

Supplementary Information

Copper-catalyzed cyanoalkylation of activated alkenes with AIBN: a convenient and efficient approach to cyano-containing oxindoles

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1. General information

All commercially available reagent grade chemicals were purchased from Aldrich, Acros, Alfa Aesar and Beijing Ouhe Chemical Company and used as received without further purification unless otherwise stated. All solvents were dried according to standard procedures. ^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR were recorded in CDCl_3 on a Bruker Avance III 400 spectrometer with TMS as internal standard (400 MHz ^1H , 100 MHz ^{13}C) at room temperature, the chemical shifts (δ) were expressed in ppm and J values were given in Hz. The following abbreviations are used to indicate the multiplicity: singlet (s), doublet (d), triplet (t), quartet (q), doublet of doublets (dd), doublet of triplets (dt), and multiplet (m). All first order splitting patterns were assigned on the basis of the appearance of the multiplet. Splitting patterns that could not be easily interpreted were designated as multiplet (m). Fourier-transform IR (FTIR) spectroscopy experiment was operated on a Nicolet IS5 spectrometer. Mass analyses and HRMS were obtained on a Finnigan-LCQDECA mass spectrometer and a Bruker Daltonics Bio-TOF-Q mass spectrometer by the ESI method, respectively. Column chromatography was performed on silica gel (200-300 mesh).

2. Optimization of the reaction conditions

Table S1. The reaction of **1a** and **2** in different conditions^a

Reaction scheme: **1a** + **2** $\xrightarrow[\text{K}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_8, \text{DMF}]{\text{Catalyst}}$ **3a**

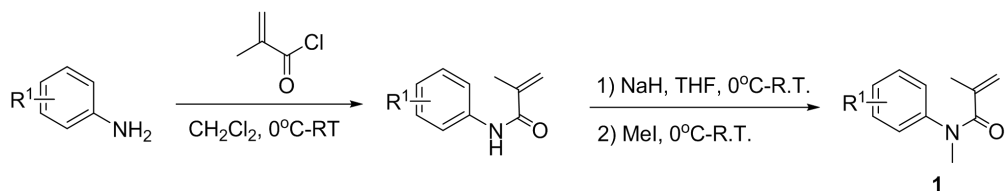
Entry	Catalyst	Oxidant	Yield (%) ^b
1	Pd(OAc) ₂ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	67
2	FeCl ₂ ·4H ₂ O (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	26
3	AgNO ₃ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	48
4	BiBr ₃ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	64
5	InCl ₃ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	25
6	NiCl ₂ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	30
7	Cu(OAc) ₂ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	80
8	CuCl (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	34
9	CuCN (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	78
10	Cu(OTf) ₂ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	63
11	CuI (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	66
12	Cu(CH ₃ CN) ₄ PF ₆ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	54
13	CuO (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	65
14	CuCl ₂ (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	48
15	CuBr (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	83
16	CuBr (2.5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	60
17	CuBr (10 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (2 equiv)	77
18	CuBr (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (1 equiv)	54
19	CuBr (5 mol%)	K ₂ S ₂ O ₈ (3 equiv)	84

^a Reaction conditions: N-aryl acrylamide **1a** (0.25 mmol), AIBN **2** (1 mmol), catalyst (2-10 mol%), oxidant (1-3 equiv), DMF (1 mL), 80°C, 24 h. ^b Isolated yields based on **1a**.

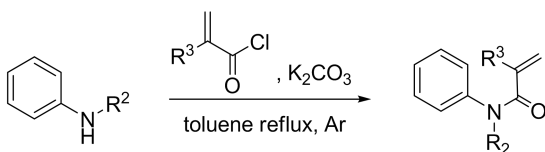
3. Typical procedures for the synthesis of substrates

N-arylacrylamides **1** were prepared according to previous literatures.^[S1,2]

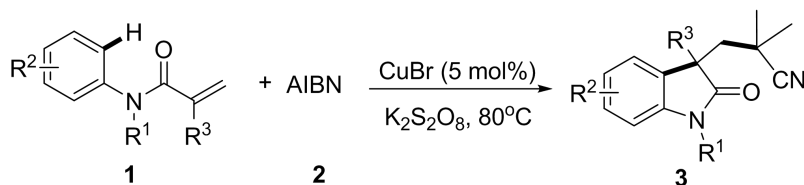
Method A: substrate **1** was prepared according to previous literature.^[S1]



Method B: Substrate **1** was prepared according to previous literature.^[S2]

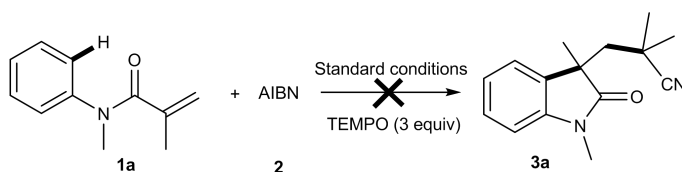


4. General procedure for direct cyanoalkylation of activated alkenes with AIBN.



To a mixture of N-arylacrylamide **1** (0.25 mmol), AIBN **2** (1 mmol), and $K_2S_2O_8$ (0.5 mmol) in a 25 mL round-bottomed flask at room temperature, was added the DMF (1 mL). The reaction vessel was allowed to stir at 80 °C for 24-36h. After the reaction, the solution was concentrated in vacuum. The resulting mixture purified by flash column chromatography using a mixture of petroleum ether and ethyl acetate as eluent to give the desired product **3**.

5. Preliminary mechanistic studies with TEMPO.



To a mixture of N-aryl acrylamide **1a** (0.25 mmol), AIBN **2** (0.75 mmol), TEMPO (0.75 mmol), $K_2S_2O_8$ (0.5 mmol), and DMF (1 mL) at room temperature. The reaction vessel was allowed to stir for 24 h at 80 °C. After the reaction, the solution was concentrated in vacuum, no desired product was detected.

6. The crystal structure of **3a**.

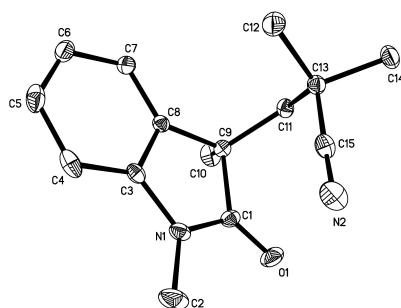


Figure S1 The crystal structure of **3a**. ORTEP drawing of $C_{15}H_{18}N_2O$ with 50% probability ellipsoids, showing the atomic numbering scheme.

Table S2. Crystal data and structure refinement for **sad**.

Identification code	sad
Empirical formula	$C_{15}H_{18}N_2O$
Formula weight	242.31
Temperature	295(2) K
Wavelength	0.71073 Å
Crystal system, space group	Orthorhombic, P212121
Unit cell dimensions	$a = 10.047(2)$ Å $\alpha = 90$ deg. $b = 11.306(2)$ Å $\beta = 90$ deg. $c = 12.199(2)$ Å $\gamma = 90$ deg.
Volume	$1385.8(5)$ Å ³
Z, Calculated density	4, 1.161 Mg/m ³
Absorption coefficient	0.074 mm ⁻¹
F(000)	520
Crystal size	0.32 x 0.30 x 0.24 mm

Theta range for data collection	2.46 to 25.98 deg.
Limiting indices	-12<=h<=12, -13<=k<=13, -15<=l<=15
Reflections collected / unique	10664 / 2721 [R(int) = 0.0254]
Completeness to theta = 25.98	100.0 %
Absorption correction	Semi-empirical from equivalents
Max. and min. transmission	0.9825 and 0.9768
Refinement method	Full-matrix least-squares on F ²
Data / restraints / parameters	2721 / 0 / 167
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.049
Final R indices [I>2sigma(I)]	R1 = 0.0434, wR2 = 0.1044
R indices (all data)	R1 = 0.0496, wR2 = 0.1083
Absolute structure parameter	0(2)
Largest diff. peak and hole	0.172 and -0.167 e.A ⁻³

Table S3. Atomic coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and equivalent isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for sad. U(eq) is defined as one third of the trace of the orthogonalized U_{ij} tensor.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
C(1)	11036(2)	9734(2)	8965(2)	51(1)
C(2)	12560(2)	10504(2)	10391(3)	91(1)
C(3)	10939(2)	8815(2)	10620(1)	46(1)
C(4)	11202(2)	8471(2)	11695(2)	67(1)
C(5)	10456(3)	7546(3)	12110(2)	79(1)
C(6)	9506(3)	6990(2)	11506(2)	75(1)
C(7)	9255(2)	7347(2)	10450(2)	59(1)

C(8)	9968(2)	8269(2)	10011(1)	42(1)
C(9)	9919(2)	8817(2)	8884(1)	43(1)
C(10)	10285(3)	7918(2)	7990(2)	70(1)
C(11)	8599(2)	9414(2)	8562(1)	48(1)
C(12)	7282(3)	9768(2)	10334(2)	79(1)
C(13)	7910(2)	10318(2)	9317(1)	48(1)
C(14)	6807(2)	10915(2)	8645(2)	67(1)
C(15)	8835(2)	11251(2)	9664(2)	55(1)
N(1)	11564(1)	9686(1)	9988(1)	54(1)
N(2)	9505(2)	11992(2)	9955(2)	84(1)
O(1)	11394(2)	10381(1)	8228(1)	80(1)

Table S4. Bond lengths [Å] and angles [deg] for sad.

C(1)-O(1)	1.214(2)
C(1)-N(1)	1.357(3)
C(1)-C(9)	1.531(2)
C(2)-N(1)	1.449(2)
C(2)-H(2A)	0.9600
C(2)-H(2B)	0.9600
C(2)-H(2C)	0.9600
C(3)-C(8)	1.372(3)
C(3)-C(4)	1.394(3)
C(3)-N(1)	1.399(2)
C(4)-C(5)	1.383(4)
C(4)-H(4)	0.9300
C(5)-C(6)	1.359(4)
C(5)-H(5)	0.9300
C(6)-C(7)	1.374(3)
C(6)-H(6)	0.9300
C(7)-C(8)	1.374(3)
C(7)-H(7)	0.9300

C(8)-C(9)	1.508(2)
C(9)-C(10)	1.536(2)
C(9)-C(11)	1.539(2)
C(10)-H(10A)	0.9600
C(10)-H(10B)	0.9600
C(10)-H(10C)	0.9600
C(11)-C(13)	1.540(2)
C(11)-H(11A)	0.9700
C(11)-H(11B)	0.9700
C(12)-C(13)	1.524(3)
C(12)-H(12A)	0.9600
C(12)-H(12B)	0.9600
C(12)-H(12C)	0.9600
C(13)-C(15)	1.468(3)
C(13)-C(14)	1.535(3)
C(14)-H(14A)	0.9600
C(14)-H(14B)	0.9600
C(14)-H(14C)	0.9600
C(15)-N(2)	1.132(3)
O(1)-C(1)-N(1)	126.11(19)
O(1)-C(1)-C(9)	125.32(19)
N(1)-C(1)-C(9)	108.56(15)
N(1)-C(2)-H(2A)	109.5
N(1)-C(2)-H(2B)	109.5
H(2A)-C(2)-H(2B)	109.5
N(1)-C(2)-H(2C)	109.5
H(2A)-C(2)-H(2C)	109.5
H(2B)-C(2)-H(2C)	109.5
C(8)-C(3)-C(4)	121.26(19)
C(8)-C(3)-N(1)	109.69(15)
C(4)-C(3)-N(1)	129.03(18)
C(5)-C(4)-C(3)	116.9(2)
C(5)-C(4)-H(4)	121.6

C(3)-C(4)-H(4)	121.6
C(6)-C(5)-C(4)	122.2(2)
C(6)-C(5)-H(5)	118.9
C(4)-C(5)-H(5)	118.9
C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	120.1(2)
C(5)-C(6)-H(6)	119.9
C(7)-C(6)-H(6)	119.9
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	119.5(2)
C(6)-C(7)-H(7)	120.3
C(8)-C(7)-H(7)	120.3
C(3)-C(8)-C(7)	120.07(18)
C(3)-C(8)-C(9)	109.40(15)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	130.49(17)
C(8)-C(9)-C(1)	101.27(14)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	111.61(15)
C(1)-C(9)-C(10)	108.55(15)
C(8)-C(9)-C(11)	116.16(14)
C(1)-C(9)-C(11)	110.53(14)
C(10)-C(9)-C(11)	108.37(15)
C(9)-C(10)-H(10A)	109.5
C(9)-C(10)-H(10B)	109.5
H(10A)-C(10)-H(10B)	109.5
C(9)-C(10)-H(10C)	109.5
H(10A)-C(10)-H(10C)	109.5
H(10B)-C(10)-H(10C)	109.5
C(9)-C(11)-C(13)	121.73(14)
C(9)-C(11)-H(11A)	106.9
C(13)-C(11)-H(11A)	106.9
C(9)-C(11)-H(11B)	106.9
C(13)-C(11)-H(11B)	106.9
H(11A)-C(11)-H(11B)	106.7
C(13)-C(12)-H(12A)	109.5
C(13)-C(12)-H(12B)	109.5

H(12A)-C(12)-H(12B)	109.5
C(13)-C(12)-H(12C)	109.5
H(12A)-C(12)-H(12C)	109.5
H(12B)-C(12)-H(12C)	109.5
C(15)-C(13)-C(12)	108.73(17)
C(15)-C(13)-C(14)	107.18(16)
C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	108.37(17)
C(15)-C(13)-C(11)	111.37(15)
C(12)-C(13)-C(11)	113.67(16)
C(14)-C(13)-C(11)	107.26(15)
C(13)-C(14)-H(14A)	109.5
C(13)-C(14)-H(14B)	109.5
H(14A)-C(14)-H(14B)	109.5
C(13)-C(14)-H(14C)	109.5
H(14A)-C(14)-H(14C)	109.5
H(14B)-C(14)-H(14C)	109.5
N(2)-C(15)-C(13)	177.1(2)
C(1)-N(1)-C(3)	111.06(14)
C(1)-N(1)-C(2)	123.8(2)
C(3)-N(1)-C(2)	124.9(2)

Symmetry transformations used to generate equivalent atoms:

Table S5. Anisotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for sad.

The anisotropic displacement factor exponent takes the form:

$-2 \pi^2 [h^2 a^{*2} U_{11} + \dots + 2 h k a^* b^* U_{12}]$

	U11	U22	U33	U23	U13	U12
C(1)	45(1)	43(1)	64(1)	0(1)	18(1)	3(1)
C(2)	59(1)	64(1)	151(2)	-27(2)	-17(2)	-14(1)
C(3)	39(1)	47(1)	51(1)	-11(1)	-3(1)	12(1)
C(4)	62(1)	85(2)	56(1)	-23(1)	-16(1)	30(1)
C(5)	84(2)	101(2)	51(1)	21(1)	16(1)	43(2)

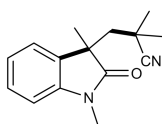
C(6)	67(1)	75(2)	82(2)	32(1)	20(1)	19(1)
C(7)	49(1)	52(1)	77(1)	13(1)	3(1)	2(1)
C(8)	37(1)	43(1)	47(1)	-1(1)	1(1)	4(1)
C(9)	47(1)	41(1)	42(1)	-5(1)	0(1)	-1(1)
C(10)	84(2)	68(1)	57(1)	-21(1)	0(1)	15(1)
C(11)	53(1)	49(1)	41(1)	-1(1)	-10(1)	0(1)
C(12)	79(2)	89(2)	70(1)	19(1)	27(1)	20(1)
C(13)	47(1)	51(1)	45(1)	2(1)	0(1)	4(1)
C(14)	56(1)	69(1)	76(2)	6(1)	-12(1)	13(1)
C(15)	59(1)	54(1)	52(1)	-12(1)	-6(1)	14(1)
N(1)	40(1)	46(1)	76(1)	-12(1)	-7(1)	-3(1)
N(2)	80(1)	71(1)	102(2)	-34(1)	-18(1)	9(1)
O(1)	74(1)	71(1)	94(1)	21(1)	34(1)	-6(1)

Table S6. Hydrogen coordinates ($\times 10^4$) and isotropic displacement parameters ($\text{\AA}^2 \times 10^3$) for sad.

	x	y	z	U(eq)
H(2A)	12904	10960	9791	137
H(2B)	13271	10070	10729	137
H(2C)	12163	11025	10920	137
H(4)	11849	8846	12115	81
H(5)	10608	7296	12825	94
H(6)	9026	6367	11808	90
H(7)	8607	6967	10035	71
H(10A)	11126	7561	8162	105
H(10B)	10346	8314	7296	105
H(10C)	9611	7317	7952	105
H(11A)	7962	8786	8427	57
H(11B)	8749	9805	7866	57
H(12A)	7968	9461	10802	119

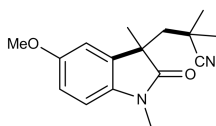
H(12B)	6699	9136	10118	119
H(12C)	6782	10358	10721	119
H(14A)	6347	11478	9095	100
H(14B)	6191	10327	8391	100
H(14C)	7194	11313	8027	100

7. Characterization data of products 3a-3t



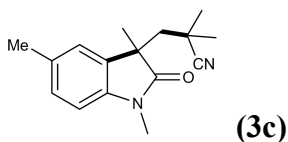
(3a)

Compound **3a** (white solid) was obtained in 83% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.35 (dt, $J_1 = 1.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.8$ Hz, 2H), 7.13 (t, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 2.36 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.18 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 179.6, 143.2, 131.0, 128.6, 124.7, 123.9, 122.5, 108.5, 47.0, 46.6, 30.7, 29.7, 27.4, 26.7, 26.4. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 3059; 2967; 2936; 2234; 1714; 1609; 1493; 1470; 1377; 1296; 1021; 878 cm^{-1} . MS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{18}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 265.1317, found 265.1316.

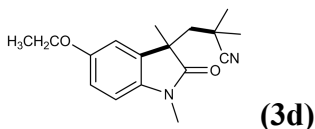


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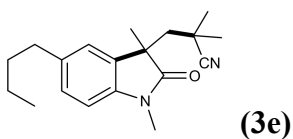
Compound **3b** (white solid) was obtained in 69% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 6.95 (d, $J = 2.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.86 (dd, $J_1 = 2.4$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.33 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.15 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 179.3, 156.0, 136.7, 132.2, 124.1, 113.2, 112.2, 108.8, 56.0, 47.4, 46.4, 30.7, 29.8, 27.5, 26.5, 26.4. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 2976; 2900; 2230; 1707; 1575; 1453; 1425; 1383; 1285; 1042; 806 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_2\text{Na}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 295.1422, found 295.1422.



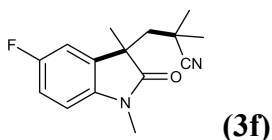
Compound **3c** (white solid) was obtained in 75% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.36 (s, 3H), 2.31 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.07 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): 179.6, 140.8, 132.0, 130.9, 128.8, 125.6, 124.1, 108.2, 47.0, 46.5, 30.8, 29.7, 27.5, 26.5, 26.4, 21.2. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max}: 3066; 2965; 2926; 2233; 1715; 1596; 1497; 1451; 1373; 1288; 1125; 837 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₀N₂ONa (M + Na)⁺ 279.1473, found 279.1471.



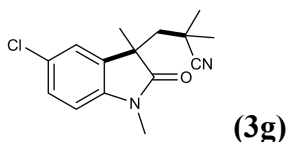
Compound **3d** (white solid) was obtained in 81% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 6.95 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.87 (dd, *J*₁ = 2.4 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 6.81 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.11-4.00 (m, 2H), 3.23 (s, 3H), 2.34 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.15 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.42 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 3H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): 179.3, 155.3, 136.6, 132.2, 124.1, 114.0, 112.8, 108.8, 64.3, 47.4, 46.5, 30.7, 29.7, 27.5, 26.6, 26.4, 14.9. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max}: 3069; 2980; 2910; 2231; 1709; 1596; 1493; 1456; 1285; 1197; 1120; 1045; 804; 693 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₇H₂₂N₂O₂Na (M + Na)⁺ 309.1579, found 309.1584.



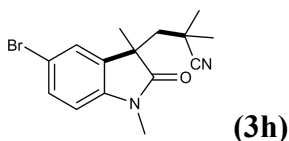
Compound **3e** (yellow oil) was obtained in 84% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.15 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.82 (d, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.62 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.16 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.63-1.57 (m, 2H), 1.40-1.34 (m, 2H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.10 (s, 3H), 0.94 (t, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): 179.7, 140.9, 137.3, 130.9, 128.3, 124.9, 124.1, 108.2, 47.1, 46.5, 35.4, 33.9, 30.8, 29.6, 27.5, 26.7, 26.4, 22.3, 13.9. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max}: 3063; 2976; 2931; 2228; 1712; 1613; 1495; 1470; 1376; 1235; 1046; 752 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₉H₂₆N₂ONa (M + Na)⁺ 321.1943, found 321.1943.



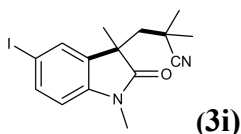
Compound **3f** (yellow oil) was obtained in 71% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.09-7.02 (m, 2H), 6.86-6.82 (m, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.34 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.13 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.12 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 179.2, 159.2 (d, $J = 239.8$ Hz), 139.1, 132.7 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz), 123.7, 114.9 (d, $J = 23.4$ Hz), 112.7 (d, $J = 24.6$ Hz), 109.0 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz), 47.4, 46.5, 30.6, 29.7, 27.3, 26.9, 26.5. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 3057; 2971; 2932; 2236; 1716; 1606; 1576; 1496; 1378; 1271; 1112; 874 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{ONaF}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 283.1223, found 283.1222.



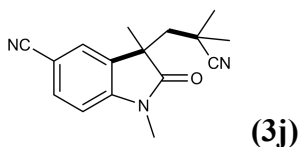
Compound **3g** (yellow oil) was obtained in 76% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.34-7.30 (m, 2H), 6.84 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 2.35 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.13 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.37 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.14 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 179.0, 141.8, 132.8, 128.5, 128.0, 125.0, 123.6, 109.4, 47.3, 46.6, 30.6, 29.6, 27.3, 27.1, 26.5. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 3060; 2968; 2951; 2233; 1716; 1604; 1580; 1455; 1370; 1127; 843 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{ONaCl}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 299.0927, found 299.0930.



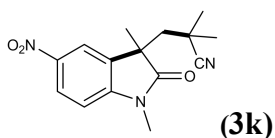
Compound **3h** (white solid) was obtained in 81% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.47 (dd, $J_1 = 1.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.43 (d, $J = 1.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.24 (s, 3H), 2.34 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.12 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 178.9, 142.3, 133.2, 131.4, 127.8, 123.6, 115.2, 110.0, 47.2, 46.6, 30.6, 29.6, 27.3, 27.2, 26.5. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 3051; 2975; 2900; 2236; 1705; 1605; 1454; 1393; 1380; 1247; 1049; 879; 808 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{ONaBr}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 343.0422, found 343.0424.



Compound **3i** (light yellow solid) was obtained in 76% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.66 (dd, $J_1 = 1.7$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.70 (d, $J = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.33 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.11 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.35 (s, 3H), 1.16 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 178.8, 143.0, 137.4, 133.6, 133.3, 123.6, 110.5, 84.9, 47.0, 46.6, 30.6, 29.6, 27.3, 27.2, 26.4. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 2993; 2972; 2900; 2234; 1707; 1602; 1453; 1406; 1393; 1241; 1050; 879 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{ONaI}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 391.0283, found 391.0283.

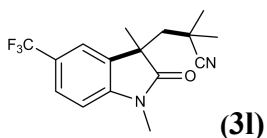


Compound **3j** (white solid) was obtained in 76% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.60 (dd, $J_1 = 1.3$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.49 (s, 1H), 6.91 (d, $J = 8.1$ Hz, 1H), 3.21 (s, 3H), 2.29 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1H), 2.08 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 1H), 1.32 (s, 3H), 1.09 (s, 3H), 1.08 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 179.2, 147.2, 133.9, 132.2, 127.8, 123.3, 119.0, 109.0, 105.7, 46.9, 46.6, 30.5, 29.7, 27.5, 27.2, 26.6. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 3055; 2971; 2215; 1719; 1610; 1497; 1459; 1341; 1182; 1049; 825 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{ONa}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 290.1269, found 290.1266.

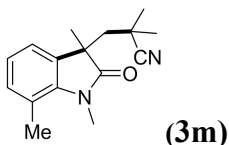


Compounds **3k** (white solid) was obtained in 69% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 8.34 (dd, $J_1 = 2.2$ Hz, $J_2 = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, $J = 2.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, $J = 8.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.34 (s, 3H), 2.39 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.23 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.44 (s, 3H), 1.19 (s, 3H), 1.18 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 179.6, 148.9, 143.4, 132.0, 125.9, 123.3, 120.3, 108.2, 47.1, 46.6, 30.5, 29.7, 27.5, 27.2, 26.8. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 3060; 2987; 2942; 2228; 1724; 1599; 1514; 1457; 1294; 1114; 1044; 831 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_3\text{O}_3\text{Na}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$) $^+$ 310.1168,

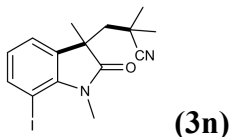
found 310.1171.



Compounds **3l** (white solid) were obtained in 72% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.55 (s, 1H), 7.00 (d, *J* = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 2.38 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.40 (s, 3H), 1.15 (s, 3H), 1.14 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 179.5, 146.2, 131.7, 126.3 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 124.7 (d, *J* = 32.6 Hz), 124.4 (d, *J* = 269.9 Hz), 123.5, 121.6 (d, *J* = 4.3 Hz), 108.3, 47.0, 46.6, 30.6, 29.5, 27.3, 27.2, 26.6. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max}: 3029; 2979; 2931; 2236; 1715; 1605; 1506; 1455; 1326; 1173; 1057; 832 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₁₇N₂F₃ONa (M + Na)⁺ 333.1191, found 333.1190.

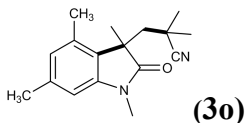


Compound **3m** (light yellow oil) was obtained in 61% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 7.07 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (t, *J* = 7.4 Hz, 1H), 3.54 (s, 3H), 2.62 (s, 3H), 2.34 (d, *J* = 14.5 Hz, 1H), 2.14 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.34 (s, 3H), 1.16 (s, 3H), 1.12 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): 180.3, 141.0, 132.3, 131.6, 123.9, 122.5, 122.3, 120.1, 46.8, 46.3, 30.7, 29.7, 29.6, 27.8, 26.9, 19.1. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max}: 2973; 2929; 2870; 2239; 1711; 1656; 1600; 1459; 1273; 1072; 748 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₁₆H₂₀N₂ONa (M + Na)⁺ 279.1473, found 279.1471.

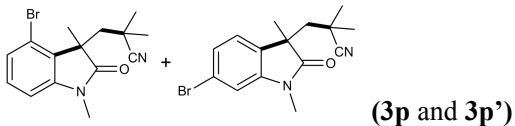


Compound **3n** (yellow oil) was obtained in 70% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.75 (dd, *J*₁ = 1.1 Hz, *J*₂ = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (dd, *J*₁ = 1.1 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (t, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 2.34 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 2.17 (d, *J* = 14.6 Hz, 1H), 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.10 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): 180.4, 143.5, 141.3, 133.9, 124.5, 124.2, 123.9, 71.9, 46.6, 46.5, 30.6, 30.4, 29.8, 27.8, 26.4. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max}: 2973; 2931; 2230; 1719; 1656; 1576;

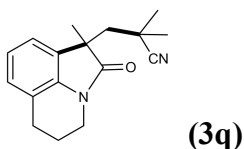
1454; 1363; 1059; 1014; 764 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{ONaI}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$)⁺ 391.0283, found 391.0278.



Compounds **3o** (yellow oil) were obtained in 75% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 6.71 (s, 1H), 6.60 (s, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 2.42 (s, 3H), 2.38 (s, 3H), 2.36 (d, $J = 15.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.28 (d, $J = 15.2$ Hz, 1H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3) δ 180.0, 143.4, 138.6, 135.5, 125.9, 125.2, 123.6, 107.2, 47.4, 45.2, 30.9, 29.2, 26.4, 26.3, 24.8, 21.6, 18.8. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 2985; 2932; 2875; 2233; 1716; 1606; 1578; 1455; 1381; 1126; 1058; 837 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{ONa}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$)⁺ 293.1630, found 293.1628.

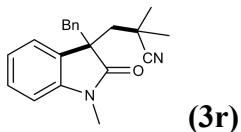


Compounds **3p** and **3p'** (light yellow oil) were obtained in 70% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.25 (d, $J = 1.7$ Hz, 0.33H), 7.22 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.21 (s, 1.33H), 7.07 (d, $J = 1.6$ Hz, 0.33H), 6.87 (dd, $J_1 = 2.9$ Hz, $J_2 = 5.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.24 (s, 1H), 2.70 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.34 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 0.33 H), 2.17 (d, $J = 14.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.16 (d, $J = 14.7$ Hz, 0.33H), 1.52 (s, 3H), 1.34 (s, 1H), 1.21 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 1H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 1.10 (s, 1H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 179.5, 178.8, 145.3, 144.5, 130.1, 129.4, 126.9, 126.0, 125.3, 123.9, 123.3, 122.2, 120.5, 112.1, 107.7, 49.0, 46.9, 46.3, 43.7, 30.7, 30.6, 28.3, 28.1, 27.4, 26.6, 26.5, 25.8, 23.5, 22.9. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 2962; 2928; 2858; 2236; 1722; 1604; 1545; 1456; 1287; 1072; 764 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{17}\text{N}_2\text{OBrNa}$ ($\text{M} + \text{Na}$)⁺ 343.0422, found 343.0428.

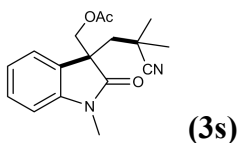


Compound **3q** (yellow oil) was obtained in 77% yield according to the general procedure (36h). ¹H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.17 (d, $J = 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.10 (d, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.01 (d, $J = 7.5$ Hz, 1H), 3.80-3.72 (m, 2H), 2.88-2.78 (m, 2H), 2.35 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz,

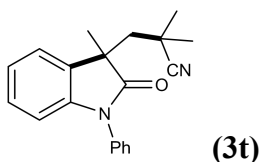
1H), 2.16 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.08-2.02 (m, 2H), 1.38 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.14 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 178.5, 139.0, 129.5, 127.3, 124.0, 122.6, 121.8, 120.6, 48.3, 46.5, 39.0, 30.8, 29.6, 27.2, 26.9, 24.6, 21.1. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 2973; 2929; 2875; 2230; 1710; 1600; 1482; 1454; 1354; 1241; 1168; 751 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O} \text{ Na (M + Na)}^+$ 291.1473, found 291.1472.



Compound **3r** (white solid) was obtained in 72% yield according to the general procedure (36h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.37 (d, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.26 (t, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.14-7.02 (m, 4H), 6.74 (d, $J = 7.1$ Hz, 2H), 6.62 (d, $J = 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 3.06 (d, $J = 12.5$ Hz, 1H), 2.97 (d, $J = 12.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.94 (s, 3H), 2.48 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 2.37 (d, $J = 14.6$ Hz, 1H), 1.27 (s, 3H), 1.11 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 178.1, 143.8, 134.3, 130.0, 128.7, 127.8, 127.4, 126.7, 126.0, 124.3, 121.9, 108.1, 53.1, 46.8, 45.1, 30.8, 30.0, 26.5, 25.9. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 3058; 2973; 2931; 2228; 1706; 1612; 1495; 1471; 1377; 1259; 1184; 1086; 916; 879 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{ONa (M + Na)}^+$ 341.1630, found 341.1624.



Compound **3s** (yellow oil) was obtained in 74% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.40-7.36 (m, 2H), 7.11 (dt, $J_1 = 0.8$ Hz, $J_2 = 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 6.93 (d, $J = 8.3$ Hz, 1H), 4.37 (d, $J = 10.6$ Hz, 1H), 4.02 (d, $J = 10.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 2.31 (s, 2H), 1.93 (s, 3H), 1.20 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 3H); ^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 100 MHz, ppm): 176.4, 170.2, 144.0, 129.4, 126.4, 125.9, 123.7, 122.5, 108.6, 68.5, 51.0, 41.7, 30.4, 29.8, 26.8, 26.5, 20.5. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max} : 2973; 2920; 2853; 2236; 1716; 1577; 1494; 1471; 1375; 1234; 1045; 755 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{20}\text{N}_2\text{O}_3\text{Na (M + Na)}^+$ 323.1372, found 323.1377.



Compound **3t** (white solid) was obtained in 75% yield according to the general procedure (24h). ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 400 MHz, ppm): δ 7.55 (t, *J* = 7.8 Hz, 2H), 7.48-7.22 (m, 4H), 7.29 (dt, *J*₁ = 1.2 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.18 (dt, *J*₁ = 0.8 Hz, *J*₂ = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 2.45 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 2.32 (d, *J* = 14.7 Hz, 1H), 1.51 (s, 3H), 1.31 (s, 3H), 1.23 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 100 MHz, ppm): 179.0, 143.3, 134.5, 130.7, 129.6, 128.5, 128.1, 126.3, 125.1, 124.2, 122.9, 109.9, 47.2, 46.5, 30.9, 29.9, 28.3, 26.5. IR (film, KBr) ν_{max}: 3052; 2979; 2912; 2233; 1705; 1609; 1502; 1466; 1368; 1208; 1024; 755 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) calcd for C₂₀H₂₀N₂ONa (M + Na)⁺ 327.1473, found 327.1471.

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9. Copies of NMR Spectra for 3a–3t

