

Supporting Information

Facile Synthesis of Isoquinolines and Isoquinoline *N*-Oxides *via* a Copper-Catalyzed Intramolecular Cyclization in Water

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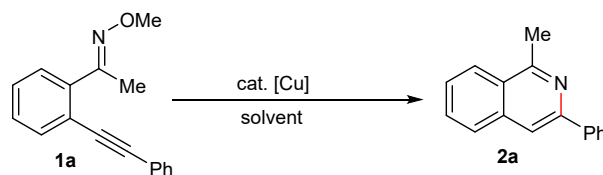
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A. General methods

^1H , ^{13}C and ^{19}F NMR spectra were recorded at 400 MHz NMR spectrometer using CDCl_3 or $\text{DMSO-}d_6$ as solvent and TMS as an internal standard. Multiplicity was indicated as follows: s (singlet), d (doublet), t (triplet), q (quartet), m (multiplet). Coupling constants were reported in Hertz (Hz). IR spectra were obtained with an infrared spectrometer on either potassium bromide pellets or liquid films between two potassium bromide pellets. HRMS was carried out on a high-resolution mass spectrometer (LCMS-IT-TOF). Melting points were measured using a melting point instrument and were uncorrected. TLC was performed using commercially available 100–400 mesh silica gel plates (GF254). X-ray structural analyses were conducted on an X-ray analysis instrument. Unless otherwise stated, all reagents and solvents were purchased from commercial suppliers and used without further purification.

B. Optimization of Reaction Conditions

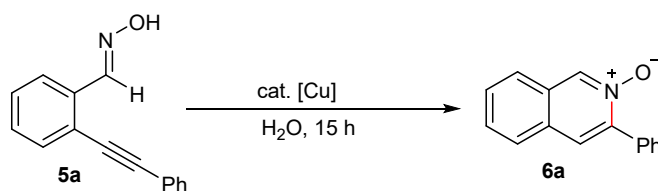
Table S1. Optimization of the Reaction Conditions for the Synthesis of Isoquinolines. ^[a]



Entry	[Cu]	Solvent	Time (h)	Yield ^b (%)
1	CuI (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	12	91
2	CuI (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	95
3	CuI (5 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	88
4	CuI (2.5 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	76
5	—	H ₂ O	15	NR
6	CuBr (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	73
7	CuCl (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	46
8	CuBr ₂ (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	43
9	Cu(OAc) ₂ (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	NR
10 ^c	CuI (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	48
11 ^d	CuI (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	7	92
12 ^e	CuI (10 mol%)	H ₂ O	15	95
13	CuI (10 mol%)	1,4-dioxane	12	87
14	CuI (10 mol%)	toluene	12	28
15	CuI (10 mol%)	EtOH	12	65
16	CuI (10 mol%)	AcOH	12	Trace

^aReaction condition: **1a** (0.5 mmol), [Cu] (10 mol%), and solvent (2 mL) at 80 °C in a sealed tube, and reaction time as specified. ^bIsolated yields. ^c70 °C. ^d90 °C. ^eUnder the nitrogen atmosphere.

Table S2. Optimization of the Reaction Conditions^a for the Synthesis of Isoquinoline N-Oxides. [^a]

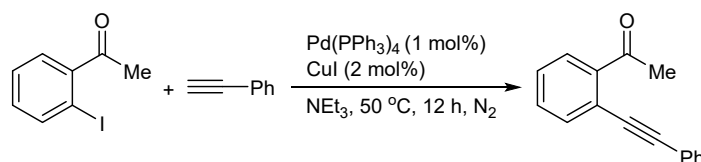


Entry	[Cu]	Temperature (°C)	Time (h)	Yield ^b (%)
1	CuI	50	15	NR
2	CuI	70	15	85
3		70	15	NR
4	CuBr	70	15	51
5	CuCl	70	15	35
6	CuBr ₂	70	15	70
7 ^c	CuI	70	15	84

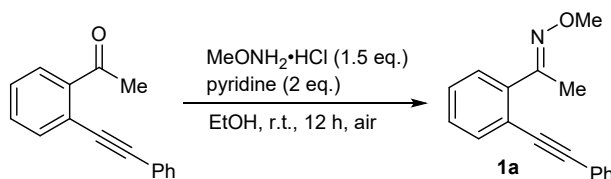
^aReaction condition: **1a** (0.5 mmol), [Cu] (10 mol%), and solvent (2 mL) at 70 °C in a sealed tube, and reaction time as specified. ^bIsolated yields. ^cUnder the nitrogen atmosphere.

C. General Procedure for the Synthesis of Starting Materials

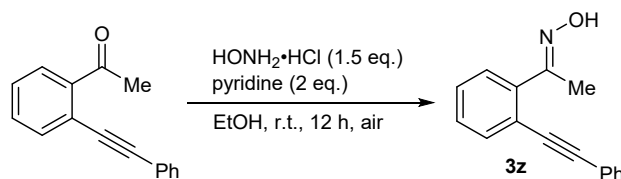
Unless otherwise specified, (*E*)-2-alkynylaryl oxime derivatives (**1a**, **1v** and **5z** were selected as examples) were synthesized *via* the following step:



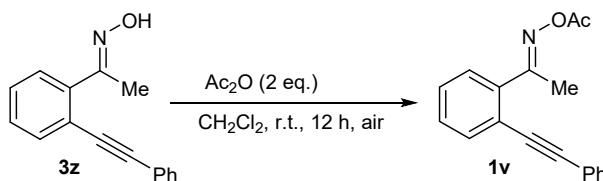
Under the nitrogen atmosphere, 2'-iodoacetophenone (2.46 g, 10 mmol), phenylacetylene (1.12 g, 11 mmol), Pd(PPh₃)₄ (116 mg, 0.1 mmol), CuI (38 mg, 0.2 mmol), and triethylamine (20 mL) were added in sequence, and then stirred at 50 °C for 12 h. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was quenched with an aqueous solution of saturated NH₄Cl and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain a yellow liquid (2.06 g, 93%).



1-[2-(2-Phenylethynyl)phenyl]ethanone (1.10 g, 5 mmol) was first dissolved in ethanol (10 mL). Then, pyridine (791 mg, 10 mmol) and methoxyammonium chloride (626 mg, 7.5 mmol) were added to the resulting solution subsequently and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain a yellow liquid **1a** (935 mg, 75%).

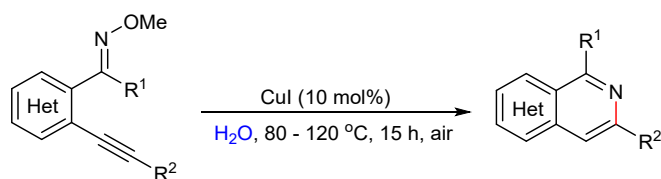


1-[2-(2-Phenylethynyl)phenyl]ethanone (881 mg, 4 mmol) was first dissolved in ethanol (8 mL). Then, pyridine (633 mg, 8 mmol) and hydroxylamine hydrochloride (417 mg, 6 mmol) were added to the resulting solution subsequently and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain a white solid **5z** (894 mg, 95%).



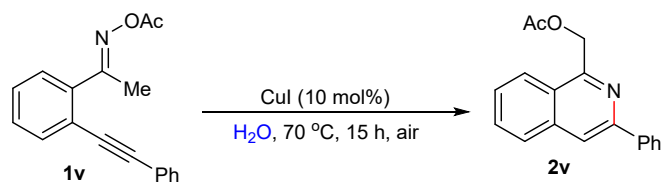
Compound **5z** (471 mg, 2 mmol) was first dissolved in dichloromethane (5 mL). Then, acetic anhydride (408 mg, 4 mmol) was added to the resulting solution and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Subsequently, water (5 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain a white solid **5z** (521 mg, 94%).

D. General Procedure for the Synthesis of Isoquinolines and Isoquinoline *N*-Oxides

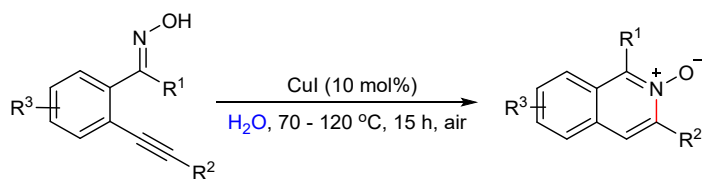


The (*E*)-2-alkynylaryl ketone *O*-methyl oximes **1a-1u** (0.5 mmol) or (*E*)-2-alkynylaryl aldehyde *O*-

methyl oximes **1aa-1ah** (0.5 mmol), CuI (9.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), and H₂O (2 mL) were added to a tube equipped with a stir bar and stirred at 80-100 °C for 15 h. Then the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to afford the desired products **2a-2u** and **2aa-2ah**.

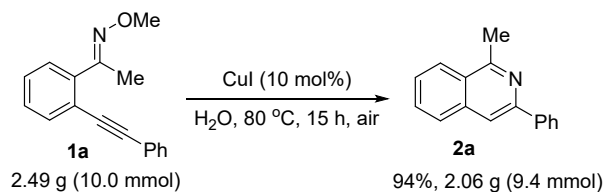


The *N*-Acetoxy imine **1v** (139 mg, 0.5 mmol), CuI (9.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), and H₂O (2 mL) were added to a tube equipped with a stir bar and stirred at 70 °C for 15 h. Then the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to afford the desired product **2v**.



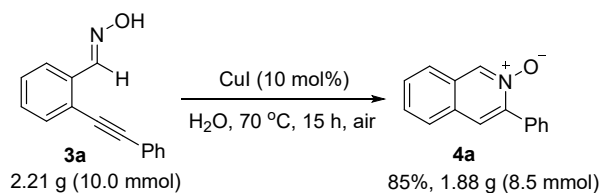
The (*E*)-2-alkynylaryl oximes **3a-3z** (0.5 mmol), CuI (9.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), and H₂O (2 mL) were added to a tube equipped with a stir bar and stirred at 70-120 °C for 15 h. Then the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with ethyl acetate as eluent to afford the desired products **4a-4z**.

E. Gram Scale Experiments



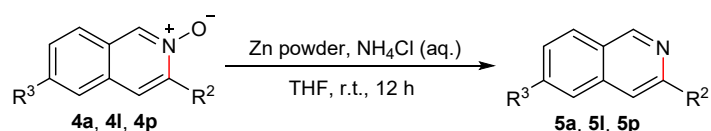
The (*E*)-2-alkynylaryl ketone *O*-methyl oxime **1a** (2.49 g, 10 mmol), CuI (190 mg, 1 mmol), and H₂O (20 mL) were added to a tube equipped with a stir bar and stirred at 80 °C for 15 h. Then the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as

eluent to afford the desired products **2a** (2.06 g, 94%).



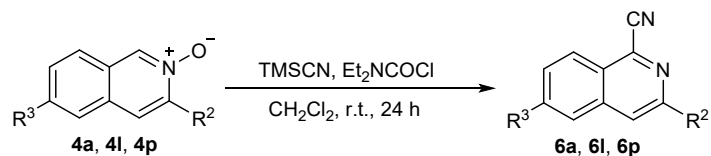
The (*E*)-2-alkynylaryl oxime **3a** (2.21 g, 10 mmol), CuI (190 mg, 1 mmol), and H₂O (20 mL) were added to a tube equipped with a stir bar and stirred at 70 °C for 15 h. Then the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with ethyl acetate as eluent to afford the desired products **4a** (1.88 g, 85%).

F. Synthetic Procedure for **5a**, **5l**, and **5p**



Isoquinoline *N*-oxides (0.2 mmol) was first dissolved in THF (2 mL). Then, Zn powder (131 mg, 2 mmol) and an aqueous solution of saturated NH₄Cl (2 mL) were added to the resulting solution subsequently and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na₂SO₄, filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain isoquinolines **5a**, **5l**, and **5p**.

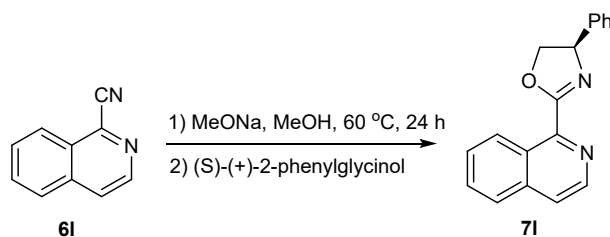
G. Synthetic Procedure for **6a**, **6l**, and **6p**



The **4a**, **4l** and **4p** were prepared according to the reported procedure [Org. Chem. Front., 2015, 2, 819–822.]. To a solution of isoquinoline *N*-oxides (0.5 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) was added trimethylsilyl cyanide (248 mg, 2.5 mmol). Then a solution of diethylcarbonyl chloride (339 mg, 2.5 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was slowly added in 10 min, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h. After K₂CO₃ (10 mL, 10 % aq.) was added, the mixture was extracted several times with CH₂Cl₂. The combined organic phases were washed with water and then dried over Na₂SO₄. The organic phase was concentrated and

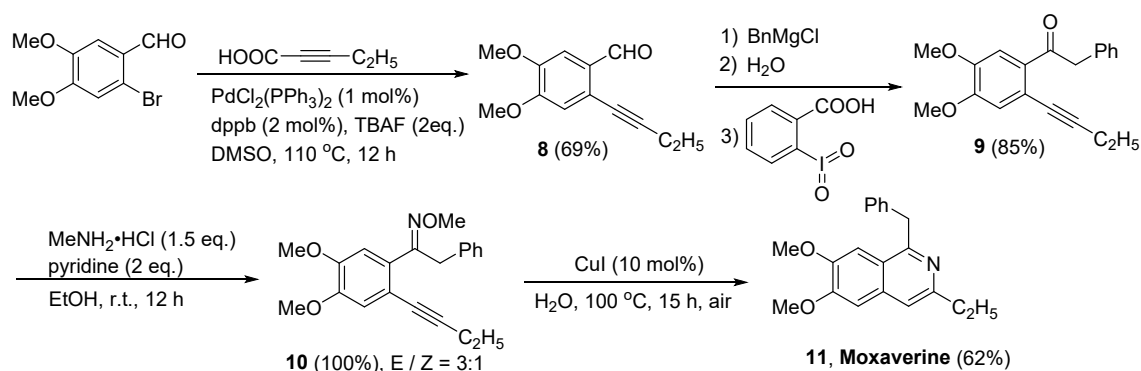
purified by silica gel chromatography to afford the products **6a**, **6l** and **6p**.

H. Synthetic Procedure for **7l**



The **6l** was prepared according to the reported procedure [Org. Chem. Front., 2015, 2, 819–822.]. To a stirred solution of **6l** (154 mg, 1 mmol) in MeOH (5 mL), NaOMe (18 mg, 0.3 mmol) was added under nitrogen. The mixture was stirred at 60 °C for 24 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum, and the residue was then dissolved in 10 mL of ethyl acetate and then washed with water and brine. The organic phase was separated and dried over Na₂SO₄. After removal of the solvent, the crude product was dissolved in dry THF (5 mL). (S)-(+)-2-Phenylglycinol (137 mg, 1 mmol) and HCl (1 drop, 33% aq.) were added, and the mixture was refluxed under nitrogen atmosphere. After 12 h, the mixture was diluted with water (20 mL) and extracted with ethyl acetate. The combined organic phases were washed with water and then dried over Na₂SO₄. After the removal of solvent under reduced pressure, the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography to afford product **7l** as a pale-yellow oil (82 mg, 30%).

I. Synthetic Procedure for Moxaverine



The alkyne **8** was prepared according to the reported procedure [Angew. Chem. 2015, 127, 13115–13119.]. To a 50 mL Schlenk tube, 6-bromoveratraldehyde (2.45 g, 10.0 mmol), 2-pentynoic acid (1.03 g, 10.5 mmol), PdCl₂(PPh₃)₂ (70 mg, 0.1 mmol), 1,4-bis(diphenylphosphino)butane (dppb) (85 mg, 0.2 mmol), TBAF (1 M in THF, 20 mL, 20 mmol), and DMSO (15 mL) were added. The resulting mixture was stirred under nitrogen at 110 °C for 12 h. After cooling to room temperature, the reaction mixture was quenched with an aqueous

solution of saturated NH_4Cl and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain alkyne **8** as a yellow liquid (1.51 g, 69%).

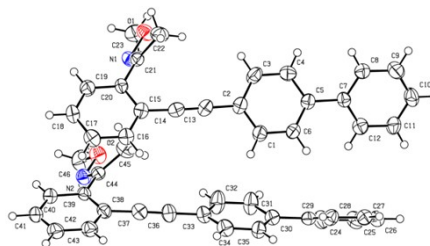
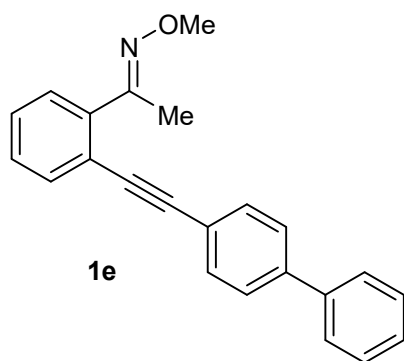
Under the nitrogen atmosphere, benzylmagnesium chloride (1.0 M in THF, 6.0 mL, 6.0 mmol) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of alkyne **8** (1.09 g, 5 mmol) in THF (10 mL) at $-40\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. After 30 min, the reaction was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 12 h. The reaction mixture was quenched with an aqueous solution of saturated NH_4Cl and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was then dissolved in DMSO (15 mL). 2-Iodoxybenzoic acid (1.40 g, 5 mmol) was added, and the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Then the reaction mixture was diluted with an aqueous solution of saturated NH_4Cl and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain a white solid **9** (1.31 g, 85 %).

The intermediate product **9** (1.23 g, 4 mmol) was first dissolved in ethanol (10 mL). Then, pyridine (633 mg, 8 mmol) and methoxyammonium chloride (501 mg, 6 mmol) were added to the resulting solution subsequently and the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 12 h. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with water and brine, then dried over Na_2SO_4 , filtered and concentrated under reduced pressure. The crude product was further purified through column chromatography to obtain a yellow liquid **10** (1.35 g, 100%, $E/Z=3:1$).

The 2-alkynylaryl ketone *O*-methyl oxime **10** (169 mg, 0.5 mmol), CuI (9.5 mg, 0.05 mmol), and H_2O (2 mL) were added to a tube equipped with a stir bar and stirred at $100\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 15 h. Then the reaction mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate, dried over anhydrous Na_2SO_4 , filtered, and evaporated under vacuum. The crude product was purified by column chromatography on silica gel with petroleum ether/ethyl acetate as eluent to afford the moxaverine as a pale-yellow oil (72 mg, 62%).

J. Crystal structure determination

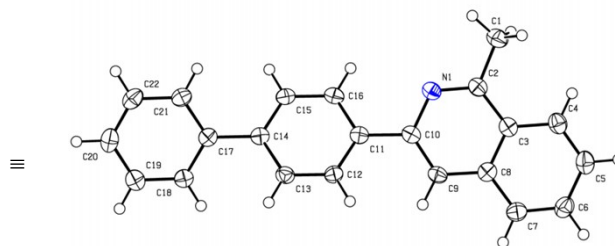
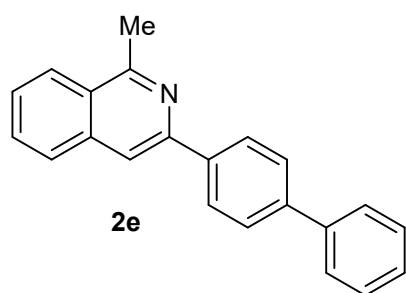
I. ORTEP representation with 50% probability thermal ellipsoids. Crystal data have been deposited to CCDC, number 2097802.



X-ray of **1e**
CCDC 2097802

Empirical formula	C ₂₃ H ₁₉ NO
Formula weight	325.39
Temperature/K	170.0
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P-1
a/Å	10.4869(10)
b/Å	10.7023(11)
c/Å	16.7778(18)
α/°	85.624(3)
β/°	82.721(3)
γ/°	72.345(3)
Volume/Å ³	1778.5(3)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /g/cm ³	1.215
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.074
F(000)	688.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.11 × 0.04 × 0.02
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	3.998 to 50.052
Index ranges	-11 ≤ h ≤ 12, -12 ≤ k ≤ 12, -19 ≤ l ≤ 19
Reflections collected	18380
Independent reflections	6253 [R _{int} = 0.1167, R _{sigma} = 0.1498]
Data/restraints/parameters	6253/0/455
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.030
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0766, wR ₂ = 0.1380
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Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.24/-0.25

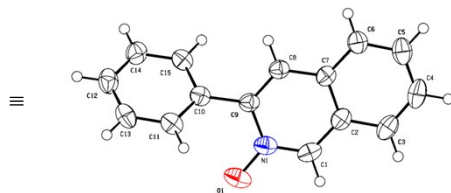
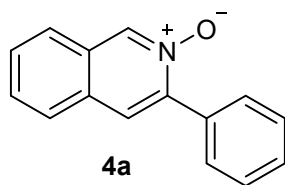
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X-ray of **2e**
CCDC 2095902

Empirical formula	C ₂₂ H ₁₇ N
Formula weight	295.36
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Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	P2 ₁ /n
a/Å	7.0452(9)
b/Å	9.2637(12)
c/Å	23.462(4)
α/°	90
β/°	90.102(2)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	1531.2(4)
Z	4
ρ _{calc} /cm ³	1.281
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.074
F(000)	624.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.15 × 0.08 × 0.05
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	4.728 to 52.962
Index ranges	-8 ≤ h ≤ 8, -10 ≤ k ≤ 11, -29 ≤ l ≤ 27
Reflections collected	11289
Independent reflections	3117 [R _{int} = 0.0581, R _{sigma} = 0.0586]
Data/restraints/parameters	3117/0/209
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.021
Final R indexes [I ≥ 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0506, wR ₂ = 0.1114
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Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.21/-0.20

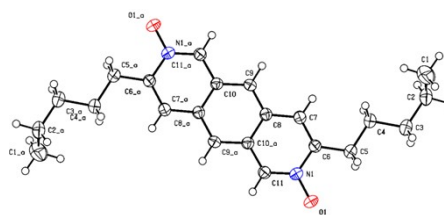
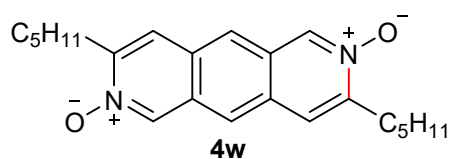
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X-ray of 4a
CCDC 2128901

Empirical formula	C ₁₅ H ₁₁ NO
Formula weight	221.25
Temperature/K	170.0
Crystal system	monoclinic
Space group	C2/c
a/Å	18.473(2)
b/Å	6.0831(6)
c/Å	19.451(2)
α/°	90
β/°	100.583(6)
γ/°	90
Volume/Å ³	2148.5(4)
Z	8
ρ _{calc} /g/cm ³	1.368
μ/mm ⁻¹	0.086
F(000)	928.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.12 × 0.08 × 0.05
Radiation	MoKα (λ = 0.71073)
2θ range for data collection/°	4.26 to 53.03
Index ranges	-22 ≤ h ≤ 22, -7 ≤ k ≤ 6, -24 ≤ l ≤ 23
Reflections collected	9320
Independent reflections	2200 [R _{int} = 0.0738, R _{sigma} = 0.0702]
Data/restraints/parameters	2200/0/154
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.033
Final R indexes [I >= 2σ (I)]	R ₁ = 0.0617, wR ₂ = 0.1386
Final R indexes [all data]	R ₁ = 0.1303, wR ₂ = 0.1769
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.18/-0.20

II. ORTEP representation with 50% probability thermal ellipsoids. Crystal data have been deposited to CCDC, number 2142641.

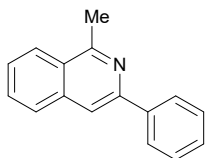


X-ray of **4w**
CCDC 2142641

Empirical formula	$C_{22}H_{28}N_2O_2$
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Temperature/K	150.0
Crystal system	trigonal
Space group	R-3
a/Å	22.8147(12)
b/Å	22.8147(12)
c/Å	10.5217(7)
$\alpha/^\circ$	90
$\beta/^\circ$	90
$\gamma/^\circ$	120
Volume/Å ³	4742.9(6)
Z	9
$\rho_{\text{calc}}/\text{g/cm}^3$	1.111
μ/mm^{-1}	0.071
F(000)	1710.0
Crystal size/mm ³	0.15 × 0.06 × 0.04
Radiation	MoK α ($\lambda = 0.71073$)
2 Θ range for data collection/ $^\circ$	4.386 to 52.918
Index ranges	-26 ≤ h ≤ 28, -28 ≤ k ≤ 26, -13 ≤ l ≤ 13
Reflections collected	13322
Independent reflections	2167 [$R_{\text{int}} = 0.0801$, $R_{\text{sigma}} = 0.0566$]
Data/restraints/parameters	2167/0/119
Goodness-of-fit on F ²	1.020
Final R indexes [$I \geq 2\sigma(I)$]	$R_1 = 0.0565$, $wR_2 = 0.1309$
Final R indexes [all data]	$R_1 = 0.1042$, $wR_2 = 0.1559$
Largest diff. peak/hole / e Å ⁻³	0.26/-0.24

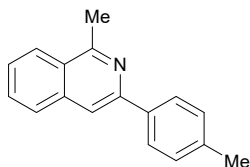
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1-methyl-3-phenylisoquinoline (2a)



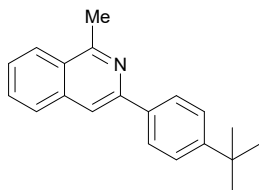
Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Pale yellow solid (104 mg, 95 % yield, known product), mp 46 - 48 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.17 - 8.19 (m, 2H), 8.13 - 8.16 (m, 1H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.86 - 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.67 - 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.57 - 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.52 - 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.46 (m, 1H), 3.08 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.6, 150.0, 139.9, 136.8, 130.0, 128.8, 128.3, 127.7, 127.0, 126.8, 126.6, 125.7, 115.3, 22.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3058, 2922, 1567, 1387, 1278, 745, 690 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₆H₁₄N [M+H]⁺ 220.1121; found 220.1119.

1-methyl-3-(p-tolyl)isoquinoline (2b)



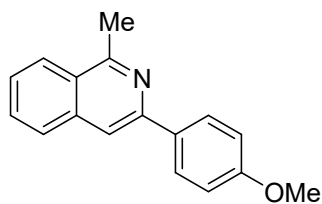
Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Pale yellow oil (114 mg, 98 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.13 - 8.15 (m, 1H), 8.05 - 8.09 (m, 2H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.85 - 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.66 - 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.55 - 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.32 - 7.35 (m, 2H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 2.46 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.5, 150.1, 138.2, 137.1, 136.8, 130.0, 129.5, 127.6, 126.9, 126.6, 126.5, 125.6, 114.7, 22.7, 21.3 ppm; IR (KBr): 3058, 2921, 1567, 1441, 821, 749 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₇H₁₆N [M+H]⁺ 234.1277; found 234.1276.

3-(4-(t-butyl)phenyl)-1-methylisoquinoline (2c)



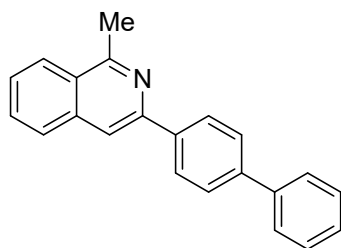
Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Pale yellow oil (125 mg, 91 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.13 - 8.16 (m, 1H), 8.06 - 8.10 (m, 2H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.86 - 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.66 - 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.60 (m, 3H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 9H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.5, 151.4, 150.2, 137.1, 136.8, 129.9, 127.6, 126.7, 126.6, 126.5, 125.69, 125.66, 114.9, 34.7, 31.4, 22.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3059, 2957, 1566, 1267, 835, 747 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₂₀H₂₂N [M+H]⁺ 276.1747; found 276.1744.

3-(4-methoxyphenyl)-1-methylisoquinoline (2d)



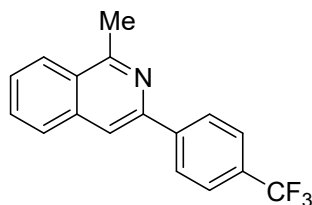
Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Pale yellow solid (116 mg, 93 % yield, known product), mp 58 - 60 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.10 - 8.14 (m, 3H), 7.83 - 7.86 (m, 2H), 7.65 - 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.04 - 7.07 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H), 3.05 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.0, 158.4, 149.8, 136.9, 132.6, 130.0, 128.2, 127.5, 126.4, 126.3, 125.7, 114.1, 55.4, 22.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3060, 2953, 1511, 1246, 831, 750 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₇H₁₆NO [M+H]⁺ 250.1226; found 250.1225.

3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)-1-methylisoquinoline (2e)



Reaction temperature was 120 °C. Pale yellow solid (126 mg, 85 % yield, known product), mp 145 - 147 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.24 - 8.27 (m, 2H), 8.15 - 8.18 (m, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.89 - 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.75 - 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.69 - 7.73 (m, 3H), 7.58 - 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.48 - 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.38 - 7.42 (m, 1H), 3.09 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.7, 149.6, 141.1, 140.9, 138.8, 136.8, 130.1, 128.8, 127.7, 127.5, 127.38, 127.36, 127.1, 126.8, 126.7, 125.7, 115.1, 22.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3058, 2921, 1567, 1440, 840, 730 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₂₂H₁₈N [M+H]⁺ 296.1434; found 296.1432.

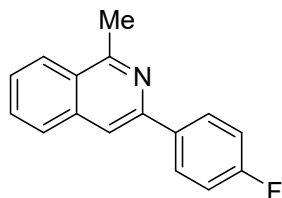
1-methyl-3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isoquinoline (2f)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale yellow oil (89 mg, 62 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.26 - 8.28 (m, 2H), 8.14 - 8.17 (m, 1H), 7.97 (s, 1H), 7.87 - 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.75 - 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.70 - 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.61 - 7.65 (m, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.0, 148.3, 143.2 (q, *J* = 1.8 Hz), 136.6, 130.3, 130.1 (q, *J* = 32.1 Hz), 127.8, 127.4, 127.2, 127.0, 125.7, 125.6 (q, *J* = 3.7 Hz), 124.4 (q, *J* = 270.3 Hz), 116.0, 22.6 ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃): δ -62.4 ppm; IR (KBr): 3065, 2925,

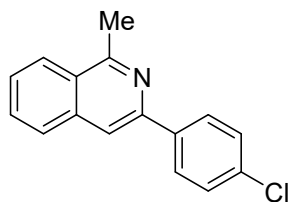
2854, 1619, 1571, 1324, 1121, 842, 747 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{F}_3\text{N}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 288.0995; found 288.0992.

3-(4-fluorophenyl)-1-methylisoquinoline (2g)



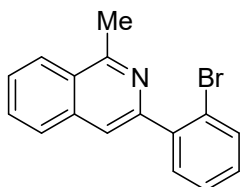
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale yellow solid (106 mg, 89 % yield, known product), mp 75 – 77 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.12 - 8.16 (m, 3H), 7.85 - 7.88 (m, 2H), 7.67 - 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.57 - 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.17 - 7.23 (m, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 163.2 (d, $J = 245.8$ Hz), 158.7, 149.0, 136.8, 136.0 (d, $J = 3.0$ Hz), 130.1, 128.7 (m, $J = 8.1$ Hz), 127.6, 126.9, 126.5, 125.7, 115.6 (d, $J = 21.4$ Hz), 114.9, 22.7 ppm; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): δ -114.2 ppm; IR (KBr): 3051, 2924, 1510, 1228, 835, 723 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{FN}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 238.1027; found 238.1024.

3-(4-chlorophenyl)-1-methylisoquinoline (2h)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale yellow solid (94 mg, 74 % yield, known product), mp 50 - 52 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.09 - 8.14 (m, 3H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.84 - 7.87 (m, 1H), 7.67 - 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.57 - 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.46 - 7.50 (m, 2H), 3.05 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 158.7, 148.7, 138.3, 136.7, 134.3, 130.2, 128.9, 128.2, 127.6, 127.0, 126.7, 125.7, 115.1, 22.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3063, 2921, 1568, 1281, 838, 749 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{ClN}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 254.0731; found 254.0728.

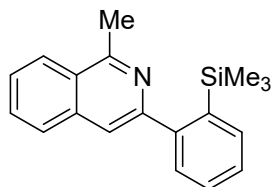
3-(2-bromophenyl)-1-methylisoquinoline (2i)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale yellow oil (112 mg, 75 % yield, new product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.19 - 8.21 (m, 1H), 7.88 - 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.71 - 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.63 - 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.45 (td, $J = 1.2, 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.25 - 7.29 (m, 1H), 3.06 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 158.4, 150.7, 141.6, 135.9, 133.3, 131.8, 130.2, 129.3, 127.7, 127.5, 127.3, 126.5, 125.7, 122.4, 119.8, 22.5 ppm; IR

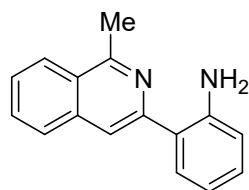
(KBr): 3060, 2922, 1566, 1437, 1389, 1261, 754 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{13}\text{BrN}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 298.0226; found 298.0223.

1-methyl-3-(2-(trimethylsilyl)phenyl)isoquinoline (2j)



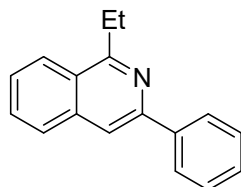
Reaction temperature was 90 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Yellow oil (118 mg, 81 % yield, new product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.18 - 8.21 (m, 1H), 7.86 - 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.70 - 7.78 (m, 3H), 7.61 - 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.56 - 7.59 (m, 1H), 7.41 - 7.50 (m, 2H), 3.06 (s, 3H), 0.11 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.6, 154.4, 147.7, 139.3, 136.5, 135.4, 130.1, 129.4, 128.8, 127.5, 127.1, 126.8, 126.3, 125.6, 118.0, 22.0, 0.9 ppm; IR (KBr): 3052, 2952, 1566, 1245, 841, 730 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{22}\text{NSi}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 292.1516; found 292.1513.

2-(1-methylisoquinolin-3-yl)aniline (2k)



Reaction temperature was 80 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow oil (55 mg, 47 % yield, new product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 8.20 - 8.23 (m, 1H), 7.98 - 8.01 (m, 2H), 7.74 - 7.78 (m, 1H), 7.62 - 7.66 (m, 1H), 7.55 - 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.08 - 7.12 (m, 1H), 6.79 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 6.65 - 6.89 (m, 1H), 6.37 (s, 2H, NH_2), 2.95 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 157.3, 152.1, 147.9, 137.1, 130.8, 129.8, 129.7, 128.0, 127.4, 126.1, 125.5, 122.1, 116.94, 116.87, 1116.7, 22.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3449, 3310, 3059, 2924, 2857, 1612, 1585, 1461, 1283, 883, 748 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 235.1230; found 235.1227.

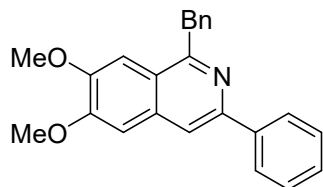
1-ethyl-3-phenylisoquinoline (2l)



Reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow oil (73 mg, 63 % yield, known product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.19 - 8.24 (m, 3H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.88 - 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.67 - 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.57 - 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.52 - 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.46 (m, 1H), 3.45 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.57 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 160.9, 147.8, 137.9, 135.2, 128.0, 126.8, 126.4, 125.9, 125.1, 124.8, 124.0, 123.3,

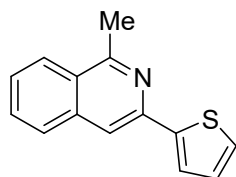
113.1, 26.5, 11.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 3059, 2970, 2928, 2853, 1569, 882, 769, 747, 693 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{N}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 234.1277; found 234.1276.

1-benzyl-6,7-dimethoxy-3-phenylisoquinoline (2m)



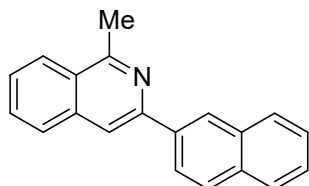
Reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow solid (50 mg, 28 % yield, new product), mp 119 - 121 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.19 - 8.21 (m, 2H), 7.89 (s, 1H), 7.52 - 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.38 - 7.45 (m, 3H), 7.28 - 7.32 (m, 3H), 7.19 - 7.23 (m, 1H), 7.11 (s, 1H), 4.72 (s, 2H), 4.02 (s, 3H), 3.91 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 157.6, 152.5, 149.7, 149.0, 140.0, 139.8, 134.3, 128.7, 128.5, 128.1, 126.8, 126.2, 122.0, 114.8, 105.7, 104.3, 56.0, 55.9, 42.9 ppm; IR (KBr): 3060, 3025, 2927, 2836, 1505, 1422, 1245, 750, 697 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{24}\text{H}_{22}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 356.1645; found 356.1642.

1-methyl-3-(thiophen-2-yl)isoquinoline (2n)



Reaction temperature was 80 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow oil (80 mg, 71 % yield, known product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.08 - 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.85 (s, 1H), 7.80 - 7.83 (m, 1H), 7.71 (dd, $J = 1.2, 3.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.64 - 7.69 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.57 (m, 1H), 7.40 - 7.41 (m, 1H), 7.17 (dd, $J = 3.6, 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 3.02 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 158.8, 145.5, 145.4, 136.6, 130.2, 128.1, 127.4, 126.7, 126.6, 125.8, 123.8, 113.1, 22.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 3067, 2921, 1568, 1447, 1278, 823, 710 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{12}\text{NS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 226.0685; found 226.0683.

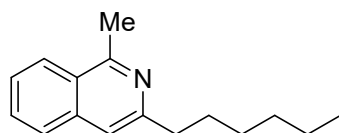
1-methyl-3-(naphthalen-2-yl)isoquinoline (2o)



Reaction temperature was 80 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow solid (122 mg, 90 % yield, known product), mp 131 - 133 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.71 - 8.72 (m, 1H), 8.29 - 8.32 (m, 1H), 8.15 - 8.18 (m, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.99 - 8.04 (m, 2H), 7.88 - 7.93 (m, 2H), 7.68 - 7.72 (m, 1H), 7.51 - 7.63 (m, 3H), 3.12 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C

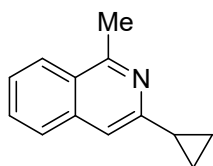
NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.7, 149.8, 137.1, 136.8, 133.8, 133.5, 130.1, 128.8, 128.4, 127.7, 126.9, 126.7, 126.22, 126.20, 125.7, 124.8, 115.6, 22.8 ppm; IR (KBr): 3056, 2921, 1568, 1267, 816, 746 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₂₀H₁₆N [M+H]⁺ 270.1277; found 270.1274.

3-hexyl-1-methylisoquinoline (2p)



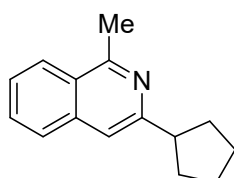
Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Pale yellow oil (88 mg, 77 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.06 - 8.09 (m, 1H), 7.72 - 7.74 (m, 1H), 7.60 - 7.64 (m, 1H), 7.49 - 7.53 (m, 1H), 7.33 (s, 1H), 2.96 (s, 3H), 2.89 - 2.93 (m, 2H), 1.79 - 1.86 (m, 2H), 1.39 - 1.43 (m, 4H), 0.91 - 0.95 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.0, 154.6, 136.7, 129.7, 126.8, 126.0, 125.8, 125.5, 116.5, 38.2, 31.7, 29.7, 22.6, 22.4, 14.1 ppm; IR (KBr): 3061, 2925, 2857, 1624, 1568, 877, 748 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₅H₂₀N [M+H]⁺ 214.1590; found 214.1588.

3-cyclopropyl-1-methylisoquinoline (2q)



Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Pale yellow solid (74 mg, 81 % yield, new product), mp 49 - 51 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.03 - 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.69 - 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.58 - 7.62 (m, 1H), 7.45 - 7.50 (m, 1H), 7.28 (s, 1H), 2.93 (s, 3H), 2.16 - 2.22 (m, 1H), 1.00 - 1.11 (m, 4H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.1, 154.9, 136.6, 129.7, 126.5, 125.9, 125.59, 125.55, 114.3, 22.4, 17.1, 8.9 ppm; IR (KBr): 3004, 2919, 1622, 1570, 1269, 949, 745 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₃H₁₄N [M+H]⁺ 184.1121; found 184.1120.

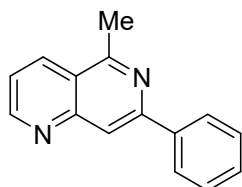
3-cyclopentyl-1-methylisoquinoline (2r)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale yellow oil (90 mg, 85 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00 - 8.03 (m, 1H), 7.67 - 7.70 (m, 1H), 7.54 - 7.58 (m, 1H), 7.43 - 7.48 (m, 1H), 7.32 (s, 1H), 3.24 - 3.32 (m, 1H), 2.92 (m, 3H), 2.10 - 2.17 (m, 2H), 1.70 - 1.89 (m, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz,

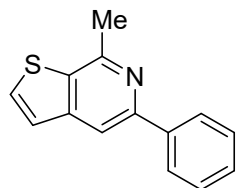
CDCl₃): δ 157.9, 157.8, 136.7, 129.6, 126.9, 126.0, 125.9, 125.5, 114.9, 47.9, 33.6, 25.7, 22.4 ppm; IR (KBr): 3059, 2952, 2866, 1624, 1569, 1446, 878, 748 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₅H₁₈N [M+H]⁺ 212.1434; found 212.1432.

5-methyl-7-phenyl-1,6-naphthyridine (2s)



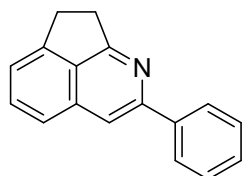
Reaction temperature was 120 °C. Pale yellow solid (60 mg, 54 % yield, new product), mp 102 - 104 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.05 - 9.07 (m, 1H), 8.41 - 8.44 (m, 1H), 8.19 - 8.21 (m, 3H), 7.51 - 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.43 - 7.49 (m, 2H), 3.04 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 159.4, 154.4, 153.8, 151.7, 139.1, 133.9, 129.0, 128.8, 127.2, 121.7, 121.6, 116.3, 22.1 ppm; IR (KBr): 3057, 2921, 2857, 1603, 1578, 1440, 1332, 773, 697 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₅H₁₃N₂ [M+H]⁺ 221.1073; found 221.1072.

7-methyl-5-phenylthieno[2,3-c]pyridine (2t)



Reaction temperature was 100 °C. Colorless oil (98 mg, 87 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.08 - 8.11 (m, 2H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.67 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 - 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.41 - 7.45 (m, 2H), 2.91 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.6, 151.9, 146.0, 140.1, 134.3, 131.3, 128.8, 128.3, 127.1, 124.1, 112.5, 23.8 ppm; IR (KBr): 3061, 2922, 2852, 1578, 1547, 1388, 1261, 765, 694 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₄H₁₂NS [M+H]⁺ 226.0685; found 226.0683.

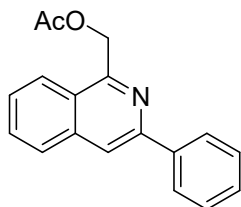
2-phenyl-7,8-dihydrocyclopenta[*ij*]isoquinoline (2u)



Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Pale yellow oil (90 mg, 78 % yield, new product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.09 - 8.11 (m, 2H), 7.82 (s, 1H), 7.68 - 7.71 (m, 1H), 7.61 - 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.50 - 7.54 (m, 2H), 7.40 - 7.45 (m, 2H), 3.55 - 3.58 (m, 2H), 3.46 - 3.50 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 171.4, 154.2, 147.5, 140.8, 134.5, 132.9, 131.9, 128.7, 128.2, 127.4, 121.4, 121.3, 112.5, 32.9, 28.7 ppm; IR (KBr):

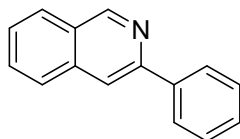
3050, 2923, 2856, 1616, 1579, 1436, 865, 779, 693 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 232.1121; found 232.1119.

(3-phenylisoquinolin-1-yl)methyl acetate (2v)



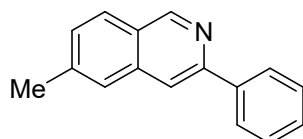
Reaction temperature was 80 °C. Yellow oil (46 mg, 33 % yield, known product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.17 - 8.19 (m, 2H), 8.13 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.71 - 7.75 (m, 1H), 7.61 - 7.65 (m, 1H), 7.51 - 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.46 (m, 1H), 5.82 (s, 2H), 2.22 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 170.8, 154.3, 150.0, 139.2, 137.4, 130.4, 128.8, 128.6, 127.9, 127.5, 127.0, 125.8, 124.6, 117.1, 66.0, 21.0 ppm; IR (KBr): 3060, 2925, 1739, 1572, 1232, 755, 694 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 278.1176; found 278.1174.

3-phenylisoquinoline (2aa)



Reaction temperature was 100 °C. Pale yellow solid (92 mg, 90 % yield, known product), mp 104 - 106 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.37 (s, 1H), 8.15 - 8.18 (m, 2H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.69 - 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.63 (m, 3H), 7.43 - 7.47 (m, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 152.4, 151.3, 139.6, 136.7, 130.5, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 127.6, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 116.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 3035, 2922, 2852, 1452, 883, 761, 685 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{N}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 206.0964; found 206.0963.

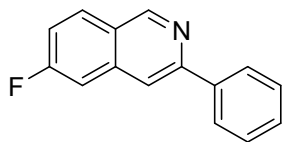
6-methyl-3-phenylisoquinoline (2ab)



Reaction temperature was 100 °C. Pale yellow solid (104 mg, 95 % yield, known product), mp 176 - 178 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.30 (s, 1H), 8.13 - 8.16 (m, 2H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, $J = 8.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.52 - 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.46 (m, 2H), 2.58 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 152.0,

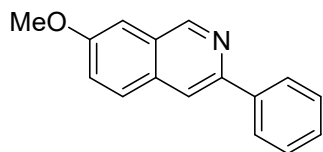
151.3, 140.9, 139.8, 137.0, 129.4, 128.8, 128.4, 127.3, 127.0, 126.3, 125.8, 116.1, 22.1 ppm; IR (KBr): 3052, 3025, 2977, 2921, 2851, 1454, 900, 700 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{N}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 220.1121; found 220.1119.

6-fluoro-3-phenylisoquinoline (2ac)



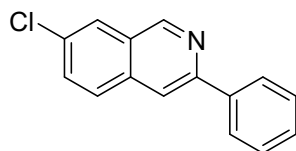
Reaction temperature was 120 °C. Pale yellow solid (106 mg, 95 % yield, known product), mp 134 - 136 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.34 (s, 1H), 8.13 - 8.16 (m, 2H), 8.01 - 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.44 - 7.57 (m, 4H), 7.35 - 7.40 (m, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 163.5 (d, $J = 51.1$ Hz), 152.1, 152.0, 139.1, 138.2 (d, $J = 10.5$ Hz), 130.6 (d, $J = 9.5$ Hz), 128.9, 127.1, 124.9, 117.7 (d, $J = 26.0$ Hz), 116.2, 116.1, 110.3 (d, $J = 20.9$ Hz) ppm; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): δ -106.8 ppm; IR (KBr): 2921, 2854, 1215, 892, 755, 685 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{FN}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 224.0870; found 224.0869.

7-methoxy-3-phenylisoquinoline (2ad)



Reaction temperature was 100 °C. Pale yellow solid (91 mg, 77 % yield, known product), mp 162 - 164 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.26 (s, 1H), 8.11 - 8.13 (m, 2H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.80 (dd, $J = 2.0, 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.53 (t, $J = 7.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.36 - 7.44 (m, 2H), 7.26 - 7.28 (m, 1H), 3.99 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 158.4, 150.9, 149.7, 139.7, 132.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.5, 128.2, 126.8, 123.8, 116.5, 104.7, 55.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 2924, 1270, 754, 695 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 236.1070; found 236.1069.

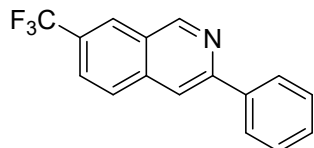
7-chloro-3-phenylisoquinoline (2ae)



Reaction temperature was 120 °C. Pale yellow solid (115 mg, 96 % yield, known product), mp 157 - 159 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.29 (s, 1H), 8.12 - 8.15 (m, 2H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.99 (d, $J = 2.0$ Hz, 1H), 7.84 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.65 (dd, $J = 2.4, 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.52 - 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.43 - 7.48 (m, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 151.7, 151.4, 139.2, 134.9, 132.6, 131.6, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 128.1, 127.0, 126.4,

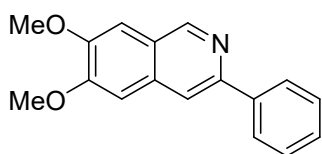
116.2 ppm; IR (KBr): 3060, 2999, 1271, 880, 756, 688 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClN}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 240.0575; found 240.0573.

3-phenyl-7-(trifluoromethyl)isoquinoline (2af)



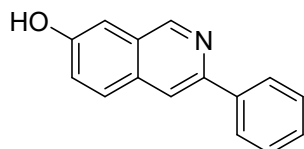
Reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow solid (116 mg, 85 % yield, known product), mp 168 - 170 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.45 (s, 1H), 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.14 - 8.18 (m, 3H), 8.00 - 8.02 (m, 1H), 7.86 - 7.89 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.46 - 7.50 (m, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 153.4, 153.1, 138.9, 138.0, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8 (d, $J = 32.5$ Hz), 128.2, 127.2, 126.4, 126.1 (q, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 125.5 (q, $J = 4.5$ Hz), 123.9 (q, $J = 270.4$ Hz), 116.1 ppm; ^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3): δ -62.6 ppm; IR (KBr): 2923, 2850, 1109, 886, 761, 688 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{N}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 274.0838; found 274.0836.

6,7-dimethoxy-3-phenylisoquinoline (2ag)



Reaction temperature was 100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow solid (103 mg, 78 % yield, known product), mp 128 - 130 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.14 (s, 1H), 8.09 - 8.11 (m, 2H), 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.50 - 7.53 (m, 2H), 7.40 - 7.44 (m, 1H), 7.23 (s, 1H), 7.13 (s, 1H), 4.06 (s, 6H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 153.2, 150.3, 150.27, 149.8, 139.9, 133.4, 128.8, 128.2, 126.8, 123.8, 115.6, 105.3, 105.0, 56.1, 56.09 ppm; IR (KBr): 3060, 3003, 2962, 2837, 1503, 1241, 1151, 751, 693 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 266.1176; found 266.1174.

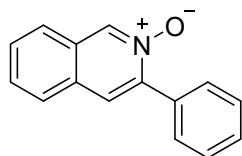
3-phenylisoquinolin-7-ol (2ah)



Reaction temperature was 100 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pale yellow solid (81 mg, 73 % yield, new product), mp 258 - 260 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 11.36 (br, 1H, OH), 9.99 (s, 1H), 7.75 - 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.59 (d, $J = 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.55 (d, $J = 2.8$ Hz, 1H), 7.40 - 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.21 (dd, $J = 2.8, 8.8$ Hz, 1H), 6.85 (s, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 162.9, 156.8, 137.1, 134.6, 131.0, 129.2, 129.1, 129.0, 126.83, 126.77, 122.9, 110.6,

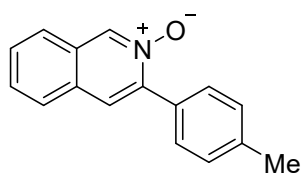
103.8 ppm; IR (KBr): 3453, 2924, 2852, 1631, 1269, 751 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 222.0913; found 222.0910.

3-phenylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4a)



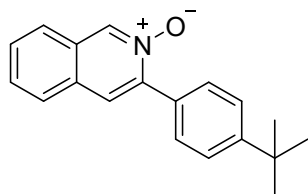
Reaction temperature was 70 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (94 mg, 85 % yield, known product), mp 157 - 159 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 9.10 (s, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.96 - 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.90 - 7.92 (m, 1H), 7.80 - 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.60 - 7.68 (m, 2H), 7.48 - 7.54 (m, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 146.4, 136.6, 133.5, 130.2, 129.6, 129.5, 129.4, 128.9, 128.8, 128.3, 127.3, 125.4, 124.8 ppm; IR (KBr): 3056, 2924, 2850, 1750, 1374, 1233, 752, 694 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 222.0913; found 222.0911.

3-(*p*-tolyl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4b)



Reaction temperature was 90 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (100 mg, 85 % yield, known product), mp 167 - 169 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 9.06 (s, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.87 - 7.96 (m, 2H), 7.58 - 7.73 (m, 4H), 7.29 - 7.31 (m, 2H), 2.38 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 146.5, 139.1, 136.5, 130.6, 130.0, 129.4, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.2, 125.0, 124.7, 21.4 ppm; IR (KBr): 3058, 3022, 2922, 2854, 1630, 1436, 1312, 1178, 748 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 236.1070; found 236.1069.

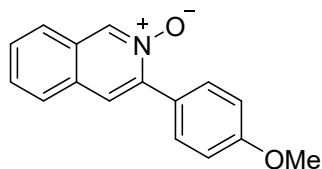
3-(4-(*tert*-butyl)phenyl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4c)



Reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (111 mg, 80 % yield, known product), mp 203 - 205 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 9.07 (s, 1H), 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.94 (d, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, $J=7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, $J=8.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.58 - 7.66 (m, 2H), 7.51 (d, $J=8.0$ Hz, 2H), 1.33 (s, 9H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d_6): δ 152.1, 146.4, 136.5, 130.7, 129.9, 129.4, 129.3, 128.9, 128.8, 127.2, 125.1, 125.0, 124.8, 35.0,

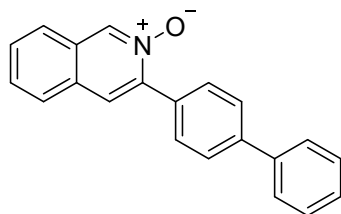
31.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 3055, 2959, 2866, 1312, 1178, 752 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{20}\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 278.1539; found 278.1538.

3-(4-methoxyphenyl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4d)



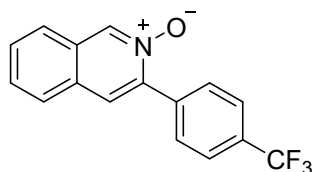
Reaction temperature was 90 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (107 mg, 85 % yield, known product), mp 194 - 196 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 9.05 (s, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.86 - 7.95 (m, 2H), 7.78 - 7.82 (m, 2H), 7.56 - 7.64 (m, 2H), 7.03 - 7.06 (m, 2H), 3.83 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 160.3, 146.2, 136.6, 131.6, 129.2, 129.1, 128.9, 128.8, 127.1, 125.6, 124.7, 124.6, 113.7, 55.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3061, 3016, 1606, 1310, 1248, 1178, 751 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 252.1019; found 252.1017.

3-([1,1'-biphenyl]-4-yl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4e)



Reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (113 mg, 76 % yield, known product), mp 245 - 247 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.95 (s, 1H), 7.84 - 7.95 (m, 4H), 7.74 - 7.76 (m, 3H), 7.59 - 7.69 (m, 4H), 7.48 - 7.52 (m, 2H), 7.38 - 7.43 (m, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 146.8, 142.3, 140.5, 137.5, 131.6, 130.2, 129.6, 129.2, 128.9, 128.8, 128.6, 127.7, 127.2, 127.0, 126.5, 124.7, 124.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 1315, 1179, 752 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{21}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 298.1226; found 298.1224.

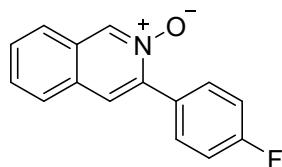
3-(4-(trifluoromethyl)phenyl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4f)



Reaction temperature was 90 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (101 mg, 70 % yield, known product), mp 210 - 212 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.21 (s, 1H), 8.03 - 8.05 (m, 2H), 7.90 - 7.99 (m, 2H), 7.84 - 7.87 (m, 2H), 7.61 - 7.70 (m, 2H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, $\text{DMSO}-d_6$): δ 144.9, 137.5, 136.7, 131.1, 130.0, 129.7, 129.6, 129.1, 128.7, 127.4, 125.9, 125.2 (q, $J = 3.7$ Hz), 124.9, 124.6 (d, $J = 270.6$ Hz) ppm; ^{19}F

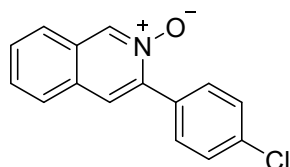
NMR (DMSO-d₆) : δ -61.2 ppm; IR (KBr): 3030, 1632, 1405, 1177, 1116, 845, 750 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₆H₁₁F₃NO [M+H]⁺ 290.0787; found 290.0784.

3-(4-fluorophenyl)isoquinoline N-oxide (4g)



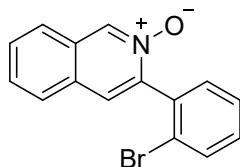
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (96 mg, 80 % yield, known product), mp 190 - 192 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO-d₆) : δ 9.09 (s, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.94 - 7.96 (m, 1H), 7.86 - 7.91 (m, 3H), 7.59 - 7.67 (m, 2H), 7.30 - 7.36 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO-d₆) : δ 162.9 (d, *J* = 245.0 Hz), 145.4, 136.6, 132.5 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 129.8 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz), 129.6, 129.4, 129.0, 128.7, 127.3, 125.3, 124.8, 115.3 (d, *J* = 21.4 Hz) ppm; ⁹F NMR (DMSO-d₆) : δ -112.0 ppm; IR (KBr): 3028, 1603, 1514, 1314, 1179, 833, 749 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₅H₁₁FNO [M+H]⁺ 240.0819; found 240.0817.

3-(4-chlorophenyl)isoquinoline N-oxide (4h)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (106 mg, 83 % yield, known product), mp 198 - 200 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.10 (s, 1H), 8.17 (s, 1H), 7.89 - 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.84 - 7.91 (m, 2H), 7.60 - 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.55 - 7.58 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 145.2, 136.6, 134.3, 132.3, 132.0, 129.7, 129.5, 129.0, 128.7, 128.4, 127.3, 125.5, 124.9 ppm; IR (KBr): 3020, 1632, 1601, 1314, 1177, 746 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₅H₁₁ClNO [M+H]⁺ 256.0524; found 256.0523.

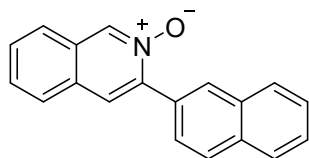
3-(2-bromophenyl)isoquinoline N-oxide (4i)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (92 mg, 61 % yield, new product), mp 178 - 180 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.09 (s, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.95 (dd, *J* = 8, 16.8 Hz, 2H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.62 - 7.72 (m, 2H), 7.51 - 7.55 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.47 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 146.6, 136.0, 135.5, 132.6, 132.5, 131.3, 129.9, 129.8, 129.0, 128.2, 128.0, 127.3, 125.8, 125.0, 124.3 ppm; IR

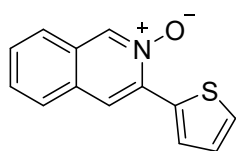
(KBr): 1635, 1432, 1316, 1180, 748 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{BrNO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 300.0019; found 300.0017.

3-(naphthalen-2-yl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4j)



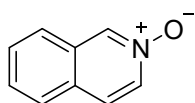
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (117 mg, 86 % yield, known product), mp 218 - 220 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 9.14 (s, 1H), 8.34 (s, 1H), 8.27 (s, 1H), 7.92 - 8.04 (m, 6H), 7.56 - 7.69 (m, 4H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 146.4, 136.6, 133.4, 133.0, 131.4, 129.6, 129.54, 129.5, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 128.0, 127.7, 127.4, 127.3, 127.2, 126.8, 125.7, 124.9 ppm; IR (KBr): 1632, 1313, 1179, 1126, 748 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{19}\text{H}_{14}\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 272.1070; found 272.1067.

3-(thiophen-2-yl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4k)



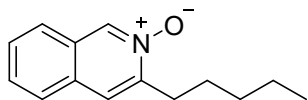
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (101 mg, 89 % yield, known product), mp 178 - 180 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 9.19 (s, 1H), 8.84 (d, $J = 6.0$ Hz, 1H), 8.18 - 8.20 (m, 1H), 7.89 - 7.98 (m, 2H), 7.74 (d, $J = 5.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.59 - 7.64 (m, 2H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 140.2, 136.2, 131.7, 131.5, 129.3, 129.1, 129.0, 128.0, 127.9, 127.1, 126.6, 125.1, 120.1 ppm; IR (KBr): 3065, 1595, 1313, 1180, 749, 699 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{10}\text{NOS}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 228.0475; found 228.0478.

isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4l)



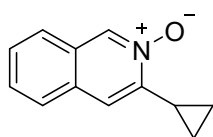
Reaction temperature was 70 °C. Pale green solid (71 mg, 98 % yield, known product), mp 56 - 58 °C. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.96 (s, 1H), 8.15 - 8.17 (m, 1H), 7.88 - 7.97 (m, 3H), 7.59 - 7.69 (m, 2H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 137.5, 135.5, 130.0, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 127.2, 125.2, 125.0 ppm; IR (KBr): 3062, 1326, 1177, 1124, 736 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_8\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 146.0600; found 146.0599.

3-pentylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4m)



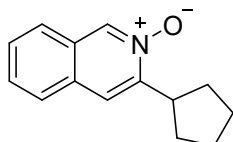
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale yellow oil (97 mg, 90 % yield, new product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 8.99 (s, 1H), 7.83 - 7.89 (m, 3H), 7.54 - 7.60 (m, 2H), 2.87 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.66 - 1.73 (m, 2H), 1.31 - 1.36 (m, 4H), 0.85 - 0.89 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 149.1, 135.9, 128.6, 128.5, 126.5, 124.8, 122.7, 31.5, 30.1, 26.5, 22.4, 14.3 ppm; IR (KBr): 2954, 2923, 2860, 1633, 1317, 1178, 1111, 748 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₁₄H₁₈NO [M+H]⁺ 216.1383; found 216.1382.

3-cyclopropylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4n)



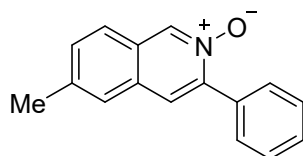
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (81 mg, 87 % yield, known product), mp 95 - 97 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.00 (s, 1H), 7.80 - 7.83 (m, 2H), 7.64 (s, 1H), 7.51 - 7.57 (s, 2H), 2.59 - 2.66 (m, 1H), 1.06 - 1.11 (m, 2H), 0.83 - 0.87 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 150.6, 135.7, 128.63, 128.60, 128.5, 128.1, 126.5, 124.7, 118.9, 10.7, 8.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 3056, 3008, 1318, 1174, 751 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₁₂H₁₂NO [M+H]⁺ 186.0913; found 186.0912.

3-cyclopentylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4o)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale yellow solid (79 mg, 74 % yield, new product), mp 80 - 82 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.00 (s, 1H), 7.91 - 7.94 (m, 2H), 7.83 - 7.85 (m, 1H), 7.55 - 7.61 (m, 2H), 3.65 - 3.73 (m, 1H), 2.11 - 2.18 (m, 2H), 1.60 - 1.82 (m, 6H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 152.7, 136.0, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 126.7, 124.6, 120.4, 39.2, 31.3, 25.2 ppm; IR (KBr): 3056, 2951, 2867, 1319, 1176, 1133, 752 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₁₄H₁₆NO [M+H]⁺ 214.1226; found 214.1225.

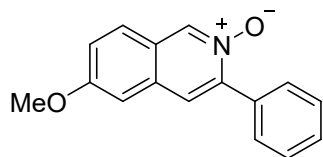
6-methyl-3-phenylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4p)



Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (92 mg, 78 % yield, known product), mp 164 -166 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.04 (s, 1H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.75 - 7.83 (m, 4H), 7.48 (m, 4H), 2.48 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C

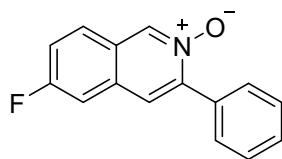
NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 146.4, 138.9, 136.4, 133.6, 131.7, 130.2, 129.4, 129.0, 128.3, 127.7, 126.1, 124.8, 124.7, 21.9 ppm; IR (KBr): 2925, 1753, 1273, 752 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₆H₁₄NO [M+H]⁺ 236.1070; found 236.1068.

6-methoxy-3-phenylisoquinoline N-oxide (4q)



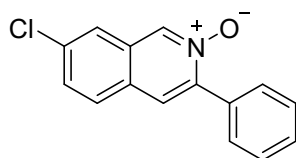
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. White solid (96 mg, 76 % yield, known product), mp 198 -200 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 8.91 (s, 1H), 8.06 (s, 1H), 7.87 - 7.90 (m, 1H), 7.79 - 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.44 - 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.21 - 7.32 (m, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 159.8, 144.4, 135.8, 133.7, 130.9, 130.1, 129.2, 128.9, 128.3, 125.0, 124.5, 121.6, 103.0, 56.0 ppm; IR (KBr): 2927, 2854, 1754, 1271, 753, 697 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₆H₁₄NO₂ [M+H]⁺ 252.1019; found 252.1017.

6-fluoro-3-phenylisoquinoline N-oxide (4r)



Reaction temperature was 120 °C. White solid (105 mg, 88 % yield, known product), mp 214 - 216 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.99 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.75 - 7.82 (m, 3H), 7.56 - 7.61 (m, 1H), 7.48 - 7.52 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 161.7 (d, *J* = 246.6 Hz), 147.2, 136.6, 133.3, 130.1, 129.8 (d, *J* = 10.3 Hz), 129.7, 128.4, 128.2 (d, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 126.8, 124.8 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz), 119.9 (d, *J* = 25.9 Hz), 111.0 (d, *J* = 22.1 Hz) ppm; ¹⁹F NMR (DMSO-d₆): δ -110.2 ppm; IR (KBr): 2926, 2853, 1270, 1212, 754 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₅H₁₁FNO [M+H]⁺ 240.0819; found 240.0817.

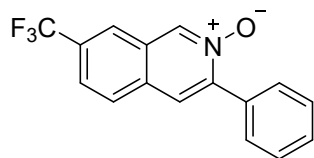
7-chloro-3-phenylisoquinoline N-oxide (4s)



Reaction temperature was 120 °C. White solid (106 mg, 83 % yield, known product), mp 194 - 196 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.05 (s, 1H), 8.17 (s, 1H), 7.98 - 8.02 (m, 2H), 7.78 - 7.80 (m, 2H), 7.59 - 7.63 (m, 1H), 7.48 - 7.52 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 146.9, 135.9, 134.0, 133.2,

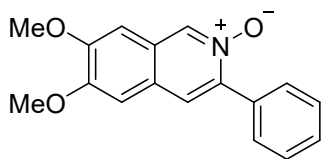
130.3, 130.1, 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 128.4, 127.1, 125.2, 123.4 ppm; IR (KBr): 1274, 751 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{11}\text{ClNO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 256.0524; found 256.0522.

3-phenyl-7-(trifluoromethyl)isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4t)



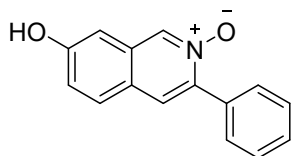
Reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (132 mg, 91 % yield, known product), mp 213 - 215 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 9.25 (s, 1H), 8.39 (s, 1H), 8.28 (s, 1H), 8.17 (d, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.80 - 7.86 (m, 3H), 7.50 - 7.54 (m, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 148.6, 137.4, 133.0, 130.2, 130.0, 129.9, 129.3 (d, $J = 31.7$ Hz), 129.1, 128.7, 128.4, 125.3, 124.3 (d, $J = 270.9$ Hz), 123.8 (q, $J = 3.2$ Hz), 122.9 (q, $J = 4.7$ Hz) ppm; ^9F NMR (DMSO- d_6): δ -61.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 3041, 1192, 1128, 749, 695 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{11}\text{F}_3\text{NO}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 290.0787; found 290.0784.

6,7-dimethoxy-3-phenylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4u)



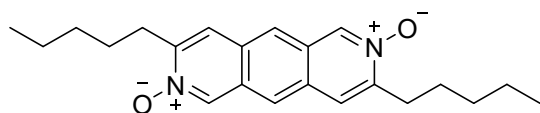
Reaction temperature was 90 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (100 mg, 71 % yield, known product), mp 215 - 217 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 8.83 (s, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H), 7.79 - 7.81 (m, 2H), 7.43 - 7.51 (m, 3H), 7.39 (s, 1H), 7.32 (s, 1H), 3.91 (s, 3H), 3.90 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 152.0, 151.7, 144.1, 135.3, 133.9, 130.1, 129.2, 128.3, 125.6, 125.4, 123.7, 106.0, 103.4, 56.2 ppm; IR (KBr): 1273, 752 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_3$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 282.1125; found 282.1122.

7-hydroxy-3-phenylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4v)



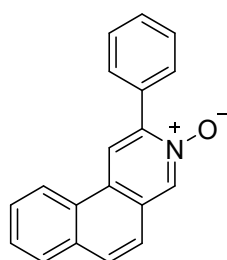
Reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. White solid (80 mg, 67 % yield, new product), mp 232 - 234 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. ^1H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 10.35 (s, 1H), 8.89 (s, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.77 - 7.84 (m, 3H), 7.46 - 7.50 (m, 3H), 7.10 - 7.17 (m, 2H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d_6): δ 158.2, 143.4, 135.1, 133.8, 131.2, 130.1, 129.2, 129.1, 128.2, 125.0, 123.6, 121.6, 105.6 ppm; IR (KBr): 3708, 2924, 2852, 1753, 1272, 752 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 238.0863; found 238.0861.

3,8-dipentylpyrido[3,4-g]isoquinoline *N,N*-dioxide (4w)



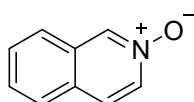
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Light yellow solid (169 mg, 96 % yield, new product), mp 242 - 244 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.88 (s, 2H), 8.09 (s, 2H), 7.72 (s, 2H), 3.05 - 3.08 (m, 4H), 1.82 - 1.85 (m, 4H), 1.40 - 1.50 (m, 8H), 0.95 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.6, 135.9, 127.5, 121.3, 31.5, 30.2, 26.7, 22.5, 14.0 ppm; IR (KBr): 3053, 2952, 2925, 2852, 1641, 1410, 1299, 1179, 1140, 749 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₂₂H₂₉N₂O₂ [M+H]⁺ 353.2224; found 353.2221.

2-phenylbenzo[*f*]isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4x)



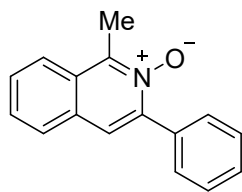
Reaction temperature was 120 °C. White solid (81 mg, 60 % yield, new product), mp 167 -169 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 9.12 (s, 1H), 8.89 - 8.91 (m, 2H), 7.94 - 8.03 (m, 4H), 7.71 - 7.81 (m, 3H), 7.51 - 7.57 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 146.9, 137.5, 133.6, 132.5, 130.7, 130.4, 129.6, 129.3, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.3, 126.5, 124.3, 122.7, 121.4 ppm; IR (KBr): 1263, 751 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₁₉H₁₄NO [M+H]⁺ 272.1070; found 272.1068.

isoquinoline *N*-oxide (4y)



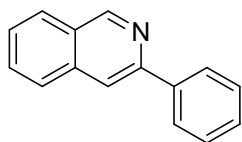
Reaction temperature was 90 °C. Pale green solid (64 mg, 88 % yield, known product), mp 56 - 58 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 8.96 (s, 1H), 8.15 - 8.17 (m, 1H), 7.88 - 7.97 (m, 3H), 7.59 - 7.69 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, DMSO- d₆): δ 137.5, 135.5, 130.0, 129.8, 128.8, 128.3, 127.2, 125.2, 125.0 ppm; IR (KBr): 3062, 1326, 1177, 1124, 736 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₉H₈NO [M+H]⁺ 146.0600; found 146.0599.

1-methyl-3-phenylisoquinoline *N*-oxide (4z)



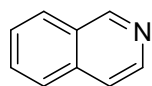
Reaction temperature was 50 °C. Yellow oil (41 mg, 35 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.97 - 7.99 (m, 1H), 7.82 - 7.85 (m, 1H), 7.76 - 7.79 (m, 2H), 7.73 (s, 1H), 7.60 - 7.69 (m, 2H), 7.43 - 7.48 (m, 3H), 2.94 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 146.6, 133.5, 129.8, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.2, 128.1, 127.5, 124.1, 122.8, 13.7 ppm; IR (KBr): 3057, 2955, 2924, 2853, 1713, 1222, 760, 698 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₆H₁₄NO [M+H]⁺ 236.1070; found 236.1068.

3-phenylisoquinoline (5a)



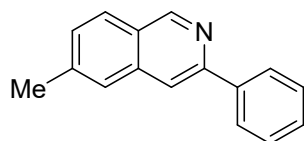
Pale yellow solid (41 mg, 98 % yield, known product), mp 104 - 106 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.37 (s, 1H), 8.15 - 8.18 (m, 2H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 8.01 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.69 - 7.73 (m, 1H), 7.53 - 7.63 (m, 3H), 7.43 - 7.47 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.4, 151.3, 139.6, 136.7, 130.5, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 127.6, 127.1, 127.0, 126.9, 116.5 ppm; IR (KBr): 3035, 2922, 2852, 1452, 883, 761, 685 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₁₅H₁₂N [M+H]⁺ 206.0964; found 206.0963.

isoquinoline (5l)



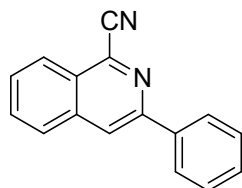
Pale yellow oil (25 mg, 97% yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.42 (s, 1H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.76 - 7.81 (m, 2H), 7.65 - 7.69 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.6, 141.3, 136.3, 131.9, 128.8, 128.3, 128.2, 126.6, 121.8 ppm; IR (KBr): 3057, 2924, 1630, 1454, 1384, 829, 748 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) m/z: calcd for C₉H₈N [M+H]⁺ 130.0651; found 130.0651.

6-methyl-3-phenylisoquinoline (5p)



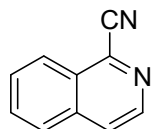
Pale yellow solid (43 mg, 98 % yield, known product), mp 176 - 178 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 9.30 (s, 1H), 8.13 - 8.16 (m, 2H), 8.00 (s, 1H), 7.90 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.65 (s, 1H), 7.52 - 7.56 (m, 2H), 7.42 - 7.46 (m, 2H), 2.58 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 152.0, 151.3, 140.9, 139.8, 137.0, 129.4, 128.8, 128.4, 127.3, 127.0, 126.3, 125.8, 116.1, 22.1 ppm; IR (KBr): 3052, 3025, 2977, 2921, 2851, 1454, 900, 700 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₁₆H₁₄N [M+H]⁺ 220.1121; found 220.1119.

3-phenylisoquinoline-1-carbonitrile (6a)



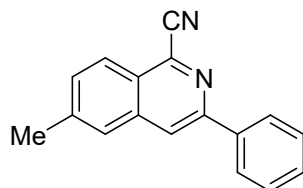
White solid (113 mg, 98 % yield, known product), mp 142 - 144 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.35 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.30 (s, 1H), 8.15 - 8.18 (m, 2H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8 Hz, 1H), 7.75 - 7.85 (m, 2H), 7.53 - 7.58 (m, 2H), 7.47 - 7.51 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.8, 137.6, 136.9, 134.6, 131.8, 129.49, 129.48, 129.0, 128.4, 127.7, 127.0, 125.3, 120.1, 116.0 ppm; IR (KBr): 3060, 2921, 2851, 2228, 1621, 1571, 1332, 1285, 897, 756, 681 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₁₆H₁₁N₂ [M+H]⁺ 231.0917; found 231.0915.

isoquinoline-1-carbonitrile (6l)



White solid (66 mg, 86 % yield, known product), mp 89 - 91 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.66 (dd, *J* = 1.6, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.33 - 8.37 (m, 1H), 7.96 - 7.98 (m, 1H), 7.91 - 7.93 (m, 1H), 7.79 - 7.87 (m, 2H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 143.3, 135.9, 134.8, 131.8, 129.9, 129.3, 127.3, 125.3, 124.5, 115.8 ppm; IR (KBr): 3058, 2921, 2850, 2227, 1621, 1576, 1386, 1340, 837, 747, 659 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₁₀H₇N₂ [M+H]⁺ 155.0604; found 155.0601.

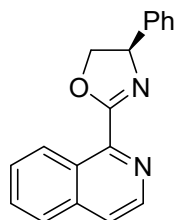
6-methyl-3-phenylisoquinoline-1-carbonitrile (6p)



White solid (116 mg, 95 % yield, new product), mp 155 - 157 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.13 - 8.21 (m, 4H), 7.72 (s, 1H), 7.46 - 7.59 (m, 4H), 2.61 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.8, 142.6,

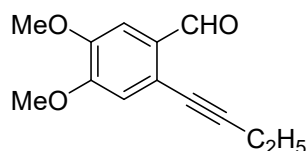
137.7, 137.2, 134.1, 131.9, 129.4, 129.0, 127.0, 126.9, 126.4, 125.0, 119.5, 116.1, 22.1 ppm; IR (KBr): 3057, 2919, 2847, 2232, 1624, 1574, 1378, 815, 767, 694 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{13}\text{N}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 245.1073; found 245.1070.

(R)-2-(isoquinolin-1-yl)-4-phenyl-4,5-dihydrooxazole (7l)



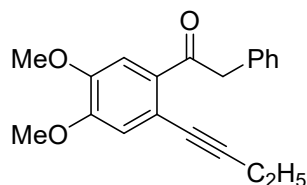
Pale yellow oil (82 mg, 30 % yield, known product). $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{25} = +90.1$ (c 0.091, CH_2Cl_2); ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.37 - 9.40 (m, 1H), 8.70 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.88 - 7.91 (m, 1H), 7.82 (d, $J = 5.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.67 - 7.76 (m, 2H), 7.40 - 7.46 (m, 4H), 7.32 - 7.36 (m, 1H), 5.67 (dd, $J = 8.8, 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.95 (dd, $J = 8.8, 10.4$ Hz, 1H), 4.42 (t, $J = 8.4$ Hz, 1H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 163.2, 146.1, 142.0, 141.8, 136.8, 130.5, 128.9, 128.7, 127.8, 127.54, 127.52, 127.1, 126.9, 123.6, 74.2, 71.4 ppm; IR (KBr): 3054, 2922, 1633, 1130, 998, 831, 752, 698 cm^{-1} . HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{15}\text{N}_2\text{O}$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 275.1175; found 275.1176.

2-(but-1-yn-1-yl)-4,5-dimethoxybenzaldehyde (8)



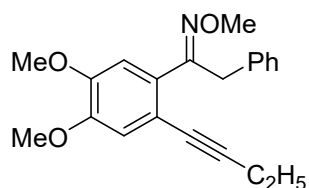
Pale yellow solid (1.51 g, 69 % yield, known product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 10.39 (s, 1H), 7.38 (s, 1H), 6.94 (s, 1H), 3.97 (s, 3H), 3.95 (s, 3H), 2.47 - 2.53 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.29 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.9, 153.6, 149.2, 130.2, 122.7, 114.4, 108.0, 97.7, 75.4, 56.2, 56.1, 13.7, 13.3 ppm.

1-(2-(but-1-yn-1-yl)-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-phenylethan-1-one (9)



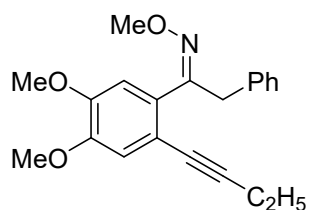
White solid (1.31 g, 85 % yield, new product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 7.32 - 7.36 (m, 2H), 7.25 - 7.29 (m, 4H), 6.96 (s, 1H), 4.58 (s, 2H), 3.94 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.51 (q, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 2H), 1.28 (t, $J = 7.6$ Hz, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 199.4, 151.3, 148.6, 135.2, 133.4, 129.7, 129.6, 128.5, 126.7, 116.3, 115.7, 111.6, 97.3, 79.6, 56.1, 55.9, 48.3, 13.6, 13.5 ppm.

1-(2-(but-1-yn-1-yl)-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-phenylethan-1-one *O*-methyl oxime (10)



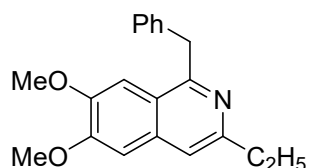
Pale yellow oil (*E* / *Z* = 3:1, 1.35 g, 100 % yield, new product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) : δ 7.14 - 7.26 (m, 5H), 6.91 (s, 1H), 6.61 (s, 0.75 H), 6.10 (s, 0.25H), 4.27 (s, 1.5H), 4.03 (s, 2.25H), 3.90 (s, 0.75H), 3.88(s, 0.5H), 3.87 (s, 2.25H), 3.85 (s, 0.75H), 3.77 (s, 2.25H), 3.60 (s, 0.75H), 2.38 - 2.47 (m, 2H), 1.23 - 1.29 (m, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 158.6, 157.1, 148.7, 148.4, 148.1, 147.9, 136.8, 136.6, 131.7, 130.0, 129.5, 129.2, 126.5, 126.1, 115.1, 115.0, 114.3, 113.8, 112.3, 110.8, 94.7, 93.4, 78.6, 78.1, 61.9, 61.8, 55.9, 55.8, 55.7, 55.6, 41.5, 35.0, 13.9, 13.7, 13.3, 13.2 ppm.

(*Z*)-1-(2-(but-1-yn-1-yl)-4,5-dimethoxyphenyl)-2-phenylethan-1-one *O*-methyl oxime



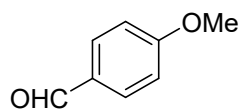
Pale yellow oil (*Z*-isomer, new product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) : δ 7.12 - 7.24 (m, 5H), 6.88 (s, 1H), 6.07 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 2H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.57 (s, 3H), 2.41 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.24 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 157.1, 148.1, 147.9, 136.6, 130.0, 129.5, 128.2, 126.5, 114.3, 113.8, 110.8, 93.4, 78.1, 61.9, 55.7, 55.6, 41.5, 13.9, 13.2 ppm.

1-benzyl-3-ethyl-6,7-dimethoxyisoquinoline (11)



Pale yellow oil (72 mg, 62 % yield, known product). ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.21 - 7.28 (m, 6H), 7.13 - 7.17 (m, 1H), 6.99 (s, 1H), 4.60 (s, 2H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 2.94 - 3.00 (m, 2H), 1.40 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H) ppm; ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 157.0, 154.7, 149.1, 139.8, 134.3, 128.5, 128.4, 121.1, 115.5, 104.9, 104.3, 55.9, 55.8, 42.8, 31.0, 14.3 ppm; IR (KBr): 2961, 2930, 1571, 1505, 1463, 1425, 1243, 1216, 1159, 703 cm⁻¹. HRMS (ESI) *m/z*: calcd for C₂₀H₂₂NO₂ [M+H]⁺ 308.1645; found 308.1643.

***p*-anisaldehyde (12)**



Pale yellow oil (51 mg, 75 % yield, known product). ^1H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 9.87 (s, 1H), 7.81 – 7.85 (m, 2H), 6.98 – 7.01 (m, 2H), 3.88 (s, 3H) ppm; ^{13}C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 190.8, 164.5, 131.9, 129.9, 114.2, 55.5 ppm. HRMS (ESI) m/z : calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_9\text{O}_2$ $[\text{M}+\text{H}]^+$ 137.0597; found 137.0596.

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