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γ-Hydroxy-γ-butyrolactams as 1,2-*bis*-electrophiles in a Brønsted/Lewis acid-free synthesis of condensed nitrogen heterocycles

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¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral charts for 3,5-diphenyl-3H-pyrrol-2-one 15aa





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral charts for *N*-(2-aminophenyl)-2-phenylacetamide 16aa





¹H and ¹³C NMR spectral charts for 2-Benzyl-1*H*-benzo[*d*]imidazole 17aa





HRMS spectral chart for 5-hydroxy-5-(3-methoxyphenyl)-3-phenyl-1,5-dihydro-2H-pyrrol-2-one 1ca











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