26 examples

up to 82% yield

Copper-Catalyzed Radical Methylation/C−H Amination/Oxidation Cascade for the Synthesis of Quinazolinones

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 R_1 = aryl, alkyl

 R_2 = Me, OMe, F, Cl, Br, NO_2

S Supporting Information

[AB](#page-5-0)STRACT: [A copper-cata](#page-5-0)lyzed radical methylation/sp³ C− H amination/oxidation reaction for the facile synthesis of quinazolinone was developed. In this cascade reaction, dicumyl peroxide acts not only as a useful oxidant but also as an efficient methyl source. Notably, a methyl radical, generated from peroxide, was confirmed by electron paramagnetic resonance for the first time.

The use of peroxides as methylation reagents has gained
increasing attention in recent years. In 2008, Li developed
a novel method for the direct methylation of and C-H bonds a novel method for the direct methylation of aryl C−H bonds. In this reaction, dicumyl peroxide (DCP) was first used as both methylating reagents and hydrogen acceptor (Scheme 1a).^{1a}

Recently, a copper-catalyzed N-methylation of amides and Omethylation of carboxylic acids was developed with DCP as the methylating reagent by Chen's group (Scheme 1b).^{1b} In the same year, Mao reported the copper-catalyzed methyl esterification of benzylic alcohols, aldehydes, and a[cid](#page-5-0)s using tert-butyl hydroperoxide (TBHP) as the methylating reagent (Scheme 1b).^{1c} Very recently, Cheng and Li, respectively, reported the iron-catalyzed radical arylmethylation of activated alkenes using [d](#page-5-0)i-tert-butylperoxide (DTBP) or DCP as the methyl source, leading to the biologically active product 3 ethyl-3-substituted indolin-2-one (Scheme 1c).^{1d,e} In light of these results above, we reasoned that peroxides could be used as a methyl source for the construction o[f o](#page-5-0)ther useful compounds.

On the other hand, transition-metal-catalyzed oxidative amination of the sp³ C−H bond has emerged as a powerful and versatile method to form C−N bonds for its straightforward and atom-economical advantages, avoiding tedious prefunctionalized processes.² In particular, copper as an inexpensive and less toxic metal catalyst has been widely used to catalyze the sp³ C−H am[in](#page-5-0)ation reaction.³ Our group has also been focused on developing sp³ C−H amination for the synthesis of heterocycles.⁴ Notably, quin[az](#page-5-0)olinone as an important structural unit has been widely found in many natural products and phar[ma](#page-6-0)ceuticals.⁵ Many great efforts have been made toward their construction starting from a variety of substrates,⁶ among which 2-aminob[en](#page-6-0)zamide is probably the most typical one. Herein, we demonstrated a facile method for the synth[es](#page-6-0)is of N-substituted quinazolinones starting from anthranilamides using DCP as the methyl source (Scheme 1d).

Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O, imidazole PhCl. 120 °C. 10 h

xides as oxidant and methyl sou<mark>l</mark>
iyl radical confirmed by EPR

catalyst. Initially, we began our study with the reaction of 1 equiv of 2 amino-N-phenylbenzanilide (1a) and 3 equiv of DCP as the oxidant in the presence of 20 mol % of $Cu(OAc)₂·H₂O$ as the catalyst. When the reaction mixture was stirred in 1 mL of PhCl at 120 °C for 10 h under air, 3-phenyl-4 $(3H)$ -quinazolinone (2a) was obtained in 20% yield (Table 1, entry 1). To improve the reaction yield, 2 equiv of base was employed. To our delight, imidazole gave the best result [wit](#page-1-0)h 65% yield (Table 1, entries 2−6). Besides, reducing the volume of solvent from 1 to 0.5 mL obviously increased the yield to 82% (Table 1, entry [7\).](#page-1-0) In the absence of copper salt, the corresponding product 2a was obtained in 50% yield, while reducing the [am](#page-1-0)ount of $Cu(OAc), H, O$ to 10 mol % also decreased the yield, which showed that copper catalysts played an important role in this

This reaction involved a tandem N-methylation/sp³ C−H amination/oxidation process in the presence of a copper

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a Reaction conditions: 1a (0.2 mmol), peroxide (0.6 mmol), catalyst (0.04 mmol), base (0.4 mmol), PhCl (0.5 mL), 10 h. b Isolated yield.

CD-1 (1.0 mL) d The data in parentheses are the result when 1a was PhCl (1.0 mL) . d The data in parentheses are the result when 1a was 0.5 mmol and the reaction time was 24 h. $e^{i}10$ mol % of Cu(OAc)₂· H_2O was used. ^{*f*}Under N₂. ^{*s*}DCP (1 equiv) was used. ^{*h*}DCP (2 equiv) was used (NEt₃ = triethylamine, DBU = 1,8-diaza-7-bicyclo[5.4.0]undecene, $DMAP = 4-(N,N$ -dimethylamino)pyridine, TBHP = tertbutyl hydroperoxide (70% in aqueous), TBPB = benzoyl tert-butyl peroxide, DTBP = di-tert-butylperoxide, nd = not detected).

transformation (Table 1, entries 8 and 9). Other copper catalysts such as CuCl and $Cu(OTf)_2$ gave lower yields (Table 1, entries 10 and 11). Subsequently, various oxidants such as TBHP, benzoyl tert-butyl peroxide (TBPB), and DTBP were also examined but failed to give better results (Table 1, entries 12−14). After a brief survey of reaction temperature, we found that the optimal reaction temperature was 120 $^{\circ}$ C (Table 1, entries 15 and 16). Considering the atom-economy synthesis, we reduced the amount of DCP to 2.0 and 1.0 equiv, and lower reaction yields were observed (Table 1, entries 18 and 19). Thus, the optimal reaction conditions were determined as described in entry 7.

To examine the substrate scope of this protocol, the optimized reaction conditions were then applied to the synthesis of a variety of quinazolinones (Table 2). First, when R_1 was an aromatic substituent, the corresponding products (2aa−oa) were obtained in moderate to good yields. It is noted that o-aminobenzanilide bearing electron-withdrawing groups (4-CF₃, 4-Cl, or 4-F) on the phenyl ring of R_1 gave the desired products in yields higher than those of electron-donating groups $(4\text{-CH}_3, 4\text{-OCH}_3, 4\text{-}n\text{-Bu}, \text{or } 4\text{-}t\text{-Bu})$ on the phenyl ring. Similarly, the effect of steric hindrance on the phenyl ring of R_1 had little influence on the reaction. Subsequently, substrates with aliphatic substituents, such as benzyl, isopropyl, n-butyl, and cyclohexyl (2qa−ta), can be employed in this reaction to give the corresponding products smoothly in spite of slightly lower yields. Finally, *o*-amino-

Table 2. Synthesis of Various Quinazolinones^a

^aReaction conditions: 1a (0.2 mmol), DCP (0.6 mmol), Cu(OAc)₂. H2O (0.04 mmol), imidazole (0.4 mmol), PhCl (0.5 mL), 120 °C, 10 h. Isolated yield.

benzanilides with various R_2 substitutes were also employed in this reaction, giving the desired products 2ab−ag in moderate yields.

To gain an insight into the reaction mechanism, the active intermediates were studied (Scheme 2). First, we observed that the reaction was obviously inhibited in the presence of 3.0 equiv of the radical scavenger, 2,2,6,[6-t](#page-2-0)etramethyl-1-piperidinyloxy (TEMPO). The radical trapping product 3 was also detected by GC-MS (see Supporting Information for details). The methyl radical was further trapped by 5,5-dimethyl-1 proline-N-oxide (DMP[O\) in the electron p](#page-5-0)aramagnetic resonance (EPR) experiments.⁷ In Figure 1, EPR spectra of the signal a, that is, the DMPO-CH₃ adduct radical, was identified by the characteristi[c](#page-6-0) hyperfine [c](#page-2-0)onstants for the nitrogen and proton A_{14N} = 15.6 G and A_{1H} = 23.2 G, respectively. Another signal b was assigned to oxidized DMPO with an A_{14N} = 14.9 G for the nitrogen, which was possibly oxidized by DCP, although the precise mechanism was not clear. This observation implied that the reaction presumably involved a free methyl radical.

Moreover, the possible intermediates of this reaction were also investigated. When 2-(methylamino)-N-phenylbenzamide 4 and 2-amino-N-methyl-N-phenylbenzamide 5 were carried out under the standard reaction conditions, the desired product 2a was obtained in 50 and 15% yield, respectively. These results indicated that both 4 and 5 are intermediates, and compound 4 may be the major intermediate.

On the basis of the results above and previous reports, 1b a plausible mechanism is proposed (Scheme 3). Initially, the thermal cleavage of DCP produces a tert-butoxy radical, w[hic](#page-5-0)h is converted to a methyl radical by the lo[ss](#page-2-0) of 1 equiv of

Scheme 2. Control Experiments

Magnetic field (Gauss)

Figure 1. EPR spectra (X band, 9.07 GHz, room temperature) for reaction mixtures in the presence of the radical trapper DMPO (0.5 mol/L). In the spectra, a is assigned to the DMPO–CH₃ radical, while b is assigned to oxidized DMPOX (Sim = simulation, Exp = experiment).

acetophenone. Then methyl radical is transformed into a methyl cation via a single electron transfer (SET) process in the presence of Cu^{2+} . The intermediate 4 or 5 can be formed via

Scheme 3. Proposed Mechanism

the nucleophilic attack of 1a to the methyl cation. The intermediate 4 then generates radical A1 via a SET process in the presence of Cu^{2+} . Then intermediate B1 is formed by removing a hydrogen radical from A1. B1 can be further subjected to intramolecular nucleophilic attack to give the amination product C. Finally, the further oxidation of C gives the quinazolinone 2a. Meanwhile, the product 2a is probably generated from 5 via a minor pathway. In the entire pathway, imidazole is used as base to accept hydrogen.

In summary, we have developed a facile method for the synthesis of quinazolinones from anthranilamides. The reaction undergoes a copper-catalyzed tandem radical methylation/ $sp³$ C−H amination/oxidation pathway. It is noted that DCP was not only an oxidant but also an efficient methylation reagent. Meanwhile, this reaction has wide substrate scope and good functional group tolerance, which represents a new avenue for practical multiple C−N bond formations. Further investigation to synthesize other heterocycles by this method is currently in progress.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Information. Unless otherwise indicated, all commercial reagents and solvents were used without additional purification. ¹H NMR and $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR used TMS as an internal reference ($^{1}\mathrm{H}$ NMR 400 MHz, 13 C NMR 100 MHz).

General Procedure for the Synthesis of Quinazolinones. 2- Amino-N-phenylbenzanilide 1a (0.2 mmol, 42.4 mg), DCP (0.6 mmol, 162 mg), $Cu(OAc)_2·H_2O$ (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), and imidazole (0.4 mmol, 27.2 mg) in PhCl (0.5 mL) were heated at 120 °C for 10 h in air. The completion of the reaction was monitored by thin layer chromatography and purified by column chromatography over silica gel to give the pure product 2a as an orange solid (36 mg, 82% yield).

Preparation of Substrates. Synthesis of 1a, 1aa–fa, and 1ha– oa. Isatoic anhydride (815 mg, 5 mmol) was dissolved in EtOH (10 mL) with aniline (916 μ L, 5 mmol) and I₂ (127 mg, 0.5 mmol). The mixture was stirred under reflux in air overnight. Then the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo, washed with EtOAc and $Na₂S₂O₃$ saturated solution three times, and the organic layer washed with brine and dried over anhydrous $Na₂SO₄$. The organic phase was concentrated in vacuum and purified by chromatographic column on silica gel, giving 2-amino-N-phenylbenzamide (1a) as a light yellow solid (715 mg, yield 67%).⁸

1aa−fa and 1ha−oa were synthesized according to the procedure for 1a.

Synthesis of 1qa and 1[p](#page-6-0)a. o-Nitrobenzoic acid (835 mg, 5 mmol) was dissolved in dry DCM (5 mL) under N₂. After being cooled to 0 $\rm{^{\circ}C}$, thionyl chloride (726 μ L, 10 mmol) with DCM (5 mL) solution was added slowly. The mixture was then allowed to warm to 40 °C for 3−6 h. Subsequently, the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo to leave the crude product as a light yellow oil.^{4e}

 o -Nitrobenzoyl chloride (5 mmol) in CHCl₃ was treated with 2trifluoromethyl phenylamine (628 μ L, 5 mmol) [un](#page-6-0)der N₂ atmosphere at reflux for 3 h. Upon being cooled, the reaction mixture was diluted with $CHCl₃$ and washed consecutively with aq 1 M HCl and saturated NaHCO₃ solution. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na2SO4 and concentrated under reduced pressure. The mixture was used for next step without further purification.⁹

Eight drops of concentrated HCl were added to the solution of N- (2-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-nitrobenzamide ([5](#page-6-0) mmol) in EtOH (16 mL) and water (4 mL) with iron powder (1.12 g, 20 mmol). The reaction was refluxed at 80 °C for 2 h, filtrated through silica gel, and the filtrate was concentrated under reduced pressure and then washed with EtOAc and saturated $NAHCO₃$ solution and brine. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous Na₂SO₄, concentrated in vacuum under reduced pressure, and purified by chromatographic column on silica gel, giving N-(2-trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-aminobenzamide (1ga) as a light yellow solid (642 mg, the total yield of three steps was 46%).^{4e}

1pa was synthesized according to the procedure for 1ga.

Synthe[sis](#page-6-0) of 1qa−1ta. Isatoic anhydride (815 mg, 5 mmol) in DMF was treated with benzylamine (547 μ L, 5 mmol) at 50–60 °C for 1 h. After the completion, the mixture was washed with EtOAc and H₂O. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous $Na₂SO₄$, concentrated in vacuum under reduced pressure, and purified by chromatographic column on silica gel, giving 2-amino-N- (phenylmethyl)benzamide (1qa) as a white solid (1100 mg, yield 98%).¹⁰

1ra−1ta were synthesized according to the procedure for 1qa.

Sy[nth](#page-6-0)esis of 1ab-1ag. CrO₃ (833 mg, 8.33 mmol) was added portionwise to a hot (90 °C) suspension of the 5-methylisatin (806 mg, 5 mmol) in glacial AcOH (4 mL) and Ac₂O (4 mL) . The mixture was heated at 90 °C for 2 h. After being cooled at room temperature, the suspension was diluted with water (50 mL) and the solid collected and abundantly washed with H_2O . The obtained mixture was used for next step without further purification (796 mg, yield 90%).

The mixture was dissolved in EtOH (10 mL) with aniline (916 μ L, 5 mmol) and I_2 (127 mg, 0.5 mmol). The mixture was sti[rre](#page-6-0)d under reflux in air overnight. Then the reaction mixture was concentrated in vacuo, washed with EtOAc and saturated $Na₂S₂O₃$ solution three

times, washed with brine, and dried over anhydrous $Na₂SO₄$. The organic phase was concentrated in vacuum and purified by a chromatographic column on silica gel, giving 2-amino-5-methyl-Nphenylbenzamide (1ab) as a light yellow solid (780 mg, yield 69%).⁸ 1ac−ag were synthesized according to the procedure for 1ab.

Further Investigation of the Mechanism. Experimental Detai[ls](#page-6-0) for the Capture of a Radical. A 10 mL reaction tube was equipped with a magnetic stirrer, then 2-amino-N-phenylbenzamide (1a) (0.2 mmol, 42.4 mg), DCP (0.6 mmol, 162 mg), $Cu(OAc)_{2}·H_{2}O$ (0.04 mmol, 8 mg), and imidazole (0.4 mmol, 27.2 mg) in mesitylene (0.5 mL) were heated at 120 °C for 1 h in air. A 50 μ L solution was taken out into a small tube and mixed well with 0.3 mL of DMPO aqueous solution. This mixture was quick-freezed with liquid nitrogen and analyzed by EPR. The EPR measurements were performed at room temperature.

Intermediate radical 1 trapped by DMPO was characterized by the hyperfine coupling. The hyperfine constants for the nitrogen and proton in a were $A_{14N} = 15.6$ G and $A_{1H} = 23.2$ G, respectively, and DMPO can be readily oxidized by DCP. The oxidized DMPO had an A_{14N} = 14.9 G for the nitrogen (Scheme 4).

Scheme 4. Reaction of DMPO

Characterization Data for the Products. 3-Phenyl-4(3H)-
Quinazolinone (2a):^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to giv[e a](#page-6-0) light yellow solid (36 mg, 82%); mp 136−137 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.39–8.36 (d, J = 12 Hz, 1 H), 8.14 (s, 1 H), 7.83−7.76 (m, 2H), 7.58−7.42 (m, 6H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 160.8, 147.9, 146.1, 137.5, 134.6, 129.7, 129.2, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 127.2, 122.4.

3-(2-Methylphenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2aa):¹² Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = [3:](#page-6-0)1) to give a light red solid (35 mg, 75%); mp 136−137 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.38–8.37 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (s, 1 H), 7.82– 7.78 (m, 2H), 7.58−7.53 (m, 1H), 7.42−7.36 (m, 3H), 7.26−7.24 (d, J $= 7.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.20 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.5, 148.1, 146.4, 136.7, 135.9, 134.6, 131.4, 129.8, 127.9, 127.6, 127.6, 127.4, 127.2, 122.4, 17.8.

3-(3-Methylphenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ba):¹² Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = [3:](#page-6-0)1) to give a light red solid (29 mg, 61%); mp 136−137 °C; ¹ H [NM](#page-6-0)R (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.37–8.35 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (s, 1H), 7.80– 7.77 (m, 2H), 7.57−7.53 (m, 1H), 7.45−7.41 (m, 1H), 7.31−7.29 (d, J $= 7.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.20 (m, 2H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.7, 147.5, 146.3, 139.9, 137.3, 134.7, 130.0, 129.5, 127.7, 127.6, 127.3, 127.2, 124.0, 122.3, 21.4.

3-(4-Methylphenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ca):^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = [3:](#page-6-0)1) to give a light red solid (31 mg, 65%); mp 150−151 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.36−8.34 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.14 (s, 1H), 7.80−7.76 (m, 2H), 7.56−7.52 (m, 1H), 7.35−7.28 (m, 4H), 2.43 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.8, 147.5, 146.4, 139.3,

134.8, 134.6, 130.3, 127.7, 127.4, 127.2, 126.7, 122.3, 21.2.
3-(2-Methoxyphenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2da):¹² Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3[:1\)](#page-6-0) to give red

solid (30 mg, 60%); mp 156−157 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.37−8.35 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.79−7.77 (m, 2H), 7.54−7.45 (m, 2H), 7.35−7.33 (dd, J_1 = 7.6 Hz, J_2 = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.12−7.07 (m, 2H), 3.80 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.7, 154.7, 148.0, 147.2, 134.4, 130.9, 129.1, 127.5, 127.3, 127.2, 126.0, 122.7, 121.0, 112.3, 55.8.

3-(3-Methoxyphenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ea):¹² Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = [3:1](#page-6-0)) to give a white solid (35 mg, 70%); mp 164-166 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.37–8.35 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.80– 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.56−7.52 (m, 1H), 7.46−7.42 (m, 1H), 7.03−6.97 (m, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.7, 160.4, 147.9, 146.1, 138.5, 134.6, 130.4, 127.7, 127.6, 127.2, 122.4, 119.1, 115.1, 112.9, 55.6.

3-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2fa):^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = [3:1](#page-6-0)) to give a light yellow solid (33 mg, 66%); mp 209−210 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.35–8.33 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.80−7.74 (m, 2H), 7.55−7.51 (m, 1H), 7.34−7.32 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 2H), 7.04−7.02 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 161.0, 159.9, 147.9, 146.5, 134.5, 130.2, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 127.1, 122.4, 114.8, 55.6.

3-[2-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ga): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1) to give a light yellow solid (37 mg, 64%); mp 157−158 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.36–8.34 (d, J = 7.8 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (s, 1H), 7.90– 7.88 (m, 1H), 7.85−7.75 (m, 3H), 7.70−7.66 (m, 1H), 7.59−7.55 (m, 1H), 7.48−7.46 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.9, 147.7, 145.6, 135.2, 134.9, 133.5, 131.0, 130.3, 128.6 (q, $J = 31$ Hz), 127.9, 127.7 (q, $J = 4.4$ Hz), 127.7, 127.2, 122.8 (q, $J = 272$ Hz), 122.1; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₀F₃N₂O [M + H]⁺ 291.0745, found 291.0746; IR (film, v/cm^{−1}) 3015, 1690, 1607, 1317, 1176, 1128, 879, 772.

3-[3-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ha):¹³ Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1) to giv[e a](#page-6-0) light yellow solid (47 mg, 81%); mp 142−143 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.35–8.32 (dd, J₁ = 7.2 Hz, J₂ = 0.76 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.82−7.63 (m, 6H), 7.57−7.53 (m, 1H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.5, 146.7, 144.2, 136.9, 133.9, 131.2 (q, J = 33 Hz), 129.5, 129.3, 126.9, 126.7, 126.1, 124.9 (q, J = 3.6 Hz), 123.2 $(q, J = 3.7 \text{ Hz})$, 122.3 $(q, J = 271 \text{ Hz})$, 121.1.

3-[4-(Trifluoromethyl)phenyl]-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ia):¹⁴ Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate $= 3:1$) to giv[e a](#page-6-0) light yellow solid (45 mg, 78%); mp 206−207 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.35–8.33 (d, J = 7.92 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.83– 7.80 (m, 3H), 7.77−7.75 (m, 1 H), 7.61−7.54 (m, 3H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 160.5, 147.7, 145.1, 140.4, 134.9, 131.3 $(q, J = 33 \text{ Hz})$, 128.0, 127.7, 127.5, 127.2, 126.8 $(q, J = 3.7 \text{ Hz})$, 123.6 $(q, J = 271 \text{ Hz})$, 122.1.

3-(2-Chlorophenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ja): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a yellow solid (32 mg, 63%); mp 174−175 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.38− 8.36 (d, J = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (s, 1H), 7.85−7.79 (m, 2H), 7.63−7.54 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.44 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.1, 147.6, 145.9, 134.9, 134.8, 132.4, 131.0, 130.7, 129.8, 128.1, 127.8, 127.5, 127.3, 122.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₀ClN₂O $[M + H]^+$ 257.0482, found 257.0489; IR (film, ν/cm^{-1}) 3244, 1687, 1608, 1474, 1307, 696, 541.

3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ka):^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = [3:](#page-6-0)1) to give a white solid (36 mg, 70%); mp 188−189 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.35−8.33 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.82− 7.75 (m, 2H), 7.57−7.51 (m, 3H), 7.39−7.37 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H); 13C

NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.6, 147.7, 145.6, 135.9, 135.2, 134.8, 129.9, 128.3, 127.8, 127.7, 127.2, 122.2.

3-(3-Fluorophenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2la): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a white solid (35 mg, 72%); mp 158−160 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 8.36− 8.34 (dd, J_1 = 7.1 Hz, J_2 = 1.0 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (m, 1H), 7.84–7.77 (m, 2H), 7.58−7.50 (m, 2H), 7.24−7.19 (m, 3H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 164.1, 161.6, 160.4, 147.3, 145.7, 138.6 (d, J = 10 Hz), 134.9, 131.0 (d, $J = 9$ Hz), 127.9, 127.3 (d, $J = 16$ Hz), 122.7 (d, J $= 3$ Hz), 122.1, 116.4 (d, J = 21 Hz), 114.9(d, J = 24 Hz); HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{14}H_{10}FN_2O [M + H]^+$ 241.0777, found 241.0783; IR (film, ν/cm[−]¹) 3065, 1678, 1598, 1455,1398, 1292, 1255, 1166, 863, 825, 764, 448.

3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone $(2ma)$:^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a white solid (39 mg, 82%); mp 164-166 °C; ¹H N[M](#page-6-0)R (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.35−8.33 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (s, 1H), 7.82− 7.74 (m, 2H), 7.56−7.53 (m, 1H), 7.43−7.40 (m, 2H), 7.27−7.21 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 162.8, 160.3, 159.8, 146.8, 144.8, 133.7, 132.4 (d, J = 3.1 Hz), 127.9 (d, J = 8.8 Hz), 126.7 $(d, J = 15 \text{ Hz})$, 126.1, 121.2, 115.6 $(d, J = 23 \text{ Hz})$.

3-[4-(n-Butyl)phenyl]-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2na): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1) to give a light yellow solid (41 mg, 73%); mp 101−102 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.37–8.35 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.16 (s, 1H), 7.80−7.77 (m, 2H), 7.56−7.52 (m, 1H), 7.36−7.30 (m, 4H), 2.70− 2.67 (t, 2H), 1.68−1.61 (q, 2H), 1.44−1.37 (s, 2H), 0.97−0.93 (t, 3H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 159.7, 146.3, 145.4, 143.2, 133.9, 133.6, 128.6, 126.7, 126.2, 125.7, 121.3, 34.3, 32.4, 21.3, 12.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{18}N_2ONa$ [M + Na]⁺ 301.1317, found 301.1322; IR (film, ν /cm⁻¹) 2925, 1677, 1601, 1474, 1324, 1287, 1263, 1096, 1022, 798, 772, 477.

3-[4-(1,1-Dimethylethyl)phenyl]-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2oa): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate $= 3:1$) to give a light red solid (38 mg, 68%); mp 120−121 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.34 (s, 1H), 8.22–8.19 (dd, J = 8.0 Hz, J = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.90−7.86 (m, 1H), 7.75−7.73 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.61−7.56 (m, 3H), 7.47−7.45 (m, 2H), 1.34 (s, 9H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 160.5, 151.7, 148.2, 147.7, 135.5, 135.1, 127.9, 127.8, 127.4, 126.9, 126.5, 122.4, 34.9, 31.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{19}N_2O$ $[M + H]^+$ 279.1497, found 279.1504; IR (film, ν/cm^{-1}) 2961, 1686, 1606, 1512, 1469, 1294, 1262, 771.

3-(1-Naphthalenyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2pa): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a yellow solid (34 mg, 63%); mp 93−95 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 8.42− 8.40 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (s, 1H), 8.04–8.02 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.98−7.96 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.88−7.83 (m, 2H), 7.63−7.50 (m, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 161.1, 148.2, 146.9, 134.8, 134.4, 134.1, 130.3, 129.8, 128.7, 127.8, 127.8, 127.7, 127.3, 126.9, 126.0, 125.5, 122.4, 122.0; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{18}H_{13}N_2O$ $[M + H]^+$ 273.1028, found 273.1034; IR (film, ν/cm^{-1}) 3475, 2922, 1687, 1604, 1456, 1266, 774, 741, 699, 497.

3-(Phenylmethyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone $(2qa)$:^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate $= 3:1$) to give a li[ght](#page-6-0) yellow solid (20 mg, 42%); mp 117-118 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.33−8.31 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (s, 1H), 7.77−7.69 (m, 2H), 7.52−7.48 (m, 1H), 7.35−7.29 (m, 5H), 5.20 (s, 2H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 161.1, 148.0, 146.4, 135.7, 134.3, 129.1, 128.3, 128.0, 127.5, 127.4, 126.9, 122.2, 49.6.

3-(1-Methylethyl)-4(3H)-Quinazolinone ($2ra$):^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate $= 3:1$) to give a li[ght](#page-6-0) yellow solid (14) mg, 37%); mp 98-100 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.32−8.30 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (s, 1H), 7.77−7.69 (m, 2H),

7.52−7.48 (m, 1H), 5.23−5.16 (m, 1H), 1.50−1.49 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 6H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 160.7, 147.5, 143.6, 134.1, 127.3, 127.2, 126.9, 121.9, 46.0, 21.9.

3-Butyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2sa): 6b Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1) to give a lig[ht](#page-6-0) yellow solid (16 mg, 40%); mp 70−72 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.33–8.30 (d, J = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 8.10 (s, 1H), 7.78−7.71 (m, 2H), 7.53−7.49 (m, 1H), 4.03−4.00 (t, 2H), 1.82−1.75 (q, 2H), 1.45−1.39 (s, 2H), 0.99−0.96 (t, 3H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 160.9, 147.7, 146.7, 134.2, 127.3, 127.1, 126.7, 122.1, 46.9, 31.4, 19.9, 13.6.

3-Cyclohexyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ta):^{6b} Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = 3:1) to giv[e a](#page-6-0) light yellow solid (16 mg, 35%); mp 118−119 °C; ¹H NMR (4[0](#page-6-0)0 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.24−8.22 (dd, J₁ = 7.1 Hz, J₂ = 0.9 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.68−7.60 (m, 2H), 7.42−7.38 (m, 1H), 4.76−4.70 (m, 1H), 1.93−1.84 (m, 4H), 1.72−1.68 (m, 1H), 1.61−1.39 (m, 4H), 1.22−1.15 (m, 1H); 13C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.6, 146.4, 142.9, 133.1, 126.2, 126.1, 125.9, 120.9, 52.3, 31.5, 24.9, 24.3.

6-Methyl-3-phenyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ab): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a light yellow solid (34 mg, 72%); mp 107−108 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.15 (s, 1H), 8.08 (s, 1H), 7.68−7.60 (m, 2H), 7.57−7.47 (m, 3H), 7.43−7.41 (m, 2H), 2.51 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) $δ$ (ppm) 160.8, 145.8, 145.4, 138.0, 137.6, 136.0, 129.6, 129.1, 127.4, 127.0, 126.6, 122.1, 21.4; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₅H₁₃N₂O [M + H]+ 237.1028, found 237.1032; IR (film, ν/cm[−]¹) 3282, 3049, 2921, 1687, 1642, 1611, 1547, 1496, 834, 754.

6-Methoxy-3-phenyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ac): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a yellow solid (26 mg, 52%); mp 167–168 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.73−7.69 (m, 2H), 7.56−7.54 (m, 3H), 7.44−7.38 (m, 3H), 3.93 (s, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.6, 158.1, 143.0, 141.2, 136.6, 128.6, 128.1, 128.03, 125.9, 123.7, 122.2, 105.6, 54.9; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{15}H_{13}N_2O_2$ [M + H]⁺ 253.0977, found 253.0979; IR (film, ν /cm⁻¹) 3333, 3125, 2962, 2926, 1680, 1617, 1552, 1350, 1025, 802, 751, 568.

6-Fluoro-3-phenyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ad): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a white solid (33 mg, 69%); mp 205−206 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 8.09 (s, 1H), 8.00−7.98 (m, 1H), 7.80−7.76 (m, 1H), 7.58−7.48 (m, 4H), 7.43−7.41 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 162.7, 160.2, 160.1 (d, J = 3.3 Hz), 145.4 (d, J = 2 Hz), 144.5, 137.3, 130.0 (d, $J = 8$ Hz), 129.7, 129.3, 126.9, 123.1 (d, $J = 24$ Hz), 112.2 (d, $J = 23$ Hz); HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₀FN₂O [M + H]⁺ 241.0777, found 241.0778; IR (film, ν /cm⁻¹) 3113, 3053, 3029, 2916, 2853, 1594, 1483, 1284, 647, 500, 422.

6-Chloro-3-phenyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ae): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a yellow solid (35 mg, 68%); mp 190−191 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.32 (s, 1H), 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.73−7.70 (m, 2H), 7.58−7.48 (m, 3H), 7.43− 7.40 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.7, 146.4, 146.3, 137.2, 135.0, 133.6, 129.8, 129.3, 129.3, 126.9, 126.6, 123.5; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₀ClN₂O [M + H]⁺ 257.0482, found 257.0482; IR (film, v/cm⁻¹) 3043, 2920, 1677, 1611, 1592,1472, 1180, 832, 766, 644, 622.

6-Bromo-3-phenyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2af): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a white solid (45 mg, 75%); mp 185−186 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 8.486−8.480 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 8.12 (s, 1H), 7.89−7.86 (dd, J₁ = 8.6 Hz, $J_2 = 2.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.65−7.63(d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.58−7.48 (m, 3H), 7.42−7.40 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.6, 146.7, 146.4, 137.8, 137.2, 129.8, 129.7, 129.4, 129.3, 126.9, 123.8, 121.3; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for C₁₄H₁₀BrN₂O [M +

H]⁺ 300.9977, found 300.9977; IR (film, ν /cm⁻¹) 3061, 2922, 1679, 1591, 1508, 1267, 875, 749, 611, 486.

6-Nitro-3-phenyl-4(3H)-Quinazolinone (2ag): Synthesized according to a typical procedure and purified by column chromatography (petroleum ether/ethyl acetate = $3:1$) to give a yellow solid (35 mg, 65%); mp 223−224 °C; ¹ H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3) δ (ppm) 9.22− 9.21 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 8.60–8.57 (dd, J₁ = 8.9 Hz, J₂ = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 8.26 (s, 1H), 7.92−7.89 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.61−7.52 (m, 3H), 7.45−7.42 (m, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ (ppm) 159.6, 151.9, 148.9, 146.4, 136.7, 129.9, 129.7, 129.4, 128.7, 126.8, 123.8, 122.8; HRMS (ESI) m/z calcd for $C_{14}H_{10}N_3O_3$ [M + H]⁺ 268.0722, found 268.0727; IR (film, ν /cm⁻¹) 3023, 1743, 1683, 1615, 1568, 1398, 1273, 1098, 913, 849, 749, 547, 467.

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