Gold-Catalyzed β -Regioselective Formal [3 + 2] Cycloaddition of Ynamides with Pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazoles: Reaction Development and Mechanistic Insights

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ABSTRACT: Here, we report an unprecedented gold(I)-induced β -site regioselective formal [3 + 2] cycloaddition of ynamides with pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazoles, giving 3-amido-7-(pyrid-2'-yl)indoles in good to excellent yields. A complex of gold(I) catalyst with ynamide was isolated and characterized by X-ray diffraction analysis for the first time. Mechanistic investigations suggest the reaction pathway involves a gold-stabilized carbocation intermediate, which in turn participated in sequential C–H bond functionalization of the *ortho*-position of the phenyl ring.

INTRODUCTION

Ynamides are bench stable and easily accessible starting materials. In the past decade, a large library of nitrogencontaining molecules have been prepared via addition of nucleophiles to the α -site of ynamides (Scheme 1a).^{1,2} In contrast, the addition of nucleophiles at the β position of the triple bond is comparatively less common.^{3,4} Very recently, Marek,^{3a} Lam,^{3c} and others^{3d,e} reported carbometalation of ynamides in the presence of proper copper(I) or rhodium(I)salts, in which the tethered carbomate functionality was crucial for the β -regioselectivity by acting as a chelating group. Herein, we report the first gold-catalyzed β -regioselective cycloaddition of ynamides with external reagents, giving 3-amidoindole derivatives in an atom-economical manner (Scheme 1b). Hashmi^{4a} and Gagosz^{4b} have reported gold-catalyzed intramolecular cyclization of N-alkynyl tert-butyloxycarbomates independently. However, to our knowledge, gold-catalyzed intermolecular cycloaddition of ynamides with other reactants featuring β -regioselectivity has remained elusive to date.

Gold-catalyzed reactions of alkynes with nucleophiles have received considerable attention.⁵ Compared with the relatively well investigated approach to generate α -carbonyl gold– carbene,⁶ a similar but equally appealing concept on goldcatalyzed formation of α -imino carbene remains underdeveloped.⁷ Seminal works on gold-catalyzed nitrene transfer by intramolecular reaction of alkynyl azides were first described by Toste in 2005⁸ and further demonstrated by Zhang,⁹ Gagosz,¹⁰ and others.¹¹ Instead of azides, anthranils and other nitrene-transfer reagents have been used as nitrene precursors.¹² Intermolecular reactions of azides with ynamides have also been realized by Ye,¹³ Liu,¹⁴ and our group^{15a,b} very recently. In conjunction with our continuing interest in nitrogen-containing molecule synthesis via α -imino carbene intermediates,¹⁵ we envisioned that gold-catalyzed reaction of ynamide **1a** with azide **b** might generate intermediate **B**, which in turn will undergo intramolecular cyclization with a tethered pyridinyl moiety, eventually leading to the formation of fused tricyclic compound **1ab** (Scheme 2).

Herein, we present our detailed studies toward this goal and disclose an unprecedented gold-catalyzed annulation of ynamides with pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazoles, providing 3-amino-7- (pyrid-2'-yl)indoles in good to excellent yields. The regiose-lectivity of the current transformation suggests an unusual β -site cycloaddition of ynamide was involved. A series of mechanistic studies were performed to get valuable information on the reaction pathways. Moreover, a complex of gold catalyst

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Scheme 1. Gold-Catalyzed Formal Cycloaddition of Ynamides



Scheme 2. Initial Attempts toward Original Hypothesis



with ynamide was isolated for the first time and characterized by single-crystal X-ray analysis.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Optimization Studies and Substrate Scope. To test our hypothesis, the reaction of ynamide 1a and 2-(2-azidophenyl)pyridine (b) was evaluated initially (Scheme 2). Using JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ (Echavarren's catalyst, 5 mol %) as catalyst,¹⁶ azide **b** was completely consumed after heating at 100 °C for 29 h in DCE (1,2-dichloroethane), while most ynamide 1a remained intact, and the suspecting product 1ab was not observed from the reaction mixture. Pyrido[1,2b]indazole (2a) was obtained as the major product, which was presumably resulting from the ring closure of **b** by thermolysis.¹⁷ Surprisingly, a new compound which was identified as 3-amino-7-(pyrid-2'-yl)indole (3aa)¹⁸ was obtained in 5% yield upon isolation. Unambiguous proof of structure and regioselectivity was achieved by single-crystal Xray analysis. Pleasingly, under otherwise identical conditions but replacing **b** with pyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2a), 3aa was obtained as the sole product in nearly quantitative yield. It is worth mentioning that Hashmi^{12a} and Ye^{12c} reported elegant gold-catalyzed annulations of anthranils or isoxazoles with vnamides to synthesize polysubstituted pyrroles or 7acylindoles very recently. In their report, α -site regiocontrolled addition of ynamides occurred exclusively. In contrast, the precise structure of 3aa suggests an unusual β -site addition of ynamide 1a takes place here. This observation indicates that a key reaction intermediate distinct from well-accepted ketenimium ion was involved in this novel transformation (vide infra).

As one of the most important classes of heterocycles, indole scaffolds are embedded in a wide range of natural products and pharmaceuticals.¹⁹ Therefore, the development of efficient methodologies to access these compounds has received long-term attention.²⁰ Compared with a normal indole moiety, the classic Fisher cyclization is not applicable to preparation of 7- (pyrid-2'-yl)indoles.²¹ Moreover, regarding their potential utilities in pharmaceuticals and material science,^{21b,22,23} and the abnormal β -regioselective addition of the ynamides in current transformation, we decided to explore the reaction of ynamides with pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazole systematically.

As depicted in Table 1, a series of gold catalysts containing different counteranions and ligands were examined. JohnphosAuNTf₂ was found to be less reactive (entry 2). Other cationic catalysts bearing simple phosphine or N-heterocyclic carbene ligands including PPh₃AuNTf₂, IAdAu(PhCN)SbF₆, and IPrAuNTf₂ were proven to be less efficient or totally inactive (entries 4–8). AgSbF₆ or HOTf showed no catalytic activity for the reaction (entries 9 and 10). The effects of solvent were also examined (entries 11–15). CH₂Cl₂, toluene, and CHCl₃ were proper reaction media, while low yields of indole **3aa** were observed when the reactions were performed in MeNO₂ or MeCN.

With a set of efficient reaction conditions established (Table 1, entry 1), the reaction scope was explored by using pyrido[1,2-b] indazole (2a) as the nitrene precursor. The results are shown in Table 2. In general, both electron-donating (methyl, ethyl, and methoxyl, cf. 3ba-da) and electron-

	Ph			
	^t Bu PtBu Johnphos	^{tBu} P ^{,,,,,t} Bu ⁱ Pr ⁱ Pr ⁱ Pr ⁱ Pr	$R \sim N \sim R$ IAd: R = 1-adamantyl IPr: R = 2,6-(ⁱ Pr) ₂ C ₆ H ₃ IMes: R = 2,4,6-(Me) ₃ C ₆ H ₂	
entry	cat.	solvent	time (h)	yield ^b (%)
1	JohnPhosAu(MeCN)SbF ₆	DCE	11	96 (95) ^c
2	JohnPhosAuNTf ₂	DCE	16	88
3	JohnPhosAuCl	DCE	16	
4	PPh ₃ AuNTf ₂	DCE	16	31
5	^t BuXPhosAu(MeCN)SbF ₆	DCE	22	8
6	IAdAu(PhCN)SbF ₆	DCE	16	12
7	$IPrAuNTf_2$	DCE	16	
8	IMesAuSbF ₆	DCE	16	
9	AgSbF ₆	DCE	16	
10	HOTf	DCE	16	
11	JohnPhosAu(MeCN)SbF ₆	DCM	16	85
12	JohnPhosAu(MeCN)SbF ₆	toluene	16	86
13	JohnPhosAu(MeCN)SbF ₆	CHCl ₃	16	83
14	JohnPhosAu(MeCN)SbF ₆	MeNO ₂	16	66
15	JohnPhosAu(MeCN)SbF ₆	MeCN	16	71

^a 1a (0.2 mmol), 2a (0.24 mmol), and 5 mol % of catalysts were stirred in solvent (1 mL) at 100 °C for the proper reaction time. ^bDetermined by ¹H NMR using CH₂Br₂ as internal standard. ^cYield given within parentheses refers to the pure product.

withdrawing groups (fluoro, chloro and bromo, cf. 3ea-ia) on the phenyl ring of ynamides 1 were tolerated, furnishing the corresponding indoles in good to excellent yields. Moreover, ynamides bearing 1-naphthyl or 2-naphthyl at the terminal position of the triple bond were viable substrates. Compounds 3ja and 3ka were obtained in 99% and 82% yield, respectively. Ynamide (11), derived from hex-1-yne, could participate in the reaction, albeit with 42% yield (cf. 3la). The reaction of ynamide 1m bearing a chiral auxiliary group proceeded well, furnishing indole 3ma in 76% yield. Given the abundance and the easy accessibility of chiral oxazolidin-2-ones, such kinds of 7-(pyrid-2'-yl)indoles may have synthetic potential in the area of chiral bidentated anion ligands.

Subsequently, the generality and limitation of pyrido [1,2b]indazoles for the reaction with ynamide 1a was investigated under the standard reaction conditions. As depicted in Table 3, a broad set of substituents on pyrido[1,2-b]indazole were proven to be compatible (3ab-ap). Notably, electron-withdrawing groups (R²) trended to speed up the reaction and afford the corresponding products in higher yields (Table 3 and Scheme S1).

Mechanistic Studies: Detection and Characterization of Reaction Intermediates. The unusual regioselectivity of gold-catalyzed annulation between ynamides and pyrido[1,2b]indazoles is intriguing. To gain a deeper understanding on the reaction mechanism, a series of experiments were subsequently conducted. The stoichiometric reactions of 1a and 2a with catalyst JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ were monitored

by ³¹P NMR spectroscopy in CDCl₃ at room temperature (Figure 1 and Figure S1). Treatment of 1a with JohnphosAu-(MeCN)SbF₆ generated a new species with ³¹P NMR shift at 64.28 ppm (Figure 1c), which has been identified as the adduct of 1a with the cationic gold catalyst. The structure of this complex was confirmed by X-ray crystallography,²⁴ which contained a fused bicyclic five-membered-ring system (Figure 2). Compared with the extensive studies on gold-catalyzed formal cycloaddition of ynamides in recent years, the current outcome is noteworthy. The well-accepted keteniminium ion intermediate, which would commonly lead to an α -site-selective cycloaddition product, was not observed. More importantly, in previous reports, the activation mode of gold catalyst with ynamide is somewhat speculative. No direct evidence for the actual reaction intermediate has been described. The adduct obtained here represents the first isolated gold complex with ynamide, and it well explained the unusual β -site regioselective addition observed in the current transformation. Encouraged by this discovery, further systematic examinations on the complexation of gold catalysts with other ynamides will be the subject of future studies.

On the other hand, the reaction of 2a with JohnphosAu- $(MeCN)SbF_6$ gave JohnphosAu $(2a)SbF_6$. The structure of this complex was also confirmed by X-ray crystallography (Figure 3), and the corresponding ³¹P NMR showed a chemical shift at 59.03 ppm (Figure 1b). Interestingly, upon addition of 2a to the mixture of JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ and 1a, the peak for JohnphosAu(1a)SbF₆ disappeared with concomitant formation

Table 2. Reaction Scope of Ynamides^a



^{*a*}All reactions were carried out on a 0.2 mmol scale with 5 mol % of JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ as catalyst at 100 °C in DCE, [1] = 0.1 M. ^{*b*}10 mol % of catalyst was employed.

of a new species, showing a chemical shift at 64.63 ppm (Figure 1d). Although attempts to crystallize the corresponding threecomponent adduct were not successful, a new species was detected by high-resolution mass spectrometry (HR-MS, m/z 850.2901, Figure S2), which could be assigned to a complex of gold catalyst with 1a and 2a, namely JohnphosAu(1a)(2a)SbF₆.

Kinetic studies for the gold-catalyzed reaction of 1a and 2a were further carried out to get better understanding of the reaction mechanism. The reaction was found to be first order in JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ (Figure 4 and Figure S3) and zeroorder in both 1a and 2a (Figures S4 and S5). Increasing the concentration of 2a slightly depressed reaction rates, suggesting that 2a may partially poison the gold catalyst. When the temperature was varied from 313 to 335 K (Figure 5 and Figure S6), activation parameters $\Delta H^{\ddagger} = 16.8$ kcal mol⁻¹ and $\Delta S^{\ddagger} =$ -19.1 cal mol⁻¹ K⁻¹ were obtained from Eyring plots. The negative ΔS^{\ddagger} value is consistent with our NMR experiments. Kinetics for the reactions of various para-substituted ynamides 1 with 2a were also carried out. A fairly linear Hammett correlation between $\log(k_{\rm X}/k_{\rm H})$ and σ was obtained with a reaction constant of $\rho = -2.15$ (Figure 6 and Figure S7), The large negative ρ value suggests that the transition state of the reaction is polarized with positive charge at the reaction center.

C-H bond functionalization of the aromatic ring was involved in current transformation. To identify whether cleavage of the C-H bond at the *ortho*-position of pyrido-[1,2-b] indazoles **2a** is involved as the rate-determining step, kinetic isotope effect studies of parallel experiments were

carried out (Scheme 3 and Figure 7). As depicted, no significant kinetic isotope effect ($k_{\rm H}/k_{\rm D} = 1.07$) was observed, suggesting that C–H bond cleavage was not involved in the rate-determining step.

Collectively, plausible mechanistic rationales for current indole synthesis were outlined in Scheme 4. Coordination of ynamide 1a to the gold catalyst C would generate intermediate E bearing a transient five-membered ring. A nucleophilic attack of E by 2a gave F. Ring opening of the pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazole (*b* ring) led to the formation of intermediate G. Intramolecular sp² C-H bond functionalization ($\mathbf{G} \rightarrow \mathbf{H}$), followed by protodeauration and isomerization, would furnish the final product 3-aminoindole 3aa. Since enhanced reaction rate and efficiency were observed by setting up electron-withdrawing groups onto a ring (Table 3 and Scheme S1),²⁵ pathways akin to Friedel-Crafts-type alkylation or C-H bond insertion of gold carbene intermediate were unlikely.

During the testing of the scope of ynamides, we found that the reaction of ynamides bearing a sulfonyl protecting group on the nitrogen atom led to no formation of the corresponding 3amidoindoles (results not shown). Notably, when ynamide 4, possessing a Cbz (benzyl carbamate) protected amide moiety, was employed instead of 1a, the target indole was not obtained either (Scheme 5). These observations further highlight the critical role of the oxazolidin-2-onyl moiety for current β regioselective formal cycloaddition.

Table 3. Reaction Scope of Pyrido [1,2-b] indazole^a



"All reactions were carried out on a 0.2 mmol scale with 5 mol % of JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ as catalyst at 100 °C in DCE, [1a] = 0.1 M.



Figure 1. ³¹P NMR spectroscopy of (a) 10 mmol of JohnposAu(MeCN)SbF₆ (b) mixture of 10 mmol of JohnposAu(MeCN)SbF₆ and 10 mmol of $2a_{1}$ (c) mixture of 10 mmol of JohnposAu(MeCN)SbF₆ and 20 mmol of $1a_{1}$ (d) mixture of 10 mmol of JohnposAu(MeCN)SbF₆ 20 mmol of $1a_{1}$ and 20 mmol of 2a in 0.5 mL of CDCl₃.

CONCLUSIONS

In summary, we have demonstrated a novel gold-catalyzed formal [3 + 2] cycloaddition of ynamides with pyrido[1,2-b] indazoles, furnishing 3-amido-7-(pyrid-2'-yl)indoles in good to excellent yields. Compared with previous relatively extensive studies on gold-catalyzed reactions of ynamides, the current transformation has showcased an unusual β -site-regioselective formal cycloaddition of pyrido[1,2-b] indazoles 2 to ynamides 1,

thus leading 3-amidoindoles exclusively. According to this activation mode, we believe that a number of new reactions that feature β -site regioselective addition of ynamides will be uncovered in the near future.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

General Information. JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆,¹⁶ ynamides 1,²⁶ and pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazoles 2^{17} were prepared according to literature methods. All reactions were carried out with standard Schlenk



Figure 2. X-ray structure of JohnphosAu(1a)SbF₆. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure 3. X-ray structure of JohnphosAu(2a)SbF₆. Hydrogen atoms have been omitted for clarity.



Figure 4. Plot of ln(initial rate) vs ln([Au]). y = 1.0117x - 3.7141, $R^2 = 0.9892$. The slope of the line is approximately 1, indicating that the rate for the reaction is first order in JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆.

techniques under argon. All reagents were used as received from commercial suppliers unless otherwise stated. All solvents were



Figure 5. Plot of ln(initial rate/*T*) vs 1/T for the reaction between **1a** and **2a** in CDCl₃, [**1a**] = 0.10 M, [**2a**] = 60 mM, [Au] = 2.5 mM. Slope = -8.51×10^3 , *y*-intercept =1.00 \times 10, R^2 = 0.999.

purified by distillation following standard procedures. Reaction progress was monitored by thin-layer chromatography (TLC), and



Figure 6. Hammett plot of $log(k_X/k_H)$ vs σ for the reaction of **2a** with *para*-substituted ynamides **1** in CDCl₃ at 60 °C, [**1a**] = 0.10 M, [**2a**] = 60 mM, [Au] = 2.5 mM. Slope = -2.15, *y*-intercept =0.11, R^2 = 0.967.

components were visualized by observation under UV light at 254 nm. Flash column chromatography was performed using silica gel 60 (200–300 mesh). High-resolution mass spectrometry was performed on a UHR TOF LC/MS mass spectrometer. All ¹H, ¹³C, and ³¹P NMR spectra were recorded on a 400 MHz spectrometer (¹H 400 MHz, ¹³C 100 MHz, ³¹P 162 MHz) using CDCl₃ as solvent. Chemical shifts were reported in parts per million (ppm, δ). ¹H NMR spectra are referenced to the peak of tetramethylsilane (δ = 0.00) and reported as follows: chemical shift (ppm), multiplicity (s = singlet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet), and coupling constant (Hz). ¹³C NMR spectra are referenced to the solvent center peak of CDCl₃ (δ = 77.0). ³¹P NMR spectra are referenced to the peak of the peak of H₃PO₄ (δ = 0.00). Crystallographic data are available.²⁷

Synthesis of Pyrido[1,2-b]indazole 2. A solution of 2-phenylpyridine (2 mmol), $[Cp*RhCl_2]_2$ (4 mol %), PhI(OAc)₂ (1.5 equiv), and *p*-TsOH·H₂O (1.5 equiv) in 15 mL of acetone was stirred at room temperature for 15 min. After addition of NaN₃ (6 mmol), the reaction mixture was stirred at 50 °C for 16 h. Then the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using EA/PE as eluent to afford the azidation product 2-(2-azidophenyl)pyridine (b) in 88% yield. 2-(2-Azidophenyl)pyridine (b) and dry dioxane (5 mL) were charged into a pressure tube under nitrogen. After the mixture was stirred at 125 °C for 8–20 h, the solvent was removed on a rotary evaporator and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 10:1) to afford the product pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazole (2a).

¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectral Data for the Prepared Substrates. 2-(2-Azidophenyl)pyridine (b): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.71 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 7.74–7.65 (m, 3H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H),



Figure 7. Kinetic profiles for the gold-catalyzed annulation of ynamides 1a with pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazoles 2a-H (black) and 2a-D (red). Yields were obtained by ¹H MNR using dibromomethane as internal standard. Standard reaction conditions: [1a] = 0.10 M, [2a] = 0.12 M, [Au] = 5 mM in 2.0 mL of CDCl₃ under argon at 60 °C.

7.26–7.22 (m, 3H); $^{13}C\{H\}NMR$ (100 MHz, CDCl₃) $\delta155.7,$ 149.4, 137.1, 135.8, 132.1, 131.4, 129.8, 125.0, 124.8, 122.1, 118.7.

Pyrido[1,2-*b*]*indazole* (**2a**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.77 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.08 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.56 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.15 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.6, 135.3, 128.4, 127.9, 121.9, 119.8, 119.7, 117.9, 116.2, 115.5, 115.1.

3-Fluoropyrido[1,2-b]indazole (**2b**): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.72 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.02–8.96 (m, 2H), 7.41–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.16–7.12 (m, 1H), 7.00–6.94 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 163.3 (d, J = 244 Hz), 150.2 (d, J = 13 Hz), 135.5, 128.1, 122.9, 121.5 (d, J = 11 Hz), 117.5, 116.0, 112.1, 110.4 (d, J = 27 Hz), 99.4 (d, J = 24 Hz).

3-Chloropyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2c): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.77 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.09 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.81 (s, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.16 (m, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.0, 135.4, 134.3, 128.2, 122.8, 121.0, 120.9, 117.9, 116.6, 114.7, 113.6.

3-Bromopyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2d): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.72 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.96 (s, 1H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.36 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27–7.17 (m, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.3, 135.3, 128.1, 123.1, 122.8, 122.4, 121.1, 117.9, 117.8, 116.6, 113.8.

3-Methylpyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2e): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.76 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (s, 1H), 7.33 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.16–7.06 (m, 2H),

Scheme 3. Kinetic Isotope Effect Experiments



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Scheme 4. Mechanistic Rationale



Scheme 5. Reaction of Ynamide 4 with 2a



2.57 (s, 3H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}\{\mathrm{H}\}\mathrm{NMR}$ (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.3, 138.6, 135.3, 127.9, 122.4, 121.9, 119.3, 117.6, 115.7, 114.3, 113.3, 22.4.

3-Methoxypyrido[*1*,2-*b*]*indazole* (*2f*): pale yellow solid; yield 244 mg, 61%; mp 102–104 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.72 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.12–7.07 (m, 2H), 6.90 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (s, 4H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 160.7, 151.2, 135.4, 127.9, 122.3, 120.6, 117.1, 114.9, 113.5, 110.0, 93.8, 55.3; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 1649.0, 1604.5, 1557.7, 1475.2, 1431.5, 1324.5, 1290.3, 1214.9, 1197.9, 1163.3, 801.9, 758.7, 740.6 cm⁻¹; HRMS (EI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₁N₂O 199.0871, found 199.0866.

Methyl pyrido[1,2-*b*]*indazole-3-carboxylate* (**2g**): pale yellow solid; yield 80.0 mg, 15%; mp 180–182 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.83 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 8.61 (s, 1H), 8.15 (dd, *J* = 16.0, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.87 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.42 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 4.00 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.5, 149.0, 135.3, 130.1, 128.2, 122.5, 119.9, 119.7, 118.9, 118.6, 117.6, 117.2, 52.3; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 1715.2, 1432.8, 1366.5, 1303.1, 1219.8, 1144.2, 1081.6, 751.7, 720.6 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₃H₁₁N₂O₂ 227.0821, found 227.0815.

3-Phenylpyrido[1,2-*b*]*indazole* (**2h**): pale yellow solid; yield 297 mg, 61%; mp 120–121 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.80 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 8.15 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 8.03 (s, 1H), 7.75 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 7.52–7.36 (m, 5H), 7.21–7.18 (t, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl3) δ 150.3, 141.7, 141.6, 135.3, 128.8, 128.0, 127.6, 127.4, 122.1, 120.14, 120.07, 117.9, 116.2, 114.4, 113.4;

IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}=$ 1644.7, 1596.9, 1533.4, 1507.6, 1421.1, 1362.7, 1339.1, 1212.6, 753.8, 741.3, 722.0 cm^{-1}; HRMS (ESI) $m/z~[M+H]^+$ calcd for $C_{17}H_{13}N_2$ 245.1079, found 245.1073.

2-Chloropyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2i): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.72 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.00–7.98 (m,2H), 7.74 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (dd, J = 9.2, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.34–7.30 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.15 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 147.9, 134.7, 129.3, 128.0, 125.0, 122.3, 118.8, 118.0, 117.0, 116.6, 115.6.

2-Bromopyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2j): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.77 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 8.23 (s, 1H), 8.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, *J* = 46, 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 148.1, 134.6, 131.7, 128.1, 122.5, 122.2, 118.0, 117.3, 116.8, 116.4, 112.5.

1-Methylpyrido[1,2-b]indazole (**2k**): pale yellow oil; yield 96.0 mg, 26%; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.77 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 1H), 8.13 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.25 (m, 2H), 7.14–6.96 (m, 2H), 2.80 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.7, 135.6, 132.1, 128.3, 127.8, 121.8, 120.2, 119.5, 115.6, 114.8, 113.0, 20.3; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 1635.6, 1599.4, 1532.4, 1511.9, 1440.0, 1218.4, 1142.8, 785.7, 740.5, 718.4 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₂H₁₁N₂ 183.0922, found 183.0917.

1-Chloropyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2l): pale yellow solid; yield 132 mg, 32%; mp 90–91 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.76 (d, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 8.53 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.5, 135.1, 128.6, 127.9, 127.0, 122.7, 120.1, 119.7, 116.8, 114.1,

113.3; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 1642.0, 1600.3, 1511.5, 1436.4, 1408.6, 1358.9, 1215.7, 1137.4, 950.9, 784.2, 740.7, 712.9 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₈ClN₂ 203.0376, found 203.0371.

8-Methylpyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2m): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.59 (s, 1H), 8.03 (dd, J = 16, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.82 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.22–7.19 (m, 2H), 2.49 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.5, 133.7, 127.9, 126.5, 126.2, 124.7, 119.5, 119.4, 117.1, 115.4, 115.1, 18.58.

8-Chloropyrido[1,2-b]indazole (2n): pale yellow solid; yield 110 mg, 27%; mp 157–159 °C; ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.77 (d, J = 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (dd, J = 12.4, 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.83 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.58–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.0, 133.7, 128.6, 126.1, 124.2, 123.0, 120.6, 119.5, 117.9, 115.9, 115.2; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 1598.8, 1511.6, 1436.8, 1354.1, 1329.0, 1315.2, 1074.6, 798.7, 740.6, 710.4 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₁₁H₈ClN₂ 203.0376, found 203.0371.

9-Methylpyrido[1,2-b]indazole (20): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.64 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84–7.78 (m, 2H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.17 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.98–6.97 (m, 1H), 2.51 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 150.0, 135.4, 133.0, 128.3, 127.2, 119.8, 119.1, 118.5, 116.8, 115.3, 114.5, 21.2.

Pyrimido[1,2-*b*]*indazole* (**2***p*): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.98 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 8.63 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 8.33 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.85 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.34 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd, *J* = 6.8, 4.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 151.3, 145.2, 143.8, 133.7, 130.0, 121.1, 120.7, 116.1, 113.3, 111.6.

Au-Catalyzed Cycloaddition of Ynamides 1 with Pyrido[1,2b]indazoles 2. General Method. A pressure tube equipped with a magnetic stirrer bar was charged with JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ (5 mol %), ynamide 1 (0.2 mmol), pyrido[1,2-b]indazole 2 (0.24 mmol), and solvent (1 mL). The reaction was stirred for 11 h at 100 °C. Then the solvent was removed under vacuum, and the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (ethyl acetate/petroleum ether = 2:1), providing the desired compound 3.

Method for **3fa**, **3ga**, **3ha**, and **3ma**. To a solution of JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ (5 mol %) in dry DCE were added ynamide 1 (0.2 mmol) and pyrido[1,2-*b*]indazole 2 (0.24 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 4 h at 100 °C, and then another portion of JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ (5 mol %) was added. After the reaction was complete (detected by TLC), the solvent was removed under vacuum, and the residue was purified by column chromatography using PE/EA as eluent to provide the desired compound.

¹H and ¹³C NMR Spectral Data for the Prepared Products. 3-(2-Phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3aa**): pale yellow solid; yield 67.4 mg, 95%; mp 142–143 °C; $R_f = 0.30$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.67 (s, 1H), 8.73– 8.71 (m, 1H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.83–7.75 (m, 4H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.44–7.41 (m, 1H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 2H), 4.53 (d, J = 8.0 Hz,2H), 3.85 (d, J = 8.0 Hz,2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.4, 148.6, 136.7, 134.2, 133.16, 131.2, 129.2, 128.5, 127.2, 126.3, 121.6, 121.0, 120.4, 120.3, 119.9, 119.5, 110.1, 62.6, 47.6; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3686$, 3308, 1750, 1590, 1438, 1271, 1110, 778, 689 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₈N₃O₂ 356.1399, found 356.1394.

3-(2-(4-Methoxyphenyl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)-oxazolidin-2-one (**3ba** $): pale yellow solid; yield 70.5 mg, 91%; mp 170–171 °C; <math>R_f = 0.15$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.57 (s, 1H), 8.69 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.78–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.59 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.25–7.19 (m, 2H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 4.50 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 3.82 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.8, 158.1, 157.4, 148.5, 136.7, 134.2, 132.9, 128.5, 126.4, 123.6, 121.5, 120.7, 120.3, 120.0, 119.8, 119.1, 114.5, 109.2, 62.5, 55.3, 47.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3295$, 1746, 1590, 1513, 1262, 1032, 775 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₃O₃ 386.1505, found 386.1499.

3-(7-(Pyridin-2-yl)-2-(p-tolyl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ca**): white solid; yield 68.1 mg, 92%; mp 237–238 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) 11.63 (s, 1H), 8.71 (d, J

= 3.6 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82–7.78 (m, 2H), 7.66– 7.61 (m, 3H), 7.34–7.21 (m, 4H), 4.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.44 (s, 3H);¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.4, 148.6, 138.5, 136.7, 134.4, 133.0, 129.8, 128.3, 127.1, 126.4, 121.5, 120.9, 120.4, 120.1, 119.9, 119.3, 109.7, 62.6, 47.5, 21.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3327$, 1745, 1413, 1268, 1032, 817, 777, 656 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) $m/z [M + H]^+$ calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₃O₂ 370.1556, found 370.1550.

3-(2-(4-*E*thylphenyl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1*H*-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3da**): pale yellow solid; yield 76.4 mg, 99%; mp 127–128 °C; R_f = 0.25 (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.63 (s, 1H), 8.68 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.78–7.59(m, 5H), 7.36–7.19 (m, 4H), 4.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (q, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 1.30 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.4, 148.5, 144.7, 136.7, 134.3, 133.0, 128.6, 128.5, 127.1, 126.4, 121.5, 120.8, 120.3, 120.1, 119.8, 119.3, 109.7, 62.5, 47.5, 28.7, 15.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3327, 2965, 1742, 1588, 1415, 1268, 1102, 773, 638 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₂N₃O₂ 384.1712, found 384.1707.

3-(2-(4-Fluorophenyl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3ea**): pale yellow solid; yield 74.2 mg, 99%; mp 183–184 °C; R_f = 0.33 (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.63 (s, 1H), 8.69 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79–7.70 (m, 4H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26–7.18 (m, 4H), 4.51 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 162.7 (d, *J* = 248 Hz), 158.1, 157.2, 148.5, 136.7, 133.4, 133.0, 129.0 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 127.3 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz), 126.2, 121.6, 120.9, 120.5, 120.3, 119.8, 119.3, 116.2 (d, *J* = 21.0 Hz), 110.0, 62.5, 47.5. ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –112.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3308, 1746, 1507, 1412, 1230, 1113, 1032, 775, 661 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇FN₃O₂ 374.1305, found 374.1299.

3-(2-(4-Chlorophenyl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3fa**): white solid; yield 67.7 mg, 87%; mp 215–216 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.68 (s, 1H), 8.71 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.81–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.68 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.61 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.48 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 2H), 4.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.3, 148.6, 136.8, 134.4, 133.2, 133.1, 129.6, 129.4, 128.4, 126.2, 121.7, 121.0, 120.6, 120.5, 119.9, 119.4, 110.5, 62.6, 47.6; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3369$, 1758, 1742, 1493, 1408, 1271, 1252, 1118, 773, 592 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇ClN₃O₂ 390.1009, found 390.1004.

3-(2-(4-Bromophenyl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ga**): pale yellow solid; yield 63.6 mg, 73%; mp 198–199 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.68 (s, 1H), 8.71 (d, J = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.65–7.60 (m, SH), 7.28–7.22 (m, 2H), 4.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.3, 148.6, 136.8, 133.3, 133.1, 132.3, 130.0, 128.7, 126.2, 122.6, 121.7, 121.0, 120.62, 120.57,, 119.9, 119.5, 110.5, 62.6, 47.6; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3373$, 1739, 1592, 1414, 1271, 1034, 769, 745, 582 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇BrN₃O₂ 434.0504, found 434.0499.

3-(2-(3-Chlorophenyl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ha**): white solid; yield 72.6 mg, 93%; mp 192–193 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.71 (s, 1H), 8.76–8.74 (m, 1H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.85–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.73 (t, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.62 (m, 2H), 7.47–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.24 (m, 2H), 4.58–4.54 (m, 2H), 3.89–3.85 (m, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 157.2, 148.6, 136.8, 135.1, 133.3, 132.9, 132.6, 130.5, 128.4, 127.0, 126.1, 125.4, 121.7, 121.1, 120.70, 120.65, 119.9, 119.6, 110.9, 62.6, 47.6;IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3676$, 3336, 3055, 2909, 1739, 1594, 1424, 1272, 1119, 769, 676 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇ClN₃O₂ 390.1009, found 390.1004.

3-(2-(2-Chlorophenyl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ia**): pale yellow solid; yield 68.5 mg, 88%; mp 144–145 °C; R_f = 0.33 (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.78 (s, 1H), 8.67 (d, *J* = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84–7.66 (m, 4H), 7.57–7.54 (m, 1H), 7.41–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.30–7.20 (m, 2H), 4.44 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.7, 157.2, 148.5, 136.6, 133.1, 132.9, 132.1, 131.1, 130.2,

 130.1, 130.0, 127.2, 125.2, 121.5, 121.0, 120.4, 120.3, 119.79, 119.76,
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 111.9, 62.5, 47.5; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3357, 1744, 1430, 1399, 1221, 1034,
 129.2, 128.9, 12

767, 744 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇ClN₃O₂ 390.1009, found 390.1004. *3*-(2-(*Naphthalen-1-yl*)-7-(*pyridin-2-yl*)-1*H-indol-3-yl*)*oxazolidin-*2-*one* (*3ja*): white solid; yield 80.9 mg, 99%; mp 123–124 °C; R_f = 0.33 (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.63 (s, 1H), 8.57 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 8.05 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 8.00–7.95 (m, 2H), 7.86 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.81–7.73 (m, 3H), 7.63–7.49 (m, 3H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19–7.16 (m, 1H), 4.21 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.53 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.6, 157.4, 148.5, 136.7, 133.6, 133.2, 132.7, 131.8, 129.4, 128.8, 128.5, 128.4, 127.1, 126.4, 125.6, 125.5, 121.5, 121.0, 120.4, 120.3, 119.9, 119.8, 112.3, 62.3, 47.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3337, 1749, 1589, 1397, 1270, 1103, 772, 656 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₂₀N₃O₂ 406.1556, found 406.1550.

3-(2-(Naphthalen-2-yl)-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ka**): pale yellow solid; yield 66.1 mg, 82%; mp 115–116 °C; $R_f = 0.30$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.76 (s, 1H), 8.71 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.18 (s, 1H), 8.00–7.75 (m, 7H), 7.64 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.56–7.50 (m, 2H), 7.28–7.19 (m, 2H), 4.49 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.3, 148.6, 136.7, 134.1, 133.4, 133.3, 133.0, 128.9, 128.5, 128.3, 127.7, 126.7, 126.6, 126.33, 126.26, 124.7, 121.6, 120.9, 120.5, 120.4, 119.9, 119.5, 110.5, 62.6, 47.5; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3336$, 1749, 1590, 1398, 1270, 1110, 771, 747,643 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₆H₂₀N₃O₂ 406.1556, found 406.1550.

3-(2-Butyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3la**): pale yellow solid; yield 27.9 mg, 42%; mp 142–143 °C; $R_f = 0.30$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.21 (s, 1H), 8.72 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 8.00 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.81–7.77 (m, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 2H), 4.58 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 4.01 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.83 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 1.80–1.72 (m, 2H), 1.52–1.42 (m, 2H), 0.98 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.7, 157.6, 148.5, 137.0, 136.6, 132.5, 125.7, 121.4, 120.4, 120.0, 119.9, 119.7, 119.1, 118.4, 109.6, 62.3, 48.3, 31.0, 25.6, 22.6, 13.8; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3364, 2921, 1750, 1467, 1404, 1263, 771 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₀H₂₂N₃O₂ 336.1712, found 336.1707.

(S)-4-Benzyl-3-(2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ma**): white solid; yield 67.7 mg, 76%; mp 86–87 °C; $R_f = 0.50$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.69 (s, 1H), 8.73 (d, J = 4.4 Hz, 1H), 8.04 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (dd, J =15.6, 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.66 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.42 (m, 3H), 7.31– 7.22 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.13 (m, 3H), 6.85 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 2H), 4.37–4.21 (m, 3H), 2.86 (d, J = 12.8 Hz, 1H), 2.50 (s, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.4, 148.6, 136.8, 135.6, 133.3, 131.3, 129.1, 128.8, 128.6, 128.6, 127.6, 126.8, 121.6, 121.0, 120.6, 120.4, 120.0, 119.6, 108.7, 67.9, 59.7, 39.2; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3339$, 2924, 1757, 1590, 1439, 1396, 1270, 1119, 769, 698 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₉H₂₄N₃O₂ 446.1869, found 446.1863.

3-(4-Fluoro-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3ab**): pale yellow solid; yield 74.0 mg, 99%; mp 186–187 °C; R_f = 0.30 (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CD₃CN) δ 12.02 (s, 1H), 8.78 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H),8.08 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.92–7.82 (m, 4H), 7.59–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.46 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.32 (m, 1H), 6.99–6.94 (m, 1H), 4.56–4.49 (m, 2H), 4.04–3.98 (m, 1H), 3.86–3.81 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.6, 156.6, 156.4 (d, *J* = 248 Hz), 148.4, 136.8, 135.8 (d, *J* = 11.0 Hz), 135.1, 130.5, 129.1, 128.7, 127.2, 121.4, 121.1 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz), 119.6, 117.5 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz), 114.9 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz), 108.3, 105.9 (d, *J* = 20.0 Hz), 62.6, 48.6 (d, *J* = 3.0 Hz); ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, CDCl₃) δ –120.2; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3321, 1754, 1593, 1468, 1270, 1124, 760, 694 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇FN₃O₂ 374.1305, found 374.1299.

3-(4-Chloro-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3ac**): pale yellow solid; yield 76.2 mg, 97%; mp 231–232 °C; R_f = 0.33 (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.95 (s, 1H), 8.66 (d, *J* = 3.6 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.77–7.64 (m, 4H), 7.54–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 2H), 4.62–4.56 (m, 1H), 4.49–4.42 (m, 1H), 4.09–4.02 (m, 1H), 3.75–3.70 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.0, 156.6, 148.5, 136.9, 136.6, 134.5, 130.5, 129.2, 128.9, 127.4, 125.8, 123.4, 121.8, 121.4, 120.7, 120.0, 119.5, 109.4, 62.5, 49.1; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3311, 1751, 1603, 1407, 1244, 1122, 760, 694 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇ClN₃O₂ 390.1009, found 390.1004.

3-(4-Bromo-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3ad**): white solid; yield 82.0 mg, 94%; mp 254–255 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.98 (s, 1H), 8.66 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.94 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.79–7.75 (m, 3H), 7.59–7.43 (m, 4H), 7.36 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.23–7.20 (m, 1H), 4.63–4.57 (m, 1H), 4.48–4.42 (m, 1H), 4.10–4.04 (m, 1H), 3.73– 3.67 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.0, 156.5, 148.5, 136.9, 136.8, 134.3, 130.4, 129.2, 128.9, 127.4, 124.8, 124.6, 121.8, 121.0, 120.0, 119.9, 113.6, 109.7, 62.4, 49.0; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3272, 1751, 1602, 1409, 1120, 776, 692 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇BrN₃O₂ 434.0504, found 434.0499.

3-(4-Methyl-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3ae**): pale yellow solid; yield 64.0 mg, 87%; mp 168–169 °C; R_f = 0.33 (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.89 (s, 1H), 8.66 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.97 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.78–7.66 (m, 4H), 7.54–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.20–7.17 (m, 1H), 6.98 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.55–4.38 (m, 2H), 3.87–3.65 (m, 2H), 2.68 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.8, 157.5, 148.4, 136.6, 134.7, 133.4, 131.3, 131.1, 129.2, 128.4, 127.3, 125.5, 122.2, 121.2, 120.4, 119.6, 118.7, 110.1, 62.3, 48.8, 18.6; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3264, 1744, 1604, 1405, 1220, 1125, 1030, 764, 693 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₃O₂ 370.1556, found 370.1550.

3-(4-Methoxy-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3af**): white solid; yield 58.8 mg, 76%; mp 185–186 °C; $R_f = 0.15$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.77 (s, 1H), 8.65 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.92–7.70 (m, 4H), 7.52–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.17–7.14(m, 1H), 6.63 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 4.57–4.42 (m, 2H), 4.10–4.03 (m, 1H), 4.00 (s, 3H), 3.76–3.71 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 159.4, 157.4, 154.6, 148.4, 136.5, 134.9, 133.6, 131.1, 129.0, 128.1, 127.1, 121.7, 120.6, 119.1, 116.0, 114.7, 110.2, 100.8, 62.7, 55.8, 49.3; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3323$, 1738, 1600, 1466, 1259, 1108, 788, 764, 656 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₃O₃ 386.1505, found 386.1499.

Methyl 3-(2-oxooxazolidin-3-yl)-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indole-4-carboxylate (**3ag**): yellow solid; yield 83.6 mg, 99%; mp 170–171 °C; $R_f = 0.10$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.18 (s, 1H), 8.69 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 8.03 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.86–7.73 (m, 5H), 7.55–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.27–7.24 (m, 1H), 4.65– 4.60 (m, 1H), 4.43–4.37 (m, 1H), 4.07–4.01 (m, 1H), 3.98 (s, 3H), 3.64–3.59 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 167.4, 159.1, 156.3, 148.5, 137.3, 137.0, 134.3, 130.9, 129.1, 128.8, 127.5, 124.2, 124.0, 123.9, 123.8, 122.3, 120.8, 119.0, 110.3, 62.6, 52.4, 47.9; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3297$, 2919, 1749, 1410, 1265, 1130, 768, 696 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₄H₂₀N₃O₄ 414.1454, found 414.1444.

3-(2,4-Diphenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ah**): white solid; yield 72.7 mg, 84%; mp 220–221 °C; $R_f = 0.40$ (DCM/PE = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.05 (s, 1H), 8.72 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 8.07 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.86–7.73 (m, 4H), 7.62–7.39 (m, 8H), 7.25–7.15 (m, 2H), 4.04–3.97 (m, 1H), 3.40– 3.29 (m, 2H), 2.91–2.84 (m, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.9, 157.3, 148.6, 140.4, 136.8, 136.0, 135.7, 133.7, 131.1, 129.1, 128.9, 128.5, 128.1, 127.5, 127.3, 124.1, 122.0, 121.6, 120.1, 120.0, 119.8, 109.4, 61.9, 48.0; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3278, 1751, 1587, 1463, 1404, 1241, 1107, 1040, 767, 699 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₈H₂₂N₃O₂ 432.1712, found 432.1707.

3-(5-Chloro-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3a**i): white solid; yield 70.3 mg, 90%; mp 245–246 °C; $R_f = 0.38$ (DCM/PE = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.62 (s, 1H), 8.70–8.69 (m, 1H), 7.95 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.82–7.72 (m, 4H), 7.58–7.42 (m, 4H), 7.25–7.23 (m, 1H), 4.53 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.82 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 156.0, 148.7, 136.9, 135.5, 131.5, 130.6, 129.2, 128.8, 127.3, 127.1, 126.2, 122.2, 122.0, 120.4, 120.0, 118.6, 109.6, 62.6, 47.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3314$, 1745, 1590, 1437, 1401, 1123, 1036, 784, 696 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇ClN₃O₂ 390.1009, found 390.1004. 3-(5-Bromo-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3a***j*): white solid; yield 83.3 mg, 96%; mp 238–239 °C; $R_f = 0.35$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.65 (s, 1H), 8.72 (d, *J* = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.99 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (s, 1H), 7.85–7.81 (m, 1H), 7.75–7.73 (m, 3H), 7.54 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H),7.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 1H) 7.30–7.28,4.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 156.0, 148.7, 137.0, 135.4, 131.8, 130.6, 129.2, 128.8, 127.9, 127.2, 123.0, 122.4, 122.2, 121.6, 120.1, 113.7, 109.5, 62.6, 47.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3336, 2921, 1751, 1590, 1481, 1396, 1271, 1121, 758, 694 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇BrN₃O₂ 434.0504, found 434.0499.

3-(6-Methyl-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3ak**): white solid; yield 45.2 mg, 61%; mp 193–194 °C; $R_f = 0.10$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 9.68 (s, 1H), 8.77 (d, J = 4.0 Hz, 1H), 7.84–7.80 (m, 1H), 7.63–7.57 (m, 3H), 7.48–7.42 (m, 3H), 7.38–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.13 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 4.49 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.55 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 156.9, 149.4, 136.4, 133.8, 133.7, 131.1, 130.1, 129.0, 128.2, 127.0, 125.6, 124.5, 123.8, 122.6, 121.8, 118.2, 110.5, 62.5, 47.5, 20.8; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3057$, 2920, 1748, 1604, 1446, 1266, 763, 696 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₃O₂ 370.1556, found 370.1550.

3-(6-Chloro-2-phenyl-7-(pyridin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3a**l): white solid; yield 52.0 mg, 67%; mp 226–227 °C; $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 10.07 (s, 1H), 8.77 (d, J = 3.2 Hz, 1H), 8.11 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.50–7.29 (m, SH), 4.52 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.81 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 157.9, 154.7, 149.0, 136.5, 135.0, 133.9, 130.5, 129.1, 128.7, 127.1, 126.4, 124.5, 123.3, 122.6, 121.2, 119.1, 110.5, 62.6, 47.3; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3420$, 2920, 1749, 1592, 1435, 1264, 1130, 761, 695 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇ClN₃O₂ 390.1009, found 390.1004.

3-(7-(5-Methylpyridin-2-yl)-2-phenyl-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3am**): pale yellow solid; yield 68.1 mg, 92%; mp 88–89 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.67 (s, 1H), 8.51 (s, 1H), 7.86 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 3H), 7.58–7.37 (m, 5H), 7.21 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.48 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.80 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 154.5, 148.7, 137.3, 133.9, 133.0, 131.1, 131.0, 129.1, 128.3, 127.0, 126.2, 121.0, 120.3, 119.9, 119.3, 118.8, 110.0, 62.5, 47.5, 18.1; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu} = 3327$, 1751, 1602, 1475, 1400, 1253, 1127, 1033, 735, 693 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) m/z [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₃O₂ 370.1556, found 370.1550.

3-(7-(5-Chloropyridin-2-yl)-2-phenyl-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2one (**3an**): white solid; yield 72.0 mg, 93%; mp 161–162 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.34 (s, 1H), 8.66 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.95 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.74–7.73 (m, 4H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 1H), 4.52 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.83 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.0, 155.5, 147.4, 136.6, 134.3, 132.8, 130.9, 129.7, 129.2, 128.6, 127.1, 126.4, 120.7, 120.5, 120.5, 119.93, 119.87, 110.3, 62.6, 47.5; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3363, 1751, 1463, 1269, 1120, 738, 695 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₂H₁₇ClN₃O₂ 390.1009, found 390.0991.

3-(7-(4-*Methylpyridin*-2-*yl*)-2-*phenyl*-1*H*-*indol*-3-*yl*)*oxazolidin*-2*one* (**3ao**): white solid; yield 43.8 mg, 60%; mp 143–144 °C; $R_f = 0.33$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.74 (s, 1H), 8.56 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 1H), 7.84 (s, 1H), 7.81–7.75 (m, 3H), 7.61 (d, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.52 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.43–7.40 (m, 1H), 7.27–7.23 (m, 1H), 7.05 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.84 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 2.45 (s, 3H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 158.1, 157.1, 148.3, 147.7, 134.1, 133.3, 131.2, 129.1, 128.4, 127.1, 126.2, 122.7, 121.0, 120.6, 120.3, 120.1, 119.20, 110.0, 62.5, 47.5, 21.4; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3460, 1752, 1609, 1276, 1120, 737, 695 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₃H₂₀N₃O₂ 370.1556, found 370.1550.

3-(2-Phenyl-7-(pyrimidin-2-yl)-1H-indol-3-yl)oxazolidin-2-one (**3ap**): white solid; yield 62.0 mg, 87%; mp 249–250 °C; $R_f = 0.20$ (PE/EA = 2:1); ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 11.23 (s, 1H), 8.85 (d, J = 4.8 Hz, 2H), 8.48 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.77–7.71 (m, 3H), 7.53 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.32 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (t, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 1H), 4.54 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 3.86 (t, *J* = 8.0 Hz, 2H); ^{13}C {H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 165.0, 158.1, 156.8, 134.1, 133.7, 131.0, 129.2, 128.6, 127.2, 126.2, 123.7, 121.4, 120.6, 120.0, 118.4, 110.5, 62.6, 47.5; IR (KBr) $\tilde{\nu}$ = 3378, 1749, 1570, 1414, 1258, 784, 766, 591 cm⁻¹; HRMS (ESI) *m*/*z* [M + H]⁺ calcd for C₂₁H₁₇N₄O₂ 357.1352, found 357.1341.

Synthesis of JohnphosAu(1a)SbF₆. To a solution of JohnphosAu(MeCN)SbF₆ (0.05 mmol, 39 mg) and ynamide 1a (0.1 mmol, 18.7 mg) in 3 mL of dichloromethane was carefully added 50 mL of *n*-hexane without disturbing the dichloromethane layer. The desired product, JohnphosAu(1a)SbF₆, was precipitated out as white crystals in 99% yield (45.8 mg) over 24 h at -18 °C: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.92-7.88 (m, 1H), 7.72-7.70 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.51 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.35 (m, 3H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 1H), 7.15–7.08 (m, 4H), 7.04-7.01 (m, 1H), 5.68 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H); 4.38 (t, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 1.46 (d, $I({}^{1}H-{}^{31}P) = 15.2, 18H$), 1.44 (s, 9H); ${}^{13}C{H}NMR$ (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 164.02 (d, $J({}^{13}C-{}^{31}P) = 3.3$), 159.07 (d, $J({}^{13}C-{}^{31}P)$ = 8.3), 153.66, 152.54, 149.60 (d, $I({}^{13}C-{}^{31}P) = 14.3$), 143.19, 134.23, 133.14 (d, $I({}^{13}C-{}^{31}P) = 7.4$), 130.82 (d, $I({}^{13}C-{}^{31}P) = 1.7$), 129.28, 128.78, 128.60, 128.47, 128.27, 127.18 (d, $J({}^{13}C-{}^{31}P) = 6.3)$, 126.13 $(d, I({}^{13}C - {}^{31}P) = 41.2), 124.01, 81.60, 45.09, 37.75 (d, I({}^{13}C - {}^{31}P) =$ 22.9), 30.93 (d, $I({}^{13}C-{}^{31}P) = 6.5$); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 64.28; IR (KBr) 2958, 1778, 1754, 1734, 1678, 1634, 1474, 1393, 1370, 1175, 1021 cm⁻¹; HRMS-(ESI) $m/z(M - SbF_6)^+$ calcd for C₃₁H₃₆AuNO₂P 682.2149, found 682.2144.

Synthesis of JohnphosAu(2a)SbF₆. A round-bottom flask equipped with a magnetic stirrer bar was charged with JohnphosAuCl (0.1 mmol, 53.1 mg), AgSbF₆ (0.1 mmol, 34.3 mg), and DCM (1 mL). The mixture was stirred for 10 min at room temperature, and then to this mixture was added pyrido [1,2-b]indazole (2a) (0.1 mmol, 33.6 mg). After 30 min, the mixture passed through a pad of silica gel using DCM as eluent. The filtrate was collected and evaporated under reduced pressure to afford JohnphosAu(2a)SbF₆ as a pale yellow solid (94 mg, 99%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 8.84 (d, J = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 8.35 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 8.22 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.98-7.94 (m, 1H), 7.89–7.83 (m, 2H), 7.75 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.61–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.46-7.40 (m, 2H), 7.29 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.22 (d, J = 6.8 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 2H), 5.92 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 1.59 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 18H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 149.1 (d, J = 12.2 Hz), 146.8, 143.0 (d, J = 6.4 Hz), 136.1 (d, J = 1.4 Hz), 133.4 (d, J = 3.6 Hz), 133.1 (d, J = 7.5 Hz), 131.4, 131.3 (d, J = 2.3 Hz), 129.1, 128.5, 128.2, 127.6 (d, J = 7.4 Hz), 127.3, 126.5, 124.0 (d, J = 49.6 Hz), 122.2, 120.7, 119.8, 118. 7, 115.0 (d, J = 1.8 Hz), 112.5, 38.3 (d, J = 26.5 Hz), 31.0 (d, J = 5.9 Hz); ³¹P NMR (162 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 59.03; IR (KBr) 3676, 2924, 1644, 1472, 757, 660 cm-1; HRMS-(ESI) m/z $(M - SbF_6)^+$ calcd for $C_{31}H_{35}AuN_2P$ 663.2203, found 663.2196.

Synthesis of BODYPY-Type Dye. To a stirred solution of 3aa (71.1 mg, 0.20 mmol) in toluene (4 mL) was added triethylamine (83 μ L, 0.60 mmol), and the solution was stirred for 10 min. BF₃·OEt₂ (0.27 mL, 1.00 mmol) was added dropwise, and the reaction mixture was heated to 80 $^{\circ}$ C for 2 h and then cooled to room temperature. The yellow solution was quenched with water (2 mL). The organic layer was washed several times with water, dried over Na₂SO₄, and evaporated to dryness under vacuum to give a yellow solid which was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (PE/EA = 1:1) to provide a yellow solid (64.5 mg, 80%): ¹H NMR (400 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO) \delta 8.94-8.87 \text{ (m, 1H)}, 8.54 \text{ (t, } J = 8.0 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H}), 8.32 \text{ (d, } J =$ 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.92–7.89 (m, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 7.58–7.51 (m, 1H), 7.41 (t, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 4.44 (t, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 3.77 (t, J =8.0 Hz, 1H); ¹³C{H}NMR (100 MHz, (CD₃)₂SO) δ 157.8, 149.2, 144.1, 143.4, 140.3, 132.9, 131.6, 129.9, 129.0, 128.7, 125.3, 125.0, 123.5, 121.9, 121.0, 120.4, 114.6, 113.0, 63.0, 47.8; ¹⁹F NMR (376 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$ δ 126.3; ¹¹B NMR (128 MHz, $(CD_3)_2SO$ δ 2.12; HRMS-(ESI) m/z (M + H)⁺calcd for C₂₂H₁₇BF₂N₃O₂ 404.1382, found 404.1376.

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