An Approach to the Synthesis of 1-Propenylnaphthols and 3-Arylnaphtho[2,1-b]furans

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Supporting Information



ABSTRACT: A simple and efficient strategy for the synthesis of 1-propenylnaphthols from readily accessible 3-arylallylnaphthyl ethers has been developed. By using K_2CO_3 as base and 2-methoxyethanol as solvent, direct access to a wide range of 1-propenylnaphthols can be achieved in generally good yield (up to 99%) with high stereoselectivity toward the Z isomer. The control experiments indicate that the reaction proceeds through a sequential Claisen rearrangement/isomerization process. Furthermore, starting from the same material, the highly valuable 3-arylnaphtho[2,1-*b*]furans can be obtained in *N*,*N*-dimethylformamide and in the presence of Ag_2O as the oxidant via a one-pot sequential Claisen rearrangement/isomerization/ cyclization reaction. Mechanistic studies confirm that 1-propenylnaphthols are the key intermediates to form the 3-arylnaphtho[2,1-*b*]furans. In addition, these two operationally simple and practical protocols could be scaled up to a gram level.

INTRODUCTION

The alkenylnaphthols are important structural units existing in many biologically active compounds, showing anti-inflammatory or antiviral activity (Figure 1).¹ Moreover, such compounds are very useful intermediates in organic synthesis because they can readily participate in a wide spectrum of reactions by acting on the hydroxyl group and carbon–carbon double bonds.² Particularly, they can serve as an important precursor for the preparation of naphtho[*b*]furans (Figure 1).³

The most convenient method for the preparation of alkenylnaphthols is by a Claisen rearrangement/isomerization of allyl naphthyl ethers.⁴ However, the major drawback of the reported procedure is that it often requires high temperature (ranging from 180 to 240 °C) and expensive isomerization catalysts, such as Rh,^{4b} Ru,^{4b,e} and Ir.^{4a} Moreover, the products are usually obtained as a mixture of *E* and *Z* isomers (Scheme 1, eq 1). Recently, a hydroarylation reaction of alkynes with the naphthol protocol has been developed independently by Kumar,⁵ Yadav,^{6a} and Fedushkin,^{6b} by employing an expensive indium salt or gallium complex (Scheme 1, eq 2). In addition, an example of alkenylation of naphthol with the use of magnesium alkylidene carbenoids at -78 °C has also been reported (Scheme 1, eq 3).⁷ However, the forcing reaction conditions, poor selectivity, and expensive catalysts limit the

synthetic utility of these methods. Consequently, the development of an efficient and practical method for the synthesis of alkenylnaphthols is highly desirable.

On the other hand, naphtho[2,1-b]furan derivatives are found in a large number of natural products and synthetic pharmaceuticals.⁸ A wide variety of synthetic methods have been established in the literature for their synthesis.^{2f,9} The commonly used method is by cyclization of a prefunctionalized naphthol such as 2-alkenylnaphthol, usually promoted by employing either a transition-metal catalyst^{9a,b,i} or toxic reagents such as I_2^{9c} and hypervalent iodine (Scheme 1, eq 4).^{9f} In recent years, significant progress has been made in the development of more straightforward methods by transitionmetal-catalyzed coupling reactions of simple naphthol and alkynes.^{2f} Very recently, Dong, Zhou, and co-workers have developed an elegant metal-free approach whereby a direct oxidative coupling of free naphthols with terminal alkynes could be achieved in the presence of BF₃·Et₂O (Scheme 1, eq 5).^{9h} The majority of these methods yielded 2-arylnaphtho[2,1b]furan as products. In contrast, the Claisen rearrangement of an allyl or propargyl naphthyl ether followed by intramolecular

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cyclization provides 3-arylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan (Scheme 1, eq 6).^{9e} We have previously reported a transition-metal-free protocol for the synthesis of 3-arylnaphtho [2,1-b] furan starting from 3-arylallyl bromonaphthyl ethers by employing such a strategy.¹⁰ Moreover, we found that the use of a suitable base could lead to formation of alkenylnaphthols as the major products (Scheme 1, eq 7). Nevertheless, the commercial availability of such special 3-arylallyl 2-bromonaphthyl ether substrates is very limited. In addition, undesired halogencontaining wastes are generated, which does not meet the requirements of green and atom-economical chemistry. Herein, we demonstrate our efforts in the development of novel protocols to synthesize both 1-propenylnaphthols and 3arylnaphtho[2,1-b] furans from the simple 3-arylallyl naphthyl ether via a Claisen rearrangement and isomerization or cyclization cascade event (Scheme 1, eq 8).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

We initiated the investigations by using [[(2E)-3-phenyl-2propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1a) as the model substrate, employing conditions similar to those reported by our group for the Claisen rearrangement/cyclization of bromonaphthyl 3phenylallyl ethers.¹⁰ Gratifyingly, the desired transformation proceeded readily under basic conditions. In addition, this reaction performed well in controlling the stereoselectivity, and almost exclusively the Z product 2a was obtained, the structure of which was unambiguously assigned on the basis of singlecrystal X-ray diffraction.¹⁰ Screening of bases for the reaction identified that K₂CO₃ was the most effective base when N₂Ndimethylformamide (DMF) was used as solvent (81% yield; Table 1, entry 5). NaHCO₃ and Na₂CO₃, were also effective but gave slightly lower yields of the desired product 2a (62% and 69% yields; Table 1, entries 3 and 4), while weaker bases such as NaOAc and KOAc resulted in further reduced yields

Table 1. Effect of Bases on This Reaction^a



^{*a*}Reaction conditions: **1a** (0.25 mmol), base (0.5 mmol), DMF (1 mL), under nitrogen, 120 °C, 20 h. ^{*b*}Yields were determined by HPLC. nd = not detected.

(30% and 53% yields; Table 1, entries 1 and 2). However, the use of stronger bases, such as K_3PO_4 , NaOH, LiOtBu, NaOtBu, and KOtBu, did not improve the yield of 2a (48–73% yields; Table 1, entries 6–10). Remarkably, when sodium or potassium carbonate was employed as the base, a detectable amount of naphtho[2,1-b]furan 3a was observed (7% and 6% yields; Table 1, entries 4 and 5).

The effect of solvent was then examined by using K_2CO_3 as the base. The results are summarized in Table 2. Evidently, the

Table 2. Effect of Solvents on This Reaction^a

			yield (%) ^b	
entry	K ₂ CO ₃ (mmol)	solvent	2a	3a
1	0.5	toluene	15	nd
2	0.5	1,4-dioxane	23	nd
3	0.5	NMP	51	nd
4	0.5	DMA	77	nd
5	0.5	DMF	81	6
6	0.5	n-butanol	81	nd
7	0.5	cyclohexanol	78	nd
8	0.5	2-methoxyethanol	97	3
9	0.5	1,2-propanediol	9	nd
10	0.5	ethylene glycol	31	nd
11	0.5	DME	28	nd
12 ^c	0.5	2-methoxyethanol	87	13
13	0.25	2-methoxyethanol	8	nd
14	0	2-methoxyethanol	nd	nd
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^{*a*}Reaction conditions unless specified otherwise: 1a (0.25 mmol), under nitrogen, solvent (1 mL), 120 $^{\circ}$ C, 20 h. ^{*b*}Yields were determined by HPLC. nd = not detected. ^{*c*}Under an oxygen atmosphere.

reaction conversion among the tested aprotic solvents followed the order toluene < 1,4-dioxane < NMP < DMA < DMF (15– 81% yields; Table 2, entries 1–5), which is basically consistent with their solvent polarity trend. The reactivity increased in the polar solvent possibly owing to their relatively higher solubility toward the inorganic base. However, for the protic solvents, there seemed to be no clear correlation between solvent polarity and conversions. For example, n-butanol and cyclohexanol gave 2a in comparable yields with DMF (Table 2, entries 6 and 7), but more polar protic solvents such as 1,2propanediol and ethylene glycol led to a significant decrease (Table 2, entries 9 and 10). Notably, the optimal solvent was found to be 2-methoxyethanol, affording 2a in 97% yield (Table 2, entry 8). However, the structurally similar solvent 1,2dimethoxyethane (DME) only provided a poor yield (Table 2, entry 11), testifying to the positive effect of the -OH group in 2-methoxyethanol. The amount of K₂CO₃ was also briefly assessed. The best yield of 2a was observed when 2 equiv of K_2CO_3 was employed (Table 2, entry 8 vs entry 13). No desired product 2a was detected in the absence of base (Table 2, entry 14), showing that the presence of base is crucial for enabling this reaction. Notably, the reaction gave a significant yield of 3a under an oxygen atmosphere (13%, Table 2, entry 12). On the basis of these optimization studies, subsequent reactions were performed in 2-methoxyethanol at 120 °C in the presence of 2 equiv of K₂CO₃.

With the optimized conditions in hand, we subsequently tested the scope of this reaction. First, the effect of varying the nature of functional groups on the 3-phenyl moiety was investigated. As shown in Scheme 2, both the electron-donating methyl group (2b,h) and electron-withdrawing chloro, fluoro, and trifluoromethyl groups (2c-g,i,j) were well tolerated. The transformation proceeded quite smoothly and afforded the desired 1-propenylnaphthol derivatives in moderate to good yields (31-90%). Para-substituted phenyl derivatives bearing an electron-donating methyl group afforded the products in higher yield in comparison to those bearing electron-withdrawing groups (Scheme 2, 2b vs 2c-e). Substituents at either the meta or sterically demanding ortho position led to moderate to excellent yields of products. Interestingly, the more sterically hindered ortho-substituted aryls afforded the corresponding products in yields much higher than those with meta or para substituents (2h-j vs 2b-g). Unexpectedly, for substrate 1k bearing a 2-CF₃ group, a double-bond isomerization occurred to give vinyl ether 1k' in 23% yield, and no

Scheme 2. Scope of the Reaction for the Synthesis of 1-Propenylnaphthols d



X = N, R¹ = H, R² = 2-CH₃; 2t, 99%

 $X = N, R^1 = 6-CH_3,$ R² = H; 2u, 92%



X = N, R¹ = 6-CH₃, R² = 4-CH₃; 2v, 78%; 3v, 10%

X = C, R¹ = H, 2w n.r.¢

Scheme 2. continued



^bIn the glovebox. ^c1w was used.

^dReaction conditions: 1 (0.25 mmol), K₂CO₃ (0.5 mmol), 2-methoxyethanol (1 mL), under nitrogen, 120 °C, 20 h. Yields of isolated products are given.

Scheme 3. Scope of the Reaction for the Synthesis of 3-Aryl Naphtho[b]furans^b



^a0.5 mmol of Ag₂O. ^bReaction conditions unless specified otherwise: 1 (0.25 mmol), K₂CO₃ (0.5 mmol), DMF (1 mL), Ag₂O (0.25 mmol), under nitrogen. Yields of isolated products are given.

desired product was observed due to an intramolecular [1,3]type H-shift.^{2c,11} Notably, for the isomer 1-naphthyl ether (1a') this rearrangement/isomerization procedure could also take place, giving the product 2a' in 35% yield as a mixture of Z and E isomers (about 6.6:1). To further evaluate the scope of the reaction, the present protocol was then extended to substrates having a naphthalene with different substitution patterns. All of the tested substrates also worked efficiently and gave moderate to excellent yields of the desired products 2l-v (35–99%). Again, a good functional

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Scheme 4. Scale-up and Synthetic Application



Scheme 5. Mechanistic Investigations



group tolerance was observed. It was noteworthy that for substrate 11, containing a 7-Br group at the naphthyl moiety, the corresponding naphthol 2l was obtained in up to 99% yield. However, when a Br atom was at the C-6 position the yield decreased to 70% (20). The remaining bromide functional group can serve as a versatile handle for further manipulation. However, substitution at the 2-, 3-, or 4-position of the 3phenyl moiety with electron-withdrawing fluoro or chloro groups remarkably reduced the yields (2m,n,p). Importantly, substrates bearing pharmaceutically relevant quinoline rings could also react, resulting in the 6-quinolinols 2r-v with up to 99% yields. Unfortunately, the rearrangement reaction was completely suppressed when 2-(allyloxy)naphthalene 1w was employed. It is noteworthy that the highly valuable naphtho-[b] furans were generated as coproducts in a number of instances (3a,d,g,m-p,s,v) in 7-33% yields; it is possible that the trace amount of oxygen in the solvent might facilitate the formation of 3. As expected, the corresponding naphthol products were obviously increased for the substrates 1g,m,p when the reaction was carried out in the glovebox (86-89%).

The observation of the coproduct naphtho[2,1-b] furan prompted us to develop an efficient way to prepare naphthofuran derivatives using a one-pot Claisen rearrangement/isomerization/cyclization cascade event. We were pleased to find that **1a** can be easily transformed into the corresponding naphtho[2,1-b] furan **3a** at 130 °C in 85% isolated yield in the presence of Ag₂O merely by switching the solvent from 2-methoxyethanol to DMF (for details on the screening conditions, see Table 1 in the Supporting Information). The substrate scope for this transformation was also investigated. As shown in Scheme 3, the reactions of 3arylallyl naphthyl ethers, bearing various substituents such as halogen, alkyl, and alkoxyl groups, all efficiently provided the corresponding naphthofurans in moderate to good yields. It should be noted that a substrate bearing a Br atom on naphthalene exhibited reactivity similar to that observed in the naphthol system and a substrate containing Br at the C-7 position gave a higher yield in comparison to that at the C-6 position (31 vs 30). In addition, the quinolinyl allyl ethers 1r,t could also be smoothly transformed into the quinoline [b] furans $3r_{t}$ in high yields by using more $Ag_{2}O$ to accelerate the reaction. The isomer 1-naphthyl ether (1a') was also compatible with this novel one-pot protocol and formed the naphtho [1,2-b] furan 3a', albeit in lower yield (20%). The relatively lower reactivity of 1a' in comparison with 1a was in good agreement with the literture.¹³ However, no desired cyclization product was detected for the substrate 1w.

Collectively, 3-arylallyl naphthyl ethers were found to be useful substrates capable of being transformed into both alkenylnaphthols and naphtho[2,1-*b*]furans under different conditions. It is worth mentioning that no transition-metal catalyst was employed in the former reaction and the *Z* isomer product was nearly exclusively formed under the established conditions. This was far superior to the previously reported methods, which required noble-metal catalysts and gave products as a mixture of *E* and *Z* isomers.⁴ In the latter case, 3-aryl-substituted naphtho[2,1-*b*]furans were effectively formed, which are otherwise difficult to obtain.⁹ We subsequently tested the scalability of these two transformations by using 4 mmol of **1a**. The corresponding products **2a** and

Scheme 6. Proposed Mechanism



naphtho[b]furan 3a could be obtained in 73% and 70% isolated yields (Scheme 4, eqs 1 and 2), demonstrating that the reaction was amenable to scale-up, although with slight loss of yield.

To get insight into the origin that underlies the reactions, several experiments to elucidate the mechanism were performed (Scheme 5). It was found that 1a failed to give any of the desired product 2a in the absence of a base; instead, the ortho-Claisen rearrangement product 4a was formed in 90% yield (Scheme 5, eq 1). However, with the addition of K₂CO₃ 1a can be easily transformed into 2a in high yield (Scheme 5, eq 2). This implies that base was absolutely essential for the double-bond isomerization process. We then treated 2a and 4a with Ag₂O, respectively, to investigate which one is the intermediate for the route to naphtho [2,1-b] furans. The desired product 3a could be formed in 93% yield from 2a (Scheme 5, eq 2). In contrast, only trace amounts of 3a were obtained from 4a. However, upon exposure to Ag₂O and K₂CO₃, 4a could also be successfully cyclized via a dehydrogenation process to produce naphtho[2,1-b]furans in 87% yield (Scheme 5, eq 1). These results clearly indicated that 2a was an important intermediate for the formation of 3a. However, the cyclization of 2a did not occur in the absence of Ag₂O.

On the basis of the above results and literature reports,^{14–16} a reasonable mechanism proposed for the above two transformations is summarized in Scheme 6. First, allyl naphthyl ether 1a readily undergoes a Claisen rearrangement to give the ortho benzodienone A, which usually enolizes into naphthol 4a.¹⁴ Then the 4a transforms to phenoxide B in the presence of base. Subsequently, B undergoes a base-promoted synergistic hydrogen transfer to afford 2a.¹⁵ Almost exclusively the Z isomer is obtained due to the electrostatic attraction in C¹⁵ Finally, in the presence of Ag₂O, 2a is easily dehydrogenated and cyclized into naphtho[2,1-b]furan 3a. In order to explore the cyclization mechanism of 2a, the introduction of TEMPO as a trapping agent resulted in a decrease in the yield of 3a from 93% to 75%. When the amount of TEMPO was further increased, the yield of 3a dropped to 61% (for details see Table 2 in the Supporting Information). Obviously, the reactivity was partially inhibited by TEMPO. According to the reported results,¹⁶ if a radical reaction occurs intramolecularly or the radical reaction rate is fast, the radical trapping agent has difficulty in trapping it. The possibility for the involvement of an intramolecular radical pathway still cannot be ruled out. Therefore, we speculate that the naphthoxide ion of 2a is oxidized by Ag₂O to form a

naphthoxide radical, which subsequently undergoes the oxidative cyclization to give **3a**.

CONCLUSIONS

We have developed simple and efficient methods to construct various 1-propenylnaphthols and 3-arylnaphtho[2,1-b]furans from readily accessible 3-arylallylnaphthyl ethers in a practical and atom-economical way. In the former case, the reaction involving a Claisen rearrangement followed by a base-induced double-bond isomerization stereoselectively produces (Z)-1aryl-1-propenylnaphthols. More importantly, such alkenylnaphthols can easily undergo oxidative cyclization to form 3arylnaphtho[2,1-b]furans in the presence of Ag₂O, thus enabling us to develop a one-pot sequential Claisen rearrangement/isomerization/cyclization reaction for the synthesis of naphtho[2,1-b] furans. In comparison with the previous approaches, the present novel methodologies comprise the advantages of a simple reaction system, operational ease, high stereoselectivity, and broad applicability and should be an attractive choice for the synthesis of 1-propenylnaphthol and 3arylnaphtho[2,1-*b*]furan derivatives.

EXPERIMENTAL SECTION

Synthesis of Substrates 1a,a',l,o,q,r,u,w. The starting naphthol (10 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (30 mmol) were dissolved in acetone (30 mL). Cinnamyl bromide (8 mmol) was added by syringe, and the reaction mixture was heated to 60 °C overnight. After cooling, the mixture was diluted with ethyl acetate and water. The organic layer was washed with brine, dried with anhydrous MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (10/1) as eluent.

Synthesis of Substrates 1b–k,m,n,p,s,t,v. For the synthesis of 1b, 4-methylcinnamic acid S-1b (2.5 g) and p-toluenesulfonic acid (1.0 g) were dissolved in EtOH (20 mL). The resulting mixture was refluxed for 3 h and then treated with petroleum ether (50 mL). The organic layer was washed with water (20 mL) and 10% Na_2CO_3 solution (20 mL), dried with anhydrous MgSO₄, and evaporated under reduced pressure to give compound S-2b (2.0 g) as a colorless liquid.

DIBAL-H (1.0 M, 25 mL) was slowly added to a stirred solution of ester S-2b (1.9 g, 10 mmol) in THF (35 mL) at -78 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at -78 °C and for another 1 h at room temperature. After completion of the reaction, the mixture was poured into cold diluted HCl (0.5 N) and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was dried over anhydrous MgSO₄ and evaporated under reduced pressure to give compound S-3b (1.5 g) as a colorless liquid.

To a stirred solution of **S-3b** (5 mmol), 2-naphthol (6 mmol), and triphenylphosphane (1.7 g, 6.5 mmol) in THF (30 mL) under a nitrogen atmosphere was added diethyl azodicarboxylate (DEAD; 1.2

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mL) dropwise at 0 °C. The mixture was further stirred at room temperature for 20 h. The solvent was evaporated under reduced pressure on a rotary evaporator to give a viscous residue. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography to give 1b (0.6 g) as a white solid.

Typical Procedure for the Synthesis of 2a. A mixture of 1a (0.25 mmol) and K_2CO_3 (0.5 mmol) in 2-methoxyethanol (1 mL) was stirred in a dried Schlenk tube for 20 h at 120 °C under nitrogen. At the end of the reaction, water (3 mL) was added to the mixture and subsequently the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (3 × 5 mL), dried with anhydrous MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using petroleum ether/ethyl acetate (20/1) as eluent to give the pure product 2a (58 mg, 90%).

Typical Procedure for the Synthesis of 3a. A mixture of 1a (0.25 mmol), K_2CO_3 (0.5 mmol), and Ag_2O (0.25 mmol) in DMF (1 mL) was stirred in a dried Schlenk tube for 20 h at 130 °C. At the end of the reaction, water (3 mL) was added to the mixture and subsequently the mixture was extracted with ethyl acetate (3 × 5 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine (3 × 5 mL), dried with anhydrous MgSO₄, and concentrated under vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel chromatography using petroleum ether as eluent to give the pure product **3a** (55 mg, 85%).

2-[[(2E)-3-Phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1a). Yield: 78% (1.6 g) as a white solid. Mp: 110–111 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81–7.71 (m, 3H), 7.48–7.41 (m, 3H), 7.38–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.29–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 2H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dtd, *J* = 16.0, 5.8, 2.3 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.5, 135.4, 133.5, 132.1, 128.4, 128.0, 127.6, 126.9, 126.6, 125.8, 125.6, 125.3, 123.3, 122.7, 118.0, 106.0, 67.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₅O [M – H]⁻ 259.1123, found 259.1104. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature. ^{14b}

2-[[(2E)-3-[4-Methylphenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (**1b**). Yield: 85% (1.2 g) as a white solid. Mp: 133–134 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79–7.70 (m, 3H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 1H), 7.36–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.23–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.44 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, *J* = 5.9, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.34 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.6, 137.8, 134.5, 133.7, 133.2, 129.5, 129.3, 129.0, 127.7, 126.8, 126.5, 126.4, 123.7, 123.2, 119.0, 107.1, 68.8, 21.2. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₇O [M – H]⁻ 273.1279, found 273.1274.

2-[[(2*Ē*)-3-(4-Chlorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1c). Yield: 80% (1.2 g) as a white solid. Mp: 132–134 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81–7.72 (m, 3H), 7.47–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.28 (m, 5H), 7.23–7.18 (m, 2H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, *J* = 5.7, 1.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.5, 135.0, 134.5, 133.6, 131.8, 129.5, 129.1, 128.8, 127.8, 127.7, 126.8, 126.4, 125.0, 123.8, 118.9, 107.0, 68.4. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄CIO [M – H]⁻ 293.0733, found 293.0719.

2-[[(2E)-3-(4-Fluorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1d). Yield: 78% (1.1 g) as a white solid. Mp: 124–125 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82–7.71 (m, 3H), 7.47–7.31 (m, 4H), 7.24–7.18 (m, 2H), 7.02 (t, *J* = 8.5 Hz, 2H), 6.75 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.40 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.7, 160.3, 155.5, 133.5, 131.6, 131.0, 128.5, 128.1, 127.2, 127.1, 126.7, 125.8, 125.4, 123.1, 122.7, 117.9, 114.6, 114.4, 106.1, 67.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FO [M – H]⁻ 277.1029, found 277.1013.

2-[[(2E)-3-(4-Trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1e). Yield: 83% (1.4 g) as a white solid. Mp: 170–172 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.80–7.72 (m, 3H), 7.59 (d, J =8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.52 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.47–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.24–7.18 (m, 2H), 6.83 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dt, J =16.0, 5.5 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (dd, J = 5.4, 1.2 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.4, 139.9, 134.5, 131.3, 130.7, 129.9, 129.6, 129.1, 127.7, 127.1, 126.8, 126.7, 126.5, 125.7, 125.6 (2C), 125.5, 123.8, 118.9, 107.1, 68.2. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₄F₃O [M – H][–] 327.0997, found 327.0983. 2-[[(2E)-3-(3-Chlorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1f). Yield: 75% (1.1 g) as a white solid. Mp: 104–106 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81–7.70 (m, 3H), 7.48–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.38–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.31–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.18 (m, 3H), 6.74 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, *J* = 5.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.4, 138.3, 134.6, 134.5, 131.5, 129.9, 129.6, 129.1, 127.9, 127.7, 126.8, 126.5 (2C), 125.9, 124.8, 123.8, 118.9, 107.0, 68.3. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄ClO [M – H]⁻ 293.0733, found 293.0715.

2-[[(2E)-3-(3-Fluorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (**1g**). Yield: 76% (1.1 g) as a white solid. Mp: 78–80 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81–7.71 (m, 3H), 7.48–7.41 (m, 1H), 7.38–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.31–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.23–7.17 (m, 3H), 7.13 (d, J = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (td, J = 8.4, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 6.76 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.49 (dt, J = 16.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.82 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.2, 160.8, 155.4, 137.7, 133.4, 130.7 (2C), 129.0, 128.9, 128.4, 128.0, 126.6, 125.7, 125.3, 124.7, 122.7, 121.4 (2C), 117.8, 113.7, 113.5, 112.0, 111.8, 105.9, 67.2. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FO [M – H]⁻ 277.1029, found 277.1010.

2-[[(2E)-3-(2-Methylphenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1h). Yield: 62% (0.8 g) as a white solid. Mp: 94 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81–7.71 (m, 3H), 7.52–7.48 (m, 1H), 7.47–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.32 (m, 1H), 7.23–7.20 (m, 2H), 7.19–7.14 (m, 3H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (dt, *J* = 15.8, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.5, 134.6 (2C), 133.5, 130.1, 129.3, 128.4, 128.0, 126.8, 126.6, 125.7, 125.3, 125.1, 124.8, 124.6, 122.6, 118.0, 106.1, 67.9, 18.8 HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₇O [M – H]⁻ 273.1279, found 273.1273.

2-[[(2E)-3-(2-Chlorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1i). Yield: 64% (0.9 g) as a white solid. Mp: 84–85 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.80–7.73 (m, 3H), 7.59 (dd, J = 7.5, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.47–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.39–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.17 (m, 5H), 6.47 (dt, J = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (dd, J = 5.8, 1.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.4, 133.6, 133.5, 132.2, 128.7, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 127.9, 126.6, 126.3, 126.0, 125.9, 125.8, 125.4, 122.7, 118.0, 106.0, 67.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄ClO [M – H]⁻ 293.0733, found 293.0723.

2-[[(2E)-3-(2-Fluorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1j). Yield: 70% (1.0 g) as a white solid. Mp: 97–98 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.80–7.72 (m, 3H), 7.47 (dtd, J = 15.1, 8.1, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 7.37–7.31 (m, 1H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 3H), 7.11 (td, J = 7.6, 0.9 Hz, 1H), 7.05 (ddd, J = 10.7, 8.2, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 6.96 (d, J = 16.2 Hz, 1H), 6.58 (dt, J = 16.2, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (dd, J = 5.7, 1.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 161.6, 159.1, 156.5, 134.5, 129.5, 129.3, 129.2, 129.1, 127.7, 127.1, 127.0, 126.8, 126.4, 125.6 (2C), 124.3, 124.2 (2C), 124.1, 123.7, 119.0, 115.9, 115.7, 107.1, 68.7. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FO [M – H]⁻ 277.1029, found 277.1015.

2-[[(2E)-3-(2-Trifluoromethylphenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1k). Yield: 73% (1.2 g) as a white solid. Mp: 102–103 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.81–7.70 (m, 3H), 7.68–7.60 (m, 2H), 7.53–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.24–7.14 (m, 3H), 6.44 (dt, *J* = 15.8, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (dd, *J* = 5.7, 1.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.5, 135.7, 134.6, 132.0, 129.6, 129.2, 129.1, 127.8, 127.7 (2C), 127.5, 126.9, 126.5, 126.0, 125.9 (2C), 125.8 (2C), 123.9, 123.1, 119.1, 107.2, 68.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₄F₃O [M – H]⁻ 327.0997, found 327.0977.

1-[[(2E)-3-Phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1a'). Yield: 75% (1.5 g) as a white solid. Mp: 80–82 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.36–8.32 (m, 1H), 7.83–7.78 (m, 1H), 7.52–7.46 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.43 (m, 3H), 7.39–7.33 (m, 3H), 7.27 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 1H), 6.88 (d, J = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.54 (dt, J = 16.0, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.89 (d, J = 5.6 Hz, 2H). Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.^{14b}

7-Bromo-2-[[(2E)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (11). Yield: 74% (2 g) as a white solid. Mp: 130 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.89 (d, J = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.39 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 7.5 Hz, 1H), 7.21 (dd, J = 9.0, 2.4 Hz, 1H), 7.09 (d, J = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (dt, J = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 157.3, 136.3, 135.8,

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133.4, 129.5, 129.3, 128.8, 128.6, 128.0, 127.4, 127.0, 126.6, 124.0, 120.6, 119.4, 106.2, 68.7. HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{19}H_{14}BrO\ [M-H]^-$ 337.0228, found 337.0209.

7-Bromo-2-[[(2E)-3-(2-chlorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]-naphthalene (1m). Yield: 63% (1.2 g) as a white solid. Mp: 98–99 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.72 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.58 (dd, *J* = 7.4, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.39 (ddd, *J* = 9.3, 8.2, 1.9 Hz, 2H), 7.25–7.17 (m, 4H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.45 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.84 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.5 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.2, 134.7, 133.5, 132.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.5, 128.3, 128.0, 127.7, 126.4, 126.0 (2C), 125.9, 125.1, 119.6, 118.4, 105.2, 67.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrClO [M – H]⁻ 370.9838, found 370.9815.

7-Bromo-2-[[(2E)-3-(3-chlorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]-naphthalene (1n). Yield: 67% (1.2 g) as a white solid. Mp: 123 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.39 (m, 2H), 7.33–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.19 (m, 2H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.73 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, *J* = 5.6, 1.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.1, 137.1, 134.6, 133.5, 130.6, 128.8, 128.4, 128.2, 127.7, 126.8, 126.3, 126.0, 125.4, 124.5, 123.7, 119.5, 118.2, 105.0, 67.2. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrClO [M – H]⁻ 370.9838, found 370.9823.

6-Bromo-2-[[(2E)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (10). Yield: 71% (1.9 g) as a white solid. Mp: 148 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (dd, *J* = 8.7, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.22 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 7.16 (d, *J* = 2.4 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.80 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.8, 135.3, 132.3, 132.0, 129.1, 128.6 (2C), 127.6 (2C), 127.4, 127.0, 125.6, 123.0, 119.0, 116.1, 106.0, 67.7. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄BrO [M – H]⁻ 337.0228, found 337.0217.

6-Bromo-2-[[(2E)-3-(4-fluorophenyl)-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (**1p**). Yield: 68% (1.2 g) as a white solid. Mp: 134–136 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, J = 1.4 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.59 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (dd, J = 8.7, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.42–7.36 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.19 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d, J = 2.3 Hz, 1H), 7.02 (t, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 6.74 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.38 (dt, J =16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.78 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.8, 161.3, 156.8, 133.0, 132.5 (2C), 132.2, 130.1, 129.7, 128.6, 128.4, 128.2, 128.1, 123.7 (2C), 120.0, 117.2, 115.7, 115.5, 107.0, 68.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrFO [M – H]⁻ 355.0134, found 355.0117.

6-Methoxy-2-[[(2E)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1q). Yield: 71% (1.6 g) as a white solid. Mp: 156 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.65 (t, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.45–7.41 (m, 2H), 7.36–7.30 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.21–7.16 (m, 2H), 7.15–7.10 (m, 2H), 6.78 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.48 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.4 Hz, 2H), 3.90 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.2, 155.1, 136.5, 133.1, 129.9, 129.7, 128.6, 128.2, 127.9, 126.6, 124.5, 119.2, 119.0, 109.7, 107.5, 106.1, 68.8, 55.3. HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{20}H_{17}O_2$ [M – H]⁻ 289.1229, found 289.1207.

7-[[(2E)-3-Phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]quinoline (*1r*). Yield: 65% (1.4 g) as a white solid. Mp: 80−81 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.77 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.10−8.01 (m, 2H), 7.47−7.41 (m, 3H), 7.39−7.31 (m, 3H), 7.30−7.24 (m, 1H), 7.14 (d, *J* = 2.7 Hz, 1H), 6.80 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (dt, *J* = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.83 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.8, 146.9, 143.3, 135.3, 134.1, 132.5, 129.9, 128.3, 127.7, 127.1, 125.7, 122.9, 121.7, 120.4, 105.5, 68.0. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₄NO [M − H]⁻ 260.1075, found 260.1067.

7-[[(2E)-3-(4-Methylphenyl)phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]quinoline (**15**). Yield: 68% (0.9 g) as a white solid. Mp: 93–95 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.78 (dd, *J* = 4.2, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 8.09–8.01 (m, 2H), 7.44 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.8 Hz, 1H), 7.39–7.31 (m, 3H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 3H), 6.76 (d, *J* = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.43 (dt, *J* = 15.9, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, *J* = 5.9, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 2.35 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.7, 146.9, 143.3, 137.0, 134.0, 132.5, 132.4, 129.8, 128.3 (2C), 125.5, 121.7, 121.6, 120.3, 105.3, 68.0, 20.2. HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{19}H_{16}NO\ [M-H]^-$ 274.1232, found 274.1226.

7-[*Î*(*2E*)-*3*-(*2*-*Methylphenyl*)*phenyl*-*2*-*propen*-*1*-*yl*]*oxy*]*quinoline* (*1t*). Yield: 76% (1.0 g) as a white solid. Mp: 83 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.79 (dd, *J* = 4.3, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 8.12−8.01 (m, 2H), 7.53−7.49 (m, 1H), 7.46 (dd, *J* = 9.2, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (dd, *J* = 8.3, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 7.22−7.14 (m, 4H), 7.02 (d, *J* = 15.8 Hz, 1H), 6.37 (dt, *J* = 15.8, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.85 (d, *J* = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 2.36 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.7, 147.0, 143.3, 134.6, 134.4, 133.9, 130.4, 129.9, 129.3, 128.2, 126.9, 125.2, 124.8, 124.1, 121.6, 120.4, 105.4, 68.1, 18.8. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₆NO [M − H][−] 274.1232, found 274.1223.

2-Methyl-7-[[(2E)-3-phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]quinoline (1u). Yield: 74% (1.6 g) as a white solid. Mp: 98–99 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.99–7.92 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.38 (m, 3H), 7.37–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.11 (d, J = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 6.79 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.47 (dt, J = 16.0, 5.8 Hz, 1H), 4.81 (dd, J = 5.8, 1.2 Hz, 2H), 2.72 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.4, 155.1, 142.7, 135.2, 134.1, 132.2, 128.9, 127.5, 126.9, 126.2, 125.5, 122.9, 121.2, 121.1, 105.5, 67.8, 23.9. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₈NO [M + H]⁺ 276.1388, found 276.1371.

2-Methyl-7-[[(2E)-3-(4-methylphenyl)phenyl-2-propen-1-yl]oxy]quinoline (1v). Yield: 76% (1.1 g) as a white solid. Mp: 125–126 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.94 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 2H), 7.40 (dd, J =9.1, 2.7 Hz, 1H), 7.33 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 2H), 7.28–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.17– 7.09 (m, 3H), 6.75 (d, J = 16.0 Hz, 1H), 6.42 (dt, J = 15.9, 5.9 Hz, 1H), 4.79 (d, J = 5.8 Hz, 2H), 2.71 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.4, 156.2, 143.8, 137.9, 135.2, 133.5, 133.4, 130.0, 129.3, 127.3, 126.5, 122.9, 122.3, 106.5, 69.1, 25.0, 21.3. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₂₀NO [M + H]⁺ 290.1545, found 290.1529.

2-(Allyloxy)naphthalene (1w). Yield: 75% (1.1 g) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.76–7.65 (m, 3H), 7.44–7.38 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.27 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.13 (m, 1H), 7.10 (d, *J* = 1.5 Hz, 1H), 6.15–6.03 (m, 1H), 5.48–5.40 (m, 1H), 5.29 (dd, *J* = 10.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 4.60 (dt, *J* = 5.3, 1.3 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.6, 134.6, 133.3, 129.5, 129.1, 127.8, 126.9, 126.5, 123.8, 119.1, 117.9, 107.1, 68.9. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁷

1-(1-Phenyl-1-propen-1-yl)-2-naphthol (2a). Yield: 90% (59 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 108–109 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.83–7.77 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.46 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.28 (m, 3H), 7.27–7.18 (m, 5H), 6.80 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (s, 1H), 1.62 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, 139.8, 134.4, 132.7, 129.7, 129.6, 129.2, 128.7, 128.2, 127.5, 126.6, 125.9, 124.6, 123.3, 117.6, 117.1, 15.5. MS (ESI): Calcd for C₁₉H₁₅O [M – H]⁻ 259.1123, found 259.11. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

1-[1-(4-Methylphenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (**2b**). Yield: 68% (46 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.84-7.76 (m, 2H), 7.53-7.46 (m, 1H), 7.34-7.31 (m, 1H), 7.30-7.28 (m, 1H), 7.27-7.23 (m, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 7.04 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 2H), 6.76 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.38 (s, 1H), 2.29 (s, 3H), 1.61 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.2, 137.4, 136.9, 134.2, 132.7, 129.5, 129.4, 129.1, 128.6, 128.1, 126.6, 125.8, 124.7, 123.3, 117.8, 117.1, 21.1, 15.4. HRMS (ESI): Calcd for C₂₀H₁₇O [M - H]⁻ 273.1279, found 273.1278.

1-[1-(4-Chlorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (**2c**). Yield: 31% (23 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85–7.77 (m, 2H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (s, 4H), 6.80 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (s, 1H), 1.63 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 134.7, 122.7, 118.0, 117.8, 117.0, 114.6, 114.3, 113.7, 113.3, 112.7, 111.7, 111.2, 108.9, 107.9, 101.6, 101.5, 14.2. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄ClO [M – H]⁻ 293.0733, found 293.0728.

1-[1-(4-Fluorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (**2d**). Yield: 47% (33 mg) as a yellow solid. Mp: 89 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85–7.78 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.43 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.29–7.26 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.21 (m, 2H), 6.96–6.89 (m, 2H), 6.74 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.35 (s, 1H), 1.62 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.5, 161.1, 150.2, 135.9, 135.8, 133.4, 132.5, 129.7, 129.4,

129.2, 128.2, 127.6, 127.5, 126.7, 124.5, 123.4, 117.3, 117.1, 115.6, 115.4, 15.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{19}H_{14}FO [M - H]^-$ 277.1029, found 277.1033.

1-[1-(4-Trifluoromethylphenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (2e). Yield: 41% (33 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 146–148 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.86–7.80 (m, 2H), 7.52–7.47 (m, 2H), 7.45–7.40 (m, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 2H), 7.34–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 6.92 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.68 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, 143.3, 133.7, 132.5, 132.1, 130.0, 129.6, 129.2, 128.3, 126.9, 126.2, 125.7 (2C), 125.6 (2C), 124.3, 123.6, 122.8, 117.2, 116.8, 15.7. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₄F₃O [M – H]⁻ 327.0997, found 327.1018.

1-[1-(3-Chlorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (**2f**). Yield: 69% (51 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.85–7.79 (m, 2H), 7.48–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.37–7.30 (m, 3H), 7.27 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.19 (dt, *J* = 7.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.17–7.12 (m, 1H), 7.08 (dt, *J* = 7.4, 1.6 Hz, 1H), 6.83 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 1.64 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, 141.8, 134.7, 133.5, 132.5, 131.1, 129.9 (2C), 129.2, 128.3, 127.6, 126.8, 125.9, 124.4, 124.3, 123.5, 117.2, 116.9, 15.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄ClO [M – H]⁻ 293.0733, found 293.0738.

1-[1-(3-Fluorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (**2g**). Yield: 44% (30 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.87–7.78 (m, 2H), 7.50–7.42 (m, 1H), 7.36–7.31 (m, 2H), 7.28 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.20 (td, *J* = 8.0, 6.1 Hz, 1H), 7.04 (d, *J* = 7.9 Hz, 1H), 7.01–6.95 (m, 1H), 6.91 (td, *J* = 8.3, 2.5 Hz, 1H), 6.84 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.30 (s, 1H), 1.64 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.4, 161.0, 149.3, 141.2 (2C), 132.6, 131.5, 129.9, 129.1 (2C), 128.9, 128.2, 127.3, 125.8, 123.4, 122.5, 120.6 (2C), 116.2, 116.0, 113.5, 113.3, 111.9, 111.7, 14.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FO [M – H]⁻ 277.1029, found 277.1022.

1-[1-(2-Methylphenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (2h). Yield: 88% (60 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79–7.74 (m, 2H), 7.54 (dd, J = 8.2, 0.8 Hz, 1H), 7.34–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.23 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.20–7.12 (m, 3H), 7.11–7.08 (m, 1H), 6.37 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.58 (s, 1H), 2.31 (s, 3H), 1.70 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, 141.1, 135.3, 135.0, 133.5, 132.6, 131.4, 129.7, 129.3, 129.2, 128.2, 127.3, 126.5, 126.1, 124.8, 123.2, 118.7, 117.1, 20.9, 15.7. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₇O [M – H]⁻ 273.1279, found 273.1271.

1-[1-(2-Chlorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (2i). Yield: 70% (52 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.70 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 2H), 7.64 (d, J = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.31 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 2H), 7.26–7.20 (m, 1H), 7.16 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.10–6.98 (m, 3H), 6.54 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 1.62 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.6, 138.9, 135.8, 131.5, 130.9, 130.3, 129.5, 129.4, 128.7, 128.1, 127.3, 127.2, 125.8, 125.7, 123.5, 122.2, 117.2, 116.2, 14.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄ClO [M – H]⁻ 293.0733, found 293.0724.

1-[1-(2-Fluorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (2j). Yield: 78% (54 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.82–7.75 (m, 2H), 7.59 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.37–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.26–7.24 (m, 1H), 7.18–7.12 (m, 1H), 7.07 (dd, *J* = 11.4, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.00–6.89 (m, 2H), 6.83 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.51 (s, 1H), 1.66 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 160.6, 158.1, 149.3, 134.6, 134.5, 131.5, 129.1 (2C), 128.7, 128.2, 127.9, 127.7, 127.6, 127.4, 127.3, 125.8, 123.4, 123.3, 123.2, 122.4, 116.9, 116.2, 115.4, 115.1, 14.7. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄FO [M – H]⁻ 277.1029, found 277.1017.

2-[[(1*Z*)-3-(2-Trifluoromethylphenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]oxy]naphthalene (1*k*'). Yield: 23% (19 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 95–96 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.79–7.72 (m, 3H), 7.66 (dd, *J* = 12.9, 7.9 Hz, 2H), 7.51 (t, *J* = 7.6 Hz, 1H), 7.46–7.41 (m, 1H), 7.39– 7.32 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.15 (m, 3H), 6.45 (dt, *J* = 15.8, 5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.86 (dd, *J* = 5.8, 1.4 Hz, 2H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.4, 134.5, 133.4, 130.9, 129.7, 129.0, 128.5, 128.0, 127.9, 127.3, 126.6 (2C), 126.5, 126.0, 125.8, 125.4, 124.8, 124.7, 122.7, 122.3, 117.9, 106.1, 67.4. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₄F₃O [M – H][–] 327.0997, found 327.0996. 2-(1-Phenyl-1-propen-1-yl)-1-naphthol (2a'(Z)). Yield: 35% (23 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 89−91 °C. ¹H NMR (600 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.32−8.23 (m, 1H), 7.86−7.78 (m, 1H), 7.55−7.49 (m, 2H), 7.44 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 3.7 Hz, 3H), 7.25 (s, 2H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 6.56 (q, J = 6.8 Hz, 1H), 5.61 (s, 1H), 1.76 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₅O [M − H][−] 259.1123, found 259.1131. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

7-Bromo-1-(1-phenyl-1-propen-1-yl)-2-naphthol (**2**). Yield: 99% (84 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.68–7.63 (m, 2H), 7.38 (dd, J = 8.6, 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.26 (s, 3H), 7.25–7.23 (m, 1H), 6.83 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (s, 1H), 1.62 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.1, 138.2, 133.0, 132.7, 129.3, 128.8, 128.5, 127.8, 126.8, 126.5, 125.8, 125.6, 124.8, 120.2, 116.6, 116.1, 14.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄BrO [M – H]⁻ 337.0228, found 337.0227.

7-Bromo-1-[1-(2-chlorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (**2m**). Yield: 42% (39 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.43–7.40 (m, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.23 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.19–7.10 (m, 3H), 6.61 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.71 (s, 1H), 1.70 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.4, 138.6, 136.4, 132.8, 130.9, 129.8, 129.5 (2C), 128.9, 128.7, 127.5, 126.5, 125.9, 125.7, 125.6, 120.2, 116.7, 116.6, 14.7. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrClO [M – H]⁻ 370.9838, found 370.9831.

7-Bromo-1-[1-(3-chlorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (2n). Yield: 80% (75 mg) as a yellow solid. Mp: 121–123 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.60 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 8.6, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.29–7.24 (m, 2H), 7.22–7.13 (m, 2H), 7.08 (dt, *J* = 7.5, 1.4 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (s, 1H), 1.61 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.1, 140.2, 133.8, 132.8, 131.7, 130.6, 129.0, 128.9, 128.8, 126.8, 126.6, 125.9, 125.4, 124.7, 123.1, 120.4, 116.7, 115.3, 14.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrClO [M – H]⁻ 370.9838, found 370.9834.

6-Bromo-1-(1-phenyl-1-propen-1-yl)-2-naphthol (**2o**). Yield: 70% (59 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.95 (s, 1H), 7.72 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.37 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 2H), 7.31–7.28 (m, 1H), 7.26–7.25 (m, 1H), 7.25–7.22 (m, 4H), 6.82 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 1.62 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.6, 139.4, 133.9, 131.2, 130.3, 130.1, 130.0, 129.9, 128.8, 128.7, 127.7, 126.5, 125.9, 118.3, 117.9, 117.1, 15.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₄BrO [M – H]⁻ 337.0228, found 337.0221.

6-Bromo-1-[1-(4- fluorophenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]-2-naphthol (**2p**). Yield: 45% (40 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.95 (d, *J* = 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.71 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (dd, *J* = 9.0, 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (dd, *J* = 14.9, 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 2H), 6.96– 6.88 (m, 2H), 6.73 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.39 (s, 1H), 1.60 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 162.6, 160.1, 149.5, 134.5 (2C), 131.9, 130.0, 129.3, 129.1, 128.9, 128.6 (2C), 127.8, 126.5, 126.4, 125.3, 117.3, 116.6, 116.2, 114.7, 114.5, 14.4. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrFO [M – H]⁻ 335.0134, found 355.0128.

6-Methoxy-1-(1-phenyl-1-propen-1-yl)-2-naphthol (**2q**). Yield: 96% (70 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.70 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.40 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.29–7.26 (m, 2H), 7.25–7.18 (m, 4H), 7.13 (d, J = 2.6 Hz, 1H), 7.00 (dd, J = 9.1, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 6.78 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.21 (s, 1H), 3.87 (s, 3H), 1.62 (d, J =6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.9, 148.7, 139.8, 134.6, 130.0, 129.4, 128.7, 128.2, 127.9, 127.5, 126.2, 125.9, 119.1, 118.0, 117.5, 106.6, 55.3, 15.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₁₇O₂ [M – H]⁻ 289.1229, found 289.1226.

7-Hydroxy-6-(1-phenyl-1-propen-1-yl)quinoline(**2***r*). Yield: 92% (60 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.65 (dd, J = 4.2, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 8.01 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.50 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.35–7.13 (m, 7H), 6.77 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 1.62 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.3, 146.0, 142.7, 138.7, 132.8, 132.3, 129.1, 128.4, 127.6, 127.0, 126.5, 124.8, 120.4, 120.3, 116.8, 14.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₈H₁₄NO [M – H] ⁻ 260.1075, found 260.1074.

7-Hydroxy-6-[1-(4-methylphenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]quinoline(**2s**). Yield: 35% (24 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.75 (s, 1H), 8.16 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.54 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.27 (s, 1H), 7.13 (d, *J* = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.06 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 2H), 6.80 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (s, 1H), 2.30 (s, 3H), 1.62 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 149.8, 146.2, 143.0, 136.6, 135.6, 132.3 (2C), 129.4, 128.5, 128.4, 128.0, 126.9, 124.7, 120.4, 120.1, 116.7, 20.0, 14.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₈NO [M + H]⁺ 276.1388, found 276.1380.

7-Hydroxy-6-[1-(2-methylphenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]quinoline (**2t**). Yield: 99% (68 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 201–202 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.71 (d, *J* = 2.8 Hz, 1H), 8.02 (d, *J* = 9.0 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.45 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.26–7.22 (m, 1H), 7.21–7.08 (m, 4H), 6.39 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 1.70 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.0, 147.2, 144.0, 141.0, 135.4, 134.4, 133.8, 133.3, 131.5, 130.6, 129.4, 127.8, 127.5, 126.2, 121.3, 121.2, 118.7, 20.8, 15.8. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₈NO [M + H]⁺ 276.1388, found 276.1381.

2-Methyl-7-hydroxy-6-(1-phenyl-1-propen-1-yl)quinoline (2u). Yield: 92% (64 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 220 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.00 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.46 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.30–7.21 (m, 6H), 7.12 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 6.82 (q, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.68 (s, 3H), 1.63 (d, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.0, 149.2, 142.7, 138.6, 132.8, 132.5, 132.4, 128.9, 128.8, 127.8, 126.8, 124.9, 121.5, 119.7, 116.6, 23.8, 14.6. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₆NO [M – H]⁻ 274.1232, found 274.1233.

2-Methyl-7-hydroxy-6-[1-(4-methylphenyl)-1-propen-1-yl]quinoline (**2v**). Yield: 78% (56 mg) as a yellow oil. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.90 (dd, J = 9.1, 0.6 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.38 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.08–7.02 (m, 3H), 7.00–6.95 (m, 2H), 6.68 (q, J = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 2.59 (s, 3H), 2.22 (s, 3H), 1.53 (d, J = 6.9 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 155.9, 150.2, 143.6, 137.5, 136.8, 133.6, 133.5, 129.6, 129.4, 128.7, 126.0, 125.8, 122.4, 120.8, 117.8, 24.7, 21.1, 15.5. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₂₀H₂₀NO [M + H]⁺ 290.1545, found, 290.1537.

2-Methyl-1-phenylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3a**). Yield: 85% (55 mg) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.77 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.67 (dd, *J* = 20.8, 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.55–7.44 (m, 5H), 7.38 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.28 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.2 (2C), 133.1, 129.7, 129.5, 127.8, 127.6, 126.8, 126.5, 124.6, 123.5, 122.9, 122.1, 121.2, 117.9, 111.0, 11.3. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

1-(1-Phenylallyl)-2-naphthol (4a). Yield: 90% (59 mg) as a yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, J = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.79 (d, J = 8.0 Hz, 1H), 7.73 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.39 (m, 1H), 7.35–7.28 (m, 5H), 7.10 (d, J = 8.8 Hz, 1H), 6.60 (ddd, J = 16.8, 10.2, 6.0 Hz, 1H), 5.70 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 2H), 5.42 (d, J = 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, J = 17.3 Hz, 1H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.6, 139.7, 137.9, 132.0, 128.6, 128.4, 127.9, 127.8, 127.1, 125.9, 125.6, 122.1, 121.8, 118.3, 117.8, 117.6, 45.1. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.^{14b}

2-Methyl-1-(4-fluorophenyl)naphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3d**). Yield: 14% (10 mg) as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1H), 7.73–7.67 (m, 2H), 7.63 (d, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.43 (m, 2H), 7.39 (t, *J* = 6.9 Hz, 1H), 7.30 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 1H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.6, 161.2, 151.4, 151.2, 132.1 (2C), 130.7, 130.1, 130.0, 128.9, 127.8, 125.7, 124.6, 124.0, 122.9, 122.2, 118.0, 115.8, 115.6, 112.1, 12.3. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

2-Methyl-1-(3-chlorophenyl)naphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3f**). Yield: 58% (43 mg) as a yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.92 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74–7.68 (m, 2H), 7.63 (dd, *J* = 8.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.51 (s, 1H), 7.48–7.44 (m, 2H), 7.43–7.37 (m, 2H), 7.35–7.29 (m, 1H), 2.43 (d, *J* = 1.8 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.5, 151.3, 136.2, 134.4, 130.8, 130.5, 129.9, 128.9, 128.8, 127.8, 127.7, 125.8, 124.8, 124.1, 123.0, 121.9, 117.8, 112.0, 12.3. HRMS(APCI): Calcd for C₁₉H₁₄ClO [M + H]⁺ 293.0733, found 293.0732.

2-Methyl-1-(3-fluorophenyl)naphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3g**). Yield: 80% (56 mg) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91 (d, J = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 1H), 7.69 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.63 (dd, J = 8.9, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.51–7.44 (m, 1H), 7.42–7.36 (m, 1H), 7.34–7.27 (m, 2H), 7.23–7.12 (m, 2H), 2.42 (d, J = 1.3 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl3): δ 163.0, 160.6, 150.4, 150.2, 135.5, 135.4, 129.7, 129.1, 129.0, 127.9, 126.6, 125.3 (2C), 124.7, 123.7, 123.1, 122.0, 120.9, 116.9 (2C), 116.5, 116.3, 113.7, 113.4, 111.0, 11.3. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

2-Methyl-1-(2-methylphenyl)naphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3h**). Yield: 81% (56 mg) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 7.89 (d, *J* = 8.1 Hz, 1H), 7.66 (q, *J* = 8.9 Hz, 2H), 7.43 (d, *J* = 8.4 Hz, 1H), 7.41–7.30 (m, 5H), 7.24 (d, *J* = 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.35 (s, 3H), 2.13 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.4, 150.8, 138.3, 133.6, 131.0, 130.7, 130.2, 128.7, 128.2, 126.2, 126.0, 124.4, 124.0, 122.6, 118.0, 112.2, 20.0, 12.3. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

2-Methyl-7-bromo-1-phenylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3***l*). Yield: 84% (71 mg) as a white solid. Mp:78–80 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.91 (s, 1H), 7.74 (d, *J* = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.65–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.57–7.52 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.43 (m, 4H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 150.6 (2C), 132.3, 129.3, 128.1, 127.9, 127.7, 126.9, 126.3, 124.6, 123.2, 120.5, 118.8, 117.8, 111.4, 11.3. HRMS(APCI): Calcd for C₁₉H₁₄BrO [M + H]⁺ 337.0228, found 337.0202.

2-Methyl-7-bromo-1-(2-chlorophenyl)naphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3**m). Yield: 64% (60 mg) as a colorless liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.74 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.67–7.61 (m, 3H), 7.58 (d, J = 1.9 Hz, 1H), 7.49–7.40 (m, 4H), 2.38 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.2, 150.7, 134.2, 131.5, 131.3, 129.2, 129.0, 128.8, 128.0, 127.9, 126.4, 126.1, 124.2, 123.3, 120.7, 119.0, 115.0, 111.5, 11.5. HRMS(APCI): Calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrClO [M + H]⁺ 370.9838, found 370.9809.

2-Methyl-7-bromo-1-(3-chlorophenyl)naphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3**n). Yield: 66% (62 mg) as a yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.88 (d, J = 1.6 Hz, 1H), 7.75 (d, J = 8.7 Hz, 1H), 7.66–7.59 (m, 2H), 7.51–7.44 (m, 4H), 7.41–7.35 (m, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.9, 151.7, 135.4, 134.6, 130.4, 130.3, 130.0, 129.2, 128.7, 128.6, 128.1, 127.5, 125.5, 124.6, 121.1, 120.0, 117.6, 112.5, 12.4. HRMS(APCI): Calcd for C₁₉H₁₃BrClO [M + H]⁺ 370.9838, found 370.9810.

2-Methyl-6-bromo-1-phenylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan (**30**). Yield: 44% (38 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 80–82 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (d, J = 2.0 Hz, 1H), 7.64 (t, J = 9.0 Hz, 2H), 7.57 (d, J = 8.9 Hz, 1H), 7.55–7.44 (m, 5H), 7.34 (dd, J = 8.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.8, 151.3, 133.8, 132.1, 130.7, 130.4, 128.8, 128.7, 127.8, 126.3, 124.9, 123.5, 122.5, 118.8, 117.7, 113.1, 12.3. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

2-Methyl-6-bromo-1-(4-fluorophenyl)naphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3p**). Yield: 55% (49 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 116–118 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.05 (s, 1H), 7.64 (dd, J = 8.9, 1.5 Hz, 1H), 7.60–7.55 (m, 2H), 7.47–7.40 (m, 2H), 7.36 (dd, J = 8.9, 1.7 Hz, 1H), 7.24–7.19 (m, 2H), 2.41 (d, J = 1.5 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 163.7, 161.2, 152.0, 151.2, 132.1, 132.0, 130.8, 129.6 (2C), 128.9, 126.2, 124.6, 123.6, 122.4, 117.8 (2C), 115.9, 115.7, 113.1, 12.3. Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

2-Methyl-6-methoxy-1-phenylnaphtho[2,1-b]furan (**3q**). Yield: 77% (56 mg) as a white solid. Mp: 68–69 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 7.67 (d, J = 9.2 Hz, 1H), 7.62–7.58 (m, 2H), 7.54– 7.45 (m, 5H), 7.24 (s, 1H), 6.96 (dd, J = 9.1, 2.6 Hz, 1H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 2.41 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.1, 151.3, 150.2, 134.2, 131.9, 130.5, 128.6, 127.5, 124.6, 123.3, 122.8, 122.6, 118.7, 117.5, 112.4, 107.6, 55.3, 12.3. HRMS(APCI): Calcd for C₂₀H₁₇O₂ [M + H]⁺ 289.1229, found 289.1225.

5-Methyl-6-phenylfuro[2,3-h]quinoline (3r). Yield: 86% (56 mg) as a yellow solid. Mp: 100–101 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.86–8.78 (m, 1H), 8.13–8.06 (m, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.86 (dd, J = 9.1, 1.3 Hz, 1H), 7.57–7.45 (m, 5H), 7.22–7.17 (m, 1H),

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2.45 (d, J = 1.2 Hz, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.4, 149.8, 147.0, 145.1, 132.4, 130.3, 129.2, 127.8, 126.9, 124.5, 121.9, 121.1, 119.2, 118.1, 114.4, 11.3. MS(ESI): Calcd for C₁₈H₁₄NO [M + H]⁺ 260.1075, found 260.1046.

5-Methyl-6-(2-methylphenyl)furo[2,3-h]quinoline (**3t**). Yield: 75% (52 mg) as a yellow liquid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.81 (d, J = 2.9 Hz, 1H), 7.98 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.87 (d, J = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.74 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.45–7.38 (m, 2H), 7.37–7.29 (m, 2H), 7.17 (dd, J = 8.4, 4.3 Hz, 1H), 2.37 (s, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 151.0, 149.8, 147.1, 145.0, 136.9, 131.7, 129.8, 129.3, 127.4 (2C), 125.3, 124.4, 122.1, 121.5, 119.5, 117.1, 114.4, 114.3, 18.9, 11.3. HRMS (ESI): calcd for C₁₉H₁₆NO [M + H]⁺ 274.1232, found 274.1199.

5-Methyl-6-(4-methylphenyl)-9-methylfuro[2,3-h]quinoline (**3v**). Yield: 10% (7 mg) as a yellow solid. Mp: 100–101 °C. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 8.02 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 7.88 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.80 (d, *J* = 9.1 Hz, 1H), 7.38–7.30 (m, 4H), 7.08 (d, *J* = 8.6 Hz, 1H), 2.70 (s, 3H), 2.48 (s, 3H), 2.43 (s, 3H). ¹³C NMR (101 MHz, CDCl₃): δ 156.5, 152.2, 150.5, 145.7, 137.5, 131.5, 130.5, 130.1, 129.5, 124.8, 122.3, 120.9 (2C), 118.9, 115.0, 25.1, 21.4, 12.3. HRMS (ESI): calcd for $C_{20}H_{18}NO$ [M + H]⁺ 288.1388, found 288.1387.

2-Methyl-3-phenylnaphtho[1,2-b]furan (**3**a'). Yield: 20% (13 mg) as a white solid. ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl_3): δ 8.32 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.93 (d, J = 8.2 Hz, 1H), 7.70–7.64 (m, 2H), 7.61–7.46 (m, 6H), 7.39 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 1H), 2.66 (s, 3H). Spectral data obtained were in agreement with those reported in the literature.¹⁰

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