

GS4-2 Copper-catalyzed synthesis of 2-(aminomethyl)indoles and poly-cyclic indoles by domino reactions utilizing threecomponent coupling

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New methods that produce complex, useful molecules from simpler materials in a single reaction vessel and minimize the requisite reagents, solvents, cost, time, and separation processes are important challenges in modern synthetic chemistry. We developed a novel copper(I)-catalyzed synthesis of 2-(aminomethyl)indoles, which are found in various biologically active compounds, by a three-component coupling–cyclization reaction. The reaction using *o*-bromobenzylamine derivatives followed by palladium-catalyzed arylation at the 3-position of indole afforded benzoazepine-fused indoles in good yields. In sharp contrast, copper-catalyzed three-component indole formation using the same amines followed by demesylation with NaOMe gave indole-fused 1,4-diazepines, which are expected to be an attractive drug template, through copper-catalyzed *N*-arylation of indole under microwave irradiation.

