

Convenient Route to Efavirenz Analogues as Potential non-Nucleoside HIV-1 Reverse Transcriptase Inhibitors

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Treating 2-chloro-4-(4-chlorophenyl)-6-methylbenzo[d]-3,1-oxazin-2-one (**1**) with one equivalent of alcohol or mercaptane led, after hydrolysis with aq. NaOH, to the formation of 4,4-disubstituted-1,4-dihydro-2H-6-methyl-3,1-benzoxazin-2-ones (**3**). Large excess addition of alcohol afforded either 4'-chloro-2-isocyanato-5-methylbenzophenone disubstitutedketal (**4**) or N-{2-[(4-chlorophenyl)dialkoxymethyl]-4-methylphenyl} alkylcarbamate (**5**). Reaction of **4** with primary amines furnished 1-{2-[(4-chlorophenyl)dialkoxymethyl]-4-methylphenyl}-3-substituted urea (**6**).

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