One-Pot Synthesis of Benzimidazo[2,1-b]thiazoline Derivatives through an Addition/Cyclization/Oxidative Coupling Reaction

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A novel and efficient approach to the synthesis of benzimidazo[2,1-b]thiazoline derivatives has been developed through an addition/cyclization/intramolecular oxidative C–H functionalization process. A variety of alkylene benzimidazo[2,1-b] thiazolines were conveniently assembled from the reaction of aryl isothiocyanate and propargylic amine in the presence of Cu(OAc)2 and PIFA at room temperature. The product could be further converted to substituted benzimidazo[2,1-b]thiazole derivatives.