CHIRAL AND NON CHIRAL N-BOC PROTECTED 7-AZAINDOLINES IN BATCH AND FLOW

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7-Azindolines are a common structural motif in modern drugs.¹ Despite this fact only a couple of general methods have been developed to synthesise these compounds. Especially *N*-Boc protected 7-azaindolines with a variety of halogenated substituents have only been reported a few times mainly through reduction of Azaindoles 2^2 or the alkylation of *N*-Boc protected 2-aminopyridines **3** (Scheme 1).³





In our ongoing efforts to make new chiral building blocks for the pharmaceutical and agricultural industries as well as academia we have developed a general method from commercially available pyridines **4** and (*R*) or (*S*) *N*-Boc 1,2,3-oxathiazolidine-2,2-dioxides **5** to make chiral and non chiral *N*-Boc 7-azaindolines **6** in a 2 step procedure (Scheme 2, only one enantiomer shown for clarity).⁴



Scheme 2.

We will present our findings in optimizing the two synthetic steps in multi-gram scale. Challenges, limitations and solutions for the synthesis using conventional batch reactors will be discussed and we will also show our results for the cyclisation using a flow chemistry reactor.

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