Supplementary information

Sulfonated reduced graphene oxide catalyzed cyclization of hydrazides and carbon dioxide

to 1,3,4-oxadiazoles under sonication

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Temperature / Sonication	Time (h)	5 wt% catalyst loading		20 wt% catalyst loading		50 wt% catalyst loading	
		PhCONHNH ₂	POxdO	PhCONHNH ₂	POxdO	PhCONHNH ₂	POxdO
	3	100	0	93.4	6.6	91.6	8.4
25 °C /	6	100	0	87.2	12.8	85.5	14.5
Conventional	24	99.8	0	78.8	20.2	79.2	20.8
	48	99.0	1.0	76.6	23.4	75.0	25.0
	72	99.0	1.0	71.3	28.7	69.9	30.1
	96	98.1	1.8	63.7	36.3	61.7	38.3
	Time (min)	5 wt% catalyst loading		20 wt% catalyst loading		50 wt% catalyst loading	
		PhCONHNH ₂	POxdO	PhCONHNH ₂	POxdO	PhCONHNH ₂	POxdO
	10	99.0	1.0	93.0	7.0	92.3	7.7
25 °C /	30	94.5	5.5	83.6	16.4	81.2	18.8
Sonication	50	94.0	6.0	69.7	30.3	65.0	35.0
	60	93.0	7.0	66.0	34.0	63.6	36.4
	90	92.8	7.2	63.2	36.8	62.1	37.9
	120	92.8	7.1	61.0	39.0	60.0	40
	10	98.0	2.0	89.9	10.1	88.2	11.8
40 °C /	30	97.4	2.6	81.8	18.2	76.8	23.2
Sonication	50	92.6	7.4	67.5	32.5	63.0	37.0
	60	91.8	8.2	63.9	36.1	62.2	37.8
	90	91.0	8.2	63.0	37.0	61.0	39.0
	120	92.0	8.0	60.6	39.4	60.4	39.6
	10	97.0	3.0	89.1	10.9	88.0	12.0
50 °C /	30	93.0	7.0	74.5	25.5	73.0	27.0
Sonication	50	90.1	9.9	62.0	38.0	70.2	29.8
	60	90.0	9.0	59.7	40.3	68.1	41.9
	90	90.3	9.7	59.0	41.0	57.7	42.3
	120	90.7	9.3	58.9	41.1	57.2	42.8
	10	97.1	1.9	91.2	9.8	89.5	10.5
75 °C /	30	92.8	1.5	83.2	16.8	79.8	20.2
Sonication	50	93.6	6.4	70.0	30.0	70.0	30.0
	60	90.3	9.7	72.4	27.6	69.3	30.7
	90	90.6	9.4	73.6	26.4	70.0	30.0
	120	90.8	8.2	74.0	26.0	71.0	29.0
	10	98.0	4.0	92.0	8.0	91.0	9.0
100 °C /	30	96.2	4.0	87.0	13.0	85.0	15.0
Sonication	50	95.1	4.9	79.1	20.9	77.7	22.3
	60	95.0	5.0	79.6	20.4	78.1	21.9
	90	95.0	9.7	80.9	19.1	80.0	20.0
	120	96.0	9.3	81.3	18.7	80.2	19.8

Table S1. Cyclization of 4-methyl benzohydrazide under various conditions.

^a All reactions employed in sealed, Teflon-lined 25 mL round bottomed flasks. Aliquots were picked out at time intervals listed in the table s1. The products were extracted in DMSO-d₆ (1 mL) and separated from the nano catalyst by the syringe filtration (0.2 μ m PTFE). Conversions were checked by integration of the hydrazide peak (CONHNH) of 4-methyl benzohydrazide or the ortho cyclic 1,3,4-oxadiazole of CONH.





























