Facile One-pot Synthesis of α -Formyloxy *N*-Phenylacetamides,

N-(Naphthalenyl)acetamide and N-(Quinolin-8-yl)acetamide

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Abstract:

A new one-pot synthesis of α -formyloxy N-phenylacetamides was successfully developed by reacting α -halo N-phenylacetamides with formamide in presence of PBr₃. The desired α -formyloxy N-phenylacetamides were obtained in good yields and the reaction was applicable to α -chloro N-(naphthalenyl)acetamide and N-(quinolin-8-yl)acetamide. Based on the plausible mechanism, α -chloro acetamide starting materials seemed to be active by coupling agent PBr₃ and favorable for conversion of formylation reaction with foramide.

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 $Y = F, Me_3, CR$
 $Y = F, Me_4, CR$
 $Y = F, Me_5, CR$
 $Y = F, Me$