Synthesis of 2-((indolyl) methyl) indendiones using benzyl alcohols

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1,3-Indenedione and its derivatives have attracted great interest because of their importance in organic chemistry. Many products which contain the subunit of 1,3-indenedione exhibit diverse biological activity such as antibacteril, anticoagulants, rodenticidal, analgesic, pesticidal and herbicidal activities. A very valuable method for the synthesis of 1,3-indenedione is knovenagel condensation of benzaldehydes with active methylene compound. In this research, we report our experimental results on the synthesis of z-(indolyl)-indenedione using different benzyl alcohols, 1,3-indenedione and indole.

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