### **Supporting Information**

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# A convenient synthesis of 3-arylideneindolin-2-ones and evaluation of their photoelectrochemical properties

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Figure S2: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-benzylideneindolin-2-one **3a** 



Figure S3: MS spectrum of (E)-3-benzylideneindolin-2-one 3a



Figure S4: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2-chlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3b



Figure S5: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2-chlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one **3b** 



Figure S6: MS spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2-chlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3b



Figure S7: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3c



Figure S8: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3c



Figure S9: MS spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2,4-dichlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3c



Figure S10: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzylidene)indolin-2-one 3d



Figure S11: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzylidene)indolin-2-one 3d



Figure S12: MS spectrum of (E)-3-(4-(trifluoromethoxy)benzylidene)indolin-2-one 3d



Figure S13: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-methoxybenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3e

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Figure S14: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-methoxybenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3e



Figure S15: MS spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-methoxybenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3e



Figure S16: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-nitrobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3f



Figure S17: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-nitrobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3f



Figure S18: MS spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-nitrobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3f



Figure S19: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-chlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3g





Figure S21: MS spectrum of (*E*)-3-(4-chlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3g



Figure S22: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-((2-oxoindolin-3-ylidene)methyl)benzonitrile **3h** 



Figure S23: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-((2-oxoindolin-3-ylidene)methyl)benzonitrile 3h



Figure S24: MS spectrum of (*E*)-3-((2-oxoindolin-3-ylidene)methyl)benzonitrile 3h



Figure S25: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2-bromobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3i



Figure S26: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-(2-bromobenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3i



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Figure S30: MS spectrum of (E)-3-(2-hydroxybenzylidene)indolin-2-one 3j



Figure S31: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-((*E*)-3-phenylallylidene)indolin-2-one 3k



Figure S32: <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectrum of (*E*)-3-((*E*)-3-phenylallylidene)indolin-2-one 3k



Figure S33: MS spectrum of (*E*)-3-((*E*)-3-phenylallylidene)indolin-2-one 3k



**Figure S34:** Photocurrent responses of a) (*E*)-3-benzylidineindolin-2-one in 0.5 M Na<sub>2</sub>SO4 at (1) 0.3 V, (2) 0.4 V, (3) 0.5 V and (4) 0.6 V vs Ag/AgCl in sat. KCl



**Figure S35**: Photocurrent responses of (*E*)-3-(4-chlorobenzylidene)indolin-2-one in  $0.5 \text{ M} \text{ Na}_2\text{SO4}$  at (1) 0.3 V, (2) 0.4 V, (3) 0.5 V and (4) 0.6 V vs Ag/AgCl in sat. KCl



**Figure S36:** Photocurrent responses of (E)-3-((E)-3-phenylallylidene)indolin-2-one in 0.5 M Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> at (1) 0.3 V, (2) 0.4 V, (3) 0.5 V and (4) 0.6 V vs Ag/AgCl in sat. KCl