

Synthetic Emergence in *N*-Arylimidazoles: A Review

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ABSTRACT Immense therapeutic potential of *N*-arylimidazoles prompted various researchers worldwide to develop different synthetic routes to these heterocycles. The present review highlights and summarises various synthetic approaches, conventional as well as greener protocols involved in the synthesis of *N*-arylimidazoles in the past two decades. The reported methods involve two basic approaches toward the synthesis of *N*-arylimidazoles (i) synthesis of imidazole moiety using open chain substrates and (ii) *N*-arylation of imidazoles.

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