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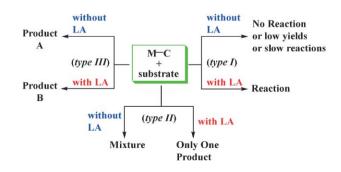
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René Severin and Sven Doye\*

The catalytic intermolecular hydroamination of alkynes: A powerful tool for synthetic organic chemists.

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#### Contemporary progresses on neutral, highly emissive Os(II) and Ru(II) complexes

Yun Chi\* and Pi-Tai Chou\*

Rational designs of neutral, highly luminescent Os(II) and Ru(II) complexes are given; these complexes not only are well suited for various fundamental investigations, but also have potential in extending toward applications such as OLEDs, optical communication and photovoltaic systems, etc.

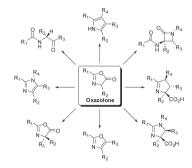


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#### The diverse chemistry of oxazol-5-(4H)-ones

Jason S. Fisk, Robert A. Mosey and Jetze J. Tepe\*

This tutorial review aims to summarize some of the more recent applications of oxazolones as a general template for the stereoselective syntheses of amino acids and heterocyclic scaffolds.

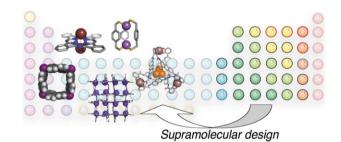


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#### Main group supramolecular chemistry

Melanie A. Pitt and Darren W. Johnson\*

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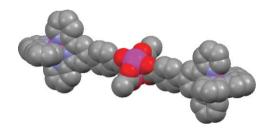


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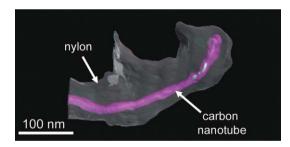
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#### Nanotomography in the chemical, biological and materials sciences

Paul A. Midgley,\* Edmund P. W. Ward, Ana B. Hungría and John Meurig Thomas\*

Nanotomography reveals shape, size, distribution and elemental composition for three-dimensional nanoscale investigations of key structures in the chemical, biological and materials sciences.

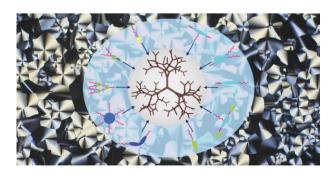


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#### Liquid crystalline dendrimers

Bertrand Donnio,\* Saïwan Buathong, Izabela Bury and Daniel Guillon

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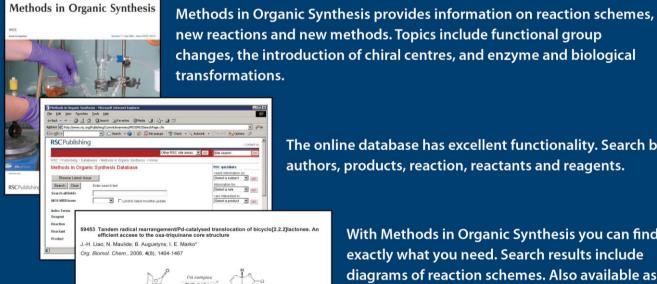


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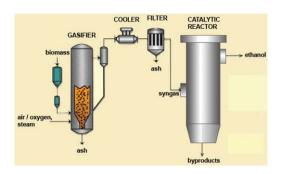
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#### Heterogeneous catalytic synthesis of ethanol from biomass-derived syngas

James J. Spivey\* and Adefemi Egbebi

The conversion of gasified biomass to ethanol requires an active and selective catalyst that reacts the clean syngas to ethanol. Rh-based catalysts have been the most widely studied.



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Xue-Mei Li, David Reinhoudt and Mercedes Crego-Calama

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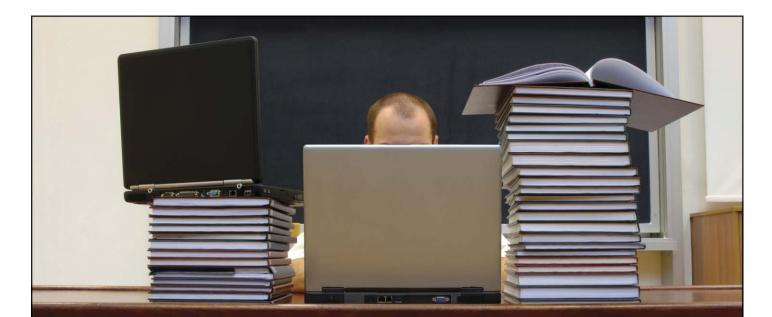
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