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Highlight Review

362 Palladium Catalyzed Aerobic Dehydrogenation: From Alcohols to Indoles and Asymmetric Catalysis



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Catalytic aerobic dehydrogenation of organic substrates is going through a Renaissance. Recent advances in this area have led to the discovery of palladium-catalyzed alcohol dehydrogenations and oxidative hetero- and carbocyclizations. The development of asymmetric catalytic dehydrogenations is the latest advance in a long line of catalytic asymmetric oxidation reactions.

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368 Loop Formation of Au Nanopaticles Adsorbed on Langmuir Monolayers

A Hybrid monolayer of a cationic amphiphile and Au nanoparticles at the air–water interface showed loop structure of the nanoparticles. The loops were $0.1-1 \ \mu m$ in size with a width of around 5 nm, and consisted of the single particle strings.



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Controllable crystalline nano-TiO $_2$ was prepared by homogeneous hydrolysis with toluene-p-sulfonic acid, where the mechamism was shown.

Wei Liu, Ai-Ping Chen, Jia-Ping Lin, Zi-Ming Dai, Wei Qiu, Wei Liu, Meng-Qin Zhu, and Shouji Usuda

392 High Oxide Ion Conductivity in Mg-Doped La₁₀Si₆O₂₇ with Apatite-type Structure

Mg doping increases the ionic conductivity of apatite-type $La_{10}Si_6O_{27}$.

nic x = 0 (1750°C) x = 0.3 (1750°C) x = 0.6 (1700°C) x = 0.6 (1700°C)

Hideki Yoshioka

394 Synthesis of Dimethyl Ether from Supercritical Methanol in the Presence of Aluminum

> Supercritical methanol is treated above 300 °C with aluminum metal to produce dimethyl ether.

Yuma Usui, Chihiro Wakai, Nobuyuki Matubayasi, and Masaru Nakahara

396 Facile Preparation of Anion Trapping Polymer Electrolytes by Reaction between 9-Borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (9-BBN) and Poly(propylene oxide)

Tomonobu Mizumo, Kenji Sakamoto, Noriyoshi Matsumi, and Hiroyuki Ohno

398 Stably-dispersed and Surface-functional Bionanoparticles Prepared by Self-assembling Amphipathic Polymers of Hydrophilic Poly-(γ-glutamic acid) Bearing Hydrophobic Amino Acids

> Michiya Matsusaki, Ken-ichiro Hiwatari, Mariko Higashi, Tatsuo Kaneko, and Mitsuru Akashi

Surface-functional bionanoparticles were prepared by self-assembling amphipathic poly(γ glutamic acid) derivatives with a hydrophilo backbone and hydrophobic phenylalanine and leucine side groups. Poly(γ -glutamic acid) bearing phenylalanine nanospheres exhibited excellent water-dispersibility, surface functionality and appropriate size (200 nm) for medical use. Additive PEG conjugation assisted nanoparticle formation of leucine-grafted poly(γ -glutamic acid).

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410 Substituent Effect on Regioselectivity in Oxygenation of Multisubstituted Acenes

Xin Zhou, Masanori Kitamura, Baojian Shen, Kiyohiko Nakajima, and Tamotsu Takahashi

412 Decomposition of Carbon Dioxide by the Dielectric Barrier Discharge (DBD) Plasma Using Ca_{0.7}Sr_{0.3}TiO₃ Barrier

There was no virtual difference on CO₂ conversion by dielectric barrier discharge (DBD) plasma using silica glass or alumina as the dielectric barriers, however, the conversion was much higher using Ca_{0.7}Sr_{0.3}TiO₃, which fabricated by liquid phase sintering at 1200 °C for 2 h adding Li₂Si₂O₅ (melting temperature ca. 1030 °C) additive. The results suggested that the reactivity of CO₂ was significantly improved by increasing the permittivity of dielectric barrier material.

Ruixing Li, Qing Tang, Shu Yin, Yukishige Yamaguchi, and Tsugio Sato

414 Synthesis of Macrocyclic Arylene Ketone Oligomers Containing the Phthaloyl Moiety by Friedel–Crafts Acylation Reaction

Synthesis and ring-opening polymerization of macrocyclic arylene ketone oligomers

416 The Studies on the Aqueous Dispersed Particles Formed from Monoolein/Monopalmitin/Water Mixture

Qingzhong Guo, Shuqin Bo, and Tianlu Chen

Cubic particles were formed when monoolein/ monopalitin mixture was dispersed in 5–2000 times excess water by vortexing.

Zhining Wang, Joom Y. Um, Liqiang Zheng, and Ganzuo Li

Akane Miyazaki, Kazumasa Shibazaki, Yoshio Nakano, Mitsuteru Ogawa, and Ioan Balint

418 Efficient Catalytic Reduction of Concentrated Nitric Acid on the Adsorption Sites of Activated Carbon

Chemical denitration of concentrated nitric acid by formic acid at low temperature (325 K) was found to occur through 3 stages: (1) induction period, in which the concentration of one of the reaction intermediates, HNO₂, increase up to ca. 0.005 mol/L, (2) autocatalytic formation of HNO₂ up to 0.07 mol/L, and (3) effective denitration starts by the formation of gaseous reaction products (NO, N₂O, NO₂, and CO₂). The adsorption site of active carbon was found to have a catalytic effect in the first stage. By addition of active carbon (10 g/L), the induction period of chemical denitration was practically suppressed.

Seung H. Huh and Atsushi Nakajima

444 An Improved Synthesis of Chacotriose

Vincent Lequart, Gérard Goethals, Joseph Banoub, Pierre Villa, and Patrick Martin

446 Syntheses and Structure of a Novel Layered Lanthanide–Zinc Coordination Polymer: [LaZn(HIDA)(IDA)₂·0.5H₂O]_n

> Hongbin Xu, Yahui Zhao, Zhongmin Su, Guanghua Li, Yue Ma, Kuizhan Shao, Dongxia Zhu, Hengjun Zhang, and Shumei Yue

La ions are lined through sharing the O atoms of IDA ligands to form a 1-D zig-zag chain, and octahedron-coordinated Zn ions are beside the 1-D chain, alternately. And then HIDA ligand showing an unusual protonated helix bridging mode, link the 1-D zig-zag inorganic chain into 2-D layered structure.

448 Two-Photon Absorption Cross-Sections of Fluorene Derivatives with Cationic Substituents

newly synthesized and their twophoton absorption (TPA) crosssections were examined. As a result, much larger TPA crosssections were observed for compounds **2** and **4** than those observed for the compounds **1** and **3**.

Fluorene derivatives with an

ionic substituent (2 and 4) were

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Yasuro Niidome, Hironobu Takahashi, Shinji Urakawa, Koji Nishioka, and Sunao Yamada

456 Photochromism of Diarylethene-capped Gold Nanoparticles

Kenji Matsuda, Masumi Ikeda, and Masahiro Irie

> Ranbo Yu, Dan Wang, Shintaro Ishiwata, Takashi Saito, Masaki Azuma, Mikio Takano, Yunfa Chen, and Jinghai Li

By careful control of the reaction conditions, especially organic amine and acidity, system the first organically templated layered cerium phosphate flouride has been hydrothermally synthesized. Its unique layered structure is based on a network of novel polyhedral CeO_3F_5 and tetrahedral PO₄. The structure consists of macroanionic $[Ce^{IV}F_3(HPO_4)]$ sheets separated by diprotonated ethylenediammonium cations.

