

## Book Reviews

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**Organic Reactions. Volume 57.** Edited by Larry E. Overman. Wiley, New York. 2001. vii + 693 pp. 16 × 23.5 cm. ISBN 0-471-43511-2. \$125.00

This book is another in the established series. This volume contains three chapters describing reactions that are important for a variety of synthetic applications, and it also includes the author, chapter, and topic indexes for Volumes 1–57. Chapter 1 is Intermolecular Metal-Catalyzed Carbenoid Cyclopropanations by Huw M. L. Davies and Evan G. Antoulinakis; Chapter 2 is Oxidation of Phenolic Compounds with Organohypervalent Iodine Reagents by Robert M. Moriarty and Om Prakash; Chapter 3 is Synthetic Uses of Tosylmethyl Isocyanide (TosMIC) by Daan van Leusen and Albert M. van Leusen. Each chapter begins with a detailed table of contents that effectively delineates the scope of the organic reactions included in the chapter. Each chapter also includes extensive tables of prior literature descriptions of the use of the basic chemistry. These tables

include the many examples that utilize these synthetic reactions, and they cite the original literature where the details are more completely described.

This volume is an essential addition to library and personal collections of the other volumes in this series. Those scientists who frequently use the synthetic chemistry summarized in the chapters of this volume will want to add the book to their personal libraries. This volume continues the excellent tradition of the previous volumes of Organic Reactions.

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