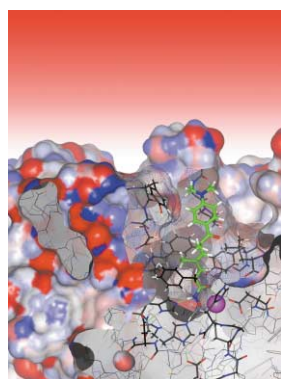


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The calculated structure of the potent HDAC inhibitor TSA, binding to an HDAC analogue. A solvent accessible surface around the protein is displayed, partially cut away to reveal the underlying active site, in which the catalytic zinc ion and some relevant polar interactions are highlighted.



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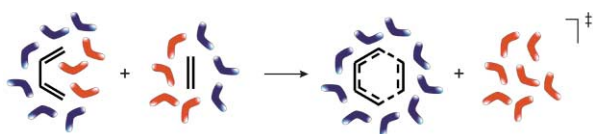
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Hydrophobic interactions and chemical reactivity

Sijbren Otto and Jan B. F. N. Engberts

The influence of hydrophobic interactions on rates of chemical reactions can be a useful tool in organic synthesis as well as for the study of these hydrophobic interactions.



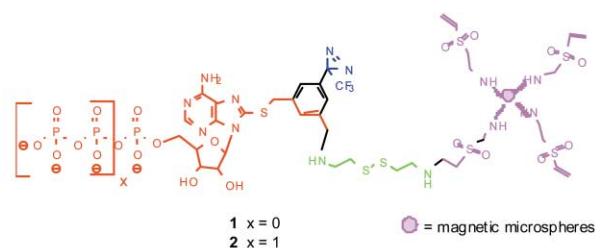
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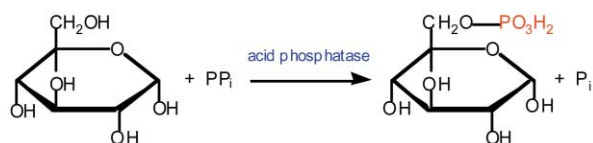
Photoaffinity labeling on magnetic microspheres (PALMm) methodology for topographic mapping: preparation of PALMm reagents and demonstration of biochemical relevance

Efrat Halbfinger, Karine Gorochesky, Sébastien A. Lévesque, Adrien R. Beaudoin, Larisa Sheihet, Shlomo Margel and Bilha Fischer

PALMm reagents bound to magnetic-microspheres were designed and evaluated for the topographic mapping of ATP-binding proteins.



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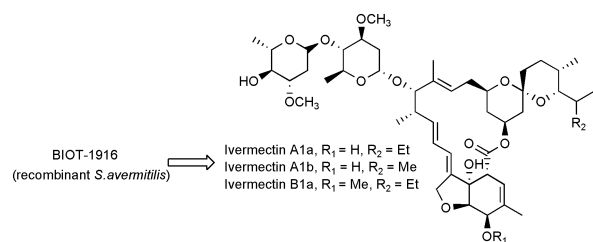


Phosphorylation and dephosphorylation of polyhydroxy compounds by class A bacterial acid phosphatases

Naoko Tanaka, Zulfiqar Hasan, Aloysius F. Hartog, Teunie van Herk and Ron Wever

A novel enzymatic method to phosphorylate glucose regioselectively to glucose 6-phosphate by bacterial acid phosphatase.

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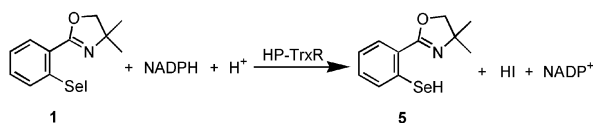


Direct production of ivermectin-like drugs after domain exchange in the avermectin polyketide synthase of *Streptomyces avermitilis* ATCC31272

S. Gaisser, L. Kellenberger, A. L. Kaja, A. J. Weston, R. E. Lill, G. Wirtz, S. G. Kendrew, L. Low, R. M. Sheridan, B. Wilkinson, I. S. Galloway, K. Stutzman-Engwall, H. A. I. McArthur, J. Staunton and P. F. Leadlay

Production of 22,23-dihydroavermectins B1a **9** and A1a **11** by direct fermentation of a recombinant strain of *Streptomyces avermitilis* ATCC31272 containing an appropriately-engineered polyketide synthase.

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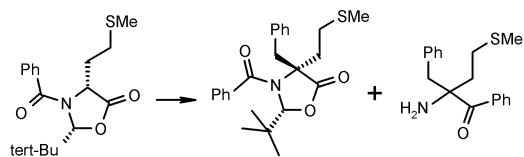


Selenenyl iodide: a new substrate for mammalian thioredoxin reductase

Govindasamy Mugesh, Lars-Oliver Klotz, Wolf-Walther du Mont, Katja Becker and Helmut Sies

Areneseleenyliodide stabilised by internal chelation has been synthesized and evaluated as a substrate of thioredoxin reductase (TrxR).

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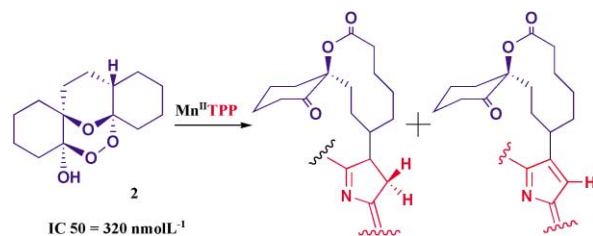


Synthesis of (*R*)- α -benzylmethionine: a novel rearrangement during alkylation of the Seebach (*R*)-methionine oxazolidinone

Panayiotis A. Procopiou, Mahmood Ahmed, Séverine Jeulin and Rossana Perciaccante

A novel amino ketone by-product was observed during alkylation of the oxazolidinone with $BnBr$.

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Alkylation of manganese(II) tetraphenylporphyrin by a synthetic antimalarial trioxane

Jean-François Berrien, Olivier Provot, Joëlle Mayrargue, Michel Coquillay, Liliane Cicéron, Frédéric Gay, Martin Danis, Anne Robert and Bernard Meunier

The alkylation of manganese(II) tetraphenylporphyrin ($Mn^{II}TPP$) by trioxane **2** is presented.

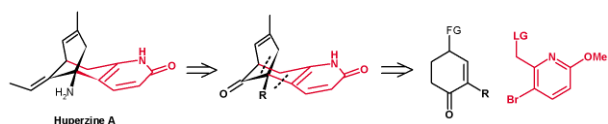


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A convergent approach to huperzine A and analogues

Seán A. Kelly, Yann Foricher, John Mann and Jonathan M. Bentley

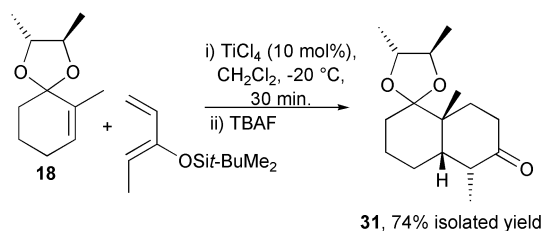
We describe a highly convergent synthesis of the basic tricyclic skeleton of huperzine A, a potent acetylcholinesterase inhibitor.



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Investigation of the asymmetric ionic Diels–Alder reaction for the synthesis of *cis*-decalins

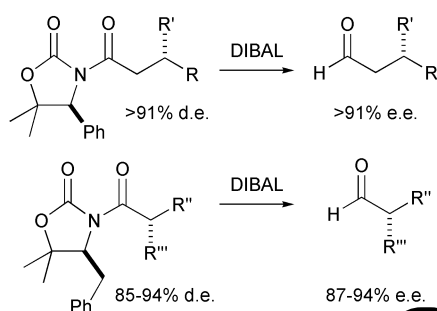
James C. Anderson, Alexander J. Blake, Jonathan P. Graham and Claire Wilson

The asymmetric ionic Diels–Alder reaction has been developed for the synthesis of certain synthetically useful *cis*-decalins.

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SuperQuat *N*-acyl-5,5-dimethyloxazolidin-2-ones for the asymmetric synthesis of α -alkyl and β -alkyl aldehydes

Steven D. Bull, Stephen G. Davies, Rebecca L. Nicholson, Hitesh J. Sanganee and Andrew D. Smith

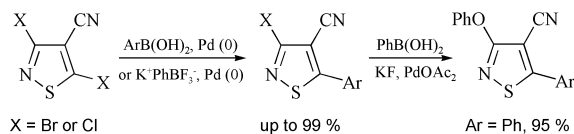
DIBAL reduction of an array of homochiral α - and β -substituted *N*-acyl-5,5-dimethyloxazolidinones generates directly the nonracemic aldehyde without loss of stereochemical integrity.

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Regiospecific Suzuki coupling of 3,5-dichloro-4-isothiazole-carbonitrile

Irene C. Christoforou, Panayiotis A. Koutentis and Charles W. Rees

The title compound reacts with aryl- and methylboronic acids regiospecifically to give 3-chloro-5-(aryl and methyl)-isothiazole-4-carbonitriles in high yields; the reaction was optimized with respect to base, phase transfer agent and palladium catalyst.

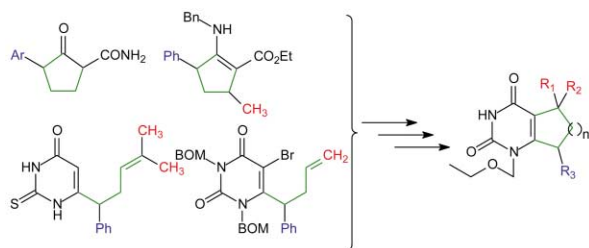


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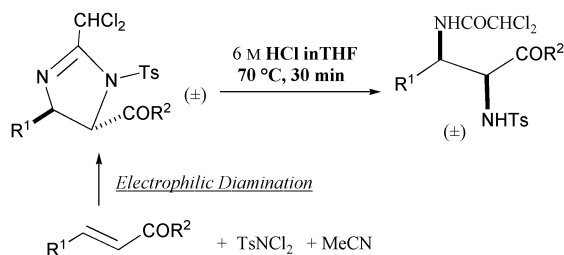
Multiple pathways in the synthesis of new annelated analogues of 6-benzyl-1-(ethoxymethyl)-5-isopropyluracil (emivirine)

Frans D. Therkelsen, Anne-Lene L. Hansen, Erik B. Pedersen and Claus Nielsen

Annelated emivirine analogues were prepared either by two component ring closures or by intramolecular acid or radical ring closures.



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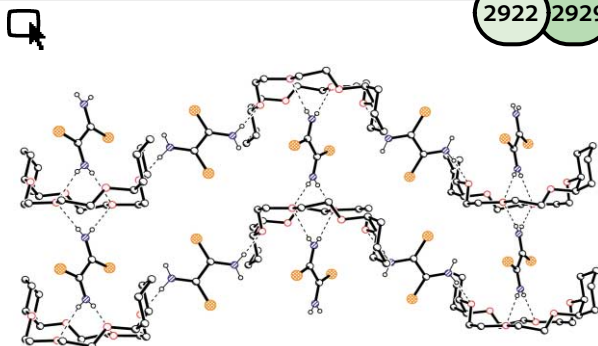


Novel imidazolination reaction of alkenes provides an easy access to new α,β -differentiated 1,2-vicinal diamines

Wei Pei, Cody Timmons, Xin Xu, Han-Xun Wei and Guigen Li

α,β -Diamino esters which are α and β -amino acid mimics were synthesized by hydrolyzing new imidazolines.

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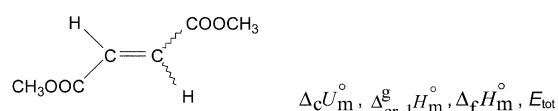


From 1D strands to extended molecular assemblies in the binary compounds of dithiooxamide and dithiobiurea with crown ethers

Yurii A. Simonov, Marina S. Fonari, Michael J. Zaworotko, Heba Abourahma, Janusz Lipkowski, Edward V. Ganin and Arkadii A. Yavolovskii

Binary compounds of dithiooxamide/dithiobiurea with crown ethers exhibit a diversity of structural types in the crystal.

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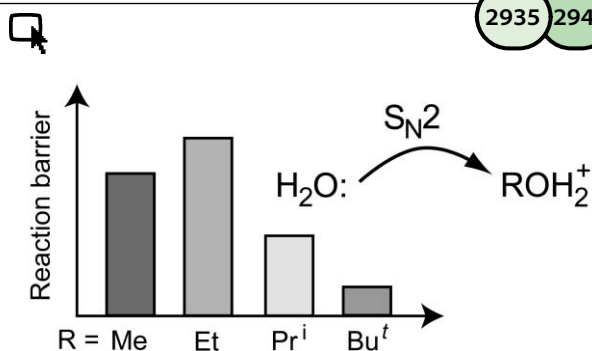


Thermochemistry of (*E*)- and (*Z*)-disubstituted alkene species: a combined experimental and theoretical investigation of isomeric dimethyl fumarate and dimethyl maleate

M. Agostinha R. Matos, Margarida S. Miranda, Victor M. F. Morais and Joel F. Liebman

Thermochemistry of isomeric dimethyl fumarate and dimethyl maleate: a combined experimental and theoretical investigation of enthalpies and energies.

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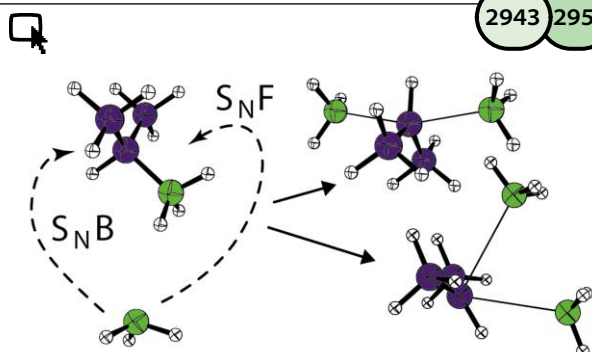


Nucleophilic identity substitution reactions. The reaction between water and protonated alcohols

Jon K. Laerdahl and Einar Uggerud

Competing front- and rear-side nucleophilic substitution and inverse relationship between S_N2 reaction barriers and "steric effects" investigated for the $H_2O + ROH_2^+$ ($R = Me, Et, Pr^i, Bu^t$) reaction.

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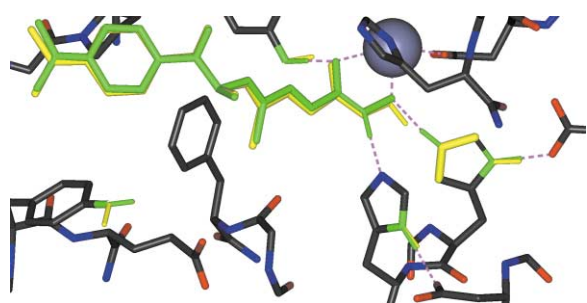


Nucleophilic identity substitution reactions. The reaction between ammonia and protonated amines

Jon K. Laerdahl, Lihn Bache-Andreassen and Einar Uggerud

Nucleophilic substitution and elimination reactions have been investigated for the $NH_3 + RNH_3^+$ ($R = Me, Et, Pr^i, Bu^t$) systems. Reaction barrier trends have been compared with similar systems and analyzed in terms of bond strengths and charge development on the leaving group and reaction centre.

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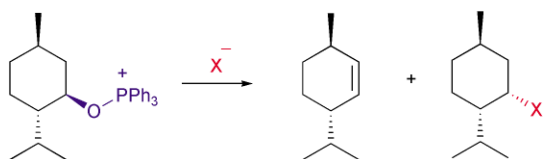
Ab initio study of the binding of Trichostatin A (TSA) in the active site of Histone Deacetylase Like Protein (HDLP)

Kenno Vanommeslaeghe, Christian Van Alsenoy, Frank De Proft, José C. Martins, Dirk Tourwé and Paul Geerlings

Theoretical study of the binding of TSA and water to HDLP, providing insight into the mechanism of action.



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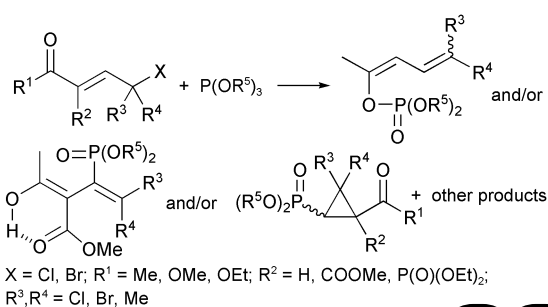


The Hendrickson reagent and the Mitsunobu reaction: a mechanistic study

Kathryn E. Elson, Ian D. Jenkins and Wendy A. Loughlin

The same alkoxytriphenylphosphonium ion intermediate is generated from menthol using either the Hendrickson reagent or the Mitsunobu reaction, but one reaction leads mainly to elimination, the other to substitution. Why?

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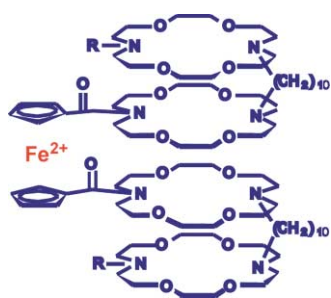


Mechanistic and synthetic aspects of the reaction of γ -halogeno- α,β -unsaturated ketones and esters with simple trialkyl phosphites

Wiesław Waszkuć and Tomasz Janecki

The main products of the title reaction were characterized and a plausible mechanism for their formation was proposed.

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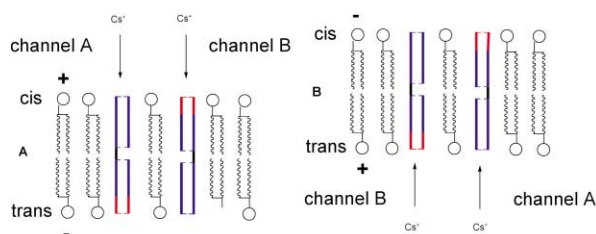
Cation transport by a redox-active synthetic ion channel

Adam C. Hall, Cristina Suarez, Anindita Hom-Choudhury, Aida N. A. Manu, C. Dennis Hall, Gregory J. Kirkovits and Ion Ghiriviga

Synthesis, cation binding and sodium flux properties of a novel synthetic ion channel containing a redox-active centre.



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Synthesis and functional studies of THF-gramicidin hybrid ion channels

Andrea Vescovi, Andrea Knoll and Ulrich Koert

Replacement of positions 10 and 11 of gramicidin A by a D-THF amino acid gave rise to new and interesting channel properties. Most remarkable is the asymmetric compound **8**, which inserts selectively into a DPhPC membrane and displays voltage-directed gating dynamics.

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