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PERSPECTIVE

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Recent advances in the stereoselective synthesis of carbohydrate 2-*C*-analogs

Jian Yin and Torsten Linker*

A perspective summarizing recent syntheses of carbohydrate 2-*C*analogs **1** by ring-opening of cyclopropanated sugars **3** and radical additions to glycals **2** is given.



COMMUNICATIONS

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Intramolecular iron(II)-catalyzed aminobromination of allyl *N*-tosyloxycarbamates

Takuma Kamon, Daisuke Shigeoka, Tetsuaki Tanaka and Takehiko Yoshimitsu*

Allyl *N*-tosyloxycarbamates are found to be catalytically transformed into β -brominated oxazolidinones with FeBr₂/ *n*-Bu₄NBr in *t*-BuOH.



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"Sulfolefin": Highly modular mixed S/Olefin ligands for enantioselective Rh-catalyzed 1,4-addition

Noureddine Khiar,* Álvaro Salvador, Ahmed Chelouan, Ana Alcudia and Inmaculada Fernández*

Sulfolefins I obtained in one step from DAG-sulfinate esters are excellent catalysts for the Rh-catalyzed 1,4-addition of boronic acids to cyclic and acyclic olefins.



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Diversity-oriented derivatization of BODIPY based on regioselective bromination

Xin Li, Shufang Huang and Yongzhou Hu*

Diversely substituted BODIPYs were achieved with a one-pot procedure.



$$\mathsf{R}_3 = = \checkmark ; = \mathsf{C}_4 \mathsf{H}_8$$

$$R_1 = Br \text{ or } R_3$$

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Direct O-glycosidation of resin bound thioglycosides

Son Hong Nguyen, Adam H. Trotta, John Cao, Timothy J. Straub and Clay S. Bennett*

Glycoconjugate synthesis by the transfer of resin-immobilized carbohydrates to <2 equivalents of complex aglycones is described.



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Intramolecular chiral communication in peptide–dendron hybrids

Hui Shao, Nicholas A. Bewick and Jon R. Parquette*

Intramolecular chirality transfer, amplification and solventmediated switching was observed in a series of random-coil peptide-dendron hybrids.



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A highly selective and sensitive *in vivo* fluorosensor for zinc(II) without cytotoxicity

Tarun Mistri, Malay Dolai, Debrup Chakraborty, Anisur Rahman Khuda-Bukhsh, Kalyan Kumar Das and Mahammad Ali*

A highly selective and sensitive fluorescent Zn^{u} -sensor (1) features visible excitation and emission profiles with $K_d < 1 \text{ pM}^2$, LOD $< 1 \text{ ng L}^{-1}$ and 680 fold fluorescent enhancement along with intracellular Zn^{2+} sensing without noticeable cytotoxicity.

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Intramolecular proton transfer impact on antibacterial properties of ansamycin antibiotic rifampicin and its new amino analogues

Krystian Pyta, Piotr Przybylski,* Barbara Wicher, Maria Gdaniec and Joanna Stefańska

NMR and X-ray studies have provided evidence for the intramolecular proton transfer in rifampicin (1) and its amino analogues **2–9**. Biological tests of **1–9** in combination with the analysis of ligand–RNA polymerase interactions have revealed the relationship between the protonation site and extremely high antibacterial activity.

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Efficient syntheses of 2,3-disubstituted natural quinazolinones *via* iridium catalysis

Jie Fang and Jianguang Zhou*

Syntheses of natural quinazolinones *via* Ir-catalysis were described, in which both intermolecular and intramolecular reactions were successfully employed.







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Furanyl cyclic amines: a diastereoselective synthesis of 2,6-*syn*-disubstituted piperidines under thermodynamic control

Matthew O'Brien,* Andrew Leach, Roly J. Armstrong, Keting Chong and Ross Sheridan

A highly diastereoselective synthesis of 2,6-disubstituted piperidines utilises an electron rich furan group to facilitate acid catalysed epimerisation.



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 R^1

2413

 R^2

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R

NCS

Ac₂C



N₂F

H₂Ċ

co

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-O-CH

Deg

Aib

NAc

R2

R1 = aryl, heteroaryl, alkenyl, alkyl

CH2-CO-

-O-(pNO₂)Bzl

PyrAc

-NO

R² = alkyl

Room temperature syntheses of entirely diverse substituted β-fluorofurans

Yan Li, Kraig A. Wheeler and Roman Dembinski*

Synthetic methods for the preparation of 3-fluorofurans, 3-bromo-4-fluorofurans, and 3-fluoro-4-iodofurans are elaborated.

One-pot synthesis of 1-alkyl-1*H*-indazoles from 1,1-dialkylhydrazones *via* aryne annulation

Nataliya A. Markina, Anton V. Dubrovskiy and Richard C. Larock

The reaction of readily accessible 1,1-dialkylhydrazones with commercially available *o*-(trimethylsilyl)aryl triflates provides a direct one-step route to pharmaceutically important 1-alkylindazoles.

Novel peptide foldameric motifs: a step forward in our understanding of the fully-extended conformation/ 3₁₀-helix coexistence

Fernando Formaggio,* Marco Crisma, Gema Ballano, Cristina Peggion, Mariano Venanzi and Claudio Toniolo*

Fluorescent PyrAc-(Deg)_{*n*}-O-(*p*NO₂)Bzl peptides exist as mixtures of fully-extended (right) and 3₁₀-helical conformers, the latter typical of (Aib)_{*n*} oligomers.



Mechanism and optimisation of the homoboroproline bifunctional catalytic asymmetric aldol reaction: Lewis acid tuning through *in situ* esterification

Irene Georgiou and Andrew Whiting*

The novel enamine-Lewis acid based chiral catalyst homoboroproline undergoes *in situ* esterification of the boronic acid to provide a highly effective asymmetric aldol catalyst.

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Synthesis of donor-acceptor chromophores by the [2 + 2] cycloaddition of arylethynyl-2*H*-cyclohepta[*b*] furan-2-ones with 7,7,8,8-tetracyanoquinodimethane

Taku Shoji,* Junya Higashi, Shunji Ito, Tetsuo Okujima, Masafumi Yasunami and Noboru Morita

A series of 2H-cyclohepta[b]furan-2-one-substituted dicyanoquinodimethanes (DCNQs) were synthesized by the formal [2 + 2] cycloaddition–cycloreversion sequence of the corresponding acetylene derivatives with TCNQ.

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Syntheses, optical and intramolecular magnetic properties of mono- and di-radicals based on nitronylnitroxide and oxoverdazyl groups appended to 2,6-bispyrazolylpyridine cores

Pramiti Hui, Khaja Md. Arif and Rajadurai Chandrasekar*

This paper presents the synthesis of a series of nitronyl-nitroxide (NN), oxoverdazyl (OVZ) based mono-, and bi-radicals attached to 4-phenyl-2,6-bispyrazolylpyridine coupling units, their optical, and electron spin resonance (ESR) spectroscopy studies.

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Probing the stability of multicomponent self-assembled architectures based on cucurbit[8]uril in the gas phase

Monika Cziferszky, Frank Biedermann, Markus Kalberer and Oren A. Scherman*

An investigation of supramolecular stoichiometrically-controlled assemblies with CB[8] in water and their gas phase stabilities as measured by HCD fragmentation.

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Studies on the conformational flexibility of α -Lrhamnose-containing oligosaccharides using ¹³C-sitespecific labeling, NMR spectroscopy and molecular simulations: implications for the three-dimensional structure of bacterial rhamnan polysaccharides

K. Hanna M. Jonsson, Elin Säwén and Göran Widmalm*

Conformational preferences and dynamics of constituent disaccharides are possible to translate to a description of polysaccharide three-dimensional structure.









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55-92%

Where R = Me, Et, Ph; R' = alkyl, aryl



(+)-syn-Benzotriborneol an enantiopure C_3 -symmetric receptor for water

Fabrizio Fabris,* Ottorino De Lucchi, Ilaria Nardini, Marco Crisma, Andrea Mazzanti, Sax A. Mason, Marie-Hélène Lemée-Cailleau, Francesca A. Scaramuzzo and Cristiano Zonta*

The enantiopure C_3 -symmetric triol forms stable complexes with water. This is due to the ability of the host to form three hydrogen bonds with water, to act simultaneously as a hydrogen-bond acceptor and donor, and to a geometrical match between the pair.

Synthesis of 2,3,5,6-tetrasubstituted tetrahydropyrans *via* (3,5)-oxonium-ene reaction

Pipas Saha, Anup Bhunia and Anil K. Saikia*

2,3,5,6-Tetrasubstituted tetrahydropyrans can be efficiently synthesized from the reaction of aldehydes and ethyl 2-(1-hydroxyalkyl/hydroxy(phenyl)methyl)-5-methylhex-4-enoate *via* (3,5)-oxonium-ene reaction in good yields under mild conditions.

Deracemization of unnatural amino acid: homoalanine using p-amino acid oxidase and ω-transaminase

Young-Man Seo, Sam Mathew, Han-Seop Bea, Yong-Ho Khang, Sang-Hyeup Lee, Byung-Gee Kim and Hyungdon Yun*

A deracemization method was developed to generate optically pure L-homoalanine from racemic homoalanine using D-amino acid oxidase and ω -transaminase.