

GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

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Optical Activity of cis-Oxamide and -Dithiooxamide Chromophores
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Synthesis, absorption and CD spectra

1, X = O; 2, X = S

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AMINE ASSISTED ENZYMIC ESTERIFICATION OF 1,2-DIOL MONOTOSYLATES
 Neil W. Boaz* and Rebecca L. Zimmerman
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high ee's

The presence of triethylamine avoids reaction stalling (due to enzyme inactivation by acidic contaminants) and affords enhanced enantioselectivities.

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ASYMMETRIC DIELS-ALDER REACTION OF A CHIRAL AZLACTONE
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Diastereoselective Synthesis of γ -Hydroxy- β -amino Alcohols, (2S, 3S)- and (2S, 3R)-Threoninol and -Hydroxyphenylalaninol, from (R)-Glycidol via the Derived 4-Hydroxymethyloxazolidinone
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R = Me, Ph

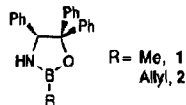
Syntheses of enantiomerically pure (2S,3S)- and (2S,3R)-threoninol and -hydroxyphenylalaninol was demonstrated starting from (R)-glycidol via (S)-4-methoxycarbonyl-2-oxazolidinone.

**ENANTIOSELECTIVE REDUCTION OF KETONES
CATALYSED BY 1,3,2-OXAZABOROLIDINES
PREPARED FROM PHENYLGLYCINE**

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Oxazaborolidines 1 and 2 have been synthesised and used in the borane-mediated reduction of prochiral ketones to afford secondary alcohols in excellent chemical yields and with moderate-to-high (61 to 96%) enantiomeric excesses.

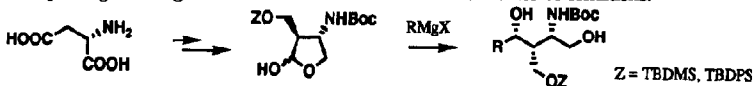


**Diastereoselective Reactions of Grignard Reagents with
Chiral Amino Lactols Derived from L-Aspartic Acid.**

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Highly diastereofacial selection to chiral amino lactols elaborated from L-aspartic acid was conducted with simple Grignard reagents under 6- or 7-membered chelation structure conditions.

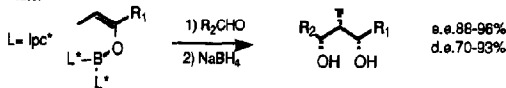


**Boron Mediated One-Pot Aldol-reduction Sequence: Enantio
and Diastereoselective Synthesis of Typical Polyketide Fragments**

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An aldol-reduction one-pot sequence allows *syn-syn* polyketide fragments to be obtained enantio and diastereoselectively by the use of enol diisopinocampheylborinate.

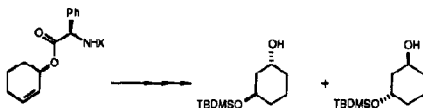


**Diastereospecific Hydroxyseleation of Cyclohex-2-enyl
Phenylglycinates**

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The diastereospecific hydroxyseleation of cyclohexenyl esters of phenyl glycine allows facile and efficient preparation of monosilylated cyclohexane-1,3-diol

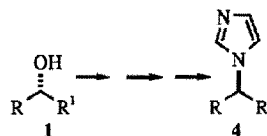


**Stereospecific Synthesis of 1-Alkylimidazole Derivatives
via Mitsunobu Reactions**

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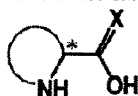
Mitsunobu reaction between 4,5-dicyanoimidazole and racemic or enantiopure alcohols **1**, followed by hydrolysis-decarboxylation, gave 1-alkylimidazoles **4** in good overall yield and high enantiomeric excess.



**Enantioselective Catalytic Reduction of Acetophenone with
Borane in the Presence of Cyclic α -Amino Acids and their Corresponding β -Amino Alcohols**

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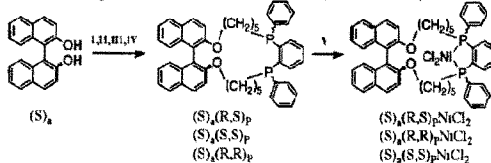
1 (X = O) **2** (X = H₂)

Optically active cyclic α -amino acids **1** (R = O) and β -amino alcohols **2** (R = H₂) catalyze the enantioselective borane reduction of acetophenone to chiral 1-phenyl-1-ethanol in up to 51% *ee*.

**Relative and Absolute Configurations of Diastereomeric Macrocyclic Diphosphine
Ligands and their Ni(II) Complexes.**

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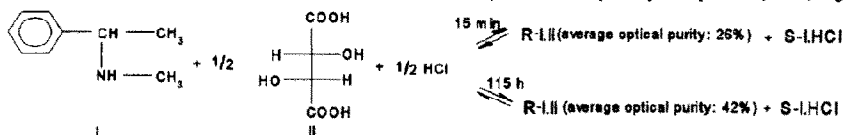
- i: Br(CH₂)₆CO₂C₂H₅, tert BuOK, THF reflux, 71%
- ii: LiAlH₄, Et₂O, 79%
- iii: 4 equiv TsCl, Py, 0°C, 24h, 51%
- iv: *o*-phenylenebis(phenylphosphine), n-BuLi, THF reflux, high dilution, total yield 56% (m d)
- v: NiCl₂

Absolute and relative chiralities have been estimated on the basis of NMR and CD measurements and optical comparison. The assignment has been confirmed by an X-ray structure determination

**STUDY OF THE MECHANISM OF THE OPTICAL RESOLUTION OF N-METHYLAMPHETAMINE
VIA DIASTEREOMERIC SALT FORMATION BY THE POPE-PEACHEY METHOD**

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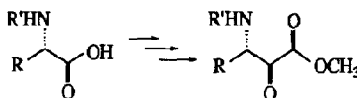
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FIRST SYNTHESIS OF ENANTIOMERICALLY PURE N-PROTECTED β -AMINO- α -KETO ESTERS FROM α -AMINO ACIDS AND DIPEPTIDES

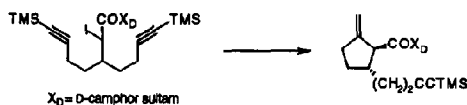
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A racemization-free route from N-protected α -amino acids and dipeptides to N-protected β -amino- α -keto esters is described.

**Group Selective Radical Cyclizations with Oppolzer's Camphor Sultam**

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Summary: Acyl derivatives of Oppolzer's camphor sultam provide moderate levels of group selectivity (~85/15) in representative radical cyclizations of dienes and dienes.

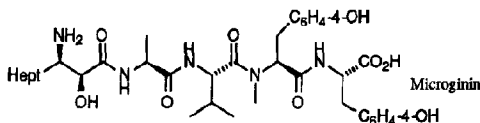
**Asymmetric Synthesis of (2*S*,3*R*)-3-Amino-2-Hydroxydecanolic Acid: The Unknown Amino Acid Component of Microginin**

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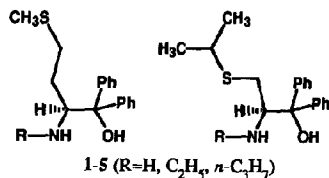
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Asymmetric synthesis of the *N*-terminal component of microginin allows the structural and stereochemical assignment of this novel ACE inhibitor to be completed.

**New Thioether Derivatives as Catalysts for the Enantioselective Addition of Diethylzinc to Benzaldehyde**

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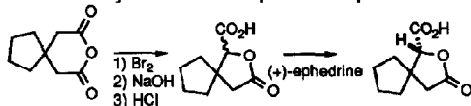
Different sulfur-containing β -amino alcohols 1-5 have been synthesized from L-methionine and L-cysteine. The application as catalysts in the enantioselective addition of diethylzinc to benzaldehyde afforded chiral 1-phenyl-1-propanol in up to 94% *op* under mild reaction conditions.

Synthesis of *R*- and *S*-Oxo-2-oxaspiro[4.4]-nonane-1-carboxylic acid.

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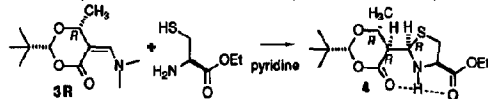
An efficient synthesis and temperature dependent resolution of the title acids are described.



Synthesis and Stereochemistry of Some Thiazolidines Related to 6-(Hydroxyethyl)-Penams.

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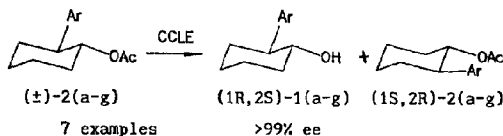
L-Cysteine and D-penicillamine esters reacted with (1*R*,1*R*)- or (1*S*,1*S*)-2-*t*-butyl-5-dimethylamino-methylene-6-methyl-[1,3]dioxan-4-one **3** to provide thiazolidines with high stereospecificity.

Enzymatic Resolution of *trans*-2-Arylcyclohexan-1-ols using Crude Chicken Liver Esterase (CCLE) as Biocatalyst

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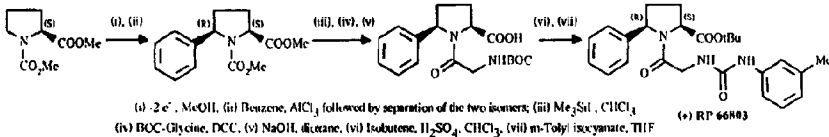
Enantioselective hydrolysis of (*±*)-*trans*-1-acetoxy-2-arylcyclohexanes.



Enantiospecific Synthesis and Absolute Configuration of (+)-RP 66803 a New Non-Peptide CCK Antagonist

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A novel generation of optically active 1,2-diols from the racemates by using halohydrin dehydro-dehalogenase

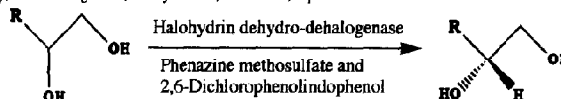
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Enzymatic resolution of racemic halogenated and non-halogenated 1,2-diols by a novel type of dehalogenase

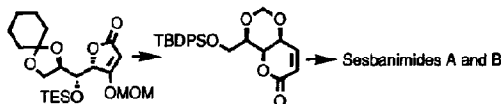


STEREOCONTROLLED SYNTHESIS OF THE B-RING MOIETY OF SESBANIMIDE ALKALOIDS: FORMAL CHIRAL SYNTHESIS OF SESBANIMIDES A AND B

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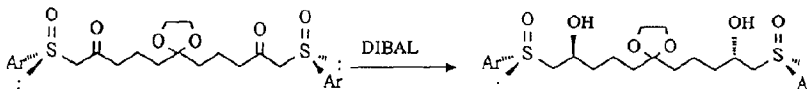
Formal chiral synthesis of sesbanimides A and B has been achieved starting from (*R*)-glyceraldehyde.

Asymmetric Synthesis of chiral Spiroacetals from Chiral Diketodisulfoxides: 2,8-dimethyl-1,7-dioxaspiro [5.5] undecane.

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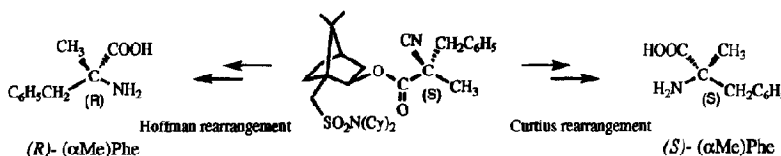


NEW APPROACHES TO THE ASYMMETRIC SYNTHESIS OF α -METHYLPHENYLALANINE

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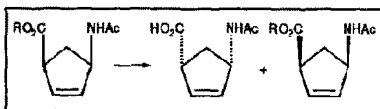
BIOCATALYTICAL TRANSFORMATIONS. IV. ENANTIOSELECTIVE ENZYMIC HYDROLYSES OF BUILDING BLOCKS FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF CARBOCYCLIC NUCLEOSIDES

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Enantiomerically pure alkyl (1*S*, 4*R*)- and (1*R*, 4*S*)-4-acetamido-cyclopent-2-ene-carboxylates are obtained from their corresponding racemates by hydrolysis with PLE or the lipase from *Candida cylindracea*



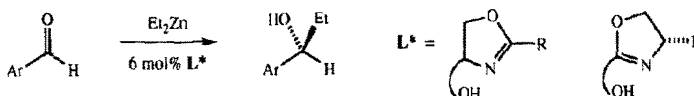
ENANTIOMERICALLY PURE OXAZOLINES TETHERED TO ALCOHOLS. PREPARATION AND USE IN ASYMMETRIC CATALYSIS

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The addition of diethylzinc to aromatic aldehydes is catalysed by hydroxy containing oxazolines with up to 67% ee

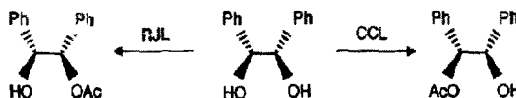


Desymmetrization of *meso*-Hydrobenzoin via Stereoselective Enzymatic Esterification

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Desymmetrization of *meso*-hydrobenzoin by transesterification using lipase from *Candida cylindracea* or *Rhizopus javanicus* as catalyst afforded both enantiomers of 1-acetoxy-2-hydroxy-1,2-diphenylethane.

Quantum Chemical Modeling of Chiral Catalysis. Part 15. On the Role of Hydride-Bridged Borane - Alkoxyborane Complexes in the Catalytic Enantioselective Reduction of Ketones Promoted by Chiral Oxazaborolidines

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Abstract: - Hydride-bridged borane - alkoxyborane complexes of oxazaborolidines were investigated by means of *ab initio* MO methods (RHF). The complexes were found to be stable in the absence of Lewis basic solvents. In the presence of a Lewis basic solvent the borane - alkoxyborane complexes were predicted to decompose leading to the formation of borane - solvent complexes of the oxazaborolidines.

