







#### 2-Deoxy-L-ribose from an L-arabinono-1,5-lactone



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### Enantioselective transesterification of a tertiary alcohol by lipase A from *Candida antarctica*

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For the first time, the tertiary alcohol 2-phenylbut-3-yn-2-ol could be resolved by transesterification using lipase A from *Candida antarctica* (CAL-A). Under optimized conditions, 94% ee for the produced acetate at a conversion of 35% and an enantioselectivity of E=65 were achieved.



#### Competitive H-bonding in bicyclic bis-lactams: self-assembly in nanotubes or in unbalanced chiral threefold interpenetrated diamondoid network

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# O-Protecting groups as long-range stereocontrolling elements in the addition of acetylides to 4-substituted quinolines

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The diastereoselective addition of acetylides to racemic 1 and optically active 2 quinolines in the presence of alkyl or aryl chloroformates to give 3,4 in good yield and moderate to good d.r. is reported. The diastereomeric ratio is influenced strongly by the *O*-protecting groups, which exert long range stereocontrol.



## Synthesis of enantiomerically pure $C_2$ -symmetric acyclic and cyclic 1,2-diamines via pinacol coupling of imines

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The inter- and intramolecular coupling of imines promoted by  $SmI_2$  and Lewis acids or by Zn/MsOH was studied. The intramolecular version allowed for an efficient, stereoselective synthesis of 1,2-diamines with  $C_2$  symmetry.



On the enantioselective hydrogenation of isomeric  $\beta$ -acylamido  $\beta$ -alkylacrylates with chiral Rh(I) complexes—comparison of phosphine ligands and substrates

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