GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

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TOPICITY OF VERTICES AND EDGES IN THE MÖBIUS LADDERS: A TOPOLOGICAL RESULT WITH CHEMICAL IMPLICATIONS

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Some interesting topological properties of the Möbius ladders with 2, 3 and 4 rungs are discussed in the context of possible chemical realizations of the graphs. Thus, when the rungs and other edges are identical, then for the Möbius ladders with two or three rungs,



(n=2, 3) the rungs and other edges are constitutionally equivalent, while for the ladder with four rungs (n=4), the rungs are heterotopic with the other edges. While impossible to prove using molecular models, this interesting result derives directly from inspection of all possible automorphisms of the graphs.

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SYNTHESIS OF HORMOTHAMNIONE

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The synthesis of Hormothamnione \underline{l} as well as of some analogs is described.

A NEW SYNTHESIS OF CARBOXYLIC ACID HYDRAZIDES <u>VIA</u> ORGANOALUMINUM REAGENTS

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Ethyl esters react under mild reaction conditions with dimethylaluminum hydrazides to give the corresponding carboxylic acid hydrazides in moderate to good yield.

$$\begin{array}{c} 0 \\ RCO_2Et + R_1R_2NNR_3Al(CH_3)_3 \longrightarrow R \stackrel{!!}{-C-NR_3NR_1R_1} \end{array}$$

SYNTHESIS OF A POSSIBLE KALLOLIDE A PRECURSOR VIA [2,3] WITTIG RING CONTRACTION OF A MACROCYCLIC FURAN DIETHER

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The macrocyclic furan diether 16 upon treatment with lithio 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidide underwent [2,3] Wittig ring contraction to the syn alcohol 17, a potential precursor of the pseudopterolide diterpene kallolide A (III).

H 17 OH 17 O

DETERMINING THE ABSOLUTE CONFIGURATION OF EXO-7
DERIVATIVES OF 5-METHYL-6,8-DIOXABICYCLO[3.2.1]OCTANE BY VCD

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VCD spectra in the region of $1100-1400 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ reveal common features which can be used as configurational markers for the absolute configuration of the bicyclic ketal and smaller rings containing the chiral unit $-C*H(CH_2R)X^-$, X = 0 and S.

THE PYRIDINE N-OXIDE GROUP. A POTENT RADICAL STABILIZING FUNCTION

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The rate of the thermal methylenecyclopropane rearrangement is greatly enhanced by the 4-pyridyl N-oxide group due to nitroxide radical character in the transition state.

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SYNTHESIS OF THE 5R,8R,9S,11R DEPHOSPHORYLATED DERIVATIVE OF CI-920, A NOVEL ANTITUMOR AGENT. George Just* and Brian O'Connor Department of Chemistry, McGill University, Montréal, Québec, Canada H3A 2K6

CONFORMATION OF SUCCINIC ACID DERIVATIVES BY DOUBLE $13_{C-LABELLING}$

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Rotamer populations in di^{-13} C-labelled succinic acid derivatives can be calculated from $^{3}J_{\text{CC}}$ data.

TRANSMETALLATION OF N-(TRIALKYLSTANNYL)METHYLIMINES. A NEW METHOD FOR THE GENERATION AND CYCLOADDITION OF 2-AZAALLYL ANIONS

Tetrahedron Lett. 29,761 (1988)

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Transmetallation of imines 1 at -78° provided 2-azaallyl anions, 2, which readily undergo cycloaddition with olefinic anionophiles, providing pyrrolidines. Unstabilized anions may be generated for the first time.

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ELECTROCATALYTIC OXIDATION OF OLEFINES AND KETONES BASED ON A ${\rm Ru}^{{\rm IV}}{}_{=0}/{\rm Ru}^{{\rm II}}{}_{-}{\rm H}_{\rm 2}{\rm O}$ System.

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Oxidation of cyclohexene, safrole,isosafrole, isophorone, deoxybenxoin and acetophenone is described. In the simplified scheme, S is an organic substrate which undergoes a net 2e oxidation.

$$Ru^{\text{IV}}(\text{trpy})(\underline{\text{bpy}})0^{2^{+}} + S + \underline{\text{H}}_{2}0 \longrightarrow Ru^{\text{II}}(\text{trpy})(\underline{\text{bpy}})(\underline{\text{H}}_{2}0)^{2^{+}} + S = 0$$

OXIDATIVE BISDECARBOXYLATION OF α -ALKOXYMALONIC ACIDS WITH CERIUM(IV)

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Robert G. Salomon*, Subhas Roy, and Mary F. Salomon

Ceric ammonium nitrate (CAN) is an excellent reagent for preparing carboxylic esters 2 from α -alkoxymalonic acids 1 by oxidative bisdecarboxylation.

$$\begin{array}{c}
\downarrow^{\text{COOH}} \\
\downarrow^{\text{COOH}} \\
\downarrow^{\text{O}}
\end{array}$$

ORTHO LITHIATION OF 2-, 3-, AND 4-METHOXYPYRIDINL

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The ortho lithiation of 2-, 3-, and 4-methoxypyridine was effected using mesityllithium as the metalating base.

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LITHIATION OF 6-DIMETHYLAMINO-1-AZAFULVENE DIMER.
SYNTHESIS OF 5-SUBSTITUTED PYRROLE-2-CARBOXALDEHYDES.
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Metalation of the dimer $\underline{1}$, with t-butyllithium, gave $\underline{2}$, which after reaction with diverse electrophilic reagents, gave 5-substituted pyrrole-2-carboxaldehydes $\underline{5}$.

A CONCEPTUALLY NEW ROUTE TO OPTICALLY ACTIVE CARBA-PROSTACYCLINS: SYNTHESIS OF EXOCYCLIC ALKENES VIA DOUBLY LITHIATED ALLYL SULFONES

Tetrahedron Lett. 29,781 (1988)

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1,3-DIPOLARE CYCLOADDITIONEN VON 1-CHLOR-2-PHENYL-2-TRIMETHYLSILVL-2-PHOSPHAETHEN MIT AZIDEN, NITRILIMINEN, NITRILOKIDEN UND NITRILVLIDEN

2-PHOSPHAETHEN MIT AZIDEN, NITRILIMINEN, NITRILOXIDEN UND NITRILYLIDEN

G. Märkl , I. Troetsch-Schaller, W. Hölzl Institut für Organische Chemie der Universität Regensburg, Universitätsstraße 31, D-8400 Regensburg, BRD Regular and irregular 1.3-dipolar cycloaddition reactions of the title Compounds are reported.

FIRST TOTAL SYNTHESES OF (+)-7-DEOXYNOGAROL AND (+)-7-CON-0-METHYLNOGAROL

Tetrahedron Lett.29,791(1988)

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Tetrahedron Lett.29,795(1988)

TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF PEPTIDE ANTIBIOTIC NISIN

K.Fukase, M.Kitazawa, A.Sano, K.Shimbo, H.Fujita, S.Horimoto, T.Wakamiya, and T.Shiba. Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Osaka University, Toyonaka, Osaka 560, Japan. Total synthesis of nisin was successfully carried out for the first time.

Tetrahedron Lett. 29,799 (1988)

SYNTHESIS OF A575C, A COMBINED ANGIOTENSIN CONVERTING

ENZYME INHIBITOR - BETA ADRENOCEPTOR ANTAGONIST.

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A convergent synthesis of the novel dual-active antihypertensive agent A575C is described.

Tetrahedron Lett.29,803(1988)

SYNTHESIS OF A POTENT ANTITHROMBIN ACTIVATING PENTASACCHARIDE: A NEW

HEPARIN-LIKE FRAGMENT CONTAINING TWO 3-O-SULPHATED GLUCOSAMINES

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Organon Int. B.V., P.O. Box 20, 5340 BH Oss, The Netherlands

A potent pentasaccharide correspon-

Tetrahedron Lett.29,807(1988)

THE IMPLICATION OF PHENYLACETALDEHYDES IN THE BIOSYNTHESIS OF THE PHENANTHROINDOLIZIDINE ALKALOID, TYLOPHORINE.

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Tetrahedron Lett.29,811(1988)

THERMOLYSIS OF BENZHYDRAZONES'IN THE PRESENCE OF COPPER

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Organic Chemistry Laboratories, Bristol Polytechnic, Frenchay, Bristol BS16 1QY Benzhydrazone derivatives of aromatic aldehydes undergo thermolysis in the presence of copper

Tetrahedron Lett.29,813(1988)

Rhodium Catalysed [2+2+2] Cycloadditions. An Efficient Regiospecific Route to Calomelano (actions S.J. Neeson and P.J. Stevenson*, Department of Chemistry

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A NEW ENANTIO AND DIASTEREOSELECTIVE SYNTHESIS OF 2-AZETIDINONES AS USEFUL INTERMEDIATES OF B-LACTAM ANTIBIOTICS. Tetrahedron Lett. 29,815(1988)

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An enantio and diastereoselective route to B-lactam antibiotics is described: two novel key radical reactions from the common synthon i, allowed to obtain 2 and 3, useful intermediates in the synthesis of thienamycin and PS-5.

A FACILE CHEMO AND REGIOSELECTIVE OPENING OF 1.2-EPOXIDES VIA FREE RADICAL REACTION

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A novel radical reductive opening of reported to yield 1,2-epoxides is mainly the secondary alcohols with good regio and chemoselectivity. The reaction is easily carried out in DME six examples with NaI,n-Bu3SnH and AIBN at 80°C for 1-6 h.

$$\nearrow$$
R \rightarrow \nearrow R

regioselectivity: from 6: 1 to 99: 1

Tetrahedron Lett.29,823(1988)

HETEROPOLYANIONS AS OXIDATION CATALYSTS IN A 2-PHASE SYSTEM

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Tetrahedron Lett.29,827(1988)

THE EFFECT OF NITROGEN DONORS ON THE REACTIVITY OF COPPER(I) PHENOXIDES: SYNTHESIS OF THIONCARBONATES

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Complexes 1 and 2 are easily synthesised and differ markedly from CuOPh in their reactivity. They provide an easy route to the synthesis of thioncarbonates.

[(NEt_x)₂Cu(µOPh)]₂

 $[(NEt_3)_2Cu(\mu CI)(\mu OPh)Cu(NEt_3)_2]$

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REACTIVITY OF PHENYL (TOLYLSULFONYL) ACETYLENE TOWARDS DIENES AND

HOMO-DIENES: CYCLOADDITIONS <u>VERSUS</u> FRAGMENTATION-ADDITION REACTIONS

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Depending upon the diene, phenyl(toly)sulfonyl)acetylene affords the (4+2), the (2+2)-cycloadducts or products derived by 1.4-addition of the two fragments from homolytic cleavage of the carbon-sulfur bond.

R=Ph. R'=To!

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MIGRATION AND STABILITY OF THE SILYL GROUP IN THE USE OF PHENYLTHIOMETHYLTRIMETHYLSILANE AS A FORMYL SYNTHON

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CYCLISATION OF ALLYLOXY RADICALS

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The cyclic ethers (1) (2) and (3) have been formed by cyclisation of allyloxy radicals (4).

	
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