

The Asymmetric Syntheses of the C-1 Sidechains	Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 8403
of Zaragozic Acid A and Zaragozic Acid C Albert J. Robichaud* <sup>†</sup> Gregory D. Berger <sup>†</sup> and David A. Evans <sup>‡</sup> <sup>†</sup> Merck Research Laboratories, Rahway, N.J. 07065 <sup>‡</sup> Department of Chemistry, Harvard University, Cambridge, Mass. 02138	
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The syntheses of the C-1 sidechain derivatives, 12 and 7, of zaragozic acid A and zaragozic acid C were performed. The two separate routes, utilizing chiral oxazolidinone aldol chemistry, and assignment of the sidechain fragments is discussed.	
AN IMPROVED SYNTHESIS OF 2,3- AND 3,4- UNSATURATED PYRANOSIDES: THE USE OF MICROWAVE ENERGY. Lúcia H.B. Baptistella*, Alana Z. Neto,	Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 8407
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An improved, rapid preparation of unsaturated carbohydrates using microwave-induced Tipson-Cohen reaction has been developed.	
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3'-Substituted Pyrimidines via Alkylation-opening of 2,3'-Cyclothymidine Ashis K. Saha*, Wayne Schairer, Donald A. Upson Department of Medicinal Chemistr Sterling Winthern Pharmaceuricals Research Division 25 Creat Valley Parkway. Malw	<i>Tetrahedron Lett.</i> <b>1993</b> , <i>34</i> , 8411
A general strategy for synthesis of 3'- substituted thymidine derivatives is described, consisting of activation via N-3 alkylation of 2,3'-cyclothymidine followed by nucleophilic opening at 3'- position. Examples include demonstration of carbon bond formation at the 3'-position.	
SOLVENT EFFECTS ON THE SINGLET-TRIPLET EQUILIBRIUM AND REACTIVITY OF A GROUND TRIPLET STATE ARYLALKYL CARBENE. M. A. García-Garibay,* Craig Theroff, Steve H. Shin and Jesper Jernelius, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of California, Los Angeles, CA 90024 USA	
By stabilizing the singlet state, solvent polarity exerts a remarkable effect on the chemistry of triplet ground state carbenes.	
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## SYNTHESIS OF $\alpha$ -HYDROXY KETOMETHYLENE DIPEPTIDE

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Novel  $\alpha$ -hydroxy ketomethylene dipeptide isosteres (e.g. A, B) were prepared efficiently.













