

## GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

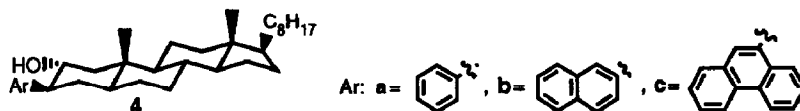
### Novel Steroidal Chiral Auxiliaries: Enantioselective Synthesis of Chiral $\alpha$ -Hydroxy Acids

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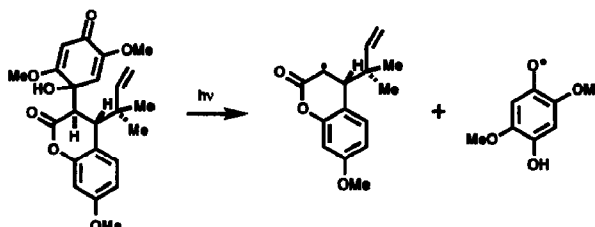
The synthesis is reported of three novel steroidal chiral auxiliaries (4) which were used to generate an  $\alpha$ -hydroxy acid in high optical purity (90-98% ee).



### PREFERENCE FOR PHOTODISSOCIATION OVER INTERNAL [2 + 2]-CYCLOADDITION DURING IRRADIATION OF AN UNSATURATED $\alpha,\beta$ -ENONE

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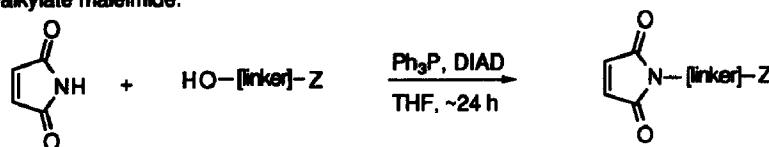


### The Mitsunobu Reaction: A Novel Method for the Synthesis of Bifunctional Maleimide Linkers

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5 Research Parkway, Wallingford, CT 06492

The synthesis of maleimido bifunctional linkers was accomplished using the Mitsunobu reaction to N-alkylate maleimide.

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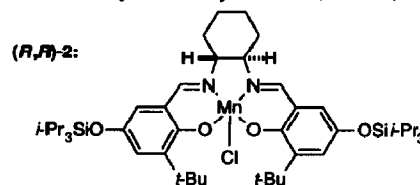
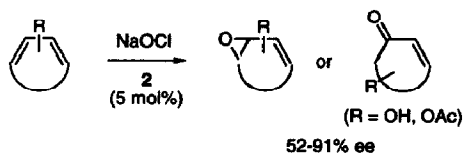


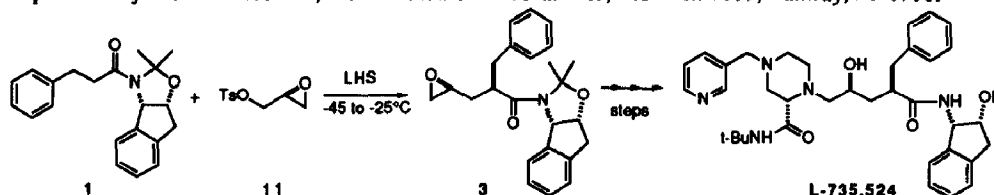
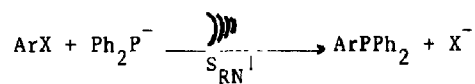
### ENANTIOSELECTIVE EPOXIDATION OF CYCLIC 1,3-DIENES CATALYZED BY A STERICALLY AND ELECTRONICALLY OPTIMIZED (SALEN)Mn COMPLEX.

Sukbok Chang,<sup>a</sup> Richard M. Heid,<sup>b</sup> and Eric N. Jacobsen<sup>a,\*</sup>

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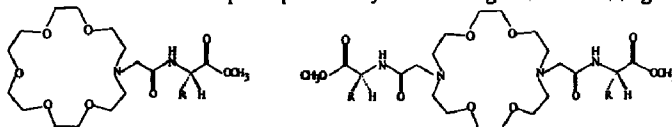
**Highly Diastereoselective Reaction of a Chiral, Non-Racemic Amide Enolate with (S)-Glycidyl Tosylate. Synthesis of the Orally Active****HIV-1 Protease Inhibitor L-735,524** D. Askin\*, K. Eng\*, K. Rossen\*, R. Purick, K. Wells, R. Volante and P. Reider  
Department of Process Research, Merck Research Laboratories, P.O. Box 2000, Rahway, NJ 07065**Sonochemistry in SRN1 Reactions in Liquid Ammonia at Room Temperature**Pablo G. Manzo, Sara M. Palacios and Rubén A. Alonso\*  
CEQUIMAP, Fac. de Ciencias Químicas, Universidad Nacional de Córdoba.  
Suc. 16, C.C. 61, 5016 Córdoba, Argentina.Ultrasound was used for the stimulation of  $S_{RN}1$  reaction in liquid Ammonia at room temperature

X = p-Iodoanisole, l-halonaphthalene (Cl, Br, I)

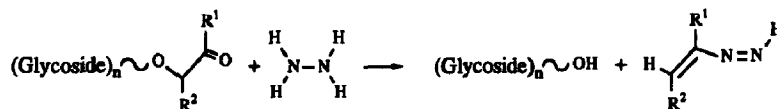
**EQUILIBRIUM CATION BINDING CONSTANTS OF THE DIPEPTIDE DERIVED LARIAT ETHERS IN METHANOL DETERMINED FROM CIRCULAR DICHROISM MEASUREMENTS.**

Danlin Gu, Birdella D. Kenney, Banita White Brown\*, Department of Chemistry, University of North Carolina at Charlotte, Charlotte, NC 28223 USA

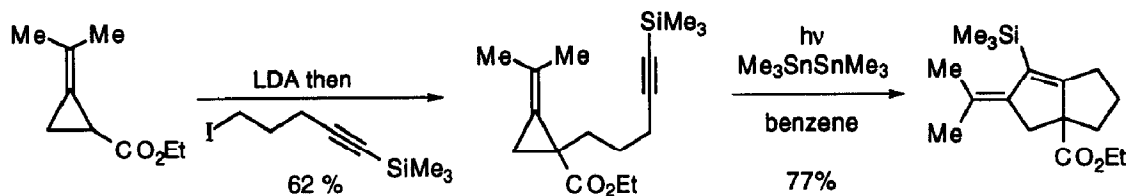
A new application of circular dichroism spectropolarimetry indicates high calcium binding for the ligands shown.

**SEQUENTIAL REMOVAL OF MONOSACCHARIDES FROM THE REDUCING END OF OLIGOSACCHARIDES. I. A REACTION BETWEEN HYDRAZINE****AND SUGARS HAVING A GLYCOSIDIC SUBSTITUENT ON A CARBON ATOM ADJACENT TO THE CARBONYL GROUP**  
Brad Bendiak\*, Mary Ellen Salyan and Mario Pantoja, The Biomembrane Institute and University of Washington, 201 Elliott Ave. West, Seattle, WA 98119 USA

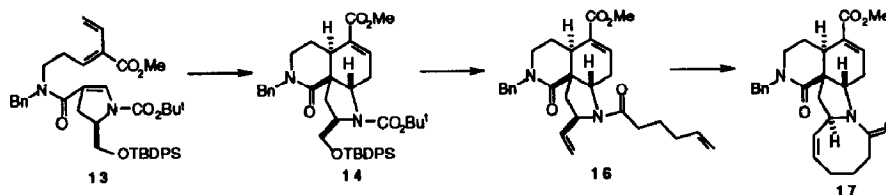
Hydrazine reacts with sugars having a glycosidic substituent on a carbon atom adjacent to an aldehyde or keto group.



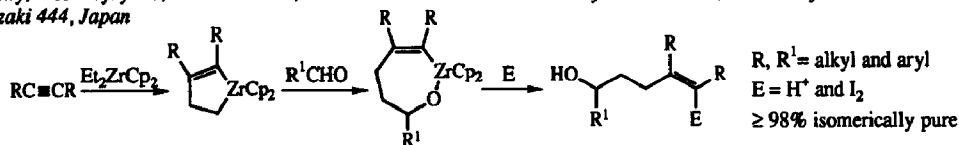
**A CONJUNCTIVE DIQUINANE SYNTHESIS USING A FREE-RADICAL CATALYZED INTRAMOLECULAR [3 + 2] METHYLENOCYCLOPENTANE ANNULATION.** Chad C. Huval and Daniel A. Singleton\*, Department of Chemistry, Texas A & M University, College Station, TX 77843-3255 USA



**A NOVEL APPROACH TO THE ASYMMETRIC SYNTHESIS OF MANZAMINE A. CONSTRUCTION OF THE TETRACYCLIC ABCE RING SYSTEM.** S. F. Martin,\* Y. Liao, Y. Wong and T. Rein, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, The University of Texas, Austin, TX 78712  
The manzamine A ABCE ring subunit 17 was assembled using an intramolecular [4+2] reaction and an olefin metathesis as key steps.



**REACTION OF 3-ZIRCONA-1-CYCLOPENTENES AND ZIRCONACYCLOPENTANES WITH ALDEHYDES. A SELECTIVE AND CONVENIENT SYNTHESIS OF 4-PENTEN-1-OLS, (Z)-5-IODO-4-PENTEN-1-OLS, AND RELATED ALKANOLS.** Christophe Copéret, Ei-ichi Negishi,\* Zhenfeng Xi, and Tamotsu Takahashi\* Department of Chemistry, Purdue University, West Lafayette, Indiana 47906, U.S.A. and Coordination chemistry Laboratories, Institute of Molecular Science, Myodaiji, Okazaki 444, Japan

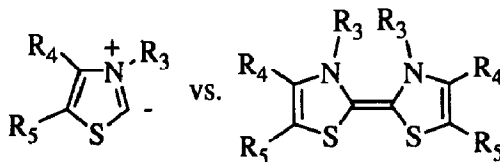


Selective one-pot procedure for the preparation of tri- and tetrasubstituted 4-alken-1-ols from alkynes and related reactions of alkenes, dienes, and diyne.

**The Thiazolium Catalyzed Benzoin Condensation with Mild Base Does not Involve a "Dimer" Intermediate**

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New York, New York 10027

Kinetic studies show that the benzoin condensation catalyzed by 3,4,5-trimethylthiazolium iodide and triethylamine in DMSO does not involve thiazolium dimers as the catalytic species, as has been proposed.

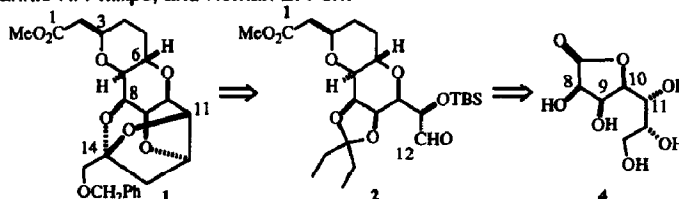


**An Expedient Synthesis of the C(1)-C(14) Subunit of Halichondrin B**

Steven D. Burke,\* Kyung Woon Jung, Jeannie R. Phillips, and Roman E. Perri

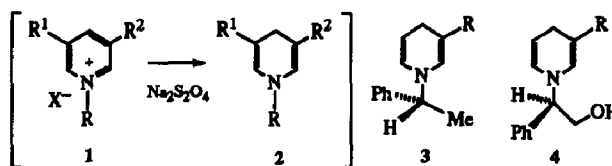
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The C(1)-C(14) segment 1 of halichondrin B was constructed very efficiently from 4 in 15 steps. The synthesis of the C(1)-C(12) subunit 2 features a pinacol rearrangement and an intramolecular Michael addition.

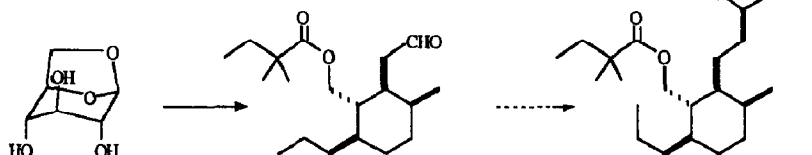
**1,4-Dihydropyridines from Dithionite Reduction of Pyridinium Salts without Electron-Withdrawing Groups as Substituents.**

Yung-Sing Wong, Christian Marazano,\* Dino Gnecco and Bhupesh C. Das, Institut de Chimie des Substances Naturelles, C.N.R.S., 91198 Gif-sur-Yvette Cedex, France.

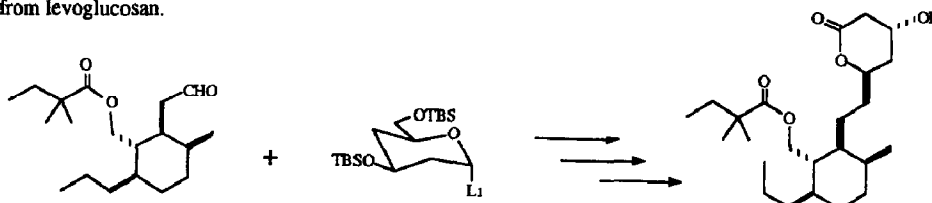
Sodium dithionite reduction of pyridinium salts 1, lacking EWGs offers a convenient access to 1,4-dihydropyridines 2, in particular, chiral derivatives such as 3 and unstable intermediates 4 ( $R, R^1, R^2 = H$  or alkyl groups).

**STEREOSELECTIVE SYNTHESIS OF THE TETRASUBSTITUTED CYCLOHEXANE CORE OF A MONOCYCLIC MEVINIC ACID ANALOGUE.**

Mikhail S. Ermolenko\*, Alain Olesker and Gabor Lukacs, Institut de Chimie des Substances Naturelles du CNRS, 91198, Gif sur Yvette, France. Synthesis of a 1,2,3,4-tetrasubstituted cyclohexane, intermediate towards monocyclic Compactin analogue, has been performed starting from levoglucosan.

**TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF A MONOCYCLIC ANALOGUE OF COMPACTIN.**

Mikhail S. Ermolenko\*, Alain Olesker and Gabor Lukacs, Institut de Chimie des Substances Naturelles du CNRS, 91198, Gif sur Yvette, France. Total synthesis of Karanewsky's monocyclic Compactin analogue has been accomplished from levoglucosan.

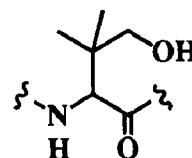


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**Polytheonamides, Unprecedented Highly Cytotoxic Polypeptides, from the Marine Sponge *Theonella swinhoei***  
**1. Isolation and Component Amino Acids**

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Bunkyo-ku, Tokyo 113, Japan

Highly cytotoxic polypeptides, polytheonamides A-C, have been isolated from the marine sponge *Theonella swinhoei*. They contained unusual amino acids such as *t*-Leu,  $\beta$ -methylGlx,  $\beta$ -methylIle,  $\beta$ -hydroxyVal,  $\beta$ -hydroxyAsx and  $\gamma$ -hydroxy-*t*-Leu.

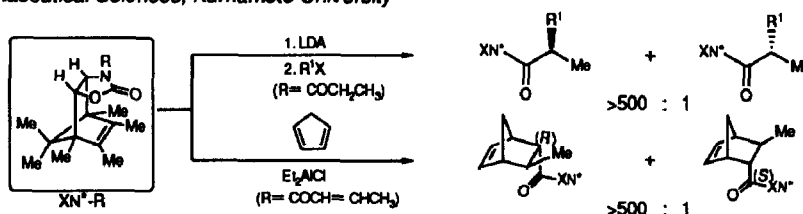


OH-*t*-Leu

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**Highly Efficient Chiral 2-Oxazolidinone Auxiliaries Derived from Methylocyclopentadienes and 2-Oxazolone**

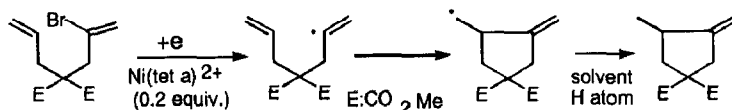
Noriaki Hashimoto, Tadao Ishizuka and Takehisa Kunieda\*  
Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Kumamoto University



**CYCLIZATIONS OF VINYL AND ARYL RADICALS GENERATED BY A NICKEL(II) COMPLEX CATALYSED ELECTROREDUCTION**

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Faculty of Pharmaceutical Sciences, Osaka University, 1-6, Yamadaoka, Suita, Osaka-fu, 565 Japan  
Shigeko Ozaki, Ikuo Horiguchi, Hidenori Matsushita and Hidenobu Ohmori  
Radical cyclization of vinyl and aryl halides was performed by indirect electroreduction using a nickel(II) complex as an electron-transfer catalyst.



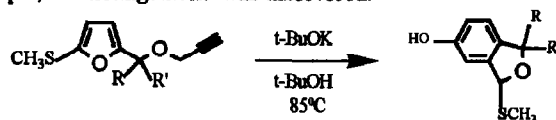
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**INTRAMOLECULAR DIELS-ALDER REACTION OF FURANS WITH ALLENYL ETHERS FOLLOWED BY METHYLTHIO GROUP 1,4-REARRANGEMENT**

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A novel reaction involving an intramolecular Diels-Alder reaction of furans with allenyl ether followed by a methylthio group 1,4-rearrangement was discovered.



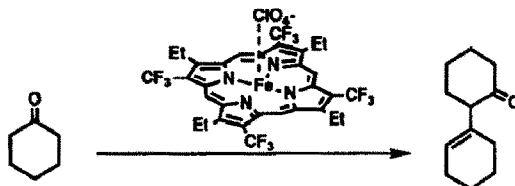


**Aldol Condensation Catalyzed by Highly Electron Deficient Iron Porphyrin**

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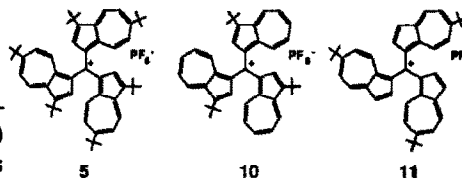
The perchlorate complex of 2,4,6,8-tetra(trifluoromethyl)-1,3,5,7-tetraethylporphyrin-Fe(III) catalyzes the aldol condensation of cyclohexanone.

**Tris(3,6-di-*t*-butyl-1-azulenyl)methyl Cation; Hydrocarbon Cation with the Highest  $pK_R^+$  Value**

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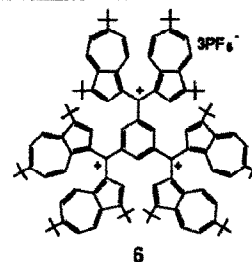
Tris(3,6-di-*t*-butyl-1-azulenyl)methyl (5), tri(3-*t*-butyl-1-azulenyl)methyl (10), and tri(6-*t*-butyl-1-azulenyl)methyl (11) hexafluorophosphates were synthesized. Their  $pK_R^+$  values were determined as 14.3, 13.2, and 13.7, respectively.

**Synthesis of Trication Stabilized by Azulene Rings**

Shunji Ito, Noboru Morita and Toyonobu Asao\*

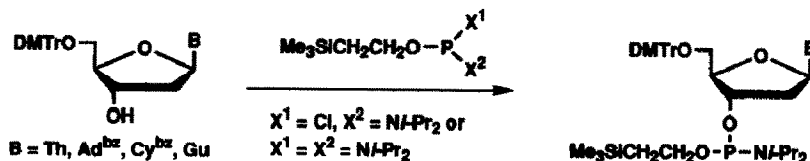
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Extraordinary stable trication 6 was synthesized, and the  $pK_R^{+++}$ ,  $pK_R^{++}$  and  $pK_R^+$  values were determined as 9.1, 10.9, and 12.7, respectively.

**2-(Trimethylsilyl)ethyl as a Phosphate Protecting Group in Oligonucleotide Synthesis**

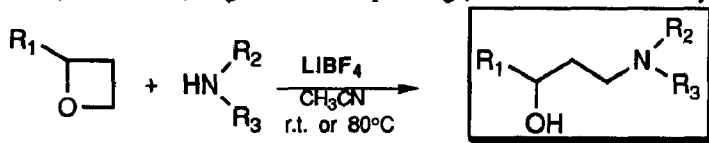
Takeshi Wada and Mitsuo Sekine\*

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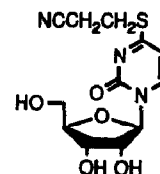
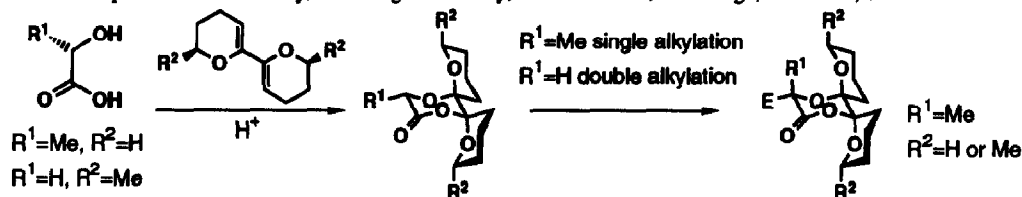


**MILD LiBF<sub>4</sub>-PROMOTED AMINOLYSIS OF OXETANES**

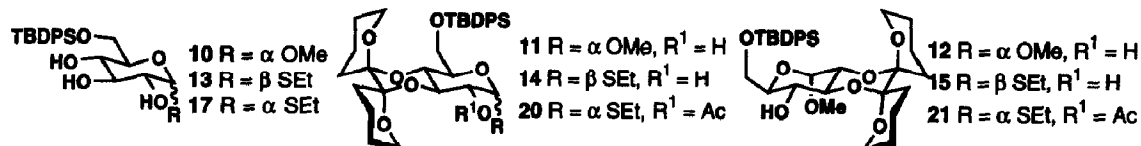
Marco Chini, Paolo Crotti,\* Lucilla Favero, and Franco Macchia

*Dipartimento di Chimica Bioorganica, Università di Pisa, via Bonanno 33, 56126 Pisa, Italy**Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 761*LiBF<sub>4</sub> in CH<sub>3</sub>CN efficiently catalyzes the aminolysis of trimethylene oxide and 2-octyl oxetane under mild conditions (r.t. or 80 °C) to give the corresponding γ-amino alcohols in very good yields.**A CONVENIENT SYNTHESIS OF S-CYANOETHYL-****PROTECTED 4-THIOURIDINE AND ITS INCORPORATION**

INTO OLIGORIBONUCLEOTIDES. Chris J. Adams\*, James B. Murray, John R. P. Arnold and Peter G. Stockley, Department of Genetics, University of Leeds, Leeds LS2 9JT, UK.

*Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 765*Synthesis of S<sup>4</sup>-cyanoethyl-4-thiouridine and its incorporation into oligoribonucleotides using current phosphoramidite methodology.**DISPIROKETALS IN SYNTHESIS (PART 6): HIGHLY STEREO-****SELECTIVE ALKYLATION OF DISPIROKETAL PROTECTED****LACTATE AND GLYCOLATE ENOLATES.** Robert Downham, Kun Soo Kim, Steven V. Ley\*, and Martin Woods. Department of Chemistry, Cambridge University, Lensfield Road, Cambridge, CB2 1EW, UK.*Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 769***DISPIROKETALS IN SYNTHESIS (PART 7): PROTECT-****ION OF D-GLUCOPYRANOSE SUBSTRATES.** Andrew B. Hughes, Steven V. Ley\*, Henning W.M. Priepeke, and Martin Woods, Department of Chemistry, University of Cambridge, Lensfield Road, Cambridge CB2 1EW, UK.

The efficient formation of 1,8,13,16-tetraoxadispiro[5.0.5.4]hexadecanes of various D-glucopyranosyl substrates is described.

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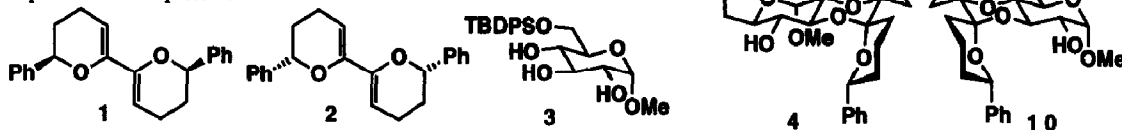


**DISPIROKETALS IN SYNTHESIS (PART 8): REGIOSELECTIVE PROTECTION OF D-GLUCOPYRANOSE SUBSTRATES.**

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The dienes **1** and **2** are able to recognise enantiomeric *trans* 1,2-diols. Acid catalysed reaction of **1** and **3** or **2** and **3** gives dispiroketal **4** or **10** respectively. Novel conditions for the deprotection of **4** and **10** and a related allyl substituted dispiroketal **12** are presented.



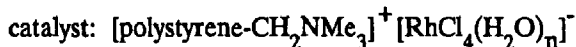
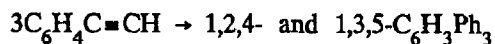
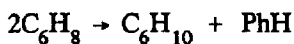
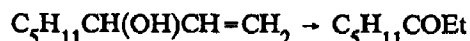
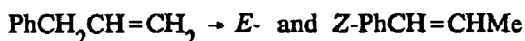
**Polystyrene-Supported RhCl<sub>3</sub>-Quaternary Ammonium Ion Pair as a Long-Lived, Efficient and Recyclable Catalyst.**

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The Hebrew University, Jerusalem 91904, Israel; and Israel Institute of Technology, Haifa 32000, Israel

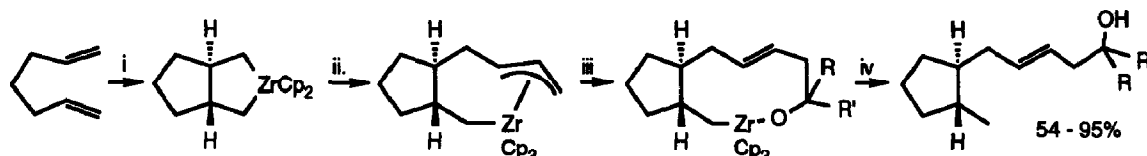
The ion pair generated from Dowex<sup>®</sup> 1 and RhCl<sub>3</sub> is an efficient and recyclable catalyst for the following reactions:



**Elaboration of Zirconacyclopentanes by Sequential Insertion of Lithium Chloroallylide and Ketones or Aldehydes.**

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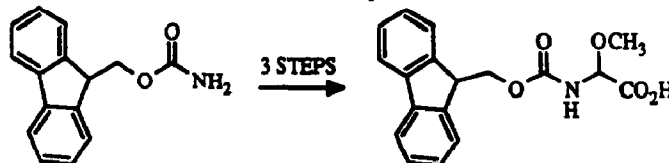
i. Cp<sub>2</sub>ZrBu<sub>2</sub>, r.t., 1h; ii. CH<sub>2</sub>=CHCH<sub>2</sub>Cl / R<sub>2</sub>NLi, -78°C; iii. RR'CO, Δ or BF<sub>3</sub>·Et<sub>2</sub>O; iv. MeOH, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>aq

**SOLID PHASE SYNTHESIS OF α-HYDROXYGLYCINE EXTENDED PEPTIDES**

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**- BIOLOGICAL PRECURSORS OF PEPTIDE AMIDES.** Angus R. Brown and Robert Ramage, Edinburgh University, Department of Chemistry, West Mains Road, Edinburgh, EH9 3JJ, Scotland.

The first solid phase synthesis of α-hydroxyglycine extended peptides is described.

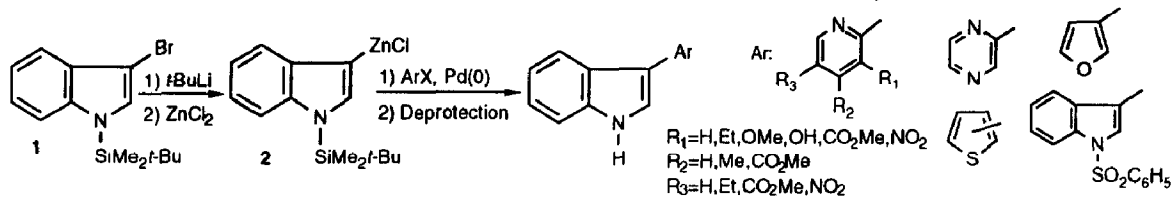


**Palladium-Catalyzed Heteroarylation of 1-(*tert*-Butyldimethylsilyl)-3-indolylzinc Chloride. Efficient Synthesis of 3-(2-Pyridyl)indoles.**

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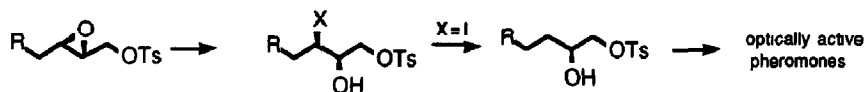
**Ring Opening of 2,3-Epoxy 1-Tosylates to Halohydrins and Subsequent Elaboration to Asymmetrical Alcohols**

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2,3 epoxy alcohols tosylates are regio and chemoselectively opened to the corresponding 3-halohydrins (I, Br, Cl): the iodohydrins have been successfully elaborated, via reduction to the 1,2-diols-1-tosylates and replacement of the tosyl group. The application of the protocol leads to a straightforward synthesis of optically active naturally occurring pheromones.



**CYCLISATION OF STILBENES TO PHENANTHRENES BY FLASH VACUUM PYROLYSIS**

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Flash Vacuum Pyrolysis of 1-chlorostilbene and other derivatives gives phenanthrenes in reasonable yields.

