GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

Relative Configuration of the C-1 to C-5 Fragment of Fumonisin B,

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Abstract: Synthesis of the 2,3-carbamate and the 3,5-carbonate-N-p-bromobenzoate derivatives of Fumonisin B_1 have been made in an initial study of the configuration of fumonisins. These have been used to determine the relative configuration of the C-1 to C-5 fragment, as illustrated.

RELATIVE STEREOCHEMISTRY OF FUMONISIN B, AT C-2

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AND C-3. Gregory K. Poch, Richard G. Powell,* Ronald D.

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Relative stereochemistry of the mycotoxin fumonisin B₁ at C-2 and C-3 has been established as three by NMR studies of synthetic exazoline derivatives.

Stereoselective Reaction of a Chiral Assisted Amide Enolate Ion with 1-Iodonaphthalene by the $S_{RN}1$ Mechanism

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$$H_3C$$
 H_3C
 H_3C

M+=Li+, Na+, K+, Cs+, Ti(TV)

(Diasteromeric ratio < 99)

Synthesis of Dinaphthoporphyrins from Dihydronaphtho[1,2-c]pyrroles.

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7715

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Porphyrins bearing two fused naphthalene rings on the opposite or adjacent pyrrole rings have been synthesized in good overall yields by the MacDonald condensation or by the cyclization of suitably substituted a,c-biladienes.

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NOVEL APPROACHES TOWARD NINHYDRIN ANALOGS

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Several 5-arylninhydrins have been prepared using palladium-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions.

Benzophenone-Mediated Conjugate Additions of Aromatic

Aldehydes to Quinones

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Benzophenone increases the efficiency of the photochemically mediated addition of aldehydes to quinones.

Enolate Free a-Alkoxyvinylithium Reagents: Improved Preparation and Reaction with N,N-Dialkylcarboxamides

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A variety of carboxamides have been transformed as shown (11 examples). No ring metalation or α-deprotonation was observed.

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N-Acyl-N-Nitrosoamino Acids and Peptides Seunguk Paik and Emil H. White*

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7731

Department of Chemistry, The Johns Hopkins University, Baltimore, Maryland 21218 The title compounds were prepared by nitrosation with N2O4. The hydrolysis of polynitrosopeptides in aqueous solution occurs preferentially from the C-terminus.

Enantioselective Synthesis of 7-Cycloocten-1,3,5,6-tetraol Derivatives by Enzymatic Asymmetrization. C. R. Johnson,*

L.S. Harikrishnan and A. Golebiowski, Department of Chemistry, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI 48202 meso-Diol 4, derived from 1,5-cyclooctadiene, in the presence of *Pseudomonas cepacia* lipase in isopropenyl acetate, afforded enantiopure 5, a useful intermediate for the synthesis of sugars, etc.

SINGLE STEP SYNTHESES OF LACTOSYLATED CLUSTERS BY TELOMERIZATIONS. S. Aravind, W. K. C. Park, S. Brochu

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7739

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N-Acryloylated lactoside derivatives containing spacer arms of different length were telomerized in the presence of *t*-BuSH and HSCH₂CH₂CO₂Me to provide a family of lactose clusters.

Strategies for the Synthesis of C-disaccharides Containing D and L Sugars. Robert W. Armstrong,* Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7743

and Daniel P. Sutherlin, Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of California at Los Angeles, Los Angeles, CA, 90024 USA

The osmylation of C-1 homologated diene ester monosaccharides readily affords separable C-disaccharides of diverse but predictable stereochemistry from a single precursor.

PRACTICAL TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF A NATURALLY OCCURRING THIELOCIN VIA THE REGIOSELECTIVE ARYLATION OF A CYCLIC

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7747

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Cross-linked Enzyme Crystals of Fructose Diphosphate Aldolase: Development as a Biocatalyst for Synthesis. Susan B. Sobolov*,

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Crystals of rabbit muscle aldolase were grown from 45% saturated ammonium sulfate solutions and cross-linked with glutaraldehyde to produce a biocatalyst that has stability for months. can be reisolated and reused, and has excellent H₂O₃PO solvent stability. They are also shown to be an excellent catalyst with non-natural substrates.

In situ NMR Study of the Rhodium(I)-Catalyzed Hydrogenation of the Allene 1-Methoxy-propa-1,2-diene Using Parahydrogen

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The homogeneous hydrogenation of the donor activated allene 1-methoxy-propa-1,2-diene is investigated via in situ ¹H-NMR spectroscopy using different rhodium(I) catalysts and parahydrogen (p-H₂).

H₃C---OCH₃

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cis-/trans-1-methoxy-propene

3-methoxy-propene

Dynamic Behavior of 2,2',6,6',9,9'-Hexa-tert-butyl-8,8'-dihydro-4,4'-bicyclohepta[def]fluorenylidene, a Substituted Bifluorenylidene

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The title compound 5 was synthesized and its racemization was investigated by variable temperature NMR.

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7759

A New Safety-Catch Peptide-Resin Linkage for the Direct Release of Peptides into Aqueous Buffers. Stefan Hoffmann and Ronald Frank, GBF (Gesellschaft Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7763

für Biotechnologische Forschung mbH), Mascheroder Weg 1, D-38124 Braunschweig, Germany

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1,2-Metallate rearrangements:

Stannyl and (Stannyl) Vinyl Transfers.
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A 1,2-metallate rearrangement was performed on dihydrofuran 13a using 8a and 9 cuprates, to lead, after methylation, to the corresponding stannyl compounds 15 and 16 in high yields.

Intramolecular Coupling Reaction Promoted by SmI2 in a Synthetic Approach of Forskolin.

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In a synthetic approach of forskolin 1, a stereocontrolled pinacolic coupling reaction on dialdehyde 4 using SmI₂ gave the cyclic cis-6\beta-7\beta diol 3.

1,3-DIASTEREOCONTROL WITH BROMOALLENES. SYNTHESIS OF ENANTIOMERICALLY PURE β-BRANCHED α-AMINO ACIDS

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SYNTHESIS OF MACROCYCLIC DITOPIC RECEPTORS DESIGNED FOR SIMULTANEOUS BINDING OF ALKALINE AND TRANSITION METAL CATIONS Ernest Graf, Mir Wais Hosseini* and Romain Ruppert Université Louis Pasteur, Institut Le Bel, 4, rue Blaise Pascal, F-67000 Strasbourg, France

The synthesis of diazatetraoxacyclooctadecane derivatives bearing two catechol groups was achieved in good yield.

EFFICIENT SYNTHESIS OF NOVEL α-ARYL(ALKYL)-β, β-

DIFLUOROVINYL AND α-ARYL(ALKYL)-β-FLUORO-β-PER-

FLUOROALKYLVINYL SULFIDES. In Howa Jeong**, Yong Ki Min^b, Young Sup Kim^b, Bum Tae Kim*^b, and Kwang Yun Cho^b, Department of Chemistry, Yonsei University, Kangwon-do 222-701, Korea, ^b Korea Research Institute of Chemical Technology, Daejeon 305-606, Korea.

Reaction of 1,1-bis(phenylthio)perfluoroalkyl aromatics or alkans with mixture of 2 equiv. of TiCl₄ and 4 equiv. of LiAlH₄ provided α -aryl(alkyl)- β , β -difluorovinyl and α -aryl(alkyl)- β -fluoro- β -perfluoroalkylvinyl sulfides in good yields.

A NEW ALKENYL ETHER GIVING ACETAL WITH STEREOSPECIFIC MANNER. Hisso Nemoto Department of Applied Molecular Science

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7785

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The alkenyl ether 4 can stereospecifically produce the acetal 5.

Facile Formation of Lanthanoid(III) Thiolates from Benzophenone-Catalyzed Reaction of Lanthanoid Metals and Disulfides, and Their Use as Sulfenylating Reagents

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7789

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Lanthanoid metal reacts with dialkyl disulfide in the presence of a catalytic amount of Ph₂C=O to generate lanthanoid thiolates, which react with enones to give Michael adducts in good yields.

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1,4-Remote Stereocontrol by Asymmetric Catalytic Carbonyl-Ene Reaction with Chiral Homonlylic Ethers: An Application to the Asymmetric Synthesis of (11R,14S)-anti- and (31R,34S)-syn-Segments of Immunosuppressant Rapamycin

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7793

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Regeneration of the Milbemycin's C2-C4 Structural

Arrangement from Δ^2 -Milbemycin.

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Me^v.

A procedure is reported for enhanced efficiency in converting $\Delta^2\text{-milbemycin }A_4$ to milbemycin A_4 .

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7801

Opening of Dihydropyran and Recyclizing to Dehydrooxepane through C-1 Alkynyl Cobalt Complex --- A New Method toward Marine Polyether Toxins

S. Tanaka, M. Isobe,* Lab. of Organic Chemistry, School of Agricultural Sciences, Nagoya University, Chikusa, Nagoya 464-01, Japan Two sugar derivatives with alkynyl group as dicobalt hexacarbonyl complex yielded the open-chain compounds, one of which was further cyclized into dehydrooxepane ring with high stereospecificity.

SAMARIUM(II) IODIDE PROMOTED REDUCTIVE RING OPENING REACTION OF CYCLOPROPANE-1,1-DICARBOXYLIC ESTERS.

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7805

SYNTHESIS OF SUBSTITUTED 5-PENTANOLIDES FROM CARBONYL COMPOUNDS AND DIMETHYL CYCLOPROPANE-1,1-DICARBOXYLATES. Tsuneo Imamoto,* Toshihiko Hatajima, and Takeshi Yoshizawa, Department of Chemistry, Faculty of Science, Chiba University, Inage, Chiba 263, Japan

INTRAMOLECULAR REACTION OF $\beta\text{-}(ALKOXYCARBONYL)\text{-}$ ALLYLSILANE WITH EPOXIDE INTO $\alpha\text{-}METHYLENE\text{-}\delta\text{-}LACTONES$ FUSED TO CARBOCYCLES

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7809

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AN ENANTIOSELECTIVE SYNTHESIS

OF THE A-RING FRAGMENT OF TAXOL

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The A-Ring fragment of taxol, α-hydroxy aldehyde, was enantioselectively prepared by using the Sharpless asymmetric dihydroxylation of the enol silyl ether.

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7817 A NOVEL STILBENE TETRAMER, LEACHIANOL C, FROM

SOPHORA LEACHIANA Masayoshi Ohyama, Toshiyuki Tanaka and

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A novel resveratrol tetramer, leachianol C, was isolated from the roots of Sophora leachiana. The structure and the relative stereochemistry were determined by means of 2D NMR spectroscopy including PSNOESY.

2-(4-Nitrophenyl)sulfonylethoxycarbonyl (Nsc) Group As a Base-Labile O-Amino Protection for Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis

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Effectiveness of the new protective group was proven by the solid phase synthesis of the dodecapeptide Ala-Ser-Ser-Thr-Ile-Ile-Lys-Glu-Gly-Ile-Asp-Lys

$$O_2N - \bigcirc O_2 \cap O$$

THEORETICAL AND EXPERIMENTAL STUDIES ON THE PERISELECTIVITY OF THE CYCLOADDITION REACTION BETWEEEN ACTIVATED

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KETENES AND CONJUGATED IMINES. Iosune Arrastia, Ana Arrieta, Jesus M. Ugalde, and Fernando P. Cossío* Kimika Fakultatea. Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea. P.K. 1072, 20080 San Sebastián-Donostia. Spain. Begoña Lecea Farmazi Fakultatea. Euskal Herriko Unibertsitatea. Lasarteko ataria z/g. 01007 Vitoria-Gasteiz. Spain.

Theoretical and experimental studies on the cycloaddition between methoxyketene and a model conjugated imine predict the preferential formation of the [2+2] cycloadduct. A configuration interaction level of theory is required to reproduce correctly the observed periselectivity.

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A Biomimetic Approach to the Manzamine Alkaloids; Model Studies

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An approach to the manzamine alkaloids based on a biogenetic theory has been investigated using a simple model system and the key cycloaddion step (1->2) has been accomplished in moderate yield.

ULTRASOUND-MEDIATED REARRANGEMENT OF 8-IONONE TO 1,1,6-TRIMETHYL-1,2,3,4-TETRAHYDRONAPHTHALENE.

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7833

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Sonication of β -ionone in CHBr₃ yields 1,1,6-trimethyl-1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphtalene.

Visible Light Initiated Photosensitised Electron Transfer (PET) Reductive β -Activation of α,β -Unsaturated Ketones for Radical Cyclisation: A new Concept in Promoting Radical Reactions

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Photosensitised one electron reductive β -activation of α,β -unsaturated ketones for radical cyclisations are reported.

A STEREOSELECTIVE TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF BAKKENOLIDE-A (FUKINANOLIDE)

Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7841

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SEQUENTIAL FREE RADICAL SYNTHESIS OF A LINEAR TRIQUINANE SKELETON FROM AN ACYCLIC SYNTHON

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Homolytic decomposition of the thiohydroxamic ester 1 in presence of acrylonitrile is shown to produce the triquinane system 2 by a sequential free radical reaction.

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Casuarine: A Very Highly Oxygenated Pyrrolizidine Alkaloid
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The isolation from Casuarina equisetifolia L. (Casuarinaceae) bark of casuarine (1R,2R,3R,6S,7S,7aR)-3-(hydroxymethyl)-1,2,6,7-tetrahydroxypyrrolizidine is reported.

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REGIO- AND STEREO-SELECTIVE INTERMOLECULAR INTERCEPTIONS OF A CONJUGATED N-ACYLHYDRAZONIUM ION

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Under acidic conditions, 1 is converted into the intermediate ion 2, which undergoes reduction to give 3a, cyanation to afford 3b, allylation to yield 3c, and methoxylation to furnish 3d.

SYNTHESIS OF DAMIRONES A AND B FROM A QUINOLINE

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TRI-n-BUTYLTIN HYDRIDE MEDIATED DEHALOGENATION

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IN WATER

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Tri-n-butyltin hydride in aqueous suspension has been found to reduce a variety of organic halides.

Preparation of Cyclic α-(3,4-Dihydro-2-isopropyl-4-oxoquinazolin-3-yl)aminoβ-ketoesters: Further Oxidation with Lead Tetra-acetate in Dichloromethane Tetrahedron Letters, 1994, 35, 7863

and in Methanol Leading to Ring-Expansion and Ring-Cleavage Products,
Respectively. Robert S. Atkinson*, Emma Barker, Paul J. Edwards and Gordon A. Thomson, Department of Chemistry, The University,
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REGIOSELECTIVE REDUCTION OF SUBSTITUTED DINITROARENES USING BAKER'S YEAST.

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Substituted dinitroarenes have been reduced regioselectively using baker's yeast. A possible mechanism is proposed to account for these reductions.

CHEMICAL DIVERSITY IN THE MEDITERRANEAN SPONGE RASPACIONA ACULEATA: STRUCTURE AND ABSOLUTE STEREOCHEMISTRY OF BLANESIN

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Specimen of the marine sponge Raspaciona aculeata contains a new furano-ent-labdane diterpenoid, blanesin, whereas other specimens of the same sponge co-occuring in the same habitat contain completely different metabolites.