GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

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1,3-ASYMMETRIC INDUCTION IN ENOLATE ALKYLATION REACTIONS OF N-PROTECTED γ -AMINO ACID DERIVATIVES

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Dianions of N-TFA and N-Boc γ-amino acid esters and amides undergo highly stereoselective α-alkylation reactions.

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A SHORT SYNTHESIS OF AN IMPORTANT PRECURSOR TO A NEW CLASS OF BICYCLIC β -LACTAMASE INHIBITORS. John R. Bellettini and

Marvin J. Miller,* Department of Chemistry and Biochemistry, University of Notre Dame, Notre Dame, IN 46556, USA.

The synthesis of a precursor to known bicyclic β -lactamase inhibitors was accomplished in three steps from trans-3-hydroxy-L-proline.

LISSOKETAL, A SPIROKETAL FROM THE PALAUAN ASCIDIAN LISSOCLINUM VOELTZKOWI

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Specimens of *Lissoclinum voeltzkowi* from Palau contained lissoketal, which was identified by analysis of spectral data.

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REDUCTION OF C₆₀ USING ANHYDROUS HYDRAZINE

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H₂NNH₂ + H₂NNH₂

³HE NMR SPECTRA OF HIGHLY REDUCED C₆₀

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Two signals were observed in the ³He NMR spectrum of ³He@C₆₀H₃₆. The major signal corresponds with the ³He chemical shift calculated for a structure with D_{3d} symmetry.

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S-2-NAPHTHYLMETHYL THIOACETIMIDATE HYDROBROMIDE:

A NEW ODORLESS REAGENT FOR THE MILD SYNTHESIS OF

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The synthesis and use of S-2-naphthylmethyl thioacetimidate hydrobromide as a highly reactive reagent for the efficient conversion of amines to substituted acetamidines in a nonodorous process is described.

Thiophene Ring Hydroxylation: A Novel Application of trans-(±)-

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2-(Phenylsulfonyl)-3-Phenyloxaziridine. Raymundo Cruz-Almanza,*

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Hydroxylation of thiophene 5 produces thiolactone 7.

holding of 6 supports favored mechanism while 8 indicates attack of 5a at the ring carbon of the oxaziridine.

MILD BASE MEDIATED DESILYLATION OF VARIOUS PHENOLIC SILYLETHERS

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R=NO₂, Br, CHO, alkyl

12 examples 62-100%

Protection of a Protecting Group: Preparation of Stable N-Silylated t-Butyl Carbamates

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Treatment of N-1-Boc-protected primary amines (2) with a silyl triflate leads to stable N-silylated carbamate (1) in 89-98% yields.

R¹= CH₃CH₂CH₂-, benzyl, CH₃OOC(CH₃)*CH-X = (CH₃)₃-, t-Bu(CH₃)₂, ((CH₃)₂CH)₃

HIGHLY ENANTIOSELECTIVE TOTAL SYN-THESIS OF NATURAL EPOXYDICTYMENE. AN ALKOXY-DIRECTED CYCLIZATION ROUTE TO HIGHLY STRAINED trans-OXABICYCLO[3.3.0]OCTANES

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An enantioselective synthesis of (+)-epoxydictymene is reported.

THE TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF UK-1.

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A concise synthesis of the bis(benzoxazole) natural product UK-1 is reported.

R = Me or Bn

R = Me or H (UK-1)

SYNTHESIS OF 3-(β -D-RIBOFURANOSYL)-2-FLUOROPYRIDINE AND 3-(β -D-RIBOFURANOSYL)-PYRIDIN-2-ONE

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Several approaches toward synthesis of 3-(β -D-ribofuranosyl)pyridinone from 2-fluoropyridine and suitably protected D-ribono-1,4-lactone were investigated. The successful approach utilized reductive opening of furanose ring followed by intramolecular Mitsunobu cyclisation.

AN IMPROVED METHOD FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF N3'→P5' PHOSPHORAMIDATE OLIGONUCLEOTIDES. Sarah N. McCurdy,

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new method for the synthesis of N3'→P5' phosphoramidate oligonucleotides is demonstrated.

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Traceless Linker: Oxidative Activation and Displacement

of a Sulfur-Based Linker. Leah M. Gayo and Mark J. Suto*,

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Described is a "traceless" linker useful for the combinatorial synthesis of heterocycles. The linker is inert until "activated" by oxidation, but as the sulfide, stable to a number of reaction conditions. Addition of a nucleophile (0.95 eqv.) to the activated linker cleaves the molecule from the resin and introduces additional diversity.

1. Oxidation

2. RR'NH (0.95 eqv.)

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Highly Effective NPN-type Tridentate Ligands for Asymmetric Transfer Hydrogenation of Ketones

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New chiral NPN-type tridentate ligands containing two oxazoline rings and one phosphine have been synthesized, and their Ru(II) complexes show high reactivity and enantioselectivity in transfer hydrogenations of both aryl alkyl and dialkyl ketones.

OH
$$R_1$$
 R_2
 $PrOH$, Base
 R_1
 R_2
 $PrOH$, Base

HYDROBORATION OF MONO-SUBSTITUTED ALLENES: A GENERAL SYNTHETIC ROUTE TO THE HIGHER CROTYLBORANES AND anti -3-ALKYL/ARYL-4-HYDROXY-1-ALKENES.

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An efficient method for the generation of [E]-higher crotylboranes was developed and these higher crotylboranes, on reaction with aldehydes and oxidation, provide the corresponding anti-3-alkyl/aryl-4-hydroxy-1-alkenes in high de and ee.

Synthesis of Carbon-carbon Linked Porphyrinoligomers Tetrahedron Letters, 1997, 38, 223

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by Utilization of Heck-type Coupling of Natural Tetrapyrroles

The Heck type cross-coupling reaction of zinc(II)-monobromodeuteroporphyrin-dimethylester and di- or trivinylbenzene provided C-C-linked di- and trimeric porphyrins in high yields.

SYNTHESIS OF A NOVEL α-GLUCOSIDE OF THE POWERFUL GLUCOSIDASE INHIBITOR 2,5-DIDEOXY-2,5-IMINO-D-MANNITOL VIA ENZYMATIC GLUCOSYLATION OF 5-AZIDO-5-DEOXY-D-FRUCTOPYRANOSE

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 $\alpha\text{-}Glucosidases$ transfer glucopyranosyl moieties from maltose to O-4 of 5-azido-5-deoxy-D-fructopyranose. The disaccharide thus obtained by intramolecular reductive amination was readily transformed into the 3-O- α -D-glucopyranosyl derivative of 2,5-dideoxy-2,5-imino-D-mannitol.

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Synthesis of tert-Butyl (2R,3R)-2-cyano-3-formyl-aziridine-1-carboxylate - A New Potential Building Block for Amino Alcohols and Polyamines.

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The first 3-formyl-aziridine-2-carboxylic acid derivative 3 was prepared by hydrolysis of the acetonide protected aziridine 1 and subsequent glycol cleavage of the cyano dihydroxyethyl aziridine 2.

MECHANISM OF METAL-CARBENOID INSERTION INTO THE Si-H BOND.

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Kinetic investigations on the insertion of metal-carbenoid into the Si-H bond have been carried out. A kinetic isotope effect of 1.5 was found and the log $k_{\rm X}/k_{\rm H}$ vs σ_p for the reaction of arylsilanes with EDA, gave a straight line with ρ =-0.31 (R = 0.993). This clearly indicates that the insertion proceeds through a concerted pathway with development of a partial positive charge at the silicon centre and a relatively early transition state.

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RADICAL DEUTERATION OF α -SELENYLATED- β -SILYLSULFOXIDES.

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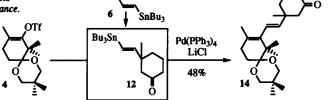
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The deuteration of α -selenylated- β -silyl- and - β -tert-butylsulfoxides led with good stereoselectivity to the formation of syn isomers irrespective of the stereochemistry of the sulfinyl precursors. Our results have been rationalized by transition state models which parallel the Felkin-Anh model.

(E)-Bis-1,2-(tributylstannyl)ethylene as a Staple in a Synthetic Approach to Taxol

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In a synthetic approach to taxol, a higher order cuprate derived from 6 was added to a cyclohexenone to form vinyl stannane 12, which was coupled under Stille conditions to vinyl triflate 4 to afford seco-taxane 14.



AN EFFICIENT AND HIGHLY STEREOSELECTIVE $\alpha(1\to4)$ GLYCOSYLATION BETWEEN TWO D-GALACTURONIC ACID ESTER DERIVATIVES

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The title reaction was carried out using a phenyl-1-thioglycoside as donor and gave rise to D-galacturonic acid ester dimers in good yields.

A O-protected trimer was obtained.

CRYSTAL STRUCTURE AND THERMODYNAMICAL BEHAVIOR OF TETRABENZO[de,hi,op,st]PENTACENE ENDOPEROXIDE Akira Izuoka,

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Crystal structure of an endoperoxide of tetrabenzo(de,hi,op,st]pentacene (TBPA-O₂) was determined

by X-ray crystallography.

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A SIMPLE PREPARATION OF 17(R)-HYDROXYEICOSATETRA-ENOIC AND EICOSAPENTAENOIC ACIDS FROM THE EICOSA-NOYLPHLOROGLUCINOLS, COMPONENTS OF THE BROWN ALGA, ZONARIA DIESINGIANA

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The alkaline treatment of the title compounds afforded 17(R)-hydroxyeicosatetraenoic and eicosapentaenoic acids, respectively, in good yields.

UNUSUAL SOLVENT-EFFECT IN STEREOCHEMISTRY OF ASYMMETRIC EPOXIDATION USING A (SALEN)CHROMIUM(III) COMPLEX AS A CATALYST

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Epoxidation using (salen)chromium(III) complex 1 exhibited the strongly solventdependent stereochemistry. For example, epoxidations of chromene 2 in toluene and acetonitrile showed the opposite sense of enantioselectivity to each other.

SEQUENTIAL "DOUBLE-MICHAEL" ADDITIONS OF DIENOLATES TO FULVENE: RAPID ACCESS TO THE TRICYCLO[5.3.0.N^{2,5}]ALKANE

SYSTEMS Bor-Cherng Hong* and Jang-Hsing Hong,

Department of Chemistry, National Chung-Cheng University, Chia-Yi, Taiwan, R. O. C. A highly efficient approach to the tricyclo[5.3.0.n^{2.5}]alkan-4-one system has been achieved via the intermolecular double Michael reaction of lithium dienolates to fulvene.

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A PLAUSIBLE CHEMICAL ANALOGY FOR BIOSYNTHESIS OF 2-ARYLBENZOFURAN OF ISOFLAVONOID ORIGIN AND ITS APPLICATION TO SYNTHESIS OF VIGNAFURAN

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A new hypothesis of 2-arylbenzofuran biosynthesis depicting 2-hydroxy-isoflav-3-ene as the ultimate precursor was proposed, and a potent fungicidal phytoalexin vignafuran was synthesized by this scheme.

SYNTHESIS AND BIOLOGICAL ACTIVITIES OF DEGRADED LIMONOIDS, (±)-FRAXINELLONONE AND ITS RELATED COMPOUNDS

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R = 3'-furyl

The first synthesis of (±)-fraxinellonone (1a) and its short step conversion into (±)-fraxinellone (2a) and (±)-isofraxinellone (3a) is described. The synthesized compounds exhibited moderate insect-antifeeding activity and ichthyotoxicity.

1a: fraxinellonone

2a: fraxinellone 3a: isofraxinellone

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SELF-AGGREGATION OF SYNTHETIC ZINC CHLORINS POSSESSING "INVERSE" KETO AND HYDROXYL GROUPS

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Zinc 3-acetyl-131-hydroxychlorin was efficiently prepared as a model for bacteriochlorophyll-d and self-aggregates to form oligomers in nonpolar organic solvents.

FIRST ASYMMETRIC SYNTHESIS OF (2R, 3R)-3-AMINO-1-BENZYL-2-METHYLPYRROLIDINE VIA A HIGHLY DIASTEREROSELECTIVE REDUCTIVE ALKYLATION

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1. Emonapride

Synthesis of the Unique Trisaccharide: 6-d-L-Talpα(1→2)-L-Rhafβ(1→5)-DHA

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This is the first synthesis of the trisaccharide containing 3-deoxy-D-lyxo heptulosaric acid as an unique monosaccharide. It is linked with disaccharide also composed of very rare sugars: 6-deoxy-L-talopyranose and L-rhamnofuranose.

SODIUM BOROHYDRIDE-AMBERLYST-15 (H+): AN EFFECTIVE REDUCTOR FOR HINDERED AND UNREACTIVE KETONES IN APROTIC SOLVENT.

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RRCO NaBH₄-Amberlyst-15 RRCHOH 80-95%

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Di-urea Compounds as Gelators for Organic Solvents

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Simple diurea compounds form thermoreversible gels with several organic solvents. Electron microscopy reveals that in these solvents the gelation agents assemble into very thin rectangular sheets which are several tens of micrometers long.

$$\bigcirc \qquad \bigcirc \qquad \bigvee_{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{H}} \bigvee_{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{H}} (CH_2)_{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{H}} \stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{H}} \stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{H}} \stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{H}} \stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{\stackrel{\scriptstyle \bullet}{\longrightarrow}}$$

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NEW ROUTE FOR [60] FULLERENE FUNCTIONALISATION IN [4+2] CYCLOADDITION REACTION USING INDENE.

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Reaction of [60] fullerene with isoindene, generated in situ from indene, leads to the new [60] fullerene cycloaddition product.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
 & \circ \cdot \text{Cl}_2\text{C}_6\text{H}_4 \\
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 & > 180\,^\circ\text{C}
\end{array}$$

Solvent Free Reaction Under Microwave Irradiation: A New Procedure for Eu⁺³- Catalyzed Michael Addition of 1,3-Dicarbonyl Compounds

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C-C bond formation via Michael addition is achieved in high yields and short times by employing catalytic amounts of EuCl₃ in dry media under microwave irradiation.

Palladium-Catalyzed 1,2-Oxidation of Allenes

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Palladium-catalyzed oxidation of allenes proceed with high regioselectivity to produce 1,2-dibromides. The reaction proceeds via a $(\pi$ -allyl)palladium intermediate.

SYNTHESIS OF BRIDGED CYCLOOCTANE

DERIVATIVES VIA ALKOXY RADICAL FRAGMENTATION.

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Alkoxy radical fragmentation of ketol 1 affords bridged cyclooctane derivatives in excellent yields.

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SIMPLE METHODS FOR THE PREPARATION OF PROTECTED DERIVATIVES OF D-allo-AND L-allo-THREONINE

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