

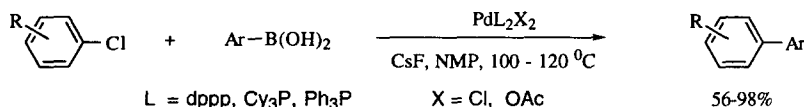
## GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

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### Palladium Catalyzed Coupling of Aryl Chlorides with Arylboronic Acids

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Efficient Suzuki couplings of electron deficient aryl chlorides with arylboronic acids have been achieved.



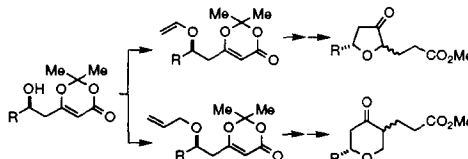
### Synthesis of Substituted Tetrahydrofuranones and Tetrahydropyranones: Photocycloaddition/Fragmentation Reactions of Dioxinones

*Tetrahedron Letters*, 1997, 38, 5579

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The combination of dioxinone aldol addition methodology and [2+2]-Photocycloaddition/fragmentation reactions can provide access to substituted tetrahydrofuran-3-ones and tetrahydropyran-4-ones, subunits abundantly found in biologically active natural products. Intramolecular photocyclization of vinyl and allyl ethers with dioxinones, followed by fragmentation in alkaline MeOH (K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>) leads to tetrahydrofuran-3-ones and tetrahydropyran-4-ones, providing a practical route to versatile building blocks for complex molecule synthesis.

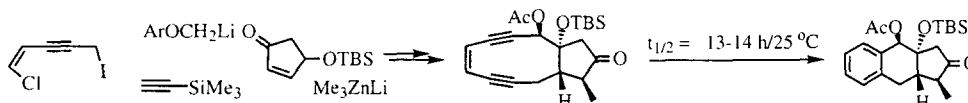


### A NEW FRAMEWORK FOR THE CYCLOAROMATIZATION OF ENEDIYNES UNDER MILD CONDITIONS.

*Tetrahedron Letters*, 1997, 38, 5583

M. F. Semmelhack,\* Yansong Gu, and Douglas M. Ho, Department of Chemistry, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ 08544

A bicyclo[8.3.0] framework as a potential functional model for the enediyne toxins has been designed, synthesized, and evaluated.

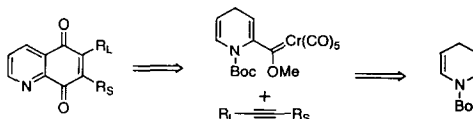


### A Synthesis of Quinoline-5,8-quinones via the Benzannulation of 1,4-Dihydro-2-pyridyl Carbene Complexes.

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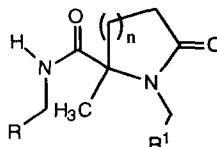
A method is reported for the preparation of 1,4-dihydro-2-pyridyl carbene complexes and their conversion to quinoline-5,8-quinones.



**Synthesis of Small and Medium Sized****2,2-Disubstituted Lactams via the "Intramolecular" Three Component Ugi**

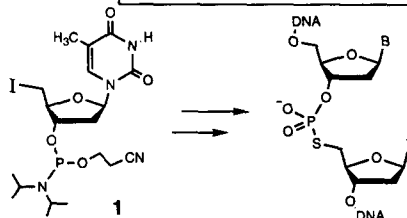
**Reaction.** Geraldine C.B. Harriman, LeukoSite, Inc., 215 First Street, Cambridge, MA 02142

A series of small and medium sized lactams were synthesized through the use of tethered keto-acids in an "intramolecular" multicomponent Ugi type reaction. This chemistry afforded five-, six-, seven- and eight-membered lactams in good yields.

**A Novel 5'-Iodonucleoside Allows Efficient Nonenzymatic Ligation of Single-Stranded and Duplex DNAs**

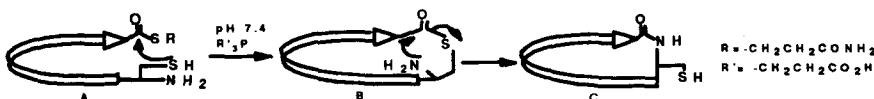
Yanzheng Xu, Eric T. Kool\*  
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A new iodothymidine phosphoramidite (**1**) enables the placement of a 5'-iodide into oligonucleotides; the iodide is stable to ammonia deprotection and allows facile nonenzymatic ligations of DNA.

**SYNTHESIS OF LARGE CYCLIC CYSTINE-KNOT PEPTIDE BY ORTHOGONAL COUPLING STRATEGY USING UNPROTECTED PEPTIDE PRECURSOR.**

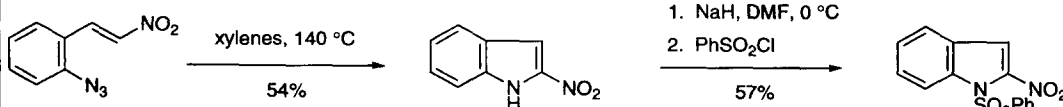
James P. Tam and Yi-An Lu, Department of Microbiology and Immunology, Vanderbilt University, A-5119 MCN, Nashville, TN 37232-2363, USA

End-to-end cyclization to form cyclic peptides was achieved between the thiol at  $\alpha$ -amine terminus and the  $\alpha$ -acyl thioester, then S, N acyl migration.

**SYNTHESIS OF 2-NITROINDOLES VIA THE SUNDBERG INDOLE SYNTHESIS**

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A general synthesis of 2-nitroindoles has been developed utilizing the thermolysis of  $\beta$ -nitro-*o*-azidonitrostyrenes as the key step.



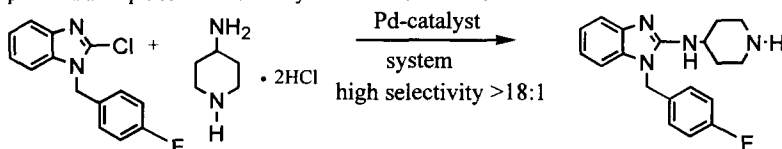
**Palladium Catalyzed Amination of 2-Chloro-1,3-Azole Derivatives:  
Mild Entry to Potent H<sub>1</sub>- Antihistaminic Norastemizole**

*Tetrahedron Letters*, 1997, 38, 5607

Yaping Hong, Gerald J. Tanoury, H. Scott Wilkinson, Roger P. Bakale,  
Stephen A. Wald and Chris H. Senanayake\*

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Palladium-catalyzed selective amination of 4-fluorobenzyl-2-chlorobenzimidazole with 4-aminopiperidine provided a simple solution for the synthesis of norastemizole.



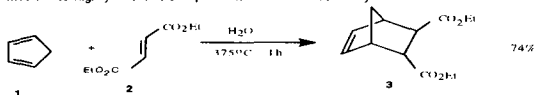
**Diels-Alder Reactions Using Supercritical Water  
As An Aqueous Solvent Medium.**

*Tetrahedron Letters*, 1997, 38, 5611

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Diels-Alder reactions have been performed in supercritical water as the reaction medium with medium to high yields of clean products without added catalysts.

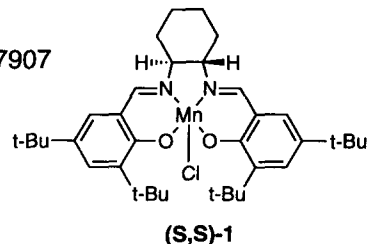
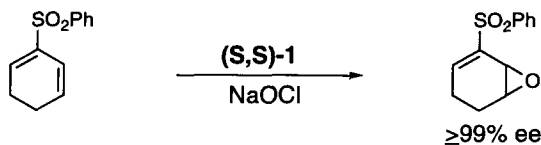


**SCOPE AND LIMITATIONS IN THE JACOBSEN  
EPOXIDATION OF DIENYL SULFONES.**

*Tetrahedron Letters*, 1997, 38, 5615

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**SYNTHESIS OF OPTICALLY PURE EPIBATIDINE ANALOGS:**

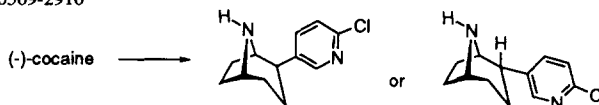
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(1*R*, 2*R*, 5*S*)-2 $\beta$ -(2-CHLORO-5-PYRIDINYL)-8-AZABICYCLO-

[3.2.1]OCTANE AND (1*R*, 2*S*, 5*S*)-2 $\alpha$ -(2-CHLORO-5-PYRIDINYL)-8-AZABICYCLO[3.2.1]OCTANE

FROM (-)-COCAINE. Chunming Zhang<sup>†</sup>, Laszlo Gyermek<sup>‡</sup> and Mark L. Trudell<sup>\*†</sup>, <sup>†</sup>Department of Chemistry,

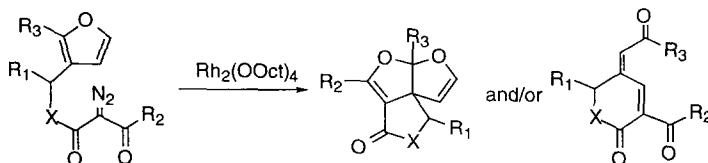
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**EFFECT OF TETHER POSITION ON THE INTRAMOLECULAR REACTION BETWEEN RHODIUM STABILIZED CARBENOIDS AND FURANS**

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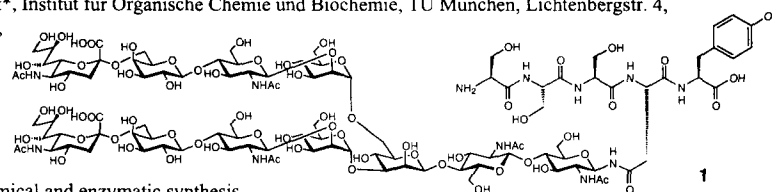
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**Building Blocks for Glycoproteins: Synthesis of the Ribonuclease B Fragment 21-25 containing an Undecasaccharide N-Glycan**

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The sialylated glycoprotein fragment **1** was obtained by chemical and enzymatic synthesis

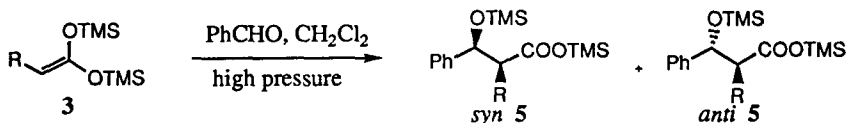


**HIGH PRESSURE INDUCED MUKAIYAMA TYPE ALDOL REACTION OF BIS TRIMETHYLSILYL KETENE ACETALS**

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Under high pressure conditions, the Mukaiyama type aldol reaction of **3** afforded preferentially *syn* silyl aldols **5**.

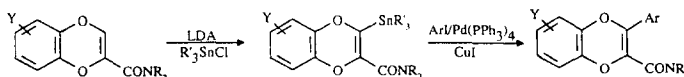


**Synthesis of 3-Arylbenzo[1,4]dioxin-2-carboxamides by Palladium-Catalysed Coupling of Vinylstannanes with Aryl Halides**

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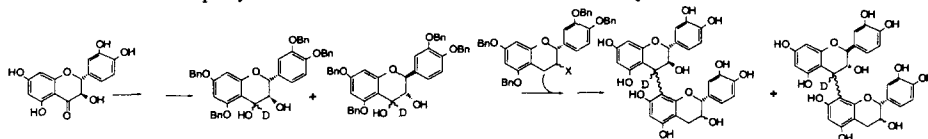


## DEUTERIUM LABELED PROCYANIDIN SYNTHESSES

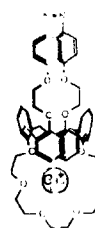
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Deuteriated enantiomers of benzylated glycol, synthesised from (+)-taxifoliol, were condensed with benzylated (+)-catechin or (-)-epicatechin to afford deuteriated procyanidin B3 or B4 with their diastereomers, after deprotection.

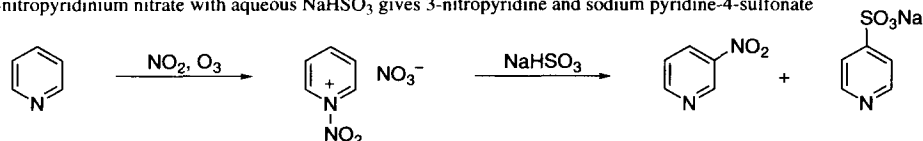


## AN AZOBENZENE 1,3-ALTERNATE CALIX[4]-BIS-CROWN AND ITS

1:1 COMPLEX WITH CESIUM. Mohamed Saadioui,<sup>a</sup> Zouhair Asfari,<sup>a</sup> Pierre Thuéry,<sup>b</sup> Martine Nierlich,<sup>b</sup> Jacques Vicens,<sup>a\*</sup> (a) E.C.P.M., Laboratoire de Chimie des Interactions Moléculaires Spécifiques, associé au C.N.R.S. 1, rue Blaise Pascal, F-67008, Strasbourg, France (b) CEA/Saclay, SCM associé au C.N.R.S. Bât. 125, F-91191, Gif-sur-Yvette, France.The preparation of azocalix[4]-bis-crown 1 combining one polyether crown-6 and one azobenzene modified crown-4 O-attached on each side of a calix[4]arene in the 1,3-alternate conformation is reported. The X-ray structures of 1 and of the 1:1 complex 1·CsNO<sub>3</sub> as solvates with nitromethane are also presented.

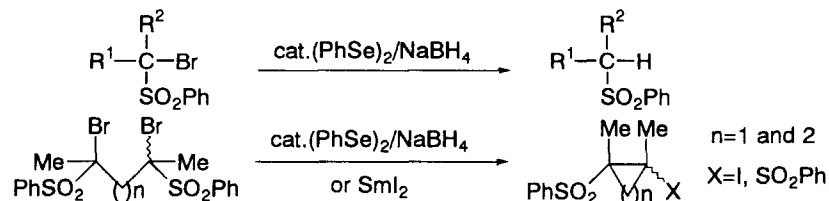
## C-NITRATION OF PYRIDINE BY THE KYODAI-NITRATION MODIFIED BY THE BAKKE PROCEDURE. A SIMPLE ROUTE TO 3-NITROPYRIDINE AND MECHANISTIC ASPECT OF ITS FORMATION

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Treatment of *N*-nitropyridinium nitrate with aqueous NaHSO<sub>3</sub> gives 3-nitropyridine and sodium pyridine-4-sulfonateA SIMPLE REDUCTION OF  $\alpha$ -BROMOSULFONES BY  $\text{cat.}(\text{PhSe})_2/\text{NaBH}_4$ .

Mitsuhiro Yoshimatsu,\* Megumi Ohara

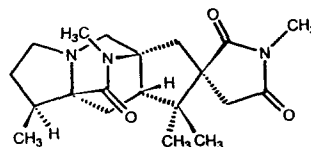
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**ASPERPARALINE A, A NEW PARALYTIC ALKALOID FROM  
*ASPERGILLUS JAPONICUS* JV-23.**

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A new paralytic alkaloid, asperparaline A, has been isolated from *Aspergillus japonicus* JV-23 and its structure was elucidated from NMR and X-ray crystallography data.

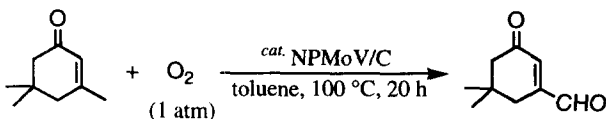


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**Selective Aerobic Oxidation of Isophorone Catalyzed by  
Molybdovanadophosphate Supported on Carbon (NPMoV/C)**

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Isophorone is oxidized with O<sub>2</sub> by NPMoV/C to produce selectively 3-formyl-5,5-dimethyl-2-cyclohexen-1-one rather than 3,5,5-trimethyl-2-cyclohexene-1,4-dione resulting from the conventional oxidations.

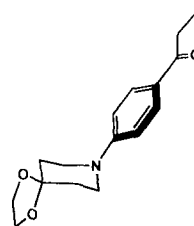


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**N-ARYLPIPERIDINE WITH AXIAL N-ARYL BOND.  
CONFORMATIONAL VARIATION IN CRYSTALS.**

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N-arylpiperidine can adopt the axial N-aryl conformation due to intermolecular interaction in crystals.

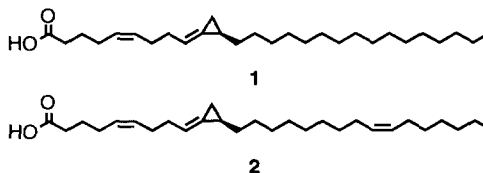


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**AMPHIMIC ACIDS, NOVEL UNSATURATED C28  
FATTY ACIDS AS DNA TOPOISOMERASE I INHIBITORS  
FROM AN AUSTRALIAN SPONGE *AMPHIMEDON* SP.**

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The structures and absolute configuration of the title compounds, amphimic acids A (1) and B (2), were determined by spectroscopic analysis, chemical degradation, and an enantioselective total synthesis of 1.



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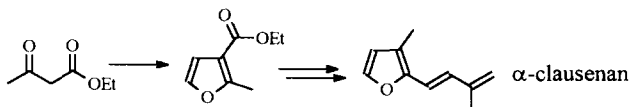
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**FACILE STRATEGY TO 3-ACYLFURANS BY SILVER(I)/CELITE  
MEDIATED CYCLOADDITION OF 1,3-DICARBONYL COMPOUNDS  
TO VINYL SULFIDES. FIRST TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF  $\alpha$ -CLAUSENAN**

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A new method for preparation of 3-acylfurans has been applied to the total synthesis of  $\alpha$ -clausenan.



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**Gymnastatins, Novel Cytotoxic Metabolites Produced**

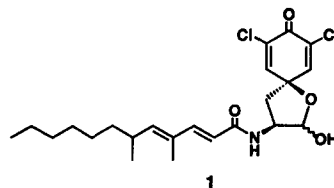
**by a Fungal Strain from a Sponge**

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and Institute for Fermentation, Osaka, Yodogawa-ku, Osaka 532, JAPAN<sup>o</sup>

Gymnastatins A (1) - C with significant cytotoxicity against tumour cells have been produced by a strain of *Gymnasella dankaliensis* from the sponge *Halichondria japonica*. Their partial stereostructures have been established on the basis of spectral analyses.



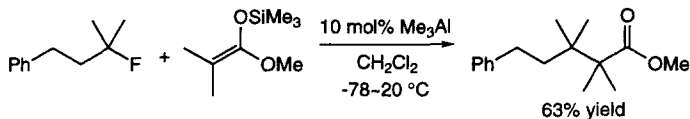
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**ORGANOALUMINUM-CATALYZED NEW ALKYLATION OF *tert*-ALKYL  
FLUORIDES: SYNTHETIC UTILITY OF Al-F INTERACTION**

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*tert*-Alkyl fluorides have been revisited as promising alkylation agents based on the activation of fluorine as a leaving group by organoaluminums through the eminent Al-F interaction.



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**ABSOLUTE CONFIGURATION OF NORZOANTHAMINE, A PROMISING  
CANDIDATE FOR AN OSTEOPOROTIC DRUG**

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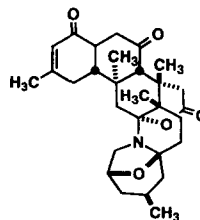
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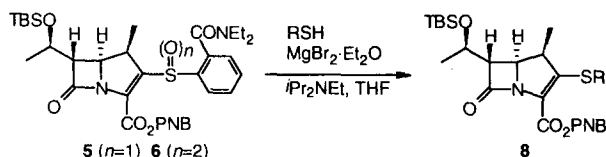
The absolute configuration of norzoanthamine (1) was determined to be 2*R*, 4*S*, 6*S*, 9*S*, 10*R*, 12*S*, 13*R*, 18*S*, 21*S*, and 22*S* based on <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data of the MTPA ester of norzoanthamine derivatives. The new biogenetic pathway of zoanthamines was proposed.



**SIDE CHAIN SUBSTITUTION REACTION OF 2-ARYLSULFINYL AND 2-ARYLSULFONYL INTERMEDIATES FOR 1 $\beta$ -METHYLCARBAPENEMS**

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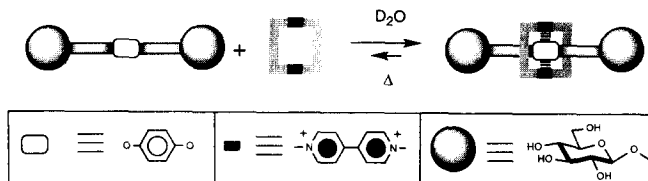
Sulfoxide (5) and sulfone (6) yielded the precursors (8) of 1 $\beta$ -methylcarbapenems by MgBr<sub>2</sub>·Et<sub>2</sub>O mediated C-2 side chain substitution reaction with functionalized mercaptans.



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**SELF-ASSEMBLY OF A WATER-SOLUBLE [2]ROTAXANE WITH CARBOHYDRATE STOPPERS.** Peter R. Ashton, Simon R.L. Everitt, Marcos Gómez-López, Narayanaswamy Jayaraman, and J. Fraser Stoddart  
School of Chemistry, University of Birmingham, Edgbaston, Birmingham B15 2TT, UK.

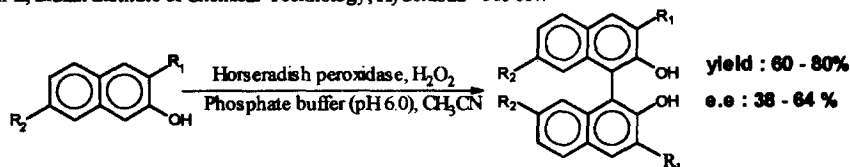
A [2]rotaxane self-assembles spontaneously in D<sub>2</sub>O when a dumbbell-shaped component incorporating a hydroquinone ring and terminated by glucose residues is mixed with cyclobis(paraquat-*p*-phenylene) tetrachloride.



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**NOVEL HORSE RADISH PEROXIDASE CATALYSED ENANTIOSELECTIVE OXIDATION OF 2-NAPHTHOLS TO 1,1'-BINAPHTHYL-2,2'-DIOLS**

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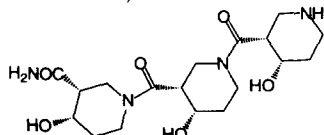


Enantioselective oxidation of 2-naphthols to 1,1'-binaphthyl-2,2'-diols catalysed by horseradish peroxidase is described.

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**COMBINATORIAL CHEMISTRY OF PIPERIDINE**

**BASED CARBOHYDRATE MIMICS.** Elizabeth Byrgesen,<sup>a</sup> John Nielsen,<sup>\*\*</sup> Marianne Willert<sup>b</sup> and Mikael Bols<sup>b\*</sup> a) Department of Organic Chemistry, The Technical University of Denmark, DK-2800 Lyngby, Denmark b) Department of Chemistry, University of Aarhus, DK-8000 Aarhus, Denmark



Solid-phase combinatorial synthesis of a new type of trisaccharide mimetics is reported.

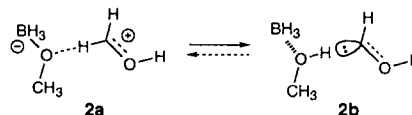
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**IS A HYDROGEN-BONDED CARBENE AN INTERMEDIATE IN THE ORGANOALUMINUM-INDUCED RING OPENING OF PYRANOSIDES?**

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Quantum chemical computations on a model system, **2**, indicate that a strongly hydrogen-bonded, tautomeric intermediate may be a selectivity promoting factor in the alkyl transfer step of the title reaction.

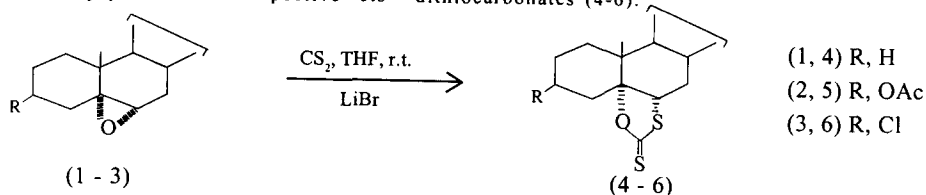


**SYNTHESIS OF 1,3-OXATHIOLANE-2-THIONES BY THE REACTION OF STEROIDAL OXIRANES WITH CARBON DISULFIDE**

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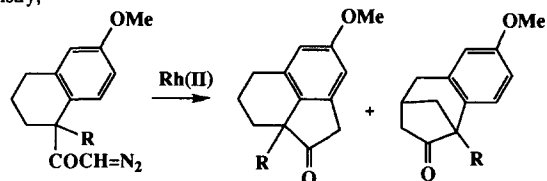
The reaction of steroidal **5a**, **6a** - epoxides (1-3) with CS<sub>2</sub> in THF at r.t. in presence of Li Br selectively provides the respective *cis* - dithiocarbonates<sup>2</sup> (4-6).



**REGIOCONTROL IN THE RHODIUM (II) CATALYSED REACTIONS OF 1,2,3,4-TETRAHYDRO-1-NAPHTHYL DIAZOMETHYL KETONES: POTENTIAL APPLICATIONS TO THE SYNTHESIS OF GALBULIMIMA ALKALOIDS.**

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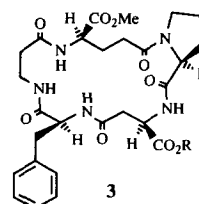
The selectivity of diazoketone derived rhodium-carbenoid insertions into aromatic and aliphatic C-H bonds has been shown to be sensitive to the total steric environment of the participating groups and may be controlled by varying the steric bulk of the ligands on rhodium.



**COMPARISON OF SOLUTION-PHASE AND SOLID-PHASE SYNTHESIS OF A RESTRAINED PROLINE-CONTAINING ANALOGUE OF THE NODULARIN MACROCYCLE.**

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Solution-phase, solid-phase and mixed solid/ solution-phase syntheses of (2*S*)-proline-containing Nodularin type macrocycles (**3**, R = H, Me, Wang resin) are described.

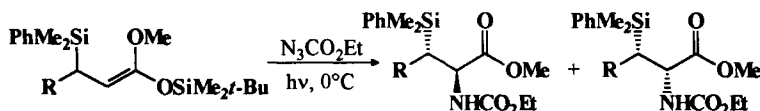


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**AMINATION OF CHIRAL  $\beta$ -SILYLATED SILYL KETENE  
ACETALS BY (ETHOXYCARBONYL)NITRENE.**

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The prevailing attack of (ethoxycarbonyl)nitrene is always *anti* to the  $\beta$ -silyl group. Diastereoselectivity decreases with the increase of the steric bulk of R.



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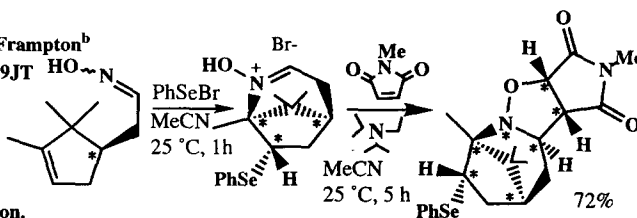
**SPIRO- AND BRIDGED-RING FORMING ELECTROPHILE INDUCED  
OXIME->NITRONE->CYCLOADDITION CASCADES. MULTIPLICATION  
OF CHIRALITY**

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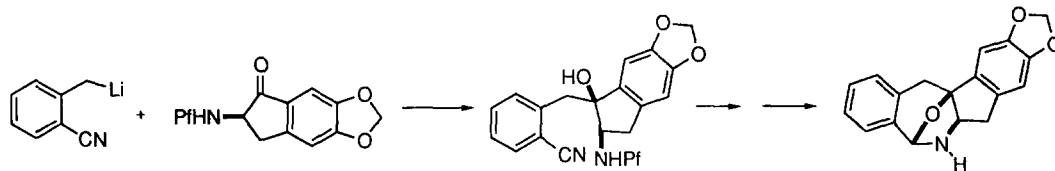
PhSeBr induced cyclisation of oximes onto proximate  
alkenes allows efficient construction of spiro- and  
bridged-ring nitrones and their subsequent cycloaddition.



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**STEREOCONTROLLED SYNTHESIS OF  
( $\pm$ )-9,10-DIDEOXYNORRIBASINE.**

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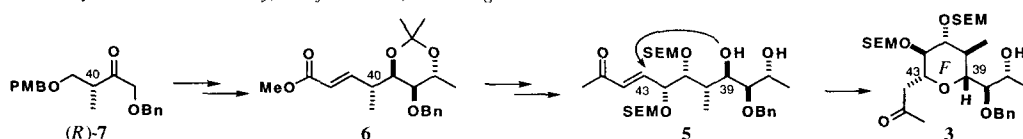


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**STUDIES IN MARINE MACROLIDE SYNTHESIS:  
STEREOCONTROLLED SYNTHESIS OF THE F-RING  
SUBUNIT OF SPONGISTATIN 1 (ALTOHYRTIN A).**

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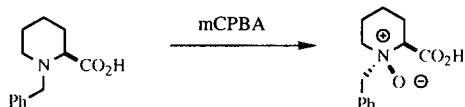


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**THE HIGHLY STEREOSELECTIVE FORMATION OF PIPECOLIC ACID N-OXIDE AND RELATED DERIVATIVES**

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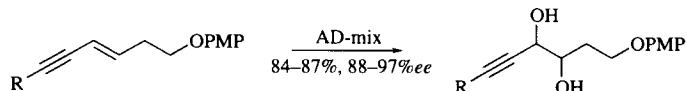


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**ASYMMETRIC DIHYDROXYLATION OF HOMOALLYLIC ENYNOLS**

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**TRANSITION METAL CATALYSED ALKYLATION OF PYRIDINES AND INDOLES**

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Heating 3- or 4- acetyl pyridine with alkenes in the presence of 5-10mol% of  $\text{RuH}_2\text{CO}(\text{PPh}_3)_3$  afforded the mono- or the mixture of mono- and di-alkylated products in good yield. Alkylation of acetylindole derivatives was also achieved efficiently.

