

## Graphical abstracts

**Structural revision of halipeptins: synthesis of the thiazoline unit and isolation of halipeptin C**

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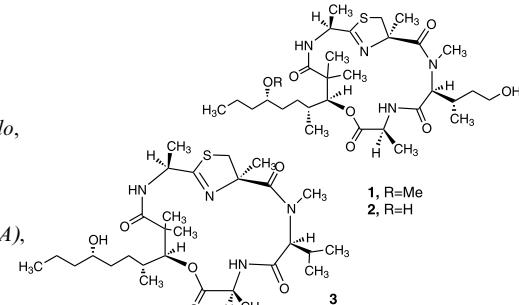
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The structural revision of the anti-inflammatory marine metabolites halipeptin A (**1**) and B (**2**) along with the isolation of the new related product halipeptin C (**3**) are reported.

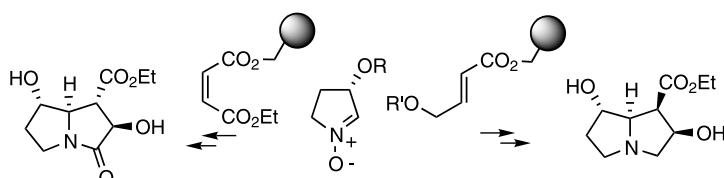


**Solid-phase access to polyhydroxypyrrrolizidines by 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition of (S)-3-alkoxypyrroline N-oxide to maleate and crotonate derivatives**

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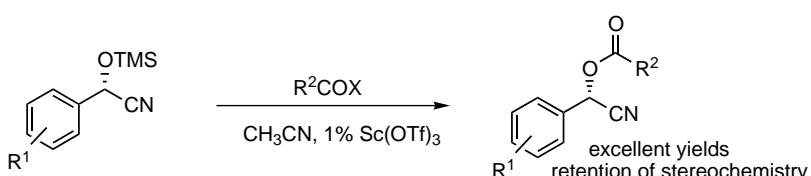


**A one-pot esterification of chiral *O*-trimethylsilyl-cyanohydrins with retention of stereochemistry**

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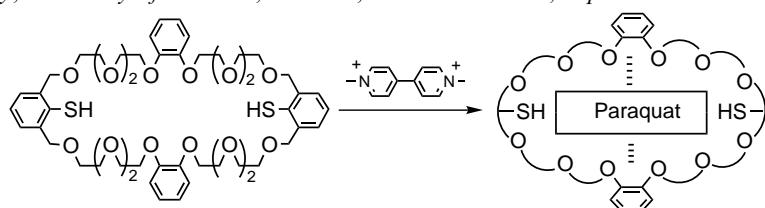


**Control of binding affinity to paraquat by novel macrocyclic systems responding to redox reactions**

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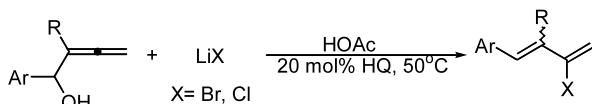
*Charge-Transfer Interaction*

**Unexpected S<sub>N</sub>2'-type addition–elimination reactions of 1-aryl-2,3-allenols with LiX. Synthesis and synthetic application of 1-aryl-3-halo-1,3-dienes**

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Shengming Ma\* and Guangwei Wang

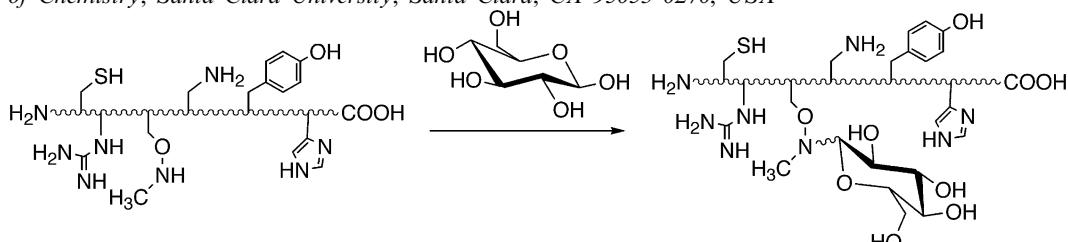
State Key Laboratory of Organometallic Chemistry, Shanghai Institute of Organic Chemistry, Chinese Academy of Sciences, 354 Fenglin Lu, Shanghai 200032, PR China



**Synthesis of neoglycopeptides by chemoselective reaction of carbohydrates with peptides containing a novel N'-methyl-aminoxy amino acid**

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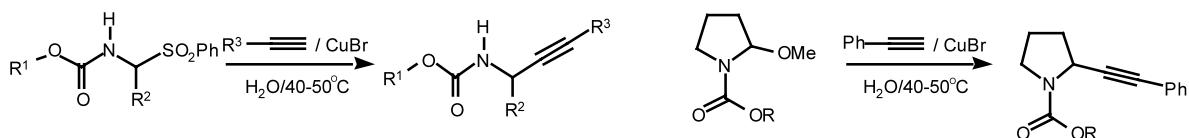


**Cu(I)Br mediated coupling of alkynes with N-acylimine and N-acyliminium ions in water**

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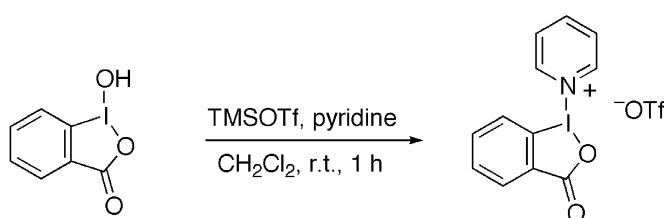
**Complexes of hypervalent iodine compounds with nitrogen ligands**

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The preparation of stable 1:1 complexes of benziodoxole and iodylbenzene with heterocyclic amines is reported.



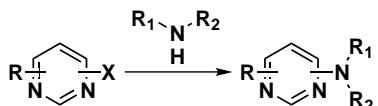
## Microwave-assisted synthesis of aminopyrimidines

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Series of mono- or di-substituted aminopyrimidine derivatives were synthesized through microwave-assisted aromatic nucleophilic substitution or Suzuki coupling.



## Synthesis of ( $\pm$ )-mispyric acid, a triterpene inhibitor of DNA polymerase $\beta$ isolated from *Mischocarpus pyriformis*

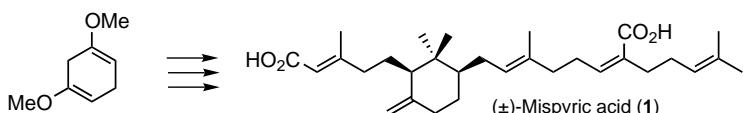
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## A new synthetic method for rotaxanes via tandem Claisen rearrangement, diesterification, and aminolysis

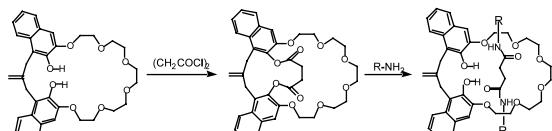
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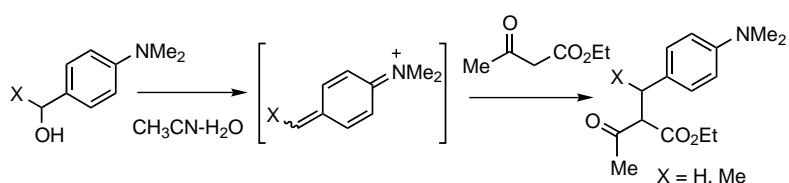


## Nucleophilic substitution on 4-hydroxymethylanilines under ‘neutral’ conditions via aza quinone methide intermediate

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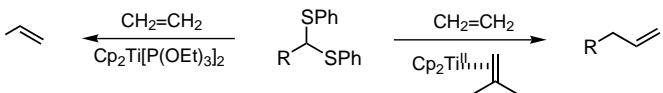
**Titanocene(II)-promoted reactions of thioacetals with ethylene: selective formation of terminal olefins with one- or two-carbon homologation**

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Titanocene(II)-promoted reaction of thioacetals with ethylene selectively affords terminal olefins with one- or two-carbon homologation depending on the ligand of the titanocene(II) species.



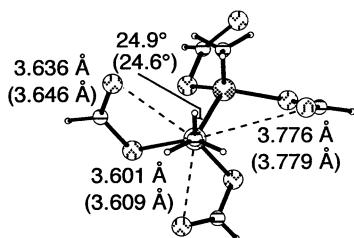
**Hypercoordination to a saturated carbon atom**

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Yuji Naruse,<sup>a</sup> Satoshi Inagaki,<sup>a,\*</sup> Naokazu Kano,<sup>b</sup> Norikiyo Nakagawa<sup>b</sup> and Takayuki Kawashima<sup>b,\*</sup>

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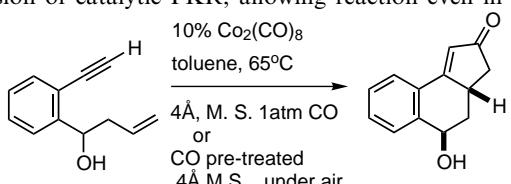
**New protocol for the catalytic Pauson–Khand reaction induced by molecular sieves**

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Molecular sieves improve conversion of catalytic PKR, allowing reaction even in air atmosphere.

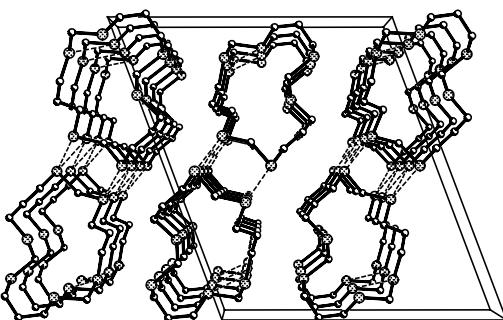


**Self-organization of cyclic selenaethers to yield columnar structures**

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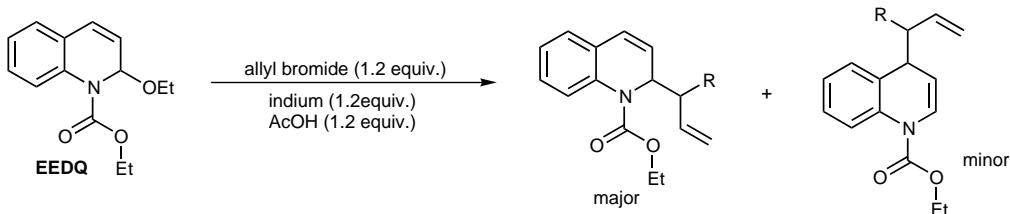


**Syntheses of allyldihydroquinolines: indium-mediated allylations of EEDQ in the presence of acetic acid**

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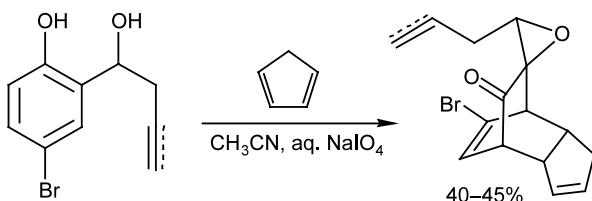
**Cycloaddition of substituted spiroepoxycyclohexa-2,4-dienones: synthesis and X-ray crystal structure of the adducts**

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Vishwakarma Singh,<sup>a,\*</sup> Dilip K. Tosh,<sup>a</sup> Vinayak V. Kane,<sup>b,\*</sup> Ludger Ernst<sup>b</sup> and Peter G. Jones<sup>b</sup>

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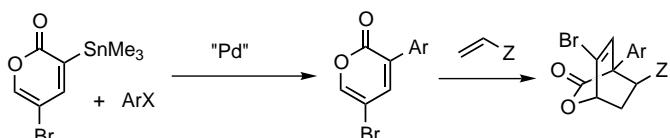
**Stille couplings of 3-(trimethylstannyl)-5-bromo-2-pyrone for the syntheses of 3-aryl-5-bromo-2-pyrones and their ambident dienyl characters**

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**New methoxylated aryltetrahydronaphthalene lignans and a norlignan from *Aglaia cordata***

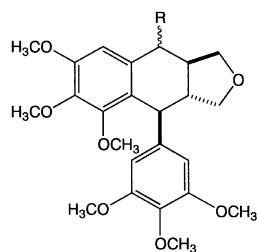
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Bin-Gui Wang,<sup>a</sup> Rainer Ebel,<sup>a</sup> Chang-Yun Wang,<sup>a</sup> Victor Wray<sup>b</sup> and Peter Proksch<sup>a,\*</sup>

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Four novel lignans, namely aglacins E–H, all of which contain two unusual contiguous trimethoxylated phenyl systems, were identified from *Aglaia cordata*.



1 aglacin E: R =  $\alpha$ -OH

2 aglacin F: R =  $\beta$ -OH

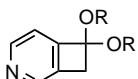
**First [2+2]-cycloaddition of a 3,4-didehydropyridine and a ketene dialkyl acetal**

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The first [2+2] cycloaddition of a 3,4-didehydropyridine to a ketene dialkyl acetal is reported.

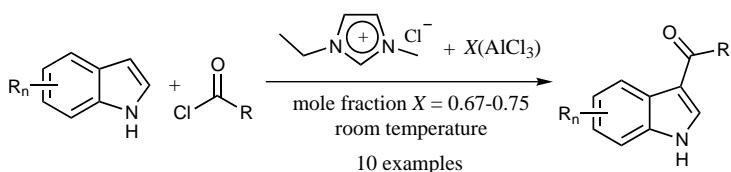


**Friedel-Crafts acylation of indoles in acidic imidazolium chloroaluminate ionic liquid at room temperature**

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Kap-Sun Yeung,\* Michelle E. Farkas, Zhilei Qiu and Zhong Yang

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**A Stevens rearrangement thwarts glycosylation with liposidomycin diazepanone ribofuranosyl donors**

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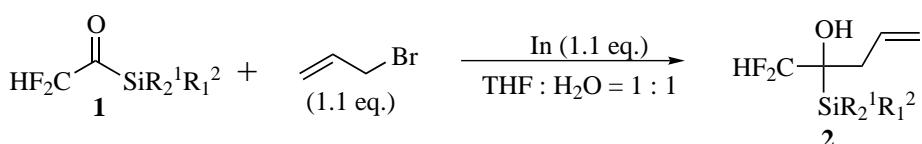


**Indium-mediated allylation reaction of difluoroacetyltrialkylsilanes in aqueous media**

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**Synthesis of chiral *trans*-*anti*-*trans*-isomers of dicyclohexano-18-crown-6 via an enzymatic reaction and the solid-state structure of one enantiomer**

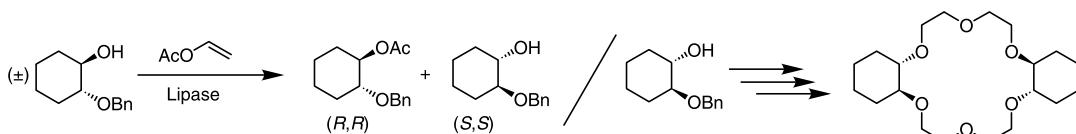
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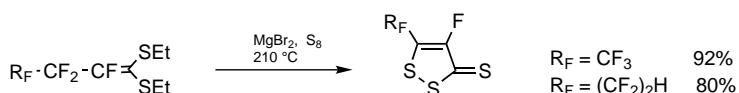
**Fluorinated ketene dithioacetals. Part 9: Synthesis and some chemical properties of new fluorinated 3*H*-1,2-dithiole-3-thiones**

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Vadim M. Timoshenko,<sup>a,b,\*</sup> Jean-Philippe Bouillon,<sup>a</sup> Yuriy G. Shermolovich<sup>b</sup> and Charles Portella<sup>a,\*</sup>

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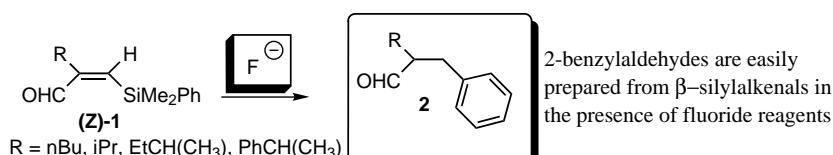


**New synthesis of  $\alpha$ -benzylaldehydes from 2-(dimethylphenylsilylmethylene)alkanals by fluoride promoted phenyl migration**

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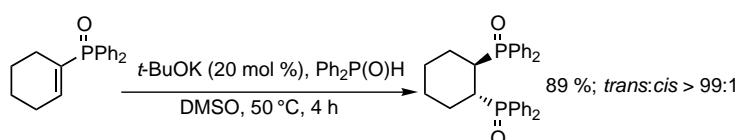


***t*-BuOK-catalyzed addition phosphines to functionalized alkenes: a convenient synthesis of polyfunctional phosphine derivatives**

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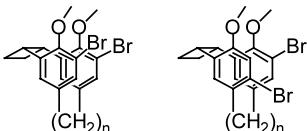
**Behavior of [2.*n*]metacyclophane-fused cyclobutane rings in bromination**

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 5821

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Dimethoxy[2.2]metacyclophane mainly gave a tetrahydropyrene structure and the other [2.*n*]metacyclophane derivatives (*n*=3–5) gave aromatic bromides like pseudo-*ipso* and/or pseudo-*ortho* dibromides in the reaction with bromine.



**First synthesis and structure of sulfur-containing heterocycles fused to ferrocene**

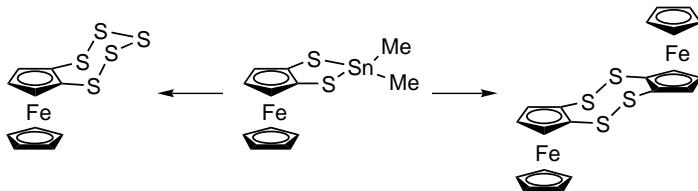
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Synthesis of a stable pentathiepin fused to a single cyclopentadienyl ring of ferrocene was performed by treatment of the corresponding dithiastannole as a synthetic equivalent of unstable ferrocene 1,2-dithiol with a sulfur source. On the other hand, deprotection of the dithiastannole gave a novel tetrathiocin comprised of two ferrocene units.



**Gymnocin-A, a cytotoxic polyether from the notorious red tide dinoflagellate, *Gymnodinium mikimotoi***

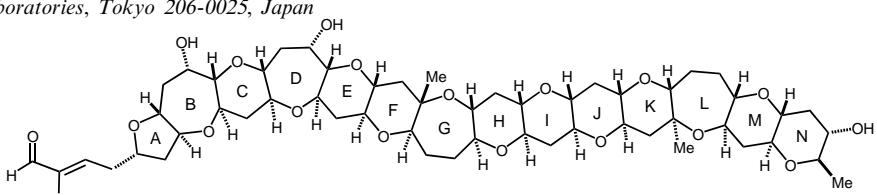
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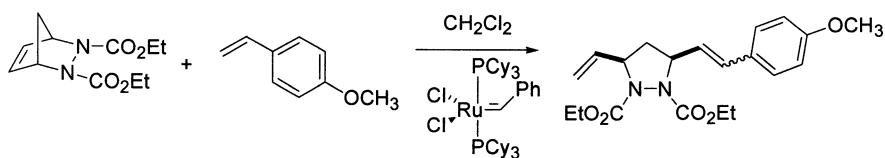


**Ring-opening cross metathesis of 1,3-cyclopentadiene-heterodienophile cycloadducts to produce cyclic hydrazines and hydroxylamines**

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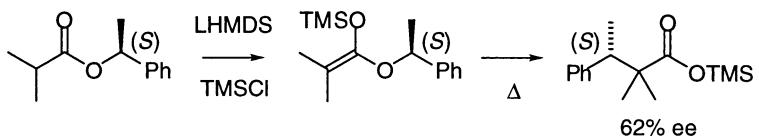


[1,3] Sigmatropic rearrangement of ketene silyl acetals derived from benzyl  $\alpha$ -substituted propanoates

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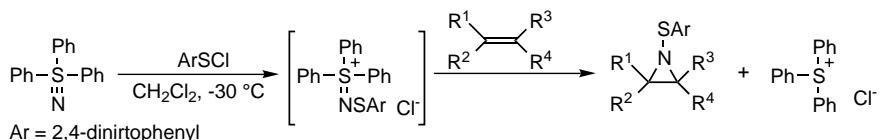


Generation of sulphenylnitrenes by *N*-sulenylation of triphenyl- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanenitrile

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 5841

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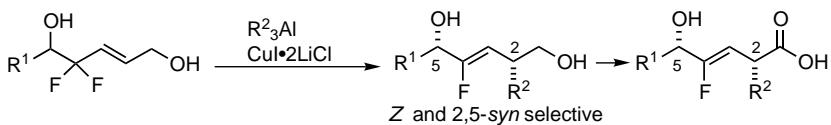
Stereoselective construction of functionalized (*Z*)-fluoroalkenes directed to depsipeptide isosteres

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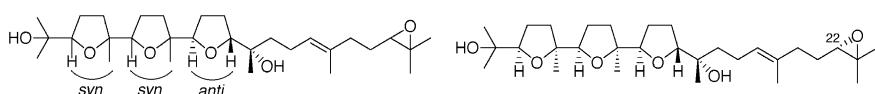
Complete assignment of the stereostructure of a new squalene-derived epoxy tri-THF diol from *Spathelia glabrescens* by total synthesis

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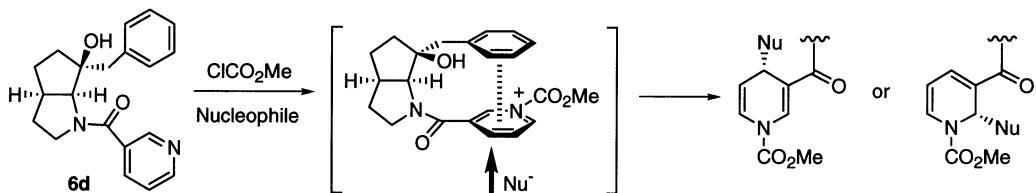


**Stereoselective synthesis of 1,2- and 1,4-dihydropyridines by using cation–π interaction as a conformation-controlling tool**

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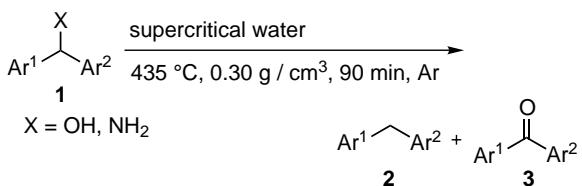


**Disproportionation of diarylmethanol derivatives by using supercritical water**

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**Synthesis of chiral oxazolidin-2-ones by 1,2-amino alcohols, carbon dioxide and electrogenerated acetonitrile anion**

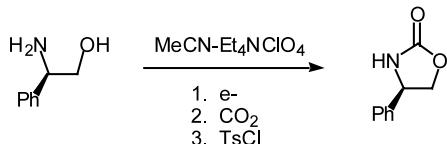
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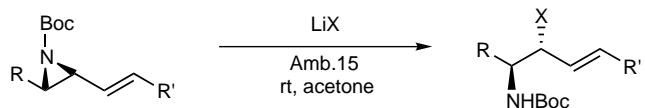
**Stereo- and regioselective ring opening of alkenyl aziridines with metal halides**

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The reaction of *N*-Boc-alkenyl aziridines with lithium halides in presence of Amberlyst 15 afforded the stereo- and regioselective ring-opened products in high yields. The subsequent treatment of the aminohalides with silica gel produced the corresponding oxazolidin-2-one derivatives.



**Stereocontrolled synthesis of [3.1.0]bicyclohexanones by cyclopropanation of enones with benzylidene sulfuranes**

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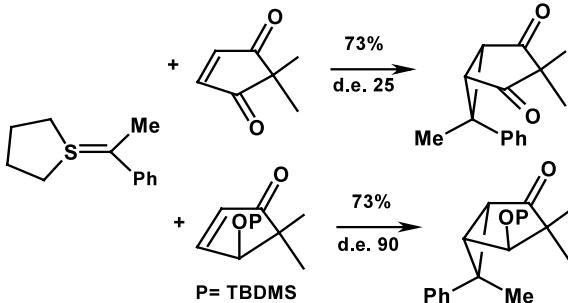
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Benzylidene sulfuranes derived from diphenyl sulfide and tetrahydrothiophene have been used for the synthesis of title compounds. The reactivity of both reagents is disclosed.



**Examining the effect of hemilabile donor groups in non- $C_2$  symmetrical terdentate ligands**

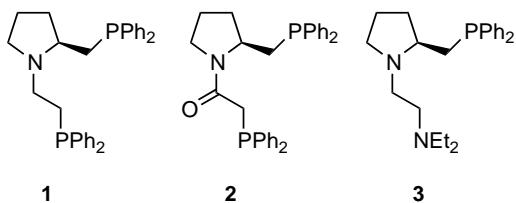
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The type and position of donor groups in proline-derived, non- $C_2$  symmetrical, terdentate ligands are found to have significant effects on the enantioselectivity of the palladium-catalysed allylic substitution reaction.



**Unexpected thermal rearrangement of *N*-alkoxycarbonyl imidazole acryl azides to imidazo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidinone or imidazo[4,5-*c*]pyridinone**

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Rearrangement of alkoxy carbonyl imidazole acryl azides in phenyl ether at 200°C yielded imidazo[1,5-*c*]pyrimidinone or imidazo[4,5-*c*]pyridinone derivatives, depending on the size of the alkoxy substituent.

