#### Ru-Catalyzed cycloisomerization of $\delta$ -enallenes to form cyclic 1,3-dienes or 1,4-dienes

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$$X$$
  $Y$   $\frac{\text{RuClH(CO)(PPh_3)_3(cat.)}}{\text{toluene, reflux}}$   $X$   $Y$  or  $X$ 

X = NTs, O,  $C(CO_2Et)_2$ , NtBOC, etc.

#### $Y = H, CO_2Et$

### Synthesis of oligo(2-ethynylpyridines): novel building blocks for supramolecular systems

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1a-i: x = 1, 2, 3 or 4, R = Me, TBDMS or (L)-menthyl

## Smooth and selective formation of the cyclic $1,N^2$ -propano adducts in the reactions of guanine nucleosides and nucleotides with acetaldehyde

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6701

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The treatment of guanosines with excess acetaldehyde in pH 8.0 buffer containing a basic amino acid resulted in the smooth and selective formation of the corresponding cyclic  $1,N^2$ -propano adducts even under mild conditions.

### A novel approach to the stereoselective semi-synthesis of GM-237354 by employing a highly $\beta$ -selective glycosylation

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6705

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Synthesis of GM-237354 (1), a potent inhibitor of fungal elongation factor 2, was achieved starting from sordaricin using a highly stereoselective glycosylation reaction as a key step. Glycosylation utilizing 2-deoxy-2-iodo-glycopyranosyl acetate 6a gave glycoside 8 as a single product, and 8 was easily converted into 1.

### In-situ generation of Et<sub>3</sub>SiBr from BiBr<sub>3</sub> and Et<sub>3</sub>SiH and its use in preparation of dialkyl ethers

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6709

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### Tandem reaction by using compatible catalysts: cross-metathesis reaction and hydrogenation

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6715

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## Formation of novel tetrahydroisoquinoline retinoids by Pictet-Spengler reaction of dopamine and retinaldehyde under conditions of relevance to biological environments

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6719

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### Synthesis of a dendron and dendrimer consisting of MALDI matrix like branching units

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6723

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Design and synthesis of a novel dendron and dendrimer with potential application in MALDI mass spectrometry is described.

### (1-Benzimidazolonyl)alanine (Bia): preliminary investigations into a potential tryptophan mimetic

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6729

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(1-Benzimidazolonyl)alanine

### Novel, base-promoted reaction of N-alkoxycarbonyl-O-(halosubstituted 4-nitrophenyl)hydroxylamines

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Base-promoted reactions of *N*-alkoxycarbonyl-*O*-(nitrophenyl)hydroxylamines which contain a halogen substituent on the aromatic ring are described. This reaction is promoted using carbonate or bicarbonate base and provides *N*-alkoxycarbonyl-*N*-hydroxyanilines. A crossover experiment showed some scrambling, suggesting the reaction can be inter- and intramolecular. *N*-Boc-(2,6-di-Cl-4-NO<sub>2</sub>-phenyl)-hydroxylamine was found to *N*-Boc aminate Bn<sub>2</sub>NH to form the protected hydrazine.

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#### A new and efficient synthesis of (-)-indolizidine 167B by tandem metathesis

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An enantioselective synthesis of the natural alkaloid (–)-indolizidine 167B via a ruthenium-catalysed tandem ring-rearrangement metathesis (RRM) is described.

$$\begin{array}{c}
H \\
\hline
N \\
nPr
\end{array}$$

Indolizidine 167B

### Amine-catalyzed direct self Diels-Alder reactions of $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketones in water: synthesis of pro-chiral cyclohexanones

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6743

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#### Reductive decyanation of pyrazinecarbonitriles

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6747

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#### Stereoselective total synthesis of (±)-homochelidonine

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6751

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Stereoselective total synthesis of (±)-homochelidonine using the same key intermediate for chelerythrine was described.

# 1,2-Dioxo-3-isopropyloxy-4-methyl-3-cyclobutene as a nucleophilic synthon. Synthesis of Sq-containing cinnamic acid derivatives

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6755

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#### Self-assembly of a tetrapeptide in which a unique supramolecular helical structure is formed via intermolecular hydrogen bonding in the solid state

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6759

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### Selective enzymatic epoxidation of dienes: generation of functional enantiomerically enriched diene monoepoxy monomers

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Oxidases from *Pseudomonas putida* and chloroperoxidase from *Caldariomyces fumago* have been used for highly enantioselective syntheses of diene monoepoxides, useful precursors for the preparation of chiral polymeric materials.

### The first synthesis and X-ray crystal structure of tetrahydropyrrolo[2,3-d]azocines

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Tetrahydropyrrolo[3,2-c]pyridines upon reaction with DMAD in acetonitrile or DMSO at rt underwent ring expansion, affording tetrahydropyrrolo[2,3-d]azocines.

R<sup>1</sup>=Me, Bn; R<sup>2</sup>=Me,H;X=CHO, COCF<sub>3</sub>, CH=C(CN)<sub>2</sub> E= COOMe

### Stereocontrol of 5-endo-trig cyclisations by hydroxyl groups: a formal short synthesis of (+)-muscarine

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Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6767

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A short enantioselective synthesis of (+)-muscarine is described in which the key step features a 5-endo-trig iodocyclisation of the anti-(Z)-isomer shown.

## Synthesis, structure, and thermolysis of a novel spirotellurane bearing two 1,2-oxatelluretane rings, 1,5-dioxa- $4\lambda^4$ -telluraspiro-[3.3]heptane: oxirane and olefin formation reactions

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6775

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#### Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6779

### Synthesis of enediyne model compounds possessing a cyanohydrin moiety as a triggering device

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Enediyne model compounds which produce dehydrotoluene diradicals possessing a highly radical character via enyne-allenylketone intermediates were developed.

### New polydentate and polynucleating *N*-donor ligands from amines and 2,4,6-trichloro-1,3,5-triazine

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6783

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Four 1,3,5-triazine-containing multidentate polynucleating N-ligands have been prepared in high yields using a straightforward and versatile synthetic method.

#### A novel method for the synthesis of vicinal disulfonamides promoted by metallic samarium in aqueous media

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6787

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A new method to synthesize vicinal disulfonamides by reductive coupling of N-sulfonylimines in Sm/HCl/THF has been developed.

See /IJCl/THF Ar<sup>1</sup>SO<sub>2</sub>HN NHSO<sub>2</sub>Ar<sup>1</sup>

$$Ar^{1}SO_{2}N = CHAr^{2} \xrightarrow{Sm/HCl/THF} \xrightarrow{Ar^{1}SO_{2}HN} \xrightarrow{NHSO_{2}Ar^{1}}$$

$$Ar^{2} \xrightarrow{Ar^{2}} \xrightarrow{Ar^{2}}$$

2 (dl/meso)

### Palladium(II)-catalyzed coupling reactions of alkynes and allylic compounds initiated by intramolecular carbopalladation of alkynes

1

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6791

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#### Microwave-induced, Montmorillonite K10-catalyzed Ferrier rearrangement of tri-O-acetyl-D-galactal: mild, eco-friendly, rapid glycosidation with allylic rearrangement

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6795

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$$\begin{array}{c|c}
AcO & AcO \\
AcO & AcO \\
OAC & + ROH & Mont. K_{10} \\
\hline
PhCl & MWI*
\end{array}$$

#### Novel diterpenes with potent conidiation inducing activity

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6799

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Conidiogenol 1 and conidiogenone 2 are potent and selective inducers of conidiogenesis in *Penicillium cyclopium* in liquid culture.

#### Rhodium-catalyzed asymmetric hydrogenation with aminophosphine ligands derived from 1,1'-binaphthyl-2,2'-diamine

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6803

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CO<sub>2</sub>R" NHCOR"

Ligand

Rh-Ligand, RT MeOH, S/C = 500, 50psi, 10min

R NHCOR"

CO<sub>2</sub>R"

up to 99% ee

NHPR<sub>2</sub> NHPR<sub>2</sub>

R= 3,5-dimethylphenyl

#### Electrochemical reductive allylation of N-benzylideneethanolamine

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6807

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Electrochemical reductive allylation of N-benzylideneethanolamine by allyl bromide mediated by a Pb(II)/b(0) redox couple is reported.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH} & \begin{array}{c} \text{Cathode (+2e^-)} \\ \text{Pb(0)} \\ \text{Pb(II)} \end{array} & \begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH} \\ \text{NH} \\ \text{CH-CH}_2\text{CH=CH}_2 \\ \text{C}_6\text{H}_5 \end{array}$$

### Multiarm organic compounds for use as reversible chain-transfer agents in living radical polymerizations

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6811

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### A convenient method for conversion of the Z-isomer to the E-isomer from a mixture containing both isomers of fulgides

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6815

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$$H_3C$$
 $H_3C$ 
 $H_3C$ 

2

# Methyl 3,3-difluoro-2-trimethylsilyloxyacrylate: preparation and Mukaiyama-type aldol condensation as a novel route to $\beta,\beta$ -difluoro- $\alpha$ -keto ester derivatives

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1-E

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1-Z

OMe Ar OMe + F CO<sub>2</sub>Me Lewis Acid 
$$CH_2Cl_2$$
, 0 °C Ar F CO<sub>2</sub>Me

#### Tandem reaction of $\alpha$ -hypervalent iodo functionalized phosphonium and arsonium ylides as umpolung reagents

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6823

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 $\alpha$ -Hypervalent iodo functionalized phosphorus and arsonium ylides **2** can be used as umpolung ylides to react with nucleophiles to give  $\alpha$ -heteroatom substituted ylides **4** in good yields. A tandem sequence of nucleophilic substitution then Wittig reaction occurs smoothly to form (Z)- $\alpha$ -halo- $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated esters **6**, stereoselectively, in moderate to excellent yields.

$$Ph_{3}E = C < \frac{COOR}{IAr BF_{4}} + Nu M^{+} + \frac{R^{1}}{H}C = O$$

$$2 3 5 6$$

$$E = P, As.$$

$$Z/E = 85/15-91/9$$

#### Novel binding mode for fluorinated porphyrins: synthesis and fluorophilic affinity of stable atropoisomers of

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#### 5,10,15,20-tetrakis[2-(perfluoroacyl)aminophenyl]-21H,23H-porphyrins

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1,3 R = 
$$\left\langle -\text{NHCOC}_7 F_{15} \right\rangle$$

2 R = 
$$\sqrt{-NH-CO-CF(CF_3)-O-CF_2CF(CF_3)-OC_3F_7}$$

4 R = 
$$\sqrt{-NHCOC_7H_{15}}$$

#### Rapid generation of cis-constrained norstatine analogs using a TMSN<sub>3</sub>-modified Passerini MCC/N-capping strategy

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6833

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#### Reactive, dicationic electrophiles: electrophilic activation involving the phosphonium group

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6837

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#### Dicationic electrophilic systems: the activation of carbocations and carboxonium ions by pyridinium groups and related heterocycles

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6841

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$$C_6H_5$$
 $C_6H_6$ 
 $C_6H_6$ 
 $C_6H_6$ 
 $C_6H_5$ 
 $C_6H_5$ 

### Petasis boronic acid-Mannich reactions of substituted hydrazines: synthesis of $\alpha$ -hydrazinocarboxylic acids

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6845

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### OsO<sub>4</sub>-catalyzed dihydroxylation of olefins in ionic liquid [emim]BF<sub>4</sub>: a recoverable and reusable osmium

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6849

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Immobilized OsO<sub>4</sub> in ionic liquid can be recovered and reused with NMO·H<sub>2</sub>O for dihydroxylation of olefins.

### Intramolecular photocycloaddition of anthracene and benzene ring systems

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6853

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#### Solid-phase synthesis of 2,3,5-trisubstituted 4H-imidazolones

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A novel synthesis of 4*H*-imidazolones on Merrifield resin is presented and the formation of atropo-isomers is discussed.

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### Mild and efficient reduction of azides to amines: synthesis of fused [2,1-b]quinazolinones

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6861

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R-N<sub>3</sub> 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{FeCl}_3-\text{Nal}}$$
 R-NH<sub>2</sub>

#### Synthesis of heterocyclic compounds using radical reactions

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6865

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$$\bigcap_{\mathsf{Br}} \bigcap_{\mathsf{R}}$$

Product

(2)

#### A novel minor metabolite (taxane?) from Taxus canadensis needles

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A novel minor metabolite with an unprecedented skeleton was isolated from the needles of *Taxus canadensis*. A biogenesis from taxinine an abundant taxane is proposed. This is the first example of a taxane with a 6/6/8/6-membered ring skeleton.

#### Photoisomerization of allyl ethers: syntheses of vinyl ethers

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 6875

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CI 
$$\stackrel{\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CHCOOCH}_3}{}$$
  $\stackrel{hv}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{\text{Me OH}}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{\text{CI}}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{\text{OCH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{COOCH}_3}{}$ 

Ar = phenyls, furyls, thienyls