# Theadibenzotropolone A, a new type pigment from enzymatic oxidation of (-)-epicatechin and (-)-epigallocatechin gallate and characterized from black tea using LC/MS/MS

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A new type tea pigment, theadibenzotropolone A, together with theaflavin 3-gallate were formed by the reaction of (-)-epicatechin (EC) and (-)-epigallocatechin gallate (EGCG) with horseradish peroxidase in the presence of  $H_2O_2$ . The structure of theadibenzotropolone A was elucidated on the basis of MS and 2D NMR spectroscopic analyses. The existence of this compound in black tea was characterized by LC/ESI-MS/MS. Theadibenzotropolone A is the first theaflavin type trimer of catechins in black tea.

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### Selective lithiation of 2,3-dibromo-1-methylindole. A synthesis of 2,3-disubstituted indoles

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 $E^1 = H$ , CHO, CO<sub>2</sub>H, Me;  $E^2 = H$ , CHO

# Silica chloride in the presence of NaI is a useful system for the efficient and selective conversion of TMS, TBDMS and THP ethers into their corresponding iodides

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(1 mmol) R = TMS, TBDMS and THP

#### Copper-catalyzed amination of aryl halides: single-step synthesis

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A simple and efficient methodology for the synthesis of triarylamines in a single step has been demonstrated using ligand-free CuI catalyst and potassium tertiary butoxide as the base. Use of chelating ligands leads to the formation of triarylamine derivatives selectively (95% yield) with high catalytic activity.

of triarylamines

#### A stereoconvergent synthesis of the C(19)–C(31) fragment of scytophycin C

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#### Deprotection of silyl ethers using ZnBr<sub>2</sub> and H<sub>2</sub>O in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

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TES-, TBS- and TIPS-protected alcohols are deprotected by heating with excess  $ZnBr_2$  and water in  $CH_2Cl_2$ . TBDPS-protected alcohols and silyl-protected phenols, however, are not deprotected, allowing for selective deprotection of differentially-protected bis-silyl ethers.

OR 
$$ZnBr_2$$
,  $H_2O$  OH

 $CH_2Cl_2$  (77 - 87%)

### Synthesis of enantiopure diamine ligands related to sparteine, via scandium triflate-catalyzed imino Diels-Alder reactions

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### Anodic olefin coupling reactions involving ketene dithioacetals: evidence for a 'radical-type' cyclization

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Anodic coupling reactions between ketene dithioacetals and enol ethers show the same dependence on substituent location that is observed for radical cyclization reactions.  $R_1$   $R_2$   $R_4$ 

**1a.** R<sub>1</sub>,R<sub>2</sub>= -S(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>S-R<sub>3</sub>=OMe, R<sub>4</sub>=H

**1b.** R<sub>2</sub>=OMe, R<sub>1</sub>=H R<sub>3</sub> R<sub>4</sub>= -S(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>S- RVC anode Pt cathode 0.1 M LiClO<sub>4</sub>

0.1 M LiClO<sub>4</sub> 50% MeOH/ THF 2,6-lutidine 8 mA/ 2.2 F/mole S OMe OMe

2a. 75% (95:5 ratio)

No Cyclized Product

#### A practical synthesis of 2-amino-2'-hydroxy-1,1'-binaphthyl (NOBIN)

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### Exploration of Nicholas methodology using chiral heterobimetallic cobalt-molybdenum propargylium complexes

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#### A novel approach to β-trifluoromethyl enaminones

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 $\beta$ -Trifluoromethyl enaminones 1 were prepared in good yields from the reaction of trifluoropropynyl lithium with N-methoxy-N-methylbenzamide, followed by quenching with  $H_2O$  in the presence of a variety of amines.

# Enantioselective addition of diethylzinc to a N-diphenylphosphinoylimine employing cinchona alkaloids as chiral ligands

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Addition of diethylzinc to 1 promoted by cinchona alkaloids gave 2 in up to 93% ee.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Cinchona alkaloid,} \\ \text{Ph} & \stackrel{N}{\underset{||}{\nearrow}} \text{Ph} \\ \text{O} \\ \\ \text{1} \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Cinchona alkaloid,} \\ \text{Et}_2 \text{Zn.} \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{Ph} & \stackrel{*}{\underset{||}{\nearrow}} \text{Ph} \\ \text{Et} & \text{O} \\ \end{array}$$

#### Highly efficient oxidation of alcohols to carbonyl compounds in the presence of molecular oxygen using a novel heterogeneous ruthenium catalyst

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$$RCH_2OH \xrightarrow{O_2, Ru-Co(OH)_2-CeO_2} RCO_2H$$

### Asymmetric synthesis of novel $\beta$ -substituted $\beta$ -methoxyacrylates bearing a chiral 1,2-cis-disubstituted cyclopropane substructure

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### Radical-mediated synthesis of trifluoroethyl amines and trifluoromethyl ketones from alkyl iodides

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$$R-I + PhO_2S + CF_3 + OBn \frac{(Me_3Sn)_2}{300 \text{ nm}} + R + CF_3 + CF_3 + R + CF_3 + R + CF_3 + R + CF_3 +$$

# Diastereoselective construction of *cis* 2,6-disubstituted tetrahydropyran rings via In(OTf)<sub>3</sub>-catalyzed intramolecular 2,5-oxonium-ene cyclization: synthetic studies towards the total synthesis of zampanolide and dactylolide

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#### Instantaneous $SmI_2-H_2O$ -mediated reduction of dialkyl ketones induced by amines in THF

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The instantaneous SmI<sub>2</sub> mediated reduction of ketones is dependent on a combination of water and an amine. Rate enhancement is at least 100 000 compared to the reduction without a proton source, and at least 100 times faster than the rate of the widely used HMPA/alcohol accelerated reductions. This new and improved method is therefore suggested to be an excellent replacement for the toxic HMPA-mediated ketone reductions.

$$R^1$$
 $R^2$ 
 $Sml_2$  in THF
 $Amine/H_2O$ 
 $< 10$  seconds
 $> 99\%$ 

#### Solid phase-mediated synthesis of isonitriles

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Supported sulfonyl chlorides and microwave irradiation are an efficient combination for isonitrile synthesis.

#### Thianthrene as a source of the 1,2-benzene dianion

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 7205

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### anti Selective dihydroxylation by the ketimine derivatives of the allylic amine in monosubstituted olefins

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Ar 
$$\frac{1. \text{ cat. OsO}_4, \text{ NMO, THF}}{2. \text{ Ac}_2\text{O, DMAP, TEA}}$$

R

Ar

Ar

Ar

OAc

OAc

OAc

 $\frac{Ar}{Ar}$ 

OAc

OAc

#### Lithium and proton templated $\omega$ -polyazamacrolactamization, new general routes to macrocyclic polyamines

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A general, lithium templated/catalyzed  $\omega$ -polyazamacrolactamization method for the synthesis of macrocyclic polyamines including spermidine and spermine alkaloids is presented. The formation of 12-, 13-, 16-, 17-, and 19-membered  $N_3$ ,  $N_4$ ,  $N_5$ , and  $N_6$  containing rings is described. A proton templated/catalyzed macrolactamization of some  $\omega$ -polyazaaminoesters is also observed.

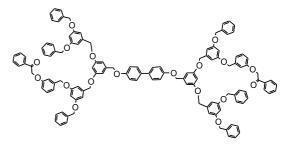
 $\bullet$  + = Li+ or H+, N<sub>4</sub>, N<sub>5</sub>, and N<sub>6</sub>

### Synthesis of difunctionalized dendrimers: an approach to main-chain poly(dendrimers)

Tetrahedron Letters 43 (2002) 7217

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### A single vessel protocol for the efficient formation of amide bonds from esters and lactones

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### Iron(II)-promoted amidoglycosylation and amidochlorination of an allal C3-azidoformate

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#### A structurally simple minimal self-replicating system

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#### A one-pot conversion of artemisinin to its ether derivatives

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A one-pot preparation of artemether, arteether and related antimalarial compounds from artemisinin, using NaBH<sub>4</sub>/Amberlyst-15, is reported.

### Synthesis of a novel dimeric bis-benzimidazole with site-selective DNA-binding properties

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#### Fluororeceptor for zwitterionic form amino acids in aqueous methanol solution

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#### Mild and general procedure for Pd/C-catalyzed hydrodechlorination of aromatic chlorides

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### Complete and truly catalytic degradation method of PCBs using Pd/C-Et<sub>3</sub>N system under ambient pressure and temperature

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$$CI_m$$
 10% Pd/C, Et<sub>3</sub>N +  $(m+n)$ Et<sub>3</sub>N•HCI

### A new entry to $\beta$ -hydroxyphosphonates: the SmI<sub>2</sub>-mediated reaction of diethyl iodomethylphosphonate with carbonyl compounds

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 $\beta$ -Hydroxyphosphonates can be prepared under neutral and mild conditions by reaction of diethyl iodomethyl phosphonate and carbonyl compounds (aldehydes and ketones) in the presence of samarium iodide.

### SmI<sub>2</sub>-mediated reactions of diethyl iodomethylphosphonate with esters and lactones: a highly stereoselective synthesis of a

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precursor of the C-glycosyl analogue of thymidine 5'-(β-L-rhamnosyl)diphosphate

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Dipartimento di Chimica Organica e Industriale, Universita' degli Studi di Milano, Via Venezian 21 20133 Milano, Italy  $\beta$ -Ketophosphonates can be conveniently prepared by reaction of diethyl iodomethylphosphonate with esters and  $SmI_2$ . The protocol has been applied to sugar lactones to afford in fairly good yields intermediates that are useful precursors for a variety of potentially bioactive compounds.

$$R = Alkyl, aryl$$

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$$R =$$

#### Synthesis of 3-oxo oxacycloalkenes by ring closing metathesis

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3-Oxo oxacycloalkenes were synthesized in good to excellent yields from 1-( $\omega$ -alkenyloxy)-but-3-en-2-ones.

#### The successive substitution of halogens in 4-chloro-6-iodoquinoline by aryl groups in cross-coupling reactions with arylboronic acids

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The conditions for selective stepwise substitution of iodine and chlorine atoms in 4-chloro-6-iodoquinoline which allow the synthesis of the corresponding diarylquinolines with different aryl groups in the 4- and 6-positions in a one-pot procedure in high yields are reported.

### An efficient diastereoselective synthesis of $\beta$ -1-formyl-2,3,4,6-tetra-O-benzyl-D-glucopyranoside

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#### Anion sensor based on the indoaniline-thiourea system

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### A facile and selective deprotection of tert-butyldimethylsilyl ethers of phenols using triethylamine N-oxide

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Aryl TBS ethers can be cleaved selectively in high yields in the presence of alkyl TBS ethers employing triethylamine N-oxide.

#### Carbonyl ylide 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions with porphyrins

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