### Development of new iron catalysts for the tandem isomerization—aldol condensation of allylic alcohols

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(bda)Fe(CO)<sub>3</sub> and (COT) Fe(CO)<sub>3</sub> are shown to be very good catalysts for the tandem isomerization—aldolization of allylic alcohols with aldehydes leading to a significant increase of the scope of this reaction.

$$R_1 \xrightarrow[\text{OH }]{R_2} nBu \xrightarrow[\text{Iron Cat.}]{R_1 \cap R_2} nBu \xrightarrow[\text{Regioisomers of Major Minor Mi$$

#### Synthesis of variolin B

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The synthesis of variolin B from 4-methoxy-7-azaindole is described.

#### Calix[n]arene/Ti(IV) complexes as active catalysts in aldol reaction of Chan's diene

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#### Studies toward the total synthesis of azaspiracids: synthesis of the FGHI ring domain

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### A new method for the preparation of fluoro- $\lambda^6$ -sulfanenitriles: reaction of sulfimides with Selectfluor $^{TM}$

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$$Ar - \underbrace{S - Ar}_{NH} \xrightarrow{F - N - CH_2CI} \underbrace{2BF_4^-}_{N - F} \left[ Ar - \underbrace{S - Ar}_{N - F} \right] \xrightarrow{Ar - \underbrace{S - Ar}_{N}} Ar - \underbrace{Ar - \underbrace{S - Ar}_{N}}_{N - F} \right]$$

#### Highly efficient dehydrogenation of indolines to indoles using hydroxyapatite-bound Pd catalyst

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#### Iodine catalyzes C-glycosidation of D-glucal with silvlacetylene

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# 2,2'-Bis(diarylstibano)-1,1'-binaphthyls (BINASbs); a useful chiral ligand for palladium-catalyzed asymmetric allylic alkylation, and the structure of a BINASb–PdCl $_2$ complex

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#### Enantiomeric resolution of fluorous mixture by chiral CD columns: asymmetric reduction of a mixture of fluorous ketones

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# Efficient enantiomeric resolution via introduction of a fluorous tag as a resolving reagent with $\beta$ -cyclodextrin columns: model study on fluorinated O-acetylmandelate and ibuprofen amide

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 $R^2 R^3$ COXRf

X = O, NHRf = Fluorous tag

β-CD columns

### Synthesis of (E)- and (Z)-fluoro-olefin analogues of potent dipeptidyl peptidase IV inhibitors

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(E)- and (Z)-fluoro-olefin analogues of potent dipeptidyl peptidase IV inhibitors were synthesized (R = 2-phenylethyl-, p-fluorobenzyl-, 1-adamantyl-).

### Determination of the absolute configuration of vibsanin F by asymmetric synthesis via $\pi$ -allylpalladium complex

Tetrahedron Letters 44 (2003) 6235

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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{OH} \\ \text{OH} \\$$

#### Novel ring transformation of quinolines to indole derivatives in two steps via 1,4-dihydroquinoline derivatives

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#### Enantioselective synthesis of (R)-phenylephrine hydrochloride

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An enantioselective synthesis of the title compound from 3-hydroxybenzaldehyde employing the Sharpless asymmetric dihydroxylation procedure is reported.

### 9,10-Dicyanoanthracene photosensitized oxidation of aryl alkanols: evidence for an electron transfer mechanism

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### A versatile one-pot synthesis of 2,3,5-tri-substituted thiophenes from thiomorpholides

Tetrahedron Letters 44 (2003) 6253

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#### Bismuth triflate catalyzed conjugate addition of indoles to $\alpha, \beta$ -enones

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$$R^2$$
 $R^4$ 
 $R^4$ 

#### Technomimetic molecules: synthesis of a molecular wheelbarrow

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A molecular analog of a wheelbarrow is synthesized following a strategy based on sequential double Knoevenagel and Diels-Alder reactions.

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## Solid-phase synthesis of imidazo[1,2-a] pyridines and imidazo[1,2-a]-pyrimidines

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#### N-Acylation of 4-alkylidene-β-lactams: unexpected results

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#### A quantitative synthesis of $\beta$ -carboxylated thiolophosphates via a Michael reaction

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 $\beta$ -Carboxylated thiolophosphates are synthesized quantitatively via a Michael reaction between two equivalents of O,O'-dialkylthiophosphate acid and acrylate compounds.

## Optically active aziridine esters by nucleophilic addition of nitrogen heterocycles to a chiral 2*H*-azirine-2-carboxylic ester

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Chirally enriched ethyl 3-methyl-2*H*-azirine-2-carboxylate acts as an efficient alkylating agent for a variety of five membered aromatic nitrogen heterocycles.

Me 
$$\stackrel{\text{N}}{\longrightarrow}$$
 H  $\stackrel{\text{NH}}{\longrightarrow}$  Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, MeCN  $\stackrel{\text{H}}{\longrightarrow}$  Me $\stackrel{\text{N}}{\longrightarrow}$  H

#### Electroreductive intramolecular coupling of aromatic $\delta$ - and $\epsilon$ -keto esters

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#### Identification of isopseudohypericin, a new phenanthroperylene quinone obtained by the alkaline treatment of pseudohypericin

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#### Copper-catalyzed amination of aromatic halides with 2-N,N-dimethylaminoethanol as solvent

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A copper-catalyzed amination of aromatic halides under mild conditions using *N*,*N*-dimethylaminoethanol as solvent is described. We have studied this reaction in detail varying the copper source, base, water content and other parameters including the scope of useful amine and aromatic halide structures. A variety of 4-halo-*N*,*N*-cycloalkylanilines and 2-*N*,*N*-cycloalkylthiophenes were synthesized for further elaboration into chromophores for optoelectronic applications.

R 
$$\frac{N,N-Dimethylaminoethanol}{10\% \text{ Cu or Cul, } \text{K}_3\text{PO}_4\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}}$$
  $\frac{10\% \text{ Cu or Cul, } \text{K}_3\text{PO}_4\cdot\text{H}_2\text{O}}{\text{r.t to } 80^{\circ}\text{C, } \text{N}_2}$   $\frac{R}{\text{NR}_1\text{R}_2}$ 

#### $\beta$ -Sulfinyl acrylate esters as a convenient source of alkane- and arenesulfenate anions

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# The synthesis of aza- $\beta$ -lactams via tandem Petasis-Ugi multi-component condensation and 1,3-diisopropylcarbodiimide (DIC) condensation reaction

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$$\begin{array}{c|c} H_{N} & \xrightarrow{R^1} & \xrightarrow{N=C=N} & H_2N^* \\ R^1 & H, CH_2 \cdot C_6H_1, CH_2 \cdot C_6H_5, CH_2 \cdot CO_2Me, \\ CH_2 \cdot CH_5 \cdot CHMO_2 \text{ and aryl.} \\ R^2 & = \text{aryl, heterocycle,} \end{array}$$

#### $RhCl_{3}\hbox{-catalyzed hydroboration of alkenyl nitriles} \\$

Tetrahedron Letters 44 (2003) 6301

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C N: 
$$\frac{1) \text{ RhCl}_3, \text{BH}_3: \text{ THF}}{2) \text{ NaOH/H}_2\text{O}_2}$$
  $+$  OH

#### A convenient preparative method for anionic tris(substituted pyrazolyl)methane ligands

Tetrahedron Letters 44 (2003) 6305

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The synthesis of the tris-tridentate ligand **LH**<sub>3</sub> is described in 14% overal yield, including chemical reactions on the trispyrazolylmethane framework and characterisation of the isomeric form obtained upon condensation of the pyrazolyl precursor with chloroform.

### One-pot synthesis of non-symmetric tetraoxanes with the $H_2O_2/MTO/fluorous$ alcohol system

Tetrahedron Letters 44 (2003) 6309

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#### 2H-Azirines as dipolarophiles

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## $\alpha\text{-Iodination}$ of enaminones using the modified Johnson's procedure: the use of $I_2$ and $Et_3N$

Tetrahedron Letters 44 (2003) 6317

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## Generation and reactions of $\alpha$ -trifluoromethyl stabilized aziridinyl anion, a general synthetic precursor for stereospecific construction of $\alpha$ -amino- $\alpha$ -trifluoromethylated quaternary carbon

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$$\begin{bmatrix} \mathsf{Ts} & \mathsf{Ts} & \mathsf{Ts} & \mathsf{OH} \\ \mathsf{N} & \mathsf{O} & \mathsf{N} & \mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{R} \\ \mathsf{CF}_3 \end{bmatrix} \xrightarrow{\mathsf{E}^{\oplus}} \overset{\mathsf{Ts}}{\mathsf{N}} \overset{\mathsf{OH}}{\mathsf{CO}_2\mathsf{E}} \mathsf{I}$$

## Stereoselective synthesis of *anti*-2-oxazolidinones by $Ph_3P-CCl_4-Et_3N$ mediated $S_N2$ cyclization of N-Boc- $\beta$ -amino alcohols

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Ethyl *anti*-4-substituted phenyl-2-oxo-1,3-oxazolidine-5-carboxylates were synthesized stereoselectively in excellent yields using the  $Ph_3P-CCl_4-Et_3N$  system by  $S_N^2$  cyclization of *N*-Boc-β-amino alcohols. *syn* to *anti* conversion of ethyl 4-substituted phenyl-2-oxo-1,3-oxazolidine-5-carboxylates using DBU as base is also described.

#### Sterically controlled cyclization of 3',4',5,7-

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#### tetramethyldihydroquercetin amidophosphites. New synthesis of phostones

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A new sterically controlled reaction of  $\alpha$ -hydroxyketones with phosphorus acid triamides resulting in new four-membered phostones is reported.

#### Novel direct reduction of diaryl ketones to diarylmethanes using supercritical 2-propanol

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We found that diaryl ketones reduce directly to diaryl alkanes under supercritical 2-propanol. This method was applied to one-pot synthesis of anthracene from anthraquinone derivatives by the addition of sulfur in excellent yields.

#### Rhodium-catalyzed cycloisomerization of allenenes via metalacycle intermediates

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### Protecting group migration in the chemistry of 1-*t*-butyldimethylsilyl-4-hydroxymethyl-2-azetidinone

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## Novozym-435-catalyzed enzymatic separation of racemic propargylic alcohols. A facile route to optically active terminal aryl propargylic alcohols

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## Fragmentation of carbohydrate anomeric alkoxy radicals: a new synthesis of chiral 1-halo-1-bromo compounds

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### Studies towards diarylheptanoid synthesis. Part 1: Synthesis and ring cleavage reactions of hexahydro-2*H*,5*H*-pyrano[2,3-*b*]pyran-2-ones

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## Studies towards diarylheptanoid synthesis. Part 2: Synthesis and ring cleavage reactions of tetrahydro-4*H*-furo[2,3-*b*]pyran-2-ones

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