

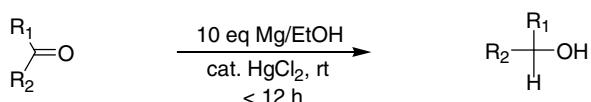


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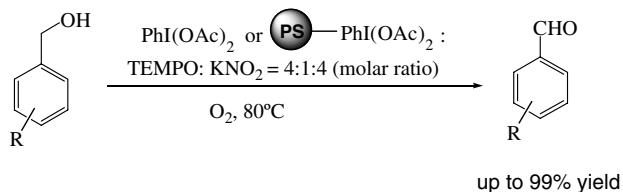
## **Reduction of ketones to corresponding alcohols with magnesium metal in absolute alcohols**

Ji Young Kim, Hak Do Kim, Min Jung Seo, Hyoung Rae Kim, Zaesung No, Deok-Chan Ha and Ge Hyeong Lee\*



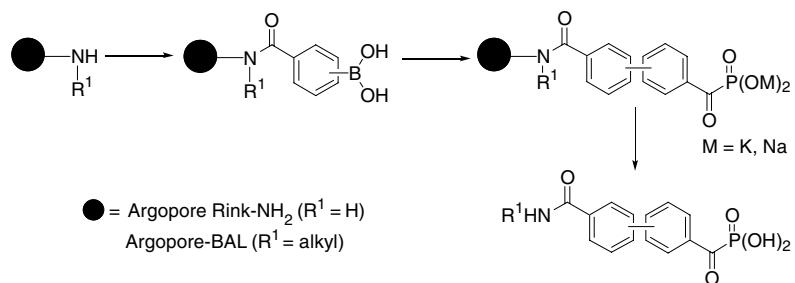
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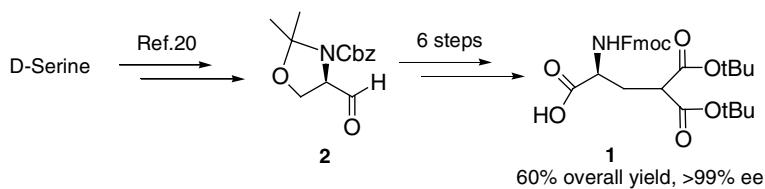
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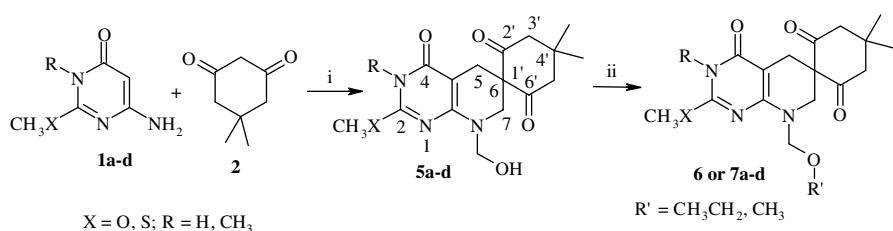
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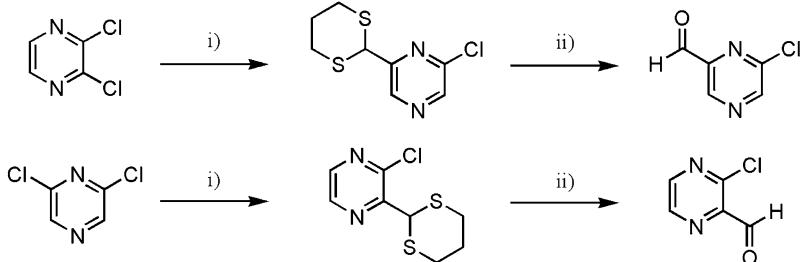
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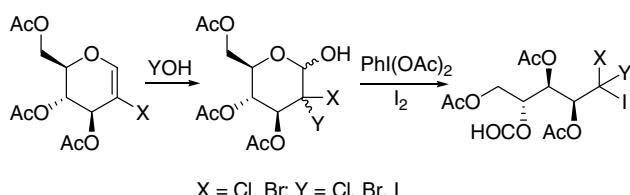
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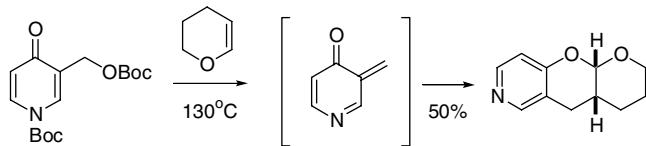
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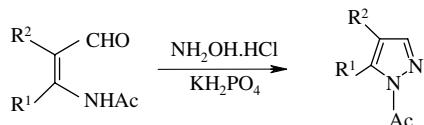
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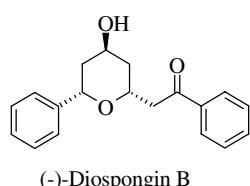
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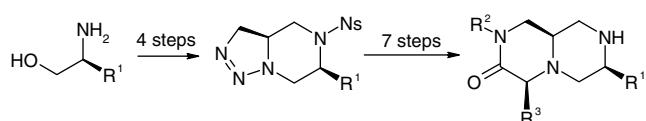
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The first total synthesis of (−)-diospongin B has been achieved starting from benzaldehyde using a Keck asymmetric allylation, a base catalyzed conjugate addition of an α,β-unsaturated ester and an intramolecular oxy-Michael reaction as the key steps in 16% overall yield.

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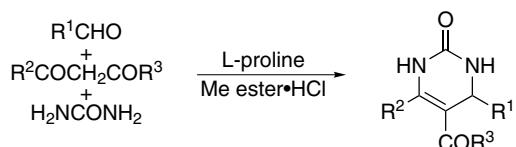
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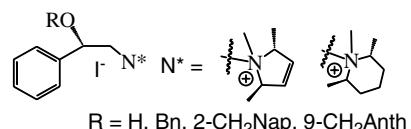
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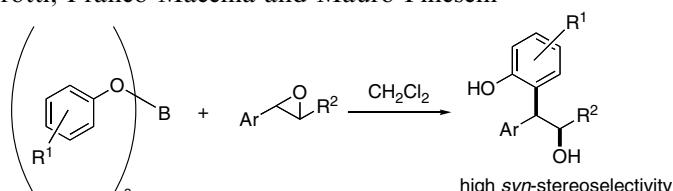
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 $R^1$ =electron-donating group

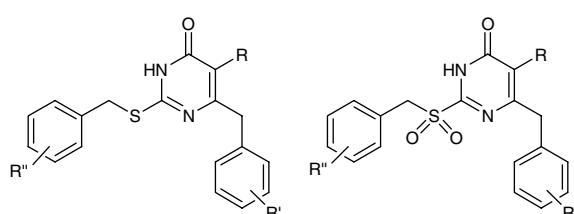
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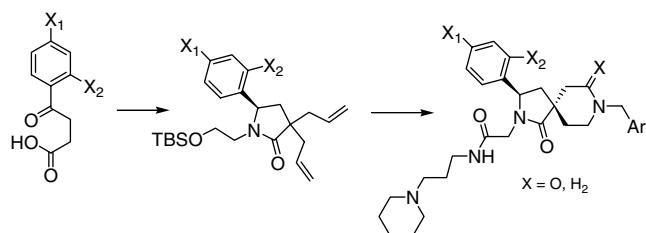
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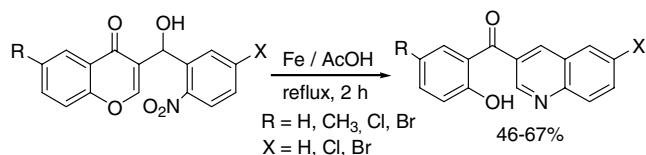
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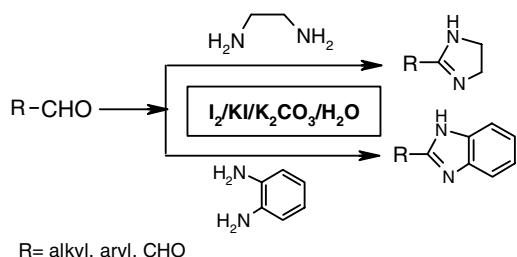
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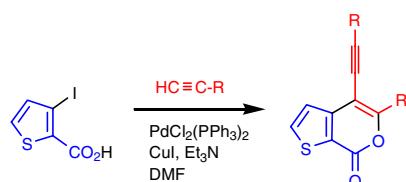
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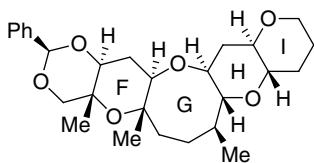
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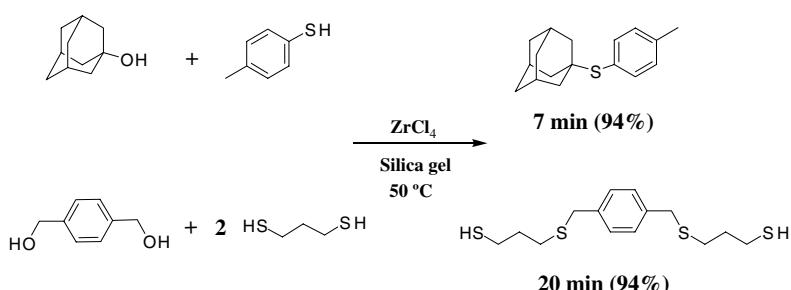
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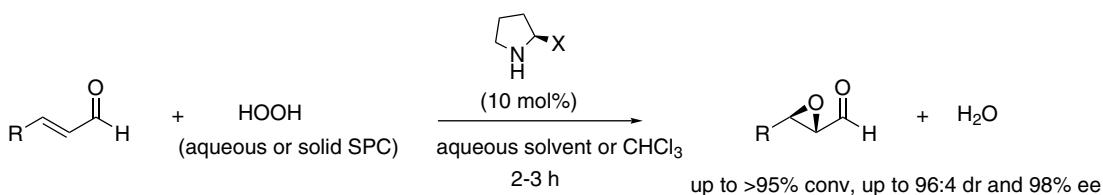
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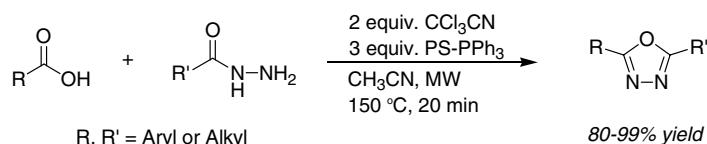
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**A simple and efficient one step synthesis of 1,3,4-oxadiazoles utilizing polymer-supported reagents and microwave heating**

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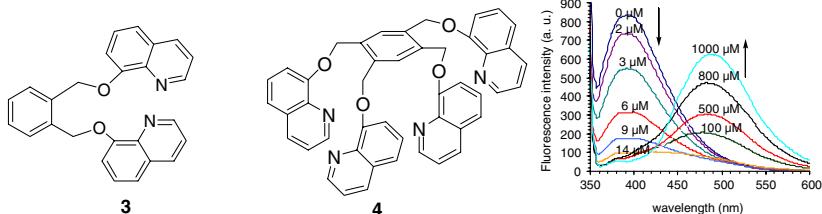
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**A unique ‘ON-OFF-ON’ switch with two perturbations at two different concentrations of Ag<sup>+</sup>**

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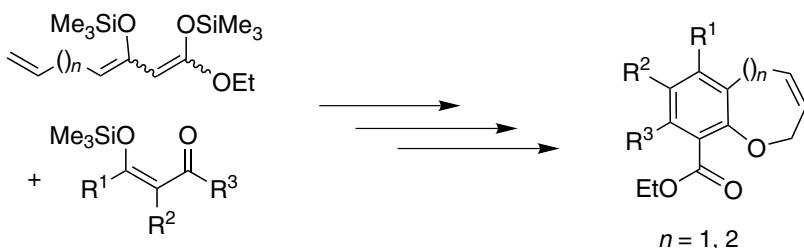


The sterically crowded 1,2-dipodal **3** and 1,2,4,5-tetrapodal **4** undergo fluorescence quenching ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  395 nm) with <1.0 equiv of Ag<sup>+</sup> and fluorescence enhancement ( $\lambda_{\text{max}}$  500 nm) with >3 equiv of Ag<sup>+</sup> and can be used for estimation of two different concentration ranges of Ag<sup>+</sup>.

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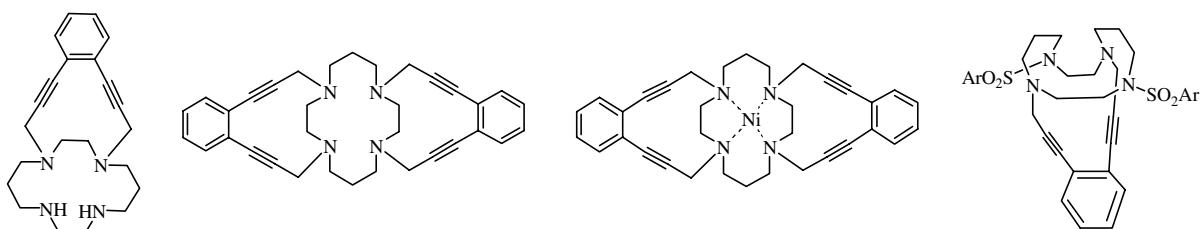
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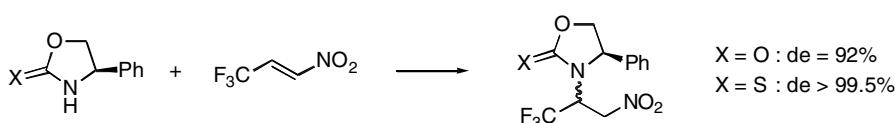
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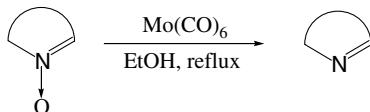
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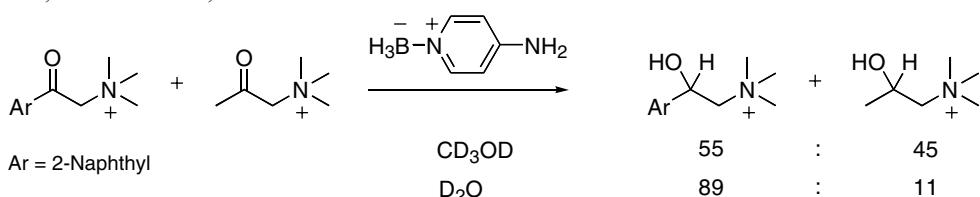
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Christopher Uyeda, Mark Biscoe, Paul LePlae and Ronald Breslow\*



Amine boranes bearing hydrophobic substituents were used to reduce aryl ketones in competition with a methyl ketone in a study of hydrophobically directed selective reductions. Several characteristics of the reducing agent were found to be important in determining the reaction selectivity, including available hydrocarbon surface area, degree of fluorination, and proximity of the hydrophobic group to the active hydrides.

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