

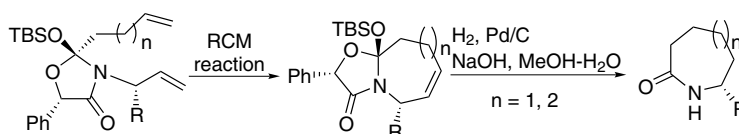
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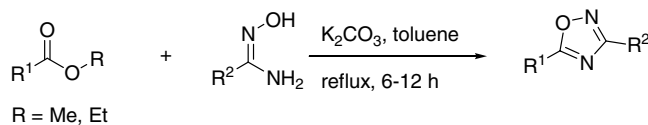
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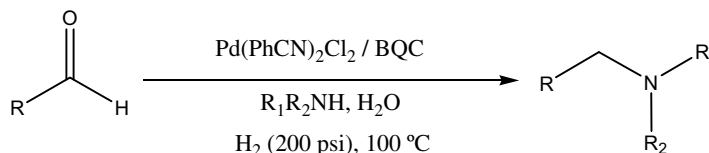
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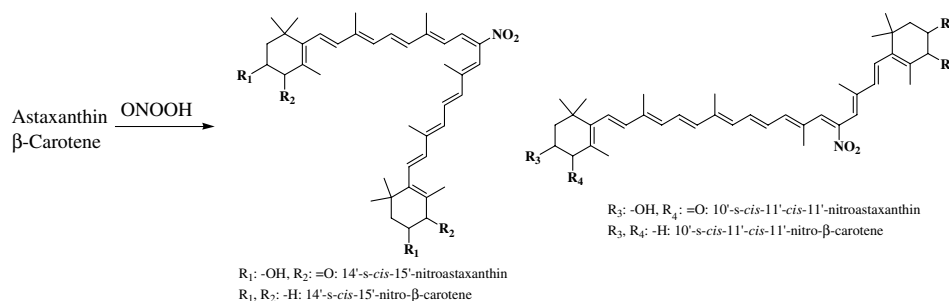


An unprecedented efficient and highly selective direct reductive amination of aldehydes with primary and secondary amines in water using gaseous hydrogen and water-soluble catalysts is developed. The catalytic system formed in situ from Pd(PhCN)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and 2,2'-biquinoline-4,4'-dicarboxylic acid dipotassium salt (BQC) allows full conversion of aldehydes and the formation of desired alkylated amines with excellent yields and selectivities. The catalytic system is stable and can be recycled and reused three times without loss of activity.

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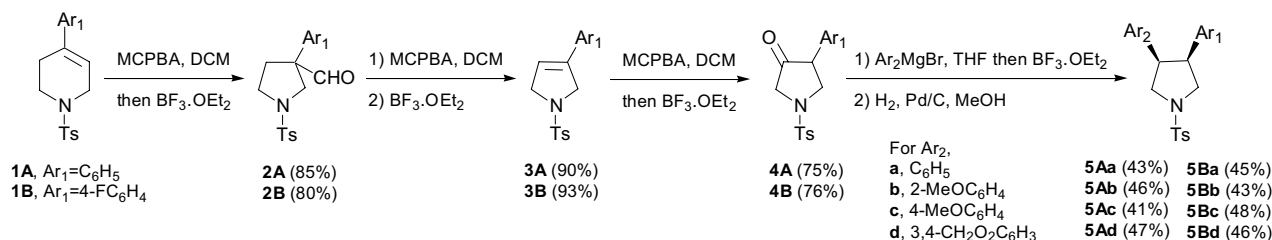
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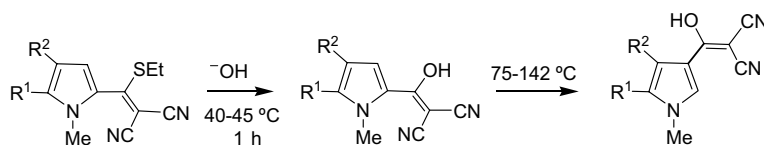
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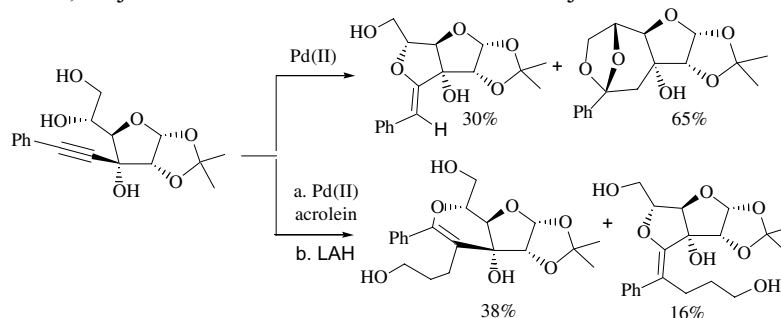
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## Palladium mediated cycloisomerization of sugar alkynols: synthesis of cyclic enol-ethers and spiroketals

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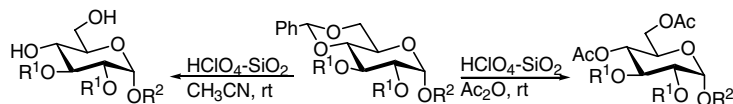
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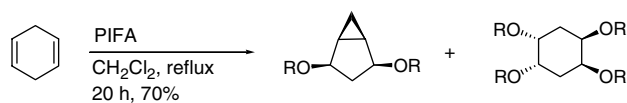
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**Synthesis of diols using the hypervalent iodine(III) reagent, phenyliodine(III) bis(trifluoroacetate)**

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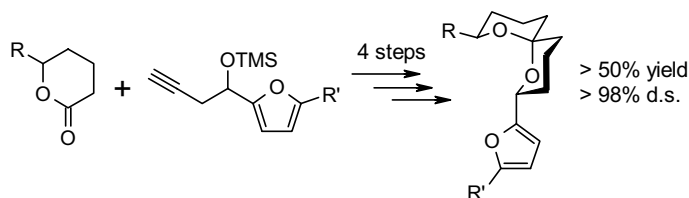


1,2- and 1,3-Bis(trifluoroacetoxy) alcohols are easily obtained from the one-pot reaction of alkenes with phenyliodine(III) bis(trifluoroacetate) (PIFA) in the absence of any additive or catalyst.

**Furanyl spiroketals: thermodynamic control of remote asymmetry**

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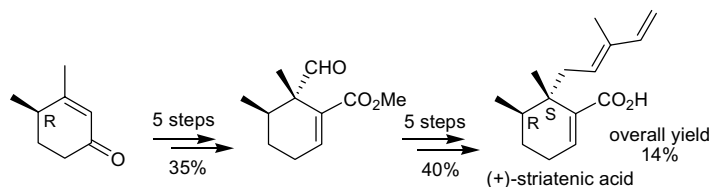
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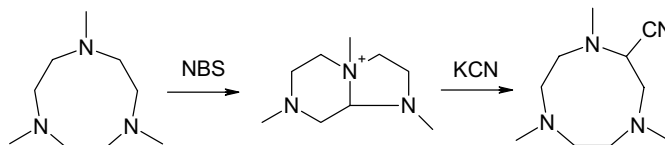
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**Direct ring functionalisation of 1,4,7-trimethyl-1,4,7-triazacyclononane and its application in the preparation of functional [L<sub>2</sub>Mn<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>]-type complexes**

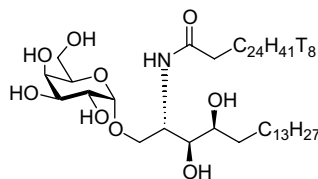
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**Synthesis of tritium labeled KRN7000**

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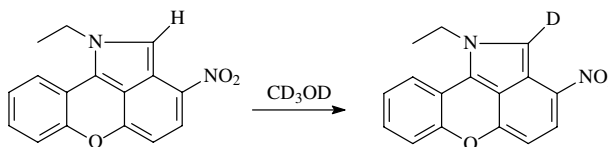


The synthesis of multiple tritiated KRN7000 ( $\alpha$ -galactosyl ceramide) is described via the construction of an unsaturated fatty acid of the appropriate length.

**1-Ethyl-1*H*-3-nitrobenzopyrano[4,3,2-*cd*]isoindole: a novel heterocyclic ring system bearing an unusually labile deuterium-exchangeable aromatic proton**

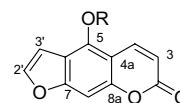
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**Feroniellins A–C, novel cytotoxic furanocoumarins with highly oxygenated C<sub>10</sub> moieties from *Feroniella lucida***

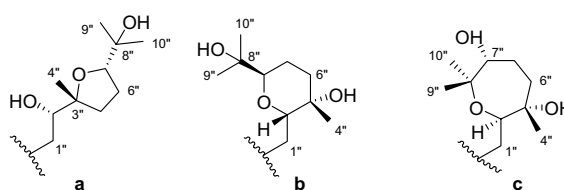
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Preecha Phuwapraisirisan,\* Serm Surapinit, Sitthidesch Sombund, Pongpun Siripong and Santi Tip-pyang\*



- 1 R = a
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- 3 R = c

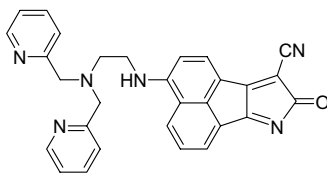
Three new isomeric coumarins bearing highly oxygenated C<sub>10</sub> moieties were isolated from *Feroniella lucida*.



**An acenaphthopyrrolone-dipicolylamine derivative as a selective and sensitive chemosensor for group IIB cations**

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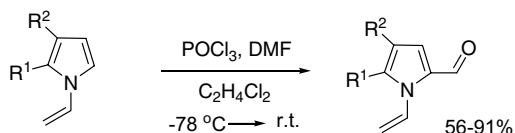
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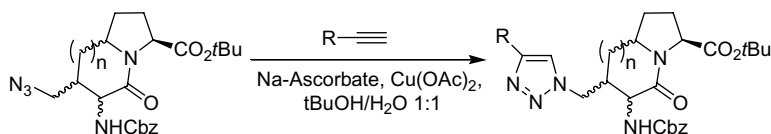
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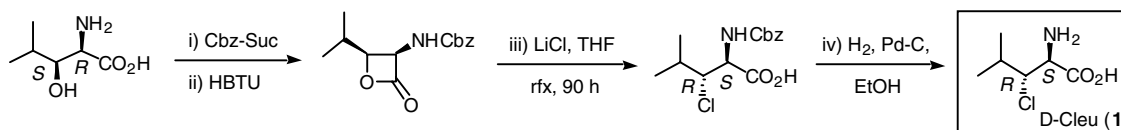
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**Synthesis of β-chloro α-amino acids: (2*S*,3*R*)- and (2*S*,3*S*)-3-chloroleucine**

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Nativitat Valls\*, Mar Borregán and Josep Bonjoch\*

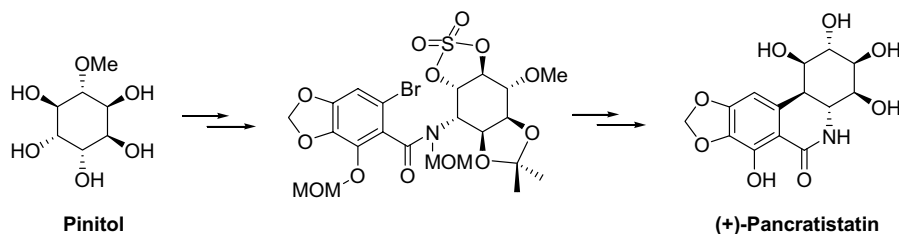


The same sequence was carried out using (2*R*,3*R*)-3-hydroxyisoleucine leading to the epimeric (2*S*,3*S*)-3-chloroleucine.

### A concise synthesis of (+)-pancratistatin using pinitol as a chiral building block

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Min Li,\* Anmei Wu and Peijie Zhou

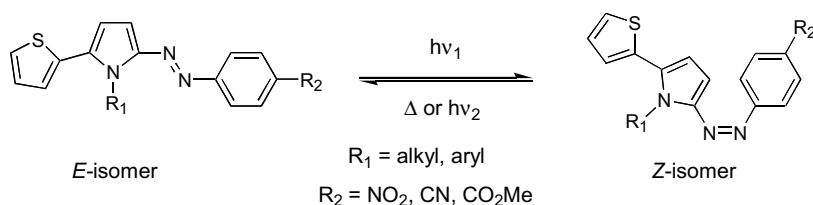


A concise approach toward (+)-Pancratistatin has been achieved via 12 steps from pinitol. An ultrasound assisted arylcerium induced ring opening of a cyclic sulfate was employed as the key step.

### Photochromic properties of thienylpyrrole azo dyes in solution

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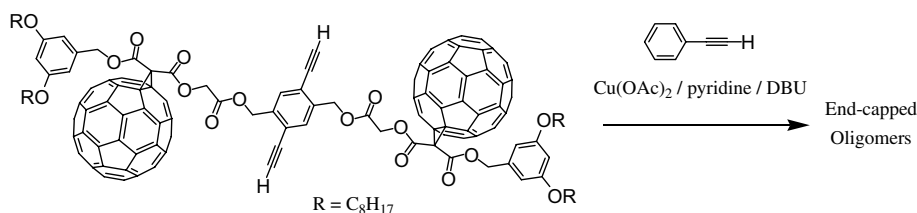
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### Synthesis of fullerene-substituted oligo(phenylenebutadienyldiyl)

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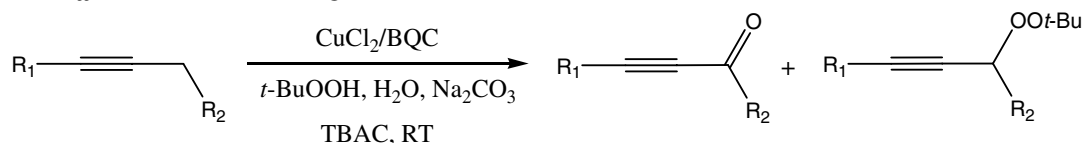
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### An unprecedented highly efficient solvent-free oxidation of alkynes to $\alpha,\beta$ -acetylenic ketones with *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide catalyzed by water-soluble copper complex

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Abdelaziz Nait Ajjou\* and Gabriel Ferguson

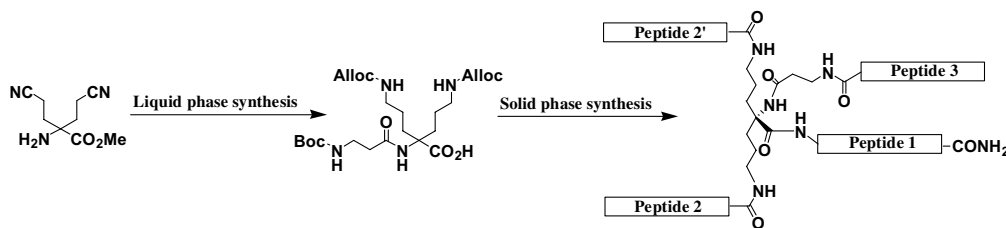


The water-soluble complex generated in situ from  $\text{CuCl}_2$  and 2,2'-biquinoline-4,4'-dicarboxylic acid dipotassium salt (BQC) has been revealed as a highly efficient catalyst for the selective  $\alpha$ -oxidation of internal alkynes to the corresponding  $\alpha,\beta$ -acetylenic ketones, with aqueous *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide, under mild conditions. For the first time, full conversions of alkynes were reached with excellent selectivities, and propargylic *tert*-butylperoxy ethers were observed and suggested as the reaction intermediates. In the case of terminal alkynes, the oxidations are sluggish and low yields ranging from 32% to 40% were obtained.

**'Bis-ornithine' (2,2-bis(aminopropyl)glycine): a new tetravalent template for assembling different functional peptides**

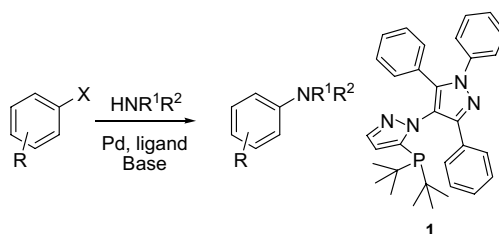
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**Development of nonproprietary phosphine ligands for the Pd-catalyzed amination reaction**

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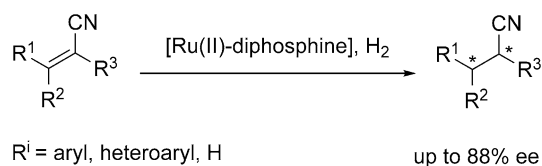


We have prepared a new family of pyrazole and bi-pyrazole phosphine ligands that perform efficiently in the Pd-catalyzed amination reaction. Of the ligands screened, ligand **1** is the most compatible for couplings involving both primary and secondary amines with typical yields of 84–99%.

**Enantioselective hydrogenation of diaryl-substituted  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated nitriles**

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Tobias C. Wabnitz, Simona Rizzo, Carsten Götte, Armin Buschauer, Tiziana Benincori\* and Oliver Reiser\*

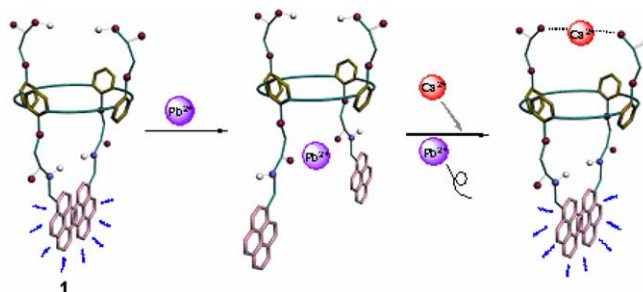


Diaryl-substituted  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated nitriles can be hydrogenated with Ru(II)-diphosphine catalysts in up to 88% ee. Electron-rich diphosphine ligands such as *N*-Me-2-BINP give the best results. Mechanistic investigations show that the presence of a secondary coordination site such as a pyridyl group promotes conversion. The products are precursors for the synthesis of chiral arpromidines.

**On/off fluorescence switch of a calix[4]arene by metal ion exchange**

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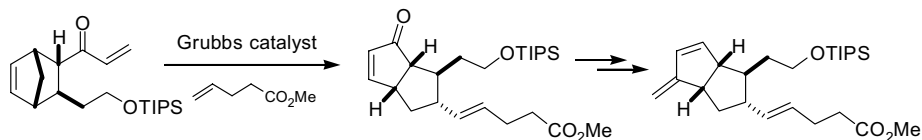
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**A synthesis of the bicyclo[3.3.0]octene core of geodin A**

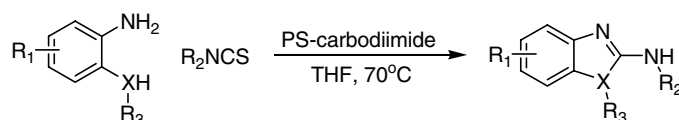
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**A one-pot method for the synthesis of 2-aminobenzimidazoles and related heterocycles**

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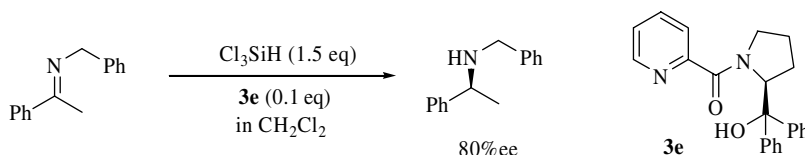


A rapid and efficient one-pot method for the synthesis of 2-aminobenzimidazoles and related heterocycles is described. The reaction is mediated by a polymer-supported carbodiimide, which simplifies product isolation. The scope and limitations of this method are described.

**New organic activators for the enantioselective reduction of aromatic imines with trichlorosilane**

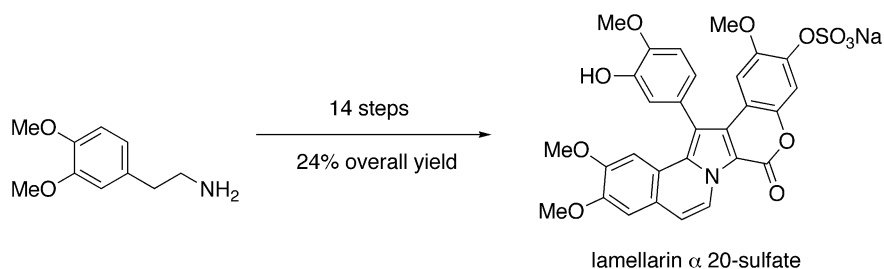
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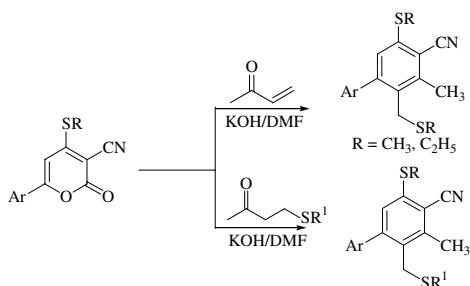
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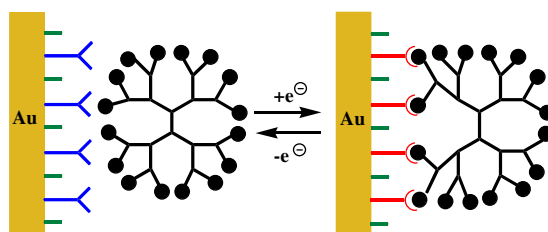
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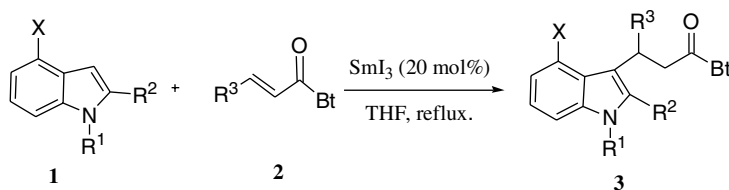
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**Highly regioselective Friedel–Crafts alkylation of indoles with  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated *N*-acylbenzotriazoles** pp 3767–3771

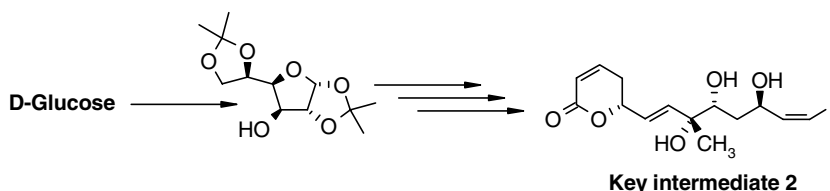
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The Friedel–Crafts alkylation rather than acylation of indoles was realized with  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated *N*-acylbenzotriazoles catalyzed by samarium(III) iodide under reflux in dry THF. The reaction was highly regioselective, and a series of new 3-substituted indole derivatives were obtained and could be further transformed into various indole derivatives due to the presence of active acylbenzotriazole moiety.

**Formal synthesis of fostriecin by a carbohydrate-based approach** pp 3773–3776

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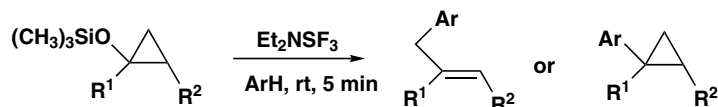


A formal synthesis of fostriecin, starting from D-glucose involves chelation-controlled addition, Wittig rearrangement, ring closing metathesis and iodomethylenation.

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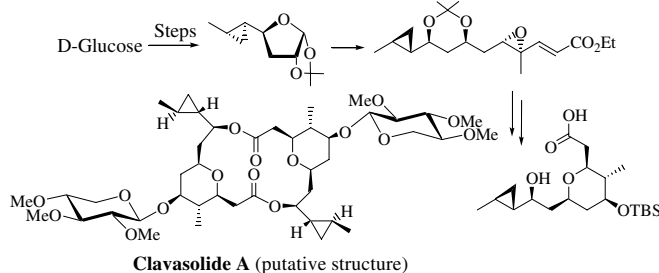
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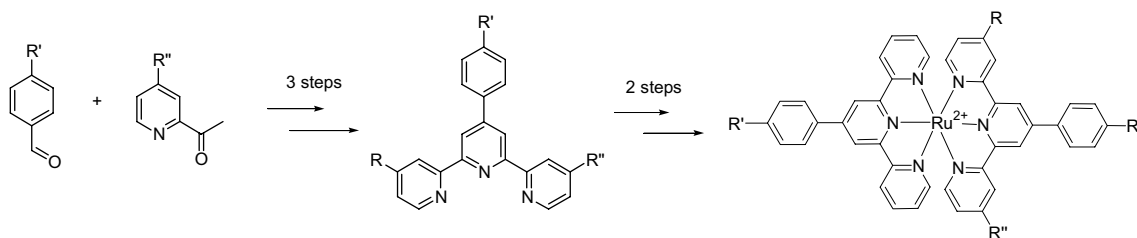
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Virginie Duprez and Frederik C. Krebs\*

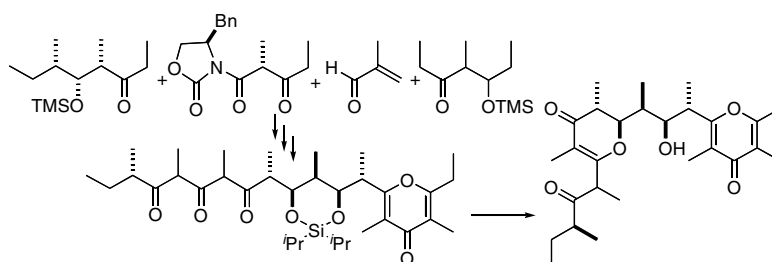


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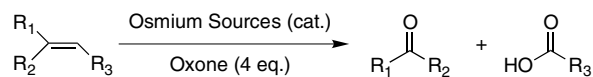
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**The OsO<sub>4</sub>-mediated oxidative cleavage of olefins catalyzed by alternative osmium sources**

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Daniel C. Whitehead, Benjamin R. Travis and Babak Borhan\*

Osmium Sources: OsCl<sub>3</sub>, K<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>4</sub>·2H<sub>2</sub>O, PB-OsO<sub>4</sub>, OsEnCat™

The OsO<sub>4</sub>-mediated oxidative cleavage of olefins is compatible with alternative, easier-to-handle osmium sources. Four different sources of osmium were employed with favorable results.

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