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Euryjanicin A: a new cycloheptapeptide from the Caribbean marine sponge Prosuberites laughlini

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The isolation and structure determination of an unusual cyclic heptapeptide, euryjanicin A, from a Puerto Rican marine sponge, *Prosuberites laughlini*, is reported. The peptide exists in multiple, slowly exchanging conformations in CDCl₃ and contains 1 mol each of valine, phenylalanine, tryptophan, serine, and isoleucine, as well as 2 mol of proline residues.

Mechanism of base-catalyzed autooxidation of corticosteroids containing 20-keto-21-hydroxyl side chain

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Other corticosteroids containing the 20-keto-21-hydroxyl side chain undergo the same oxidative degradation.

Ceric ammonium nitrate (CAN) as oxidizing or nitrating reagent for organic reactions in ionic liquids Karen Deleersnyder, Stijn Schaltin, Jan Fransaer, Koen Binnemans, Tatjana N. Parac-Vogt *



The chemoselectivity of the reaction of ceric ammonium nitrate with naphthalene in the ionic liquid 1-ethyl-3-methylimidazolium triflate can be altered by modifying the ionic liquid's water content.

Studies toward the total synthesis of cyclodidemniserinol trisulfate. Part I: 3,5,7-Trisubstituted 6,8-dioxabicyclo [3.2.1] octane core structure construction via a convergent and a linear stereoselective synthesis

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The 3,5,7-trisubstituted dioxabicyclic portion of cyclodidemniserinol trisulfate was synthesized by employing intramolecular ketal formation strategy via a convergent and a linear stereoselective synthesis approach, respectively.

Studies toward the total synthesis of cyclodidemniserinol trisulfate. Part II: 3,5,7-Trisubstituted 6,8-dioxabicyclo [3.2.1] octane core structure construction via I2-mediated deprotection and ring closure tandem reaction Jian-Hua Liu, Ya-Qiu Long *



Microwave-enhanced and ligand-free copper-catalyzed cyanation of aryl halides with K_4 [Fe(CN)₆] in water Yunlai Ren, Wei Wang, Shuang Zhao, Xinzhe Tian, Jianji Wang^{*}, Weiping Yin, Lin Cheng



Trifluoroacetic acid-mediated facile construction of 6-substituted phenanthridines So Won Youn *, Joon Hyung Bihn



The trifluoroacetic acid-mediated reaction of 2-arylanilines with arylaldehydes has been developed to give a variety of 6-substituted phenanthridines. This is a very simple and convenient one-pot process.

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Ph Ph Ph Ph

`Nu

H NuH DBUHX

79% yield

syn / anti = 1 / 31 73% ee (anti)

BINAPO (10 mol %) SiCl₄ (1.5 equiv)

ⁱPr₂NEt (10 equiv) EtCN, 0 °C

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PhCHO

 R^{1} N R^{2} R^{2}

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First synthesis and absolute configuration of (-)-pyriculariol, a phytotoxin isolated from rice blast fungus,pp 4637-4638Magnaporthe grisea. Use of microwave irradiation to control Stille coupling reaction productsPhytotoxin isolated from rice blast fungus,Ayaka Sasaki, Koji Tanaka, Yuuki Sato, Shigefumi Kuwahara, Hiromasa Kiyota *

OH Bu₃Sn OTf Stille coupling microwave

First total synthesis of (-)-pyriculariol, a phytotoxin isolated from rice blast fungus, *Magnaporthe grisea*, was achieved to determine the absolute configuration of the natural product to be 5'*R*,6'*S*. The key step was Stille coupling reaction using microwave irradiation from -78 °C to control the reaction.

The absolute stereostructures of cyanogenic glycosides, hydracyanosides A, B, and C, from the leaves and stems pp 4639–4642 of *Hydrangea macrophylla*

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Three new cyanogenic glycosides named hydracyanosides A (1), B (2), and C (3) were isolated from the leaves and/or stems of *Hydrangea macrophylla*. To the best of our knowledge, this is the first scientific report of cyanogenic glycosides from *Hydrangea* plants.

Palladium/copper-catalyzed sila-Sonogashira reactions of aryl iodides with alkynylsilanes via a direct C–Si bond activation

Yasushi Nishihara^{*}, Eiji Inoue, Daisuke Ogawa, Yoshiaki Okada, Shintaro Noyori, Kentaro Takagi

 $R^{1} = SiMe_{3} + I - R^{2} \xrightarrow[80]{CuCl} (50 \text{ mol}\%) \\ \hline DMF \\ 80 \ ^{\circ}C, \ 1-6 \ h \\ 25 \text{ examples} \\ R^{1}, R^{2} = \text{aromatic, heteroaromatic, aliphatic} R^{1}$

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Reaction of 2-silylmethylcyclopropyl ketones with in situ oxirane-derived aldehydes and formation of 2-hydroxymethyl tetrahydrofurans

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The enolates formed from Lewis acid treatment of (2-trimethylsilylmethyl)cyclopropyl ketones react with in situ oxirane-derived aldehydes to generate aldol products that were easily transformed into 2-hydroxymethyl tetrahydrofurans under oxidation with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid.

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