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**Synthesis of azepino[3,4b]indoles via the Plancher rearrangement** Shane A. Eisenbeis<sup>\*</sup>, James R. Phillips, Diane Rescek, Yatsandra Oyola-Cintron

The reaction of benzyl 3-formylpiperidine-1-carboxylate and aryl hydrazines under standard Fisher indole conditions followed by reductive work-up affords azepino[3,4b]indoles in moderate to good yields. The products are proposed to be derived via a Plancher rearrangement [(a) Plancher, G. *Gazzetta* **1898**, *28*, 374; (b) Plancher, G. *Atti. R. Accad. Lincei* **1900**, *9*, 115; (c) Boyd-Barrett, H. S. J. Chem. Soc. **1932**, 321].

#### Unprecedented dual reactivity of anhydrous potassium hydroxide in cascade cyclopropannelation/Haller–Bauerscission/Grob-fragmentation reactions

Alain Krief<sup>\*</sup>, Adrian Kremer



Whereas potassium hydroxide reacts with a large variety of 2,2-dimethyl-substituted cyclohexanones bearing two leaving groups at 3,4-positions to produce vinyl lactones or/and their vinyl cyclopropane carboxylic acid isomers, 'anhydrous potassium hydroxide' (from 3/1 *t*-BuOK/H<sub>2</sub>O) exclusively produces the latter in very high yield under very mild conditions.

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Wen-Feng Huang, Qian-Ru Li, Lu-Men Chao, Xin-Sheng Lei\*, Bang-Guo Wei\*



A convenient method for the preparation of multifunctional chiral building block **2** from p-glutamic acid was described. Cerebroside sphingolipid **1**, a sex pheromone of hair crab, was successfully synthesized based on such a readily available building block.

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 $(RO)_{n} \xrightarrow{O}_{X} \xrightarrow{10}_{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} \xrightarrow{O}_{O}$ 

An approach that combines solid phase and solution phase synthesis of oligosaccharides via the assistance of sonication has been developed. By employing the traceless linker, the designed oligosaccharides can be obtained in pure form and, more importantly, ready for incorporation to aglycons of interest via 'Click' chemistry or amide linkage. The overall strategy will facilitate the studies of roles of carbohydrates in bioactive compounds.

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 $R \xrightarrow{S}_{R^{1}} S \xrightarrow{HS}_{glycerol, 90 °C} R \xrightarrow{O}_{R^{1}} R^{2} SH \xrightarrow{SR^{2}}_{glycerol, 90 °C} R \xrightarrow{SR^{2}}_{R^{1}} R^{2}$ 



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Biocatalytic asymmetric formation of tetrahydro-β-carbolines

Peter Bernhardt, Aimee R. Usera, Sarah E. O'Connor\*



Strictosidine synthase from Ophiorrhiza pumila turns over a variety of aldehydes to yield a range of tetrahydro-β-carboline products with high stereoselectivity.

**Chiral** *N***-phosphoryl imines: design, synthesis and direct asymmetric addition reactions with diketones and diesters pp 4403–4407** Hao Sun, Trideep Rajale, Yi Pan<sup>\*</sup>, Guigen Li<sup>\*</sup>



(*S*)-BINOL-based chiral *N*-phosphoryl imines have been designed and synthesized. These *N*-phosphoryl imines have been proven to be efficient for direct 1,2-addition reaction with both cyclic and linear diketones without the use of any bases. They can also serve as electrophiles for the reaction with diethyl malonate in the presence of potassium carbonate. The absolute configuration has been unambiguously determined by converting a product into an authentic sample.





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572 nm 327 nm 250 nm Stokes Shift

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Umberto M. Battisti, Giuseppe Cannazza\*, Marina M. Carrozzo, Daniela Braghiroli, Carlo Parenti, Francesca Rosato, Luigino Troisi



A simple and efficient synthetic path for N-1 or N-2 alkyl-substituted 2-aminobenzensulfonamides was developed based on regioselective reduction with NaBH<sub>3</sub>CN in different solvents. This simple method could be adapted for the synthesis of more advanced intermediates.

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#### Coordination-driven self-assembly in a single pot

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Multinuclear discrete heteroleptic complexes have been synthesized by mixing Pd(II), 2,2'-bipyridine and *N*,*N*'-(1,2-phenylene)diisonicotinamide in a single pot as a new approach. A dimeric molecular rhombus and a trimer in equilibrium are obtained as new complexes.

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R, R<sup>1</sup> = H, alkyl R<sup>2</sup> = methyl, ethyl, butyl

An efficient protocol has been developed to catalyze the regioselective aza-Michael addition of amines with acrylates using CaL B as a biocatalyst at 60 °C.

A one-pot three-component reaction to access 1-alkyl-2-aryl-5-nitrobenzimidazoles under solvent-free conditions pp 4459–4461 F. Anthony Romero\*, Remond Moningka



New low bandgap molecules based on ethylene-separated benzothiadiazoles: synthesis and bandgap comparison pp 4462–4465 Yanmei Liu, Hua Lai, Hongliang Zhong, Erjian Xu, Junping Du, Yuxue Li\*, Qiang Fang\*



#### **Synthesis of tetralin and chromane derivatives via In-catalyzed intramolecular hydroarylation** Kai Xie, Sizhuo Wang, Ping Li, Xiujian Li, Zhiyong Yang, Xiangyu An, Can-Cheng Guo, Ze Tan\*

 $FG \xrightarrow{[1]{U}} X \xrightarrow{In(OTf)_3 (10 \text{ mol}\%)} FG \xrightarrow{[1]{U}} X$  X = C, NR, O

We report herein that  $\ln(OTf)_3$  is an effective catalyst for the intramolecular hydroarylation of  $\omega$ -aryl-1-alkenes to form tetralin and chromane derivatives. Though narrower in substrate scope when compared to the Ru-catalyzed version, the reaction catalyzed by  $\ln(OTf)_3$  gave better and cleaner reactions in selected cases.





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