

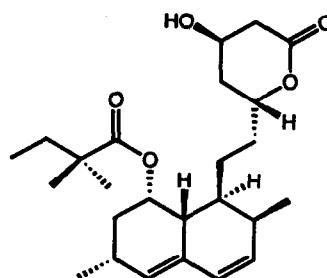
## GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

### AUTOOXIDATION OF SIMVASTATIN

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Autoxidation of the cholesterol-lowering agent simvastatin in ethylene dichloride solution with an azo-type free-radical initiator was investigated in kinetic studies using HPLC. The primary products were oligomers, with peroxide groups within the backbone chain, and some monomeric epoxides. These and several secondary products were isolated chromatographically and identified spectroscopically. A reaction scheme was proposed in which the oligomers arise from competitive hydrogen abstraction and addition reactions of oligomeric free radicals with simvastatin while the epoxides arise from homolytic peroxide cleavage.



### CONCERNING THE MECHANISM OF DISPLACEMENT OF NITRO GROUPS FROM ACTIVATED AROMATIC SYSTEMS

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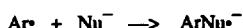
The displacement of nitro groups from various activated aromatic systems by a variety of nucleophiles are subject to inhibition. It is concluded that the aromatic systems are converted to nondissociating radical anions which then react with the nucleophile.

### SOME NOVEL CONCEPTS IN AROMATIC REACTIVITY

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Proposals by Denney & Denney that  $S_{RN}1$  reactions occur instead by the  $S_{RN}2$  mechanism, and that alkoxide hydrodehalogenations likewise involve reaction directly with  $ArX^{\bullet-}$ , raise serious problems.

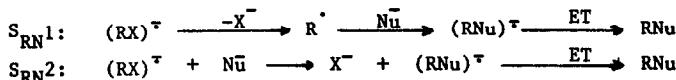


On the S<sub>RN</sub>1 - S<sub>RN</sub>2 Mechanistic Possibilities

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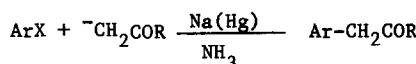
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The S<sub>RN</sub>1 and S<sub>RN</sub>2 mechanistic possibilities are discussed taking into consideration kinetic data, nucleophilic reactivity and reactions of substrates with different leaving groups.

THE S<sub>RN</sub>1 REACTIONS OF ARYL HALIDES WITH CARBANIONS INITIATED BY SODIUM AMALGAM IN LIQUID AMMONIA

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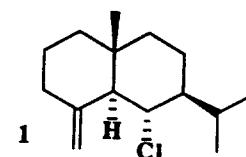
ArX: 1-chloronaphthalene, 2-chloroquinoline  
2-chloropyridine, 4-bromobenzophenone

## ACANTHENES A TO C: A CHLORO, ISOTHIOCYANATE, FORMAMIDE SESQUITERPENE TRIAD ISOLATED FROM THE NORTHEASTERN PACIFIC MARINE SPONGE

*ACANTHELLA* SP. AND THE NUDIBRANCH *CADLINA LUTEOMARGINATA*

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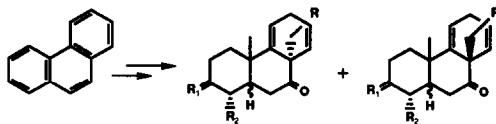
Acanthene A (1), B (2) and C (3), three new eudesmane sesquiterpenoids, have been isolated from the nudibranch *Cadlina luteomarginata* and the sponge *Acanthella* sp., a predator-prey pair. Acanthene A (1) appears to represent the first example of the co-occurrence a chloro sesquiterpenoid analog of sponge isothiocyanate, formamide or isonitrile sesquiterpenoids.



**STEREOSELECTIVE ROUTE TO HIGHLY FUNCTIONALIZED  
4a,8a-SUBSTITUTED- 1,2,3,4,4a,6,8a,9,10,10a-DECAHYDROPHENANTHRENES,  
A NEW ENTRY TO THE QUASSINOID AND FUSIDANE FRAMEWORKS.**

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The title compounds had been prepared, in a stereospecific way from the corresponding benzylic ketones, by a sequence involving a reductive Birch alkylation. The use of oxygenated alkylating agents allowed the introduction of protected alcoholic functions at the angular positions.

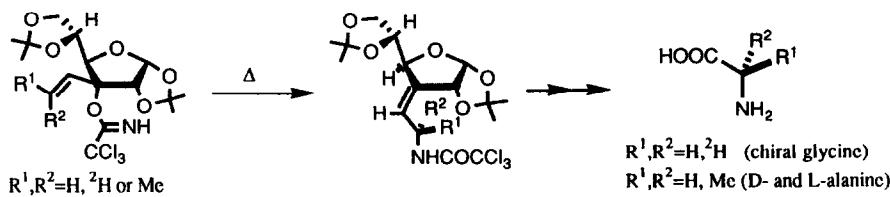


**The Overman Rearrangement on a Diacetone-D-Glucose Template:  
Kinetic and Theoretical Studies on the Chirality Transcription**

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Kinetic and theoretical studies on the chirality transcription using the Overman rearrangement leading to chiral amino acids on a diacetone-D-glucose template were described.



**LIPASE-CATALYZED PEPTIDE SYNTHESIS USING  
Z-AMINO ACID ESTERS AS ACYL DONORS IN  
AQUEOUS WATER-MISCIBLE ORGANIC SOLVENTS**

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Influence of an added organic cosolvent, pH of buffer, concentration of a nucleophile, and reaction temperature on lipase-catalyzed peptide synthesis was studied.



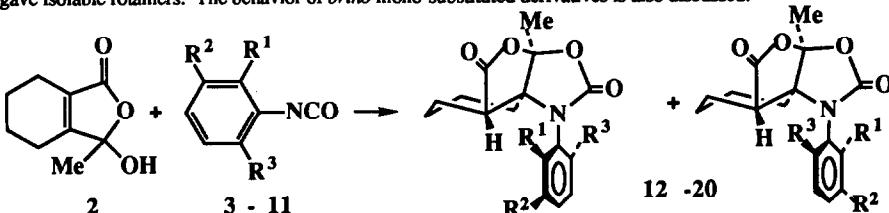
Z : Benzyloxycarbonyl , Et : Ethyl , PPL : Porcine pancreas lipase

**SYNTHESIS AND STEREOCHEMICAL BEHAVIOR OF  
1-ARYLOCTAHYDROISOBENZOFURO[7a,1-d]OXAZOLE RING SYSTEM:  
NEW EXAMPLES OF ISOLABLE ROTAMERS.**

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Reaction of hydroxylactone **2** with isocyanates **3 - 11** gave the corresponding **12 - 20** in good yields. Among them, *ortho*-di-substituted ones gave isolable rotamers. The behavior of *ortho* mono-substituted derivatives is also discussed.

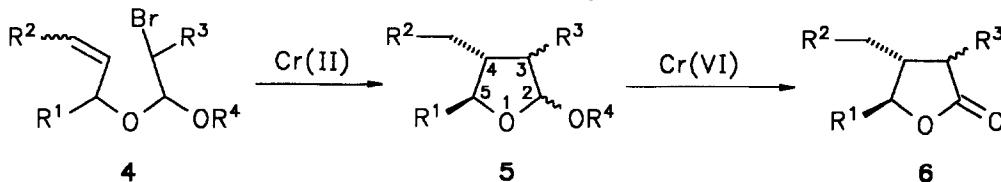


**NEW METHODS FOR REDUCTIVE FREE-RADICAL CYCLIZATIONS  
OF  $\alpha$ -BROMOACETALS TO 2-ALKOXYTETRAHYDROFURANS WITH ACTIVATED CHROMIUM(II)-ACETATE**

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The tetrahydrofurans **5** (75-93 %) are oxidized to the  $\gamma$ -butyrolactones **6** (71-97 %). The diastereoselectivity of the cyclization depends on the substitution pattern of **4** and ranges between 30.4 : 1 to 1 : 54.8.

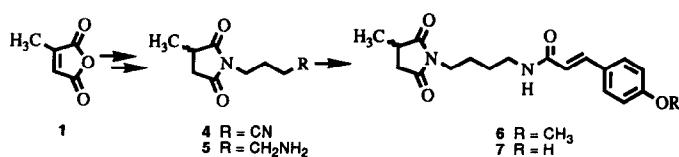


**Simple Synthesis of ( $\pm$ )-(E)-3-(4-Hydroxyphenyl)-N-[4-(3-methyl-2,5-dioxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)butyl]-2-propenamide, a Novel Phenolic Amide Derivative from the Bulbs of *Lilium regale* WILSON**

Paul Kuehne and Manfred Hesse\*

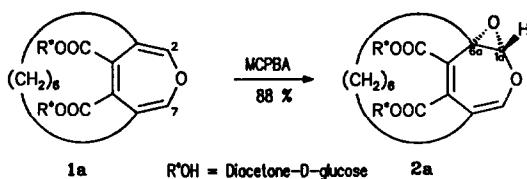
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A preparation of ( $\pm$ )-(E)-3-(4-hydroxyphenyl)-N-[4-(3-methyl-2,5-dioxo-1-pyrrolidinyl)butyl]-2-propenamide (**7**) is described. Overall yield was 45%.



DI-[3-O-(1,2:5,6-DIISOPROPYLIDENE)- $\alpha$ -D- AND  
 $\alpha$ -L-GLUCOFURANOSYL]-3,6-HEXANOXEPINE-4,5-DICARBOXYLATE

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The stereoselective epoxidation of (-)-1a and its enantiomer (+)-1b is described.

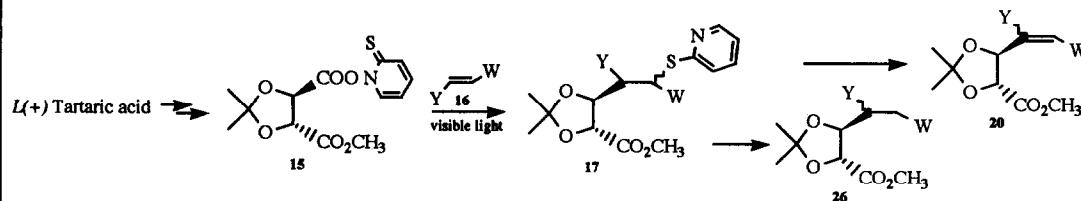
## RADICAL DECARBOXYLATIVE ALKYLATION OF

## TARTARIC ACID

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*Carbon radicals generated by the photolysis of 15 add stereoselectively to the olefin 16 to give the addition product 17 with retention of configuration at the dioxolane ring. Oxidation-elimination and reduction of the thiopyridyl group gave the derivatives 20 and 26.*

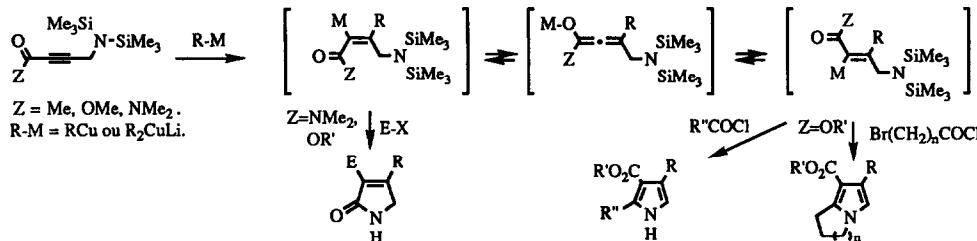


## AMINOSILANES IN ORGANIC SYNTHESIS. ADDITION OF ORGANOCOPPER REAGENTS

ON  $\gamma$ -BIS(TRIMETHYLSILYL)AMINO- $\alpha$ -ACETYLENIC AMIDES, ESTERS AND KETONES.

## STEREOCHEMISTRY AND SOME SYNTHETIC USES.

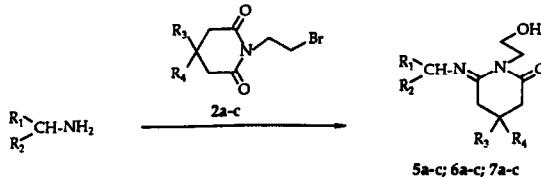
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**Synthèse de N-(2-Hydroxyéthyl)iminoglutarimides  
à partir de N-(2-Bromoéthyl)glutarimides**

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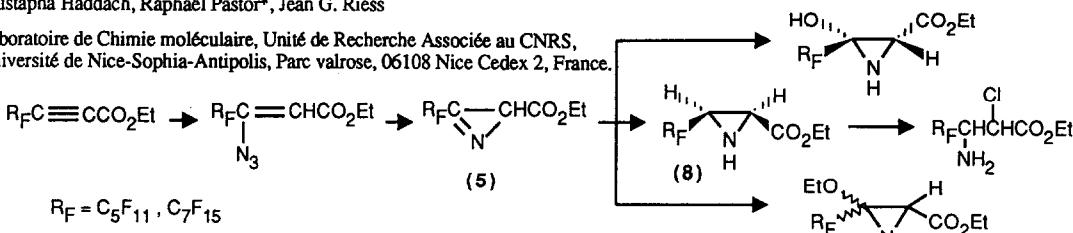
Conditions : K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, DMF, 60°C (68-82%)

Une synthèse générale de N-(2-hydroxyéthyl)iminoglutarimides est décrite.

**SYNTHESE ET REACTIVITE DE NOUVEAUX SYNTHONS PERFLUOROALKYLES.  
COMPORTEMENT ATYPIQUE DES AZIRINES ET AZIRIDINES F-ALKYLEES**

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The reactivity of *F*-alkyl substituted azirines (5) and aziridines (8) is different from that of their hydrocarbon analogues.

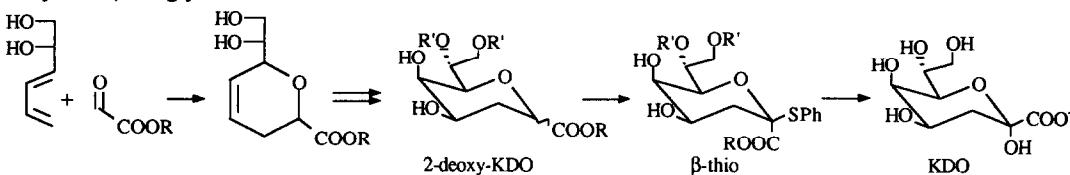
**New Strategy in the Synthesis of**

**3-Deoxy-D-manno-2-octulosonic acid (KDO),  
2-Deoxy-KDO and Thioglycoside of KDO**

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This strategy lies on an aqueous hetero Diels-Alder reaction with a water-soluble diene derived from D-glyceraldehyde, followed by dihydroxylation, bis-inversion and oxidation. This synthesis leads to 2-deoxy-KDO, thioglycoside of KDO and KDO.



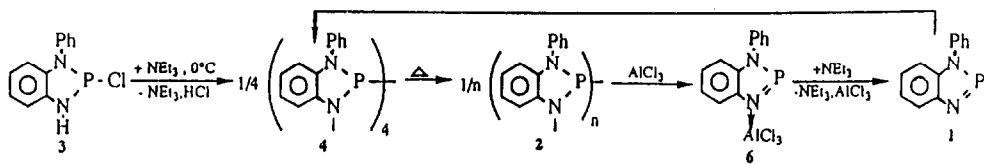
IS THE PREVIOUSLY DESCRIBED N-PHENYL 4,5-BENZO 1,3,2 DIAZAPHOSPHOLE A DICOORDINATED PHOSPHORUS COMPOUND ?

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A synthesis of the N-phenyl cyclotetraphosphazane 4 and the N-phenyl cyclophosphazane 2 via the 1-phenyl 2-chloro 1,3,2-diazaphospholine 3

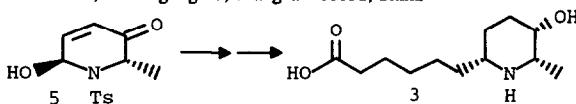
One have characterized the complexed dicoordinated phosphorus compound 6 obtained by complexation of 2 with AlCl<sub>3</sub>.



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A NEW CONCISE STEREOSELECTIVE TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF (+)-AZIMIC ACID

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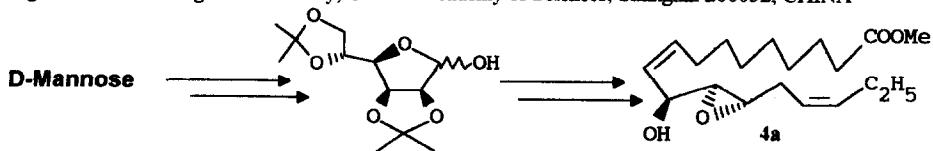
A new concise stereoselective total synthesis of (+)-azimic acid, which is the immediate precursor of macrocyclic dilactone azimine, has been achieved in eleven steps from (2S, 6S)-6-hydroxy-2-methyl-N-tosyl-Δ<sup>4</sup>-piperidone-3 (5) with an high overall yield (36%).

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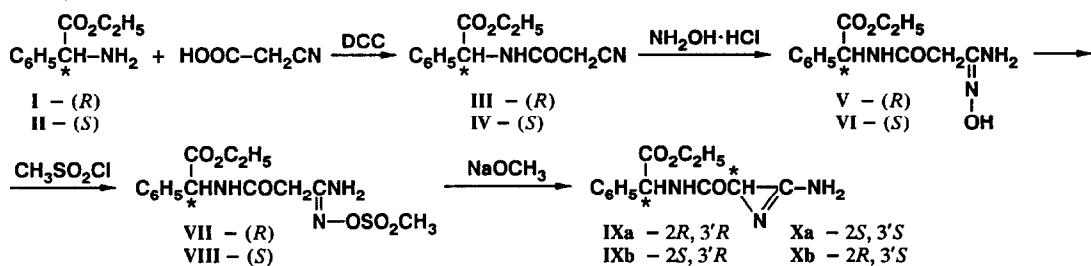
STEREOSELECTIVE SYNTHESIS OF METHYL (11S,12S,13S)-(9Z,15Z)-11-HYDROXY-12,13-EPOXY OCTADECADIEENOATE FROM D-MANNOSE

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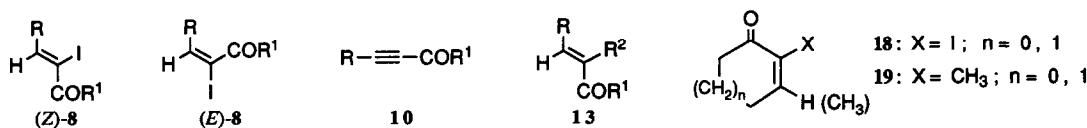
**NEW SYNTHETIC APPLICATIONS OF ORGANOTIN COMPOUNDS: SYNTHESIS OF STEREODEFINED 2-IODO-2-ALKENONES, 2-SUBSTITUTED (*E*)-2-ALKENONES AND 2-METHYL-2-CYCLOALKENONES**

Tetrahedron, 1993, 49, 4677

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Compounds (*Z*)- and (*E*)-8, which have been prepared from compounds 10, undergo Pd-catalyzed reaction with organostannanes to give the cross-coupled products, 13, having in general E-stereochemistry.

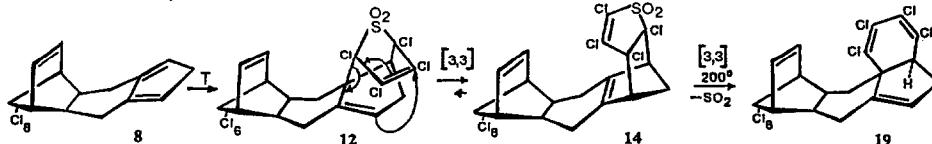
Compounds 18 also undergo Pd-catalyzed reaction with  $\text{SnMe}_4$ , to give 2-methyl-2-cycloalkenones, 19.



**SEQUENTIAL CYCLOADDITION-CYCLOREVERSION-CYCLOADDITION-COPE REARRANGEMENT WITH AN ANNELATED NORBORNADIENE AND ELECTROPHILIC DIENES. UNUSUAL  $[\pi^2_s + \pi^2_a + \sigma^2_a]$  TRANSFORMATION OF A PENTACYCLO-[11.4.0.1<sup>7,10</sup>.0<sup>4,11</sup>.0<sup>6,11</sup>]OCTADECA-3,8,14,17-TETRAENE.**

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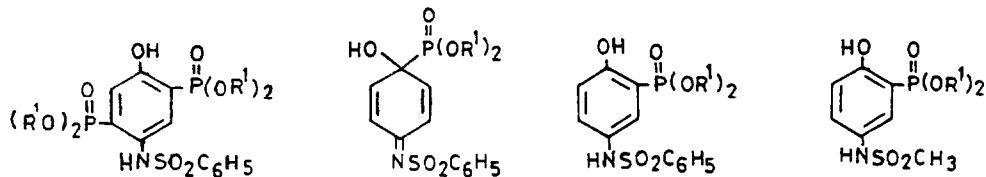
At 25–60°C, Tetrachlorothiophenedioxide as diene captures 8 ( $\xrightarrow{T}$ ) giving in 1:1 ratio *syn*-*endo* adduct 12 (and *anti*-*endo* isomer 13) which Cope rearrange into sulphones 14 (and 15); at  $\sim 200^\circ\text{C}$  retro-Cope sigmatropy with concomitant loss of  $\text{SO}_2$  gives from 14 (and 15) isomers of decachloropentacyclotetraenes, e.g. 19 (and 20). Tetracycline also captures 8 giving an arylated carbonyl-bridge adduct which extrudes  $\text{CO}$ , the product undergoing an unusual  $[\pi^2_s + \pi^2_a + \sigma^2_a]$  transformation.

## THE NOVEL BEHAVIOUR OF DIALKYL PHOSPHITES

## TOWARD 1,4-BENZOQUINONE MONOIMINES

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## REDUCTIVE QUENCHING OF EXCITED STATES OF CHROMIUM(III)-POLYPYRIDYL COMPLEXES WITH ALKYL ARYL SULPHIDES

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The change of quenching rate constant,  $k_q^*$ , with the structure of organic sulphides for the photoreduction of  $\text{Cr}(\text{NN})_3^{3+}$  ( $\text{NN}=\text{bpy}$ , phen) is explained in terms of Marcus model and electron transfer distance. The oxidised products, sulphoxides in aerated solutions, are accounted for by the formation of singlet oxygen.

## SYNTHESIS OF [a]ANNULATED CARBAZOLES FROM INDOL-2,3-DIONES

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Photoelectrocyclization of 3-(2-aryl-2-ethoxycarbonyloxy)ethenyl]-2-(ethoxycarbonyloxy)indole-1-carboxylates **6**, prepared from 3-arylmethylindol-2(3H)-ones **5**, affords the corresponding [a]annulated carbazoles **10**. E.g. for furo[3,2-a]carbazole:

