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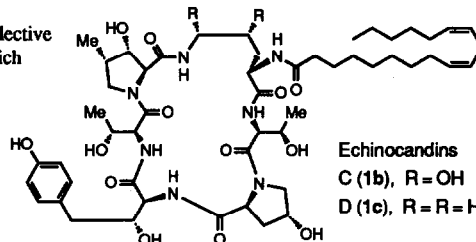
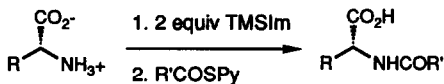
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SYNTHETIC STUDIES ON ANTIFUNGAL CYCLIC PEPTIDES, ECHINOCANDINS. STEREOSELECTIVE TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF ECHINOCANDIN D VIA A NOVEL PEPTIDE COUPLING

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Total synthesis of echinocandin D (1c) has been accomplished via a stereoselective synthesis of its constituent amino acids followed by the peptide coupling which was accompanied by the development of an efficient coupling method using unprotected amino acid and trimethylsilyl imidazole (TMSIm).

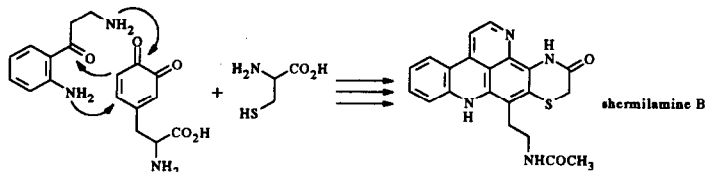


Biosynthesis of Shermilamine B

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The biosynthesis of shermilamine B is proposed which involves tryptophan, dopamine and cysteine.

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MICROWAVE HEATING AS A NEW WAY TO INDUCE SELECTIVITY BETWEEN COMPETITIVE REACTIONS. APPLICATION TO CONTROL OF ISOMERIC RATIO IN SULFONATION OF NAPHTHALENE

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Heating rate associated with microwave heating are used to control isomeric ratio in sulfonation of naphthalene. General considerations about use of microwave heating in organic syntheses are also considered. The authors show specificities of microwave heating in terms of reactivity, associated with control of very fast heating rate.

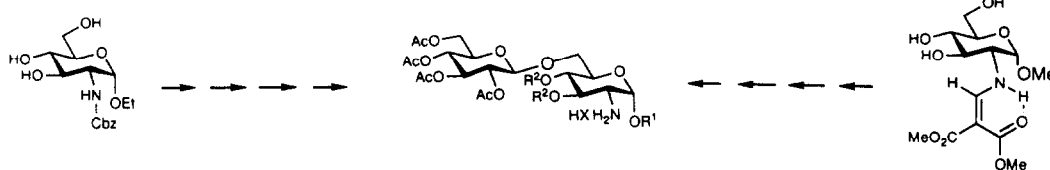
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SYNTHESES OF *O*-PROTECTED 2-AMINO-2-DEOXY-GENTIOBIOSIDE HYDROHALIDES.

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The title compounds are synthesized from *N*-protected 2-amino-2-deoxy-D-glucosides using two different *N*-protecting groups. The best overall yields are obtained when the Cbz group is used. Several partially protected aminoglucosides are also prepared.



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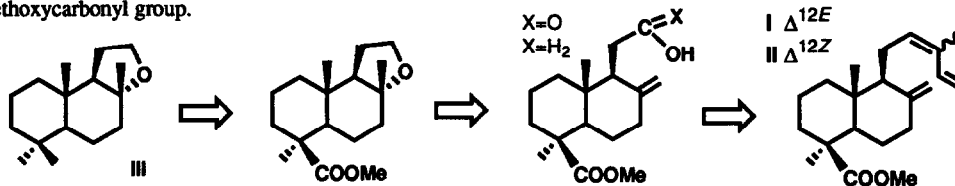
SYNTHESIS OF AMBROX[®] FROM COMMUNIC ACIDS

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The methyl esters of the communic acids (I, II) have been converted into (-)-ambrox (III) through the selective degradation of their side chains, stereoselective formation of the tetrahydrofurane ring, and reduction of the axial methoxycarbonyl group.

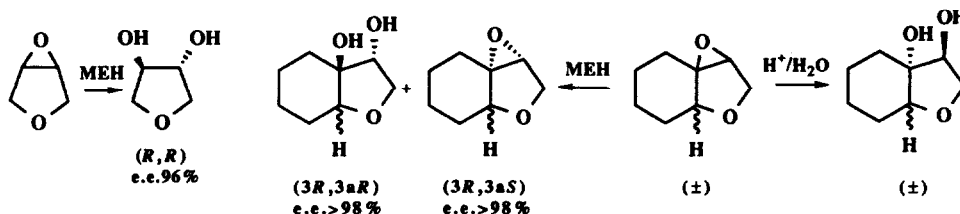


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Regio- and Stereochemistry of the Acid Catalyzed and of a Highly Enantioselective Enzymatic Hydrolysis of Some Epoxytetrahydrofurans.

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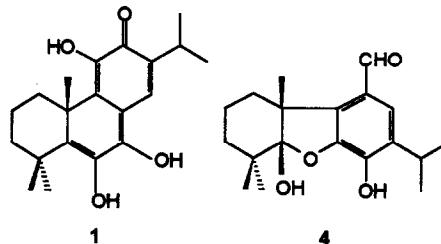
Highly enantioselective hydrolyses with microsomal epoxide hydrolase (MEH). Opposite regioselectivity in acid catalyzed hydrolyses



NEW DITERPENES FROM SALVIA MUNZII: CHEMICAL AND BIOGENETIC ASPECTS

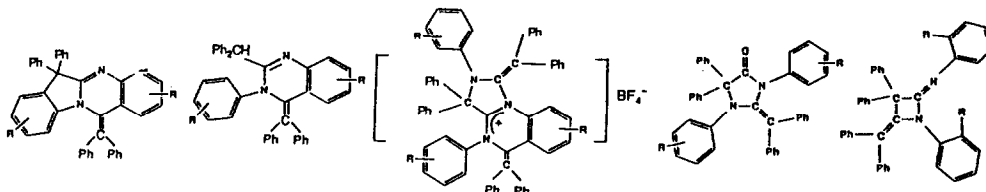
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New natural diterpenes, 5,6-didehydro-7-hydroxy-taxodone 1, and salvicanaraldehyde 4 and known compounds were isolated from the roots of *Salvia munzii* and characterized from their spectroscopic data and by chemical correlations. Our earlier hypothesis of a biogenetic pathway to highly oxidized abietatriene diterpenes involving enzymatic dehydrogenation and singlet-state oxygen was further confirmed.

**ELECTRONIC, STERIC AND ACID-BASE EFFECTS ON THE ANODIC OXIDATION OF ARYL-SUBSTITUTED KETENE IMINES**

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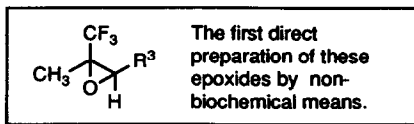
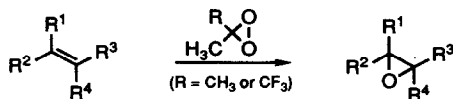
Abstract: The electrochemical properties of nine aryl-substituted ketene imines of type $\text{XC}_6\text{H}_4\text{N}=\text{C}=\text{CPh}_2$ have been studied by cyclic voltammetry, in dichloromethane and acetonitrile. Their anodic oxidation leads to various heterocycles, depending on the nature of substituent, its position on the aryl ring, and the experimental conditions.

**REGIO- AND CHEMOSELECTIVE EPOXIDATION OF FLUORINATED MONOTERPENES AND SESQUITERPENES BY DIOXIRANES**

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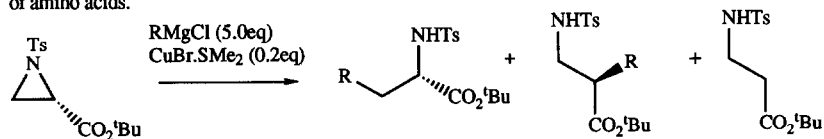
Trend in ease of epoxidation: $(\text{CH}_3)(\text{R}^1)\text{C}=\text{CH}(\text{R}^3) \equiv (\text{CH}_3)(\text{R}^1)\text{C}=\text{CH}(\text{CH}_2\text{OR}^5) \equiv (\text{CH}_3)(\text{R}^1)\text{C}=\text{CF}(\text{R}^3) \gg (\text{CH}_3)(\text{R}^1)\text{C}=\text{CH}(\text{COOR}^5) > (\text{CF}_3)(\text{R}^1)\text{C}=\text{CH}(\text{R}^3)$.

AMINO ACID SYNTHESIS VIA RING OPENING OF N-SULPHONYL AZIRIDINE-2-CARBOXYLATE ESTERS WITH ORGANOMETALLIC REAGENTS

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Ring opening of N-sulphonyl aziridine-2-carboxylate esters with organometallic reagents was investigated as a method for the synthesis of amino acids.



Periselectivity in the Reactions of Cyclopentadienones with 8-Aryl-8-azaheptafulvenes

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