

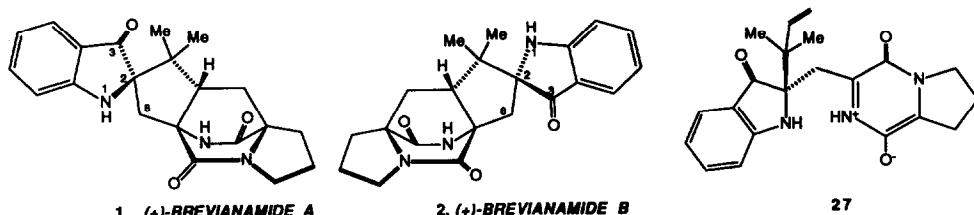
## GRAPHICAL ABSTRACTS

**BIOSYNTHESIS OF BREVIANAMIDES A AND B:  
IN SEARCH OF THE BIOSYNTHETIC DIELS-ALDER  
CONSTRUCTION.** Juan F. Sanz-Cervera, Tomasz Glinka, and Robert M. Williams\*

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*Tetrahedron*, 1993, 49, 8471

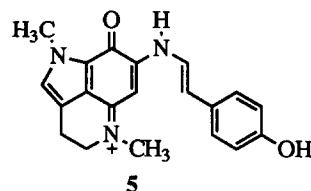
Studies on the biosynthesis of brevianamides A (1) and B (2). Compound 27 is proposed as a key biosynthetic intermediate.



*Tetrahedron*, 1993, 49, 8483

**MAKALUVAMINE G, A CYTOTOXIC PIGMENT FROM THE INDONESIAN SPONGE *HISTODERMELLA* SP.**  
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Makaluvamine G (5) was isolated from the sponge *Histodermella* sp. The compound shows significant *in vitro* cytotoxicity to several human tumor cell lines and inhibits topoisomerase-I ( $IC_{50} = 3 \mu M$ ), RNA (15  $\mu M$ ), DNA (15  $\mu M$ ) and protein (21  $\mu M$ ) synthesis.

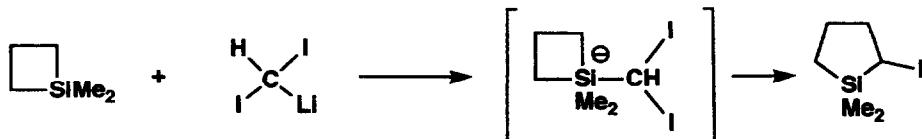


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**LITHIUM CARBENOID INDUCED RING ENLARGEMENT  
OF SILACYCLOBUTANE INTO 2-HALO-1-SILACYCLOPENTANE  
AND ITS USE IN ORGANIC SYNTHESIS**

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An addition of lithium diisopropylamide to a solution of 1,1-dimethyl-1-silacyclobutane and dihalomethane provided the corresponding 1,1-dimethyl-2-halo-1-silacyclopentane in good yield.



**A COVENIENT ROUTE TO  $\beta$ -ARYL-SUBSTITUTED CYCLIC ENAMINES AS KEY SYNTHETIC INTERMEDIATES OF SCELETIUM AND AMARYLLIDACEAE ALKALOIDS**

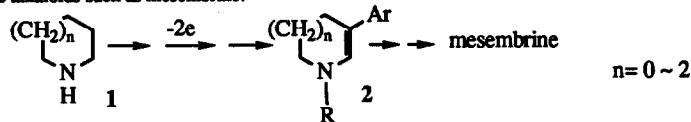
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$\beta$ -Aryl-substituted cyclic amines 2 were prepared from corresponding cyclic amines 1 by utilizing anodic oxidation and they were used as building blocks for some alkaloids such as mesembrine.



**Nucleosides and Nucleotides. 120.**

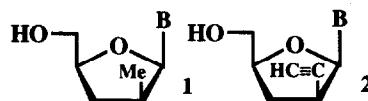
**Stereoselective Radical Deoxygenation of *tert*-Alcohols**

**in the Sugar Moiety of Nucleosides: Synthesis of 2',3'-Dideoxy-2'-C-methyl- and -2'-C-ethynyl- $\beta$ -D-*threo*-pentofuranosyl Pyrimidines and Adenine as Potential Antiviral and Antitumor Agents**

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Synthesis of 1 and 2 was achieved via radical deoxygenation of the corresponding *tert*-methoxalyl ester.



**I-MENTHYL (*R*)-2-PHENYL-4-OXO-1,3-DIOXINE-2-CARBOXYLATE: DIASTEREOFACIAL SELECTIVITY FOR CONJUGATE ADDITION AND ITS EXPLANATION**

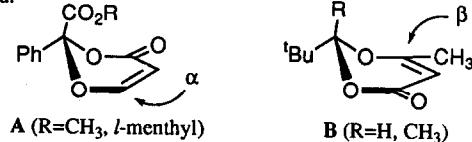
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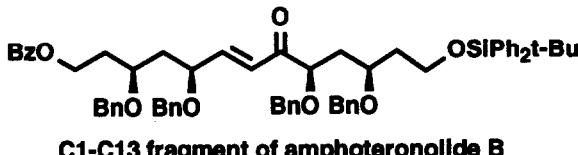
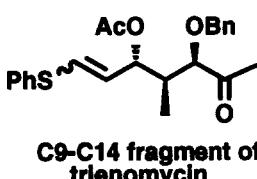
Conjugate addition of RMgX/CuI to A proceeds from the  $\alpha$ -side. This selectivity is reverse to that observed in B. A possible reason for this difference is proposed.



**A Carbohydrate Approach to Polyl Fragments of Amphotericin and the Trienomycin- and Mycotrienin Antibiotics**

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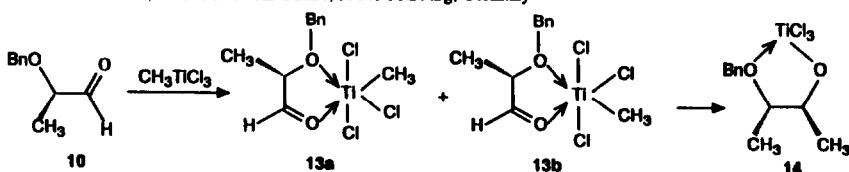
Synthesis of enantiomerically pure segments of macrolide antibiotics by reductive ring opening of deoxyhalo sugars with Zn/Ag-graphite.

**First Direct NMR Spectroscopic Observation of a Cram-Chelate Involving a Chiral  $\alpha$ -Alkoxy Aldehyde**

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$^{13}\text{C}$ -NMR spectroscopic evidence for the Cram-type chelates 13a/13b has been obtained.



**SYNTHESIS AND ELECTROCHEMICAL INVESTIGATION OF  $\beta$ -ALKYLOXY SUBSTITUTED meso-TETRA-PHENYL-PORPHYRINS**

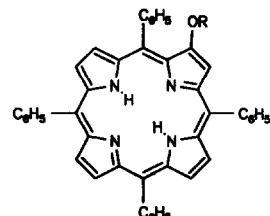
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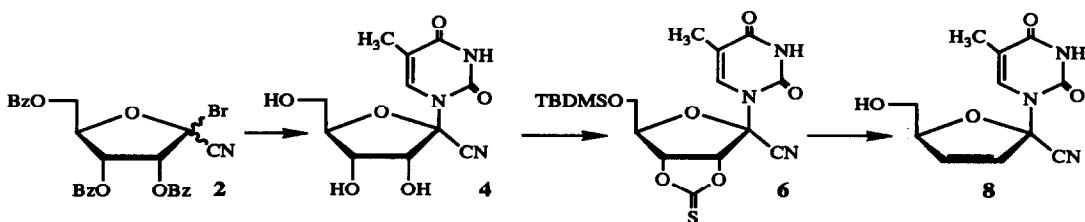
The synthesis of alkyloxy substituted porphyrins is described. The electrochemical properties of the synthesized compounds were investigated by cyclic voltammetry.



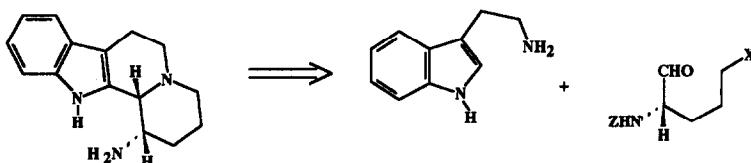
**SYNTHESIS AND STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF THE FIRST  
1'-C-CYANO- $\beta$ -D-NUCLEOSIDES**

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The 1'-C-cyanonucleoside 4, obtained from the C-1 *gem* disubstituted sugar 2, was converted in four steps into the olefinic nucleoside 8.



**STEREOSPECIFIC PICTET-SPENGLER REACTION:  
SYNTHESIS OF CIS (+)-(1S,12bR)-1-AMINOINDOLOQUINOLIZIDINE FROM A PURE  $\alpha$ -(S)-AMINO-  
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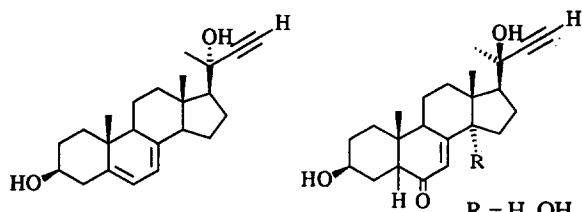
Pictet-Spengler reaction provides cis (+)-1-(S)-aminoindolo[2,3-a]quinolizidine in an enantio- and diastereoselective manner, using an  $\alpha$ -aminoaldehyde derived from L-glutamic acid.

**INHIBITION OF ECDYSONE BIOSYNTHESIS : PREPARATION OF  
ACETYLENIC INTERMEDIATES**

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The synthesis of a  $\Delta^{4,7}$  pregnadiene and its hydroboration-oxidation leads to inhibitors analogue of ecdysone precursors.



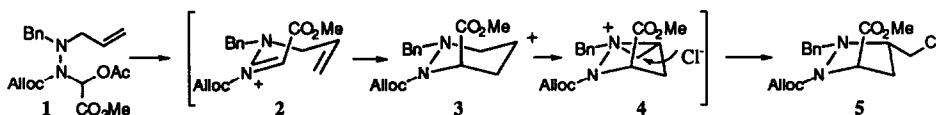
**SYNTHESIS OF CYCLIC  $\alpha$ -HYDRAZINO ACID DERIVATIVES  
VIA *N*-ACYLHYDRAZONIUM IONS**

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The synthesis of cyclic  $\alpha$ -hydrazino esters of different ring sizes is described. Cyclization occurs via the highly reactive *N*-acylhydrazonium ion 2, to give the cyclic cationic intermediate 3. This species might either rearrange via the aziridinium intermediate 4 to afford the five-membered ring 5, or when stabilized, directly lead to the cyclic  $\alpha$ -hydrazino ester.



Variation of the  $\pi$ -nucleophiles furnishes various functionalized  $\alpha$ -hydrazino esters. A deprotection sequence that leads to the free cyclic  $\alpha$ -hydrazino acids is also detailed.

**ELECTROSTATIC EFFECTS IN 1,3-DIPOLAR**

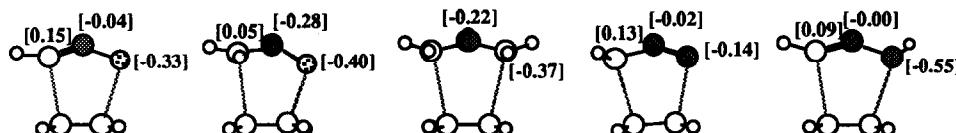
**CYCLOADDITION REACTIONS TO CHIRAL ALLYL ETHERS:**

**A RATIONALE FOR THE EXPERIMENTALLY OBSERVED DIASTEREORESELECTIVITIES**

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A rationale is provided for differences in stereoselectivities for 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions based on T.S.s charge distribution. This was evaluated with two different methods (Mulliken and CHELPG) on the *ab initio* located RHF/3-21G transition structures for model reactions. The trend observed in *ab initio* charge distributions offers a rationale for the experimentally observed diastereoselectivities and allows predictions of reactivity.

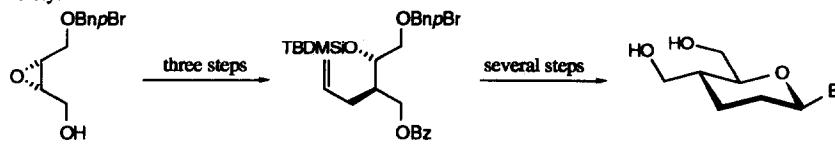


**SYNTHESIS OF 4-C-HYDROXYMETHYL HEXOPYRANOSYL NUCLEOSIDES AS  
POTENTIAL INHIBITORS OF HIV.**

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4-C-Hydroxymethyl hexopyranoside nucleosides are synthesised using a Sharpless epoxidation procedure followed by a regioselective epoxide opening with allylmagnesium bromide giving the required chirality of the hexopyranoside moiety.



**CYLINDRICINES A AND B, NOVEL ALKALOIDS  
FROM THE ASCIDIAN *CLAVELINA CYLINDRICA***

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The ascidian *Clavelina cylindrica* has given cylindricine A, the first pyrrolo[2.1-j]quinoline known from nature and cylindricine B, the first example of the new pyrido-[2.1-j]quinoline ring system. Single crystal X-ray studies support the structures.

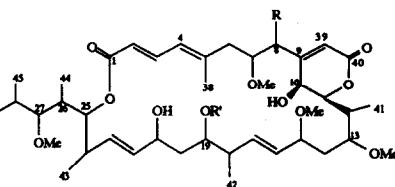


**Three New Potent Cytotoxic Macrolides Closely Related to Sphingolide from the New Caledonian Sponge**

***Neosiphonia superstes*.**

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Three new potent cytotoxic macrolides closely related to sphingolide (2 R=H, R'=H; 3 R=OMe, R'=Me; 4 R=H, R'=Me) have been isolated from the sponge *Neosiphonia superstes*. Their structure elucidation and activity against several human carcinoma cells is reported.



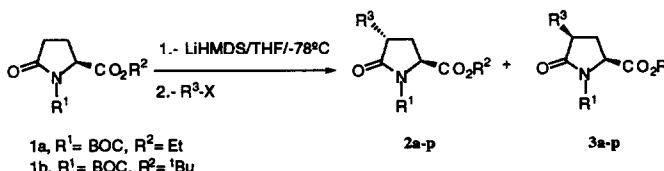
**STEREOSELECTIVE REACTIONS OF LITHIUM ENOLATES  
DERIVED FROM N-BOC PROTECTED PYROGLUTAMIC ESTERS.**

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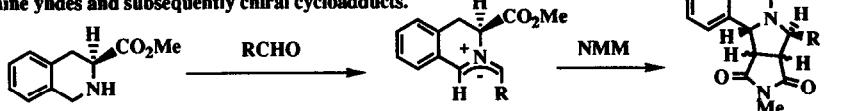
Lithium enolates of 1a and 1b react with reactive electrophiles in good yields without epimerization of the chiral centre. The stereoselectivity of the process is not dependent on the ester group bulkiness.

X=Y-ZH SYSTEMS AS POTENTIAL 1,3-DIPOLES. PART 40.<sup>1</sup>

## CHIRAL AZOMETHINE YLIDES FROM HOMOCHIRAL CYCLIC

 $\alpha$ -AMINO ESTERS. UNUSUAL REGIOSPECIFIC DEPROTONATION OF IMINIUM IONS.

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Chiral tetrahydroisoquinoline and tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline  $\alpha$ -amino esters react with bifunctional aldehydes to furnish chiral azomethine ylides and subsequently chiral cycloadducts.

## Reaction of Phosphonium Ylides with 4-Triphenylmethyl-1,2-benzoquinone

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