Graphical abstracts

The uses of pincer complexes in organic synthesis

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Pincer complexes consist of a tridentate skeleton bound to a metal by at least one metal-carbon σ bond. The highly protected environment for the resident metal gives pincer complexes with excellent potential as catalysts in a wide variety of organic reactions.







Synthetic studies of furanosesquiterpenoid tetrahydrolinderazulenes. Total synthesis of (±)-echinofuran

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H₂O-MeOH

Functionalised linear and cross-linked polystyrenes from chloromethylated polymers through their organolithium derivatives

TentaGel OH resin

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 $[Electrophile: H_2O, D_2O, Me_3SiCl, Et_3SiCl, PhMe_2SiCl, Bu'CHO, PhCHO, Et_2CO, (CH_2)_5CO, Ph_2CO, ClCO_2Et, ClCO_2CH_2Ph, CO_2, PhCOCl, Bu'COCl, HCONMe_2, PhCH=NPh, CH_2=CHCH_2Br, CH_2=C(Me)CH_2Br, Ph_2PCl].$

 $\begin{array}{c|c} \textcircled{P} & \underset{DTBB (10\%)}{\overset{\text{Li}}{\longrightarrow}} \left[\begin{array}{c} \textcircled{P} & \underset{I}{\overset{\text{Li}}{\longrightarrow}} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{1. \text{ Electrophile}} \begin{array}{c} \textcircled{P} & \underset{I}{\overset{\text{Li}}{\longrightarrow}} \end{array} \\ \hline \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{1,15} & \overbrace{I,III} \end{array} \xrightarrow{1. \text{ Electrophile}} \begin{array}{c} \overbrace{P} & \underset{I}{\overset{\text{Li}}{\longrightarrow}} \end{array} \xrightarrow{2-12,16-32} \end{array}$

SmI₂ mediated synthesis of 2,3-disubstituted indole derivatives

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A novel preparation of 2,3-disubstituted indole derivatives was achieved through SmI_2 induced intramolecular reductive coupling reactions.







Ring-chain tautomerism in 2-substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydroquinazolines A ¹H, ¹³C and ¹⁵N NMR study

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Preparation of glycoluril monomers for expanded cucurbit[n]uril synthesis

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One-pot synthesis of *N*-substituted pantolactams from pantolactone

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Novel asymmetric total synthesis of the natural (+)-6-epicastanospermine

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