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Fresh, Simple, and Powerful! The Research Philosophy of Professor Ryoji Noyori

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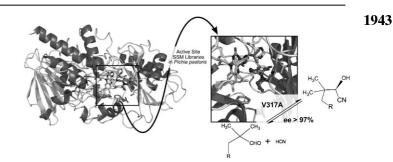
Hisashi Yamamoto\*

#### COMMUNICATIONS

Efficient Biocatalytic Synthesis of (R)-Pantolactone

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1943-1948

Beate Pscheidt, Zhibin Liu, Richard Gaisberger, Manuela Avi, Wolfgang Skranc, Karl Gruber, Herfried Griengl, Anton Glieder\*



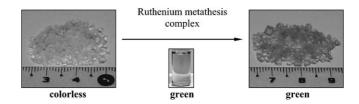


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1949 Silica Immobilized Second Generation Hoveyda-Grubbs: A Convenient, Recyclable and Storageable Heterogeneous Solid Catalyst

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1949-1953

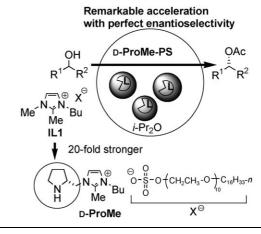
Boris Van Berlo, Kristof Houthoofd, Bert F. Sels,\* Pierre A. Jacobs\*



**1954** Remarkable Activation of an Enzyme by (*R*)-Pyrrolidine-Substituted Imidazolium Alkyl PEG Sulfate

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1954-1958

Yoshikazu Abe, Takuya Hirakawa, Shino Nakajima, Nagisa Okano, Shuichi Hayase, Motoi Kawatsura, Yoshihiko Hirose, Toshiyuki Itoh\*



1959 Candida antarctica Lipase B (CAL-B)-Catalyzed Carbon-Sulfur Bond Addition and Controllable Selectivity in Organic Media

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1959-1962

- Feng-Wen Lou, Bo-Kai Liu, Qi Wu, De-Shui Lv, Xian-Fu Lin\*
- **Markovnikov** CAL-B, diisopropyl ether 3a - c [1a+2a,2b,2c] 3d, e [1b+2a,2b] [1c+2a] <sup>anti</sup>-Markovnikov 2 CAL-B, DMF  $R^2=$ C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>CH<sub>2</sub> 1a CH<sub>3</sub> n- $C_4H_9$ 1b *n*-C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub> **2b** - **c** [1a+2a,2b,2c] 4a *n*-C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>25</sub> **1c** n-C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>9</sub> 2c [1b+2a,2b] 4d. e [1c+2a]
- **1963** Rhodium-Catalyzed Oxidative Homocoupling of Boronic Acids

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1963-1967

☐ Thomas Vogler, Armido Studer\*

R-B(OH)<sub>2</sub> + N R = aryl, alkenyl N RhCl(PPh<sub>3</sub>) R-R up to 86% 10 examples

PA-Pd1 (5 mol%)

CH<sub>3</sub>CN, 80 °C, air

1968 Highly Efficient and Reusable Polyaniline-Supported Palladium Catalysts for Open-Air Oxidative Heck Reactions under Base- and Ligand-Free Conditions

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1968-1974

Pravin R. Likhar,\* Moumita Roy, Sarabindu Roy, M. S. Subhas, M. Lakshmi Kantam, B. Sreedhar

PA-Pd1

B(OH)<sub>2</sub>

CO<sub>2</sub>Bu

94%

CO<sub>2</sub>Bu

1975

1979

1984

1991

1996

Alkenes from Alcohols by Tandem Hydrogen Transfer and Condensation

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1975-1978

Michael I. Hall, Simon J. Pridmore, Jonathan M. J. Williams\*

Enantioselective Synthesis of Optically Active Alkanephosphonates via Rhodium-Catalyzed Asymmetric Hydrogenation of  $\beta$ -Substituted  $\alpha,\beta$ -Unsaturated Phosphonates with Ferrocene-Based Monophosphoramidite Ligands

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1979-1983

Zheng-Chao Duan, Xiang-Ping Hu,\* Dao-Yong Wang, Jia-Di Huang, Sai-Bo Yu, Jun Deng, Zhuo Zheng\*

Rh(COD)<sub>2</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (1 mol%)  

$$H_2$$
 (40 atm),  $CH_2CI_2$ , r.t.

Highly Modular P-O-P Ligands for Asymmetric Hydrogenation

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1984-1990

Héctor Fernández-Pérez, Miquel A. Pericàs, Anton Vidal-Ferran\*

and 15 additional examples (including *N*-Ac, *N*-Boc, *N*-Cbz, *N*-Fmoc, o-, *m*- and *p*-aryl substituted groups, amongst other substituents: 92 – 99% ee)

Catalytic Asymmetric β-Peroxidation of Nitroalkenes

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1991-1995

Alessio Russo, Alessandra Lattanzi\*

Aerobic Oxidation of Alcohols under Mild Conditions Catalyzed by Novel Polymer-Incarcerated, Carbon-Stabilized Gold Nanoclusters

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 1996-2000

PI/CB-Au = Polymer Incarcerated, Carbon Black-stabilized Au nanocluster

Céline Lucchesi, Takeshi Inasaki, Hiroyuki Miyamura, Ryosuke Matsubara, Shū Kobayashi\*

**2001** Highly Efficient Amine Organocatalysts Based on Bispidine for the Asymmetric Michael Addition of Ketones to Nitroolefins

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2001-2006

- Zhigang Yang, Jie Liu, Xiaohua Liu, Zhen Wang, Xiaoming Feng,\* Zhishan Su, Changwei Hu\*
- **2007** Glycerol as An Efficient Promoting Medium for Organic Reactions

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2007-2012

Yanlong Gu, Joël Barrault, François Jérôme\*

#### **FULL PAPERS**

2013 A New Class of 3'-Sulfonyl BINAPHOS Ligands: Modulation of Activity and Selectivity in Asymmetric Palladium-Catalysed Hydrophosphorylation of Styrene

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2013-2023

Katalin Barta, Giancarlo Franciò, Walter Leitner,\* Guy C. Lloyd-Jones,\* Ian R. Shepperson

2024 Impact of Incorporating Substituents onto the P-o-Anisyl Groups of DiPAMP Ligand on the Rhodium(I)-Catalyzed Asymmetric Hydrogenation of Olefins

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2024-2032

Borut Zupančič, Barbara Mohar,\* Michel Stephan\*

CO<sub>2</sub>R Rh(I)-4MeBigFUS N-Ac-amino acids, 99% ee 2-Me-succinate, 87% ee Hydratropic acid, 88% ee

 $R^1$ ,  $R^2$ ,  $R^3$ ,  $R^4$  = MeO, TMS, t-Bu, Ph, or fused benzene ring

4MeBigFUS:  $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = MeO$ 

**2033** Chiral Bis(*N*-arylamino)phosphine-oxazolines: Synthesis and Application in Asymmetric Catalysis

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2033-2038

Marc Schönleber, Robert Hilgraf, Andreas Pfaltz\*

$$R^{1} \xrightarrow{R^{2}} R^{4} \xrightarrow{S0 \text{ bar } H_{2}, \text{ CH}_{2}Cl_{2}, \text{ 2 h, 23 °C}} \mathbb{R}^{1} \xrightarrow{R^{2}} \mathbb{R}^{2}$$

2039

Highly Efficient Chemoenzymatic Synthesis of Methyl (*R*)-o-Chloromandelate, a Key Intermediate for Clopidogrel, *via* Asymmetric Reduction with Recombinant *Escherichia coli* 

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2039-2044

Tadashi Ema,\* Sayaka Ide, Nobuyasu Okita, Takashi Sakai\*

Synthesis of Stereodefined Substituted Cycloalkenes by a One-Pot Catalytic Boronation–Allylation–Metathesis Sequence

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2045-2051

Nicklas Selander, Kálmán J. Szabó\*

$$\begin{array}{c} OH \\ & \stackrel{[1]_{cal}}{\xrightarrow{B_2 \text{Pin}_2}} \left[ (\text{RO})_2 \text{B} \right] \\ & \text{not isolated} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow{\text{PhSe} - \text{Pd} - \text{SePh}} \underbrace{ \left[ (\text{RO})_2 \text{B} \right]_{[2]_{cal}} }_{\text{not isolated}} \underbrace{ \left[ (\text{RO})_2 \text{B} \right$$

Copper-Catalyzed Oxybromination and Oxychlorination of Primary Aromatic Amines Using LiBr or LiCl and Molecular Oxygen

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2052-2058

Luciano Menini, Joyce C. da Cruz Santos, Elena V. Gusevskaya\*

Gold Catalysis: Synthesis of 3-Acylindenes from 2-Alkynylaryl Epoxides

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2059-2064

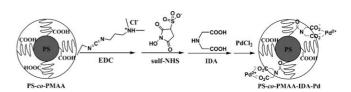
A. Stephen K. Hashmi,\* Miriam Bührle, Ralph Salathé, Jan W. Bats

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & 5 \text{ mol}\% \\ H & \underline{[(Ad)_2(\textit{n}-Bu)PAu]NTf_2} \\ R^1 & \text{benzene} \\ \end{array}$$

Palladium-Iminodiacetic Acid Immobilized on pH-Responsive Polymeric Microspheres: Efficient Quasi-Homogeneous Catalyst for Suzuki and Heck Reactions in Aqueous Solution

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2065-2076

☐ Jianzheng Zhang, Wangqing Zhang,\* Yao Wang, Minchao Zhang



2065

2059

2052

### **2077** Biphasic Hydrogenation of Olefins by Functionalized Ionic Liquid-Stabilized Palladium Nanoparticles

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2077-2085

Yu Hu, Yinyin Yu, Zhenshan Hou,\* Huan Li, Xiuge Zhao, Bo Feng

# 2086 Sharpless Asymmetric Dihydroxylation of Olefins in WaterSurfactant Media with Recycling of the Catalytic System by Membrane Nanofiltration

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2086-2098

Luis C. Branco,\* Frederico Castelo Ferreira, José L. Santos, João G. Crespo,\* Carlos A. M. Afonso\*

$$R' = \begin{pmatrix} \textbf{(a)} \\ K_2OsO_2(OH)_4 \\ \hline DHQD\text{-based chiral ligand} \\ \hline co\text{-oxidant } [K_3Fe(CN)_6 \text{ or NMO}] \\ \hline water-surfactant \\ \end{pmatrix} R'$$

7 examples: yields and ee higher or comparable to waterorganic solvent system

(b) nanofiltration

- ⇒ No slow addition of olefins is required
- ⇒ Catalytic system efficiently reused for 6 cycles

#### **UPDATES**

## **2099** Ruthenium-Catalyzed Synthesis of Secondary Alkylamines: Selective Alkylation with Aliphatic Amines

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2099-2103

Sebastian Bähn, Dirk Hollmann, Annegret Tillack, Matthias Beller\*

#### **2104** Photooxygenation Catalysis with a Polyol-Decorated Disc-Shaped Porphyrin Sensitizer: Shell-Recognition Effects

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2104-2108

Axel G. Griesbeck,\* Mathias Schäfer, Johannes Uhlig

# **2109** Efficient Synthesis of Substituted Selenophenes Based on the First Palladium(0)-Catalyzed Cross-Coupling Reactions of Tetrabromoselenophene

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2109-2117

Dång Thanh Tùng, Alexander Villinger, Peter Langer\*

**2118** Straightforward Synthesis of Perhydrofuro[2,3-*b*]furans through a Wacker-Type Reaction

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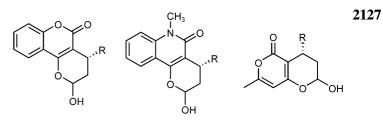
Francisco Alonso,\* Daniel Sánchez, Tatiana Soler, Miguel Yus\*

2133

Enantioselective Organocatalytic Reactions of 4-Hydroxycoumarin and 4-Hydroxypyrone with  $\alpha,\beta$ -Unsaturated Aldehydes – An Efficient Michael Addition-Acetalization Cascade to Chromenones, Quinolinones and Pyranones

Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2127-2131

Magnus Rueping,\* Estíbaliz Merino, Erli Sugiono



R = alkyl, aryl

more than 20 examples, up to 95% ee

### **BOOK REVIEW**

Catalysis: Concepts and Green Applications By Gadi Rothenberg Adv. Synth. Catal. 2008, 350, 2133-2134

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