

Special Issue: Synthesis

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Editorial

Essential to Amino Acids is an authoritative synthesis section. This special issue represents the third in a series dedicated to this area of research, the previous two being published in 1996 and 1999. Reviews and articles present original results obtained in the field of amino acids/medicinal chemistry: the use of amino acids as chiral synthons in the synthesis of biologically active molecules; the synthesis and biological activity of unusual/non-proteinogenic amino acids or of more complex structures containing them, as well as peptide

chemistry. These topics illustrate perfectly the present challenges in this area of research, and should stimulate further investigations.

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