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Theoretical Chemistry—Quo Vadis?

The greatest scientific advance in the next decade will be the transition to sustainable and biobased chemistry ..." This and more about Jürgen O. Metzger can be found on page 9237.

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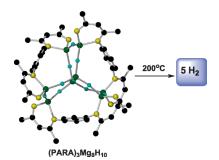
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Hydrogen Storage

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A Record-Breaking Magnesium Hydride Molecular Cluster: Implications for Hydrogen Storage

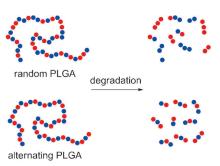


Hydride carrier: Making significant progress on the road towards practical hydrogen storage materials for mobile applications, inorganic chemistry shows us how to build the largest ligand-supported magnesium hydride cluster known to date (see picture).

Polymer Sequences

C. M. Thomas,* J.-F. Lutz* _ 9244 - 9246

Precision Synthesis of Biodegradable Polymers



It's all in the sequence: The primary structure of poly(lactic-co-glycolic acid) (PLGA), a member of the most widely used class of biodegradable polymers employed in biomedical applications, is demonstrated to strongly influence its degradation properties. Experimental studies evidenced the beneficial effect of ordered monomer sequences on the material properties (see picture).

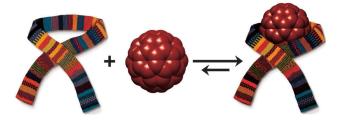
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Fullerene Receptors

D. Canevet, E. M. Pérez,

N. Martín* _____ 9248 - 9259

Wraparound Hosts for Fullerenes: Tailored Macrocycles and Cages



All wrapped up: In the field of fullerene recognition, chemists are currently facing new challenges dealing with the selective extraction of higher fullerenes, their chiral resolution, or their organization in

molecular materials. In this regard, the new generation of macrocyclic hosts looks particularly promising and has already allowed important breakthroughs.

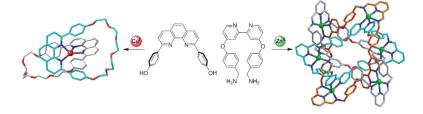
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Knots and crossings: Metal ions have been employed in diverse ways in the assembly of mechanically interlocked architectures (see scheme). The range of

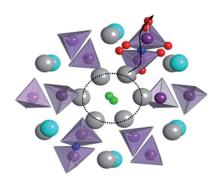
product topologies spans from catenanes and rotaxanes to trefoil knots, Solomon links, and Borromean rings.

Reviews

Interlocked Molecules

J. E. Beves, B. A. Blight, C. J. Campbell, D. A. Leigh,*
R. T. McBurney _______ 9260 – 9327

Strategies and Tactics for the Metal-Directed Synthesis of Rotaxanes, Knots, Catenanes, and Higher Order Links



Germanium-based apatite compounds are fast oxide-ion conductors for potential use in fuel cells. A combination of solid-state ¹⁷O NMR spectroscopy, atomistic modeling, and DFT techniques help to elucidate oxygen defect sites and novel cooperative mechanisms of ion conduction. The picture shows oxygen diffusion in the studied apatite compound from molecular dynamics simulations.

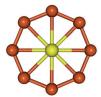
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Fuel Cells

P. M. Panchmatia, A. Orera, G. J. Rees, M. E. Smith, J. V. Hanna,* P. R. Slater,* M. S. Islam* ______ 9328 – 9333

Oxygen Defects and Novel Transport Mechanisms in Apatite Ionic Conductors: Combined ¹⁷O NMR and Modeling Studies









 $Ru@B_9^-(D_{9h})$

Perfect symmetry: Photoelectron spectroscopy and theoretical calculations show that the B_8 and B_9 rings are stabilized by the metal atoms in $Co@B_8^-$ and $Ru@B_9^-$, which possess D_{8h} and D_{9h} symmetry, respectively (see picture). The bonding between the metal atom and the boron ring is described by six delocalized σ electrons and six delocalized π electrons, which result in double aromaticity.

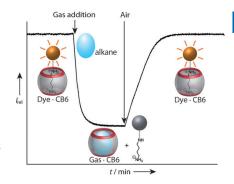
Aromaticity

C. Romanescu, T. R. Galeev, W. L. Li, A. I. Boldyrev,* L. S. Wang* **9334-9337**

Aromatic Metal-Centered Monocyclic Boron Rings: $Co@B_8^-$ and $Ru@B_9^-$



Hydrocarbons are no longer afraid of water when they are reversibly encapsulated by cucurbituril (see picture). The pumpkin-shaped molecular container displays a high affinity and selectivity towards neutral molecules in salt-free aqueous solutions. A supramolecular sensing ensemble, composed of cucurbit[6]uril and an anchored indicator dye, is introduced as a highly sensitive fluorescence-based online detection tool for gas binding in solution.



Supramolecular Chemistry

M. Florea, W. M. Nau* ____ 9338-9342

Strong Binding of Hydrocarbons to Cucurbituril Probed by Fluorescent Dye Displacement: A Supramolecular Gas-Sensing Ensemble



Artificial Cells

R. Krishna Kumar, X. Yu, A. J. Patil, M. Li, S. Mann* ______ 9343 – 9347



Cytoskeletal-like Supramolecular Assembly and Nanoparticle-Based Motors in a Model Protocell



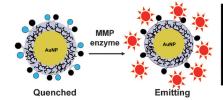
Busting a move: Enzyme-mediated assembly of an amino acid derived supramolecular hydrogel is used to produce a vesicle-based protocell model with a primitive cytoskeletal-like interior. The vesicles show temperature-induced changes in morphology (see picture), and undergo chemically driven self-propulsion when Pt nanoparticles are attached to their external surface and H₂O₂ is added to the solution.

Imaging Agents

I. C. Sun, D. K. Eun, H. Koo, C. Y. Ko, H. S. Kim, D. K. Yi, K. Choi, I. C. Kwon, K. Kim,* C. H. Ahn* ______ 9348 – 9351



Tumor-Targeting Gold Particles for Dual Computed Tomography/Optical Cancer Imaging







Double spotlight: A dual imaging probe with gold nanoparticles (AuNPs) for computed tomography (CT) and optical imaging exhibits have been developed (see picture). The excellent stability, tumor targeting ability, enhanced X-ray

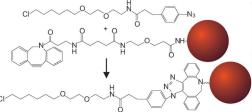
absorption, and matrix metalloproteinase (MMP) activatable fluorescence recovery was achieved by surface modification of AuNPs with glycol chitosan and fluorescent MMP peptide probes.

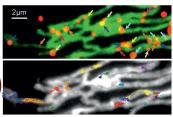
Nanoparticles in Biology

D. Liße, V. Wilkens, C. You, K. Busch, J. Piehler* _______ 9352 – 9355



Selective Targeting of Fluorescent Nanoparticles to Proteins Inside Live Cells





Tracking single proteins in cells: An optimized substrate based on a click reaction was designed for specific, irreversible targeting of nanoparticles to proteins fused to an engineered halo-

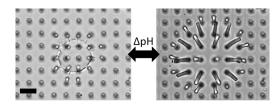
alkane dehalogenase (HaloTag) in the cytoplasm of life cells. Thus, proteins in the membrane of mitochondria could be tracked over extended times and with nanometer resolution (see picture).

Hydrogels

L. D. Zarzar, P. Kim, M. Kolle, C. J. Brinker, J. Aizenberg,* B. Kaehr* ____ 9356 – 9360



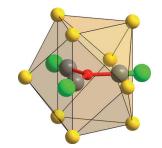
Direct Writing and Actuation of Three-Dimensionally Patterned Hydrogel Pads on Micropillar Supports



Written response: Freely swelling, threedimensionally patterned responsive hydrogels fabricated by multiphoton lithography on the tips of flexible pillars provide unique capabilities for the design of adaptive systems. The resulting materials have tunable actuation direction and angle, sensitive optical response, and precise spatial integration of gels with varying pH and temperature response (see picture; scale bar: $20 \mu m$).



More than meets the eye: The trigonalplanar complex [Co(CN)₃]⁶⁻ (see structure, Co red, C gray, N green; alkalineearth-metal counterions are yellow) has some surprises in store. The CN ligand displays variation in bond length and charge, and Co follows a closed-shell (d10) concept.



Metalates



P. Höhn,* F. Jach, B. Karabiyik, Y. Prots, S. Agrestini, F. R. Wagner, M. Ruck, L. H. Tjeng, R. Kniep* _____ 9361 - 9364

Sr₃[Co(CN)₃] and Ba₃[Co(CN)₃]: Crystal Structure, Chemical Bonding, and Conceptional Considerations of Highly Reduced Metalates



Watson-Crick interactions: The conjugation of nucleobases (B=thymine, adenine, cytosine, and guanine; see picture) with small peptides affords a novel kind of supramolecular nanofibers and hydrogelators, which exhibit a high biocompatibility and biostability and are regarded as promising new biomaterials.

Supramolecular Hydrogels

X. M. Li, Y. Kuang, H.-C. Lin, Y. Gao, J. F. Shi, B. Xu* ___ _____ 9365 – 9369

Supramolecular Nanofibers and Hydrogels of Nucleopeptides



Diastereoselectivity in control: The synthetic utility of the C-H functionalization/ Cope rearrangement reaction has been greatly expanded by the design of substrates that will react through a boat

transition state instead of a chair transition state. The products are formed with the opposite diastereoselectivity as previously obtained (see scheme, ABSA = acetamidobenzenesulfonylazide).

C-H Functionalization

Y. Lian, K. I. Hardcastle, H. M. L. Davies* _ 9370 - 9373

Computationally Guided Stereocontrol of the Combined C-H Functionalization/ Cope Rearrangement



Fluid Particle Motion SiO CI^ P(Cy) = Monomer

Polymer powered! A polymerization reaction has been used to power the first micromotor outside biological systems. The motor employs a form of Grubbs' catalyst asymmetrically bound to gold-

silica Janus microspheres (see picture). These motors show increased diffusion of up to 70% when placed in solutions of the monomer. The motors also exhibit chemotaxis when placed in a monomer gradient.

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Micromotors

R. A. Pavlick, S. Sengupta, T. McFadden, H. Zhang, A. Sen* _____ __ 9374-9377

A Polymerization-Powered Motor



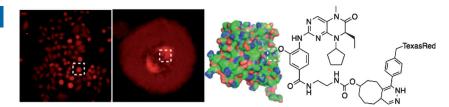
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Live Cell Imaging

G. Budin, K. S. Yang, T. Reiner, R. Weissleder* ______ 9378 – 9381



Bioorthogonal Probes for Polo-like Kinase 1 Imaging and Quantification



Click inside: A nuclear protein target, polo-like kinase 1 (PLK1) was imaged using a biocompatible bioorthogonal ligation between a specific drug and a fluorescent dye in live cells (see picture). Colocalization of the dye and the protein

target was confirmed by antibody staining and by expressing a GFP construct of PLK1. The two-step PLK1 imaging procedure was used to quantify PLK1 expression levels in cancer cell lines of various tissue origins.

Organocatalysis

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F. Costantino, L. Testaferri, M. Tiecco,

F. Marini* ______ 9382 - 9385



A Highly Enantioselective One-Pot Synthesis of Spirolactones by an Organocatalyzed Michael Addition/ Cyclization Sequence

$$\begin{array}{c} \mathsf{R} & \mathsf{O} \\ \mathsf{R}^{1} & \mathsf{CO}_{2} t \mathsf{Bu} + \\ \mathsf{SeO}_{2} \mathsf{F} \end{array}$$

Spiroring in control: A novel organocatalytic Michael addition/cyclization sequence based on the bis(electrophilic) properties of vinyl selenones has been successfully employed for the synthesis of densely functionalized spirocyclic com-

cinchona-alkaloid derived catalyst in toluene at RT then silica gel

pounds (see scheme). By using a simple one-pot procedure and mild reaction conditions, spirocyclic compounds were synthesized in high yields and with high levels of enantioselectivity (90–98% ee).



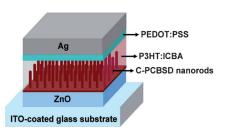
Organic Solar Cells

C.-Y. Chang, C.-E. Wu, S.-Y. Chen, C. Cui, Y.-J. Cheng, C.-S. Hsu,* Y.-L. Wang,* Y. Li _______ 9386 – 9390





Enhanced Performance and Stability of a Polymer Solar Cell by Incorporation of Vertically Aligned, Cross-Linked Fullerene Nanorods

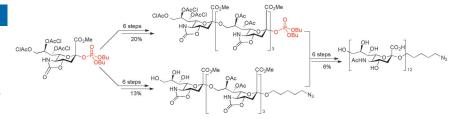


Let the sun shine in: Highly efficient and stable polymer bulk-heterojunction solar cells can be achieved by the incorporation of vertically oriented, cross-linked polymer nanorods (see picture). The device exhibits a record power conversion efficiency of 7.3%.

Oligosaccharides



Efficient and Stereoselective Synthesis of $\alpha(2\rightarrow 9)$ Oligosialic Acids: From Monomers to Dodecamers

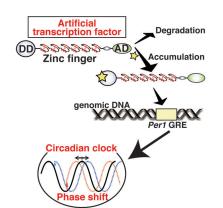


The chain gang: The $\alpha(2 \rightarrow 9)$ dodecasialic acid has been stereoselectively synthesized in 12 steps by using a convergent block synthesis (see scheme). The use of chloroacetyl protecting groups and a

phosphate group as a leaving group led to the improvement of the α selectivity of the glycosylation reactions, thus allowing synthesis of oligomers.



I got rhythm: The circadian clock is driven by transcription—translation feedback loops. The circadian time can be altered by creating an artificial zinc finger protein specifically binding to the glucocorticoid responsive element (GRE) on the *Period1* promoter (see picture; DD = destabilizing domain, AD = activation domain). This artificial protein directly controls the clock machinery.

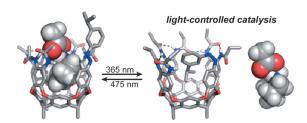


Circadian Rhythm

M. Imanishi,* A. Nakamura, M. Doi, S. Futaki, H. Okamura* ____ 9396-9399

Control of Circadian Phase by an Artificial Zinc Finger Transcription Regulator





Supramolecular Catalysis

O. B. Berryman, A. C. Sather, A. Lledó, J. Rebek, Jr.* ______ 9400 – 9403

Switchable Catalysis with a Light-Responsive Cavitand



Catalytic guest stars: A cavitand with an azobenzene wall adopts an introverted shape when irradiated with UV light. This conformation has been characterized in solution and the solid state and is used to

control guest binding. By incorporating an organocatalyst guest, the rate of the Knoevenagel condensation is controlled with light.



On the double: A highly packed interlayer-crosslinked micelle (HP-ICM) with pH and reduction sensitivity was developed for targeted drug release (see picture; DTT = dithiothreitol, red circles = doxorubicin). The HP-ICM suppresses drug leakage in blood circulation while rapidly releasing drug inside lysosomes of cancer cells. Biological studies revealed the potential of the dual-sensitive HP-ICM in

cancer treatment.

Drug Delivery

J. Dai, S. Lin, D. Cheng, S. Zou, X. Shuai* _______ 9404 – 9408

Interlayer-Crosslinked Micelle with Partially Hydrated Core Showing Reduction and pH Dual Sensitivity for Pinpointed Intracellular Drug Release



Less is more: The rational optimization and general applicability of the catalytic system Pd(OAc)₂/pyridine is described (see scheme). The catalyst shows excellent reactivity in the C–H oxygenation of simple aromatic substrates. The Pd/pyridine ratio is critical as the use of one equivalent of pyridine per Pd center leads to dramatic enhancements in both reactivity and site selectivity in comparison to Pd(OAc)₂ alone.

enhanced scope, selectivity

C-H Activation

M. H. Emmert, A. K. Cook, Y. J. Xie,
M. S. Sanford* ______ 9409 – 9412

Remarkably High Reactivity of Pd(OAc)₂/ Pyridine Catalysts: Nondirected C—H Oxygenation of Arenes



Polycyclic Aromatics

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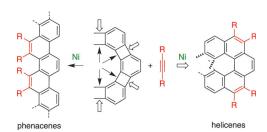
R. Padilla, H. Shen, T. V. Timofeeva,

P. Tongwa, K. P. C. Vollhardt,*

A. A. Yakovenko ______ 9413 - 9417



Activated Phenacenes from Phenylenes by Nickel-Catalyzed Alkyne Cycloadditions



Going zigzag, helical, or in-between: Angular phenylenes show a propensity for adding alkynes from the bay region in processes catalyzed by [Ni(cod)(PMe₃)₂] (see scheme). These transformations generate novel strain- and electronically activated phenacenes. Mechanistic studies in conjunction with DFT calculations (R = Ph) provide a plausible mechanistic picture.

Multicomponent Reactions

S. Santra, P. R. Andreana* _ 9418 - 9422



A Bioinspired Ugi/Michael/Aza-Michael Cascade Reaction in Aqueous Media: Natural-Product-like Molecular Diversity



Whole in one! A one-pot microwave-assisted reaction sequence that consists of an Ugi/Michael/aza-Michael transformation gives access to quaternary spirocenters leading to *Amaryllidaceae* and *Erythrina* alkaloid like compounds (see

scheme). The process produces four stereogenic centers and six contiguous bonds, and provides products with good to excellent yields and appreciable diastereoselectivity.

Photochemistry

O. A. Mukhina, N. N. Bhuvan Kumar, T. M. Arisco, R. A. Valiulin, G. A. Metzel,

A. G. Kutateladze* _____ 9423 - 9428



Rapid Photoassisted Access to N,O,S-Polyheterocycles with Benzoazocine and Hydroquinoline Cores: Intramolecular Cycloadditions of Photogenerated Azaxylylenes



Ring the changes: A new photoassisted approach to give conformationally constrained N,O,S-polyheterocyclic scaffolds of unprecedented topologies was achieved by intramolecular [4+4] and [4+2] cycloadditions of photogenerated

o-azaxylylenes (23 examples; see scheme). The precursors can be readily assembled by simple and high-yielding reactions, thus making this a powerful synthetic method amenable to high-throughput diversity-oriented synthesis.

C-H Arylation

J. Cornella, M. Righi,

I. Larrosa* ______ 9429 - 9432



Carboxylic Acids as Traceless Directing Groups for Formal *meta-Selective Direct* Arylation

20 examples

Without a trace: The first *meta*-selective direct C—H arylation that uses iodoarenes as coupling partners is reported (see scheme, EWG = electron-withdrawing group). This process utilizes carboxylic

acid units as temporary directing groups that are cleaved during the reaction, leaving no trace in the resulting biaryl products.



$$C_6F_5$$

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$$NBS, NH_4OH$$

$$CH_3CN/H_2O$$

$$C_6F_5$$

$$X = H, Br$$

A new route to rare porphyrinoids: The non-innocence of the corrole ring allows the oxidative ring insertion of a nitrogen atom under mild conditions (see scheme; NBS = N-bromosuccinimide). The resulting meso-substituted azaporphyrins

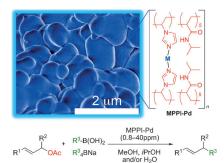
exhibit high-energy Soret absorption bands and red luminescence. This new synthetic route will allow for the development of novel azaporphyrin complexes with relevance to the study of biomimetic oxidations.

Corrole Expansion

Nitrogen Insertion into a Corrole Ring: Iridium Monoazaporphyrins



Gobs of globules: A polymeric imidazole/acrylamide palladium catalyst, MPPI-Pd (M = Pd"Cl and Pd°), was utilized for the allylic arylation/alkenylation of allylic esters with aryl/alkenylboronic acids and tetraaryl borates. Low catalyst loadings efficiently promoted the reaction with a catalytic turnover number of 20000–1250000. The catalyst can be reused without loss of catalytic activity.



Supramolecular Catalysts

S. M. Sarkar, Y. Uozumi,*
Y. M. A. Yamada* ______ 9437 - 9441

A Highly Active and Reusable Self-Assembled Poly(Imidazole/Palladium) Catalyst: Allylic Arylation/Alkenylation



Long arm of the law: The long-armed phosphoramidite 1 was used as a catalyst for the title reaction of acyclic alkylidene β -ketoesters with dialkylzinc and fluorinating reagents. The products, containing

adjacent carbon- and fluorine-substituted stereocenters, are obtained in high yield as well as diastereo- and enantioselectivity. NSFI = N-fluorobenzenesulfonimide.

Asymmetric Catalysis

L. Wang, W. Meng, C.-L. Zhu, Y. Zheng, J. Nie, J.-A. Ma* _______ 9442 – 9446

The Long-Arm Effect: Influence of Axially Chiral Phosphoramidite Ligands on the Diastereo- and Enantioselectivity of the Tandem 1,4-Addition/Fluorination



All together! A unified synthetic strategy has resulted in the first enantioselective total syntheses of the natural products 8-

demethoxyrunanine and cepharatines A, C, and D.

Natural Product Synthesis

K. V. Chuang, R. Navarro,

S. E. Reisman* ______ 9447 – 9451

Short, Enantioselective Total Syntheses of

- (-)-8-Demethoxyrunanine and
- (-)-Cepharatines A, C, and D

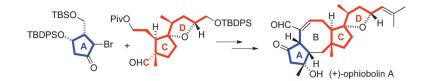


Natural Product Synthesis

K. Tsuna, N. Noguchi,
M. Nakada* ______ 9452 - 9455



Convergent Total Synthesis of (+)-Ophiobolin A



At long last: The enantioselective total synthesis of the title compound, which was isolated in 1958, proceeds by a convergent approach. The assembly of the C, D-ring fragment and the A-ring frag-

ment of the core structure is achieved by employing a Reformatsky-type reaction. The eight-membered carbocyclic B ring is efficiently constructed by a challenging ring-closing metathesis (see scheme).

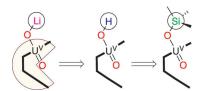
Uranyl Reactivity

P. L. Arnold,* A.-F. Pécharman, J. B. Love* ______ **9456 – 9458**



Oxo Group Protonation and Silylation of Pentavalent Uranyl Pacman Complexes

New bonds for the uranyl: The controlled conversion of an uranyl oxo group ($[UO_2]^+$) into covalently bonded UO $^-$ H and UO $^-$ Si groups is described for pentavalent uranyl Pacman complexes. The unusual oxo $^-$ hydroxy motif is achieved by a protonation reaction and retains the normally unstable U $^{\rm V}$ uranyl oxidation state. This product is readily silylated by treatment with a chlorosilane resulting in UO $^-$ Si bond formation (see scheme).



Alkylation

P. P. Das, I. L. Lysenko, J. K. Cha* ______ **9459 – 9461**



Stereoselective Alkylation of Allylic Alcohols: Tandem Ethylation and Functionalization

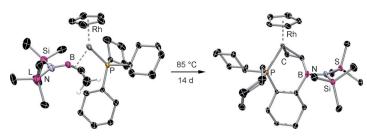
A versatile formal S_N2' alkylation of allylic alcohols has been devised by means of the Kulinkovich reagent and in situ elaboration of the presumed alkyltitanium intermediates with electrophiles (see scheme). The utility of this method has been demonstrated in the stereoselective construction of all-carbon quaternary centers.

Boracumulene Complexes

H. Braunschweig,* Q. Ye, A. Damme, T. Kupfer, K. Radacki, J. Wolf **9462 – 9466**



Synthesis of 1-Aza-2-borabutatriene Rhodium Complexes by Thermal Borylene Transfer from [(OC)₅Mo=BN(SiMe₃)₂]

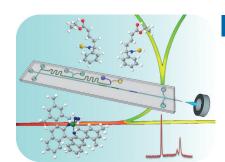


Borylene on me: An unprecedented borylene transfer to metal-carbon double bonds afforded the title compounds. Preliminary studies revealed a thermally induced change of coordination mode from B—C to C—C and subsequent highly

stereoselective C–H activation by the B=C bond. $[(\eta^5-C_5H_5)Rh(PCy_3)\{(B,C-\eta^2)-(SiMe_3)_2N=B=C=CH_2)\}]$ and its rearrangement product were both characterized by X-ray crystallography (see picture).



Organocatalysis meets chip MS: By integrating asymmetric organocatalysis and analysis on a chip (see picture), optimization of reactions can be achieved with minimal consumption of resources in a short period of time.



Lab on a Chip

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Asymmetric Organocatalysis and Analysis on a Single Microfluidic Nanospray Chip



Triple catalysis: The title reaction between α -branched aldehydes and allylic alcohols, which generates all-carbon quaternary stereogenic centers, constitutes the first asymmetric Tsuji–Trost-type α -allylation

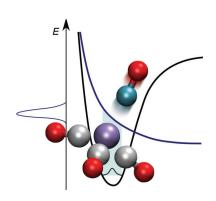
of carbonyl compounds with allylic alcohol (see scheme). This reaction is catalyzed by three different species, [Pd(PPh₃)₄], the chiral Brønsted acid TRIP, and benzhydryl amine.

Triple Catalysis

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Direct Asymmetric α -Allylation of Aldehydes with Simple Allylic Alcohols Enabled by the Concerted Action of Three Different Catalysts





Put a number on it: Absolute cross-sections for dissociative electron attachment (DEA) to the common precursor molecule cobalt tricarbonyl nitrosyl in the gas phase are reported (see scheme, Co dark blue, O red, C gray, N light blue) along with the branching ratios for the negative ions and the electron affinities for the neutral radical fragments. Further, a general mechanism of DEA is proposed for metal–carbonyl compounds.

Gas-Phase Chemistry

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The Role of Dissociative Electron Attachment in Focused Electron Beam Induced Processing: A Case Study on Cobalt Tricarbonyl Nitrosyl



Metal-free and asymmetric: The first enantioselective diamination of styrenes simply requires a chiral hypervalent iodine(III) reagent as an oxidant and bismesylimide as a nitrogen source (see scheme, Ms = methanesulfonyl). The reaction proceeds under mild conditions and with high enantiomeric excess.

Asymmetric Synthesis

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Enantioselective Metal-Free Diamination of Styrenes

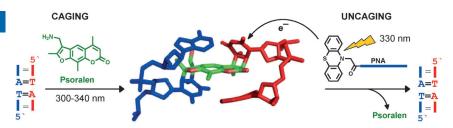


DNA Repair

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Photolyase-like Repair of Psoralen-Crosslinked Nucleic Acids



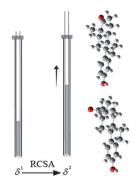
Psoralen-derived photolesions are efficiently repaired by a photolyase-like mechanism. The removal of the interstrand crosslink by photoelectron injection confers control over biochemical

processes by light (see picture). This paves the way to new, site-selective uncaging applications, as demonstrated with a primer extension assay.

Configuration Determination



Residual Chemical Shift Anisotropy (RCSA): A Tool for the Analysis of the Configuration of Small Molecules



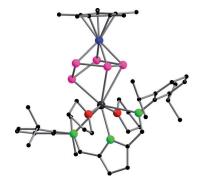
Together we are strong: A new, robust method allows the measurement of residual chemical shift anisotropies for the determination of conformation and configuration of molecules in organic solvents. The power of the method is shown by the example of estrone and 13-epi-estrone (see structures), where only the combined use of residual chemical shift anisotropies and residual dipolar couplings leads to the distinction of the two diastereomers.

Polyphosphides

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Mixed-Metal Lanthanide–Iron Triple-Decker Complexes with a *cyclo*-P₅ Building Block



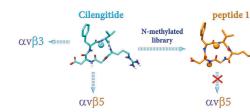
Triple-decker complexes with mixed d/f-block metals that have a purely inorganic middle deck were unknown. A mixed-metal iron–samarium complex is presented with a cyclo-P₅ polyphosphide between the metal centers (see picture; Sm large black, C small black, Fe blue, N green, O red, P pink). This compound can be obtained as either a monomer or a dimer depending on the reaction conditions.

Drug Selectivity

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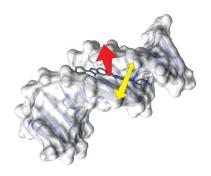


Increasing $\alpha v\beta 3$ Selectivity of the Anti-Angiogenic Drug Cilengitide by N-Methylation



A subtle change: Structural changes upon amide bond methylation improve the selectivity of the anti-angiogenic drug Cilengitide, which after N-methylation at distinct positions discriminates between the closely related pro-angiogenic integrins $\alpha v \beta 3$ and $\alpha v \beta 5$ (see scheme).





Riding the waves: In a DNA-ligand complex, the time-dependent Stokes shift shows initial oscillation. Molecular dynamics simulations help assign this ripple to coherent in/out motion of the ligand together with breathing of the minor groove (see picture).

Femtosecond Spectroscopy

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Detection of DNA-Ligand Binding Oscillations by Stokes-Shift Measurements





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Corrigendum

Photoredox Catalysis: A Mild, Operationally Simple Approach to the Synthesis of α -Trifluoromethyl Carbonyl Compounds

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This Communication contains a typesetting mistake. In Table 2, inadvertently the same chemical equation was used as in Table 3. The correct Table 2 is shown below.

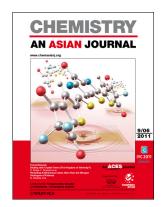
Table 2: Trifluoromethylation of enolsilanes: ketone scope.



Entry		Product		Yield ^[a]	
0	R =	1: H	92%	4 : I	83%
	CF ₃	2: OMe	78%	<i>5</i> : Br	85%
		3: CN	66%	6: CI	85%
R ×				7: F	80%
O CF ₃	CF	CF ₃		O CF ₃	
8: 72% ^[b]	Me Me	10: X = 0	O ^[e] 64%	12: R = E	Boc ^[e] 73%
O_CF ₃	9: 74% ^[c,d]	11: X = \$	S ^[e] 72%	13: R = 0	Cbz ^[e] 59%
	I.		CF ₃		CF ₃
14: 68% ^e	15: 84% ^[b]			<i>16</i> : 76%	

[a] Yield of isolated product; $SiR_3 = TIPS$ unless otherwise noted. [b] TES ether employed. [c] TBS ether employed. [d] 2.2:1 d.r. [e] With NaHCO₃ in MeCN and TES ether.

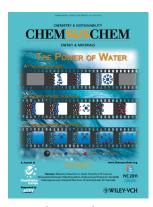
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