# The irregular terpene synthase ...

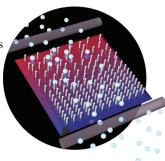


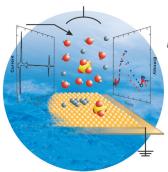


... lavandulyl diphosphate synthase (LPPS) produces the precursor of the commercially important lavender fragrance lavandulol by an unusual "head-tomiddle" mechanism. In their Communication on page 4721 ff., E. Oldfield, R.-T. Guo, and Y. Ma et al. present the first structure of LPPS from lavender complexed with its substrate. The butterfly shape structure is remarkably similar to that of proteins involved in bacterial cell-wall biosynthesis, and led to the proposal of a unique condensation mechanism of action of general interest to terpene synthesis.

#### NMR Spectroscopy

In their Communication on page 4665 ff., A. Pines et al. describe how viscous ordered and disordered media can be probed by diffusion of hyperpolarized xenon through hollow fiber membranes into a contained sample.





#### Electrochemistry

R. Schuster et al. describe in their Communication on page 4688 ff. how they determined the reaction entropy of the electrodeposition of silver on a Au(111) surface by measuring the heat effects accompanying the electrochemical surface reac-

#### Quantum Dots

In their Communication on page 4738 ff., Y. Guo, D. Zhou et al. report on polyvalent mannosecapped quantum dots that have been successfully employed to probe multivalent interactions of HIV/ Ebola receptors.

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Jianrong (Steve) Zhou \_\_\_\_\_



"The worst advice I have ever given was 'it won't work'. If I were not a scientist, I would be a historian ..." This and more about Jianrong (Steve) Zhou can be found on page 4636.



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K. C. Nicolaou



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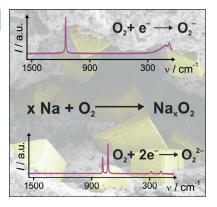


# **Minireviews**

#### Sodium-Oxygen Batteries

C. L. Bender, D. Schröder, R. Pinedo, P. Adelhelm, J. Janek\* \_\_\_\_\_ 4640 – 4649

One- or Two-Electron Transfer? The Ambiguous Nature of the Discharge Products in Sodium-Oxygen Batteries



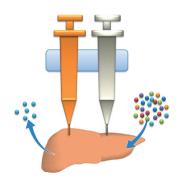
Two discharge products, NaO<sub>2</sub> and Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, appear to compete in the non-aqueous sodium–oxygen battery, and cells forming either superoxide or peroxide have been reported. It is still unclear which factors determine the nature of the cell reaction. In this Minireview, available data are summarized, and important control parameters are discussed. Water and protons appear to play major roles.

# Reviews

# 3D Tissue/Organ Models

F. Pati, J. Gantelius,
H. A. Svahn\* \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4650 – 4665

3D Bioprinting of Tissue/Organ Models



Looking at the fine print: 3D bioprinting offers exciting prospects for printing 3D tissue/organ models. This technique can recreate the spatial and chemical complexity inherent to native tissues and organs. Hence, bioprinted tissues/organs have the potential to be useful in the prioritization of lead candidates, toxicity testing, and as disease/tumor models.

# **Communications**

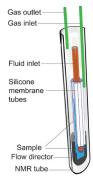
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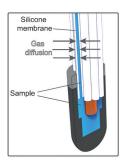
A. E. Truxal, C. C. Slack, M. D. Gomes, C. C. Vassiliou, D. E. Wemmer,

A. Pines\* \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4666 – 4670



Nondisruptive Dissolution of Hyperpolarized <sup>129</sup>Xe into Viscous Aqueous and Organic Liquid Crystalline Environments Blending into the crowd: A new device that facilitates the direct dissolution of hyperpolarized <sup>129</sup>Xe into viscous liquid-crystalline media is presented. <sup>129</sup>Xe and <sup>2</sup>H NMR spectra show the nondisruptive dissolution of xenon, the presence of ordered phases, and, in the case of the thermotropic liquid crystal *N*-(4-methoxybenzylidene)-4-butylaniline, a nematic–isotropic phase transition.







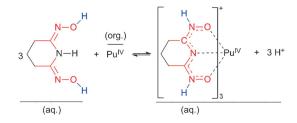
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Waste not, want not: A salt-free reagent in 1 M HNO<sub>3</sub> can strip Pu<sup>IV</sup> from a 30% TBP-kerosene mixture for plutonium and uranium recovery by extraction. The efficiency

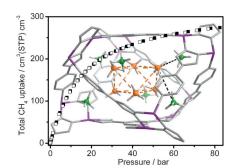
for removal of Pu<sup>IV</sup> is high and it proceeds at a fast rate. Importantly it does not increase the volume of the waste.

#### Chelates

L. Xian, G. Tian,\* C. M. Beavers, S. J. Teat,\* D. K. Shuh\* \_\_\_\_\_ **4671 – 4673** 

Glutarimidedioxime: A Complexing and Reducing Reagent for Plutonium Recovery from Spent Nuclear Fuel Reprocessing





Hold tightly: High-density methane storage is achieved in a metal-organic framework featuring a hierarchical pore system consisting of single-wall nanocages and strong organic binding sites. These enforce not only strong hostmethane and methane-methane interactions, but also a dense packing of methane molecules.

#### Methane Storage



J.-M. Lin, C.-T. He,\* Y. Liu, P.-Q. Liao, D.-D. Zhou, J.-P. Zhang,\* X.-M. Chen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_4674 – 4678

A Metal-Organic Framework with a Pore Size/Shape Suitable for Strong Binding

and Close Packing of Methane



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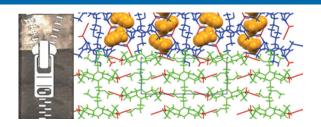


#### Crystal Engineering

A. Meli, E. Macedi, F. De Riccardis, V. J. Smith, L. J. Barbour, I. Izzo,\* C. Tedesco\* 4679 – 4682



Solid-State Conformational Flexibility at Work: Zipping and Unzipping within a Cyclic Peptoid Single Crystal



**Zip it!** A cyclic peptoid undergoes a reversible single-crystal-to-single-crystal transformation with drastic conformational changes within the structure upon guest release or uptake. As determined by

single-crystal X-ray analysis, the structural changes are mediated by the formation of a CH $-\pi$  zipper which can reversibly open and close upon adsorption or desorption of acetonitrile guest molecules (yellow).

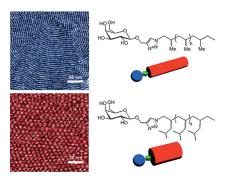


# Self-Assembly

T. S. Thomas, W. Hwang, L. R. Sita\* \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4683 – 4687



End-Group-Functionalized Poly-( $\alpha$ -olefinates) as Non-Polar Building Blocks: Self-Assembly of Sugar-Polyolefin Hybrid Conjugates The tail that wags the dog: Living coordinative chain-transfer polymerization of  $\alpha$ -olefins provides entry to end-group functionalized poly( $\alpha$ -olefinates) (x-PAOs) serving as non-polar building blocks with tailorable occupied volumes. Application of these x-PAOs for sugar–polyolefin hybrid conjugates demonstrates the ability to manipulate the morphology of the ultra-thin film nanostructure by variation in occupied volume of the x-PAO domain.



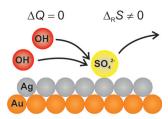


## Electrochemistry

S. Frittmann, V. Halka, R. Schuster\* \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4688 – 4691



Identification of Non-Faradaic Processes by Measurement of the Electrochemical Peltier Heat during the Silver Underpotential Deposition on Au(111) Heat seeker: Complementary information on electrochemical processes is obtained by measuring the heat effects accompanying electrochemical surface reactions. For the electrodeposition of silver on an Au(111) surface, the reaction entropy of the complete process, including non-Faradaic side reactions, becomes accessible.





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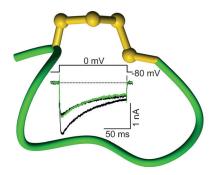
#### **Analgesics**

B. B. Carstens, G. Berecki, J. T. Daniel, H. S. Lee, K. A. V. Jackson, H.-S. Tae, M. Sadeghi, J. Castro, T. O'Donnell, A. Deiteren, S. M. Brierley, D. J. Craik, D. J. Adams, R. J. Clark\* — 4692 – 4696



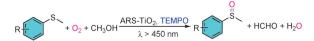
Structure–Activity Studies of Cysteine-Rich  $\alpha$ -Conotoxins that Inhibit High-Voltage-Activated Calcium Channels via GABA<sub>B</sub> Receptor Activation Reveal a Minimal Functional Motif

Downsizing venom peptides: Using NMR structural studies and functional assays a minimal functional epitope of an  $\alpha$ -conotoxin was discovered that inhibits high-voltage-activated calcium currents via a GPCR-mediated mechanism. These downsized peptide toxins are promising lead molecules for the treatment of neuropathic pain.









Dye-sensitized titanium dioxide and a catalytic amount of the redox mediator TEMPO, (2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidin-1yl)oxyl, served as a well-organized scheme of photoredox catalysis for the selective

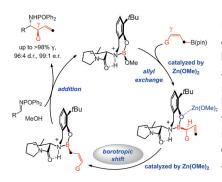
oxidation of sulfides into sulfoxides using oxygen under irradiation of visible light. The redox mediator enabled the organic transformations by visible-light-induced photoredox catalysis.

#### **Photoredox Catalysis**

X. J. Lang, J. C. Zhao, X. D. Chen\* 4697 - 4700

Visible-Light-Induced Photoredox Catalysis of Dye-Sensitized Titanium Dioxide: Selective Aerobic Oxidation of Organic Sulfides





Managing shifts: Otherwise  $\alpha$ -selective crotyl additions to aldimines are rendered highly  $\gamma$ -selective by adding small amounts of Zn(OMe)2 into the reaction mixture. The Lewis acidic co-catalyst is believed to accelerate borotropic shifts that are responsible for the selectivity reversal, and cause faster exchange processes that generate the catalytically active chiral allylboron species.

#### **Borotropic Shifts**



F. W. van der Mei, H. Miyamoto, D. L. Silverio,

A. H. Hoveyda\* \_\_ 4701 - 4706

Lewis Acid Catalyzed Borotropic Shifts in the Design of Diastereo- and Enantioselective γ-Additions of Allylboron Moieties to Aldimines



$$[Ru_3]-C\equiv 0\\ +\\ pinB-Bpin\\ [Ru_4] \stackrel{\text{pinB}}{\longrightarrow} Bpin\\ [Ru_4] \stackrel{\text{pinB}}{\longrightarrow} Bpin\\ [Ru_4] \stackrel{\text{pinB}}{\longrightarrow} (pinB)_3C-C(Bpin)_3$$

Piñacolato: The C-O bond of coordinated carbon monoxide can be cleaved by a diborane(4) compound. A combination of bis (pinacolato) diboron, B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>, with ruthenium carbonyl promotes the cleavage and reductive coupling of coordinated CO to give not only metallic complexes containing either CBpin or C2(Bpin)2 ligands but also metal-free highly borylated organic molecules, such as C(Bpin)4 and C2(Bpin)6.

#### **Borylation**

A. S. Batsanov, J. A. Cabeza,\* M. G. Crestani, M. R. Fructos, P. García-Álvarez, M. Gille, Z. Lin, T. B. Marder\* \_\_\_ \_\_ 4707 - 4710

Fully Borylated Methane and Ethane by Ruthenium-Mediated Cleavage and Coupling of CO



allvlic amines



directed evolution of a nitrene transferase

tected allylic amines. The results highlight the ability of enzymes to adapt, through directed evolution, to facilitate valuable rangement sequence in whole E. coli cells, reaction pathways for which no natural providing access to enantioenriched, proenzymes have evolved.

#### Directed Evolution

C. K. Prier, T. K. Hyster, C. C. Farwell, A. Huang, F. H. Arnold\* \_\_\_ 4711 - 4715

Asymmetric Enzymatic Synthesis of Allylic Amines: A Sigmatropic Rearrangement Strategy



A serine-ligated variant of cytochrome

a sulfimidation/[2,3]-sigmatropic rear-

P450<sub>BM3</sub> has been engineered to initiate



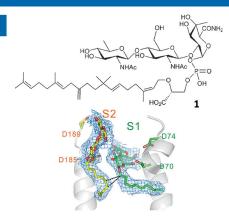


#### Isoprenoid Biosynthesis

L. Zhang, C.-C. Chen, T.-P. Ko,
J.-W. Huang, Y. Zheng, W. Liu, I. Wang,
S. R. Malwal, X. Feng, K. Wang,
C.-H. Huang, S.-T. D. Hsu, A. H.-J. Wang,
E. Oldfield,\* R.-T. Guo\* \_\_\_\_\_ 4716 – 4720



Moenomycin Biosynthesis: Structure and Mechanism of Action of the Prenyltransferase MoeN5



The structure of MoeN5, a unique prenyl-transferase essential for the biosynthesis of the antibiotic moenomycin, was determined by using a fusion-tag approach. MoeN5 catalyzes the production of a ( $C_{25}$ ) moenocinyl trisaccharide (1), and the structures provide insight into the binding of substrates in the S1 and S2 sites. These results provide a structural basis for the mechanism of action of MoeN5, and could facilitate the design of new antibiotics.



#### Monoterpenes

M. Liu, C.-C. Chen, L. Chen, X. Xiao, Y. Zheng, J.-W. Huang, W. Liu, T.-P. Ko, Y.-S. Cheng, X. Feng, E. Oldfield,\* R.-T. Guo,\* Y. Ma\* \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 4721 – 4724



Structure and Function of a "Head-to-Middle" Prenyltransferase: Lavandulyl Diphosphate Synthase



#### Front Cover



Fragrance of lavender: The structure of lavandulyl diphosphate synthase, an irregular monoterpene synthase, was determined and is remarkably similar to the *cis*-prenyl synthases involved in bacterial cell wall biosynthesis. Determination of two ligand-bound structures led to an unusual structure-based mechanism of action.



# Heterogeneous Catalysis

K. Cheng, B. Gu, X. Liu, J. Kang, Q. Zhang,\* Y. Wang\* \_\_\_\_\_ 4725 – 4728



Direct and Highly Selective Conversion of Synthesis Gas into Lower Olefins: Design of a Bifunctional Catalyst Combining Methanol Synthesis and Carbon–Carbon Coupling



It's a gas: Syngas can be directly converted into  $C_2$ – $C_4$  olefins with a selectivity of 74% at 673 K over a bifunctional catalyst composed of Zr–Zn oxide for methanol synthesis and SAPO-34 for

selective C–C coupling. The control of the hydrogenation ability of the two components and their integration manner play crucial roles in obtaining high  $C_2$ – $C_4$  olefin selectivity.

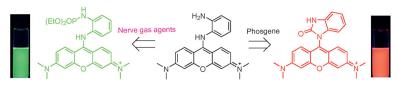


#### Sensors

X. Zhou, Y. Zeng, C. Liyan, X. Wu,\*
J. Yoon\* \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4729 – 4733



A Fluorescent Sensor for Dual-Channel Discrimination between Phosgene and a Nerve-Gas Mimic

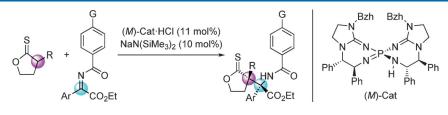


Getting the green light: An accurate and safe fluorescent sensor was developed for real-time monitoring of the nerve-agent mimic diethyl chlorophosphate (DCP) and phosgene gas in a discriminatory

manner. The sensor is nonfluorescent; reaction with phosgene results in cyclization to form a red-light-emitting molecule, with DCP a green-light-emitting compound is formed.

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It's a superbase: A chiral bis(guanidino)iminophosphorane catalyzes an asymmetric direct Mannich-type reaction of  $\alpha$ iminophenylacetate esters with thionolactones, bearing a substituent at the  $\alpha$ position, as a less acidic pronucleophile. The reaction affords densely functionalized amino-acid derivatives having vicinal quaternary stereogenic centers, one of which is an all-carbon quaternary stereogenic center, in good yield with high diastereo- and enantioselectivities. Bzh = benzhydryl.

#### Asymmetric Catalysis



T. Takeda, A. Kondoh,

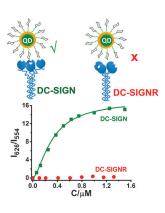
phosphorane Catalyst

M. Terada\* 4734 - 4737

Construction of Vicinal Quaternary Stereogenic Centers by Enantioselective Direct Mannich-Type Reaction Using a Chiral Bis (guanidino) imino-



Glycoconjugates: Compact, dense polyvalent mannose-capped quantum dots (QDs) have been prepared by a highly efficient ligand exchange approach. The quantum dots have been successfully employed to probe multivalent interactions of HIV/Ebola receptors (DC-SIGN and DC-SIGNR) using a rapid, sensitive, ratiometric readout strategy based on Förster resonance energy transfer.



#### Quantum Dots



Y. Guo,\* C. Sakonsinsiri, I. Nehlmeier, M. A. Fascione, H. Zhang, W. Wang,

S. Pöhlmann, W. B. Turnbull, D. Zhou\* \_\_\_ \_\_ 4738 - 4742

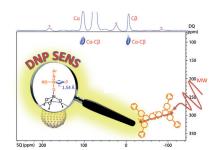
Compact, Polyvalent Mannose Quantum Dots as Sensitive, Ratiometric FRET Probes for Multivalent Protein-Ligand Interactions







Making SENS of a structure: Dynamic nuclear polarization surface-enhanced solid-state NMR spectroscopy (DNP SENS) was used to investigate the catalytic intermediates of a well-defined tungsten alkylidene metathesis catalyst, which is present in low concentration at the surface of a silica support. The increase in NMR signal sensitivity permits determination of C-C connectivity and distance measurements, by a combination of 1D and 2D NMR techniques, on only a minute amount of surface sites.



#### NMR Spectroscopy

T. C. Ong, W.-C. Liao, V. Mougel, D. Gajan, A. Lesage, L. Emsley,

C. Copéret\* \_\_\_ 4743 - 4747

Atomistic Description of Reaction Intermediates for Supported Metathesis Catalysts Enabled by DNP SENS





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I. Colomer, R. Coura Barcelos,

T. J. Donohoe\* \_\_\_\_\_ 4748 – 4752



Catalytic Hypervalent Iodine Promoters Lead to Styrene Dimerization and the Formation of Tri- and Tetrasubstituted Cyclobutanes

**Squared away**: The use of catalytic quantities of hypervalent iodine reagents (phenyliodine diacetate or Dess–Martin periodinane) allows the rapid and stereoselective formation of cyclobutanes under very mild reaction conditions. The pres-

ence of a fluorinated solvent is essential for the success of these reactions, which form unsymmetrical tri- and tetrasubstituted cyclobutanes through a highly diastereoselective heterodimerization process involving two different alkenes.

## Main-Group Chemistry

N. Del Rio, A. Baceiredo,\*

N. Saffon-Merceron, D. Hashizume,

D. Lutters, T. Müller,

T. Kato\* \_\_\_\_\_ 4753 - 4758



A Stable Heterocyclic Amino (phosphanylidene-σ<sup>4</sup>phosphorane) Germylene more reactive than cyclic diamino germylenes

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$$\overset{\circ}{N}$$
  $\overset{\circ}{Ge}$   $\overset{\circ}{P}_{R_2}$   $\overset{\circ}{P}_{R_2}$   $\overset{\circ}{P}_{R_2}$   $\overset{\circ}{P}_{R_2}$  stronger  $\pi$  donor than amino group

'Germs' of a different type: A stable heterocyclic germylene, in which the divalent germanium atom lies between a nitrogen atom and a phosphanylidene phosphorane group, was synthesized.

Experimental and theoretical studies revealed the peculiar effect of the phosphanylidene phosphorane substituent, which presents  $\pi$ -donor abilities stronger than that of amino groups.



#### **Photocatalysis**

F. Yang, J. Koeller,

L. Ackermann\* \_\_\_\_\_ 4759 - 4762



Photoinduced Copper-Catalyzed C—H Arylation at Room Temperature



Copper light: Room-temperature C—H arylations of heteroarenes were accomplished with inexpensive copper compounds by photoinduced catalysis. The expedient copper catalysis leads to site-

selective C-H arylations of non-aromatic oxazolines under mild reaction conditions, and provides step-economical access to the alkaloid natural products

balsoxin and texamine.

Room temperature Photoinduced C-H activation

Non-aromatic oxazolines

Bioactive alkaloids

#### **Total Synthesis**

Z. Ma, X. Wang, Y. Ma,

C. Chen\* \_\_\_\_\_ 4763 – 4766



Asymmetric Synthesis of Axinellamines A and B

From start to end: Axinellamines A and B are two dimeric pyrrole—imidazole alkaloids that have unusually high nitrogen and halogen atom contents. An asymmetric synthesis of these structurally complex natural antibiotics is described.





Lactol in control: The title reaction is believed to occur under synergistic control of a kinetic anomeric effect and metal chelation. The presence of a conformationally flexible C6 oxygen atom in the lactol is required for the reaction to be efficient, probably due to its chelation with cesium ion. This glycosylation method was successfully utilized for the synthesis of the trisaccharide core of complex *N*-linked glycans.

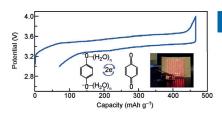
#### Glycosylation

H. Nguyen, D. Zhu, X. Li,\*
J. Zhu\* \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4767 – 4771

Stereoselective Construction of β-Mannopyranosides by Anomeric *O*-Alkylation: Synthesis of the Trisaccharide Core of *N*-linked Glycans



Versatile energy-storage devices: The use of metal-free redox-active organic materials is promising for the development of environmental-friendly, cost-effective, and sustainable energy-storage devices. As hydroquinone can be extracted from biomass directly, using such a bio-inspired organic compound in batteries enables access to green and sustainable energy-storage technology.



### Sustainable Chemistry



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A Bio-Inspired, Heavy-Metal-Free, Dual-Electrolyte Liquid Battery towards Sustainable Energy Storage



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Branch out: The title reaction proceeds with  $\gamma$ ,  $\gamma$ -disubstituted primary allylic phosphates and a new chiral N-heterocyclic carbene ligand bearing a naphtholic hydroxy group. The reaction occurs with

excellent branch regioselectivity and high enantioselectivity, thus forming a controlled all-carbon quaternary stereogenic center at the position  $\alpha$  to the heteroaromatic ring.

# Asymmetric Catalysis

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Construction of Quaternary Stereogenic Carbon Centers through Copper-Catalyzed Enantioselective Allylic Alkylation of Azoles



**Elusive Ge**=**P**: A 4π-electron resonancestabilized 1,3-digerma-2,4-diphosphacyclobutadiene derivative [ $L^H_2$ Ge $_2$ P $_2$ ] (**3**;  $L^H$  = CH[CHN(2,6- $^i$ Pr $_2$ C $_6$ H $_3$ ] $_2$ ), could be synthesized, isolated, and structurally characterized. This compound resulted from the phosphaketenyl-functionalized germylene  $[L^HGe(P=C=O)]$  (1) through photolytic release of CO and subsequent head-to-tail dimerization of the presumed phosphagermyne intermediate,  $[L^HGe\equiv P]$  (2).

#### Main-Group Chemistry

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From a Phosphaketenyl-Functionalized Germylene to 1,3-Digerma-2,4diphosphacyclobutadiene









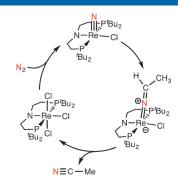


#### Nitrogen Fixation

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Conversion of Dinitrogen into Acetonitrile under Ambient Conditions



If it's broke, fix it: In contrast to synthetic  $NH_3$  synthesis, the catalytic conversion of  $N_2$  with concomitant C-N bond formation into organic products remains unknown and stoichiometric examples are scarce. Several routes for the rhenium mediated synthesis of acetonitrile at ambient conditions via  $N_2$  splitting and alkylation are now possible, leading up to a full synthetic cycle in three steps with more than 50% overall yield.

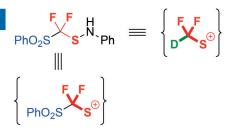
# Fluorinating Reagents

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Direct Electrophilic (Benzenesulfonyl) Difluoromethylthiolation with a Shelf-Stable Reagent



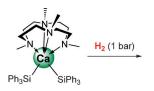
Chameleon-like reactivity: (Benzenesulfonyl) difluoromethanesulfenamide was developed as a new, shelf-stable reagent for the introduction of the  $PhSO_2CF_2S$  group into organic molecules (see scheme). The versatility of the  $PhSO_2$  moiety also provides an entry into reductive deuterations.

#### Main-Group Chemistry

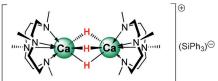
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Molecular Calcium Hydride: Dicalcium Trihydride Cation Stabilized by a Neutral NNNN-Type Macrocyclic Ligand



H,H,H-held together: Hydrogenolysis of the bis(triphenylsilyl)calcium complex [Ca(Me<sub>4</sub>TACD)(SiPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>7</sub>] gave the cationic



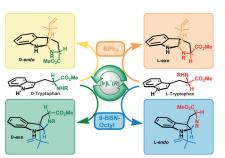
dinuclear calcium hydride [Ca<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>-(Me<sub>4</sub>TACD)<sub>2</sub>](SiPh<sub>3</sub>) that undergoes fast deuteration.

#### **Indole Prenylation**

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Diastereodivergent Reverse Prenylation of Indole and Tryptophan Derivatives: Total Synthesis of Amauromine, Novoamauromine, and *epi*-Amauromine



Asymmetric prenylation: A regio- and stereoselective reverse prenylation of indole and tryptophan derivatives is presented. All four possible stereoisomers are accessible through this iridium-catalyzed reaction. The stereoselectivity is controlled by a chiral phosphoramidite ligand in combination with an achiral borane additive and can be switched by changing the nature of the borane.

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**Take two**: An enantioselective addition of thiols and alcohols to aza-*ortho*-quinone methides, starting from diaryl methanols, has been developed. The asymmetric oxa-and sulfa-Michael additions proceed

under mild reaction conditions in the presence of chiral phosphoric acids to furnish the corresponding adducts with excellent yields and enantioselectivities.

#### **Organocatalysis**

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Asymmetric Brønsted Acid Catalyzed Substitution of Diaryl Methanols with Thiols and Alcohols for the Synthesis of Chiral Thioethers and Ethers





Visible-light irradiation enables the gold-catalyzed intermolecular difunctionalization of alkynes with aryl diazonium salts for the formation of  $\alpha$ -aryl ketones in good

yields. This transformation represents a rare example of gold(I)/gold(III) redox catalysis without a photosensitizer or the need for an external oxidant.

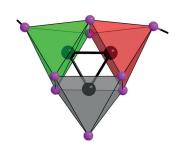
# Photochemistry



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Photosensitizer-Free Visible-Light-Mediated Gold-Catalyzed 1,2-Difunctionalization of Alkynes





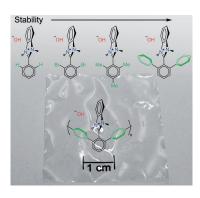
A halide exchange reaction between WCl<sub>6</sub> and Sil<sub>4</sub> yields a new stable tungsten iodide  $W_3l_{12}$  ( $W_3l_8$ - $2l_2$ ) with the [ $W_3l_8$ ] cluster (see picture), which can be used in the synthesis of other tungsten iodides. The synthesis and the structure and bonding situation of compounds with this new trinuclear cluster are presented.

#### Tungsten Iodide

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A Facile Method for the Synthesis of Binary Tungsten Iodides





It takes backbone: Through a novel synthetic pathway, pendant benzimidazolium groups attached to a poly(phenylene) backbone, which acts as the sterically protecting group, produces the most alkaline-stable polybenzimidazolium to date. Crystal structures and DFT calculations of model compounds are used to explain the observed alkaline stability.

#### Alkaline-Stable Benzimidazolium



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S. Holdcroft\* \_\_\_\_\_\_ 4818 – 4821

Poly(phenylene) and *m*-Terphenyl as Powerful Protecting Groups for the Preparation of Stable Organic Hydroxides







#### **Amyloid Fibrils**

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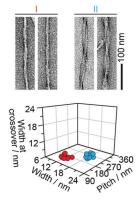
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U. Hegenbart, S. Schönland,

4822 - 4825 M. Fändrich\* \_\_\_\_\_



Polymorphism of Amyloid Fibrils In Vivo



The structural polymorphism of amyloid fibrils is shown in organs of individual patients or diseased animals. The selfassembly process of polypeptide chains in vivo as well as in vitro thus probably follows similar chemical principles, resulting in structural polymorphism. Picture: TEM image of amyloid fibrils and a graph of structure parameters.



#### Cell Adhesion

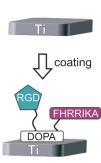
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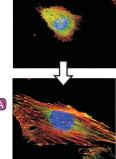
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Multifunctional Coating Improves Cell Adhesion on Titanium by using Cooperatively Acting Peptides

Let's stick together: An efficient on-resin combination of a Diels-Alder reaction with inverse electron demand and a Cu<sup>1</sup> catalyzed azide-alkyne cycloaddition is used to link a stable and affine TiO<sub>2</sub>binding peptide to two cell adhesive motifs. The multifunctional construct improved the cell adhesion of osteoblastlike cells through the cooperative action of the peptides. DOPA = L-3, 4-dihydroxylphenylalanine.





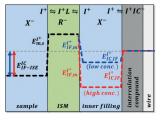


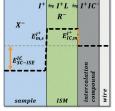
#### Ion-Selective Electrodes

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Intercalation Compounds as Inner Reference Electrodes for Reproducible and Robust Solid-Contact Ion-Selective Electrodes





For reference: Solid-contact ion-selective electrodes require inner reference electrodes with defined interface potentials. Using intercalation compounds, such as LiFePO<sub>4</sub>, highly reproducible and stable ion-selective electrodes can be fabricated for the clinical analysis of blood electrolytes.



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# Angewandte Corrigendum

There is an error in the structure of the cavitand receptor **19** in Figure 7 of this Review. The correct structure is shown below. The authors apologize for this error.

Anion Recognition in Water: Recent Advances from a Supramolecular and Macromolecular Perspective

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Furthermore, in Figure S8 in the Supporting Information, the legend denotes fresh catalysts by solid lines and used catalysts by dashed lines (p. 10). It should be vice versa, as it is correctly described in the text referring to Figure S8 in the main manuscript and shown in Figure 3 c.

The authors sincerely apologize for these mistakes which do not affect the validity of any data or conclusions reported in the manuscript or the Supporting Information.

Oxychlorination—Dehydrochlorination Chemistry on Bifunctional Ceria Catalysts for Intensified Vinyl Chloride Production

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