

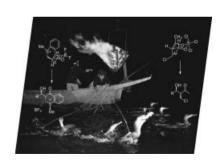
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COVER PICTURE

The cover picture shows cormorant fishing "Ukai" (the ancient techniques of fishing) on the Nagara River, Gifu, Japan, where the research reported in the Microreview by T. Kataoka and H. Kinoshita on p. 45 ff. was performed. You can imagine a fisherman "Usho", who controls ten to twelve birds by handling the leash ropes, as a Lewis acid. His skilled use of leashes effects a fish catch just as the ability of a Lewis acid to chelate reactants has a great influence on the reaction. You enjoy a wonderful spectacle from May 11 to October 15 every year and the research throughout the year in Gifu, Japan.



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A Formal [3 + 3] Cycloaddition Approach to Natural-Product Synthesis

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AcO
$$R^{\dagger}R_2$$
 a formal [3 + 3] cycloaddition R^2 $X = 0$ or NR^3