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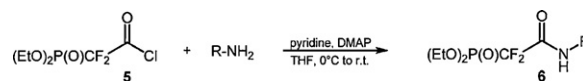
### The amination of difluoro(diethoxyphosphoryl)acetyl chloride: Facile synthetic route to novel amides containing difluoromethylenephosphonate moiety

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Reaction of an amine and difluoro(diethoxyphosphoryl)acetyl chloride in THF, in the presence of a catalytic amount of DMAP leads to formation of  $\beta$ -keto- $\alpha,\alpha$ -difluoromethylenephosphonate.



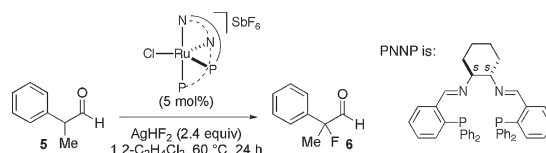
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### Asymmetric oxidative $\alpha$ -fluorination of 2-alkylphenylacetaldehydes with $\text{AgHF}_2$ and ruthenium/PNNP catalysts

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$[\text{RuCl}(\text{PNNP})]^+$  (PNNP = (1*S*,2*S*)-*N,N'*-bis[*o*-(diphenylphosphino)benzylidene]cyclohexane-1,2-diamine) catalyzes the fluorination of 2-alkylphenylacetaldehydes at the  $\alpha$ -position in the presence of silver bifluoride ( $\text{AgHF}_2$ ) to give  $\text{PhC}(\text{F})(\text{R})\text{CHO}$  ( $\text{R} = \text{Me}, \text{Et}, ^i\text{Pr}, ^t\text{Bu}$ ) with up to 27% ee and 35% yield.

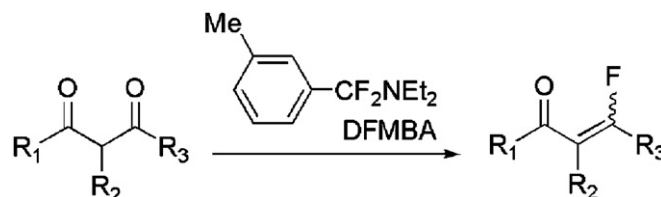


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### Regioselective synthesis of $\beta$ -fluoro- $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketones by the reaction of $\beta$ -diketones with DFMB

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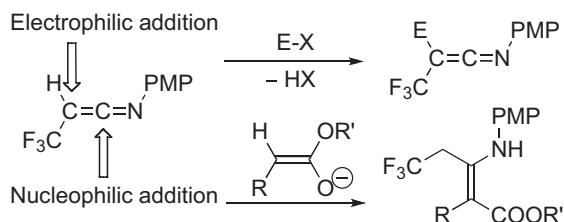
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## Preparations and reactions of 2-trifluoromethylketenimines

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2-Trifluoromethylketenimines are prepared from corresponding acid via imidoyl halides.



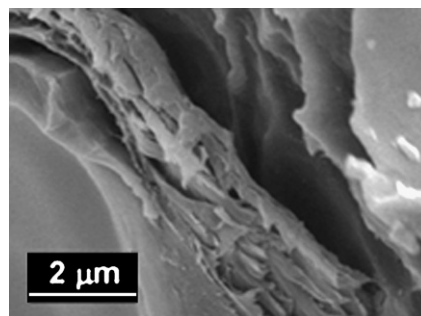
## Synthesis of a chitin-based biocomposite for water treatment: Optimization for fluoride removal

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Chitin was physicochemically reinforced by mixing it with a polymer to improve its mechanical and chemical resistance. The optimized mixture, i.e. the optimum chitin-based biocomposite, owns suitable properties for its use in continuous adsorption processes, in order to remove contaminants from water, e.g. fluoride.



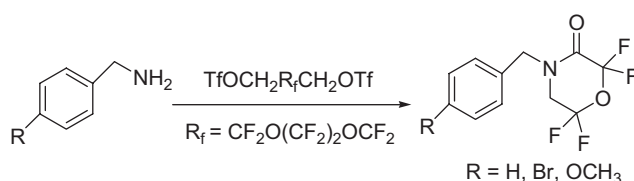
## Synthesis of 2,2,6,6-tetrafluoro-4-phenylmethylmorpholin-3-ones: A simple approach from fluorinated triethylene glycol

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A new synthetic routine was developed for the synthesis of 2,2,6,6-tetrafluoro-4-phenylmethyl-morpholin-3-one by a single step combination of fluorinated triethylene glycol di(trifluoromethanesulfonate) and benzylamine. With a fluoroalkane di(trifluoromethanesulfonate), fluorinated phenylmethylpiperidine and phenylmethylazepine were synthesized by reaction of trifluoromethanesulfonic fluoroalkyldiyl esters and benzylamine.



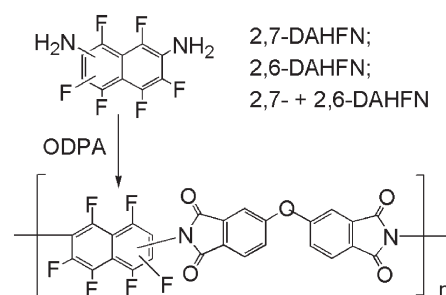
## Synthesis and characterization of polyimides based on novel isomeric perfluorinated naphthylenediamines

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Dependence of PI properties on hexafluoronaphthylene fragment isomerism is characterized.



## Shape-selected synthesis, characterization and optical properties of $\text{KMnF}_3$ micropolyhedra, microspheres and hollow microspheres

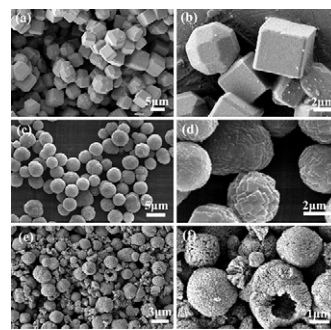
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Micropolyhedra, microspheres and hollow microspheres of the cubic  $\text{KMnF}_3$  were selectively prepared by controllable, hydrothermal method at 120 °C. The variety of polyethylene glycol and dosage of citric acid were demonstrated to be responsible for the shape evolution. It is interesting that these microstructures can be obtained by just modifying one reaction parameter in the reaction.

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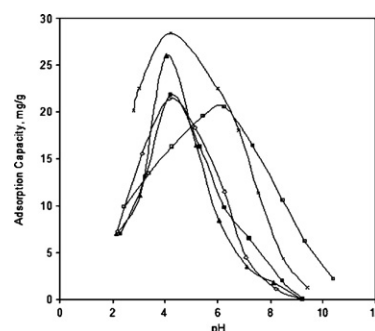
## Studies on fluoride adsorption capacities of amorphous Fe/Al mixed hydroxides from aqueous solutions

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The effect of solution pH on fluoride adsorption capacity was studied from 2.5 to 10 pH range. The adsorption process passes through maxima, and the optimum pH range increased with the increase of Al content in the  $\text{Fe}(\text{OH})_3$  surface.

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## Synthesis and upconversion luminescence properties of $\text{Yb}^{3+}/\text{Tm}^{3+}$ -codoped $\text{BaSiF}_6$ nanorods

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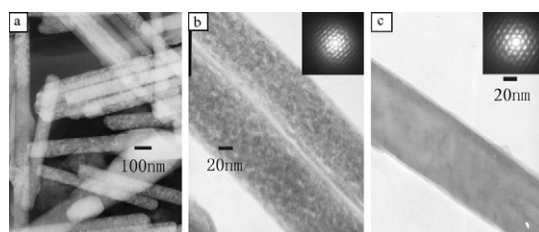
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(a) TEM image of  $\text{BaSiF}_6$  nanorods before aging. (b) Magnified TEM image and electron diffraction pattern of  $\text{BaSiF}_6$  nanorods before aging. (c) TEM image and electron diffraction pattern of  $\text{BaSiF}_6$  nanorods aged for 7 days.

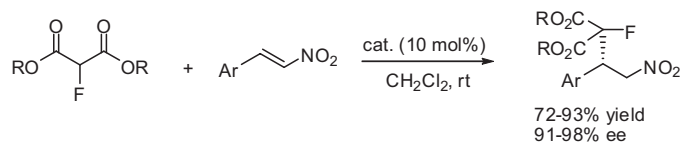
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## Highly enantioselective conjugate addition of fluoromalonates to nitroalkenes using bifunctional organocatalysts

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# Synthesis of novel C2-symmetric chiral crown ethers and their application to enantioselective trifluoromethylation of aldehydes and ketones

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Synthesis of novel C2-symmetric chiral crown ethers and their application to enantioselective trifluoromethylation of aldehydes and ketones are discussed. The use of a series of C2-symmetric chiral crown ethers **2** or **3** derived from commercially available (*R*)-1,1'-bi-2-naphthol for the enantioselective trifluoromethylation of 2-naphthyl aldehyde **1a** with (trifluoromethyl)trimethylsilane in the presence of a base was attempted. Iodo-substituted crown ether **2b** was found to be the most effective in the model reaction. Moderate enantioselectivities were observed for the trifluoromethylation of both aryl or alkyl aldehydes and alkyl aryl ketones in 21–44% ees. Although the ees are still improvable, this is the first example of a chiral crown ether-catalyzed enantioselective trifluoromethylation reaction.

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