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$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & TMSCN & (R"CO)_2O & NC & OCOR" \\
R & FeCl_3 & R & R'
\end{array}$$

up to 95%

R = Alkyl, Aryl; R' = H, Alkyl; R" = Alkyl, Aryl

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$$CO_2Me$$
 Boc
 CO_2Me
 Boc
 CO_2Me
 Boc
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Two, orthogonally protected, constrained analogues of arginine have been synthesised in a diastereodivergent manner. The key step involved an electrophilic or radical functionalisation of methyl *N*-Boc-5,6-dehydropipecolate.

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$$R \longrightarrow \frac{PdCl_2-CuCl / O_2 / H_2O}{[bmim][BF_4]} \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow CH_3$$

$$R = aryl, phenoxyalkyl, alkyl$$

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$$Cl \xrightarrow{1 \atop 3} N Cl \xrightarrow{HO} TsOH toluene$$

Novel synthetic approaches toward 5,6-dihydro-pyrimido[4,5-b][1,4]oxazepines were reported.

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Tarchonanthuslactone

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R=CH₂OH; X=F or H R=OH; X=F (both enantiomers)

Efficient and general method for the synthesis of benzopyrans by ethylenediamine diacetate-catalyzed reactions of resorcinols with α,β -unsaturated aldehydes. One step synthesis of biologically active (\pm)-confluentin and (\pm)-daurichromenic acid

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Yong Rok Lee,* Jung Hyun Choi and Sang Heum Yoon

An efficient and general synthesis of benzopyrans is achieved by ethylenediamine diacetate-catalyzed reactions of resorcinols with α,β -unsaturated aldehydes in moderated yields. As an application of this methodology, biologically interesting confluentin and daurichromenic acid are synthesized as one step reaction.

Microwave-assisted solid-phase Dötz benzannulation reaction: a facile synthesis of 2,3-disubstituted-1,4-naphthoquinones

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$$Cr(CO)_5 + R^1$$
 R^2
 $\frac{1. DCM, MW, 85 °C, 20 min}{2. CAN, 12 h}$

A convenient synthesis of (E)- α -alkylidene- γ -lactams and (E)-3-alkylideneoxindoles by rhodium-catalyzed intramolecular hydroamidation

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Yusuke Kobayashi, Haruhi Kamisaki, Kazuo Yanada, Reiko Yanada and Yoshiji Takemoto*

Intramolecular hydroamidation was achieved with high (E)-selectivity in the presence of Rh₄(CO)₁₂.

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$$R_{1} \stackrel{\stackrel{\textstyle |}{\parallel}}{\parallel} X + R_{3} \stackrel{\stackrel{\textstyle |}{\parallel}}{\parallel} X + R_{3} \stackrel{\stackrel{\textstyle |}{\parallel}}{\parallel} X = I, Br, CI$$

$$X = I, Br, CI$$

$$X$$

Amination and amidation of aryl iodides catalyzed by copper(I)-phenanthroline complexes

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Kazuyuki Moriwaki,* Kazuyoshi Satoh, Masahiro Takada, Yoshio Ishino and Toshinobu Ohno*

$$\begin{array}{c} Cat. \\ \hline \begin{pmatrix} R^1 \\ Ar-N \\ R^2 \\ \hline \end{pmatrix} \begin{array}{c} R^2 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Ar-I \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^2 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^3 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^2 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^3 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^2 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^3 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^2 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^3 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^2 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^3 \\ \hline \\ Cat. \end{array} \begin{array}$$

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Sennoside C aglycon

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A total synthesis of (-)-bestatin using Shibasaki's asymmetric Henry reaction

pp 7581-7582

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The potent aminopeptidase inhibitor (–)-bestatin has been synthesized in 26% overall yield. The key step is Shibasaki's asymmetric nitro-aldol reaction.

Synthesis of aromatic phosphates via cycloaddition of phosphate dienes

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Design, synthesis, and validation of rigid linkers for bioactive peptides

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Ac-NDP-
$$\alpha$$
-MSH-NH NDP- α -MSH NDP- α -MSH NDP- α -MSH-NH O



Convenient synthesis of α -amino amides using low-valent tantalum prepared from TaCl₅ and Zn Haruka Shimizu and Shū Kobayashi*

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$$\begin{array}{c} R^{3} \\ R^{1} \\ R^{2} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} [\text{low-valent Ta}] \\ R^{2} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{3} \\ R^{1} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{3} \\ R^{2} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{4} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{4} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{4} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{4} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{3} \\ R^{1} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{4} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{3} \\ R^{1} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{4} \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R^{4}$$

Alkylation of ethylenethiourea with alcohols: a convenient synthesis of S-alkyl-isothioureas without toxic alkylating agents

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Michael K. Denk* and Xuan Ye

 $R_2NH + H_2CO + R'X \xrightarrow{Zn/H^+} R_2NCH_2R'$

S-Alkyl isothioureas were obtained in high yields with alcohols replacing carcinogenic and toxic alkylating agents.

Aminomethylation of organic halides promoted by zinc in protic medium Idália H. S. Estevam, Margarete F. da Silva and Lothar W. Bieber*

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Zinc in protic medium promotes aminomethylation of organic halides via a radical process.

Synthesis and properties of purine-type base-discriminating fluorescent (BDF) nucleosides: distinction of thymine by fluorescence-labeled deoxyadenosine derivatives

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Ring-opening reactions of diarylvinylidenecyclopropanes by iodine and bromine

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 $R^1 = R^2 = \text{aromatic group}$

Diarylvinylidenecyclopropanes undergo a novel ring-opening reaction upon treatment with excess amounts of iodine or bromine to give the corresponding iodinated or brominated naphthalene derivatives in good to high yields within 3 h.



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Spectroscopic and DFT studies of nonclassical and classical radical cations of 7-benzhydrylidenenorbornene analogues: contrasting molecular geometry and electronic structures originating from the different patterns of electronic coupling Hiroshi Ikeda,* Hayato Namai and Takashi Hirano

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 λ_{ab} = 401 nm bent A nonclassical radical cation

 $\lambda_{ab} = 394 \text{ nm}$ nonbent A "classical" radical cation



Rate enhancement of PFP sulfonate ester aminolysis by chloride salts in organic and aqueous media

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Jonathan D. Wilden,* Duncan B. Judd and Stephen Caddick

A method of accelerating the rate of aminolysis of PFP sulfonates to yield sulfonamides using tetrabutylammonium salts is described. We demonstrate the advantages of combining the existing methodology with a revised protocol which allows the diversity within both the sulfonate ester and the amine to be extended.

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Benzo[1,2,5]selenadiazole bridged amines: electro-optical properties

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Marappan Velusamy, K. R. Justin Thomas, Jiann T. Lin* and Yuh S. Wen

New diamines and tetramines bridged by an electron-deficient chromophore benzo[1,2,5]selenadiazole were synthesized.

Selective benzylic lithiation of N-Boc-2-phenylpiperidine and pyrrolidine: expedient synthesis of a 2,2-disubstituted piperidine NK_1 antagonist

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Boc-phenyl piperidine and Boc-phenyl pyrrolidine are selectively lithiated at the 2-position and trapped with a variety of electrophiles. The chemistry is used to make a sub-nanomolar inhibitor of the human neurokinin 1 receptor.

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