

## Preface

Like its predecessors, this Symposium in Print on Synthetic Methods highlights recent advances that were inspired by the challenges of complex molecule synthesis. In contrast, contributions for this symposium were solicited only from scientists in early stages of their careers. To me, the articles within this compilation clearly illustrate that the demands of natural product synthesis continue to foster great advances in our ability to control the chemo-, regio- and stereoselectivity of reactions. I hope in reading this symposium others will reach a similar conclusion and be inspired to pursue natural products synthesis not only to develop new strategies for preparing significant targets, but also as a means of achieving new discovery in synthetic methodology.

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