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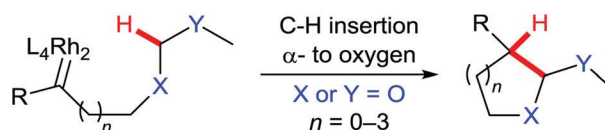
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### Rhodium(II)-catalysed intramolecular C–H insertion $\alpha$ - to oxygen: reactivity, selectivity and applications to natural product synthesis

Fanny J. Lombard and Mark J. Coster\*

This review highlights reactivity and selectivity trends for the insertion of Rh(II) carbenes into C–H bonds that are activated by  $\alpha$ -oxygen substituents, and the application of this reaction to the total synthesis of some natural products.



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### "Pruning of biomolecules and natural products (PBNP)": an innovative paradigm in drug discovery

Surendar Reddy Bathula, Srirama Murthy Akondi, Prathama S. Mainkar\* and Srivari Chandrasekhar\*

*Smart Schneider*: 'Nature' is the most intelligent tailor with an ability to utilize the resources. Researchers are still at an infant stage learning this art. The present review highlights some of the man made pruning of bio-molecules and NPs (PBNP) in finding chemicals with a better therapeutic index.



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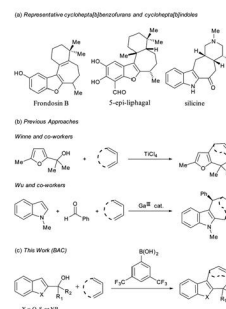
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### Mild arylboronic acid catalyzed selective [4 + 3] cycloadditions: access to cyclohepta[*b*]-benzofurans and cyclohepta[*b*]indoles

Kou-Sen Cao, Hong-Xu Bian and Wen-Hua Zheng\*

The first example of arylboronic acid catalyzed [4 + 3] cycloaddition reaction is reported.

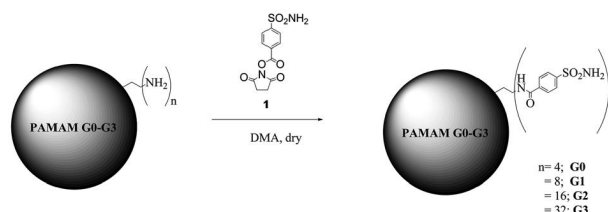


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### Dendrimers incorporating benzenesulfonamide moieties strongly inhibit carbonic anhydrase isoforms I–XIV

Fabrizio Carta,\* Sameh M. Osman, Daniela Vullo, Zeid AlOthman and Claudiu T. Supuran\*

As extension of our previous study herein we report a comprehensive investigation of poly(amidoamine) (PAMAM) dendrimers as modulators of the human carbonic anhydrase (hCA, EC 4.2.1.1) isoforms I–XIV.

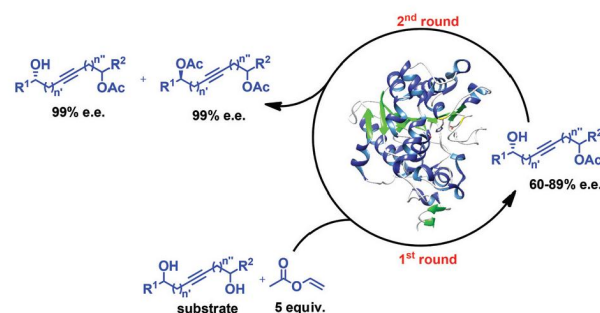


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### Enzymatic kinetic resolution of internal propargylic diols. Part I: a new approach for the synthesis of (*S*)-pent-2-yn-1,4-diol, a natural product from *Clitocybe catinus*

Jeily G. Ferreira, Cleverson R. Princival, Dyego M. Oliveira, Renata X. Nascimento and Jefferson L. Princival\*

An efficient two round EKR of bis-substituted propargylic diols has been described and applied for synthesis of (*S*)-pent-2-yn-1,4-diol, a natural product from *Clitocybe catinus*.

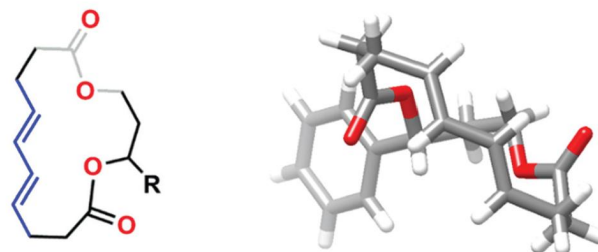


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### Synthesis, structure and reactivity of [15]-macrodilactones

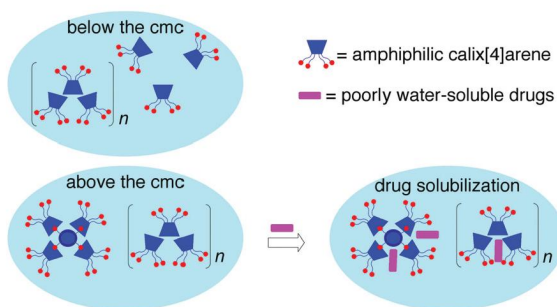
Debjani Si and Mark W. Pecuh\*

Synthesis and characterization of some new [15]-macrodilactones revealed that the interplay between three planar units, a stereogenic center and a hinge atom generated a planar chirality that governs their molecular topology.



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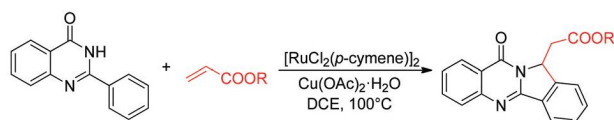


### Self-assembly of amphiphilic anionic calix[4]arenes and encapsulation of poorly soluble naproxen and flurbiprofen

Lucia Barbera, Giuseppe Gattuso, Franz H. Kohnke, Anna Notti,\* Sebastiano Pappalardo, Melchiorre F. Parisi, Ilenia Pisagatti,\* Salvatore Patanè, Norberto Micali and Valentina Villari

The ability of an anionic calix[4]arene amphiphile to aggregate and to solubilize, as a result, the poorly water-soluble drugs naproxen and flurbiprofen is described.

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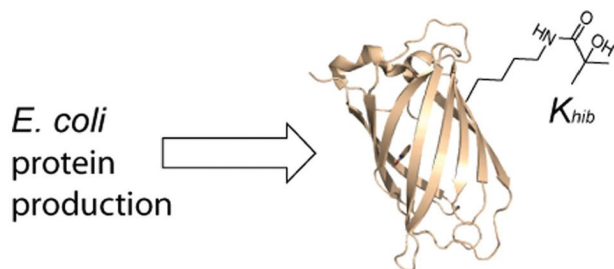


### Ruthenium-catalyzed oxidative coupling of 2-aryl-4-quinazolinones with olefins: synthesis of pyrrolo[2,1-*b*]quinazolin-9(1*H*)-one motifs

Yong Zheng, Wei-Bin Song, Shu-Wei Zhang and Li-Jiang Xuan\*

A ruthenium-catalyzed oxidative coupling of 2-aryl-quinazolinones with olefins *via* C–H bond activation followed by an intramolecular aza-Michael reaction is described.

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### Genetic encoding of the post-translational modification 2-hydroxyisobutyryl-lysine

William A. Knight and T. Ashton Cropp\*

Adding 2-hydroxyisobutyryl lysine to the genetic code of *E. coli* is reported.

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### Fucofullerenes as tight ligands of RSL and LecB, two bacterial lectins

Kevin Buffet, Emilie Gillon, Michel Holler, Jean-François Nierengarten,\* Anne Imberty\* and Stéphane P. Vincent\*

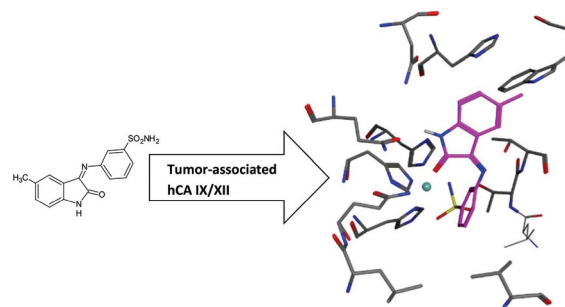
A series of water-soluble glycofullerenes containing up to 24 fucose residues were tested against the two bacterial lectins LecB and RSL, and C<sub>60</sub>(E)<sub>12</sub> bearing 24 fucose residues appeared to be the best known inhibitor of both lectins to date.

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### Discovery of novel isatin-based sulfonamides with potent and selective inhibition of the tumor-associated carbonic anhydrase isoforms IX and XII

Özlen Güzel-Akdemir, Atilla Akdemir,\* Nilgün Karalı and Claudiu T. Supuran\*

A series of 2/3/4-[(2-oxo-1,2-dihydro-3*H*-indol-3-ylidene)amino]benzenesulfonamides, obtained from substituted isatins and 2-, 3- or 4-aminobenzene-sulfonamide, showed low nanomolar inhibitory activity against the tumor associated carbonic anhydrases IX and XII.

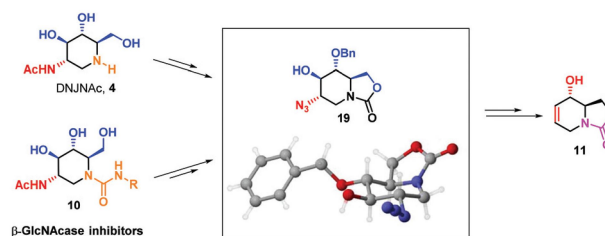


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### Stereoselective synthesis of 2-acetamido-1,2-dideoxynojirimycin (DNJNac) and ureido-DNJNac derivatives as new hexosaminidase inhibitors

Alex de la Fuente, Teresa Mena-Barragán, Ronald A. Farrar-Tobar, Xavier Verdaguer, José M. García Fernández, Carmen Ortiz Mellet\* and Antoni Riera\*

A novel approach to the synthesis of 2-acetamido-1,2-dideoxynojirimycin (DNJNac) and ureido-DNJNac derivatives as potent hexosaminidase inhibitors is reported.

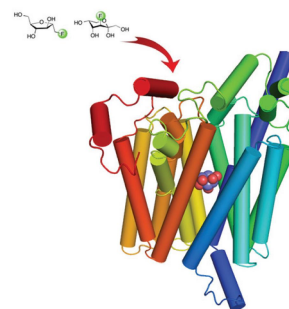


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### New fluorinated fructose analogs as selective probes of the hexose transporter protein GLUT5

Olivier-Mohamad Soueidan, Brendan J. Trayner, Tina N. Grant, Jeff R. Henderson, Frank Wuest, F. G. West\* and Chris I. Cheeseman\*

Two fluorinated fructose analogs are taken up by tumor cells in culture. Their high affinity for the transporter protein GLUT5 provides information on the structural demands of its binding site, and suggests approaches towards new molecular imaging probes.

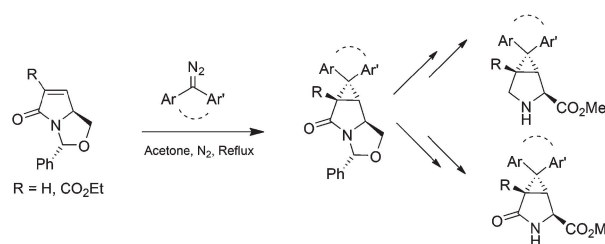


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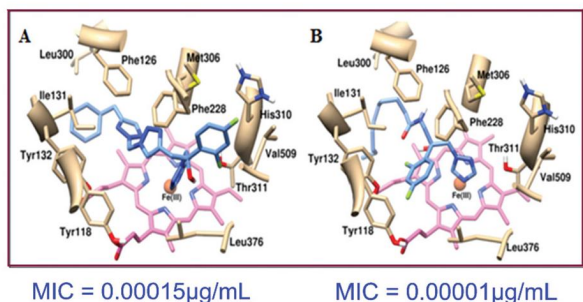
### Uncatalysed diaryldiazo cyclopropanations on bicyclic lactams: access to annulated prolines

Lawrence Harris, Martin Gilpin, Amber L. Thompson, Andrew R. Cowley and Mark G. Moloney\*

The uncatalysed cycloaddition of substituted diaryldiazo compounds onto bicyclic unsaturated lactams derived from pyroglutamic acid efficiently leads to highly functionalised azatricyclonanes.



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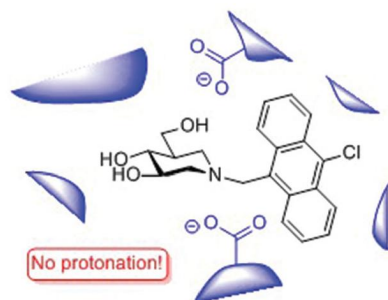


### Design and synthesis of new fluconazole analogues

Vandana S. Pore,\* Sandip G. Agalave, Pratiksha Singh, Praveen K. Shukla, Vikash Kumar and Mohammad I. Siddiqi

The synthesis of new fluconazole analogues containing two different 1,2,3-triazole units and an amide group is described. All the compounds showed very high antifungal activity and no toxicity.

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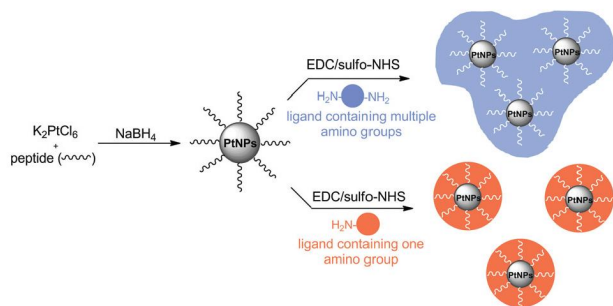


### A fluorescence study of isofagomine protonation in β-glucosidase

Emil Lindbäck, Bo Wegge Laursen, Jens Christian Navarro Poulsen, Kristine Kilså, Christian Marcus Pedersen and Mikael Bols\*

*N*-(10-Chloro-9-anthracenemethyl)isofagomine **5** inhibits β-glucosidase strongly yet the nitrogen atom plays little role in binding.

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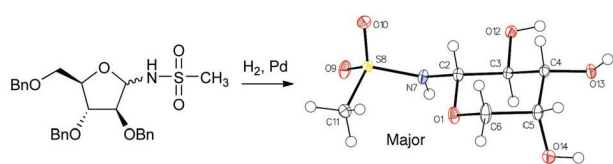


### Cell-targeted platinum nanoparticles and nanoparticle clusters

Stefanie Papst, Margaret A. Brimble,\* Clive W. Evans, Daniel J. Verdon, Vaughan Feisst, P. Rod Dunbar, Richard D. Tilley and David E. Williams\*

The facile preparation of cell-targeted platinum nanoparticles (PtNPs) is described, using designed peptides that as a single molecule control PtNP cluster growth, stabilise clusters in aqueous suspension and enable attachment of a versatile range of cell-targeting ligands.

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### Unexpected furanose/pyranose equilibration of *N*-glycosyl sulfonamides, sulfamides and sulfamates

Kajitha Suthagar, Matthew I. J. Polson and Antony J. Fairbanks\*

*Arabino N*-glycosyl sulfamides, sulfonamides and sulfamates convert from the furanose to the thermodynamically preferred pyranose form in aqueous solution.

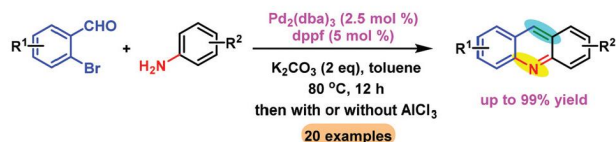
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### Facile synthesis of acridines via Pd(0)-diphosphine complex-catalyzed tandem coupling/cyclization protocol

Ting-Jun Wang, Wen-Wen Chen, Yi Li and Ming-Hua Xu\*

A facile and efficient approach for the synthesis of a variety of acridines via the tandem coupling/cyclization of substituted 2-bromobenzaldehydes and anilines is described.

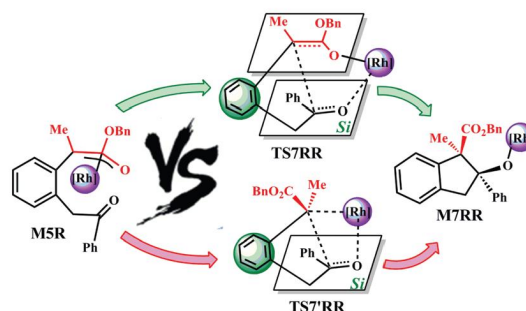


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### Mechanisms and stereoselectivities of the Rh(I)-catalyzed carbenoid carbon insertion reaction of benzocyclobutenol with diazoester

Yanyan Wang, Yang Wang, Wenjing Zhang, Yanyan Zhu, Donghui Wei\* and Mingsheng Tang\*

Mechanisms and stereoselectivities of a Rh(I)-catalyzed carbenoid carbon insertion reaction of benzocyclobutenol with diazoester have been investigated using the DFT method.

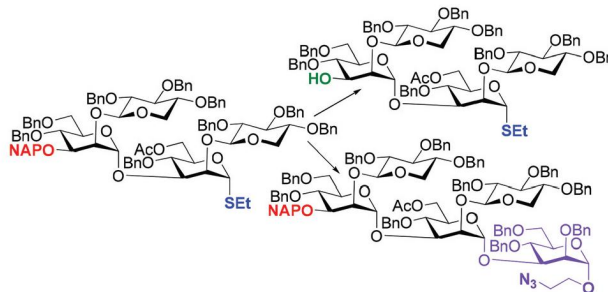


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### A synthetic strategy to xylose-containing thioglycoside tri- and tetrasaccharide building blocks corresponding to *Cryptococcus neoformans* capsular polysaccharide structures

Lorenzo Guazzelli, Rebecca Ulc, Lina Rydner and Stefan Oscarson\*

*C. neoformans* thiosaccharide building blocks were prepared and their conversion to glycosyl acceptors as well as use as glycosyl donors investigated.

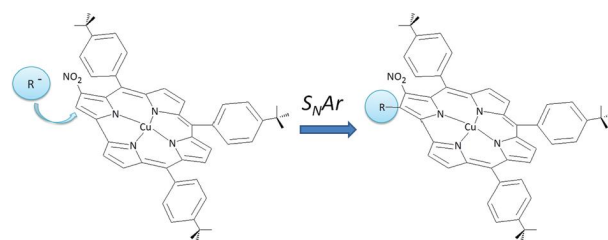


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### Corrole and nucleophilic aromatic substitution are not incompatible: a novel route to 2,3-difunctionalized copper corrolates

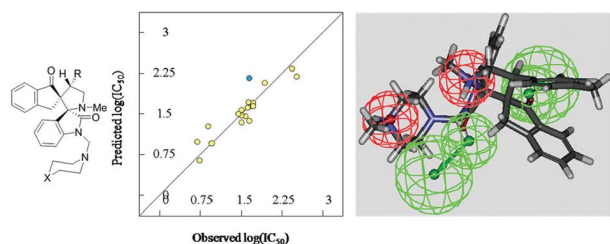
M. Stefanelli,\* F. Mandoj, S. Nardis, M. Raggio, F. R. Fronczek, G. T. McCandless, K. M. Smith and R. Paolesse

Although corrole is an electron rich macrocycle, nucleophilic aromatic substitution reactions can be used to peripherally elaborate this contracted porphyrinoid.





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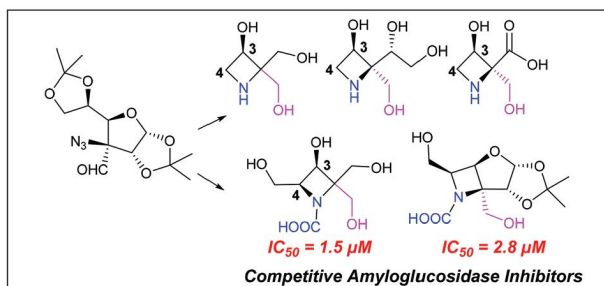


### Rational design, synthesis and molecular modeling studies of novel anti-oncological alkaloids against melanoma

Adel S. Girgis,\* Siva S. Panda, Aladdin M. Srour, Hanaa Farag, Nasser S. M. Ismail, Mohamed Elgendy, Amal K. Abdel-Aziz and Alan R. Katritzky

Anti-oncological active spiro-alkaloids were synthesized exhibiting promising antitumor properties against melanoma cell lines. Molecular modeling studies describe the observed properties.

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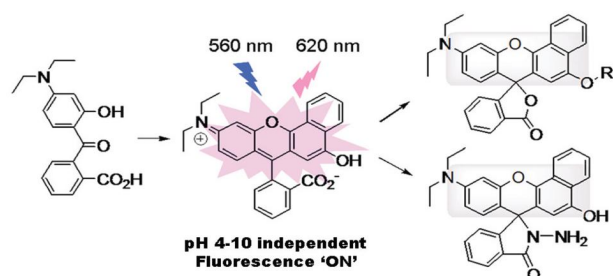


### Azetidine- and *N*-carboxylic azetidine-iminosugars as amyloglucosidase inhibitors: synthesis, glycosidase inhibitory activity and molecular docking studies

Kishor S. Gavale, Shrawan R. Chavan, Ayesha Khan, Rakesh Joshi and Dilip D. Dhavale\*

Azetidine and an unprecedented *N*-carboxylic azetidine iminosugars were synthesized from *D*-glucose, which showed prominent amyloglucosidase inhibitory activity.

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### Molecular design and synthesis of a pH independent and cell permeant fluorescent dye and its applications

Xiaojie Jiao, Chang Liu, Kun Huang, Siwen Zhang, Song He, Liancheng Zhao and Xianshun Zeng\*

A novel xanthene fluorescent dye with a combination of the desirable characters for fluorescent chemosensors and biomarkers including low molecular weight, water solubility, cell permeability, good biocompatibility, and strong tolerance to pH has been designed and synthesized.