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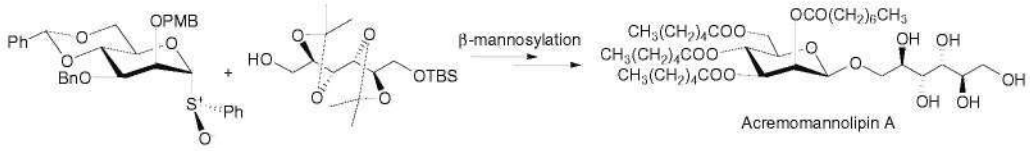
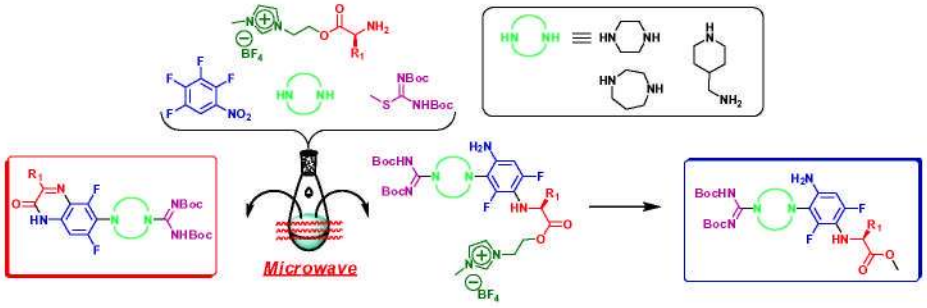
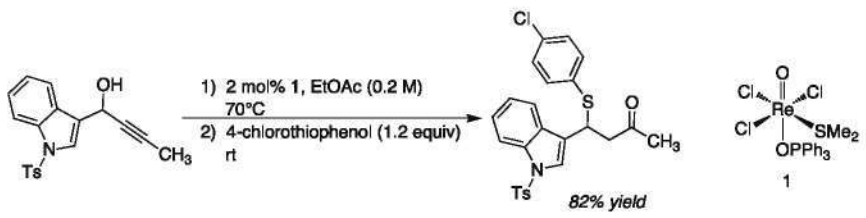
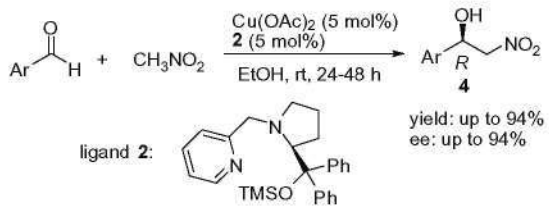
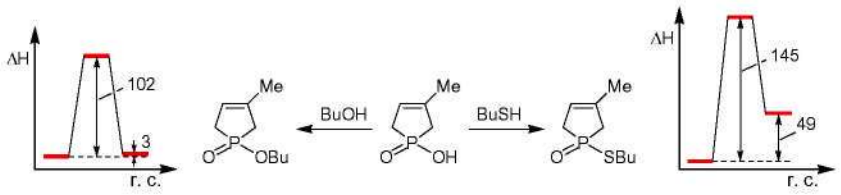
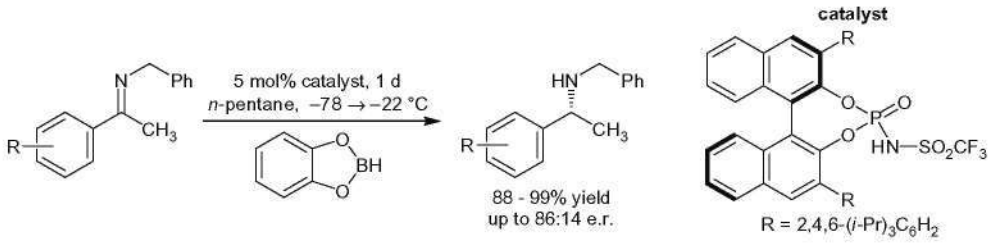


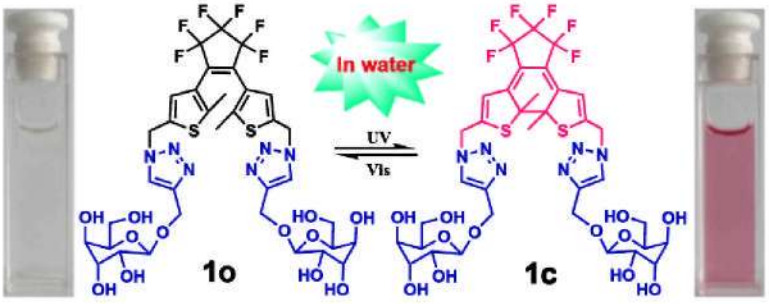


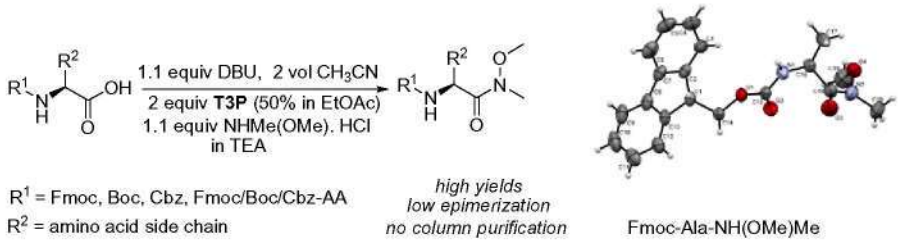


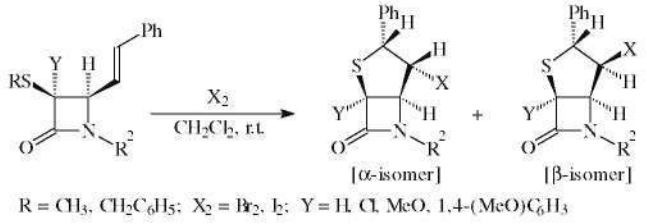


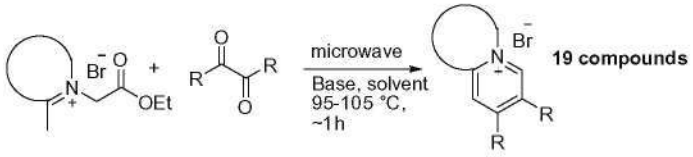




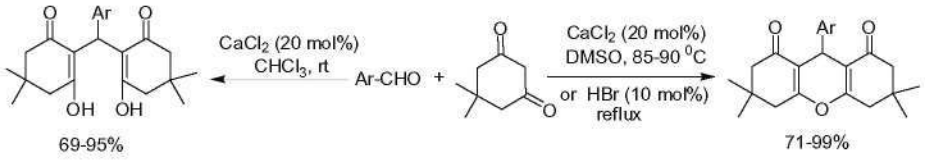


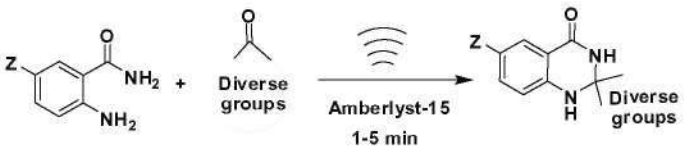


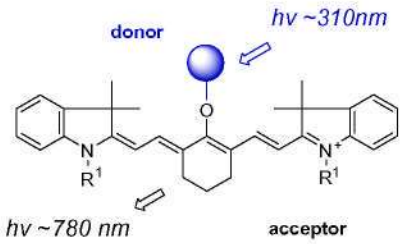


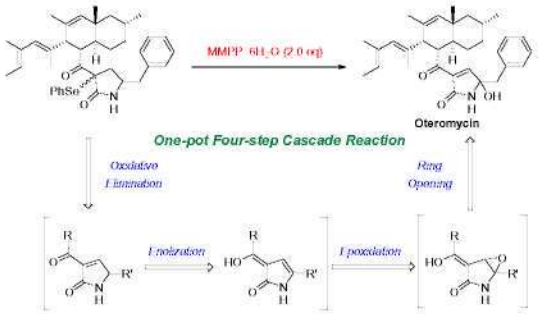


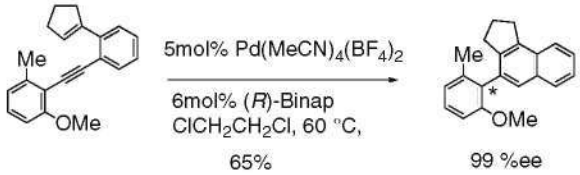
A concise synthesis of a potent lead in anticancer therapeutics, sempervirine, was achieved by one pot Westphal condensation, ester hydrolysis, and decarboxylation under microwave irradiation. The method was extended to the synthesis of several similar heterocycles.

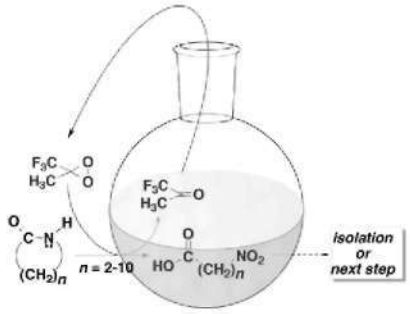


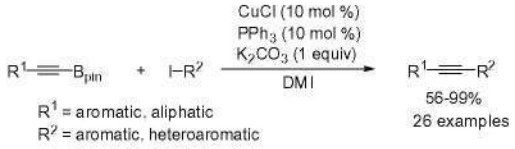


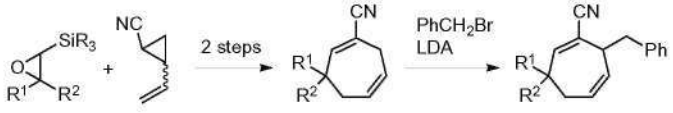


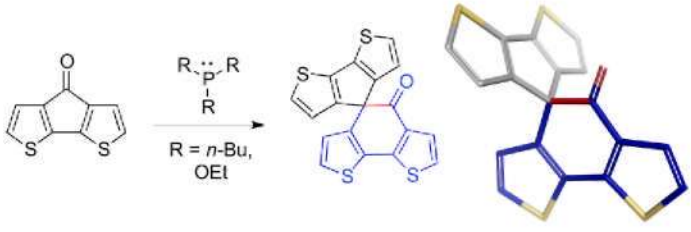


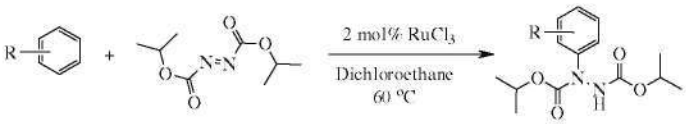






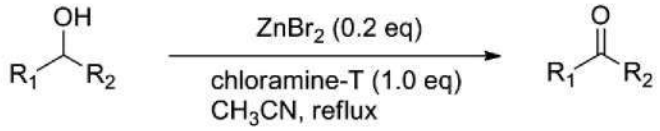


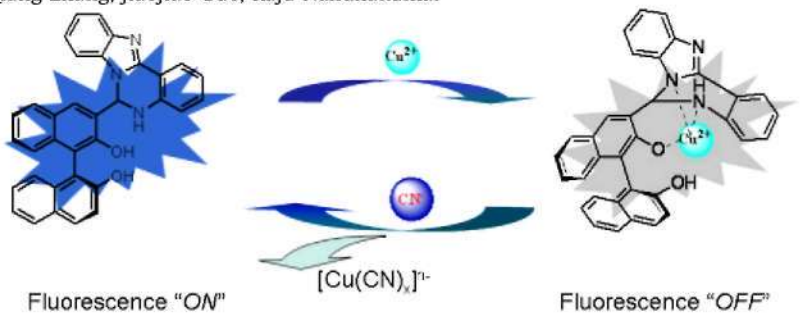




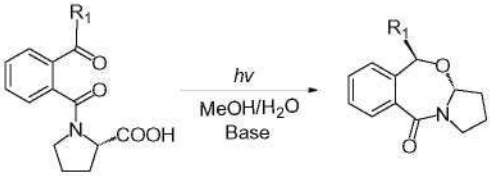
R= Me, OMe, OH, halogen, etc

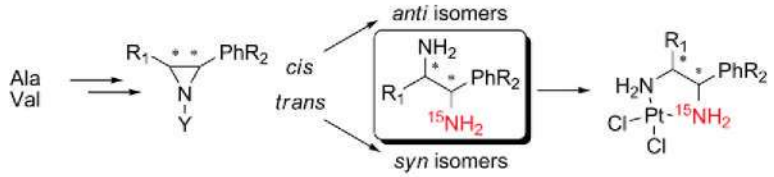
An efficient cross coupling amination of arene with azodicarboxylate to afford hydrazides catalysed by ruthenium chloride has been demonstrated. The catalyst was found to be effective across a spectrum of arenes with a variety of functional groups. The yields are found to be modest to low depending on the type of substrates. The catalyst can be recycled in ligand free conditions to afford the cross coupling reaction.

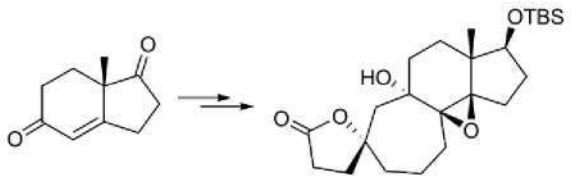


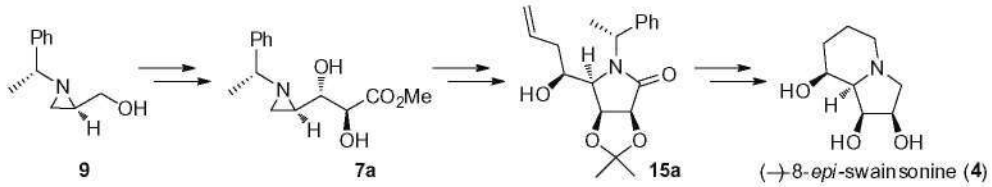


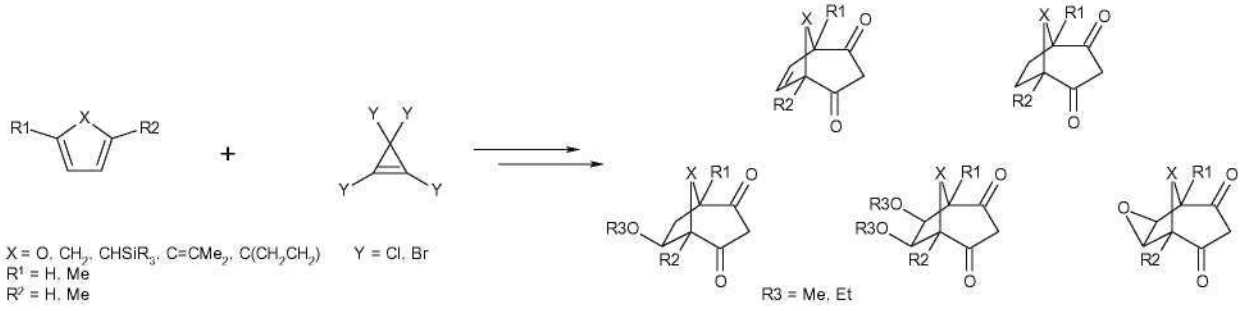
A new benzimidazole-based quinazoline derivative (**1**) as a fluorescent probe for sequential recognition of Cu^{2+} and CN^- has been developed.

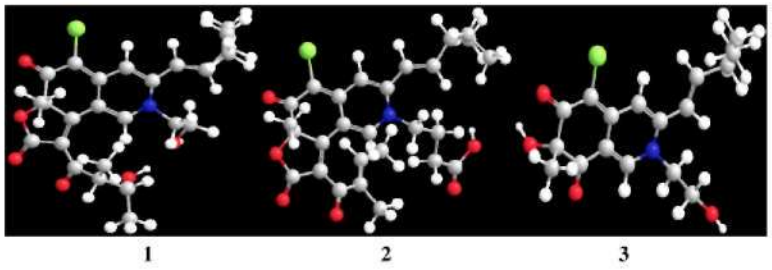




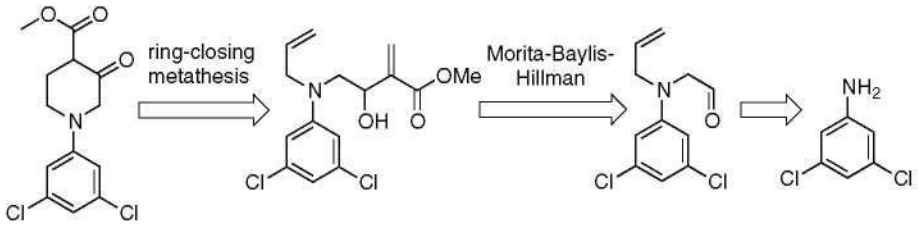


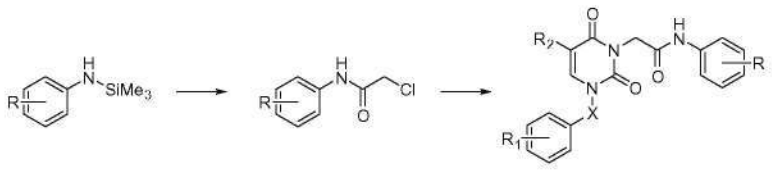




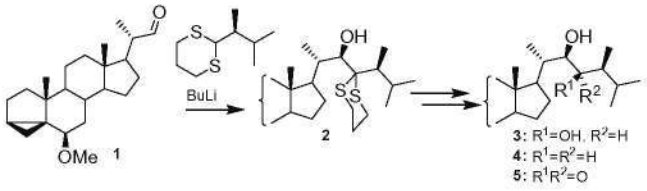


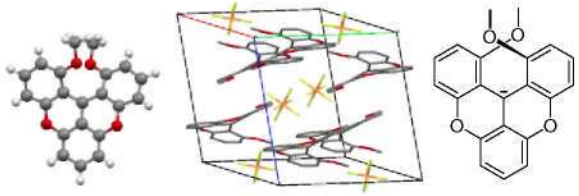
Molecular models of 4′-epi-*N*-2-hydroxyethyl-azachaetoviridin A (**1**), *N*-2-butyric-azochaetoviridin E, and isochromophilone XIII (**3**) isolated from an indoor strain of *Chaetomium globosum*.

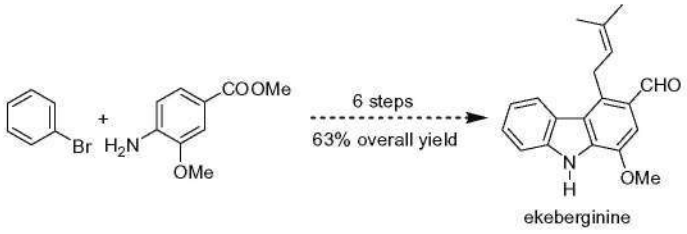


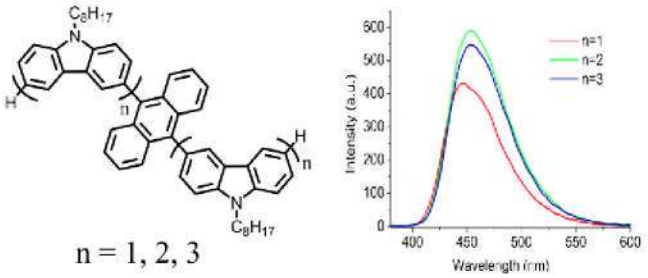


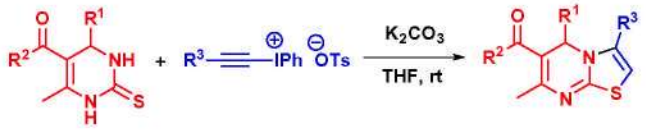
A facile synthetic route for benzimidazoles, benzothiazoles and benzoxazoles comprising the reaction of corresponding *o*-phenylenediamine, *o*-aminothiophenol and *o*-aminophenol with various aldehydes using silica supported nano-copper (II) oxide as a catalyst has been described. The catalyst exhibited clean reaction profile with excellent yields in a short reaction time. The catalyst can be recycled effectively after use.











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