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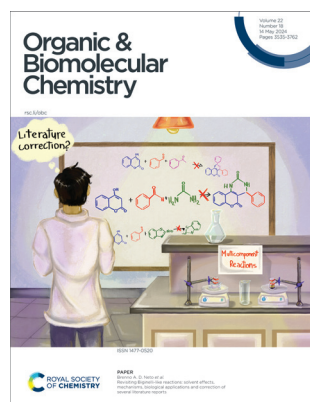
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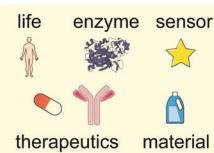
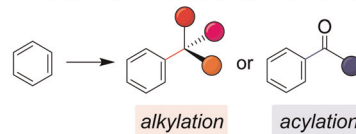
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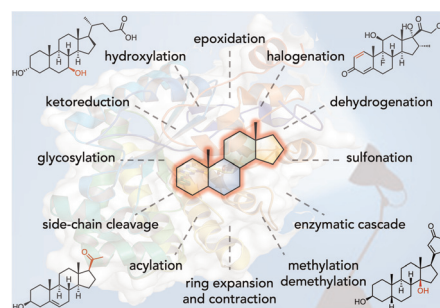
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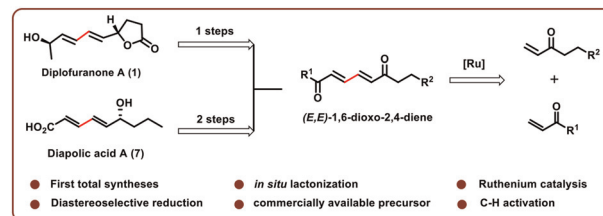
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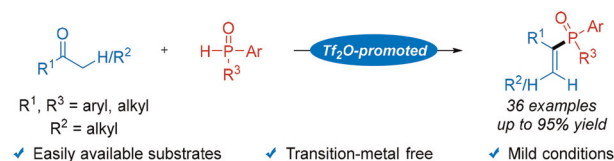
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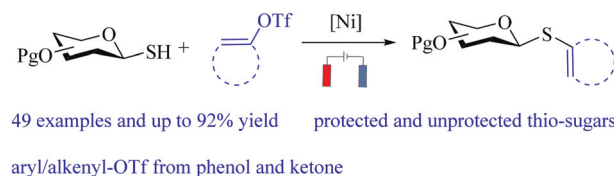
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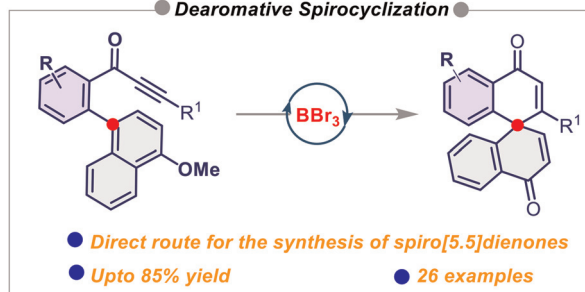
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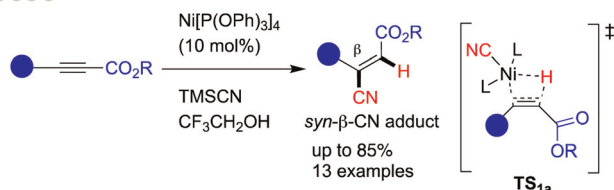
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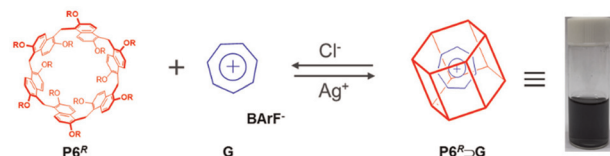
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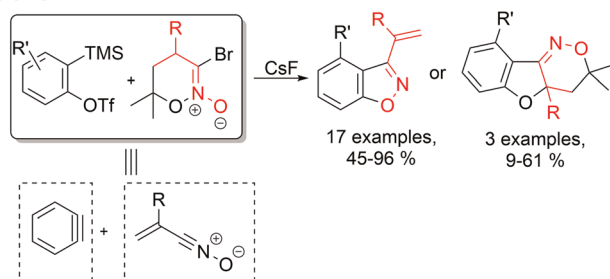
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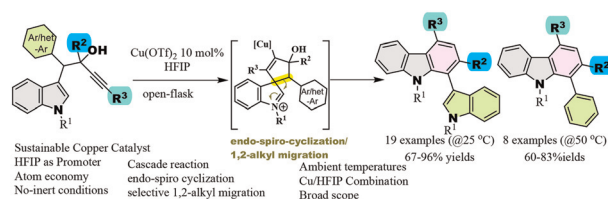


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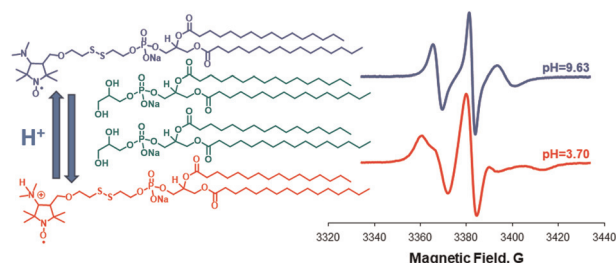
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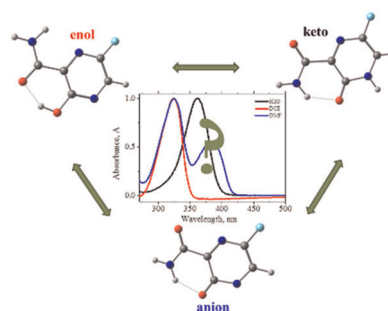
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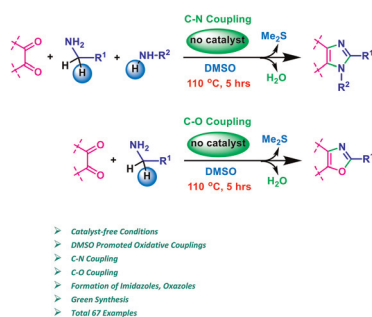
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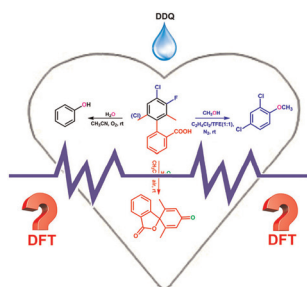
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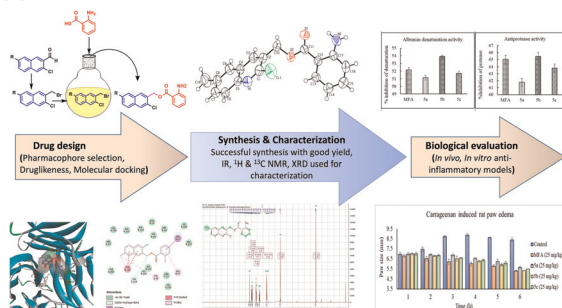
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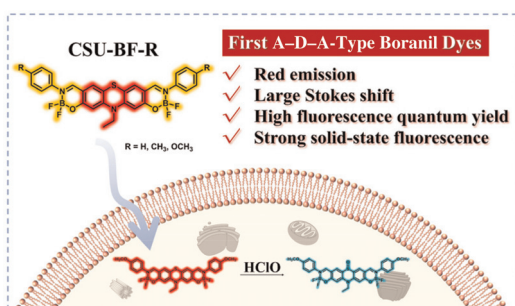
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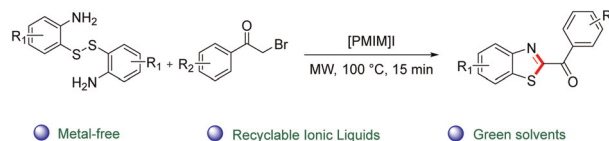


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### Sustainable preparation of 2-acylbenzothiazoles under the cooperation of ionic liquids and microwave irradiation

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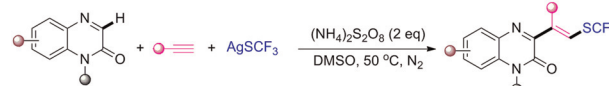


● Metal-free    ● Recyclable Ionic Liquids    ● Green solvents

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### Efficient synthesis of SCF<sub>3</sub>-containing 3-alkenyl-quinoxalinones *via* three-component radical cascade reaction

Si-Yu Wang, Chu Liu, Wei Yang, Zhong-Ying Tian, Lin Yuan and Long-Yong Xie\*



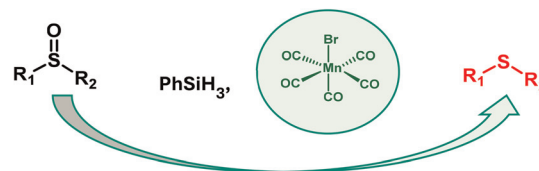
- ★ Transition-metal free
- ★ Excellent stereoselectivity
- ★ Wide substrate scope and FG tolerance
- ★ Mechanism study involving DFT calculation
- ★ Gram-scale synthesis and late-stage functionalizations

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### Reduction of sulfoxides catalyzed by the commercially available manganese complex MnBr(CO)<sub>5</sub>

Daniel L. Lourenço and Ana C. Fernandes\*

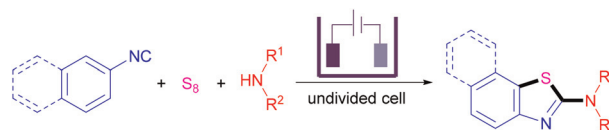


18 examples  
Excellent yields  
Good chemoselectivity  
Short reaction times

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### Electro-oxidative three-component cascade coupling of isocyanides with elemental sulfur and amines for the synthesis of 2-aminobenzothiazoles

Peng-Fei Huang,\* Jia-Le Fu, Ying Peng, Jian-Hong Fan, Long-Jin Zhong, Ke-Wen Tang and Yu Liu\*



- Good functional group tolerance
- Aliphatic amines and aryl amines are well-tolerated
- Elemental sulfur as sulfur source
- Room temperature

