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 Prof. **A. von Zelewsky**  
 Hörsaal/Auditoire UG 113

Vorträge der *Werner* Preisträger 1995  
 Conférences des lauréats du prix *Werner* 1995

**Andreas Manz**  
*SmithKline Beecham Chair of Analytical Chemistry*  
*Department of Chemistry, Imperial College of Science, London*  
 What Can Chips Technology Offer for Next Century's Chemistry and Life Sciences?  
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**Claude Piguet**  
*Département de chimie minérale, analytique et appliquée, Université de Genève*  
 Supramolecular Lanthanide Building Blocks for Organized Luminescent Materials  
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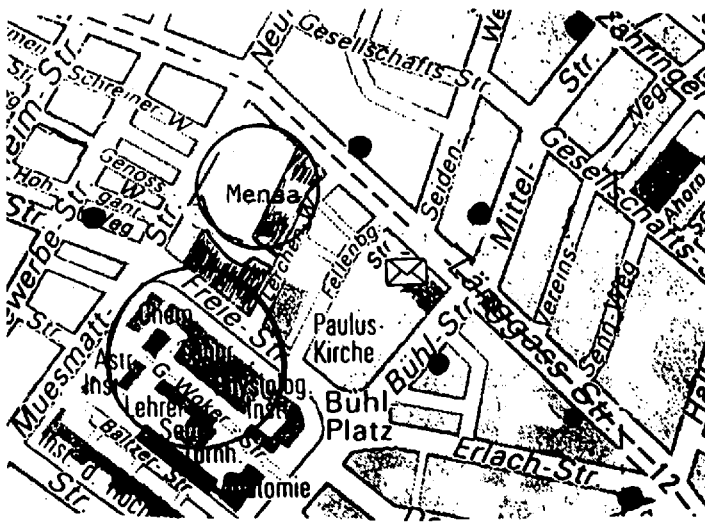
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**Lunch:**

- Cafeteria Sousol
- Mensa Unitobler (2 Minuten Fussweg, 2 minutes de marche)
- Restaurants



**Programm der Herbsttagung  
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**Analytische Chemie  
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Laboratorium für Organische Chemie, ETH-  
Zürich/EAWAG Dübendorf*

Das Kompetenzzentrum für Analytische Chemie  
an der ETH-Zürich

*Abstract 0*

11.40–12.00 *S.R. Müller, M. Berg, R.P. Schwarzenbach  
EAWAG Dübendorf/Eidg. Technische Hochschule,  
Dübendorf*

Analytik von Atrazin und seinen Metaboliten in  
Regenwasser, Grundwasser und Oberflächenge-  
wässern

*Abstract 1*

12.00–12.20 *R. Falter, H.F. Schöler  
Institut für Umwelt-Geochemie, Universität Hei-  
delberg*

Entwicklung einer neuen HPLC-UV-PCO-CVA-  
AS-Methode zur Quecksilberspeziation in ver-  
schiedenen Matrices

*Abstract 2*

12.20–12.40 *G. Sabbioni, O. Sepai  
Institut für Pharmakologie und Toxikologie, Uni-  
versität Würzburg*

Biomonitoring of Workers Exposed to  
Arylamines and Isocyanates

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Institut für organische Chemie, Universität Zürich*  
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cine

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Schuler, M. Walkinshaw,  
Sandoz Pharma AG, Preclinical Research, Basel*  
Probing the Role of the Triene and Cyclohexyl  
Moieties in the Immunosuppressive Activity of  
Rapamycin

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*F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, PRPN, Basel*  
 Design and Synthesis of Novel and Potent Monoamine Oxidase Inhibitors  
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*Ciba-Geigy, Oncology-Research, Basel*  
 Phenylamino-Pyrimidines – A New Class of Highly Selective Kinase-Inhibitors  
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14.00–14.20 *U. Obst, F. Diederich, L. Weber, D.W. Banner*  
*Laboratorium für Organische Chemie, ETH-Zürich/F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, Präklinische Forschung, Basel*  
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14.20–14.40 *S. Cottens, A. Enz, H. Jundt, C. Rufener*  
*Sandoz Pharma AG, Basel*  
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*Ciba-Geigy AG, Pharmaceutical Division, Basel*  
 Design and Synthesis of Novel Potent, Non-Peptide and Orally Active Renin Inhibitors  
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15.20–15.40 *S. Altmann, A. Labhardt, M. Billeter, K. Wüthrich, W. Leupin*  
*F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, Structural Analysis and Gene Technologies, Basel/Institut für Molekularbiologie und Biophysik ETH-Hönggerberg, Zürich*  
 NMR Studies of DNA Duplexes Stabilized by Different Synthetic Linkers  
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15.40–16.00 *R. Hochstrasser, C. Strupp, W. Leupin*  
*Department of Biophysical Chemistry, Biocenter, Basel/Institut für physikalische Chemie, Universität Basel*  
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10.20–10.40 *O. Loiseleur, A. Pfaltz*  
*Institut für organische Chemie, Universität Basel*  
 Chiral Phosphinodihydrooxazoles in Asymmetric Catalysis: Heck Type Reactions  
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10.40–11.00 *W. Oppolzer, J. De Brabander, E. Walther, G. Bernardinelli*  
*Département de chimie organique, Université de Genève*  
 Asymmetric Synthesis of (–)-Denticulatin A and B via Group-Selective Aldolization of a Meso Dialdehyde with a Chiral N-Propionylsultam  
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*Werthenstein Chemie AG, Schachen/Schering Plough Research Institute, Kenilworth*  
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*Organisch-chemisches Institut, Universität Zürich*  
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11.40–12.00 *G. Thoma, F. Schwarzenbach, R.O. Duthaler*  
*Ciba, Central Research Laboratories, Basel*  
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12.00–12.20 *D. Amurrio, G. Anderson, K. Khan, E.P. Kündig, A. Quattropani*  
*Département de chimie organique, Université de Genève*  
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10.20–10.40 *H. Zipse, L.-H. Wang*  
*Institut für organische Chemie, TU Berlin*  
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 Compound Libraries from Parallel Chemistry  
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11.00–11.20 *P. Waldmeier, D. Obrecht, A. Trzeciak, K. Müller F. Hoffmann-La Roche AG, Pharma Research, Basel*  
 Hochsubstituierte Xanthentemplate zur Synthese zyklischer,  $\beta$ -Turn-stabilsierter Tetrapeptidbibliotheken  
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*Organisch-chemisches Institut, Universität Zürich*  
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*Institut für organische Chemie, Universität Basel*  
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14.10–14.30 *T. Bourquard, M. Zahouily, P. Renaud*  
*Institut de chimie organique, Université de Fribourg*  
 Control of the Diastereoselectivity of the Allylation and Deuteration of 2-Hydroxyalkyl Aryl Sulfoxides  
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*Laboratorium für Organische Chemie, ETH-Zürich*  
 Hoch enantioselektive Öffnung cyclischer meso-Anhydride zu Halbestern mit Ti-TADDOLaten  
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*Institut für organische Chemie, Universität Innsbruck*  
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*Institut für organische Chemie, Universität Basel*  
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*Institut für organische Chemie, Universität Bern*  
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*Institut für organische Chemie, Universität Bern*  
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*Departments of Molecular Biology and Chemistry, The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla*  
 Katalyse von Aldolreaktionen durch monoclonale Antikörper  
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*Laboratorium für Technische Chemie, ETH-Zürich*  
 Enantioselective Co-Oligomerisation and Copolymerisation of Propene with Carbon Monoxide  
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15.10–15.30 *U. Diederichsen, H. Schmitt*  
*Institut für organische Chemie & Biochemie, TU München*  
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*Laboratorium für Technische Chemie, ETH-Zürich*

Femtosekunden-Dynamik von Oberflächenprozessen

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*Engler-Bunte-Institut, Umweltmesstechnik, Universität Karlsruhe*Steady-state Detection of the Luminescence of Singlet Oxygen ( $O_2(^1\Delta_g)$ ) in the Near-infrared: a New Equipment for Measurements in Aqueous Media*Abstract 86*11.00–11.20 *M. Eschle, J. Moser, M. Graetzel*  
*Institut de Chimie physique, EPFL, Lausanne*

Triplet States of 1,4-Diketo-pyrrolo[3,4-c]pyrroles (DPP)

*Abstract 87*11.30–11.50 *A. Henseler, E. Vauthey*  
*Institut für physikalische Chemie, Universität Freiburg*

Transient Phase Grating Study of Photoinduced Electron Transfer Reactions in Solution

*Abstract 88*11.50–12.10 *G. Calzaferri, R. Imhof, C. Marcolli*  
*Institut für anorganische, analytische und physikalische Chemie, Universität Bern*

Vibrations of Monosubstituted Octasiloxanes

*Abstract 89*12.10–12.30 *A. Inauen, S. Leutwyler*  
*Institut für anorganische, analytische und physikalische Chemie, Universität Bern*

Chiral Discrimination in Gas-Phase Pair Complexes

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*Institut für physikalische Chemie, Universität Basel*

Solvent Effect on the NMR Chemical Shieldings in Water Calculated by Molecular Dynamics and Density Functional Theory

*Abstract 105*14.30–14.50 *J. Mareda*  
*Département de chimie organique, Université de Genève**Ab initio* Investigation of the  $C_7H_{11}^+$  Potential Energy Surface*Abstract 106*14.50–15.10 *T.A. Wesolowski, J. Weber*  
*Département de chimie physique, Université de Genève*Applications of *Kohn-Sham* Equations with Constrained Electron Density*Abstract 107*15.10–15.30 *A.C. Stückli, C.A. Daul, H.U. Güdel*  
*Institut de chimie inorganique et analytique, Université de Fribourg/Institut für anorganische, analytische und physikalische Chemie, Universität Bern*

Optical Spectra of Transition Metal Tetraoxo Compounds: A Comparison between Experiment and DFT Results

*Abstract 108*15.30–15.50 *S. Graf, T. Brgi, S. Leutwyler, W. Klopffer*  
*Institut für anorganische, analytische und physikalische Chemie, Universität Bern/Interdisziplinäres Projektzentrum für Supercomputing, ETH-Zürich*An *ab initio* Derived Torsional Potential Energy Surface ( $H_2O$ )<sub>3</sub>*Abstract 109***Postersession/Session des posters: Abstracts 110–114:**

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## Anorganische Chemie Chimie minérale et de coordination

### Minisymposium: Small Inorganic Molecules in Biological Systems

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### Minisymposium: Small Inorganic Molecules in Biological Systems

Chairman: *E. Constable*

10.30–11.10 *H. Dalton*

*Department of Biological Sciences, University of Warwick*

Methane Activation by Biological Systems

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11.15–11.55 *W.H. Koppenol*

*Laboratorium für anorganische Chemie, ETH-Zürich*

Peroxonitrite, an Inorganic Toxin

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12.00–12.40 *B. Meunier*

*Laboratoire de chimie de coordination du CNRS, Toulouse*

Potassium Monopersulfate: a Useful Oxidant in DNA Cleavage

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### What can Chips Technology offer for Next Century's Chemistry and Life Sciences?

Andreas Manz

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The recent developments in fabrication of microstructures have started to influence chemistry, biochemistry and microbiology in a very broad sense. This technology is based on the photolithography, etching and layer deposition used in microelectronics. Already in the 70s, researchers started to investigate the fabrication and use of microstructured for ink jet nozzles, micro optical benches, micro coolers, pressure and acceleration transducers, micro mirrors, micro mechanical light modulators, electro mechanical switches and gas chromatography. A significant increase in activities focused on chemical and biological applications can be observed in the last 5 years.

The possibility to obtain specifically designed volumes in the range of 1 mL down to 1 fL, including fluid handling and sensing may have a large variety of applications. These microstructures can be obtained as single test structure or as an array of hundreds to millions of identical structures on the same chip. Photolithographically defined areas for synthesis or activity assays, integrated components such as microelectronics, pumps, valves, spectrometers and light sources can be included into the same structure.

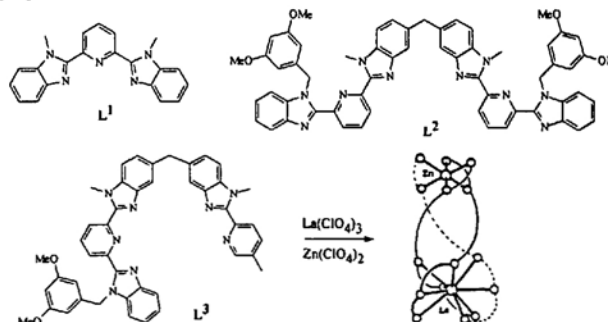
A few examples of results obtained at Ciba-Geigy in analytical chemistry, like electrophoresis and small volume mixers will be shown. They offer good quality separations and chemical reactions in only a few seconds. This is an estimated 50 to 100 times faster than a comparable conventional method, and may play an important role in keeping the analytical expenses of, e.g., pharma research reasonably low.

### Supramolecular Lanthanide Building Blocks for Organized Luminescent Materials

Claude Piguet

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Ligand  $L^1$  reacts with  $Ln(NO_3)_3$  to give strongly luminescent 1:1 complexes  $[Ln(L^1)(NO_3)_2(CH_3OH)]$  which act as UV→vis light-converting devices ( $Ln=Eu, Tb$ ). The use of  $Ln(ClO_4)_3$  in acetonitrile leads to the formation of the *pseudo*-cylindrical  $D_3$  cation  $[Ln(L^1)_3]^{3+}$  where  $Ln(III)$  is coordinated by nine heterocyclic nitrogen donor atoms in a *pseudo*-tricapped trigonal prismatic arrangement. The helical wrapping of the ligands produces interstrand interactions which control the coordination sphere around the metal ion leading to a promising size discriminating effect for the selective complexation of  $Ln(III)$ .  $L^2$ , which possesses two tridentate receptors analogous to  $L^1$ , leads to self-assembled dinuclear lanthanide complexes  $[Ln_2(L^2)_3]^{6+}$  allowing the detailed investigation of Tb→Eu energy transfers in the heterodinuclear complex  $[EuTb(L^2)_3]^{6+}$ . The level of molecular programming can be increased by the introduction of different binding units into the segmental ligand. Reaction of  $L^3$  with a mixture of 4f-block ( $Ln=La$  to  $Lu$ ) and 3d-block metal ions ( $M=Fe, Zn$ ) gives selectively the heterodinuclear d-f complexes  $[LnM(L^3)_3]^{5+}$  in acetonitrile. A judicious choice of the pair of metal ions leads to new lanthanide materials with controlled and predetermined structural, magnetic and photophysical properties.



## Analytische Chemie

**Das Kompetenzzentrum für Analytische Chemie an der ETH Zürich**

Renato Zenobi und Ernö Pretsch, Laboratorium für Organische Chemie,  
ETH Zentrum, CH-8092 Zürich  
René Schwarzenbach, EAWAG, 8600 Dübendorf

Am 20. Juni 1995 wurde das neue Kompetenzzentrum für Analytische Chemie ins Leben gerufen, das in diesem Vortrag vorgestellt werden soll. Die Zielsetzungen dieses Zentrums sind eine verbesserte Zusammenarbeit und ein intensiverer Austausch in Forschung und Unterricht unter analytisch-chemisch tätigen Forschern auf dem Platz Zürich (und darüber hinaus!). Beteiligt daran sind zur Zeit Personen von der ETH Zürich, den Forschungsanstalten des ETH-Bereiches (EMPA, EAWAG, PSI, WSL), der chemischen Industrie, sowie der Universität Zürich.

Konkrete Schritte, die auch für andere Analytischen Chemiker, oder solche, die analytische Dienstleistungen in Anspruch nehmen, von Interesse sein werden, sind eingeleitet worden. Einige Beispiele seien hier angegeben:

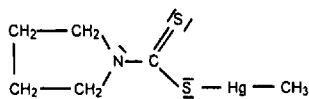
- Organisation eines Kolloquiums Analytische Chemie an der ETHZ
- Organisation von Kursen, Workshops und Tagungen
- Aufbau einer Datenbank über analytisch-chemische know-how, Instrumente, und Dienstleistungen. Diese Datenbank soll unter anderem via elektronische Medien zugänglich gemacht werden.
- Einrichtung eines "Wilhelm Simon Fellowship" für internationalen Austausch

## Analytische Chemie

**Entwicklung einer neuen HPLC-UV-PCO-CVAAS-Methode zur Quecksilberspeziation in verschiedenen Matrices**

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Es wird eine neue instrumentelle HPLC-Methode zur Bestimmung einfach substituierter quecksilberorganischer Verbindungen vorgestellt. Mit dieser Methode können quecksilberorganische Verbindungen getrennt und verbindungspezifisch mittels Kalt-Dampf-AAS (CVAAS) detektiert werden. Die Neuentwicklung hat gegenüber den derzeit angewandten HPLC-Methoden den Vorteil, daß eine Oxidation der komplexierten Quecksilberverbindungen mit einer on-line UV-Bestrahlung durchgeführt wird und deshalb auf eine Zuführung von Oxidationsmittel verzichtet werden kann, was ansonsten eine Peakverbreiterung verursacht. Methyl-, Ethyl-, Phenylquecksilber und  $Hg^{2+}$  können im Bereich von 4 ppb detektiert werden. Durch die Verwendung von SPDC (Natriumpyrrolidindithiocarbamat) als Komplexierungs-Reagenz ergibt sich ein weiterer Vorteil gegenüber der Verwendung von 2-



Mercaptoethanol, dem bisher am häufigsten angewandten Komplexierungsreagenz.  $Hg(PDC)_2$  eluiert nach den quecksilberorganischen Verbindungen

als letzte Verbindung und kann somit im Gegensatz zu 2-Mercaptoethanol den Methylquecksilberpeak bei der Messung von Realproben nicht überdecken. Die neu entwickelte HPLC-PCO-UV-CVAAS-Methode (High Performance Liquid Chromatography - Ultra Violet - Post Column Oxidation - Cold Vapour Atomic Absorption Spectrometry) zeichnet sich durch ihre einfache Handhabbarkeit und gute Reproduzierbarkeit aus. Es werden Applikationen zur Quecksilberspeziation in Böden, Sedimenten, biologischen Matrices, Erdgaskondensaten und aquatischen Proben gezeigt.

## 0 Analytische Chemie

**Analytik von Atrazin und seinen Metaboliten in Regenwasser, Grundwasser und Oberflächengewässern**

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Atrazin ist in der Schweiz das wichtigste Herbizid im Maisanbau (ca. 60t/Jahr). Daher wird es z.B. im Regen, in Oberflächengewässern und im Grundwasser nachgewiesen. Im Kanton Zürich tritt es z.B. in mehr als 10% der Trinkwasserfassungen mit Konzentrationen von grösser 0.1  $\mu g/L$  (Toleranzwert) auf.

Es ist aber wenig bekannt über das Verhalten und das Schicksal von Atrazin und seinen Metaboliten in den verschiedenen Umweltkompartimenten. Das Hauptproblem war bisher die gleichzeitige Erfassung von Atrazin und seinen Metaboliten (z.B. Hydroxyatrazin). Uns ist es jetzt gelungen, eine analytische Methode zu entwickeln, welche die simultane Erfassung der Triazine und ihrer Metaboliten im Spurenbereich erlaubt (Nachweisgrenze 10 ng/L).

Sie basiert auf einer Festphasenextraktion mit Carboxypack B und anschließender Trennung und Erfassung mittels RP-HPLC-DAD (interne Standards: Propazin und Hydroxypropazin). Die Wiederfindungsraten der verschiedenen Triazine in gepikten natürlichen Wässern sind im Bereich von 82 - 100% (RSD 4%). Diese neue analytische Methode wird mit einer GC/MS Methode verglichen, welche deuteriertes Atrazin als internen Standard verwendet.

Die gemessenen Konzentrationen werden weiter mittels Modellrechnungen interpretiert und dadurch gezeigt, dass für ein besseres Verständnis der in der Umwelt ablaufenden Prozesse eine präzise Analytik notwendig ist.

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**Biomonitoring of Workers Exposed to Arylamines and Isocyanates**

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Arylamines and isocyanates are very important intermediates in the production of plastics and polyurethanes. In order to biomonitor people exposed to these chemicals we developed GC-MS methods to measure blood protein adducts of over 30 arylamines. We have applied these methods to biomonitor workers from 4 factories.

In a group of 75 workers coming from a factory with a high incidence of bladder cancer we found extremely high levels (up to 200 ng/g) of hemoglobin (Hb) - adducts of 2-methylaniline (2MA) and aniline, but normal levels of other arylamines.

Two groups of workers investigated were exposed to 4,4'-methylene-dianiline (MDA) and 4,4'-methylenediphenyl diisocyanate (MDI). The air levels of MDA and MDI were below detection limits. Hb-adducts of MDA were found in 94% and N-acetyl-MDA (AcMDA) in 61% of the MDA-workers. Hb-adducts of MDA were found in 38% of the MDI-workers. In MDI workers higher levels were found to be bound on serum albumin (SA). Urine of MDA- and MDI-workers was extracted at alkaline pH with and without preceding acid treatment. MDA and AcMDA were found in the urine of 79% MDA-workers and 67% MDI-workers. In order to release MDA from AcMDA and possible conjugates, urine was treated under strong acidic conditions. Following this procedure MDA was detected in all MDA-workers and in 78% of the MDI-workers.

Another group of workers was exposed to 1,5-naphthalene diisocyanate (NDI). In 65% of the workers 1,5-naphthalenediamine was found in urine and SA treated with acid. No hydrolysable Hb-adducts were found.

In summary for chronically exposed workers urine metabolites can be used as exposure markers. However, toxicologically more relevant data may be accessible by measurement of SA and Hb adducts.

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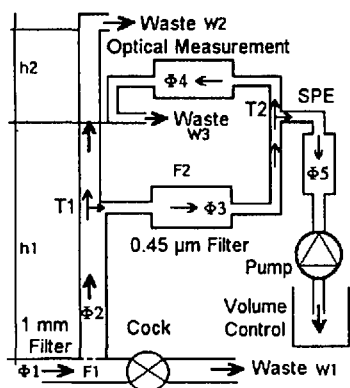
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## River Water Online Filtration for Online Monitoring

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For automated optical measurements of any kind of water it is of basic importance to have a permanent flow of filtered (0.45 µm) sample water at a certain flowrate. Our filtration system shown in the figure delivers filtered



water (0.45 µm) at a flowrate of 5-80 mL/min depending on the turbidity of the water and the age of filter capsule F2 [1]. The flowrate Φ1 of the native sample water is large but laminar (ca. 15 L/min). Depending on the height h1+h2 the flowrate Φ2 is regulated with the cock so that Φ2 is laminar and low. Filter F1 (grid of 1 mm) prevents the penetration of large particles into the tube leading upwards. They are transported into waste W1. With the junction T1 and the open outlet W2 the pressure difference over filter F2 [1] is regulated with the height h2. This

pressure difference has to be very small and is crucial for the function of the system and the lifetime (2-6 weeks) of F2. With the age of the filter capsule Φ3 is decreasing depending on the amount of sand and suspended matter in the sample water. Therefore the capsule should be cleaned (on working days) by removing sand and by reversed water flux. In our experience no maintenance is necessary for the weekends and - normal conditions assumed - also not for 3-4 days. The system delivers at least Φ4 = 5 mL/min for continuous optical measurements. At junction T2 water for solid phase extraction (SPE) with a cartridge is diverted at Φ5 = 1 L/24 h regulated with the tight damming pump. This litre has to flow continuously and constantly over the cartridge. The system has to be absolutely tight.

[1] GelmanScience Mini Capsule Nr. 12123 (0.8 & 0.45 µm, 500 cm<sup>2</sup>)

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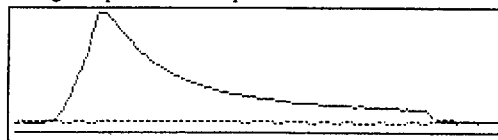
## Barium in River Water by Zeeman-Graphite-Furnace-AAS

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Barium (Ba) forms carbides and stable oxides. So problems arise measuring Ba in a graphite furnace. The following method works for river water:

Calibration:	Standard addition (each sample), peak height
Addition steps:	3, each 0.25 ng
Wavelength:	553.6 nm (reduced slit)
Background compensation:	Zeeman
Ashing temperature:	500° C, 10 sec
Atomisation temperature:	2800° C, 3 sec
Tube:	pyrolytic coated partition tube
Modifier:	5 µg Si preinject
Sample:	20 µL, 0.06 - 0.5 ng
Accuracy of 20 ppb Standard:	95 - 105 %
Linearity:	0.1 - 1.5 ng
Determination limit:	0.06 ng (= ¼ of 1. addition; in 20 µL: 3 ppb)

The standard addition method is to be preferred as it pays regard to the yield of atomised Ba atoms, the matrix etc. As modifier we tested Al and Si. Al alone shows absorption at 553.6 nm and in the presence of Ba the signal is a double peak. These problems don't arise with Si. To build up a layer between the pyrolytic graphite and the dried sample the modifier is preinjected. The ashing temperature is kept low at 500° C to avoid formation of fritted



oxides. The signal shows a pronounced tailing. In the figure the signal corresponds to 0.8 ng Ba giving 0.56 absorption. The blank after several measurements is < 0.01 ng (< 0.01 absorption) so no memory effect is observed. The measured concentrations of several rivers (small and large) are 15-50 ppb.

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## Hoch-sensitive Detektion von pH-Wertänderungen mit der Methode der Photoakustik als analytisches Werkzeug

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In der Photochemie wird der auf Thyndall und Bell zurückgehende optoakustische Effekt schon seit geraumer Zeit zur Bestimmung von strahlungslosen Relaxationsprozessen herangezogen. In dieser Arbeit soll Laser Induced Photoacoustic Spectroscopy (LIPAS) [1] als analytisches Werkzeug eingesetzt werden, um pH-Änderungen in wässrigen Systemen zu erfassen. Die pH-Wertänderungen werden über eine selbstentwickelte Membran erfaßt, die mit einem pH-sensitiven Farbstoff überzogen und in einer Pufferlösung eingelagert ist [2]. Eine pH-Änderung der Puffer-Lösung bewirkt eine Veränderung des Absorptionsspektrums des immobilisierten Indikatorfarbstoffs und damit eine Veränderung der absorbierten Lichtenergie. Da absorbierte Lichtenergie und photoakustisches Signal proportional sind (1), kann letzteres als Maß für die pH-Änderung benutzt werden.

$$H \sim E_0 \cdot (1 - 10^{-A}) \quad (1)$$

Der Einsatz von Photoakustik in einem heterogenen System, bestehend aus pH-sensitiver Membran und Pufferlösung, ermöglicht im Vergleich zur konventionellen Spektroskopie eine enorme Steigerung der Empfindlichkeit von pH-Wertmessungen.

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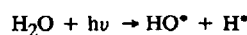
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## Methanol, ein alternativer Aktinometer zur Bestimmung des Photonenflusses in wässrigen Systemen unter Vakuum-Ultraviolett-Bestrahlung ?

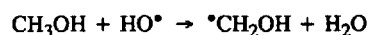
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Durch Vakuum-Ultraviolett (VUV)-Photolyse von wässrigen Systemen, z.B. mit Xe-Excimer-Strahlern, die eine fast monochromatische Strahlung bei 172 nm Wellenlänge emittieren, ist es möglich, darin gelöste organische Verbindungen abzubauen. Diese Abbaureaktionen werden hauptsächlich durch die bei der Wasserphotolyse entstehenden Hydroxylradikale und Wasserstoffatome initiiert.



Durch die räumliche Trennung von Gasentladungsraum und Elektroden ergeben sich für den Einsatz und das Design dieser Strahler sowie die Reaktorgeometrie vielfältige Alternativen, bei denen allerdings die emittierte Strahlungsleistung desselben Strahlers variieren kann. Da die Strahlungsleistung den für den Betrieb und die Konzeption von Photoreaktoren zentralen Parameter darstellt, ergibt sich die Notwendigkeit einer "in situ"-Aktinometrie.

Im Rahmen dieser Arbeit wurde Methanol als organische Modellsubstanz eingesetzt und die Abhängigkeit der Methanolabbaurate von der Reaktorgeometrie, der Verweilzeit und der Konzentration an gelöstem Sauerstoff untersucht.



Die über die Methanolabbaurate ermittelten Strahlungsleistungen wurden mit denen auf physikalischem Wege ermittelten Werten verglichen.



### Nitrogen determination according to Kjeldahl: A comparison of three different techniques

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Classical Kjeldahl Analysis (CKA) is a well established technique for the quantitative determination of organic nitrogen. It is based on three steps:

#### 1) Kjeldahl digestion:

The sample (between 100 mg and 1-3 g) is strongly heated in a Kjeldahl flask with 98% sulfuric acid during 2-3 hours. Nitrogen is released from organic materials and is present in the digested solution as ammonium.

#### 2) Distillation step:

After adding a 30% NaOH solution to the digested sample, ammonia is distilled using water steam and collected in a 2% boric acid solution.

#### 3) Determination of ammonium by titration:

The ammonium content is determined by titration with 0.1M NaOH solution.

The CKA technique is a standard procedure for nitrogen and protein determination in food. The protein amount is determined by multiplying the nitrogen content with a factor *f* depending on the sample analyzed, for instance *f* = 6.38 for dairy products (milk, cheese, ..).

The distillation step represents an *additional error source* and an *increase of the analysis time*. This step can be avoided by direct determination of nitrogen by means of 1) an ammonia gas-sensing electrode or 2) by reaction of ammonium with formaldehyde to urotropine ((CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>6</sub>N<sub>4</sub>, Hexamethylenetetramine). In the first case, ammonia diffuses through the membrane of the gas-sensing electrode and leads to a change of the electrolyte pH-value inside the electrode. On the other side, ammonium reacts with formaldehyde to urotropine according to:



The ammonium content can be finally determined by titration of sulfuric acid.

In this contribution it will be shown how these methods can be automated using modern automatic titrators. In particular, *accuracy, reproducibility and time-saving* of the techniques will be illustrated and compared with the results obtained with ammonium sulfate solutions as model samples for Kjeldahl digested solutions. Finally, the protein contents in dairy products determined with each technique will be compared and discussed.

### Determination of Oligosaccharides in Soil by MALDI-TOF-MS

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In the Valle Onsernone, Ticino, six locations were determined, which show identical climatic parameters and pedological factors, whereat the age of the fallow land is the only varying factor.

In soil samples from these locations, oligosaccharides of different size and structure have been detected. They are the product of plant and animal residue degradation.

They have been identified by matrix-assisted laser desorption ionization time-of-flight mass spectrometry (MALDI-TOF-MS).

On the one hand, the MALDI-TOF spectra show a sequence of linear oligosaccharides up to a molecular weight of 2000 Dalton - on the other hand, cyclic structures in the mass range up to 4000 Dalton have been detected. The MALDI-TOF spectra exhibit good reproducibility of the peak intensities. The influence of the age of fallow land to the oligosaccharide distribution have been investigated. A direct correlation of the age of fallow land to the oligosaccharide distribution has been found. Therefore, the MALDI-TOF spectra allow to estimate directly the age of fallow land.

Spectra obtained by MALDI-TOF mass spectrometry do not give any hints about the structure of the oligosaccharides. To get more information, the oligosaccharides have been exposed to enzymatic hydrolysis. The high selectivity of the enzymes allows to determine the subunits the oligosaccharides are based on, and the linkage positions and the occurrence of side chains.

### Isoelectric focusing of Tamm-Horsfall glycoproteins: A simple tool for recognizing recurrent calcium oxalate renal stone formers

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Tamm-Horsfall glycoprotein (THP) of healthy probands is a powerful crystal aggregation inhibitor of calcium oxalate, the most common component of renal stones, while THP of recurrent calcium oxalate renal stone formers does not show this physiological function (1, 2).

In the present study, isoelectric focusing (IEF) in ultrathin gels was used to further characterize the physicochemical properties of THPs from recurrent calcium oxalate stone formers and healthy probands.

THPs from healthy probands and a majority of recurrent calcium oxalate stone formers reveal different physicochemical properties when analyzed using IEF. The pI-values of THPs from healthy probands are approximately 3.5 while THPs from recurrent stone formers have pI values between 4.5 and 6. The two groups of THPs exhibit completely different protein patterns. This proves that the functionally different THPs are structurally different. The differences in IEF analysis allow to differentiate between THPs from healthy probands and recurrent calcium oxalate stone formers and may be used as a simple diagnostic method in the recognition of recurrent calcium oxalate stone formers.

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### Application of Two-Step Laser Mass Spectrometry (L2MS) to Polymer Additives

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Two-step laser mass spectrometry (L2MS) is a modern analytical method that features intact vaporization and efficient soft ionization of high-molecular weight compounds. It utilizes a pulsed CO<sub>2</sub> laser for desorption of neutral molecules, a pulsed, tunable UV laser for resonance-enhanced multiphoton postionization, and a reflectron time-of-flight mass spectrometer for mass analysis. L2MS is a highly sensitive and optically selective analysis method. It can serve as a very powerful tool for the direct chemical analysis of selected compounds in complex sample mixtures, such as tissue matrices, polymer materials, environmental samples, and geo/cosmochemical materials.

We applied L2MS to the direct chemical analysis of polymer additives. Polymers are one of the most important materials used in today's world. Most polymers are synthetic chains or cross-linked macromolecules. To improve their properties, additives protecting them against UV radiation, oxidation, weathering etc. are widely used. In this study direct L2MS experiments were carried out on various polymers to study the anti-oxidants and UV stabilizers. Because the desorption spot is very small, the spatial distribution of additives in the polymer can be investigated by L2MS, which is important to verify their effectiveness.

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### An API-Quistor-Quadrupole Mass Spectrometer for Ambient-Air Analysis

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In the 1980's an environmental protection law was passed which set, amongst other things, limits for organic and inorganic substances in ambient air and emissions. Due to this extensive measurements were started.

Commercially available instruments have several drawbacks as low time resolution (minutes for NO<sub>2</sub>, SO<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>3</sub>), narrow field of use (one instrument for each of the substances mentioned above), low selectivity (methane / non-methane hydrocarbons) and size of instrument (transportability). Therefore an instrument without these drawbacks was required.

The instrument described shows none of these. It has a wide field of use (simultaneous determination of organic and inorganic substances), a short response time (seconds), high selectivity (differentiation of the relevant substances) and a moderate size.

The instrument consist of three compartments vvhich are differentially pumped: the inlet region, held at about 1 mbar, the ionization and storage region at 10<sup>-5</sup> mbar, and the quadrupole detector at 10<sup>-6</sup> mbar. The air is ionized in a penning ion source, stored up to 2 seconds and then detected in the quadrupole mass filter.

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### A New MALDI Tandem QUISTOR, Time-of-Flight Mass Spectrometer

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The combination of matrix-assisted laser desorption/ionization (MALDI) with a time-of-flight (TOF) mass spectrometer is a powerful setup to measure large molecules with high sensitivity. In the ionization process the ions are created with wide angular distribution and high initial energy deposition which leads to a relatively low mass resolution.

Ion trapping in a quadrupole ion store (QUISTOR) is an approach to decrease the velocity and spatial distribution of ions before separation in the time-of-flight analyzer. A TOF-MS with the QUISTOR located directly in the flight tube has been constructed. This setup allows experiments on ion trapping in a wide range of interest. In our instrument, the target is placed at the endcap of the QUISTOR, where the sample molecules are ionized by a short laser pulse. With a pulsed gas valve a high storage gas concentration is generated in the QUISTOR for a short time, which is essential for efficient trapping and cooling. The ions are extracted into the flight tube after storing them for 0.1 - 2 seconds. Details on the instrument and measurement results are presented, including studies of the storage capability with different trapping parameters, extraction modes and kinetic energy of stored ions. Spectra of different substances, including polymers and proteins, are shown.

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### New matrices for Matrix-Assisted Laser Desorption Ionization MS (MALDI)

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Besides the instrumental technique, the search for new matrix compounds is one of the most important fields of interest. A large number of very different matrix compounds have been investigated and published so far.

For this work we focussed on the similarities in the chemical structures of some commonly used matrices. These are compounds like 2,5-dihydroxybenzoic acid (DHB), salicylic acid, 2,4,6-trihydroxyacetophenone, anthranilic acid and others. All of these compounds are containing a hydroxy group or an amino group in the ortho-position to a carbonyl group in a benzene ring. All of these compounds show the possibility of a hydrogen bond between the phenolic H-atom and the carbonylic O-atom. Related to this H-bond is another interesting property, reported for salicylic acid and some others: A proton transfer under UV irradiation along the described H-bond from the phenolic group to the carbonylic O-atom yielding a dipolar metastable species. If there is a relation between the observed transition and the ability of a substance to work as a matrix, then it should be possible to find new matrix compounds.

New results will be shown with several compounds, tested as matrices for MALDI. All of these are containing the described structure element and are also showing the discussed proton transfer under UV irradiation.

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### Analysis of Hydrophobic Peptides and Proteins using ESI- and APCI-MS

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Over the past few years electrospray ionization (ESI) and atmospheric pressure chemical ionization (APCI) have revolutionized the mass spectrometry of biomolecules. The combination of mass spectrometry with on-line separation methods is playing an increasing role in the characterization of biomolecules. Currently the combination of HPLC/MS is one of the most popular and successful separation techniques to deal with the analytical challenges of isolating and identifying biologically important compounds. These include peptides, proteins, oligosaccharides, oligonucleotides and many other compounds important in biochemical processes.

Up to the present, analyses have been performed mainly on biopolymers that are soluble in aqueous solutions. Hydrophobic peptides and proteins are in general not soluble in the solutions typically used in mass spectrometry, therefore mass spectrometric analysis of very hydrophobic species, such as membrane proteins, have seldomly been reported in the literature. The main reason for this is the incompatibility of the mass spectrometric methods with the detergents and salts which are used to retain the proteins in solution.

We present data for bacterioopsin, bacteriorhodopsin and their fragments, generated by proteolytic digestion with *S. aureus* protease V8 and cyanogen bromide as well as of other hydrophobic proteins, applying ESI and APCI in combination with on-line HPLC.

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**SUPERCRITICAL FLUID EXTRACTION [SFE] OF TRIAZINE HERBICIDES FROM ENVIRONMENTAL MATRICES: A POWERFUL SELECTIVE ANALYTICAL METHOD.****S. Papilloud, W. Haerdi,**

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Atrazine and three of its metabolites desethyl-atrazine, desethyl-desiosopropyl-2-hydroxyatrazine and 2-hydroxyatrazine were extracted from different environmental matrices: soils, sediments and plants. Standard extraction conditions were kept similar with all different types of matrices so that comparison could be possible. The recovery of the target analytes varied drastically from one matrix to one another. An extraction performed with modified supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> is compared to a classical solid/liquid extraction [methanol: water (4:1)]. SFE does not require a clean-up of the extract that the classical methods usually do for any of the sample types. SFE extracts can be analysed directly. The method enables analysis of all target analytes. Recoveries are usually good, however, the natural sample have lower recoveries results than the laboratory spiked sample. The classical extraction procedure gave the best recoveries but does not allow quantitation of metabolites. Clean up of the extracts should be done, but means loss of time and recoveries.

SFE is an accurate analytical method that allows quantification of polar pesticides with high reproducibility and specificity, avoiding coextraction of important quantities of sample matrix. Such properties were seldom demonstrated for supercritical fluid extraction of polar pesticides like atrazine and its metabolites.

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**Résolution de mélanges racémiques par GC au moyen de colonnes chirales mixtes****S. Claude, R. Tabacchi**

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Des séparations de mélanges racémiques variés ont été réalisées au moyen de colonnes chirales renfermant respectivement du TBDMS-6-, diMe-2,3- [1], et du TBDMS-6, diAc-2,3-β cyclodextrine [2] dilués dans OV 1701.

Ces deux entités possèdent une polarité très différentes, et des énantiosélectivités souvent spécifiques. A l'exemple d'un travail précédent [3], il nous a paru intéressant de concevoir des colonnes à partir de leur mélange en proportions variées.

Les résultats obtenus débouchent sur d'enrichissantes perspectives: gain sur α et maintien des énantiosélectivités respectives, ceci pour les mélanges analysés sur les trois catégories de colonnes.

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**Substituted β-Cyclodextrins: Chiral Stationary Phases for HPLC.****Michel Monziane, S.G. Claude, R. Tabacchi**

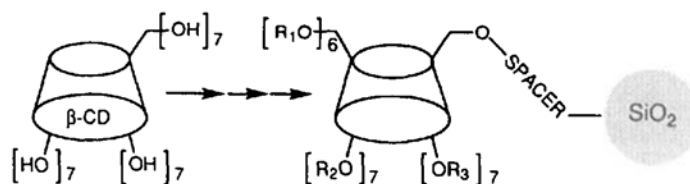
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The separation of chiral molecules is an area of increasing importance in pharmaceutical and biochemical testing. However, this also represents one of the most difficult challenges in separation science.

The aim of this work is to design new cyclodextrin columns for the separation of enantiomers. Our approach consists in the chemical binding of the substituted β-cyclodextrin via a spacer to a silica support (LiChrospher® Si 100; 5 μm). The coverage density have to be the highest as possible.

Both the linkage and modified β-cyclodextrin must be hydrolytically stable under standard LC conditions.

The reproducibility and the low cost of the synthetic procedure are two important factors to consider to be used in a large scale.



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**Simultaneous Potentiometric and Optical Investigation of Solvent Polymeric Membranes****Titus Zwickl, Bernhard Schneider, and Ernö Pretsch**  
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Poly(vinyl chloride) (PVC) based solvent polymeric membranes are routinely used in ion-selective electrodes (ISEs) and optodes. Recently, a series of questions arose concerning the water uptake of the membrane and the leaching of its components, the deposition of proteins on its surface, and the presence of impurities in membrane components having a considerable influence on the sensor response. New kinds of membrane phases have been developed and are tested on the basis of criteria established from a detailed investigation of the membrane processes.

Here we report on *simultaneous* potentiometric and optical investigations on PVC membranes. Time-dependent concentration profiles are registered after changing the composition of the aqueous sample phase. Diffusion coefficients of different membrane components are evaluated and correlated with long-term potential drifts recorded during the experiment.

The water uptake of PVC membranes depends on the composition of the sample solution. Various new methods have been used to monitor the water diffusion through membranes, large differences being observed between membranes of PVC and of newly synthesized polyurethanes.

## Automatic Compatibility Check of Structures and Mass Spectra

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Computer programs for testing proposed structures against spectra have been developed. Such algorithms are useful both as a tool for automatically validating spectroscopic data and as a filter attached to structure generators for eliminating results incompatible with given spectra.

This contribution focuses on the use of mass spectrometry. Since reliable predictions of mass spectra from chemical structures are not possible as yet [1], the program developed solely examines which signals of the target spectrum *might be* generated on the basis of simple rules [2-3]. These include the simple fragmentation of one or two bonds, H rearrangements, neutral fragment losses, and combinations thereof. The measured mass spectrum is compared with predicted possible fragments and the fraction of the total ion current of unexplained peaks serves as a criterion for rejecting or accepting the constitution proposed.

The fragmentation rules used are to be optimized in order to achieve a high degree of discerning wrong constitutions. Test sets for a variety of compound classes have been prepared by using a mass spectrometric database and generating a series of isomers of the selected entries with the help of a structure generator. Thus, optimization of the comparative process can be done on the basis of training sets containing entries of identical molecular formula.

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## Development of New Dyes for Use in Integrated Optical Sensors

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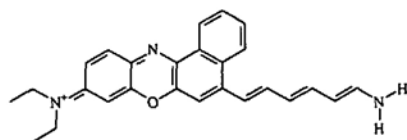
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Several optical sensors, based on plasticized polyvinylchloride membranes have been developed. Contrary to ion-selective electrodes, optodes incorporate pH-sensitive dyes (chromoionophores) to transduce the chemical signal into an optical signal. New measuring techniques e.g. integrated optics allow the miniaturisation of optodes and therefore extend the range of applications of optical sensors.

Using III-V semiconductor based laser diodes, the loss of efficiency is minimal at wavelengths above 800 nm. This is also the spectral region where inexpensive consumer laser diodes have their output maximum. In order to apply the chemically selective membranes in miniaturized and rather cheap sensors, the known system of bulk membrane optodes is adapted to the near-infrared (NIR) range. For this reason, pH-indicators have to be considered, fulfilling the requirements of a chromoionophore for optode membranes (proton selectivity, lipophilicity, membrane solubility, photochemical stability, etc.).

Starting from the Nile blue molecule backbone, models for new chromoionophores have been derived. Using the Pariser-Parr-Pople method (PPP) followed by configuration interaction (CI), the wavelength of maximum absorbance was estimated for these dyes. The quality of the estimations was evaluated by comparison with molecules with known absorbance spectra.

In addition, several NIR-dyes (commercially available or synthesized) were tested as chromoionophores. The solubility of charged dye molecules was studied in different membrane compositions.



Example of a model compound derived from Nile blue

$\lambda_{\max}$  (calculated) = 824 nm

## Micellar Biooptode Membranes

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Optical biosensors are mostly two-layer devices: one layer including the immobilized biocatalyst, and the second layer containing the components for chemical and physico-chemical transduction. In such cases, the recognition process of the analyte takes place in a different layer than that hosting the chemical transduction, resulting in a long diffusion pathway and a decrease in sensitivity. A promising new development in the design of biosensors is presented here, using *reverse micelles* to entrap enzymes in bulk optode membranes. The amphiphilic properties of a reverse micellar system allow to combine the specific enzyme for a neutral target analyte with a chemical transduction process in the same polymeric membrane. As a first example, urea-sensitive *reverse micelle based biooptode membranes* were obtained, combining the enzymatic hydrolysis of urea with the components of a  $\text{NH}_4^+$ -selective optode membrane. The response of the optode is based on an ion-exchange mechanism, as shown in figure 1.

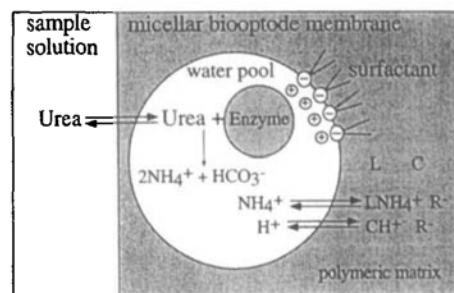


Fig.1: Scheme of the urea-sensitive *reverse micelle based biooptode membrane*.  
L:  $\text{NH}_4^+$ -selective ionophore  
C:  $\text{H}^+$ -selective chromoionophore  
R: lipophilic anions.

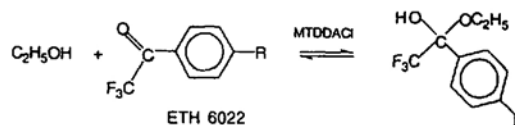
## Monitoring of Ethanol in a Bioreactor by a Chemical Sensor.

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An ethanol-selective chemical sensor, which was developed at the Swiss Federal Institute of Technology in Zürich (ETHZ), and its application to continuous monitoring of ethanol as produced in a bioreactor is shown. The sensing concept is based on a trifluoroacetophenone derivative exhibiting



an absorbance at  $\lambda=305$  nm incorporated in a bulk optode membrane. With increasing concentration of ethanol the equilibrium of the reaction is shifted to the right side and the concentration of the hemiacetal within the membrane increases. The membrane was fixed in a specially designed flow-through cuvette and operated in a commercial photometer. This arrangement was used for continuous monitoring of ethanol production in a bioreactor at the Engineering School Wädenswil (ISW). Each batch of the reactor broth showed an ethanol concentration up to 11% vol/vol after 15-20 hours. Not taking care of any interference by the sample matrix and avoiding any sample pretreatment, the partial pressure of ethanol was monitored in the vapour phase. At constant pressure and temperature, the absorbance decreased linearly with increasing partial pressure of ethanol as compared to the reference procedure.

**Enantioselective Amino Acid Analysis in Fossil Snail Shells for Dating**

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After the death of an organism its L amino acids undergo racemization because they are no longer involved in the biological turn-over process. In a calcareous matrix such as the shells of snails or bivalves this racemization runs undisturbed, under constant pH and without amino acid exchange with the environment. The degree of racemization, as found in such types of fossils, represents the geological age although dating is not straightforward due to the strong influence of temperature and biological species. The time range which can be covered by this method is identical to the Quaternary (the last ca. 1.6 million years), a geological time span which suffers from a very limited number of dating possibilities.

Enantioselective analysis of D/L amino acids in trace amounts is possible with gas chromatography on a chiral stationary phase (ChirasilVal). The protocol for shell cleaning, protein hydrolysis, calcium removal, and the necessary derivatization of the amino acids to trifluoroacetyl amides/isopropyl esters is presented. An important question is the problem of which precautions are necessary (and which ones are unnecessary) to prevent the sample contamination with L amino acids from the analyst as well as from reagents and glassware.

First results of dating Quaternary Alpine sediments by amino acid racemization will be presented.

**Le dosage des hydrocarbures aromatiques polycycliques dans le poisson, les produits carnés et le fromage par chromatographie liquide à haute performance**

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Le présent travail propose un certain nombre d'améliorations et de simplifications au dosage par RP-HPLC des hydrocarbures aromatiques polycycliques de diverses denrées alimentaires, surtout en ce qui concerne la taille et le „clean-up“ des échantillons, les volumes de solvants et d'éluants nécessaires ainsi que le choix du diamètre intérieur de la colonne de séparation. La détection est spectrofluorométrique à longueurs d'onde d'excitation et d'émission programmées. Les diverses modifications proposées permettent non seulement des économies de réactifs, mais encore des améliorations des limites de détection et de la résolution chromatographique de ces composés. A 4 exceptions près, les taux de récupération déterminés par des ajouts connus („spiking“ des échantillons) sont supérieurs à 80 %. La répétabilité est voisine de 10 % relatifs. La limite de détection dans les matrices considérées est de l'ordre de 1 µg/kg. L'application en routine de cette méthode, simple et rapide, à un grand nombre de denrées alimentaires provenant du commerce a montré que le fumage est l'une des principales sources de HAP (avant cuisson), l'autre origine étant probablement une contamination par l'environnement. Les HAP mis en évidence dans les produits fumés ne sont pas particulièrement toxiques et leurs teneurs toujours inférieures à 10 µg/kg. Les HAP les plus dangereux pour la santé (cancérogènes) ne se rencontrent que très rarement et généralement en teneurs inférieures à 10 µg/kg. Les HAP présents dans les fromages d'alpages sont dus à la fumée lors du chauffage des laits sur foyers ouverts. Ce sont donc d'excellents marqueurs de telles fabrications puisqu'on ne les trouve en principe pas dans les fromages fabriqués en plaine dans des cuves chauffées à la vapeur (foyers fermés).

**Methode zur quantitativen Bestimmung von Gentamicin und Neomycin in Fleisch, Leber und Niere mit HPLC und Nachsäulenderivatisierung**

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Gentamicin und Neomycin gehören zur Familie der Aminoglycosid-Antibiotika mit breitem Wirkungsspektrum gegen grampositive und gramnegative Bakterien und werden deshalb häufig sowohl prophylaktisch wie therapeutisch in der Tiermast eingesetzt.

Eine HPLC-Methode basierend auf Nachsäulenderivatisierung wird zur quantitativen Bestimmung von Gentamicin und Neomycin in Niere und Leber von Schweinen, Rindern und Kälbern beschrieben.

Die Fleischproben (je 5 g) werden homogenisiert, mit wässriger Trichloroessigsäurelösung (20 ml) mittels Polytron extrahiert und bei 4'000 U/min (ca. 2900 g) zentrifugiert. Der Ueberstand wird mit 30% NaOH auf pH = 6.2 ± 0.3 justiert und mit Dikaliumhydrogenphosphat/ Natriumphosphat (pH = 6.2) auf 40 ml verdünnt. Die gelbe Lösung wird bei 18'000 U/min (ca. 37000 g) ultrazentrifugiert und anschliessend auf eine konditionierte SCX-SPEC-Disk (schwacher Kationentauscher) appliziert. Gentamicin und Neomycin werden direkt mittels einer Natriumhydroxid-Lösung in ein Autosampler-Vial eluiert und mit Salzsäure auf einen pH < 7 gestellt. Die Analyse geschieht an einer Spezialsäule (Nucleosil AB) mittels Ionenpaar-Reagentien [0.05 M Campher-10-sulfonat/Acetonitril (78/22 v/v)]. Gentamicin und Neomycin werden nach der Analyse mittels o-Phthaldialdehyd derivatisiert und im Fluoreszenzdetektor bei 340 nm, 440 nm nachgewiesen.

Die Wiederfindung für Gentamicin im Bereich 100 - 200 ppb für Leber beträgt 90%. Die Bestimmungsgrenze beträgt 50 ppb.

Die Wiederfindung für Neomycin im Bereich 100 - 200 ppb für Leber beträgt ca 85%. Die Bestimmungsgrenze liegt bei 50 ppb.

**Strontium-90 analysis by Ionic Chromatography and On-line Liquid Scintillation Counting.**

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The important role of the beta emitter Strontium-90 in our environment has been considered since the nuclear age. This long half-life isotope (28.1 years) is produced in a relatively high yield (5.8 % from Uranium-235) during the fission of heavy elements. It has been reported to be the major artificial source of internal irradiation of the human body. Its valence shell electron configuration is the same as Calcium and so this isotope is easily fixed in bones.

The classical analysis of this particular isotope required several weeks since we obtain Yttrium-90 itself also a beta emitter.

We developed a new trace analysis method by coupling High Pressure Ionic Chromatography (HPIC), to separate Strontium-90 from natural or power plant reactor water, and on-line liquid scintillation counting detector, measuring the beta emission of low concentration Strontium-90 before Yttrium-90 is formed in a significant amount.

We report here some analysis parameters : HPIC setup, scintillation cocktail, window, efficiency of the counting, linearity and detection limits.

We were able to determine very low concentrations of Strontium-90, detection limit : 6.3 10<sup>-12</sup> mole/L without preconcentration (0.5 ppt from a 200 µL sample). The analysis requires only a few hours.

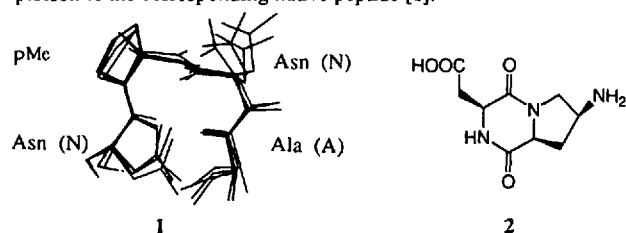
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**Stabilization of  $\beta$ -turn Conformations in the NPNA-Repeat Motif of a Synthetic Malaria Vaccine**

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Surface loops on proteins have frequently been identified as important in immune recognition and thus have become the target of peptide based vaccine design. Although anti-peptide antibodies often fail to recognize or only weakly bind the corresponding native protein, this can be explained by poor mimicry of a constrained protein epitope by a small, flexible peptide. Substitution of proline by  $\alpha$ -methylproline ( $PM^e$ ) in predicted  $\beta$ -turns has been shown to stabilize turn conformations and improve peptide antigenicity. This approach has been applied to the  $(NPNA)_n$ -motif of the circumsporozoite surface protein of the malaria parasite *P. falciparum*. The solution structures of  $(NP^MeNA)_n$  peptides were studied by CD & 2D-NMR spectroscopy. Structure calculations indicate that a type-I  $\beta$ -turn conformation within each  $NP^MeNA$ -unit **1** is significantly stabilized in comparison to the corresponding native peptide [1].



A strong reaction of a rabbit antiserum raised against  $(NP^MeNA)_3$  to *P. falciparum* sporozoites, as tested by immunofluorescence assay, indicates that we have stabilized a native-like structure.

The NPNA-motif was also used to evaluate the  $\beta$ -sheet/turn inducing propensity of a novel, dipeptidic template **2**. Conformational studies on the template-constrained peptide c(template-ANPNA) and a related disulphide-bridged octapeptide c(CANPNAAC) are compared with the results obtained for  $(NP^MeNA)_n$ .

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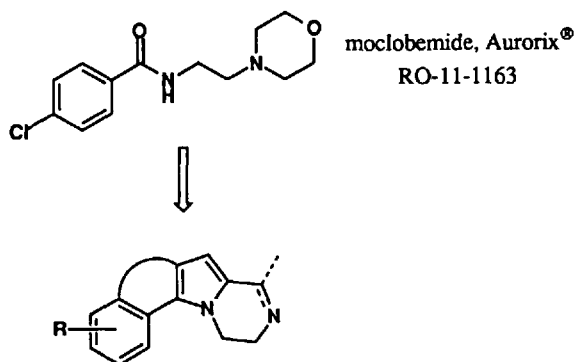
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**Design and synthesis of novel and potent monoamine oxidase inhibitors.**

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RIMA's (Reversible Inhibitors of Monoamine oxidase type A) like moclobemide (AURORIX<sup>®</sup>, Roche) are potent and safe antidepressants. Based on the structure of moclobemide and some basic assumptions about electronic and steric requirements for reversible inhibitors of monoamine oxidase, new chemical entities were synthesised which potently inhibit the target enzyme. A survey on the design, synthesis and biochemical data of these new chemical entities will be given.



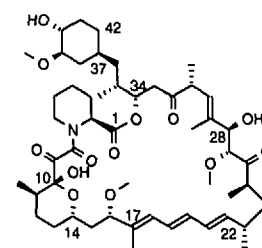
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**Probing the Role of the Triene and Cyclohexyl Moieties in the Immunosuppressive Activity of Rapamycin**

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Rapamycin has attracted a lot of interest in recent years because of its potential use in the prevention of allograft rejection or in the treatment of autoimmune diseases. Like the structurally related macrolide FK506, rapamycin binds to a family of intracellular proteins, termed FK506-binding proteins (FKBPs). Despite this similarity, the mechanisms by which these natural products exert their immunosuppressive activity are clearly



distinct, indicating that binding to FKBP is not sufficient for immunosuppressive activity. Indeed, whereas the complex FKBP-FK506 binds to and inhibits the serine-threonine phosphatase calcineurin, the complex FKBP-rapamycin binds to another target protein called FRAP.

We have attempted to determine the structural requirements for the immunosuppressive activity of rapamycin. Several modifications of the triene moiety have shown this subunit to be critical: hydrogenation or dihydroxylation of one or more of the double bonds give rise to derivatives which exhibit a significant loss of immunosuppressive activity, although their binding to FKBP is preserved.

Concerning the cyclohexylethyl side chain C35-C42, this moiety is commonly assumed to participate only in binding of rapamycin to FKBP and not to play a major role in the interaction of the FKBP-rapamycin complex with FRAP. We will report structural and conformational variations of this subunit which surprisingly do not affect binding to FKBP, but nevertheless result in reduced immunosuppressive activity.

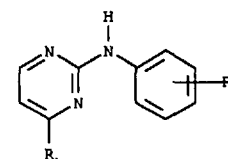
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**PHENYLAMINO-PYRIMIDINES - A NEW CLASS OF HIGHLY SELECTIVE KINASE-INHIBITORS**

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Protein kinase C, a family of at least 10 distinct subtypes, plays a crucial role in signal transduction as well as in cellular proliferation, differentiation and various regulatory mechanisms. The inhibition of PKC (one subtype?) may therefore provide a new therapy for diseases such as cancer. The functional significance of the existence of multiple closely related enzymes is not yet understood. Different extracellular signals may generate a preferential activation of certain PKC isoenzymes, this information together with the differential tissue distribution and subcellular localization of different isoenzymes suggests that different isoenzymes may perform distinct function. It was now found that some compounds belonging to the class of phenylamino-pyrimidines are selective inhibitors of PKC; some of them even show a significant isoenzyme selectivity. The structure-activity relationship of this compound class for the inhibition of PKC will be discussed, and the surprisingly high selectivity against different protein kinases will be documented. The compounds are antiproliferatively active as demonstrated in the inhibition of the human bladder carcinoma cell line T24. They also show in vivo anti-tumor activity against T24 human bladder carcinoma xenografts in nude mice.



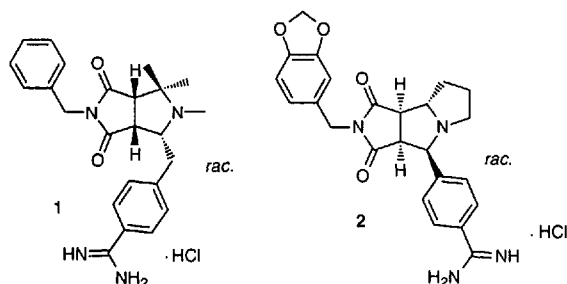
De Novo Design of Novel Nonpeptidic Thrombin Inhibitors

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Thrombin is a serine protease, which plays an important role in the blood coagulation process. A selective inhibition of thrombin has potential therapeutic application against thrombotic diseases. Amidine 1 with a rigid bicyclic core was designed *de novo*, as an inhibitor for this enzyme.



This compound was synthesized and tested for activity as a racemic mixture; it was found to have a  $K_i$  of 18  $\mu$ M. Conformationally more restricted analogs of 1 were even more effective: the most active compound being 2 with a  $K_i$  of 90 nM. The binding mode of this compound was elucidated by X-ray crystallography of the thrombin-inhibitor complex. The inhibitor was bound in the active site in the predicted fashion, and only one enantiomer of the racemic mixture was found in the crystal.

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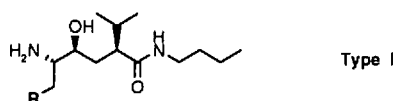
DESIGN AND SYNTHESIS OF NOVEL POTENT, NON-PEPTIDE AND ORALLY ACTIVE RENIN INHIBITORS

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The renin-angiotensin system (RAS) plays a central role in the regulation of blood pressure and in the maintenance of electrolyte balance. In an effort to identify potent small molecule renin inhibitors with good oral bioavailability and duration of action we have developed a novel structural concept for the design of such inhibitors as potential antihypertensive agents.

Our approach and the iterative optimization process with the assistance of computer-aided molecular modeling and X-ray crystallographic analyses of r-human renin-inhibitor complexes will be discussed. An intriguing common binding interaction of the new compounds with a hitherto unknown non-substrate binding site of renin has been discovered. Synthesis and SAR data for structurally distinct series of inhibitors of Type I with favourable physico-chemical properties will be presented.



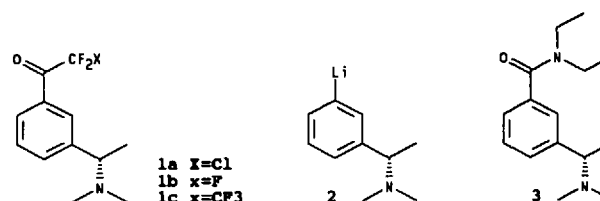
Potent compounds which induced pronounced and long-lasting blood pressure lowering effects in Na-depleted marmosets will be discussed. These findings may lead to the development of a new generation of renin inhibitors which could be useful for the treatment of hypertension.

Synthesis and Anticholinesterase Activity of Some New Fluoroalkylarylketones

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Fluoromethylketones are widely used as inhibitors of serine proteases and esterases due to their ability to form stable reaction intermediates with these enzymes. During our search for new acetylcholinesterase inhibitors as potential drugs to treat Alzheimer's disease we planned the synthesis of the fluoroketones 1a-1c.



Attempts to prepare the fluoroketones 1a-c by reacting the aryllithium intermediate 2 with the corresponding N,N-diethylfluoroacetamides gave only low yields of the desired products. Instead the carboxamide 3 resulting from an haloform reaction was formed as the main or sole product depending on the reaction conditions. The fluoroketones 1a-c were obtained in good yield by coupling the aryllithium reagent 2 with the ethyl ester of the fluoroacids in place of the N,N-diethylamides.

The *in-vitro* and *in-vivo* anticholinesterase activity of the fluoroketones 1a-c and of further analogues will be presented and discussed in view of the relative acidity of the corresponding hydrates.

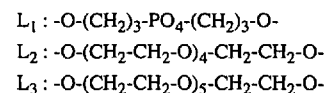
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NMR studies of DNA duplexes stabilized by different synthetic linkers

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Many physical and biochemical studies involving double-stranded DNA fragments as targets of drugs or other ligands are hampered by the low thermal stability of short (10 to 20 base pairs in length) DNA fragments. In principle, covalent linking of the two single-strands should result in fully double-stranded DNA under the experimental conditions typically employed for biophysical measurements. To further explore this possibility, three singly linked DNA nonamers, d(GTGGAAATTC)-L<sub>i</sub>-d(GAATTCCAC), were synthesized where the 3'-end of the (+)-strand is covalently connected to the 5'-end of the (-)-strand using three different linkers that have been designed by molecular modelling:



Melting temperatures were measured for the three duplexes and the non-linked nona-deoxynucleotide duplex, and the three linked duplexes were investigated in detail by nuclear magnetic resonance spectroscopy. Sequence-specific resonance assignments of the proton and phosphorous nuclei of the DNA stem were obtained following standard procedures. Distance geometry calculations with NOE-derived distance constraints were performed and the resulting structures were energy-minimized. The analysis of the nuclear magnetic resonance spectra as well as the comparison of the structures revealed that in duplex 1 the nucleotides flanking the propylene-phosphate-propylene-linker are not forming a Watson-Crick base pair, whereas in duplexes 2 and 3 the whole DNA-stem is in a B-type conformation.

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**Fluorescently labeled DNA: A new tool for the characterization of DNA and DNA:ligand complexes using time-resolved fluorescence spectroscopy.**

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The characterization of DNA structures and DNA:ligand complexes is essential for the understanding of many biological processes. It is also the basis for different research efforts for example in drug development. Various methods like absorption spectroscopy, NMR-spectroscopy, X-ray diffraction and electrophoresis techniques are widely used to study DNA and its interaction with ligands like proteins, antisense oligonucleotides, intercalators and minor groove binders. We now have prepared and incorporated into model deoxy-oligonucleotides some new fluorescent DNA base analogs which can replace the natural bases thymine, adenine and cytosine. Also, deoxy-oligonucleotides were labeled with fluorescent dyes at the 5' or 3' end. We will present some applications of these new markers based on fluorescence lifetime and time-resolved fluorescence depolarization experiments. These include determination of the DNA binding constant of peptides and protein domains, the determination of base-pairing in non-trivial DNA structures like hairpins and bulged oligonucleotides and the determination of distances in oligonucleotides using fluorescence resonance energy transfer (FRET).

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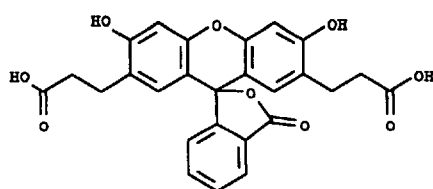
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**Hydrolysis of nicotinic acid esters catalyzed by human serum albumin : a method to monitor the activation of prodrugs of carboxylic acids.**

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A continuous spectrofluorimetric assay has been developed to measure initial rate constants of hydrolysis. The method is usable even if the substrate and/or products of the reaction are not fluorescent. This procedure is based on the production of stoichiometric quantities of protons during hydrolysis. The amount of protons produced was coupled to the relative change in fluorescence at two excitation wavelengths of the pH indicator, 2',7'-bis(carboxyethyl)-5(6)-carboxyfluorescein (BCECF), added to the reaction mixture [1].



BCECF

A series of nicotinates were studied at pH 7.4 ± 0.1 and 37°C, the rate constants of chemical and enzymatic hydrolysis being determined.

The degradation of most nicotinates was accelerated by human serum albumin (HSA) by factors up to 300.

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**Searching for the Pharmacophore. Correlation of Structure and Antimalarial Activity of Synthetic 1,2,4-Trioxanes**

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Some synthetic 1,2,4-trioxanes were examined by the *Catalyst* program with the aim of eliciting the factors responsible for antimalarial activity. Among the features offered by the program, hydrophobicity, hydrogen bonding, and polarizability were chosen since they seemed to correspond best to the properties of these neutral heterocycles. Energy-minimized molecular structures were generated for each trioxane. Next, conformational variation was promoted by the "poling" technique in order to obtain uniform coverage of the lower energy portion of conformational space. A hypothetical "pharmacophore" was then created by fitting these features and conformations to the antimalarial activities actually observed. The reliability of the hypothesis was confirmed by its ability to accurately predict the activities of a set of structurally-unrelated trioxanes. As heme is known to be the receptor in the intraerythrocytic parasite, it was also examined by the *Catalyst* program. The surface of heme was scanned for the counterparts of the features present in the active substrates which together would cause tight binding. The results showed that π-π interactions were important for docking.

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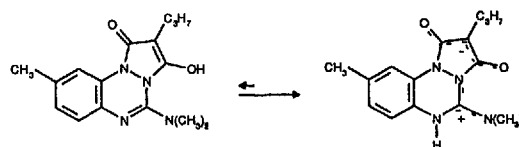
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**Physicochemical and Structural Properties of the Anti-inflammatory Drug Azapropazone**

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The non-steroidal anti-inflammatory drug (NSAID) azapropazone has been shown to display a pharmacokinetic behaviour very different from that of its structural analog phenylbutazone. This difference could be due to the zwitterionic character of azapropazone, but no evidence has been produced to date to indicate that azapropazone indeed exists as a zwitterion.



In this study we examined the physicochemical and structural properties of azapropazone. Potentiometry in various mixtures of water-methanol and water-dioxane revealed a pK<sub>a</sub> of 6.5 for the basic function. The pH-lipophilicity profiles in *n*-octanol/water and *n*-dodecane/water were measured by centrifugal partition chromatography. In both solvent systems, a bell-shaped curve with a large plateau was found. These results suggest that azapropazone is of zwitterionic nature with a weakly basic guanidino group (pK<sub>a</sub> = 6.5) and a highly acidic dicarbonylmethine group (pK<sub>a</sub> < 1).

Studies of the acid-base behaviour of azapropazone using <sup>13</sup>C-NMR, IR spectroscopy and quantum mechanical calculations (AM1) also confirmed the proposed protonation scheme and demonstrated the zwitterionic nature of azapropazone, a structural feature of high importance for explaining its pharmacokinetic behaviour.



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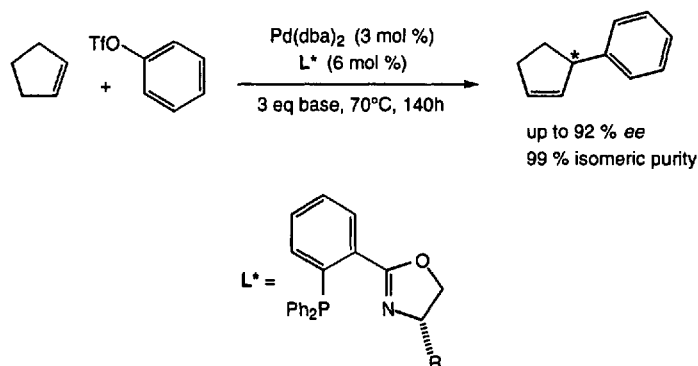
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**Chiral Phosphinodihydrooxazoles in Asymmetric Catalysis: Heck Type Reactions.**

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The palladium-catalyzed reaction of an aryl or vinyl triflate with an alkene is an attractive method for C-C bond formation, which has already been used in numerous syntheses of natural products. Recently, enantioselective Heck-type reactions have been developed and excellent enantioselectivities may be achieved in certain cases [1][2]. Herein, we report on the properties of palladium complexes of chiral phosphino-oxazolines as catalysts for enantioselective arylation and alkenylation of cyclic olefins.



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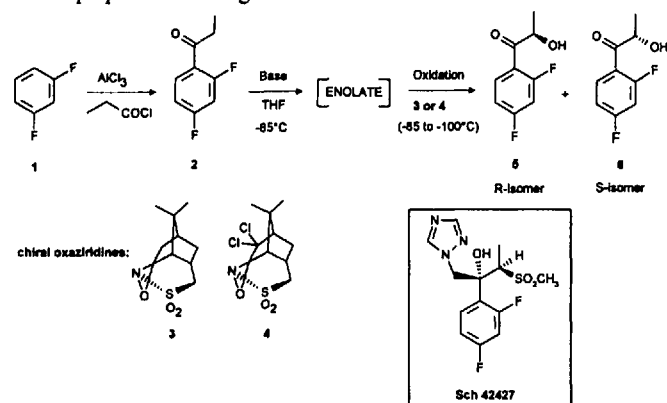
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**Large Scale Chiral  $\alpha$ -Hydroxylation of Ketones<sup>1)</sup> for a Total Chiral Synthesis of Antifungal Sch 42427**

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The influence of different bases, solvent, temperature and nature of the chiral oxaziridine on the  $\alpha$ -hydroxylation of ketone **2** was investigated with regard to enantioselectivity, chemical yield and suitability on pilot plant scale. The synthesis of the chiral oxaziridines **3** and **4** has been improved <sup>2,3)</sup> for the preparation on large scale.



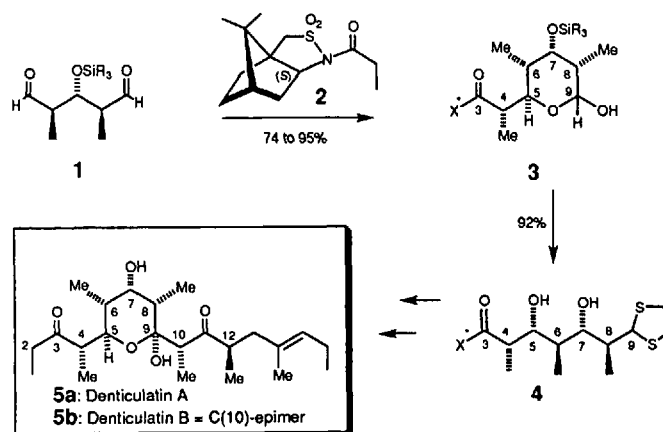
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**Asymmetric Synthesis of (-)-Denticulatin A and B via Group-Selective Aldolization of a *Meso* Dialdehyde with a Chiral *N*-Propionylsultam**W. Oppolzer, Jef De Brabander, Eric Walther and Gérald Bernardinelli  
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Aldolization of *meso* dialdehydes **1** with a boryl enolate obtained from chiral *N*-propionylsultam **2**, yields efficiently lactols **3** with simultaneous generation of five stereogenic centers. The enantiotopic group differentiations are <92:8 ( $R_3 = t\text{BuMe}_2$ ) and <95:5 ( $R_3 = i\text{Pr}_3$ ) in favor of the  $\alpha,\beta$ -syn- $\beta,\gamma$ -anti ("anti-Felkin") stereoisomer **3**. Ring opening of lactol **3** ( $R_3 = t\text{BuMe}_2$ ) and chain extension of dithioacetal **4** at C(3) and C(9) leads to the marine polypropionates denticulatin A and B (**5a** and **5b**). [1]



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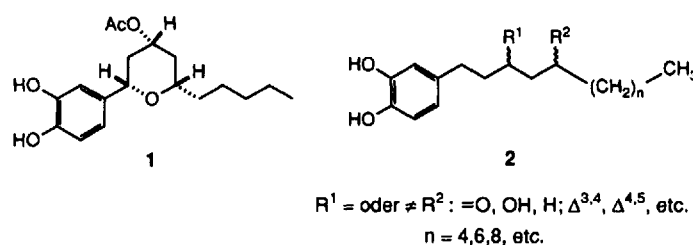
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**Isolierung, Struktur und biologische Aktivität von neuen *n*-Alkyloxycatecholen aus Labiaten**

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Die Suche nach weiteren physiologisch aktiven Inhaltsstoffen aus Labiaten nach dem Leitkriterium der antioxidativen Wirkung [1] ergab aus *Plectranthus sylvesteris* eine Reihe neuer Alkylcatechole. Hauptkomponente ist die optisch aktive Verbindung **1**, als Nebenprodukte isolierten wir aus einem komplexen Gemisch die Catechole **2**. Alle Strukturen wurden mit spektroskopischen Methoden und chemischen Transformationen hergeleitet.



Die strukturell mit den [n]-Gingerolen verwandten Verbindungen sind *in vitro* potente Antioxidantien (in der Grössenordnung von BHA und BHT) und Lipoxygenase-Inhibitoren ( $IC_{50} \leq \mu\text{M}$ ).

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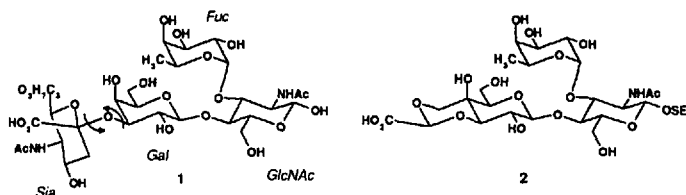
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### Synthesis of a Sialyl Lewis x Mimic with Fixed Carboxylic Acid Group -Chemical Approach towards the Elucidation of the Bioactive Conformation of Sialyl Lewis x

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The interaction of the endothelium cell surface protein E-selectin with complex carbohydrates on leucocytes is crucially involved in the leucocyte recruitment to sites of inflammation. Control of this process is of high pharmaceutical interest. The sialyl Lewis x tetrasaccharide 1 (s Le<sup>x</sup>) appears to be a decisive epitope of the natural E-selectin ligand. In solution the conformation of 1 is fairly rigid with the exception of the two torsion angles of the Sia-Gal linkage<sup>1</sup>. To develop potent inhibitors knowledge of the bioactive conformation of s Le<sup>x</sup> is essential. We designed s Le<sup>x</sup> analog 2 with fixed carboxylic acid function matching the prevailing solution conformation 1 to probe a potential resemblance of bioactive and preferred solution form.



Compared to s Le<sup>x</sup> 1 an enhancement of the binding of 2 to E-selectin could be expected due to entropy if bioactive and prevailing solution conformation were similar whereas a drop in activity would indicate differences. The synthesis of analog 2 and the biological results will be discussed.

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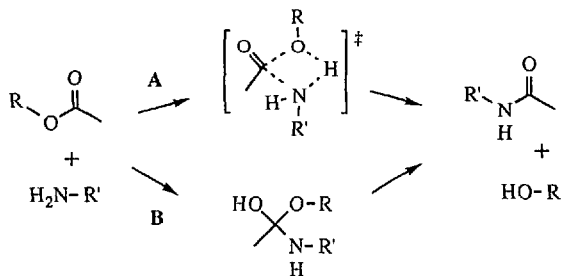
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### Catalysts for Ester Aminolysis in Apolar Solution - Can Catalysts be Designed from Scratch ?

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A series of model systems for the reaction of esters with amines has been studied with *ab initio* quantum mechanical methods. In all these model systems, two reaction pathways A and B exist:



On "direct displacement" pathway A the formation of the C-N bond and the cleavage of the C-O bond occur synchronously with proton transfer. On pathway B, addition of the amine to the C=O double bond first leads to the formation of an uncharged tetrahedral intermediate, which then cleaves the C-O bond under concomitant proton transfer in a second step. Catalysis of this reaction is possible by polyethers (electrostatic catalysis), which leaves the original reaction mechanism intact, or by pyridine derivatives (covalent catalysis) through a different reaction pathway. Experimentally determined catalytic efficiencies for various catalysts will be compared to predictions based on either quantum mechanical or force field studies.

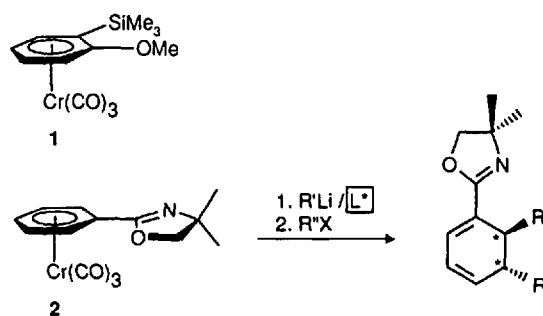
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### New Asymmetric Approaches to Alicyclic Ring Systems from Tricarbonyl Chromium Arene Complexes

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Temporary complexation of an arene to the electrophilic Cr(CO)<sub>3</sub> group opens new synthetic possibilities. Arguably the most striking transformation is the one pot conversion of the metal bound arene into stereoselectively substituted cyclohexadienes.<sup>1</sup> Several asymmetric modifications of this methodology were investigated. Strategies are: i) the use of a chiral auxiliary on the arene ring; ii) the use of a chiral ligand bound to the chromium; iii) the use of planar chiral complexes, and iv) the use of chiral nucleophiles. All four have been realized. In this communication we focus on the application of the nucleophile/electrophile double addition to the planar chiral arene complex 1 and present our preliminary results on reactions of chiral nucleophiles to the prochiral complex 2.



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### Compound Libraries from Parallel Chemistry

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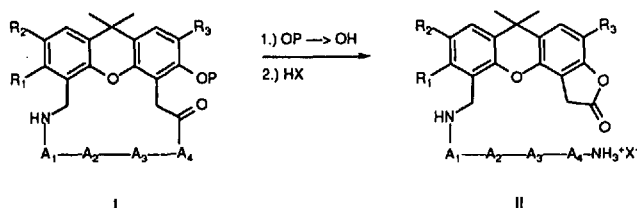
The key task in the initial phase of the discovery of biological effectors is to identify with the least possible synthetic effort a tightly binding ligand for a given biochemical target. Exploiting molecular diversity with combinatorial compound libraries has been proposed to more rapidly arrive at new prototype ligands. We will demonstrate here new approaches to the synthesis of compound libraries by parallel synthesis of single compounds. Dipolar cycloadditions or the Ugi four-component cascade reaction may provide diverse products in high yield in a one-step solution reaction. Thus, parallel solution reactions yield a large number of reaction products in a very short time. Determination of the biological activity of these products in a parallel bioassay provides rapid information about structure/activity relationships.

Mathematical optimisation methods like the genetic algorithm were developed to find optimal solutions for complex, multidimensional problems. We demonstrate here the combination of these efficient methods with parallel synthesis using an enzymatic assay as the biological response fitness function, thus constituting an evolutionary feedback loop with high optimising potential for combinatorial compound libraries. A genetic algorithm was applied to optimise the biological activity of compounds from parallel Ugi reactions. The method allowed the fast identification of an inhibitor of the serine protease thrombin with submicromolar binding affinity (K<sub>i</sub> = 0.22 μM) out of a library of 160'000 possible reaction products.

**Hochsubstituierte Xanthentemplate zur Synthese zyklischer,  $\beta$ -Turn-stabilsierter Tetrapeptidbibliotheken**

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Durch eine Folge von regioselektiven Reaktionen wurden hochsubstituierte Xanthentemplate hergestellt, welche lineare Peptide, speziell Tetrapeptide, in  $\beta$ -Turn Konformationen stabilisieren. Durch selektive Spaltung der Schutzgruppe P und nachfolgender säurekatalysierter, durch  $\gamma$ -Lakton Bildung begünstigte, selektive Amidspaltung, wird der N-Terminus des Peptides freigesetzt. Im regioselektiv geöffneten Peptid II ist es möglich, mittels Edman-Abbau die genaue Sequenz der Aminosäuren  $A_{1-4}$  zu ermitteln.

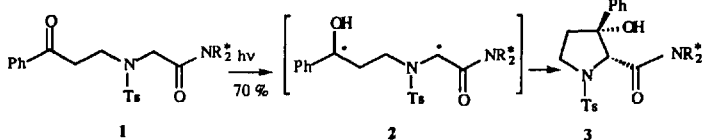


Durch die Einführung einer festphasenkompatiblen Linkergruppe (z.B.  $R_{1-3} = CH_2COOH$ ) sind diese trizyklischen Xanthentemplate ideale Bausteine für die Generierung und biologische Prüfung zyklischer,  $\beta$ -Turn-stabilsierter Peptidbibliotheken an festen Trägern und in Lösung. Die selektive Ringöffnung erlaubt zudem eine eindeutige Bestimmung der Aminosäuresequenz. Diese hochsubstituierten Xanthene können auch als polyfunktionelle Template für kombinatorische Ansätze der Wirkstoffauffindung verwendet werden.

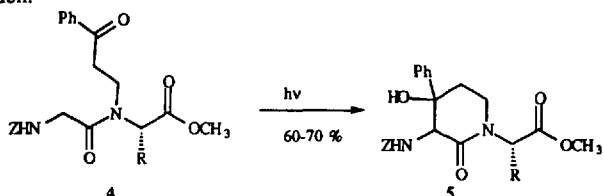
**Photochemische Synthese von cyclischen Aminosäuren**

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Die photochemische Cyclisierung des mit einem chiralen Auxiliar substituierten Glycinderivates **1** bietet einen neuen Zugang zu Prolinderivaten **3**, welche  $\beta$ -Schleifen in Peptiden hervorrufen können<sup>[1]</sup>. Als Zwischenstufe tritt bei dieser Reaktion das Biradikal **2** auf, das stereoselektiv cyclisiert.



Verwendete man natürliche Aminosäurereste anstelle der Tosylgruppe und des chiralen Auxiliars, konnte die Photocyclisierung direkt im Peptid durchgeführt werden.



So cyclisierte im Dipeptid **4** das Glycinderivat regio- und stereoselektiv in 60-70% Ausbeute zum Sechsring **5**, in dem die OH und NHZ-Substituenten *cis* angeordnet sind (NMR-Spektroskopie). Die absolute Konfiguration soll durch Kristallstrukturanalyse aufgeklärt werden.

Diese neue Synthesemethode liefert einen Zugang zu modifizierten Oligopeptiden, die als Mimikta für biologisch aktive Peptide Anwendung finden könnten<sup>[2]</sup>.

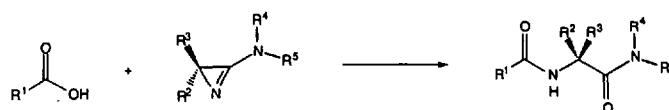
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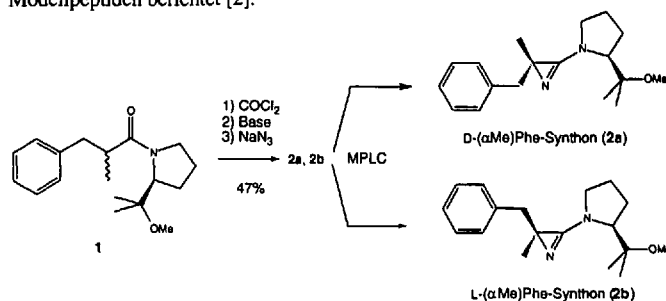
**Optisch aktive 3-Amino-2H-azirine als Bausteine für  $\alpha,\alpha$ -disubstituierte  $\alpha$ -Aminosäuren in der Peptidsynthese**

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Für die Einführung von  $\alpha,\alpha$ -disubstituierten  $\alpha$ -Aminosäuren in der Peptidsynthese stellen 3-Amino-2H-azirine ideale Bausteine dar [1]. Die Umsetzung von 3-Amino-2H-azirinen mit einer Peptidsäure ergibt direkt das um eine Einheit verlängerte Peptid.



Bei verschiedenen Substituenten  $R^2, R^3$  und optisch aktivem  $R^1$  entstehen bei der Umsetzung mit racemischen 3-Amino-2H-azirinen Epimerengemische. Es wird nun über die Synthese von optisch aktiven 3-Amino-2H-azirinen als Diastereoisomerengemische (chirale  $R^4R^5N$ -Gruppe), die Trennung der beiden Bausteine und deren getrennte Anwendung in der Synthese von Modellpeptiden berichtet [2].



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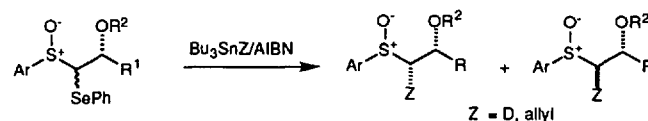
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**Control of the Diastereoselectivity of the Allylation and Deuteration of 2-Hydroxyalkyl Aryl Sulfoxides**

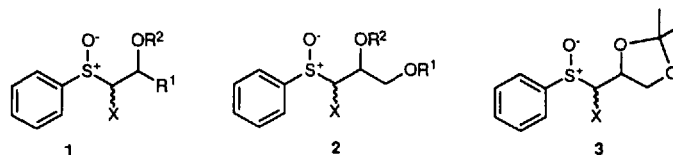
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2-Hydroxyalkyl sulfoxides are easily available in diastereo- and enantiopure form. We have developed a radical procedure for the deuteration and allylation at the C(1) center in order to prepare both diastereoisomeric products.<sup>1-3</sup> We will discuss the influence of the two stereogenic centers on the diastereoselection.



Simple  $\beta$ -hydroxysulfoxides such as **1** as well as glyceraldehyde derivatives such as **2** and **3** were investigated. Moderate to very high selectivities have been obtained. The sense of the diastereoselectivity can be chosen by using appropriate hydroxy protective groups.



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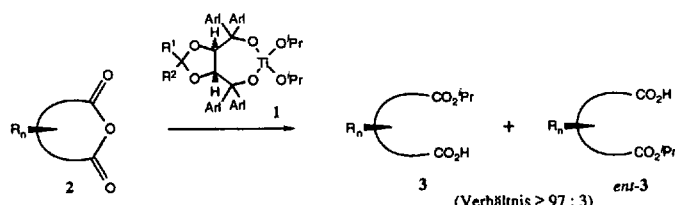
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### Hoch Enantioselektive Öffnung cyclischer meso-Anhydride zu Halbestern mit Ti-TADDOLaten

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Die Lewis-Säure-vermittelte Übertragung eines Alkoxid-Liganden aus der chiralen Ligandensphäre des Ti-TADDOLates **1** ermöglicht die hochenantioselektive Öffnung von cyclischen  $C_2$ -symmetrischen Anhydriden **2** zu den entsprechenden Halbestern **3** mit Enantiomerenverhältnissen bis 99 : 1. Erste Vorversuche haben gezeigt, daß auch mit  $Ti(OiPr)_4$  in Gegenwart einer unterstöchiometrischen Menge an **1** eine enantioselektive Anhydridöffnung möglich ist. Die Fähigkeit zum enantioselektiven Ligandentransfer läßt **1** als eine metallorganische Alternative zu hydrolytischen Enzymen erscheinen, da wie bei diesen allgemein die Differenzierung enantiotoper funktioneller Gruppen in meso-Verbindungen und die Racematspaltung chiraler Substrate möglich sein sollte.

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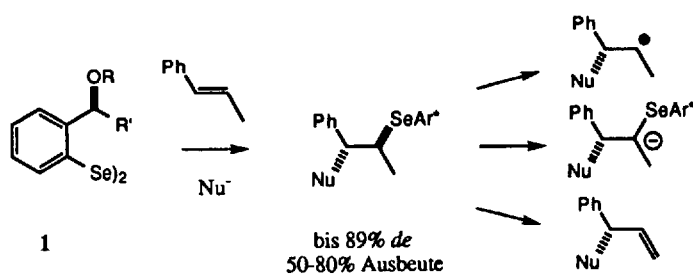
### Stereoselektive Selenylierungen aromatischer Alkene

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Die Entwicklung neuer Methoden zur stereoselektiven Funktionalisierung von nicht aktivierten C=C-Doppelbindungen sind herausfordernde Probleme in der organischen Synthesechemie. Chirale Selenverbindungen stellen interessante Reagenzien für solche Umsetzungen dar.

Es werden Diselenide des Typs **1** vorgestellt, die aus einfachen Startmaterialien in wenigen Syntheseschritten leicht zugänglich sind. Diese Selenverbindungen **1** können in guten Ausbeuten an Alkene addiert werden, bei aromatischen Alkenen wurden Diastereoselektivitäten von bis zu 89% *de* gefunden.



Die so erhaltenen Additionsverbindungen stellen attraktive Moleküle für weitere Umsetzungen dar. Durch die Verwendung als Radikalvorläufer steht die ganze Palette radikalischer Reaktionen zur Verfügung. Deprotonierung der Selenide in  $\alpha$ -Position zum Selen bietet ebenso wie die oxidative Eliminierung Möglichkeiten zu weiteren Funktionalisierungen.

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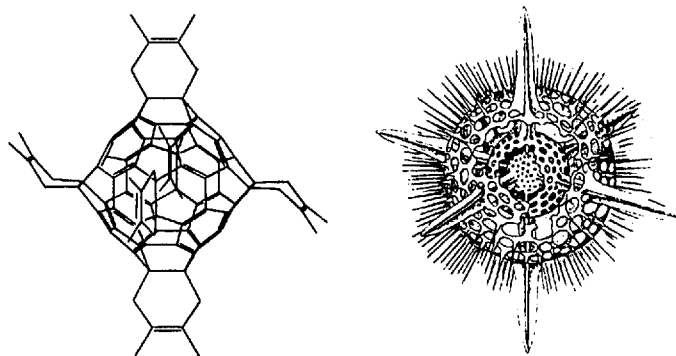
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### [4+2]- Cycloaddition - Ein Zugang zu hochsymmetrischen Sechsfachadditionsprodukten des Fullerenens $C_{60}$

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[4+2]- Cycloadditionen von "gewöhnlichen" Dienen an das Buckminsterfulleren  $C_{60}$  führen unter milden Bedingungen und in guten Ausbeuten zu stabilen Monoadditionsprodukten. Die Cycloaddition von Dienen erweist sich als einfacher Zugang zu hochsymmetrischen Mehrfachaddukten mit ungewöhnlichen Symmetrieeigenschaften. Ein Vorbild für die Gerüststruktur solcher Fulleren-Additionsverbindungen sind die Skelette der Radiolarien.



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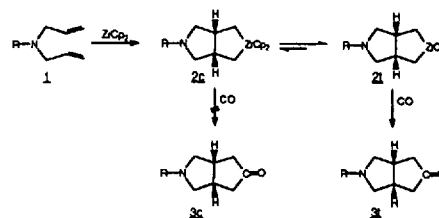
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### Trans-Bicyclo[3.3.0]octane

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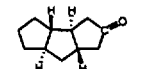
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Im Gegensatz zu trans-Hydrindanen und cis-Bicyclo[3.3.0]octanen sind trans-Bicyclo[3.3.0]octane nur nach wenigen Verfahren zugänglich. Typische Methoden bestehen in der Zyklisierung von 1,2-trans-disubstituierten Cyclopentanen oder in der Reaktion auf der endo-Seite der Brückenkopfdoppelbindung von Bicyclo[3.3.0]octenen<sup>[1]</sup>. Negishi hat vor einiger Zeit ein Verfahren beschrieben, durch das 1,6-Heptadiene mittels  $Cp_2Zr$ -induzierter Zyklisierung mit anschließender Carbonylierung direkt zu trans-Bicyclo[3.3.0]octan-3-on umgesetzt werden können<sup>[2]</sup>.



Unsere Untersuchung dieser bemerkenswerten Stereoselektivität hat ergeben, dass diese Zyklisierung in der raschen Bildung eines cis-3-Zirconabicyclo[3.3.0]octans **2c** besteht, das zu dem thermodynamisch stabileren trans Isomeren **2t** reagiert. Durch die Carbonylierung mit CO wird das thermodynamisch weniger stabile trans-Bicyclo[3.3.0]octan-3-on **3t** gebildet.

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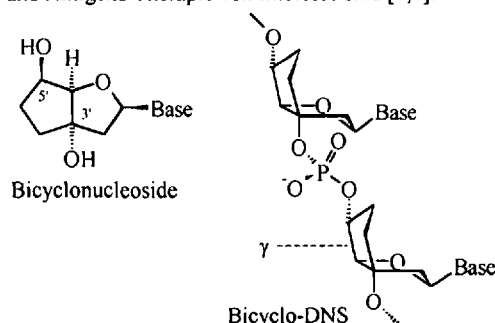
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**Bicyclo-DNS: ein Nucleinsäure-Analogon mit aussergewöhnlichen Paarungseigenschaften**

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Bicyclo-DNS ist ein konformativ fixiertes Nucleinsäure-Analogon, dessen strukturelle und biophysikalische Eigenschaften im Zusammenhang mit der Antisense und Antigene Therapie von Interesse sind [1,2].



Untersuchungen zur Basenpaarung dieses DNS-Analogons führten zum Resultat, dass adenin- und thyminhaltige Sequenzen nur dann stabile Duplexe bilden, wenn diese nicht nach dem Watson-Crick sondern nach dem alternativen Hoogsteen Basenpaarungsmuster erfolgen können. In guanin- und cytidinhaltigen Sequenzen ist die Watson-Crick Duplexbildung bei neutralem pH dominant. Bei pH-Werten unter 7 bilden sich äusserst stabile Triplexen.

Die Unterschiede der Basenpaarungspräferenzen vergleichsweise zu natürlicher DNS sind einzig die Folge der Änderung des Torsionswinkels  $\gamma$  in der repetitiven Rückgrateinheit.

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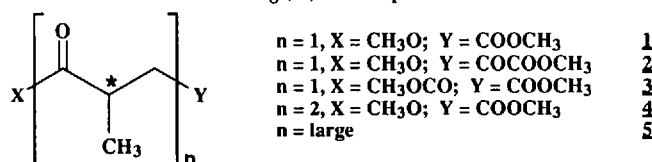
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**Enantioselective Co-Oligomerisation and Copolymerisation of Propene with Carbon Monoxide**

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(L-L)PdX<sub>2</sub> complexes (L-L = diphosphine ligand, X = weakly or non-coordinating anion) catalyse the dicarbonylation reaction of propene to low molecular weight diesters or to high molecular weight polyketones depending on the amount of the oxidant e.g., 1,4-benzoquinone.



When basic ligands are used (e.g., 1,3-propanediylbis(diethylphosphine)) poly(1-oxo-2-methyltrimethylene) **5** forms, which shows a prevalently isotactic structure (~80% *l*-diads). The steric control is most probably chain end determined. The use of enantiomerically pure atropisomeric ligands of the type [6,6'-dimethylbiphenyl-2,2'-diyl]- and [6,6'-dimethoxybiphenyl-2,2'-diyl]-bis[dialkylphosphine] allows us to control the stereochemistry of the copolymerisation process. The produced copolymers are regioregular and show different degrees of stereoregularity, namely from almost complete atacticity (~60% *l*-diads) to nearly complete tacticity (>96% *l*-diads). Regioirregular copolymers are formed using aromatic diphosphine ligands. The same catalytic systems can be used to produce, even if with relatively low selectivity, dimethyl 2-methylsuccinate **1**. Enantioselectivity is generally low (<30% ee) unless the more basic atropisomeric ligands are used. The enantioselectivity is increased in the formation of the *l*-diastereomer (up to 98% ee) of the dimer **4**. The *u*-diastereomer **4** is always formed with lower chemo- and enantioselectivity. A change in the regioselectivity of the insertion process of the olefin affording oxopimelates isomers of **4** always induces a preferential alternation of the enantioface inserted i.e., for these isomers the *u*-diastereomer preferentially forms. Under increased carbon monoxide pressure dimethyl 2-oxo-4-methylglutarate **2** and dimethyl 2-oxo-3-methylglutarate **3** can be obtained with fair enantioselectivity (up to 65% ee).

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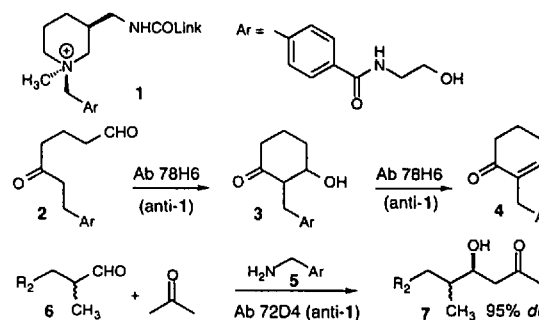
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**Katalyse von Aldolreaktionen durch monoclonale Antikörper**

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Die Technologie der monoclonalen Antikörper ermöglicht einen schnellen und vielfältigen Einsatz von neuen Protein-Katalysatoren. Wir berichten hier von zwei Systemen, mit welchen wir unabhängig voneinander zwei verschiedene Arten von Aldolreaktionen durch den Einsatz von monoclonalen Antikörpern, welche gegen das Hapten **1** gerichtet sind, katalysieren können.



Bei der intramolekularen Aldolreaktion des Keto-Aldehyds **2** erhält man das Aldol-Produkt **3** und nachfolgend Enon **4**. Die Sequenz beinhaltet vier individuelle Reaktionsschritte von denen drei durch allgemeine Basenkatalyse mit dem Antikörper 78H6 beschleunigt werden.

Der Antikörper 72D4 katalysiert bei Zugabe des primären Amins **5** als Cofaktor die Aldoladdition von Aceton an die Aldehyde **6**. Die Produkte **7** werden mit Selektivitäten von bis zu 95% *de* gebildet.

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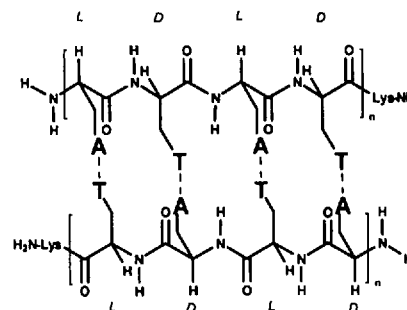
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**Lineare Paarungskomplexe einer Alanyl- oder Homoalanyl-PNA**

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In der  $\beta$ -Position der Seitenkette mit Nucleinsäurebasen substituierte Alanylpeptide sind nach Modellvorstellungen repetitiv, sobald der Chiralitätssinn der Aminosäureeinheiten alterniert und der Peptidstrang in  $\beta$ -Faltblatt Konformation vorliegt. Es werden lineare Paarungskomplexe erwartet, die auf den klassischen Watson-Crick Basenpaaren A-T und G-C beruhen. Da lineare Stränge keine topologische Einschränkung hinsichtlich Basenpaargröße bedeuten, kann neben Purin-Pyrimidin- auch mit Purin-Purin- sowie Pyrimidin-Pyrimidin-Paarungen gerechnet werden.



Anhand von Modifikationen des Peptidrückgrats, z.B. Verlängerung der Seitenkette um eine Methylengruppe zu Homoalanyl-Peptiden, lassen sich Rückgrat-Paarungsbeziehungen untersuchen. Selektivität für Watson-Crick- oder Hoogsteen-Paarungen in Abhängigkeit vom Peptidrückgrat wird ebenso diskutiert, wie Strangorientierung, homo-/heterochirale Basenpaarung und unnatürliche Basenpaarungen.

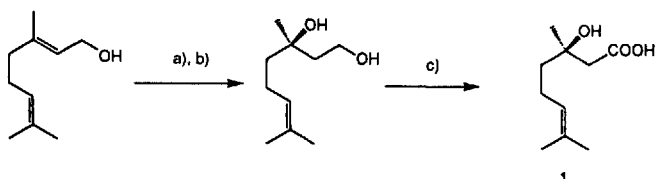
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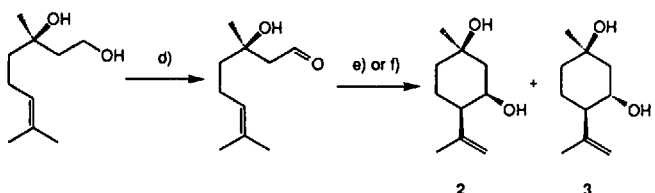
**A Stereoselective Preparation of a new Monoterpene Acid isolated from CERATOCYSTIS FIMBRIATA PLATANI and other Derivatives**

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In order to confirm the stereochemistry of the natural monoterpene **1** we prepared with a stereoselective method (R)-3-hydroxy citronellal **1** and its isomer on 3 steps starting from geraniol.



From 3-hydroxy citronellal (intermediate) we prepared as well with high stereoselectivity a new neoisopulegol **2** isopulegol **3** and derivatives which have organoleptic properties. The synthesis of other analogues will be discussed.



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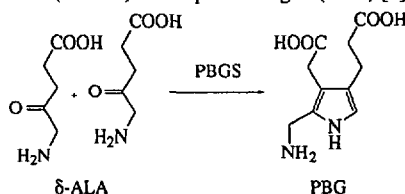
**Produktion, Isolation und Versuche zur Aufklärung des Mechanismus der Porphobilinogen Synthase aus Escherichia Coli**

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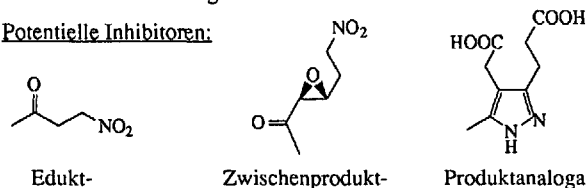
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Die Porphobilinogen Synthase (PBGS) ist eines der zentralen Enzyme der Biosynthese der Tetrapyrrole und katalysiert die Kondensation zweier  $\delta$ -Aminolävulinätsäuren ( $\delta$ -ALA) zu Porphobilinogen (PBG) [1].



Von D. Shemin und P. M. Jordan wurden verschiedene Mechanismen für diesen biosynthetischen Schritt vorgeschlagen [2, 3], die allerdings noch nicht geklärt sind. Es wurden verschiedene Substrat-, Zwischenprodukt- und Produktanaloga synthetisiert, die sich als Inhibitoren erweisen könnten. Nach erfolgter Produktion und Reinigung der PBGS aus *Escherichia Coli* (Strain CR 261) [4] werden zur Aufklärung des Mechanismus Inhibitionsstudien durchgeführt.

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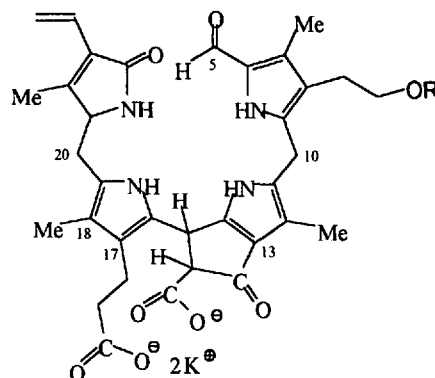
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**Struktur von nichtfluoreszierenden Chlorophyllkataboliten aus Raps**

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Wir berichten hier über die Konstitutionsaufklärung einer Reihe von farblosen, nichtfluoreszierenden Chlorophyllkataboliten (NCC's), die aus im natürlichen licht-dunkel Rhythmus gealterten Keimblättern von Raps (*Brassica Napus L.*) isoliert werden konnten. Diese Chlorophyll-Abbauprodukte wurden in der Arbeitsgruppe von Ph. Matile in Zürich entdeckt [1]; die Konstitution eines dieser Kataboliten, Bn-NCC-1, konnte bereits geklärt werden [2].



- 1 R = (KOO)CH<sub>2</sub>CO      K-Salz von Bn-NCC-1  
 2 R = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>O<sub>5</sub>          K-Salz von Bn-NCC-2  
 3 R = H                    K-Salz von Bn-NCC-3

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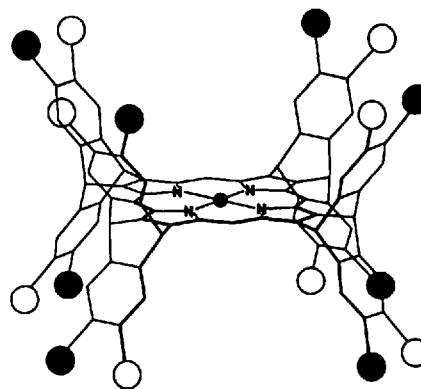
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**Chiral Biconcave Porphyrins**

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The synthesis of D<sub>4</sub>-symmetric "chiral biconcave porphyrins" is reported, a new class of "sterically protected porphyrins". The chiral biconcave porphyrins are produced from a novel type of a chiral pyrrole, synthesized via a highly diastereoselective Diels-Alder reaction. The porphyrin was calculated to be of an enantiomeric purity of about 10<sup>3</sup>:1.

"Chiral biconcave porphyrins" can be used as (diamagnetic or paramagnetic) chiral shift reagents, to discriminate stereoisomeric (enantiomeric) substrates in <sup>1</sup>H-NMR-spectra. A series of stereoisomeric substrates (including carboxylic acids, esters, nitriles, alcohols and amines) were analyzed. Sharp and well resolved spectra were obtained, as ligand exchange is fast on the NMR time scale. For all the enantiomerically nonuniform samples analyzed, characteristically separated signals of corresponding protons were observed. Such spectra allow the determination of the enantiomeric purity of the samples with a practical limit of ee's of ca. 99.9%.

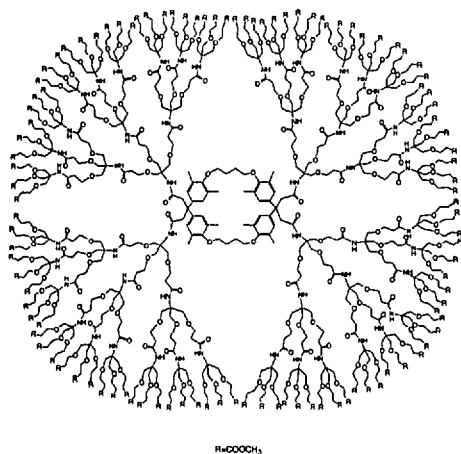


**Synthese, Charakterisierung und Untersuchung einer neuen Familie von Molekülen: Dendrophanen**

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Eine erste Familie von "Dendrophanen", dendritisch funktionalisierten Cyclophanen, die für die Komplexierung von aromatischen Gästen konzipiert sind, wurde bis zur 3. Generation (Molmasse ca. 19000) synthetisiert und charakterisiert. Erste Ergebnisse der Komplexierung substituierter Naphthaline in Wasser werden vorgestellt.

R=COOCH<sub>3</sub>

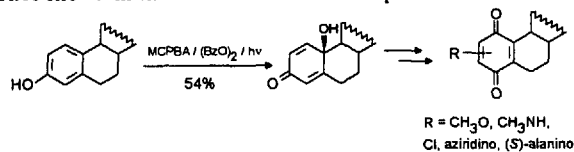
Als Fernziel wird die Synthese von Enzym-Analoga sowie von "Slow drug delivery"-Systemen auf nichtpeptidischer Basis angestrebt.

**MCPBA Oxidation of Phenols: An Application to the Synthesis of Steroidal Quinones**

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Natural and synthetic products with the quinone moiety in their molecule are of considerable interest because of their pronounced bactericidal and antitumor activities. We focused our research towards the synthesis and biological evaluation of A-ring substituted steroidal quinones, starting from estrone. Our preliminary results on the synthesis, antibacterial and cytotoxicity tests of the A-ring substituted quinones shown in the scheme below will be presented.

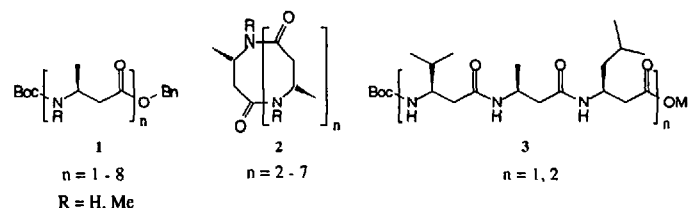


A new oxidation system for phenol-to-quinol transformation consisting of MCPBA and (BzO)<sub>2</sub> in the presence of light was applied to the short synthesis of the desired quinones. The oxidation of other phenols with MCPBA / (BzO)<sub>2</sub> / hv system will also be presented. Unexpectedly, only a single regioisomer of the final products, substituted quinones, could be isolated upon addition-oxidation reaction of parent quinone (R = H). The products were found to be C(2) substituted quinones, which were tested against *E. coli* and *S. aureus*, and in preliminary tests, 2,5(10)-estradiene-1,4,17-trione (R = H) exhibited the largest antibacterial activity. At the lowest concentration applied (0.001 mg/disk) this compound exhibited significant bactericidal activity to both strains. Brine shrimp lethality test was used as indicator of cytotoxicity. In this assay, the most active derivative was 2-methoxy-17β-acetoxy-2,5(10)-estradiene-1,4-dione having LC<sub>50</sub> 0.39 ppm.

**The Synthesis of Oligopeptides Consisting of β-Amino Acids**

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Poly(hydroxyalkanoates) are found in both prokaryotic and eukaryotic organisms [1]. Energy storage is an important function of poly[(R)-3-hydroxybutyrate] [P(3-HB)] in bacteria. Chiral building blocks can be obtained by chemical degradation of P(3-HB). Cyclic oligomers have been shown to complex a variety of metal ions, and their ion-transport properties have been studied [1]. Here, we report on the synthesis of linear (1) and cyclic (2) amide analogs of oligo(3-HB) which will provide a comparison of the structures and properties. The *Arndt-Eistert* reaction can be used to produce a β-amino acid moiety, with concomitant peptide formation [2]. Sequential *Arndt-Eistert* peptide coupling was used in the synthesis of compound 3. The conformations of oligo-3-amino acid amides 1, 2 and 3 have been studied by X-ray diffraction and by CD- and NMR spectroscopy.

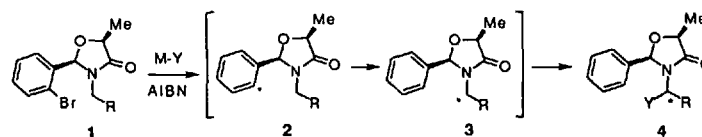
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**Protecting/Radical Translocating (PRT) Chiral Auxiliaries: A New Concept**

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The use of protecting/radical translocating (PRT) groups<sup>1</sup> represents an efficient method for the functionalization at C(1) of alcohols and amines. We present here a further development of this strategy where the PRT group plays also the role of a N-centered chiral auxiliary.<sup>2</sup> Oxazolidinones of type 1 are easily prepared from lactic acid and 2-bromobenzaldehyde. Tin mediated radical chain reactions (M-Y = Bu<sub>3</sub>Sn and Bu<sub>3</sub>Sn(allyl)) gave products of type 4 arising from the expected radical translocation (2→3). Application of this strategy for the synthesis of enantiopure amines and amino acids is in progress.



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## One-step Oxidation of L-Sorbose to 2-Keto-L-gulonic Acid over Supported Pt Catalysts Modified with Tertiary Amines

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The platinum metal catalyzed oxidation of carbohydrates to the corresponding carboxylic and keto-carboxylic acids is an attractive, environmentally friendly process. High selectivities can be obtained under mild conditions (1 bar, < 60 °C) in neutral or slightly alkaline aqueous medium and with molecular oxygen as oxidant. A great challenge is the application of this method to the direct oxidation of L-sorbose to 2-keto-L-gulonic acid (2-KLG), a substitution for three subsequent steps in the synthesis of vitamin C [1]. Despite the considerable effort which has been made in the past decades, the problems including the rapid deactivation of Pt- and Pd-based mono- and bimetallic catalysts and the low selectivity to the oxidation of the C1 hydroxyl group could not be solved [2].

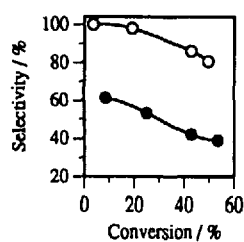


Fig. 1: Selectivity in the oxidation of L-sorbose to 2-KLG over (●) Pt/C and (○) HMTA-modified Pt/C in water (50 °C, pH = 7.3).

We have discovered recently that both the rate and the selectivity of the reaction can be substantially improved by modification of supported Pt with various tertiary amines. Using trialkylamines of high pK value, the average reaction rate could be increased by 150 %. It seems that even in very low molar ratio (amine : Pt<sub>s</sub> = 0.1) the amines can efficiently catalyze the oxidation of L-sorbose, without promoting the

base-catalyzed side reactions in the bulk of the liquid. The promotion of a 5 wt% Pt/C catalyst with hexymethylenetetramine (HMTA) afforded the highest selectivity to 2-KLG, as shown in Fig.1.

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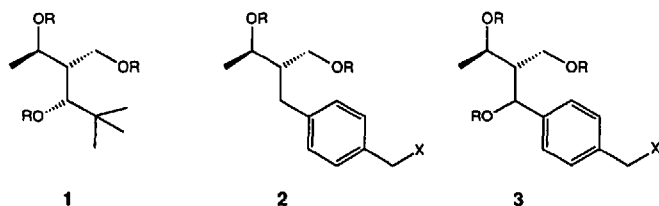
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## Chirale Dendrimere mit zwei- und dreifach verzweigenden chiralen und achiralen Bausteinen

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In unserer Gruppe wurden chirale Dendrimere sowohl mit chiralem Kern und achiralen Ästen [1], als auch mit chiralen Bausteinen im Kern und an den Verzweigungen synthetisiert. Dazu wurde als Kern meistens das Triol 1 (oder verlängerte Derivate desselben) verwendet, und zur Herstellung der chiralen Äste wurden die Diole 2 oder die Triole 3 eingesetzt. Es konnten so chirale Dendrimere erster bis dritter Generation mit bis zu 45 stereogenen Zentren und einem Molekulargewicht von 4900 Da synthetisiert werden. Das grösste "voll chirale" Dendrimer ist eines von  $3.52 \times 10^{13}$  möglichen Stereoisomeren. Es wurden Effekte in CD- und NMR-Spektren sowie ein interessanter Fall von Diastereoselektivität bei der Kupplung von Astbromiden mit einem Kern-triol beobachtet.

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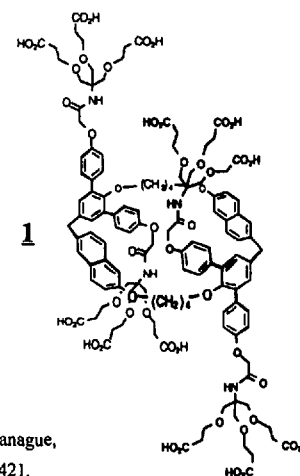
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## Dendrophanes as Steroid Receptors

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As we have shown lately, cyclophanes are well suited for steroid complexation in aqueous solutions [1]. We now present a novel class of macrocyclic, watersoluble steroid receptors like **1** named *dendrophanes*. They consist of a hydrophobic, rigid cavity buried in a dendritic shell of variable size with peripheral functional groups. The cavity's x-ray structure, synthesis and dendritic functionalization are discussed. Initial complexation studies with steroids were undertaken to investigate potential *slow drug delivery* applications.

## First Generation Dendrophane

Formula: C<sub>126</sub>H<sub>148</sub>N<sub>4</sub>O<sub>48</sub>Molecular Weight: 2486 g mol<sup>-1</sup>

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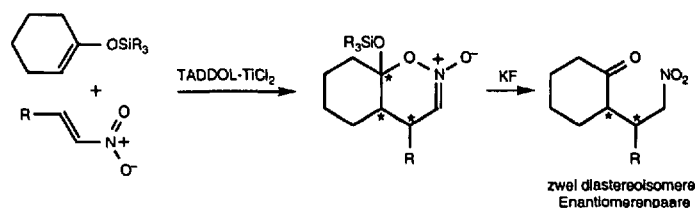
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## Ti-TADDOLat vermittelte Hetero-Diels-Alder-Reaktionen

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In unserer Gruppe wurden 1986 cyclische Nitroverbindungen durch Addition von 1-Trimethylsilyloxycyclohexen an Nitrostyrol in Anwesenheit von drei Äquivalenten (*i*-PrO)<sub>2</sub>TiCl<sub>2</sub> entwickelt [1]. Da die Hetero-Diels-Alder-Produkte als Ausgangsmaterialien für interessante Folgereaktionen wie die Henry-Reaktion oder 1,3-dipolare Cycloadditionen verwendet werden können, ist eine enantioselective Synthese mit einem chiralen Ti-TADDOLat ausgearbeitet worden.

Durch Öffnen der Hetero-Diels-Alder-Addukte mit KF gelangt man leicht zu den entsprechenden Michael-Addukten. Auf dieser Stufe gelingt die Bestimmung der Stereoselektivität mittels HPLC durch Trennung der zwei diastereoisomeren Enantiomerenpaare auf einer chiralen Phase.

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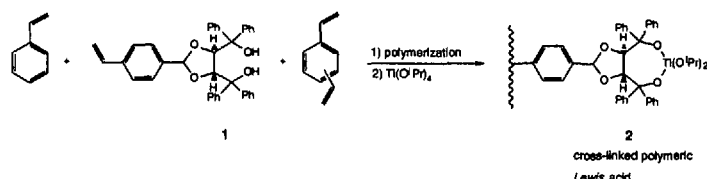
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## Synthese und Anwendung von Polymer-gebundenem TADDOL

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Durch Copolymerisation von **1** mit Styrol und Divinylbenzol erhält man polymer-gebundenes TADDOL, welches sich leicht in das entsprechende Ti-TADDOLat **2** überführen lässt. Dieses Ti-TADDOLat **2** katalysiert die Diethylzink-Addition an Aldehyde mit vergleichbarer Enantioselektivität (er 98 : 2) wie das monomere Ti-TADDOLat [1]. Das Ti-TADDOLat **2** lässt sich vom Reaktionsgemisch einfach abtrennen und kann erneut eingesetzt werden (bis zu vier Durchgänge).

Polymer-gebundene Ti-TADDOLate wurden auch erfolgreich für die enantioselektive Alkyl-Titan-Addition an Aldehyde, für Cycloadditionen und für die Öffnung von cyclischen *meso*-Anhydriden eingesetzt.

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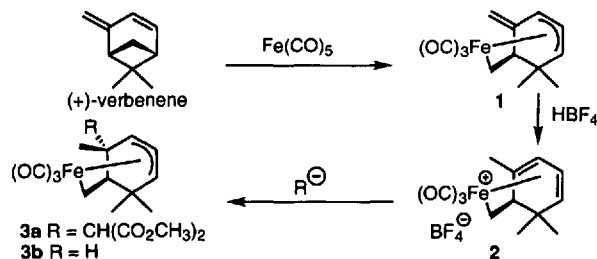
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## Stereospecific ring opening and functionalisation of verbenene

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Insertion of iron carbonyl into the four-membered ring of  $\alpha$ -pinene leads to a  $\sigma$ -alkyl,  $\pi$ -allyl complex [1]. Other hydrocarbons exhibiting a vinylcyclobutane moiety like *cis*- and *trans*- $\delta$ -pinene, apopinene and verbenene react in the same way. Due to its exomethylene group the complex **1** derived from verbenene promises to be a versatile synthon for the construction of higher terpenes.



Protonation of **1** with HBF<sub>4</sub> leads to the cationic complex **2**. This compound represents the first example of a pentadienyl-Fe(CO)<sub>3</sub>-like cation possessing a non contiguous  $\pi$ -ligand. Whereas pentadienyl complexes preferentially add nucleophiles at one of the terminal carbon atoms [2], addition at one of the inner carbon atoms occurs in our case. Complex **3b** was obtained independently from the reaction of *trans*- $\delta$ -pinene with Fe(CO)<sub>5</sub>.

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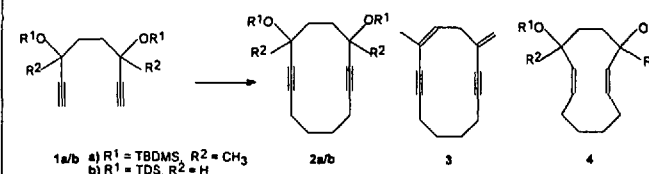
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## SYNTHESE VON UNGESÄTTIGTEN CYCLODODECANEN

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Symmetrisch angeordnete Funktionalitäten in mittleren Ringen spielen für die Ligandeneigenschaften und bei transannularen Reaktionen eine ausgeprägte Rolle. Diesbezügliche retrosynthetische Überlegungen haben uns veranlasst, effiziente Verfahren zu entwickeln, mit denen aus 2C<sub>2</sub>- und 2C<sub>4</sub>-Bausteinen in wenigen Schritten funktionalisierte Cyclododecane hergestellt werden können [1]. Als zentrale Reaktion für den Ringschluss war die gleichzeitige Knüpfung von zwei Bindungen vorgesehen, die in den von uns untersuchten Fällen mit erheblich besseren Ausbeuten als bei den bisher bekannten Beispielen gelingt.



So konnte das aus Hexan-2,5-dion zugängliche Dialkin-diol **1** mit 1,4-Dibrombutan zu Cyclododecadiin-diol **2** mit einer Ausbeute von 40% umgesetzt werden; die Diastereomeren werden dabei im Verhältnis von 1:1 gebildet. Bei der Behandlung von **2** mit Ac<sub>2</sub>O und FeCl<sub>3</sub> entsteht **3**, während bei der Hydrierung mit Lindlar-Katalysator das silylierte Dien-diol **4** erhalten wird. Weitere Cyclisierungen und Umsetzungen der erhaltenen Cyclododecane werden vorgestellt.

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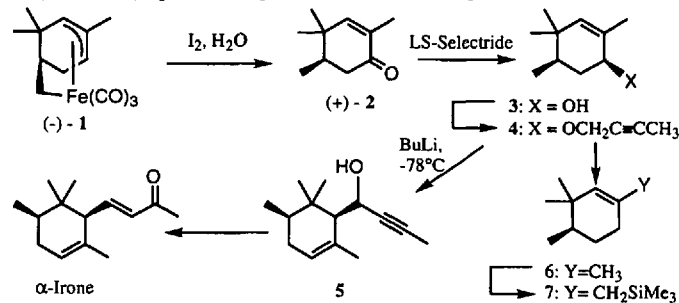
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Short enantioselective synthesis of  $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -irone

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The iron carbonyl induced ring opening of pinene<sup>1</sup> permits new and short syntheses of optically pure terpenes and terpenoids, because the optical purity of commercial (-)- $\beta$ -pinene can be easily enhanced to 98% e.e. by crystallization with silver triflate.<sup>2</sup> Using this strategy, a new approach to  $\alpha$ - and  $\gamma$ -irone, high priced components of aromas and perfumes, was realized.



Key intermediate (+)-**2** is obtained by oxidation of complex (-)-**1** with iodine and water. LS-Selectride reduction of (+)-**2** leads exclusively to *cis*-**3**. Wittig rearrangement of the butinol ether **4**, obtained by coupling of **3** with 1-bromo-2-butyne,<sup>3</sup> stereospecifically gives alcohol **5**. Different catalysts had to be tested for the isomerization of **5** to *cis*- $\alpha$ -irone, because elimination to the corresponding conjugated dienyne occurred in many cases. The synthesis of  $\gamma$ -irone was achieved via deoxygenation of **2** and silylation of the resulting hydrocarbon **6**, followed by a known chain extension procedure.<sup>4</sup>

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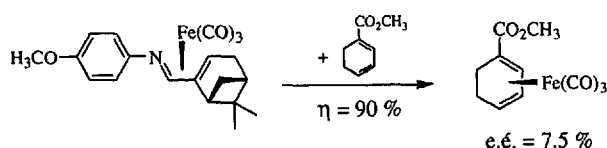
**Induction de chiralité par échange de ligand des complexes de fer carbonyle des énimines chirales.**

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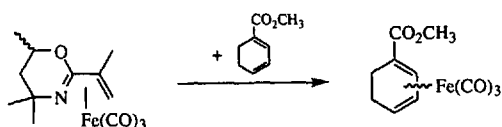
Des échanges de ligands de complexes de fer tricarbonyle entre des énimines achirales vers des ligands diéniques ont été reportés [1]. D'autre part, des études comparables concernant des transferts asymétriques de complexes de fer carbonyle d'étones conjuguées chirales ont montré des résultats prometteurs [2].

Dès lors, différents complexes de fer carbonyle de systèmes d'énimines chirales ont été synthétisés et mis à l'épreuve pour des transferts énantiosélectifs, selon l'exemple suivant:



Les complexes des énimines offrent la qualité appréciable de donner des transferts plus rapides et avec des rendements chimiques bien meilleurs que les complexes des étones précités.

Les recherches ont été ainsi élargies aux complexes de fer carbonyle de différentes oxazolines dont on teste l'aptitude à la réaction d'échange de ligand comme dans le transfert suivant observé:

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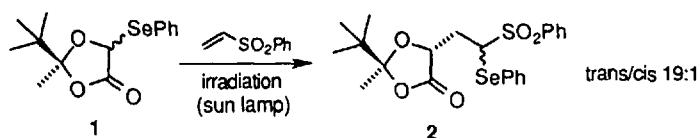
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**Preparation of Enantiopure  $\alpha$ -Hydroxy Acids by Phenylseleno Group Transfer Reactions**

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Radical additions under non-reductive conditions represent a promising tool for the preparation of highly functionalized compounds. Recently, Byers and others have reported the formation of C-C bonds by transfer of a phenylseleno group.<sup>1</sup> The high versatility of organoselenium compounds renders such reactions particularly attractive. We have already reported that the selenium transfer method allows to perform radical additions with alkoxy-substituted ester radicals despite unfavorable captodative stabilization.<sup>2</sup> We report here a general method for the preparation of enantiopure  $\alpha$ -hydroxy acids using the 4-phenylseleno-1,3-dioxolan-5-one **1**. For example, addition of **1** to vinyl sulfone gave **2** as a trans/cis 19:1 mixture of isomers.



Both enantiomers of the radical precursor **1** are efficiently prepared from D-mannitol in 5 steps.

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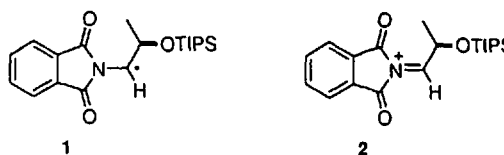
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**Stereoselective Reactions Based on Phthalimido Substituted Radicals and Iminium Ions**

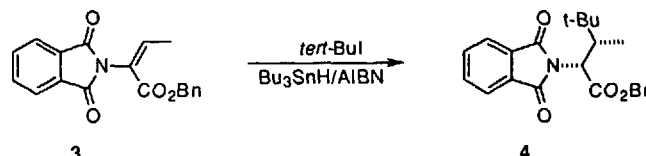
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Investigation of phthalimido substituted radicals of type **1**<sup>1</sup> and iminium ion of type **2** is reported. In both cases similar selectivities were observed and explained by a model based on minimization of 1,3-allylic strain (A<sup>1,3</sup> strain).



Preparative applications will be presented. For instance, radical addition of tert-butyl iodide to the N-phthaloyl dehydroamino acid **3** gave the protected  $\alpha$ -amino acid **4** with a moderate stereoselectivity (70% ds).

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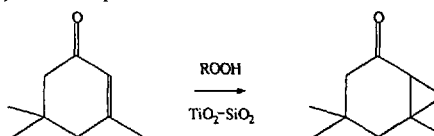
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**Novel Titania-Silica Aerogels for the Selective Epoxidation of Isophorone with Hydroperoxides**

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The discovery of TiO<sub>2</sub>-on-SiO<sub>2</sub> and TS-1 represents two milestones in the history of solid-catalyzed epoxidation of olefins. Presently, the research is aimed at developing new meso- and macroporous materials able to epoxidize bulky olefins under mild conditions. Here we demonstrate that TiO<sub>2</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> mixed oxides, which are generally considered as catalysts of poor epoxidation activity, can provide excellent reaction rates and selectivities after the proper tuning of the preparation variables. The performance of our sol-gel aerogel catalysts is shown in the epoxidation of a bulky, electron-deficient (unreactive) olefin, isophorone.



The TiO<sub>2</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> aerogels were synthesized using a sol-gel process followed by supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> extraction [1]. The amorphous aerogels containing 5-20 wt% TiO<sub>2</sub> possess high surface area (460-680 m<sup>2</sup>g<sup>-1</sup>) and mesoporous structure (8-10 nm mean pore diameter). FTIR and UV spectroscopic analysis revealed a high dispersion of Ti in the SiO<sub>2</sub> matrix.

In the epoxidation of isophorone the aerogels provided high selectivity (> 98%) at 333 K, using t-butyl hydroperoxide as oxidant. There is a positive correlation between oxidation rate and Ti-O-Si connectivity, characteristic of Ti-dispersion in the SiO<sub>2</sub> matrix. The suppressed reactivity of isophorone compared to cyclohexene and limonene is attributed to the electron-withdrawing effect of the carbonyl group, whereas steric hindrance by the methyl group is of secondary importance.

Under optimized reaction conditions, the aerogel containing 20 wt% TiO<sub>2</sub> proved to be superior to other well-known TiO<sub>2</sub>-SiO<sub>2</sub> catalysts, such as TiO<sub>2</sub>-on-SiO<sub>2</sub> (limited number of active sites) and TS-1 (narrow channels).

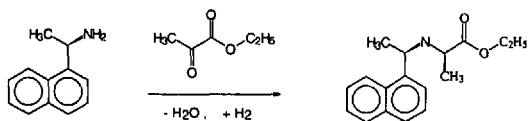
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**Enantioselective hydrogenation of ethyl pyruvate over Pt metals modified by 1-(1-naphthyl)ethylamine and derivatives**

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Recently we have shown that, besides cinchona alkaloids, structurally simple synthetic 1,2-aminoalcohols are efficient modifiers in the enantioselective hydrogenation of ethyl pyruvate (EP) to (*R*)-ethyl lactate. Based on the experience obtained we tested commercially available chiral N-compounds. All these modifiers possess the crucial structural parts, including the flat aromatic moiety promoting the adsorption on Pt, the stereogenic center(s) to induce enantioselectivity and a N-containing group, providing the interaction with EP. One of them, (*R*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethylamine (NEA) afforded higher enantiomeric excess than cinchonidine under low pressure conditions.

Interestingly, NEA is only a precursor of the actual modifier, which is a secondary amine formed in situ from NEA and EP in a highly diastereoselective (97 %) condensation-reduction reaction, as shown below [1]. The enantioselectivity of EP hydrogenation is determined only by the stereogenic center originally present in NEA. A series of related derivatives has been prepared by reductive alkylation and tested as chiral modifiers. Optimization of reaction parameters provided 82 % ee at full conversion using Pt/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> in AcOH at 8 bar and 282 K.



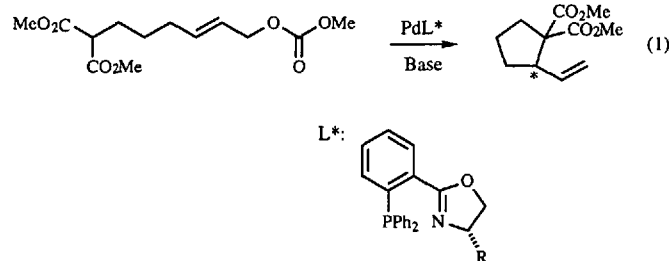
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**Chiral Phosphinoaryl-oxazolines as Ligands in Asymmetric Catalysis: Palladium-Catalyzed Intramolecular Allylic Substitution**

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Palladium-catalyzed allylic substitution is a versatile, widely used process in organic synthesis and the development of efficient enantioselective catalysts for this reaction is an important goal of current research in this area. We have found that palladium complexes of chiral 2-(2-phosphinoaryl)-oxazolines are effective catalysts for enantioselective intermolecular allylic substitutions [1-3]. In reaction (1), an intramolecular version of the palladium catalyzed allylic alkylation, enantioselectivities up to 87% ee have been obtained.



The scope and limitations of this intramolecular enantioselective allylic substitution will be discussed.

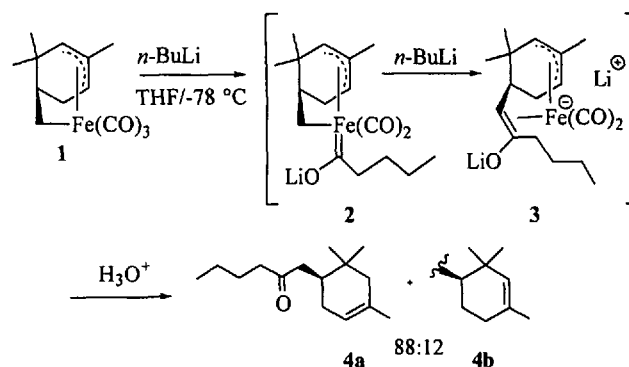
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**Unexpected Reaction of a Tricarbonyl Iron Complex with *n*-Butyl Lithium**

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Treatment of the iron complex 1 (obtained in 60% yield from (-)- $\alpha$ -pinene and Fe(CO)<sub>5</sub>) with two equivalents of *n*-butyl lithium quantitatively gives a mixture of the isomeric ketones 4a and 4b after work-up and filtration on alum.



The reaction may proceed via deprotonation of the rearrangement product of the primarily formed carbenoid complex 2 to give a lithium enolate iron complex 3, which is demetallated during the work-up. The position of the double bond in the major isomer 4a would be in agreement with the iron moiety leaving the complex away from the geminal dimethyl group.

Isolation of the presumed intermediate complex 3, addition of electrophiles to it, and the influence of other lithium reagents will be further investigated.

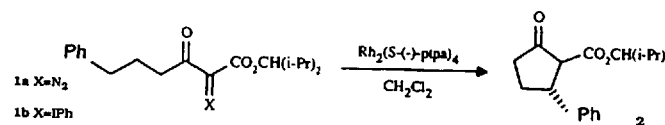
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**Rh<sup>III</sup>-Catalyzed Reactions of Iodonium Ylides**

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Phenyliodonium ylides (R<sub>2</sub>C=IPh) are of interest as substitutes for diazocompounds in carbenoid reactions catalysed by Rh<sup>III</sup>. In cyclopropanations of substituted styrenes catalysed with [Rh<sub>2</sub>(OAc)<sub>4</sub>] the ylides derived from malonic ester (PhI=C(COOMe)<sub>2</sub>) and diazomalonic ester exhibit the same selectivity. The  $\rho$ -value of the corresponding Hammett plot is -0.47 [1]. When appropriately substituted, iodonium ylides, in the presence of [Rh<sub>2</sub>(OAc)<sub>4</sub>] undergo intramolecular insertions into CH bonds. In intramolecular competition experiments diazo compounds and iodonium ylides exhibit identical product ratios for cyclopropanation and CH-insertion, and identical ee's result upon [Rh<sub>2</sub>(S-*ptpa*)<sub>4</sub>]-catalyzed CH-insertion [2] of diazocompound 1a and iodonium ylide 1b to the ketoester.



The results provide strong evidence that the Rh<sup>III</sup>-catalyzed decomposition of diazocompounds and the corresponding iodonium ylides proceeds through the same metalcarbene intermediate.

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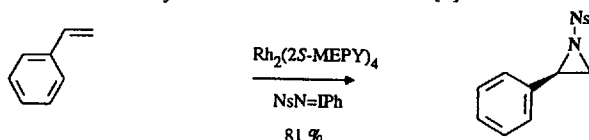
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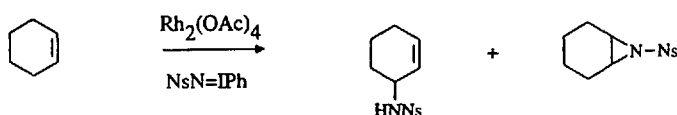
Rh<sup>III</sup>-Catalyzed Nitrene Transfer

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Decomposition of (*N*-(*p*-nitrobenzenesulfonyl)imino) phenyliodane (PhI=NNs) with [Rh<sub>2</sub>(OAc)<sub>4</sub>] in the presence of olefins affords aziridines in yields of up to 85%. The aziridination is stereospecific with *cis*-hex-2-ene and *cis*-β-methylstyrene, but *cis*-stilbene affords a 3:1 mixture of *cis*- and *trans*-aziridines. In the presence of a chiral catalyst [Rh<sub>2</sub>((2*S*)-mepy)<sub>4</sub>] styrene is aziridinated with 80% yield and a modest ee of 21% [1].



The principal competing reaction is insertion into allylic CH-bonds which, with appropriate substrates, may become the predominate pathway. With cyclohexene, the insertion product is formed in 70% yield, while only trace amounts of aziridine form.



Aziridines are also accessible via Rh<sup>III</sup>-catalyzed carbene addition to imines. However, the yields are low and no asymmetric induction is observed.

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Steady-state detection of the luminescence of singlet oxygen (O<sub>2</sub><sup>1</sup>Δ<sub>g</sub>) in the near-infrared: a new equipment for measurements in aqueous media

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We have built a detection system incorporating an InGaAs diode and appropriate pre-amplification based on the phase sensitive detection technique (PSD) for weak signals (<pWatt) in the near-infrared. The high sensitivity achieved even at room-temperature operation is demonstrated by the observation of the NIR-emission (1270 nm) originating from the singlet excited state of molecular oxygen (<sup>1</sup>Δ<sub>g</sub>) in water (H<sub>2</sub>O) where the lifetime of this singlet excited state (τ<sub>Δ</sub>) is particularly short (about 4μs). This lifetime controls the intensity of the signal as it is directly proportional to the quantum efficiency of emission (Φ<sub>e</sub>),

$$\Phi_e = \Phi_{\Delta} \cdot \tau_{\Delta} \cdot k_e$$

where Φ<sub>Δ</sub> is the quantum yield of singlet oxygen production by the sensitizer, and k<sub>e</sub> the rate constant of singlet oxygen emission.

A home-made current amplifier with a high impedance feedback and narrow bandwidth in connection with the PSD technique now enables us to detect signals at low absorbance in water even at small excitation energies.

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## Femtosekunden-Dynamik von Oberflächenprozessen

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Photochemische Oberflächenprozesse, durch ultrakurze Laserpulse induziert, haben in der letzten Zeit wachsende Bedeutung für die physikalische Chemie erlangt. Viele Reaktionen zwischen Adsorbaten und Metalloberflächen werden eher durch Austausch von heissen Ladungsträgern als durch thermische Aktivierung induziert. Durch Laserlicht an der Metalloberfläche angeregte Elektronen können in Adsorbatzustände tunneln und dort einen Teil ihrer Energie abgeben, bevor sie wieder in einen unbesetzten Zustand des Substrats streuen. Die von den Adsorbaten gewonnene Energie kann ausreichen, um chemische Bindungen zu brechen oder den Desorptionsvorgang auszulösen. Ein wichtiger Parameter für diese Oberflächenreaktionen ist die Transfer-Rate der heissen Elektronen, die stark von den konkurrierenden Mechanismen im Metall abhängt. Dabei handelt es sich zum einen um die Energierelaxation der heissen Elektronen, zum anderen um deren Diffusion von der Oberfläche ins Metallinnere. Beides sind Prozesse, die die Anzahl der für den Ladungstransfer zur Verfügung stehenden angeregten Elektronen reduzieren. Zur Untersuchung dieser Konkurrenzprozesse eignet sich im besonderen Masse die zeitaufgelöste 2-Photonen-Photoemissions Spektroskopie, die auf der Pump und Probe Technik basiert. Dabei regt der Pumpimpuls Elektronen in einen unbesetzten Zustand unterhalb der Vakuumenergie an, aus dem sie innerhalb ihrer Lebensdauer mit Hilfe des zweiten Pulses ins Vakuum emittiert werden können. Unsere Messungen an verschiedenen polykristallinen Metallen zeigen, dass der Relaxationsprozess der angeregten Elektronen in Silber sich in Übereinstimmung mit der Fermi-Liquid Theorie verhält, während die Werte für Gold und Kupfer stark abweichen. STM Untersuchungen verdeutlichen, dass diese Abweichung nicht durch Oberflächeneffekte verursacht wird, sondern auf Bulkeffekte zurückzuführen ist. Für Übergangsmetalle ist die Relaxationszeit deutlich kürzer als für Edelmetalle, was darauf hinweist, dass der Zerfall von der Anzahl der unbesetzten d-Orbitale unterhalb des untersuchten Energiezustandes beeinflusst wird. Der Einfluss der Diffusion der angeregten Elektronen ins Metallinnere kann durch die Verwendung von sehr dünnen (200Å) Metallfilmen auf Isolatorträgern vermindert werden.

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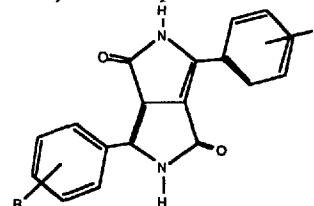
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## Triplet States of 1,4-Diketo-pyrrolo[3,4-c]pyrroles (DPP)

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Diketopyrrolopyrroles (DPP) have gained interest due to their high light- and weather fastness. Their properties are mainly due to the high crystal stability. Nevertheless emission studies have shown that in pigmented films, monomers are adsorbed on the surface of the particles. These are subject to the photo-induced chemical reactions.



DPP has a particular low triplet energy (30 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>)<sup>1</sup>, allowing sensitization of <sup>1</sup>O<sub>2</sub> through the following reaction:



The low-lying triplet state is a property of the core structure of the molecule. This can be shown by analysis of the orbitals calculated by the ZINDO method. Comparison of different derivatives allows the conclusion that the energy lowering of the triplet due to the additional term in the exchange integral becomes important for DPP due to the narrow distribution of the HOMO and LUMO.

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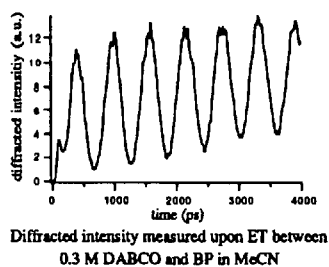
## Transient Phase Grating Study of Photoinduced Electron Transfer Reactions in Solution

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Transient phase grating spectroscopy is a holographic technique allowing variations of the refractive index,  $\Delta n$ , to be measured. These variations can be induced by density modulations arising from heat releasing reactions produced at the interference maxima of a transient grating<sup>1</sup>. The time dependent intensity of a diffracted probe laser pulse (or cw laser light) provides informations about the kinetic and thermodynamic properties of the observed system.

We report on the photoinduced electron transfer (ET) reaction between diazabicyclo[2.2.2]octan (DABCO) as the donor and triplet benzophenone (BP) as the acceptor. By using *cw-reading laser* detection in the NIR-region and comparing the intensities associated with the different heat releasing steps, the theoretical value for the enthalpy of free ions,  $\Delta H_{fi}$ , was confirmed to be around  $-0.74 \pm 0.04 \text{ eV}^2$ . The same technique was used to measure the quantum yield of free ions in the system of dicyanoanthracene with several donors.<sup>3</sup> By using *ps-reading-pulses* the energetics involved in the formation of the geminate ion pair (ip) between BP and DABCO,  $\Delta H_{ip}$ , was measured, resulting in a value for the Coulomb-term, C, i.e. the term describing the electrostatic interaction between the ions, of about  $-0.28 \pm 0.06 \text{ eV}^4$ .

The comparison between  $\Delta H_{fi}$  and  $\Delta H_{ip}$  opens an alternative way to determine C resulting in a value of  $-0.18 \pm 0.06 \text{ eV}$ . The significations of these results will be discussed.



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## Chiral Discrimination in Gas-Phase Pair Complexes

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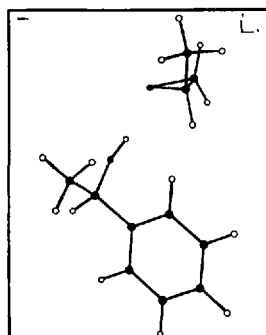
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The interactions between two chiral molecules **M** and **M'** have been studied in supersonic beams by resonant two-photon ionization (R2PI) spectroscopy, combined with time-of-flight (TOF) mass spectroscopy. During the adiabatic jet expansion, cold gas-phase pair complexes of the type **M•••M'** (besides higher clusters **M•••(M')**<sub>n</sub>) are formed. **M** denotes a hydrogen bond donor, **M'** the corresponding H-bond acceptor.

We investigated R(+)-methyl benzyl alcohol (R-MBA) and R(-)-indanol complexed to either R(+)- or S(-)-propylene oxide. The binary complexes formed are diastereomers, and therefore exhibit different optical spectra. The bare chromophore R-MBA shows a strong electronic origin at  $37623 \text{ cm}^{-1}$ , which is almost devoid of low-frequency vibrational structure. The diastereomer complexes show a blue-shift of  $\approx 4 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for R-MBA•••R-PO and a red-shift of  $\approx 36 \text{ cm}^{-1}$  for R-MBA•••S-PO. The spectra of both of the complexes differ from that of the bare chromophore R-MBA, and also from each other, which clearly indicates dissimilar structures of the complexes. Also the R-MBA•••S-PO diastereomer is formed much more readily, indicating that the H-bond in the R•S' complex is much stronger.

The spectrum of the R-MBA•••R-PO diastereomer exhibits a low-frequency intermolecular vibrational progression with 12-13  $\text{cm}^{-1}$  spacings. This is typical for intermolecular bending and rocking vibrations of hydrogen bonded complexes, and indicates an angular reorientation of the complex upon electronic excitation.



MOPAC optimized structure of the R-MBA•••R-PO complex

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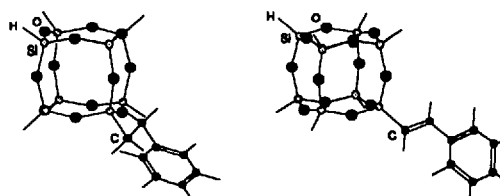
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## Vibrations of monosubstituted octasilasesquioxanes

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Monosubstituted octanuclear silasesquioxanes of the type  $\text{RH}_7\text{Si}_8\text{O}_{12}$  have become available in the last years.<sup>1</sup> They can be used to investigate the influence of symmetry reduction on the vibrational behaviour of the  $\text{H}_8\text{Si}_8\text{O}_{12}$  cage.



We have recorded the FTIR and FT Raman spectra of  $\text{RH}_7\text{Si}_8\text{O}_{12}$  with  $\text{R} = -\text{CH}_2-\text{CH}_2-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$  and  $-\text{CH}=\text{CH}-\text{C}_6\text{H}_5$ . Their vibrational structure was described as a superposition of the spectral features of  $\text{H}_8\text{Si}_8\text{O}_{12}$  and of the organic substituents ethylbenzene and styrene. Normal coordinate analyses was applied by combining the force fields of  $\text{H}_8\text{Si}_8\text{O}_{12}$  and of the organic substituents. Coordinates and force constants of the vibrations involving the Si-C bond were introduced. Only the new introduced force constants were fitted.

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## Modelling of a Thin Layer Cell Consisting of Two Polymer Coated Electrodes

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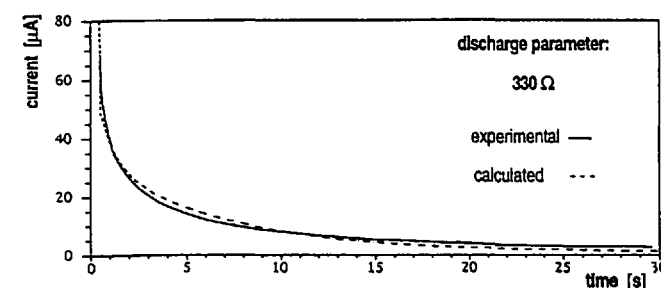
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Redox polymer coated electrodes are an attractive material to construct rechargeable batteries with high charge densities. Because of the different properties of this material in comparison to well studied plane electrodes, a considerable amount of research has been done in modelling the time dependent behaviour of these electrodes in the last years [1], or, very recently [2], to simulate charge and discharge of cells.

A general mathematical formulation is developed in this work that allows the quantitative analysis of a thin layer cell. We present the simulation results of a cell, consisting of two polyvinylferrocene ( $\text{Cp}_2\text{Fe}$ ) coated electrodes, and show the comparison with the experimentally derived results. The simulation model includes mass transport by diffusion, electron transfer by hopping, and *Donnan* partition kinetics at the interface between polymer and the separator.



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## Optimization of Pasted Zinc Electrodes for Zinc-Air Batteries

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The demonstration of long cycle life performance for electrically rechargeable zinc-air batteries is an important goal in order to make this system attractive for electric vehicle applications.

Recently we demonstrated very promising cycle-life behaviour of  $\text{La}_{0.6}\text{Ca}_{0.4}\text{CoO}_3$ -catalyzed bifunctional oxygen electrodes in an oxygen electrode experiment [1], as well as in a zinc-oxygen cell [2]. From our data we conclude that the stability of the bifunctional catalyst and its support material as well as the change in porosity and pore size distribution at the zinc electrode are the limiting factors of the zinc-oxygen cells. Densification of the pasted zinc electrode seems to be the major reason for the loss of battery capacity at high cycle numbers.

We will discuss the influence of porosity and pore size distribution on the cycle life performance of the zinc-oxygen cell. Therefore, pasted zinc electrodes of various compositions were tested in monopolar cells of 2.5Ah nominal capacity. The pasted zinc electrode contains  $\text{ZnO}$ , traces of  $\text{PbO}$ , PTFE and different amounts of cellulose (fig. 1). The porosity and pore size distribution of the pasted zinc electrodes were measured by means of mercury porosimetry.

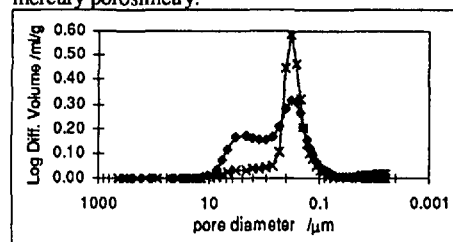


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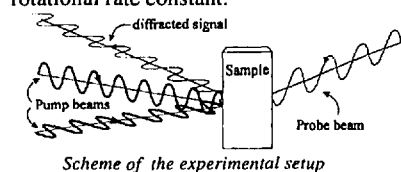
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## Picosecond polarization grating study of the rotational dynamics of Rhodamin 6 G in different electronic states

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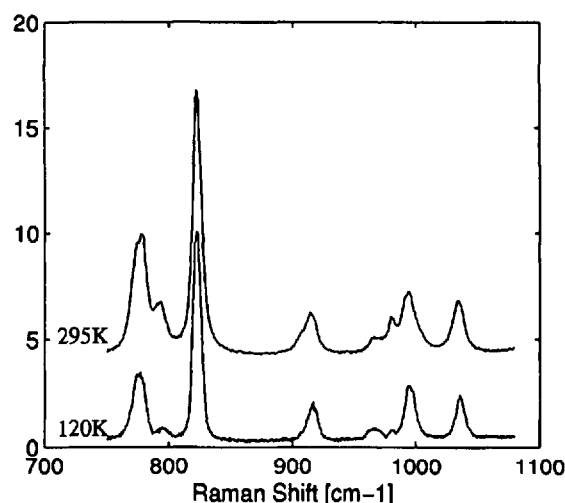
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## Conformational study of 2-butanol using temperature-dependent Raman measurements and MM3 calculations

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Temperature-dependent Raman measurements of 2-butanol at temperatures ranging from 120 K to 360 K have been performed. These data allow to distinguish Raman bands pertaining to different conformers and to evaluate their relative energies. These results are compared with energies calculated by MM3 for a series of conformers and with the computed vibrational spectra.



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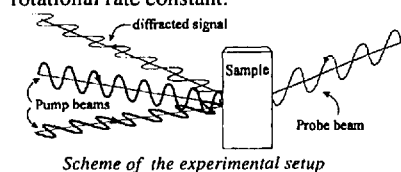
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SELECTIVE REDUCTION OF  $\text{NO}_x$  BY  $\text{NH}_3$  OVER COMMERCIAL  $\text{DeNO}_x$  CATALYST: PARAMETRIC SENSITIVITY AND KINETIC MODELING

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Selective catalytic reduction (SCR) by ammonia is the most widely employed technique for the removal of  $\text{NO}_x$  from stationary combustion sources. Several kinetic and mechanistic studies on the reduction of nitric oxide on vanadia containing catalysts have been reported. Generally, a first order kinetics in nitric oxide and zeroth order in ammonia is assumed. This kinetic behavior can be explained by an Eley-Rideal mechanism involving adsorbed ammonia and nitric oxide from the gas phase.

In this work the kinetics of the selective catalytic reduction of nitric oxide by ammonia have been investigated over a vanadia-based commercial  $\text{DeNO}_x$ -catalyst. For temperatures exceeding 200°C the kinetic data are described well with a model which is based on an Eley-Rideal mechanism. Below 200°C the conversion is higher than predicted. In this temperature range the kinetics could be properly described by accounting for an additional reaction pathway following a Langmuir-type mechanism, which occurs only at low temperatures. Regarding the influence of water and oxygen on SCR,  $\text{O}_2$  accelerated and  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  decreased the reaction rate. The addition of up to 2%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  to the dry feed notably reduced the rate of  $\text{NO}_x$  conversion. The effect levels off for higher  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  concentrations and between 2.5% and 7.5%  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  no significant dependence was perceptible. Similarly, the conversion of  $\text{NO}_x$  is almost independent on  $\text{O}_2$  for concentrations between 2% and 10%. Lower oxygen concentrations resulted in a marked decrease of the catalytic activity.

**Untersuchung verschiedener Eisen-Zeolithkatalysatorsysteme auf ihre Einsetzbarkeit zum photochemischen oxidativen Abbau von 4-Chlorphenol**

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Die photokatalytische Aktivität der Systeme Fe-SM27-Zeolith/H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> und Fe-Y-Zeolith/H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> wurde anhand des Abbaus von 4-Chlorphenol untersucht. Die Einbringung der Eisenionen in die Zeolithstruktur wurde durch konventionellen Ionenaustausch oder durch Substitution der Aluminiumionen erreicht. Die Charakterisierung der Zeolithsysteme erfolgte mittels Röntgendiffraktometrie (XRD), Fouriertransform-Infrarotspektroskopie (FT-IR) und durch Bestimmung der Adsorptionskapazität (BET). Die photochemischen Versuche wurden in einem Durchflussreaktor durchgeführt. Als Lichtquelle diente eine 150W Quecksilbermitteldrucklampe. Als analytische Untersuchungsmethoden wurden HPLC und DOC benutzt. Überraschend ist die totale Inaktivität der Y-Zeolithe, die wir an Hand von Strukturmodellen zu erklären versuchen

**Laser-induced thermal desorption of aniline from silica surfaces**Stefan Nettesheim, Pierre Voumard and Renato Zenobi  
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Submonolayer coverages of aniline desorb intact from silica surfaces both for classical temperature programmed desorption (TPD) experiments as well as during pulsed laser-induced thermal desorption where heating rates of 10<sup>10</sup> K/s are reached [1].

We are currently exploring methods to measure these fast surface temperature transients by time-resolved detection of the blackbody-emission in the 3-7 μm range and monitoring the depletion of the aniline layer by time-resolved ellipsometry. This is important to verify whether the kinetic parameters governing the quasi-equilibrium desorption characteristics for TPD sweeps can be applied to the regime of high laser heating rates.

Partitioning of the thermal energy supplied by the laser pulse into kinetic and internal (rovibronic) energy of the desorbing aniline is probed by time of flight measurements combined with resonant multiphoton ionization spectroscopy (REMPI-TOF).

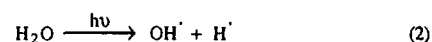
While the surface of the silica sample reaches about 600-700 K at the time of desorption, the kinetic temperature of laser-desorbed aniline was found to be T<sub>kin</sub>=420±60 K, T<sub>vib</sub>=360±60 K, and T<sub>rot</sub>=350±100 K. These results are discussed using different models for laser-induced thermal desorption from surfaces.

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The present work describes a new application of a vacuum ultraviolet source based on incoherent xenon excimer radiation originating from a dielectric barrier discharge and providing narrow band radiation at 172 nm. As such a light source is flexible with respect to its geometry and its electrodes configuration a new reactor has been designed making maximum use of the emitted VUV radiation. Hence, with one light source, two simultaneous, separate photochemical reactions have been achieved: (1) photochemical generation of ozone by irradiating oxygen in the gas phase, (2) photolysis of water in the liquid phase.



Analytical experiments were conducted to quantify the photochemically generated ozone in the gas phase and its residual concentration in water after the ozone was introduced into the liquid reaction system and irradiated by the same light source. This work presents the degradation kinetics of chlorinated hydrocarbons in differentiating the effects of VUV photolysis and oxidation by ozone, by applying each of the oxidants separately as well as a combination of both.

**Thin metal films on mica: a comparative study with XRD, AFM and XPS**J.-D. Grunwaldt, F. Atamny, U. Göbel, A. Baiker  
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Flat and highly orientated thin films are of great interest in surface science. Among other applications thin metal films with such well-defined structural properties are suitable model systems for studying the relation between the structural and catalytic properties of metals. The crystallographical and morphological properties of thin metal films prepared by physical vapour deposition strongly depend on the deposition parameters.

In this study thin gold films on muscovite mica at different substrate temperatures (410-680 K) and thin silver films of different thicknesses (50-300 nm) using different substrate temperatures (480 K-680 K) were prepared. The residual oxygen partial pressure in the preparation chamber amounted to ca. 2·10<sup>-7</sup> mbar. XRD indicated that the gold films were exclusively [111]-orientated, whereas the silver films also showed some [100]-orientation. The amount of silver islands with [100]-orientation was found to be strongly dependent on the deposition parameters: At a substrate temperature of 530 K and low film thicknesses the [111]-orientation was most pronounced (> 99.9 %). Below or above this temperature as well as in thicker films the amount of the [100]-orientated islands increased. AFM-studies revealed that mainly two shapes of crystals - flat islands with hexagonal-like symmetry and higher oval-shaped islands - exist which can be related to the XRD studies.

The size of the islands in the gold and silver films is significantly larger than 500 nm (measured by STM and AFM) and varies significantly with the substrate temperature and film thickness.

XPS-analysis of gold and silver films indicated the presence of a substantial amount of oxygen and carbon on the surface. Most of the contaminants could be removed by sputtering. Interestingly, the differently prepared silver films show a similar carbon content but a different oxygen content on the surface before and after sputtering. Higher oxygen contents were found for silver samples with significant contributions of (100) planes.

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**Comparative Study of Formation of Harmful By-products in Selective Catalytic Reduction of NO<sub>x</sub> over Cu/ZSM-5 and Alumina**

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The reduction of nitrogen oxides (NO<sub>x</sub>) emissions, both from stationary and mobile sources, is a major task to be solved for environmental protection. Recently, increased attention has been given to the removal of NO<sub>x</sub> from lean-burn engines operating under net oxidizing conditions, utilizing hydrocarbons as reducing agent. Although nitrogen has been found as the major nitrogen containing product, other species such as HCN, NH<sub>3</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and HNCO have been observed in the course of the reaction [1,2].

Here we report the formation of by-products in the selective catalytic reduction of NO<sub>x</sub> by either ethene or propene in the presence of excess oxygen over γ-alumina and Cu/ZSM-5. The apparatus used for the catalytic studies consisted essentially of a dosing system for the reactant gases, a tubular fixed-bed micro reactor and a FT-IR spectrometer, equipped with a heatable gas cell and a MCT-detector, for gas analysis.

The catalytic performance as well as the formation of undesired by-products are strongly governed by the catalyst, the hydrocarbon used as a reductant, the nitrogen oxide (NO or NO<sub>2</sub>) and the presence of water. Substantial quantities of undesirable by-products such as CO, HCN, HNCO, NH<sub>3</sub>, N<sub>2</sub>O and CH<sub>2</sub>O are formed under certain experimental conditions. With alumina, NO<sub>2</sub> is reduced more efficiently than NO with both reductants but with ethene showing a lower tendency to form undesired by-products. Water addition strongly suppresses catalytic activity and formation of by-products. This contrasts the findings with Cu/ZSM-5, where HCN formation is not altered by the presence of water and where ammonia appears in place of HNCO upon adding water.

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**Nickel Thin Films Prepared by MOCVD: Morphological and Electrical Properties**E. Atamny<sup>1</sup>, M. Becht<sup>2</sup>, K.-H. Dahmen<sup>2</sup> and A. Baiker<sup>1</sup><sup>1</sup>Laboratorium für Technische Chemie, ETH-Zentrum, CH-8092 Zürich, Fax: +41 1 632 1163<sup>2</sup>Laboratorium für Anorganische Chemie, ETH-Zentrum, CH-8092 Zürich

In the semiconductor industry, chemical vapor deposition (CVD) is routinely used to deposit a wide variety of thin films. Many different types of reactors, new CVD processes as well as alternative precursors have been developed for this purpose.

Although Ni and Ni alloys have interesting properties for various applications (like microelectronics and catalysis) only a few reports exist about the properties of these films prepared by CVD. In this study, we present thin nickel films prepared by metal organic chemical vapor deposition (MOCVD) using bis(dimethylglyoximate)Ni(II) as precursors. The aim was (i) to investigate alternatives to the very toxic Ni(CO)<sub>4</sub> precursor, (ii) to optimize the conditions for Ni film growth, and (iii) to characterize the film morphology and growth mechanism.

The deposition of the films was carried out in a horizontal quartz reactor at reduced pressure in a hydrogen/helium atmosphere. The films were analysed by X-ray diffraction and AFM. Information about the electrical behaviour of the deposited materials was gained from resistivity measurements. Film thicknesses were determined using a profilometer. The combined AFM (morphology and surface roughness) and electrical resistance studies provided interesting information on the growth mechanism of the films which will be discussed.

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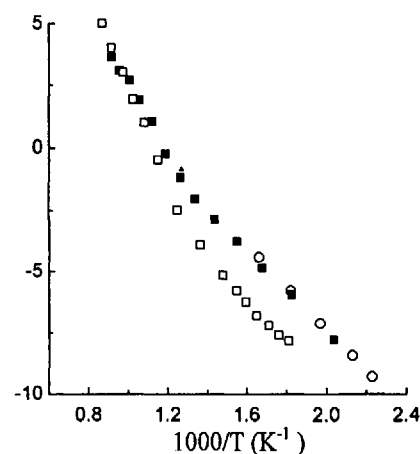
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**Ionic conductivity and superionic behaviour of Na<sub>2</sub>S single crystals: an experimental study.**

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Alkali sulfide single crystals are grown in our laboratory. We present results of ionic conductivity measurements performed as a function of temperature (300K-1200K) and frequency (10H-10<sup>4</sup>Hz) on the Na<sub>2</sub>S moiety. The results show at lower temperatures the extrinsic behaviour due to impurities and the intrinsic conductivity at elevated temperatures. Raman experiments have further been performed on this system.

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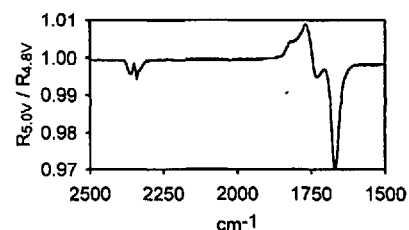
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**Untersuchungen an organischen Elektrolyten mittels SNIFTIRS (Subtractively Normalized Interfacial FTIR Spectroscopy)**Felix Joho<sup>a,b</sup>, Petr Novák<sup>a</sup>, Otto Haas<sup>a</sup> und Reinhard Nesper<sup>b</sup><sup>a</sup>Paul Scherrer Institut, Sektion Elektrochemie, CH-5232 Villigen PSI<sup>b</sup>Laboratorium für Anorganische Chemie, ETH-Zentrum, CH-8092 Zürich

Für wiederaufladbare Lithium- oder Ionentransferbatterien sind wässrige Elektrolyte nicht mehr geeignet, weil sie Zellspannungen über 2V kaum ermöglichen. Deshalb müssen organische Elektrolyte verwendet werden, die bei wesentlich grösseren Spannungen noch stabil sind. Im Idealfall bilden diese Schutzfilme aus Zersetzungsprodukten, die zwar für die Lithiumionen immer noch durchlässig sind, aber den flüssigen Elektrolyten wirksam vor weiterer Zersetzung schützen. Die richtige Wahl des Elektrolyten zu den Elektroden verlängert die Lebensdauer einer Batterie erheblich.

Um einen Einblick in die Vorgänge an der Elektrodenoberfläche zu erhalten, haben wir eine spezielle Messzelle entwickelt, womit die Phasengrenze Elektrolyt/Elektrode in situ mit SNIFTIRS beobachtet werden kann. Zum Beispiel von 1M LiClO<sub>4</sub> in Propylencarbonat: Auf dem Bild ist die normalisierte Differenz zweier FTIR-Spektren zu sehen, bei einer Spannung von 5.0V resp. 4.8V zwischen einer Lithiumgegen- und einer Nickelarbeits-Elektrode angelegt wurde. Zwischen diesen beiden Potentialwerten beginnt eine intensive Zersetzung des Elektrolyten an der Arbeitselektrode. Die scharfe Bande bei 2342 cm<sup>-1</sup> ist auf die Entwicklung von CO<sub>2</sub> zurückzuführen. Die Verschiebung der Carbonylschwingungen zu kleineren Wellenzahlen deutet auf eine Ringöffnung des Propylencarbonats hin. Es werden Resultate von verschiedenen Elektrolytsystemen vorgestellt.



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## Reibungsmessungen mit dem Rasterkraftmikroskop

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Das Rasterkraftmikroskop (AFM) ist zu einem wichtigen Instrument zur Untersuchung von Oberflächen im Bereich von einigen Å bis mehreren µm geworden. Neben dem ursprünglichen, nur Topographie abbildenden AFM sind in den letzten Jahren zahlreiche Erweiterungen entwickelt worden, mit denen physikalische und chemische Eigenschaften von festen Stoffen untersucht werden können.

Wir haben das Reibungsverhalten auf MoS<sub>2</sub>, Glimmer und Korund mit Hilfe eines Rasterkraftmikroskops eingehend untersucht. Dazu wurde MoS<sub>2</sub> in Form von 1,2 nm flachen Partikeln mit einem Durchmesser von einigen 100 nm, sogenannten "single-layern", auf Glimmer bzw. Korund-Einkristallen aufgetragen. Auf diese Weise war es möglich, die Reibung von zwei verschiedenen Materialien in einer Aufnahme zu messen und zu vergleichen. Das Reibungsverhalten wurde insbesondere bei verschiedenen Feuchtigkeiten untersucht. In trockener Umgebung hat Glimmer einen kleineren Reibungskoeffizienten als MoS<sub>2</sub>. Im Bereich zwischen 40 und 60% Feuchtigkeit kehrt sich das Reibungsverhältnis jedoch um. Dies ist auf die Adsorption von Wasser auf der Glimmoberfläche zurückzuführen. Glimmer ist stark hydrophil. In feuchter Umgebung bildet sich ein Wasserfilm auf der Oberfläche aus, der die Kapillarkräfte zwischen der Spitze des Kraftmikroskops und der Probe erhöht. Das hat zur Folge, dass die lateralen bzw. Reibungskräfte, die während des Abrasterns auf die Spitze wirken, erhöht werden.

Die Adsorption von Wasser auf MoS<sub>2</sub> und Korund ist gering. Entsprechend ändern sich die Reibungskoeffizienten von MoS<sub>2</sub> und Korund mit dem Feuchtigkeitsgehalt der Umgebung nur wenig. Die Reibung auf Korund ist stets kleiner als auf MoS<sub>2</sub>.

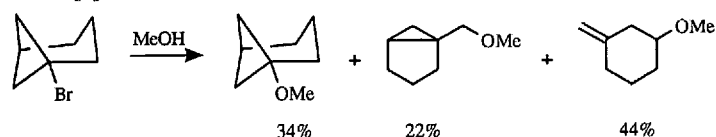
Ab Initio Investigation of the C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> Potential Energy Surface

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Bridgehead halides have a markedly reduced reactivity which was rationalized recently in terms of structure-reactivity relationships [1]. A notable exception to these relationships is provided by the bicyclo[3.1.1]halides, which indeed solvolyse more rapidly than expected on the grounds of the strain energies accumulated in the corresponding cations.

1-bromobicyclo[3.1.1]heptane in particular shows extraordinary reactivity even under mild solvolytic conditions, leading to a mixture of both rearranged and unrearranged products [2]. This halide is at least 8 times more reactive than *tert*-butyl bromide, despite the fact that it has been believed to react *via* the intermediacy of strained bicyclo[3.1.1]heptyl cation [2].



In the present work the C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>11</sub><sup>+</sup> potential energy surface has been investigated with *ab initio* methods in order to provide computational evidence for the enhanced reactivity for the bicyclo[3.1.1]heptyl halides. These results will be discussed and in addition, will be compared with those obtained for other bridgehead carbocations [3]. The computed data will also be correlated with experimental results.

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## Solvent effect on the NMR chemical shieldings in water calculated by molecular dynamics and density functional theory.

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The solvent effect on the NMR chemical shielding in liquid water is calculated from a combination of molecular dynamics simulations and quantum chemical calculations for protons and <sup>17</sup>O. The simulations are performed with three different potentials, *ab initio* as well as empirical ones, to study the influence of the force field. From liquid configurations obtained in these simulations, molecules are randomly chosen together with neighbour molecules to get clusters of water typical for the liquid at the selected temperature and pressure. Different cluster sizes are studied. The clusters are treated as supermolecules in quantum chemical calculations of chemical shifts by sum-over-states density functional perturbation theory with individual gauge for localized orbitals. An average over clusters yields the chemical shielding in the liquid at the selected temperature and density. The best values obtained for the gas-liquid shift, -3.2 ppm (exp. -4.26 ppm) for the proton and -37.6 ppm (exp. 36.1 ppm) for <sup>17</sup>O, show fair agreement with experiment, but the results depend strongly on the chosen interatomic potential.

## Applications of Kohn-Sham Equations with Constrained Electron Density

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Most current applications of Density Functional Theory for studies of molecular properties are based on the Kohn-Sham (KS) approach [1], where the electron density minimizing the total energy functional is derived from molecular orbitals. We proposed recently an alternative approach for searching for the electron density minimizing the total energy [2,3]. In this approach, the total electron density is represented as a sum of two components ( $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ ). Only  $\rho_1$  is allowed to vary and it is obtained from Kohn-Sham equations with constrained electron density (KSCED). The KSCED equations contain terms representing the coupling between  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ . These terms involve also a new functional, namely the non-additive kinetic energy functional [2] that is not present in the original KS method. The following applications of the KSCED approach will be presented:

- the ground state properties of interacting H<sub>2</sub> and NCH molecules,
- the energy gap between states with different symmetry (<sup>2</sup>E and <sup>4</sup>A<sub>2</sub>) of (CrCl<sub>6</sub>)<sup>3-</sup> complex,
- the polarization of water molecules surrounding a lanthanide ion (Gd<sup>3+</sup>) and the structure of the complex.

In the all cases, the KSCED approach has been shown to lead to accurate results as compared with supermolecule calculations, while requiring a substantially smaller computational effort.

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**Optical Spectra of Transition Metal Tetraoxo Compounds:  
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Density Functional Theory is used to predict excited state properties of several transition metal compounds from first principles.

Combining the Transition Operator approach [1] with the Equiensemble DF Formalism in its generalized form [2], a selfconsistent set of symmetry adapted state functions is constructed to calculate transition energies, excited state multiplet splittings [3] and vibrational frequencies from total energies. Results are compared with data obtained from a  $\Delta$ SCF procedure.

A comparison between experimentally derived and calculated data shows, that the trends in the chemical series are well reproduced for  $d^0$  transition metal oxides ( $\text{VO}_4^{3-}$ ,  $\text{CrO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{MnO}_4^-$ ;  $\text{MoO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{TcO}_4^-$ ,  $\text{RuO}_4$ ). With the inclusion of relativistic corrections, the results for  $\text{WO}_4^{2-}$ ,  $\text{ReO}_4^-$ , and  $\text{OsO}_4$  are in good agreement with the experimental absorption spectra.

We discuss whether the presented calculation approach is also useful to obtain d-d- and CT-transitions in  $d^n$  ( $n = 1, 2$ ) compounds. Examples of the  $\text{MnO}_4^{n-}$  series are shown.

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**Molecular modelling study of hydrophobic interactions between  
HEL(52-61) and related peptides by I-A<sup>k</sup> class II MHC molecule.**Peter Weber<sup>1</sup>, Pierre-Alain Carrupt<sup>1</sup>, Joelle Paris<sup>2</sup>, Denis Gerlier<sup>3</sup>,  
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The I-A<sup>k</sup> class II major histocompatibility complex (MHC) is a protein of the mouse immune system. It is a cell surface macromolecule located on antigen-presenting cells (APC). After endosomal degradation of a foreign protein, I-A<sup>k</sup> binds peptidic fragments and brings them to the cell surface to present them to the T cells. This interaction will stimulate the proliferation of the T cells and thus activate the immune response.

This study uses biological *in vitro* data on T-cell activation and competing peptide concentration of 35 peptides derived from the hen egg lysosome (HEL) fragment 52-61 [1]. A SAR analysis was performed using the molecular lipophilicity potential (MLP) [2] to see if the three-dimensional lipophilicity of the peptides can explain their binding affinity.

The molecular modelling of the I-A<sup>k</sup> is based on a crystallographic structure of the human HLA-DR1 molecule complexed with an influenza virus peptide (306-318) [3]. The coordinates were kindly provided by J.H. Brown. The sequence homology is 60%, so the I-A<sup>k</sup> molecule was built by "mutating" the non-homologous amino-acids. The MLP applied to the binding groove of the I-A<sup>k</sup> in addition to molecular dynamics served as a guide to postulate the conformation of the bound peptide

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**An *ab initio* derived torsional potential energy surface for (H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>3</sub>**

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An intermolecular potential energy surface was derived for the hydrogen-bonded water trimer as a function of four intermolecular coordinates, the three torsional angles  $\omega_1$ ,  $\omega_2$ ,  $\omega_3$  and the symmetric stretch coordinate (equal O...O distances). The intramolecular geometry of the  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  molecules is held fixed. This surface is based on MP2-R12 *ab initio* calculations [1], which involve very large basis sets and the most extensive treatment of correlation energy for calculations of  $(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3$  so far. The *ab initio* interaction energies, multiplied by six due to the  $S_6$  symmetry of the surface, were fitted using a modified EPLEN potential function. This potential provides a rapidly computable analytical expression for use in calculations of intermolecular vibrational eigenfunctions and -values and other properties of this cluster. Torsional eigenfunctions have been calculated in one-, two- and three-dimensional model calculations. The low-lying torsional wavefunctions are easily classifiable according to nodal properties.

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**A Computer Program for the Calculation of the Kinetic Parameters of  
Solid-state Reactions**

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A computer program for the calculation of the kinetic parameters of solid state reactions has been developed in order to simulate the course of processes during isothermal or non-isothermal heating. For the description of the course of the reaction three parameters have to be determined: the preexponential factor  $A$ , the activation energy  $E$  (constants of Arrhenius equation) and the function of the progress of the reaction  $\alpha$ , which are dependent on the mechanism of the reaction. As a first step the program selects the most suitable model among the 21 models applied in the literature for the description of solid-state kinetics on the basis of the data taken from at least 2 thermogravimetric curves obtained with different heating rates. For each experimental point the program calculates the squared difference between the  $\alpha$  value computed for that point and the corresponding experimental value. In the second step the optimisation of the kinetic data is performed by minimising the total residual sum of squares  $\Sigma(\alpha(\text{exp})-\alpha(\text{cal}))^2$ . The applied numerical integration procedure adjusts  $A$ ,  $E$  and the reaction order  $n$  in previously chosen  $f(\alpha)$  function. After determination of the kinetic parameters the simulation of the course of the reaction under different heating rates (non-isothermal mode) or at different temperatures (isothermal mode) is possible. Input of data can be achieved manually or by using ASCII files. The program runs using Excel 4.0 or 5.0 and has been elaborated for MS-DOS with Windows or Macintosh computers. The application of the program is illustrated by calculating the kinetic parameters of the reduction of NiO by  $\text{H}_2$ .

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**Calculation of photophysical properties of  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$** Karel Doclo, Claude Daul

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Although the ligand-field spectra, photophysics and photochemistry of chromium (III) amine complexes are very well investigated by many experimentalists, there exist almost no *ab initio* studies about this subject. In this work, we searched the ground state geometry of  $[\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6]^{3+}$  using Density Functional Theory (DFT) within the local and non-local approximation. Furthermore, we calculated the multiplet energies within two different approaches: expressing the energies of multiplets in function of the energies of single determinants [1] or in function of electrostatic two-electron integrals [2]. Special attention is given to the  $^4\text{T}_{2g}$  excited state, which undergoes both large totally symmetric and Jahn-Teller distortions.

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**Electron Localization Function (ELF): Application to transition metal complexes**Olivier Schafer and Claude Daul

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The notion of 'electron pair' and 'chemical bond' can be nicely illustrated by a function developed by Becke and Edgecombe [1]. They investigated a way of defining such regions of electron localization. Nice examples of this electron localization function (ELF) from Hartree-Fock calculation are given by Savin et al. [2] and Silvi and Savin [3].

We present a new computer program that derives ELF from Density Functional Theory calculations. Examples for  $\text{CoAl}_2\text{Cl}_8$ ,  $\text{Pd}_2\text{Cl}_4\mu(\text{CO})_2$ ,  $\text{Cr}(\text{NH}_3)_6$ ,  $[\text{CpFeH}_2]^+$ ,  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{acyl})\text{H}]^-$  as well as other chosen transition metal complexes will be presented.

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**Geometry of Coordinatively Unsaturated Two-legged Piano Stool Complexes: A Theoretical Study.**Olivier Schafer and Claude Daul<sup>a)</sup>, Thomas R. Ward<sup>b)</sup>, Peter Hofmann<sup>c)</sup>

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The structure of coordinatively unsaturated two-legged piano stool complexes is analyzed with extended Hückel methodology as well as with Density Functional Theory (DFT). Pyramidal, and thus potentially chiral at the metal, geometries are predicted to be preferred for systems containing low lying  $\pi$ -acceptor orbitals, as well as electropositive  $\sigma$ -donors, i.e. silanes. DFT calculations were carried out for the model compounds  $[\text{CpFeH}_2]^+$ ,  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{CO})_2]^+$  and  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{HCO})\text{H}]^-$ .

In all cases, the computed inversion barriers are too low (<45 kJ/mol) to account for retention of configuration at the metal upon dissociative ligand substitution. An  $\eta^2$ -coordination in  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{acyl})\text{NO}]$  is predicted by the extended Hückel calculations which may account for the stereospecific ligand substitution in acyl containing systems. At the DFT level, an  $\eta^2$ -coordination was found for  $[\text{CpFe}(\text{HCO})\text{H}]^-$  but no  $\eta^1$  minimum was found.

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**Methane Activation by Biological Systems**Howard Dalton

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Despite the fact that over 150 different bacterial strains have been isolated from Nature capable of growing on methane the enzyme responsible for the initial oxidation of methane to methanol has been thoroughly characterized from only two of these strains. The enzyme responsible for this  $\text{O}_2$ -dependent oxidation of methane is called methane monooxygenase (MMO) and comprises three proteins, the reductase, a regulatory protein and the hydroxylase. The reductase interacts with reduced pyridine nucleotides to pass electrons to the hydroxylase, the site of methane activation and dioxygen reduction. The hydroxylase is able to effect methane oxidation by activation of dioxygen through a  $\mu$ -oxo-bridged diiron centre to produce a ferryl species that is electrophilic enough to abstract hydrogen from methane to form a methyl radical. The radical then collapses with captive hydroxyl species to form methanol.

In many respects the mechanism of action closely resembles that of cytochrome P450 which, although responsible for a wide variety of hydrocarbon oxidations is not able to oxidize methane. Indeed an equally large number of metal-based organic complexes have been synthesized in an attempt to mimic the active site of the enzyme to effect room temperature, ambient pressure oxidation of methane. All but one of these have failed to show methane activation so an obvious question to be asked is 'what is so special about the enzyme that allows methane to be entrapped and activated?' The X-ray crystal structure of hydroxylase has given us some insight into this and recent modelling studies have shown that these are two specific binding sites for various MMO substrates that are located close to the diiron centre. In addition to these modelling studies kinetic and spectroscopic data have given us a reasonable picture of how the enzyme works and is regulated. This presentation will attempt to distill this information into a coherent picture of enzymic methane activation and indicate where future studies might lead.

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### Peroxynitrite, an Inorganic Toxin

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Nitrogen monoxide has been identified as a biologically important molecule involved in a number of physiological processes including relaxation of vascular smooth muscle, neurotransmission, platelet inhibition and immune regulation. Among the important reactions of nitrogen monoxide is that with superoxide to form the toxic compound peroxynitrite [oxoperoxonitrate(1-), O=NOO<sup>-</sup>]. The rate constant for this reaction is diffusion-controlled, which makes this reaction kinetically feasible near activated macrophages and neutrophils.

Oxoperoxonitrate(1-) is a relatively stable species, but its protonated form, O=NOOH, isomerizes readily to NO<sub>2</sub><sup>-</sup> and H<sup>+</sup> at a rate of 1.3 s<sup>-1</sup> at 25°C. Both hydrogen oxoperoxonitrate and its anion are powerful oxidants that damage biological compounds. The reaction of oxoperoxonitrate(1-) with aromatic compounds produces both nitrated and hydroxylated products the ratio of which is pH-dependent. These reactions proceed as fast as the isomerization to nitrate and do not depend on the concentration of the aromatic compound. The nitration reaction is enhanced by metal complexes and Cu/Zn superoxide dismutase. In the case of reactions that are first-order overall, it has been suggested that peroxynitrous acid undergoes homolysis to form hydroxyl and nitrogen dioxide radicals. We have argued that homolysis is unlikely on the basis of thermodynamic and kinetic considerations. Instead, O=NOOH itself is a strongly oxidizing agent that oxidizes in an activated state. The oxidizing species is believed to be an intermediate closely related to the transition state for the isomerization of hydrogen oxoperoxonitrate to nitrate. In contrast, oxoperoxonitrate(1-) oxidizes methionine, sulfhydryls, tryptophan and ascorbate in second-order reactions. The reaction of hydrogen oxoperoxonitrate with hypochlorite is also bimolecular and results in the formation of nitrosyl chloride, a nitrosylating species.

It is clear that hydrogen oxoperoxonitrate uses many different pathways to damage biomolecules. The mechanisms of these reactions are the goal of our research.

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### Potassium Monopersulfate: a Useful Oxidant in DNA Cleavage

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Oxidative DNA cleavage is easily performed *in vitro* by using cationic manganese porphyrin complexes activated by potassium monopersulfate, an efficient water-soluble oxygen atom donor [1]. The presentation will be focused on the molecular aspects of DNA cleavage mechanism by these metal-oxo porphyrin species. We recently demonstrated that oxidation at carbon 1' of DNA deoxyriboses by the Mn-TMPyP/KHSO<sub>5</sub> system resulted from a cytochrome P-450-type hydroxylation reaction [2].

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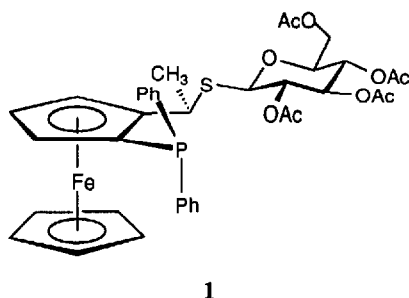
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### New Metal Complexes Based on a Novel Chiral Ligand Sugar-Phosphine Chemistry

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The preparation and characterisation of a series of transition metal complexes and the new chiral P,S-ligand, **1**, will be presented.



The application of **1** as chiral auxiliary in the Pd(II) catalysed enantioselective allylic alkylation will be shown. There will be a brief discussion on how this and other chiral auxiliaries function in this reaction.

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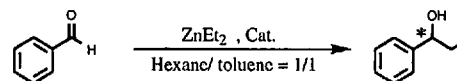
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### Use of rigid pyridyl-alcohols in asymmetric catalysis

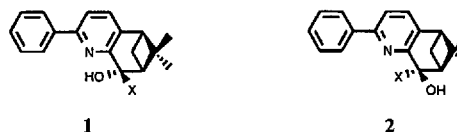
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Optically active β-aminoalcohols are known to be efficient catalysts for various asymmetric reactions, including the enantioselective addition of diethylzinc to benzaldehyde, giving 1-phenyl-1-propanol<sup>[1]</sup>.



The optically active precursor for the synthesis of the catalysts is the inexpensive (-)-α-pinene. The rigidity of the pinene moiety fixes the conformation of the ligand, where the hydroxy group is out of the plane of the pyridine ring.



**1** and **2** are diastereoisomers having very different catalytic efficiencies.

By using 5 % of **1** (X=H), (S)-1-Phenyl-1-propanol was obtained in 87 % yield with an enantiomeric excess of 26 %.

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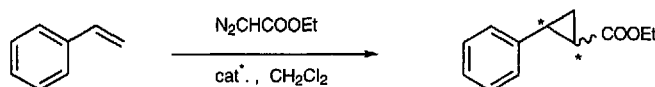
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## Novel Optically Active Bipyridines as Chiral Ligands in Copper-Catalyzed Asymmetric Cyclopropanations

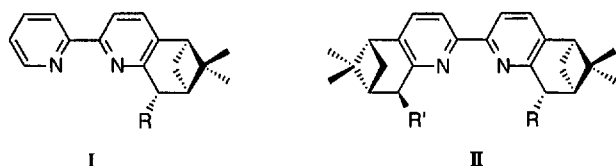
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The reaction of carbenes with olefins represents a superb opportunity for the preparation of small ring molecules. Recently, several groups have been working on asymmetric variations of this reaction [1].



The copper-based chiral catalysts presented here show good to moderate chiral inductions for the reaction of diazoacetate with styrene. The different catalytic properties between ligand I and II in respect to their substituents R and R' (R = H, Me, Et, <sup>i</sup>Pr, SiMe<sub>3</sub>) will be discussed.



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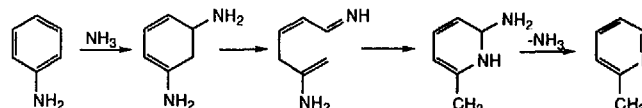
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## The Zeolite-catalysed Isomerisation of Anilines to Methyl-substituted Pyridines

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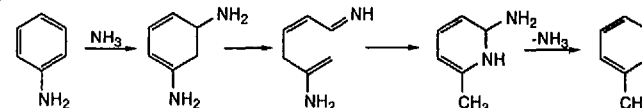
Some years ago it was discovered (European Patent no. 0082613 (1982), German Patent no. 3332687 (1983)) that aniline could be isomerised to 2-methylpyridine and m-diaminobenzene to 2-methyl-6-amino-pyridine and 2-methyl-4-amino-pyridine when these reactants were heated under high ammonia pressure in the presence of acid catalysts. We have studied the scope and mechanism of these intriguing reactions, which could be of interest for the synthesis of pharmaceutical and agrochemical intermediates.



Rather severe conditions are required for the isomerisation of aniline, with optimum results around 300°C and 100 atm NH<sub>3</sub>. A high NH<sub>3</sub> pressure was absolutely required, pyridine formation took only place in the presence of NH<sub>3</sub>. Although many acid materials (zeolites, Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, FeCl<sub>3</sub>, NH<sub>4</sub>Cl) catalysed the reactions, zeolites and especially H-ZSM-5 performed best, because of less (fast) deactivation.

All arylamines studied (aniline, toluidines, naphthylamines and anthracylamines) showed the conversion into a methyl substituted azaromatic system. For instance, methyl-isoquinolines were produced from naphthylamines. In all cases, the methyl group in the product was positioned ortho to the nitrogen atom in the aromatic ring.

A mechanism which explains the results goes via addition of NH<sub>3</sub> to the aromatic ring, ring opening, reorientation, ring closure and ammonia elimination.



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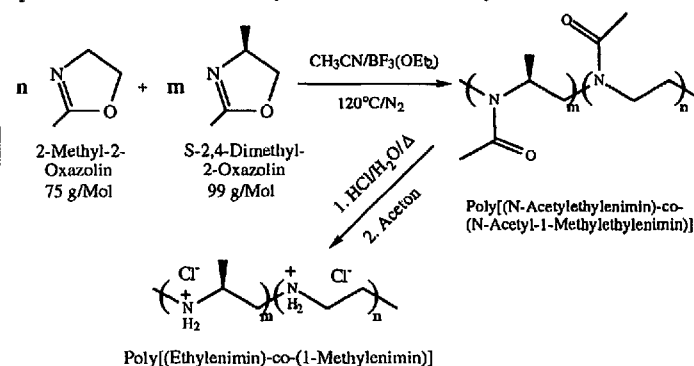
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## Komplexe mit optisch aktiven Polyimininen

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Polymere mit verschiedenen Verhältnissen an 2-Methyl-2-oxazolin und dem optisch aktiven S-2,4-Dimethyl-2-oxazolin wurden synthetisiert.



Die jeweiligen Molekulargewichte der Polymere wurden mit Dampfdruckosmometrie ermittelt. Das Verhältnis der beiden Monomere im Polymer wurde mit der Elementaranalyse, der NMR-Spektroskopie und der Polarographie bestimmt.

Durch Metalltitration mit Nickel wurde versucht festzustellen, ob sich das Metallion statistisch über das ganze Polymer verteilt anlagert. Bei pH= 7,7 bildet sich ein NiN<sub>6</sub>-Komplex, bei pH= 4,5 ein NiN<sub>4</sub>(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>-Komplex. Deshalb wurden die verschiedenen Polymere bei konstantem pH-Wert titriert. Die Titrations wurden mittels UV/VIS- und CD-Spektroskopie verfolgt. Es wurde beobachtet, dass bei kleinem Anteil an S-2,4-Dimethyl-2-oxazolin im Polymer die Intensitäten im CD-Spektrum langsamer ansteigen als erwartet. D.h., bei geringem Anteil von S-2,4-Dimethyl-2-oxazolin bildet sich am Anfang bevorzugt Komplexe mit optisch inaktiven Abschnitten des Polymers. Die sterisch anspruchsvollere Umgebung der chiralen Zentren wird erst bei höheren Konzentrationen besetzt.

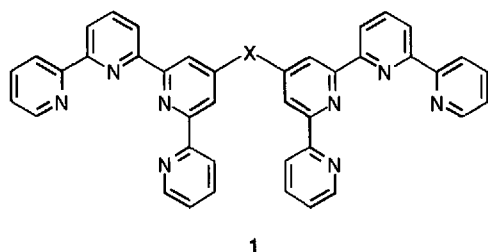
**Oligopyridine metal-binding domains for helicates and cyclometallates**

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The higher oligopyridines and related oligoheteroaryls have proved to be versatile ligands for the assembly of helicates. Recent results on new ligands in which the oligopyridine metal-binding domains are separated in a variety of ways (e.g. 1) will be presented.

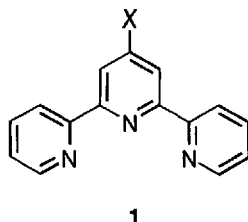
Related studies on a series of ligands in which some of the nitrogen donor heterocycles in the oligopyridine have been replaced by sulfur donor thiophenes or cyclometallating phenyl or phenylene groups will also be reported.



New multinuclear complexes in which several helical motifs are covalently linked will be described, as will some novel self-assembly processes.

E.C. Constable, *Prog. Inorg. Chem.*, 1994, 42, 67-138**Functionalised 2,2':6',2''-Terpyridines as building blocks in metallosupramolecular chemistry**D. Armspach, E.C. Constable, R.-A. Fallahpour, P. Harveson, C.E. Housecroft, T. Kulke, D. Morris, M. Oberholzer, A. Schneider and D. Smith  
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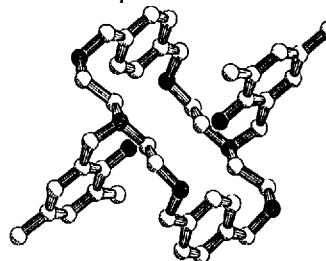
Substituted 2,2':6',2''-terpyridines have proved to be ideal building blocks for the assembly of metallosupramolecular systems based. The  $\{M(\text{tpy})_2\}$  motif allows the assembly of a variety of functionalised oligomeric, polymeric and dendritic systems.



A variety of functionalised ligands will be presented which, *inter alia*, incorporate clusters, hydrogen-bond donors and acceptors, molecular recognition sites, chiral functionality, additional metal-binding domains and solubilising groups. The use of such ligands and of metal-directed reactions in the assembly of dendrimers will be illustrated.

E.C. Constable, in *Transition Metals in Supramolecular Chemistry*, Eds. L. Fabbri and A. Poggi, Kluwer, Dordrecht, 1994, 81-100**MODELLING OF THE TYROSINASE AND PHOSPHATASE ACTIVE SITES BY  $N_6O_2$ -MACROCYCLIC COMPLEXES**Peter Comba<sup>a</sup>, Dave T. Richens<sup>b</sup>, Andreas Kühner<sup>a</sup><sup>a</sup>Anorganisch-Chemisches Institut der Universität Heidelberg, 503 D-69120 Heidelberg, Germany<sup>b</sup>Dept. of Inorganic Chemistry, University St. Andrews, Scotland, UK

Our ligand system should be capable of imitating the active sites of tyrosinase (copper enzyme) and PAP (iron enzyme). We have already shown, that the  $N_3O$ - $Fe^{3+}$ -complexes are appropriate spectroscopic models. A four step synthesis via amine protection and Mannich reaction leads to the

 **$N_6O_2$ -pendant arm macrocycle.**

The metal-metal distances can be varied by using terephthalaldehyde, isophthalaldehyde and different alkyl chains as spacers. Our first aim is to model the typical absorption band of purple acid phosphatase (catalytic inactive  $Fe^{3+}$ - $Fe^{2+}$ -form  $\lambda_{max} = 550$  nm, active  $Fe^{3+}$ - $Fe^{2+}$ -form at  $\lambda_{max} = 505$  nm)<sup>1</sup>. Secondly, we intend to determine the solution structures of the  $Cu^{2+}$ -systems using the MM-EPR-approach and to carry out some activity studies.<sup>2</sup>

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Recently Mobil Oil Company described a new family of mesoporous molecular sieves. One of the materials, MCM-41, exhibits a hexagonal arrangement of uniform pores. As an organic template for the synthesis of the aluminosilicate serves a liquid crystal structure of the surfactant Cetyltrimethylammonium chloride/hydroxide. The material is a breakthrough in Zeolite chemistry as it expands the range of pore size to 25 Å (or even higher).

MCM-41 can be synthesized similar to zeolites. A gel of the composition:  $SiO_2 : 0.013 Al_2O_3 : 0.016 Na_2O : 0.083 (CTMA)_2O : 0.14 (TMA)_2O : 19 H_2O$  was placed in a teflon bottle at 70°C for 14 days without agitation. Afterwards the material it was calcined at 540°C for 6 hours in a flow of air to remove the organic template.

X-ray diffraction patterns show clearly the typical peaks of an MCM-41 material. The four peaks can easily be indexed to a hexagonal cell. For the as synthesised material the strongest peak is at a distance  $d_0$  of  $\approx 43$  Å.

Surface area was determined by nitrogen adsorption. The BET surface area of the material is 1020  $m^2/g$ . The sharp step of the isotherm and the narrow pore size distribution show clearly the uniformity of the pores.

Magic angle spinning NMR of  $^{27}Al$  nuclei were recorded. The spectrum showed a single peak at a shift of 51 ppm. This indicates that all of the detectable aluminium is in a tetrahedral coordination.

As a test reaction for the catalytic activity of H-MCM-41 the Friedel-Crafts acylation of 2-methoxy-naphthalene with acetic anhydride was investigated. Reactions were run in batch reactors at a temperature of 100°C in Sulfolane as the solvent. Conversion to 1-acetyl-2-methoxynaphthalene was 38 % after four hours reaction time. The selectivity towards 1-acetyl-2-methoxynaphthalene was 95%.

The catalyst performance can be compared to zeolite Beta. This encourages further application of MCM-41 as a mild acidic catalyst for organic reactions.

### The Effect of Phosphorus on the Hydrodenitrogenation of Quinoline over NiMoP/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> Catalysts

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Hydrodenitrogenation (HDN) is one of the most important industrial processes in petroleum refinery. It removes nitrogen from oil distillates which pollutes our air when the oil is burned (as NO<sub>x</sub>) and which poisons the subsequent refining processes when the oil is further processed. Because of the increasing demand of clear fuel and refining of heavy crudes in recent years, the importance of hydrodenitrogenation has been greatly enhanced since the last decade. The development new HDN catalysts which makes the HDN process more efficient is therefore under pressure.

In the present study, the function of phosphorus in the HDN reaction of quinoline has been studied over NiMoP/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> catalysts. It is found that HDN of quinoline takes place mainly through two reaction paths over the catalysts: C-N bond breaking of the saturated intermediate DHQ→HC and C-N bond breaking of aromatic intermediates THQ-1→OPA→HC (Fig. 1). The relative contributions of these two reaction mechanisms depend on the reaction conditions and the catalyst employed. Presence of phosphorus in the catalyst favours the reaction through OPA, while the presence of H<sub>2</sub>S in the reaction stream favours the reaction path through DHQ. In the former reaction path phosphorus exhibits a promotional effect while in the later reaction path phosphorus exhibits an inhibiting effect on the HDN conversion.

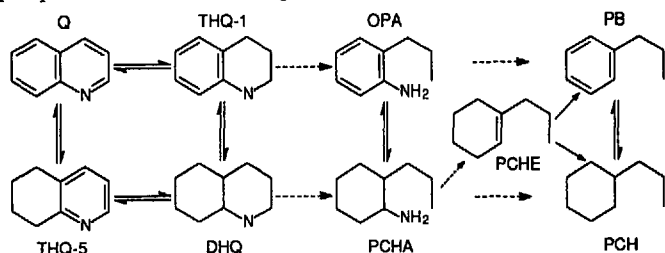
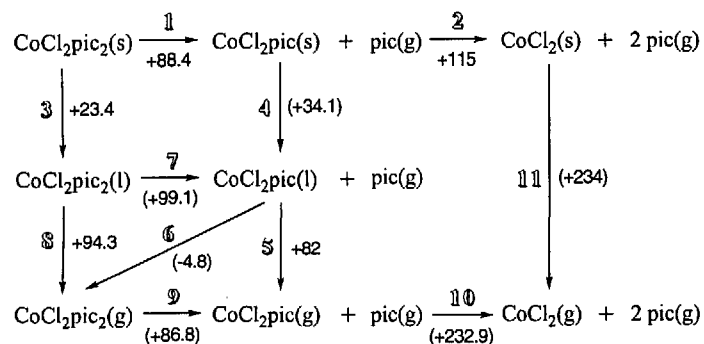


Fig. 1 HDN reaction network of quinoline

### Etude du cycle thermodynamique des complexes de chlorure de cobalt(II) avec la 4-picoline

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De récentes analyses ont montré que CoCl<sub>2</sub> est parfaitement volatil dans la pyridine gazeuse. L'étude de la formation de complexes dans un tel système permet d'éviter les effets de la solvation rencontrés en phase condensée et d'estimer ainsi les énergies des interactions métal-ligand. Dans le cadre de ce travail, nous avons étudié la formation de complexes de CoCl<sub>2</sub> avec pic (4-picoline), une base plus forte que la pyridine conduisant donc à des complexes sensiblement plus stables. En combinant les résultats des mesures de spectroscopie VIS en phase gazeuse avec les valeurs de la littérature et les données issues des mesures thermogravimétriques de pression de vapeur, nous avons pu déterminer le cycle thermodynamique complet pour l'équilibre solide-liquide-gaz dans le système CoCl<sub>2</sub>-pic (valeurs en KJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>):

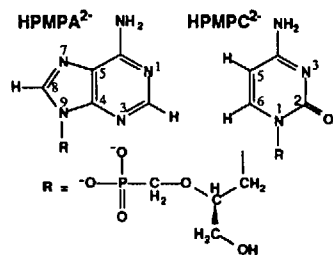


La mesure par spectroscopie VIS des constantes de formation de CoCl<sub>2</sub>(pic) et CoCl<sub>2</sub>(pic)<sub>2</sub> en solution nous a en outre permis de comparer la stabilité des complexes en phase gazeuse et en solution.

### Metal Ion-Coordinating Properties of Antiviral Adenine (HPMPA) and Cytosine (HPMPC) Phosphonate-Derivatives

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The nucleotide analogues (S)-9-[3-hydroxy-2-(phosphonomethoxy)propyl]-adenine and -cytosine are effective against DNA viruses, thus their metal ion-binding properties deserve attention [1]. Our preliminary stability constants determined via potentiometric pH titrations in aqueous solution (25°C; I = 0.1 M, NaNO<sub>3</sub>) for some of their complexes, M(P), are given in the Table. Based on previous log K<sub>M(R-PO<sub>3</sub>)<sup>II</sup></sub> vs pK<sub>a1</sub><sup>II</sup>(R-PO<sub>3</sub>) correlations (R = non-coordinating residue) [1] and pK<sub>a1</sub><sup>II</sup>(HPMPA) = 6.84 ± 0.01 [2] or pK<sub>a1</sub><sup>II</sup>(HPMPC) = 6.86 ± 0.01 the stability constant, log K<sub>M(P)<sup>op</sup></sub>, of the 'open' M(P) complex with only a -PO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>/M<sup>2+</sup> interaction, can be calculated. Any formation of (a) chelate(s) must be reflected in an increased complex stability, i.e. log Δ<sub>M(P)</sub> = log K<sub>M(P)</sub> - log K<sub>M(P)<sup>op</sup></sub> must be positive. These values and results for M(PME) complexes (PME<sup>2-</sup> = CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>-O-CH<sub>2</sub>-PO<sub>3</sub><sup>2-</sup>) [1] (columns 4-6) prove that five-membered chelates involving the ether oxygen form and that in Cu(HPMPA) also a metal ion-adenine interaction must occur.



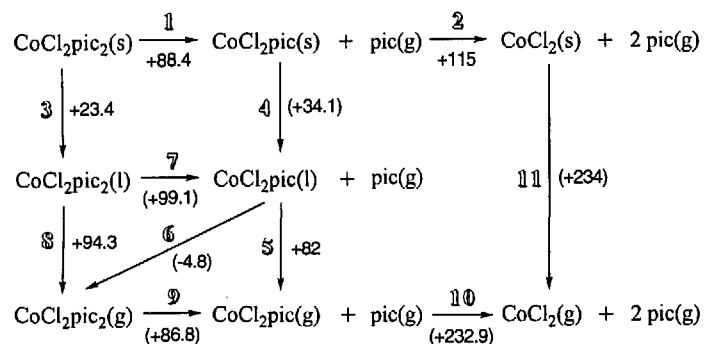
M <sup>2+</sup>	log K <sub>M(HPMPA)</sub> <sup>M</sup>	log K <sub>M(HPMPC)</sub> <sup>M</sup>	log Δ <sub>M(HPMPA)</sub>	log Δ <sub>M(HPMPC)</sub>	log Δ <sub>M(PME)</sub>
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	1.81±0.03	1.83±0.04	0.12±0.04	0.13±0.05	0.22±0.03
Co <sup>2+</sup>	2.35±0.03	2.29±0.07	0.27±0.07	0.21±0.09	0.29±0.06
Cu <sup>2+</sup>	4.04±0.03	3.69±0.05	0.87±0.07	0.52±0.08	0.48±0.07
Zn <sup>2+</sup>	2.73±0.10	2.60±0.06	0.39±0.12	0.25±0.08	0.34±0.06
Cd <sup>2+</sup>	3.01±0.03	2.92±0.06	0.36±0.06	0.26±0.08	0.30±0.05

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### Etude du cycle thermodynamique des complexes de chlorure de cobalt(II) avec la 4-picoline

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De récentes analyses ont montré que CoCl<sub>2</sub> est parfaitement volatil dans la pyridine gazeuse. L'étude de la formation de complexes dans un tel système permet d'éviter les effets de la solvation rencontrés en phase condensée et d'estimer ainsi les énergies des interactions métal-ligand. Dans le cadre de ce travail, nous avons étudié la formation de complexes de CoCl<sub>2</sub> avec pic (4-picoline), une base plus forte que la pyridine conduisant donc à des complexes sensiblement plus stables. En combinant les résultats des mesures de spectroscopie VIS en phase gazeuse avec les valeurs de la littérature et les données issues des mesures thermogravimétriques de pression de vapeur, nous avons pu déterminer le cycle thermodynamique complet pour l'équilibre solide-liquide-gaz dans le système CoCl<sub>2</sub>-pic (valeurs en KJ·mol<sup>-1</sup>):

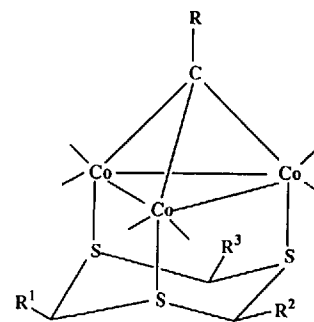


La mesure par spectroscopie VIS des constantes de formation de CoCl<sub>2</sub>(pic) et CoCl<sub>2</sub>(pic)<sub>2</sub> en solution nous a en outre permis de comparer la stabilité des complexes en phase gazeuse et en solution.

### Coordination of Tridentate Crown Thioethers to Trinuclear Cobalt Clusters: Synthesis and Structure of Complexes of the Type Co<sub>3</sub>(CO)<sub>6</sub>(μ<sub>3</sub>-CR)[μ<sub>3</sub>-η<sup>3</sup>-(SCHR<sup>1</sup>SCHR<sup>2</sup>SCHR<sup>3</sup>)]

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The coordination of different six-membered crown thioethers to the cobalt skeleton of various Co<sub>3</sub>C clusters always occur in the axial sites of the three cobalt atoms with preservation of the chair geometry of the non-coordinated ligands.



It is known that crown thioethers coordinate more strongly to metals than simple thioethers and the new clusters synthesised appear to be unusually stable.

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## Highly Dispersed and Mesoporous Vanadia-Silica Mixed Oxides

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The excellent activities in the epoxidation of bulky olefins by the use of titania-silica low-temperature aerogels prompted us to extend our studies to other silica-based mixed oxides. Silica-supported vanadia, vanadia-silica xerogels, and vanadium-containing silicalites (VS-1, VS-2) have been shown to possess interesting catalytic properties. However, xerogels and V-silicalites suffer from the small pores restricting the access of large organic reactants to the internal surface and thus impeding the use for fine chemical synthesis.

The vanadia-silica mixed oxides were prepared via the sol-gel method involving acid-catalysis together with prehydrolysis in order to achieve matching of the reactivities of vanadium(V) oxide triisopropoxide and tetraethoxysilicon(IV) precursor. Gelation was forced by the addition of basic solution. The as-received gels were either supercritically dried by semicontinuous extraction with supercritical CO<sub>2</sub> at 313 K (low-temperature aerogels) or direct removal of the ethanolic solvent at 533 K, i.e., above its critical point, (high-temperature aerogels) or evaporatively dried at ambient temperature (xerogels). The effects of composition, aging, drying procedure, and calcination temperature on the chemical, structural, and textural properties of the solids were investigated. The oxides were characterized by N<sub>2</sub>-physisorption, XRD, vibrational spectroscopy, thermal analysis, UV-Vis, <sup>51</sup>V-NMR, and XPS.

The low-temperature vanadia-silica aerogels were mesoporous and highly disperse. The increasing V-content from 5 to 20 wt% nominal V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub> caused a gradual decline in V-dispersion. For 30 wt% "V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>" the continuous formation of V-O-V connectivity resulted in crystallisation of V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>. The effect of aging in basic medium confined to the textural properties, significantly increasing BET surface area and especially pore volume. The high-temperature aerogel with 10 wt% "V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>" was meso- to macroporous and X-ray amorphous but contained significant V-O-V connectivity, indicative of the high drying temperature used. Calcination at ≥ 673 K led to crystalline V<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>. The related xerogel possessed similar V-dispersion as the corresponding low-temperature aerogel but was microporous. In general, aero- and xerogels revealed a marked lack of stability against both apolar solvents in the presence of peroxides and polar solvents. In the case of low-temperature aerogels, however, the marked thermal stability in air at ≤ 873 K, combined with mesoporosity and high V-dispersion, rendered these solids most advantageous for fine chemical syntheses in gas phase.

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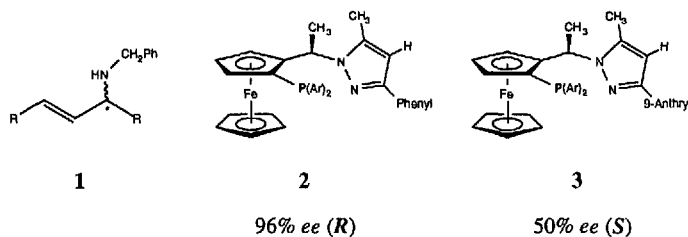
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## Palladium-katalysierte asymmetrische allylische Aminierung mit neuen Pyrazolyl-haltigen Ferrocenylliganden

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Wir berichten hier über die Anwendung neuer pyrazolhaltiger Ferrocenylphosphine in der Palladium-katalysierten allylischen Aminierung. Produkte des Typs **1** werden mit hoher Enantioselektivität erhalten (bis 96% ee). Die Ligandsynthese erlaubt die einfache Einführung verschiedener Substituenten sowohl am Pyrazolring als auch am Phosphin. Dadurch kann der Ligand in elektronischer und in sterischer Hinsicht massgeschneidert werden [1].



Aus elektronischen Gründen erfolgt der nucleophile Angriff am koordinierten Allylsystem *trans* zum Phosphor. Für einen hohen Enantiomerenüberschuss im gebildeten Produkt ist entscheidend, dass die Konfiguration der Allyleinheit möglichst starr fixiert bleibt. Dies wird durch die Substituenten R<sup>3</sup> und R<sup>5</sup> am Pyrazolring erreicht. Deren Form bestimmt, welche Konfiguration das Allylsystem bevorzugt einnimmt und in welche Richtung somit die Enantioselektivität verläuft. Die Liganden **2** und **3** illustrieren diesen Sachverhalt eindrucklich.

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Formation and Reactivity of Pd-C Solid Solution in the Reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with H<sub>2</sub> over Supported Palladium Catalysts

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Recently we have shown that upon exposure of supported palladium catalysts to pure carbon monoxide at 180°C disproportionation of CO (Boudouard reaction) occurs with subsequent incorporation of carbon into the palladium lattice [1,2]. In the present work we focus on the formation and reactivity of interstitial carbon and the role of the Pd-C phase during carbon dioxide hydrogenation to methane over Pd supported on Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, ZrO<sub>2</sub>, TiO<sub>2</sub> and SiO<sub>2</sub>.

The experimental studies show that methane formation strongly depends on the kind of support material. The temperature of the beginning of CH<sub>4</sub> production changes from 260°C for the most active Pd/ZrO<sub>2</sub> to 400°C for the least active Pd/SiO<sub>2</sub>. The activities of supported Pd catalysts for methane formation, characterised as the temperature onset of its formation, are comparable to the sequence of temperatures of carbon incorporation into Pd during CO disproportionation, which increases in the order ZrO<sub>2</sub><TiO<sub>2</sub><Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub><SiO<sub>2</sub>.

The carbon incorporated into the Pd lattice was found to be very active. Reaction of Pd-C with hydrogen to form CH<sub>4</sub> starts already at ca. 170°C and reaches its maximum rate at ca. 260°C, independently of the support material. Graphitic carbon deposited on the surface of the catalysts reacts with hydrogen at markedly higher temperatures in the range 600-700°C.

The findings indicate that low temperature methane formation during CO<sub>2</sub> hydrogenation occurs via formation and subsequent reaction of interstitial carbon with hydrogen. The reaction is strongly influenced by the ability of the supported palladium to incorporate carbon.

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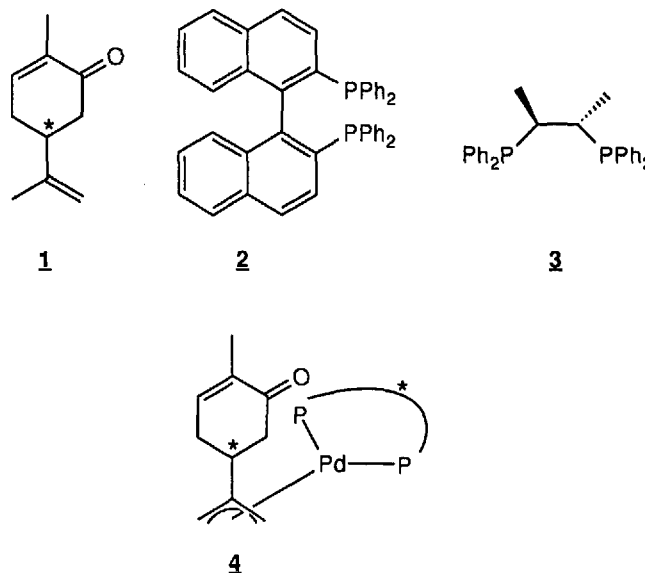
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## Mehrdimensionale NMR-Studien an Palladium-Carvon-Komplexen - Neue Allylchemie -

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Mit dem Di-Terpen Carvon **1** und den chiralen Phosphin-Liganden BINAP **2** und Chiraphos **3** wurden neuartige Palladium-π-Allyl-Komplexe des Typs **4** synthetisiert und charakterisiert. Mit dem Carvon-π-Allyl-System lassen sich über Studien mit multinuklearer NMR-Spektroskopie Aussagen über die Natur der chiralen Umgebung des Phosphins, Struktur und Dynamik des Komplexes machen.





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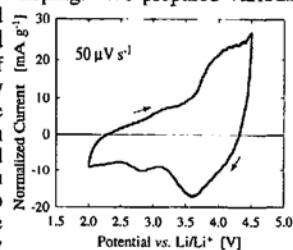
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**Investigations of the Li-Ni-Mn-O-System using Low Temperature Synthetic Routes towards Novel Lithium Insertion Electrode Materials**Michael E. Spahr<sup>a,b</sup>, Petr Novák<sup>a</sup>, Otto Haas<sup>a</sup>, and Reinhard Nesper<sup>b</sup><sup>a</sup> Paul Scherrer Institut, Sektion Elektrochemie, CH-5232 Villigen PSI<sup>b</sup> Laboratorium für Anorganische Chemie, ETH-Zentrum, CH-8092 Zürich

Recently, metal doped and undoped LiNiO<sub>2</sub> have been discussed as a substitute for LiCoO<sub>2</sub> as the cathode material in secondary ion-transfer battery systems. Since nickel is more abundant, cheaper, and possibly less toxic than cobalt, it has advantages from an economical and ecological point of view. However, using classical solid state synthetic routes, the incomplete oxidation of Ni<sup>2+</sup> to Ni<sup>3+</sup> leads, in contrast to LiCoO<sub>2</sub>, to non-stoichiometric Li<sub>1-x</sub>Ni<sub>1+x</sub>O<sub>2</sub> compounds (0 < x < 0.4). During electrochemical cycling of such electrode materials, the Ni<sup>2+</sup> impurities segregate, both in the lithium-rich and nickel-rich layers. This process leads to a frustration of the layered structure and a capacity drop of the oxide electrode.

In order to improve the electrode performance of LiNiO<sub>2</sub>, we tried a low temperature synthetic route and manganese doping. We prepared various LiNi<sub>1-y</sub>Mn<sub>y</sub>O<sub>2+z</sub> samples (0 < y < 1) and tested them electrochemically.

Coprecipitated Ni<sup>III</sup> and Mn<sup>IV</sup> oxide-hydroxides of different compositions were prepared by adding a solution of the appropriate divalent metal nitrates in water to an aqueous Br<sub>2</sub>/KOH solution. The filtered and washed precipitates were mixed with lithium hydroxide and heated at 450 °C to get a poorly crystalline material. The obtained LiNi<sub>1-y</sub>Mn<sub>y</sub>O<sub>2+z</sub> samples allow reversible deinsertion/insertion of lithium ions in electrochemical cells with organic, ethylene carbonate based electrolytes. Specific charges of up to 170 Ah kg<sup>-1</sup> (referred to the active oxide) could be demonstrated using the potential range between 4.3 V to 2.0 V vs. Li/Li<sup>+</sup> and 1.5 M LiPF<sub>6</sub> in ethylene carbonate/dimethyl carbonate (1:2 by weight) as an electrolyte (see the inserted figure). A specific charge of 150 Ah kg<sup>-1</sup> could be stabilized for ten charge/discharge cycles.



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**Catalytic Dehydrogenation of Iminodibenzyl to Iminostilbene over Potassium-promoted Iron Oxides**A. Knell<sup>a</sup>, M. Maciejewski<sup>a</sup>, D. Monti<sup>b</sup> and A. Baiker<sup>a</sup><sup>a</sup> Laboratorium für Technische Chemie, ETH-Zentrum, CH-8092 Zürich<sup>b</sup> Ciba, Pharmazeutische Abteilung, CH-4002 Basel

The dehydrogenation of iminodibenzyl to iminostilbene has been investigated over potassium-promoted iron oxide catalysts in the presence of steam. The reaction was performed at 550-600°C and steam/iminodibenzyl ratios of 50-300 mol/mol. Under the conditions used, selectivities to iminostilbene up to 80% at nearly 100% iminodibenzyl conversion were achieved. Beside iminostilbene, 9-methylacridine and acridine were detected as major side products.

The reaction behaviour was strongly influenced by the steam/iminodibenzyl ratio in the feed. Both selectivity to iminostilbene and the conversion of iminodibenzyl was increased with higher steam/iminodibenzyl ratios. The addition of steam shifts the equilibrium towards the product side and suppresses non catalytic, unselective reactions resulting in an increase of the iminostilbene selectivity. The activity of the catalyst was found to be strongly influenced by the oxidation state of iron and the amount of carbon deposits on the catalyst surface. Dilution of the iminodibenzyl feed by steam prevents reduction of the active iron oxide phase and reduces drastically the deposition of carbon.

Promotion of iron oxides with 0.5 wt% potassium increases the activity of the catalysts. Potassium improves the reducibility of iron oxides and results in an apparent increase of the number of active sites for the dehydrogenation of iminodibenzyl.

Potassium carbonate and magnetite represent the main phases under reaction conditions in the presence of steam and are proposed as the active phases in the dehydrogenation. Gasification of carbonaceous deposits by steam leads to the formation of carbon dioxide and potassium carbonate under normal reaction conditions.

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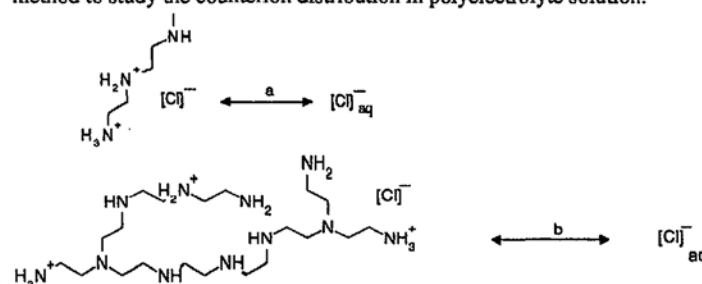
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**Counterion condensation of chloride ions in Polyethyleneimine solutions. Studied by <sup>37</sup>Cl- and <sup>35</sup>Cl-NMR**

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Poly(ethyleneimine) is a typical polymeric amine which exists in a linear (LPEI), a branched (BPEI) structure. In acid solution the polymer is partially protonated forming a polyelectrolyte. The charge density is controlled by the degree of protonation. NMR of quadrupolar ions is a useful method to study the counterion distribution in polyelectrolyte solution.



a) Relaxation of <sup>37</sup>Cl and <sup>35</sup>Cl in LPEI solutions: The relaxation rates increase with increasing degree of protonation (α). The ratio of the transverse relaxation rates of the two chloride isotopes shows, that dynamic processes contribute to the observed changes in the relaxation rates. The comparison of the calculated correlation time (τ<sub>c</sub>) and the viscosity of the solution indicates that the molecular reorientation of the polyelectrolyte is responsible for the observed changes of the relaxation rates.

b) Relaxation of <sup>35</sup>Cl in BPEI solutions: The relaxation rates increase with increasing α. Measurements of R<sub>1</sub> and R<sub>2</sub> show that the relaxation is dominated by quadrupolar relaxation.

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**Thermogravimetric/Mass-Spectrometric Studies and Reactivity of Heteropoly Acid**

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Among various Heteropoly Acids (HPAs) the Keggin-anion [Mo<sub>12</sub>O<sub>36</sub>(PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>)]<sup>n-</sup> is known since 1826 (*Berzelius*) and used as the "heteropoly blue" in colorimetric determination of PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>. We are investigating the structurally related enlarged Keggin-type anion [V<sub>18</sub>O<sub>42</sub>(X)]<sup>n-</sup> (X=SO<sub>4</sub><sup>2-</sup>, PO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>, VO<sub>4</sub><sup>3-</sup>, a.o.) as selective gas adsorbent and catalytically active compounds. The structural aspects, the electronic and magnetic properties of these mixed valence V<sup>IV</sup>/V<sup>V</sup> clusters are reported elsewhere [1, 2].

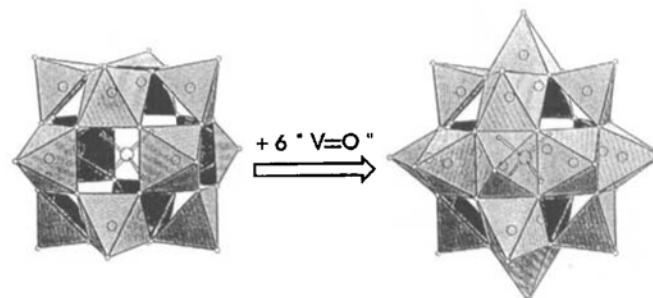


Fig. 1: Structural relationship between the hypothetical [V<sub>12</sub>O<sub>36</sub>(X)]<sup>m-</sup>-Keggin-type anion and the [V<sub>18</sub>O<sub>42</sub>(X)]<sup>n-</sup> cluster-type; each V exhibits a square-pyramidal coordination polyhedron.

The thermal stability of these compounds is caused by the central building unit X. The dehydration of these water rich compounds (Weight loss between 15 up to 20%) proceeds slowly over a wide temperature range. In air, an increase of weight was observed above 500°C, which is probably the effect of an oxidation of the V<sup>IV</sup>; under an inert atmosphere, no such behaviour was observed.

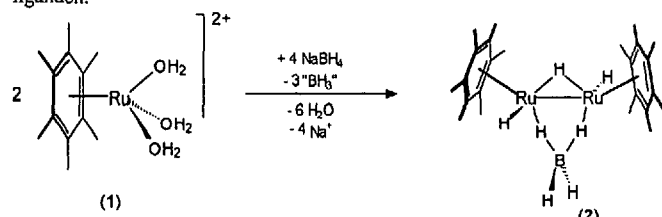
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$[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{Me}_6)\text{RuH}]_2(\mu_2\text{-H})(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2\text{-BH}_4)$  - Ein Komplex mit ungewöhnlicher  $\eta^2$ -verbrückender Koordinationsweise des Boranato-liganden.

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Die Umsetzung einer wässrigen Lösung von  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{Me}_6)\text{Ru}(\text{H}_2\text{O})_3][\text{SO}_4]$  (1) mit einem Überschuß an festem  $\text{NaBH}_4$  liefert  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{Me}_6)\text{RuH}]_2(\mu_2\text{-H})(\mu_2\text{-}\eta^2\text{-BH}_4)$  (2). Dieser ist der zweite bekannte Komplex mit der ungewöhnlichen  $\eta^2$ -verbrückenden Koordinationsweise des Boranato-liganden.



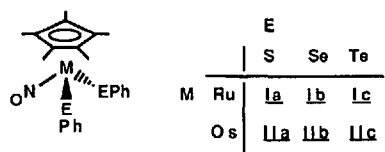
Die Umsetzung von 1 mit 1.5 Äquivalenten einer wässrigen Lösung von  $\text{NaBH}_4$  liefert dagegen den kationischen Komplex  $[(\eta^6\text{-C}_6\text{Me}_6)_2\text{Ru}_2(\mu\text{-H})_3]^+$ , der als Hexafluorophosphat (3) ausgefällt werden kann. Umsetzung von 3 mit einem Äquivalent  $\text{NaBH}_4$  in THF ergibt ebenfalls den Boranato-komplex 2.

Verbindung 2 wurde vollständig charakterisiert. Die Struktur des Komplexes wurde durch eine Einkristallstrukturanalyse aufgeklärt. Die temperatur-abhängigen  $^1\text{H-NMR}$ -Spektren zeigen, daß die drei Hydridoliganden einerseits und die Wasserstoffatome der  $\text{BH}_4$ -Gruppe andererseits einem intramolekularen Austausch unterliegen.

**Heterodimetallic Complexes Derived from  $\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{NO})(\text{EPh})_2$**   
( $\text{M} = \text{Ru}, \text{Os}$ ;  $\text{E} = \text{S}, \text{Se}, \text{Te}$ )

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The new halfsandwich ruthenium and osmium dichalcogenolato complexes  $\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{NO})(\text{EPh})_2$  ( $\text{Cp}^* = \eta^5\text{-C}_5\text{Me}_5$ ;  $\text{M} = \text{Ru}, \text{Os}$ ;  $\text{E} = \text{S}, \text{Se}, \text{Te}$ ) have been synthesized from the reaction of  $\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{NO})\text{X}_2$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Ru}$ :  $\text{X} = \text{Cl}$ ,  $\text{M} = \text{Os}$ :  $\text{X} = \text{Br}$ ) with the chalcogenides  $\text{PhELi}$ .



These new dichalcogenolato complexes can act as bidentate chelating ligands towards low-valent transition metals, yielding heterodi- or trimetallic complexes with  $\mu$ -chalcogenolato bridges. Some reactions have been investigated:

Treating the halfsandwich starting compounds with  $(\text{nor-C}_7\text{H}_8)\text{M}'(\text{CO})_4$  ( $\text{M}' = \text{Cr}, \text{Mo}$ ) afforded dinuclear complexes of the type  $\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{NO})(\mu\text{-EPh})_2\text{M}'(\text{CO})_4$  ( $\text{M} = \text{Ru}, \text{Os}$ ;  $\text{E} = \text{S}, \text{Se}, \text{Te}$ ;  $\text{M}' = \text{Cr}, \text{Mo}$ ), which surprisingly further reacted to give trinuclear complexes of the type  $\text{MM}'\text{M}$ .

The reactions of Ia-c or IIa-c with  $[(\text{nor-C}_7\text{H}_8)\text{M}'\text{Cl}]_2$  ( $\text{M}' = \text{Rh}, \text{Ir}$ ) led to the neutral, heterodinuclear complexes  $\text{Cp}^*\text{M}'(\text{NO})(\mu\text{-EPh})_2\text{M}'(\text{Cl})(\text{nor-C}_7\text{H}_8)$ , which could be further dehalogenated in the presence of  $\text{AgBF}_4$  to give the stable salts  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{M}(\text{NO})(\mu\text{-EPh})_2\text{M}'(\text{nor-C}_7\text{H}_8)]^+\text{BF}_4^-$ .

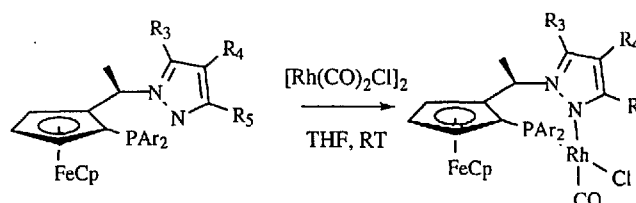
All new complexes were isolated as crystalline solids and were characterized by their infrared, mass and NMR spectra. Some crystal structure determinations have also been carried out.

**Elektronische Effekte in der asymmetrischen Katalyse und ihre Einflüsse auf die Rhodium-Carbonyl-Bindung**

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In der asymmetrischen Hydroborierung von Styrol mit pyrazolylhaltigen Ferrocenylliganden konnten starke elektronische Effekte beobachtet werden [1]. Diese Einflüsse untersuchte man nun anhand von Rhodium-Carbonyl-Komplexen. Anhand der CO-Streckschwingung in solchen Komplexen können Aussagen darüber gemacht werden, wie stark der Stickstoffdonor an das Rhodium bindet und welchen Einfluss er auf den *trans*-ständigen Liganden ausübt [2].



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**Effect of metal oxide additives on the CO hydrogenation over Rh/SiO<sub>2</sub> and Pd/SiO<sub>2</sub>**

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The interest in the CO hydrogenation is not only due to its high potential industrial applications, but also to the amazing academic challenges. Methane, higher hydrocarbons, methanol, ethanol and other oxo compounds belong to the wide product distribution, which is affected by the choice of the active metal, catalyst support, promoters, catalyst pretreatment and reaction conditions.

The elementary steps in the catalysed conversion of synthesis gas still need more explanations. Whereas the model in which, after dissociative adsorption of H<sub>2</sub> and CO, the formed surface CH<sub>x</sub> fragments build hydrocarbons, as well as higher oxygenated compounds through CO insertion, is well accepted, the mechanism of the methanol formation and the nature of the catalytic sites are still debated.

Catalysts were prepared from ultra pure SiO<sub>2</sub>, Rh and Pd nitrates and chlorides, and by doping with alkali, alkaline earth and trivalent metal oxides. The activities and selectivities of the Pd and Rh catalysts were investigated in the CO hydrogenation at 553 K, H<sub>2</sub>/CO = 2 or 3, and 2.5 or 4 MPa, respectively.

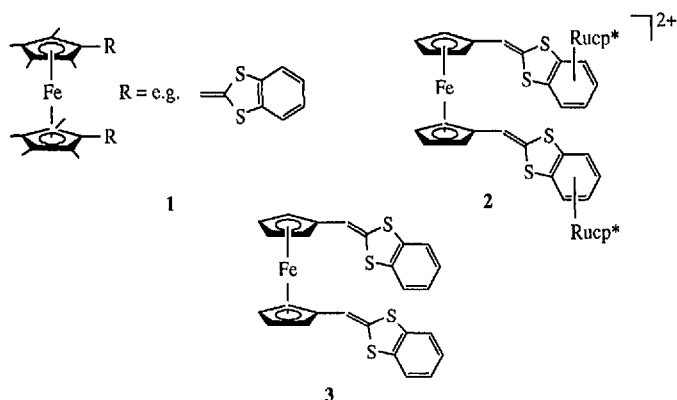
Among the tested systems, the alkali oxides promoted catalysts showed an important decrease of the total activity, probably due to the suppression of the CO dissociation. Those doped with basic oxides, as Ca, promoted the CO hydrogenation to methanol; this effect was attributed to the capacity of such catalysts to form formates and subsequently hydrogenate them to methoxy groups. The catalysts doped with acidic oxides, as Al, denoted a lower oxygenated product activity and an increase in the formation of higher hydrocarbons, as probable consequence of the acid catalysed hydrogenolysis of the oxygen containing compounds.

Because of the great interest and the controversial debate about the mechanism and the catalysis of the methanol formation, we focused our investigation on the effect of Ca doped Rh and Pd catalysts. By testing systems with different additive/noble-metal ratios, we found a clear correlation between Ca amount and methanol selectivity, whereas the total activity showed a more complicated dependence, which is the result of superposition of the exponential decrease of the hydrocarbons activity and the volcano-shaped increase of the methanol activity.

**Substituted Ferrocenes and Ruthenocenes as Donors for Charge-Transfer Complexes: Synthesis and Redox Properties.**

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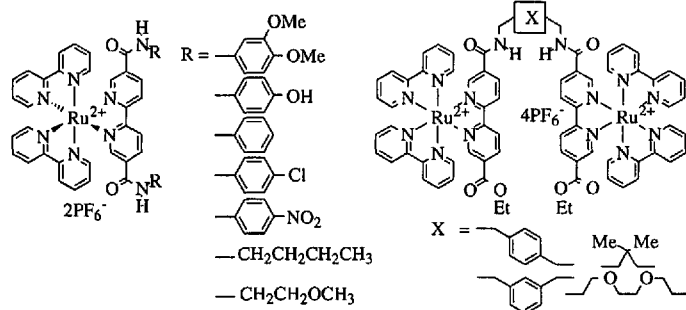
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The ferrocene derivatives **1** and **2** and their synthesis will be reported.The properties of compounds **1** and **2**, as compared to **3** [1] and their ability to form CT complexes with suitable electron-acceptors will be described.

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**Acyclic Anion Receptors Containing Ruthenium (II) Bipyridyl Complexes**Nicholas C. Fletcher,<sup>a</sup> Paul D. Beer,<sup>b</sup> Trevor J. Wear.<sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup>: Institute of Inorganic and Analytic Chemistry, University of Fribourg.  
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In recent reports we have described the importance of hydrogen bonding of an amide (CON-H) proton in anion recognition in a series of redox active complexes.<sup>1</sup> To extend these ideas further, a series of acyclic mono- and multi-centred ruthenium bipyridyl complexes were prepared containing secondary amide functions. Ruthenium (II) bipyridyl groups have well characterised redox and photo-chemical behaviour, which could provide a suitable method for the detection of bound species.



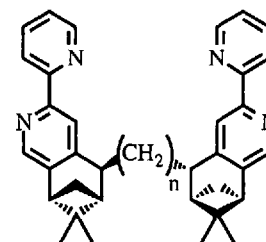
We illustrate the synthesis and characterisation of these complexes. Further we demonstrate their ability to coordinate anions by a variety of techniques, including <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectroscopy, cyclic voltammetry, and by photo-emission and absorption spectroscopy.

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**Stereoselective Synthesis of Bridged Binuclear Ruthenium(II) Bipyridyl Complexes**N.C. Fletcher,<sup>a</sup> F.R. Keene,<sup>b</sup> P. Belser,<sup>a</sup> A. von Zelewsky,<sup>a</sup> H. Stoeckli-Evans.<sup>c</sup><sup>a</sup>: Institute of Inorganic and Analytic Chemistry, University of Fribourg.<sup>b</sup>: Department of Molecular Sciences, James Cook University of North Queensland, Townsville, Queensland 4811, Australia.<sup>c</sup>: Institute of Chemistry, Neuchâtel, Avenue de Bellevaux 51, Neuchâtel.

Previously, the chiral bridging "chiragen" series of ligands have been reported (where  $n = 5, 6$  and  $7$ ).<sup>1</sup> Here, we illustrate the synthesis and characterisation of two analogous "chiragen" ligands, with smaller spacer groups ( $n = 0$  and  $3$ ), including an X-ray structure determination.

The "Chiragen" ligand

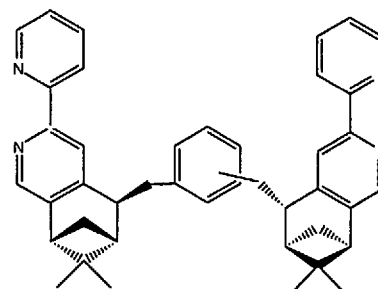
 $n = 0$  and  $3$ 

Using the previously described chiral building blocks;  $[\Delta\text{-Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{py})_2]^{2+}$  and  $[\Lambda\text{-Ru}(\text{bpy})_2(\text{py})_2]^{2+}$ ,<sup>2</sup> the optically pure  $\Delta\Delta$  and  $\Lambda\Lambda$  diastereomers of the di-ruthenium centred complexes of both these ligands have been prepared, and their physical properties investigated.

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**High yield synthesis of enantiomerically pure  $\text{Ru}(\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L}^{\wedge})\text{Cl}_2$  building blocks**Peter Belser, Hansruedi Mürner and Alex von Zelewsky  
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Defined and controlled stereochemistry at the metal centre(s) is a necessity for many areas of research in coordination chemistry. One possibility to predetermine the helicity at OC-6 centres are stereoselectively linked 4,5-pinenebipyridines [1]. With the tetradentate ligands of this family, only  $\Lambda$ - or  $\Delta$ - $\text{Ru}(\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L}^{\wedge})\text{Cl}_2$  complexes (depending on the starting pinene-antimer) are formed. The two remaining chlorine atoms are easily replaced with a large variety of other ligands.



Bridge: para-, meta-, ortho-Xylene

We report on the high yield synthesis and total characterization of  $\Delta$ - $\text{Ru}$ -(xylenebridged 4,5-pinenebipyridine) $\text{Cl}_2$ . Under high dilution in saturated LiCl solutions of MeOH, these chiral building blocks form in 70-90% yield. The dichloro complexes are stable at r.t. under dry conditions. The synthetic value of these building blocks is demonstrated by the preparation of several mononuclear  $\Delta$ - $[\text{Ru}(\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L}^{\wedge})(\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L})]^{2+}$  complexes ( $\text{L}^{\wedge}\text{L}$ : bipyridine-derivates).

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## Supramolecular Ru and/or Os-complexes of bisbipyridine ligands connected to a substituted anthracene unit

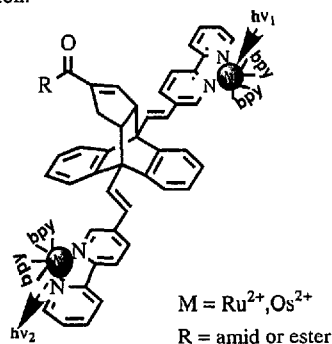
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Supramolecular systems in which photoinduced energy or electron transfer can take place are the basis of new photochemical systems [1]. These could be capable of performing well-defined light-induced functions, for example, switching in electronic devices.

To achieve this, there must be a functional part of the bridge able to undergo a reversible change, so that in one case energy or electron transfer is possible whilst not in the other case [2].

In this context we synthesized the system shown below, consisting of two bipyridines coordinated to separated metal centres, bridged by a 9,10-substituted anthracene moiety. The advantage of the system being the possibility to introduce synthetically, for example, a redox active group prior to complexation.



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## Acidification of the H(N-1) Site in 9-Ethylguanine (9-EtG) upon N-7 Coordination of Platinum(II)

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The interplay between nucleotides and metal ions in biology [1] and the fact that the anticancer drug Cisplatin, i.e. *cis*-[(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>PtCl<sub>2</sub>], exerts its action mainly via N-7 coordination to guanines of DNA [2], prompted us to use

9-EtG as a model ligand to evaluate the effect of N-7 coordination on the H(N-1) site, which is involved in hydrogen bonding in double stranded DNA. Our preliminary results determined by potentiometric pH titrations in aqueous solution are given in the Table. Deprotonation of the two H(N-1) sites in *cis*-[(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>Pt(9-EtG)<sub>2</sub>]<sup>2+</sup> occurs with pK<sub>a1</sub> = 8.02 and pK<sub>a2</sub> = 8.67; the difference of 0.65 is close to 0.6 expected statistically, indicating that the mutual influence of the two sites is small; in the *trans* compound this is different (see Table). The micro acidity constants for the two H(N-1) sites must be the average of the two macroconstants, i.e., pK<sub>II(N-1)</sub> = (8.02+8.67)/2 = 8.35 using the *cis* complex as example. This value serves to calculate the acidification, i.e. ΔpK<sub>a</sub>, as defined by Eq (1) (Table). The results show that N-7 coordination transfers H(N-1) into a better H donor site.

9-EtG or Complex	pK <sub>II(N-1)</sub>	ΔpK <sub>a</sub>
9-EtG	9.57±0.04	
<i>cis</i> -[(NH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Pt(9-EtG) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>2+</sup>	8.02±0.01/8.67±0.01	1.22±0.04
<i>trans</i> -[(CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Pt(9-EtG) <sub>2</sub> ] <sup>2+</sup>	8.01±0.01/8.81±0.01	1.16±0.04
<i>trans</i> -[(CH <sub>3</sub> NH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Pt(MeC)(9-EtG)] <sup>2+</sup>	8.12±0.01	1.45±0.04
Ni(9-EtG) <sup>2+</sup>	7.8 ±0.3	1.8 ±0.3

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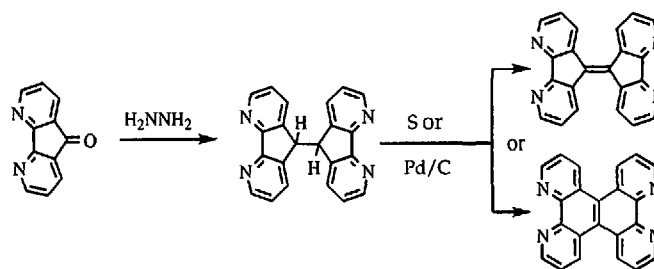
## Preparation of a symmetrical bridging ligand for the synthesis of polynuclear Ruthenium complexes

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Previously we have synthesized stereochemically well-defined chiral tetranuclear Ruthenium complexes: [Ru(Λ-Ru(bpym)(bpy)<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>](PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>8</sub> and [Os(Λ-Ru(bpym)(bpy)<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>](PF<sub>6</sub>)<sub>8</sub> from the [Ru(bpym)<sub>3</sub>]Cl<sub>2</sub> (bpym: 2,2'-bipyrimidine) and the chiral building block [Ru(bpy)<sub>2</sub>(py)<sub>2</sub>][(-)-dibenzoyl-L-tartrate] [1]. However in view of the disappointing yields, we have concluded that the 2,2'-bipyrimidine is a poor bridging ligand, the complexation of one side strongly reducing the coordination ability of the other [2].

Consequently we developed a symmetrical bridging ligand, the bis-(4,5-diazafluorenylidene) prepared by dehydrogenation of the 9,9'-bis-(4,5-diazafluorene) [3] with sulphur or Pd/C. This compound presents a larger distance between the two sites of complexation. Previously Newkome [4] has reported a preparation of this ligand, however our analyses disagree with those published. Consequently we will demonstrate whether the product has rearranged to the isomer tetrapyridonaphthalene.



We have synthesized several Ruthenium complexes from these ligand.

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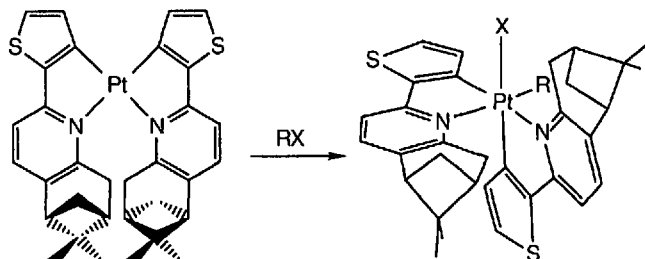
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Synthesis and Study of the Δ-cis-bis-[2-(2-thienyl)5,6-pinenepyrindine]platinum(II) Complex, Pt(th5,6ppy)<sub>2</sub>, and some of its Addition Compounds.

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A new ligand, 2-(2-thienyl)5,6-pinenepyrindine, has been prepared in good yield from (-)-α-pinene following methods published by E.D. Mihelich (1) F. Kipnis (2) and F. Kröhnke (3).

Complexation of this ligand to platinum gives a sterically hindered bis-homoleptic platinum complex, Pt(th5,6ppy)<sub>2</sub>, which shows an important distortion from the square planar geometry. A consequence of this deformation is that a Δ chirality is induced at the metal center. A complete characterization of Pt(th5,6ppy)<sub>2</sub> has been made, including an X-ray structure analysis.



Oxidative addition of Pt(th5,6ppy)<sub>2</sub> proceeds in a highly stereoselective way, leading to the formation of only one of the eleven possible isomers.

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## Structure and Magnetic Properties of Novel Ternary Compounds in the Barium-Europium-Silicon System

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Ternary alkali rare-earth silicides are magnetically diluted systems, in which not only novel silicon clusters can be found but also interesting distance dependant magnetical interactions. The distances of the magnetic centers can be tuned varying their dilution degree by the alkali/rare earth ratio. Similar ion radii of Ba<sup>2+</sup> and Eu<sup>2+</sup> and the relatively high magnetic moment of free Eu<sup>2+</sup> in its <sup>8</sup>S<sub>7/2</sub> ground state makes the Ba-Eu-Si system suitable to study in this respect.

Both, the binary BaSi and EuSi crystallize in the CrB-type structure in the space group Cmc<sub>2</sub>m (No. 63), in which the silicon atoms form planar one-dimensional zigzag chains  $_{n}[\text{Si}^{2+}]_n$ . In these binary compounds, the cations can successively be replaced forming solid solutions of the ternary compound Ba<sub>1-x</sub>Eu<sub>x</sub>Si with 0 < x < 1 and a statistical distribution of barium and europium atoms on the metal positions. Vegard's rule is not obeyed for the volumes which may point out a slight clustering of the europium atoms or at least a preferred stability of the ternary phases. Isotropic magnetic measurements of Ba<sub>1-x</sub>Eu<sub>x</sub>Si samples in a SQUID magnetometer show increasing ferromagnetic interactions of the magnetic centers with increasing europium content. For x > 0.5, an additional decrease of the magnetic moment with decreasing temperature can be observed in the lower temperature region indicating an antiferromagnetic coupling with a T<sub>N</sub> smaller than 30 K. However, this effect disappears in the case of the binary EuSi. Magnetization measurements give a magnetic saturation moment of about 7 μ<sub>B</sub> related to 1 Eu atom evidencing that the oxidation state of the europium atoms is +2 in all these compounds.

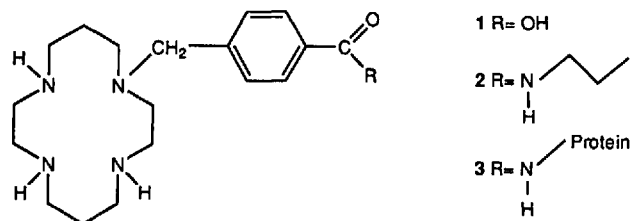
BaEu<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub> and Ba<sub>2</sub>Eu<sub>3</sub>Si<sub>7</sub> form new single phases in the ternary Ba-Eu-Si-system. BaEu<sub>2</sub>Si<sub>4</sub> crystallizes in the Ba<sub>3</sub>Si<sub>4</sub>-structure type in the space group P4<sub>2</sub>/mnm (No. 136) containing a Si<sub>4</sub><sup>6-</sup> butterfly anion that can be regarded as a reduced form of tetrahedrane according to the Zintl-Klemm-concept. The crystal structure of Ba<sub>2</sub>Eu<sub>3</sub>Si<sub>7</sub> in the space group P6<sub>2</sub>m-D<sub>3h</sub> (No. 189) represents a new structure type with a novel Zintl anion [1]. The silicon atoms form a one-dimensional infinite strand  $_{n}[\text{Si}(\text{Si}_3)\text{Si}_3]_n$  with di- and trivalent silicon atoms. The latter are coordinated in a trigonal planar way and represent the backbone of the anion, the divalent silicon atoms are located at terminal positions. The Eu atoms form trigonal prisms around the trivalent Si atoms, while Ba coordinates the terminal Si atoms of the strand.

Kinetics of the Cu<sup>2+</sup> Incorporation into Macrocycles Covalently Attached to Proteins - Models for Monoclonal Antibody Labelling.

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We have previously shown, that the macrocycle **1** can covalently be attached to monoclonal antibodies and that it can be labelled with <sup>67</sup>Cu<sup>2+</sup> [1]. We have now studied the kinetics of Cu<sup>2+</sup> incorporation into the macrocyclic moiety, once it is bound to a protein.



Macrocycle **1** has been activated through formation of the N-hydroxysuccinimide ester and coupled with proteins, such as bovine serum albumin or ribonuclease A. After purification over a *Sephadex G-25* column the number of macrocycles attached to the protein was determined by atomic absorption spectroscopy of its Cu<sup>2+</sup> complex. Depending on the reaction procedure the modified proteins contain 1-4 macrocycles.

The kinetics of complexation of the two model compounds **1** and **2** as well of the modified proteins **3** have been measured by stopped-flow technique and indicate that the reactivity of the macrocycle is not drastically changed by attaching it to a protein.

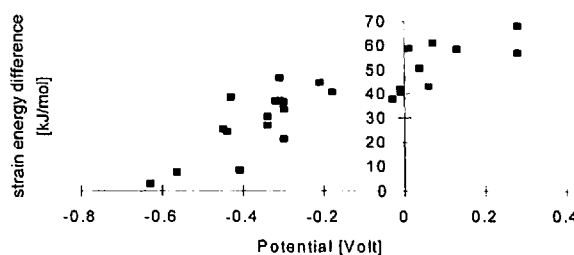
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## The dependence of electron transfer properties of transition metal compounds from structural parameters

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Both the thermodynamics and kinetics of electron transfer reactions (redox potentials and electron transfer rates) have steric contributions, and molecular mechanics calculations have been used to identify them. A large amount of experimental data for Co<sup>2+</sup>/Co<sup>3+</sup> couples have been reported, and we have used molecular mechanics calculations to interpret them and to design new compounds with specific redox potentials and/or electron transfer rates. The linear dependence of the redox potentials to strain energy differences between the optimised cobalt(III) and cobalt(II) complexes with a slope of 64 kJ/molV indicates that the variation of the redox potentials is due to a large extent to strain relaxation.



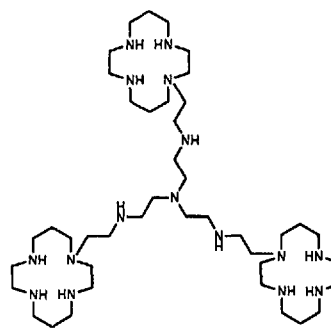
The relatively accurate prediction of redox potentials has been used to determine the structure of a new Cobalt (III) cage compound with a redox potential of +0.8 V (A.M. Sargeson, submitted). These results have been supported by the good agreement between experimentally determined and calculated (MM-AOM) UV-Vis spectra.

## Trinuclear Metal Complexes of a Tris-Macrocyclic

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In continuation of our studies on metal-metal interactions we have now synthesized the tris-macrocyclic **1**, by coupling the N-hydroxysuccinimide



ester of 1,4,8-tritosyl-1,4,8,11-tetraazacyclotetradecane-11-acetic acid to tris(2-aminoethyl)amine (*Tren*), followed by amide reduction with BH<sub>3</sub>·SMe<sub>2</sub> and detosylation with CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>H.

The new ligand is able to bind 3 Cu<sup>2+</sup> through the three N<sub>4</sub>-macrocycles. The trinuclear complex shows a pH-dependent colour change around pH 4.5, the absorption maximum shifting from 515 nm at low pH to 575 nm at high pH. The colour change is due to the axial coordination of the side-chain

amino groups, which become potential ligands at higher pH. The EPR-spectra are also drastically affected by the coordination geometry change.

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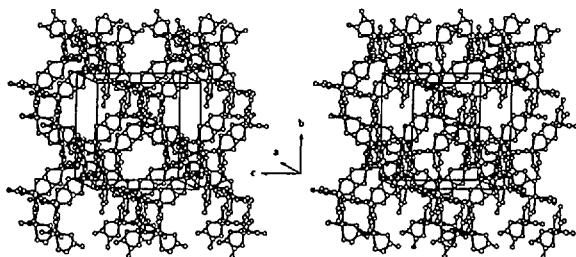
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**Magnetic Structure of the Chiral Three-Dimensional Network  $[Mn_2(C_2O_4)_3]_n^{2n-}$** 

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Tris chelated cations  $[M^{II}(\text{bipy})_3]^{2+}$  favour the crystallization of three-dimensional coordination polymers of oxalato-bridged metal complexes  $[M^I M^{III}(C_2O_4)_3]_n^{2n-}$  and  $[M^{II}_2(C_2O_4)_3]_n^{2n-}$ . These anionic networks build up chiral 3-connected 10-gon nets as shown in a stereoplot below:

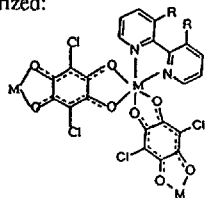
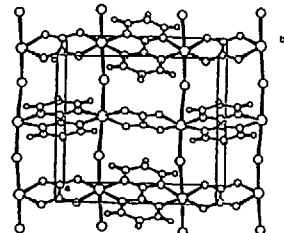


The homometallic networks  $[M^{II}_2(C_2O_4)_3]_n^{2n-}$  are valuable candidates for studies in the field of molecular based magnets because they fulfill the requirements of three-dimensional connectivity of spin carriers, as well as accessibility to a detailed structural characterization.

The compound  $[Fe^{II}(\text{bipy})_3]^{2+} [Mn^{II}_2(C_2O_4)_3]_n^{2n-}$  was synthesized and structurally characterized. DC- and AC-susceptibility and heat capacity experiments indicate a transition to an antiferromagnetic phase at  $T_N \approx 12$  K. In order to understand the magnetic structure and its relationship to the chiral network structure, neutron powder diffraction experiments on a deuterated sample were performed.

**Structural and Magnetic Properties of  $[Cu(\text{DCMB})(\mu\text{-CA})]_n$ ,  $[Mn(\text{bipy})(\mu\text{-CA})]_n$  and  $[Cu_2(\mu\text{-bpym})(\mu\text{-ox})(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]_n$** L.-M. Zheng<sup>a</sup>, H.W. Schmalte<sup>a</sup>, P. Schneuwly<sup>a</sup>, S. Decurtins<sup>a</sup>, J. Enslin<sup>b</sup><sup>a</sup>Institut für Anorganische Chemie, Universität Zürich, CH-8057 Zürich<sup>b</sup>Institut für Anorganische Chemie und Analytische Chemie, Johannes Gutenberg-Universität Mainz, D-55099 Mainz

Aiming to design and synthesize novel transition metal compounds with increasing dimensionality, many recent reports have focused on the synthesis and structural characterization of polymeric compounds using oxalate or 2,2'-bipyrimidine as bridging ligands. The dianion of 2,5-dihydroxy-1,4-benzoquinone and its derivatives (chloranilate anion, for example), as potential bis-bidentate bridging ligands, are considered as prominent candidates of building up new polymers of magnetic interest. The following three complexes have been synthesized and structurally characterized:

(I)  $M = \text{Cu(II)}$ ,  $R = \text{CH}_3\text{OCO}$ (II)  $M = \text{Mn(II)}$ ,  $R = \text{H}$ (III)  $[Cu_2(\mu\text{-bpym})(\mu\text{-ox})(\mu\text{-Cl})_2]_n$ 

Both (I) and (II) show 1D zigzag conformations with a chloranilate bridging ligand and an additional chelating bipyridine ligand. In (III), three different ligands, namely  $\mu$ -bipyrimidine,  $\mu$ -oxalato and  $\mu$ -chloro ligands, conjointly coordinate to copper(II), thus forming a neutral 2D polymeric network. The variable-temperature magnetic susceptibility measurements revealed a weak antiferromagnetic interaction which is transmitted in (I) and (II) through their comparatively large distances between neighboring metal centers [Cu...Cu 7.980(3)Å, Mn...Mn 8.142(1)Å]. While in (III), a strong antiferromagnetic  $\sigma$ -in-plane exchange interaction between the magnetic centers is mediated along the alternating  $\mu$ -bipyrimidine and  $\mu$ -oxalato linkages.

**Structural and Magnetic Properties of Two-Dimensional Bimetallic Oxalate-Bridged Networks**

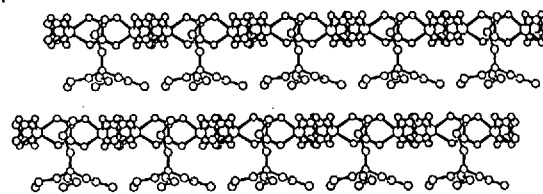
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One of the strategies for the synthesis of molecular-based magnetic materials is to assemble paramagnetic metal ions as spin carriers by a bridging ligand system thus forming two- or three-dimensional polymeric compounds. The availability of a detailed structural analysis of such networks will be a prerequisite for an understanding of relevant physical properties.

Up to now there are only two publications of two-dimensional bimetallic oxalate-bridged networks based on X-ray studies of single crystals [1,2]. So far, most of the optical and magnetic studies had to be performed with microcrystalline materials. However, the determination of physical properties, e.g. of the magnetic anisotropy, requires single crystals of suitable size.



The structures of  $\{[N(\text{Pr})_4][\text{MnCr}(\text{ox})_3]\}_n$  and  $\{[N(\text{Bu})_4][\text{MnFe}(\text{ox})_3]\}_n$  were determined. Magnetic and heat capacity measurements were performed. The former compound orders ferromagnetically at 6 K and exhibits a strong anisotropy in magnetisation, the latter compound is an antiferromagnet ( $T_N = 40$  K).

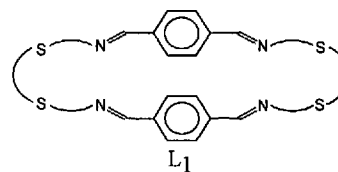
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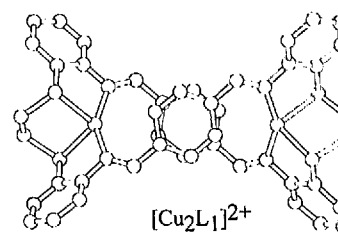
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Large ring macrocyclic ligands with  $(N_2S_2)_2$  donor sets ( $L_1$ ) were prepared by a 2+2 Schiff base condensation reactions. Upon coordination to copper (I) dinuclear double helical complexes are formed ( $Cu_2L_1^{2+}$ ).

The driving force for the novel figure-of-eight motif and the stability of the

 $L_1$ 

helices in solution is discussed on the basis of structural, spectroscopic and modeling studies of a variety of free ligands of the type of  $L_1$  and their dimetal complexes.

 $[Cu_2L_1]^{2+}$

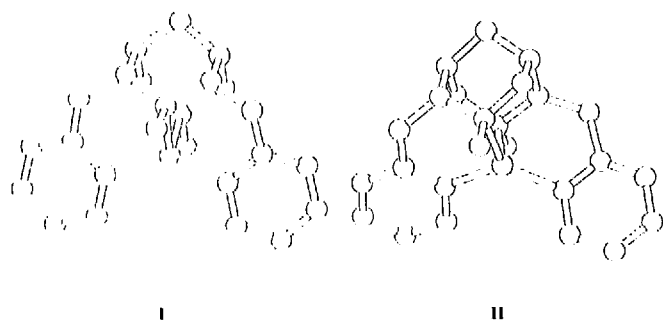
## Enforced tetrahedral coordination geometry

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Ligands enforcing tetrahedral geometry show a wide variety of applications including selective extraction in the recovery of metals. However, only few such ligands are available, and it is difficult to design structures that allow a straight forward synthesis.

Ligands based on the bispidine backbone with pendant arms in cis or trans position (see calculated structures I and II) may enforce a tetrahedral environment around the metal centre. Molecular mechanics calculations are used to predict coordination geometries arising from the compromise between the metal desire and ligand preference. Ligand of type I have been prepared, and the experimental coordination chemistry is compared with predictions based on molecular modelling.



## Die Aktivierung von Zintl-Phasen

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Die in Zintl-Phasen präformierten Cluster Anionen sind geeignete Quellen für Cluster vieler Hauptgruppenelemente. Gelingt es die Cluster aus dem Festkörperverband herauszulösen, so steht ihrer Verwendung in der Synthesechemie nichts mehr im Wege. Als Lösungsmittel werden bisher fast ausschliesslich en<sup>1</sup> und NH<sub>3,liq</sub> eingesetzt. Gibt man zu diesen Lösungen cryptofix222<sup>2</sup> können radikalische Zintl-Anionen in kristalliner Form erhalten werden.

Anstelle dieser „klassischen“ Lösungsmittel werden binäre Phasen von K/Sn und K/Ge auch in geschmolzenem Kronenether 18C6<sup>3</sup> rückstandsfrei aufgelöst. Die so erhaltenen Produkte werden auf ihre magnetischen Eigenschaften in Abhängigkeit der eingesetzten Stöchiometrien von Komplexbildungsreaktion 18C6 und Phase durch NMR- und ESR-Spektroskopie untersucht.

Die Umsetzung der gelösten, „aktivierten“ Phase der Zusammensetzung K<sub>4</sub>Sn<sub>9</sub> mit Trialkylzinnhalogeniden R<sub>3</sub>SnHal (z.B. R=n-Butyl; 2,6-Diethylbenzol) werden beschrieben.

<sup>1</sup> en = Ethylendiamin<sup>2</sup> cryptofix222 = 4,7,13,16,21,24-Hexaoxa-1,10-diazatricyclo[8.8.8]hexacosane<sup>3</sup> 18C6 = 1,4,7,10,13,16-Hexaoxacyclooctadecan

## Zirconia Aerogels and Xerogels:

## Influence of Solvent and Acid on Structural Properties

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High-surface-area zirconia aerogels with meso- to macroporosity have been prepared by an acid-catalyzed alkoxide-sol-gel route with tetrabutoxy-zirconium(IV) and subsequent high-temperature supercritical drying at 578 K. The effect of solvent (ethanol, propanol, butanol, t-amylalcohol), amount of nitric acid, calcination temperature, and drying method was studied by nitrogen physisorption, X-ray diffraction, Fourier transform Raman and diffuse reflectance infrared Fourier transform spectroscopy, scanning electron microscopy, thermal analysis, and temperature-programmed desorption of NH<sub>3</sub>.

After calcination in air at 573 or 773 K, the aerogels possessed specific surface areas of up to 270 or 180 m<sup>2</sup>·g<sup>-1</sup>, respectively. The use of ethanol as solvent resulted in the highest specific surface areas and pore volumes (up to 1.5 cm<sup>3</sup>·g<sup>-1</sup>) among all samples studied, whereas bulky t-amylalcohol caused a shift of the maxima of the broad pore size distributions from 30 to 70 nm. With the corresponding xerogels, prepared via the same wet-chemical procedure but evaporatively dried at ambient temperature, butanol resulted in a maximum at 3 nm and t-amylalcohol in a bimodal pore size distribution with maxima at 3 and 15 nm. The variation of the acid-to-alkoxide ratio in the range 0.08–0.12 at a hydrolysis level of 4 did not significantly influence the structural properties of aerogels and related xerogels. In contrast to the aerogels, the xerogels had significantly lower specific surface areas and prominent microporosity. All uncalcined aerogels contained crystalline ZrO<sub>2</sub>, whereas the corresponding uncalcined xerogels were X-ray amorphous and crystallized only during calcination at 573 K. Both aerogels and xerogels possessed Brønsted-type and Lewis-type acid sites. With the xerogels, the density of acid sites on the surface was significantly lower. This behaviour is attributed to the higher amounts of organic residues which persisted in and on the xerogels up to 773 K and thus blocked the acid sites partially.

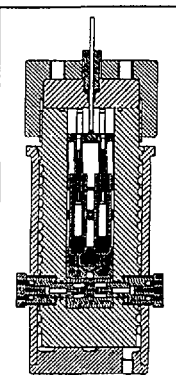
## A High-Pressure Stopped-Flow Fluorometer for a Study of the Kinetics of Fast Reactions.

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High-pressure kinetic techniques have been recognised to be very important for the elucidation of chemical reaction mechanisms<sup>1</sup>. Relaxation techniques such as T-Jump, P-Jump or NMR, and flow techniques such as stopped-flow have been used with success at high-pressures<sup>2</sup>.

The usual high-pressure stopped-flow apparatus were usually restricted to an absorbance detection. However, recent advances, especially in the domain of biochemistry<sup>3</sup>, necessitated the conception and construction of a high-pressure stopped-flow fluorometer.

We present a description of a new generation of our high-pressure stopped-flow capable of measuring rates of reactions simultaneously in absorbance and/or in fluorescence. Using this apparatus, the activation volumes for the reaction of Magnesium(II) 8-hydroxyquinolin complex formation were successfully determined at 278 K.



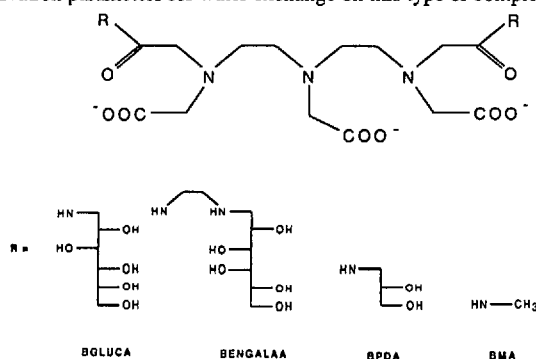
High-pressure stopped-flow: section trough pressure vessel

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Water Exchange on three Amino Sugar Based [Gd(DTPA-BMA)(H<sub>2</sub>O)] Derivatives of Relevance to MRIDirk Pubanz<sup>a</sup>, Eva Tóth<sup>a</sup>, Hendrik Lammers<sup>b</sup>, Joop Peters<sup>b</sup>, André E. Merbach<sup>a</sup>

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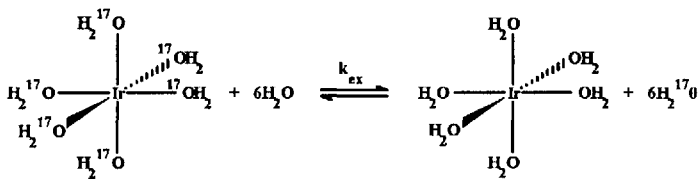
A variable temperature and pressure <sup>17</sup>O NMR study at 9.4 T on the Gd<sup>3+</sup> complexes of the amino sugar based DTPA-BMA<sup>3-</sup> derivatives DTPA-BGLUCA<sup>3-</sup> (bisglucamide), DTPA-BENGALAA<sup>3-</sup> (bisethylenegalactamineamide), and DTPA-BPDA<sup>3-</sup> (bispropanediolamide) yielded the kinetic parameters of the water exchange reaction: the exchange rates  $k_{ex}$  are  $(3.9 \pm 0.2)$ ,  $(2.1 \pm 0.1)$ , and  $(3.6 \pm 0.3) \times 10^5 \text{ s}^{-1}$  and the activation volumes ( $\pm 0.2 \text{ cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ ) are +6.4, +5.2, and +6.5  $\text{cm}^3 \text{ mol}^{-1}$ , respectively, indicating that the reaction is dissociatively activated. A comparison is made with the parent compound [Gd(DTPA-BMA)(H<sub>2</sub>O)], and the conclusion is drawn that structural changes outside the first coordination sphere do not influence the activation parameters for water exchange on this type of complexes.



## Variable-Temperature and Variable-Pressure Oxygen-17 NMR Study of Water Exchange on Hexaaquairidium(III)

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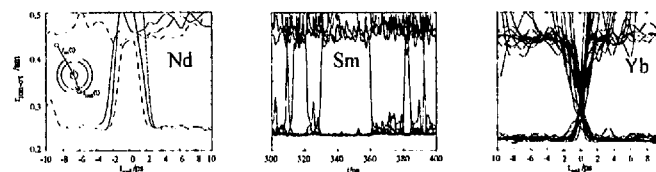
Since the pioneering work of Hunt and Taube,<sup>1</sup> it has been known that the hexaaquachromium(III) ion is slow to exchange its bound water with solvent. Subsequently, the hexaqua ion of iridium was shown to be one of the, if not the most, inert monomeric 3+ ion in aqueous acidic media<sup>2</sup> and as a result, little is currently known about the exchange mechanism for this ion. We now report the first definitive quantitative evidence for water exchange on iridium(III). The water exchange rate constants and activation parameters for [Ir(H<sub>2</sub><sup>17</sup>O)<sub>6</sub>](CF<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> have been determined by <sup>17</sup>O NMR spectroscopy as a function of temperature and pressure. The value for  $k_{ex}$ <sup>298</sup> was calculated to be  $1.4 \times 10^{-10} \text{ s}^{-1}$  (half-life  $\tau_{1/2}$ : ~ 150 years), corresponding to the *slowest* documented water exchange at a mononuclear metal center.

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We have analyzed MD-simulations for lanthanide ions Ln(III) in aqueous solution in order to get insight into the water exchange kinetics and the water exchange mechanisms on these ions. The applied potential function took into account the polarization of water in the first hydration shell [1].



For [Yb(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>8</sub>]<sup>3+</sup> the water exchange follows an interchange-type scheme I with associative character. First a 9-coordinated transition state of tricapped trigonal prismatic geometry is formed that then initiates the leaving of a water molecule from the first shell.

For Sm<sup>3+</sup> a ninth water molecule is frequently exchanging between the first hydration shell and the bulk and maintains the coordination equilibrium between a [Sm(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>8</sub>]<sup>3+</sup> and a [Sm(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>9</sub>]<sup>3+</sup> aqua ion. The resulting trajectory pattern of incoming and leaving water molecules is an alternation of elimination and addition reactions and cannot be classified into the scheme of D, I or A processes for substitution processes.

For [Nd(H<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>9</sub>]<sup>3+</sup> the exchange mechanism is clearly dissociative involving an eight-fold coordinated intermediate of square antiprismatic geometry and an activation volume close to the value for a limiting dissociative mechanism. Because the lifetime of the intermediate that is shorter than the reorientational correlation time of the complex and because a preferential relative arrangement between the entering and the leaving water molecule is preserved, a dissociative interchange I<sub>d</sub> mechanism with strong dissociative character has been assigned.

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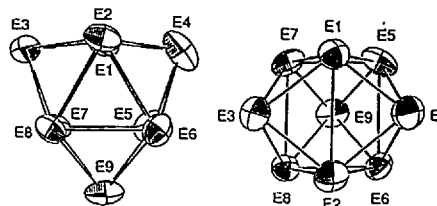
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Die Umsetzungen der in Ethylendiamin gelösten Phasen der nominalen Zusammensetzung KE<sub>2,25</sub> (E = Ge, Sn, Pb) mit Kryptofix222 ergeben Verbindungen des Typs [K(crypt)<sup>+</sup>]<sub>3</sub>E<sub>9</sub> (1) bzw. [K(crypt)<sup>+</sup>]<sub>6</sub>E<sub>9</sub>E<sub>9</sub> (2). In dieser Serie konnten nun alle Verbindungen mit den drei Elementen Ge, Sn und Pb synthetisiert werden. Bei den Clusteranionen handelt es sich bei den Verbindungen des Typs 1 um radikalische Anionen E<sub>9</sub><sup>3-</sup>. Im Falle des Verbindungstyps 2 liegen zwei unterschiedliche Clusterisomere pro Elementarzelle vor. Hierbei werden radikalische Einheiten E<sub>9</sub><sup>3-</sup> und gemischt valente Spezies E<sub>9</sub><sup>2-</sup> und E<sub>9</sub><sup>4-</sup> (diamagnetisch) diskutiert.

Hier werden die strukturellen Eigenschaften und Beziehungen der beiden Verbindungstypen verglichen und diskutiert. Des Weiteren werden magnetische Messungen und ESR Untersuchungen mit den entsprechenden Strukturen korreliert.

Kryptofix222 = 4,7,13,16,21,24-Hexaoxa-1,10-diazabicyclo[8.8.8]hexacosan





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