Total Synthesis of (-)-Epicoccin G and (-)-Rostratin A

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Introduction of Prof. Baudoin



1995 B.S. @ National Graduate School of Chemistry, Paris
1999 Ph.D @ Collège de France (Prof. Jean-Marie Lehn)
1999 Postdoctoral @ Scripps Research Institute (Prof. K. C. Nicolaou)
1999 Group leader @ Institut de Chimie des Substances Naturelles
2006 Professor @ Claude Bernard University Lyon 1
2015 Professor @ The University of Basel

Research Topics

Intermolecular C-H activation

Migratory cross-couplings involving metal chain or ring-walking

(-)-Epicoccin G and (-)-Rostratin A



Isolation: Epicoccum nigrum

Biological activity: anti-HIV-1 activity in C8166 cells

Structural features: C₂ symmetry, cis, cis ring junction

Total synthesis: Nicolaou (2011), Baudoin (2019)



Isolation: Exserohilum rostratum

Biological activity: cytotoxicity against human colon carcinoma HTC-116

Structural features: C₂ symmetry, trans, trans ring junction, disulfide

Total synthesis: Baudoin (2019)

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Synthetic Route of Both Group



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Retrosynthetic Analysis (Nicolaou's Group)



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Synthesis of AB(DE) Ring



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Dimerization



Pd Catalyzed Diacylation



Sulfuration



Mechanism of Sulfuration (1)



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Mechanism of Sulfuration (2)



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Mechanism of Sulfuration (3)



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Retrosynthetic Analysis (Baudoin's Group)



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Construction of ACE Ring



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Proposed Reaction Mechanism of Epoxidation (1)





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Proposed Reaction Mechanism of Epoxidation (2)



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C(sp³)-H Activation



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B,**D** ring construction

Another Example of C(sp³)-H Activation



1) Clemenceau, A.; Thesmar, P.; Gicquel, M.; Flohic, A. L.; Baudoin, O. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2020**, *142*, 15355

Proposed of Reaction Mechanism



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Failure of Hydration



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Diastereoselective Sulfuration (My Proposal)



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Diastereoselective Sulfuration (Prof. Inoue's Proposal)



Installation of trans, trans Ring Junction of (-)-Rostratin A



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Diastereoselective Reduction



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Disulfidation (1)

for (-)-rostratin A



for (-)-epicoccin G



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Disulfidation (2)



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Diastereoselective Sulfuration for (-)-Rostratin A



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