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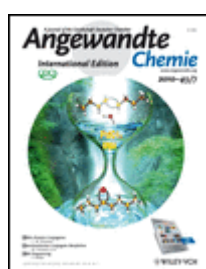


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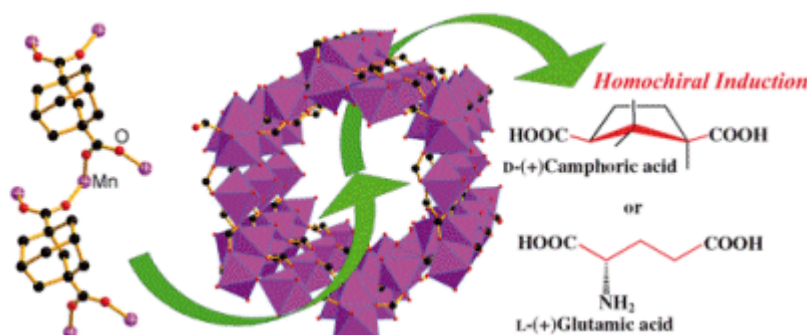
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## Upcoming Hot Papers

Hot Papers are chosen by the Editors for their importance in a rapidly evolving field of high current interest. Many of the "Very Important Papers" (VIPs) would certainly qualify to be included here, but such a duplication is avoided.

### Chirality Induction

## A Tale of Three Carboxylates: Cooperative Asymmetric Crystallization of a Three-Dimensional Microporous Framework from Achiral Precursors



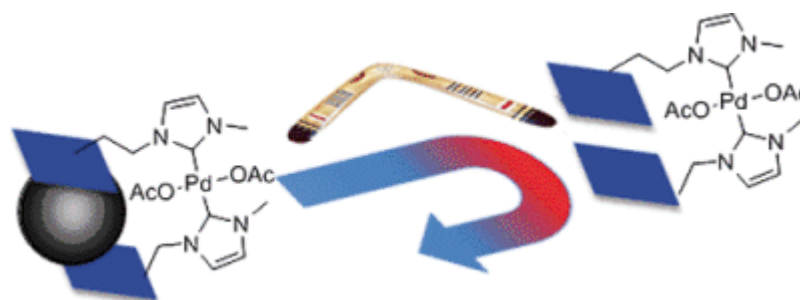
Jian Zhang, Shumei Chen, Ruben A. Nieto, Tao Wu, Pingyun Feng, Xianhui Bu\*

**Something for nothing?** A chiral induction reagent catalyzes the growth of chiral crystals and controls their bulk chirality. Time-dependent experiments show that an initial achiral phase is slowly converted into enantioenriched crystals in the presence of the chiral induction agent.

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## Homogeneous Catalysis

### A Recyclable Nanoparticle-Supported Palladium Catalyst for the Hydroxycarbonylation of Aryl Halides in Water



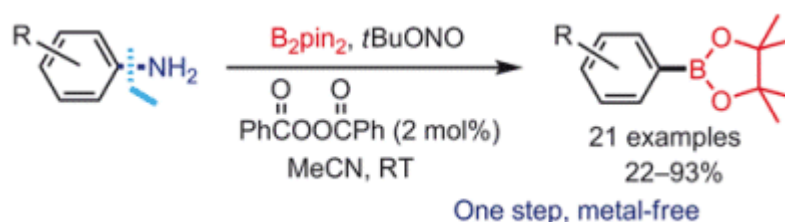
Sebastian Wittmann, Alexander Schätz, Robert N. Grass, Wendelin J. Stark, Oliver Reiser\*

**Boomerang catalysis:** A catalyst catch–release system is established by the noncovalent attachment of a Pd N-heterocyclic carbene complex to graphene-coated magnetic Co nanoparticles. The immobilization by pyrene tags (see scheme; blue) is reversible at elevated temperatures, releasing the homogeneous catalyst. The hydroxycarbonylation of aryl halides is performed in 16 iterative reactions with this highly active catalyst.

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## Boronic Acids

### Direct Conversion of Arylamines to Pinacol Boronates: A Metal-Free Borylation Process



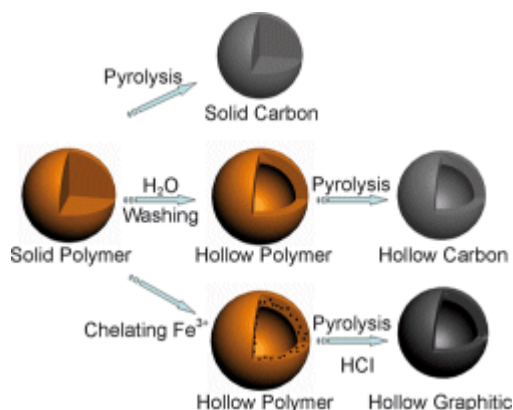
Fanyang Mo, Yubo Jiang, Di Qiu, Yan Zhang, Jianbo Wang\*

**Leave the metal out:** Arylboronates are produced in moderate to good yields by direct borylation of readily available aryl amines (see scheme). The reaction can be carried out under air at room temperature and transition-metal catalysis is not required. The boronate products can be used without purification in Suzuki–Miyaura cross-coupling reactions.

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## Microstructures

### Easy Synthesis of Hollow Polymer, Carbon, and Graphitized Microspheres



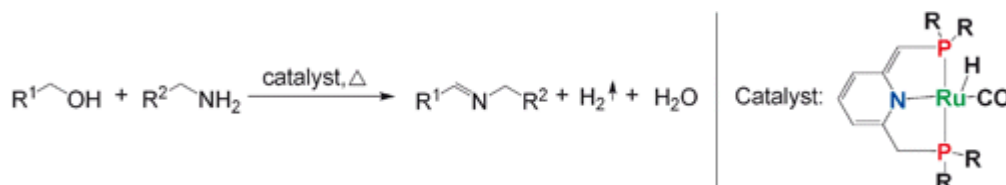
An-Hui Lu\*, Wen-Cui Li, Guang-Ping Hao, Bernd Spliethoff, Hans-Josef Bongard, Bernd Bastian Schaack, Ferdi Schüth

**Balls galore!** A new approach was developed for the easy synthesis of hollow microspheres with amorphous or graphitized microstructure. Starting from one type of solid polymer sphere, a simple water washing treatment led to the formation of hollow structures. Diverse products such as hollow carbon or graphitized spheres can be obtained, depending on subsequent treatment methods (see picture).

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## Homogeneous Catalysis

### Direct Synthesis of Imines from Alcohols and Amines with Liberation of H<sub>2</sub>



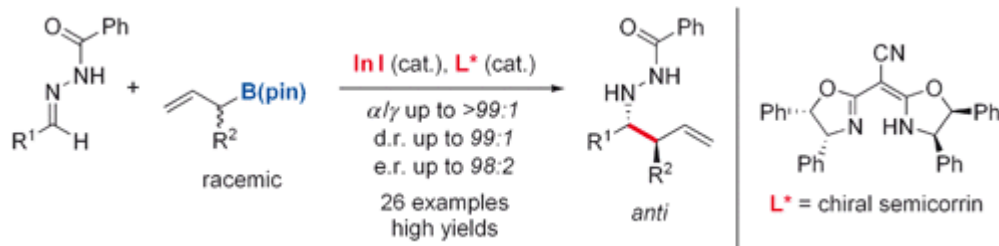
Boopathy Gnanaprakasam, Jing Zhang, David Milstein\*

**A clean sweep:** Aryl and aliphatic imines can be synthesized directly and efficiently from alcohols and amines under mild, neutral conditions with the liberation of only molecular hydrogen and water (see scheme; R=isopropyl, *tert*-butyl). This general, environmentally benign reaction is catalyzed by a de-aromatized ruthenium PNP pincer complex (0.2 mol %), and can proceed in toluene under an inert atmosphere or under air.

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## Asymmetric Catalysis

### Indium(I)-Catalyzed Asymmetric Allylation, Crotylation, and $\alpha$ -Chloroallylation of Hydrazones with Rare Constitutional and High Configurational Selectivities



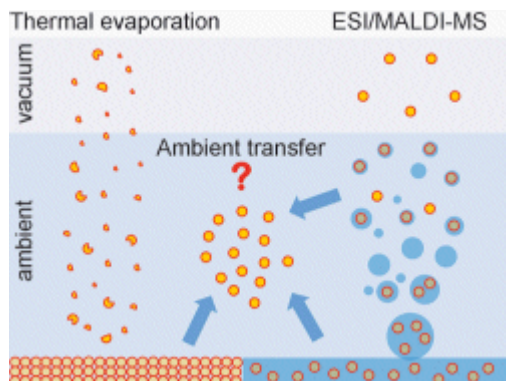
Ananya Chakrabarti, Hideyuki Konishi, Miyuki Yamaguchi, Uwe Schneider, Shū Kobayashi\*

**The hydra-zone:** The first example of asymmetric In<sup>I</sup> catalysis had been developed. InI combined with a chiral semicorrin ligand (L\*) is an effective catalyst for enantioselective allylation, crotylation, and  $\alpha$ -chloroallylation of hydrazones. In the two latter cases, C–C bond formations proceeded with high selectivity where both reactive aliphatic C–Cl and aromatic O–H bonds were tolerated.

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## Spectroscopy

### Direct Access to Isolated Biomolecules at Ambient Conditions



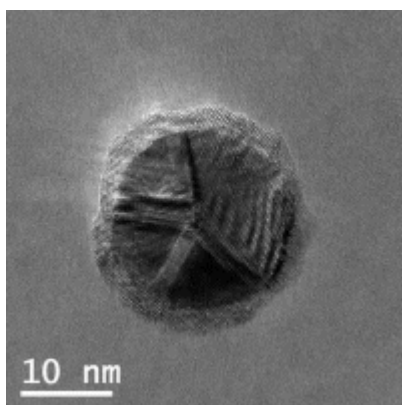
Konstantin Chingin, Vladimir Frankevich, Roman M. Balabin, Konstantin Barylyuk, Huanwen Chen, Rui Wang, Renato Zenobi\*

**In the transfer of nonvolatiles** into the gas phase, thermal evaporation is extremely inefficient because of the rapid chemical degradation (left). Generally, nonvolatiles can be brought into the gas phase by soft-ionization methods such as ESI or MALDI for investigation by MS (right). Now a method has been developed to access isolated biomolecules in the gas phase at ambient conditions (center).

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## Hydrogen Storage

### Ultrahigh Hydrogen Loading in Gold–Palladium Core–Shell Nanostructures



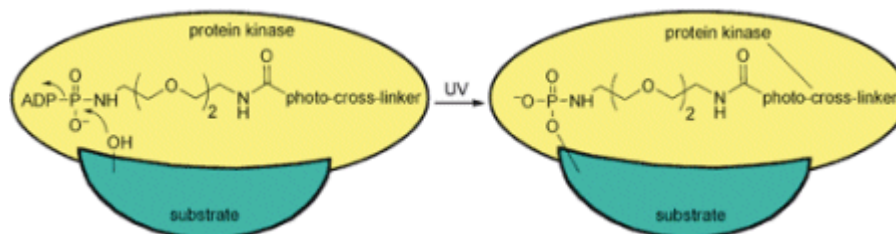
María G. Montes de Oca, David J. Fermín\*

**Stuffed:** An unexpectedly large amount of electrochemically produced hydrogen can be stored in thin palladium shells at gold nanoparticles (see picture). Hydrogen-loaded 1 nm Pd shells on 20 nm Au particles exhibit two orders of magnitude higher H/Pd ratios than bulk Pd electrodes.

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## Biochemical Mechanisms

### Phosphorylation-Dependent Kinase–Substrate Cross-Linking



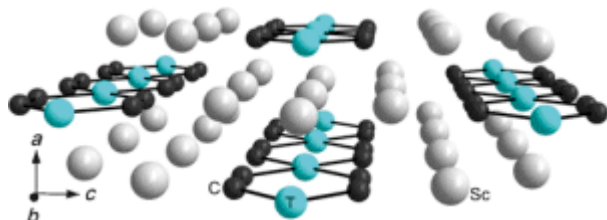
Sujit Suwal, Mary Kay H. Pflum\*

**Pinning down kinase substrates:** The identification of substrates of a particular kinase is fundamental to the elucidation of cell-signaling cascades. This problem has now been addressed by the title approach involving kinase-catalyzed labeling coupled with photo-cross-linking (see scheme). When coupled with MS analysis, this strategy can be used to determine the sites of phosphorylation as well as the effector kinase. ADP=adenosine diphosphate.

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## Superconducting Carbides

### Superconductivity in Quasi One-Dimensional Carbides



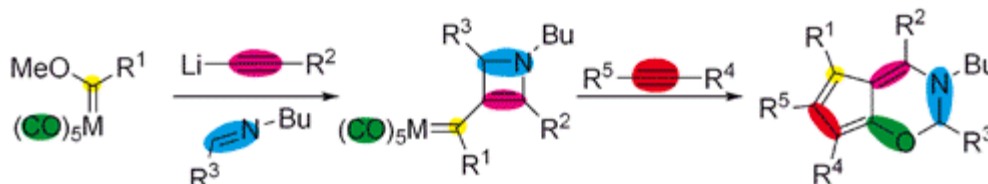
Wolfgang Scherer\*, Christoph Hauf, Manuel Presnitz, Ernst-Wilhelm Scheidt, Georg Eickerling\*, Volker Eyert, Rolf-Dieter Hoffmann, Ute C. Rodewald, Adrienne Hammerschmidt, Christian Vogt, Rainer Pöttgen\*

**Carbides and Co:** The electronic structures of the isotopic carbides  $\text{Sc}_3\text{TC}_4$  (see picture; T=Fe, Co, Ni) are investigated by theoretical and experimental charge-density studies. Even tiny differences in the electronic band structure of these solids can be found in the properties of the Laplacian of the experimental electron density. Only the cobalt carbide is superconducting below 4.5 K and displays a structural phase transition around 70 K.

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## Synthetic Methods

### Sequential Five-Component Construction of the Cyclopenta[e][1,3]oxazine Skeleton using Stable 2-Azetine Derivatives



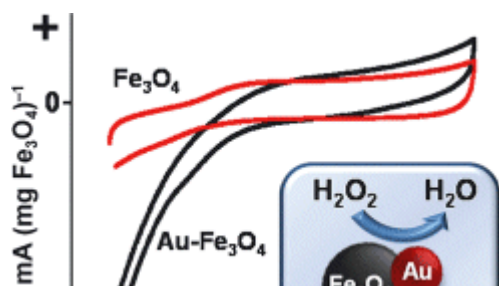
José Barluenga\*, Aránzazu Gómez, Javier Santamaría, Miguel Tomás

**Hawaii Five-Oxazine:** The sequential one-pot reaction of a methoxy-stabilized carbene with an acetylide and an imine provides stable, metal-carbene-containing 2-azetines. Subsequent mild treatment with an alkyne affords a regioselective, three-component cyclization route to fully substituted fused 1,3-oxazines.

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## Nanoparticle Properties

### Synthetic Tuning of the Catalytic Properties of Au-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> Nanoparticles



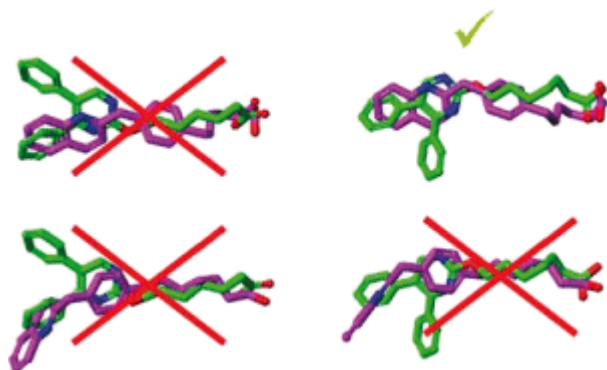
Youngmin Lee, Miguel Angel Garcia, Natalie A. Frey Huls, Shouheng Sun\*

**Dumbbell-like Au-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanoparticles** and their single-component counterparts, Au and Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>, were compared regarding their H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> reduction capability. The Au-Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub> nanoparticles are catalytically more active, which is attributed to polarization effects from Au to Fe<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>. This activity can be further tuned by the size of the nanoparticles.

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## Drug Design

### Drug Design for G-Protein-Coupled Receptors by a Ligand-Based NMR Method



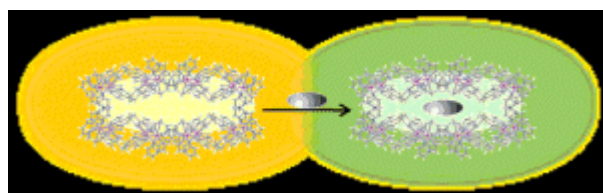
Stefan Bartoschek\*, Thomas Klabunde, Elisabeth Defossa, Viktoria Dietrich, Siegfried Stengelin, Christian Griesinger, Teresa Carlomagno, Ingo Focken, K. Ulrich Wendt

**A nonradioactive binding assay** relying on NMR methods has been devised for a G-protein-coupled receptor; in addition the INPHARMA methods give access to the relative orientation of multiple ligands and supports ligand-based drug design (see picture of superimposed ligands). The methodology is fast and does not require any structural information from protein crystal structures.

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## Luminescent Materials

### Complex Iridium(III) Salts: Luminescent Porous Crystalline Materials



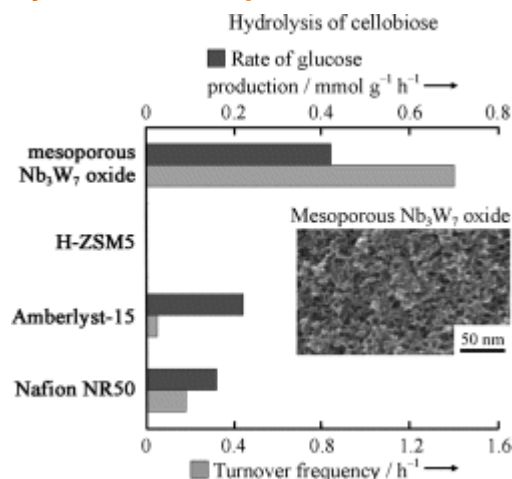
Matteo Mauro, Klaus C. Schuermann, Roger Prôtôt, Andreas Hafner, Pierluigi Mercandelli, Angelo Sironi, Luisa De Cola\*

**Let your light shine:** A new class of noncovalently linked crystalline porous materials is based on luminescent iridium complexes. Pairs complexes possessing different emission colors and complementary charges form complex salts. The crystalline materials form 3D porous motifs, and the emission color can be tuned by inclusion of a solvent or by selective quenching of one of the components of the crystal.

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## Mesoporous Solid Acid

### Highly Active Mesoporous Nb–W Oxide Solid-Acid Catalyst



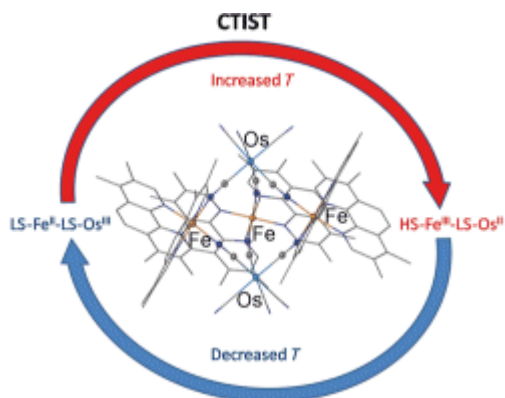
Caio Tagusagawa, Atsushi Takagaki, Ai Iguchi, Kazuhiro Takanabe, Junko N. Kondo, Kohki Ebitani, Shigenobu Hayashi, Takashi Tatsumi, Kazunari Domen\*

**Pore-ing acid:** Mesoporous Nb–W oxides (Nb:W=3:7) are found to be a recyclable, highly active solid acid. They surpass ion-exchange resins (Nafion NR50 and Amberlyst-15) and zeolites (H-ZSM5 and H-Beta) in Friedel–Crafts alkylation and hydrolysis reactions (see picture). The high activity is due to strong acid sites and a mesoporous structure with a high surface area and easy reactant accessibility.

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## Spin Transitions

### An Unprecedented Charge Transfer Induced Spin Transition in a Fe–Os Cluster



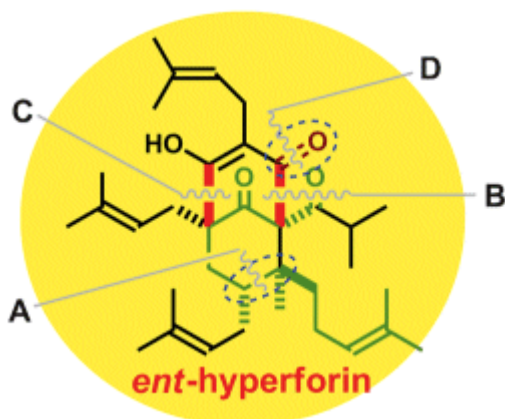
Matthew G. Hilfiger, Meimei Chen, Tatiana V. Brinzari, Tanya M. Nocera, Michael Shatruk, Doros T. Petasis, Janice L. Musfeldt, Catalina Achim\*, Kim R. Dunbar\*

**High in low:** The novel  $\{[\text{Fe}(\text{tmphen})_2]_3[\text{Os}(\text{CN})_6]_2\}$  complex (see structure) is the first example of cluster in which a high-spin  $\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}$  ion is in a coordination environment of four imine nitrogens and two N-coordinated cyanides. Magnetic studies reveal an unprecedented type of reversible charge transfer induced spin transition (CTIST) between the low-spin  $\text{Fe}^{\text{II}}-\text{N}\equiv\text{C}-\text{Os}^{\text{III}}$  and high-spin  $\text{Fe}^{\text{III}}-\text{N}\equiv\text{C}-\text{Os}^{\text{II}}$  redox pairs.

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## Total Synthesis

### Catalytic Asymmetric Total Synthesis of *ent*-Hyperforin



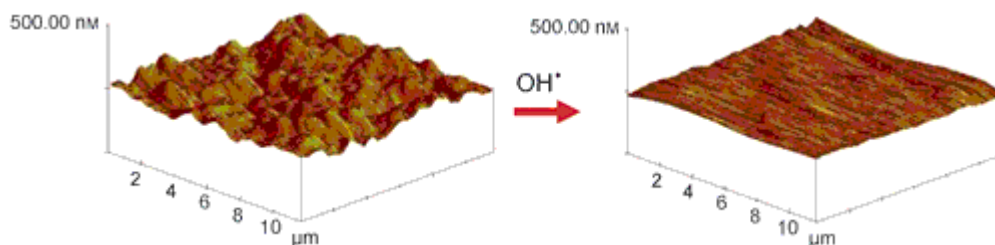
Yohei Shimizu, Shi-Liang Shi, Hiroyuki Usuda, Motomu Kanai\*, Masakatsu Shibasaki\*

**Key to success:** The first catalytic asymmetric total synthesis of *ent*-hyperforin (see picture) was accomplished by using a Diels–Alder reaction promoted by a chiral cationic iron catalyst (**A**; 96% ee, d.r. >33:1), a diastereoselective Claisen rearrangement (**B**; 12:1 selectivity), an intramolecular aldol reaction (**C**), and a vinylogous Pummerer rearrangement (**D**) as key steps.

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## Chemical Polishing

### Hydroxyl Radicals Attack Metallic Gold



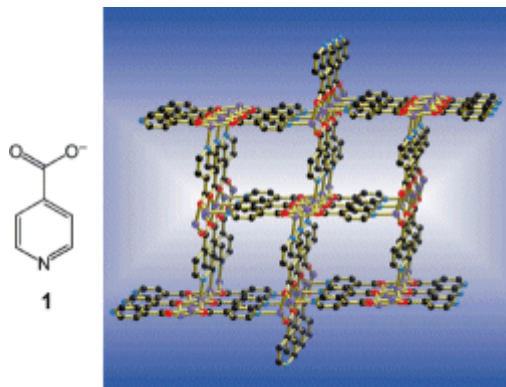
Anna Maria Nowicka\*, Ulrich Hasse, Michael Hermes, Fritz Scholz\*

**Gold service:** The asperities on a polished gold surface are quickly dissolved by the  $\text{OH}\cdot$  radicals of Fenton's reagent. The dissolution of Au is rapid at the beginning of the reaction and is negligible when the asperities have been dissolved. Although the  $\text{OH}\cdot$  radicals also oxidize the smooth parts of the Au surface, they do not dissolve them, but form a stable oxide monolayer.

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## Coordination Polymers

### A Simple Lithium(I) Salt with a Microporous Structure and Its Gas Sorption Properties



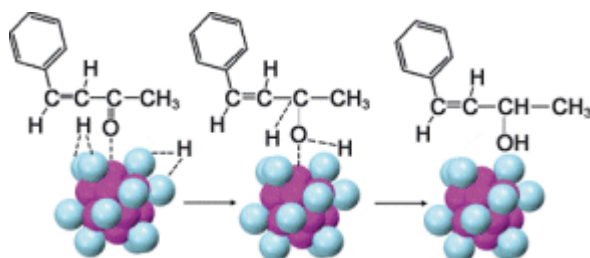
Brendan F. Abrahams\*, Martin J. Grannas, Timothy A. Hudson, Richard Robson\*

**Thoroughly absorbing:** The simple combination of lithium ions and isonicotinate anions leads to the formation of a lightweight salt (see picture; C black, O red, N blue, Li purple) that is able to reversibly sorb  $H_2$ ,  $N_2$ ,  $CO_2$ , and  $CH_4$ . The salt exists as a 3D network of microchannels that are occupied by solvent molecules.

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## Gold Nanocatalysts

### Atomically Precise $Au_{25}(SR)_{18}$ Nanoparticles as Catalysts for the Selective Hydrogenation of $\alpha,\beta$ -Unsaturated Ketones and Aldehydes



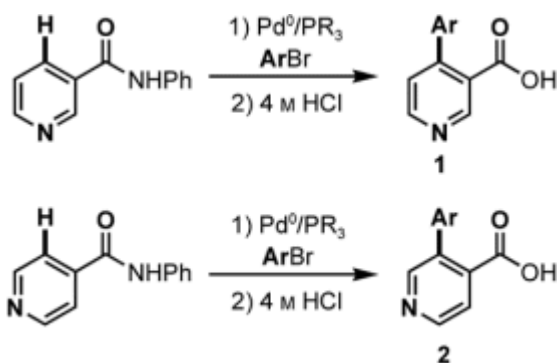
Yan Zhu, Huifeng Qian, Bethany A. Drake, Rongchao Jin\*

**A golden opportunity:** A mechanism has been proposed to account for the chemoselective hydrogenation of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketones (or aldehydes) to unsaturated alcohols catalyzed by monodisperse  $Au_{25}(SR)_{18}$  particles (see picture). Now that the structure of these nanoparticles is known, structure–activity correlations can be drawn. [block]text rewritten so that it does not simply repeat the title and also so that it fits the picture better; ok?[block]

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## C–H Activation

### $Pd^0/PR_3$ -Catalyzed Arylation of Nicotinic and Isonicotinic Acid Derivatives



Masayuki Wasa, Brady T. Worrell, Jin-Quan Yu\*

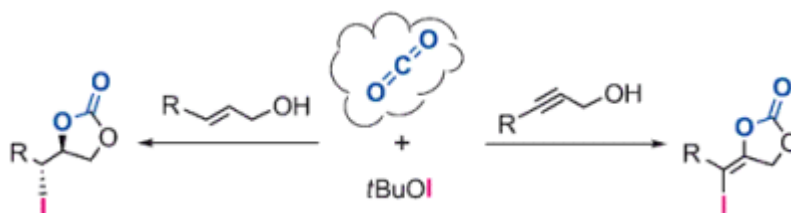
**Good for your health:** Intermolecular C–H functionalization of pyridine rings at the 3- and 4-positions is described using a  $Pd^0/PR_3/ArBr$  catalytic system. This reaction provides a powerful method for the preparation of structurally diverse nicotinic and isonicotinic acids that are of great importance in drug discovery.

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## CO<sub>2</sub> Fixation

### Atmospheric CO<sub>2</sub> Fixation by Unsaturated Alcohols Using *t*BuOI under Neutral Conditions



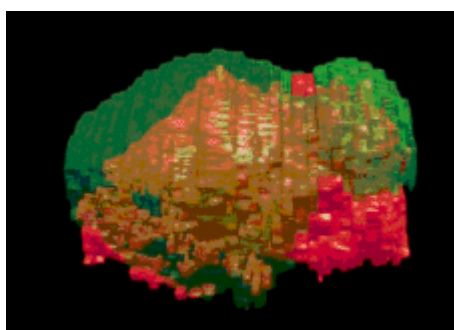
Satoshi Minakata\*, Itsuro Sasaki, Toshihiro Ide

**Hold on tight!** Reaction of CO<sub>2</sub> with unsaturated alcohols and *t*BuOI to form cyclic carbonates leads to fixation of the greenhouse gas. In contrast to known CO<sub>2</sub> fixation methods, this process proceeds under extremely mild conditions.

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## Imaging Mass Spectrometry

### Three-Dimensional Visualization of Mouse Brain by Lipid Analysis Using Ambient Ionization Mass Spectrometry



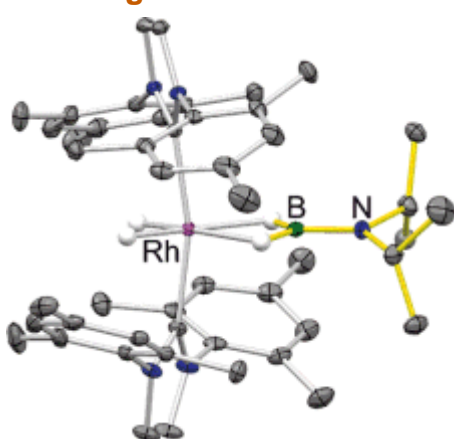
Livia S. Eberlin, Demian R. Ifa, Chunping Wu, R. Graham Cooks\*

**Imaging, not imagination:** Three-dimensional (3D) images can be constructed from a set of 2D data acquired by desorption electrospray ionization (DESI) mass spectrometry. The 3D images show the spatial distributions of specific biomolecules in substructures of the mouse brain (see picture).

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## Aminoborane Complexes

### Rhodium and Iridium Aminoborane Complexes: Coordination Chemistry of BN Alkene Analogues



Christina Y. Tang, Amber L. Thompson, Simon Aldridge\*

**Side-on or end-on?** Rhodium and iridium complexes featuring aminoboranes (R<sub>2</sub>N=BH<sub>2</sub>) as ligands have been synthesized and structurally characterized. Crystallographic measurements show that the ligands—in contrast to isoelectronic alkene donors—bind in an end-on fashion through a bis(σ-borane) binding motif (see structure).

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## Molecular Devices

### Controlling Molecular Rotary Motion with a Self-Complexing Lock



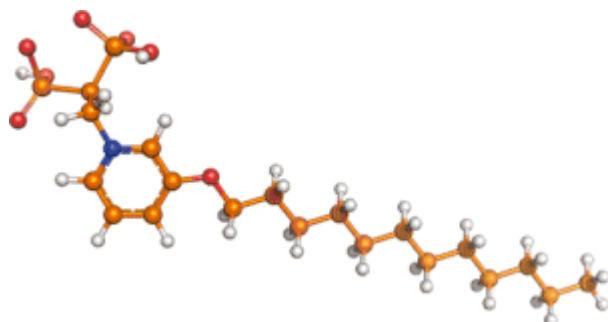
Da-Hui Qu, Ben L. Feringa\*

**The key to motion:** A second-generation molecular rotary motor, which contains a DB24C8 macrocycle ring incorporated into the lower stator half and a dialkyl ammonium ion attached to the upper rotor half, forms a [1]pseudorotaxane in less polar solvents such as  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ . In this self-complexing system, acid–base-controlled threading–dethreading movements can be utilized to unlock or lock the molecular motor (see picture).

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## Immunotherapeutic Bisphosphonates

### Lipophilic Pyridinium Bisphosphonates: Potent $\gamma\delta$ T Cell Stimulators



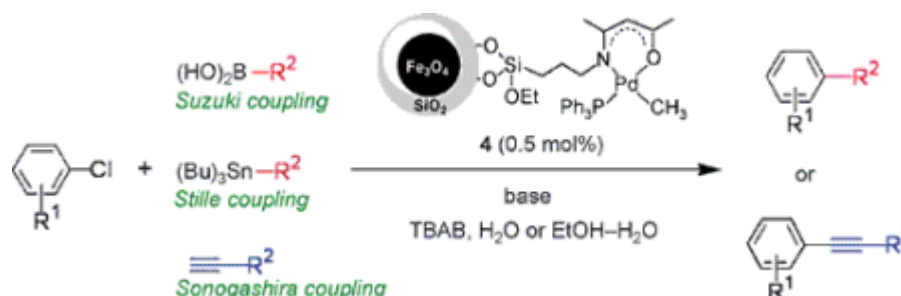
Yonghui Zhang, Rong Cao, Fenglin Yin, Fu-Yang Lin, Hong Wang, Kilannin Krysiak, Joo-Hwan No, Dushyant Mukkamala, Kevin Houlihan, Jikun Li, Craig T. Morita\*, Eric Oldfield\*

**Chain gang:** Lipophilic pyridinium bisphosphonates containing long alkyl chains (see picture, P red, N blue, C orange, H gray) stimulate human  $\gamma\delta$  T cells expressing the  $\text{V}\gamma 2\text{V}\delta 2$  T cell receptor. Stimulation with such compounds is more potent than with zoledronate, which is active against breast and prostate cancer. The lipophilic bisphosphonates bind poorly to bone and are thus less likely to cause side effects associated with bisphosphonates in clinical use.

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## Heterogeneous Catalysis

### A Practical Heterogeneous Catalyst for the Suzuki, Sonogashira, and Stille Coupling Reactions of Unreactive Aryl Chlorides



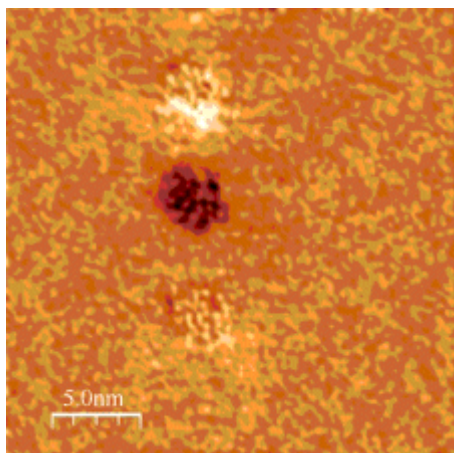
Myung-Jong Jin\*, Dong-Hwan Lee

**Practical catalyst:** A magnetic nanoparticle-supported palladium catalyst was developed for the highly efficient heterogeneous Suzuki, Sonogashira, and Stille couplings of a wide variety of aryl chlorides. Furthermore, the catalyst could be recycled by facile magnetic separation without any loss of activity.

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## Spinn Crossover

### Spin-State Patterns in Surface-Grafted Beads of Iron(II) Complexes



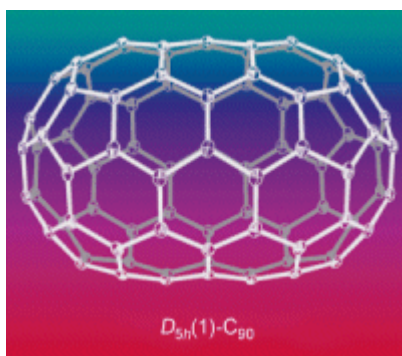
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**Strung out:** Fe<sup>II</sup> complexes containing pairs of planar terdentate N ligands form regular one-dimensional aggregates on highly oriented pyrolytic graphite, on a length scale of hundreds of nanometers. STM spectroscopy was used to probe the molecular conductance and thus the spin state. The distribution of spin states is random in the single-molecule chain, but local cooperativity sets in when the chain is made up of oligonuclear "beads" (see picture).

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## Fullerenes

### Isolation of a Small Carbon Nanotube: The Surprising Appearance of $D_{5h}(1)$ -C<sub>90</sub>



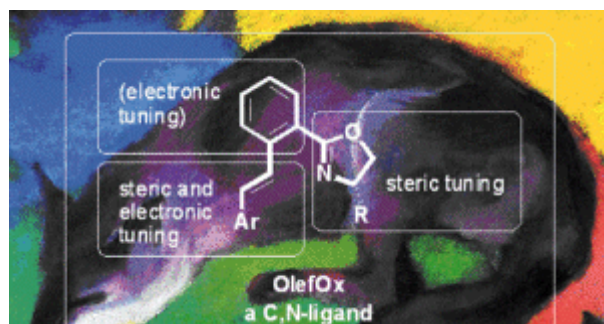
Hua Yang, Christine M. Beavers, Zhimin Wang, An Jiang, Ziyang Liu\*, Hongxiao Jin\*, Brandon Q. Mercado, Marilyn M. Olmstead\*, Alan L. Balch\*

**Totally tubular:** The previously undetected higher fullerene  $D_{5h}(1)$ -C<sub>90</sub> (see structure) was isolated as the major C<sub>90</sub> isomer produced from Sm<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>-doped graphite rods and identified structurally by X-ray crystallography.

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## Ligand Design

### Olefin–Oxazolines (OlefOx): Highly Modular, Easily Tunable Ligands for Asymmetric Catalysis



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**Foxy ligands:** An efficient three-step synthesis allows the new highly modular family of olefin–oxazoline ligands (OlefOx; see picture) to be exploited in asymmetric catalysis. The ease of electronic and steric variation and the successful application in the highly enantioselective rhodium-catalyzed conjugate addition of aryl boronic acids to cyclic enones demonstrate the importance of this new ligand class.

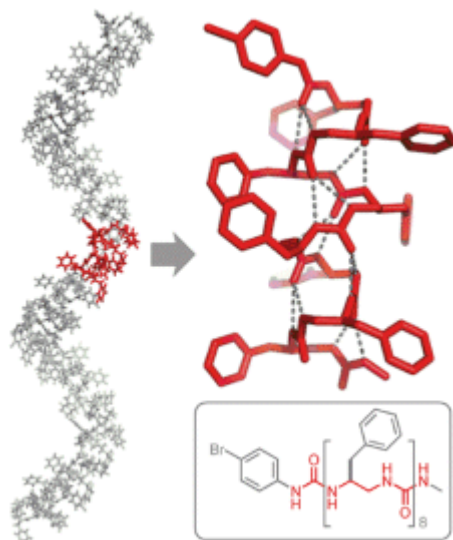
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## Helical Foldamers

### The Canonical Helix of Urea Oligomers at Atomic Resolution: Insights Into Folding-Induced Axial Organization

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**Helical by nature:** Urea-based peptidomimetics with proteinogenic side chains are fully helical in the crystalline state (see picture). Four acyclic residues are sufficient to drive complete helix formation with all complementary H-bonding sites being satisfied (up to 14 for a 8-mer). Helices pack head-to-tail to create infinite H-bonded networks with different topologies.

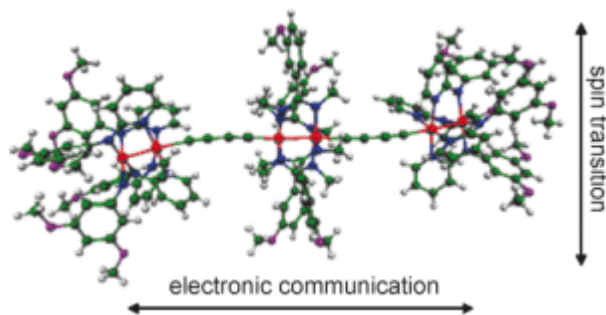
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## Organometallic Wires

### Linear Trimer of Diruthenium Linked by Butadiyn-Diyl Units: A Unique Electronic Wire

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**Ru communicating?** Butadiyn-diyl bridges link three  $Ru_2$  moieties together to give a molecular wire (see structure, red Ru, green C, blue N, purple O). Voltammetric, spectroscopic, and magnetic data all point to extensive electronic delocalization across the linear trimer.

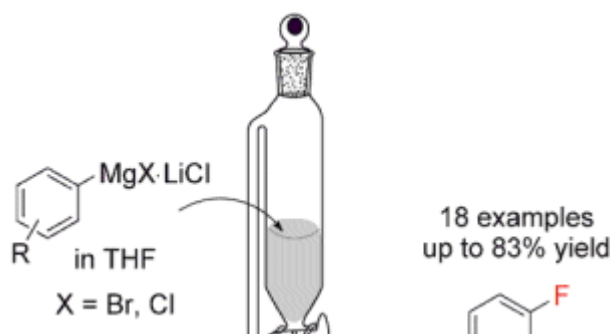
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## Selective Fluorination

### Efficient Synthesis of Aryl Fluorides

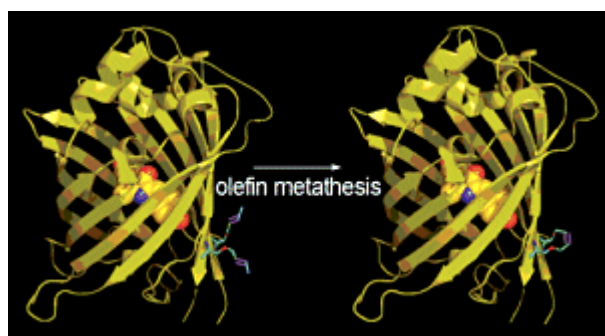
Pazhamalai Anbarasan, Helfried Neumann, Matthias Beller\*

**Creating C–F bonds:** A novel electrophilic fluorination of aryl and heteroaryl Grignard reagents has been discovered and was used for the efficient synthesis of various aryl fluoride derivatives (see picture; THF=tetrahydrofuran).

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## Expanded Genetic Code

### Genetically Encoded Alkenes in Yeast



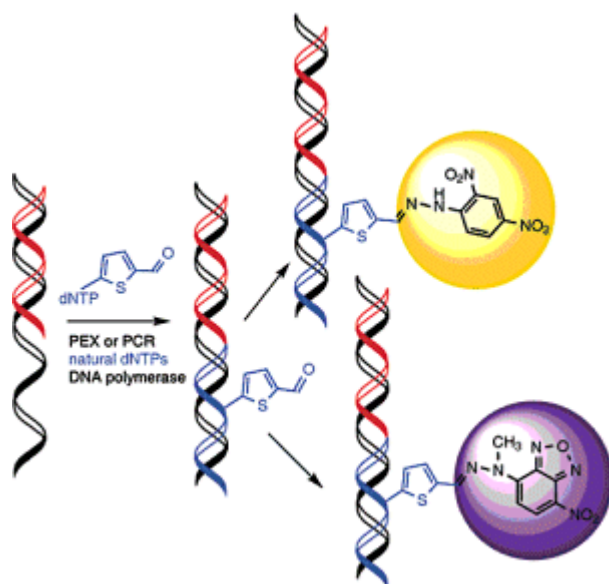
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**Olefin-containing amino acids** have been genetically introduced into proteins in *Saccharomyces cerevisiae* by orthogonal tRNA/aminoacyl-tRNA synthetase pairs. These nonnatural amino acids can be used for selective protein modification through olefin metathesis reactions.

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## Functionalized DNA

### Direct Polymerase Synthesis of Reactive Aldehyde-Functionalized DNA and Its Conjugation and Staining with Hydrazines



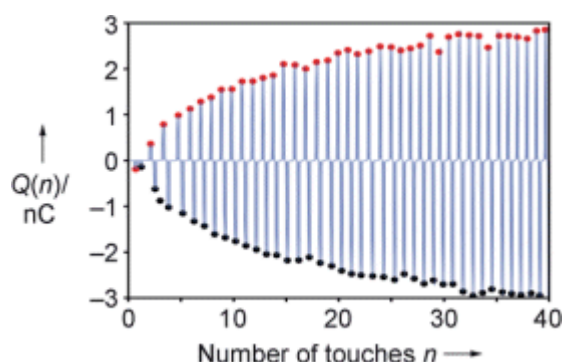
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**Reactive aldehyde-modified DNA** was prepared in two steps by Suzuki cross-coupling of halogenated nucleoside triphosphates (dNTPs) with 4-formylthiophene-2-boronic acid and subsequent polymerase incorporation of the modified nucleotides into DNA (see scheme; PEX=primer extension, PCR=polymerase chain reaction). Formation of hydrazones with arylhydrazines under aqueous conditions was used for DNA staining.

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## Electrostatics

### Contact Electrification between Identical Materials



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**Ch-ch-ch-charges:** Pieces of identical, atomically flat insulators separate a charge  $Q$  when brought into contact and then parted. Repeated contacts cause the magnitudes of the separated charges to increase monotonically (see picture). A theoretical model is presented that explains these phenomena by the inherent, molecular-scale fluctuations in the composition of the seemingly identical contacting surfaces.

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