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REVIEW

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Asymmetric Cationic [P, O] Type Palladium Complexes in Olefin Homopolymerization and Copolymerization

Cationic [P, O] Pd catalyst for olefin polymerization and copolymerization

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This review summarizes several types of high performance cationic [P, O] palladium catalysts in ethylene oligomerization, ethylene homopolymerization and the copolymerization of ethylene with polar monomers.

COMMUNICATIONS

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Synthesis of 1,2,4-Triazine Compounds via Two Distinct One-Pot Domino Protocols

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1,2,4-Triazine compounds were synthesized via two coupled domino strategies employing simple and readily available arylacetaldehydes/arylethyl alcohols as starting materials. The reactions proceed smoothly in one pot with the advantages of high functional groups tolerance, being transition metal-free, and employing environmentally friendly oxidants such as I_2 and IBX, providing access to the desired 1,2,4-triazine products in excellent yields.

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Study of Karstedt's Catalyst for Hydrosilylation of a Wide Variety of Functionalized Alkenes with Triethoxysilane and Trimethoxysilane

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Karstedt's catalyst [$Ptn(H_2C=CHSiMe_2OSiMe_2CH=CH_2)_m$] demonstrated the excellent performance for the hydrogenation of olefins and especially aminated alkenes with trimethoxysilane and triethoxysilane in terms of the yield and selectivity.

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Functional Ionic Liquids Promoted Double Michael Reaction of Benzofuran-3-one or 1-Indone and Symmetric Dienones: Construction of Spiro[benzofuran-2,1'-cyclohexane]-3-one or Spiro-[cyclohexane-1,2'-indene]-1',4(3'H)-dione Derivatives

mild conditions 9 examples, 38% - 99% yields Cat. (10 mol%) CH₃CN (1 mL), 40 °C spiro[benzofuran-2.1'-cvclohexane]-3-one or generation of substituted cyclohexane containing The double Michael reactions between benzofuran-3-one or 1-indone and symmetric

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dienones in the presence of catalytic ionic liquids were successfully developed and the desired products were obtained in excellent yields (up to 99%). This catalytic system was also extended to the double Michael reaction of less reactive 1-indone and the desired products were obtained in 31%-62% yields.

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Copper(II) Acetylacetonate: An Efficient Catalyst for Huisgen-Click Reaction for Synthesis of 1,2,3-Triazoles in Water

$$R^{1}-N_{3} + R^{2} = \frac{\text{copper(II) acetylacetonate (0.2 mol\%)}}{\text{H}_{2}O} + \frac{\text{N}_{2}N_{1}-R^{1}}{100 \text{ °C}}$$

$$R^{1}X + \text{NaN}_{3} + R^{2} = \frac{\text{copper(II) acetylacetonate (2 mol\%)}}{\text{copper(II) acetylacetonate (2 mol\%)}}$$

$$32 \text{ examples, } 80\% - 93\% \text{ yields}$$

$$R^{1} = \text{aryl, alkyl, Bn, C}_{2}H_{5}OCCH_{2}$$

$$R^{2} = \text{aryl, alkyl, C}_{6}H_{5}OCH_{2}, p-O_{2}NC_{6}H_{5}OCH_{2}$$

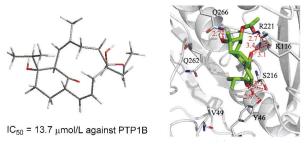
$$excellent \text{ chemoselectivity}$$

Yuqin Jiang, Xingfeng Li, Xiyong Li, Yamin Sun, Yaru Zhao, Shuhong Jia, Niu Guo, Guiqing Xu,* Weiwei Zhang*

An efficient and green copper(II) acetylacetonate-catalyzed protocol for the Huisgenclick reaction in water at 100 °C has been established. The protocol was not only suitable for the reaction between organic azides and alkynes, but also suitable for one-pot three-component reaction among alkyl halides, NaN₃ and alkynes.

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A Novel Sarsolenane Diterpene as a PTP1B Inhibitor from Hainan Soft Coral Sarcophyton trocheliophorum Marenzeller



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A novel sarsolenane diterpene 1 as a minor component from the South China Sea soft coral S. trocheliophorum, exhibited moderate inhibitory activity (IC₅₀ = 13.7 μ mol·L⁻¹) against PTP1B. This discovery promotes computational prediction of binding mode between the enzyme and the metabolite, suggesting a crucial role of the residues Tyr46, Ser216 and Arg221 in the binding action.

FULL PAPERS

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Regio- and (E)-Stereoselective Triborylation of Propargylic Carbonates

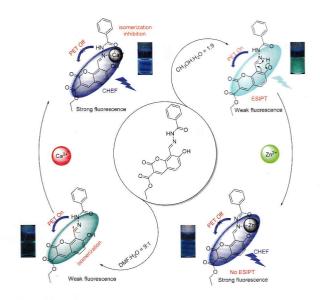
excellent regio- and E-selectivity Synthetically useful functional groups could be tolerated

Zheng Yang, Tao Cao, Yulin Han, Weilong Lin, Qi Liu, Yang Tana. Yizhan Zhai, Minqiang Jia, Wanli Zhang, Tonghao Zhu, Shengming Ma*

The triborylation of readily available propargylic carbonates under co-catalysis of Pd and Cu forming (E)-alken-1,2,3-triboronates has been developed. The reaction enjoys an excellent regio- and E-selectivity tolerating a broad scope with many synthetically useful functional groups.

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A Novel Dual Channel Fluorescent Probe for Ca2+ and Zn2+ Based on a Coumarin Schiff Base



Novel coumarin Schiff base fluorescent probe has been designed and synthesized which

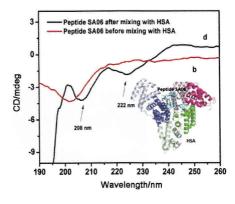
shows a solvent dependent dual sensing, viz., recognition of Ca²⁺ in DMF-H₂O (9:1, V/V) solution based on C=N isomerization, photoinduced electron transfer (PET) inhibition and chelation-enhanced fluorescence (CHEF) mechanism as well as detection of Zn^{2+} in H₂O-CH₃OH (9: 1, V/V) solution by excited-state intramolecular proton transfer (ESIPT) and CHEF processes.

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Allosteric Modulation of Human Serum Albumin Induced by Peptide Ligand

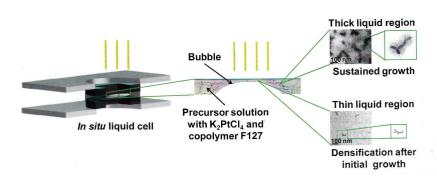
Jingfei Hou, Jiaxi Peng, Yue Yu, Yuchen Lin, Changliang Liu, Hongyang Duan, Yanlian Yang,* Chen Wang*



This work studied allosteric modulation of human serum albumin induced by peptide ligand, figured out the binding affinity, and provided structural evidence on the interaction mechanism of albumin-peptide complex.

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Direct Observation of Growth and Self-assembly of Pt Nanoclusters in Water with the Aid of a Triblock Polymer Using in situ Liquid Cell Transmission Electron Microscopy (TEM)



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The growth and self-assembly of Pt nanoclusters with the aid of F127 surfactants are directly observed using in situ liquid cell TEM, and a surfactant guided nanocluster formation mechanism is proposed. Dramatic differences are found on the cluster forming behaviour and final morphologies between thick and thin liquid regions. The difference in precursor availability and charging effects are attributed to the different growth behaviour in different thickness regions.

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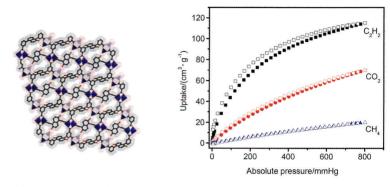
Total Synthesis of (+)-Chinensiolide B from α -Santonin

Lingqiong Zhang, Xiaoli Dai, Lianzhi Tao, Chunsong Xie, Min Zhang, Min Wang*

A short and efficient total synthesis of (+)-chinensiolide B is reported from α -santonin in 10 steps with 18.6% overall yield.

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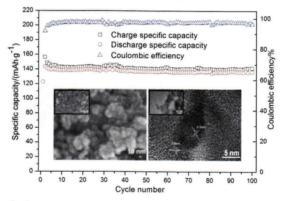
A New Microporous Metal-Organic Framework for Highly Selective C₂H₂/CH₄ and C₂H₂/CO₂ Separation at Room Temperature



Xing Duan,* Tifeng Xia, Zhenguo Ji, Yuanjing Cui, Yu Yang, Guodong Qian* A microporous three-dimensional metal organic framework with open metal sites and optimized pore sizes was synthesized to realize highly selective C_2H_2/CH_4 and C_2H_2/CO_2 gas separation.

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Amorphous MnO₂ as Cathode Material for Sodium-ion Batteries



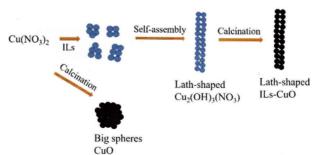
Amorphous MnO₂ has been prepared from the reduction of KMnO₄ in ethanol media by a facile one-pot wet chemical route at room temperature. When employed as cathode material in SIBs, the amorphous MnO₂ electrode exhibits high reversible specific capacity, stable cycling performance and good rate capability. The reversible

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discharge capacity of the amorphous MnO_2 electrode is maintained at 136.8 $mAh \cdot g^{-1}$ after 100 cycles at 0.1 C. And the electrode delivers reversible discharge capacities of 120.4, 89, 68 and 47 $mAh \cdot g^{-1}$ at 0.2 C, 0.5 C, 1 C and 2 C, respectively.

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lonic Liquid Mediated Synthesis of Lath Shaped CuO Micro-Assembles as Extremely Stable Anode Material for Lithium-Ion Batteries



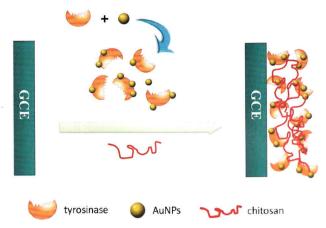
A novel lath-shaped CuO microassemble consisting of well-crystalized ultrafine nanocrystals was prepared by an ionothermal method with the assistance of ionic liquids (ILs, 1-butyl-3-methylimidazolium

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tetrafluoroborate). As anode material of lithium ion batteries, the ILs-CuO exhibits high specific capacity, durability and good rate performance, superior to bare CuO. At a high current density of 1000 mA•g⁻¹, after 100 cycles, ILs-CuO still retains a discharge capacity of 483.2 mAh•g⁻¹. The improved electrochemical performances could be ascribed to the unique microscale lath-shape CuO assembles composed of ultrafine nanostructure.

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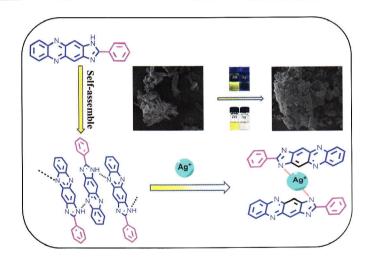
Amperometric Biosensor for Detection of Phenolic Compounds Based on Tyrosinase, *N*-Acetyl-*L*-cysteine-capped Gold Nanoparticles and Chitosan Nanocomposite



Wenjuan Dong, Jiyan Han, Jia Shi, Wenting Liang, Yuexia Zhang, Chuan Dong* A novel biosensor was fabricated based on the immobilization of tyrosinase and *N*-acetyl-*L*-cysteine-capped gold nanoparticles onto the surface of the glassy carbon electrode via the film forming by chitosan. The NAC-AuNPs with the average size of 3.4 nm had much higher specific surface and good biocompatibility, which were favorable for increasing the immobilization amount of enzyme, retaining the catalytic activity of enzyme and facilitating the fast electron transfer.

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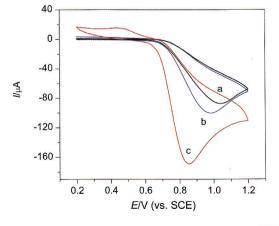
Sensitive and Selective Fluorescent and Colorimetric Sensor for Ag ⁺ Based on the Supramolecular Self-Assembly in Semi-Water



Taibao Wei,* Haili Zhang, Wenting Li, Wenjuan Qu, Junxia Su, Qi Lin, Youming Zhang, Hong Yao In this paper, a fluorescent and colorimetric sensor based on the supramolecular self-assembly was designed and synthesized, which could detect Ag^+ in aqueous solution with high sensitivity and selectivity. It had a remarkable ON–OFF type fluorescent signaling behavior and obvious color change from yellow to buff by adding Ag^+ into the solution of **ZH**.

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A MnOOH-Polyaniline Nanocomposite Modified Gold Electrode for Electrochemical Sensing of Nitrite



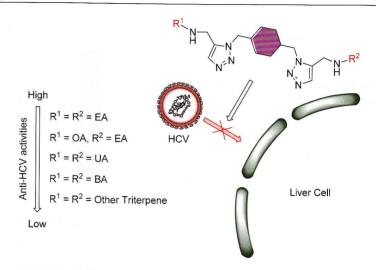
A novel non-enzymatic nitrite sensor based on MnOOH-PANI nanocomposites was fabricated and used for electrochemical sensing of nitrite.

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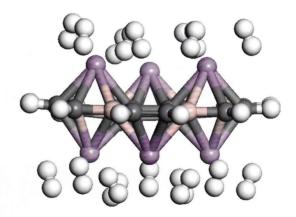
Design, Synthesis and Biological Evaluation of Pentacyclic Triterpene Dimers as HCV Entry Inhibitors



Lingkuan Meng, Qi Wang, Tao Tang, Sulong Xiao, Lihe Zhang, Demin Zhou, Fei Yu* A series of triterpene dimers bearing different scaffold were designed and synthesized via CuAAC reaction. Their anti-HCV entry activities were evaluated by HCVpp and VSVpp entry assays. Using a linker bearing a piperazine group, compound 14 dramatically increased its potency with IC_{50} at 2.87 nmol/L.

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Hydrogen Storage on Li Coated BC₃ Honeycomb Sheet



Using density functional theory, we investigated the hydrogen storage capacity of Li coated BC_3 honeycomb sheet. Our result indicates that when six Li atoms coated, the binding energy of each Li atom is 3.20 eV/atom, larger than the cohesive energy 1.63 eV/atom of bulk Li and prevents Li atoms from aggregation. Meanwhile, The largest hydrogen gravimetric density is 9.68 wt% and this is higher than the year 2020 target by the US Department of Energy. Also, the adsorption energy per H_2 is 0.206 eV, which is desirable for absorbing and desorbing H_2 molecules at nearly ambient conditions.

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