Research Group of Methods of Organic Synthesis



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RESEARCH PROFILE:

Development of new methodologies in synthetic organic chemistry

CURRENT RESEARCH ACTIVITIES:

We are interested in design and development of new organic transformations, based on fundamental reactivities of simple molecules and a canon of named reactions reported in the literature over decades. Examples of our studies are, e.g.: (1) Hawkins olefination with activated alkanesulfonates, which mimics mechanistic scheme of the Wittig reaction (cyclization and fragmentation of four-membered ring intermediate), (2) nucleophilic fluorination with aqueous bifluoride solution under phase-transfer catalyzed conditions, which enables efficient synthesis of acyl fluorides, (3) functionalization of arenesulfonyl fluorides by directed ortho-metalation with in situ electrophile trapping, and (4) Corey-Chaykovsky dearomatization of nitronaphthalene derivatives.

Our research concerns mainly classical methods of organic synthesis, based on unique features offered by organic derivatives of main group elements of the Periodic Table.

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