Literature Report



Enantioselective Synthesis of des-Epoxy-Amphidinolide N

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Background:

- ▶ 1962
 B.S., University of Pennsylvania
- > 1962-1965 Ph.D., Massachusetts Institute of Technology
- > 1965-1968 Assistant Professor, University of Wisconsin
- > 1968-1969 Associate Professor, University of Wisconsin
- > 1969-1987 Professor, University of Wisconsin
- > **1987-Now** Professor, Stanford University

Research:

- Designing new reactions and reagent involves the development of transition metal based catalysts.
- > Developing new synthetic strategies towards complex natural products.





2 Total Synthesis of *des*-Epoxy-Amphidinolide N

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Introduction





- Isolated from the symbiotic dinoflagellates of the genus Amphidinium in Okinawa;
- A complicated family member with a total of 13 stereocenters;
- Exhibit potent cytotoxicity against murine lymphoma L1210 and human epidermoid carcinoma KB cell lines.

Retrosynthetic Analysis



Southern Fragment Synthesis (First Generation)



Northern Fragment Synthesis (First Generation)



Trost, B. M.; Rey, J. Org. Lett. 2012, 14, 5632.

Northern Fragment Synthesis (First Generation)



Assembly of the Southern and Northern Fragments (I)



Assembly of the Southern and Northern Fragments (I)



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Epoxidation of Diene 10



entry	coditions	conv ^b	24:25 ^b	dr (24) ^b
1	DMDO	100%	0:100	N/A
2	<i>m</i> CPBA	100%	91:9	1.6:1
3	Ti(O [/] Pr) ₄ , TBHP, 4Å MS	100%	100:0	3:1
4	VO(acac) ₂ , TBHP, 5Å MS	100%	100:0	>1:20
5	3,5-di(CF ₃)-benzonitrile H ₂ O ₂ , KHCO ₃	72	88:12	6:1

Southern Fragment Synthesis (Second Generation)



Southern Fragment Synthesis (Second Generation)



Northern Fragment Synthesis (Second Generation)



Assembly of the Southern and Northern Fragments (II)



Highlighting a Judicious Protecting Group Strategy



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Southern Fragment Synthesis (Final Generation)



Southern Fragment Synthesis (Final Generation)



Northern Fragment Synthesis (Final Generation)



Northern Fragment Synthesis (Final Generation)





Completion of *des***-Epoxy-Amphidinolide N (41)**



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Summary



- 0.35% overall yields, 22 longest linear and 33 total steps
- Ru-catalyzed alkene-alkyne; Krische allylation; Pd-asymmetric allylic alkylation; Mukaiyama aldol; Marshall coupling; Ru-catalyzed alkene-alkyne; Keck allylation.

The First Paragraph

Macrolides provide a remarkable source for drug development due to their marvelous structural diversity and biological activity. For example, everolimus, an antirejection drug that is listed as one of the *Top 100 Brand Name Drugs by Retail Sales in 2016*, is essentially a rapamycin derivative. Therefore, syntheses and biological assessments of macrolides and their analogues have been enthusiastically pursued.

The amphidinolide family of natural products, isolated from the symbiotic dinoflagellates of the genus Amphidinium in Okinawa, is a unique class of cytotoxic macrolides. Over 40 members have been disclosed by Kobayashi, among which amphidinolide N (1) exhibits the most potent cytotoxicity against murine lymphoma L1210 and human epidermoid carcinoma KB cell lines, **The First Paragraph**

with IC_{50} values of 80 and 90 pM, respectively.

The Last Paragraph

In conclusion, *des*-epoxy-amphidinolide N (3) was accomplished in 22 longest linear and 33 total steps. The synthesis took advantage of a convergent design that efficiently joined two fragments with similar levels of structural complexity using a Ru-catalyzed alkenealkyne coupling and a macrolactonization. Three generations of synthetic endeavors were reported. The first generation validated the key Ru AA coupling stitching strategy and realized a challenging chemoselective allylic epoxidation of a complex macrocycle, but left installation of the α,α' -dihydroxy ketone moiety and scalable preparation of the southern fragment as unanswered questions. The second generation addressed the scalability of the southern fragment synthesis and significantly improved the Ru AA

The Last Paragraph

coupling efficiency, but revealed that the thioether was incompatible with the Rubottom oxidation alongside the deprotection troubles. Evolving from these two generations of synthetic efforts, the final generation not only logically designed the whole protecting group strategy but also successfully installed the C14-OH via a carefully tuned Rubottom oxidation, allowing us to realize the synthesis of *des*-epoxy-amphidinolide **N**. Several remarkable asymmetric transition-metalcatalyzed reactions were deployed, including Mukaiyama aldol (Sn), Marshall coupling (Pd-In), Pd-AAA (Pd), and Krische allylation (Ir). Structural elucidation of the THP ring of des-epoxy-amphidinolide N (41) not only verified our assignments but also led us to disclose the hydrogen-bonding network in **The Last Paragraph**

amphidinolide N (1).

Mukaiyama Aldol Reaction



Enyne Metathesis



Pd-catalyzed Asymmetric Allylic Alkylation



Trost, B. M. Org. ProcessRes. Dev. 2012, 16, 185.

Ru AA Coupling



Krische Allylation



Krische, M. J.; et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2016, 138, 5467.

Keck Asymmetric Allylation

