Literature Report 1

Total Synthesis of Stephadiamine

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Introduction





Vine stephania japonica

- Isolated from the Vine stephania japonica in 1984 by Taga et al;
- A highly strained pentacyclic skeleton arranged around an aza[4.3.3] propellane core;
- Four stereocenters, including a benzylic quaternary carbon and two adjacent α-tertiary amines in a cis-1,2 relationship.

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Retrosynthetic Analysis of Stephadiamine



















Aldol Condensation















TPAP Oxidation



Pinnick-Lindgren Oxidation













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Retrosynthetic Analysis of (-)-Sinoracutine





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Total Synthesis of (-)-Sinoracutine



Pauson-Khand Reaction



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Iodoamination-Kornblum Oxidation



Total Synthesis of (-)-Sinoracutine



Summary



- 24 Steps, 0.64% overall yield;
- The first total synthesis of stephadiamine;
- α -Allylation and decarboxylative Tsuji allylation;
- Aldol condensation.

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- 12 Steps, 6.72% overall yield;
- Pauson-Khand reaction;
- Claisen Type rearrangement;
- Iodoamination-Kornblum oxidation.

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Morphine and hasubanan alkaloids have inspired synthetic chemists for decades. Following the pioneering work of Gates on 1952, more than 30 total and formal syntheses of morphine have been published, some of them very recently. Many syntheses of hasubanonine and its congeners have appeared in the literature since the isolation of the first hasubanan alkaloid was reported by Konto et al. in 1951. Therefore, it is surprising that one of the most beautiful and challenging molecules in the series, stephadiamine, has been virtually ignored by the synthetic community.

In summary, we have achieved the first synthesis of the unusual alkaloid stephadiamine, in racemic form. Our synthesis is marked by a practical β -tetralone synthesis, the facile construction of the benzylic quaternary center through 2-fold alkylation, and a remarkably efficient cascade to forge the azapropellane core of 3. The installation of the α -amino lactone molety proved to be difficult but could eventually be achieved using a very small base and electrophile. It also required a carefully orchestrated sequence of oxidation and reductions in a densely functionalized setting. Finally, we have elaborated a pathway for the asymmetric synthesis of stephadiamine. The building blocks developed in this context, (R)-8 and (S)-8, could serve as valuable intermediates in the synthesis of a variety of hasubanan and morphine alkaloids, respectively.



Benzylic Oxidation with DDQ



Curtius Rearrangement



Mukaiyama Oxidation

