PhD Open Seminar

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Topic of Seminar: Carbon-carbon and carbon-chalcogen bond construction: Access to β -(nitroaryl)-indoles, dithioacetals and ebselenol antioxidants

Abstract

Biaryls and chalcogen-containing molecules serve important functions in general synthetic chemistry, as well as applications in the pharmaceutical industry and in material science. Transition metal catalyzed and transition metal-free cross-coupling reactions have been widely recognized for the construction of these carbon-carbon and carbon-chalcogen bonds.¹

This presentation will be focused on my doctoral research work which is based on carbon-carbon and carbon-chalcogen bond formation. We have developed a mild and simple oxidative cross coupling protocol for the synthesis of β -arylated indoles and its synthetic applications towards fused indoloindoles and biindoles. We have also developed a mild method for direct $C(sp^3)$ -H functionalization to access dithioacetals. In continuation of our work on organoselenium compounds, we have successfully synthesized novel organoselenium compounds ebselenols which have exhibited remarkable radical trapping and peroxide decomposing antioxidant activity.

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All are cordially invited to attend