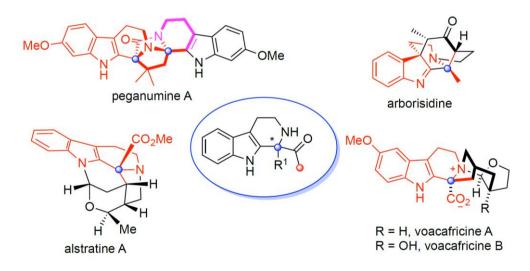




Catalytic Enantioselective Pictet-Spengler Reaction of Ketones:

Development and Applications in the Total Synthesis of Indole Alkaloids

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The asymmetric Pictect-Spengler reaction (PSR) between tryptamine and aldehydes is now well-developed. Conversely, catalytic enantioselective PSR of ketone is essentially unexploited. In this presentation, we will present our work on the catalytic enantioselective PSR of tryptamine with 1,2-diones, α -ketoesters and α -ketoamide for the synthesis of enantioenriched 1,1-Disubstituted tetrahydro- β -carboline (THBC) and their application in the total synthesis of monoterpene indole alkaloids.¹

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