

Special Issue

Asymmetric Reactions

Message from the Guest Editor

Asymmetric reactions have assumed growing importance among organic reactions since the beginning of this century. Metal chiral complexes as catalysts, chiral pool, easily available chiral organic products, and chiral organocatalysts have been employed to perform these syntheses. The widespread dissemination of this topic encouraged me to launch a Special Issue to enrich the knowledge of organic chemists, and, thus, new synthetic methods or reviews collecting data on known reactions are welcome. This Special Issue will be of interest to organic chemists developing new synthetic methods and others interested in their application to the preparation of chiral organic natural products employable in industry, medicine, and biology. The audience of potential readers is, therefore, very broad and I hope that many of you contribute your research to this Special Issue.

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