Development and applications of C(sp³)–H Alkenylation

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In the last decade, the transition metal-catalyzed intramolecular activation of unactivated C-H bonds has emerged as powerful method to transform otherwise inert entities.¹ Within this field, we recently developed a straightforward access to hexahydroindoles by intramolecular $C(sp^3)$ -H alkenylation starting from bromoalkenes.²



In this communication, we will report access to alkaloids by use of this intramolecular $C(sp^3)$ -H alkenylation. Firstly, the combination of this methodology with a directed $C(sp^3)$ -H arylation allowed to achieve a divergent synthesis of aeruginosins.³ In a second part, the development of a modular $C(sp^3)$ -H alkenylation leading to β -lactams,⁴ which are prevalent scaffolds found in numerous bioactive natural molecules, will be described.



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