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#### **EDUCATION**

#### **Ph.D., Organic Chemistry**, Harvard University

1998-2004

Thesis: Enantioselective metal-catalyzed thioester aldol and Mannich reactions

Advisor: Professor Matthew D. Shair

### **B.S., Chemistry**, University of Belgrade

1993-1998

Advisor: Professor Radomir N. Saicic

#### RESEARCH EXPERIENCE

Assistant Professor 2008–present

Department of Chemistry, University of Washington Developing new transformations for organic synthesis

#### **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**

2006-2008

Department of Chemistry & Chemical Biology, Harvard University

Enantioselective synthesis of platensimycin core

Advisor: Professor E.J. Corey

#### **Postdoctoral Research Fellow**

2004-2006

Department of Chemistry, University of California at Berkeley

Substitution reactions of monomeric zirconium imido and zirconium oxo complexes

Advisor: Robert G. Bergman

#### **Graduate Research Assistant**

1998-2004

Department of Chemistry & Chemical Biology, Harvard University

Enantioselective metal-catalyzed thioester aldol and Mannich reactions

Advisor: Prof. Matthew D. Shair

#### **Undergraduate Research Assistant**

Summer 1997

Department of Chemistry, Texas A&M University Selective functionalization of saturated hydrocarbons

Advisor: Professor Derek H. R. Barton

#### HONORS AND AWARDS

2013–2018 CAREER Award, National Science Foundation
 2002–2003 Eli Lilly Predoctoral Fellowship, Harvard University
 2002 Certificate of Distinction in Teaching, Harvard University
 1999–2000 Eli Lilly Predoctoral Fellowship, Harvard University



- 1998 Vojislav Stojanovic Award for Outstanding Academic Achievement, University of Belgrade, Serbia
- 1995–1998 Fellowship for Talented Students in Sciences and Arts, Ministry of Science, Serbia

#### **PUBLICATIONS** (all peer-reviewed)

- 30. Cox, N.; Whittaker, A. M.; Lalic, G. "Copper-catalyzed semi-reduction of alkynes." *Organic Syntheses* (invited manuscript in review).
- 29. Dang, H.; Whittaker, A. M.; Lalic, G. "Catalytic Activation of a Single C-F Bond in Trifluoromethyl Arenes." *Chem. Sci.* Advanced Article DOI: 10.1039/C5SC03415A.
- 28. Suess, A. M.; Uehling, M. R.; Kaminsky, W.; Lalic, G. "Mechanism of Copper-Catalyzed Hydroalkylation of Alkynes: An Unexpected Role of Dinuclear Copper Complexes." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 7747–7753. DOI: 10.1021/jacs.5b03086
- 27. Mailig, M.; Rucker, R. P.; Lalic, G. "Practical Catalytic Method for Synthesis of Sterically Hindered Anilines." *Chem. Comm.* **2015**, *51*, 11048–11051. DOI: 10.1039/c5cc03565a
- 26. Uehling, M. R.; Suess, A. M.; Lalic, G. "Copper-Catalyzed Hydroalkylation of Terminal Alkynes." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2015**, *137*, 1424–1427. DOI: 10.1021/ja5124368
- 25. Uehling, M. R.; Rucker, R. P.; Lalic, G. "Catalytic Anti-Markovnikov Hydrobromination of Alkynes." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2014**, *136*, 8799–8803. DOI: 10.1021/ja503944n
- 24. Dang, H.; Mailig, M.; Lalic, G. "Mild Copper-Catalyzed Fluorination of Alkyl Triflates with Potassium Fluoride." *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2014**, *53*, 6473–6476. DOI: 10.1002/anie.201402238
- 23. Cox, N.; Dang, H.; Whittaker, A. M.; Lalic, G. "NHC-copper hydrides as chemoselective reducing agents: catalytic reduction of alkynes, alkyl triflates, and alkyl halides." *Tetrahedron* **2014**, *70* (27-28), 4219–4231. (Invited article) DOI: 10.1016/j.tet.2014.04.004
- 22. Dang, H.; Cox, N.; Lalic, G. "Copper-Catalyzed Reduction of Alkyl Triflates and Iodides: An Efficient Method for the Deoxygenation of Primary and Secondary Alcohols." *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2014**, *53*, 752–756. DOI: 10.1002/anie.201307697
- 21. Cox, N.; Uehling, M. R.; Haelsig, K. T.; Lalic, G. "Catalytic Asymmetric Synthesis of Cyclic Ethers Containing an α-Tetrasubstituted Stereocenter." *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2013**, *52*, 4878–4882. (Highlighted in SYNFACTS) DOI: 10.1002/anie.201300174
- 20. Whittaker, A. M.; Lalic, G. "Monophasic Catalytic System for the Selective Semireduction of Alkynes." *Org. Lett.* **2013**, *15*, 1112–1116. (Highlighted in SYNFACTS) DOI: 10.1021/ol4001679
- 19. Rucker, R. P.; Lalic, G. "Copper-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination of Organoboron Compounds." *Synlett* **2013**, *24* (3), 269–274. (Invited SYPACTS article). DOI: 10.1055/s-0032-1317744
- 18. Rucker, R. P.; Whittaker, A. M.; Dang, H.; Lalic, G. "Synthesis of Tertiary Alkyl Amines from Terminal Alkenes: Copper-Catalyzed Amination of Alkyl Boranes." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2012**, *134*, 6571–6574. (Highlighted in SYFACTS) DOI: 10.1021/ja3023829



- 17. Rucker, R. P.; Whittaker, A. M.; Dang, H.; Lalic, G. "Synthesis of Hindered Anilines: Copper-Catalyzed Electrophilic Amination of Aryl Boronic Esters." *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2012**, *51*, 3953–3956. (Highlighted in SYNFACTS) DOI: 10.1002/anie.201200480
- 16. Uehling, M. R.; Marionni, S. T.; and Lalic, G. "Asymmetric Synthesis of Trisubstituted Allenes: Copper-Catalyzed Alkylation and Arylation of Propargylic Phosphates." *Org. Lett.* **2012**, *14*, 362–365. DOI: 10.1021/ol2031119
- 15. Whittaker, A. M.; Rucker, R. P.; Lalic, G. "Catalytic S<sub>N</sub>2'-Selective Substitution of Allylic Chlorides with Arylboronic Esters." *Org. Lett.* **2010**, *12*, 3216–3218. (Highlighted in SYNFACTS) DOI: 10.1021/ol101171v

## Prior to the University of Washington

- 14. Lalic, G.; Corey, E. J. "Enantioselective Rhodium(I)-Triethylamine Catalyzed Addition of Potassium Isopropenyltrifluoroborate to Enones." *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2008**, *49* (33), 4894-4896. DOI: 10.1016/j.tetlet.2008.05.147
- 13. Lalic, G.; Krinsky, J. L.; Bergman, R. G. "The Scope and the Mechanism of S<sub>N</sub>2' Substitution Reactions of a Monomeric Imidozirconium Complex With Allylic Electrophiles." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2008**, *130*, 4459–4465. DOI: 10.1021/ja7106096
- 12. Lalic, G.; Corey, E. J. "An Effective Enantioselective Route to the Platensimycin Core." *Org. Lett.* **2007**, *9*, 4921–4923. DOI: 10.1021/ol702323s
- 11. Fox, R. J.; Lalic, G.; Bergman, R. G. "Regio- and Stereospecific Formation of Protected Allylic Alcohols via Zirconium-Mediated S<sub>N</sub>2' Substitution of Allylic Chlorides." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2007**, *129*, 14144–14145. DOI: 10.1021/ja075967i
- 10. Lalic, G.; Blum, S. A.; Bergman, R. G. "Zirconium-Mediated S<sub>N</sub>2' Substitution of Allylic Ethers: Regio- and Stereospecific Formation of Protected Allylic Amines." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2005**, *127*, 16790–16791. DOI: 10.1021/ja056132f
- 9. Magdziak, D.; Lalic, G.; Lee, H.-M.; Fortner, K. C.; Aloise, A. D.; Shair, M. D. "Catalytic Enantioselective Thioester Aldol Reactions That are Compatible With Protic Functional Groups." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2005**, *127*, 7284–7285. DOI: 10.1021/ja051759j
- 8. Xu, K.; Lalic, G.; Sheehan, S. M.; Shair, M. D. "Dynamic Kinetic Resolution During a Cascade Reaction on Substrates with Chiral All-Carbon Quaternary Centers." *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2005**, *44*, 2259–2261. DOI: 10.1002/anie.200462039
- 7. Lalic, G.; Aloise, A. D.; Shair, M. D. "An Exceptionally Mild Thioester Aldol Reaction Inspired by Polyketide Biosynthesis." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2003**, *125*, 2852–2853. DOI: 10.1021/ja029452x
- 6. Burke, M. D.; Lalic, G. "Teaching Target-Oriented and Diversity-Oriented Organic Synthesis at Harvard University." *Chem. Biol.* **2002**, *9*, 535–541. DOI: 10.1016/S1074-5521(02)00143-6
- 5. Korbel, G. A.; Lalic, G.; Shair, M. D. "Reaction Microarrays: A Method for Rapidly Determining the Enantiomeric Excess of Thousands of Samples." *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2001**, *123*, 361–362. DOI: 10.1021/ja0034747
- 4. Lalic, G.; Petrovski, Z.; Galonic, D.; Matovic, R.; Saicic, R. N. "Alkylation of Carbonyl Compounds in the TiCl<sub>4</sub>-promoted Reaction of Trimethylsilyl Enol Ethers with Epoxides." *Tetrahedron* **2001**, *57* (3), 583–591. DOI: 10.1016/S0040-4020(00)01028-0



- 3. Sheehan, S. M.; Lalic, G.; Chen, J. S.; Shair, M. D. "A Highly Efficient and Convergent Reaction for the Synthesis of Bridgehead Enone-Containing Polycyclic Ring Systems." *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2000**, *39*, 2714-2715. DOI: 10.1002/1521-3773(20000804)39:15<2714::AID-ANIE2714>3.0.CO;2-1
- 2. Lalic, G.; Petrovski, Z.; Galonic, D.; Matovic, R.; Saicic, R. N. "Alkylation of Carbonyl Compounds in the TiCl<sub>4</sub>-promoted Reaction of Trimethylsilyl Enol Ethers with Ethylene Oxide." *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2000**, *41* (5), 763–766. DOI: 10.1016/S0040-4039(99)02149-8
- 1. Barton, D. H. R.; Lalic, G.; Smith, J. A. "The Selective Functionalization of Saturated Hydrocarbons. Part 42. Further Studies in Selective Phenylselenation." *Tetrahedron* **1998**, 54 (9), 1725–1734. DOI: 10.1016/S0040-4020(97)10397-0

#### **PATENTS**

1. Method for Analysis of Reaction Products. Matthew D. Shair; Gregory A. Korbel; Gojko Lalic, U.S. Patent Appl. 09/778,708, February 7, 2001.

#### INVITED LECTURES

- 24. Heterocycles Compounds Gordon Research Conference, Salve Regina University, Newport, RI, June 2016 (*scheduled*).
- 23. Johnson & Johnson Pharmaceutical Research & Development, San Diego, CA, June 18, 2015.
- 22. Gilead Sciences, Foster City, CA, May 12, 2015.
- 21. AbbVie, Worcester, MA, April 30, 2015.
- 20. Department of Chemistry, University of Illinois-Urbana-Champaign, IL, November 13, 2014.
- 19. Organic Reactions & Processes Gordon Research Conference, Bryant University, Smithfield, RI, July 18, 2014.
- 18. Organometallic Chemistry Gordon Research Conference, Salve Regina University, Newport, RI, July 8, 2014
- 17. Department of Chemistry, University of California-Berkeley, Berkeley, CA, April 8, 2014.
- 16. Department of Chemistry, Duke University, Durham, NC, September 20, 2013.
- 15. Department of Chemistry, University of North Carolina-Chapel Hill, Chapel Hill, NC, September 19, 2013.
- 15. The Scripps Research Institute, La Jolla, CA, June 5, 2013.
- 14. Department of Chemistry, University of California-Irvine, Irvine, CA, June 4, 2013.
- 13. Department of Chemistry, Princeton University, Princeton, NJ, May 28, 2013.
- 12. Department of Chemistry, Stanford University, Stanford, CA, May 14, 2013.
- 11. Department of Chemistry, Northwestern University, Evanston, IL, April 12, 2013.
- 10. Department of Chemistry, University of Illinois-Chicago, Chicago, IL, April 11, 2013.
- 9. Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, University of Texas-Austin, Austin, TX, March 27, 2013.



- 8. Department of Chemistry, University of Houston, Houston, TX, March 26, 2013.
- 7. Department of Chemistry, Boston College, Chestnut Hill, MA, February 26, 2013.
- 6. Department of Chemistry, University of Chicago, Chicago, IL, November 30, 2012.
- 5. Department of Chemistry, Bowling Green State University, Bowling Green, OH, September 20, 2012.
- 4. Department of Chemistry, Wayne State University, Detroit, MI, September 19, 2012.
- 3. Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, The Ohio State University, Columbus, OH, September 18, 2012.
- 2. Department of Chemistry & Biochemistry, University of Delaware, Newark, DE, September 5, 2012.
- 1. Department of Chemistry, Yale University, New Haven, CT, September 4, 2012.

#### **GRANTS**

#### Awarded

National Science Foundation (PI) 05/2013-05/2018 \$650,000

CAREER: Catalytic Methods for Hydrofunctionalization of Unsaturated Compounds

University of Washington (PI) 06/2012-06/2013 \$37,605

Royalty Research Fund

Catalytic Anti-Markovnikov Hydroamination and Hydrocyanation of Alkenes

#### **Not Awarded**

2014 NSF CHE 1464510 Transition metal catalyzed reactions of organofluorine compounds

2014 NIH 1R01GM112849-01 Transition metal catalyzed reactions of organofluorine compounds

2010 NIH 1R01GM097307-01 Copper-catalyzed reactions of organoboron compounds

2011 NIH 1R01GM099816-01 Copper-Catalyzed Functionalization of Organoboron Compounds

2011 NIH 1R01GM102421-01 New Organic Reactions Catalyzed by Late Transition Metal Complexes

#### PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES

#### **Journal Reviews**

Angewandte Chemie
Journal of the American Chemical Society
Nature Chemistry
Organic Letters
Chemical Science
ACS Catalysis

Chemical Communications

Journal of Organic Chemistry



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