## Enantioselective Total Synthesis of (-)-Acetylaranotin, a Dihydrooxepine Epidithiodiketopiperazine

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### Epidithiodiketopiperazine natural products

Epidithiokiketopiperazines (ETP) are a broad collection of fungal metabolites that contain at least 14 different core structures.

•Biosynthetically arise by the joining of two amino acids which are further functionalized via oxidative pathways

•Subset contains a 7-membered dihydrooxepine ring

Biological activity of dihydrooxepine containing ETPs include inhibition of viral RNA polymerase and antiproliferative/apoptotic activity against human cancer cells.



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# Catalytic asymmetric (1,3)-dipolar cycloaddition



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#### Synthesis of Acetylaranotin



# Synthesis of Acetylaranotin: dihydrooxepine formation



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#### Conclusion

- •Completed the first total synthesis of (-)-acetylaranotin in 18 steps (~0.45 % yield)
- •Synthetic highlights include:

•Rhodium-catalyzed cycloisomerization/chloride elimination to provide dihydrooxepine

•Azomethine ylide (1,3)-dipolar cycloaddition gave stereoselective access to functionalized pyrrolidine

•Complete retention of steroechemistry during epitetrathiodiketopiperazine formation