Construction of Two Vicinal Quaternary Carbons by Asymmetric Allylic Alkylation: Total Synthesis of Hyperolactone C and (-)-Biyouyanagin A**





Constructing Contiguous Stereogenic Quaternary Carbons

Carbocation Cascade



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Biyouyanagin A



- Isolated in 2005 from *H. chinense L. var.* salicifolium a Hypericum species (St. John's Wort *H. perforatum*)
- Japanese folk medicine for "female disorders"
- Inhibitory activity and selectivity against HIV replication in H9 lymphocytes (EC₅₀=0.798 μg/mL, TI>31.3)
- Therapeutic Index (TI)=LD₅₀/EC₅₀

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Previous Synthesis

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Title Paper

Goal: Use Pd-AAA reaction to provide a concise route to (-)-Biyouyanagin A



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Pd-AAA Reaction



Pd-AAA Reaction



Hyperlactone C



(-)-Biyouyanagin



Conclusions

- Pd-AAA was successfully extended to construct two vicinal quaternary carbon centers in high diastereoselectivity (up to 56:1 d.r.) and excellent enantioselectivity (99% ee)
- Hyperlactone C was synthesized in 6 steps 20% Yield
- (-)-Biyouyanagin A was synthesized in 7 steps 8% Yield
- Enantiomers could be prepared by switching the chiral ligand and by changing the final coupling partner