

Total Synthesis of (-)-Ambiguine P

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- Ambiguine indole alkaloids were isolated from blue-green algae in 1992 by Smitka, Moore et al.
- Exhibit a broad range of bioactivities including antimycotic, antifungal, and antibiotic properties.
- > The total synthesis of Ambiguine P was reported only recently by Sarpong, *JACS*, **2019**, *141*, 2233-22237.

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Previous retrosynthetic analysis by Sarpong et al

Retrosynthetic analysis

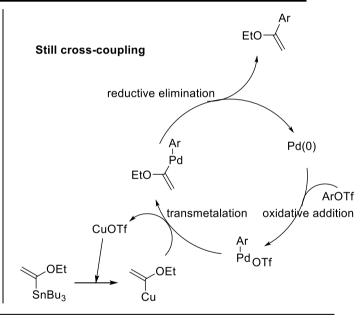
[4+3] Model reaction

Ketene formation and [2+2] cycloaddition

Ring-contraction

Elimination

Triflation
$$Me_3Si_1$$
 Me_3Si_2 Me_3Si_3 Me_3Si_4 Me_3Si_4



Acidic hydrolysis

Triflation

Silyl enol etherification

Micheal addition

Annulation

(The stereochemistry of OH is inconsequential)

Deprotection

Oxidation

Comparison