

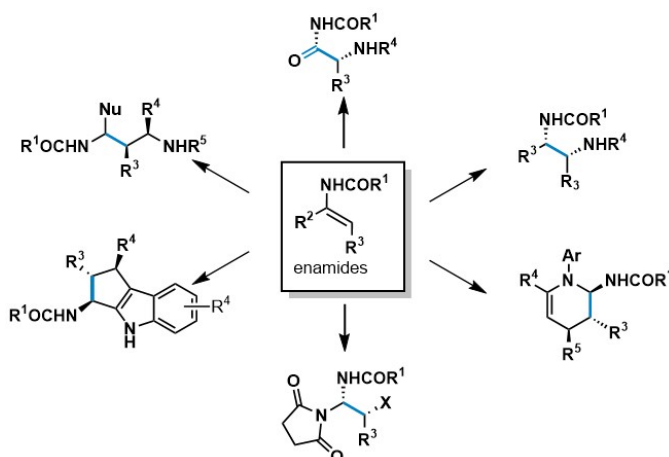
## Straightforward Strategies to Access N-containing Structure: Catalysis for the Benefit of Natural products

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Nitrogen-activated carbon-carbon double bonds, as demonstrated by successful existing works on enamines, have a high potential for the construction of various nitrogen-containing products.<sup>1</sup> In order to expand the application of this class of substrates, we have focused on studying the reactivity of the promising enamide derivatives.<sup>2</sup> Starting from the well-known aza-Diels-Alder reaction, we have gradually been drawn to develop other cycloaddition reactions and more generally an extended range of  $\alpha,\beta$ -difunctionalization methods.<sup>3</sup> Our most recent works involved radical processes, which contributed to significantly increase the diversity of scaffolds accessible from these nitrogenous substrates.<sup>4</sup> This lecture will detail our contribution towards the development of general approaches toward the synthesis of highly functionalized  $\alpha,\beta$ -substituted amines in the context of an ongoing study towards the synthesis of various biologically active natural and non-natural products.<sup>3,4</sup>



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