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diazonamide A







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calyculin A



zaragozic acid C

### The Napyradiomycins











- Isolated from a strain of Streptomyces bacteria
- · Demonstrate antibacterial properties and activity as a nonsteroidal estrogen antagonist
- · Structurally similar compounds have shown antitumor potency against colon carcinoma cells

#### **Napyradiomycin A1**

- Three stereocenters
- Tricyclic core with small aliphatic chain

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#### Leighton's Approach



• Chiral silane Lewis acid previously used in a number of acyl hydrazone nucleophilic addition manifolds

- Mannich-type reactions with silyl enol ethers
- [3+2] cycloadditions
- Friedel–Crafts alkylations
- Allylations

## What other nucleophiles can be added to hydrazones??



#### · Ring opened product obtained as single regioisomer and diastereomer

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## Alternate Ring-Opening Nucleophiles



• Addition of electron rich arenes sluggish (72 h reaction times) and low yielding

- Diastereochemical outcome implied equilibrium between two intermediates
- Addition of a Lewis acid should favor aziridine intermediate
- Brief survey of substrates showed good scope
  - Products obtained in good to moderate (50-80%) yields
  - Single regioisomers and diastereomers obtained with excellent enantioselectivity (>90% ee)

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## Applications and Conclusions

• General and highly efficient procedure to access  $\beta$ -chloro- $\alpha$ -hydrazido esters through an activated aziridine intermediate

- One step to densely functionalized heterocycles



- Treatment with secondary nucleophiles access differentially substituted amino acid derivatives
- Future Directions
  - Expanding nucleophile scope