

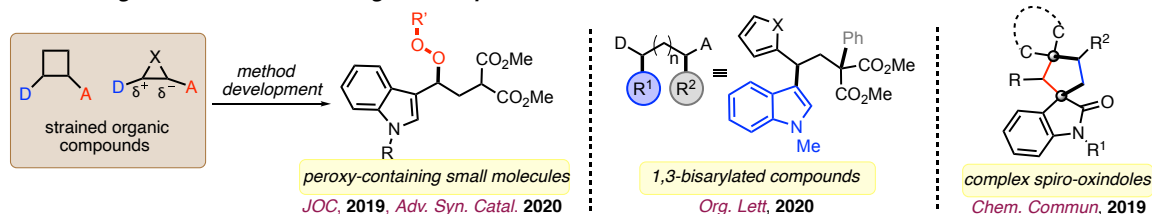
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## Research Statement:

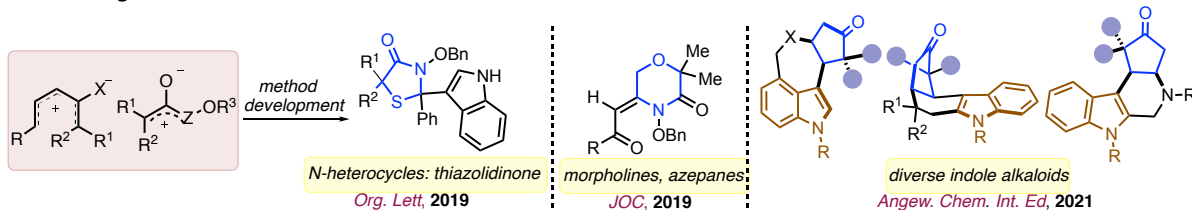
Modern synthetic chemistry by virtue of its power to create molecular structures with functions has emerged as the enabling science, impacting different ventures of biomedical research. It includes but not limited to the development of novel and efficient strategies for New Chemical Entities (NCEs) or design of the *smart* synthetic probes to gain deeper understanding of the diseases and disorders at molecular level. Our research program is directed towards the aforementioned objectives through development of new synthetic methodologies and catalytic processes that are coupled to the principles of medicinal chemistry.

## Summary of the current efforts

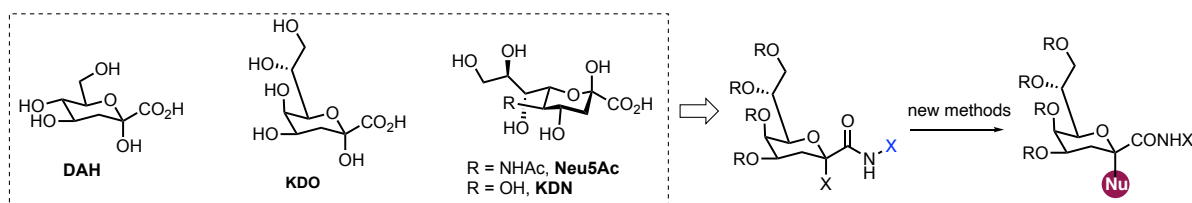
### methodologies based on strained organic compounds



### methodologies based on reactive intermediates



### synthesis of sialosides to study human anti-sialoside antibodies



## Current group and research funding:



### Publication:

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