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## RESEARCH AREA

Synthesis of artificial carbohydrate- and nucleoside analogues, using primarily radical thiol-ene coupling and reductive amination cyclization methods. Synthesis of new type of nucleic acids analogues e.g. cysteinyl nucleic acids, containing oligocysteine backbone instead of the natural sugar-phosphate motif. Developing new nucleoside analogs with antiviral, cytotoxic and antiprotozoa effects. Synthesis of new, fluorine containing morpholinos, with reductive amination, radical perfluoroalkyl iodide addition or N-trifluoromethylation (via dithiocarbamate). Evaluation of the Robinson-Schöpf reaction of nucleoside dialdehydes with (among others) biogene amines such as triptamine, dopamine etc. Synthesis of modified ascorbic acid derivatives.

## TECHNIQUES AVAILABLE IN THE LAB

Executing preparative organic chemistry tasks, including reactions in inert atmosphere and/or under waterfree circumstances. Regularly usage of photochemical reactions, induced by UV light or visible light, using different initiators and catalysts. Extraction, distillation. Thin layer chromatography for monitoring chemical reactions. Column chromatography and flash chromatography on silica gel. Characterisation of the obtained compounds: analysis of NMR and MS spectra.

## SELECTED PUBLICATIONS

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