

# Improving the Methodology for Complex Molecules

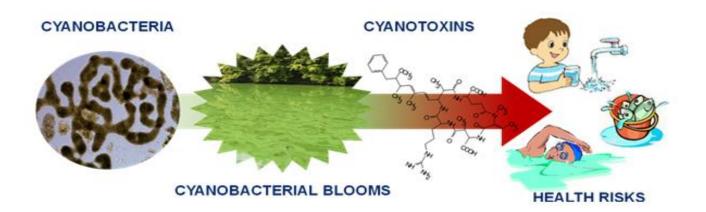
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## The Inspiration of the Project: Cylindrospermopsin



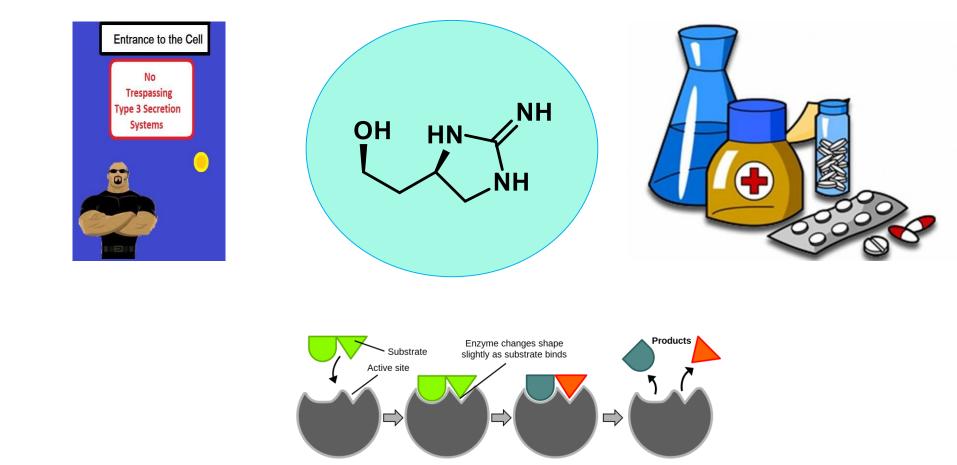






#### Numerous Natural Compounds contain the Cycloguanidine Moiety

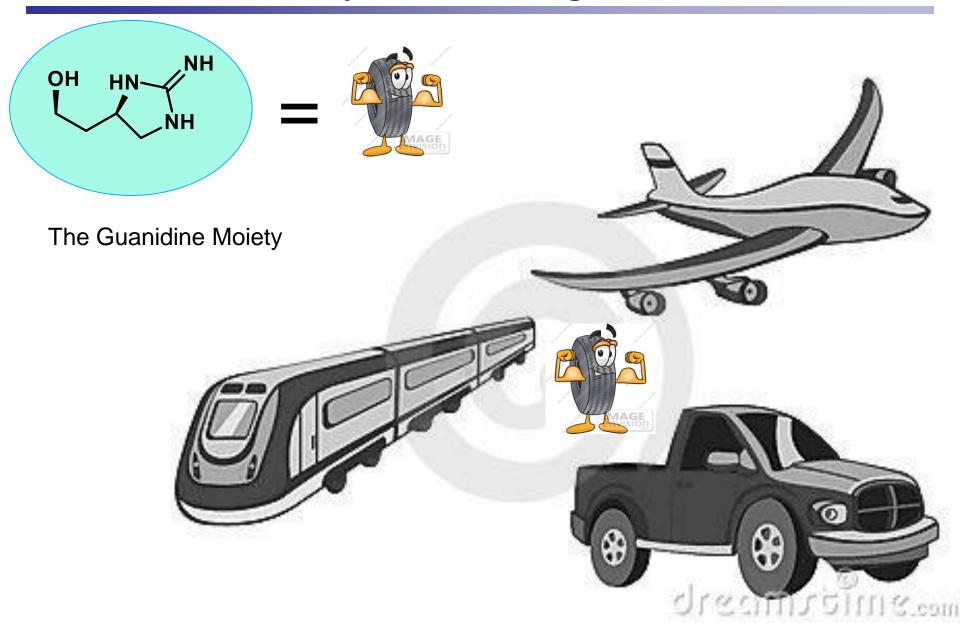
The Guanidine Moiety



Xie C.; Runnegar M.T.C.; and Snider B.B, *Journal of the American Chemical Society*, **2000**, Vol. 122 Kim H.; Kim M.Y.; Tae Kinsung, *Synlett*, **2009**, 18, 2949-2952

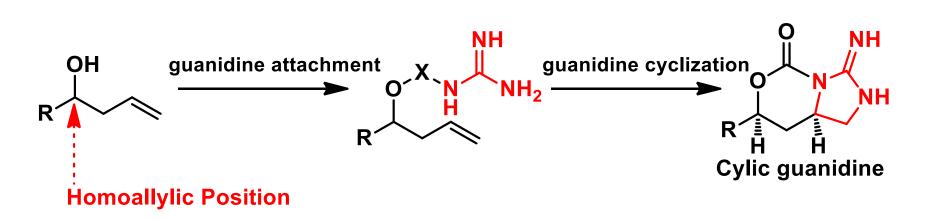


## **Guanidine Moiety is Part of Larger Framework**



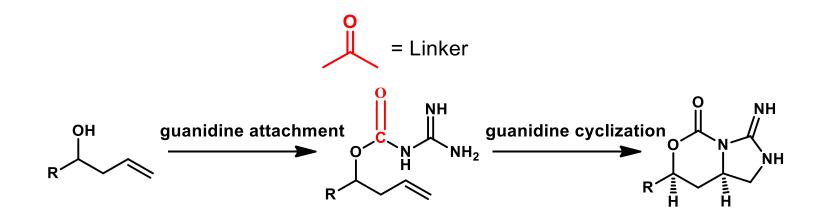


## What We Plan on Doing





# Linking Our Homoallyl Alcohol to Guanidine

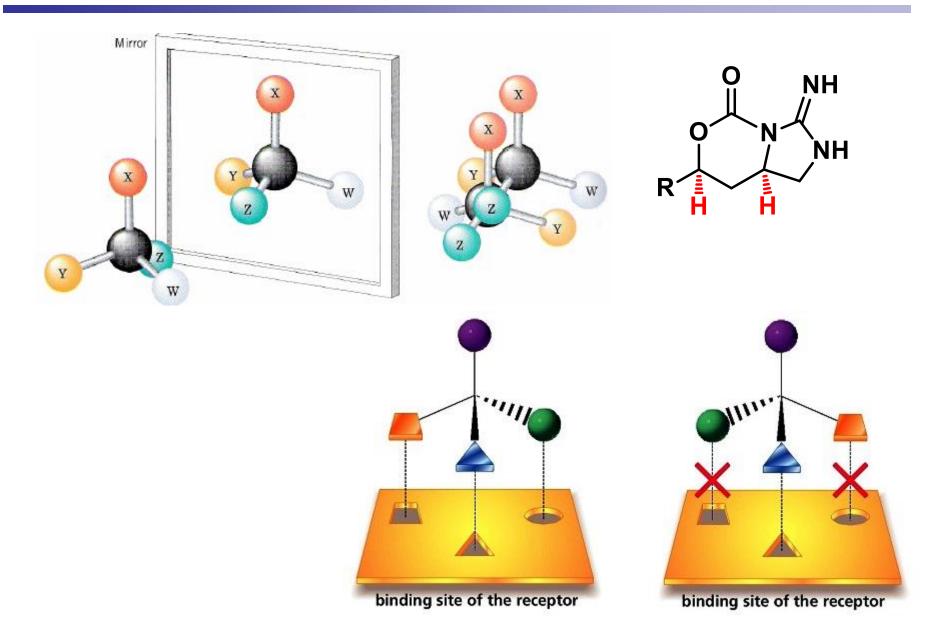


- We need a way to link guanidine to the homoallyl alcohol
- We use the carbonyl group as a linker!



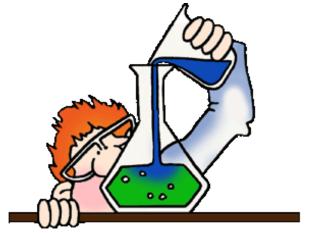


### **Importance of Cyclization: Stereoselctivity**

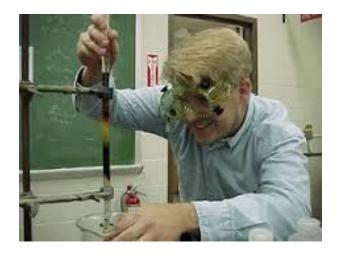




# Our Methods for our Methodology are Like a Recipe



Step 1: Putting two and two together



Step 3: Purifying your compound "workup"



Step 2: Letting Chemistry take its course

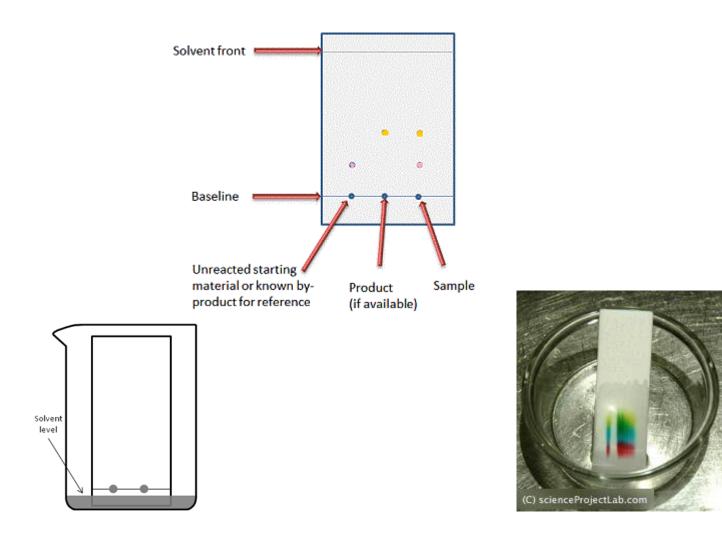


Step 4: Analysis



#### Chromatography is a Way to Determine Ability to Purify Compound

TLC: Thin Layer Chromatography



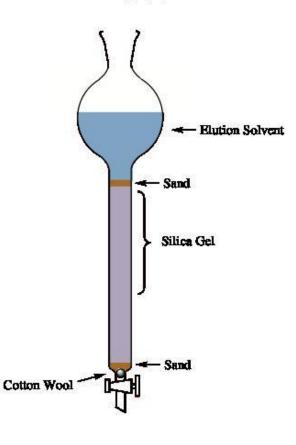
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# Chromatography is a Way to Purify your Compound

## Column Chromatography

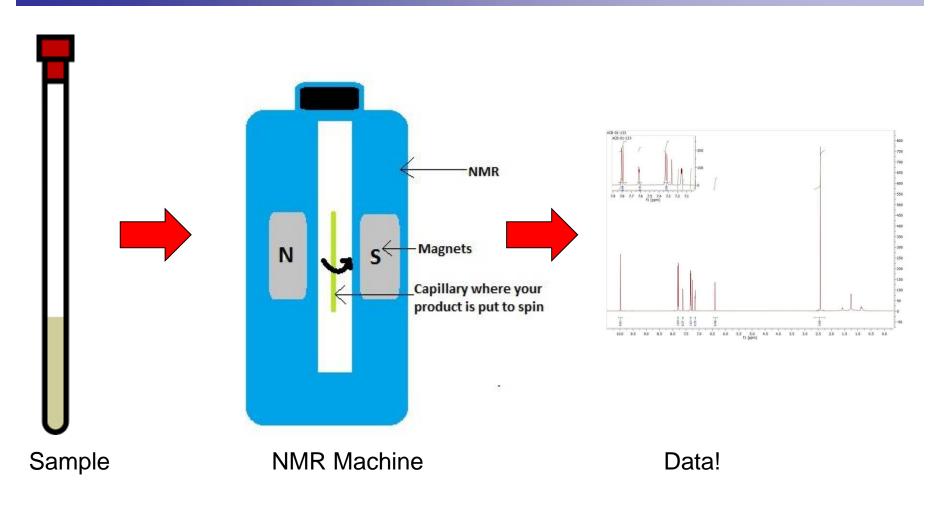
Flash Chromatography Column







## **Determining the Structure of the Compound by NMR**

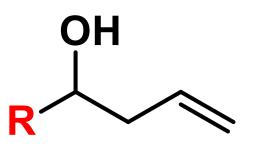


NMR= Nuclear Magnetic Resonance



#### **Determining How Well Different Functional Groups Respond to Our Method**

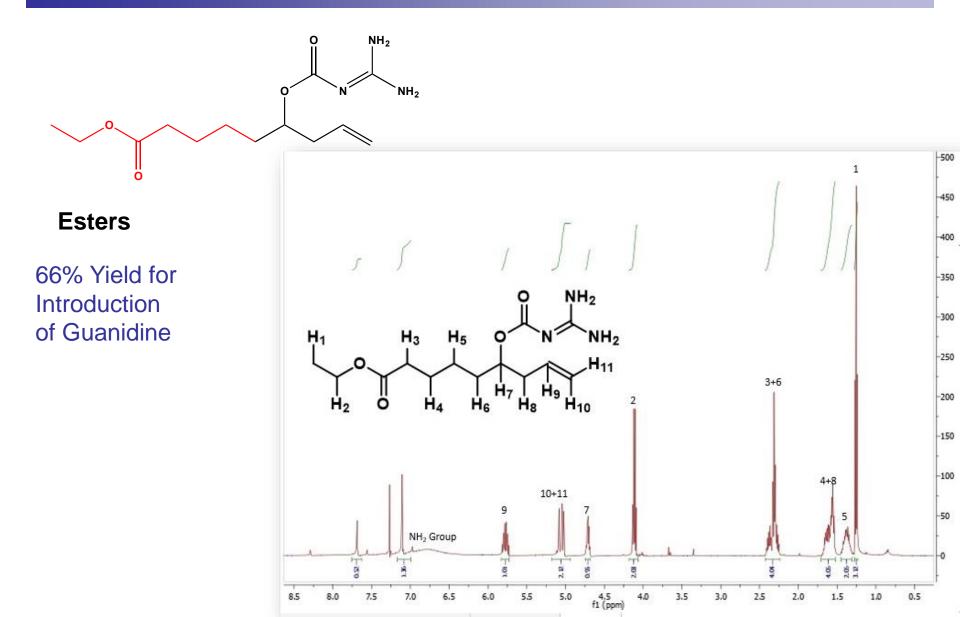




• How well will this go together?

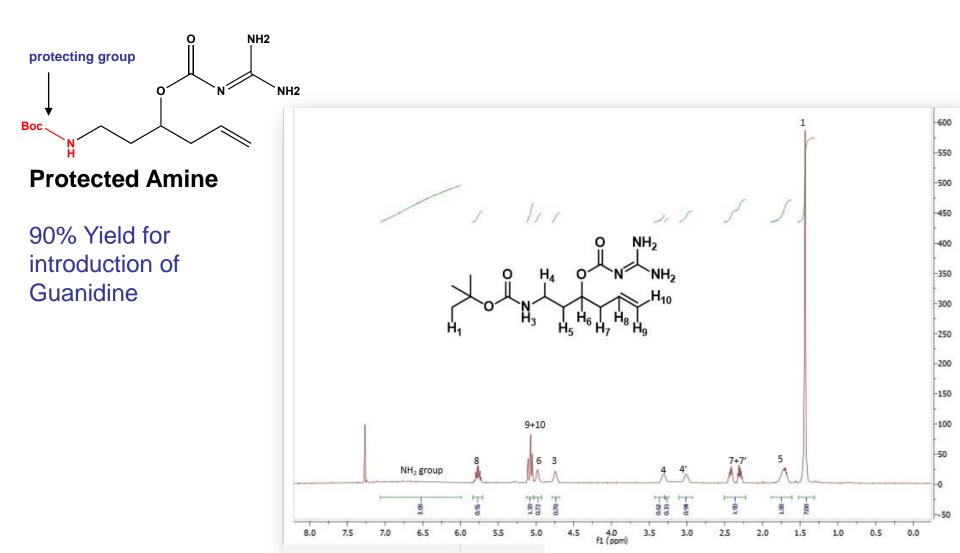


## **The Ester Substrate**



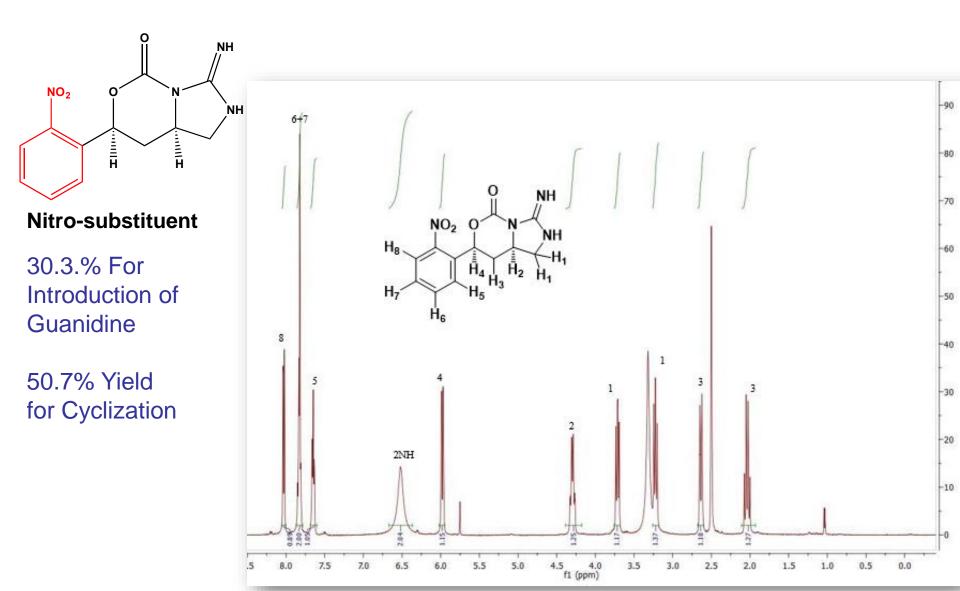


## **The Protected Amine Substrate**



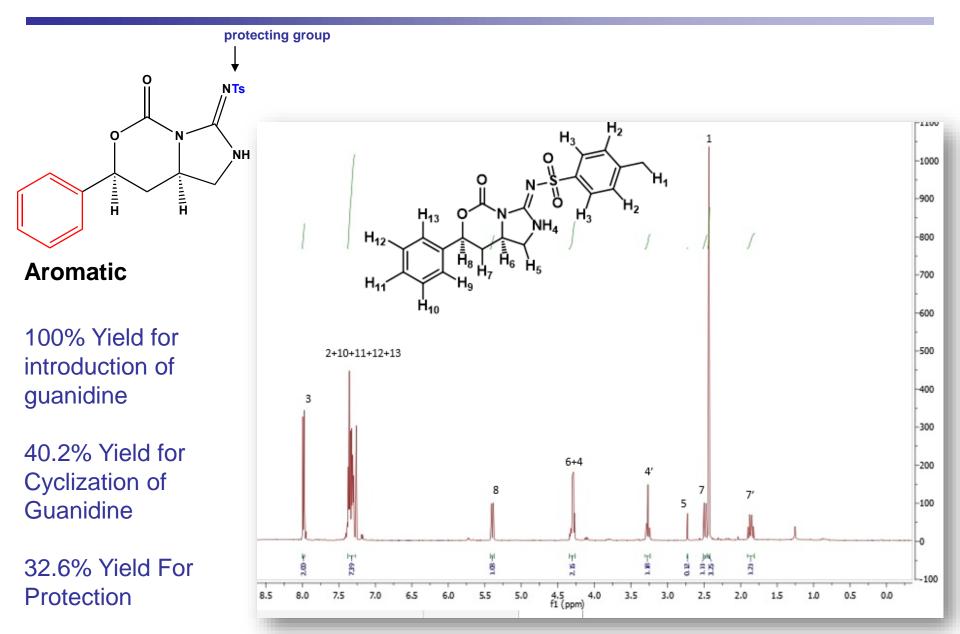


#### The Nitro Substituted Compound Resulted in a Good Yield and Purity



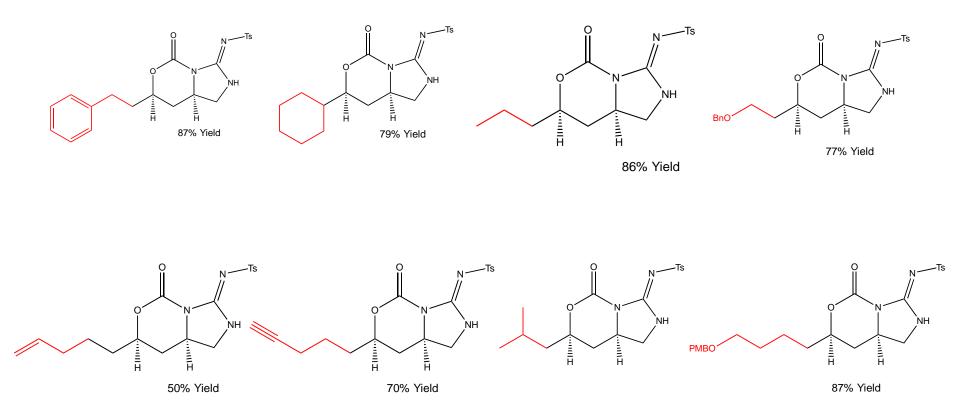


#### The Complete Synthesis and Protection of Aromatic Compound



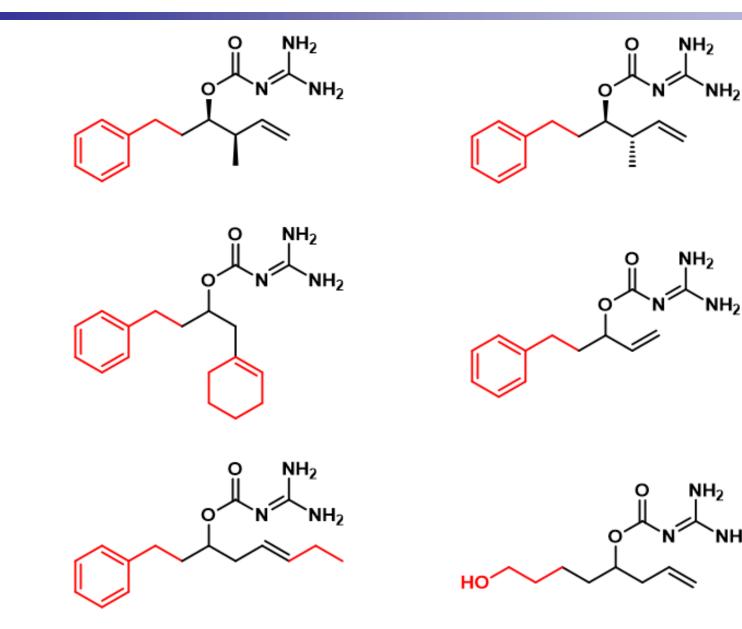


# **Previously Cyclized Compounds**





## **Future Syntheses**



'NH<sub>2</sub>



# Many Thanks!









