A Practical Synthesis of (-)-Oseltamivir



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First generation approach to Tamiflu: current manufacturing process



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Second generation approach



Several steps required high dilution. The yield of enzymatic resolution step is 20% Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2006**, 45, 7330

Desymmetrization approach to Oseltamivir



...still uses sodium azide....

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Corey's approach



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Shibasaki 1st approach



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Shibasaki 2nd approach



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Shibasaki 2nd approach contd..



Shibasaki 3rd approach



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Synthesis



Synthesis contd..



Synthesis contd..



Conclusion

- They employed inexpensive and commonly used reagents.
- Overall yield of lactone 13 from benzyl chloroformate was low, but the intermediate can be obtained as crystals on large scale.
- Other reactions proceed in high yield
- This synthesis begins with a readily available starting material as compare to shikimic acid.
- This route has great potential to synthesize tamiflu derivatives.