Heine reaction

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The chemist

• Picture not found

• Worked in Bucknell University

• He had a lot of students

The First Time to be reported

Heine, H. W.; Fetter, M. E.; Nicholson, E. M. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1959, 81, 2202.

The reaction

General Scheme

X: O, S, NR

Sovent: isopropanol, Acetone, Acetonitrile

Mechanism

Advantages:

Aziridine ring opening under mild and neutral conditions

Stereospecific

Reaction in the absence of I-

Heine, H. W. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 1962, 10, 528.

Application

Oxazolines are important motif in asymmetric catalysis.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
O & & O \\
N & N
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
R & R
\end{array}$$

Johnston, J. Evan, D. A. Acc. Chem. Res. 2000, 33(6), 325.

Application

Fe
$$CO_2Me$$
 CO_2Me CO_2Me

Bonini, B.F. et al. Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 2003, 14, 3321.

Application

Prabhakaran, E. N. Tetrahedron Lett. 2002, 43, 6461.

Thank You!