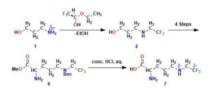


Brian Jameson, a Ph.D. student in chemistry, and his advisor, Dr. Rainer Glaser, professor of chemistry and interim vice provost of graduate education, have published articles in two peer-reviewed chemistry journals.

"Rotation-Inversion Isomerization of Tertiary Carbamates. Potential Energy Surface Analysis of Multi-Paths Isomerization Using Boltzmann Statistics" was selected by the editor of European chemistry journal *ChemPhysChem* as a cover feature and a cover profile. The results illustrate how the synergy of amino acid synthesis, 13C NMR spectroscopy and *ab initio* electronic structure studies provide unique insights into the dynamic stereochemistry associated with multi-paths E/Z rotation-inversion equilibria.



<u>"Unnatural Lysines with Reduced Sidechain N-Basicity. Synthesis of N-trifluoroethyl Substituted Lysine and Homologs"</u> is featured in the European chemistry journal <u>ChemSelect</u>. The authors report a highly efficient and flexible synthesis of unnatural lysines. The introduction of the N-trifluoroethyl group is the essential feature of these new unnatural lysines, and this feature enables carbamylation at significantly lower pH values. This work on unnatural amino acid

synthesis is a part, and a major milestone, of a larger project aimed at the development of RuBisCO mimetic CO2 capture and release systems from air.

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