

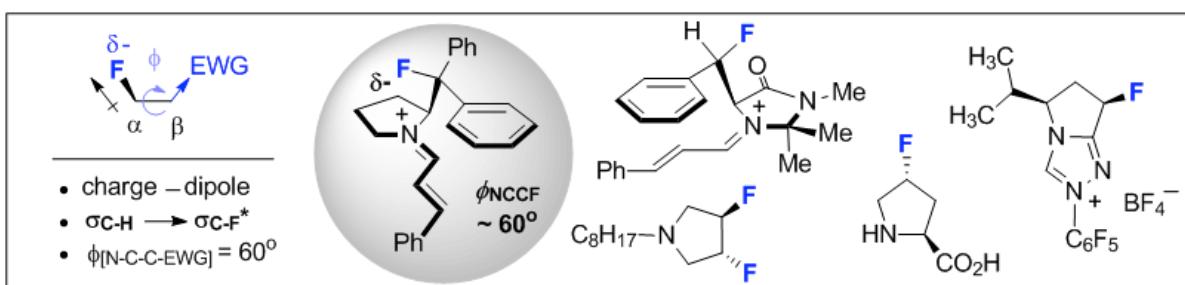
Physical Organic Principles in Organic Reaction Design.



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Molecular design strategies that profit from the intrinsic stereoelectronic and electrostatic effects of fluorinated organic molecules have mainly been restricted to bio-organic chemistry. Indeed, many fluorine conformational effects remain academic curiosities with no immediate application. However, the renaissance of organocatalysis offers the possibility to exploit many of these well-described phenomena for molecular preorganization. In this lecture, examples of catalyst refinement by introduction of an aliphatic C-F bond, which functions as a chemically inert steering group for conformational control, will be discussed.



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