

(±)-Indolizomycin (Danishefsky, 1990)



Introduction

- Indolizomycin was isolated in 1984 from two inactive streptomyces strains (Streptomyces tenjimariensis and Streptomyces grisline) joined by protoplast fusion.
- Interestingly the stereochemistry of the hemiaminal is unknown.
- The only completed synthesis of (±)-indolizomycin was reported by Danishefsky in 1990. This was followed up by a full paper describing the alternate routes and how an ultimately, unique and unprecedented strategy was used to complete the total synthesis.

Indolizomycin



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Structure Conformation

- Indolizomycin's hemiaminal is unstable, and the configuration remains unknown. Even after the total synthesis was completed! The stereochemistry of the chlorohydrin was determined by X-ray crystallography

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Synthesis



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