

Curriculum Vitae



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Research Interests:

1. Designing and synthesis of bioactive peptides and synthesis of pharmaceutical peptides in solid and solution phase
 2. New Methodologies in Organic Synthesis
 3. Designing of novel multicomponent and domino reactions in organic synthesis to access multifunctional compounds
 4. Amino acids in one-pot multicomponent reactions
 5. Synthesis of Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (API) compounds
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Publications:

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