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EXPERIENCE

Dr. C. Ben Schwamb is a patent agent in the New York office of Wilson Sonsini Goodrich & Rosati, where he is a member of the patents and innovations practice. He assists with the preparation and prosecution of patent applications in the fields of chemistry, pharmaceuticals, and biotechnology.

Prior to joining the firm, Ben conducted doctoral research at Northwestern University under the supervision of Professor Karl A. Scheidt, where he studied the design and application of N-heterocyclic carbene catalysts in the production of medicinally privileged small molecules. As a result of this experience, he has a strong background in the multi-step synthesis of complex organic and organometallic compounds, as well as the application of modern analytical methods for structural, electronic, and mechanistic characterization of molecules and reactions.

CREDENTIALS

Education

- Ph.D., Synthetic Organic Chemistry, Northwestern University, 2018
- B.A., Chemistry, Grinnell College, 2012
 With Honors

Admissions

• U.S. Patent and Trademark Office

INSIGHTS

Select Publications

- Co-author with C. T. Check, K. P. Jang, A. S. Wong, M. H. Wang, and K. A. Scheidt, "Ferrocene-Based Planar Chiral Imidazopyridinium Salts for Catalysis," 54(19) Angewante Chemie International Edition 4264-68, 2015
- Co-author with M. H. Wang, D. T. Cohen, R. K. Mishra, and K. A. Scheidt, "Enantioselective β-Protonation by a Cooperative Catalysis Strategy," 137(18) Journal of the American Chemical Society5891-94, 2015
- Co-author with M. H. Wang, D. N. Barsoum, D. T. Cohen, B. C. Goess, M. Riedrich, A. Chan, B. Maki, R. K. Mishra, and K. A. Scheidt, "Catalytic, Enantioselective β-Protonation Through a Cooperative Activation Strategy," 82(8) *The Journal of Organic Chemistry* 4689-4702, 2017
- Co-author with K. P. Fitzpatrick, A. C. Brueckner, C. H. Richardson, P. H.-Y. Cheong, and K. A. Scheidt, "Enantioselective Synthesis of α-Aminoboronates Catalyzed by Planar-Chiral NHC-Cu(I) Complexes," 140(34) *Journal of the American Chemical Society* 10644-48, 2018