Invited speaker

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Bringing orthogonality in the tetrazine ligation with (strained) alkenes

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About the talk

The Bonger lab is interested in developing novel bioorthogonal chemistry and apply this in the targeting of specific cell types. In their research, they observed exceptional high reaction rates in an iEDDA reaction between non-strained vinylboronic acids (VBAs) and tetrazines containing Lewis basic substituents, suggesting that coordination between the reactants promotes the tetrazine ligation. In her talk, Kimberly Bonger will present the scope and molecular origins of the observed VBA reactivity and the VBA toolbox as chemically-triggered cleavable linkers for targeted drug delivery.