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## **Selected Publications**

- Highly Stereoselective Chlorination of β-Substituted Cyclic Alcohols Using PPh<sub>3</sub>– NCS: Factors That Control the Stereoselectivity. (Jaseer, E. A.; Naidu, A. B.; Kumar, S.S.; Koteshwar Rao, R.; Thakur, K. G.; Sekar, G. *Chem. Commun.*, 2007, 867–869)
- Highly Efficient Copper-Catalyzed Domino Ring Opening and Goldberg Coupling Cyclization for the Synthesis of 3, 4-Dihydro-2*H*-1, 4-benzoxazines.
  (Koteshwar Rao, R.; Naidu, A. B.; Sekar, G. *Org. Lett.*, 2009, *11*, 1923-1926) This article is one of the Top 20 Most Accessed articles in May 2009. This paper has been featured in *Synfacts* 2009, *08*, 841.
- Synthesis of Optically Active 1,4-Benzoxazine Derivatives using Palladium Catalyzed Coupling Kinetic Resolution. (Koteshwar Rao, R.; Sekar, G. *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* 2011, 22, 948)
- 4. Domino aziridine ring opening and Buchwald–Hartwig type coupling-cyclization by palladium catalyst.

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