



## RESEARCH TOPIC FOR THE PARISTECH/CSC PHD PROGRAM (one page maximum)

Field: Chemistry, Physical Chemistry and Chemical Engineering

Subfield: Organic chemistry

**Title:** Total synthesis of tulearin A and analogues

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## Short description of possible research topics for a PhD:

Tulearins constitute a small family of macrolides isolated from a Madagascar sponge of the *Fascaplysinopsis* genus. The potent anti-proliferative activity of Tulearin A against two human leukemia cell lines made it an interesting target and two total synthesis of this compound have been reported. As part of our ongoing research directed toward the synthesis of biologically relevant compounds,<sup>[1-2]</sup> we propose in this PhD program to develop an efficient total

synthesis of Tulearin A and of analogues of the natural product, using new catalytic systems to introduce the various stereogenic centers.<sup>[3-5]</sup>

## Required background of the student:

Main field of study of the applicant before applying: organic chemistry. Synthetic Organic Chemistry, Homogeneous Catalysis

## A list of 5 (max.) representative publications of the group:

- 1. Echeverria, P.-G.; Prévost, S.; Cornil, J.; Férard, C.; Reymond, S.; Guérinot, A.; Cossy, J.; Ratovelomanana-Vidal, V.; Phansavath, P. *Org. Lett.* **2014**, *16*, 2390.
- 2. Perez, M.; Echeverria, P.-G.; Martinez-Arripe, E.; Ez Zoubir, M.; Touati, R.; Zhang, Z.; Genet, J.-P.; Phansavath, P.; Ayad, T.; Ratovelomanana-Vidal, V. *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2015**, 5949.
- 3. L.-S. Zheng, C. Férard, P. Phansavath, V. Ratovelomanana-Vidal Chem. Commun. 2018, 54, 283.
- 4. B. He, P. Phansavath, V. Ratovelomanana-Vidal *Org. Lett.* **2019**, *21*, 3276.
- 5. A. Westermeyer, G. Guillamot, P. Phansavath, V. Ratovelomanana-Vidal *Org. Lett.* **2020**, 22, 3911.