



"Precious metals and allenes: from divergent systems to bimetallic catalysis"

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Dr. Paz Muñoz Herraz studied Chemistry at the Universidad Autónoma de Madrid until June 1999, when she finished her Master in Chemistry (Organic Chemistry). In July 2001 she obtained her Diploma Thesis at the same University under the supervision of Prof. Antonio M. Echavarren, and then carried out her Ph.D. in Chemistry in the same group. She did a postdoc in Bristol in the group of Prof. Lloyd-Jones where she held the positions of Research Assistant, Post-Doctoral Fellow and, finally, Research Associate. In May 2009, Dr. Muñoz returned to Madrid, Spain, with a Ramón y Cajal Award to work at the Insituto de Química Orgánica General (IQOG-CSIC), where she started her research into the discovery of new platinum-catalysed reactions of allenes. She joined the University of East Anglia as Lecturer in Chemistry from September 2011 and was promoted to Senior Lecturer in 2017. Paz is an organic chemist with particular interest in the discovery and development of new organic and organometallic reactions, the use of physical-organic-inorganic chemistry knowledge to study the mechanisms involved, in particular using isotopic labelling, kinetics and NMR techniques, and the application of the knowledge acquire to the synthesis of small organic and organometallic molecules withapplications in diverse areas, from advances in synthetic methodologies to medicinal chemistry, drug discovery and more recently marine science. Her current research involves the discovery and development of novel transition metal-catalysed reactions of allenes, including: platinum- and goldcatalysed addition of nucleophiles to allenes; metalcatalysed reaction of polyallenic systems; synthesis of metal complex with allenic ligands for catalysis and as metallodrugs; mechanistic studies on metal-catalysed reactions of allenes; and development of new methodologies involving heterobimetallic catalysis. Her group is also working on the development of novel fluorescent probes with application in marine science in collaboration with groups in the School of Environmental Sciences at UEA.

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