

# Empowering Natural Product Drug Discovery through Biosynthesis

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Cross coupling and homocoupling reactions are important organic transformations that conjoin hydrocarbon fragments through the aid of a metal catalyst. Nature has evolved a myriad of approaches to similarly couple organic molecules through enzyme catalysis using redox proteins. One evolving method involves the use of halogenating enzymes to activate C-H bonds for regioselective and stereoselective coupling reactions. In my lecture, I will summarize our current understanding of different approaches employed by halogenases and holoperoxidases to facilitate various types of coupling reactions in marine actinomycete biosynthesis toward the merochlorine, marinopyrrole, and chlorizidine antibiotics.

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