

## Some Recent Developments in the Synthesis of Peptides and Peptide Conjugates

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Alan Katritzky was educated at Oxford and Cambridge (member of five Oxbridge colleges). He held faculty positions at Cambridge and East Anglia before migrating in 1980 to the University of Florida, where he is now Kenan Professor and Director for the Institute for Heterocyclic Compounds. His h-index is 77 from 38,187 citations of 1,927 items and some 800 graduate students and post-docs, and lectured and consulted world-wide. He led the team, which produced “Comprehensive Heterocyclic Chemistry I, II, and III” totaling 31 volumes, he has edited “Advances in Heterocyclic Chemistry, Vols. 1 through 102” and conceived the plan for “Comprehensive Organic Functional Group Transformations I and II”.

His text “Heterocyclic Chemistry” is translated into seven languages and formed the basis of “Handbook of Heterocyclic Chemistry”, now in its third edition. He founded Arkat-USA, a non-profit which publishes “Archive for Organic Chemistry” (ARKIVOC) electronic journal completely free to authors and readers. Honors include 14 honorary doctorates from 10 countries, medals or prizes from 13 countries, and membership or foreign membership of the National Academies of Britain, Catalonia, India, Poland, Russia and Slovenia. He is Cavaliere Ufficiale of the order “al Merito della Repubblica Italiana”.