Grignard Reagents For The Asymmetric Allylic Substitution

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Professional Career
Alexandre Alexakis was born in Alexandria in 1949. He graduated from Paris VI university in 1970 and received his PhD in 1975. After a postdoctoral stay at Johns Hopkins University, he joined the CNRS at Pierre et Marie Curie University in 1977, being appointed Directeur de Recherche in 1985. In 1994 he was awarded the Silver Medal of the CNRS. In 1996 he moved from CNRS to Pierre et Marie Curie University as full Professor (1st class), then to the University of Geneva in 1998. In 2002 he was awarded the Novartis Lectureship Award.

Research Interests
His research focuses on asymmetric synthesis and methodologies, using both metal catalysts, particularly copper reagents, and non-metallic catalysts (organocatalysis).

Other Activities
- Dean of the School of Chemistry & Biochemistry (since 2010)
- Member of the Editorial Board of European Journal of Organic Chemistry
- Member of the Advisory Board of Tetrahedron: Asymmetry, Tetrahedron and Tetrahedron Letters
- Member of the Editorial Board of Chimia
- Member of the Editorial Board of Beilstein Journal of Organic Chemistry