

# Prof. Dr Paolo Melchiorre

## Full Publication List

### PUBLICATIONS

116 Research Articles  
 14 Reviews/Highlight Articles  
 7 Book Chapters  
 3 Patents

**Paolo Melchiorre** (author profile): *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2009**, *48*, 3389 [\[link\]](#)

PM has an h-factor of **65** and has attracted a total of 12300 citations for the period 1999-2021 (source: *ISI-Web of Science* as of September 24, 2021).

3 most important publications:

**Photochemical generation of radicals from alkyl electrophiles using a nucleophilic organic catalyst**  
 Bertrand Schweitzer-Chaput, Matthew A. Horwitz, Eduardo de Pedro Beato, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Nature Chem.* **2019**, *11*, 129–135. [\[Link\]](#)

**Asymmetric catalytic formation of quaternary carbons by iminium ion trapping of radicals**  
 John J. Murphy, David Bastida, Suva Paria, Maurizio Fagnoni, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Nature* **2016**, *532*, 218–222

**Photochemical activity of a key donor–acceptor complex can drive stereoselective catalytic α-alkylation of aldehydes**  
 Elena Arceo, Igor D. Jurberg, Ana Álvarez-Fernández, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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131. **Catalytic asymmetric C–C cross-couplings enabled by photoexcitation**  
 G. E. M. Crisenza, A. Faraone, E. Gandolfo, D. Mazzarella, P. Melchiorre,  
*Nature Chem.* **13**, 575–580 (2021) [\[link\]](#)

130. **A General Organocatalytic System for Electron Donor–Acceptor Complex Photoactivation and Its Use in Radical Processes**  
 Eduardo de Pedro Beato, Davide Spinnato, Wei Zhou, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2021**, *143*, 12304–12314 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

129. **A General Organocatalytic System for Enantioselective Radical Conjugate Additions to Enals**  
 Emilien Le Saux, Dengke Ma, Pablo Bonilla, Catherine M. Holden, Danilo Lustosa, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2021**, *60*, 5357–5362 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

128. **Photochemical Chemoselective Alkylation of Tryptophan-Containing Peptides**  
 Benjamin Laroche, Xinjun Tang, Gaétan Archer, Riccardo Di Sanza, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Org. Lett.* **2021**, *23*, 285–289 ([\[Link\]](#))

127. **Synthetic Methods Driven by the Photoactivity of Electron Donor–Acceptor Complexes**  
 Giacomo E. M. Crisenza, Daniele Mazzarella, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2020**, *142*, 5461–5476 (review, open access [\[Link\]](#))

126. **Chemistry glows green with photoredox catalysis**  
 Giacomo E. M. Crisenza, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Nat. Commun.* **2020**, *11*, article number: 803 (review, open access [\[Link\]](#))

125. **A Photochemical Organocatalytic Strategy for the alpha-Alkylation of Ketones by using Radicals**  
 Davide Spinnato, Bertrand Schweitzer-Chaput, Giulio Goti, Maksim Oseka, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2020**, *59*, 9485–9490 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

124. **Amide Synthesis by Nickel/Photoredox-Catalyzed Direct Carbamoylation of (Hetero)Aryl Bromides**  
 Nurtalya Alandini, Luca Buzzetti, Gianfranco Favi, Tim Schulte, Lisa Candish, Karl Collins, Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2020**, *59*, 5248–5253 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**123. Photochemical generation of acyl and carbamoyl radicals using a nucleophilic organic catalyst: applications and mechanism thereof**

Eduardo de Pedro Beato, Daniele Mazzarella, Matteo Balletti, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Chem. Sci.* **2020**, 11, 6312–6324 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**122. Photo-Organocatalytic Enantioselective Radical Cascade Enabled by Single-Electron Transfer Activation of Allenes**

Luca A. Perego, Pablo Bonilla, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Adv. Synth. Catal.* **2020**, 362, 302–307 (EN Jacobsen special issue)

**121. Photochemical Asymmetric Nickel-Catalyzed Acyl Cross-Coupling**

Eugenio Gandolfo, Xinjun Tang, Sudipta Raha Roy, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2019**, 58, 16854–16858 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**120. Photochemical C-H Hydroxyalkylation of Quinolines and Isoquinolines**

Bartosz Biesczad, Luca A. Perego, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**119. A Redox Active Nickel Complex that Acts as an Electron Mediator in Photochemical Giese Reactions**

Thomas van Leeuwen, Luca Buzzetti, Luca A. Perego and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2019**, 58, 4953–4957 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**118. Photochemical Organocatalytic Borylation of Alkyl Chlorides, Bromides, and Sulfonates**

Daniele Mazzarella, Giandomenico Magagnano, Bertrand Schweitzer-Chaput and Paolo Melchiorre  
*ACS Catal.* **2019**, 9, 5876–5880 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**117. A visible-light mediated three-component radical process using dithiocarbamate anion catalysis**

Sara Cuadros, Matthew A. Horwitz, Bertrand Schweitzer-Chaput and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**116. Photochemical generation of radicals from alkyl electrophiles using a nucleophilic organic catalyst**

Bertrand Schweitzer-Chaput, Matthew A. Horwitz, Eduardo de Pedro Beato, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**115. Stereocontrolled Synthesis of 1,4-Dicarbonyl Compounds by Photochemical Organocatalytic Acyl Radical Addition to Enals**

Giulio Goti, Bartosz Biesczad, Alberto Vega-Peña, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2019**, 58, 1213–1217 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**114. Mechanistic Studies in Photocatalysis**

Luca Buzzetti, Giacomo E. M. Crisenna, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2019**, 58, 3730–3747 (review - open access, [\[Link\]](#))

**113. Enhancing the potential of enantioselective organocatalysis with light**

Mattia Silvi, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Nature* **2018**, 554, 41–49 (review [\[Link\]](#))

**112. Enantioselective radical conjugate additions driven by a photoactive intramolecular iminium-ion-based EDA complex**

Zhong-Yan Cao, Tamal Ghosh, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Nat. Commun.* **2018**, 9, 3274 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**111. Organocatalytic Strategies to Stereoselectively Trap Photochemically Generated Hydroxy-o-quinodimethanes**

Sara Cuadros and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2018**, 2884–2891 (review)

**110. Asymmetric photocatalytic C–H functionalization of toluene and derivatives**

Daniele Mazzarella, Giacomo E.M. Crisenna, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2018**, 140, 8439–8443 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**109. Photo-Organocatalytic Enantioselective Radical Cascade Reactions of Unactivated Olefins**

Pablo Bonilla, Yannick P. Rey, Catherine Holden, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**108. Enantioselective Photochemical Organo-Cascade Catalysis**

Łukasz Woźniak, Giandomenico Magagnano, and Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2018**, *57*, 1068–1072 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**107. Direct Stereoselective Installation of Alkyl Fragments at the  $\beta$ -Carbon of Enals via Excited Iminium Ion Catalysis**

Charlie Verrier, Nurtalya Alandini, Cristofer Pezzetta, Mauro Moliterno, Luca Buzzetti, Hamish B. Hepburn, Alberto Vega-Peñaiza, Mattia Silvi, Paolo Melchiorre  
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**106. Visible-Light Excitation of Iminium Ions Enables the Enantioselective  $\beta$ -Alkylation of Enals**

Mattia Silvi, Charlie Verrier, Yannick Rey, Luca Buzzetti, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**105. Studies on the Enantioselective Iminium Ion Trapping of Radicals Triggered by an Electron-Relay Mechanism**

Ana Bahamonde, John J. Murphy, Marika Savarese, Erik Bremond, Andrea Cavalli, Paolo Melchiorre  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2017**, *139*, 4559–4567 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**104. Radical-based C-C Bond-Forming Processes Enabled by the Photoexcitation of 4-Alkyl-1,4-dihydropyridines**

Luca Buzzetti, Alexis Prieto, Sudipta R. Roy, Paolo Melchiorre  
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**103. Forging Quaternary Fluorine Stereocenters by a Light-driven Organocatalytic Aldol Desymmetrization Process**

Sara Cuadros, Luca Dell'Amico, Paolo Melchiorre  
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**102. Enantioselective Formal  $\alpha$ -Methylation and  $\alpha$ -Benzylation of Aldehydes by Means of Photo-Organocatalysis**

Giacomo Filippini, Mattia Silvi, Paolo Melchiorre  
*Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2017**, *56*, 4447–4451 (open access [\[Link\]](#))

**101. Light-Driven Enantioselective Organocatalytic  $\beta$ -Benzylation of Enals**

Luca Dell'Amico, Victor M. Fernández-Alvarez, Feliu Maseras, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**100. Light-triggered Enantioselective Organocatalytic Mannich-type Reaction**

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**99. Asymmetric catalytic formation of quaternary carbons by iminium ion trapping of radicals**

John J. Murphy, David Bastida, Suva Paria, Maurizio Fagnoni, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**98. Mechanism of the Stereoselective  $\alpha$ -Alkylation of Aldehydes Driven by the Photochemical Activity of Enamines**

Ana Bahamonde, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**97. Enantioselective Vinylogous Organocascade Reactions**

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**95. Brønsted acid-catalysed conjugate addition of photochemically generated  $\alpha$ -amino radicals to alkenylpyridines**

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**94. Light opens pathways for nickel catalysis**

John J. Murphy, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**93. Diastereodivergent organocatalysis for the asymmetric synthesis of chiral annulated furans**

Charlie Verrier, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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**92. Enantioselective Organocatalytic Alkylation of Aldehydes and Enals Driven by the Direct Photoexcitation of Enamines**

M. Silvi, E. Arceo, I. D. Jurberg, C. Cassani, and P. Melchiorre  
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**91. Photo-organocatalytic Enantioselective Perfluoroalkylation of  $\beta$ -Ketoesters**

Łukasz Woźniak, John J. Murphy, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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Victor M. Fernández-Alvarez, Manuel Nappi, Paolo Melchiorre, and Feliu Maseras  
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**85. Enantioselective direct  $\alpha$ -alkylation of cyclic ketones by means of photo-organocatalysis**

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**84. Asymmetric Vinyllogous Diels–Alder Reactions Catalyzed by a Chiral Phosphoric Acid**

Xu Tian, Nora Hofmann, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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- 81. Vinylogous Organocatalytic Triple Cascade Reaction: Forging Six Stereocenters in Complex Spiro Oxindolic Cyclohexanes**  
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Igor Jurberg, Indranil Chaterjee, René Tannert, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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- 76. Synthesis of 9-amino(9-deoxy)epi cinchona alkaloids, general chiral organocatalysts for the stereoselective functionalization of carbonyl compounds**  
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Paolo Melchiorre  
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Xu Tian, Yankai Liu, and Paolo Melchiorre  
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Elena Arceo, and Paolo Melchiorre

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Giulia Bergonzini and Paolo Melchiorre

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Michele Retini, Giulia Bergonzini, and Paolo Melchiorre

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Yankai Liu, Manuel Nappi, Eduardo C. Escudero-Adán, and Paolo Melchiorre

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*Chem. Asian J.* **2010**, 5, 1652–1656 [\[link\]](#)Highlighted in *Synfact* **2010**, 949**54. Controlling Stereoselectivity in the Aminocatalytic Enantioselective Mannich Reaction of Aldehydes with In Situ Generated N-Carbamoyl Imines**

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R. Dalpozzo, L. Sambri, G. Bartoli, P. Melchiorre

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