

A Concise Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Asteriscunolide C

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(1) A 12-membered to a strained 11-membered ring: first stereoselective total synthesis of (–)-asteriscunolide C, Fernandes, R. A.; Chavan, V. P. *Chem. Commun.* **2013**, *49*, 3354.