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Education and training

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Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Chemistry
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Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Modern organic synthesis of nucleoside analogues directed against HIV replication.
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	University of Caen Basse-Normandie, Faculty of Pharmacy, Center for Drug Research and Studies of Normandy (CERMN)
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Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Synthesis of compounds with biological activity; Modern organic synthesis of nucleoside analogues directed against HIV replication; Physical chemistry methods used for characterization of substances : FTIR, RMN spectroscopy, Mass Spectrometry, GC-MS
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Principal subjects/occupational skills covered	Synthesis of compounds with biological activity; Modern organic synthesis of nucleoside analogues directed against HIV replication; Physical chemistry methods used for characterization of substances : FTIR, RMN spectroscopy, Mass Spectrometry, GC-MS
Name and type of organisation providing education and training	University of Caen Basse-Normandie, Faculty of Pharmacy, Center for Drug Research and Studies of Normandy (CERMN)
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RESEARCH INTEREST

Synthesis and structure determination of new heterocyclic compounds with potential biological activity (anticancer, antimicrobial, antiviral)
Synthesis, purification and characterization new heterocyclic compounds, particularly *oxadiazoles*, *thiadiazoles*, *triazoles* and also other molecules biologically active with antibacterial and antioxidant properties. Synthesis and characterization of new heterocyclic compounds with NMR, MS, UV-Vis, IR spectra.

Modern organic synthesis applied to obtain heterocyclic compounds with S, N and O, as well as tioamidelor α , β -unsaturated. Study the structure-reactivity relationships (photochemical properties, thermal stability, coordination properties, biological activity, etc.).

Study of antiviral compounds (anti-HIV) and methods of analysis of biologically active compounds.

Extraction of volatile oils from plants and determining of the composition, antioxidant activity, biological properties, applications in medicine and cosmetics.

List of selected publications

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