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## Nome gruppo Synthesis of Organic Materials and Bioactive molecules



Our research activity is centered on interdisciplinary innovation at the intersection of biomolecular science, sustainable chemistry, and advanced materials science. A key focus lies in precision medicine, particularly in the development and evaluation of small-molecule therapies that address genetic disorders caused by nonsense mutations, such as cystic fibrosis, duchenne muscular dystrophy, primary immunodeficiency diseases etcetera. These studies demonstrate a commitment to translating molecular discoveries into therapeutic applications with real clinical potential.

In parallel, our work in **green and sustainable chemistry** emphasizes the design and synthesis of **eco-friendly materials** derived from renewable resources, such as soybean oil and cellulosic compounds. These materials are tailored for high-performance applications in **wastewater treatment** and **organic dye adsorption**, contributing to environmental remediation. We also explore transition from conventional synthetic pathways into more **sustainable and efficient approaches**, particularly for the synthesis of heterocycles—valuable compounds in pharmaceuticals and materials.

Together, these research directions reflect a cohesive strategy that combines **scientific rigor**, **technological relevance**, and **societal impact**, aiming to advance both human health and environmental sustainability. Our work bridges fundamental science with application-driven goals, leveraging chemistry as a central tool for solving complex challenges across disciplines.





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