

## 270-ISMS32 Rapid and Efficient Synthesis of Deuterated Cyclobutane Derivatives Using Continuous Photo Flow Chemistry

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New deuterated cyclobutane derivatives, *cis*-3-(*tert*-butoxycarbonyl)-2,3,4-*d*<sub>3</sub>-cyclobutanecarboxylic acid (**3c**) and *cis*-3-((benzyloxycarbonyl)methyl-*d*<sub>2</sub>)cyclobutane-1,2,4-*d*<sub>3</sub>-carboxylic acid *tert*-butyl ester (**5**) were synthesized efficiently as building blocks useful for the preparation of corresponding deuterated drug candidates used as internal standard compounds in clinical pharmacokinetic studies by means of LC/MS/MS analyses.

Introduction of 3 deuterium atoms onto cyclobutane ring system has been achieved to afford (**3c**) by deuteration of (**2b**) which was prepared efficiently (3.6 g/10 h) using continuous photo flow chemistry reaction of (**1b**). Homologation of (**3c**) using the Wolff rearrangement in the presence of benzylalcohol-*O-d*<sub>1</sub> led to formation of (**5**) successfully with excellent isotope purity. The relative configurations of 3 deuterium atoms onto cyclobutane ring system were revealed by means of NMR.

