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The author presented on this page has recently published his **10th article** in Angewandte Chemie in the last 10 years:

"An Organometallic Inhibitor for the Human Repair Enzyme 7,8-Dihydro-8-oxoguanosine Triphosphatase": M. Streib, K. Kräling, K. Richter, X. Xie, H. Steuber, E. Meggers, Angew. Chem. **2014**, *126*, 311–315; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2014**, *53*, 305–309.



The work of E. Meggers has been featured on the cover of Angewandte Chemie: "Isomerization-Induced Asymmetric Coordination Chemistry: From Auxiliary Control to Asymmetric Catalysis": L. Gong, Z. Lin, K. Harms, E. Meggers, Angew. Chem. **2010**, 122, 8127–8129; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **2010**, 49, 7955–7957.

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Current research	Metal-containing enzyme inhibitors; chiral-at-metal complexes for asymmetric catalysis;
interests:	asymmetric coordination chemistry; organometallic catalysis in biological systems
Hobbies:	Playing chess and, upon retirement, hopefully returning to doing experimental research

## My favorite food is ... anything with curry.

My favorite place on earth is ... San Diego, closely followed by Xiamen.

like refereeing because ... it forces me to engage myself with a single piece of work in detail.

The most significant scientific advance of the last 100 years has been ... the amazing advances in analytical methods.

The biggest problem that scientists face is ... that they don't have enough time to do science.

What I look for first in a publication is ... a clear message.

My favorite piece of research is ... Alfred Werner's contributions to octahedral stereochemistry.

f I won the lottery, I would ... definitely not use it for funding my own research.

chose chemistry as a career because ... of fortunate circumstances, since I actually started studying physics and mathematics.

My secret/not-so-secret passion is ... eating candy.

f I were not a scientist, I would be ... an architect. I just enjoy thinking about the design of attractive yet functional working and living environments.

## My 5 top papers:

- "Asymmetric Catalysis with Substitutionally Labile yet Stereochemically Stable Chiral-at-Metal Iridium(III) Complex": H. Huo, C. Fu, K. Harms, E. Meggers, J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2014, 136, 2990–2993. (The chiral Lewis acid catalyst exploits metal centrochirality as the sole element of chirality.)
- "Asymmetric Catalysis with Inert Chiral-at-Metal Iridium Complex": L.-A. Chen, W. Xu, B. Huang, J. Ma, L. Wang, J. Xi, K. Harms, L. Gong, E. Meggers, J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2013, 135, 10598–10601. (Organocatalysis with the organic ligand sphere of a metal complex.)
- "Chiral-Auxiliary-Mediated Asymmetric Synthesis of Ruthenium Polypyridyl Complexes": L. Gong, M. Wenzel, E. Meggers, Acc. Chem. Res. 2013, 46, 2635 –

2644. (Summarizes our developed strategies for the asymmetric synthesis of chiral metal complexes.)

- "Structurally Sophisticated Octahedral Metal Complexes as Highly Selective Protein Kinase Inhibitors": L. Feng et al., J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2011, 133, 5976-5986. (Demonstrates the merit of using inert octahedral metal complexes as scaffolds for the design of enzyme inhibitors.)
- "Exploring Chemical Space with Organometallics: Ruthenium Complexes as Protein Kinase Inhibitors": E. Meggers, G. E. Atilla-Gokcumen, H. Bregman, J. Maksimoska, S. P. Mulcahy, N. Pagano, D. S. Williams, *Synlett* 2007, 8, 1177–1189. (Summarizes our early work on exploiting kinetically inert organometallics as protein kinase inhibitors.)

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