

# GENEALOGY DATABASE ENTRY

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discovered the cycloaddition reaction of electron deficient alkenes to strained cycloalkanes;  
elucidated the mechanism of transition-metal promoted isomerization of strained-ring systems; used  
X-ray photoelectron spectroscopy (ESCA) to characterize catalysts and other chemical systems;  
studied the effects of electron-withdrawing substituents on the reactivity of organic molecules.

1. *Chem. Eng. News* **1993**, 71(17), 7.