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**STUDIES ON THE LEWIS ACID CATALYZED REACTION OF A BICYCLIC AZIRIDINE WITH ALCOHOLS**

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Oxazolidinones are a class of compounds that have antimicrobial properties, and they can be used to treat bacterial infections. My research involves the synthesis of an oxazolidinone through a bicyclic aziridine intermediate. The three-membered ring in the bicyclic aziridine is opened by an alcohol in the presence of a Lewis acid to form the oxazolidinone. This procedure is versatile because there are a variety of alcohols and Lewis acids that can be used to open the ring, resulting in a number of different oxazolidinones.

