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## PS #9 - Planning the Synthesis of a Complex Target Containing a Heterocyclic Core

**Part A)** Lipitor (Pfizer) is the number one selling drug in the world, with 2006 sales of US\$12.9 billion. It was first synthesized by Bruce Roth in 1985 when he was with Pfizer. He was later named the 2008 Hero of Chemistry by the American Chemical Society. The patent on Lipitor is due to expire in 2010. Create your own synthesis of generic Lipitor. A good synthetic route is one that is efficient, cheap and direct and, if it's really good, one day you could be a Hero of Chemistry too.

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The pyrrole heterocycle can be generated via condensation. Before proposing a synthesis, disconnect the pyrrole ring into two reasonable fragments. As a group, design a synthesis of Lipitor based on the disconnection of the pyrrole ring. You may use **any molecules containing 7 carbon atoms or less**, including the **epoxide starting material** below.

