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**New Synthesis of 1-[(3,4-Dimethoxyphenyl)methoxymethyl]-6,7-dimethoxyisoquinoline (Setigerine), a Naturally Occurring Alkaloid, and Some Derivatives of Papaverine.** — Dichlorinated dihydroisoquinolines (**II**) are converted into isoquinolines or iminoacetals depending on the concentration of sodium methoxide in methanol. This reaction is applied to the synthesis of the naturally occurring alkaloid setigerine (**VII**). — (JACOBS, J.; TUYEN, N. V.; MARKUSSE, P.; STEVENS, C. V.; MAAT, L.; DE KIMPE\*, N.; Tetrahedron 65 (2009) 6, 1188-1192; Dep. Org. Chem., Fac. Biosci. Eng., Univ. Gent, B-9000 Gent, Belg.; Eng.) — Bartels

