

**Frontiers in Chemical Synthesis II**  
*Heterocyclic Chemistry*

**Seminar Program**  
**May 11-12, CH G1 495**

	Speaker	Title
<b>May 11, 2015</b>		
<b>Session I: New Synthetic Methods for Heterocycle Synthesis</b> Chair: Paola Caramenti		
9h00-10h00	Cyril Piemontesi	<i>The Synthesis of Pyridine Derivatives using N-Heteroatom Pyridinium Species</i>
10H00-11h00	Julia Pedroni	<i>Gamma-Lactam Synthesis via Transition-Metal Catalyzed Carbonylation Reactions</i>
11h00-12h00	Daniele Perrotta	<i>Catalytic Enantioselective 1,3-Dipolar Cycloadditions of Azomethine Ylides</i>
<b>Session II: Synthesis of Heterocycle-Containing Drugs and Natural Products</b> Chair: Julia Pedroni		
13h00-14h00	Daria Grosheva	<i>Synthesis of Indolizidine Alkaloids</i>
14H00-15h00	Grigory Karateev	<i>Synthetic Routes to the Best Selling Drugs Containing 6-Membered Heterocycles</i>
15h00-16h00	Nicolas Gaeng	<i>Selected Syntheses of Spirocyclic Natural Products</i>
<b>May 12, 2015</b>		
<b>Session III: Heterocycles as Catalysts and Ligands</b> Chair: Cyril Piemontesi		
9h00-10h00	Paola Caramenti	<i>1,2,3 Triazoles in Catalysis</i>
10h00-11h00	Romain Tessier	<i>L-Histidine and its Derivatives as Organocatalysts</i>

# The Synthesis of Pyridine Derivatives using *N*-Heteroatom Pyridinium Species

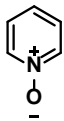
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*Cyril Piemontesi*

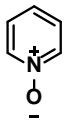


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Laboratory of Synthesis and Natural Products (LSPN)



1. Pyridinium N-Oxide
  1. Overview of the synthesis of PNO
  2. Overview of the reduction of PNO
  3. C-C bond
  4. N-C bond
  5. S-C bond
  6. Cl/Br-C bond
2. N-N pyridinium salt
  1. C-C bond
  2. N/S/P-C bond
3. N-S and N-Si pyridinium salt
4. Metalation
  1. PNO
  2. *In situ* activated Py
5. TM-catalyzed arylation
6. Conclusion and outlook
7. Answers



## Introduction to PNO

First description of PNO by Meisenheimer in 1926<sup>1</sup>

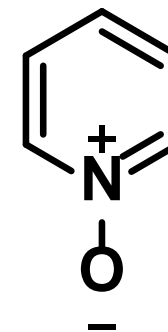
More than 20'000 1 step reactions of PNO (SciFinder) + patents

More nucleophilic than pyridine ( $\pi$ -back-donating character)

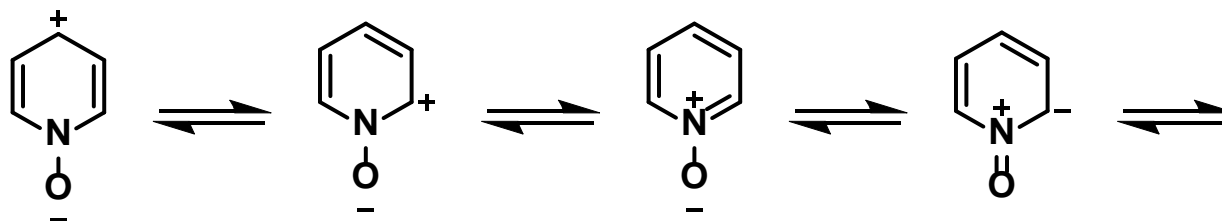
More electrophilic than pyridine ( $\sigma$ -electron-withdrawing character)

Strong dipole moment (4.37 D vs 2.03 D for pyridine)

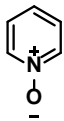
Weak base ( $pK_a = 0.79$  vs  $pK_a = 5.2$  for pyridine)



Attack from/to positions 2, 4 and 6 and O

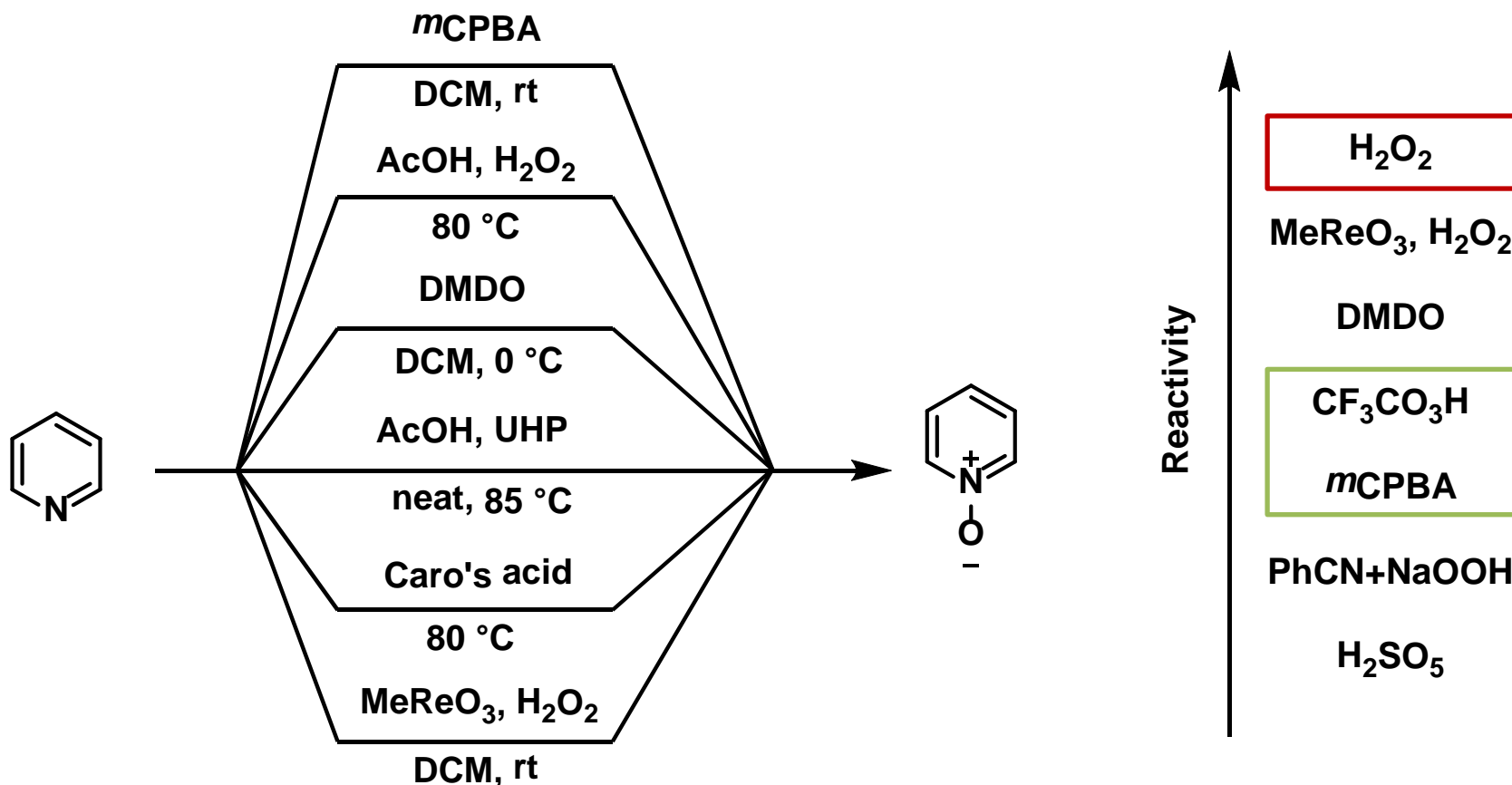


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2. Review: Lam, J. N. *Heterocycles* **1992**, 33, 1011.

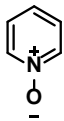


# Synthesis of PNO from pyridine

Simple oxidation of pyridine to PNO

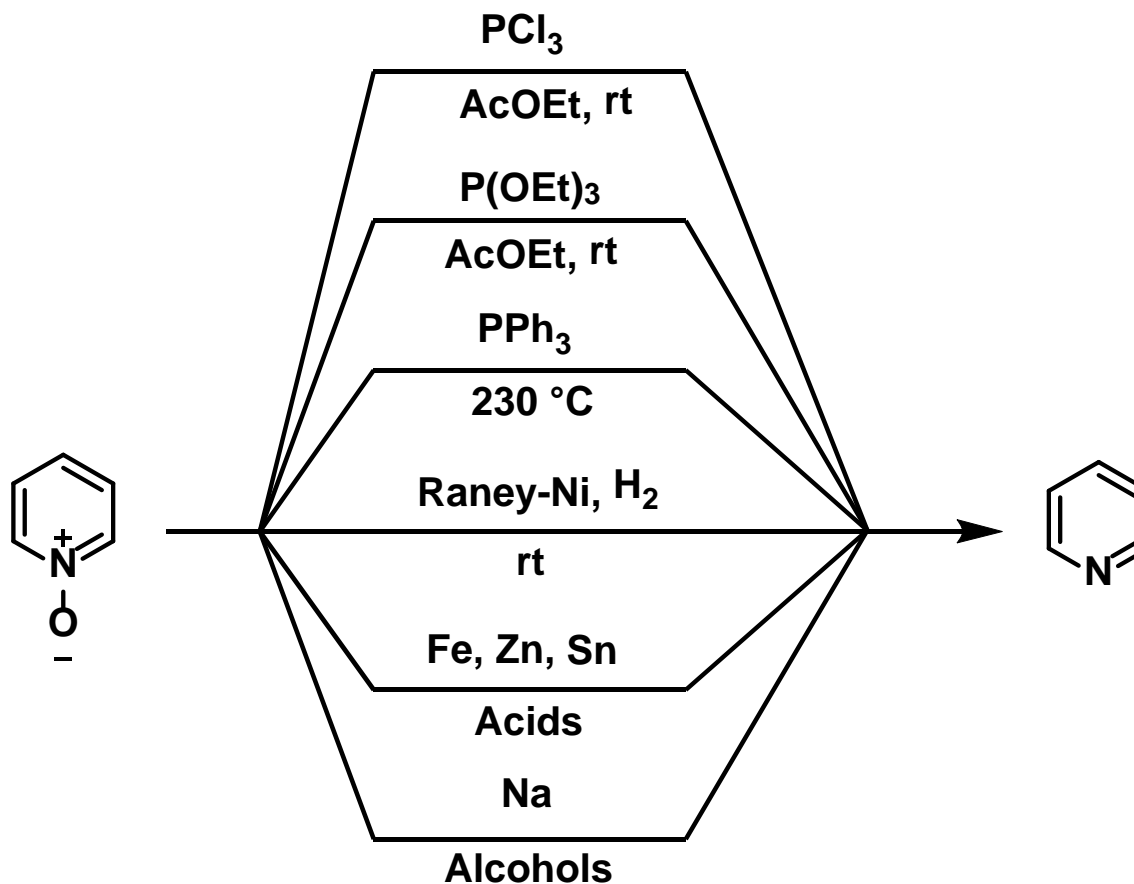


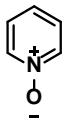
*Denovo* synthesis also possible (via condensation or rearrangement/cycloaddition)



## Reduction of PNO to pyridine

### Deoxygenation of PNO to pyridine





## Addition of Grignard

Kato<sup>1</sup>: Isolation of the proposed *N*-hydroxydihydropyridine

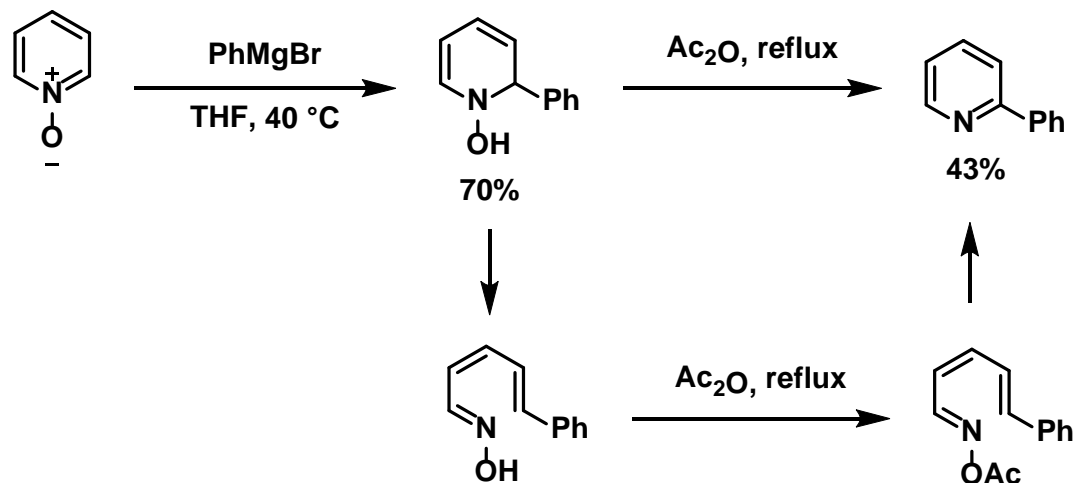
Kellogg<sup>2</sup>: Revised later to be the pentadienal-oxime (standard + <sup>1</sup>H NMR *J* coupling + IR)

Ollson<sup>3</sup>: Practical synthesis only 40 years later!

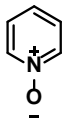
Increased conjugation in the linear system favors its formation

Ring opening *via* disrotatory electrocyclic opening

Ac<sub>2</sub>O promotes ring closing through Beckmann-type rearrangement



1. Kato, T. *J. Org. Chem.* **1965**, *30*, 910.
2. Kellogg, R. M. *J. Org. Chem.* **1971**, *36*, 1705.
3. Ollson, R. *Org. Lett.* **2007**, *9*, 1335.

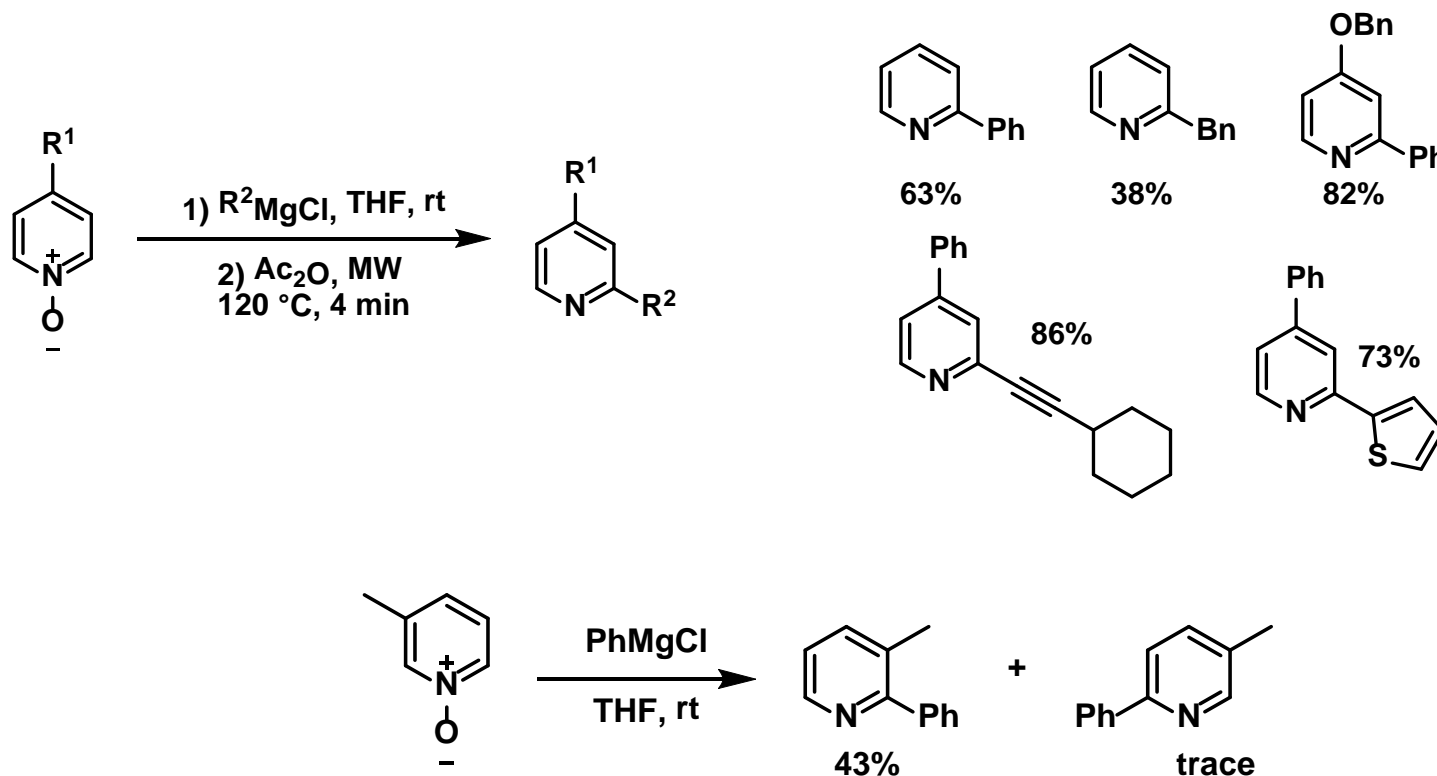


## Addition of Grignard (2)

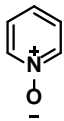
Highly selective for the 2 position vs the 4 one (N-O as DG)

With 3-picoline: only the C-2 arylation observed + no need for the acetic anhydride

Alkyl Grignard: only modest yield ( $\alpha$ -metalation)





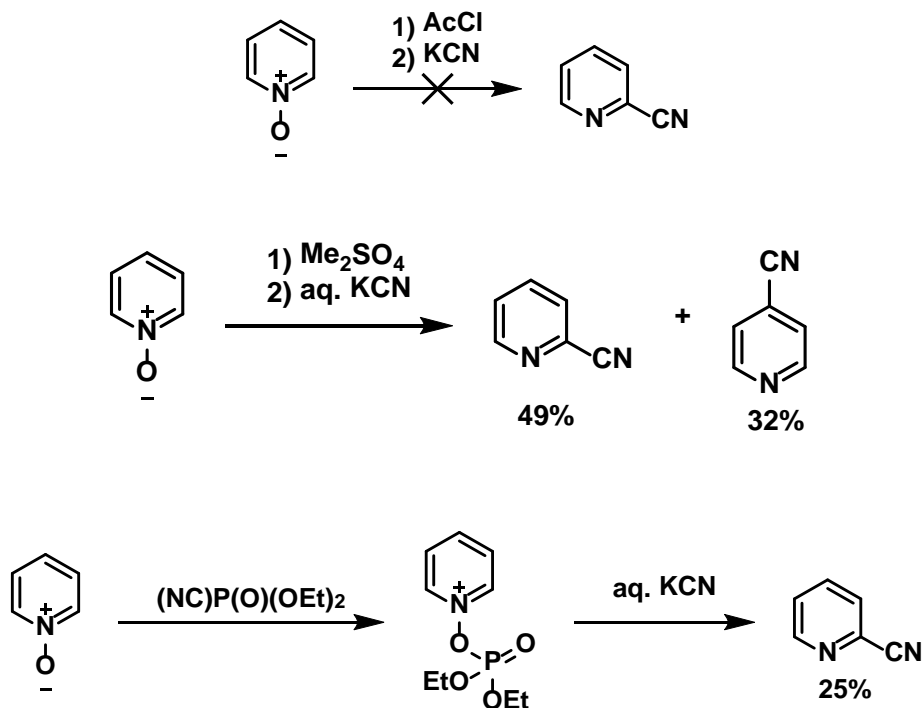


# Cyanation

Reissert-Henze reaction not working with PNO (increased aromaticity compared to quinoline)

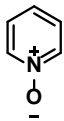
Feely<sup>1</sup>: Methylation with Me<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (neat) then cyanation. Mixture of 2 and 4-cyanopyridine

Shioiri<sup>2</sup>: Selectivity solution using DEPC as activating and directing reagent



1. Feely, W. E. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1959**, *81*, 4004.

2. Shioiri, T. *Heterocycles* **1981**, *15*, 981.

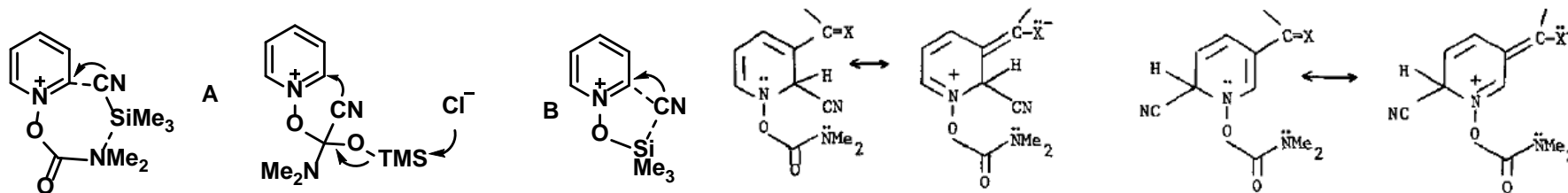
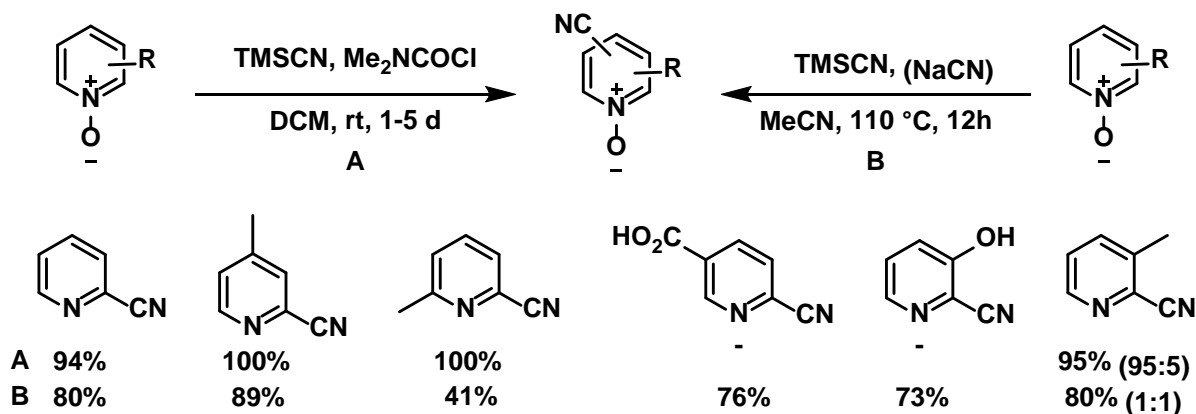


## Cyanation (2)

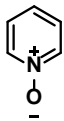
2 practical solutions: almost simultaneously (4.10 vs 18. 10)

Fife<sup>1</sup>: Dimethylcarbamylyl chloride + TMSCN (carbamylyl not susceptible to CN attack)

Vorbrüggen<sup>2</sup>: TMSCN without further activation



1. Fife, W. K. *J. Org. Chem.* **1983**, *48*, 1375.
2. Vorbrüggen, H. *Synthesis* **1983**, 316.

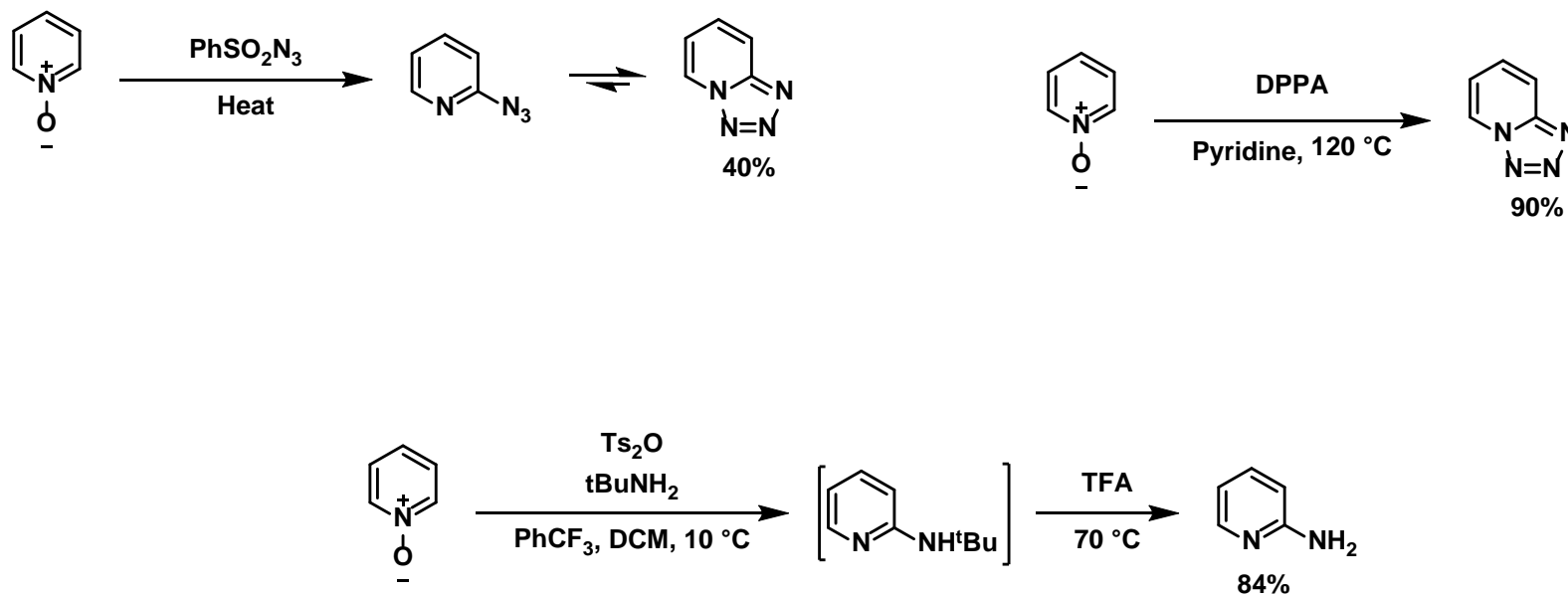


## Azidation/Amination

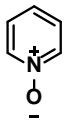
Reddy<sup>1</sup>: Azidation possible but unstable product

Keith<sup>2</sup>: Use of DPPA as activator + DG

Direct amination by Merck<sup>3</sup>: Tosyl anhydride as activator. Perfect C-2 selectivity

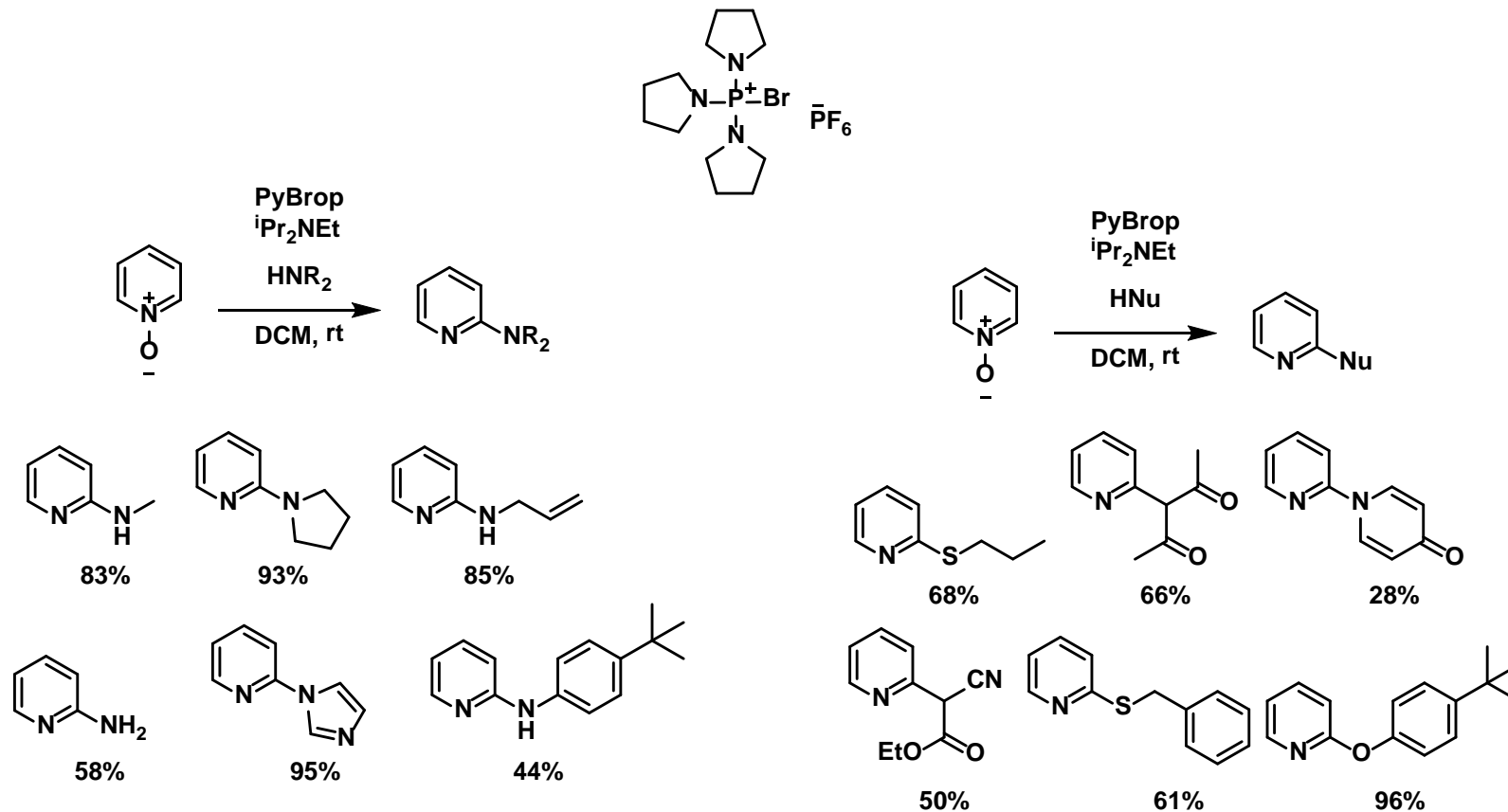


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3. Yin, J. J. *Org. Chem.* **2007**, 72, 4554.

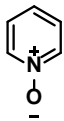


## Azidation/Amination (2)

Londregan: PyBrop as activating agent for amination<sup>1</sup> and other nucleophiles<sup>2</sup>



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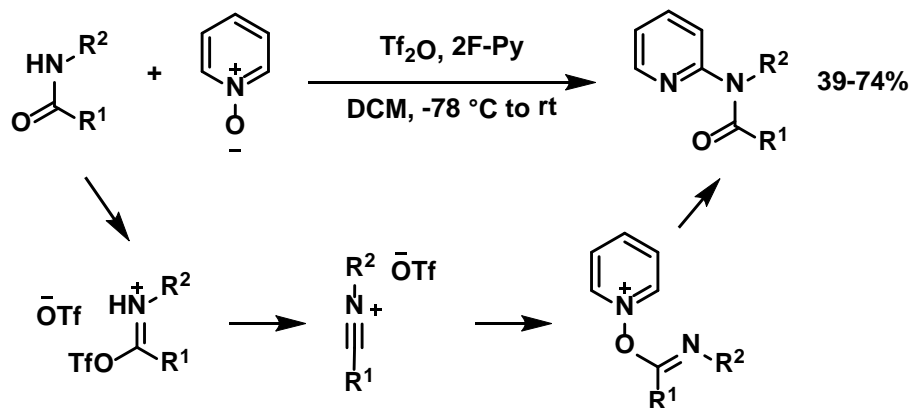
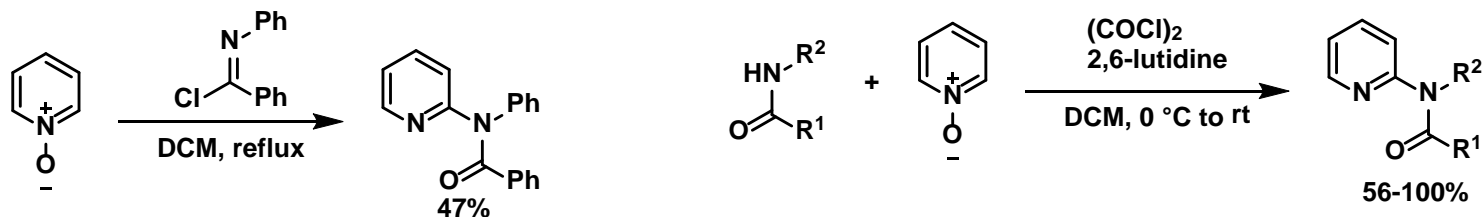


# Amidation

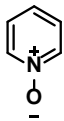
Singer<sup>1</sup>: Through thermal rearrangement

Bilodeau<sup>2</sup>: *In situ* activation of the amide with oxalyl chloride/2,6-lutidine

Movassaghi<sup>3</sup>: *In situ* activation of the amide with Tf<sub>2</sub>O/2F-Py



1. Singer, G. M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1969**, *91*, 5672.
2. Bilodeau, M. T. *Org. Lett.* **2002**, *4*, 3127.
3. Movassaghi, M. *J. Org. Chem.* **2009**, *74*, 1341.

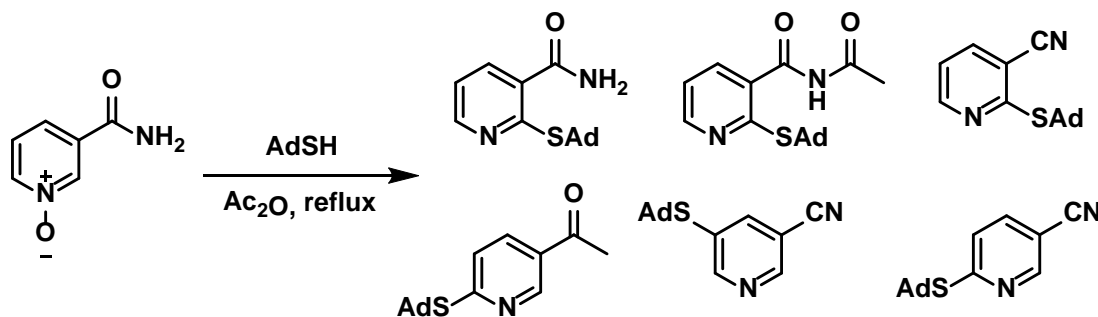


# Sulfurylation

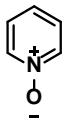
Often achieved via halogenation/substitution but regioselectivity issue + low yield

Bauer<sup>1,2,3</sup>: Adamantanethiol as Nu. Regioselectivity issue

Triethylamine can improve the selectivity but reduce the yield



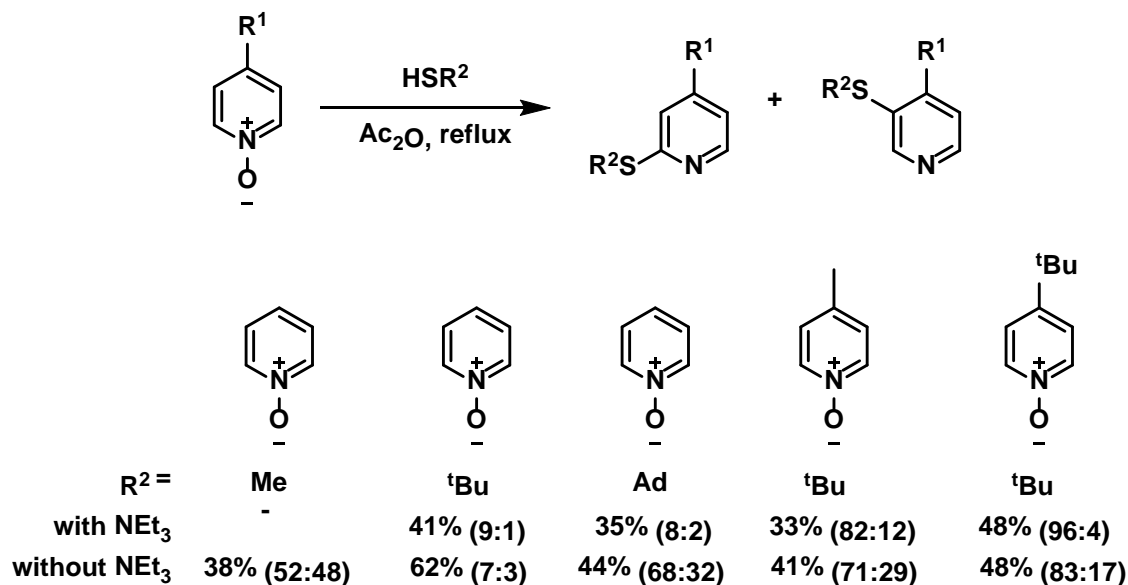
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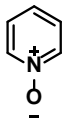
## Sulfurylation (2)

Various thiol + substitution pattern tolerated but yield + selectivity not perfect<sup>1,2,3</sup>

Changing the activating agent can sometimes improves the yield + selectivity



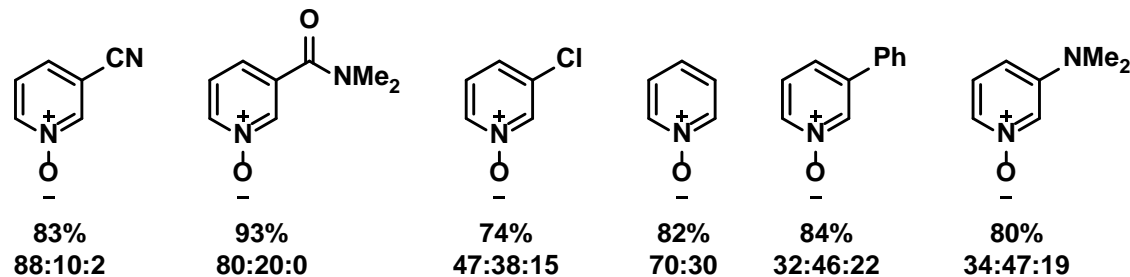
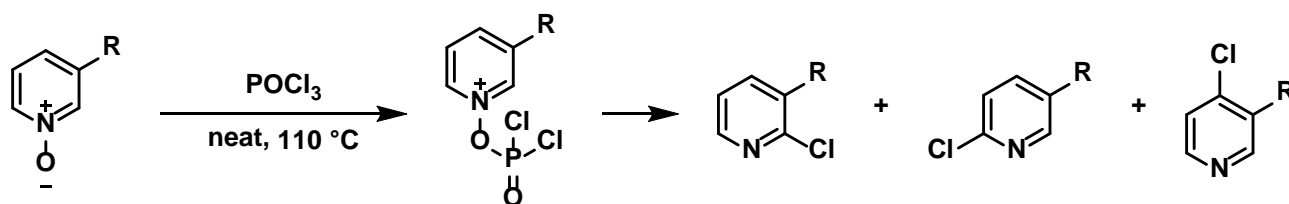
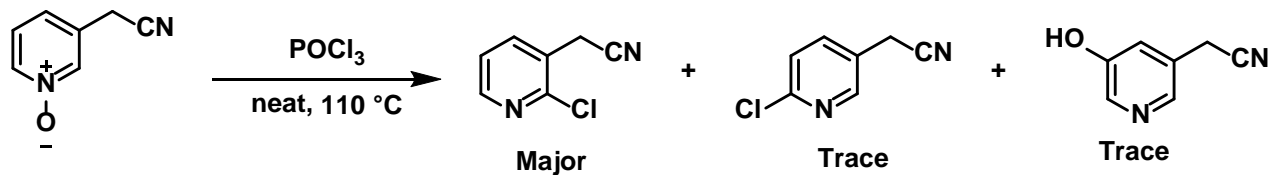
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# Chlorination

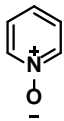
Robison<sup>1</sup>: initial report

Yamanaka<sup>2</sup>: yield not affected by electronic/steric but the selectivity yes



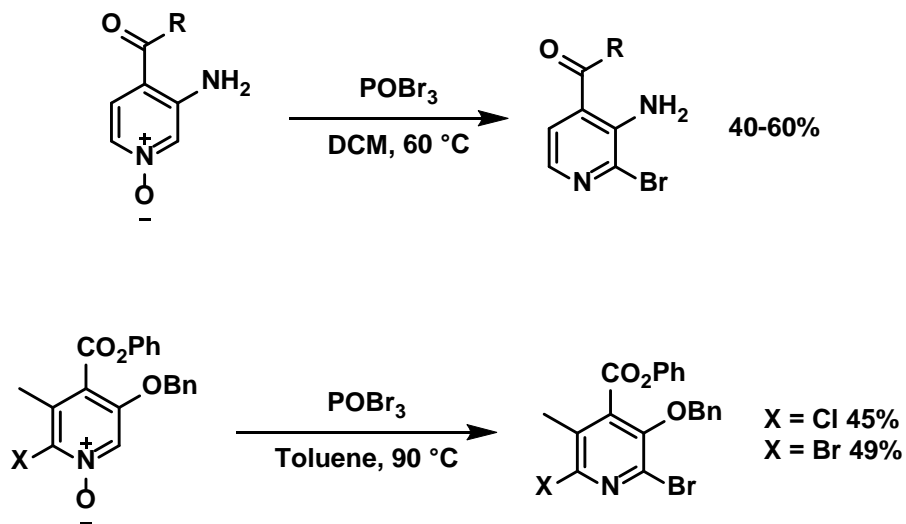
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2. Yamanaka, H. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **1988**, *36*, 2244.



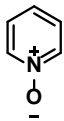


# Bromination

Bromination with  $\text{POBr}_3$  also possible<sup>1,2</sup>

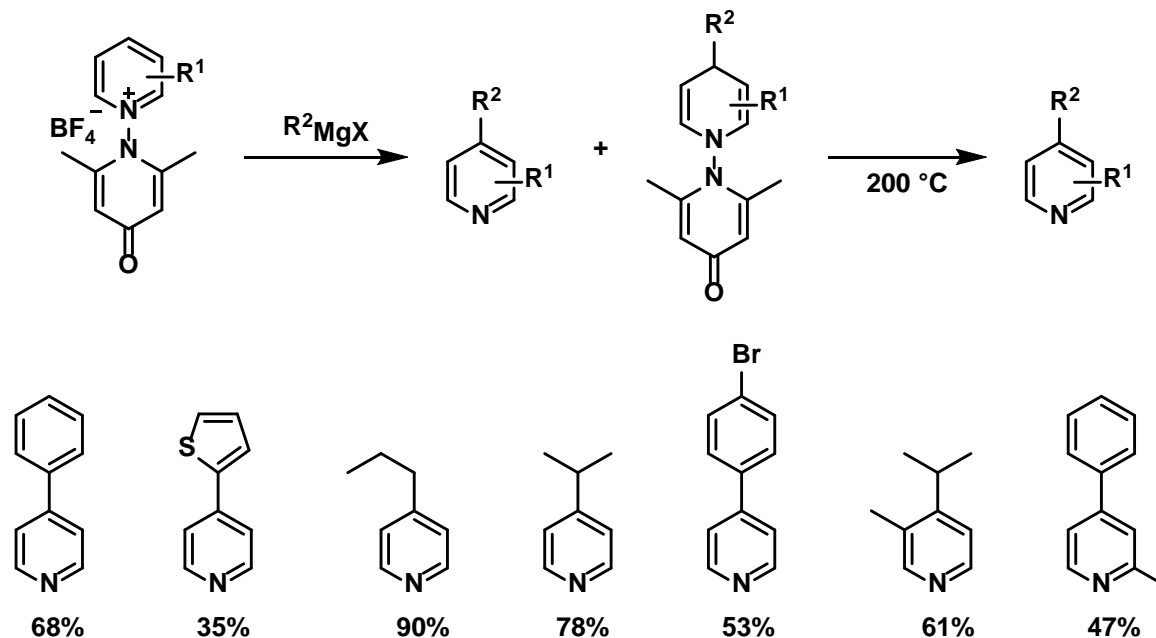


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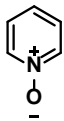


## N-N Addition of Grignard

1-pyridinio-4-pyridone cation with the blocking methyl groups with Grignard<sup>1,2,3</sup>  
No clean isolation possible of the dihydropyridine  
Not working with organolithium

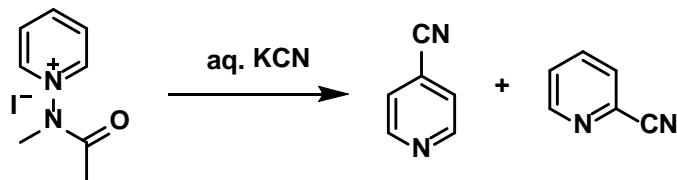


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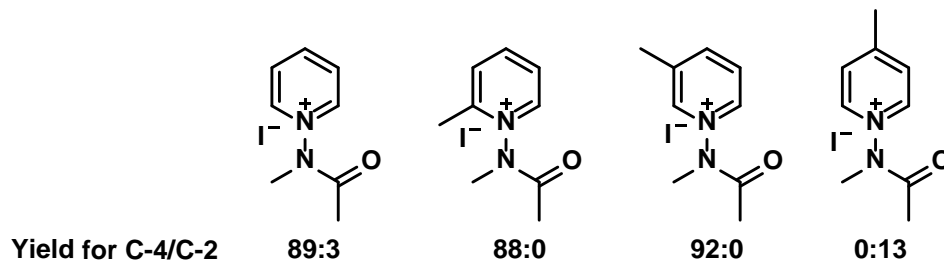


## N-N Cyanation

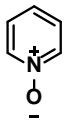
Ohsawa<sup>1,2</sup>: addition of KCN to 1-(N-acylalkylamino)pyridinium  
Mainly the 4-cyanopyridine but dependent of the [KCN]



6.2 M 89% of the 4-cyanopyridine  
12.5 M 1.4:1 ratio 2-/4-cyanopyridine



1. Ohsawa, A. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **1963**, *11*, 780.
2. Ohsawa, A. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **1966**, *14*, 518.



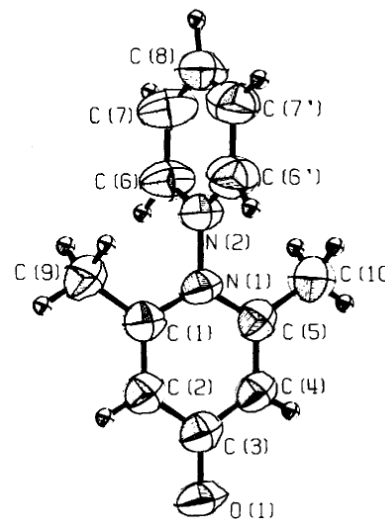
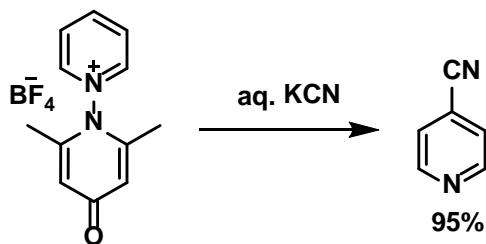
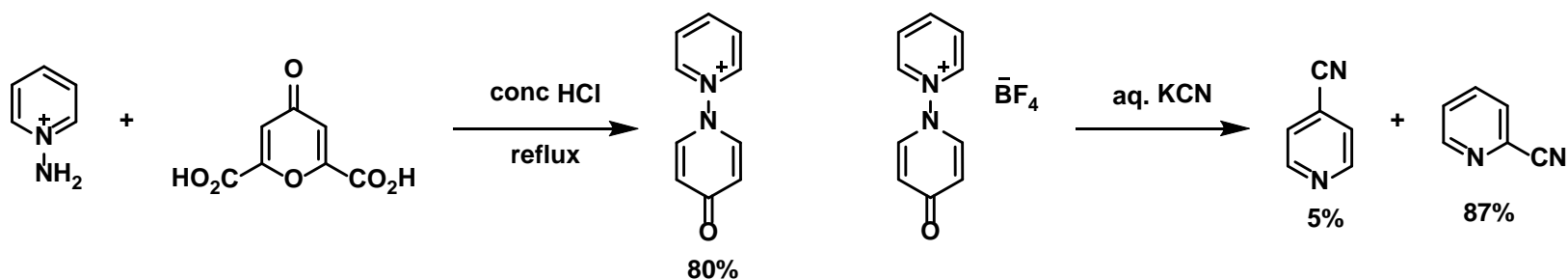
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Sammes<sup>1,2,3,4</sup>: addition of KCN to 1-pyridinio-4-pyridone cation

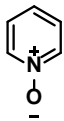
Selectivity also dependent on the [KCN] (2-cyano = kinetic/4-cyano=thermo)

Use of methyl blocking group increase the selectivity

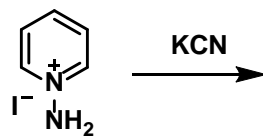
0.17 Å between the methyl hydrogen and the hydrogen at C-2/C-6

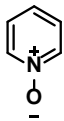


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## N-N Cyanation (3)



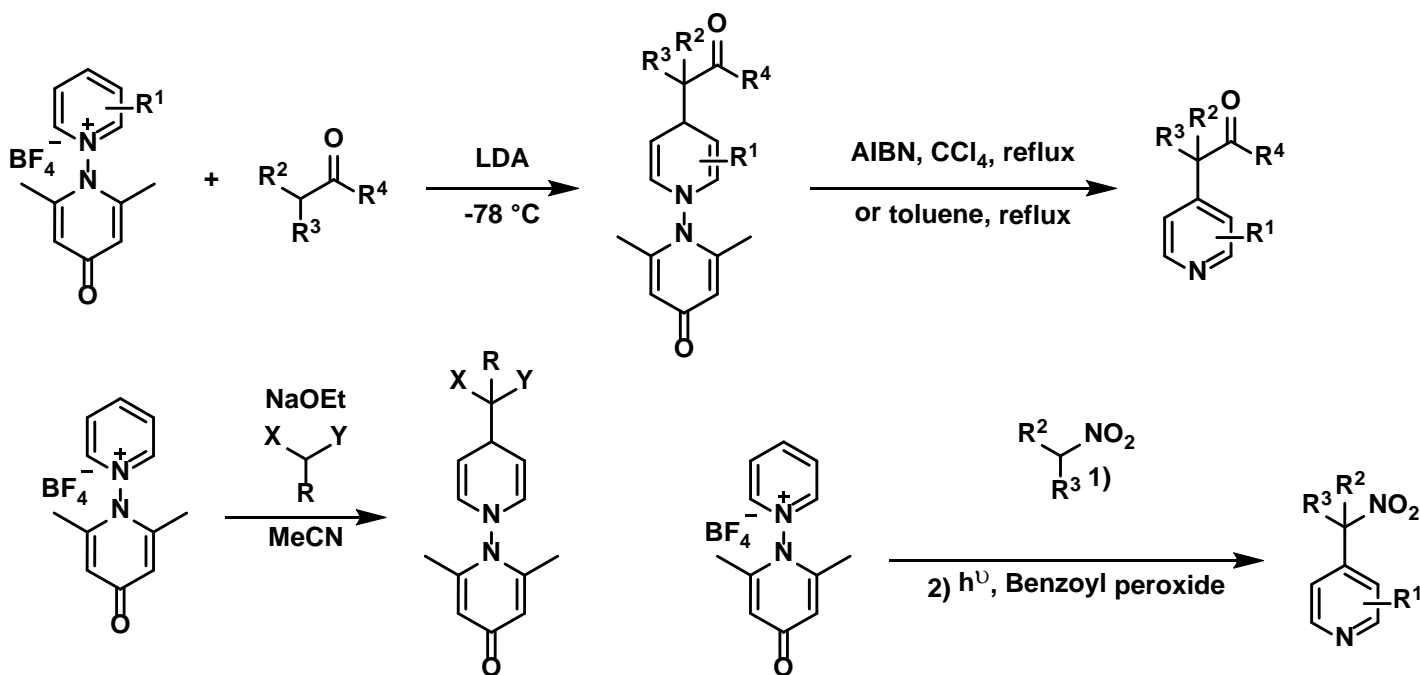


## N-N Addition of Enolate

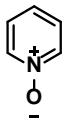
Addition of lithium enolate at the C-4 position (steric). Isolation possible of the dihydropyridine but reflux of AIBN affords the pyridine<sup>1</sup>

Lithium enolate of ester/nitrile gave bad yield<sup>2</sup>

Increase the acidity of the enolizable center: addition of malonate and cyanoacetate<sup>3</sup>  
and of nitroalkane<sup>4</sup>



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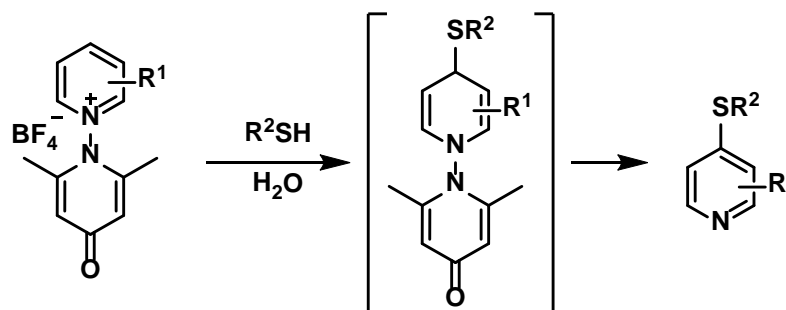
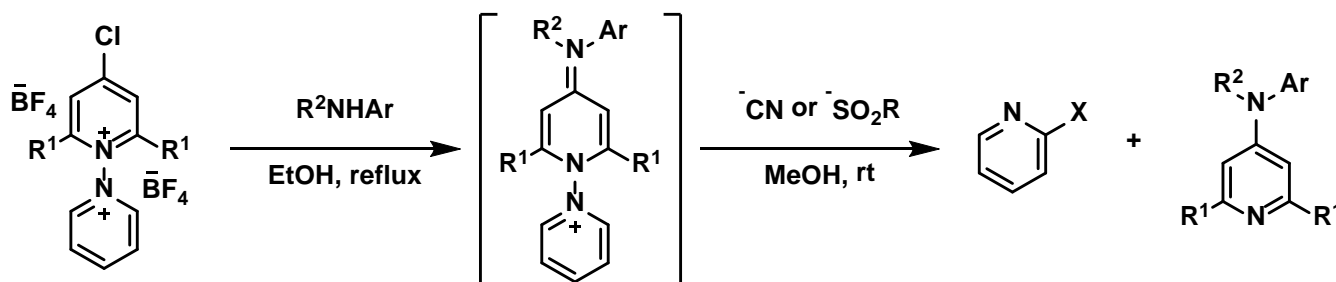


## N-N Addition of N/S/P

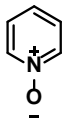
Addition of aniline to 4-chloro-1-pyridinopyridinium followed by cyanide or sulfinate attack<sup>1</sup>

1-pyridinio-4-pyridone cation with the blocking methyl groups with thiol<sup>2,3,4</sup>

Initial addition reversible in water but driven to cleavage in MeCN (higher  $pK_a$ )

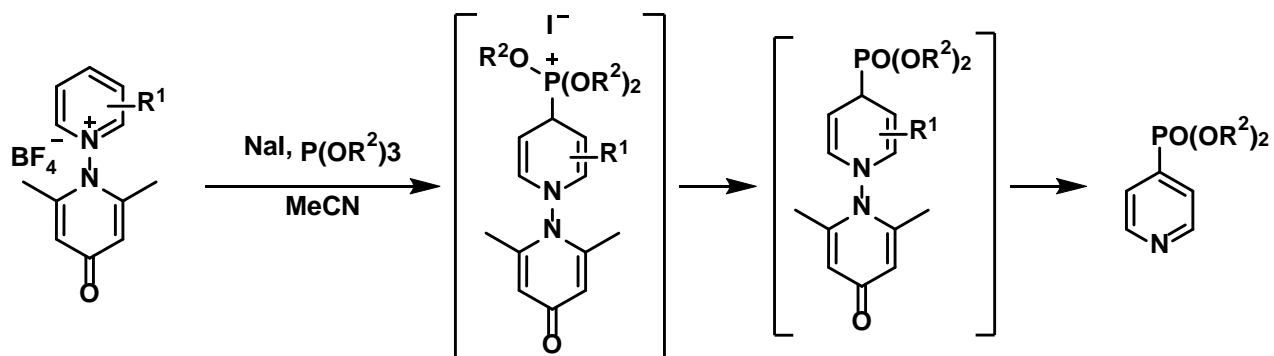


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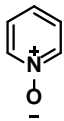
## N-N Addition of N/S/P (2)

### Addition of trialkylphosphite<sup>1</sup>



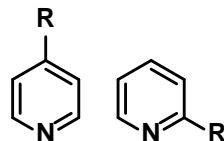
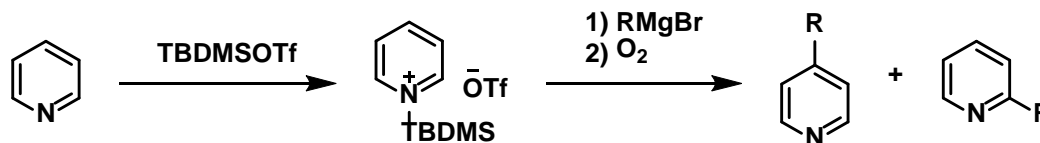
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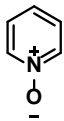
## N-Si Addition of Grignard

- Akiba<sup>1,2</sup>: use of TBDMSOTf to activate pyridine
- Excellent C-4 selectivity due to the steric of TBDMS
- Better yield if isolation of the silylated pyridinium (10-20% more)
- Facile reoxidation under air
- Silyl chloride ineffective but silyl iodide as effective as OTf<sup>3</sup>
- Organolithium = modest results / cuprate too soft / enolate attack the Si



- R = Ph, 73%, 99.7/0.3
- R = <sup>i</sup>Pr, 79%, 99.6/0.4
- R = <sup>n</sup>Hex, 72%, 99.5:0.5
- R = Ph(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, 71%, 98.1/1.1

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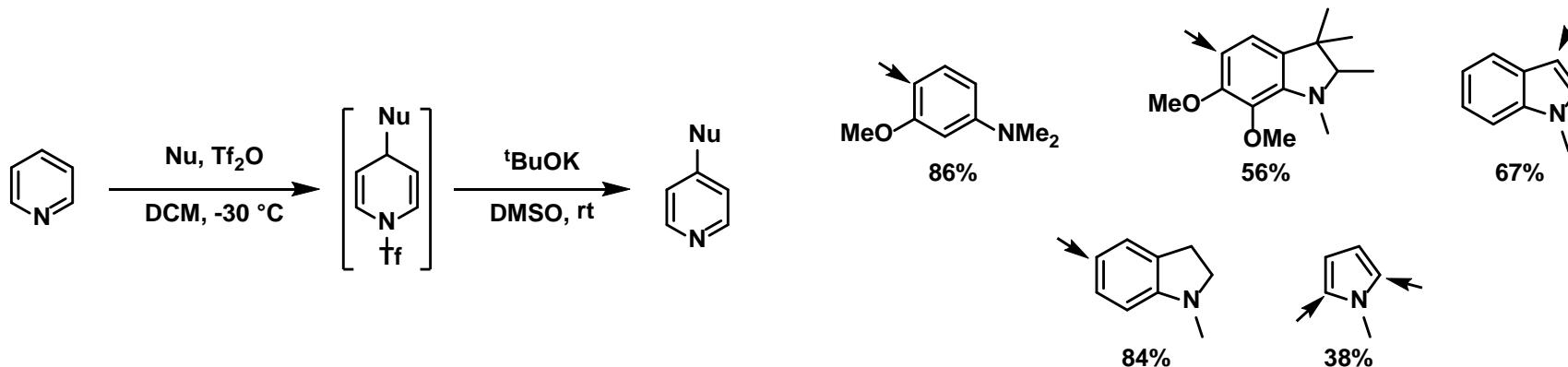
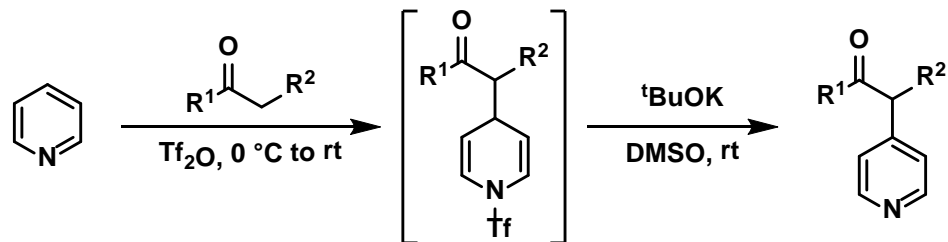


## N-S Addition of C-nucleophiles

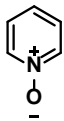
Addition of enolate exclusively at the C-4 position<sup>1</sup>

Rearomatization with KOtBu in DMSO / KOH in DMSO back to SM (reversible?)

Corey<sup>2</sup>: Addition of nucleophilic aromatic in high yield and selectivity



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## Metalation: PNO vs pyridine

C-H protons very close in acidity – regioselectivity issues

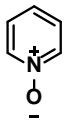
C-2 may form preferentially but destabilization with N-lone pair → isomerization to the 4-pyridine

Dimerization to the bipyridine

Addition of the strong base to the ring

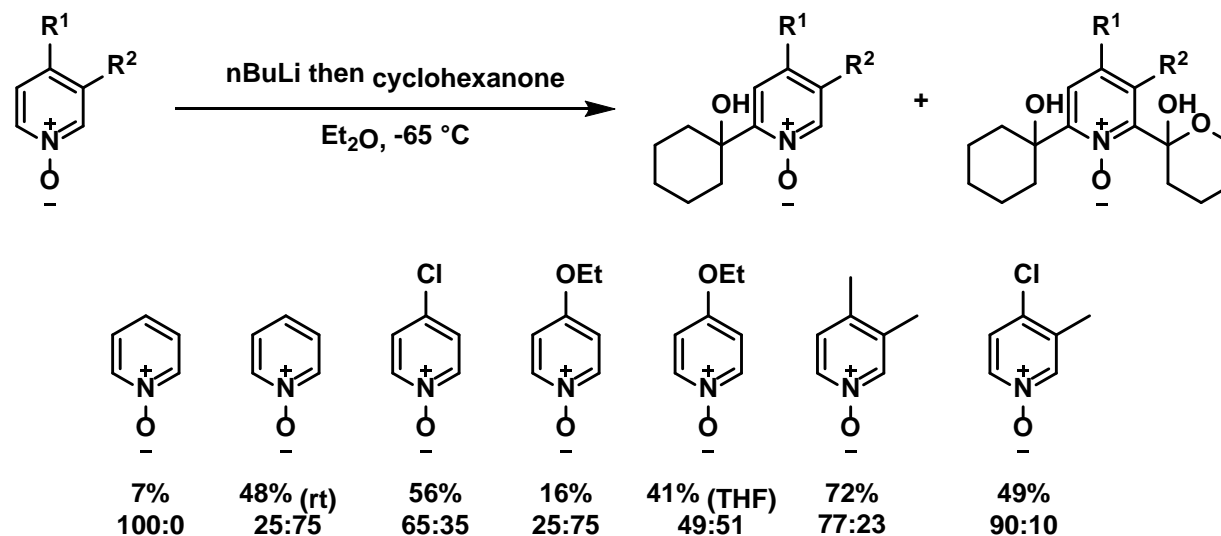
Preferential deprotonation of the side chains

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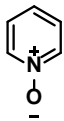


## Metalation of PNO

Abramovitch<sup>1,2,3,4</sup>: First report of deprotonation of PNO. Disubstitution is the major side-product



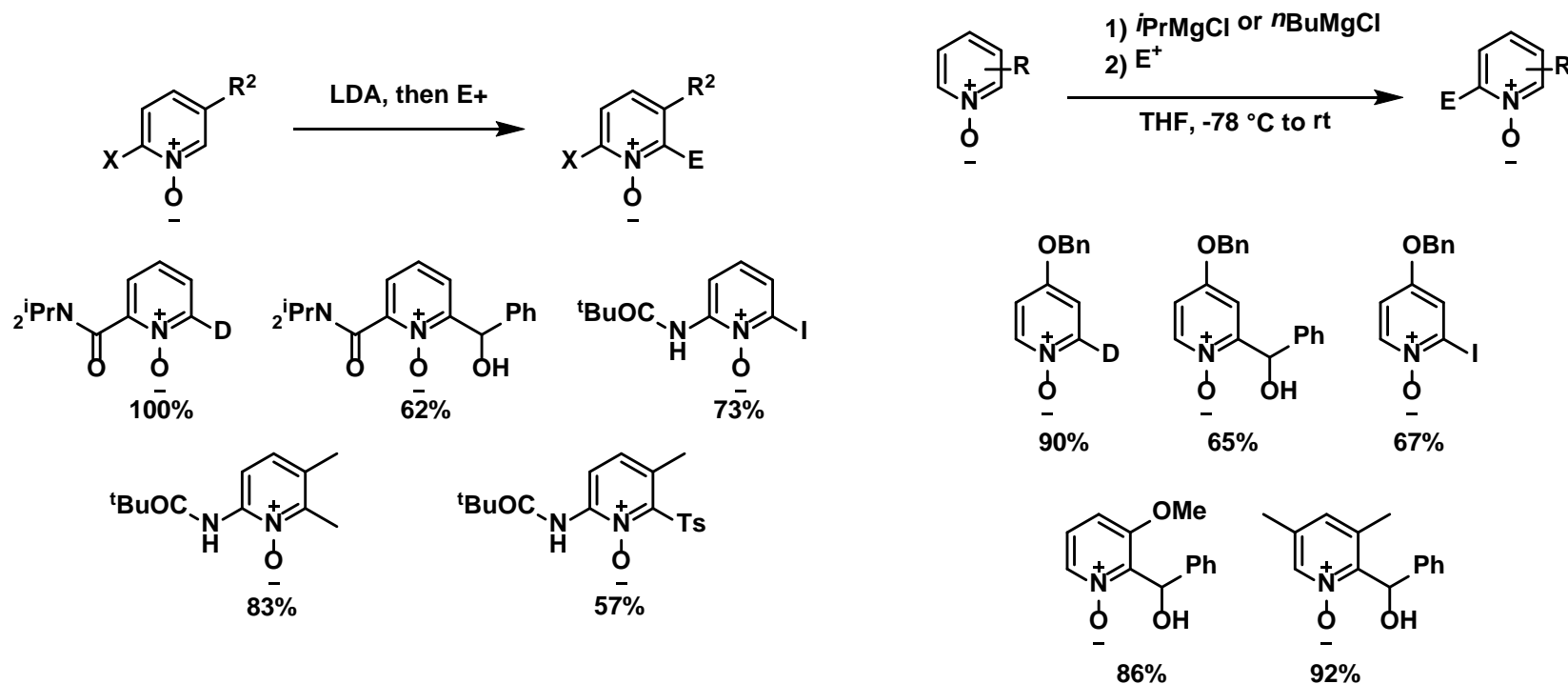
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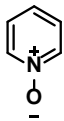
## Metalation of PNO

Quéguiner<sup>1,2</sup>: Use of bulky amine base remove the possibility for direct nucleophile addition

Almqvist<sup>3</sup>: deprotonation using Grignard. No disubstituted product



1. Martin, J. C. *J. Org. Chem.* **1983**, *48*, 4156.
2. Quéguiner, G. *J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans. 1* **1995**, 2503.
3. Almqvist, F. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2008**, *49*, 6901.

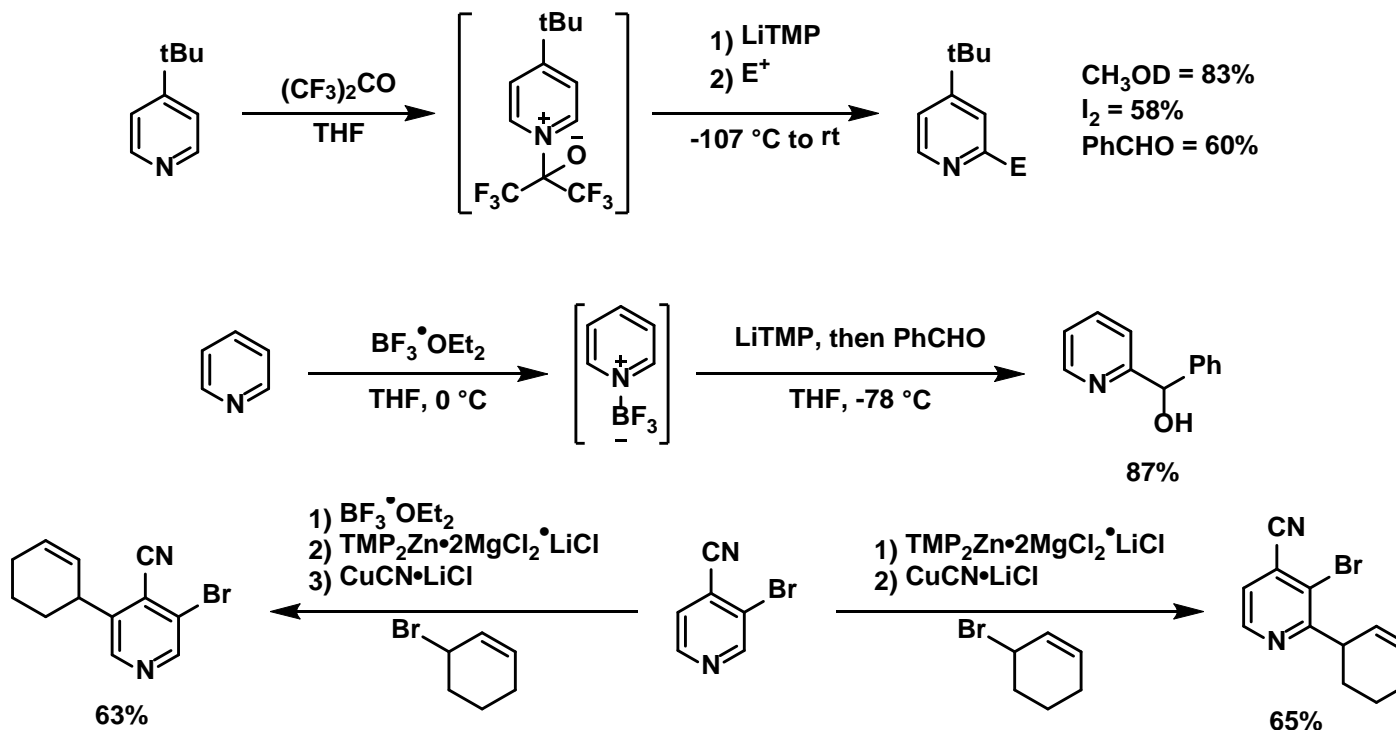


## Metalation of *in situ* activated Py

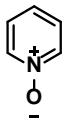
Martin<sup>1</sup>: Deprotonation of the adduct  $\text{Py}^+(\text{F}_3\text{C})_2\text{CO}$  at low temperature

Kessar<sup>2,3</sup>: Activation with  $\text{BF}_3$  then LiTMP

Knochel<sup>4</sup>: Cross-coupling with  $\text{CuCN}$ . Switch selectivity if  $\text{BF}_3$

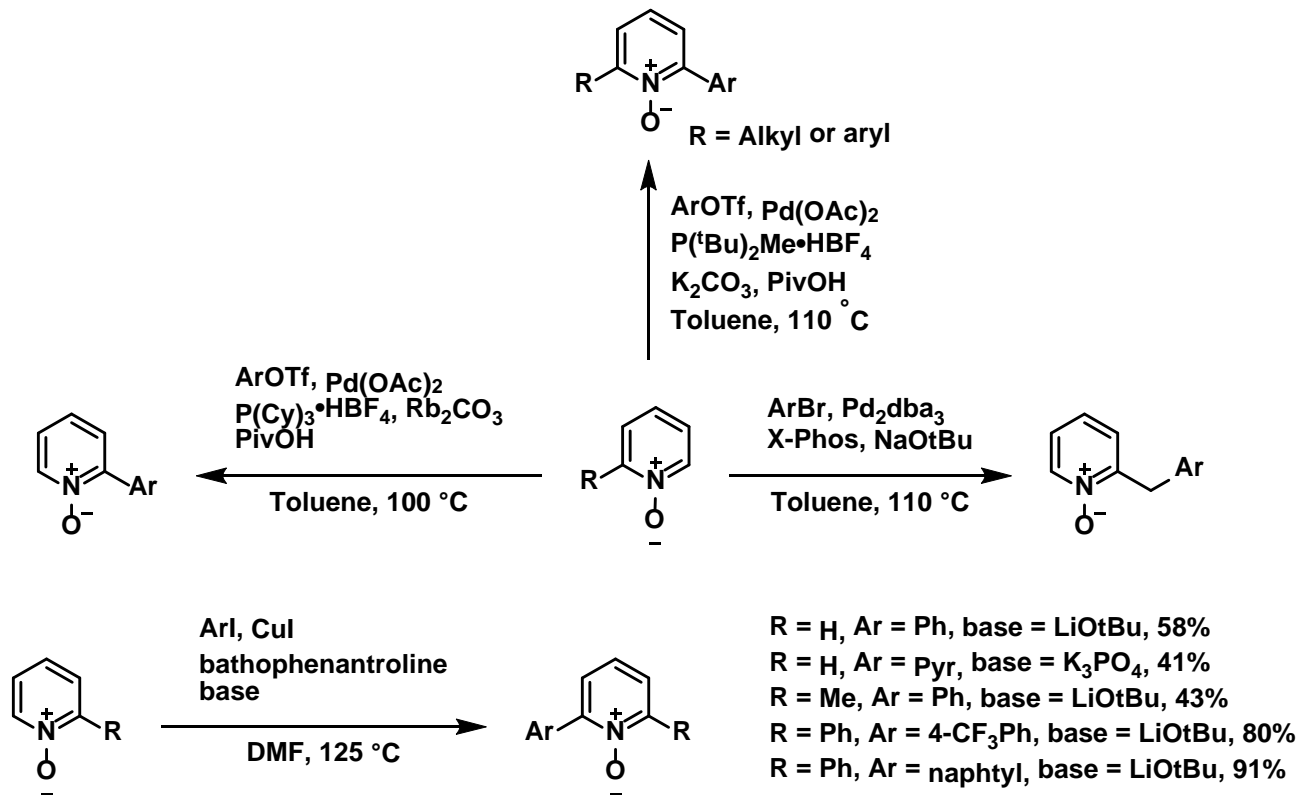


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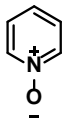


## TM-catalyzed reaction of PNO

Pd<sup>1,2</sup>: by Fagnou. N-O prevent binding with N lone-pair. Increase electron density of the Py ring. Increase Brønsted acidity of the C2-H bond  
Cu<sup>3,4</sup>: by Daugulis



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2. Fagnou, K. *Tetrahedron* **2009**, *65*, 4977.
3. Daugulis, O. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2007**, *129*, 12404.
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Pyridinium salts are easily accessed and versatile precursors to nitrogen containing heterocycles

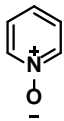
Methods have been developed to achieve regioselective addition for most of the nucleophiles

Still some work to do:

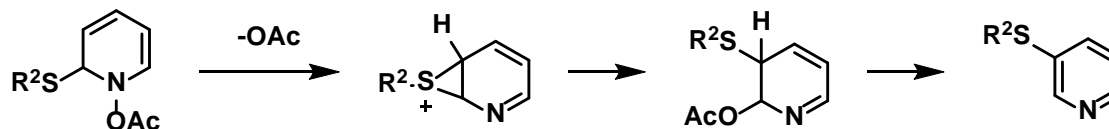
- Sulfurylation, Halogenation
- Use of *in situ* activated pyridine in order to avoid additional steps



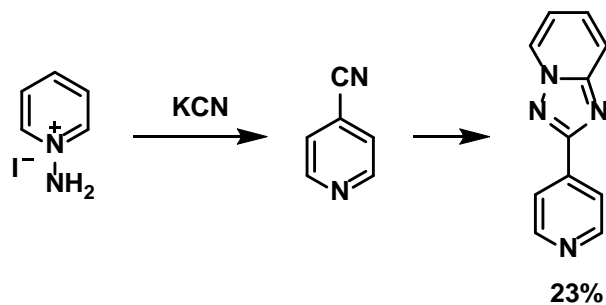




## Answers



Amino pyridinium salts undergo selective cyanation at the 4 position but direct [3+2]-cycloaddition<sup>1,2</sup>



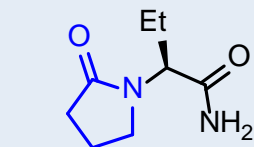
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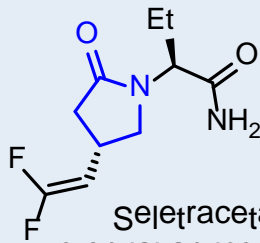
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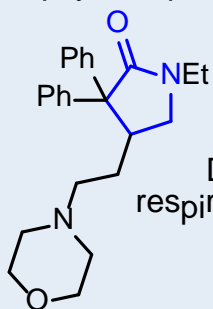
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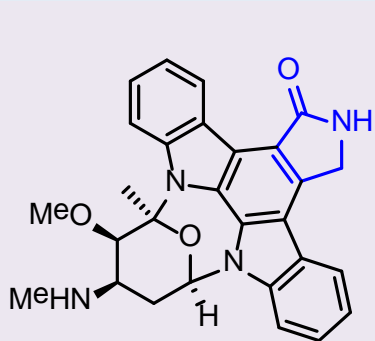
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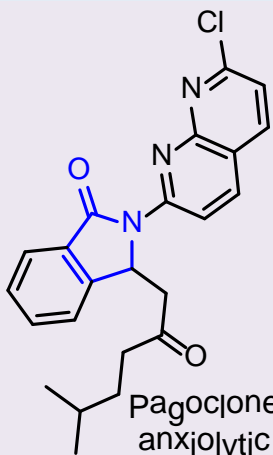
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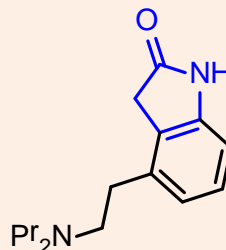
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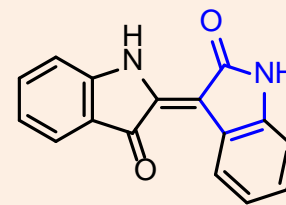
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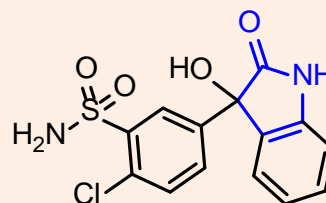
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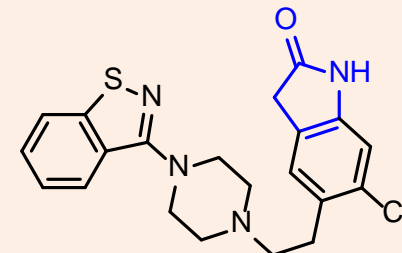
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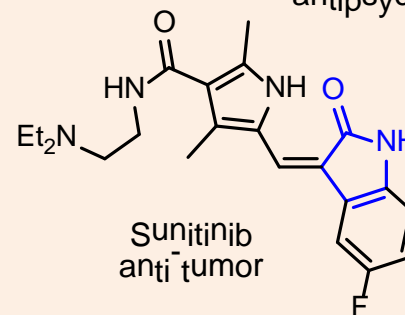
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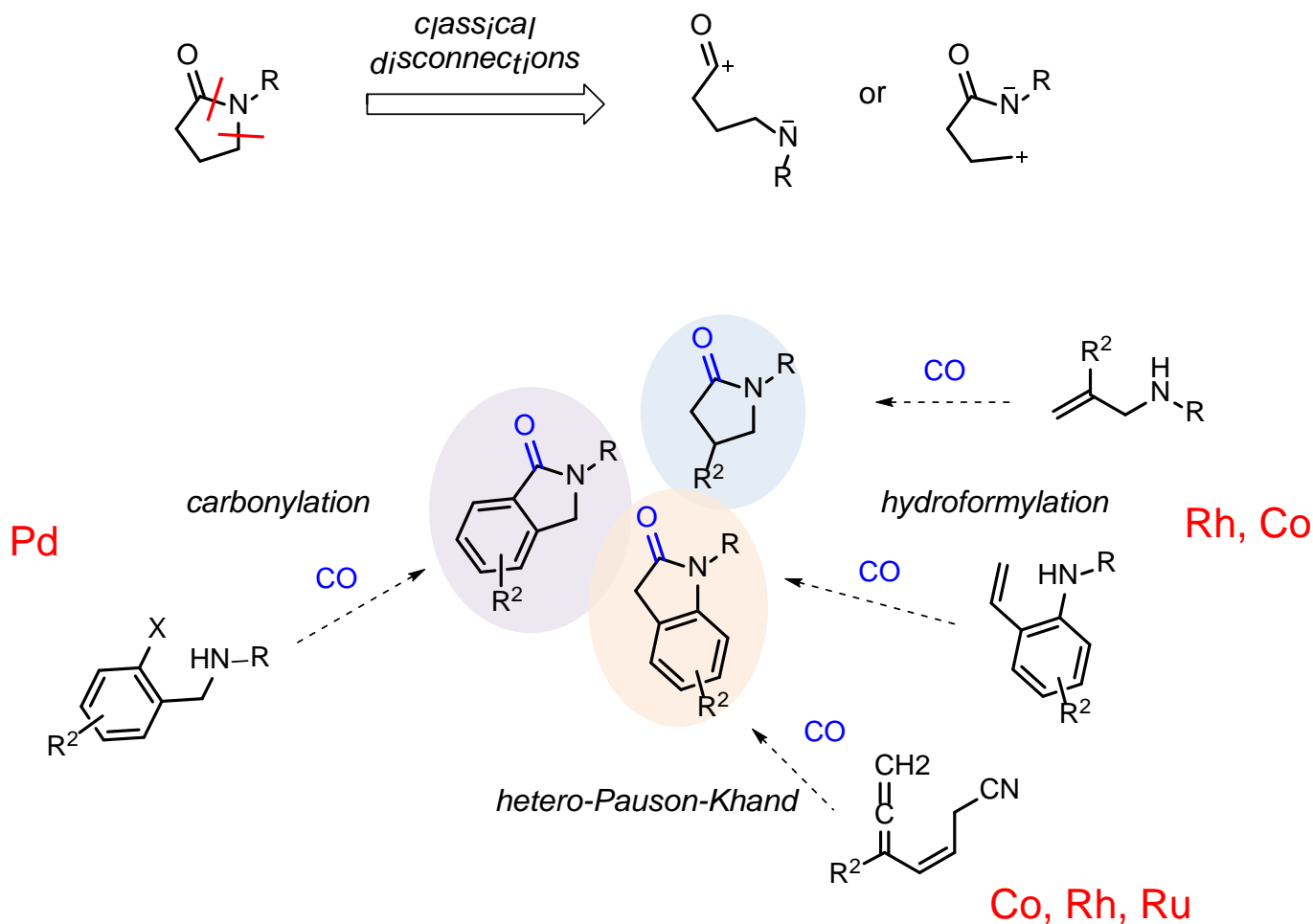
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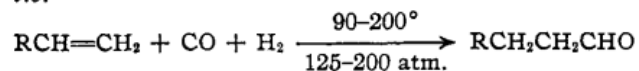


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**Preparation of Aldehydes from Alkenes by the Addition of Carbon Monoxide and Hydrogen with Cobalt Carbonyls as Intermediates**

BY HOMER ADKINS AND GEORGE KRSEK

A U. S. patent issued to Otto Roelen<sup>1</sup> discloses a most interesting and rather surprising reaction, *i.e.*



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**Palladium-Catalyzed Amidation of Aryl, Heterocyclic, and Vinylic Halides**

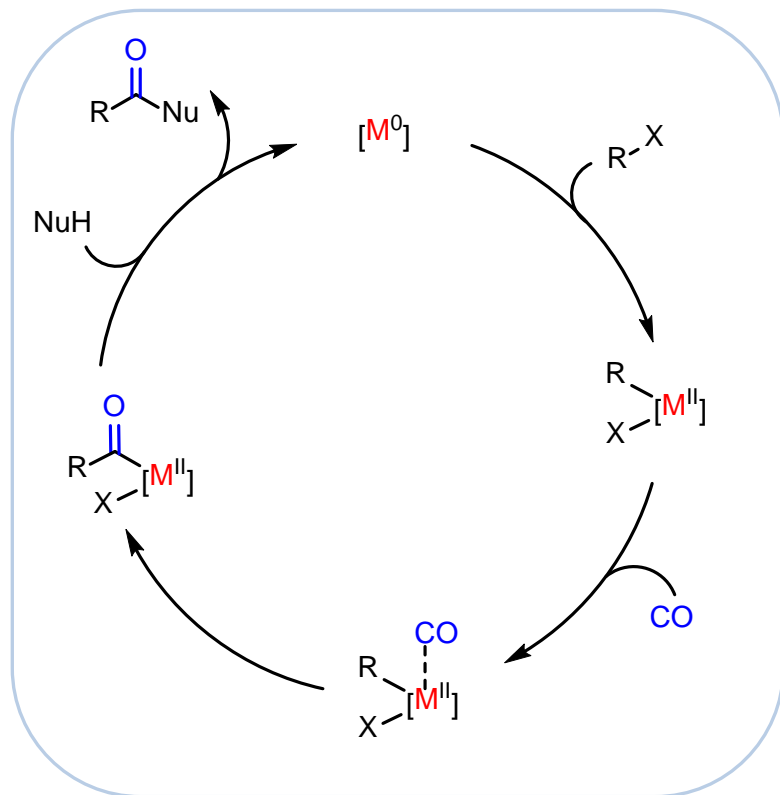
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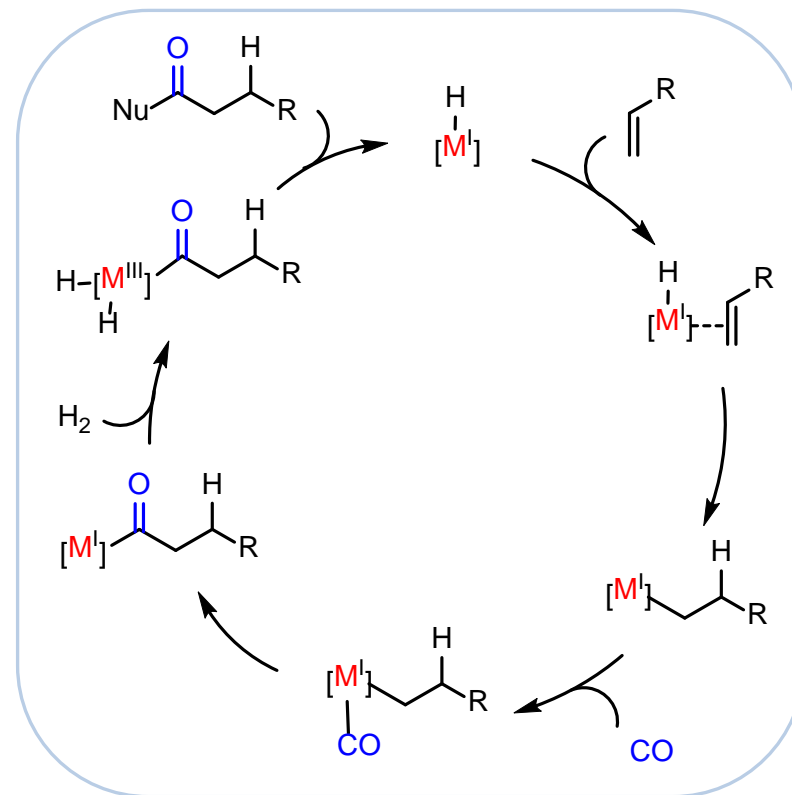
Aryl, heterocyclic, and vinylic halides react with CO and primary or secondary amines with a dihalobis(triphenylphosphine)palladium(II) catalyst at 100° or below and 1 atm pressure to form substituted amines in good yields. If the amines are weakly basic, a strongly basic tertiary amine must also be present in stoichiometric amounts. The reaction is highly stereospecific with *cis* and *trans* vinylic halides.

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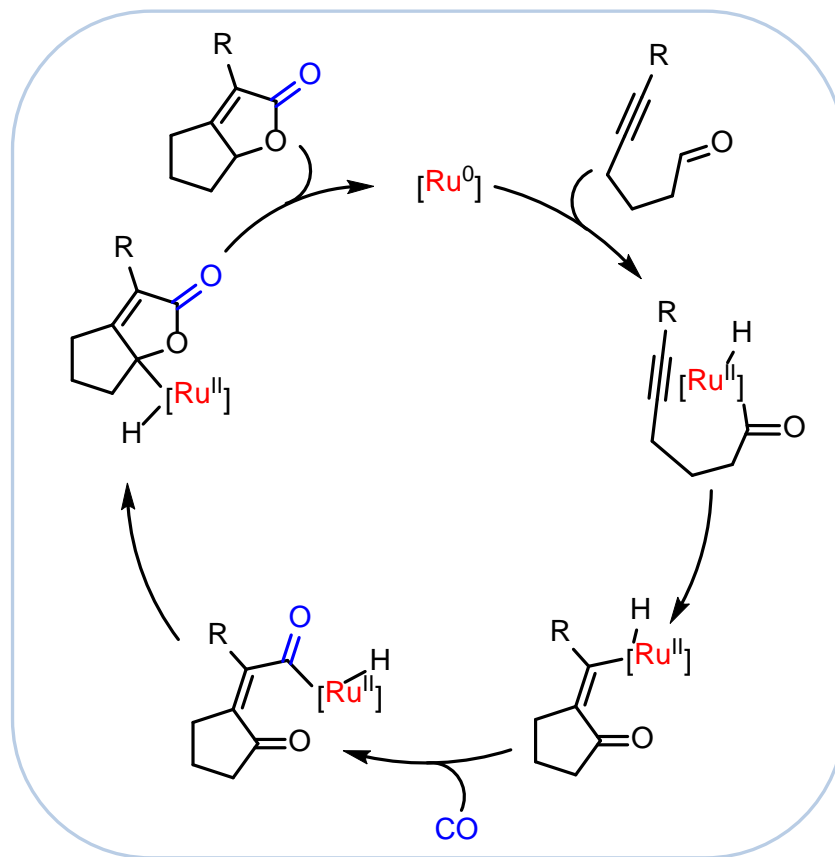


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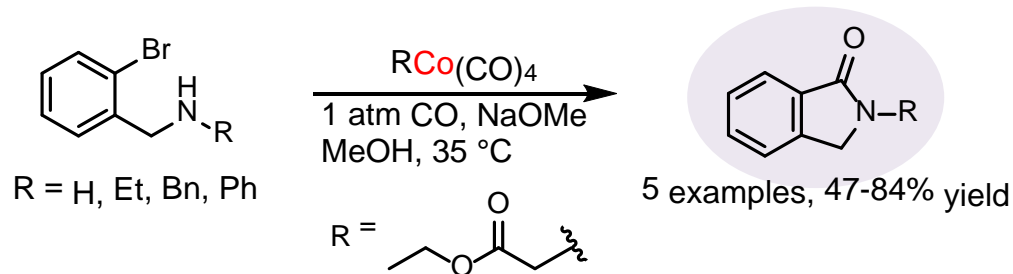


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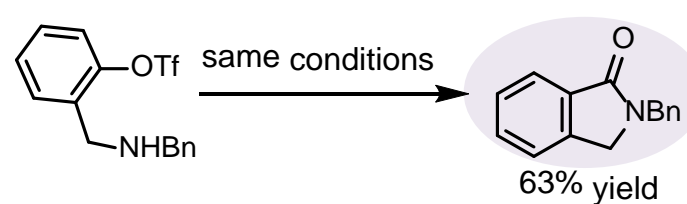
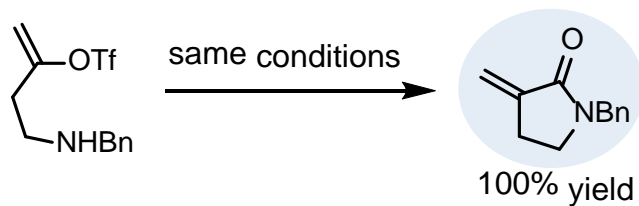
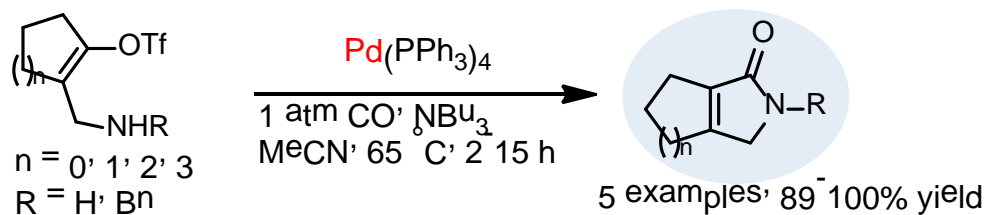


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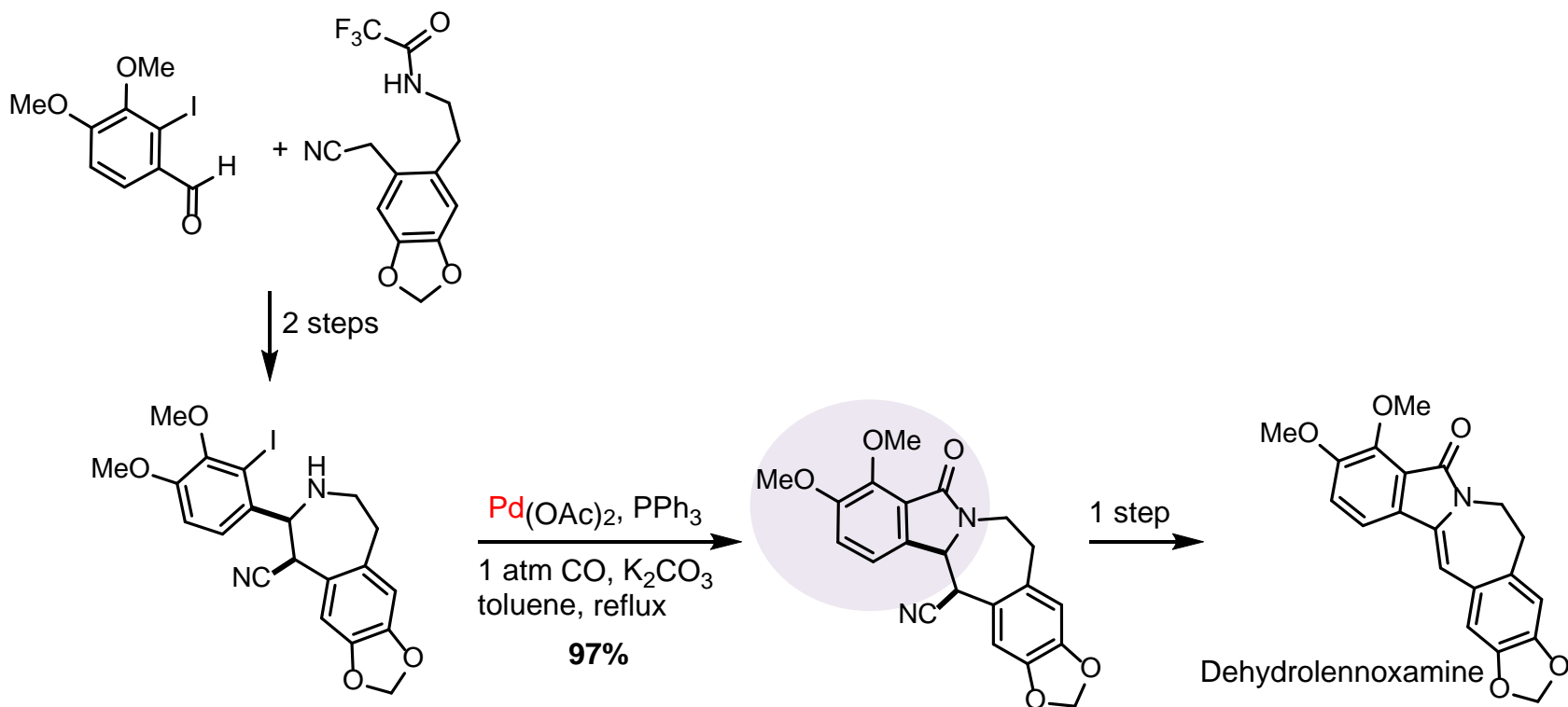


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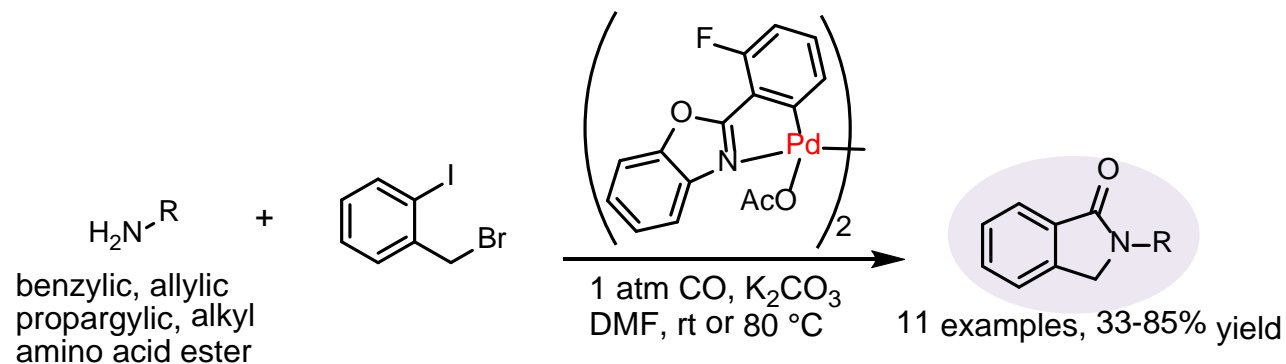




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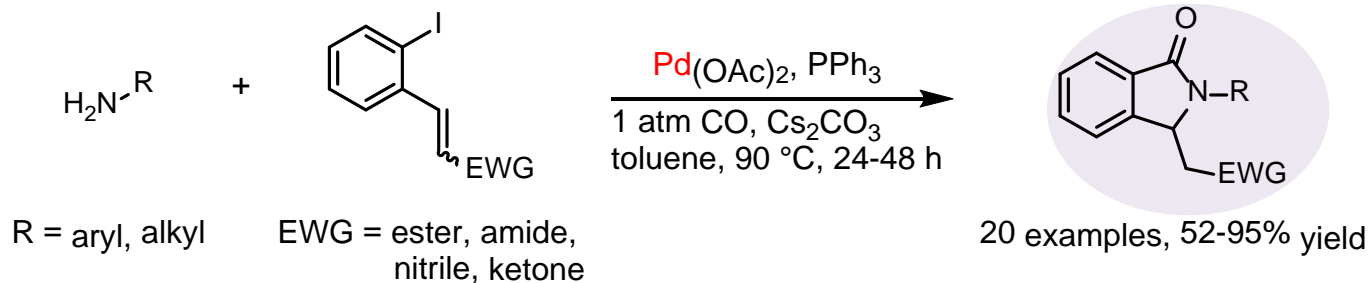


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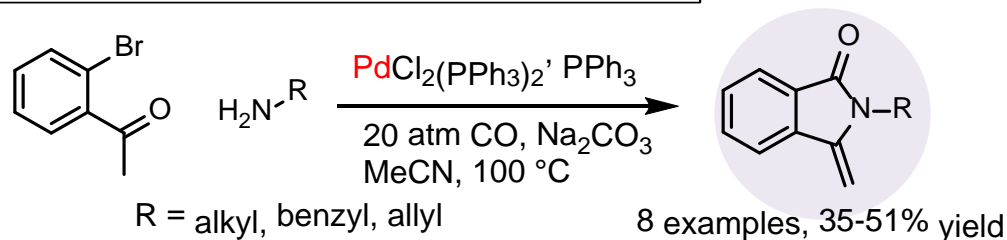


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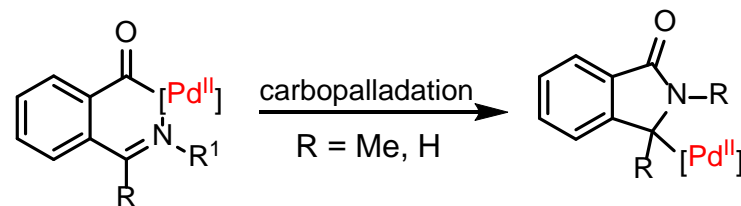
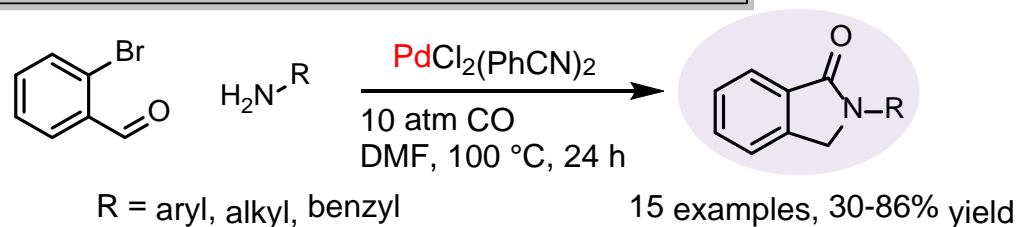
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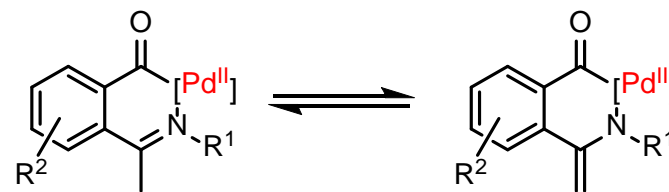
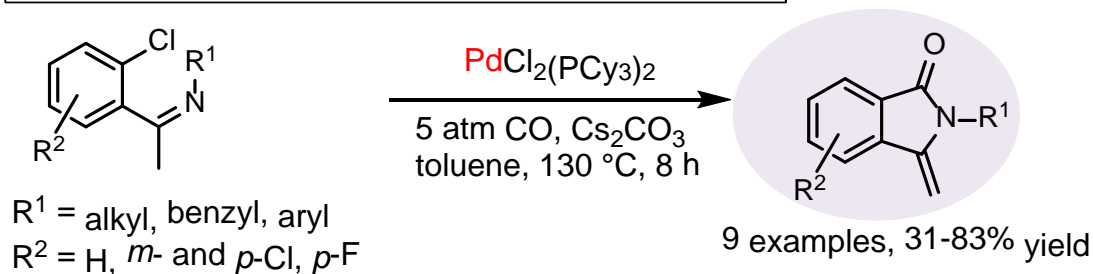
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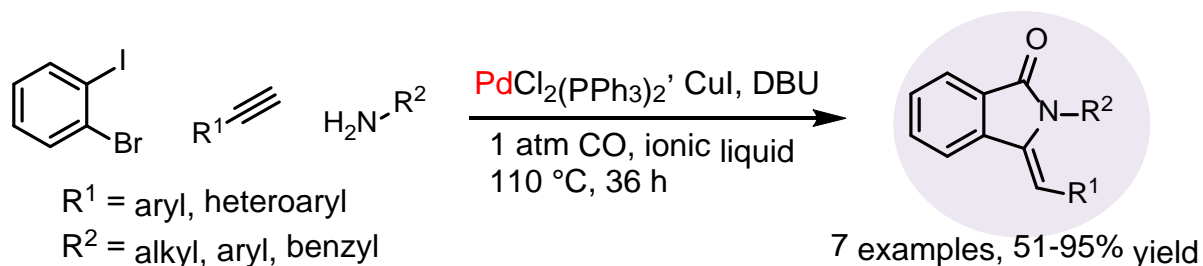
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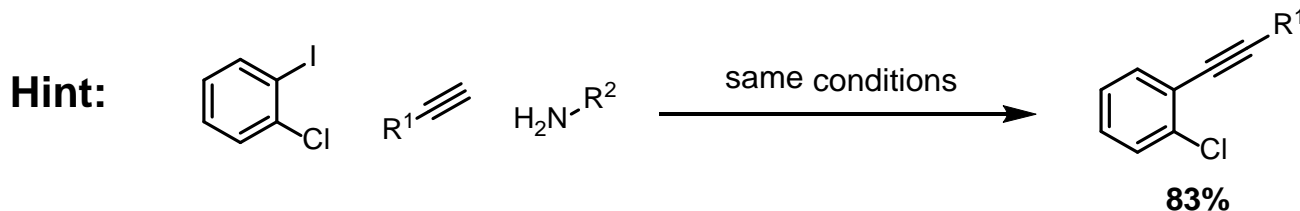
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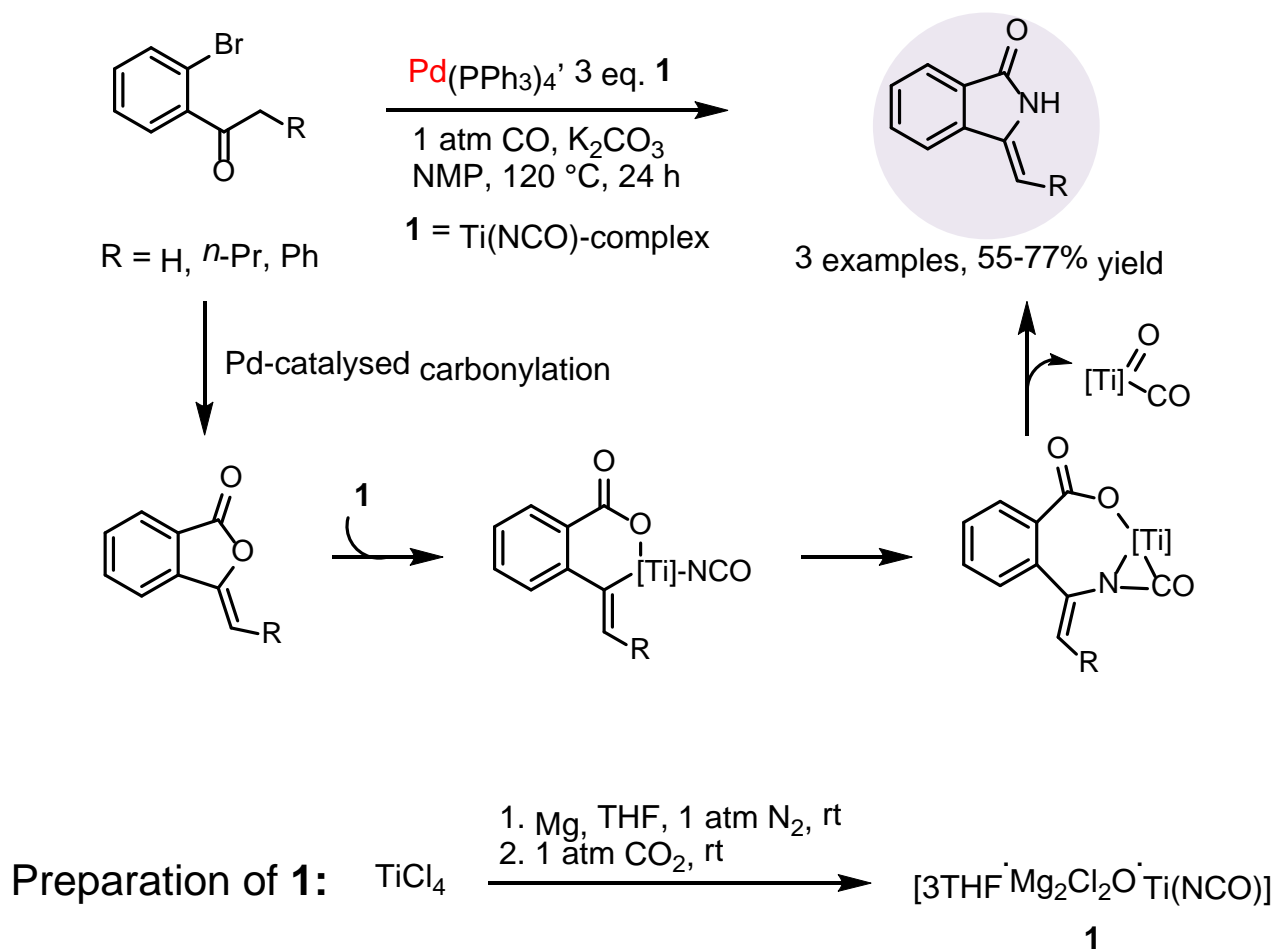


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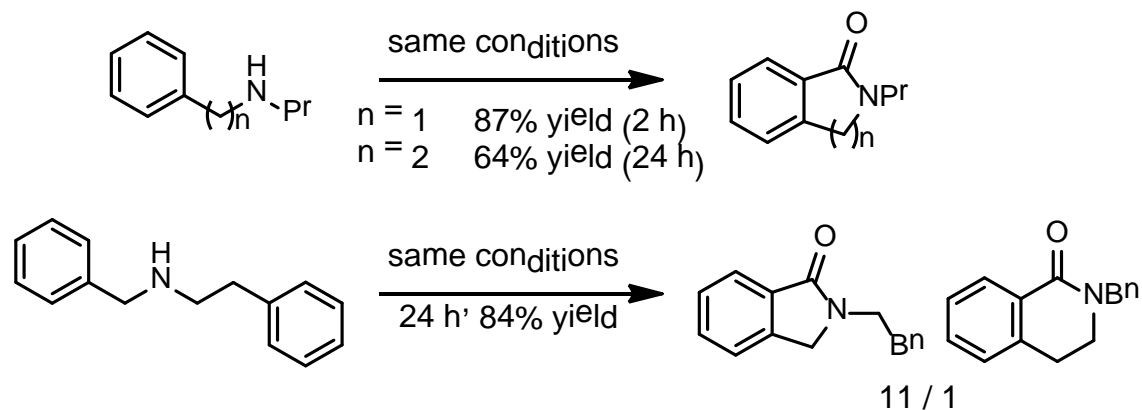
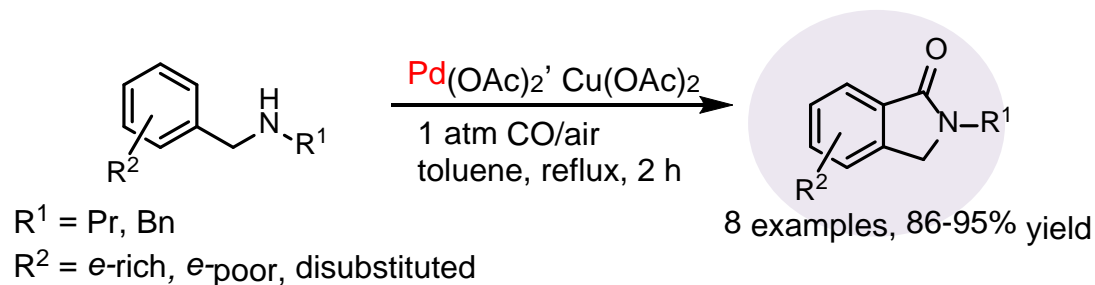


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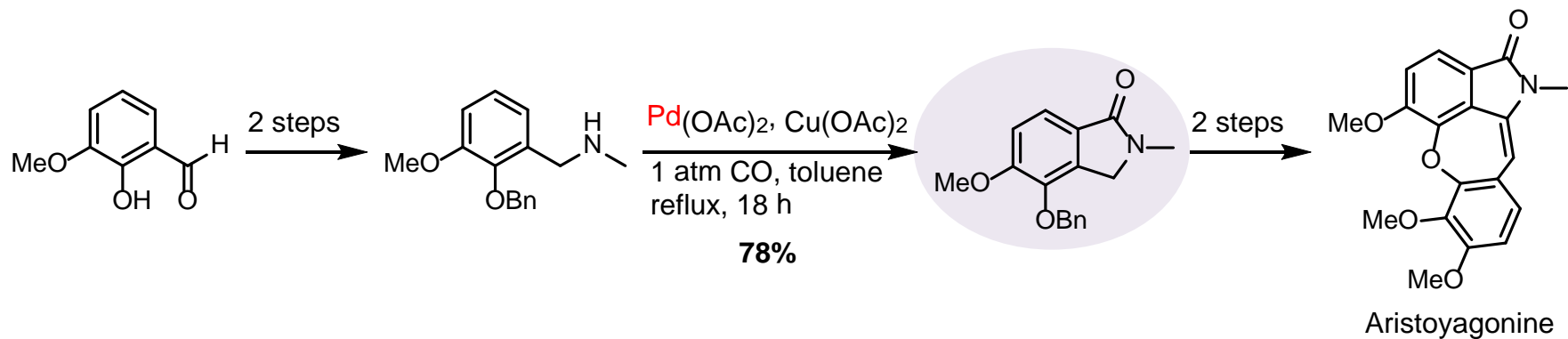


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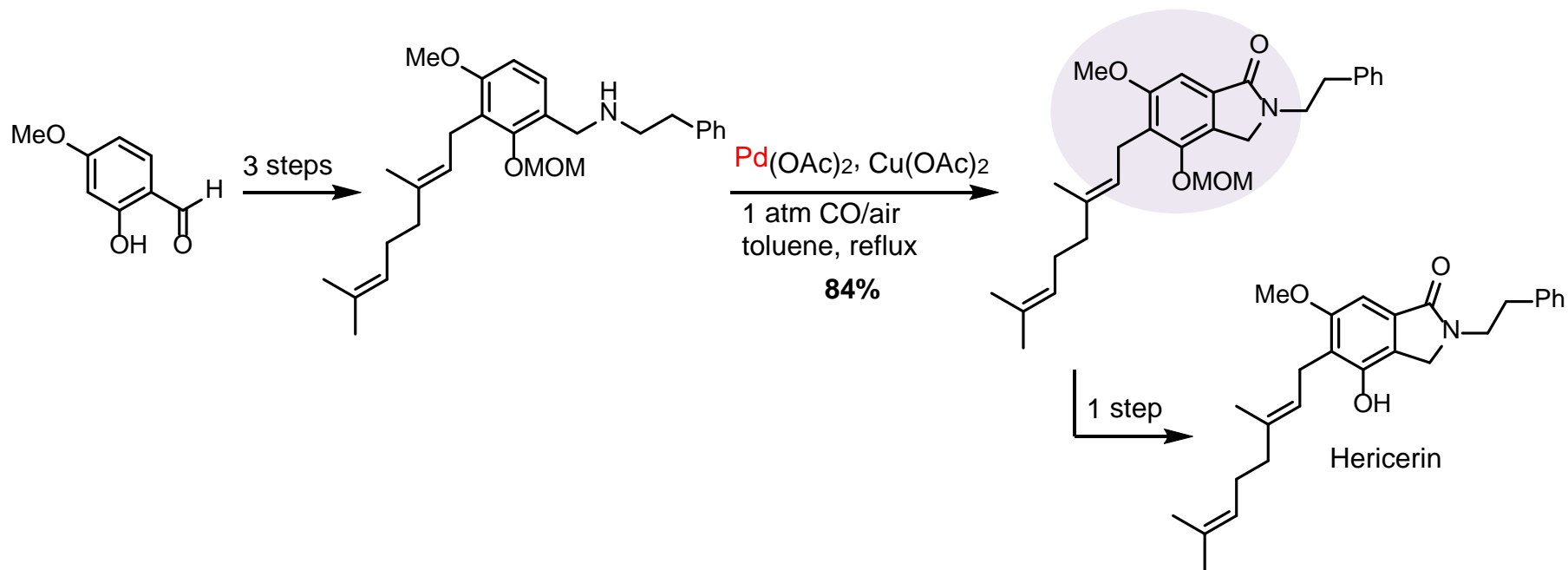
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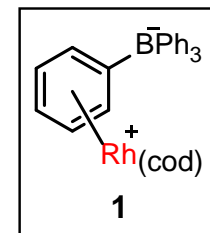
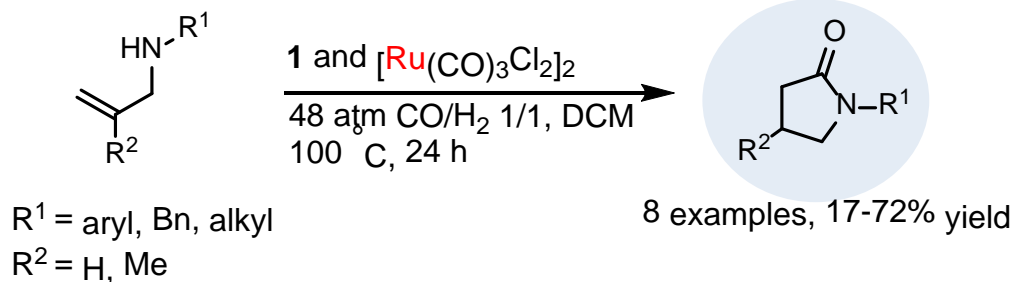


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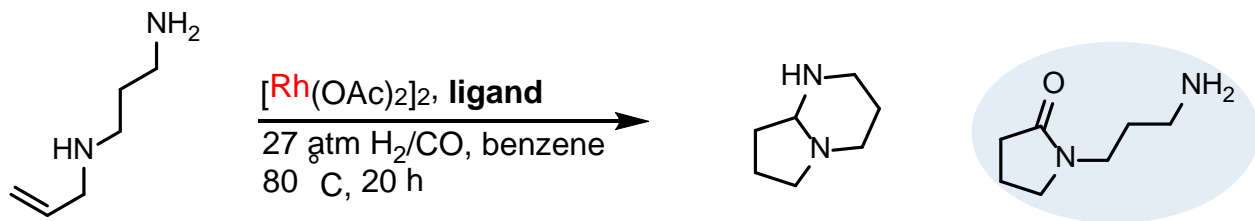




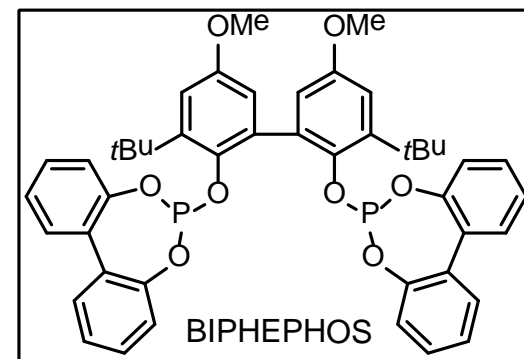
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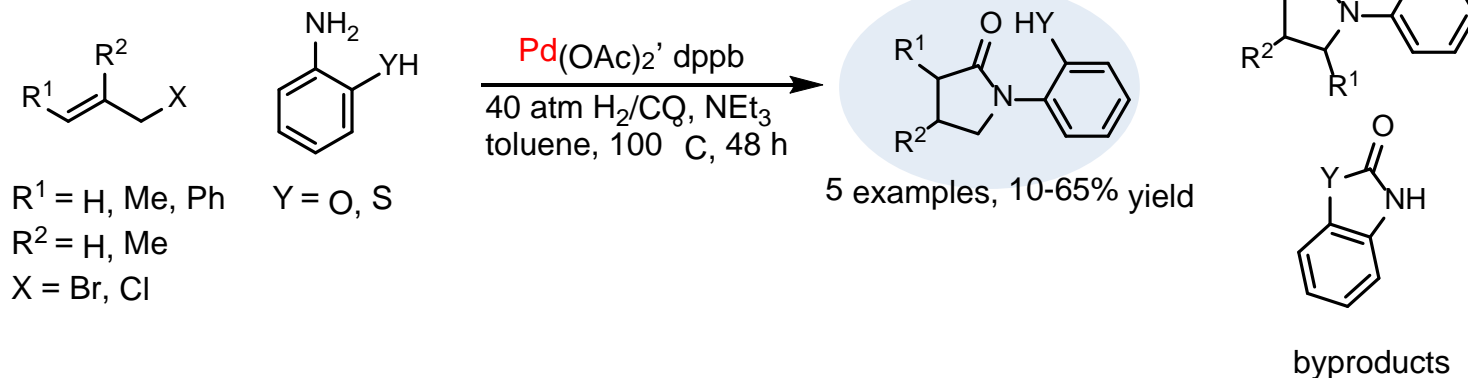
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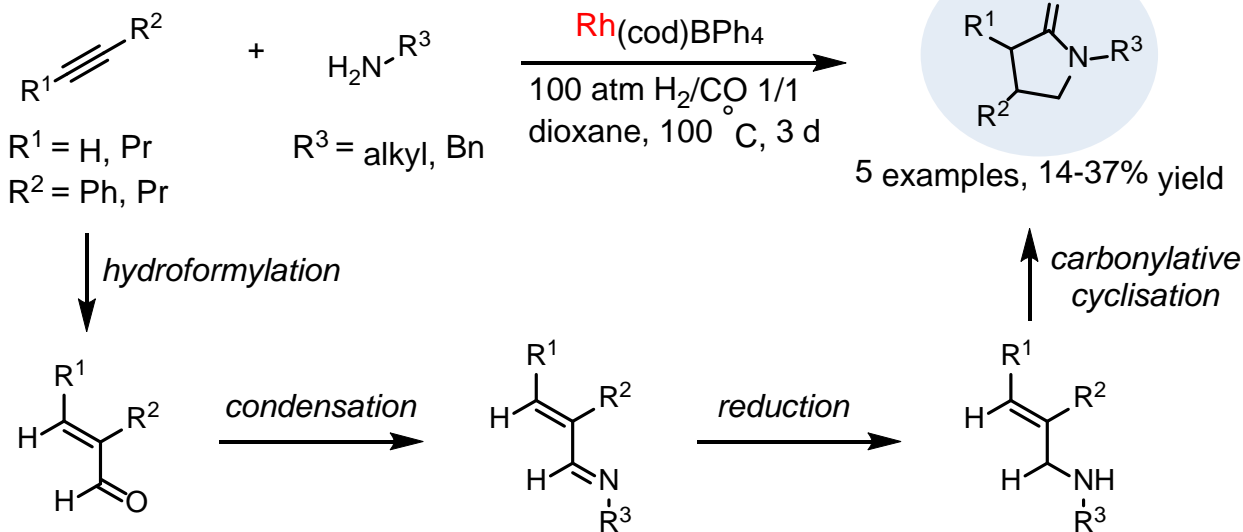
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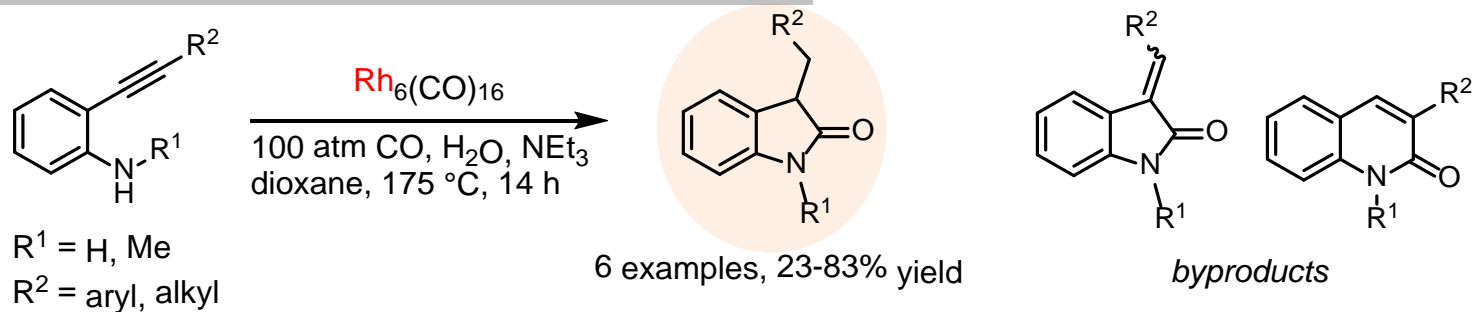
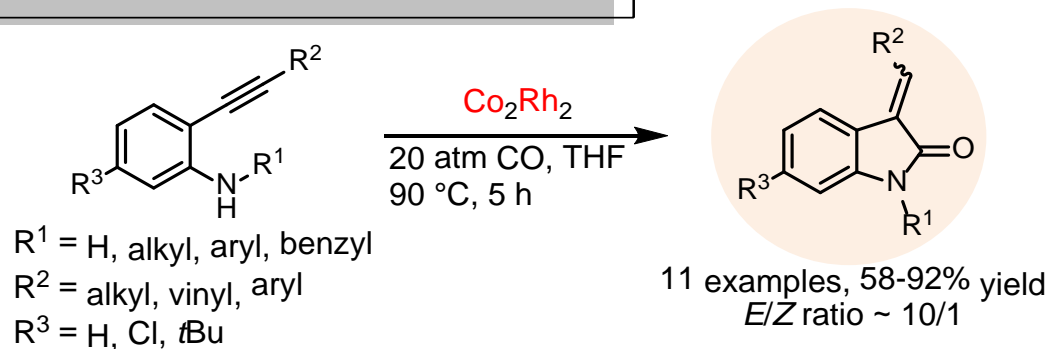


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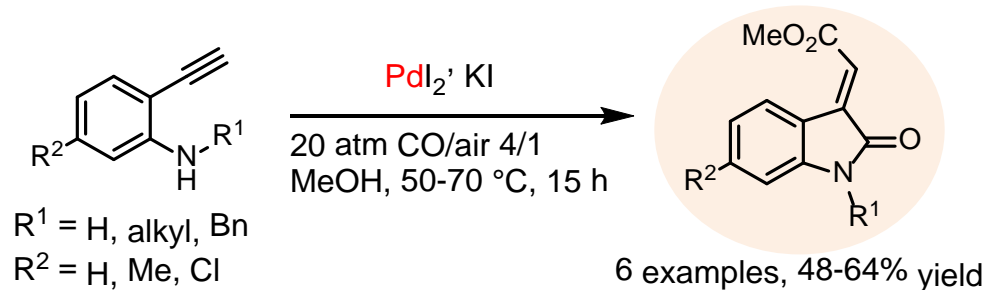


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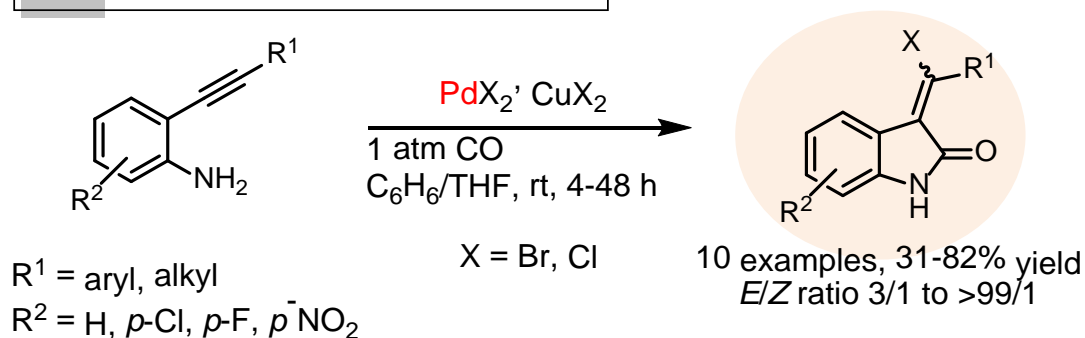


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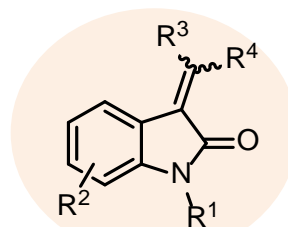
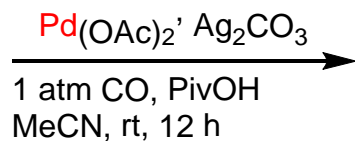
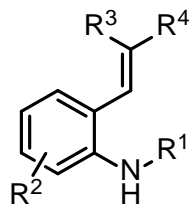
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R<sup>1</sup> = Me, *n*Bu, allyl

R<sup>2</sup> = Me, Cl, ketone

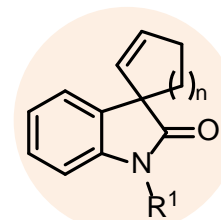
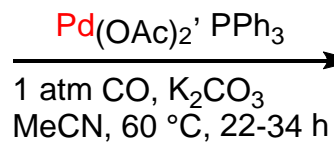
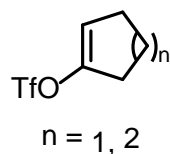
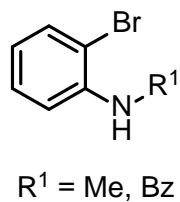
R<sup>3</sup> = alkyl, (hetero)aryl, ester, nitrile

R<sup>4</sup> = H, Ph

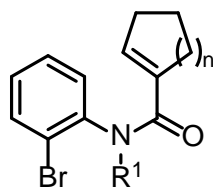
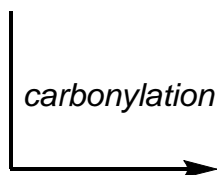
20 examples, 55-93% yield  
*E/Z* selectivity: 1/1 to 2/1

**Question 2:** what is the mechanism of this reaction?

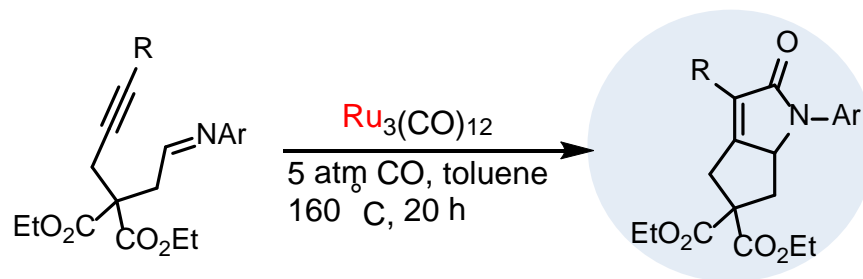
R<sup>1</sup> Grigg *et al*, *Tetrahedron Lett* **1996**, 37, 695-698



3 examples, 49-61% yield



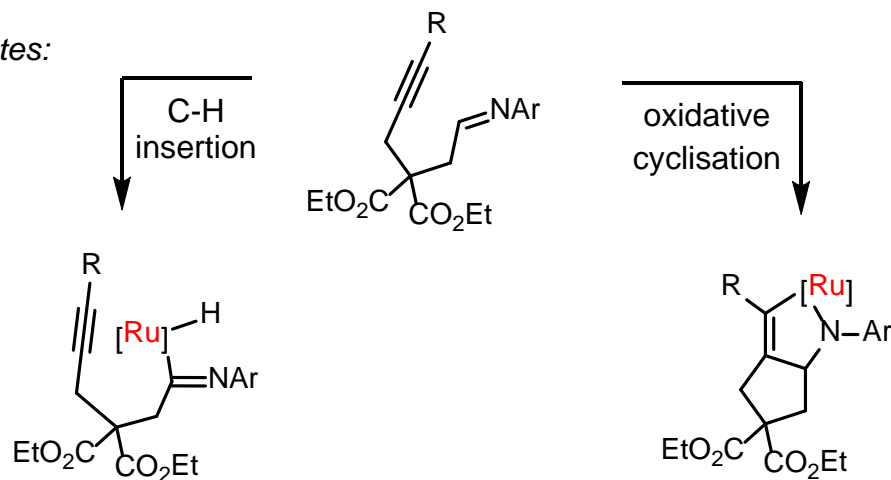
S. Murai *et al.* *J. Organomet. Chem.* **1999**, 579, 177-181



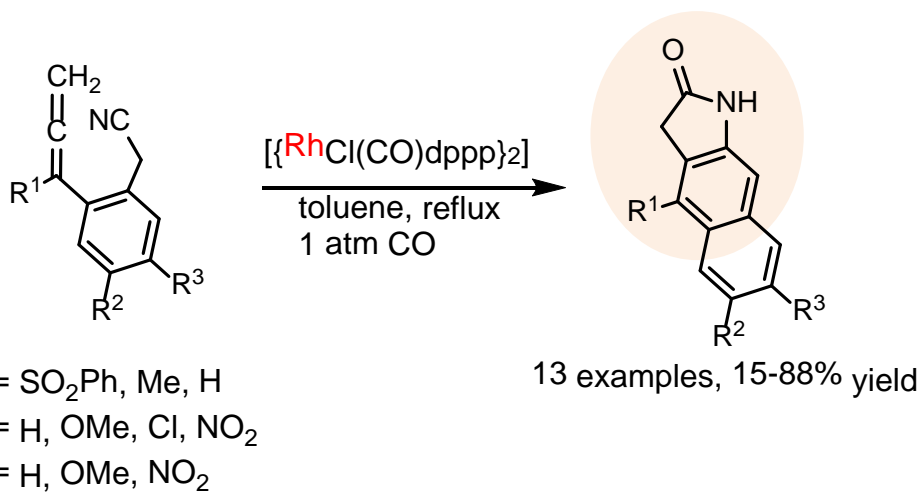
R = TMS, Ph, alkyl  
Ar = *p*-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

4 examples, 43-66% yield

possible intermediates:

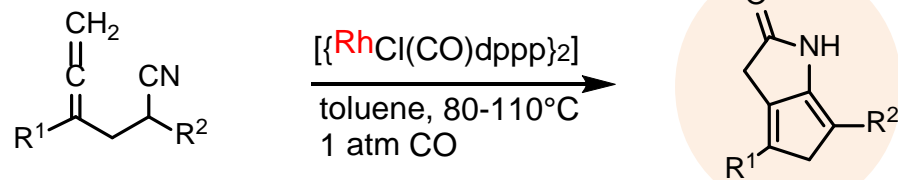


C. Mukai *et al*, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2013**, *52*, 11138-11142





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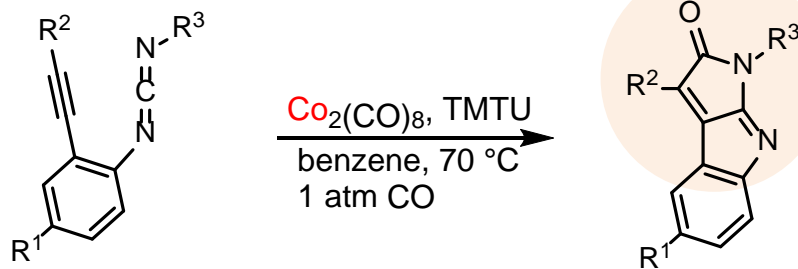


R<sup>1</sup> = Me, *i*Pr, *n*Bu, *t*Bu, CH<sub>2</sub>OTBS

R<sup>2</sup> = CN, CO<sub>2</sub>Et, SO<sub>2</sub>Ph, Piv, *o*- and *p*-NO<sub>2</sub>-C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>

13 examples, 16-83% yield

C. Mukai *et al*, *Org. Lett.* **2006**, 8, 83-86

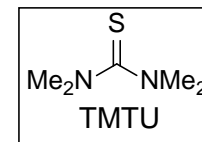


R<sup>1</sup> = H, Me, OMe, Cl

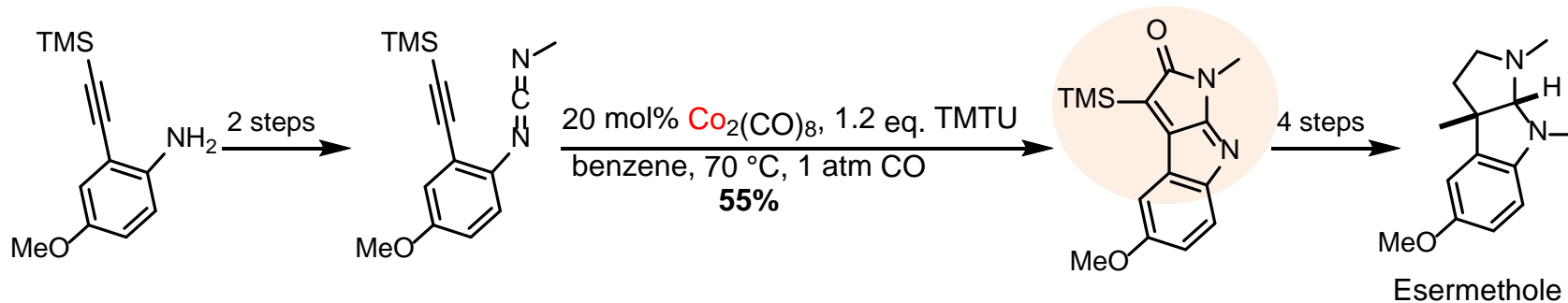
R<sup>2</sup> = TMS, alkyl, CH<sub>2</sub>OTHP, (CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>OTBS

R<sup>3</sup> = Me, aryl

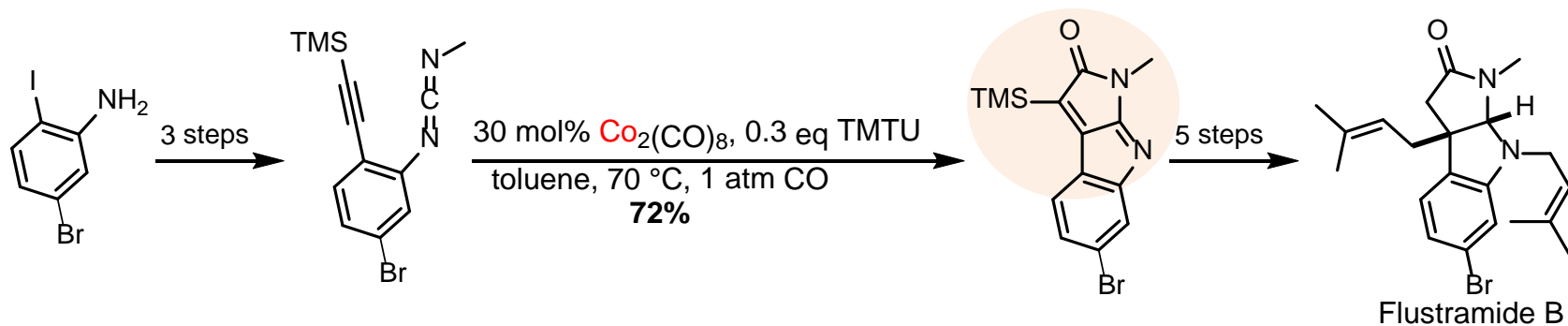
10 examples, 5-66% yield



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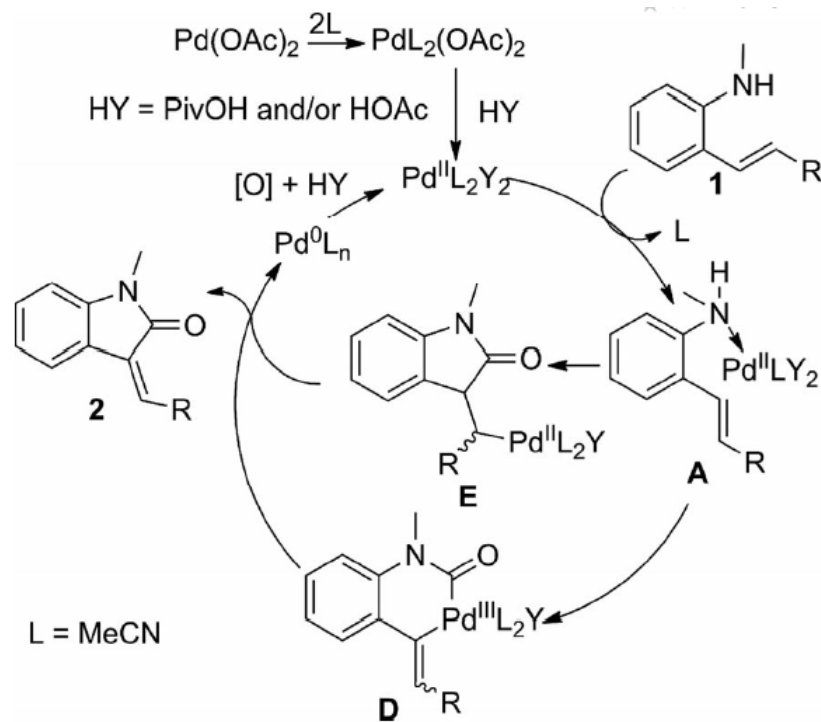
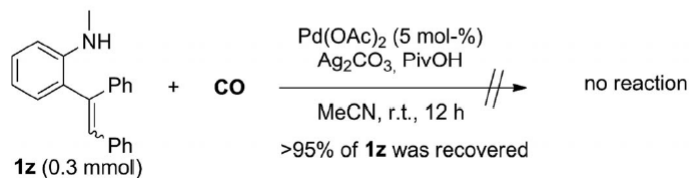


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J. Li *et al.* *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **2014**, 616-623



# Catalytic enantioselective 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions of azomethine ylides

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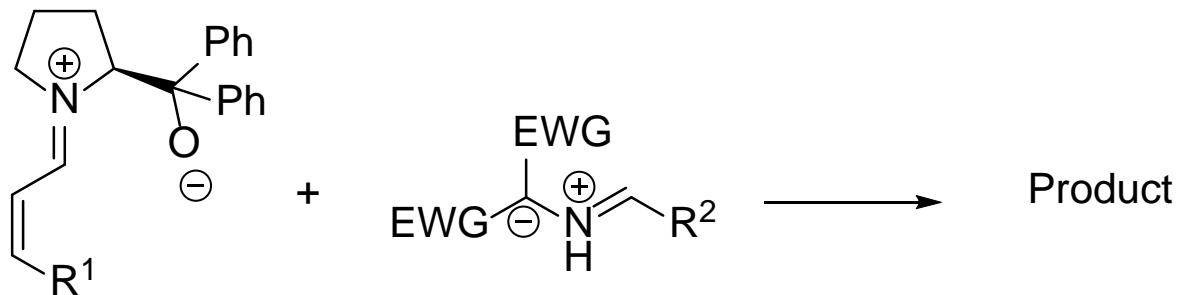
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# Questions

1. In the work reported by Hou 'inversion of diastereoselectivity' the use of *t*BuOK as base instead of Et<sub>3</sub>N provides higher yields. Explain.

2. Draw the structure of the product (at least the correct diastereoisomer), knowing that the reaction is concerted with an *endo* transition state.

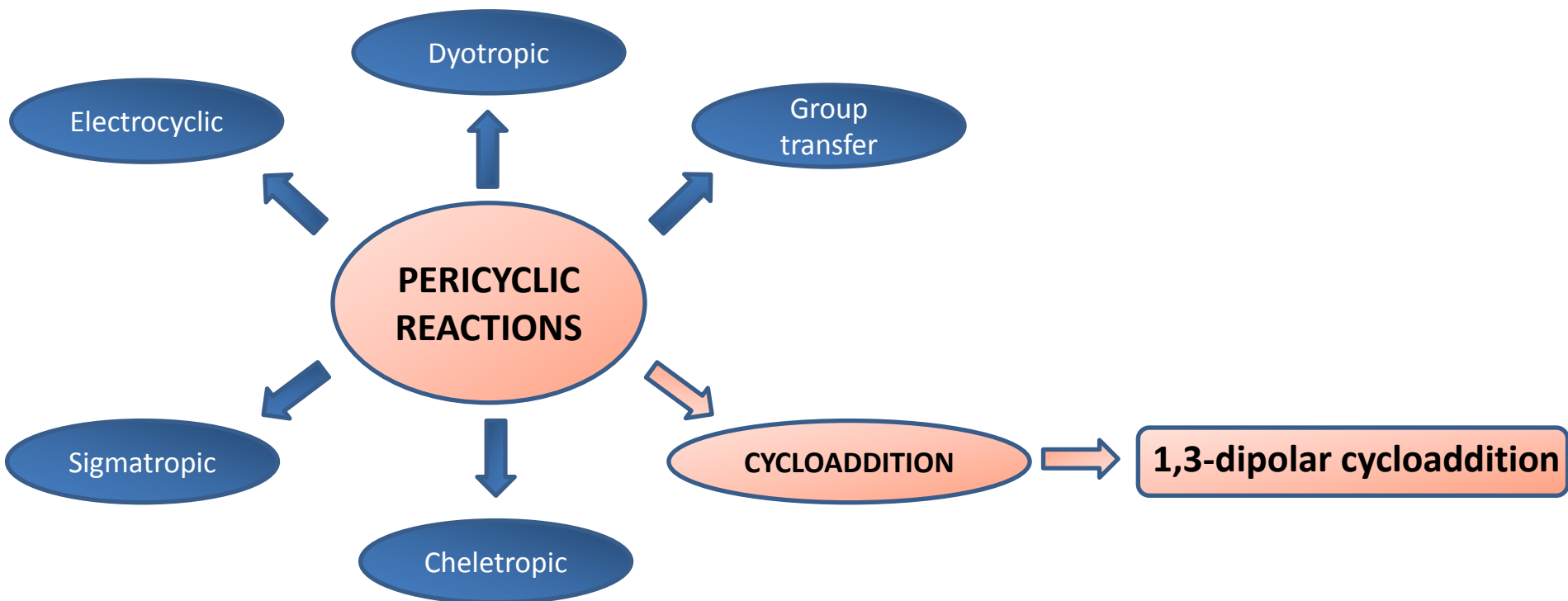


# Outline of the talk

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- Introduction
  - Metal catalyzed 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions of azomethine ylides
  - Organocatalyzed 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions of azomethine ylides
  - Conclusions and outlook
  - Questions
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# Introduction



**Pericyclic reaction:** concerted reaction, cyclic TS.

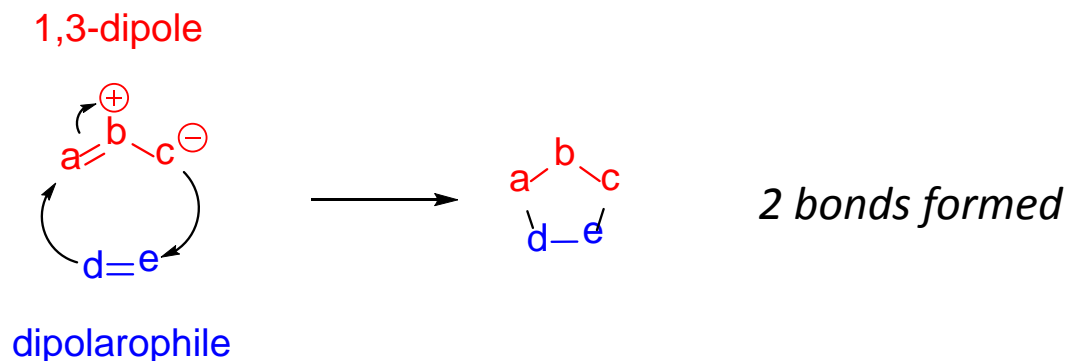
**Cycloaddition:** two or more unsaturated molecules (or parts of the same molecule) combine with the formation of a cyclic adduct in which there is a net reduction of the bond multiplicity.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>1</sup> International Union of Pure and Applied Chemistry (IUPAC). "Cycloaddition".



# 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition (DC)

## General mechanism

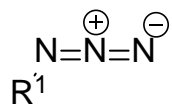


- **Atom economy**
- Rapid access to chemical complexity
- Efficient method for the synthesis of **highly functionalized heterocycles**

# 1,3-dipoles

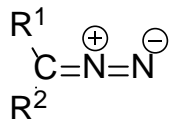
**1,3-dipole:** dipolar compound with delocalized electrons and a separation of charge over three atoms

## Examples of 1,3-dipoles

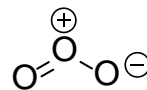


Azides

Linear

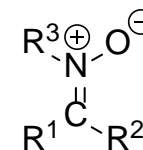


Diazo compounds



Ozone

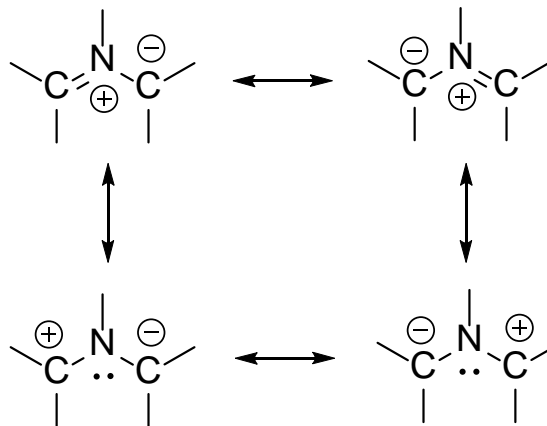
Bent



Nitrones

## Azomethine ylides:

Octet structures

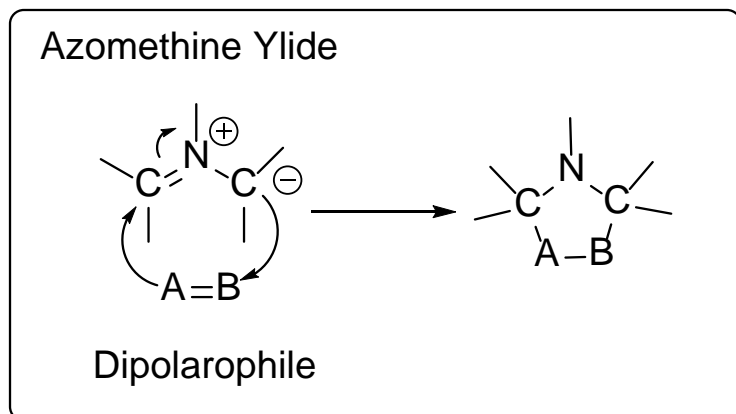


Sextet structures

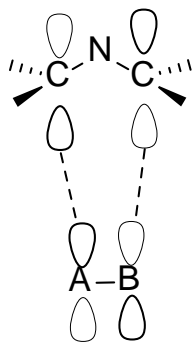
- 4 electrons in 3 parallel  $\pi$  orbitals
- Bent-type structure
- Enable synthesis of **nitrogen-containing heterocycles**

# 1,3-DC of azomethine ylides

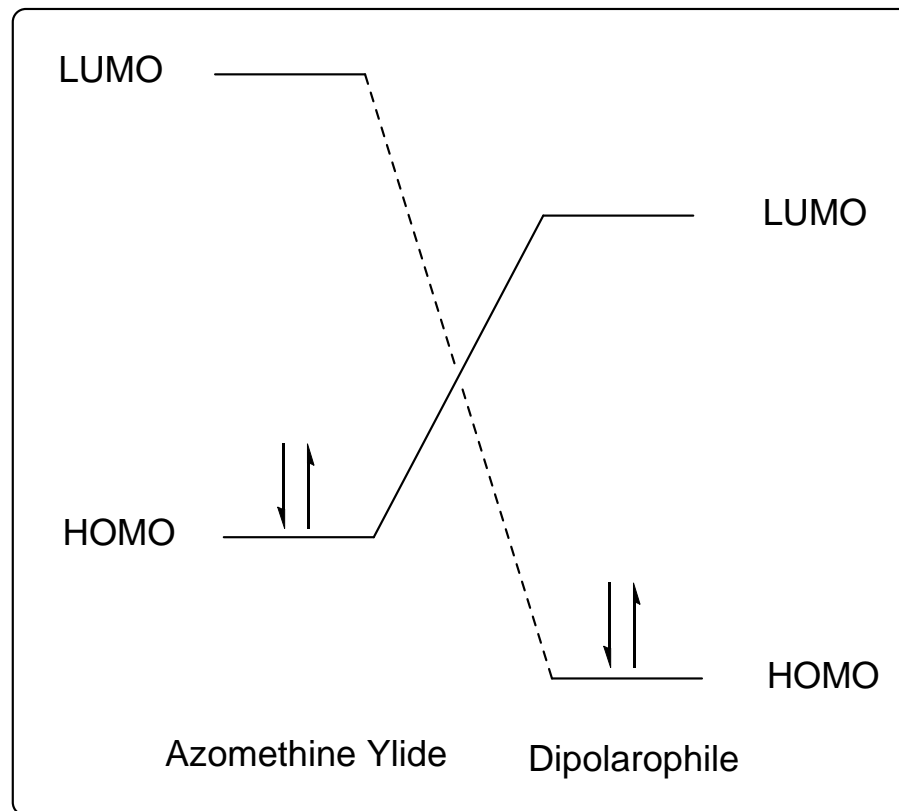
## Mechanism:



Usually concerted mechanism  
[ $\pi^4s + \pi^2s$ ] = Suprafacial/suprafacial process  
thermally allowed:

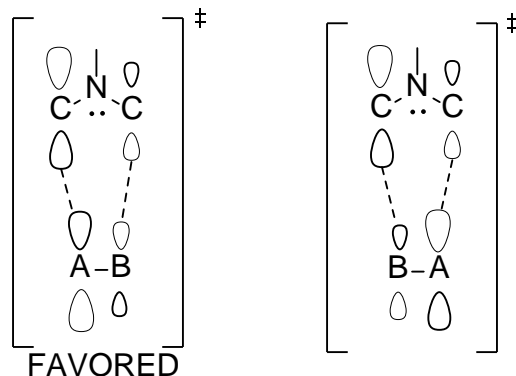


## HOMO-LUMO interactions:



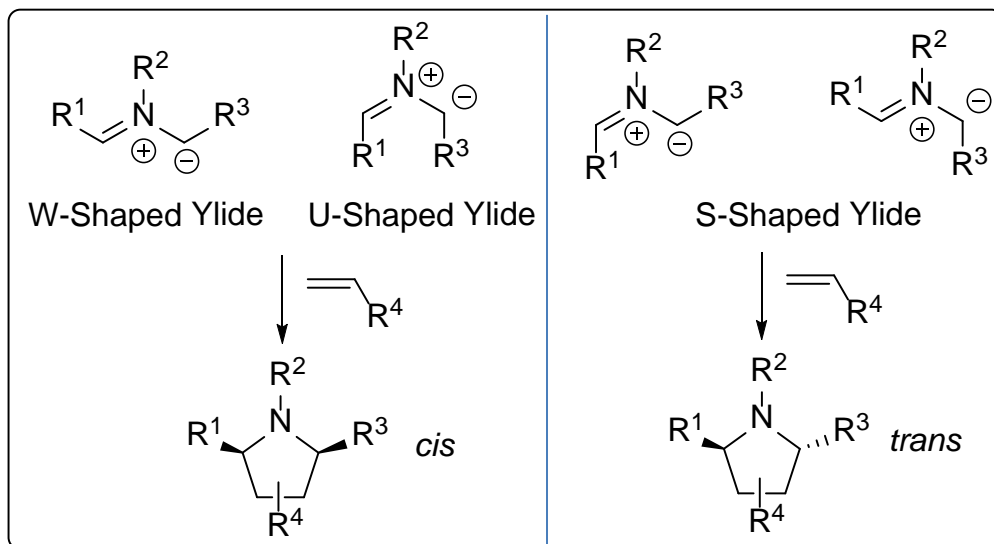
# 1,3-DC of azomethine ylides

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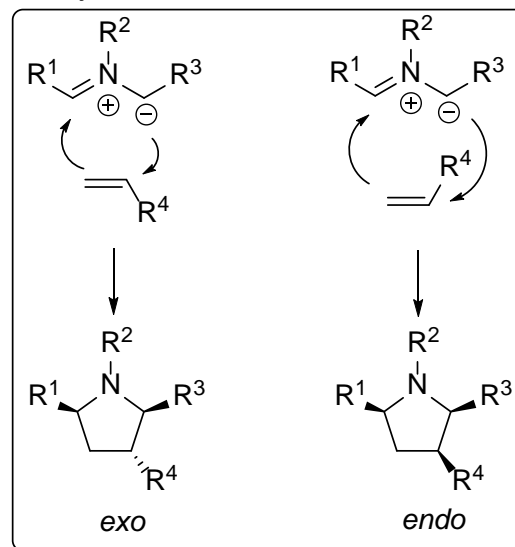


Stereochemistry:

1,3-dipole:

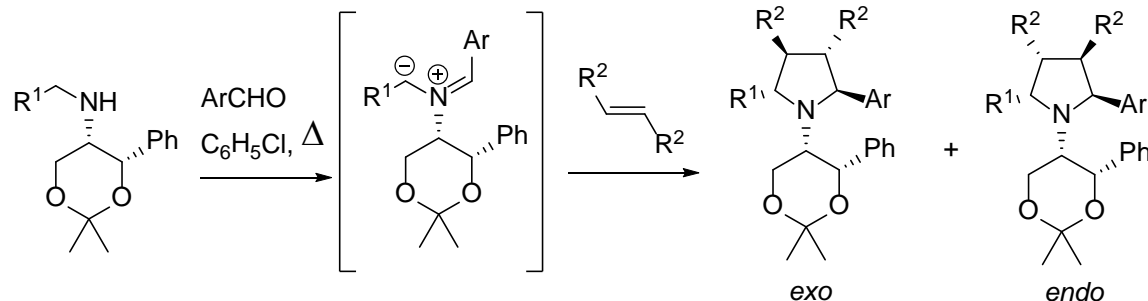


Exo/Endo TS:

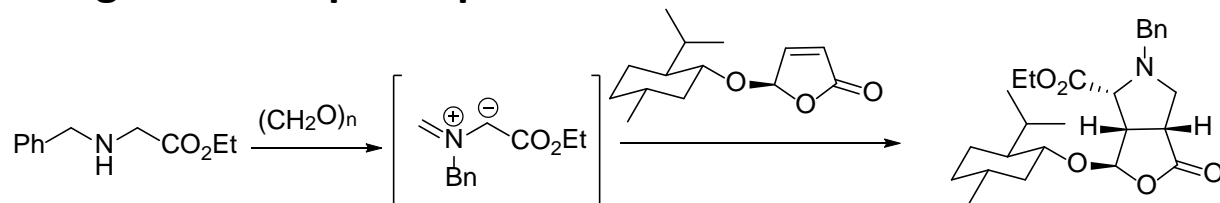


# Enantioselective 1,3-DC of azomethine ylides

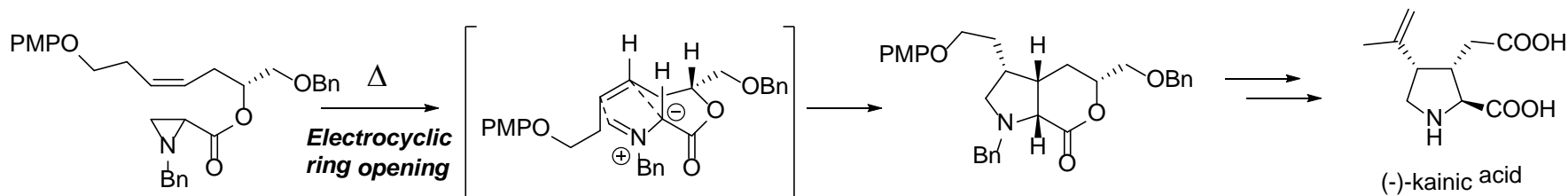
## Enders: Chiral 1,3-dipole



## Feringa: Chiral dipolarophile



## Ogasawara: Intramolecular 1,3-DC



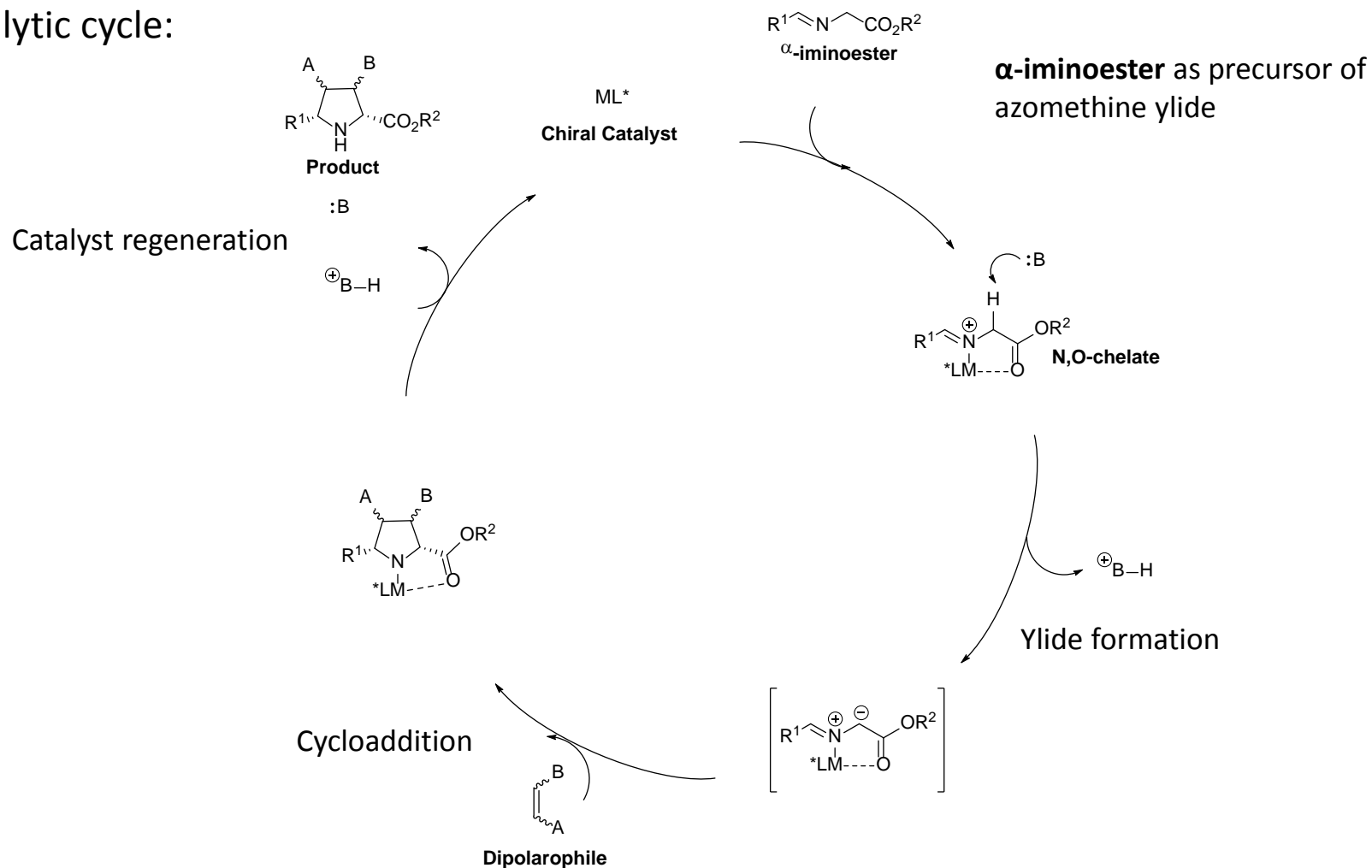
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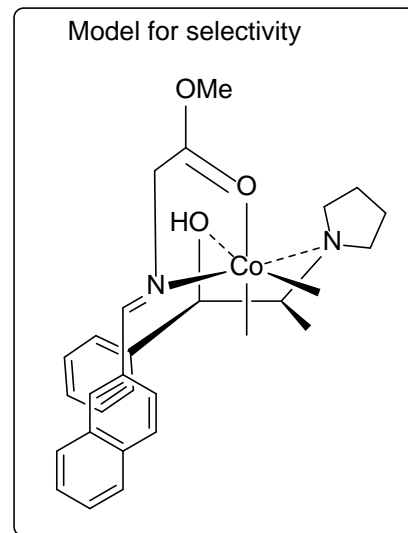
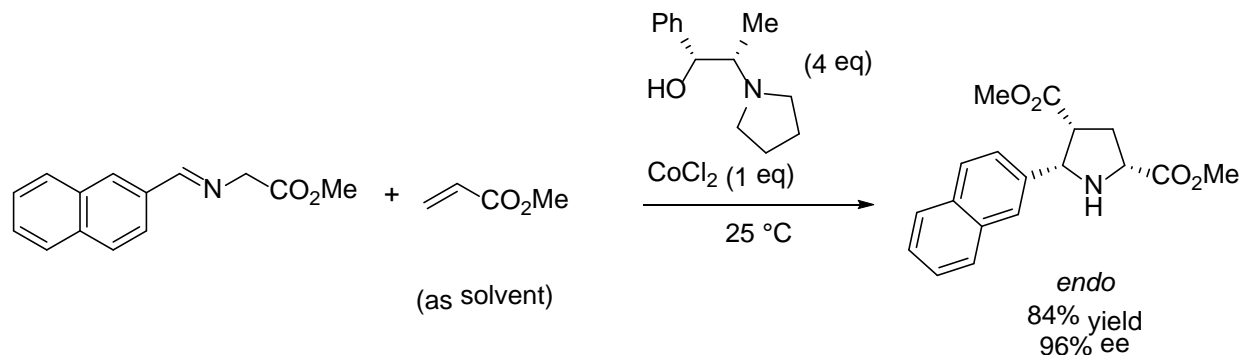
# Metal catalyzed enantioselective 1,3-DC of azomethine ylides

Catalytic cycle:

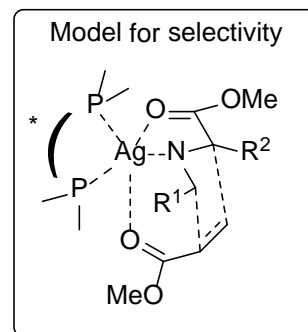
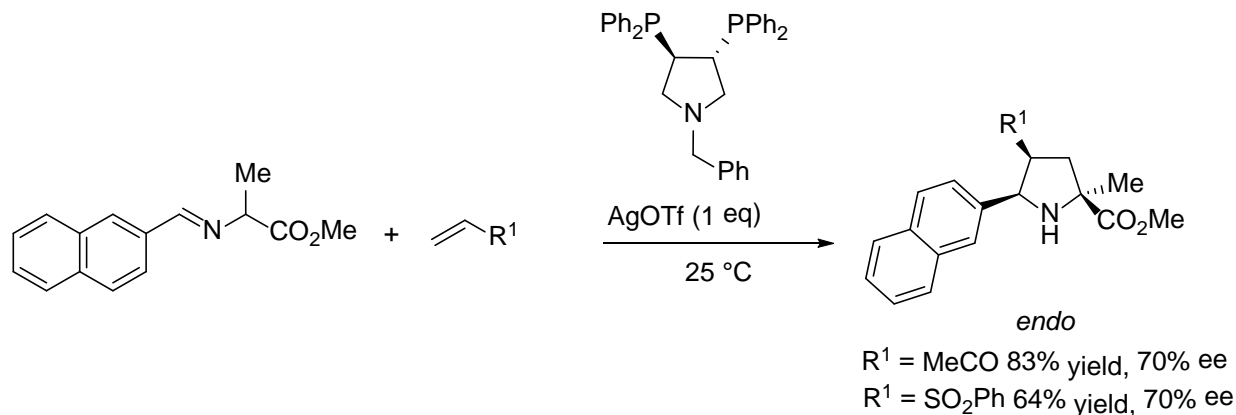


# Pioneering works in catalytic enantioselective 1,3-DC

## Grigg: Chiral Copper Catalyst



## Grigg: Chiral Silver Catalyst

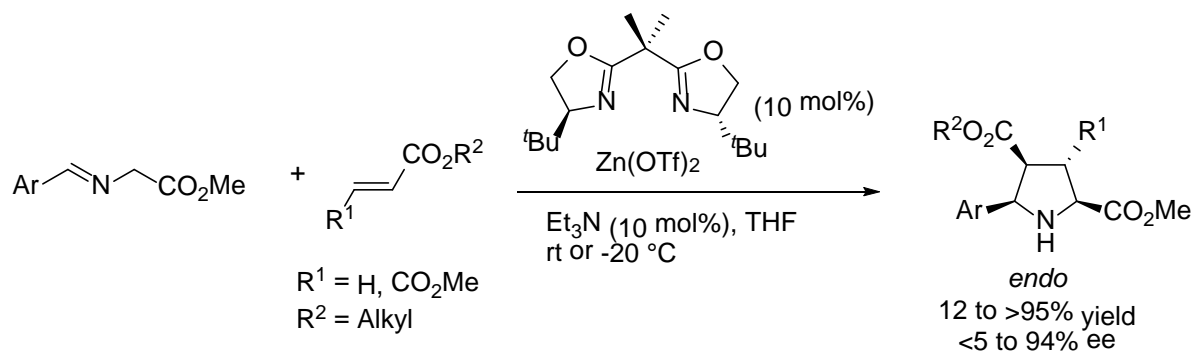


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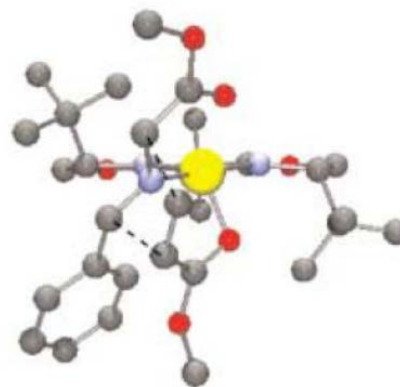
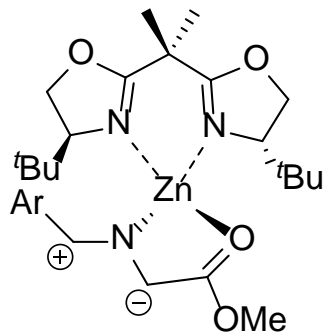
# Pioneering works in catalytic enantioselective 1,3-DC

## Jørgensen: Zinc catalyzed 1,3-DC



Model for selectivity:

Tetrahedral geometry:  
*Wrong enantiomer*

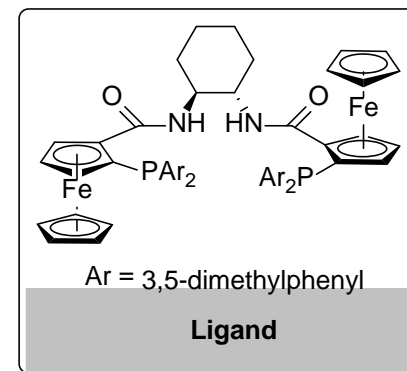
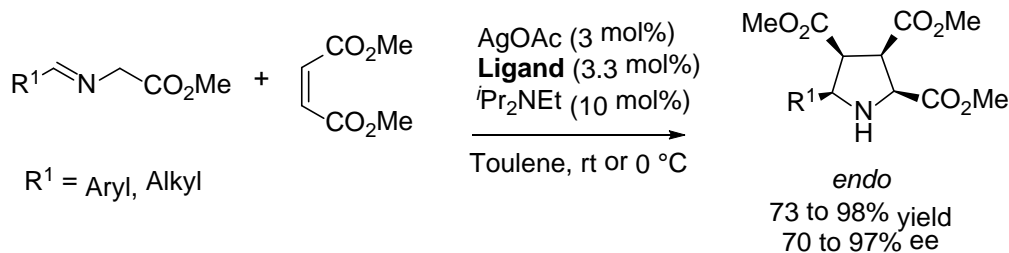


Bipyramidal geometry  
(dipolarophile coordinated):  
*Observed enantiomer*

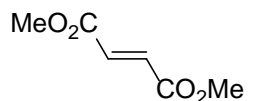


# Pioneering works in catalytic enantioselective 1,3-DC

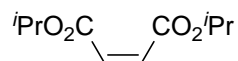
## Zhang: Silver catalyzed 1,3-DC



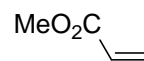
### Other dipolarophiles



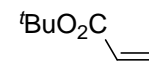
88% yield, 52% ee



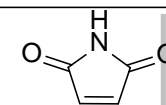
85% yield, 87% ee



90% yield, 60% ee

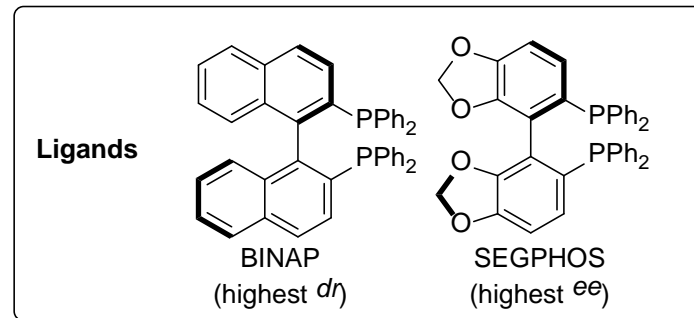
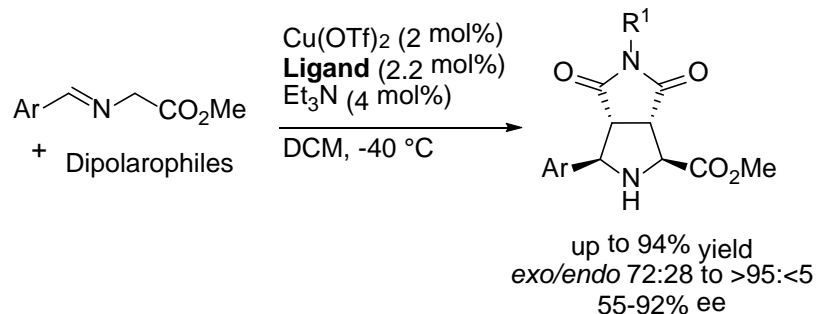


85% yield, 93% ee

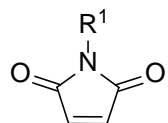


85% yield, 93% ee

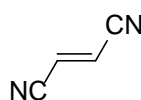
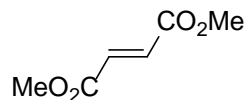
# Komatsu: *exo* selective 1,3-DC



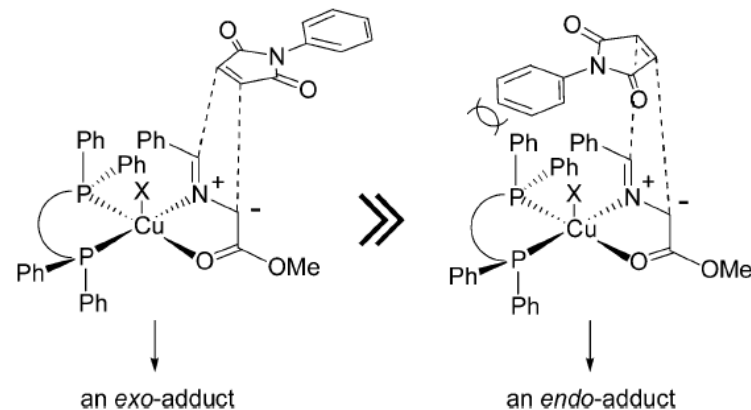
## Dipolarophiles:



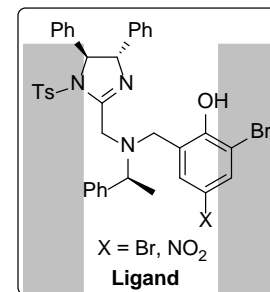
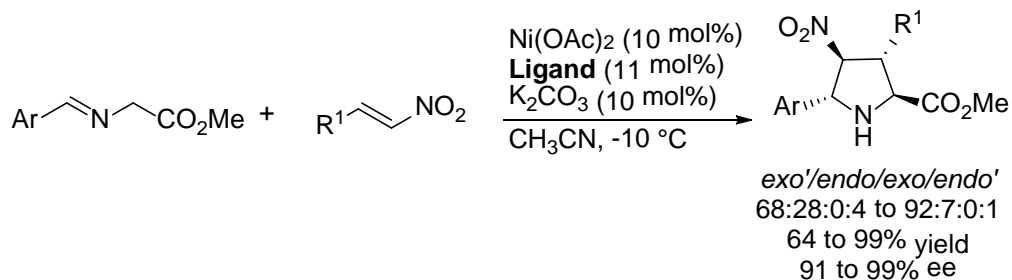
R<sup>1</sup> = Ph,  
Me (lower *dr*)



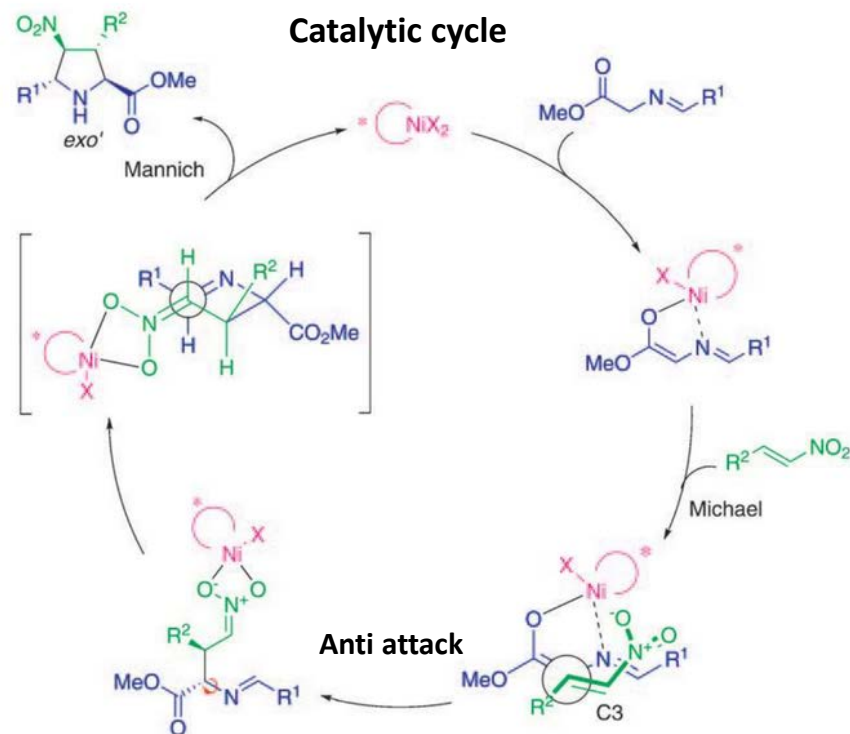
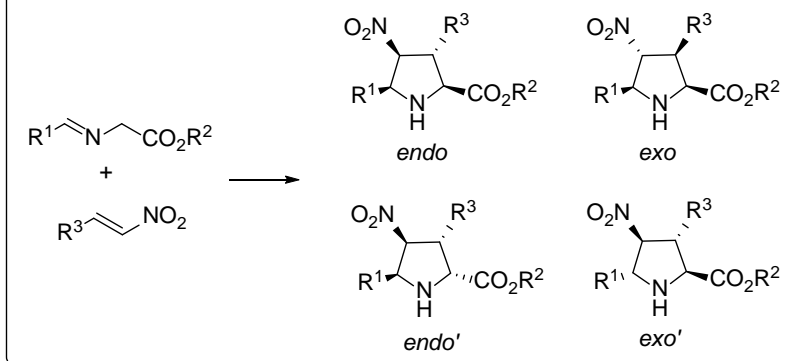
## Stereochemical model



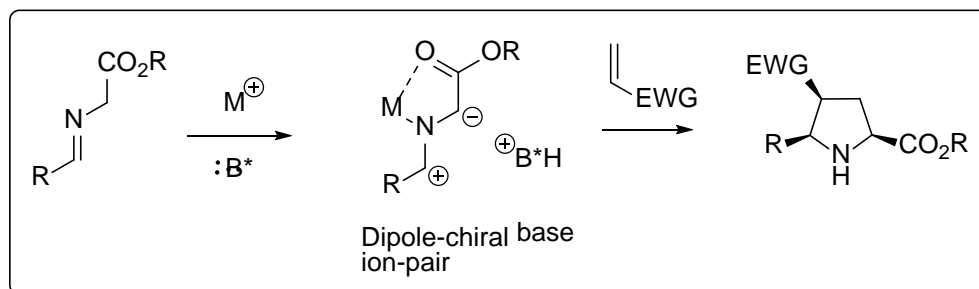
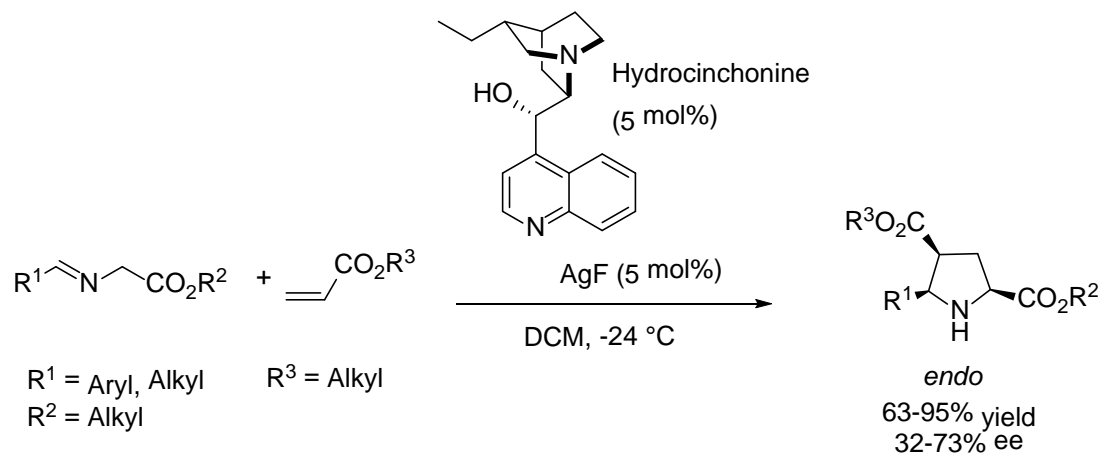
# Arai: *exo'* selective 1,3-DC



## 4 possible stereochemical outcomes

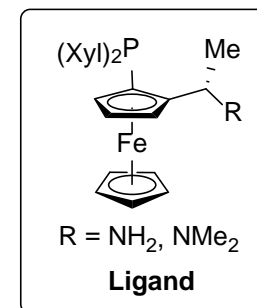
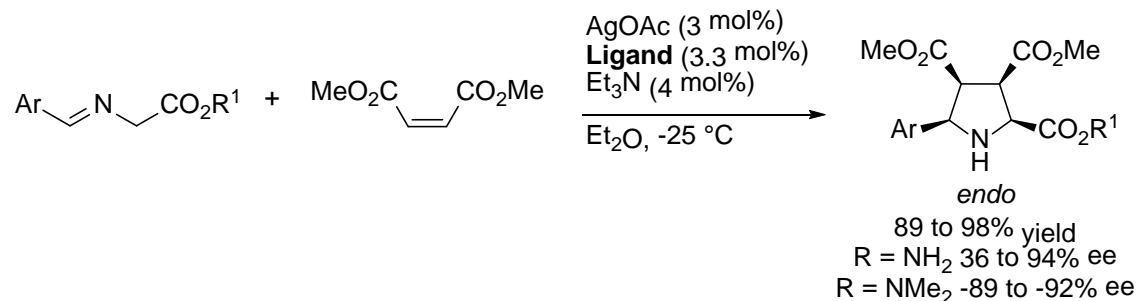


# Jørgensen: Silver/Chiral base Catalyst



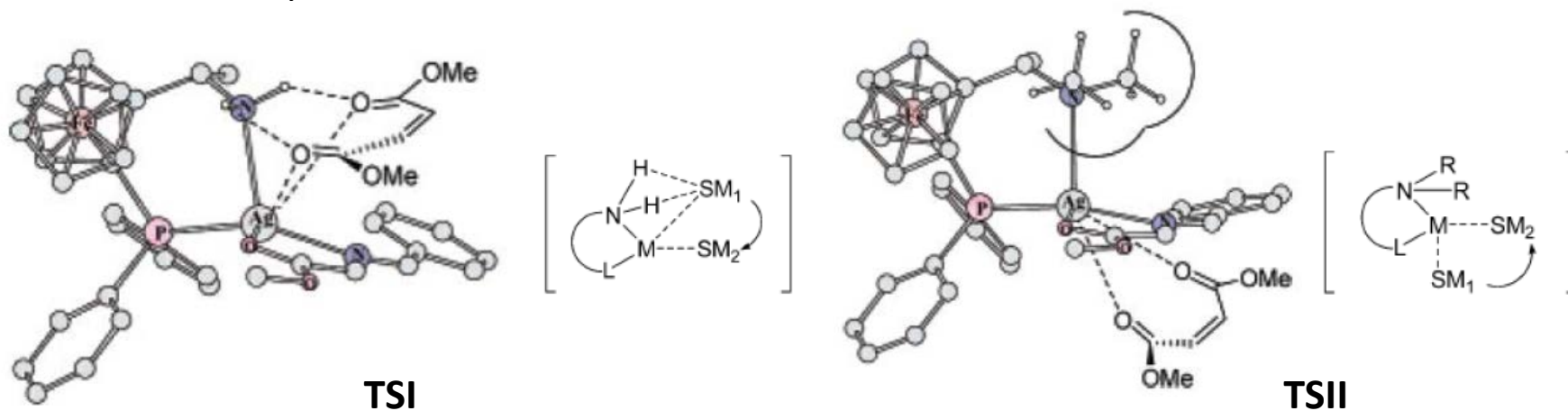
No need of dry, inert atmosphere conditions.

# Li: H-bond mediated inversion of enantioselectivity

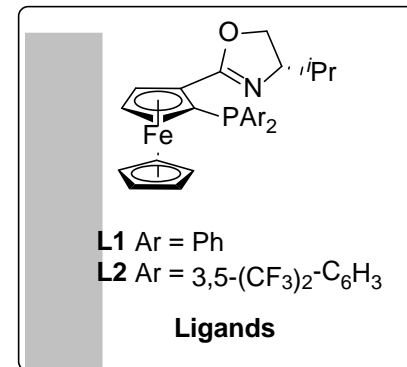
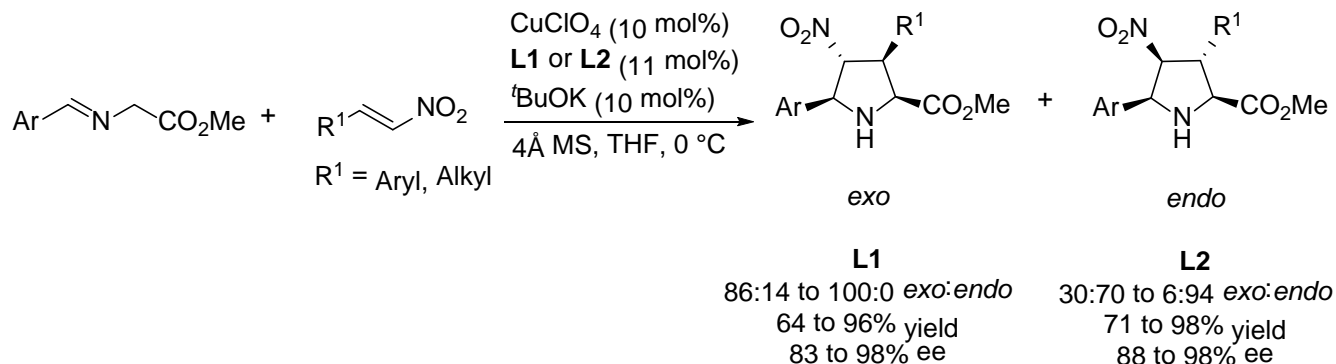


H-bonding involved: addition of *t*-amylOH and EtOH lowers *ee*

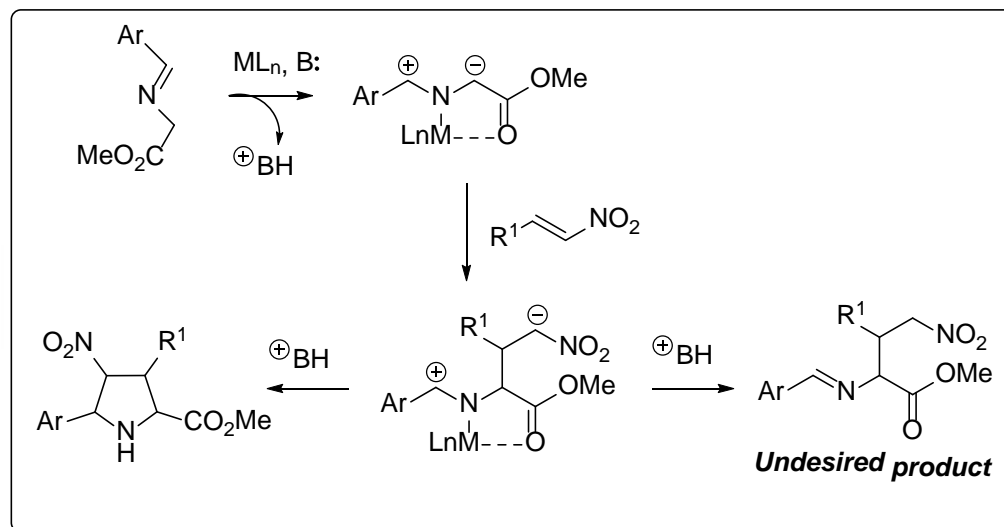
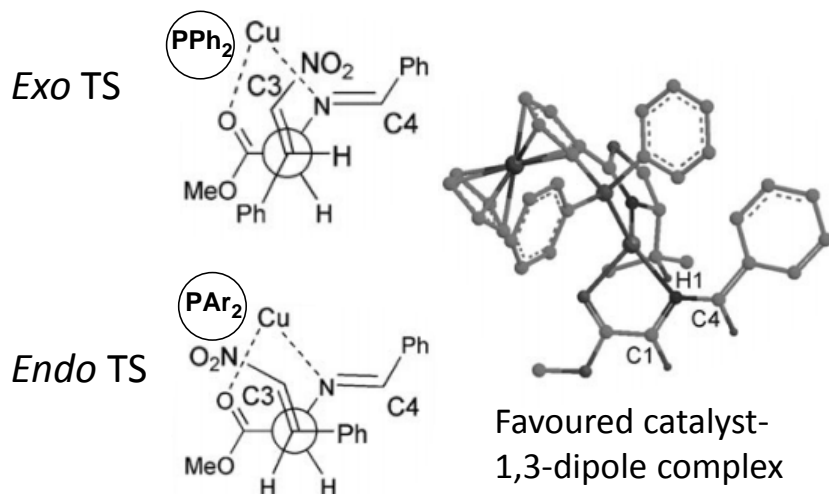
Model for selectivity:



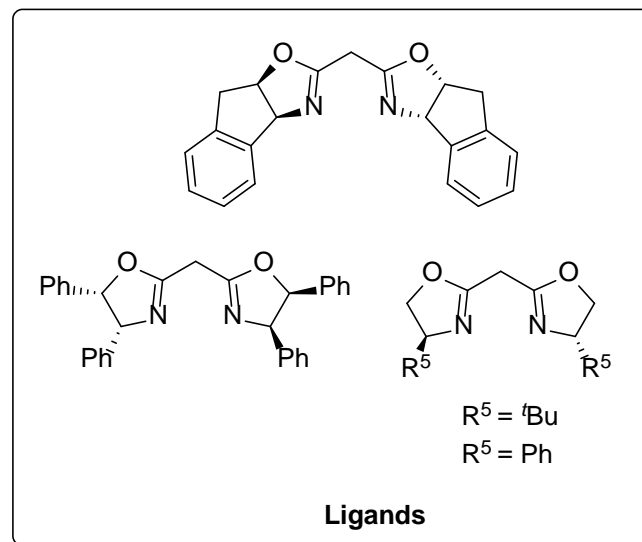
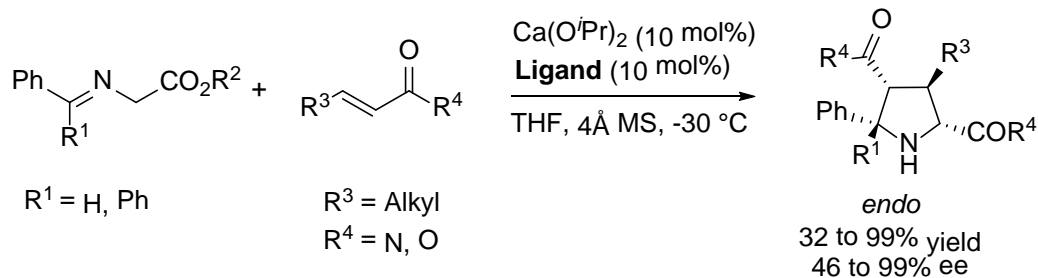
# Hou: inversion of diastereoselectivity



Model for selectivity:

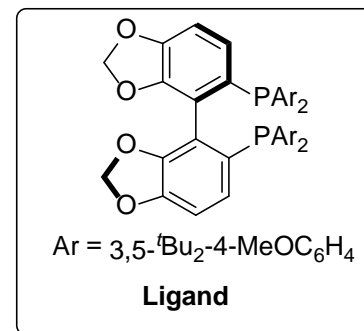
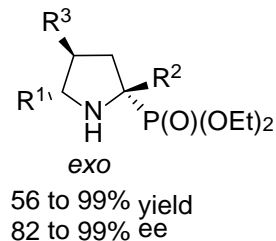
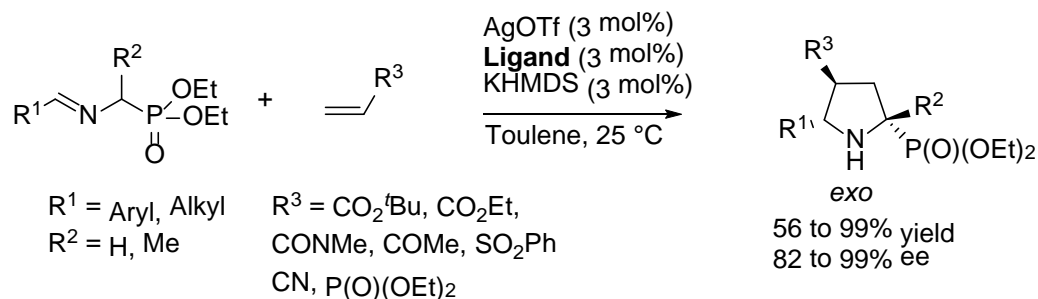


# Kobayashi: Calcium catalyzed 1,3-DC



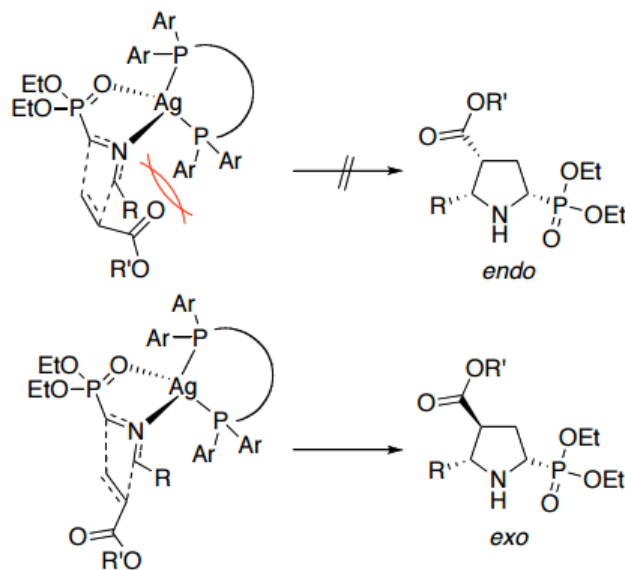
Stepwise mechanism.  
Anionic ligand.

# Kobayashi: $\alpha$ -iminophosphonates



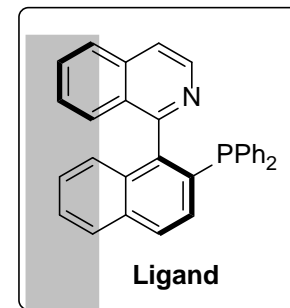
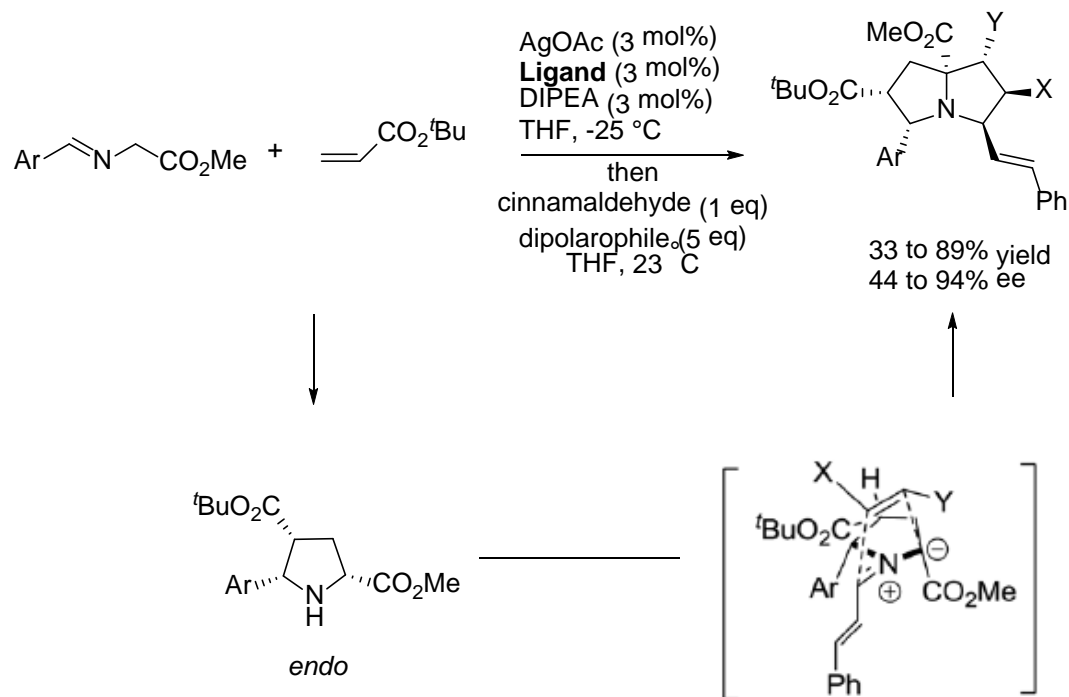
$\alpha$ -aminophosphonates are less acidic than  $\alpha$ -iminoester

Model for selectivity:



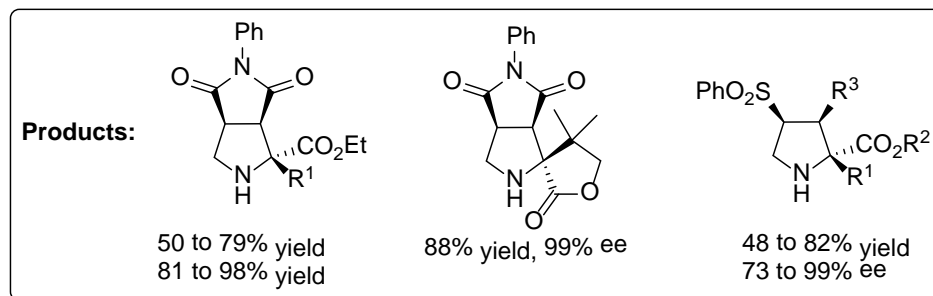
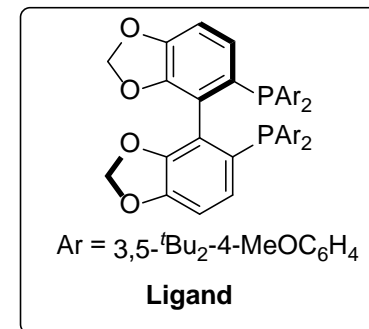
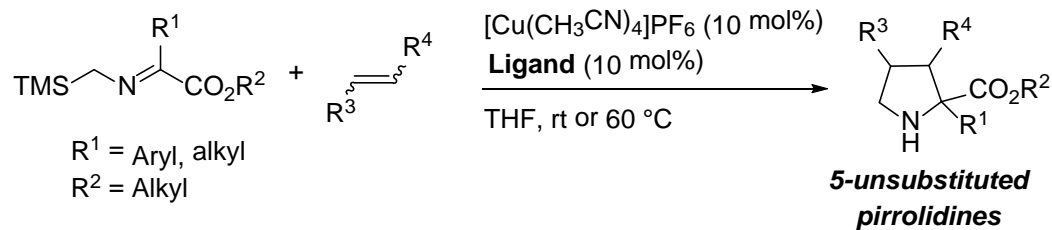


# Reisman: double 1,3-DC



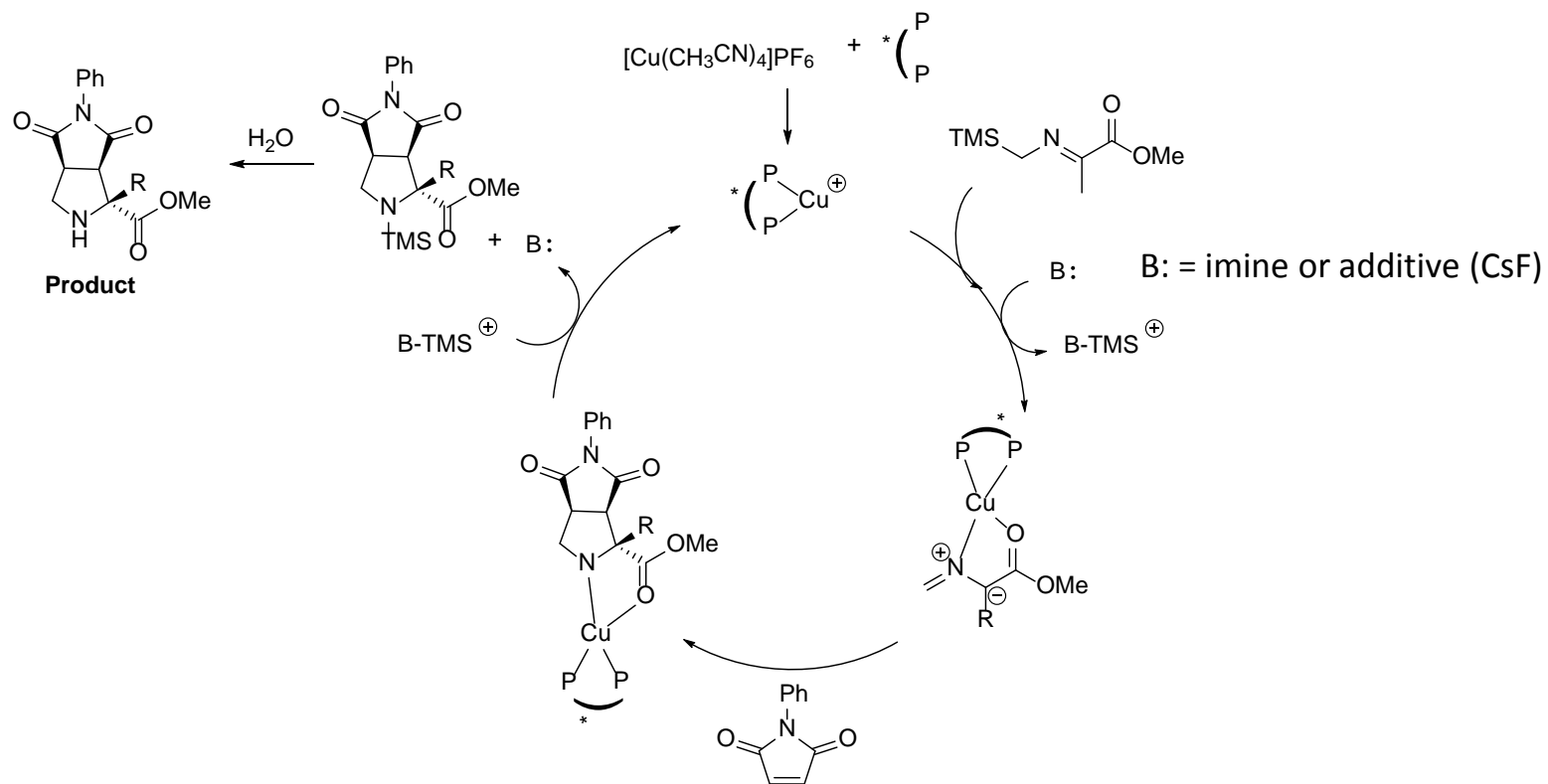
Only  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes work for second 1,3-DC.

# Carretero: $\alpha$ -silylimines

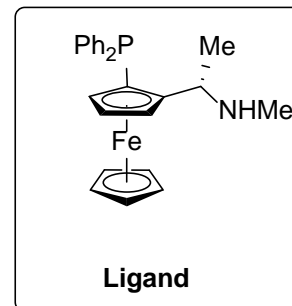
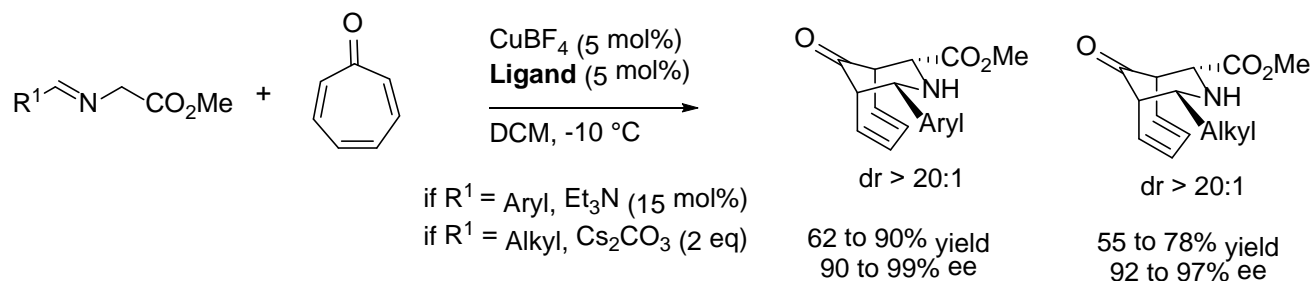


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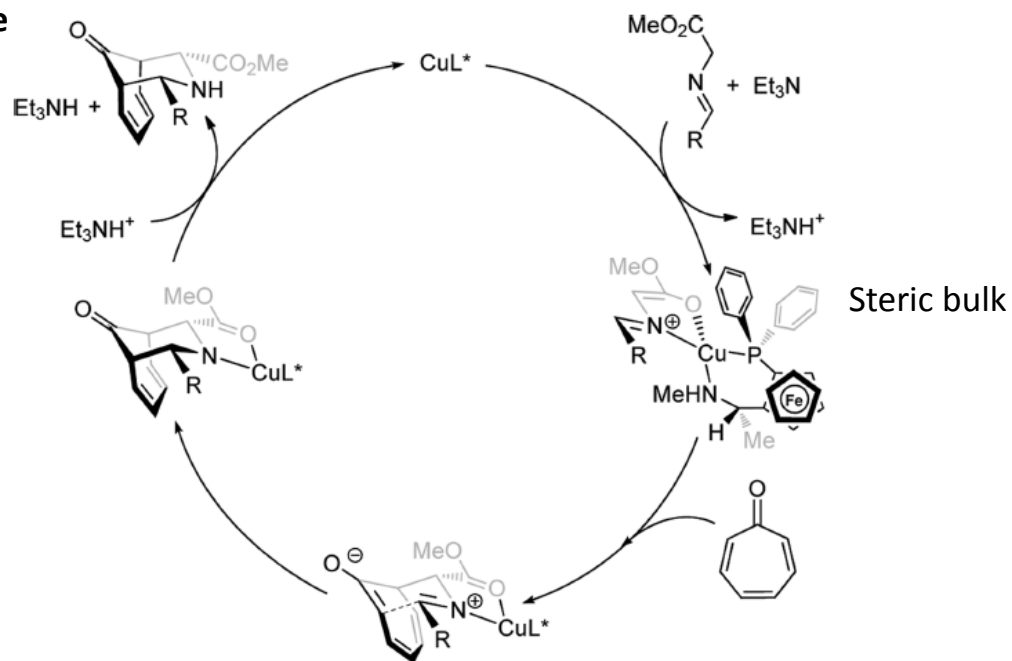
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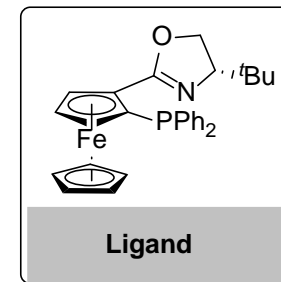
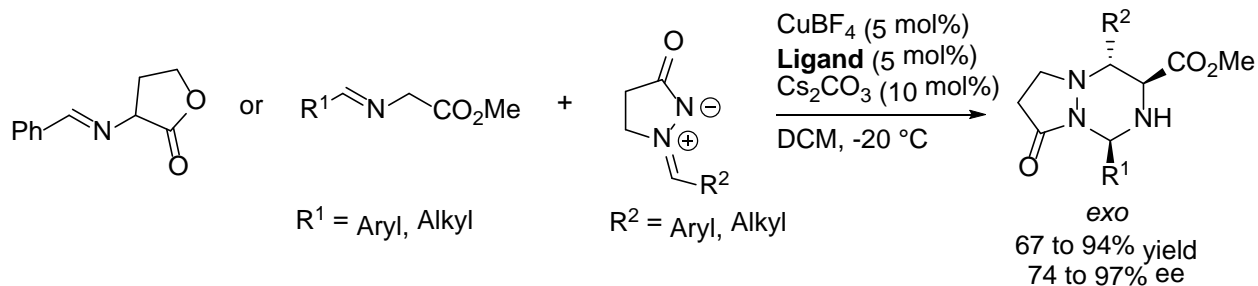
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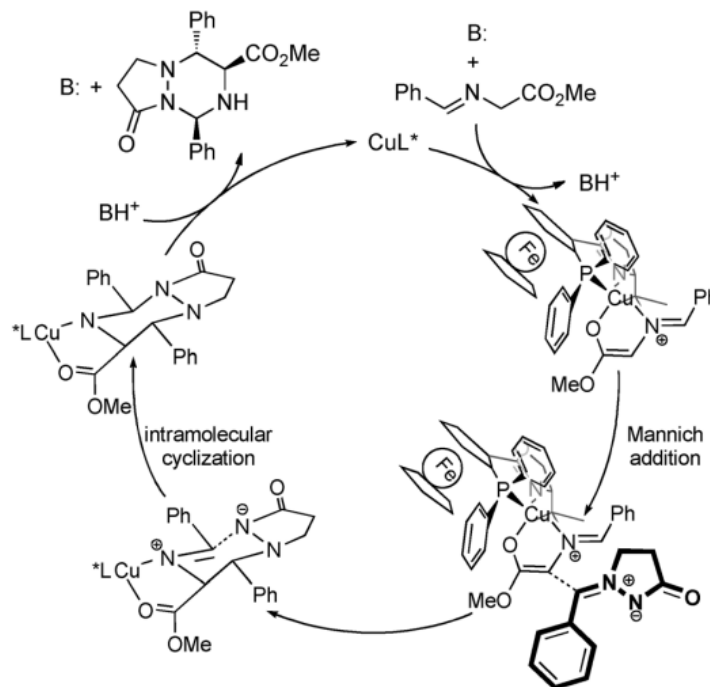
## Catalytic cycle



# Wang: [3+3] 1,3-DC

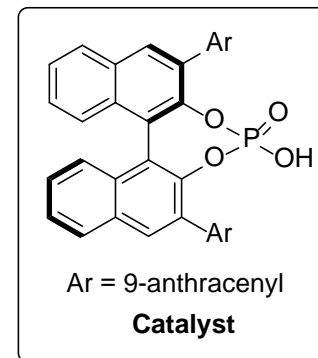
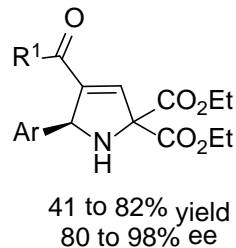
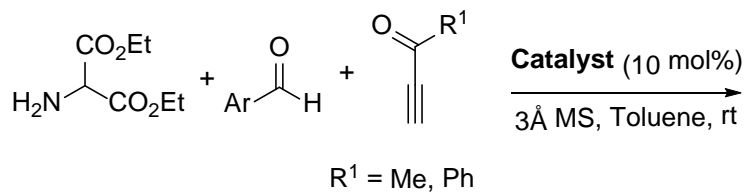


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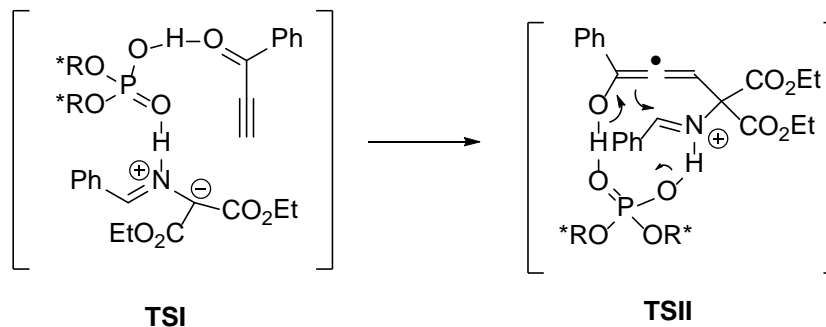




# Shi: chiral Brønsted acid catalyst

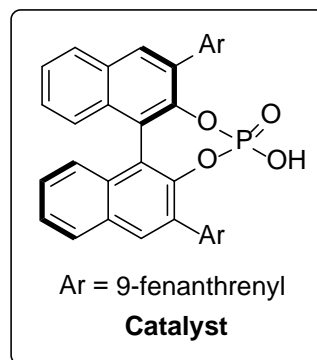
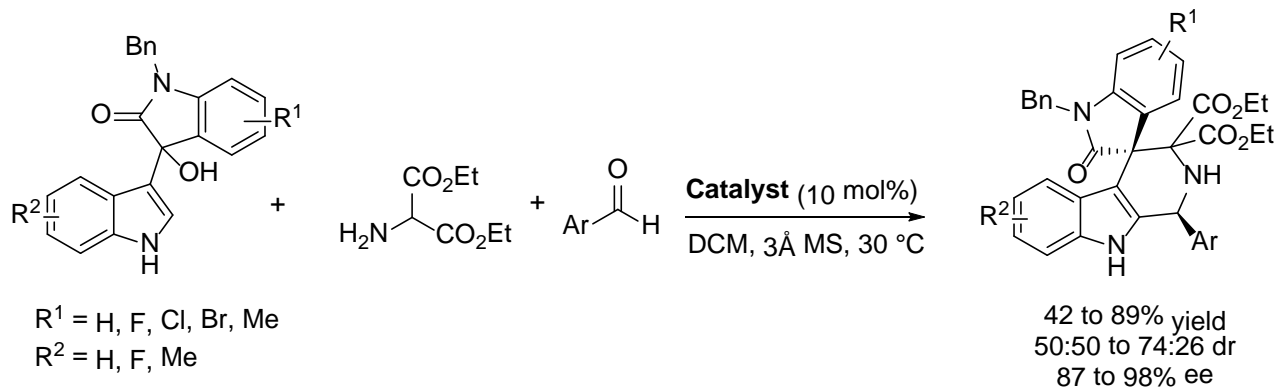


## Bifunctional catalyst



Stepwise mechanism

# Shi: [3+3] with 3-indolyl methanol

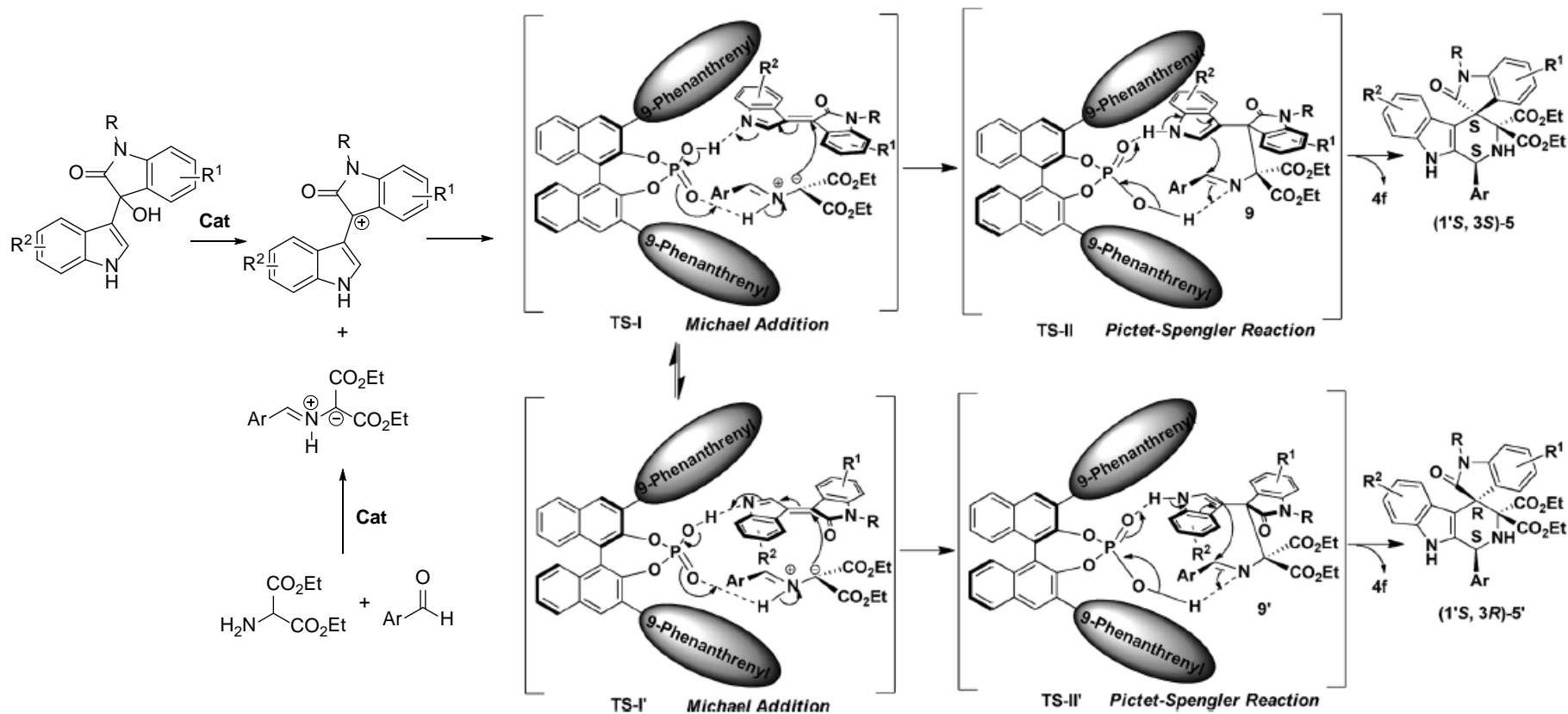


2 spiroquaternary stereocenters are formed.

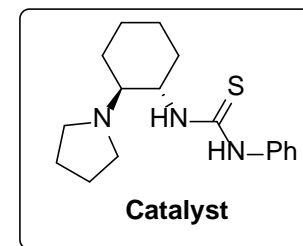
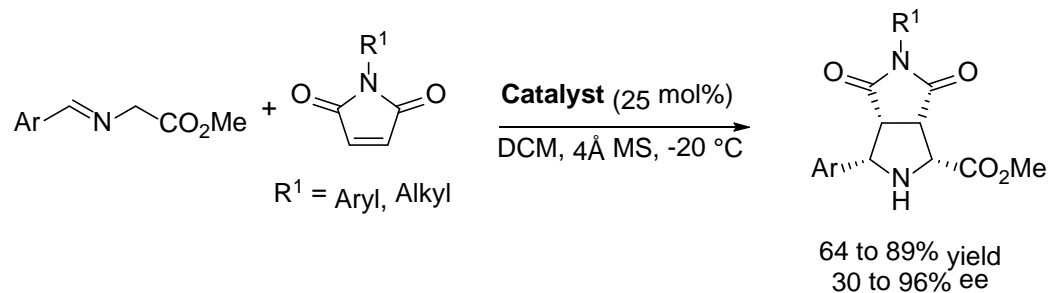


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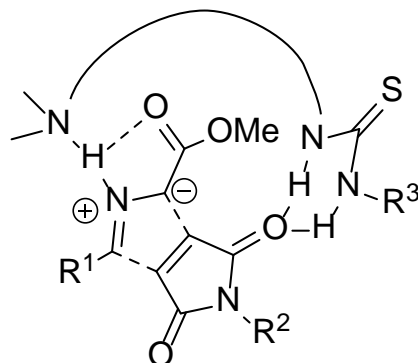


# Wang: chiral tertiary amine thiourea



## Bifunctional catalyst

Chiral scaffold



# Conclusion and outlook

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- **Catalytic enantioselective 1,3-DC of azomethine ylides are powerful, straightforward, atom economical method to synthesize enantioenriched and highly functionalized nitrogen containing heterocycles**
  - **More work on high order cycloadditions (new dipolarophiles, synthesis of 6-membered rings)**
  - **More work on organocatalytic procedures**
  - **More environmentally friendly methodologies**
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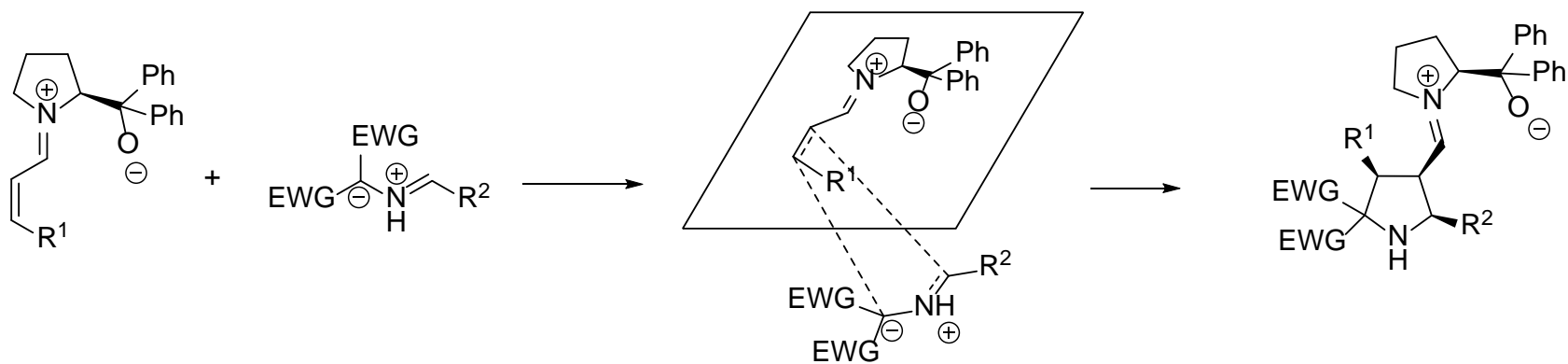
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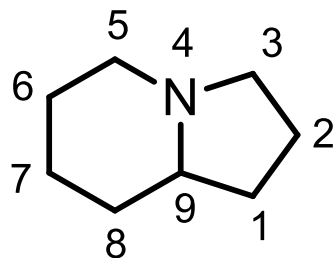
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# Answers

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# Synthesis of Indolizidine Alkaloids: Selected Examples



Frontiers in Chemical Synthesis I: *Heterocyclic Chemistry*  
(Prof. Jérôme Waser, Prof. Xile Hu)

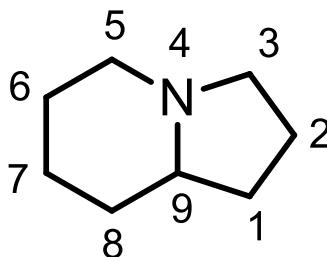
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2. Could you identify the mechanism underlying Denmark's Castanospermine synthesis?

- ❖ Introduction
- ❖ Selected Examples of Indolizidine Synthesis
  - Gephyrotoxin
  - Indolizidines 167B and 209D
  - Castanospermine
  - Lepadiformine
  - Allopumiliotoxins 339A and 267A
  - Rhazinilam
- ❖ Summary
- ❖ Questions

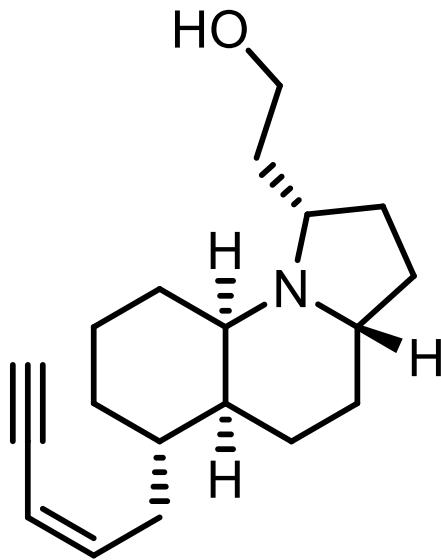


## INDOLIZIDINE ALKALOIDS

- **sources:** ants, frogs, trees, legumes
- **activities:** phytotoxic, insecticidal, antibacterial, antiviral, etc.
- some representatives could be extremely toxic
- the **core** limiting the family:



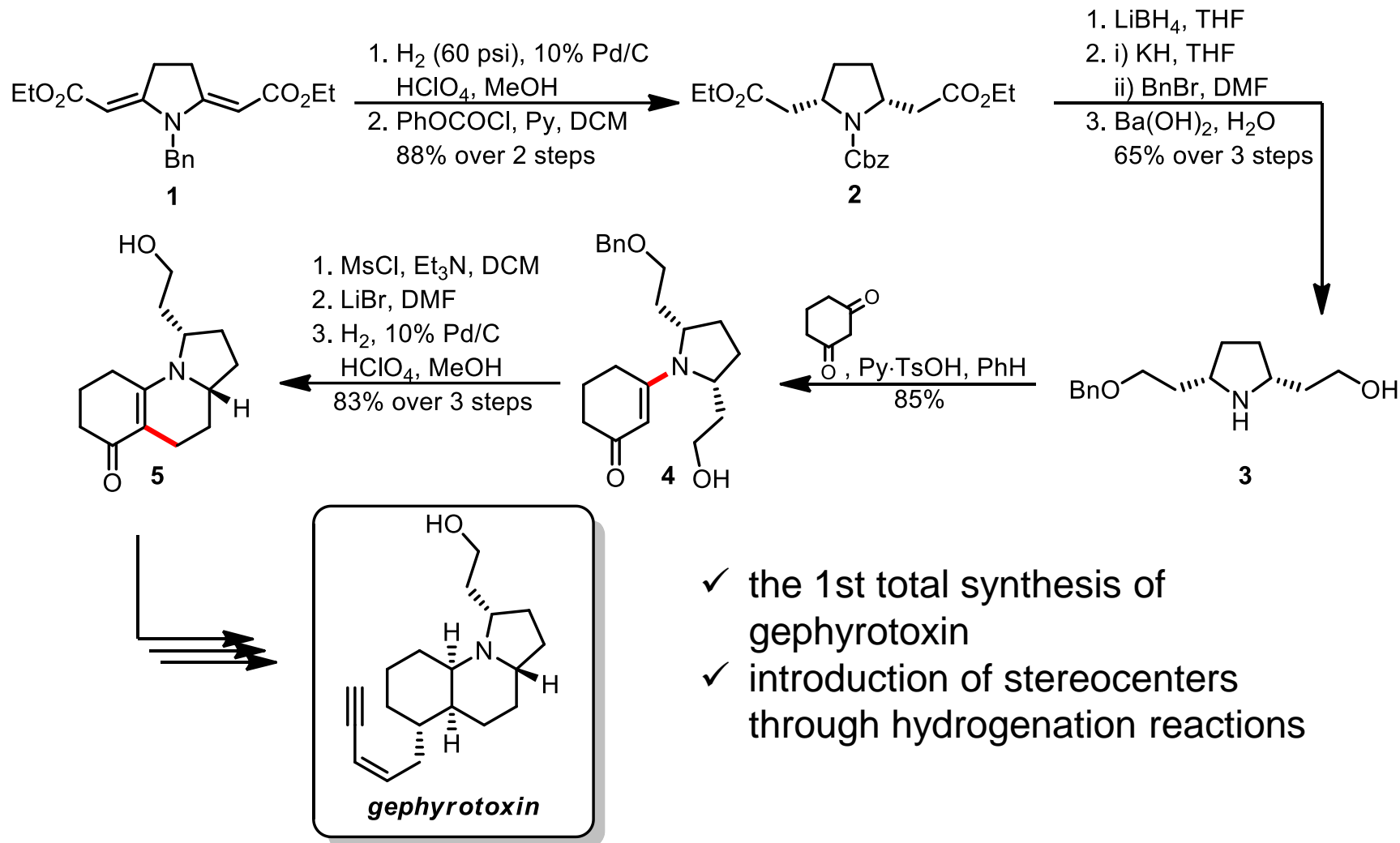
- challenging structures, many synthetic approaches were developed
- **main players:** Kibayashi, Overman, Denmark

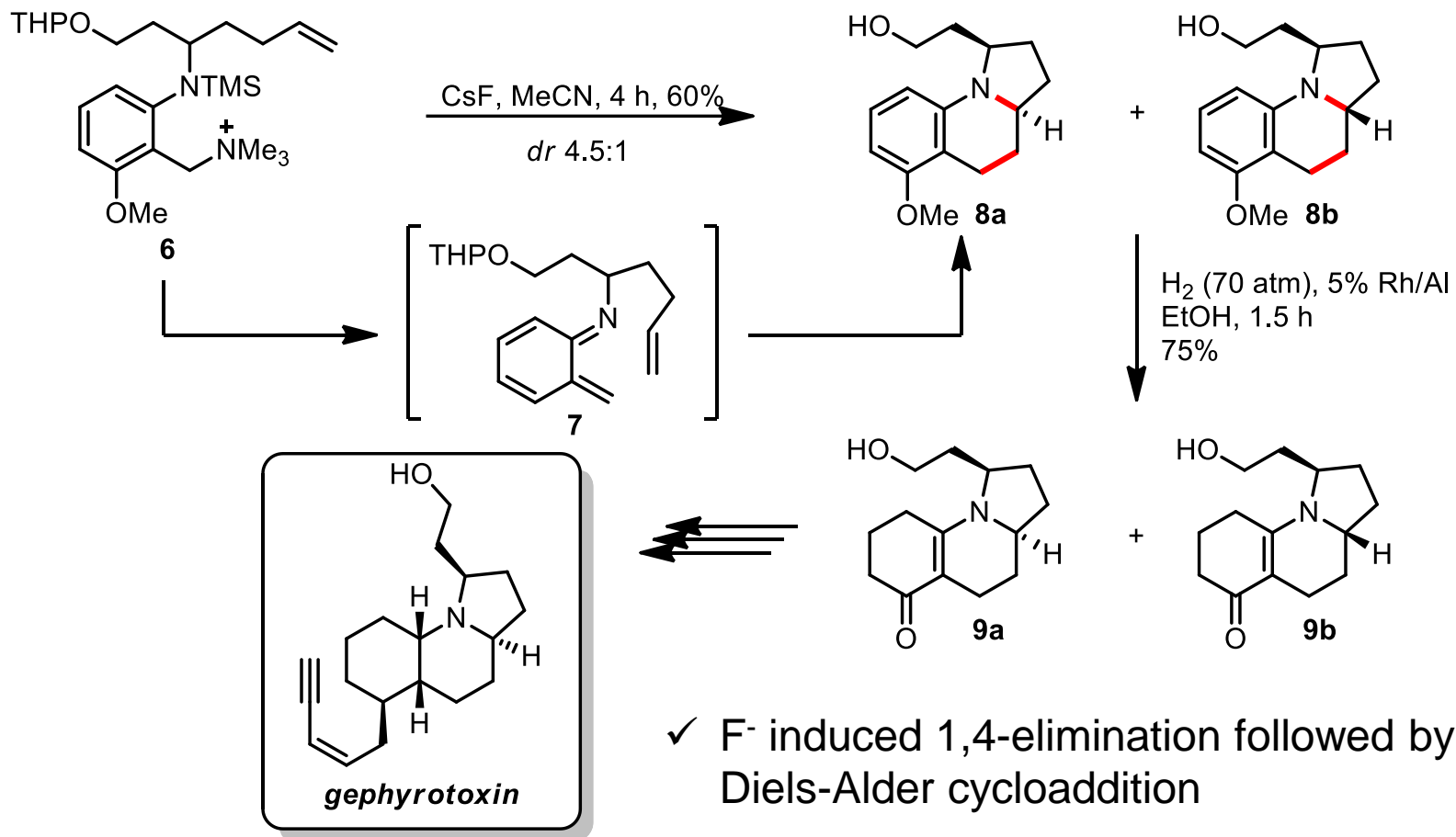


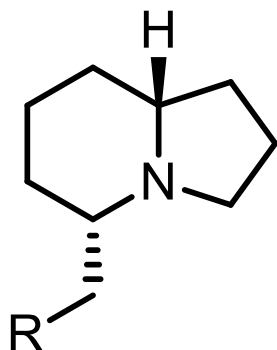
- isolated from the skin extracts of the *Dendrobates histrionicus*



- neurological activities
- contains 5 asymmetric centers
- extremely scarce

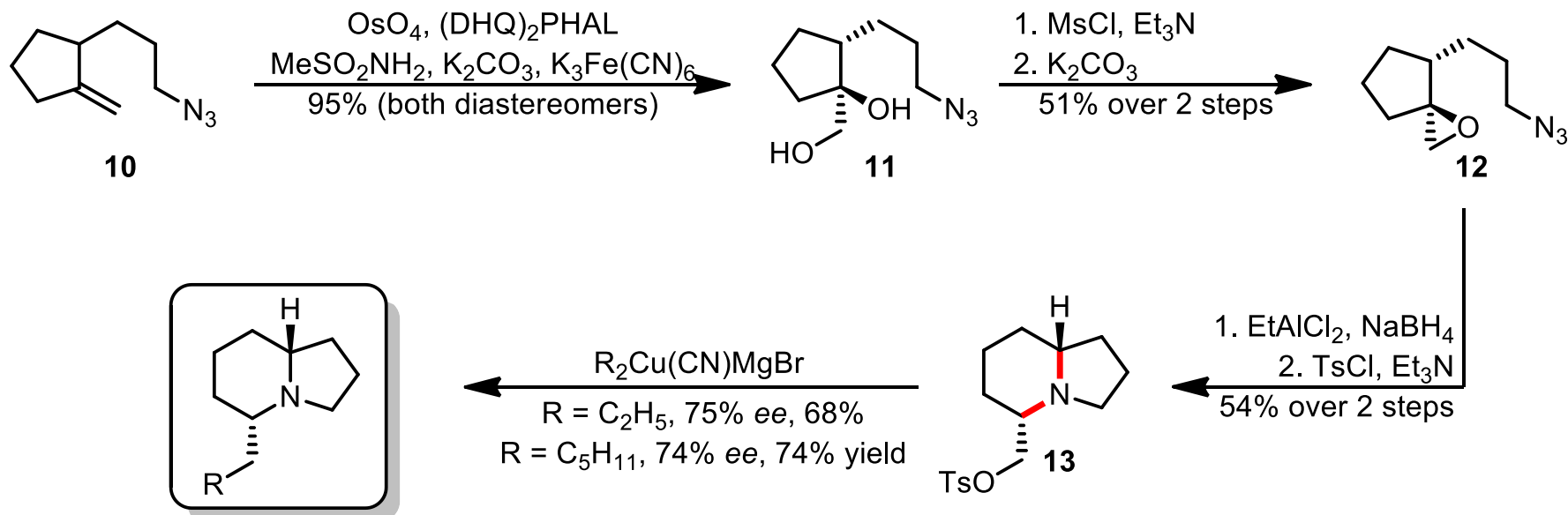






Alkyindolizidine alkaloids:

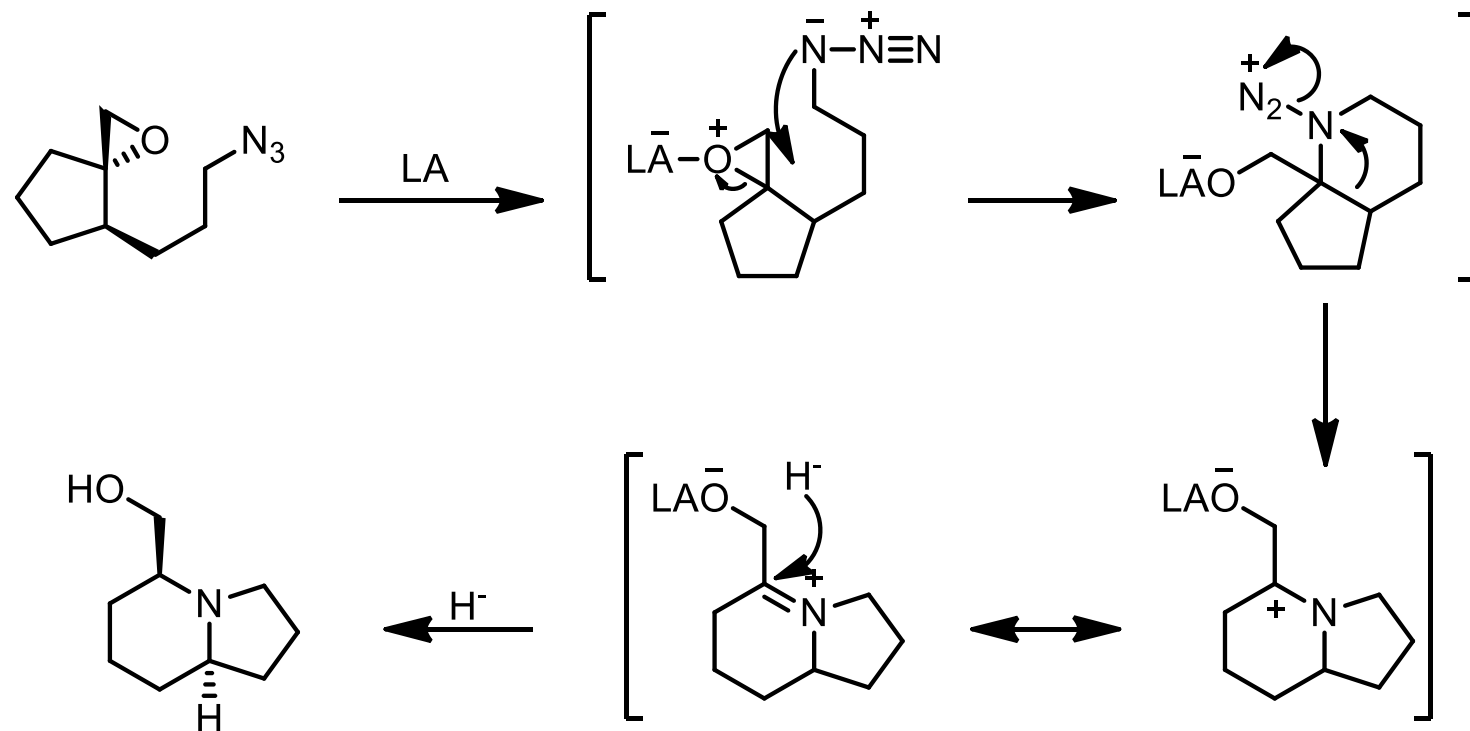
- noncompetitive blockers of neuromuscular transmission
- interaction with the ganglionic nicotinic acetylcholine receptor-ion channels
- stepwise annulations and consecutive amination reactions are the most commonly used strategies

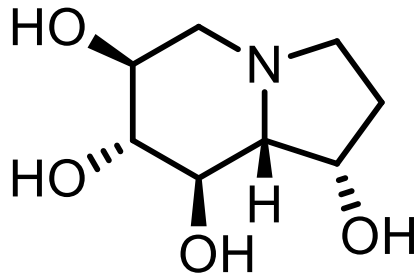


$\text{R} = \text{C}_2\text{H}_5 \rightarrow$  **indolizidine 167B**

$\text{R} = \text{C}_5\text{H}_{11} \rightarrow$  **indolizidine 209D**

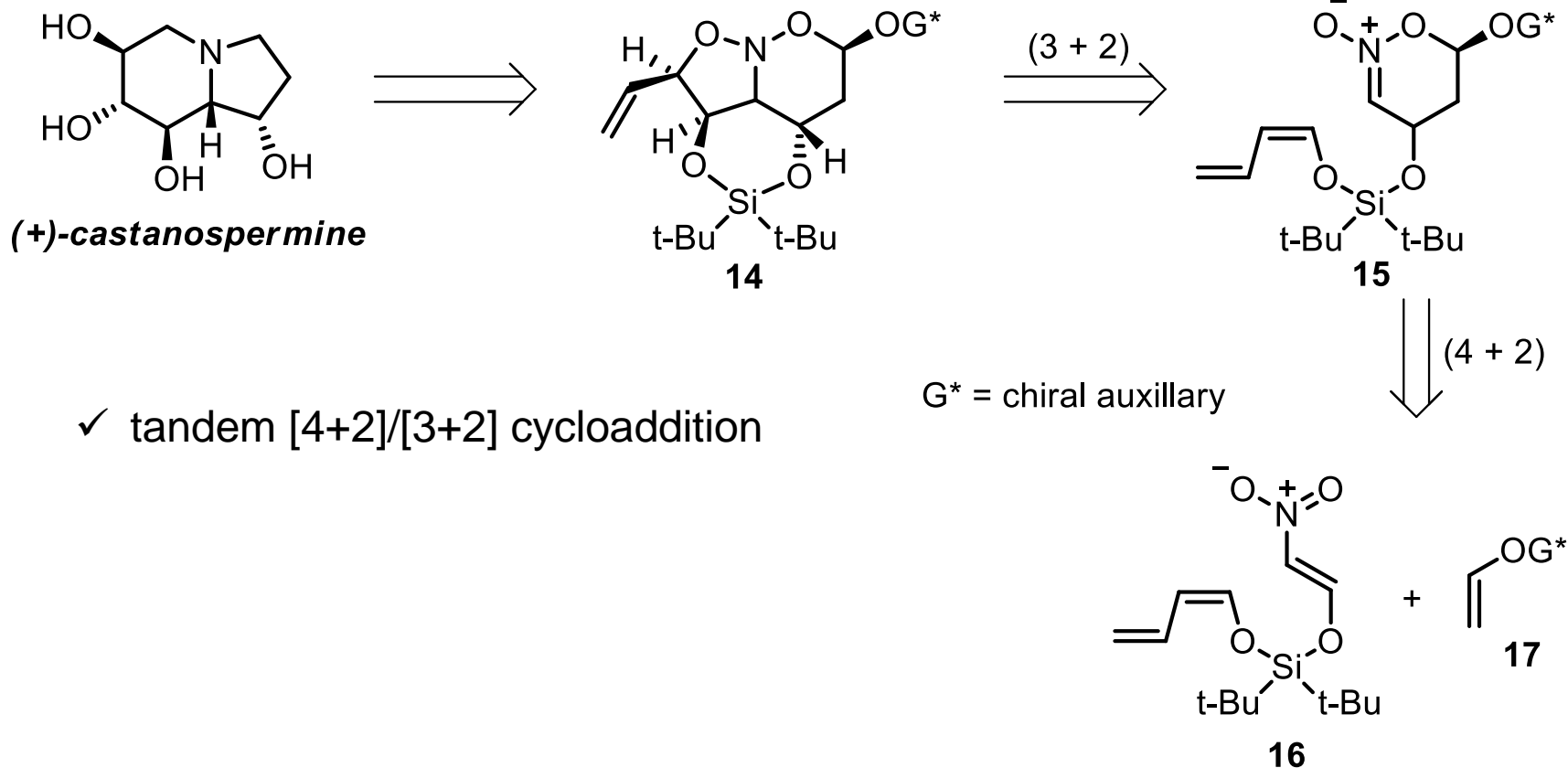
✓ epoxide-initiated cationic cyclization of azides

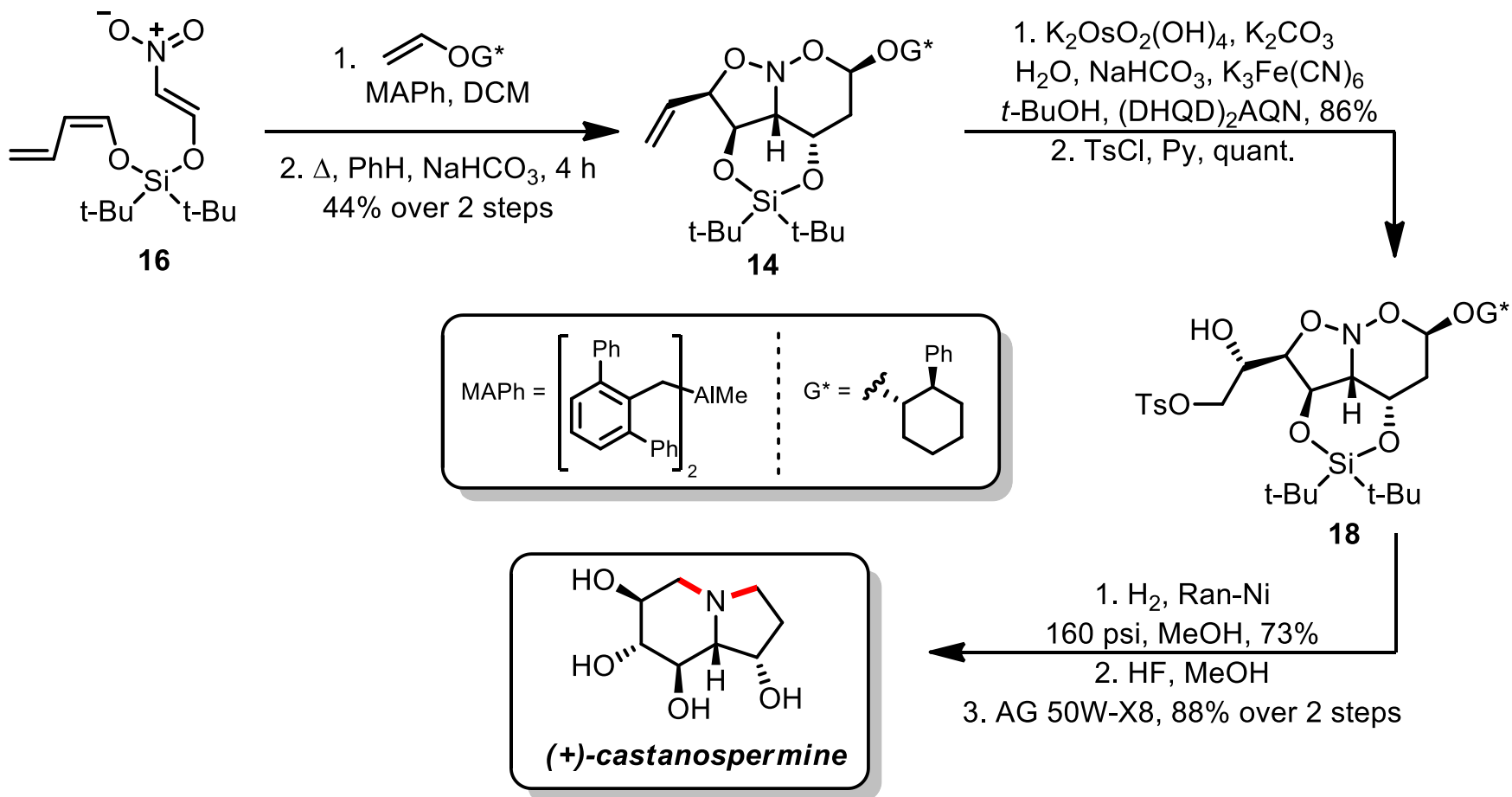


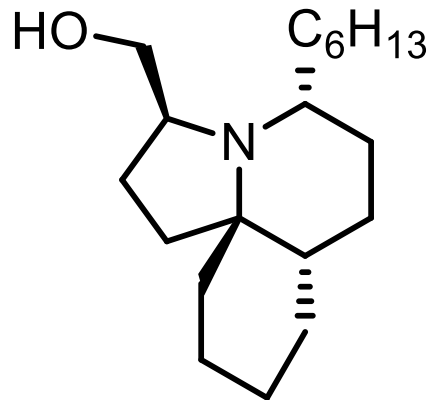


- the dominant alkaloidal component of the Australian legume *Castanospermum australe*
- potent inhibitor of a variety of glycosidases
- has shown antiviral activity
- most of the reported syntheses use the intrinsic chirality of carbohydrate precursors

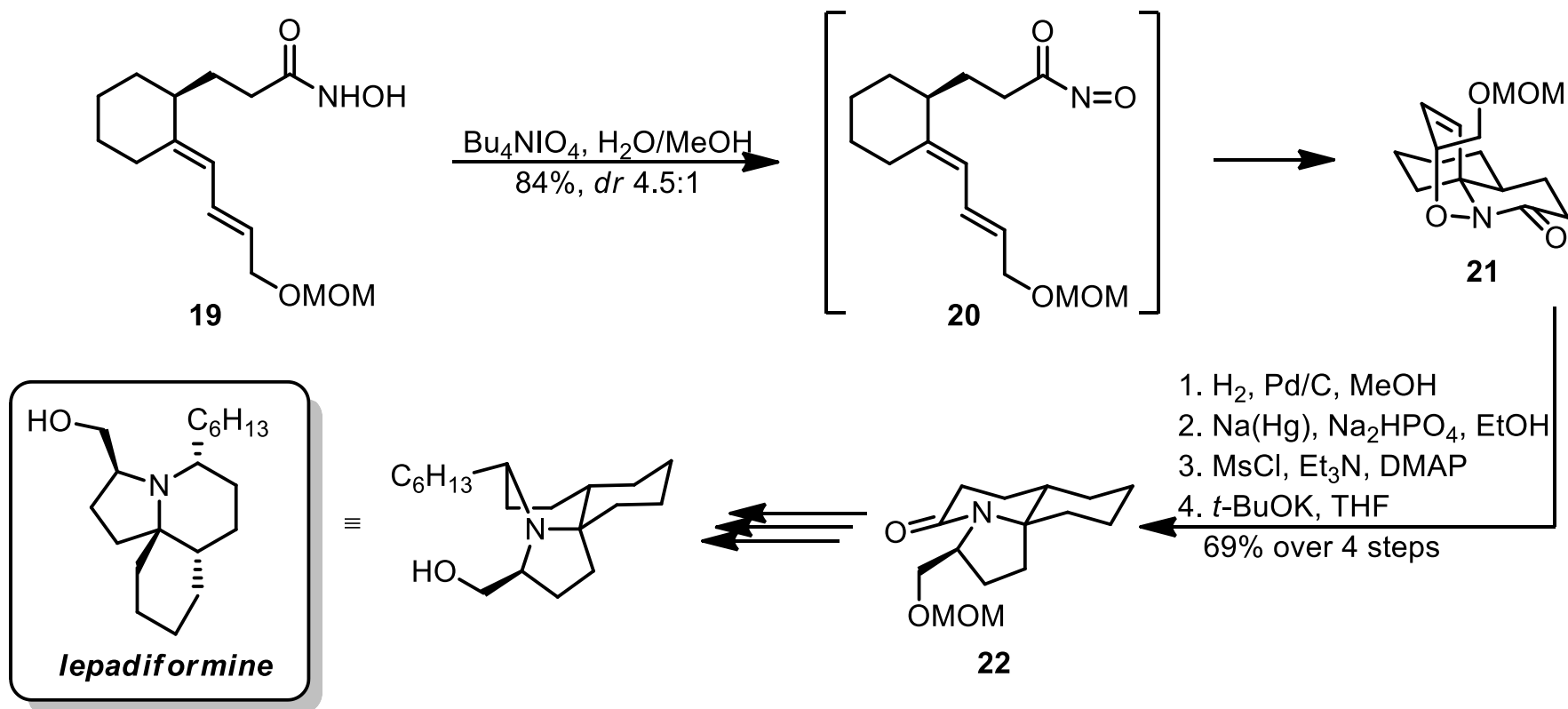




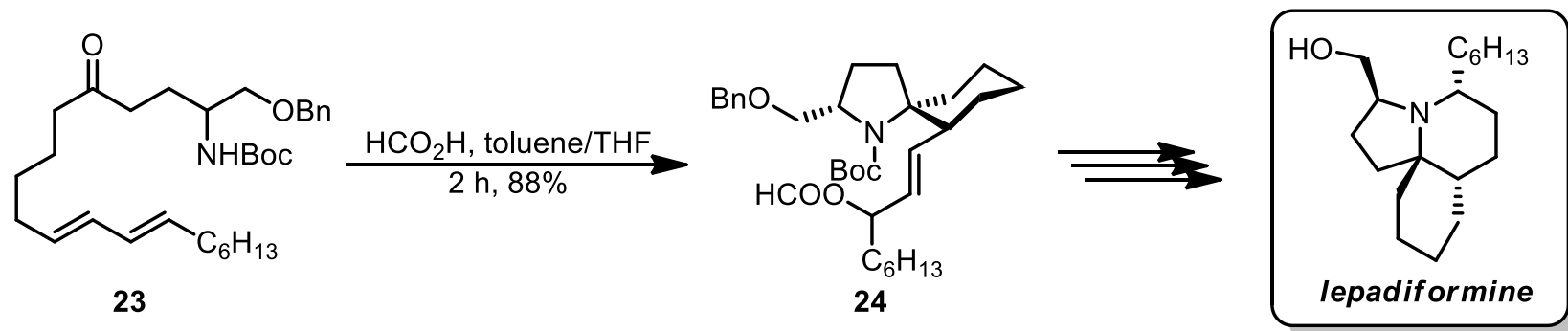




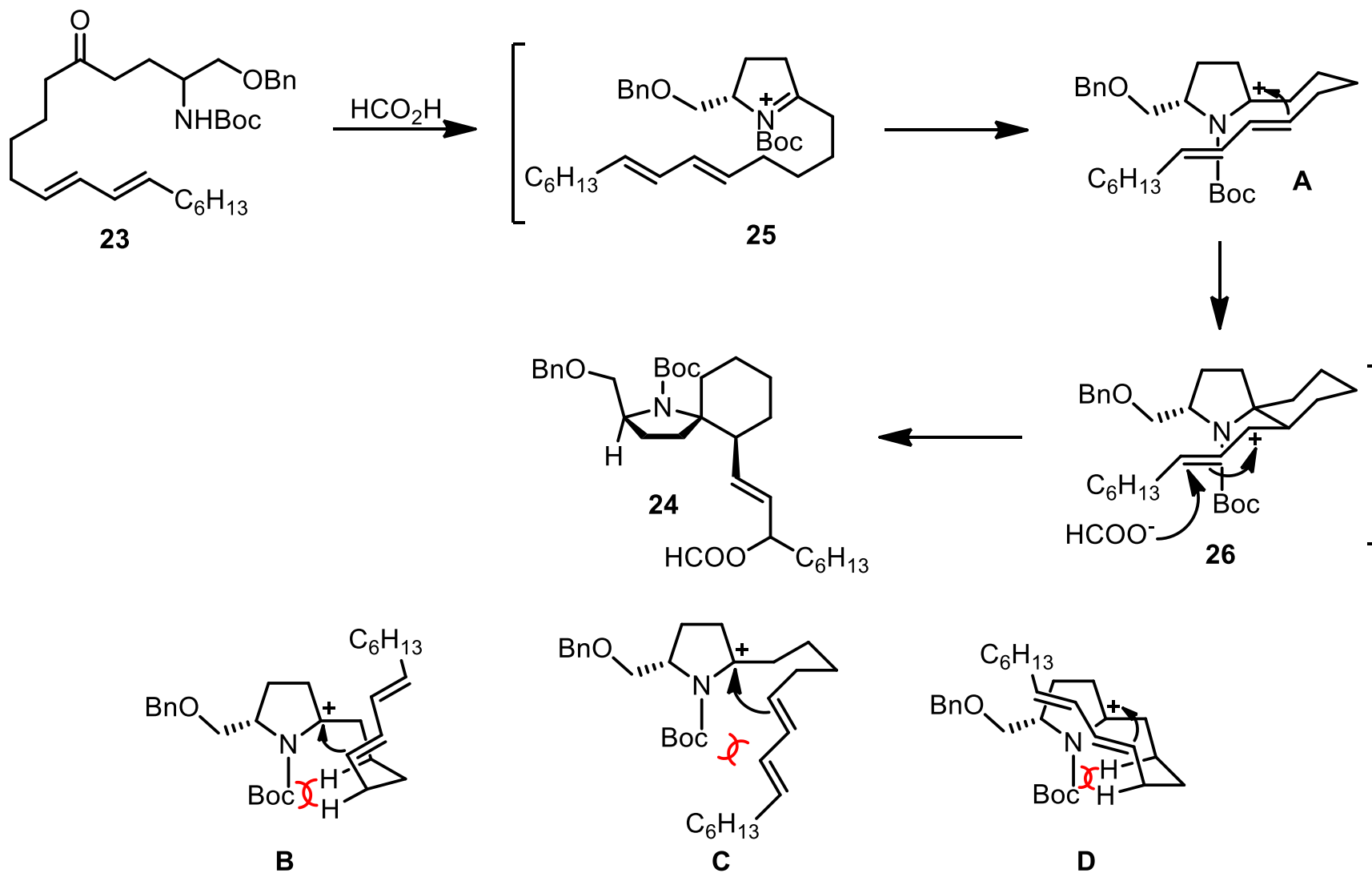
- isolated from Tasmanian ascidians
- bears a tricyclic ring system
- moderately cytotoxic toward various tumor cell lines
- very active in the cardiovascular system; has antiarrhythmic properties

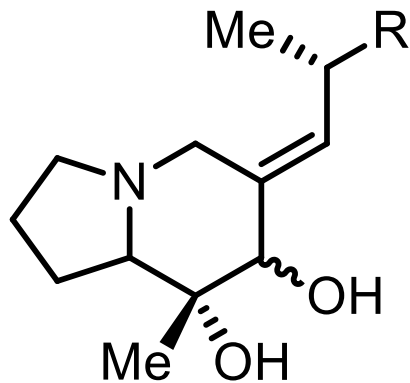


✓ hetero-Diels-Alder reaction of *N*-acylnitroso compounds

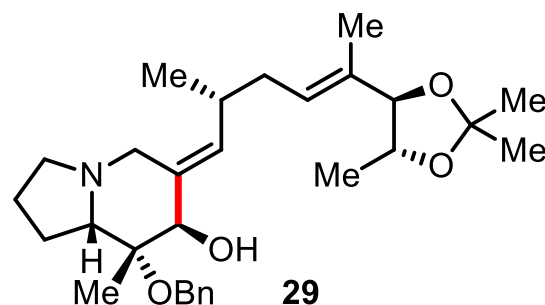
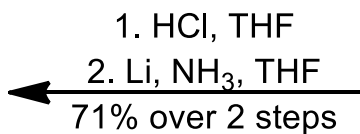
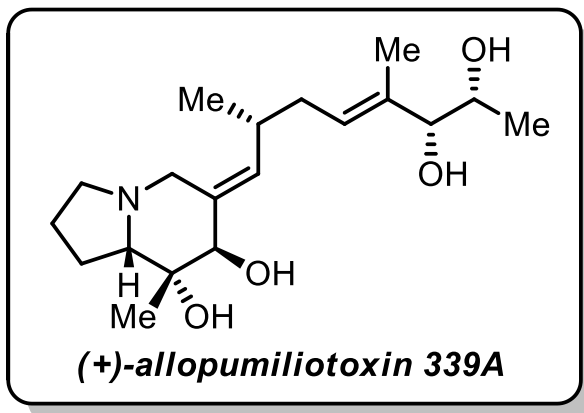
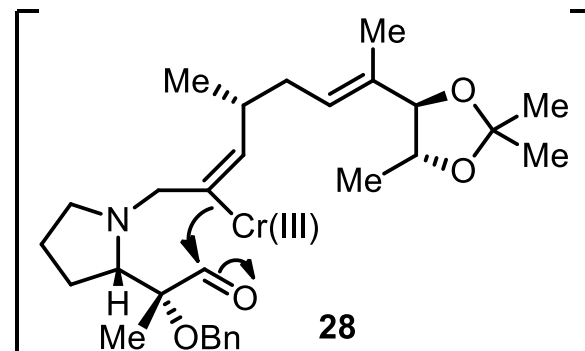
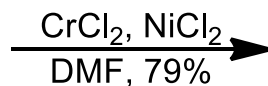
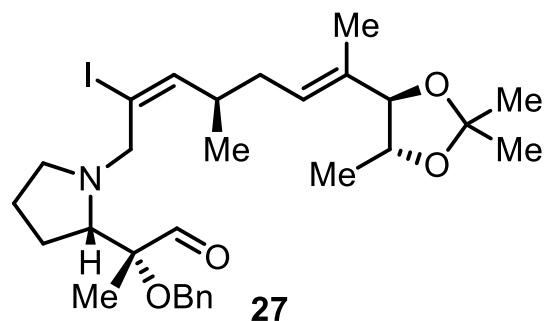


✓ *N*-acylaminium-ion-initiated olefin azacyclization

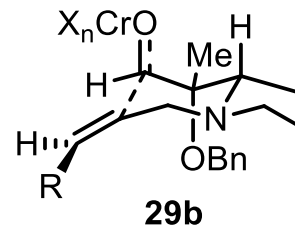
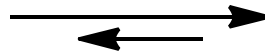
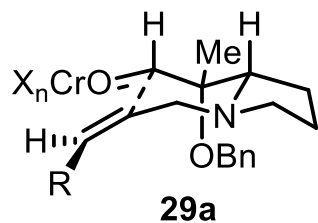




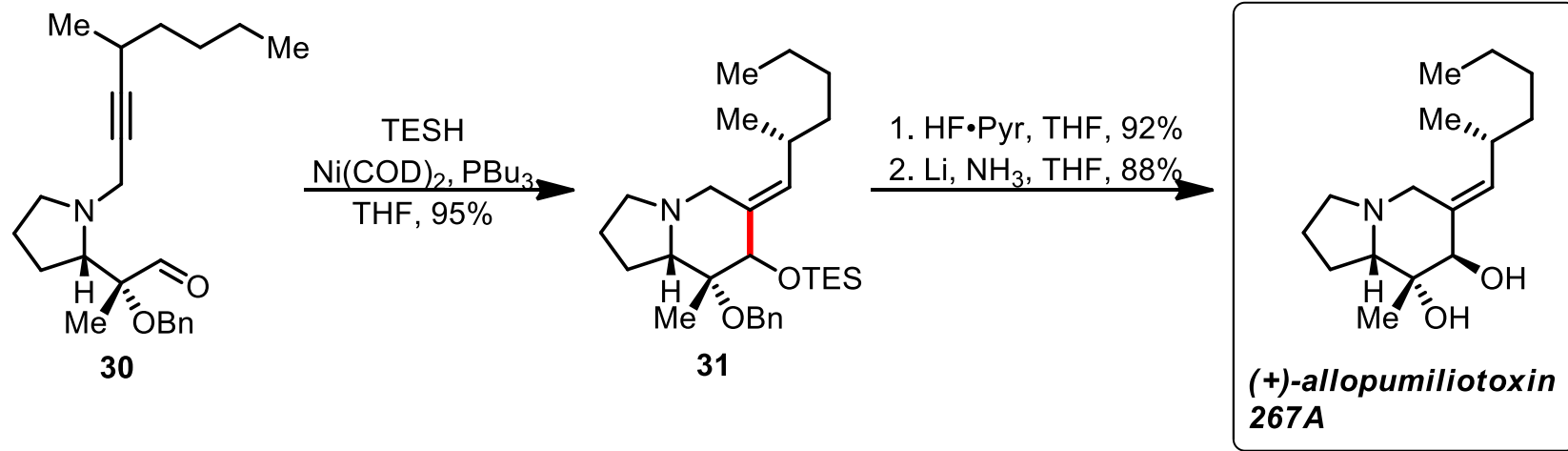
- one of the most structurally complex indolizidines produced in nature
- stimulate sodium influx
- cause muscle rigidity
- very toxic



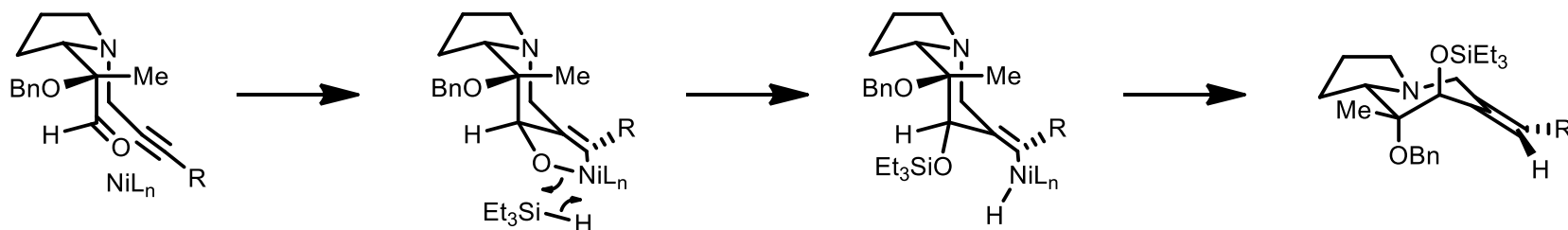
✓ intramolecular NHC-coupling

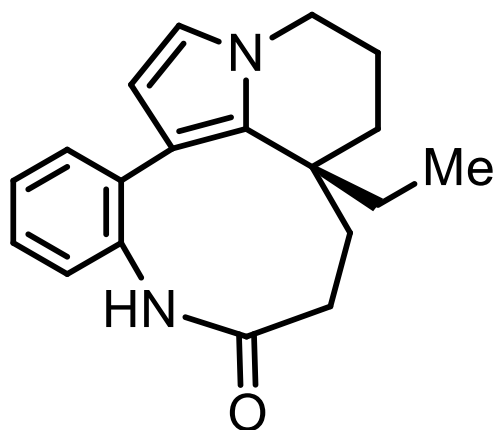




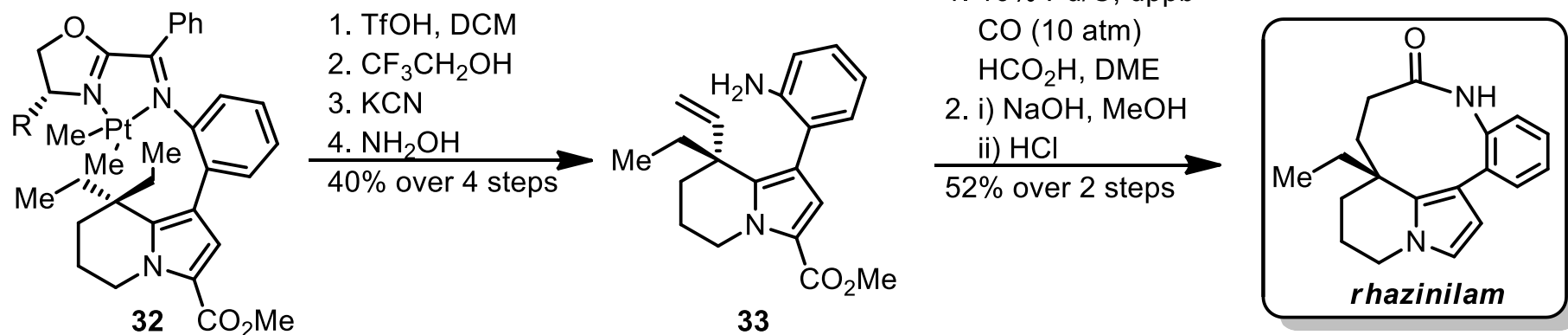


✓ Ni-catalyzed ynol reductive cyclization

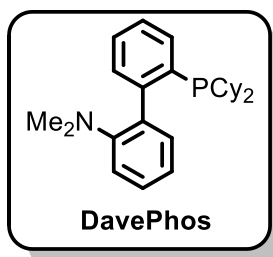
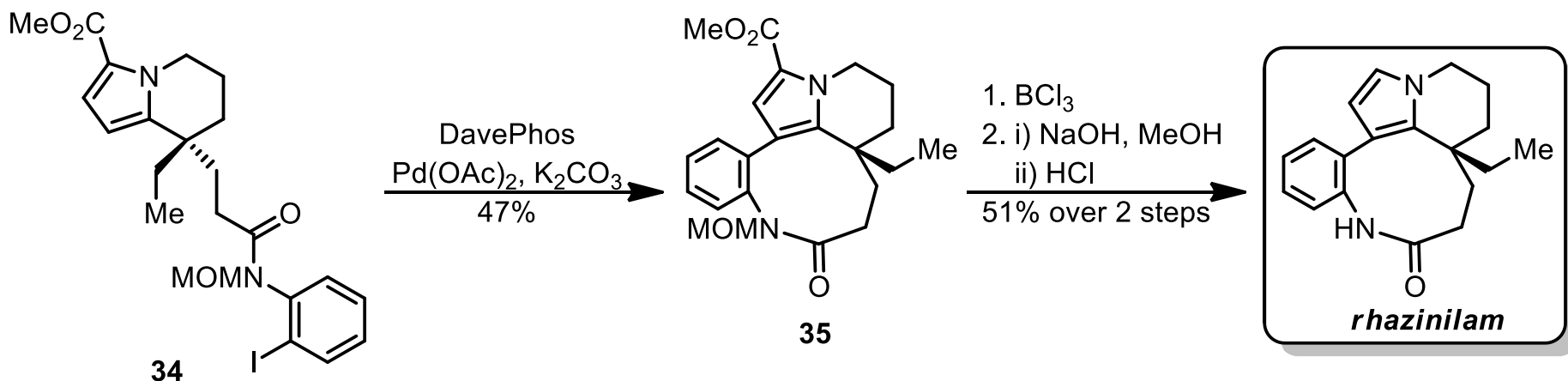




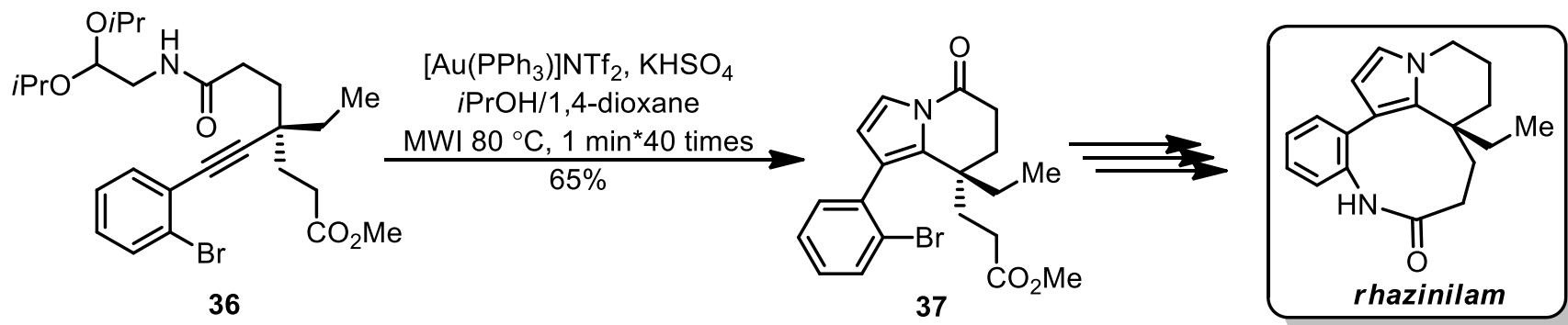
- interferes with tubulin polymerization dynamics
- potential anticancer agent
- possesses a strained nine-membered lactam ring, a biaryl moiety and a quaternary stereocenter



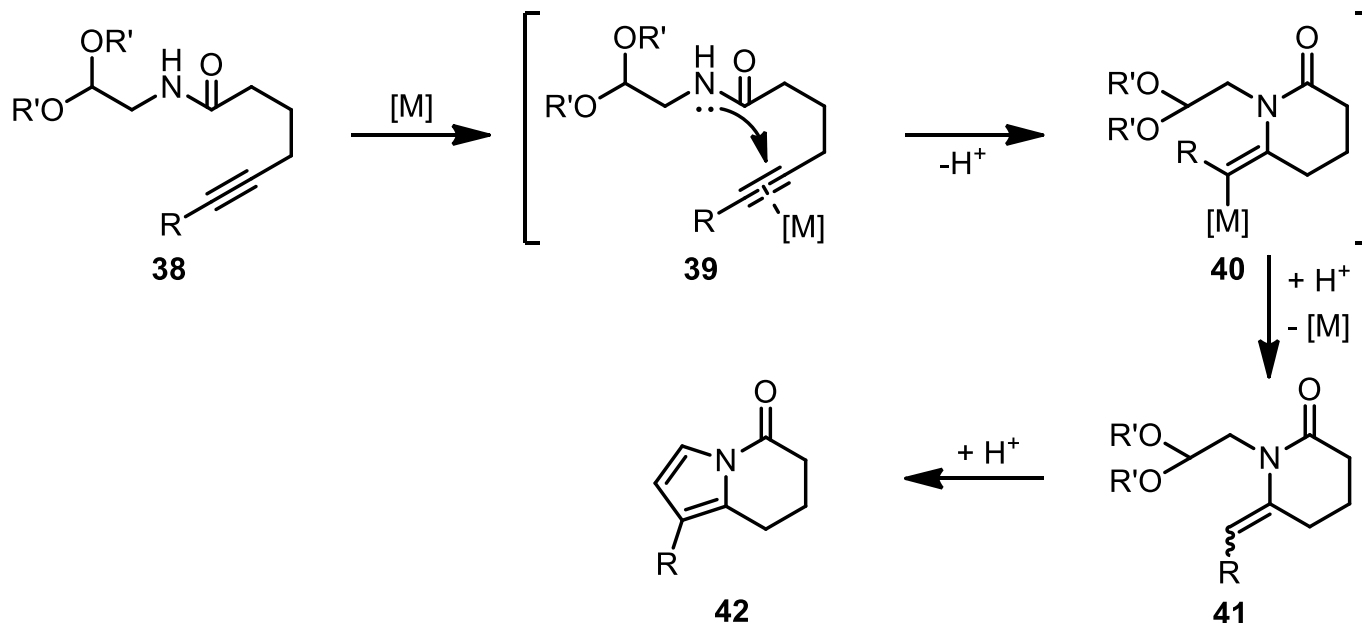
- ✓ Pt-mediated C-H bond functionalization
- ✓ macrolactam formation via direct carbonylation

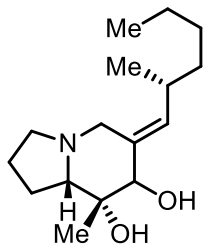
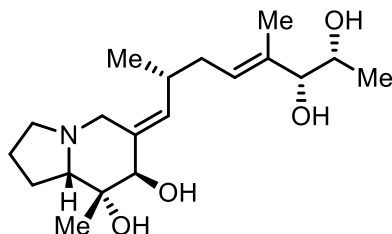
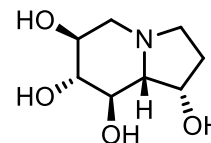
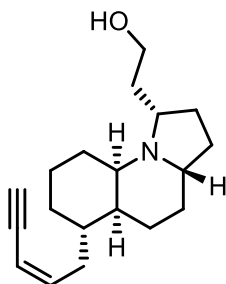
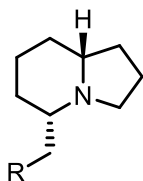
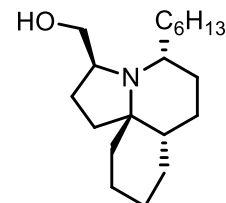
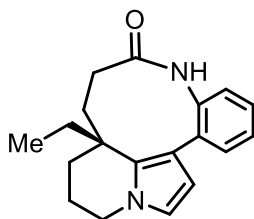


- ✓ Pd-catalyzed biaryl coupling
- ✓ exceptionally concise synthesis



- ✓ Au-catalyzed cascade cyclization
- ✓ protecting-group-free total synthesis



**INDOLIZIDINE ALKALOIDS*****(+)-allopumiliotoxin 267A******(+)-allopumiliotoxin 339A******(+)-castanospermine******gephyrotoxin***R = C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub> → ***indolizidine 167B***R = C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub> → ***indolizidine 209D******lepadiformine******rhazinilam*****FURTHER READING:**J. P. Michael, *Nat. Prod. Rep.* **2008**, 25, 139-165

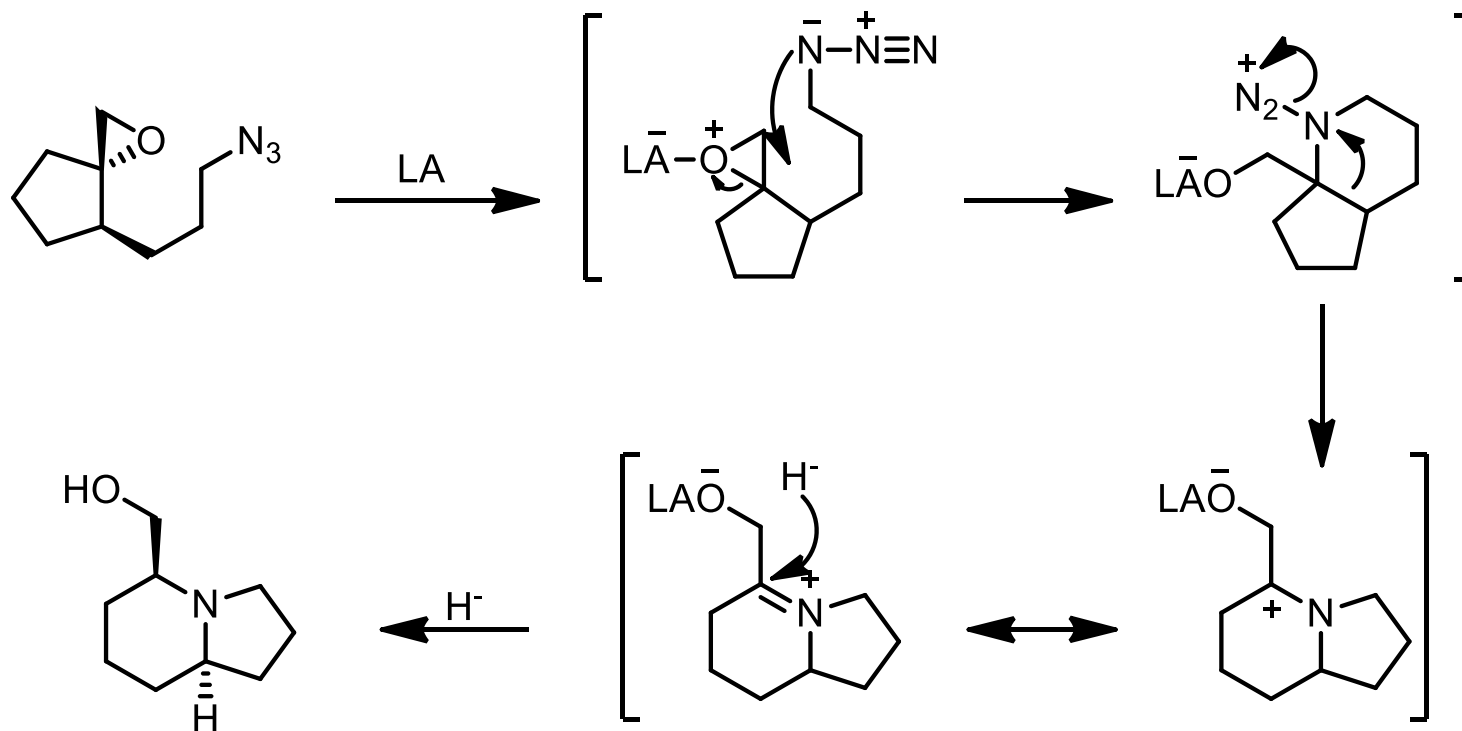


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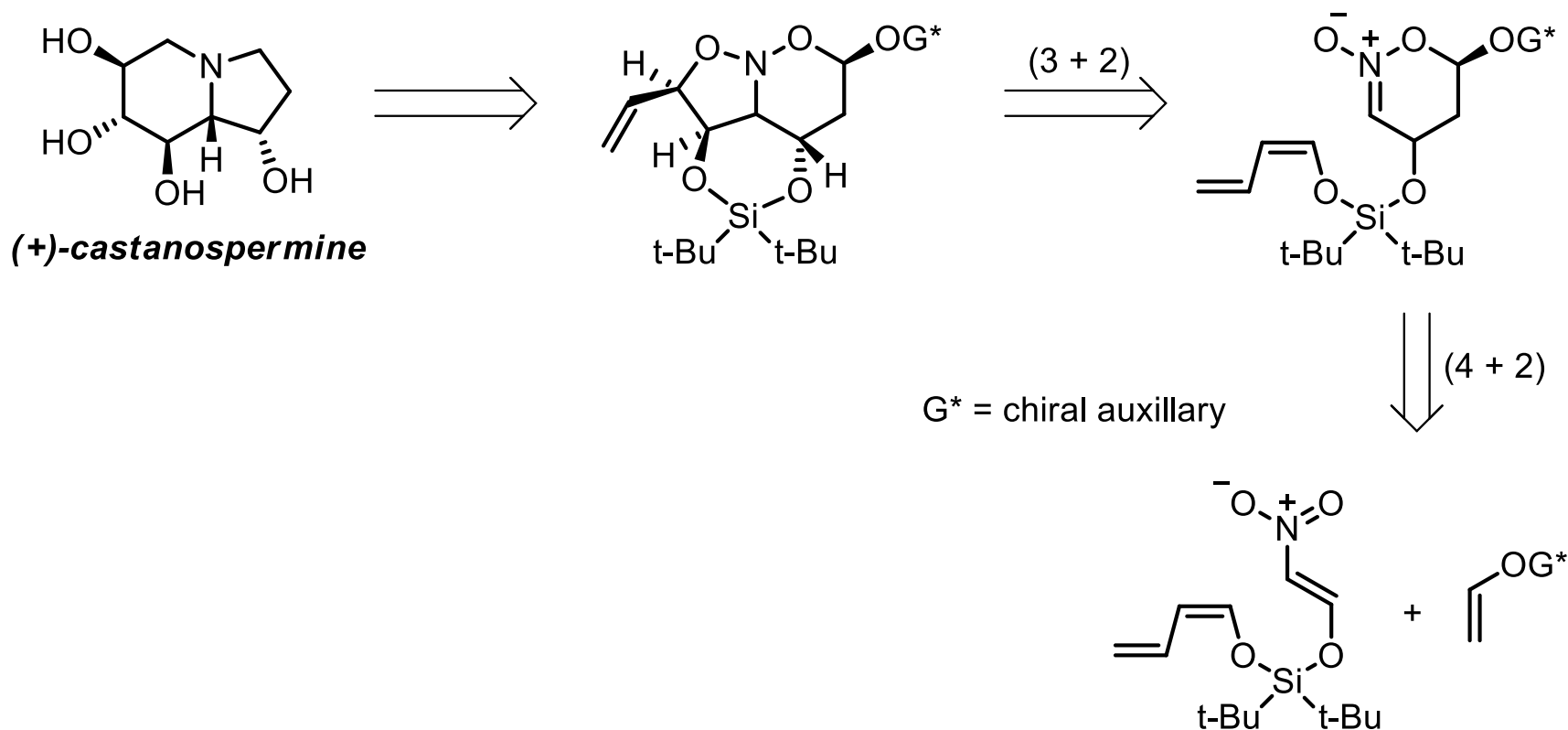
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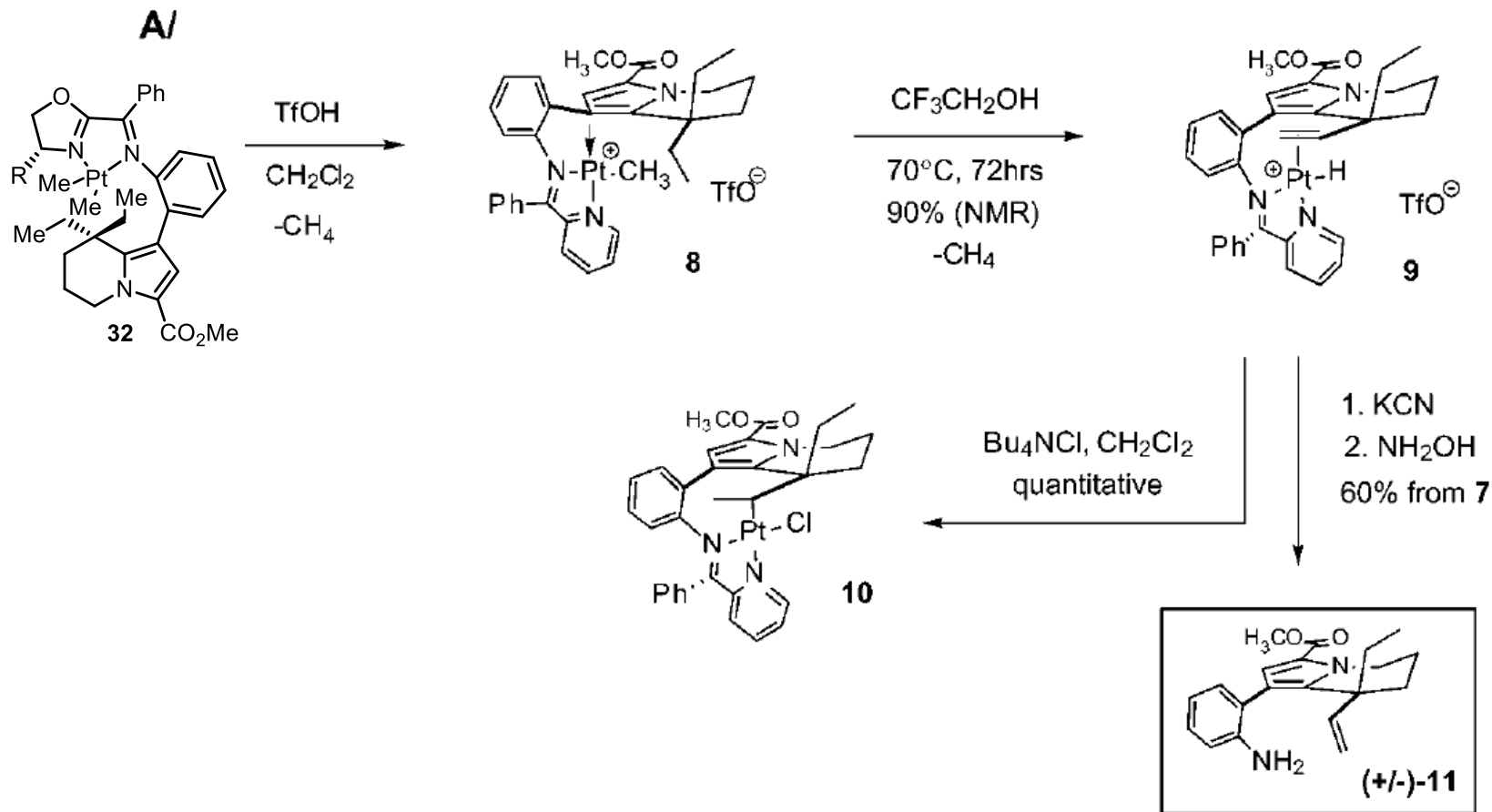
✓ epoxide-initiated cationic cyclization of azides



2. Could you identify the mechanism underlying Denmark's synthesis of Castanospermine?

✓ tandem [4+2]/[3+2] cycloaddition







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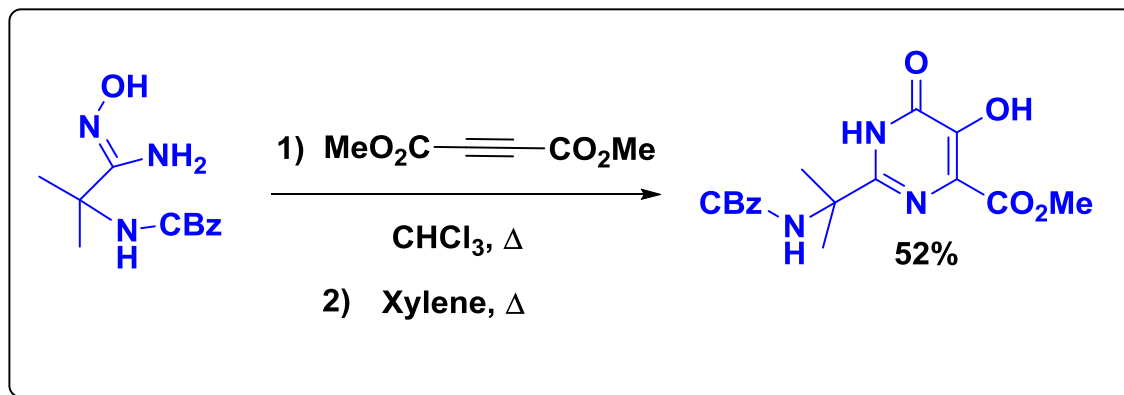
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**Literature Talk**  
**Grigory Karateev**  
**May 2015**

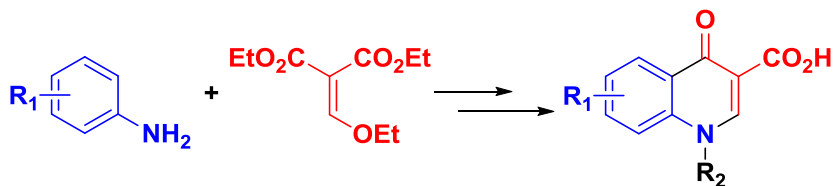
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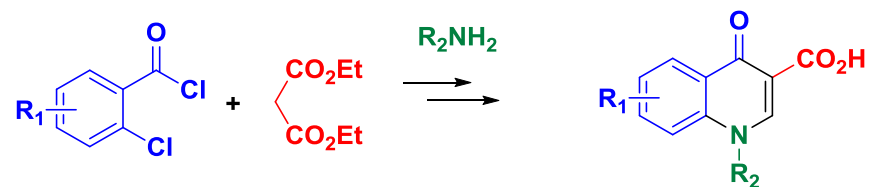


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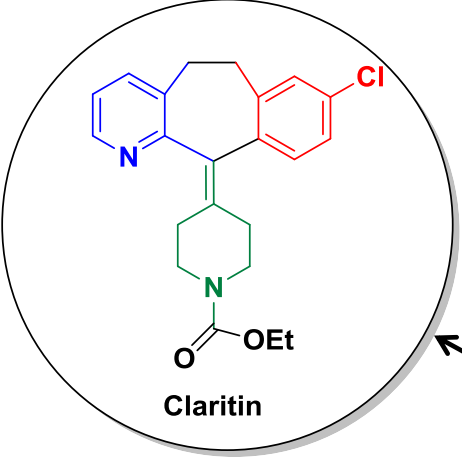
Gould-Jacobs synthesis



Grohe-Heitzer synthesis

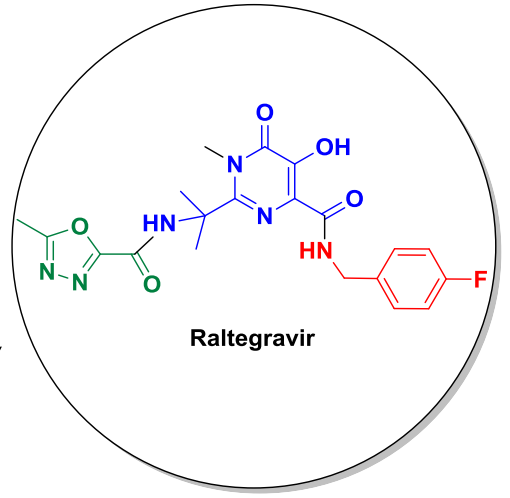
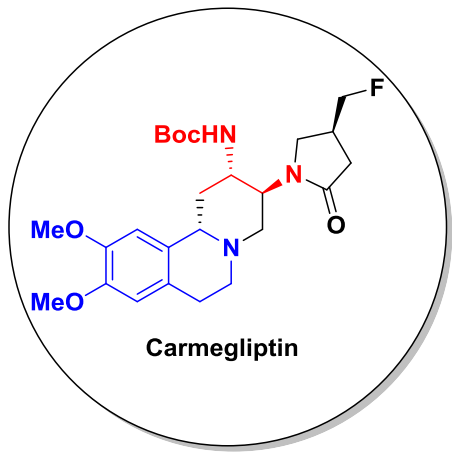


Drugs with 6-member ring heterocycles

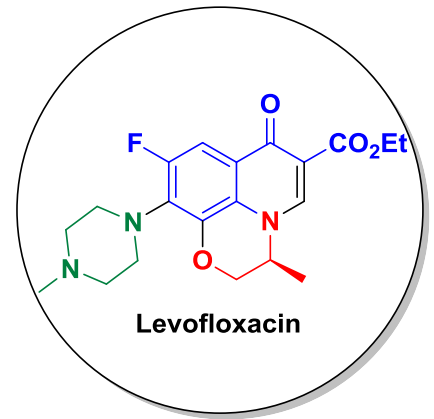


Pyridine/piperidine

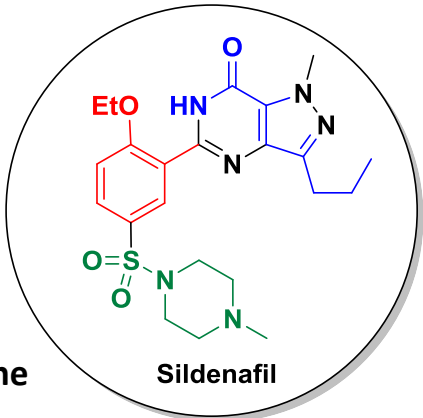
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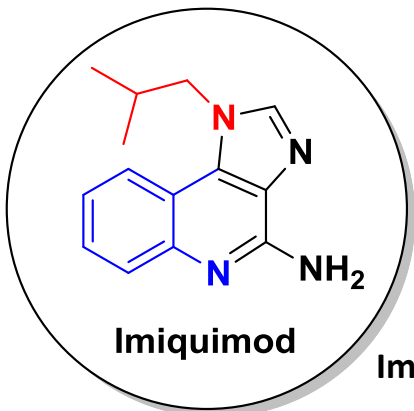
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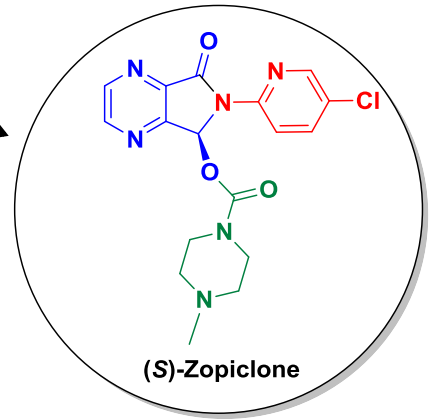
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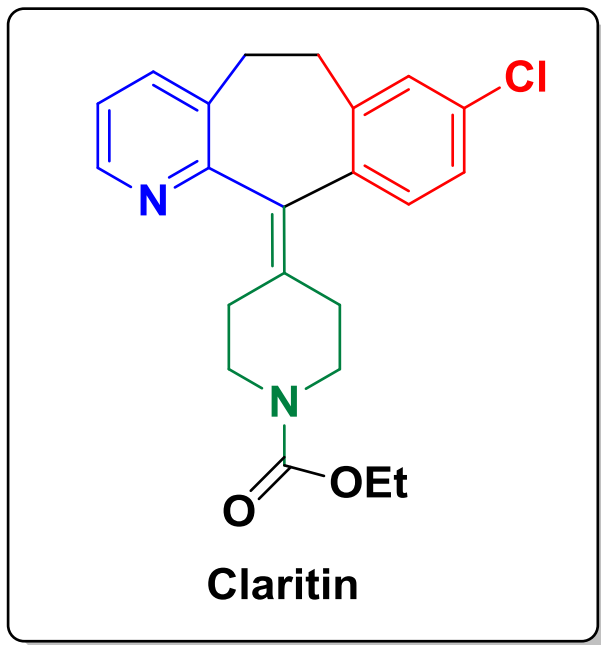


Pyrazine/piperazine

# Pyridine and piperidine containing drugs.

## Claritin.

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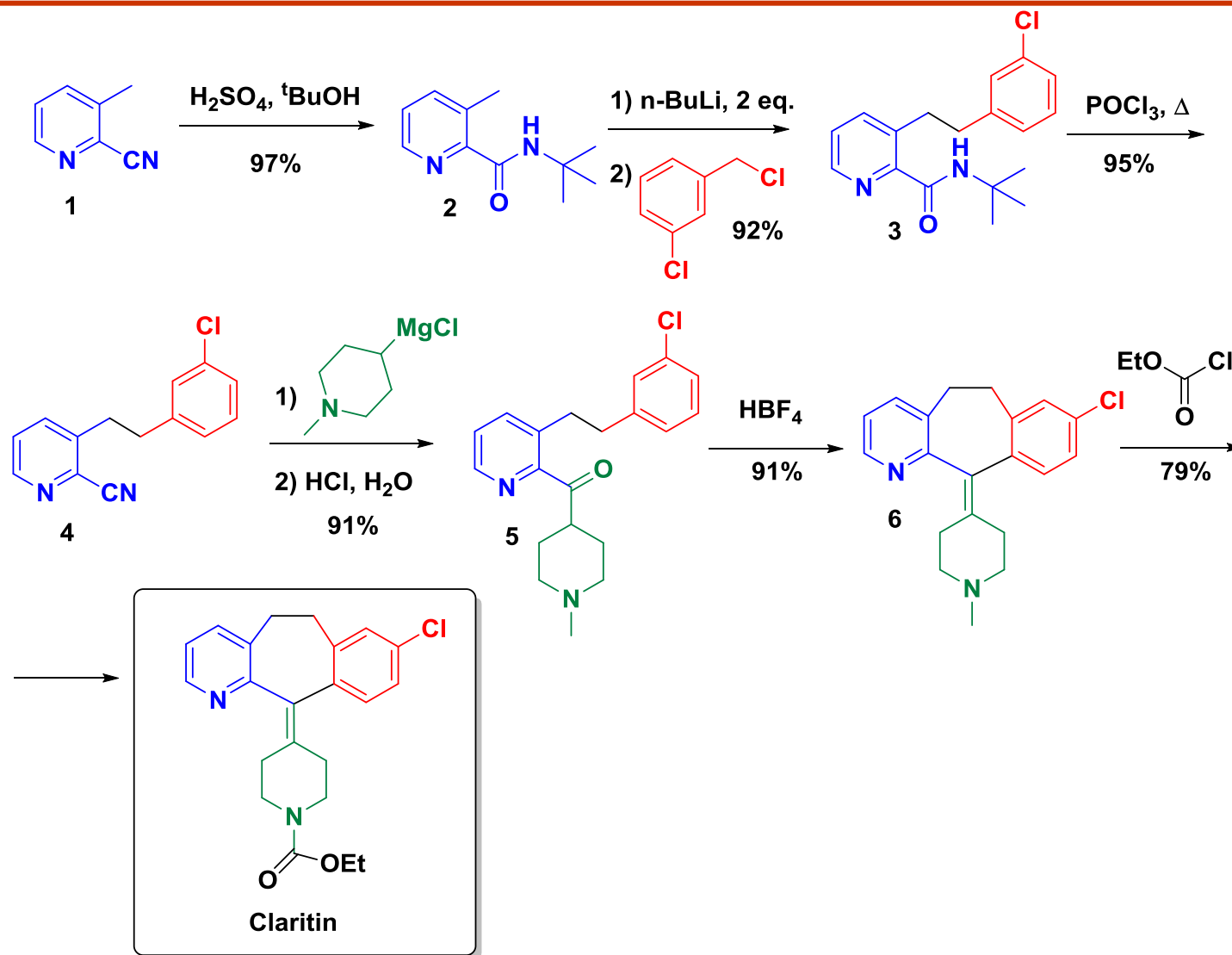
- An antiallergic drug
- A second generation inhibitor of H1-histamine receptors
- Developed by Schering-Plough (now part of Merck & Co)
- FDA approved in 1993

**Worldwide sales \$ 250.000.000 (2013)**

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# Pyridine and piperidine containing drugs.

## Claritin.

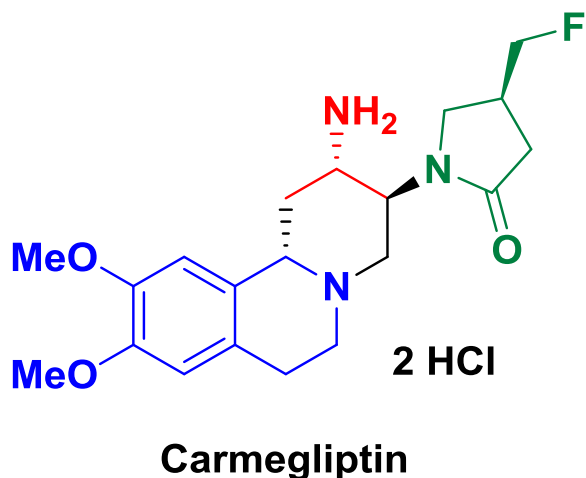




# Piperidine containing drugs.

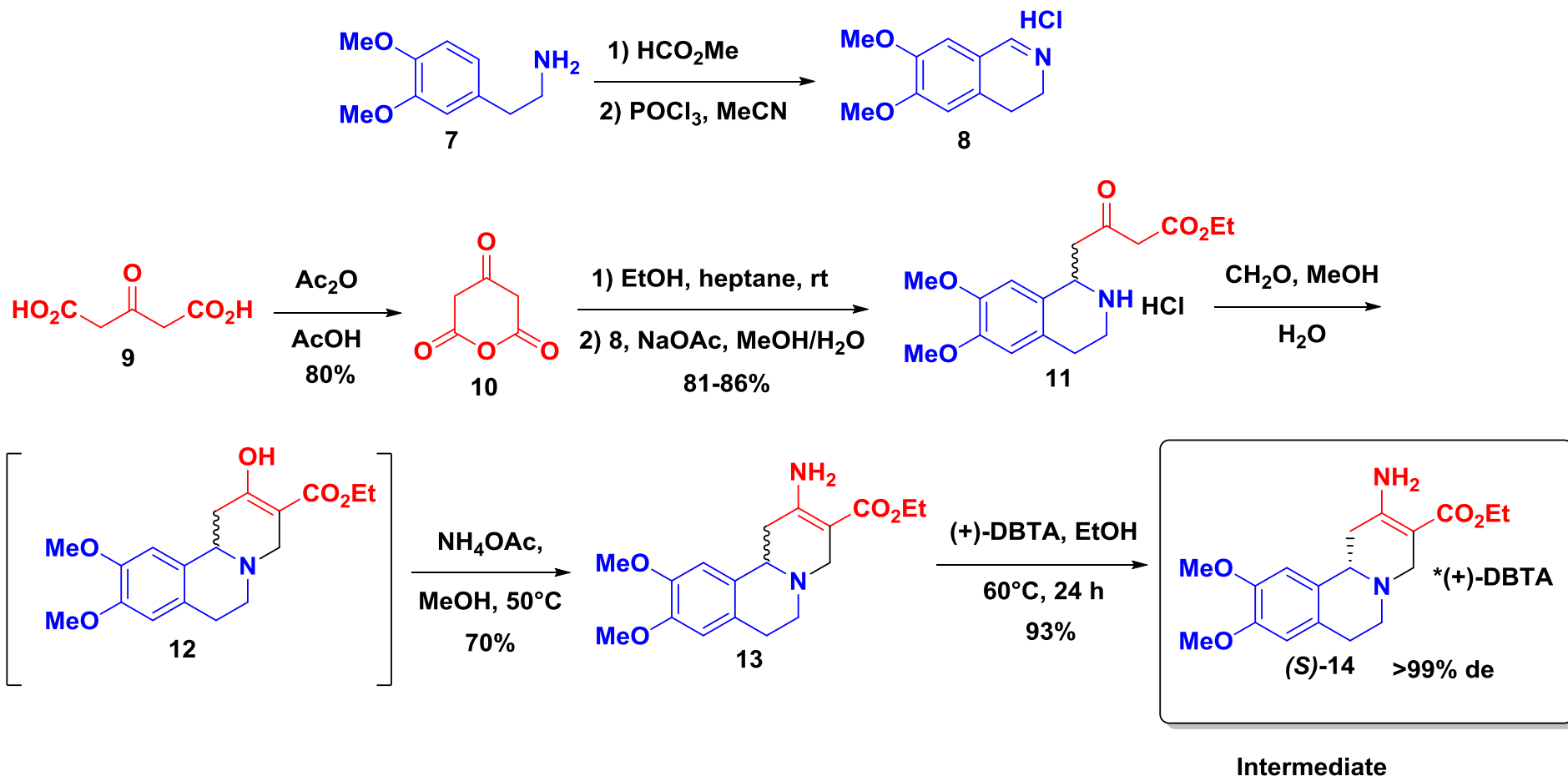
## Carmegliptin.

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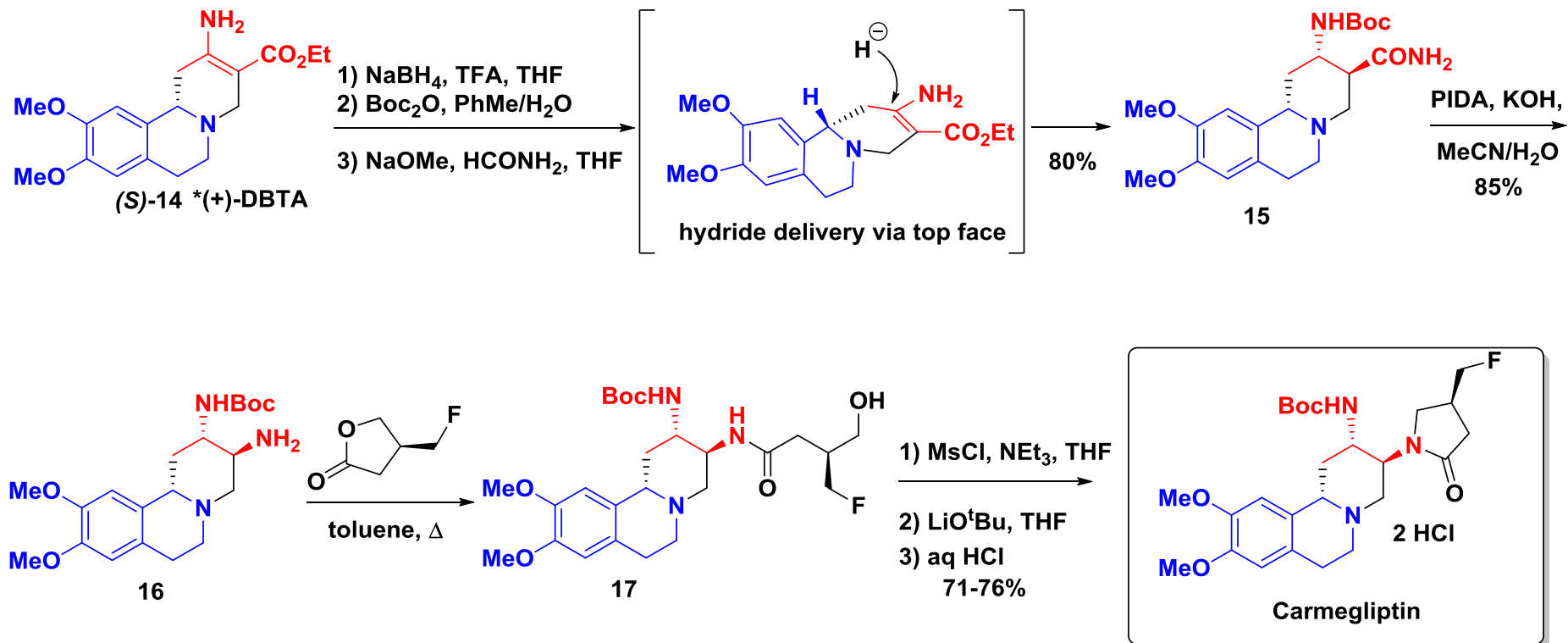
- An antidiabetic drug (for type II diabetes)
- A new generation of DPP-IV inhibitors
- Prevents deactivation of GLP1 (glucagon-like peptide) and normalizes insulin secretion
- In the late stage of clinical trials

# Piperidine containing drugs. Carmegliptin.



# Piperidine containing drugs.

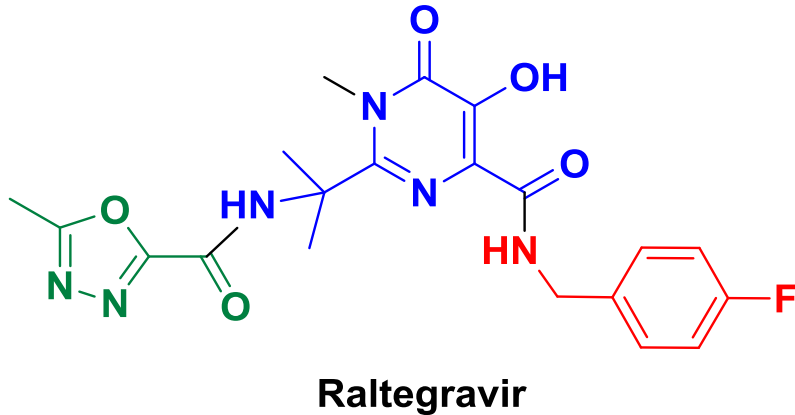
## Carmegliptin.



# Pyrimidine containing drugs.

## Raltegravir.

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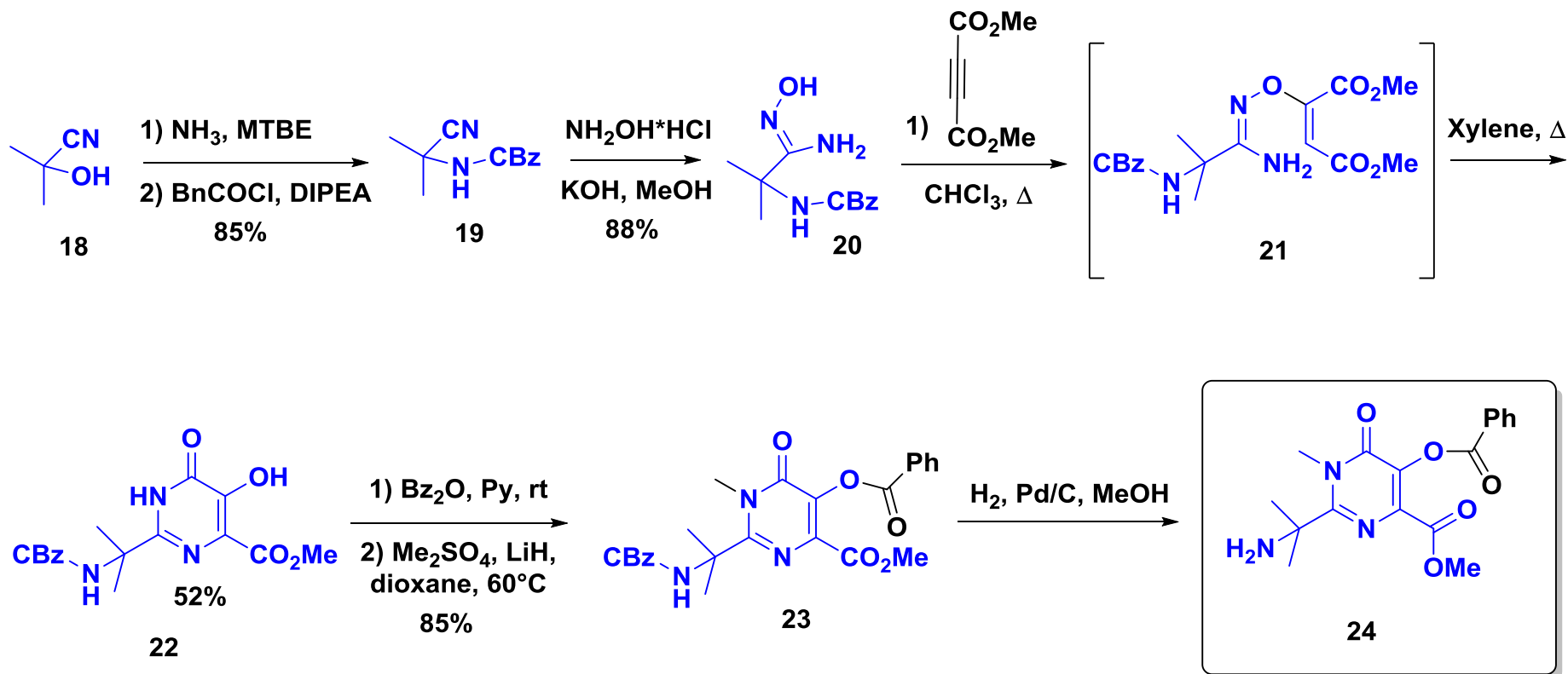
- Antiretroviral drug to treat HIV infection
- Targets enzyme **Integrase** and prevents integration of viral RNA into chromosomes
- FDA approved in 2007
- Produced by Merck & Co

Worldwide sales: \$ 1.6 billion (2013)

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# Pyrimidine containing drugs.

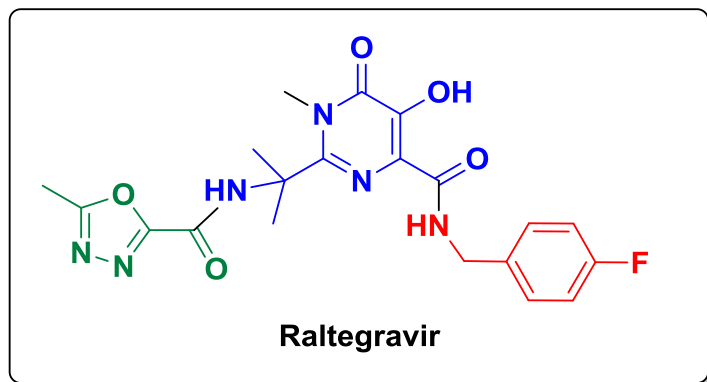
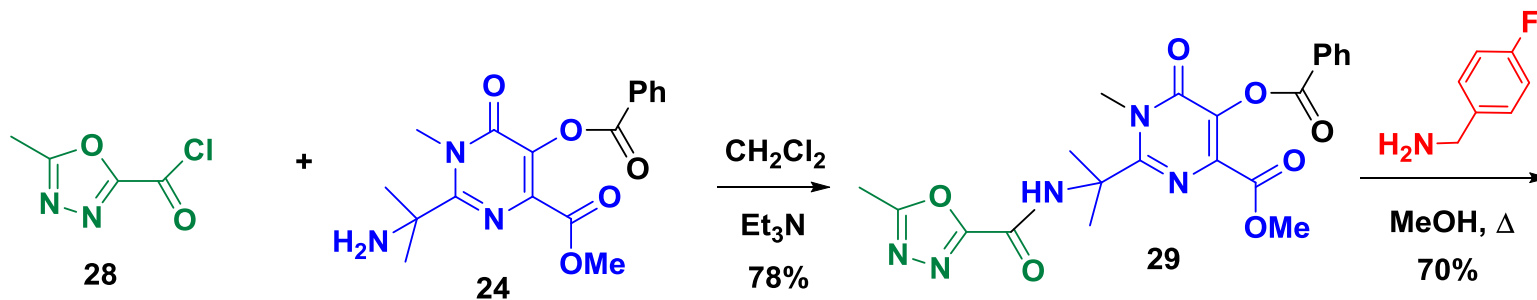
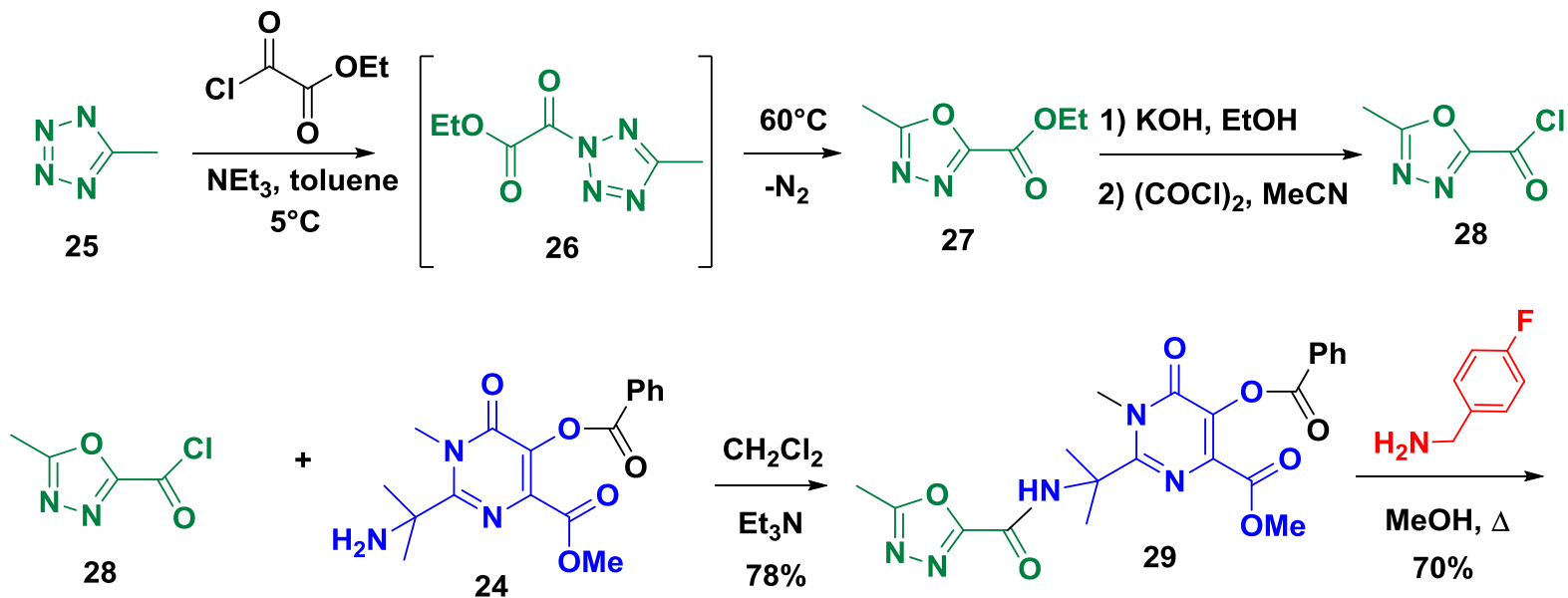
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Key intermediate

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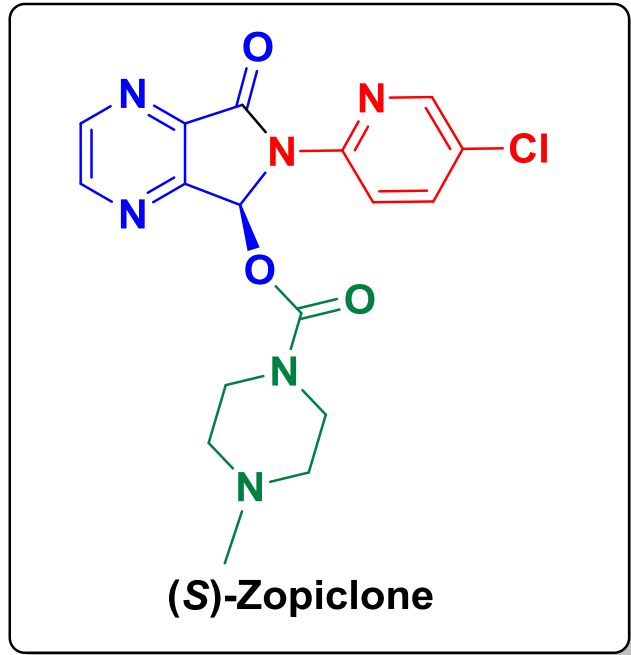
## Raltegravir.



# Pyrazine-piperazine containing drugs.

## Eszopiclone.

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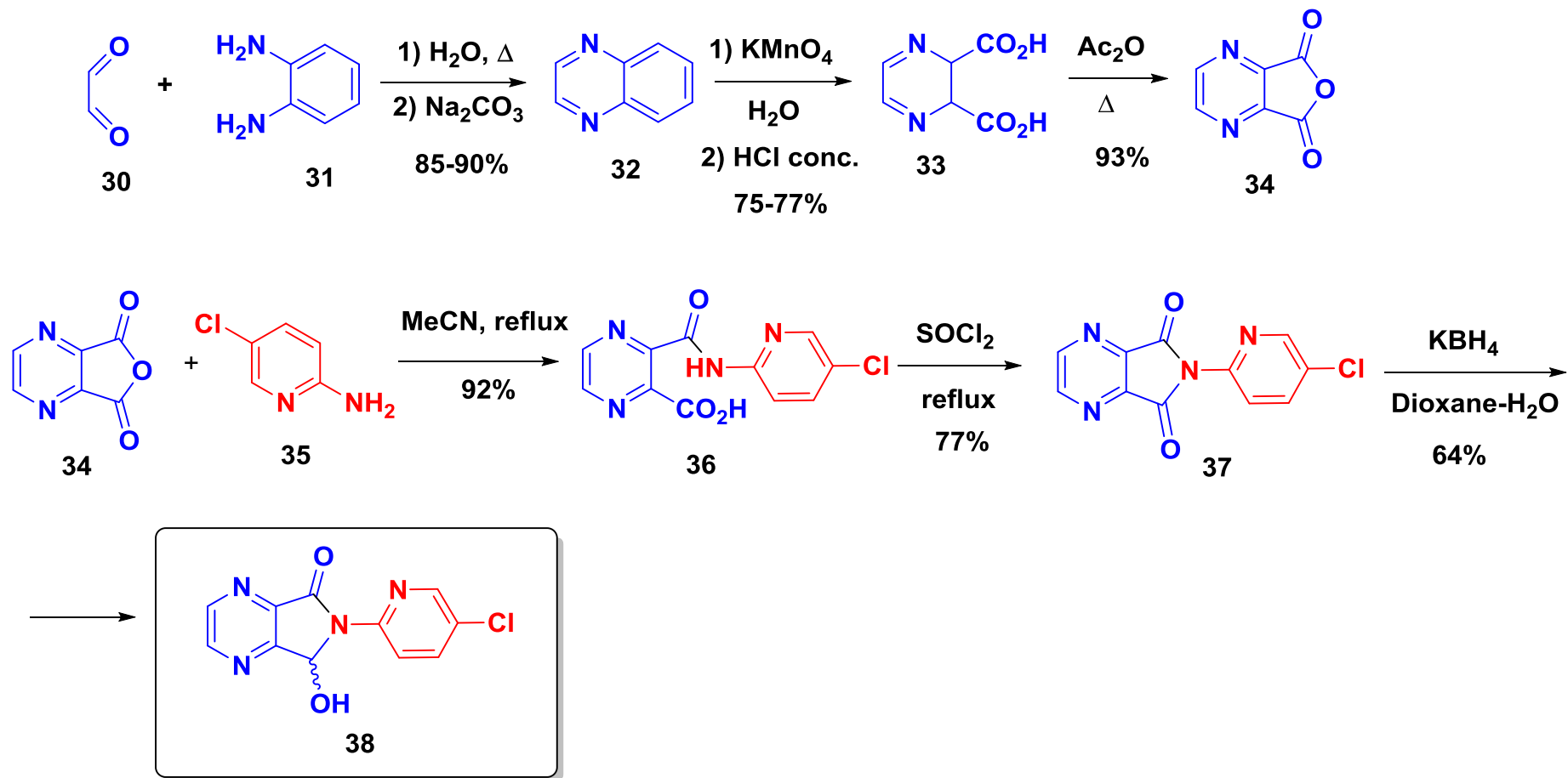


- A drug for treatment insomnia
- Binds to GABA<sub>A</sub> receptors
- (*S*)-enantiomer has 50-fold higher binding affinity than (*R*)-enantiomer and therefore is more active
- Discovered and marketed by Rhone-Poulenc Rorer (now part of Sanofi-Aventis)

**Worldwide sales: \$ 630 million (2013)**

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# Pyrazine-piperazine containing drugs. Eszopiclone.

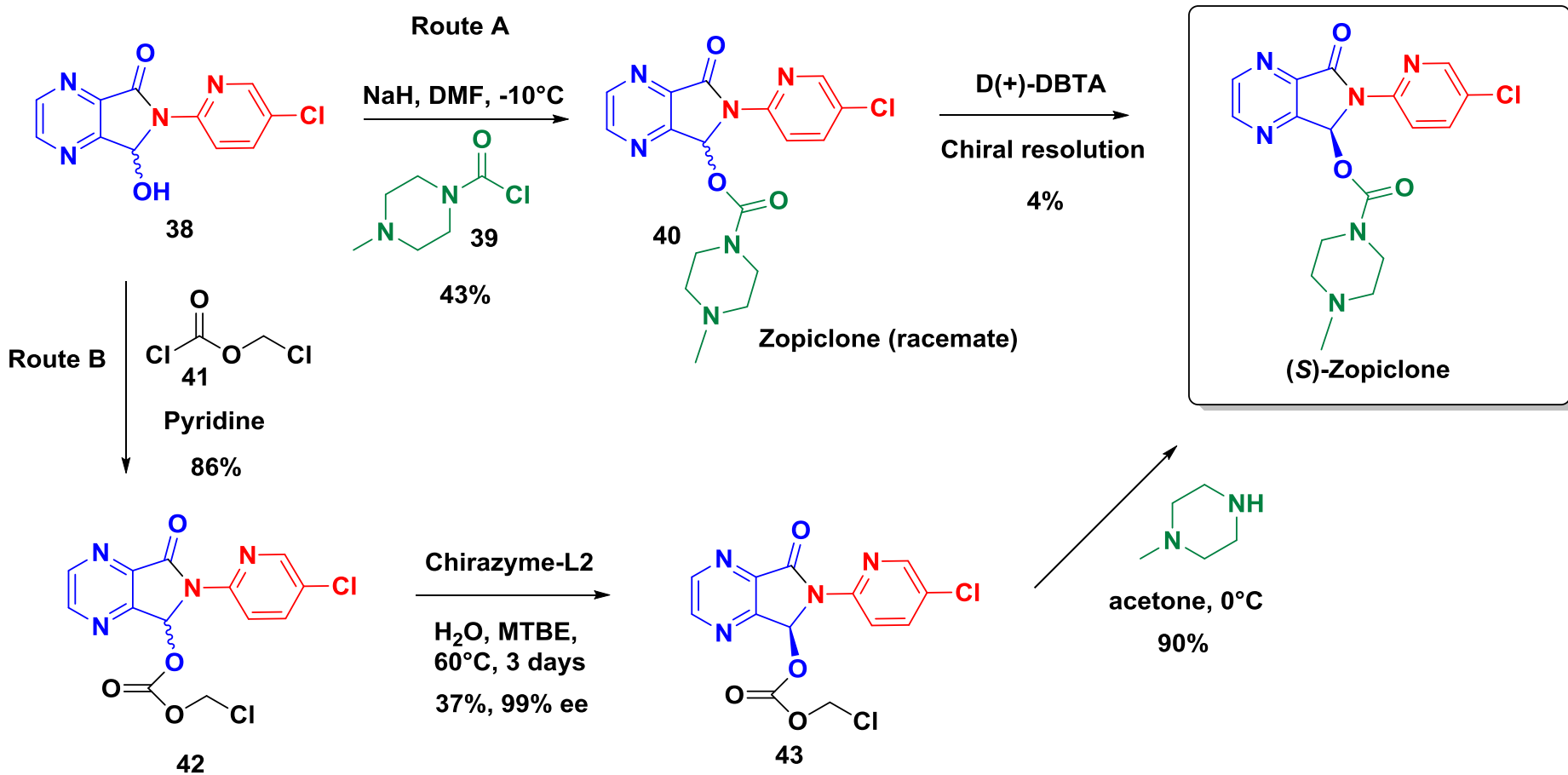


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Jeanmart, C., Cotel, C., and Janot, M. M.-M. (1978). *Chimie Organique*, 377–378.



# Pyrazine-piperazine containing drugs. Eszopiclone.



**Chirazyme** - immobilized form of lipase B from *Candida ataractica*

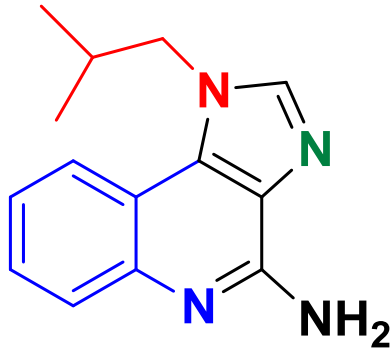
Cotrel, C. and Roussel, G. (1992). EP 0495717.

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# Imidazo-quinoline containing drugs.

## Imiquimod.

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**Imiquimod**

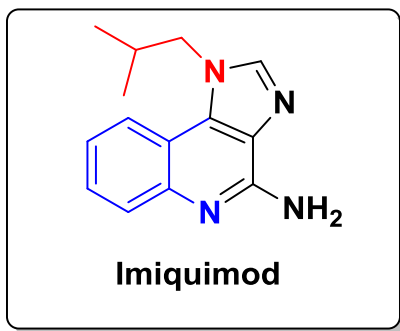
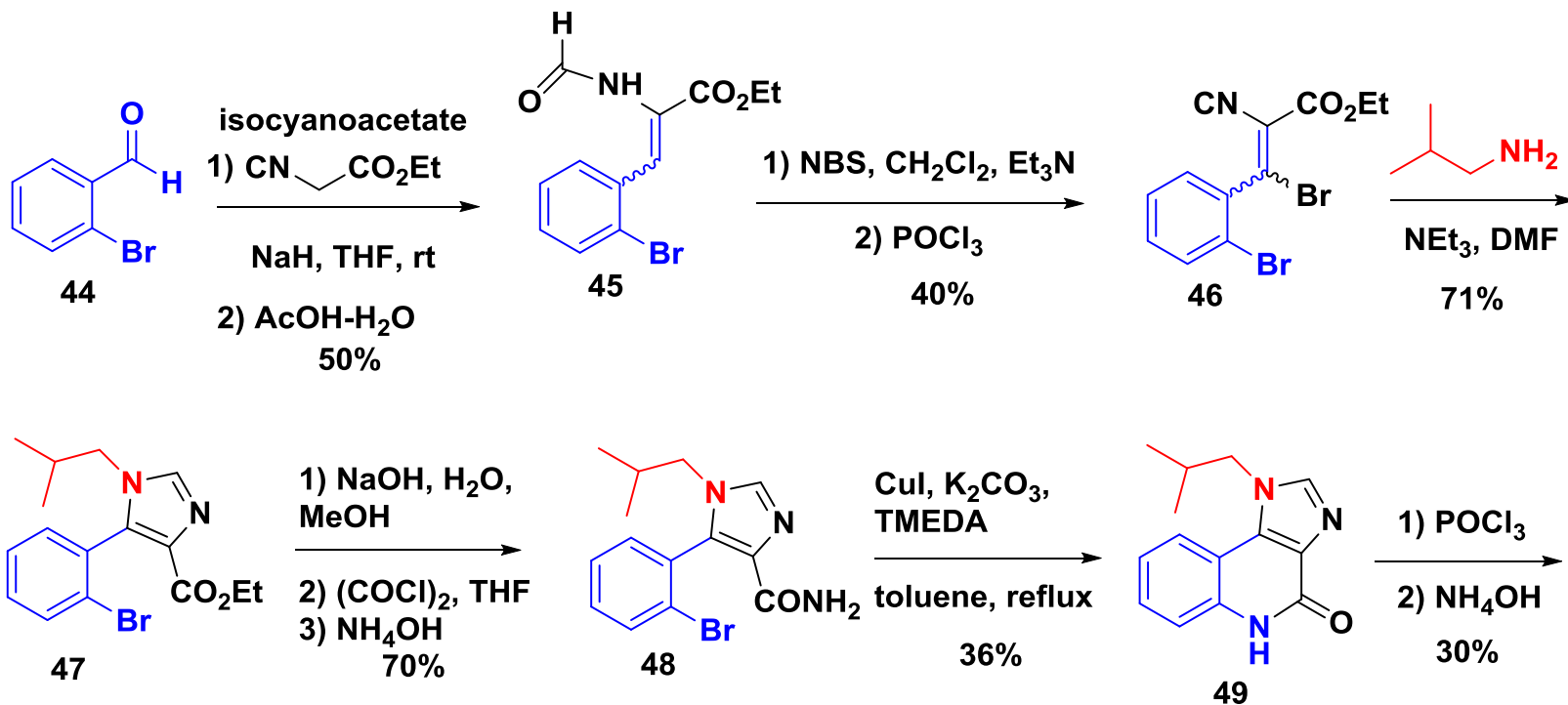
- An immune response modifier
- Used to treat skin diseases including skin cancer
- Used as a cream for topical administration
- FDA approved in 1997
- Marketed by Graceway Pharmaceuticals

**Worldwide sales: \$ 146 million (2013)**

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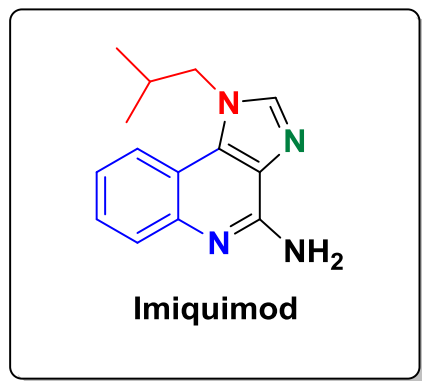
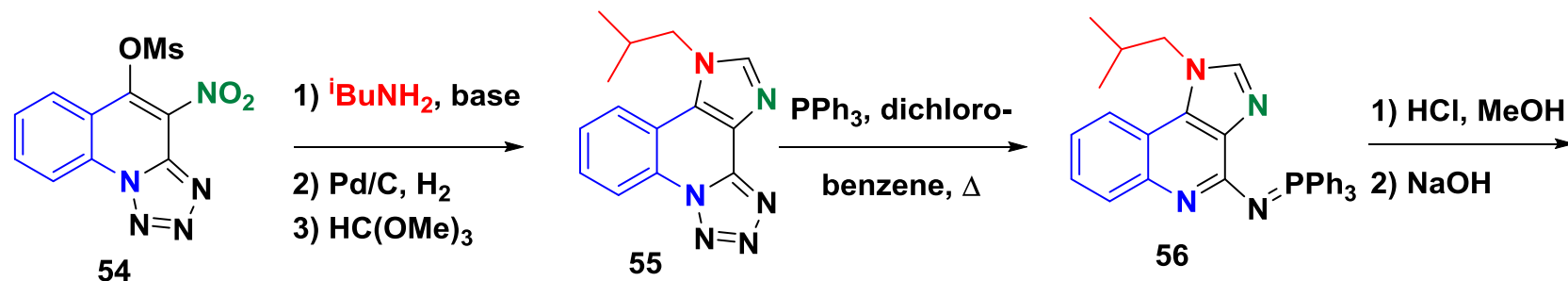
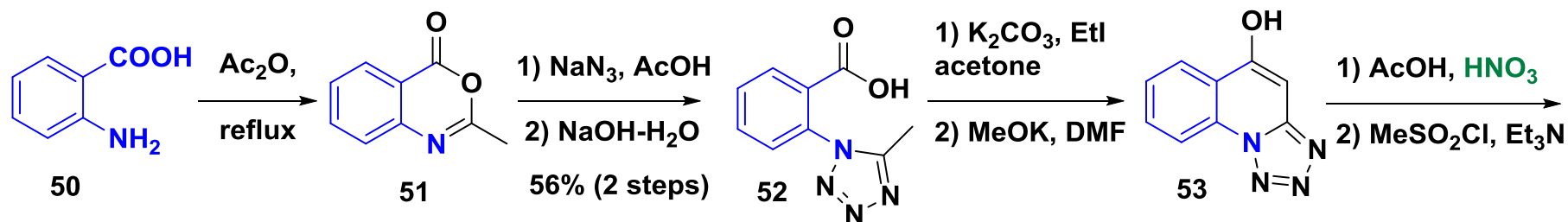
# Imidazo-quinoline containing drugs.

## Imiquimod. Route 1.



# Imidazo-quinoline containing drugs.

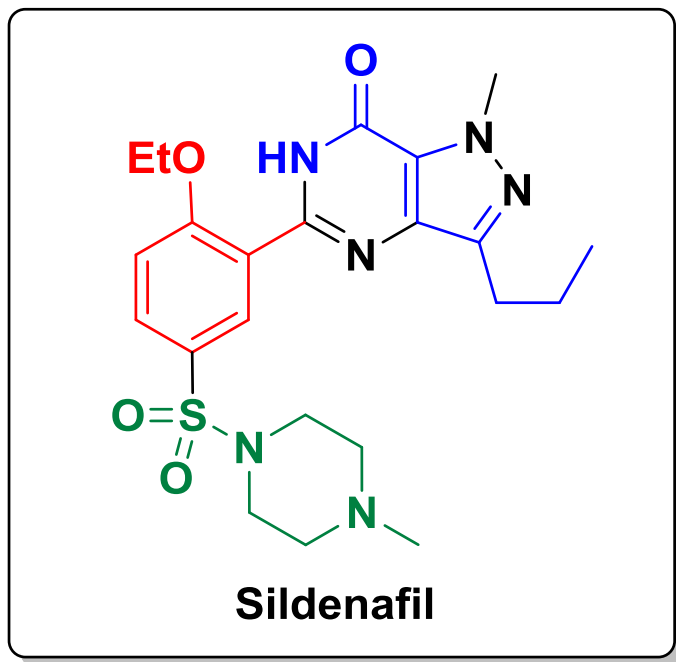
## Imiquimod. Route 2.



# Pyrazolo-pyrimidone containing drugs.

## Sildenafil.

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- A drug for treatment of erectile dysfunction and pulmonary arterial hypertension

Sold under commercial name **Viagra**

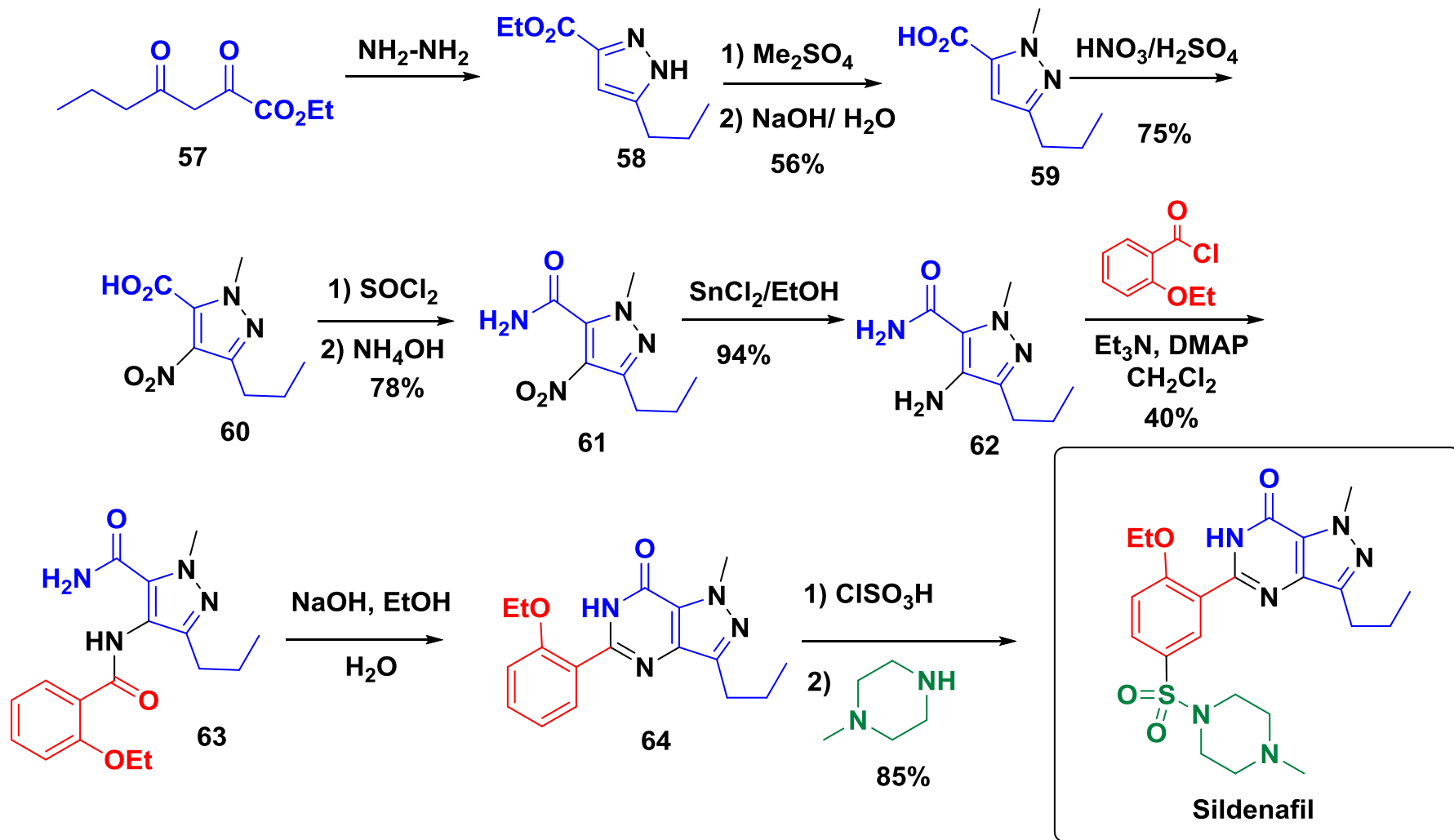
- Developed and manufactured by Pfizer
- FDA approved in 1998

**Worldwide sales: \$ 2.2 billion (2013)**

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# Pyrazolo-pyrimidone containing drugs.

## Sildenafil. Linear route.

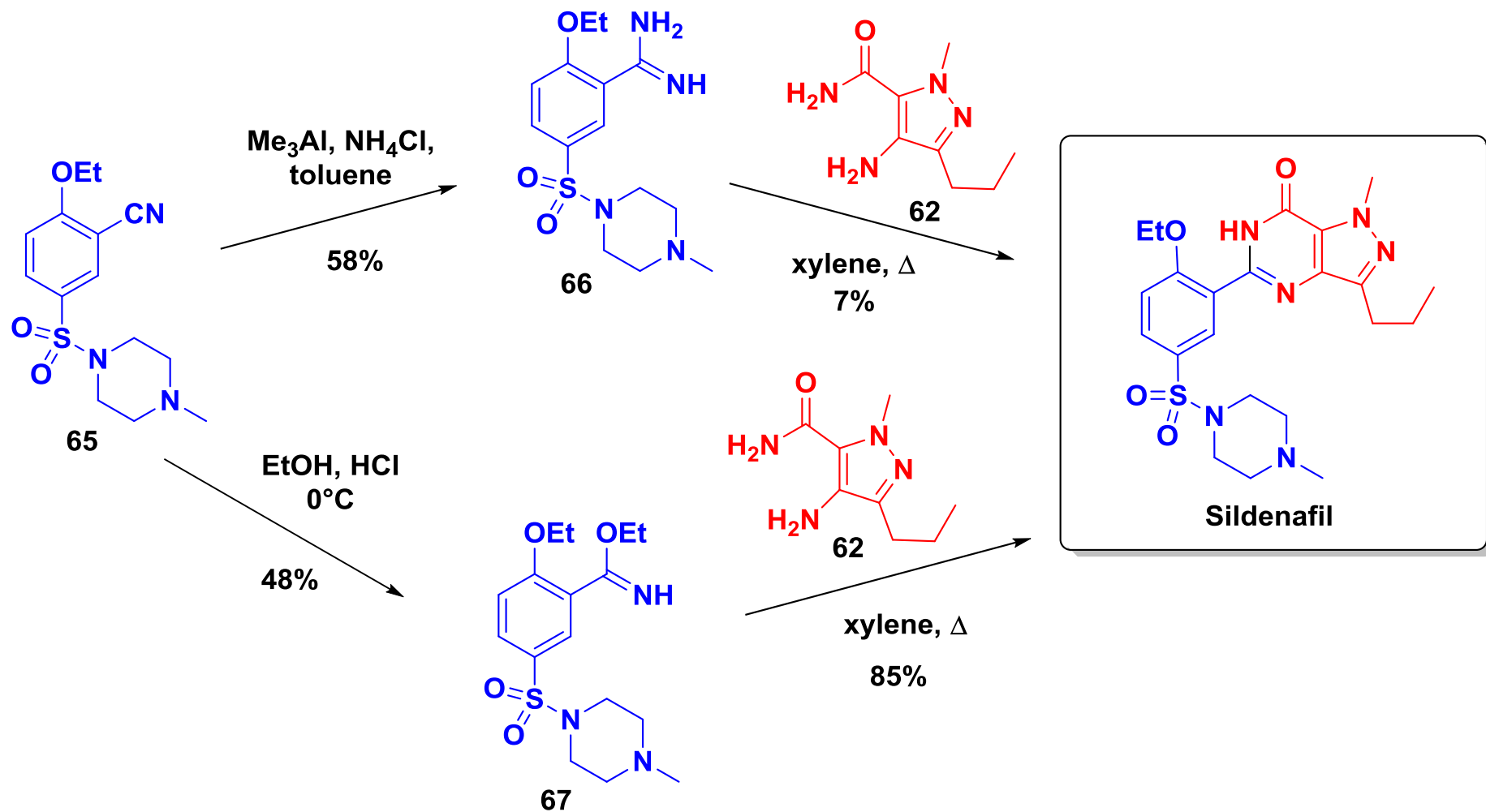


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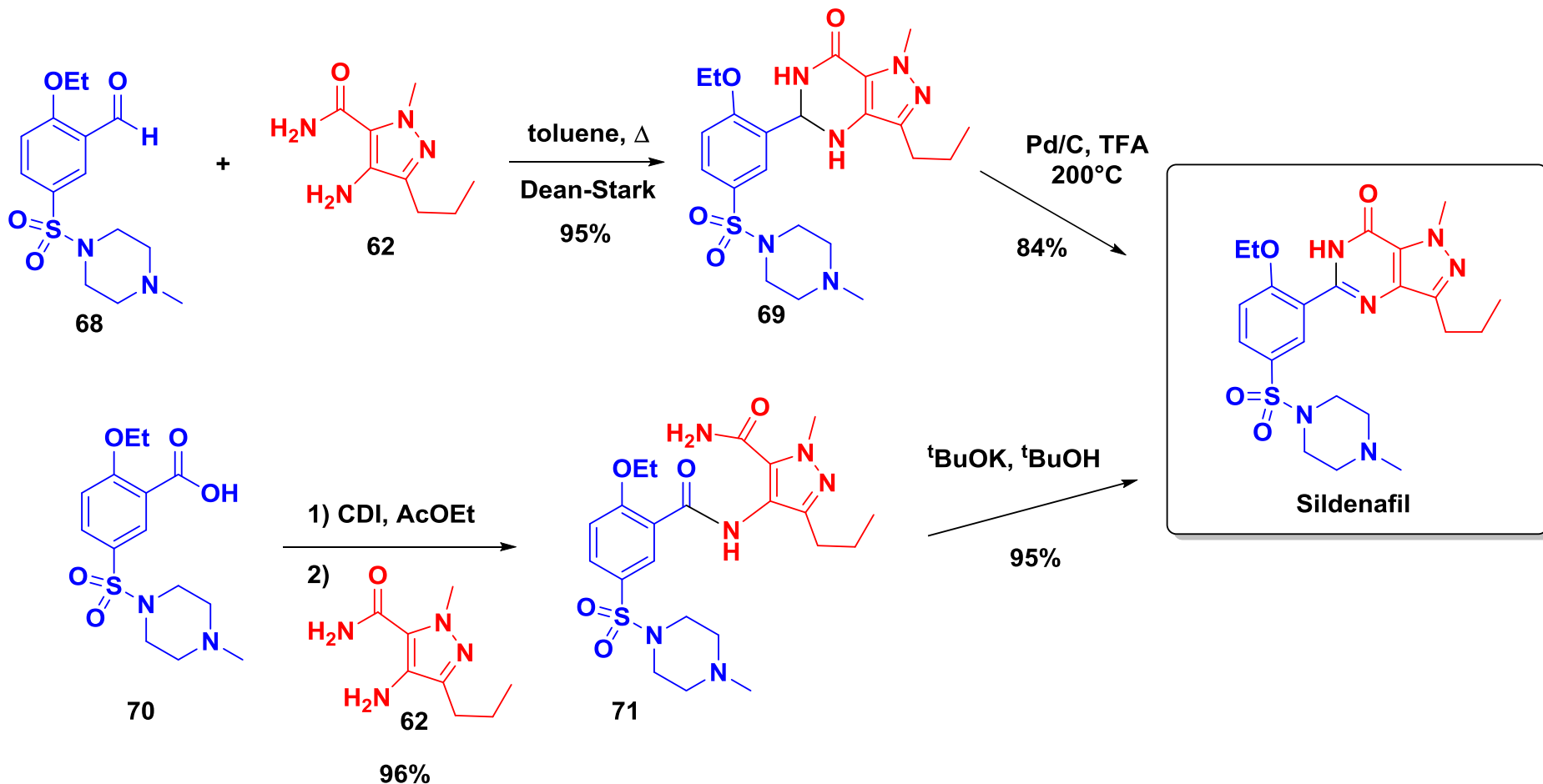
# Pyrazolo-pyrimidone containing drugs.

## Sildenafil. Convergent route 1.



# Pyrazolo-pyrimidone containing drugs.

## Sildenafil. Convergent route 2.



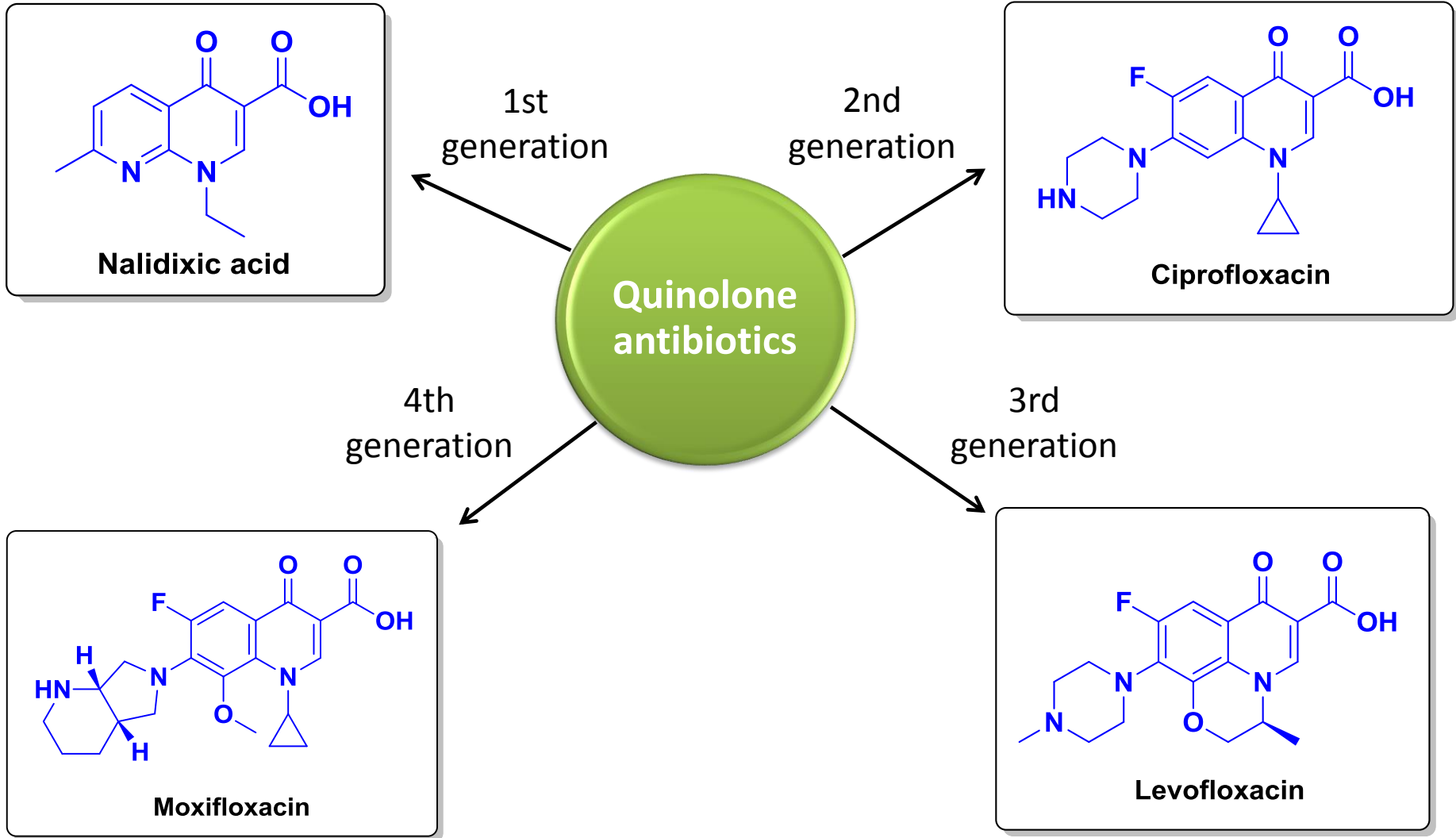
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# Quinolone Antibiotics.

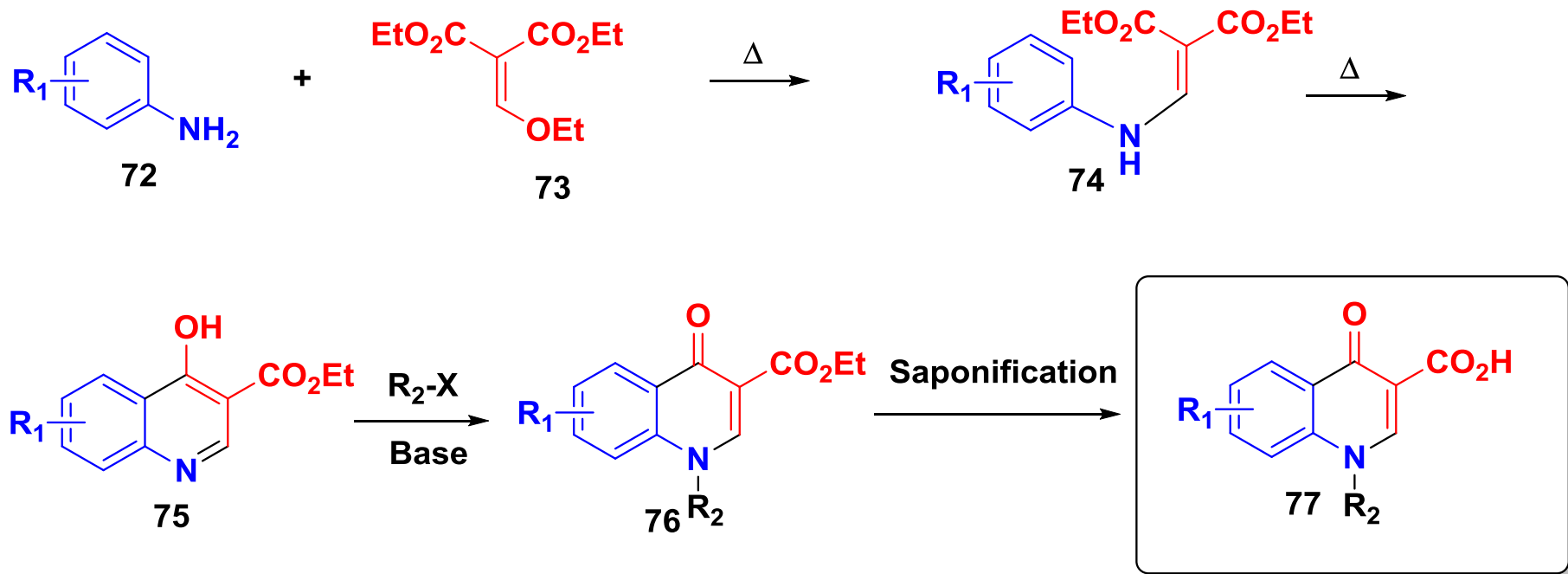


**Avelox®** US sales \$ 195.000.000 (2013)

**Levaquin®** US sales \$ 1.5 billion (2011)

# Quinolone Antibiotics.

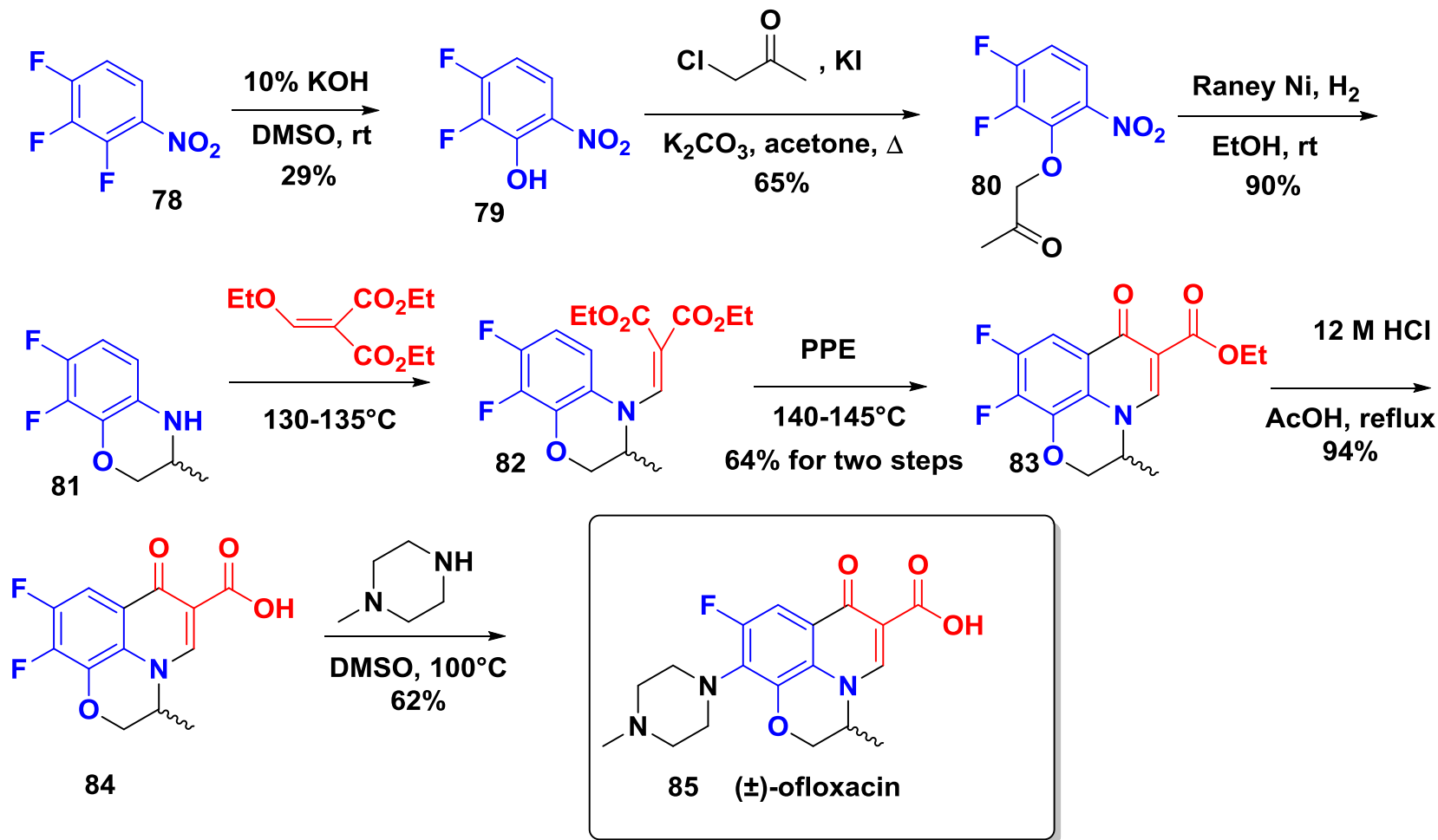
## The Gould-Jacobs sequence (1939)<sup>1</sup>



<sup>1</sup>R. G. Gould, W. A. Jacobs, *Journal of the American Chemical Society* **1939**, *61*, 2890-2895.

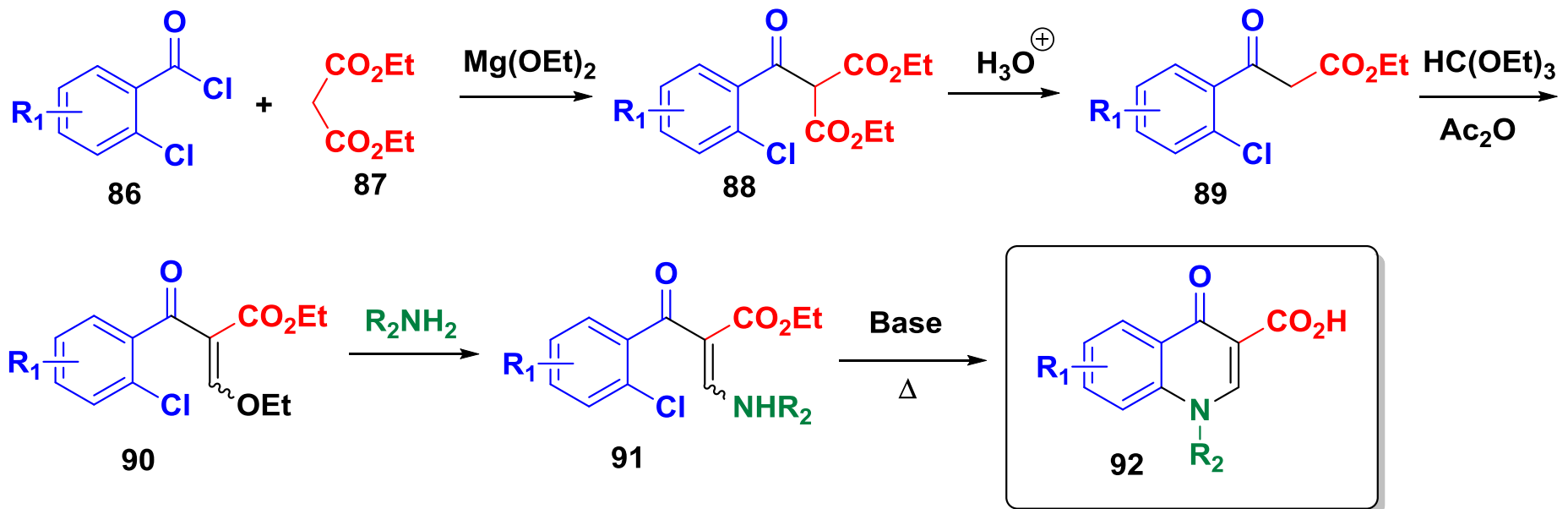
# Quinolone Antibiotics. Ofloxacin.

## I. Gould-Jacobs sequence -> Hayakawa synthesis (1984)



# Quinolone Antibiotics

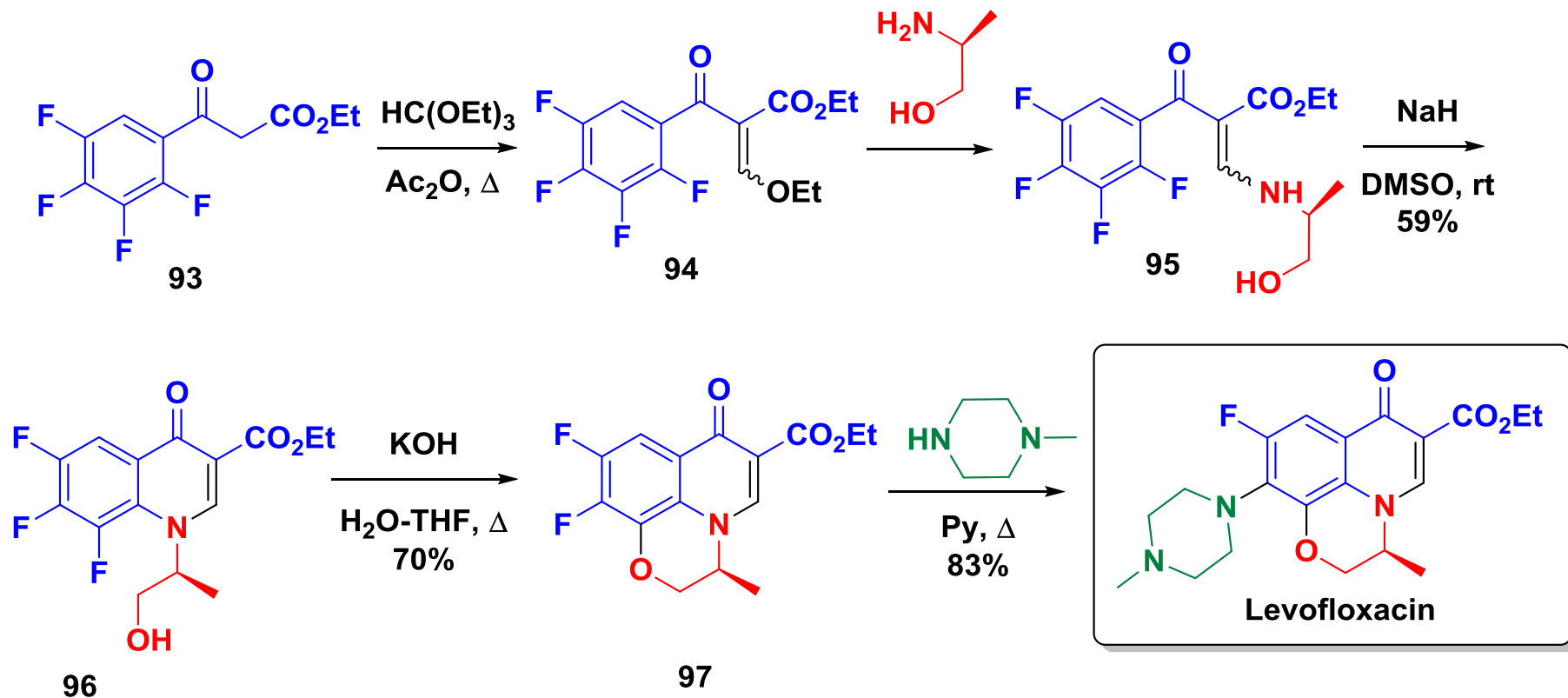
## Grohe-Heitzer sequence



# Quinolone Antibiotics.

## Levofloxacin.

Grohe-Heitzer sequence -> Chu-Mitscher Synthesis (1987)



## Conclusions and perspectives

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- Six member heterocycles are very abundant among important top selling drugs
  - Reduced forms of parent heterocycles (piperidines, piperazines...) are also common structural elements of drugs due to their beneficial features (hydrophilicity, H-bonding, role as a pharmacophore...)
  - Further advances in synthetic methods are extremely important for pharmaceutical industry
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**Thank you for your attention**

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# Selected examples of spirocyclic natural product synthesis

Nicolas Gaeng

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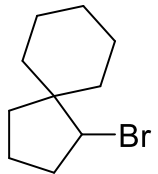


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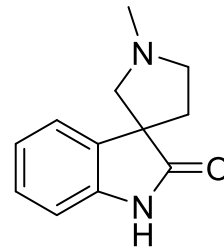
- Introduction

# Introduction – spirocyclic compounds

- Structures with multiple rings connected through one atom
- Nomenclature proposed by Adolf Baeyer in 1900



1-bromospiro[4.5]decane



1'-methylspiro[indoline-3,3'-pyrrolidin]-2-one

Horsfiline

- Challenging quaternary carbon center

# Introduction – spirocyclic compounds

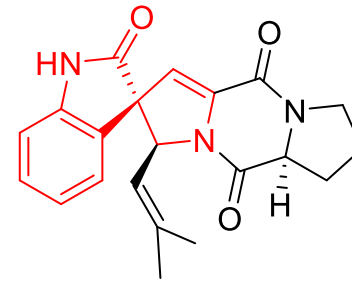
- Variety of different spirocyclic

# Main families

- Spirooxindole:

Isolated from *Apocynaceae* and *Rubiaceae*

→ Biological activities

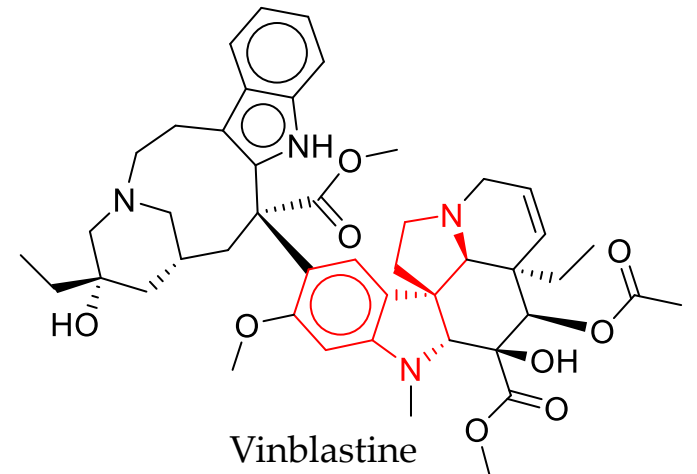


(-)-spirotryprostatin B

- Spiroindoline:

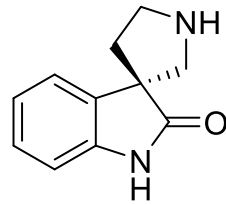
Isolated from *Strychnos*

→ Antitumor activities

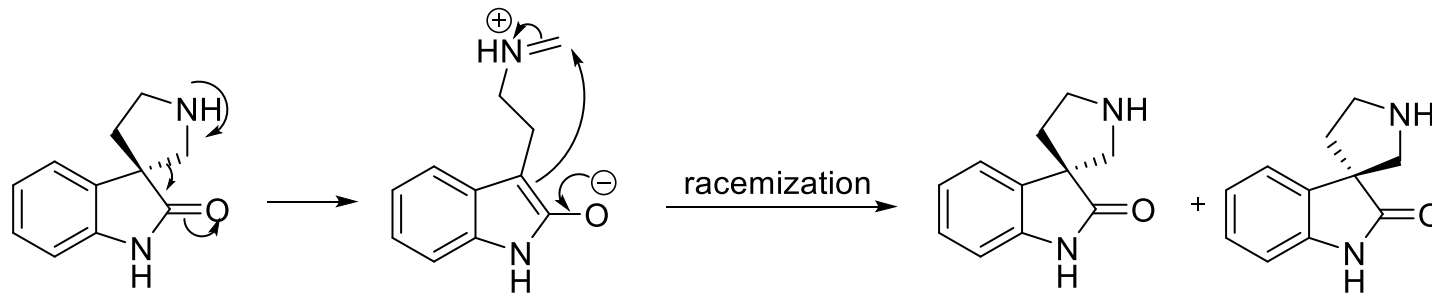


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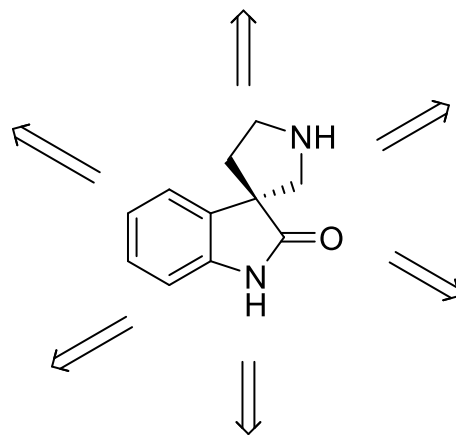
# General consideration



Racemization through a retro-Mannich reaction

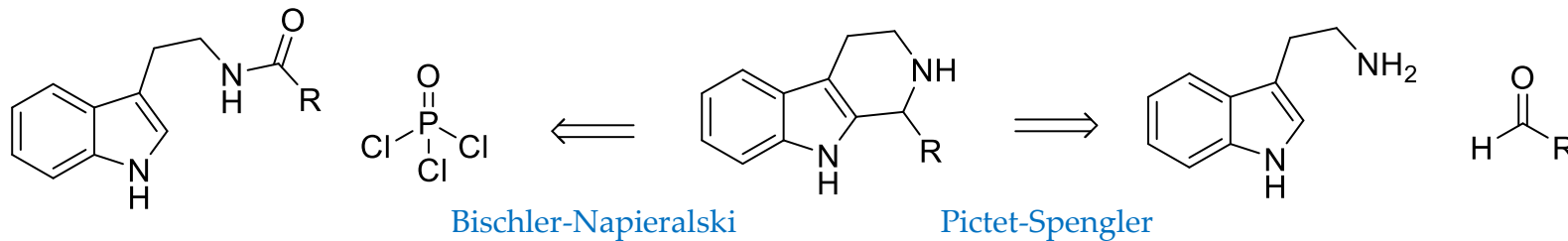


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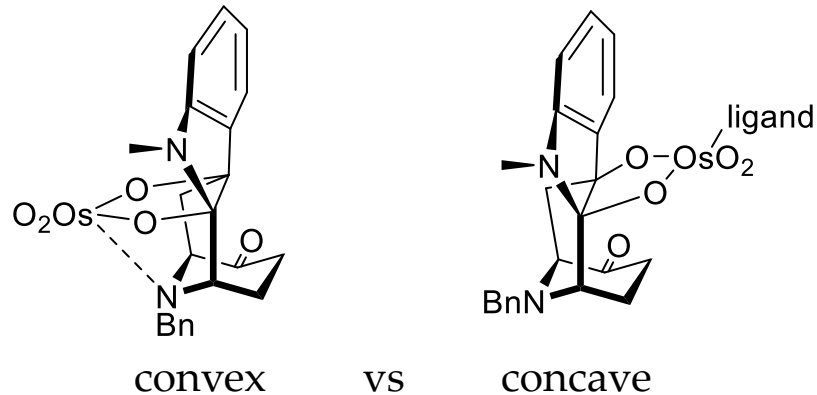
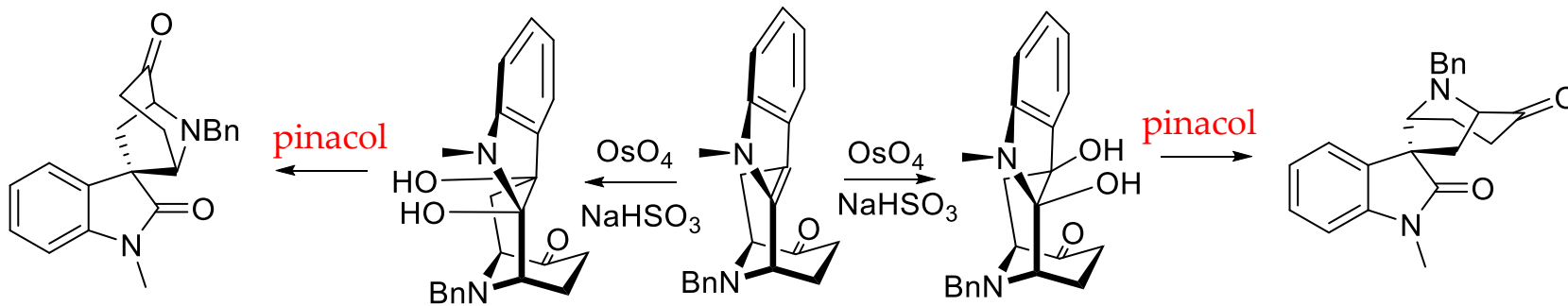
# Oxidative Rearrangements

- One of the most common methods
- Usual reagents:  $\text{OsO}_4$ ,  $\text{Pb}(\text{OAc})_4$ ,  $^t\text{BuOCl}$ , NBS,  $\text{Na}_2\text{WO}_4$
- From tetrahydro- $\beta$ -carboline (tryptoline)



# Oxidative Rearrangements

Cook's studies on alstonisine

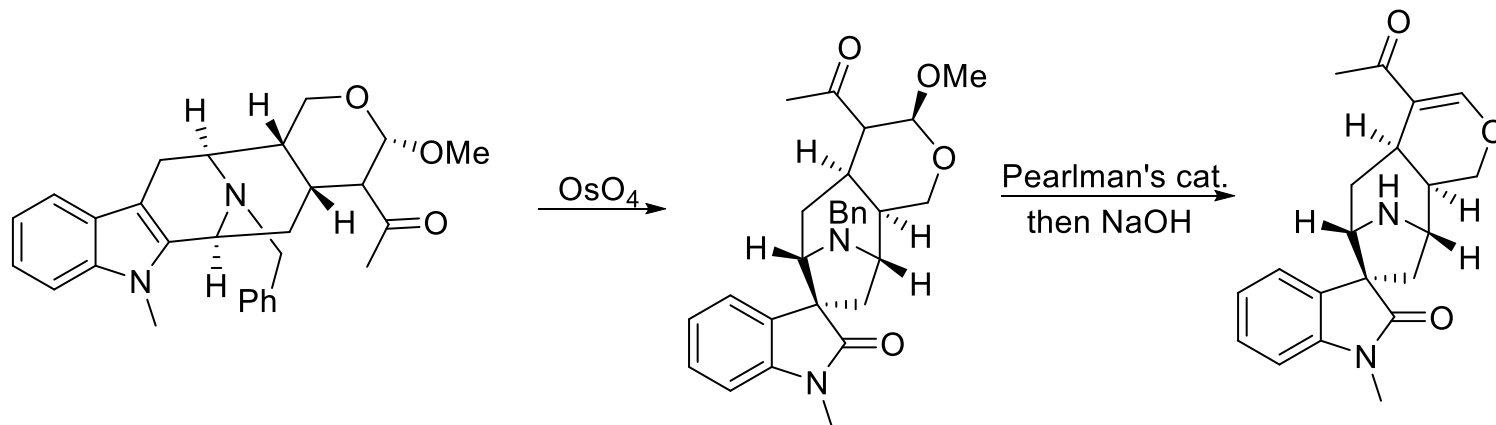


Cinchona type ligand



# Oxidative Rearrangements

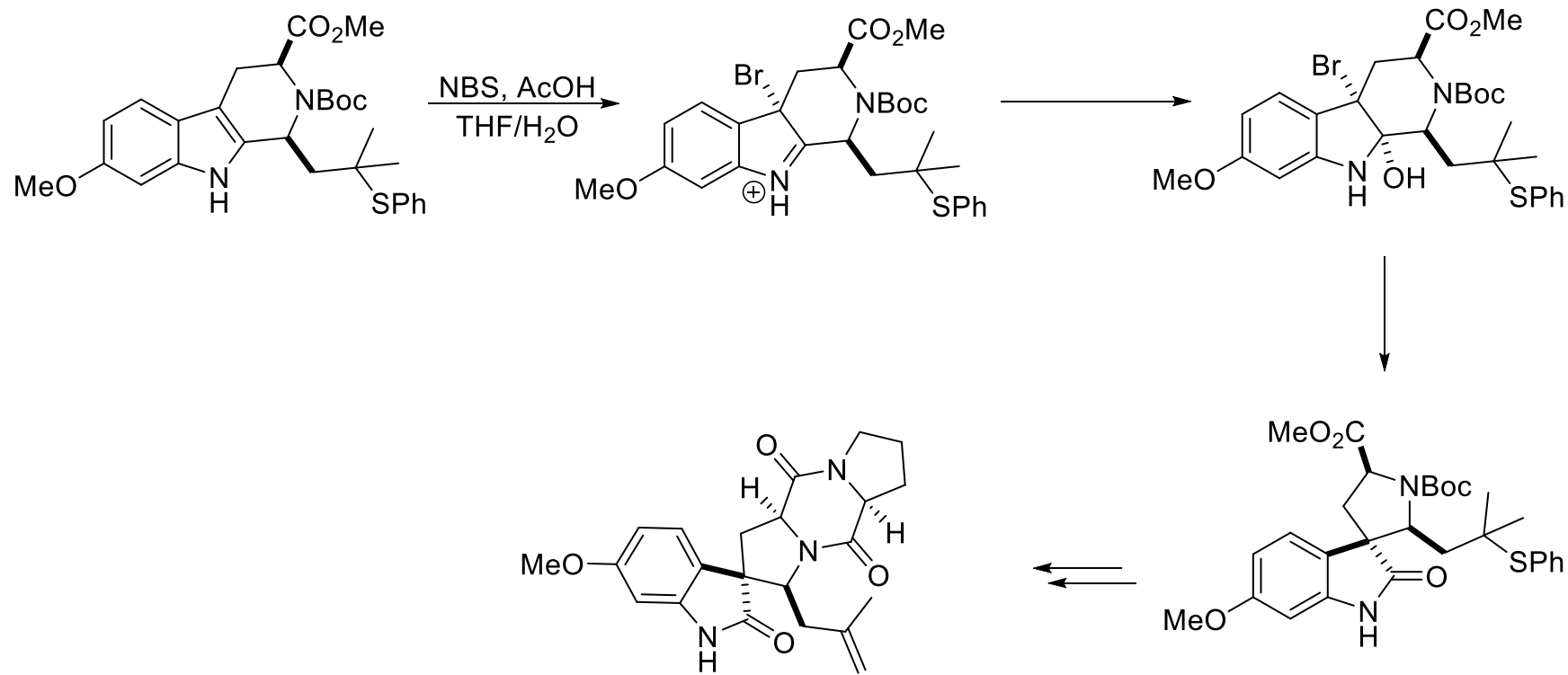
Cook's synthesis of alstonisine



Pearlman's cat.:  $\text{Pd}(\text{OH})_2/\text{C}$ ,  $\text{H}_2$

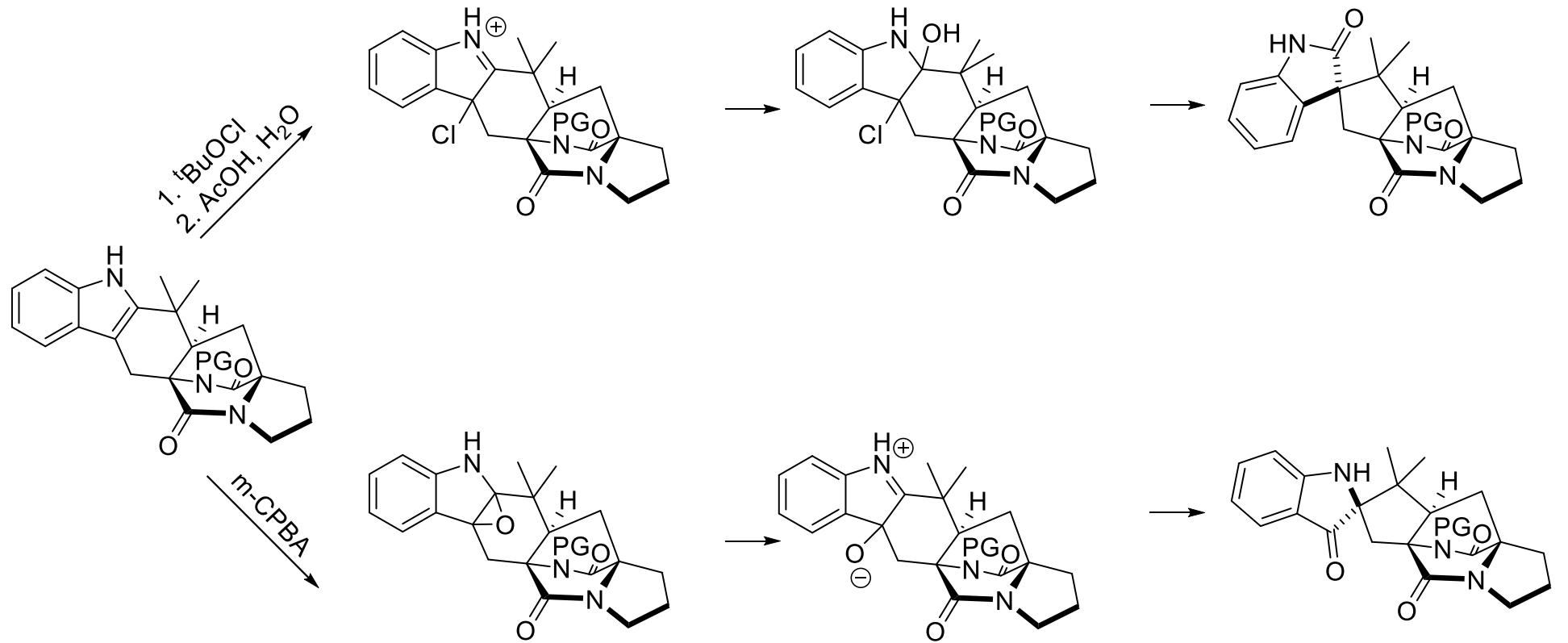
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Danishefsky's synthesis of spirotryprostatin A



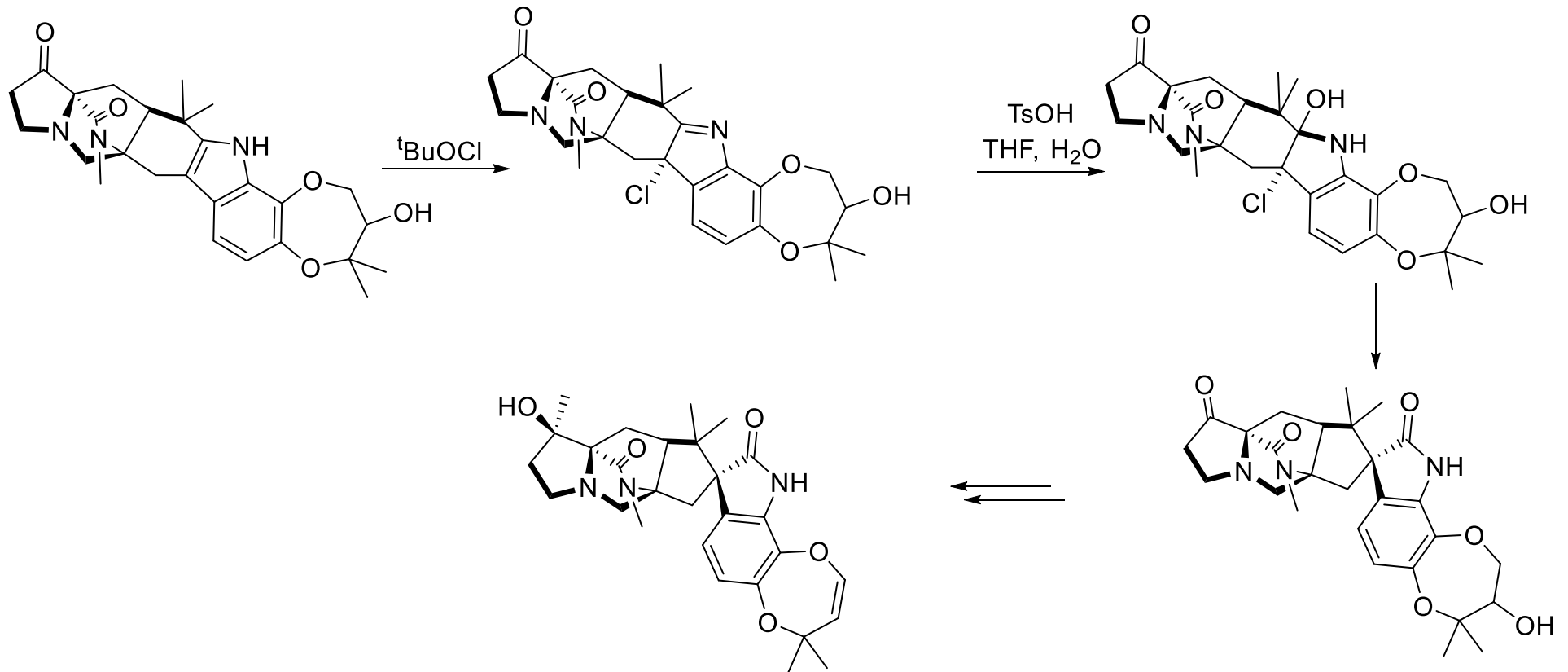
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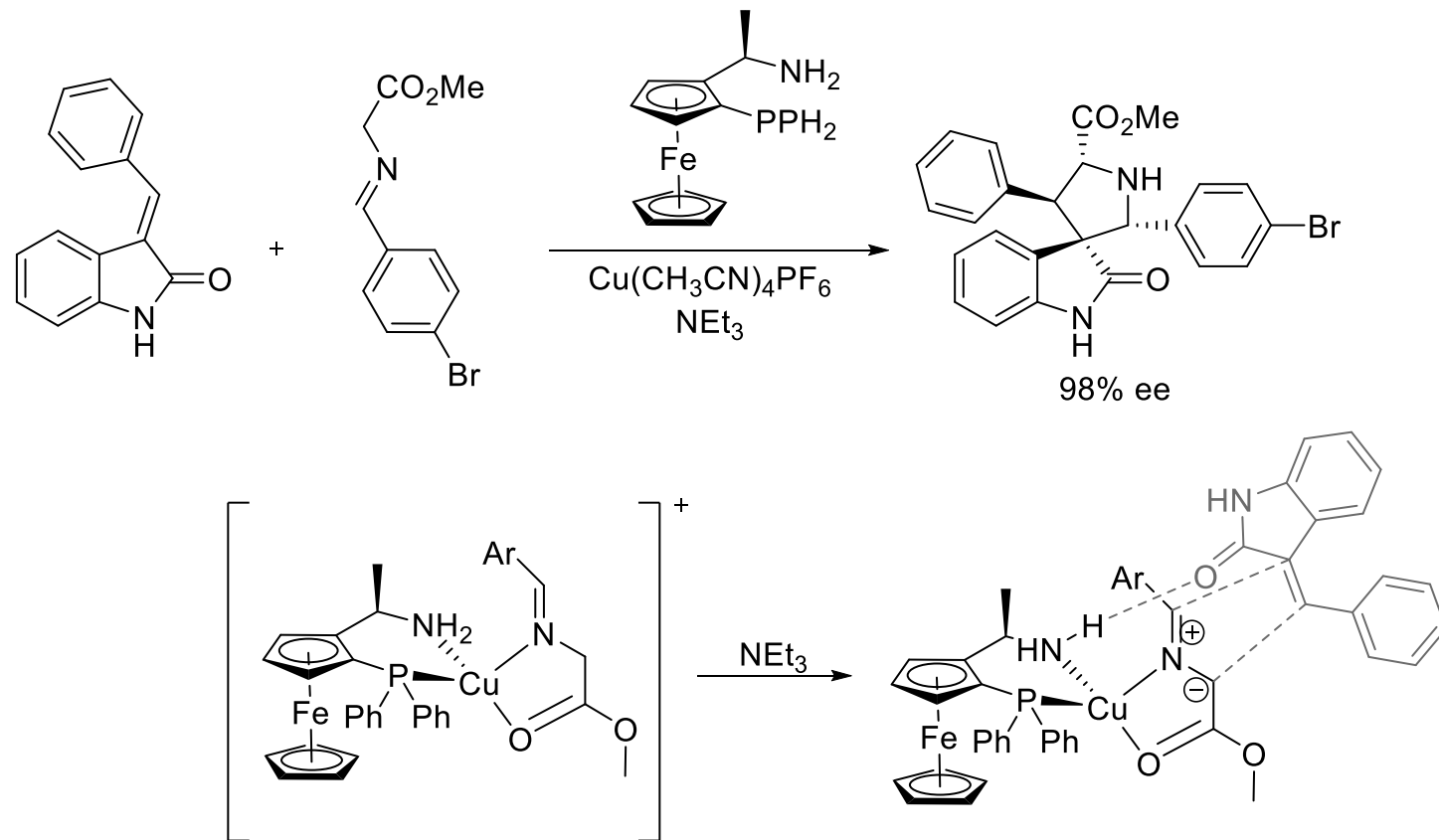
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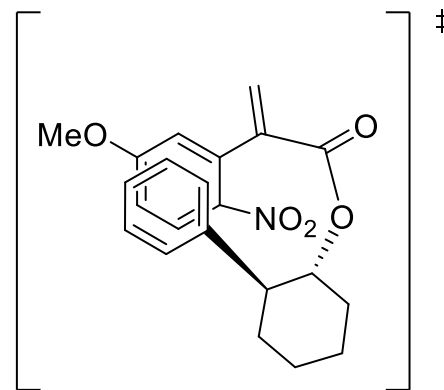
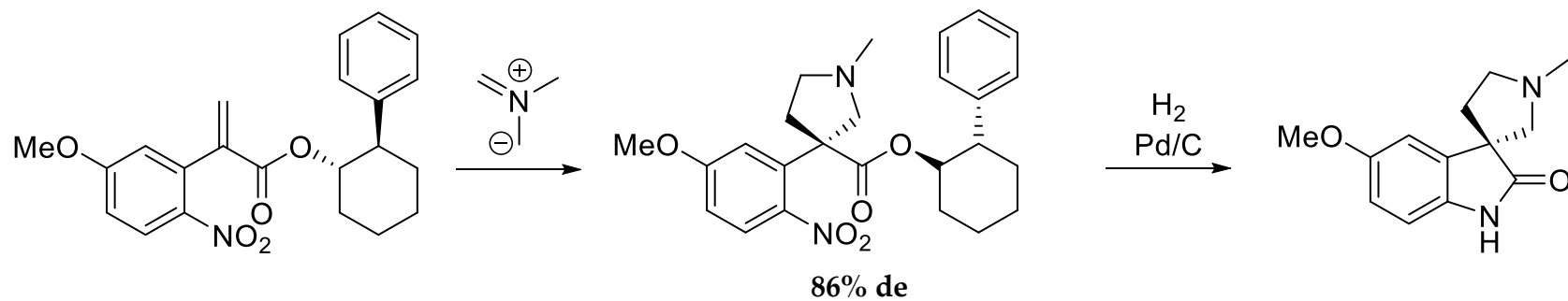
# 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition

Waldmann's studies based on spirotryprostatin



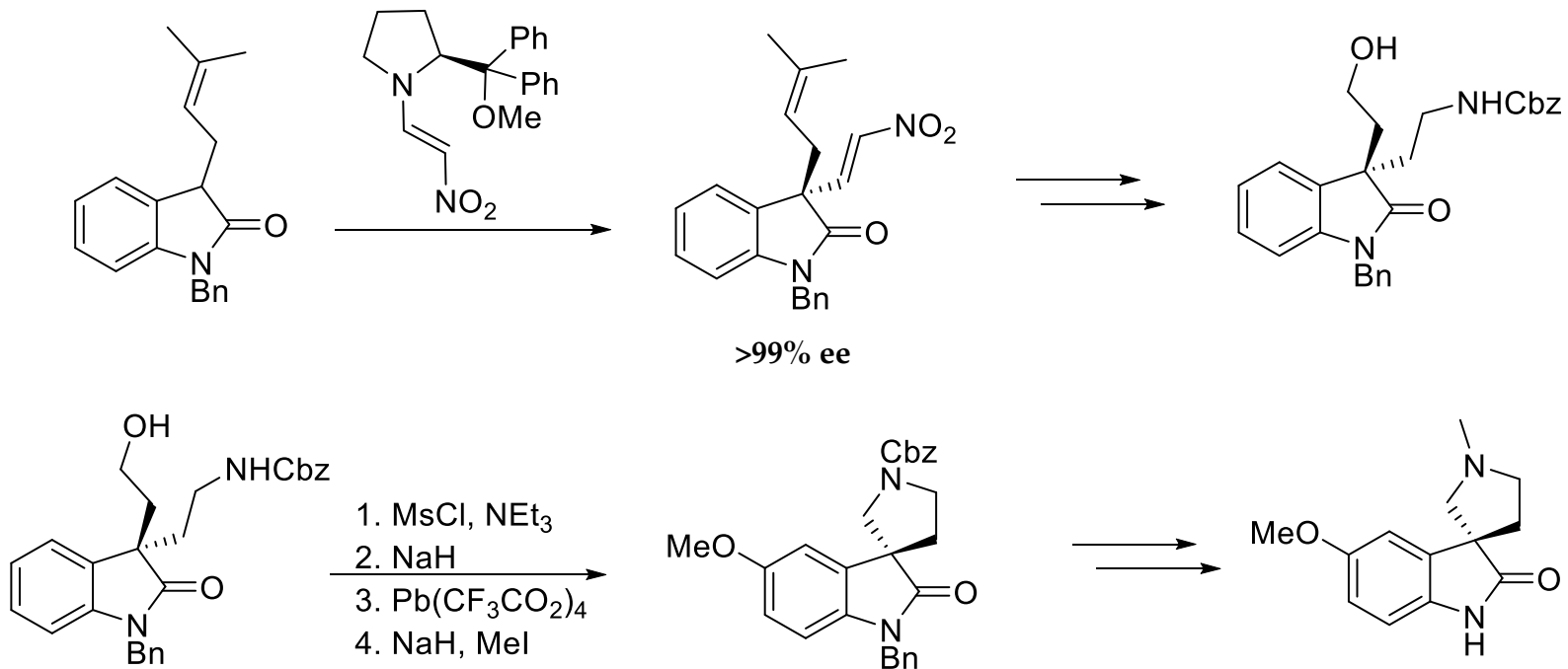
# Azomethine Ylide Cycloaddition

Palmisano's synthesis of (-)-horsfiline



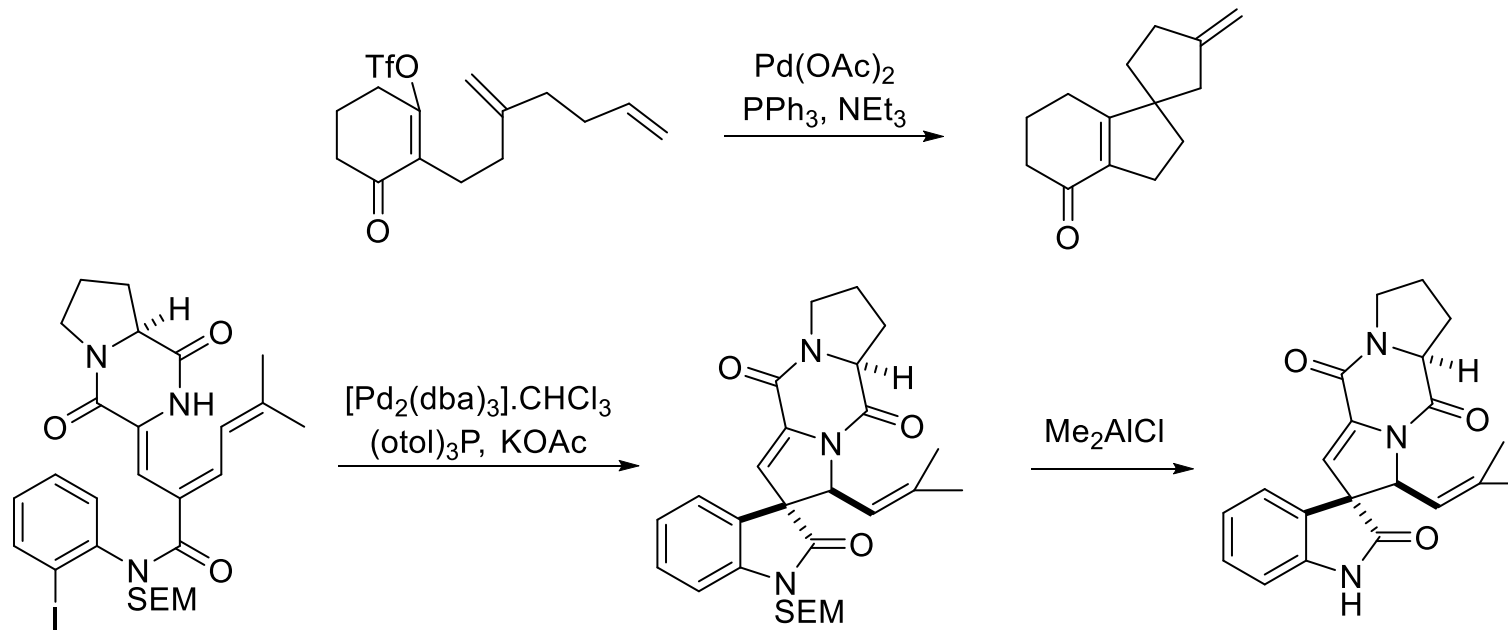
# Asymmetric Addition-Elimination

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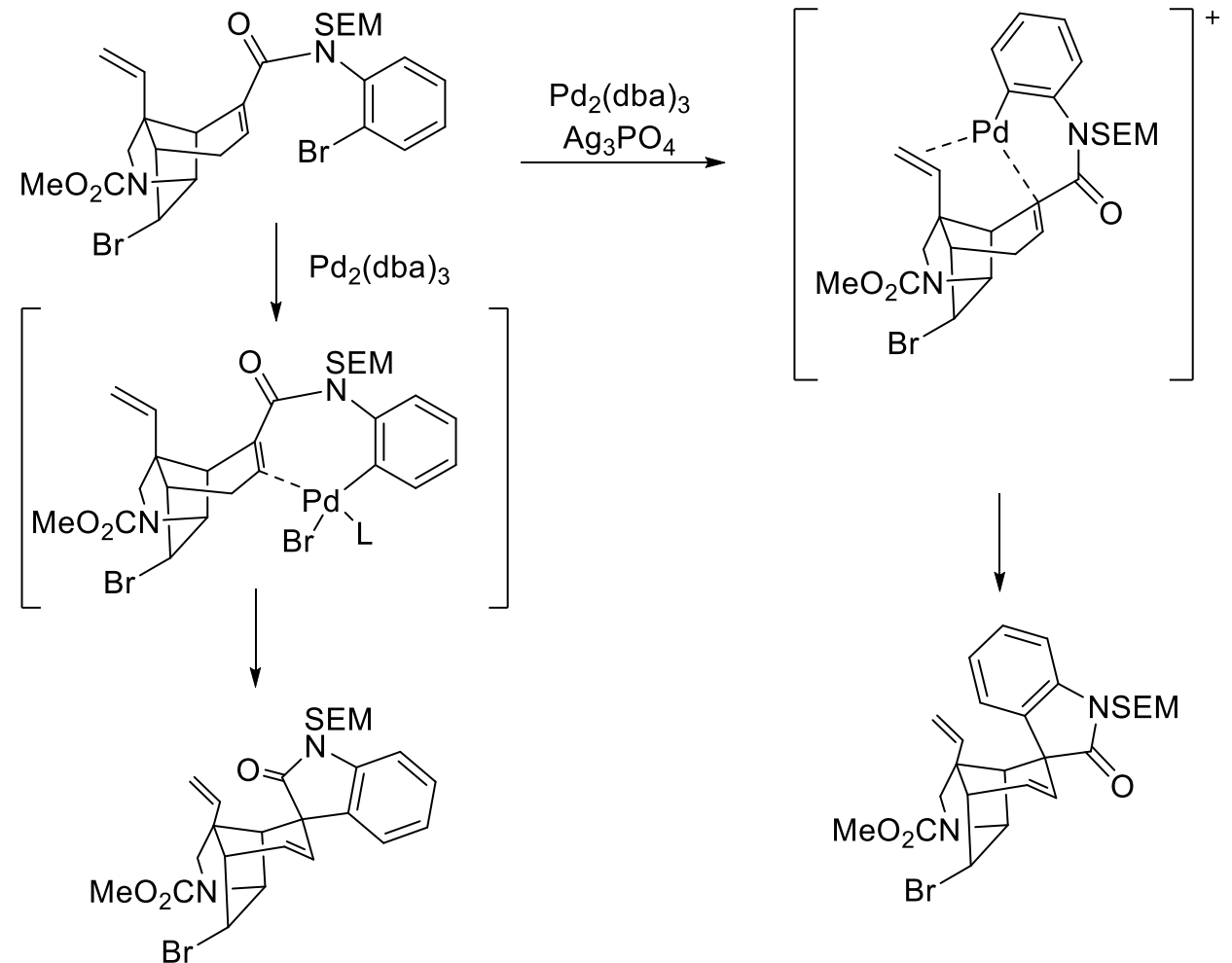
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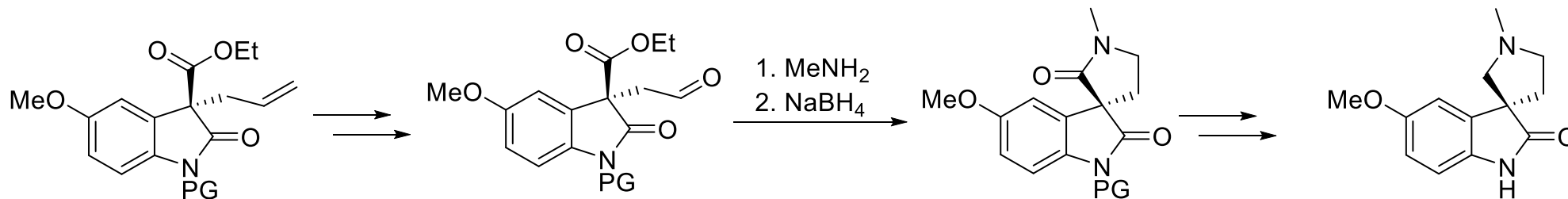
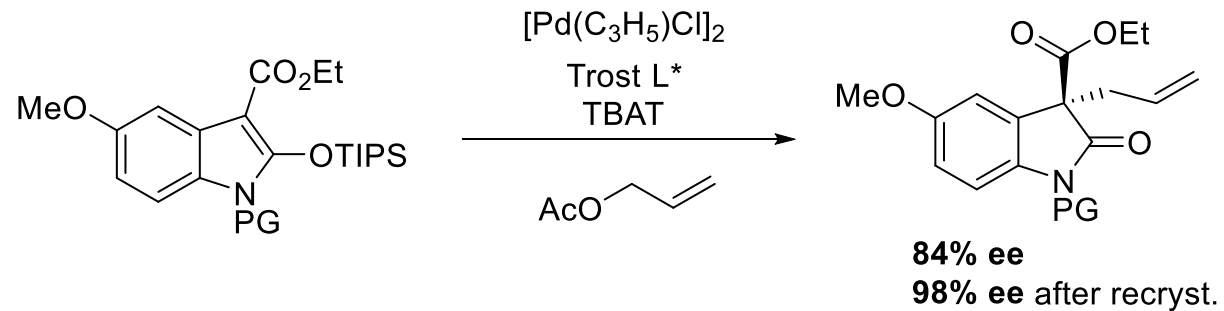
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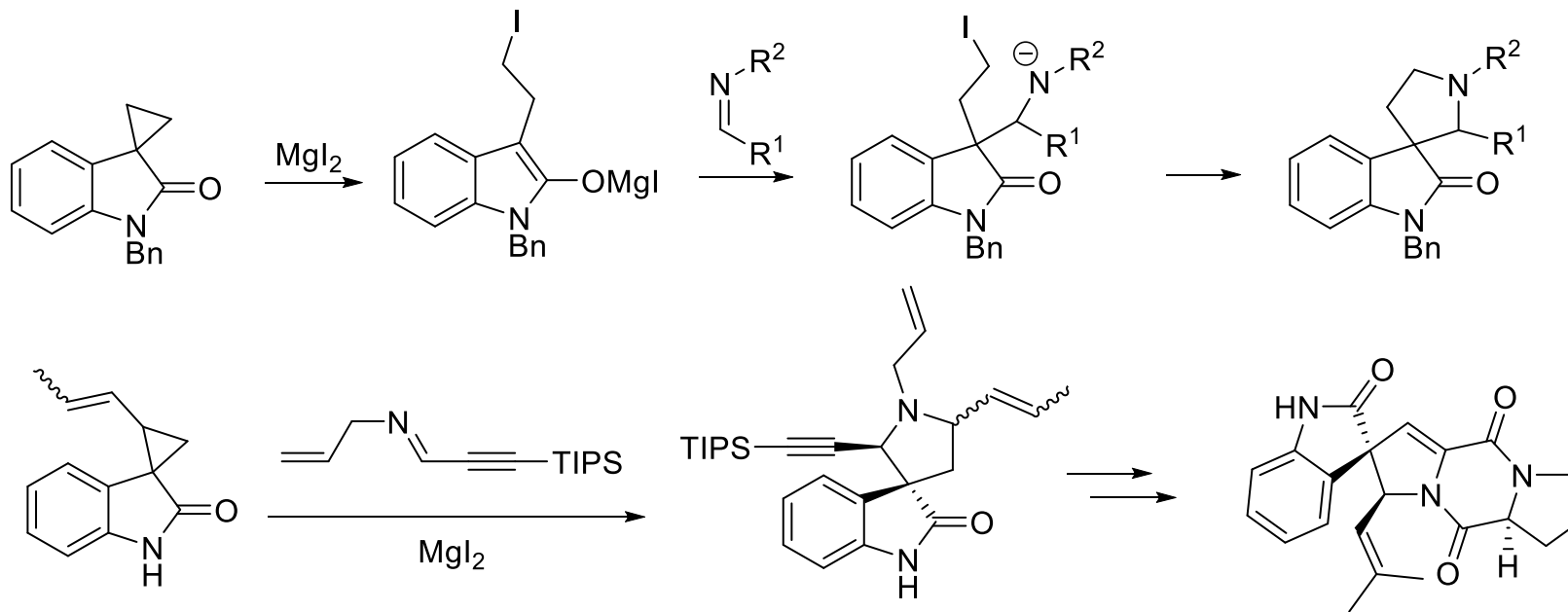
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Trost's synthesis of (+)-horsfiline



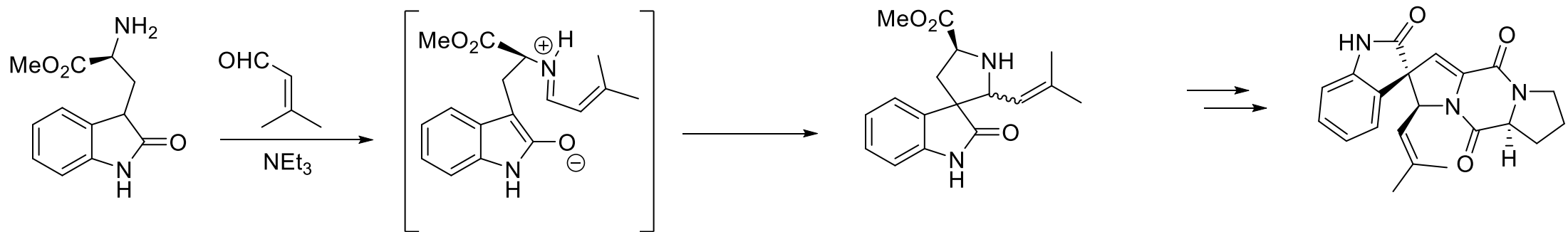
# Ring Expansion

Carreira's synthesis of (-)-spirotryprostatin B



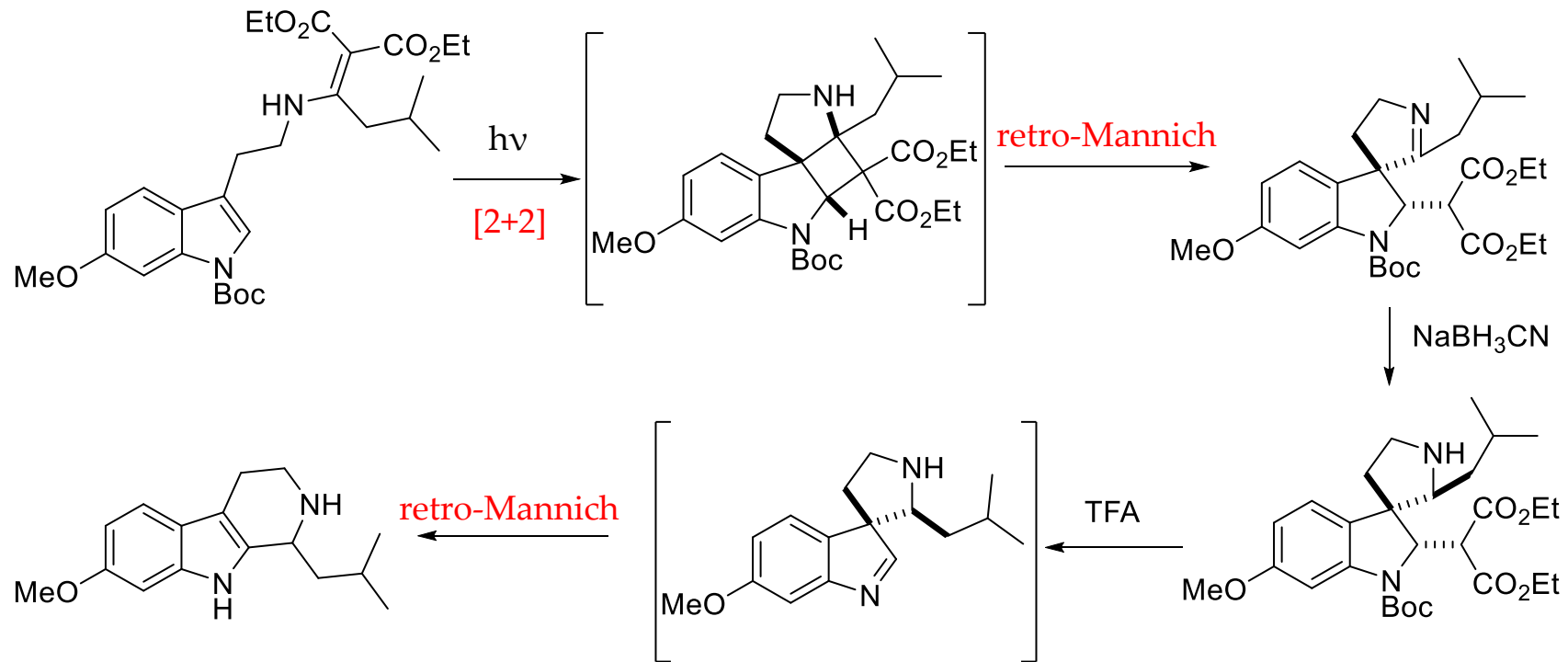
# Mannich Reaction

Danishefsky's synthesis of (-)-spirotryprostatin B



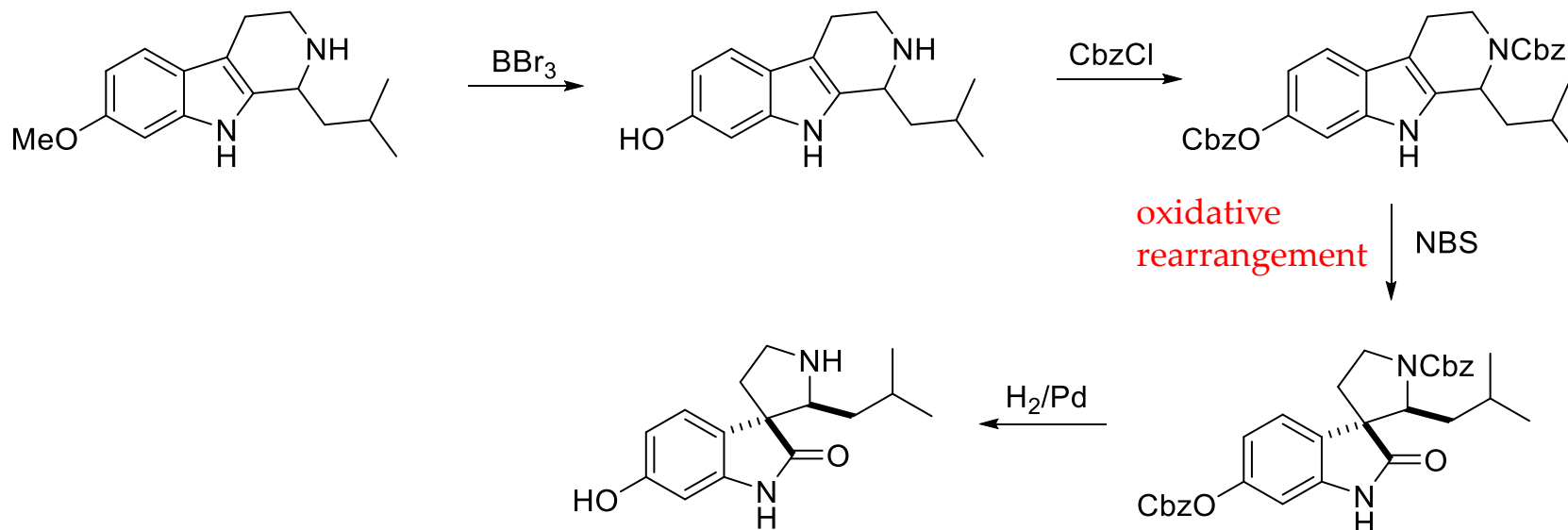
# Retro-Mannich Reaction

White's synthesis of elacomine



# Retro-Mannich Reaction

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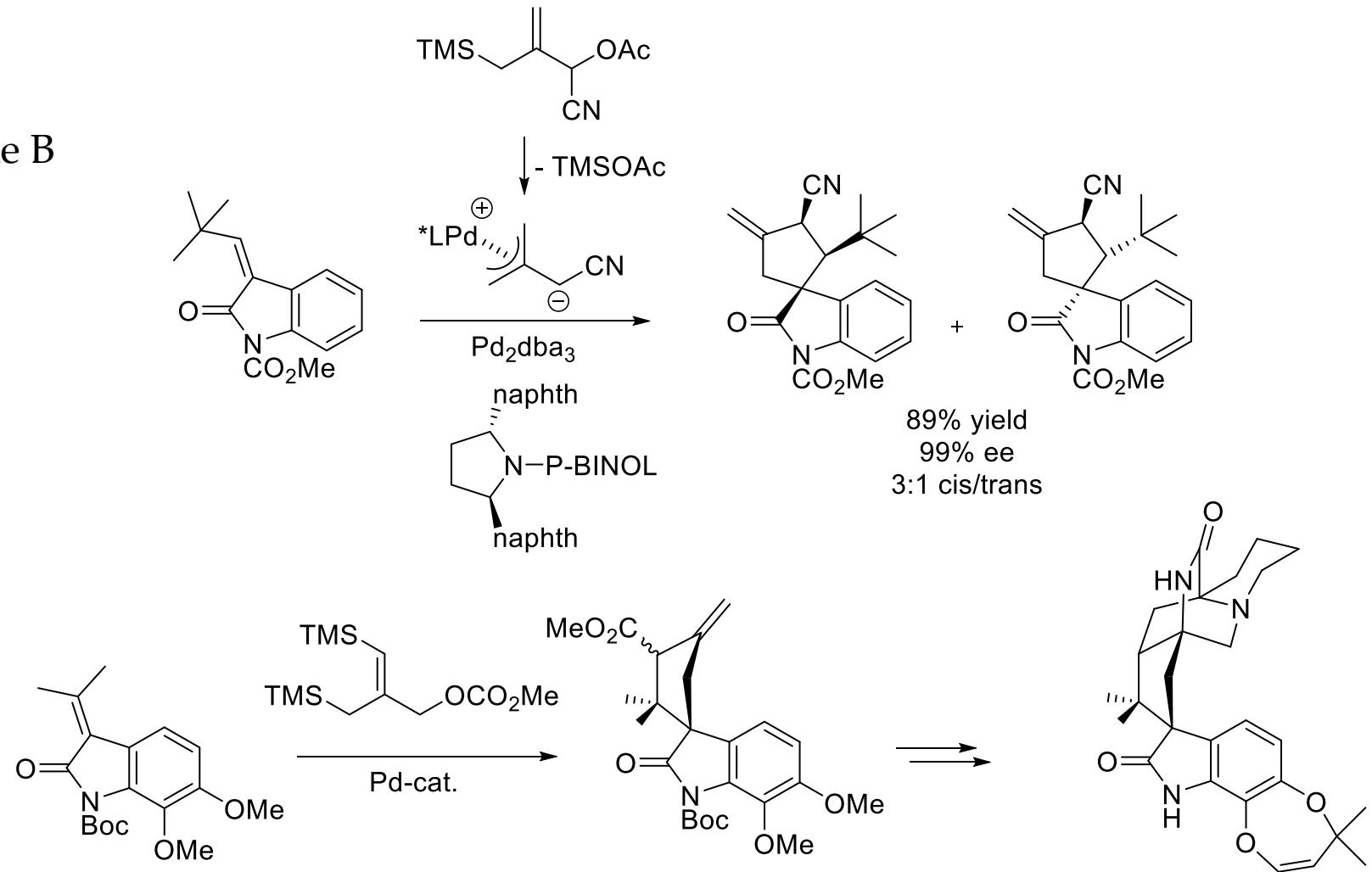


# Conclusion

- Pros
  - Variety of methods
  - Metal-catalyzed processes promising
  - Many more to come...
- Cons
  - Selectivity issue
  - Auxiliary – not atom economic

# Outlook

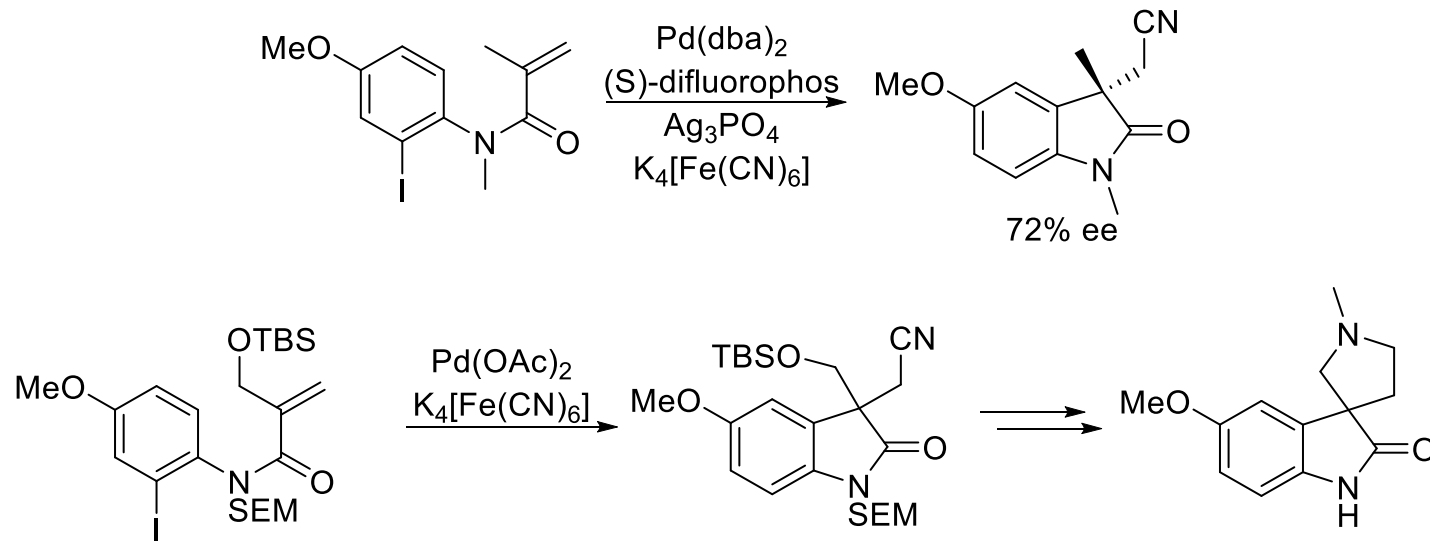
## Trost's synthesis of marcfortine B



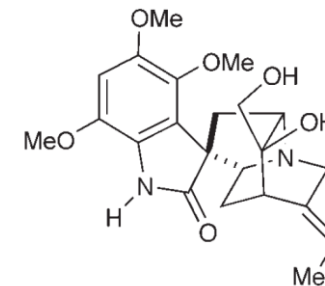
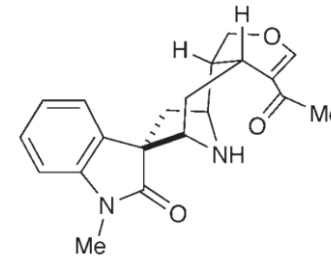
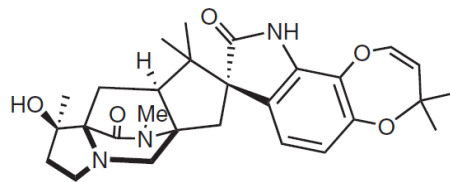
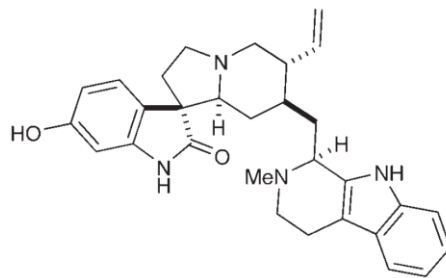


# Outlook

## Zhu's synthesis of horsfiline



# Thank you for your attention



# 1,2,3 triazoles in catalysis

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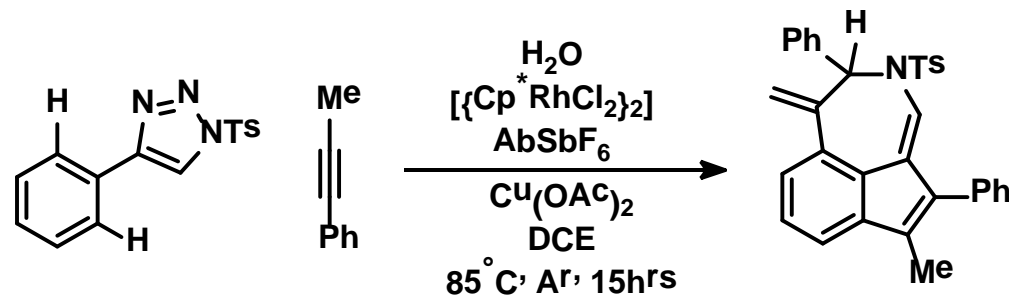
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  - TA-Au(I) and Pyr-TA complexes for hydroamination
  - P-N ligands
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  - Transannulation RhII azavinyl carbenes

# Questions:

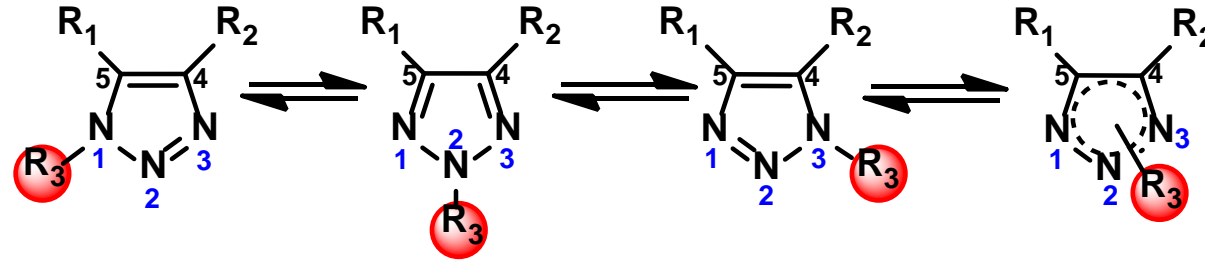
- **Question 1**

*Are 1,2,3-triazoles useful for other than biofunctionalities, bioactivity and/or late stage functionalization?*

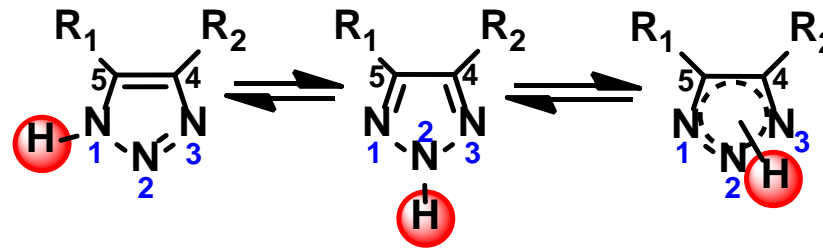
- **Question 2: can you provide a mechanism for this reaction?**



# 1,2,3 Triazoles - a general introduction

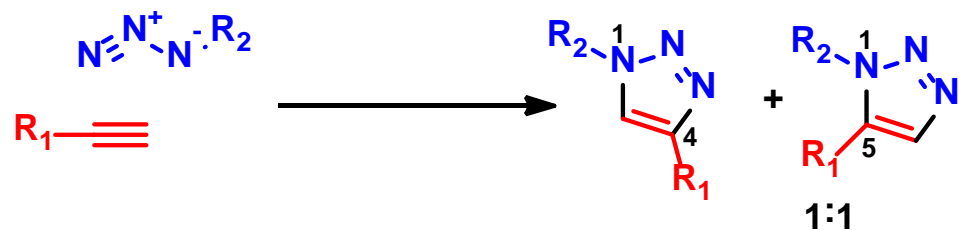


- General formula: C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>3</sub>N<sub>3</sub>
- Thermodynamically tautomers
- Strongly resistant to thermal, oxidative, reductive and hydrolytic conditions
- 6e-heterocycles with aromatic character

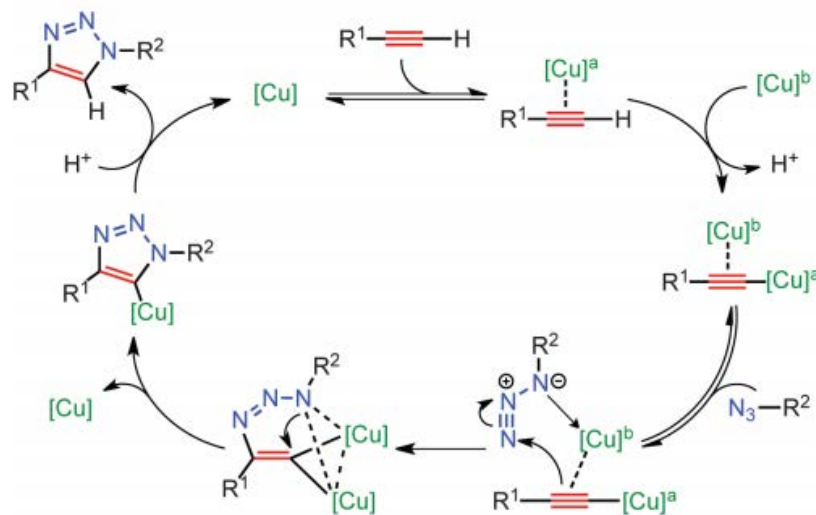
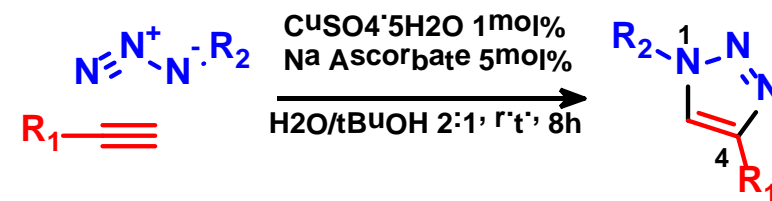


- Spectroscopic <sup>14</sup>N and <sup>15</sup>N NMR data reveal that unsymmetrical 1,2,3-triazoles 4–5 exist in the 2H-tautomer form (70–100%).
- <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>13</sup>C, <sup>15</sup>N and <sup>14</sup>N NMR shifts are identical for the hydrogen and carbon atoms in positions 4 and 5 and nitrogen atoms at positions 1, 2 and 3 of 1,2,3-triazoles for both tautomers
- N-Substituted isomers of 1H and 2H-1,2,3-triazoles can be differentiated based on their polarity.
- the dipole moment of the 1H-isomer is substantially higher than for 2H isomer
- 1,2,3-Triazoles demonstrate amphoteric properties and can behave as a weak base or a weak acid.

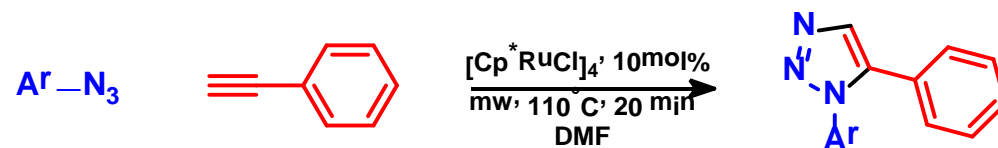
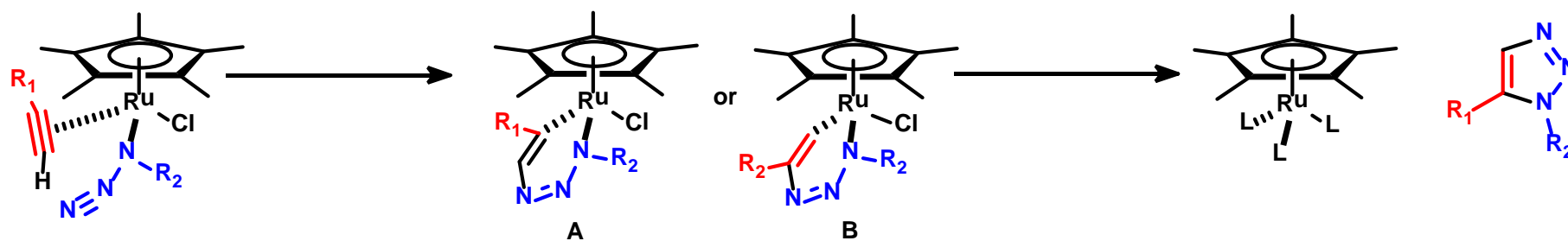
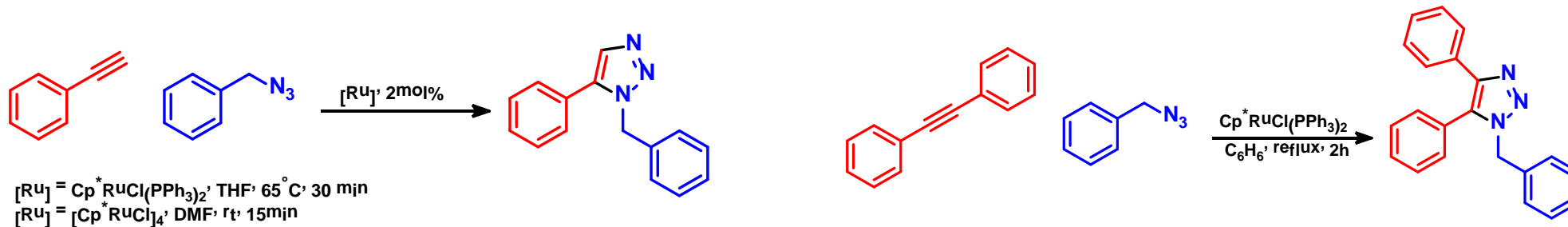
# Synthesis of 1,4 disubstituted triazoles



- Broad scope: all groups on alkyne widely tolerated
- Primary, secondary, tertiary and aromatic azides participated in the reaction
- **1,4 regioselective**

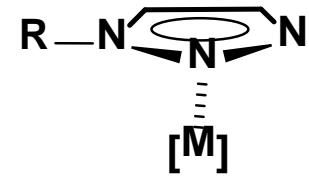


# Synthesis of 1,5 disubstituted triazoles

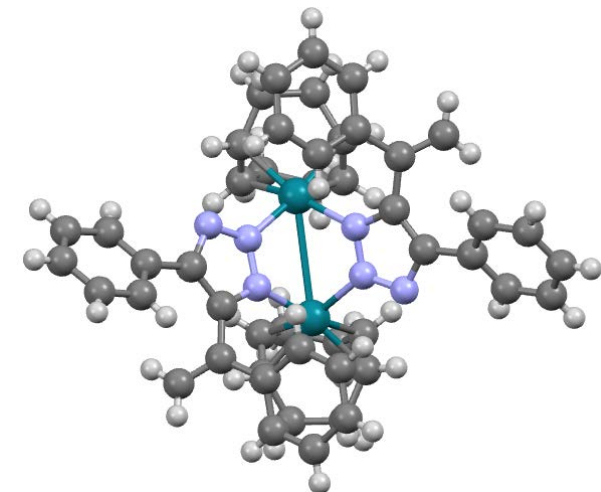
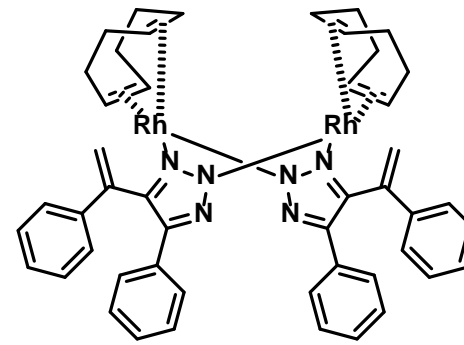
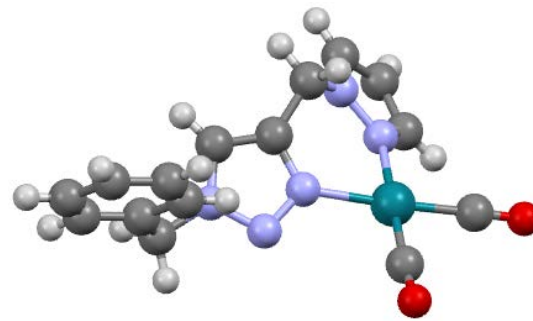
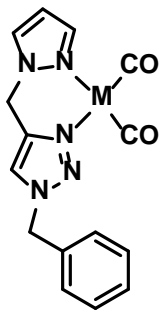
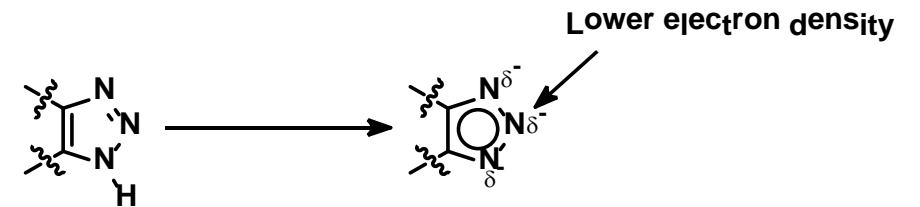
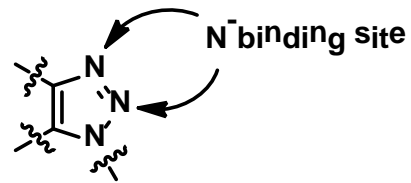




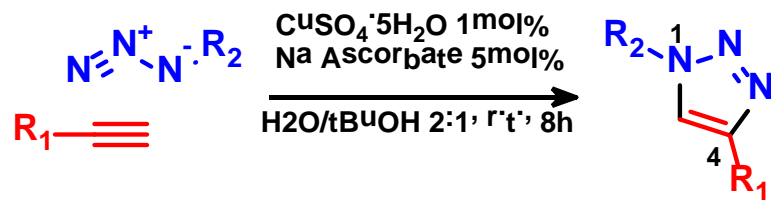
# 1,2,3 triazoles as ligands in catalysis



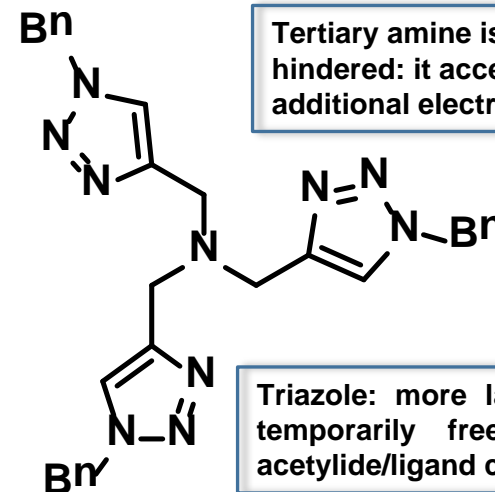
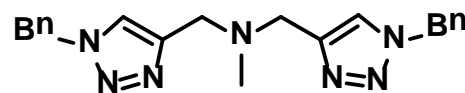
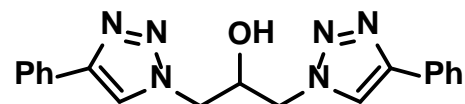
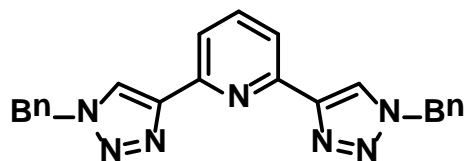
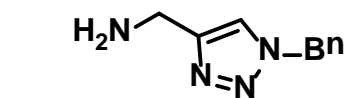
- The strength of metal-N bond ( $sp^2$ -hybridized nitrogen) depends from the degree of  $\sigma$ -covalency and  $\pi$ -back bonding effect
- Established coordinative properties
- Strong dipole moment



# Polytriazoles as Cu(I)-stabilizing Ligands



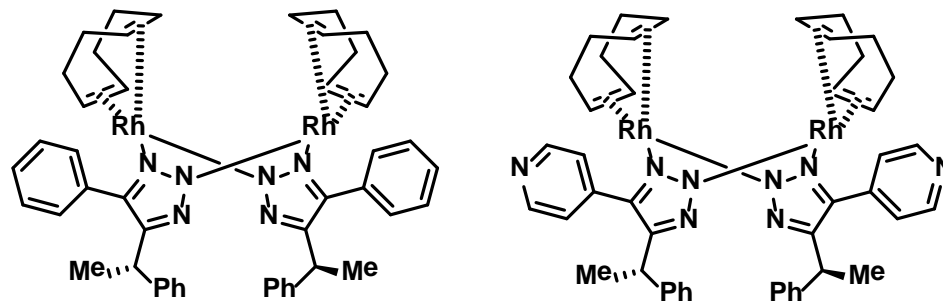
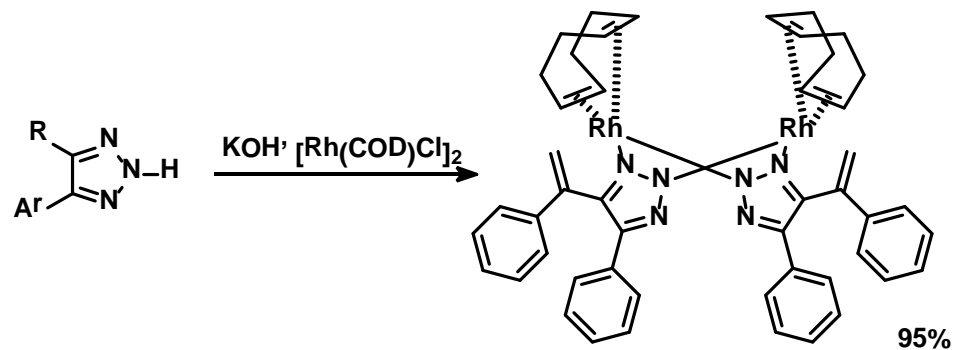
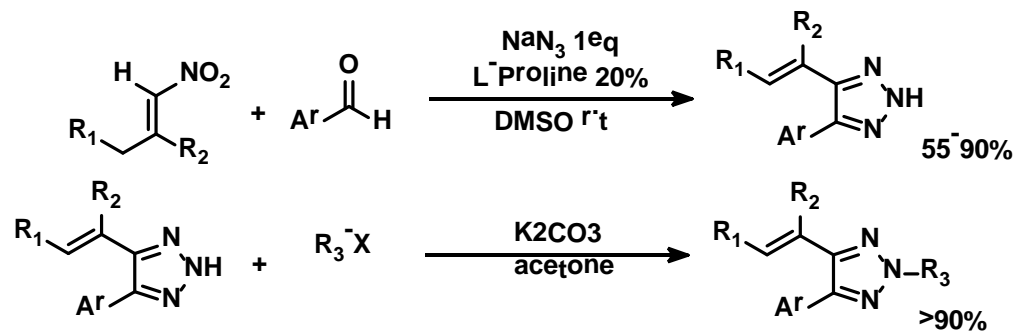
- soft ligands such as guanidines, imines, thiols, nitriles... are too labile (compromise the redox stability of the metal center) or too strong (copper catalytic activity is completely suppressed)



Tertiary amine is more basic and sterically hindered: it accelerates the catalysis providing additional electron density

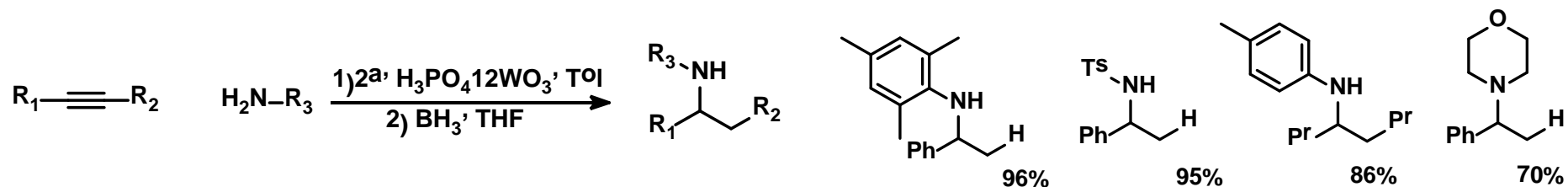
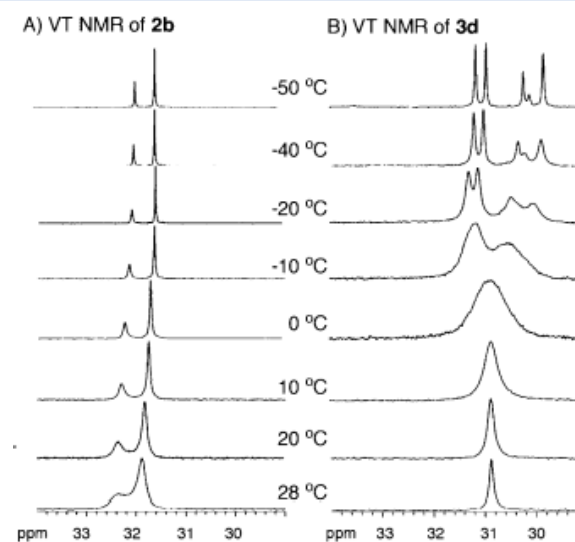
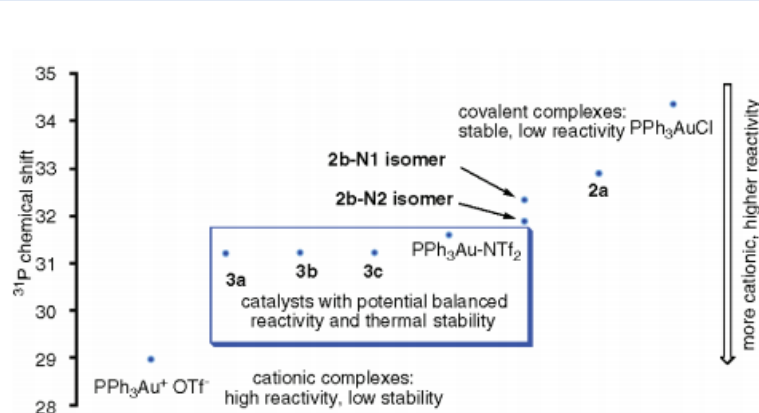
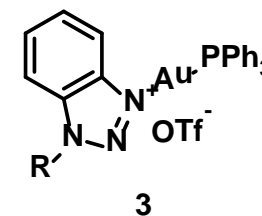
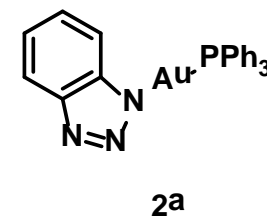
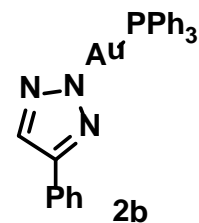
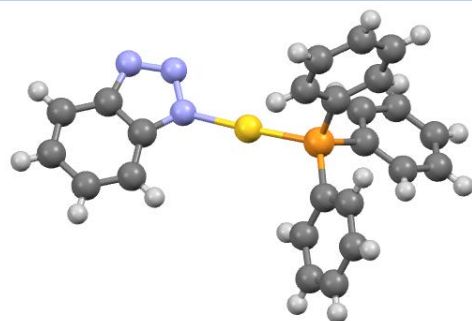
Triazole: more labile, the metal center is temporarily free to form the copper-acetylide/ligand complex

# NH-Triazole Rh complex



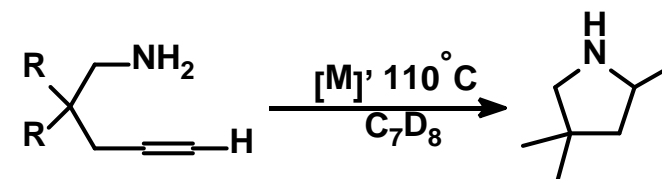
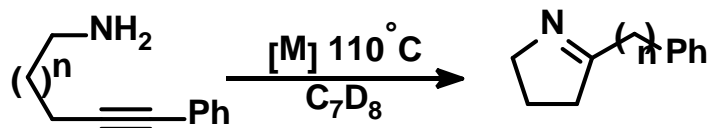
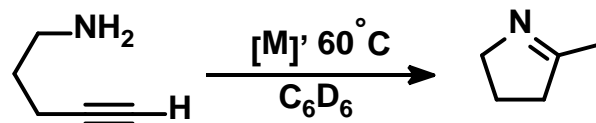


# TA-Au(I) complexes for intermolecular alkyne hydroamination





# Pyrazolil-TA mixed ligands for intramolecular alkyne hydroamination

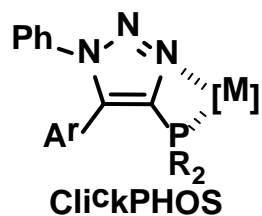


		n = 1, PyT (1a)	
		TOF <sup>b</sup> (h <sup>-1</sup> )	Time (h) at >98% Conv.
Rh	Ph—C≡C—(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>n</sub> —NH <sub>2</sub> <b>8a</b>	>172 <sup>c</sup>	0.5
	Ph—C≡C—(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>n</sub> —NH <sub>2</sub> <b>8b</b>	144	2.4
Ir	Ph—C≡C—(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>n</sub> —NH <sub>2</sub> <b>8a</b>	>186 <sup>c</sup>	0.5
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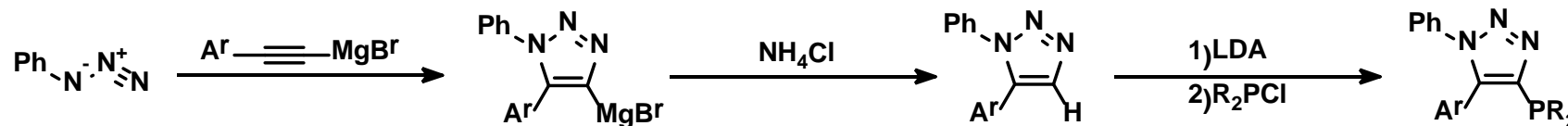
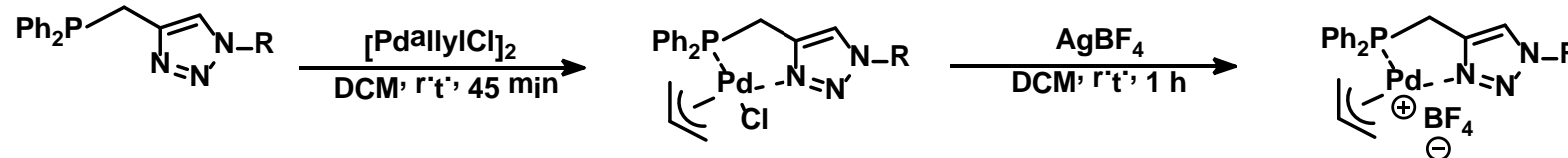
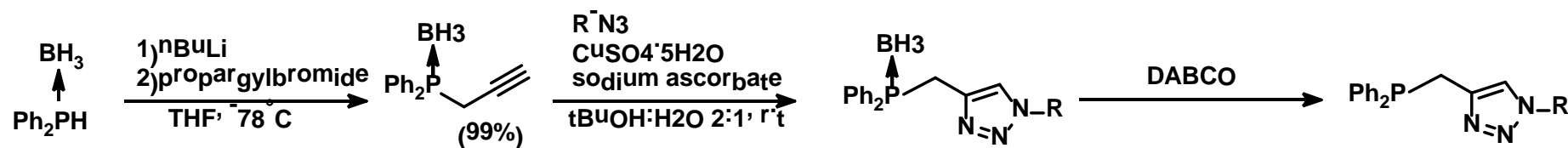
		n = 1, PyT (1a)		
		TOF <sup>b</sup> (h <sup>-1</sup> )	% Conv. at 5 h	% Conv. at 40 h
Rh		1.6 <sup>b</sup>	40	74
		4.6 <sup>b</sup>	72	93 (22 h)
		9.5 <sup>c</sup>	75	>98 (22 h)
Ir		6.3	69	96
		16	71	92
		7.5	75	98

- The efficiency varied significantly even with subtle changes to the ligand donor set
- Formation of side product is largely reduced to a minimum
- New Py-TA ligands exhibit better reactivity than NHCs, Pyrazolil-Imidazole and Phos ligands already in use.

# Clickphine and ClickPhos: a new P,N ligand class



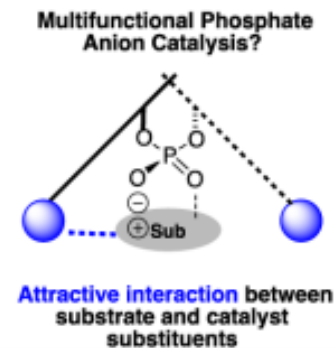
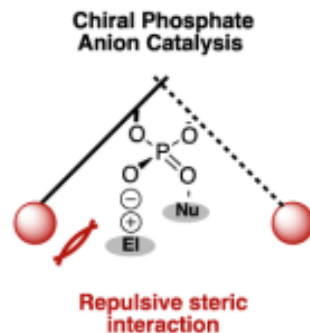
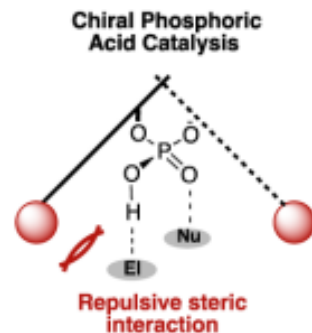
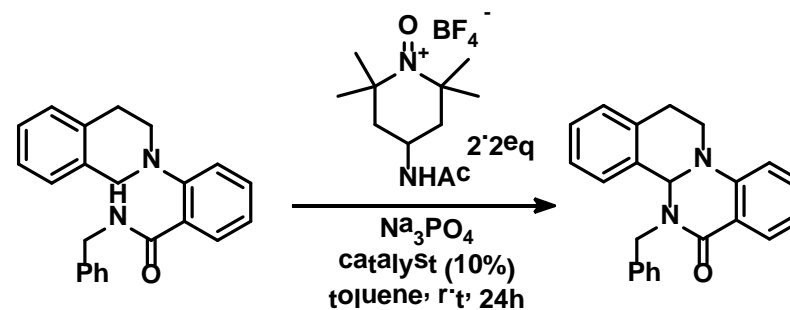
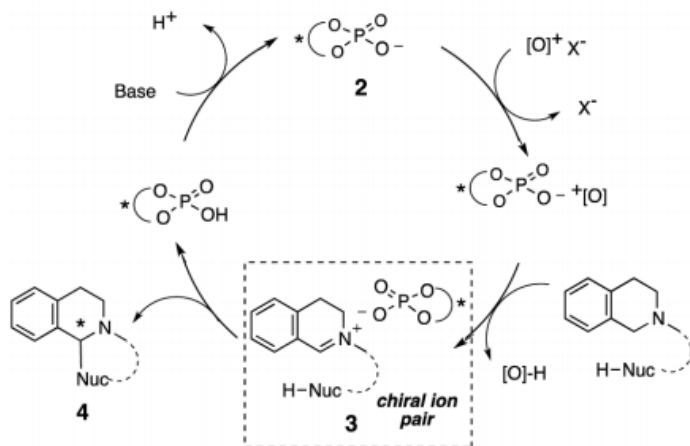
- Bidentate P,N-type ligands are well known and applied in chemistry
- Possibility of individual tuning of the substituent
- Easiness of preparation



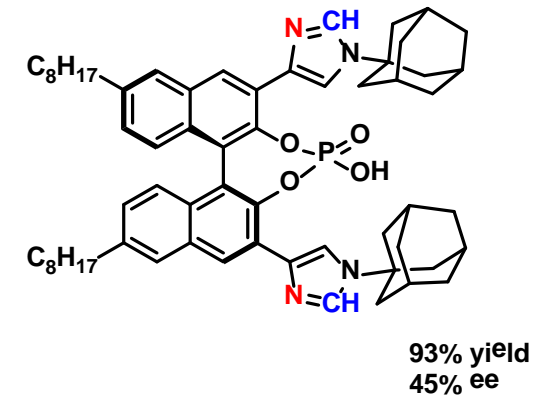
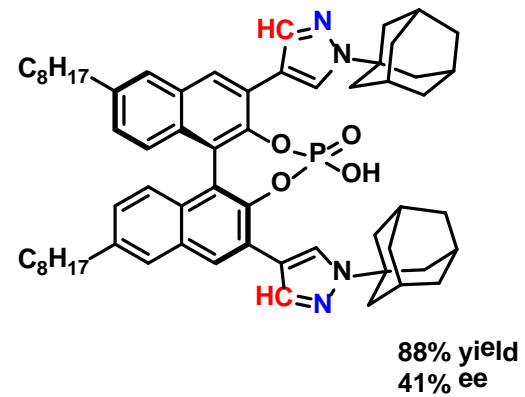
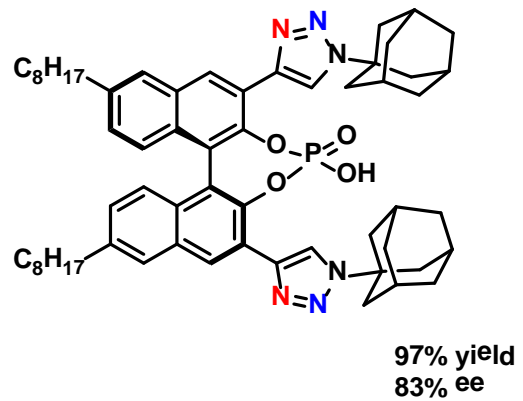
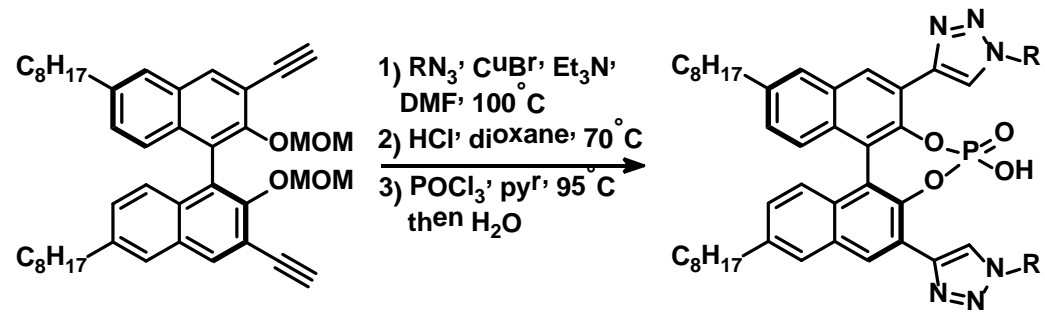


# Chiral TA-Phosphoric acids for CDC

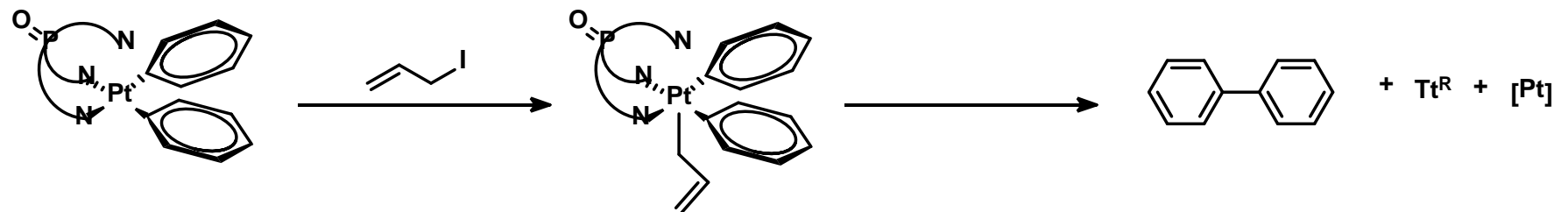
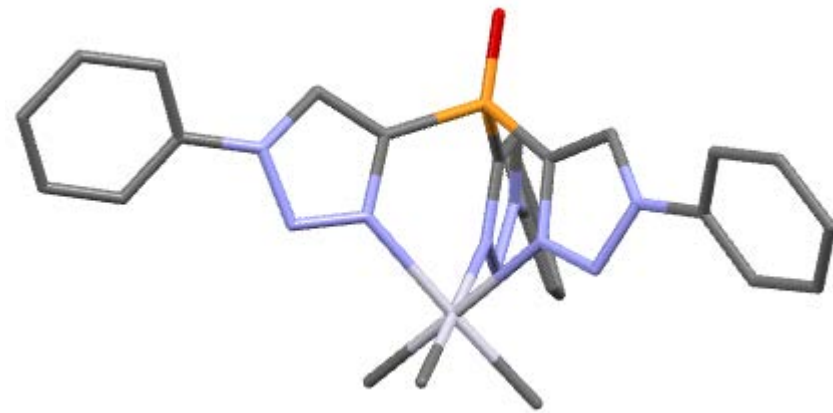
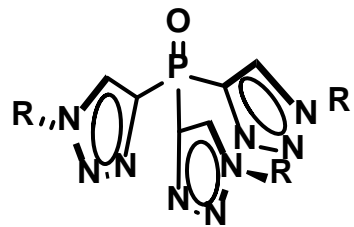
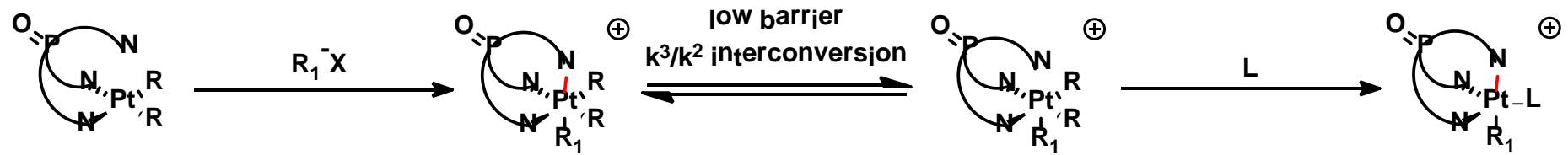
- Chiral phosphate could undergo anion exchange with a cationic oxidant ensuring that the phosphate would be in close proximity to form a tight ion-pair
- Preferential attack on one of the prochiral faces would provide an enantioenriched product
- amine-tethered tetrahydroisoquinoline, oxoammonium salt and various conventionally axially chiral PAs gave no results



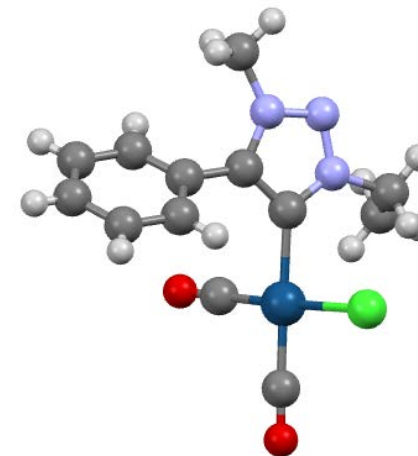
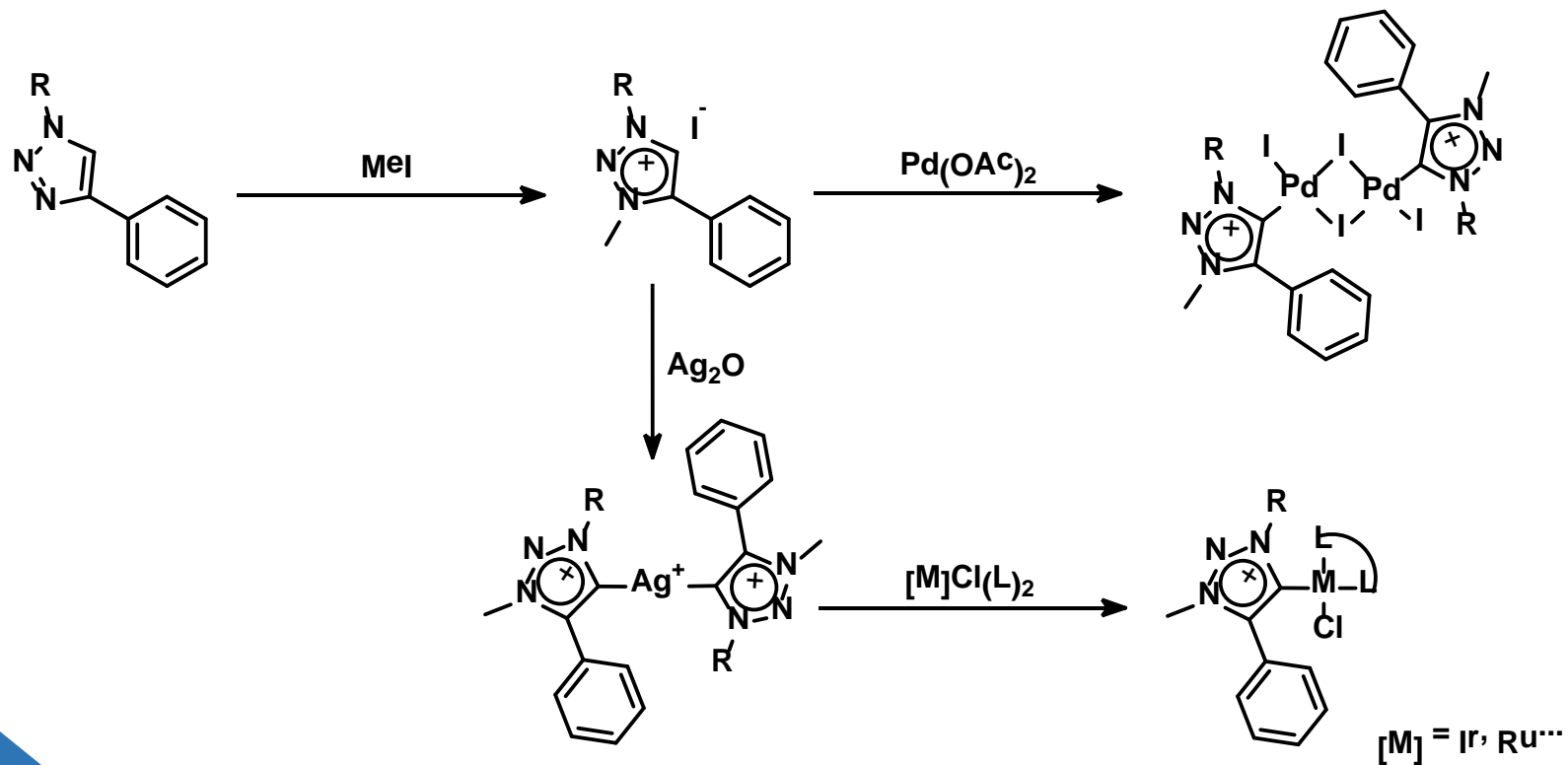
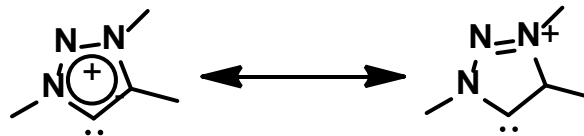
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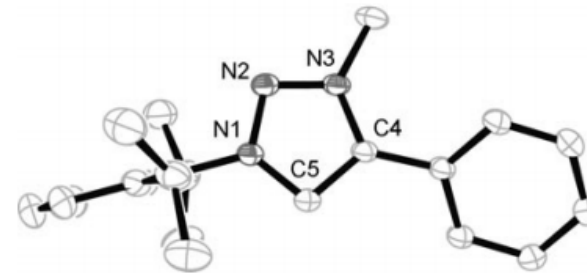
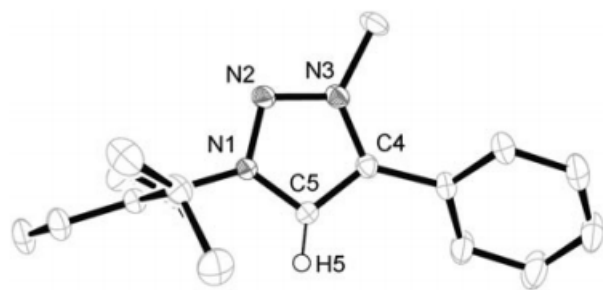
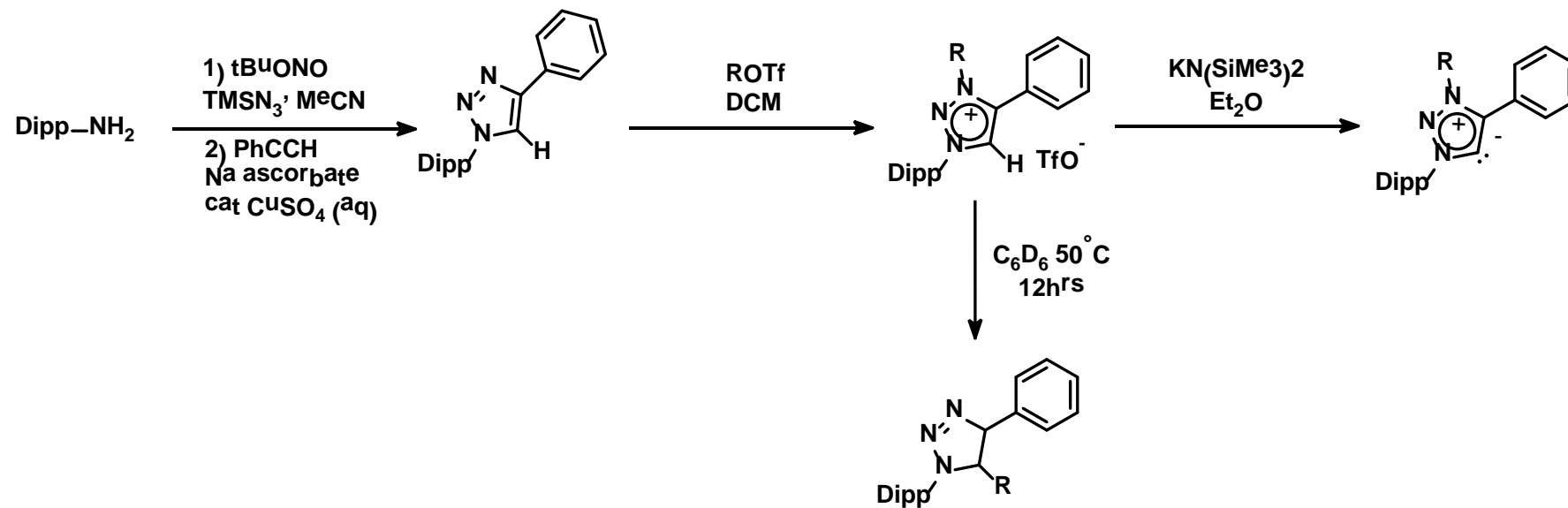
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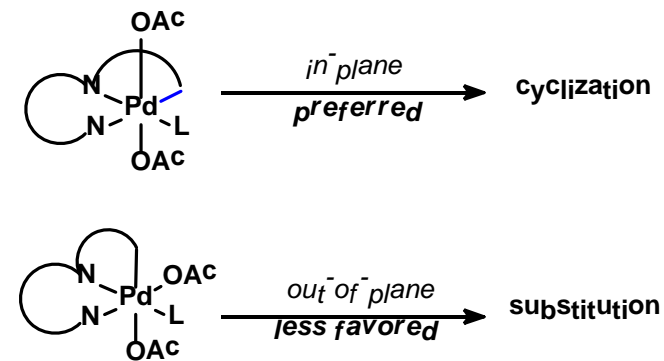
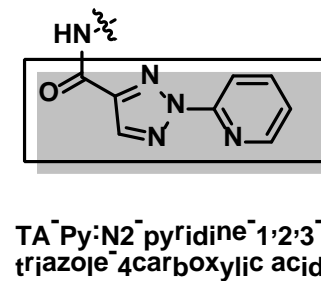
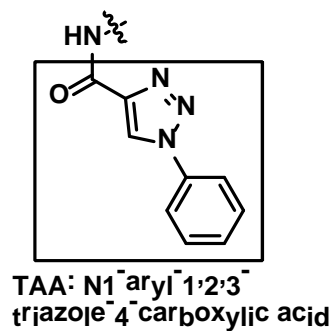
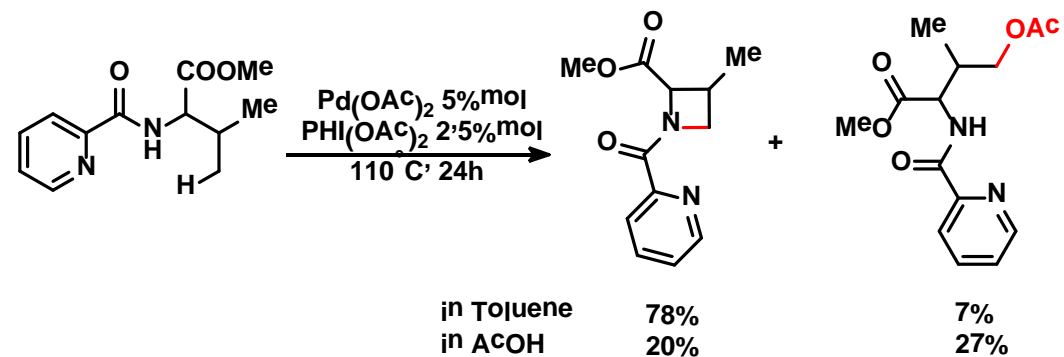
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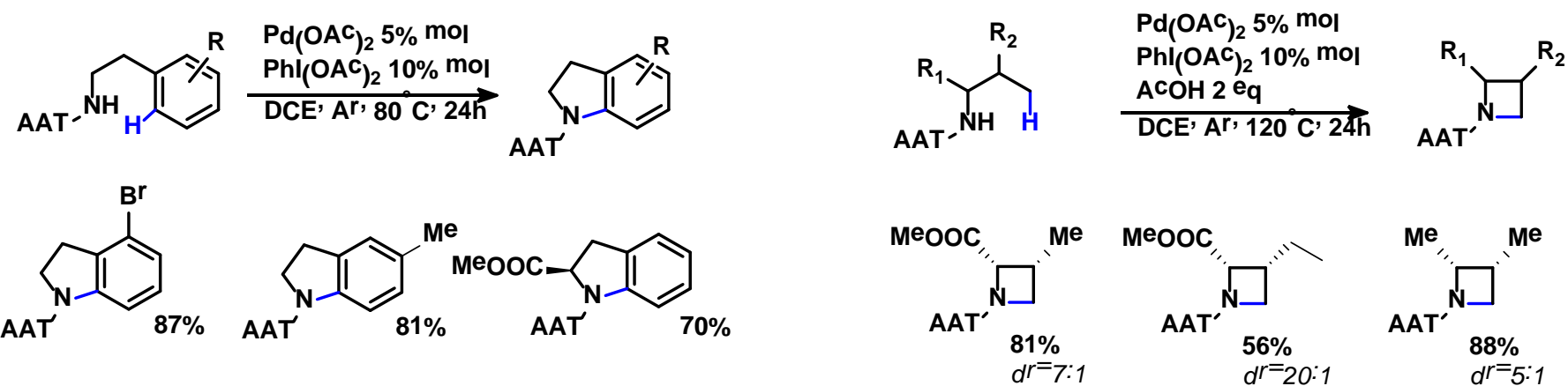
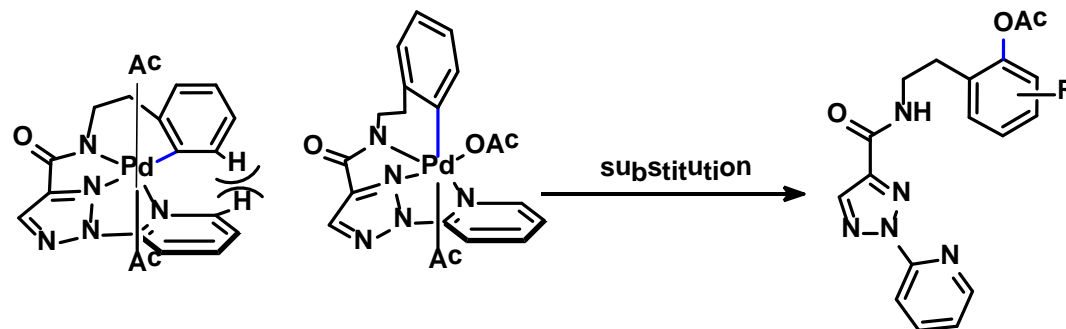
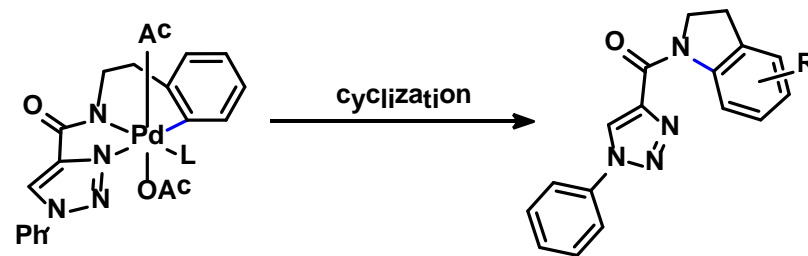
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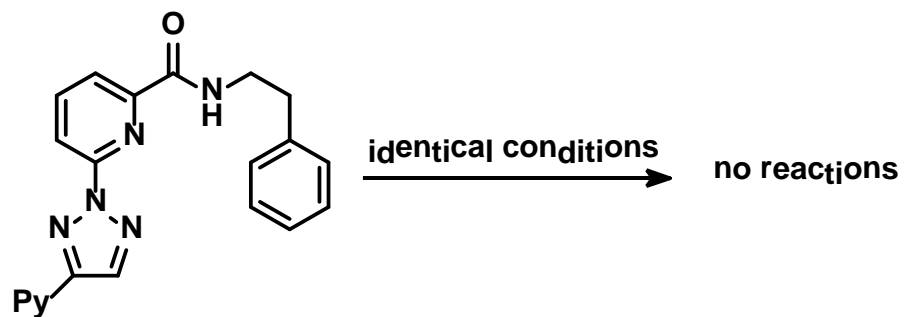
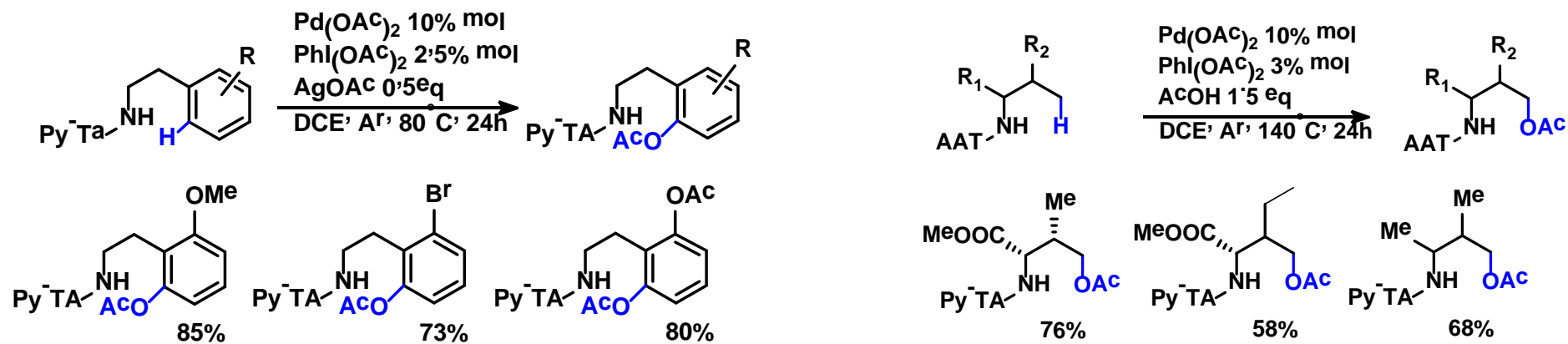
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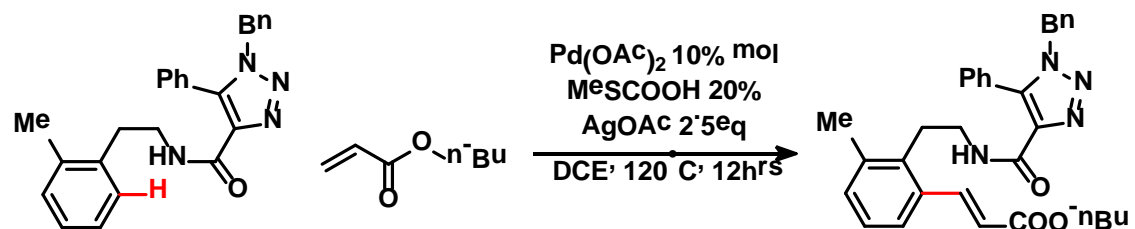
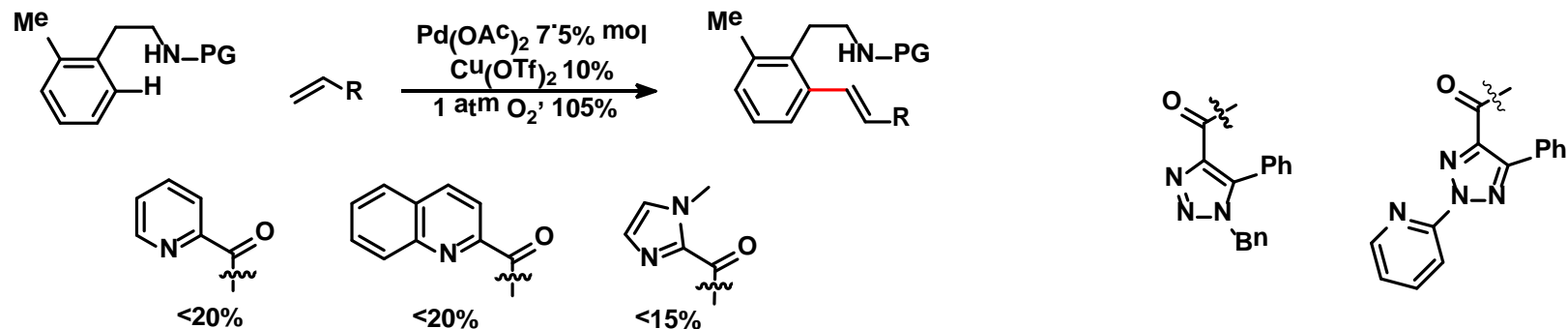
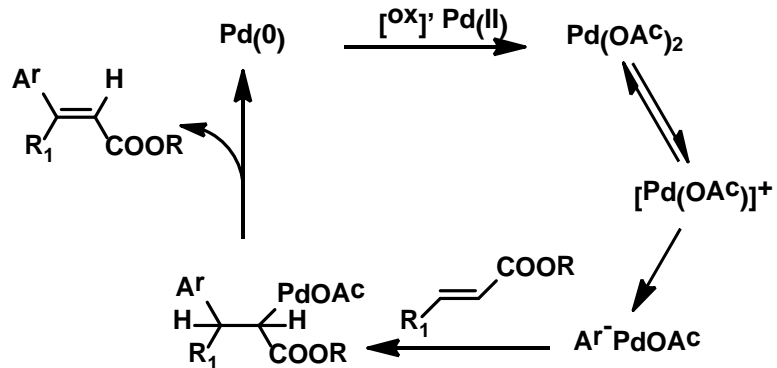


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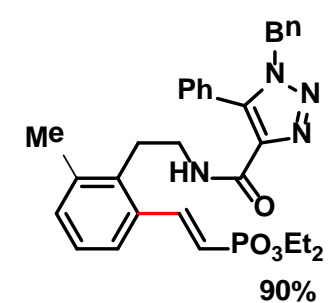
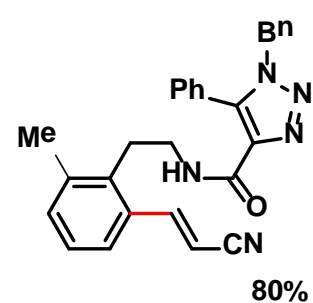
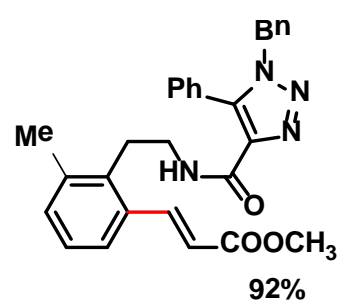
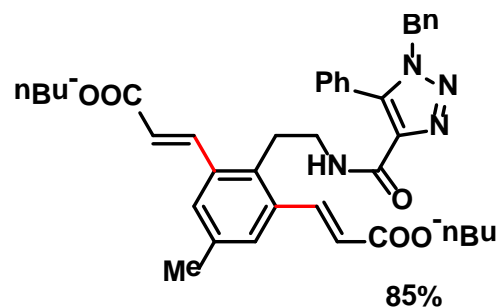
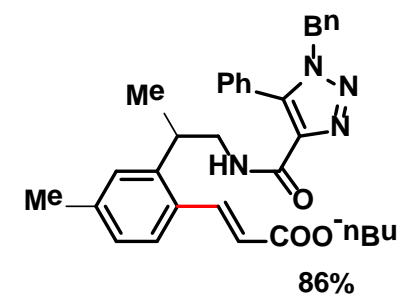
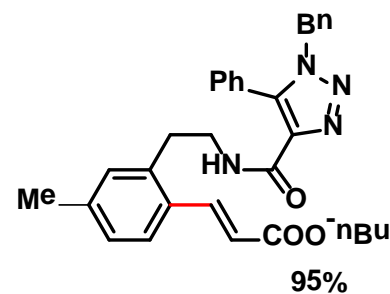
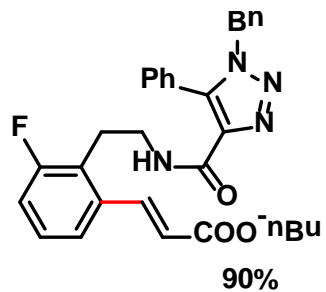
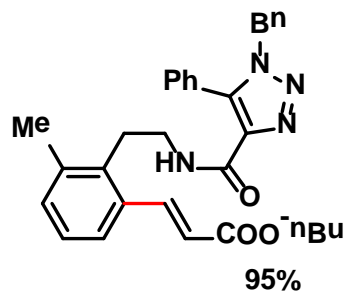
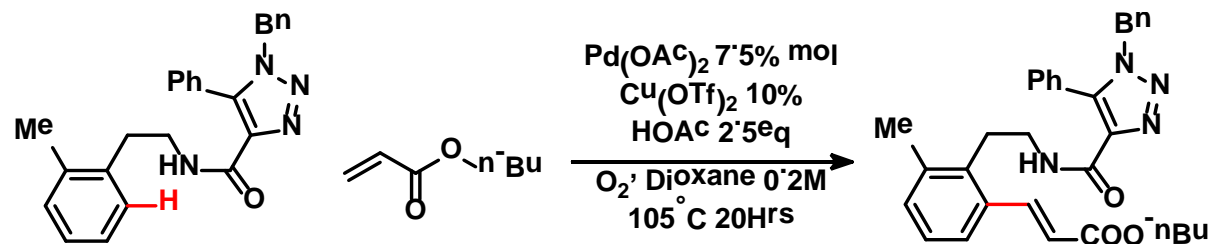




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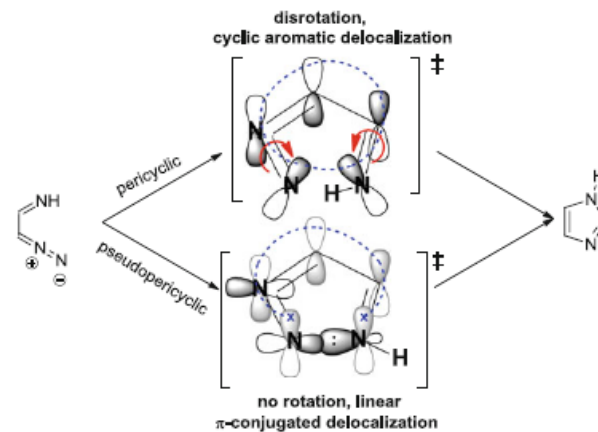
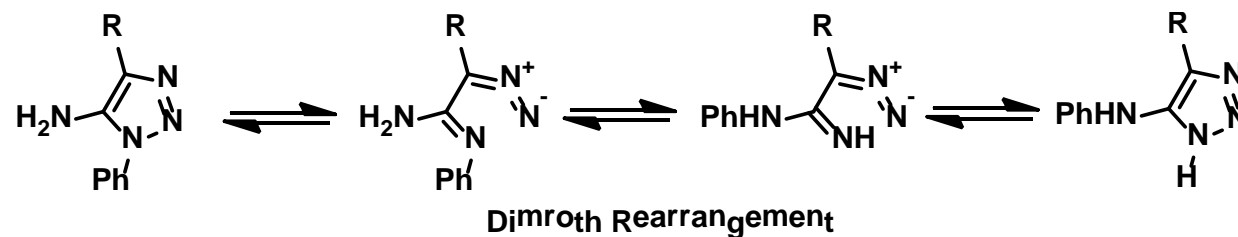


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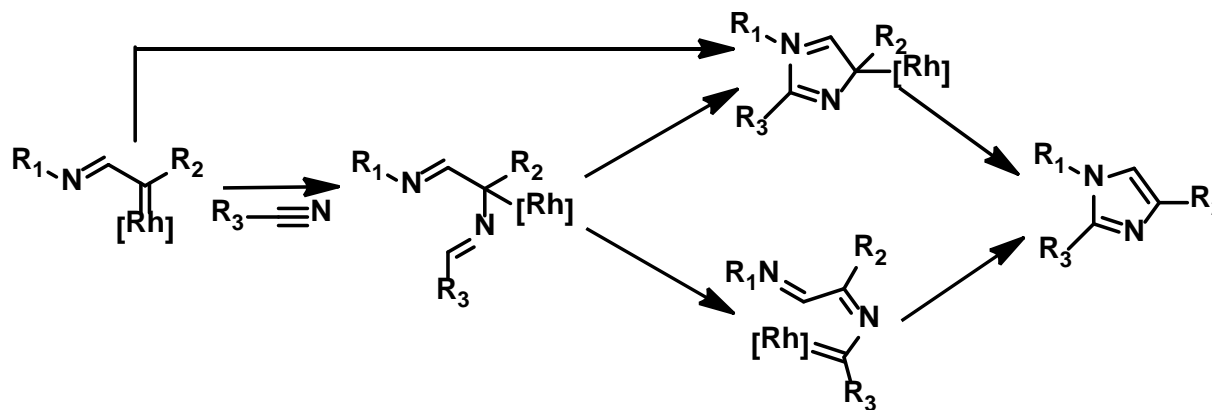
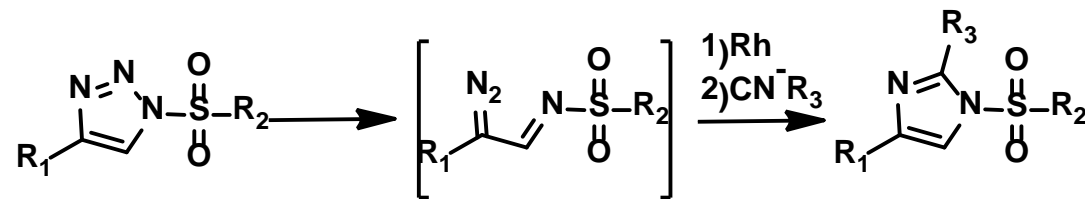
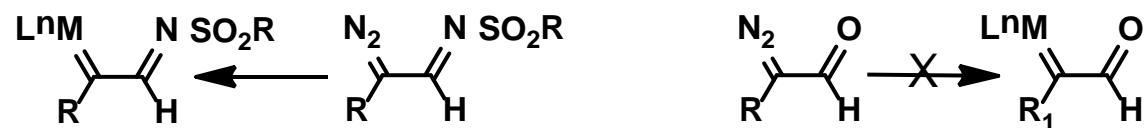
# 1,2,3 triazoles as heterocycles precursors

- Broad spectrum of biological activities
- Triazole core should be an extremely robust heterocyclic unit, thus most of the relative chemistry revolves around its functionalization

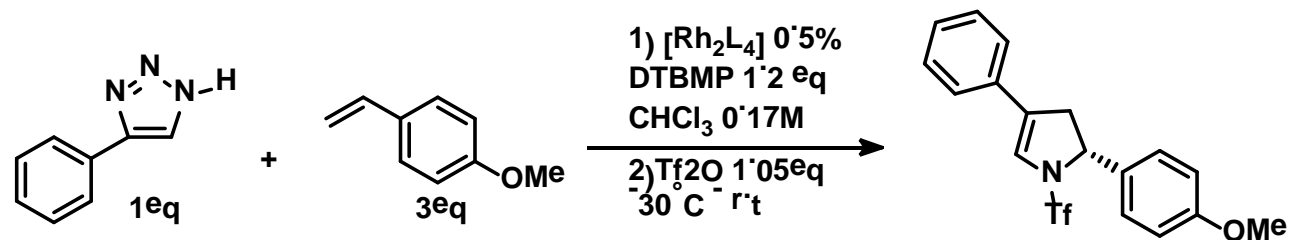


- 1,2,3 triazoles (in solution) exist in a closed/opened form equilibrium with their diazocompounds
- This equilibrium is depending from solvent, temperature and nature of the substituents: halogen or EWG on 4 and 5 position push the equilibrium toward the diazoform, which could be explained in terms of non bonding repulsion between the lone pair of electron on the the halogen and nitrogen atom in the periposition
- weak N1–N2 weak bond

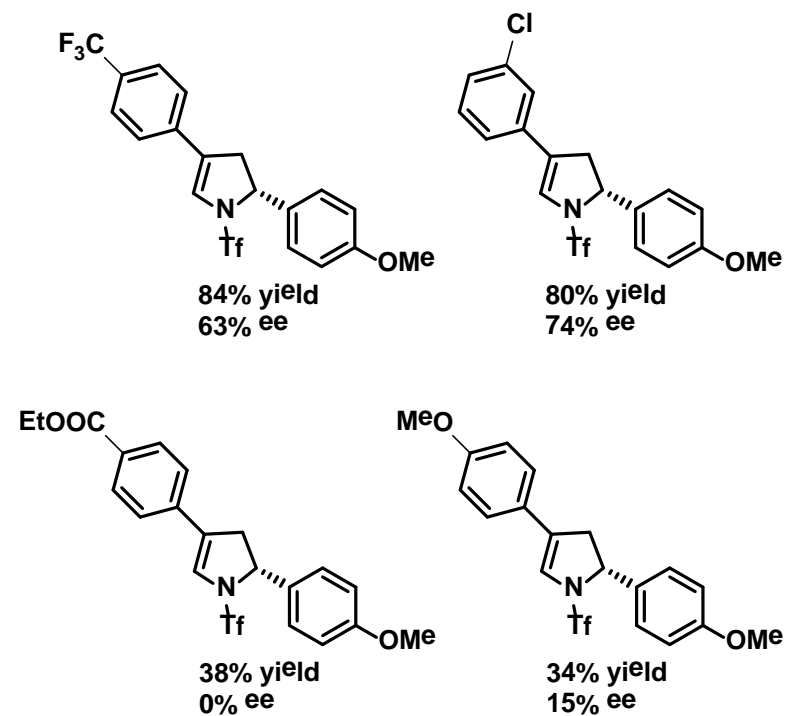
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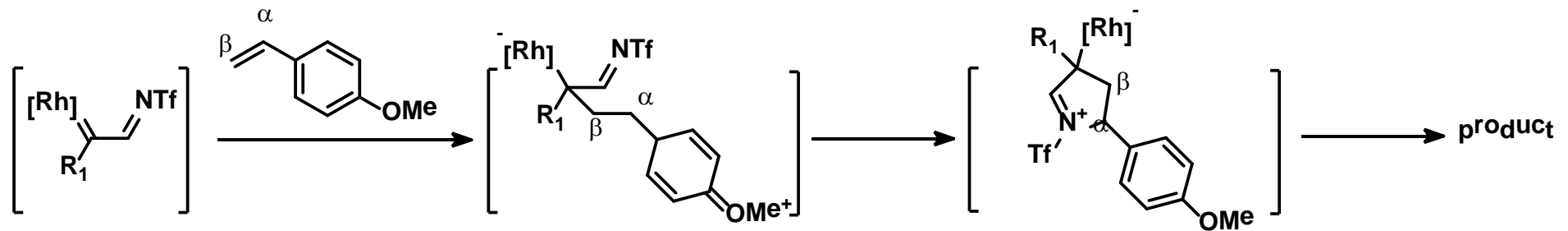
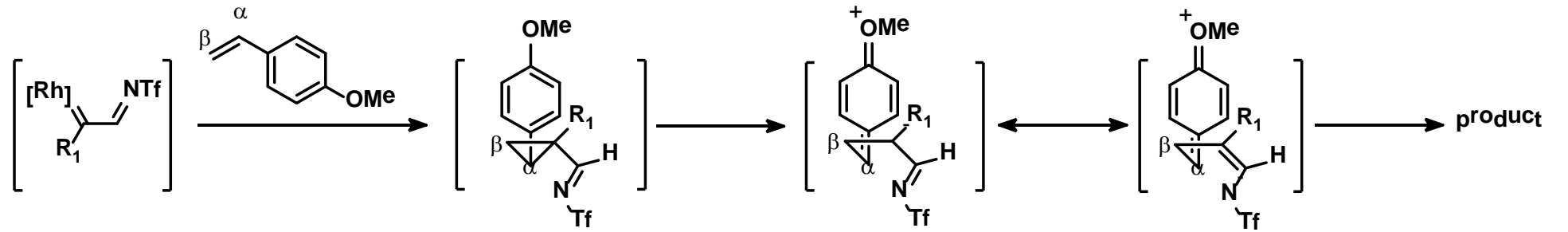
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2	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-NTL})_4]$	74	20
3	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-NTPA})_4]$	67	44
4	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-NTV})_4]$	61	55
5	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-NTTL})_4]$	92	72
6	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-4-Br-NTTL})_4]$	40	70
7	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-PTTL})_4]$	15	46
8	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-TFPTTL})_4]$	56	70
9	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-4-Me-PTTL})_4]$	34	66
10	$[\text{Rh}_2(\text{S-BPTTL})_4]$	33	64



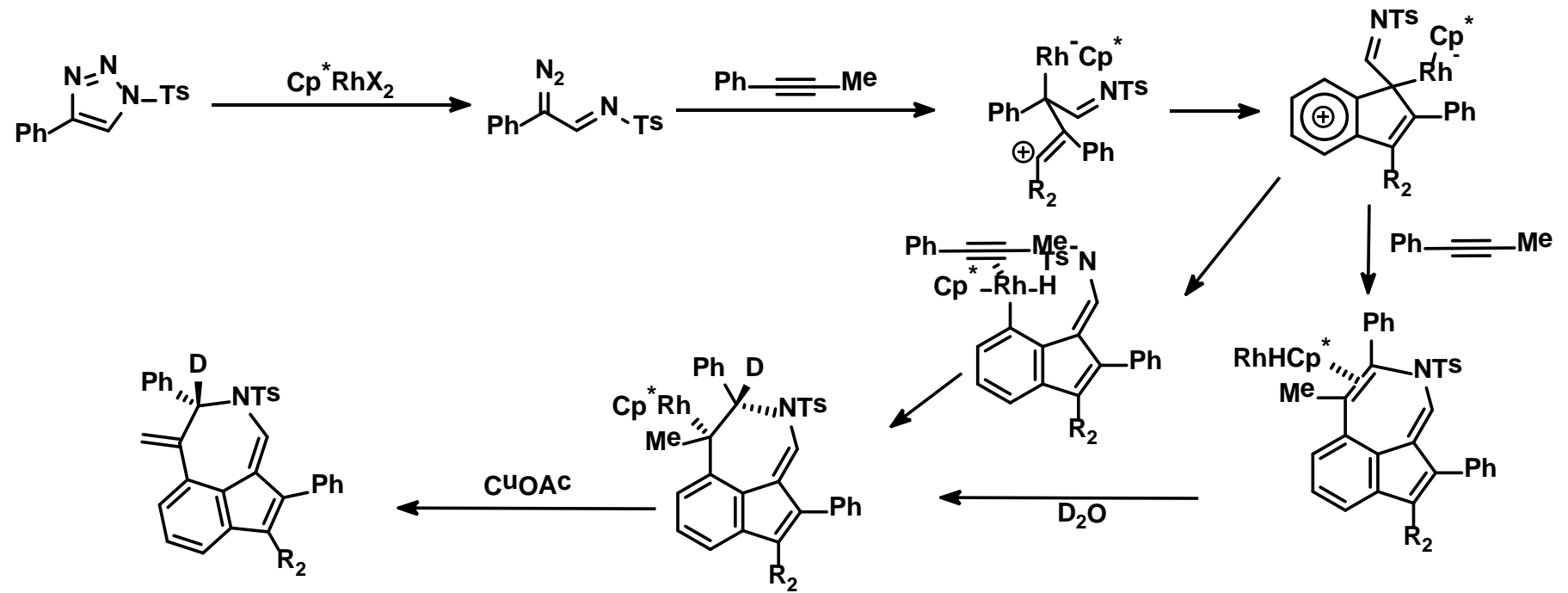
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**Thanks for your attention!**

# Answer:





# L-Histidine, a «passe-partout» organocatalyst

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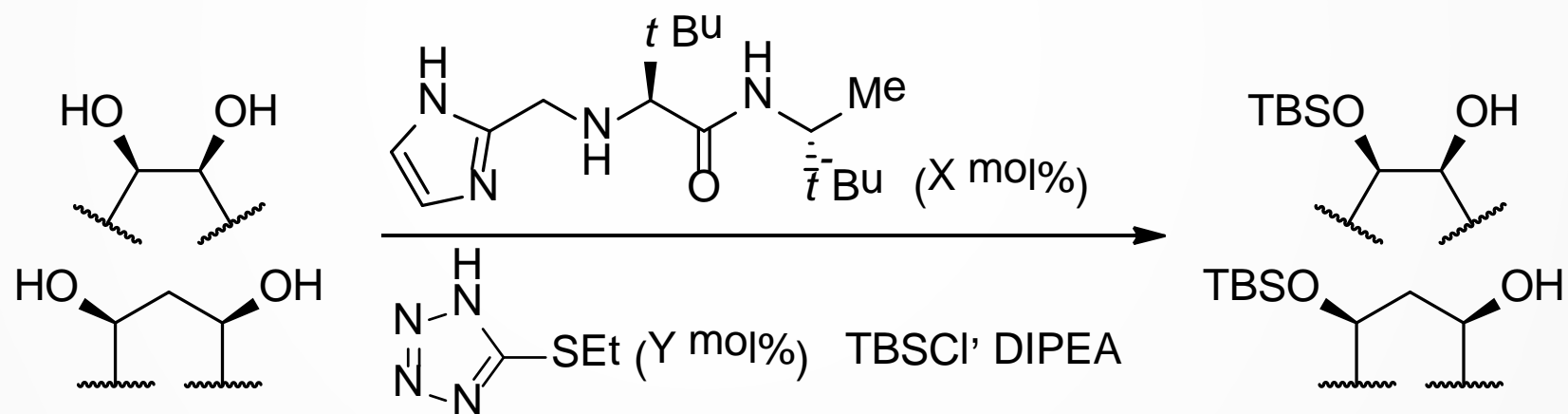
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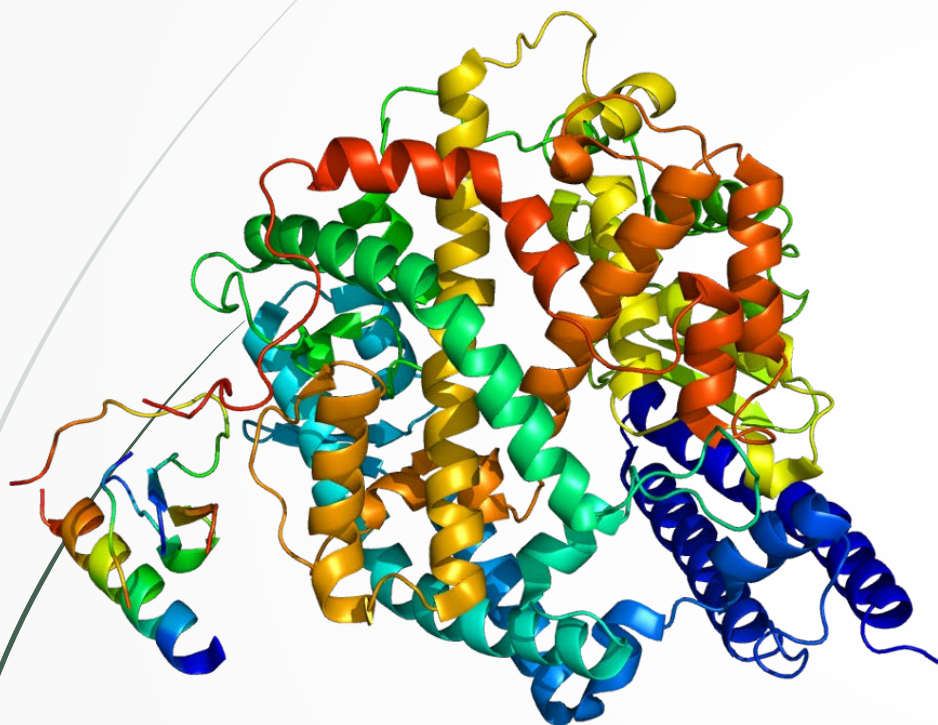
## Questions

What are advantages of small peptide catalysts over enzymes ?

Can you explain the role of the co-catalyst in this reaction ?



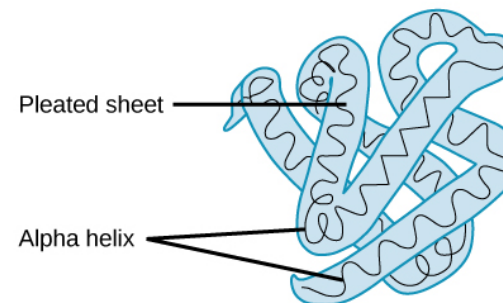
# Once upon a time...



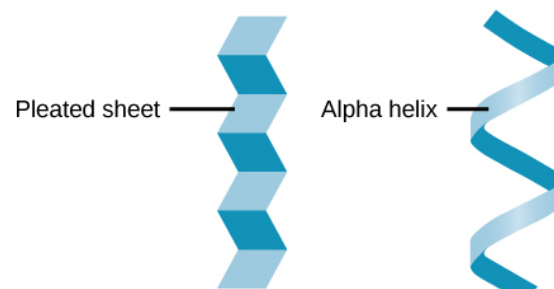
Angiotensin-converting enzyme 2



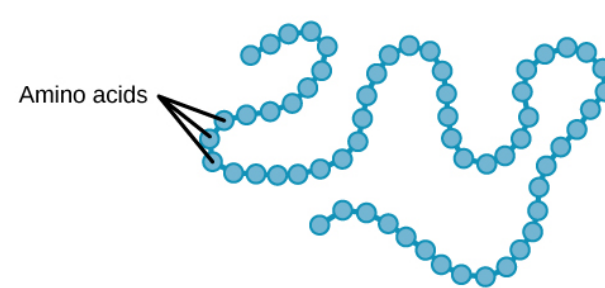
**Quaternary protein structure**  
protein consisting of more than one amino acid chain



**Tertiary protein structure**  
three-dimensional folding pattern of a protein due to side chain interactions

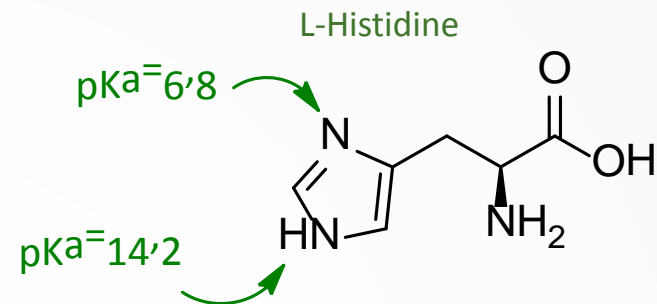
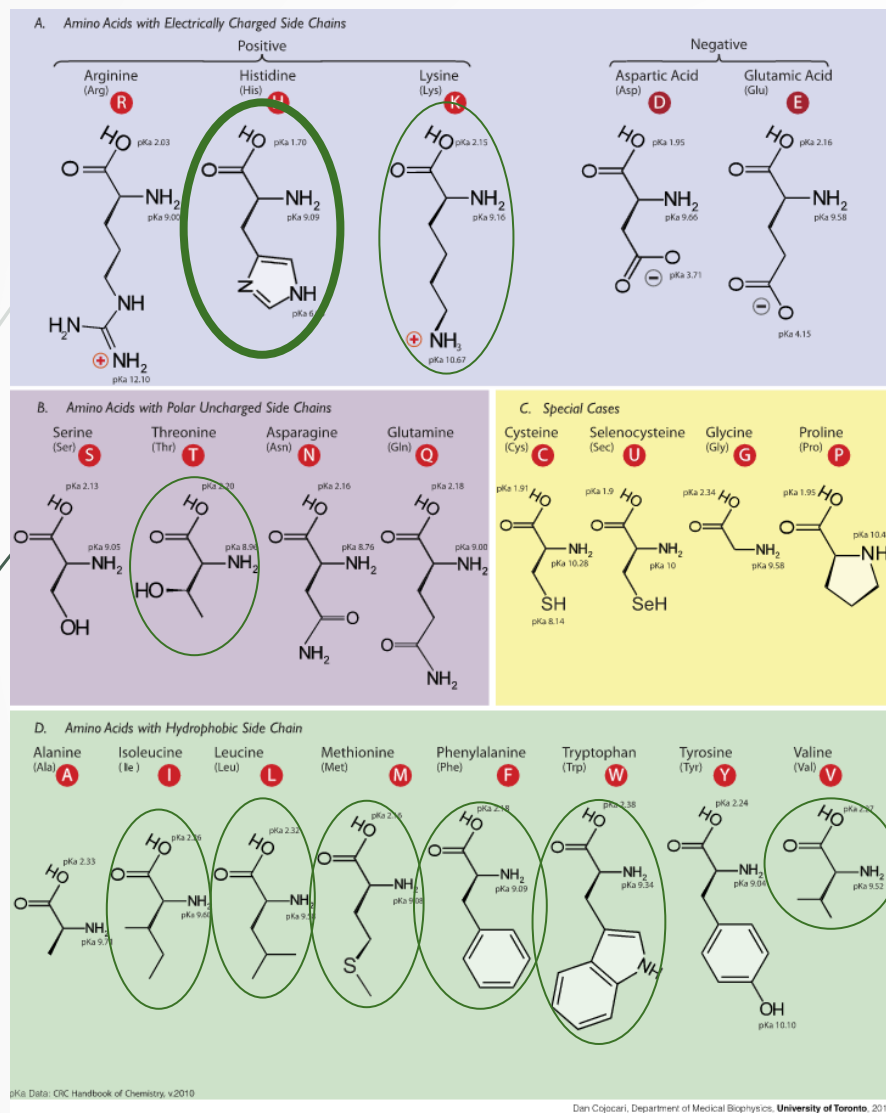


**Secondary Protein structure**  
hydrogen bonding of the peptide backbone causes the amino acids to fold into a repeating pattern



**Primary Protein structure**  
sequence of a chain of amino acids

## ...L-Histidine

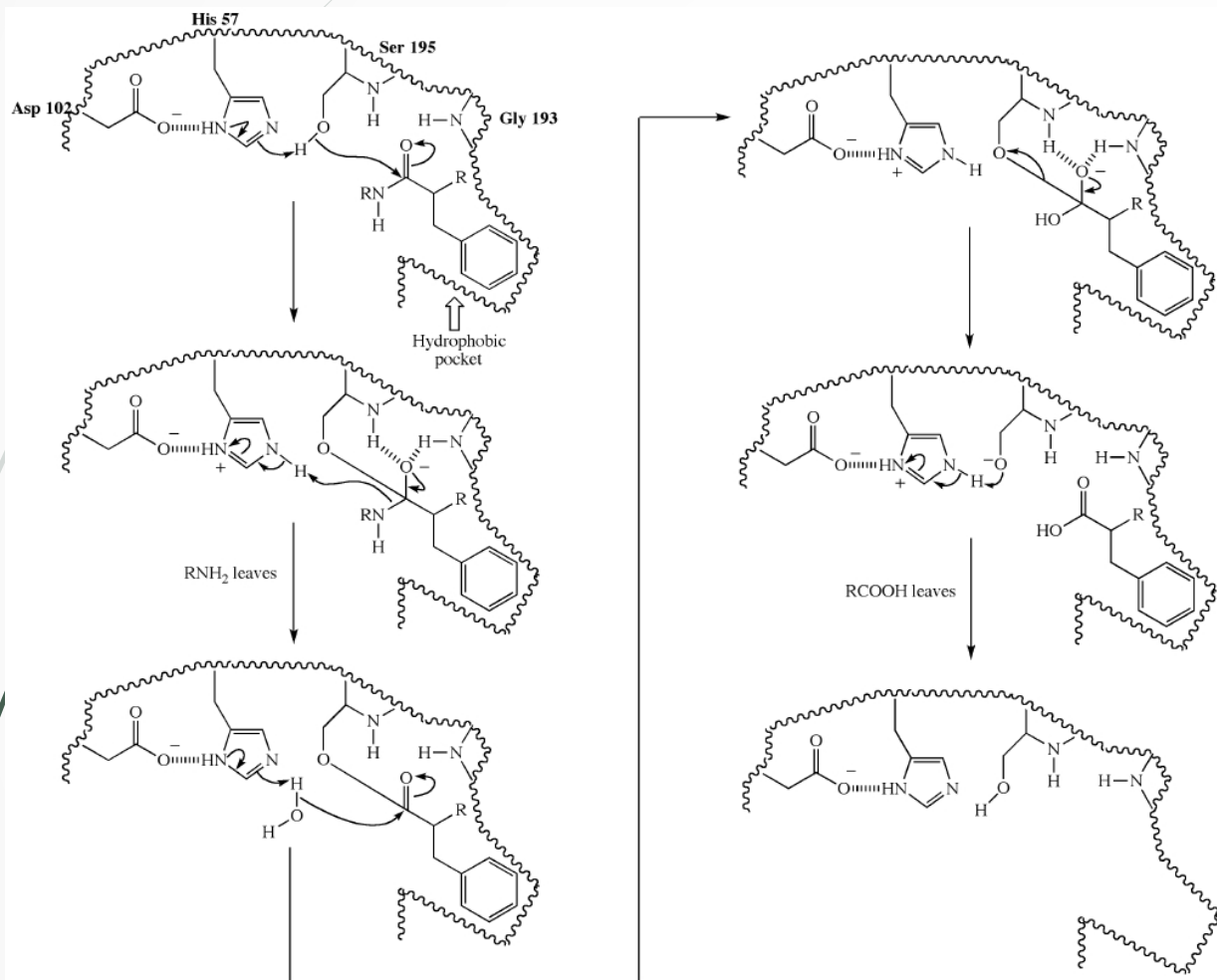


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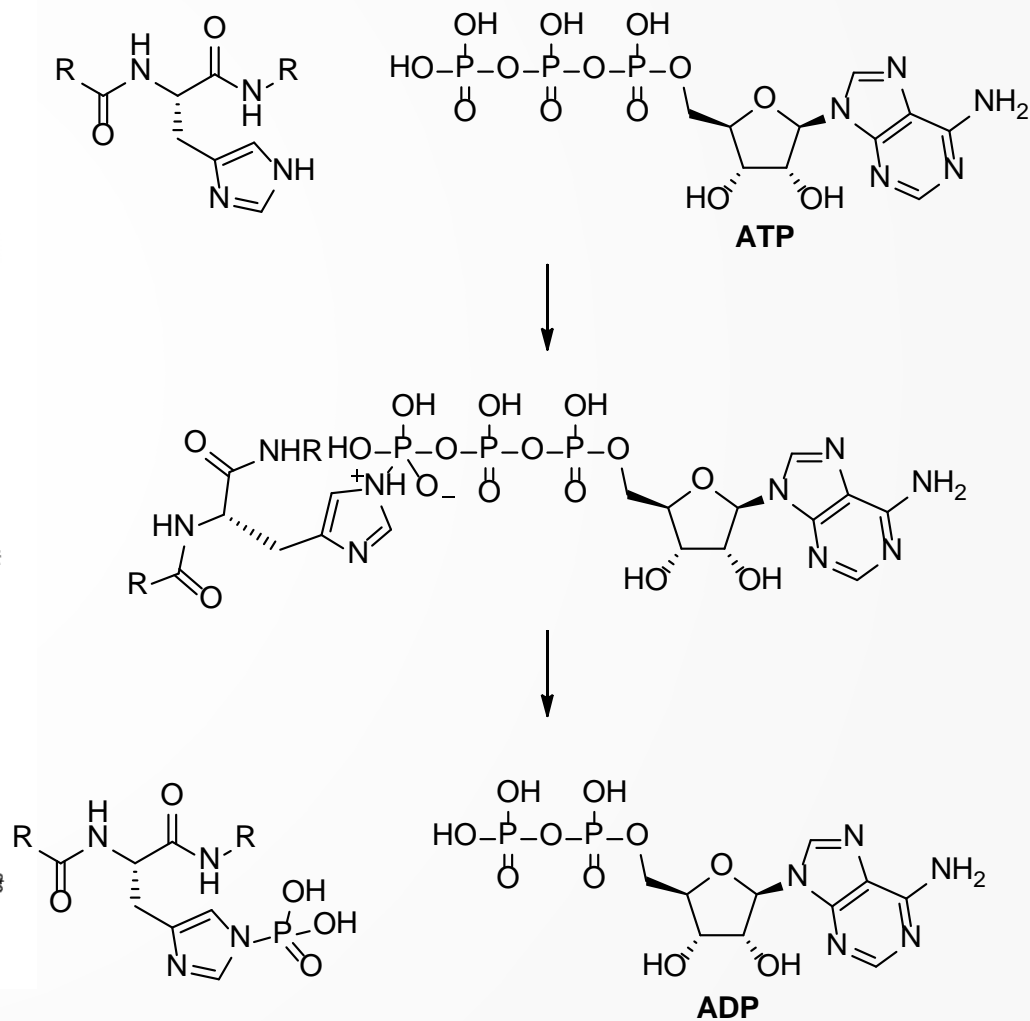
- TEV proteases
- Cytomegalovirus proteases
- Chymotrypsin
- Histidine kinases

# L-Histidine impact in catalytic triads

## Chymotrypsin

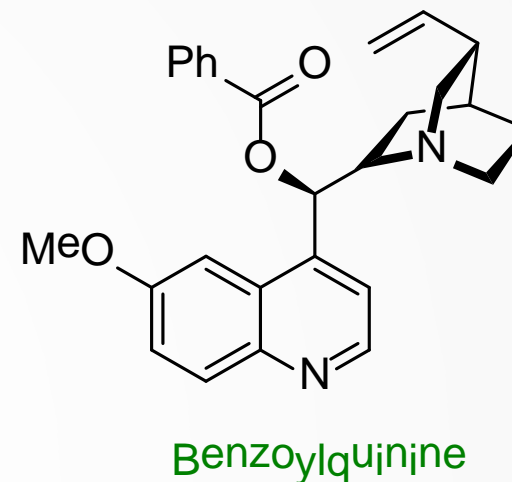
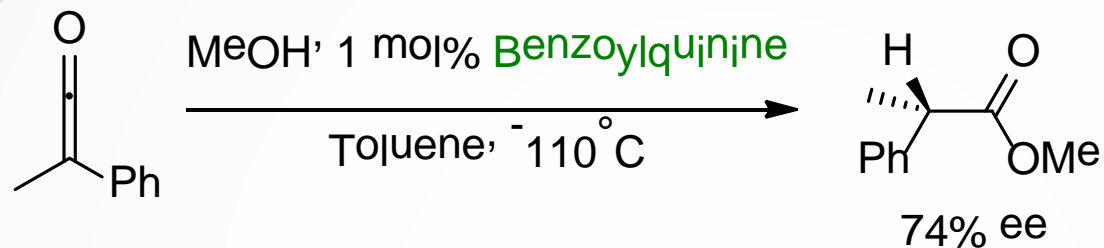


## Histidine kinases

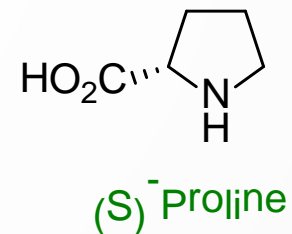
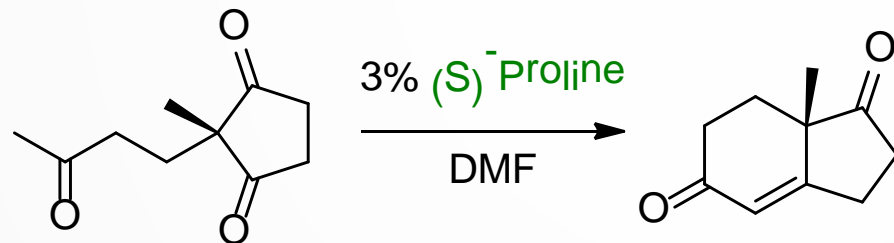


# Organocatalysis & chiral amines : an old romance

1960: Pracejus



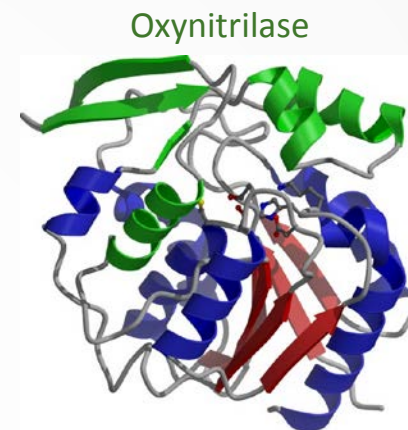
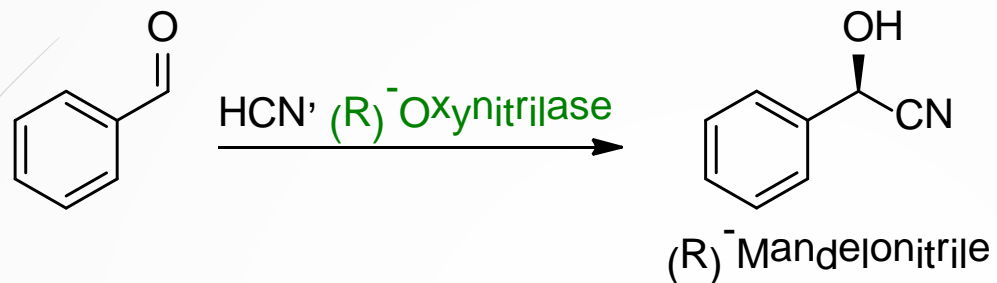
1971: Hajos-Parrish-Eder-Sauer-Wiechert



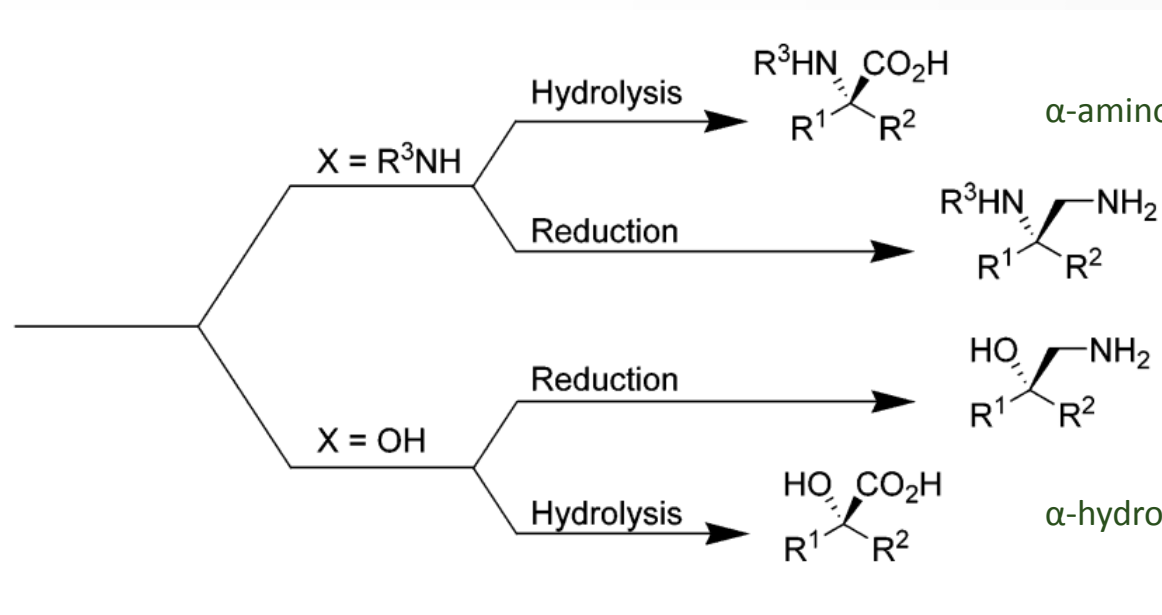
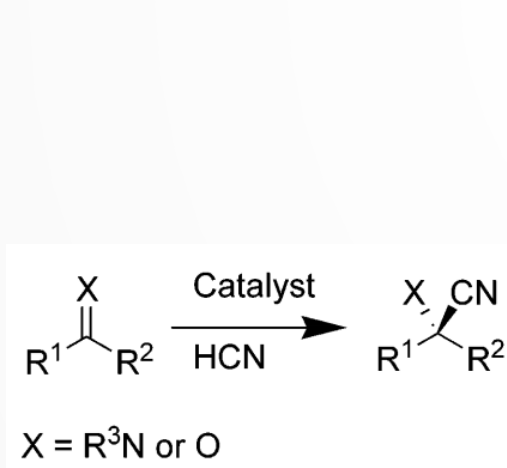
“As yet there has been no compelling evidence that small polypeptides can approach the larger naturally occurring proteolytic enzymes in terms of activity and specificity.” Matthews, B. W.; Craik, C. S.; Neurath, H. *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **1994**, *91*, 4103,



# A pioneering work



Isolated in 1908

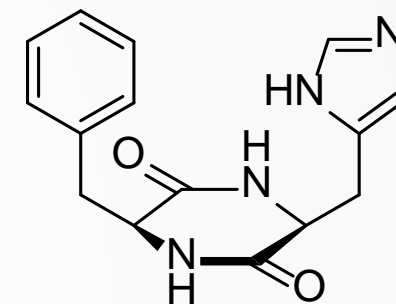
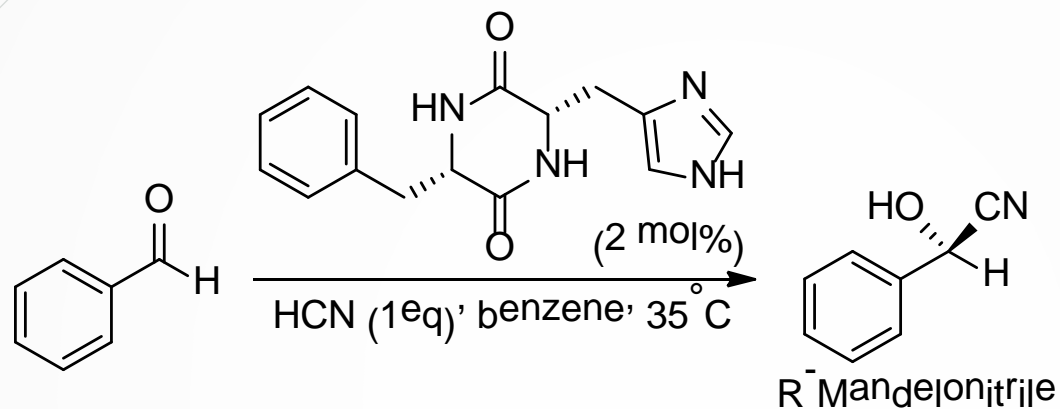


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# Diketopiperazine: an effective dipeptide catalyst

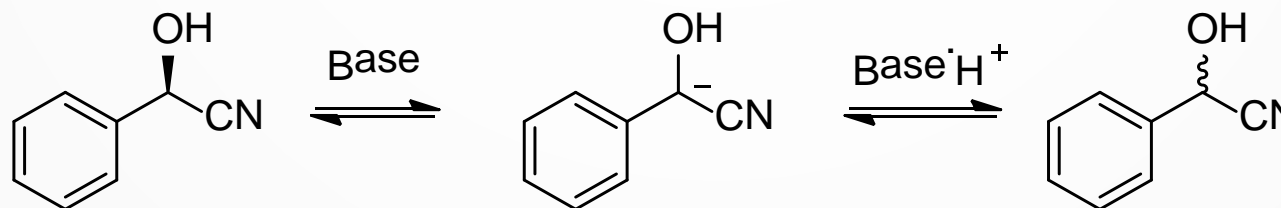
1979: Inoue and Oku



Diketopiperazine

Time reaction: 30 minutes = 40% conversion + 90% ee  
 960 minutes = 90% conversion + 21% ee

Racemization pathway

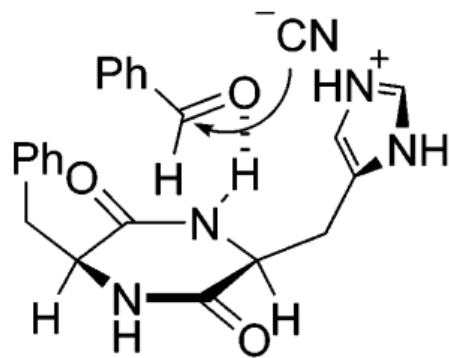
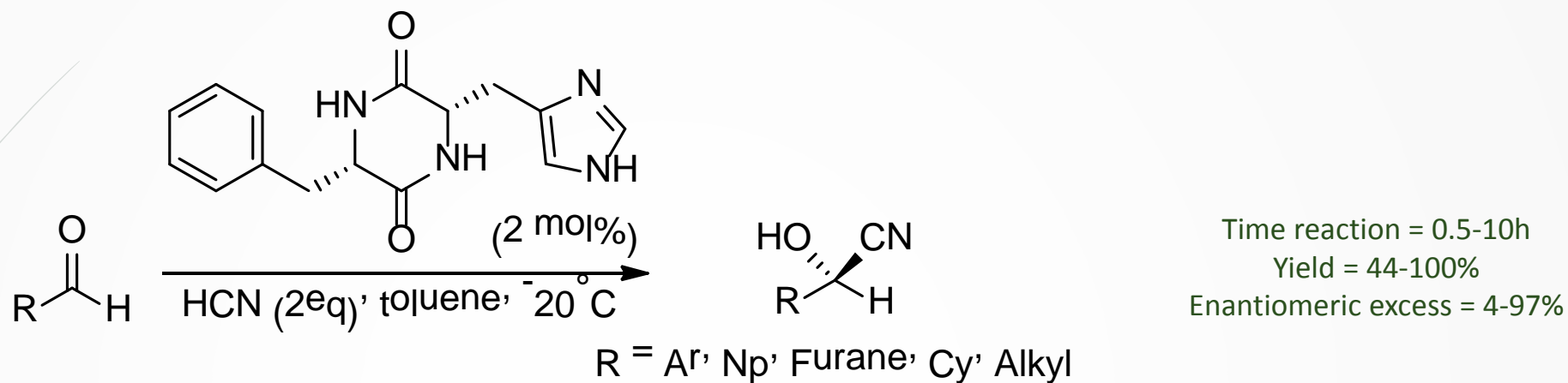


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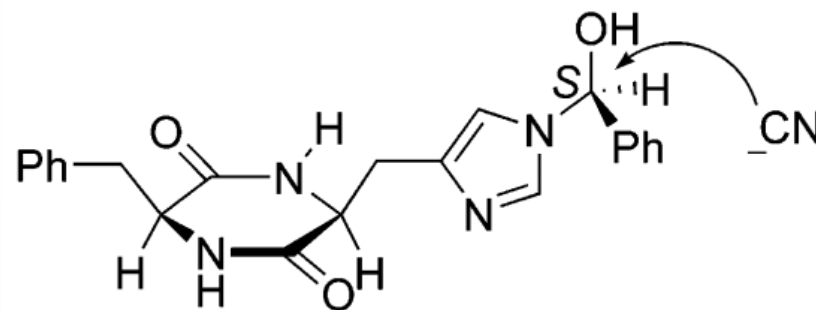
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# Reaction scope and mechanism propositions



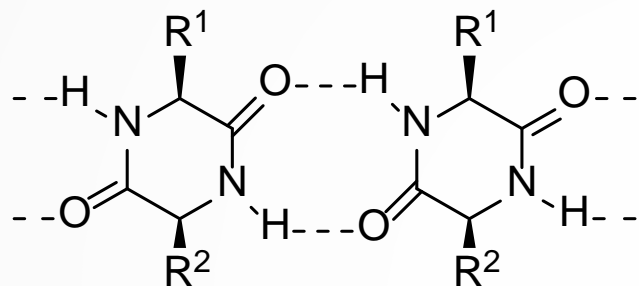
Inoue proposition



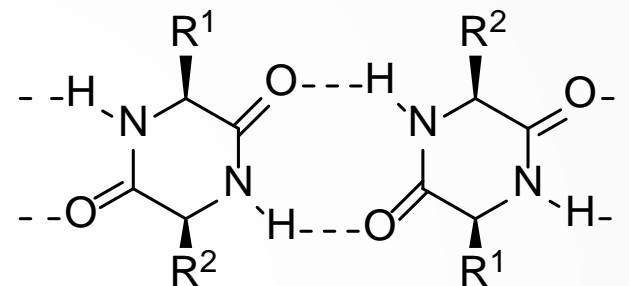
North proposition

# A reaction of interest

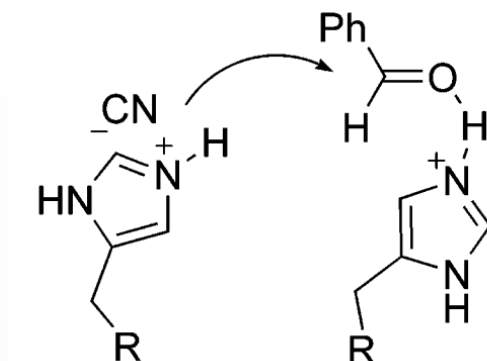
Catalyst is like a polymer but active under dimeric or oligomeric form



Head-to-Head

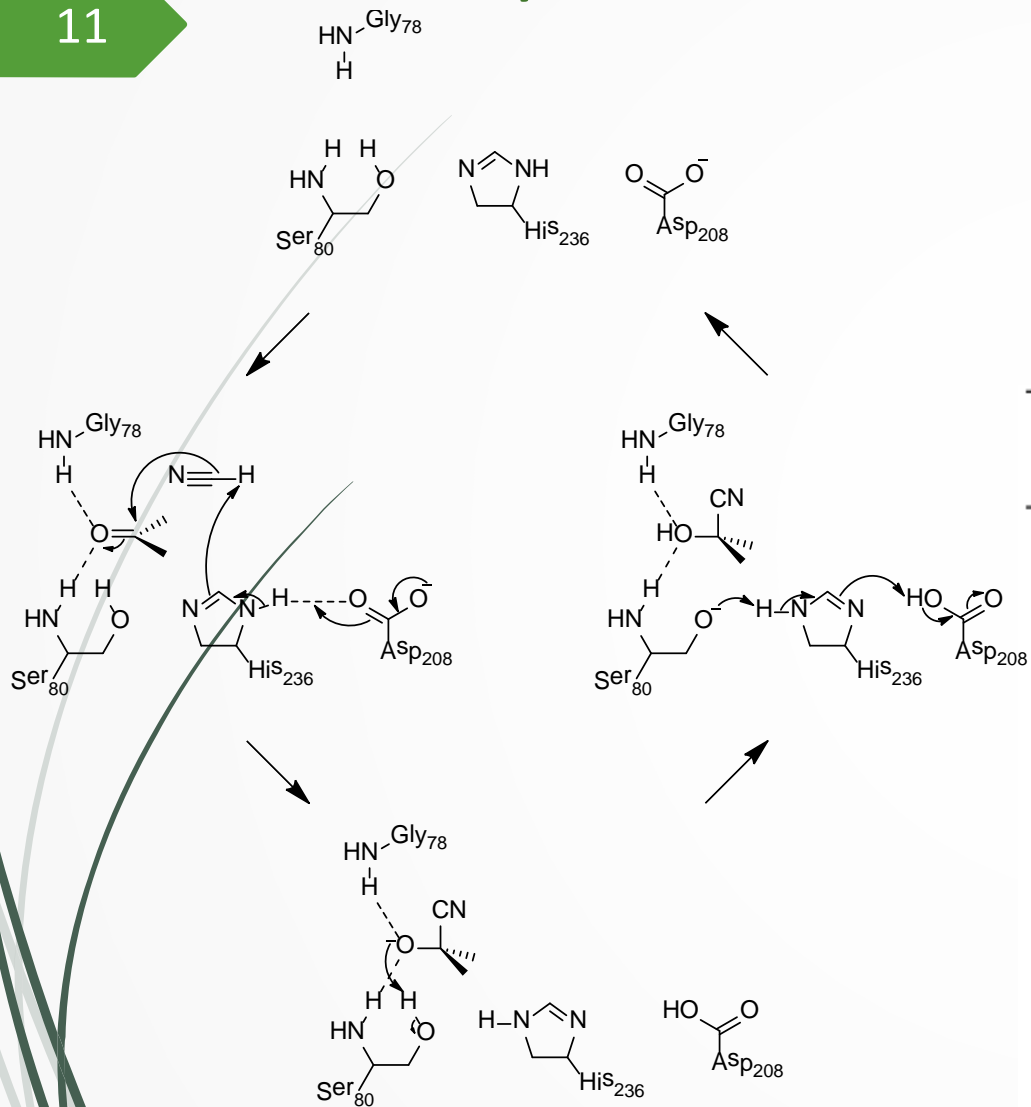
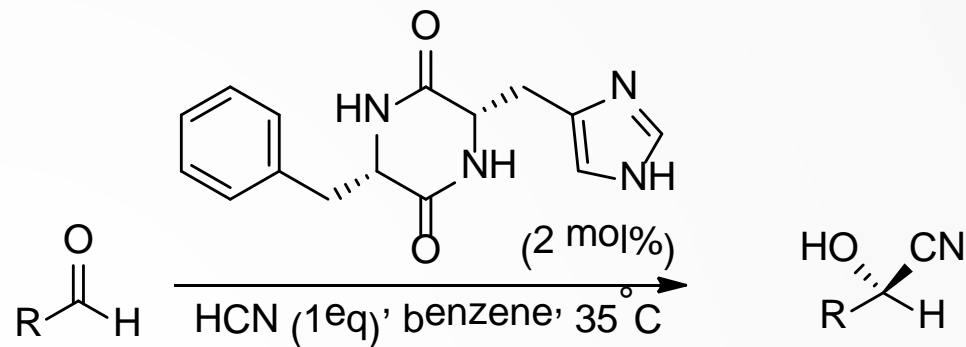


Head-to-Tail



Shvo proposition

## Oxynitrilase vs Diketopiperazine: who's the best ?

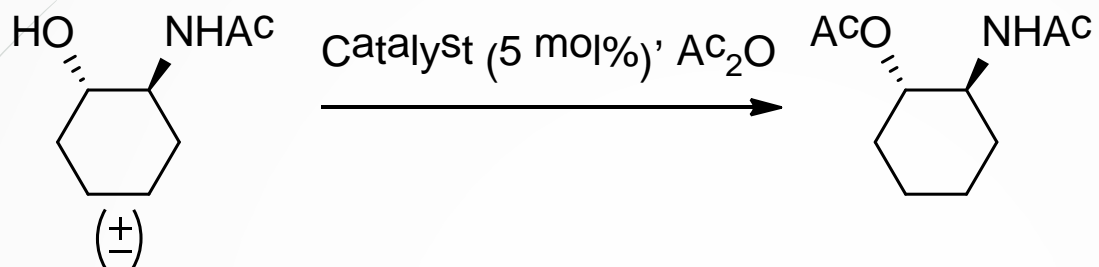


Entry	Aldehyde	Time (min.)	Conv. (%)	ee (%)	
				by 1	by D-oxynitrilase
1	benzaldehyde	30	40	90	100
2	benzaldehyde	240	80	69	100
3	benzaldehyde ( <i>p</i> -Me)	30	80	33	28
4	benzaldehyde ( <i>m</i> -Me)	30	83	82	60
5	benzaldehyde ( <i>o</i> -Me)	30	67	70	not reported
6	benzaldehyde ( <i>m</i> -MeO)	30	71	54	51
7	benzaldehyde ( <i>m</i> -PhO)	30	70	61	not reported
8	butyraldehyde	35	100	28	20
9	pentanal	40	100	43	31
10	<i>iso</i> -butyraldehyde	35	100	35	25
11	cyclohexane carboxyaldehyde	15	100	25	not reported

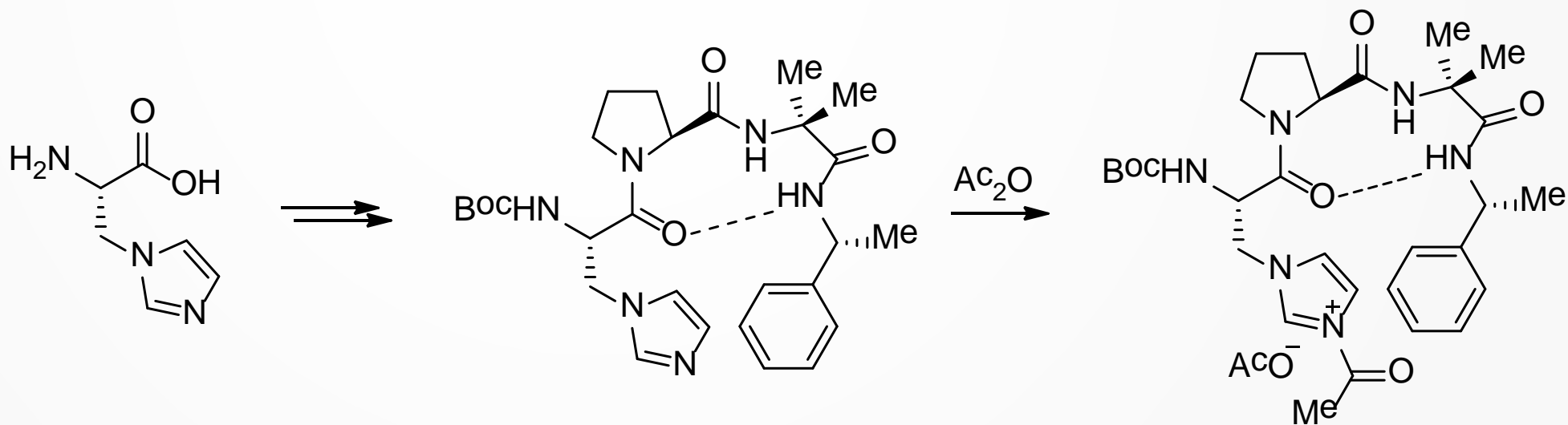
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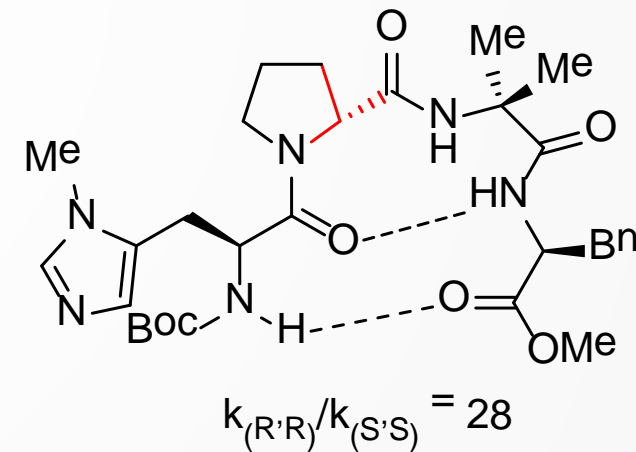
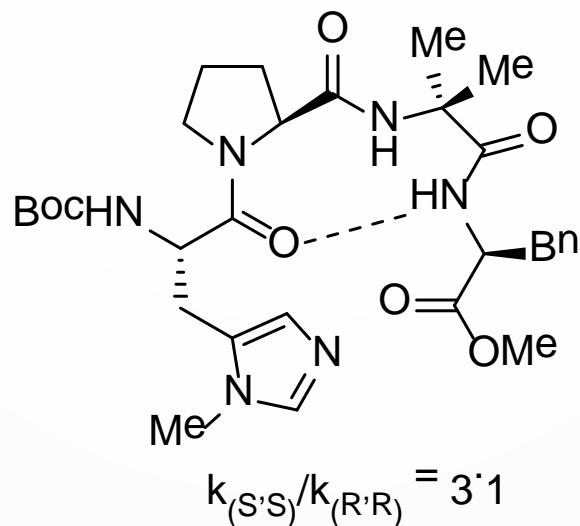
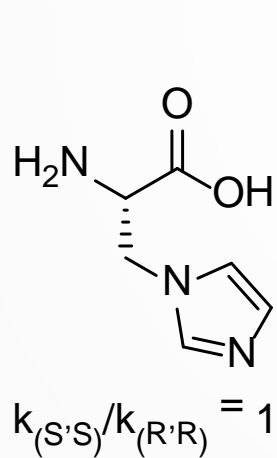
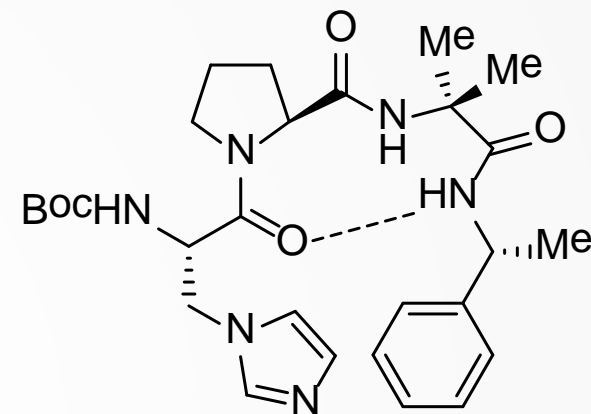
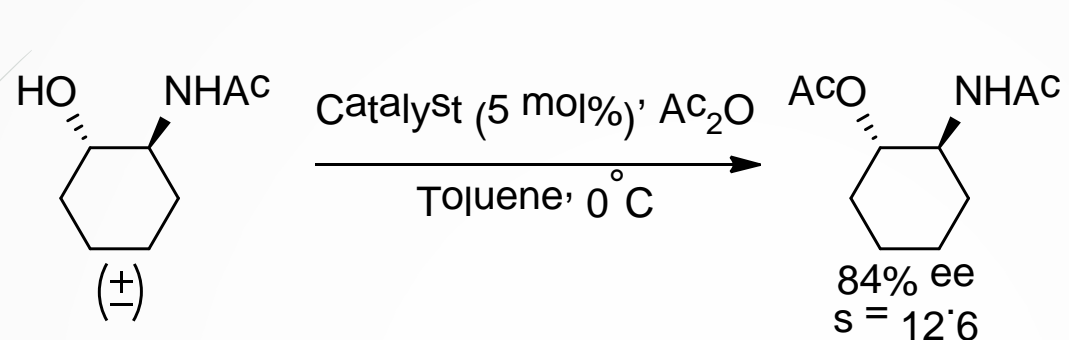
# Kinetic resolution of alcohols: dawn of a catalyst



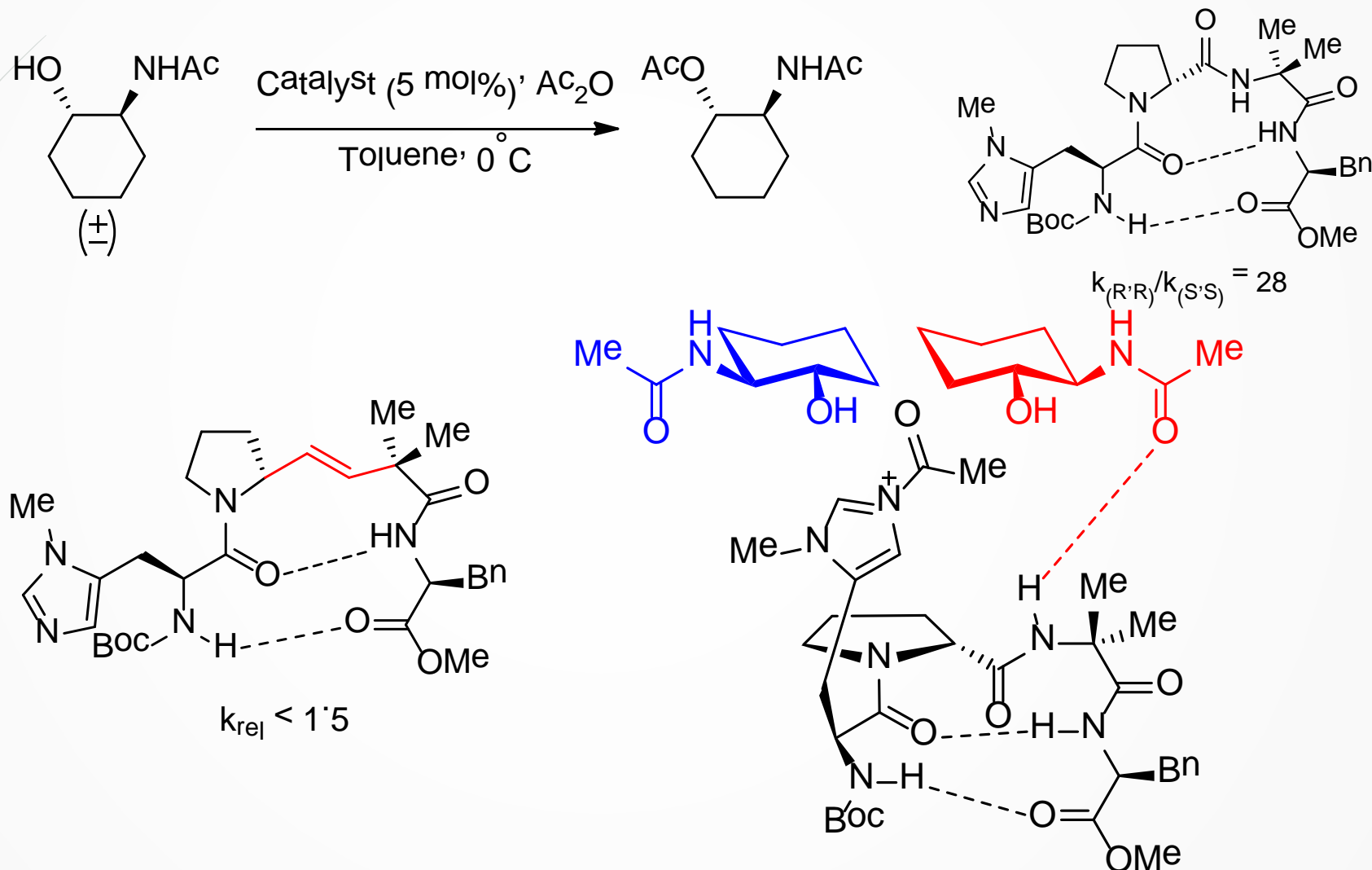
- Metal-free, mild conditions (no rigorous exclusion of moisture or oxygen), good substrate tolerance.
- Need conformational rigidity.
- Need to contain a functional group carrying catalysis.



# Catalyst structure and its repercussions



# A peptidic bond in a small peptide: essential ?

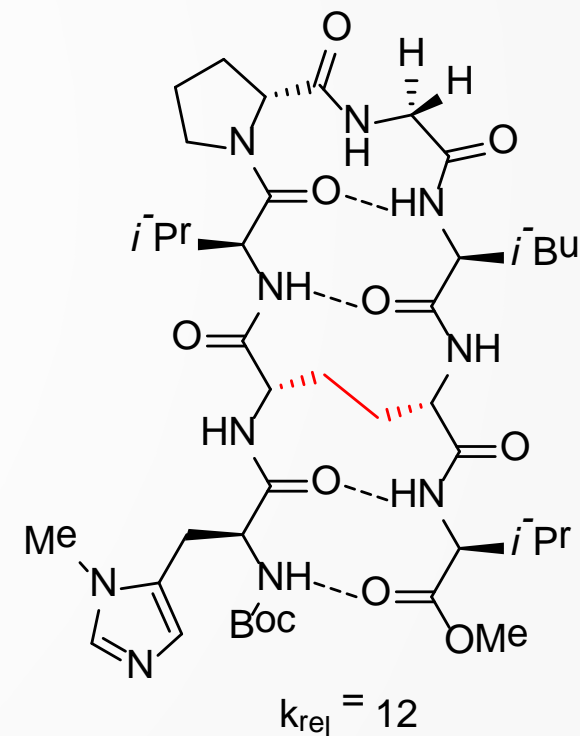
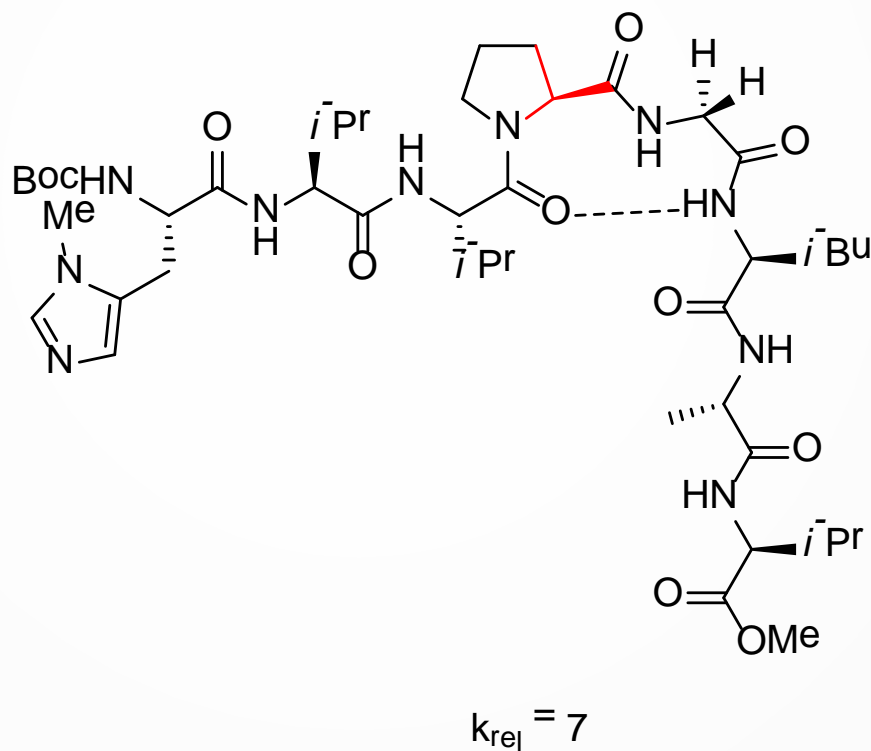
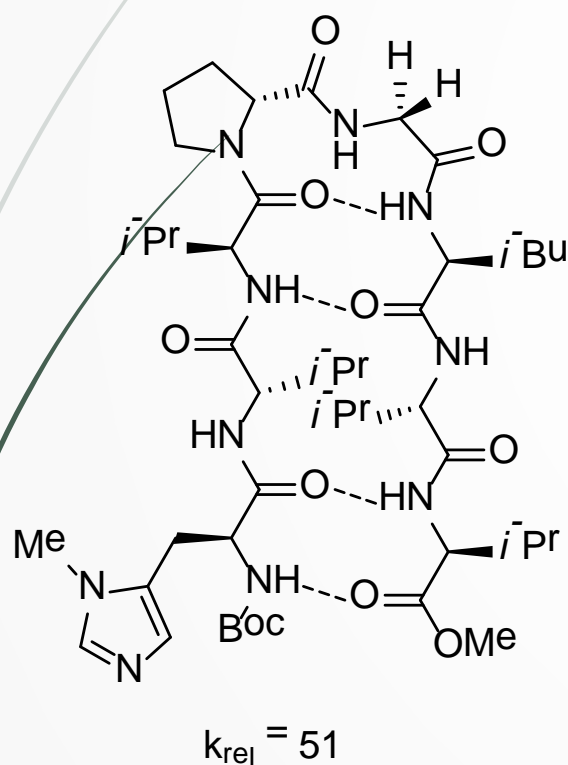
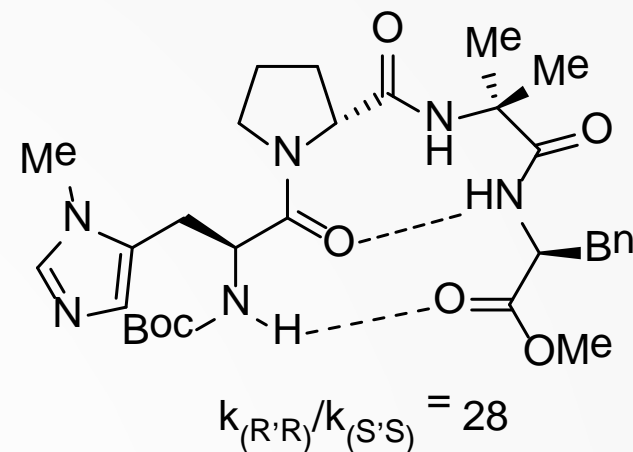
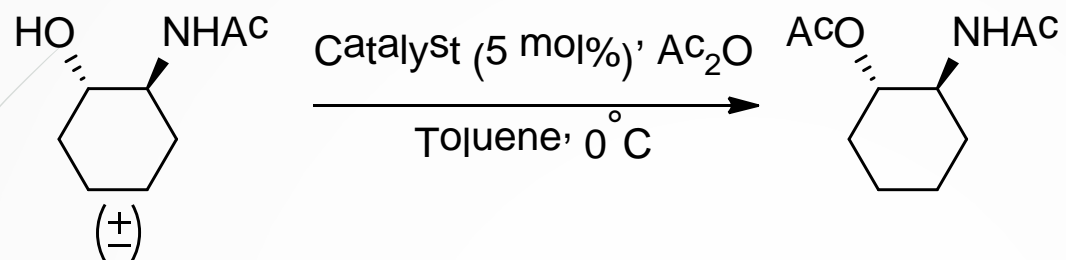


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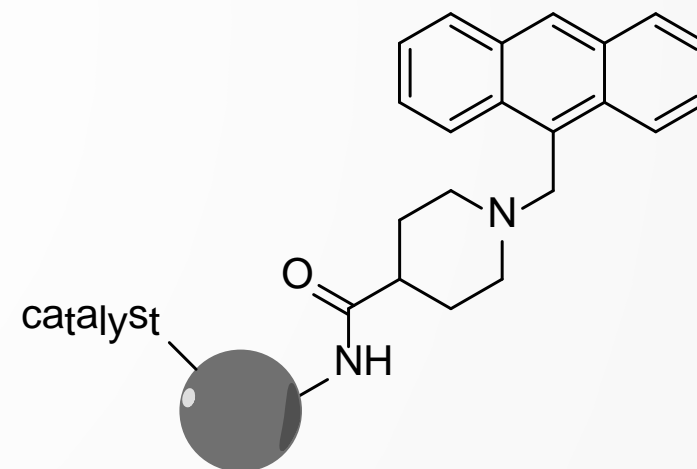
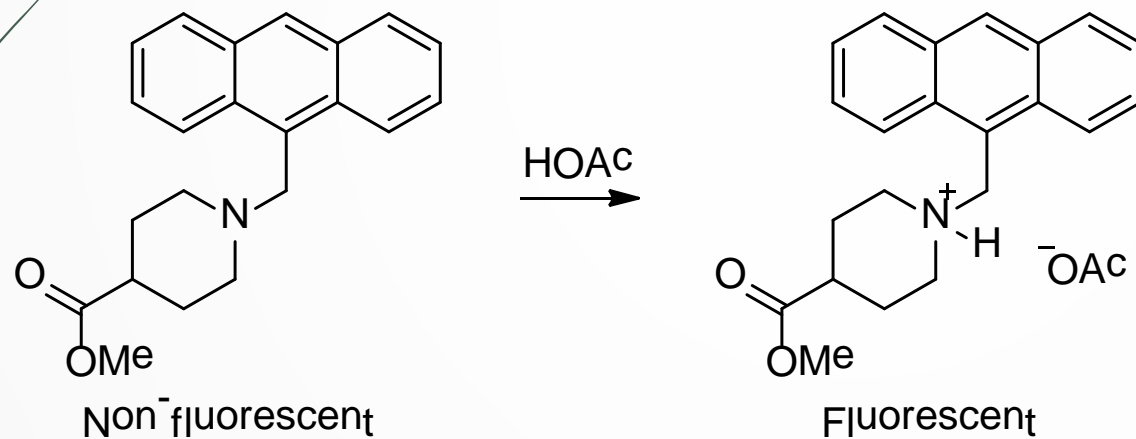
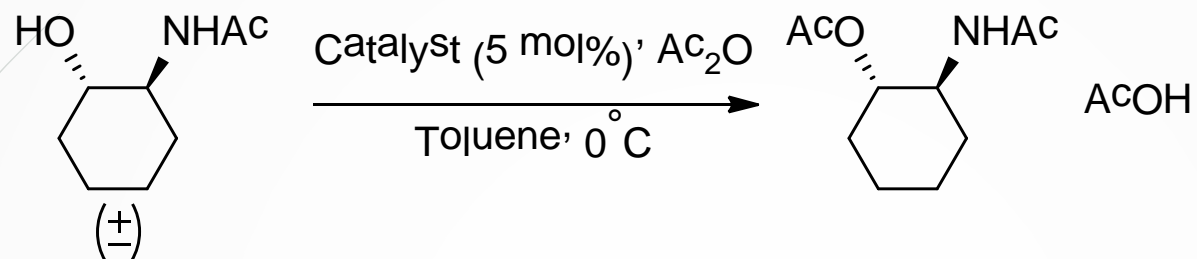
## An inflexible catalyst ?





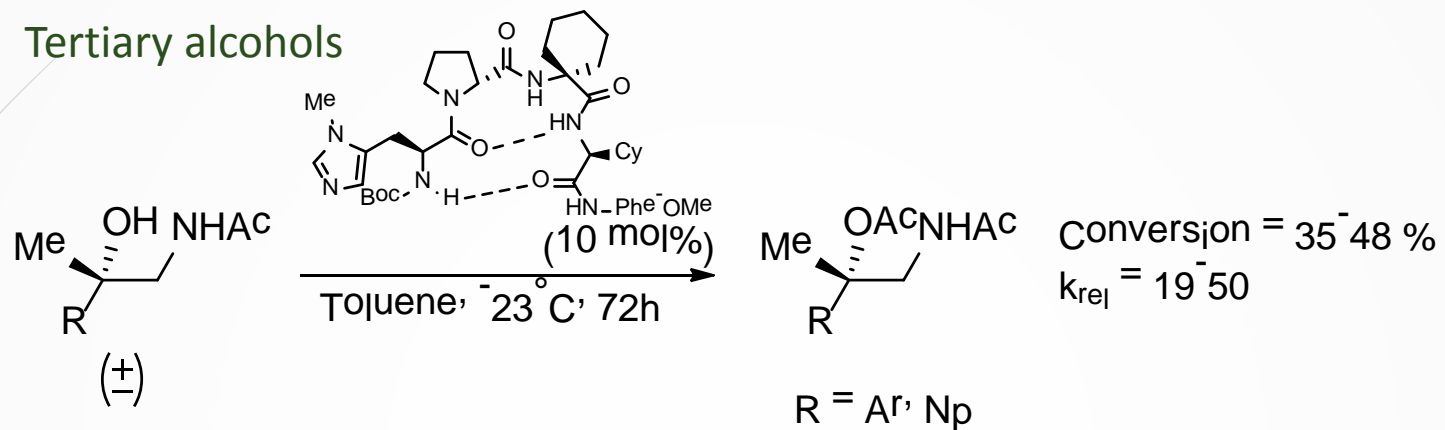


# A boring screen ? Find a shortcut

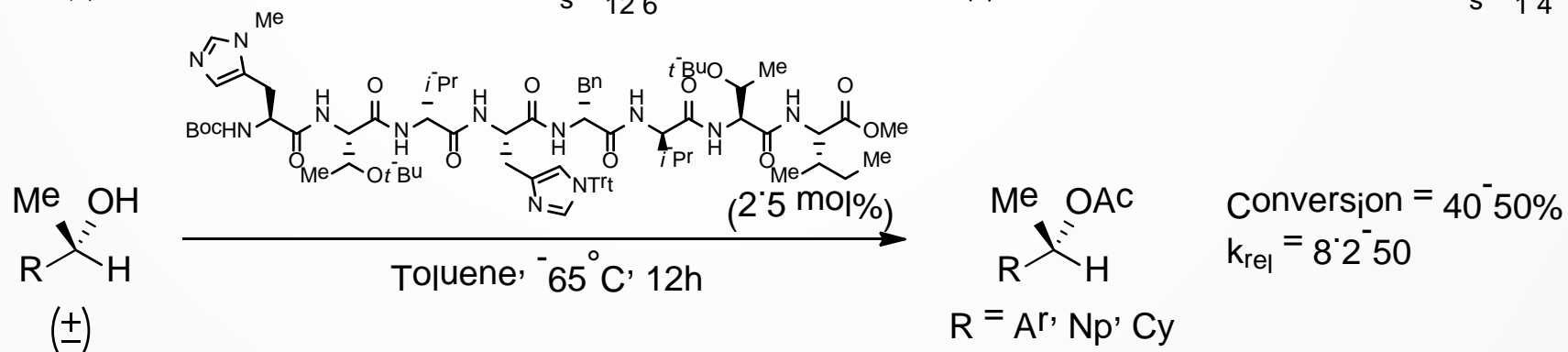
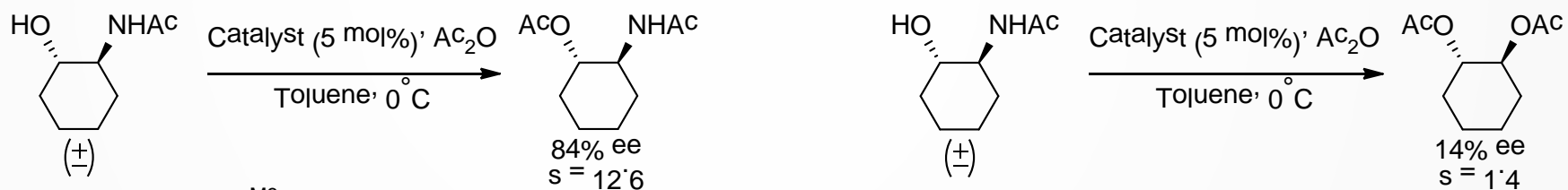


# New purposes

## Tertiary alcohols



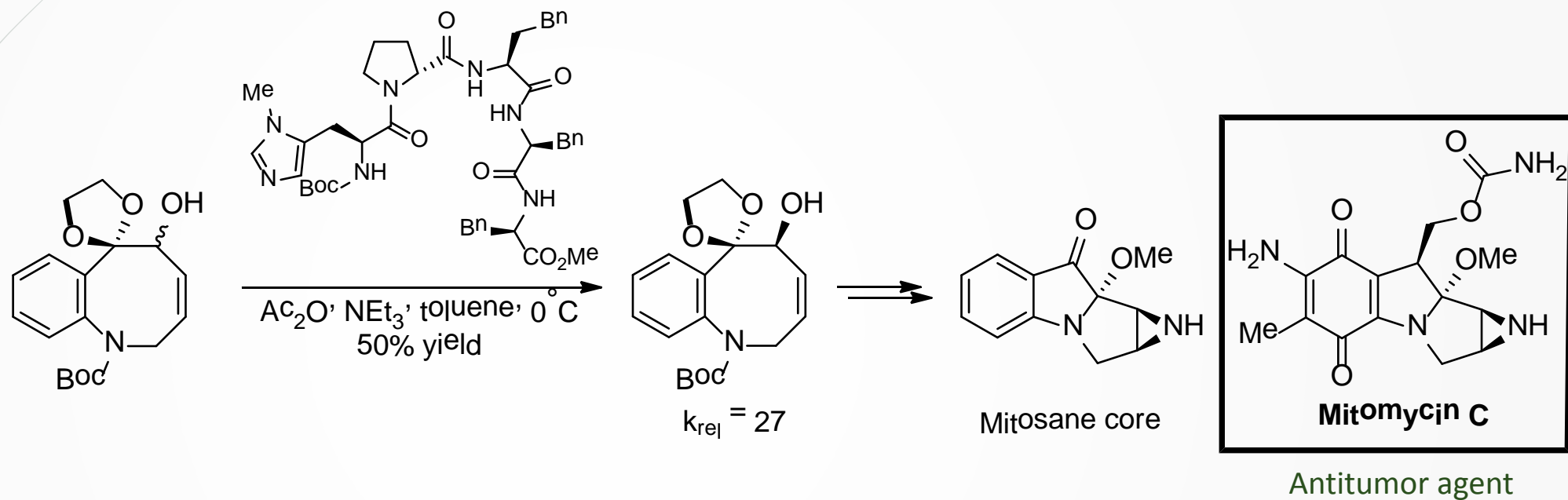
## Absence of amide function



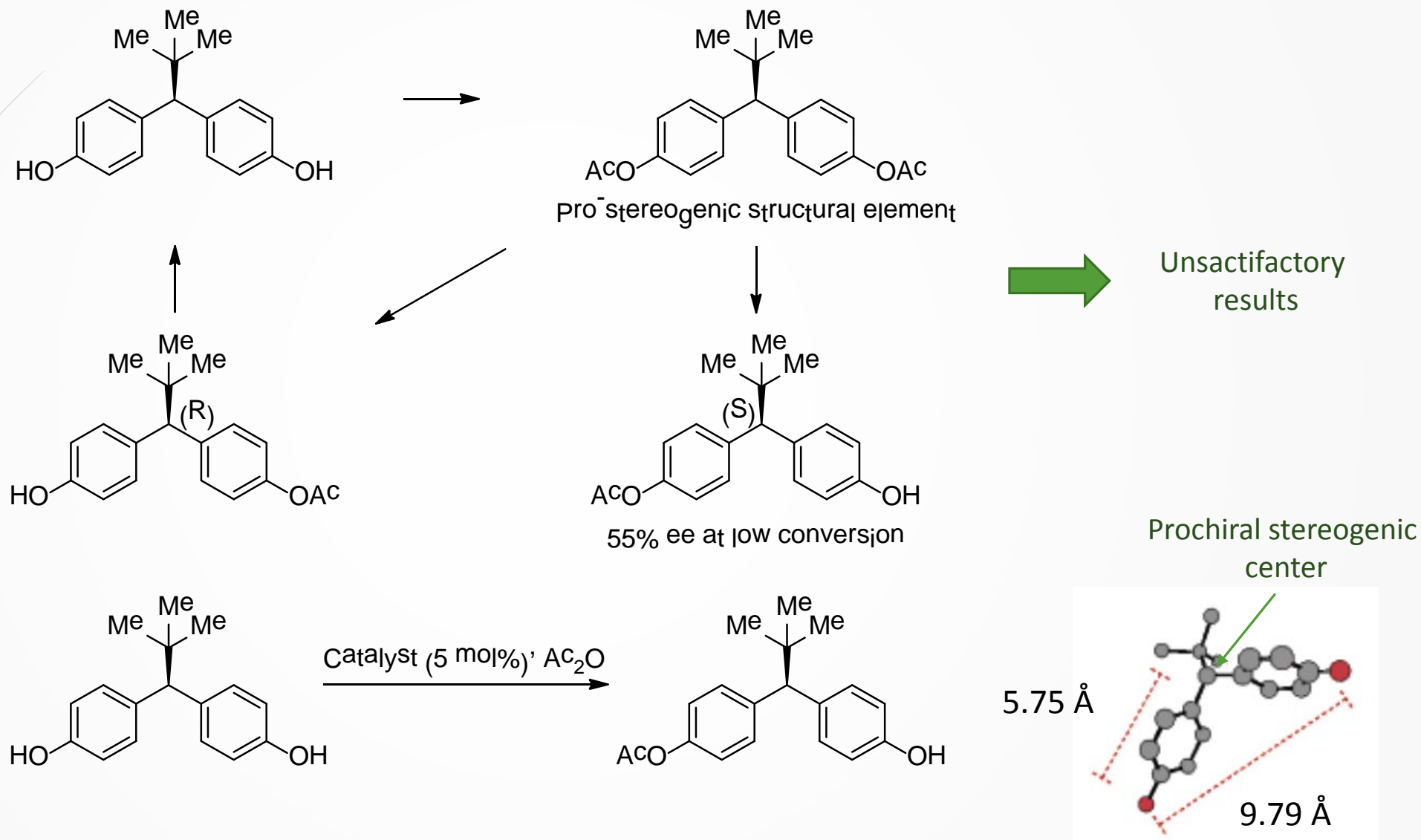
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# Total synthesis application



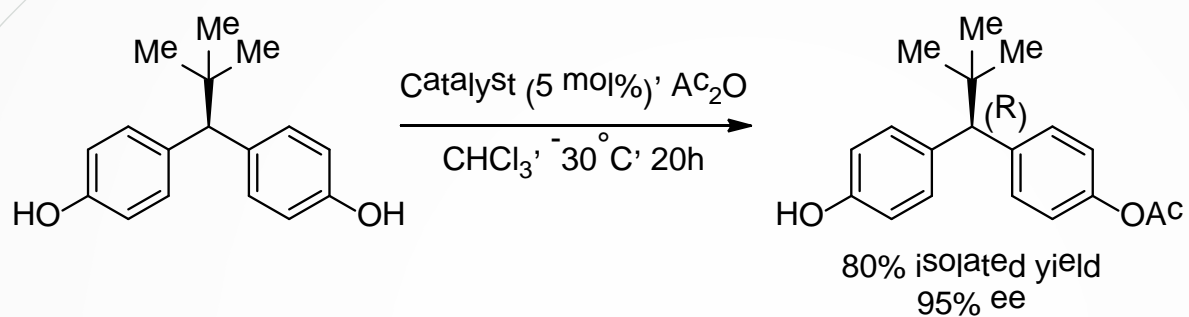
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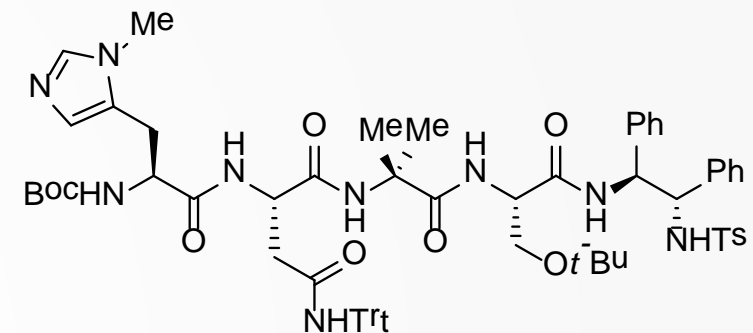
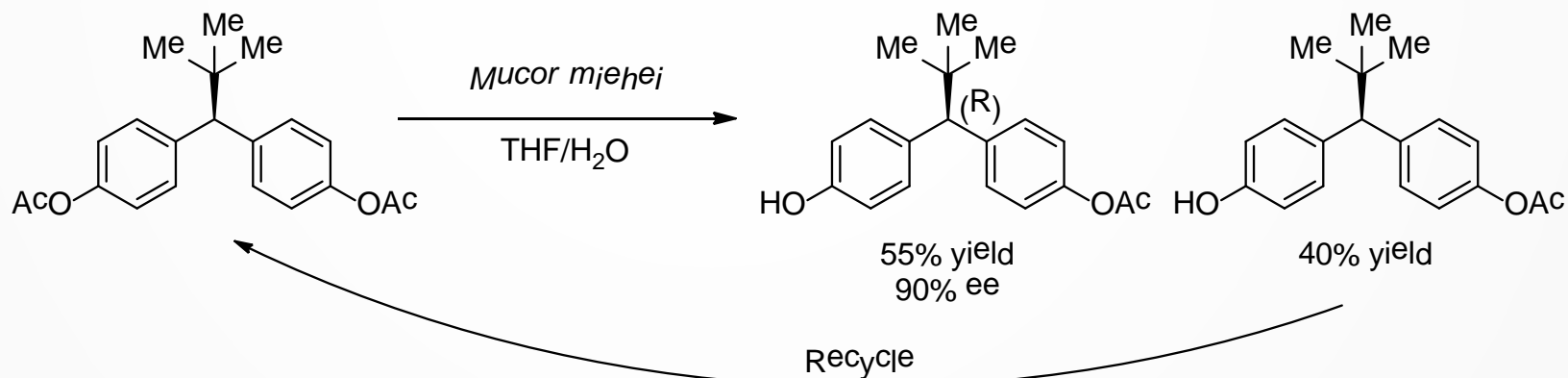
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# The catalyst, better than the enzyme ?

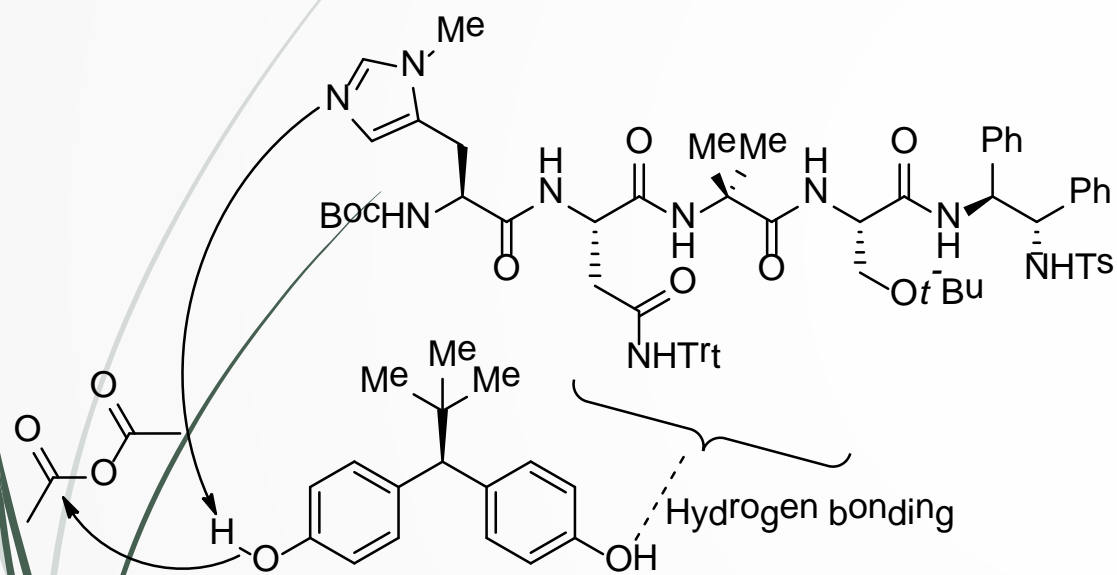


No secondary kinetic resolution

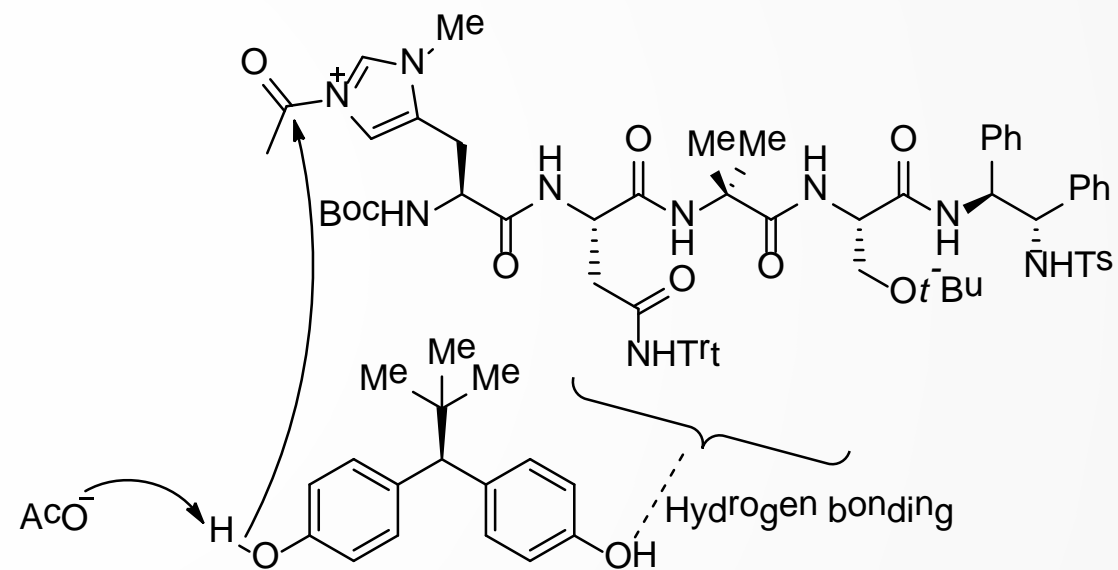


# Two plausible pathways

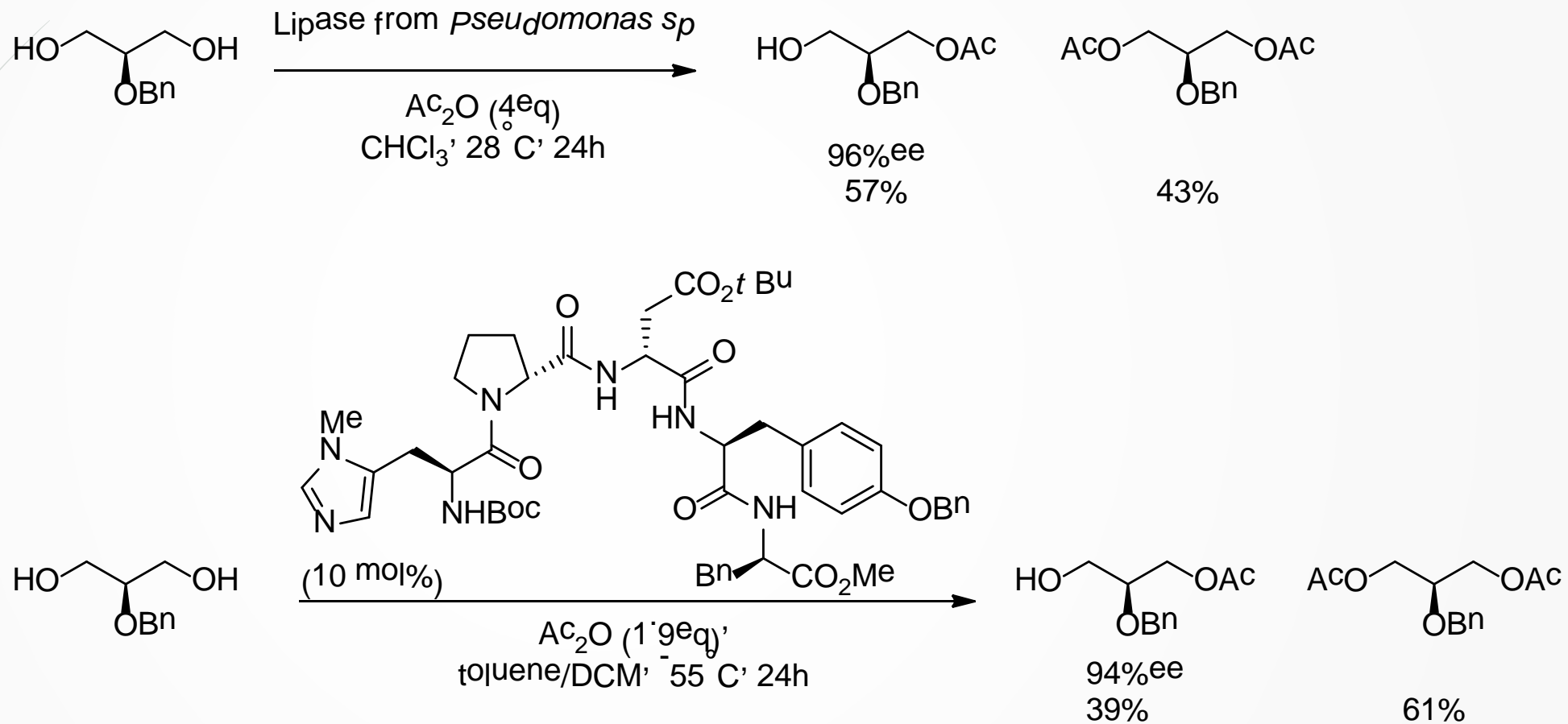
## General base catalysis



## Nucleophilic catalysis

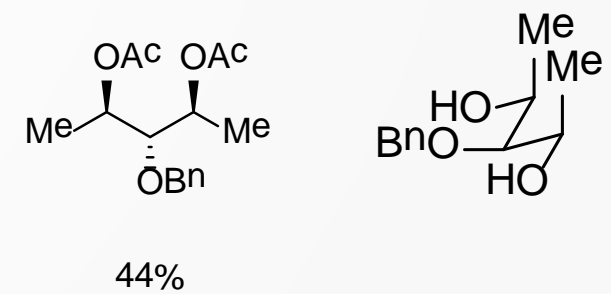
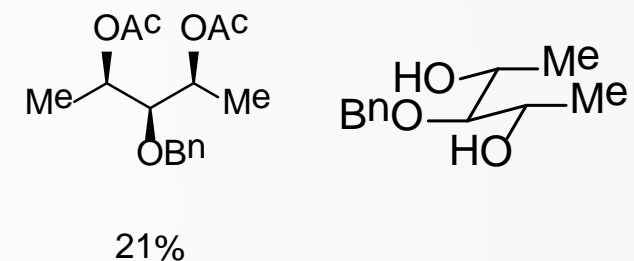
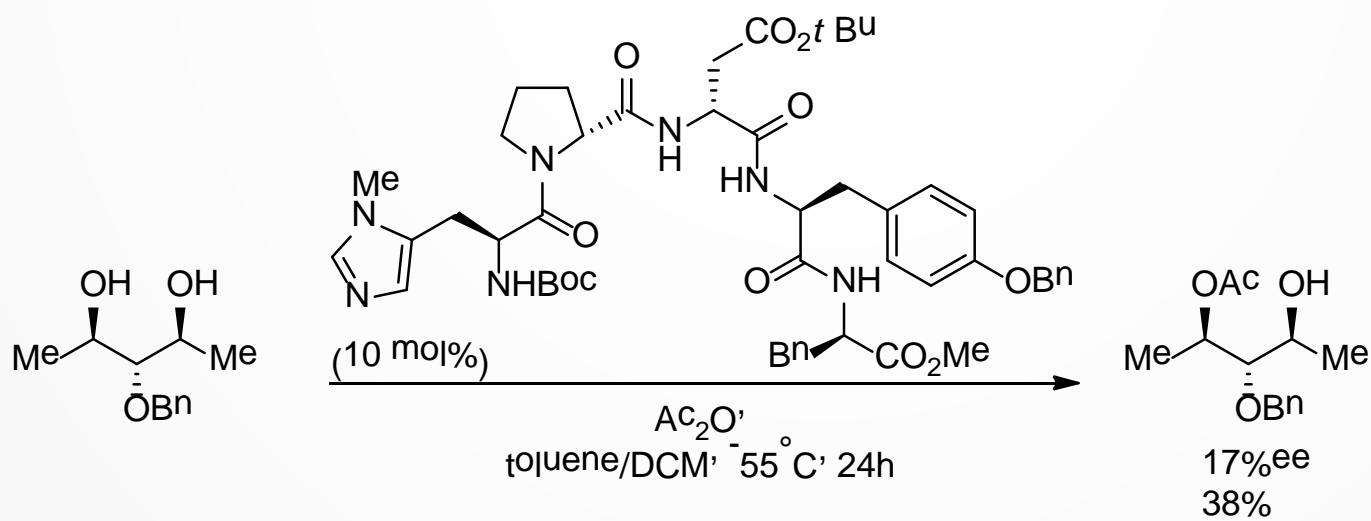
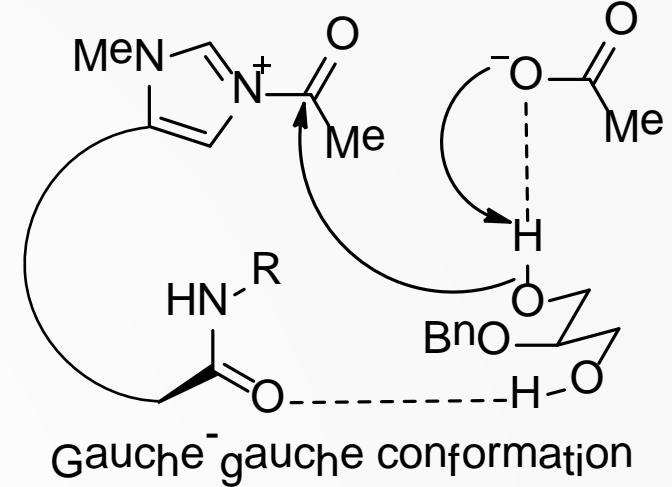
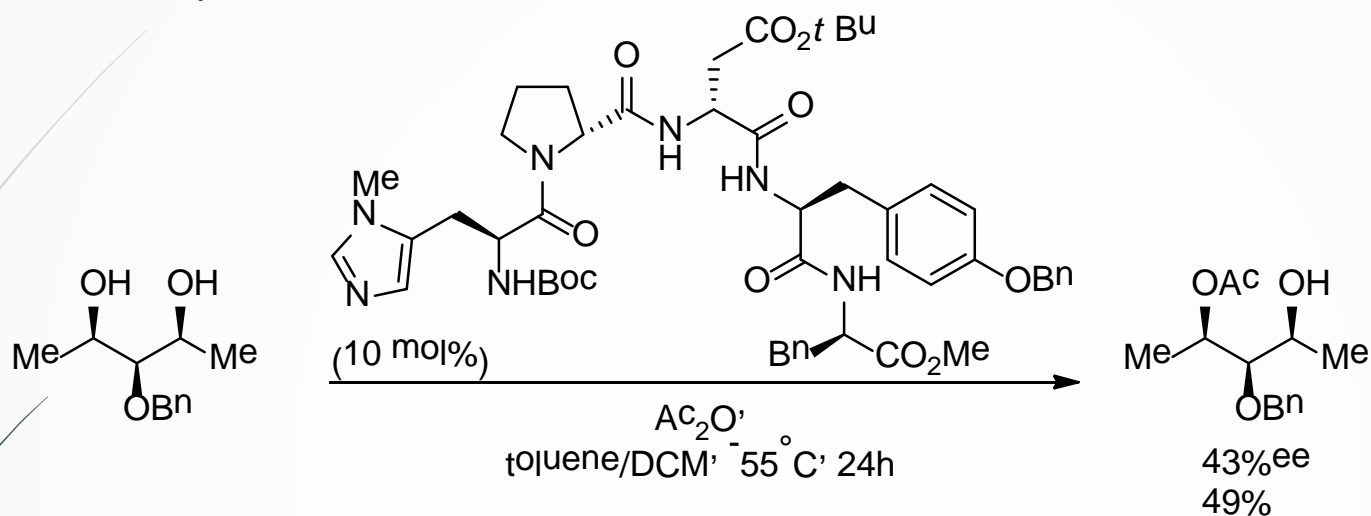


# A competitive catalyst



# Reaction limitations

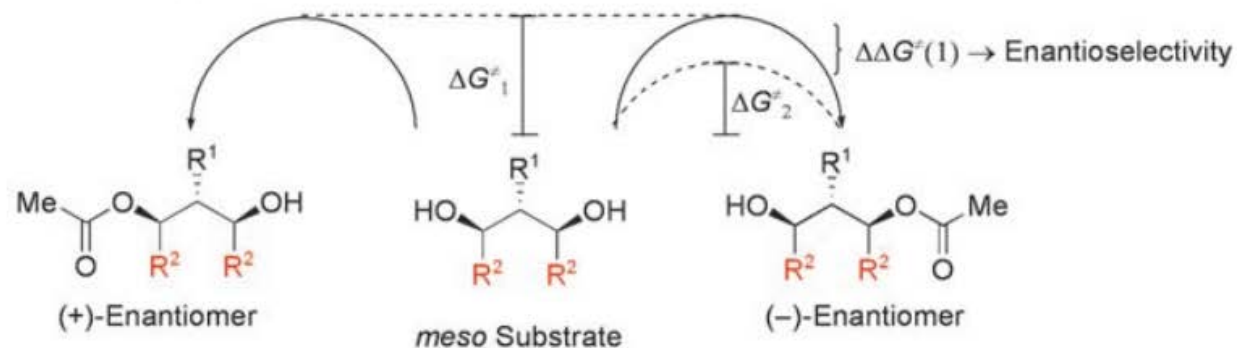
Secondary alcohols less reactive





# How to be site-selective ?

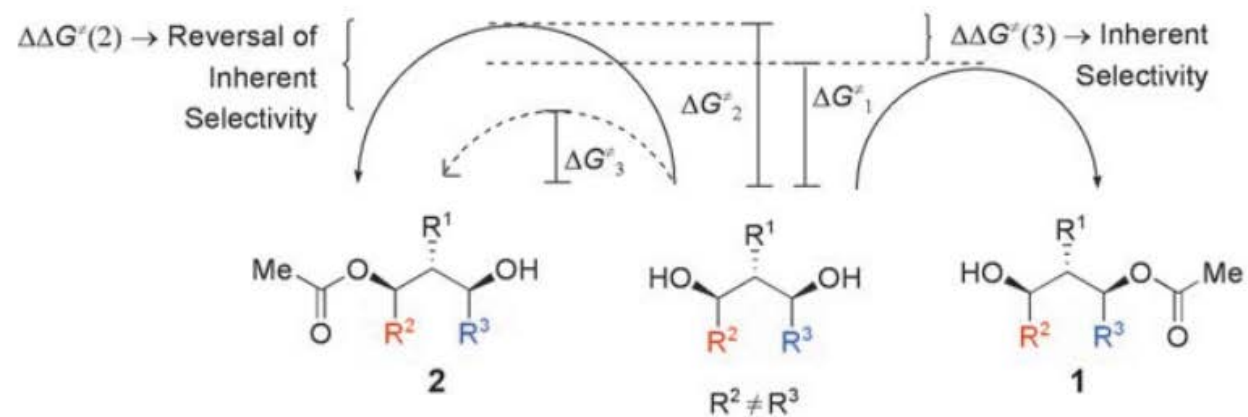
## Enantioselective Catalysis



Achiral Catalyst  $\rightarrow (\Delta G^\ddagger_1 - \Delta G^\ddagger_1) = 0 \rightarrow$  Racemic

Chiral Catalyst  $\rightarrow (\Delta G^\ddagger_1 - \Delta G^\ddagger_2) \neq 0 \rightarrow$  Enantioenriched

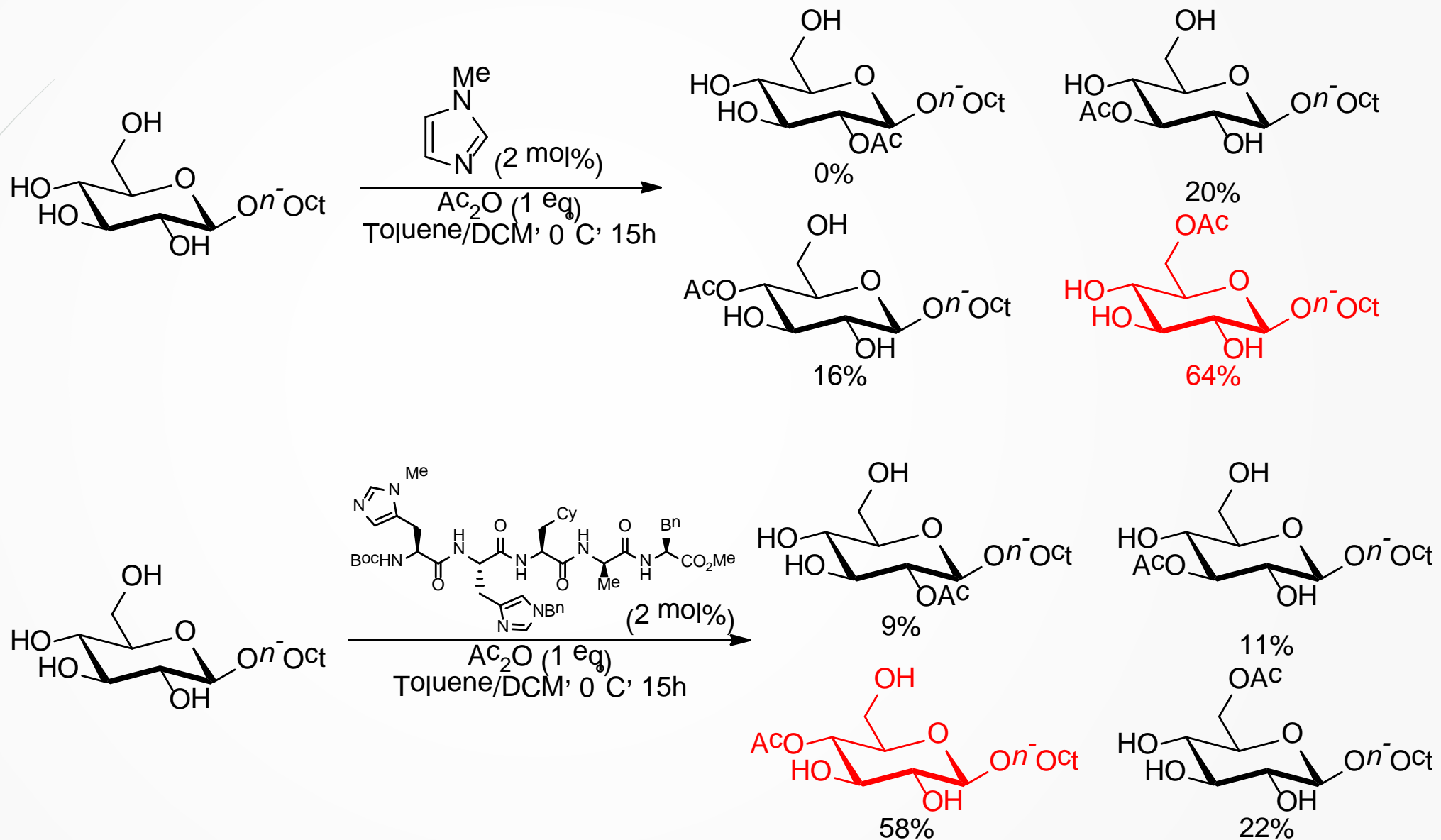
## Site-Selective Catalysis



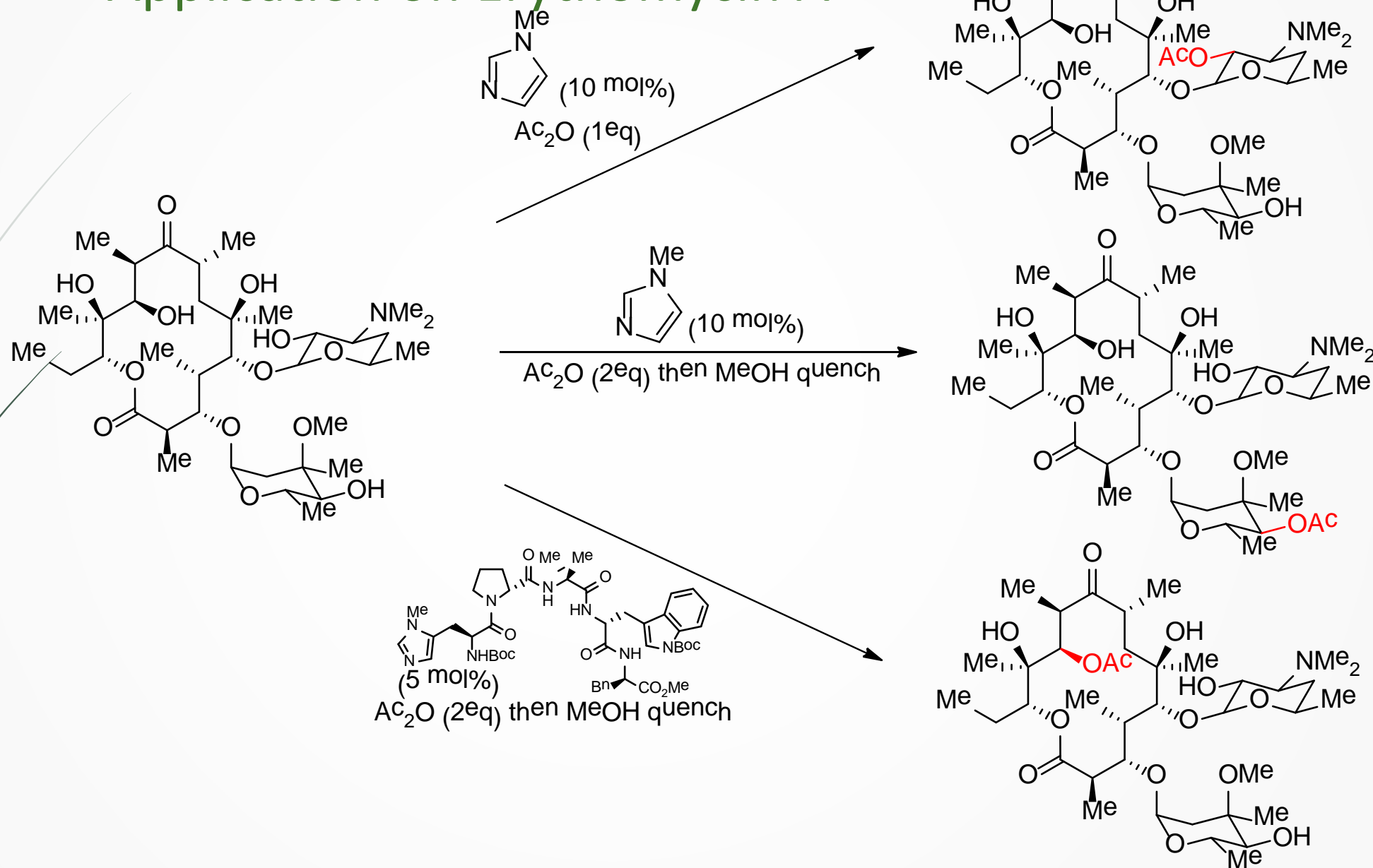
Achiral Catalyst  $\rightarrow (\Delta G^\ddagger_2 - \Delta G^\ddagger_1) \neq 0 \rightarrow$  Inherent Selectivity

Chiral Catalyst  $\rightarrow (\Delta G^\ddagger_2 - \Delta G^\ddagger_3) \neq 0 \rightarrow$  Regioenriched

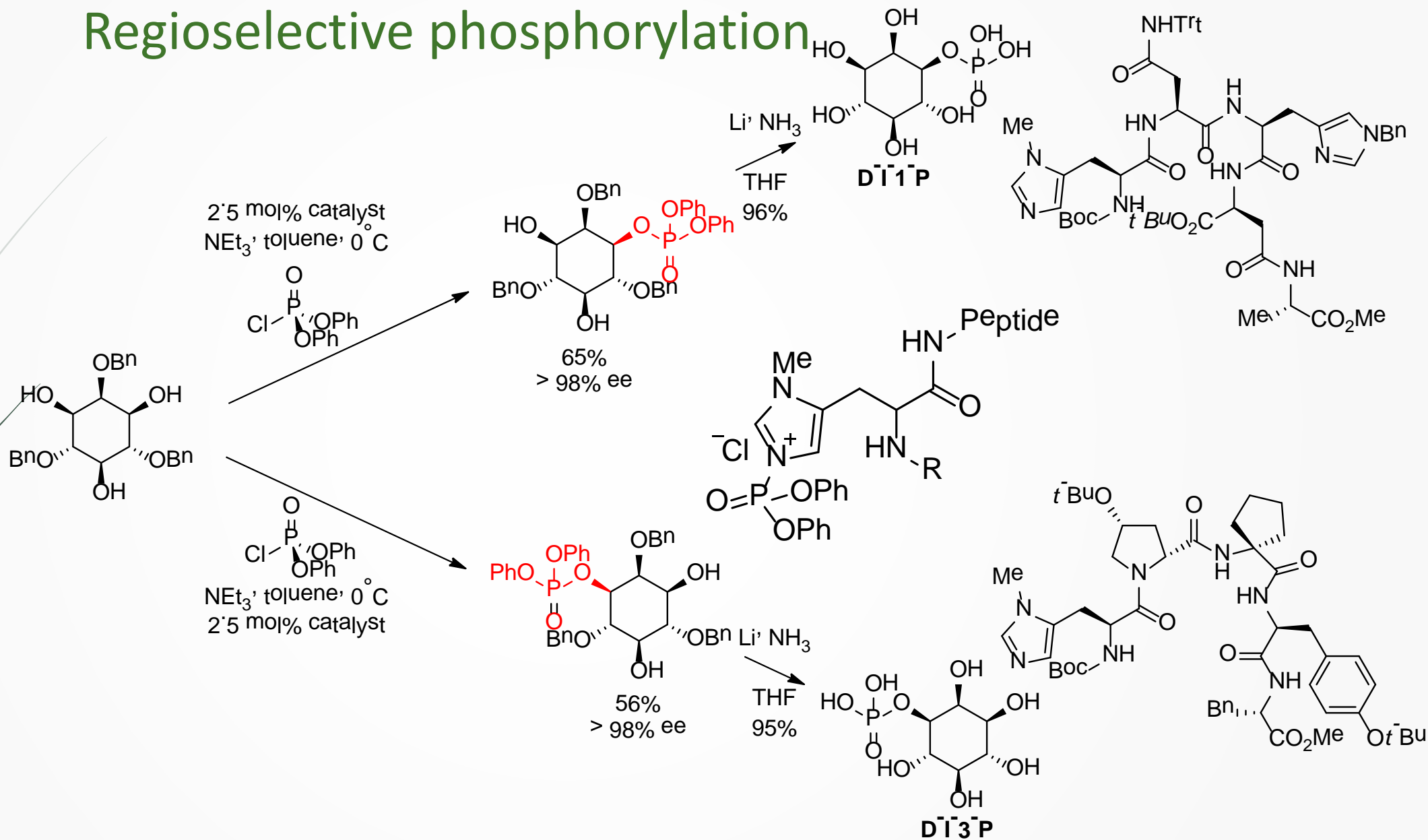
# Regio-selective functionalization of carbohydrates



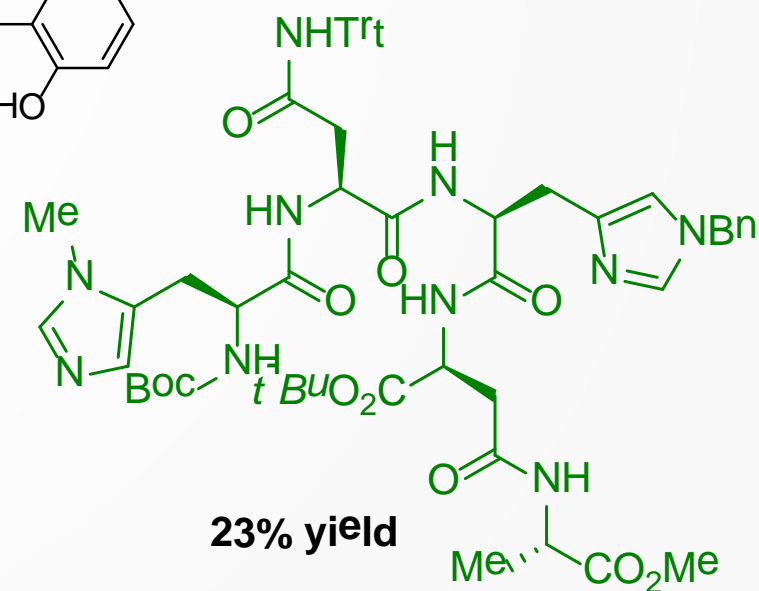
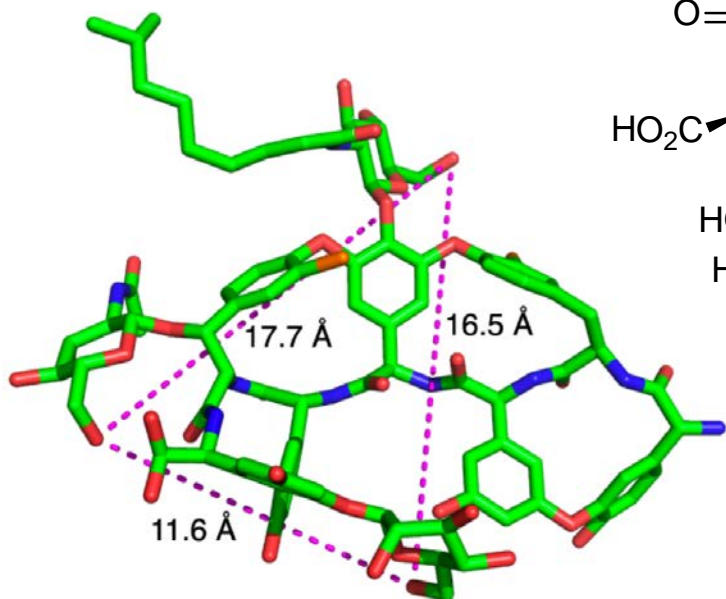
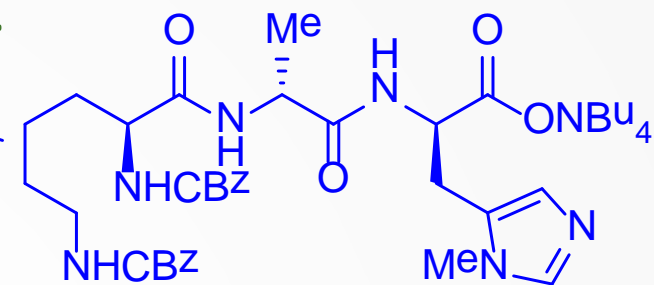
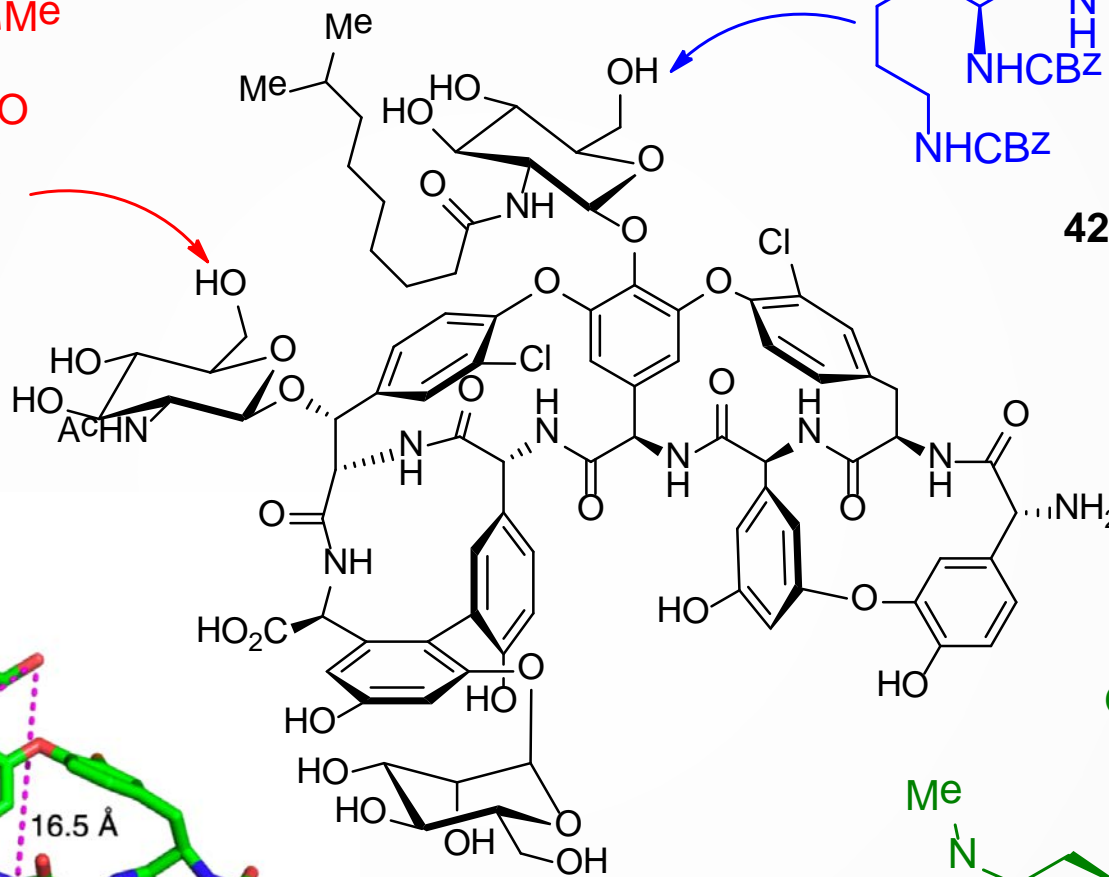
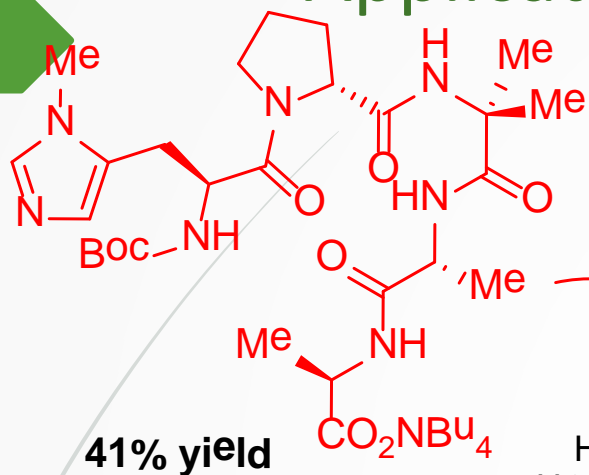
# Application on Erythromycin A



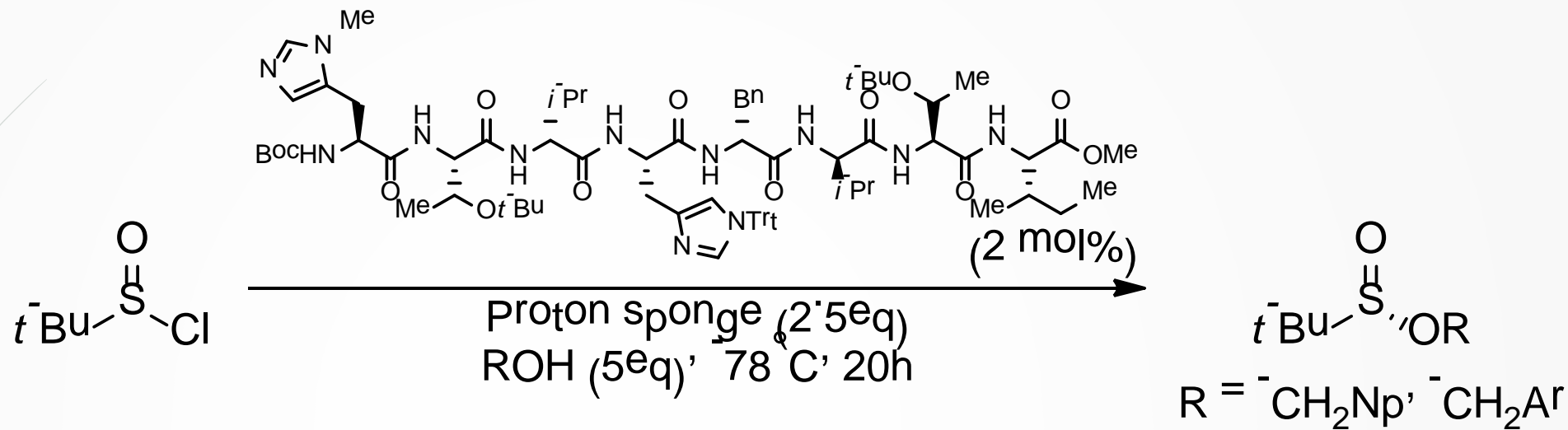
# Regioselective phosphorylation



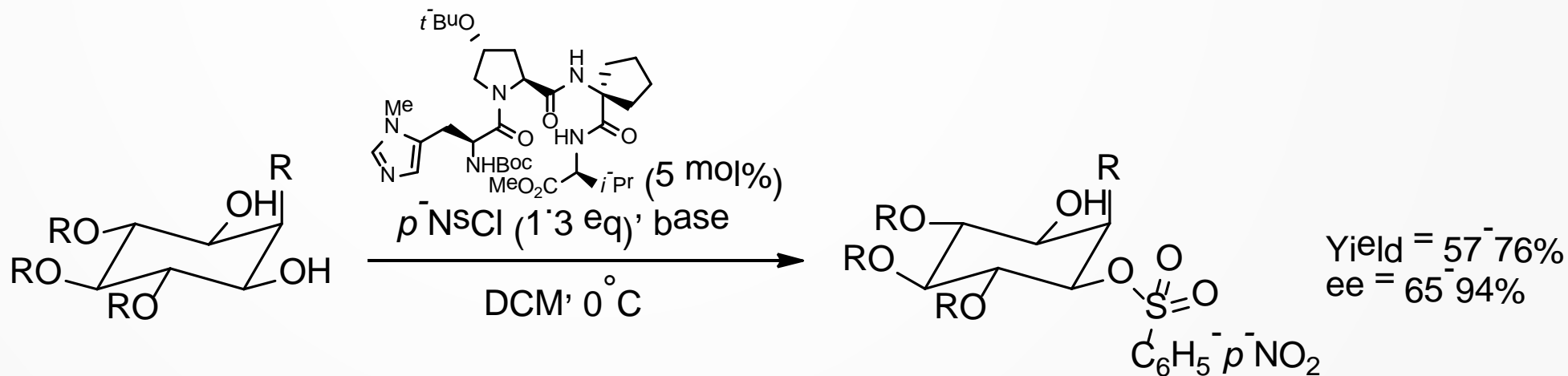
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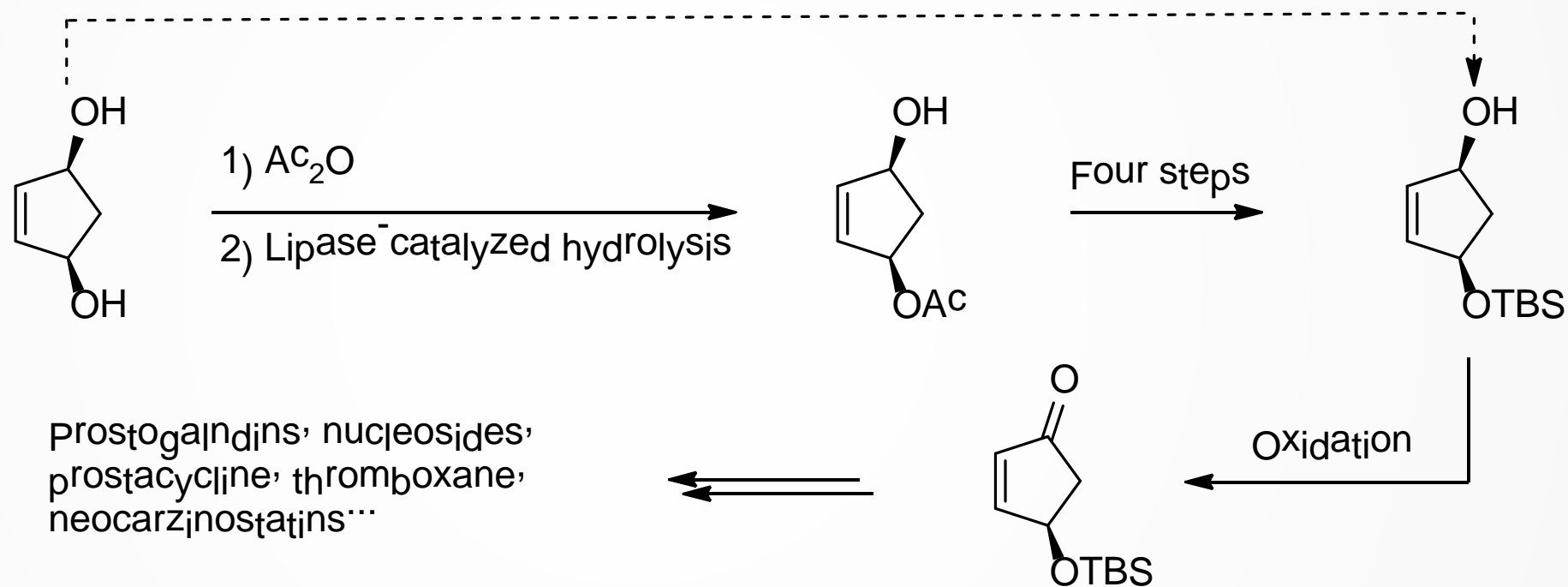
# When a concept works...



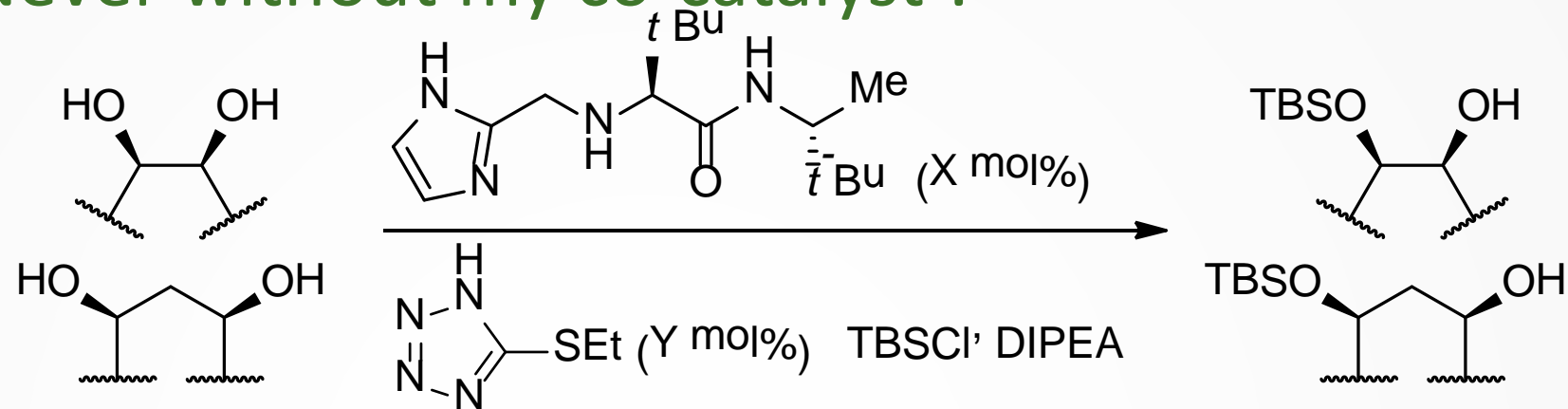
Dynamic Kinetic Resolution via epimerization



# The three musketeers : C, P, S and... Si



# Never without my co-catalyst !



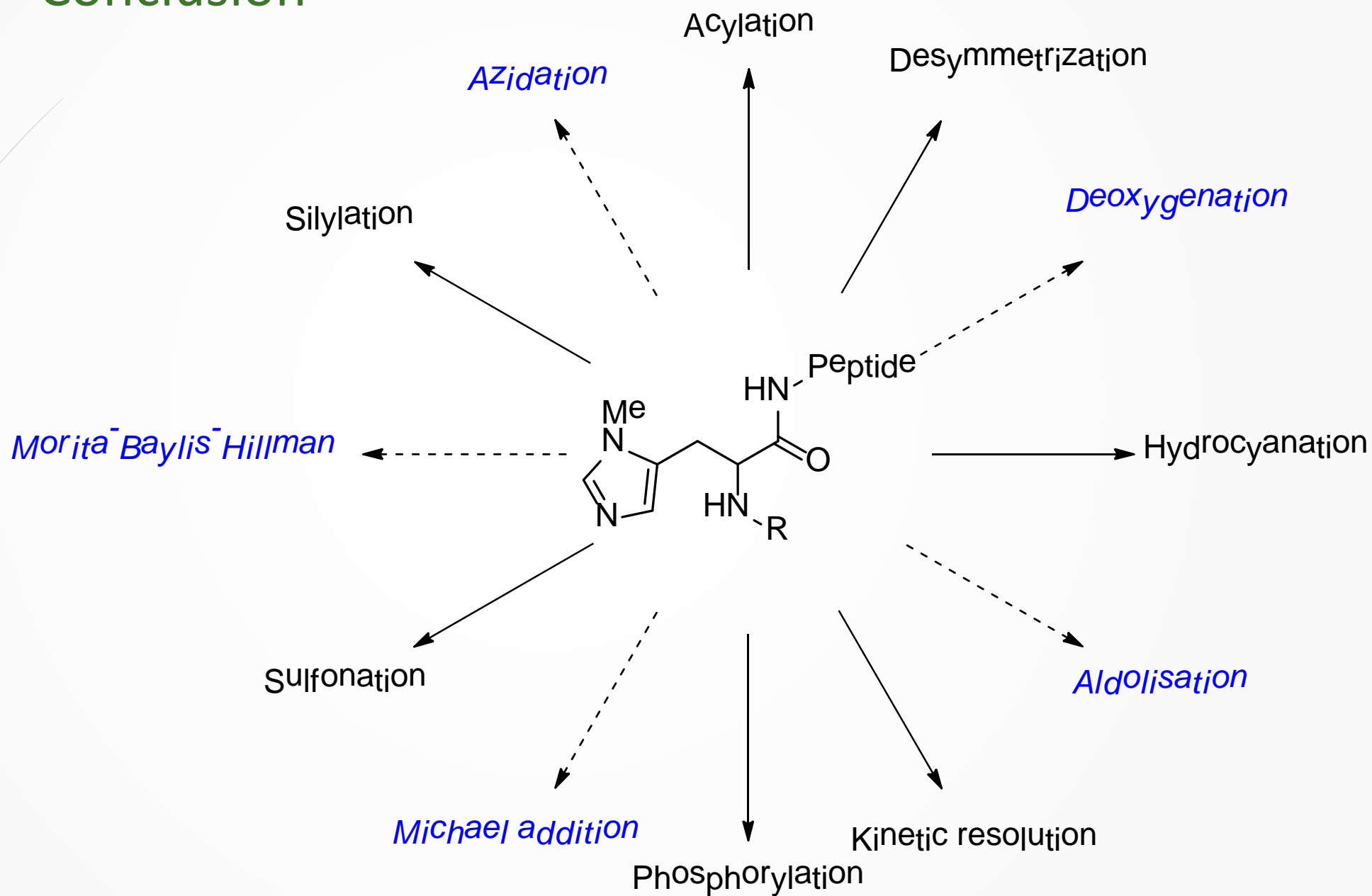
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	20	7.5	1	-40	93	94
	30	None	72	-40	75	94
	20	7.5	1	-40	82	95
	30	None	120	-40	96	95
	20	7.5	1	-40	96	95
	30	None	24	-30	<10	N.D.
	20	7.5	12	-40	93	90

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# Conclusion



## Question time

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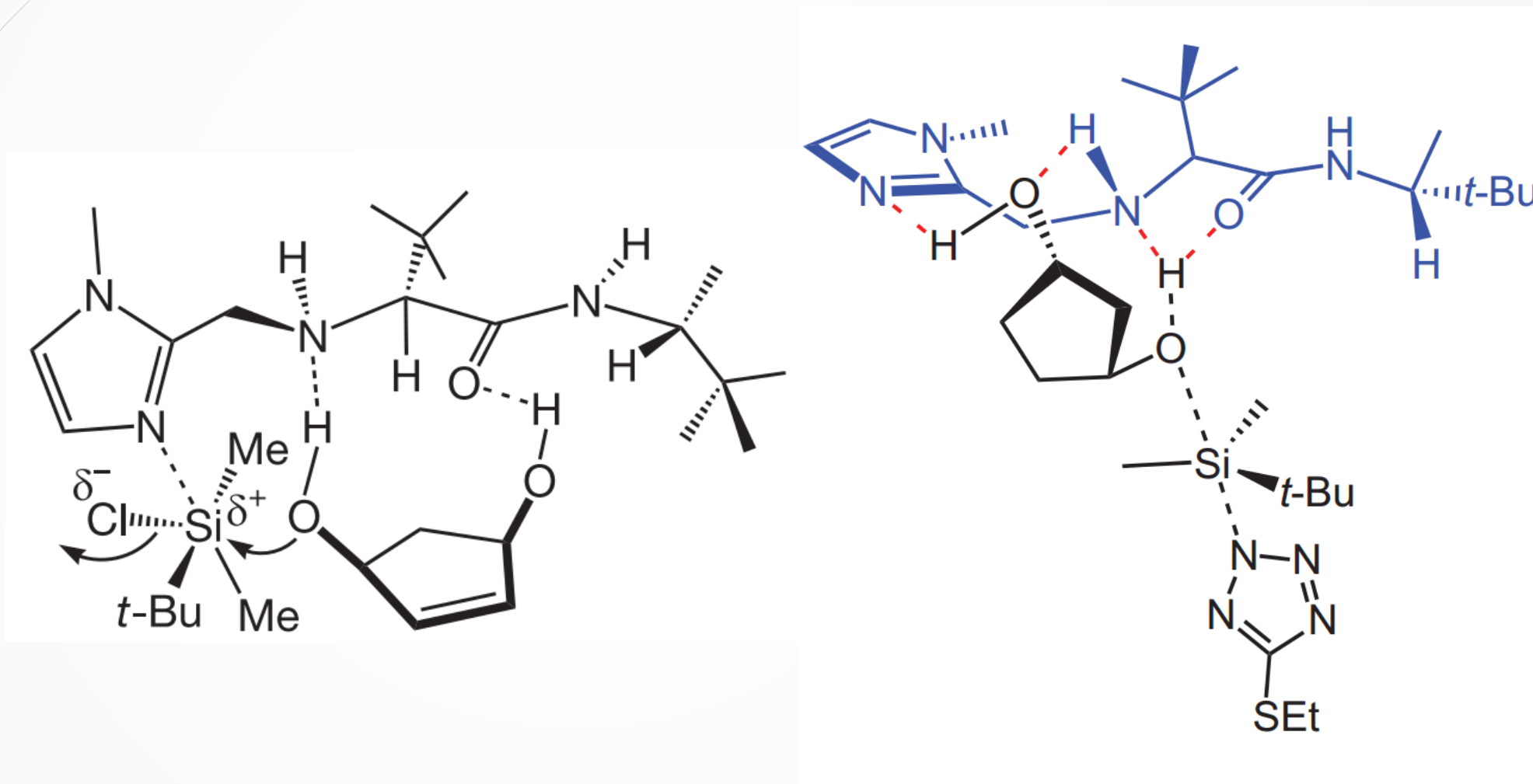


What are advantages of small peptide catalysts over enzymes ?

- Easier diversification (bigger libraries)
- Less substrate selective
- Allow straightforward strategy
- Faster reactions
- Can work better
- Better tolerance to organic solvent
- Histidine can play more than only basic role

Can you explain the role of the co-catalyst in silylation work ?

# Rationalization of co-catalyst role



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