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## **Statistics**

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### **OL 2001 facts:**

- 4325 pages
- 2188 published articles
- 117 articles with title „Total Synthesis“

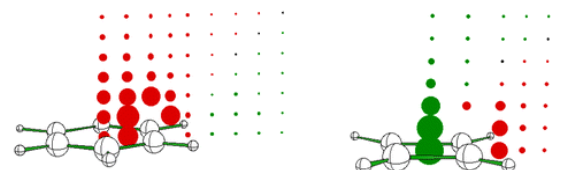
### **Most prolific authors:**

- Daniel H. Rich (14)
- Amos B. Smith (14)
- Elias J. Corey (13)
- Luis Castedo (13)
- Raymond L. Funk (12)
- Paul J. Reider (12)

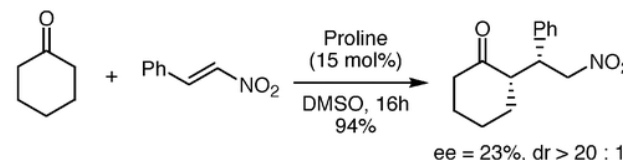
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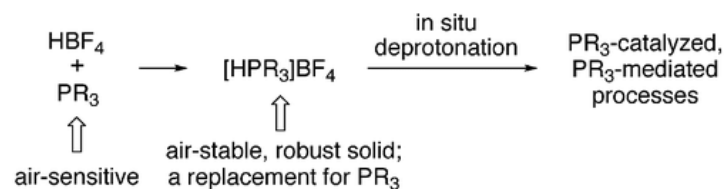
- Dissected Nucleus-Independent Chemical Shift Analysis of n-Aromaticity and Antiaromaticity (*Paul von Ragué Schleyer*); 2465 - 2468  
citings: **519**



- Efficient proline-catalyzed Michael additons of unmodified ketones to nitro olefins (*Benjamin List*); 2423 - 2425  
citings: **488**



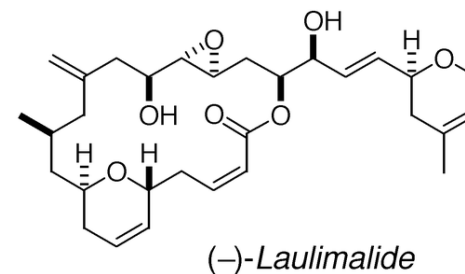
- Air-Stable Trialkylphosphonium Salts: Simple, Practical, and Versatile Replacement for Air-Sensitive Trialkylphosphines (*Gregory C. Fu*); 4295 - 4298  
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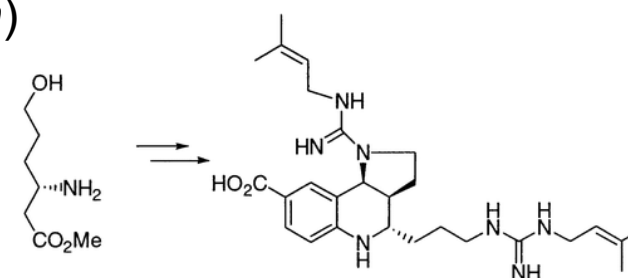
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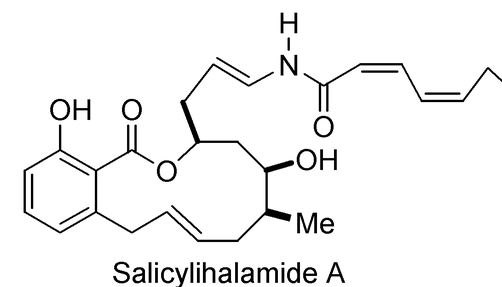
- Total Synthesis of the Microtubule-Stabilizing Agent (-)-Laulimalide (*Ian Paterson*); 3149 - 3152  
citations: **90**



- First Total Synthesis of Martinelllic Acid (*Dawei Ma*)  
2189 - 2191  
citations: **87**

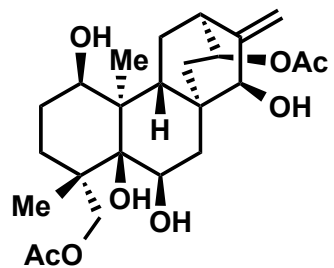


- Total Synthesis of (-)-Salicylhalamide A (*Barry B. Snider*)  
1817 - 1820  
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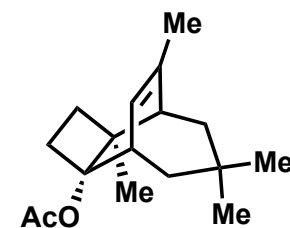
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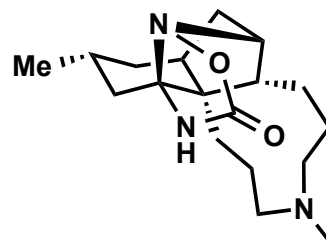
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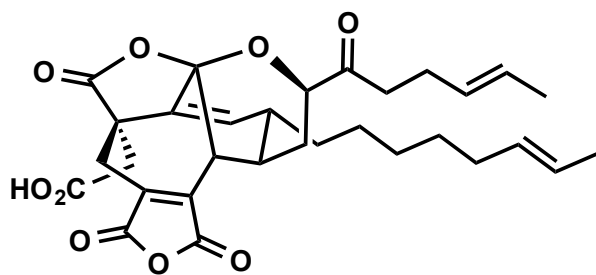
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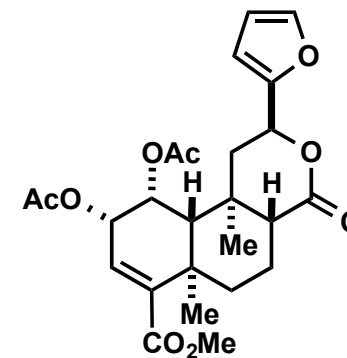
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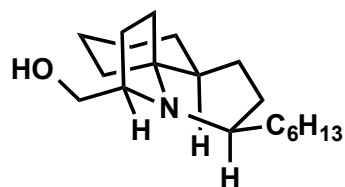
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**Total syntheses  
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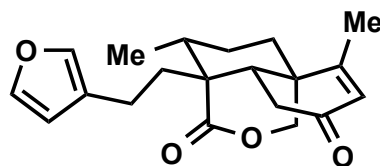
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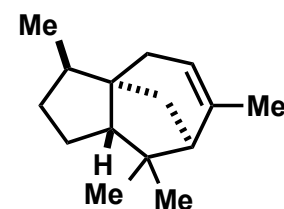
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Steven M. Weinreb, 3507 - 3510

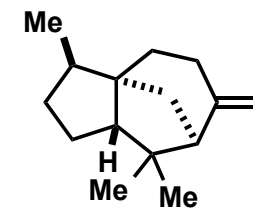


(±) - Sacacarin (7)

Robert B. Grossman, 4027 - 4030

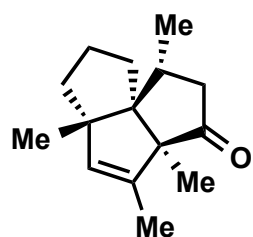


(±) -  $\alpha$ -Cedrene (8)



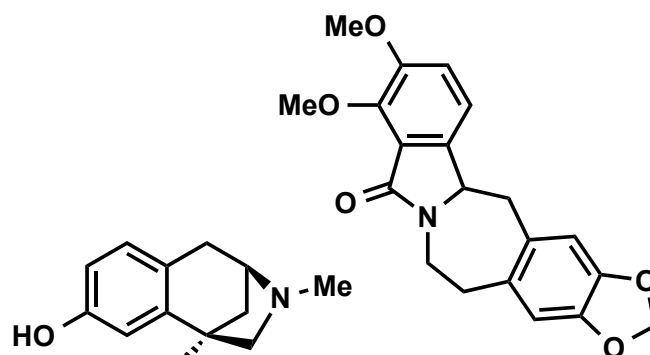
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William J. Kerr, 2945 - 2948

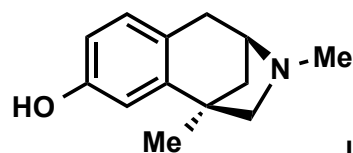


(+) - Aminocenone (10)

Kunio Ogasawara, 291 - 293

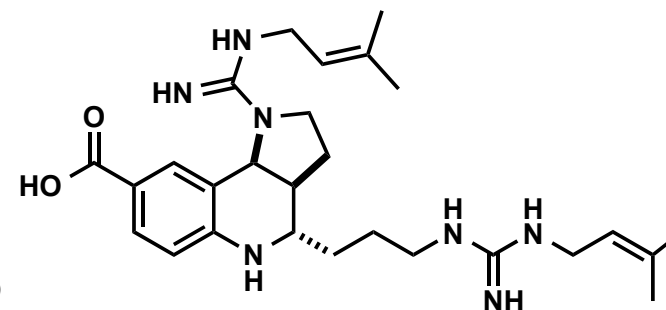


Lennoxamine (12)



Aphanorphine (11)

Raymond L. Funk, 3923 - 3925

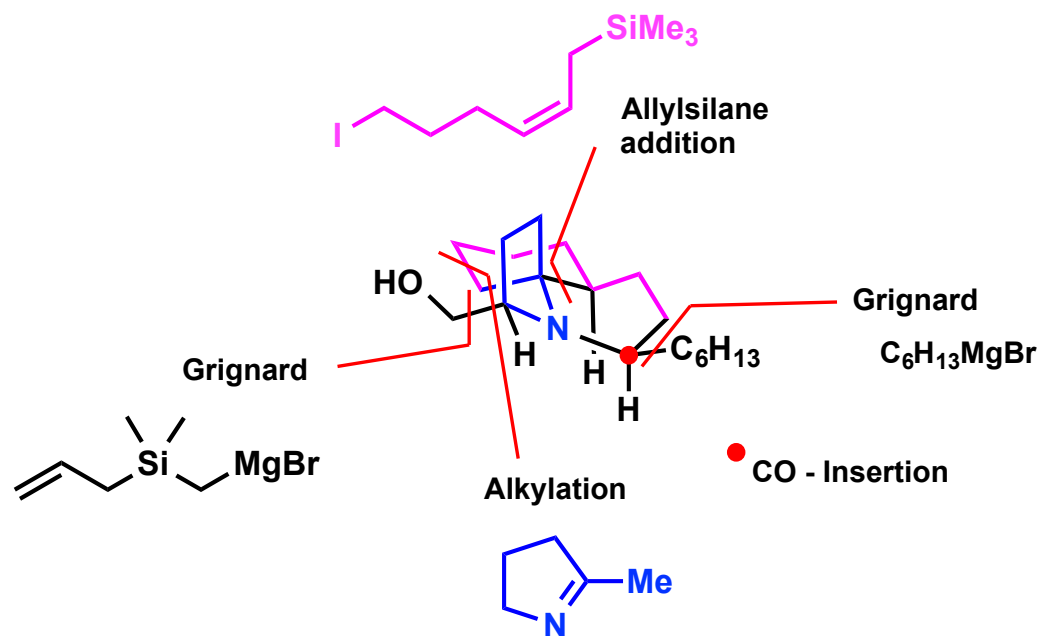


(±) - Martinelliacid (13)

Barry B. Snider, 4217 - 4220

## Lepadiformine

*Pu Sun, Cuixiang Sun, Steven M. Weinreb, No. 22, 3507 - 3510*

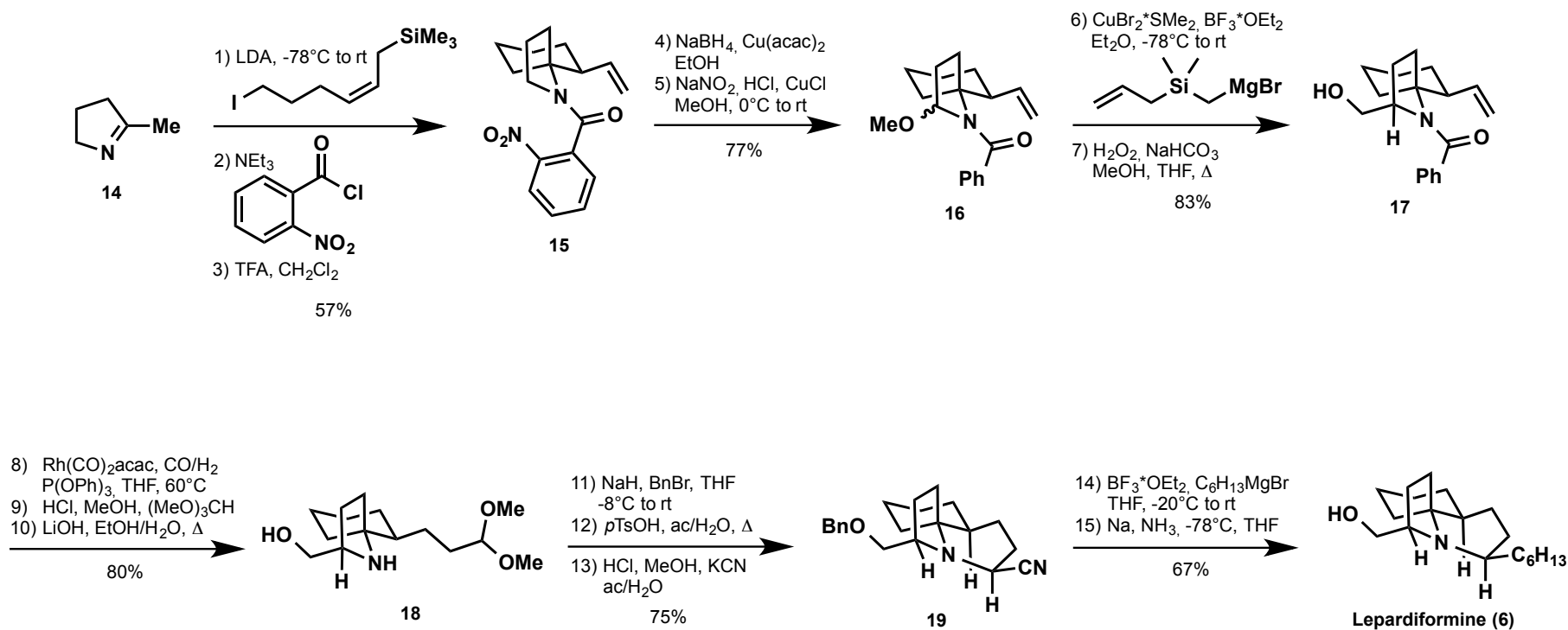


### Key features:

- Spirocyclization of allylsilane/*N*-acyliminium ion
- Radical-based  $\alpha$ -oxidation of an amide
- *N*-acyliminium ion additions

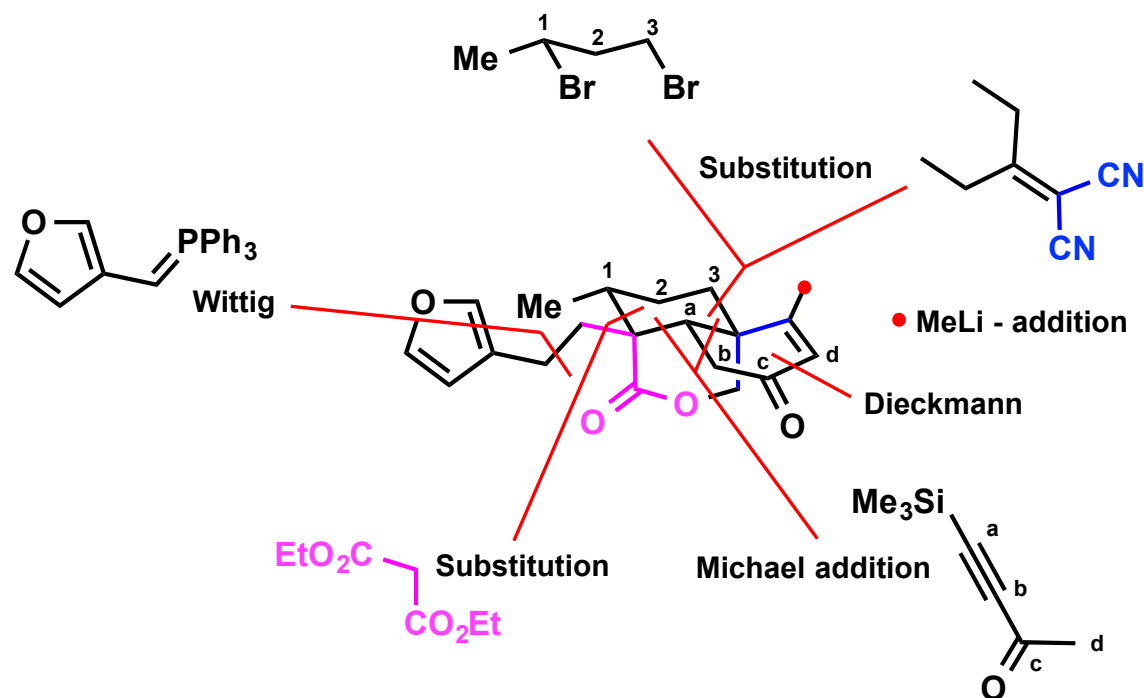


# Lepadiformine



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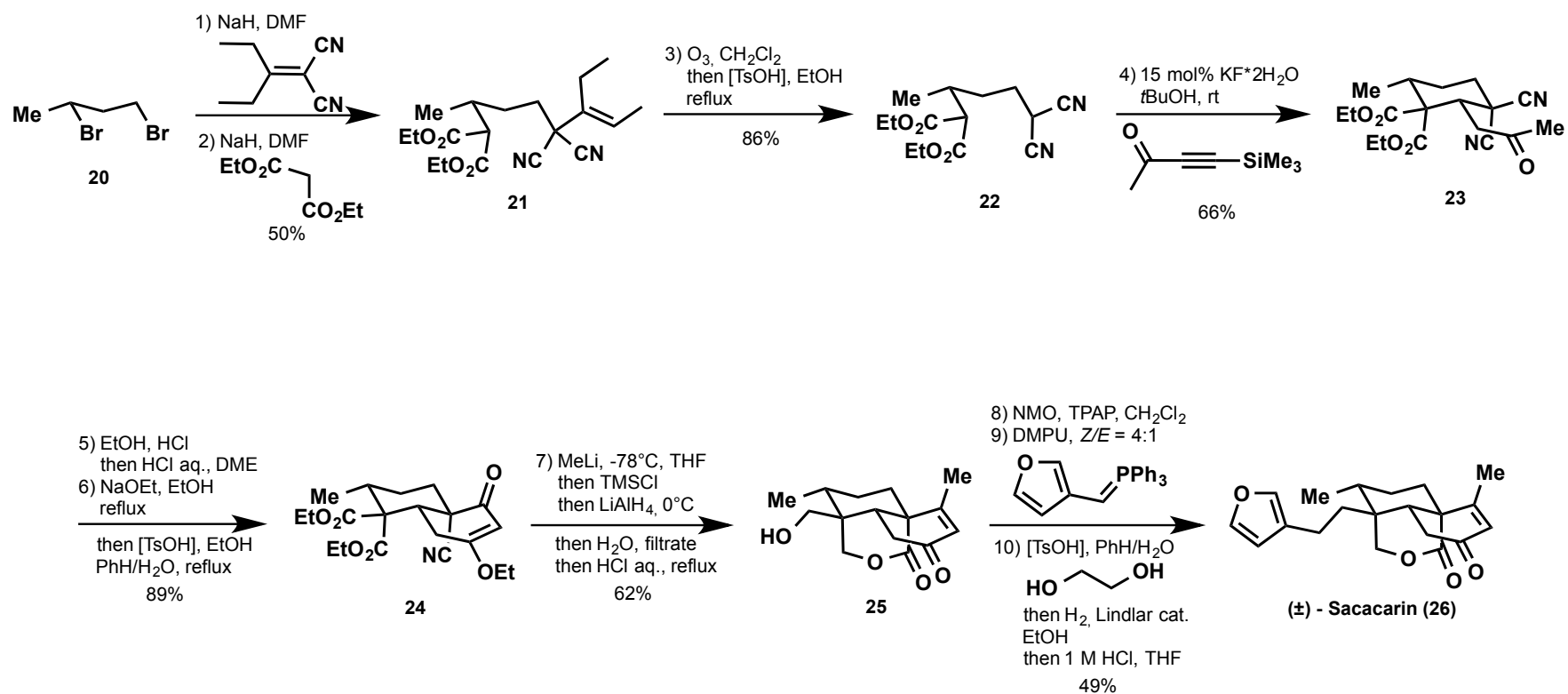
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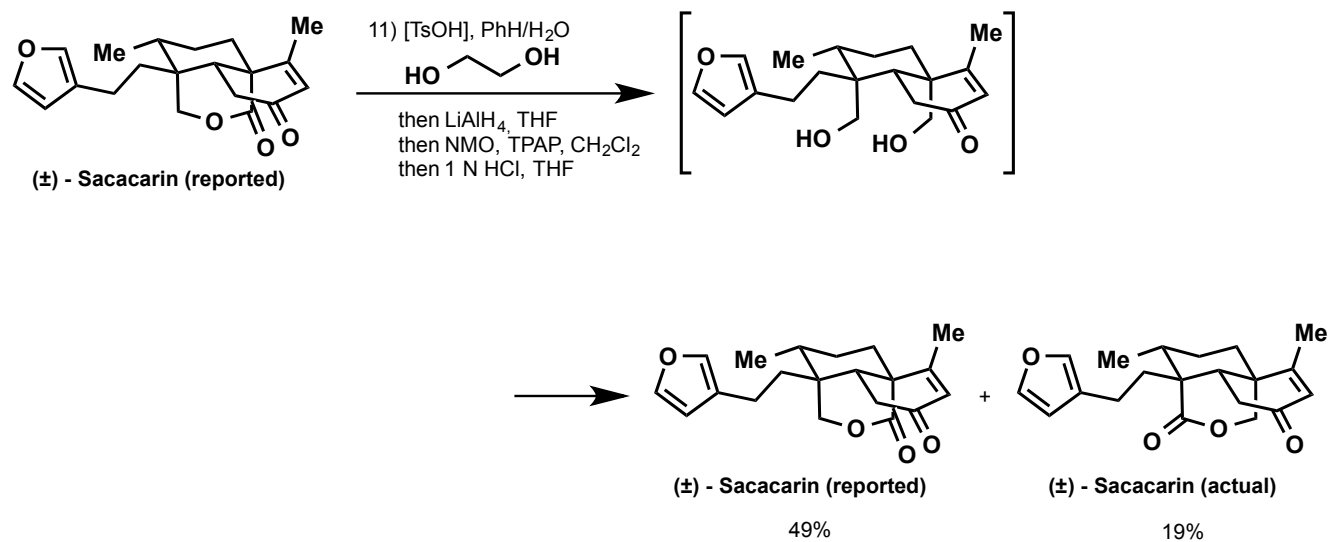
### Key features:

- Selective mono – alkylation of malonates
- Double annulation strategy

# (±) - Sacacarin

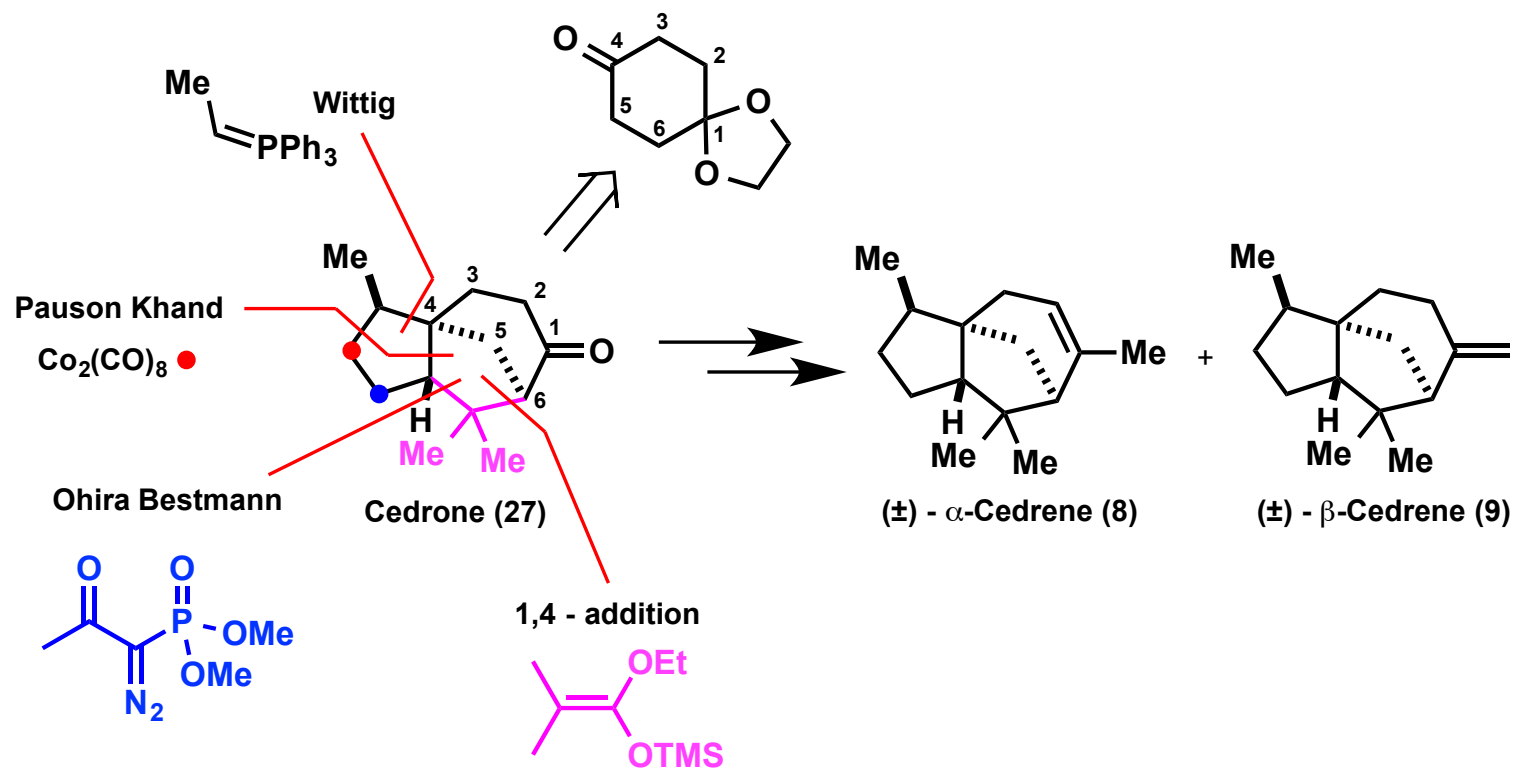


## (±) - Sacacarin



## Cedrone

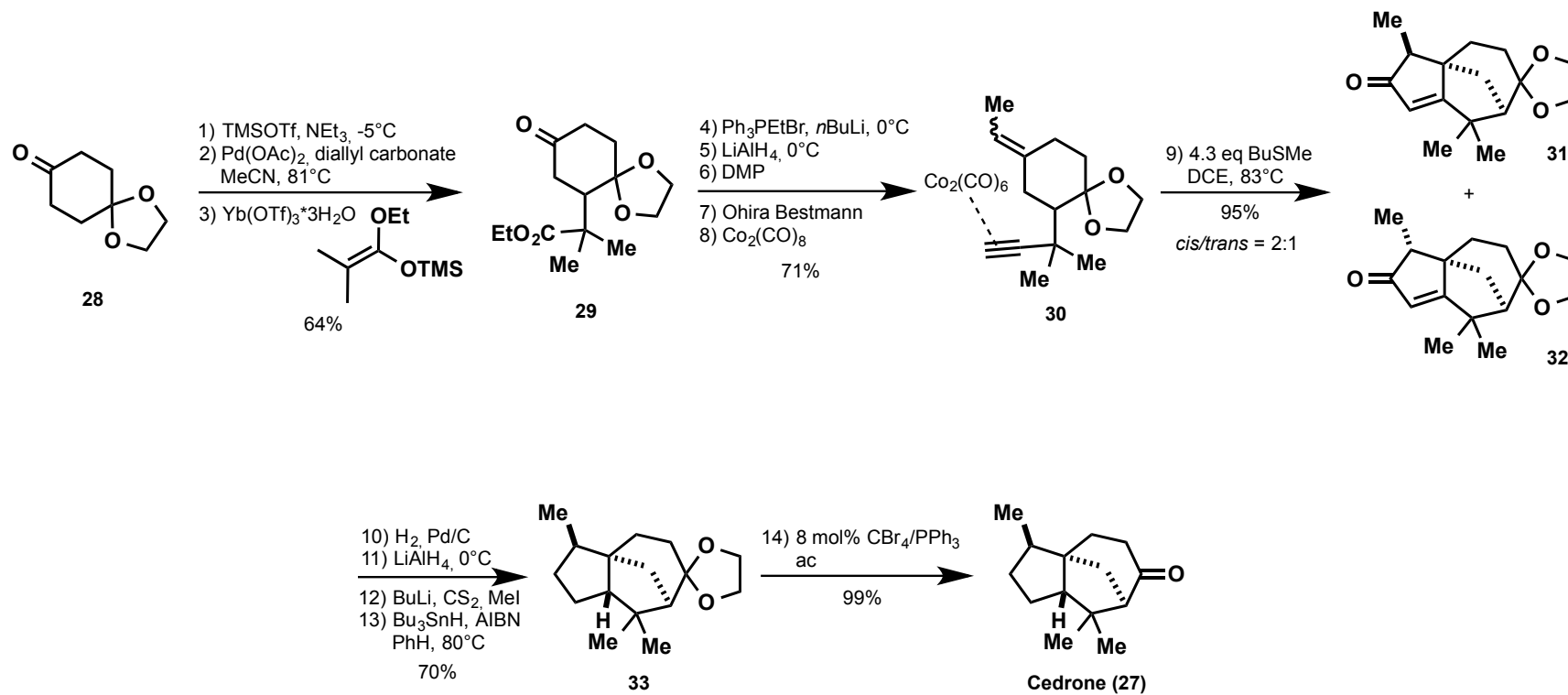
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### Key features:

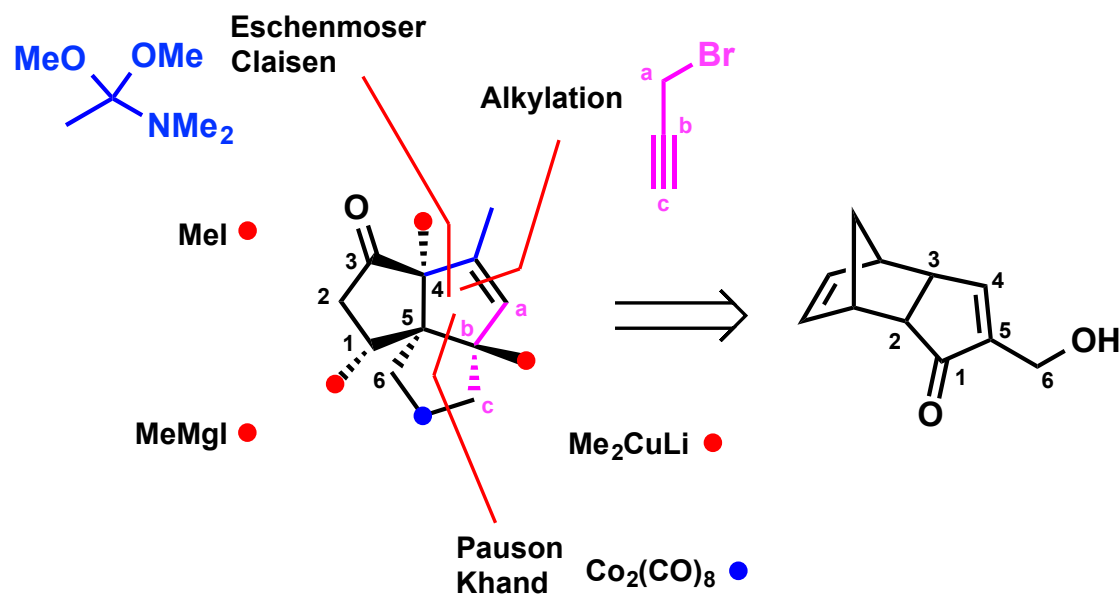
- Pauson Khand reaction

# Cedrone



## (+) - Arnicenone

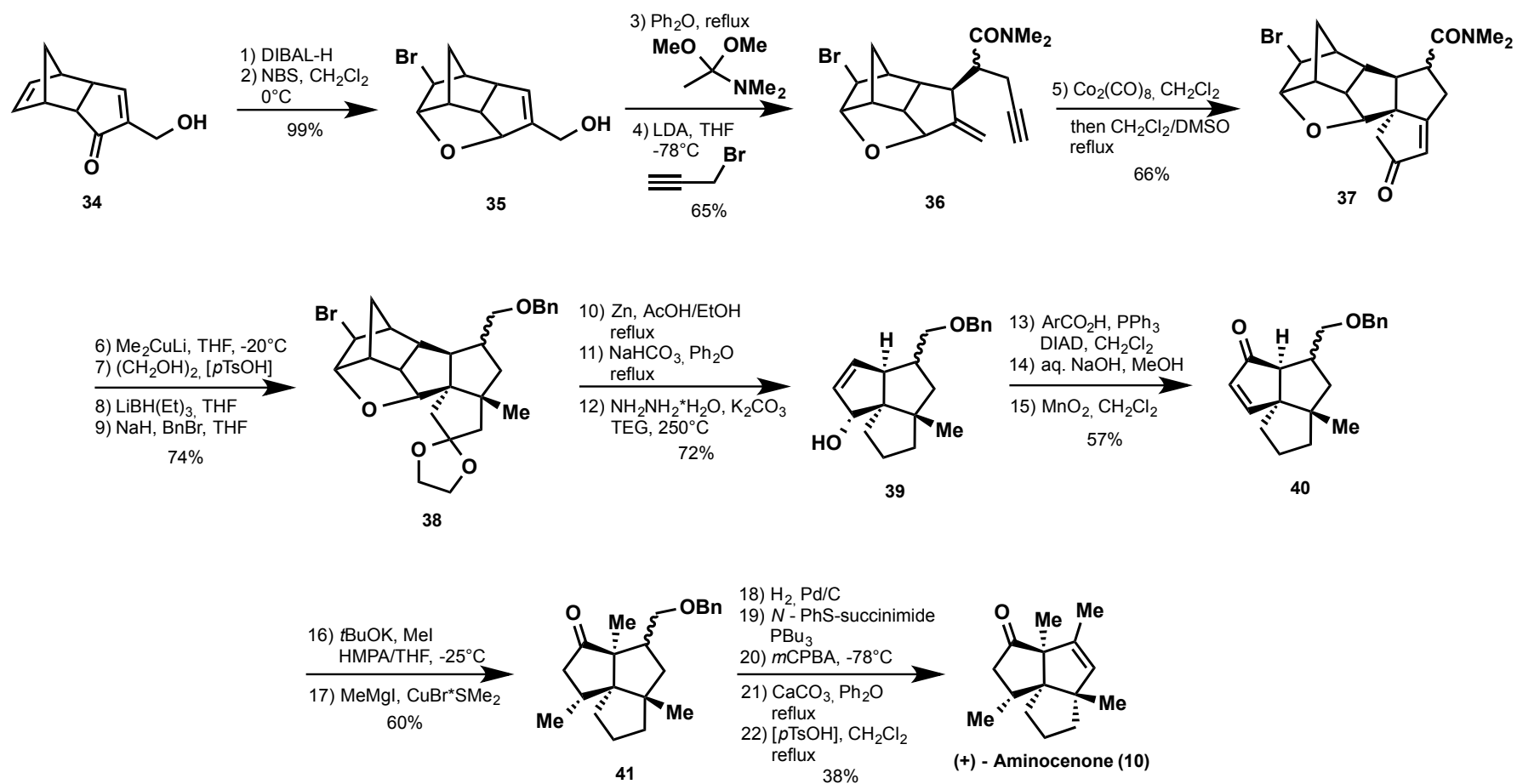
Yosuke Iura, Tsutomu Sugahara, Kunio Ogasawara, No. 2, 291 - 293



### Key features:

- Pauson Khand reaction
- Eschenmoser Claisen rearrangement
- Chirality transfer via DA / retro-DA

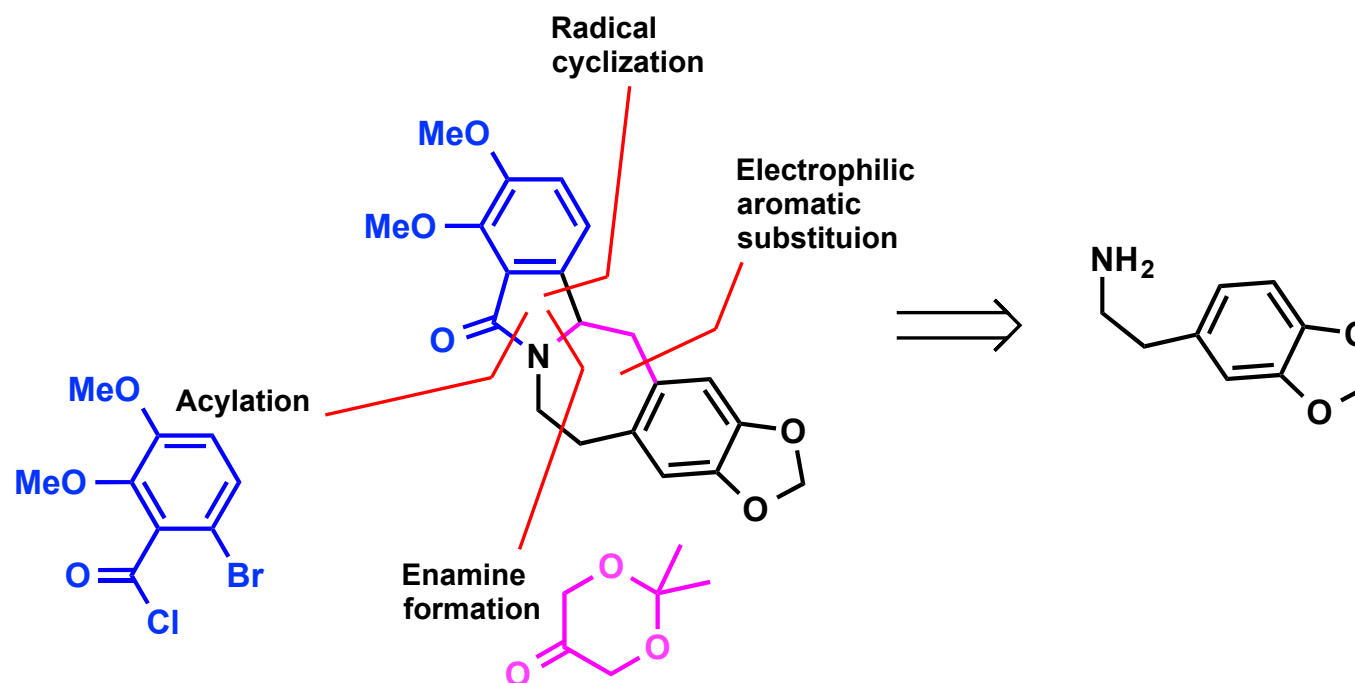
# (+) - Arnicenone





## (±) - Lennoxamine

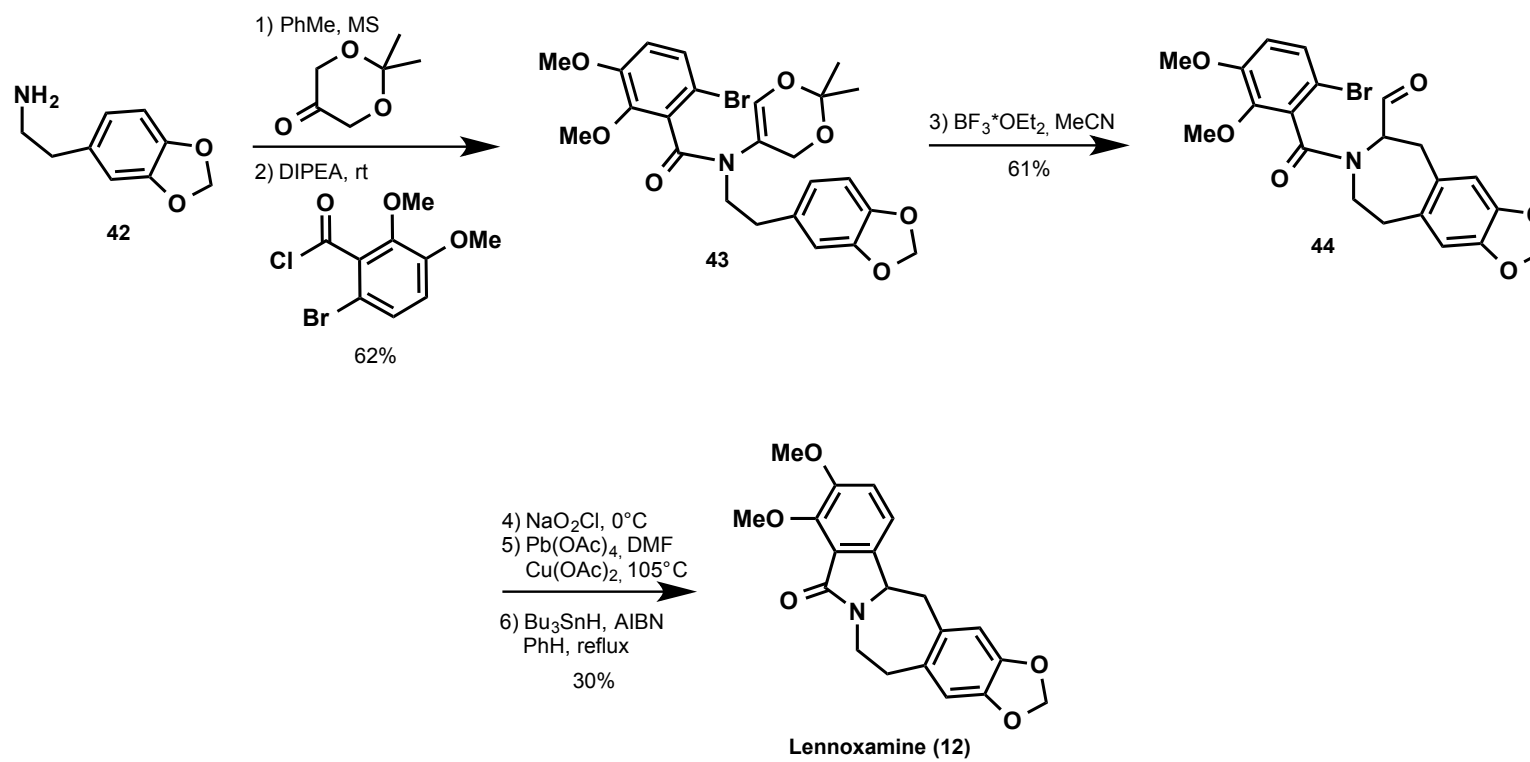
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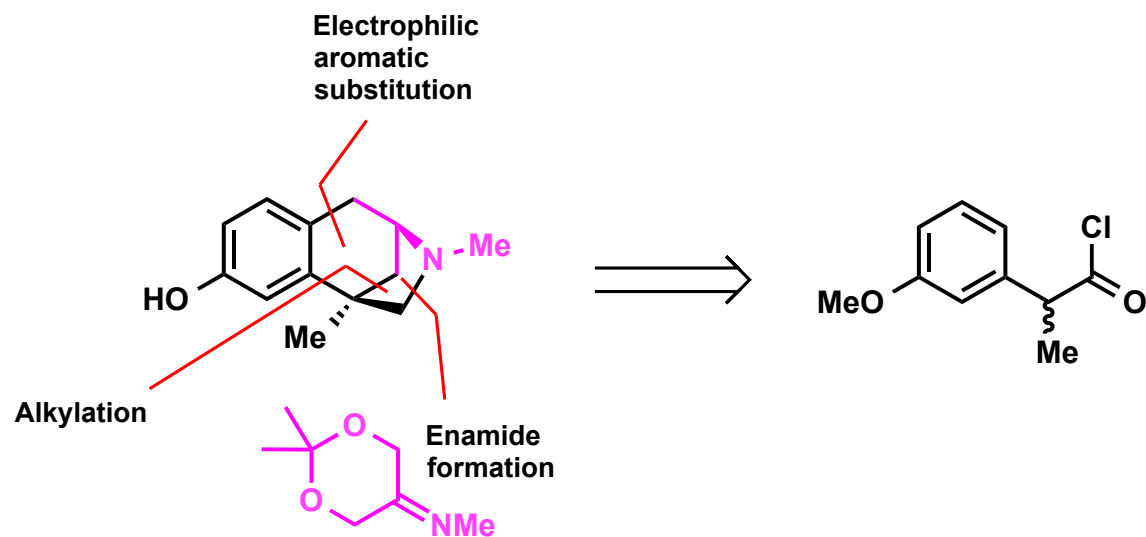
- Masked acrolein-unit
- Electrophilic aromatic substitution

## (±) - Lennoxamine



## (±) - Aphanorphine

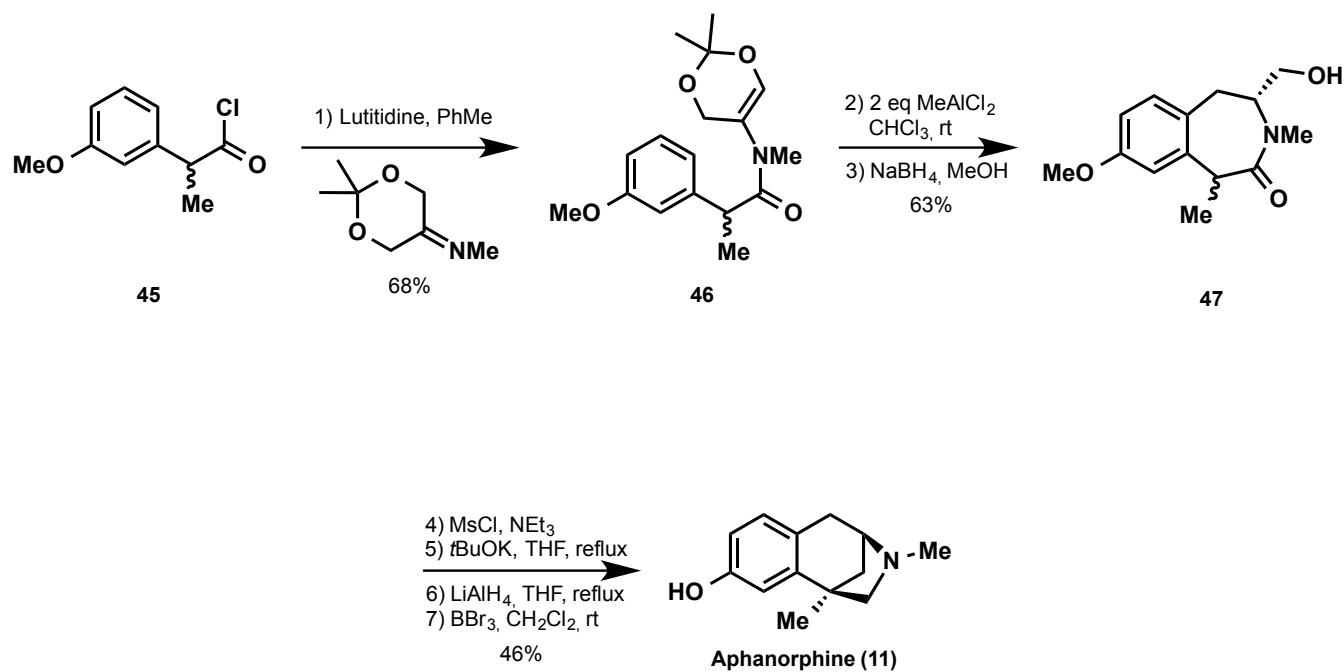
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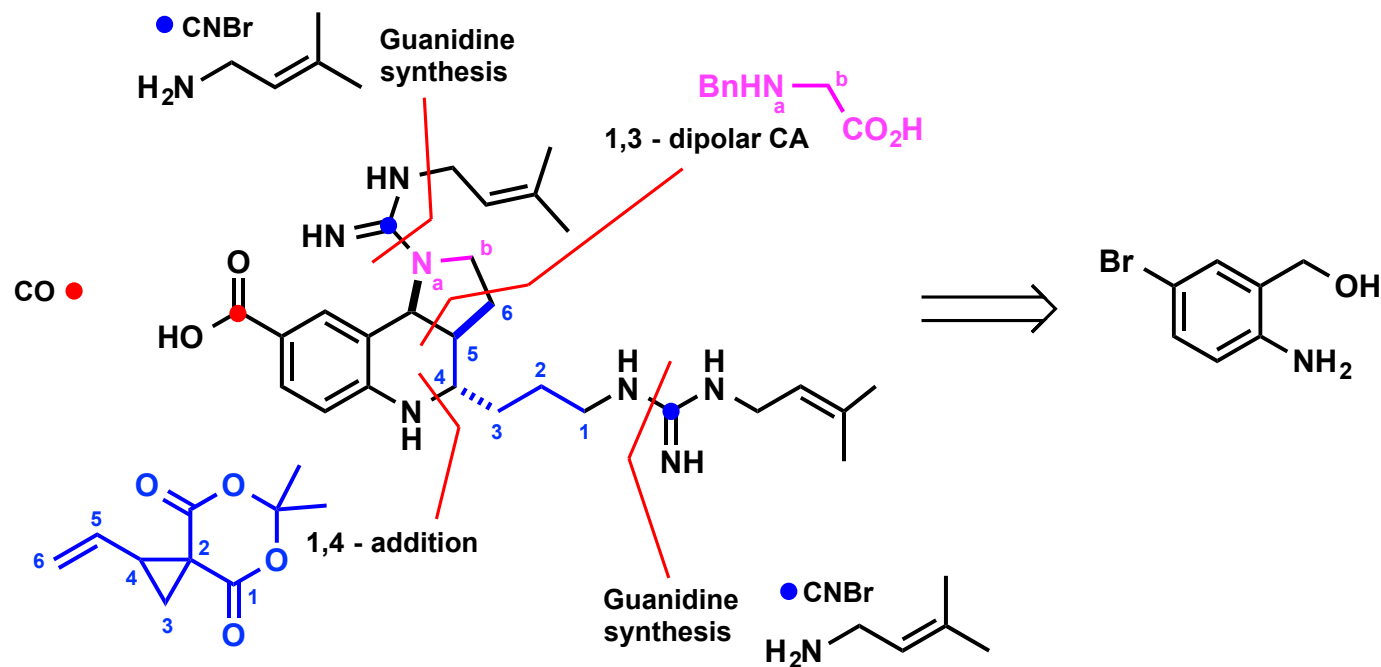
- Masked acrolein-unit
- Electrophilic aromatic substitution

## (±) - Aphanorphine



## (±) – Martinelliac Acid

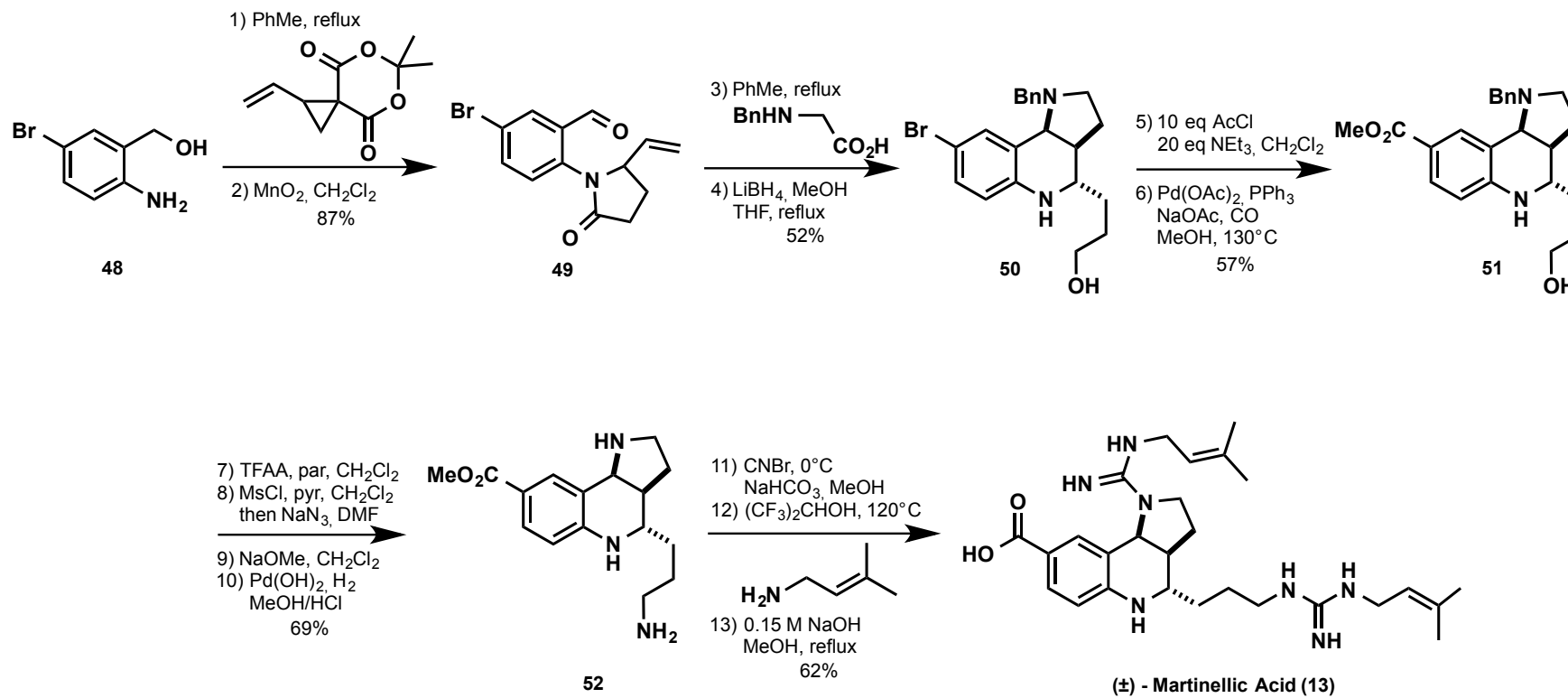
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### Key features:

- Vinyl – pyrrolidinone synthesis
- Azomethine ylide 1,3 – dipolar CA
- Guanidine synthesis

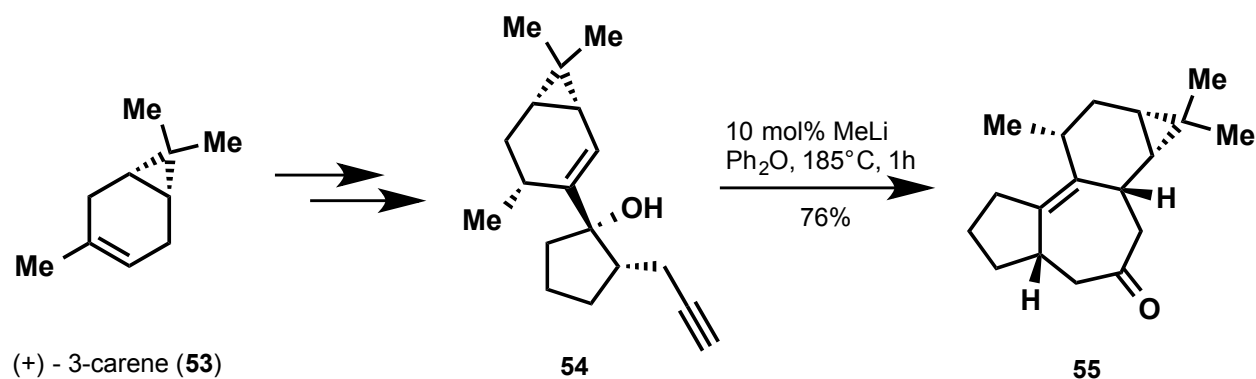
# (±) – Martinellic Acid



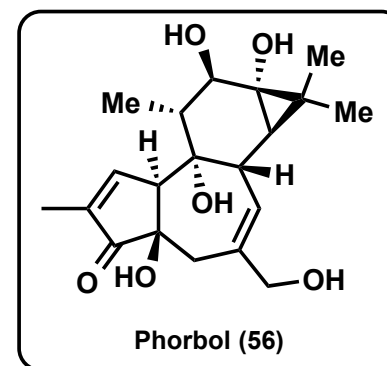
# **Core structures & Key steps**

### 5-7-6-3 Tigliane ring system

Meghan A. Flynn, Sarah E. Reisman, Timo V. Ovaska, No. 1, 115 - 117



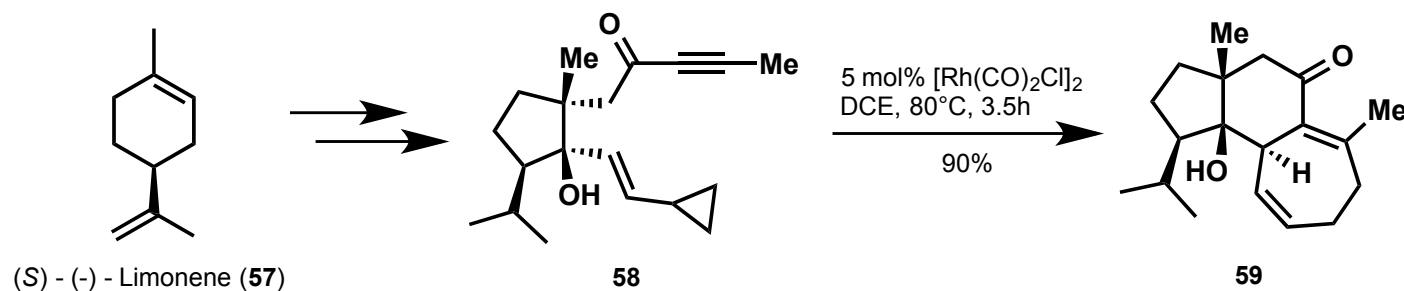
**tandem 5-exo-dig cyclization / Claisen rearrangement**



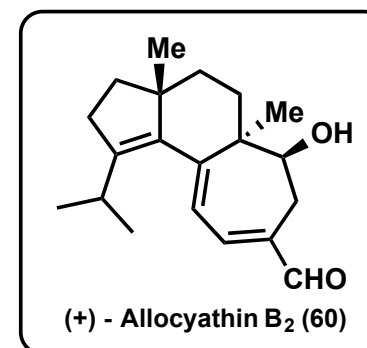


## Cyathane Diterpenes

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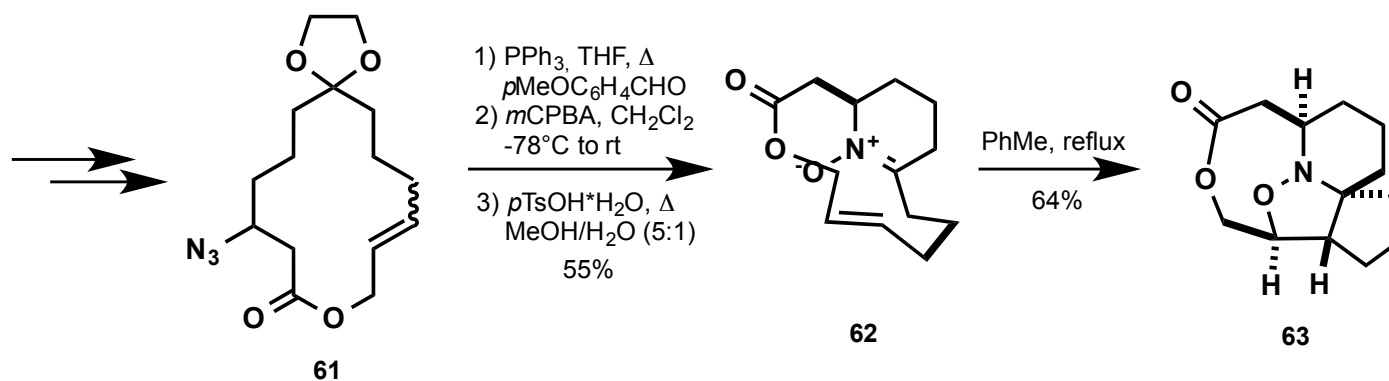


### Intramolecular [5+2] - cycloaddition

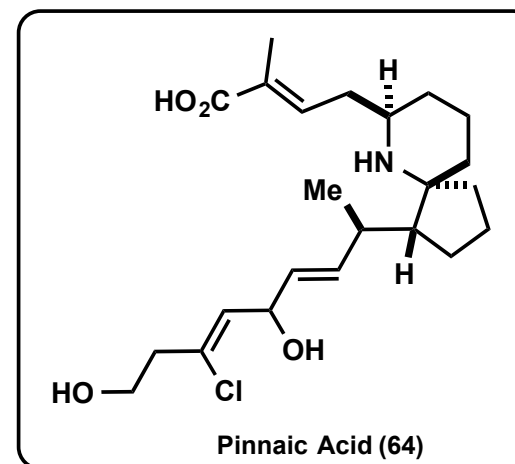


## Pinnaic acid core

Alexandre F. T. Yokochi, Eric A. Korf, Paul R. Blakemore, James D. White,  
No. 3, 413 - 415

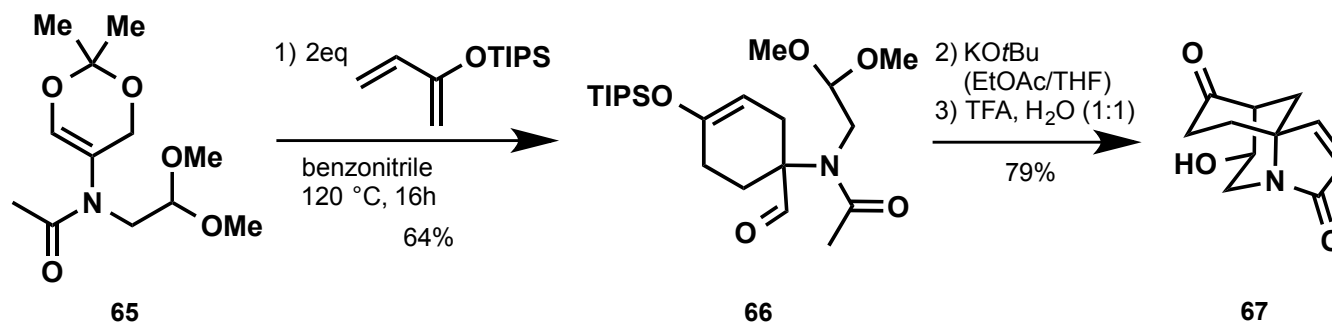


**Nitronium formation**  
**Dipolar [3+2] cycloaddition**

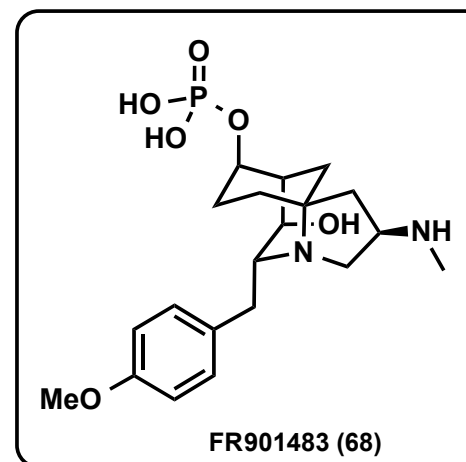


## FR901483 core

*Jun-Ho Maeng, Raymond L. Funk, No. 8, 1125 - 1128*



**Acrolein synthone for Diels Alder**  
**Two sequential Aldol cyclizations**

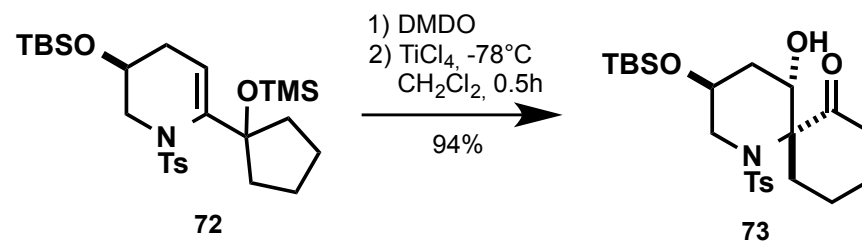
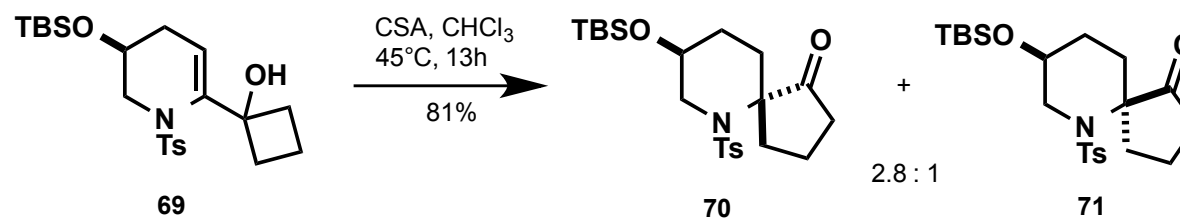


# Methodologies

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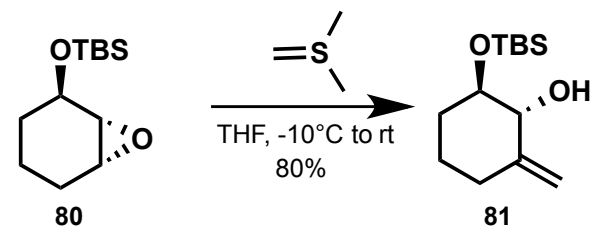
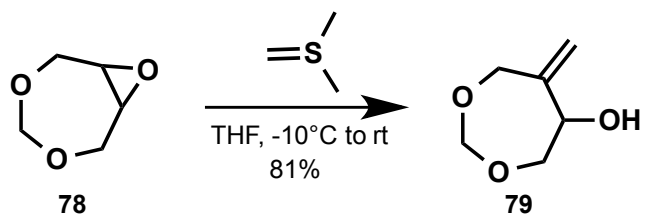
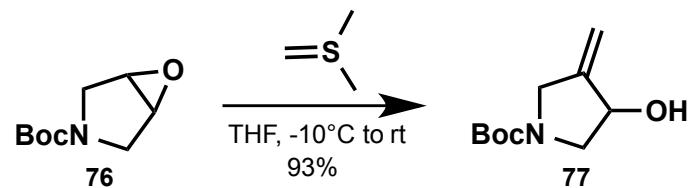
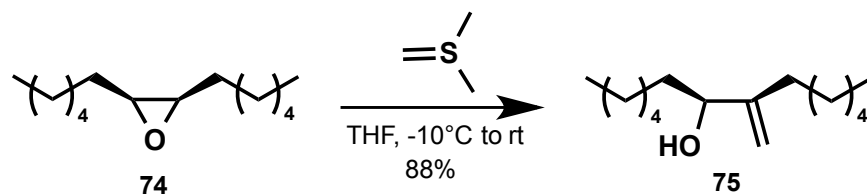
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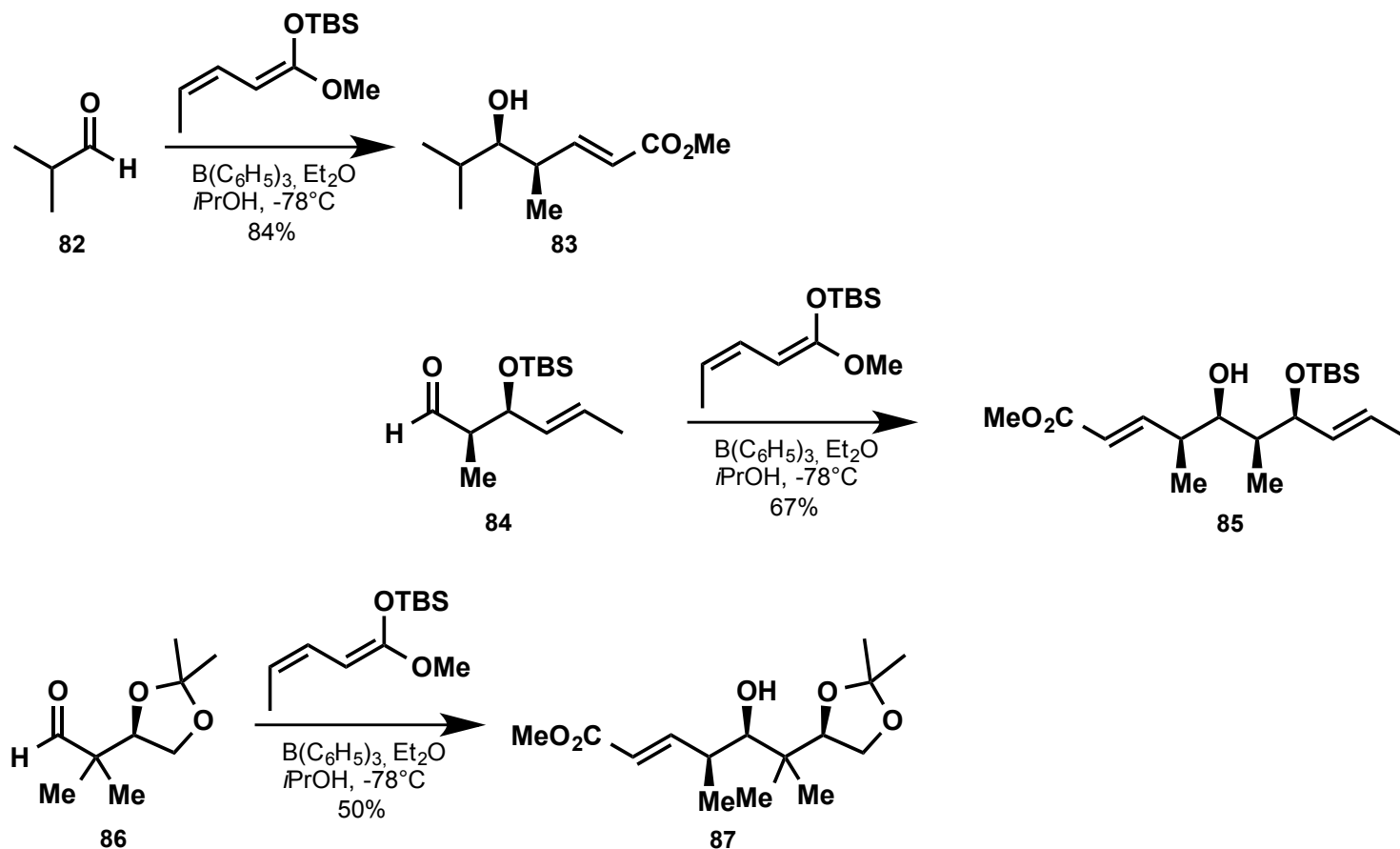
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Elizabeth Kinchin, Andrew Cridland, Lilian Alcaraz, No. 25, 4051 - 4053



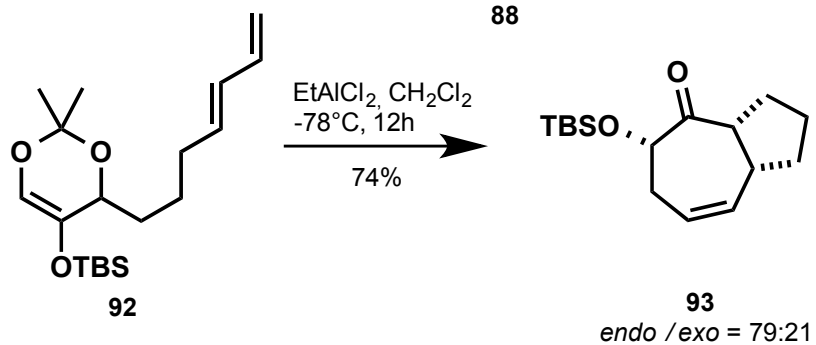
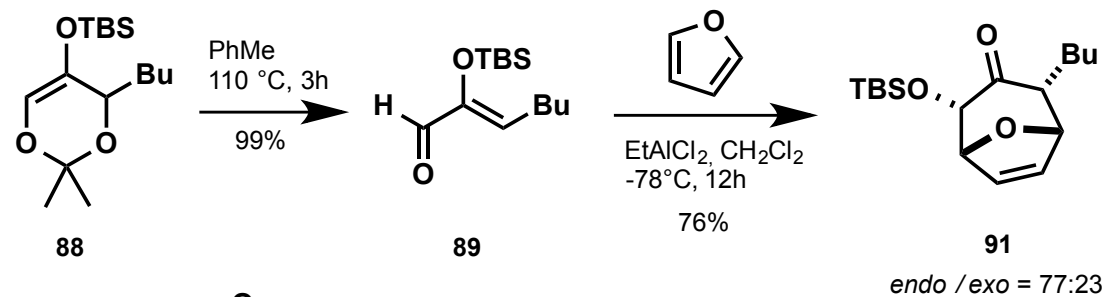
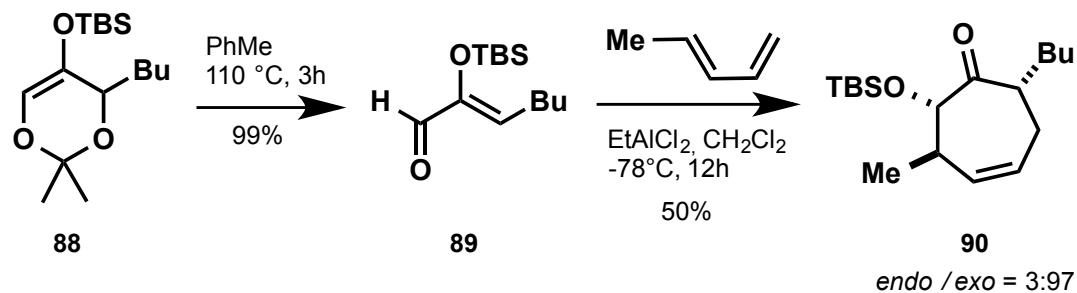
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Jorma Hassfeld, Mathias Christmann, Markus Kalesse, No. 22, 3561 - 3564



## LA – catalyzed [4 + 3] - cyclizations

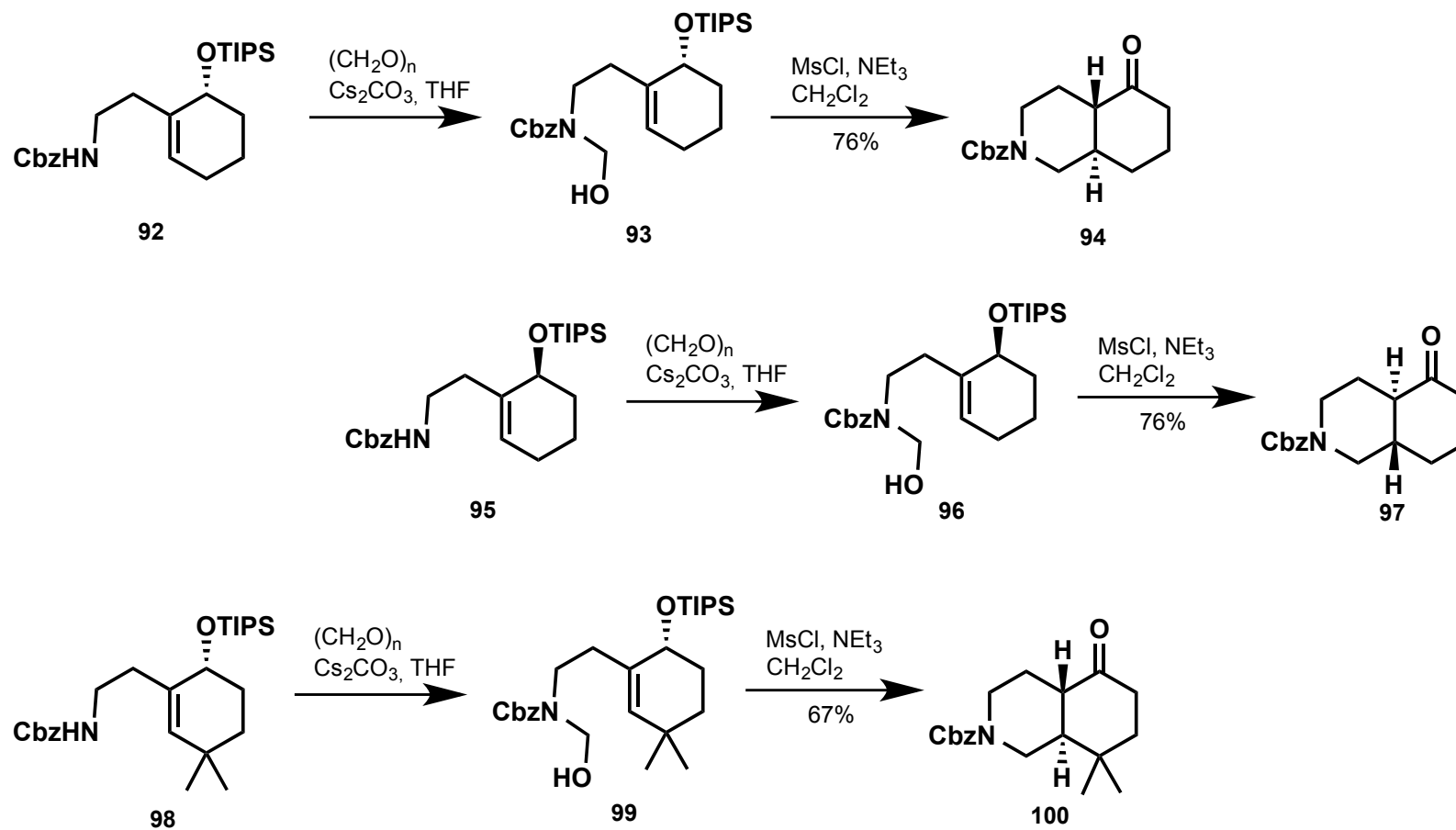
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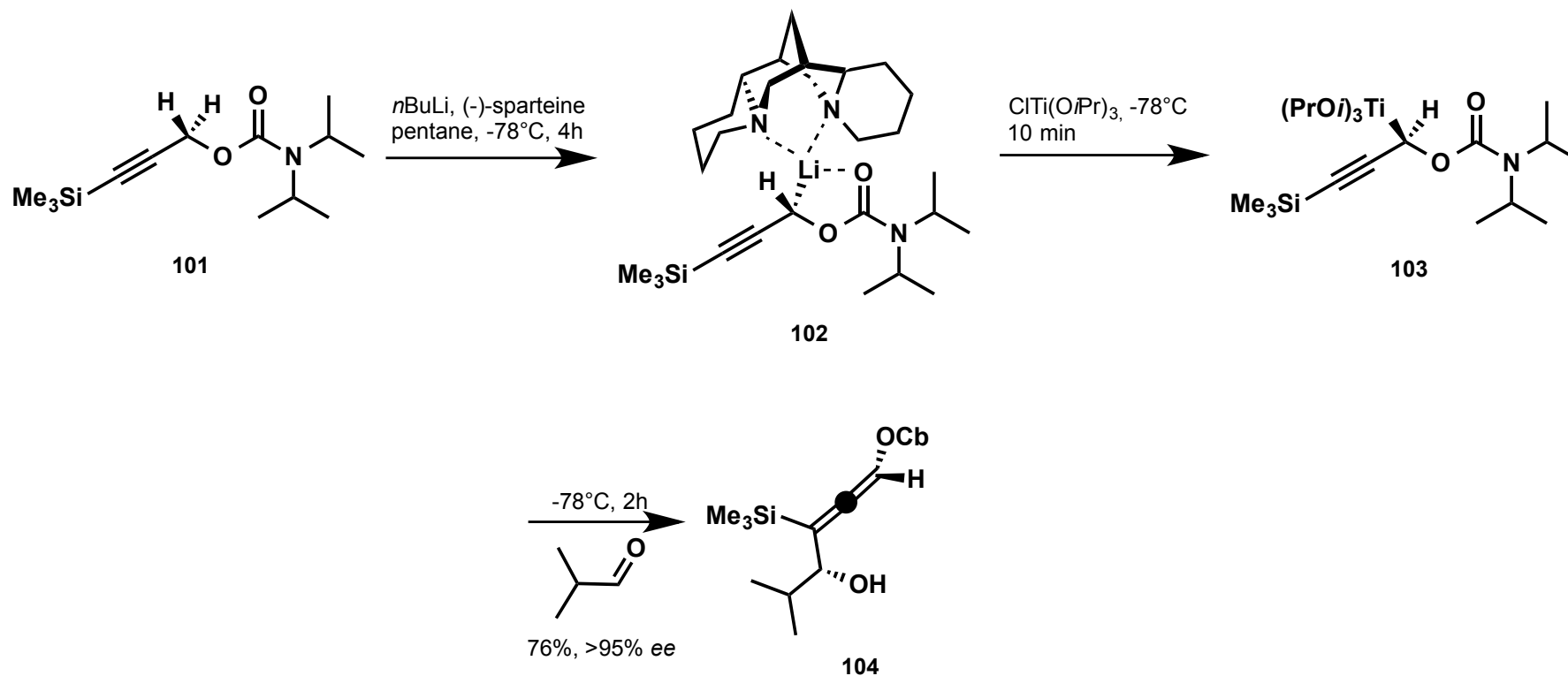
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Asayuki Kamatani, Larry E. Overman, No. 8, 1229 - 1232



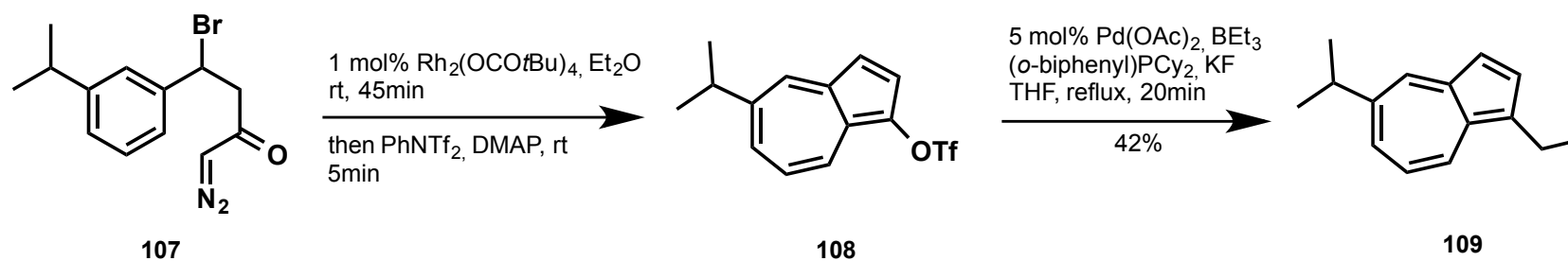
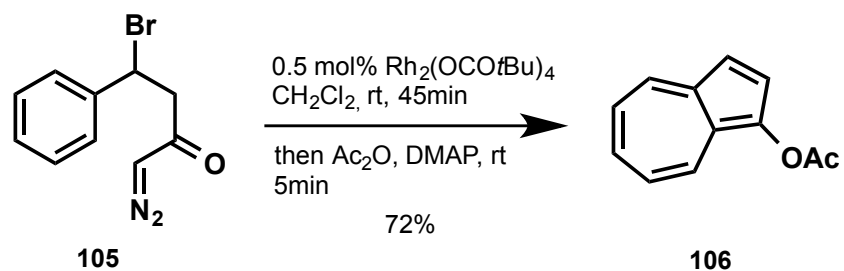
## Allenes by (-) – Sparteine mediated lithiation

Carsten Schulz-Fademrecht, Birgit Wibbeling, Roland Fröhlich, Dieter Hoppe, No. 8, 1221 - 1224



## Substituted Azulenes

John L. Kane, Kevin M. Shea, Aimee L. Crombie, Rick L. Danheiser, No. 7,  
1081 - 1084



***Questions  
&  
Answers***

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