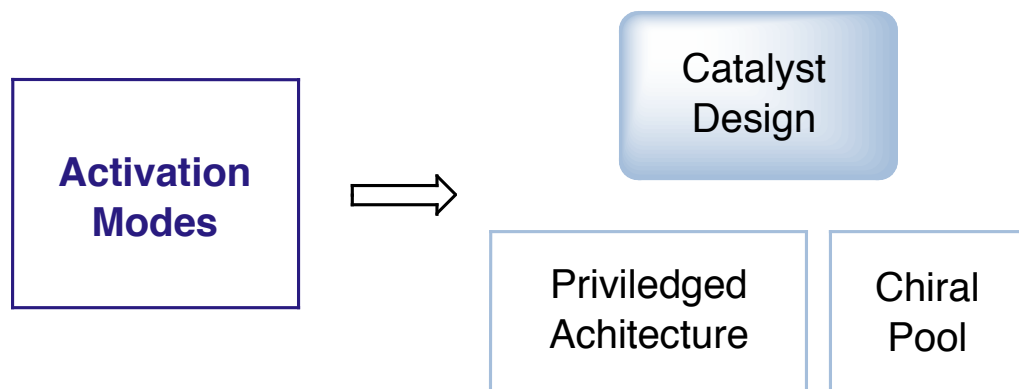


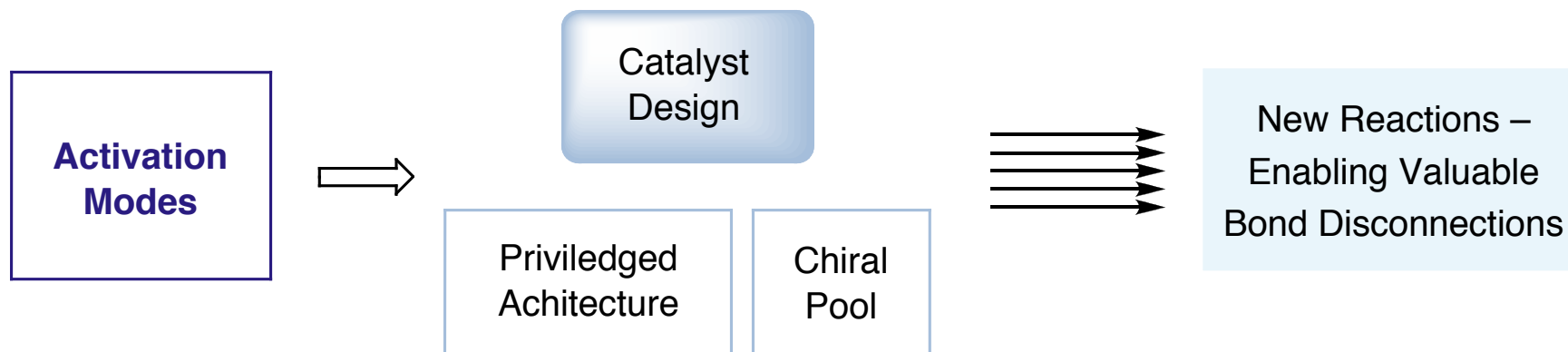
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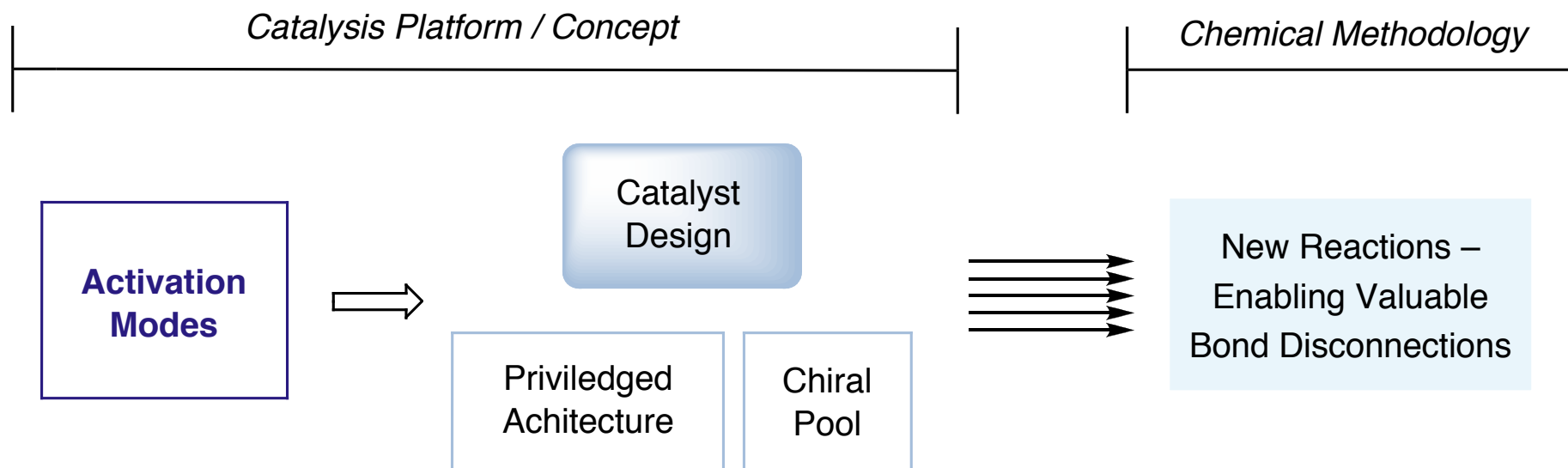
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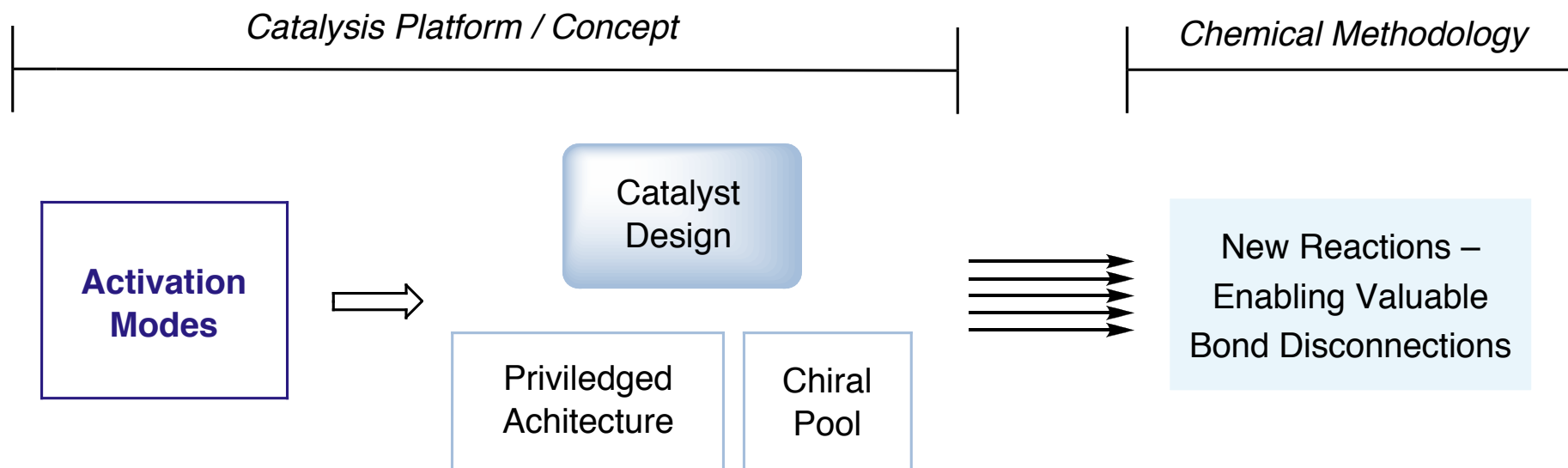
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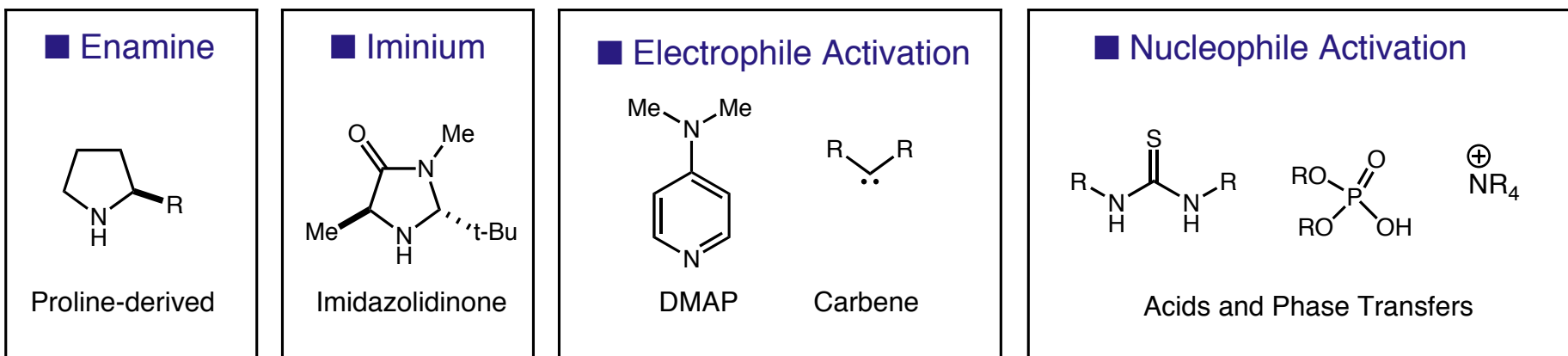


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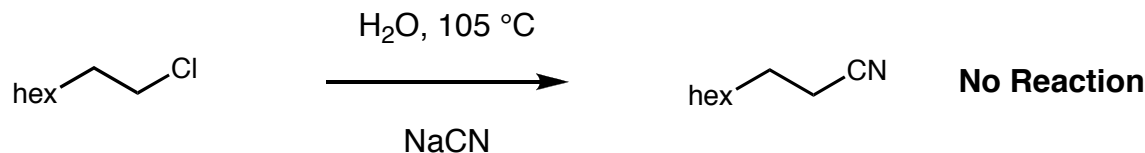


Previous Lecture

This Lecture – Broadened Activation Themes



Phase Transfer Catalysis (PTC)



- Beginning with Makosza and Brandstrom, Stark coined the term phase transfer catalysis

Starks, R. M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1971**, *93*, 195.

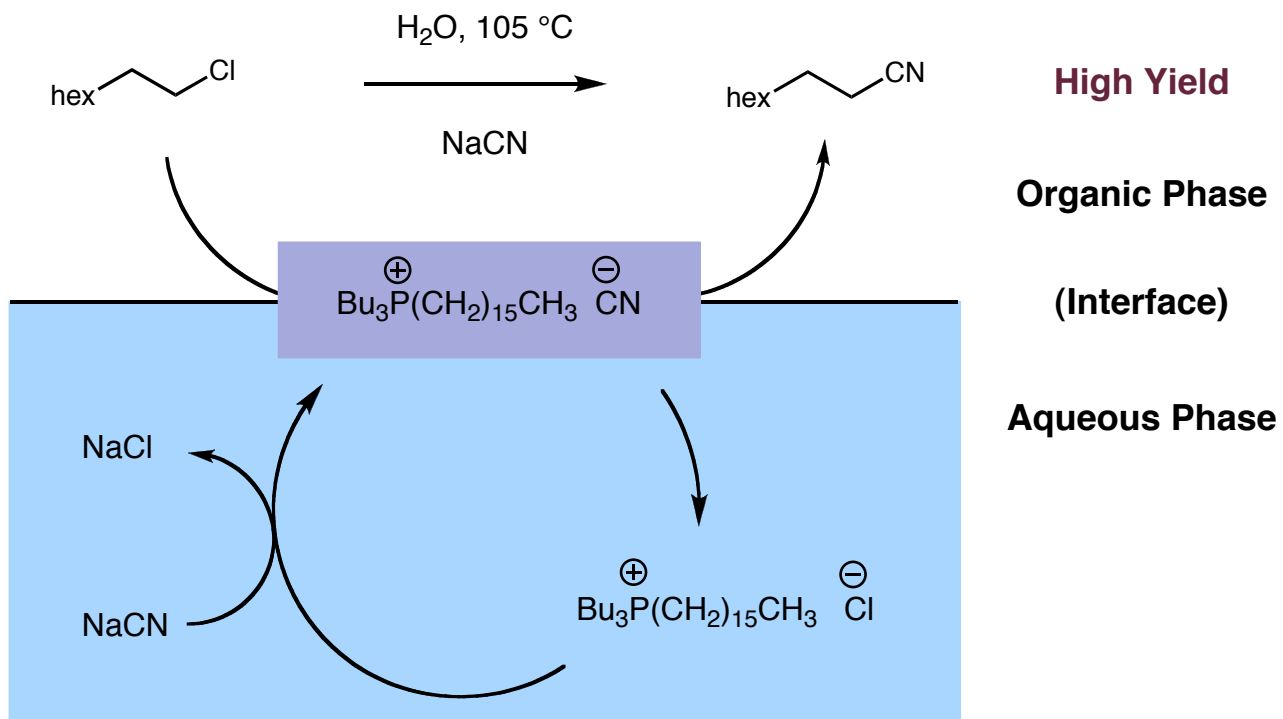
Phase-Transfer Catalysis. I. Heterogeneous Reactions Involving Anion Transfer by Quaternary Ammonium and Phosphonium Salts

Charles M. Starks

*Contribution from the Petrochemical Research Division,
Continental Oil Company, Ponca City, Oklahoma 74601.
Received February 12, 1970*

An alternative solution to the heterogeneity problem, *phase-transfer catalysis*, is introduced here. Reaction is brought about by the use of small quantities of an agent which transfers one reactant across the interface into the other phase so that reaction can proceed. The

Phase Transfer Catalysis (PTC)



"The phenomenon of rate enhancement of a reaction between chemical species located in different phases by addition of a small quantity of an agent (called the 'phase-transfer catalyst') that extracts one of the reactants, most commonly an anion, across the interface into the other phase so that reaction can proceed..." – IUPAC Gold book

Pioneering Studies at Merck

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Efficient Catalytic Asymmetric Alkylations. 1. Enantioselective Synthesis of (+)-Indacrinone via Chiral Phase-Transfer Catalysis

Ulf-H. Dolling,* Paul Davis, and Edward J. J. Grabowski

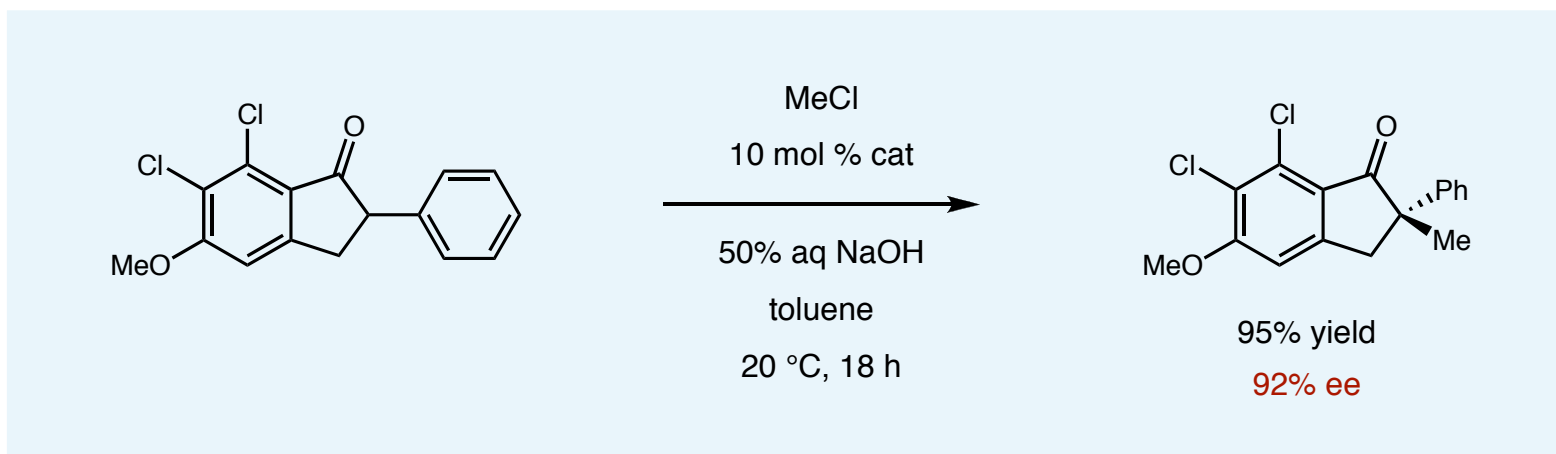
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We wish to report the first efficient, catalytic, enantioselective alkylation in the asymmetric synthesis of the new uricosuric (+)-indacrinone (**5**) (MK-0197)⁴ via chiral phase-transfer catalysis. Methylation of 0.61 g of 6,7-dichloro-5-methoxy-2-phenyl-1-indanone (**1**)^{5a} with 0.7 g of CH₃Cl in toluene/50% aqueous NaOH (25 mL/5mL) using 0.11 g of *N*-(*p*-(trifluoromethyl)benzyl)cinchoninium bromide as phase-transfer catalyst at 20 °C for 18 h produced (*S*)-(+)-6,7-dichloro-5-methoxy-2-methyl-2-phenyl-1-indanone (**2**) in up to 92% ee in 95% yield.⁵ Subsequent O-demethylation (AlCl₃, toluene, 45 °C), giving **3**, followed by O-alkylation with ethyl chloroacetate (K₂CO₃, NaI, toluene, reflux), giving **4**, hydrolysis (toluene, NaOH, reflux), acidification (HCl), and crystallization (CH₂Cl₂) afforded the *S*-(+)-enantiomer^{4d} of **5** in 63% isolated yield (overall from **1**), identical in all respects with resolved material^{5a,d} (Scheme I).

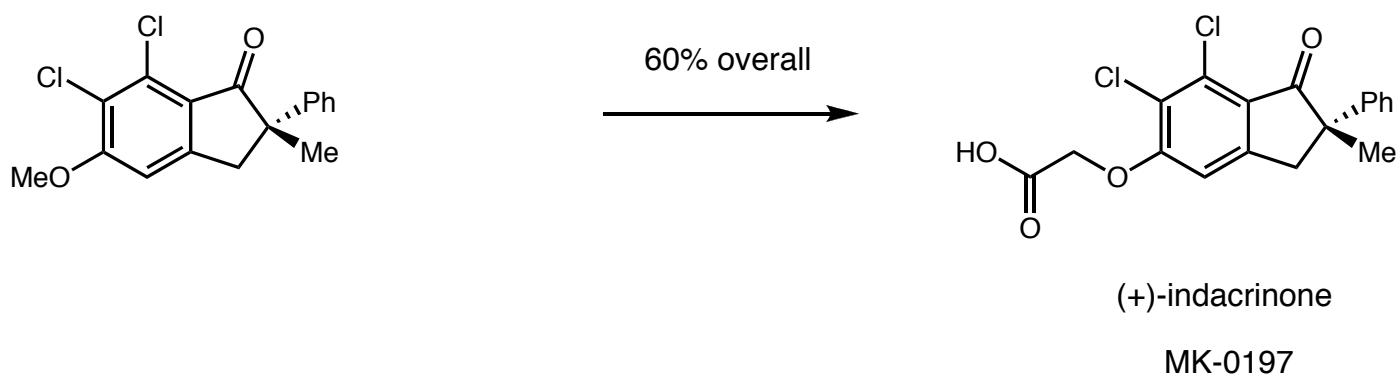
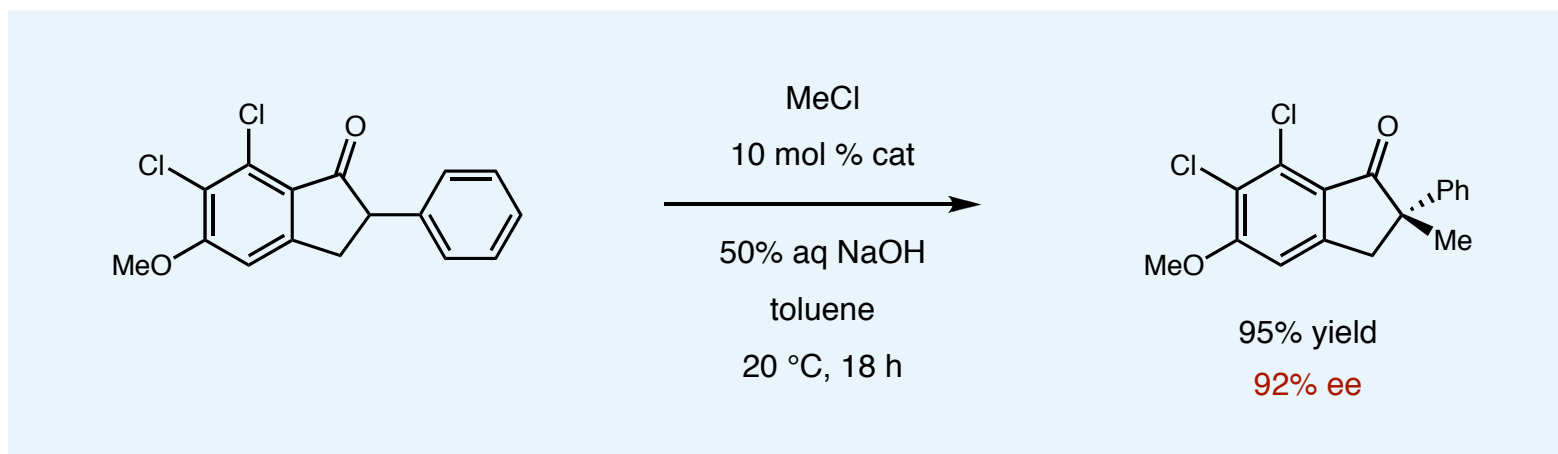
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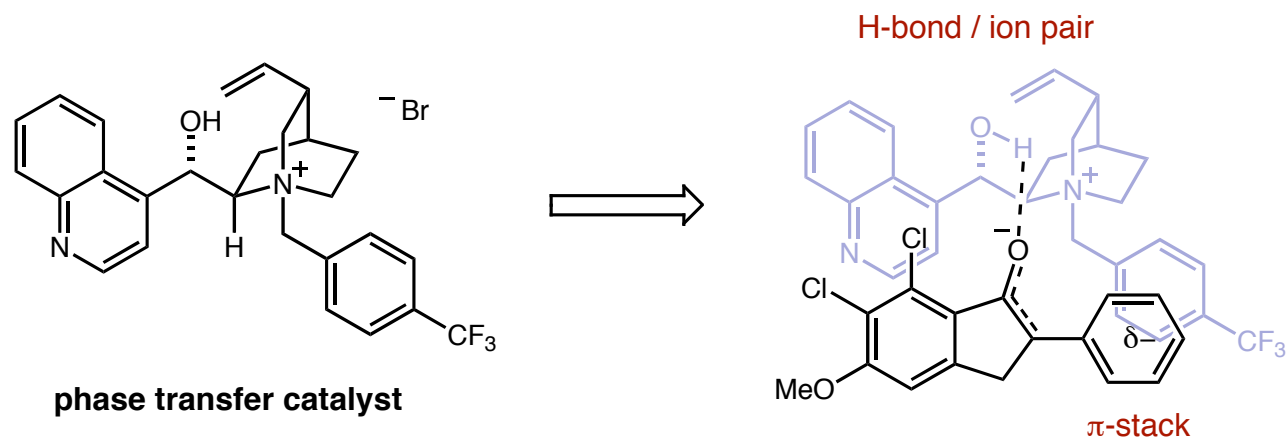
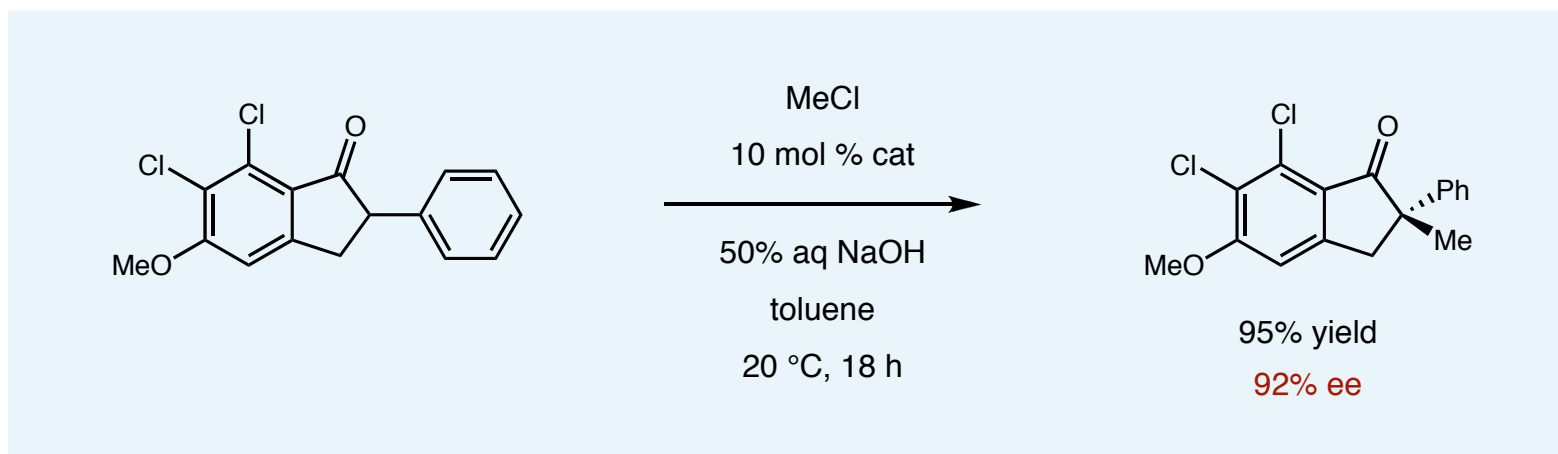
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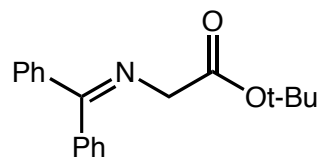


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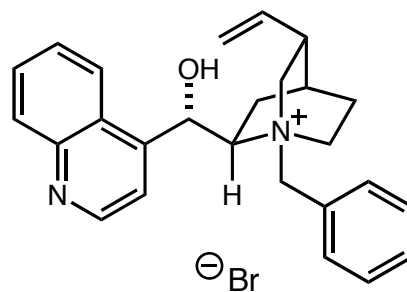
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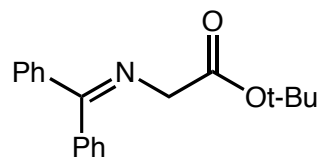
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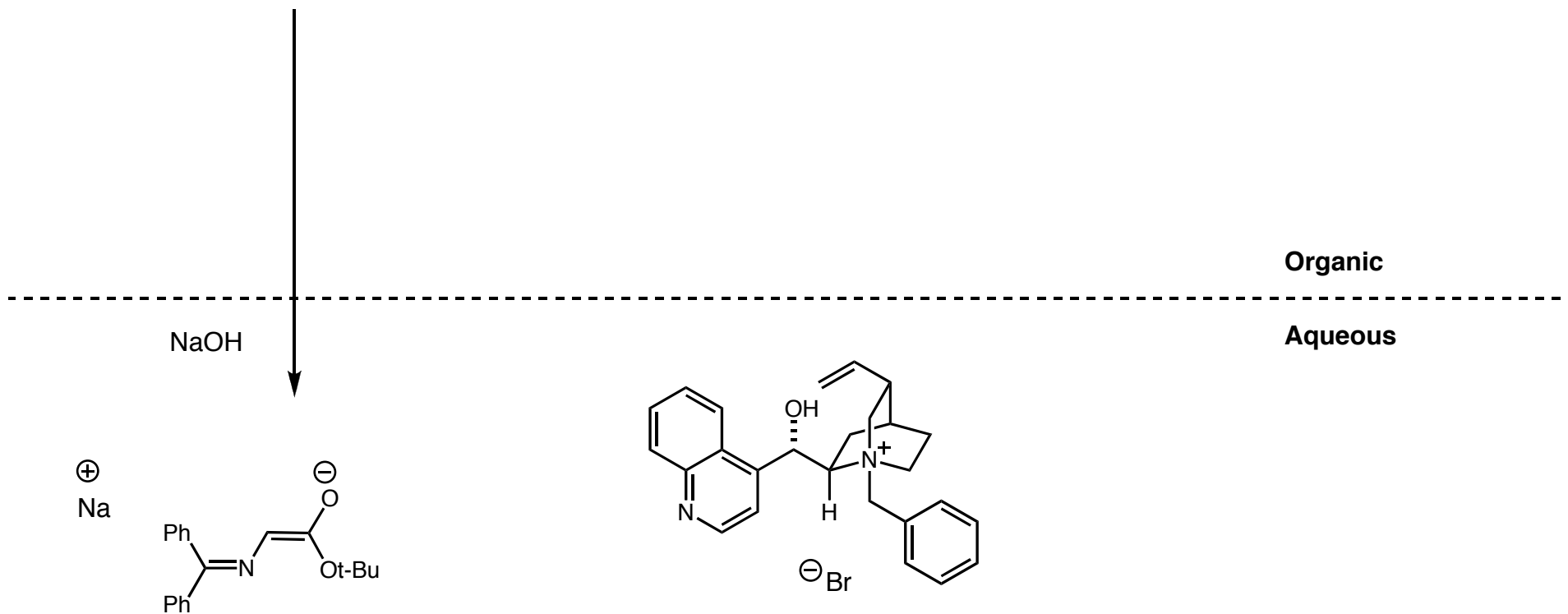
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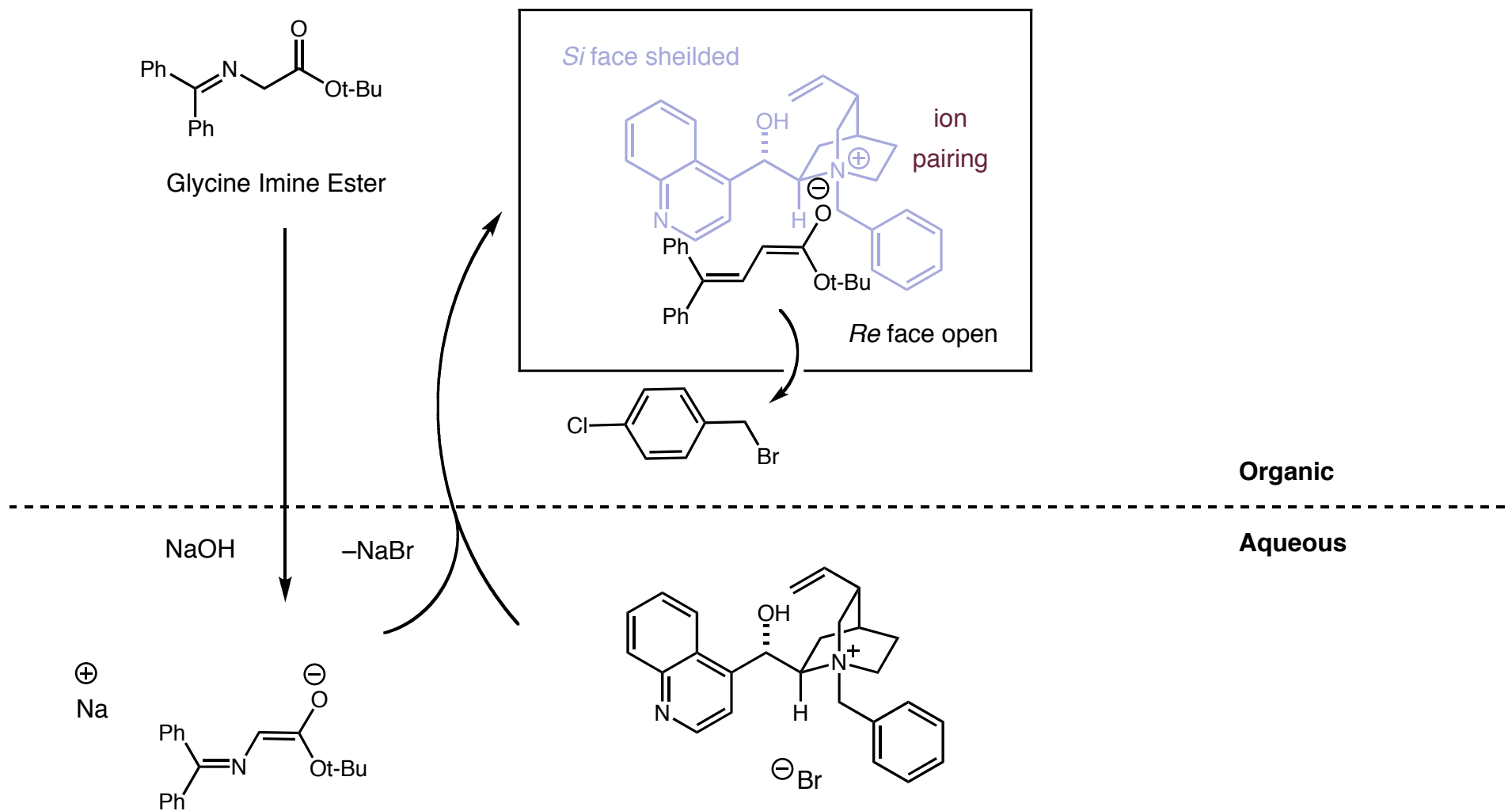
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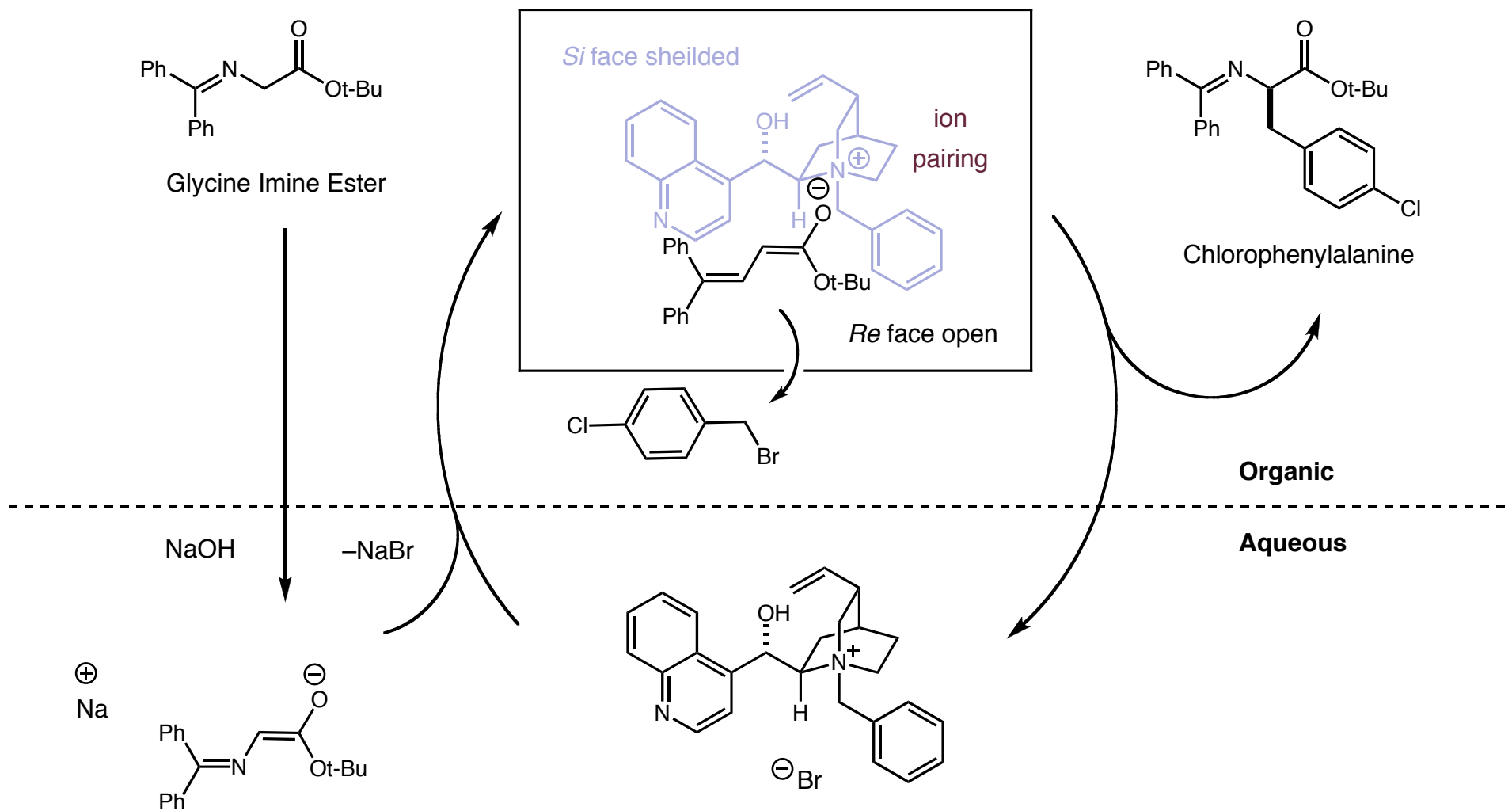
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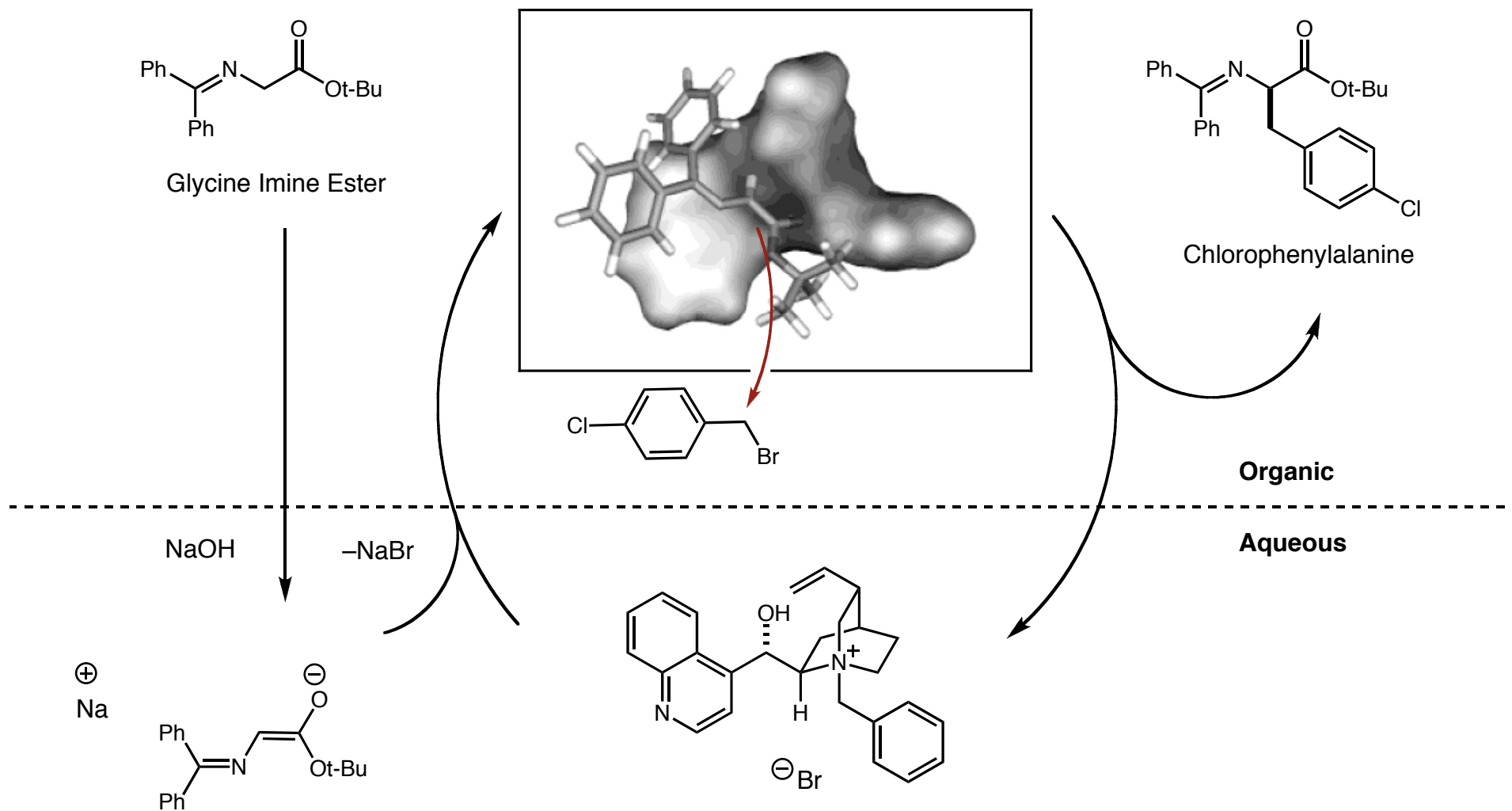
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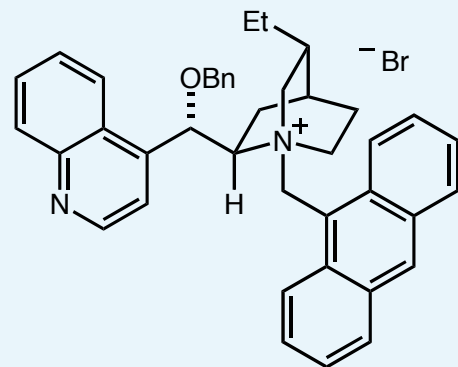
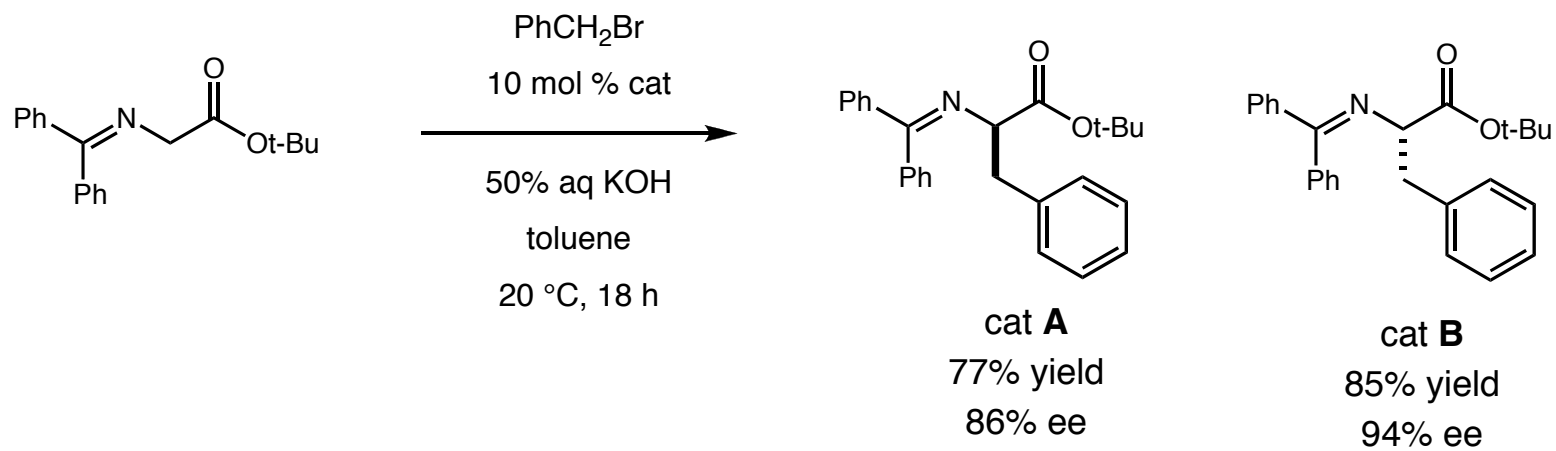
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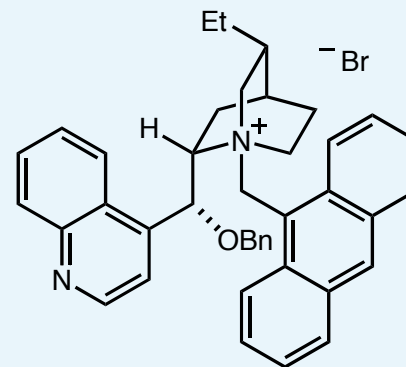


Switching Enantioselectivity Using Pseudoenantiomers

■ Catalyst diastereomers give rise to the opposite product configuration



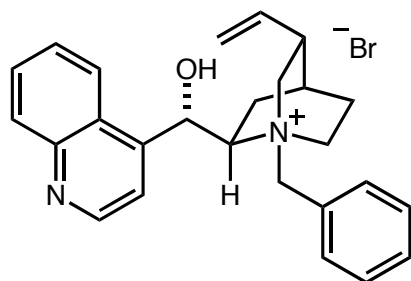
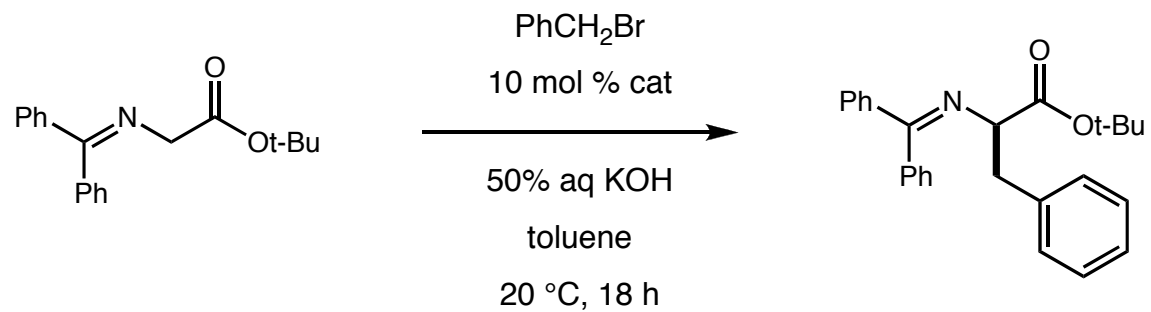
A From cinchonine



B From cinchonidine

Advances in Catalyst Design

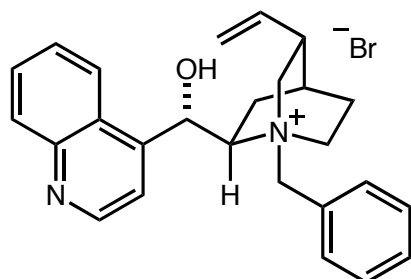
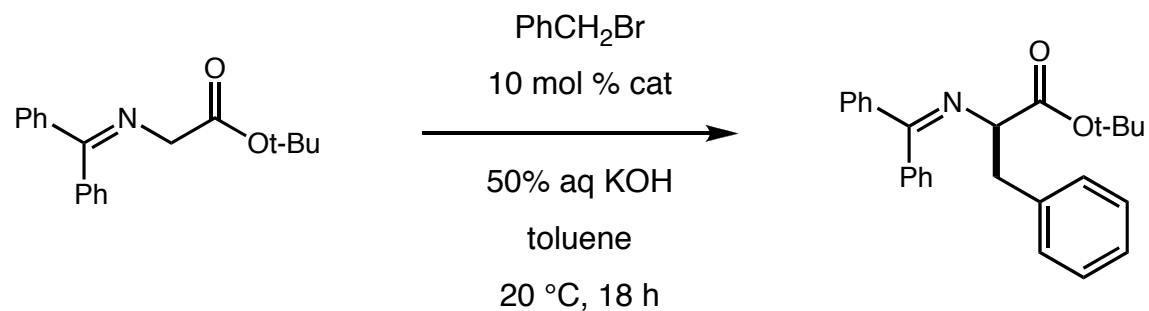
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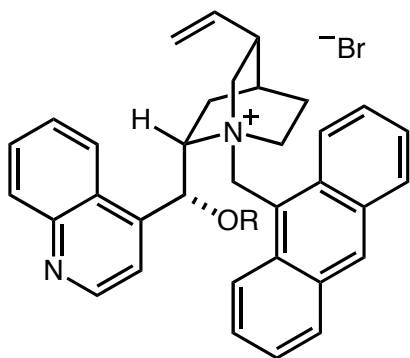
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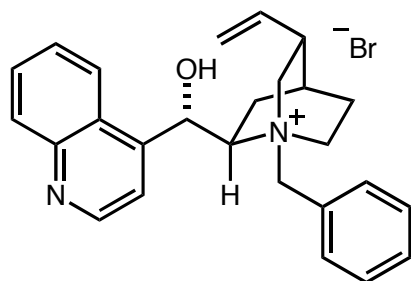
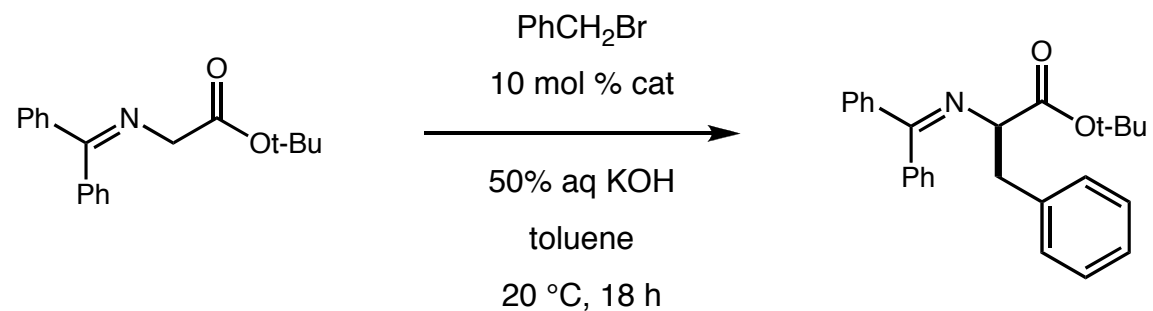
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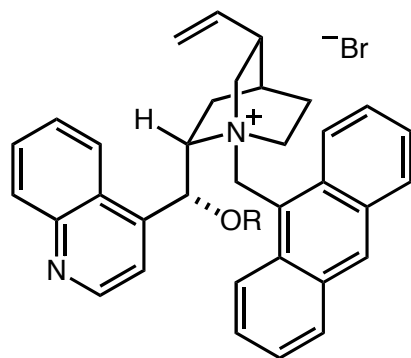
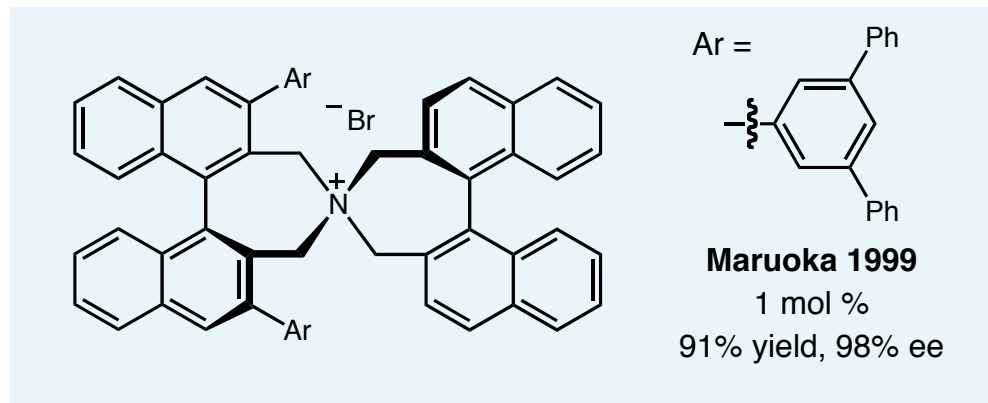
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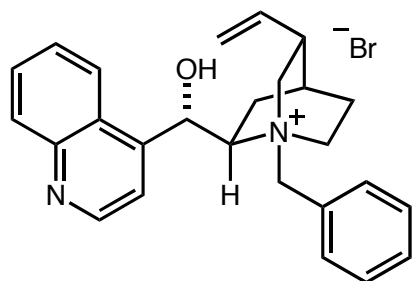
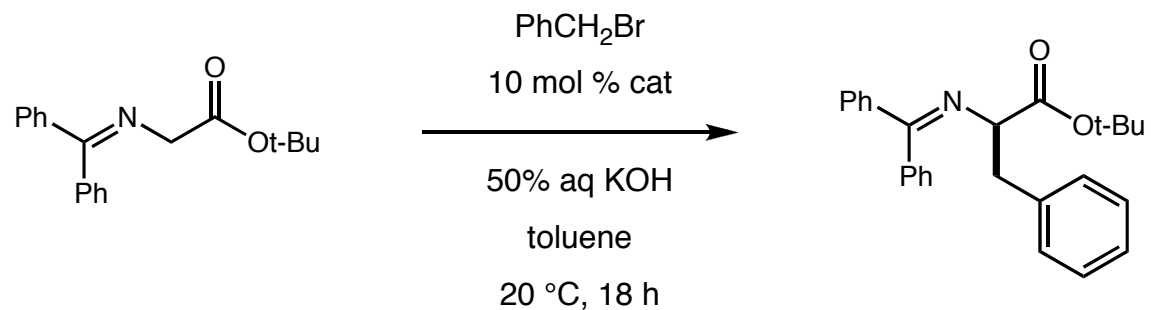
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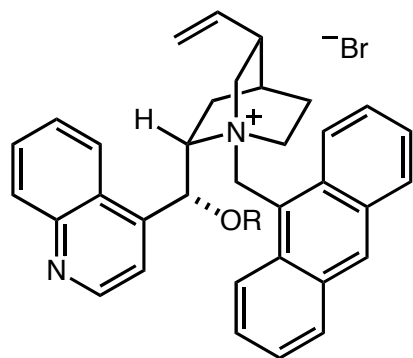
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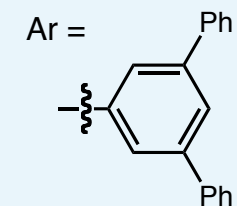
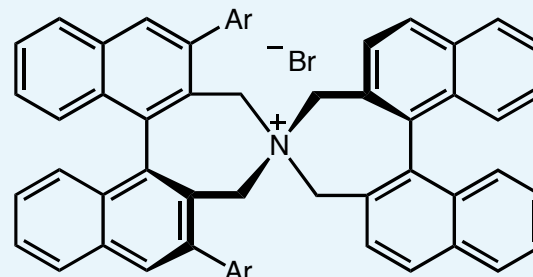
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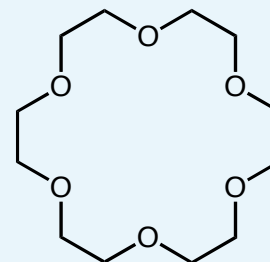


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Maruoka 1999
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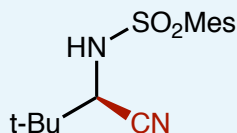
Cocatalyst:
 18-crown-6



Maruoka 2005
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The PTC Activation Mode Beyond Alkylation Reactions

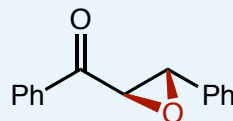
■ PTC activation of carbonyls has enabled the development of many different asymmetric reactions



94%, 94% ee

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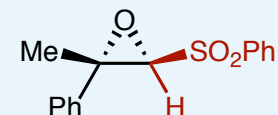
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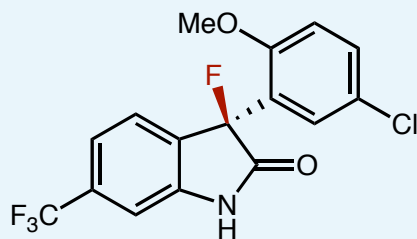
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70%, 81% ee

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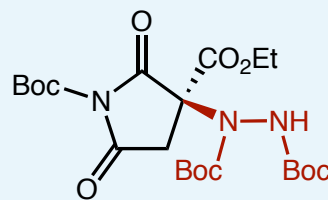
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94%, 84% ee

β -ketoester fluorination

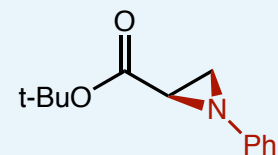
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99%, 92% ee

β -ketoester amination

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79%, 84% ee

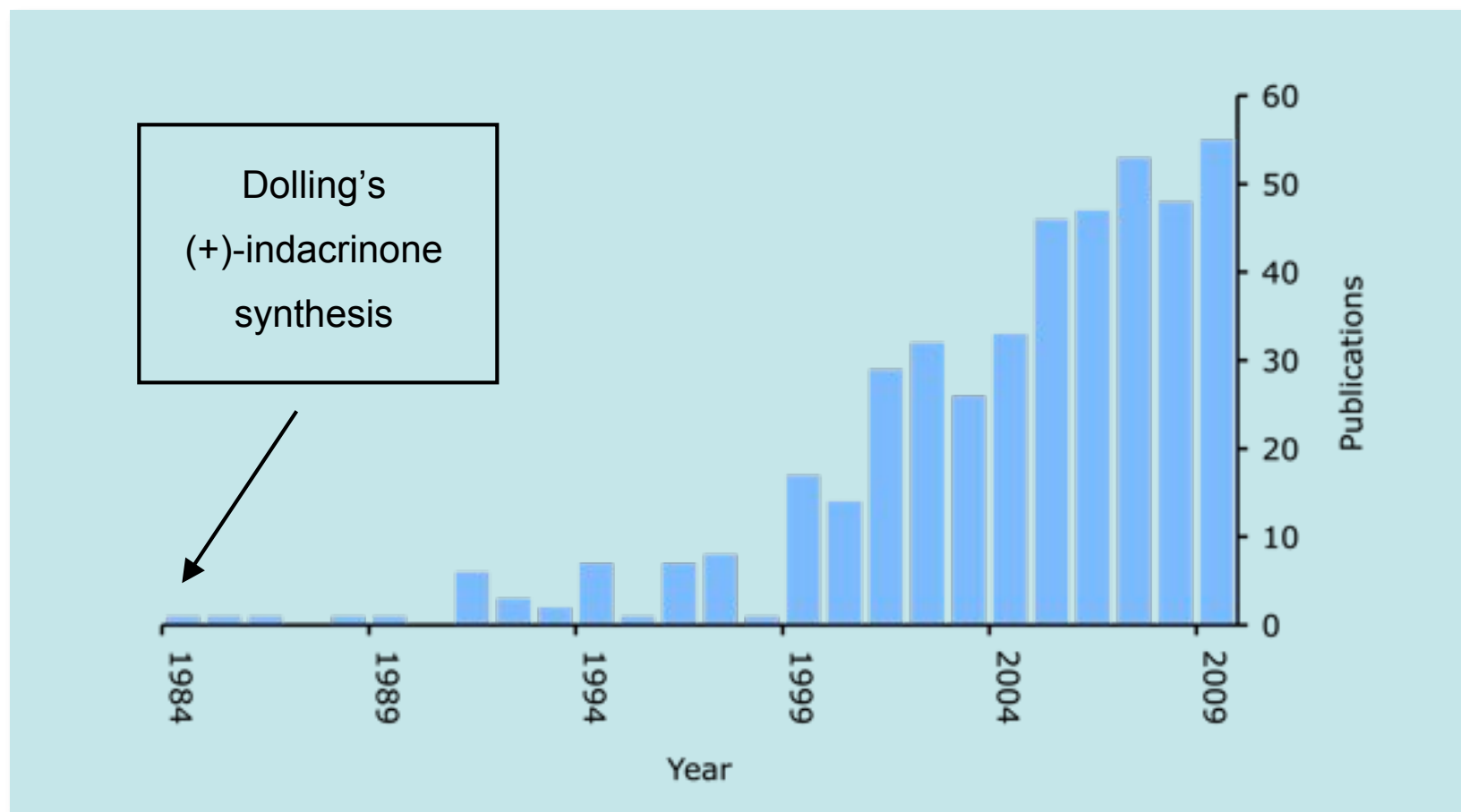
aziridation

Synthesis **2005**, 2022.

Recent review: Hashimoto, T.; Maruoka, K. *Chem. Rev.* **2007**, 107, 5656.

Phase Transfer Catalysis

- Since the original reports the area continues to be a strong sector of organocatalysis research
- ISI web of knowledge references containing the key phrase "phase transfer catalysis" total 3698



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MECHANISM OF THIAMINE ACTION

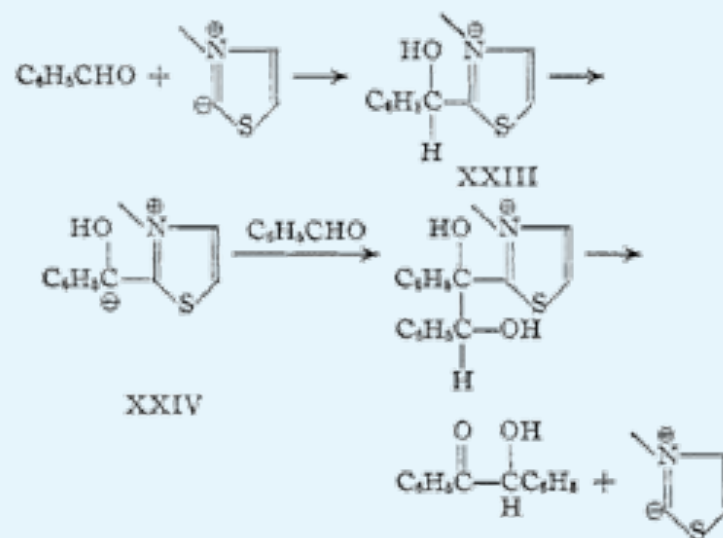
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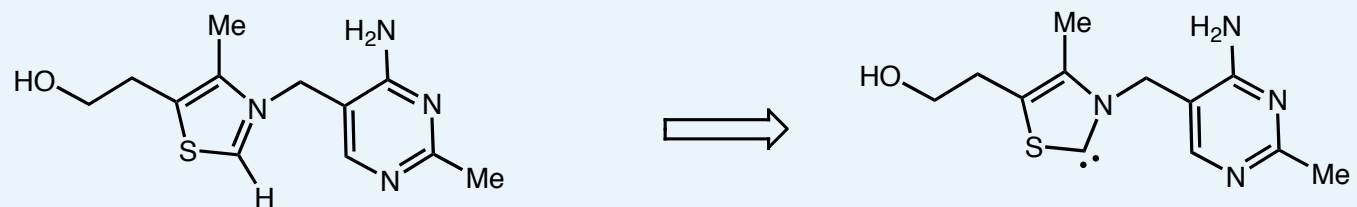
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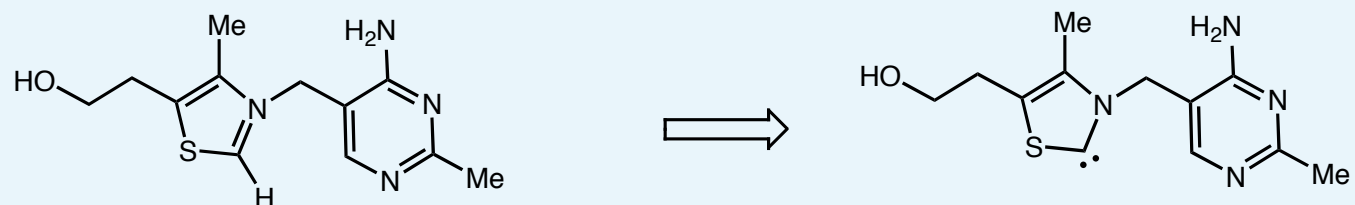


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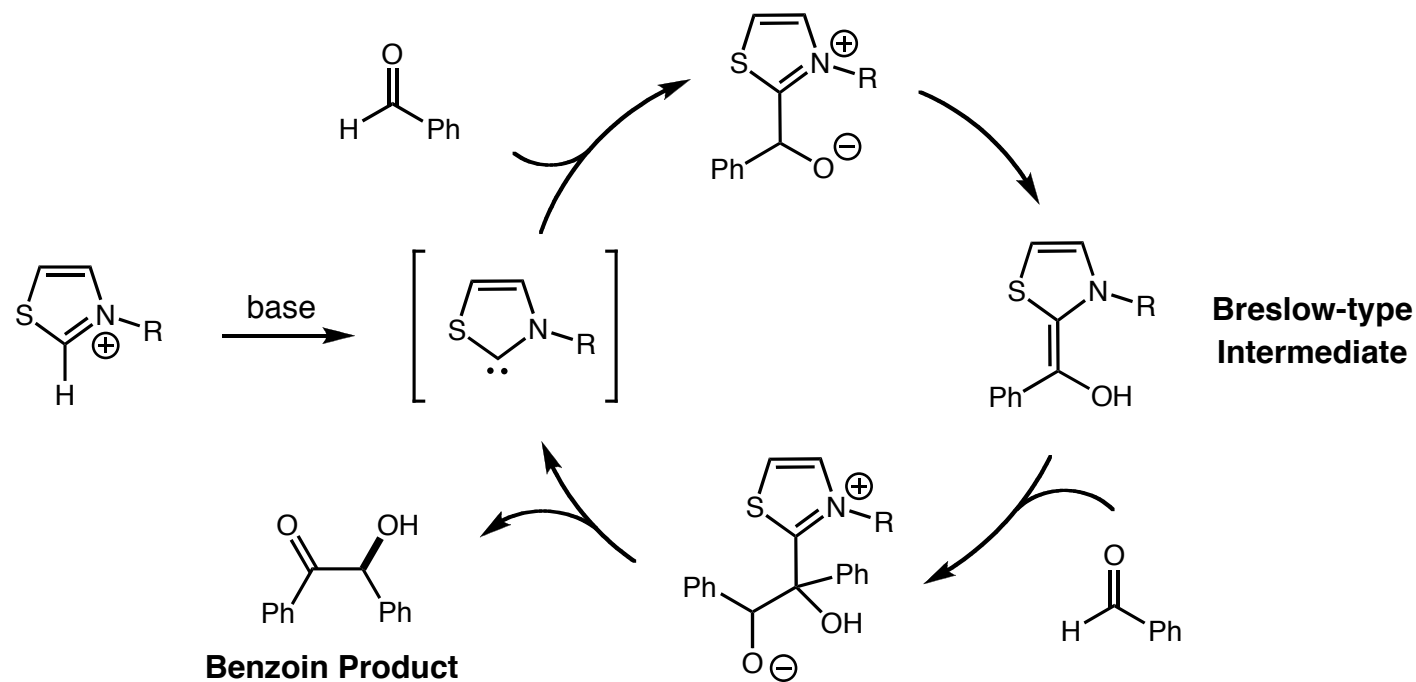
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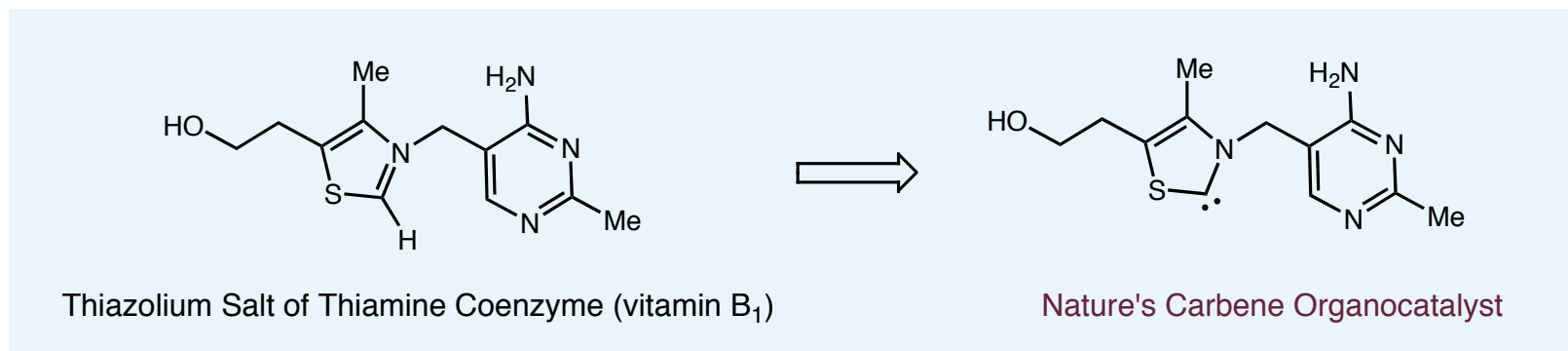


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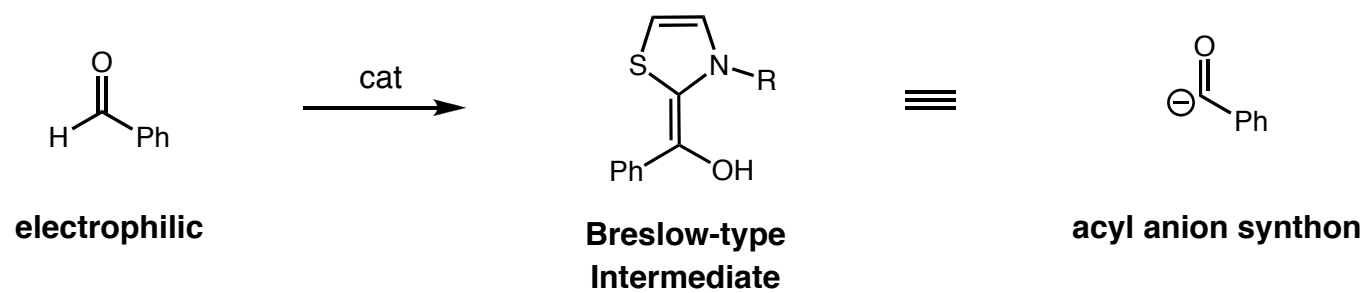
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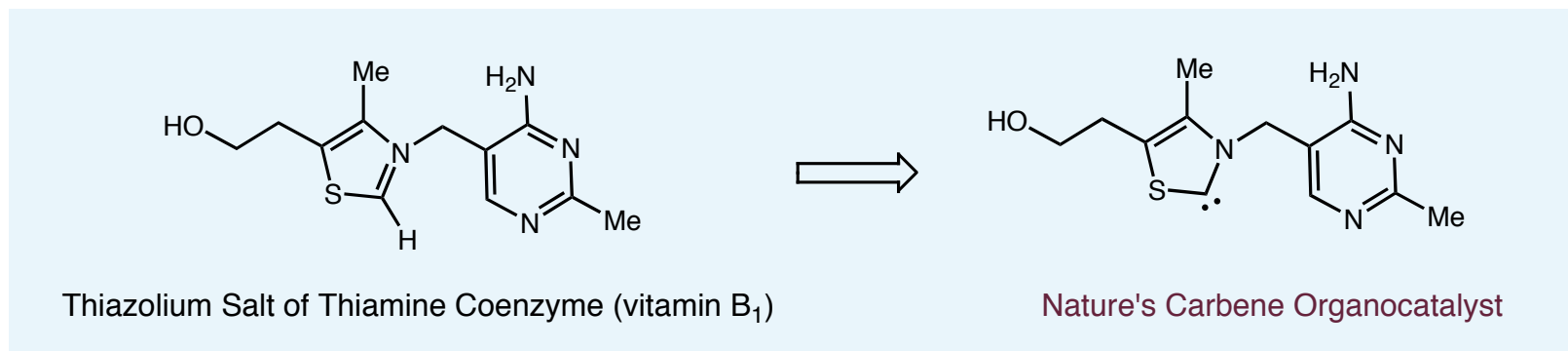


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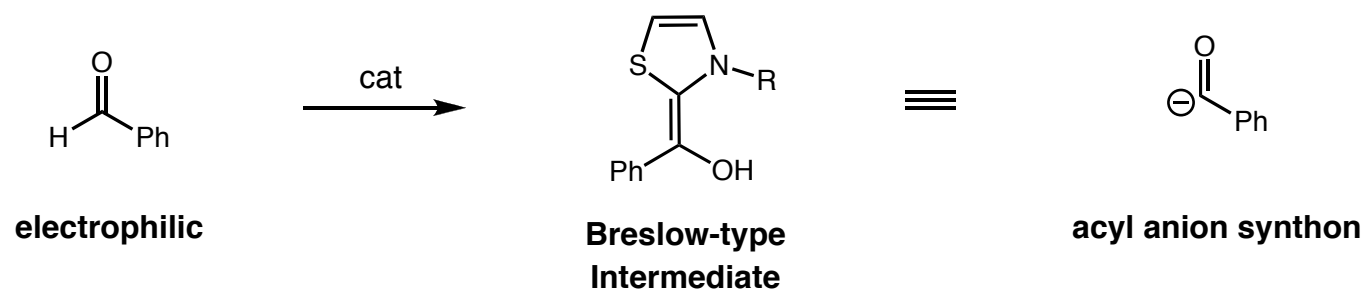


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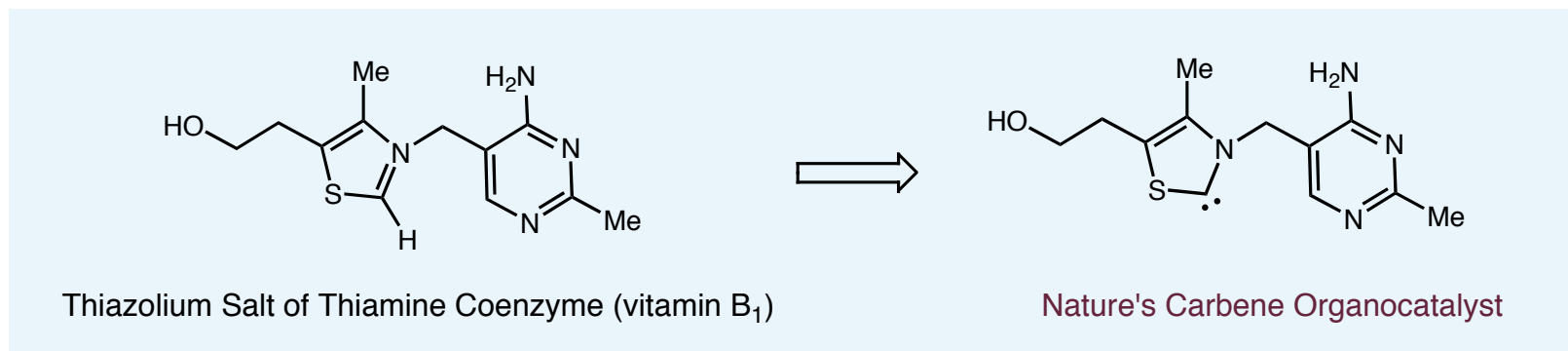


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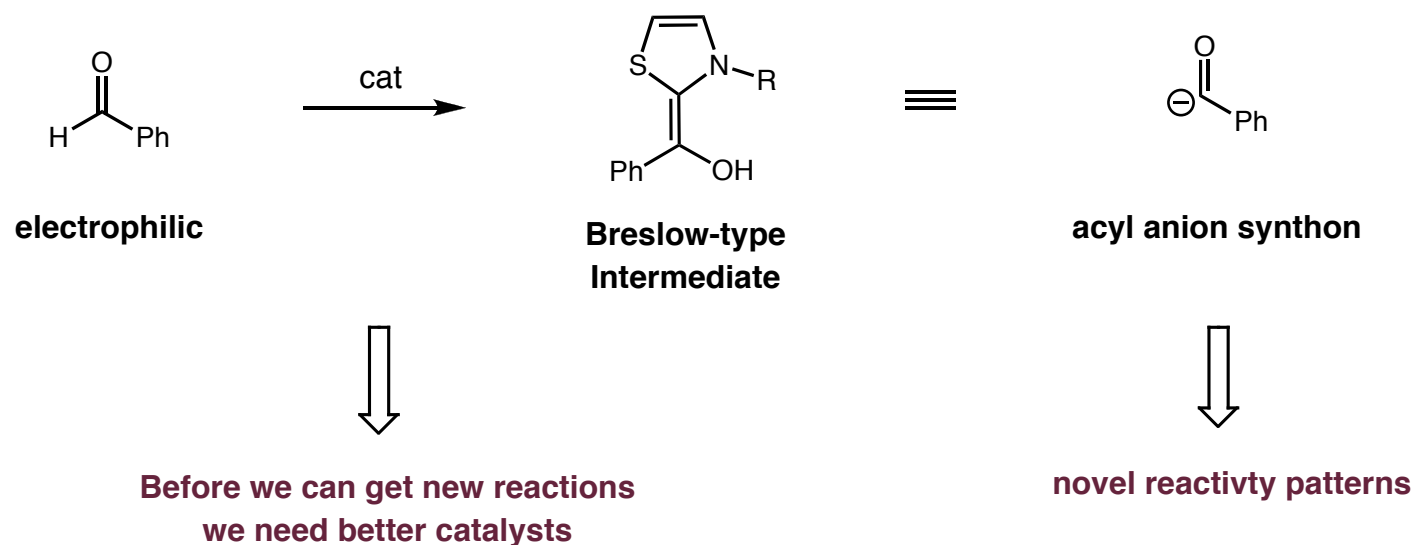
**Before we can get new reactions
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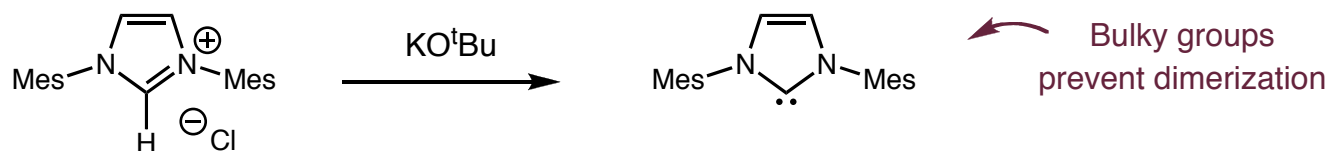


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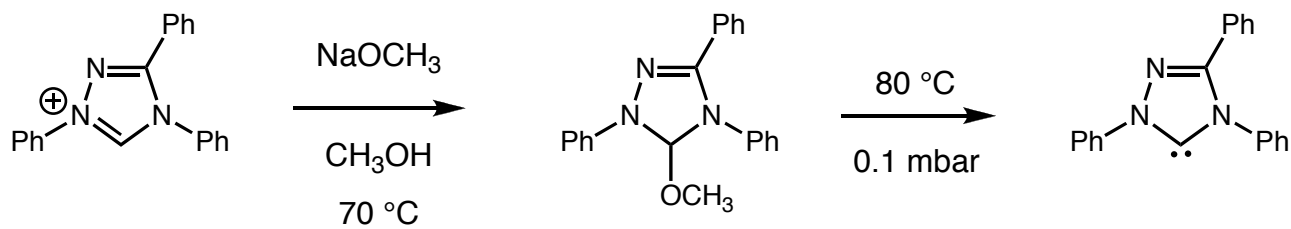
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- Isolated in 1991 by Arduengo while working at DuPont



Arduengo III, A. J.; Harlow, R. L.; Kline, M. J. *Am. Chem. Soc.* **1991**, *113*, 361.

- In 1995 Enders and Teles develop stable triazole-based carbenes

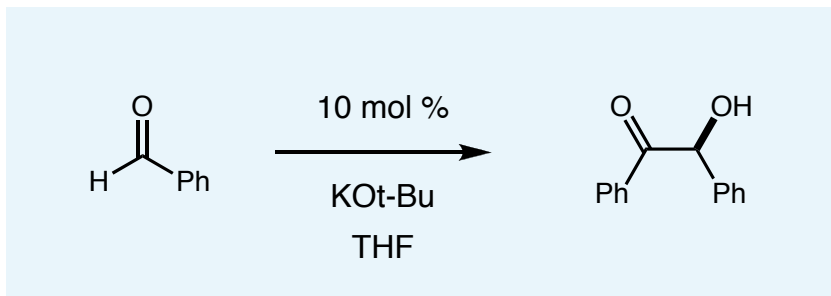


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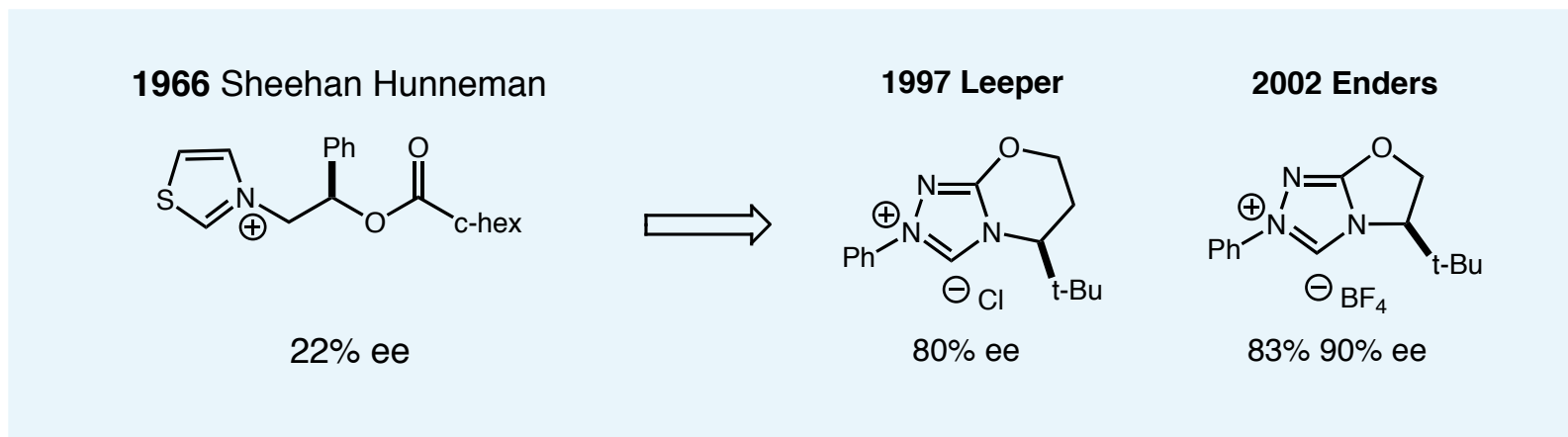
Dieter Enders,* Klaus Breuer, Gerhard Raabe, Jan Runsink, J. Henrique Teles,* Johann-Peter Melder, Klaus Ebel, and Stefan Brode

Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **1995**, *34*, 1021.

Asymmetric Carbene Catalysts



■ The genesis of a new platform for asymmetric catalysis



■ 2002 Chiral triazole are made and are efficient and selective for the benzoin condensation

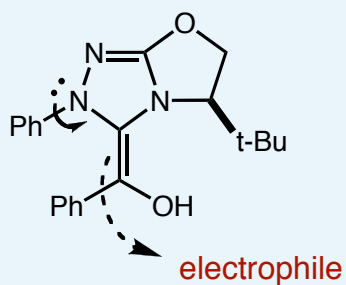
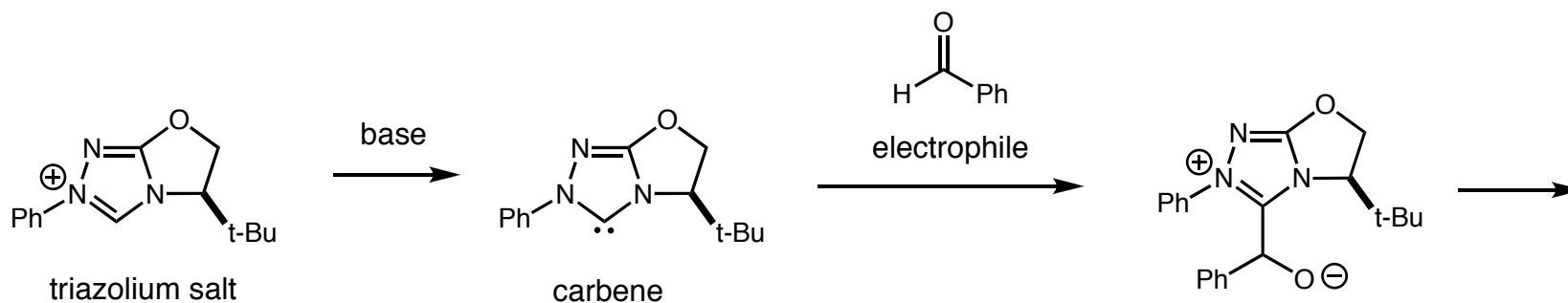
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Knight, R. L.; Leeper, F. J. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1997**, *38*, 3611.

Enders, D.; Kallfass, U. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2002**, *41*, 1743.

Carbenes: Generic Activation Platform

- It was soon realized that carbenes activate carbonyls for a number of useful reactions

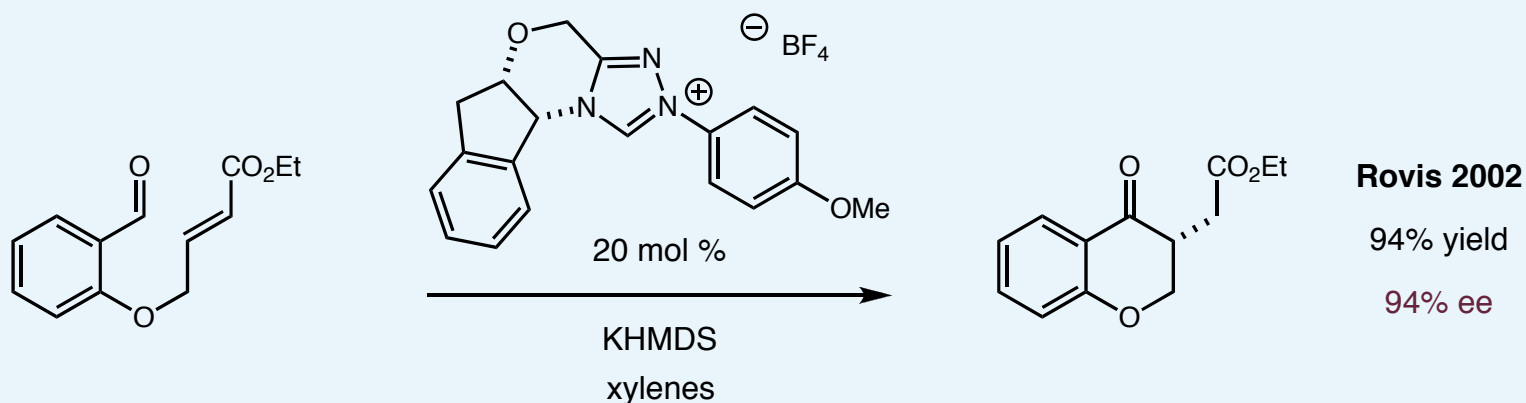


Breslow-type Nucleophile

- Alkene geometry controlled by bulky group
- *Re* face shielded by t-Bu
- Generically activated towards electrophiles

Recent Advance in Carbene Catalysis

- After the initial disclosures in the 1990's the Stetter reaction has been championed by Rovis



Kerr, M. S.; Read de Alaniz, J.; Rovis, T. *J. Am Chem. Soc.* **2002**, *124*, 10298.

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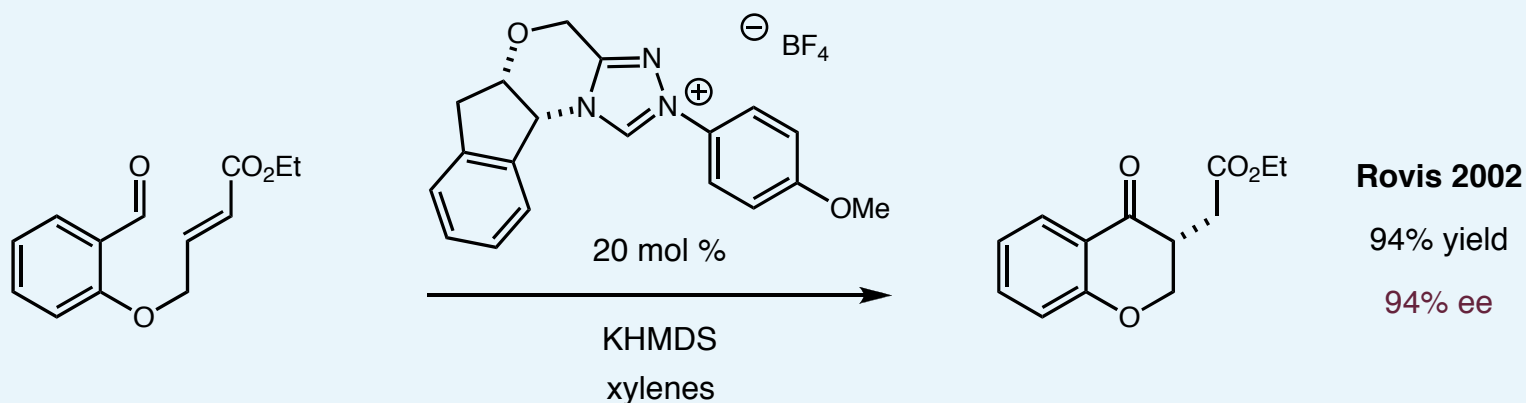
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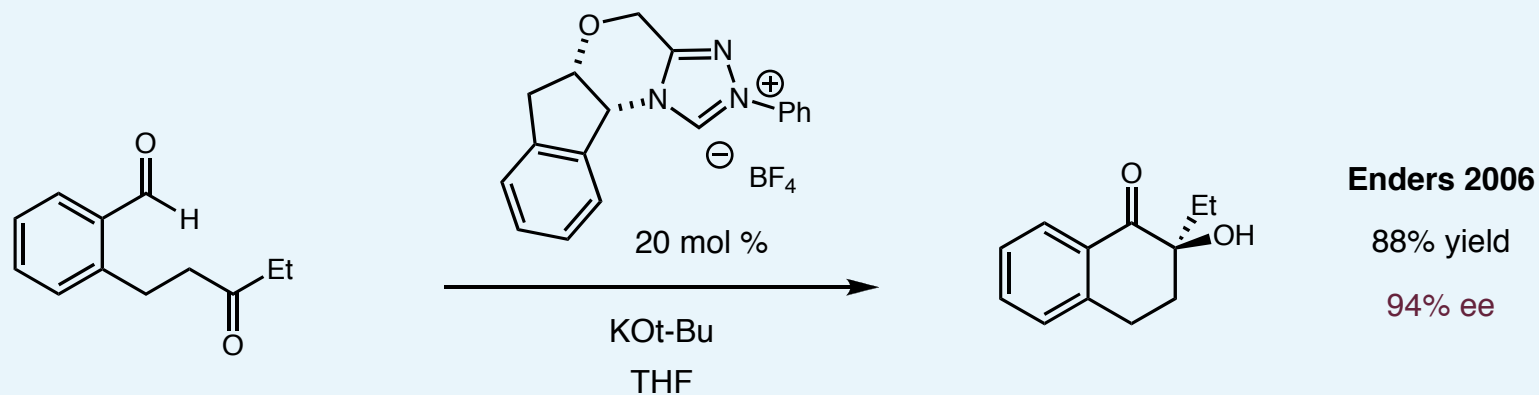
Recent Advance in Carbene Catalysis

- After the initial disclosures in the 1990's the Stetter reaction has been championed by Rovis



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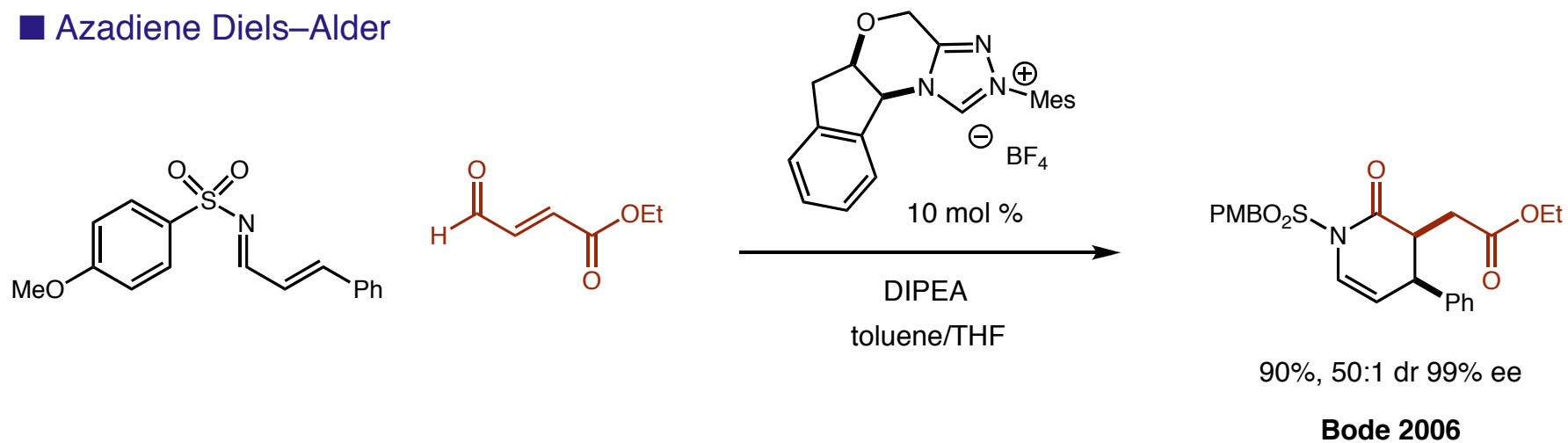
- The Rovis catalyst design has been proven to be excellent for many more reactions



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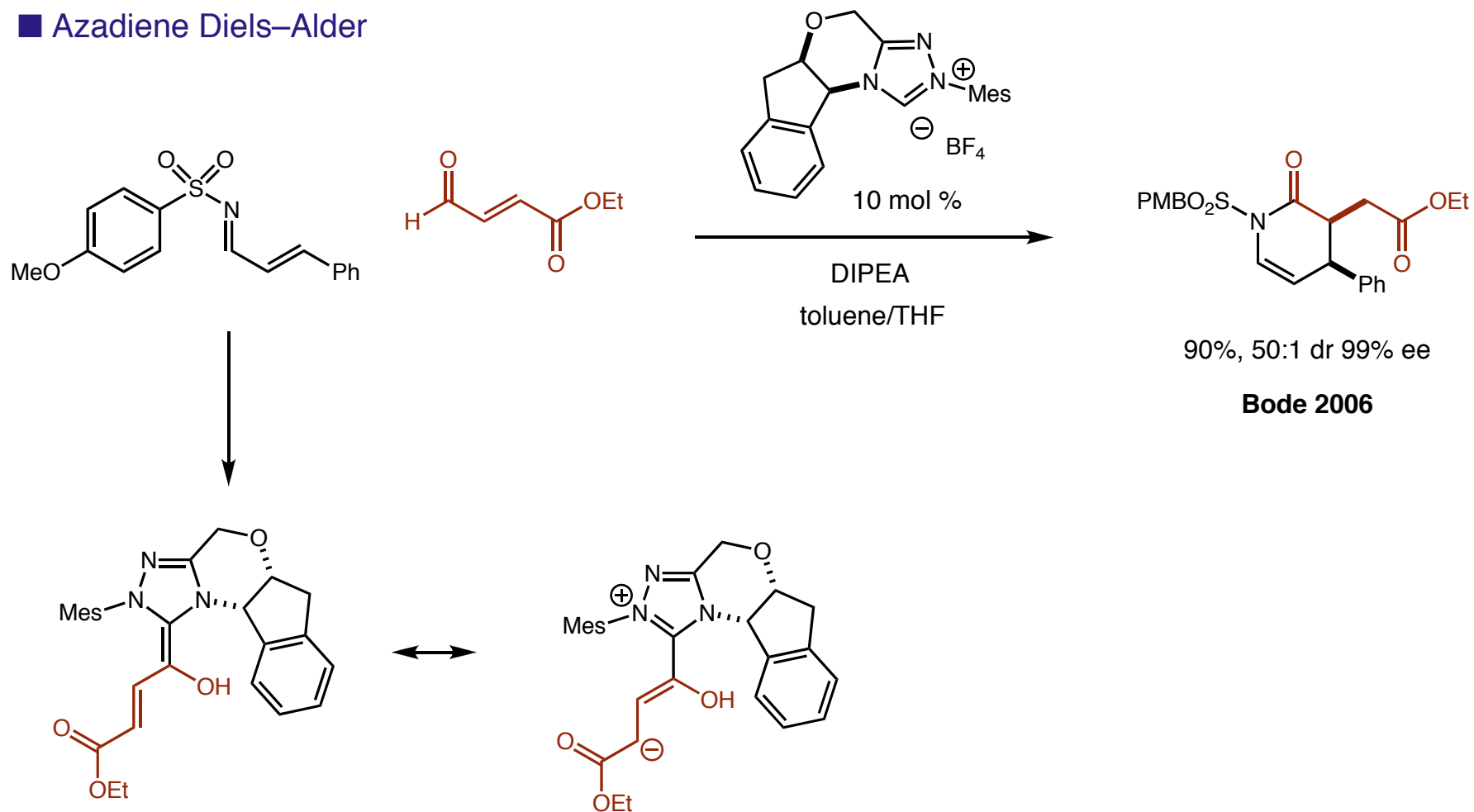
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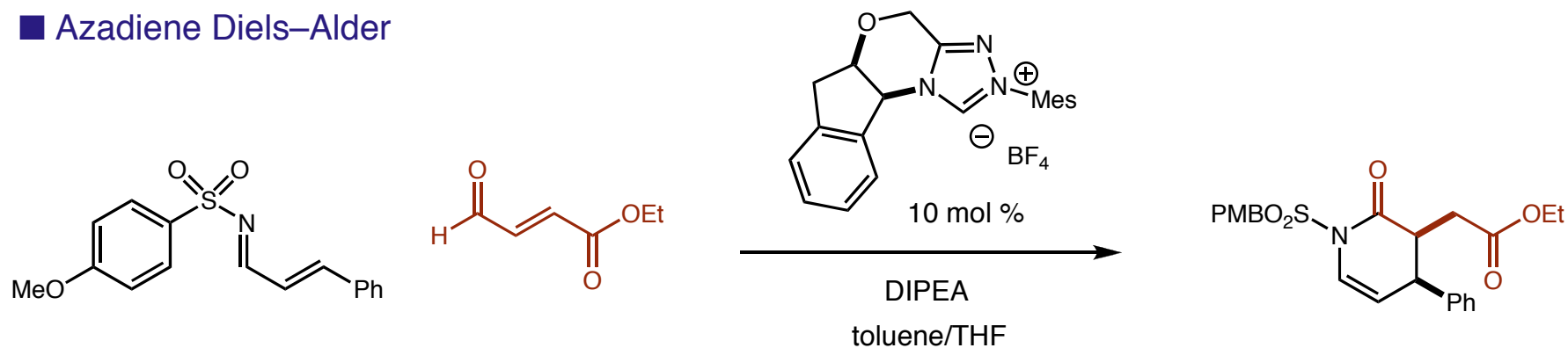
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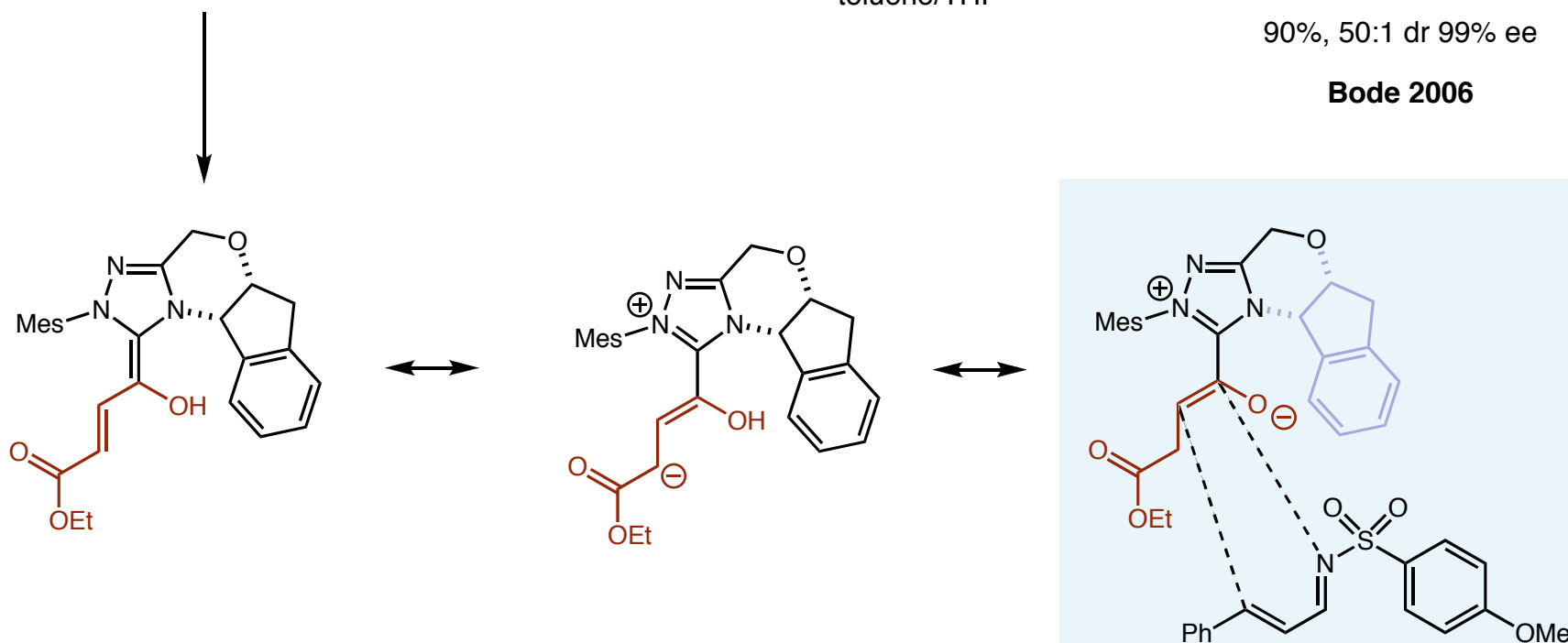
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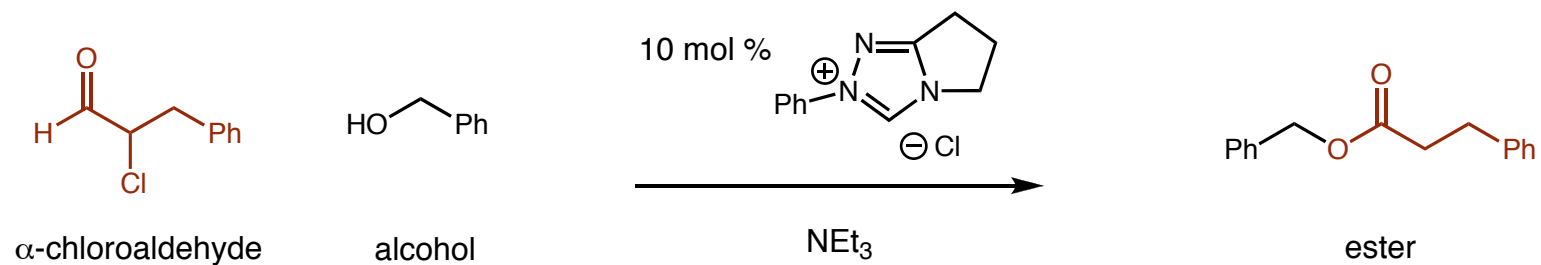
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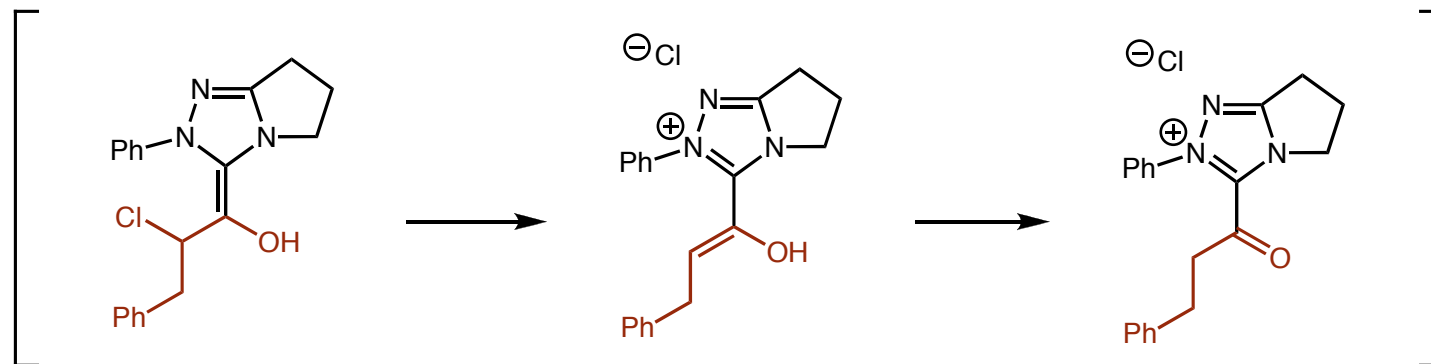
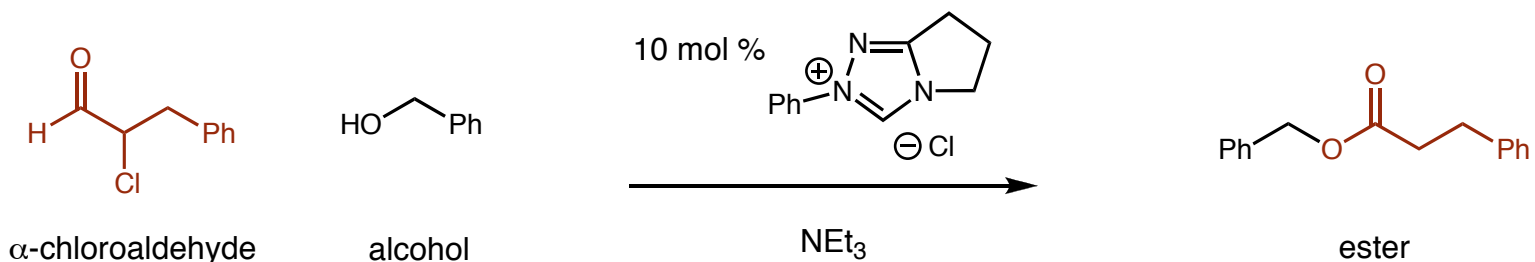
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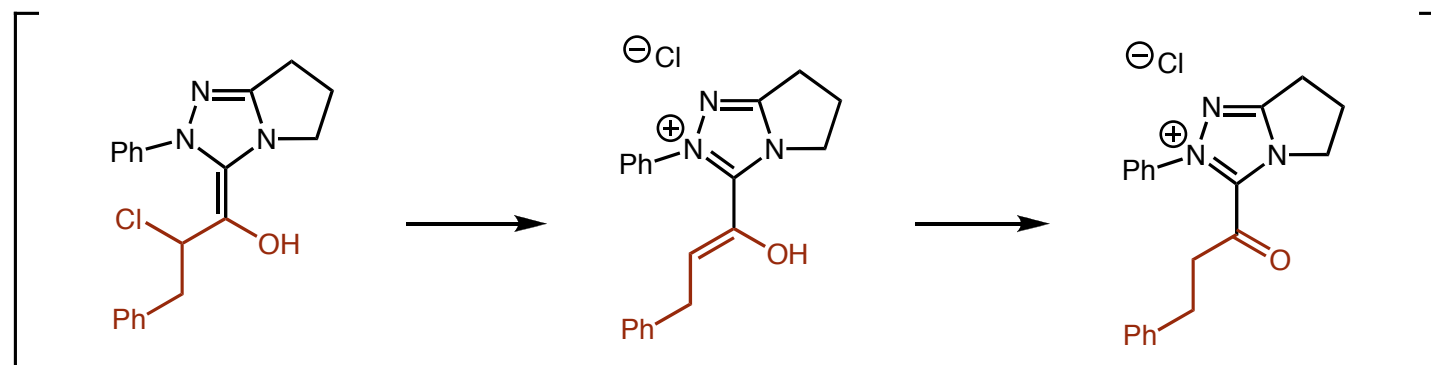
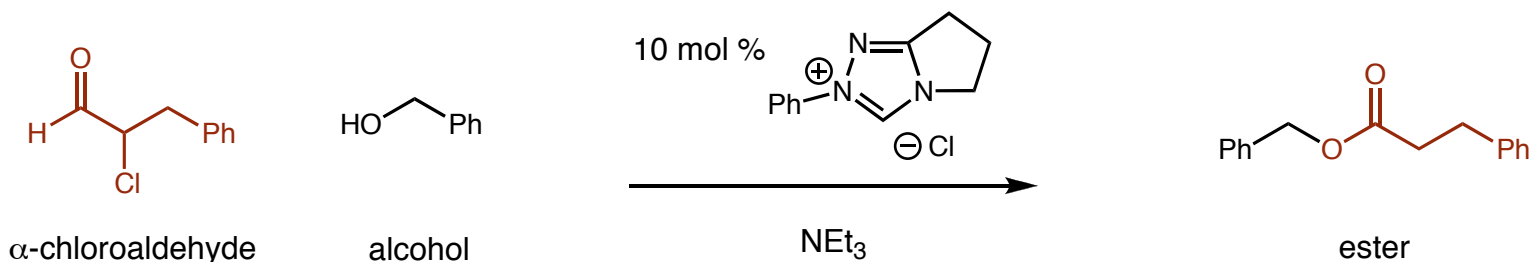
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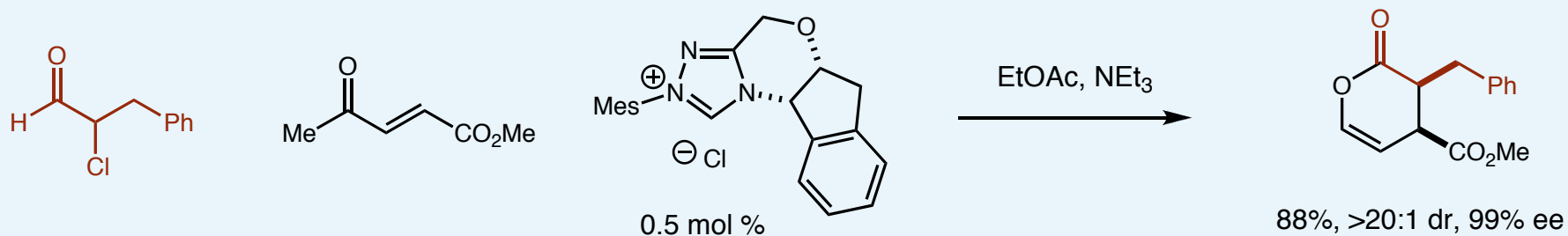


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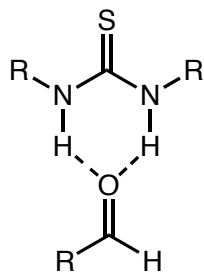


■ Oxy Diels–Alder reaction



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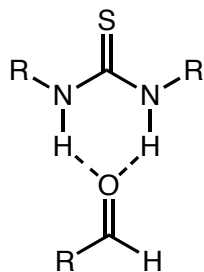


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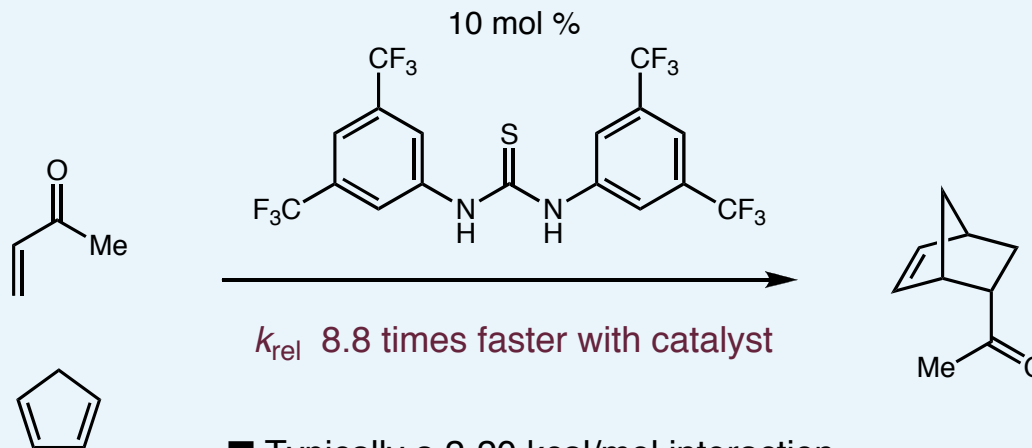
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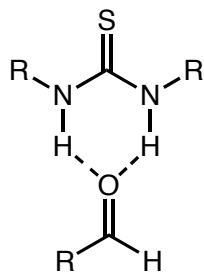
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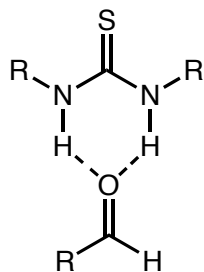
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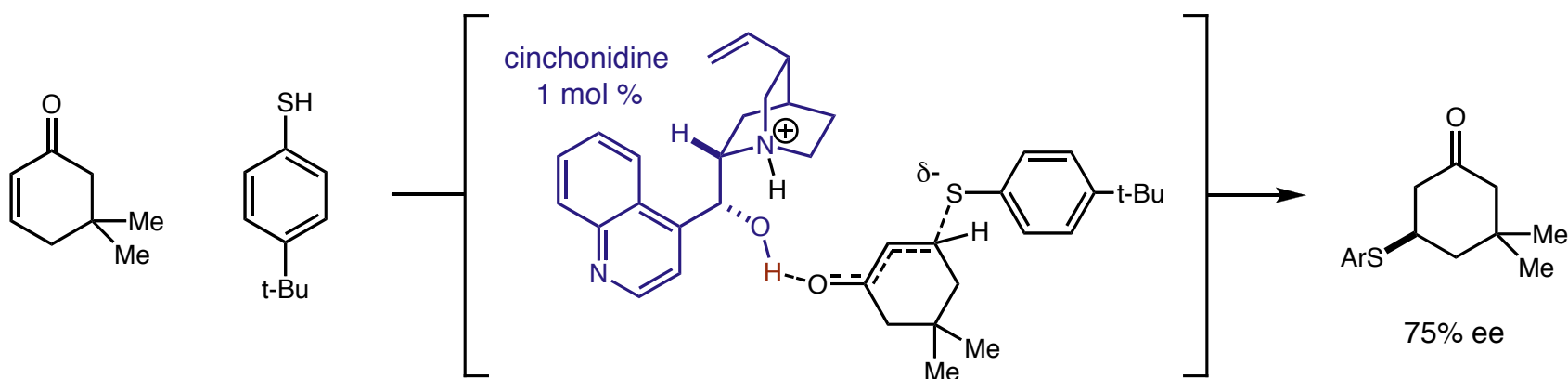
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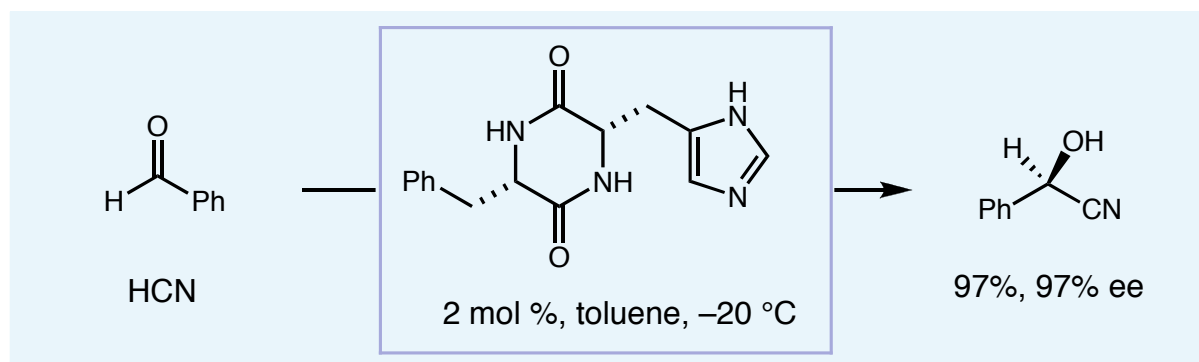
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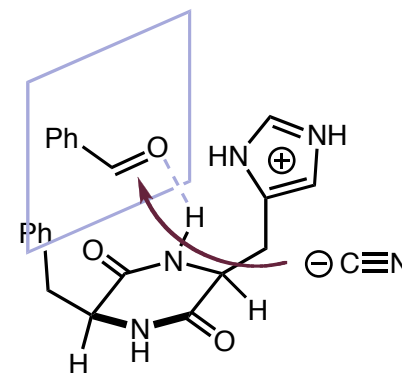
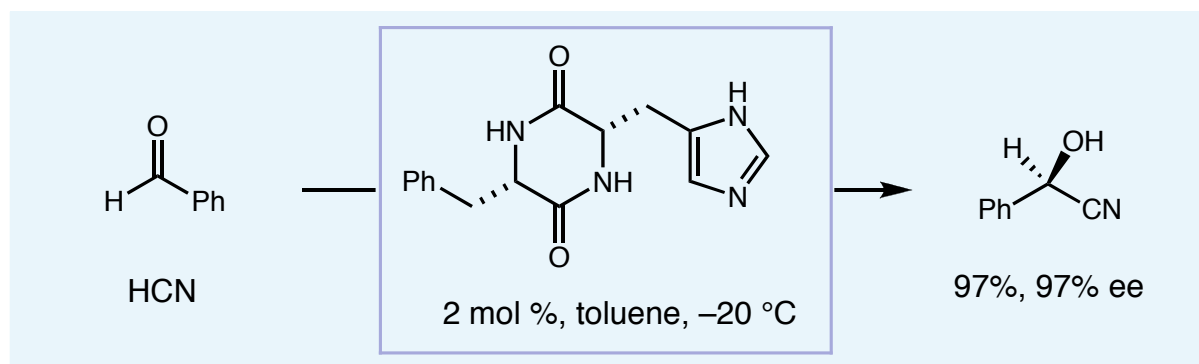
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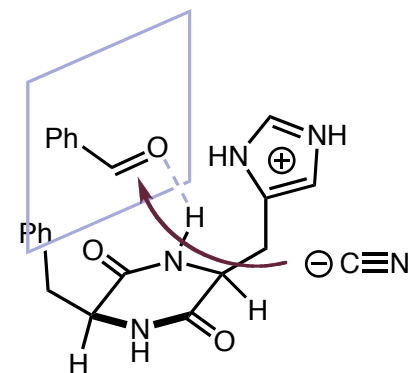
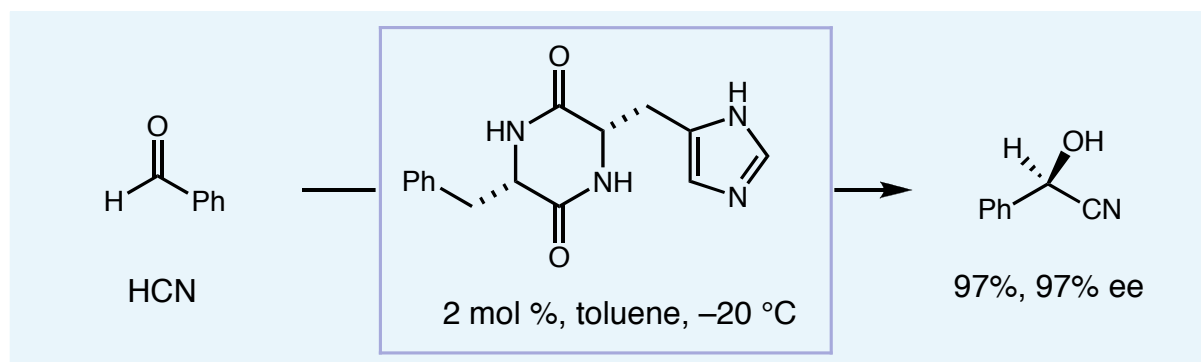
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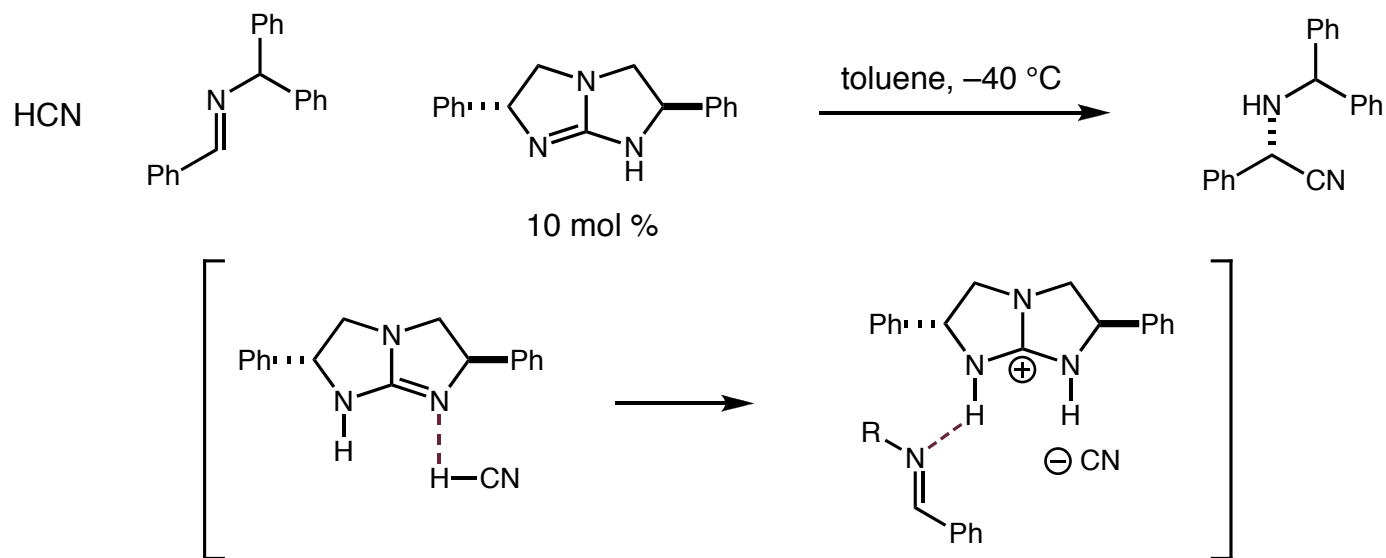


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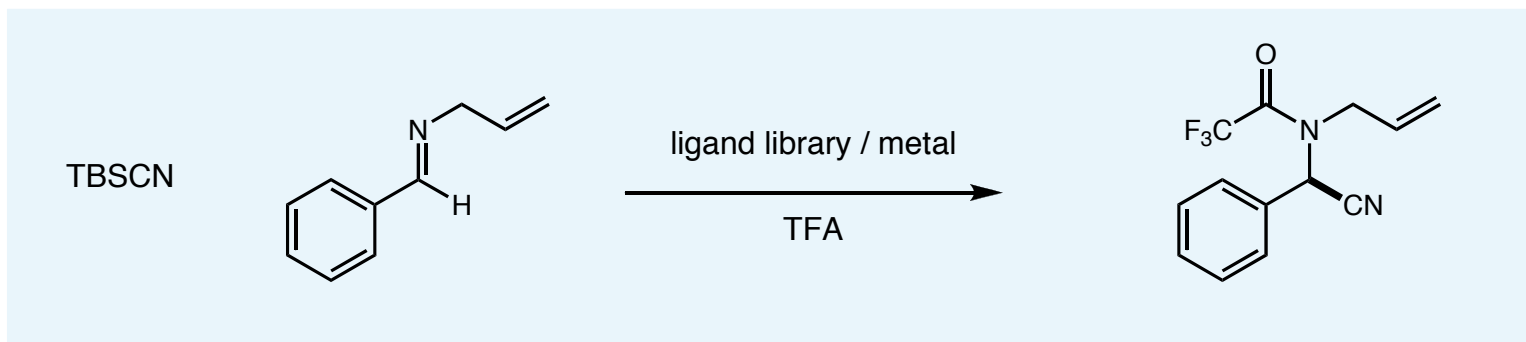
- Asymmetric Strecker reaction using Corey's guanidine H-bonding catalyst



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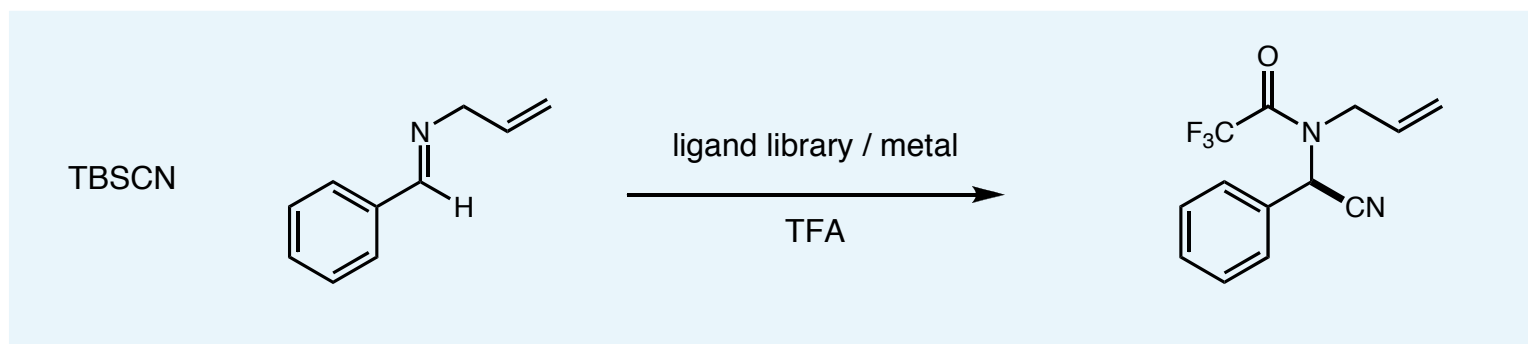
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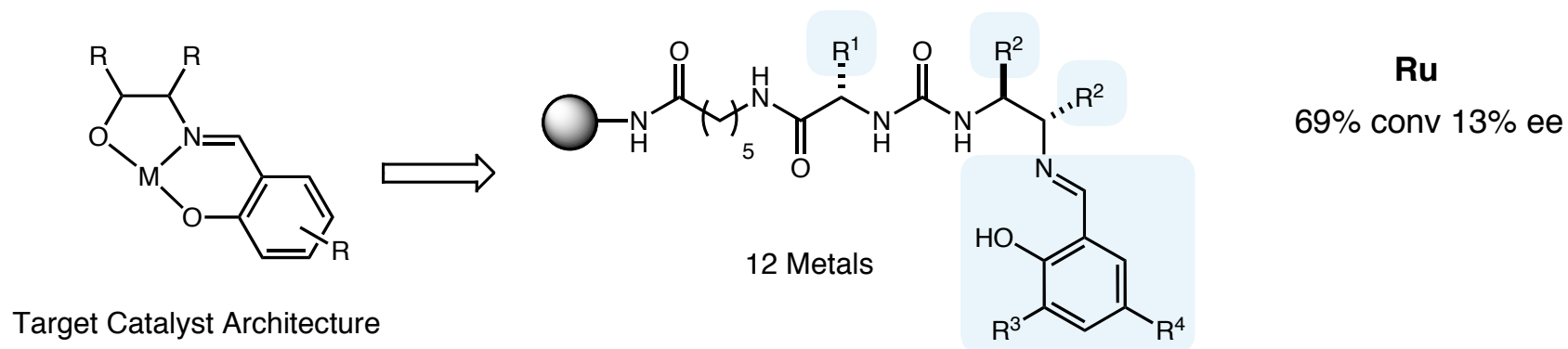
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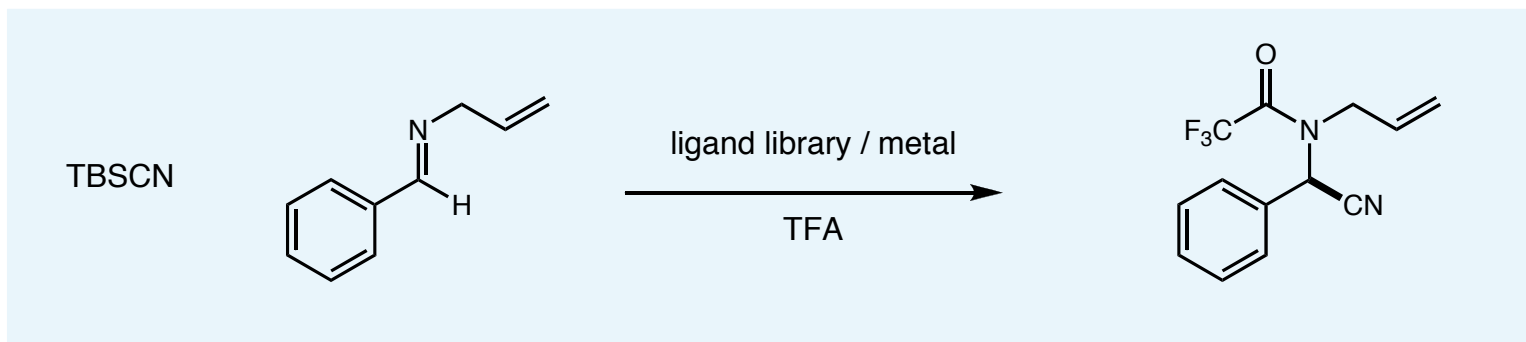


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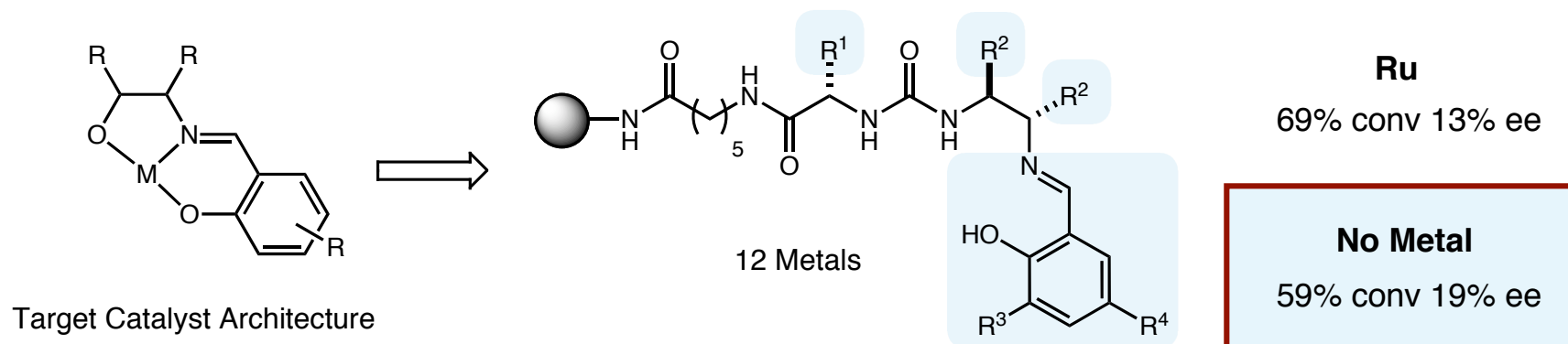


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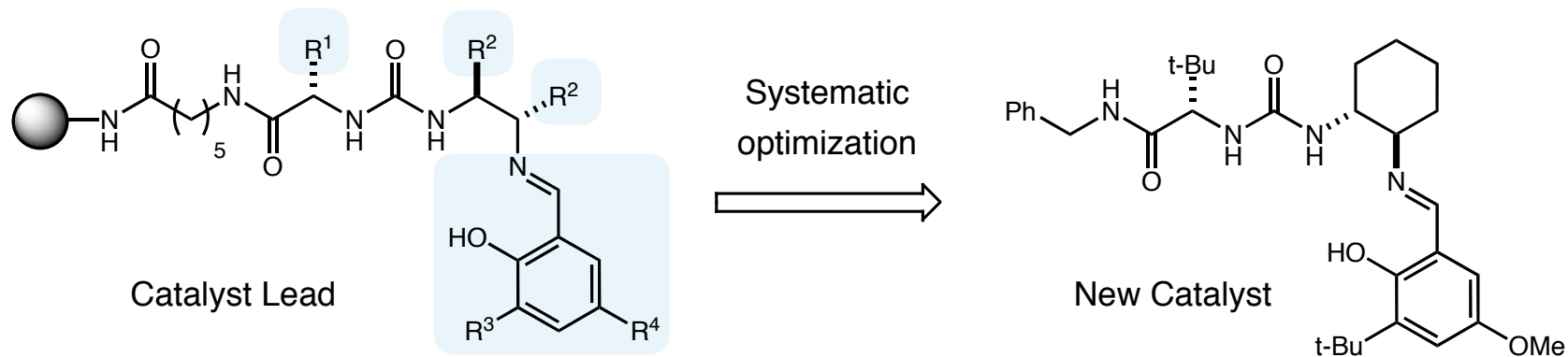


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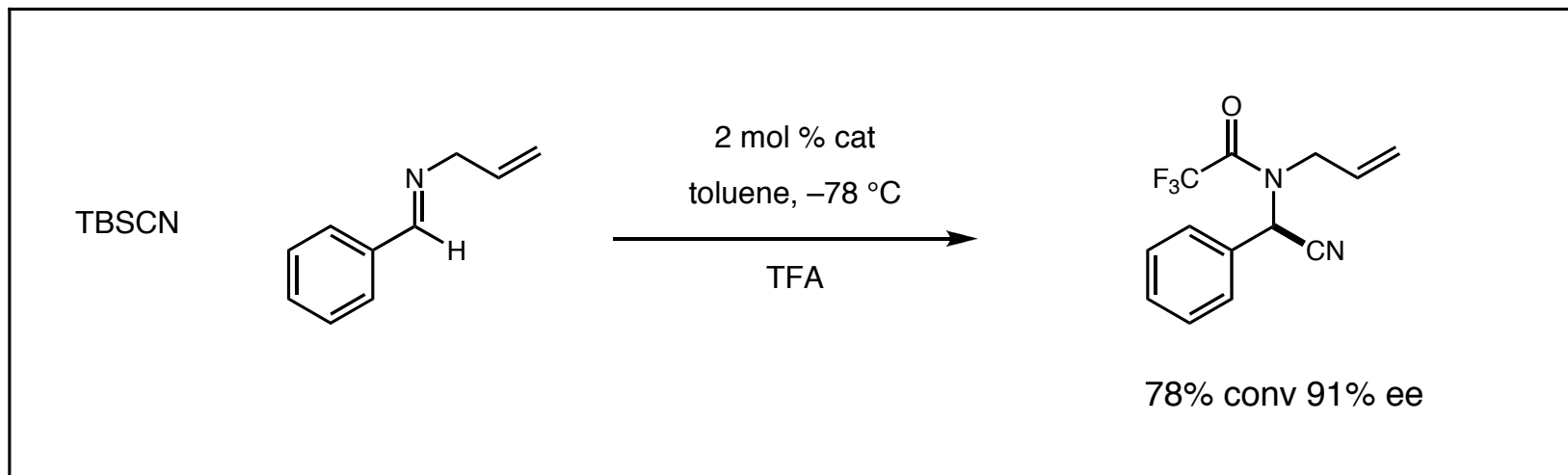
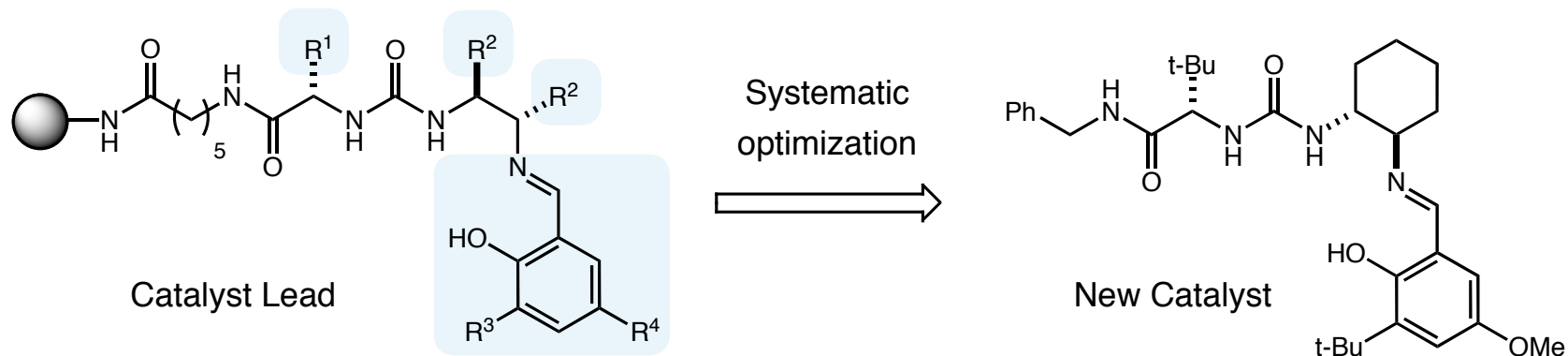
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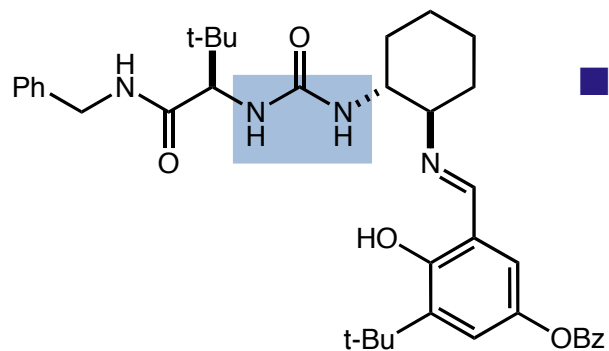


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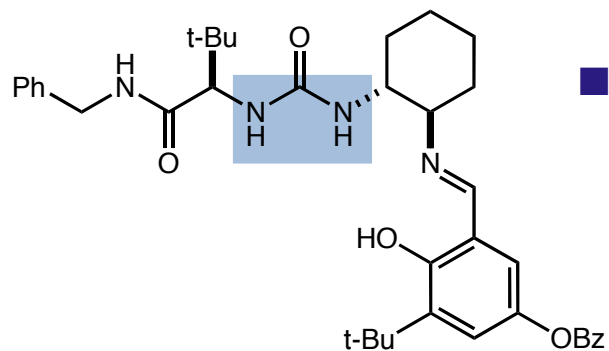
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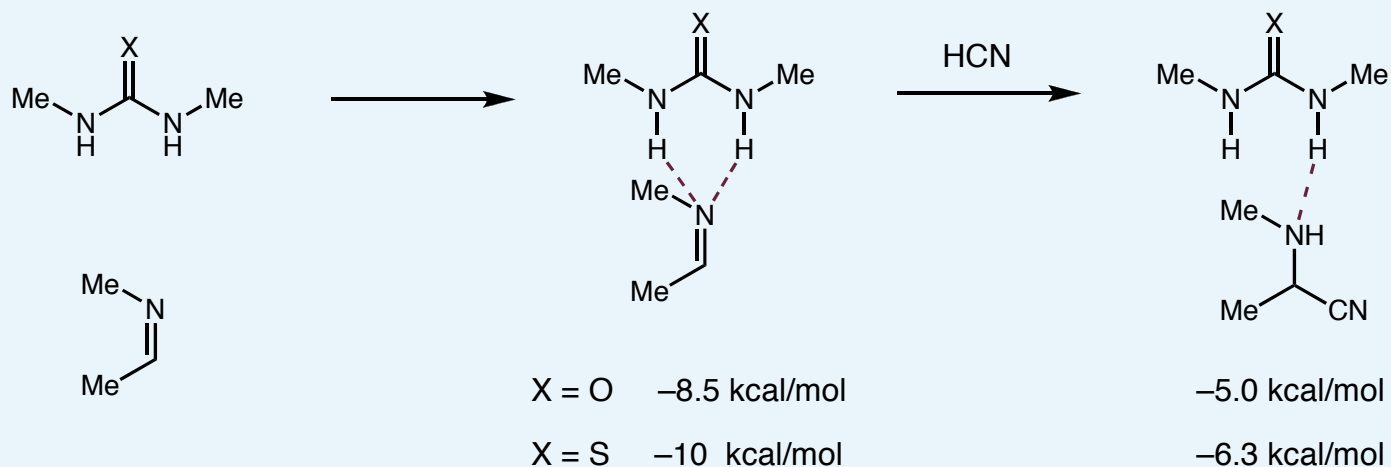


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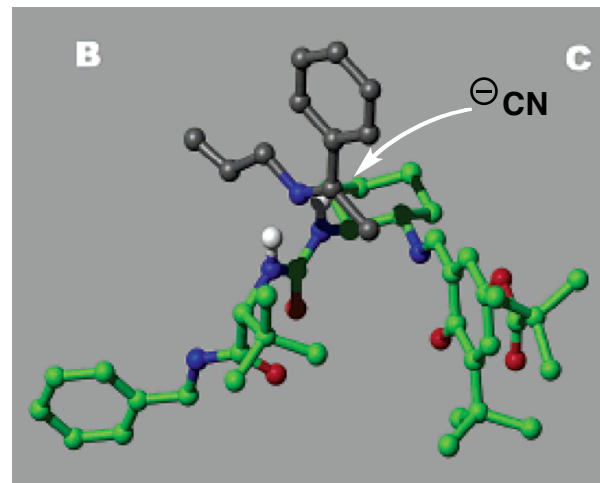
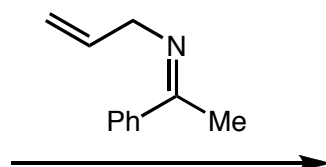
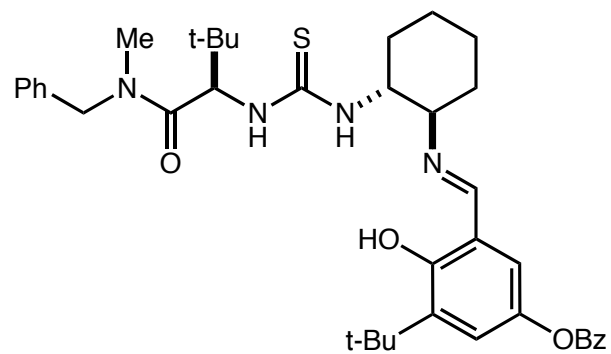
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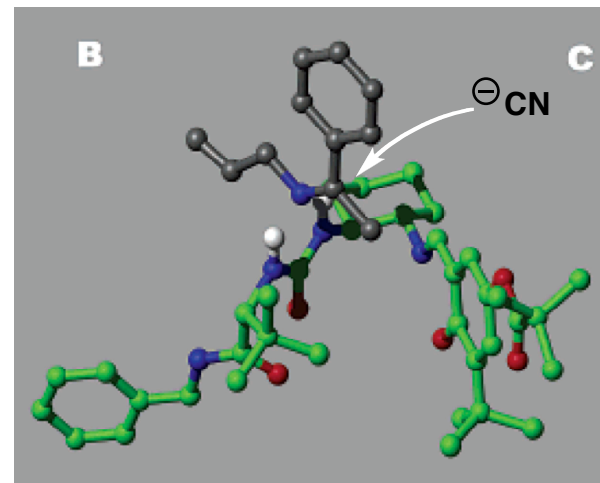
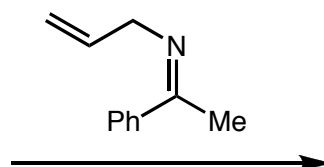
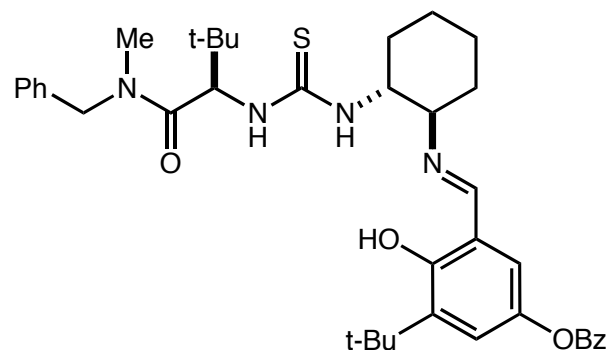
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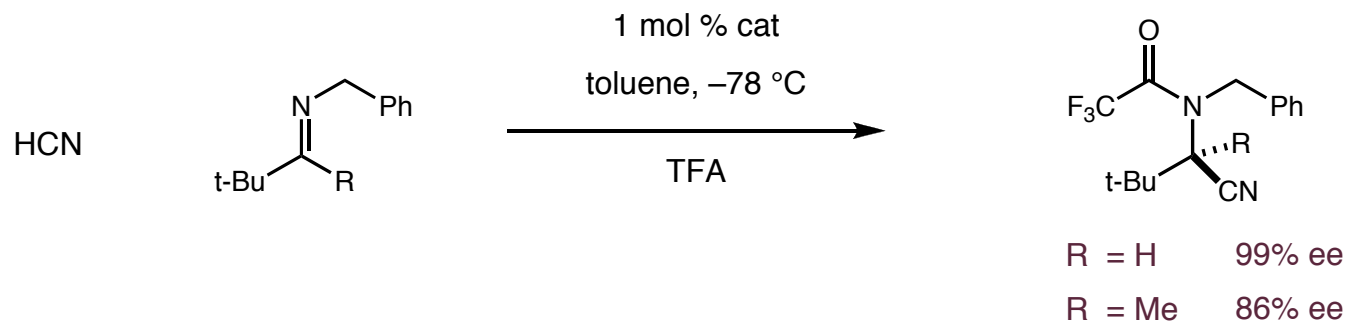


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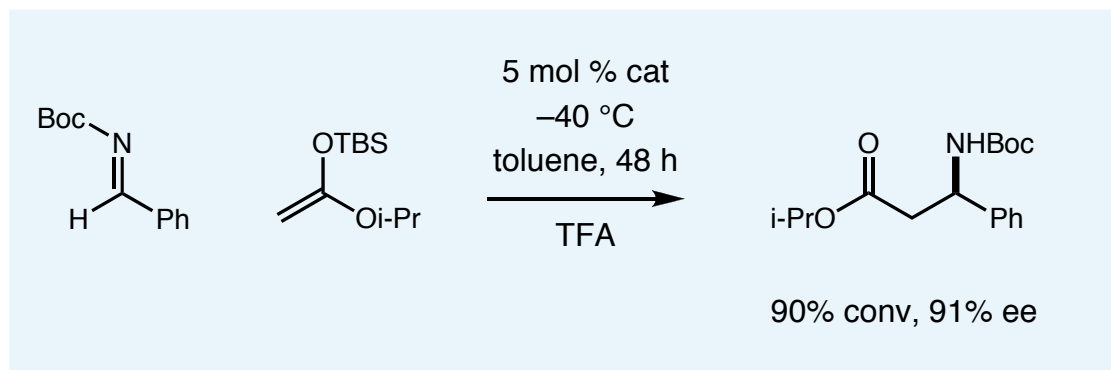
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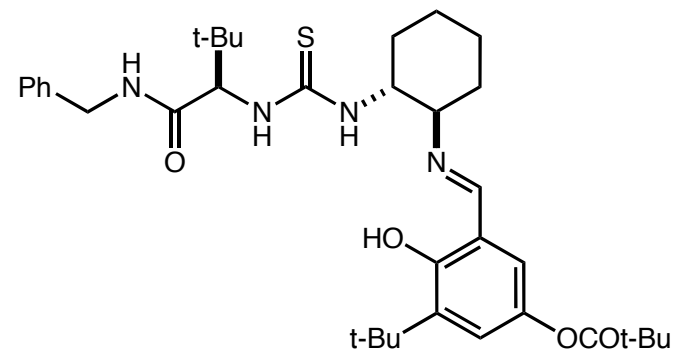
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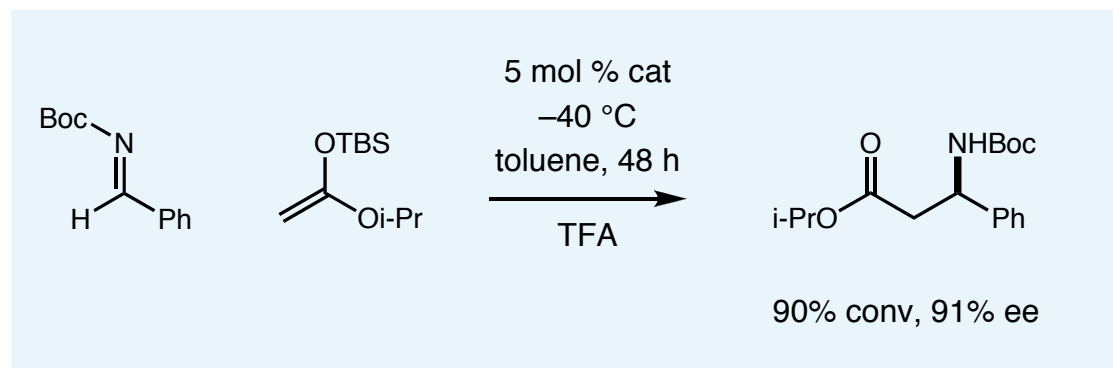


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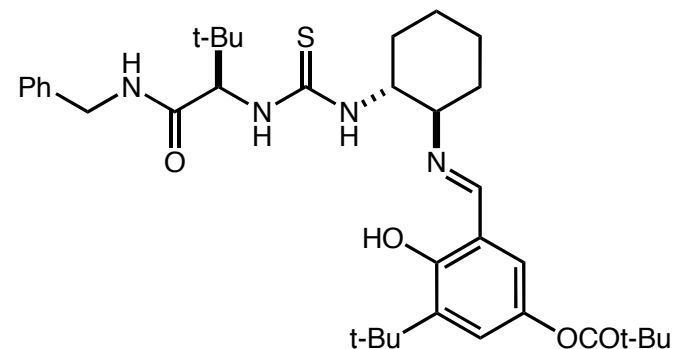


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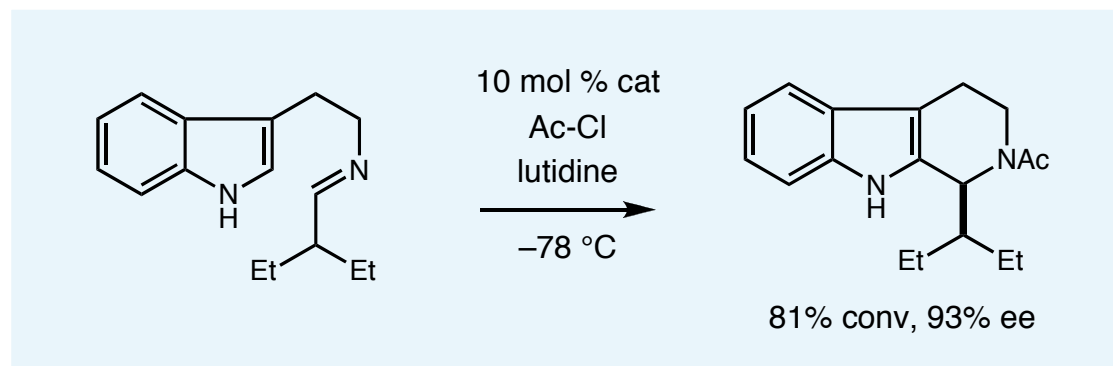
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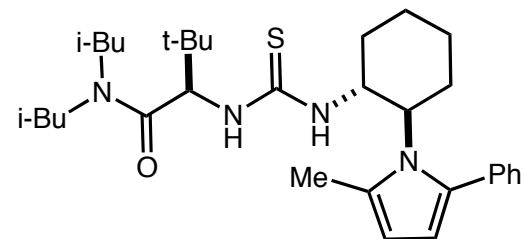
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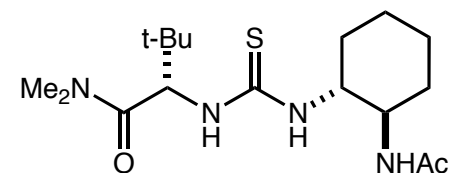
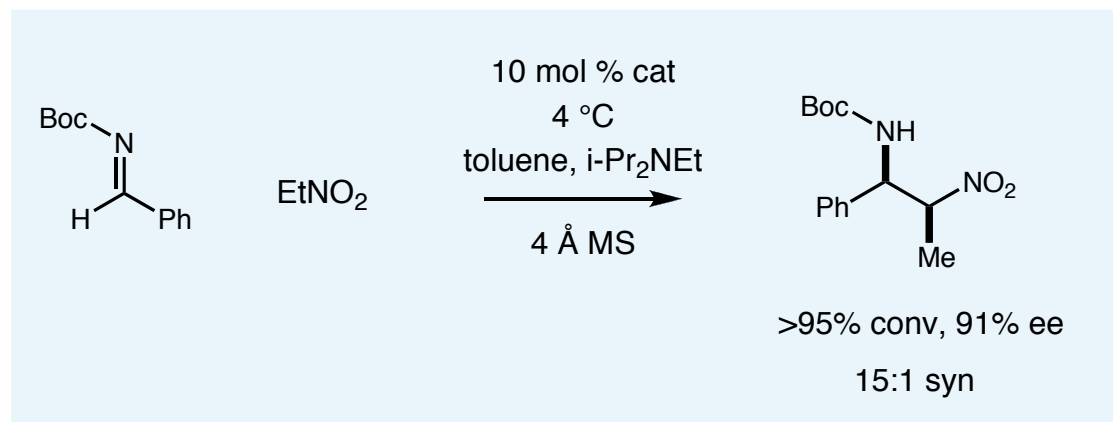


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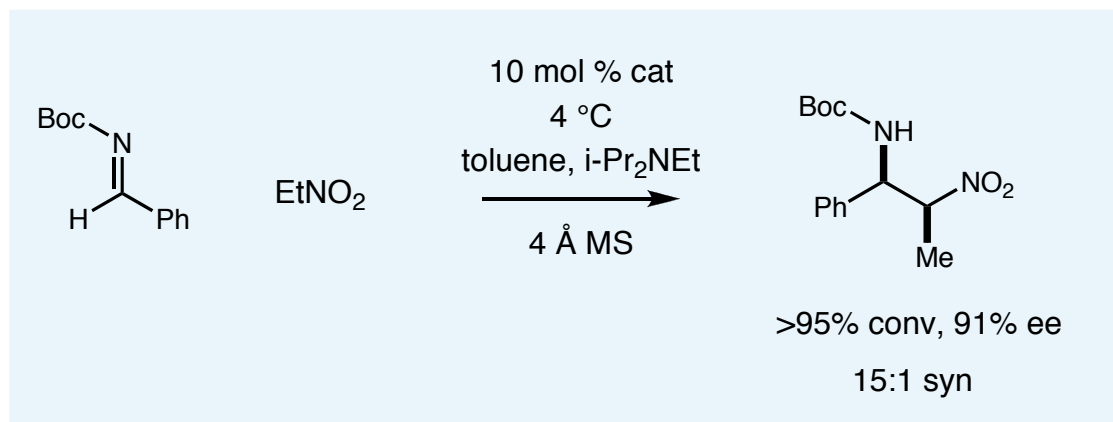
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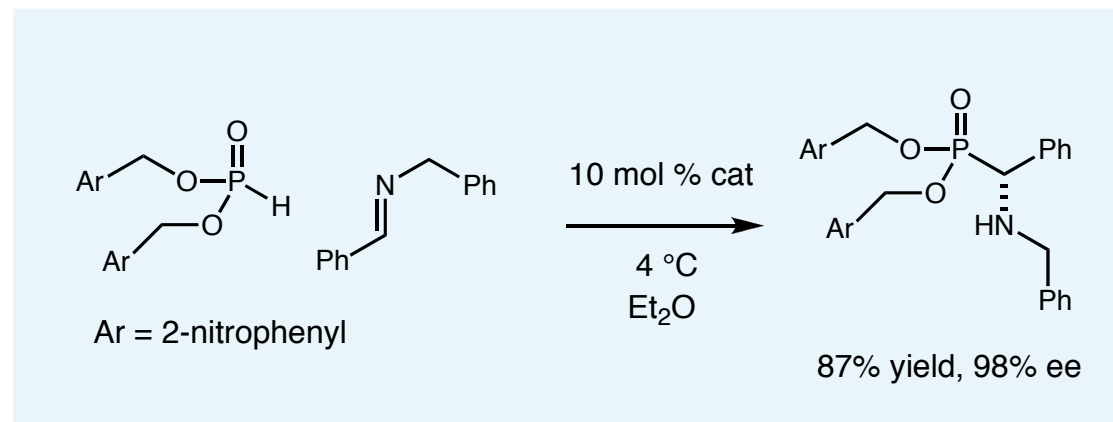
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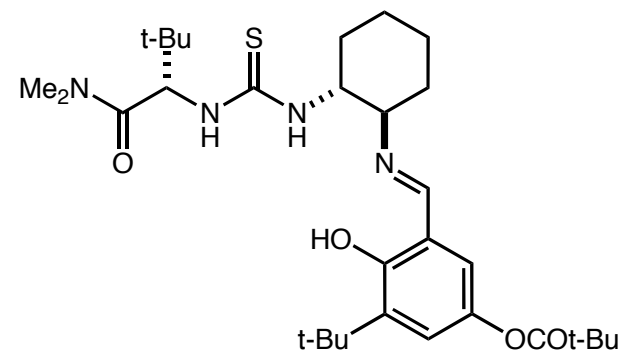
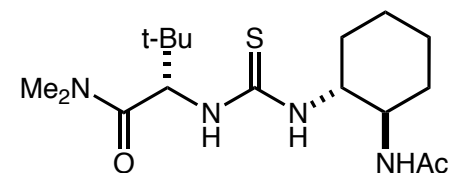


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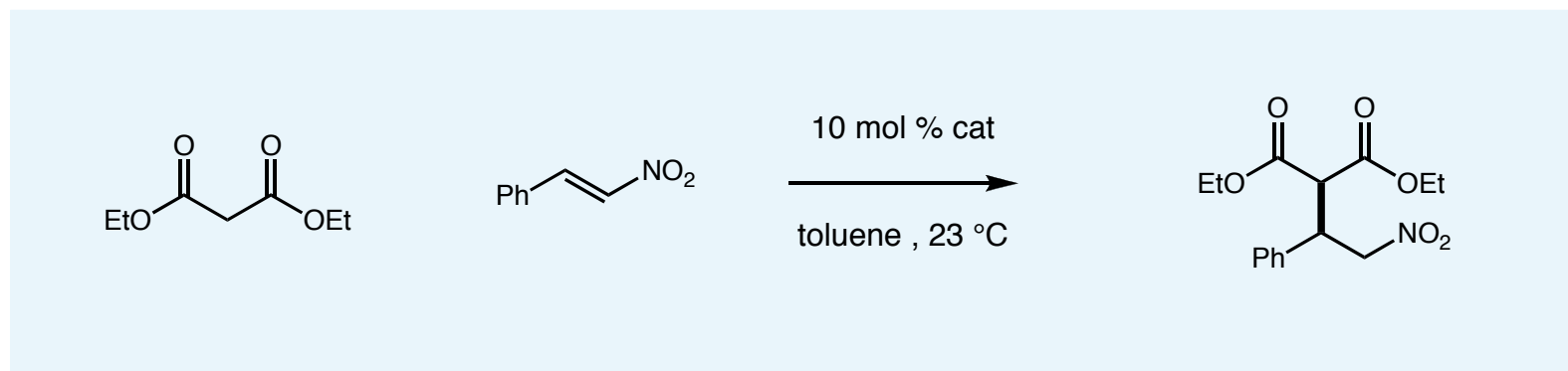


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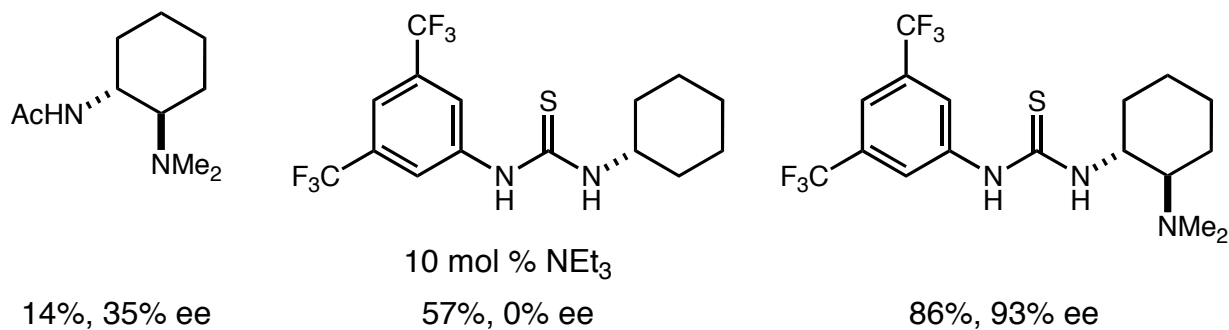


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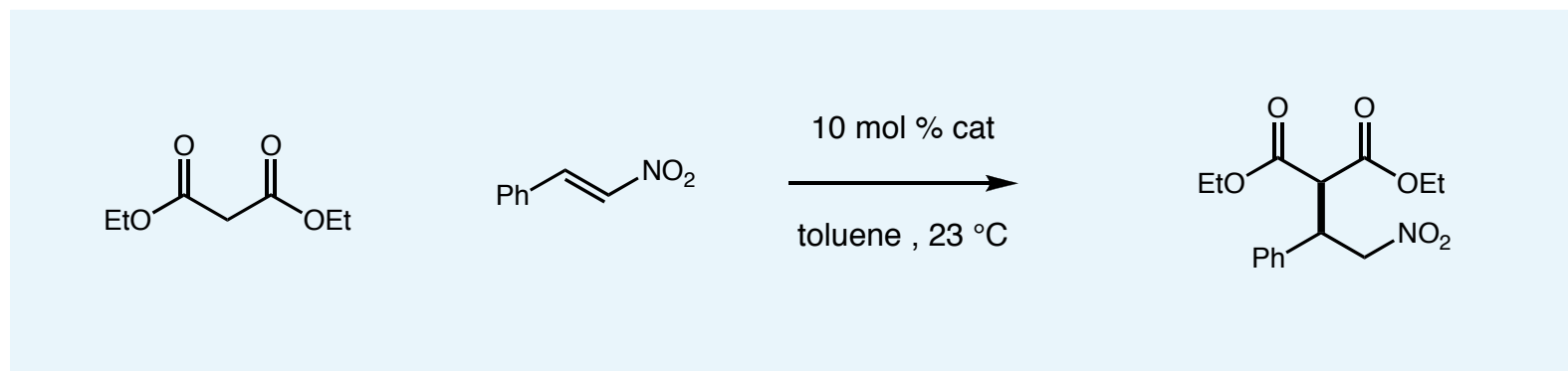


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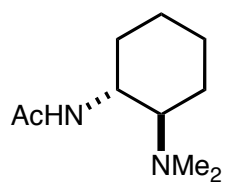


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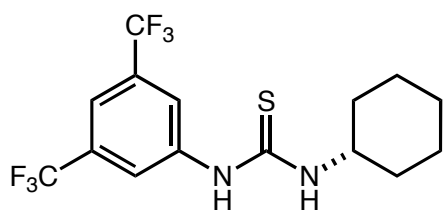
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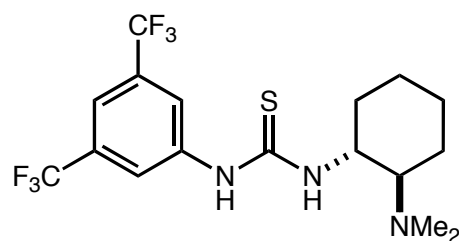


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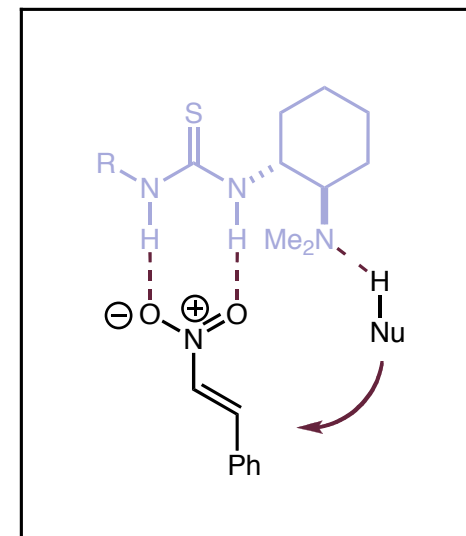


10 mol % NEt₃

57%, 0% ee

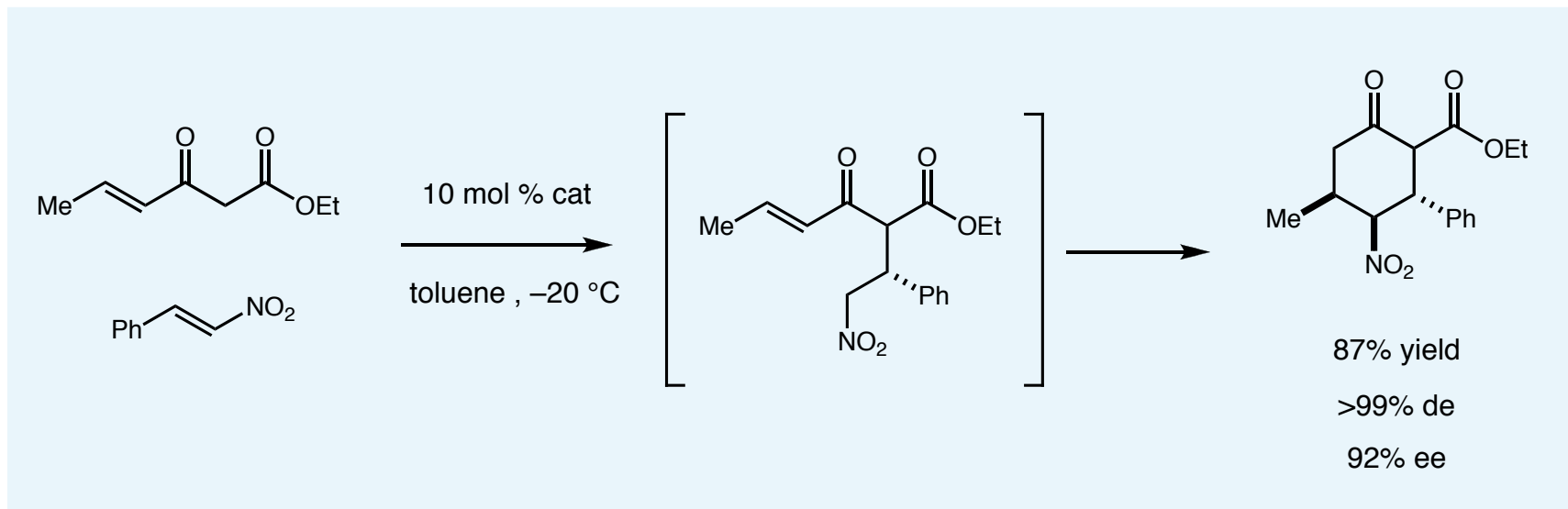


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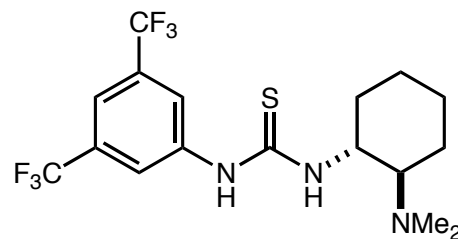


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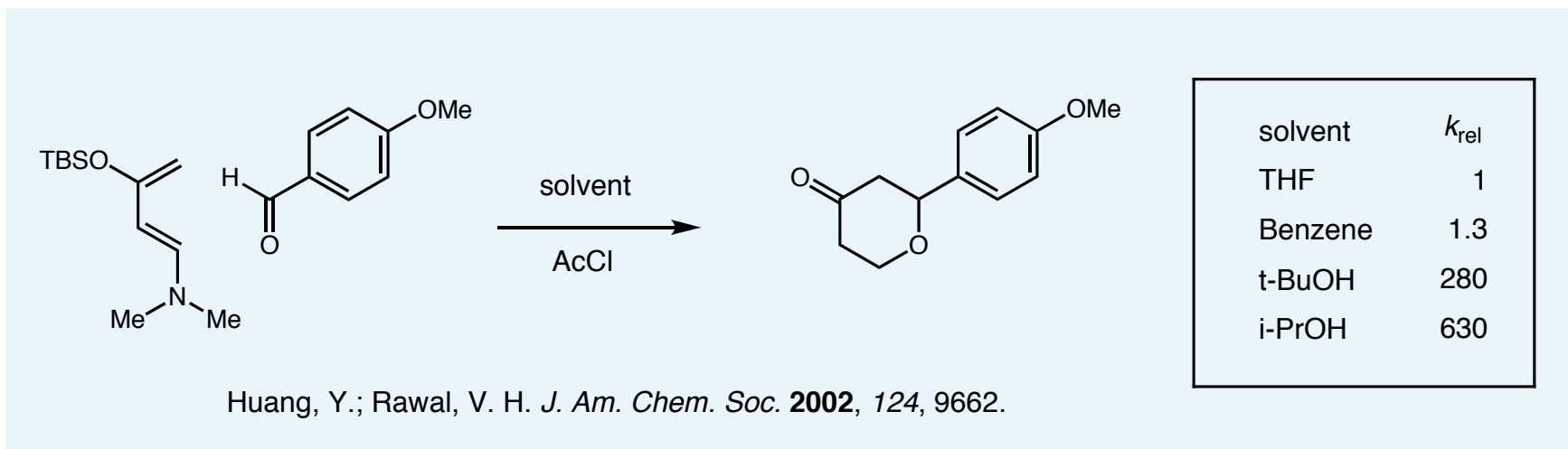


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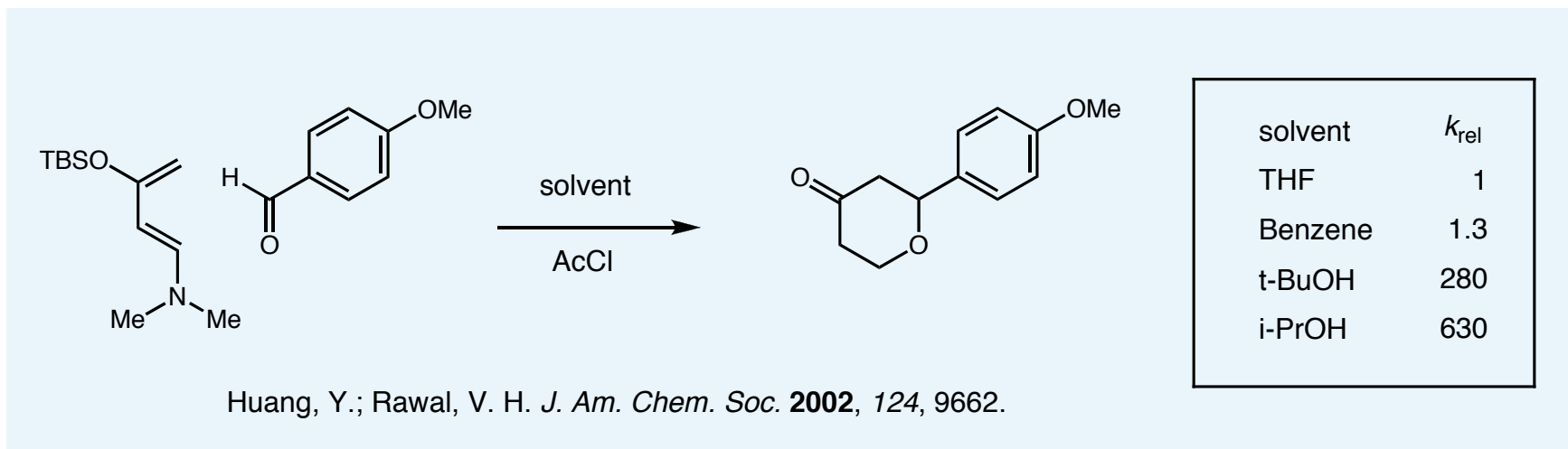
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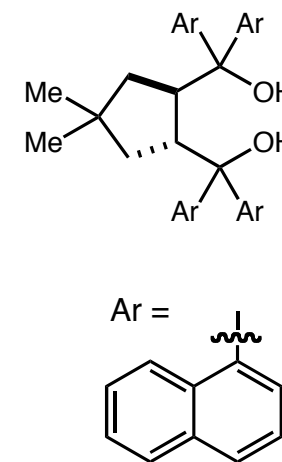
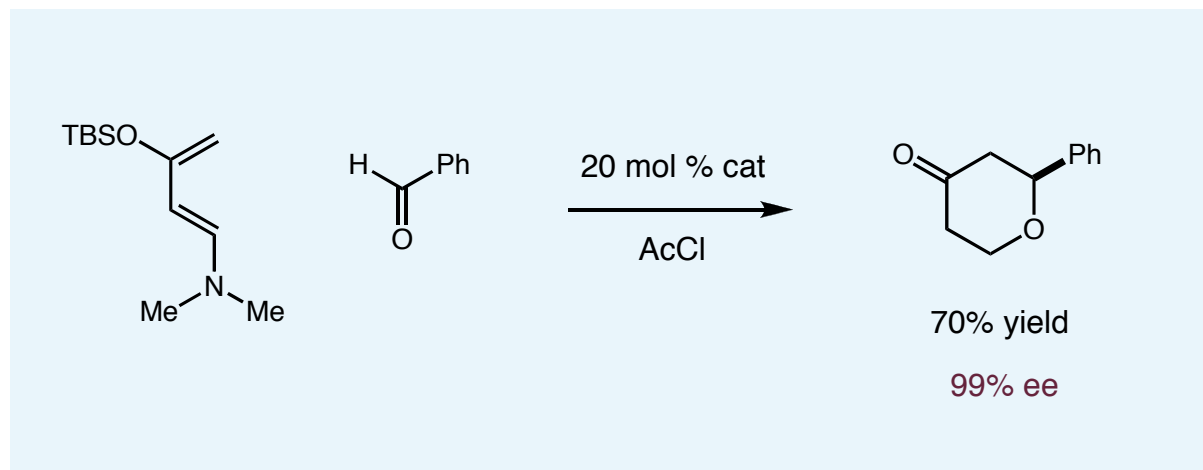
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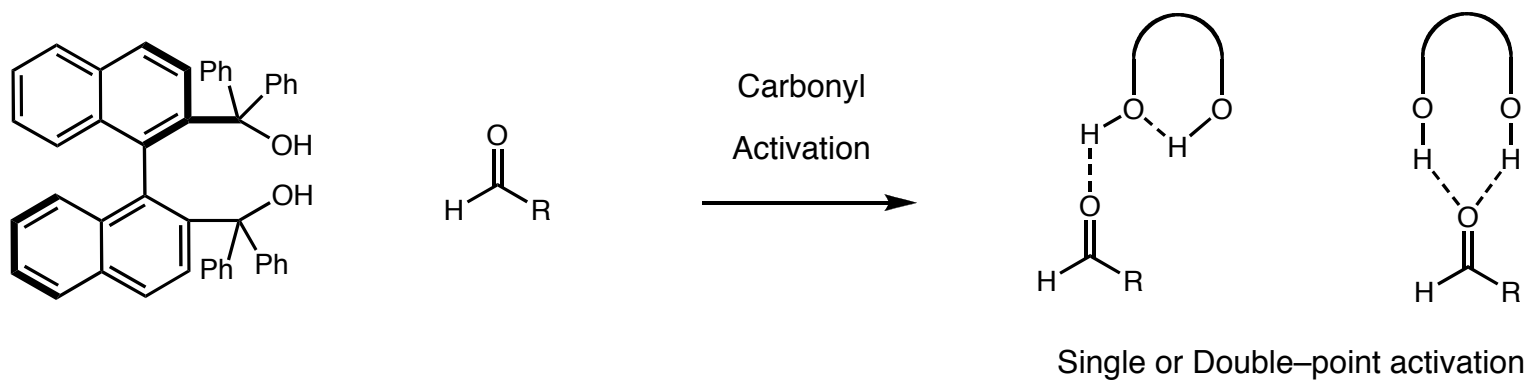
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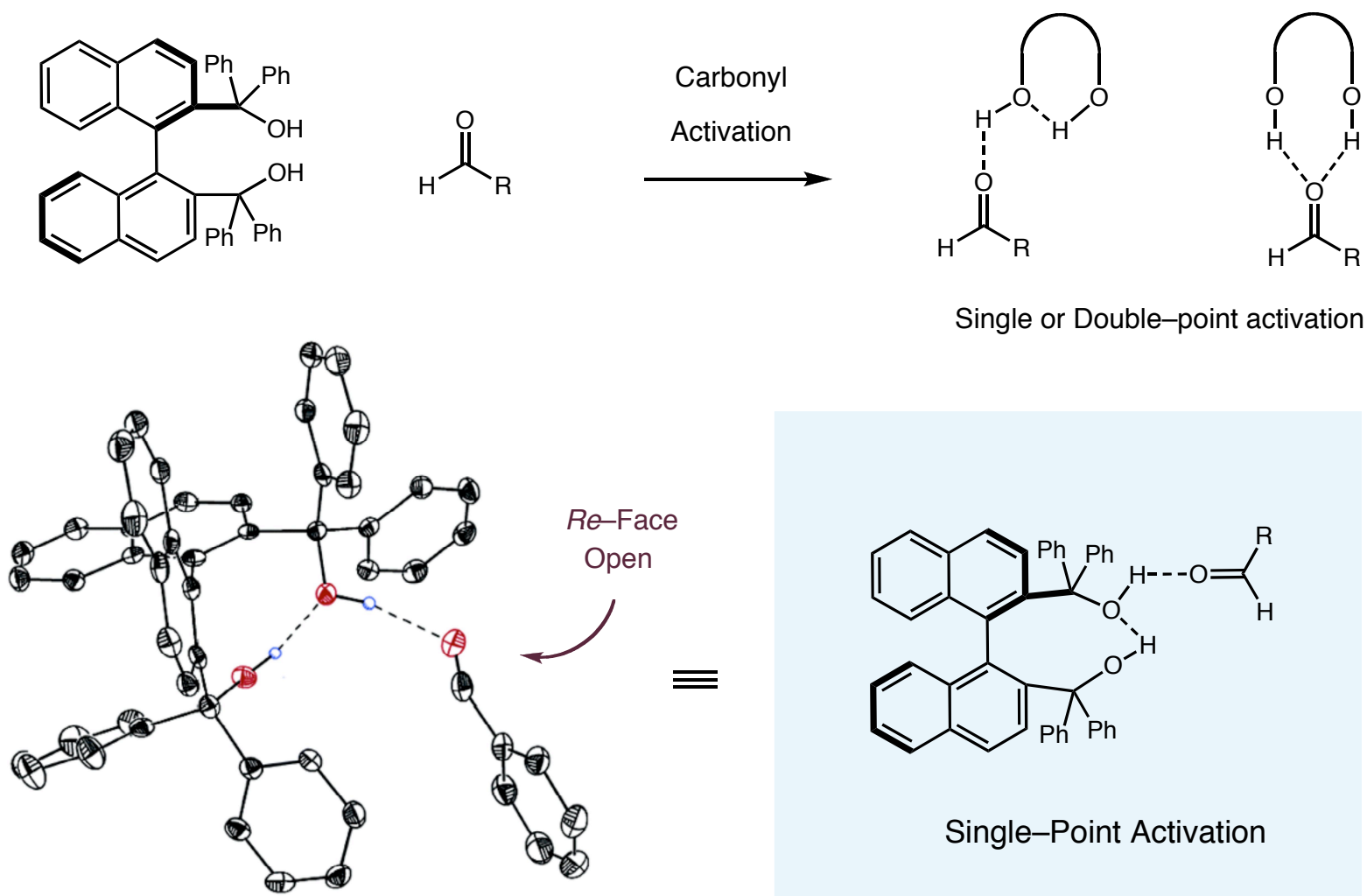
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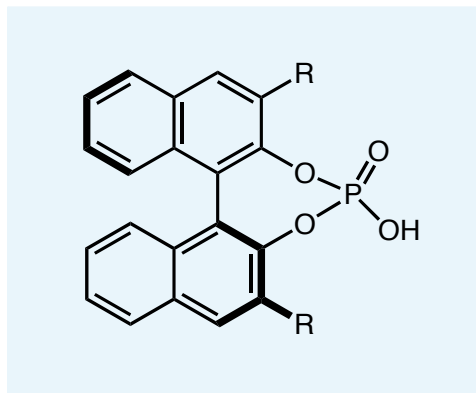
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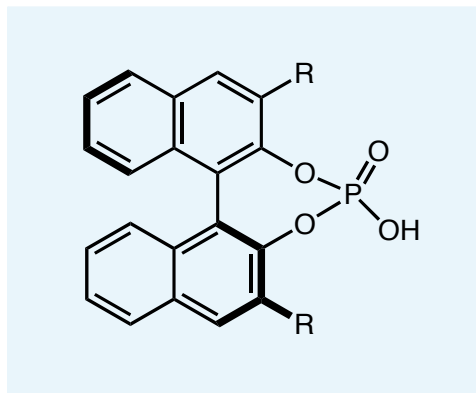
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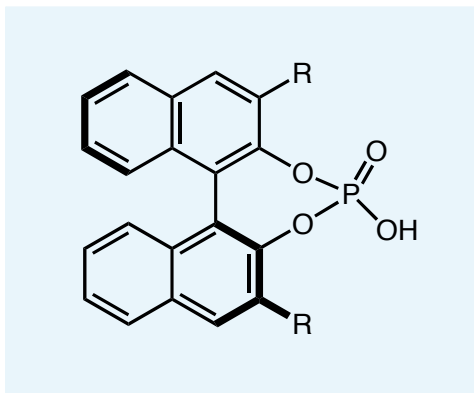
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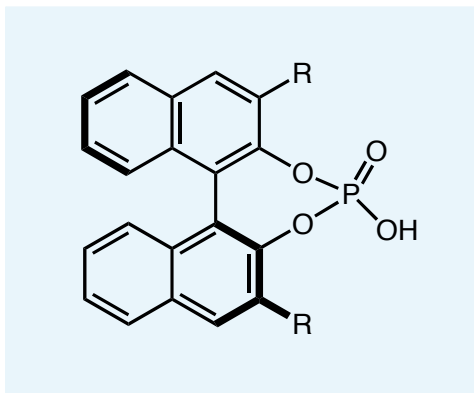
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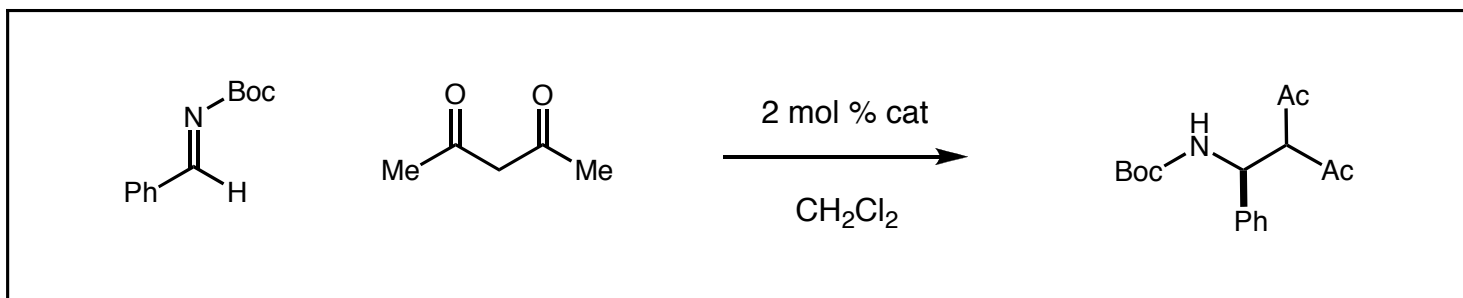
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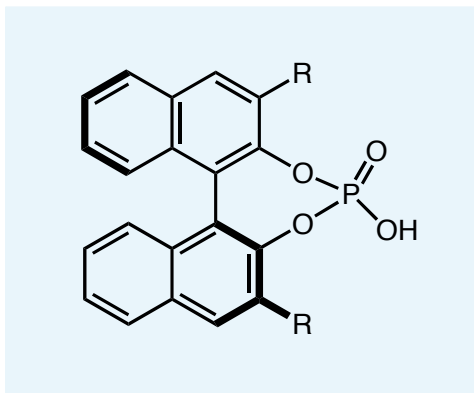


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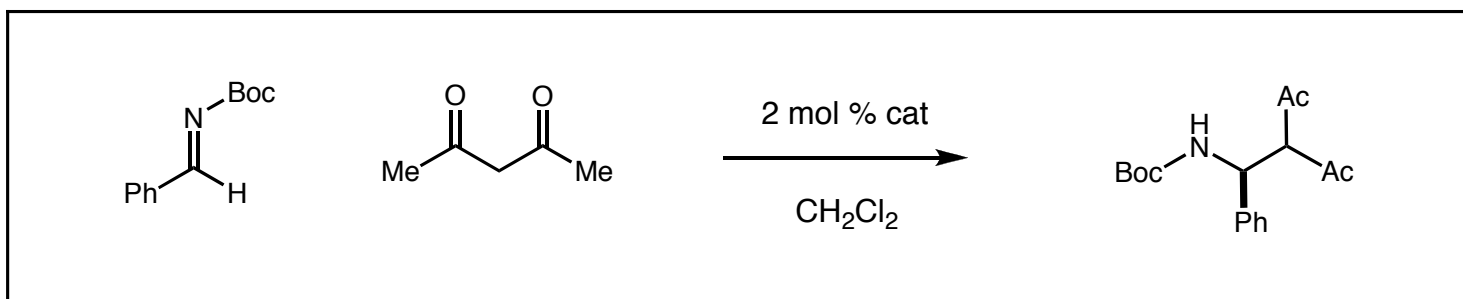


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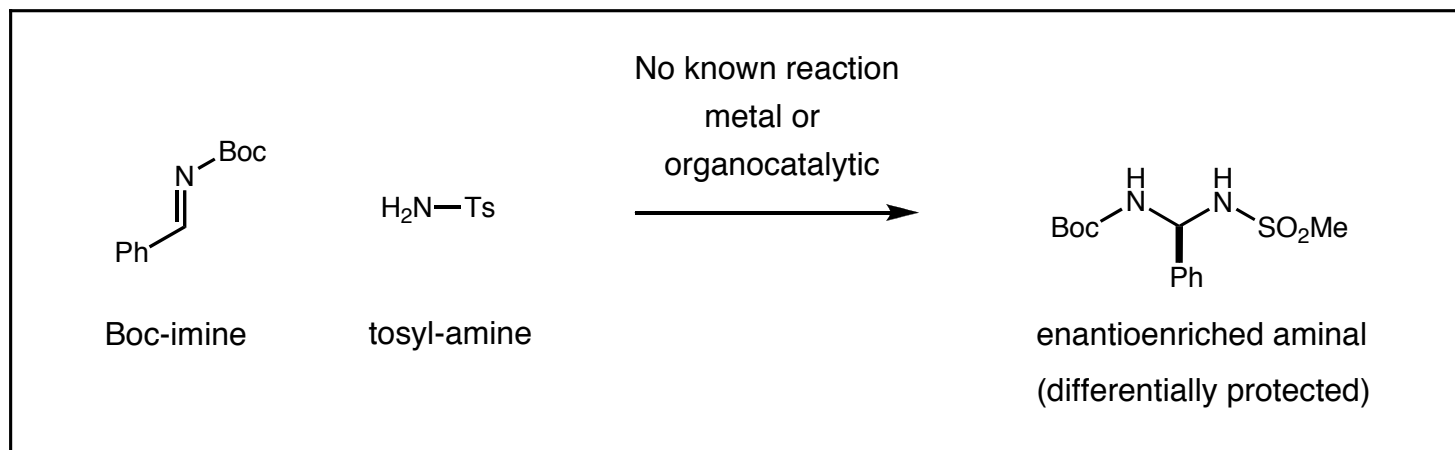
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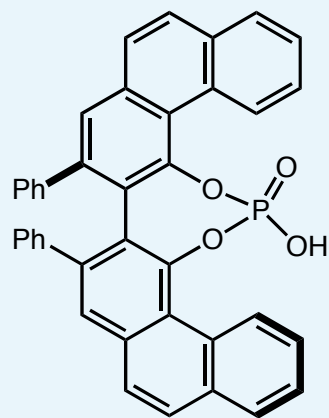
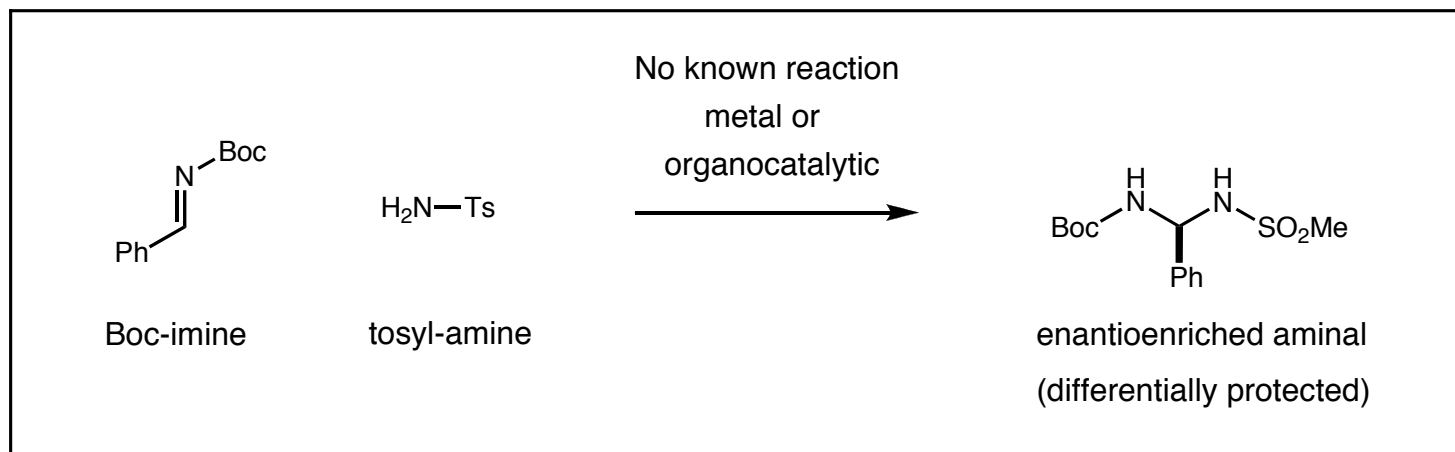
| R = | R = | R = | R = |
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| H | | | |
| 92% yield 12% ee | 95% yield 56% ee | 88% yield 90% ee | 99% yield 95% ee |

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(S)-VAPOL

5 mol % cat

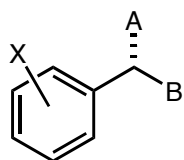
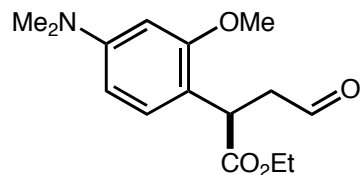
Et₂O, 1 h, 21 °C

86% yield

93% ee

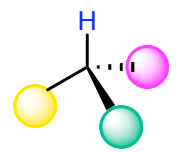
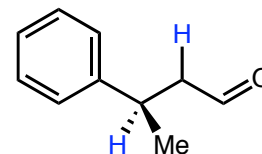
Consideration of privileged architecture and stereogenicity

Friedel–Crafts



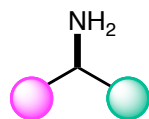
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Transfer Hydrogenation



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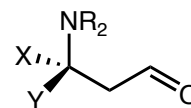
- Perhaps the most important stereogenicity for biomedical applications



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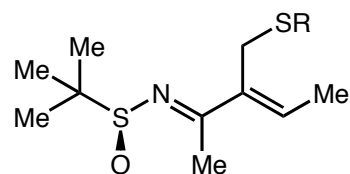
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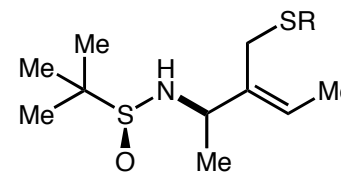
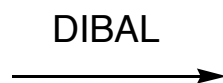
93–97% ee

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- Favourite: Ellman imine, most general—dogma breaking



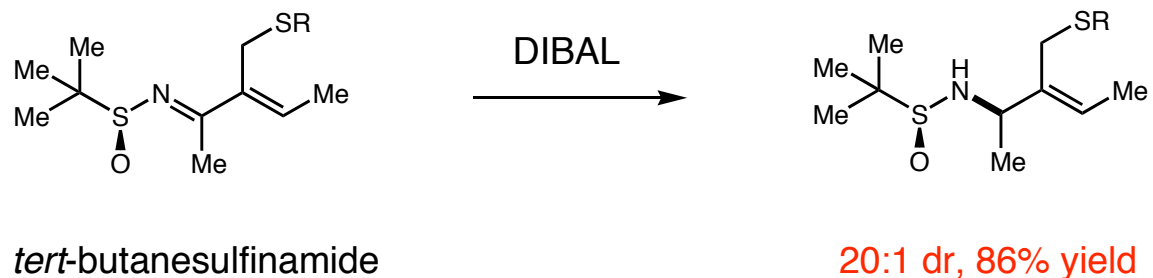
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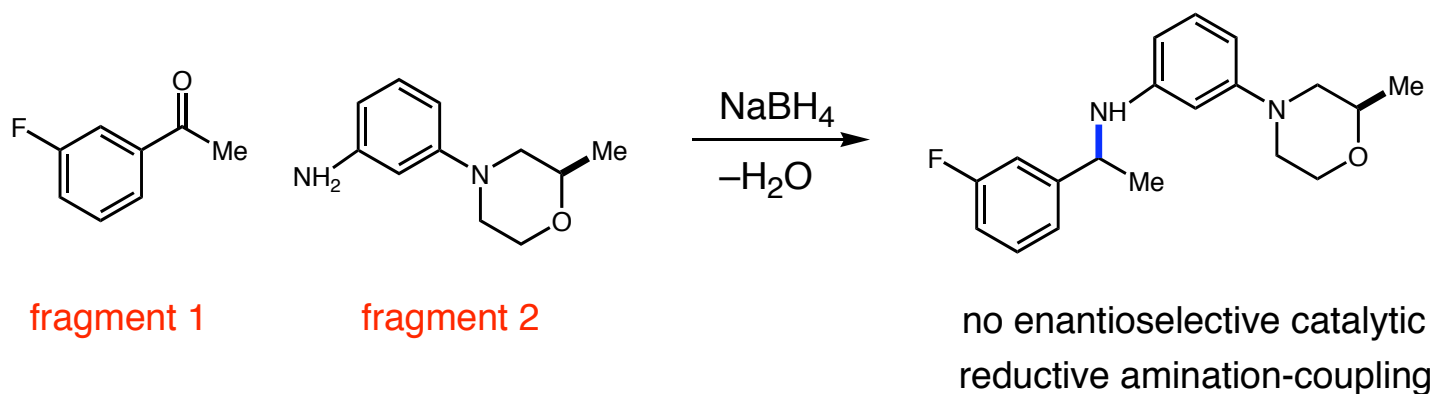
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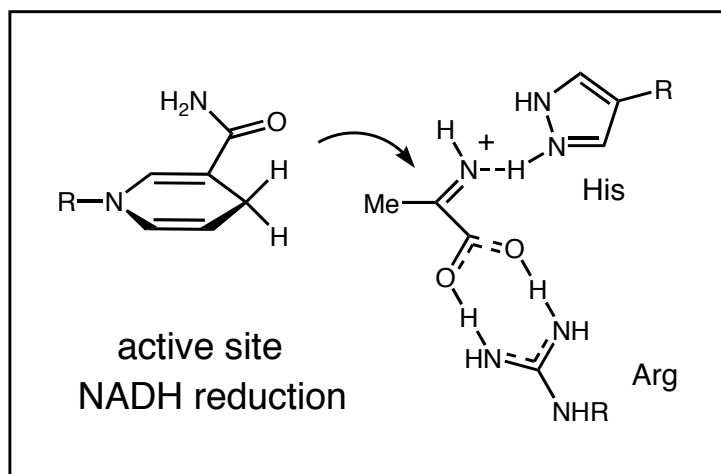
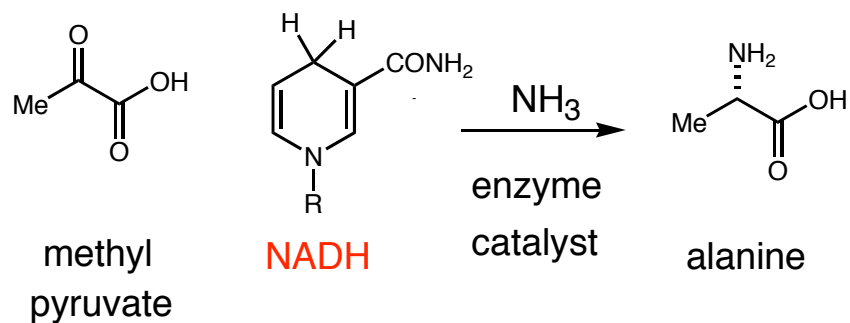


- Reductive Amination: Simultaneous fragment coupling and C–N bond formation



Organic Catalyzed Reductions in Biological Systems

■ NADH: Nature's Reduction (Hydrogenation) Reagent (Coenzyme)



alanine transferase

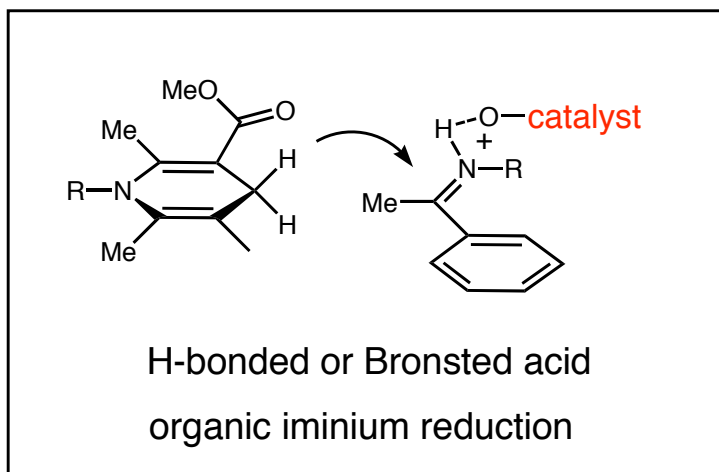
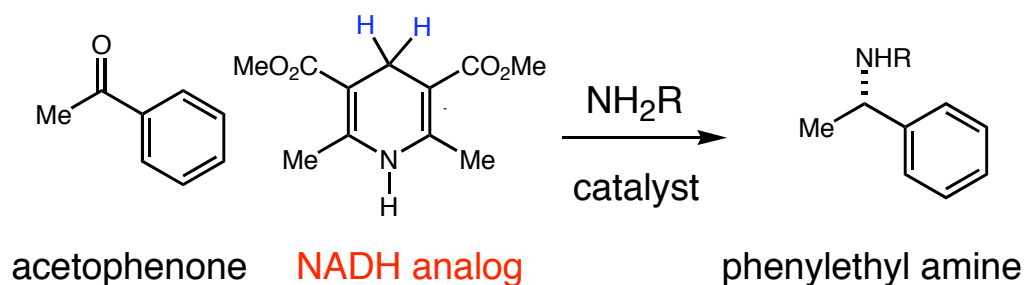


Selective reduction of pyruvate imines to create amino acids

Could this organocatalytic sequence be utilized in the reduction of carbon-carbon double bonds

Organic Catalyzed Reductions in Laboratory Systems

■ Hantzsch ester as a useful surrogate for NADH reductions in the lab

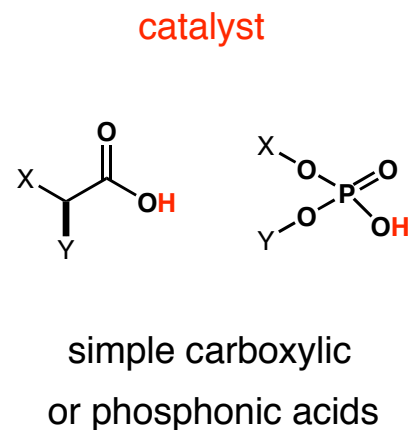
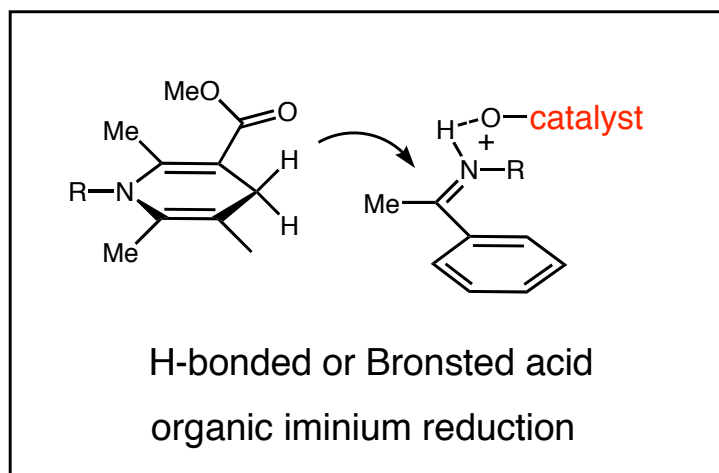
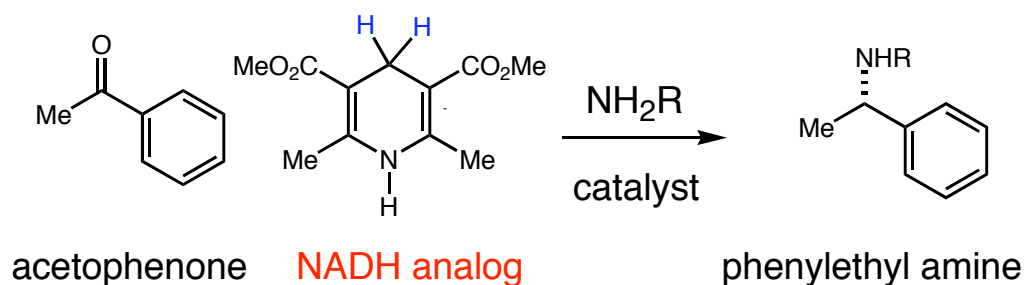


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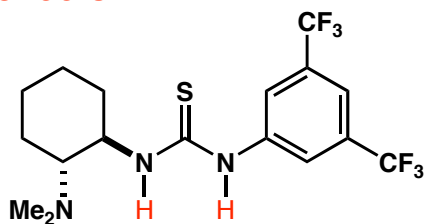


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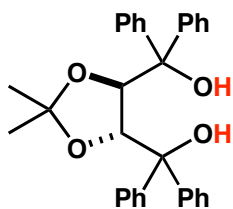
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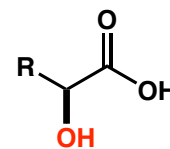
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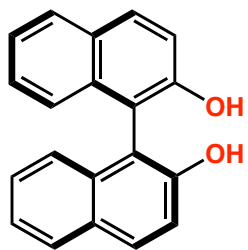
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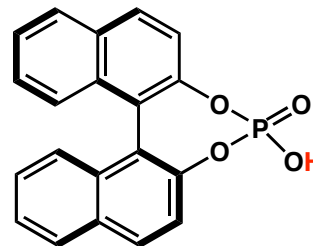
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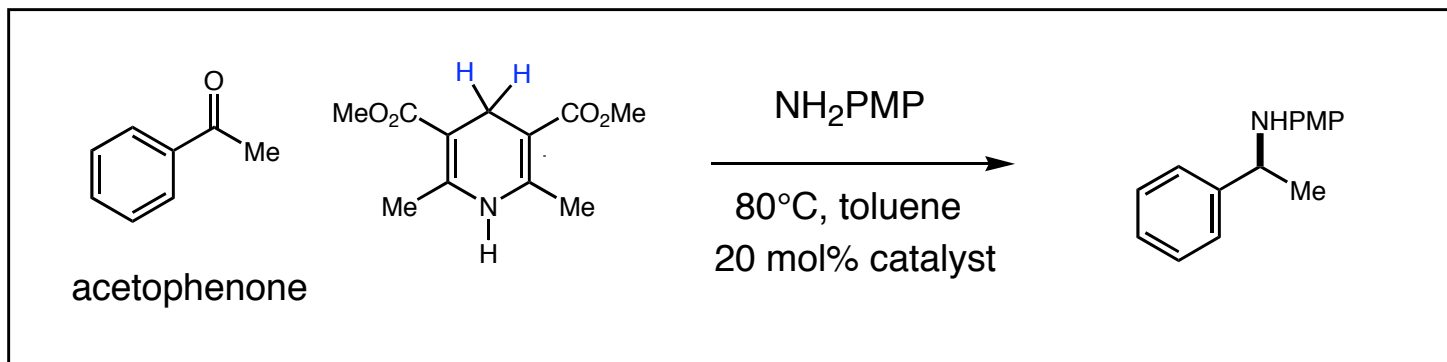


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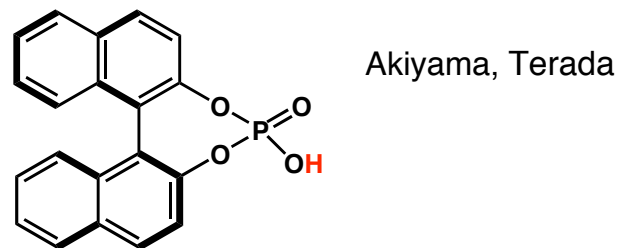
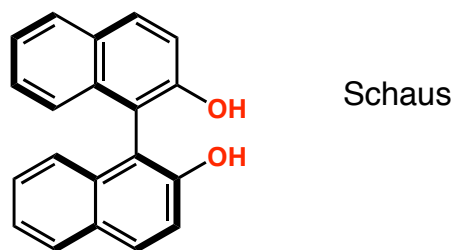
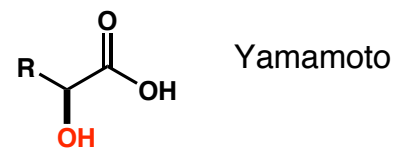
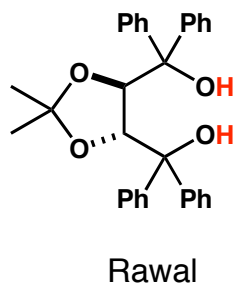
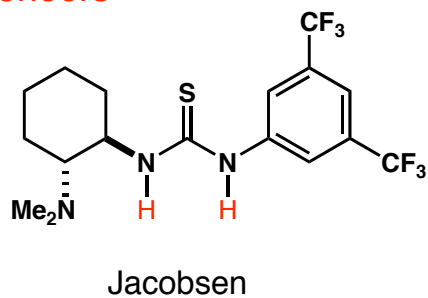


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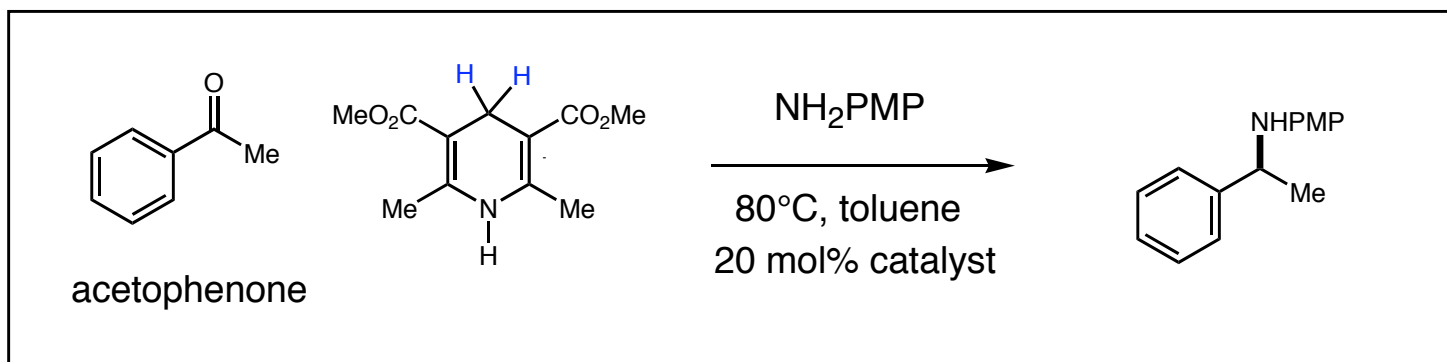
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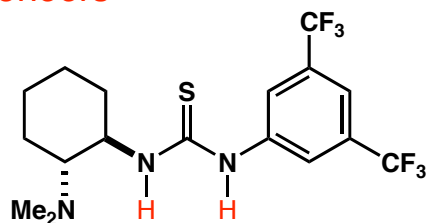
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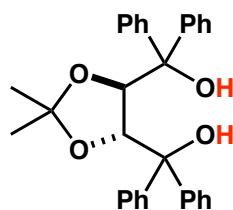


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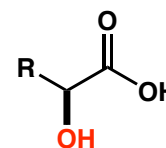
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No reaction



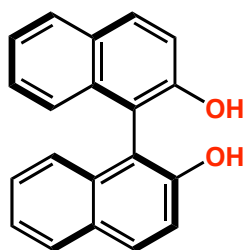
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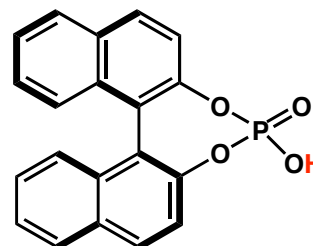


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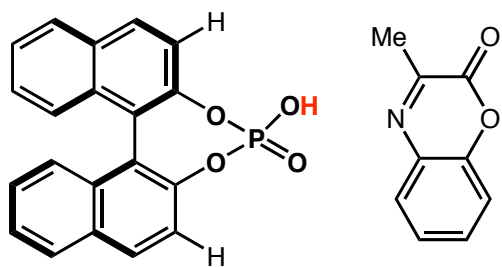
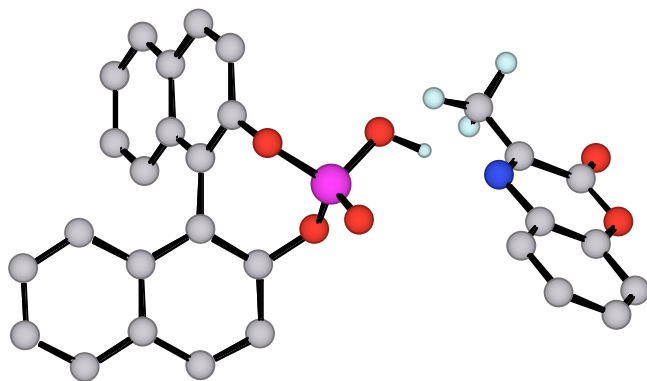
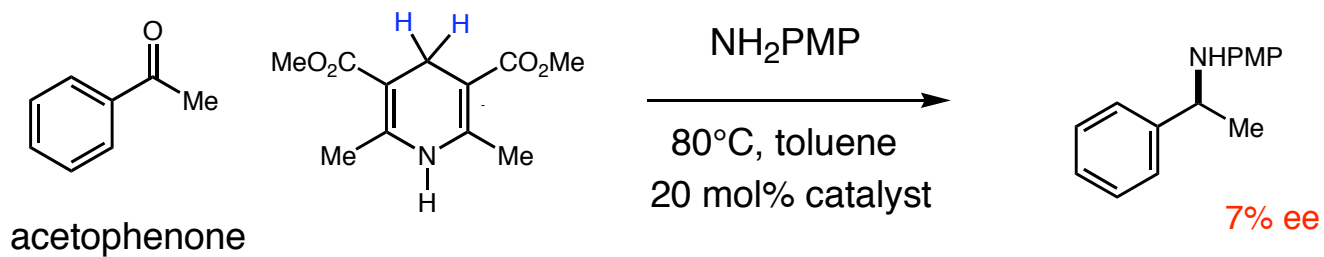


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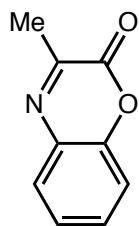
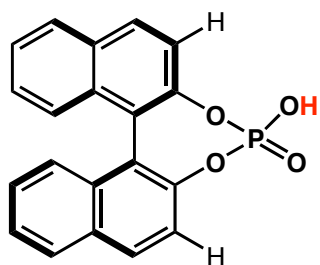
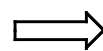
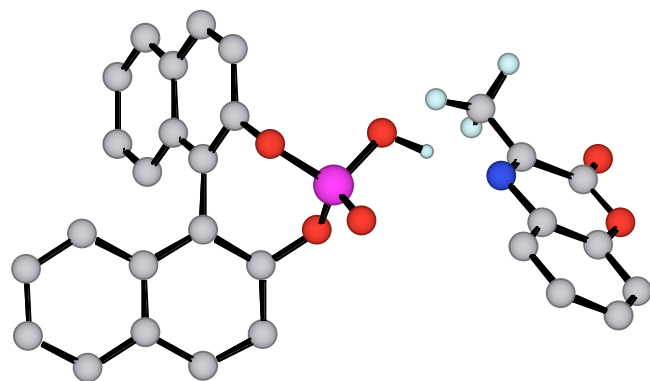
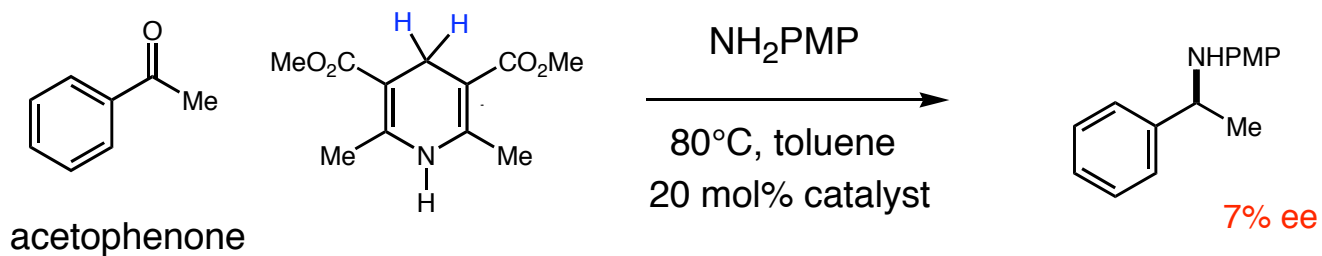
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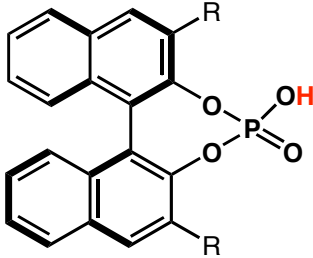
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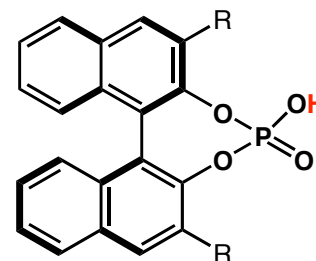
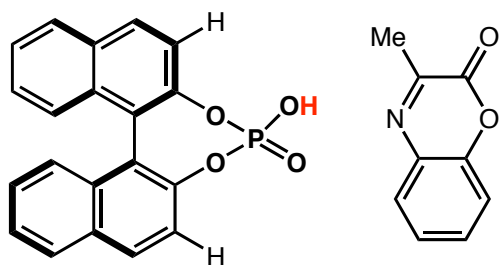
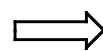
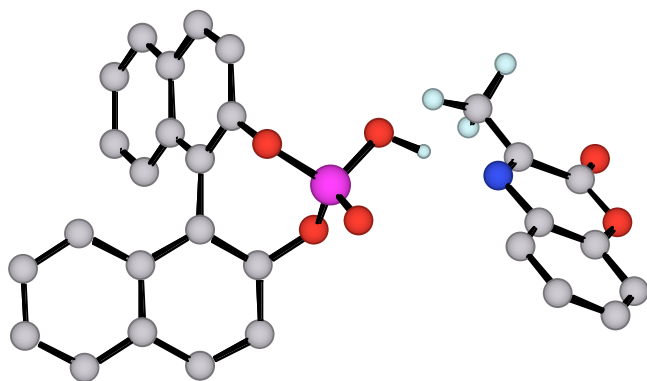
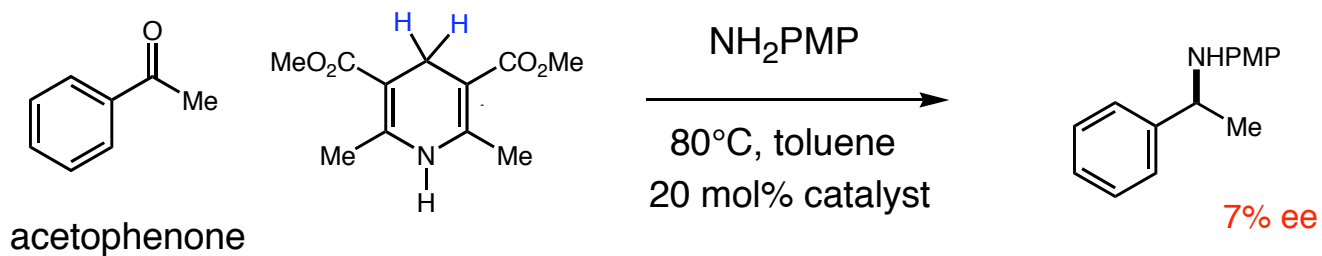


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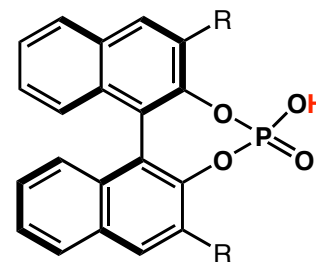
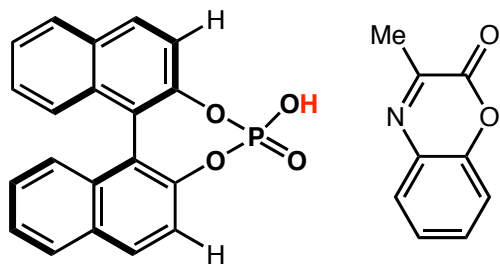
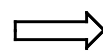
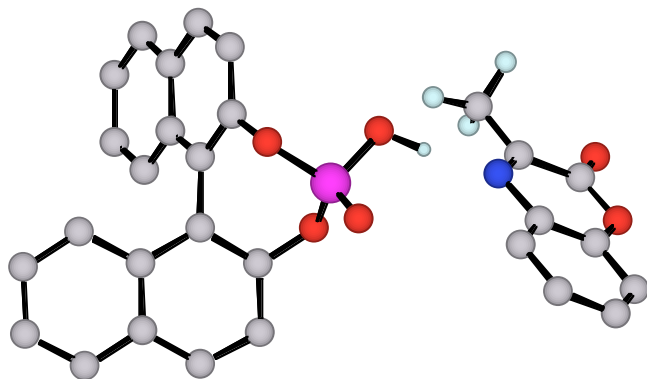
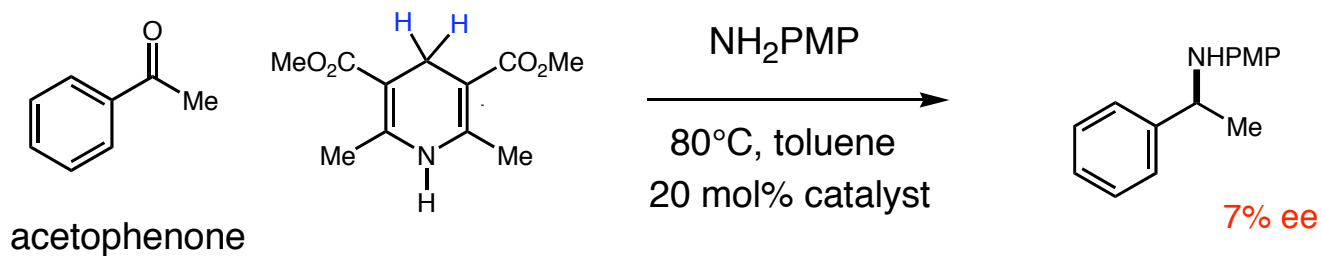
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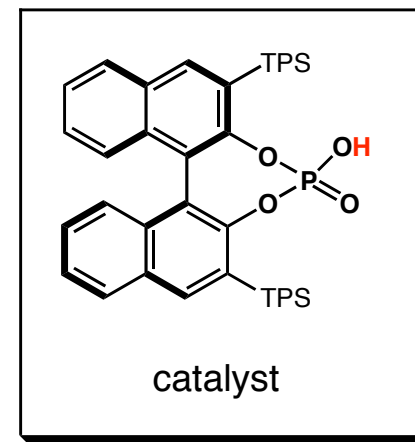
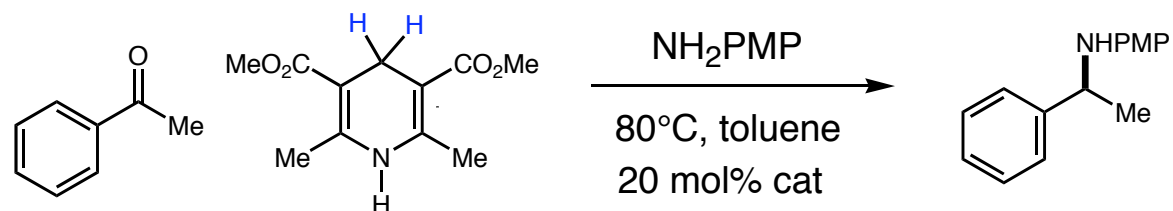
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|-----------------------------------|--------------|------------|
| H | 43 | 7 |
| Ph(NO ₂) ₂ | 45 | 16 |
| Ph(CF ₃) ₂ | 39 | 65 |
| 2-Nap | 56 | 40 |

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| Ph ₃ Si | 90 | 85 |

The impact of additives and temperature on the reductive amination

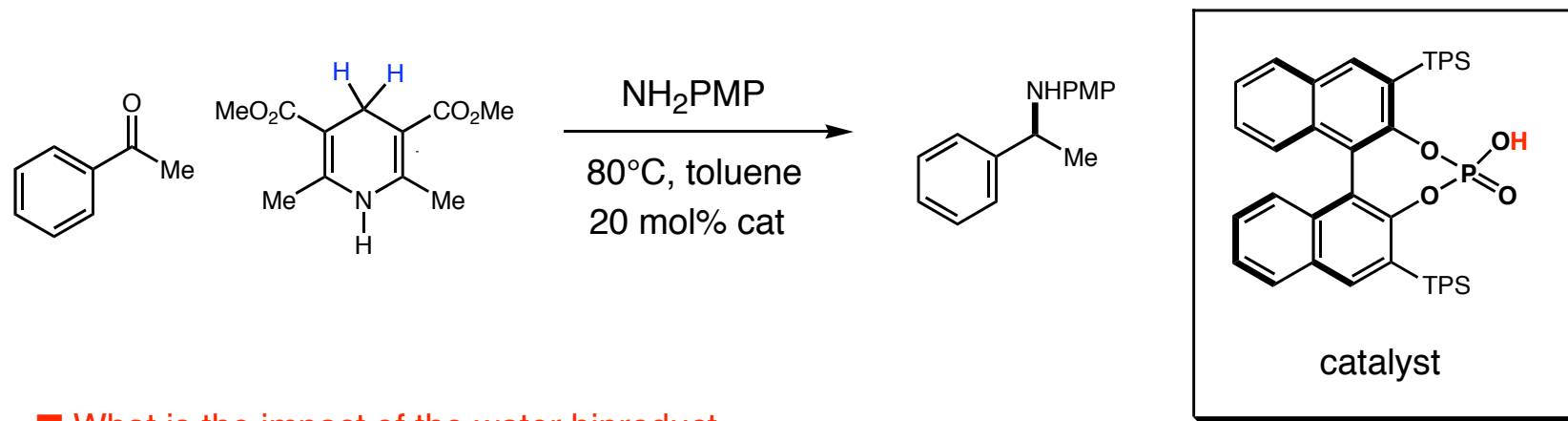


■ What is the impact of the water biproduct

| <u>additive</u> | <u>Time</u> | <u>Yield</u> | <u>%ee</u> |
|----------------------------|-------------|--------------|------------|
| -- | 28 h | 90 | 85 |
| H_2O (1eq) | 72 h | 35 | 77 |
| H_2O (2eq) | 72 h | <10 | 72 |
| MgSO_4 | 20 h | 79 | 83 |
| Na_2SO_4 | 36 h | 83 | 85 |

■ What is the scope of this transformation with respect to ketones?

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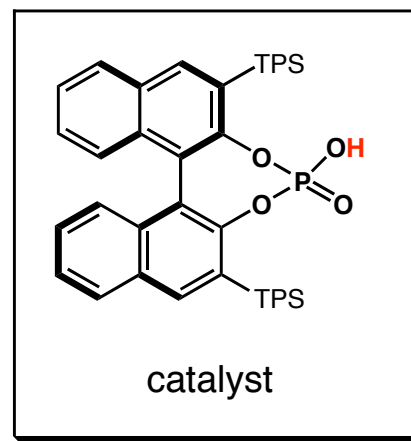
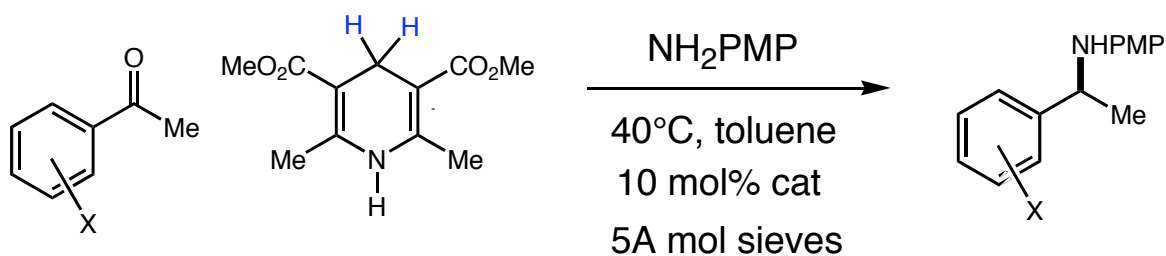
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|---------------------------------|------|-------|-----|
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| 5A mol sieves | 6 h | 85 | 90 |

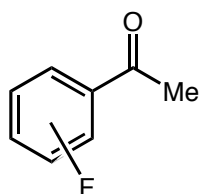
| Temp | Time | Yield | %ee |
|------|------|-------|-----|
| 80° | 6 h | 85 | 90 |
| 60° | 22 h | 90 | 93 |
| 40° | 36 h | 86 | 95 |

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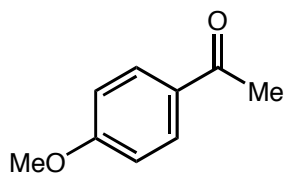
The scope of the reductive amination with respect to aryl ketones



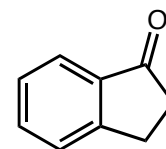
■ Scope of the ketone component



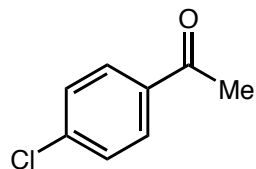
(o) 83% ee
(m) 95% ee
(p) 94% ee
60-85% yield



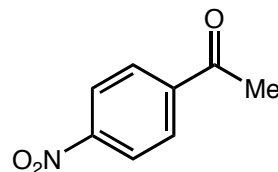
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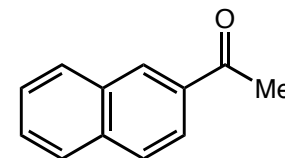
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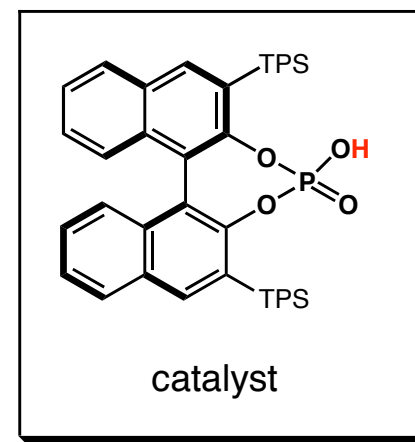
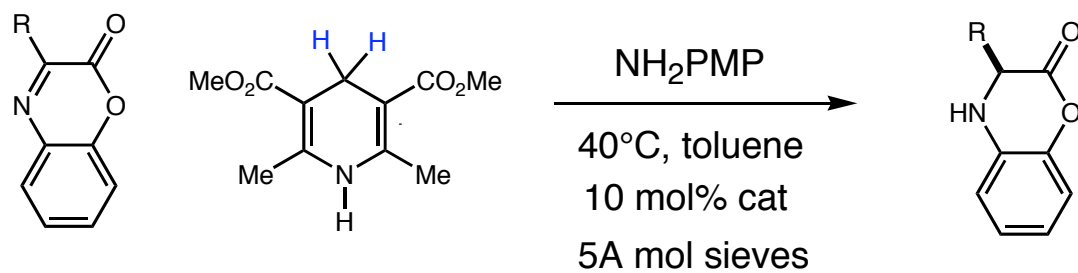
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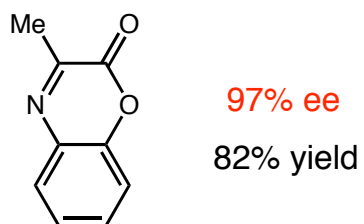
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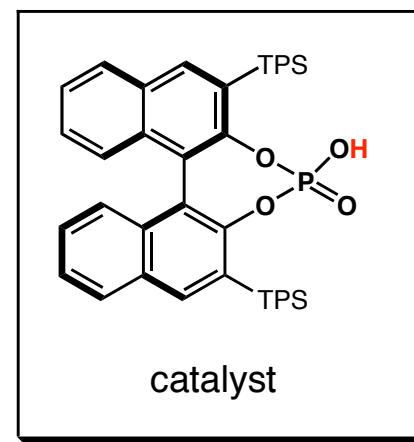
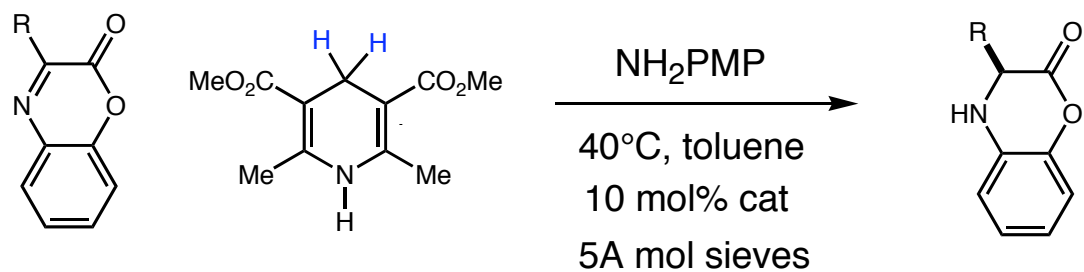
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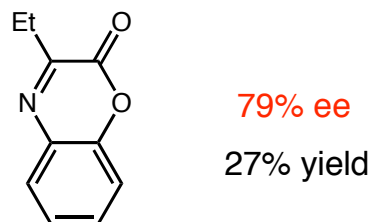
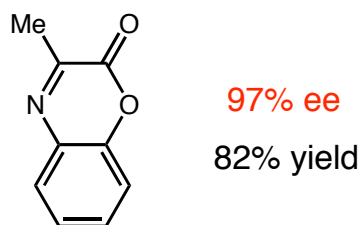
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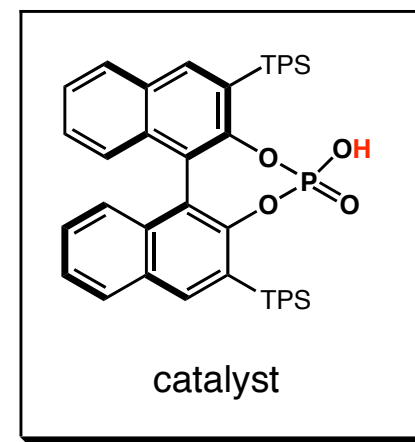
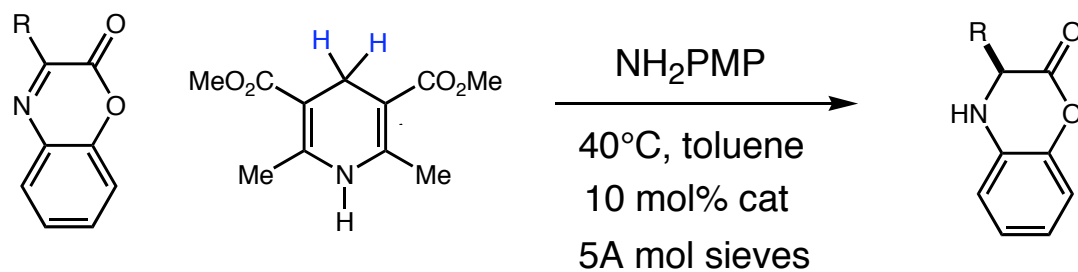
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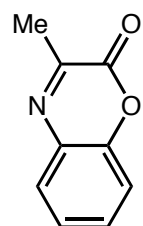
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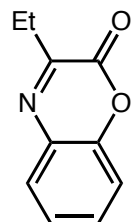
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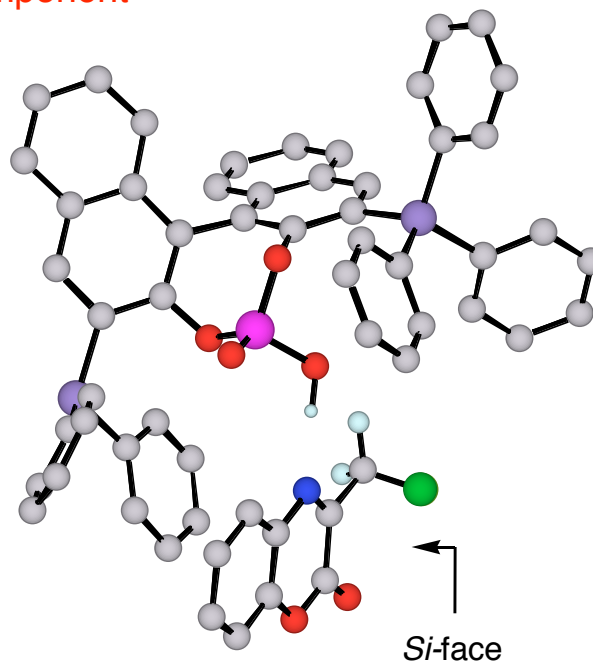
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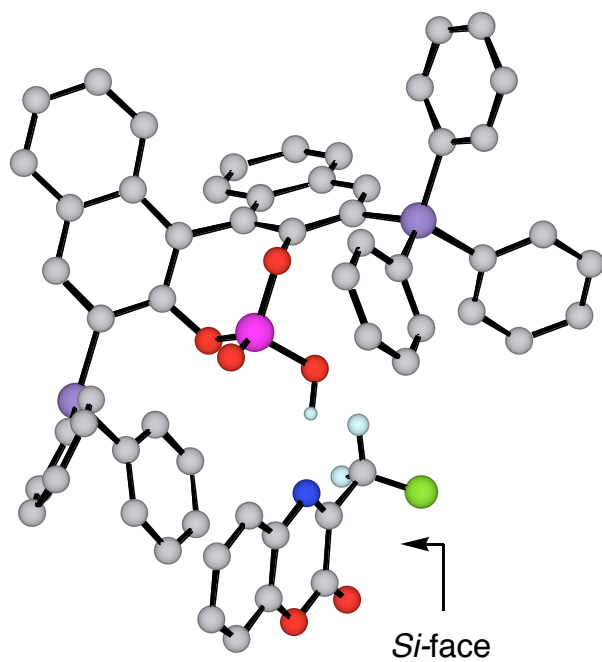


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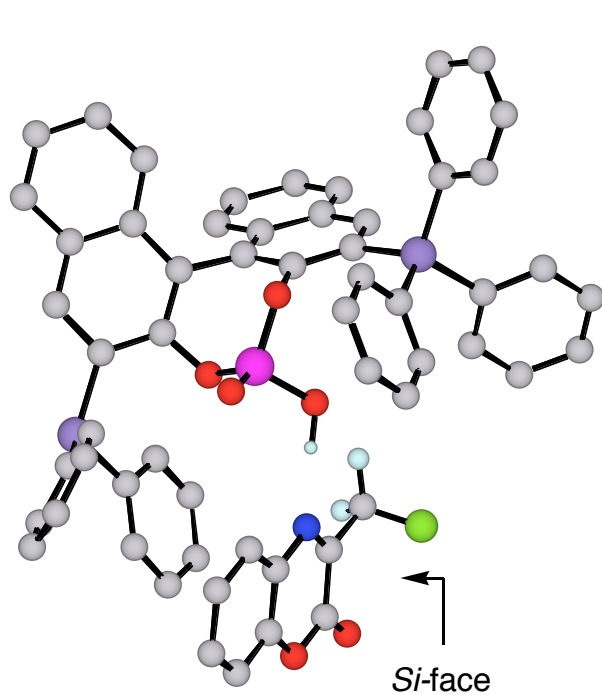
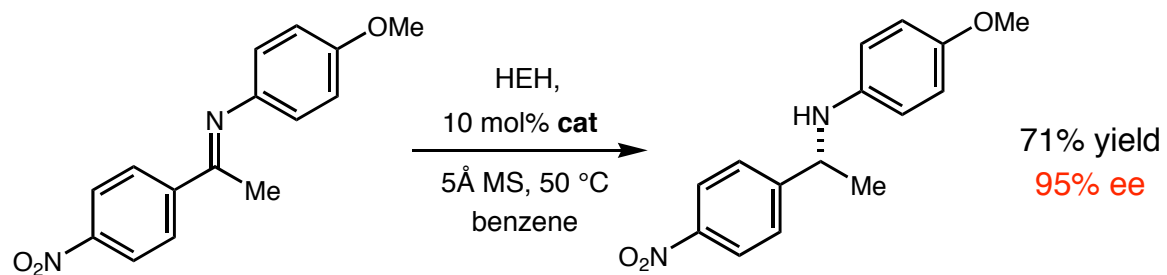
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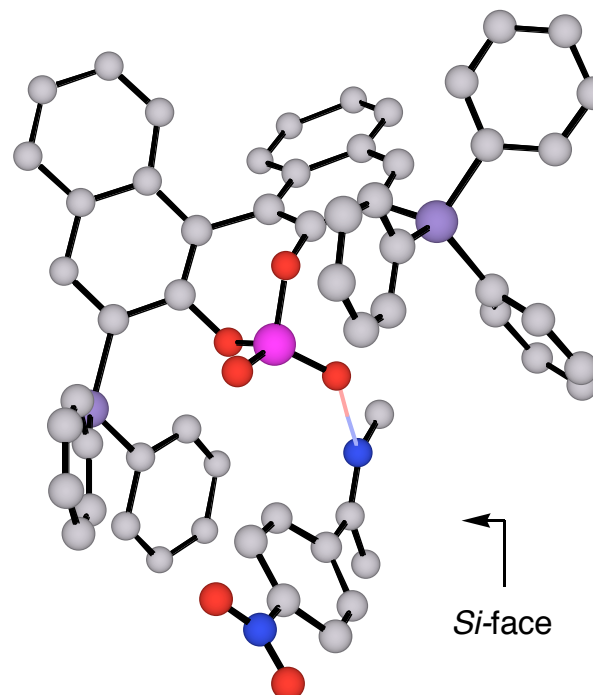


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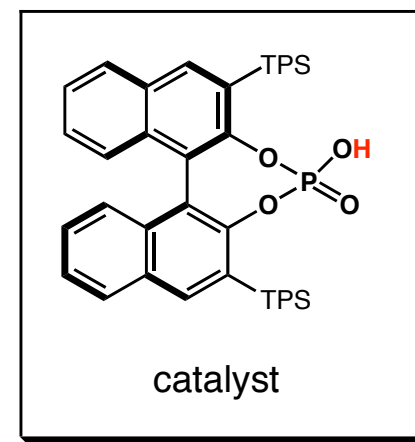
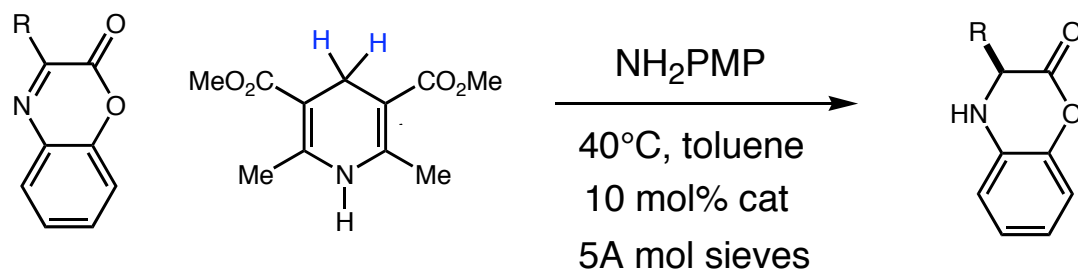


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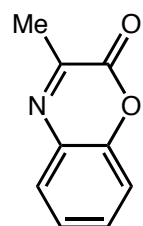


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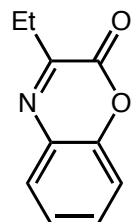
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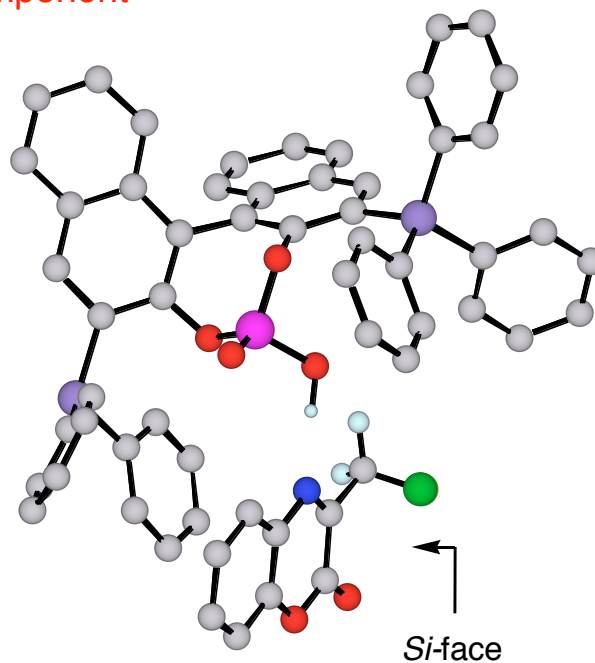
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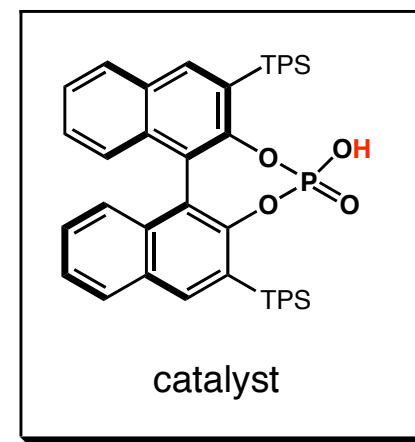
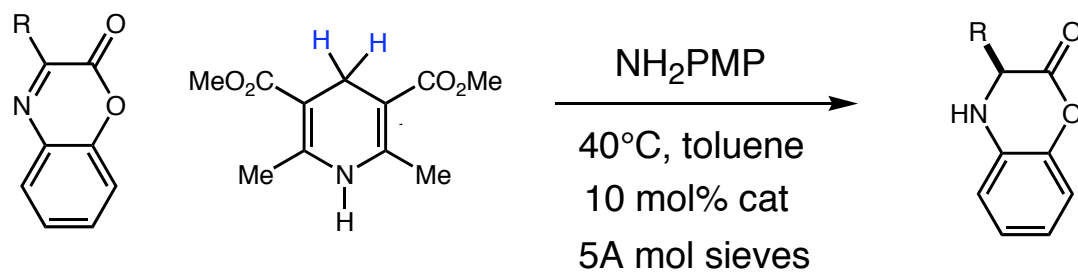


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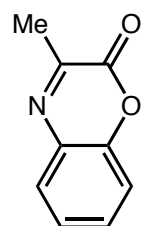


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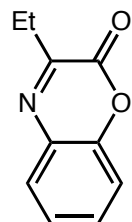
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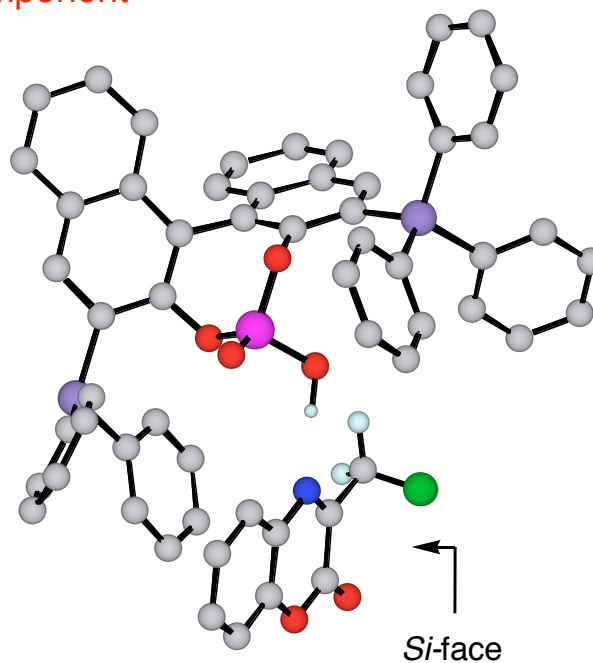
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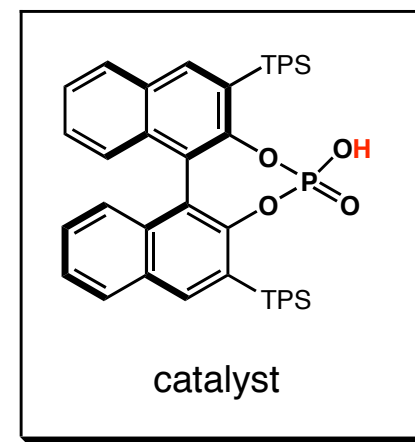
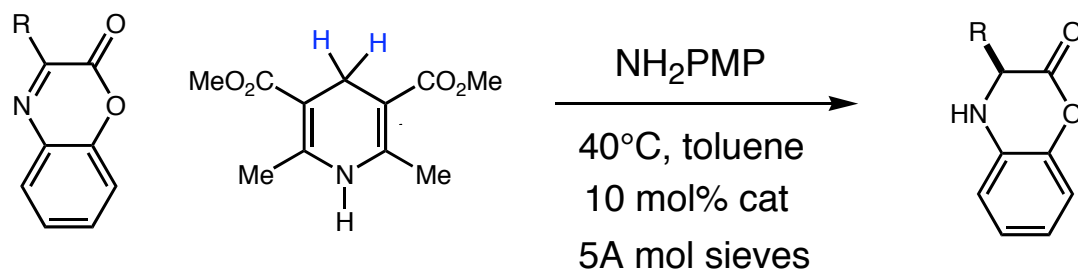


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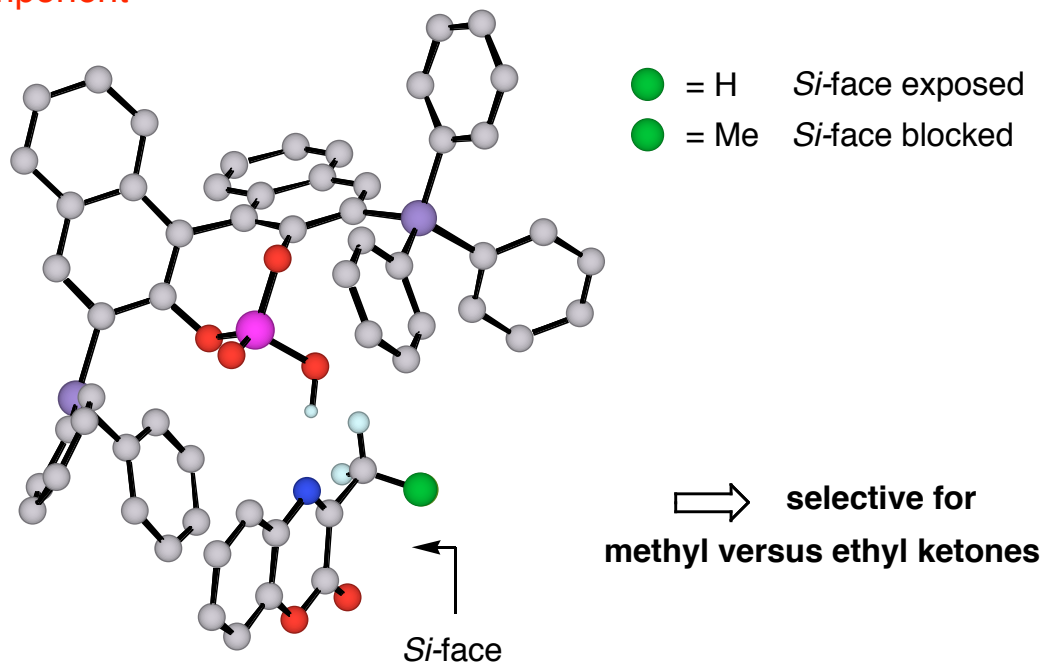
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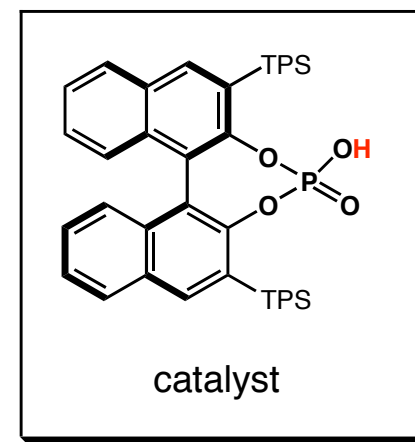
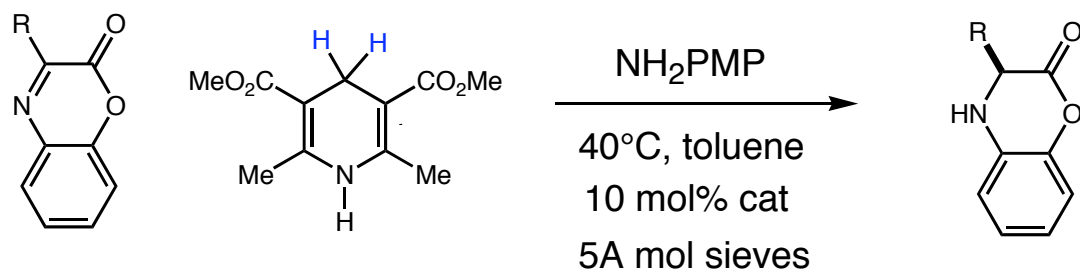


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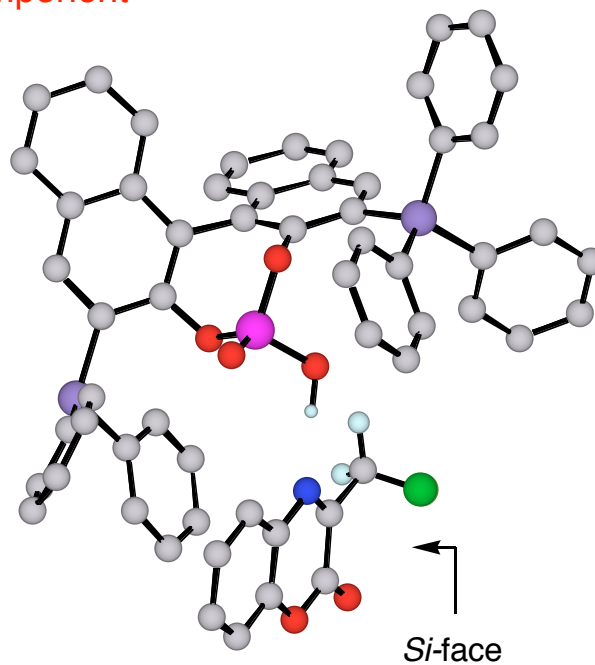
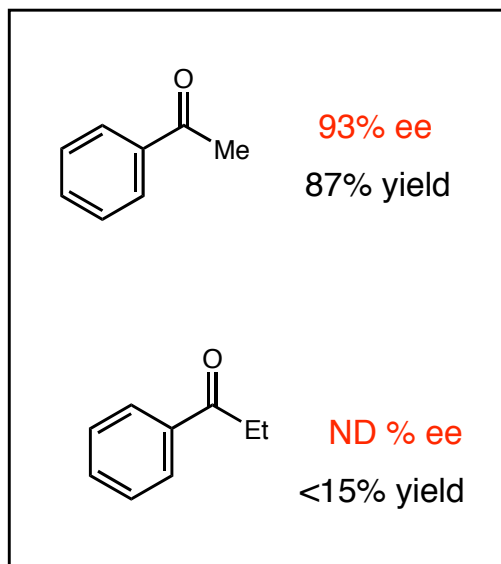


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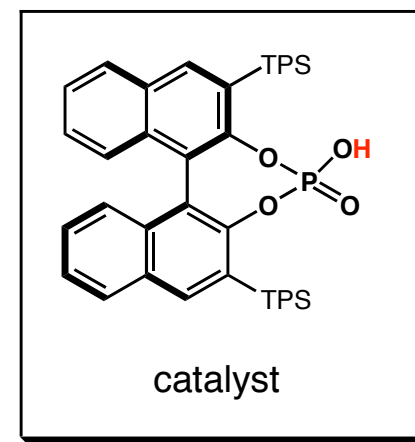
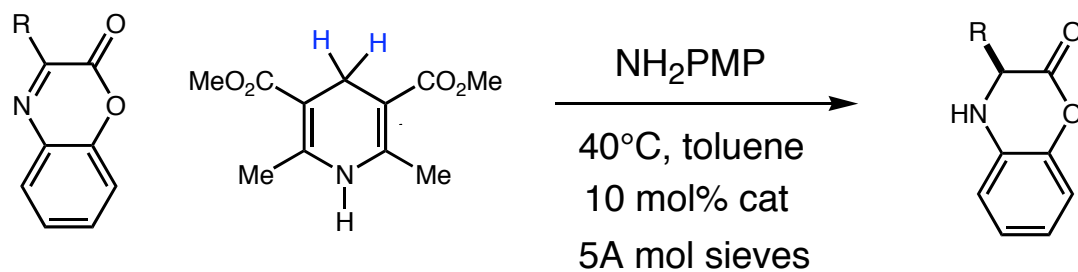
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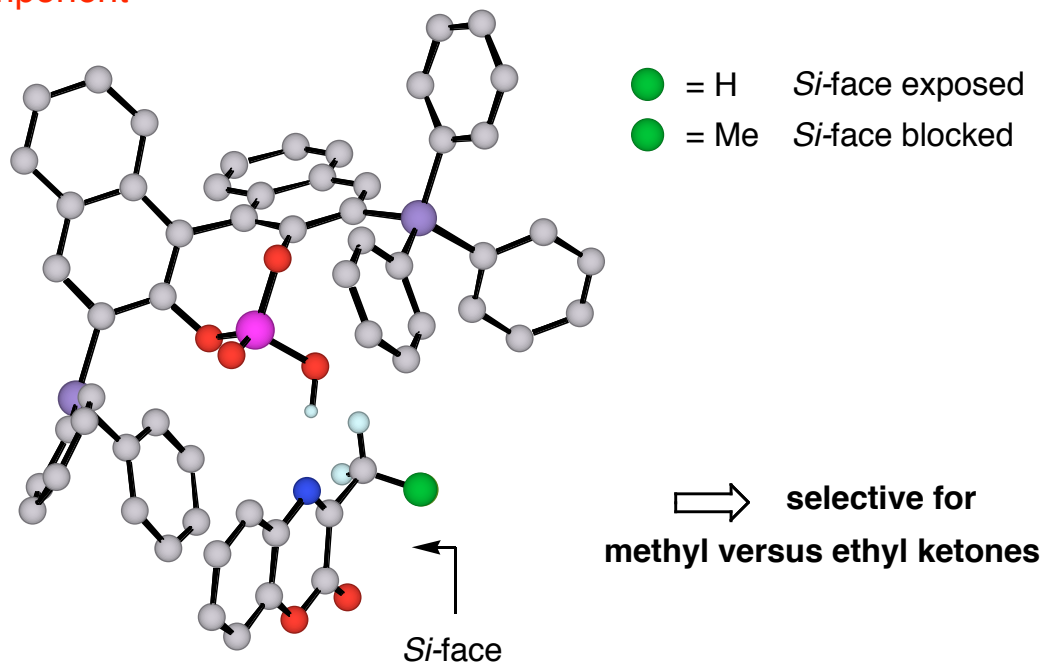
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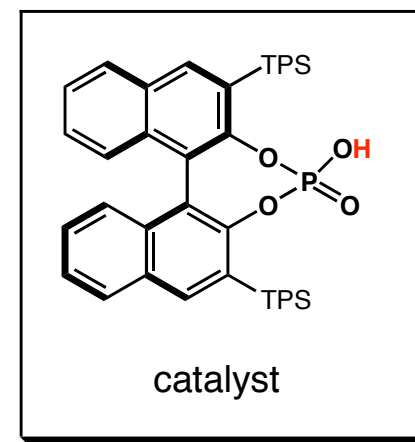
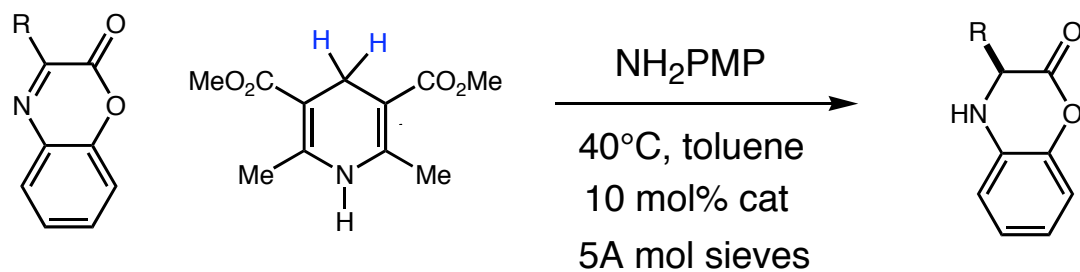


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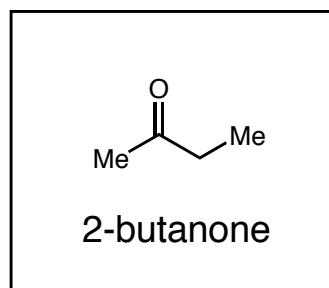


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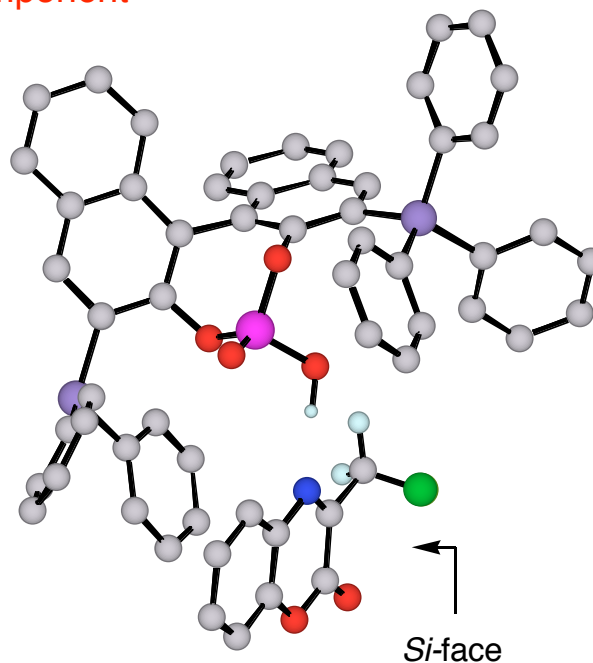
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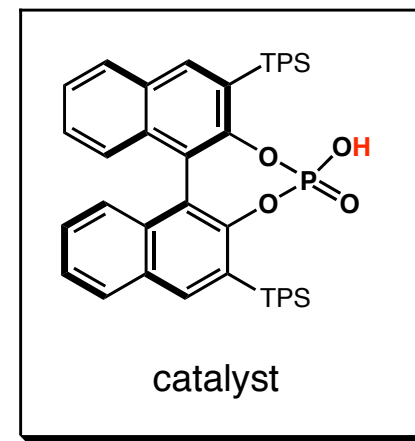
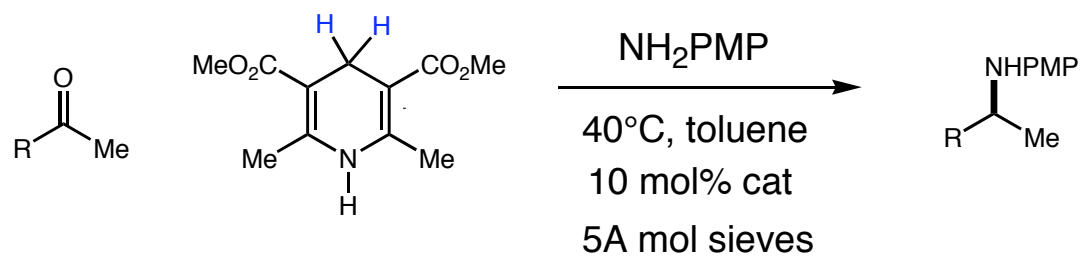


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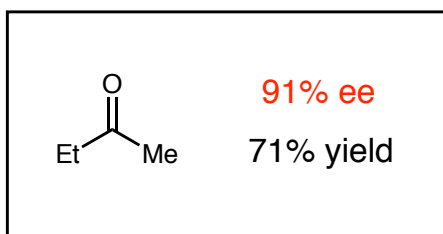
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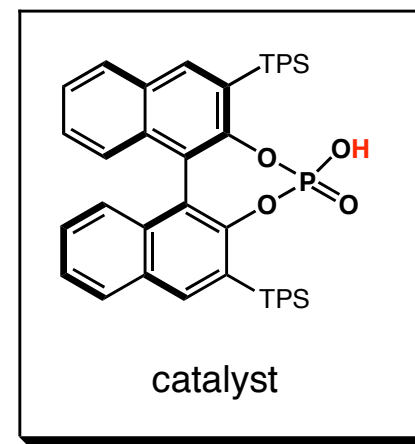
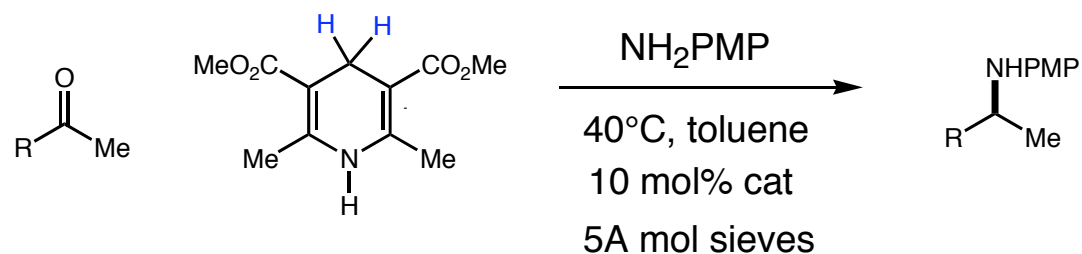
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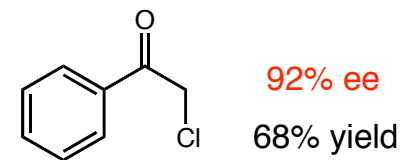
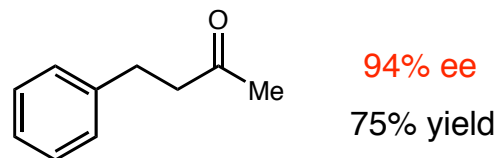
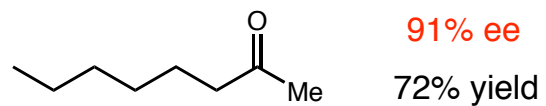
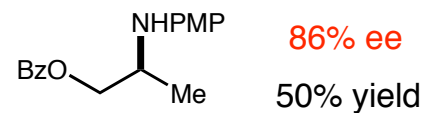
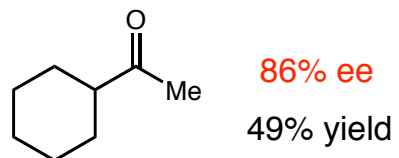
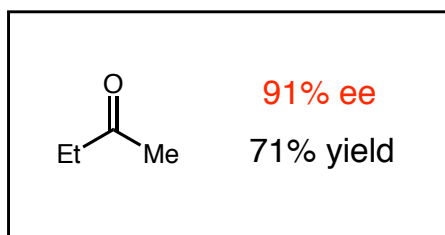
■ Scope of the alkyl ketone component



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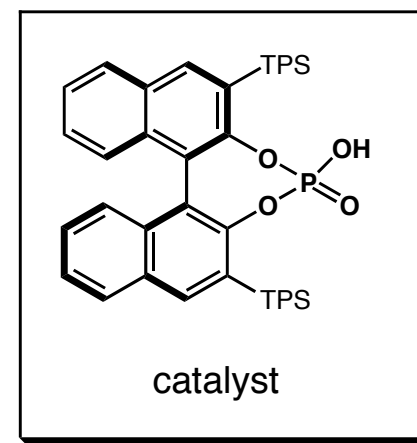
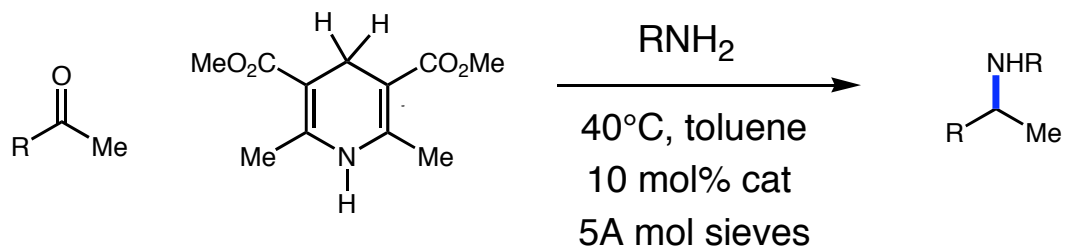


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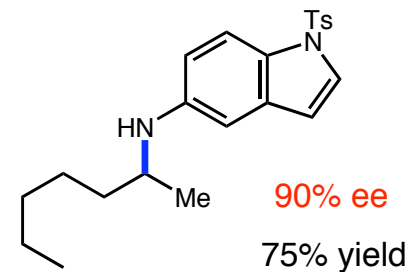
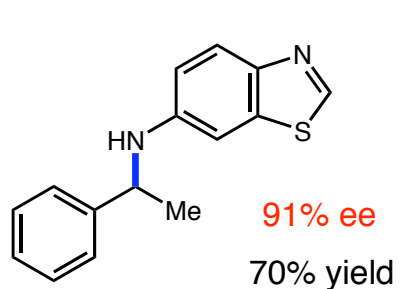
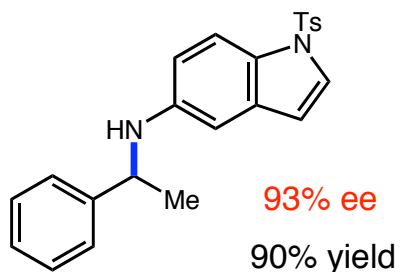
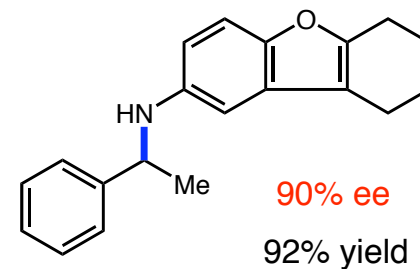
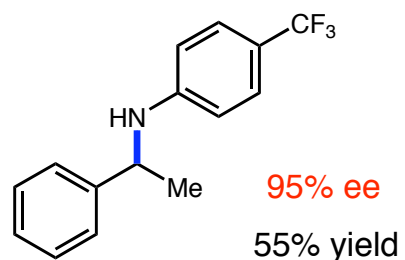
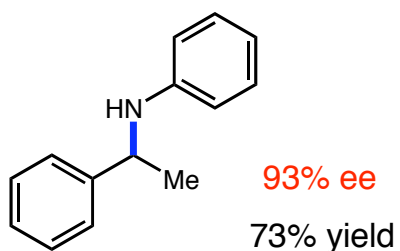


■ This reductive amination process appears to be general for methyl ketones

The scope of the reductive amination: aryl amines



■ Scope of the amine component



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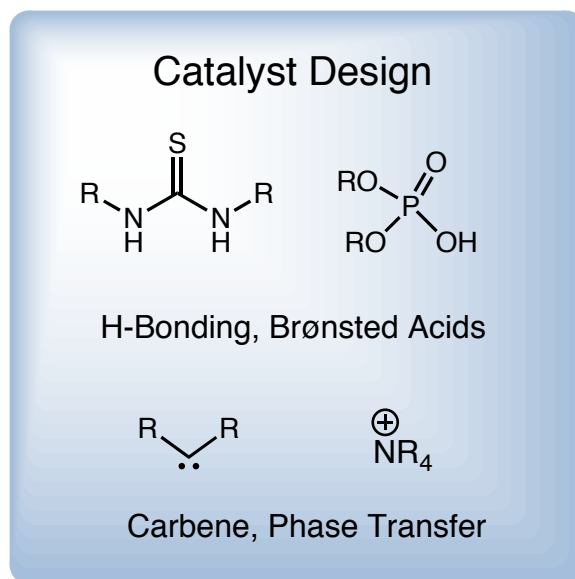
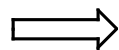
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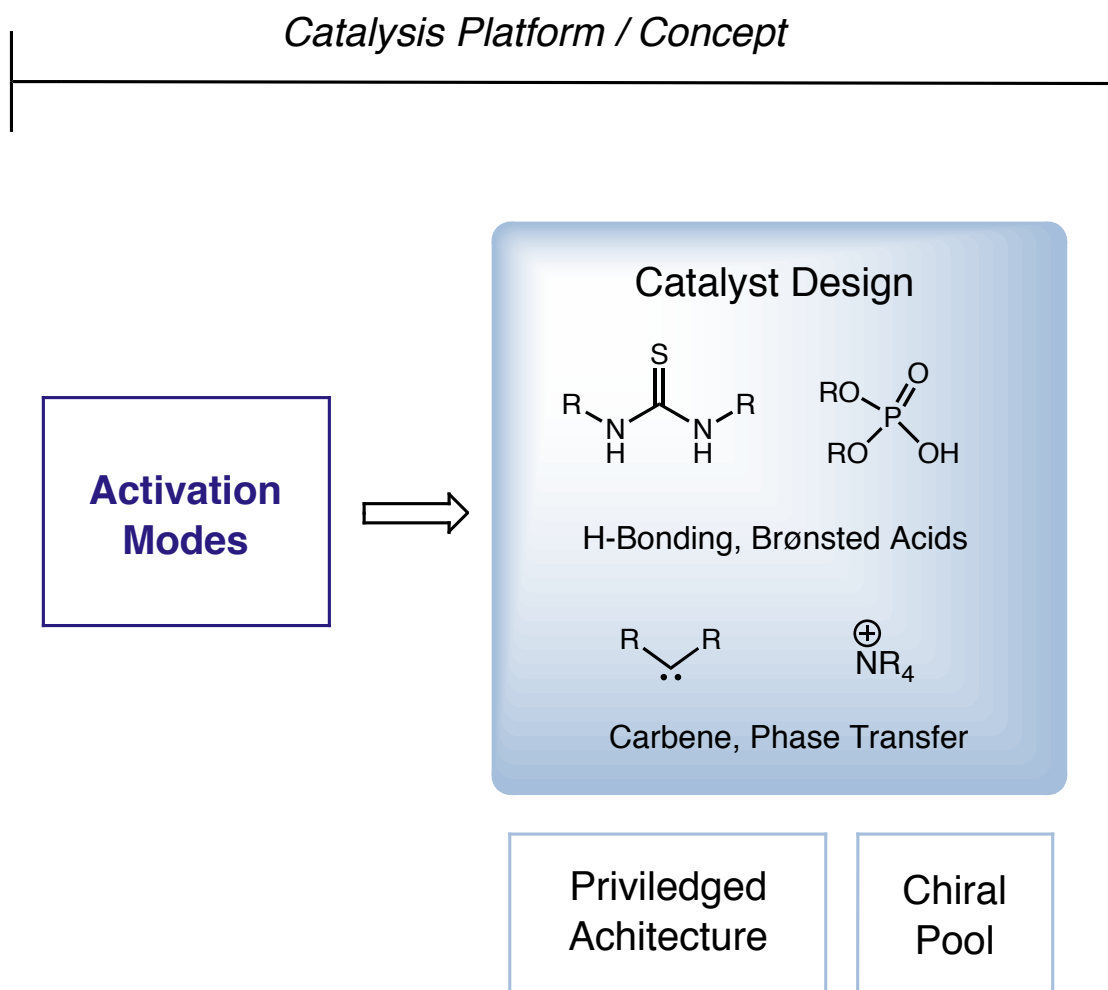
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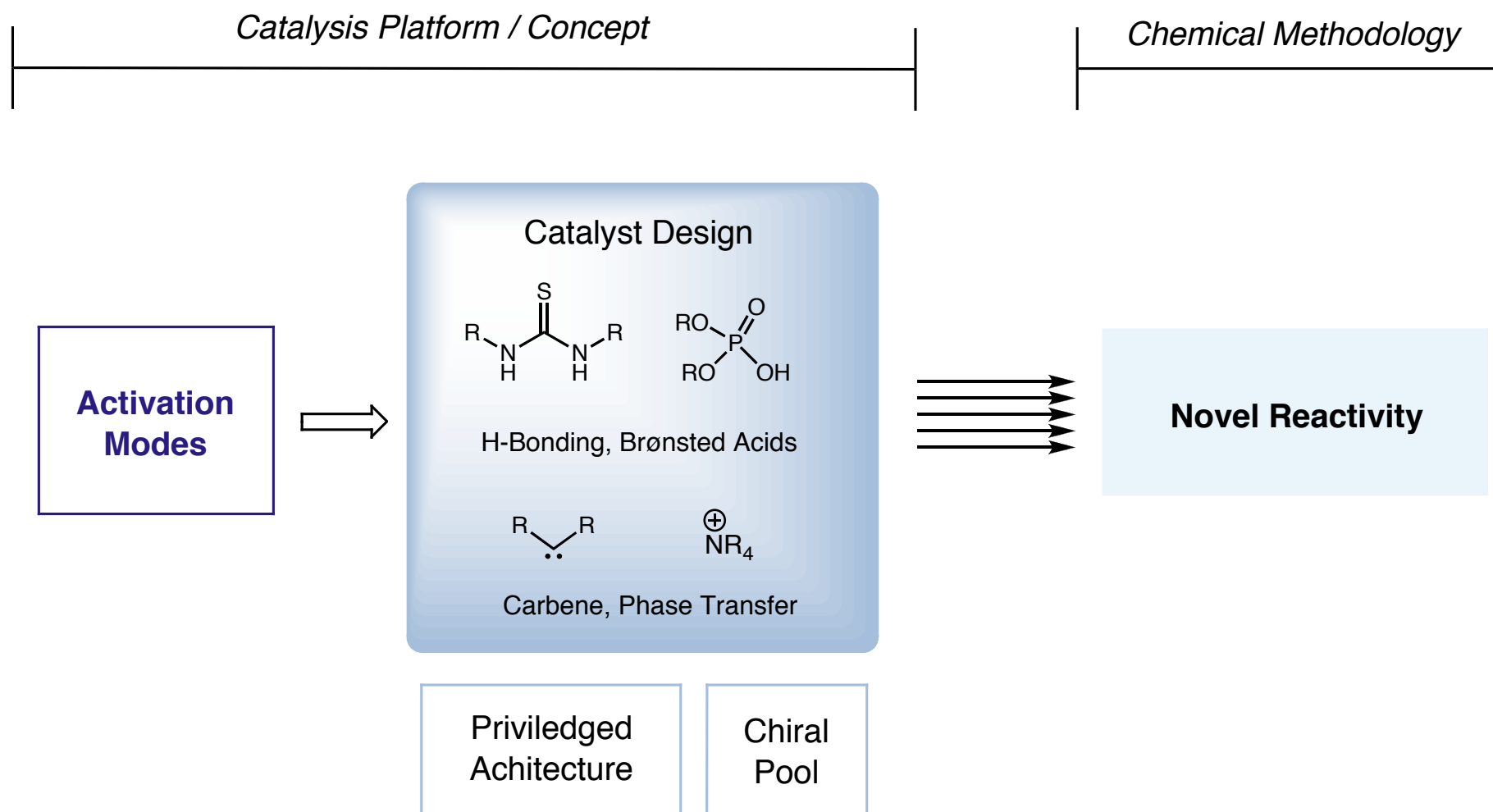
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