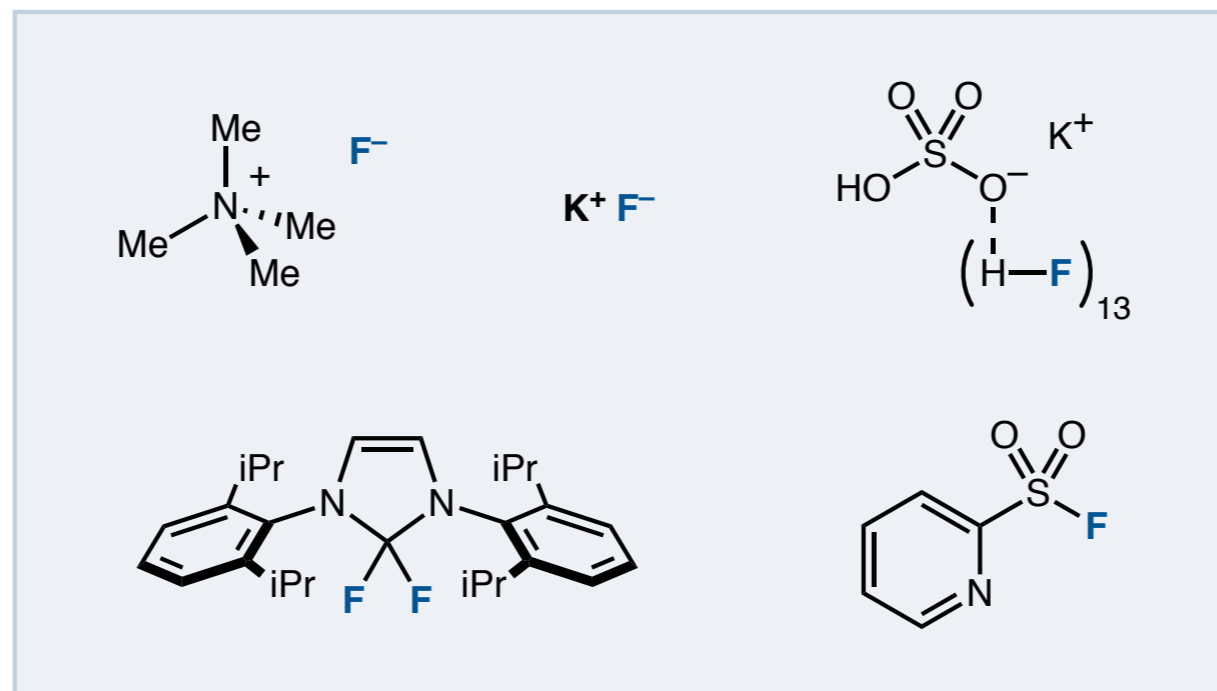


Recent Developments in Nucleophilic Fluorination



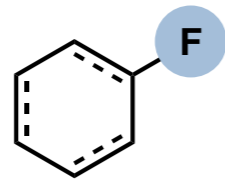
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Importance of Novel Fluorination Technologies

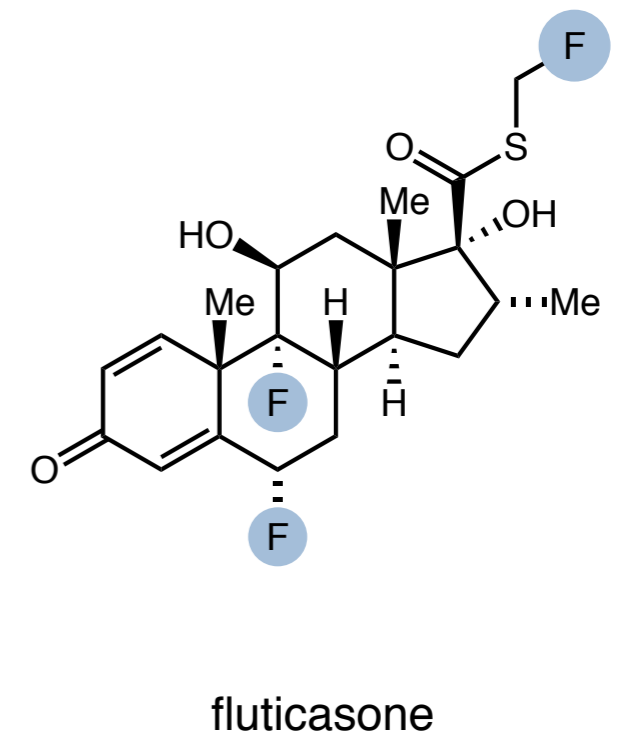
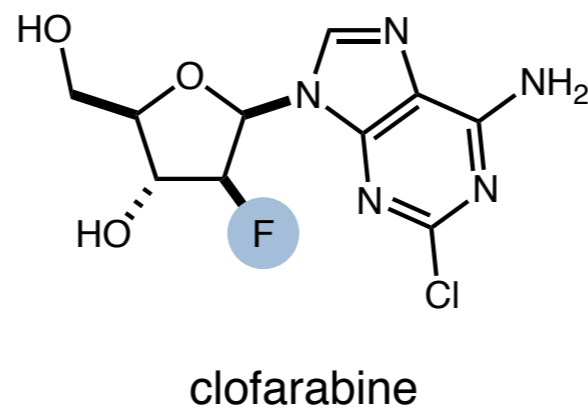
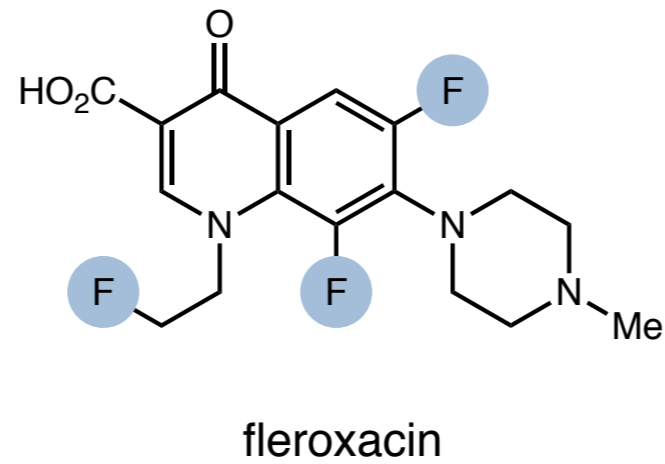
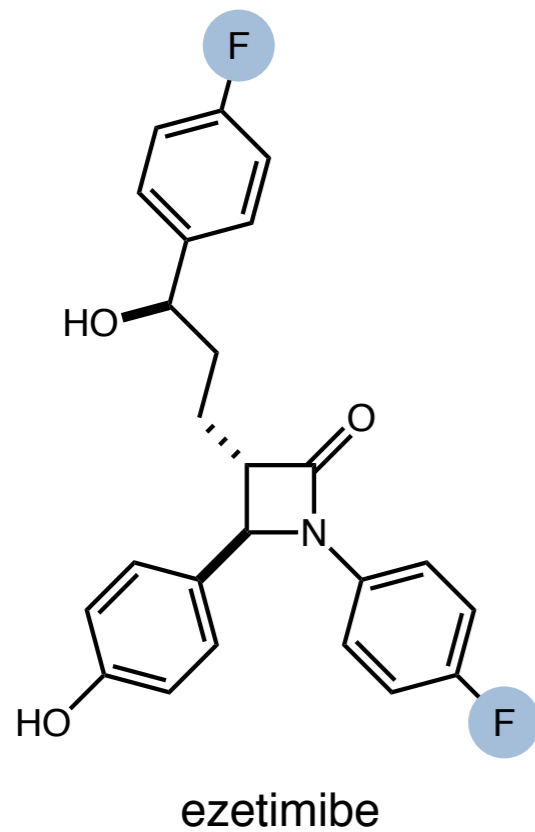


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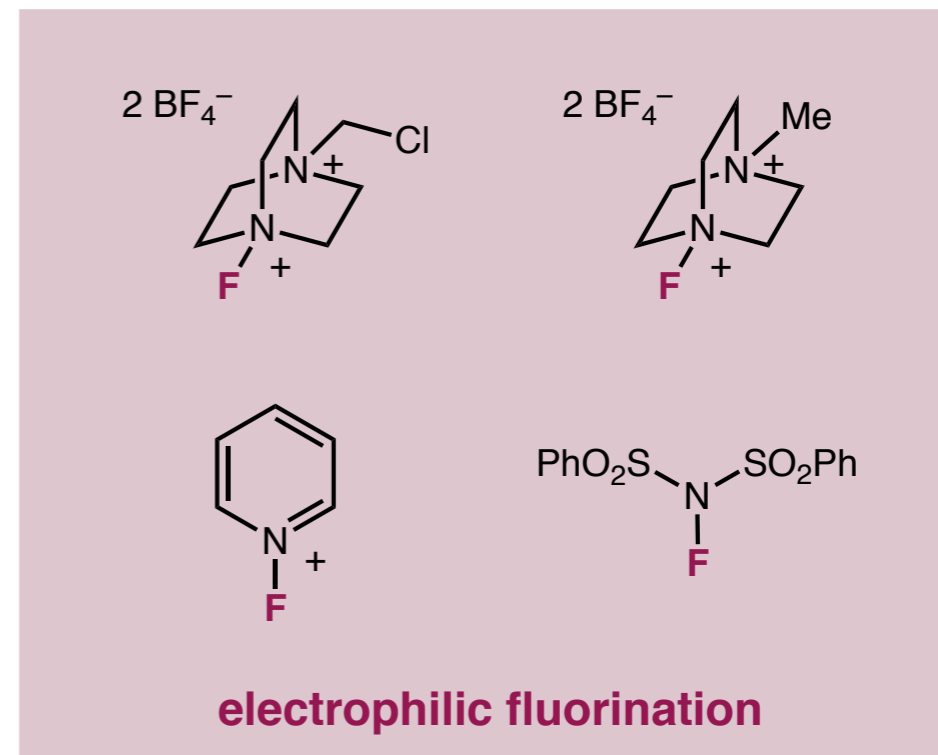
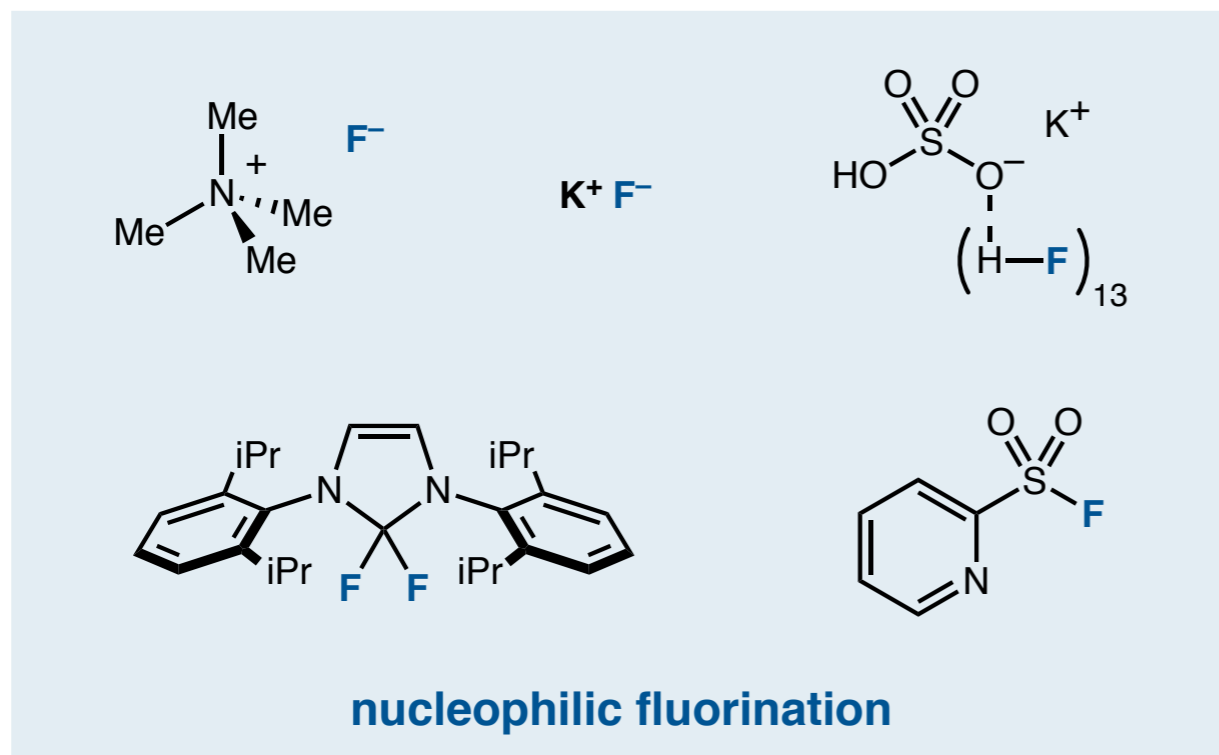
■ Improved membrane permeance

■ Enhanced metabolic stability

■ Present in 20–30% new approved drugs

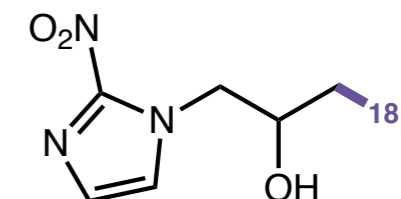
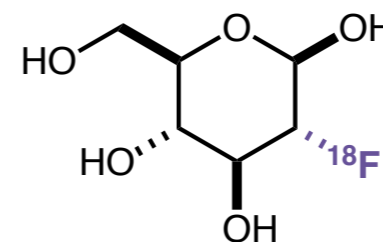
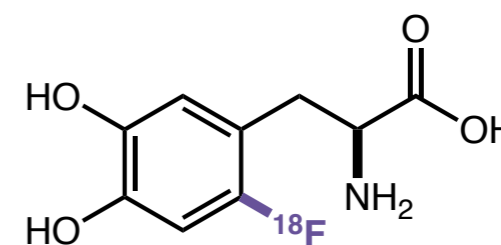


Importance of Developing Nucleophilic Fluorination Strategies



Why would you choose to do nucleophilic fluorination?

- Generally cheaper reagents vs. electrophilic
- Potentially better FG tolerance (F^+ is oxidizing)
- **Significantly more desirable for ^{18}F PET imaging**
($^{18}F^+$ reagents are inconveniently made from $^{18}F_2$)



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Recent Developments in Nucleophilic Fluorination

Construction of Alkyl C–F Bonds

Nucleophilic substitution promoted by hydrogen bonding

Deoxyfluorination of aliphatic alcohols

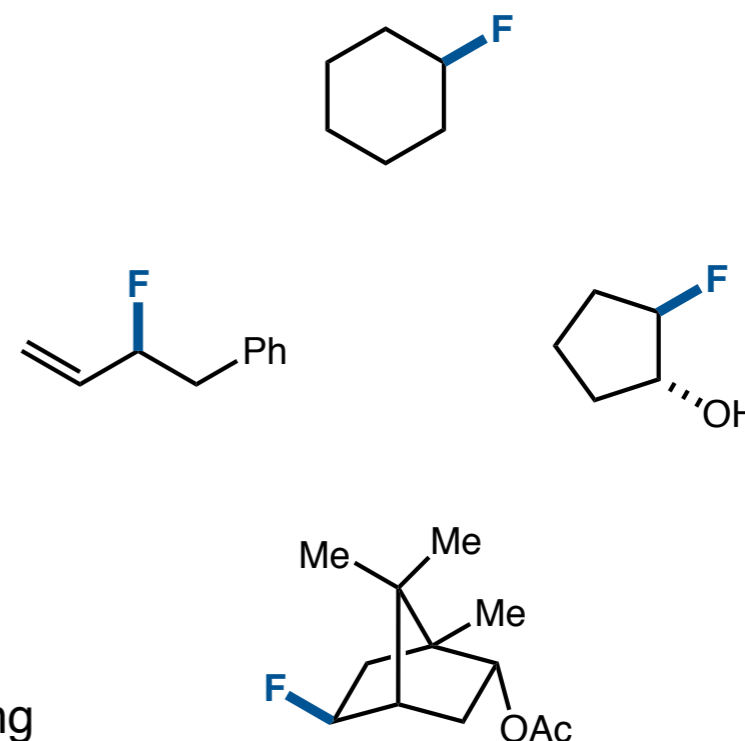
Transition metal-catalyzed allylic fluorination

Direct hydrofluorination of alkenes

Metal-mediated aminofluorination of alkenes

Asymmetric hydrofluorination of epoxides

Manganese-catalyzed C–H fluorination – see YYL group meeting

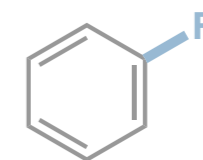


Construction of Aromatic C–F Bonds

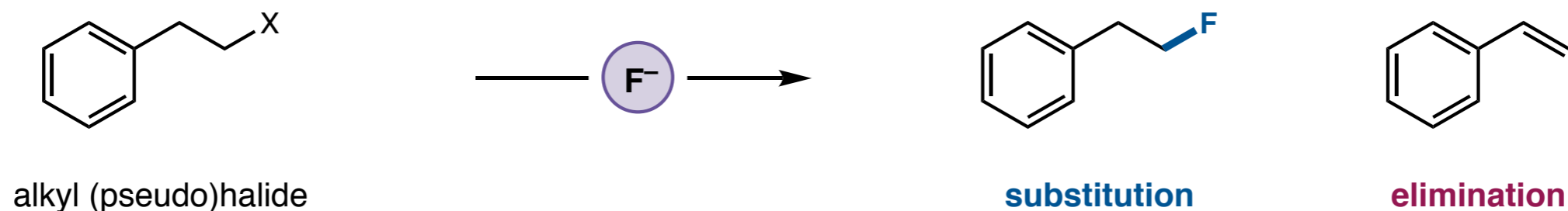
Metal-mediated fluorination of arenes – see JRT group meeting

Nucleophilic aromatic substitution of (pseudo)halides


Ritter's S_NAr deoxyfluorination of phenols



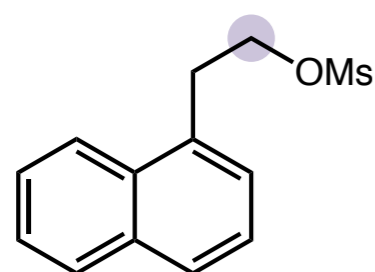
Aliphatic Nucleophilic Substitution Reactions with Fluoride



Why is an S_N2 reaction using a fluoride source not as straightforward as it looks?

	<i>water / protic solvents</i> hydrogen bonding	<i>polar aprotic solvents</i> no hydrogen bonding
<i>solubility</i>	good	counterion dependent
<i>nucleophilicity</i>	poor (no S_N2)	good
<i>basicity</i>	weak	strong (competitive E2)

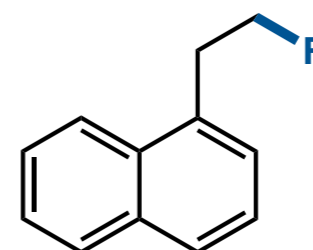
Unexpected S_N2 Reactions with Fluoride in Alcohol Solvents



alkyl mesylate



solvent, 80 °C, 1 h



in MeCN:

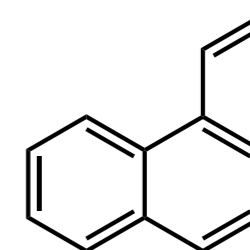
33%

in *t*BuOH:

87%

TBAF·4(*t*BuOH), in MeCN:

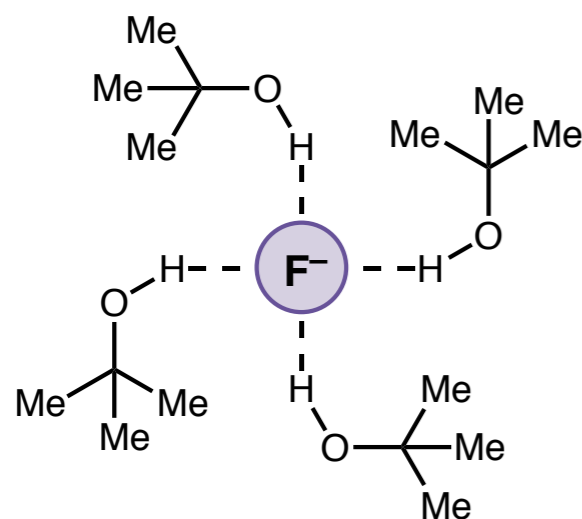
71%



61%

9%

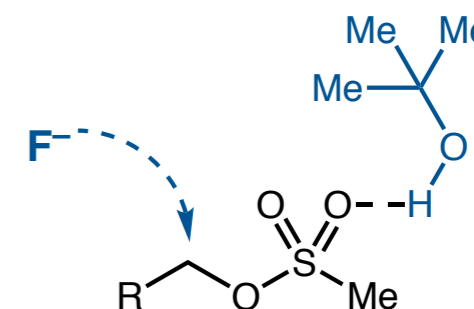
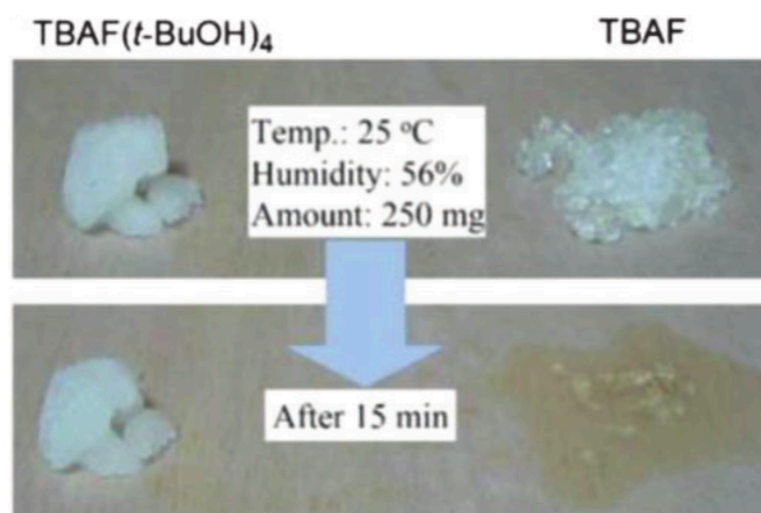
29%



“controllable fluoride”

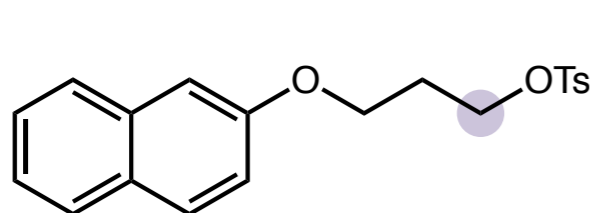
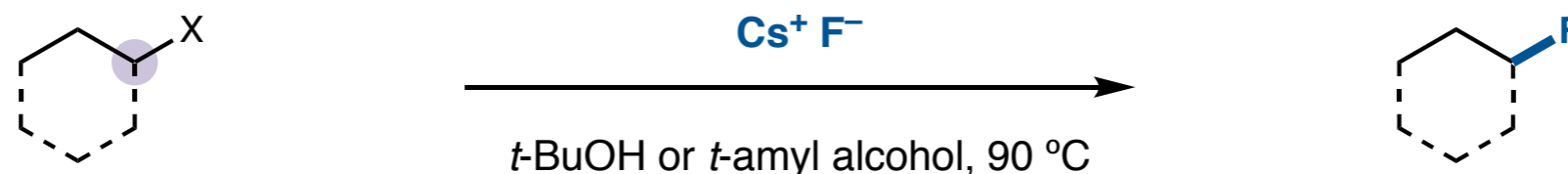
diminished basicity

decent nucleophilicity

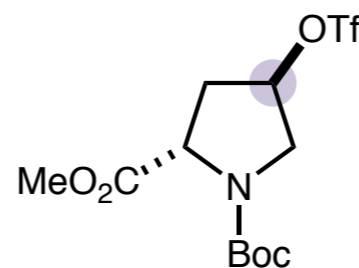


enhanced leaving group ability

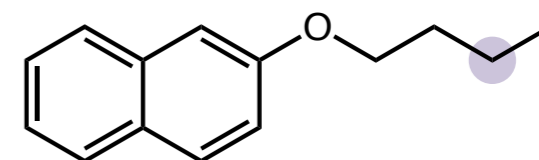
Scope of Hydrogen Bond-Promoted Nucleophilic Fluorination



93% yield
(2 h)

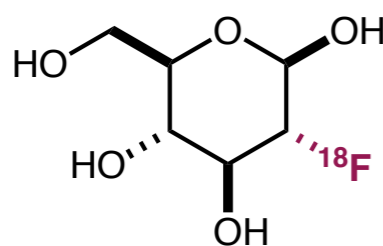


69% yield
(1.5 h, $25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$)

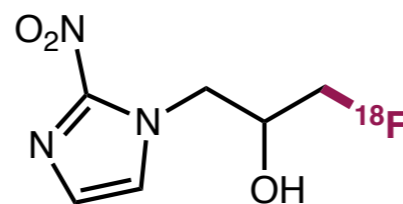


90% yield
(24 h)

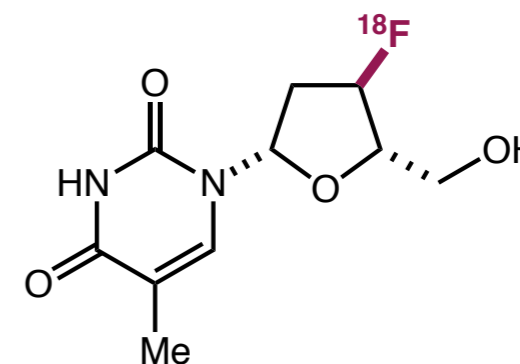
Applications in radio-labelling



85% RCY

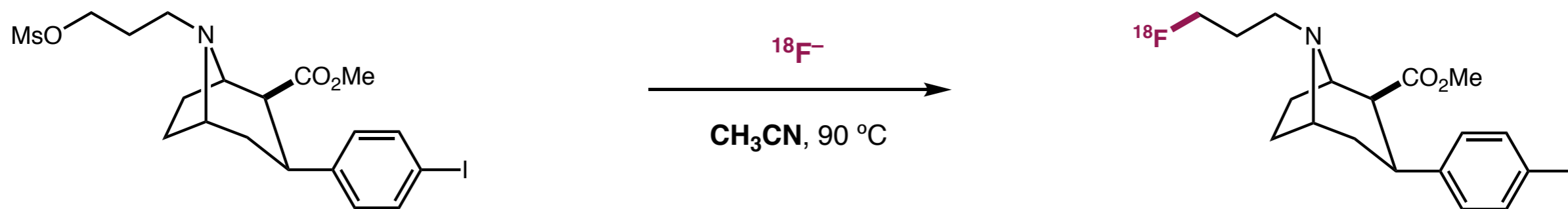


70% RCY



66% RCY

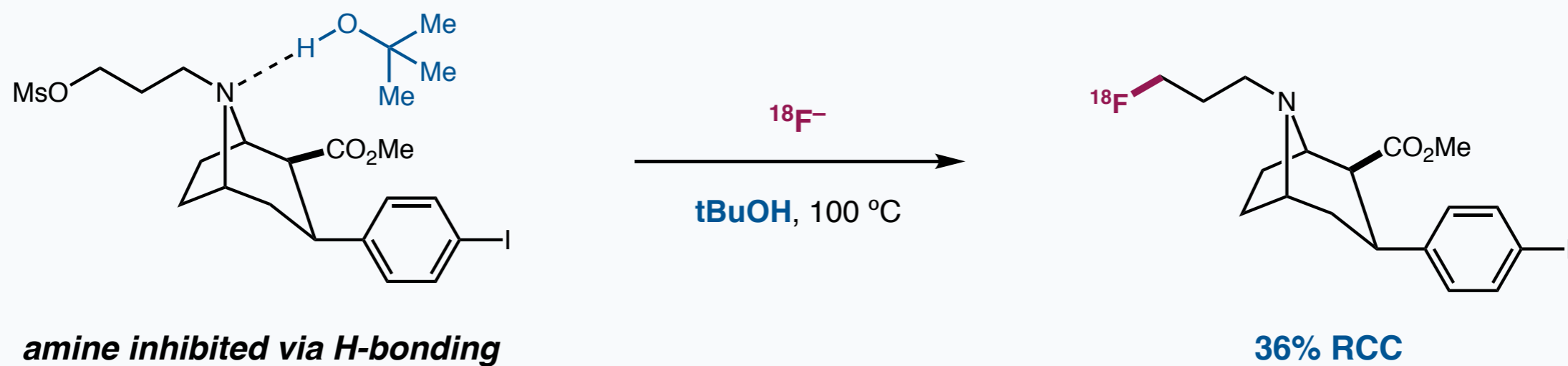
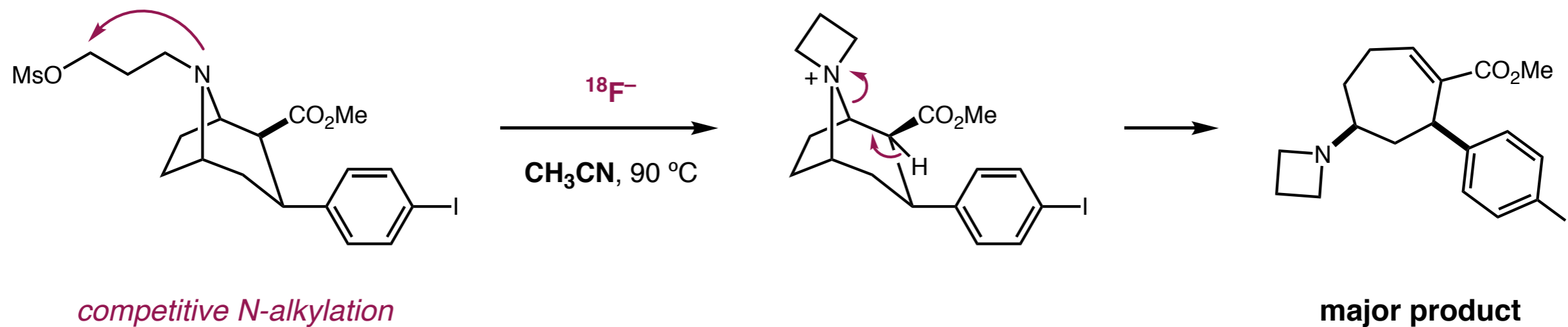
Application of Hydrogen Bond-Promoted Nucleophilic Fluorination



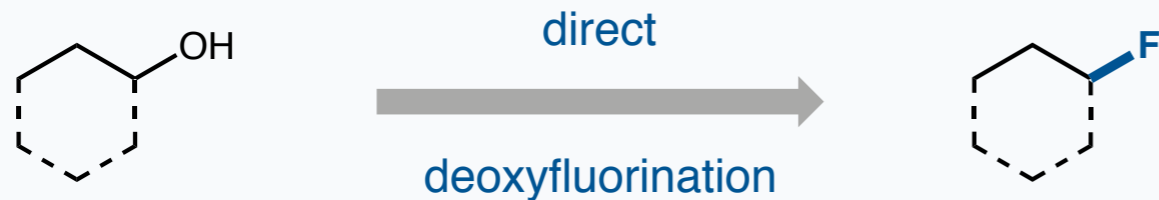
Desired fluorinated product obtained in **1% yield**

*PET imaging of
dopamine transporters*

Application of Hydrogen Bond-Promoted Nucleophilic Fluorination



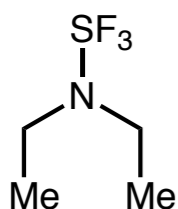
General Deoxyfluorination of Aliphatic Alcohols



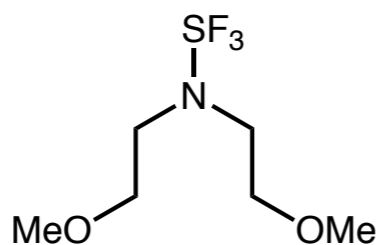
■ **Ubiquitous functional group**

■ **Circumvent prefunctionalization**

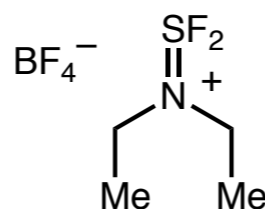
Deoxyfluorination reagents



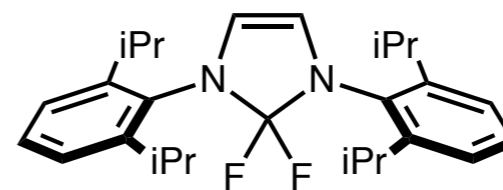
DAST
(1975)



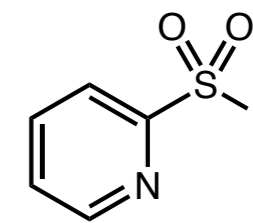
Deoxo-Fluor
(1999)



XtalFluor-E
(2009)

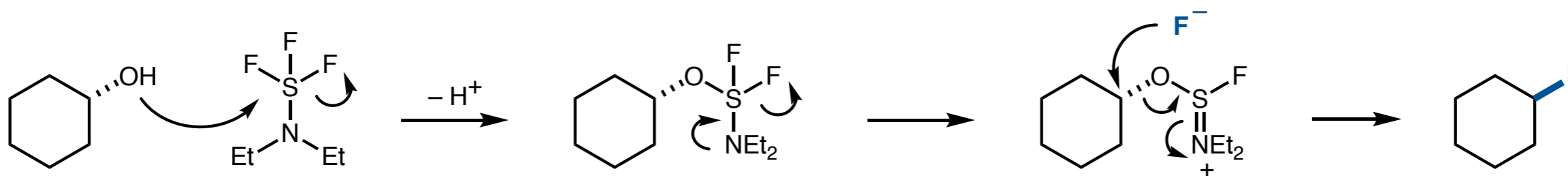


PhenoFluor
(2011)



PyFluor
(2015)

Example of mechanism



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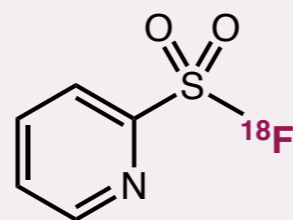
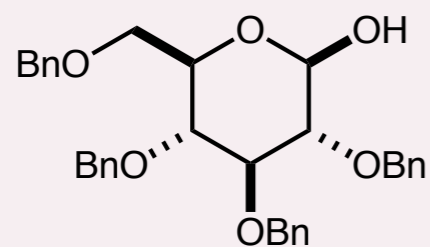
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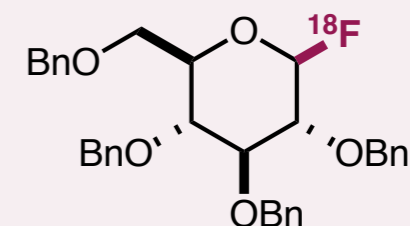
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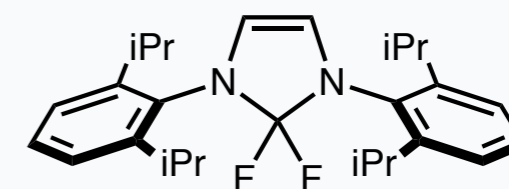
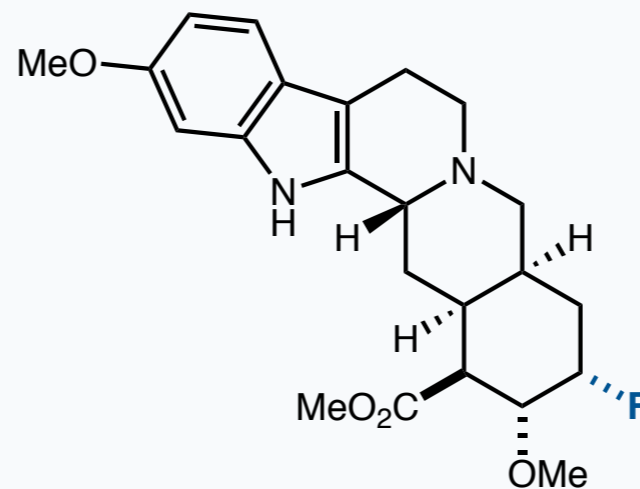
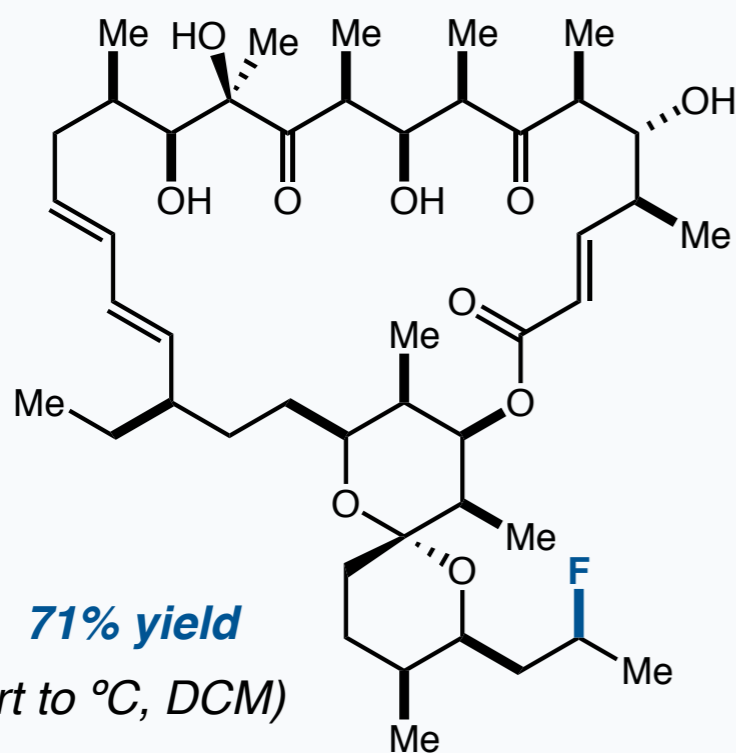
Selected Examples of Alcohol Deoxyfluorination



MTBD, MeCN
80 °C, 20 min



15% RCC



2.0 equiv. DIPEA

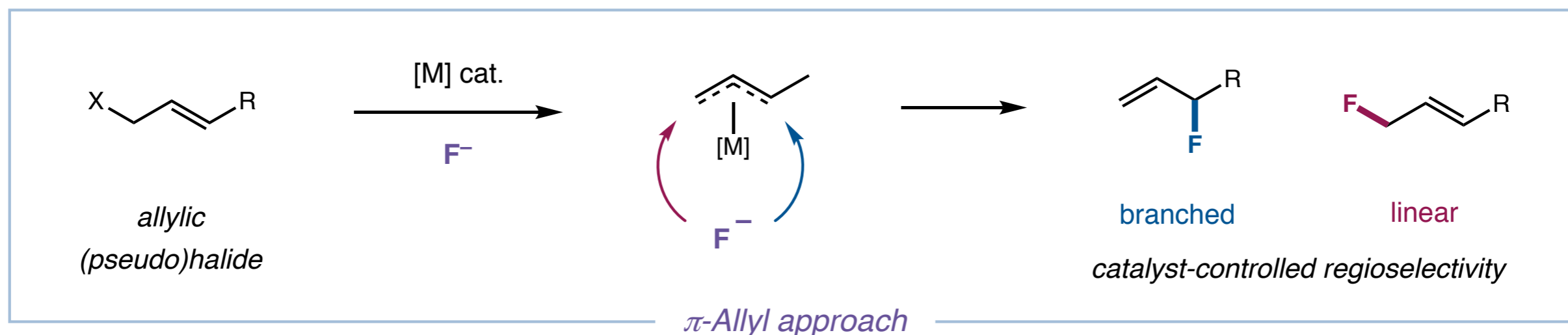
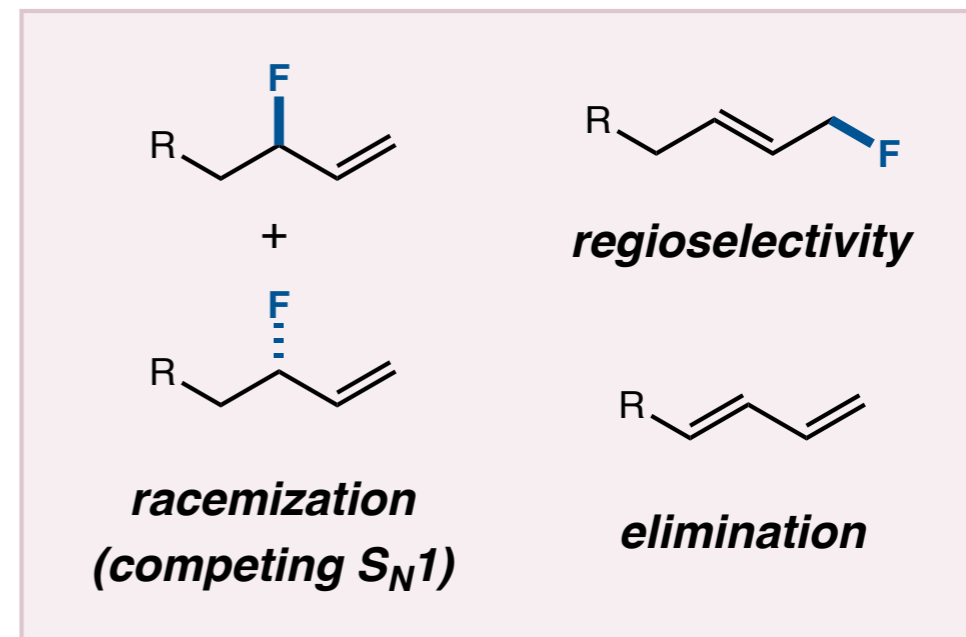
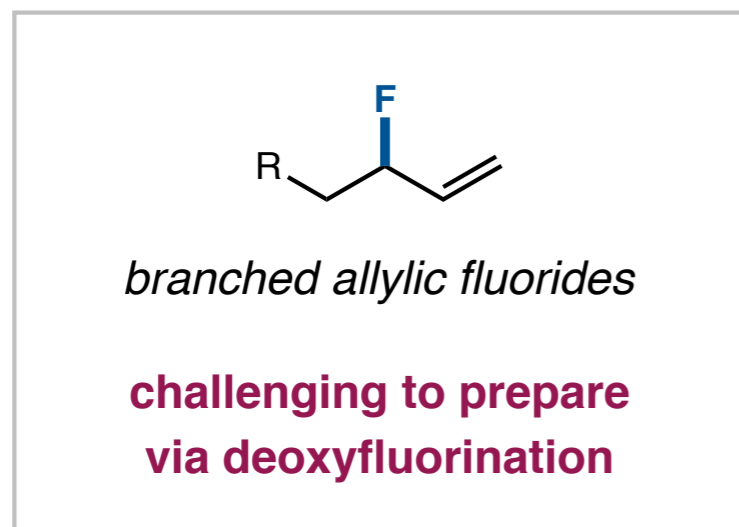
2.0 equiv. KF

2–20 h

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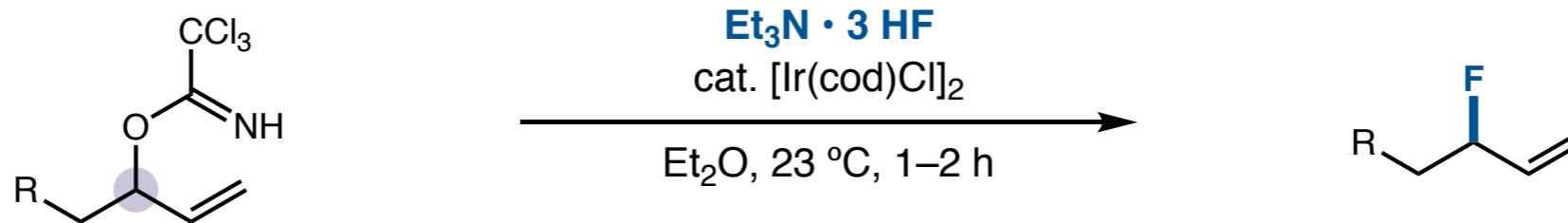
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Metal-Catalyzed Nucleophilic sp^3 Fluorination via π -Allyl Chemistry

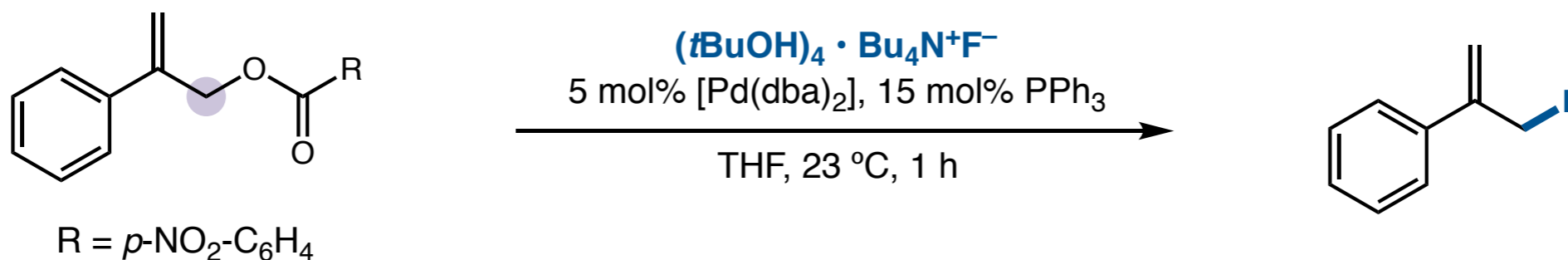


- Application of established π -allyl chemistry towards nucleophilic fluorination
- Potential control over regioselectivity by modulating nature of catalytic species
- Opportunities for asymmetric construction of fluorinated products

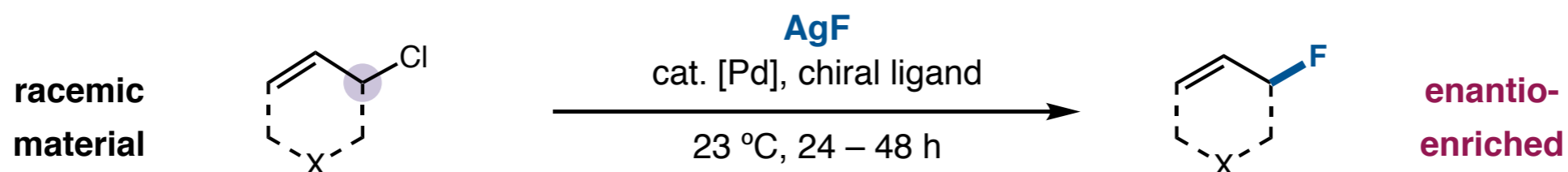
π -Allyl Methodologies for Nucleophilic sp^3 Fluorination



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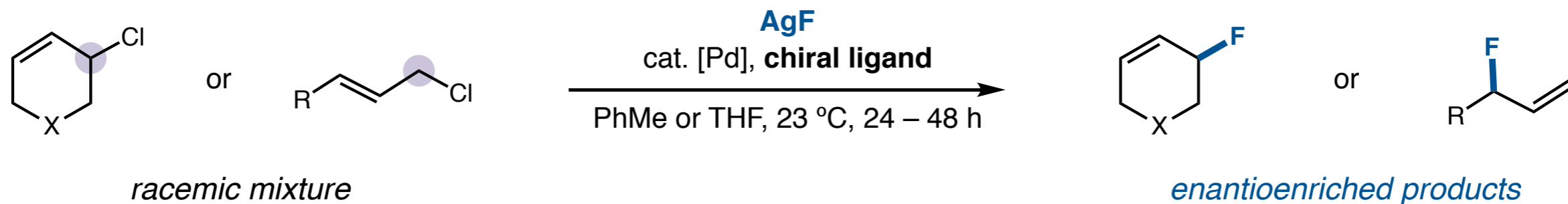


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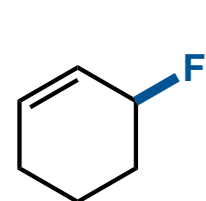
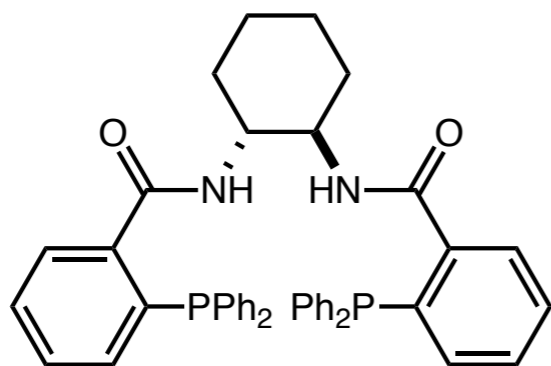


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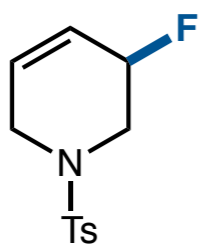
Doyle's Palladium-Catalyzed Asymmetric Allylic Fluorination



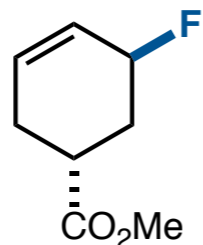
chiral ligand



85% yield
88% ee

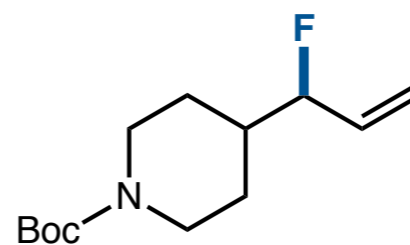
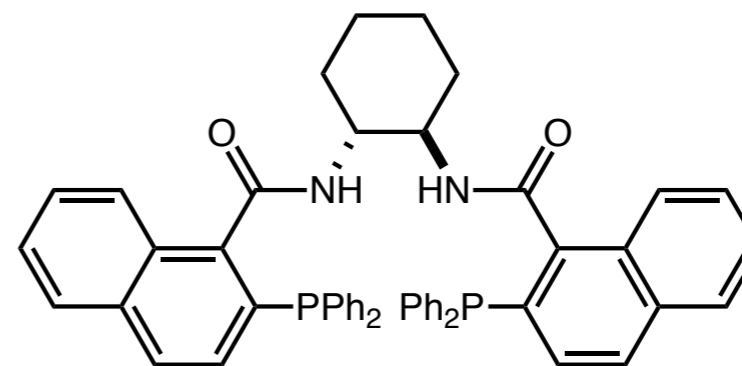


74% yield
96% ee

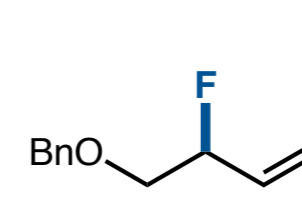


68% yield
14:1 dr, 90% ee

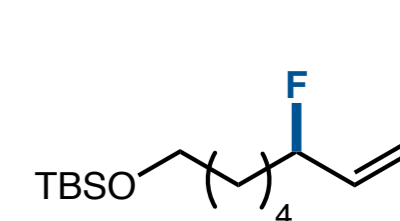
chiral ligand



85% yield
10:1 b:l, 93% ee

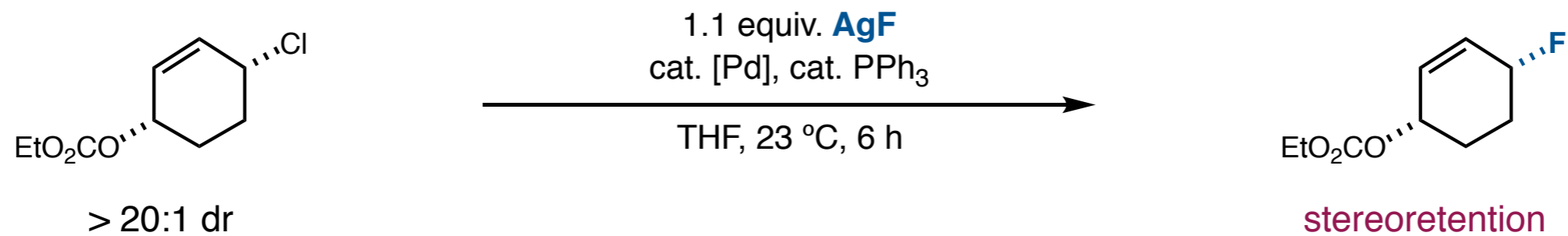


50% yield
16:1 b:l, 90% ee

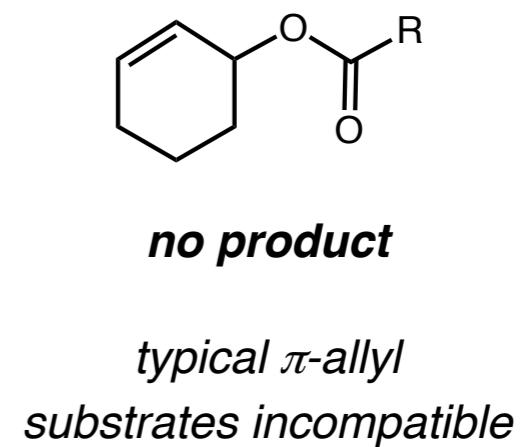
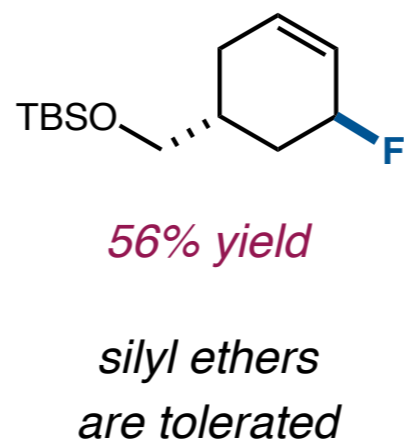
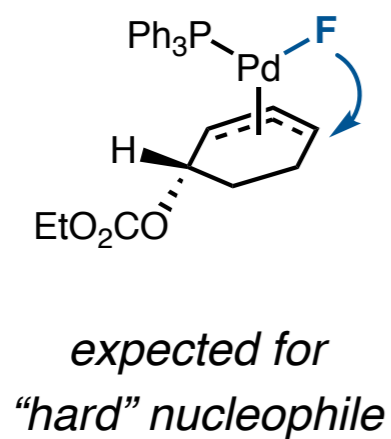
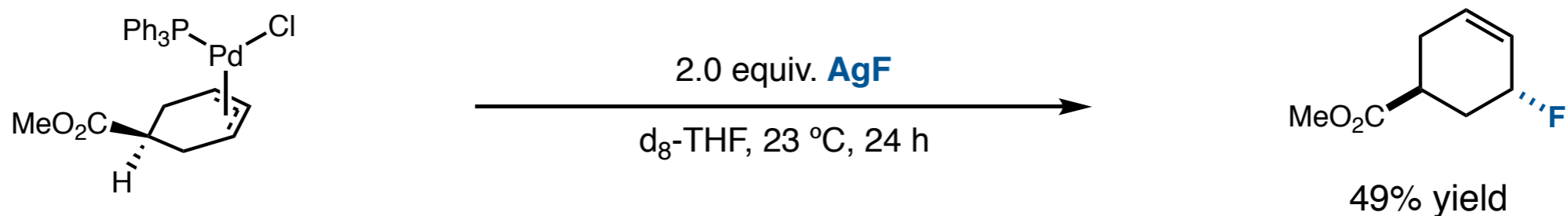
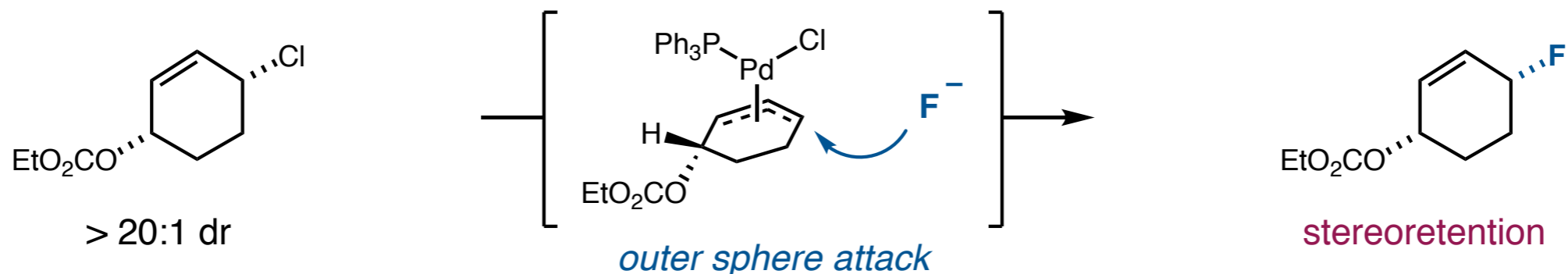


84% yield
>20:1 b:l, 58% ee

Doyle's Palladium-Catalyzed Asymmetric Allylic Fluorination

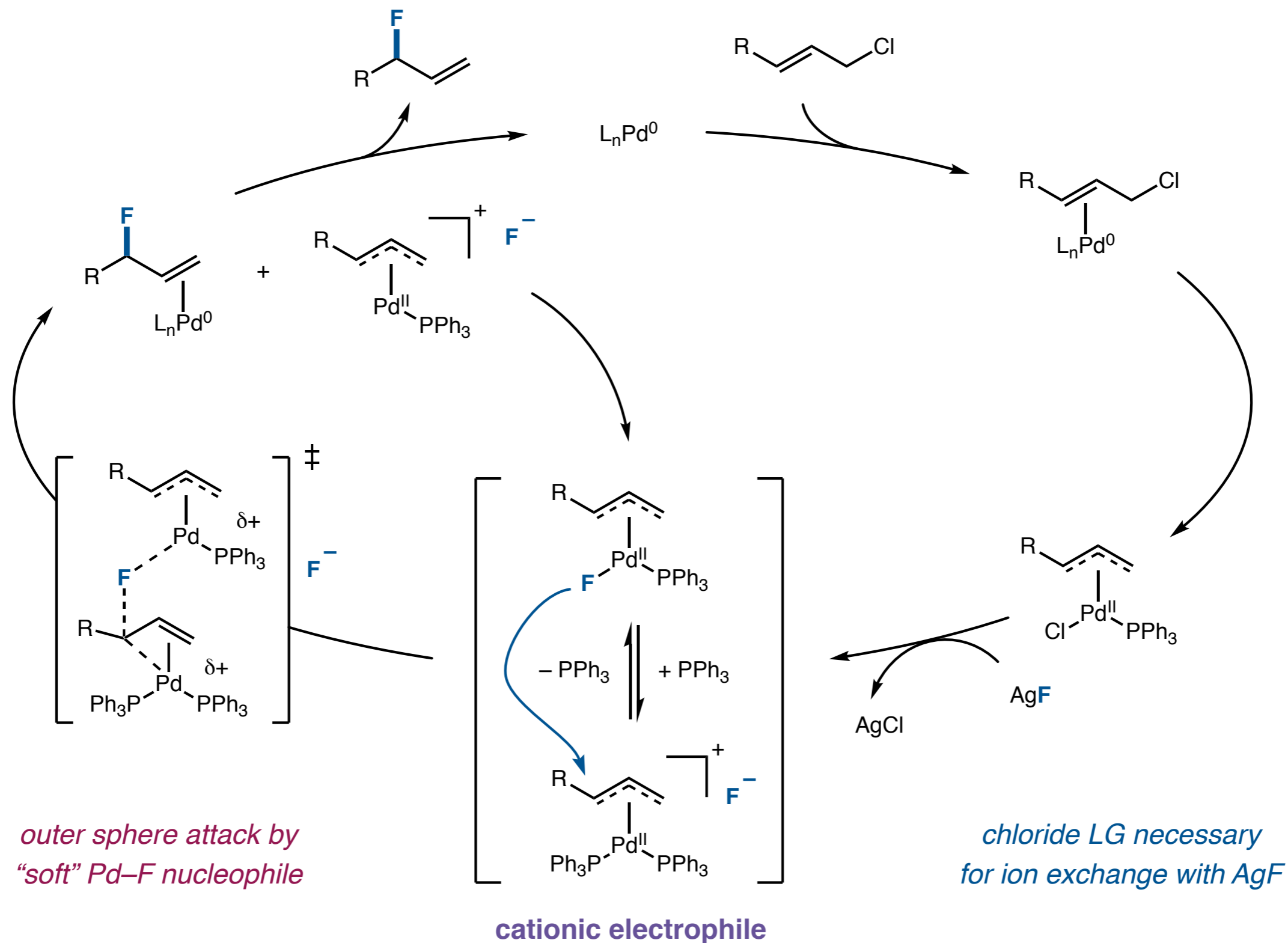


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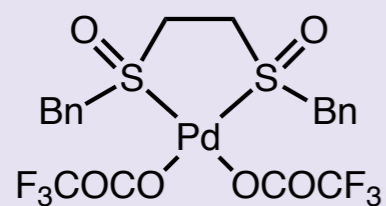
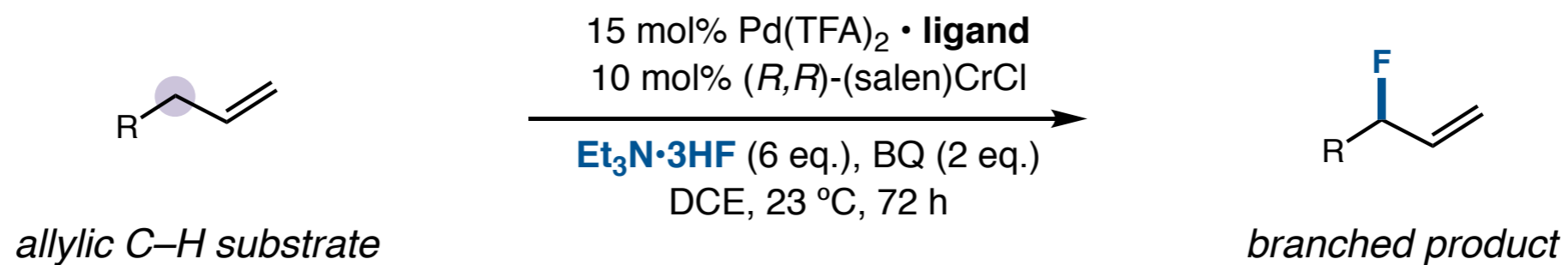


Typical π -allyl mechanism involving "naked" F^- as nucleophile unlikely

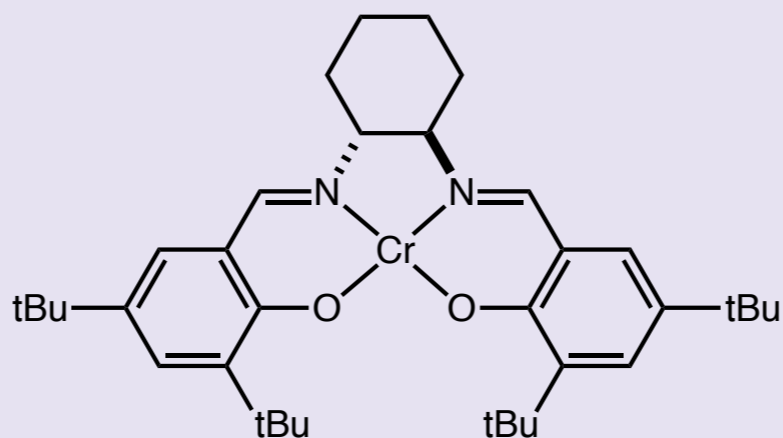
Proposed Mechanism for Palladium-Catalyzed Allylic Fluorination



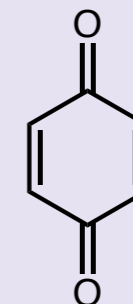
Palladium-Catalyzed Allylic C–H Fluorination



Pd(TFA)₂ · ligand

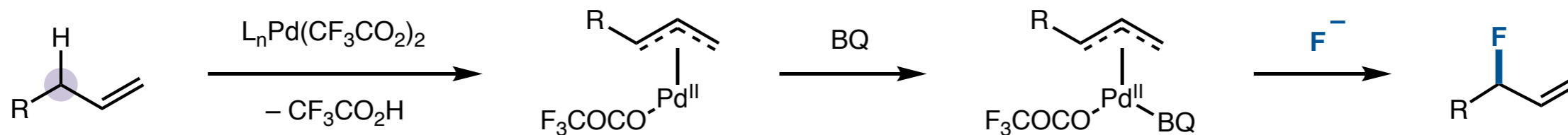


(R,R)-(salen)CrCl
Lewis acid

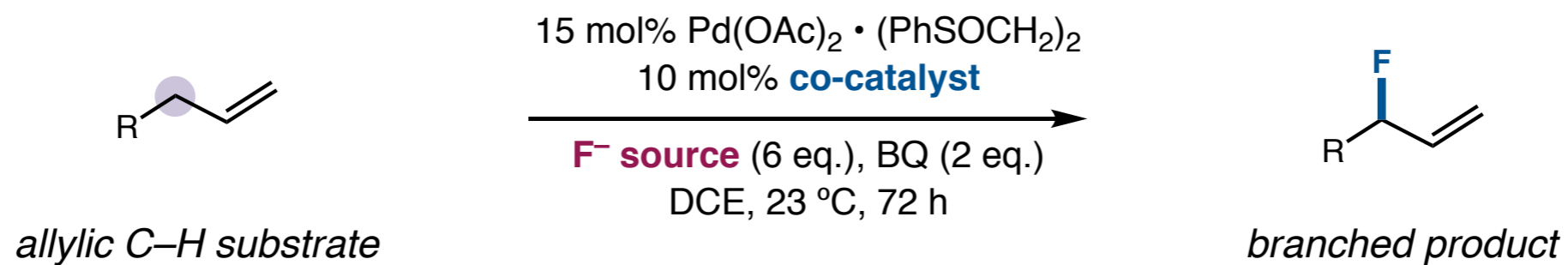


benzoquinone (BQ)
oxidant + ligand

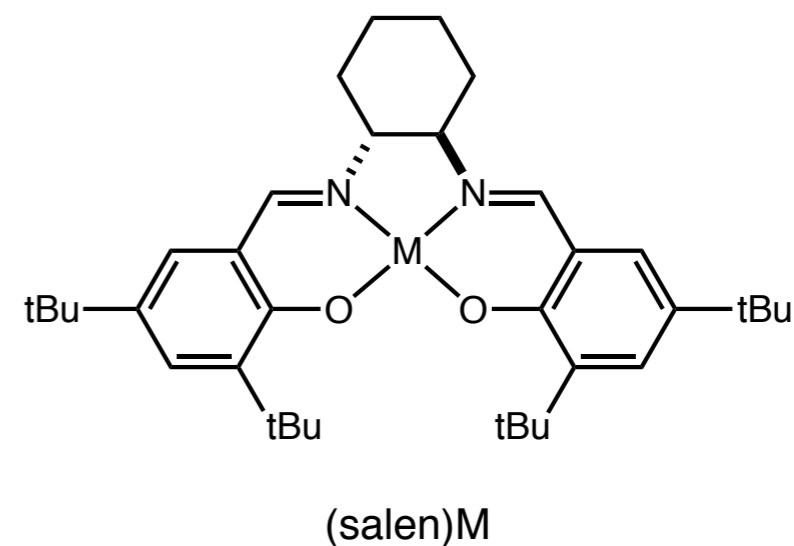
Potential reaction pathway



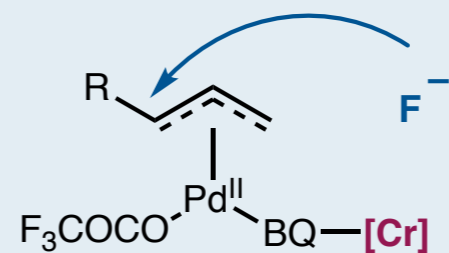
Palladium-Catalyzed Allylic C–H Fluorination



F [−] source	co-catalyst	yield
AgF	—	0%
KF	—	0%
Et ₃ N·3HF	—	33%
Et ₃ N·3HF	(salen)MnCl	14%
Et ₃ N·3HF	(salen)CrCl	51%
Et ₃ N·3HF	(salen)CrF	28%

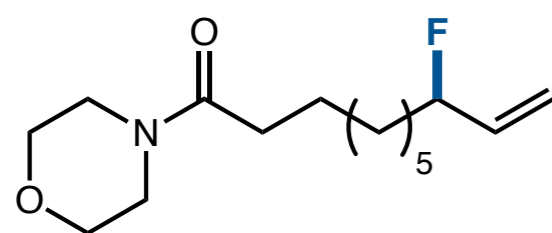
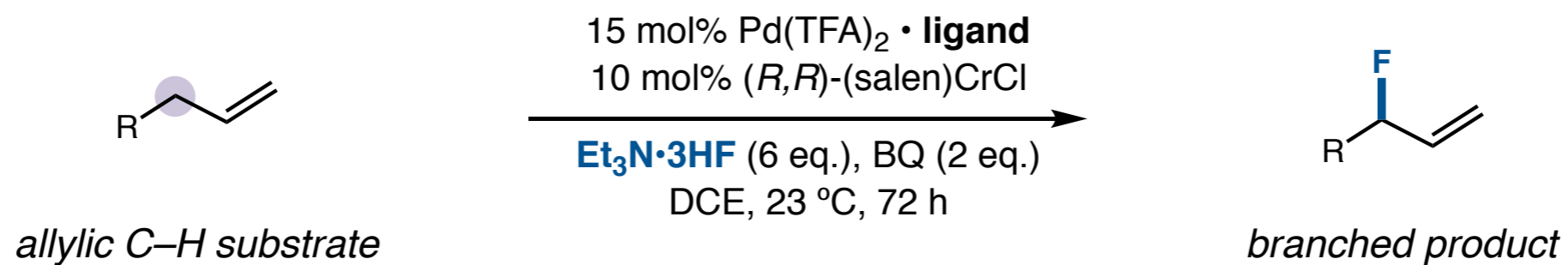


(salen)Cr—F
 potentially generated *in situ*
unlikely nucleophile

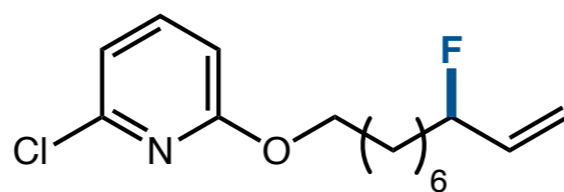


Lewis acid
increases [Pd]
electrophilicity

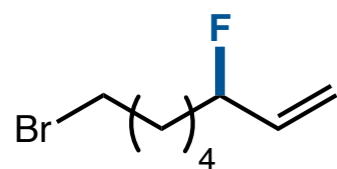
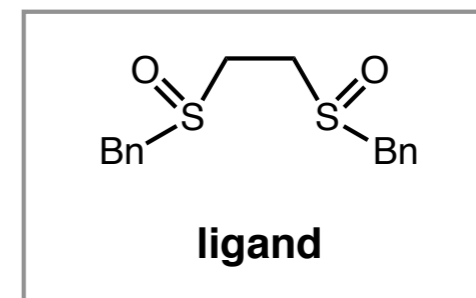
Palladium-Catalyzed Allylic C–H Fluorination



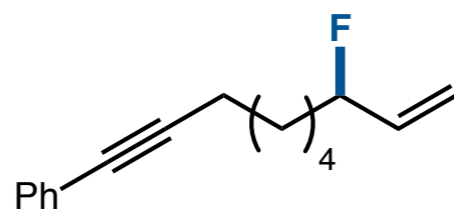
53% yield
7.0:1 b:l



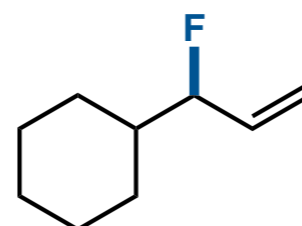
54% yield
7.8:1 b:l



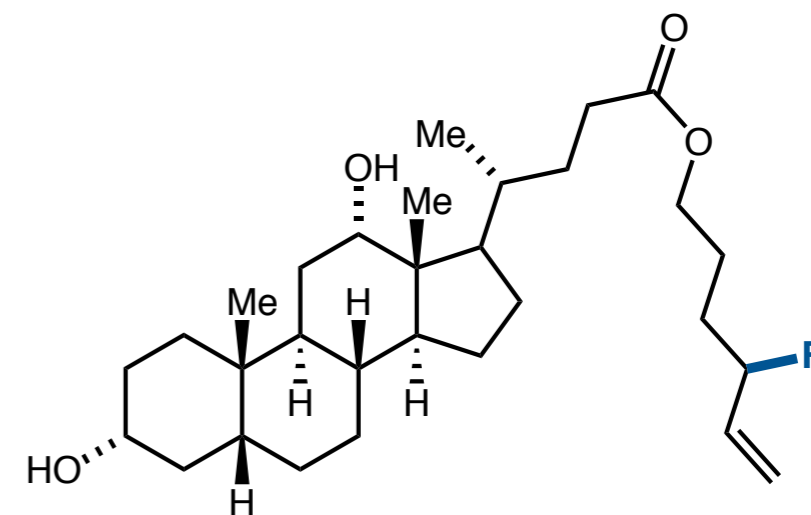
54% yield
7.0:1 b:l



47% yield
7.5:1 b:l

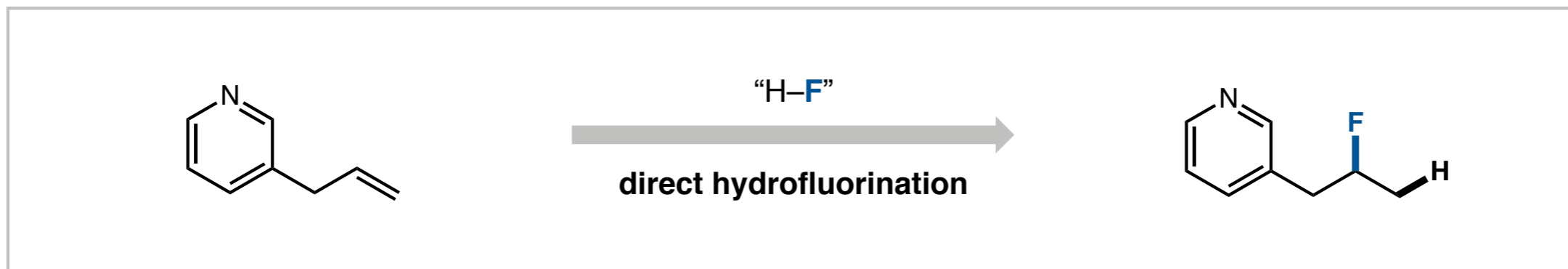


33% yield
2.0:1 b:l



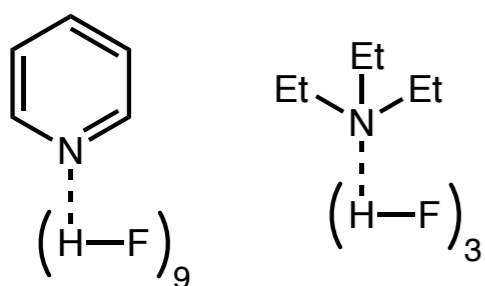
43% yield
6.8:1 b:l

Recent Advances in Direct Hydrofluorination of Alkenes

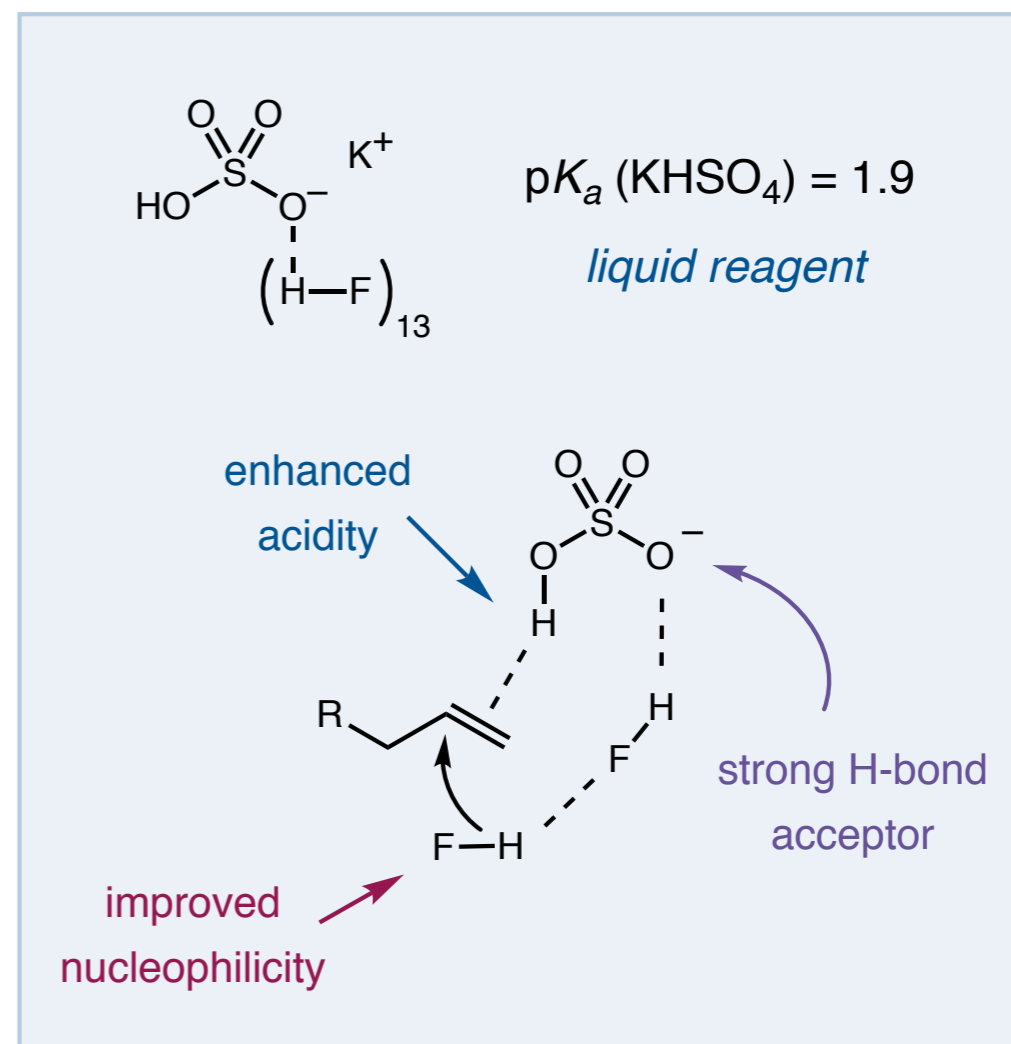


H-F
hydrofluoric acid
 $\text{p}K_a = 3.2$

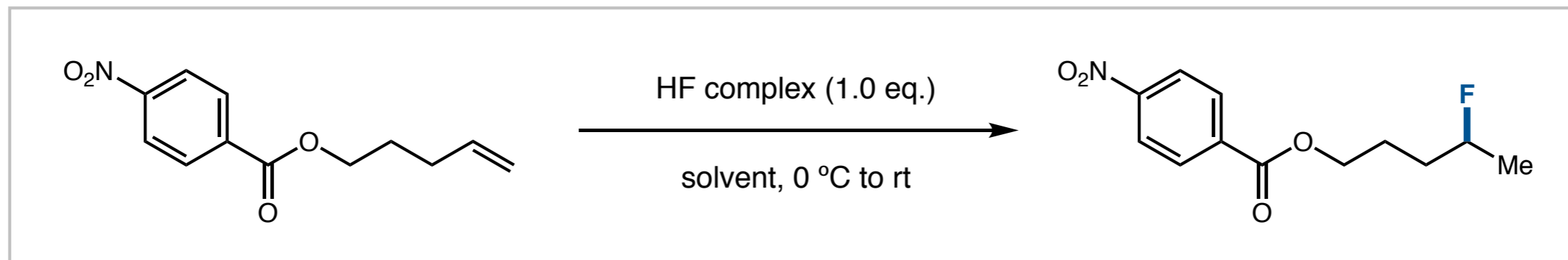
toxic and corrosive gas
difficult alkene protonation



convenient liquid F^- source
acidity further diminished
large excess required

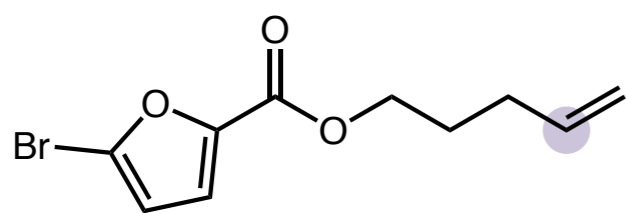
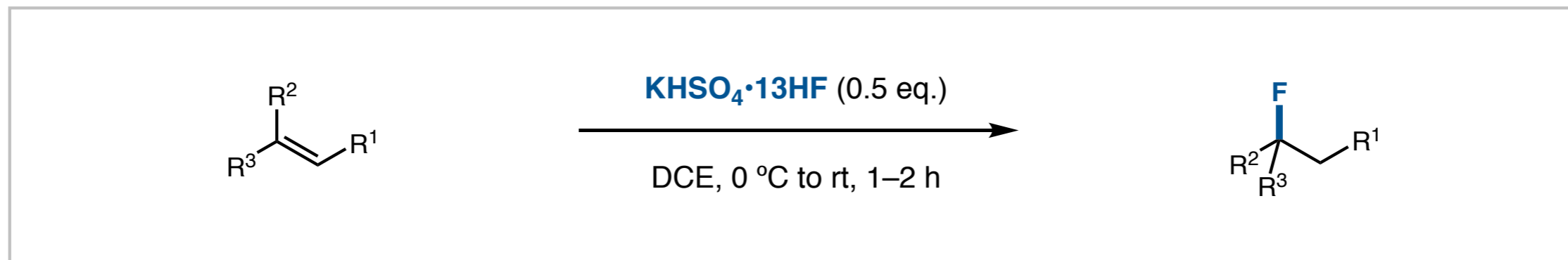


Direct Hydrofluorination of Alkenes Using a $\text{KHSO}_4\text{-HF}$ Complex

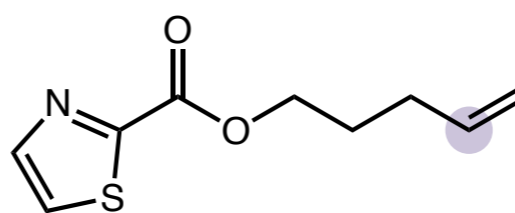


solvent	HF complex	time	alkene SM	product
DCM	Py·3HF	0.5 h	100%	0%
DCM	$\text{K}_2\text{SO}_4\cdot 14\text{HF}$	18 h	84%	16%
DCM	$\text{KHSO}_4\cdot 13\text{HF}$	0.5 h	57%	43%
DCE	$\text{KHSO}_4\cdot 13\text{HF}$	0.5 h	29%	71%
DCE	$\text{KHSO}_4\cdot 13\text{HF}$	2 h	3%	83%
DCE	$\text{KH}_2\text{PO}_4\cdot 9\text{HF}$	0.5 h	100%	0%

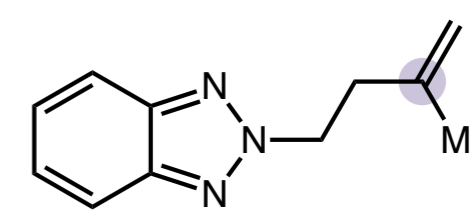
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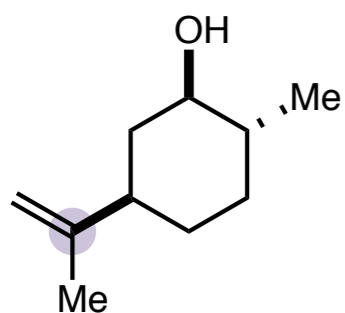
79% yield



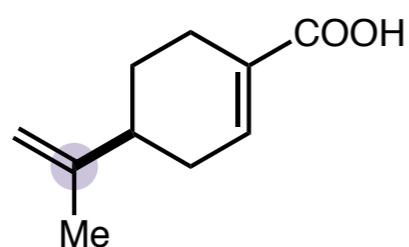
72% yield



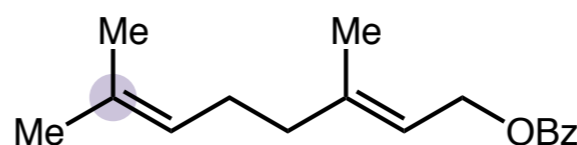
61% yield



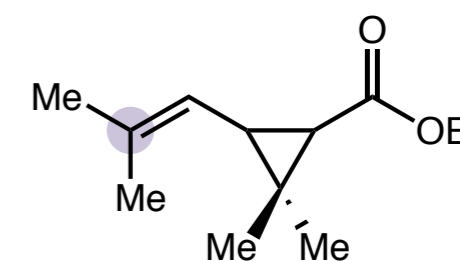
53% yield



62% yield

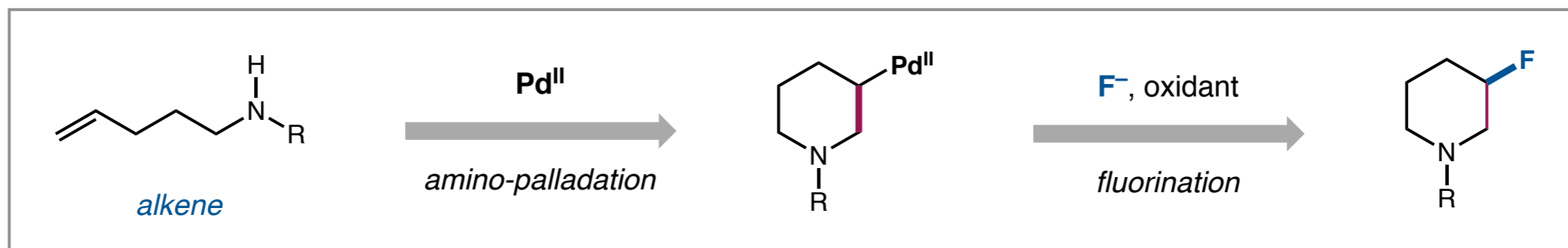


45% yield

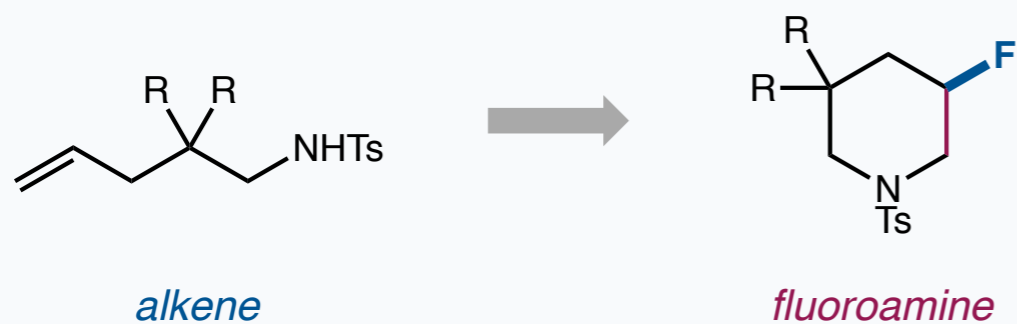


61% yield

Palladium-Catalyzed Aminofluorination of Alkenes

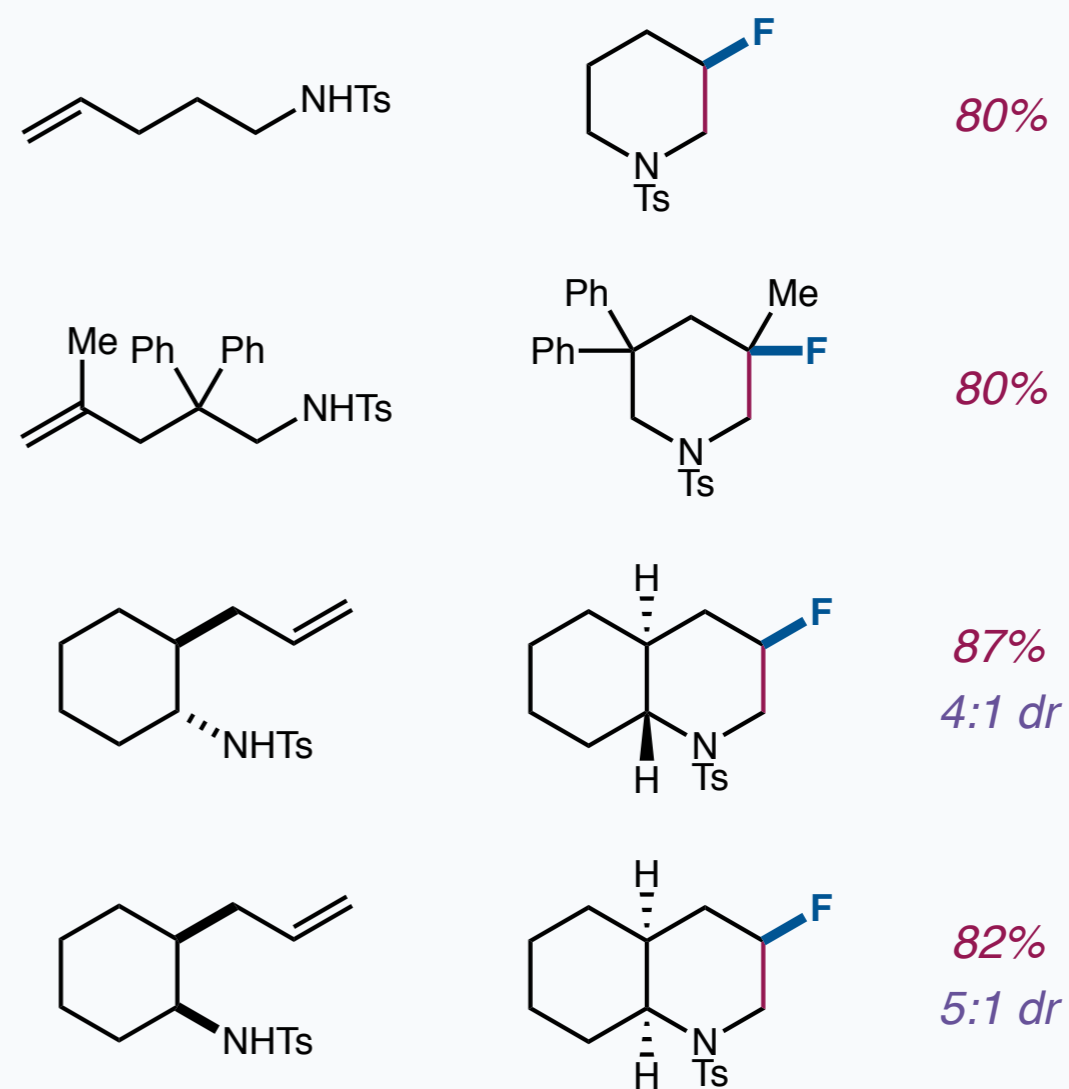


Nucleophilic amino-fluorination of alkenes containing tosyl-protected amines

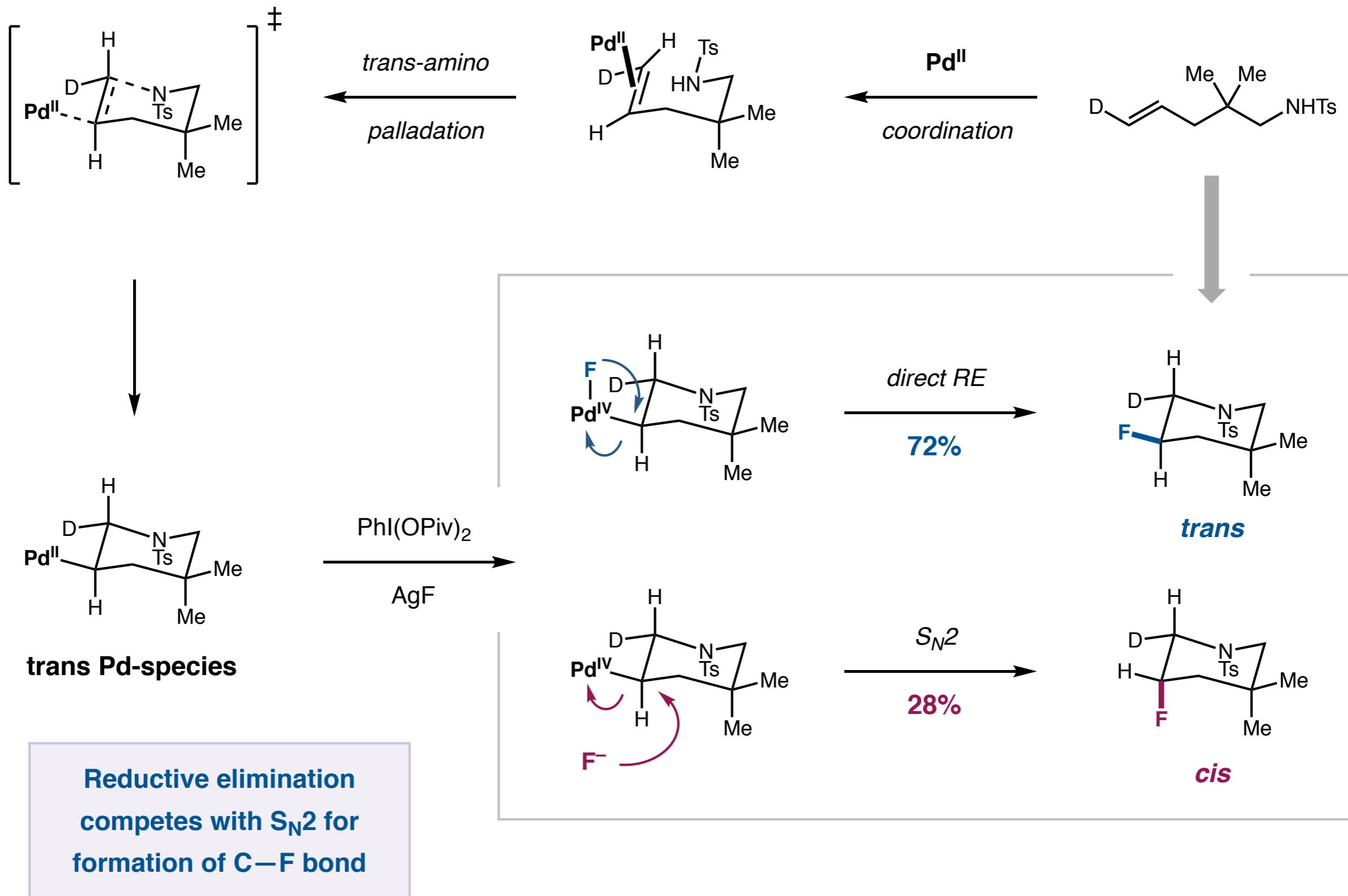


conditions

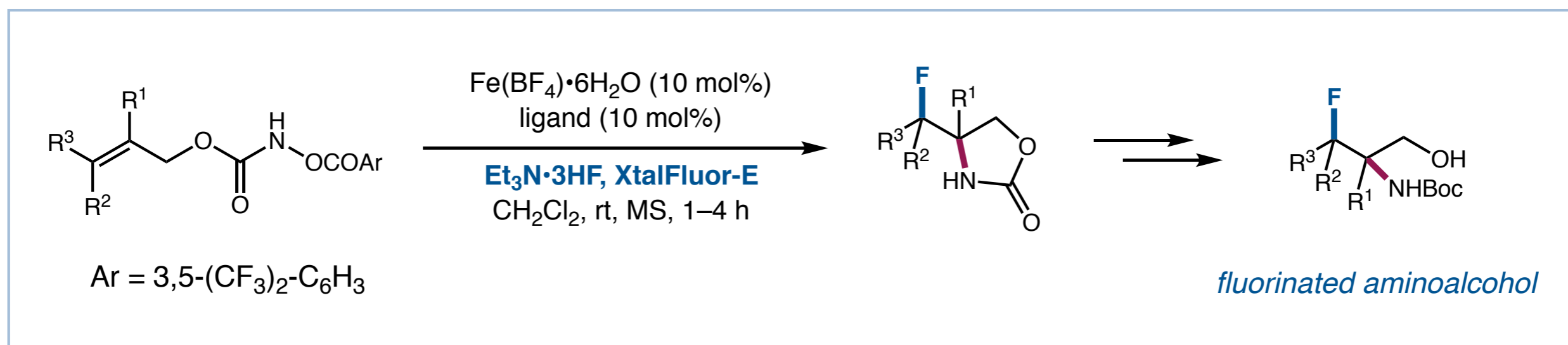
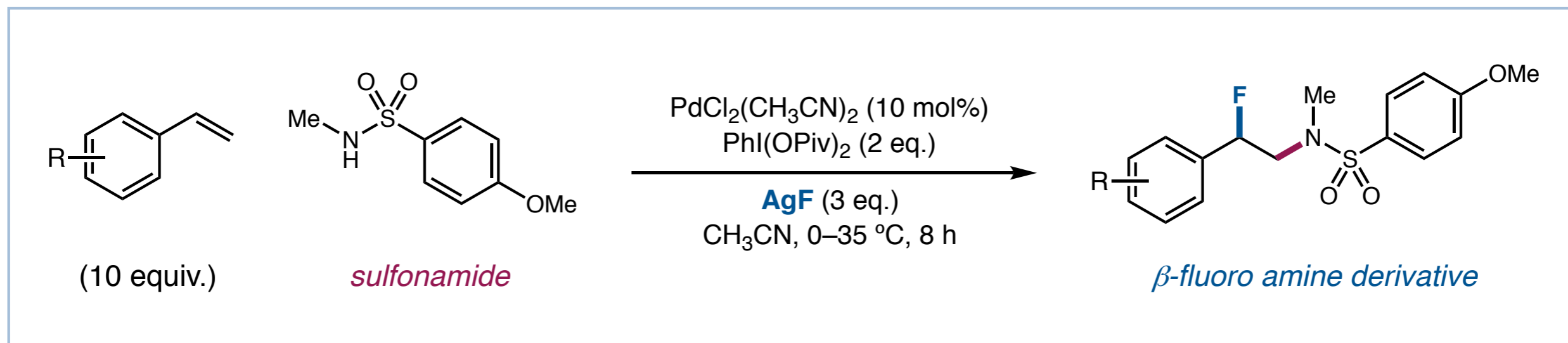
10 mol% Pd(OAc)₂ 2 eq. PhI(OPiv)₂
 MgSO₄ 5 eq. AgF
 CH₃CN, rt



Mechanism for Palladium-Catalyzed Aminofluorination of Alkenes



Other Examples of Metal-Catalyzed Alkene Aminofluorination

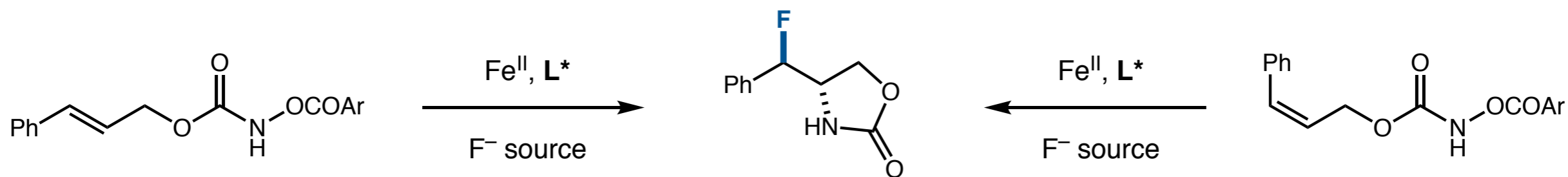


Zhu, H.; Liu, G. *Acta. Chim. Sinica* **2012**, *70*, 2404.

Fu, D.-F.; Liu, G.-S.; Zhu, C.-L.; Yuan, B.; Xu, H. *Org. Lett.* **2014**, *16*, 2912.

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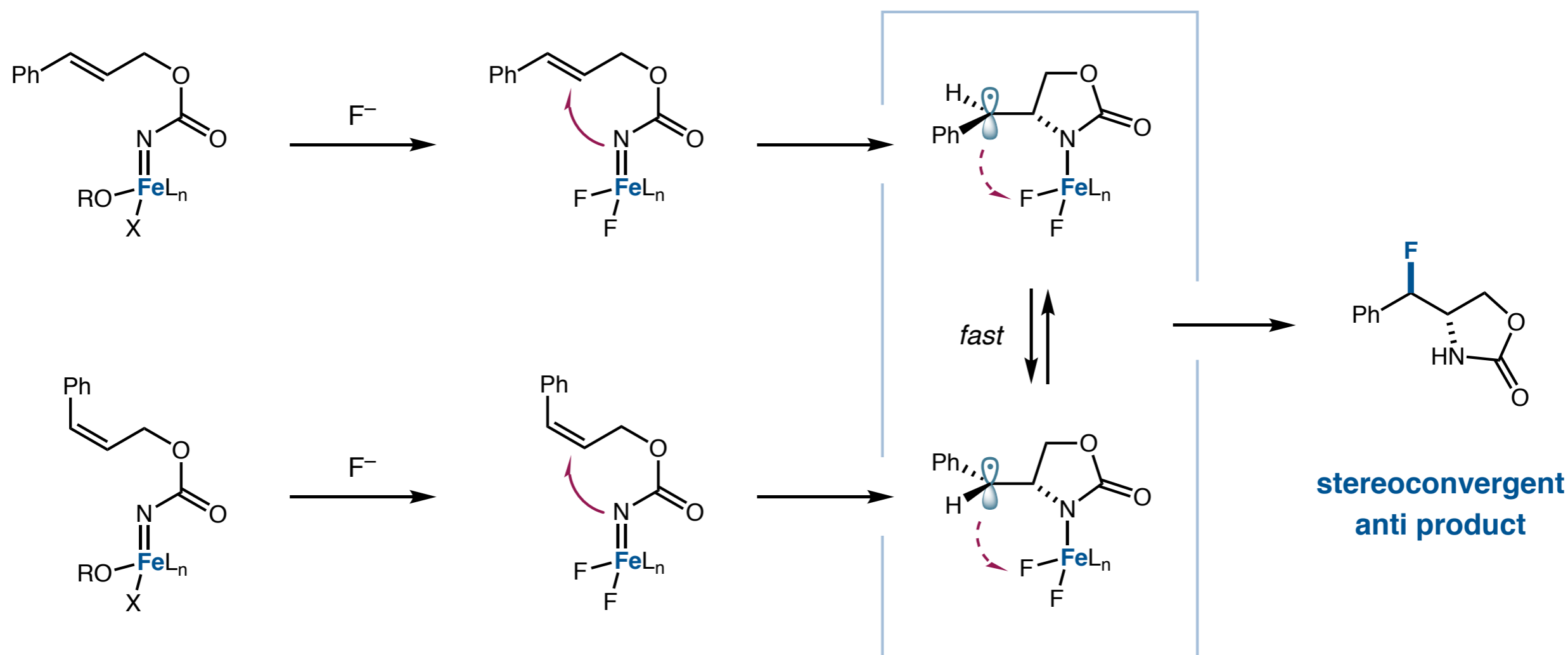
Mechanistic Insight for Iron-Catalyzed Aminofluorination of Alkenes



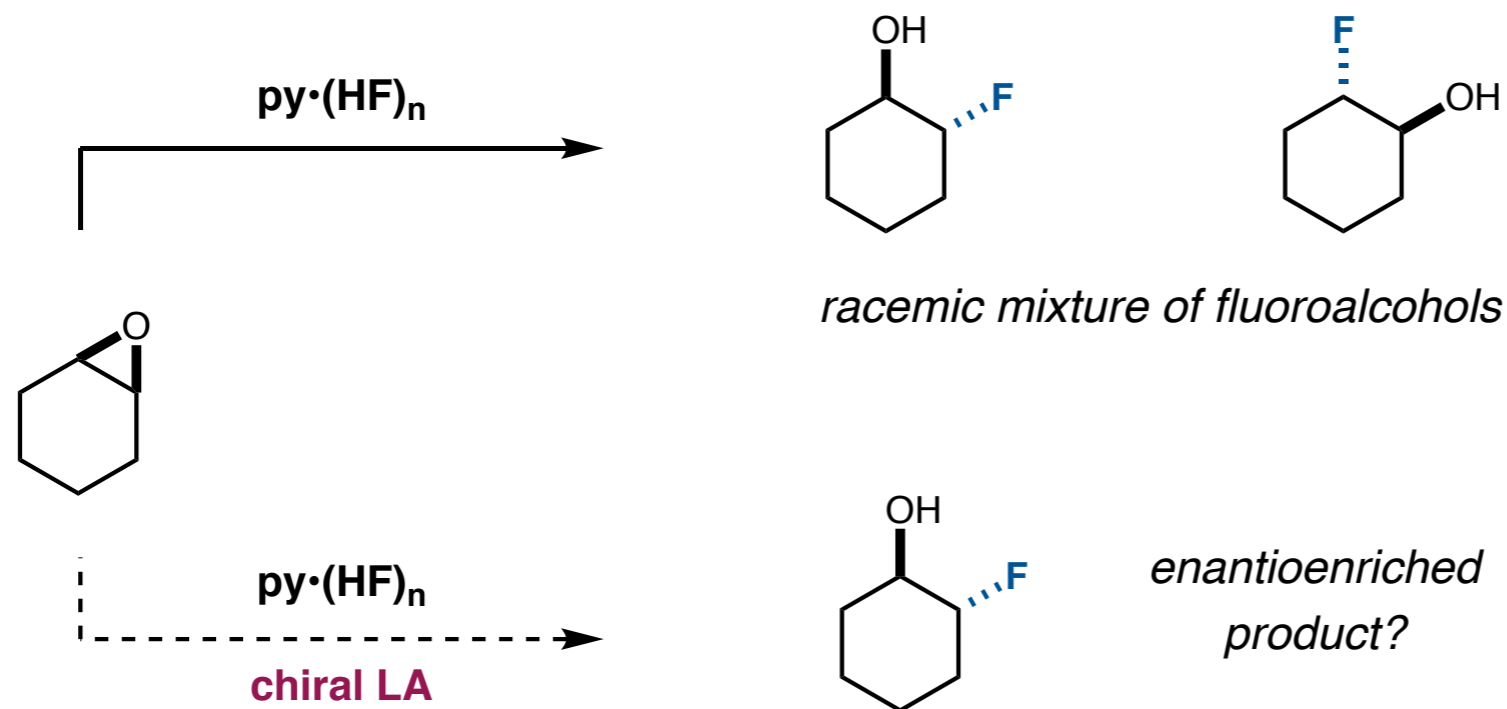
■ Iron involved in bond-forming step

3.2:1 dr, 81% ee

■ Ablation of alkene stereochemistry



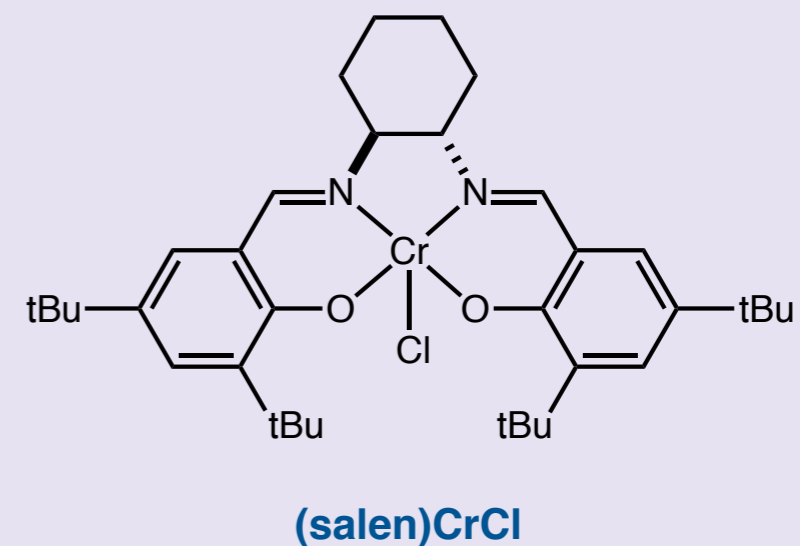
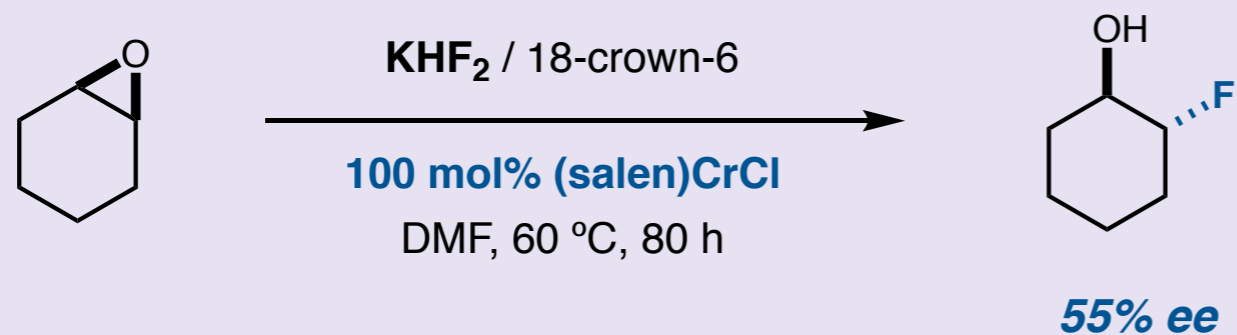
Opportunities for Asymmetric Hydrofluorination of Epoxides



*Precedented
Remarkable reactivity*

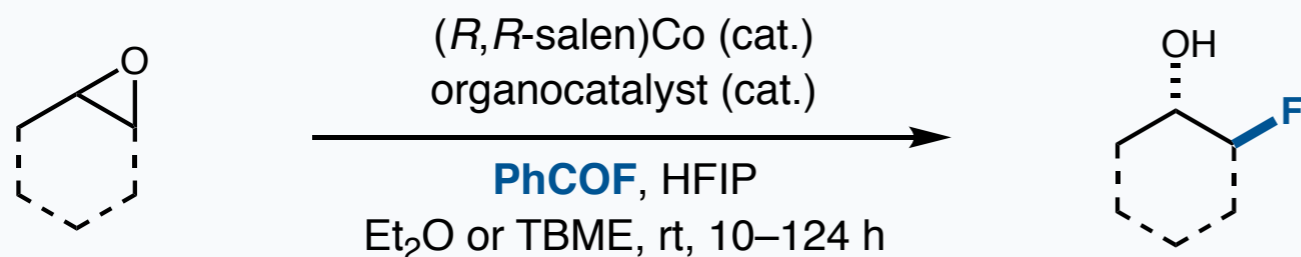
*Fast background rxn
Catalyst inhibition*

Haufe – the first asymmetric hydrofluorination of epoxides

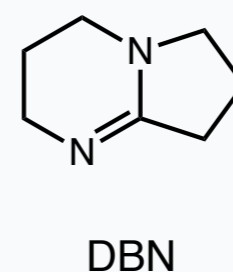
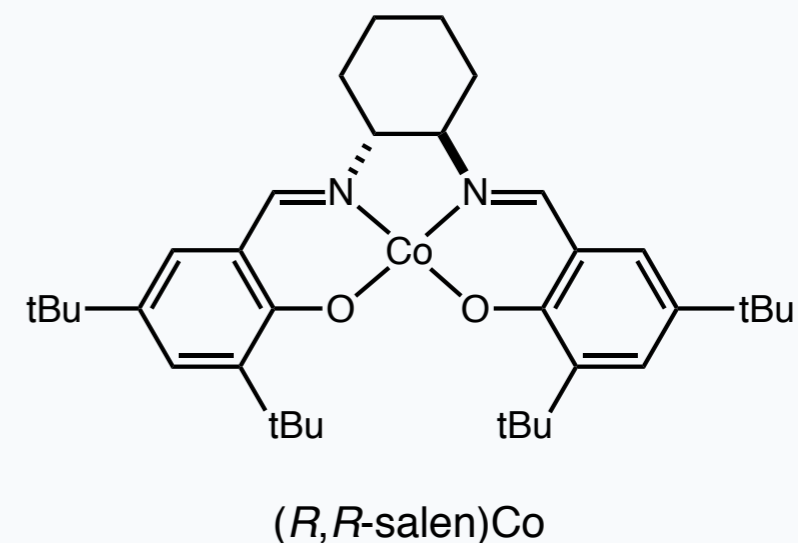
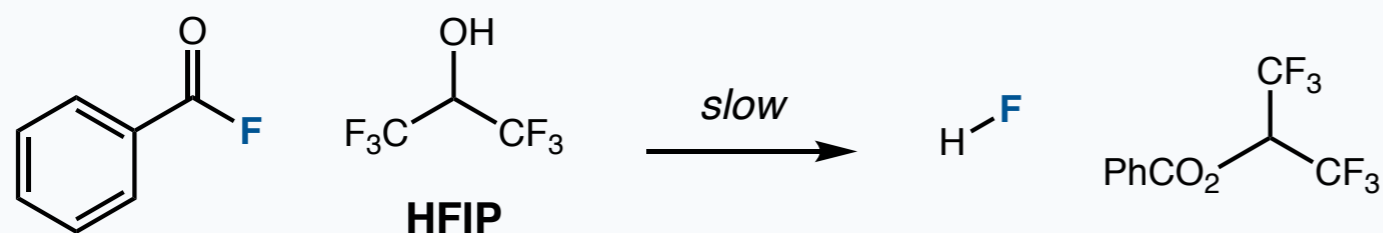


Doyle's Lewis Acid-Catalyzed Asymmetric Hydrofluorination of Epoxides

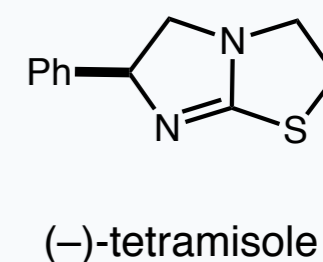
Doyle's Catalytic Asymmetric Epoxide Hydrofluorination



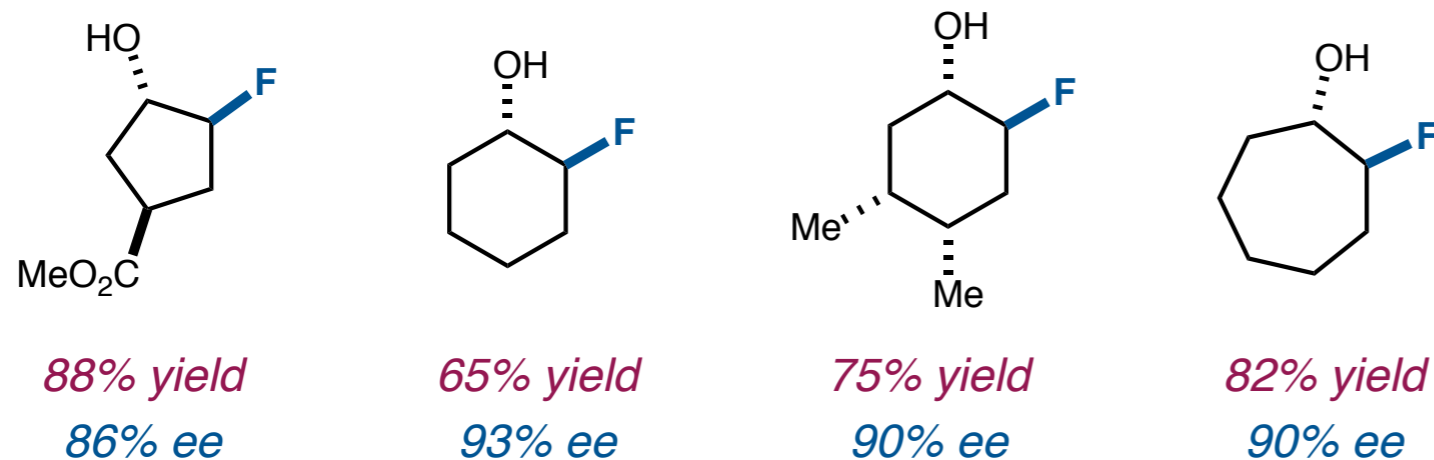
Key design element: slow generation of active "HF"



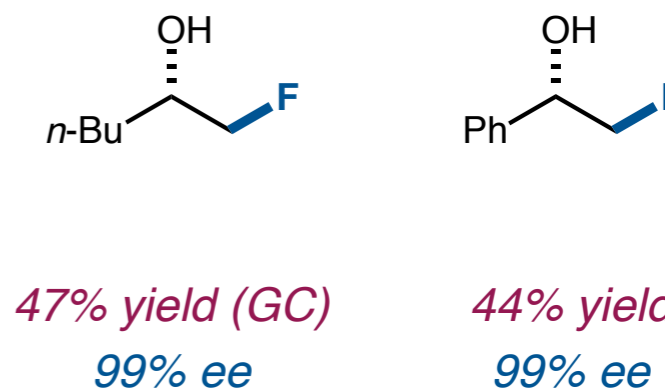
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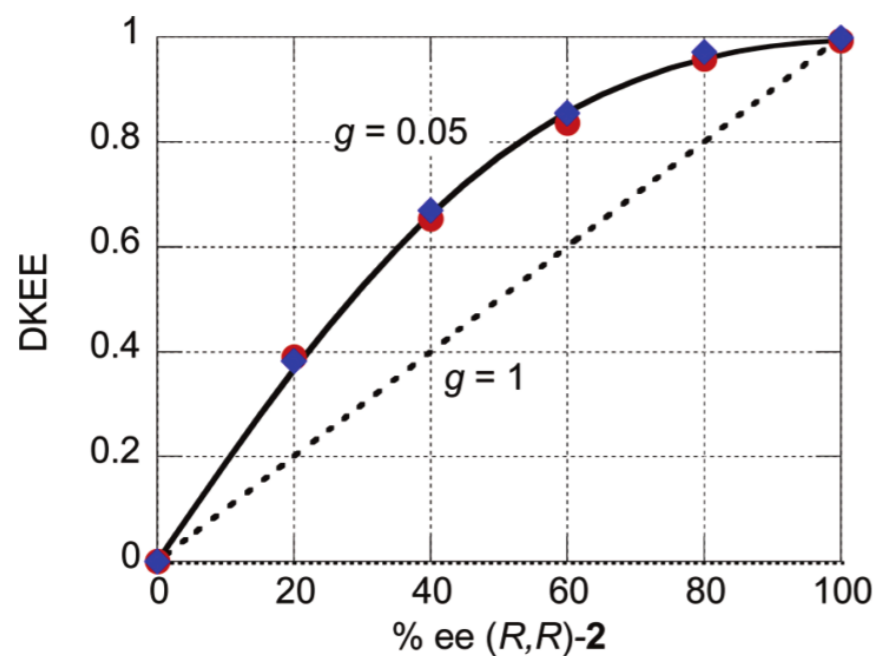
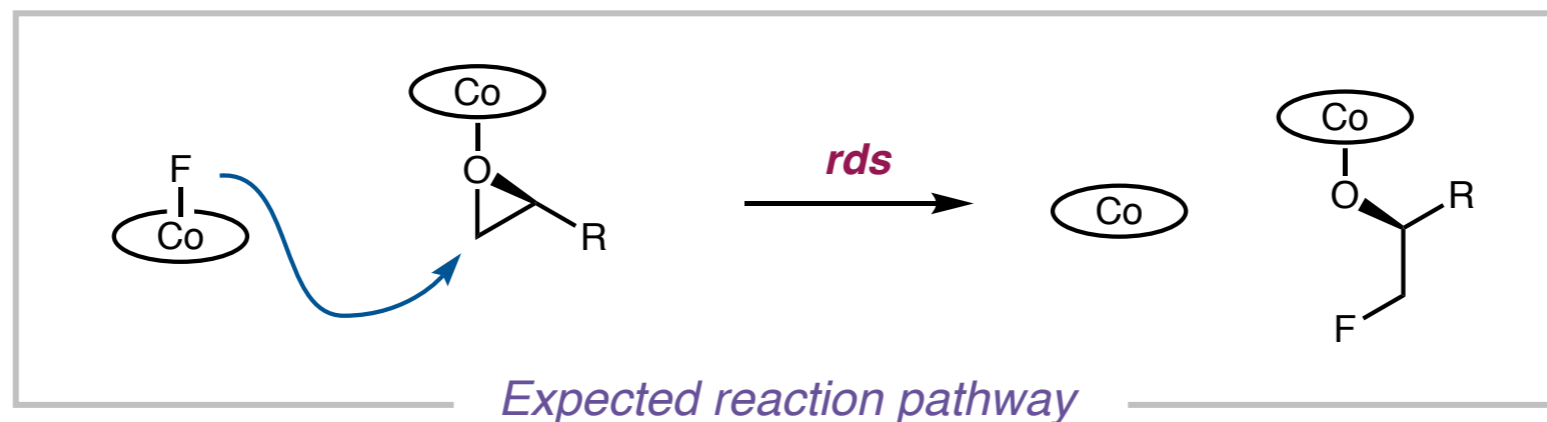
Desymmetrization



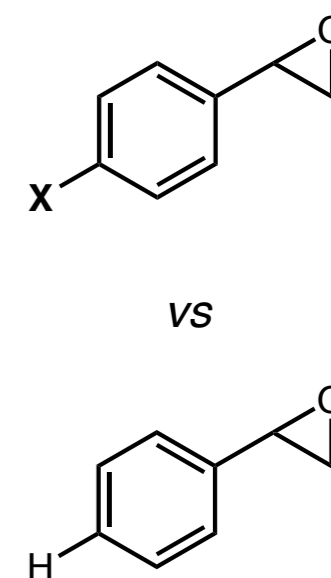
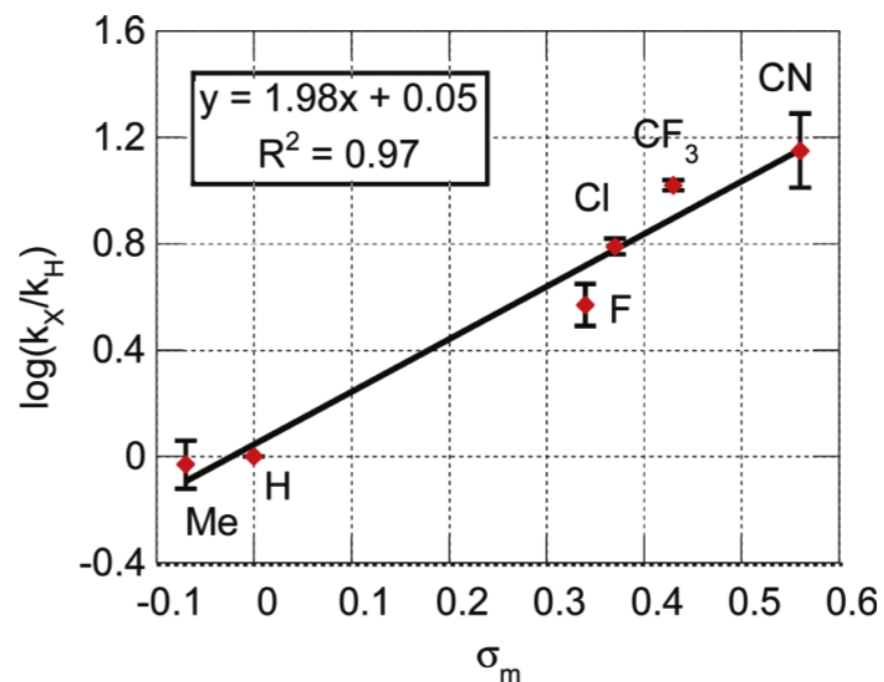
Kinetic resolution



Mechanistic Investigation for Asymmetric Hydrofluorination of Epoxides



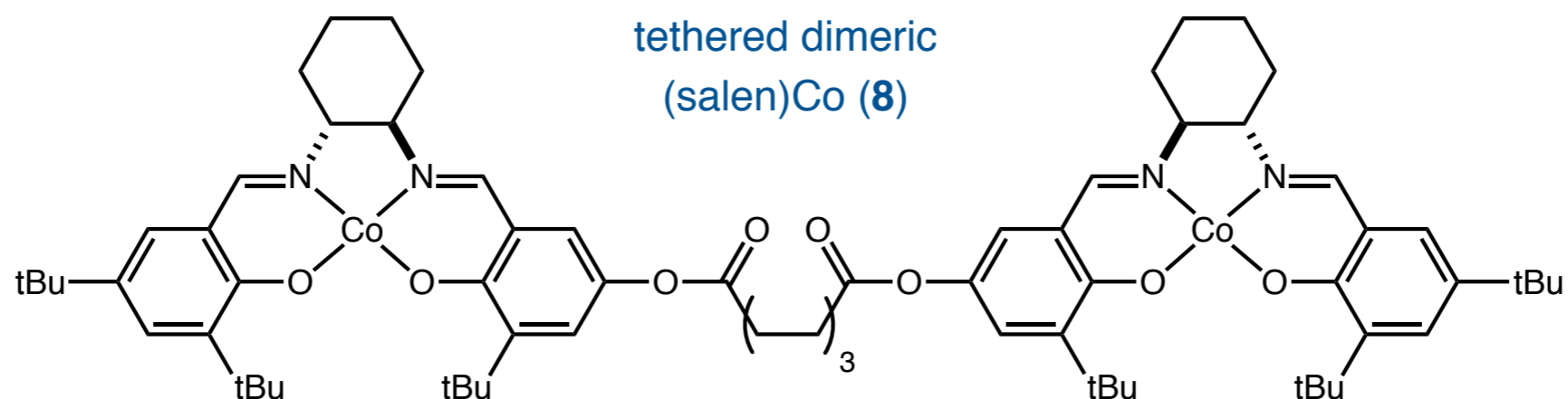
non-linear effects with (salen)Co (2)
consistent with bimetallic rds



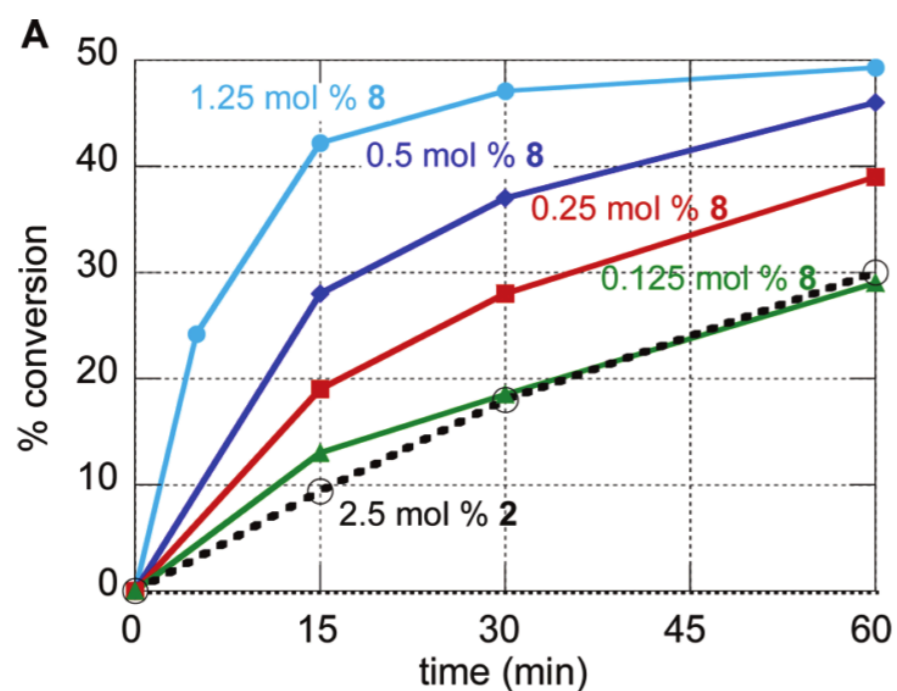
buildup of negative charge on substrate
consistent with epoxide opening in rds

Discrepancy: kinetic studies show first order in (salen)Co catalyst!

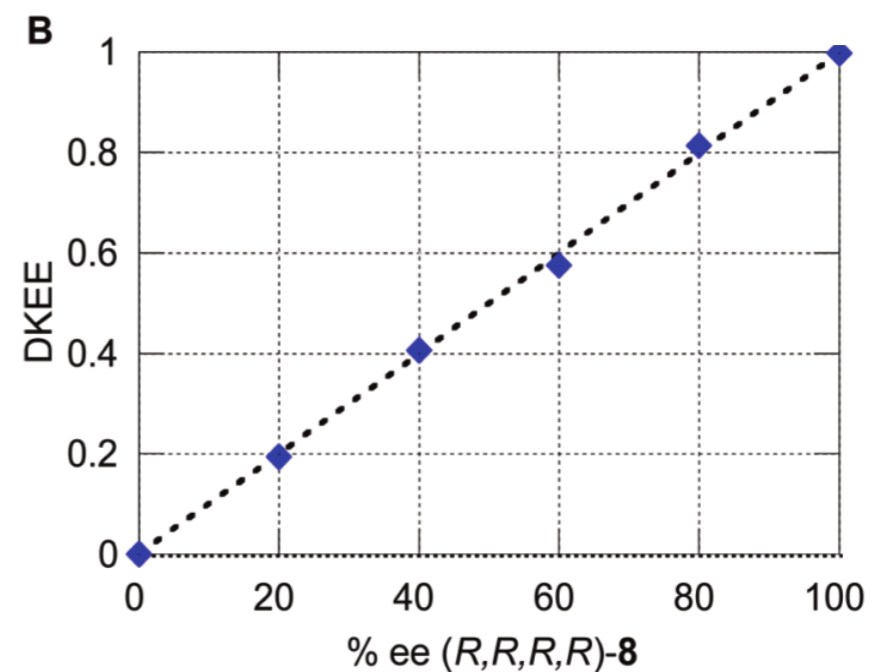
Mechanistic Investigation for Asymmetric Hydrofluorination of Epoxides



(!!!) rate data show *half-order* dependence on **8** (!!!)



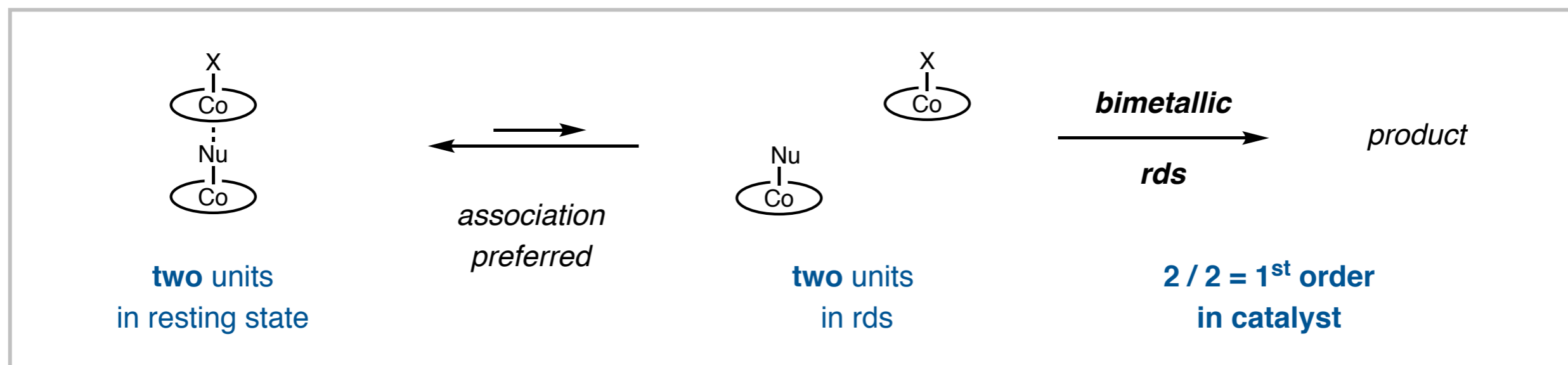
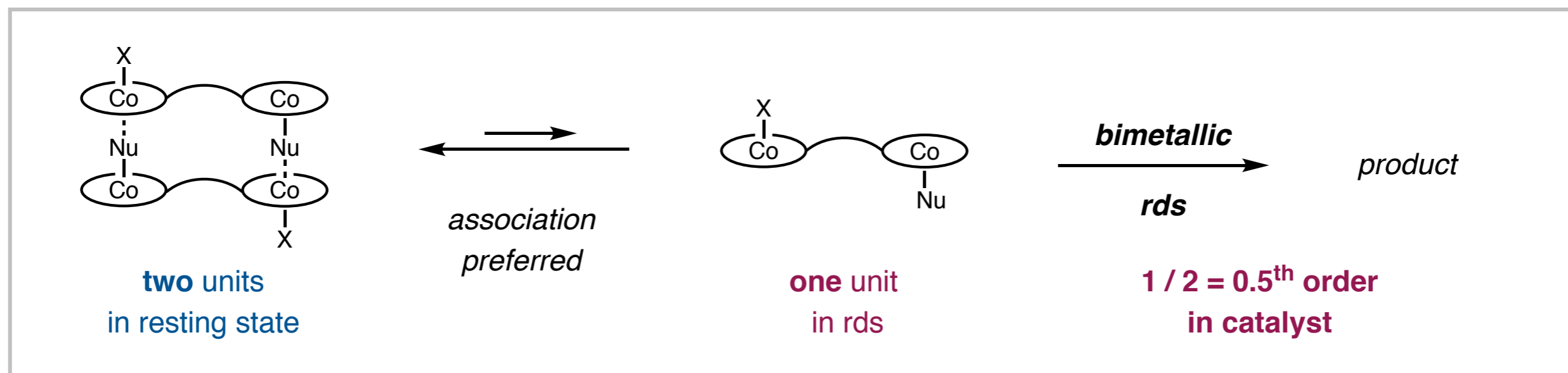
rate enhancement relative to monomer



absence of non-linear effects

consistent with bimetallic mechanism

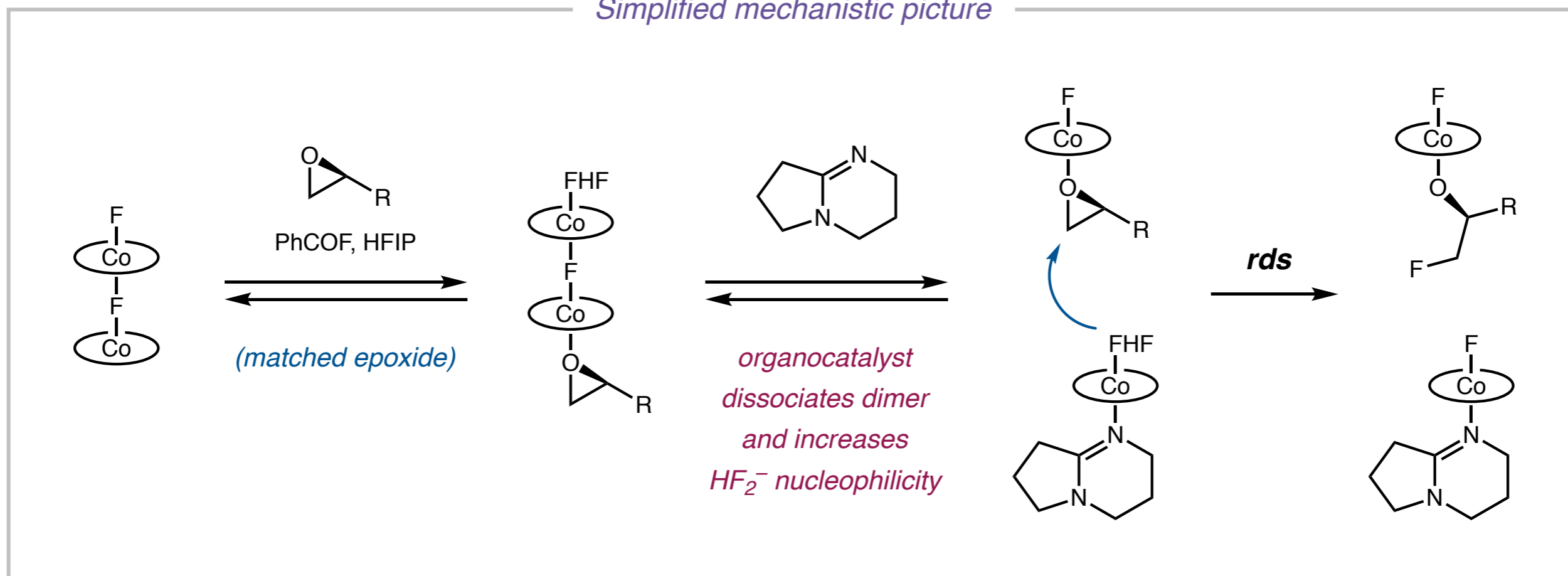
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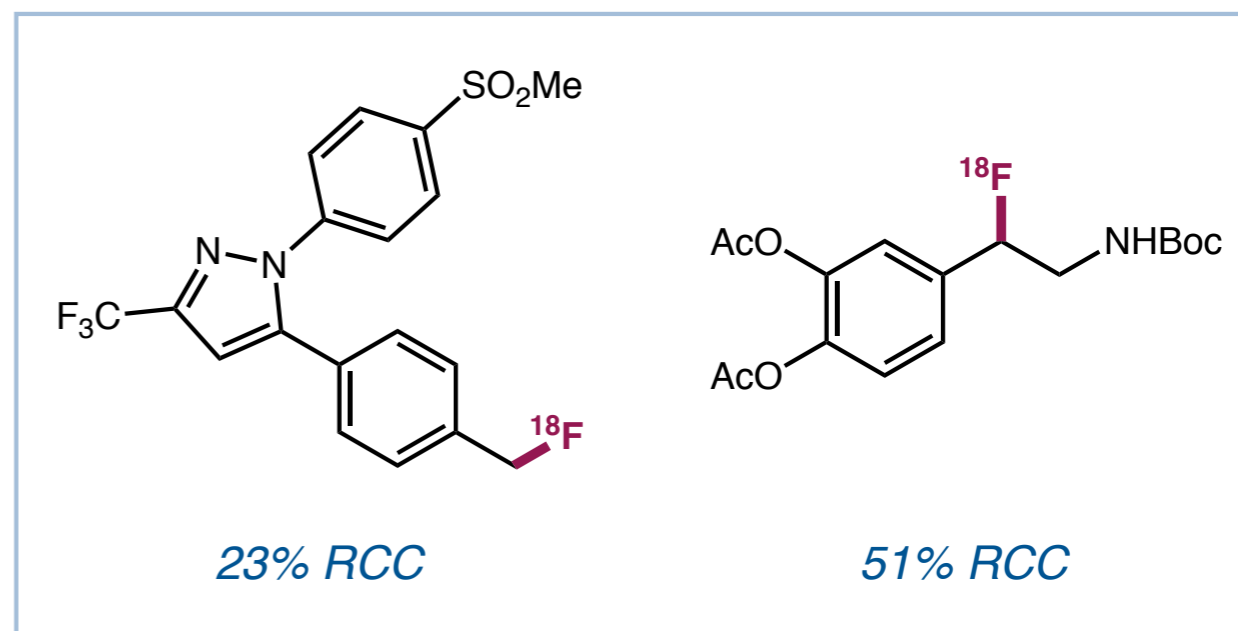
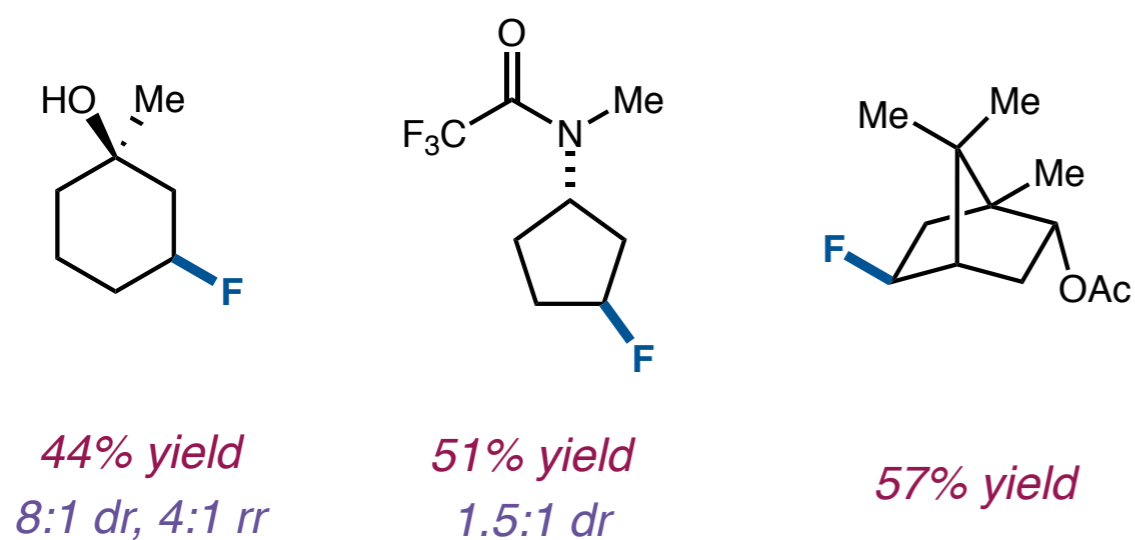
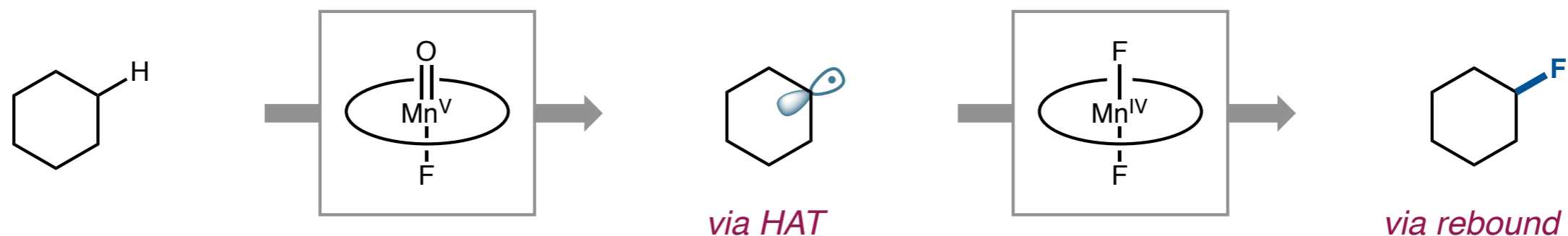
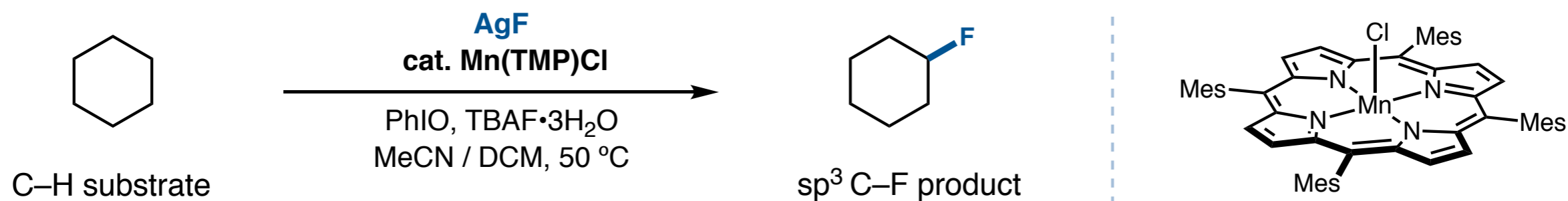
Bimetallic rate-determining step + dimeric resting state = first order kinetics

Mechanistic Investigation for Asymmetric Hydrofluorination of Epoxides

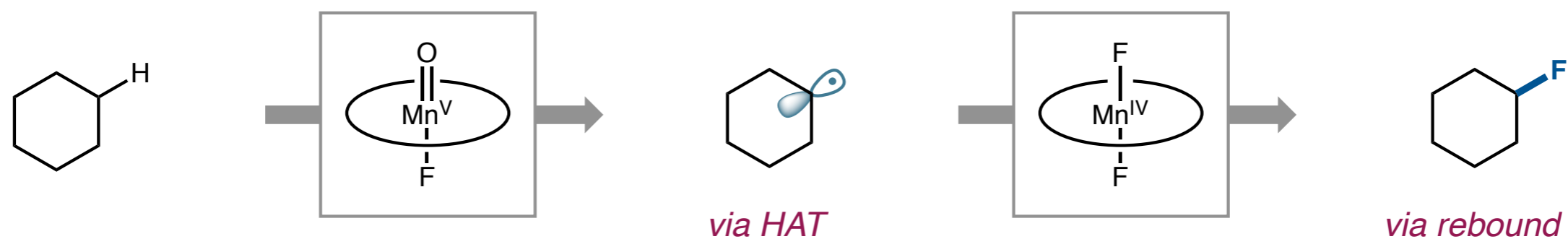
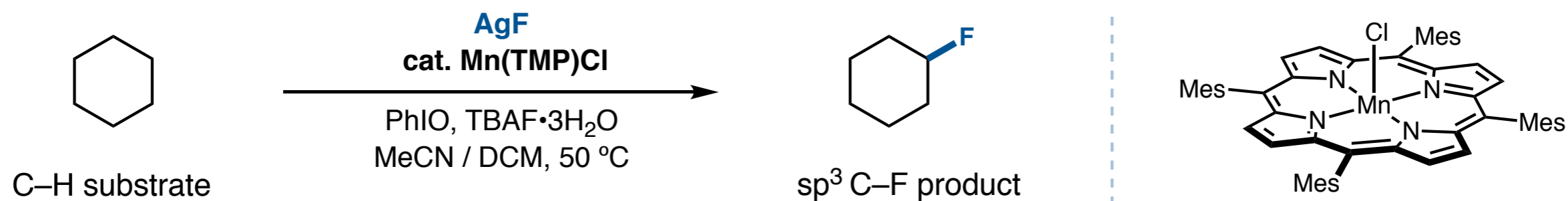
Simplified mechanistic picture



Aliphatic C–H Nucleophilic Fluorination with Manganese Complexes



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For more details,
see Yong's group meeting
on manganese catalysis



Recent Developments in Nucleophilic Fluorination

Construction of Alkyl C–F Bonds

Nucleophilic substitution promoted by hydrogen bonding

Deoxyfluorination of aliphatic alcohols

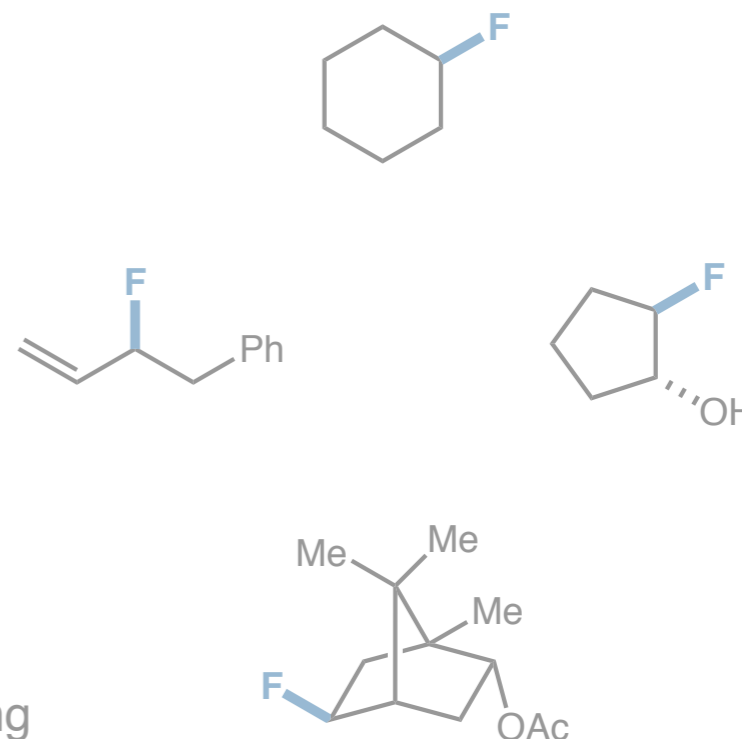
Transition metal-catalyzed allylic fluorination

Direct hydrofluorination of alkenes

Metal-mediated aminofluorination of alkenes

Asymmetric hydrofluorination of epoxides

Manganese-catalyzed C–H fluorination – see YYL group meeting

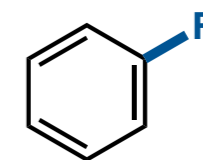


Construction of Aromatic C–F Bonds

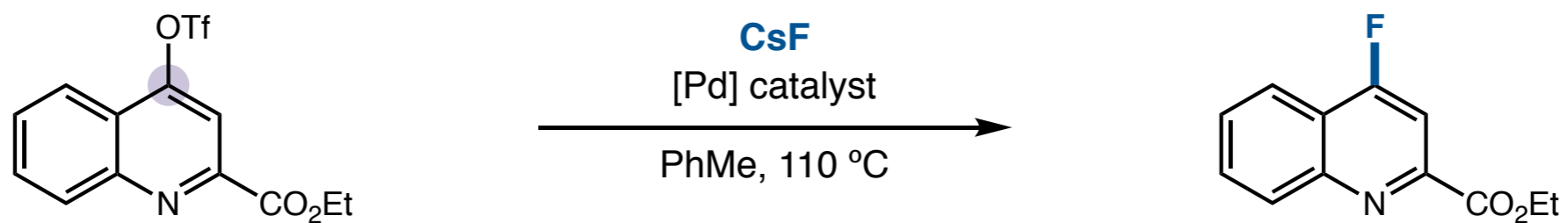
Metal-mediated fluorination of arenes – see JRT group meeting

Nucleophilic aromatic substitution of (pseudo)halides

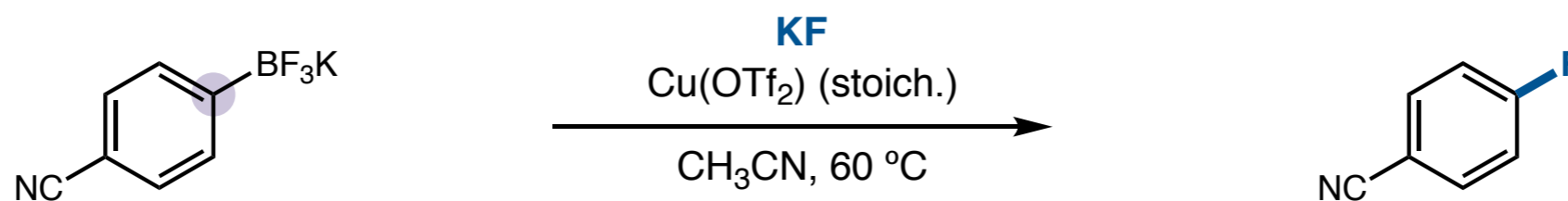
Ritter's S_NAr deoxyfluorination of phenols



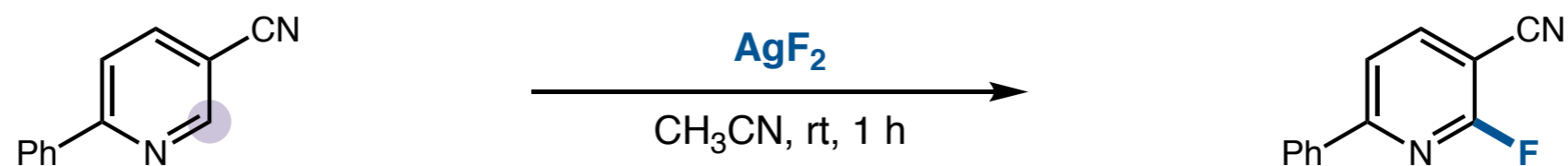
Transition Metal-Mediated Nucleophilic Fluorination of Arenes



Buchwald, S. L. *et al. Science* **2008**, 325, 1661.

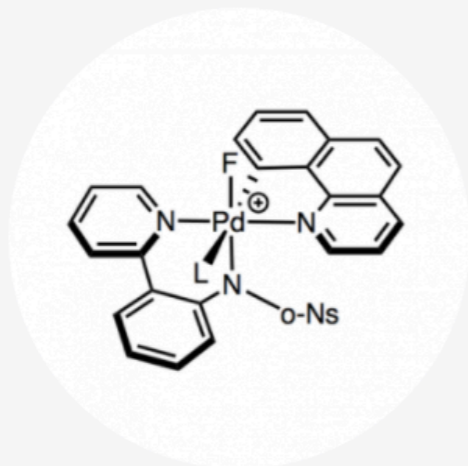


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Transition Metal-Mediated Nucleophilic Fluorination of Arenes

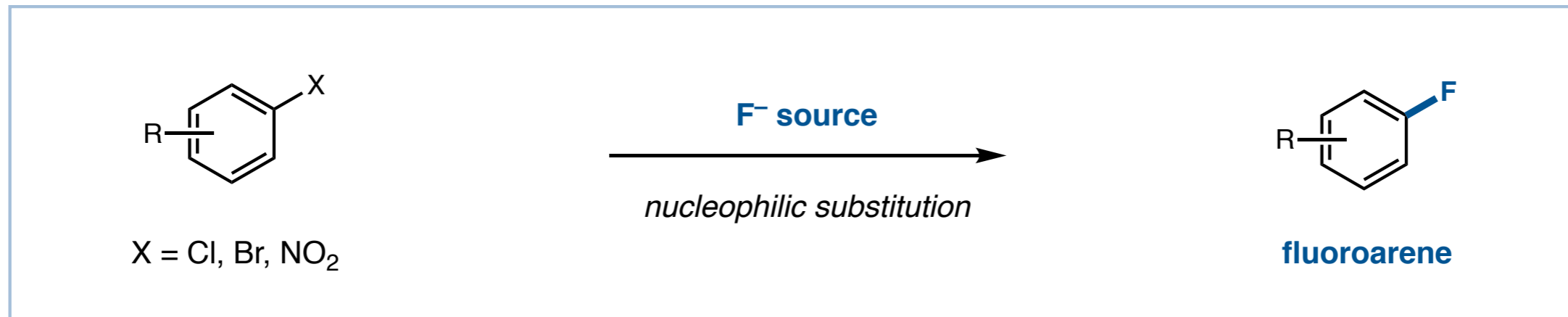


Transition Metal Mediated Fluorination
of Arenes

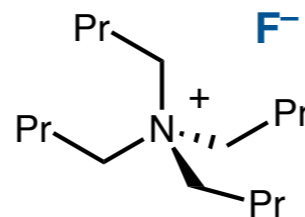
Jack Twilton →



Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution of Haloarenes with “Naked” Fluoride

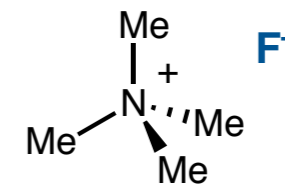


low solubility in organics
requires high temperatures



good solubility

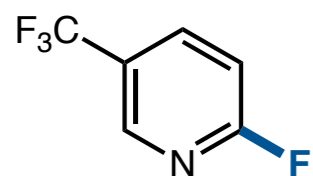
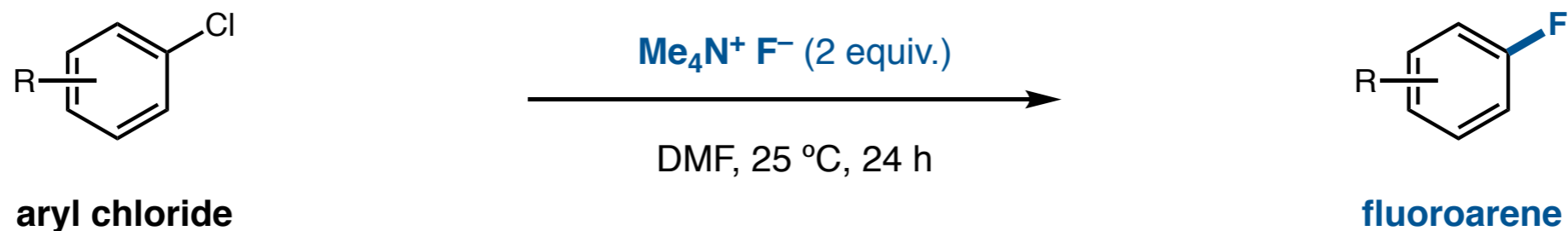
Hoffmann elimination when drying



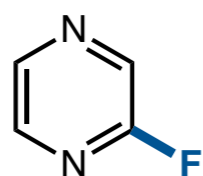
good solubility

easy preparation and drying

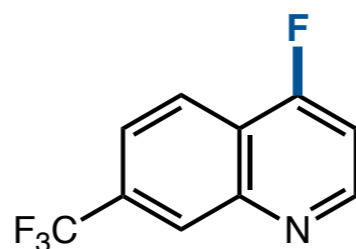
Sanford's Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution of Haloarenes with NMe_4F



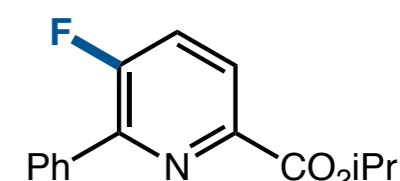
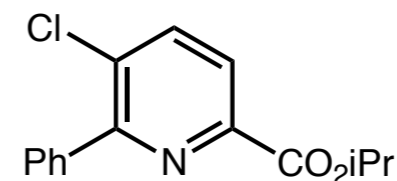
98% yield



92% yield



79% yield



equiv. H₂O

yield

0

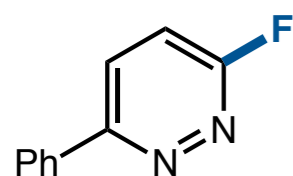
99%

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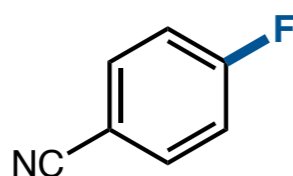
76%

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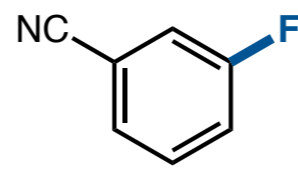
1%



90% yield



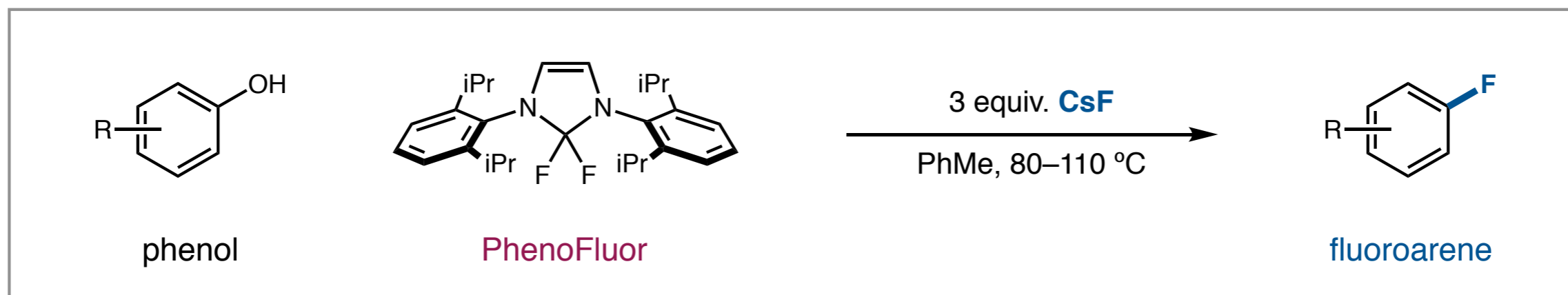
80% yield
(at 80 °C)



7% yield
(at 80 °C)

“Naked” fluoride $\text{S}_{\text{N}}\text{Ar}$ very sensitive to presence of water

Ritter's Deoxyfluorination of Phenols



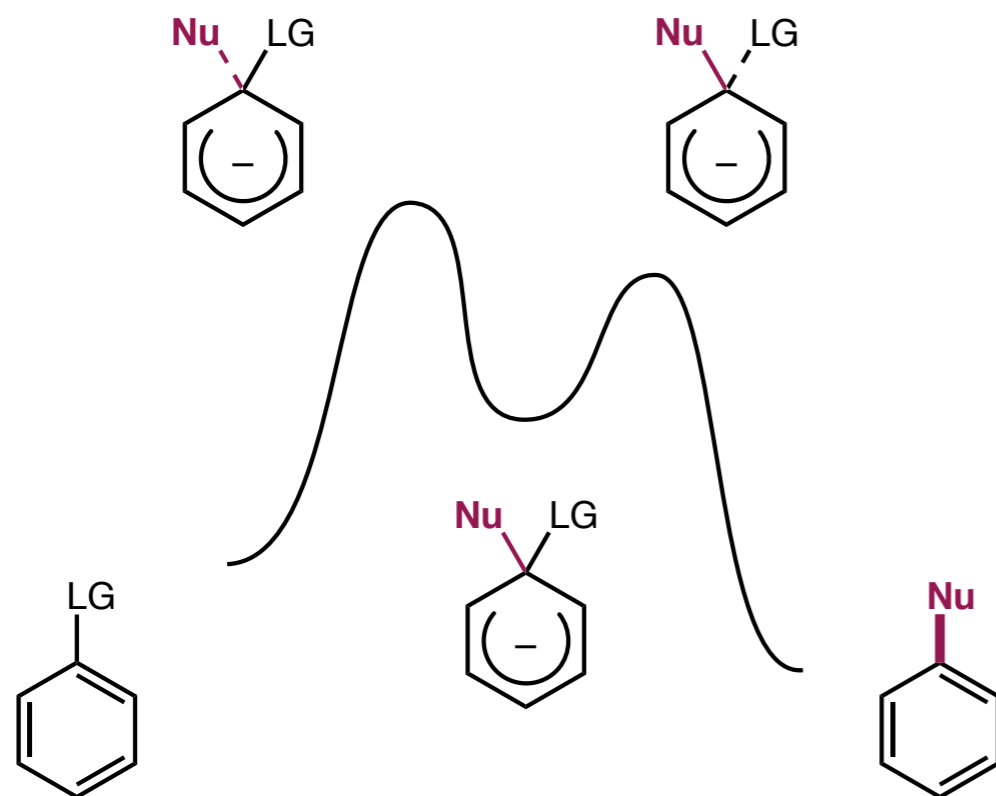
- *Adaptable towards fluorination with nucleophilic ^{18}F*
- *Compatible with wide range of electronically distinct arenes*
- *Unique $S_{\text{N}}\text{Ar}$ approach for deoxyfluorination of phenols*

Tang, P.; Wang, W.; Ritter, T. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2011**, *133*, 11482.

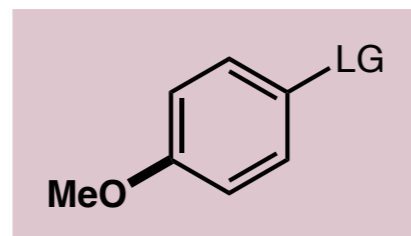
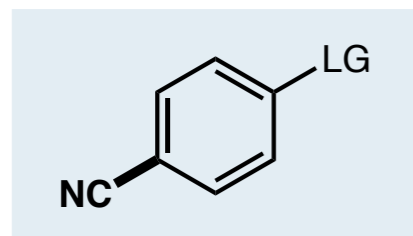
Neumann, C. N.; Hooker, J. M.; Ritter, T. *Nature* **2016**, *534*, 369.

A Concerted Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution Approach

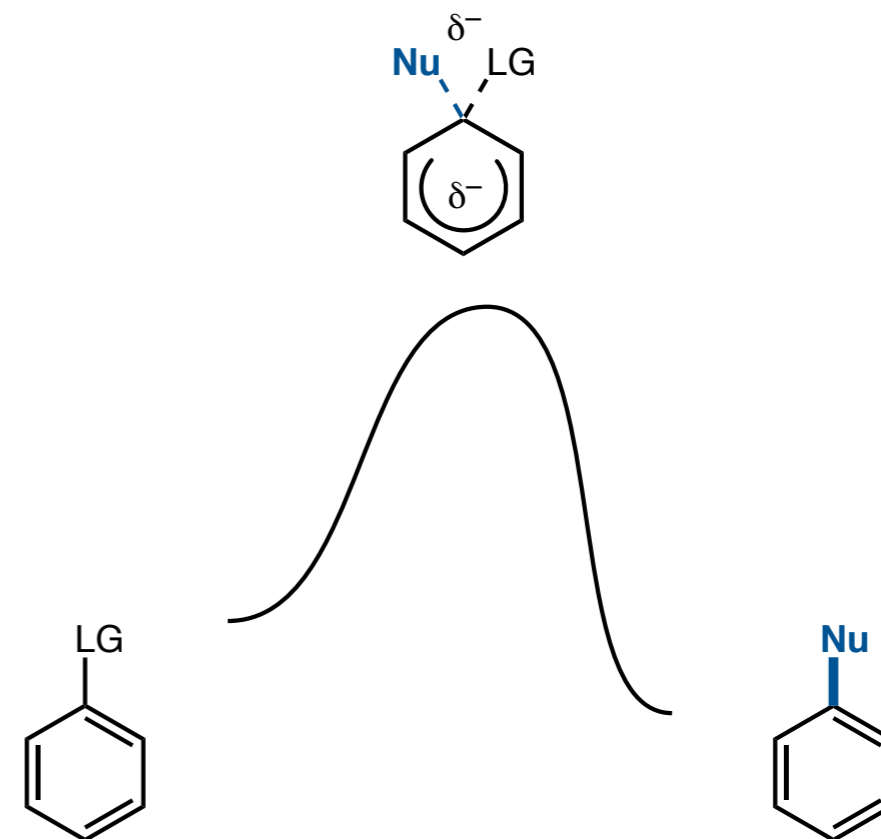
Traditional S_NAr



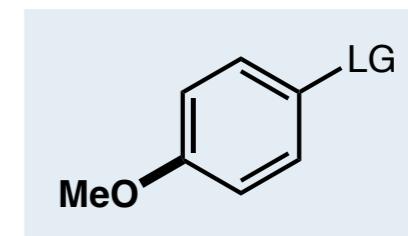
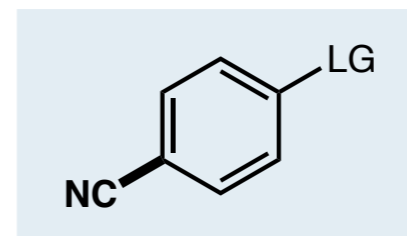
- Well-established stepwise substitution
- Stabilization of TS charge by ring
- High sensitivity to arene substituents



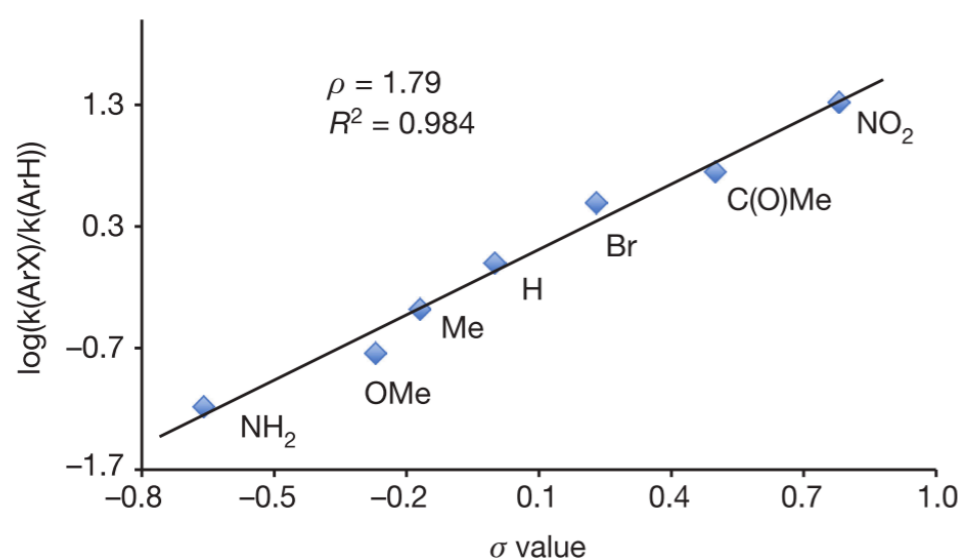
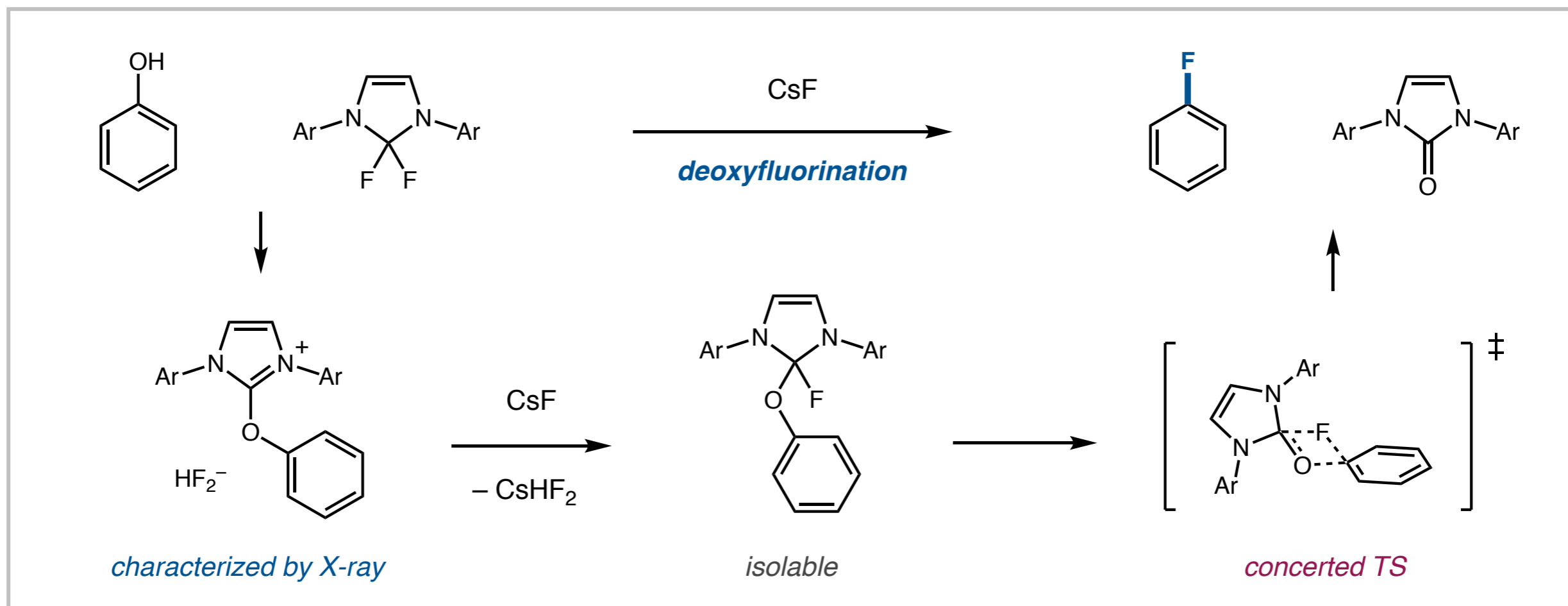
Concerted S_NAr



- Underexplored concerted pathway
- Charge distributed among ring, Nu and LG
- Good tolerance of arene electronics

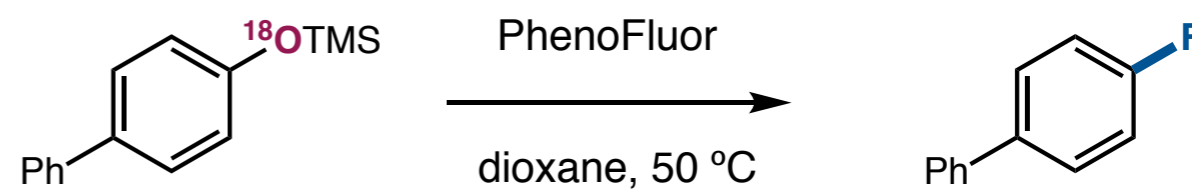


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Negative charge buildup on ring in rds

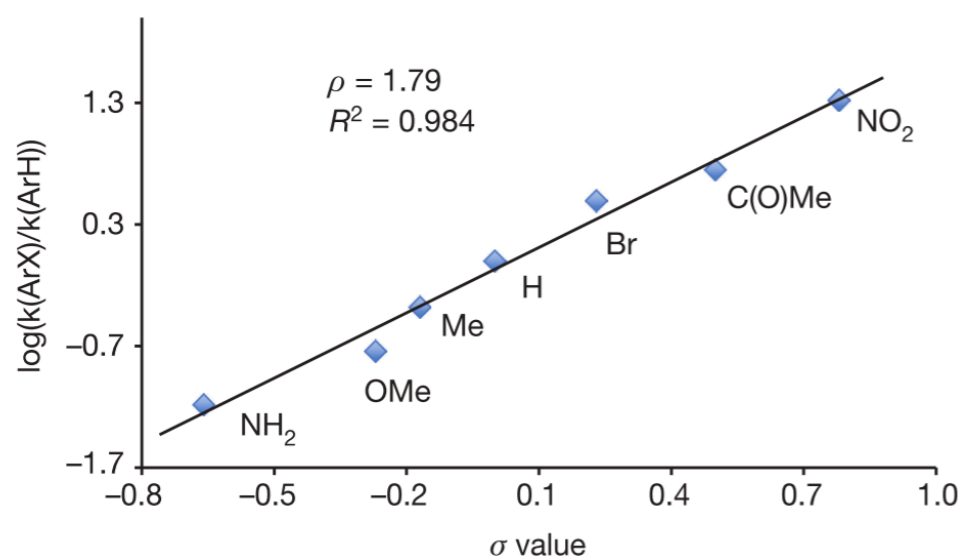
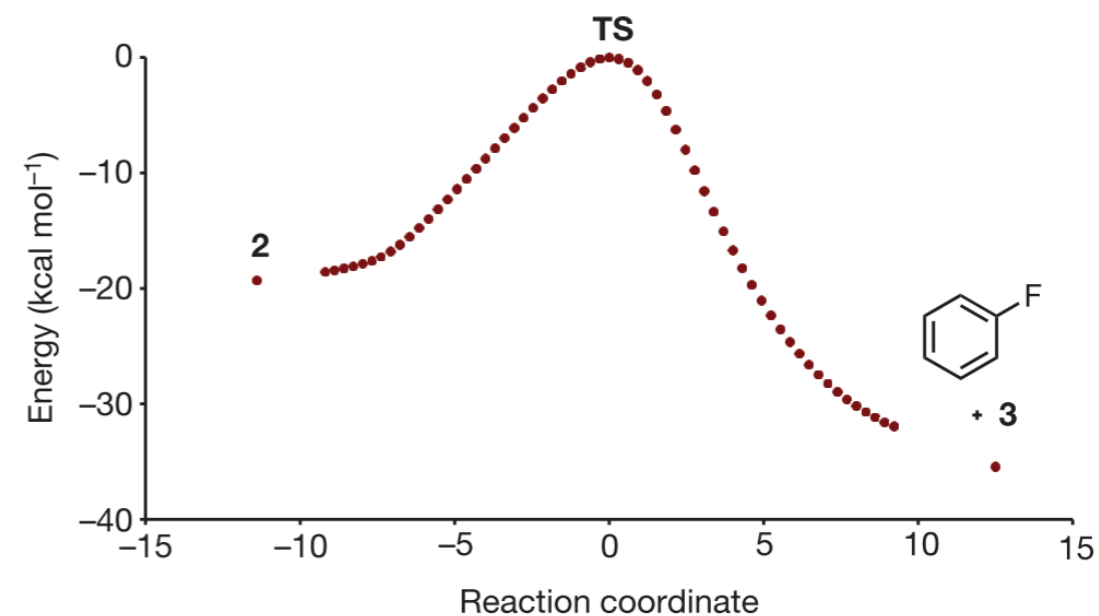
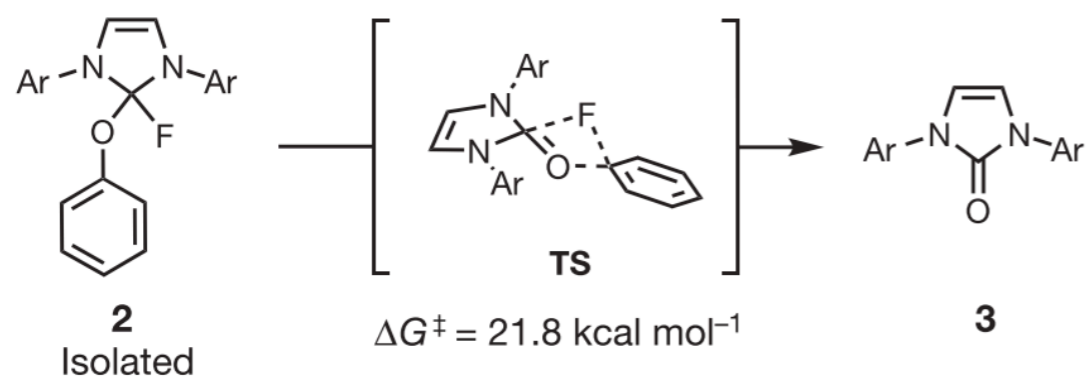
($\rho = 1.8$ vs $\rho = 3-8$ for step-wise $\text{S}_{\text{N}}\text{Ar}$)



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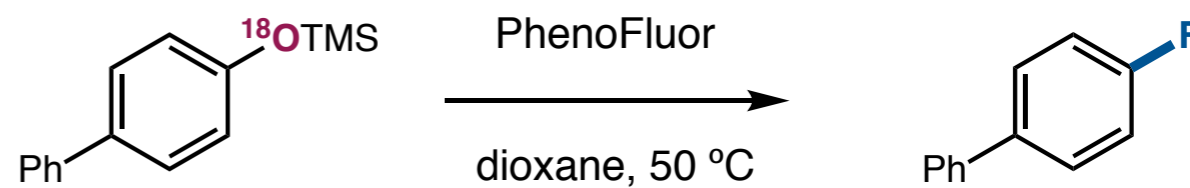
C-O bond cleavage occurs in rds

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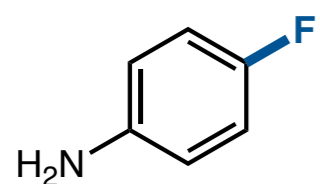
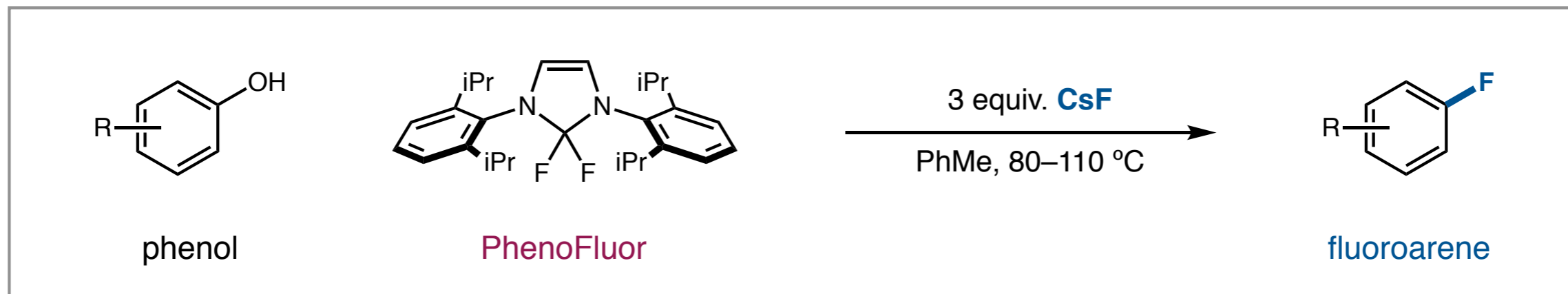
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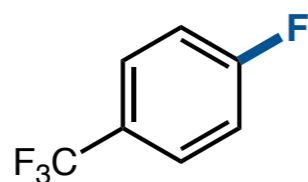
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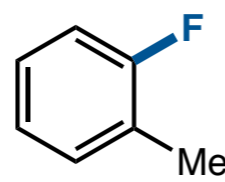
Substrate Scope for Ritter's Deoxyfluorination of Phenols



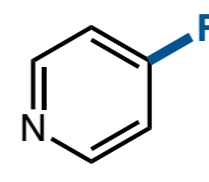
75% yield



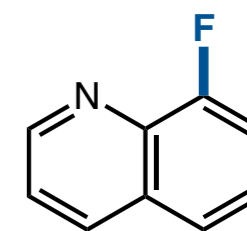
92% yield



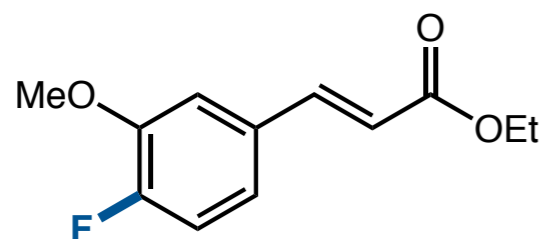
87% yield



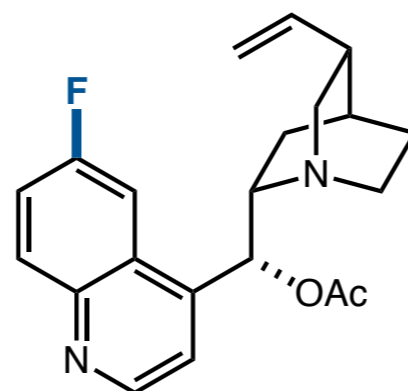
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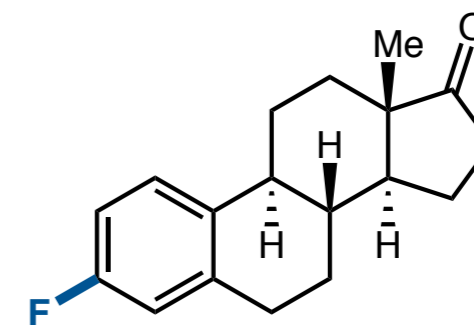
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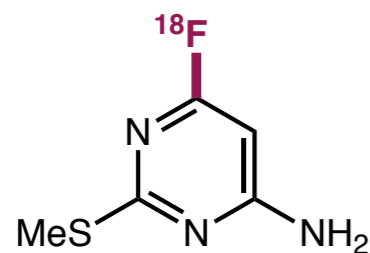
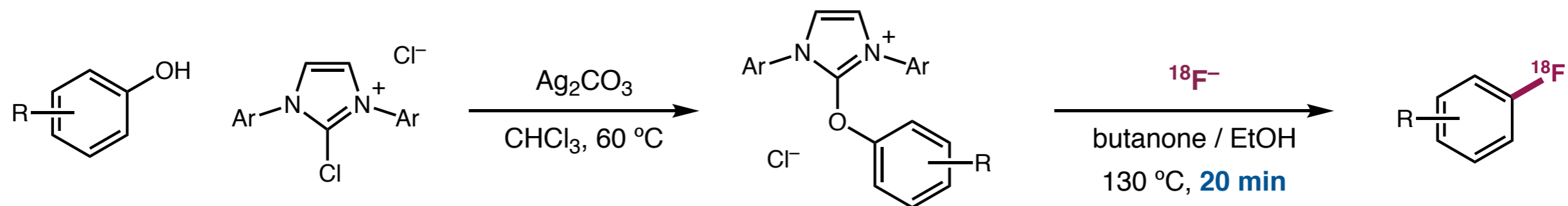


95% yield

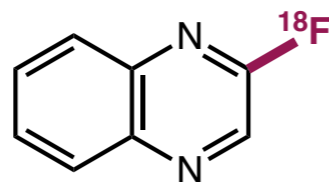


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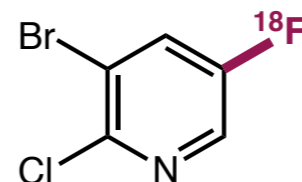
Adaption of Deoxyfluorination For ^{18}F Labelling



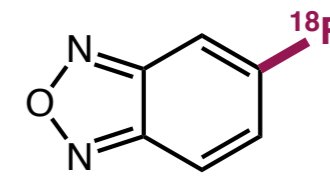
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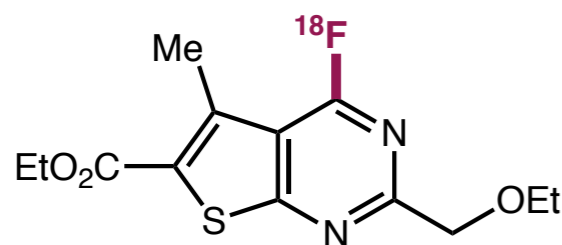
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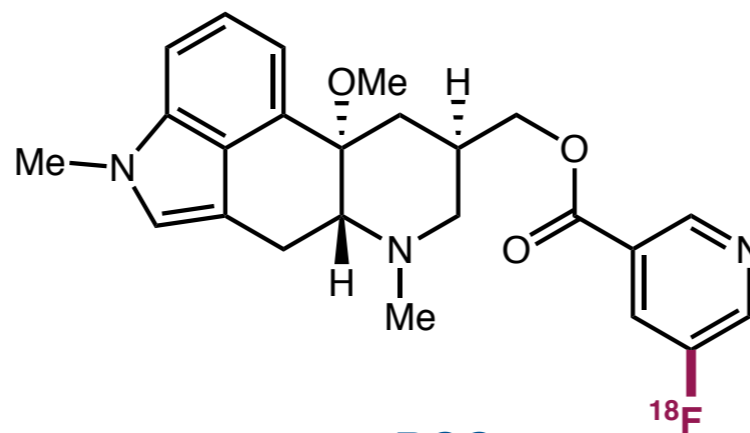
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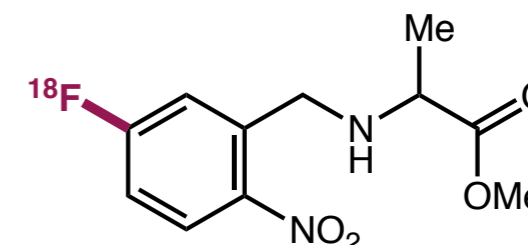
98% RCC
27% isolated RCY



81% RCC



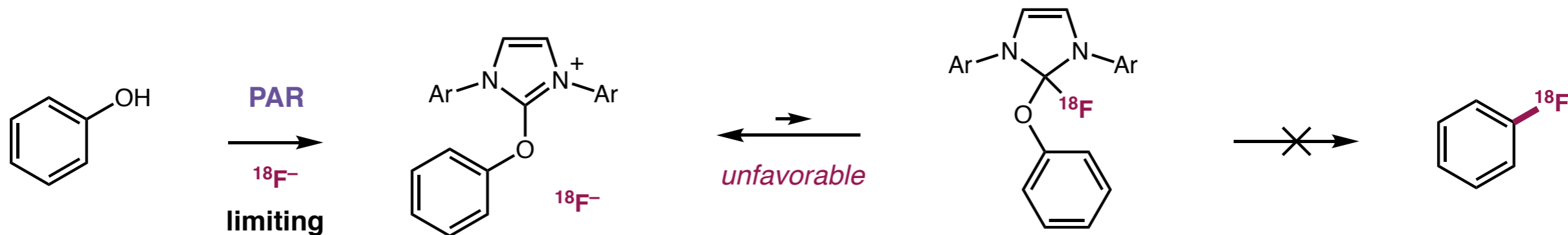
61% RCC



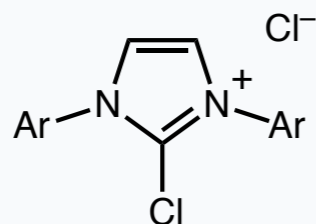
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Problems with ^{18}F Labelling of More Electron-Rich Substrates

Limitation in ^{18}F labelling: electron-rich/-neutral substrates



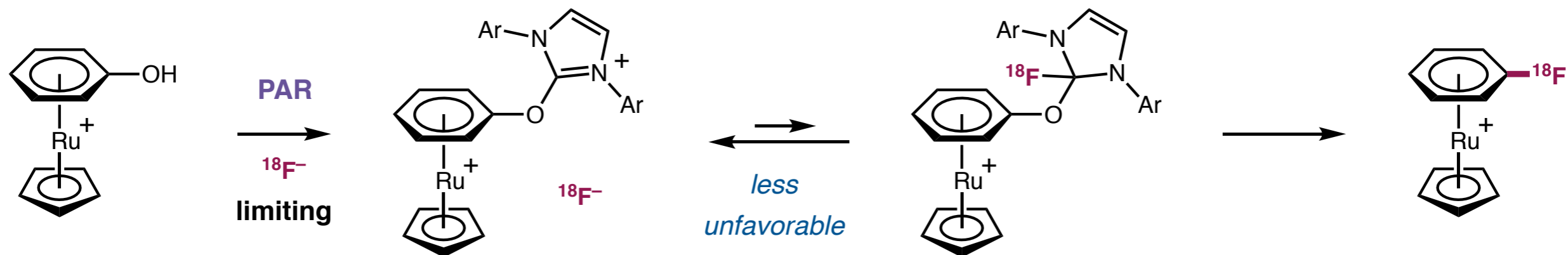
PAR
(phenol activation
reagent)



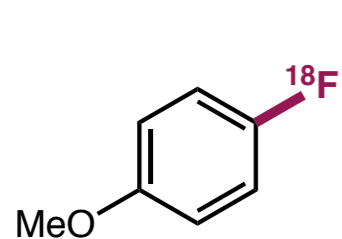
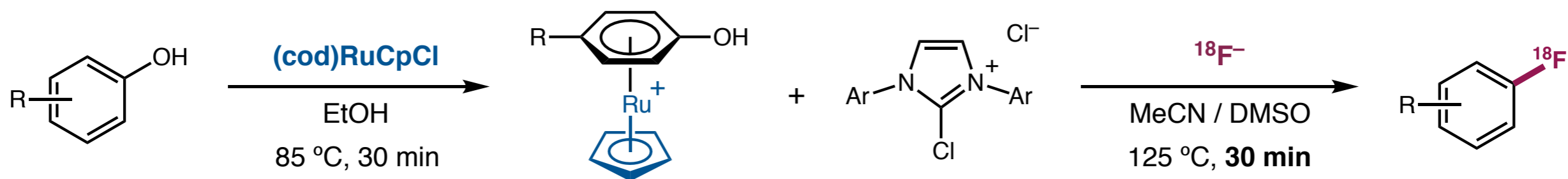
■ More electron-rich substrates do not react sufficiently fast

■ Coordination with CpRu^+ restores a favorable enough equilibrium

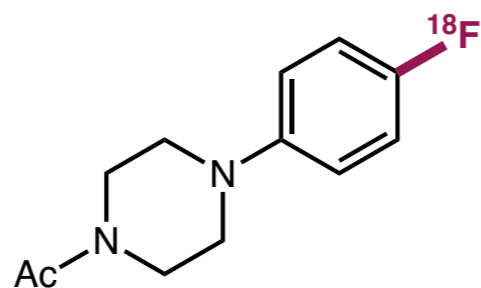
Solution: coordination with CpRu^+ increases electrophilicity



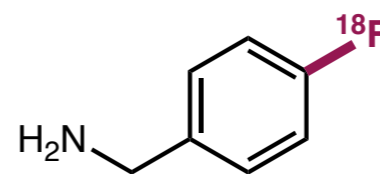
Scope of Improved ^{18}F Labelling of Phenols



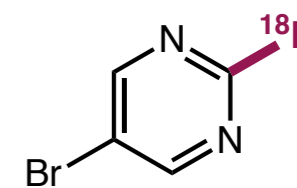
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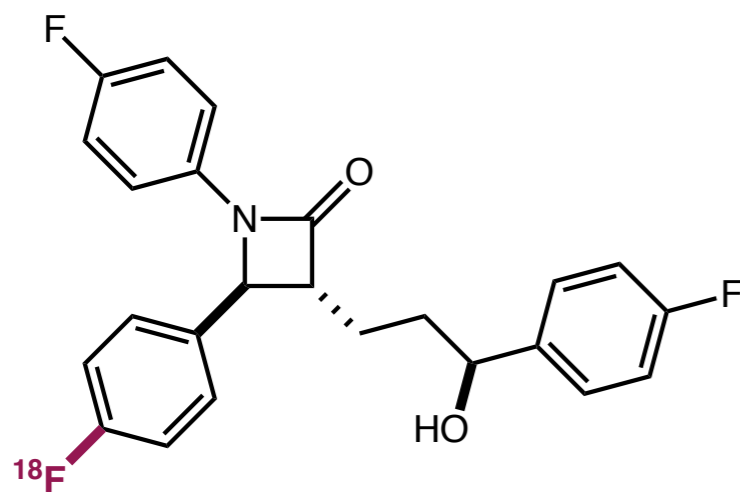
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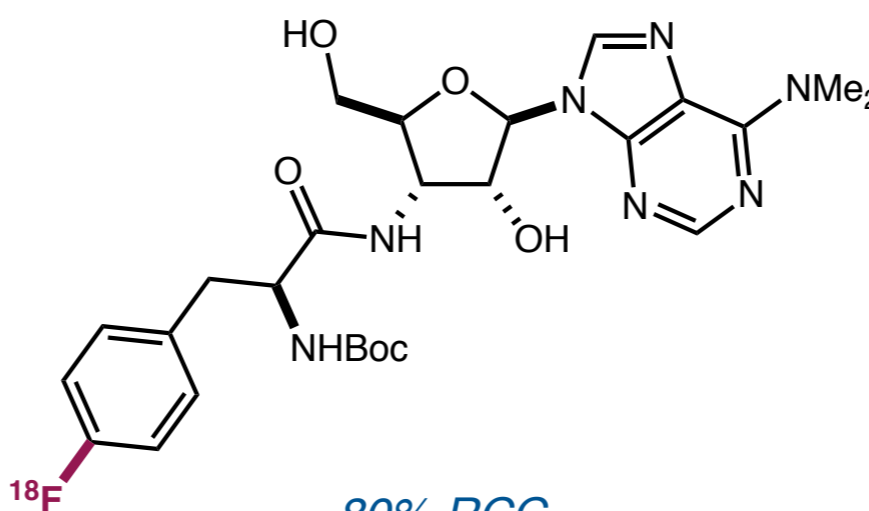
30% RCC



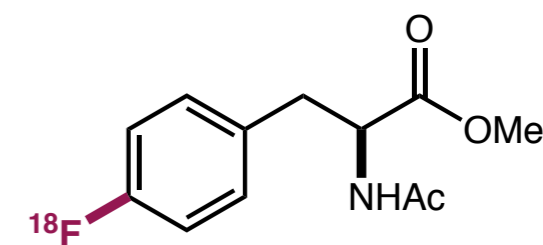
43% RCC



98% RCC



80% RCC



24% isolated RCY

Recent Developments in Nucleophilic Fluorination

Construction of Alkyl C–F Bonds

Nucleophilic substitution promoted by hydrogen bonding

Deoxyfluorination of aliphatic alcohols

Transition metal-catalyzed allylic fluorination

Direct hydrofluorination of alkenes

Metal-mediated aminofluorination of alkenes

Asymmetric hydrofluorination of epoxides

Manganese-catalyzed C–H fluorination

Construction of Aromatic C–F Bonds

Metal-mediated fluorination of arenes

Nucleophilic aromatic substitution of (pseudo)halides

Ritter's S_NAr deoxyfluorination of phenols

