

# **Pinacol-Type Rearrangement: Aptitude and Selectivity of Migration**

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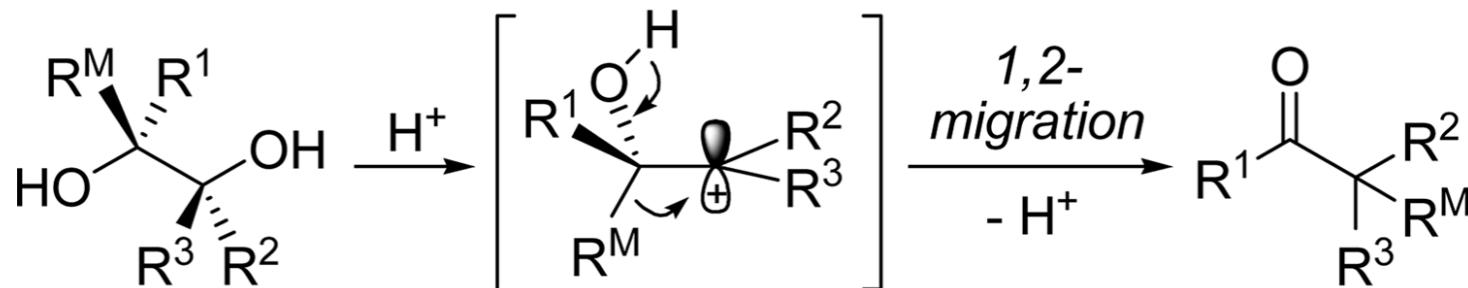
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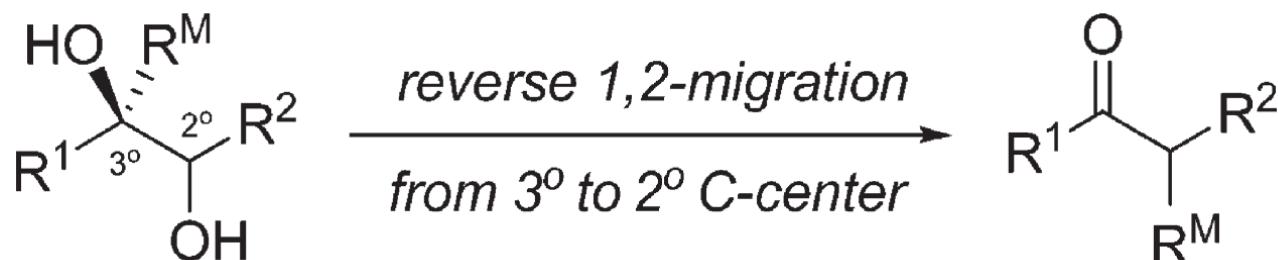
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# Introduction

- Pinacol rearrangement: acid-catalyzed transformation of 1,2-diols to ketones or aldehydes by 1,2-migration of a C-C or C-H bond



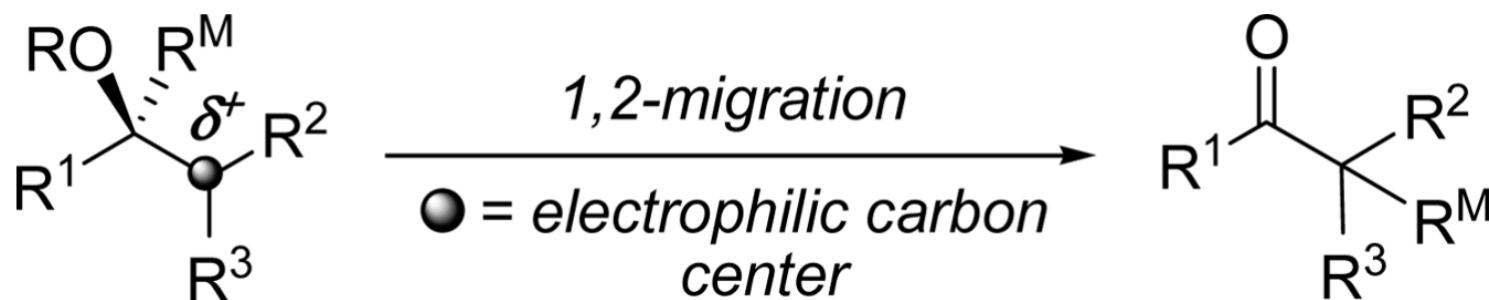
- Original semipinacol rearrangement: reverse migration



*Chem. Rev.* 2011, 111, 7523–7556.

# Introduction

- General description of the pinacol-type rearrangement:  
*Mechanistically, all such processes share a common reactive species in which an **electrophilic carbon center**, including but **not limited** to carbocations, is vicinal to an **oxygen-containing** carbon and can drive the 1,2- migration of a C-C or C-H bond to terminate the process, generating a **carbonyl group**.*



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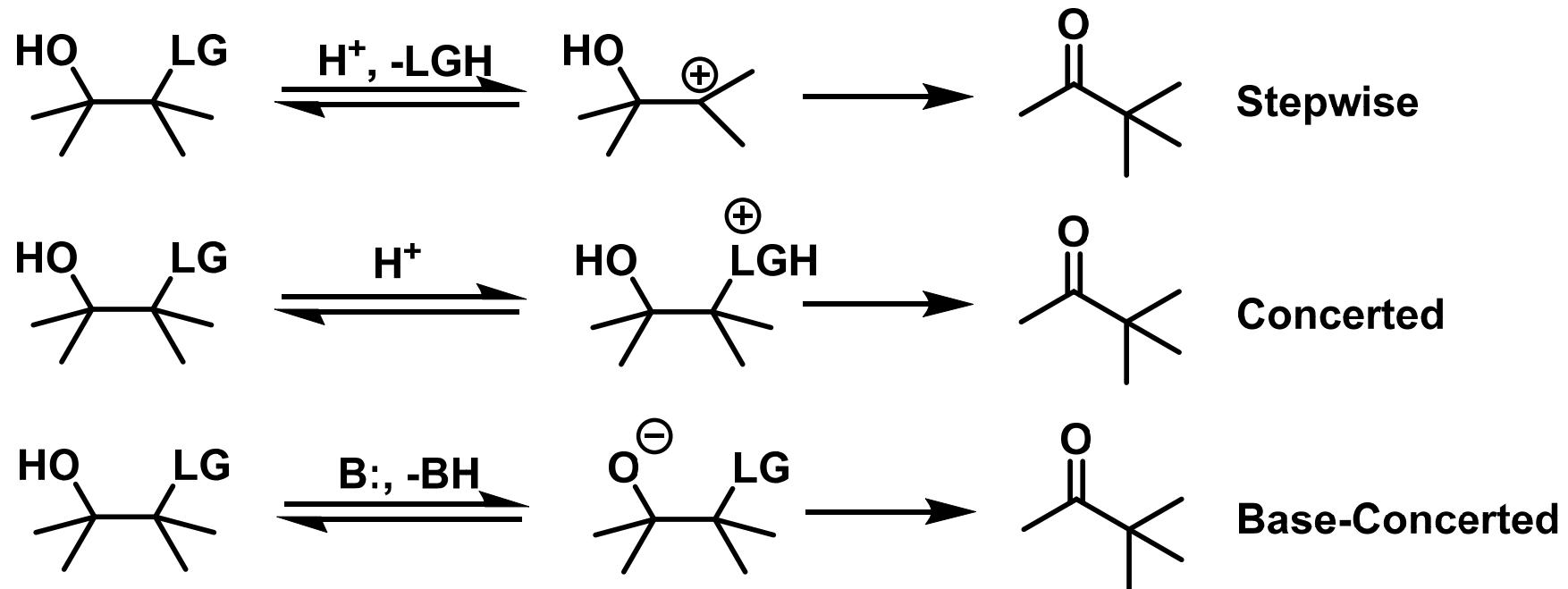
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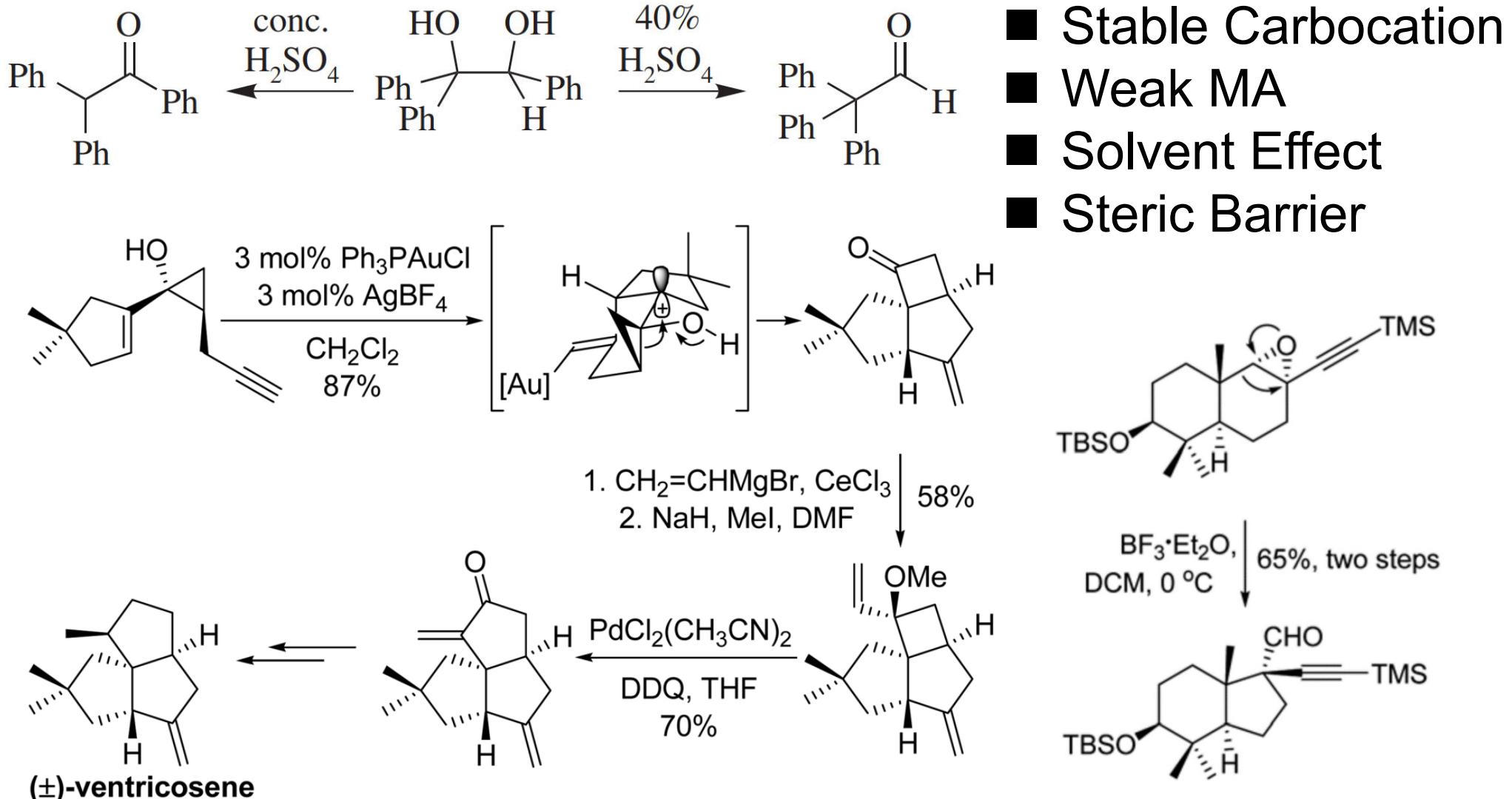
# General Mechanism

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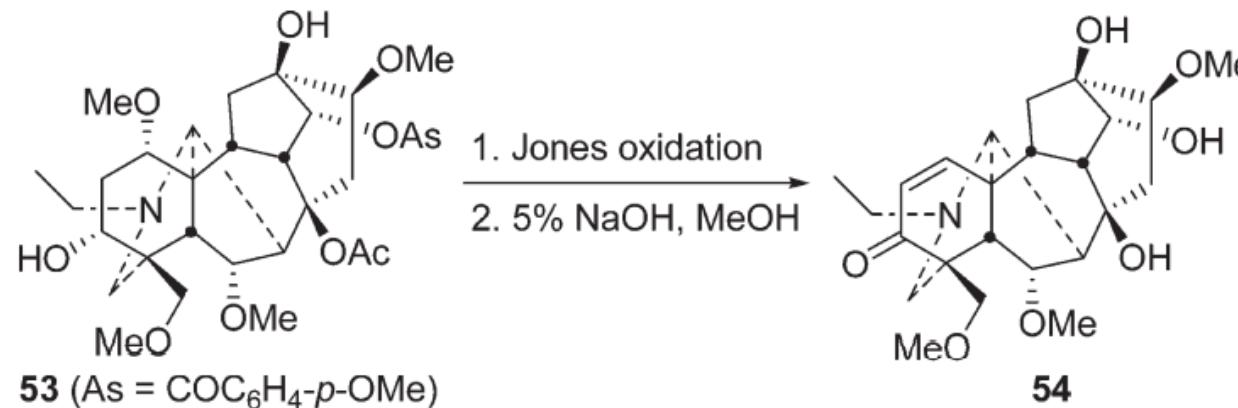


- Types of Mechanism?
- Stereospecificity: **Better Orbital Overlap**
- Migration Aptitude (MA)?

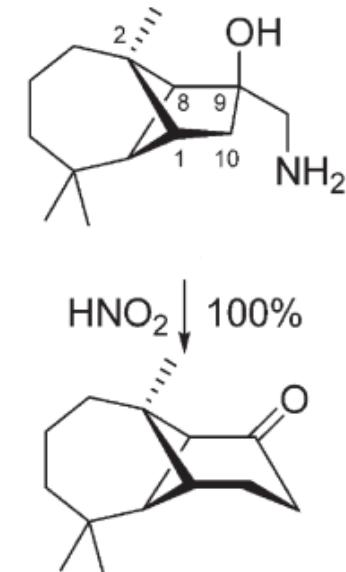
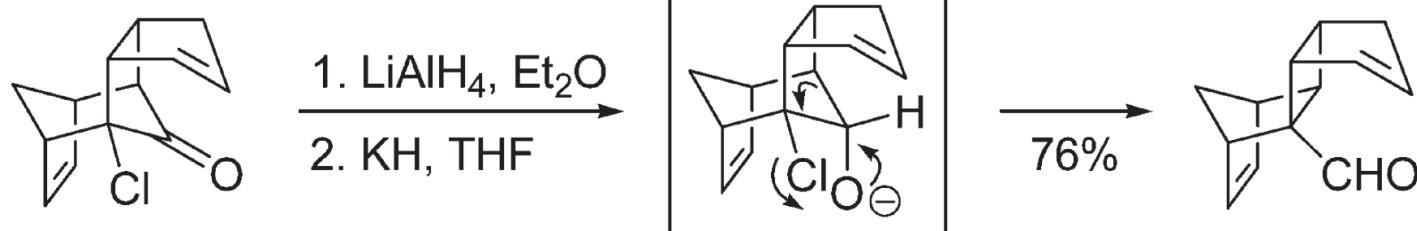
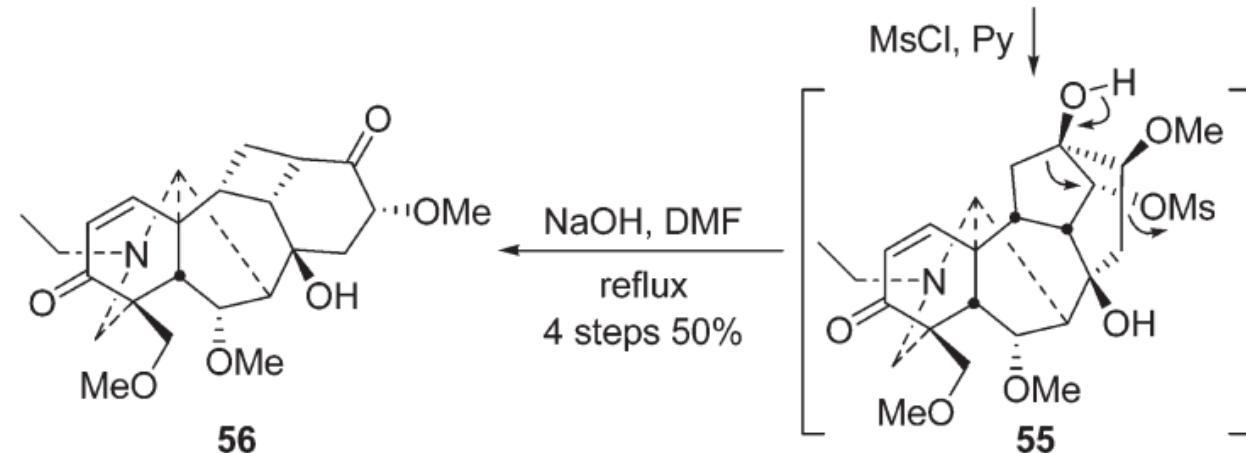
# Stepwise: Stable or Be Forced



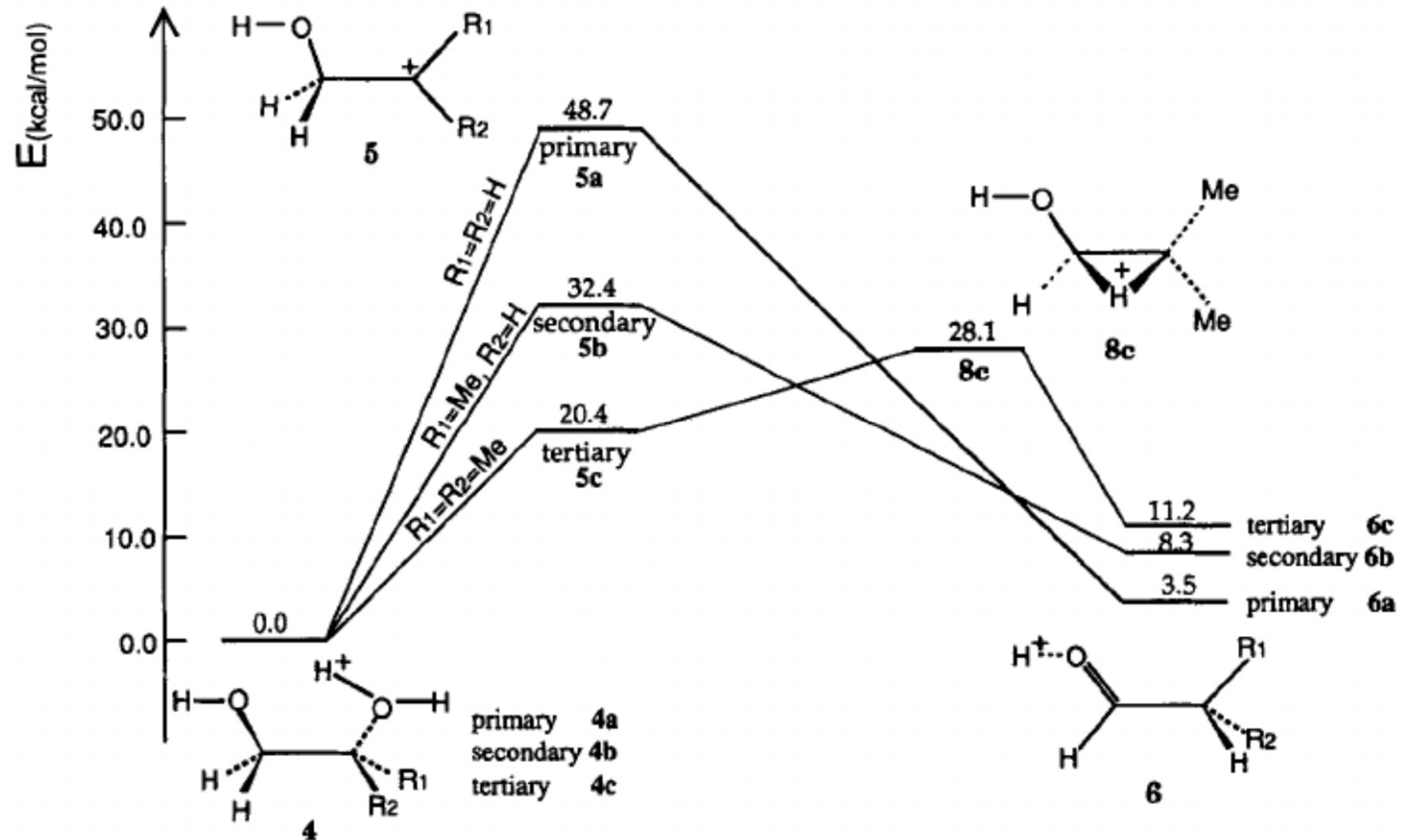
# Concerted: Normal Condition



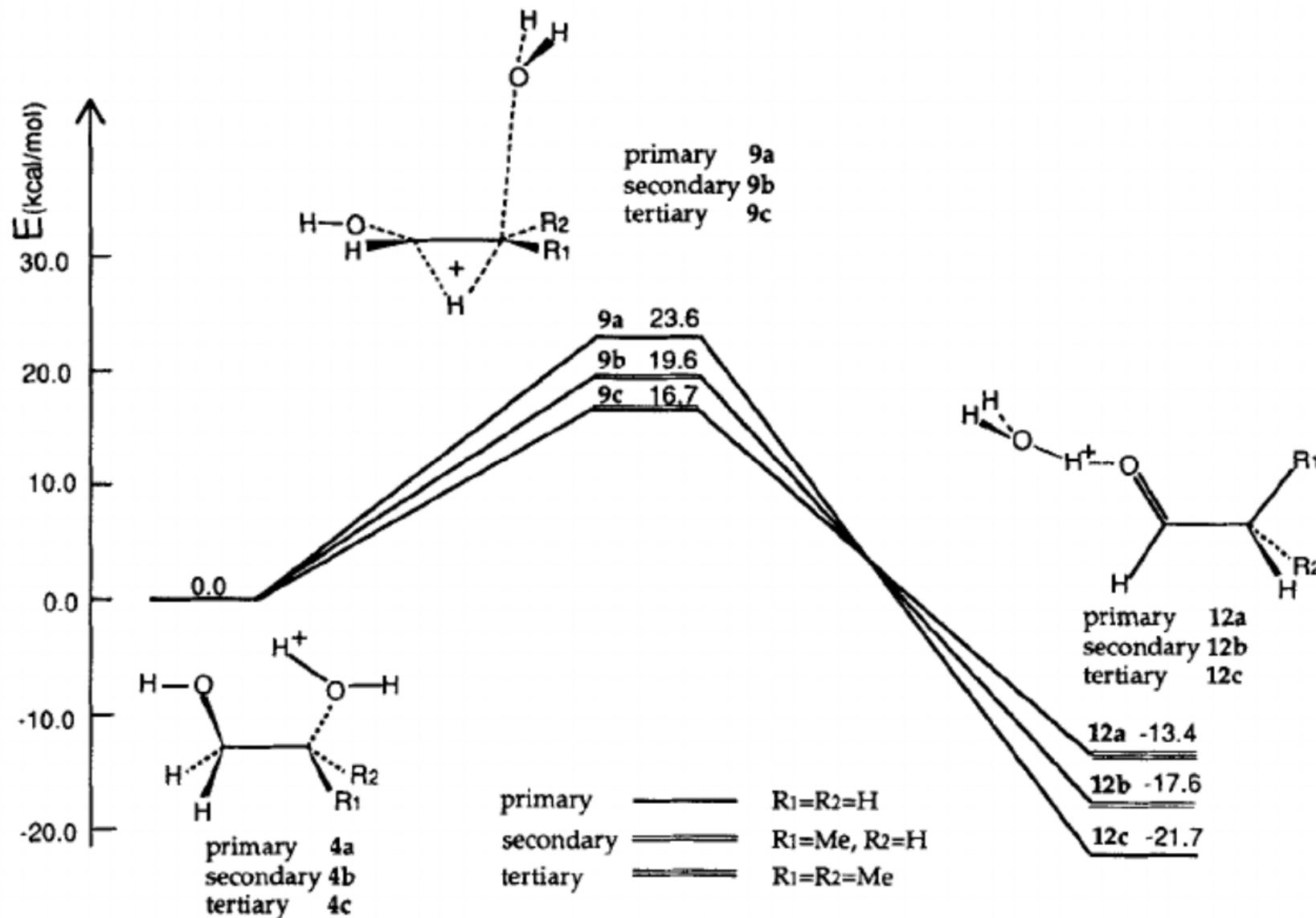
- Normal Pinacol
- Deamination
- Base-Concerted
- No Clear Boundary



# Stepwise vs Concerted: Boundary?



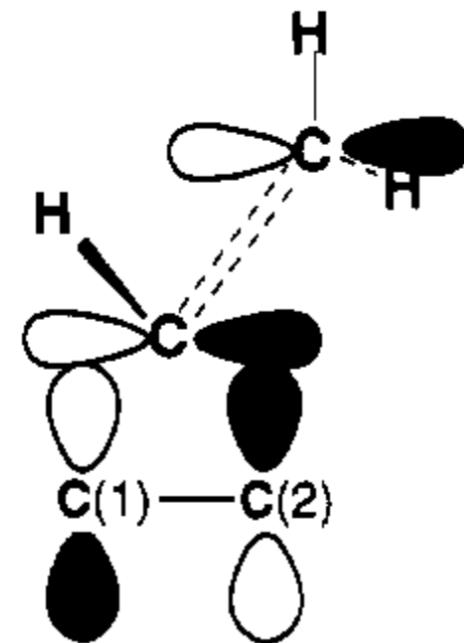
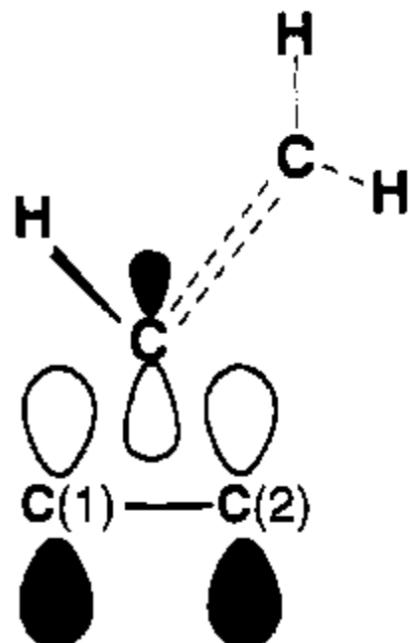
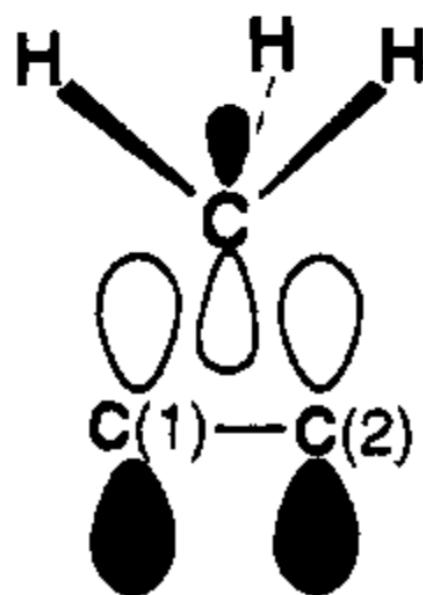
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# General Electronic MA: ERG-Prefer

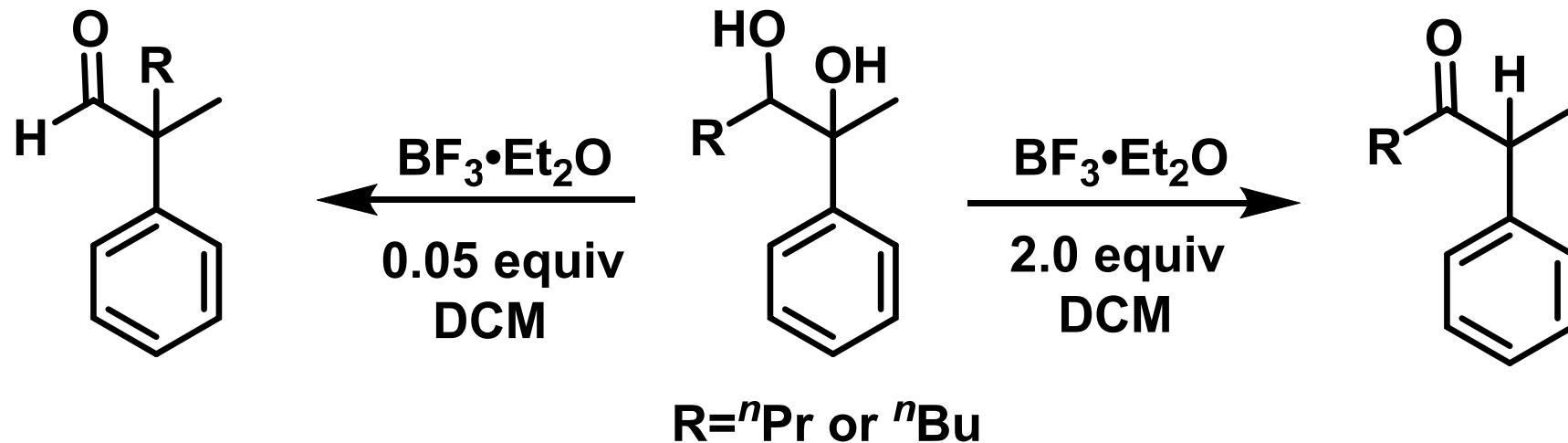
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- Electron-deficient 3c-2e TS: aryl ~ vinyl (alkenyl) > t-Bu  
  >> 2° alkyl > 1° alkyl

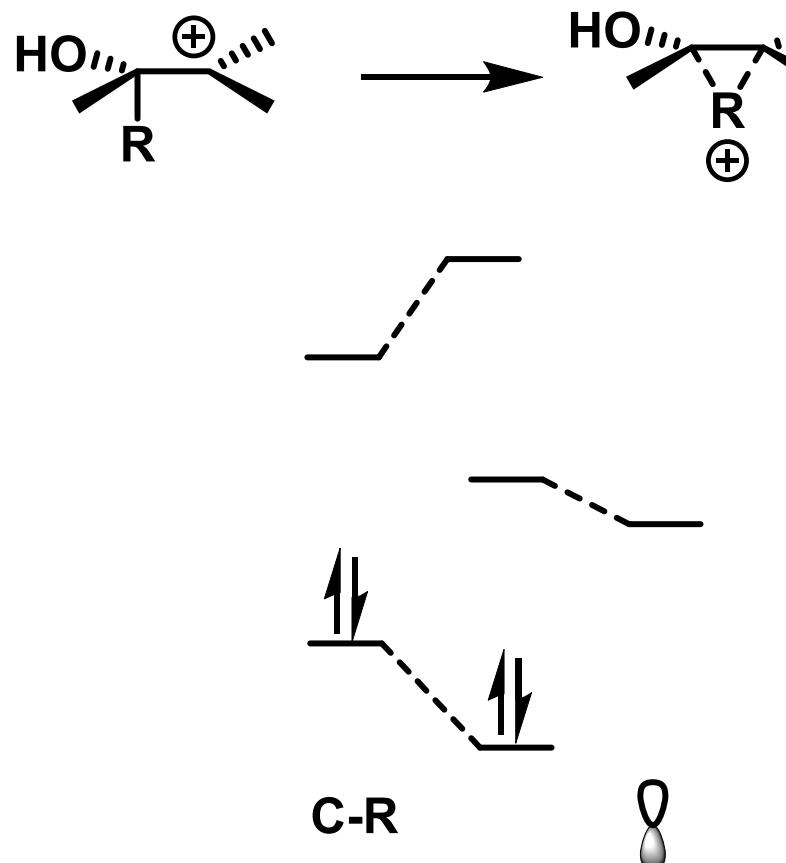


# Electronic MA: Hydrogen?

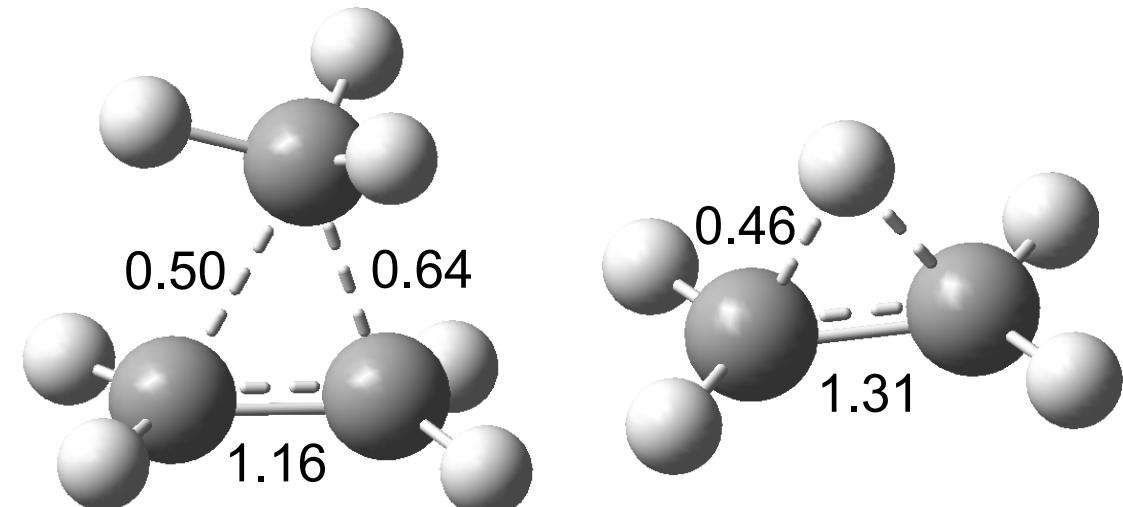
- Electron Donating Ability (Hyperconjugation): H-C > C-C
- MA should be: aryl ~ vinyl (alkenyl) > H ~ t-Bu >> 2° alkyl > 1° alkyl
- Other factors?



# Hyperconjugation ~ Migration?



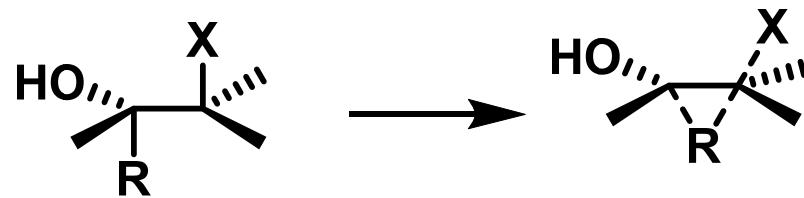
■ Meyer Bond Order Analysis:



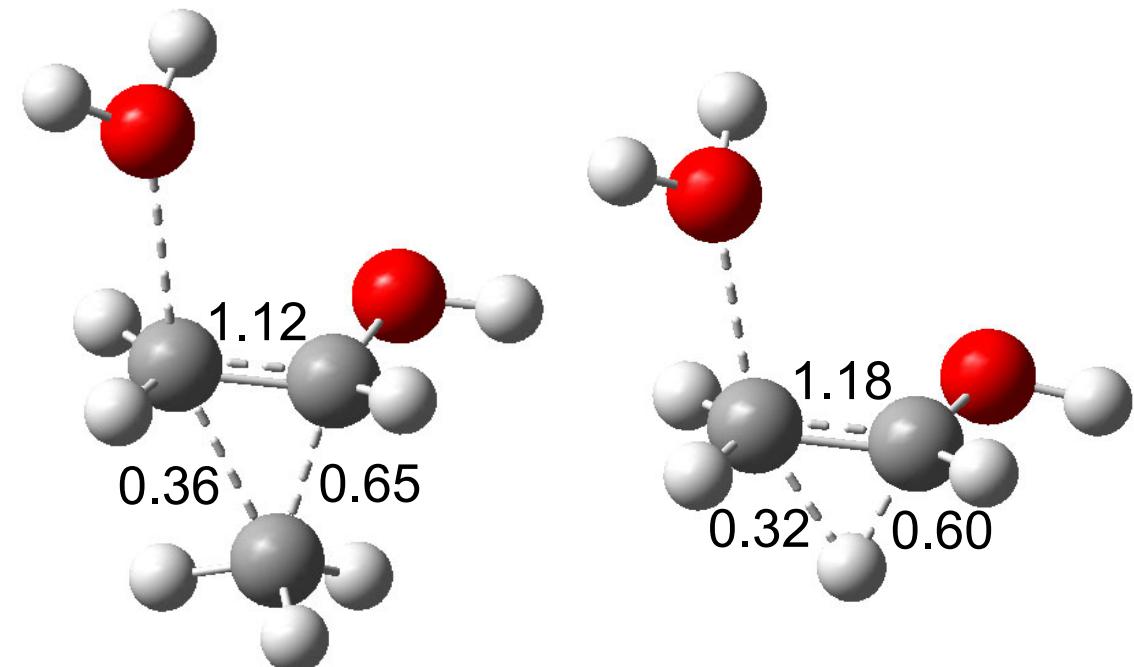
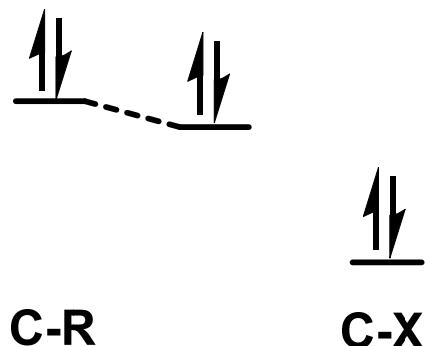
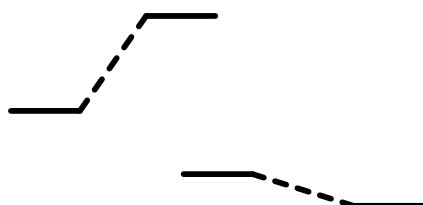
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- Alkene-Complex; No Energy Barrier
- Energy Proximity: **H-shift**
- Alkene Stability: **H-shift**

# Concerted: Energy Gap Increase

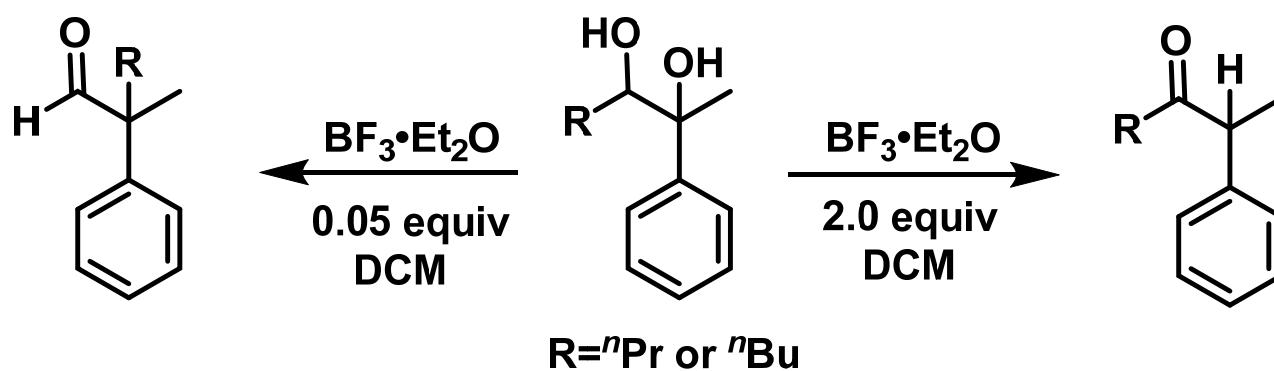


- Advantages of Alkyl?
- EP or Overlap: Wax and Wane
- Overlap: Coefficient and Dispersion

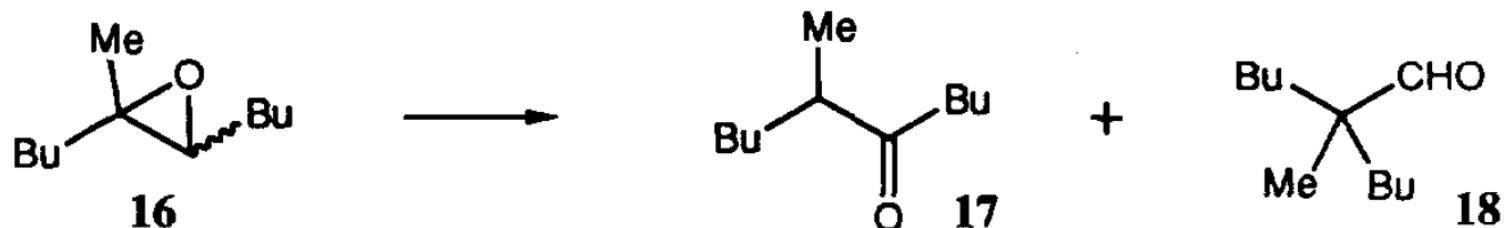


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# Concerted: Make Allyl First?

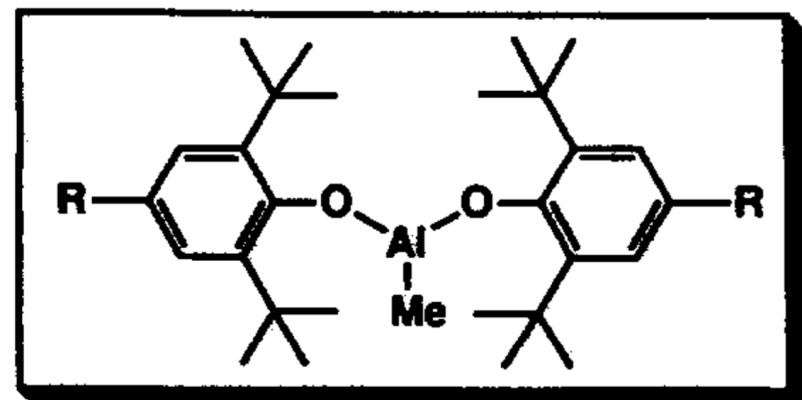
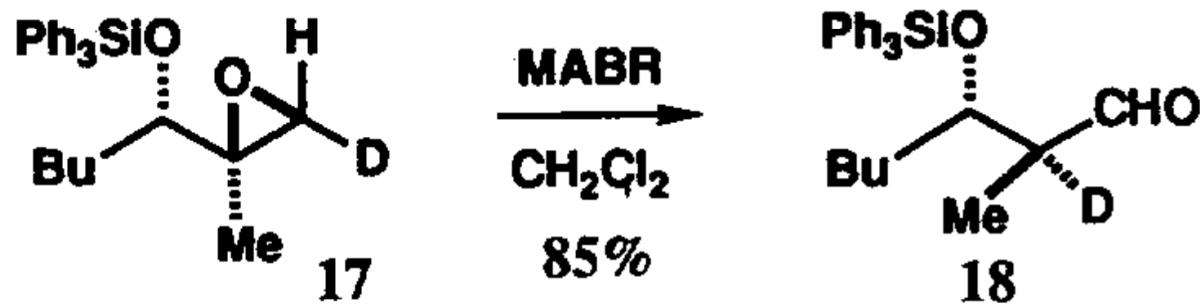
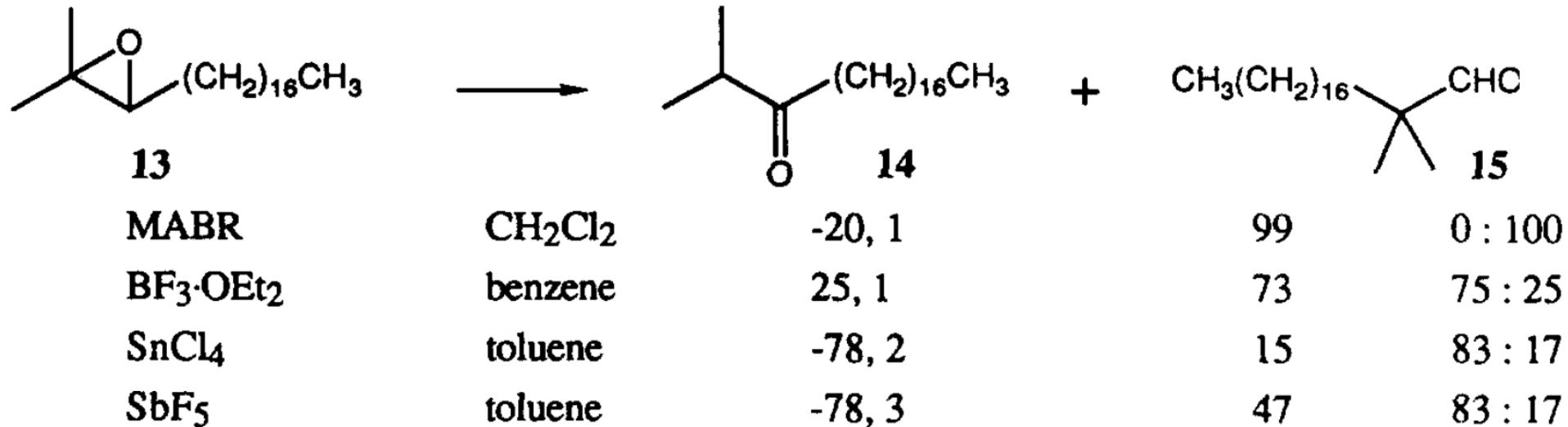


- Leaving Group
- Hydroxy Group
- Solvent
- Normal Concerted
- MA: Me < H < Alkyl



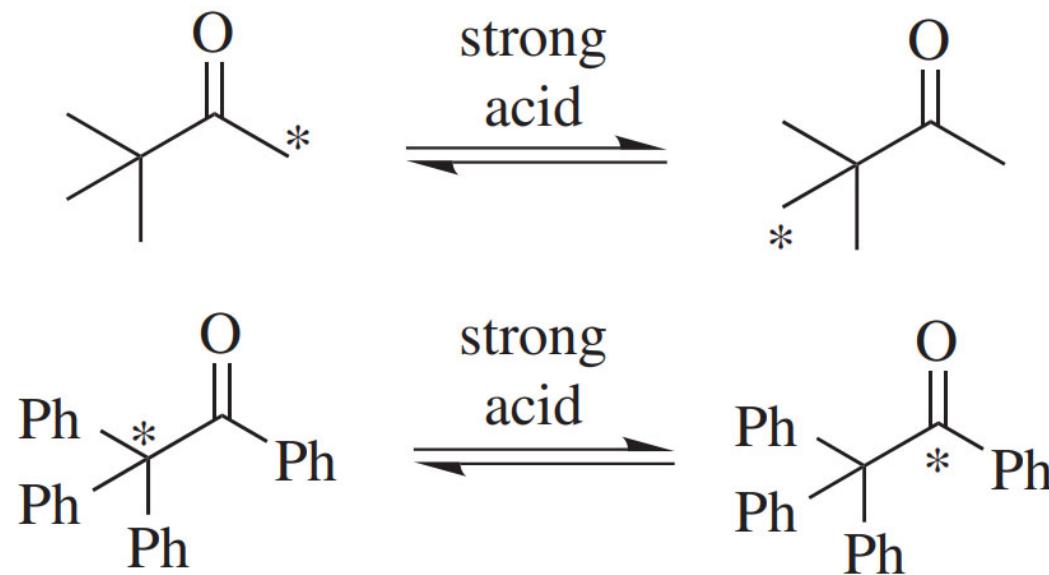
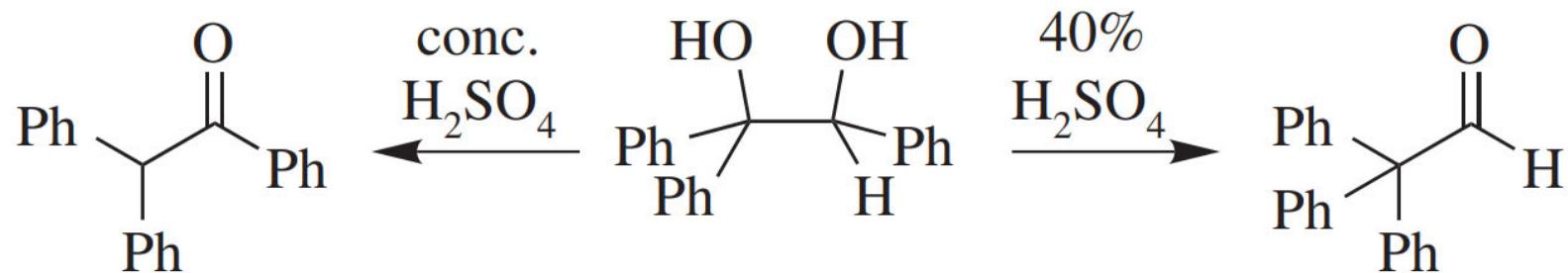
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$\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$	benzene	25, 2	77	70 : 30
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# Other Factors: Steric Effect



**R = Me : MAD**  
**R = Br : MABR**

# Other Factors: Thermodynamic

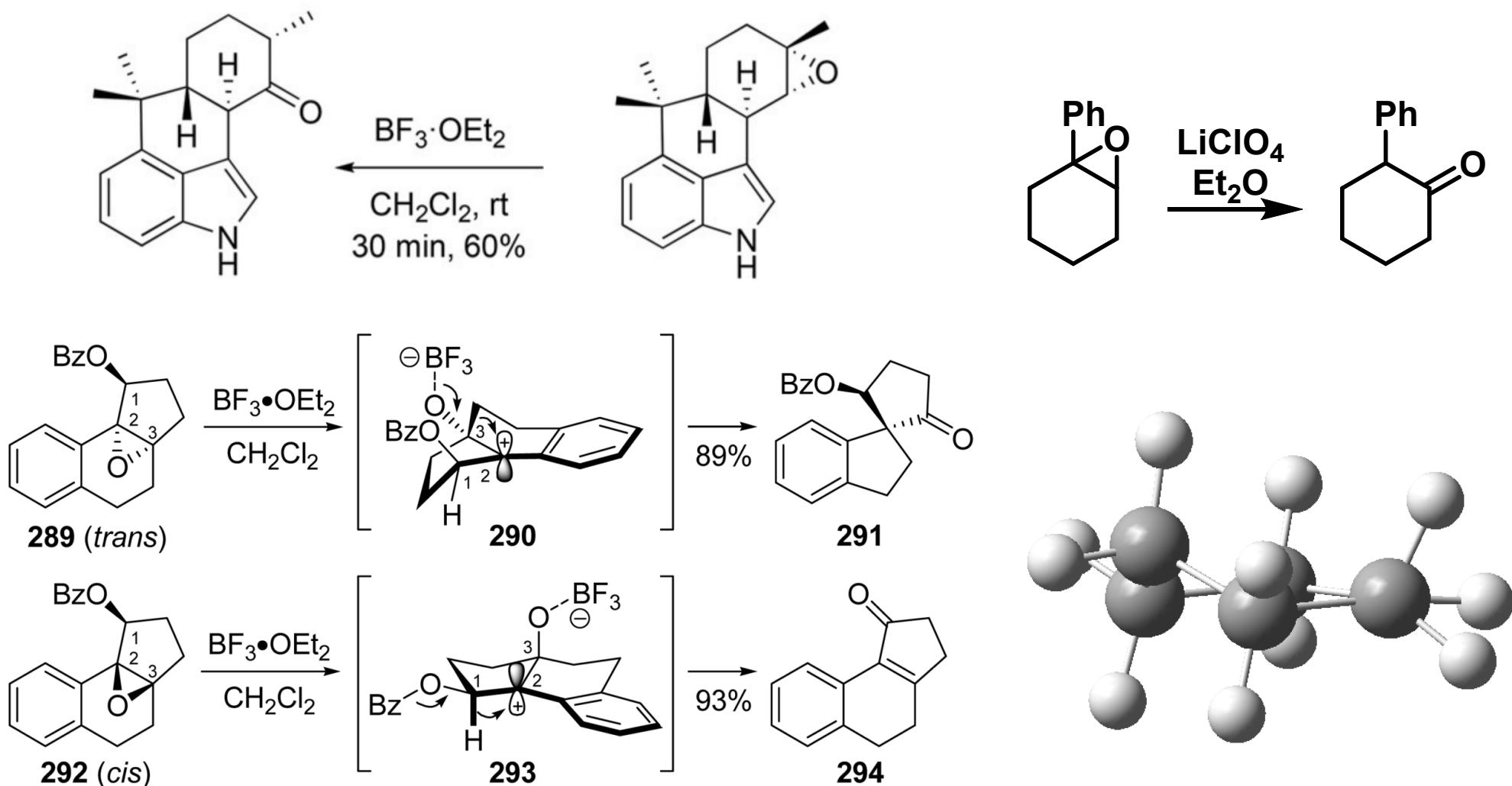


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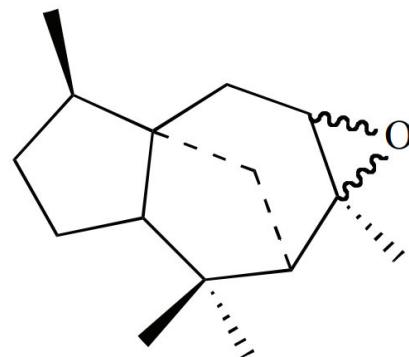
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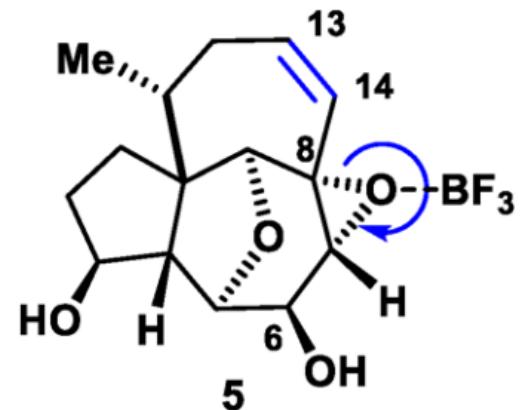
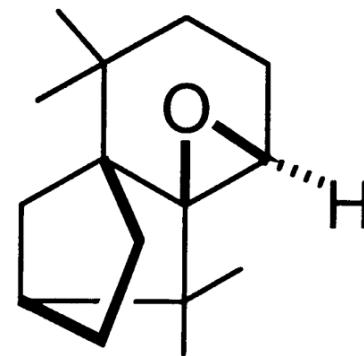
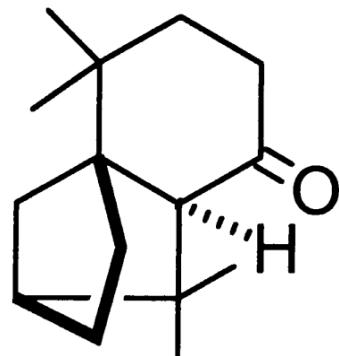
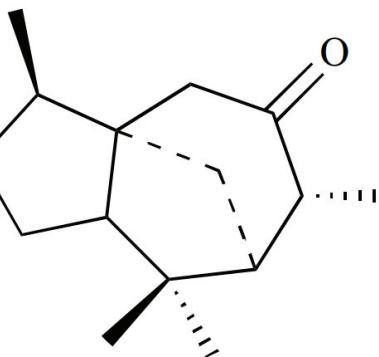
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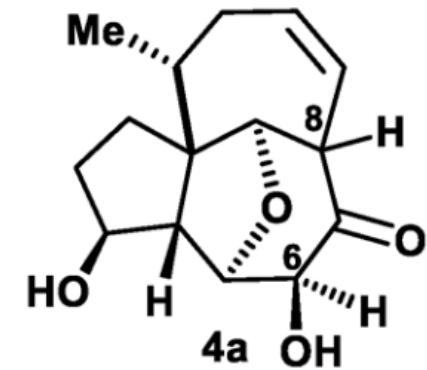
# Rigidity Restriction: Bridged Ring



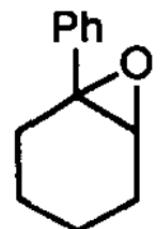
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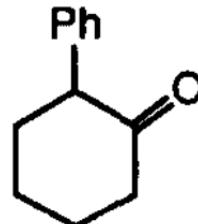
$\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$       DCM      25 °C      60%



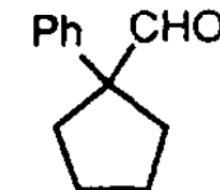
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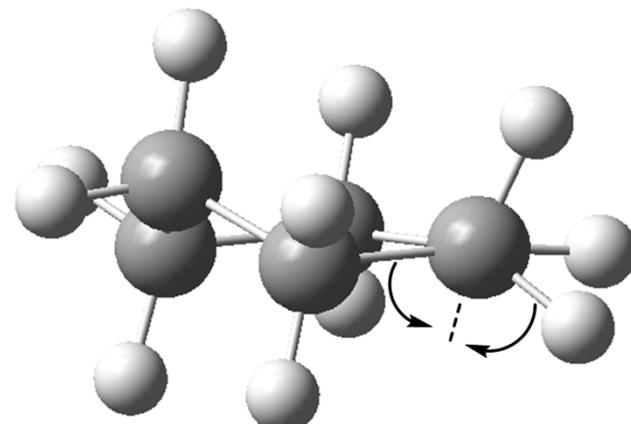
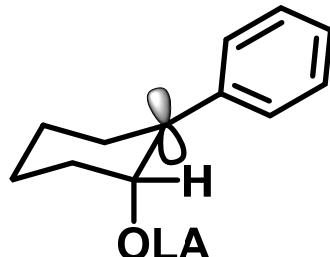
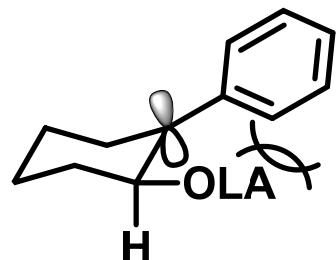


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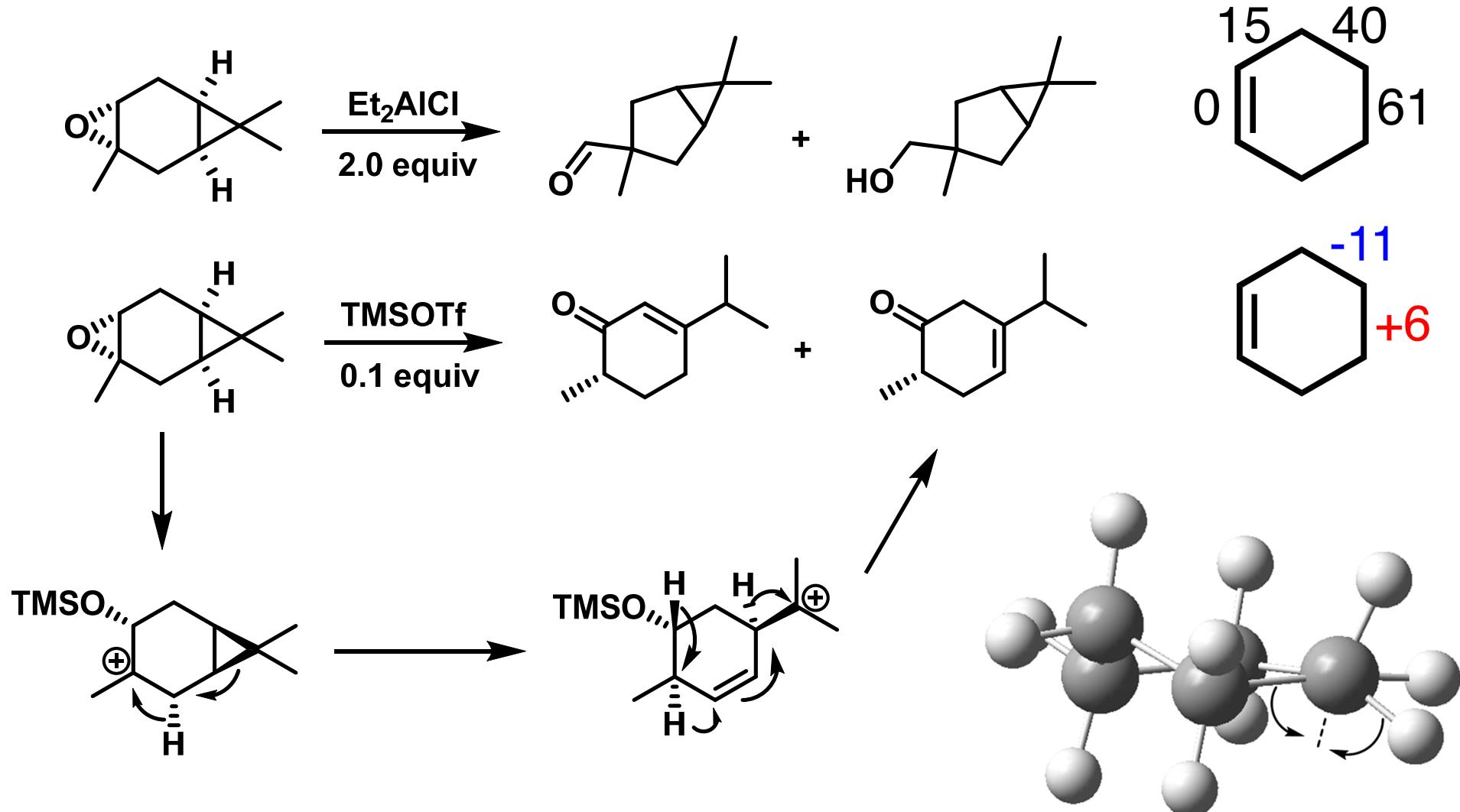


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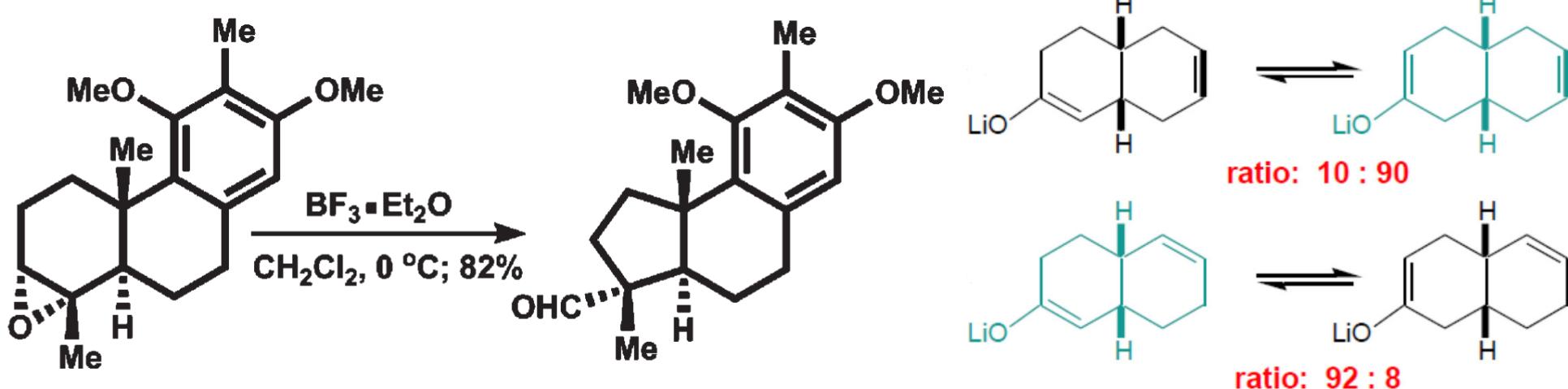
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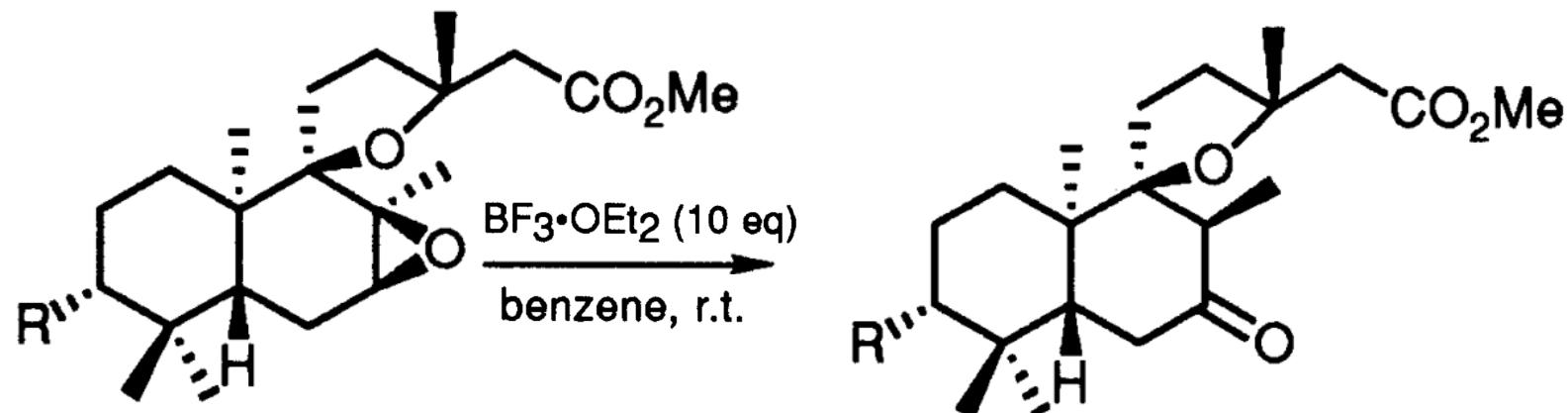
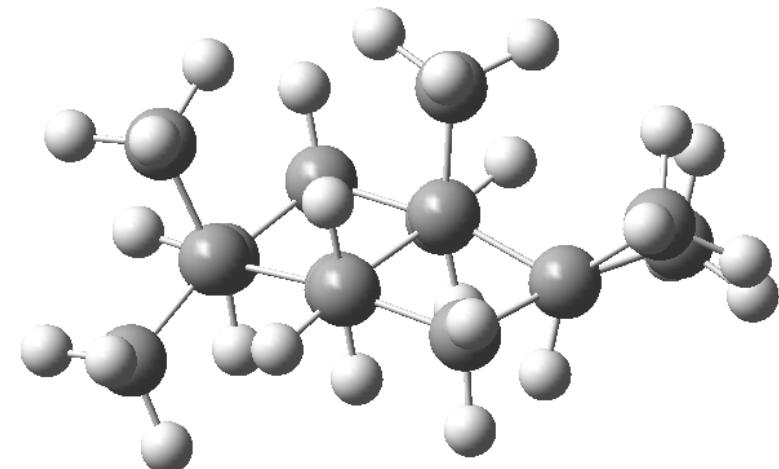
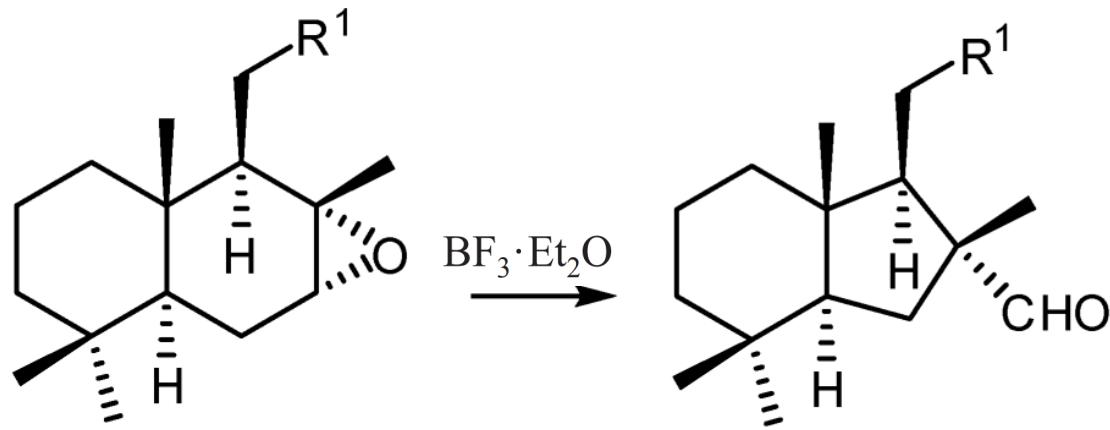
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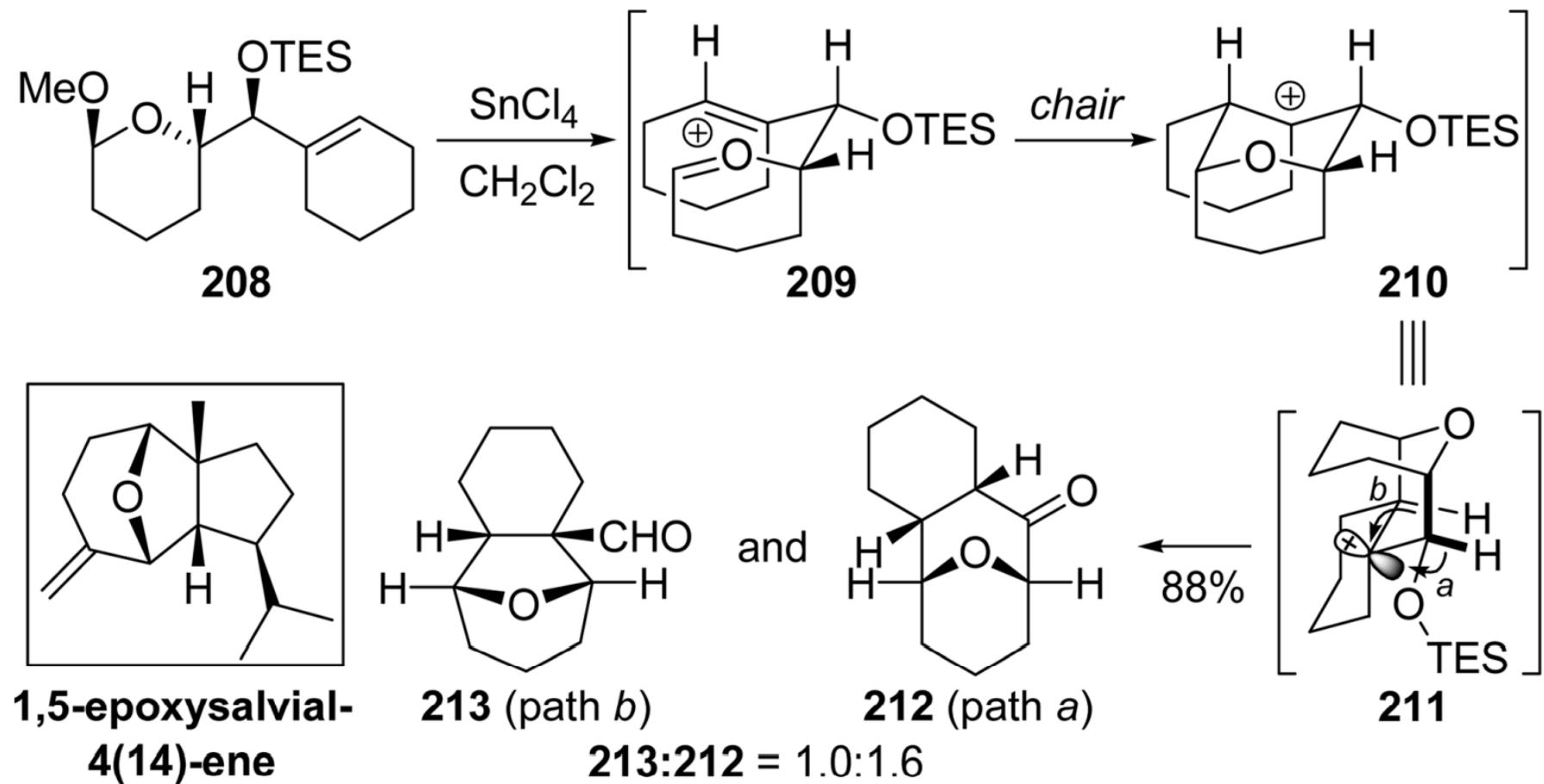
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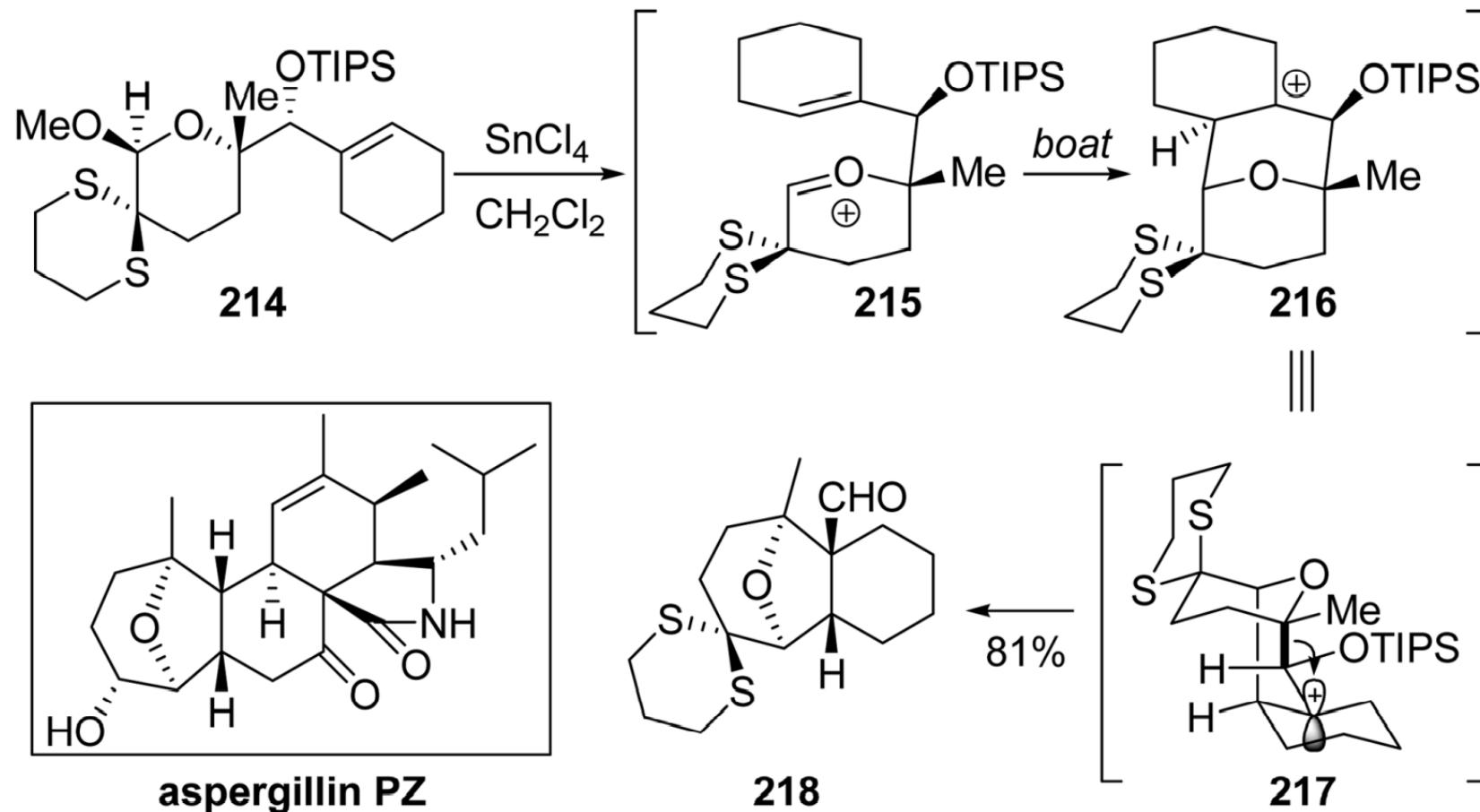
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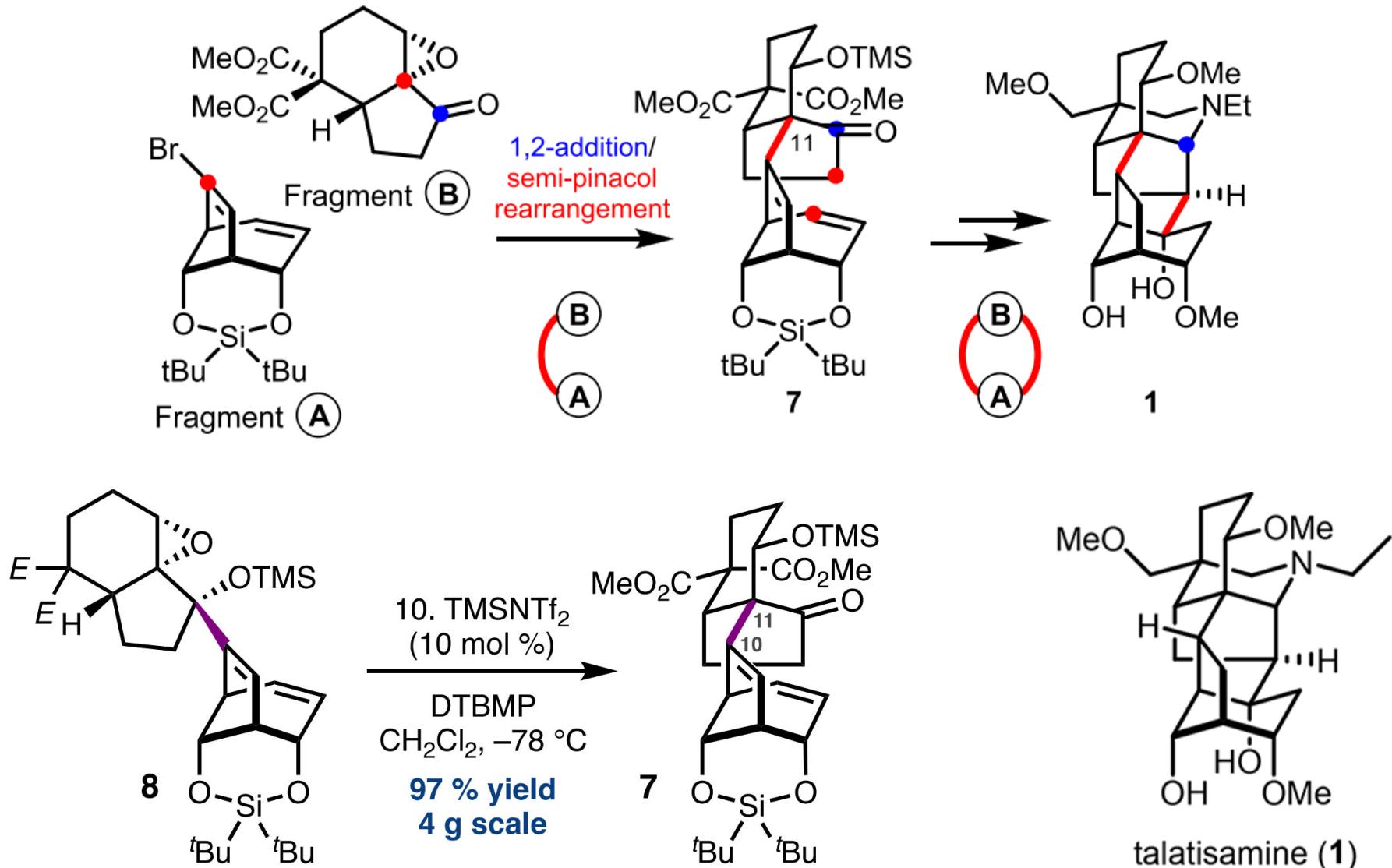
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# Talatisamine: Fragment Coupling



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- Mechanism: Stepwise and Concerted
- Migration Aptitude: Electronic and Steric
- Electronic MA: Better ERG and Better Overlap
- H vs Allyl: ERG vs Overlap in Different Mechanisms
- Six-Membered Rings: Factors are Complex, Subtle and Changeable
- Key: Be Perpendicular to Carbocation Easier
- Important Method of Skeleton Construction of Natural Products
- **Analyze Factors, Compare Differences and Adjust Strategies**