

Vinyl Cations



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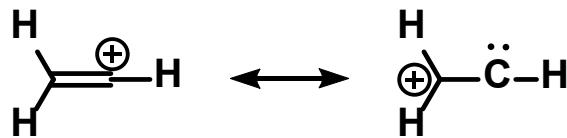
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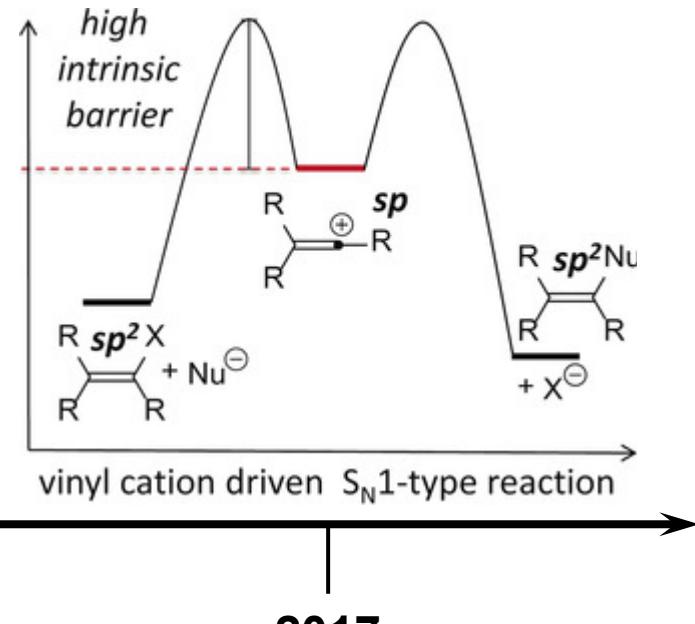
Selected Milestones of Vinyl Cation

First proposed by
Jacobs and Searles
1944



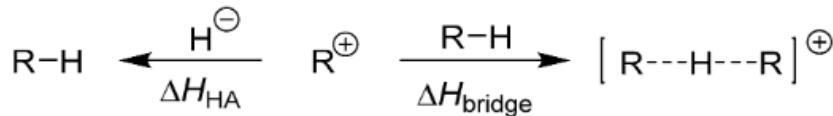
Kollmar and Smith first
predicted its carbene-like
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1972

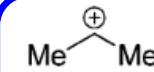
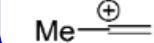
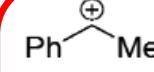
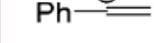
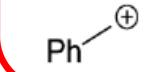
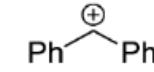
1964
Grob and co-workers
provided the first proof for
vinyl cations with a
solvolytic reaction of aryl vinyl
halides



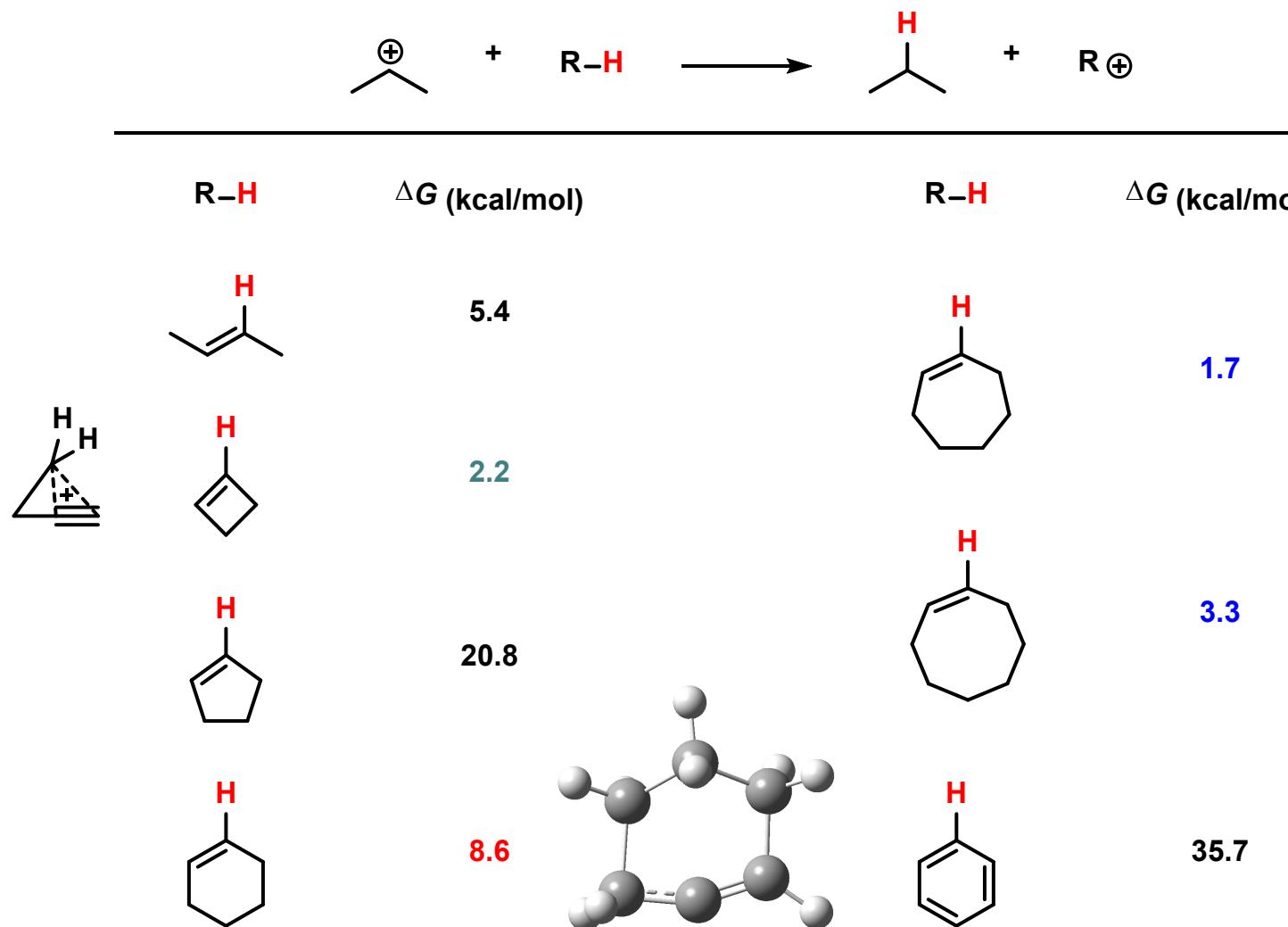
2017
Mayr and co-workers
revealed that vinyl cations are
sluggish electrophiles

Stability of Vinyl Cation



Entry	R^+	ΔH_{HA}^a	Calculated Quantities ^b			
			ΔH_{HA}^b	ΔG_{HA}^b	$\Delta H_{\text{bridge}}^b$	$\Delta G_{\text{bridge}}^b$
1		-251.8	-259.3	-251.8	-18.5	-8.1
2		-264.9	-272.4	-264.2	-14.9	-2.9
3		-225.1	-234.5	-228.0	-12.2	+0.3
4		-239.7	-247.5	-240.1	-3.8	+8.2
5		-239.3	-246.8	-240.6	-12.9	-1.9
6		-	-220.9	-212.8	-8.0	+3.3

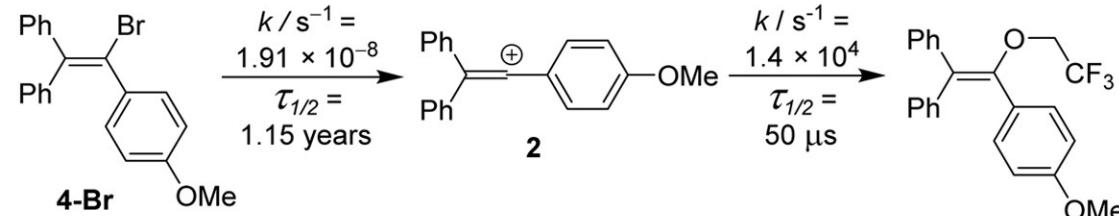
Ring Tension of Cyclic Vinyl Cations



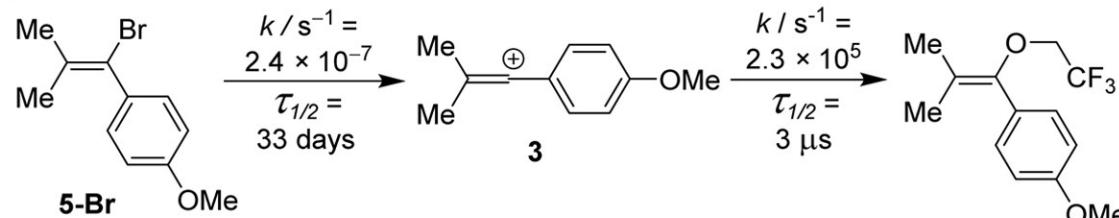
Solvolytic Reactions of Vinyl Cations



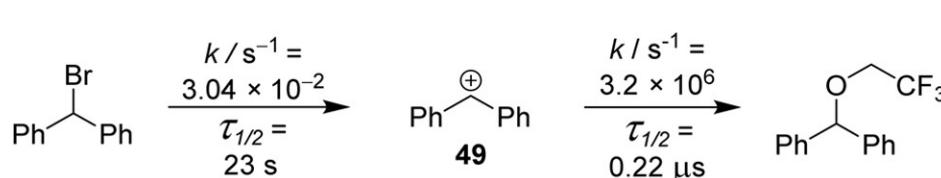
(a)



(b)



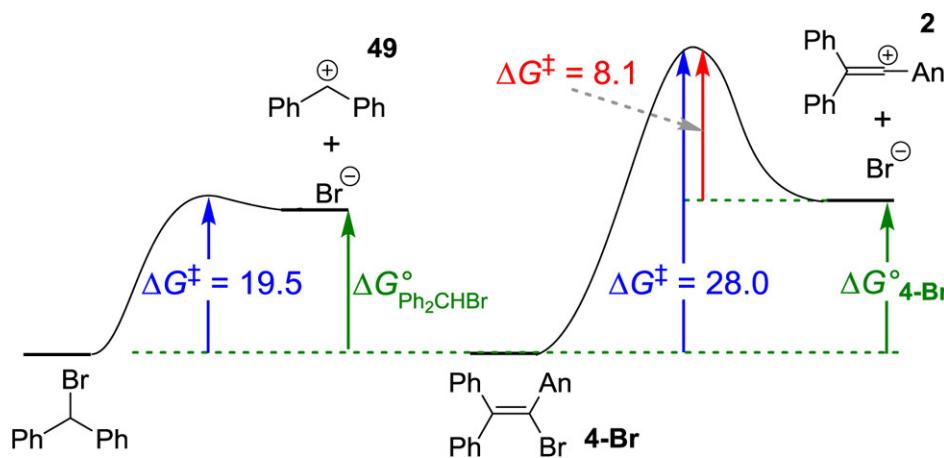
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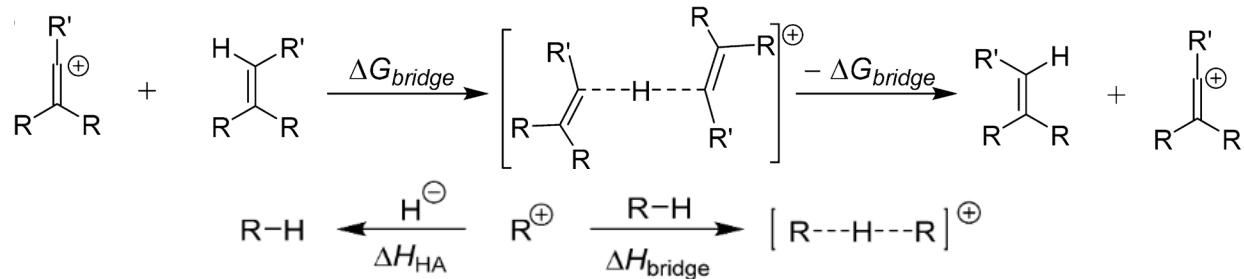
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Addition to Vinyl Cation: Activation Control

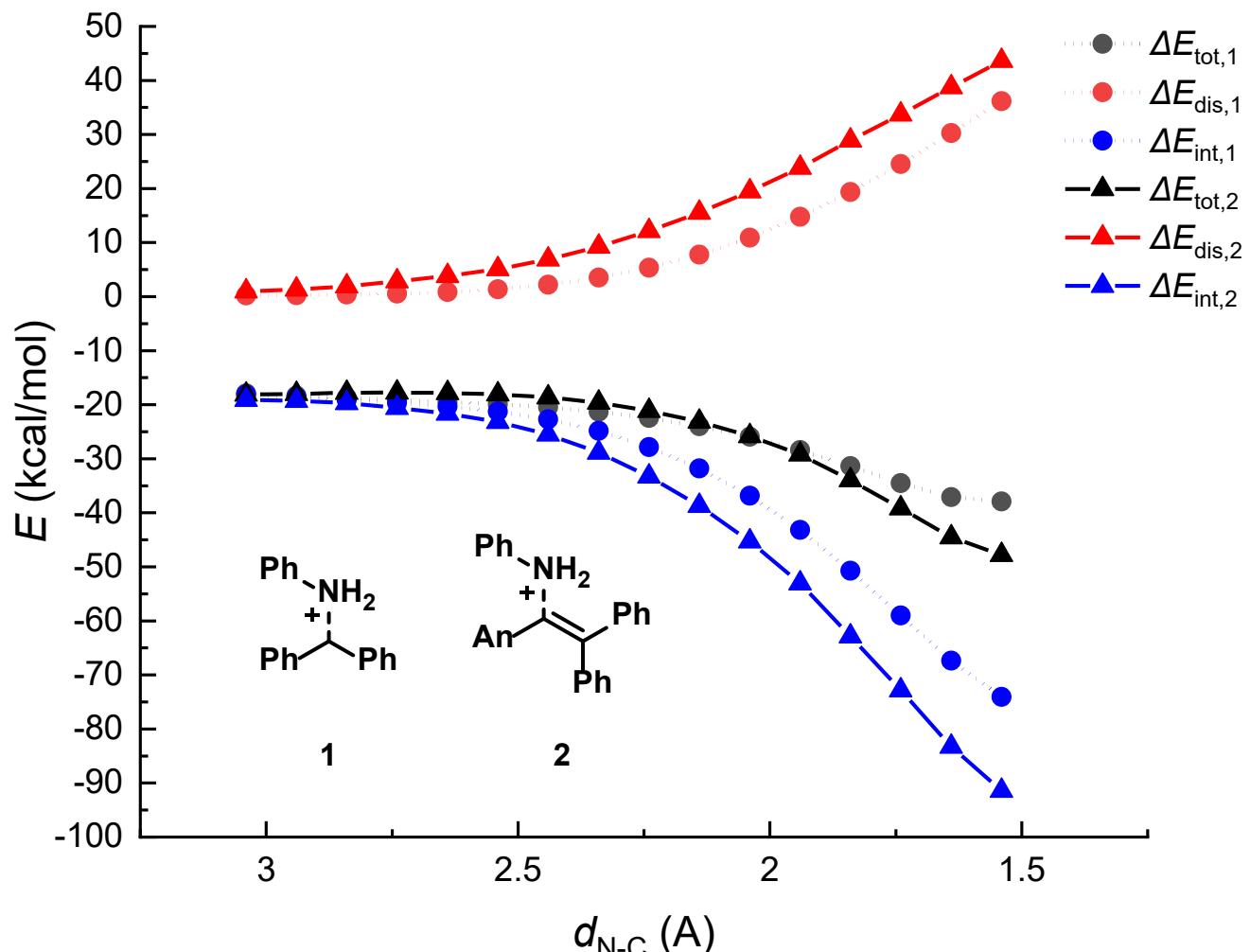


High Intrinsic Barrier



Entry	R^+	Experimental ΔH_{HA}^a	Calculated Quantities ^b			
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Distortion-Interaction Analysis

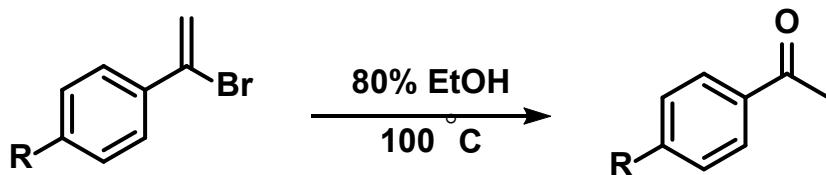


Electronic energy at M06-2X-D3/def2-SVP
//M06-2X-D3/def2-SVP/SMD(trifluoroethanol)

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Direct Solvolysis: First Attempt

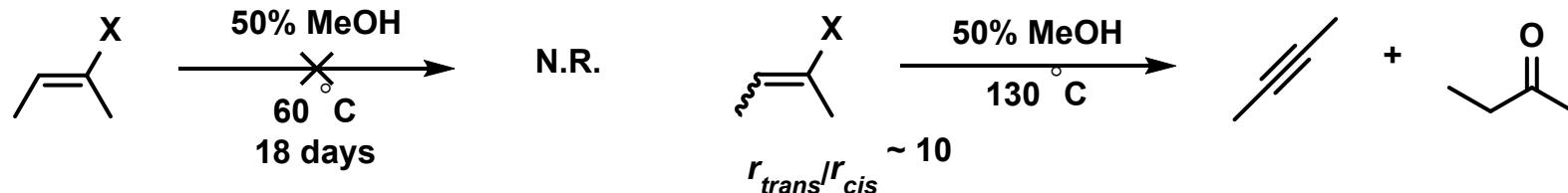


-R	k_{rel}
-H	1.0
-NH ₂	5.5×10^8
-OMe	8.5×10^3
-NO ₂	/

Direct Solvolysis: Harsh and Not Useful

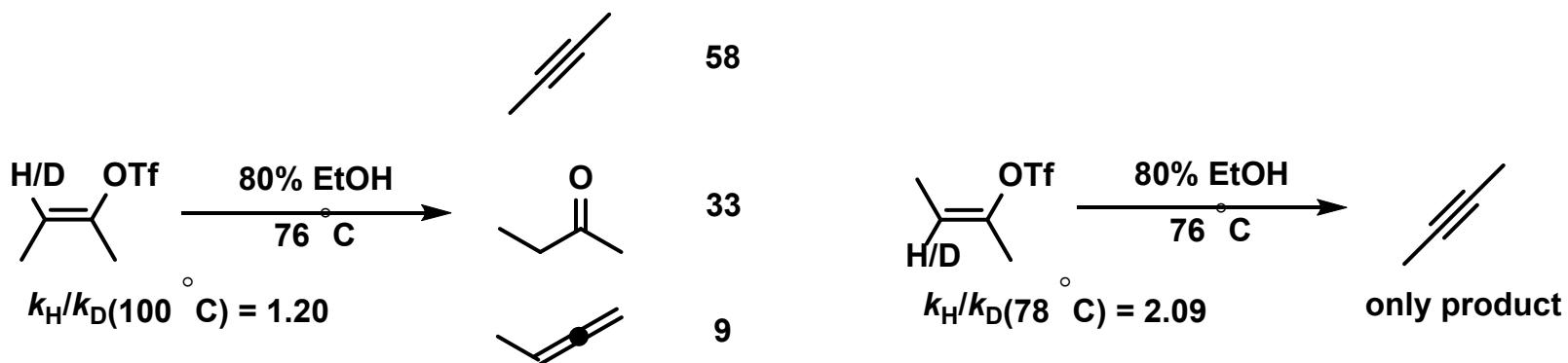
For **alkyl substituted substrate**, direct solvolysis of vinyl halides/sulfonates require **highly polar solvents**(usually protic solvents) and **relatively high temperature**.

X= OTs, OBs



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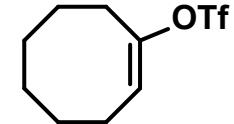
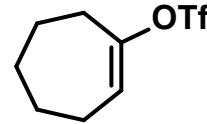
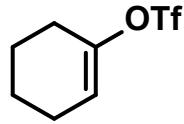
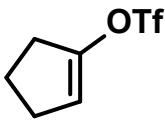
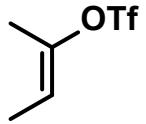
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Cyclic Enol Triflate



$k^{100 \text{ } ^\circ \text{C}}$ (50% EtOH) 1.77×10^{-3} $10^{-7} - 10^{-8}$ 1.90×10^{-5} 5.8×10^{-4} 4.7×10^{-3}

k_{rel}

1.0

$10^{-4} - 10^{-5}$

0.011

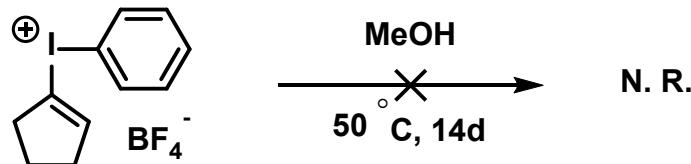
0.32

2.7

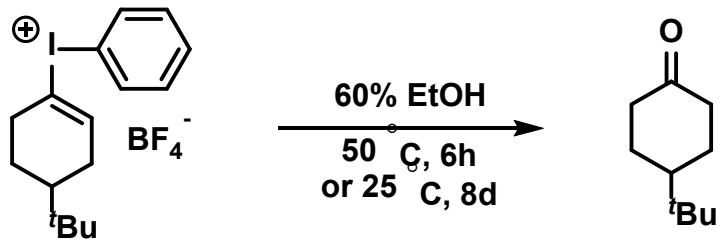
Strained Vinyl Cations: Stronger Leaving Group

Relative Leaving Ability

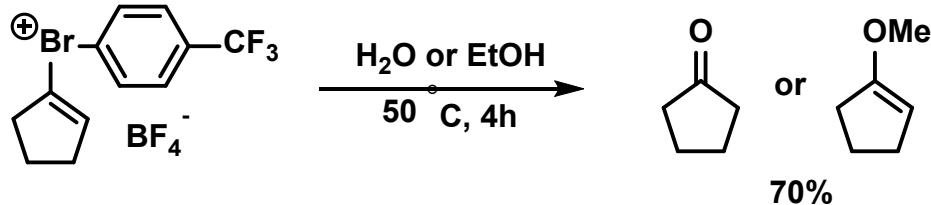
nucleofuge	relative leaving ability
--SMe_2^+	1
--OTs	7×10^5
--OTf	6×10^{11}
--IPh^+	5×10^{17}



M. Ochiai in *Chemistry of Hypervalent Compounds* (Ed.: K.-y. Akiba), Wiley-VCH, New York, **1999**, 359.



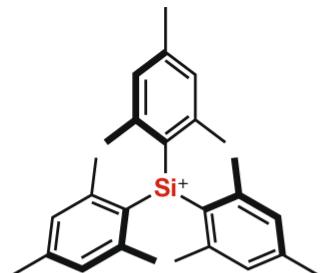
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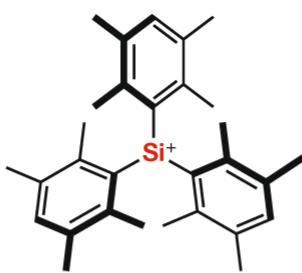
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Silylium Ions: Eager for Coordination

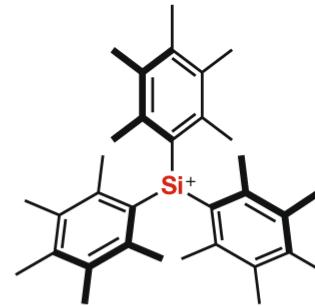
b Free silylium ions



$\delta^{(29)\text{Si}}$ 225.5 ppm
Lambert et al.^{8,11}



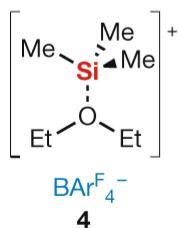
$\delta^{(29)\text{Si}}$ 226.8 ppm
Lambert and Lin¹²



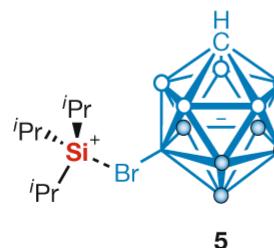
$\delta^{(29)\text{Si}}$ 216.4 ppm
Müller et al.¹³

c σ -Donor-stabilized silylium ions

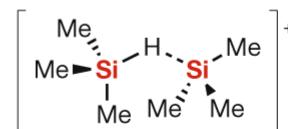
Intermolecular stabilization



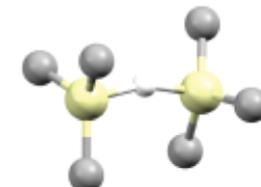
Ether
 $\delta^{(29)\text{Si}}$ 66.9 ppm
Kira, Sakurai et al.¹⁴



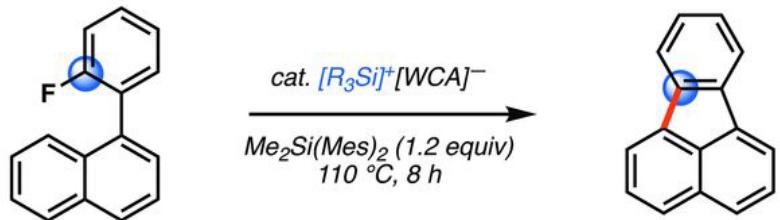
Halogen
 $\delta^{(29)\text{Si}}$ 109.8 ppm
Reed et al.¹⁸



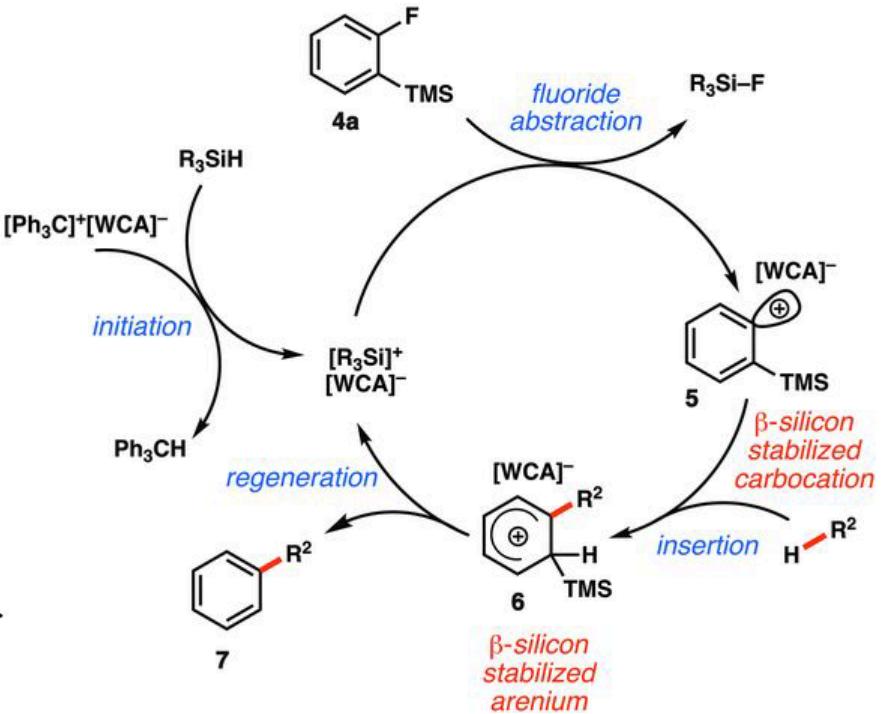
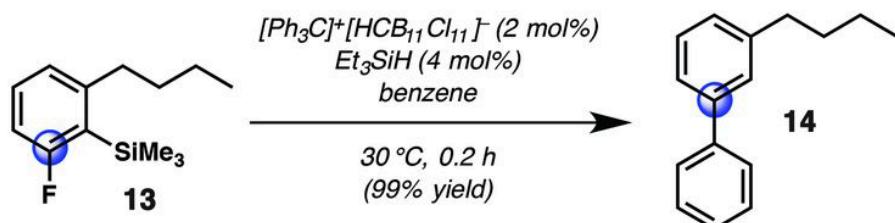
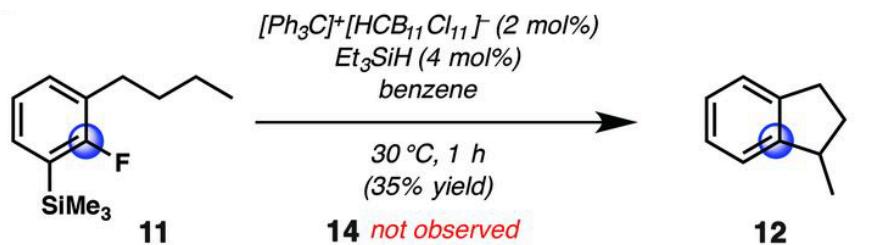
Hydrosilane
 $\delta^{(29)\text{Si}}$ 85.4, 82.2 ppm
Reed et al.²³



R_3Si^+ -WCA Strategy for Aryl Fluoride

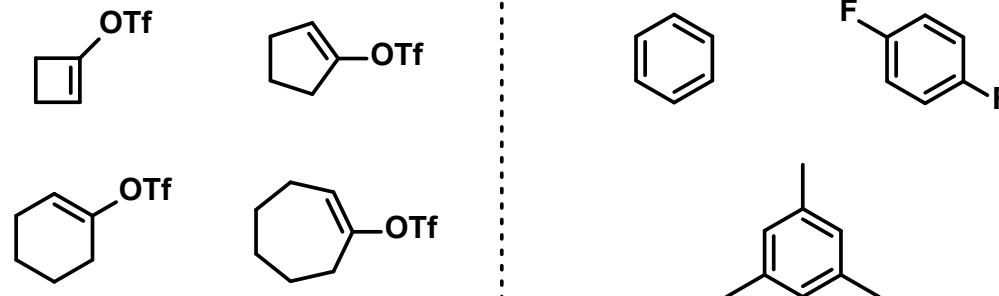
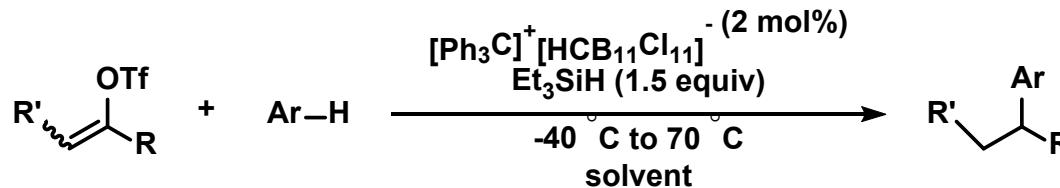
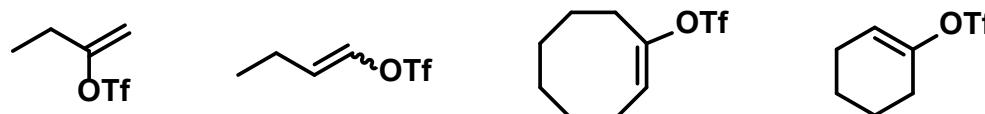
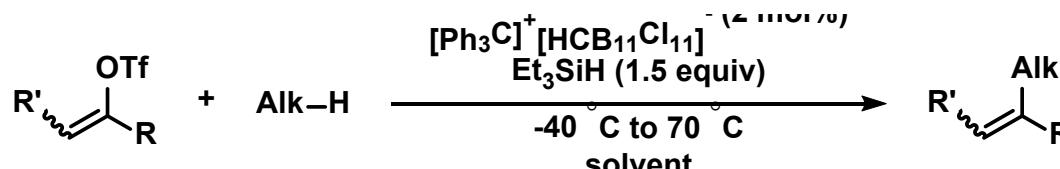


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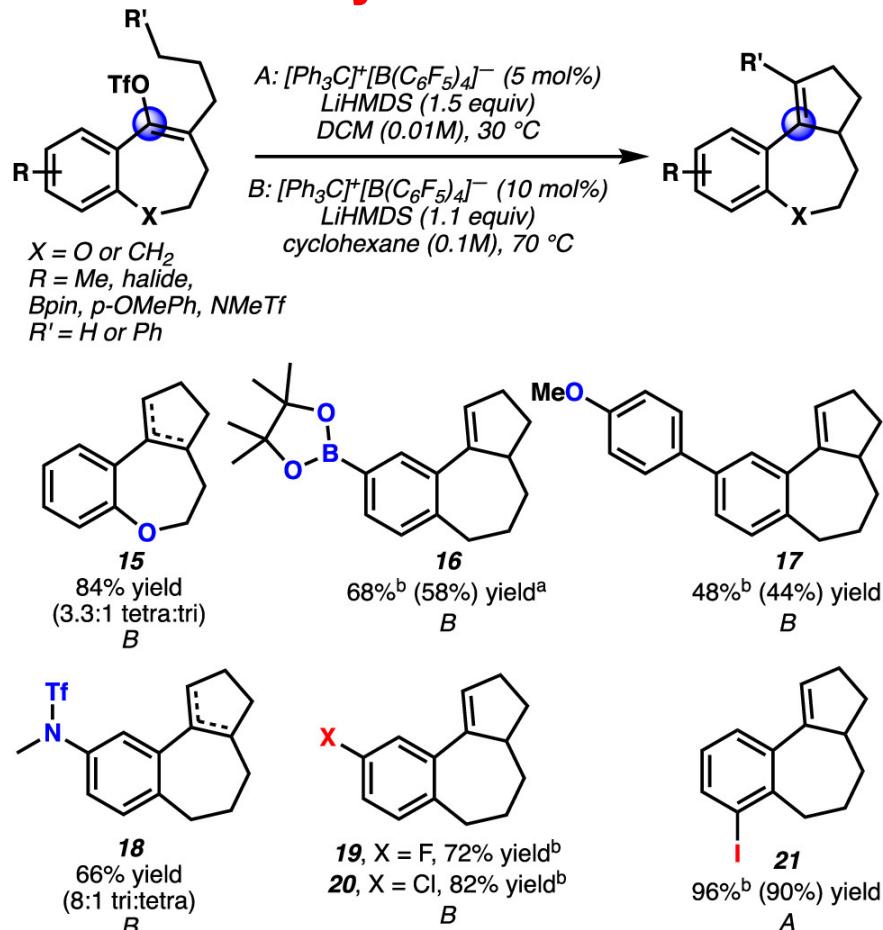
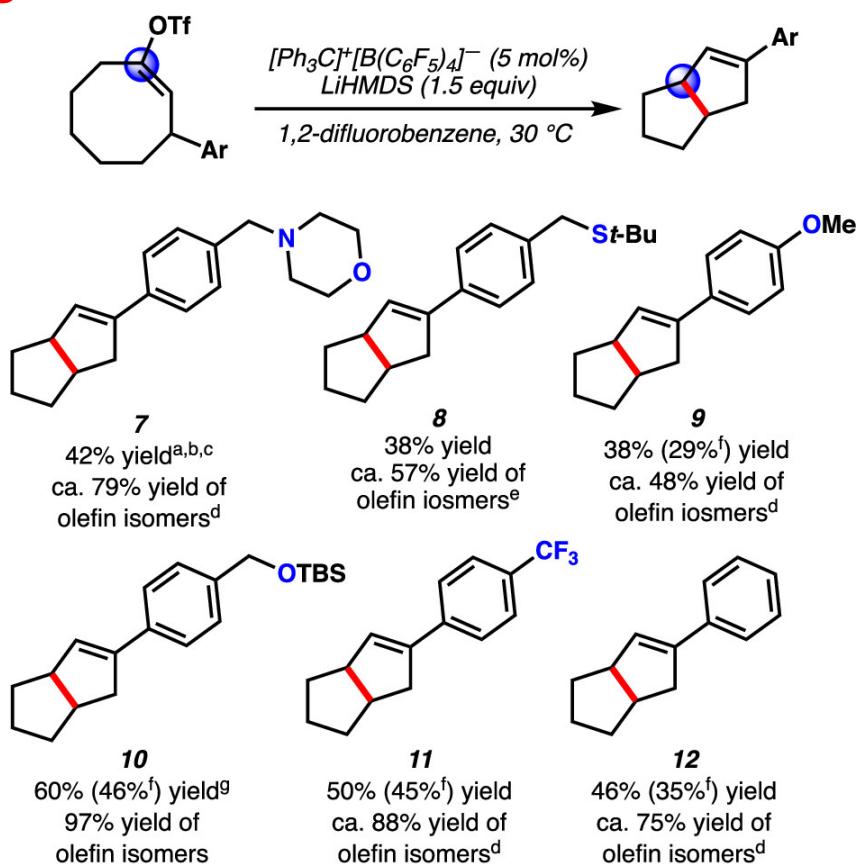
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R_3Si^+ -WCA⁻ System for Vinyl Triflate

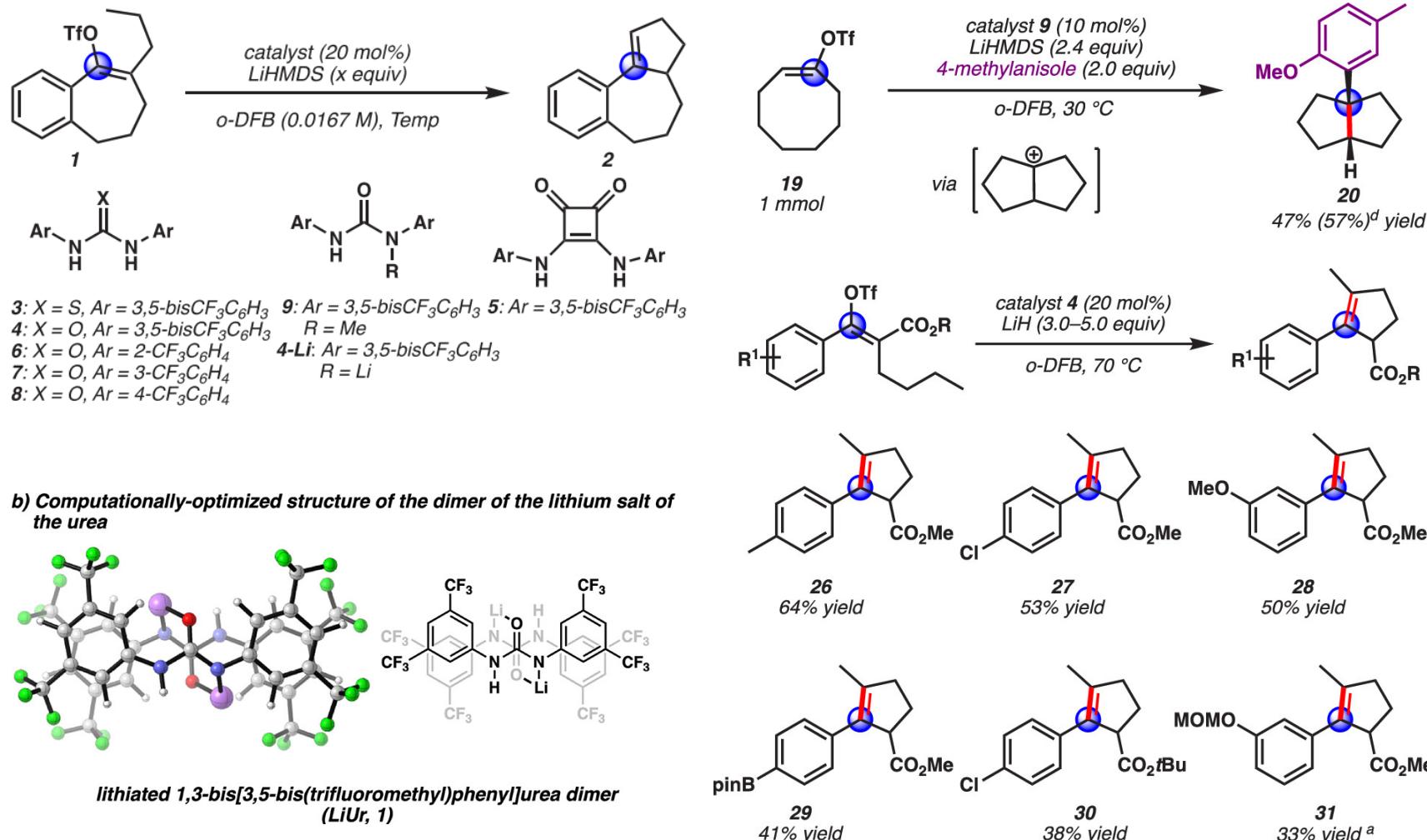


$\text{Li}^+ \text{-WCA}^-$: Higher Compatibility

Using weaker LA Li^+ instead of silylum ions, higher compatibility of functional group can be achieved, but **strained vinyl cations cannot be generated.**



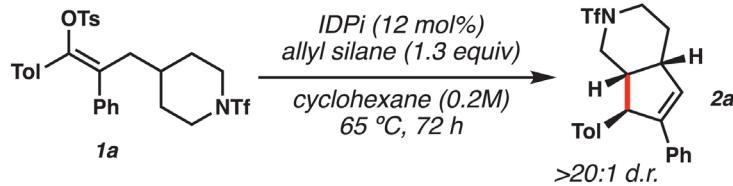
Lithiated Ureas: Also Work, even Better



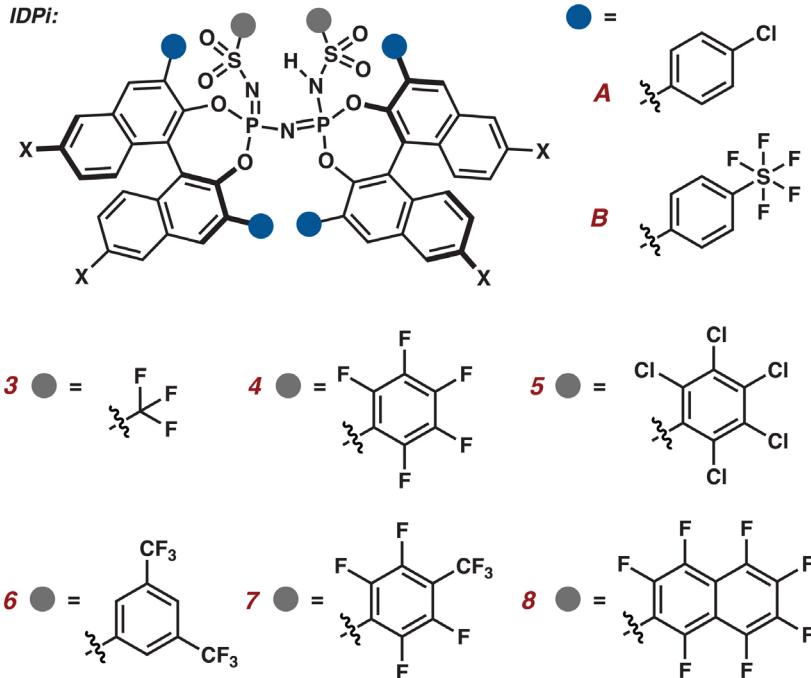
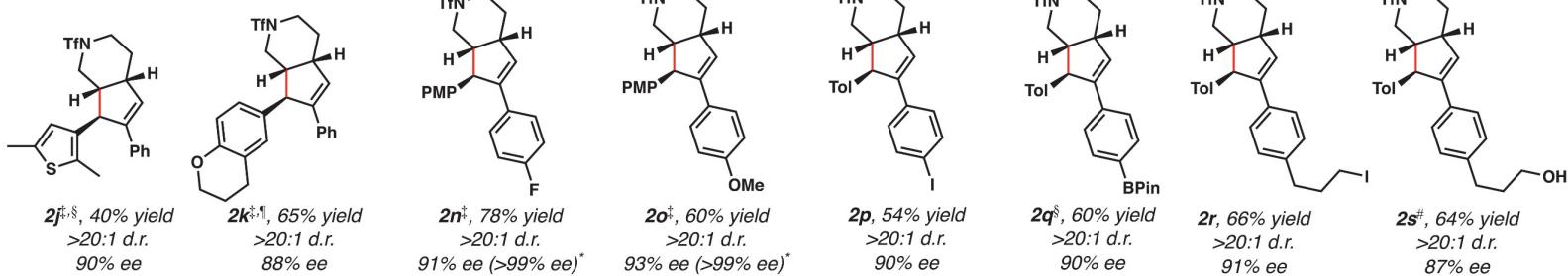
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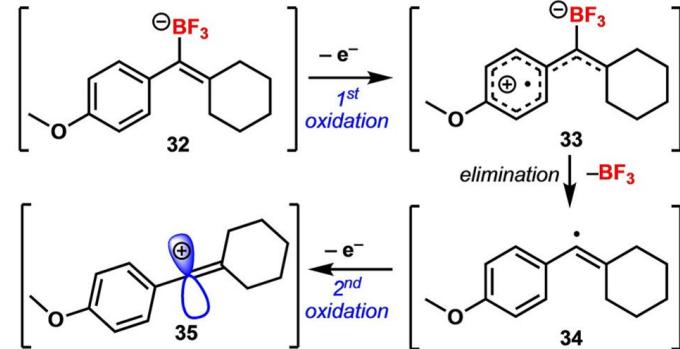
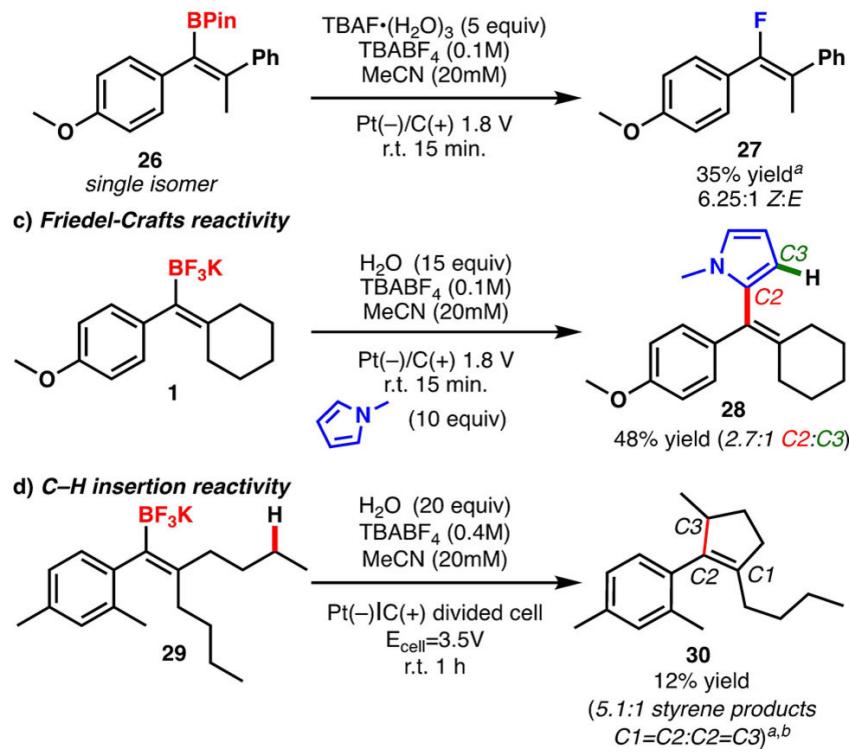
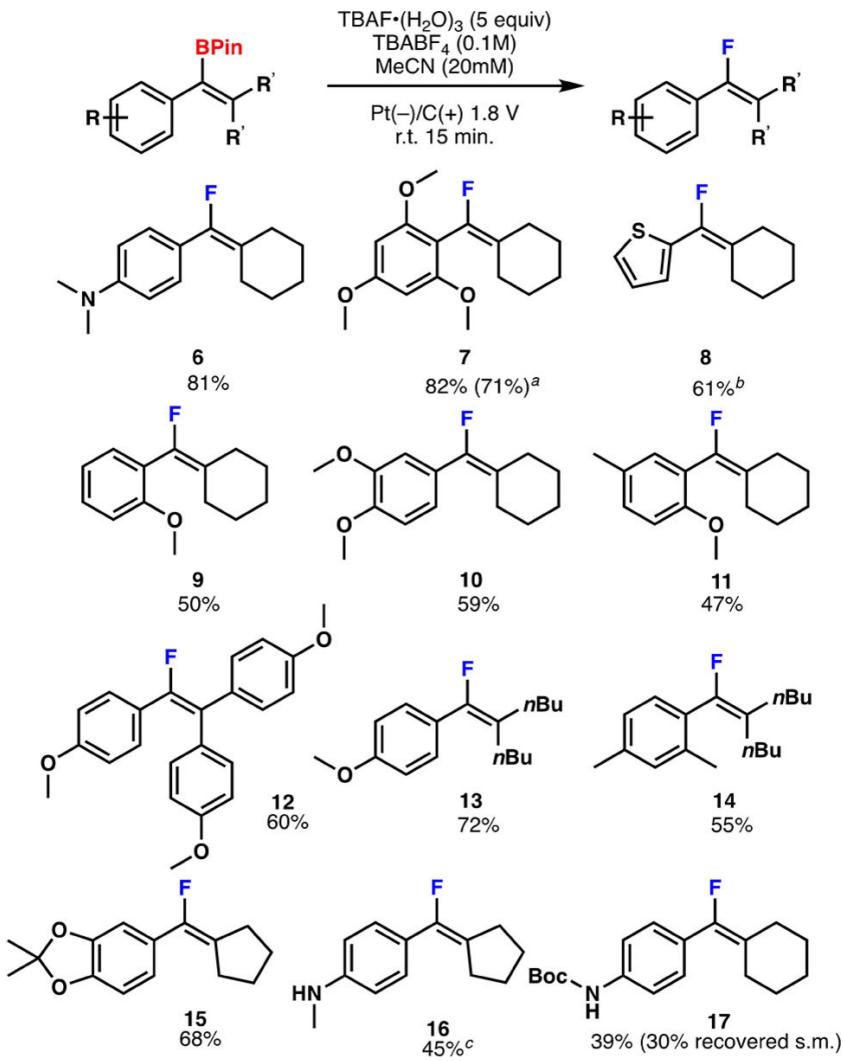
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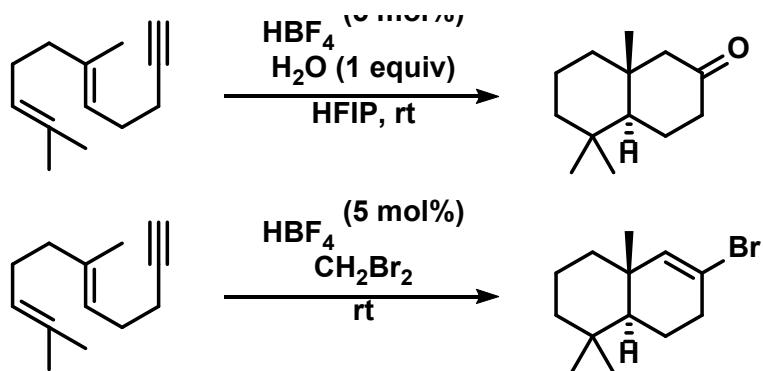
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2	4B	CF ₃	allyl TIPS	89%	79%	85%
3	5B	CF ₃	allyl TIPS	95%	72%	60%
4	6B	CF ₃	allyl TIPS	13%	11%	84%
5	7B	CF ₃	allyl TIPS	93%	84%	85%
6	8B	CF ₃	allyl TIPS	81%	72%	91%
7	8B	CF ₃	allyl TMS	38%	34%	89%
8	8B	CF ₃	allyl Si(TES) ₃	full	91% (81%) [*]	91%
9	8B	CF ₃	none	0%	0%	—



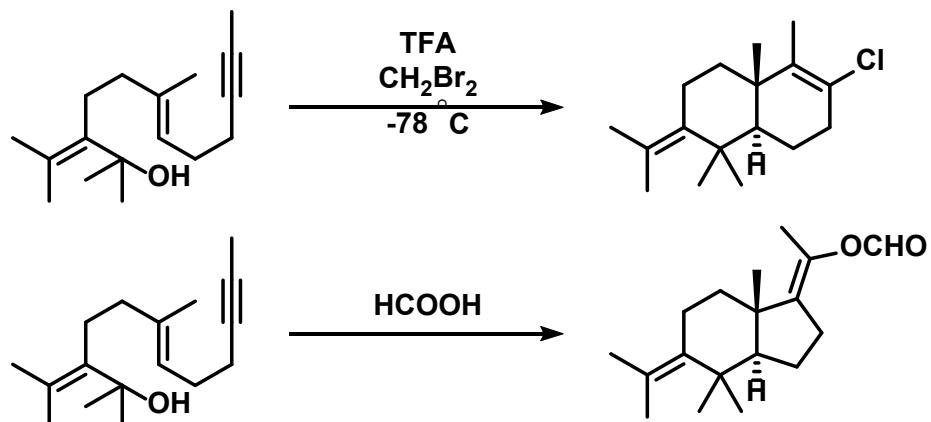
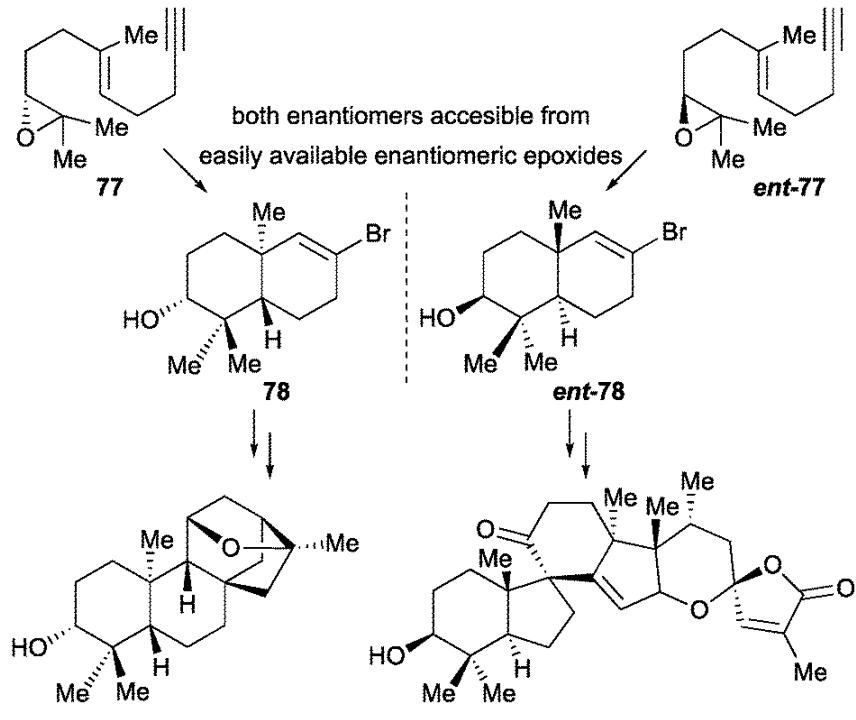
Electrochemical Approach



Electrophilic Addition to Alkyne by Carbocation



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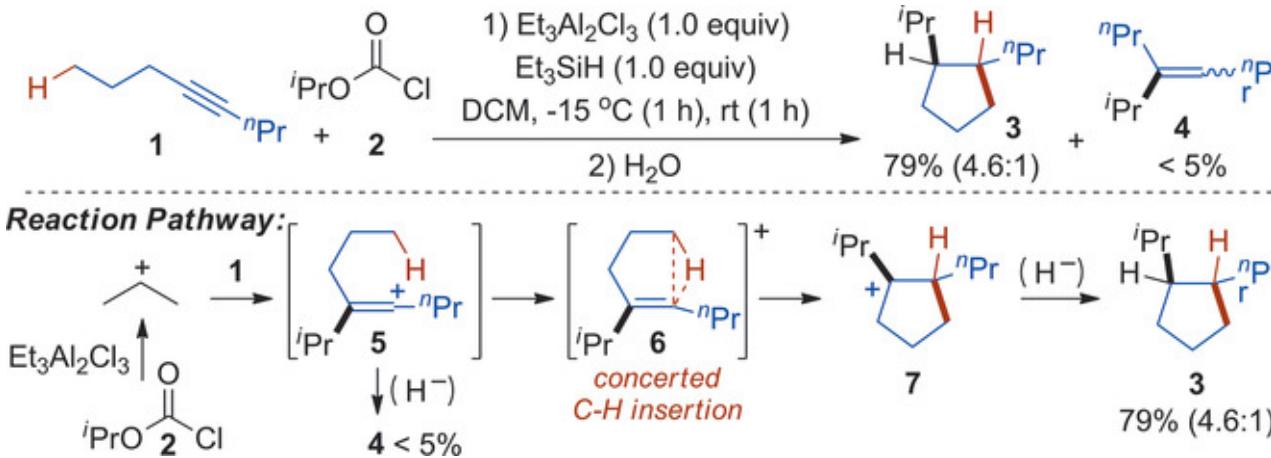
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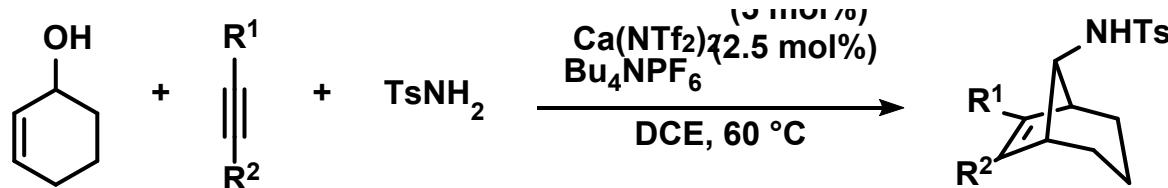
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Intermolecular Capture

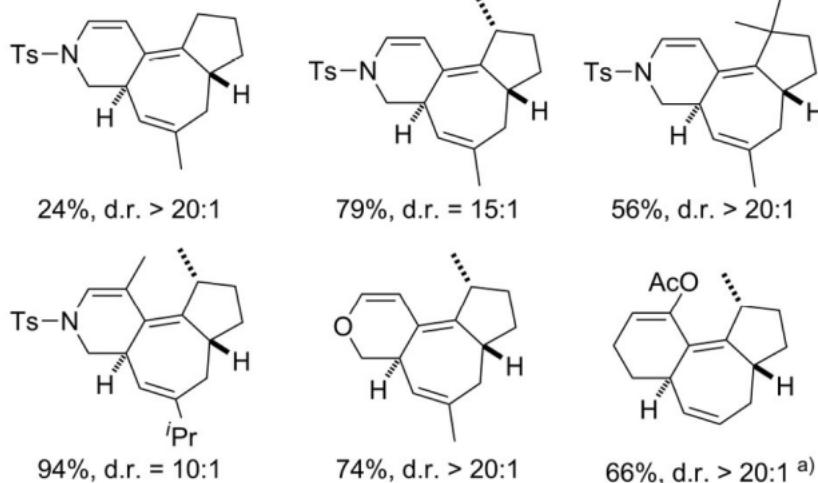
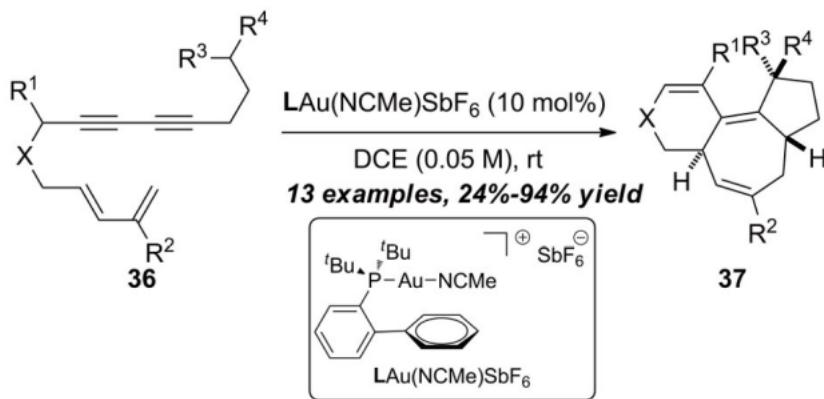


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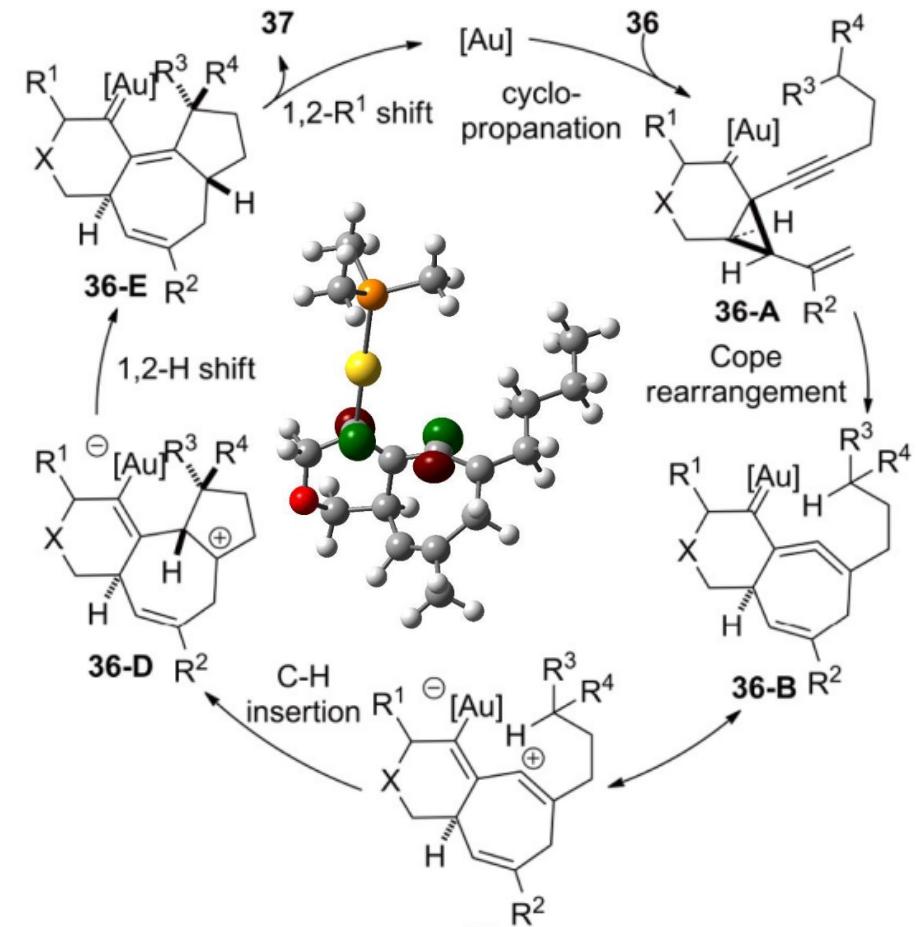


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Gold Catalysts



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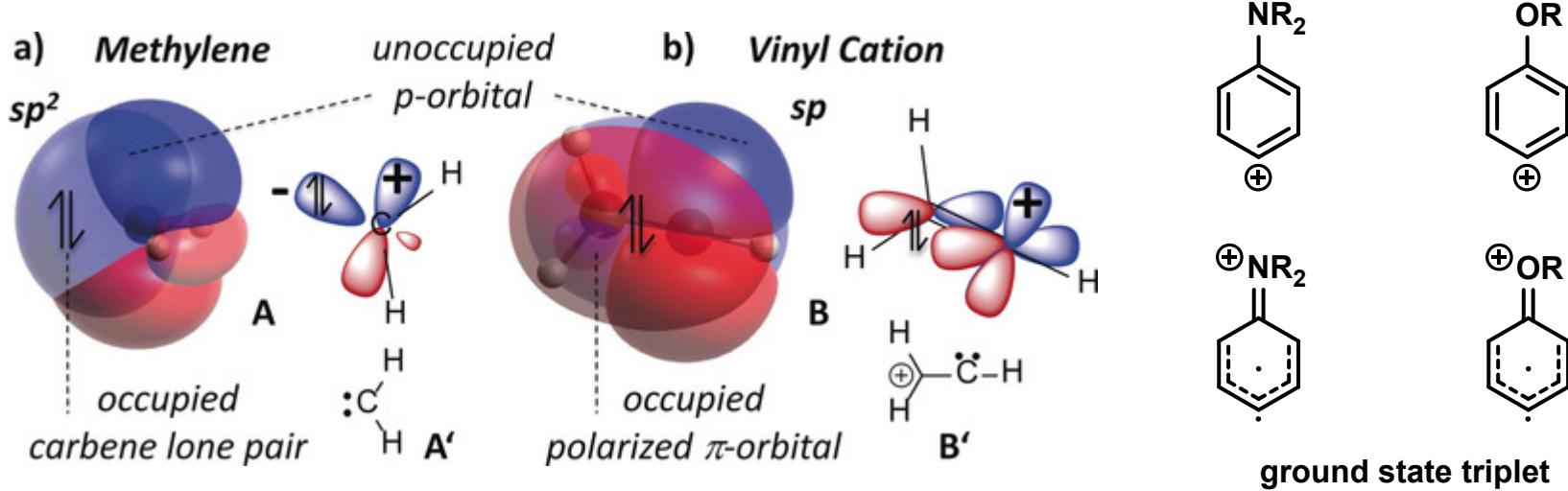
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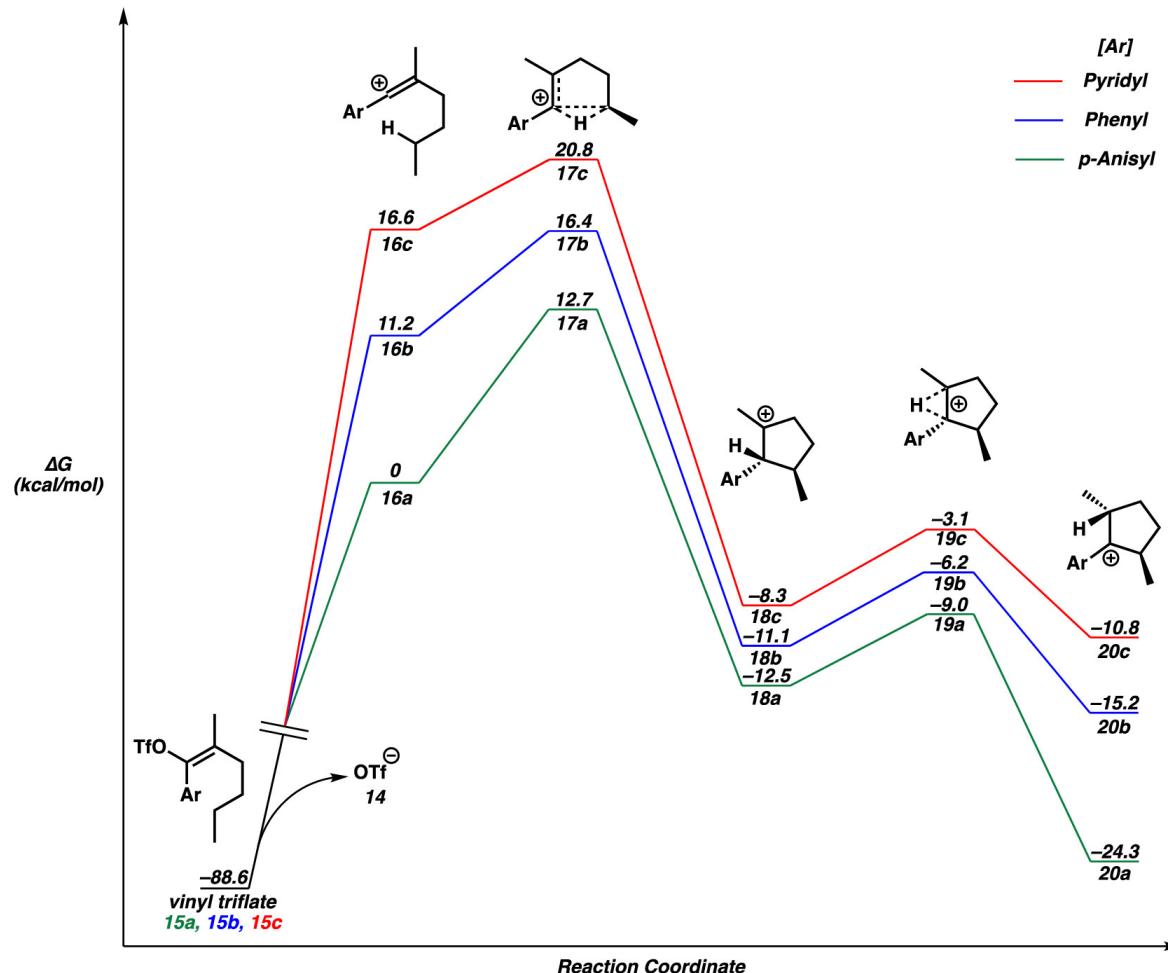
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Carbene-like Reactivity

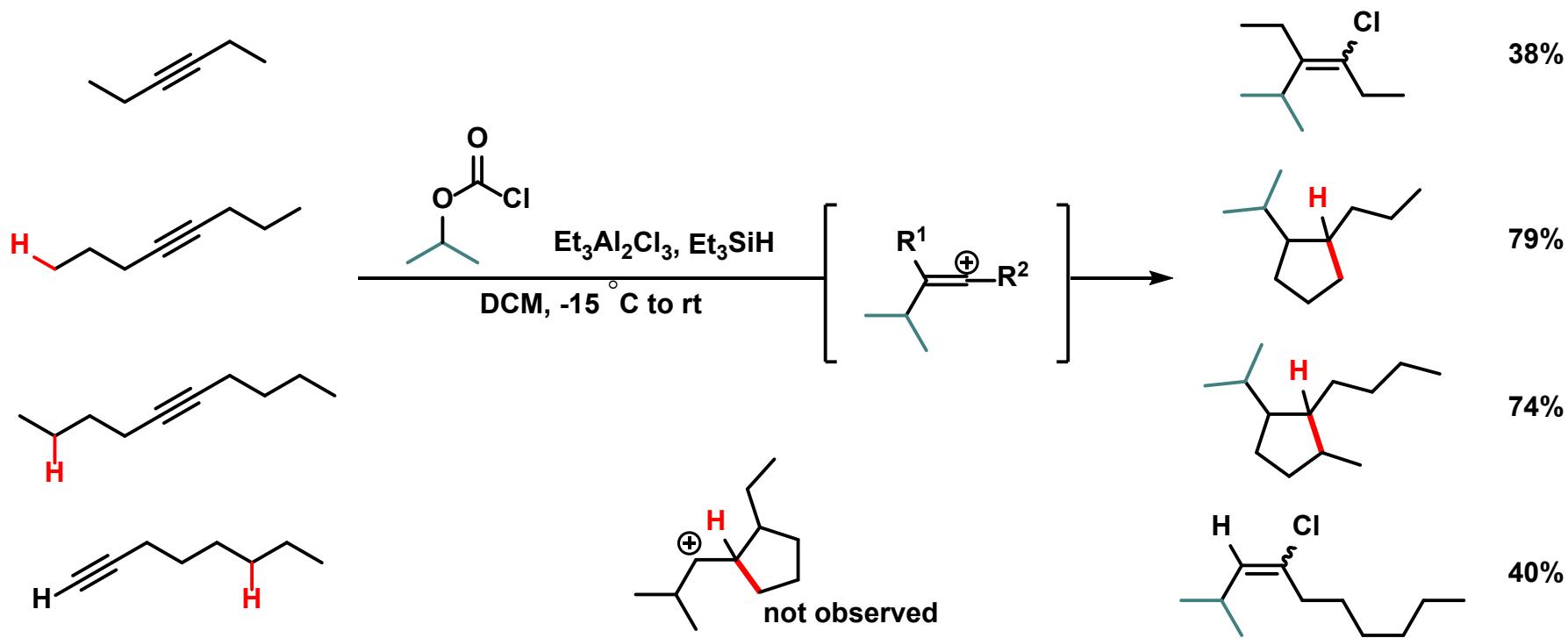


C-H Insertion: Electrophilic Process

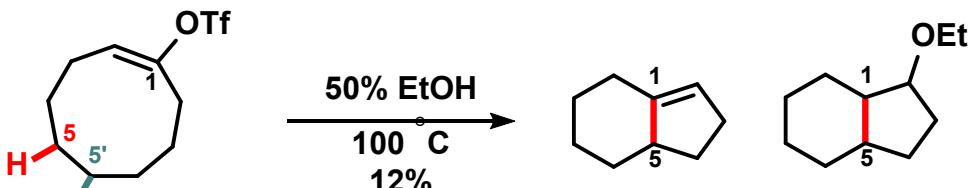
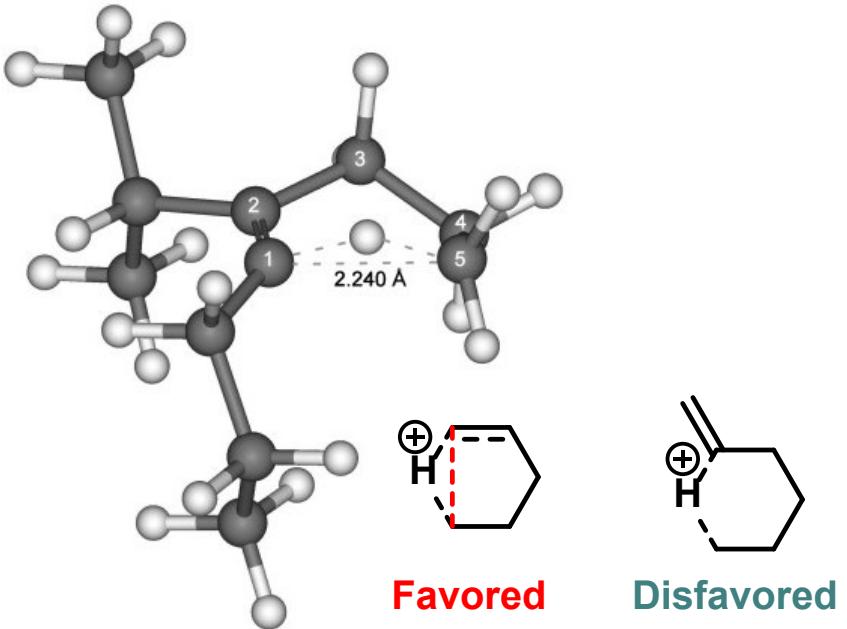
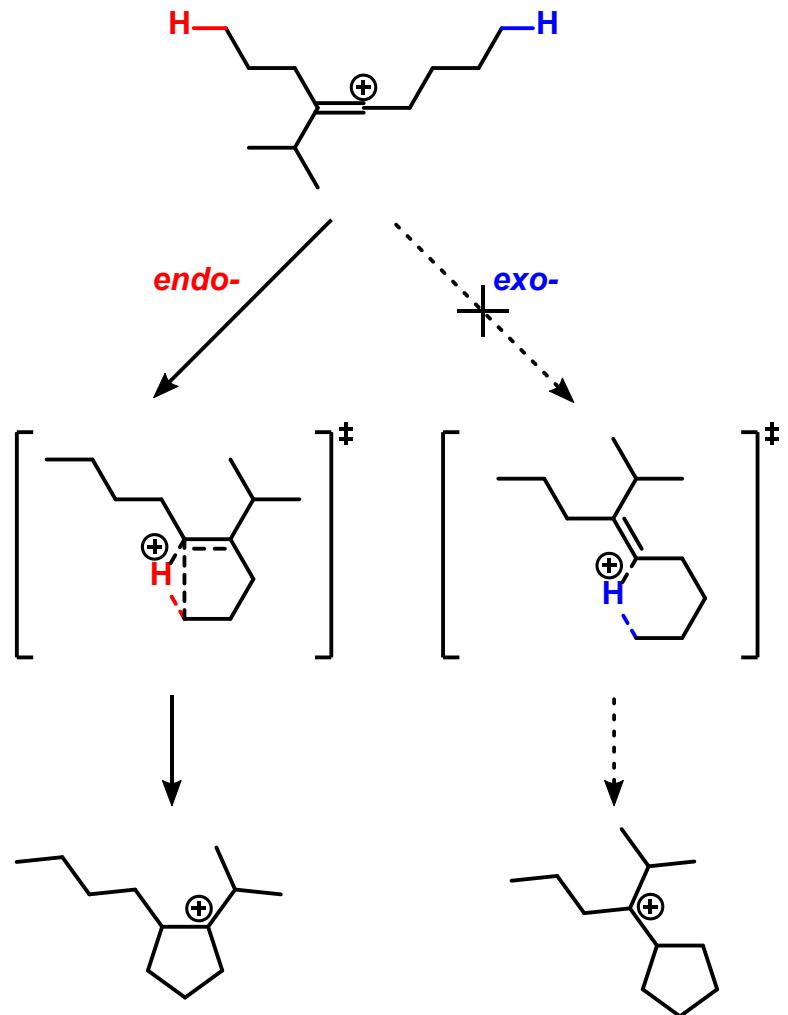
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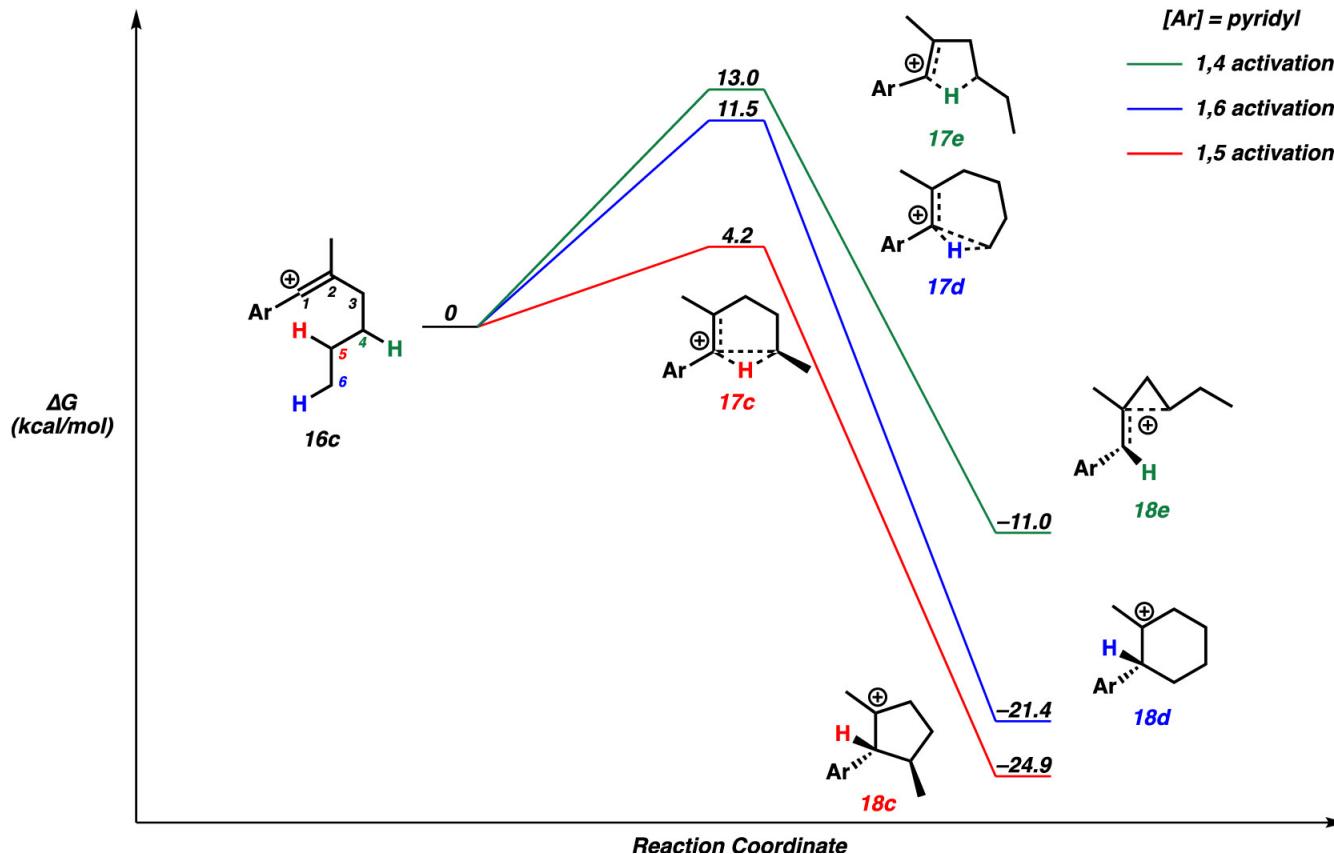
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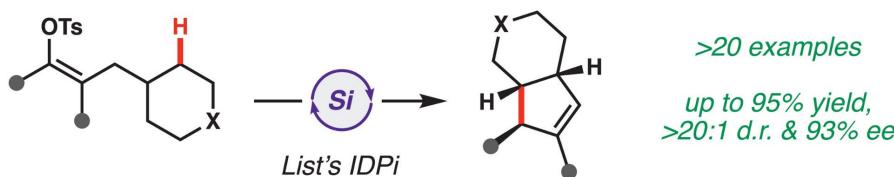
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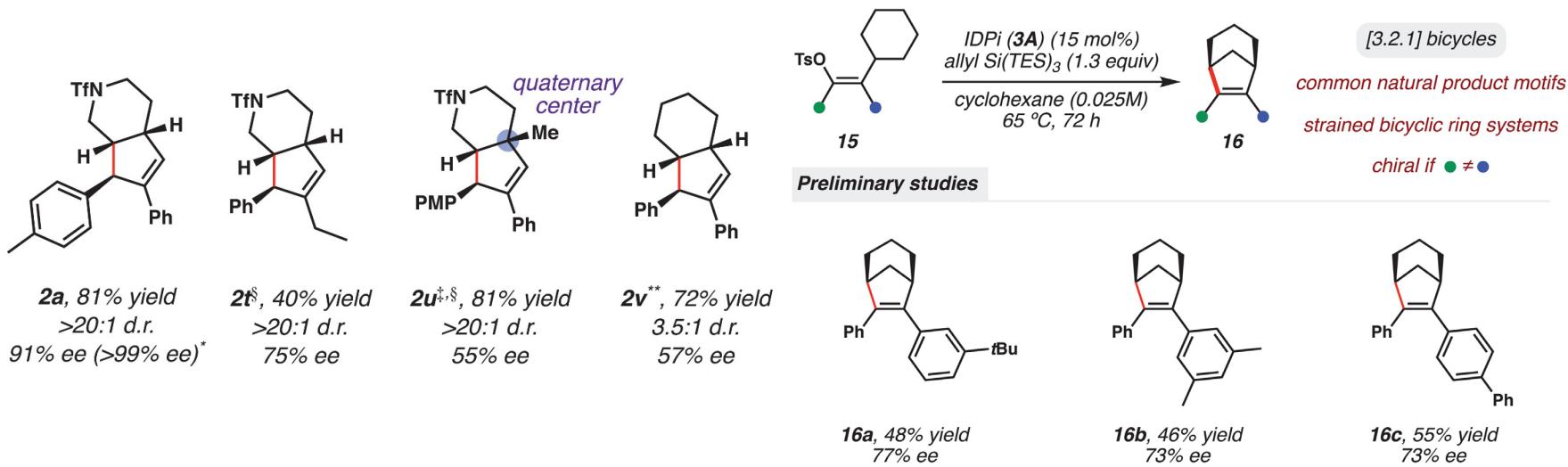
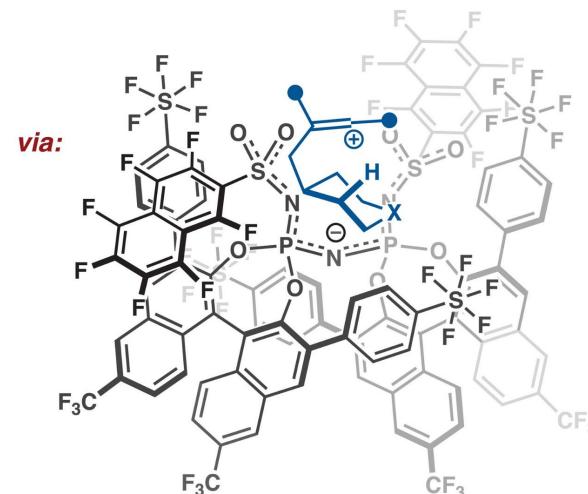


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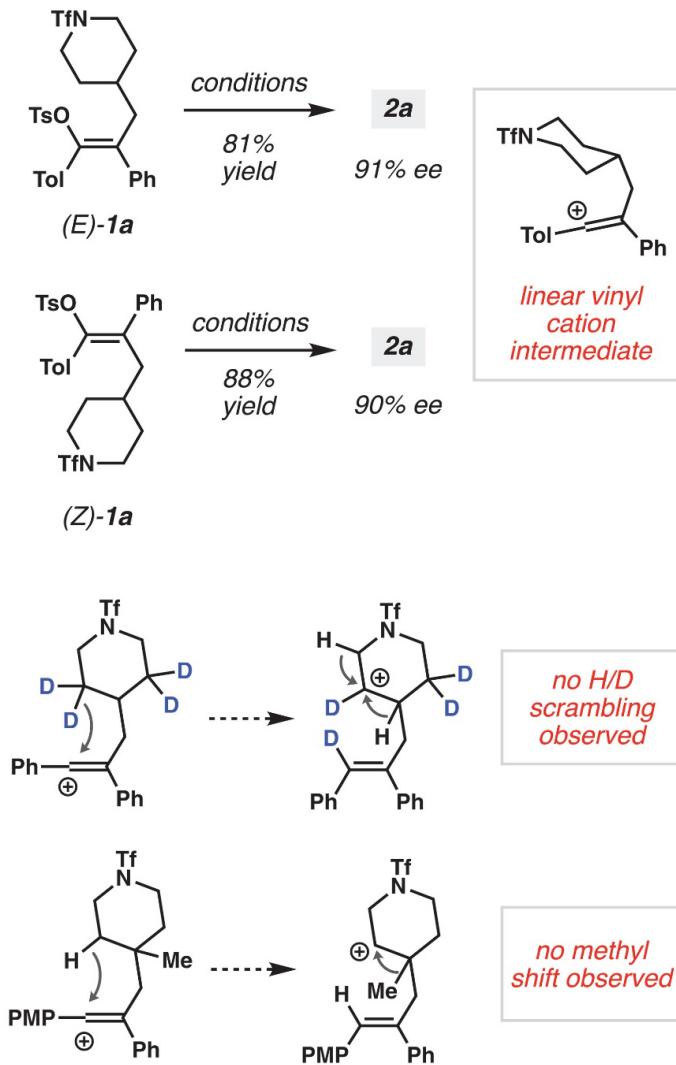
C This work: enantioselective vinyl cation C–H insertion reactions



- enantiocontrol over a di-coordinated vinyl carbocation
- organocatalytic asymmetric functionalization of unactivated $C(sp^3)$ -H bonds

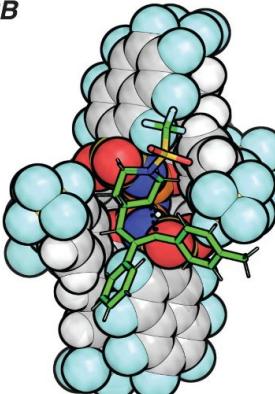
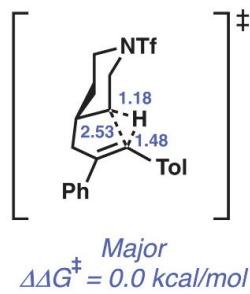


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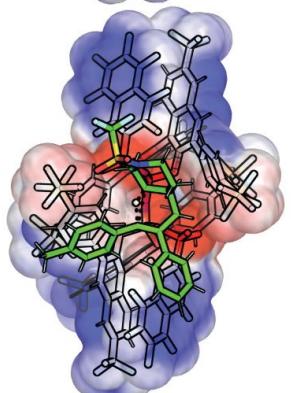
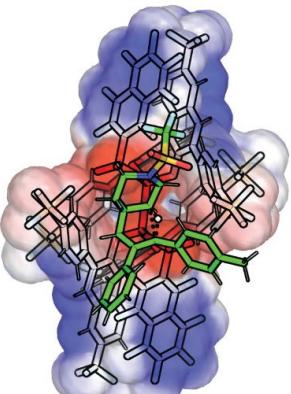
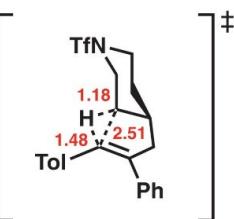


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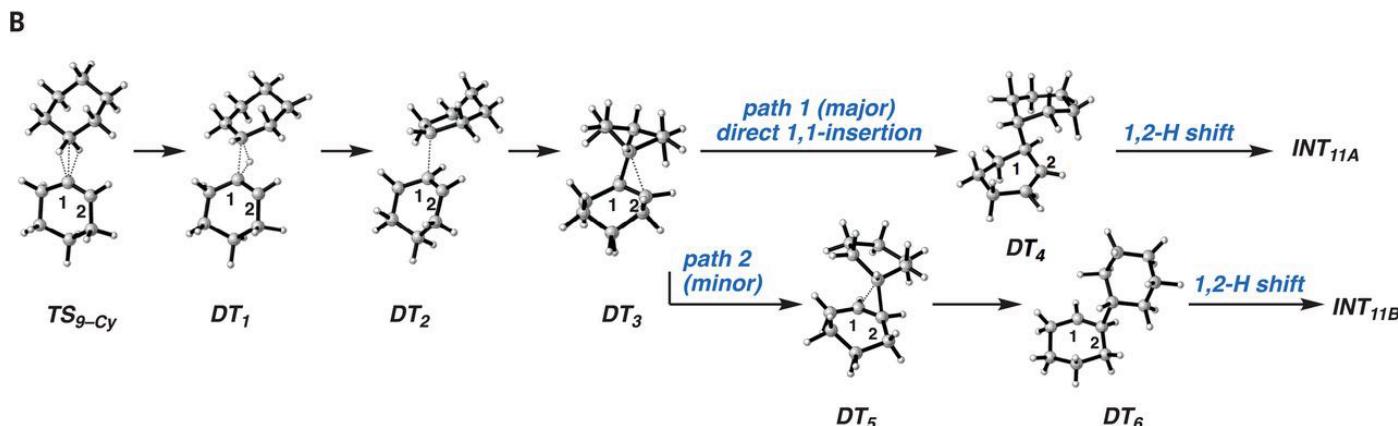
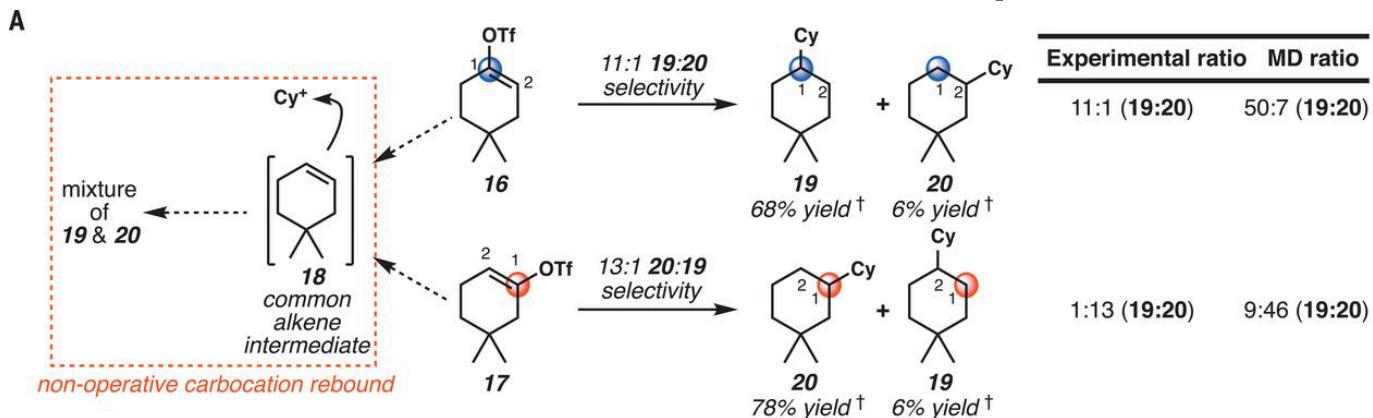


electrostatic potential surface map



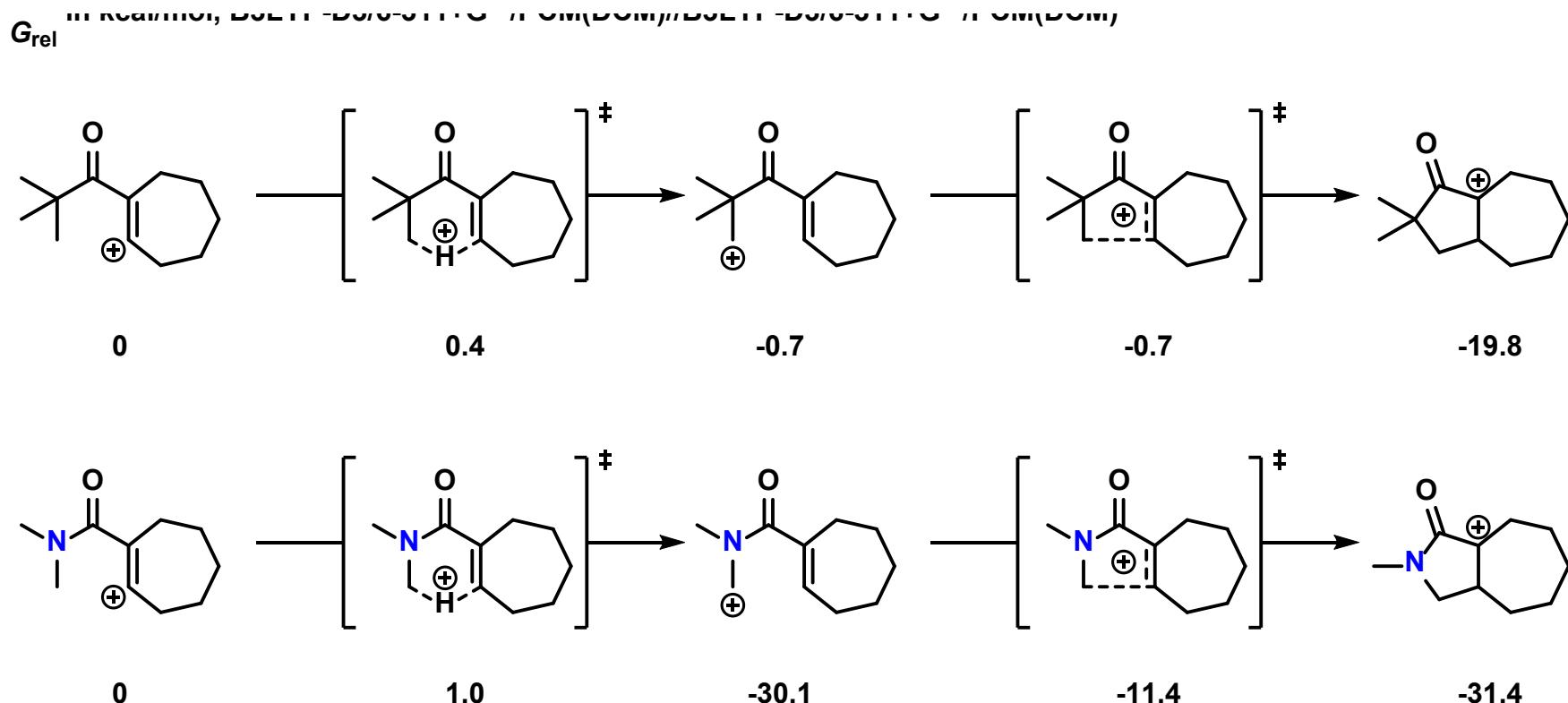
Intermolecular C-H Insertion

In **nonpolar solvents**, there's little solvation stabilization for carbocations, so **non-classical carbocations** are preferred.



C-H Insertion vs. Hydride Shift

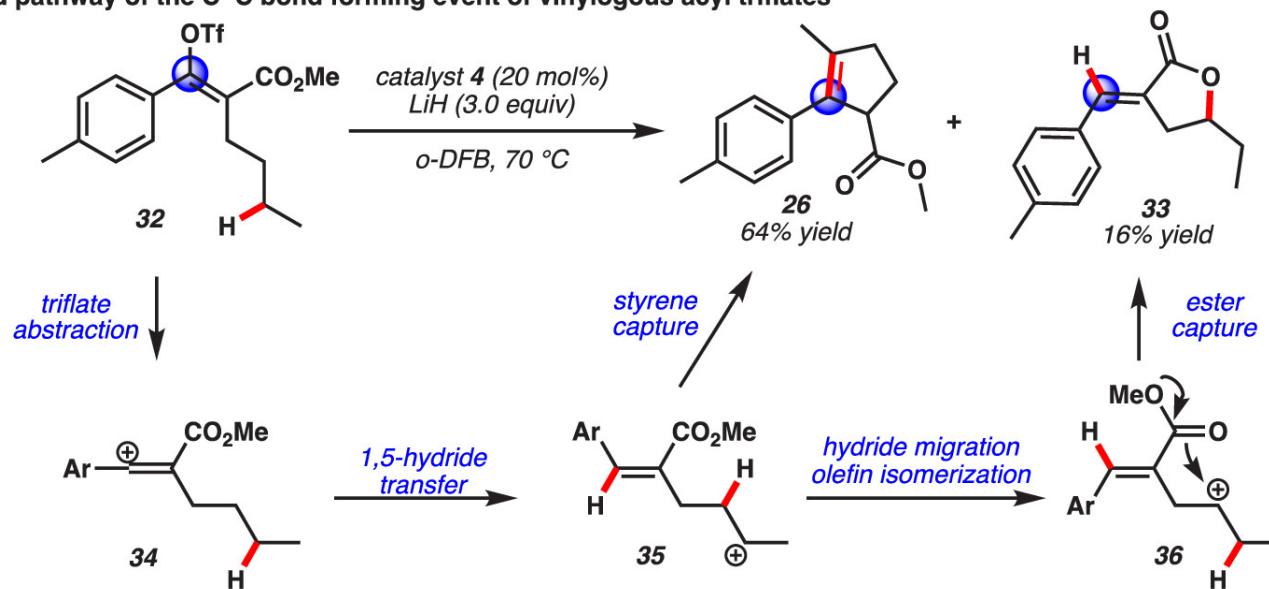
For C-H bond: **electron-rich** C-H bonds prefer **hydride shift**



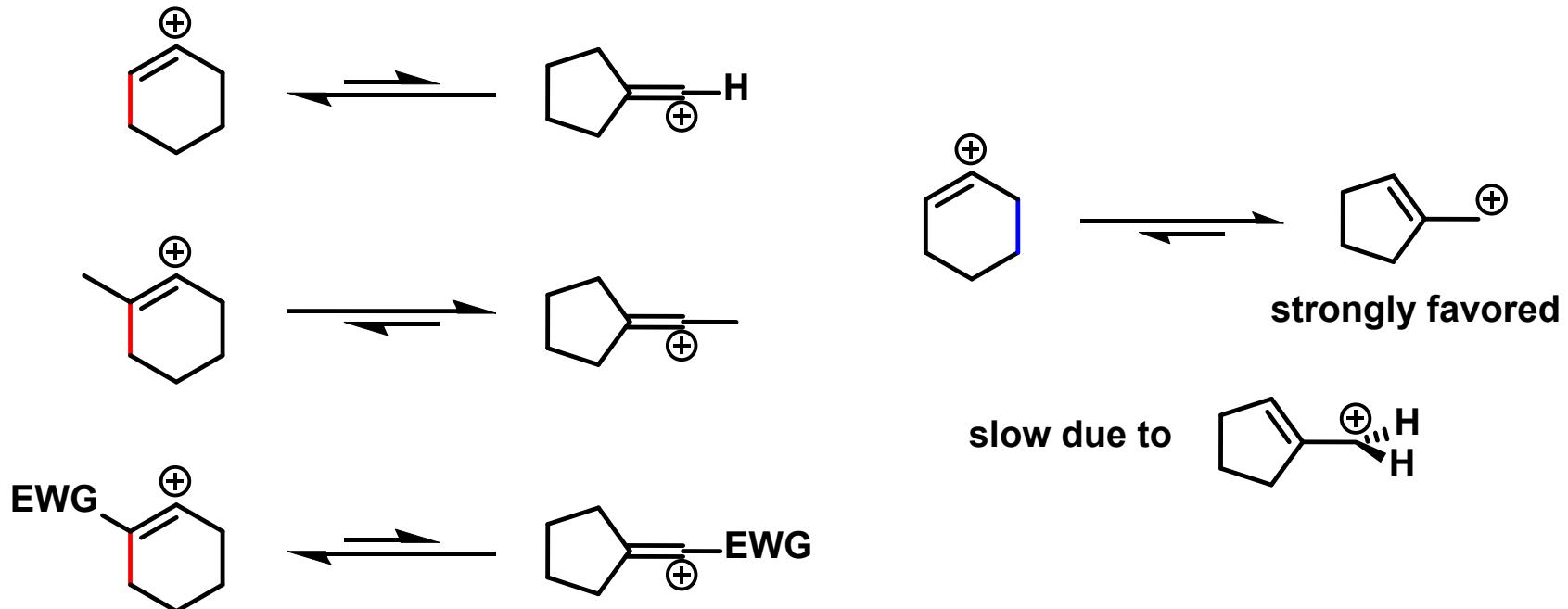
C-H Insertion vs. Hydride Shift

For vinyl cation: when the carbene-like resonance is disfavored, the concerted C-H insertion is not preferred

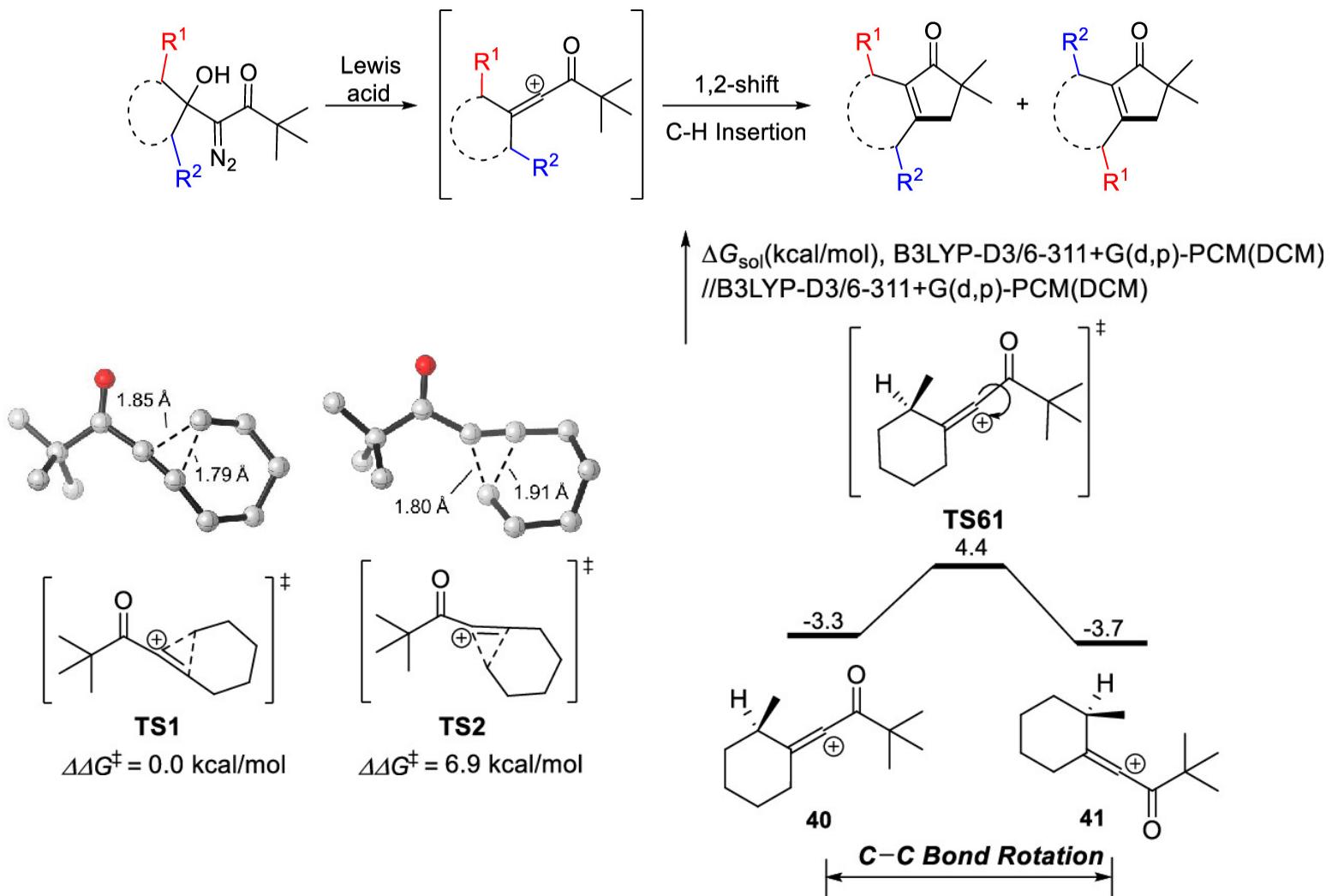
a Proposed pathway of the C–C bond forming event of vinylogous acyl triflates



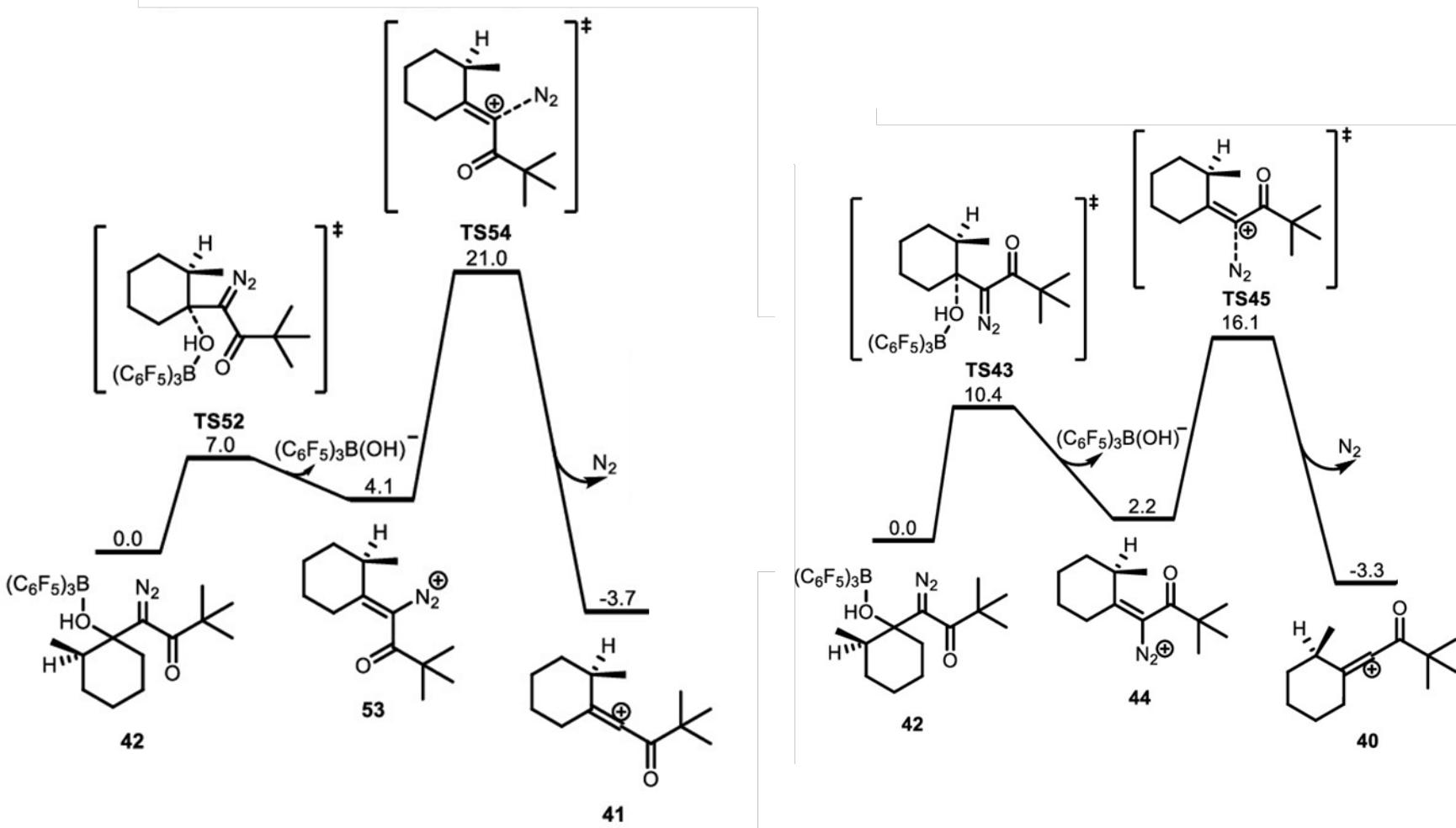
Rearrangement: General Law



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Summary and Outlook

- Stability: no significantly more labile than normal trisubstituted carbocations, albeit harder in generation
- Carbene-like reactivity: spatial controlled C-H insertion
- Generation of vinyl cation: need for mild condition with better functional group compatibility