



Free-Radicals: Chemistry and Biology

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Synthetic Applications: Addition to Multiple Bonds

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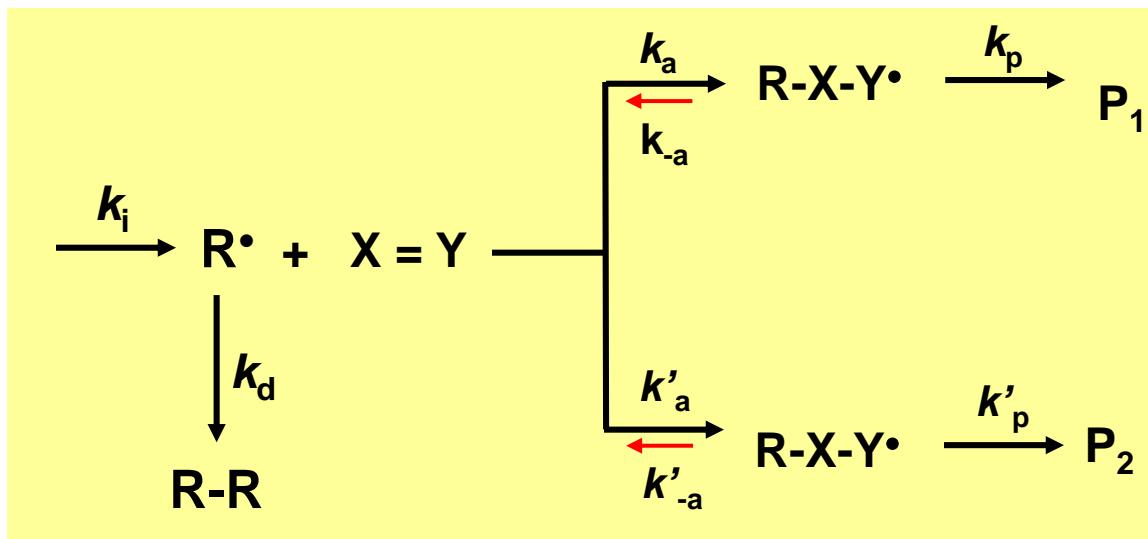
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Synthetic Applications of Radical Reactions

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Radical Addition to Unsaturated Systems



Competitive investigations

Reactivity : Irreversible Process

$$(k_i, k_d, k_a, k'_a, k_p, k'_{p'})$$

Reversible Process

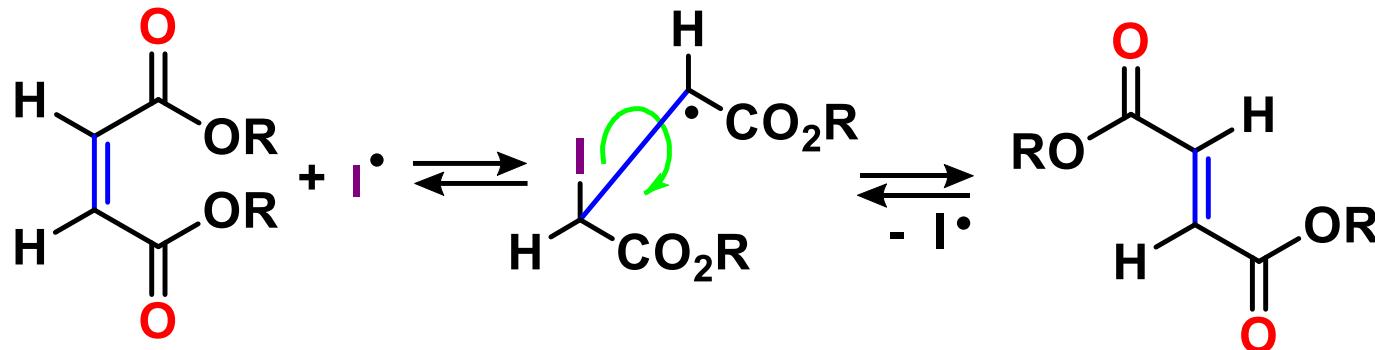
$$(k_i, k_d, k_a, k'_a, k_p, k'_{p'}) k_{-a}, k'_{-a}$$

Regioselectivity: k_a / k'_a

Substrate Selectivity : k_a/k_d e k'_a/k'_d

Stereochemistry: A) Spatial relationship between substituents on R and X/Y in the bond
B) Spatial relationship between the formed bond and SOMO orbital.

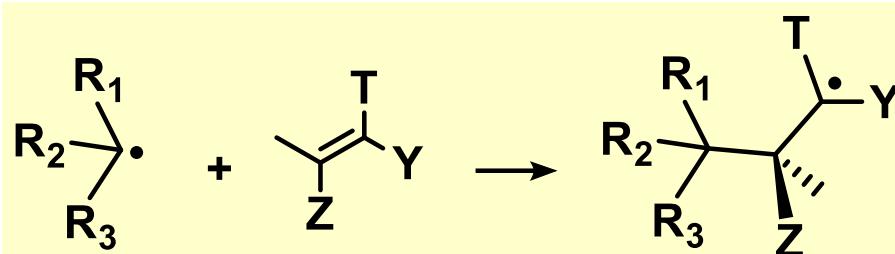
Radical *cis-trans* Isomerization of Alkenes



- The final product sensitive to the presence of *cis* isomer (1% - pasty product)
- Lower temperature to reduce *cis* isomer (**0.5% I₂, 80 °C, hν (visible, 100 watt), 1 h.**)
- in lab the *trans* is isolated by slow addition of hexane to the mixture
- The process was developed adding hexane at 50°C in several hours
- The process work at 2000 L scale but at 10.000 L: pasty crystals
- Solution:** ppt. hexane at 55 °C (recycling the iodine from hexane).

T (°C)	R _{trans/cis}
30	13.6
80	11.9
120	10.8
180	8.9

Peculiarity of Carbon Centered Free Radical Addition to Olefins (C=C)



Substituent Effects:

R_1, R_2, R_3 induce polar and conjugative effects :

electron-donor groups - nucleophilic radicals

electron-withdrawing groups - electrophilic radicals

conjugated groups - stabilized radicals

induce relevant steric effects

when all R are bulky - persistent radicals

induce significant conformational effects

R = electronegative atoms - non planar radicals

Z induces moderate polar and remarkable steric effects

Y, T induce only important polar effects:

nucleophilic radicals → electron-poor olefins

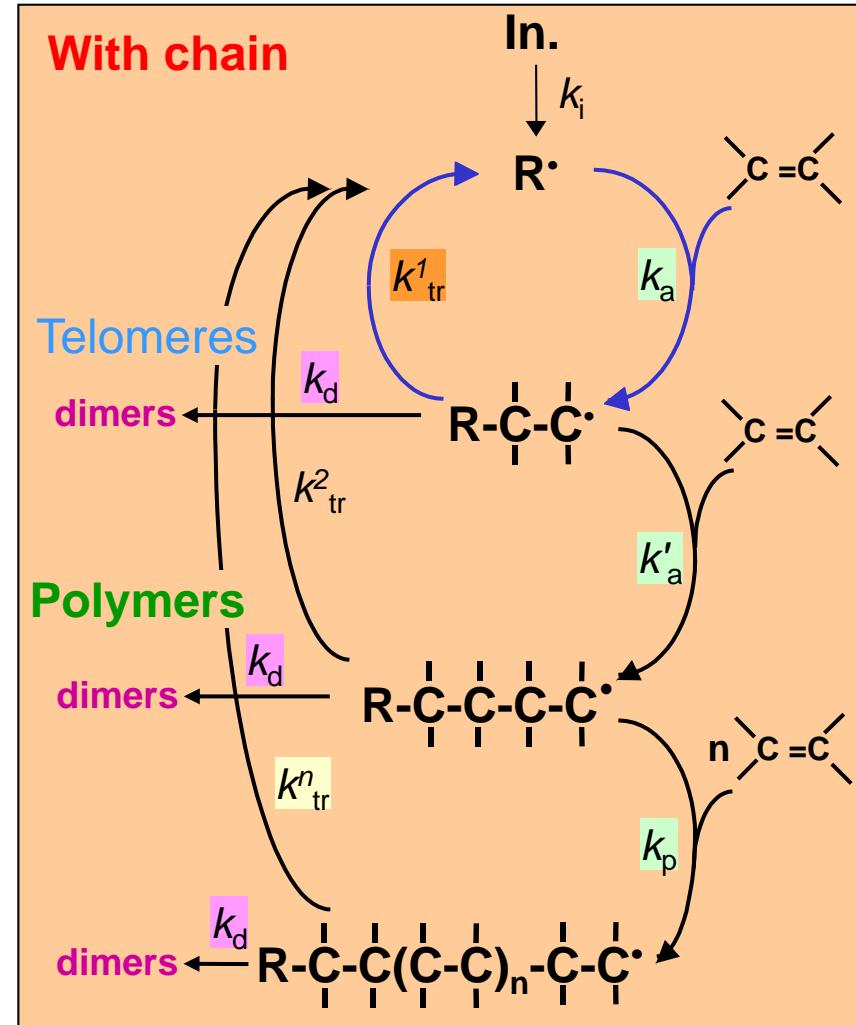
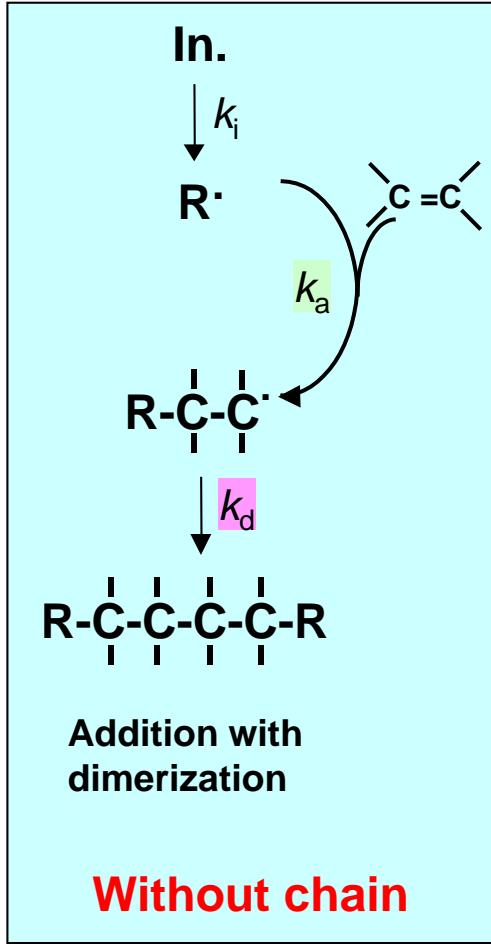
electrophilic radicals → electron-rich olefins



Some More Considerations on Radical Addition to Olefins

- Frequently the process is **reversible**; the positional and substrate selectivity are controlled by the fate of adduct radicals (k_p)
- The **regioselectivity** is mainly determined by **steric effects** (addition to terminal C), in the absence of reversibility (high k_p) .
- Sensitivity to substrate and radical conformation (**stereo-electronic effects**, electronegative atoms)
- The **stabilization** of adduct radical ($\cdot\text{CR}_2\text{-Y}$) is determinant only if Y is a strongly conjugating group (Ar, S, etc.)
- Generally the process is **exothermic and fast** ($k_a > 10^2 \text{ M}^{-1}\cdot\text{s}^{-1}$) and shows an early transition state (can be investigated using the Frontier Orbital Theory).

Inhibited Radical Additions and Radical Mono- and Poly-Additions



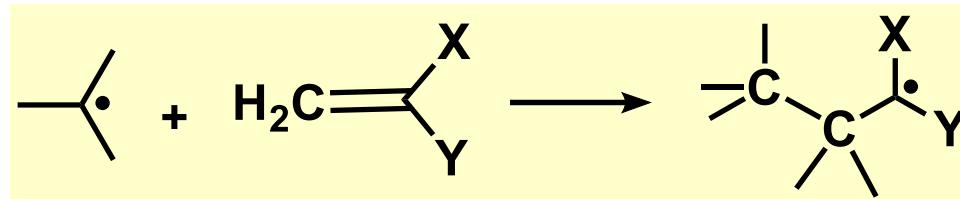
— Mono- or Direct Addition

Rate Propagation Constants in the Polymerization of Vinyl Monomers

Monomer	k_p ($M^{-1} \cdot s^{-1}$) (60°)	$\log A$ ($M^{-1} \cdot s^{-1}$)	E_{att} (kcal·mole $^{-1}$)
Acrylamide	18.000 ^a	-	-
Vinyl Chloride	12.300	6.5	3.7
N,N-Dimethyl Acrylamide	11.000 ^b	-	-
Vinyl Acetate	3.700	8.4	7.3
Methyl Acrylate	2.090	8.0	7.1
Acrylonitrile	1.960	-	-
Methyl Methacrylate	734	7.0	6.3
Styrene ^c	145	6.7	7.3
Butadiene	100	8.1	9.3
Isoprene	50	8.1	9.8

^a at 25°C. ^b at 50°C. ^c Also reported k (60°)= 176; $\log A = 7.0$, e $E_{att} = 7.8$

Absolute Rate Constant for the Addition at 25°C of Carbon Radicals to Olefins

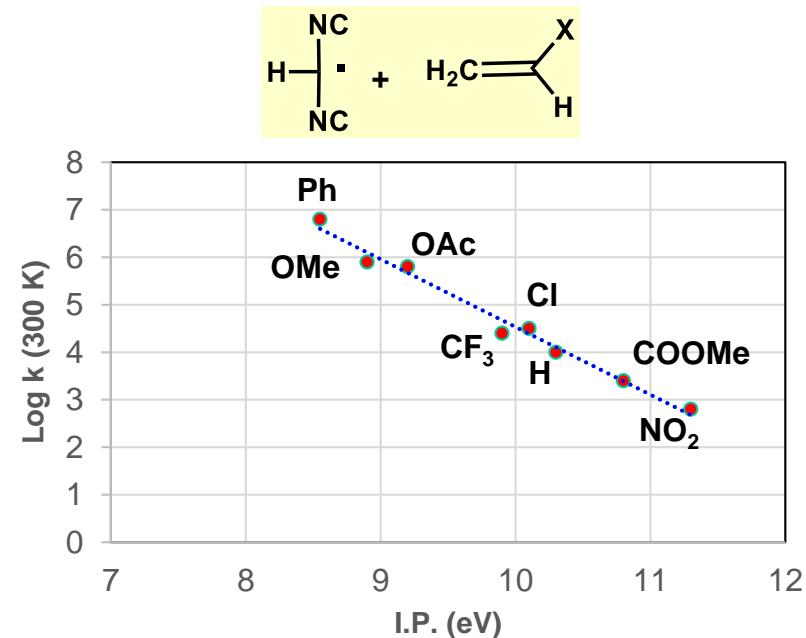
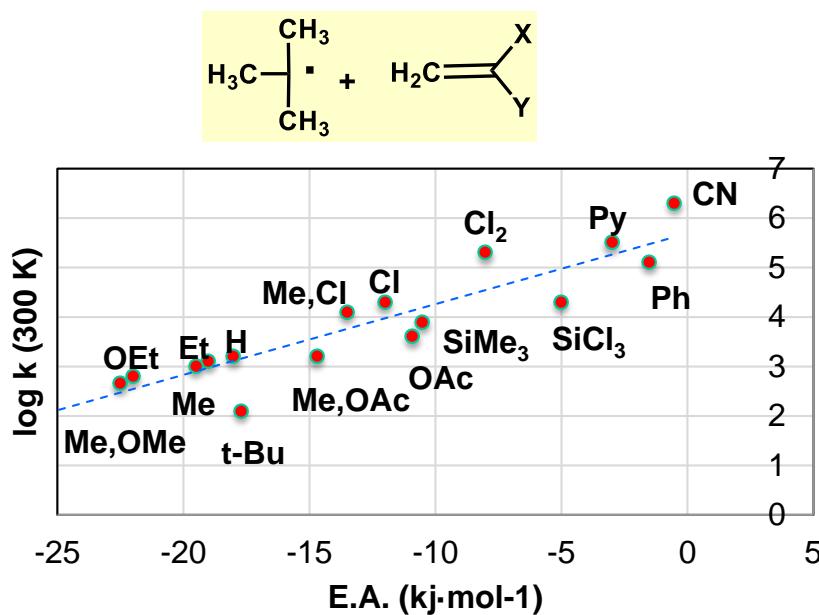


X, Y	k $(\text{CH}_3)_3\text{C}^\cdot$	k $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}^\cdot\text{OH}$	$k/10^3$ NCCH_2^\cdot	k $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{C}^\cdot\text{OH}$	$k/10^3$ $(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{CCOOCH}_2^\cdot$	k HOCH_2^\cdot	k PhCH_2^\cdot
H, OEt	390	108	43	320	150	180	14
Me, OMe	220	82	35	1080	140	33	-
Me,OCOMe	1700	79	52	4850	88	680	-
H, Ph	13200	2410	380	2.2×10^6	1900	2.3×10^4	1300
Cl, Cl	35000	603	33	2.15×10^5	270	5.3×10^4	550
H, COOMe	-	367	110	$> 10^7$	490	7.1×10^5	450
H, CN	2.4×10^6	2020	110	$> 10^8$	540	1.1×10^6	2200
H, CHO	-	1200	25	-	380	2.1×10^6	-

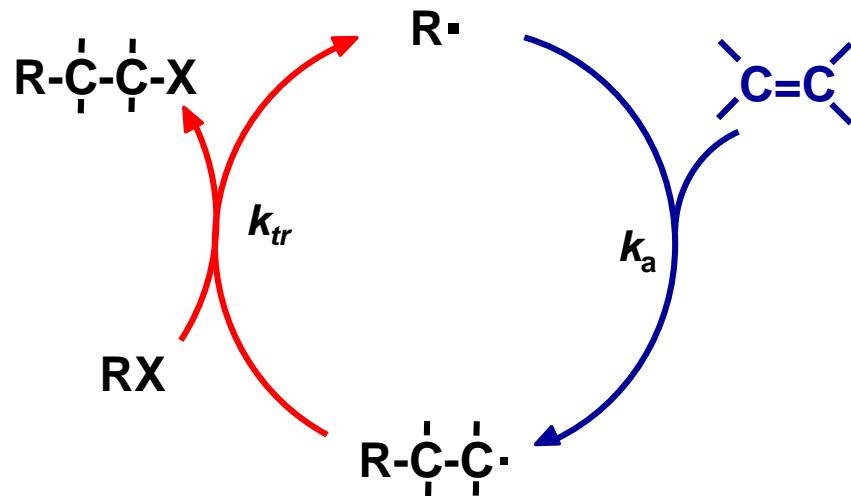
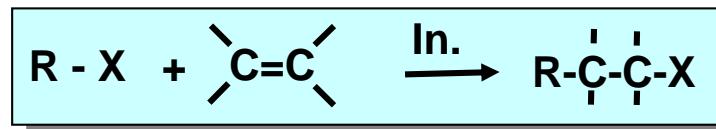
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General Trends of Rates

- For nucleophilic 1°, 2° and 3° alkyl radicals k_a is proportional to EA
- For alkyl radicals substituted by electron-donor groups (very nucleophilic) k_a is roughly proportional to EA
- For alkyl radicals substituted by electron-withdrawing groups (electrophilic) k_a is proportional to IP
- Benzyl and allyl radicals (nucleophilic) react inefficiently owing to stabilization.



Direct (Simple) Addition

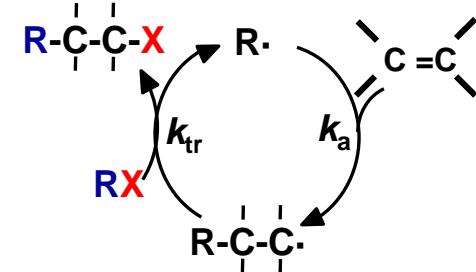
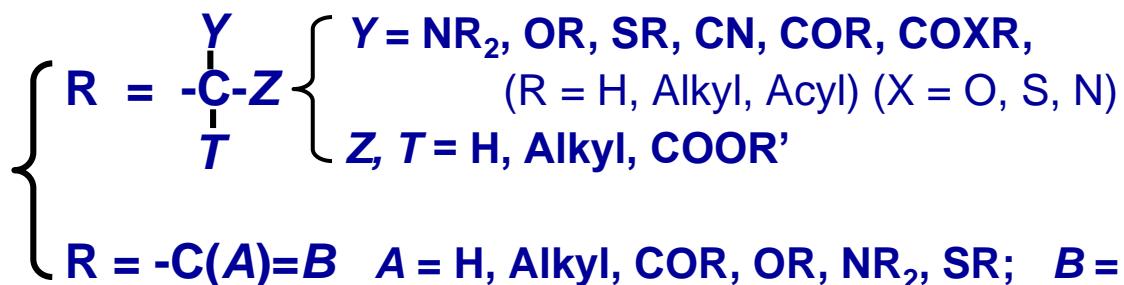


- THERMAL OLEFINS
- THERMAL ACETYLENES
- CYCLOALKENES
- Internal olefins/acetylenes

R-X can be quite structurally different (but needs a k_{tr} sufficiently high to sustain the chain!) and frequently is used as solvent.

Substituents in the Direct Addition

X = H R = Halo, SR, PR₂, P(OR)₂, SnR₃, SiR₃, GeR₃



Vogel, *Synthesis*, 1970, 99. Sosnovsky, "Free Radical Reactions in Preparative Organic Chemistry" (Mc Millan, N.Y.) 1964. Walling, 1957. Giese, B. 1986. Curran 1992. Crich 1992.

X = Cl, Br, I R = H, Halogen, SR, SiR₃, NO, NO₂, SO₂R
 R = -C(Halogen)_nH_{3-n}, -CR₂COOR, R_f

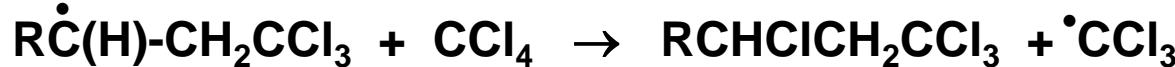
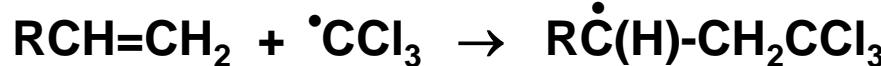
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R.Kh. Friedlina, *Synthesis*, 1977, 145 e *Russ. Chem. Rev.* 1984, 53, 222. Curran, 1994

X = BR₂ R = Alkyl

H.C. Brown, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 1970, 92, 710 e 3503. *Angew. Chem. I. E.*, 1972, 11, 693..

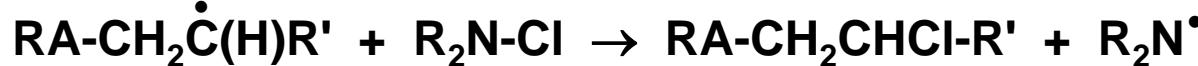
Simple Chain Radical Additions (Atom Transfer)

A) Polyhalomethanes

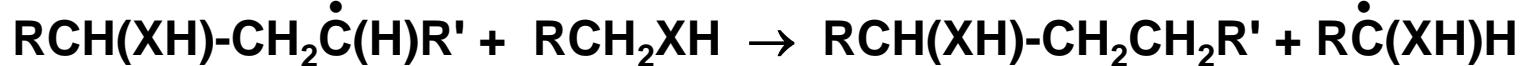
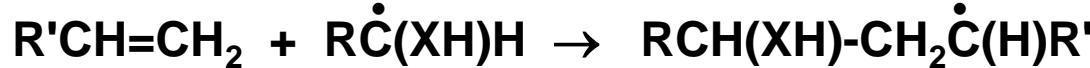


The transfer shows the order: $CX_3-X > CHX_2-X > CH_2X-X > CH_3-X$
(X = halogen atom)

B) N-Haloamines



C) Amines, Alcohols (X = O, NR")

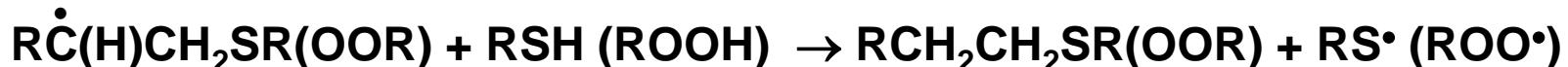


Simple Chain Radical Additions (Hydrogen Transfer)

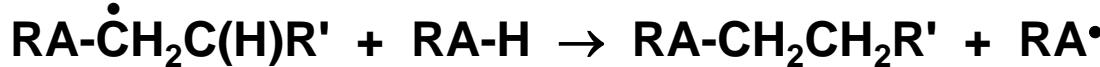
D) Esters (X =COOR, Y = H, Cl, COOR, CN, etc.)



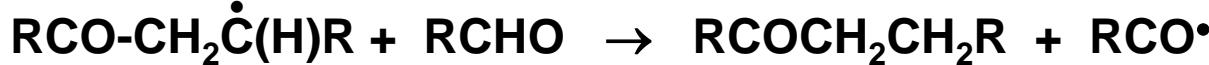
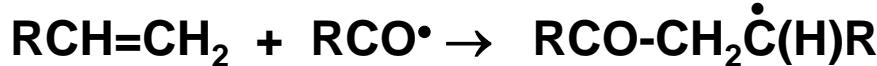
E) Mercaptans and Hydroperoxides



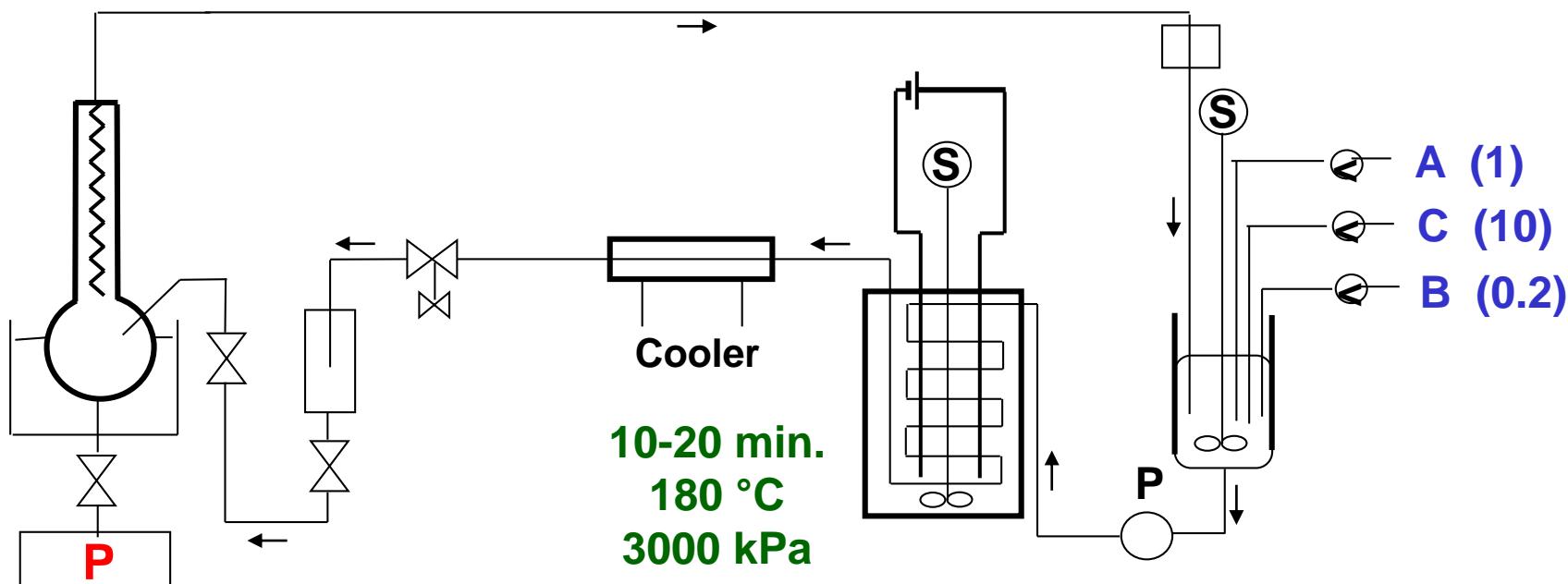
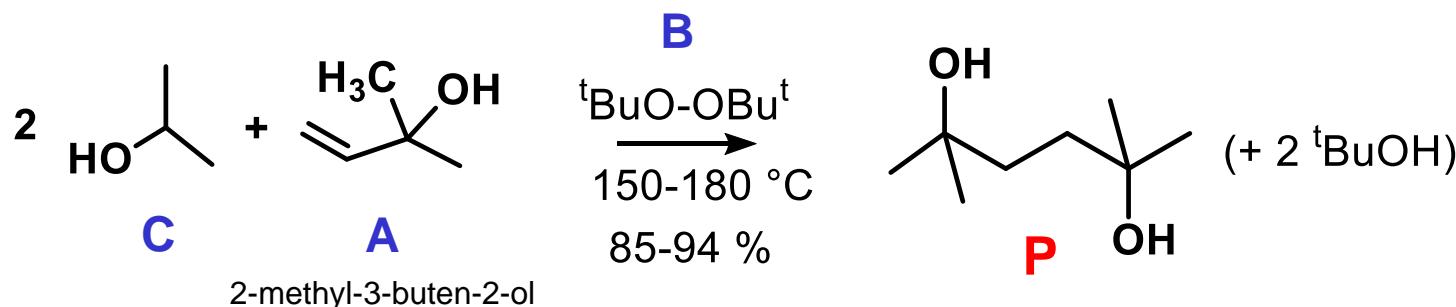
F) Organometallic Hydrides (A = Alkyl-Hg, Sn, Ge, Si, etc.)



B) Aldehydes (ketons)



Continuous Synthesis of 2,5-Dimethylhexandiol



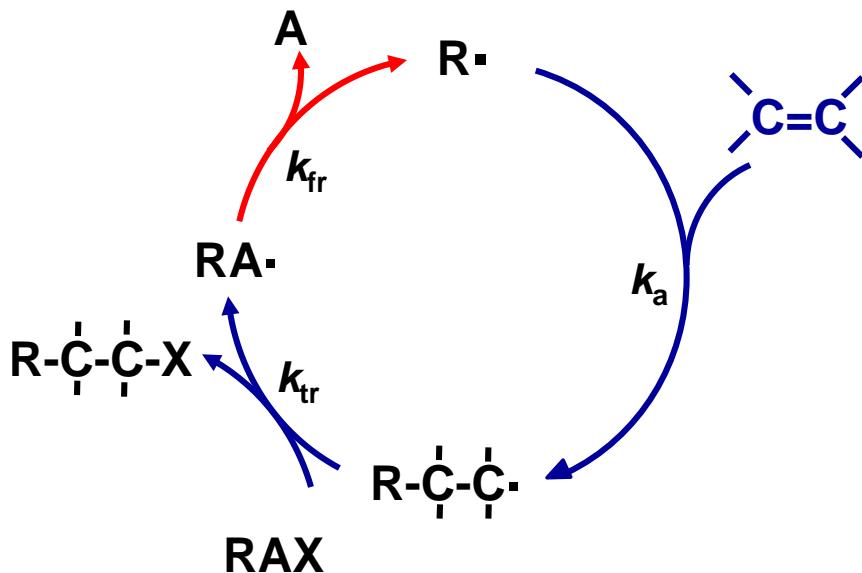
97% pur., 85% sel.

Peroxid-Chemie G.m.b.H., U.S. Patent US 5831134 (1998)

Synthetic Strategy “Fragmentation/Addition”



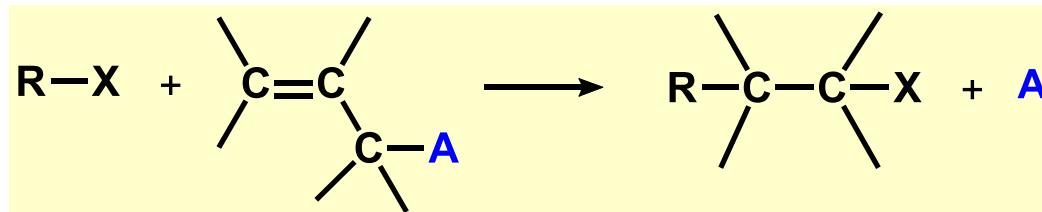
Based on fragmentation of weak bonds *alfa* to the radical center of precursor RAX before addition.



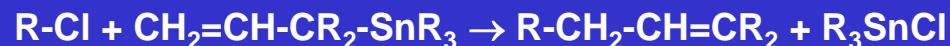
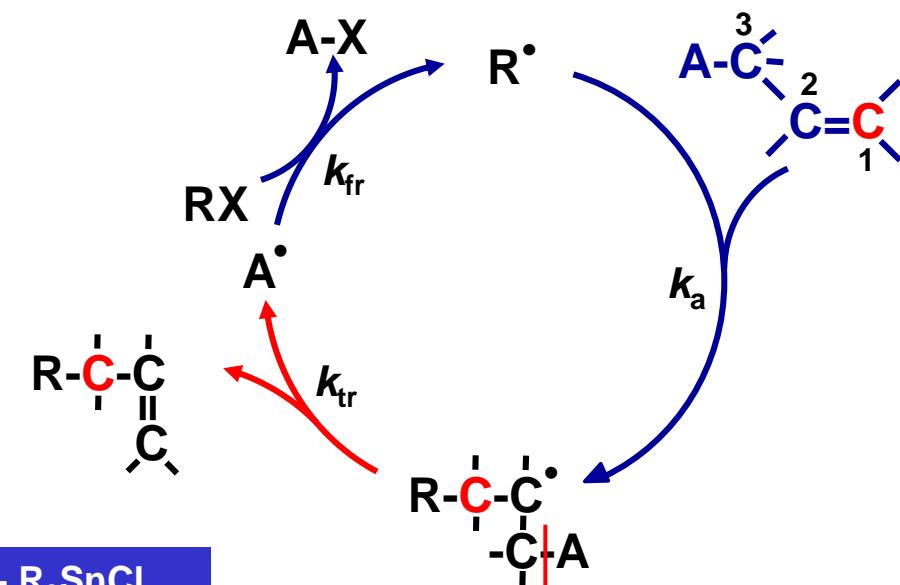
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Synthetic Strategy

“1-Addition/3-Fragmentation”

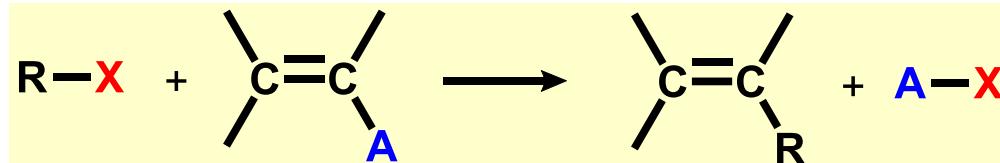


Based on fragmentation of weak bonds C-A (allylic) in *beta* position to the radical center after the addition to the olefin.

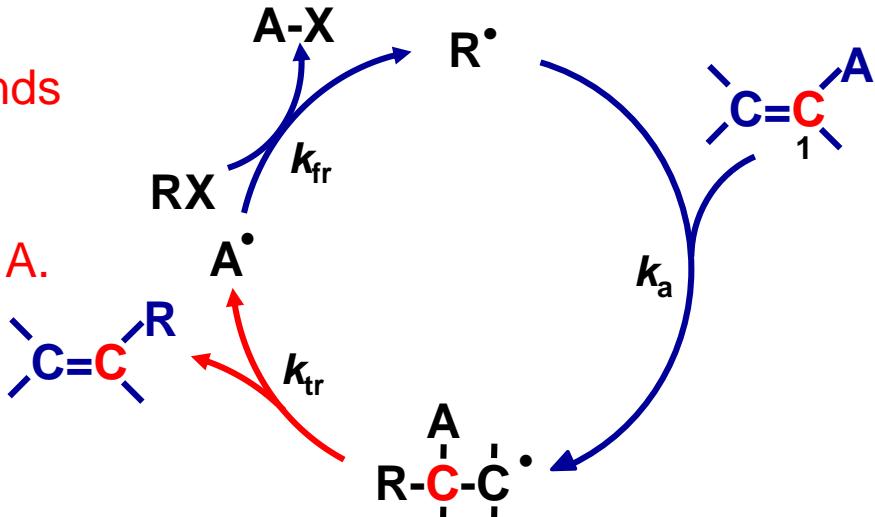


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Tetrahedron, 1985, 41, 4079; Baldwin, *J. Org. Chem.* 1985, 25, 3211.

“1-Addition/1-Fragmentation”

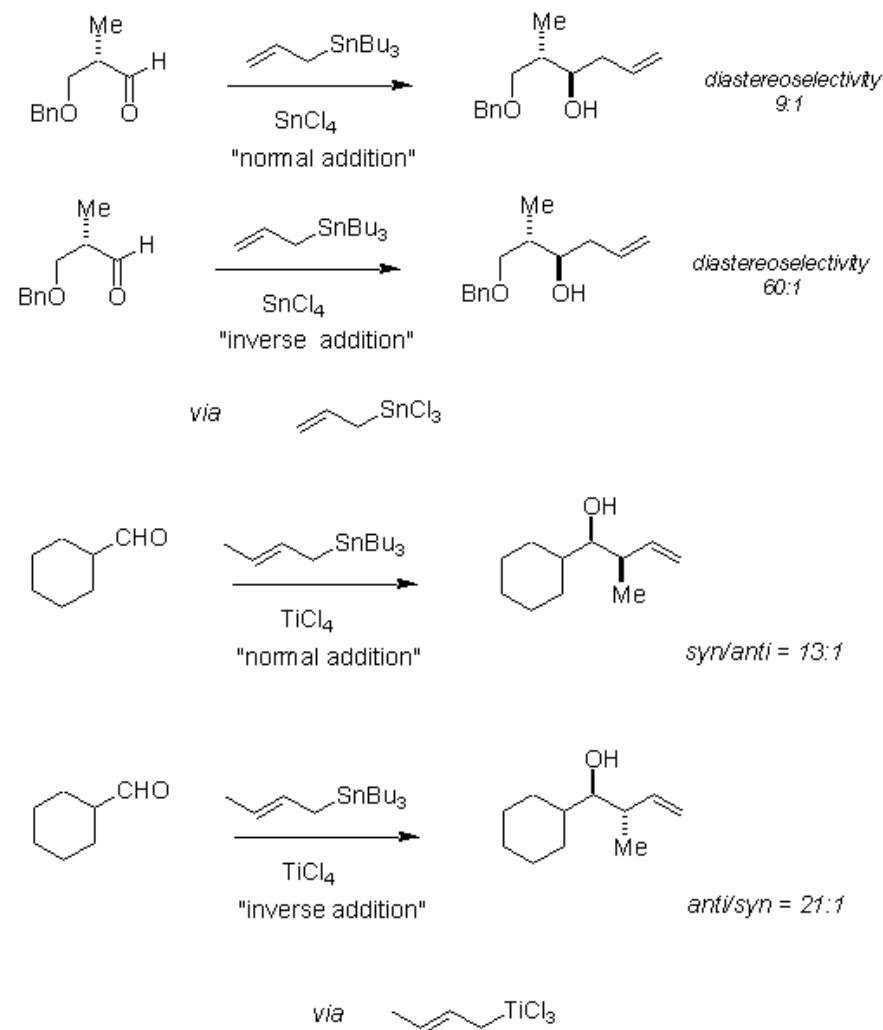
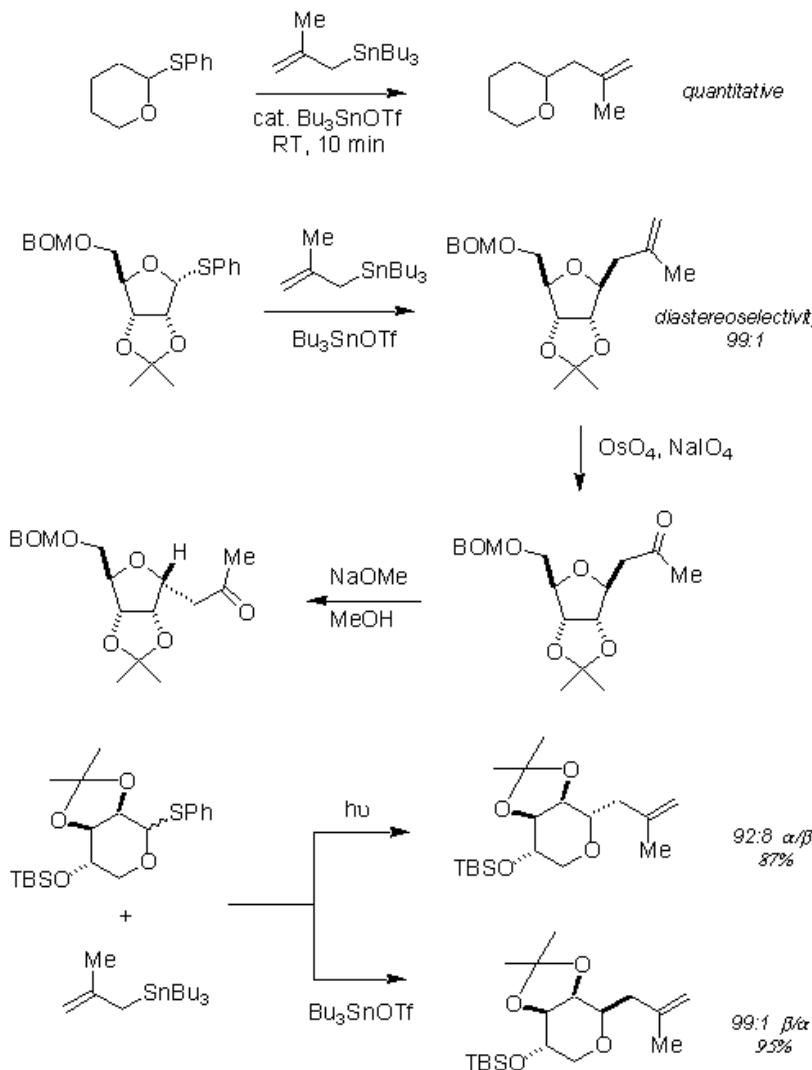


Based on fragmentation of weak bonds
C-A in *beta* position to the radical center after addition to the olefin on
carbon atom bearing the substituent A.

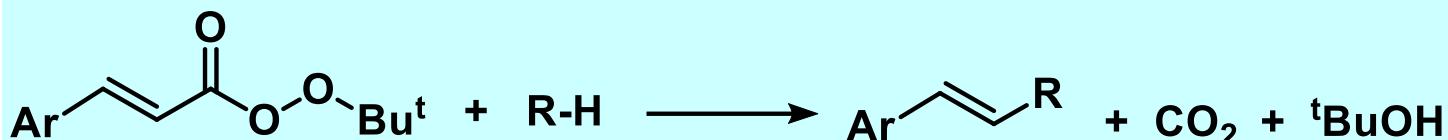


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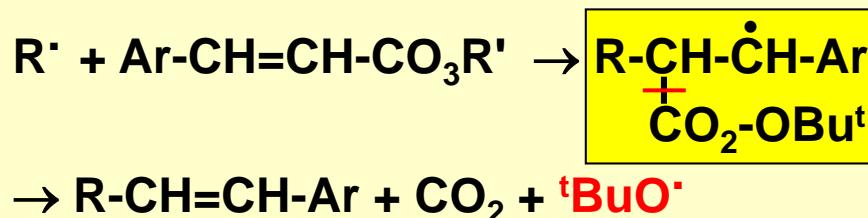
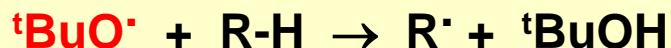
C-Glycosides and Trans Metalation Reactions



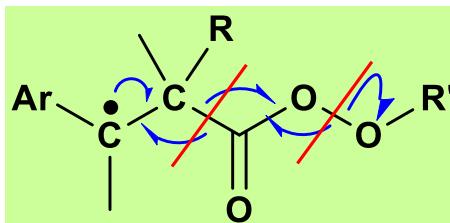
Example of 1-Addition/1-diFragmentation (Insertion of a styryl group on C-H bonds)



Radical Chain



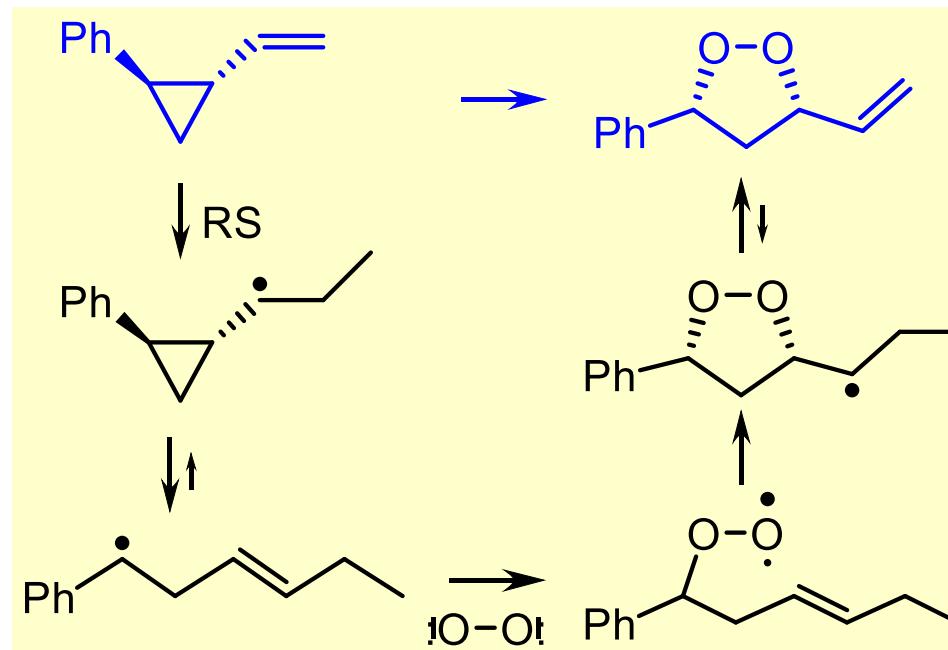
Consecutive *beta* fragmentation of C-CO and O-O bonds.



Radical (R)	Yield %
Cyclooctyl	78
2,3-adamantyl	88
PhCH ₂	86
Dioxanyl	75
DMF	81
PhCO	45
2-THF	85
Polyethylene	75-85

A. Citterio et al. unpublished results

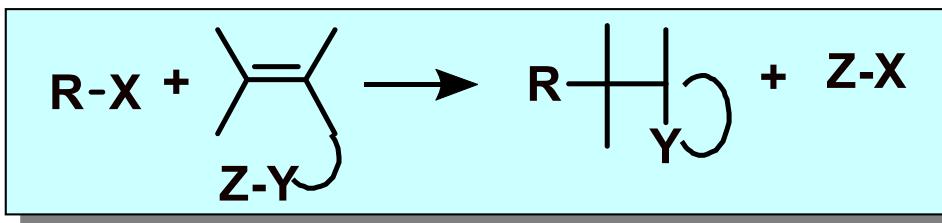
Example of Insertion in Cyclopropane Ring



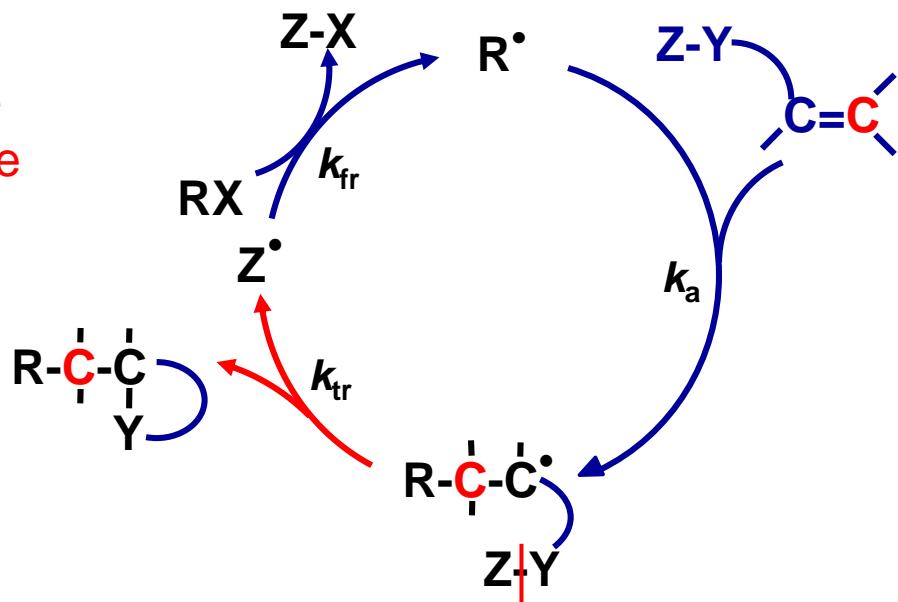
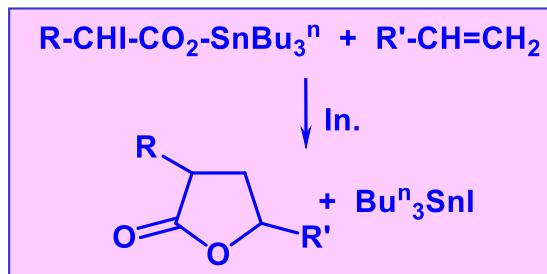
K.S. Feldman, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1986, 108, 1328.

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Synthetic Strategy “Addition/Displacement”

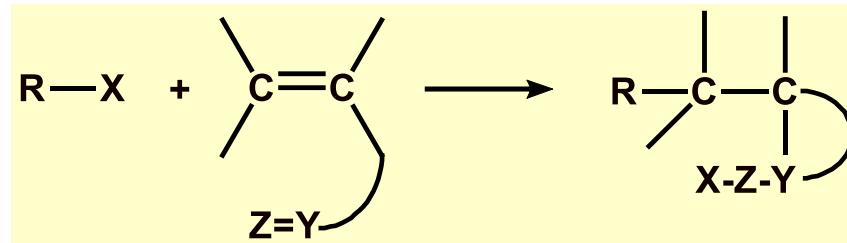


Based on the displacement of weak bonds in appropriate positions to the radical center after the addition to the olefin.

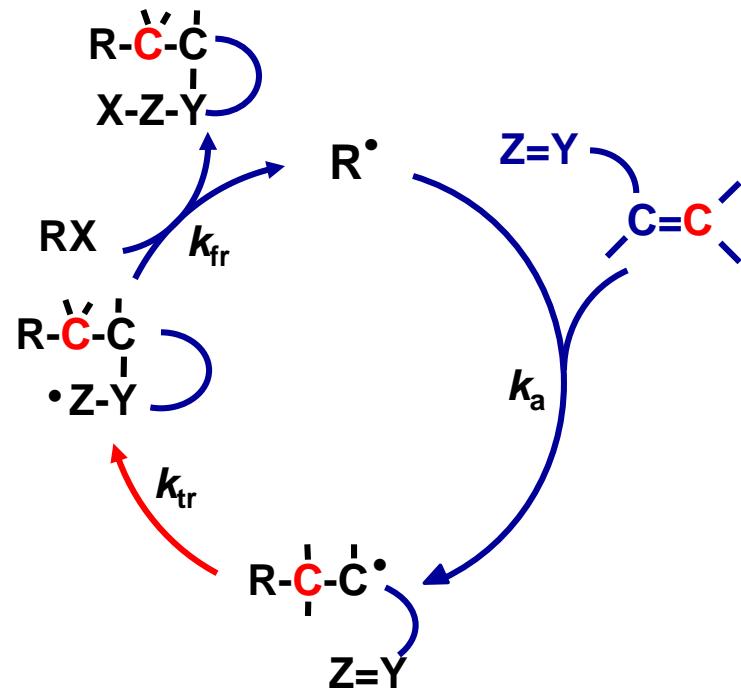
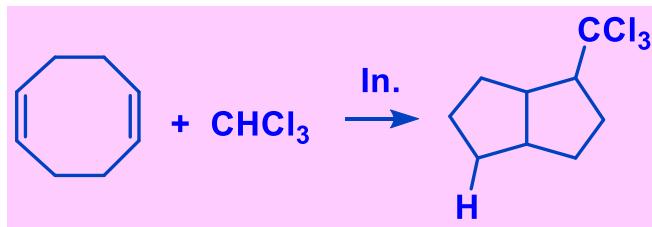


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Synthetic Strategy “Addition/Displacement”



Based on “tandem” additions to unsaturated $Z=Y$ systems at appropriate distance to the radical center of first addition.



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Synthetic Strategy “Assisted Addition”

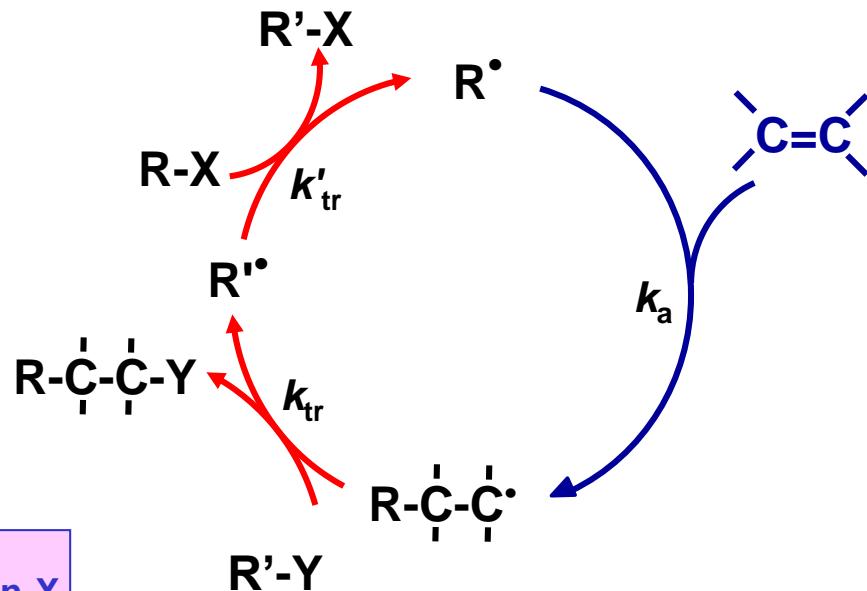


Based on different thermodynamic stability of $R'-X$ compared to $R'-Y$.

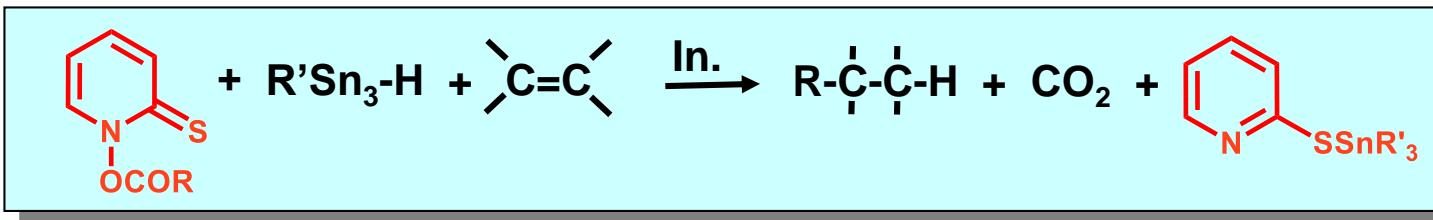


$X = Cl, Br, I, SePh, SR, NO_2$

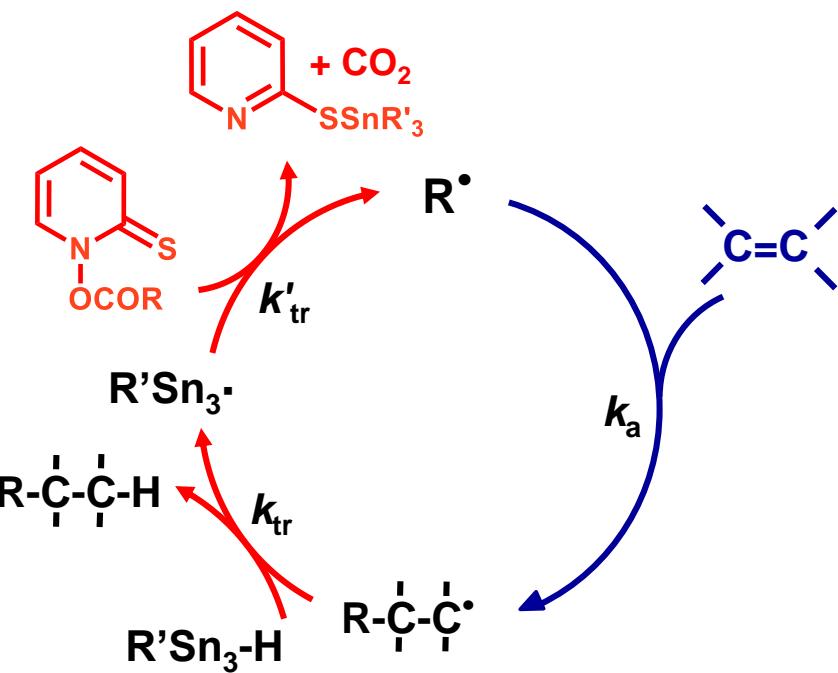
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Assisted Addition/Fragmentation

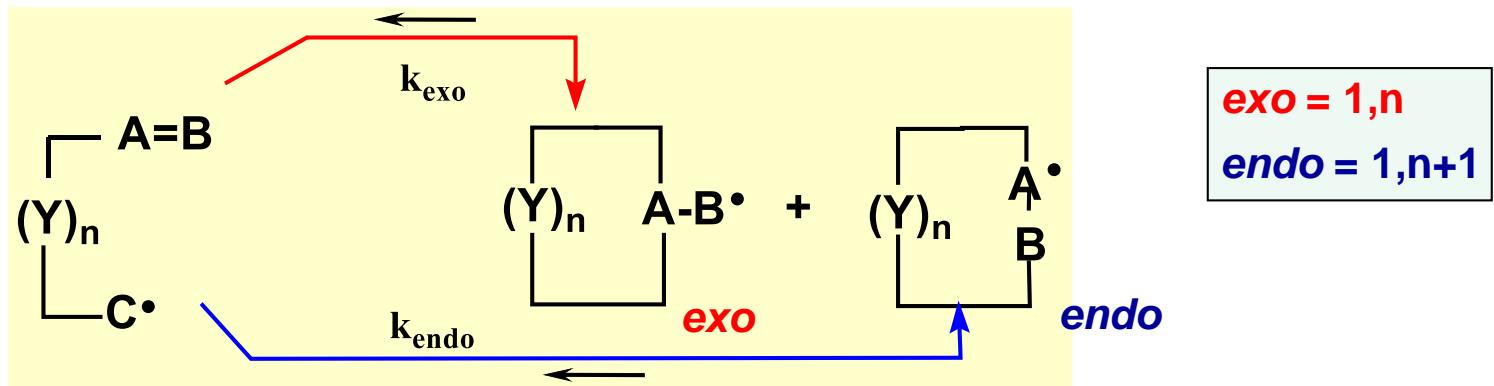


Based on the easy addition of radicals on thiocarbonyl group (C=S) and to consecutive fragmentation of α-oxyaminoalkyl radical induced by aromatization.



D.H.R. Barton, *Heterocycles*, 1984, 21, 1;
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Homolytic Cyclizations on Unsaturated Systems

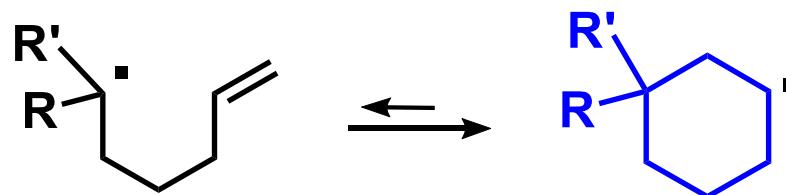
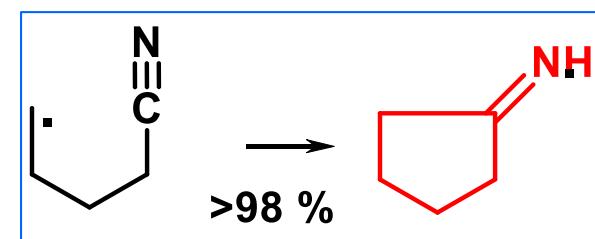
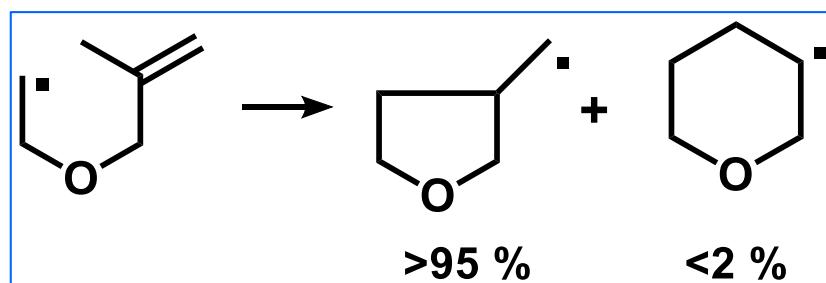
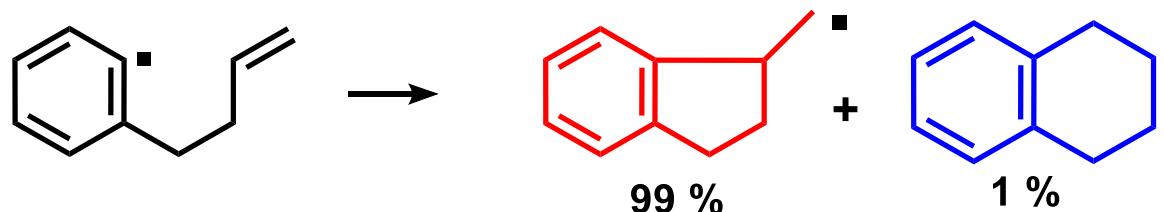
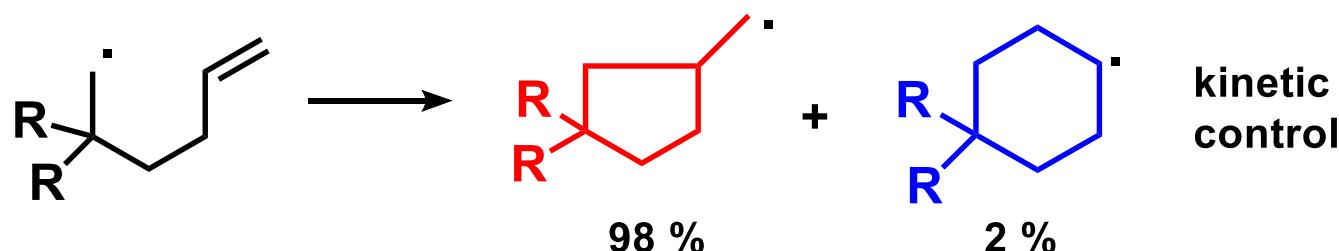


Radical	% exo	k_{exo} (s^{-1})	k_{endo} (s^{-1})
	100	1.8×10^4	-
	100	7×10^{-1}	-
	98	2.3×10^5	7×10^3
	85	1.1×10^4	1.9×10^3
	100	3×10^2	-
	100	4.6×10^4	-

Rate constants (65°C)
for ring closure of
 ω -alkenyl radicals

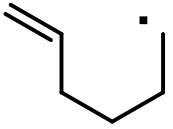
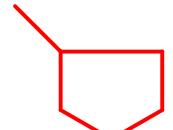
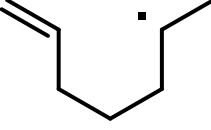
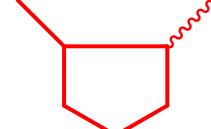
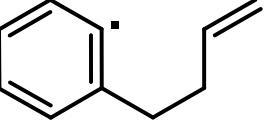
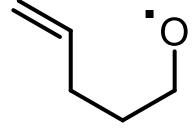
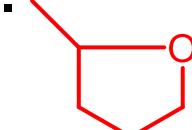
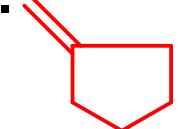
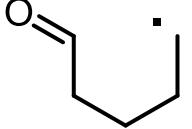
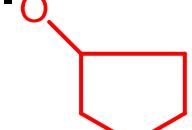
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Regioselectivity in the 1,n-Cyclization

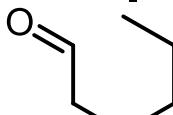
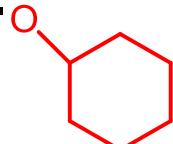
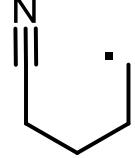
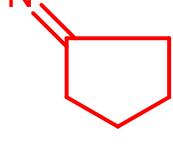
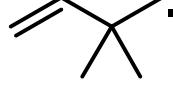
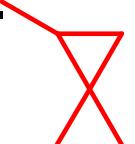
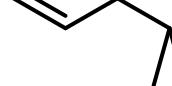
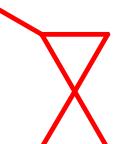
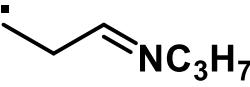
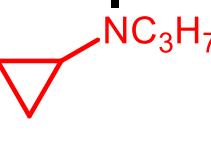


thermodynamic control
 $R = CO_2Et, R' = CN (>95\%)$
 $R = R' = CH_3(1\%), exo (99\%)$

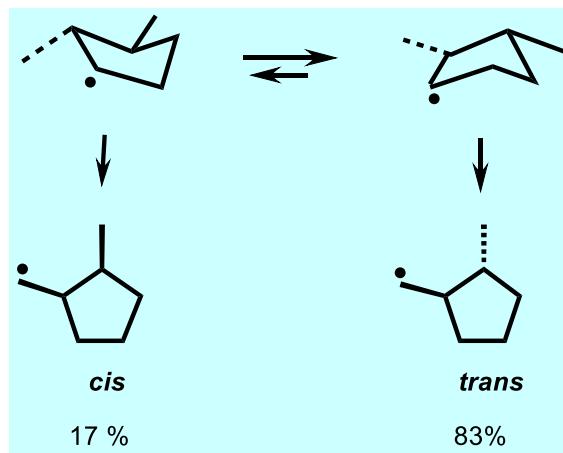
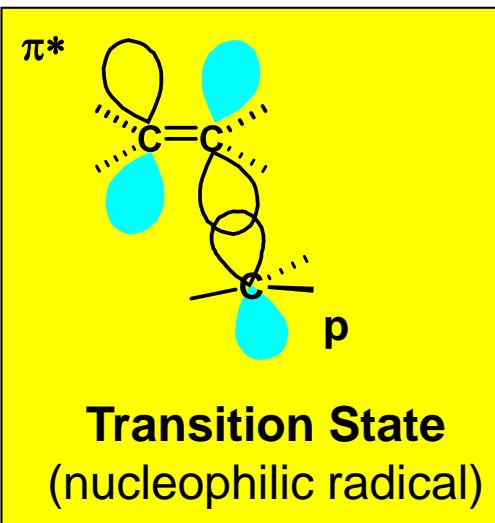
Cyclization-Opening Rate of Relevant Radicals (at 25 °C)

Initial radical	cyclized radical	k_c (s ⁻¹)	k_o (s ⁻¹)
		2.3×10^5	-
		1.0×10^5	-
		5×10^8	-
		6×10^8	-
		1×10^5	-
		8.7×10^5	4.7×10^8

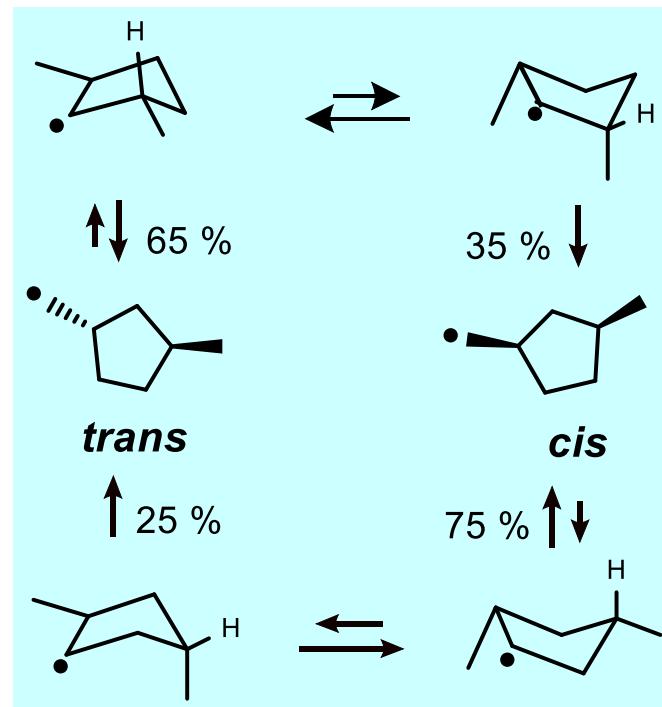
Cyclization-Opening Rate of Relevant Radicals (at 25°C)

Initial radical	↔	cyclized radical	k_c (s ⁻¹)	k_o (s ⁻¹)
	↔		1×10^6	1.1×10^7
	↔		4×10^3	-
	↔		1.7×10^7	3×10^8
	↔		$< 3 \times 10^4$	1.7×10^9
	↔		-	2.5×10^7

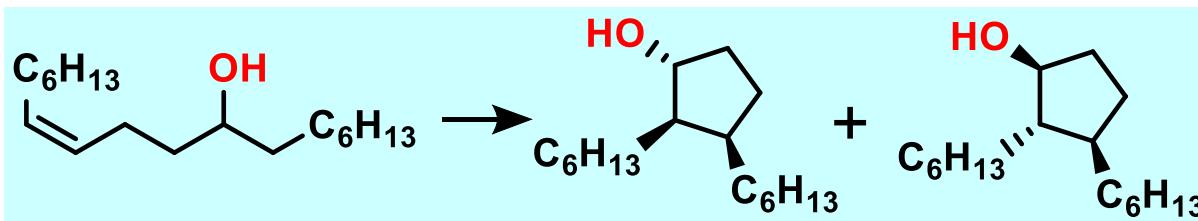
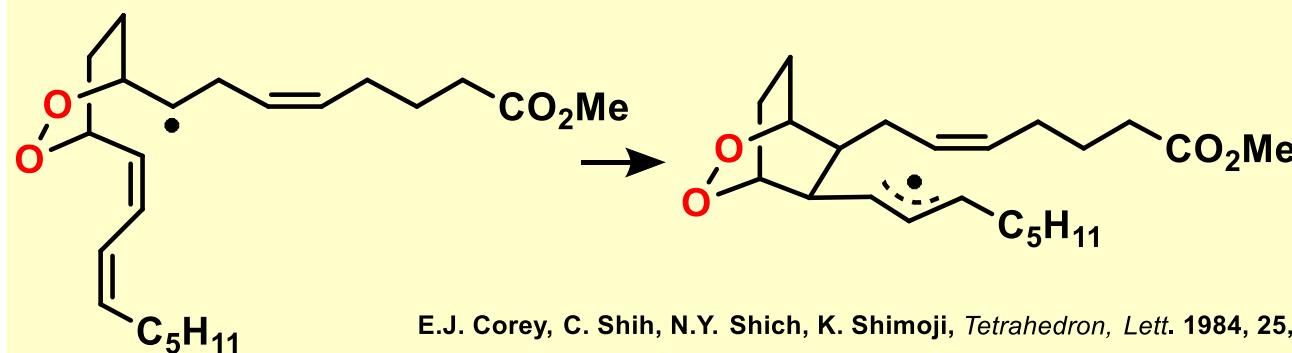
Substituent Effects on Stereochemistry



2- and 4- substituted 5-Hexenyl radicals afford *trans*-cyclopentanes, whereas the 1- e 3-substituted afford *cis*-cyclopentanes.



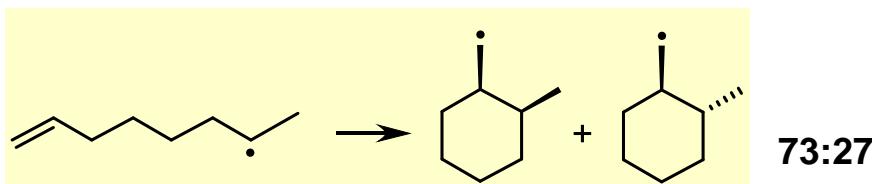
Examples of Radical Cyclization



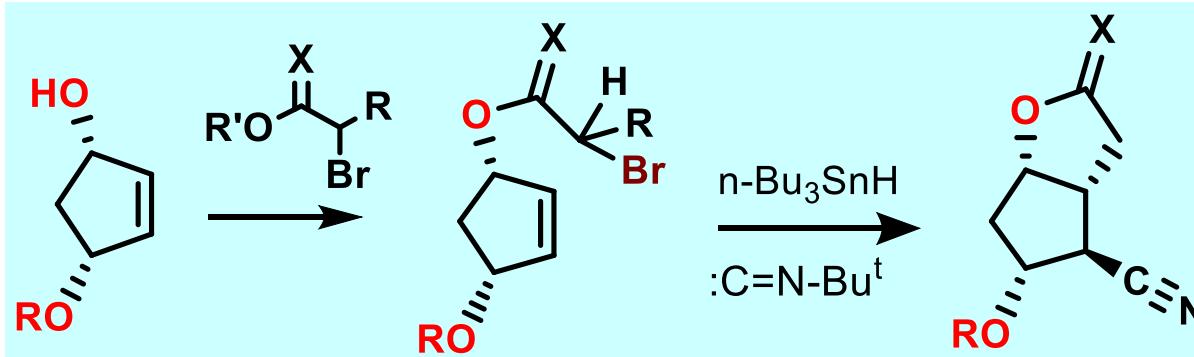
D.G. Wujek, N.A. Porter,
Tetrahedron, 1985, 41, 3973

C_6H_6/H_2O 50 : 50
 $C_6H_6/H_2O/Ts$ 70 : 30

Curran *Synthesis* 1988, 417, 489,
Chem. Rev. 1991, 91, 1,
Ramiah *Tet.* 1987, 43, 3541
Jorgensen *JOC* 1990, 55, 9

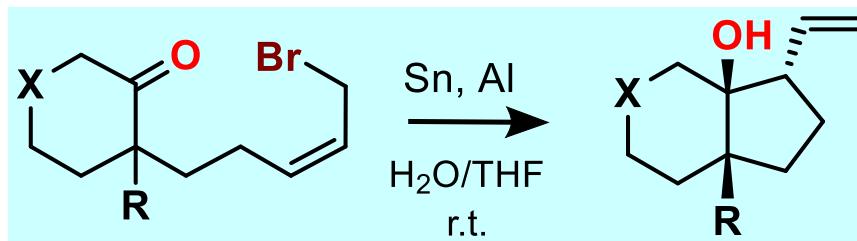


Stereo-chemical Control in Radical Cyclizations



G.Stork, P.M. Sher, H.-L.Chen, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*
1986, 108, 6384; *Bull. Soc. Jpn.* 1988, 61, 149.

$\text{R} = \text{Me}, \text{X} = \text{H,OMe}$ (60%)
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 $\text{R} = \text{THP}, \text{X} = \text{H,OMe}$ (30%)

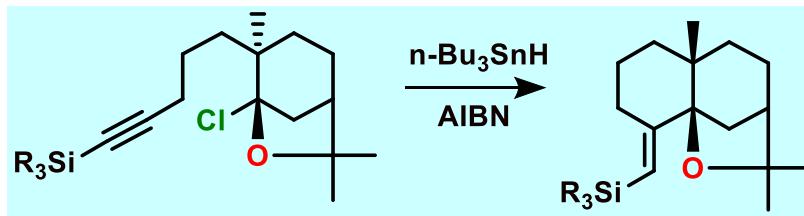


Nokami, *Chem. Lett.*, 1984, 21, 1;

(80%)

Cyclization with Functionality Retention

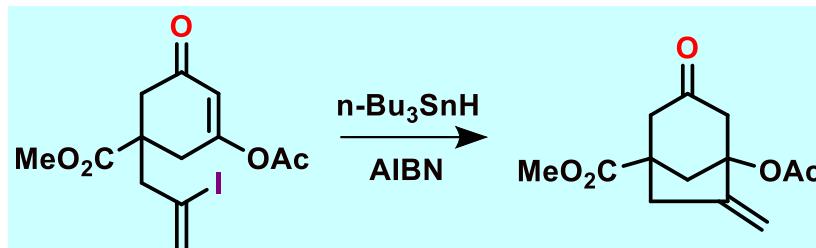
A) Reductive addition to acetyenic or allenic derivatives



G.Buchi, H.Wuest, *J.O.C.* 1979, 44, 546.
D.J.Hart, J.K.Choi, *Tetrahedron*, 1985, 3959.

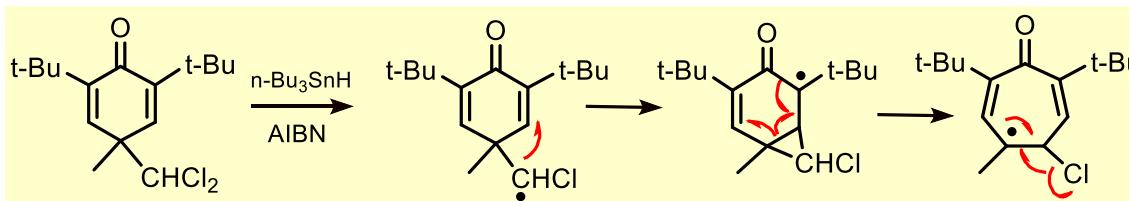
Mainly C-1,6 with bulky substituents

B) Reductive addition of vinyl radicals



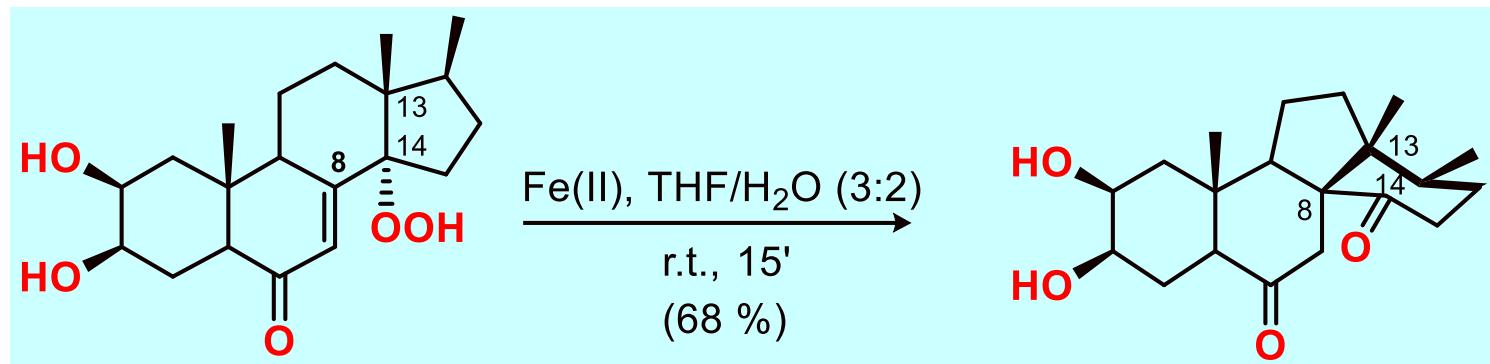
M.N. Marinovic, *Tetr. Lett.*, 1984, 1871;
G. Stork, *J. A. C. S.* 1982, 104, 2321

C) Reductive additions of haloalkyl radicals with rearrangement

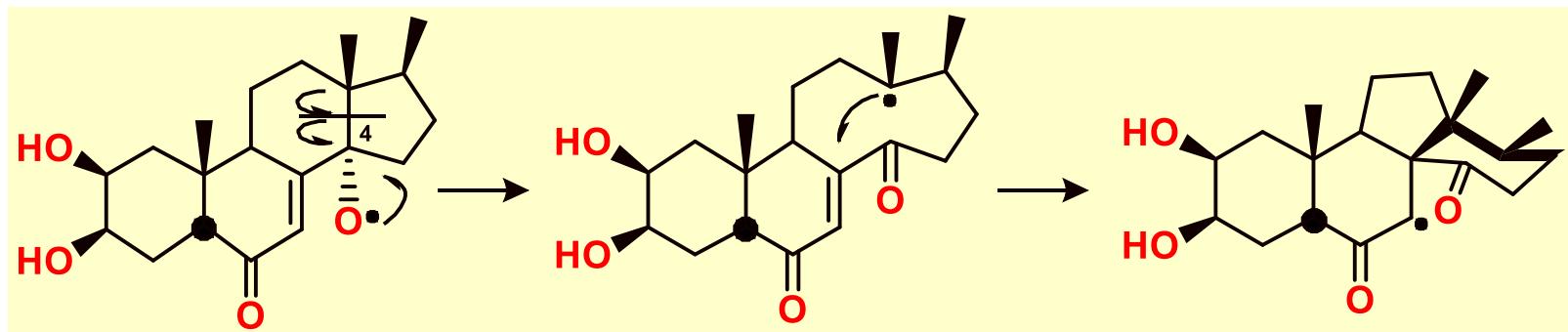


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Intramolecular Fragmentation/Addition

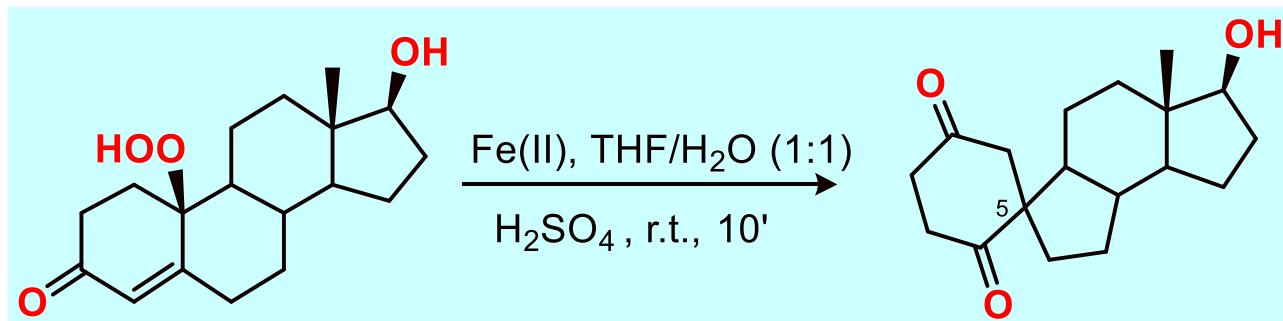


Fused ring rearrangements in the reduction of tertiary hydroperoxides.



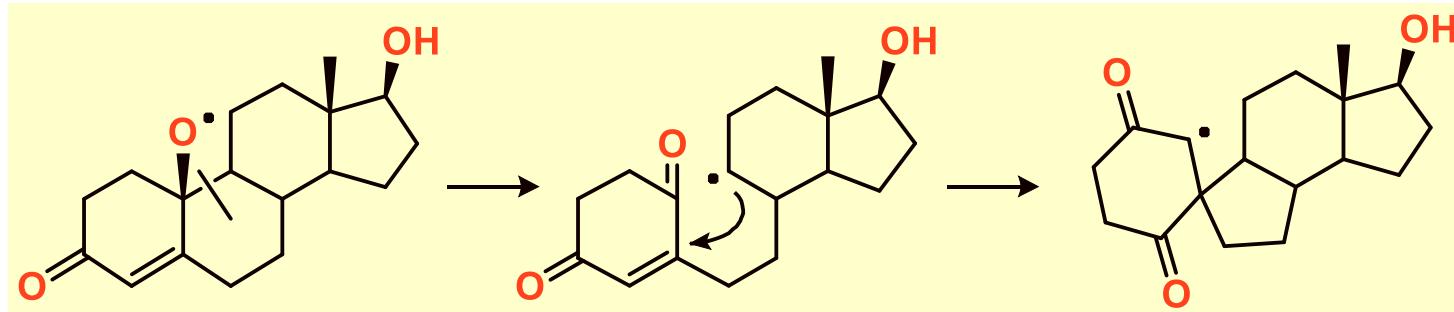
A. Citterio, R. Santi* "Use of Homolytic Redox Processes in Organic Synthesis"
NATO ASI Series, C 260 (F. Minisci Ed.), Kluver, 187 (1989)

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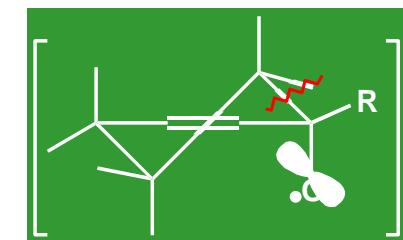
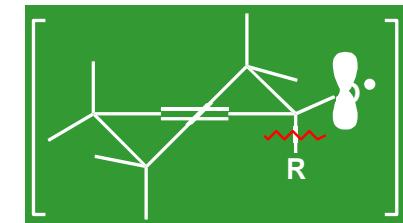
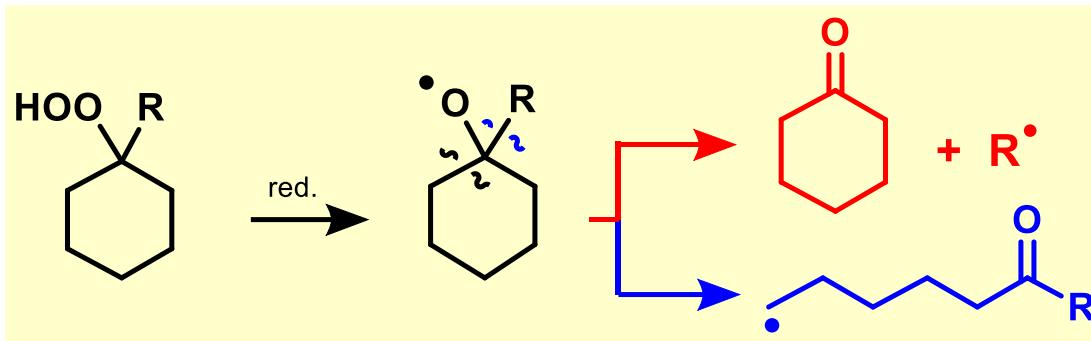


$5R : 5S = 1:1 (65 \%)$

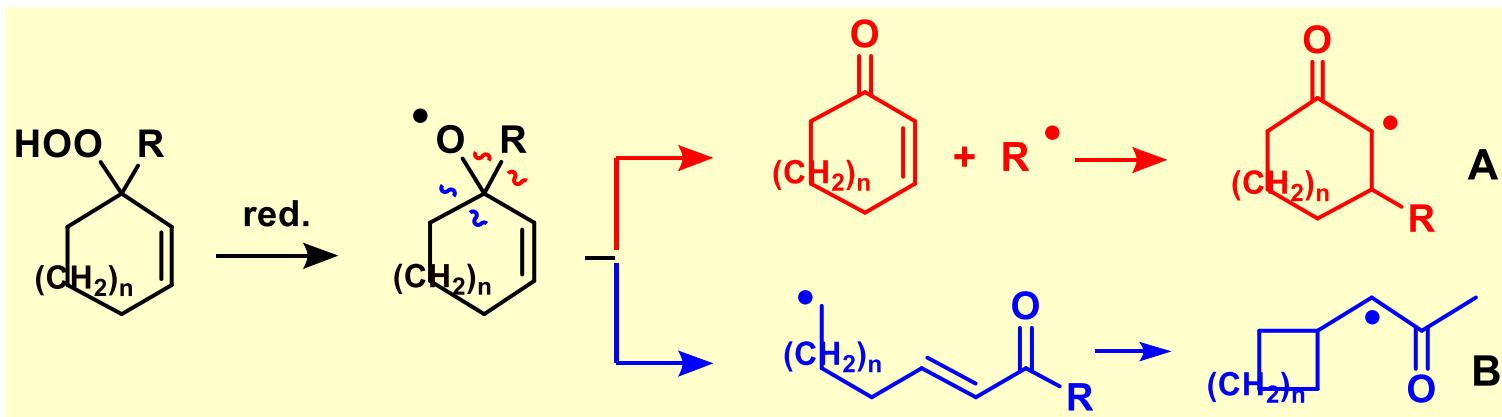
Selective beta-fragmentation, addition non stereo-selective



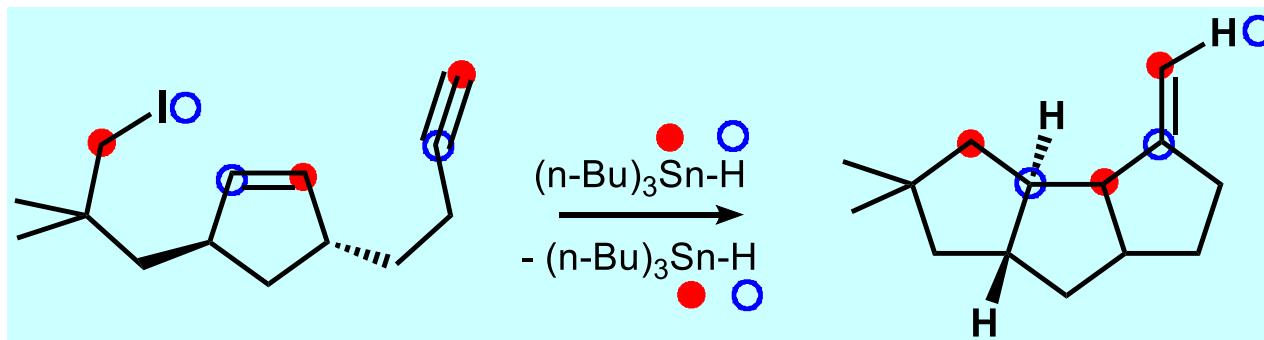
Stereo-selectivity in the Fragmentation of Tertiary and Allyl Hydroperoxides



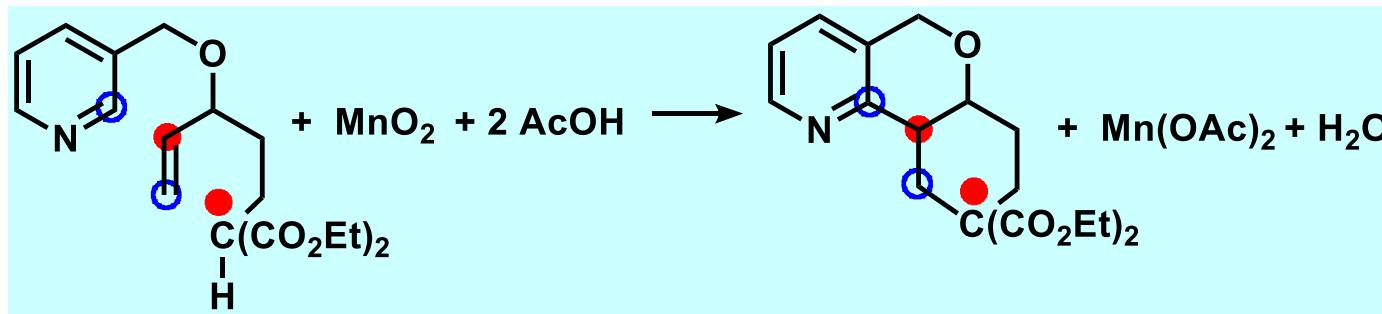
First path preferred or exclusive with bulky R.



Tandem Radical Cyclisations



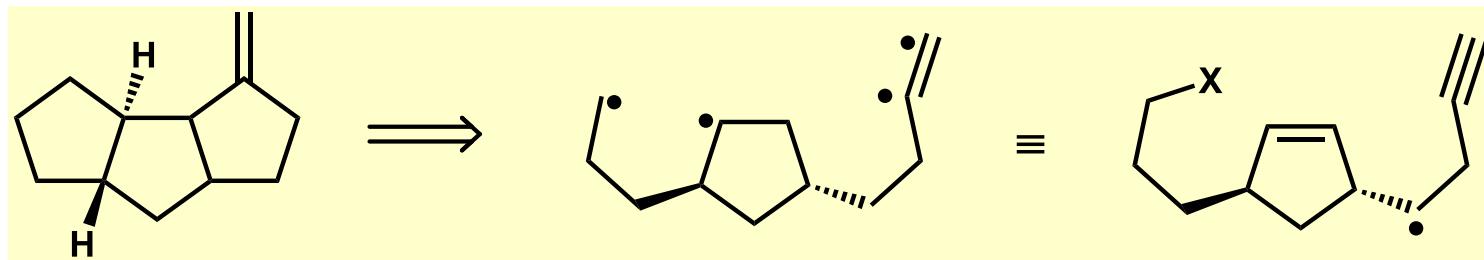
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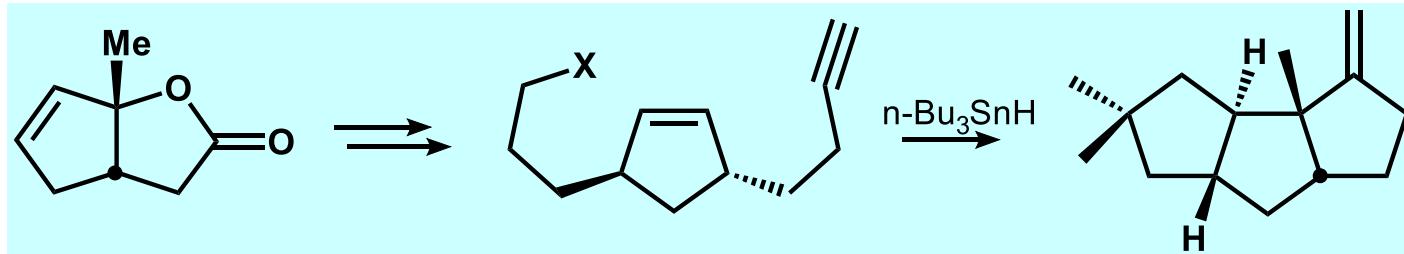
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Tandem Cyclization Design

Linear Triquinanes



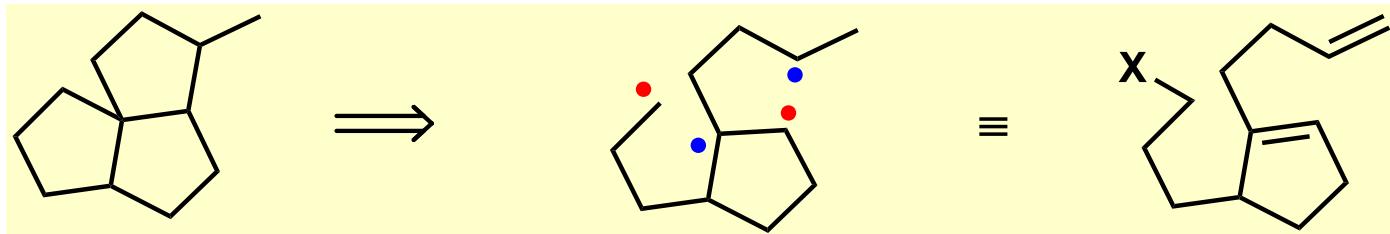
Synthesis of Irsutene



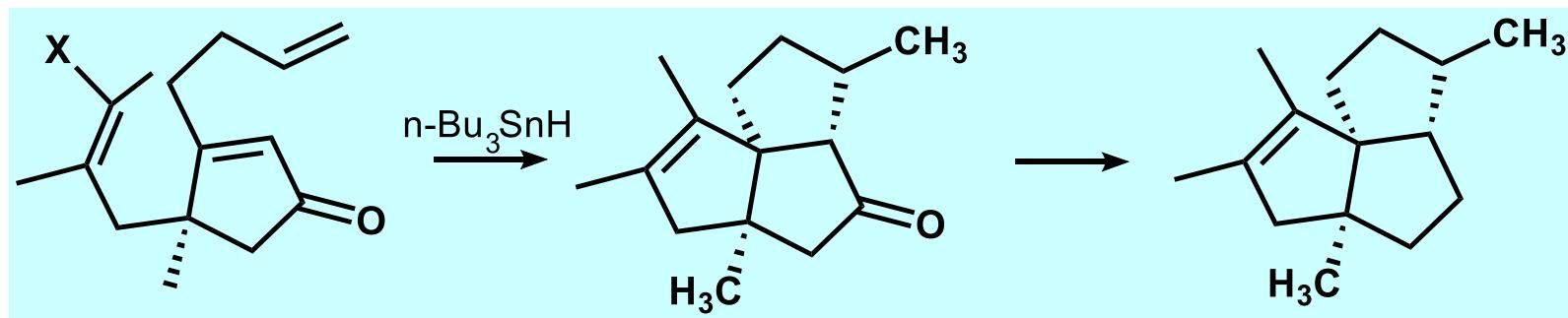
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Angular Triquinanes

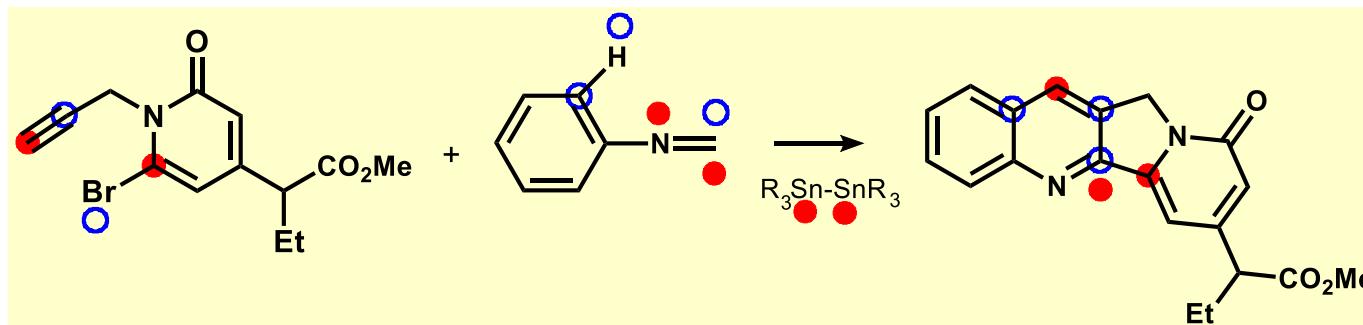


Synthesis of Siliperfolene

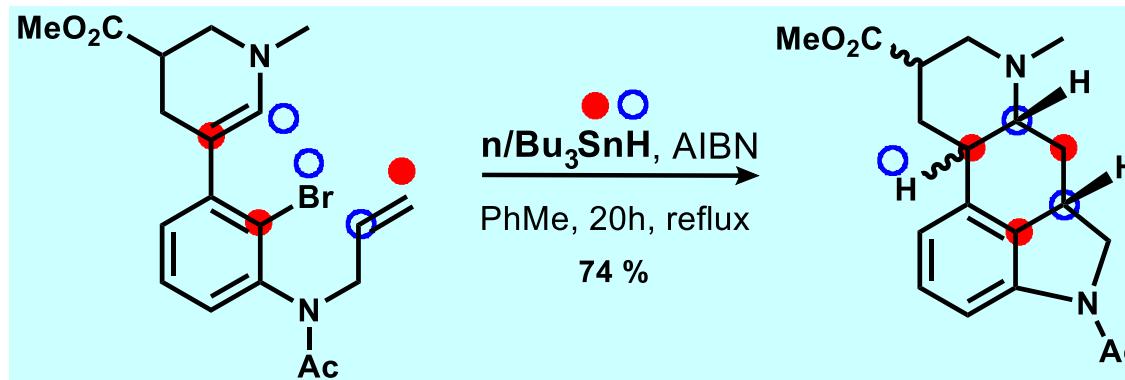


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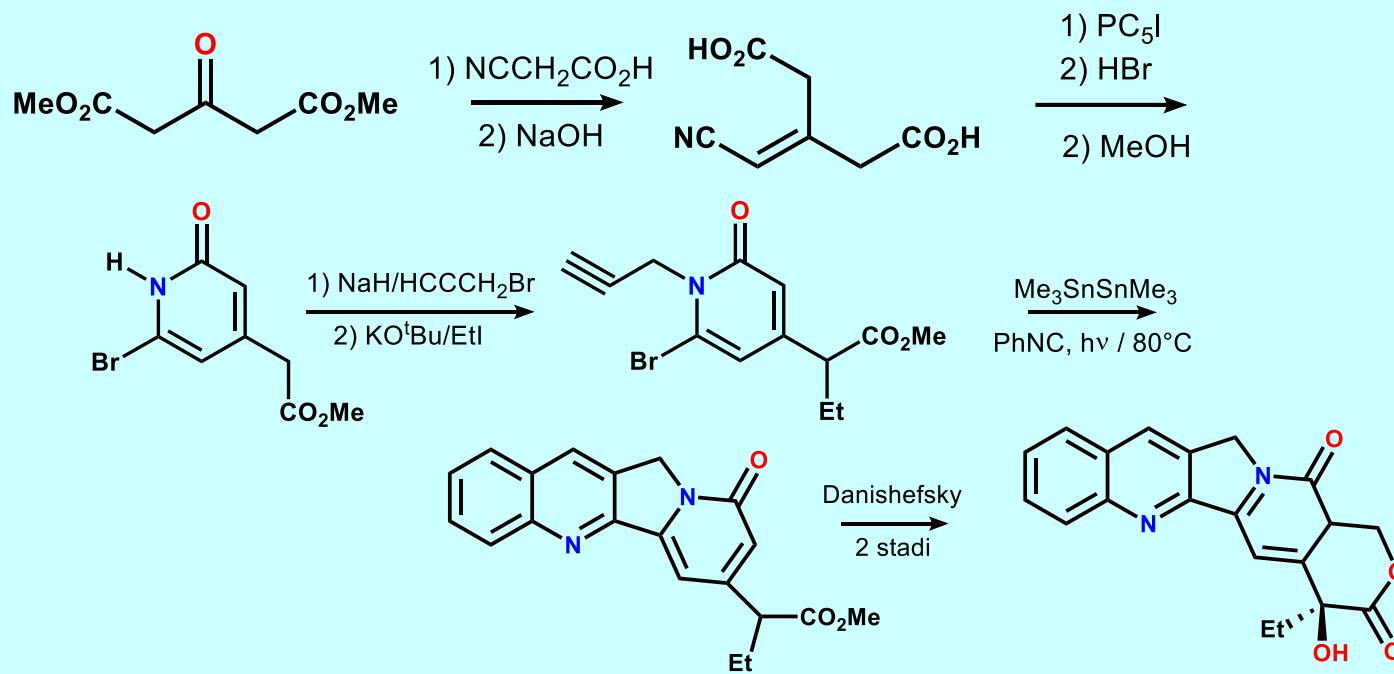
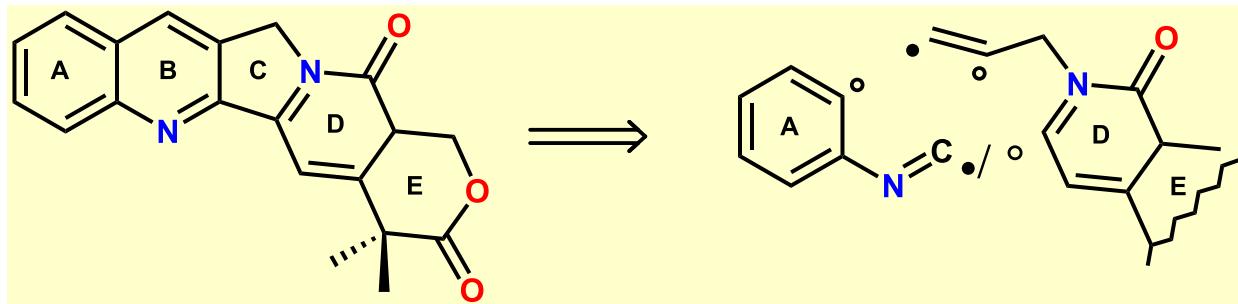


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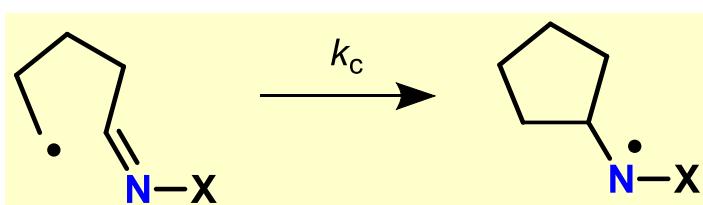


Parsons, *Synlett*, 357 (1993)

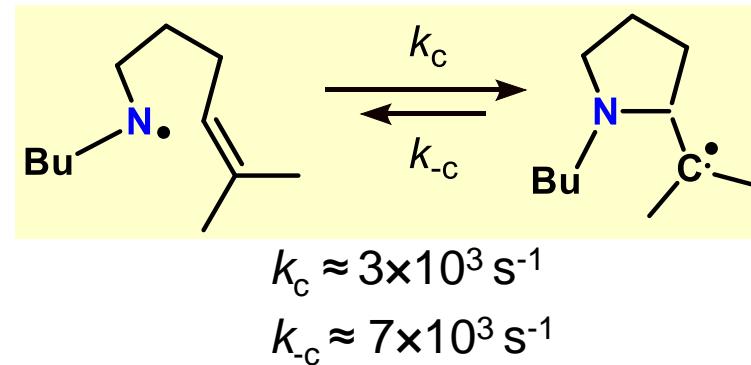
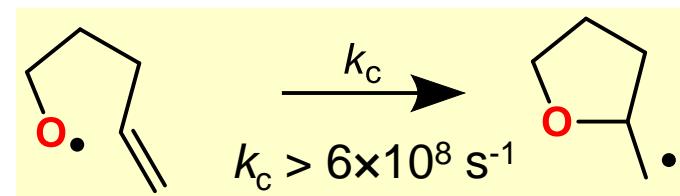
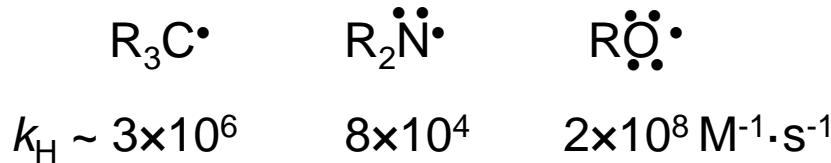
Synthetic Design of Camptotecin



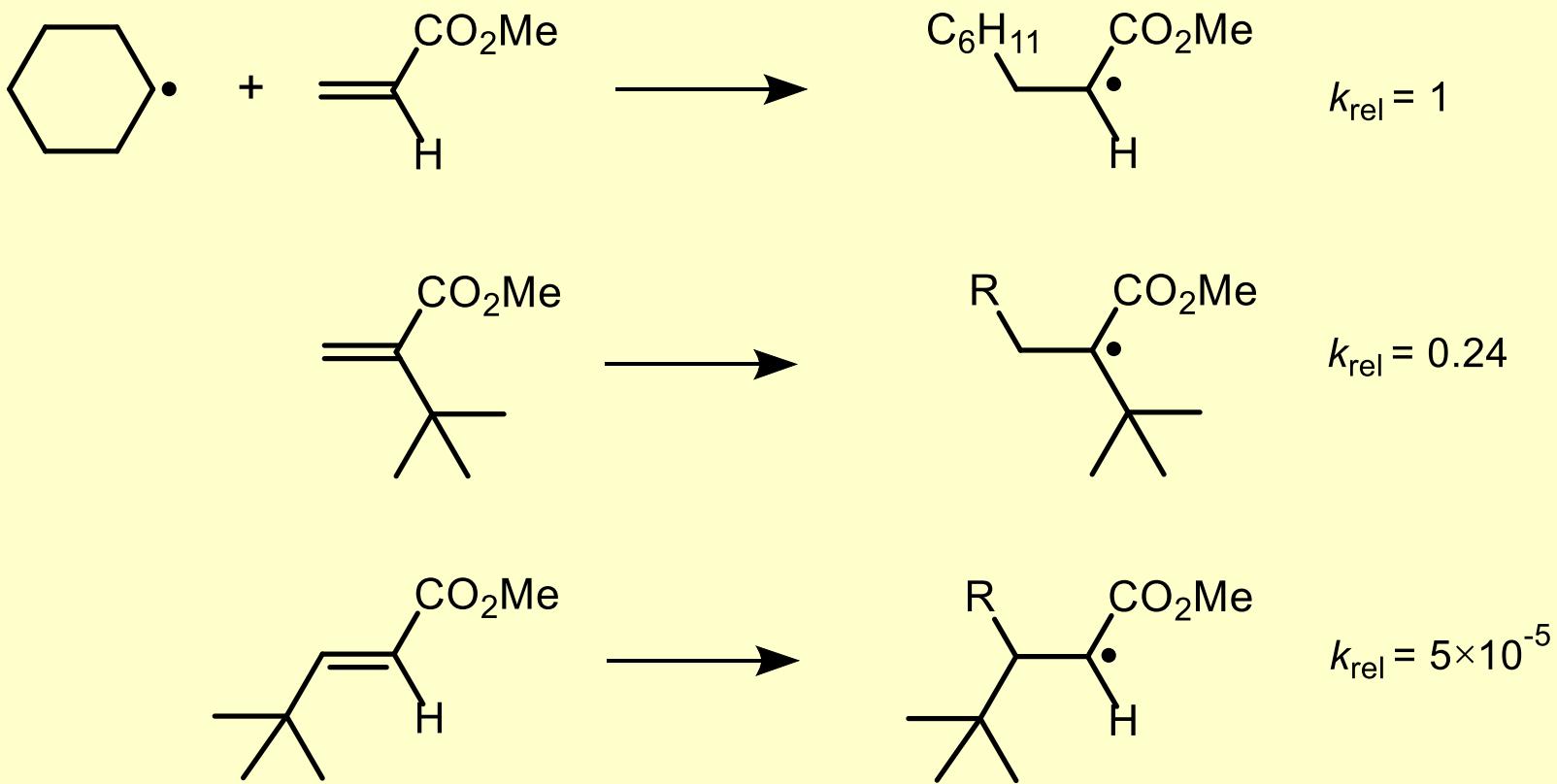
Cyclization of Oxygen-and Nitrogen-Centered Radicals



	$X=\text{CH}_2\text{Ph}$	$k_5 \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$	$k_6 \text{ (s}^{-1}\text{)}$
		6.2×10^6	6.7×10^5
	OBn	4.2×10^7	2.9×10^6
	NMe ₂	7.6×10^7	3.1×10^6

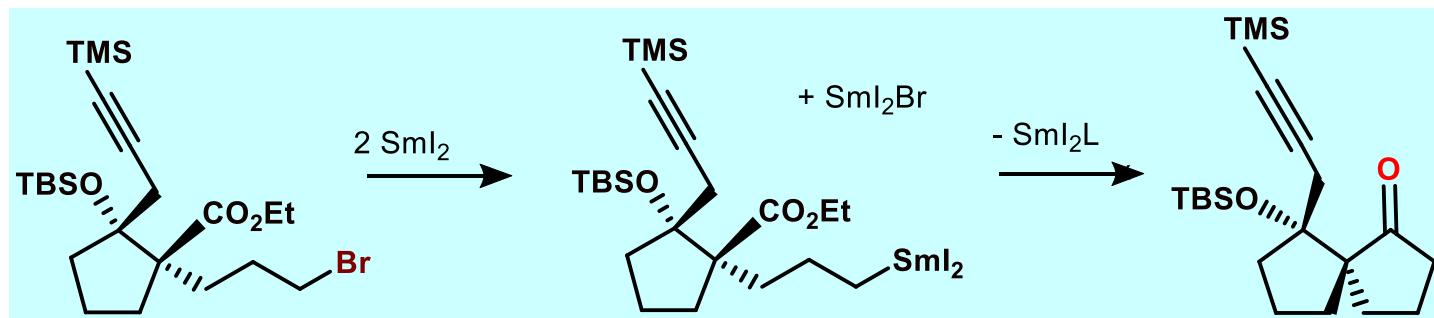
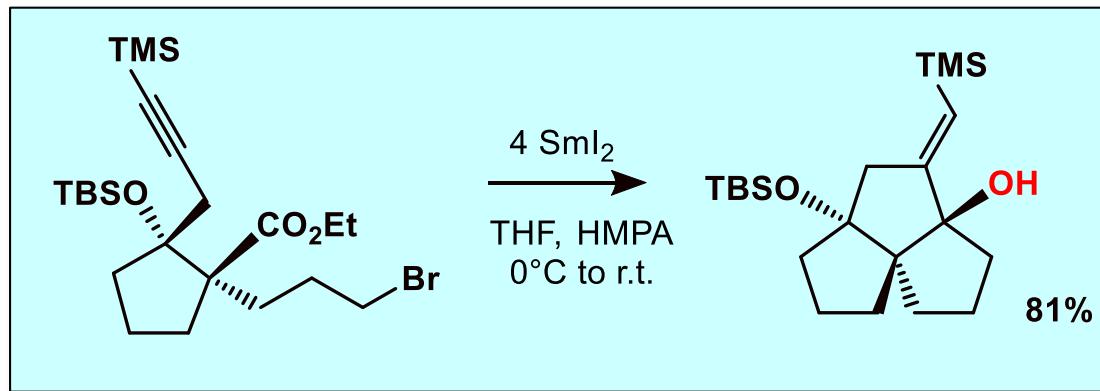


Steric Effect on Radical Addition



Samarium Diiodide Promoted Cyclization

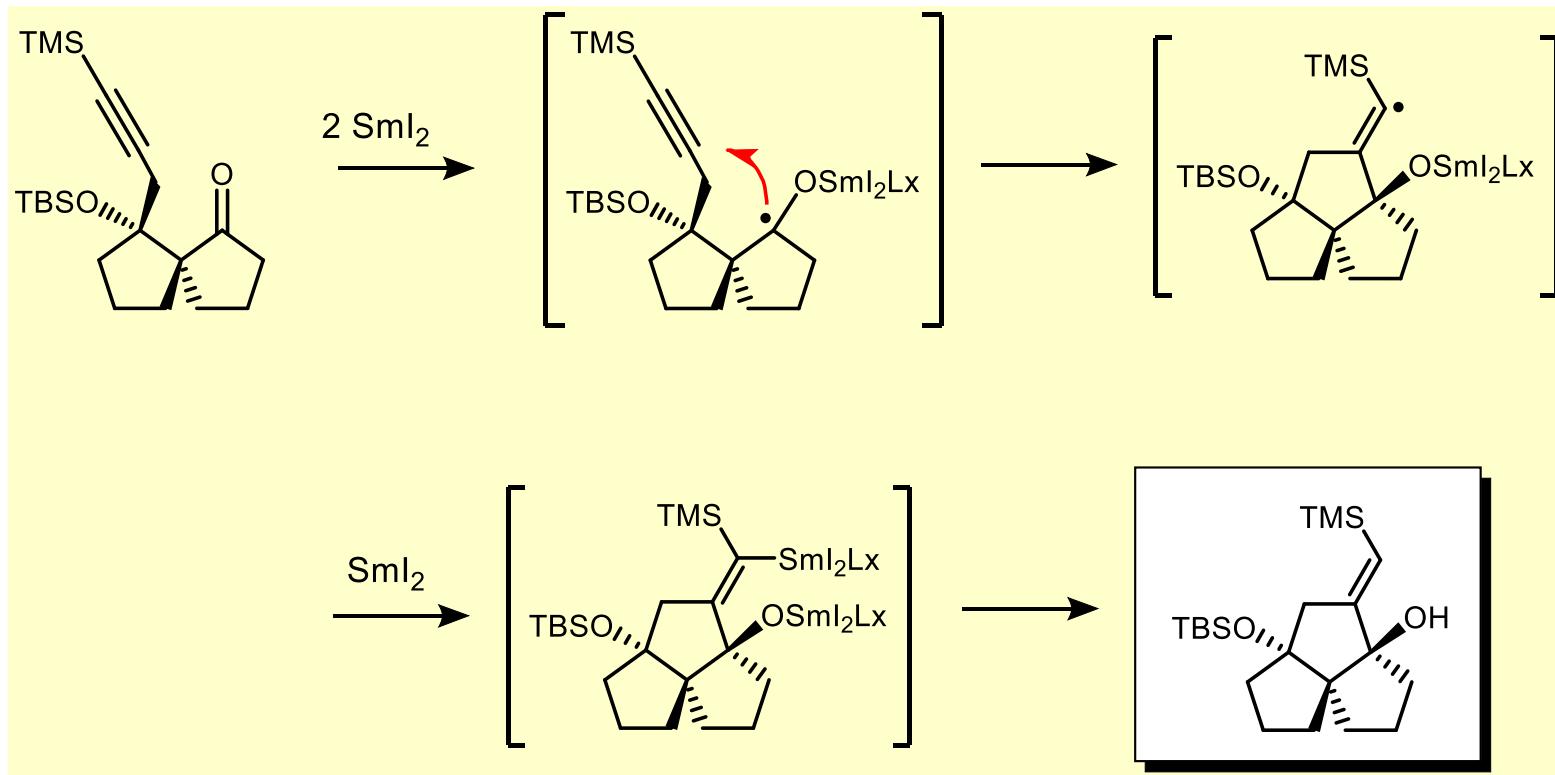
- Tandem Anion/Radical - Step 1: The Samarium Barbier reaction gives a ketone:



Molander, G. A.; Harris, C. R. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1996**, *118*, 4059-4071.

Samarium Diiodide Promoted Cyclization - 2

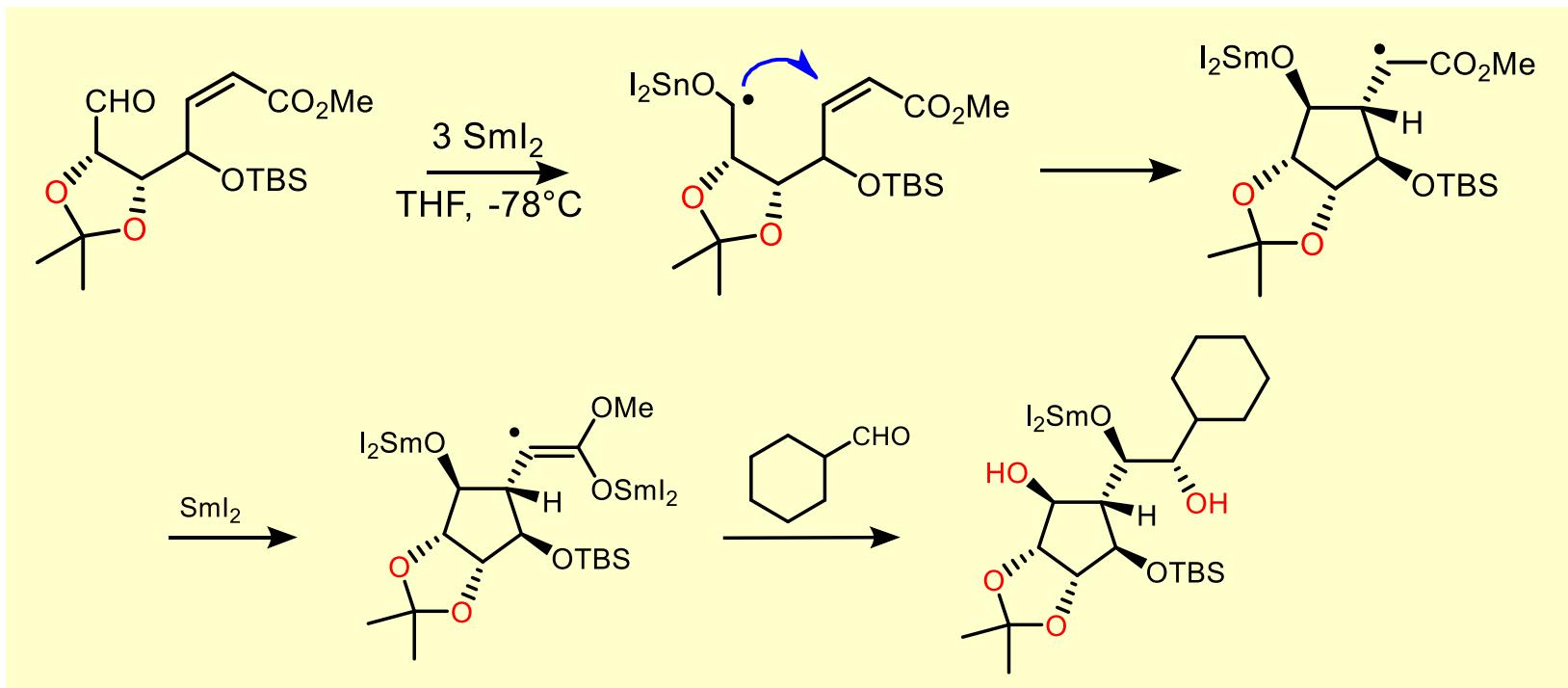
- Anion/Radical tandem- Step 2: The ketone gives a ketyl radical which cyclizes and is reduced.



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Samarium Diiodide Promoted Cyclization - 3

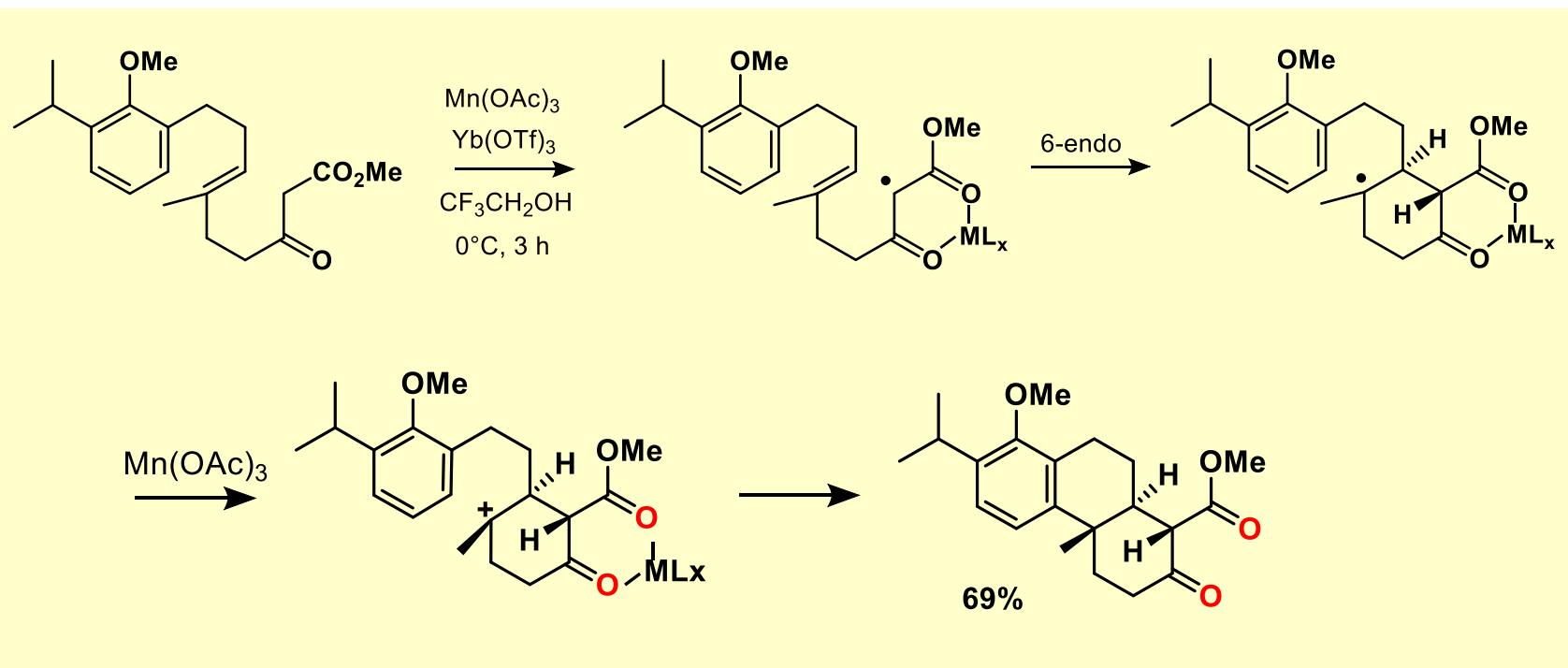
- Radical/Anion tandem: A ketyl radical cyclization followed by reduction to a reactive Sm-enolate.



Enholm, E. J.; Trivellas, A. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1994**, 35, 1627-1628.

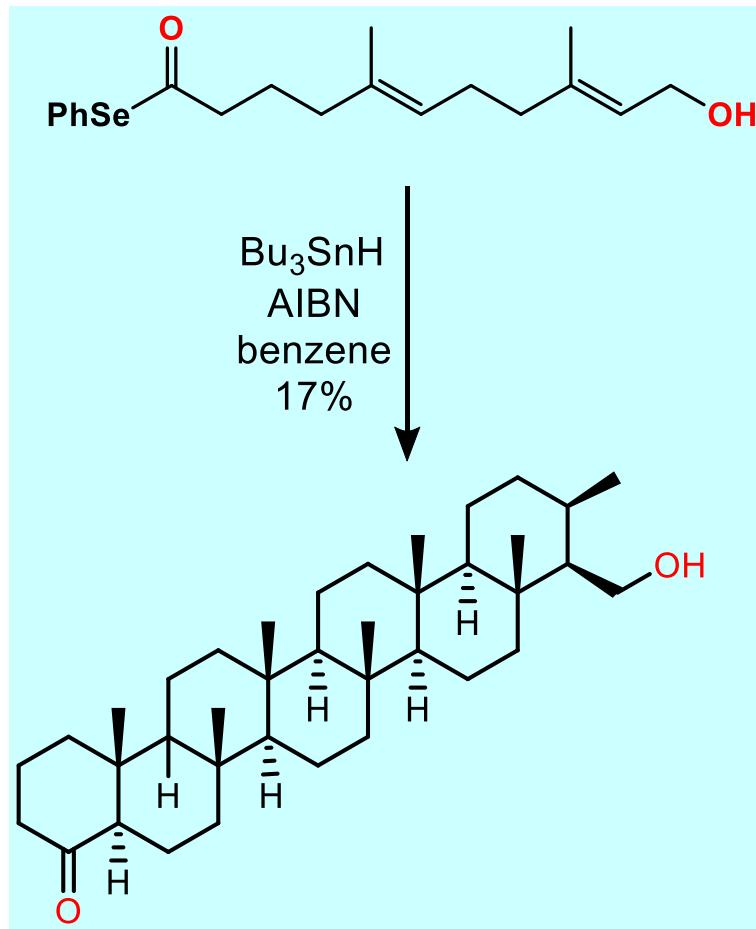
Manganese Radical/Cation Tandem

- Radical reactions of Manganese(III) Acetate terminate by conversion to a cation which can further react intramolecularly by electrophilic aromatic substitution:

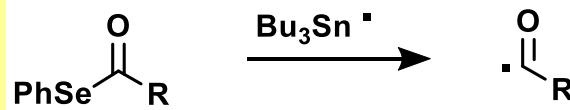


Yang, D.; Ye, X.-Y.; Xu, M. *J. Org. Chem.* **2000**, 65, 2208-2217.

Tandem Radical Poly-Cyclisation



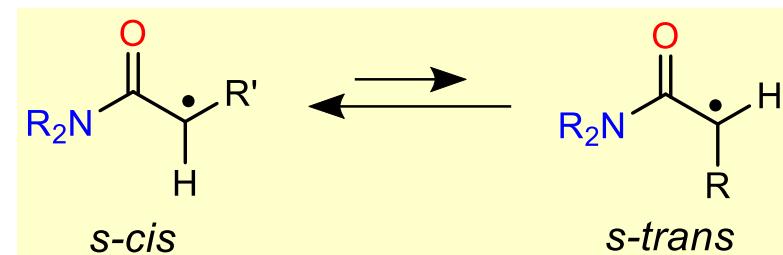
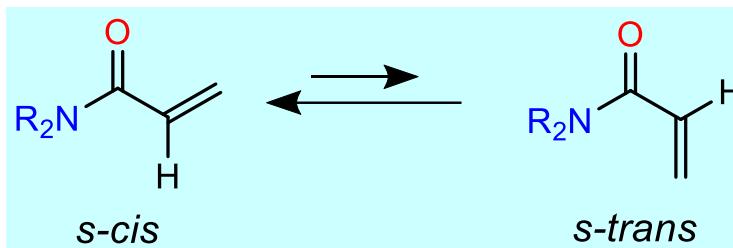
Via acyl radicals



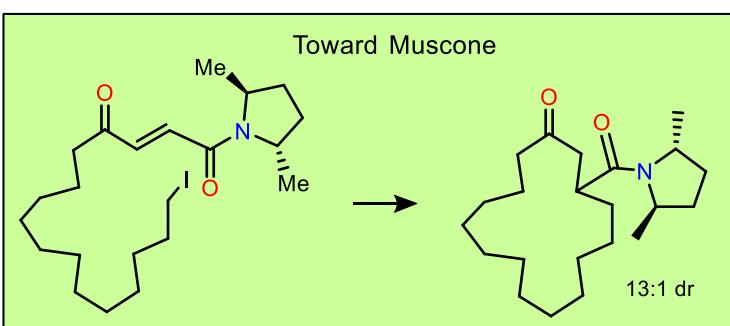
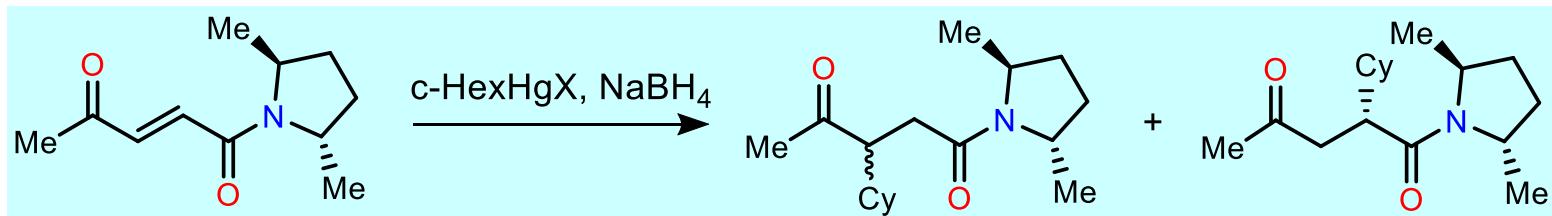
Pattenden, *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1*, **1999**, 843.

Early Efforts Toward Acyclic Stereochemical Control

- Amide groups were used to provide conformational control.



- C₂-symmetric auxiliaries or dipole-dipole effects were used to fix the orientation of the auxiliary.



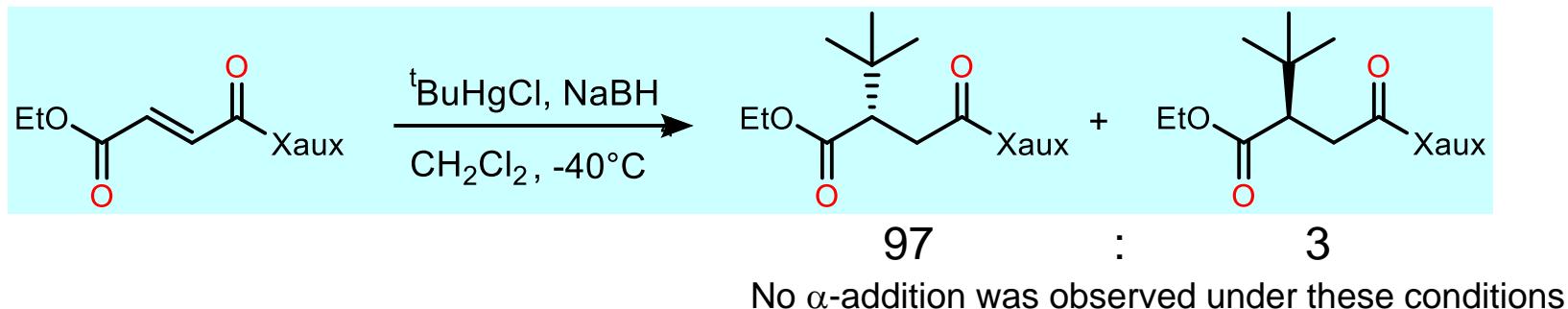
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B
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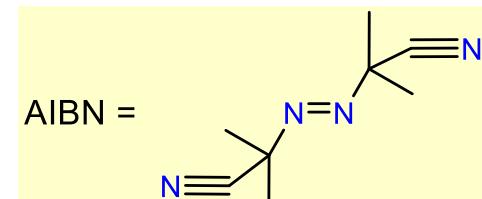
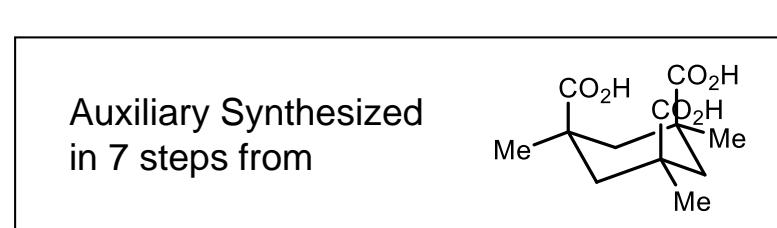
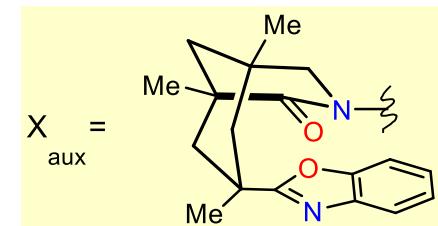
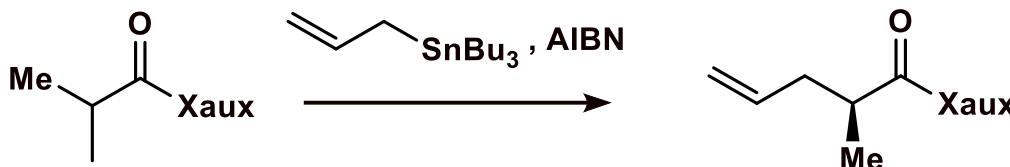
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Early Efforts Toward Auxiliary-Based Control

Curran, Rebek - auxiliary that can control β -stereoselectivity



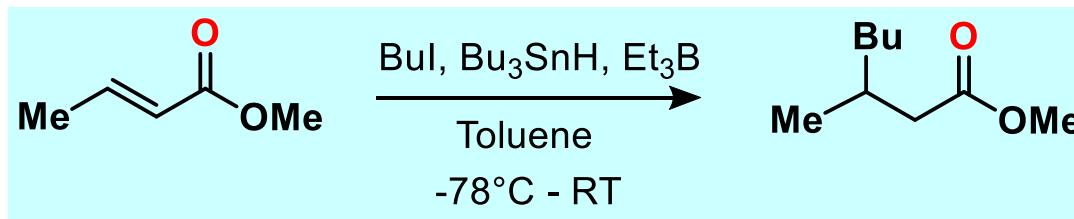
The auxiliary was also effective for radical allylation reactions.



Curran, Rebek, JACS, 1992, 114, 7007.

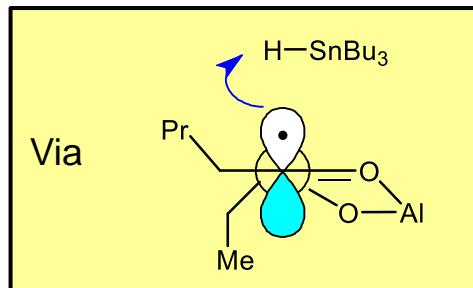
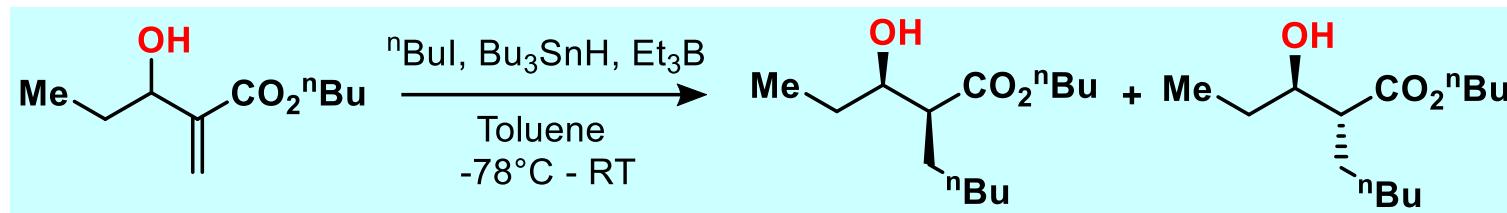
Lewis Acid-Enhanced Reactivity of Unsaturated Esters and Amides

- Lewis acids increase yields of conjugate additions



Lewis Acid	Yield (%)
None	< 1
$TiCl_4$	< 2
Et_2AlCl	18
$EtAlCl_2$	33

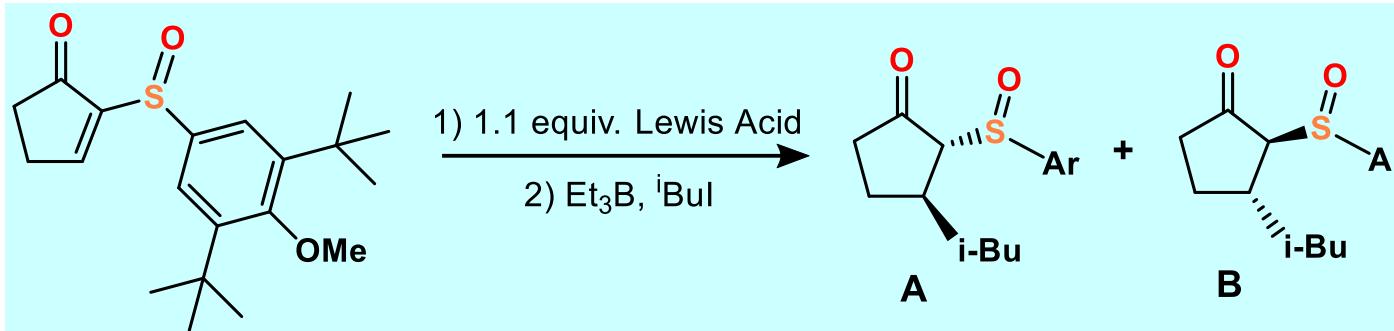
- Chelate control



Lewis Acid	Yield (%)	syn:anti
None	34	65:35
Et_2AlCl	76	87:13

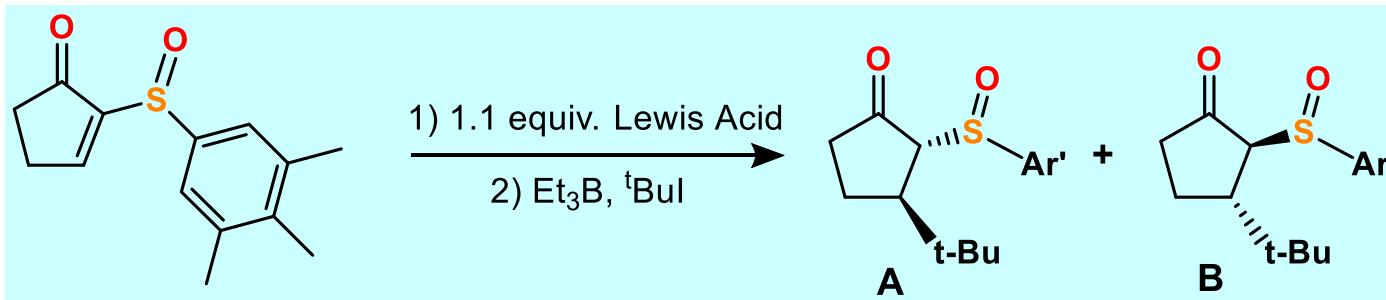
Sato, F. J. Org. Chem., 1995, 60, 3576.

Asymmetric Radical Addition to α -Sulfinylcyclopentenones



opposite enantiomers
of chiral auxiliaries

Lewis Acid	A : B
None	38 : 62
$\text{Ti}(\text{OPr})_4$	56 : 44
$\text{TiCl}_2(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_2$	91 : 8



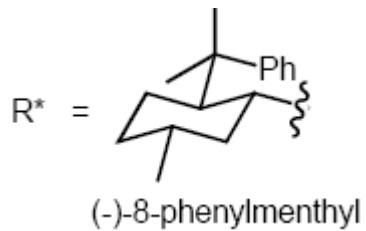
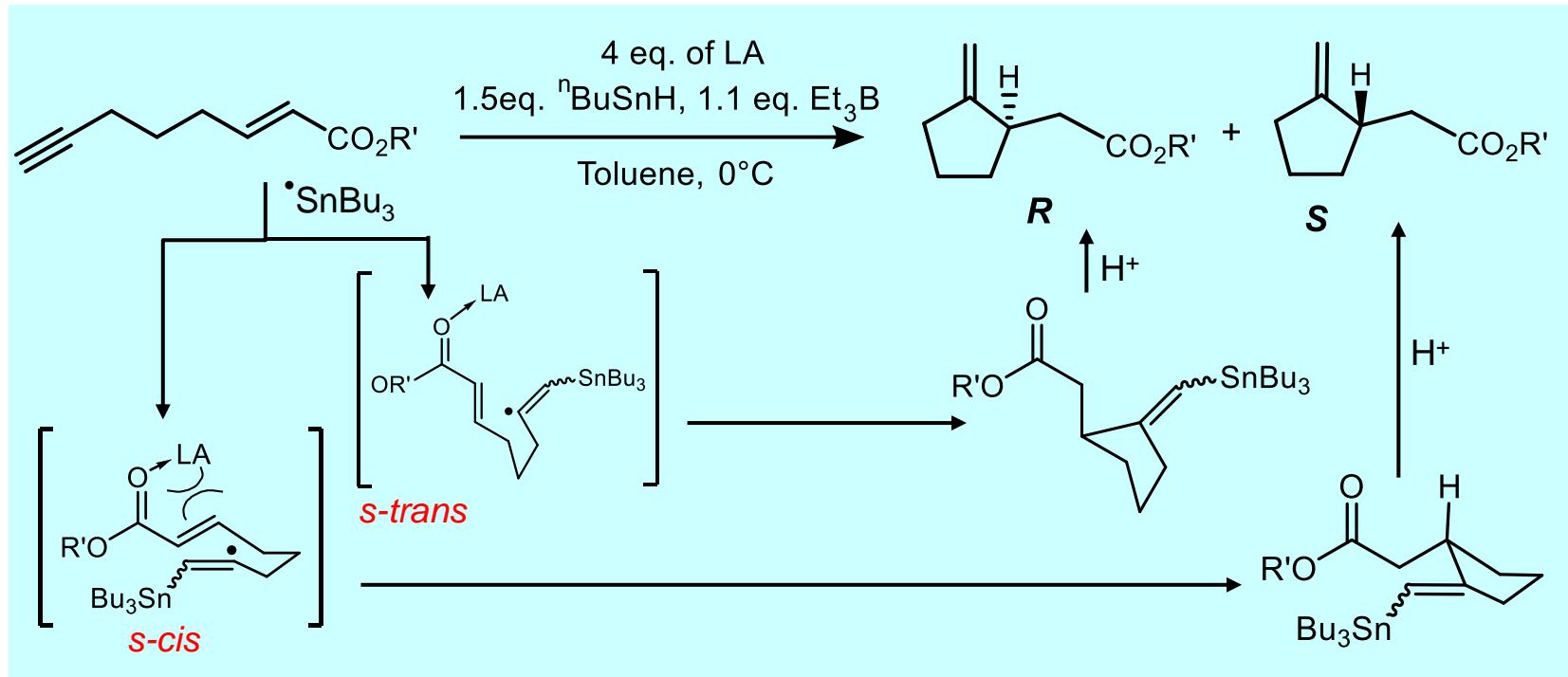
Auxiliaries can be cleaved with aluminum amalgam in $\text{THF}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$

Lewis Acid	A : B
None	98 : 2
$\text{TiCl}_2(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_2$	2 : 98

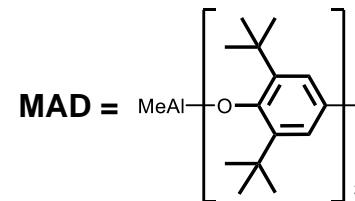
Toru, JACS, 1993, 10464; Toru, JOC, 1997, 7794

Lewis Acid Promoted Diastereoselective Radical Cyclization

- Coordination of Lewis acid controls *s-cis*/*s-trans* conformation of ester



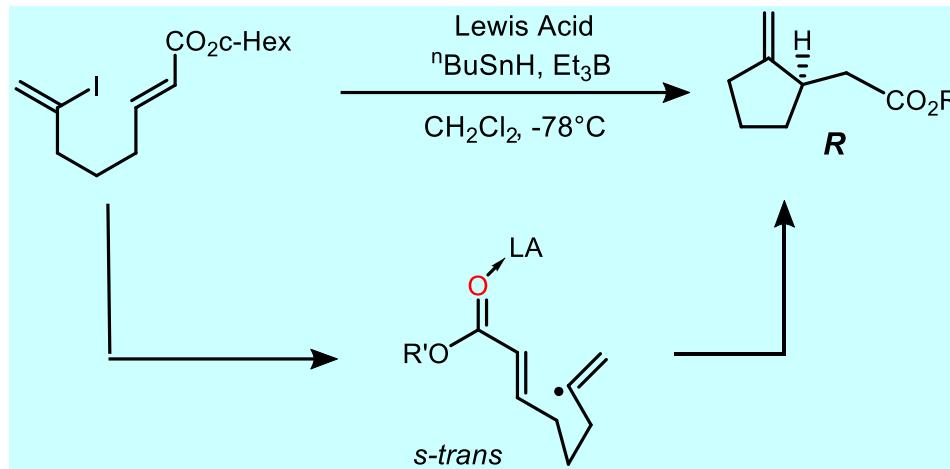
Lewis Acid	A : B
None	67:33
BF_3	94:6
MAD	96:4



Nishida, JACS, 1994, 6455.

Enantioselective Lewis Acid Promoted Radical Cyclization

- First report of chiral Lewis Acid mediated radical cyclization

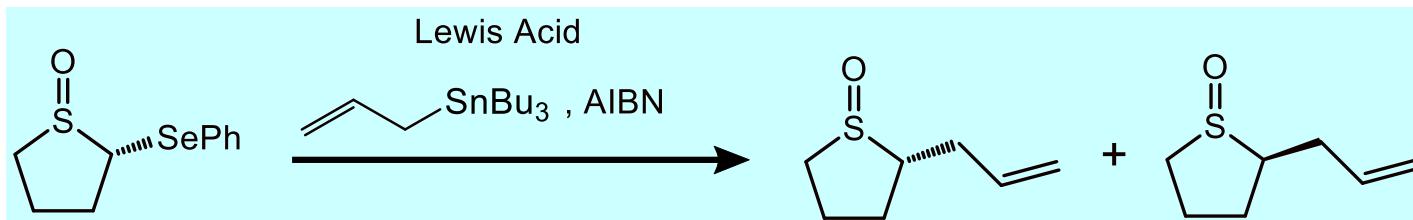


Lewis Acid	equiv.	ee (%)
(Binol)AlMe	1	2
	1	12
	4	36

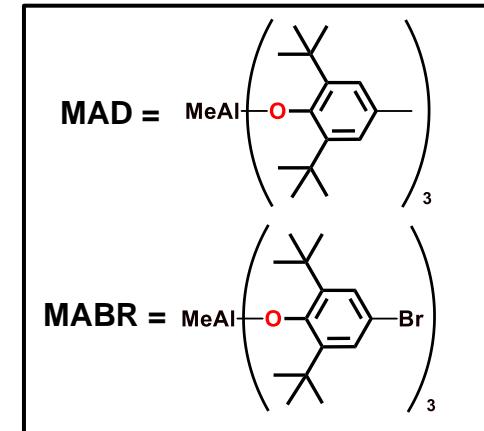
Reactions using the same Lewis Acid and the Weinreb amide provide the S-product in 26% ee.

Nishida, *Chem. Commun.*, 1996, 579.

Allylation of α -Sulfinyl Radicals



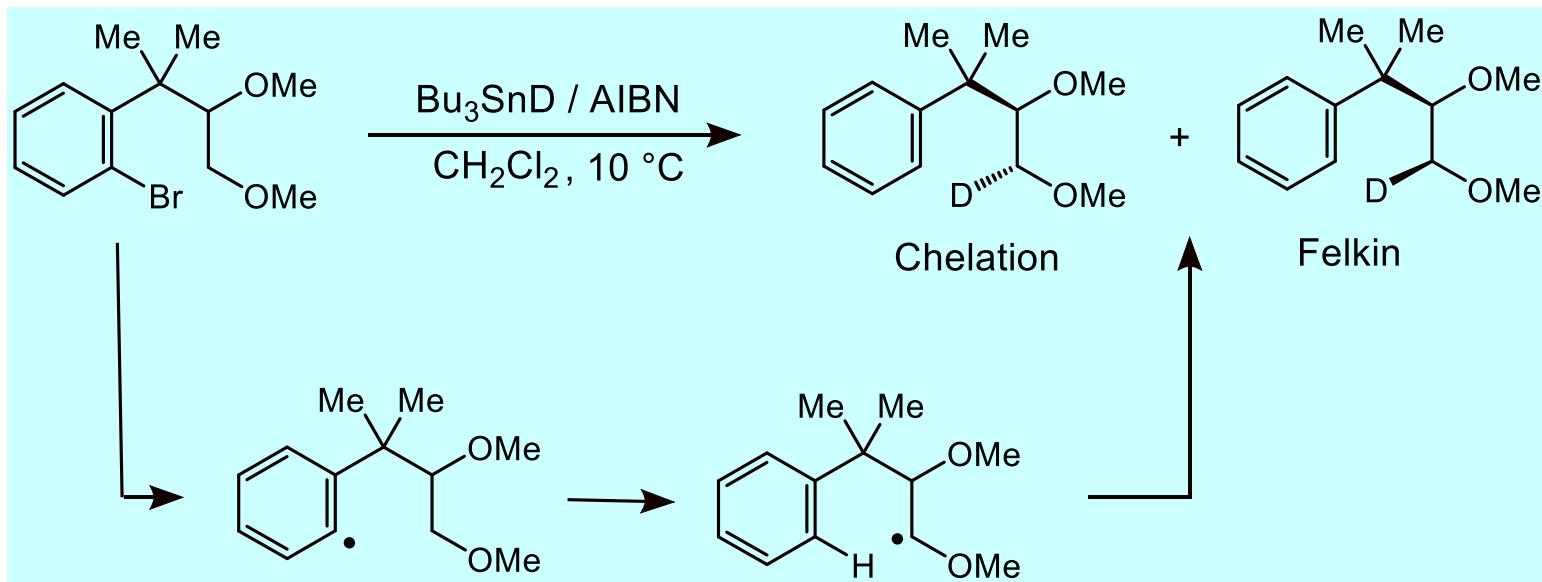
Solvent	Lewis Acid	<i>trans:cis</i>
propionitrile	--	77:23
propionitrile	LiClO_4	90:10
CH_2Cl_2	--	82:18
CH_2Cl_2	MAD (1)	98:2
CH_2Cl_2	MABR (1)	98:2
CH_2Cl_2	MABR (0,1)	90:10



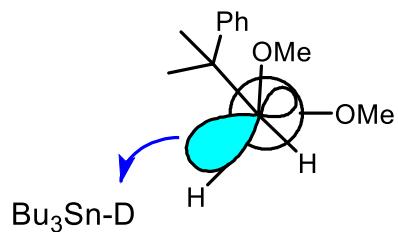
Selectivities were increased with the use of catalytic amounts of Lewis acid.

Renaud, JACS, 1991, 7803
 Renaud, Curran, JACS, 1994, 3547

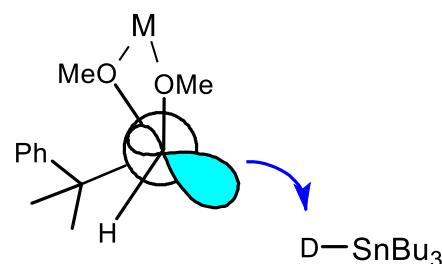
Stereo-selective Reactions of 1,2-Dioxysubstituted Radicals



Felkin-Ann



Chelation Control



Lewis Acid

ZnCl₂·OEt₂

Ti(O*i*Pr)₃Cl

MgI₂·OEt₂

Chelation/Felkin

1 : 25

1 : 1.4

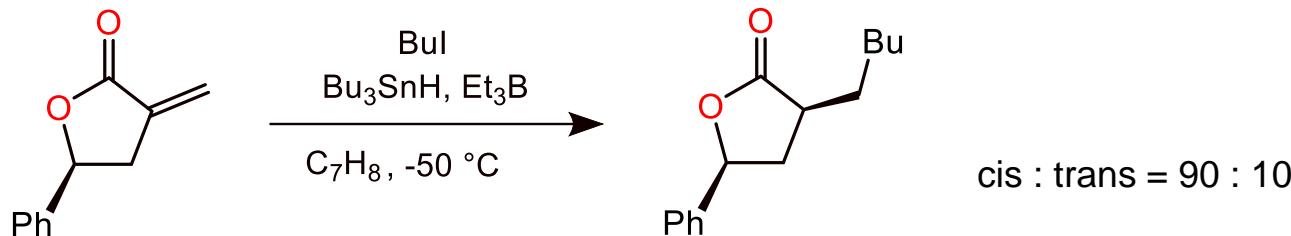
1 : 3

17 : 1

Renaud, JACS, 1995, 6607

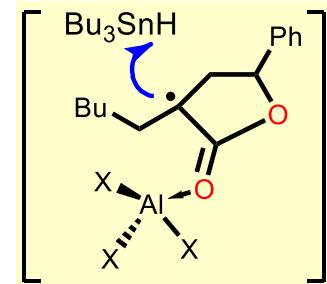
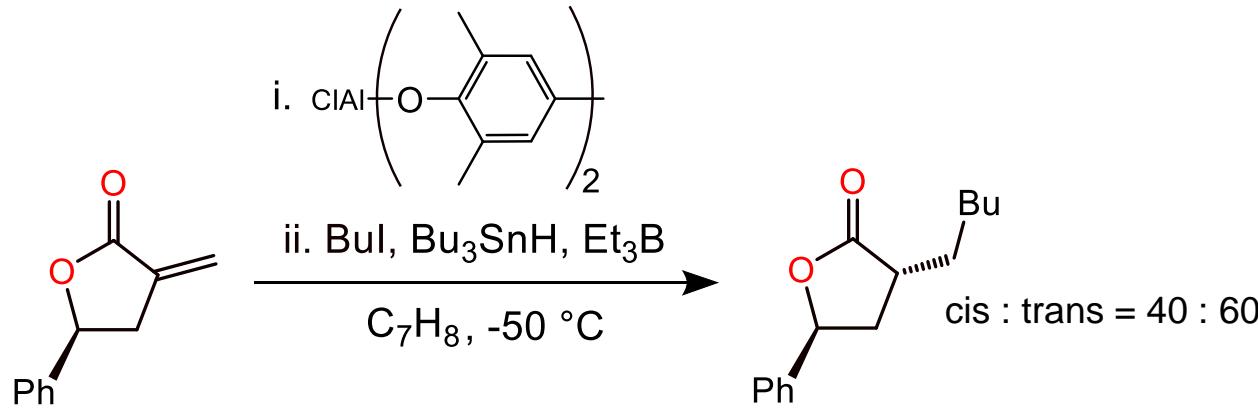
Stereo-selective Addition to α -Methylenebutyrolactones

- Reactions in the absence of Lewis Acid are highly diastereoselective.



- π Radical is generated by addition of alkyl radical to α,β -unsaturated ester.
- Major product formed by H^* delivery from face opposite phenyl group.

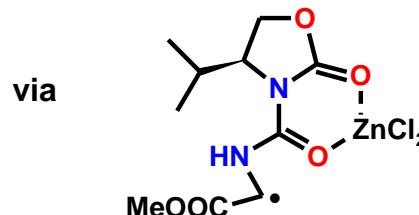
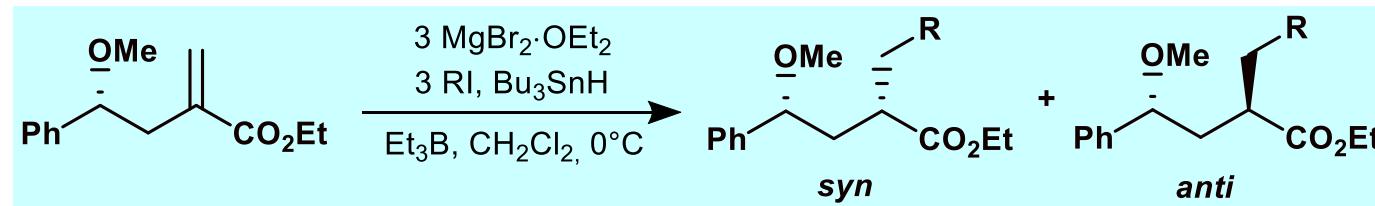
- Reversal of diastereoselectivity using bulky Lewis Acids



Sato, *Chem. Commun.*, 1995, 1043

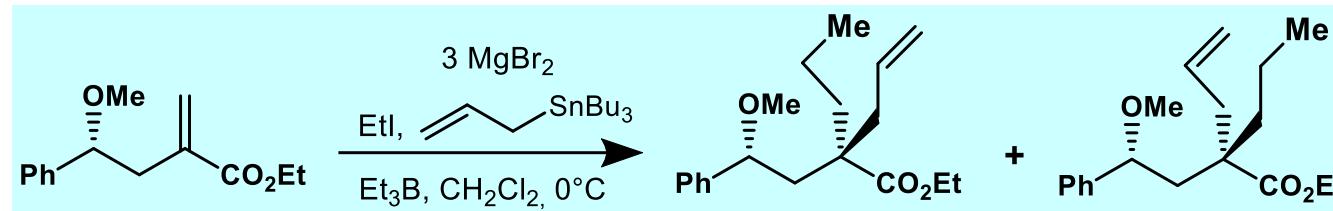
Chelation Controlled 1,3-Asymmetric Induction

- Reduction Reactions



R	Yield (%)	<i>syn : anti</i>
<i>i</i> -Pr	86	1 : 1.4 ← no MgBr ₂
<i>i</i> -Pr	96	4.3 : 1
c-Hex	70	3.7 : 1
<i>t</i> -Bu	91	1 : 3.8

- Allylation Reactions



The allylation reaction did not proceed without Lewis Acid.

R'	Yield (%)	<i>syn : anti</i>
Ph	48	5.5 : 1
<i>i</i> -Pr	63	>50 : 1
<i>t</i> -Bu	56	>50 : 1

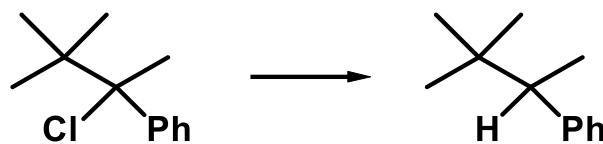
Nagano, *Synlett*, 1999, 53. Nagano, *Synlett*, 2000, 1073

Ways To Introduce Chirality

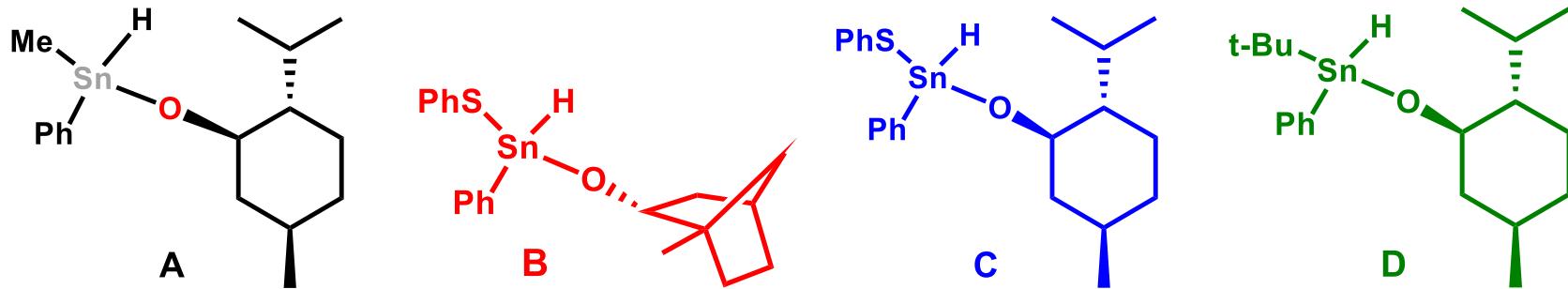
- ✓ Chiral Reagent
- ✓ Chiral Auxiliary
- ✓ Chiral Lewis Acid

N.B. Most radicals are extremely reactive intermediates and present early transition states in their reactions.

The First Example (Reductive Dehalogenation)



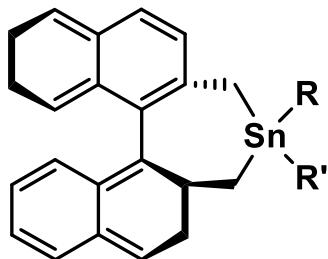
Hydride	Yield	$[\alpha]_{20}^D$
A	53%	+ 2.42
B	21%	- 2.99
C	75%	- 3.47
D	42%	- 3.51



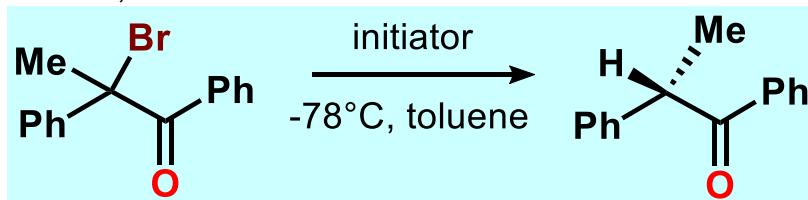
Chirality at Tin is transferred in reductive dehalogenation!

Schumann, H; Pachaly, B.; Schutze, B.C. *J. of Organometallic Chemistry.* **1984**, 265, 145.

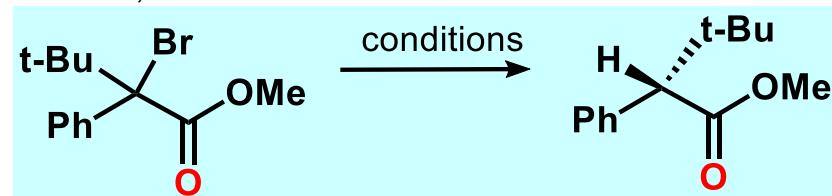
Dinaphthostannepins



R' = Me; R = H



R' = t-Bu, R = H



Initiator	Yield (%)	ee (%)
AIBN	54	20
0.3eq. Et ₃ B every 2h for 16h	12	30
10eq. Et ₃ B	35	11
0.3eq. Et ₃ B every 10min for 30min	30	41

Initiator	Yield (%)	ee (%)
R = H, 1 eq. Et ₃ B, -78	93	52
1 mol% Sn; R=Br *	98	26

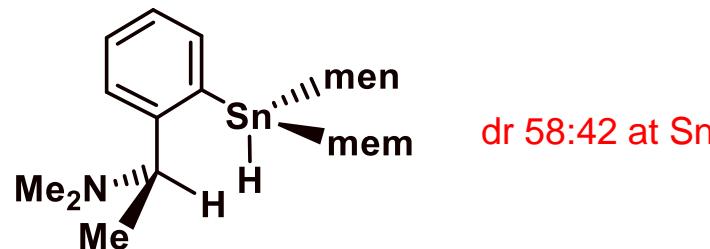
*3eq. NaB(CN)H₃ Catalytic conditions

Nanni, D; Curran, D.P. *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* **1996**, 7,2417.

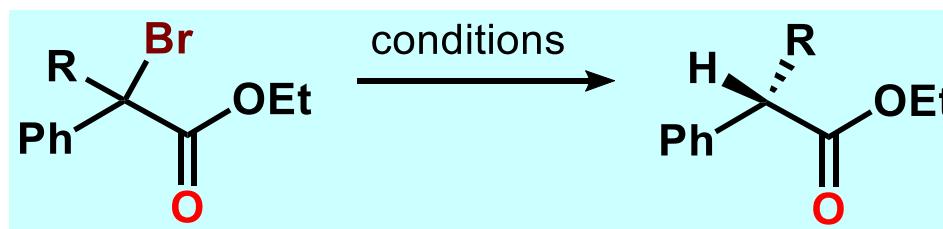
Blumenstein, M.; Schwalzkopf, K.; Metzger, J.O. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* **1997**, 36, 235.



DAAP Ligands



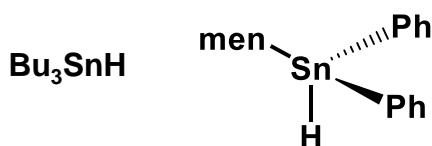
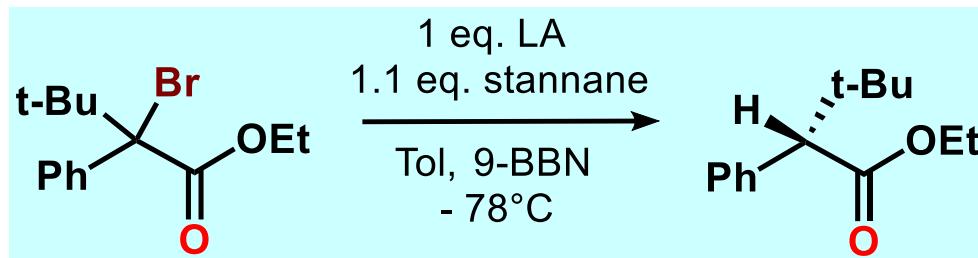
dr 58:42 at Sn



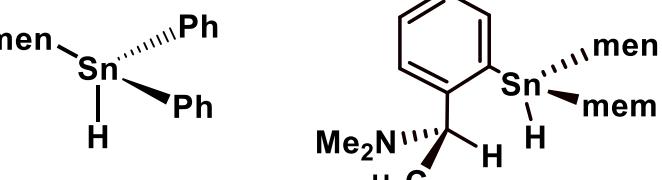
R	Conditions	Yield (%)	ee (%)
Me	20°C, 1h, 1.5 eq. Sn	98	6
Et	20°C, 3h, 1.5 eq. Sn	99	4
i-Pr	20°C, 3h, 1.5eq. Sn	99	1
t-Bu	20°C, 2h, 2.0eq. Sn	98	-6
t-Bu	20°C, 1h, 0.13eq. Sn	11	-23

Schwalzkopf, K; Blumenstein, M.; Hayen, A.; Metzger, J.O. *Eur. J. Org. Chem.* **1998**, 177.

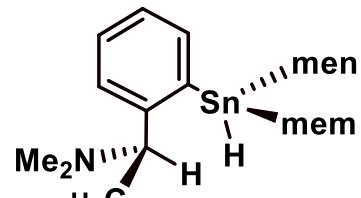
L.A. Enhanced Enantioselectivity



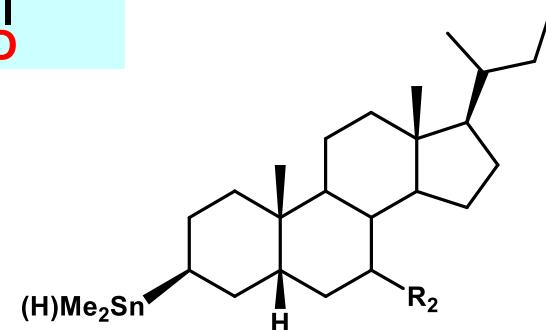
--%, 8% ee



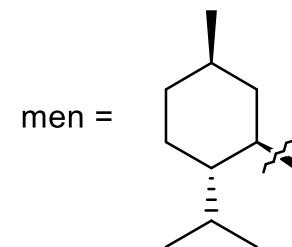
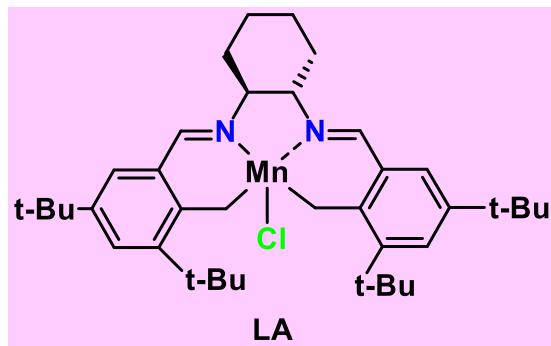
74%, 72% ee



76%, 80% ee

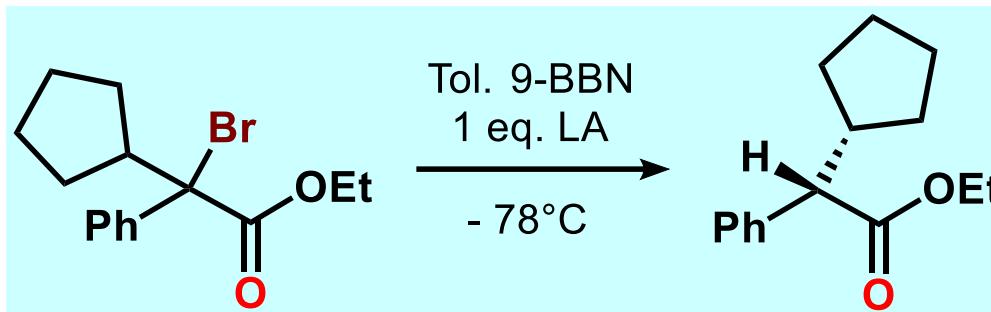


72%, 82% ee

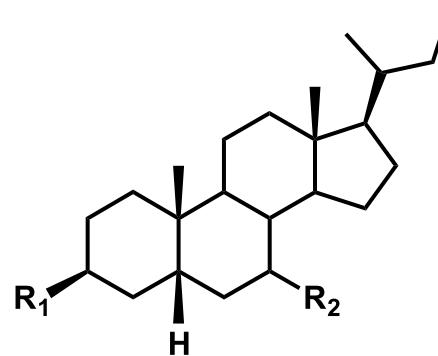
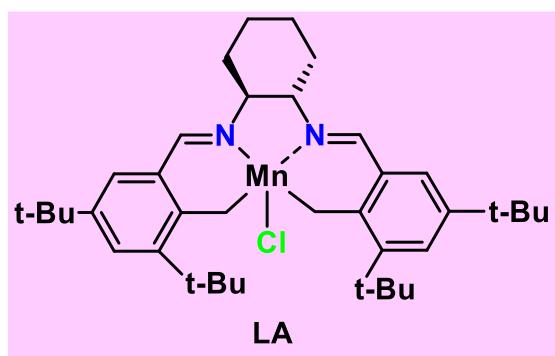
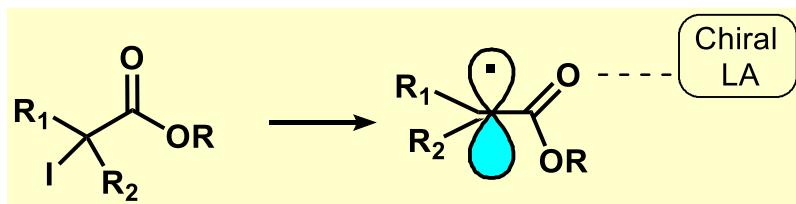


Dakternieks, D.; Dunn, K.; Perchyonok, V.T.; Schiesser, C.H. *Chem. Common.* **1999**, 1665.

Steroidal Ligands



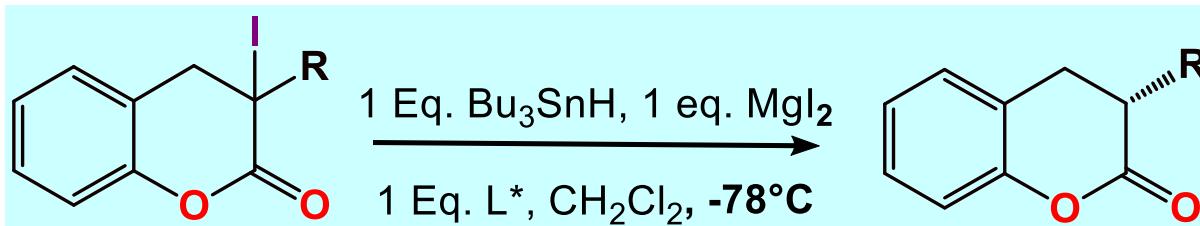
A 90%, 62% ee
B 90%, 90% ee



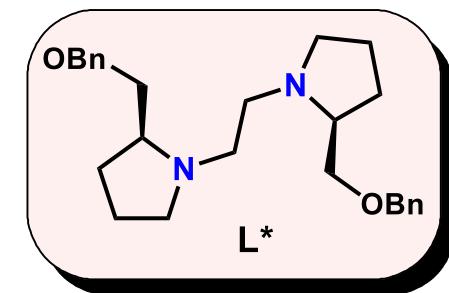
A $\text{R}^1 = \text{Sn}(\text{H})\text{Me}_2$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{H}$
B $\text{R}^1 = \text{H}$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{Sn}(\text{H})\text{Me}_2$

Schiesser, C.H.; Skidmore, M.A.; White, J.M. *Aust. J. Chem.* **2001**, 54, 199.

A Different Approach



R	Yield(%)	ee(%)
CH_2OMe	88	62
CH_2OEt	84	65
CH_2OBn	89	58
Me	78	30

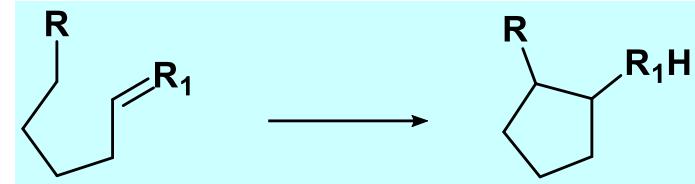
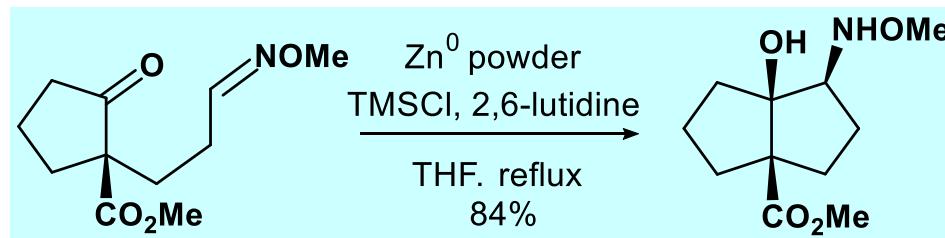
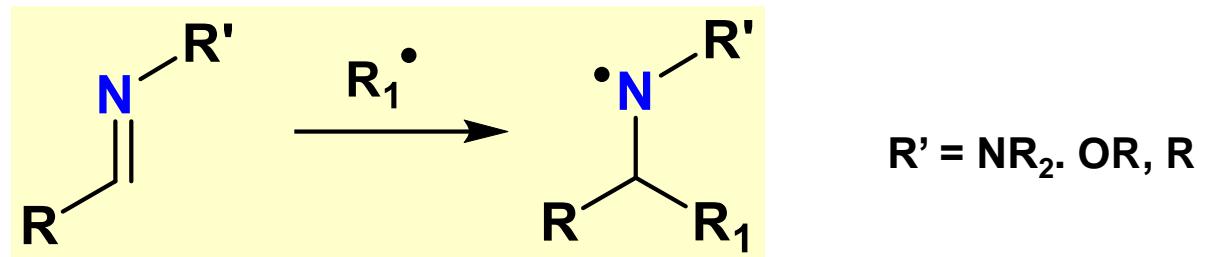


- α -Halo-esters can be reduced with moderate to good ee's.
- Size is very important, large ligands on tin and large Lewis acids coordinating substrate lead to best ee's.
- Not practical for large scale due to toxicity of tin and use of stoichiometric amount of Lewis acid.

Murakata, M.; Tsutsui, H.; Takeuchi, N.; Hoshino, O. *Tetrahedron* **1999**, 10295.,
J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1997**, 119, 11713.



C=N Acceptors

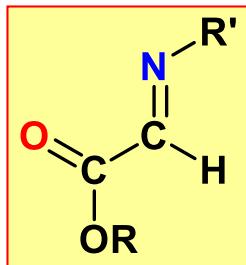


R'	$k_{\text{obs}} (\text{s}^{-1})$
CH_2	5.5×10^5
NBn	6×10^6
NHMe_2	2.4×10^7
NOBn	3.3×10^7

Corey, E.J.; Pyne, S.G. *Tet. Lett.*, 1983, 24, 2821.

Fallis, A.G.; Brinza, I.M. *Tetrahedron* 1997, 53, 17543.

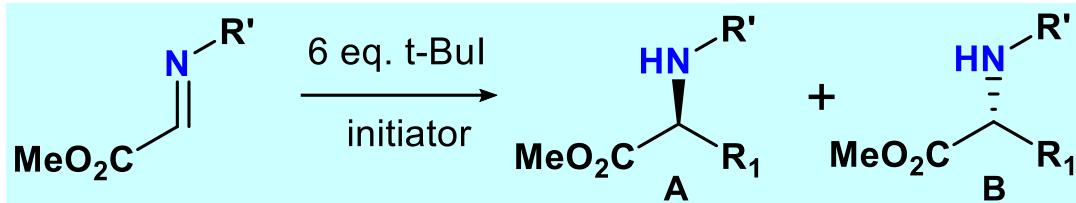
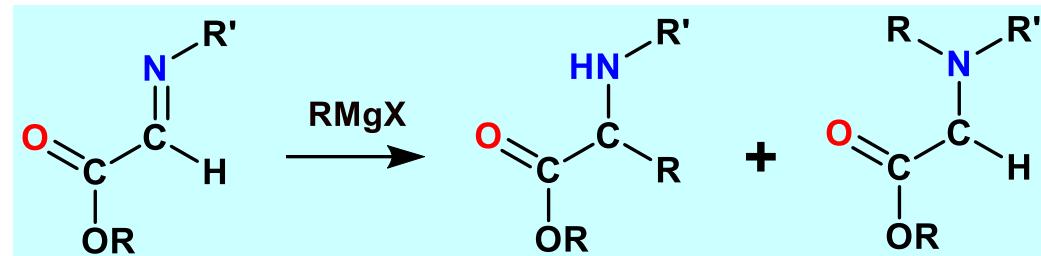
Glyoxylate Imines



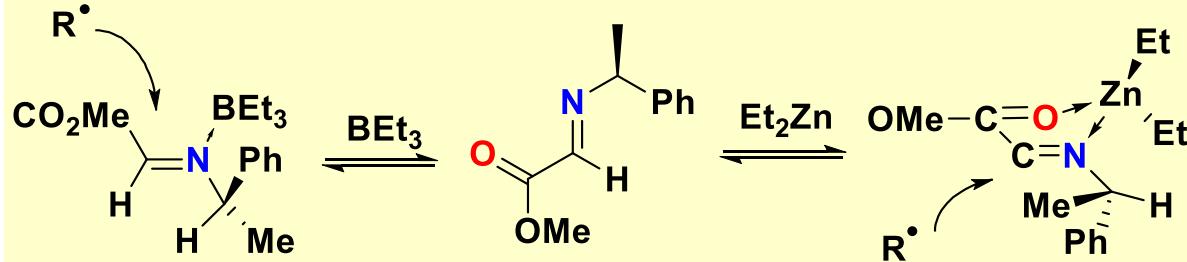
Provide access to alpha amino acids through ene, cycloaddition, and Mannich reactions. Addition of organometallics suffers from regioselectivity.

R1	A:B
Et	5:95
n-Pr	4:96
i-Pr	40:60
t-Bu	100:0

Fiaud, J.C.; Kagan, H.B. *Tet. Lett.* **1971**, 15, 1019.



Radical addition can be an alternative owing the complete regioselectivity to carbon atom.



Chiral auxiliary mediated addition to iminines

Radical Addition to Glyoxylate Imines



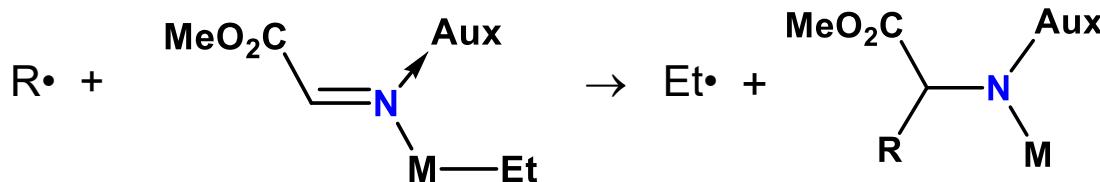
	Initiator	Temp.	Yield(%)	Ratio (A:B)
	BEt ₃	20°C	41	69:31
	Et ₂ Zn	20°C	41	40:60
	BEt ₃	20°C	48	58:42
	Et ₂ Zn	20°C	43	30:70
	BEt ₃	20°C	42	55:45
	Et ₂ Zn	20°C	41	87:13
	BEt ₃	20°C	42	65:35
	Et ₂ Zn	20°C	39	22:78

Bertrand, M.P.; Coantic, S.; Feray, L.; Nouguier, R.; Perfetti, P. *Tetrahedron* **2000**, 56, 3951.

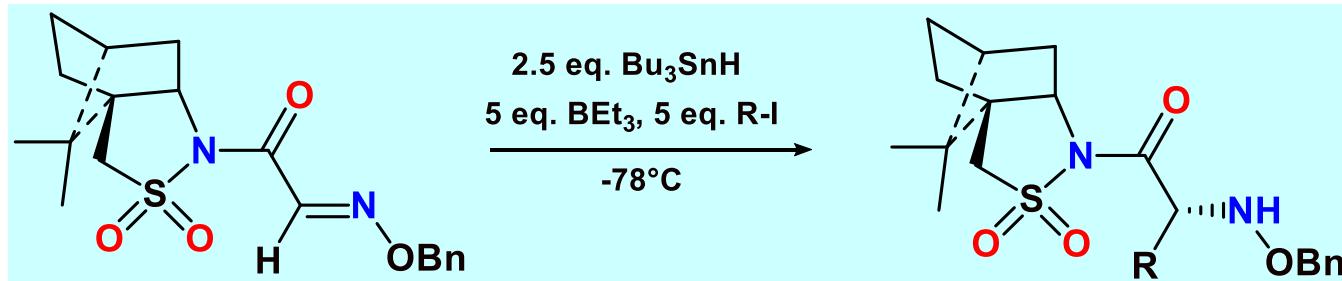
Radical Addition to Glyoxylate Imines

Sn-Free Radical Reactions

- MEt_x acts as initiator, chain transfer agent, and activating Lewis acid.
- No Sn is required, however a large excess of MEt_x and alkyl iodide (RI) is used in these reactions
- Autoxidation of organometallics provides the initiation step.



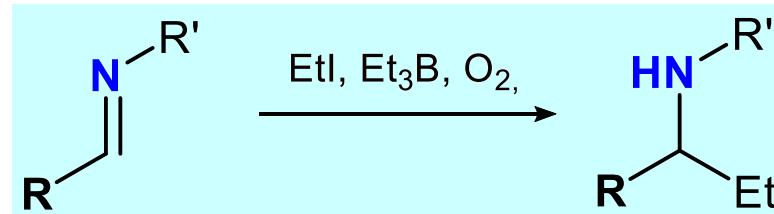
Glyoxylate Oximes to Chiral Amides



R	Lewis Acid	Solvent	Yield (%)	Selectivity
i-Pr	none	Et ₂ O	71	96:4
i-Pr	BF ₃ *OEt ₂	CH ₂ Cl ₂	80	96:4
Et	none	Et ₂ O	54	96:4
Et	BF ₃ *OEt ₂	CH ₂ Cl ₂	80	95:5
T-Bu	none	Et ₂ O	25	98:2
T-Bu	BF ₃ *OEt ₂	CH ₂ Cl ₂	83	98:2
C-Hexyl	none	Et ₂ O	74	96:4
C-Hexyl	BF ₃ *OEt ₂	CH ₂ Cl ₂	86	96:4

Miyabe, H.; Ushiro, C.; Naito, T. *Chem. Commun.* **1997**, 1789.

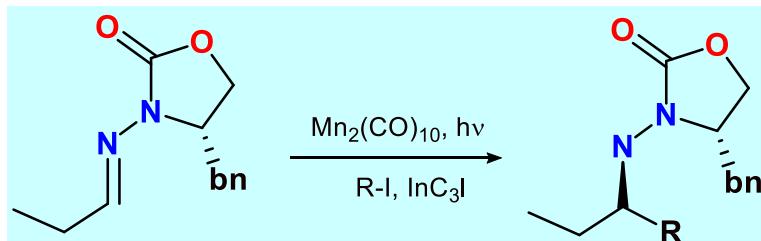
A Possible Limitation?



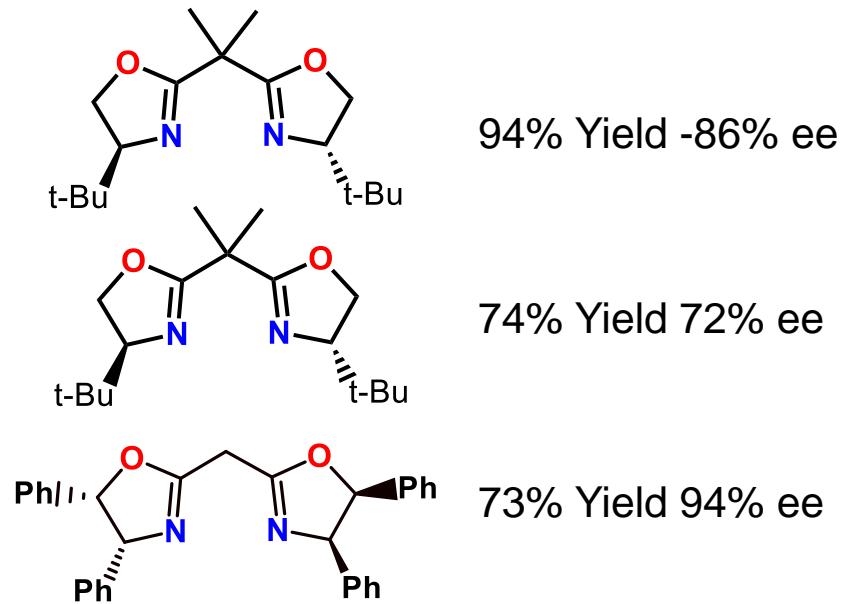
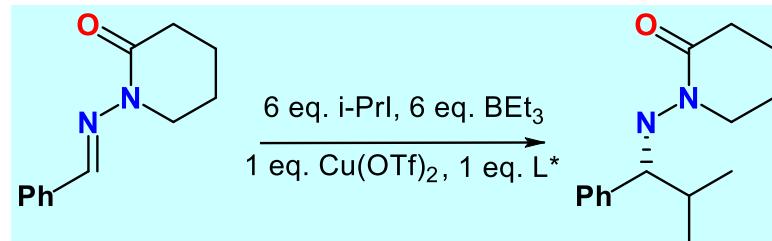
R	R'	Lewis Acid	Yield (%)
CO ₂ Me	OBn	none	97
Et	OBn	none	n.r.
Et	OBn	BF ₃ *OEt ₂	95
CO ₂ Me	NPh ₂	none	41
Et	NPh ₂	none	n.r.
Et	NPh ₂	BF ₃ *OEt ₂	n.r.

Miyabe, H.; Ushiro, C.; Shibata, R.; Sangawa, M.; Naito, T. *Tetrahedron* **1998**, *54*, 11431.

Non-Glyoxylate Derived Hydrazones Chiral Auxiliary and Chiral Lewis Acids



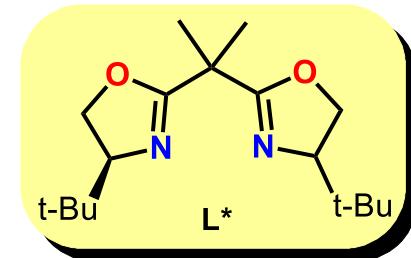
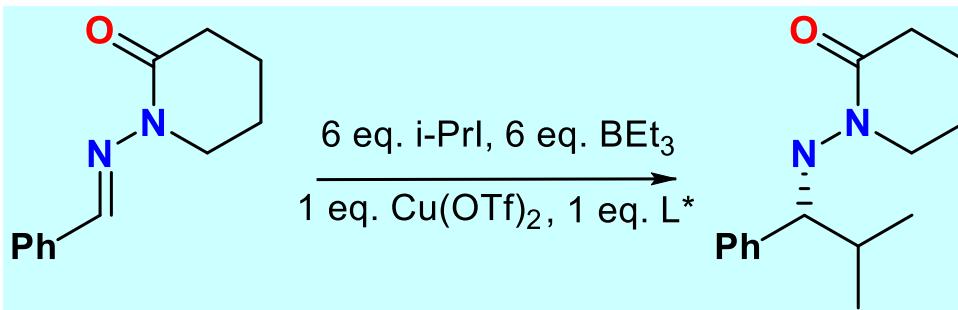
R	Yield%	dr
Pr	66	94:6
Bu	78	95:5
i-Bu	54	95:6
i-Pr	75	95:5



Friestad, G.K.; Qin, J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2001**, 123, 9922.

Friestad, G.K.; Shen, Y.; Ruggles, E.L. *Angew. Chem. Int Ed.* **2003**, 42, 5061.

Non-Glyoxylate Derived Hydrazones Catalytic Chiral Lewis Acids



Eq. Cu(OTf) ₂	Yield%	ee
1.0	66	96
0.5	71	81
0.2	83	58
0.1	74	46

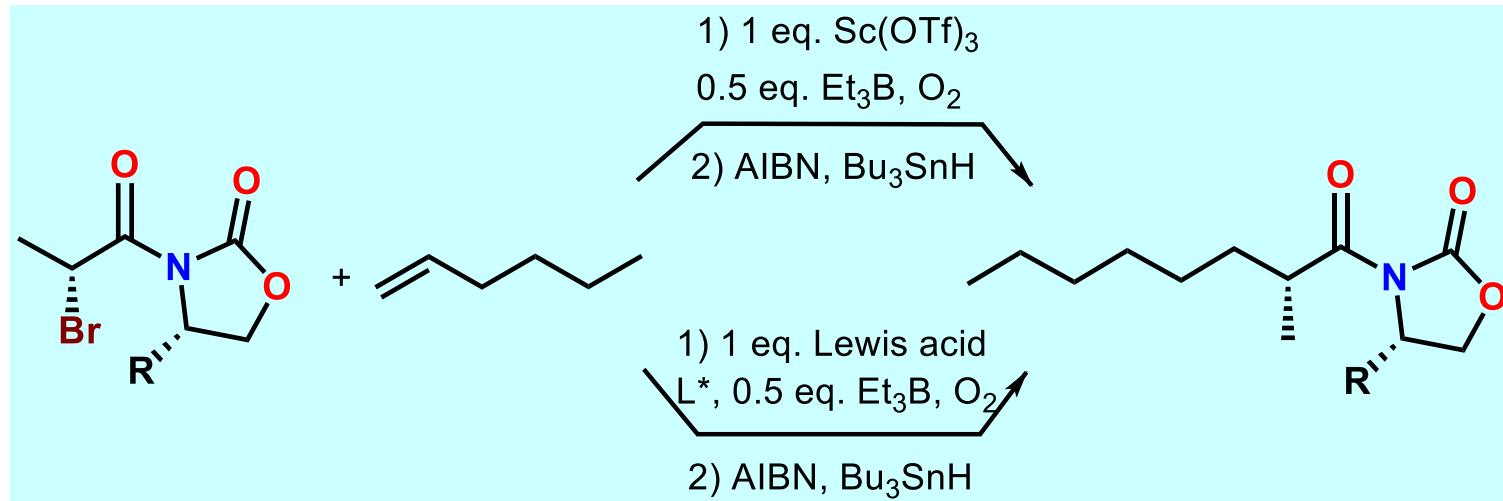
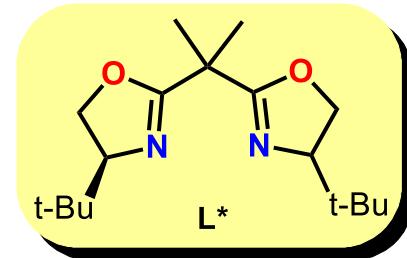
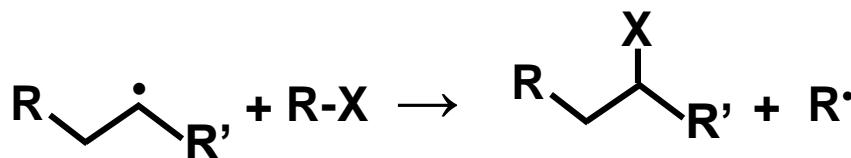
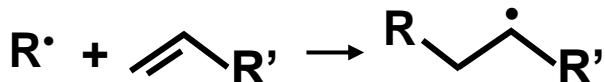
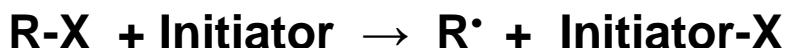
Summary of C=N addition:

- Radicals add to C=N bonds faster than they do to C=C bonds.
- Intermolecular radical additions have been shown for imines, oximes, and hydrazones.
- Additions to hydrazones have been carried out enantioselectively with catalytic amounts of chiral Lewis acid.

Friestad, G.K.; Shen, Y.; Ruggles, E.L. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2003**, *42*, 5061.

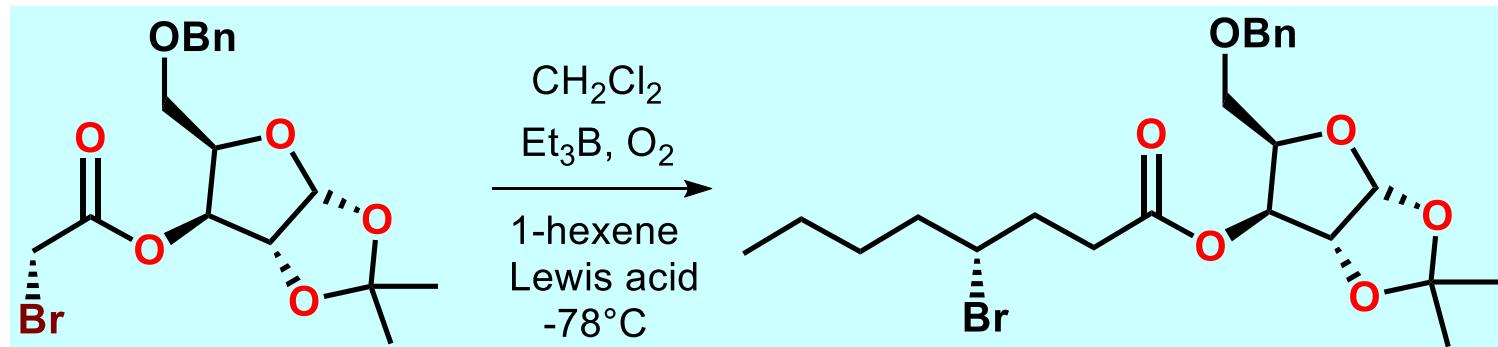
Radical Addition to Unactivated Alkenes

Atom Transfer Reactions



Mero, C.L.; Porter, N.A. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1999**, 121, 5155.

D-Xylose as a Chiral Auxiliary



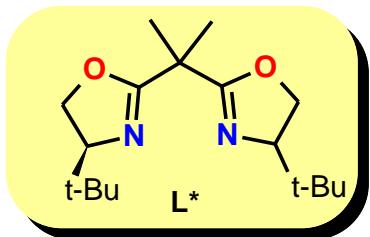
LA	Temp. ($^\circ\text{C}$)	Yield(%)	dr
$\text{Eu}(\text{OTf})_3$	25	56	1.7:1
$\text{Yb}(\text{OTf})_3$	25	63	1.7:1
$\text{Eu}(\text{OTf})_3$	30	65	2.8:1
$\text{Yb}(\text{OTf})_3$	30	62	2.2:1
$\text{Eu}(\text{OTf})_3$	-78	71	12.5:1
$\text{Yb}(\text{OTf})_3$	-78	65	1:1

Enholm, E.J.; Bhardwaj, A. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2003**, *44*, 3763.

Intramolecular Enantioselective Atom Transfer

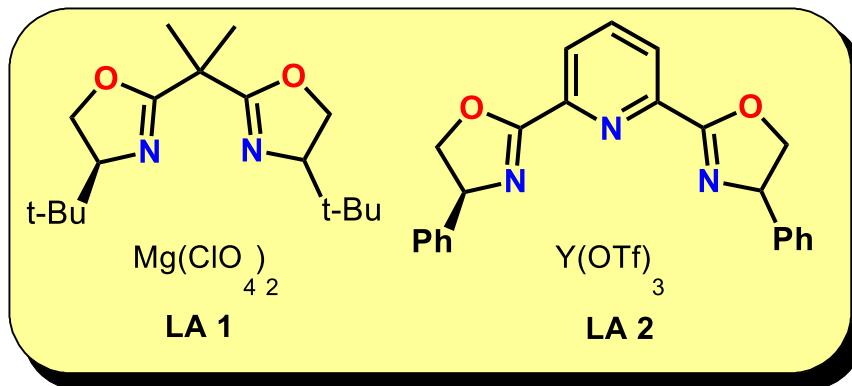
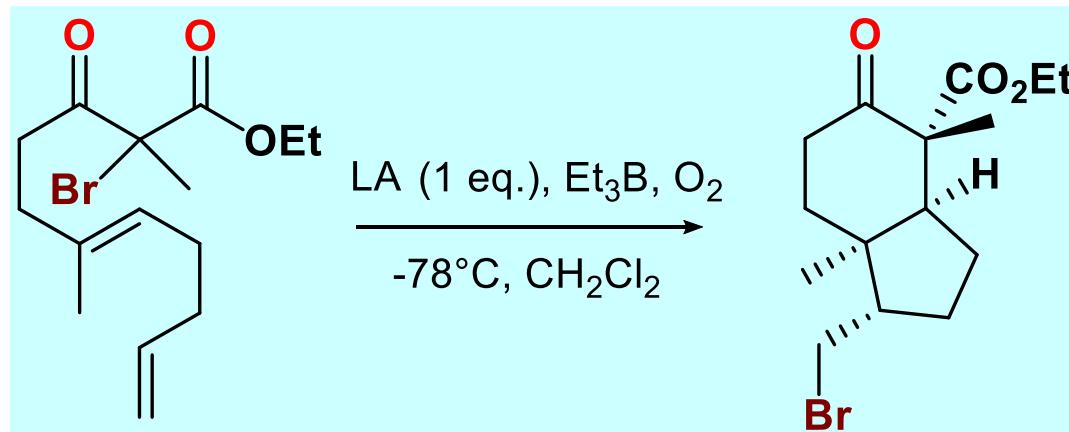


n	R	R_2	$\text{Mg}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$ eq.	Yield (%)	ee(%)
1	Me	Me	0.3	68	92
2	Me	Me	0.5	53	94
2	H	Et	0.3	81 (1/1.4)	74/95
2	Et	H	0.3	58 (1/1)	74/87



Yang, D.; Gu, S.; Yan, Y.; Zhu, N.; Cheung, K. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2001**, 123, 8612.

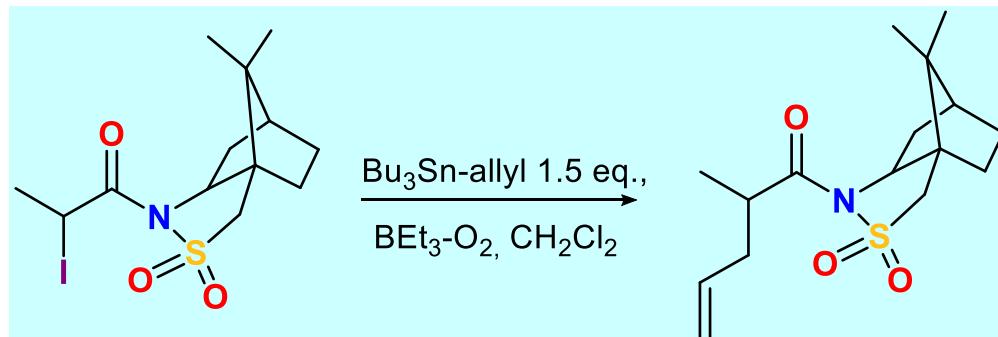
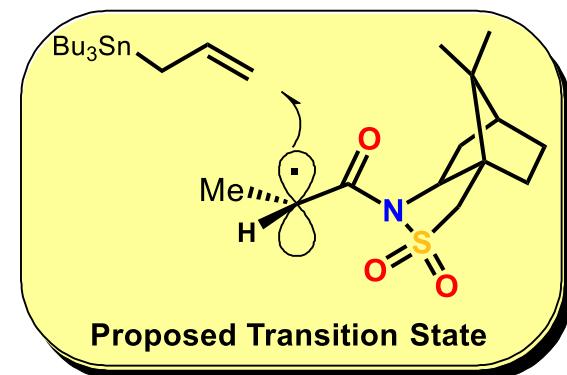
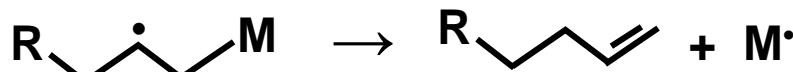
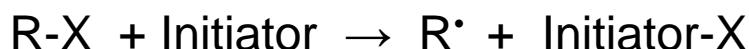
Construction of Polycyclic Rings



LA	Additive	ee(%)	ee(%)
1	none	41	13
1	mol. sieve	24	33
2	none	60	66
2	mol. sieve	11	-56

Yang, D.; Gu, S.; Yan, Y.; Zhao, H.; Zhu, N. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2002**, *41*, 3014.

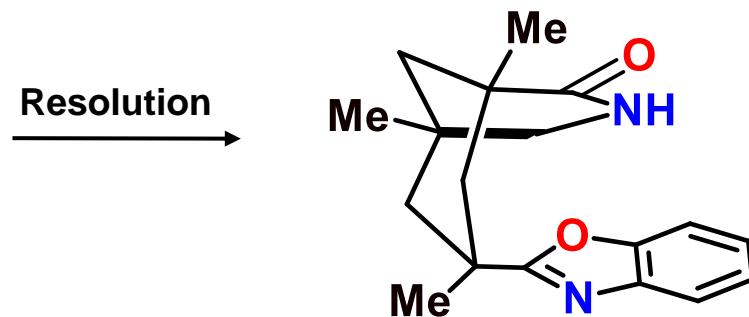
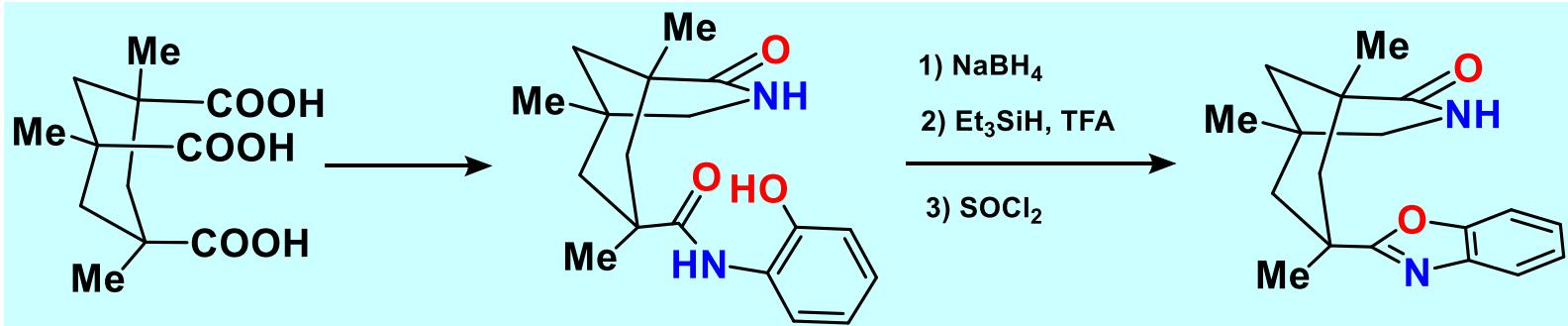
Radical Addition to Allylic Species



Temp.(°C)	Yield%	dr
80	>90	12:1
25	>90	14:1
0	>90	22:1
-20	>90	25:1
-78	>90	>30:1

Curran, D.P.; Shen, W.; Zhang, J.; Heffner, T.A. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 6738.

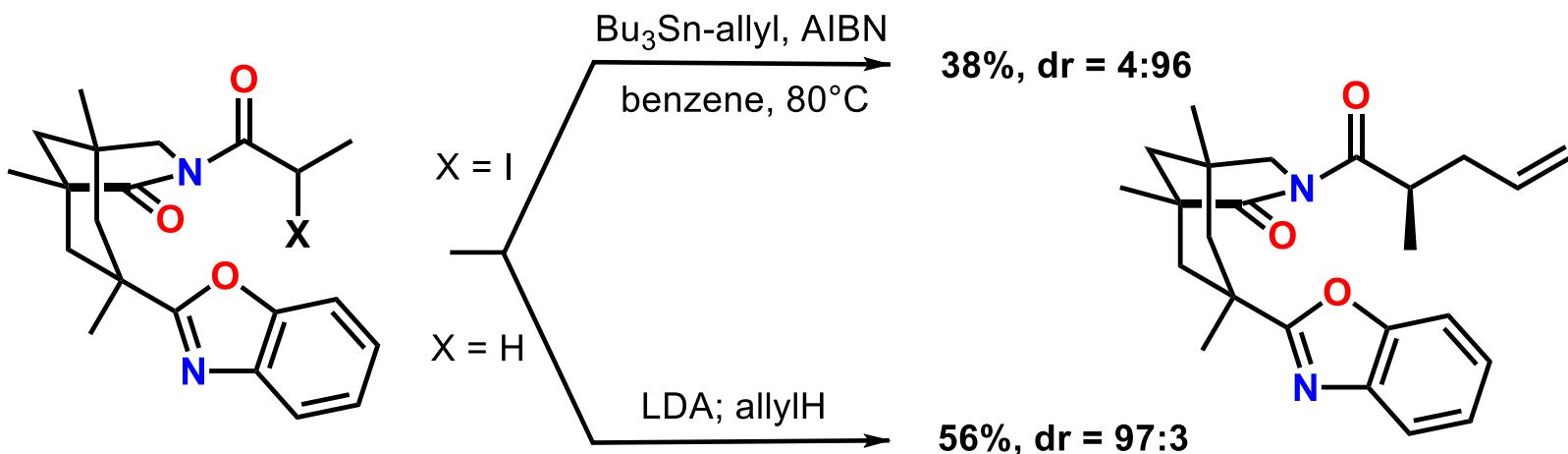
A Further Attempt



(R) Isomer shown
approx. 25% overall yield

Stack, J.G.; Curran, D.P.; Geib, S.V.; Rebek Jr., J.; Ballester, P. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, *114*, 7007.

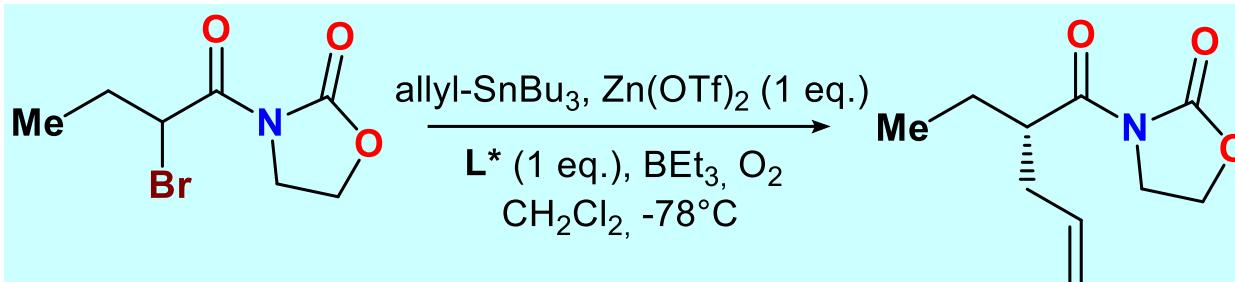
Allylation with Curran's Auxiliary



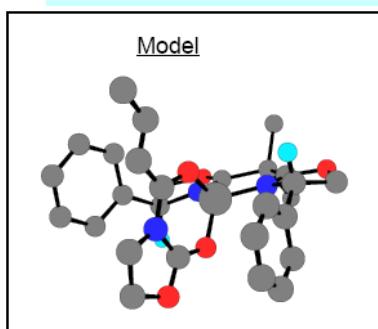
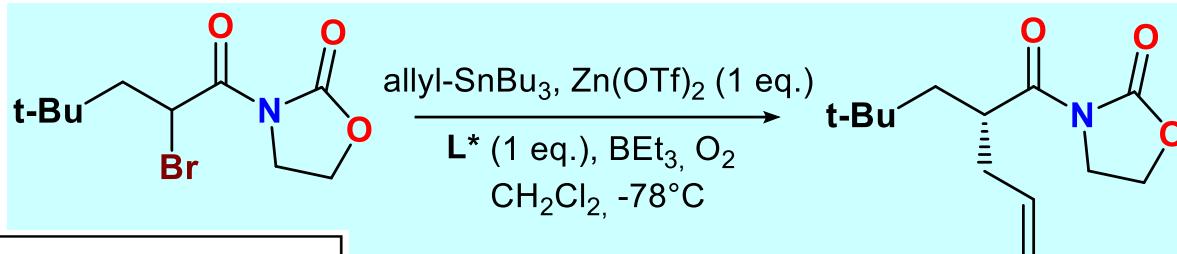
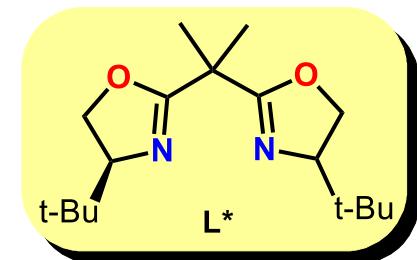
Ionic and radical pathways give complementary selectivity.

Stack, J.G.; Curran, D.P.; Geib, S.V.; Rebek Jr., J.; Ballester, P. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, 114, 7007

Oxazolidinone Template in Allyl Transfer



84% Yield; 42% ee



allylSnBu₃ 63% Yield 74% ee
allylSiMes 88% Yield 90% ee

Porter, N.A.; Wu, J.H.; Zhang, G.; Reed, A.D. *J. Org. Chem.* **1997**, 62, 6702.

Fragmentation and Enantioselective Trapping

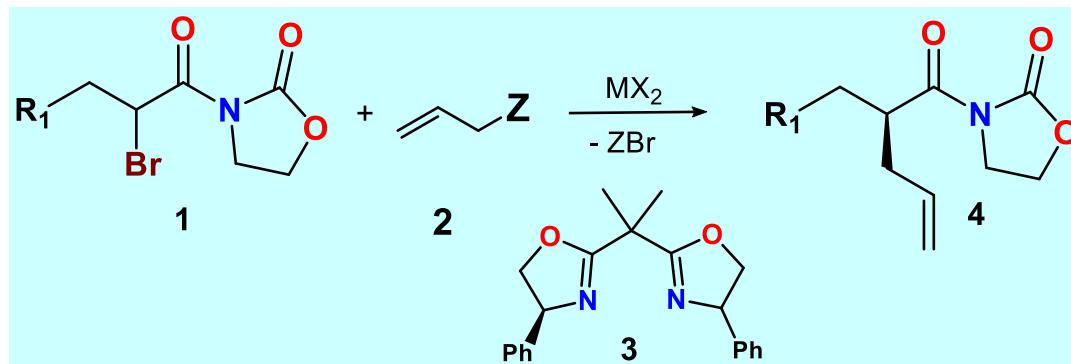


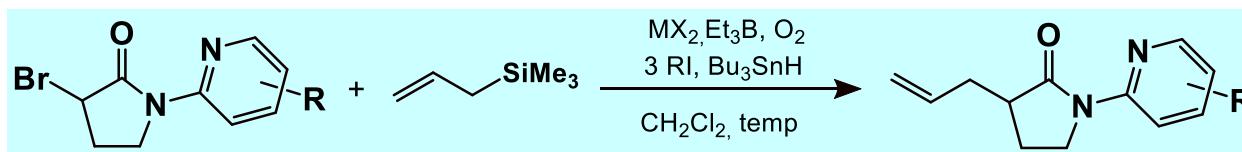
Table. Lewis Acid Promoted Reactions of Alkylsilanes
and allylstannane^a

entry	R_1	R_2	R_3	3 config	MX_2	Z	Yield (%)	4 <i>R</i> :4 <i>S</i>
1	Me	Me	Ph	(<i>R,R</i>)	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	$\text{Sn}(\text{Bu})_3$	84 ^b	29:71
2	Me	Me	Ph	(<i>R,R</i>)	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	$\text{Si}(\text{OEt})_3$	65 ^b	20:80
3	^t Bu	Me	Ph	(<i>R,R</i>)	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	$\text{Sn}(\text{Bu})_3$	63 ^b	87:13
4	^t Bu	Me	Ph	(<i>R,R</i>)	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	$\text{Si}(\text{Me})_3$	88 ^c	95:5
5	^t Bu	Me	Ph	(<i>R,R</i>)	Mgl_2	$\text{Si}(\text{Me})_3$	86 ^b	16:84
6	^t Bu	Me	^t Bu	(<i>S,S</i>)	Mgl_2	$\text{Si}(\text{Me})_3$	61 ^c	89:11
7	^t Bu	- (CH_2) - ^t Bu	^t Bu	(<i>S,S</i>)	Mgl_2	$\text{Si}(\text{Me})_3$	65 ^c	94:6
8	^t Bu	Me	^t Bu	(<i>S,S</i>)	Mgl_2	$\text{Si}(\text{Me})_3$	83 ^c	91:9

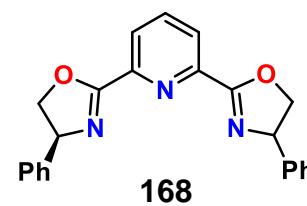
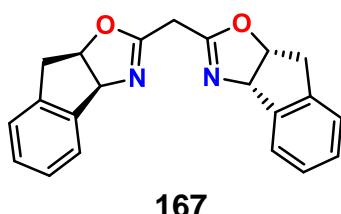
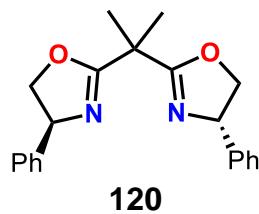
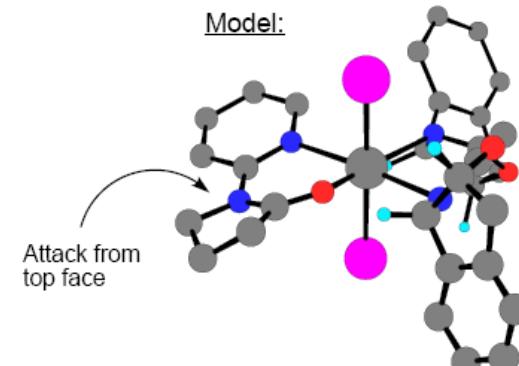
^a Reaction as described in eq 3. ^b Isolated yield. ^c Yield based on GC internal standard.

Porter, N. A. *J. Org. Chem.* **1997**, *62*, 6702.

Fragmentation and Enantioselective Trapping: Manipulation of the Template

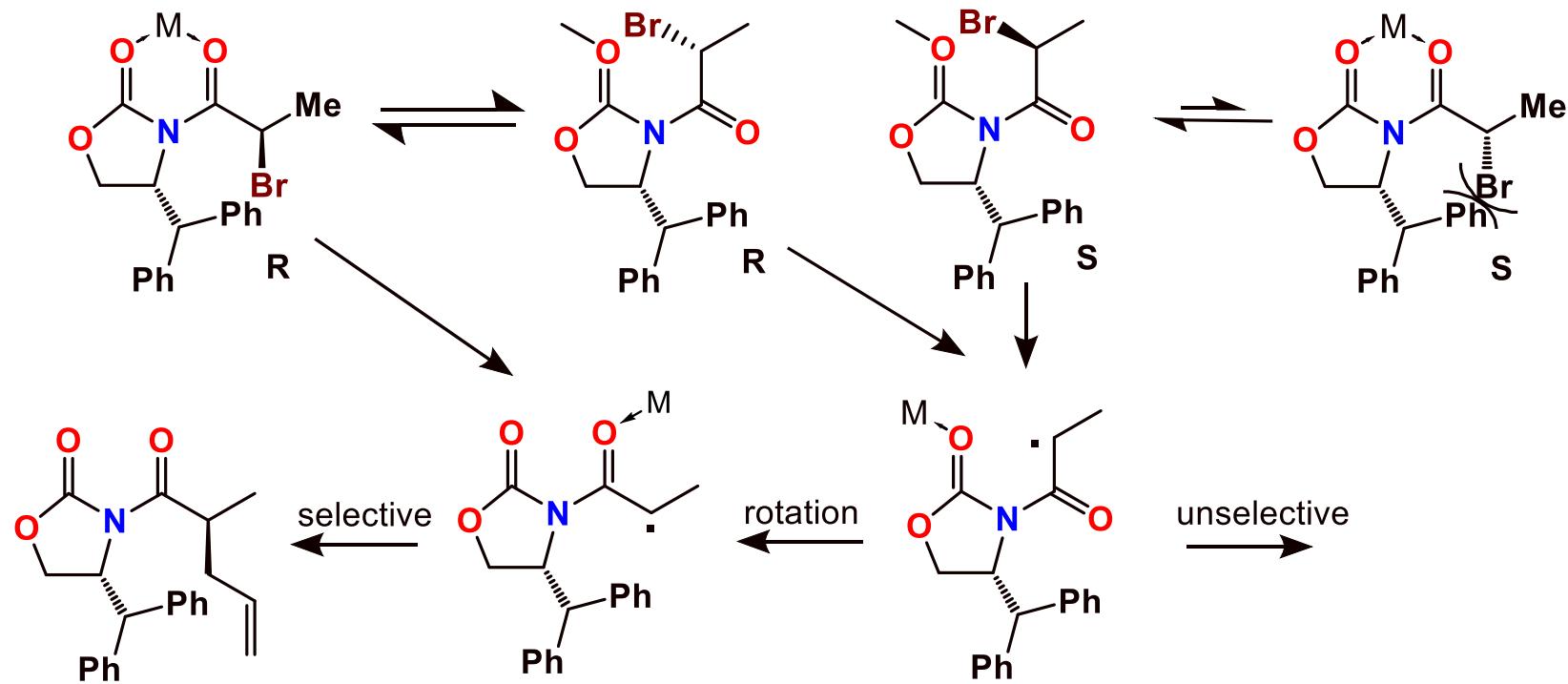


	164a-d	165	166					
a	R	Entry	Substrate	Ligand	MX₂(eq.)	T (°C)	Yield (%)	ee (%)
b	4-Me	1	164a	120	Zn(OTf) ₂ (1.0)	-78	70	59 (S)
c	5-Cl							
d	5-CO ₂ Me	2	164a	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (1.0)	-78	75	96 (S)
		3	164a	168	Zn(OTf) ₂ (1.0)	-78	42	75 (R)
		4	164a	167	MgBr ₂ (1.0)	-78	54	84 (R)
		5	164a	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (2.0)	-78	83	>99 (S)
		6	164a	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (2.0)	-20	94	95 (R)
		7	164b	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (1.0)	-20	93	91 (R)
		8	164a	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (1.0)	-20	85	70 (R)
		9	164c	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (1.0)	-20	88	67 (S)
		10	164d	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (1.0)	-20	91	80 (S)
		11	164a	167	Zn(OTf) ₂ (0.2)	-20	69	81 (S)



Porter, N. A. et al *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1999**, *40*, 671

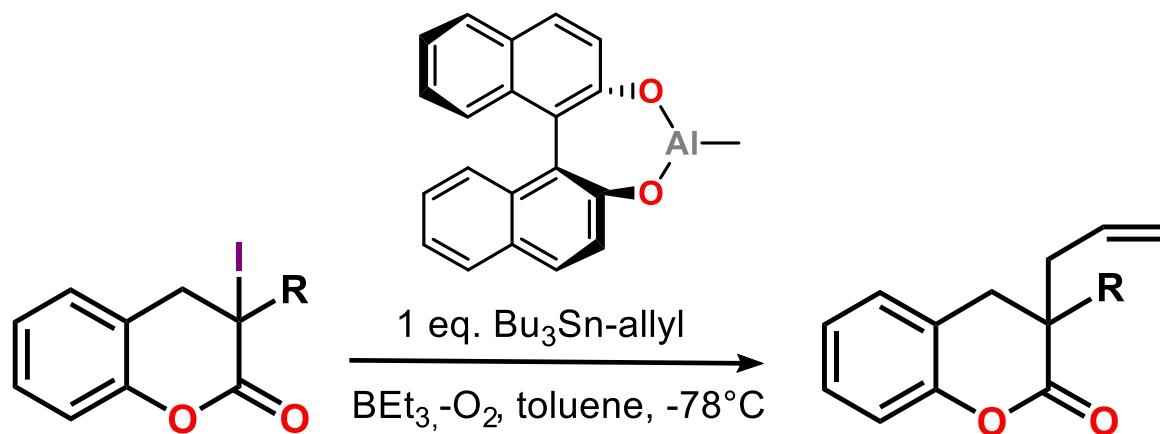
Explanation for the Reaction Selectivity



- Rate of rotation must increase with temperature faster than the rate of trapping with allyl stannane.
- The relative rates of rotation vs. allyl trapping explain why slower reacting allyl reagents show higher selectivity.

Sibi, JACS, 2000, 122, 8873

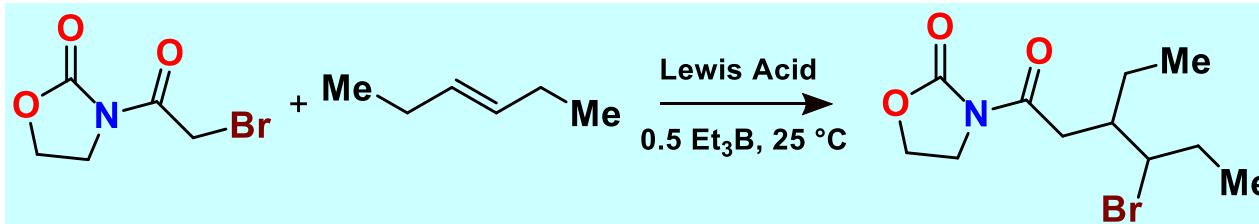
Synthesis of Quaternary Centers



R	eq. LA	Additive	Yield (%)	ee(%)	Config.
Me	1.0	none	72	27	R
Me	1.0	Et_2O	84	81	R
Me	0.1	Et_2O	83	72	R
CH_2OMe	0.1	Et_2O	76	74	R
CH_2OEt	0.1	Et_2O	74	70	R
CH_2OBn	0.1	Et_2O	78	71	R

Murakata, M.; Jono, T.; Mizuno, Y.; Hoshino, O. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1997**, *119*, 11713.

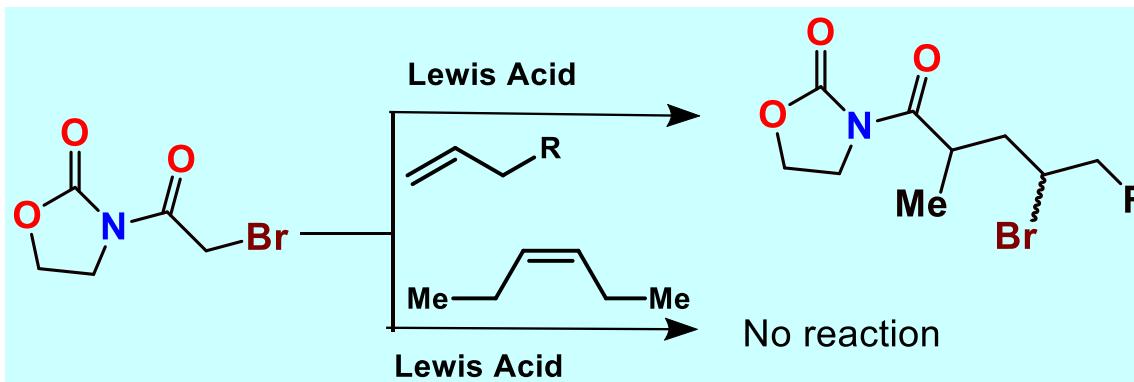
Lewis Acid Promoted Atom-Transfer Radical Additions



- With Lewis Acid activation, alkenes are nucleophilic enough to react with the radical intermediate.
- Atom transfer products can be isolated if alkenes, rather than allyl-metal reagents, are used as nucleophiles

Lewis Acid (1 equiv)	Conv. %
None	< 10
Mg(OTf) ₂	16
Sc(OTf) ₃	47
Yb(OTf) ₃	100

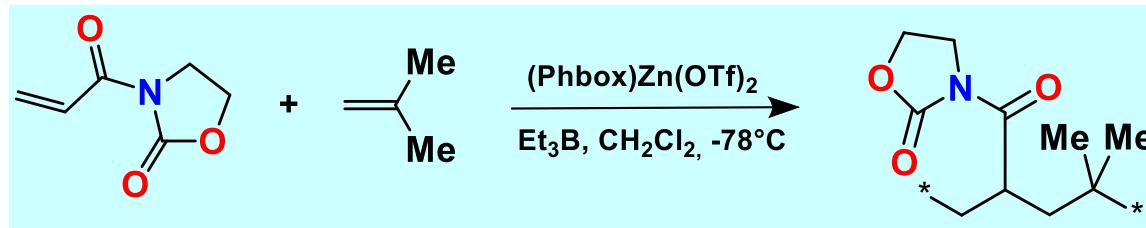
Secondary Bromides



Porter, JACS, 1999, 121, 5155

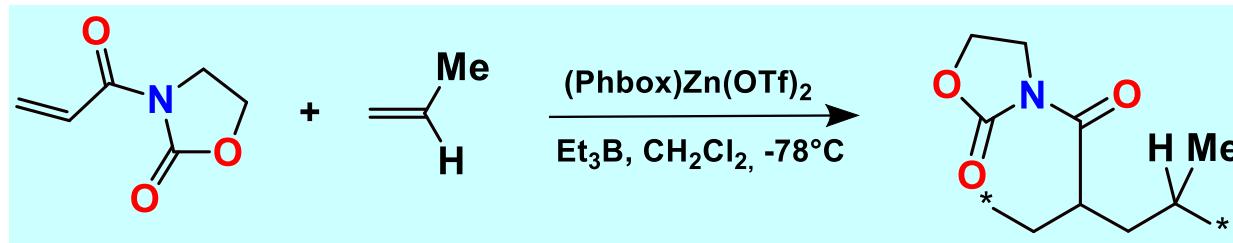
Free-Radical Polymerization of Acrylimides

- Diastereoselective Copolymerization



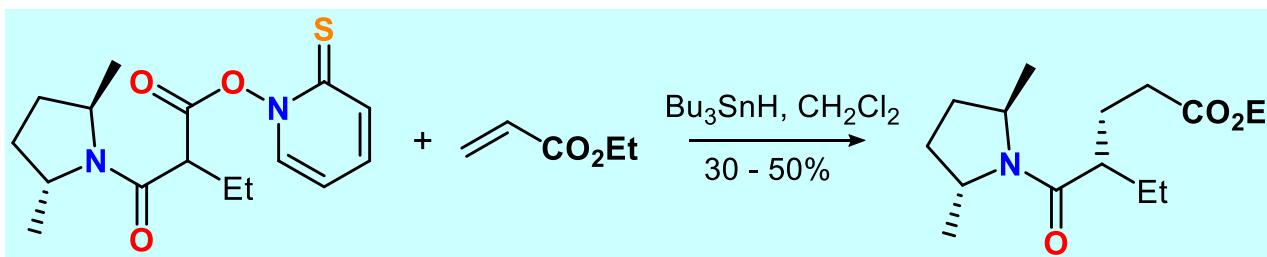
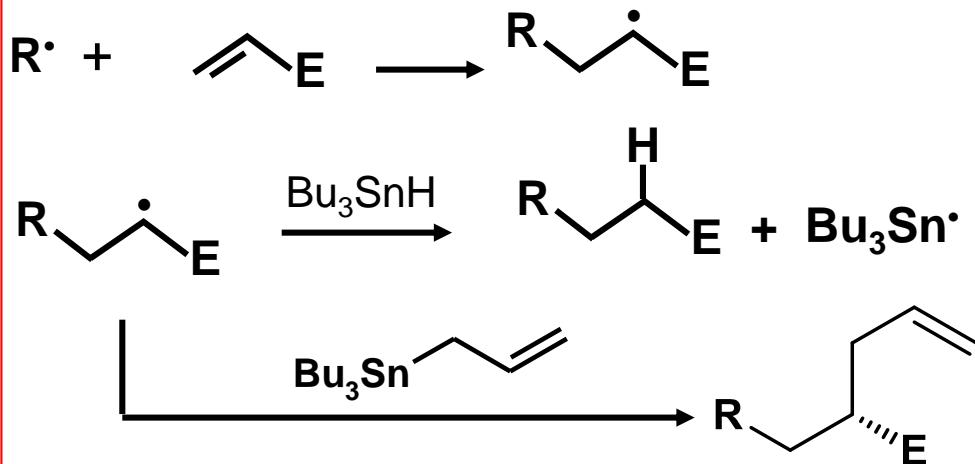
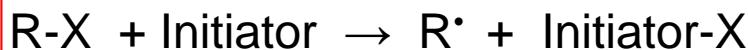
- Degree of copolymerization depended on Lewis Acid. $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$ in Et_2O gave best results (1:1).
- R = Bn provided > 95:5 diastereoselectivity.

- Enantioselective Copolymerization



- To get good copolymerization, 3.7 equiv. of Zn were required.
- Polymer was formed in approximately 60% ee. Porter, JOC, 2000, 775.

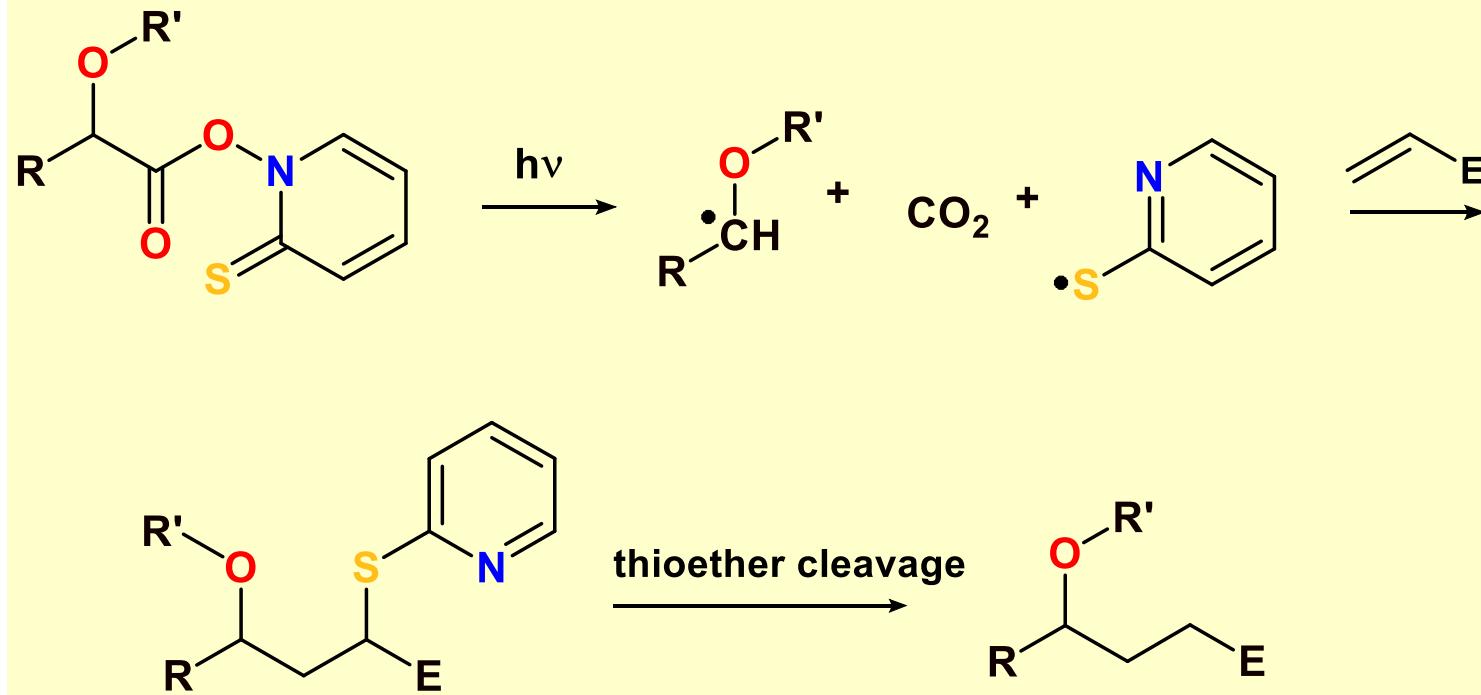
Radical Conjugate Addition



Temp.	dr
80 (benzene)	12:1
23	25:1
-24	36:1

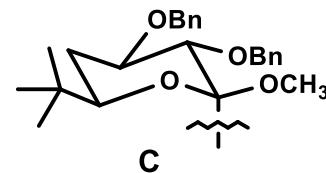
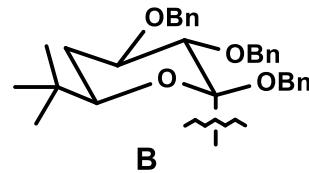
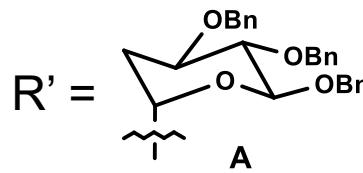
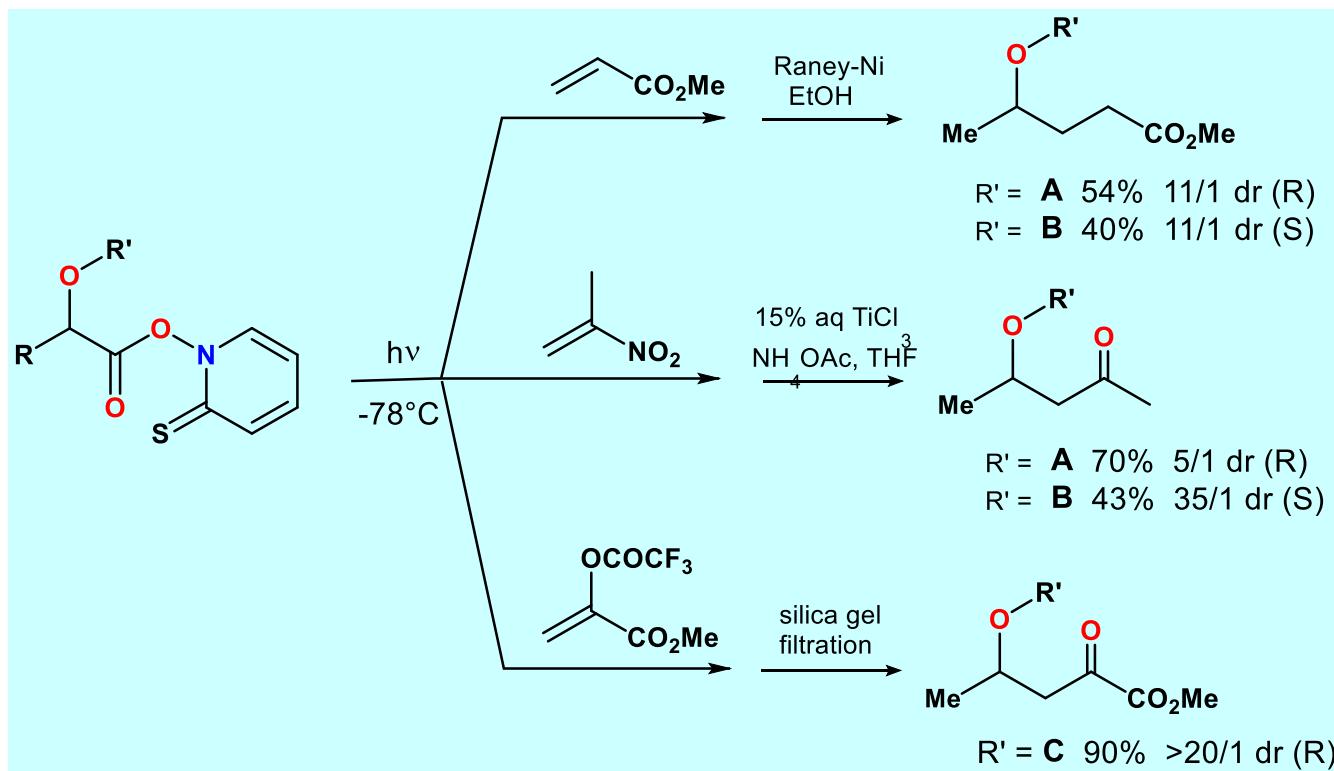
Porter, N.A.; Swann, E.; Nally, J.; McPhail, A.T. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, 112, 6740.

Hydroxyalkyl Radicals – Chiral Auxiliaries



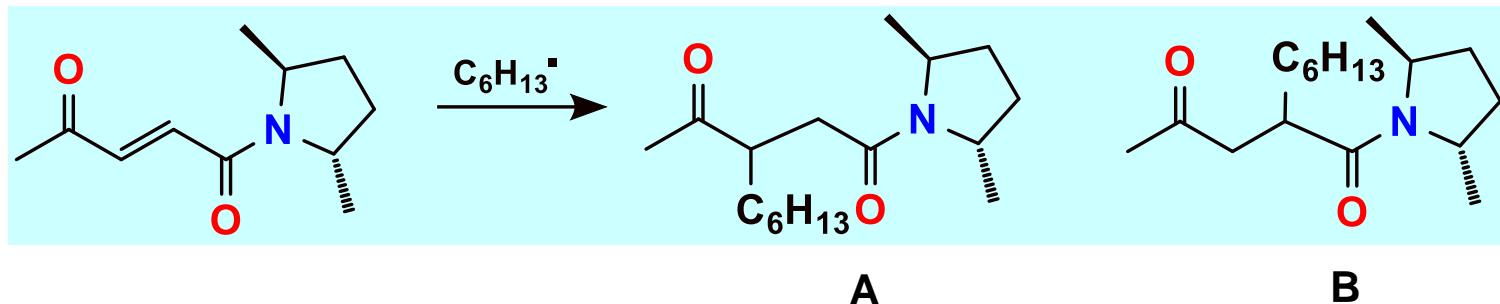
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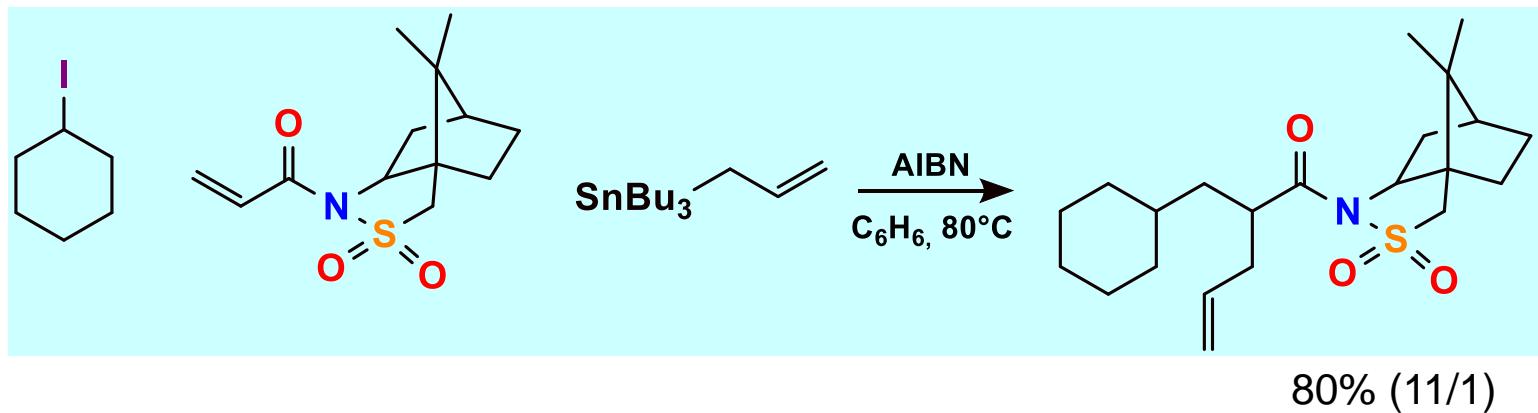
Garner, P.; Anderson, J.T.; Cox, P.B.; Klippenstein, S.J.; Leslie, R.; Scardovi, N. *J. Org. Chem.* **2002**, *67*, 61–95.

Chiral Michael Acceptors



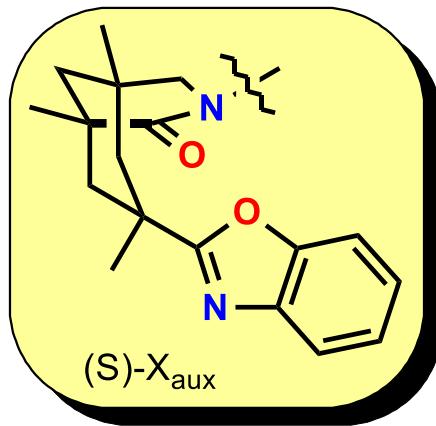
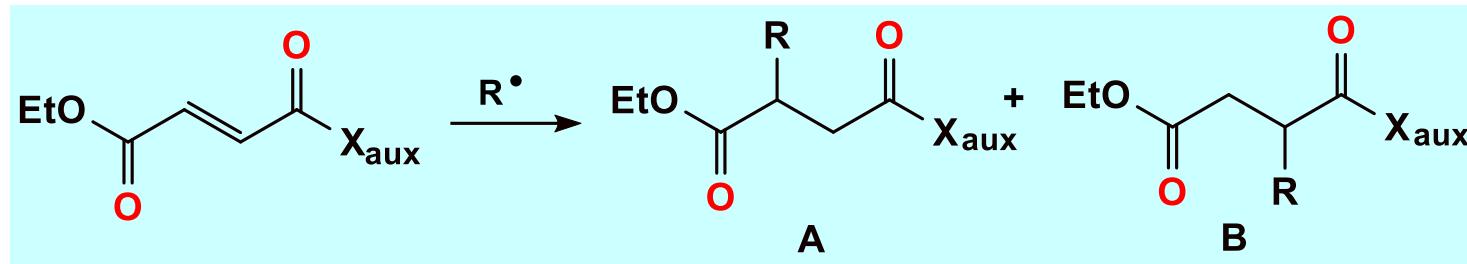
80°C AIB = 1.1 dr A = 1.5 dr B = 7.2

0°C A/B = .95 dr A = 1.5 dr B = 15.0



Porter, N.A.; Scott, D.M.; Lacher, B. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1989, 111, 831 1.
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Curran's Auxiliary in Conjugate Addition

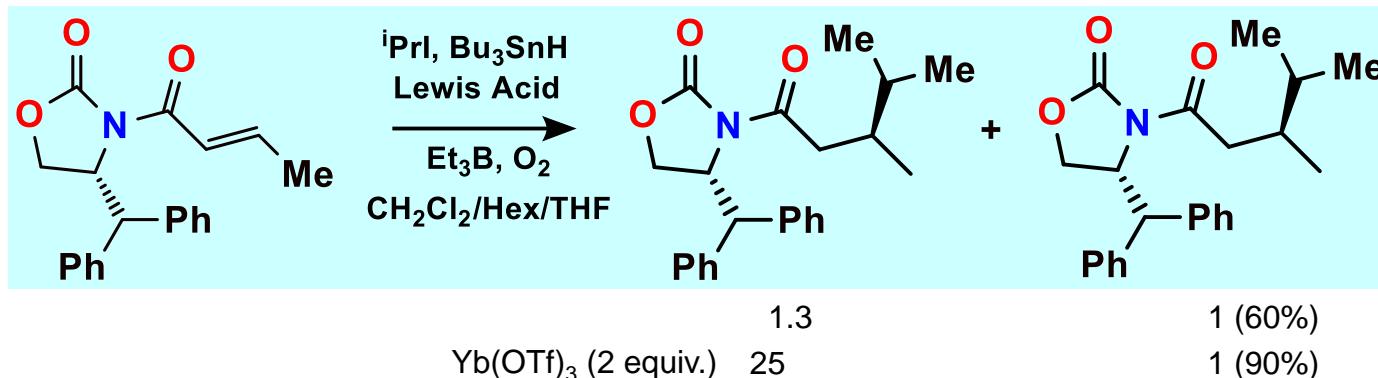


R	Temp.	Yield%	A:B	A dr
<i>t</i> -Bu	80	64	97:3	78:19
<i>n</i> -Bu	0	69	97:3	88:9
<i>i</i> -Bu	-20	68	>99:1	94:6
<i>i</i> -Pr	0	42	>99:1	82:18

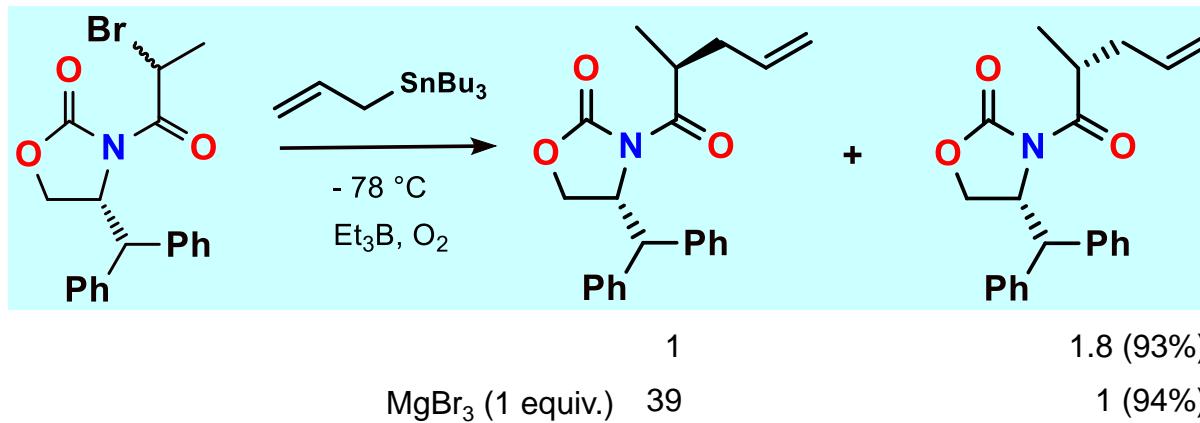
Stack, J.G.; Curran, D.P.; Geib, S.V.; Rebek Jr., J.; Ballester, P *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, 114, 7007.

Complex Controlled Diastereoselective Conjugate Additions

Conjugate Addition

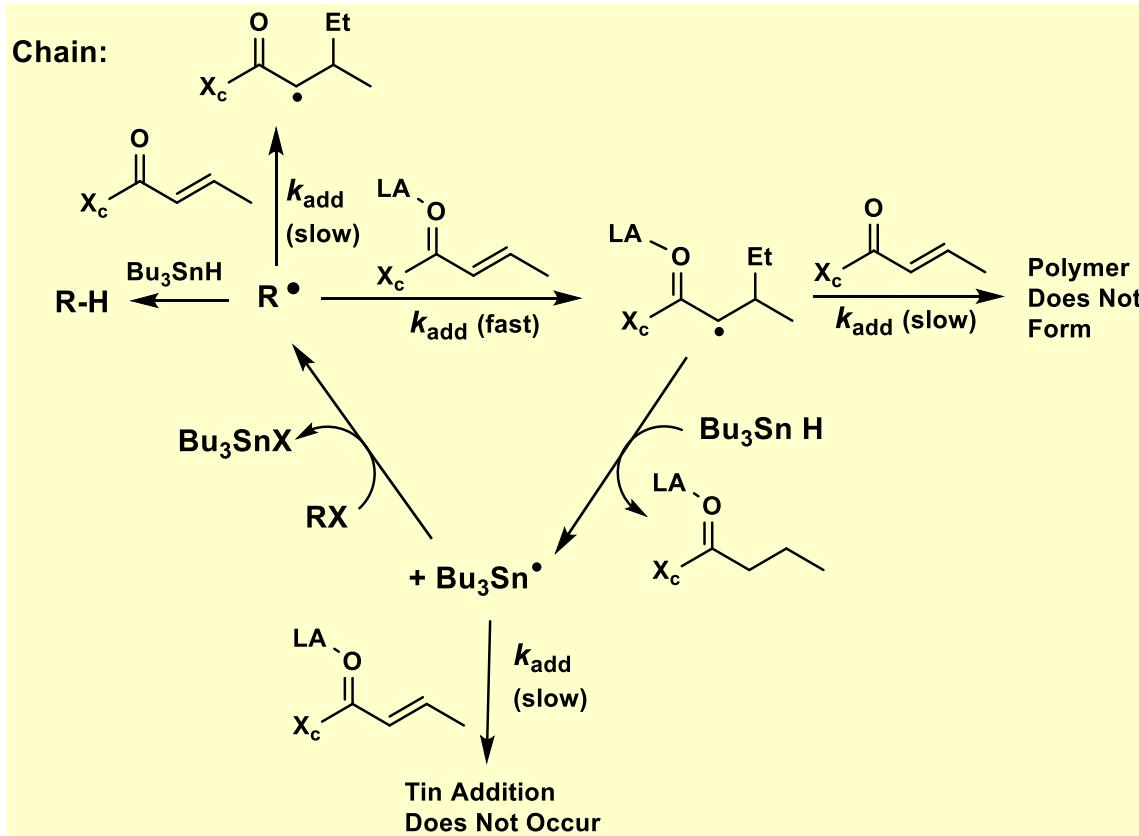
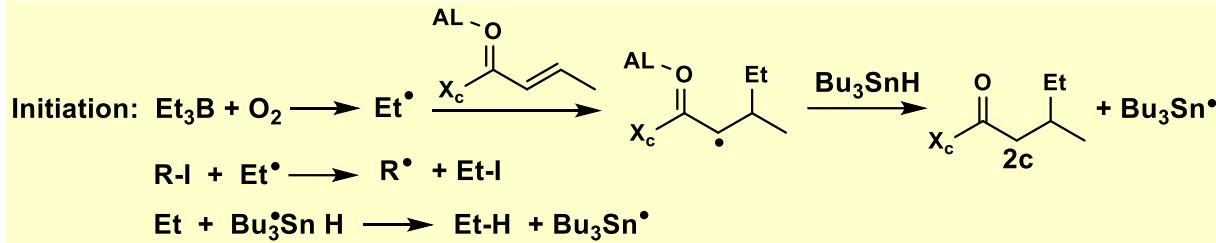
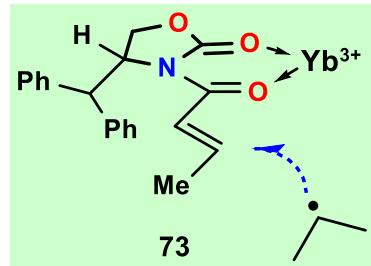


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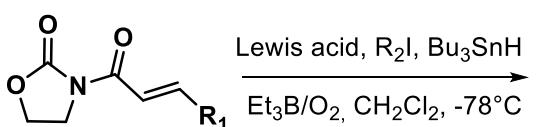


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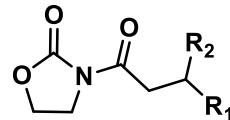
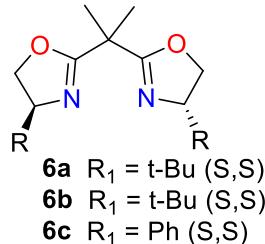
Complex Controlled Diastereoselective Conjugate Additions



Enantioselective Conjugate Addition



5a $\text{R}_1 = \text{Ph}$
5b $\text{R}_1 = \text{CH}_3$
5c $\text{R}_1 = \text{H}$



7a $\text{R}_1 = \text{Ph}, \text{R}_2 = \text{i-Pr}$
7b $\text{R}_1 = \text{CH}_3, \text{R}_2 = \text{t-Bu}$
7c $\text{R}_1 = \text{CH}_3, \text{R}_2 = \text{c-C}_6\text{H}_{11}$

Wu, J.H.; Radinov, R.; Porter, N.A. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 11029.
 Sibi, M. P. et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1996**, *118*, 9200; **2001**, *123*, 9472.

Table 1. Enantioselective Conjugate Radical Additions using Stoichiometric Chiral Lewis Acid^a

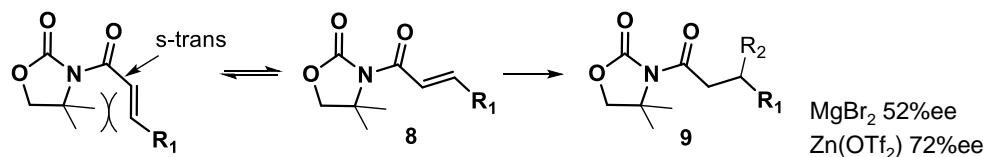
entry	substrate	product	ligand ^b	Lewis acid ^c	yield (%) ^d	ee (%) ^e
1	5a	7a	SS-6a	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	61	37 (R)
2	5a	7a	SS-6a	$\text{Mg}(\text{OTf})_2$	61	45 (R)
3	5a	7a	SS-6a	MgBr_2	92	77 (R)
4	5a	7a	SS-6a	MgI_2	88	61 (R)
5	5a	7a	SS-6b	MgI_2	88	82 (R)
6	5a	7a	SS-6c	MgI_2	88	47 (S)
7	5a	7a	RR-6c	MgBr_2	84	32 (R)
8	5a	7a	SS-6c	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	88	61 (S)
9	5b	7c	RR-6c	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	66	72 (R)
10	5b	7b	RR-6c	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2$	90	82 (R)
11	5b	7b	RR-6c	$\text{Mg}(\text{OTf})_2$	60	55 (R)
12	5b	7b	RR-6c	$\text{Mg}(\text{ClO}_4)_2$	71	64 (R)
13	5b	7b	SS-6a	MgBr_2	78	82 (R)
14	5b	7b	SS-6b	MgI_2	88	74 (R)

^a For standard experimental conditions, see supporting information.
^b One equivalent of the ligand was used. ^c One equivalent of the Lewis acid was used. ^d Yields are for column or preparative TLC purified material. ^e Enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC analysis. The absolute stereochemistry of the product was determined by independent synthesis, X-ray analysis of a derivative, or hydrolysis (see supporting information for details).

Table 2. Enantioselective Radical Additions using Catalytic Chiral Lewis Acid^a

entry	substrate	product	Lewis acid/ligand	LA ^b (equiv)	yield (%) ^c	ee (%) ^d
1	5a	7a	$\text{MgI}_2/\text{6b}$	1.0	88	82
2	5a	7a	$\text{MgI}_2/\text{6b}$	0.5	86	79
3	5a	7a	$\text{MgI}_2/\text{6b}$	0.2	86	67
4	5a	7a	$\text{MgI}_2/\text{6b}$	0.05	57	40
5	5b	7b	$\text{MgI}_2/\text{6b}$	1.0	88	74
6	5b	7b	$\text{MgI}_2/\text{6b}$	0.2	73	66
7	5b	7b	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2/\text{6c}$	1.0	90	82
8	5b	7b	$\text{Zn}(\text{OTf})_2/\text{6c}$	0.2	71	70

^a For experimental conditions, see supporting information. ^b A 1:1 ratio of Lewis acid to ligand was used. ^c Yields are for column or preparative TLC purified material. ^d Enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC analysis.



Enantioselective Conjugate Addition

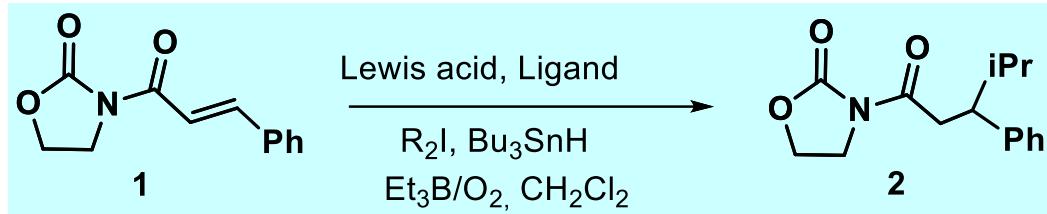
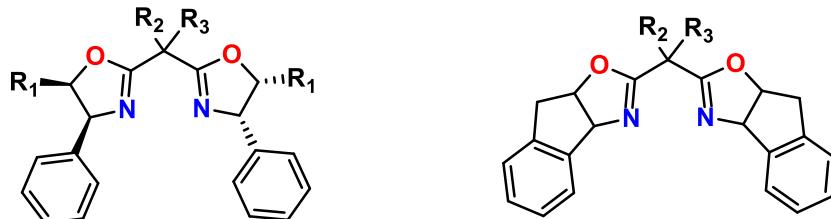


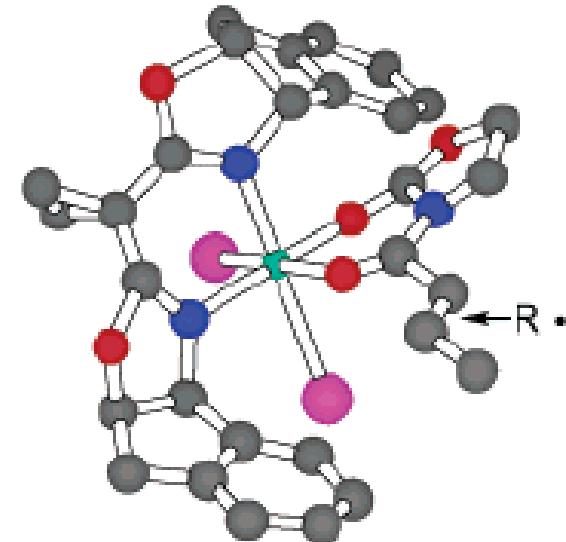
Table 1. Enantioselective Radical Additions Using MgI₂ as Lewis Acid. Effect of Ligand Structure^a

entry	ligand (stereochem)	yield ^b (%)	% ee (er) ^{c,d}	stereochemistry ^e
1	3a (SS)	88	47 (2.8:1)	S
2	3b (SS)	87	37 (2.1:1)	S
3	3c (4S,5R)	79	31 (2.0:1)	S
4	3d (4S,5R)	88	36 (2.1:1)	S
5	3e (4S,5R)	88	89 (17:1)	R
6	3f (4S,5R)	88	93 (28:1)	R
7	3g (4S,5R)	90	82 (10:1)	R
8	3h (4S,5R)	92	82 (10:1)	R

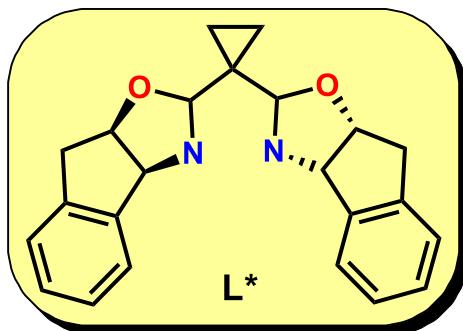
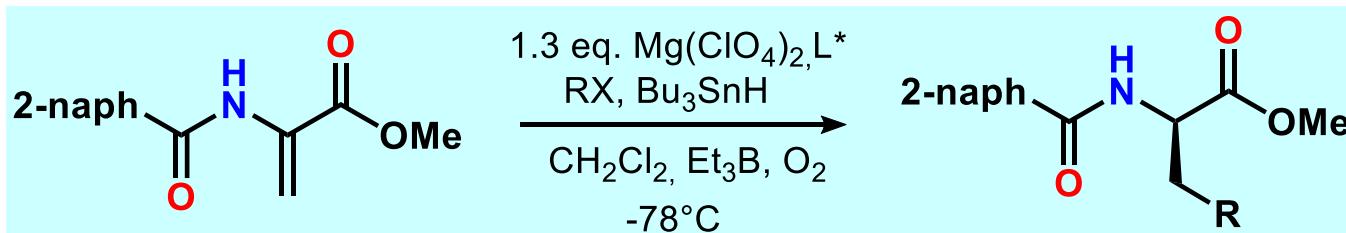


- 3a R₁ = H, R₂ = R₃ = CH₃
 3b R₁ = H, R₂, R₃ = (CH₂CH₂)
 3c R₁ = CH₃, R₂, R₃ = CH₃
 3d R₁ = CH₃, R₂, R₃ = (CH₂CH₂)

- 3e R₁ = R₂ = CH₃
 3f R₁, R₂ = (CH₂CH₂)
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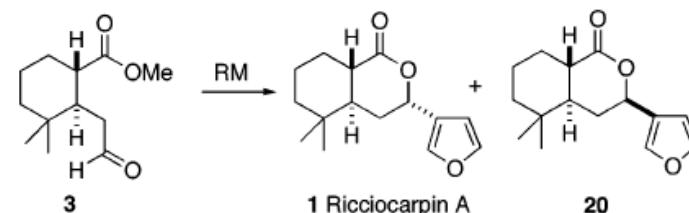
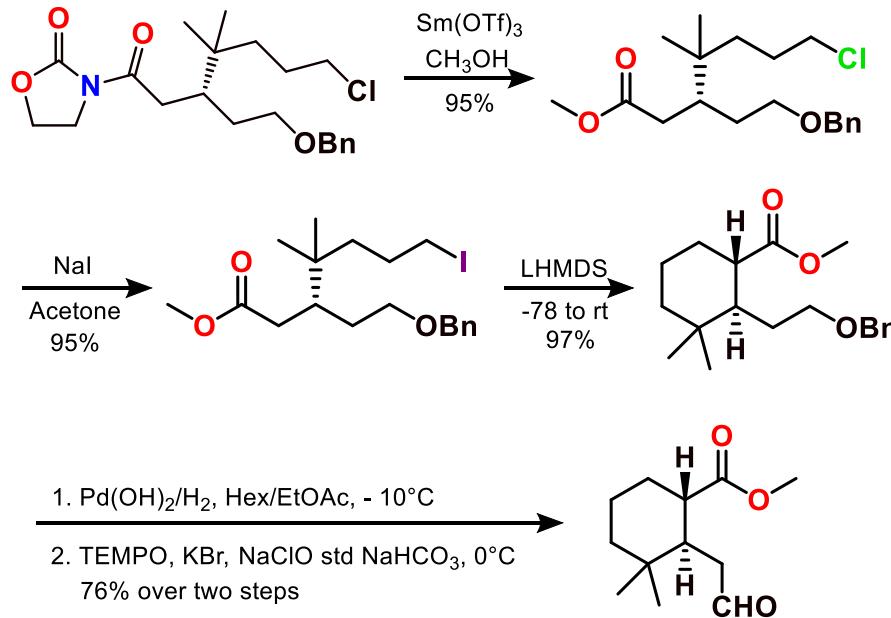
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RX	Yield%	ee
MeOCH ₂ Br	71	65
Etl	72	85
C-Hexl	62	55
i-PrI	62	83
T-Bul	54	27

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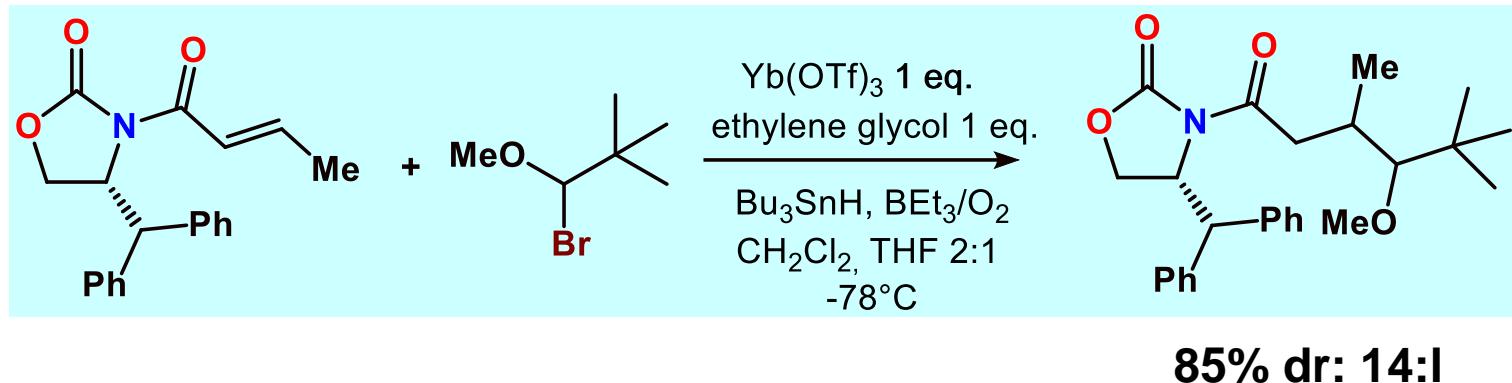


entry	RM	temp °C	solv.	time, h	yield, (%) ^b	ratio ^c 1:2 0
1	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{Li}$	-78	THF	6	33	1:3
2	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{Li}$	-78	Ether	5	26	1:7.8
3	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{MgBr}$	-78	Ether	3	21	1:6
4 ^d	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{Zn}(\text{P}_{\text{C}_6\text{H}_5})_2\text{Ti}(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_3$	0	Ether	10	8	1:3
5	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{Ti}(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_3$	-78	THF	4	28	1:1
6	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{O}_2\text{Ti}(\text{O}i\text{Pr})_3$	-78	Ether	4	85	5.7:1

^a For reaction conditions, see Supporting Information. ^b Isolated yield after column purification. ^c Determined by NMR. ^d Pseudoephedrine was used as a ligand.

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Alkene summary

- Chiral auxiliary and chiral Lewis acids have been used successfully in radical additions to alkenes.
- Oxazolidinones have proven to be the most versatile scaffold in these reactions.
- Aldol type products are accessible from appropriately substituted radicals or alkenes.

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