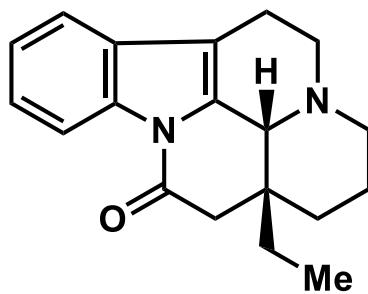


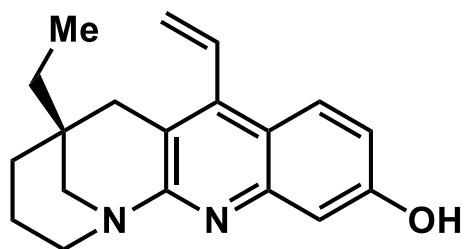
## COMMUNICATION

# The Enantioselective Synthesis of Eburnamonine, Eucophylline, and 16'-*epi*-Leucophyllidine

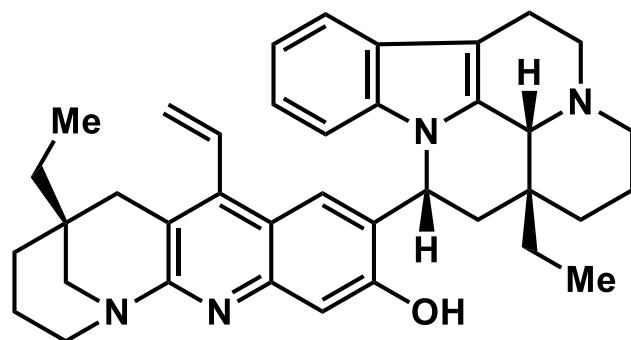
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Eburnamonine

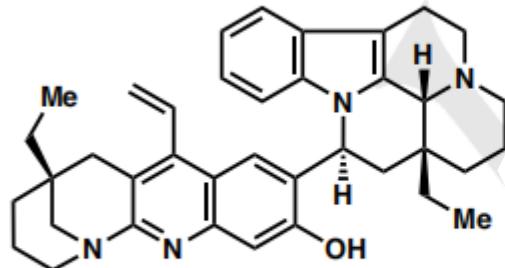


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Eucophylline

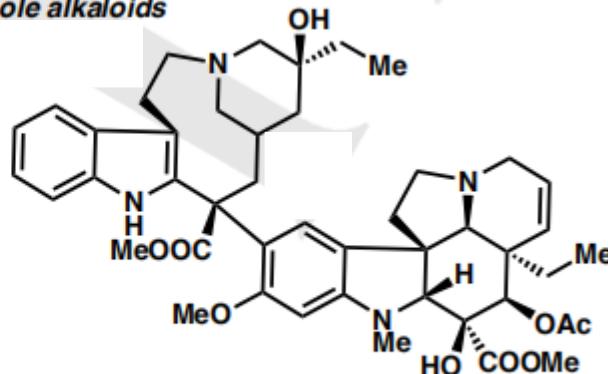


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16'-*epi*-leucophyllidine

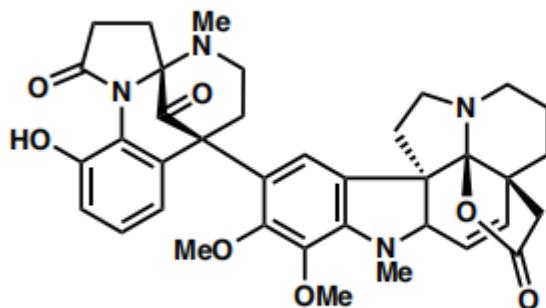
*a. Representative heterodimeric bisindole alkaloids*



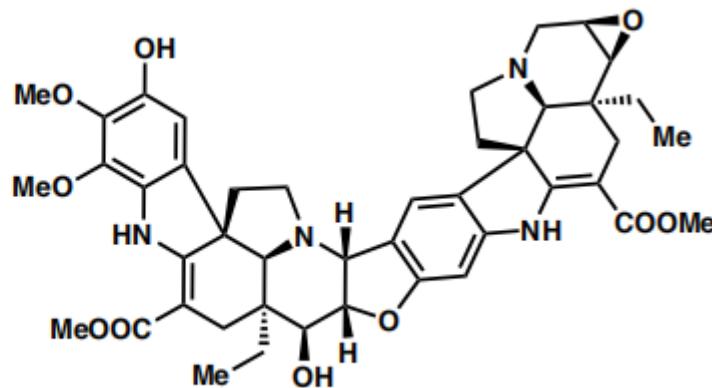
*Leucophyllidine (1)*



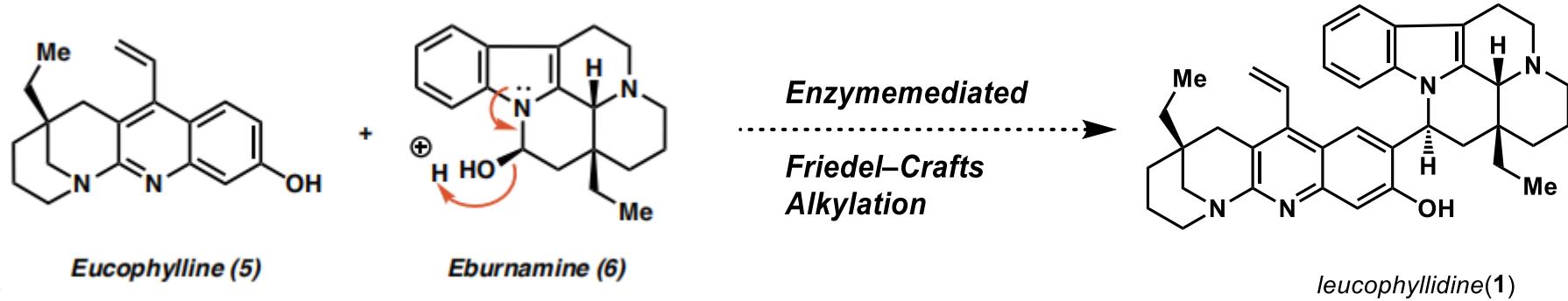
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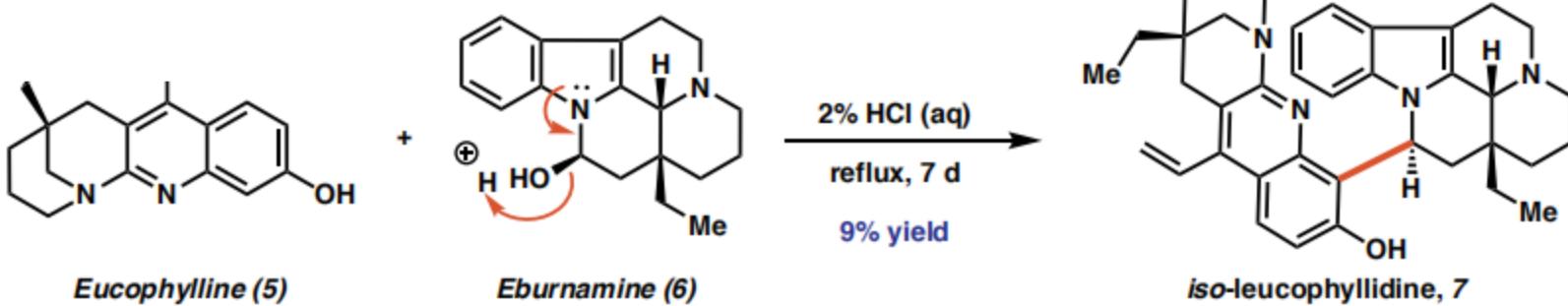
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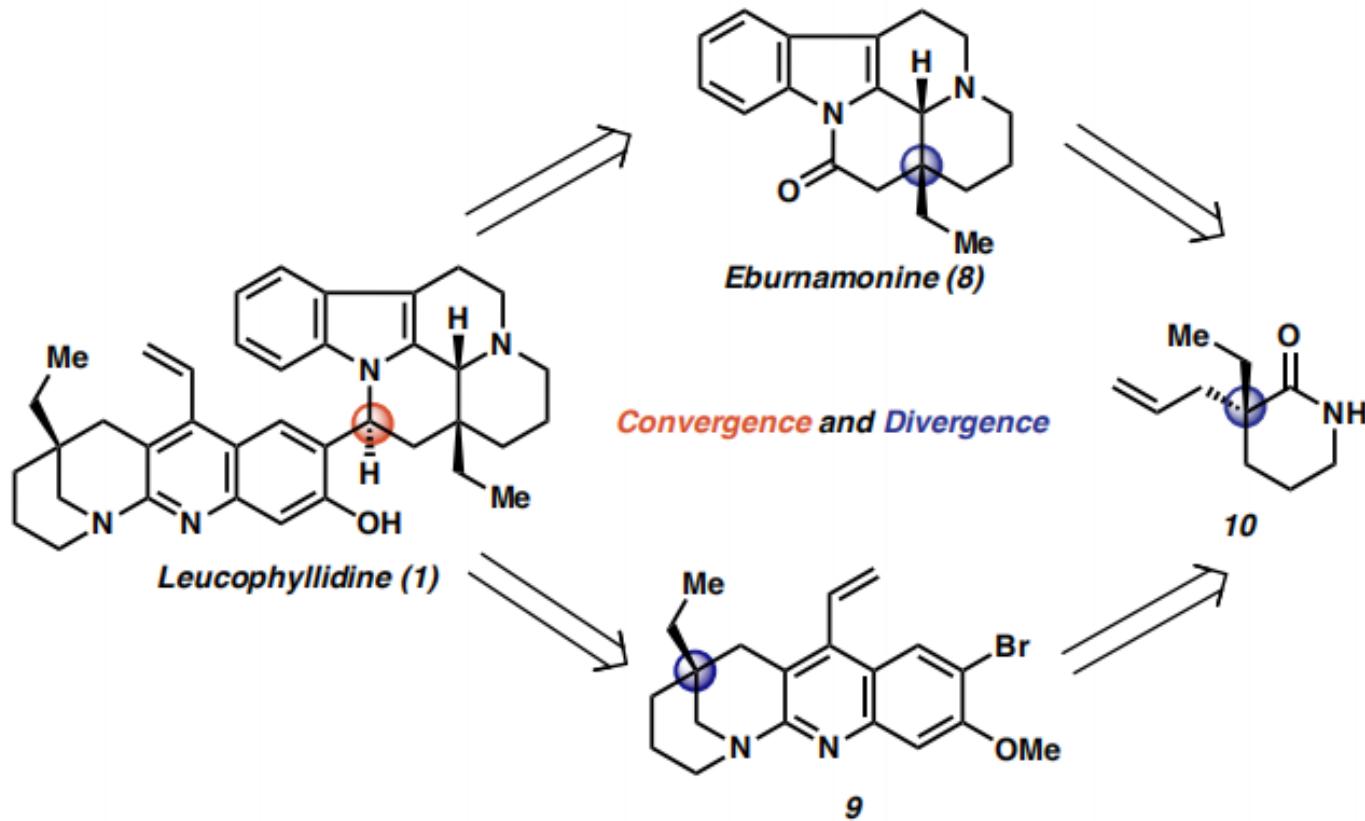


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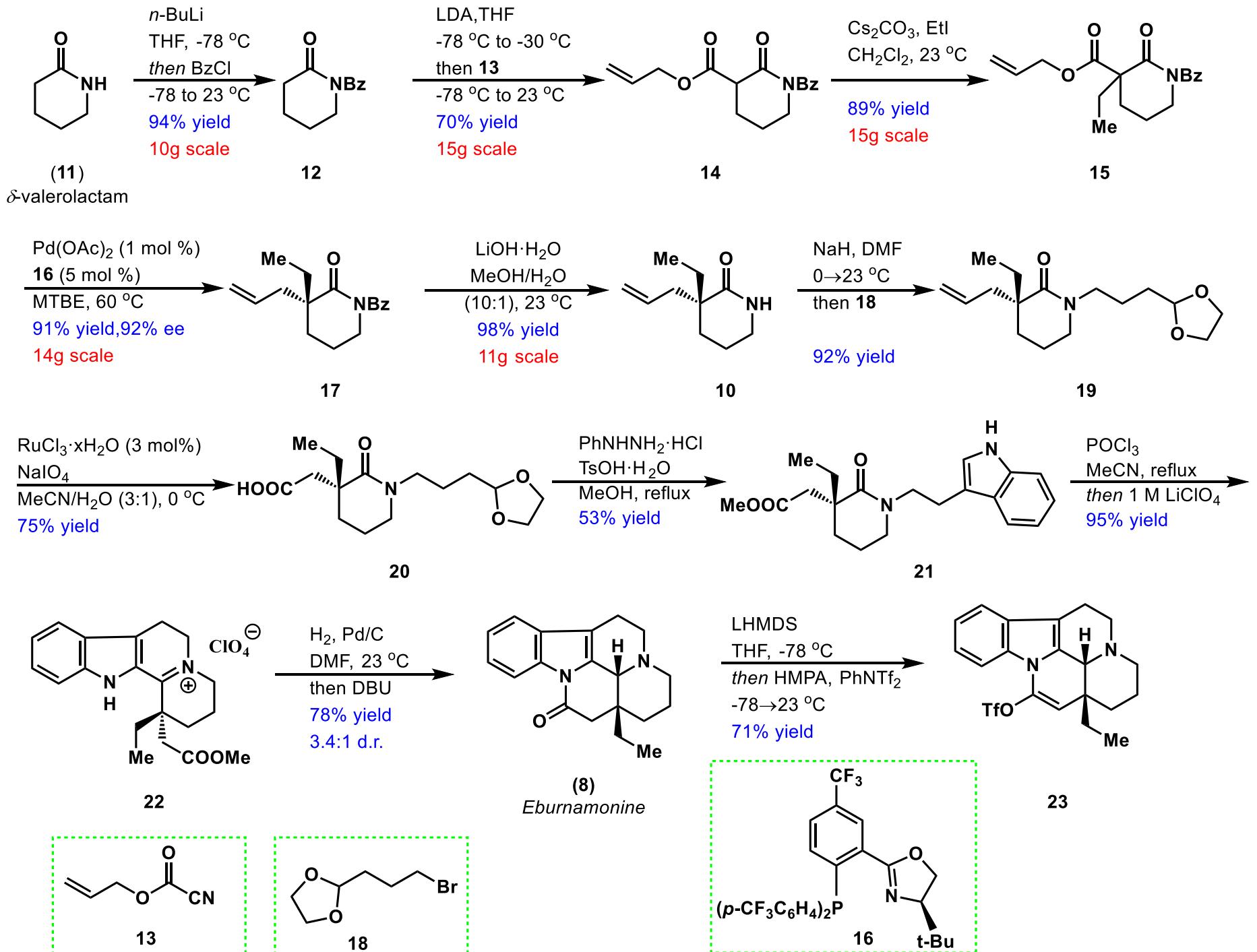


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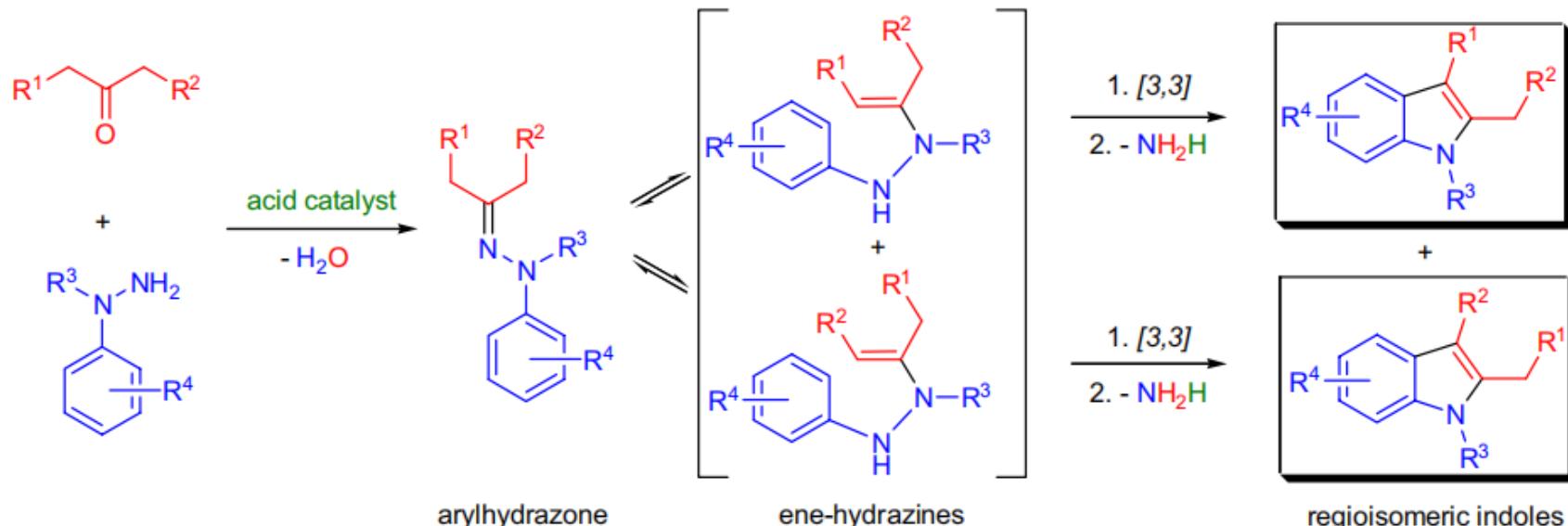


**Scheme 2.** Retrosynthetic analysis of leucophyllidine. Red circle =  $\alpha$ -amino stereogenic center. Blue circle = all-carbon quaternary stereogenic center.



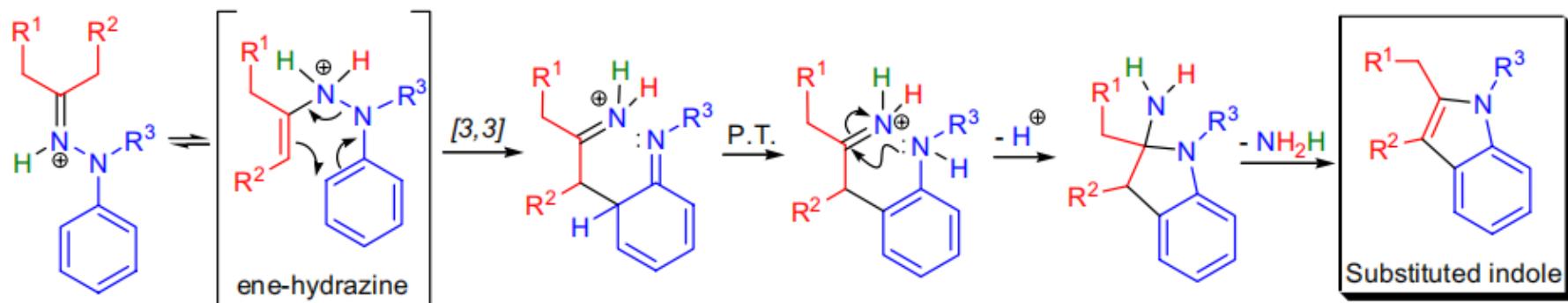
# FISCHER INDOLE SYNTHESIS

(References are on page 587)



### Mechanism: <sup>22-39</sup>

The currently accepted mechanism of the *Fischer indole synthesis* was originally proposed by R. Robinson in 1924.<sup>22</sup> There are five distinct steps: 1) coordination of the Lewis acid (e.g., proton) to the imine nitrogen; 2) tautomerization of the hydrazone to the corresponding ene-hydrazine; 3) disruption of the aromatic ring by a *[3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement*; 4) rearomatization via a proton shift and formation of the 5-membered ring by a favored 5-exo-trig cyclization; and 5) the loss of a molecule of ammonia to finally give rise to the indole system.



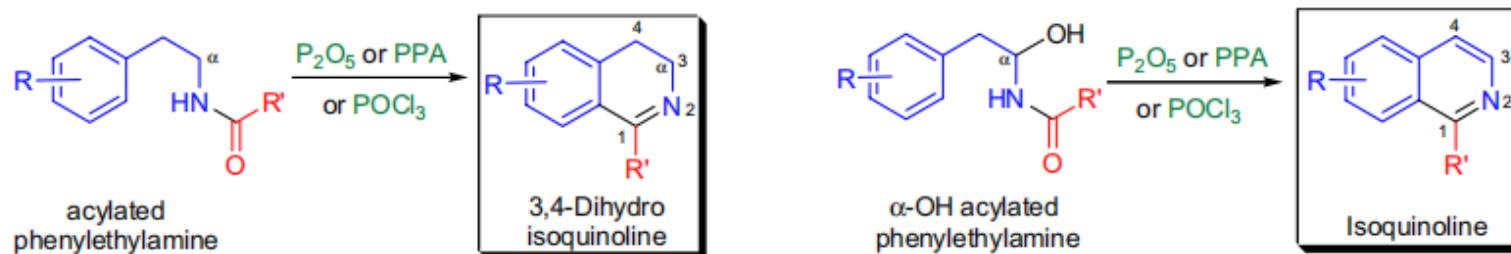
## BISCHLER-NAPIERALSKI ISOQUINOLINE SYNTHESIS

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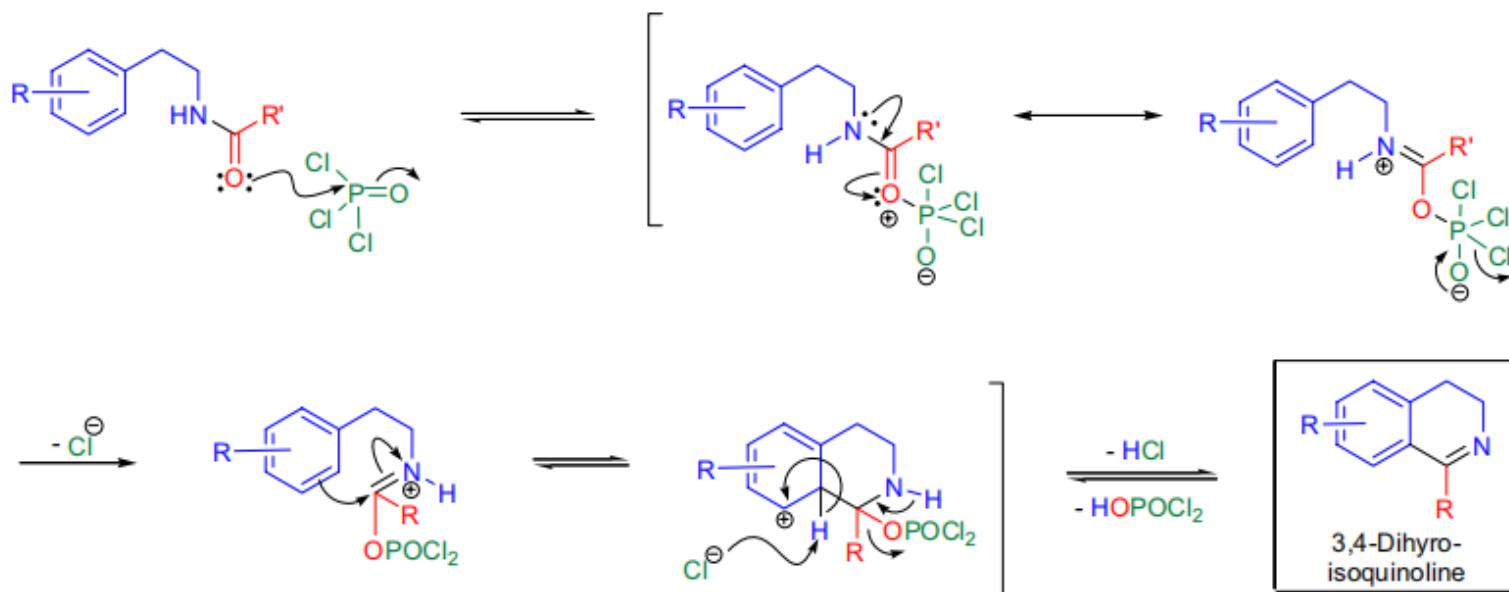
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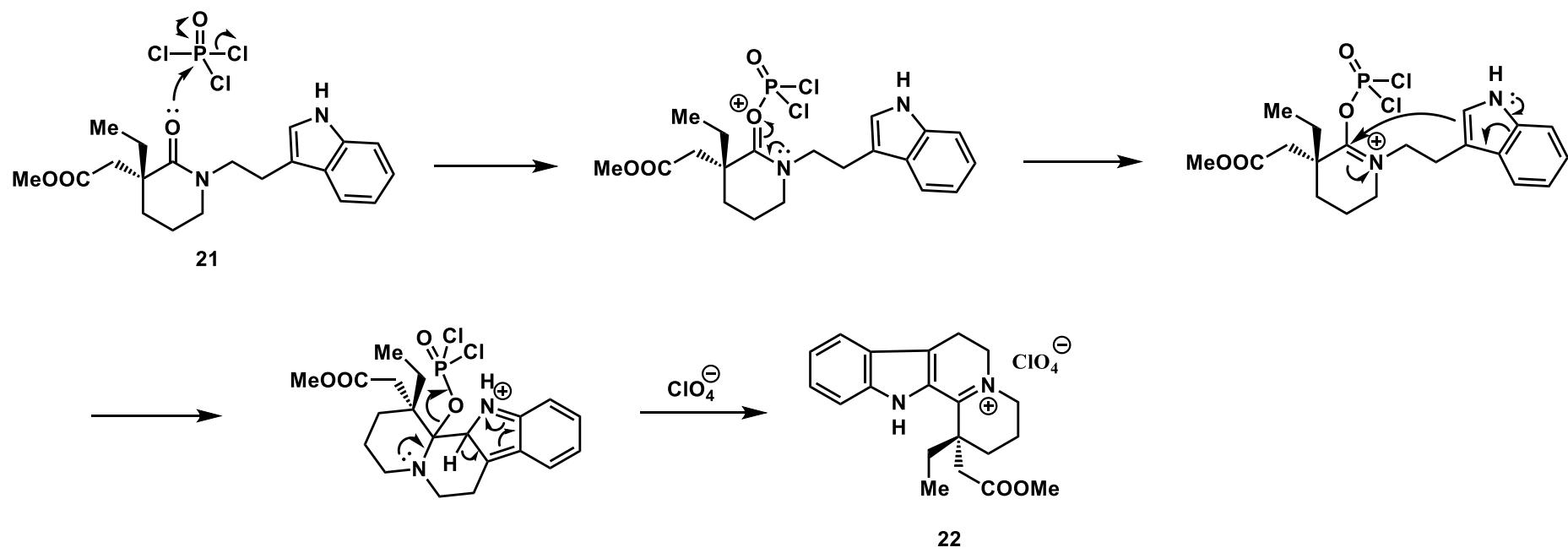
[Seminal Publication<sup>1</sup>; Reviews<sup>2-4</sup>; Modifications & Improvements<sup>5-15</sup>]

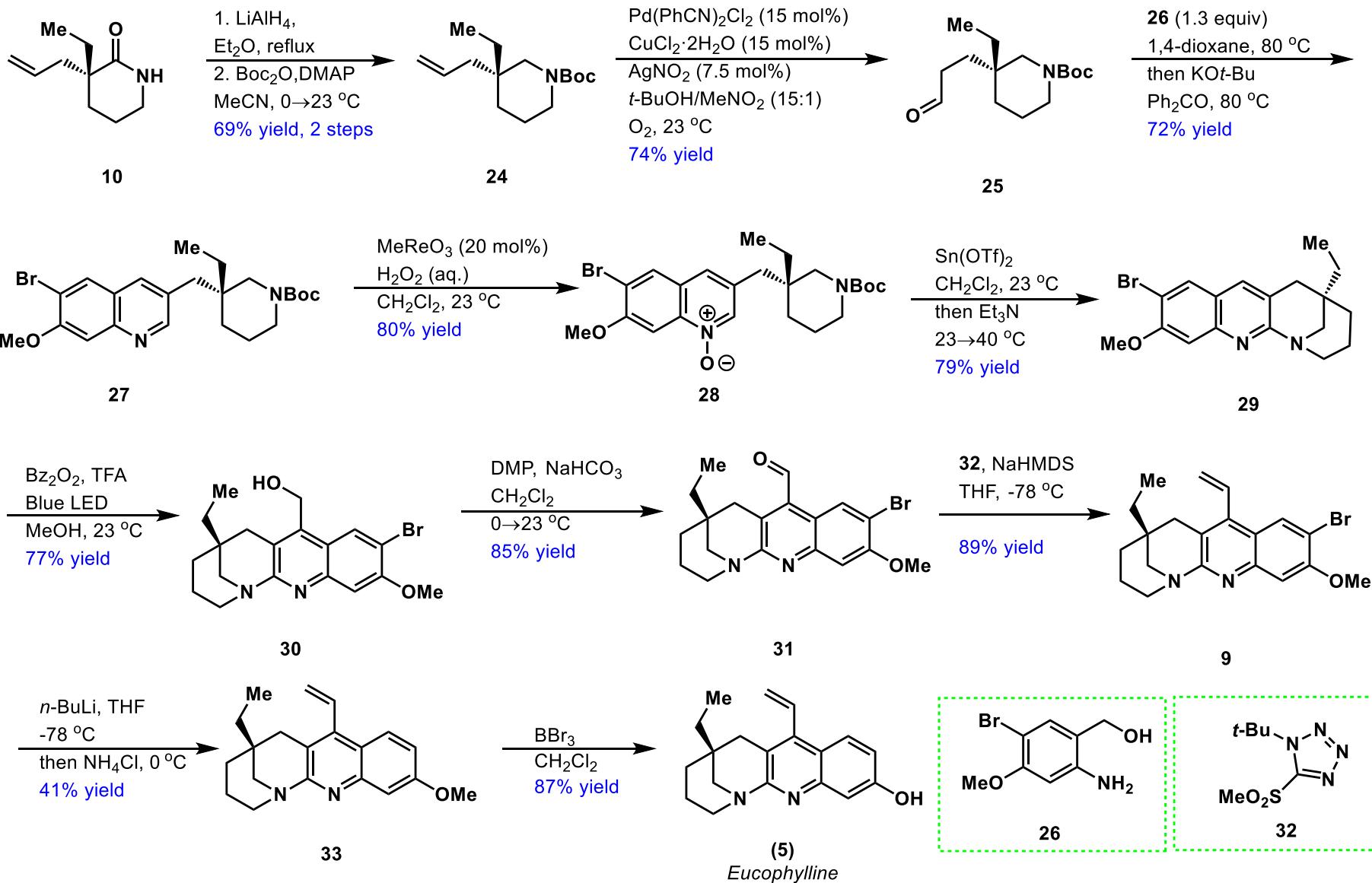
One of the Friedel-Crafts acylation routes toward the synthesis of isoquinolines is the *Bischler-Napieralski synthesis*. When an acyl derivative of a phenylethylamine is treated with a dehydrating agent ( $\text{POCl}_3$ ,  $\text{P}_2\text{O}_5$ , PPA, TFAA, or  $\text{Tf}_2\text{O}$ )<sup>6</sup> a cyclodehydration reaction takes place to form a 3,4-dihydroisoquinoline derivative. If the starting compound contains a hydroxyl group in the  $\alpha$ -position, an additional dehydration takes place yielding an isoquinoline.



### Mechanism:<sup>16,5</sup>

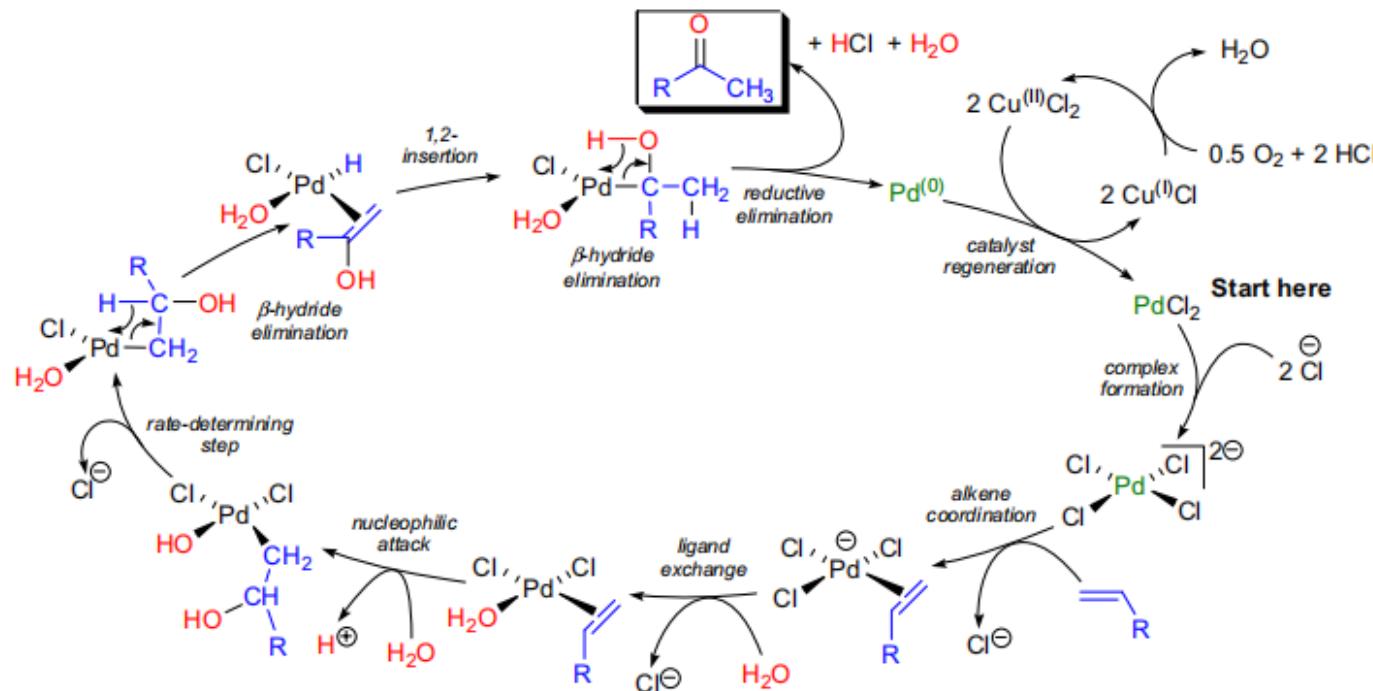






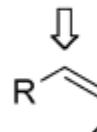
## Wacker Oxidation (机理书474页)

Certain steps in the mechanism of the *Wacker oxidation* are still unclear despite intensive research. One of these steps, the attack of the coordinated alkene by the nucleophile ( $\text{OH}^-$  or  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$ ), could be both intra- or intermolecular as the observed rate law is consistent with either possibility. One of the plausible catalytic cycles is presented.

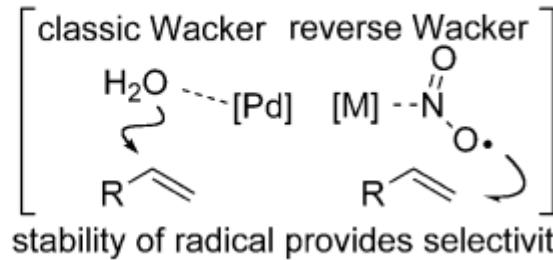


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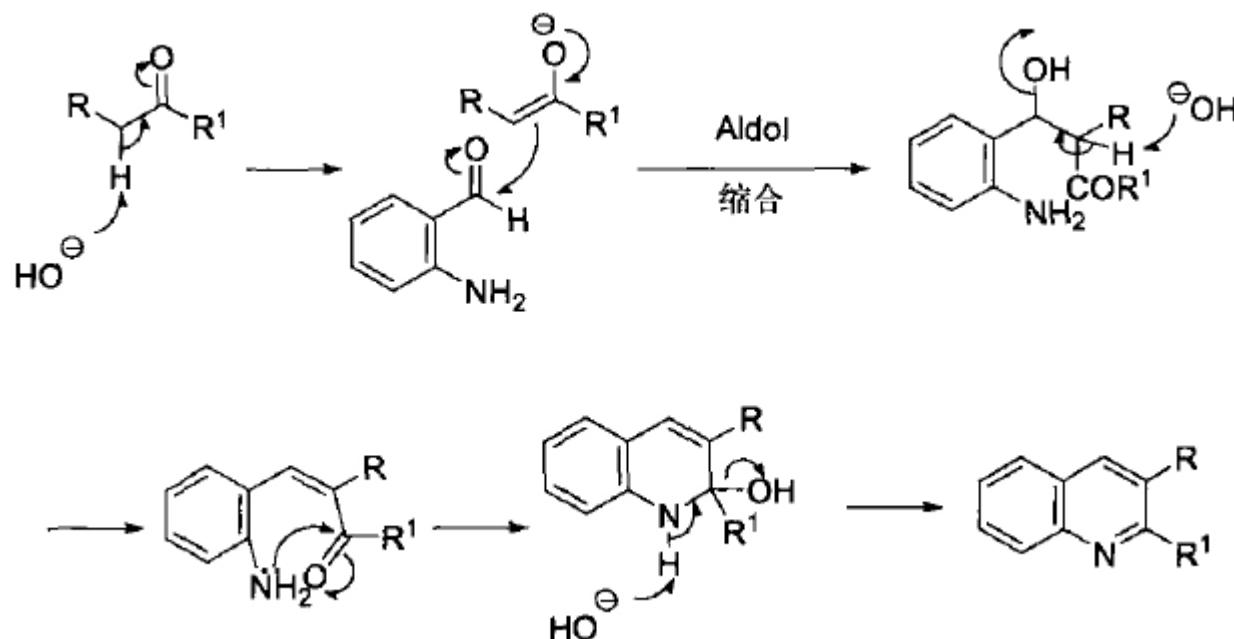
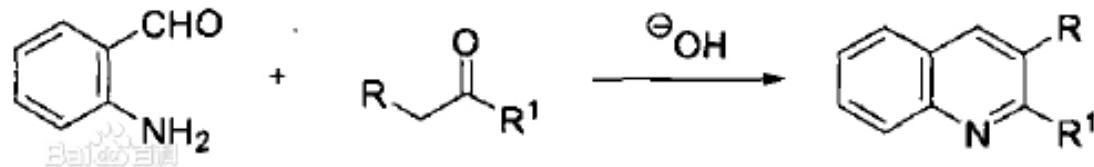
polar attack (classic Wacker)

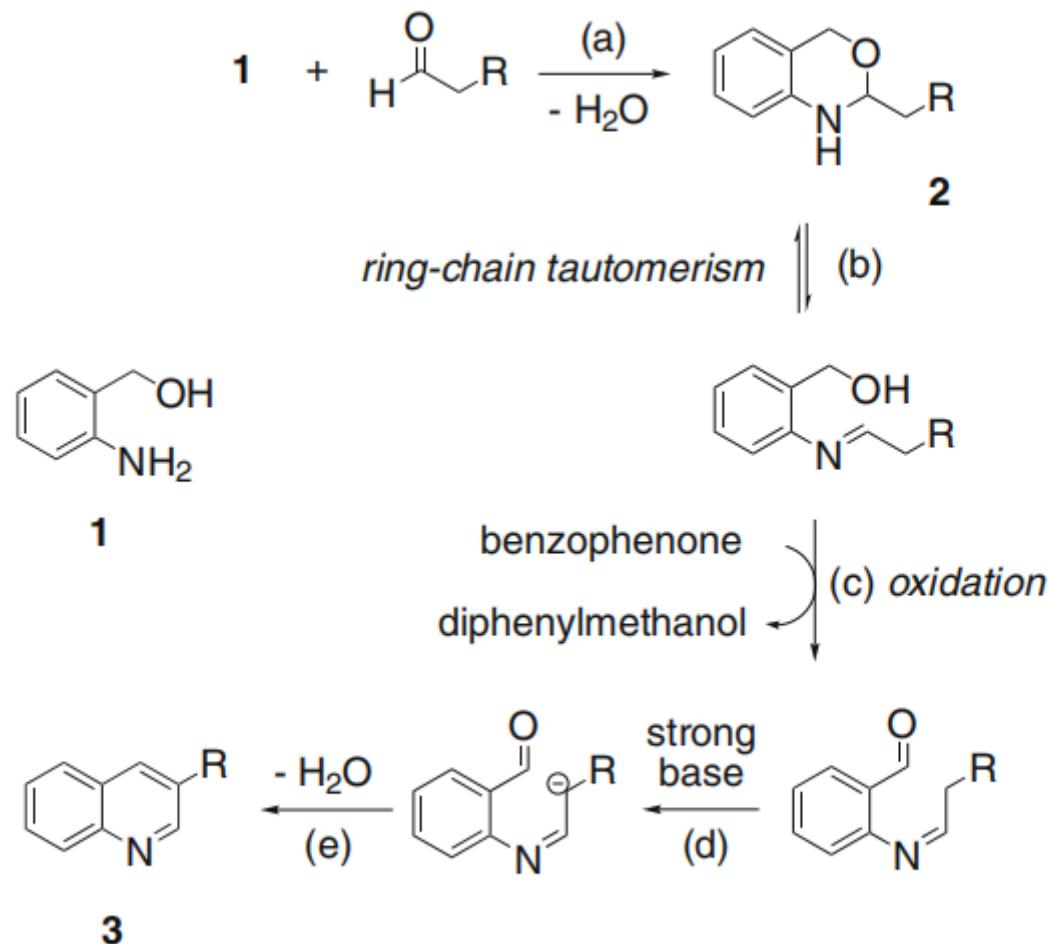


radical attack (this work?)



## Friedlander 喹啉合成

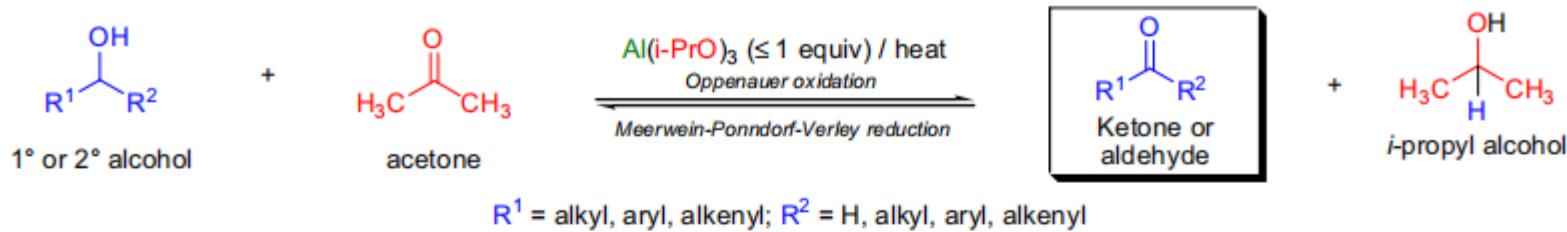




**Scheme 2.** General reaction mechanism.

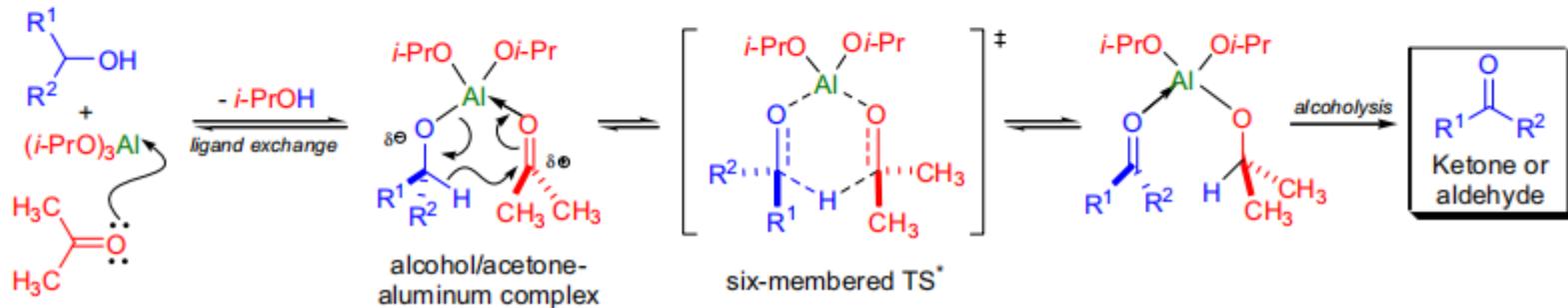
## OPPENAUER OXIDATION

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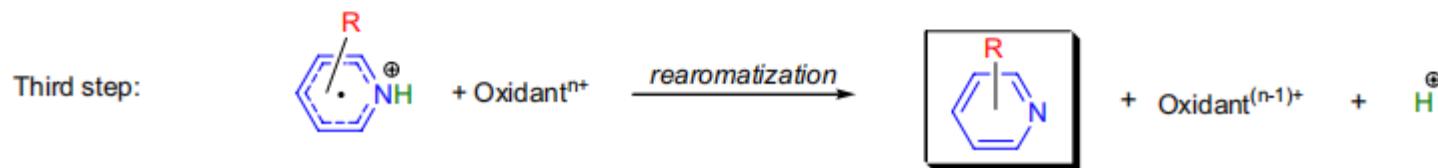
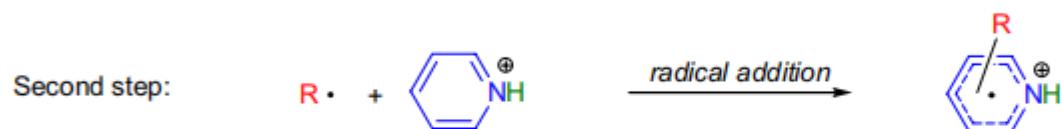
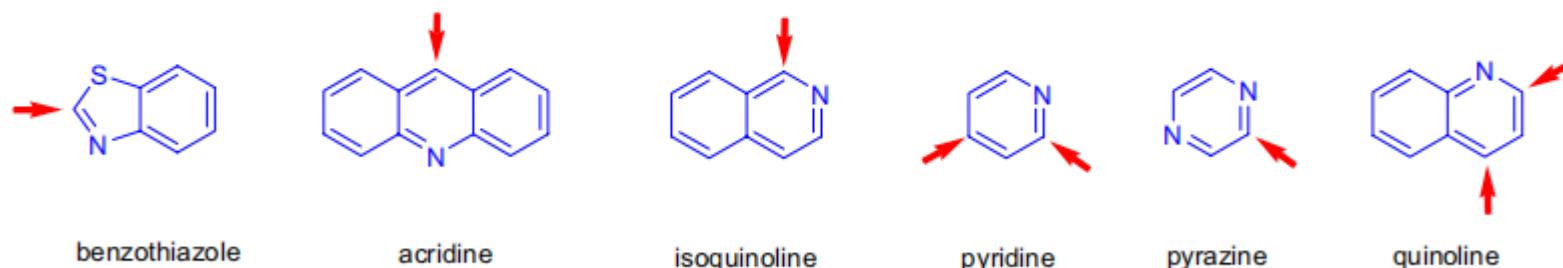


### Mechanism: 24-29

Both the oxidant carbonyl compound (acetone) and the substrate alcohol are bound to the metal ion (aluminum). The alcohol is bound as the alkoxide, whereas the acetone is coordinated to the aluminum which activates it for the hydride transfer from the alkoxide. The hydride transfer occurs *via* a six-membered chairlike transition state. The alkoxide product may leave the coordination sphere of the aluminum *via* alcoholysis, but if the product alkoxide has a strong affinity to the metal, it results in a slow ligand exchange, so a catalytic process is not possible. That is why often stoichiometric amounts of aluminum alkoxide is used in these oxidations.

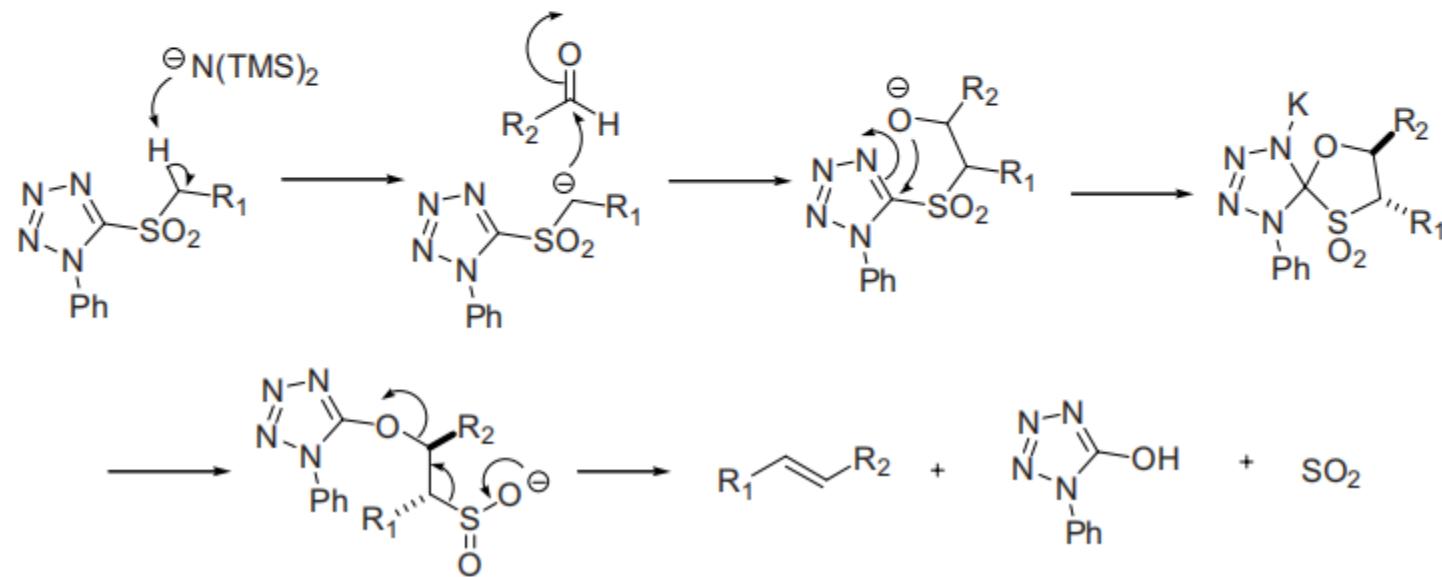
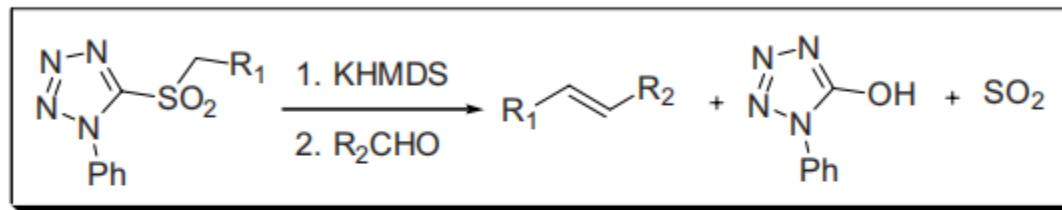


**MINISCI REACTION**  
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## Julia–Kocienski olefination

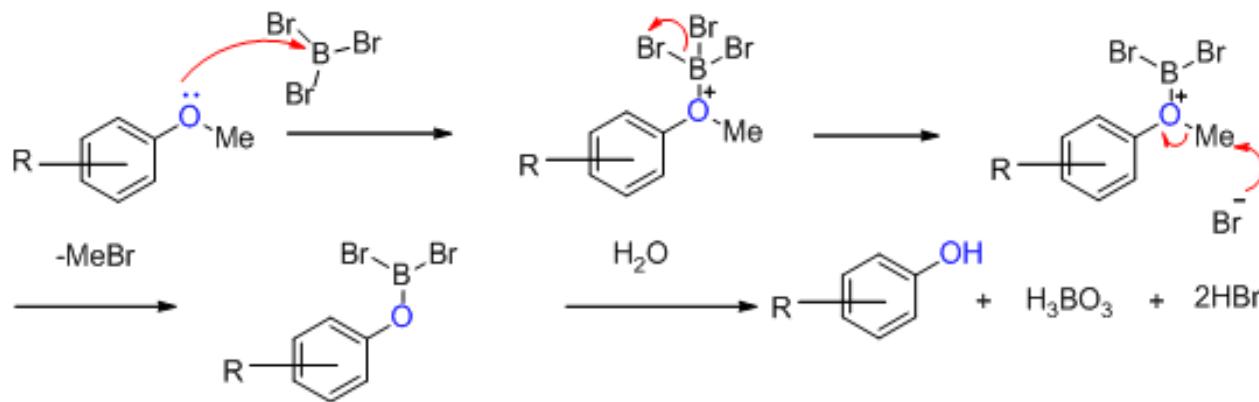
Modified one-pot Julia olefination to give predominantly (*E*)-olefins from heteroarylsulfones and aldehydes. A sulfone reduction step is *not* required.



## 酸性条件下脱甲基

常见的酸性脱甲基试剂有三溴化硼、三氯化铝、氢溴酸、硫酸等。以三溴化硼为例：

### 反应机理

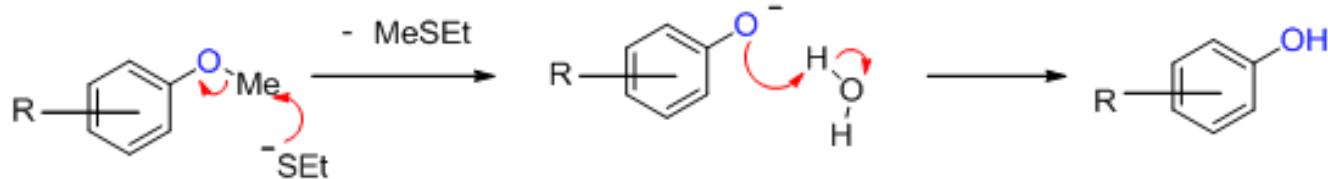


主要利用B的亲电性和Br的亲核性,常用的溶剂为二氯甲烷。

## 碱性条件下脱甲基

若芳基甲醚除甲氧基外其他结构对碱不敏感，对酸敏感。可以采用碱性脱甲基试剂进行脱除甲基，常见的碱性脱甲基试剂有乙硫醇钠、氨基钠等。以乙硫醇钠为例：

### 反应机理

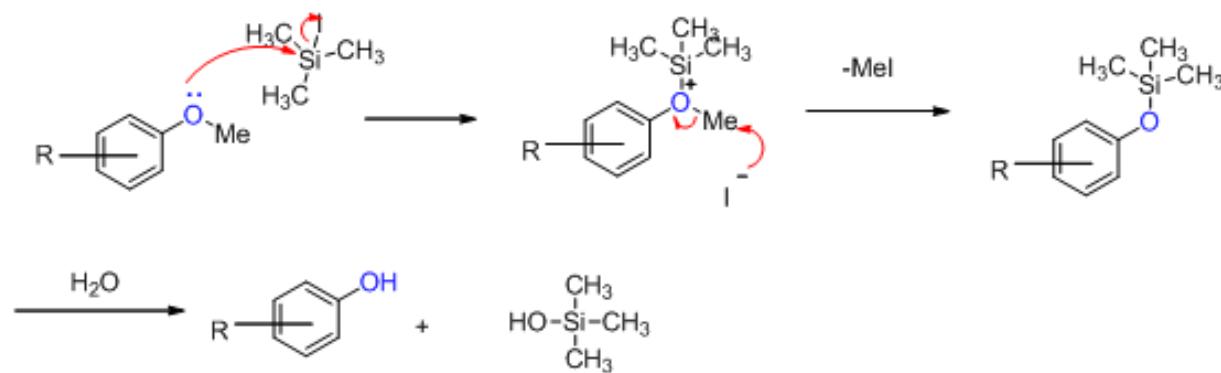


主要利用S的亲核性大于O，常用的溶剂为DMF。

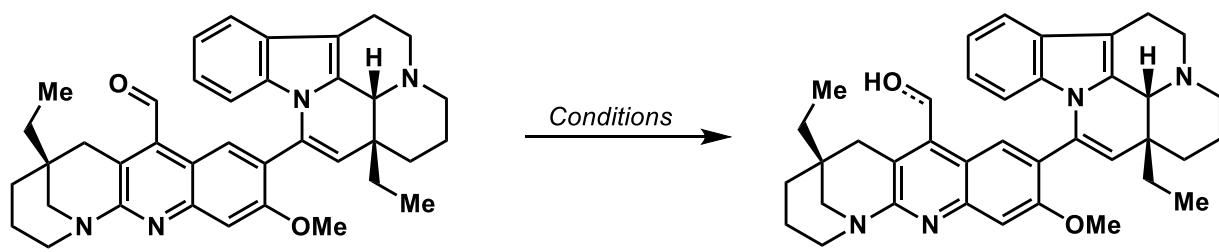
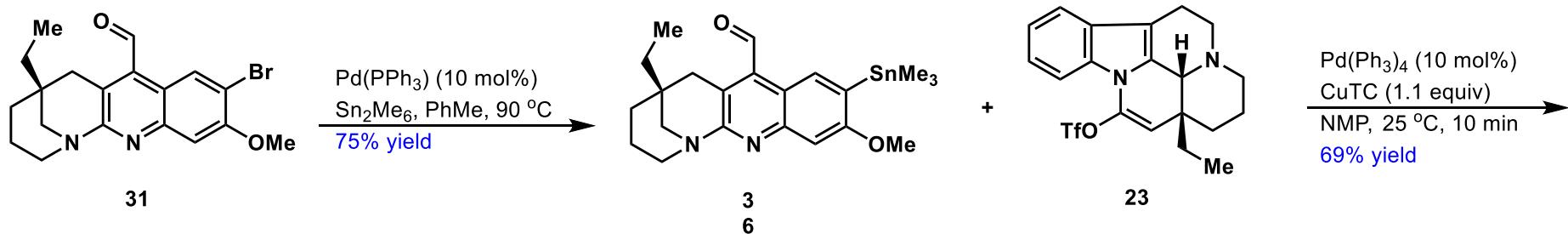
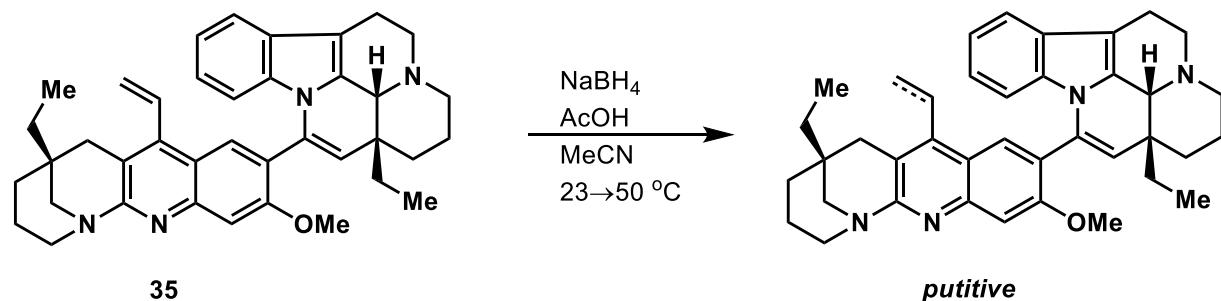
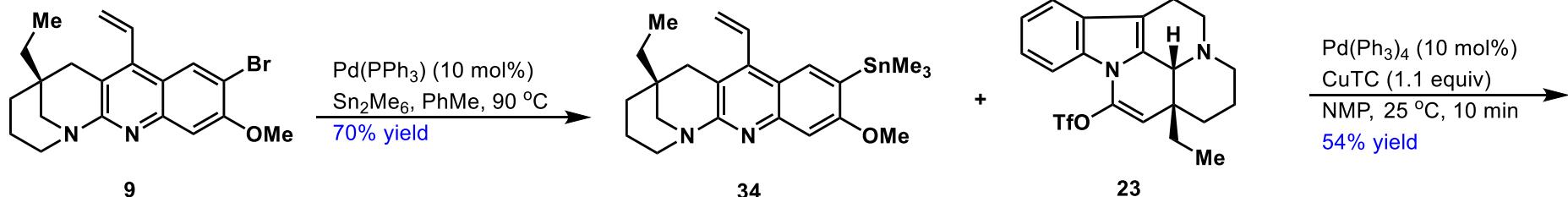
## 其他条件脱甲基

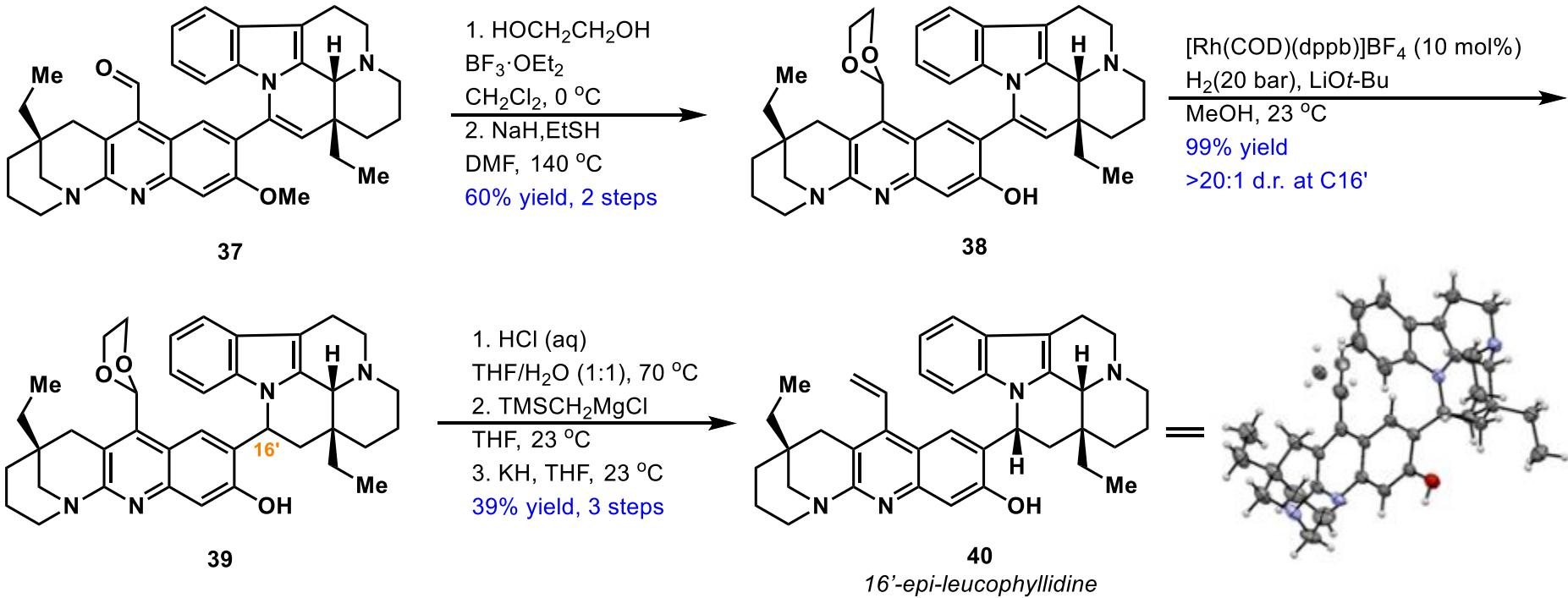
以三甲基碘硅烷为例，通过芳基甲醚与三甲基碘硅烷生成芳基硅醚，在经过水解得到脱甲基产物。

### 反应机理



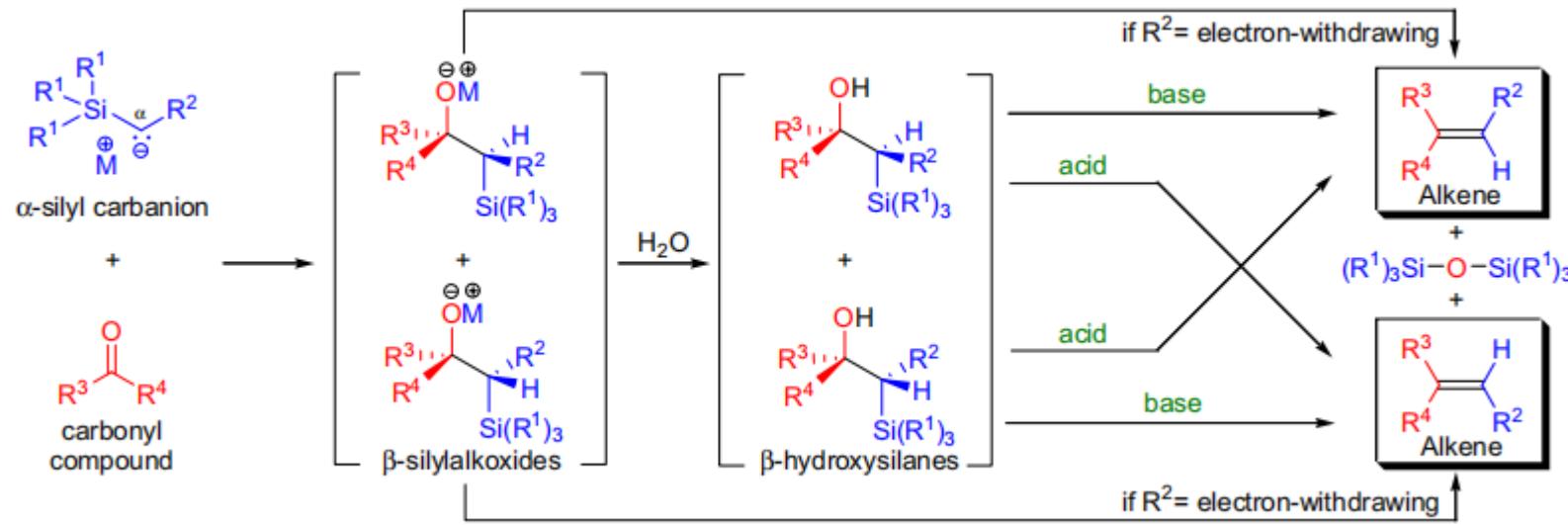
利用氧与硅的较强结合能力，以及碘的亲核性。



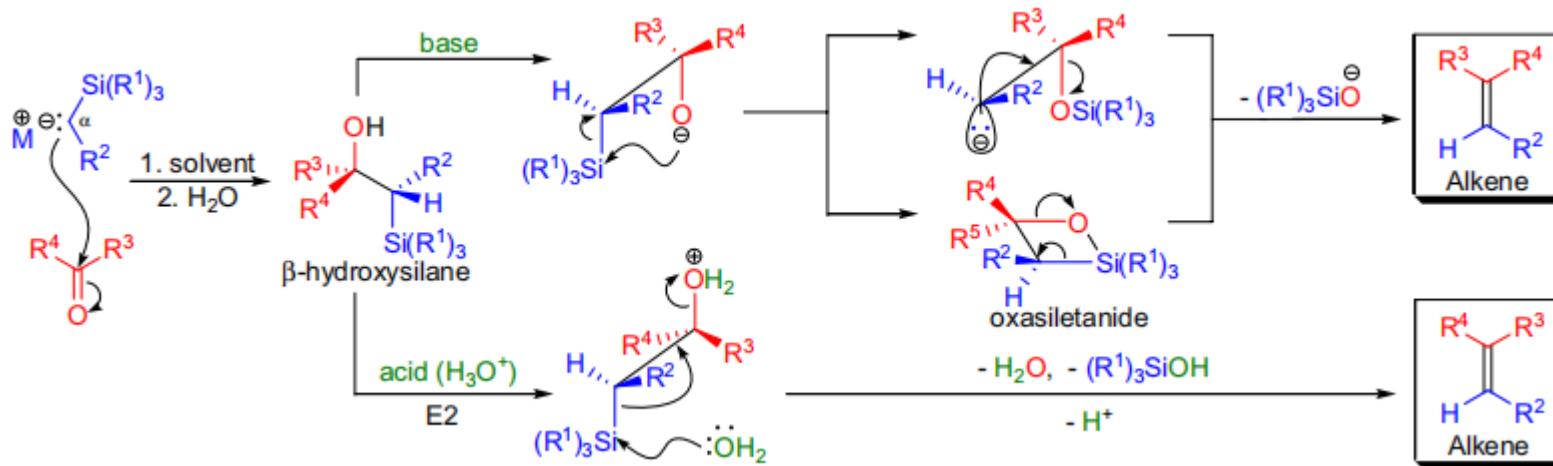


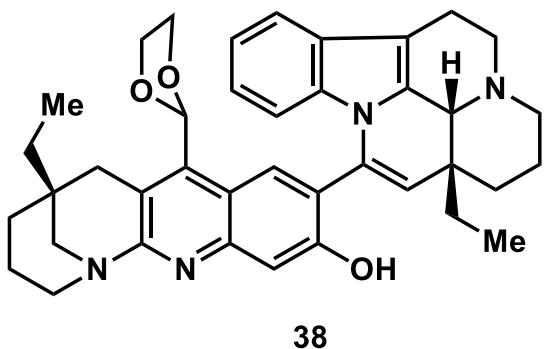
## PETERSON OLEFINATION

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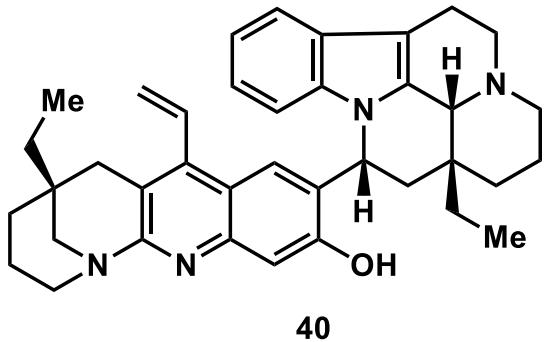
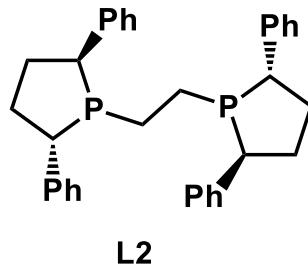
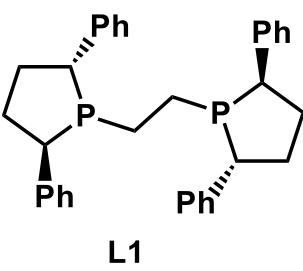
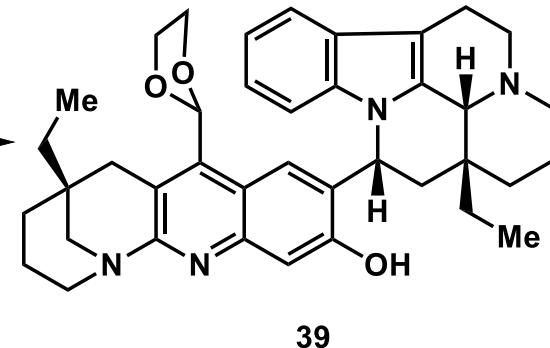


$R^1$ =alkyl, aryl;  $R^2$  = alkyl, aryl,  $CO_2R$ ,  $CN$ ,  $CONR_2$ ,  $CH=NR$ ,  $SR$ ,  $SOR$ ,  $SO_2R$ ,  $SeR$ ,  $SiR_3$ ,  $OR$ ,  $BO_2R_2$ ;  $R^3, R^4$ =alkyl, aryl, H





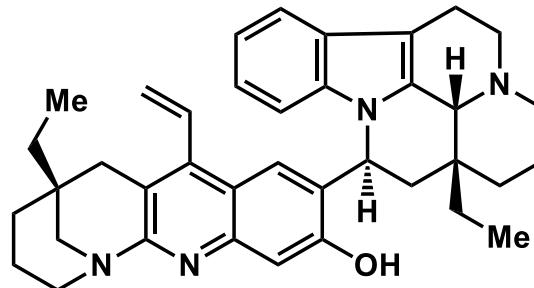
$[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{L1}]\text{BF}_4$  or  $[\text{Rh}(\text{cod})\text{L2}]\text{BF}_4$   
 $\text{H}_2(20 \text{ bar}), \text{LiOt-Bu}$   
 $\text{MeOH}, 23^\circ\text{C}$



16'-epi-leucophyllidine

Conditions

acidic,  
basic,  
oxidative,  
photochemical



leucophyllidine (1)