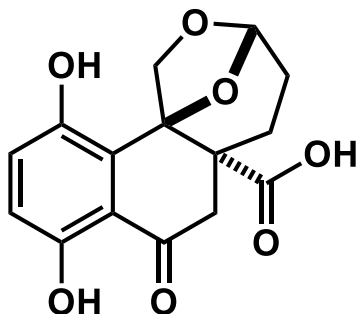


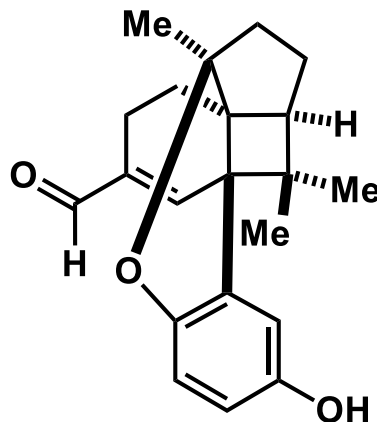
# Total Synthesis of (+)-Cochlearol B by an Approach Based on a Catellani Reaction and Visible-Light-Enabled [2+2] Cycloaddition

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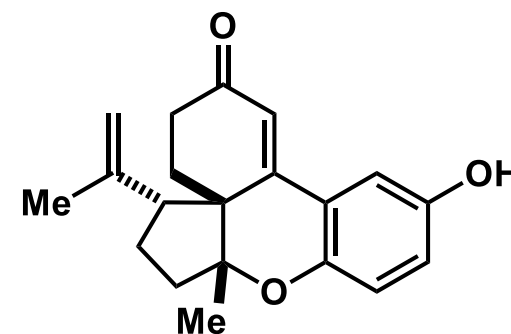
## A. Selected Meroterpenoids Isolated from *Ganoderma cochlear*



cochlearol A (1)  
from *Ganoderma cochlear*  
*renoprotective effects*



cochlearol B (2)  
from *Ganoderma cochlear*  
*renoprotective effects*  
*(-)-cochlearol B (2) only*

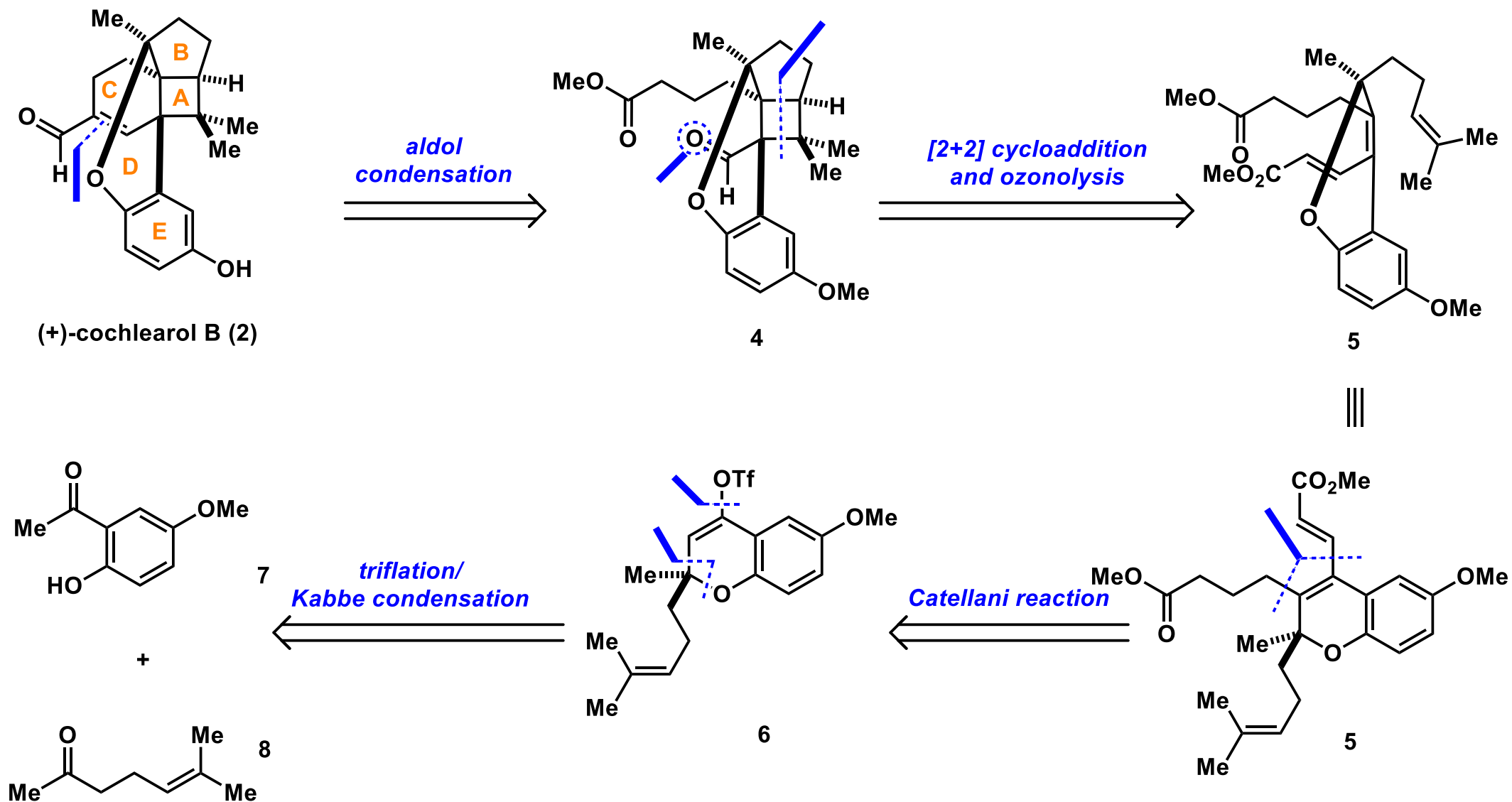


ganocin B (3)  
from *Ganoderma cochlear*  
*structurally related to*  
*AChE inhibitors*

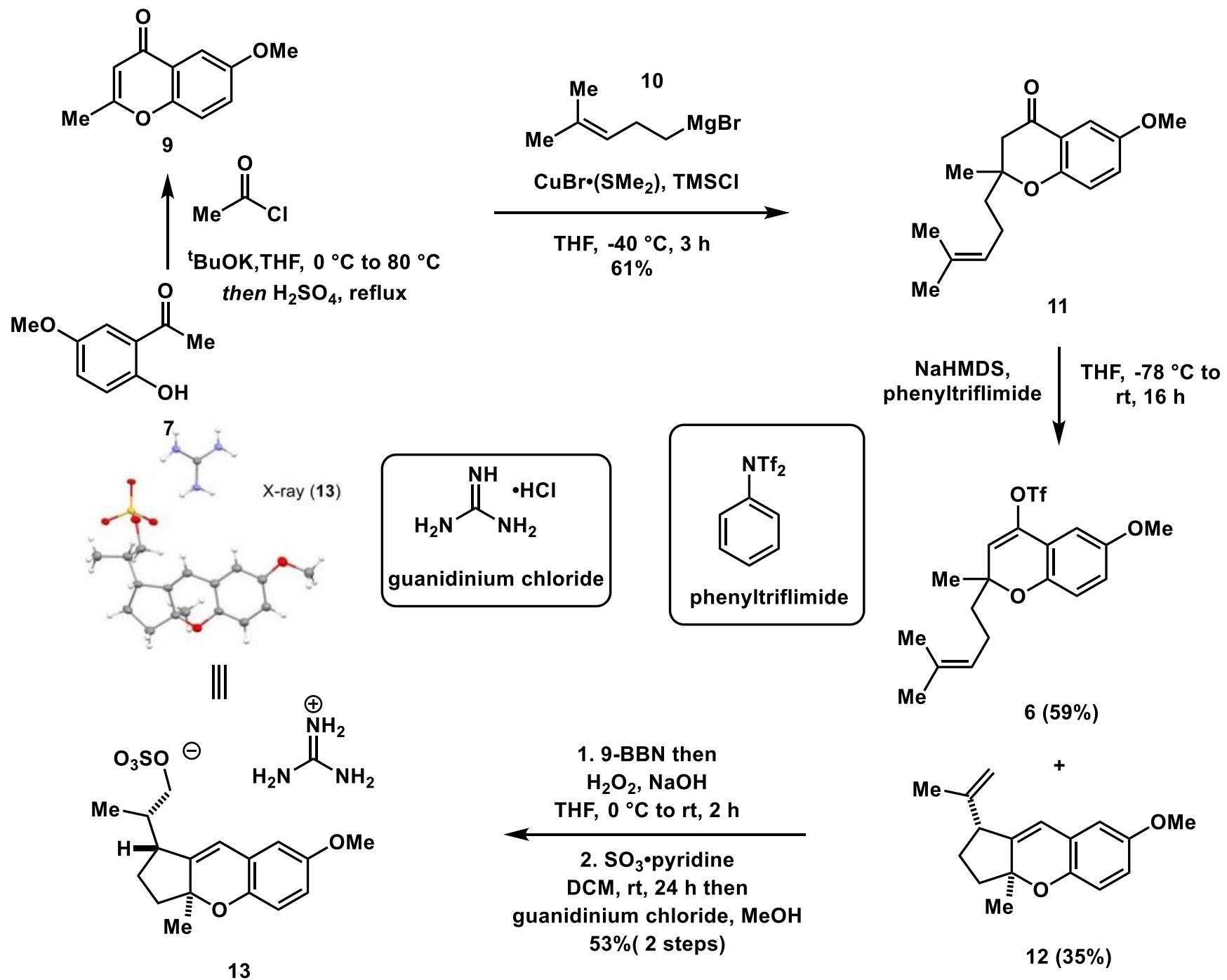
*Ganoderma* meroterpenoids including cochlearol B (2).

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## B. Retrosynthetic Strategy Towards Cochlearol B (2)

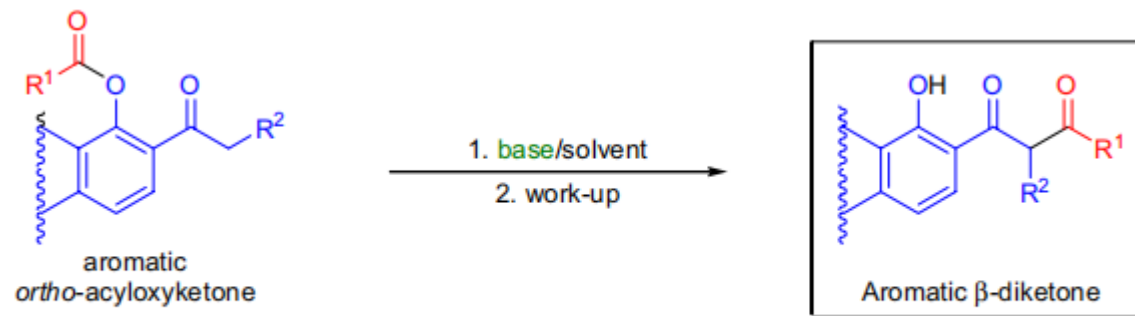


Retrosynthetic strategy towards cochlearol B (2) relying on Catellani and [2+2] cycloaddition reactions. Proceeds through an EDBAC ring formation sequence.



## BAKER-VENKATARAMAN REARRANGEMENT

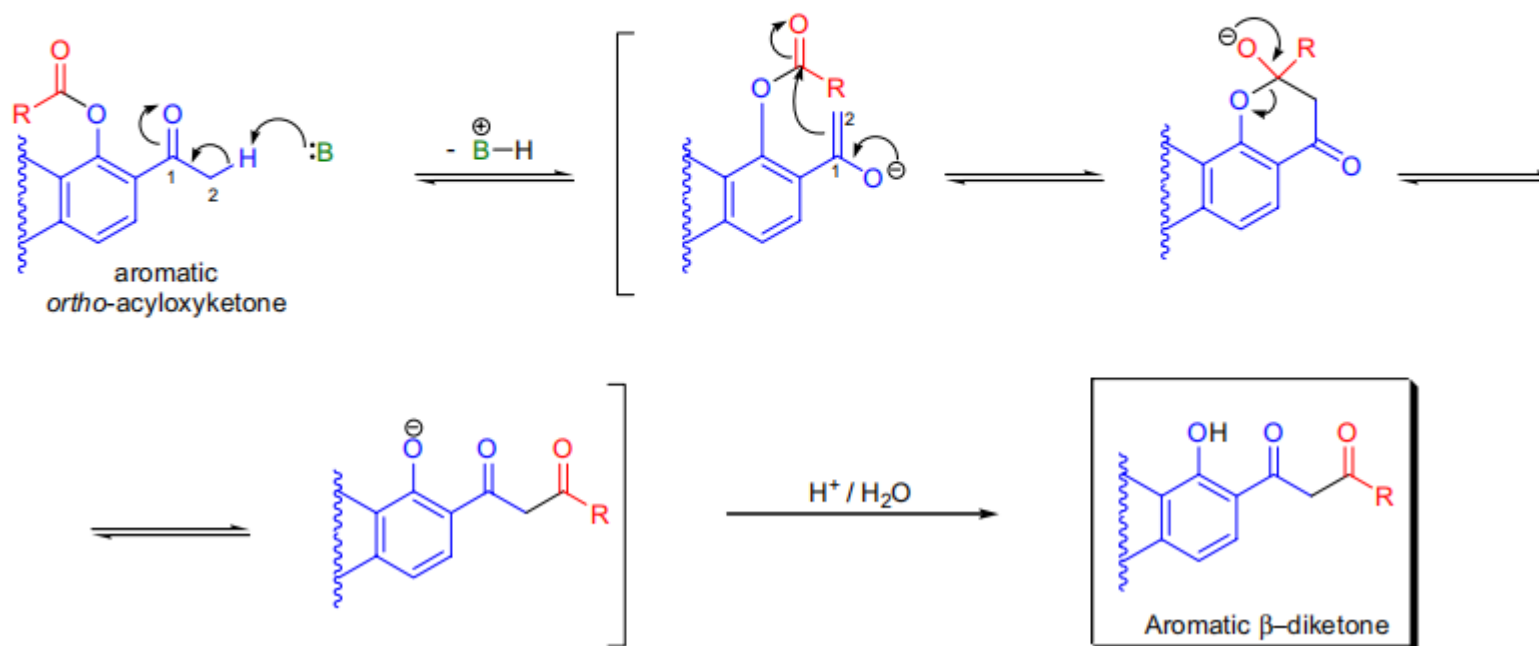
(References are on page 542)



$R^1$  = alkyl, aryl,  $NH_2$ ;  $R^2$  = alkyl, aryl; **base**: KOH, KO $t$ -Bu, NaH, Na metal, KH,  $C_5H_5N$

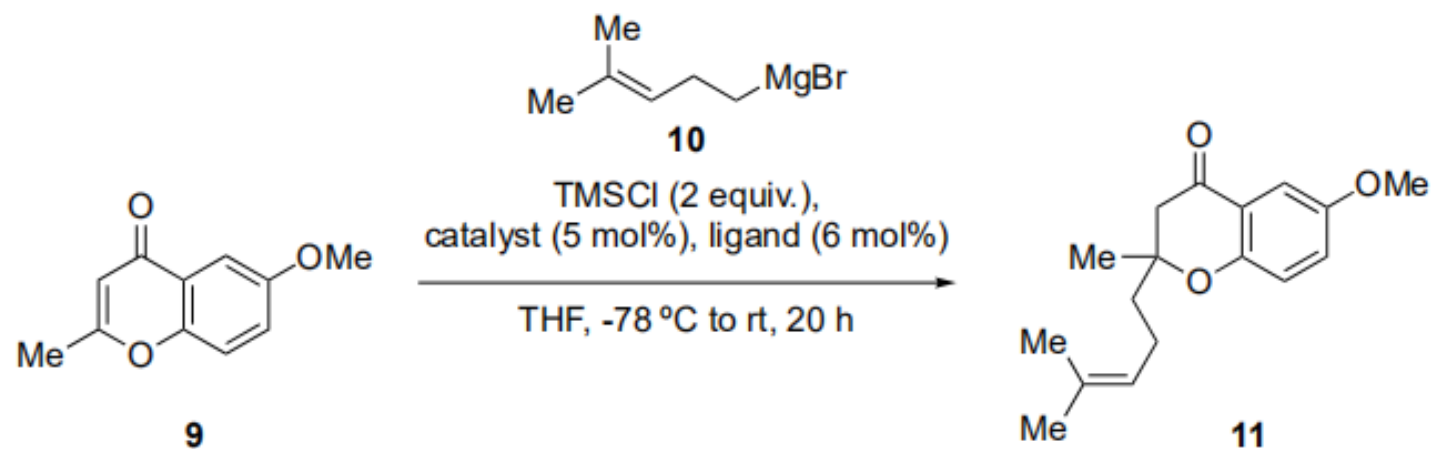
### Mechanism: <sup>18-22</sup>

In the first step of the mechanism, the aromatic ketone is deprotonated at the  $\alpha$ -carbon and an enolate is formed. This nucleophile attacks the carbonyl group of the acyloxy moiety intramolecularly to form a tetrahedral intermediate that subsequently breaks down to form the aromatic  $\beta$ -diketone.

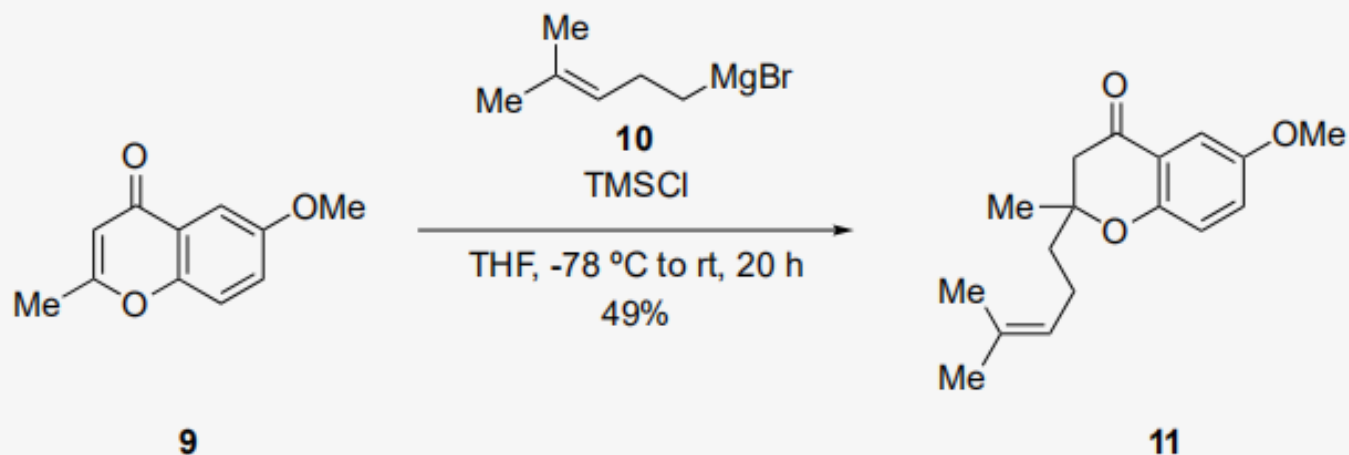


**Table S1.** (A) Evaluation of asymmetric conjugate addition conditions. (B) Control reaction without copper.

**A.** Conditions evaluated for an asymmetric copper-catalyzed conjugate addition



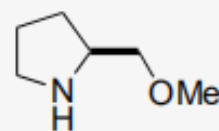
**B.** Background reactivity likely responsible for racemic product observed



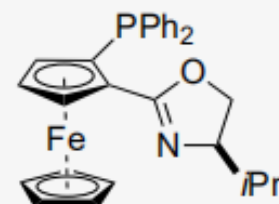
Entry	Catalyst	Ligand	ee (%)
1	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L1	0
2	CuI	L1	0
3	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L2	0
4	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L3	0
5	CuI	L4	0
6	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L5	0
7 <sup>a</sup>	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L1	0
8 <sup>a</sup>	CuI	L1	0
9 <sup>a</sup>	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L2	0
10 <sup>a</sup>	CuI	L2	0
11 <sup>a</sup>	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L3	0
12 <sup>a</sup>	CuI	L3	0
13 <sup>a</sup>	CuBr·(SMe <sub>2</sub> )	L4	0
14 <sup>a</sup>	CuI	L4	0

<sup>a</sup> Reaction performed without TMSCl

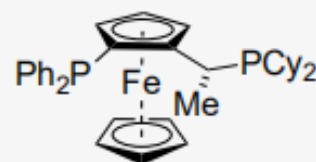
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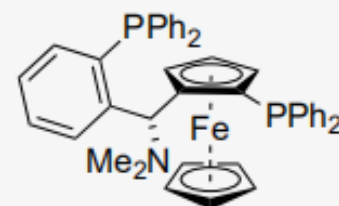
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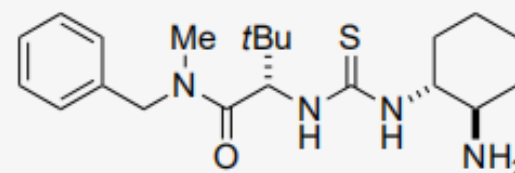
**L2**



**L3**

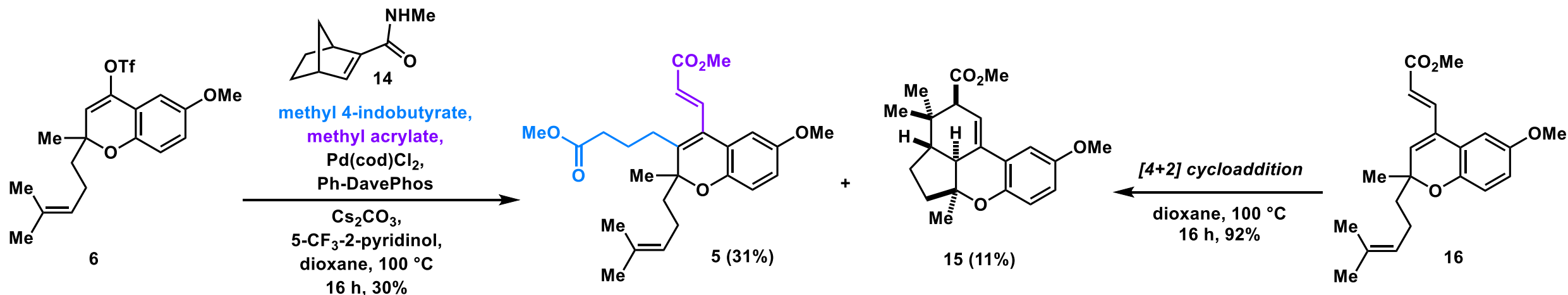


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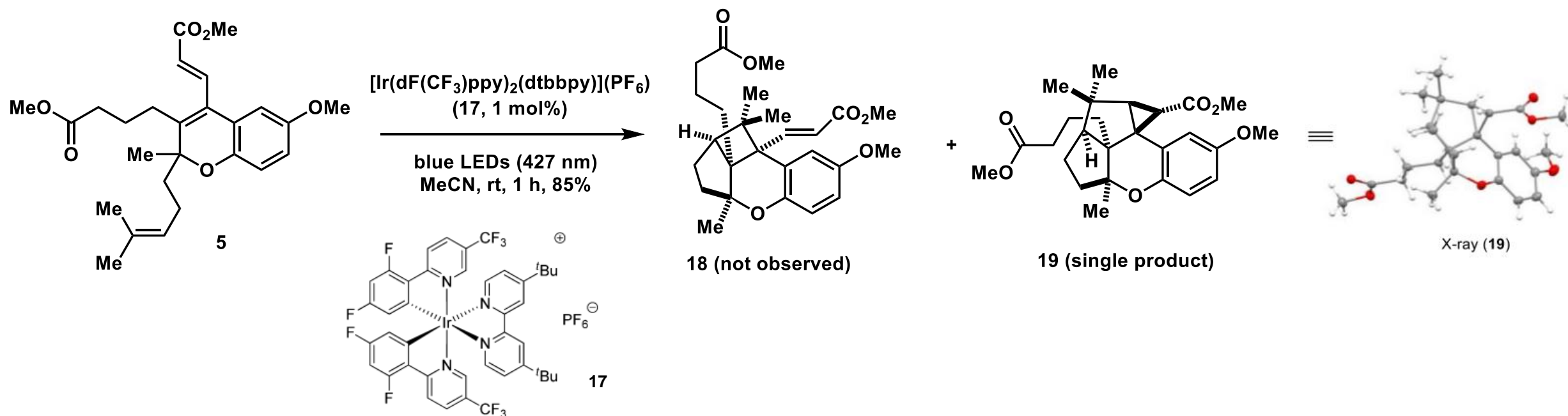


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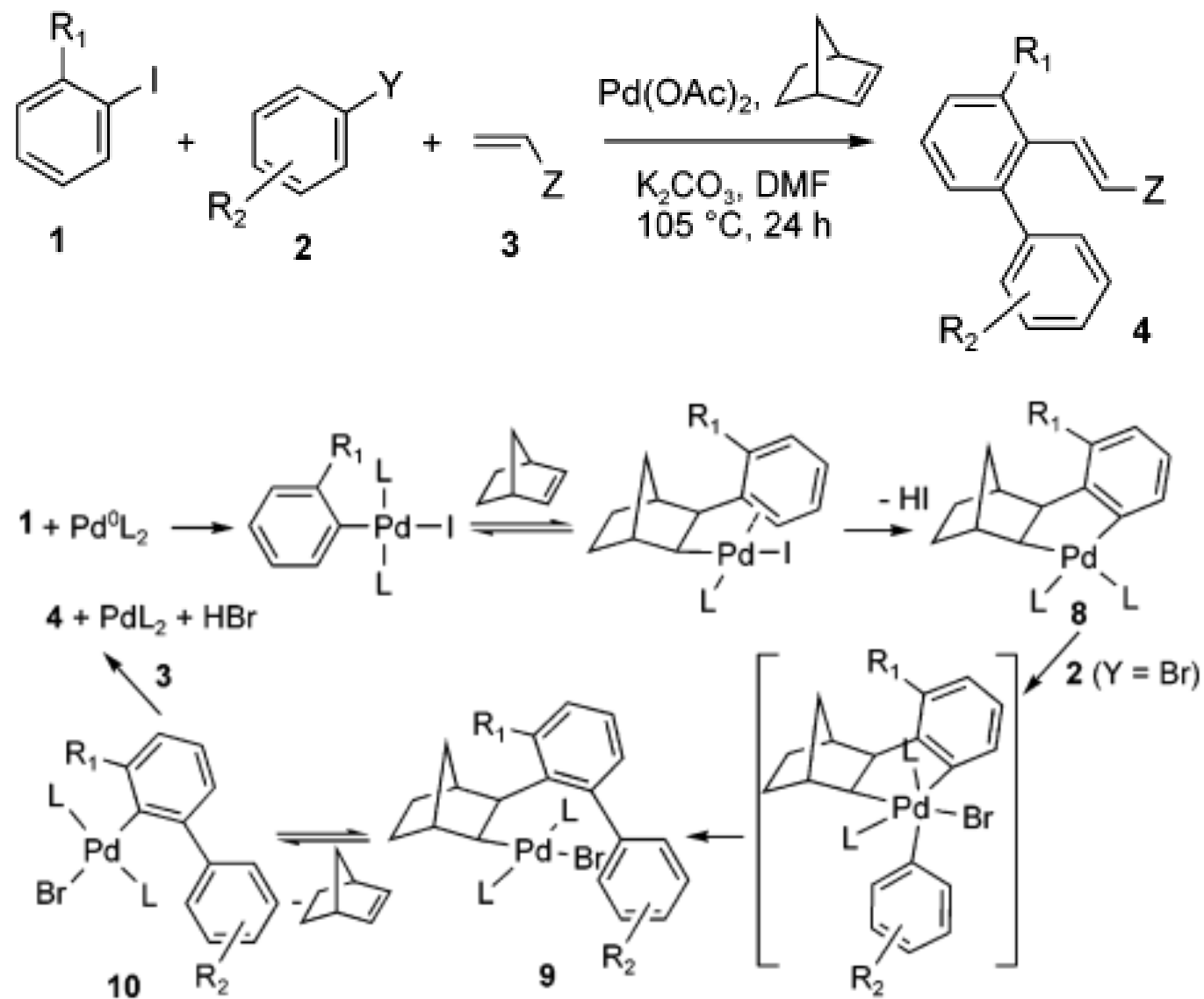
# A. First Generation Catellani Approach: Challenges due to Competing [4+2] Cycloaddition



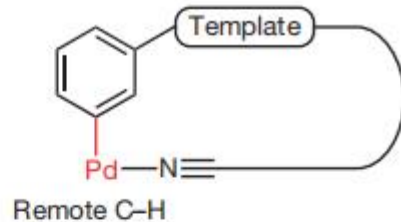
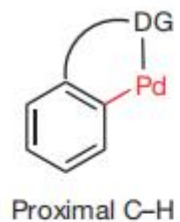
# B. [2+2] Cycloaddition: Challenges due to Competing Cyclopropanation



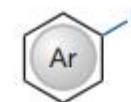
## Catellani Reaction



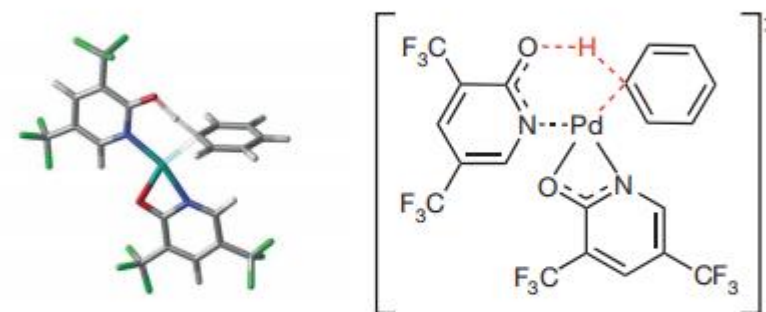
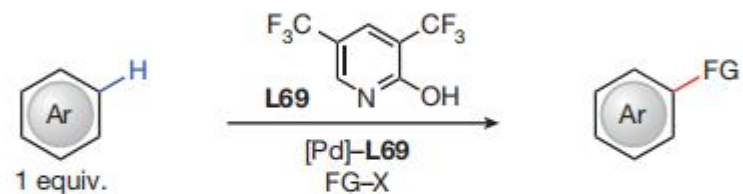
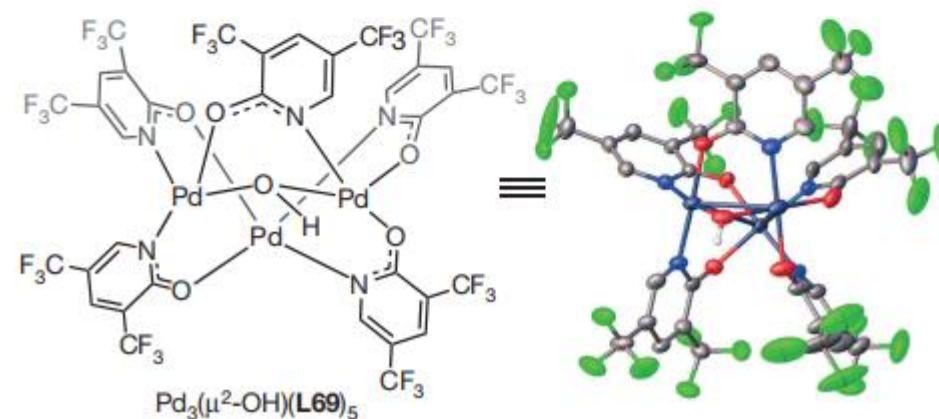
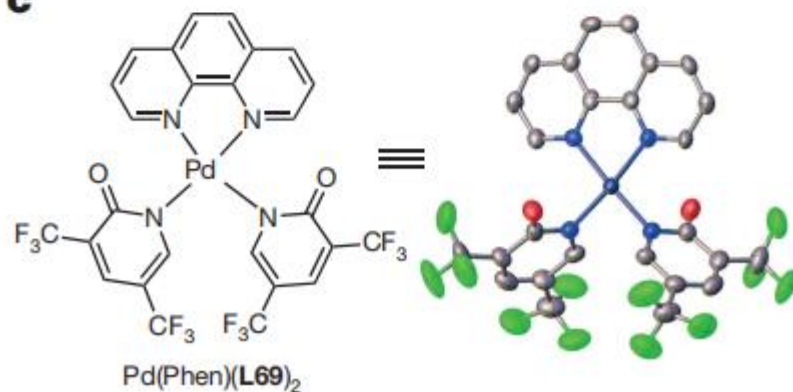


**a** Directed C–H functionalization

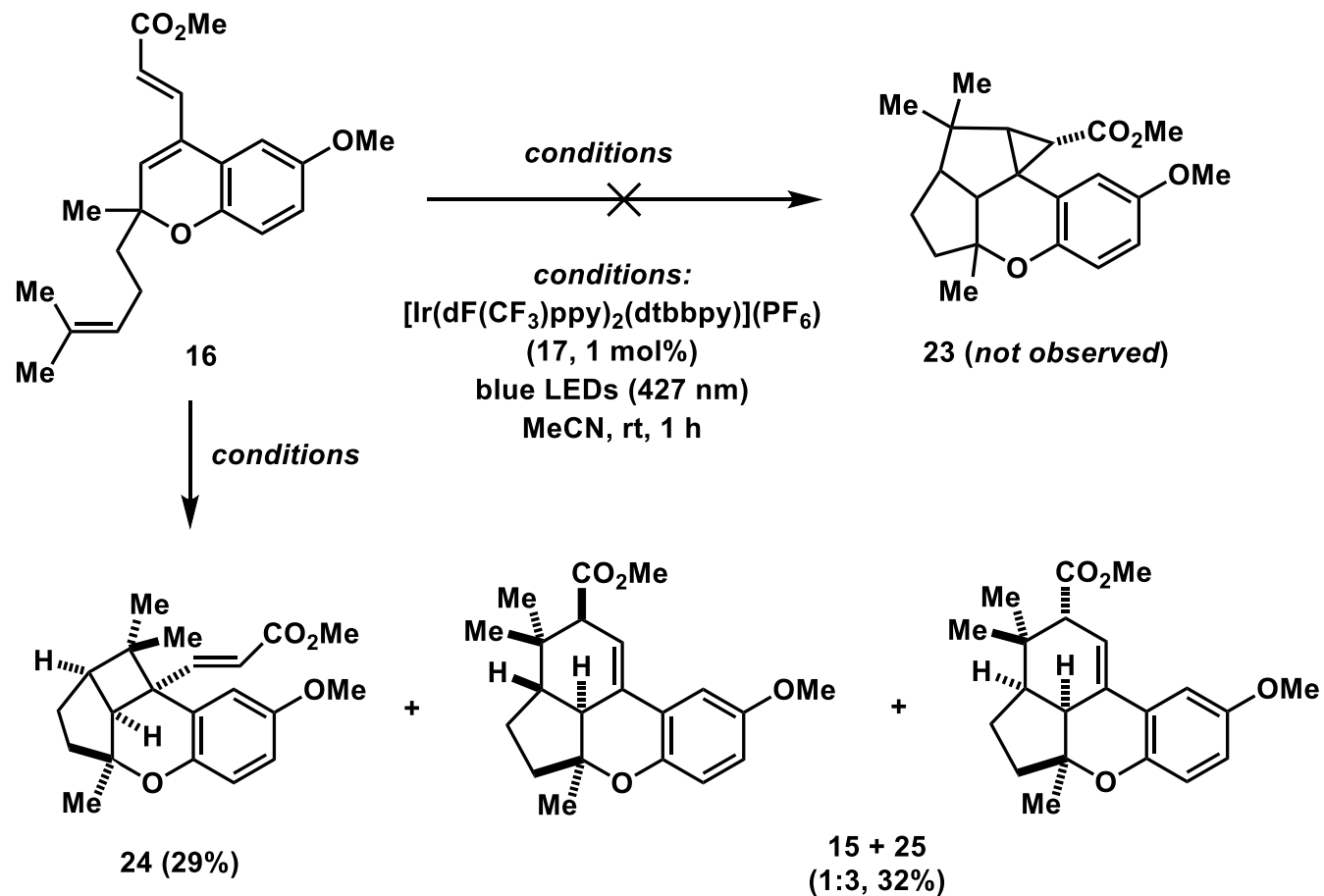
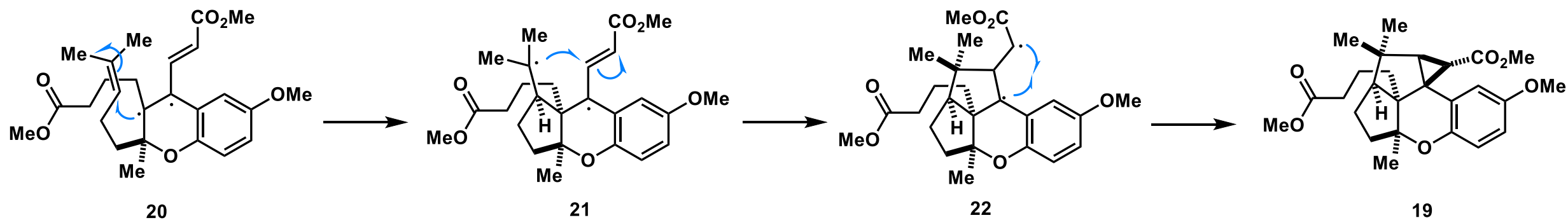
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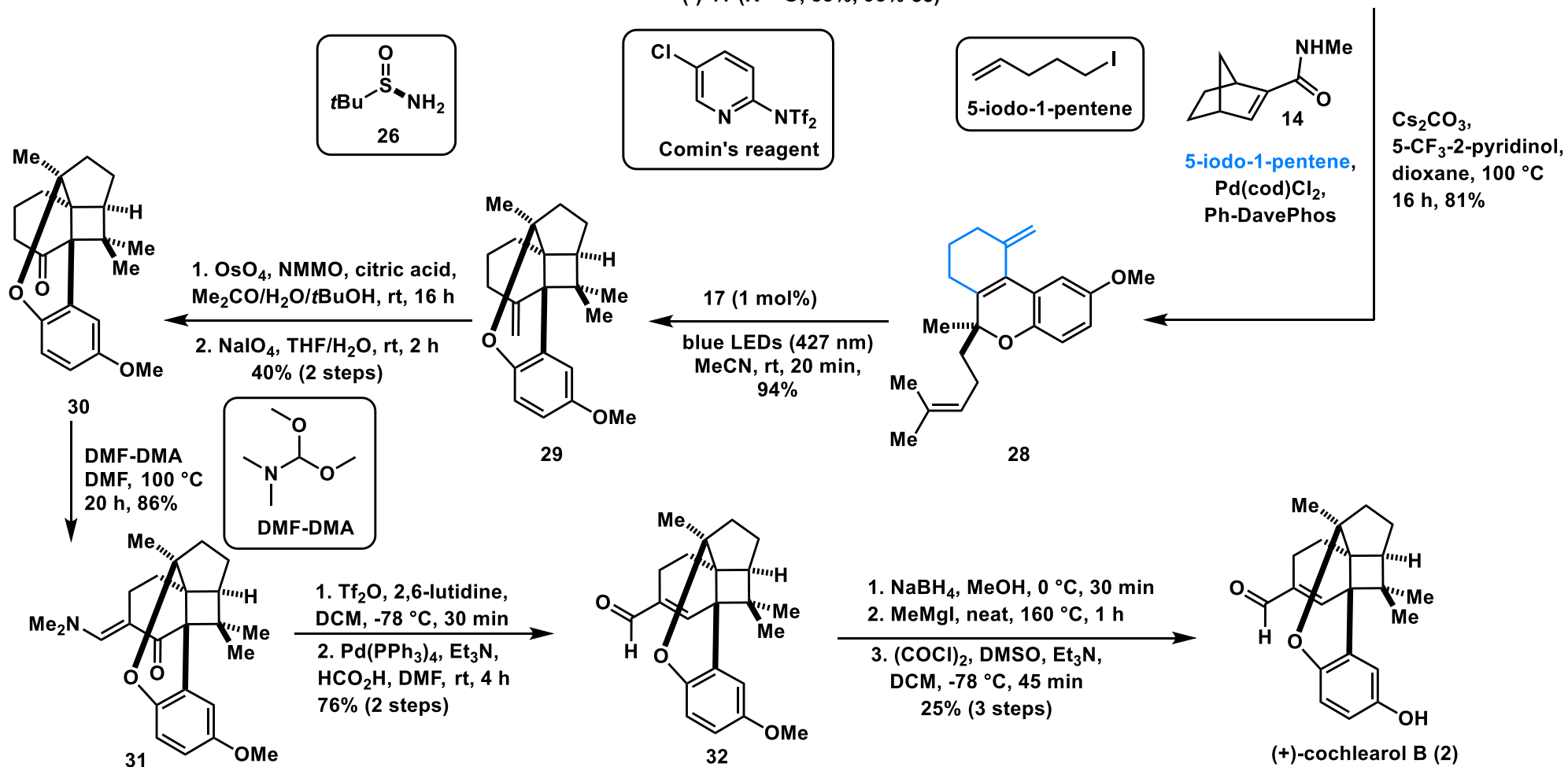


Simple arenes:  
• Excess substrate  
• Poor regioselectivity

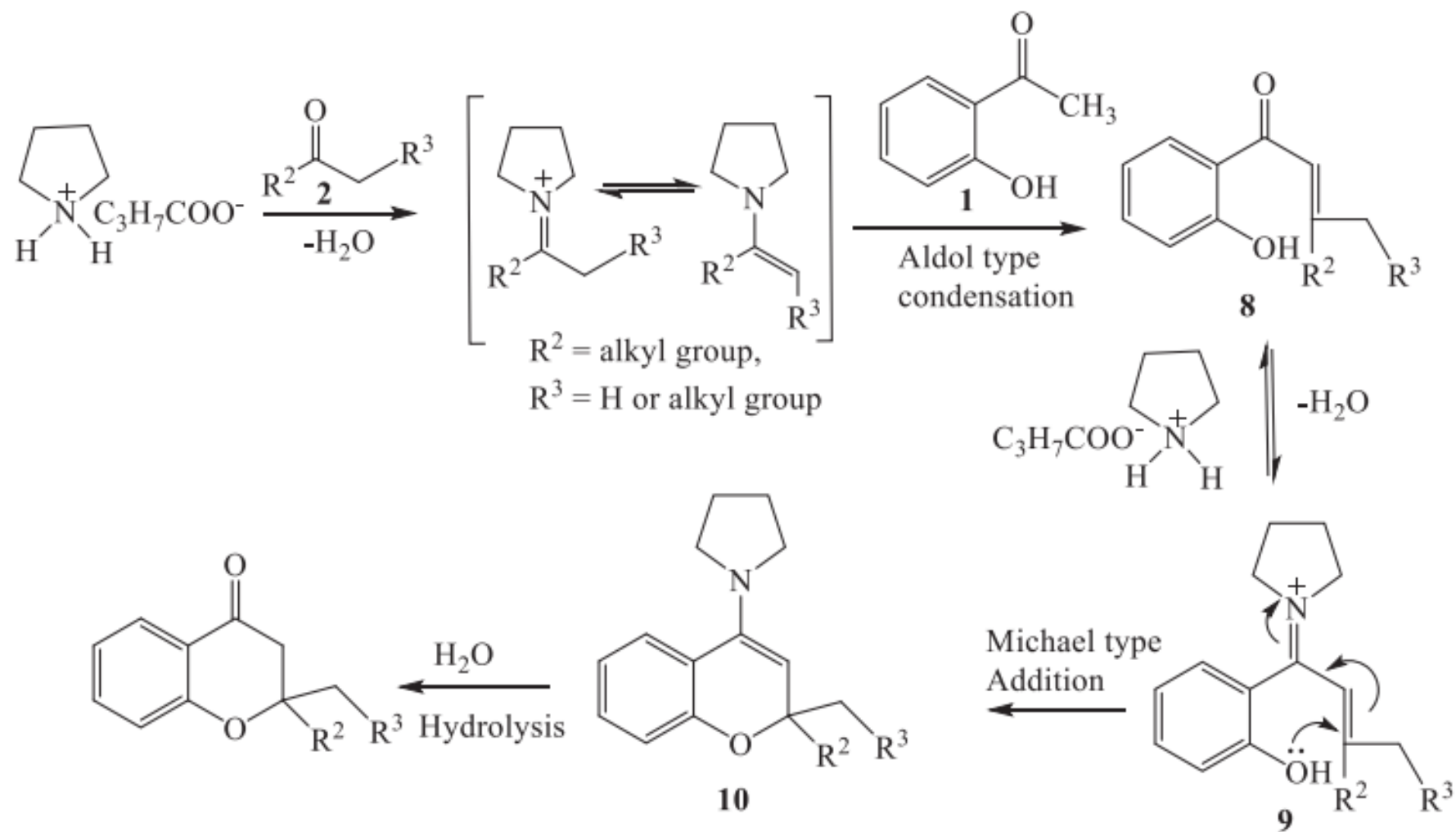
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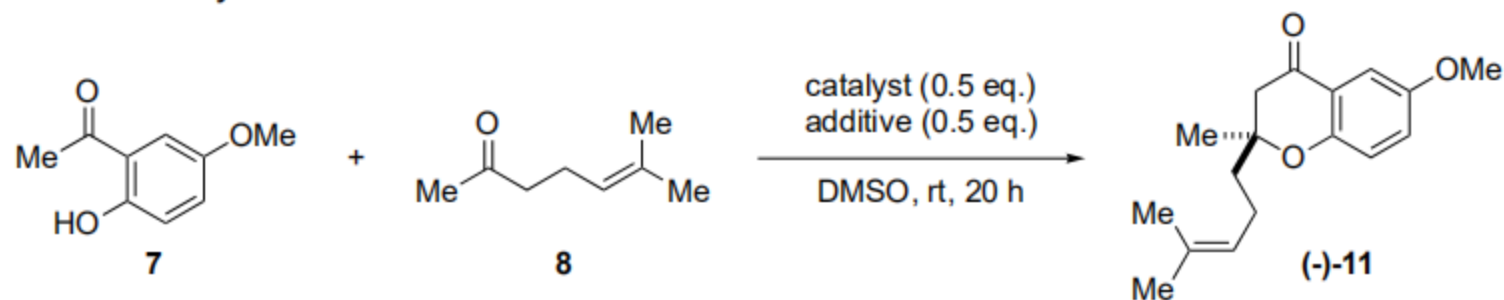
C. Mechanistic Hypothesis for the Formation of 19:





## Kabbe Condensation



**Table S2.** Evaluation of asymmetric Kabbe condensation conditions.

Entry	Catalyst	Additive	Yield (%)	ee (%)
1	(R)-2-methylpyrrolidine ( <b>C1</b> )	butyric acid	5	23
2	(S)-2-diphenylmethylpyrrolidine ( <b>C2</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
3	(S)-2-(methoxymethyl)pyrrolidine ( <b>C3</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
4	(R)-5-(hydroxymethyl)-2-pyrrolidine ( <b>C4</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
5	(S)-5-(2-pyrrolidinyl)-1H-tetrazole ( <b>C5</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
6	(S)-1-boc-2-pyrrolidinecarbonitrile ( <b>C6</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
7	L-prolinamide ( <b>C7</b> )	butyric acid	7	7
8	(3S,8aS)-3-methyloctahydropyrrolo[1,2-a]pyrazine ( <b>C8</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
9	(2S,5R)-2,5-dimethylpyrrolidine ( <b>C9</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
10	(S)-5-benzyl-2,2,3-trimethylimidazolidin-4-one monohydrochloride ( <b>C10</b> )	-	NR	-
11	(S)-5-benzyl-2,2,3-trimethylimidazolidin-4-one dichloroacetic acid ( <b>C11</b> )	-	NR	-
12	(S)-2-(tertbutyl)-3-methylimidazolidin-4-one trifluoroacetic acid ( <b>C12</b> )	-	NR	-

13	(2S,5S)-5-benzyl-2-(tertbutyl)-3-methylimidazolidin-4-one ( <b>C13</b> )	butyric acid	NR	-
14 <sup>a</sup>	(R)-2-methylpyrrolidine ( <b>C1</b> )	butyric acid	19	0
15 <sup>b</sup>	(S)-2-(methoxymethyl)pyrrolidine ( <b>C3</b> )	butyric acid	26	12
16 <sup>b</sup>	(R)-2-methylpyrrolidine ( <b>C1</b> )	butyric acid	30	9
17 <sup>b</sup>	(S)-2-diphenylmethylpyrrolidine ( <b>C2</b> )	butyric acid	3	16

<sup>a</sup> Reaction performed at 50 °C. <sup>b</sup> 3 eq. of the catalyst and 1 eq. of the additive were used. NR = no reaction.

