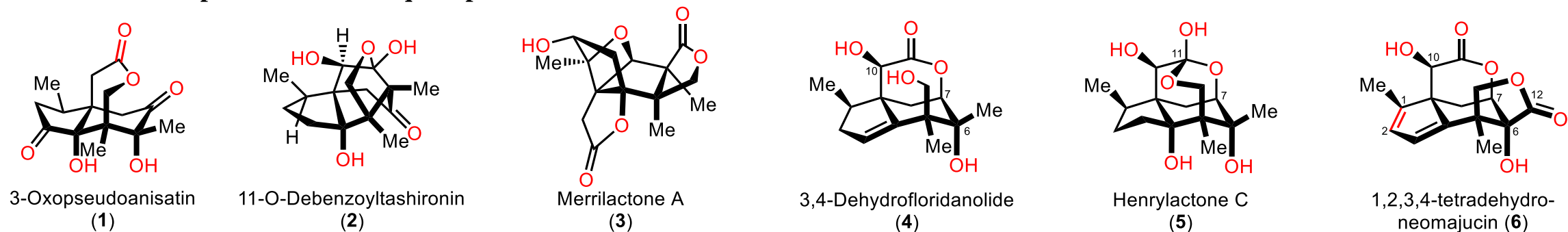


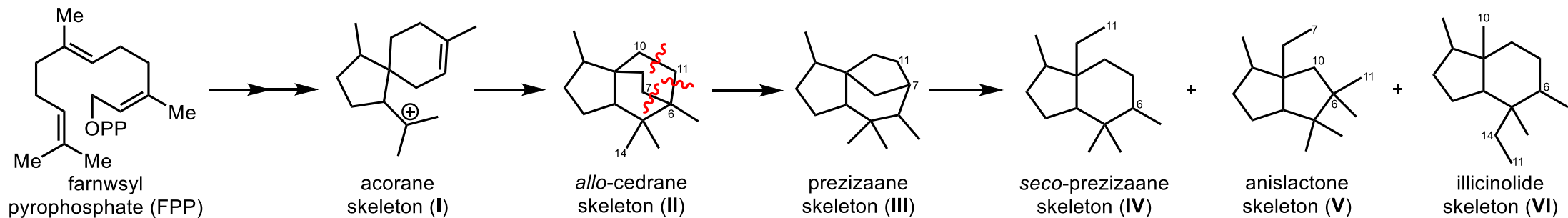
Divergent Total Syntheses of *Illicium* Sesquiterpenes through Late-Stage Skeletal Reorganization

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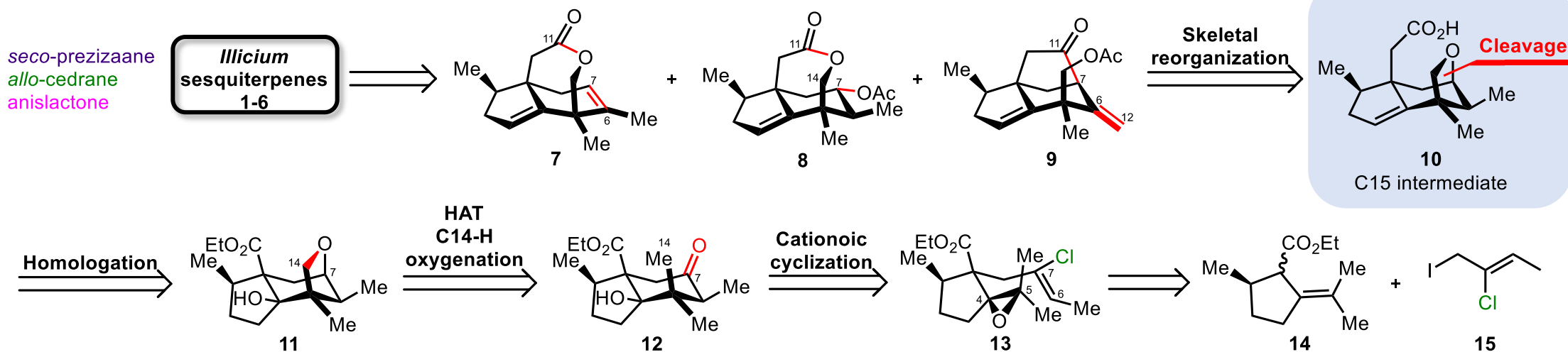
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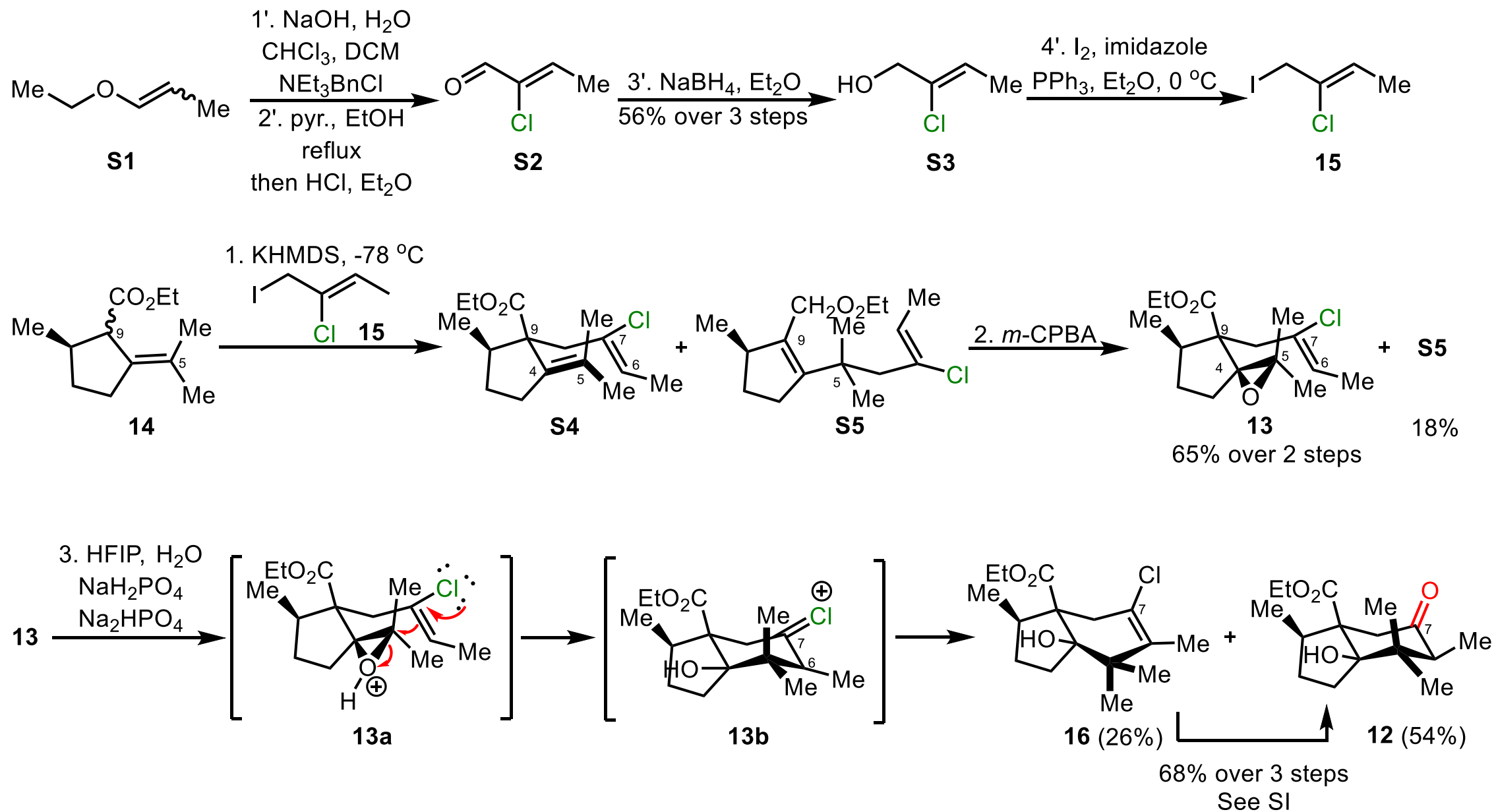
B. Proposed skeletal reorganization in biosynthesis of *Illicium* sesquiterpenes by Fukuyama and Huang



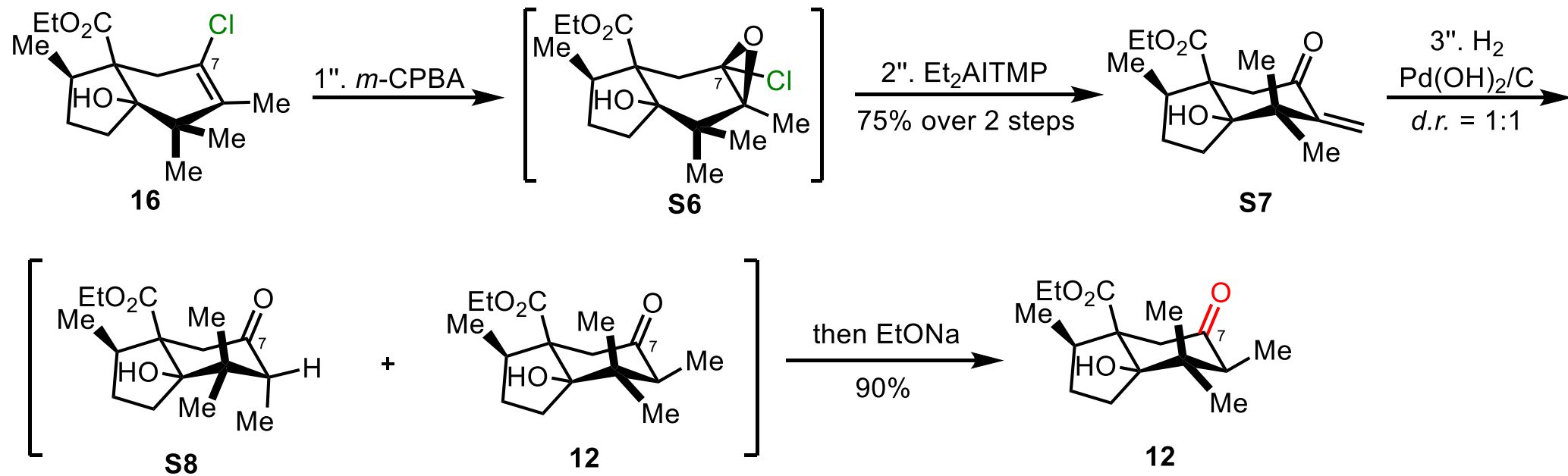
C. Divergent synthetic strategy based on late-stage skeletal reorganization (this work)

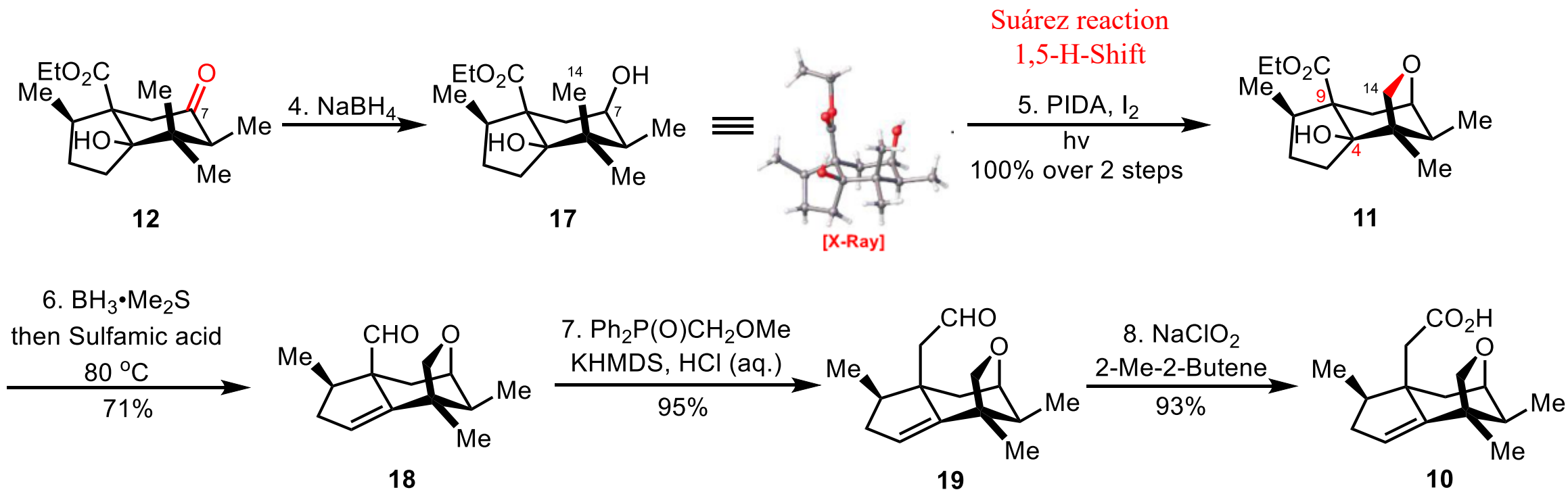


Scheme 1. Synthesis of C15 Intermediate 10

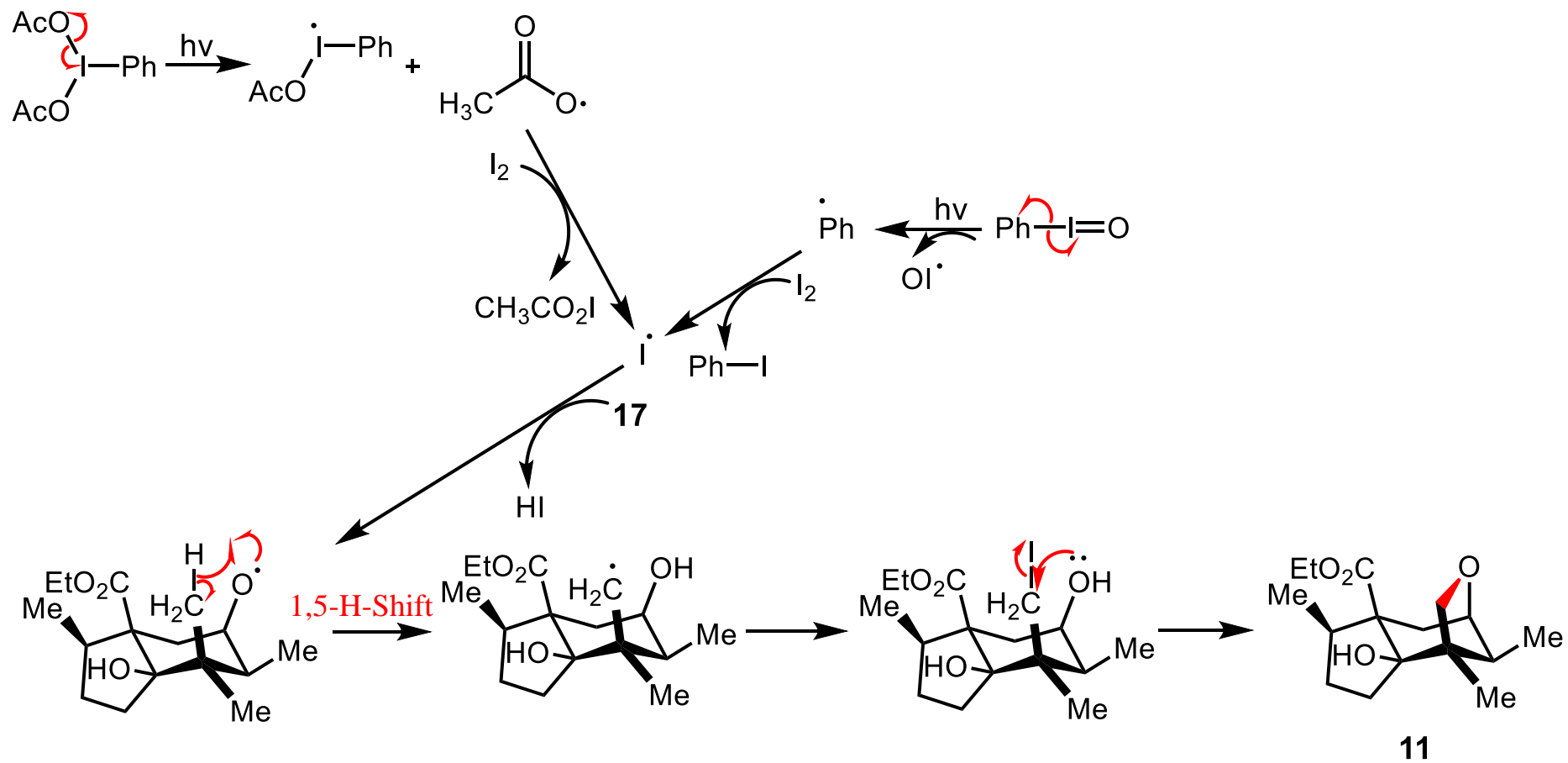


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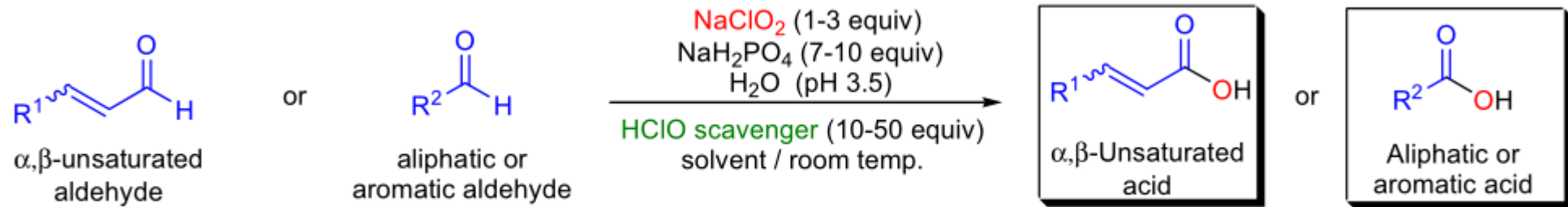


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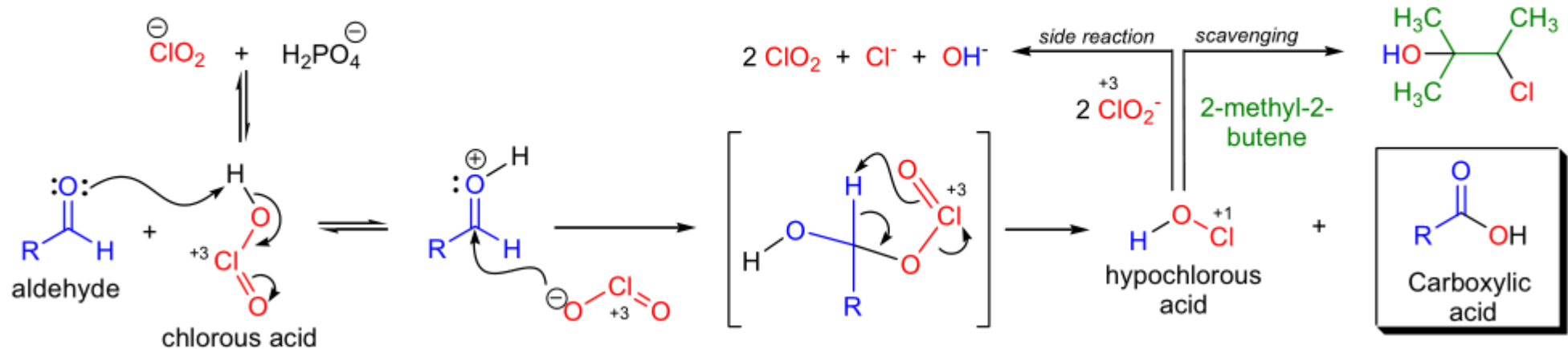
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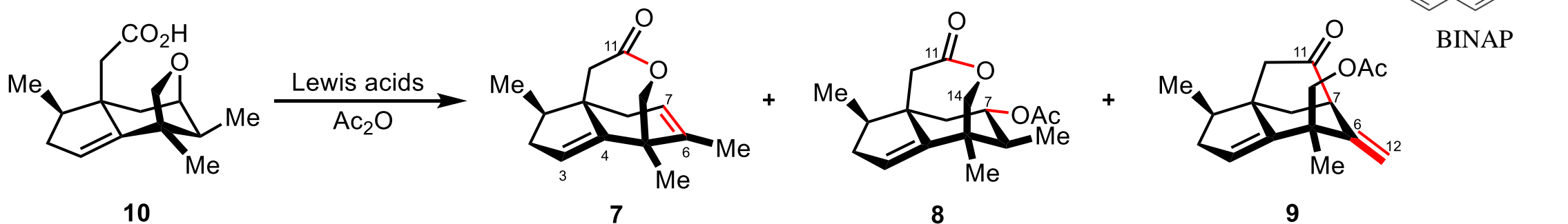
R^1 = H, alkyl, aryl, alkenyl, allyl; R^2 = alkyl, aryl, allyl, homoallyl; scavenger = 2-methyl-2-butene, H_2O_2 , $\text{H}_2\text{NSO}_3\text{H}$, $m\text{-C}_6\text{H}_4(\text{OH})_2$, DMSO; solvent = $t\text{-BuOH}$, $t\text{-BuOH/THF}$

Mechanism: ^{10,6}



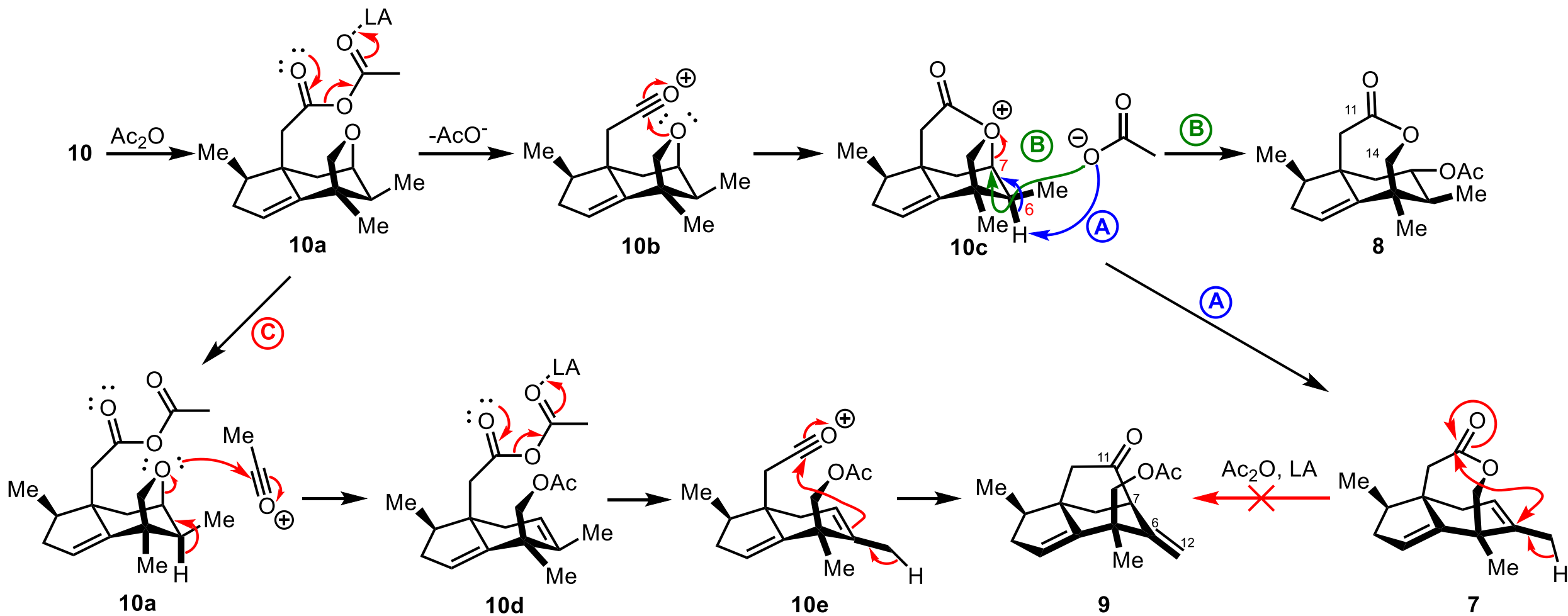
Scheme 2. Development of Divergent Skeletal Reorganization Strategy

A. Conditions Screening



entry	Lewis acid	additive & solvent & T	Time (h)	yields (%)		
				7	8	9
1	BCl_3	Ac_2O (8.0 equiv), CH_2Cl_2 , 0 °C	1.0	45	0	0
2	$\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$	Ac_2O (8.0 equiv), CH_2Cl_2 , 0 °C	1.0	90	7	0
3	TMSOTf	Ac_2O (8.0 equiv), CH_2Cl_2 , 0 °C	1.0	75	12	0
4	$\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$	Ac_2O (8.0 equiv), CH_2Cl_2 , 0 °C	0.5	74	21	1
5	$\text{Bi}(\text{OTf})_3$	$\text{Ac}_2\text{O}/\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ (1:1), 0 °C	0.5	72	25	0
6	$\text{Bi}(\text{OTf})_3$	$\text{Ac}_2\text{O}/\text{AcOH}$ (1:1), 0 °C	0.5	47	50	2
7	$\text{Bi}(\text{OTf})_3$	Ac_2O , 0 °C	0.5	80	10	2
8	TMSOTf	Ac_2O , -78 °C to 23 °C	8.0	19	6	30
9	TMSOTf	Ac_2O , (\pm)-BINAP, -78 °C to 23 °C	8.0	3	4	61

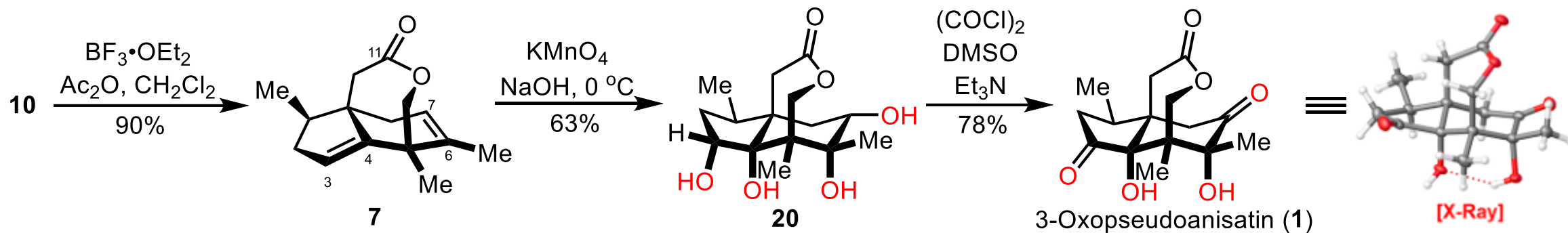
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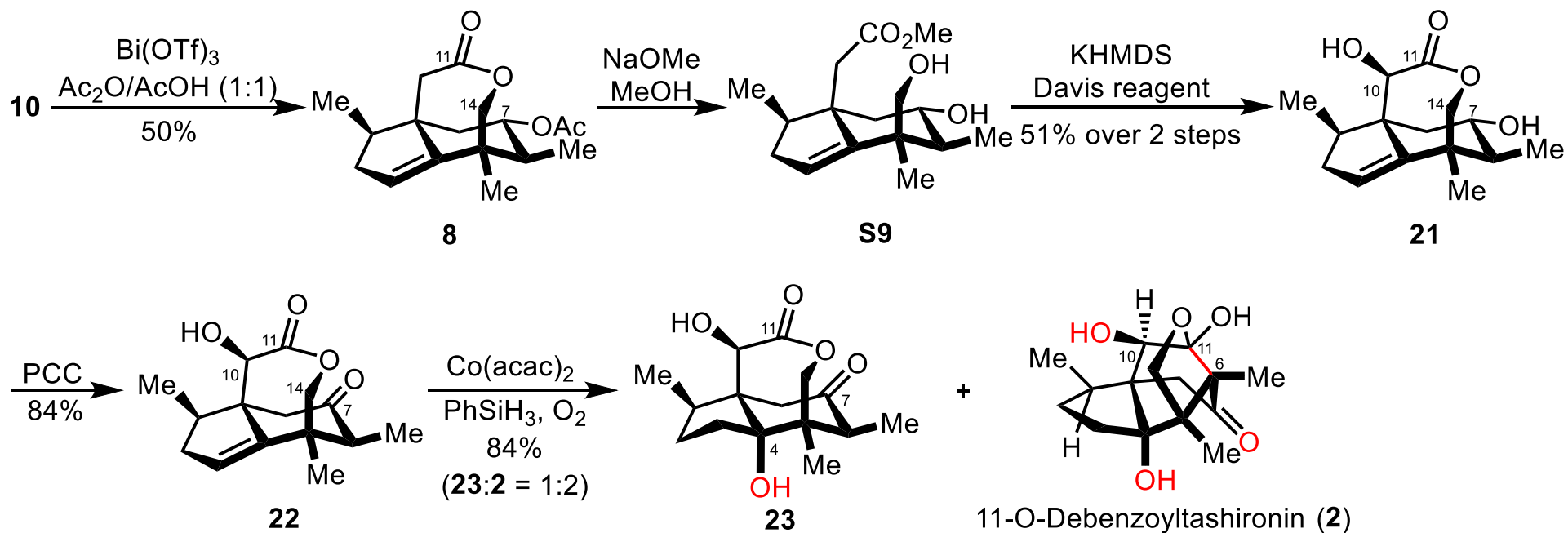
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Scheme 3. Divergent Total Synthesis of 13 Illicium Sesquiterpenes

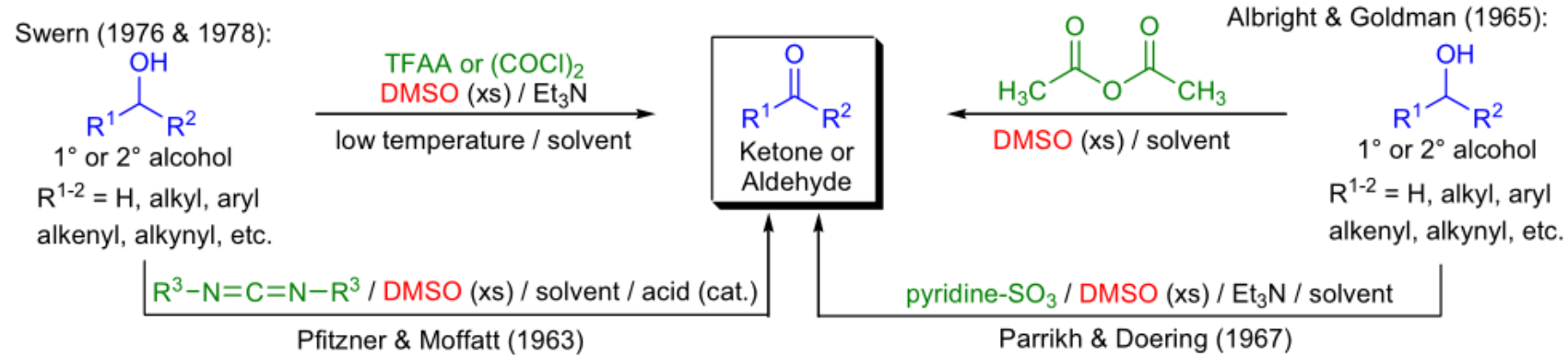
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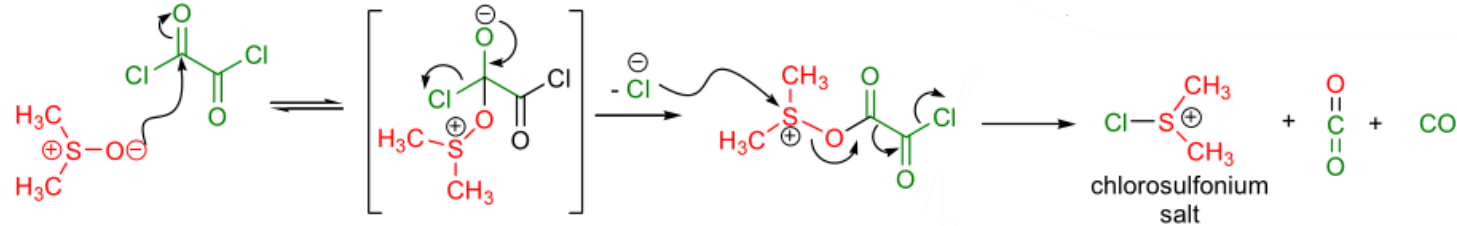
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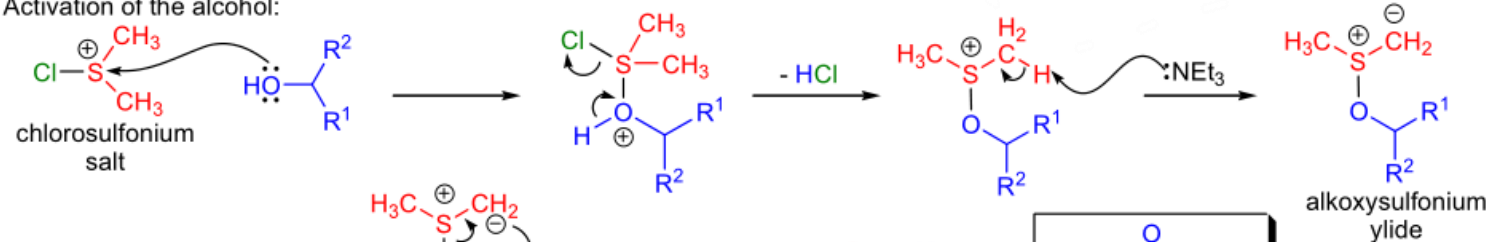
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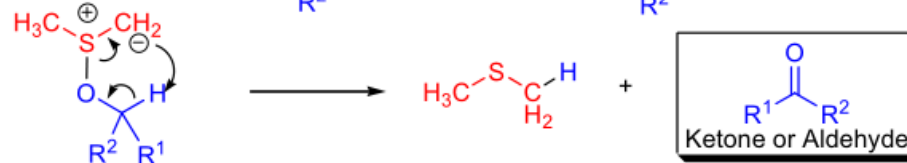
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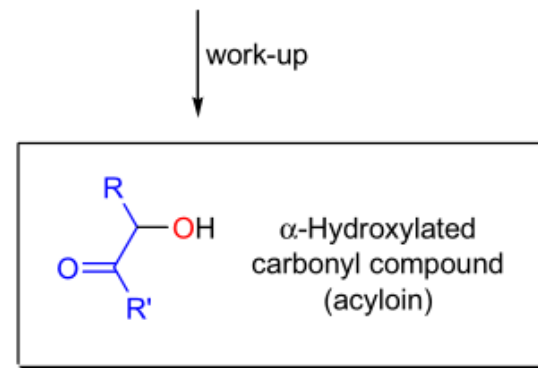
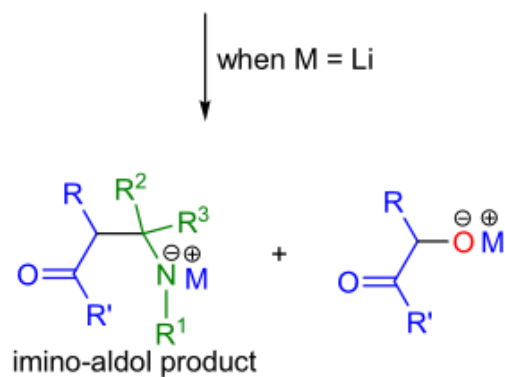
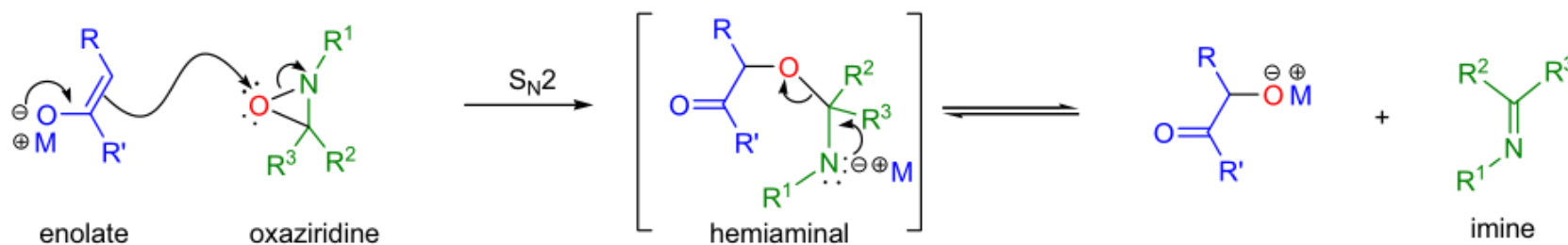
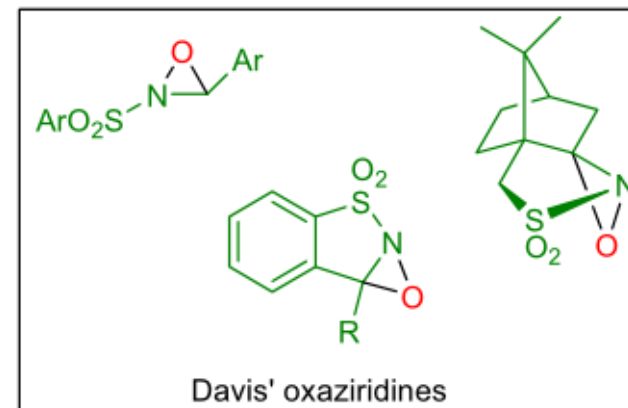
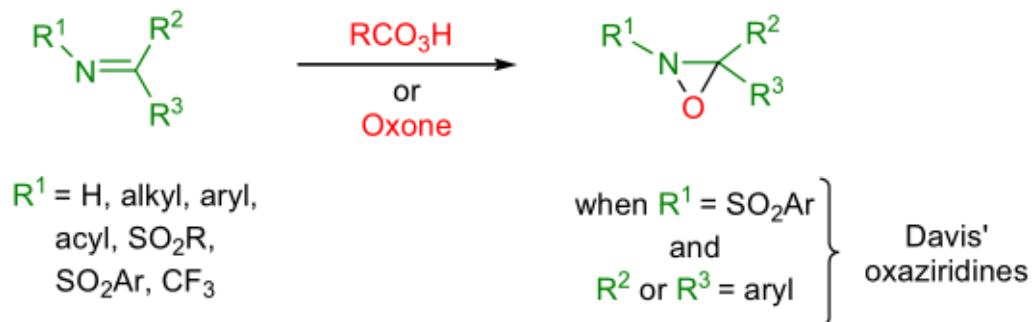
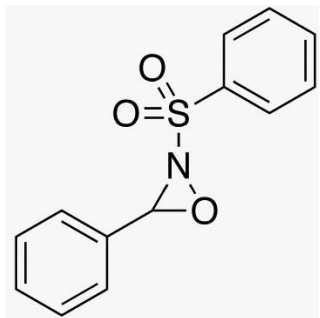
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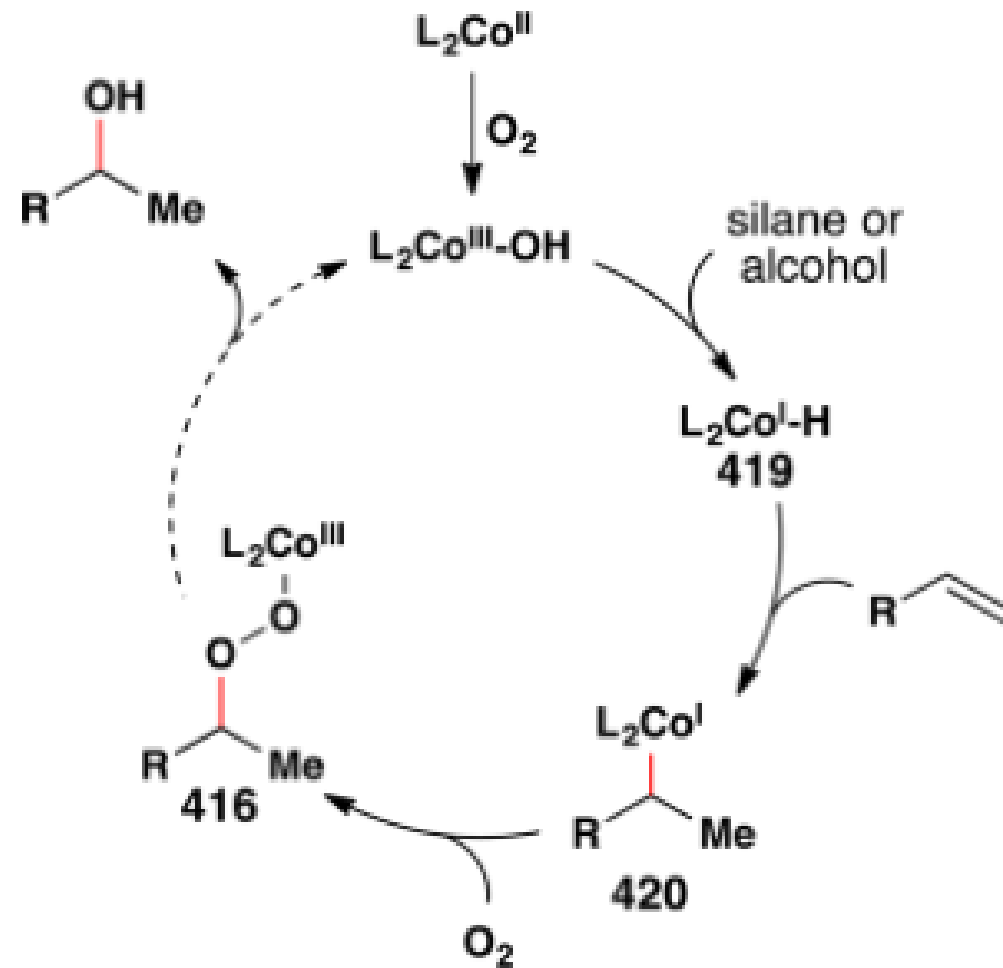
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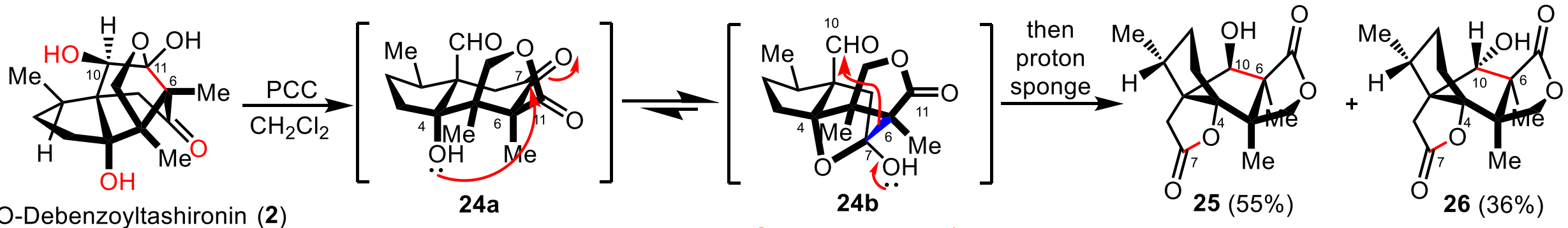
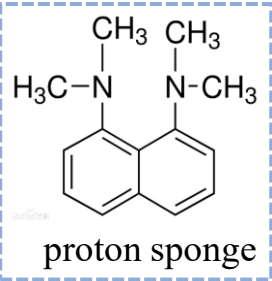
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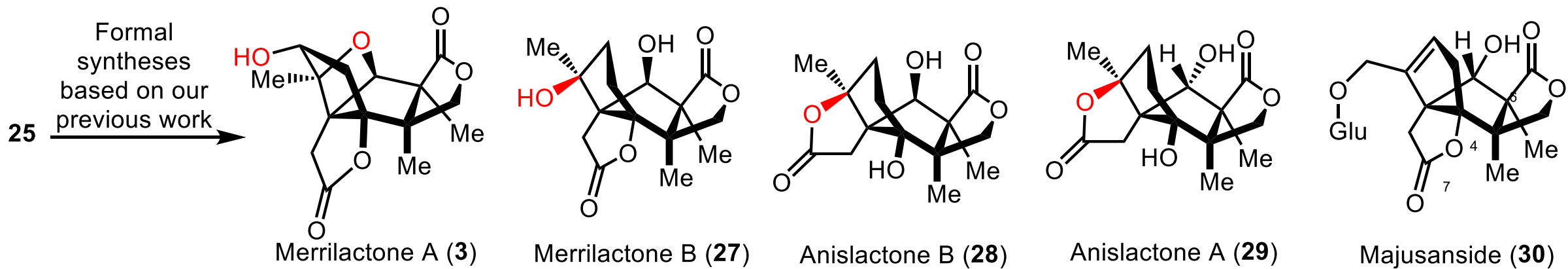


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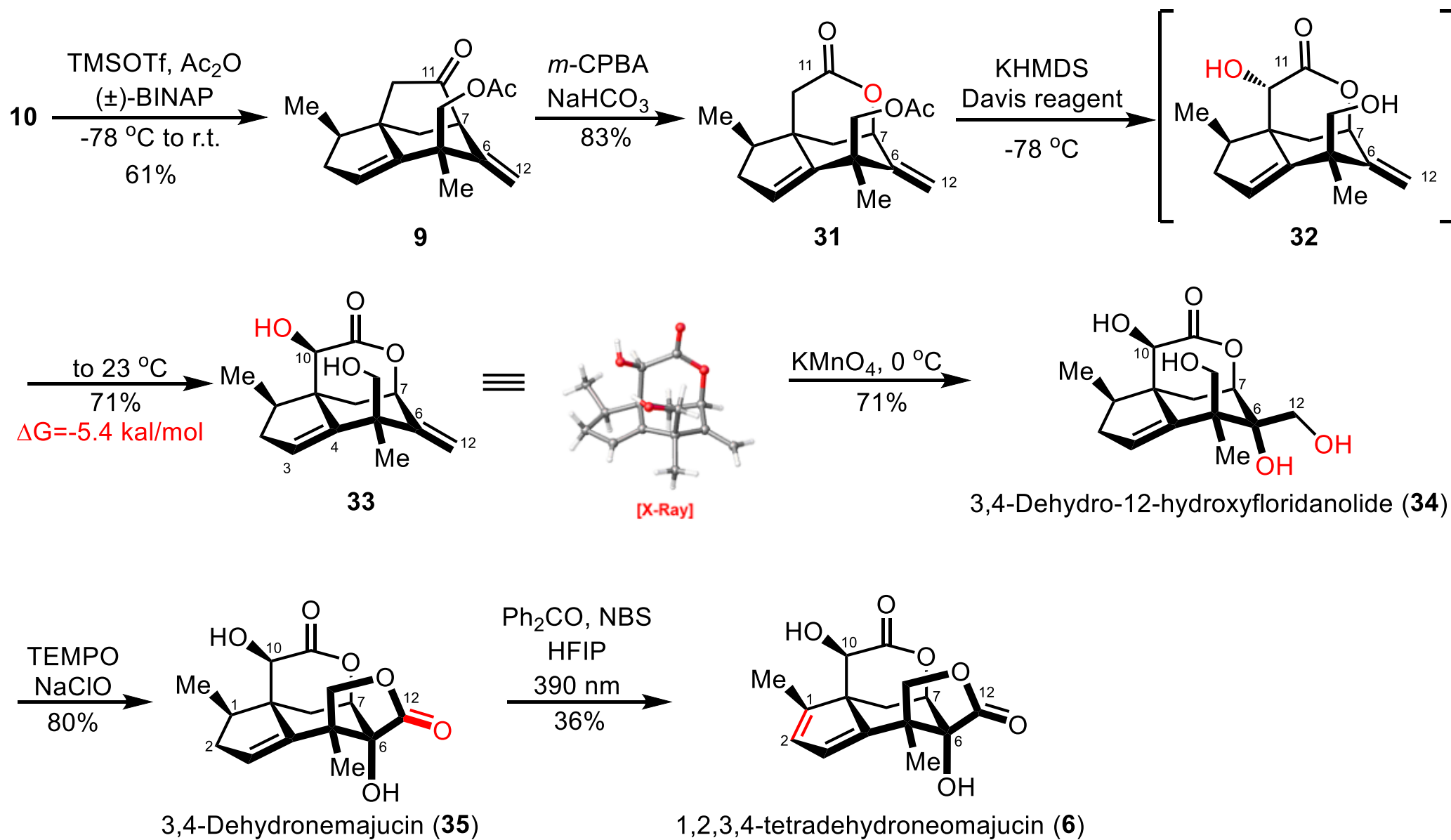


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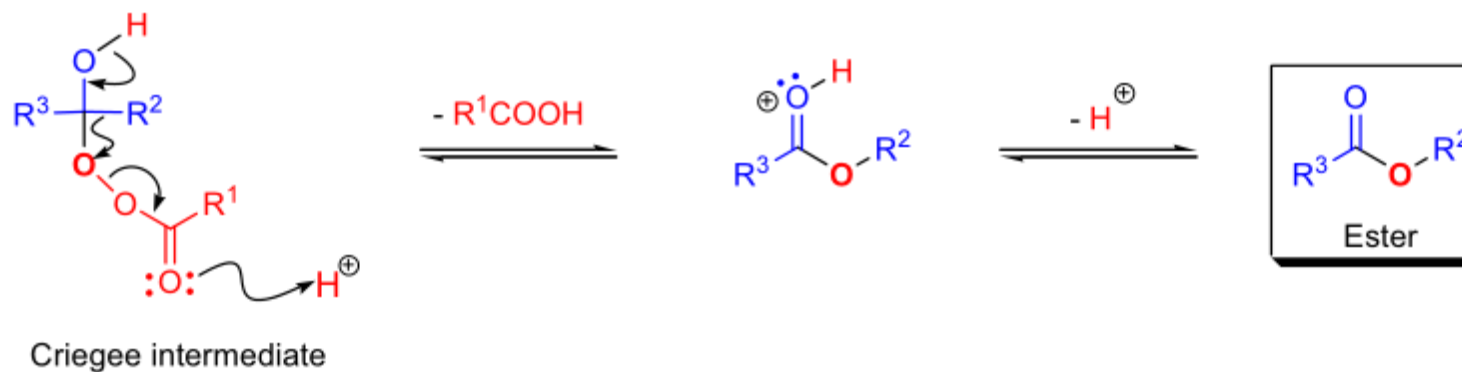
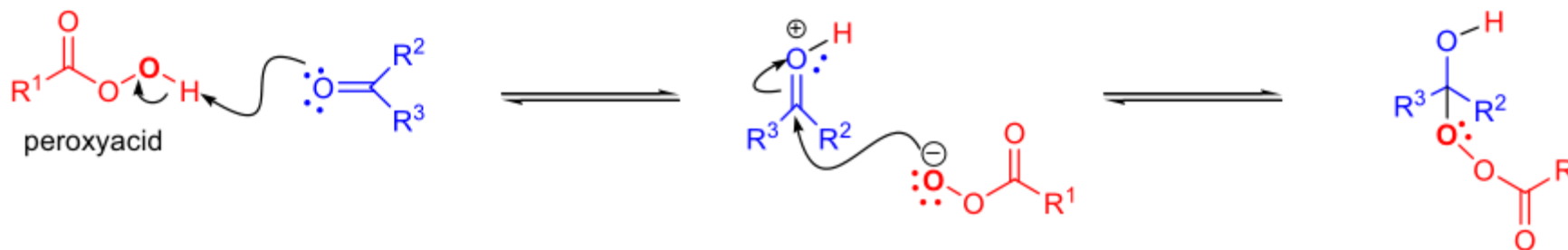
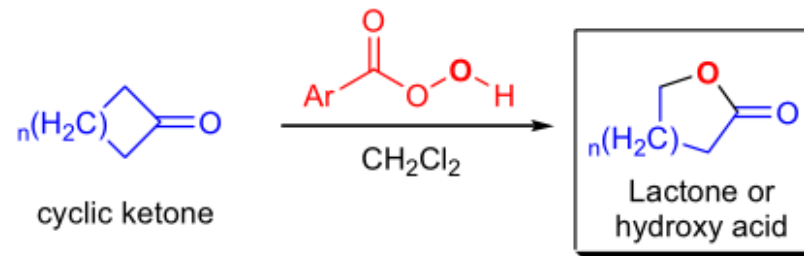
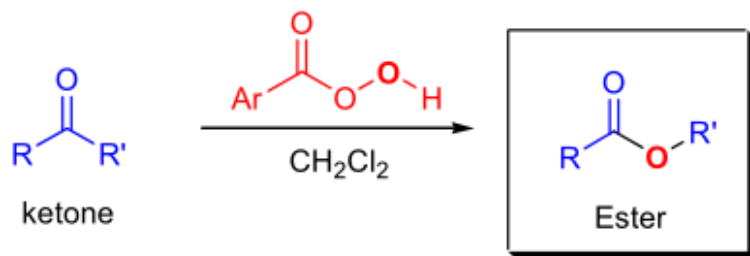
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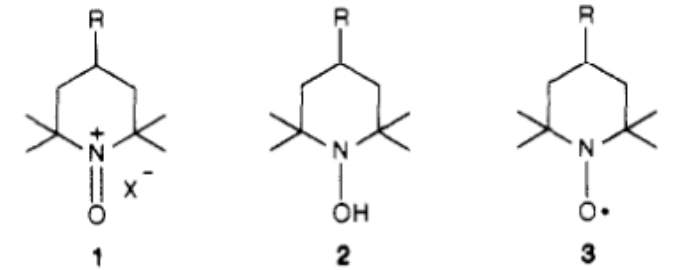
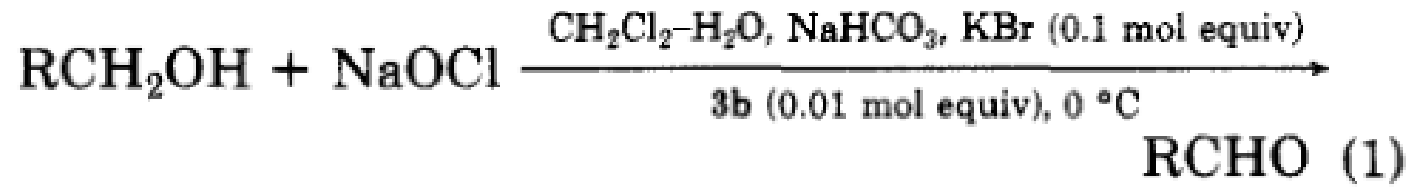


C. Entry to seco-prezizaane sesquiterpenes



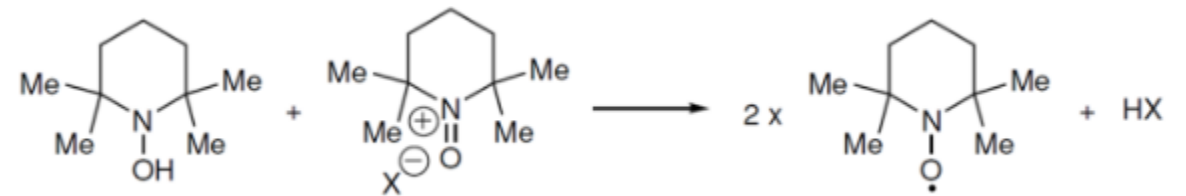
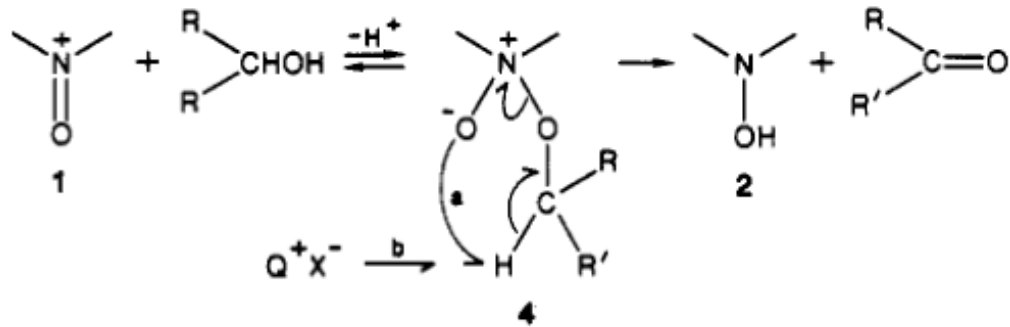
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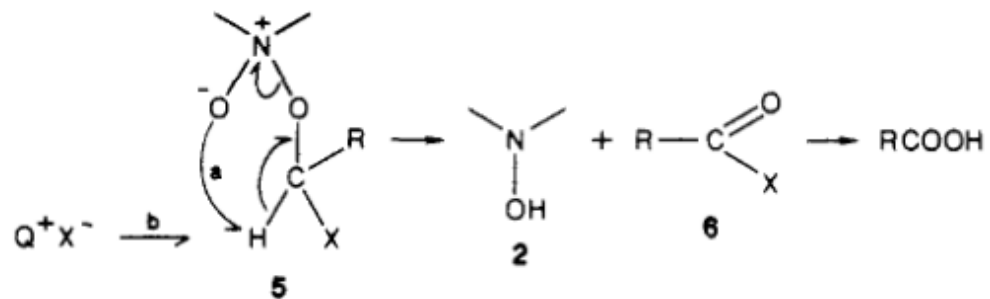


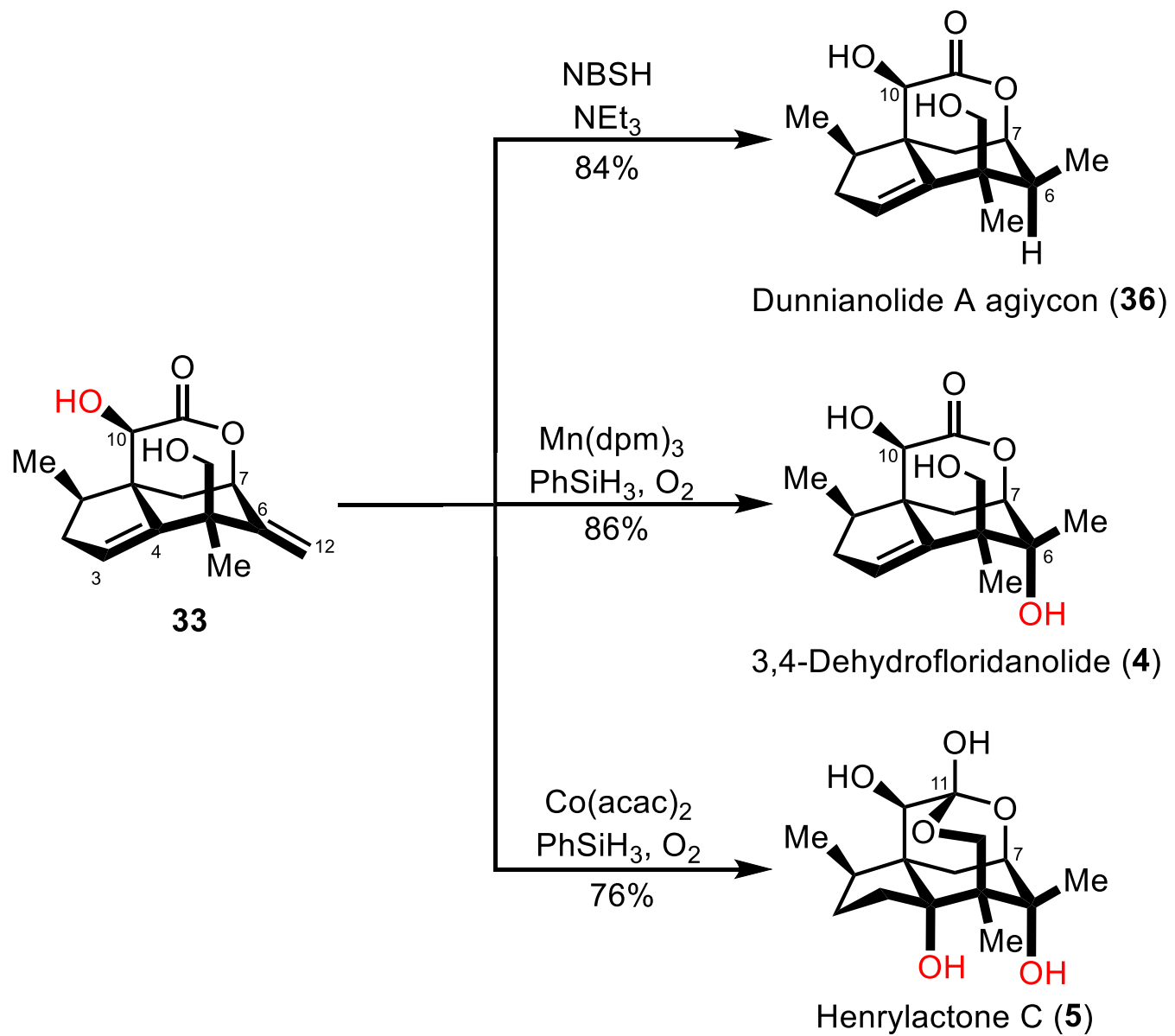
a, R = H
b, R = OCH₃

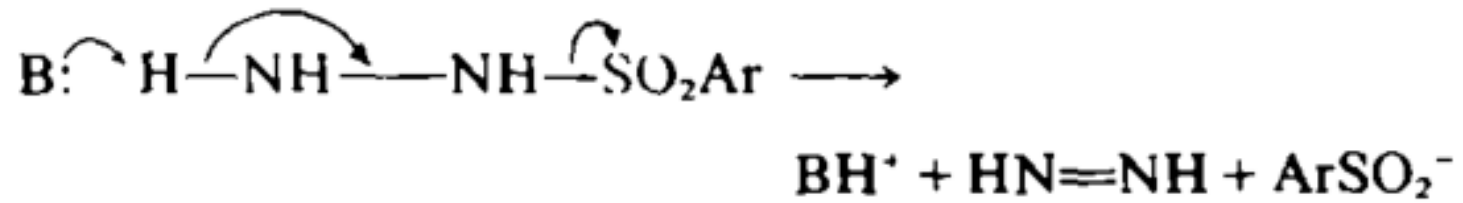
Scheme I



Scheme II

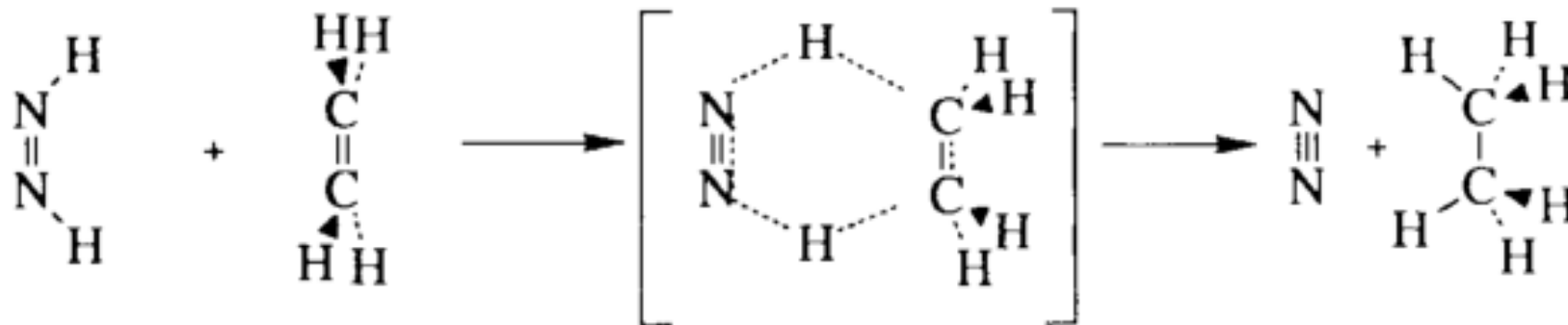






Scheme 1.

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