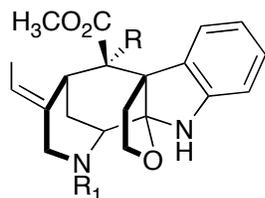


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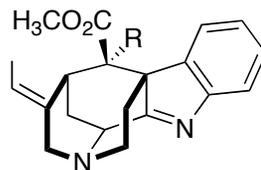
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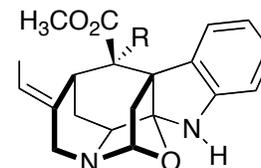
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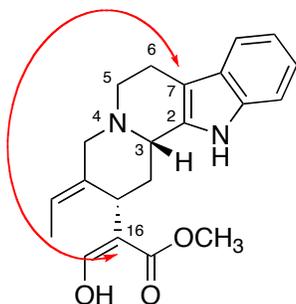
R = H, R₁ = CHO **Aspidophylline A**
R = CH₂OAc, R₁ = H **Aspidodasycarpine**



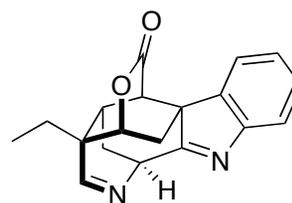
R = H, **Strictamine**
R = CH₂OAc, **Akuammiline**



R = H, **Picrinine**
R = CH₂OAc, **Picraline**



Geissoschizine



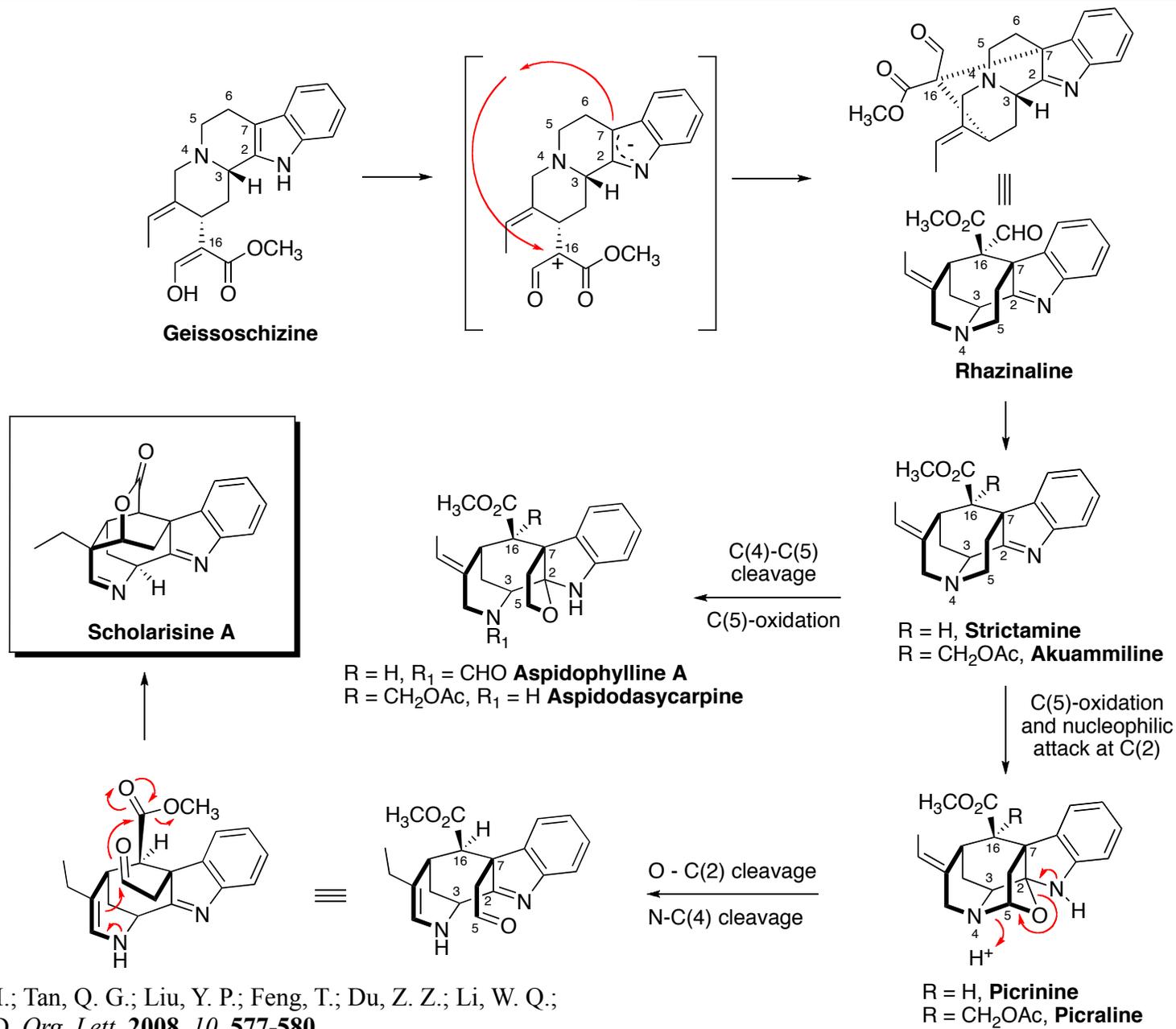
Scholarisine A



- isolated in 2008 from *Alstonia scholaris*
- unprecedented skeleton
- no information on the bioactivity
(picraline is a target for type-II diabetes)

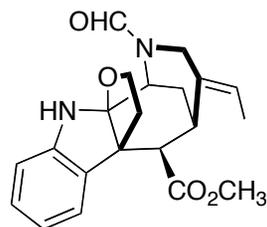
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Biosynthetic Relationship in the Akuammiline Family



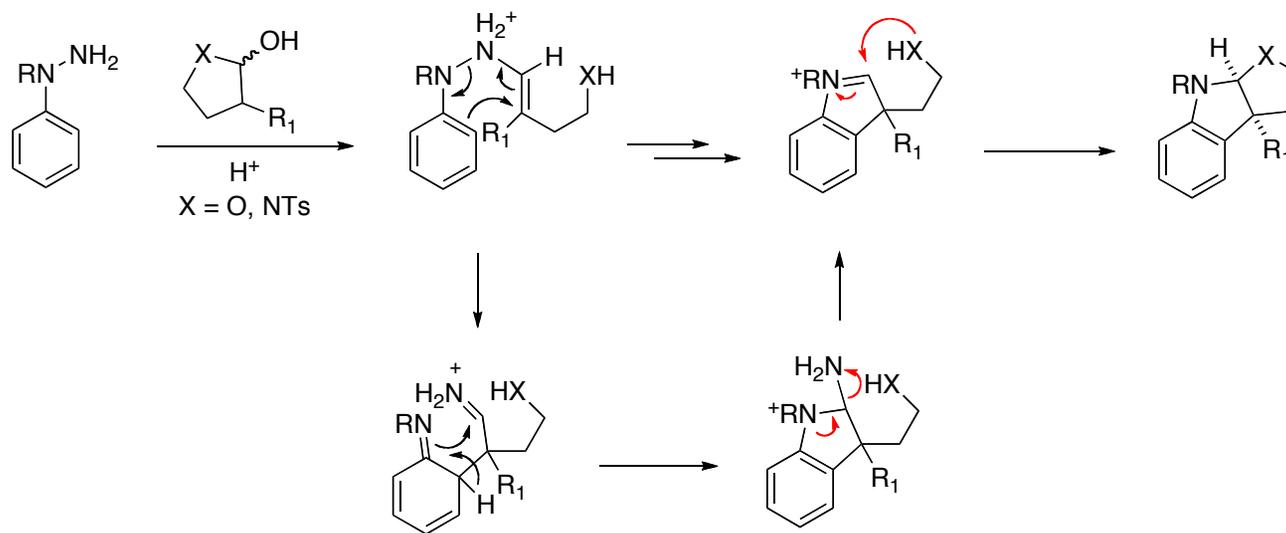
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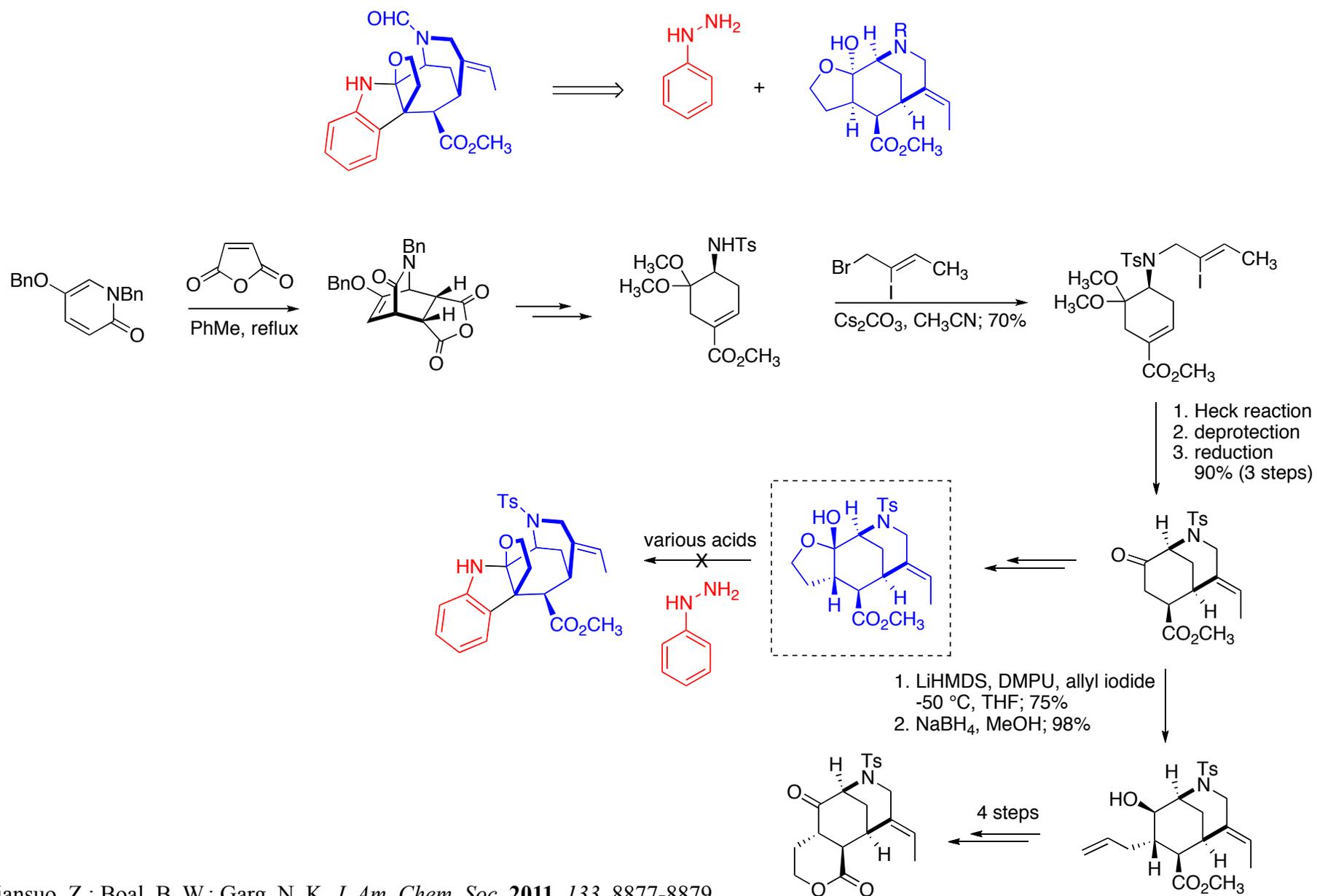
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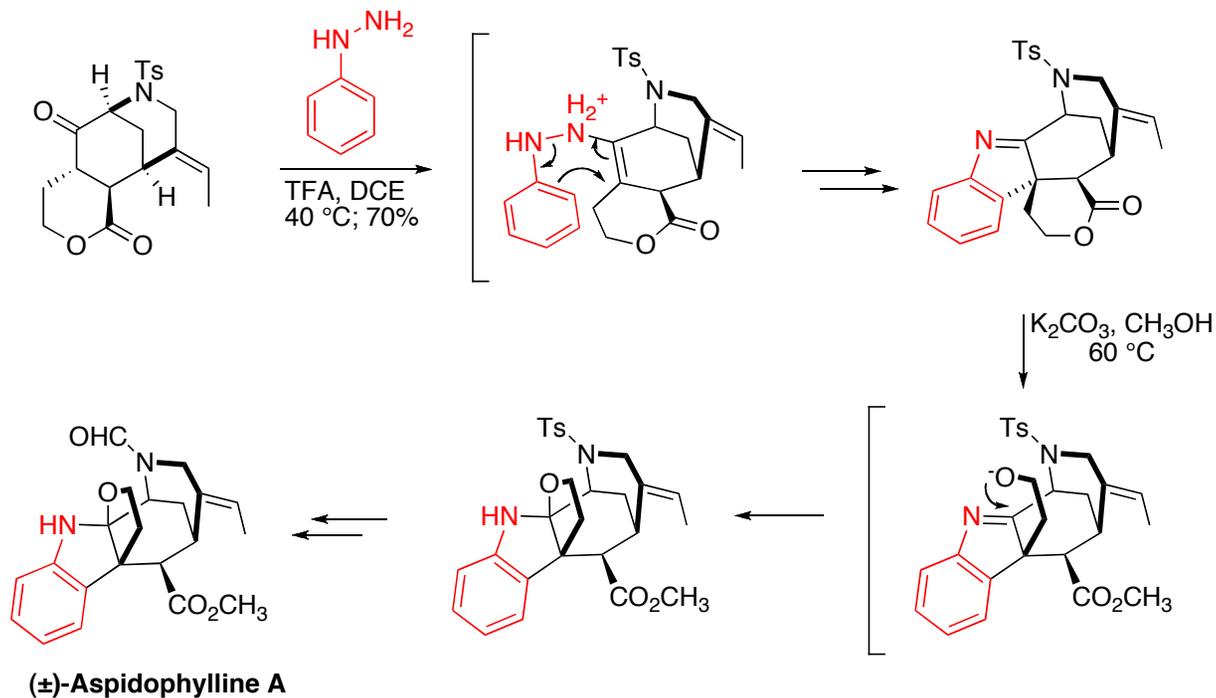
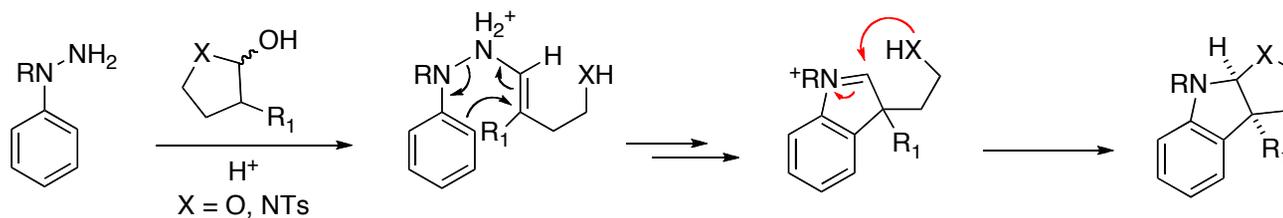
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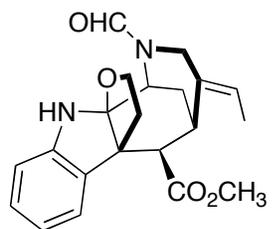
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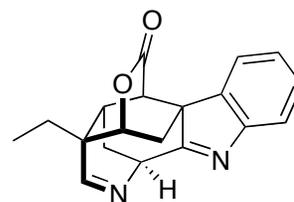


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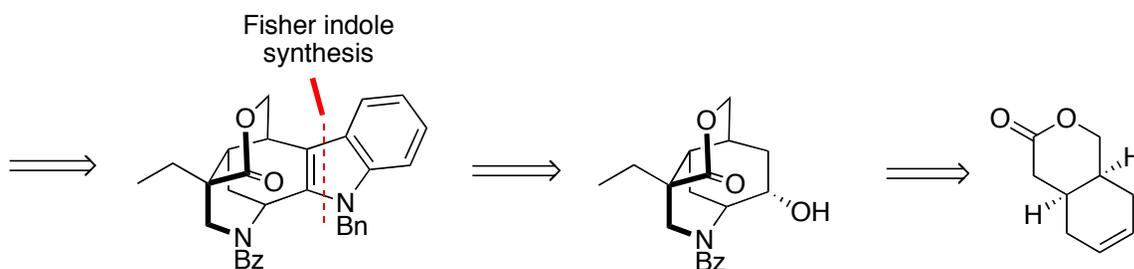
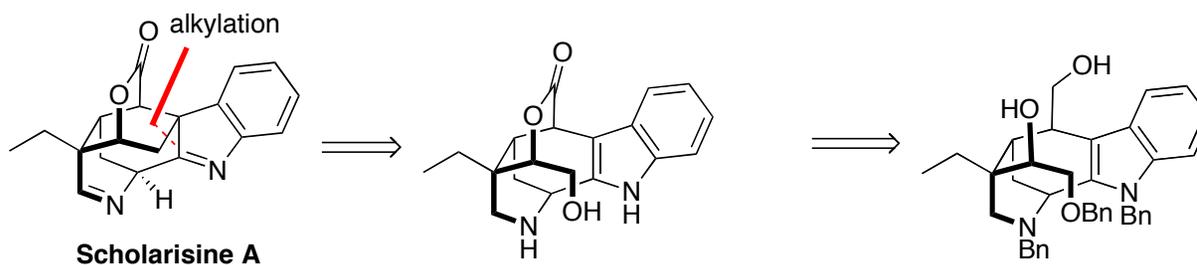
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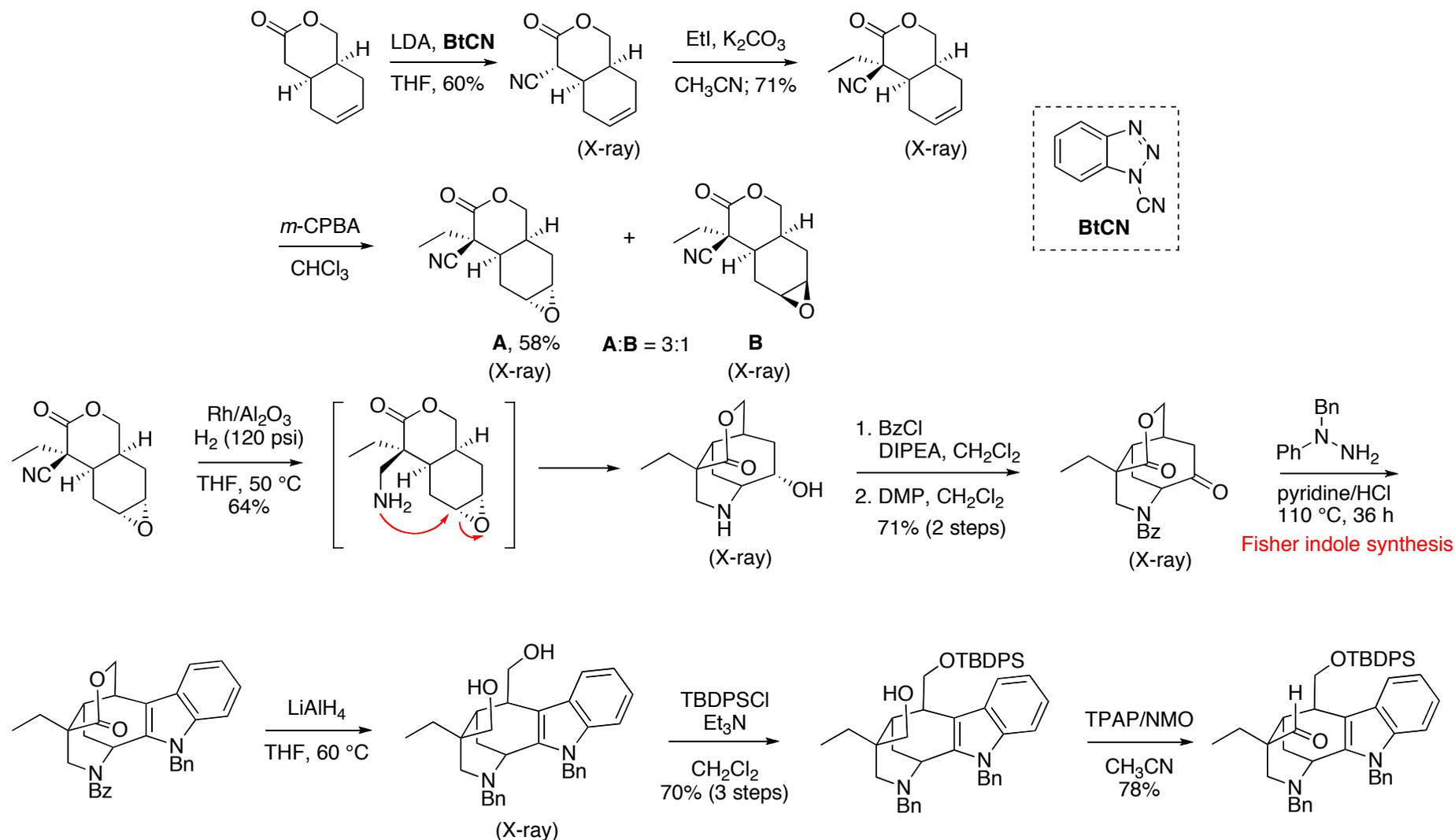


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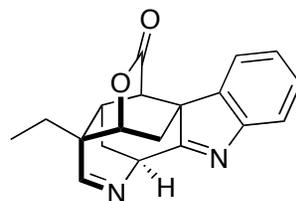
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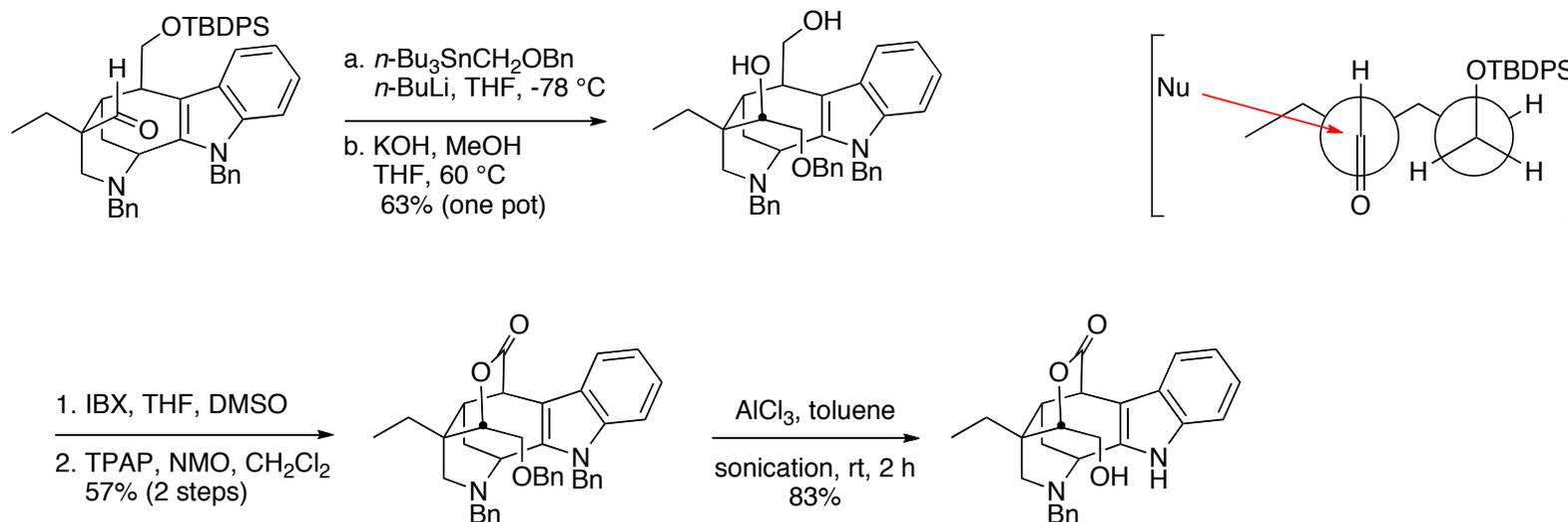


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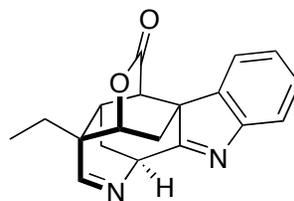


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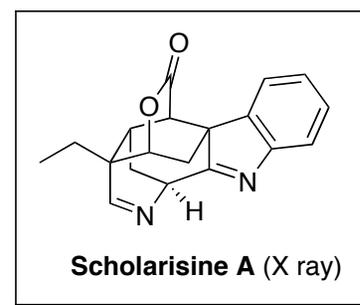
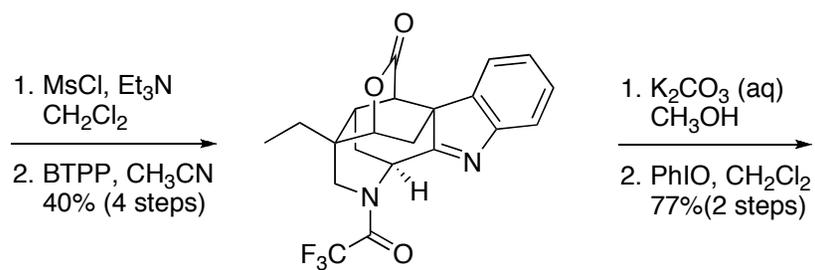
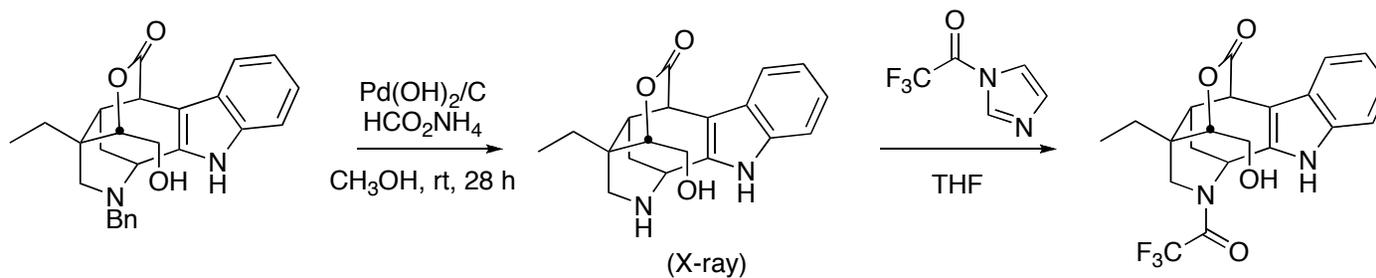


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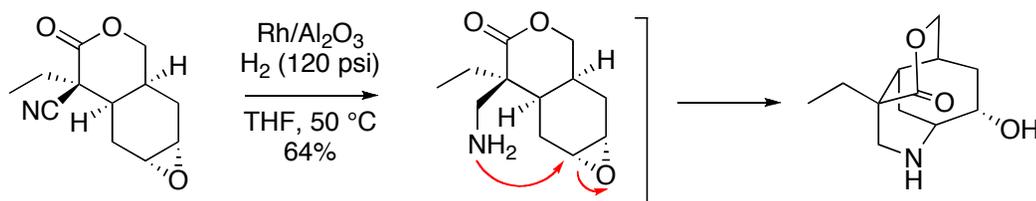
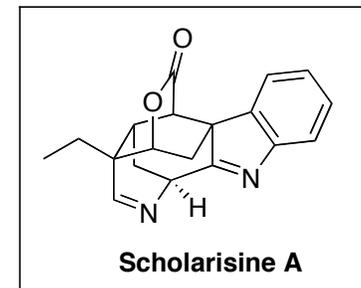


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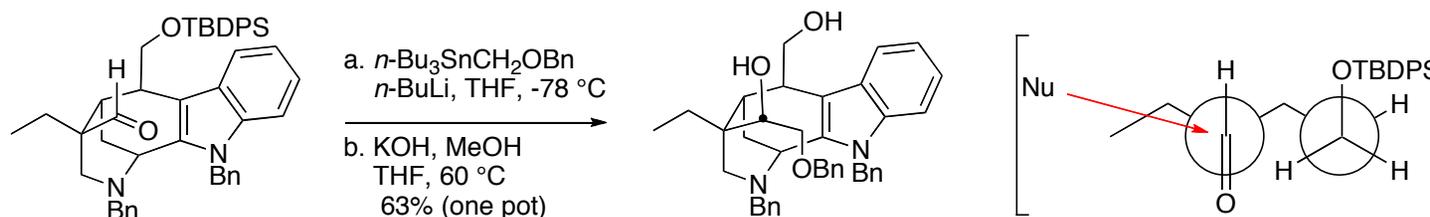


Conclusions

- Effective total synthesis of (+)-Scholarisine A (20 steps)
- Novel route: “retro-biosynthetic” fragmentation
- Nitrile reduction on Rh/Al₂O₃ – epoxide opening cascade



- Facial selectivity in the stannane reaction: model based on NMR-studies



- Intramolecular cyclization leads to the indolenine ring of Scholarisine A

