

# **Pd-Catalyzed Intramolecular C-N Bond Cleavage, 1,4-Migration, $sp^3$ C-H Activation, and Heck Reaction: Four Controllable Diverse Pathways Depending on the Judicious Choice of the Base and Ligand**

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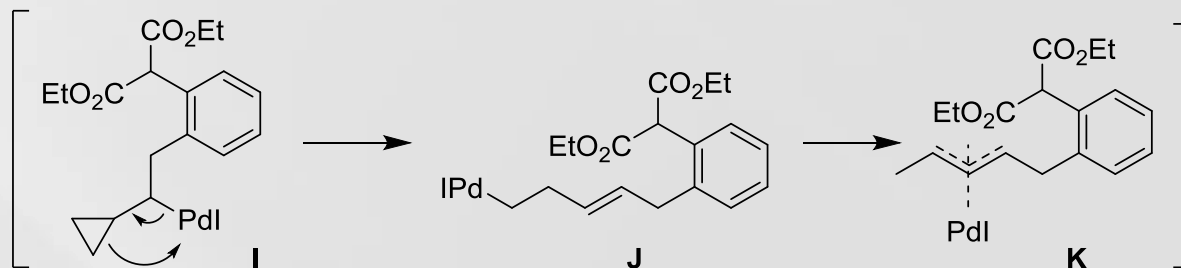
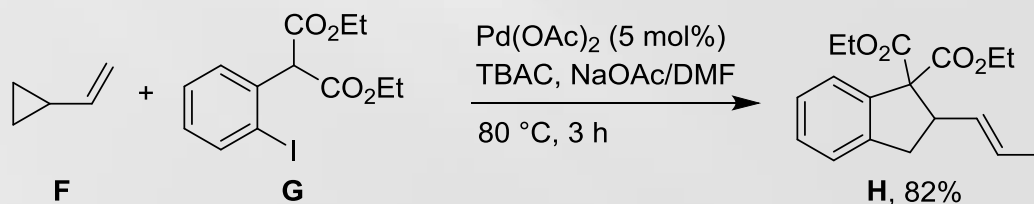
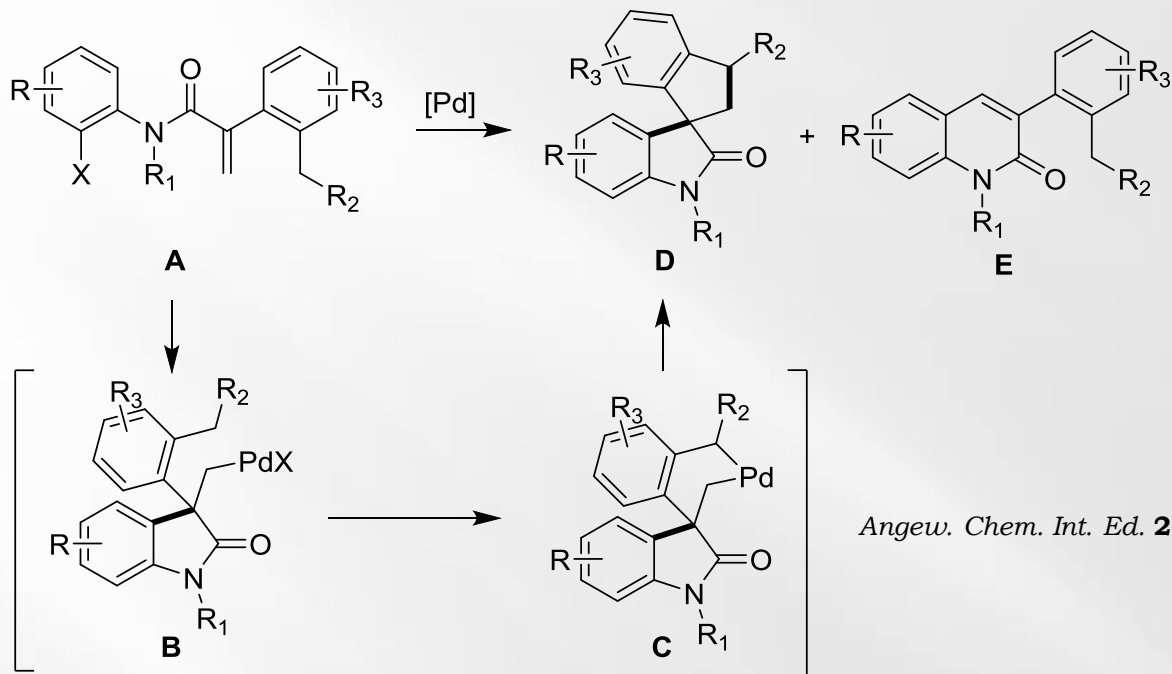
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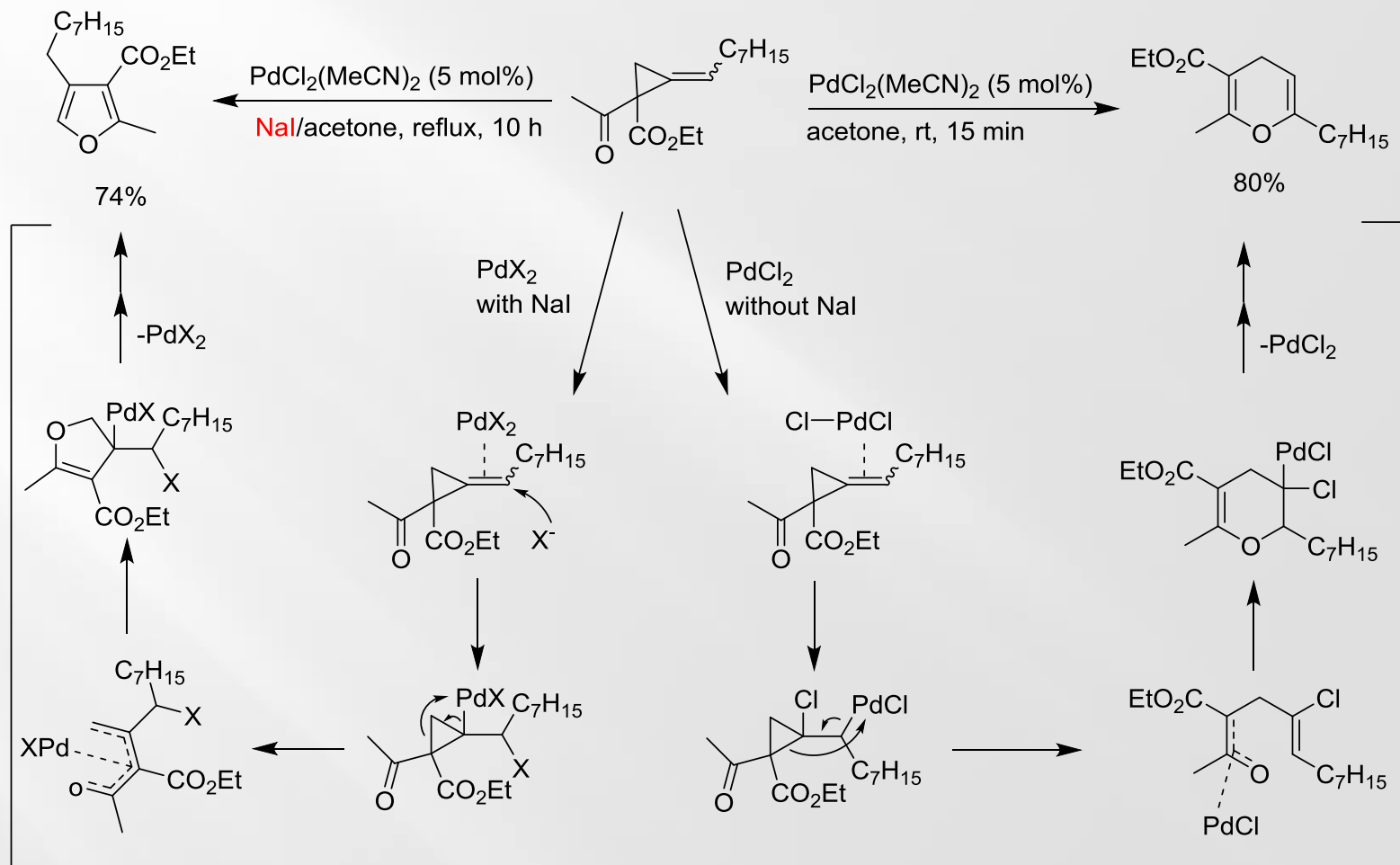
# Versatility of Pd in Synthesis

- ▣ Cross-couplings
- ▣ Hydrogenations
- ▣ Oxidations
- ▣ Allylation
- ▣ Synthesis of Heterocycles
- ▣ Carbonylation
- ▣ Rearrangements

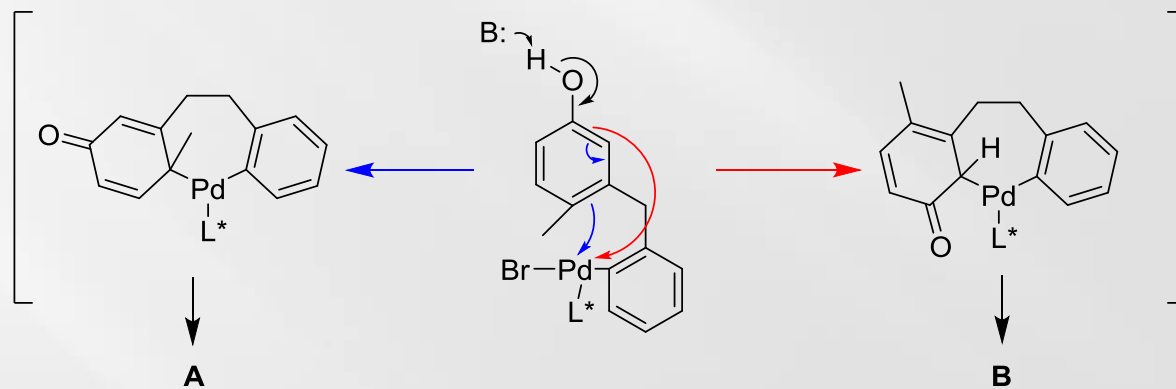
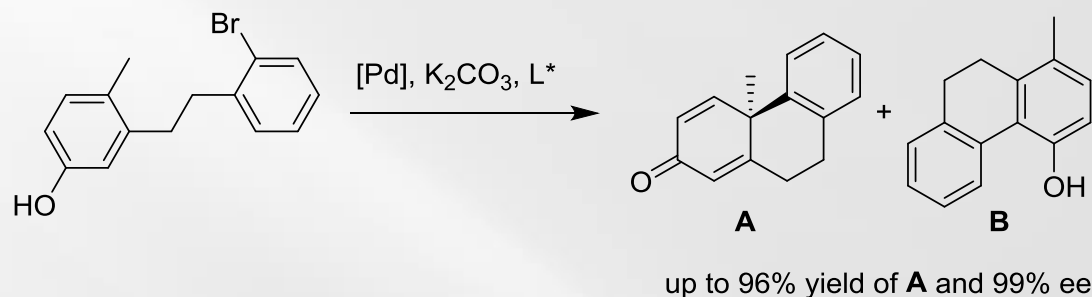
# Examples of Pd-Catalyzed Domino Transformations



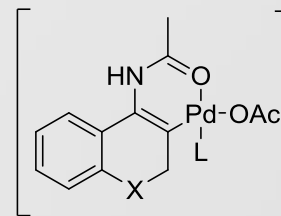
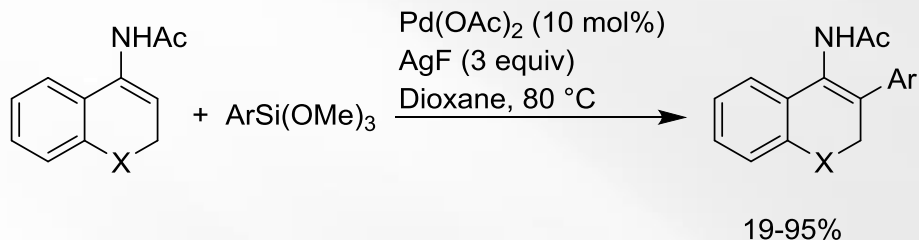
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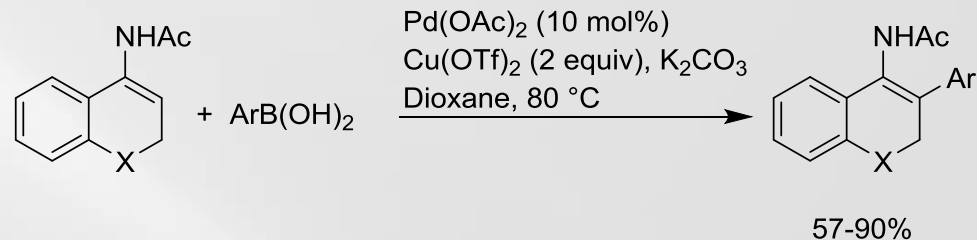
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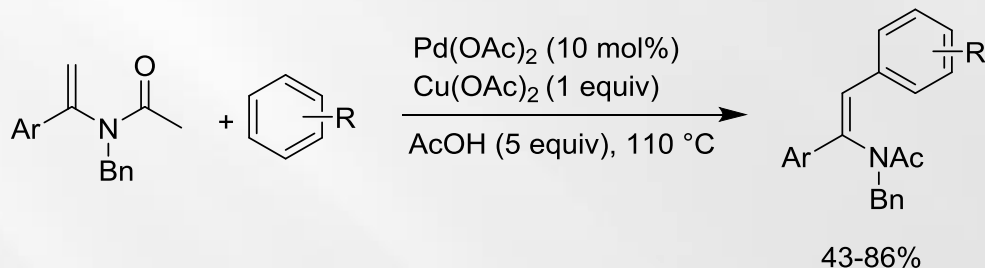
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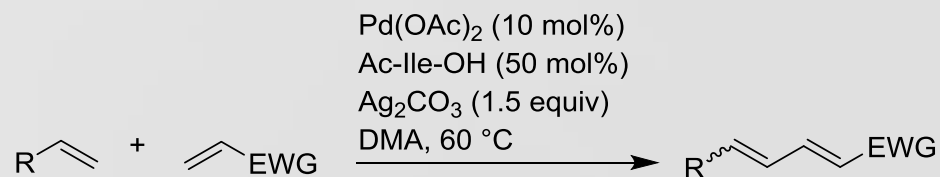
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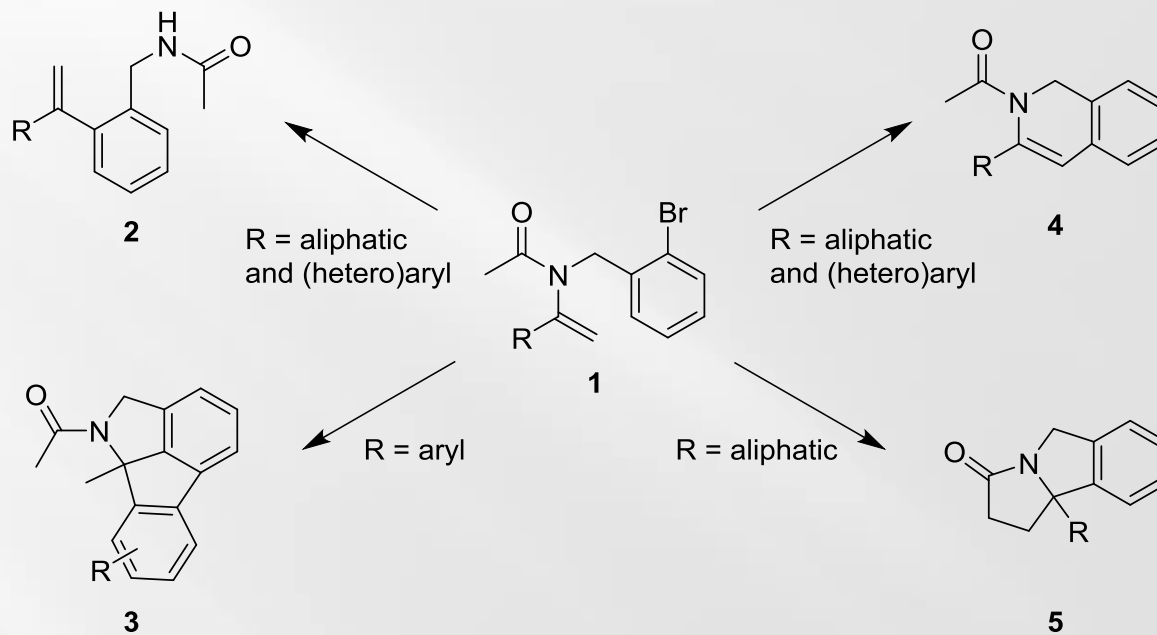
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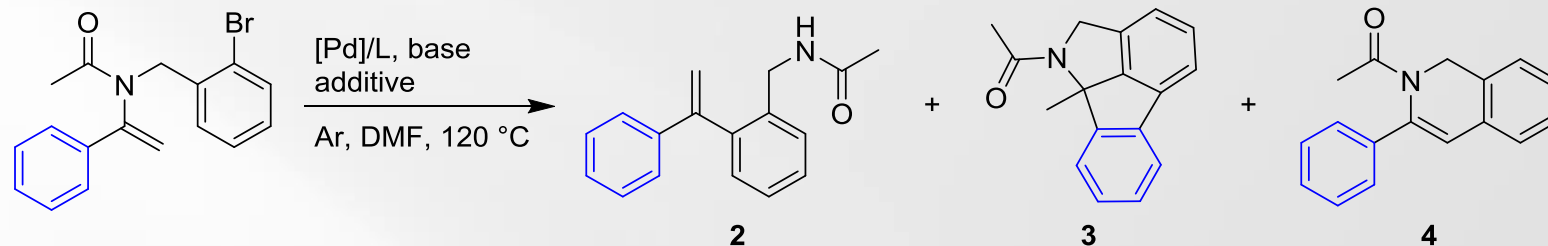
R = alkyl, aryl; EWG:  $-\text{CO}_2\text{R}$ ,  $-\text{CONR}_2$ ,  $-\text{PO}_3\text{R}_2$

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# Current Work



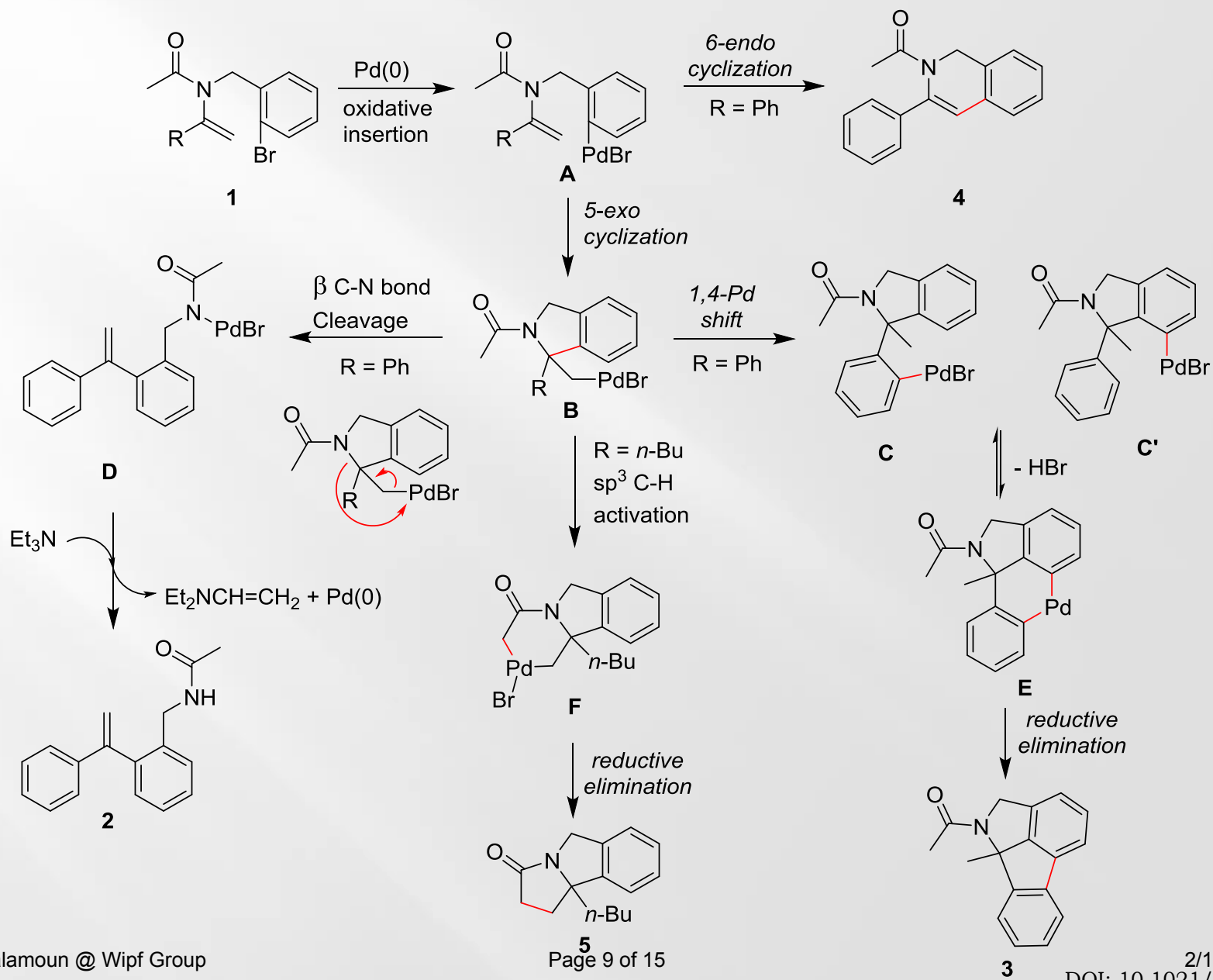
# Reaction Optimization



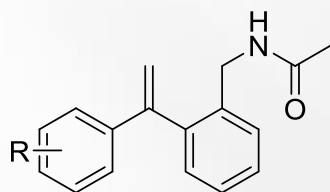
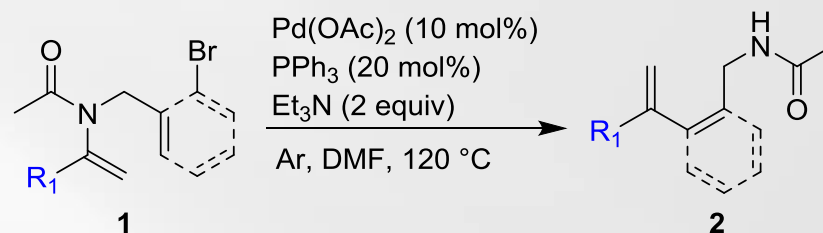
entry	catalyst (10 mol%)	ligand (mol%)	base (equiv)	additive (equiv)	2 (%)	3 (%)	4 (%)
1	none	PPh <sub>3</sub> (20)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	0	0	0
2	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	PPh <sub>3</sub> (20)	none	none	0	0	0
3	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	PPh <sub>3</sub> (20)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	4	40	56
4	Pd(PPh <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>4</sub>	none	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	0	0	0
5	Pd(PhCN) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	PPh <sub>3</sub> (20)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	trace	trace	10
6	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	PPh <sub>3</sub> (20)	Et <sub>2</sub> NH (2.0)	none	20	0	0
7	<b>Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>PPh<sub>3</sub></b> (20)	<b>Et<sub>3</sub>N (2.0)</b>	<b>none</b>	<b>90 (80)</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
8	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	PPh <sub>3</sub> (20)	DBU (2.0)	none	16	0	0
9	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	PCy <sub>3</sub> (20)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (2.0)	none	11	0	0
10	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	dppb (10)	Et <sub>3</sub> N (2.0)	none	23	0	0
11	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	dppb (10)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	4	38	54
12	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	XantPhos (10)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	3	43	52
13	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (20)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	5	45	50
14	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (30)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	4	47	47
15	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (10)	K <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	3	54	43
16	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (10)	K <sub>3</sub> PO <sub>4</sub> (1.2)	none	18	48	33
17	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (10)	Ag <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	0	0	0
18	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (10)	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	none	19	55	9
19	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (10)	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	PivOH (0.3)	16	62	18
20	<b>Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>Johnphos (10)</b>	<b>Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.2)</b>	<b>TBAC (1.0)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>76 (75)</b>	<b>trace</b>
21	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	Johnphos (10)	Na <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>3</sub> (1.2)	TBAB (1.0)	16	62	18
22	<b>Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub></b>	<b>PPh<sub>3</sub></b> (20)	<b>Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (1.2)</b>	<b>none</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>trace</b>	<b>71 (68)</b>



# Proposed Mechanisms



# $\beta$ -C-N Elimination for Synthesis of 1,1-Disubstituted Ethylene Derivatives



**2a**, R = H, 80%

**2b**, R = 2-Me, 40%

**2c**, R = 3-Me, 87%

**2d**, R = 4-Me, 77%

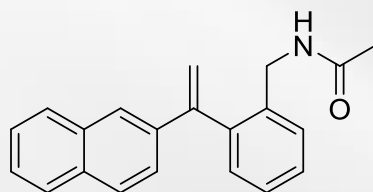
**2e**, R = 4-OMe, 76%

**2f**, R = 4-F, 61%

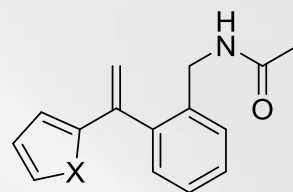
**2g**, R = 4-Cl, 66%

**2h**, R = 4-Br, 61%

**2i**, R = 4-NO<sub>2</sub>, 64%

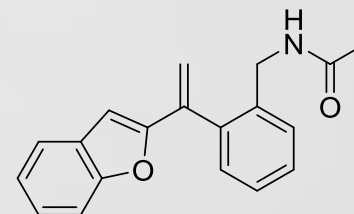


**2j**, 74%

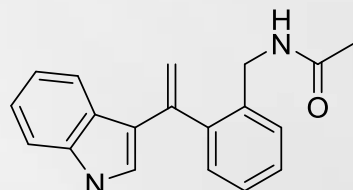


**2k**, X = O, 61%

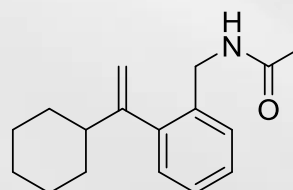
**2l**, X = S, 67%



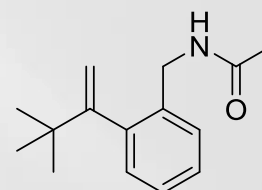
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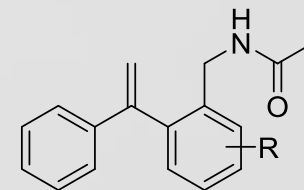
**2n**, 31%



**2o**, 48%



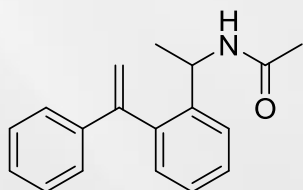
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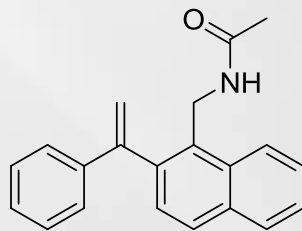
**2q**, R = 4-Me, 73%

**2r**, R = 6-Cl, 48%

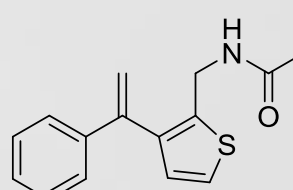
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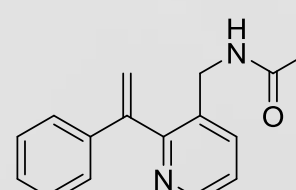
**2t**, 39%



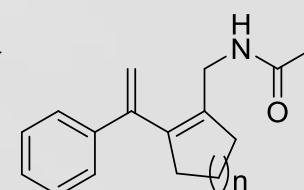
**2u**, 80%



**2v**, 50%



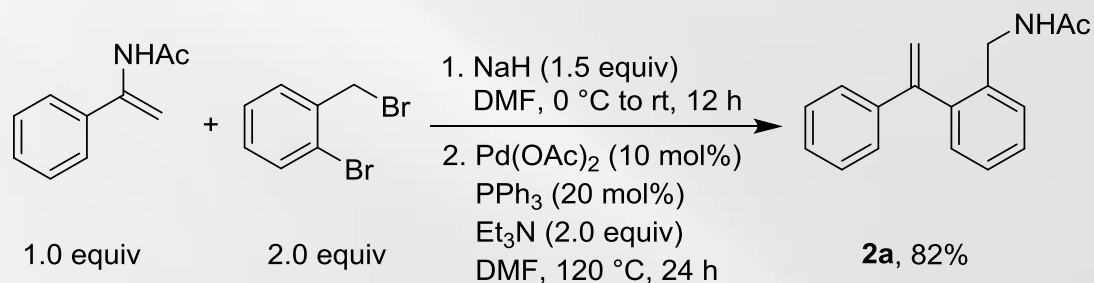
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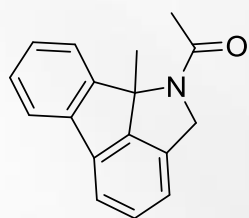
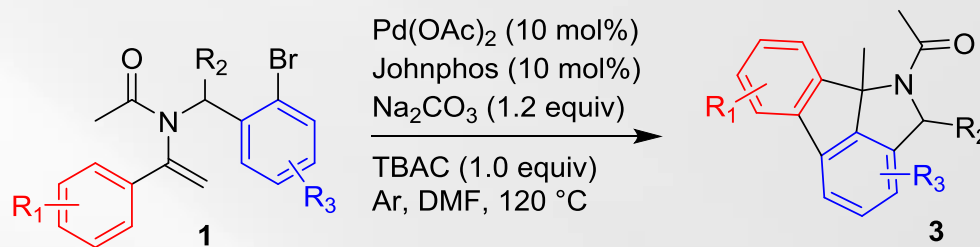
**2x**, n = 1, 37%

**2y**, n = 2, 35%

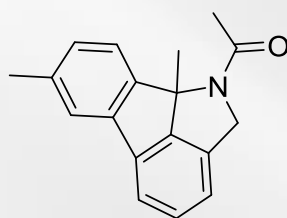
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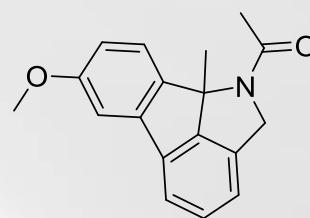
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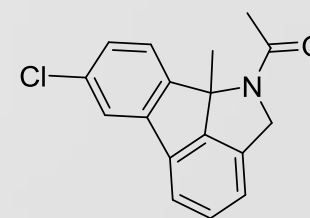
**3a**, 75%



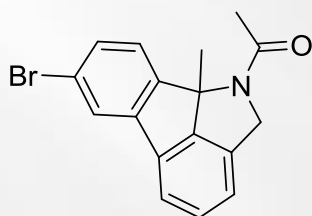
**3b**, 70%



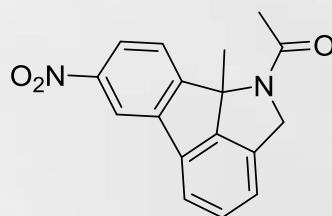
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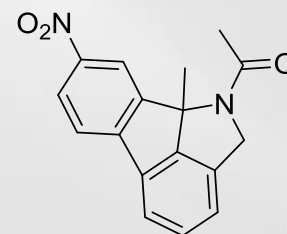
**3d**, 83%



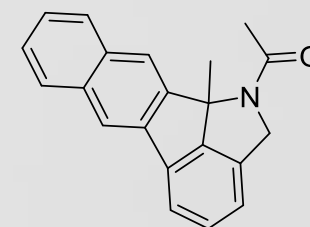
**3e**, 36%



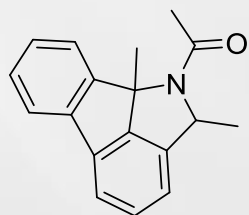
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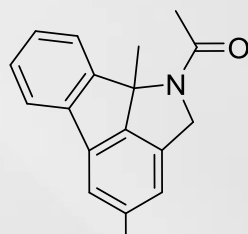
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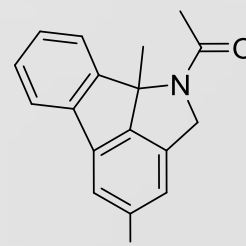
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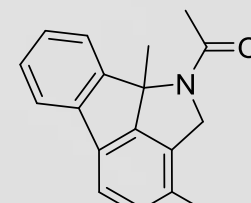
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**3j**, 59%

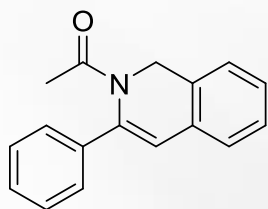
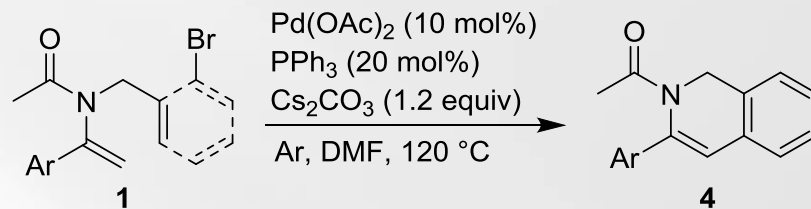


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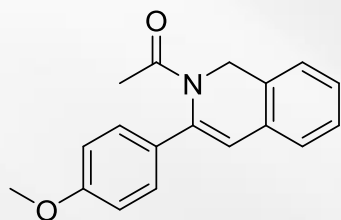


**3l**, 50%

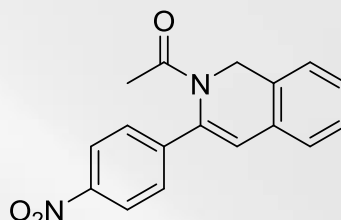
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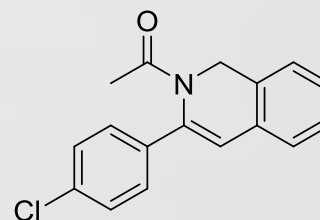
**4a**, 68%



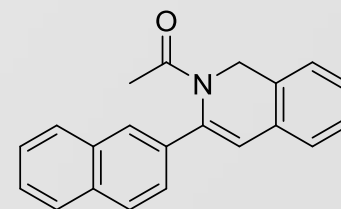
**4b**, 82%



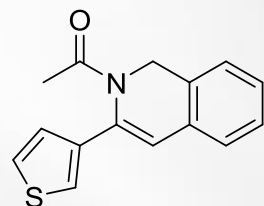
**4c**, 35%



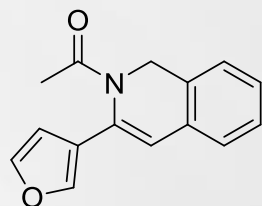
**4d**, 53%



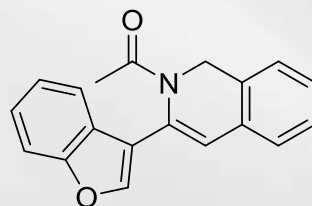
**4e**, 65%



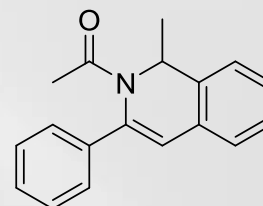
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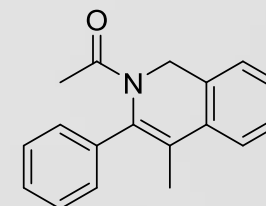
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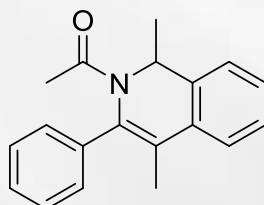
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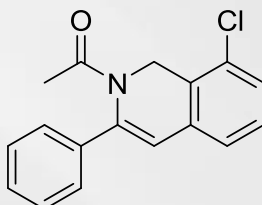
**4i**, 53%



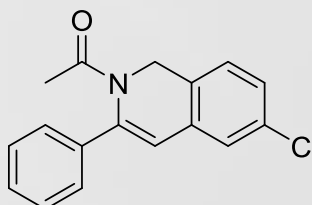
**4j**, 84%



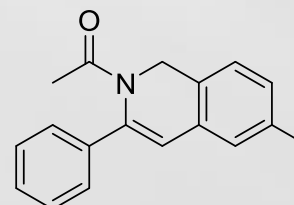
**4k**, 74%



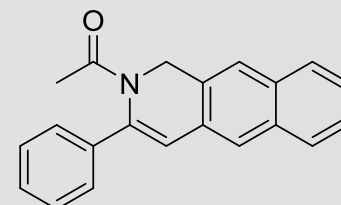
**4l**, 73%



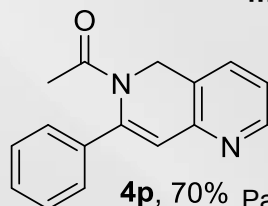
**4m**, 62%



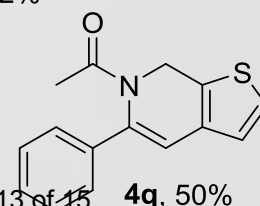
**4n**, 73%



**4o**, 56%

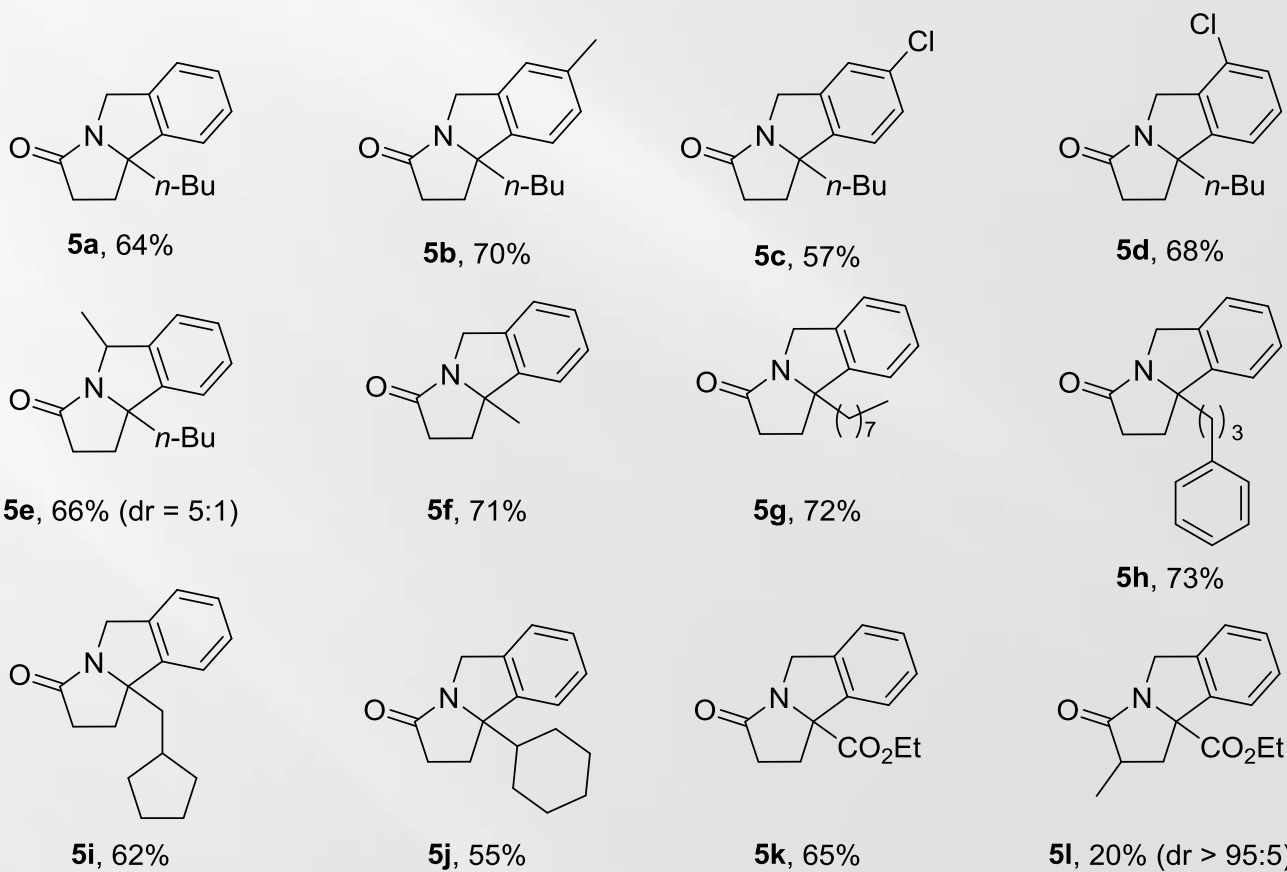
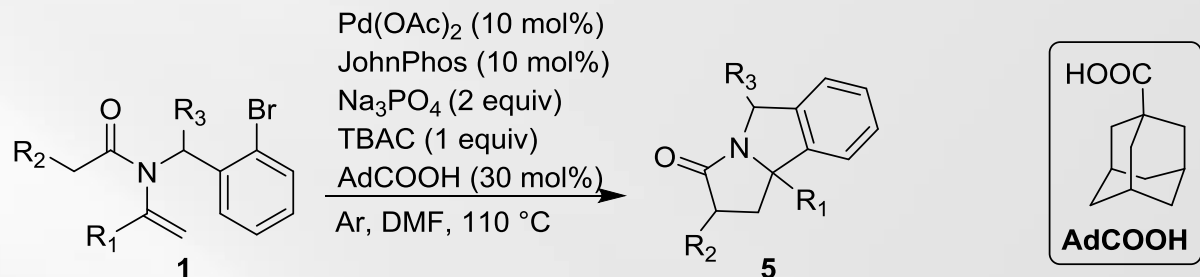


**4p**, 70%



**4q**, 50%

# Pd-Catalyzed $\alpha$ -C-H Bond Direct Functionalization



# Conclusions

- ▣ Choice of ligand and base impacts reaction pathway allowing for selective product formation.
- ▣ Good yields for multiple bond breaking/forming reactions that may be useful for a variety of scaffolds.
- ▣ Need a better mechanistic understanding of the impact of ligand and base selections. Future studies?
- ▣ Low yields are not adequately explained. Are any undesired products seen (i.e. selectivity problems)?