

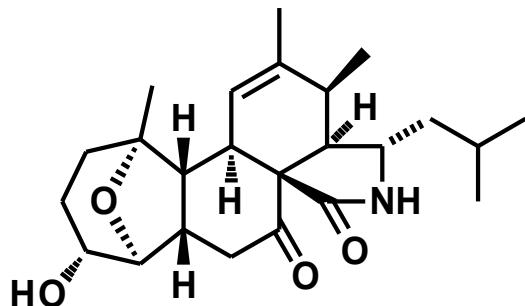
# Identification of an Unexpected 2-Oxonia[3,3]sigmatropic Rearrangement/Aldol Pathway in the Formation of Oxacyclic Rings. Total Synthesis of (+)-Aspergillin PZ.

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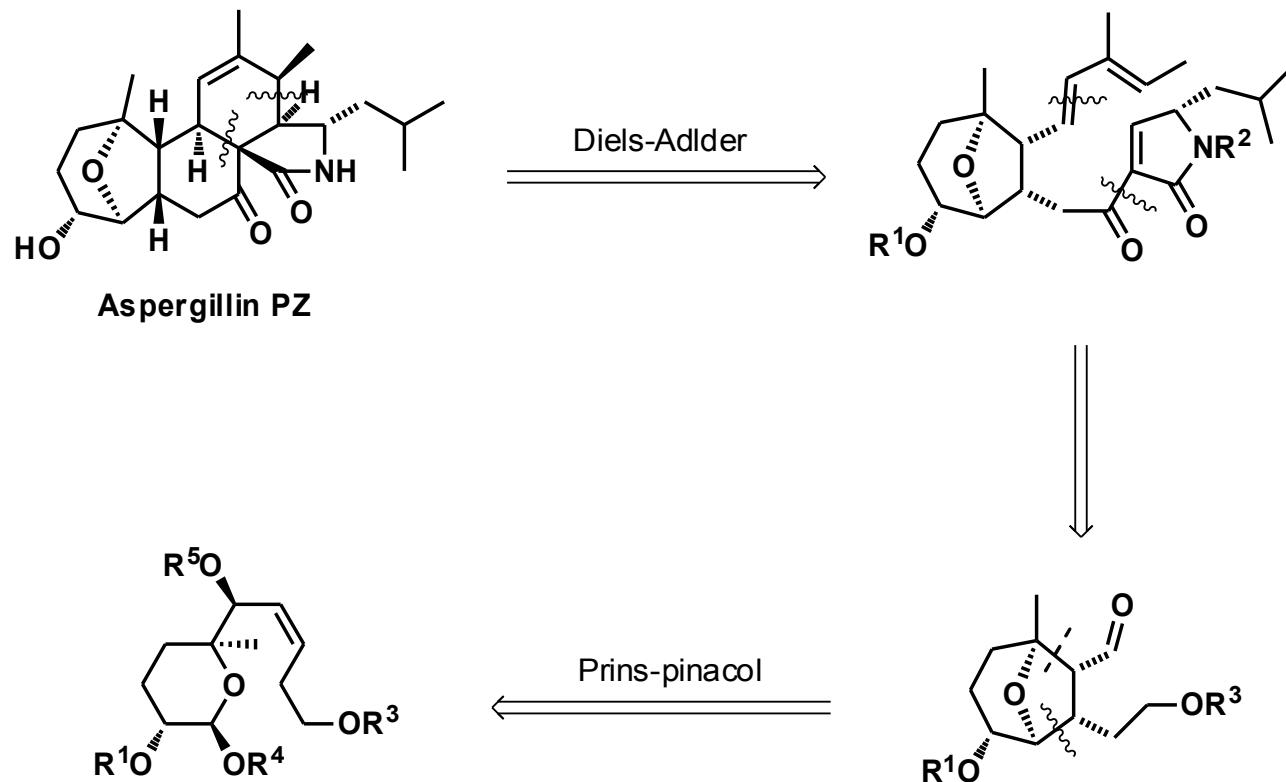
The (+)-Aspergillin PZ was isolated from the soil fungus *Aspergillus awamori*.  
The isolation and identification were reported by Pei and coworkers in 2002.<sup>(1)</sup>

The structure of aspergillin PZ was proved by 2D NMR studies and X-ray analysis. The aspergillin PZ has pentacyclic structure with isoindolone moiety and unusual 12-oxatricyclo[6.3.1.0<sup>2,7</sup>]dodecane ring system.

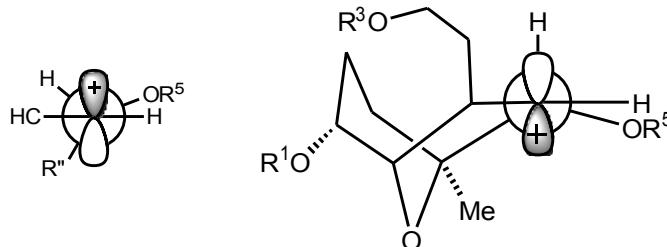
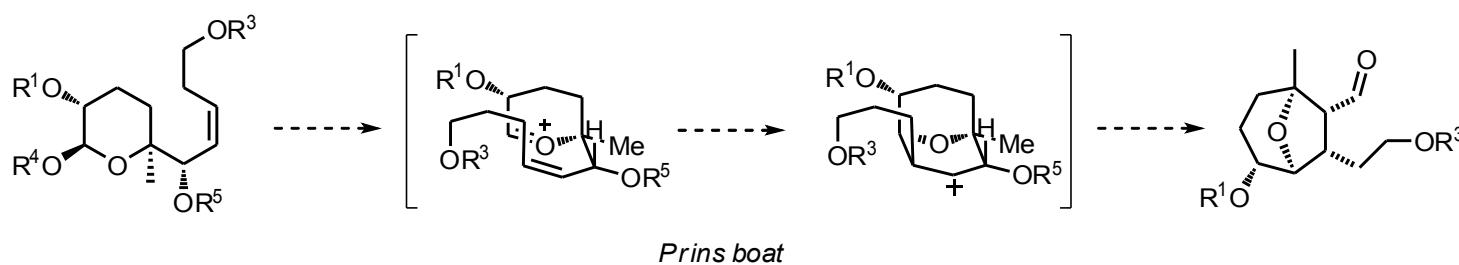
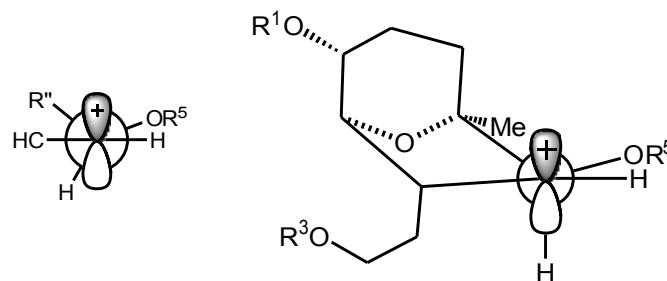
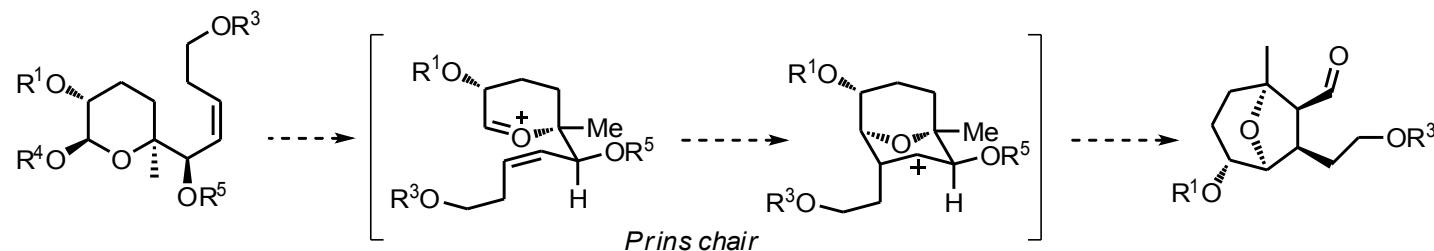
Pei and coworkers also described morphological deformation of the conidia of *Pyricularia oryzae* at 0.089 µM induced by aspergillin PZ.<sup>(1)</sup>

(1) Zhang, Y.; Wang, T.; Pei, Y.; Hua, H.; Feng, B. *J. Antibiot.* **2002**, *55*, 693–695.

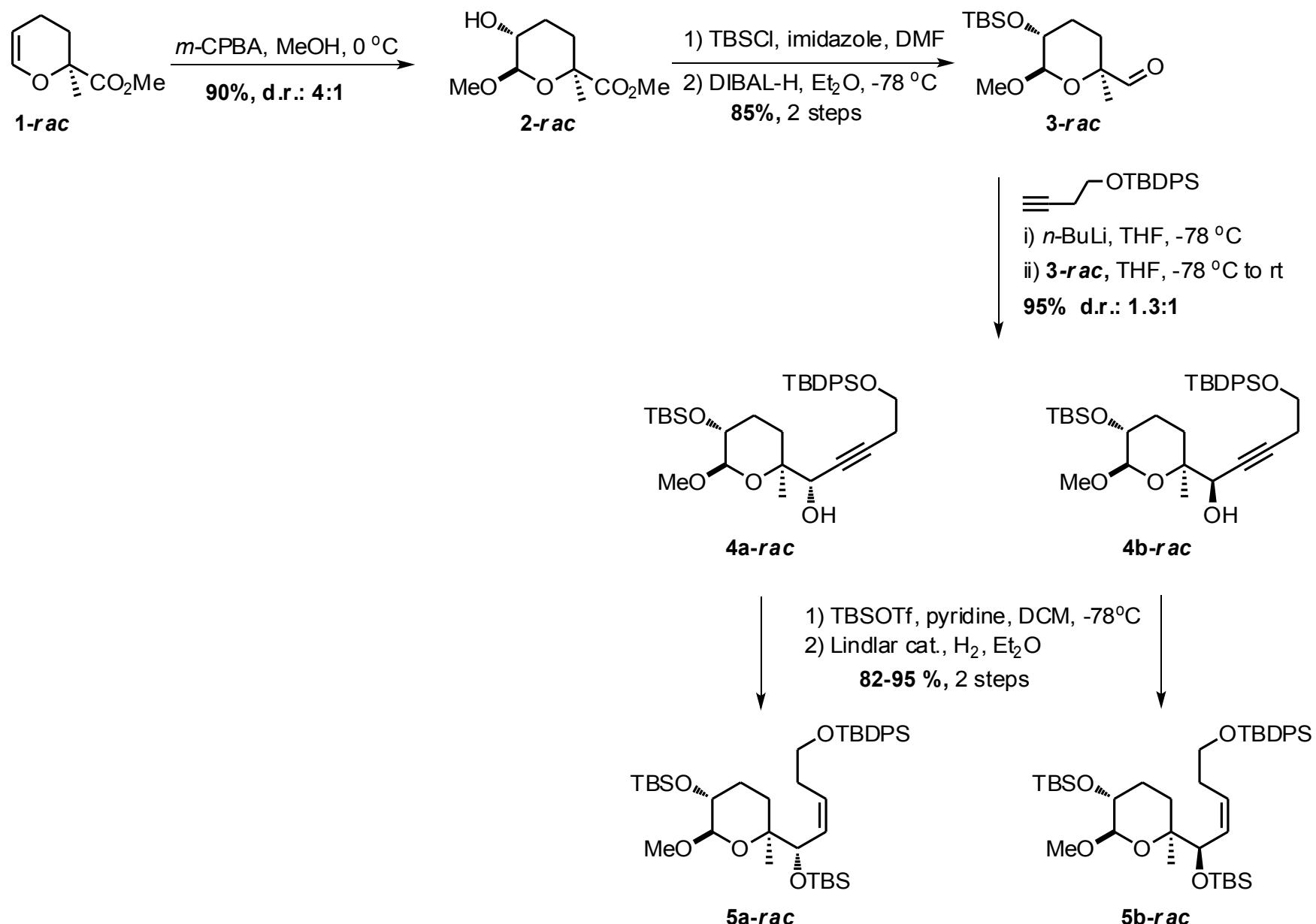
# Retrosynthetic analysis of (+)-Aspergillin PZ.



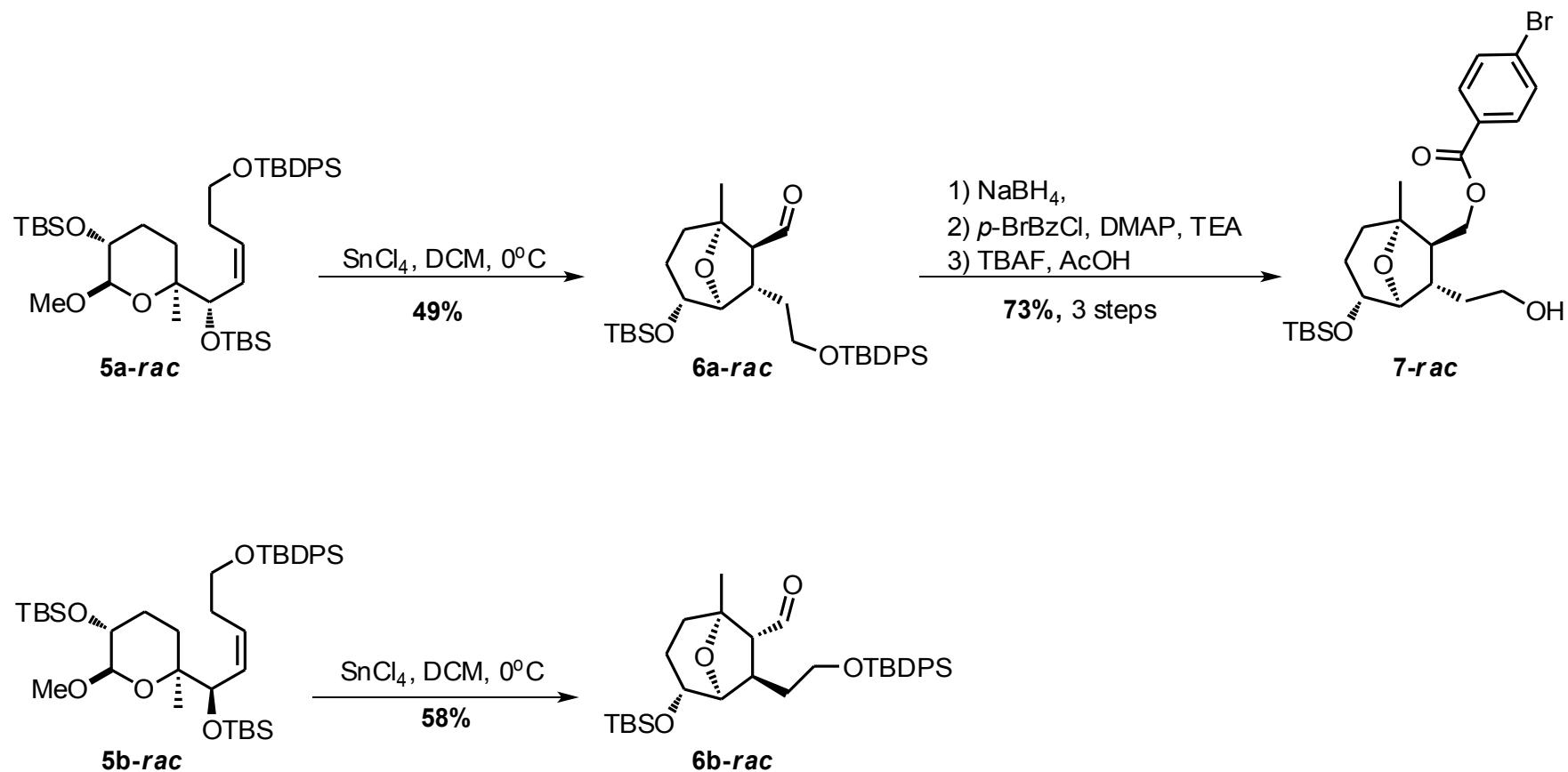
# Stereochemical analysis of the Prins-pinacol reaction



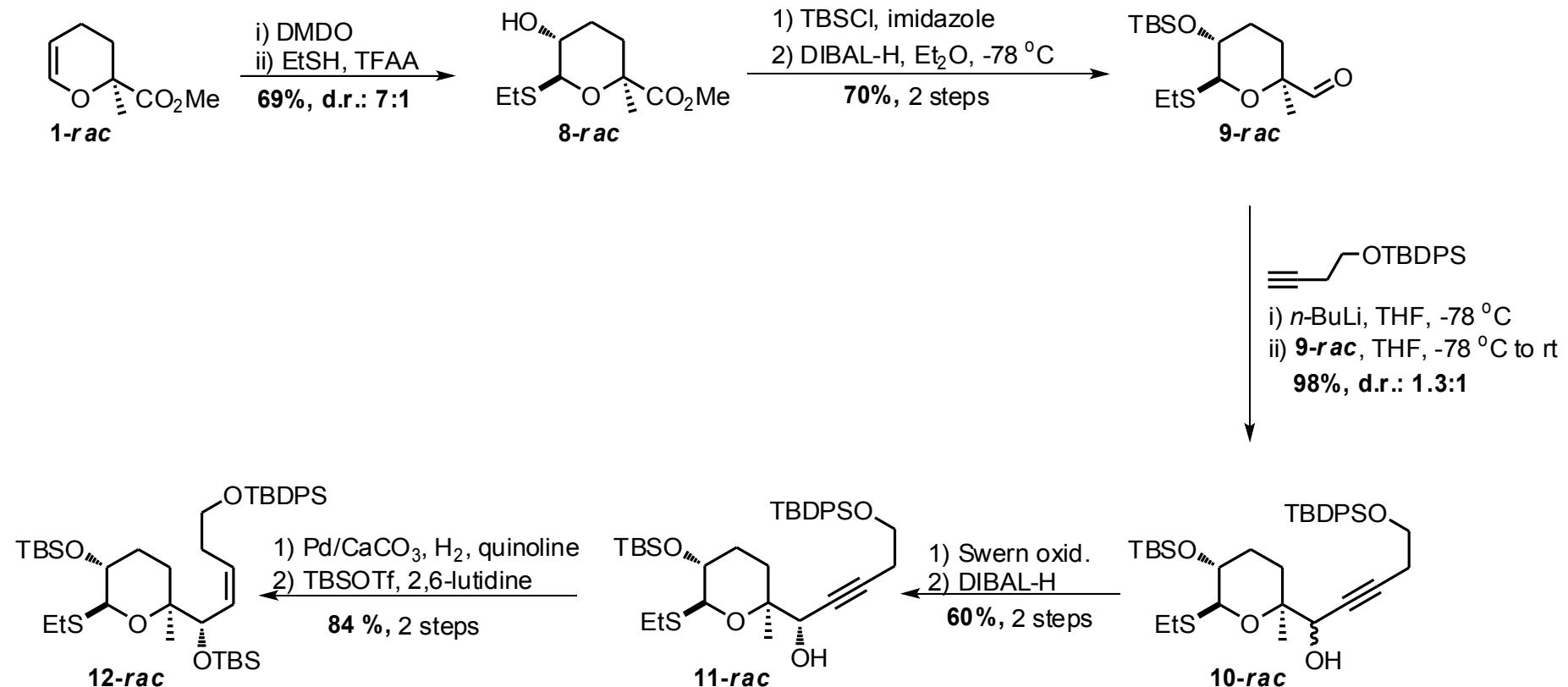
# Synthesis of the Prins-pinacol *rac*-precursors.



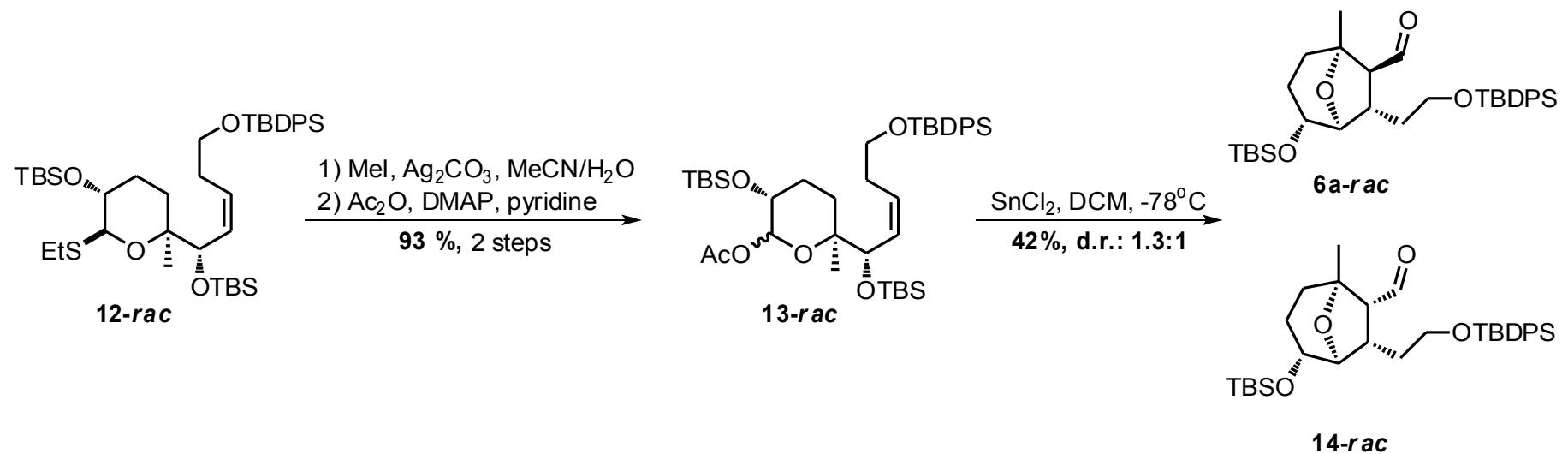
# Unexpected formation of the trans aldehydes



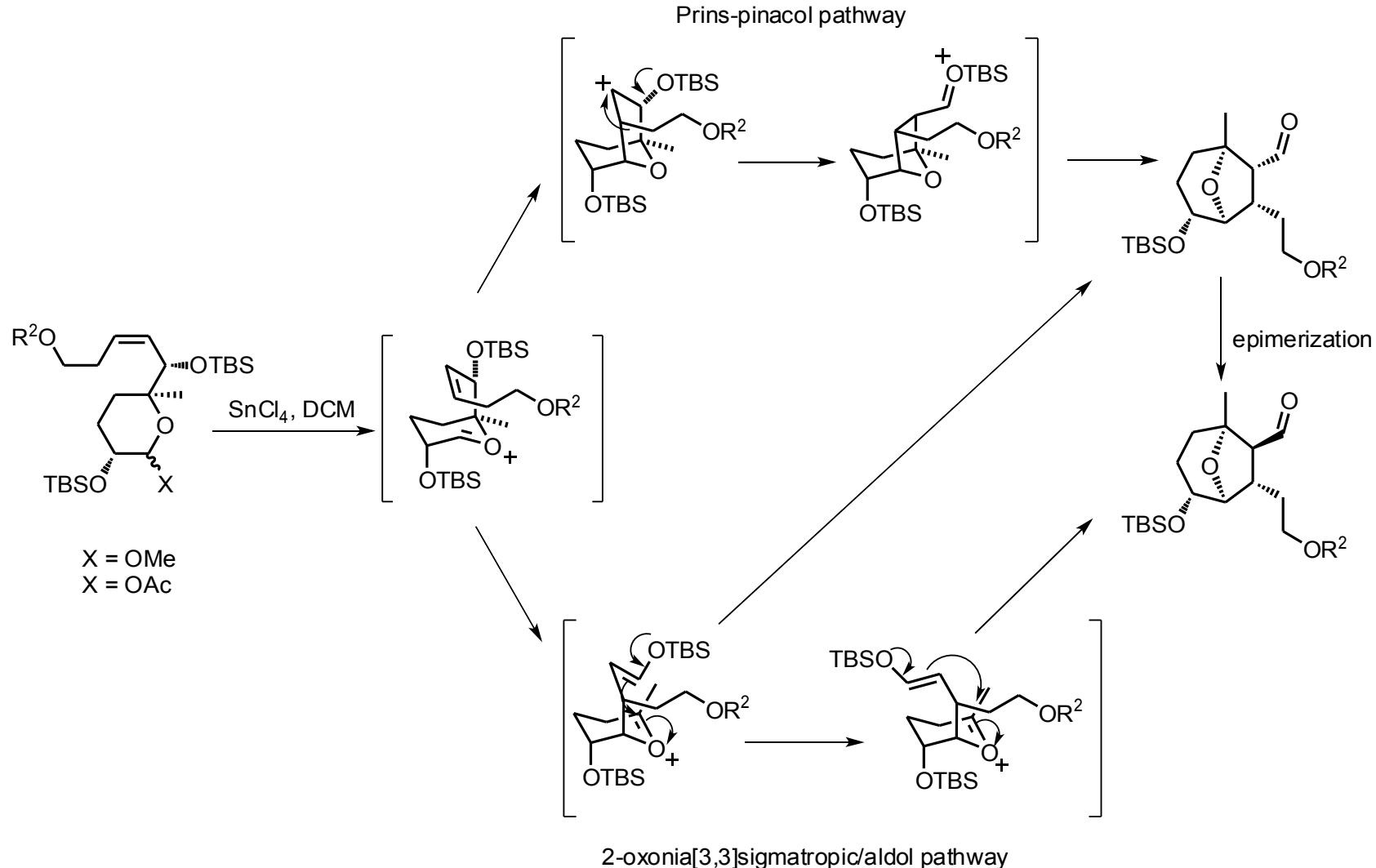
# Synthesis of the Prins-pinacol *rac*-glycosyl acetate.



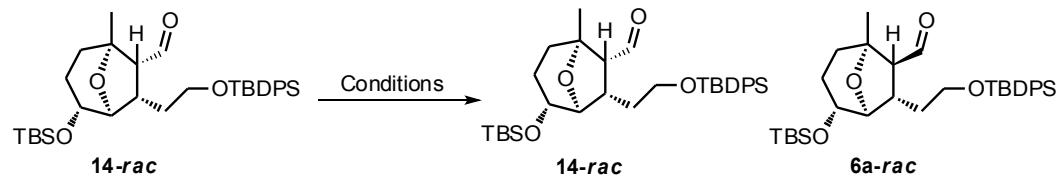
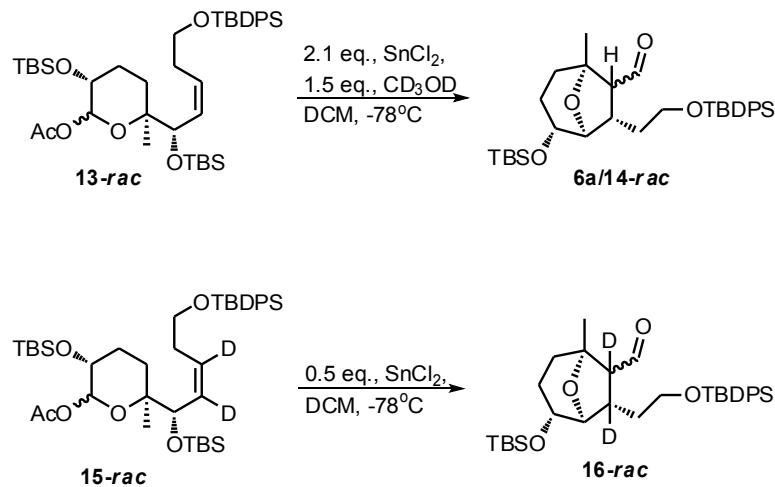
# Initiation of the Prins-pinacol cascade at low temperature from glycosyl acetate 13-rac



# Potential Prins-pinacol and 2-oxonia[3,3]sigmatropic/aldol pathways.



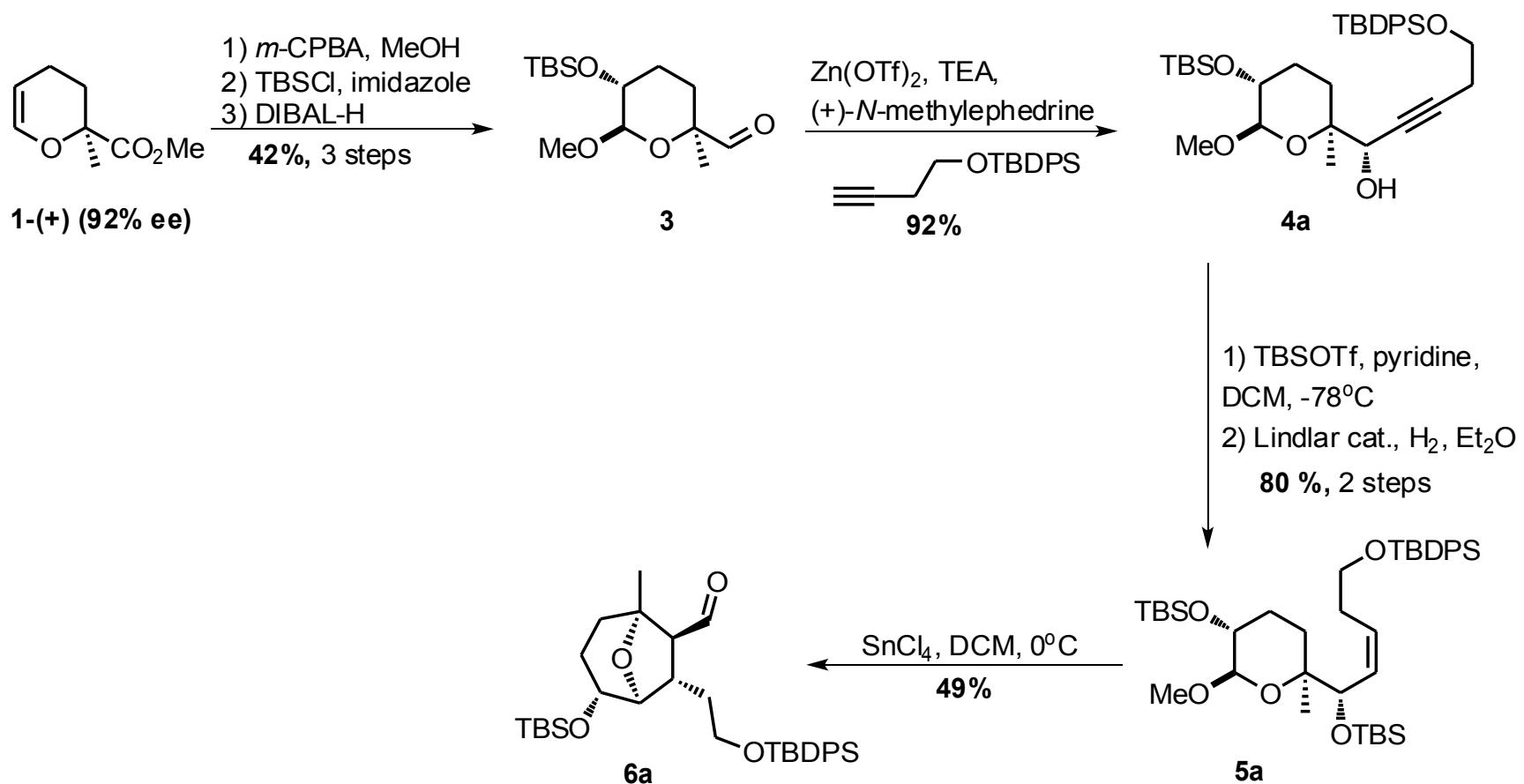
# Deuterium labeling experiments and epimerization of cis aldehyde epimer 14-rac under various reaction conditions



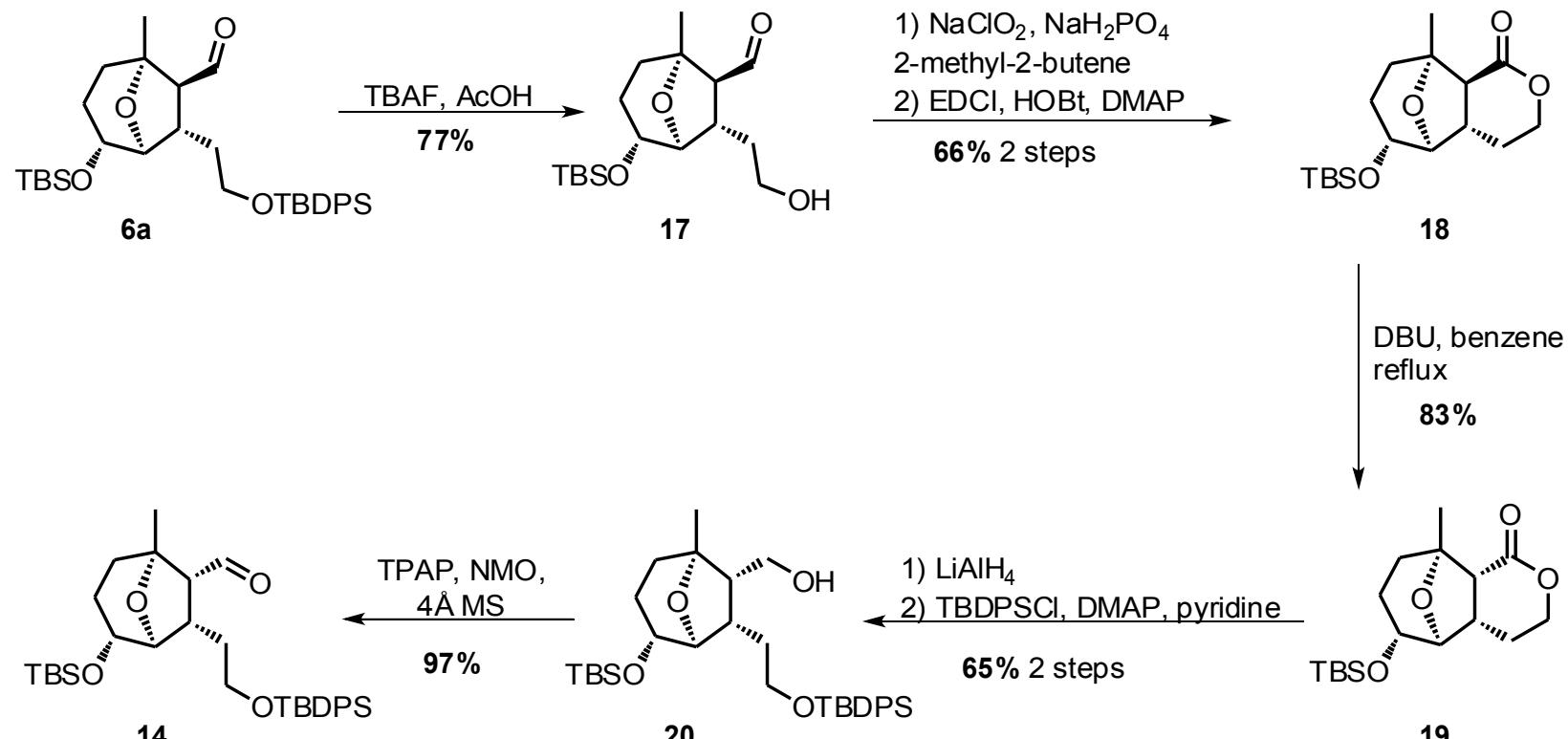
Entry	Conditions	cis	trans
1	BDU, toluene, r.t. 12 h	-	100%
2	TEA, DCM. $-78^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow$ r.t. 12 h	100%	-
3	0.5 eq. $\text{SnCl}_4$ , DCM, $-78^\circ\text{C}$ , 30 min	100%	-
4	0.5 eq. $\text{SnCl}_4$ , DCM, $0^\circ\text{C}$ , 15 min	34%	66%
5	0.15 eq. $\text{HN}(\text{ Tf})_2$ , DCM, $-78^\circ\text{C} \rightarrow 0^\circ\text{C}$ , 30 min	100%	-
6	0.15 eq. $\text{HN}(\text{ Tf})_2$ , DCM, $0^\circ\text{C}$ , 30 min	20%	80%

Ratio of cis/trans determined by integration of  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectra

# Synthesis of enantioenriched *trans*-8-oxabicyclooctyl aldehyde.

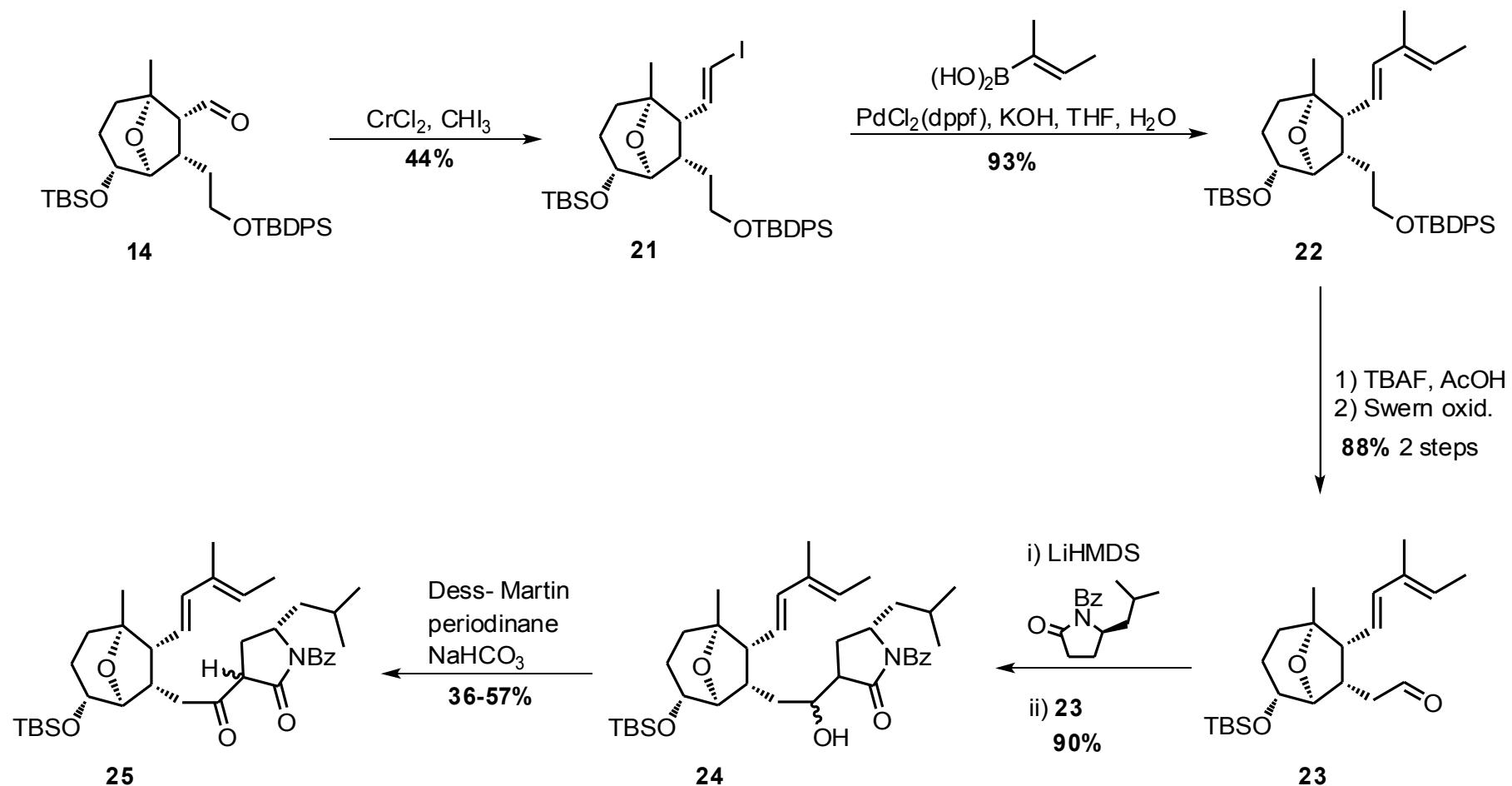


# Preparation of cis-8-oxabicyclooctyl aldehyde.

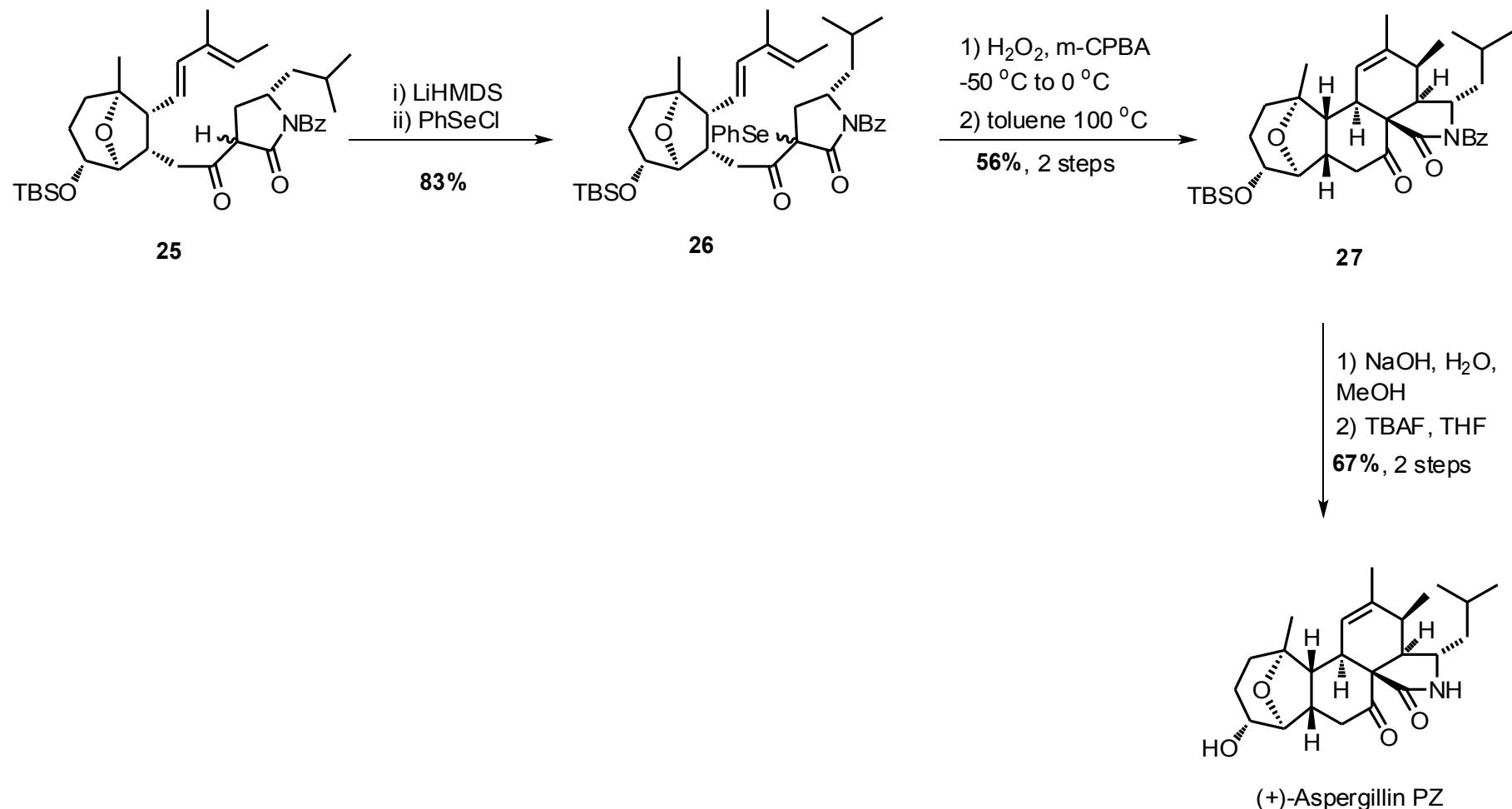


*cis*-aldehyde **14** in 27% overall  
yield from its *trans* epimer **6a**.

# Preparation of Diels-Alder precursor.



# Completion of the (+)-Aspergillin PZ.



# Conclusion.

Autors showed evidence that the cascade transformation can take place by a 2-oxonia[3,3]sigmatropic/aldol pathway as well as by the more common Prins-pinacol mechanism.

The (+)-Aspergillin PZ was synthesized in overall 0.23 % yield after 25 steps.

The syntetic sample of (+)-Aspergillin PZ was tested against two highly invasive tumor lines (A2058 melanoma and DU145 prostate cancer) and no useful activity ( $IC_{50} > 10 \mu M$ ) was found in either cell line.

