

Total Synthesis of the Caged Indole Alkaloid Arboridinine Enabled by aza-Prins and Metal-Mediated Cyclizations

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Indole Alkaloid Arboridinine from *Kopsia arborea* Blume

Arboridinine was isolated from *Kopsia arborea* Blume found in Malaysia by Kam and coworkers in 2015 (1.5 mg/kg plant material).

The plant is widely distributed in Southeast Asia, India, China, and Australia. It is a small tree up to 15-20 ft high with leathery leaves and white fragrant flowers followed by showy prune colored fruit.

It is used to treat edema with the extract of its bark and tonsillitis with its fruit and leaves.



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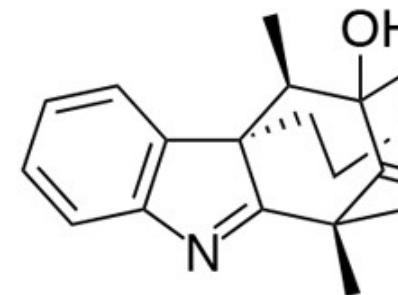
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Indole Alkaloid: Arboridinine

- The natural product possesses an unprecedented cage skeleton that includes multiple rings of varying individual size (6- and 7-membered, as well as an indolenine heterocycle).
- It also includes two all-carbon quaternary centers as well as a tertiary alcohol.
- Arboridinine did not show any appreciable cytotoxicity against both drug-sensitive as well as vincristine-resistant KB cells.
- It showed a moderate concentration dependent relaxation effect on phenylephrine-induced contraction in isolated rat aortic rings (EC_{50} $4.98 \mu\text{M}$, E_{max} $60.6 \pm 7.8\%$; cf. isoprenaline, EC_{50} $0.08 \mu\text{M}$, E_{max} $79.7 \pm 4.2\%$).



arboridinine

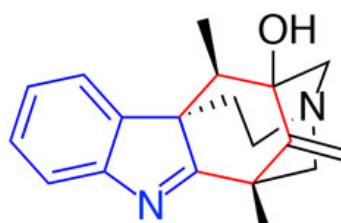
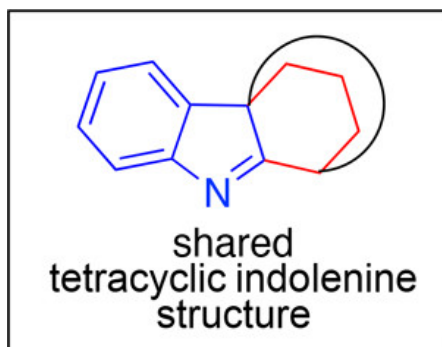
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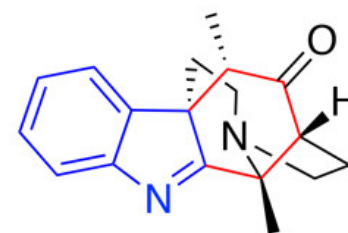
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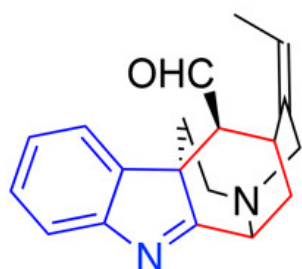
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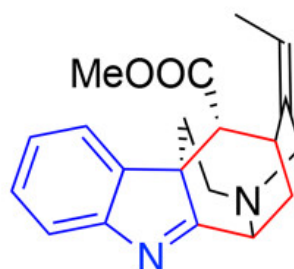
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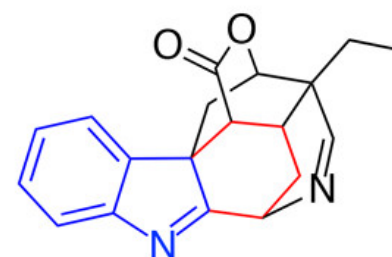
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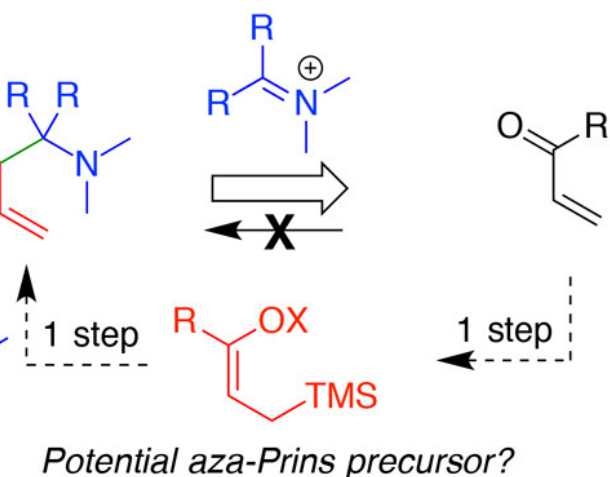
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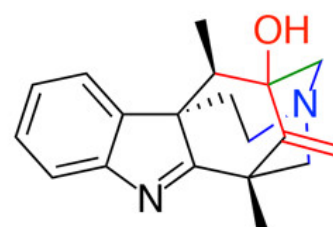
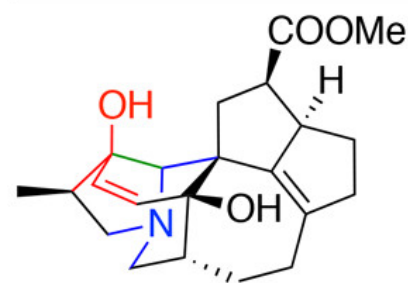
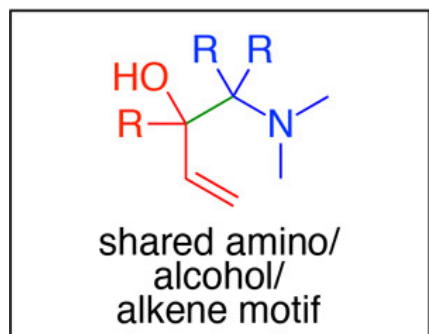
- Arboridinine has a tetracyclic indolenine structure also found in other Kopsia-derived alkaloids

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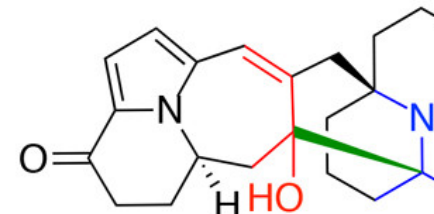


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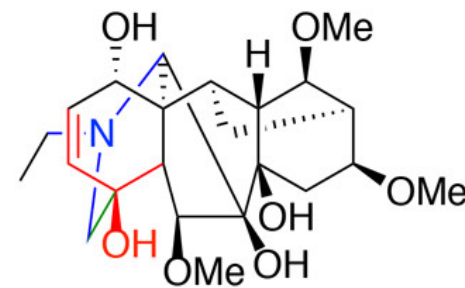
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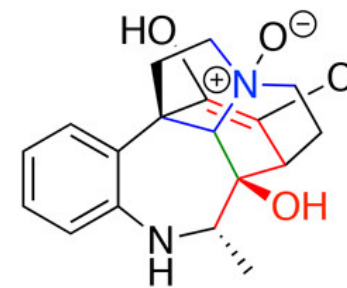
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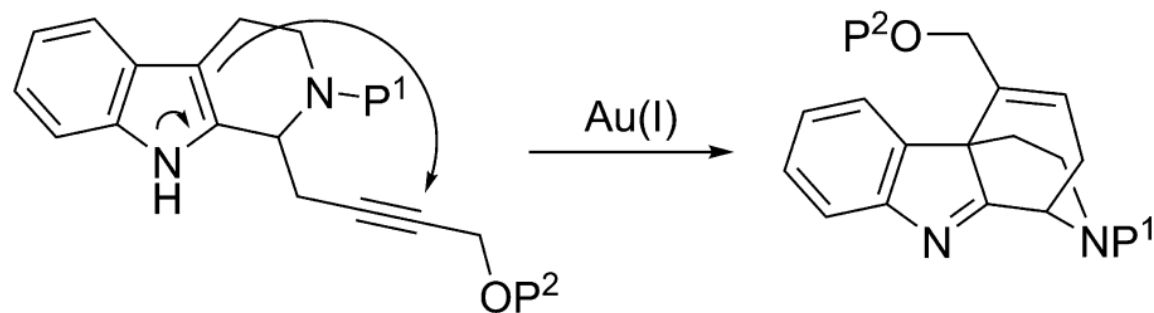
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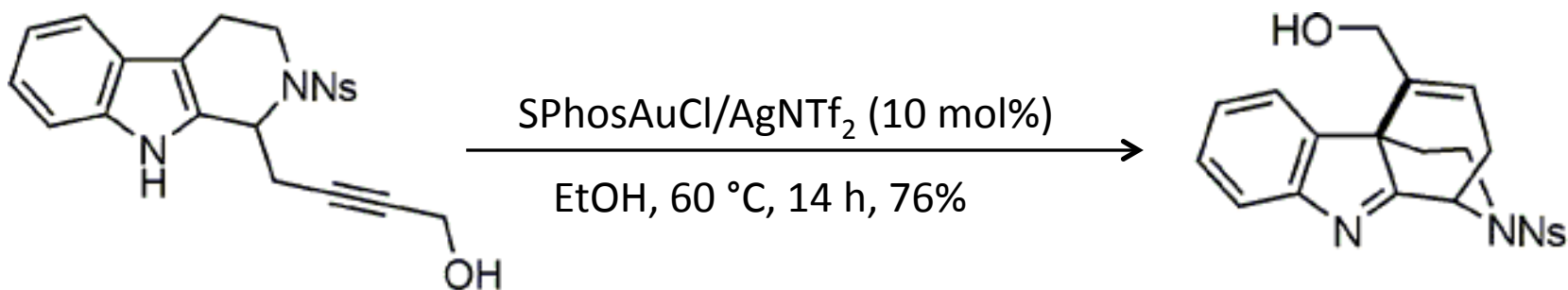
9: kopsiyunnanine

- Shared patterning of the alkene, tertiary alcohol and neighboring amine a potential construction via an aza-Prins reaction.

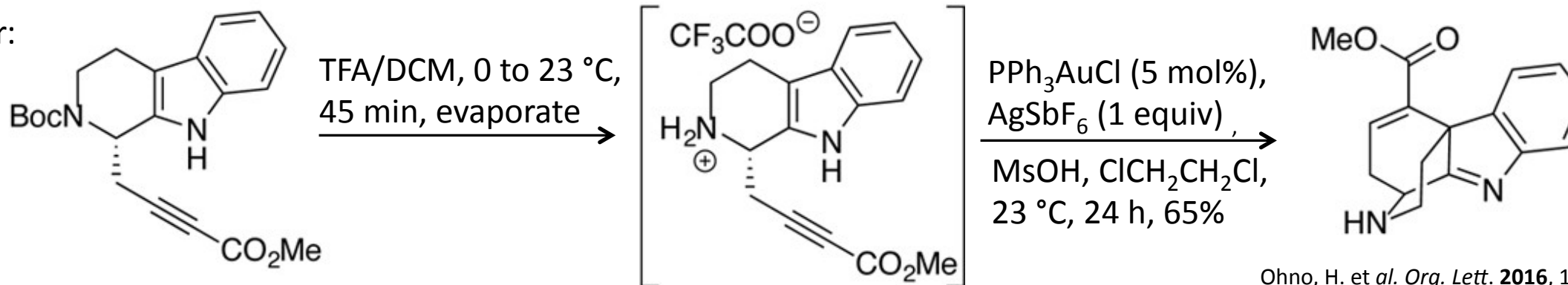
Gold-catalyzed 6-endo-dig Cyclization



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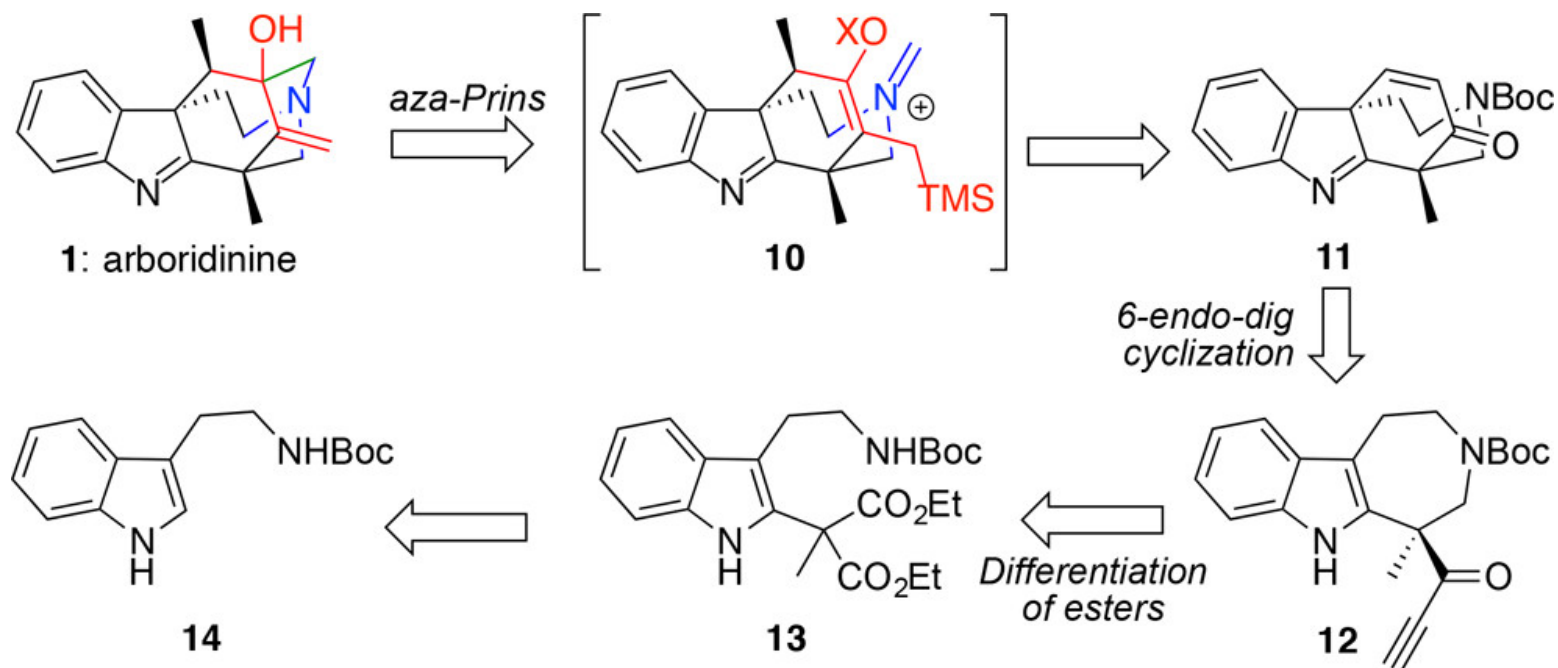


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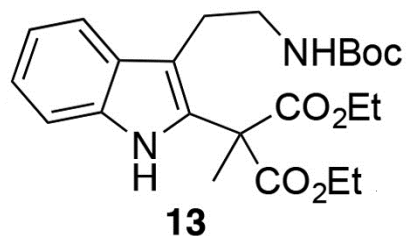
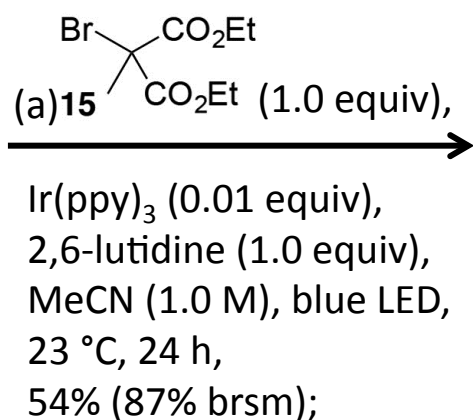
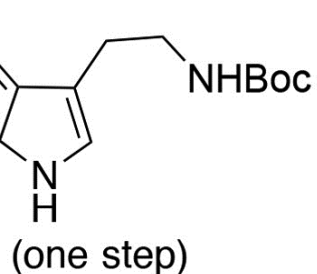
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Retrosynthetic Analysis of Arboridinine Based on Two Key Cyclizations



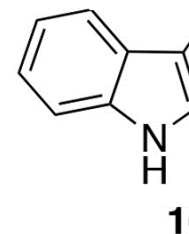
- The particular cyclization strategy requires the synthesis of one of the 7-membered rings early in the sequence.
- The synthesis of 7-membered ring in an asymmetric manner requires the differentiation of the two esters within a precursor such as **13**.

Syntheses of Aldehyde **16** in Racemic Formats

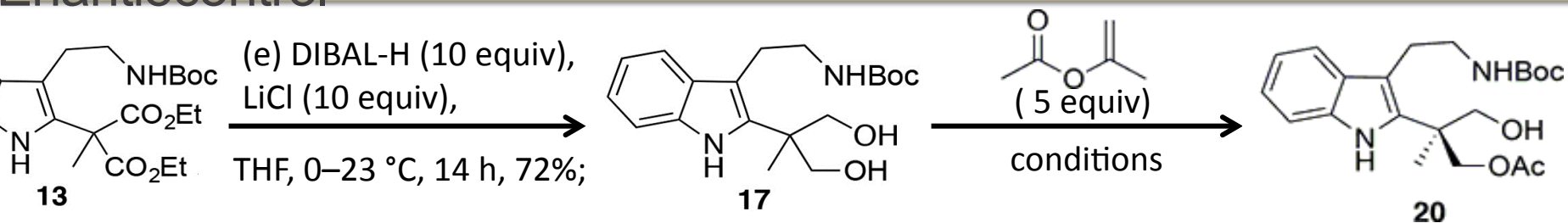


(b) CH₂Cl₂/TFA (2/1), 23 °C, 30 min,
then concentrate, K₂CO₃ (9.0 equiv),
EtOH/MeOH (2/1, 0.05 M), 23 °C, 3 h,
83%;

(c) LiAlH₄ (10.0 equiv), THF (0.04 M),
0 °C, 0.5 h, then 45 °C, 4 h;
(d) Boc₂O (1.1 equiv), CH₂Cl₂ (0.04 M),
23 °C, 1 h, then DMSO (0.18 M),
IBX (3.0 equiv), 23 °C, 18 h, 70%
over two steps;



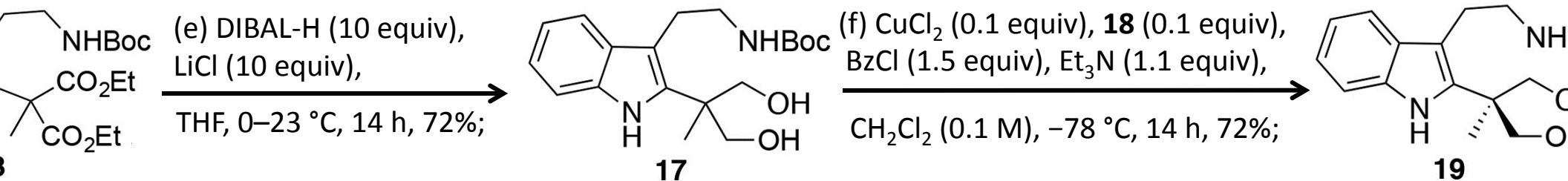
Screening of Conditions To Achieve the Mono-acetylation of Diol **17** with Enantiocontrol



entry	conditions	conversion (%) ^{a,b}	ee (%) ^c
1	<i>Candida cylindrica</i> lipase, EtOAc, 40 °C, 48 h	NR	
2	<i>Pseudomonas cepacia</i> lipase, EtOAc, 40 °C, 48 h	NR	
3	<i>Pseudomonas fluorescens</i> lipase, EtOAc, 40 °C, 48 h	NR	
4	pig liver esterase, EtOAc, 40 °C, 48 h	NR	
5	porcine pancreatin, EtOAc, 40 °C, 48 h	NR	
6	<i>Candida antarctica</i> lipase, EtOAc, 23 °C, 24 h	NR	
7	<i>Candida antarctica</i> lipase, EtOAc, 40 °C, 216 h	39	34
8	<i>Candida antarctica</i> lipase, EtOAc, 40 °C, 48 h	10–20	60
9	<i>Candida antarctica</i> lipase, EtOAc, 80 °C, 24 h	50	20
10	<i>Candida antarctica</i> lipase, THF, 40–60 °C, 48 h	<10	ND
11	<i>Candida antarctica</i> lipase, CH ₂ Cl ₂ , 40–60 °C, 48 h	<10	ND
12	<i>Candida antarctica</i> lipase, pH 7.4 phosphate buffer, 40–60 °C, 48 h	NR	

- a For all but entry 7, the given reflects conversion of product based on NMR analysis; in the case of entry 7, an isolated yield was obtained.
- b NR = no reaction.
- c ND = not determined.

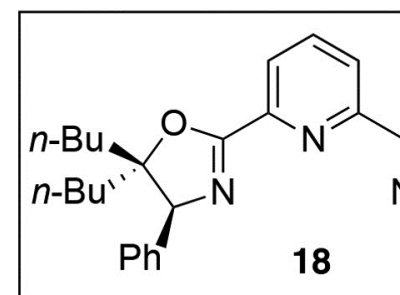
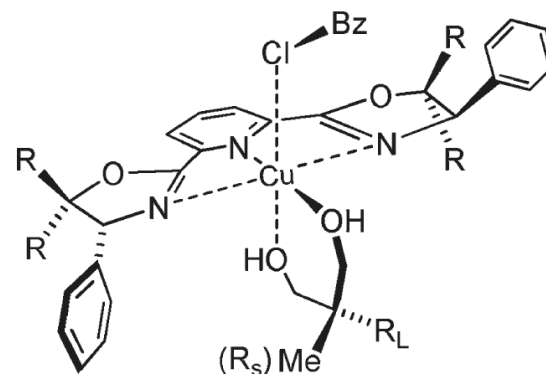
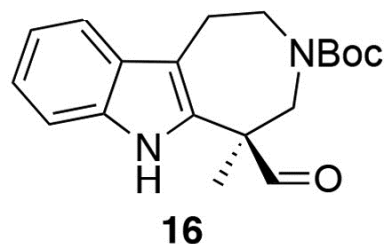
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5 equiv), DMSO (0.15 M),

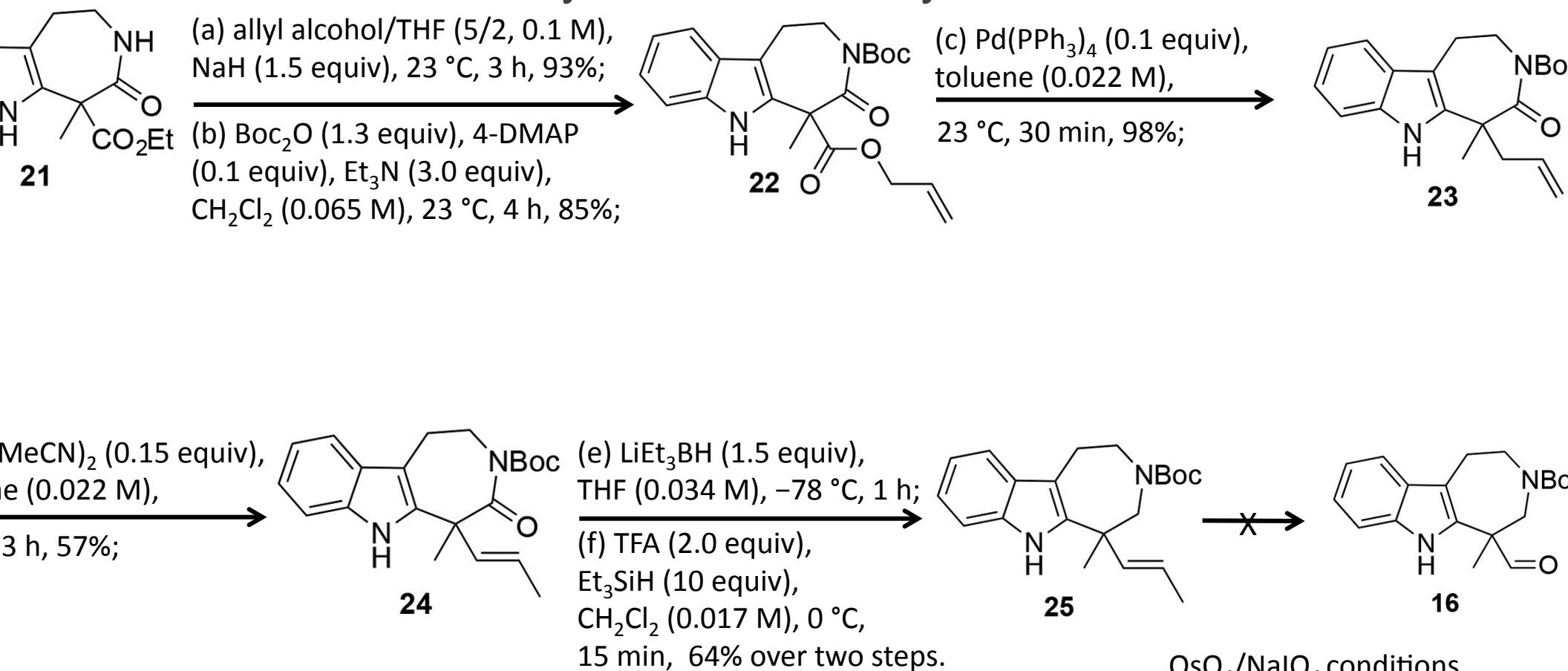
(2.5 equiv), TFA (0.85 equiv), 0.1 M), 0–23 °C, 18 h, 68%
steps, 96% ee;

5.0 equiv), MeOH (0.1 M), 0.1 M), 23 °C, 0.75 h;
equiv), DMSO (0.1 M), 23 °C, 18 h, 68%
1% over two steps.

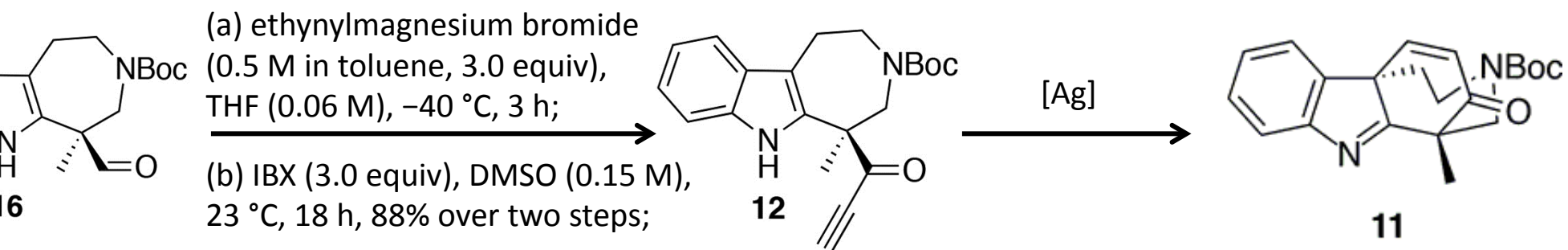


Explorations into a Potential Tsuji–Trost Allylation Strategy To Achieve an Alternate

Synthesis of Aldehyde **16**



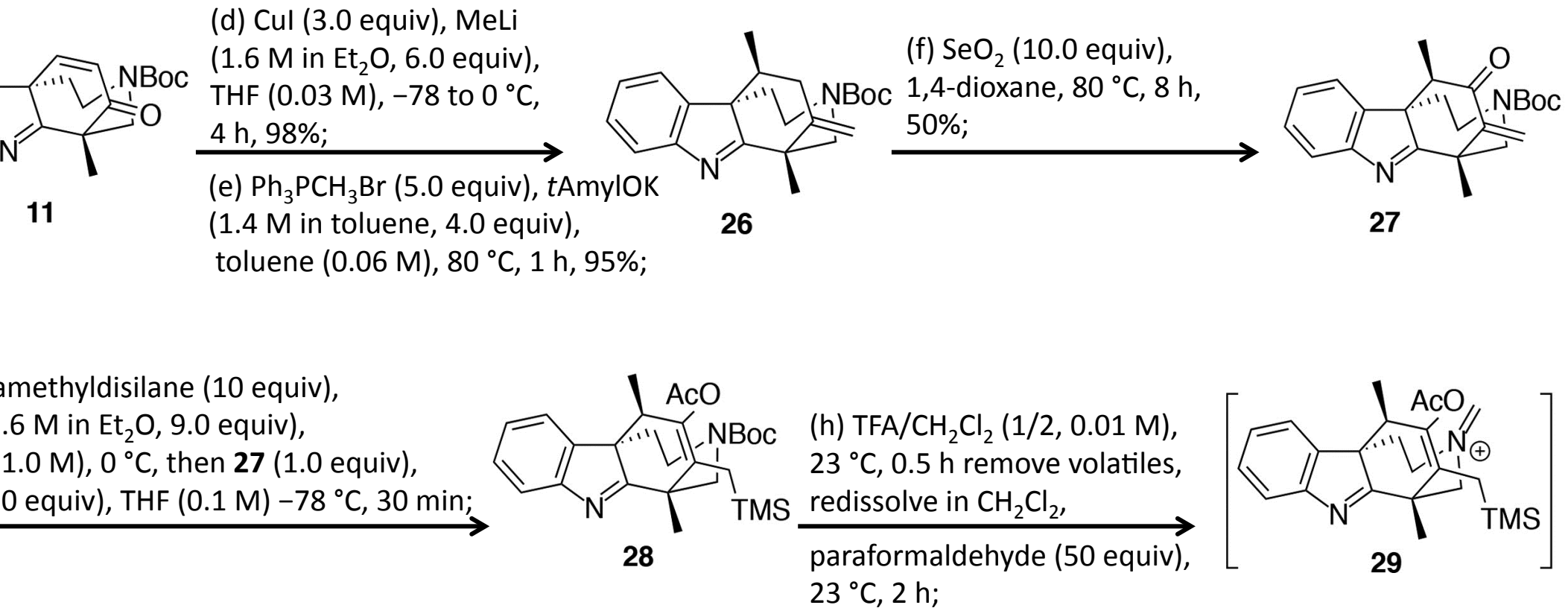
Screening of Conditions for the Ag-Based 6-endo-Dig Cyclization of **12** To Generate Polycycle **11**



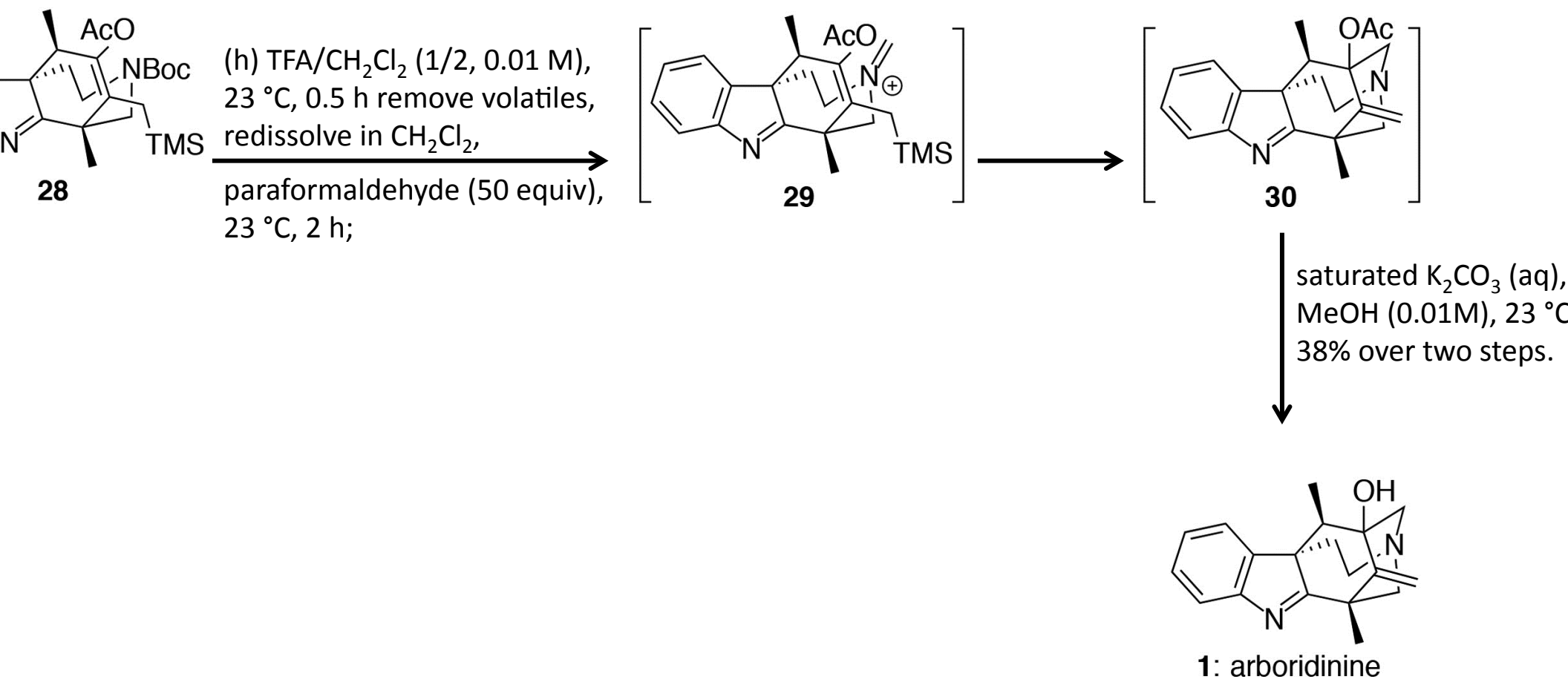
Ag salt	conditions ^a	yield (%)
AgBF ₄	(1 equiv), CH ₂ Cl ₂ , 0 °C, 20 min	63
AgBF ₄	(0.1 equiv), THF, 25 °C, 15 h	57
AgBF ₄	(0.1 equiv), EtOH, 25 °C, 15 h	41
AgBF ₄	(0.1 equiv), iPrOH, 25 °C, 15 h	74
AgBF ₄	(0.1 equiv), TFE, 0 °C, 2 h	75
AgBF ₄	(0.1 equiv), HFIP, 0 °C, 1 h	40
AgOTf	(0.1 equiv), TFE, 0 °C, 1 h	66
AgNTf ₂	(0.1 equiv), TFE, 0 °C, 1 h	59
AgOAc	(0.1 equiv), TFE, 0 °C, 1 h	56

- a The reaction temperature and time reflect the temperature and time needed for full consumption of the starting material. HFIP = hexafluoroisopropanol.

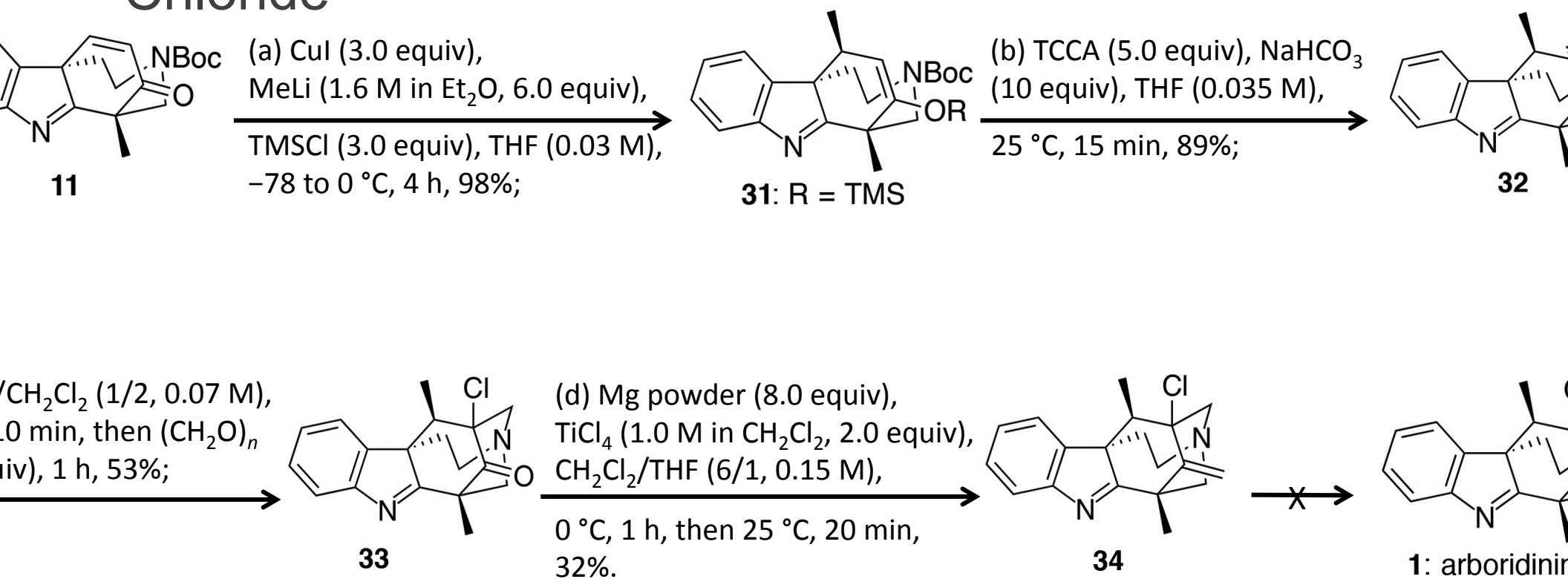
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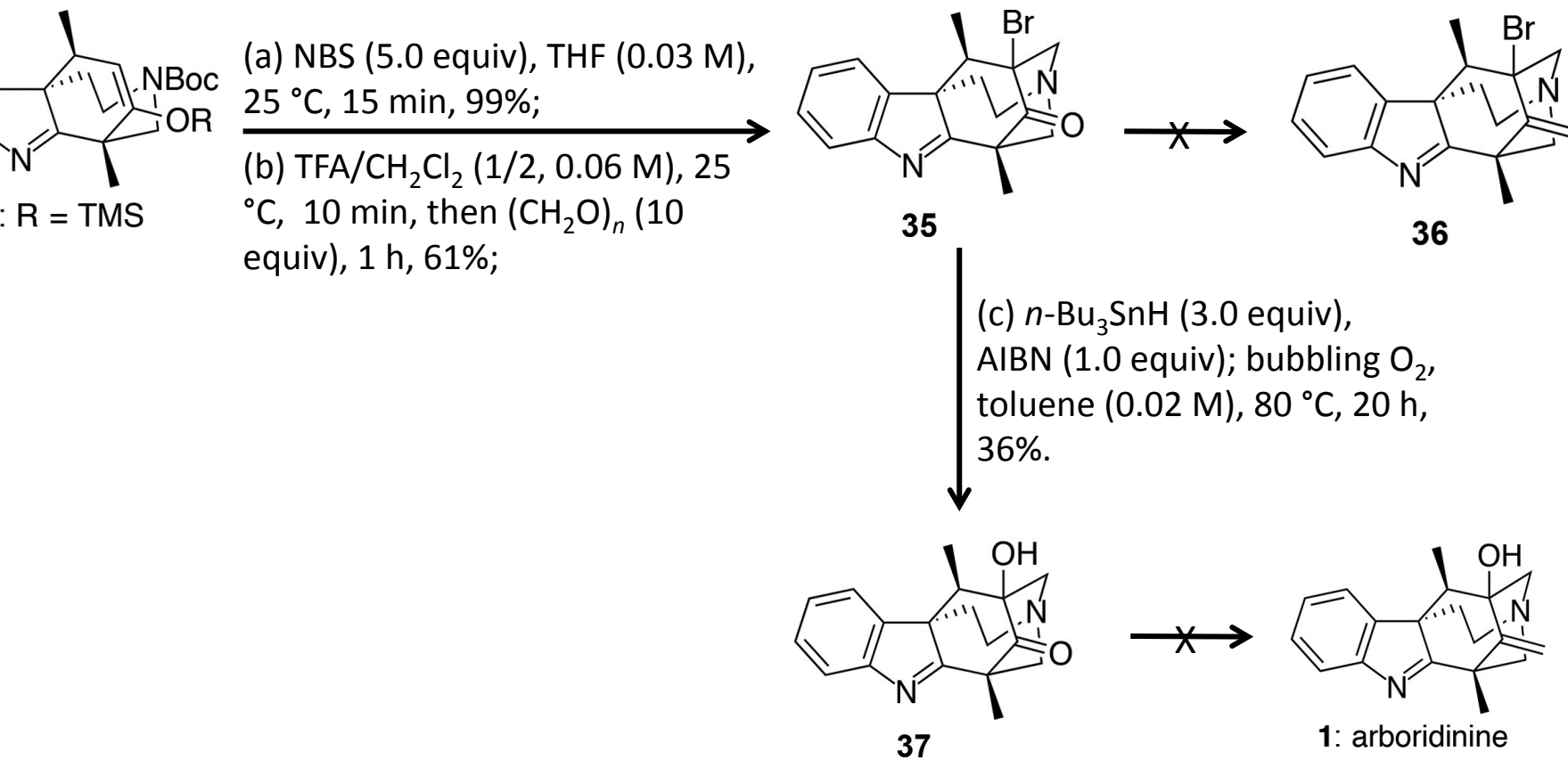
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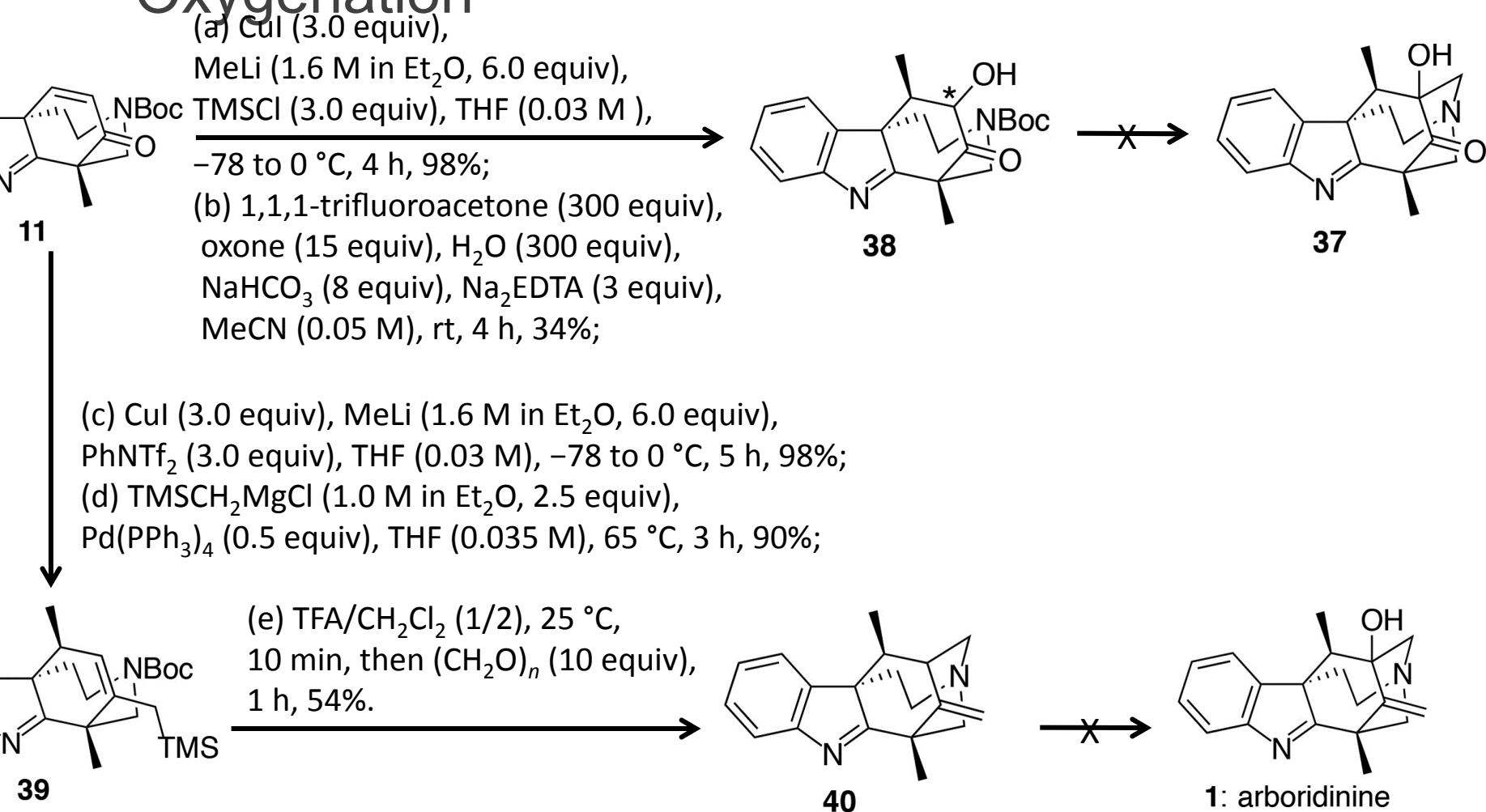
Other Iminium-Based Cyclization Strategies-Tertiary Chloride



Other Iminium-Based Cyclization Strategies-Tertiary Bromide



Other Iminium-Based Cyclization Strategies-Direct Oxygenation



Conclusion

Concise synthesis of the unique alkaloid arboridinine was developed with a number of chemoselective reactions and critical cyclization chemistries inspired by searching for elements of structural homology with other alkaloid targets.

The terminating aza-Prins cyclization proved critical to establishing the full array of functionality of the target, and new scope in terms of metal-mediated 6-*endo*-dig cyclizations was also covered.

