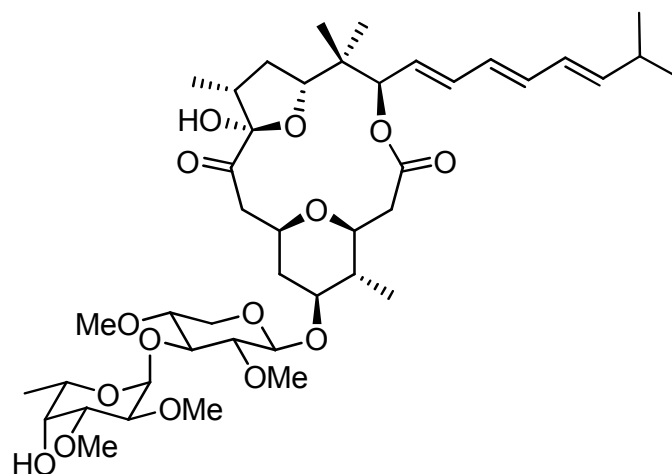


Polycavernoside A: The Prins Macrocyclization Approach

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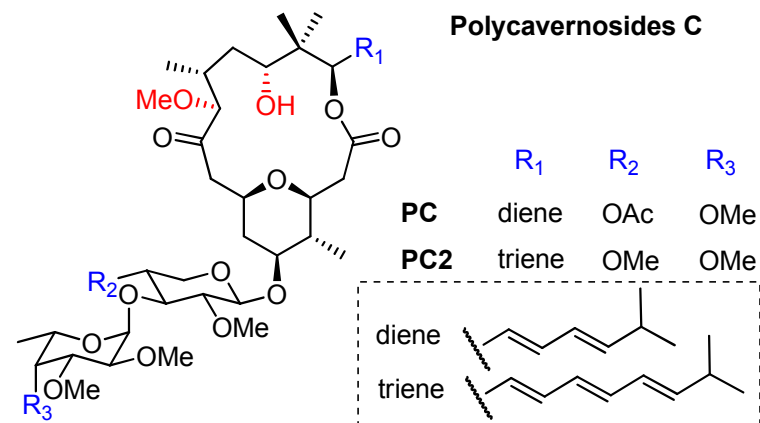
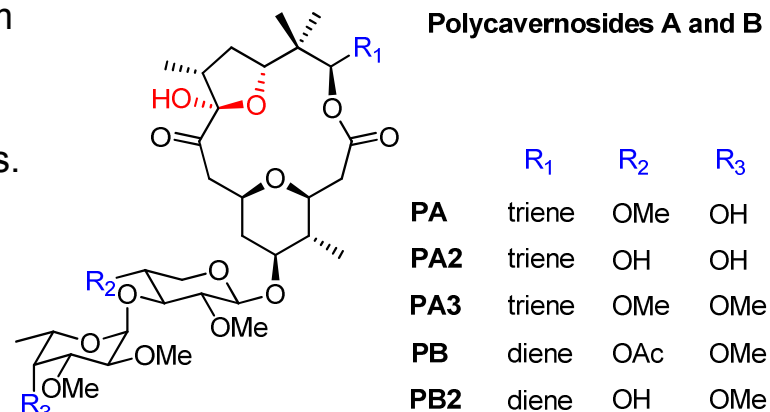
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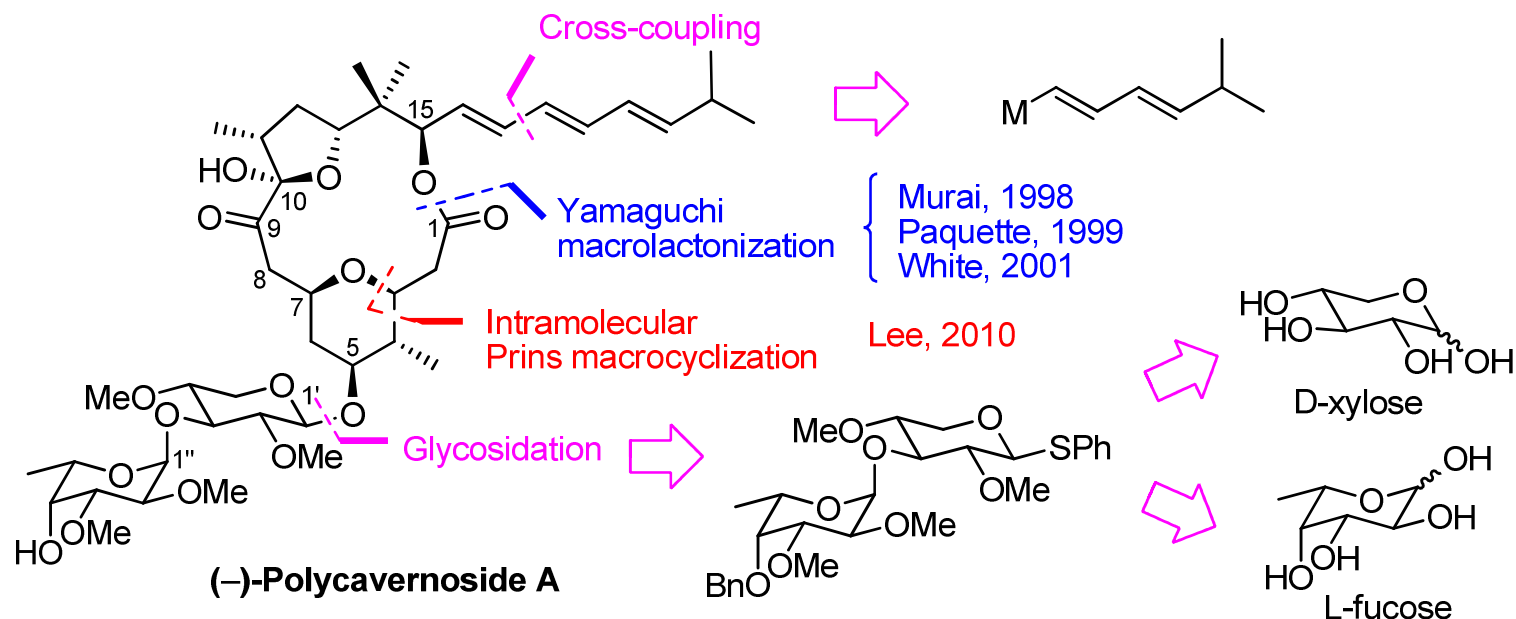
- Isolated by Yasumoto from the edible red alga *Polycavernosa tsudai* in Guam in 1991.
- Responsible for sudden and fatal human intoxication in Guam in 1991 and in the Philippines in 2002.
- Symptoms: gastrointestinal (vomiting, diarrhea) and neurological (scratching, muscle spasms, paralysis) disorders.
- Cyanobacterial origin speculated.
- Group of macrolides with:
 - structurally unique 13-membered central lactone ring
 - disaccharide and trienyl side chains.
- Polycavernoside A analogs also isolated:
- Estimated LD₉₉ in mice (ip) of PA and PB: 200-400 µg/kg.
- SAR: macrocyclic core and *i*Pr-polyene side chain required for high toxicity.
- Hydrolysis of the disaccharide in the stomach would deliver the aglycone bioactive form.
- Postulated mechanism of action: triggers an initial extracellular calcium entry into the cytosol, resulting in membrane depolarization.



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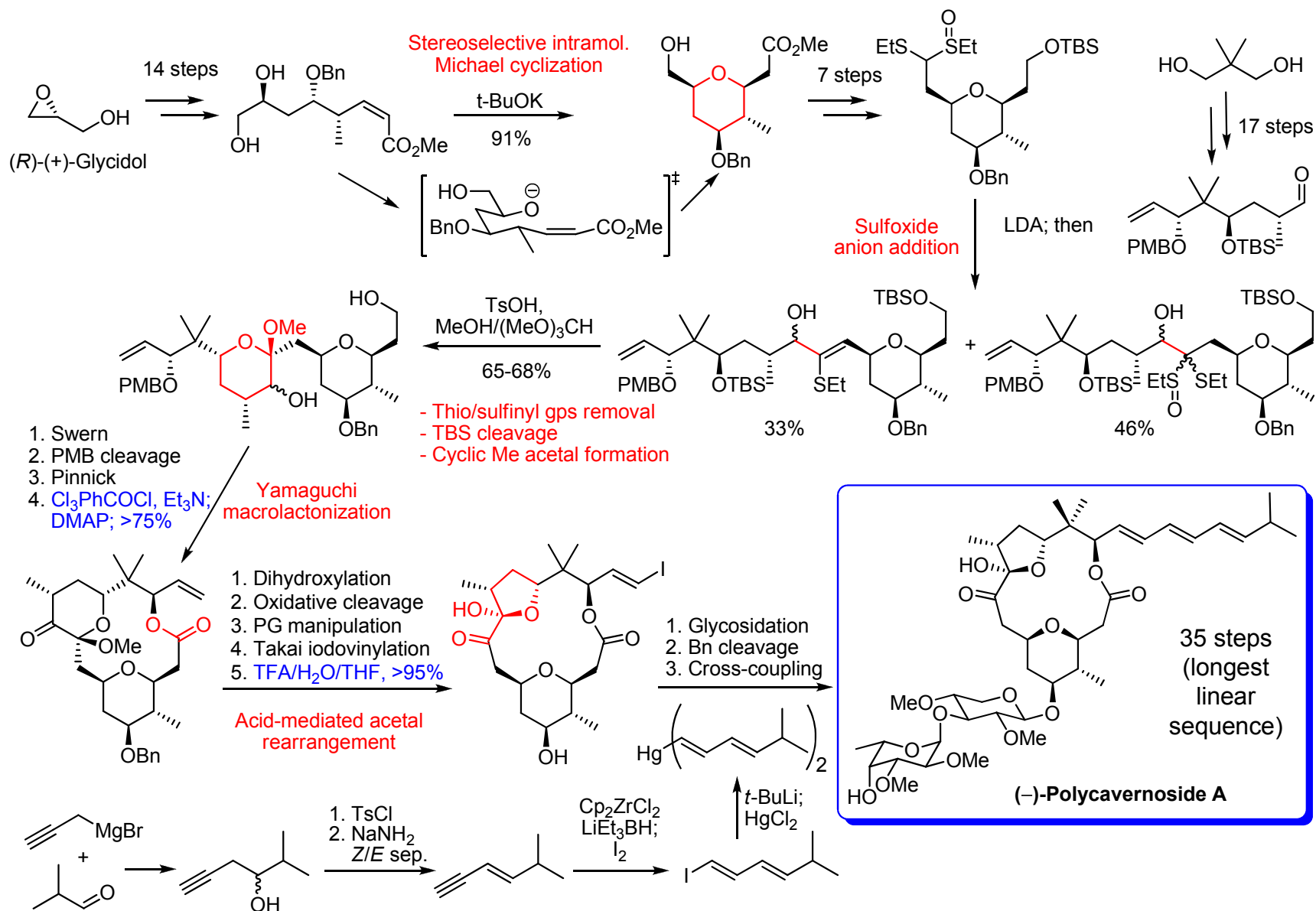
Polycavernoside A: Structure Determination & Synthesis

- Yasumoto (1993): determination (1D/2D NMR) of the partial relative structure of:
 - each sugar component,
 - bottom (C1-C8) and upper (C9-C15) halves of the macrolactone part.
- Murai (1995): determination (synthetically) of the relative configuration of the sequence of the fucose-xylose bottom half of the macrolactone.
- Murai (1998): 1st total synthesis & determination of the absolute configuration.



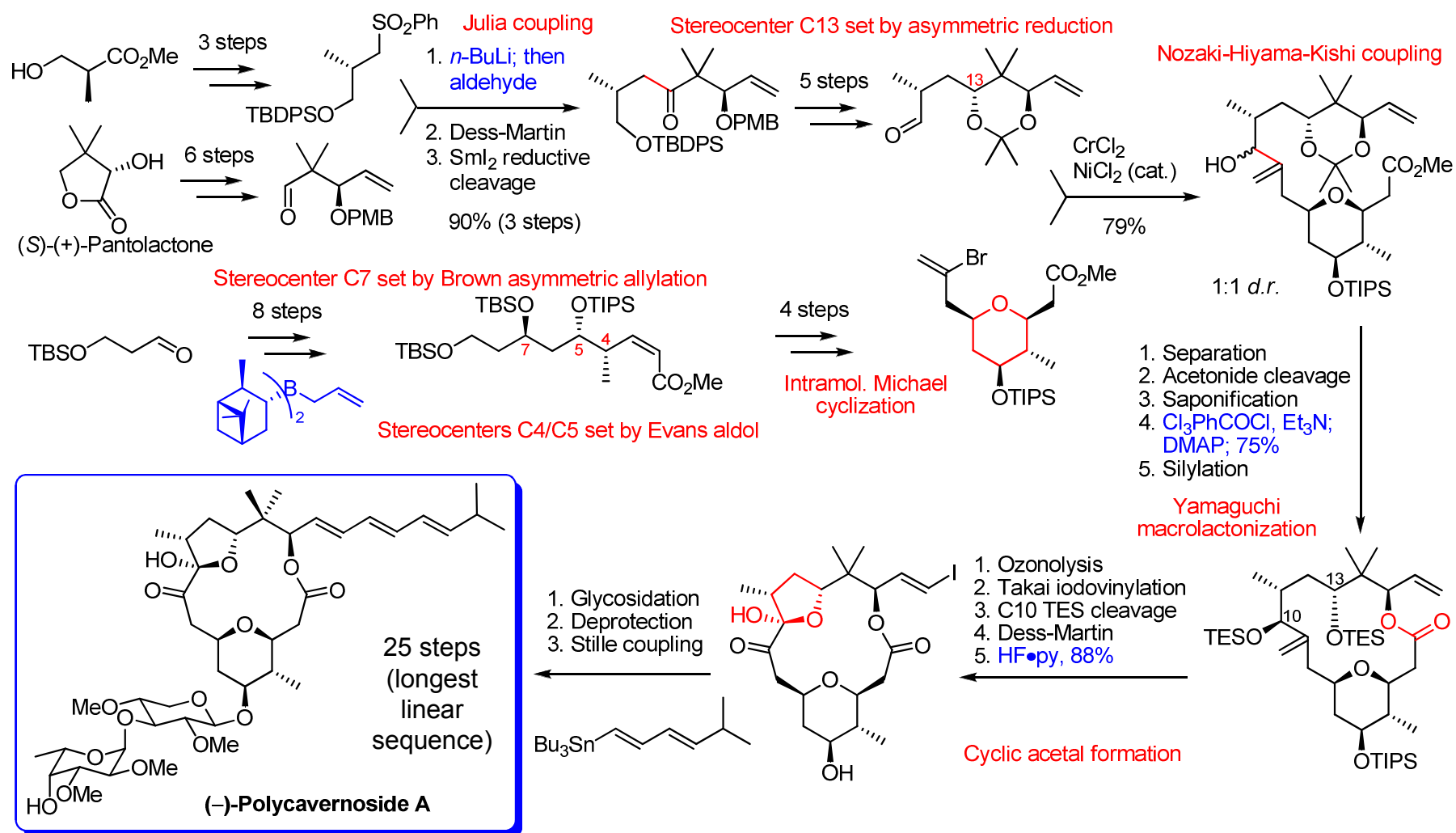
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(-)-Polycavernoside A: Murai's synthesis (1998)



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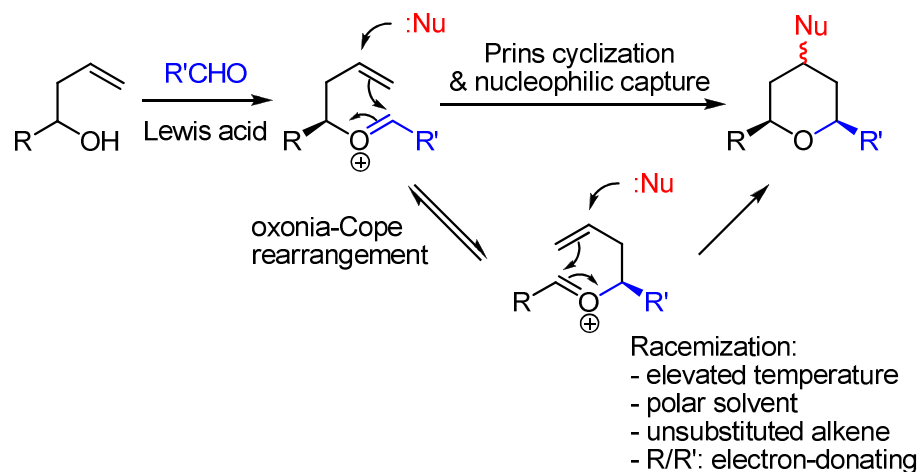
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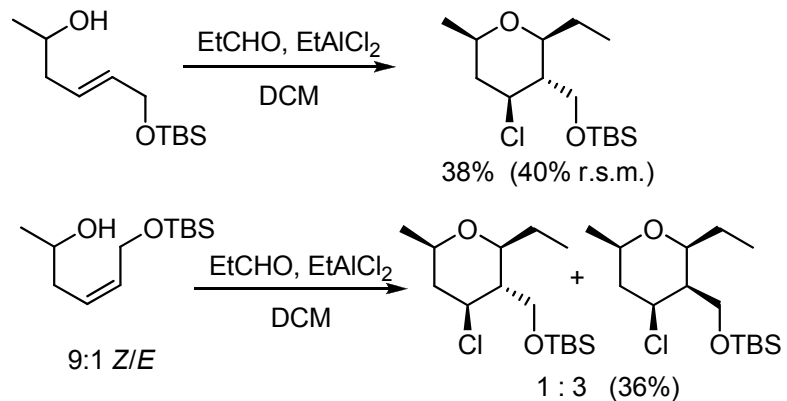
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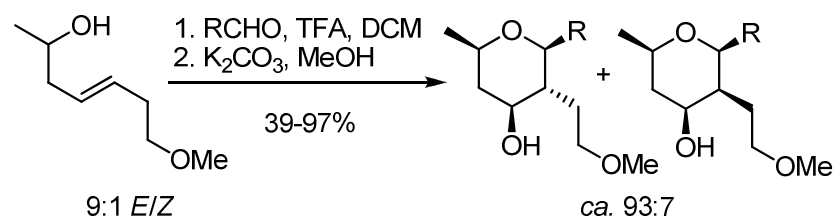
Prins cyclization vs competing oxonia-Cope rearrangement



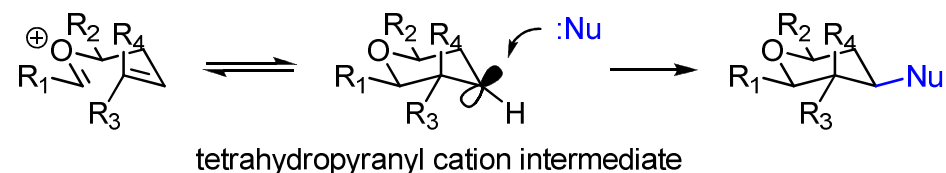
Cyclization of (*E*)- and (*Z*)-Homoallylic Alcohols



Stereochemical outcome for Prins cyclizations



Excellent stereocontrol.
All the substituents in the equatorial position.



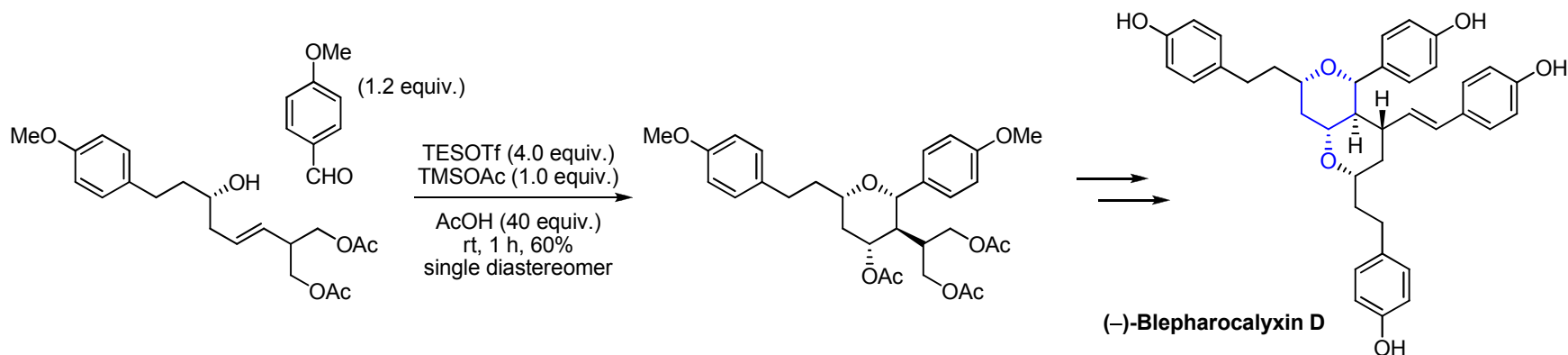
Selectivity of nucleophilic capture at C4 dependent on reactivity:

- Highly reactive nucleophile (e.g.: Br⁻) and electrophile: axial attack
- Less reactive nucleophile (e.g.: AcO⁻, TFA⁻) and electrophile: equatorial attack

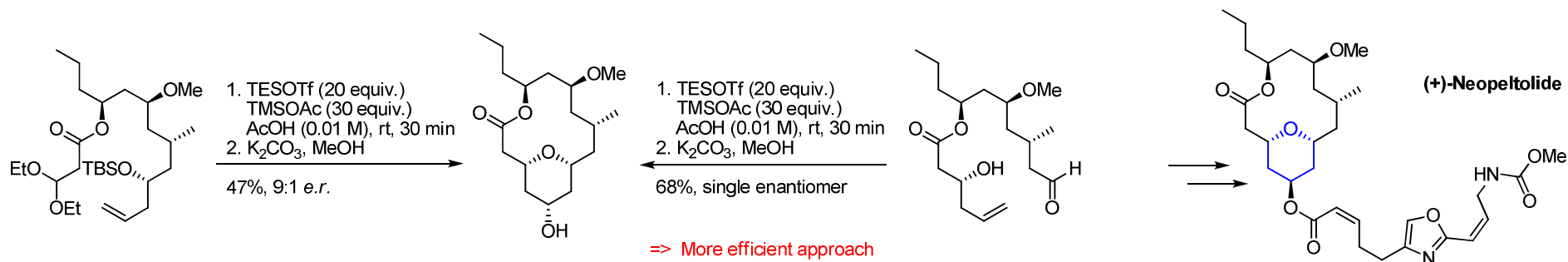
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The Prins Reaction: Application in Total Synthesis

- Application in the total synthesis of (–)-Blepharocalyxin D (Lee, 2007)
 - Optimization of the conditions of Willis & coworkers

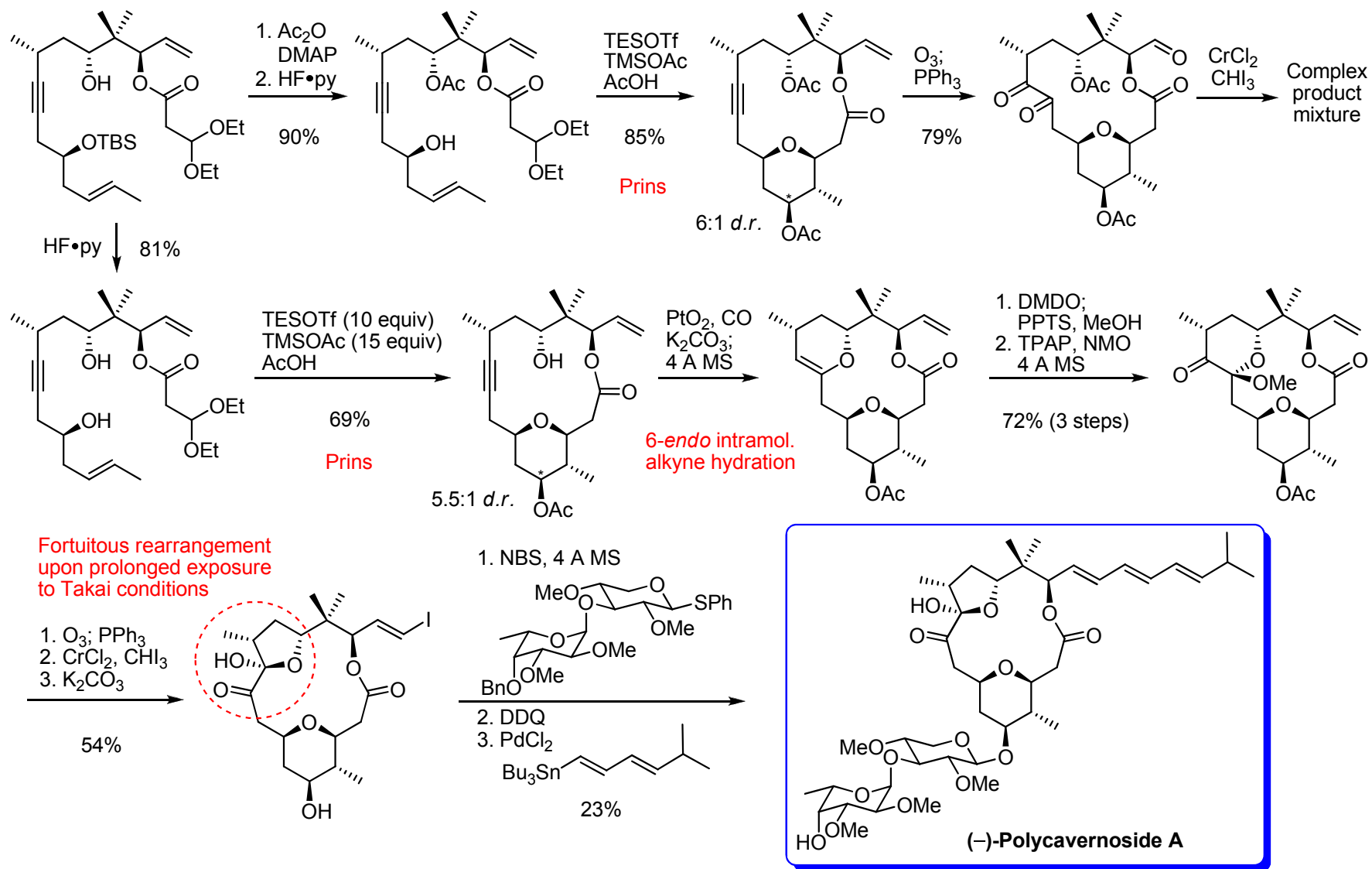


- Application of the intramolecular Prins macrocyclization in the total synthesis of (+)-Neopeltolide (Lee, 2008)



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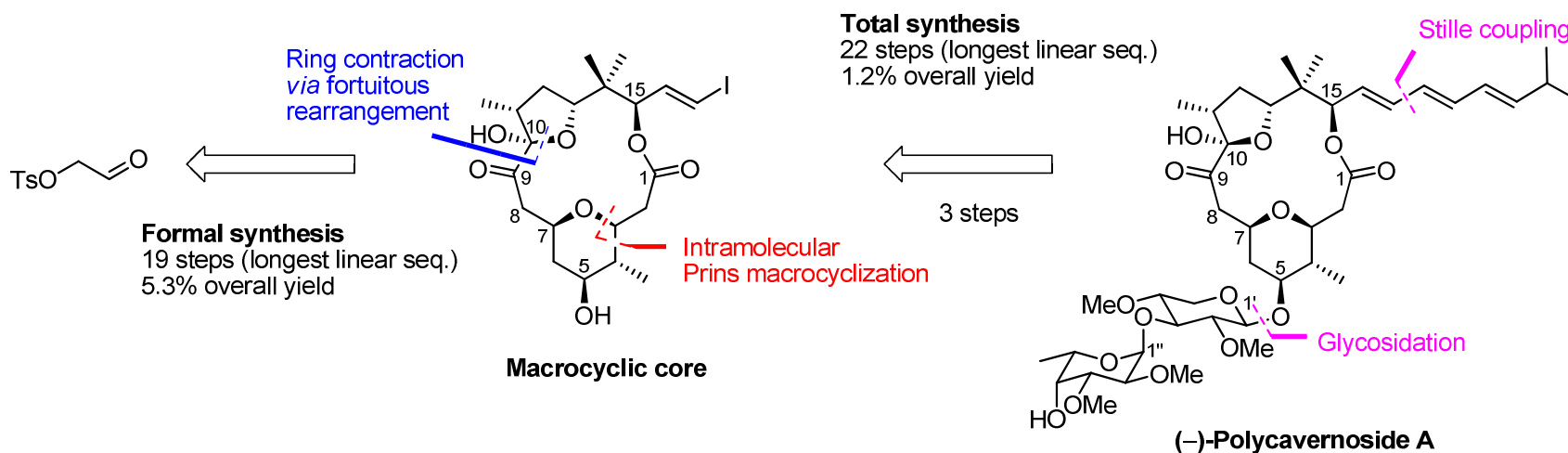
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Conclusion and Perspectives

- Novel approach for the total synthesis of (–)-Polycavernoside A.
- Use of a Prins macrocyclization strategy to build chemical complexity in a single step:
 - 2 new rings
 - 3 new stereocenters



- Comparison of synthetic routes to the macrocycle:

	Murai	Paquette	White	Lee
Longest linear sequence (steps)	32	29	22	19
Overall yield (%)	2.6	1.5	4.7	5.3

- Perspectives: further applications of the Prins macrocyclization strategy in the synthesis of complex natural products.