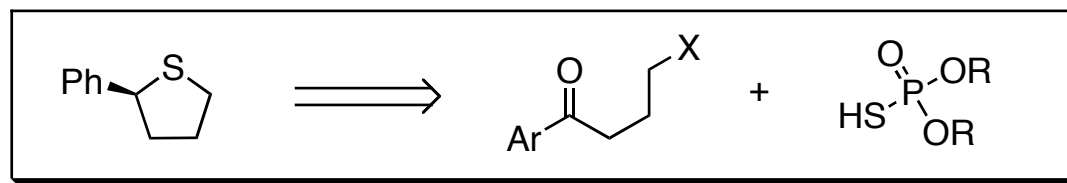


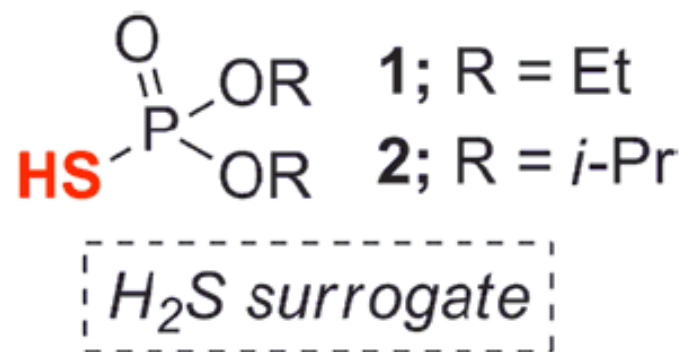
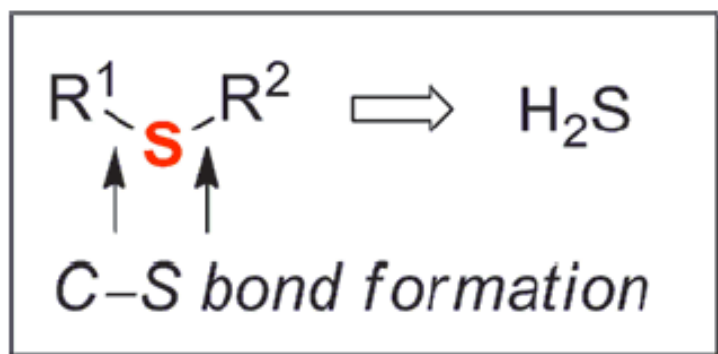
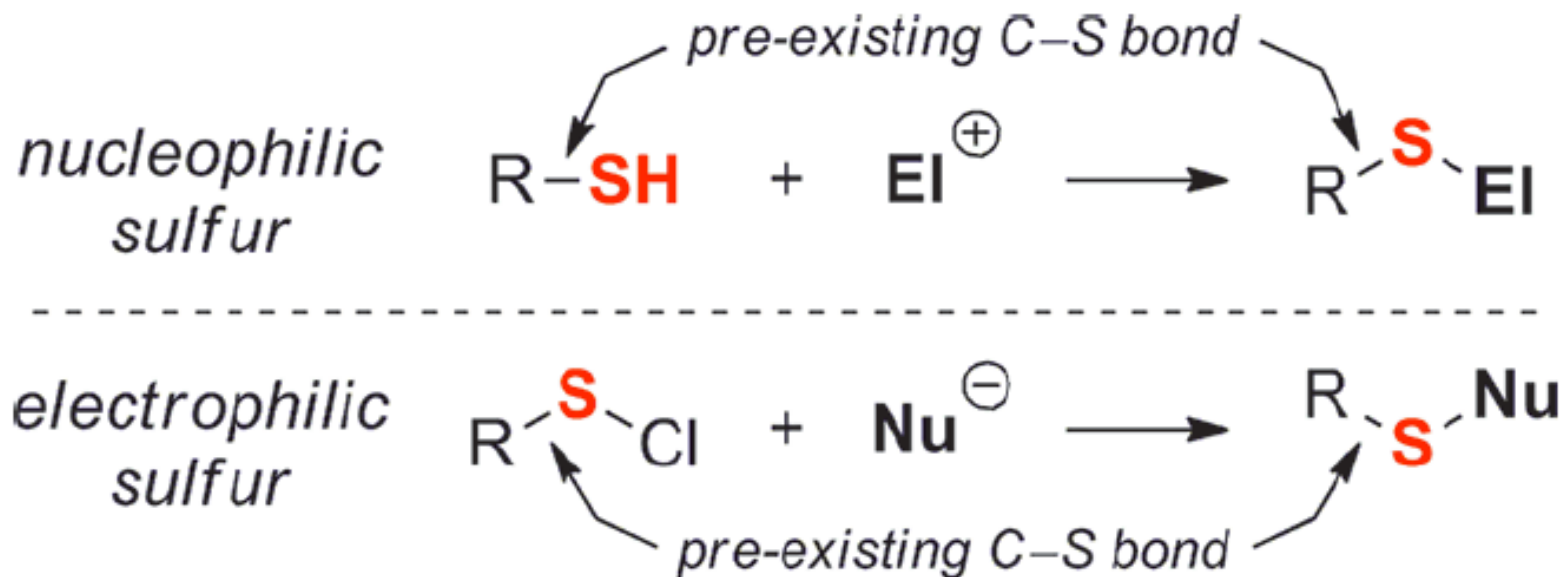
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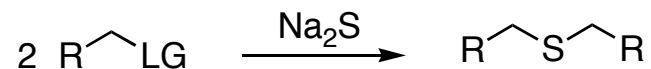
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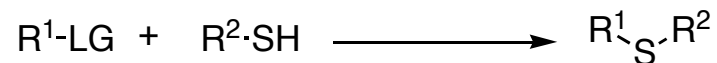
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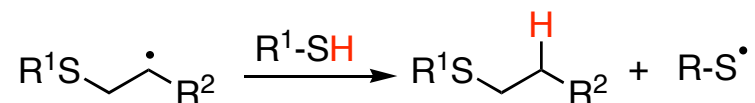
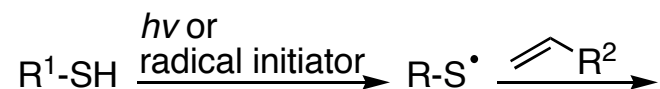
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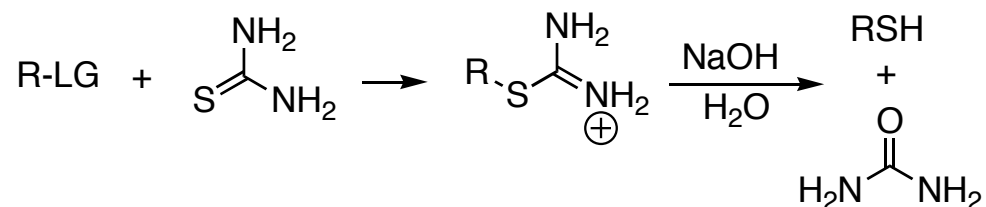


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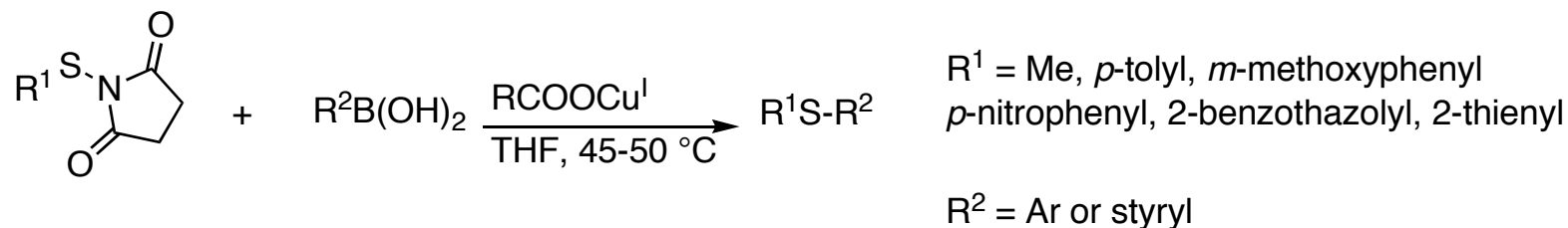


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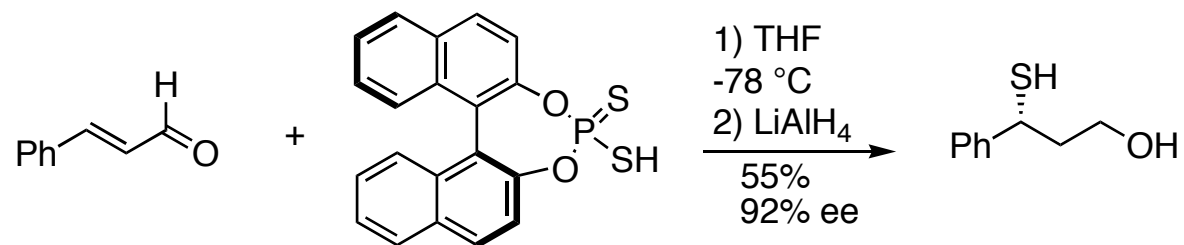
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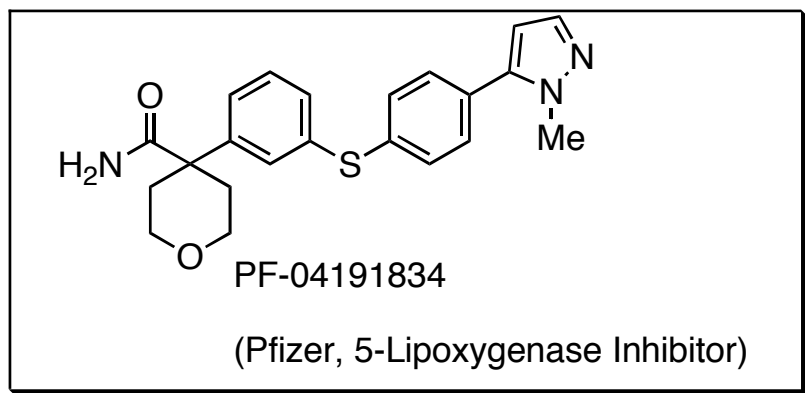
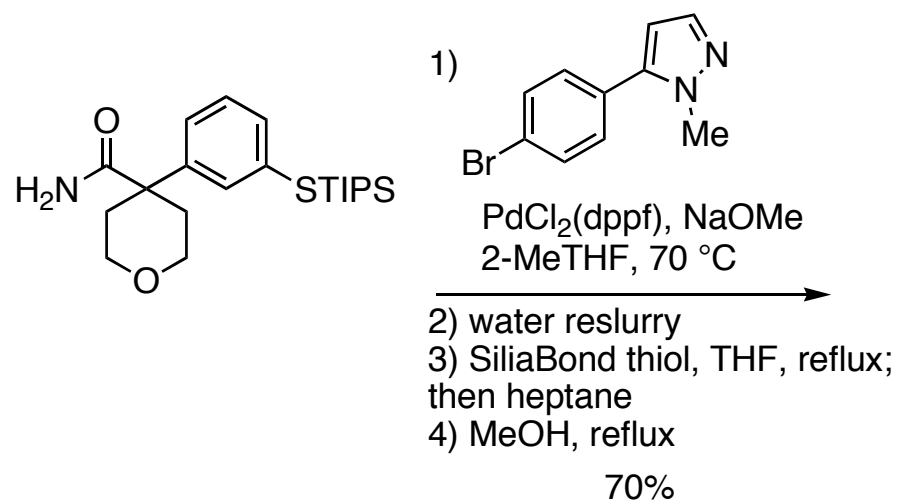
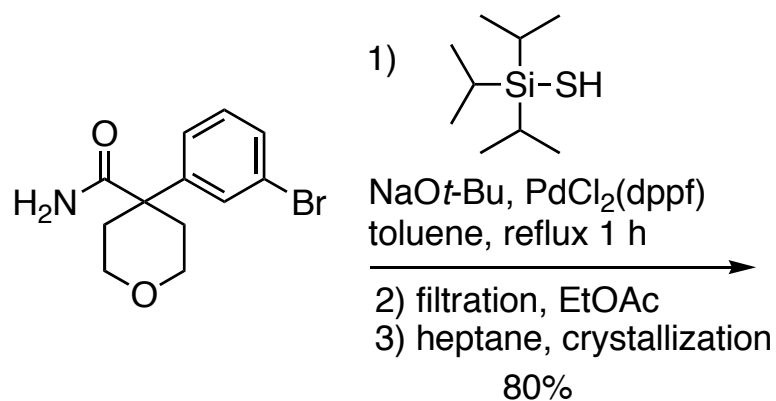


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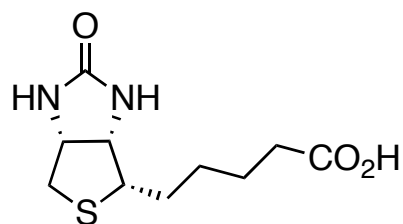
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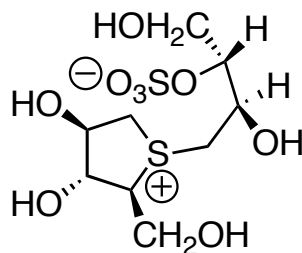
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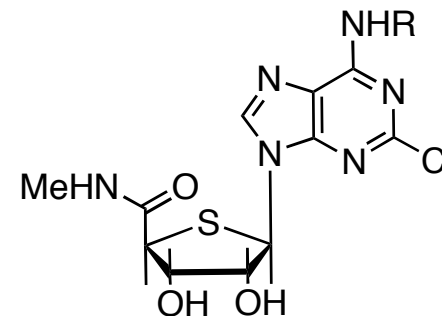
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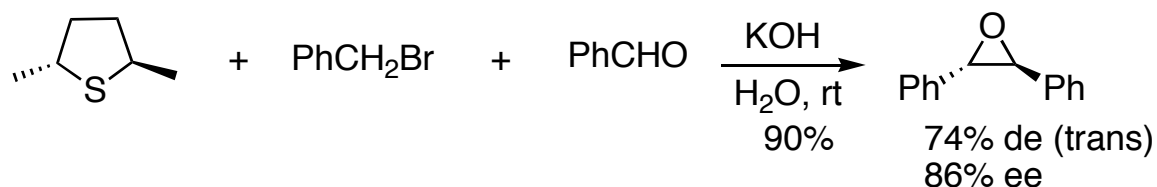
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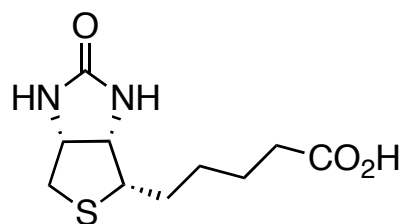
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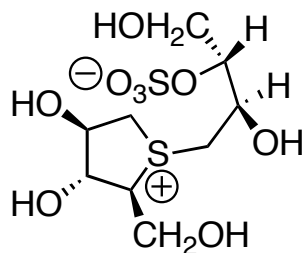
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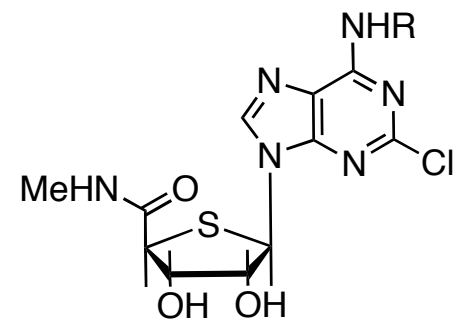
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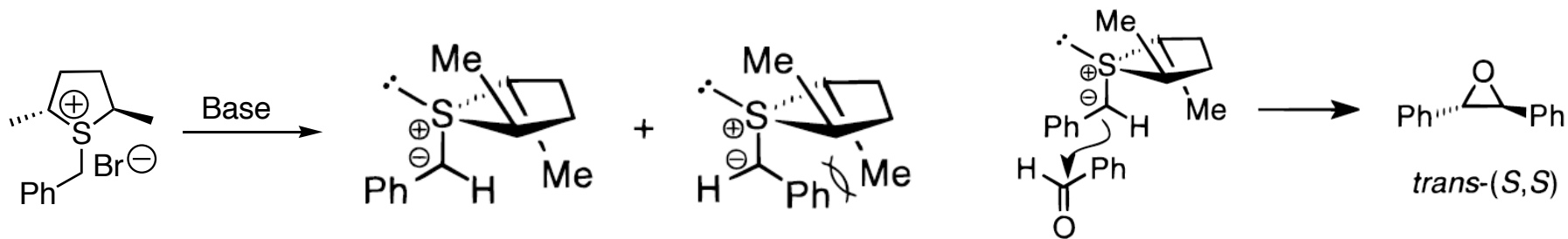
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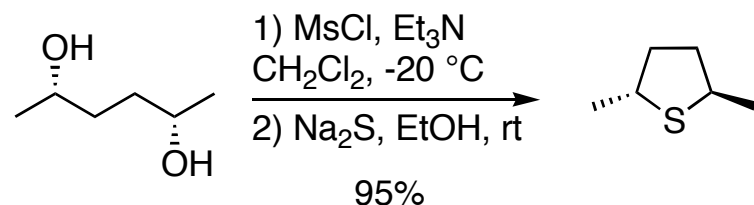
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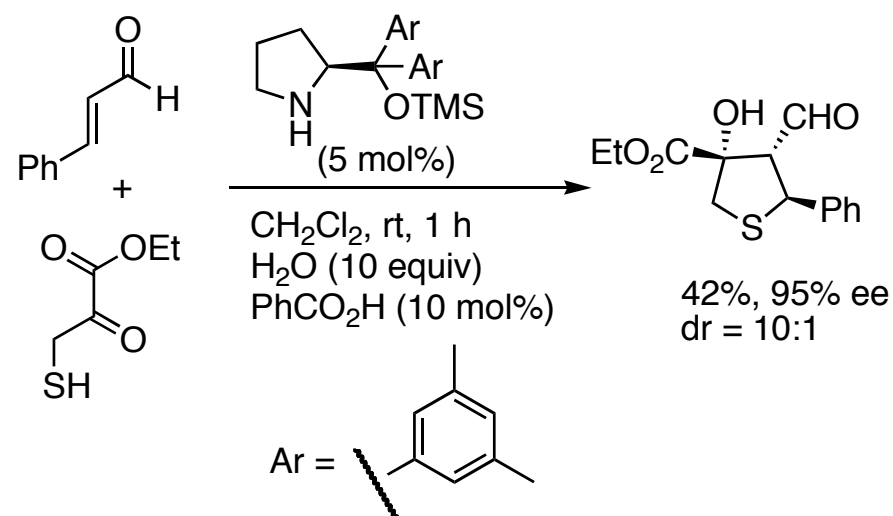
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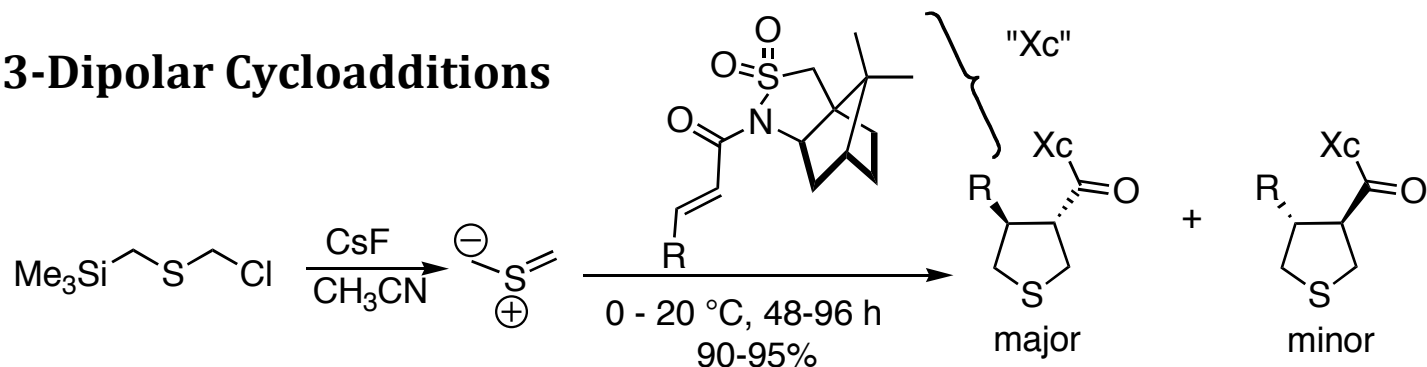
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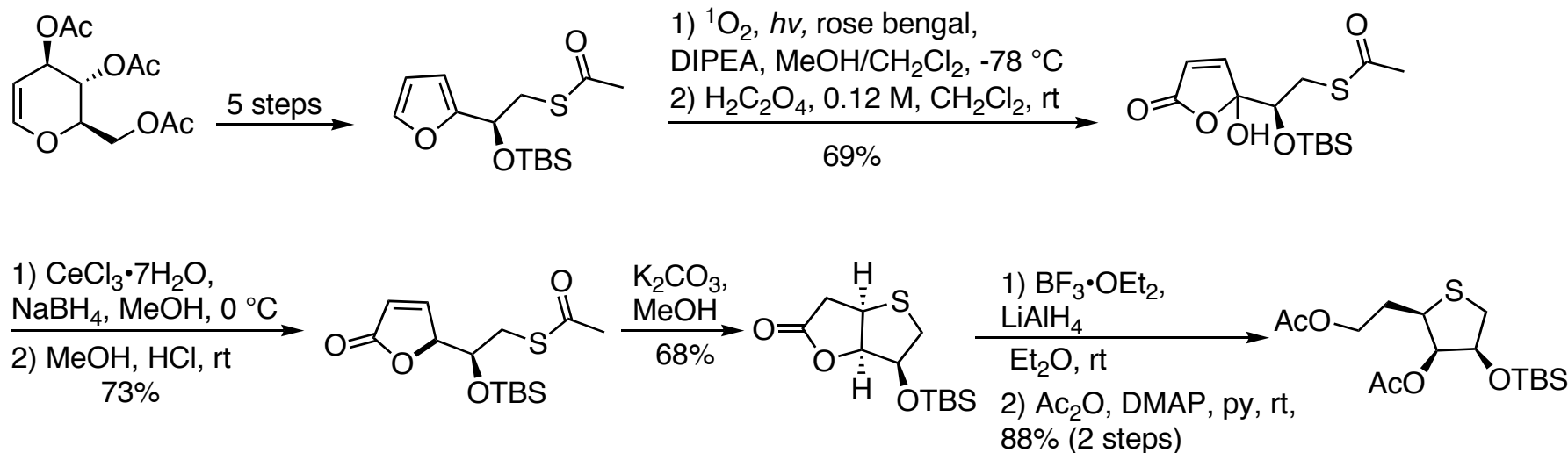
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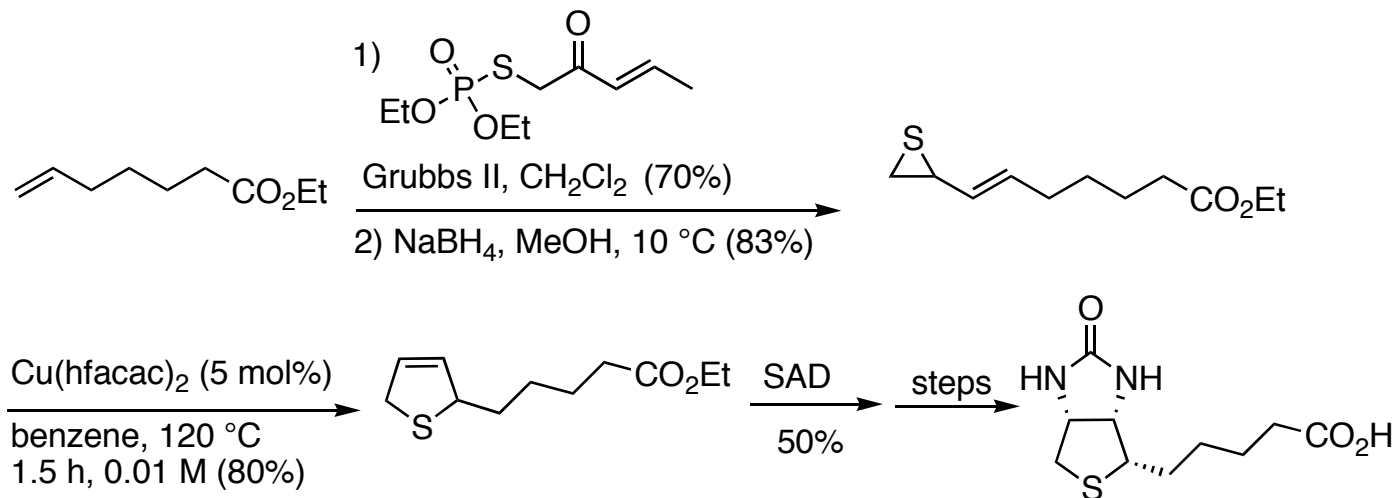
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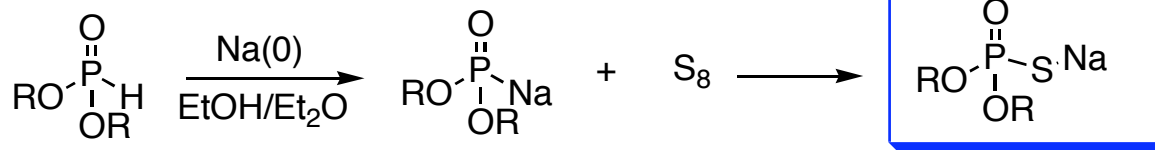
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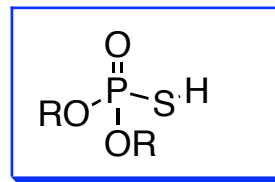
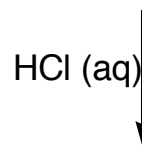


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Synthesis of *O,O*-Dialkyl Phosphorothioic Acids



*isolated by
filtration through
Celite*



*isolated after acidic
workup/extraction*

Diethyl phosphite: \$23.60/250 g (Aldrich)

LD₅₀ (oral, rat): 3,900 mg/kg

LD₅₀ (dermal, rabbit): 2,167 mg/kg

Sulfur: \$102/1 kg (Aldrich)

LD₅₀ (oral, rabbit): 175 mg/kg

LD₅₀ (oral, rat): 2,000 mg/kg

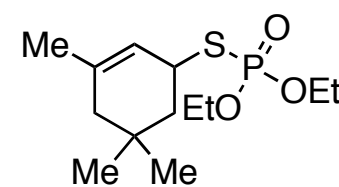
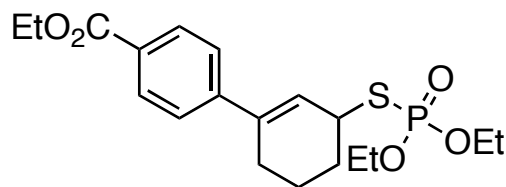
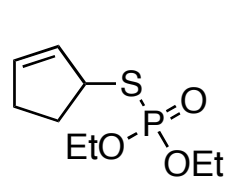
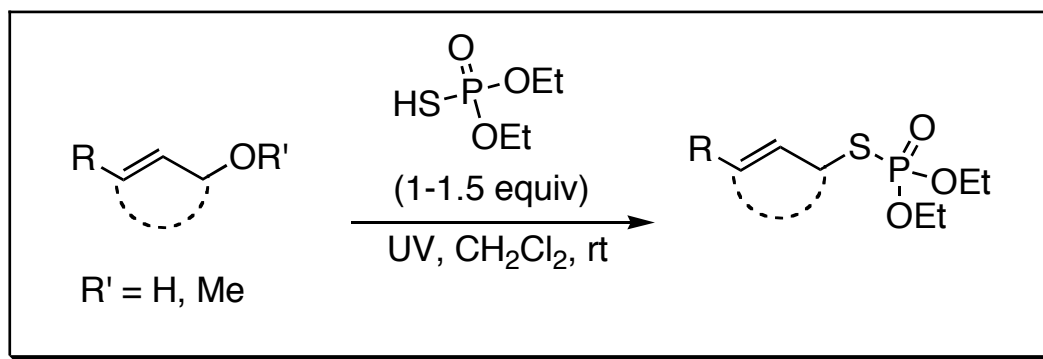
LC₅₀ (inhalation, rat) - 4 h :9.23 mg/L

LD₅₀ (dermal, rabbit) - 2,000 mg/kg

Hydrogen Sulfide: \$308/(lecture bottle?); Health Hazard 4 Gas

NaSH•xH₂O: \$63.20/kg (Aldrich); **KSAc:** \$137/g (Aldrich)

Previous Work: Allylic Thiolation Reactions



From the allylic alcohol:

72%

62%

83%

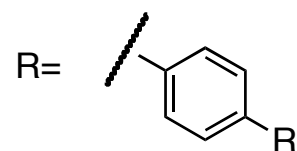
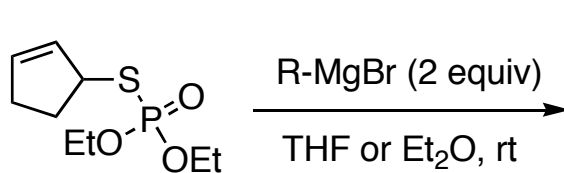
From the allylic ether:

73%

70%

91%

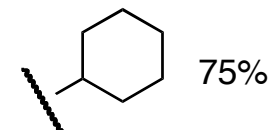
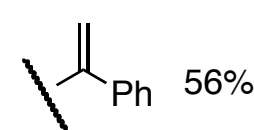
Application to C-C Bond Formation



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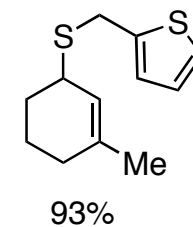
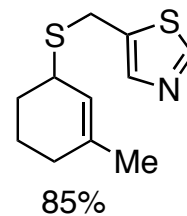
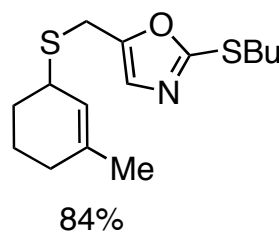
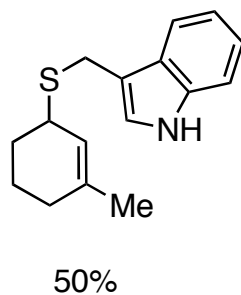
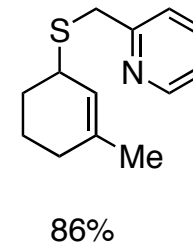
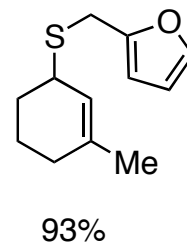
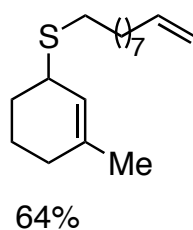
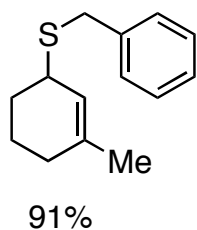
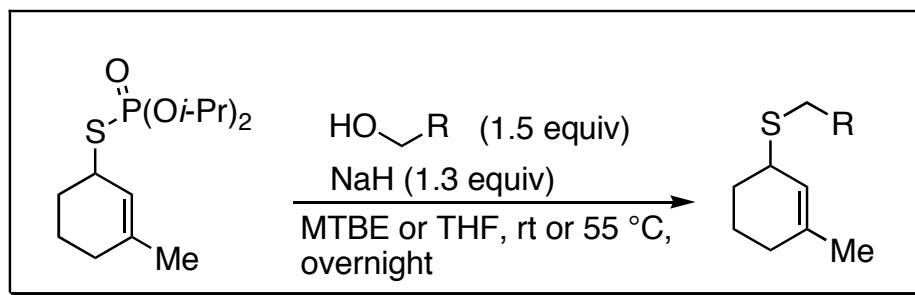
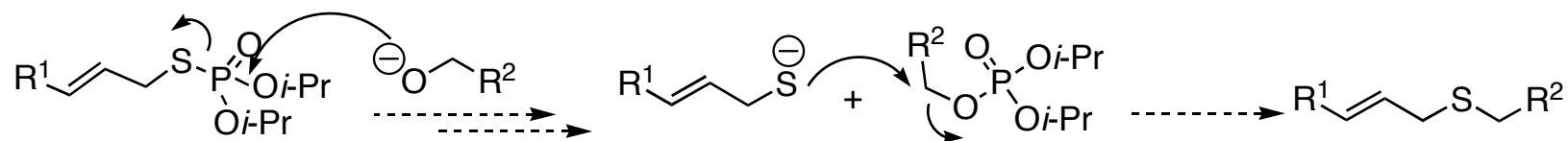
R' = OMe 77%

R' = CF₃ 78%



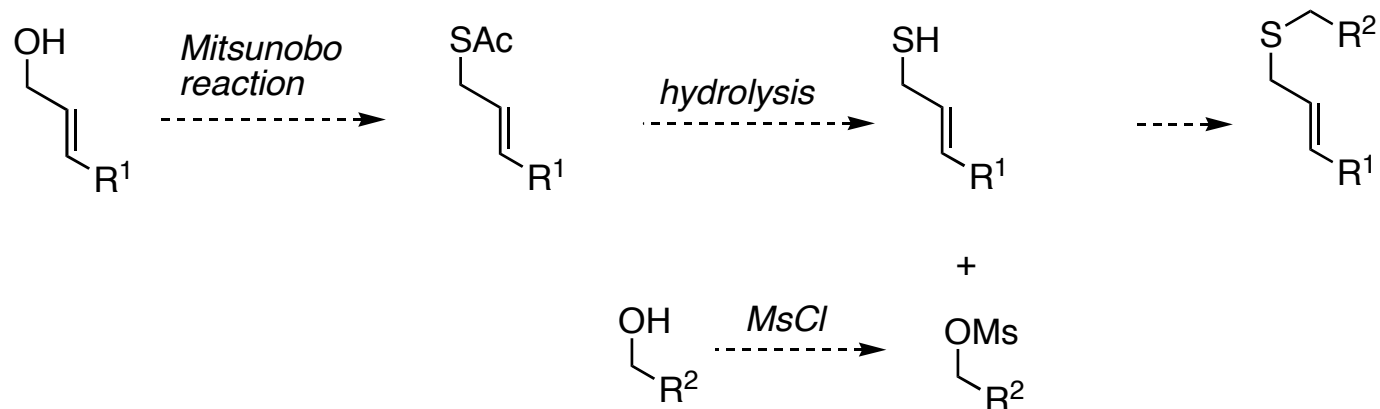
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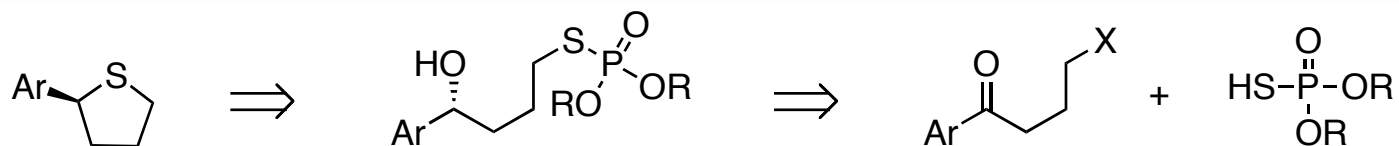
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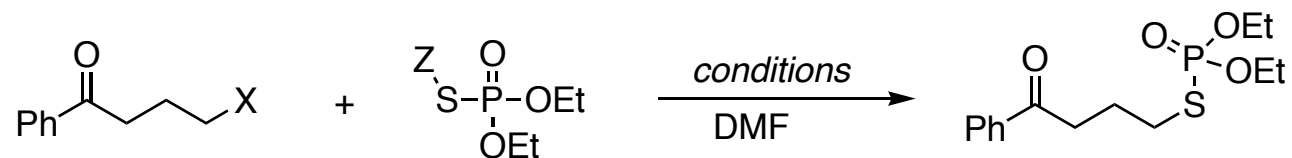
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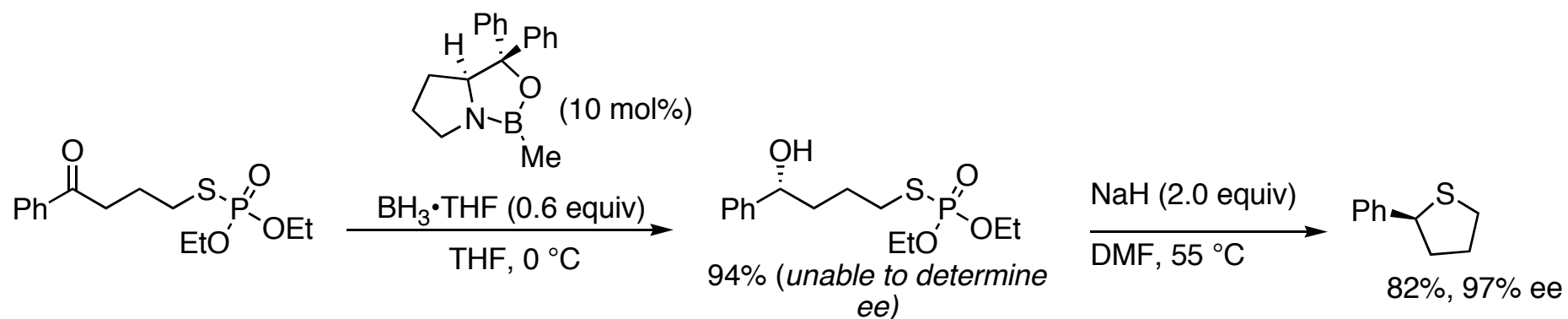
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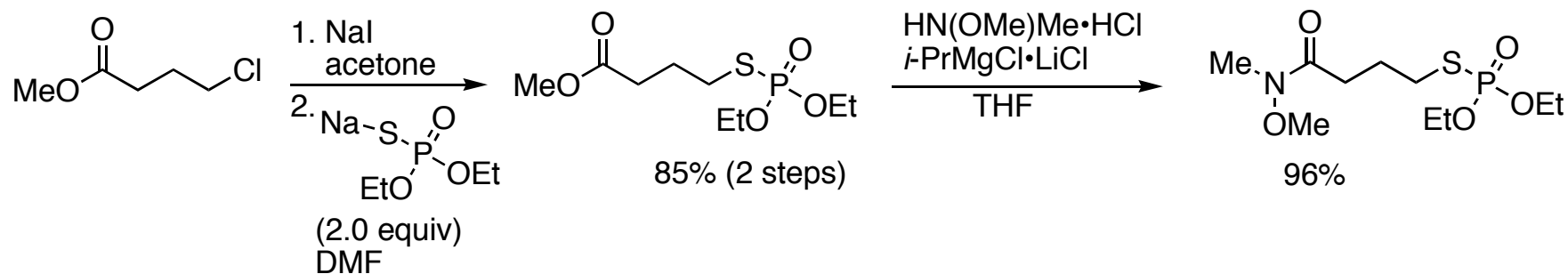
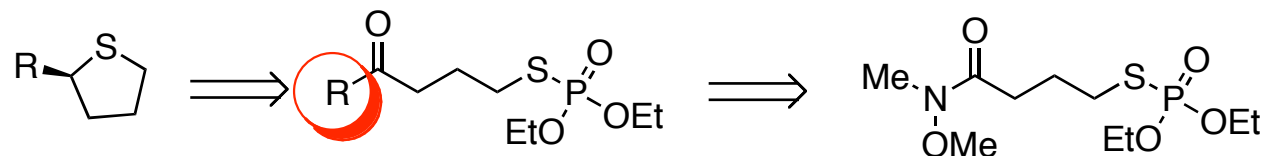
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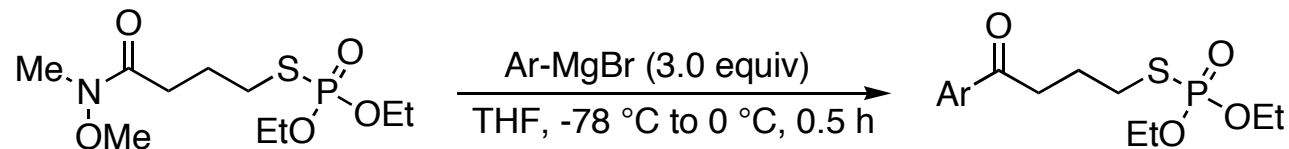
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2	Cl	Na	No additive, 70 °C	63%
3	I	Na	No additive, rt	98%



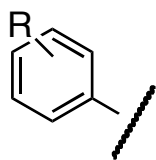
General Approach to Aromatic Tetrahydrothiophenes



Scope of Grignard Addition to Weinreb Amide



Ar =



H, 98%

4-Me, 96%

2-OMe, 61%

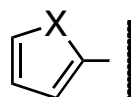
3,4-Me, 94%

4-*t*-Bu, 89%

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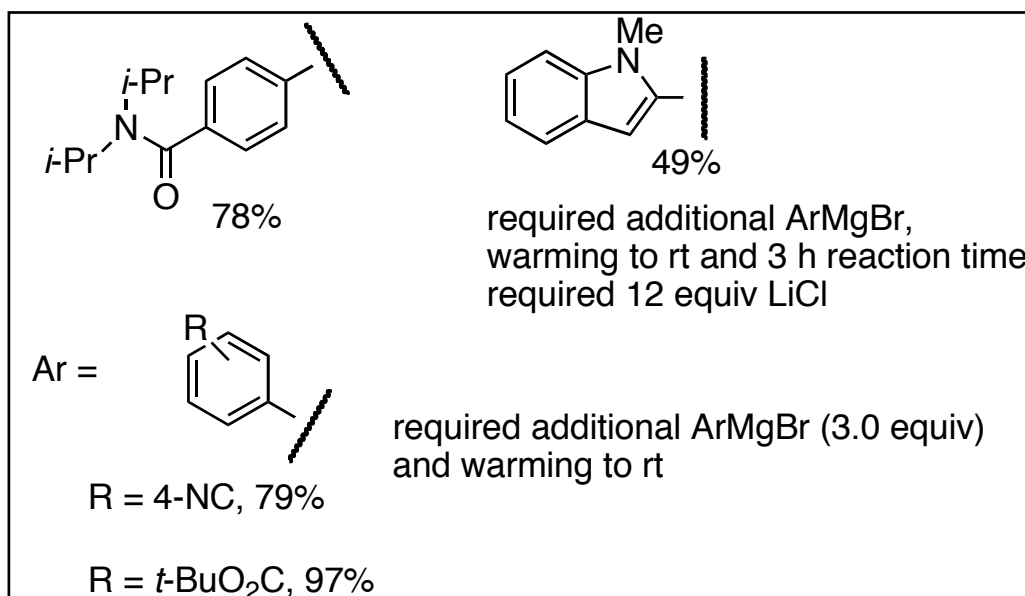
4-Cl, 90%

4-MeO, 80%

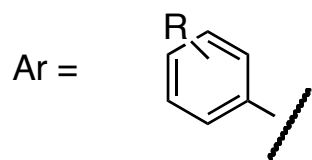
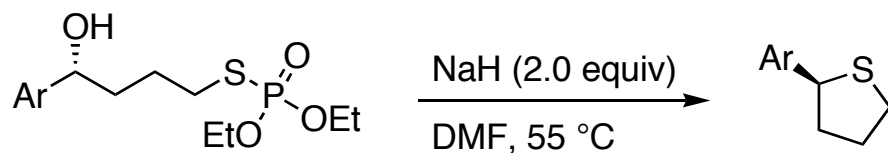


X = O, 91%

X = S, 99%



Scope of Chiral Tetrahydrothiophene Formation



H, 82% (97% ee)

4-Me, 84% (97% ee)

2-OMe, 79% (89% ee)

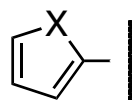
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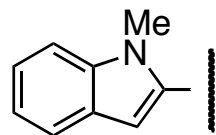
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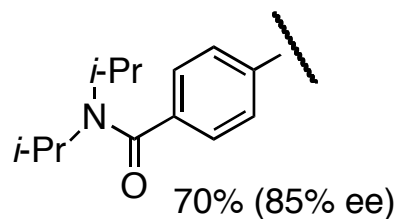


X = O, 74% (96% ee)

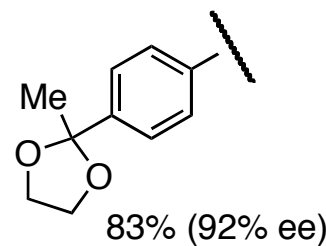
X = S, 94% (91% ee)



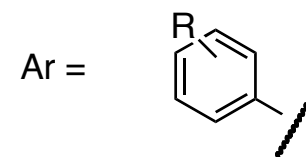
86% (74% ee)



70% (85% ee)



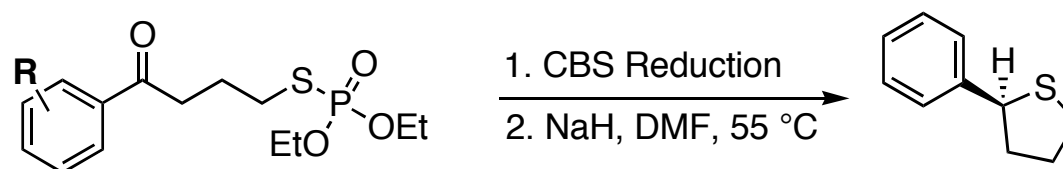
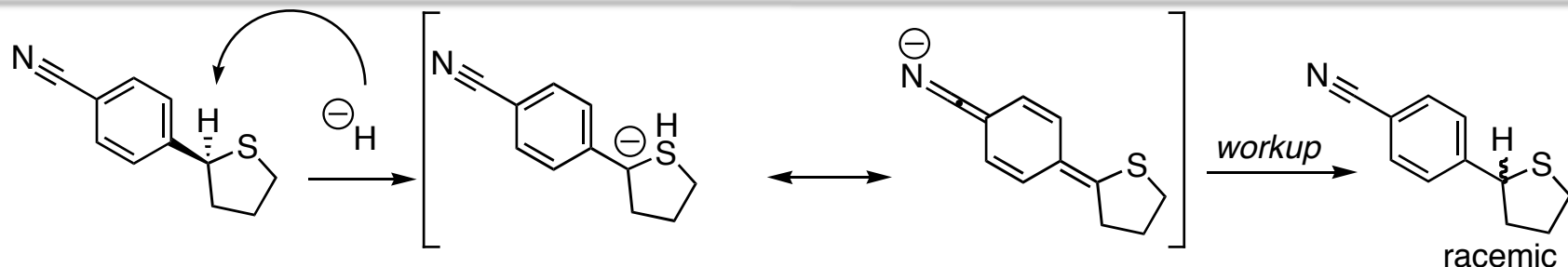
83% (92% ee)



R = 4-NC, 60% (0% ee)

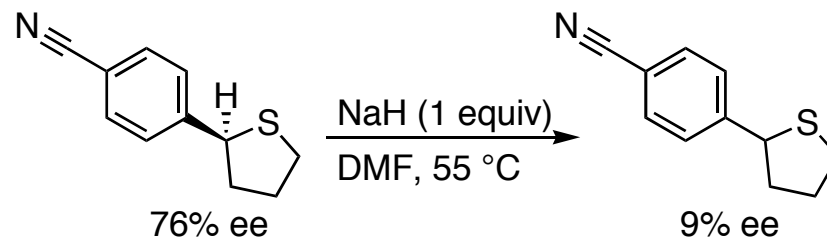
R = *t*-BuO₂C, 50% (10% ee)

Proposed Racemization Mechanism and Support

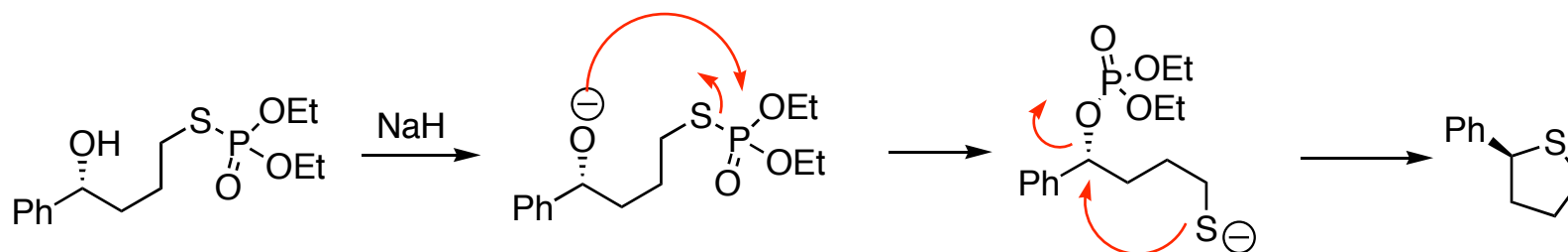


Entry	R	Conditions	Yield	ee (%)
1	3-CN	2.0 equiv NaH	70	74
2	3-CN	1.2 equiv NaH	81	82
3	4-CN	1.2 equiv NaH	82	76
4	4- <i>t</i> -BuO ₂ C	1.2 equiv NaH	81	93

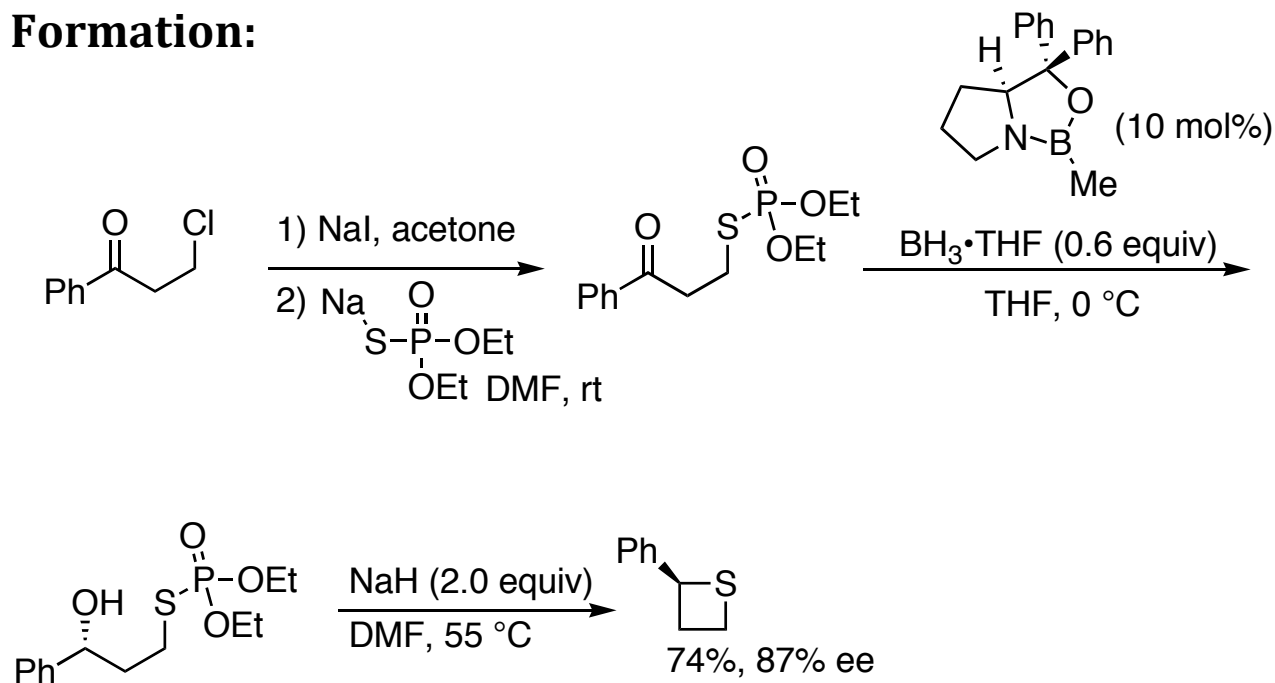
Subjection of the enantioenriched tetrahydrothiophene to the reaction conditions:



Mechanism and Extension of Methodology



Thietane Formation:



Attempts to form thianes using an analogous sequence were unsuccessful.

Summary

-A general, functional group-tolerant methodology for construction of 2-substituted enantioenriched tetrahydrothiophenes was developed.

-Extensions involving substitution of the alkyl tether or oxidation to the sulfoxide may be of interest.