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### Sieboldine A Background

- Isolated from club Moss Lycopodium sieboldii
- Inhibition of acetylcholinesterase (IC<sub>50</sub> 2.0  $\mu$ g/mL)
- Cytotoxicity against murine lymphoma L1210 cells (IC<sub>50</sub> 5.1  $\mu$ g/mL)
- Alopecuridine may be the biosynthetic precursor of Sieboldine A





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### Retrosynthetic Analysis



• Key Step: Pinacol-terminated Cyclization



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### Pinacol-terminated Cyclizations



Pinacol-terminated Prins cyclization



Pinacol-terminated enyne cyclization



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# Endgame



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### Summary

Pinacol-terminated Prins cyclization have been used to form the oxacyclic and carbocyclic core of many alkaloid.

Alternative cationic initiators can be used: Gold-catalyzed enyne cyclization used in Sieboldine A.

Sieboldine A prepared in 27 linear steps from commercially available material (33 overall).