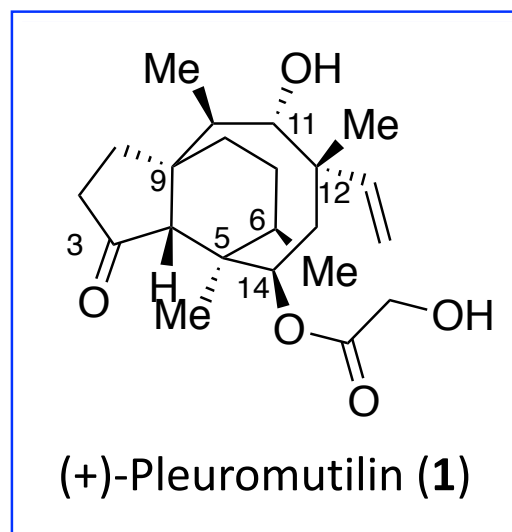


Total Synthesis of (+)-Pleuromutilin

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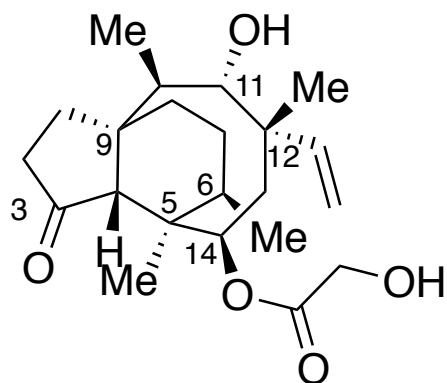
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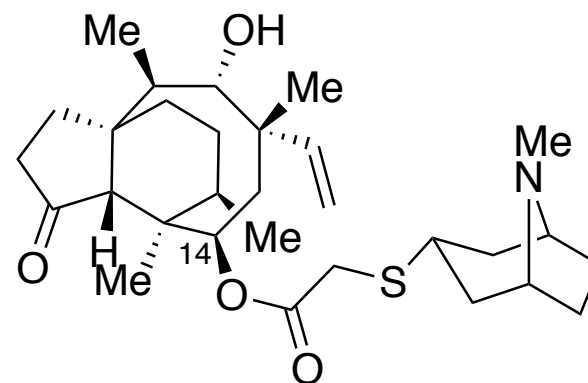
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(+)-Pleuromutilin

- (+)-Pleuromutilin is a diterpene natural product first isolated from the fungus *Clitopilus passeckerianus* in 1951 and shown to inhibit the growth of Gram- positive bacteria
- Thousands of semisynthetic derivatives has been made in which the C14 ester have been identified as potent antibiotics
- Retapamulin was approved in 2007 by FDA as topical antibiotic



(+)-Pleuromutilin (**1**)

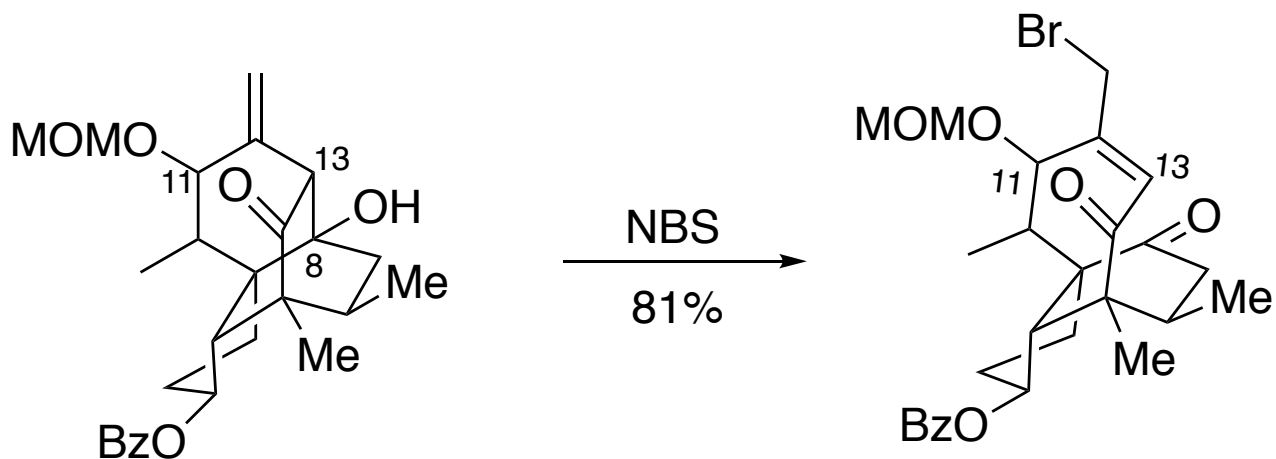


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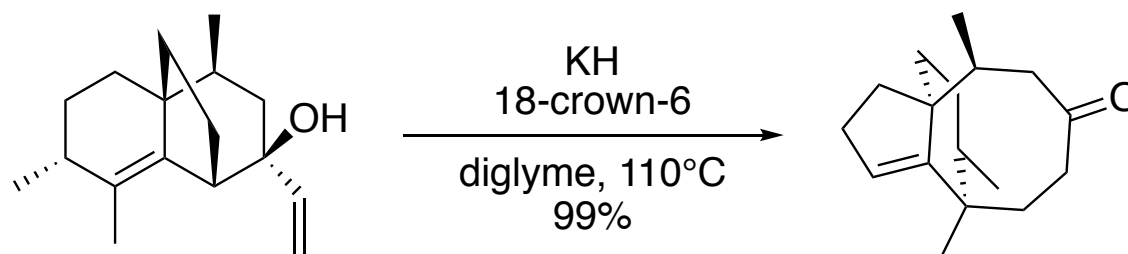
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8-Membered Ring Construction

- Grob fragmentation by Gibbons



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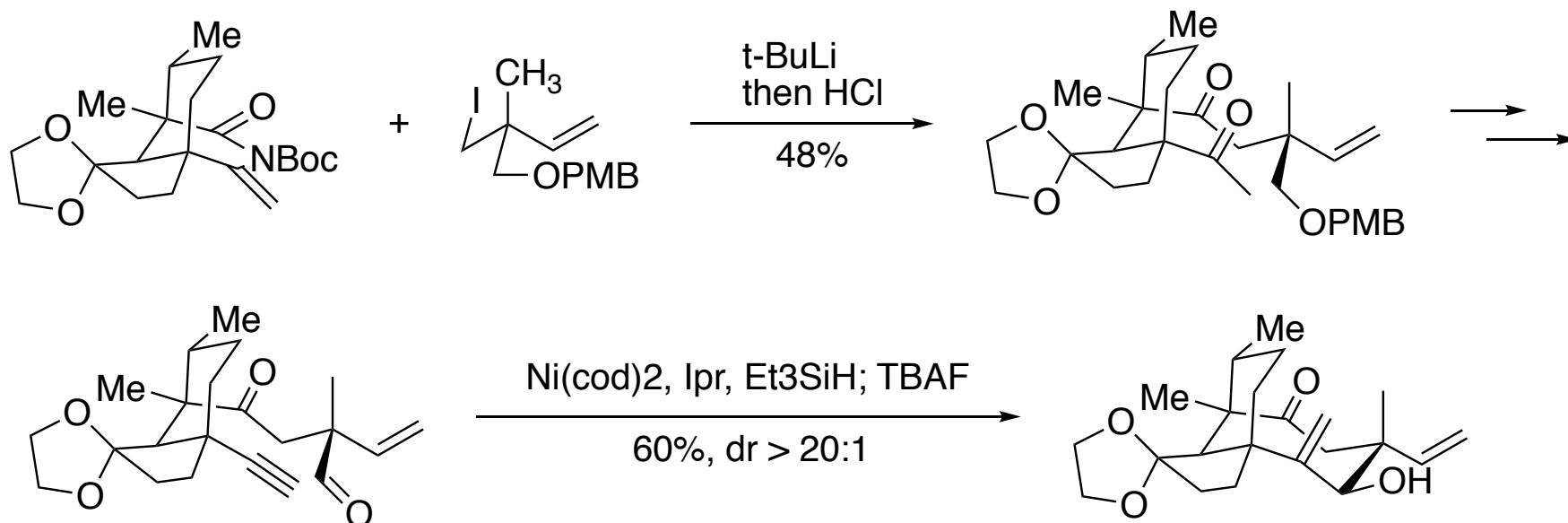
- Cascade cyclization by Procter etc



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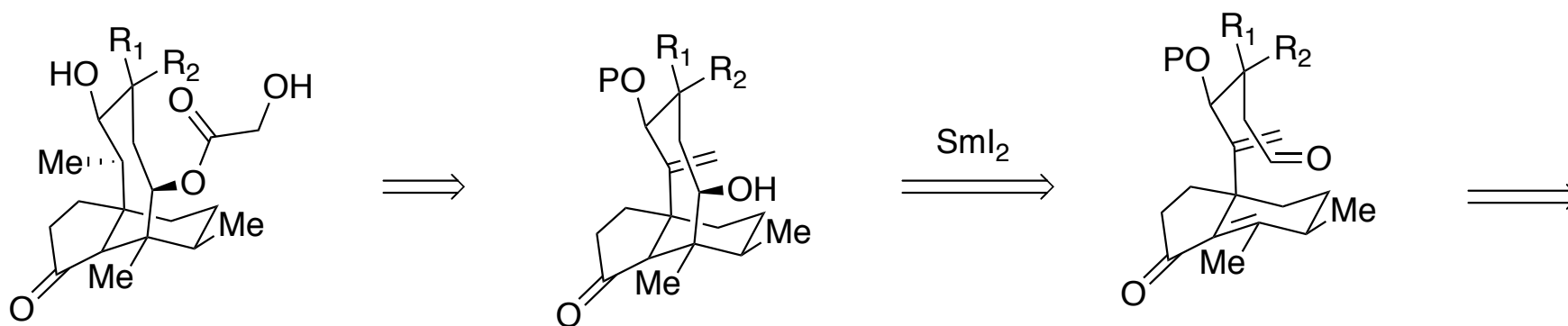
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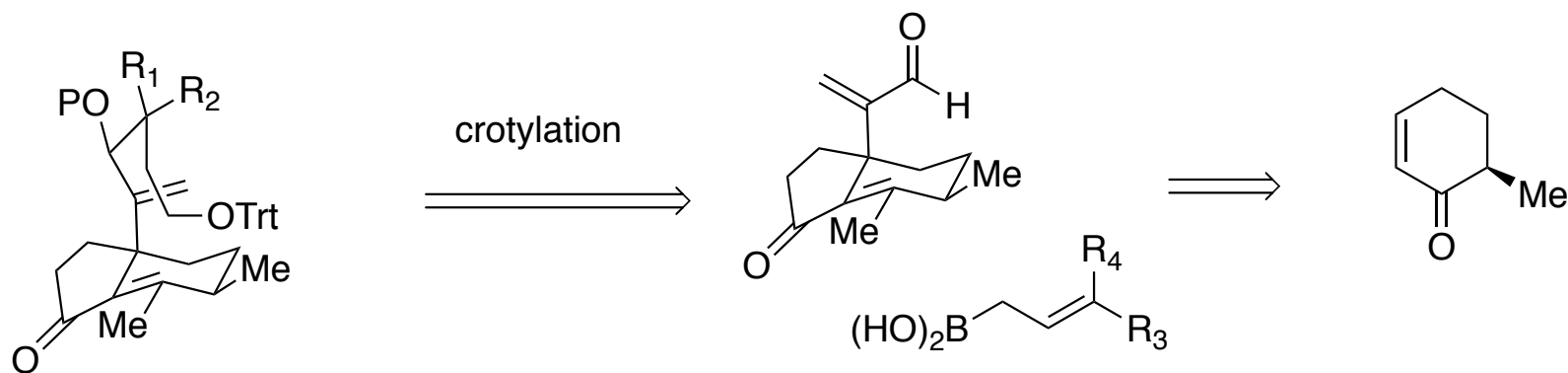


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Retrosynthetic Analysis

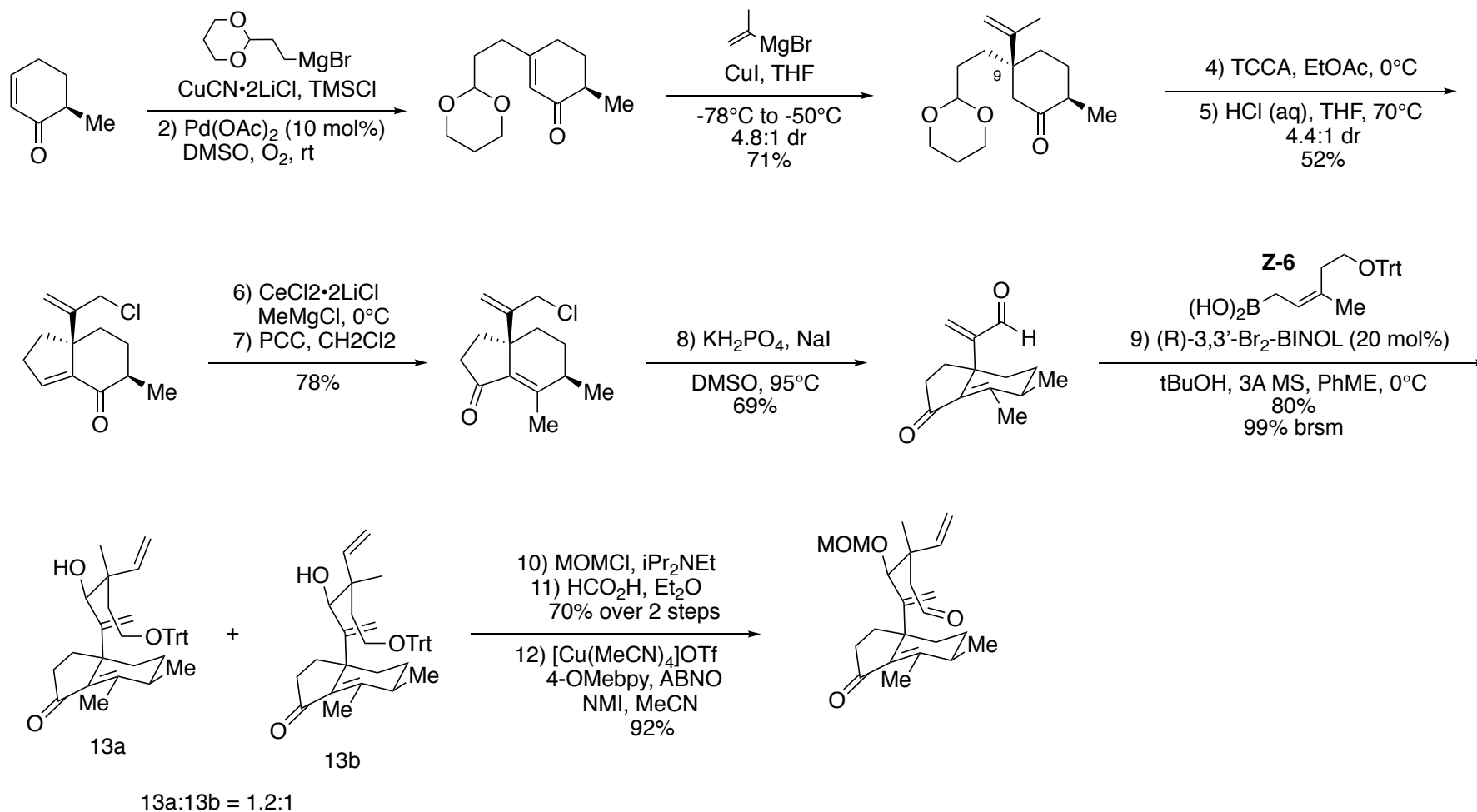


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12-epi-1: $R_1 = vinyl$, $R_2 = Me$

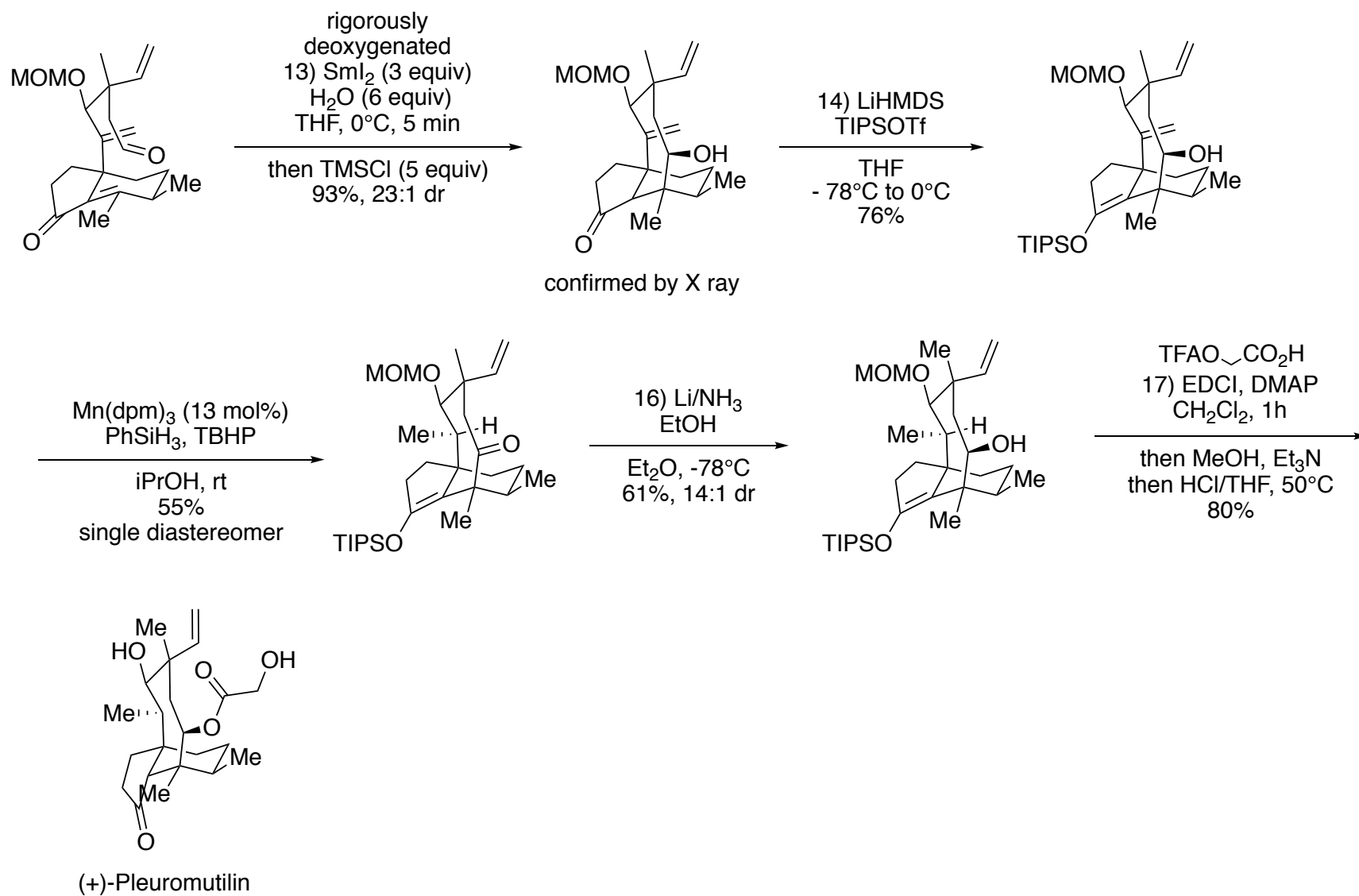


Z-6: $R_3 = Me$, $R_4 = CH_2CH_2OTrt$
E-6: $R_3 = CH_2CH_2OTrt$, $R_4 = Me$

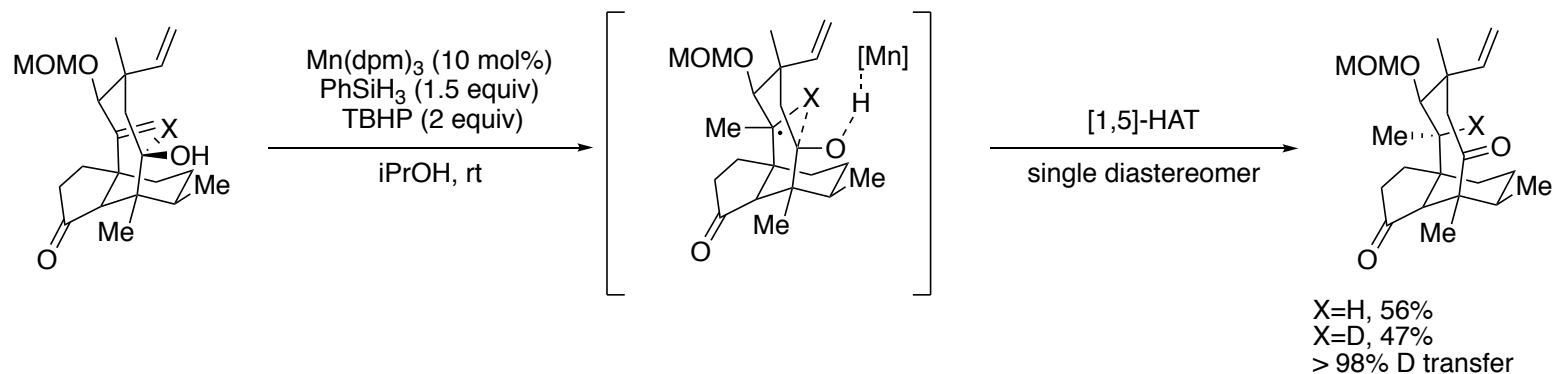
Synthesis of 5,6-membered ring



Completion of Synthesis



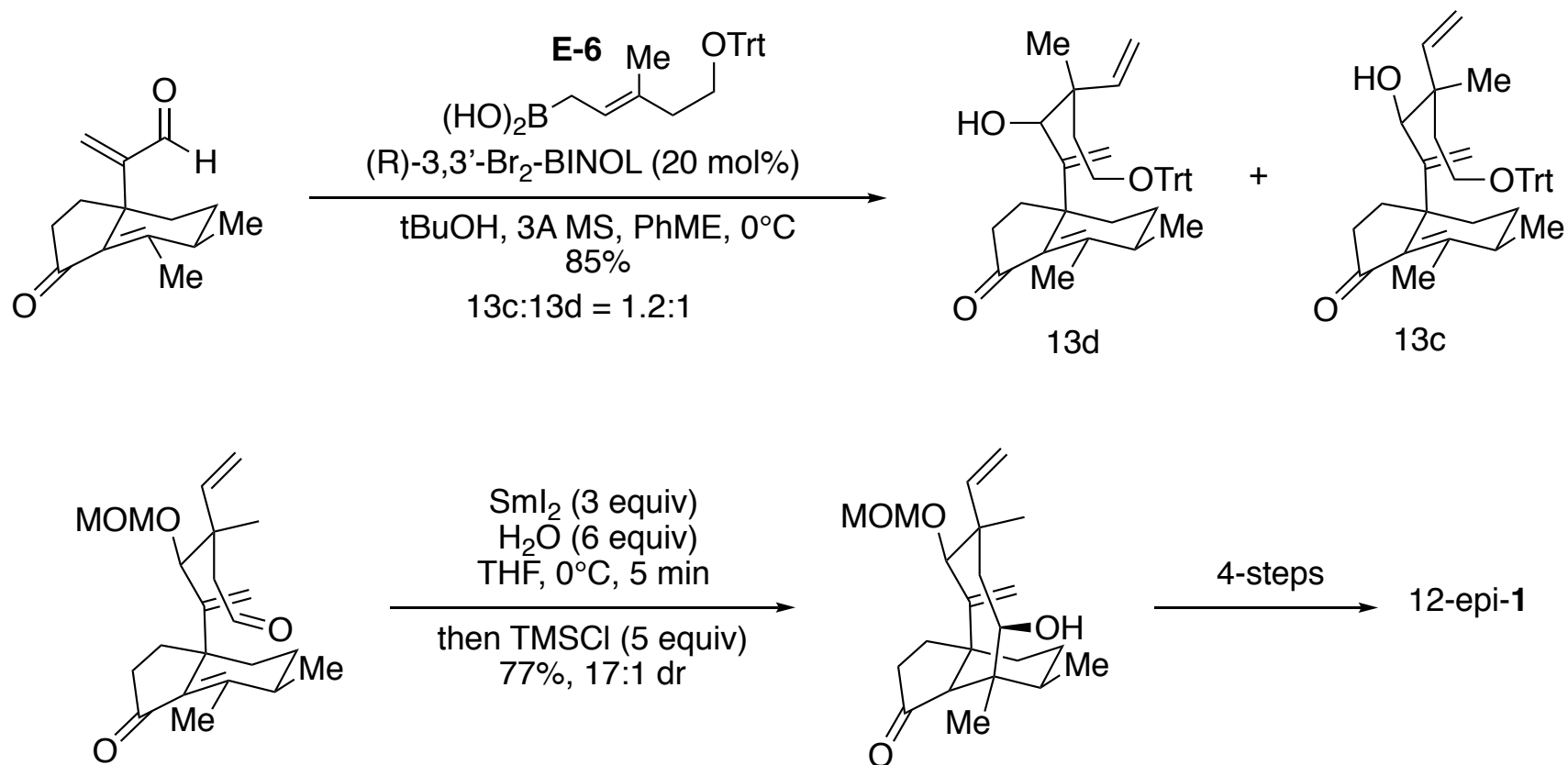
Redox Relay by Transannular [1,5]-HAT



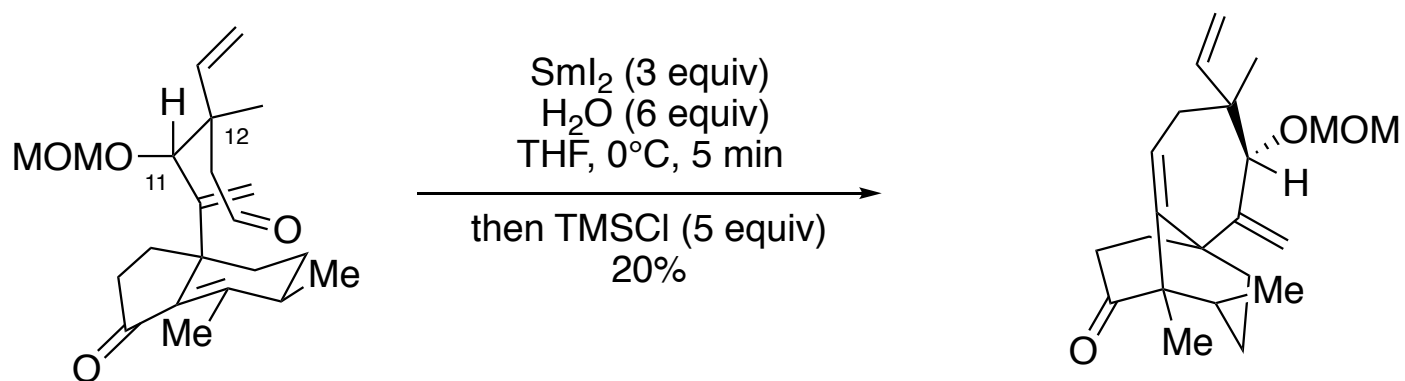
- Standard hydrogenation conditions employing cationic transition metal complexes gave rapid and exclusive reduction of the more sterically accessible vinyl group
- The protected C14 alcohol perform poorly under the HAT conditions suggests that cleavage of the O–H bond to form the C14 ketone serves as a driving force for this transformation

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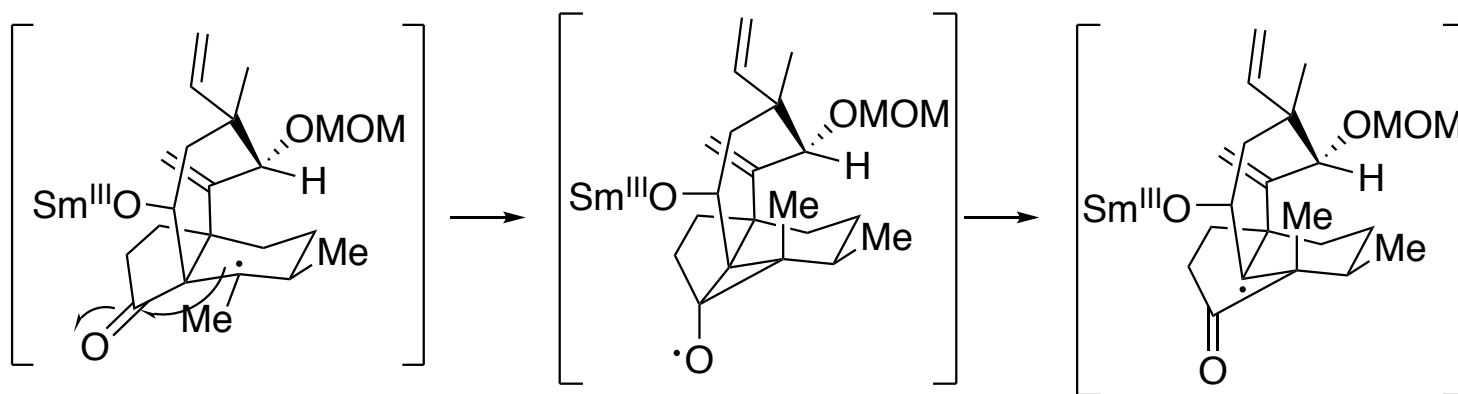
Synthesis of 12-*epi*-1



Cyclization of a 11,12-bis-*epi* substrate



11,12-bis-*epi*



C11 stereochemistry exerts a pronounced effect on the reactivity

Conclusion

- Preparation of (+)-pleuromutilin and (+)-12-epi-pleuromutilin in 18 steps from (+)-trans-dihydrocarvone.
- Highly stereoselective SmI₂-mediated cyclization to establish the eight-membered ring and a stereospecific transannular [1,5]-hydrogen atom transfer to set the C10 stereocenter