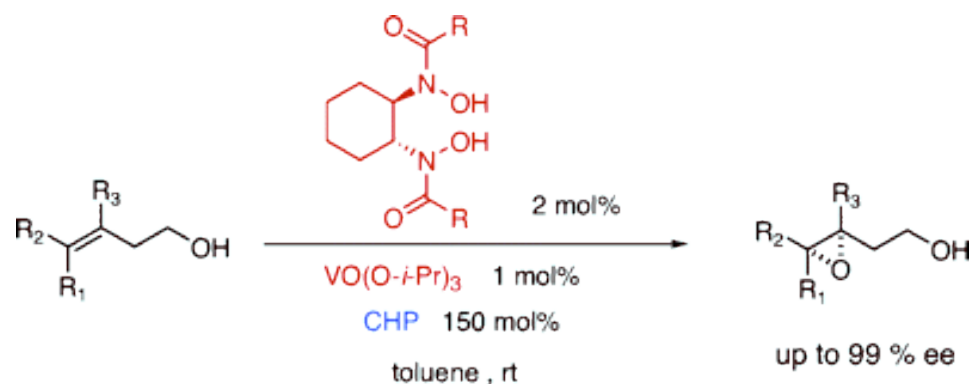


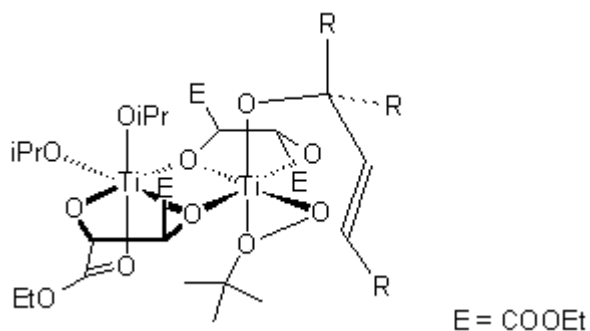
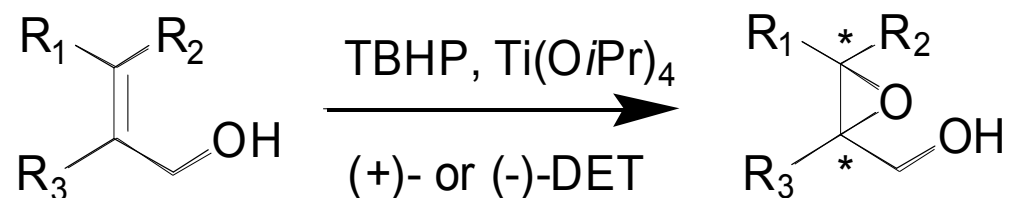
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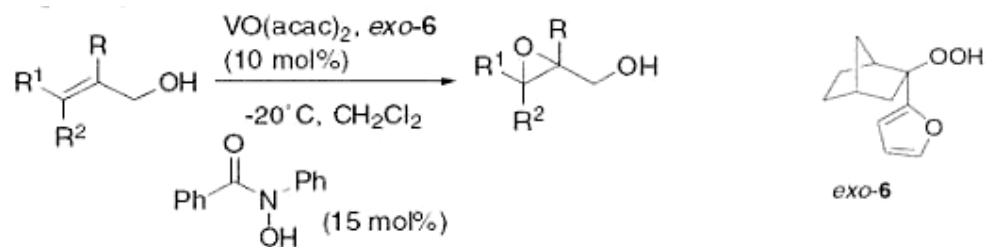
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# Metal Catalyzed Asymmetric Epoxidation of Allylic Alcohols: Chiral Ligand (Sharpless epoxidation)



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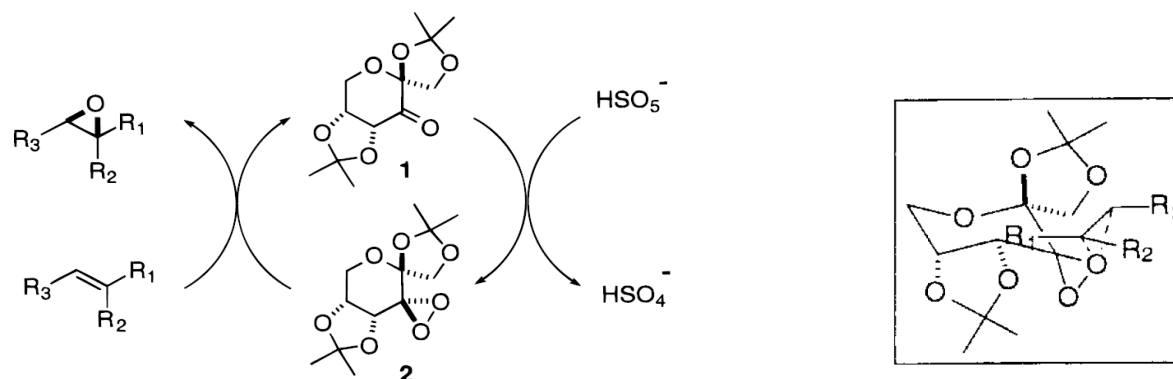
# Metal Catalyzed Asymmetric Epoxidation of Allylic Alcohols: Chiral Peroxide



Entry	Allylic alcohol	t (h)	Yield %	ee %
1		48	70	61 (2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>R</i> )
2		45	64	40 (2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>R</i> )
3		72	61	41 (2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>S</i> )
4		42	98	44 (2 <i>R</i> )
5 <sup>a</sup>		23	88	44 (2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>R</i> )
6		23	76	45 (2 <i>R</i> ,3 <i>R</i> )

<sup>a</sup> The reaction was carried out in toluene using  $\text{VO}(\text{O}i\text{-Pr})_3$ .

# Asymmetric Epoxidation of Allylic Alcohols: Chiral Ketone







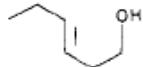

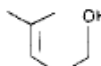
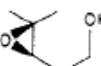
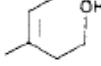
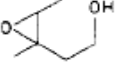
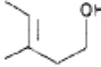
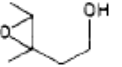
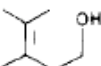
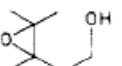
**Table 15** Asymmetric Epoxidation of Representative Hydroxyalkenes Catalyzed by Ketone

Entry	Substrate	T (°C)	Yield (%)	ee(%)	Configuration
1		-10	85	94	(+)-(R,R)
2		-10	45	91	(+)-(R,R)
3		-10	68	91	(+)-(R,R)
4		0	87	94	(+)-(R)
5		-15	93	94	(+)-(R,R)
6		-15	85	92	(+)-(R,R)
7		-15	75	74	(+)-(R,R)
8		-10	82	90	(+)-(R,R)
9		0	90	91	(+)-(R,R)
10		-15	83	91	(+)-(R,R)
11		0	87	91	(+)-(R,R)

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# Sharpless Asymmetric Epoxidation on Homoallylic Alcohols

Table I. Asymmetric Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols

homoallylic alcohol	epoxy alcohol	yield, %	ee, %	confign	rotation (solvent)
 1a	 1b	11-25 <sup>a</sup>	55	3 <i>R</i>	+ (CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> )
 2a	 2b	50 <sup>a</sup> 30 <sup>b</sup>	36 50	3 <i>R</i> ,4 <i>S</i> 3 <i>R</i> ,4 <i>S</i>	+ (EtOH <sub>abs</sub> ) + (EtOH <sub>abs</sub> )
 3a	 3b	34-50 <sup>b</sup>	41	3 <i>R</i> ,4 <i>R</i>	+ (EtOH <sub>abs</sub> )
 4a	 4b	41 <sup>b,c</sup>	27	3 <i>R</i>	+ (CHCl <sub>3</sub> )
 5a	 5b	60 <sup>b</sup>	23		+ (EtOH <sub>abs</sub> )
 6a	 6b	15 <sup>b</sup>	<i>d</i>		+ (EtOH <sub>abs</sub> )
 7a	 7b	62 <sup>b</sup>	48		+ (EtOH <sub>abs</sub> )

<sup>a</sup> Performed at 0 °C. <sup>b</sup> Performed at -20 °C. <sup>c</sup> Isolated as the acetate. <sup>d</sup> Percent ee was not determined for this product.

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# Zr Catalyzed Asymmetric Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols

**Table 2.** Catalytic Asymmetric Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols

substrate	method <sup>a</sup>	yield (%) <sup>b</sup>	ee (%) <sup>c</sup>	abs. config. <sup>d</sup>
 <b>1a</b>	A	92	87	3 <i>S</i> , 4 <i>S</i>
	B	86	71	3 <i>R</i> , 4 <i>R</i>
 <b>1b</b>	A	93	72	3 <i>S</i> , 4 <i>R</i>
	B	45	49	3 <i>R</i> , 4 <i>S</i>
 <b>1c</b>	A	95	47	3 <i>S</i>
	B	93	59	3 <i>R</i>
 <b>1d</b>	A	55 (94) <sup>e</sup>	78	3 <i>S</i>
	B	15 (25) <sup>e</sup>	82	3 <i>R</i>
 <b>1e</b>	A	98	73	3 <i>R</i>
	B	93	89	3 <i>S</i>
 <b>1f</b>	A	83 (98) <sup>f</sup>	74	3 <i>S</i>
	B	78 (96) <sup>f</sup>	86	3 <i>R</i>

<sup>a</sup> Method A: Zr(Ot-Bu)<sub>4</sub>/(L)-DBTA = 0.20 equiv/0.22 equiv, reaction temp = -40 °C, reaction time = 1 day. Method B: Zr(Ot-Bu)<sub>4</sub>/(L)-DIPT = 0.20 equiv/0.41 equiv, reaction temp = 0 °C, reaction time = 3–5 days. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup> Determined by chiral HPLC after transformation to triphenylmethyl ether. <sup>d</sup> Determined by comparison of optical rotation and chiral HPLC (refs 7, 10, and 18). <sup>e</sup> Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR using triphenylmethane as an internal standard. <sup>f</sup> Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR using diphenylmethane as an internal standard.

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# Vanadium Catalyzed Stereospecific Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols

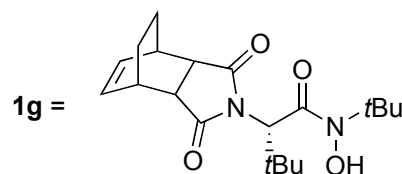
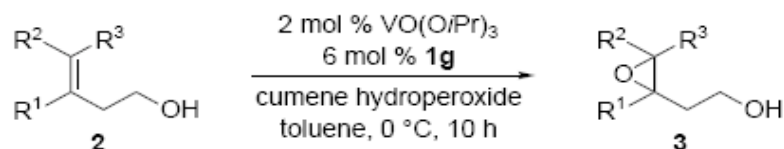
Table I. V<sup>5+</sup>/TBHP Epoxidations of Homoallylic Alcohols<sup>a,j</sup>

entry	homoallylic <sup>b</sup> alcohol	major epoxy alcohol <sup>c</sup>	selectivity <sup>d</sup>	yield, <sup>e</sup> %	entry	homoallylic <sup>b</sup> alcohol	major epoxy alcohol <sup>c</sup>	selectivity <sup>d</sup>	yield, <sup>e</sup> %
1			>400:1	90	9			104:1	92
2			24:1	93 <sup>f</sup>	10			>400:1	97
		R = (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>							
3			1.4:1	99	11			70:1	73 <sup>g</sup>
4			12:1	83	12			85:1	70
5			4.6:1	50	13			2.1:1	91 <sup>h</sup>
6			4.8:1	98	14			15.9:1	81
7			3:1	88	15			211:1	95
8			5:1	88 <sup>i</sup>					

<sup>a</sup> Epoxidations were carried out by adding the olefin (1–16 mmol), vanadium(IV) oxide bis(2,4-pentanedionate) (1–2 mol%), and anhydrous 1 M *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide (1.5 equiv) to anhydrous methylene chloride (~0.1 M in olefin) at ice bath temperature followed by stirring at room temperature overnight (16 h). The less reactive substrates required longer times: entry 11 (24 h), entry 12 (96 h), entry 13 (41 h). <sup>b</sup> Noncommercial substrates were prepared as follows: entry 1, deconjugative alkylation of 2-pentenoic acid (LDA, MeI,

# Previous Works on Vanadium Catalyzed Asymmetric Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols

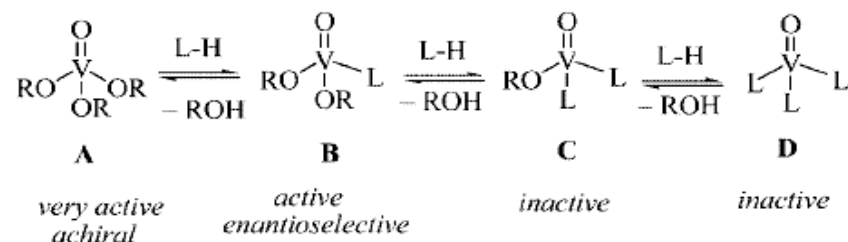
**Table 2:** Asymmetric epoxidation of homoallylic alcohols **2** using **1g** as ligand.



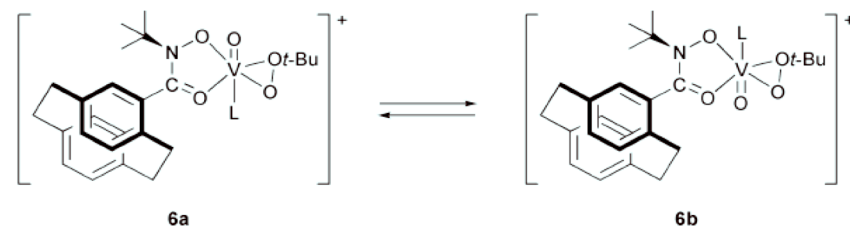
Entry	Homoallylic alcohol <b>2</b>	ee [%]	Yield [%]
1	<b>2b</b>	40 <sup>[a]</sup>	25
2	<b>2c</b>	46 <sup>[c]</sup>	24
3	<b>2d</b>	36 <sup>[a]</sup>	67
4	<b>2e</b>	74 <sup>[b]</sup>	61
5	<b>2f</b>	84 <sup>[a]</sup>	58
6	<b>2g</b>	90 <sup>[a]</sup>	77
7	<b>2h</b>	90 <sup>[b]</sup>	89
8	<b>2i</b>	89 <sup>[c]</sup>	70
9	<b>2j</b>	91 <sup>[d]</sup>	42

[a] Determined by chiral GLC (column,  $\gamma$ -TA). [b] Determined by chiral GLC (column,  $\beta$ -DM). [c] Determined by chiral HPLC (column, AD-H). [d] Determined by chiral HPLC (column, OD-H).

Possible cause of the low yield and ee:



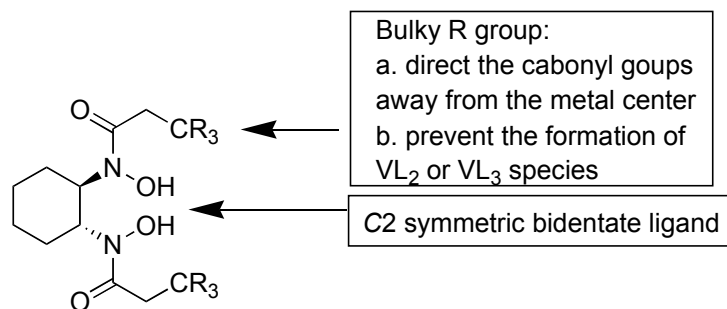
L = bidentate ligand



**Scheme 4** Formation of diastereomeric vanadium complexes **6** (with L = *n*-BuOH).



# Vanadium Catalyzed Asymmetric Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols: Screening of Ligands



**Table 1.** Screening of Ligands

entry <sup>a</sup>	ligand	%yield <sup>b</sup> , %ee <sup>c</sup>
1	<b>1b</b> R =	52, 71
2	 <b>1c</b> R =	56, 90
3	<b>1d</b> R =	61, 96

<sup>a</sup> All reactions were carried out in toluene in the presence of 1.5 equiv of cumene hydroperoxide (CHP) (88%) unless otherwise indicated. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield after chromatographic purification. <sup>c</sup> Enantiomeric excess values were determined by chiral HPLC (AD-H), and the detailed information is provided in the Supporting Information.

# Vanadium Catalyzed Asymmetric Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols: Screening of Ligands

**Table 2.** Scope of Substrates

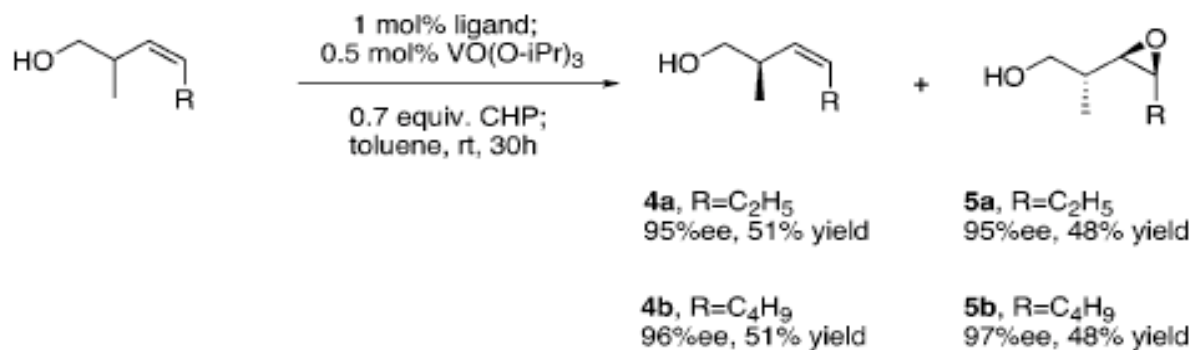
$\text{VO}(\text{O-}i\text{Pr})_3$  (1 mol%)  
 ligand **1d** (2 mol%)  
 CHP, toluene  
 rt, 24h

entry <sup>a</sup>	HAA	epoxy alcohol		%yield <sup>b</sup> , %ee <sup>c</sup> , config.
1			<b>3a</b>	90, 96
2			<b>3b</b>	85, 99
3			<b>3c, R=C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub></b>	85, 93 ( <i>3R, 4R</i> )
4			<b>3d, R=C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub></b>	89, 96
5			<b>3e, R=C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>13</sub></b>	92, 98
6			<b>3f, R=C<sub>2</sub>H<sub>5</sub></b>	92, 95 ( <i>3R, 4S</i> )
7			<b>3g, R=C<sub>3</sub>H<sub>7</sub></b>	90, 97
8			<b>3h, R=C<sub>4</sub>H<sub>9</sub></b>	91, 99
9			<b>3i, R=C<sub>5</sub>H<sub>11</sub></b>	90, 99

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# Vanadium Catalyzed Asymmetric Epoxidation of Homoallylic Alcohols: Kinetic Resolution of Homoallylic Alcohols

**Scheme 2.** Kinetic Resolution of Homoallylic Alcohols



# Summary

- Asymmetric epoxidation of homoallylic alcohols was realized:
  - High yield and ee
  - Good substrate Scope
- Future Work:
  - Tri- and tetrasubstituted alkene?
  - Functional group compatibility
  - Suppression of tetrahydrofuran formation
  - Application in total synthesis
  - Where is the experimental procedures?