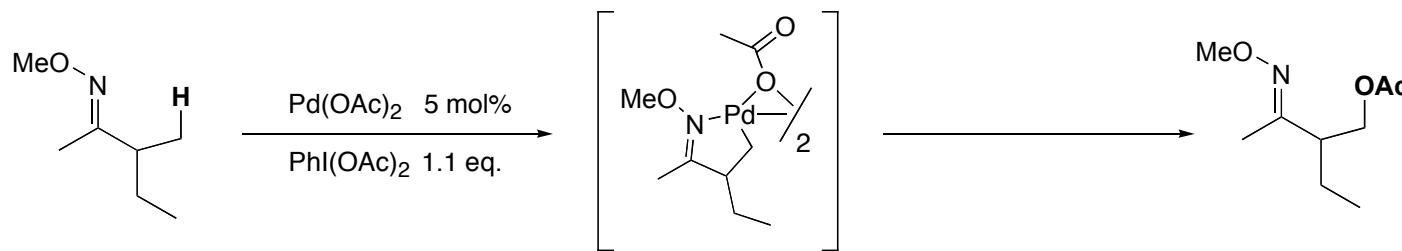


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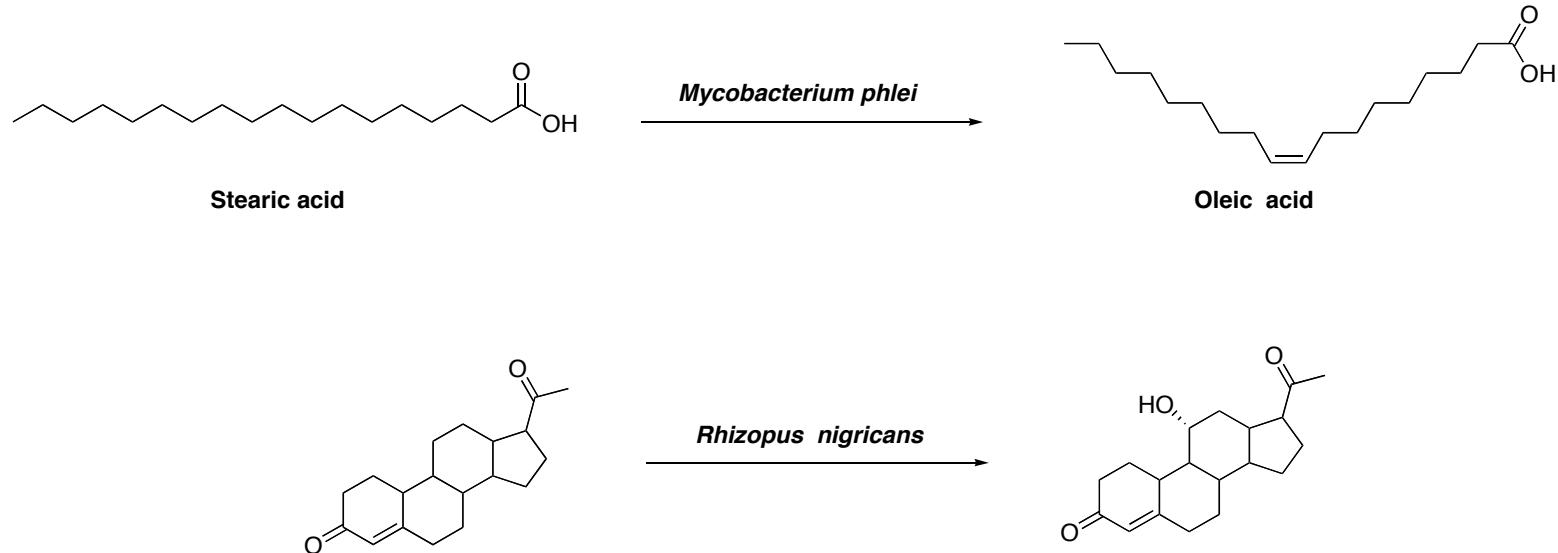
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# Oxidation of Unactivated $\text{sp}^3$ C-H Bonds: A Challenge in Organic Synthesis...

- REACTIVITY ( C-H bond dissociation energy in methane 104 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>)
- SELECTIVITY ( C-H bond dissociation energy in methanol: 93 kcal mol<sup>-1</sup>)

.... while in Nature...

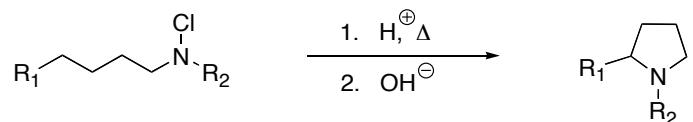


# **Chemical Routes for the Intramolecular Oxidative Functionalization of Unactivated $sp^3$ C-H Bond**

- a) Reactions based on heteroatom centered radicals
- b) Reactions based on Rhodium-mediated carbene and nitrene  $sp^3$  C-H bond insertions
- c) Reactions based on transition metal-mediated  $sp^3$  C-H bond activation

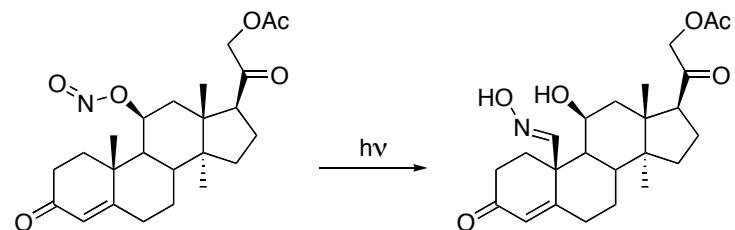
# Reactions Based on Heteroatom-Centered Radicals

## Hoffmann-Loeffler-Freytag Reaction



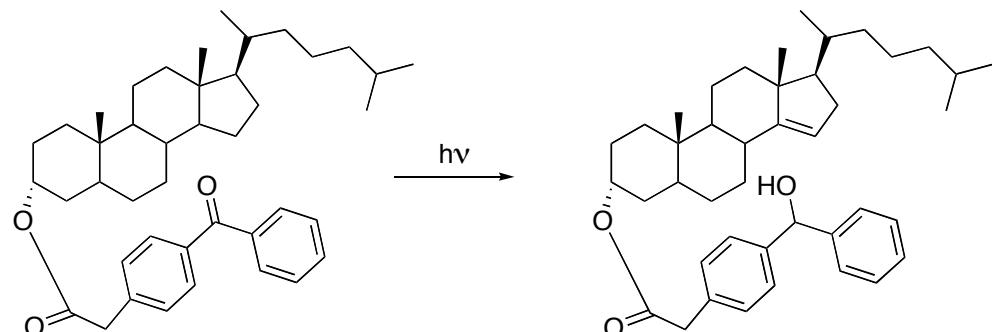
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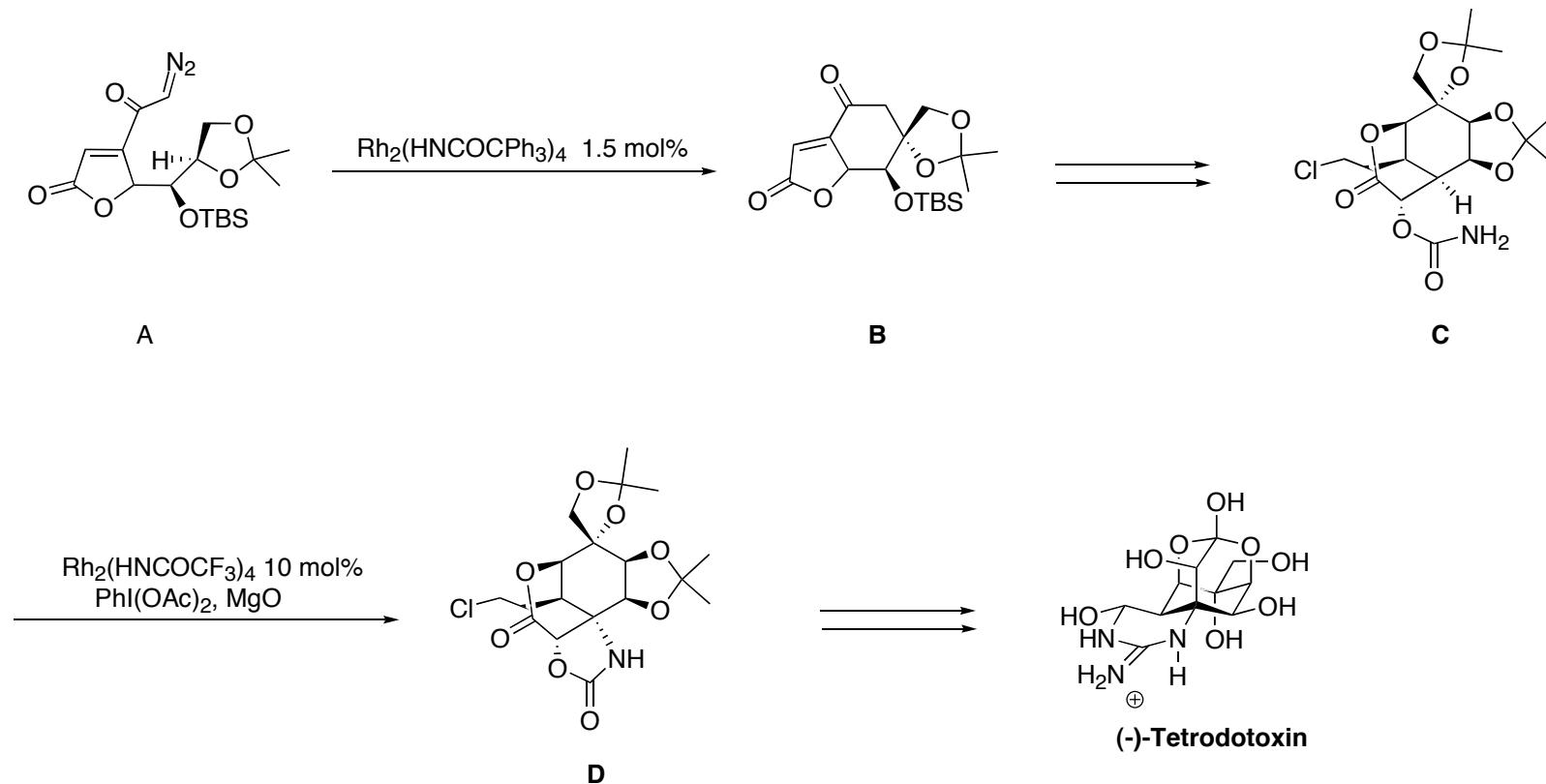
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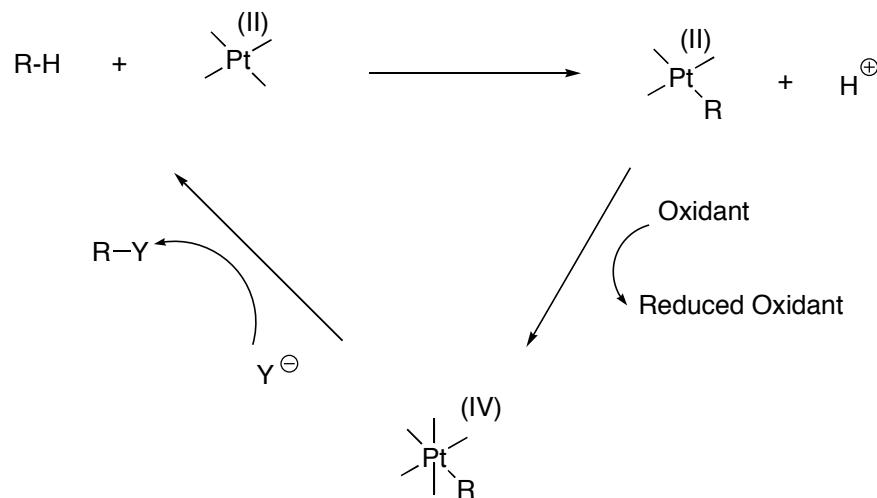
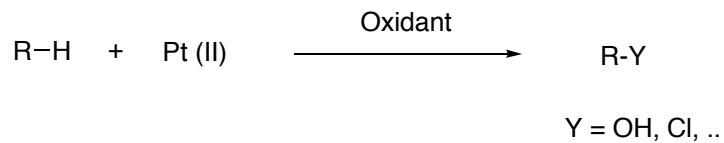
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# Unactivated $\text{sp}^3$ C-H Bond Oxidative Functionalization by Group 10 Metals

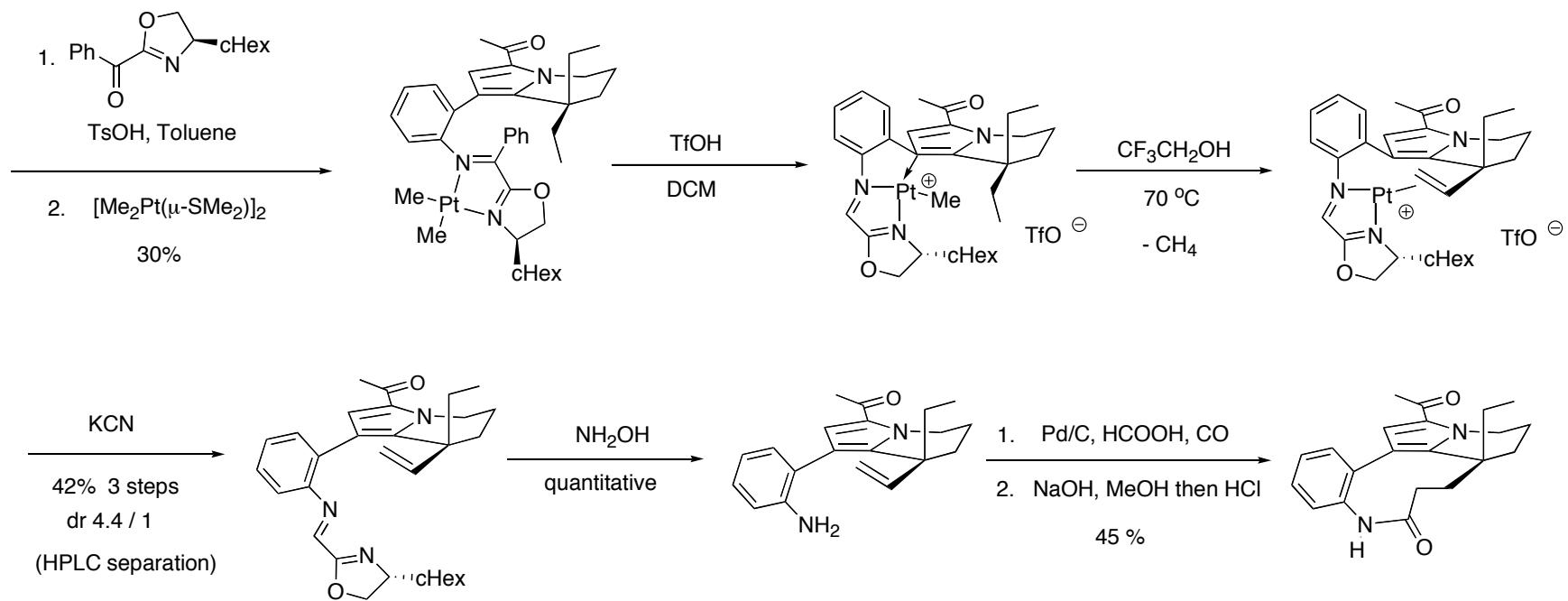
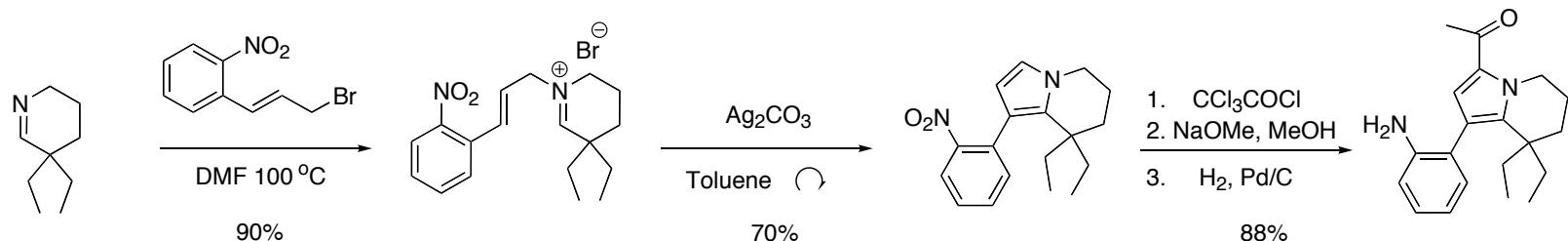
## PROBLEMS:

- a) Harsh reaction conditions: no applications to complex organic molecules
- b) Low TON
- c) Low functional group tolerance
- d) Low level of regioselectivity

## THE KEY:

The use of substrates containing coordinating functional groups that can bind the metal catalyst and direct the oxidation process to a specific  $\text{sp}^3$  C-H bond within the molecule.

# Unactivated $sp^3$ C-H Bond Oxidative Functionalization by Group 10 Metals: Stoichiometric Version

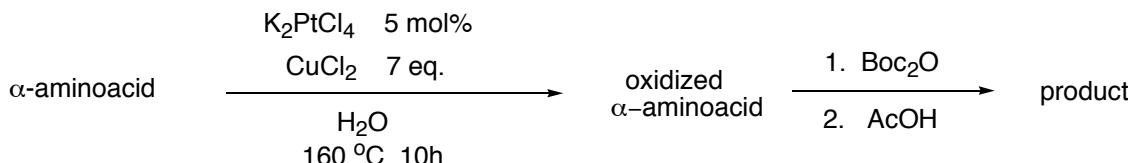


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# Unactivated $\text{sp}^3$ C-H Bond Oxidative Functionalization by Group 10 Metals: Catalytic Version



| Entry | Substrate   | Products Distribution                           | $\gamma/\delta$ | Yield (%) |
|-------|-------------|---|-----------------|-----------|
| 1     | L-Valine    | <br>3                    1                      | —               | 27        |
| 2     | L-Norvaline | <br>2                    1                    1 | 3               | 21        |
| 3     | L-Leucine   | <br>22                  4                    1  | 4.5             | 15        |
| 4     | L-Proline   | NO REACTION                                     | —               | —         |

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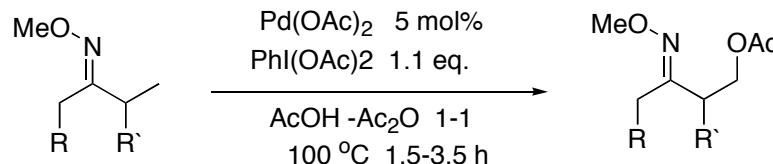
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| Substrate |         | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> 1-6 mol%<br>PhI(OAc) <sub>2</sub> 1.1-1.6 eq.<br>AcOH or CH <sub>3</sub> CN<br>100 °C 12-20 h | Product |         |           |
|-----------|---------|--|---------|---------|-----------|
| Entry     | Product | Yield (%)  | Entry   | Product | Yield (%) |
| 1         |         | 86   | 5       |         | 54        |
| 2         |         | 88   | 6       |         | 72        |
| 3         |         | 80   | 7       |         | 52        |
| 4         |         | 62   | 8       |         | 47        |

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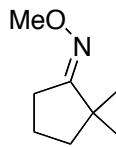
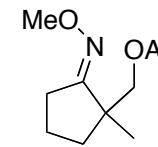
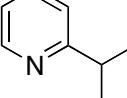
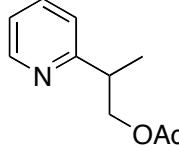
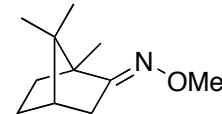
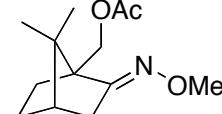
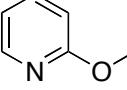
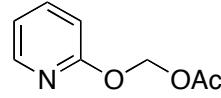
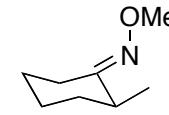
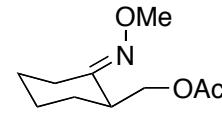
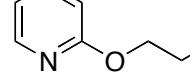
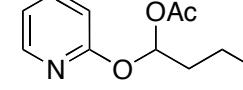
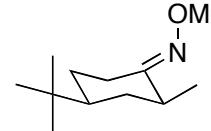
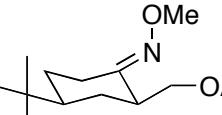
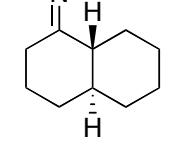
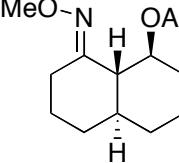
## (I) Palladium-Catalyzed Oxygenation of Unactivated $sp^3$ C-H Bonds



| Entry | Substrate | Product     | Yield (%) |
|-------|-----------|-------------|-----------|
| 1     |           |             | 74        |
| 2     |           |             | 78        |
| 3     |           |             | 39        |
| 4     |           | NO REACTION | —         |
| 5     |           | NO REACTION | —         |

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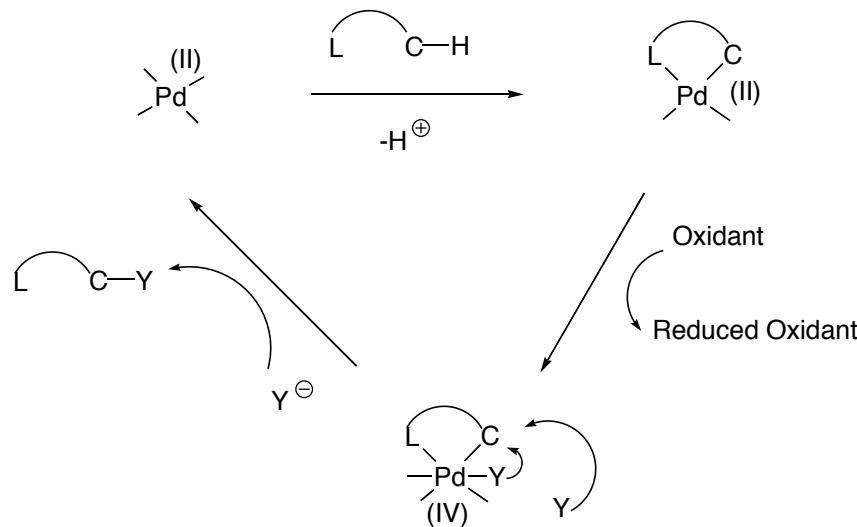
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| Substrate |   | Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> 5 mol%<br>PhI(OAc) <sub>2</sub> 1.1 -3.2 eq.<br>AcOH -Ac <sub>2</sub> O 1-1<br>80-100 °C 5 min- 12h | Product   |       |   |   |           |
|-----------|---|--|-----------|-------|---|---|-----------|
| Entry     | Substrate   | Product  | Yield (%) | Entry | Substrate   | Product   | Yield (%) |
| 1         |    |   | 61        | 5     |    |    | 42        |
| 2         |    |   | 75        | 6     |    |    | 66        |
| 3         |  |                                       | 81        | 7     |  |  | 44        |
| 4         |  |                                       | 86        | 8     |  |  | 81        |

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### (III) Palladium-Catalyzed Oxygenation of Unactivated $sp^3$ C-H Bonds

#### Hypothesized Mechanism



## Summary

- An efficient and highly  $\beta$  selective sp<sup>3</sup> C-H bond oxidative functionalization for O-methyl oximes and pyridines have been described.
- The level of regioselectivity displayed by the described methodology is unprecedented.
- The mild reaction conditions used along with the selectivity displayed, make the methodology a significant potential synthetic tool.
- Future work aimed to elucidate the scope and the mechanism of the transformation described would be of particular interest for the synthetic community.