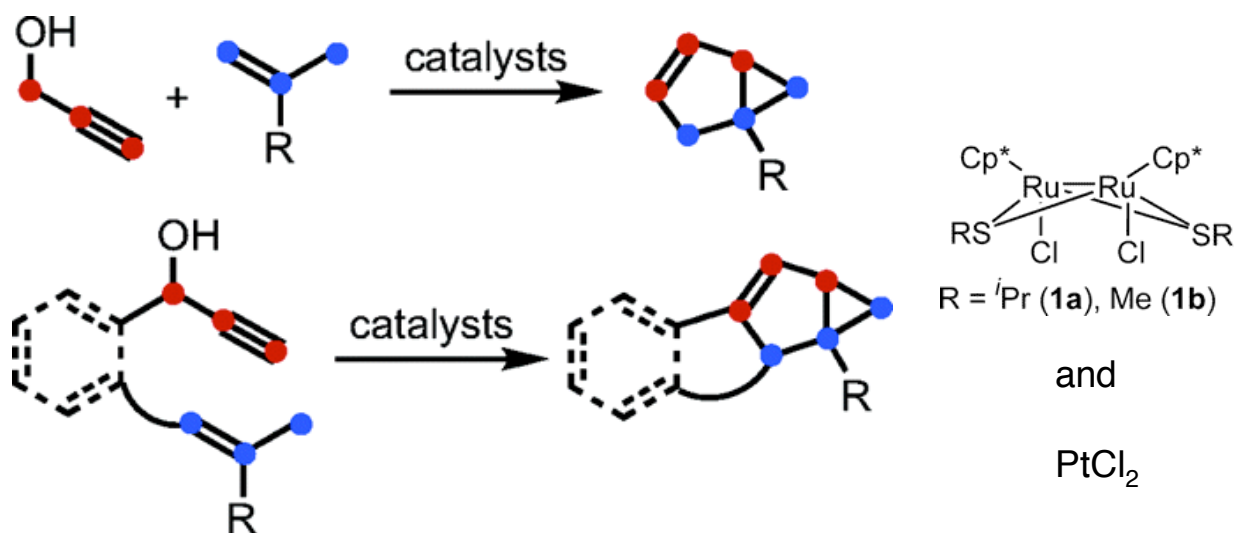


# Ruthenium- and Platinum-Catalyzed Sequential Reactions: Selective Synthesis of Fused Polycyclic Compounds from Propargylic Alcohols and Alkenes

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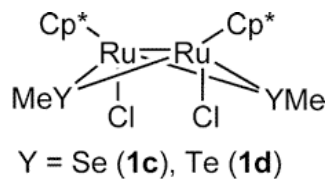
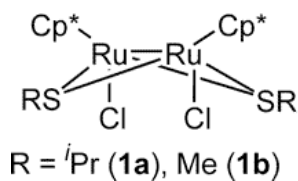
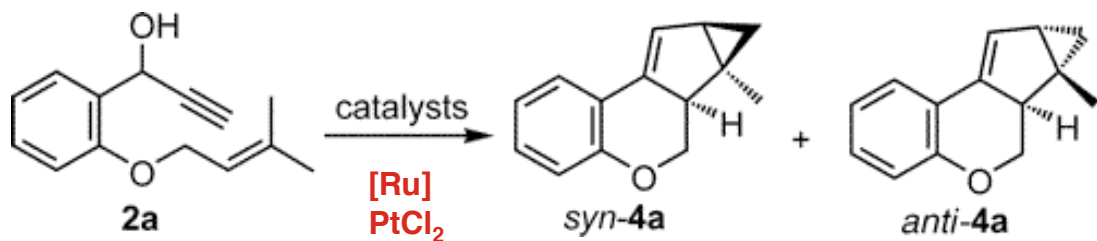
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## Introduction

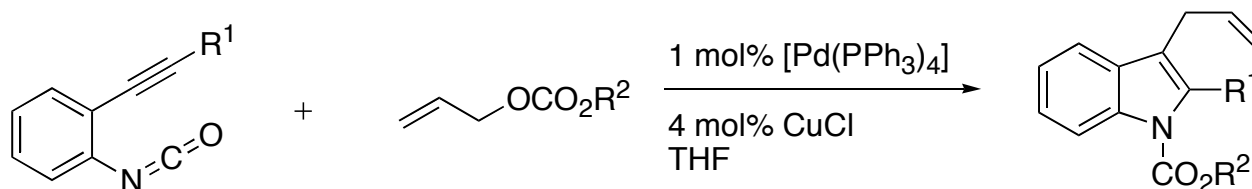
- Bimetallic system, different catalytic cycle, same medium.
- No successive addition of reagents. No change in temperature or atmosphere on the way.



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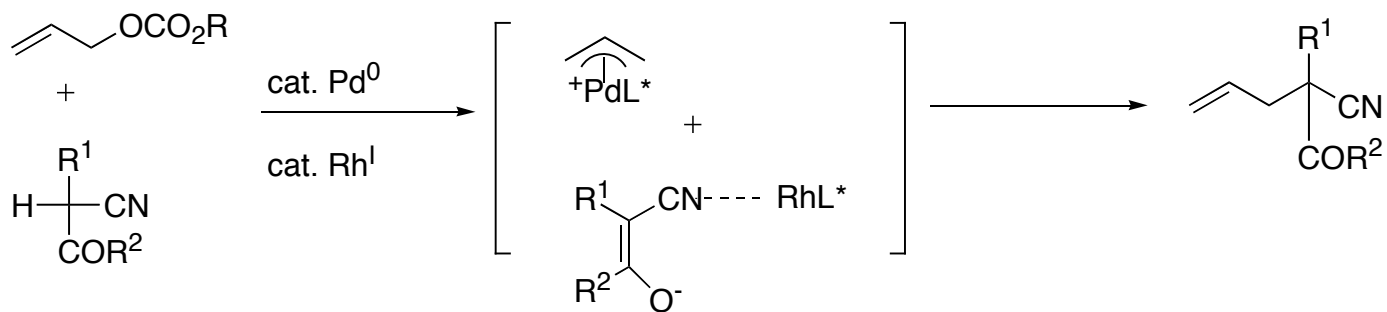
Catalysts activating different functional groups.

Pd<sup>0</sup>-Cu<sup>I</sup> synthesis of indoles from isocyanates:



Yamamoto et al, *ACIEE*, **2002**, 41, 3230.

Asymmetric Tsuji-Trost:

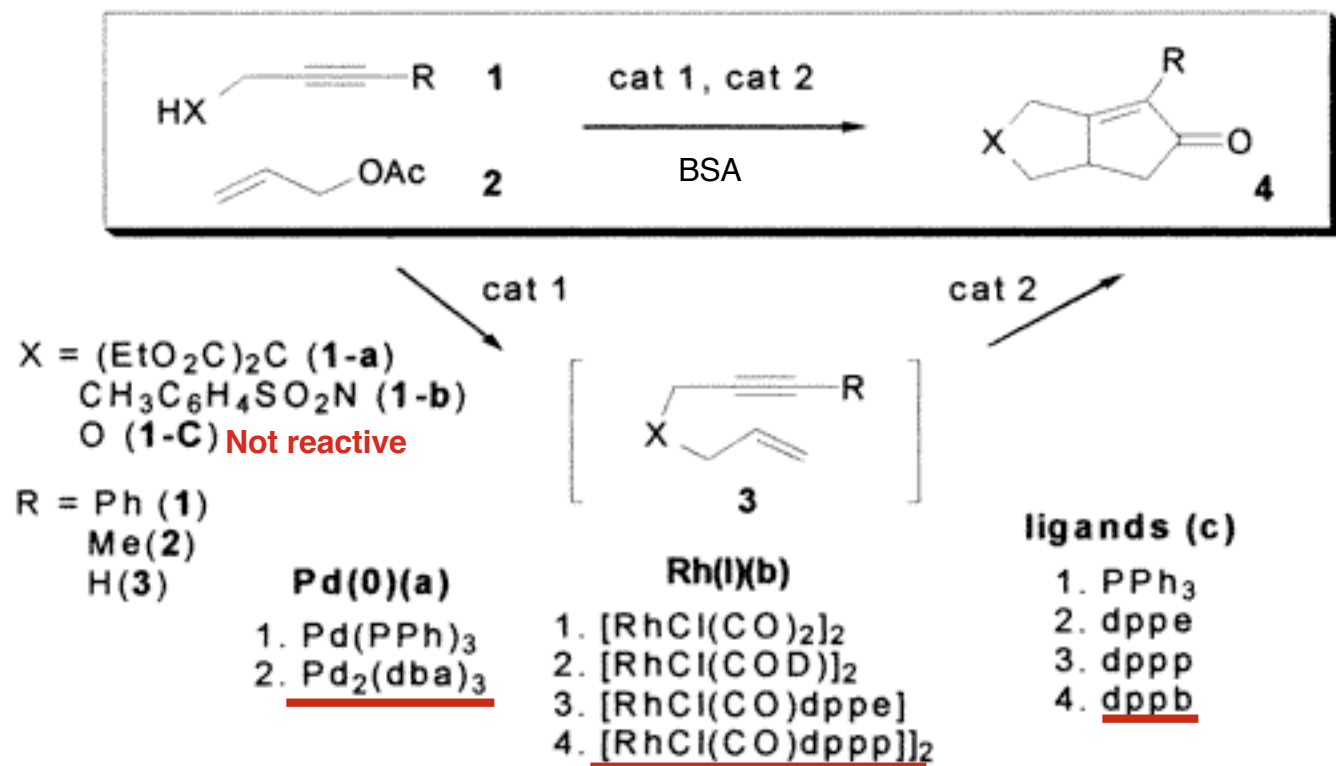


Ito et al, *JACS*, **1996**, 118, 3309.

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Catalysts activating intermediates sequentially.

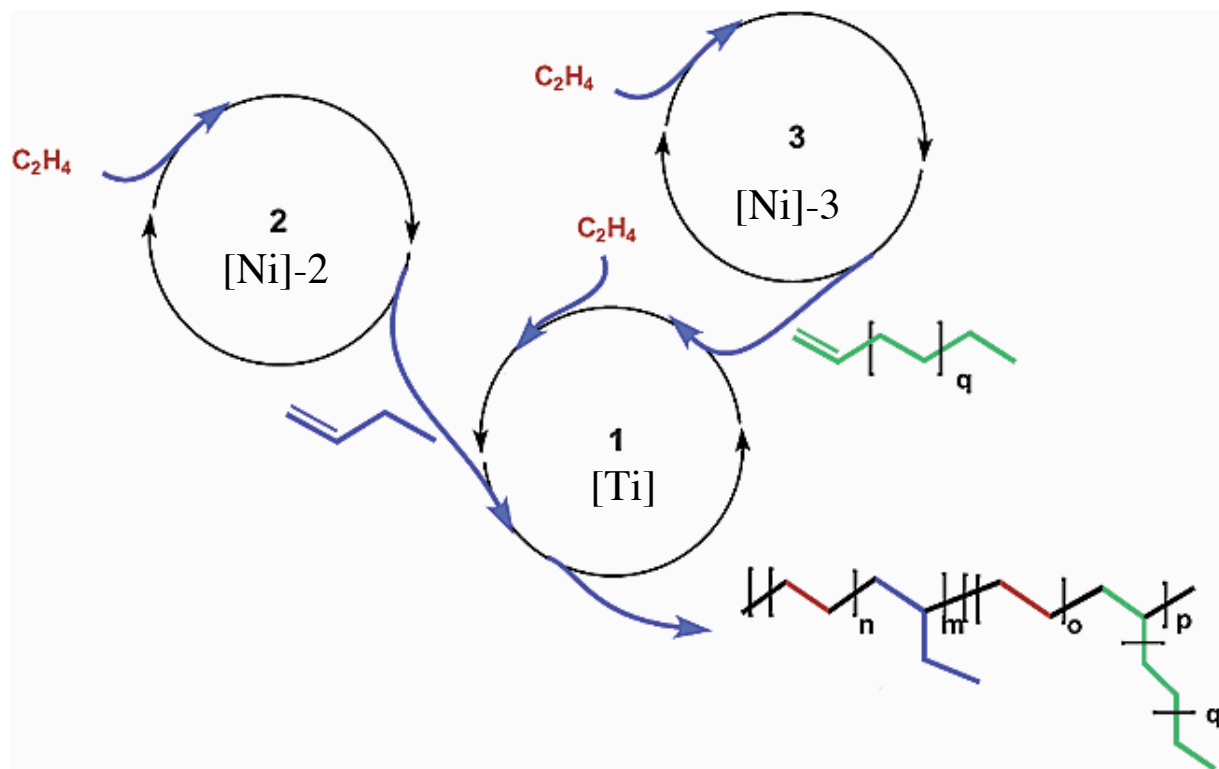
Pd<sup>0</sup>-Rh<sup>I</sup> synthesis of bicyclopentenones:



Jeong et al, *JACS*, **2000**, 122, 10220

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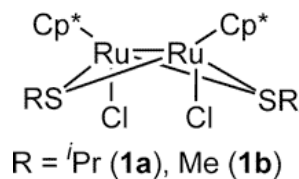
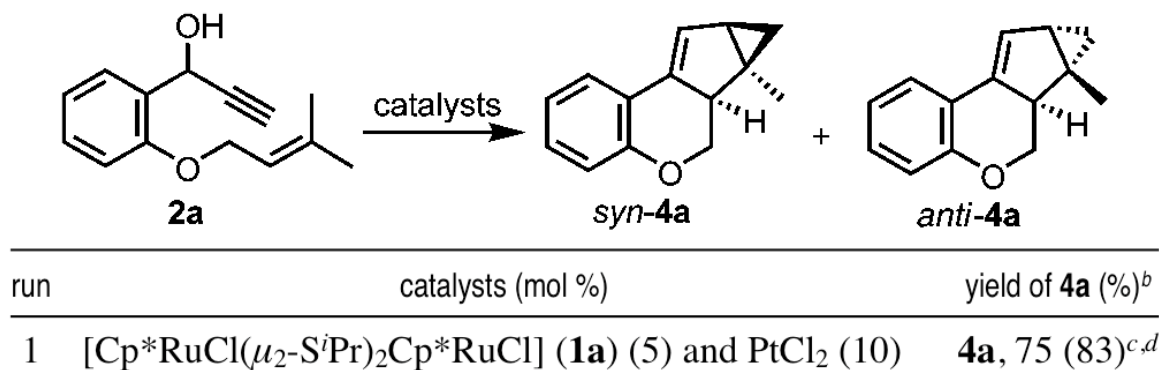
Triple Tandem catalysts mix synthesis of polyethylenes:



Bazan et al, *JACS*, **2002**, 124, 15280.

## Results and Discussion

**Table 1.** Reaction of Propargylic Alcohol (**2a**) in the Presence of Chalcogenolate-Bridged Diruthenium Complex (**1**) and Other Catalyst<sup>a</sup>



Best conditions: ClCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl, NH<sub>4</sub>BF<sub>4</sub> (10 mol%), 60 °C, 24h.

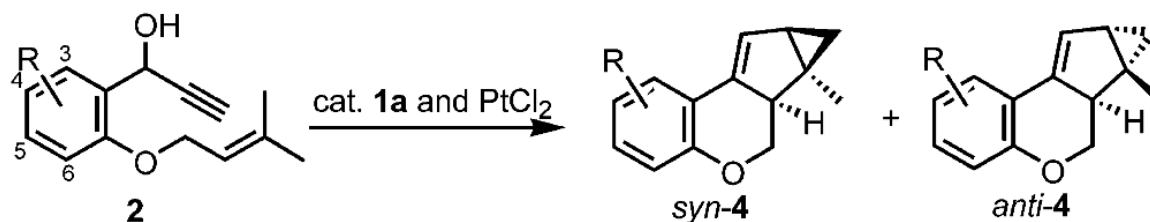
PtCl<sub>4</sub>, PdCl<sub>2</sub>, AuCl<sub>3</sub> and [Rh(OAc)<sub>2</sub>]<sub>2</sub> not effective.

Selenolate-bridged diruthenium complex afforded moderate yield, but the Tellurolate one provided low yield.

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Scope and limitation:

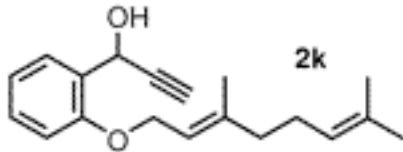
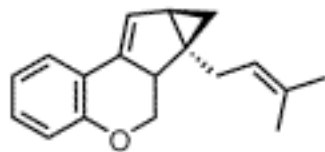
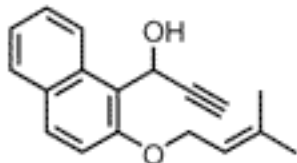
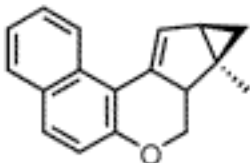
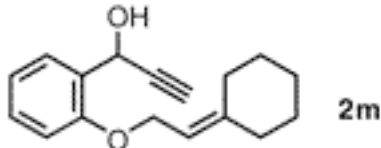
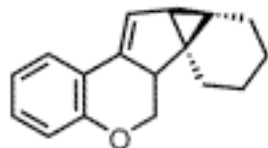
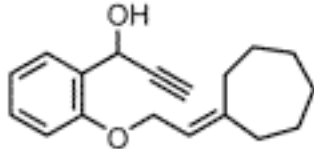
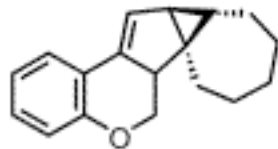
**Table 2.** Reaction of Various Propargylic Alcohols (**2**) in the Presence of  $[\text{Cp}^*\text{RuCl}(\mu_2\text{-S}^i\text{Pr})_2\text{RuCp}^*\text{Cl}]$  (**1a**) and  $\text{PtCl}_2^a$



| run | propargylic alcohol               | yield of <b>4</b> (%) <sup>b</sup> | ratio of isomers <sup>c</sup> ( <i>syn-4</i> : <i>anti-4</i> ) |
|-----|-----------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1   | <b>2a</b> , R = H                 | <b>4a</b> , 75                     | 92:8                                                           |
| 2   | <b>2b</b> , R = 4-Me              | <b>4b</b> , 76                     | 91:9                                                           |
| 3   | <b>2c</b> , R = 4-OMe             | <b>4c</b> , 66                     | 92:8                                                           |
| 4   | <b>2d</b> , R = 4-Cl              | <b>4d</b> , 65                     | 94:6                                                           |
| 5   | <b>2e</b> , R = 4-Br              | <b>4e</b> , 69                     | 93:7                                                           |
| 6   | <b>2f</b> , R = 4-NO <sub>2</sub> | <b>4f</b> , 70                     | 95:5                                                           |
| 7   | <b>2g</b> , R = 6-Me              | <b>4g</b> , 83                     | 92:8                                                           |
| 8   | <b>2h</b> , R = 6-OMe             | <b>4h</b> , 81                     | 92:8                                                           |
| 9   | <b>2i</b> , R = 4-Cl, 6-Cl        | <b>4i</b> , 38                     | 98:2                                                           |
| 10  | <b>2j</b> , R = 4-Br, 6-Br        | <b>4j</b> , 39                     | 93:7                                                           |

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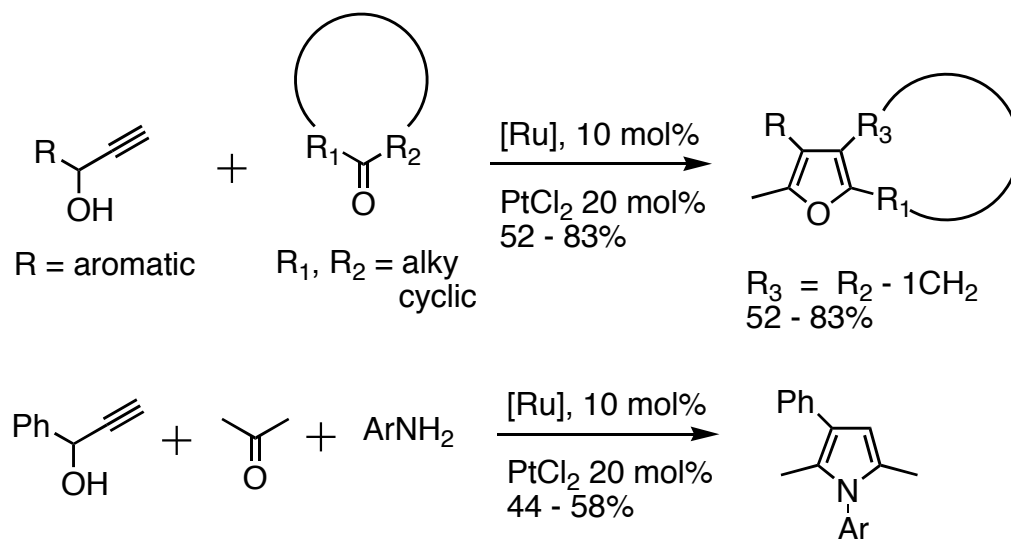
## Scope and limitation:

| run | propargylic alcohol                                                                           | polycyclic compound ( <i>syn-4</i> )                                                 | yield of <b>4</b> (%) <sup>b</sup> | ratio of isomers <sup>c</sup><br>( <i>syn-4</i> : <i>anti-4</i> ) |
|-----|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1   |  <b>2k</b>   |    | 86 ( <b>4k</b> )                   | 77 : 23                                                           |
| 2   |  <b>2l</b>   |    | 68 ( <b>4l</b> )                   | 62 : 38                                                           |
| 3   |  <b>2m</b>  |   | 90 ( <b>4m</b> )                   | >95 : <5                                                          |
| 4   |  <b>2n</b> |  | 89 ( <b>4n</b> )                   | >95 : <5                                                          |

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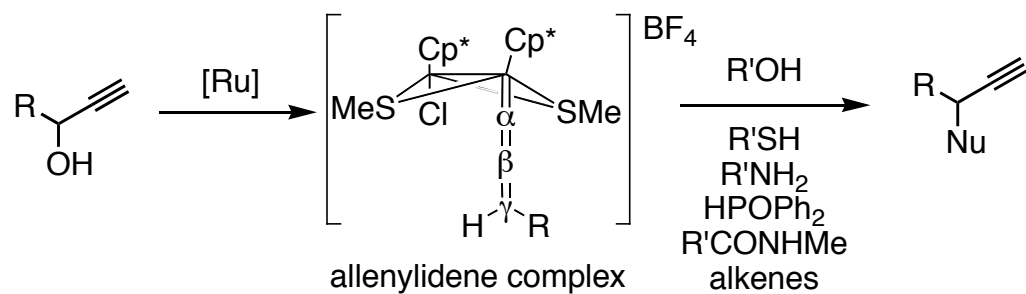


[Ru]/PtCl<sub>2</sub> system and the synthesis of furans and pyrroles:

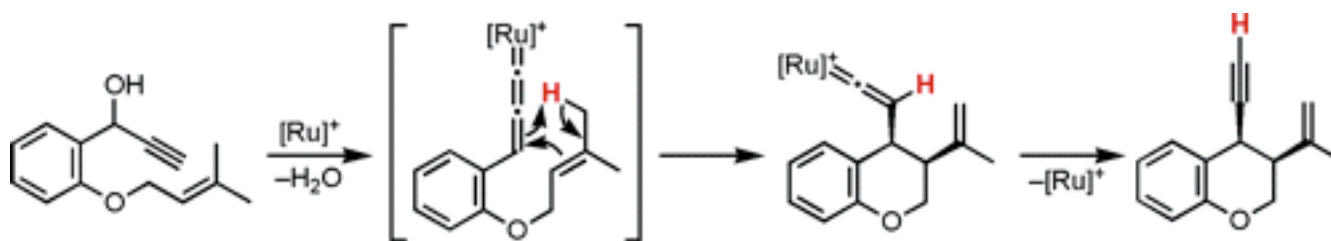


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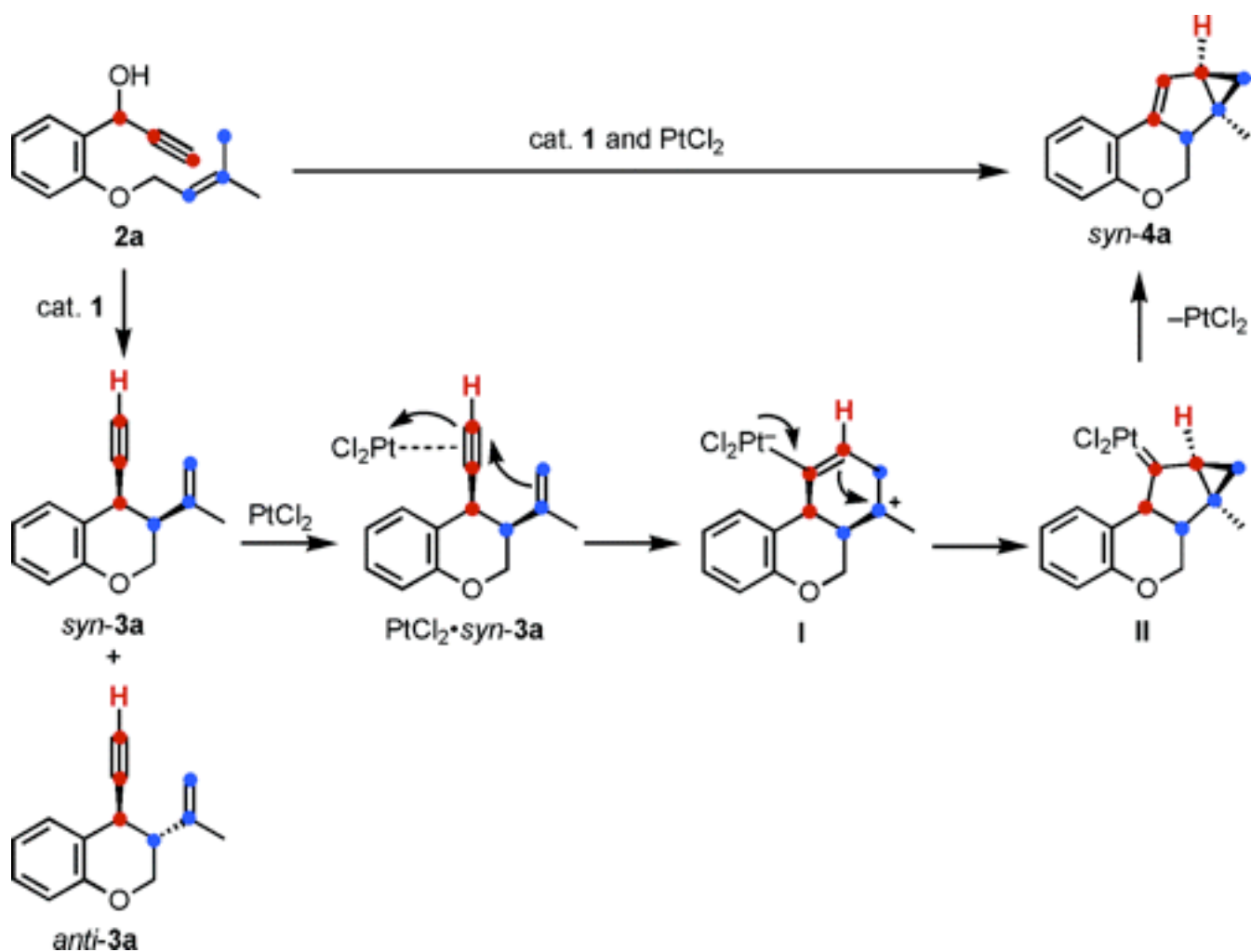
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## Conclusion

- Fused polycyclic compounds made through a bimetallic catalytic system in a sequential [Ru]<sup>I</sup> promoted propargylic alcohol substitution, followed by a PtCl<sub>2</sub> cycloisomerisation.
- Catalysts operating in the same conditions. Simple experiment set up.
- Moderate to excellent yields, good diastereoselectivity.
- Broadening of the scope of the sequence is necessary.
- Application in natural products synthesis was not mentioned.