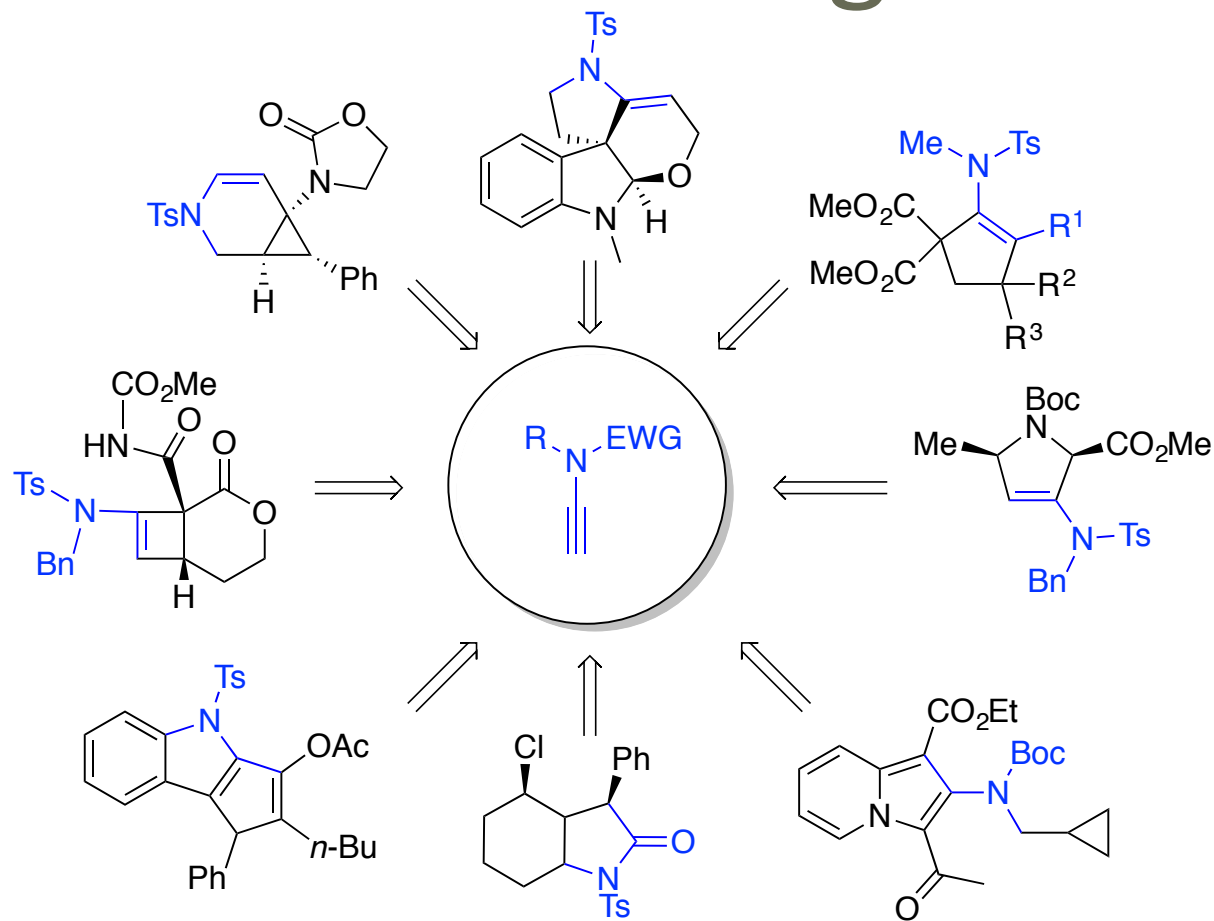


Cyclizations of Ynamides to Generate Novel Ring Structures



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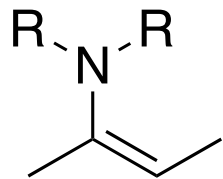
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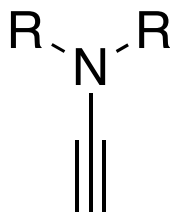


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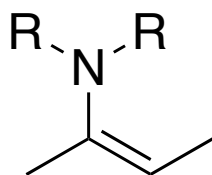
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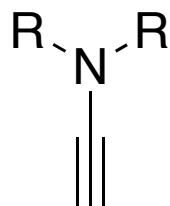


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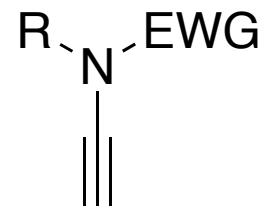


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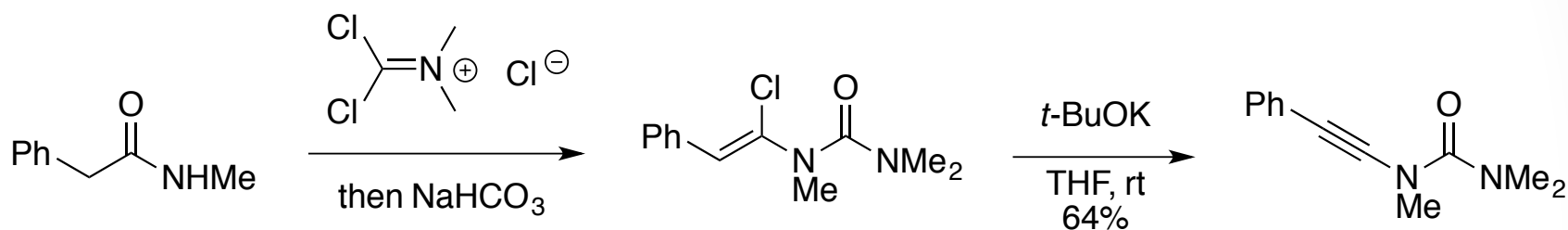
First isolated in
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Of great interest in
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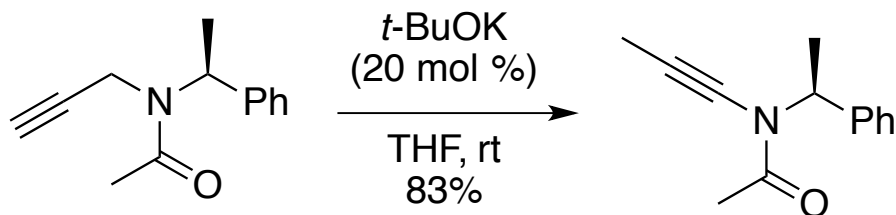
Bench stable!

Synthesis of Ynamides: State of the Art Before 2003

- Elimination



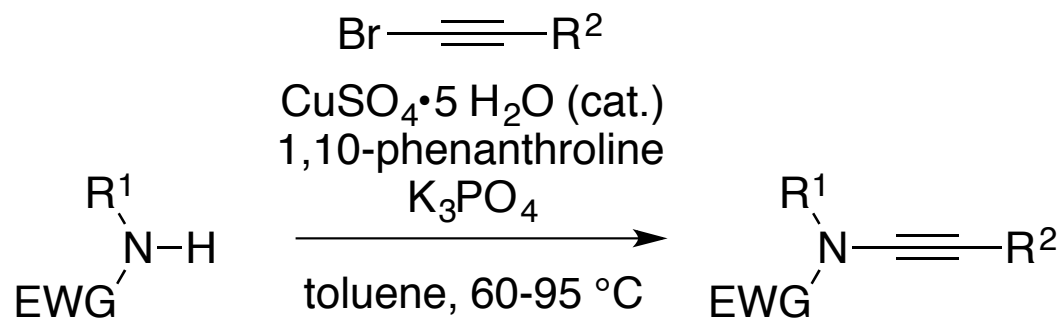
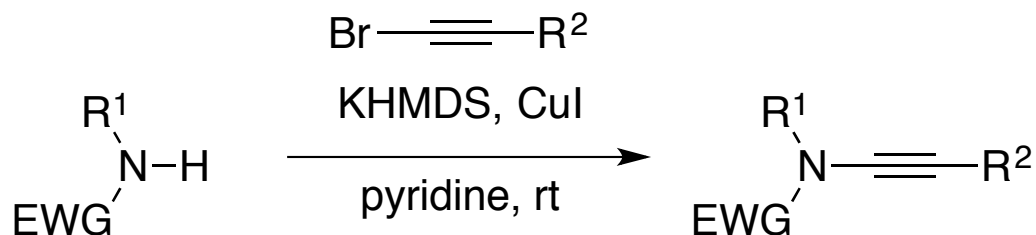
- Isomerization



Janousek, Z.; Collard, J.; Viehe, H. G. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **1972**, *11*, 917

Huang, J.; Xiong, H.; Hsung, R. P.; Rameshkumar, C.; Mulder, J. A. Grebe, T. P. *Org. Lett.* **2002**, *4*, 2417

Discovery of Cu mediated coupling

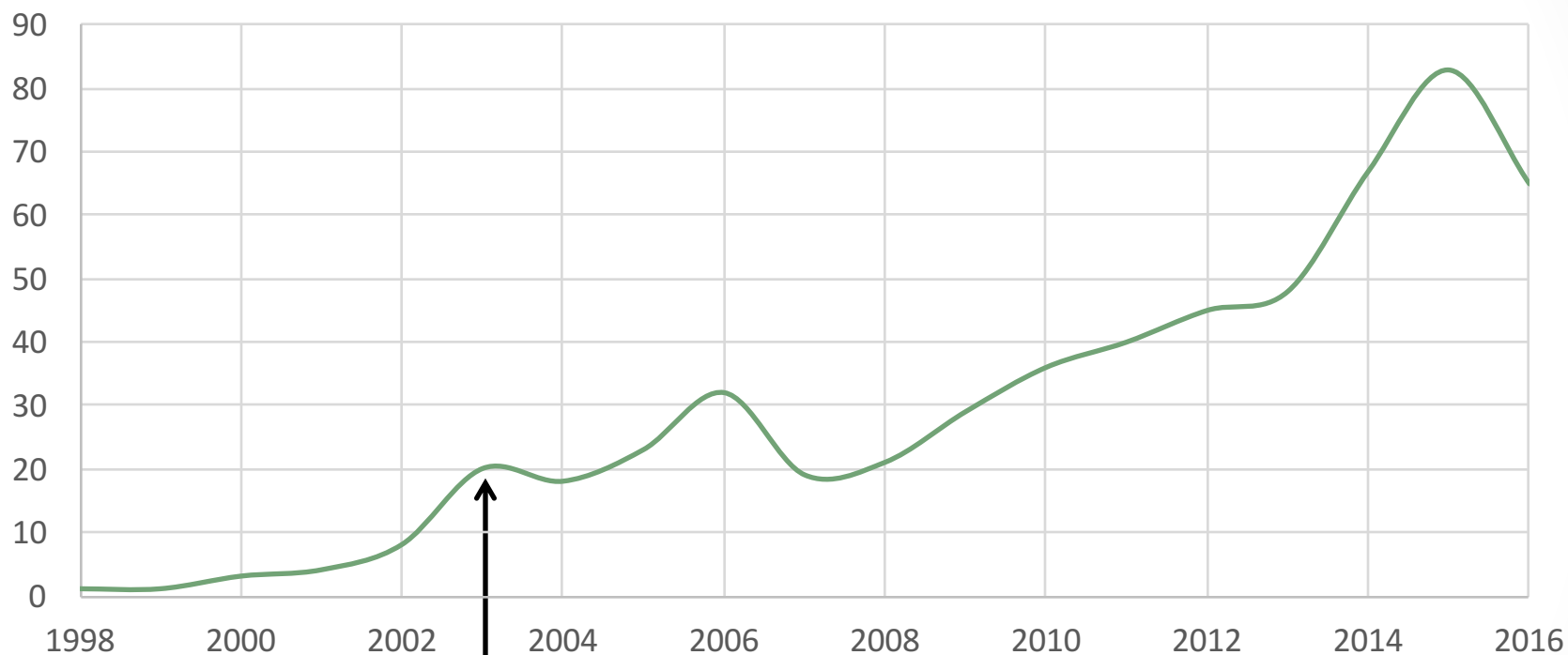


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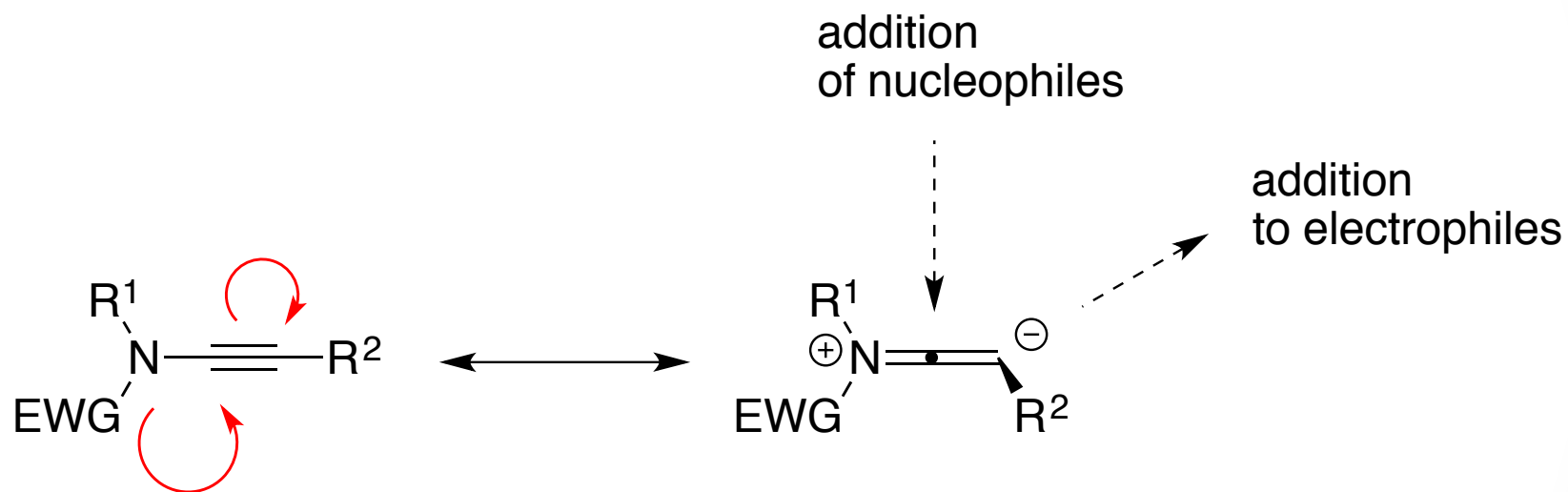
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Occurrence of "Ynamides" in the Literature (SciFinder search, 7/18/16)



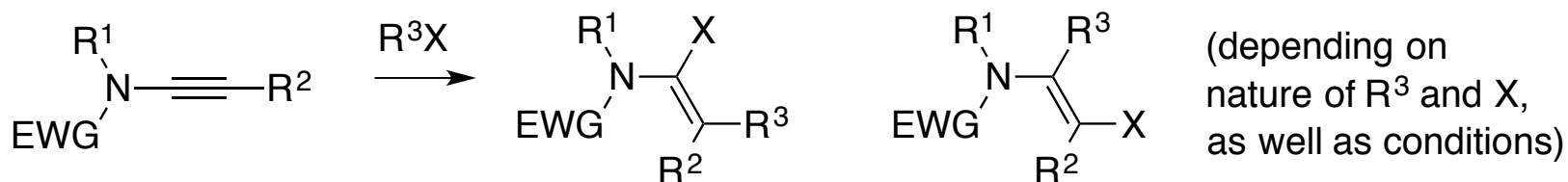
2003: Hsung and Danheiser each publish Cu-mediated ynamide syntheses

Reactivity of Ynamides



Major achievements: ca. 2002-2010

- Hydrofunctionalization
 - Hydroboration, hydrostannylation, etc.
- Additions
 - Control of regioselectivity



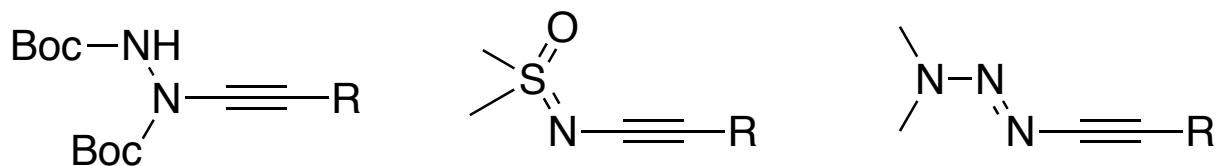
- Classic alkyne cycloaddition chemistry
 - [2+2]/[3+2]/[4+2]/[2+2+2]

DeKorver, K. A.; Li, H.; Lohse, A. G.; Hayashi, R.; Lu, Z.; Zhang, Y.; Hsung, R. P.
Chem. Rev. **2010**, *110*, 5064-5106

Evano, G.; Coste, A.; Jouvin, K. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2010**, *49*, 2840-2859

Where has the ynamide frontier grown in the last 2-3 years?

- Development of functional analogs of ynamides:



- Increasing array of additions/hydrofunctionalizations

Lu, T.; Hsung, R. P. *ARKIVOC* **2014**, 127-141

Perrin, F. G.; Kiefer, G.; Jeanbourquin, L.; Racine, S.; Perrotta, D.; Waser, J.; Scopelliti, R.; Severin, K. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2015**, *54* (45), 13393-13396

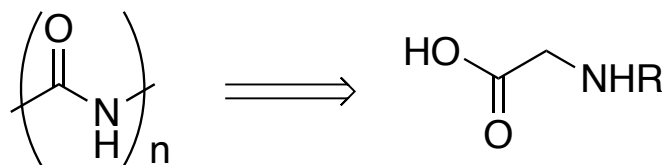
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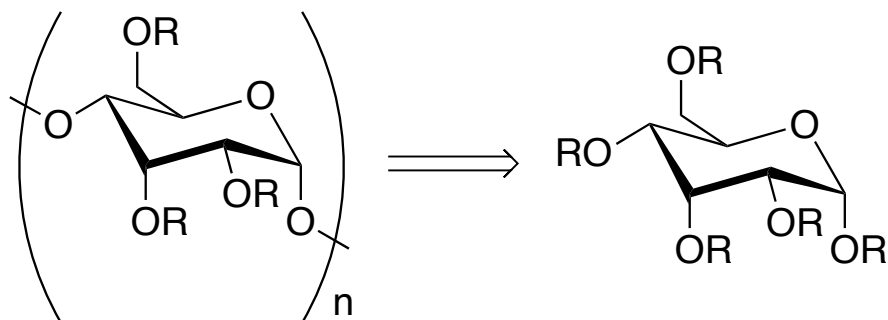
- **Development of Cycloadditions and Cyclizations: focus of present talk**
 - Cycloadducts of increasing complexity
 - Novel modes of reactivity/mechanistic aspects
 - Use of cheap and abundant catalysts/reagents

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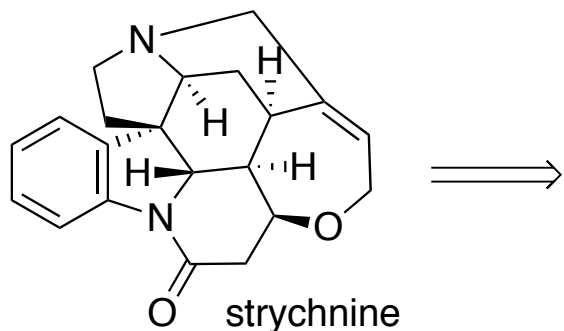
What is the overarching problem to which ynamide cyclizations contribute?



Solid phase peptide synthesis:
Established Methodology



Oligosaccharide synthesis:
Challenging but a constantly
developing field



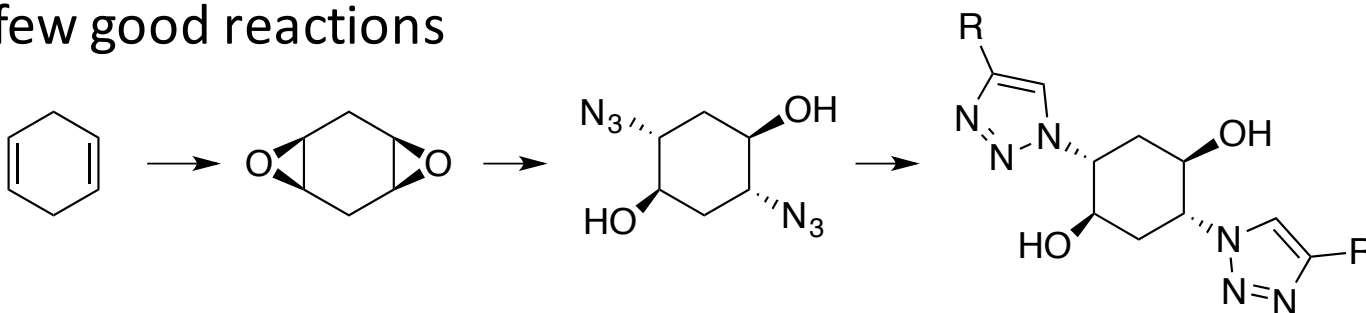
Polycyclic, complex molecules:

Structure dependent, no general
set of building blocks

A massive, long lasting problem!

What Paradigms Address this Problem?

- Scriber- Diversity Oriented Synthesis: Building Rapid Diversity into new chemical space
- Sharpless- Click Chemistry: Diverse Chemical Function through a few good reactions



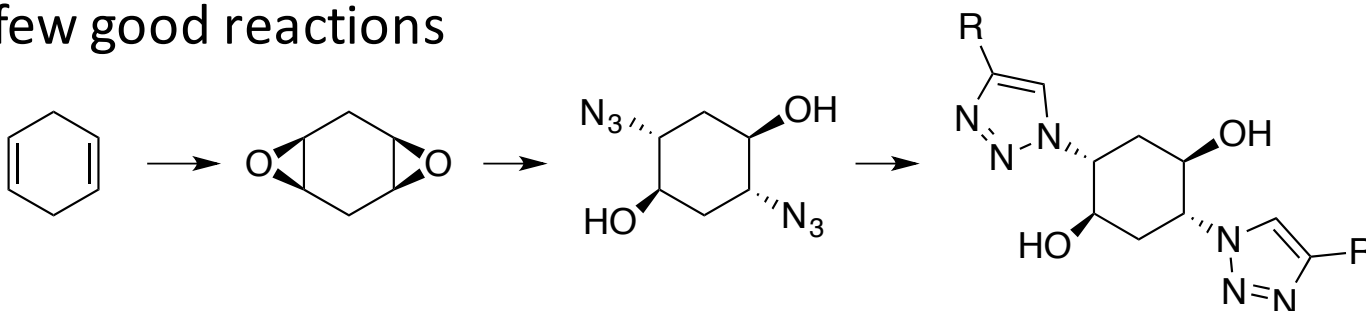
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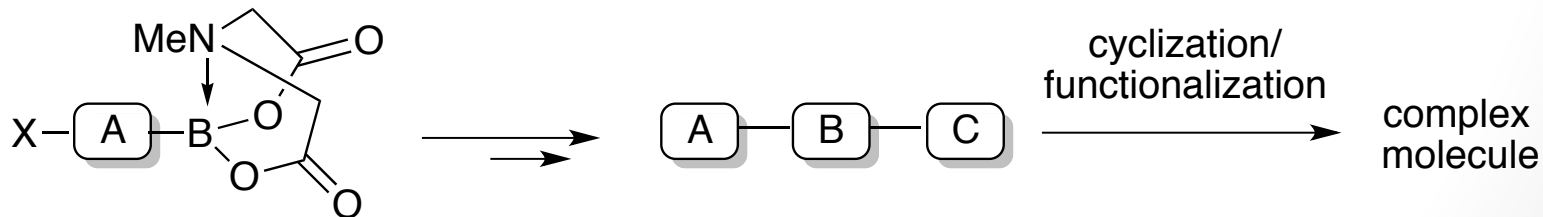
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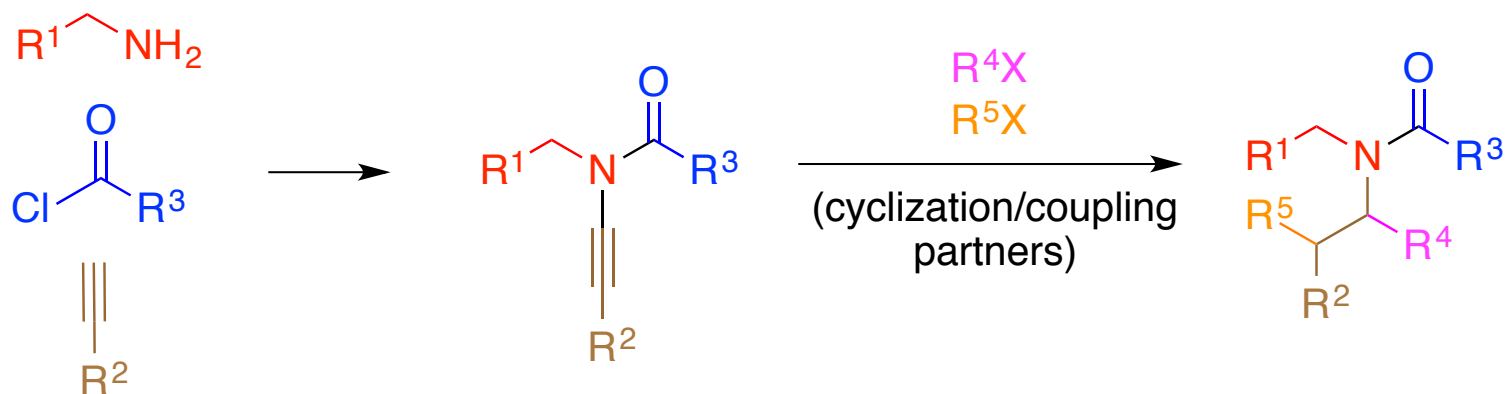
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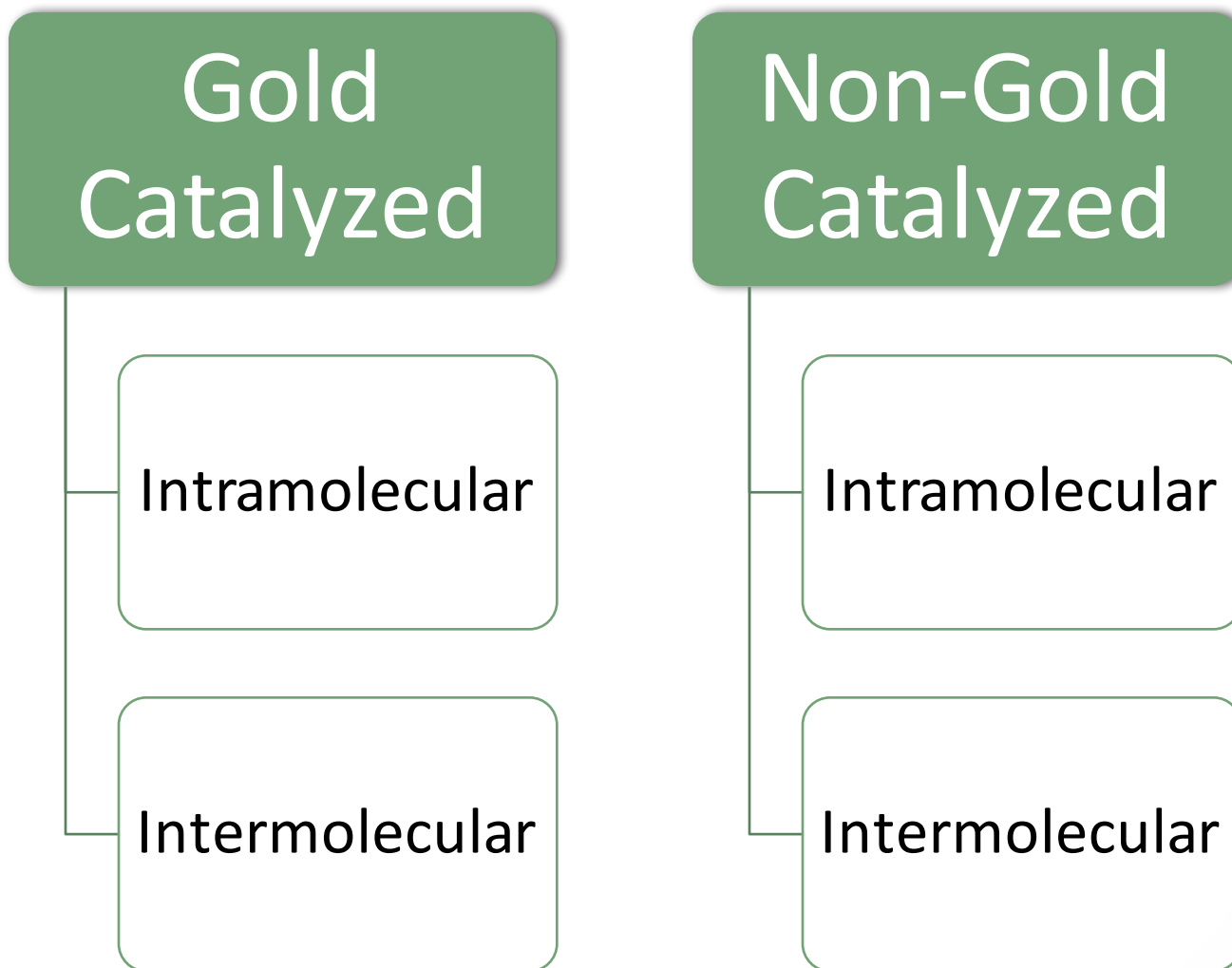
Ynamides: Potential Contributors as Tunable, Reactive Building Blocks

- A “building block” approach to alkaloids and heterocycles



- R's can be linked in a variety of ways: many novel cyclic structures are possible

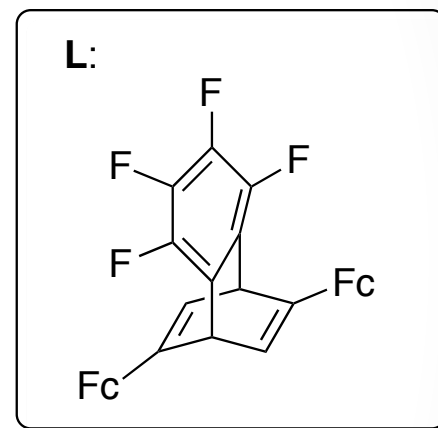
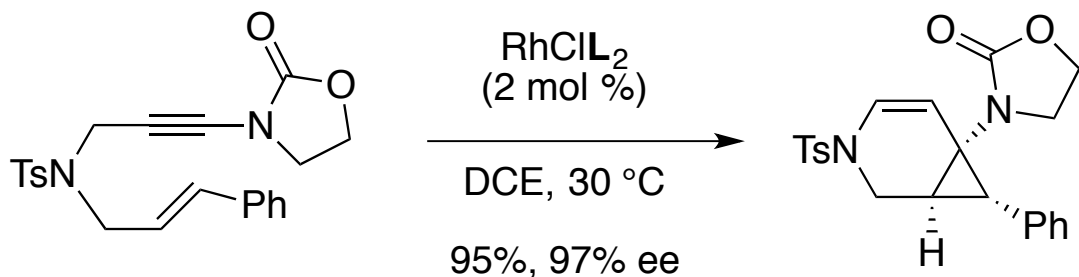
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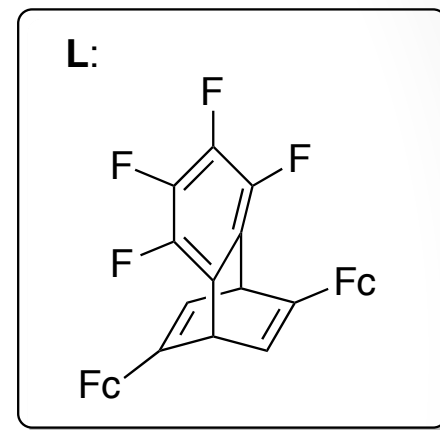
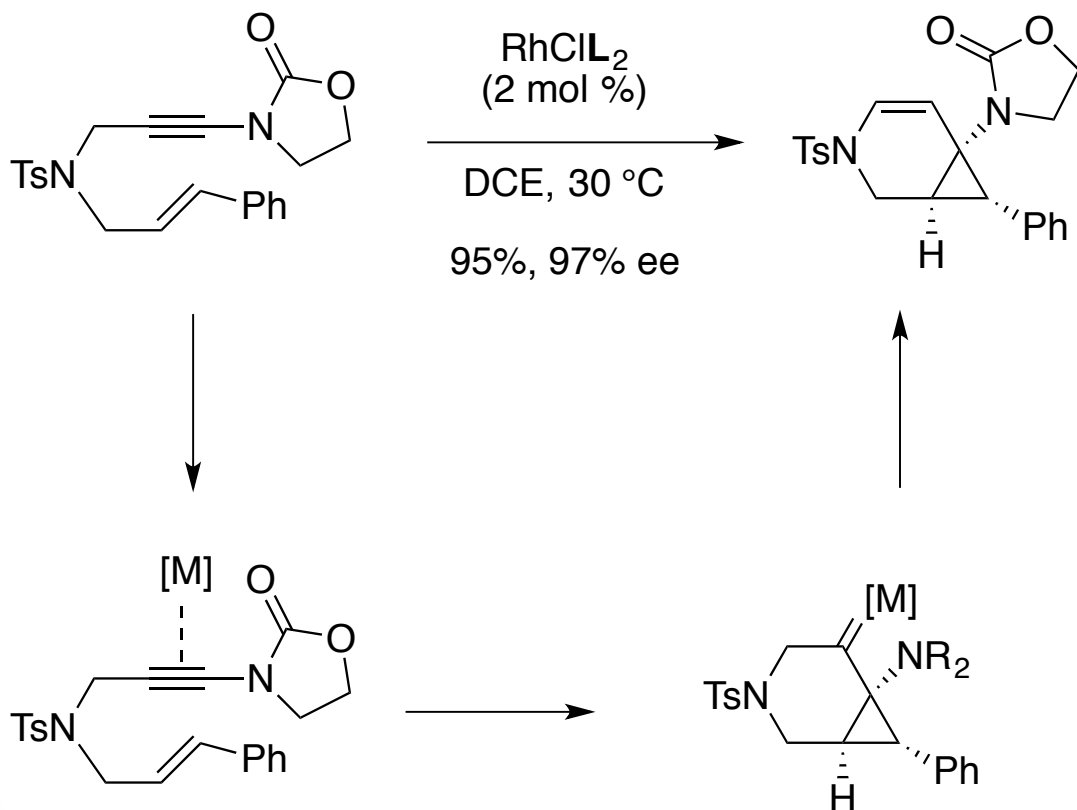
Part 1A: “Gold Free”, intramolecular

- Transition metal catalyzed enyne/diyne cyclizations
- Lewis acid mediated cyclizations

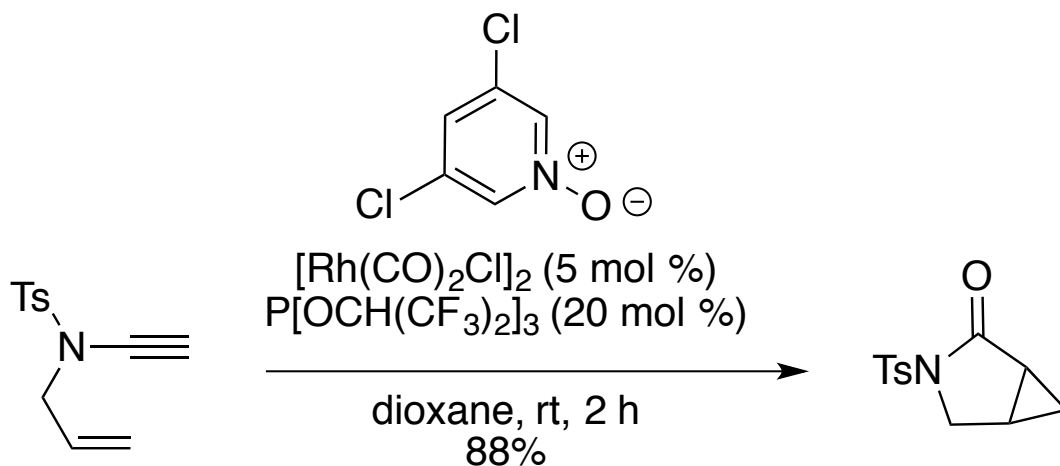
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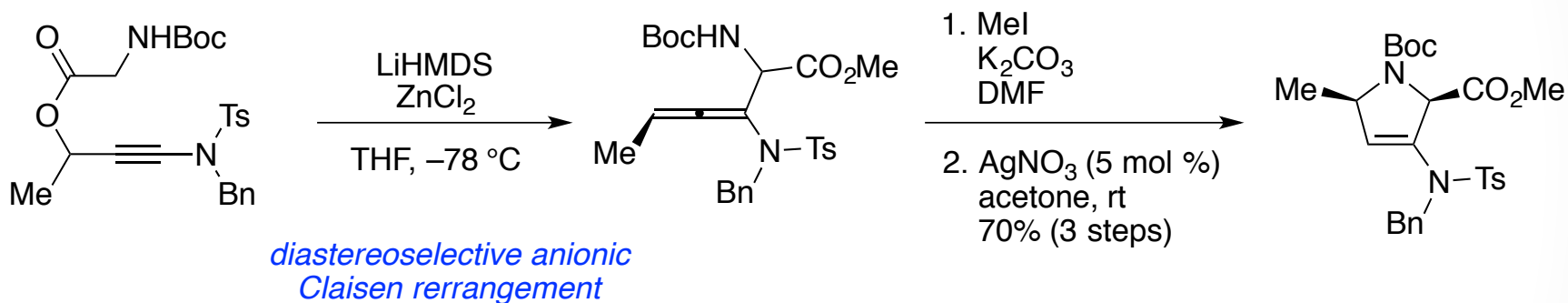
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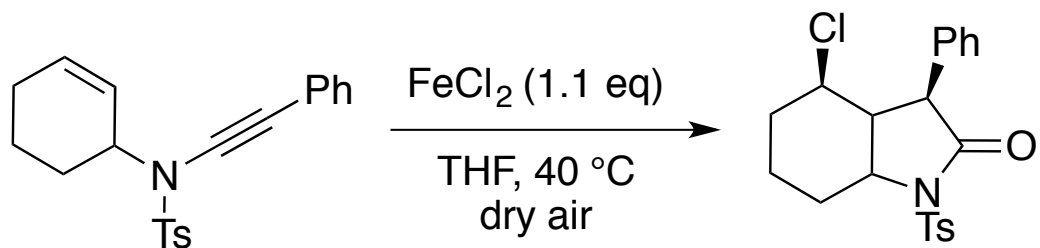
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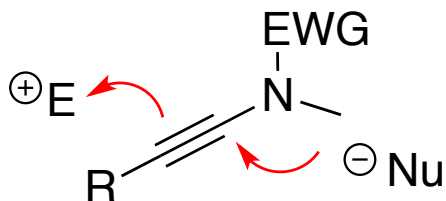


Lewis acid mediated cyclization

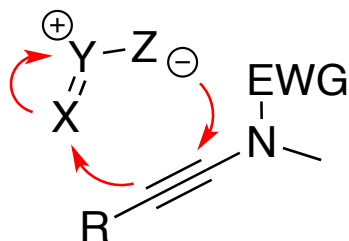


Part 1B: “Gold Free”, intermolecular

- [2+2] “Ficini” reactions
- Lewis/Bronsted acid mediated cyclizations

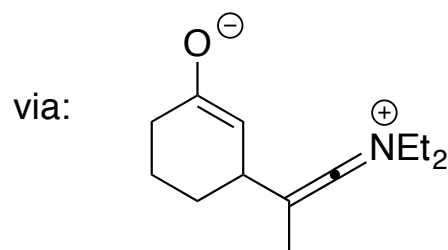
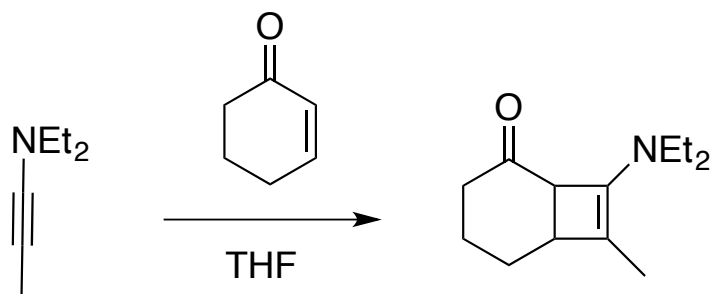


- Dipolar cycloadditions



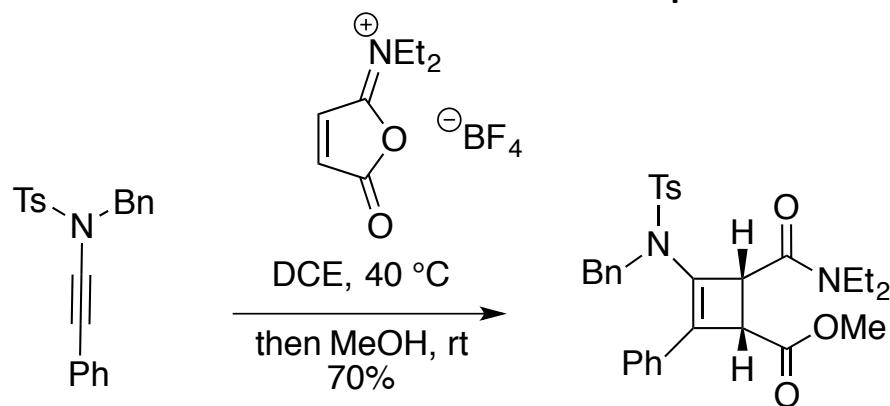
- Cyclizations involving azides or diazo compounds

Ficini [2+2] addition

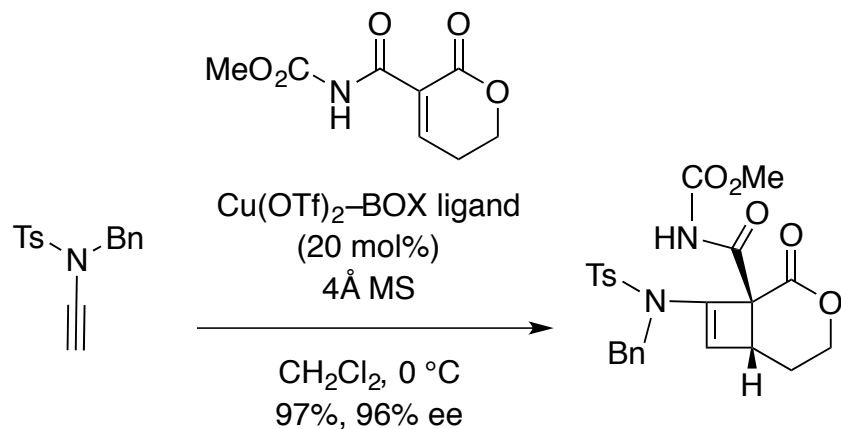


Modern ynamide Ficini reactions

- Facile addition with activated alkene partner:



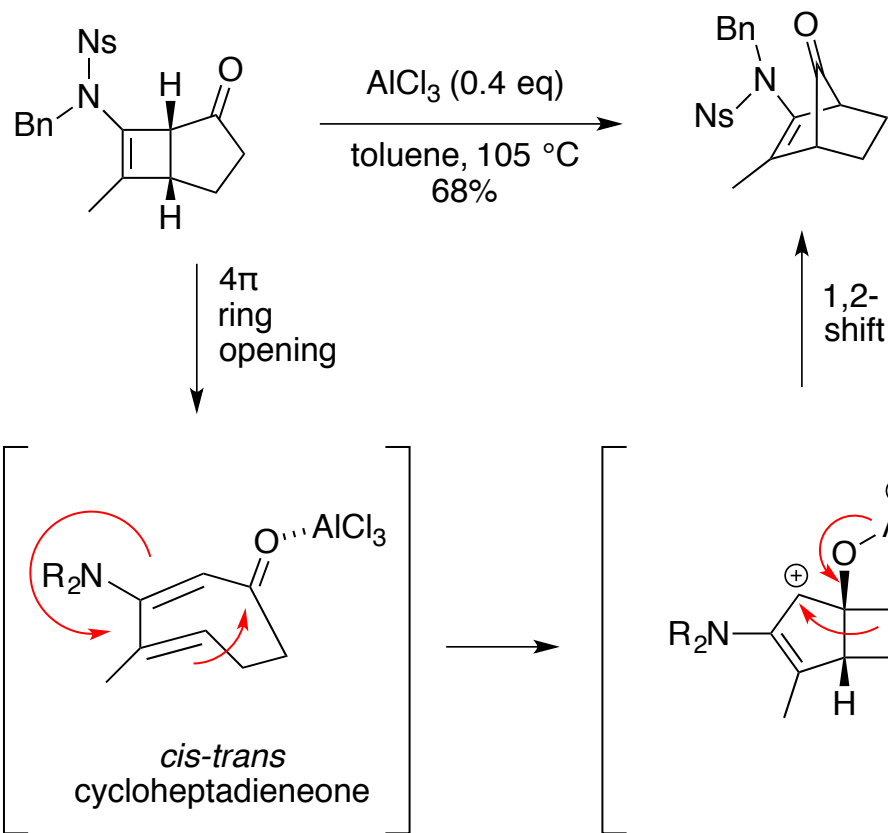
- Enantioselective addition:



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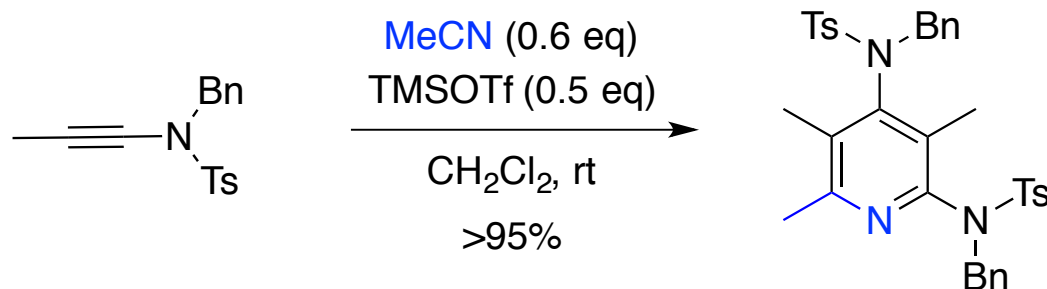
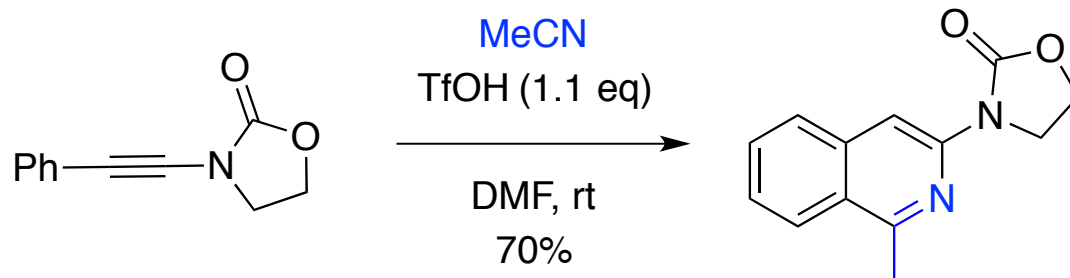
Ficini adduct opening



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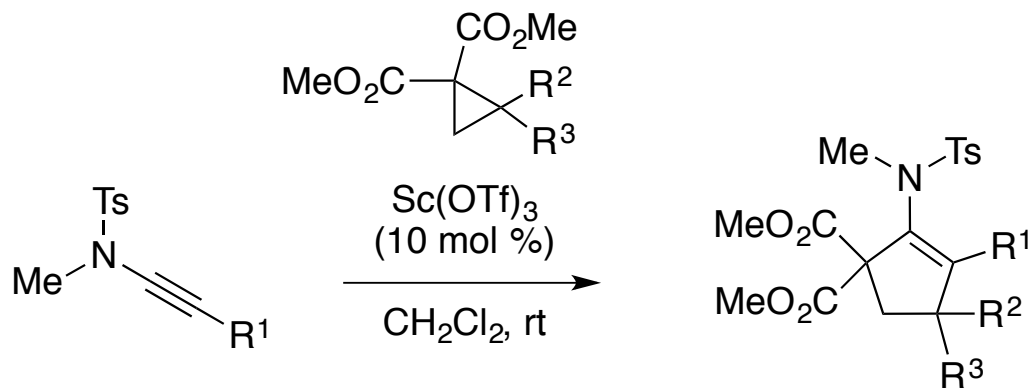
Acid-mediated quinoline/ pyridine syntheses



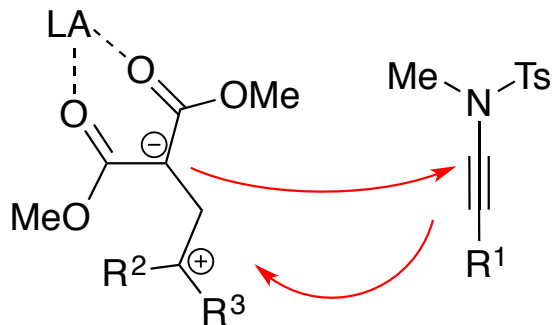
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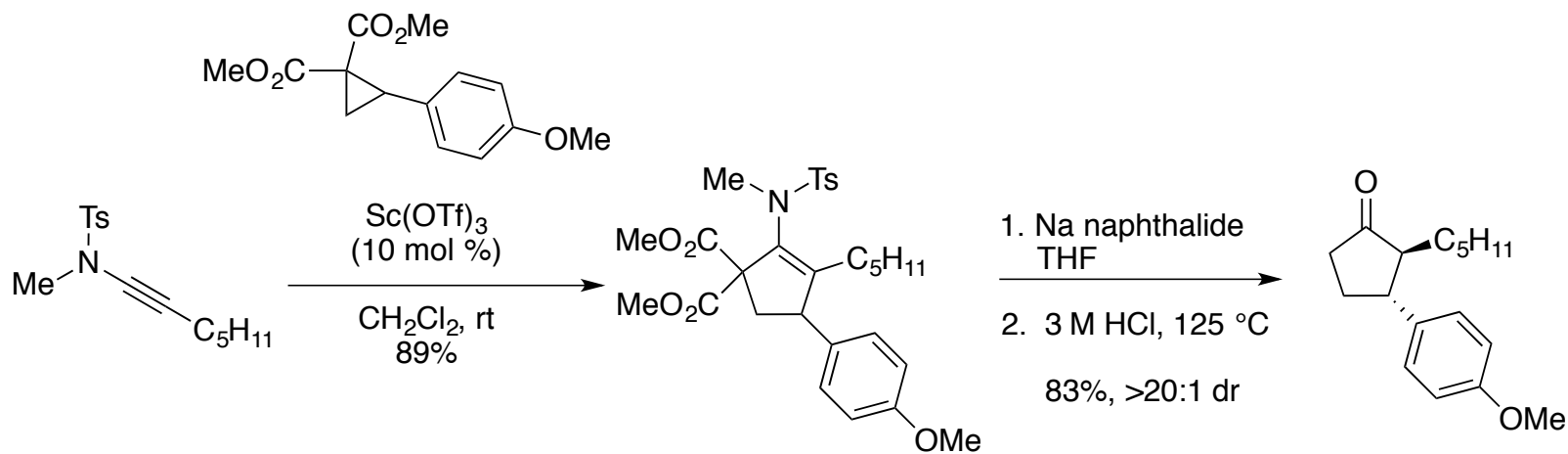
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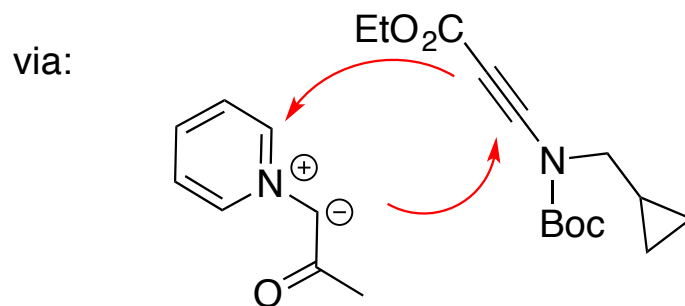
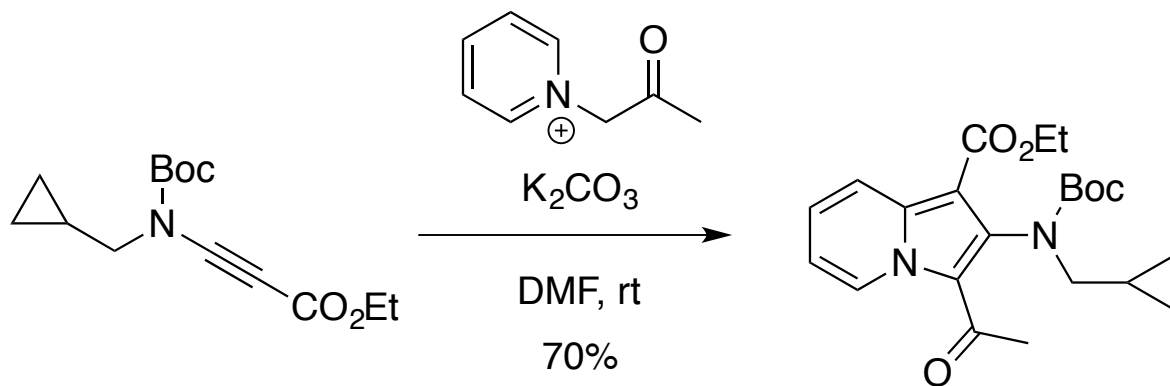
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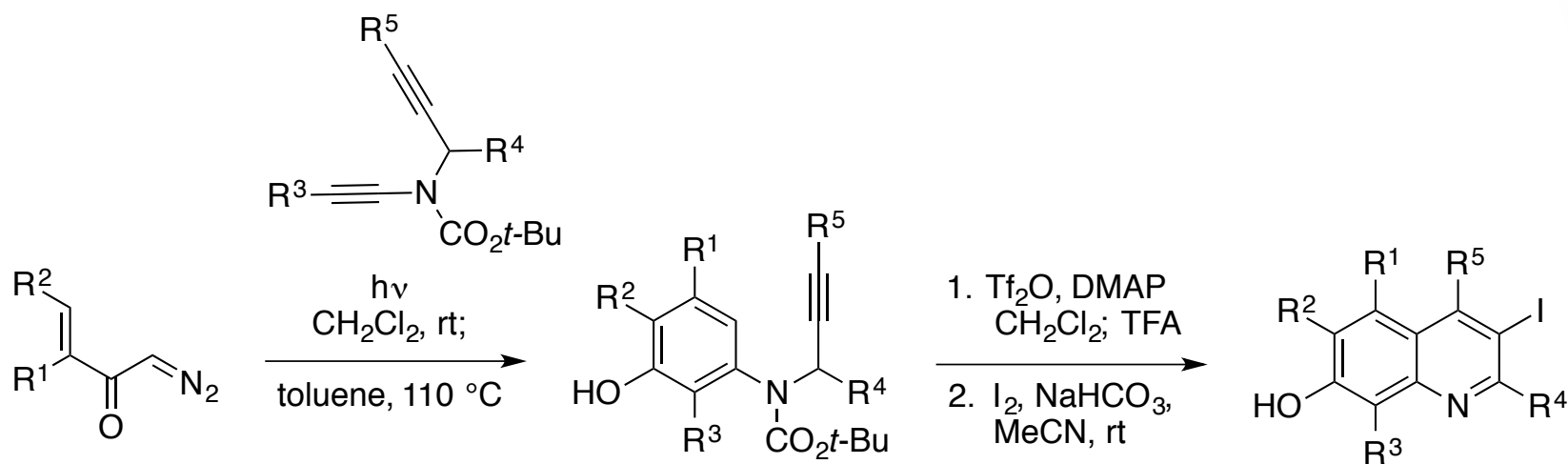
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Dipolar cycloaddition



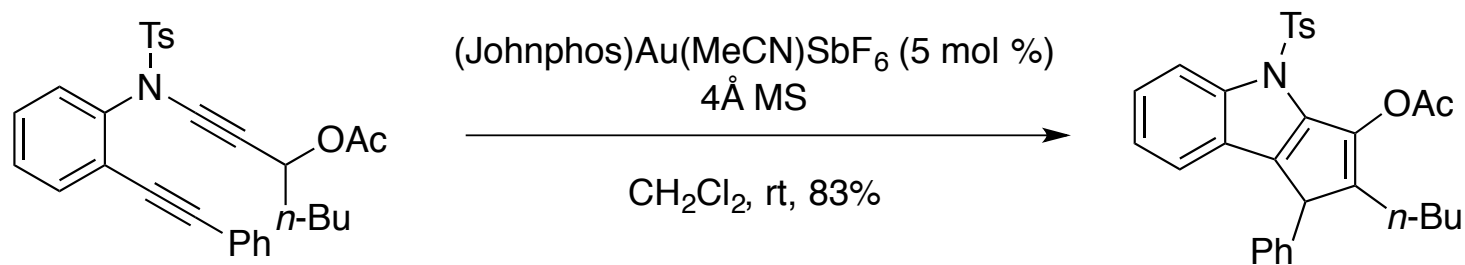
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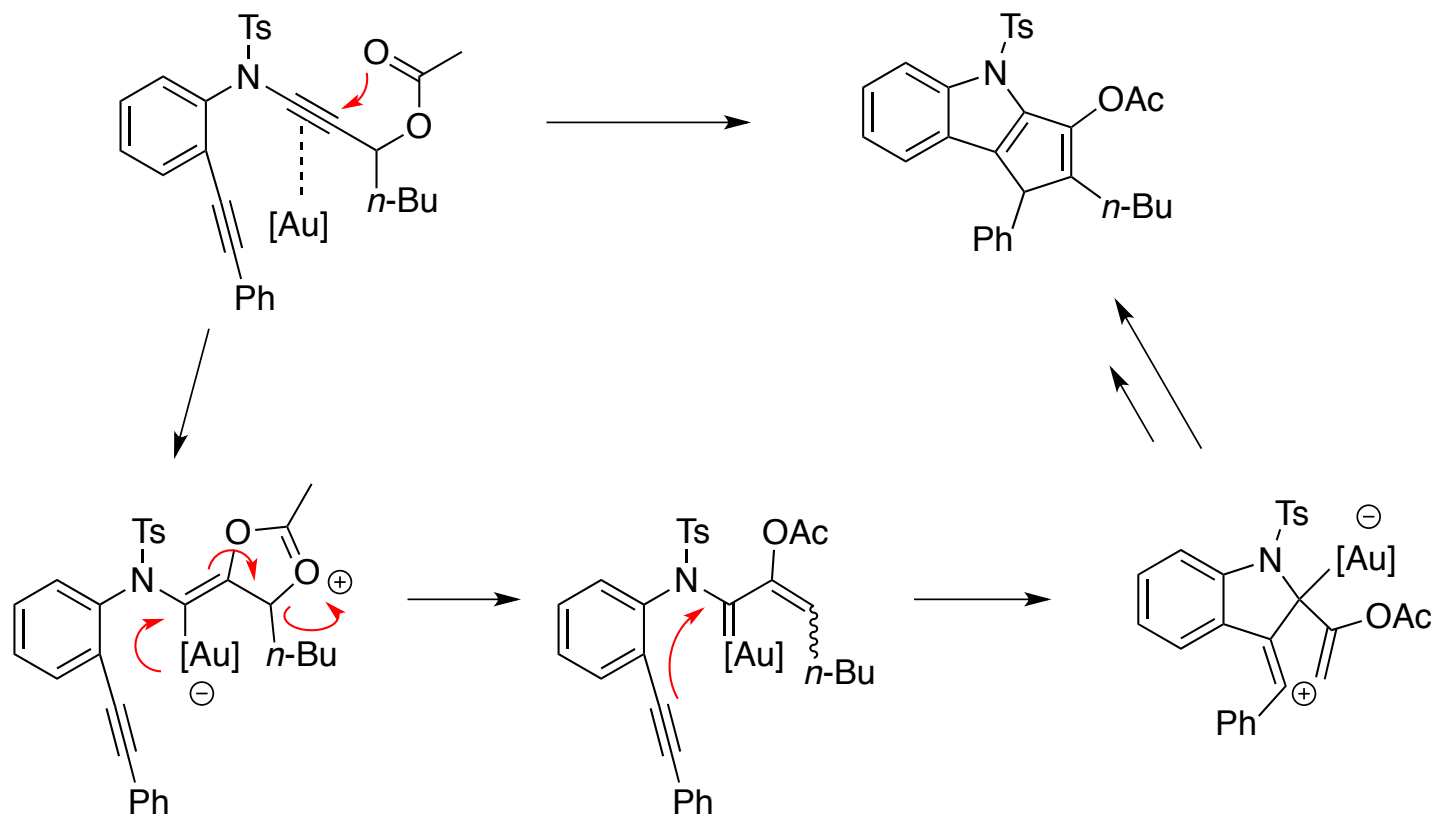
Part 2A: Gold catalyzed, intramolecular

- Diyne cyclizations
- Enyne cyclizations
- Cyclizations involving azides

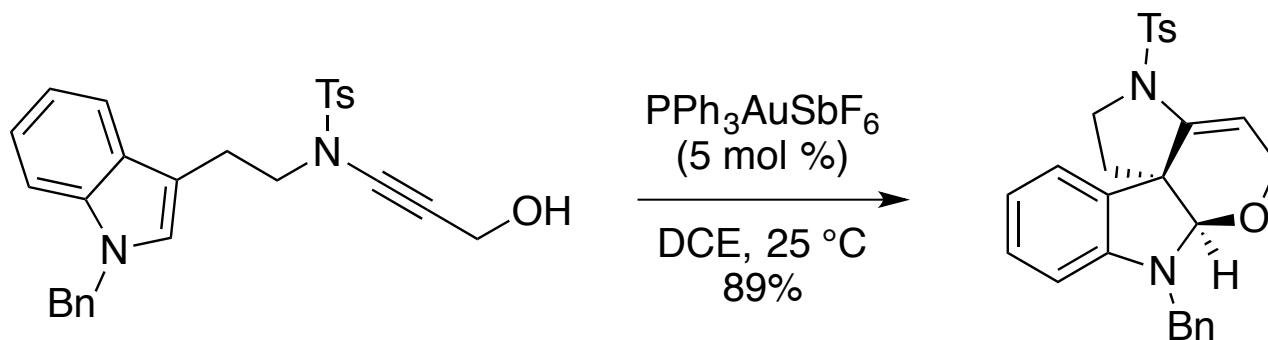
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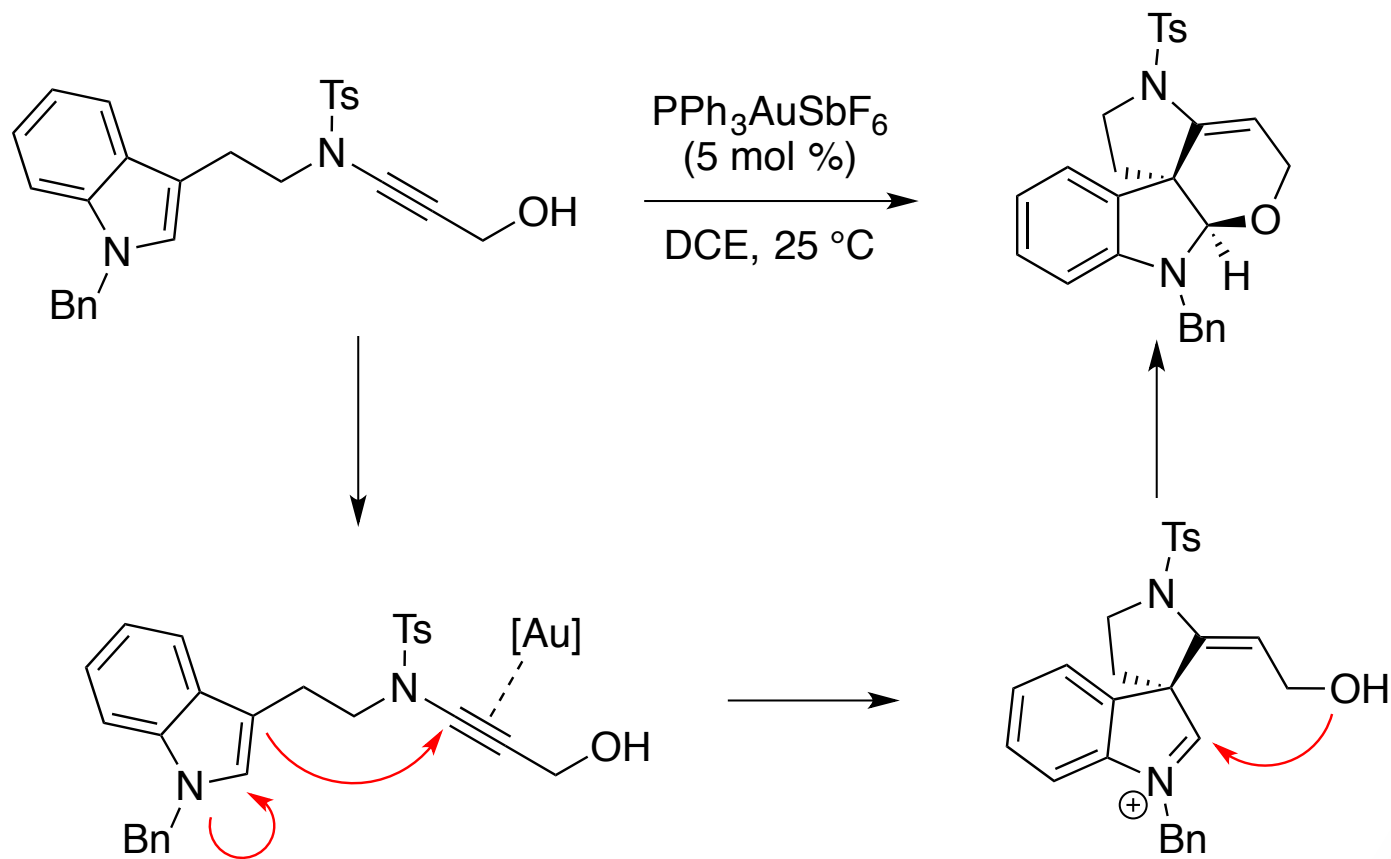
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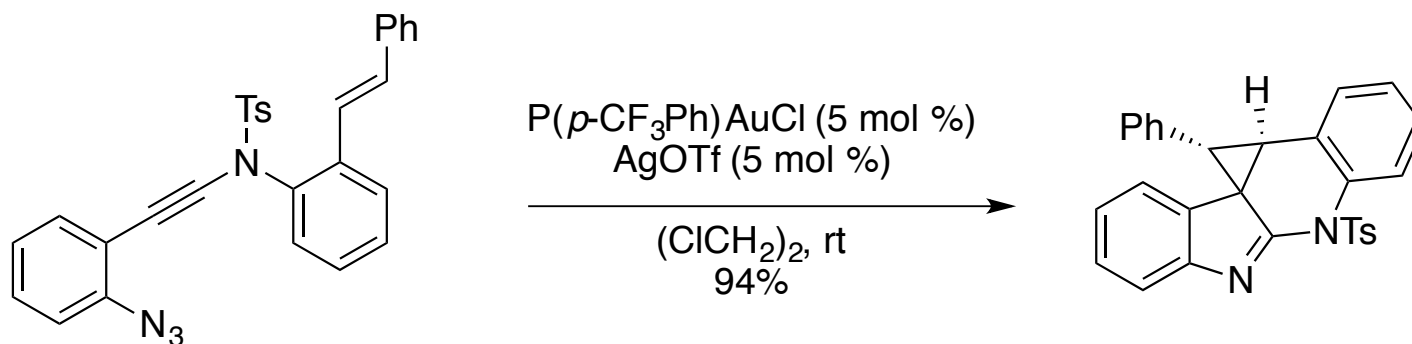
Indole cyclization with tethered alcohol



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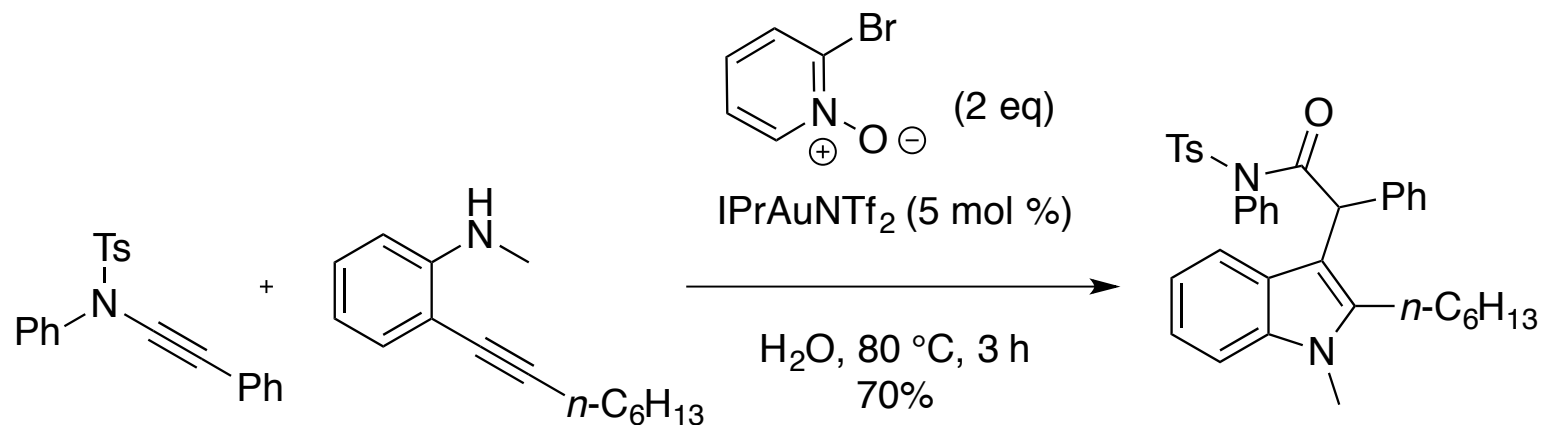
Gold Cyclization of Aryl Azide



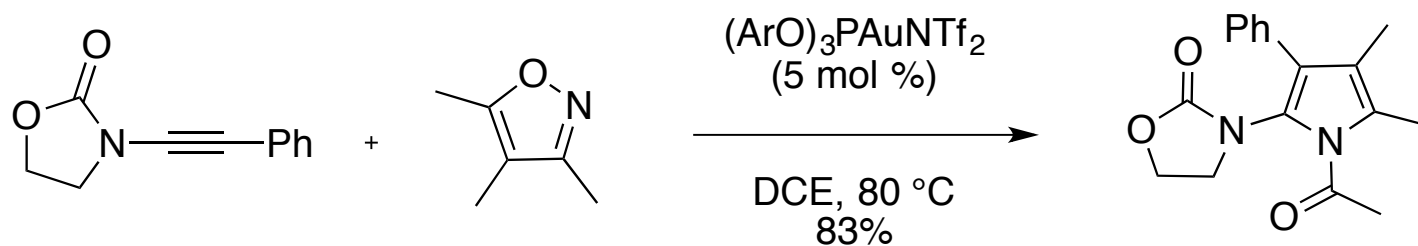
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- Alkyne partners
- Heterocyclic partners
- Azide partners

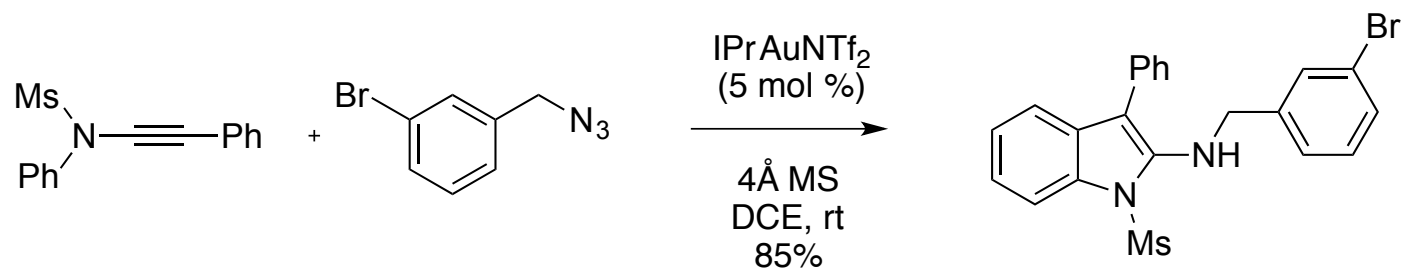
Alkyne coupling



Isoxazole coupling

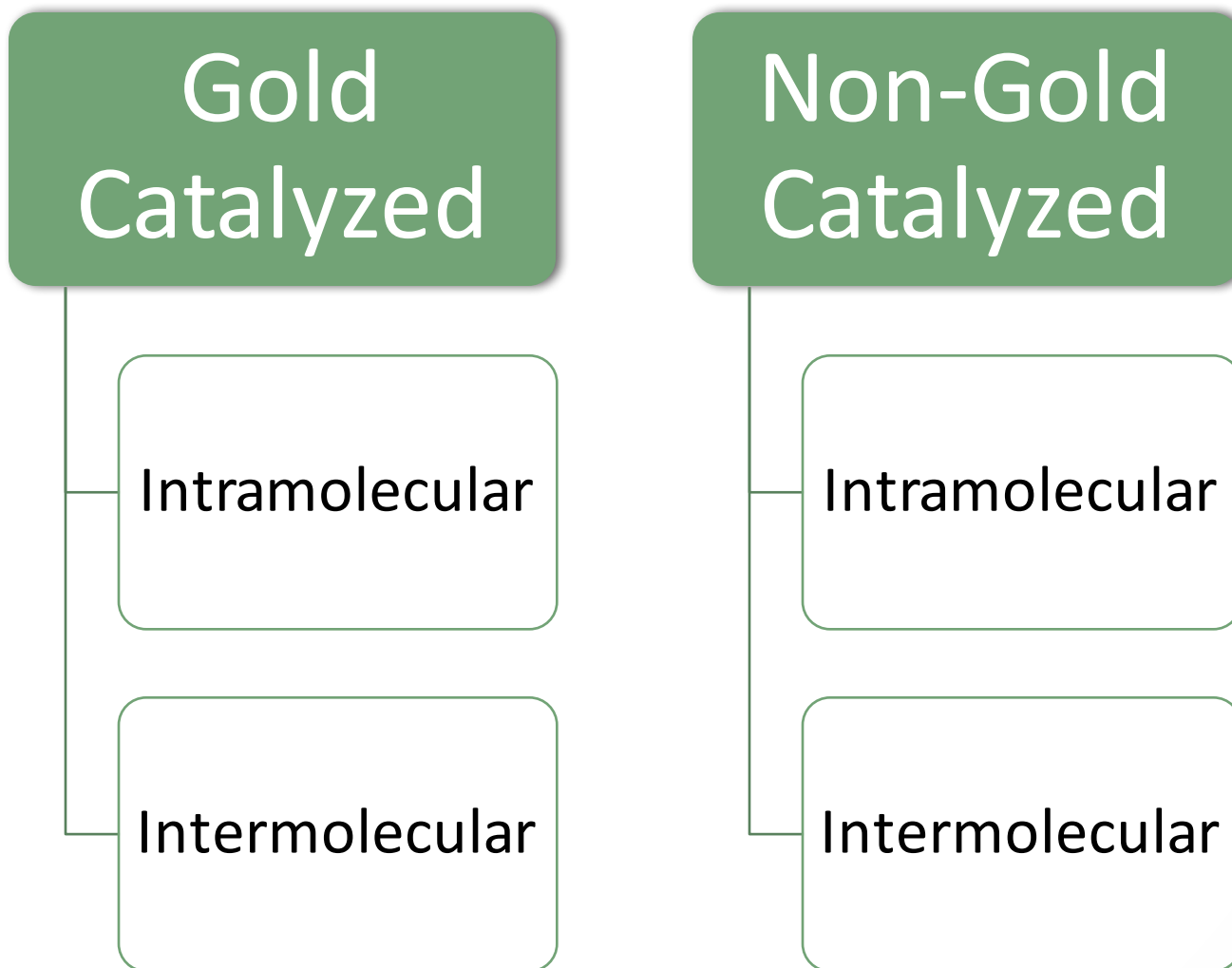


Azide coupling



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Summary



Final thought: Black Swans

- Widely accepted conventional wisdom in 1976:
 - Gold is too unreactive to be of catalytic use
 - Palladium-catalyzed cross coupling can achieve C-C bond formation but not C-N bond formation
 - Olefin metathesis is an ill-defined reaction of olefinic hydrocarbons and is of little use in synthesis
 - **Plausible addition: Molecules with a nitrogen connected to a triple bond (aka ynamide) are too unstable and reactive for widespread adoption in practical synthetic chemistry**

Final thought: Black Swans

Nugent's concluding remark:

“One can only imagine what extraordinary developments those of you currently beginning your careers in chemistry will witness in the next 35 or 40 years. In this regard, I envy you.”