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Stereocontrolled Total Synthesis of (–)-Stemaphylline

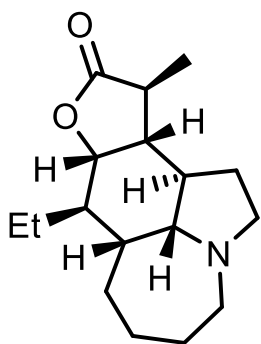
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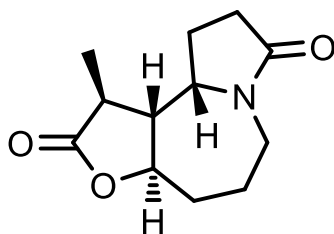
Stemona alkaloids



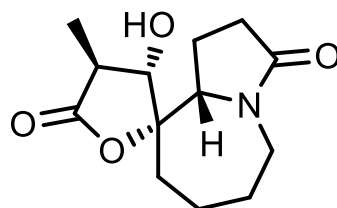
- ✓ **Isolation:** A root extract of *Stemona aphylla*.
- ✓ **Biological activity:** Insecticidal and antiparasitic properties.
- ✓ **Structure:** Pyrrolo-[1,2-a]azepine core as well as a γ -lactone and five stereogenic centers, three of which are contiguous.



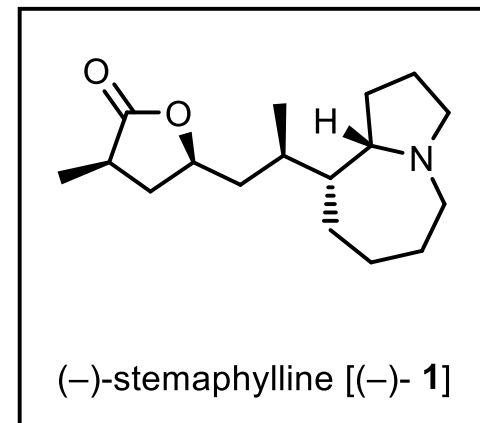
stenin



stemoamide



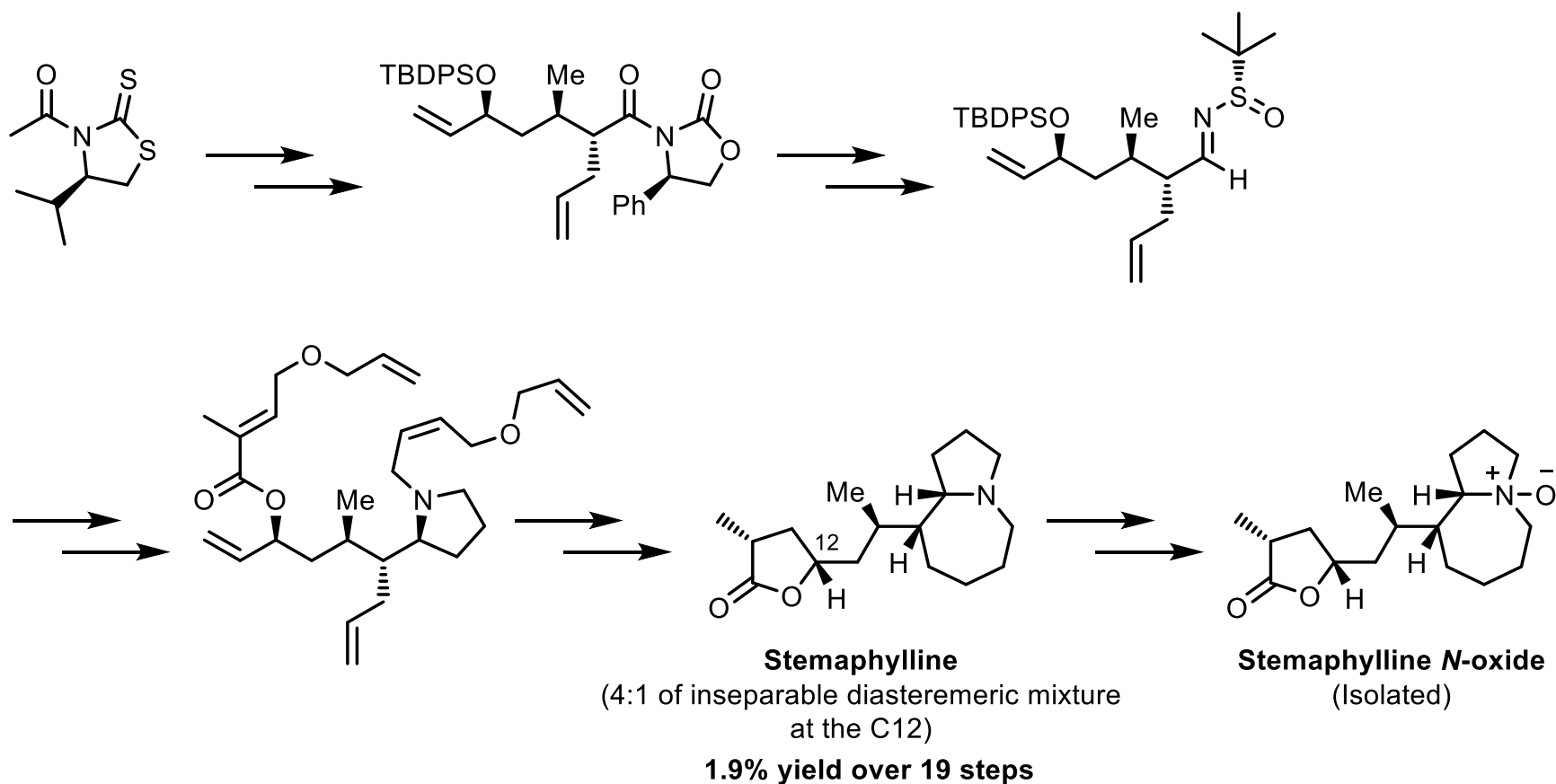
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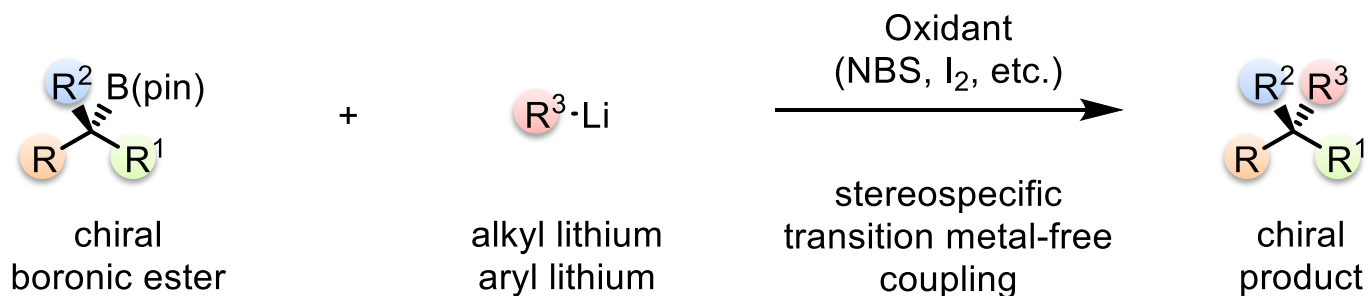
(-)-stemaphylline [(-)- 1]

Synthesis of (-)-stemaphylline

■ Previous work



Homologation through lithiation-borylation

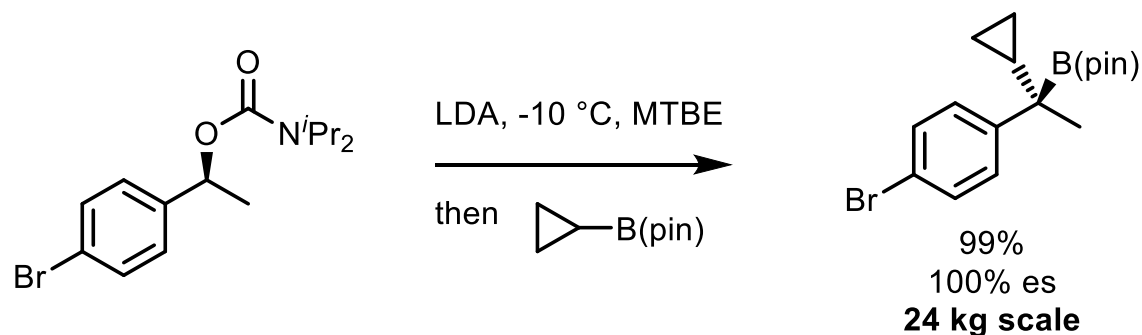


- high ee
- stable
- easy to make
- high modularity

- easy to make
- many available

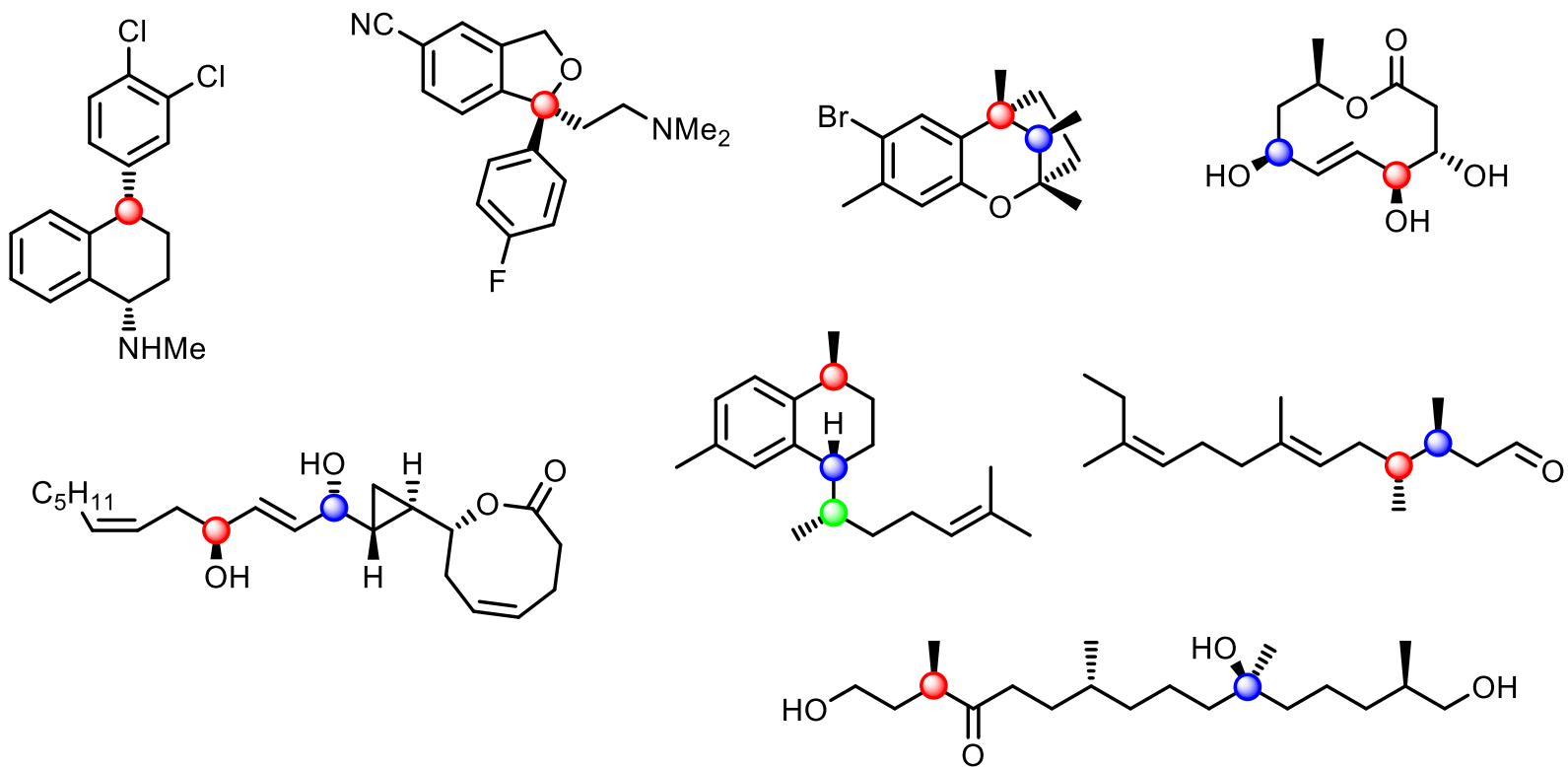
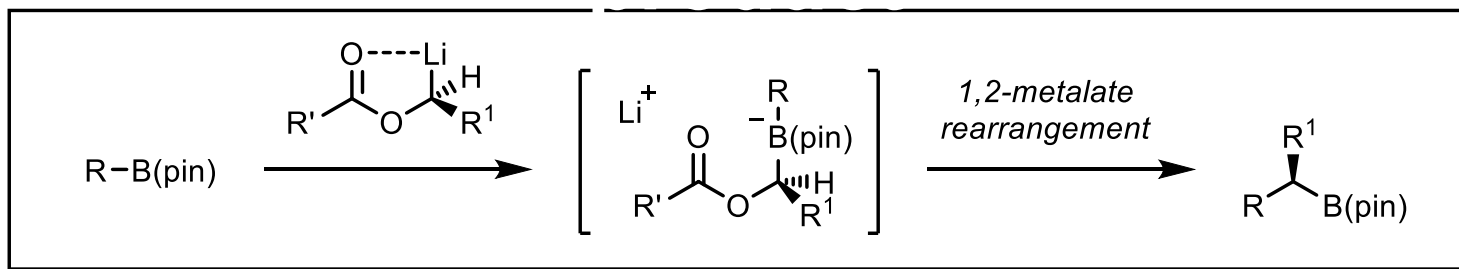
- high ee
- widespread motif
- all C-stereogenic centers

■ Large-scale lithiation-borylation reaction

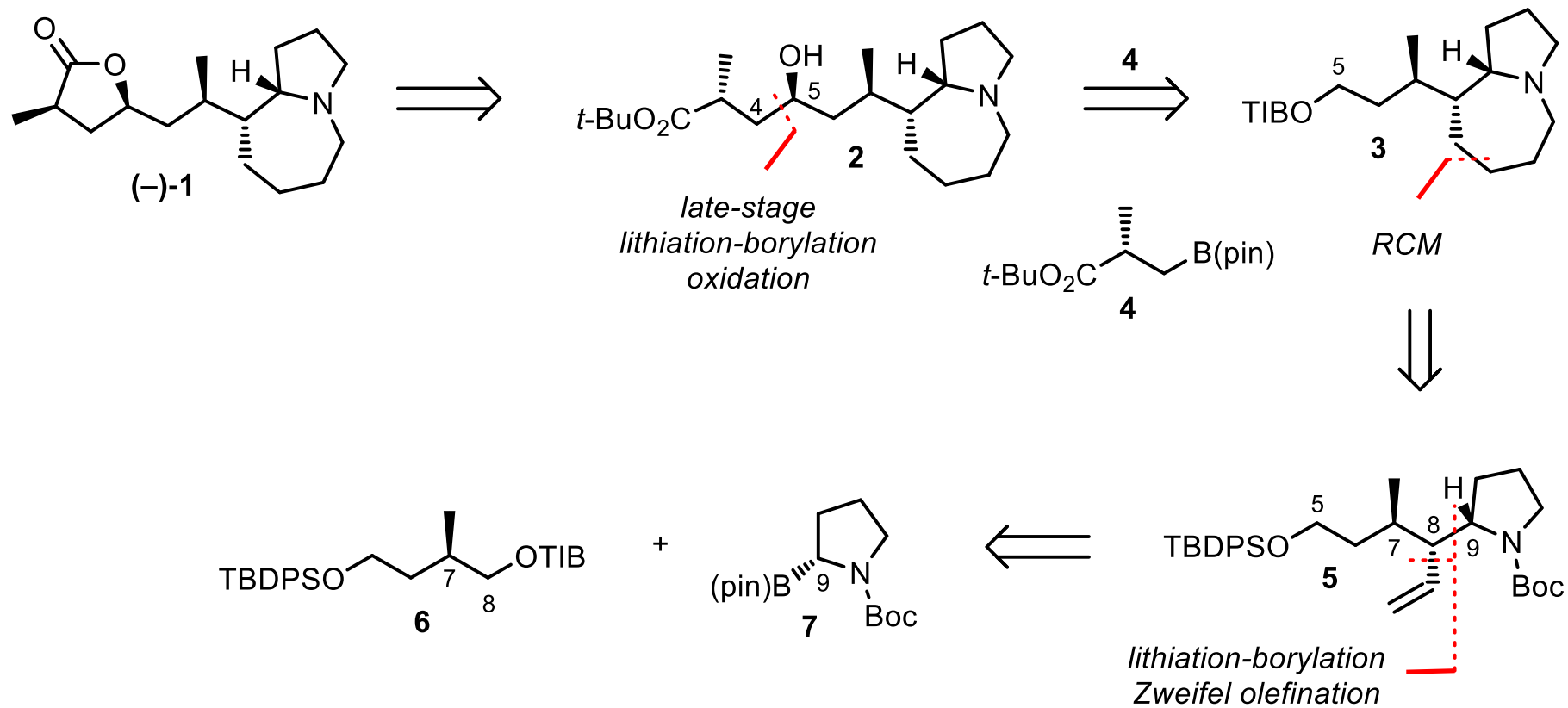


Application in the synthesis of natural

product

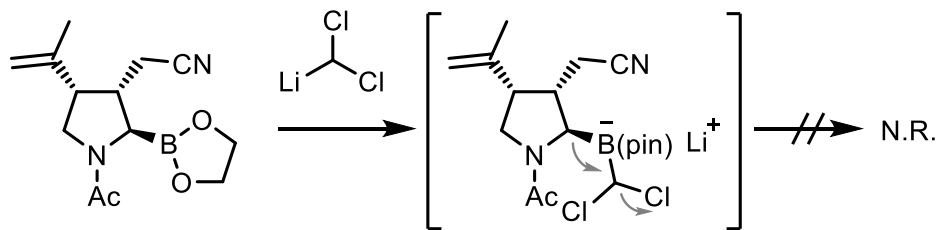


Retrosynthetic analysis

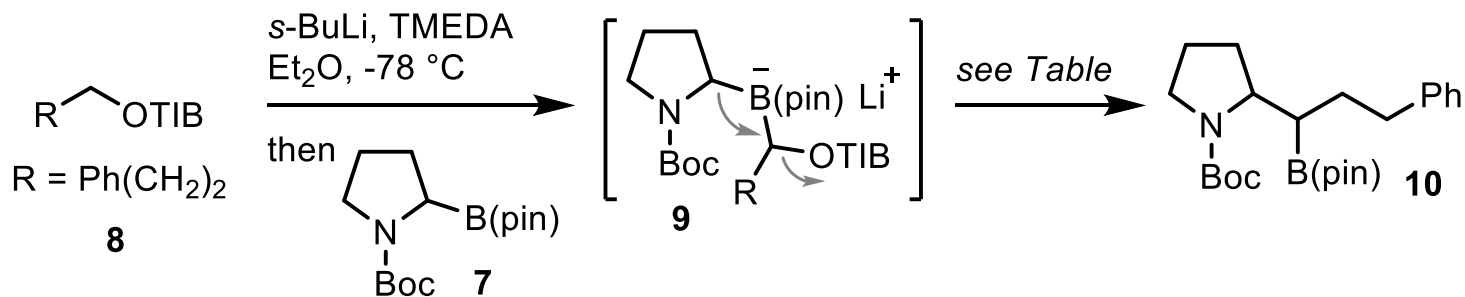
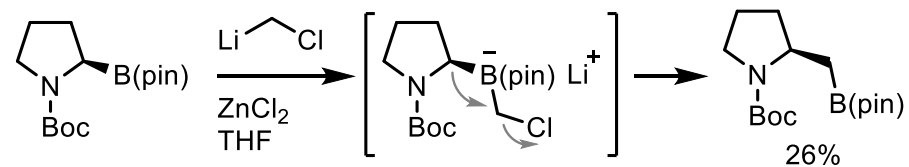


Optimization of the 1,2-migration

• Matteson (1998)



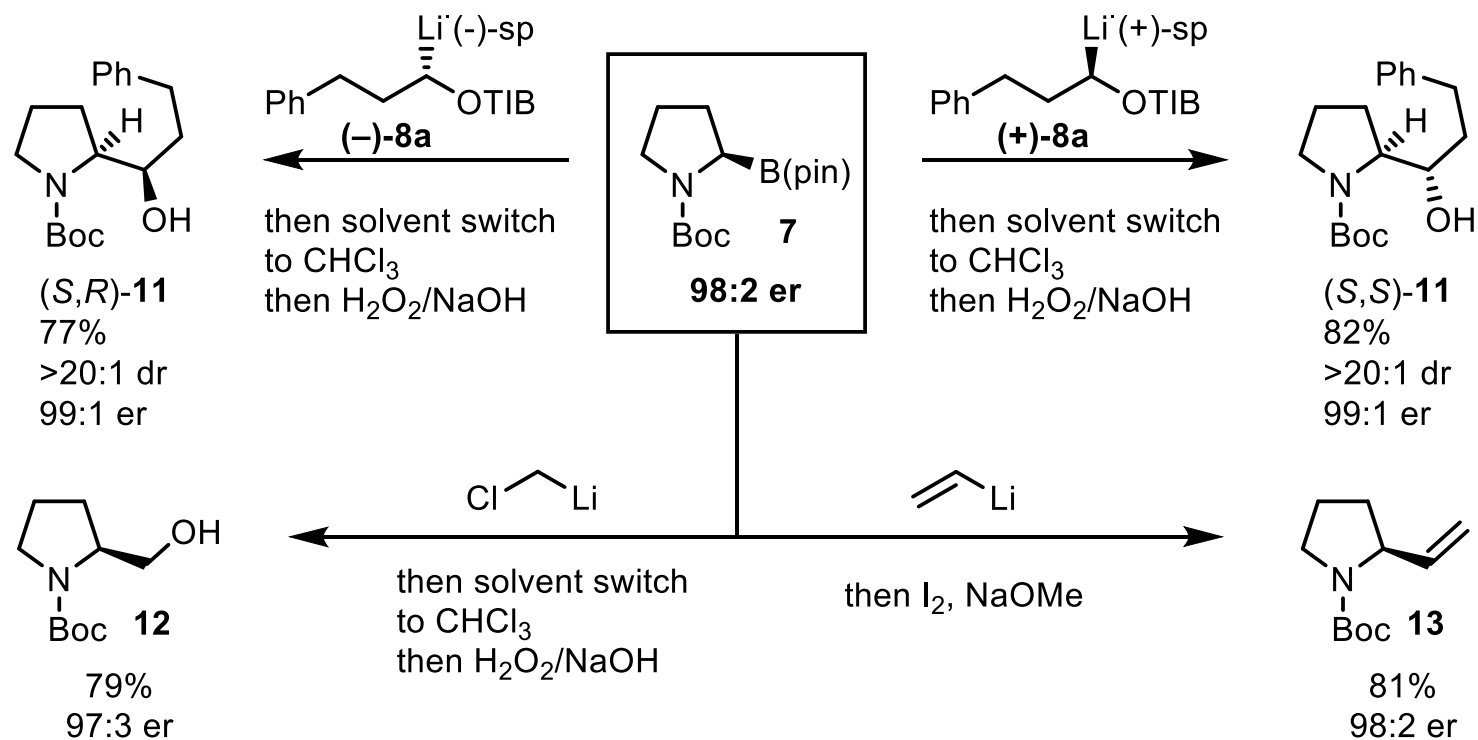
• Whiting (2008)



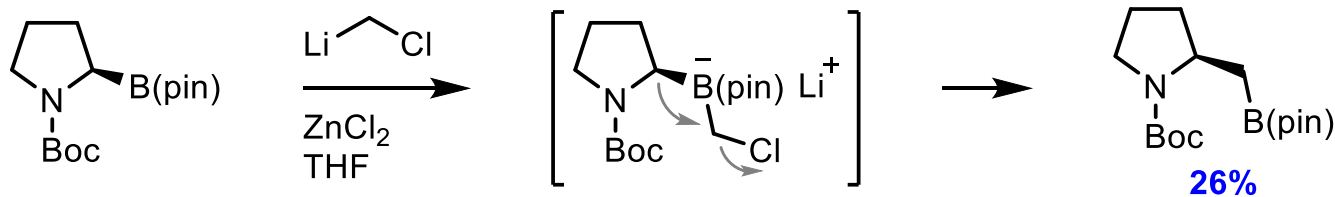
Entry	Solvent	Lewis acid	Temp. ($^\circ\text{C}$)	Yield (%)
1	Et_2O	–	38	–
2	Et_2O	$\text{MgBr}_2 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$	25	–
3	Et_2O	$\text{MgBr}_2 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$	38	19
4	toluene	–	110	67
5	CHCl_3	–	62	85

TIB = triisopropylbenzoyl

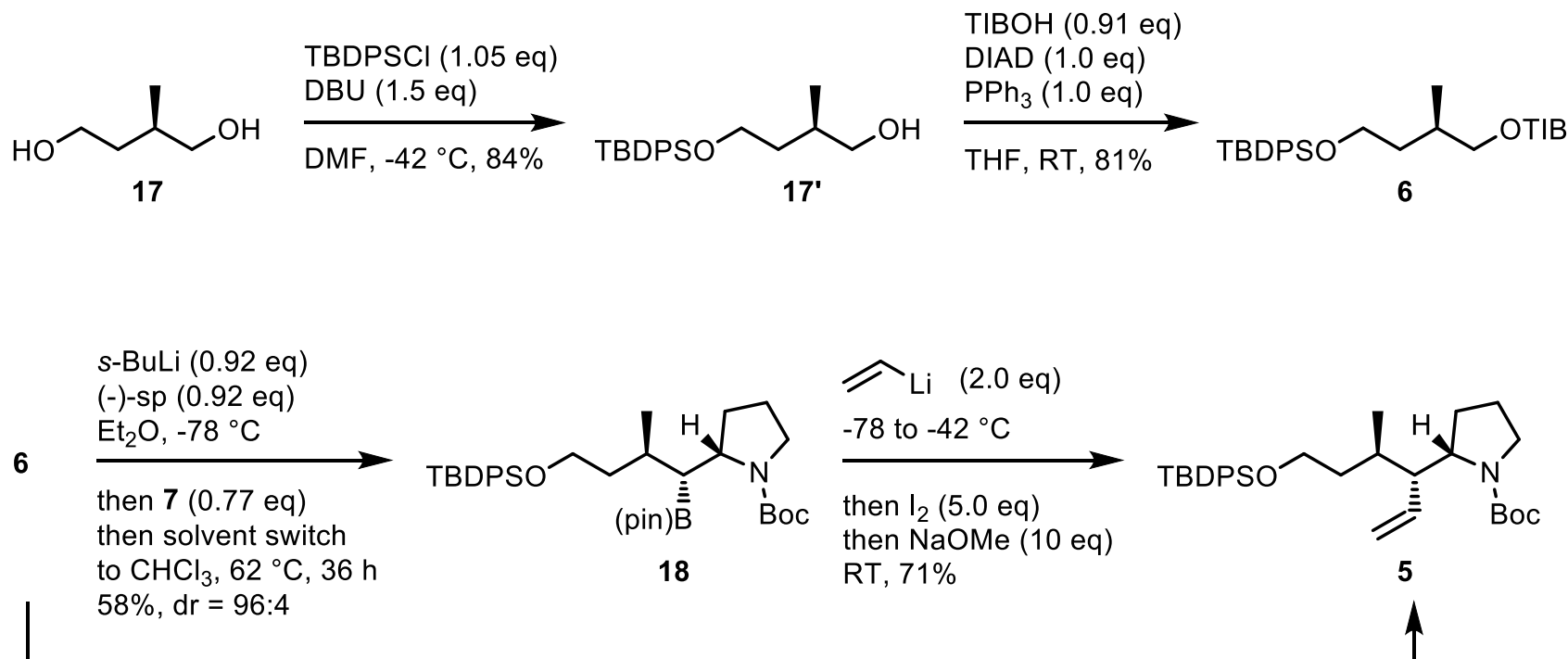
Homologation of chiral boronic ester



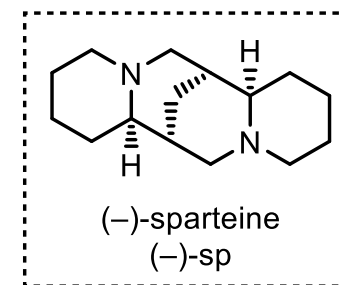
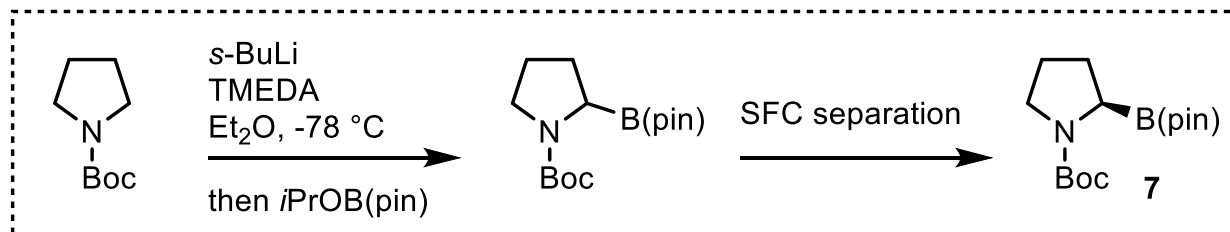
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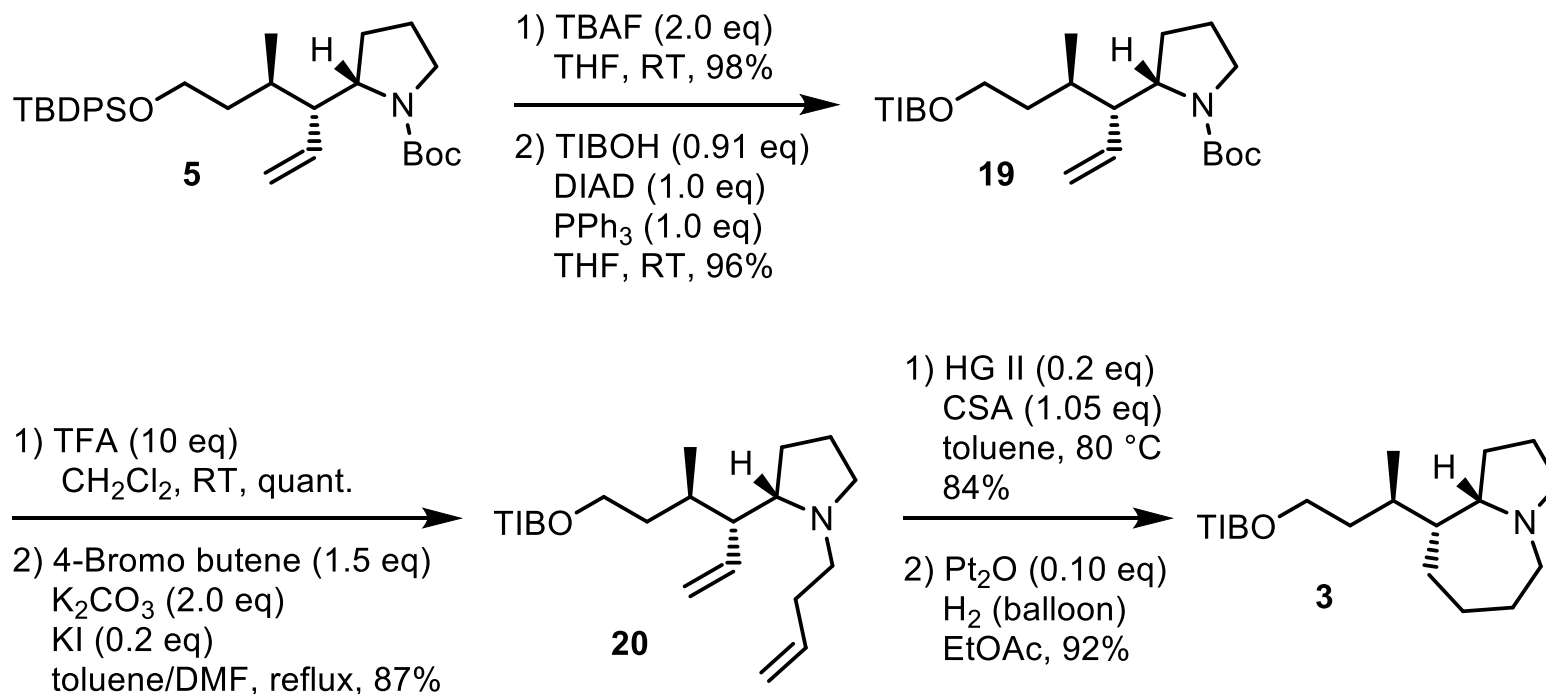
Synthesis of Allyl Pyrrolidine



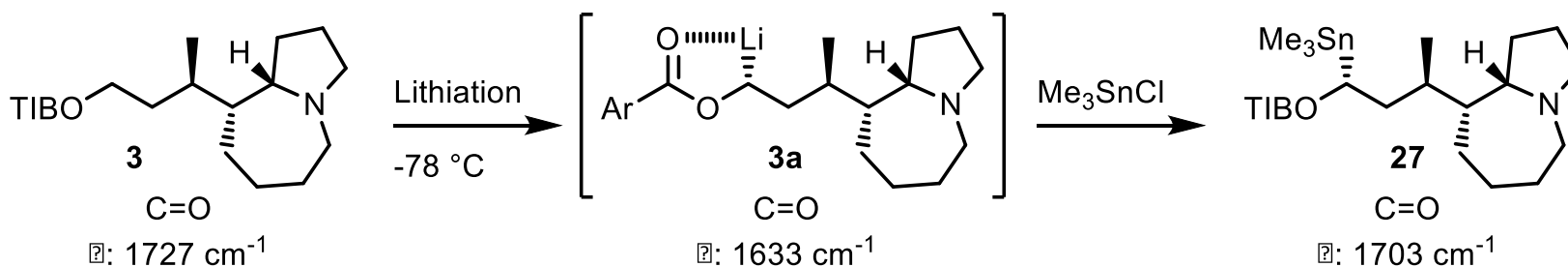
one-pot, gram scale lithiation-borylation-Zweifel olefination = 70%



Construction of pyrrolo-[1, 2a]azepine core



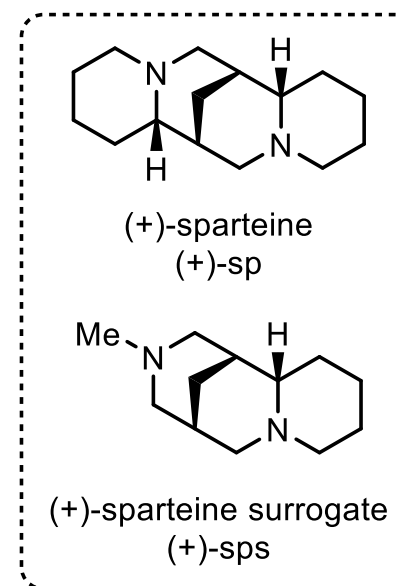
Optimization of lithiation of TIB ester



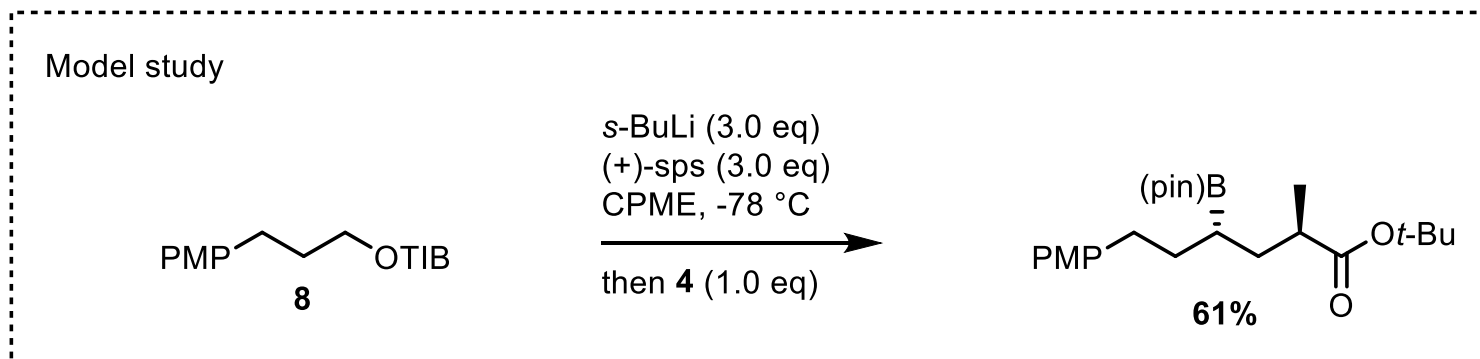
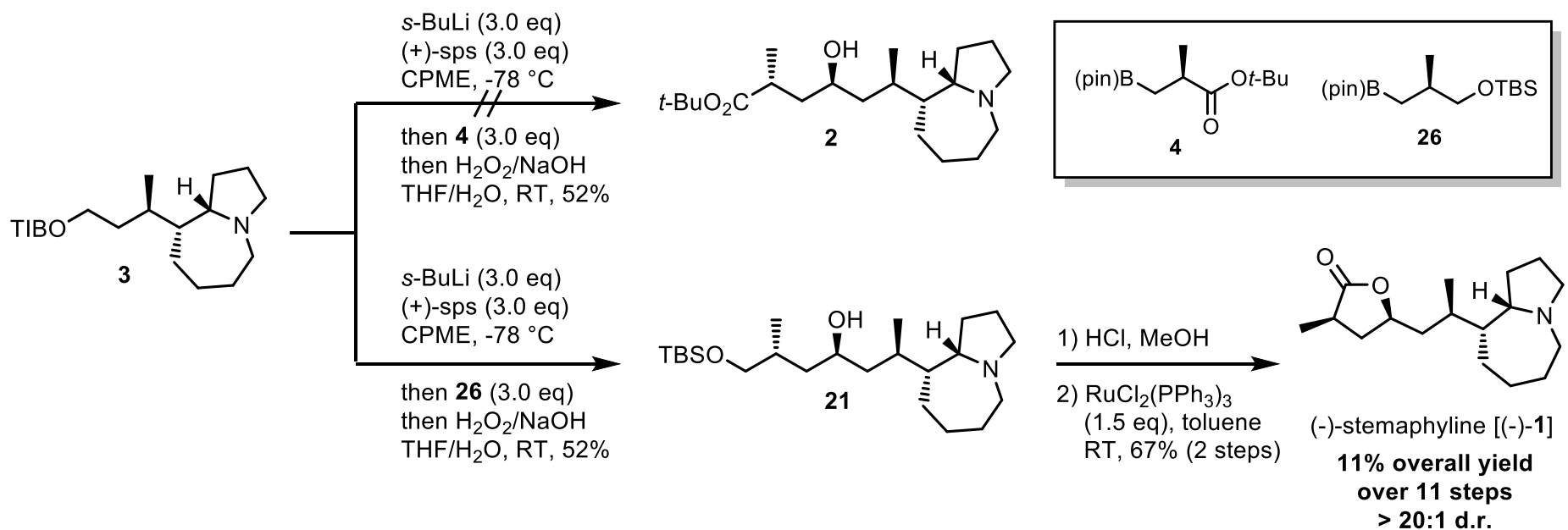
Entry	Solvent	s-BuLi·(+)-sps (equiv)	Ratio 3 : 27 (Yield %) ^a
1	Et ₂ O	2.0	100 : 0
2	Toluene	2.0	100 : 0
3	TBME	2.0	49 : 51
4	CPME	2.0	35 : 65
5	CPME	3.0	0 : 100 (92)
6 ^b	CPME	3.0	65 : 35

^a NMR ratio of **3** vs **27** (isolated yield of **27** after chromatography)

^b (+)-sp was used instead of (+)-sps



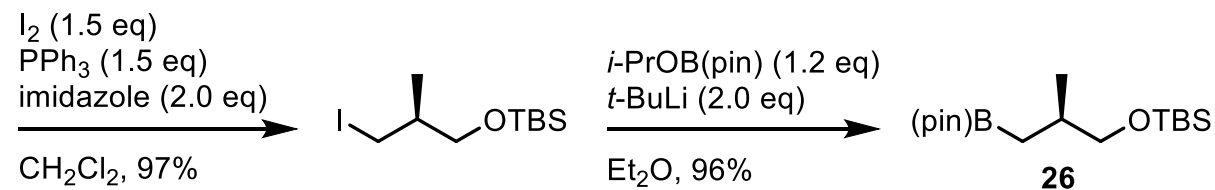
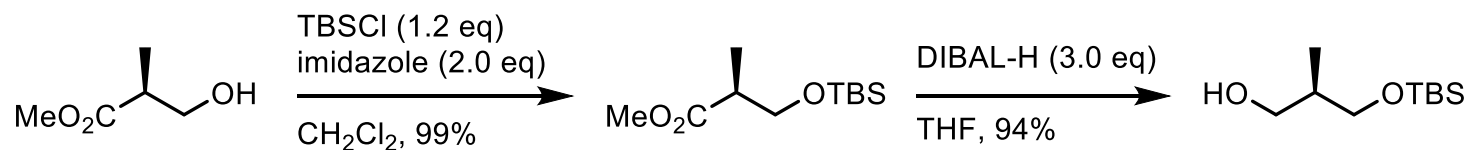
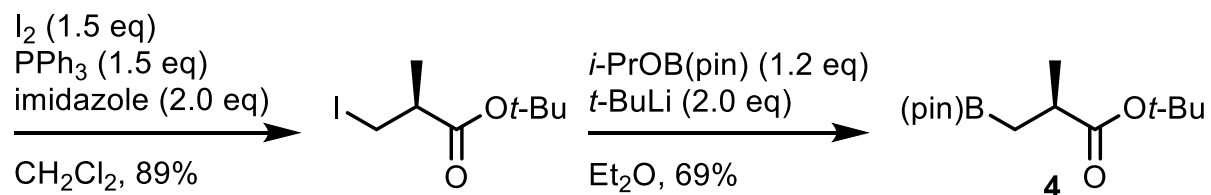
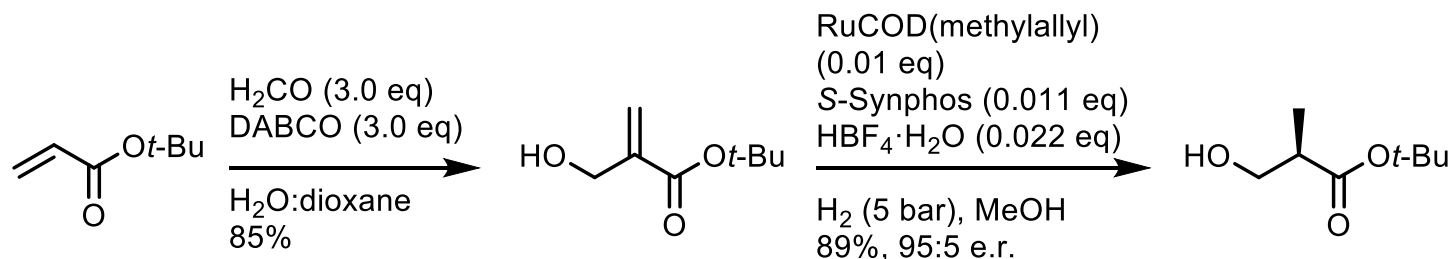
Endgame



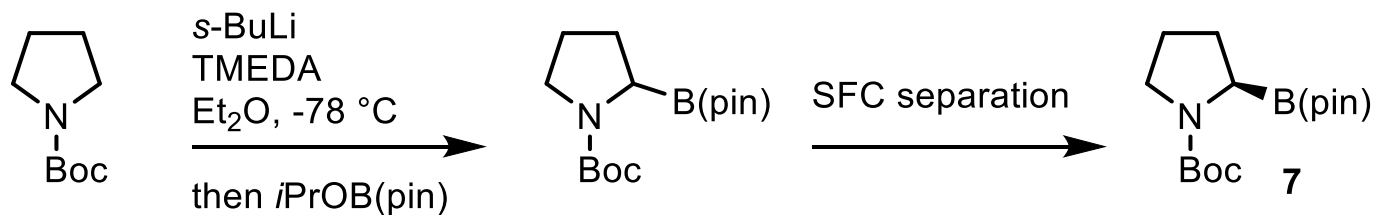
Conclusion

- They completed the total synthesis of (–)-stemaphylline in 11 steps, with high stereocontrol (>20:1 d.r.) and 11% overall yield.
- The synthesis features a late-stage lithiation–borylation reaction with a tertiary amine containing carbenoid.
- By performing a solvent switch from Et₂O to CHCl₃, efficient 1,2-metalate rearrangement of the intermediate boronate occurs with both halide and ester leaving groups.

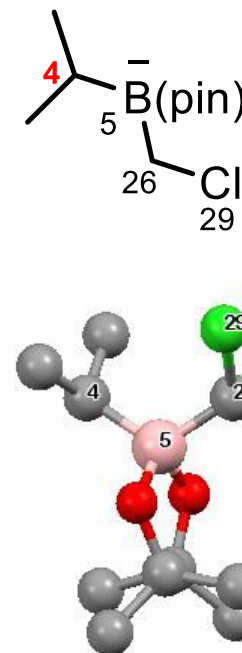
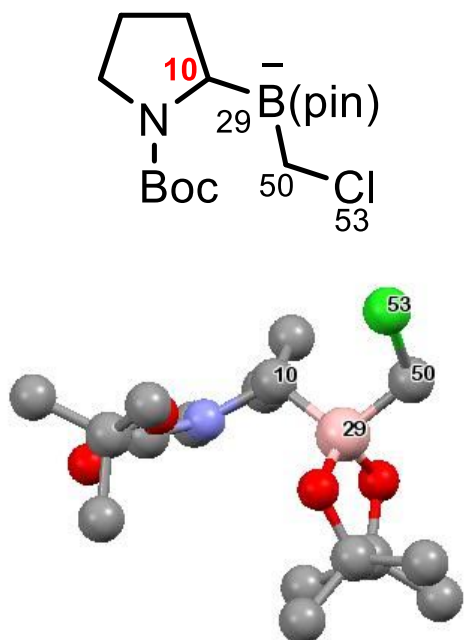
Synthesis of Boronic esters 4 and 26



Synthesis of Boronic ester 7



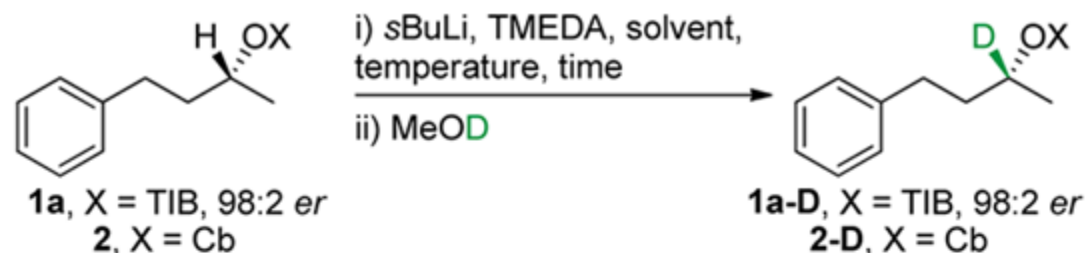
Natural charge (NBO) calculations



B3LYP/6-31+G* - NBO Charges

	C₁₀	B₂₉	C₅₀	Cl₅₃	OBO fragm.	CH₂Cl fragm.
Pyrrolidine	-0.363	0.949	-0.680	-0.196	-0.154	-0.421
	C₄	B₅	C₂₆	Cl₂₉	OBO fragm.	CH₂Cl fragm.
Isopropyl	-0.594	0.967	-0.680	-0.206	-0.162	-0.429

Optimization of Deprotonation Condition



entry	X	temp (°C)	solv	$s\text{BuLi/TMEDA}$ (equiv)	time (h)	$\text{1a}^a/\text{2-D}$ (%D)
1	TIB	-78	THF	2/2	4	10
2	Cb	-78	Et_2O	2/2	4	<5
3	TIB	-78	Et_2O	2/2	4	60
4	TIB	-78	CPME	2/2	4	70
5	TIB	-50	CPME	2/2	1	74
6	TIB	-50	CPME	2/6	1	92
7	TIB	-50	CPME	1.6/6	1	89
8	TIB	-60	CPME	1.6/6	2	87
9	Cb	-50	CPME	1.6/6	1	10

Solution structure of $i\text{-PrLi}_2/(-)\text{-sparteine}$

