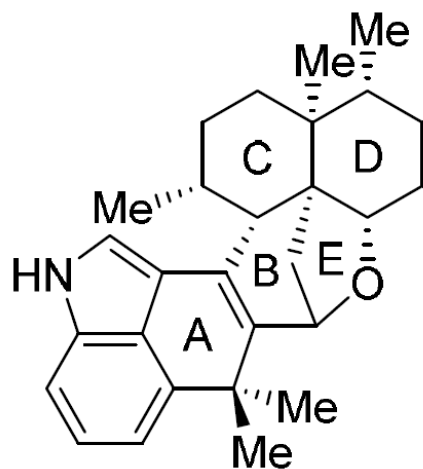


# Total Synthesis of Epoxyeujindole A

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epoxyeujindole A

Highly substituted A B rings:  
sequential cationic cyclizations

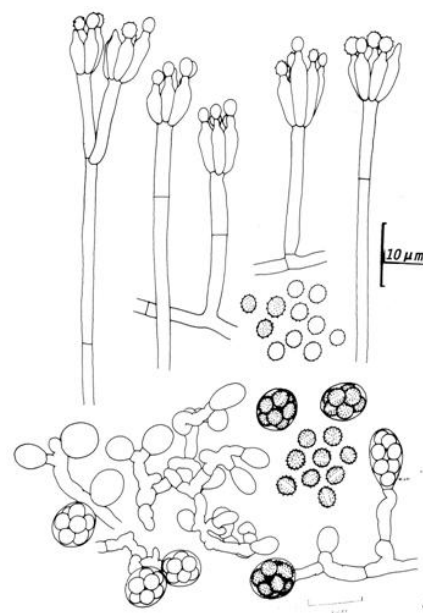
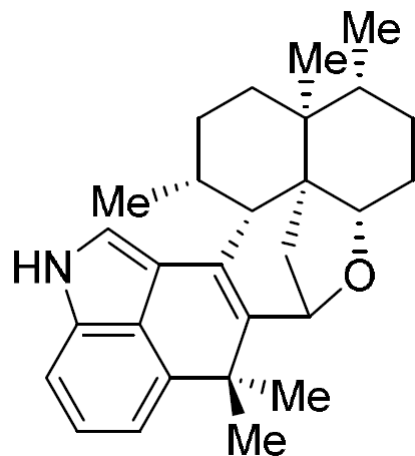
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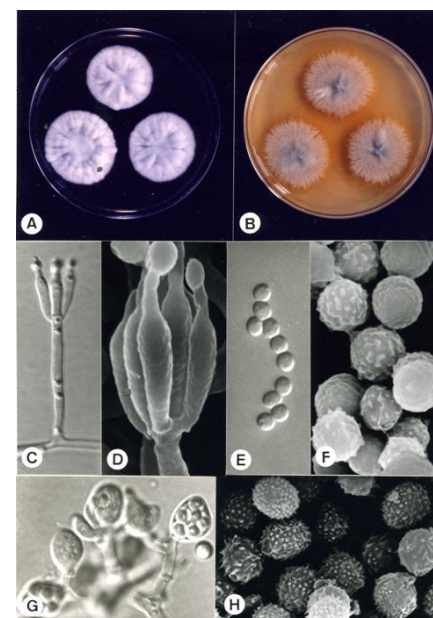
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# Indole Terpenoids from *Eupenicilium Javanicum*

- Indole terpenoids comprise a large number of biologically and biosynthetically interesting natural products.
- Nakadate et al. in 2011 reported the isolation of Epoxyeujindole A from *Eupenicilium Javanicum*.
- Its absolute configuration was not determined.



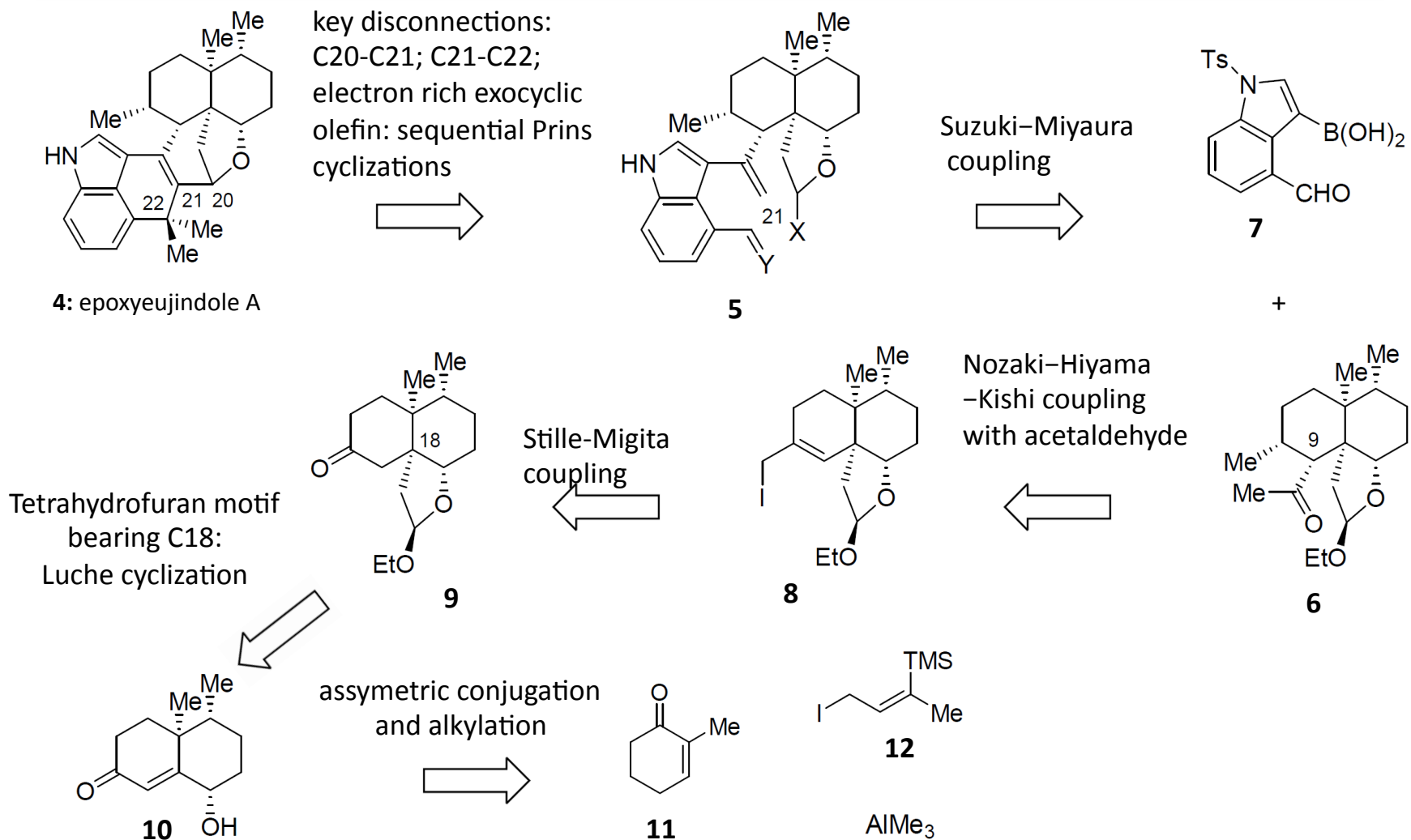
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A, B. colonies on CYA  
And MEA at 25 °C, 7 d;  
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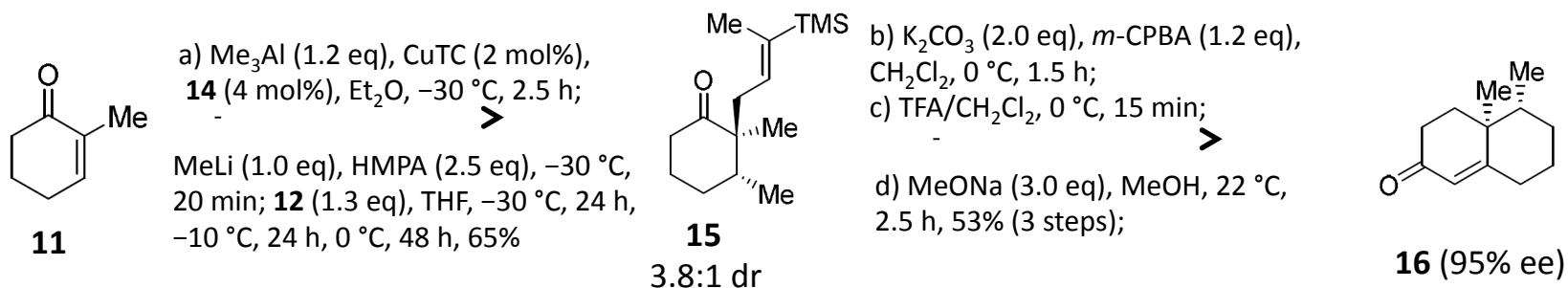
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# Retrosynthetic Analysis of Epoxyeujindole A

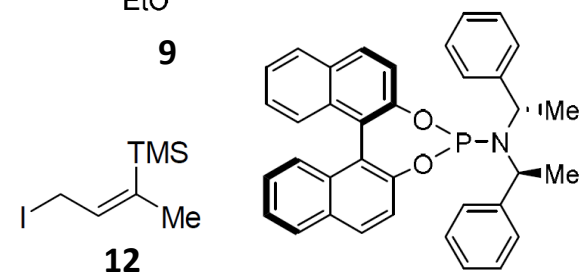
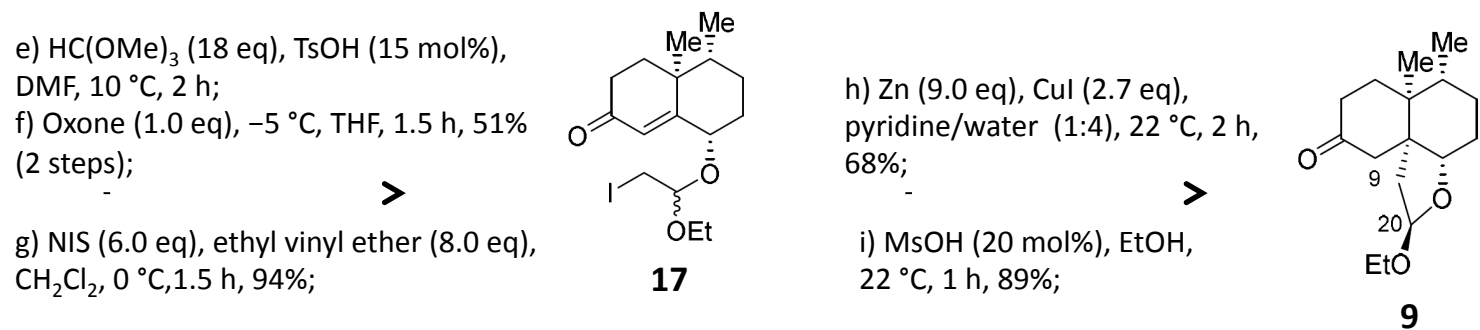


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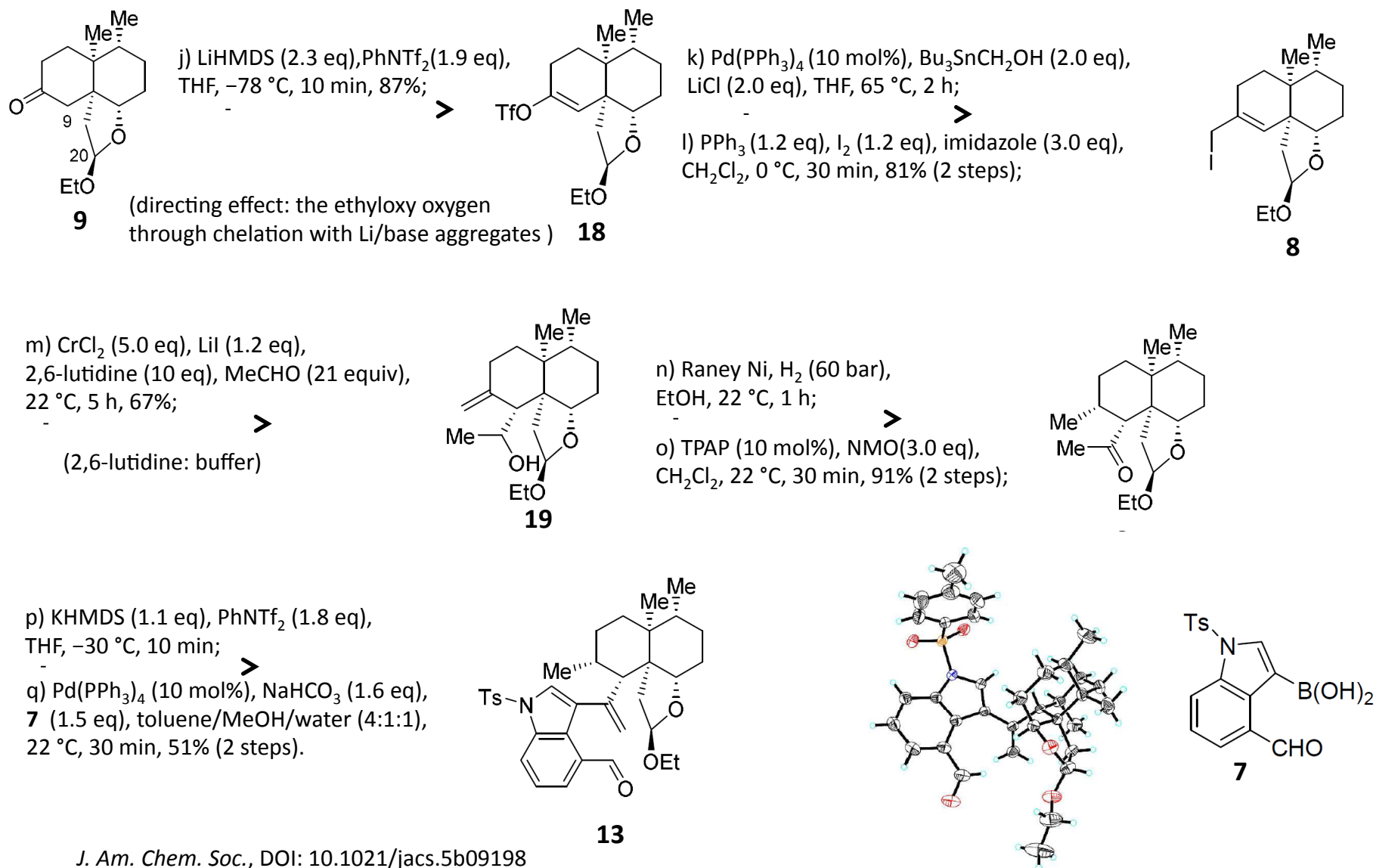


(Trapping the enolate with methyl vinyl ketone was inefficient (<20%) due to polymerization.)



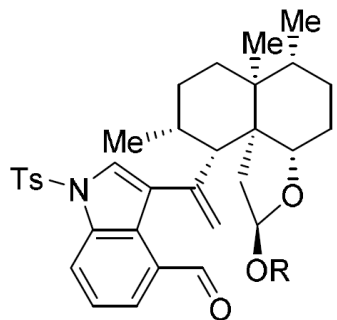
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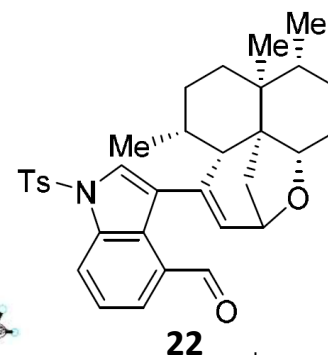
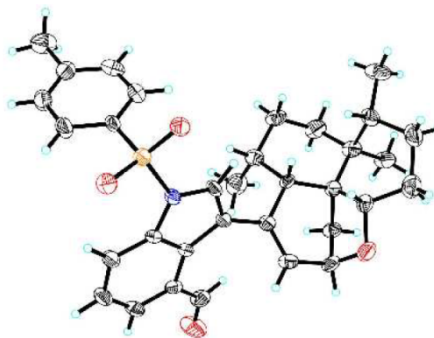
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Double Prins strategy:

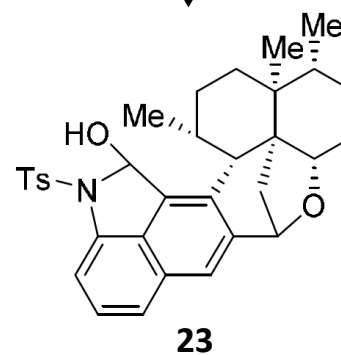
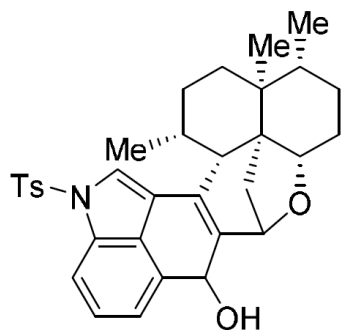


a) aq. HClO<sub>4</sub> (0.50 M), THF, 22 °C, 8 h, 82%;  
- **13**: R = Et  
> **21**: R = H

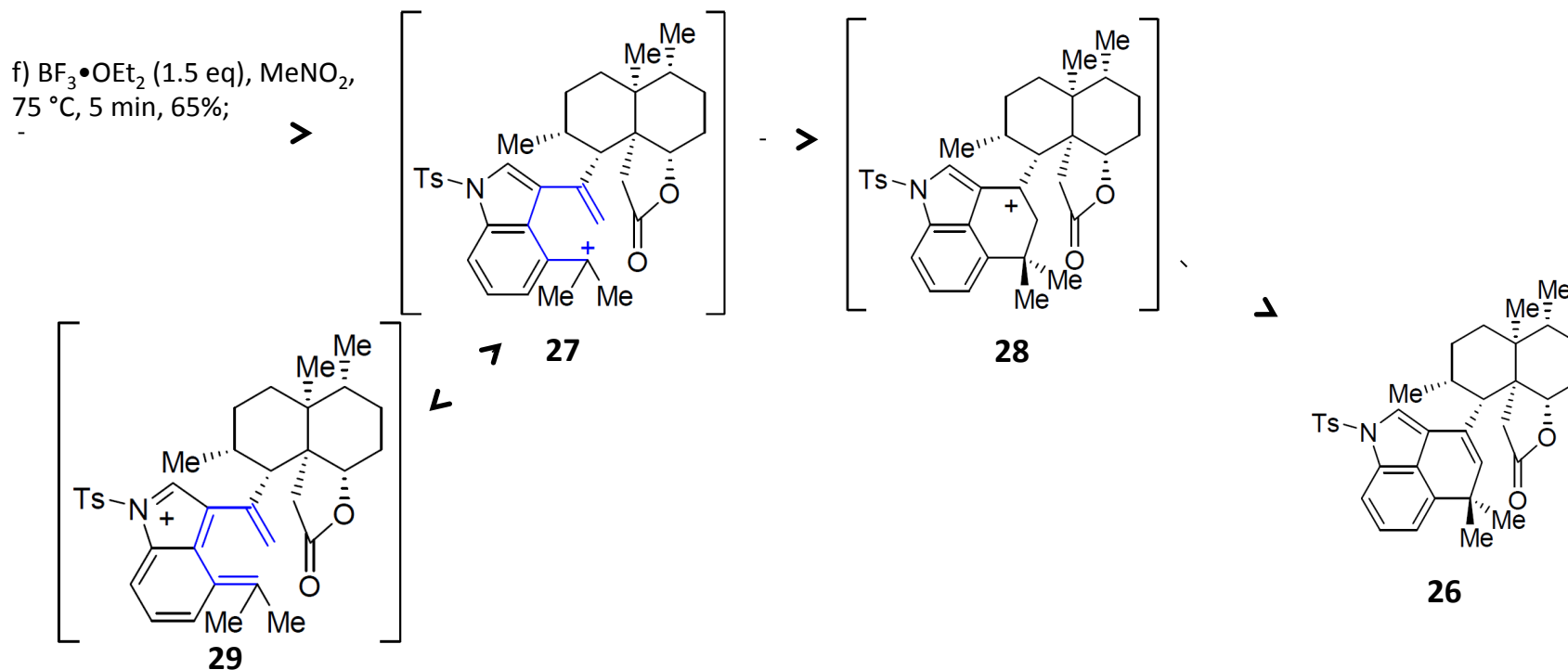
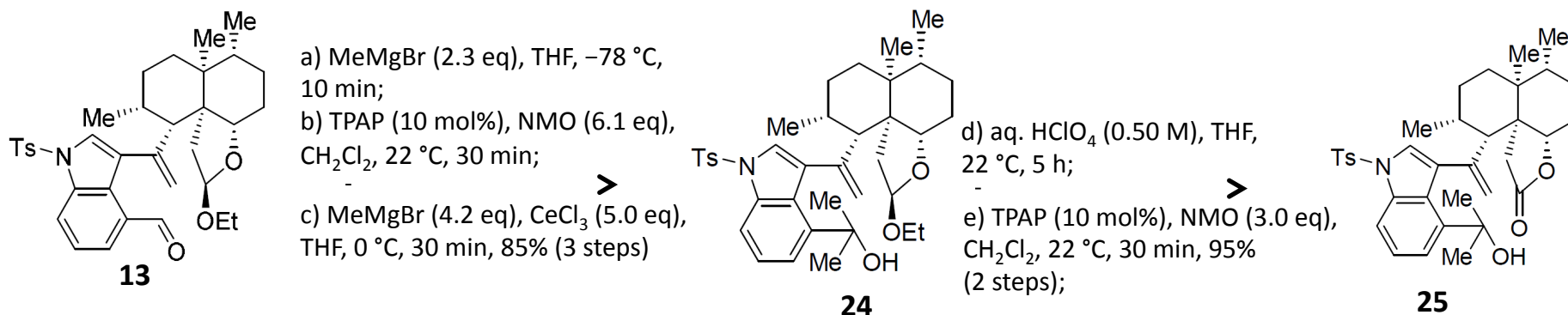
b) TsOH (1.0 eq), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 22 °C, 30 min, 76%;



c) BF<sub>3</sub>•OEt<sub>2</sub> (2.7 eq), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 22 °C, 10 min, 72%.

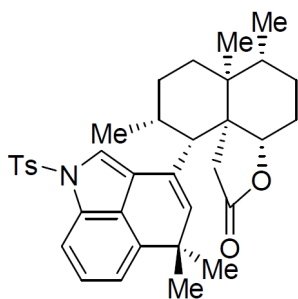


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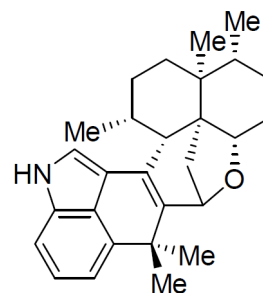
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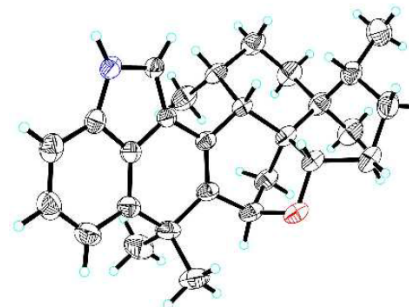
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g) DIBAL-H (3.0 eq), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>,  
-78 °C, 10 min;  
h) TsOH (3.0 eq), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 22 °C,  
30 min;  
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i) Mg (19 eq), MeOH, 22 °C,  
1 h, 84% (3 steps).

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**4: epoxyeuindole A**





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- The first asymmetric synthesis of epoxyeujindole A was accomplished.
- The key C–C bond formations at an early stage include an enantioselective conjugate addition/alkylation, a Luche cyclization, a Nozaki–Hiyama–Kishi reaction, and a Suzuki–Miyaura coupling.
- The assembly of the highly substituted A and B rings relies on sequential cationic cyclizations.
- The synthesis provides an efficient access to epoxyeujindole A

