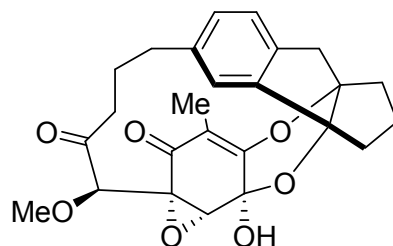


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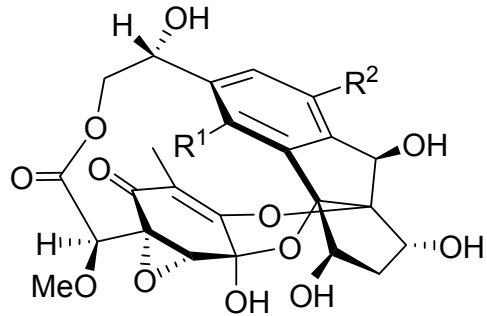
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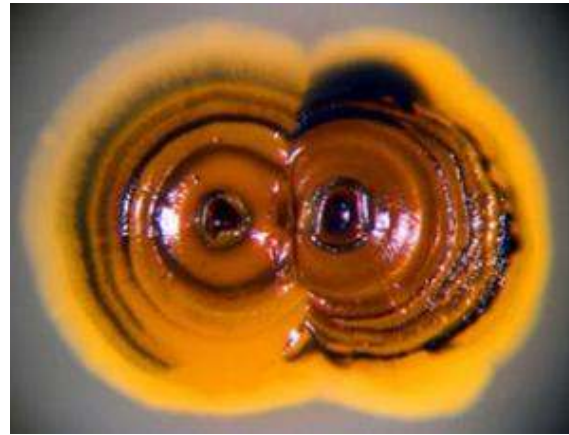
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Sporolides



R¹ = Cl, R² = H **Sporolide A**
R¹ = H, R² = Cl **Sporolide B**



Salinospora tropica

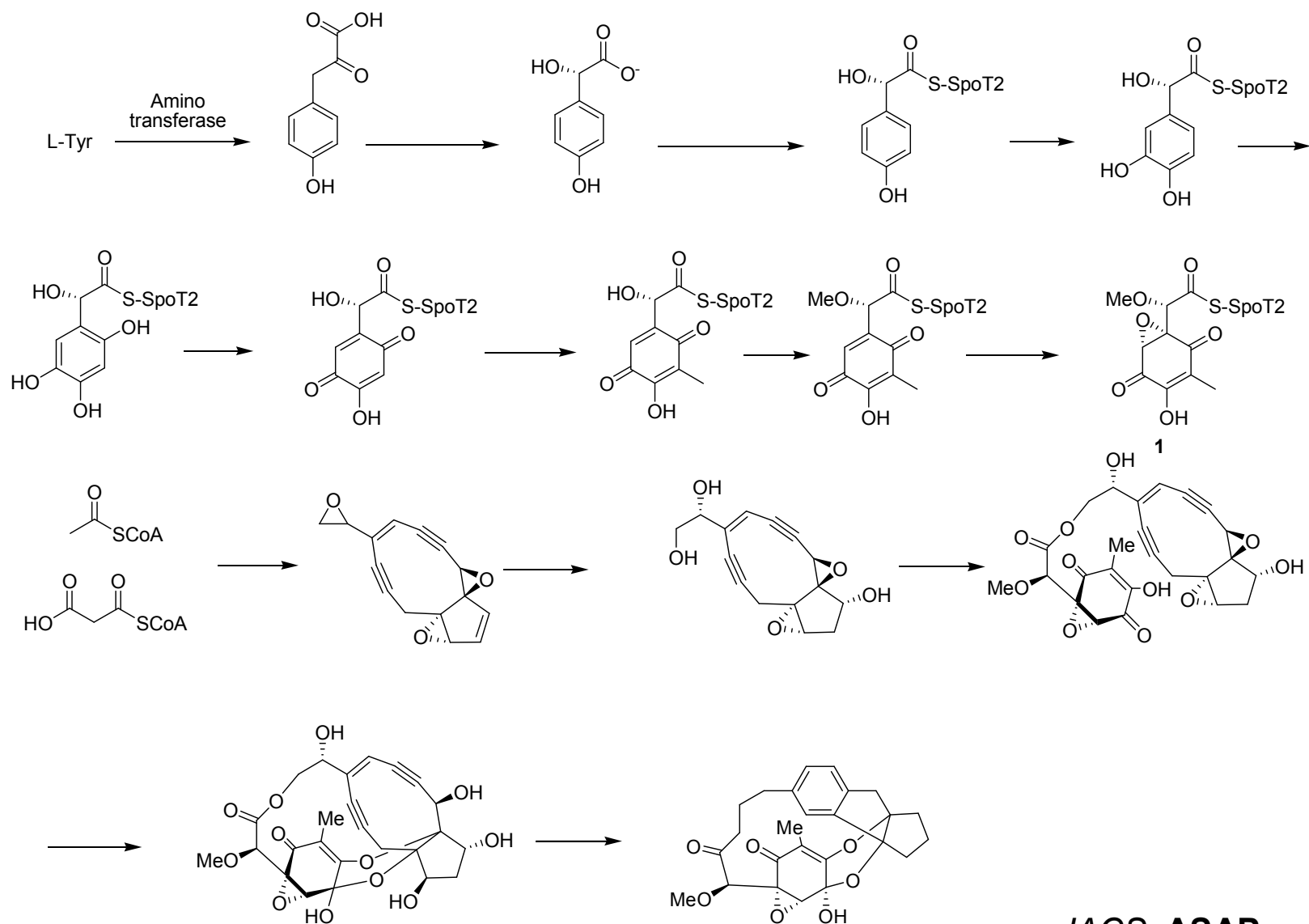
-Isolated in 2005 from a strain of the marine-derived actinomycete *Salinospora tropica*

- No reported biological activity so far

-Structurally very interesting with 24 carbons of which 22 are either oxygenated or sp² hybridized, 10 stereocenters and 7 rings.

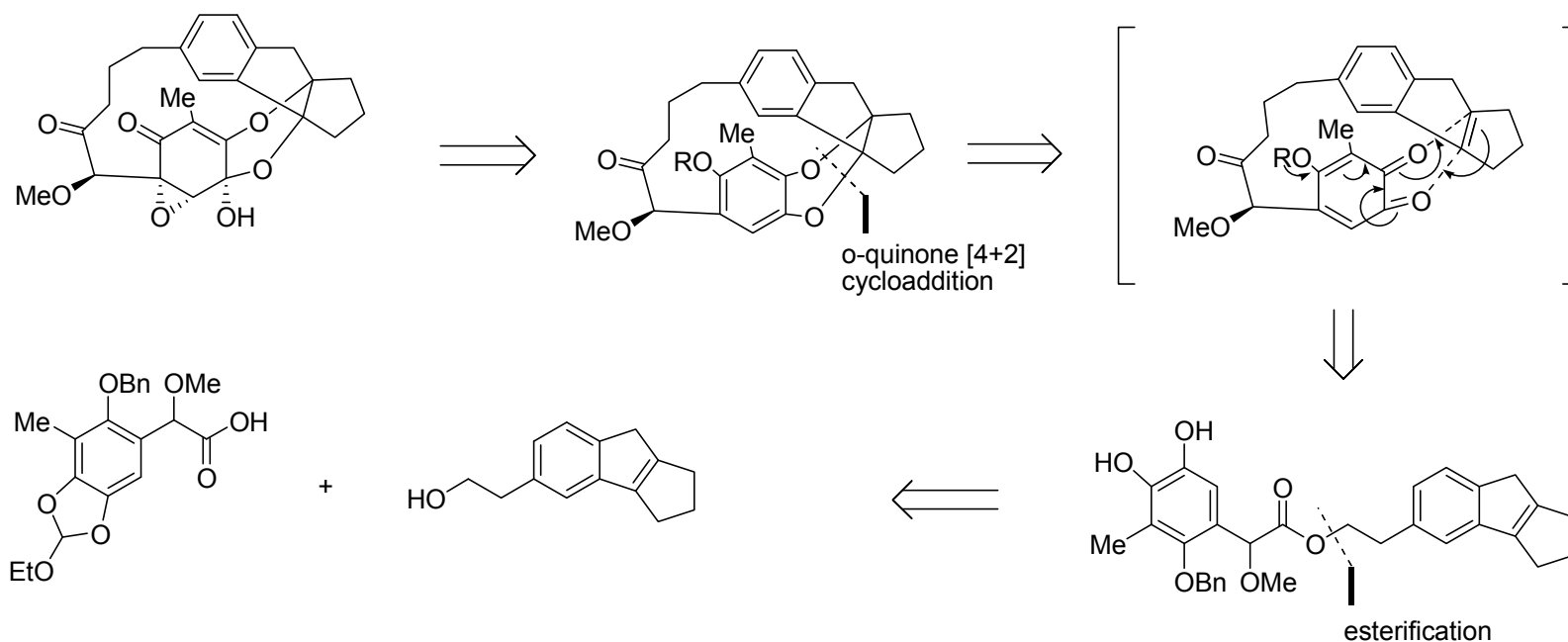
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Biosynthesis Proposal



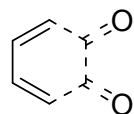
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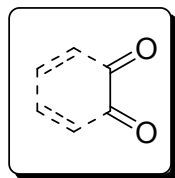


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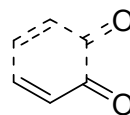
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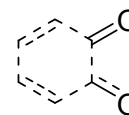
Carbodiene



Heterodiene

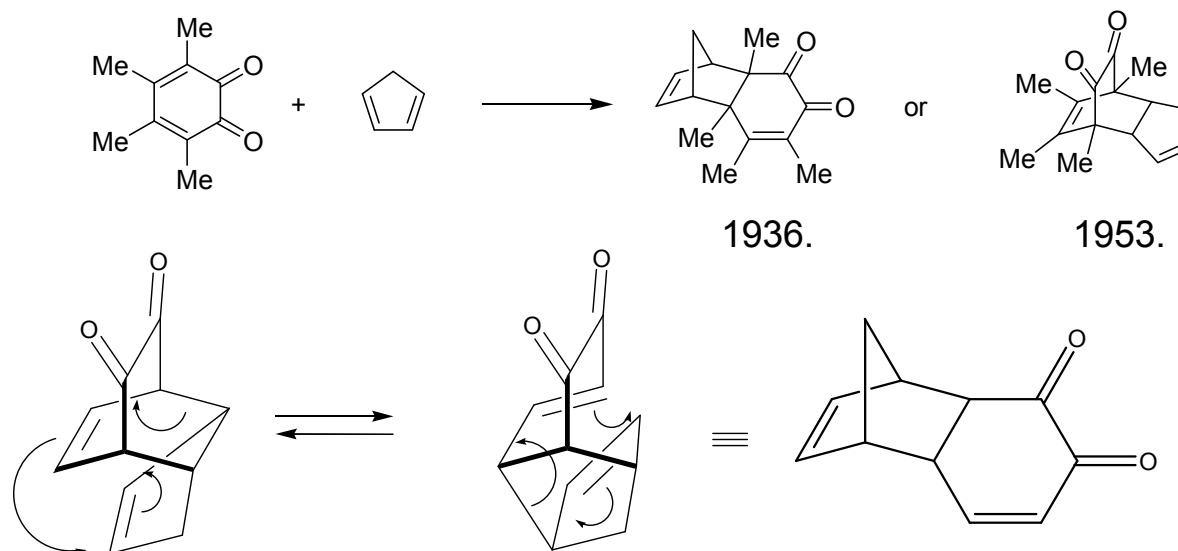


Dienophile



Heterodienophile

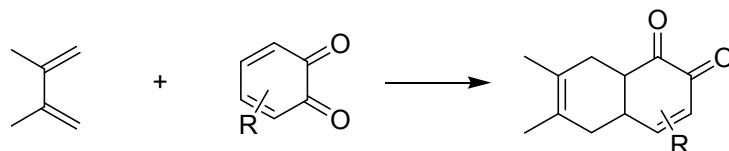
-The first Diels-Alder reactivity of o-benzoquinones reported in 1936. by Smith and Hac



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O-Quinones in Cycloadditions

-In Diels-Alder reactions with acyclic dienes o-benzoquinones always function as dienophiles, addition occurring preferentially to the more electron deficient double bond.

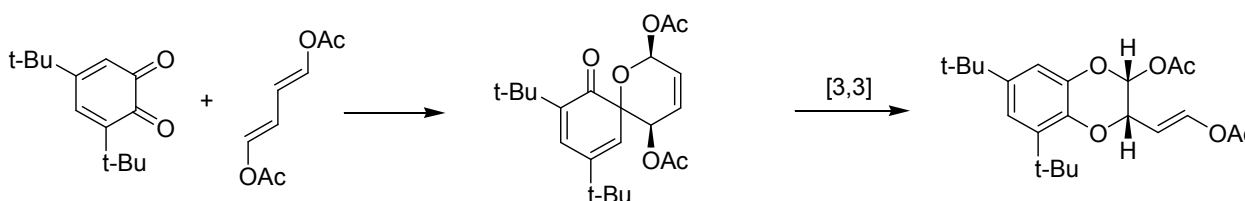


Entry	R	Yield (%)	Site of addition
1	H	51	3,4=5,6
2	3-Me	27	5,6
3	4-Me	39	5,6
4	3-MeO	75	5,6
5	4-MeO	80	5,6
6	3-Cl	90	5,6
7	4-Cl	60	5,6
8	4-NHAc	87	5,6
9	4-CO ₂ Me	75	3,4
10	4-CN	19	3,4
11	3-Me, 5-Me	44	3,4 and 5,6
12	4-Me, 5-CO ₂ Me	63	5,6
13	3-Me, 5-CN	13	5,6

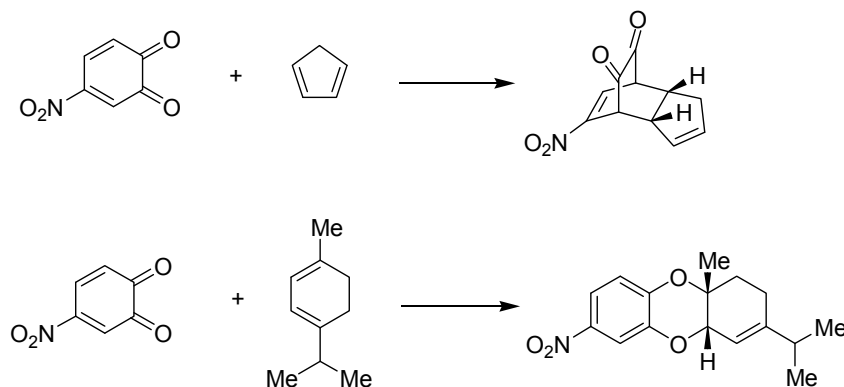
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O-Quinones in Cycloadditions

-Very electron rich acyclic dienes react with o-benzoquinones to give benzodioxin adducts. The reaction is proposed to be stepwise, involving Diels-Alder reaction followed by Cope rearrangement.



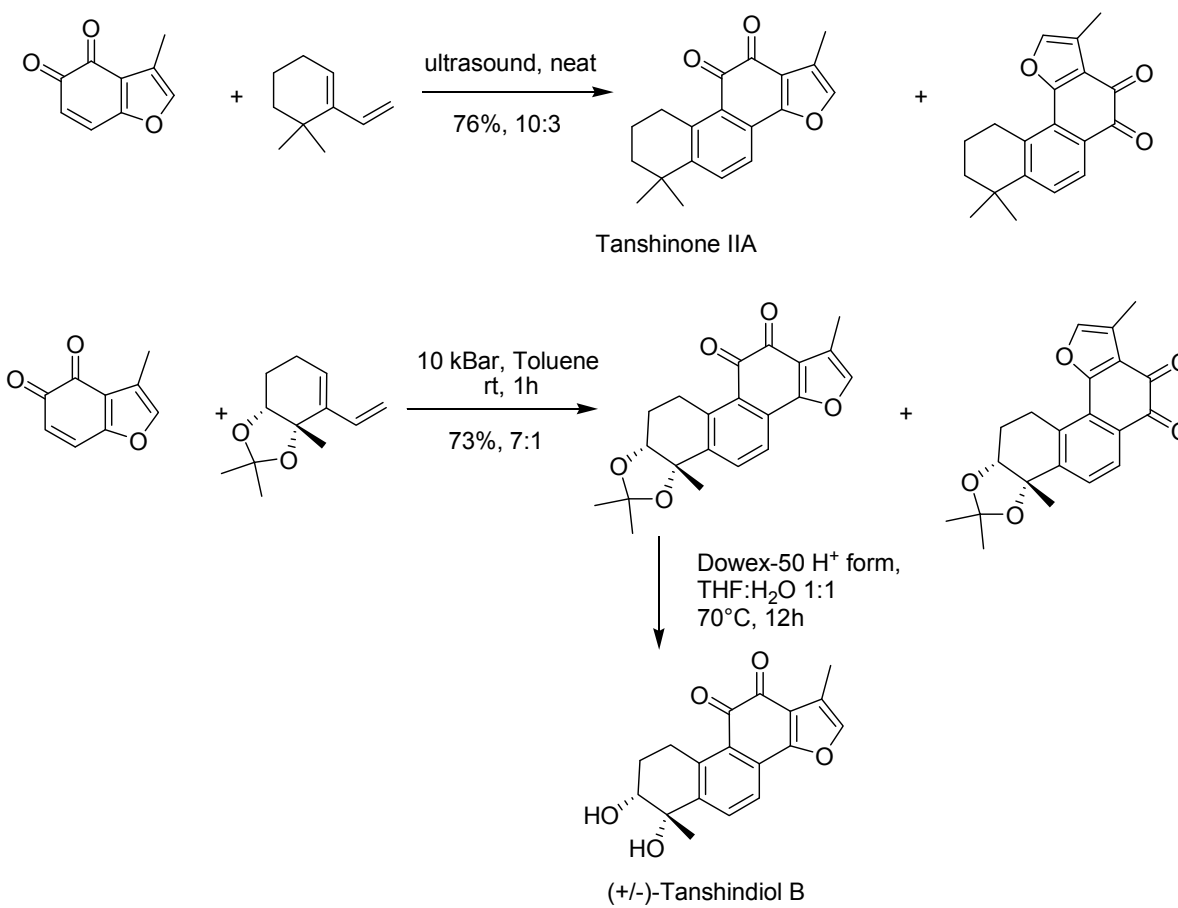
-Electron poor o-quinones can react in different ways with different cyclic electron rich dienes



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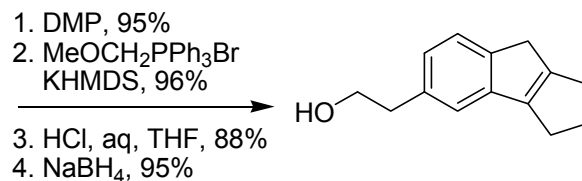
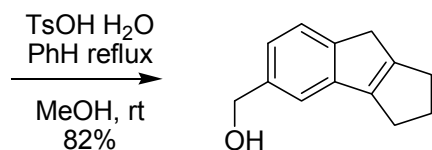
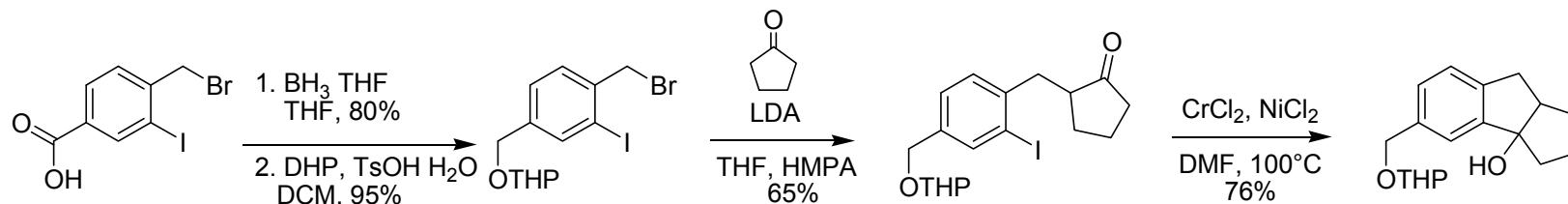
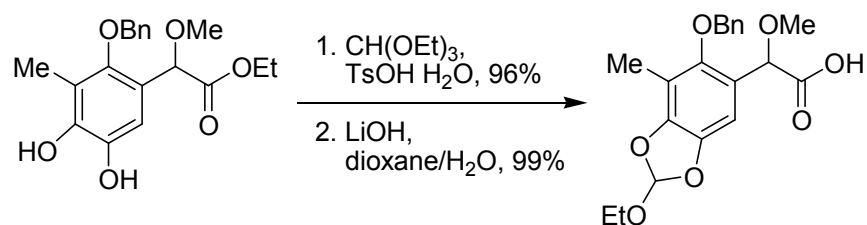
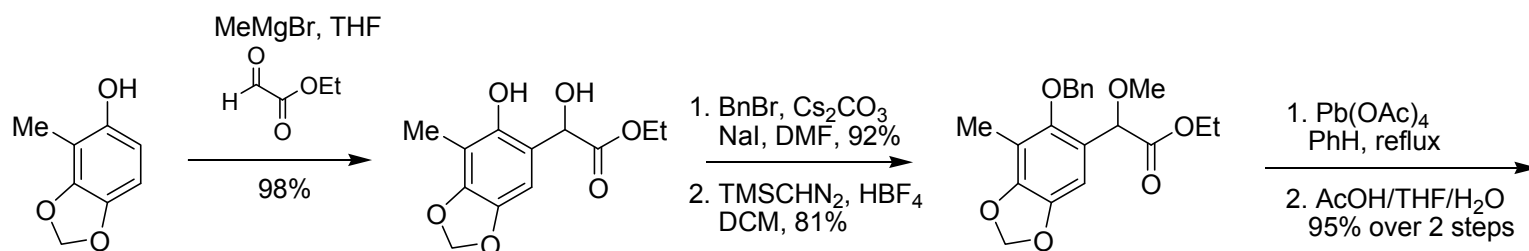
O-Quinones in Cycloadditions

-There are examples of applications of o-quinone reacting as carbodienophile in total synthesis of natural products. However, there are no examples of application of heterodiene reactivity of o-quinones.



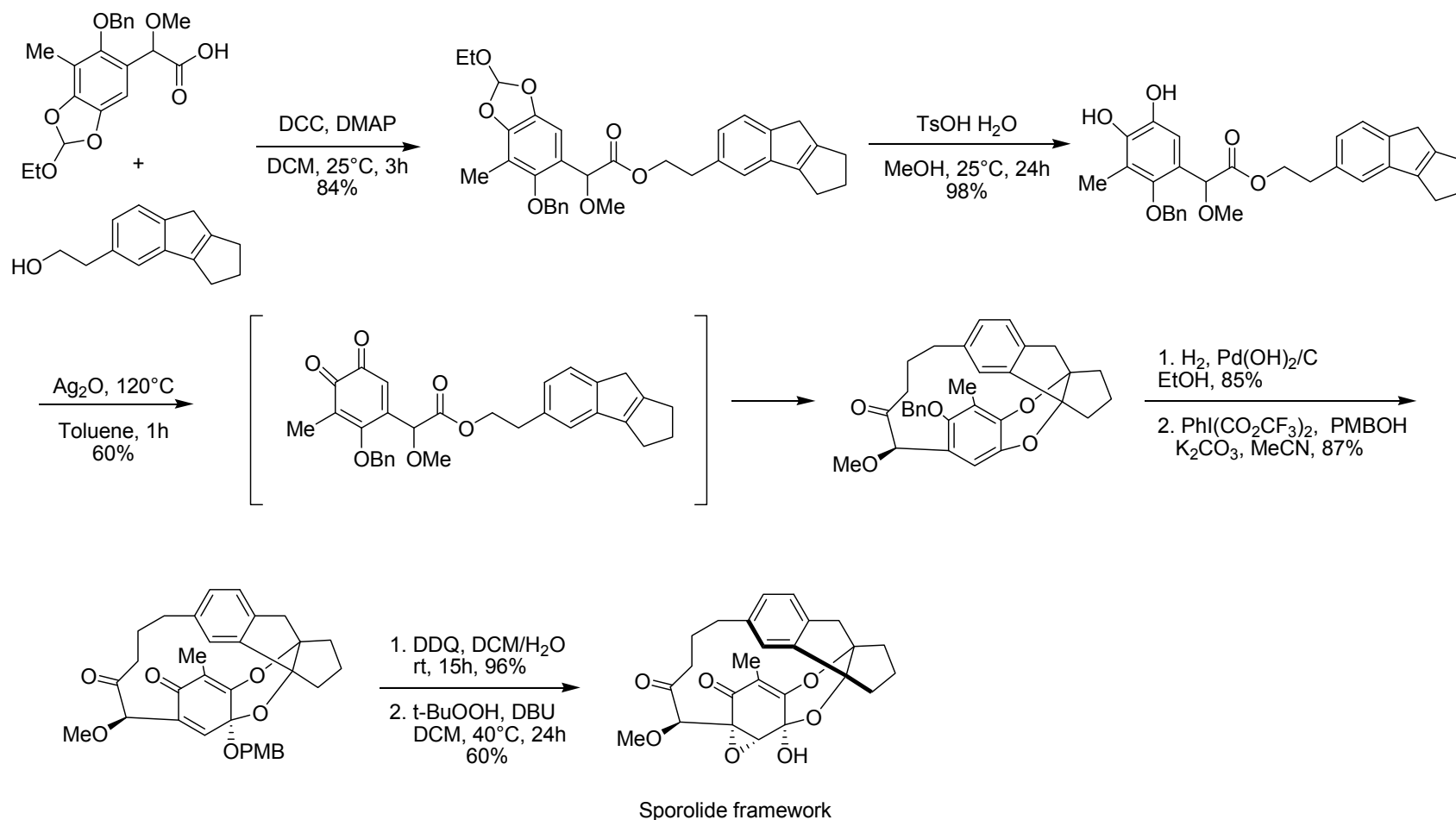
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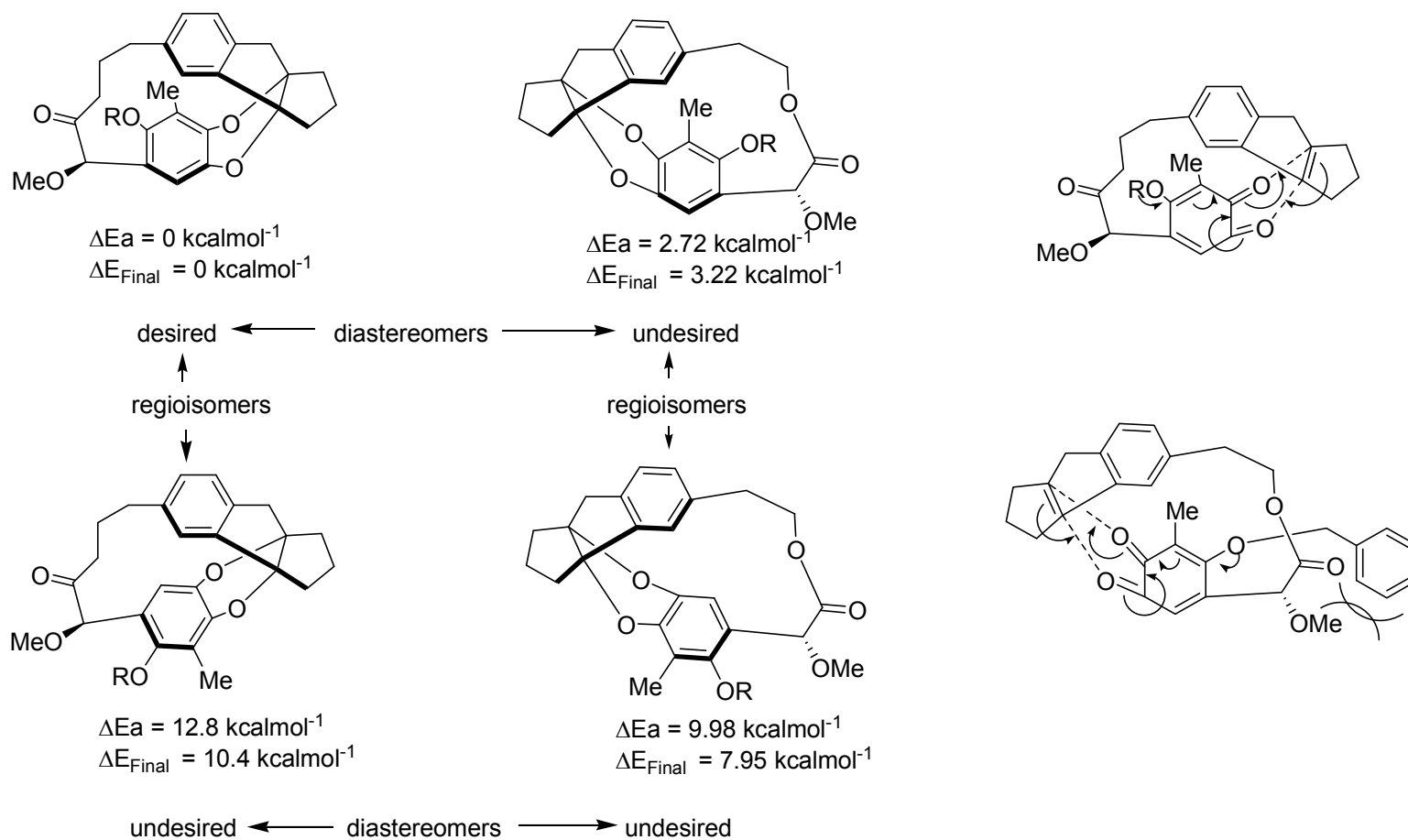
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Stereoselectivity of Cycloaddition



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Conclusions

- The feasibility of a cascade sequence involving a novel [4+2] cycloaddition reaction to construct the macrocyclic framework of sporolides A and B was demonstrated.
- The reaction occurs in regioselective and stereoselective manner.
- This reaction raises the possibility for this type of cycloadditions being involved in biosynthesis of these molecules.
- The work on the total synthesis of sporolides is ongoing.