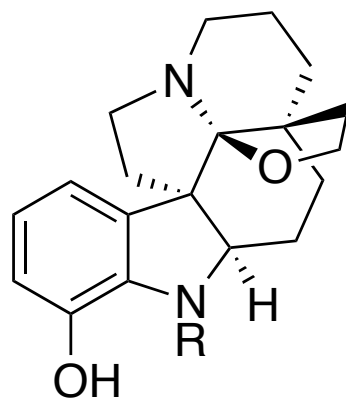


# Concise Total Syntheses of (+)-Haplocidine and (+)-Haplocine Via Late-Stage Oxidation of (+)-Fendleridine Derivatives

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(+)-haplocidine, R = COMe  
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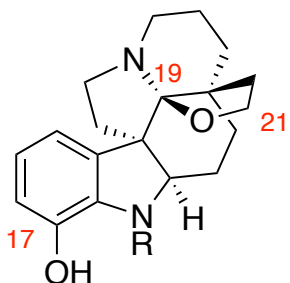
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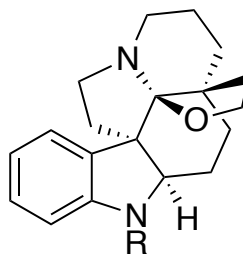
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# (+)-Haplocidine and (+)-Haplocine

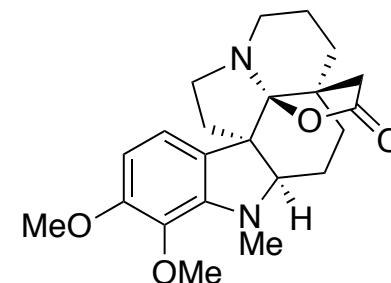
- (+)-Haplocidine and (+)-Haplocine are a subset of Aspidosperma alkaloids isolated from Apocynaceae
- Potent caspase-8 inhibitor
- Hexacyclic C19-hemiaminal ether alkaloid



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(+)-acetylaspidalbidine, R = COMe  
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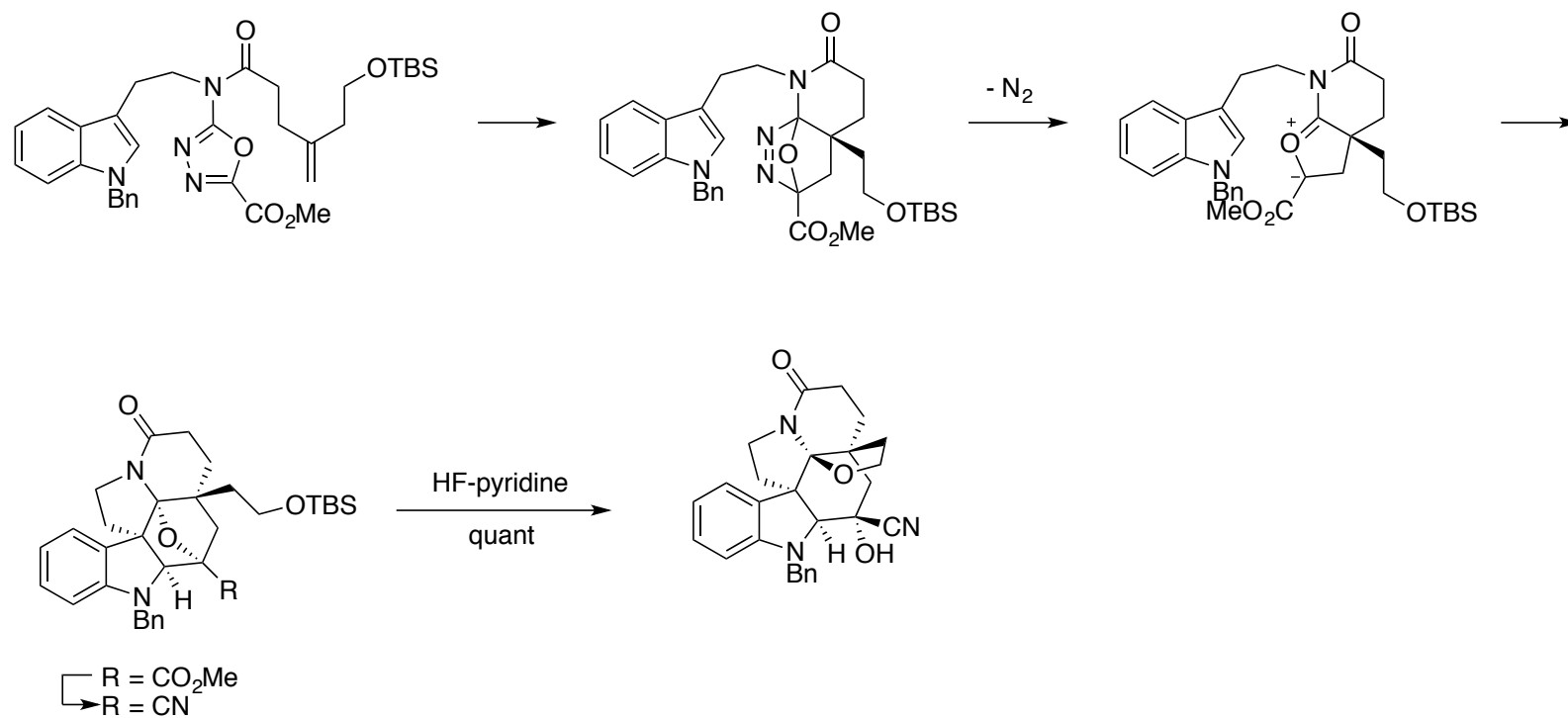


(-)-aspidophytine

Structurally related aspidosperma alkaloids

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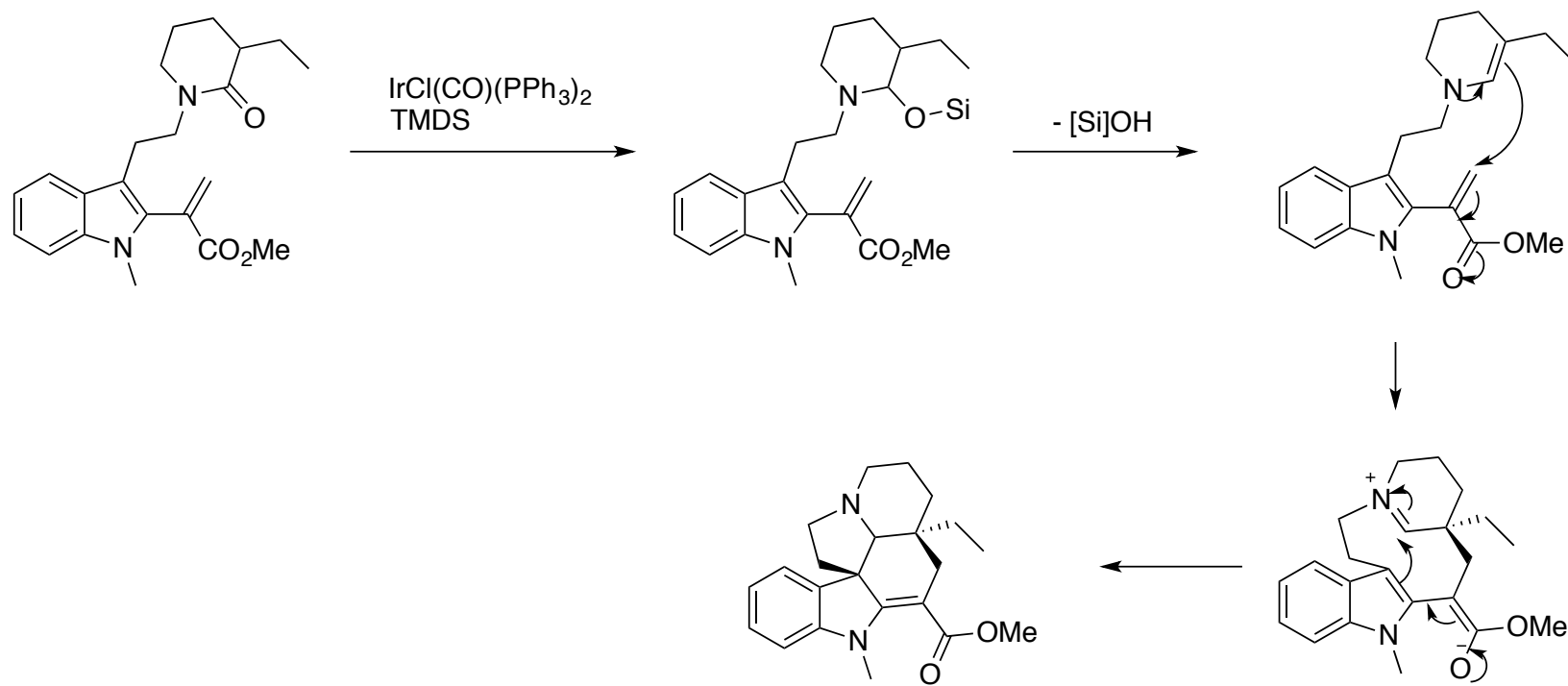
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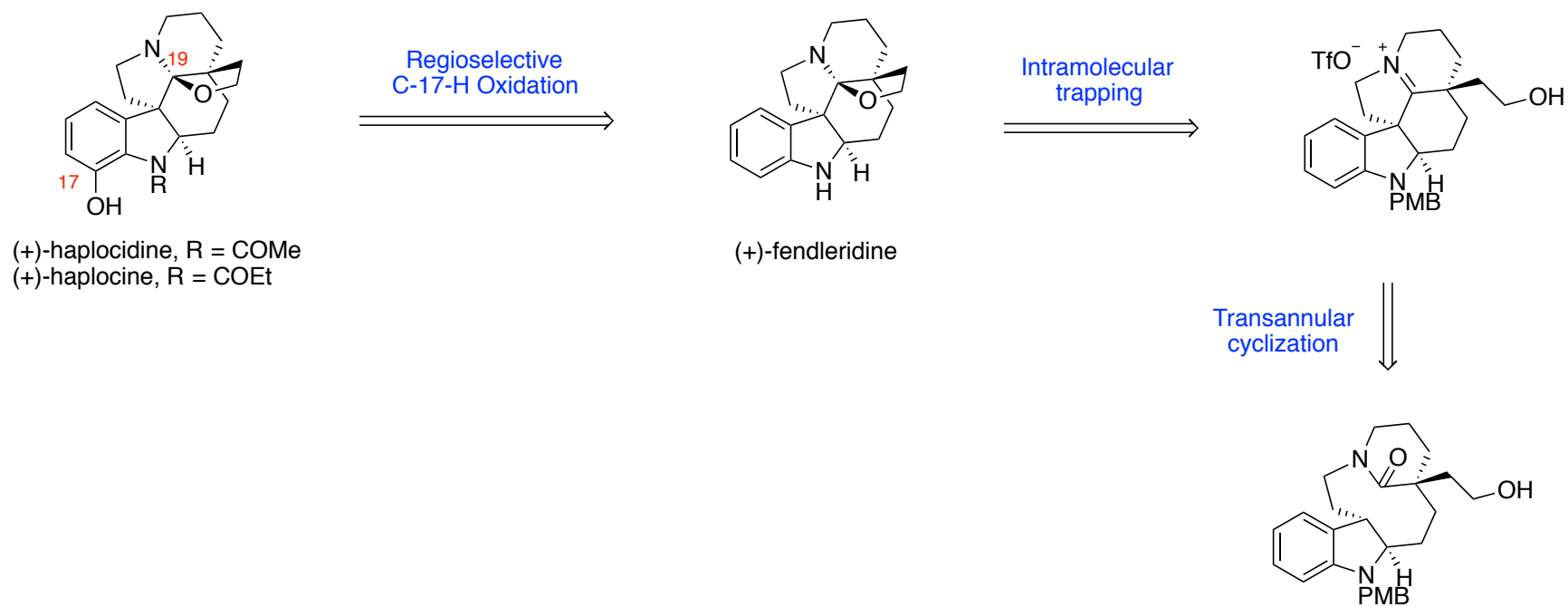
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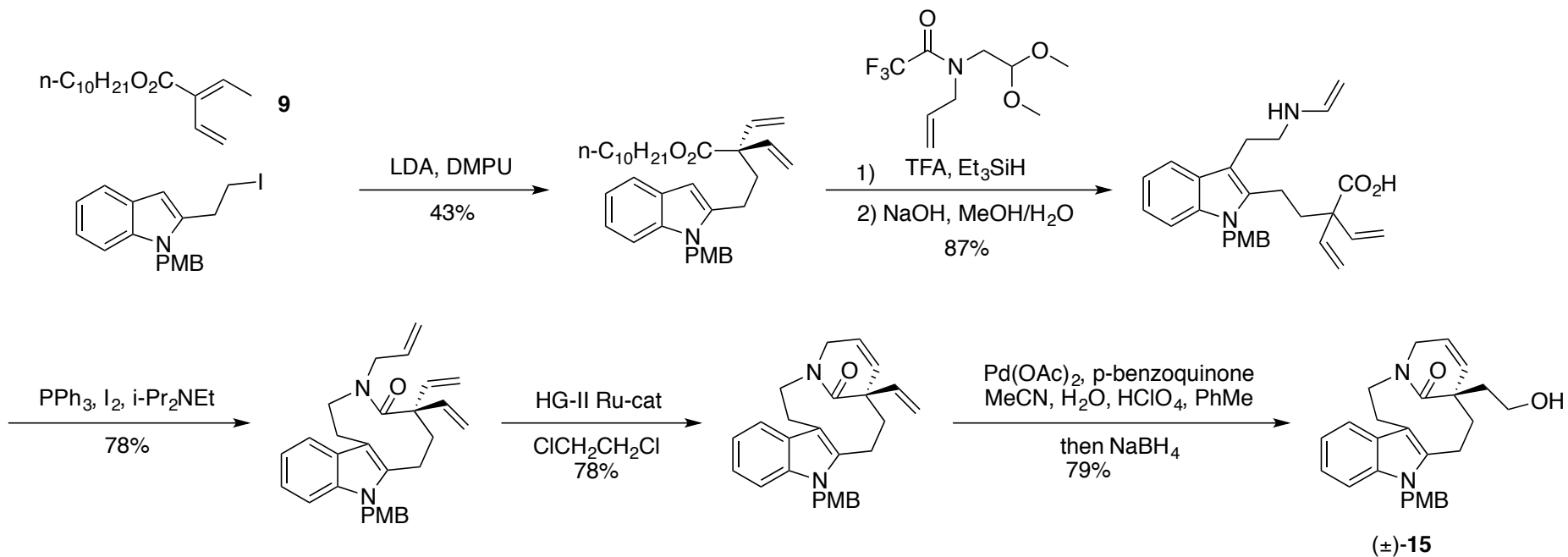
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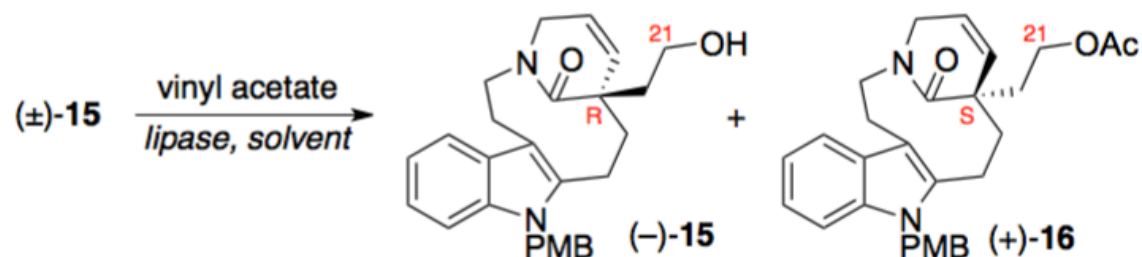


# Synthesis of (+)-fendleridine



# Resolution of alcohol

**Table 1.** Enzymatic resolution of alcohol ( $\pm$ )-**15**<sup>a</sup>

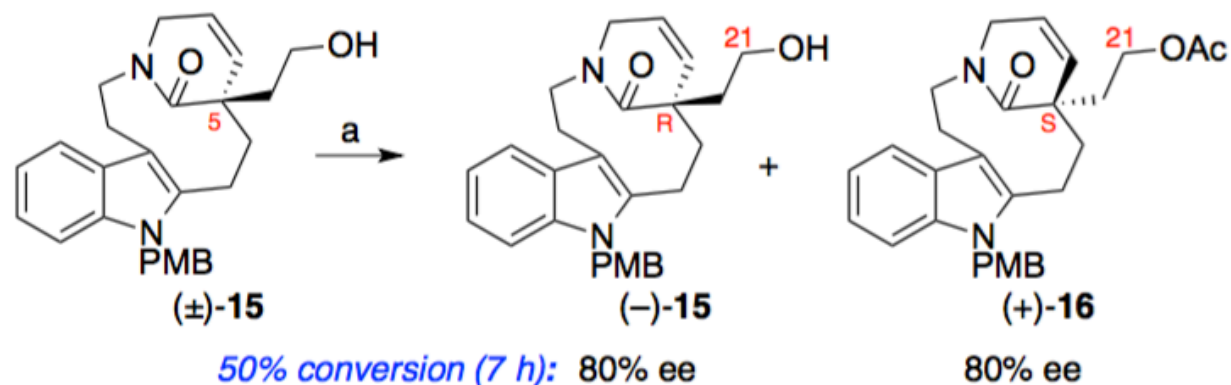


entry	lipase	solvent	conversion	ee of (-)- <b>15</b>	ee of (+)- <b>16</b>
1	CAL-B	PhMe	–	–	–
2	CCL	PhMe	44%	38%	30%
3	CCL	THF	<15%	8%	49%
4	CCL	PhMe <sup>b</sup>	65%	74%	26%
5	CCL	<i>t</i> -BuOMe	55%	60%	42%
<b>6</b>	<b>Amano PS</b>	<b><i>t</i>-BuOMe</b>	<b>55%</b>	<b>92%</b>	<b>50%</b>

<sup>a</sup>Reagents and conditions: vinyl acetate (2.0 equiv), 23 °C. Each resolution was monitored for 48 h or until approximately 50% conversion to (+)-**16** (HPLC analysis), whichever occurred first. <sup>b</sup> Triethylamine (1.0 equiv) was utilized as an additive. CAL-B = *Candida antarctica* lipase B, CCL = *Candida rugosa* lipase, Amano PS = *Burkholderia cepacia* lipase.

# Optimization

**Scheme 3.** Preparation of alcohols (-)-15 and (+)-15<sup>a</sup>



- excellent selectivity  
 $E = 22$
- distal, quaternary stereochemistry
- ready access to both enantiomers

preparation of alcohol (-)-15 at 64% conversion (10 h):

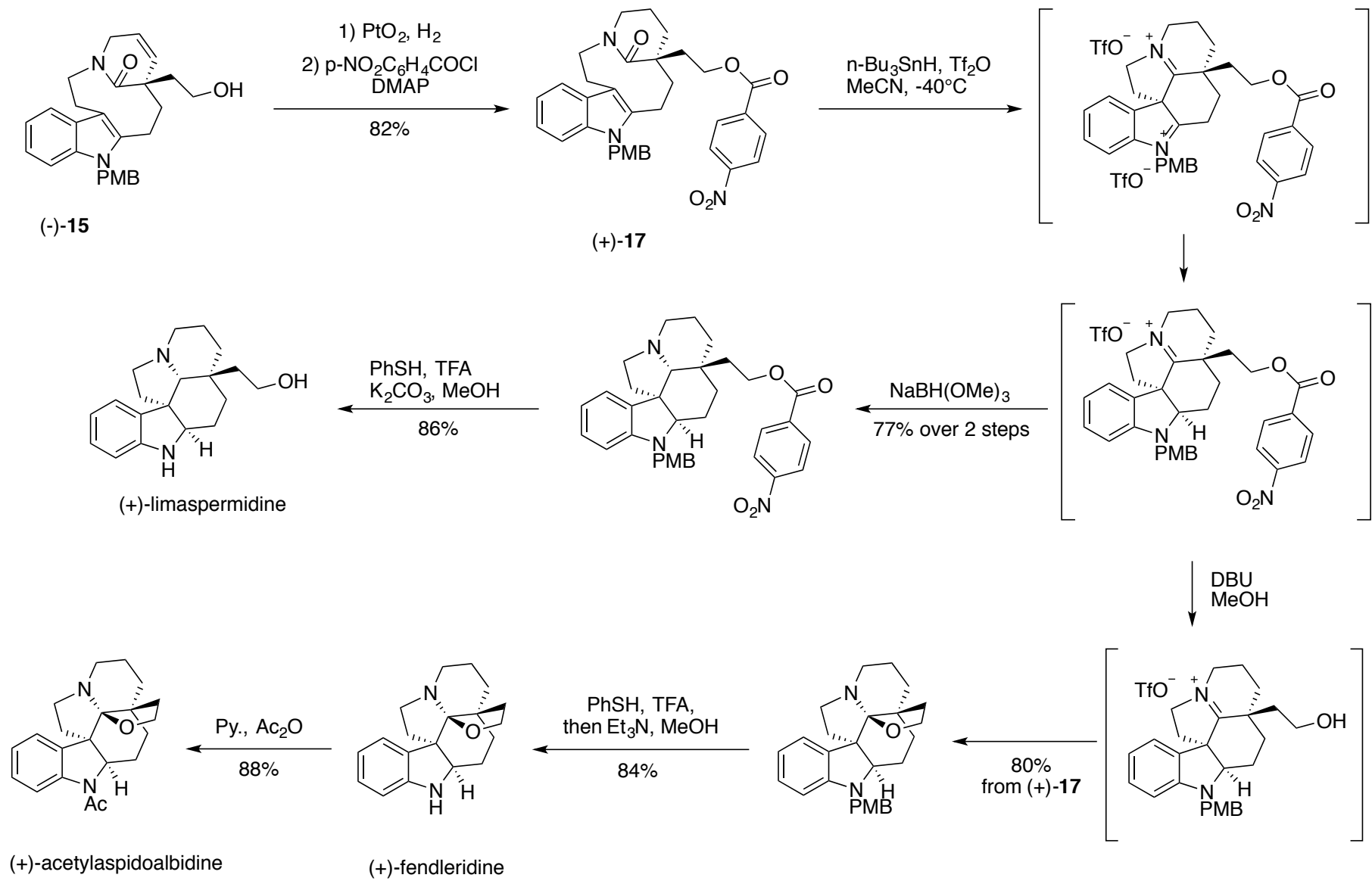
(-)-15, >98% ee, 36%      (+)-16, 56% ee, 60%

preparation of alcohol (+)-15 from acetate (+)-16:

(+)-16, 71% ee  $\xrightarrow{\text{b}}$  (+)-15, 90% ee, 46%

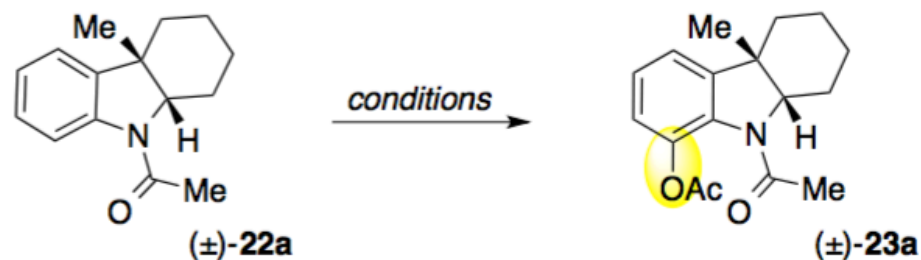
<sup>a</sup>Reagents and conditions: (a) Amano PS Lipase (>500 U/g), vinyl acetate (4.50 equiv), *t*-BuOMe, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 28 °C. (b) CCL, H<sub>2</sub>O, Et<sub>3</sub>N, *t*-BuOMe, 21 h, 28 °C.





# Oxidation of C17-H

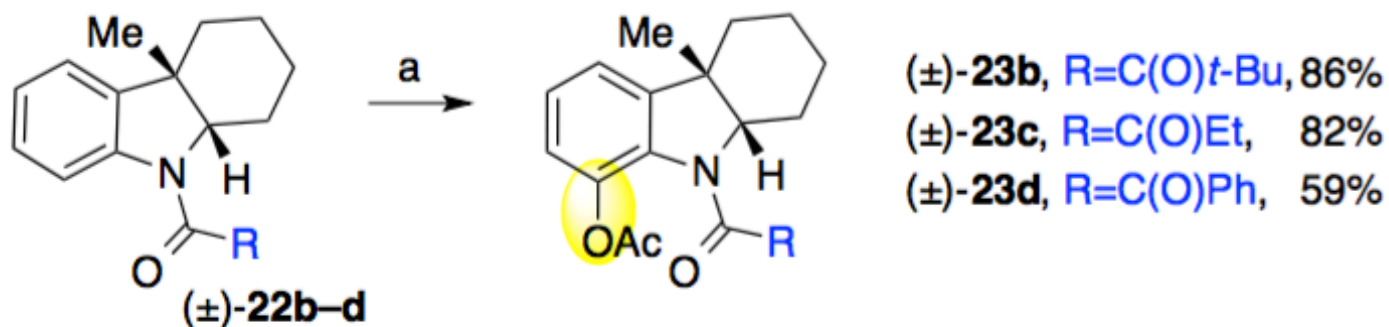
**Table 2.** Directed C–H oxidation of indoline ( $\pm$ )-**22a** <sup>a</sup>



entry	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	PhI(OAc) <sub>2</sub>	time	temperature	solvent	yield
1	20 mol%	4 equiv	24 h	70 °C	HFIP	38%
2	100 mol%	2 equiv	24 h	55 °C	HFIP	61%
3	20 mol%	2 equiv	24 h	100 °C	AcOH	23%
4	100 mol%	2.5 equiv	12 h	100 °C	AcOH <sup>b</sup>	87%
<b>5</b>	<b>15 mol%</b>	<b>2.5 equiv</b>	<b>9 h</b>	<b>100 °C</b>	<b>AcOH<sup>b</sup></b>	<b>84%</b>
6	5 mol%	2.5 equiv	12 h	100 °C	AcOH <sup>b</sup>	67%
7	—	2.5 equiv	12 h	100 °C	AcOH <sup>b</sup>	0%
8	20 mol%	2.5 equiv	13 h	100 °C	AcOH <sup>b,c</sup>	74%

<sup>a</sup>Reactions conducted in *solvent* and Ac<sub>2</sub>O mixture (10:1, v/v). <sup>b</sup>Reaction conducted under O<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. <sup>c</sup>Reaction conducted without Ac<sub>2</sub>O.

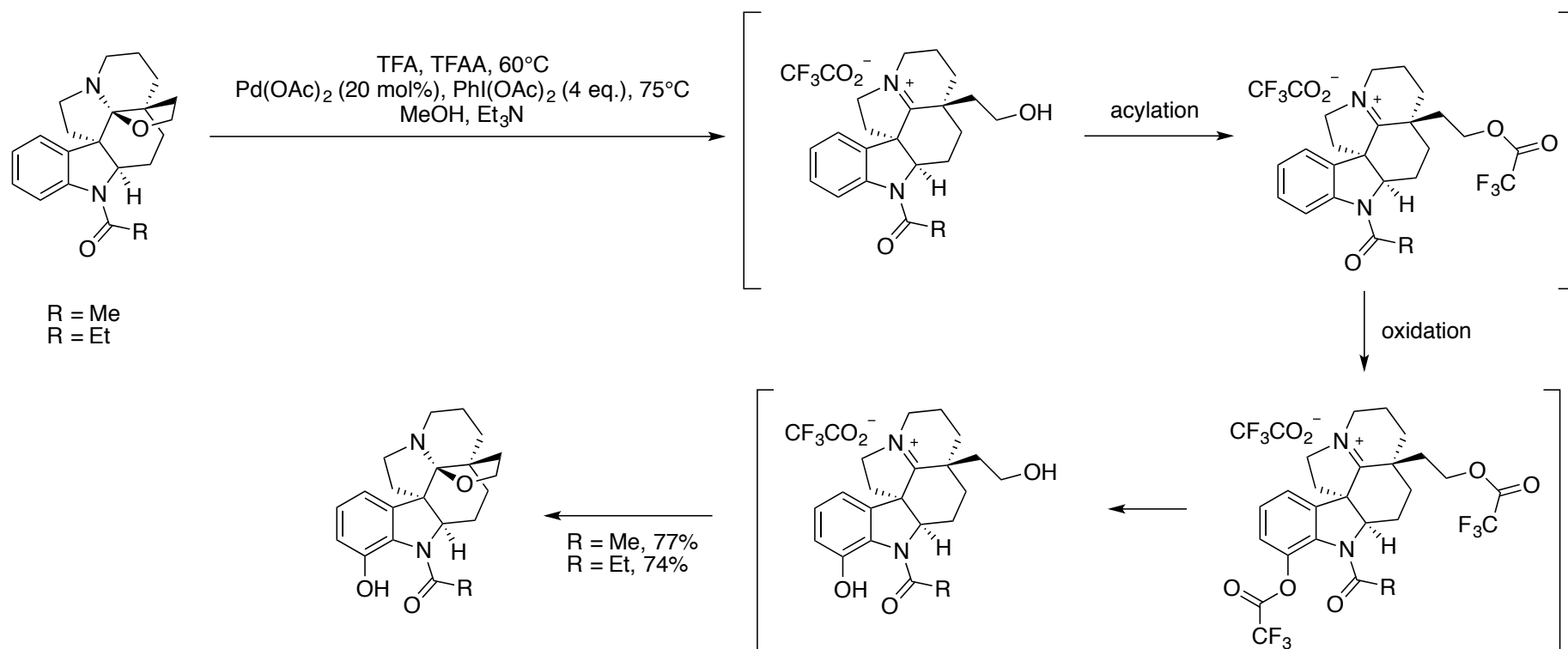
# Amide group preference



<sup>a</sup>Reagents and conditions: (a) Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (15 mol%), PhI(OAc)<sub>2</sub> (2.5 equiv), AcOH, Ac<sub>2</sub>O, 100 °C, O<sub>2</sub>.

- (±)-**23b**, the *s*-cis conformer, was calculated to be 1.52 kcal/mol lower in energy than the corresponding *s*-trans conformer
- The *s*-cis conformer for amide (±)-**23d** was only 0.13 kcal/mol.

# Synthesis of (+)-Haplocidine and (+)-Haplocine



Reverse hemiaminal opening needed to deactivate the amine lone pair

# Conclusion

- First total synthesis of (+)-Haplocidine and (+)-Haplocine via a unified strategy
- Highly stereoselective synthesis of versatile iminium ion
- Directed C-H oxidation

