

*Analogues Preparation of (\pm)-Meloscine
Using Radical Cascade Reaction*

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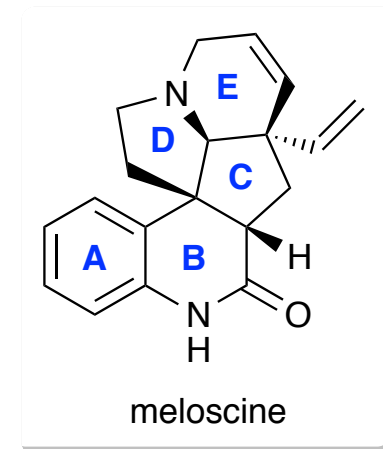
Outline

- Background of Meloscine
- Previous Synthetic Studies
 - (±)-Meloscine – Overman, Mukai, Feldman, and Curran
 - (+)-Meloscine – Bach
- Radical Reactions
- Analogues Preparation
- Conclusion

Meloscine

A representative member of *Melodinus* alkaloids.

Meloscine was isolated from the New Caledonian plant *Melodinus Scandens Forst* in 1969.



Extracts of some *Melodinus* species are traditional Chinese folk medicines to treat meningitis and rheumatic heart disease.

Structure features

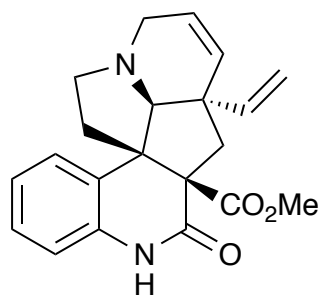
- Pentacyclic system
- Dihydroquinolin-2-one moiety (rings A/B)
- Cyclopentane ring containing 4 stereogenic centers (ring C)

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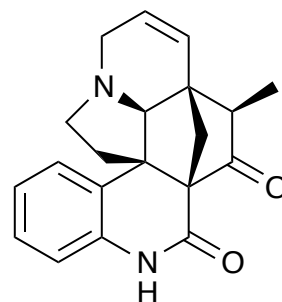
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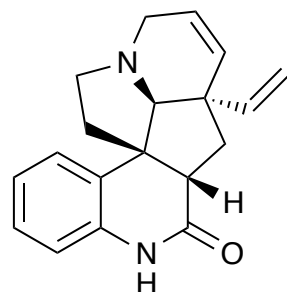
Representative Examples of the Melodinus Alkaloids



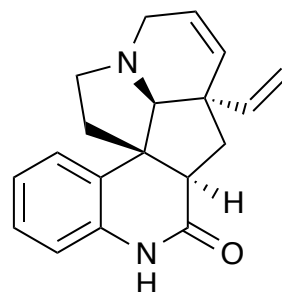
(+)-Scandine



(+)-Meloscandonine



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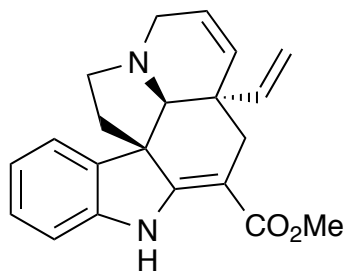


(+)-Epimeloscine

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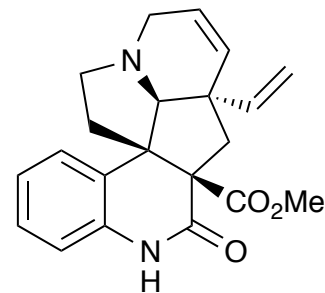
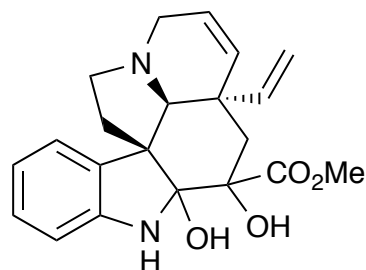
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Biosynthesis of the Melodinus Alkaloids



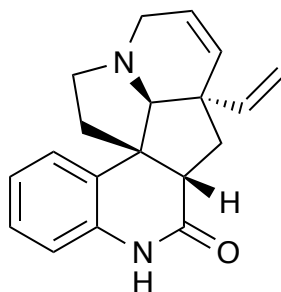
18,19-Dehydrotabersonine

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Scandine

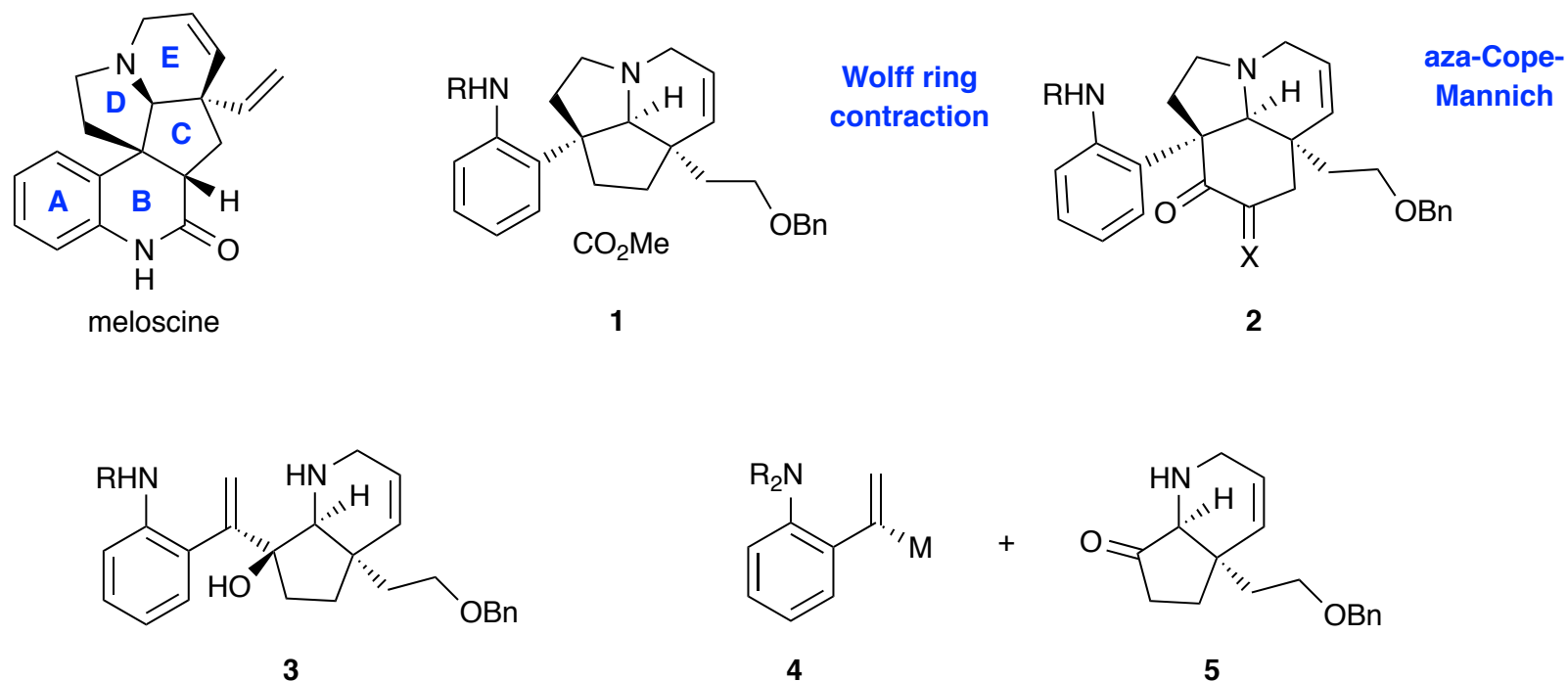
hydrolysis
decarboxylation



Meloscine

biomimetic semisynthesis of (+)-scandine and (+)-meloscine from 18,19-dehydrotabersonine:
Palmisano, G.; Danieli, B.; Lesma, G.; Riva, R.; Riva, S. Demartin, F.; Masciocchi, N. *J. Org. Chem.* **1984**, *49*, 4138–4143. Hugel, G.; Levy, J. *J. Org. Chem.* **1986**, *51*, 1594–1595.

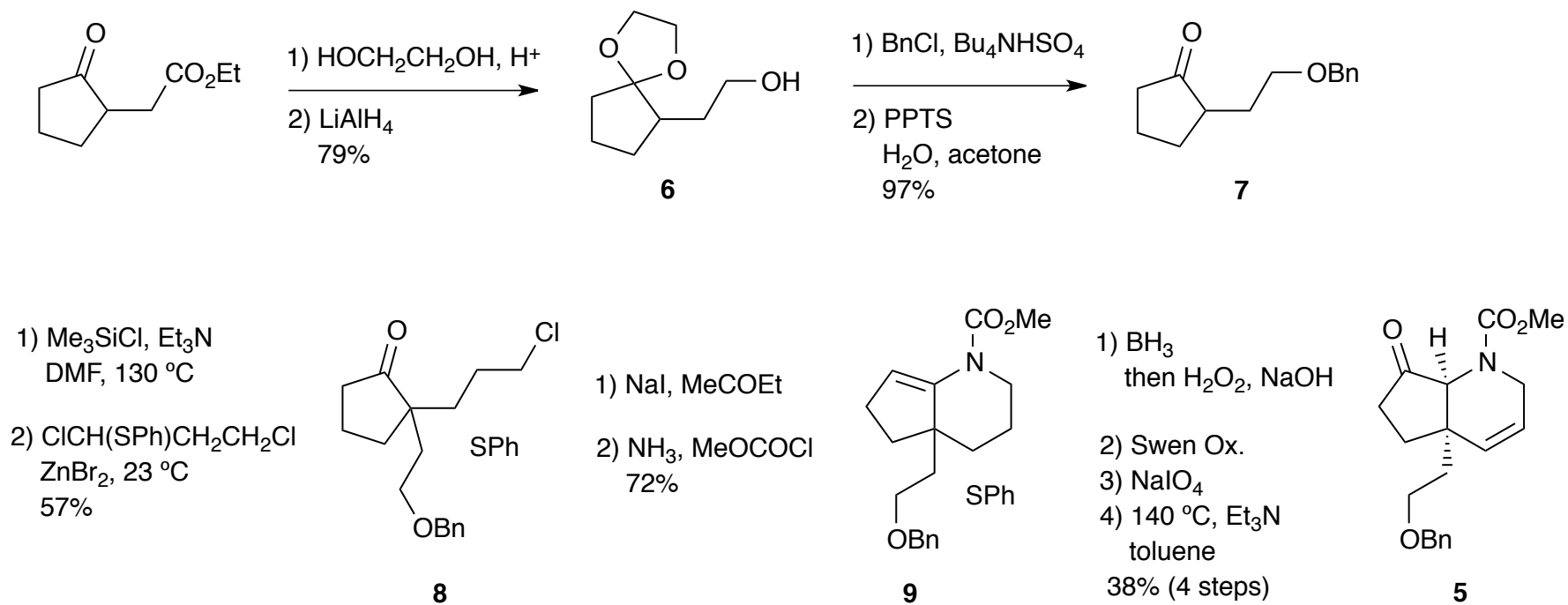
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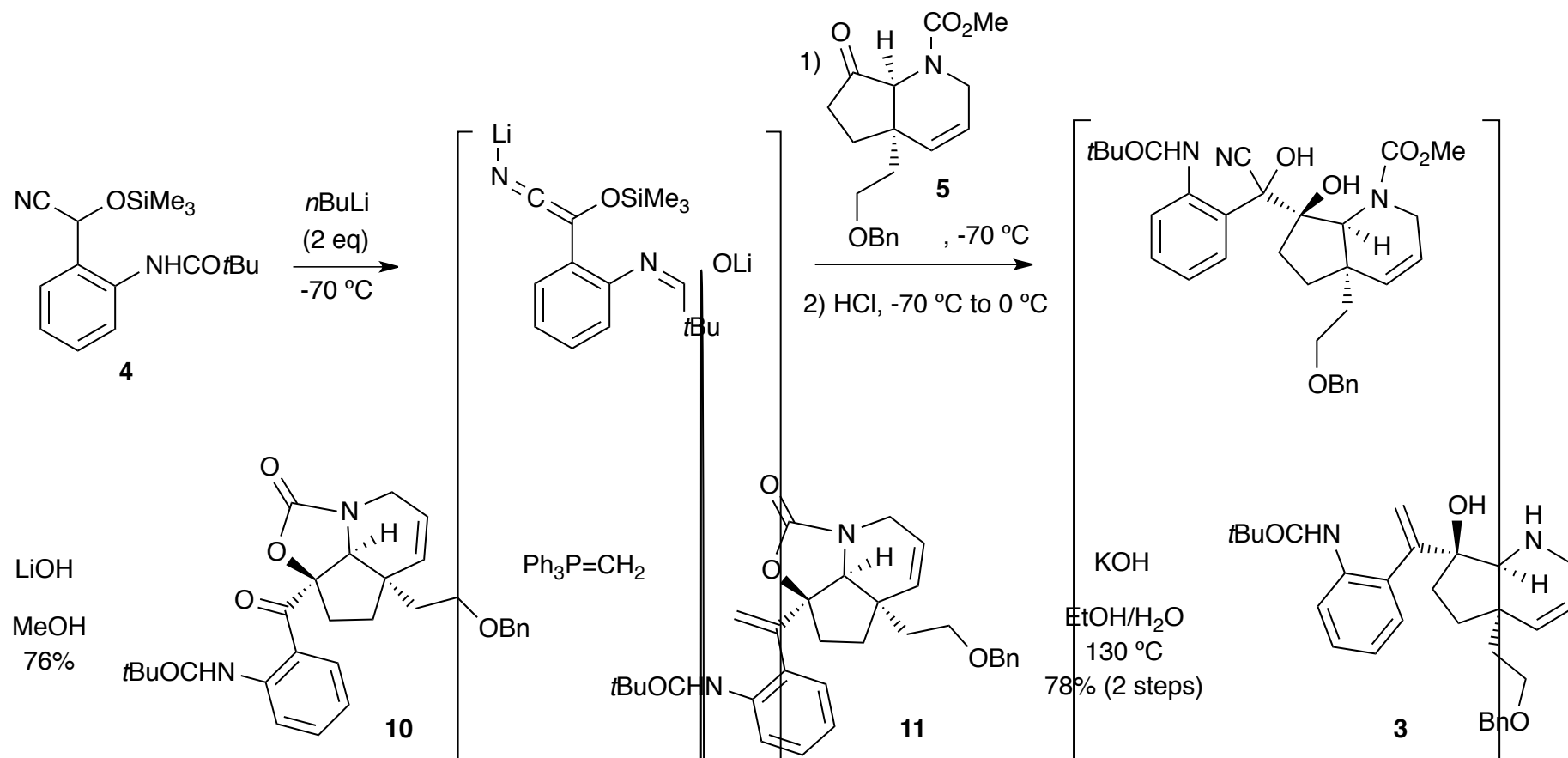
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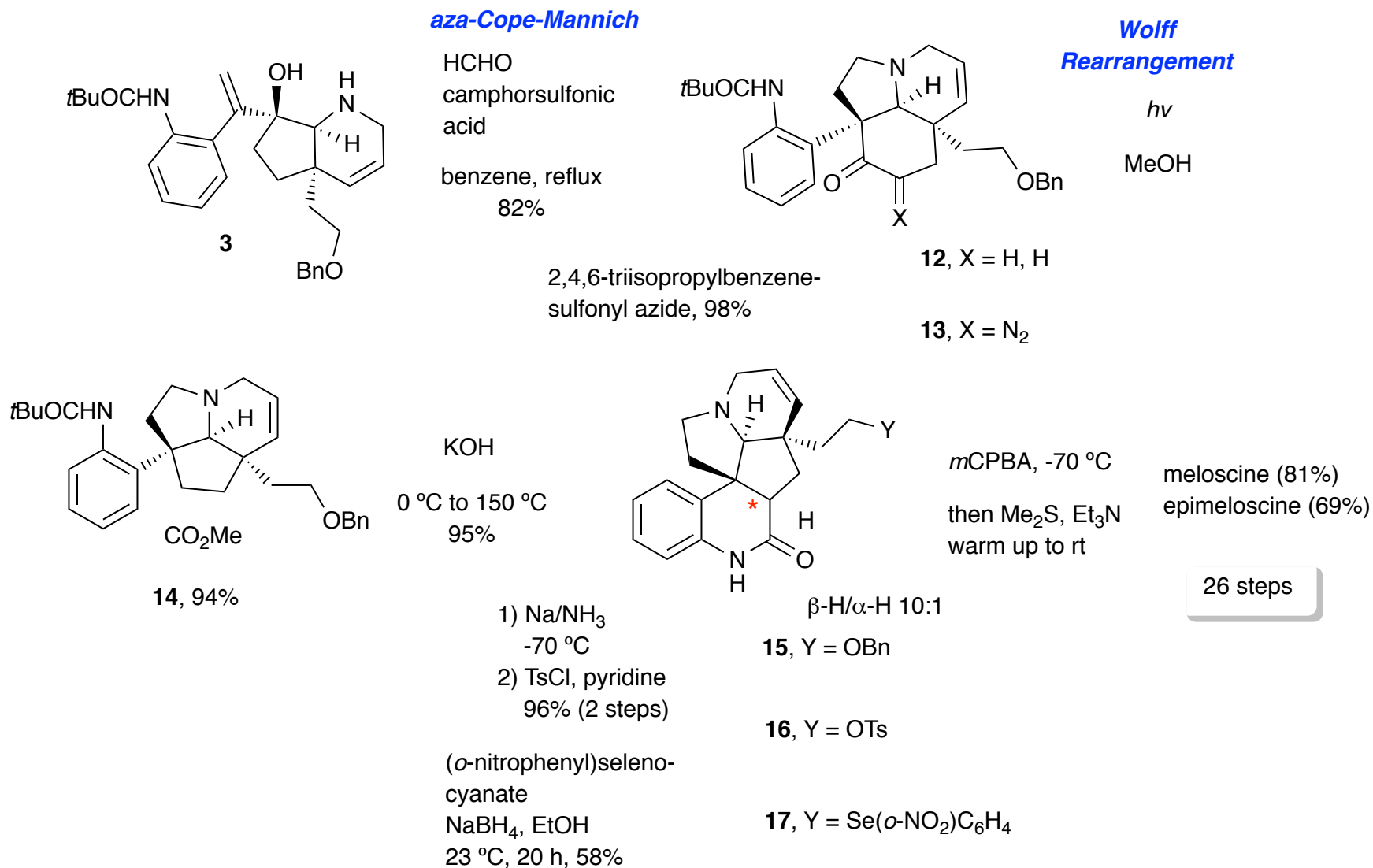
Conversion to Aza-Cope-Mannich Rearrangement Precursor



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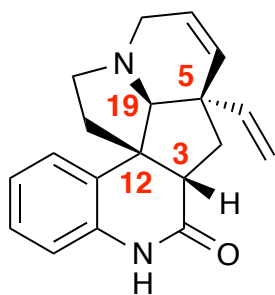
Aza-Cope-Mannich Rearrangement and End Game



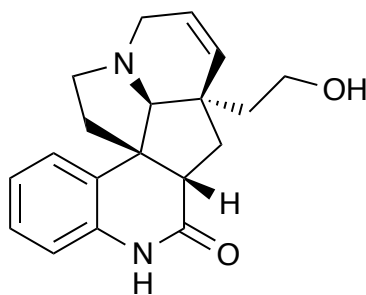
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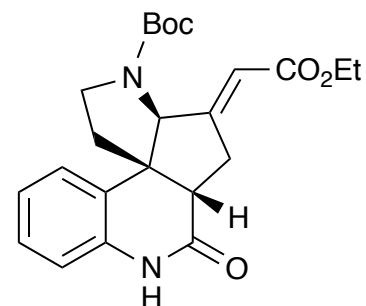
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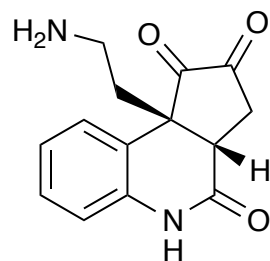
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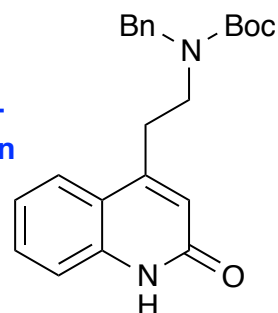


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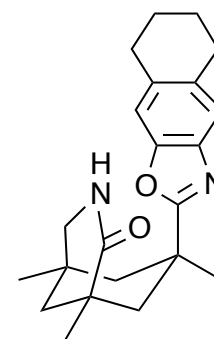


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[2+2] photo-
cycloaddition



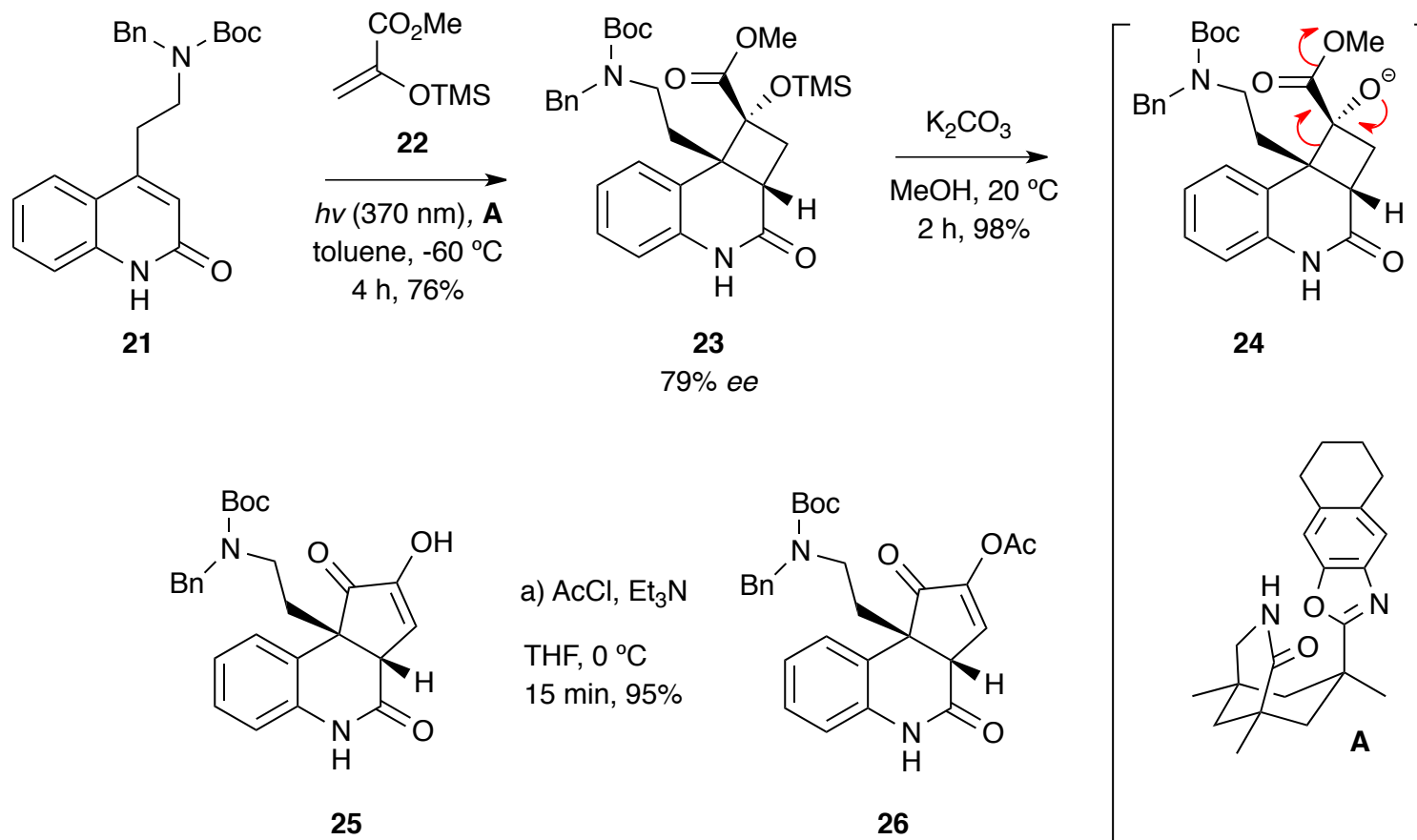
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quinolone



chiral complexing agent **A**

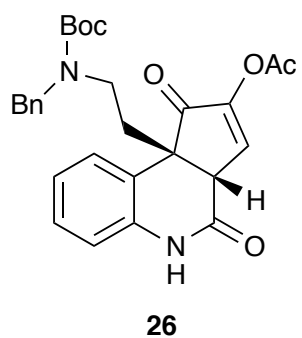
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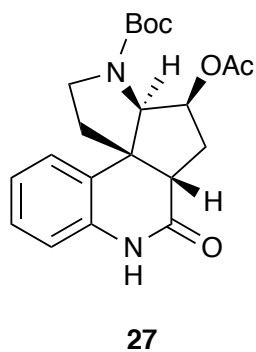


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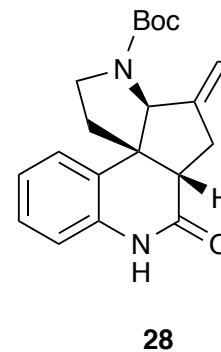
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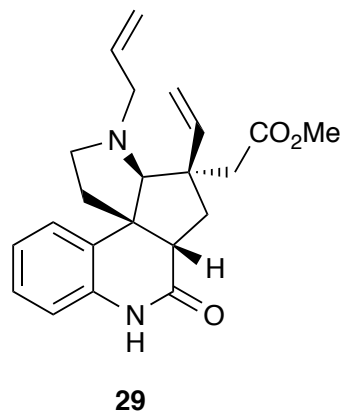
- b) TFA, CH₂Cl₂
20 °C, 1 h
c) H₂ Pd(OH)₂/C
MeOH, 0 °C to 20 °C
d) Boc₂O, Et₃N, CH₂Cl₂
20 °C, 1 h
78% (3 steps)



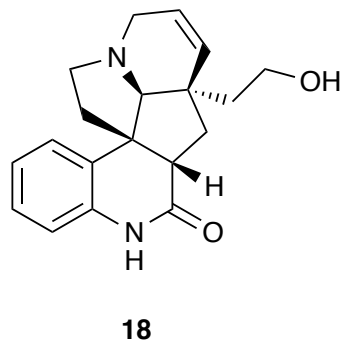
- e) K₂CO₃, MeOH
20 °C, 3.5 h, 94%
f) IBX, DMSO
20 °C, 18 h, 94%
g) Ph₃PCHCO₂Et
THF, reflux, 22 h, 84%
h) DIBAL-H, CH₂Cl₂
-45 °C, 30 min, 81%

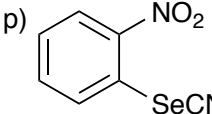


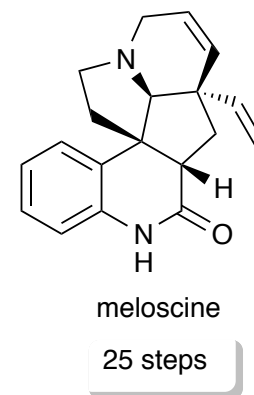
- i) MeC(OMe)₃
hydroquinone, 135 °C
16 h, 85% (*d.r.* 70:30)
j) TFA, CH₂Cl₂
20 °C, 1 h
k) allyl bromide
K₂CO₃, MeCN
20 °C, 20 h
65% (2 steps)



- l) Grubbs-II
toluene, 65 °C
18 h, 95%
m) DIBAL-H, CH₂Cl₂
-78 °C, 30 min
n) NaBH₄, EtOH
0 °C, 20 min
70% (2 steps)

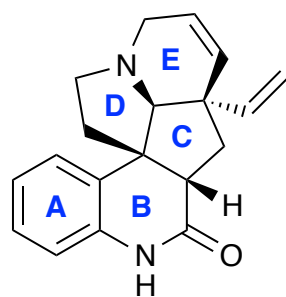


- o) TsCl, Et₃N
CH₂Cl₂, 20 °C
18 h, 72%
p)  SeCN, NaBH₄
EtOH, 20 °C, 80 h, 98%
q) TFA, mCPBA
CH₂Cl₂, -78 °C to 20 °C
4 h, 86%

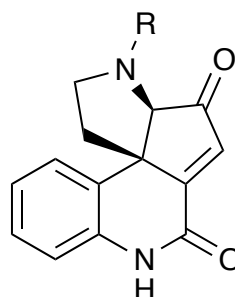


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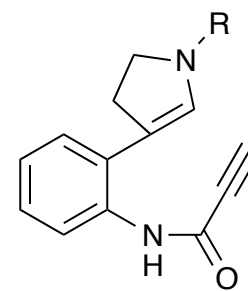


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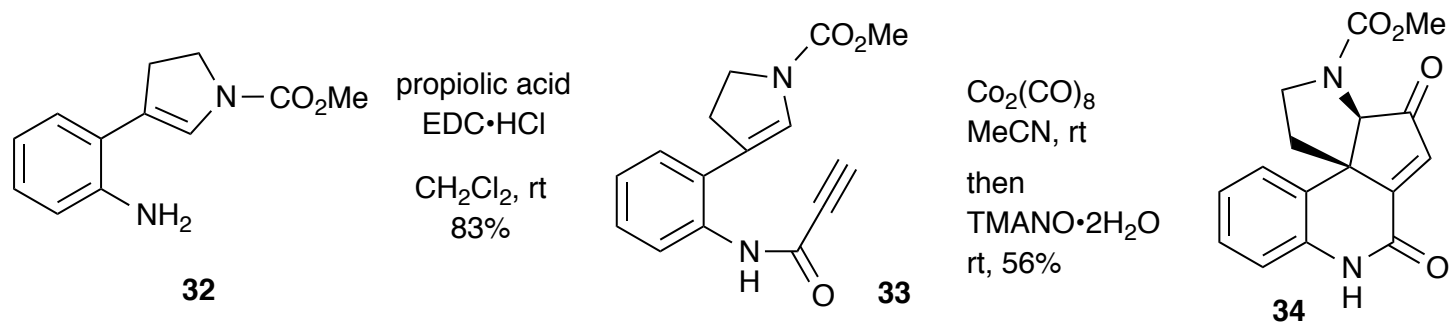
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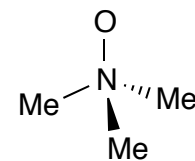
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Construction of A, B, C, and D Rings



5 steps from (2-nitrophenyl)-
acetonitrile

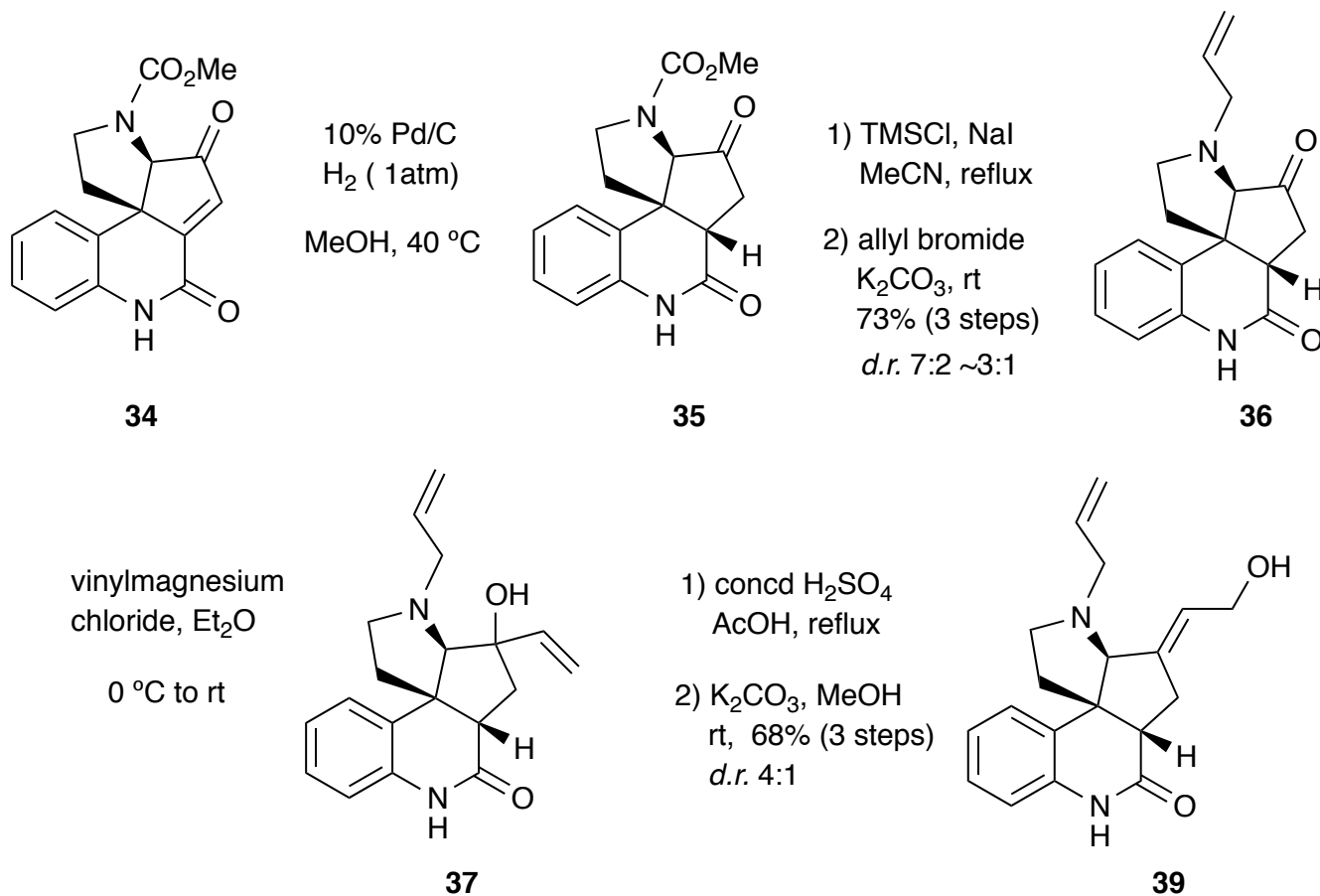


TMANO:
trimethylamine *N*-oxide

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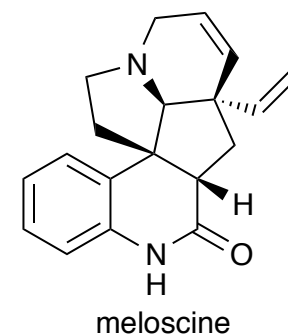
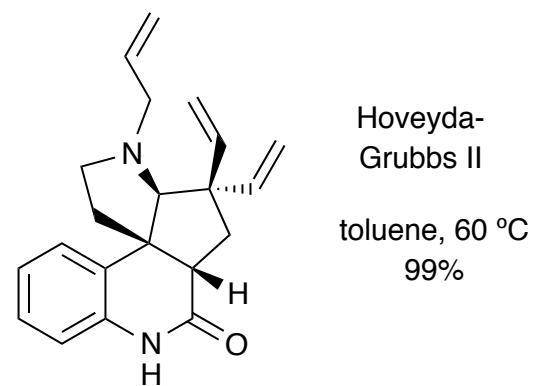
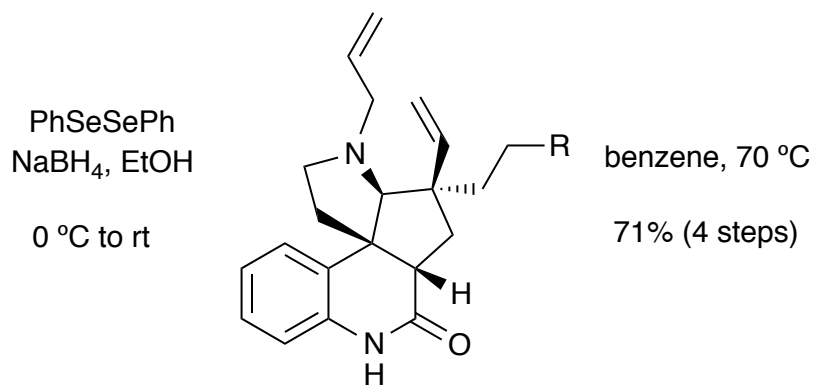
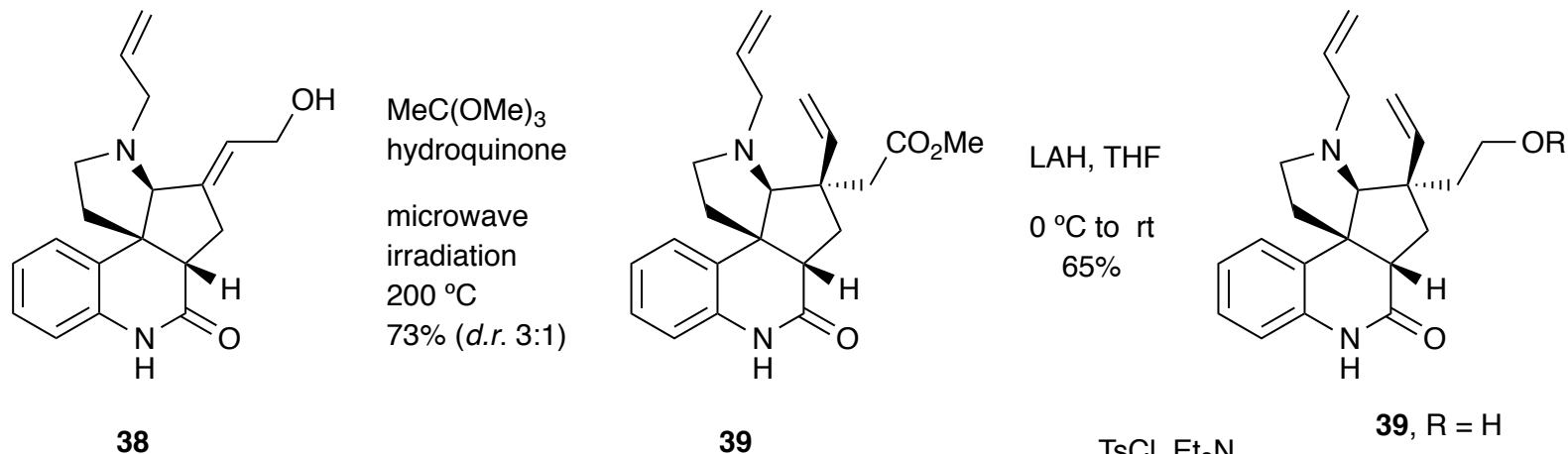
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Completion of Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Meloscine

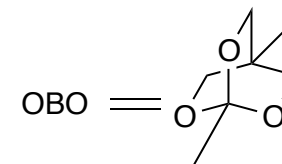
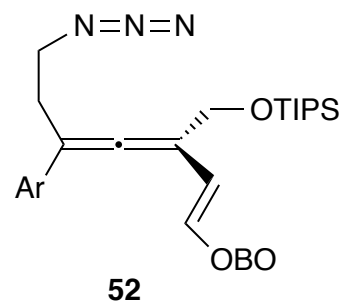
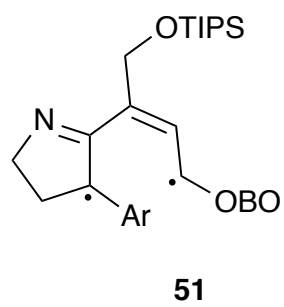
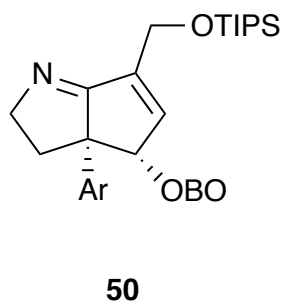
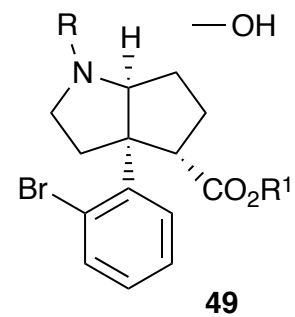
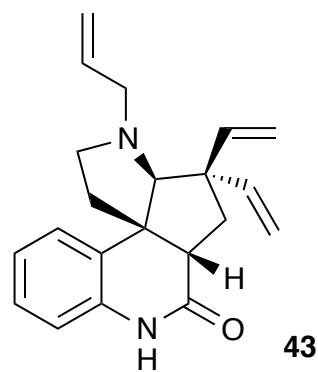
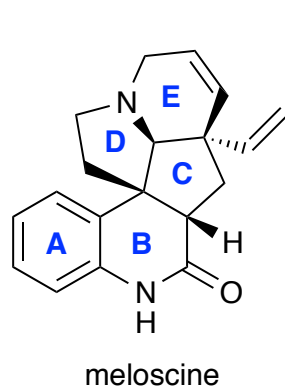
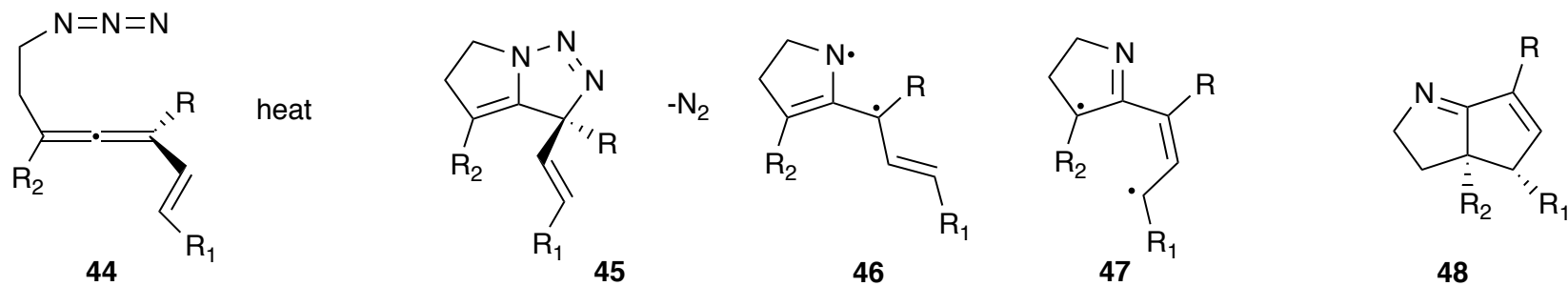


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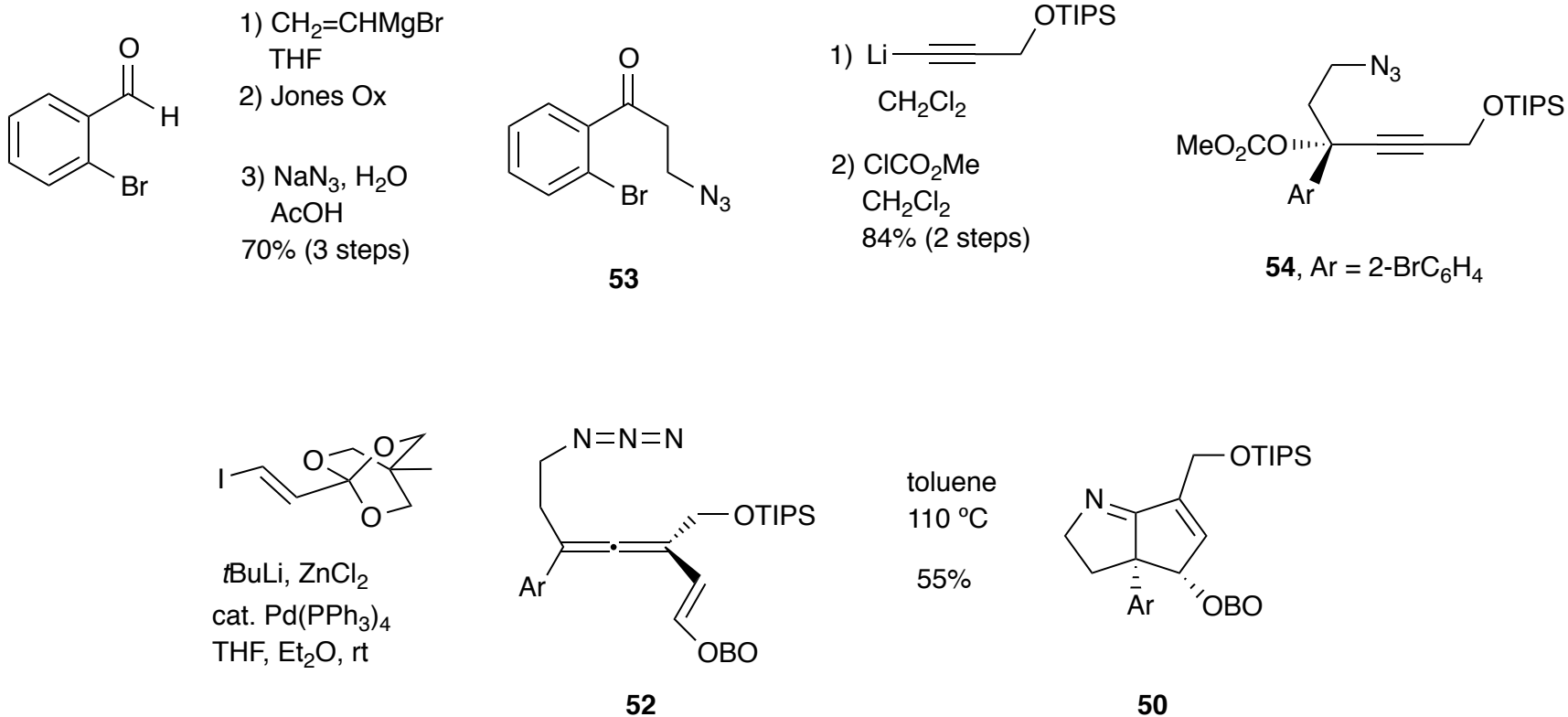
Retrosynthetic Analysis of (\pm)-Meloscine (Feldman)

Allenyl azide cyclization cascade



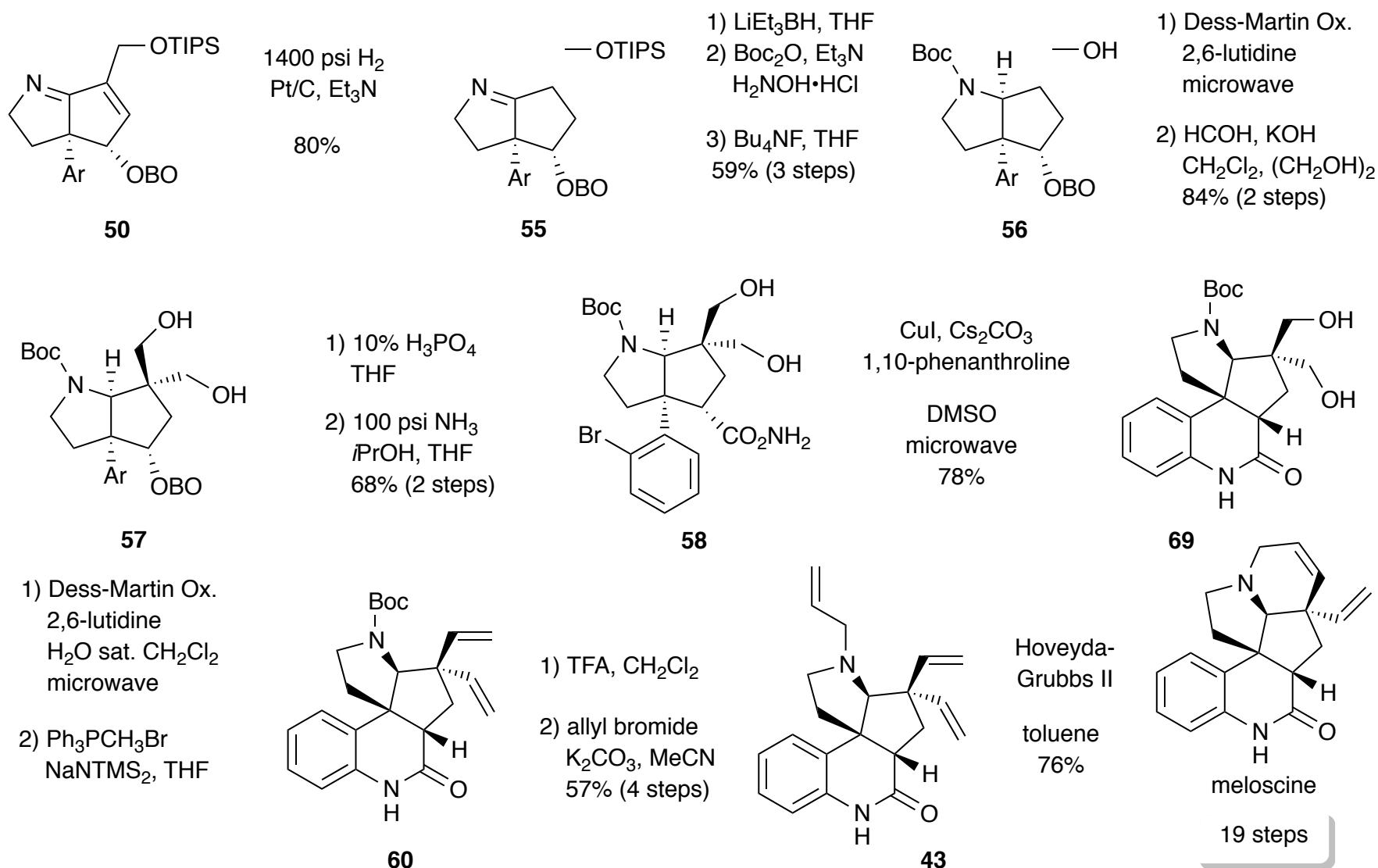
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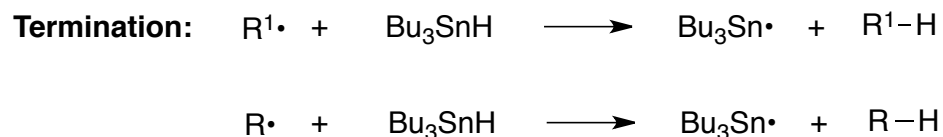
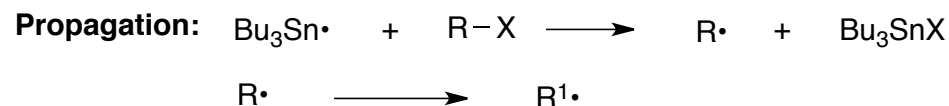
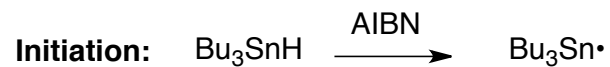
Radical Reactions

Synthetic advantages of radical reactions

- Carbon-centered radicals are extremely reactive.
- Radical additions to C=C bonds are usually exothermic and irreversible, with early, reactant-like transition state.
- Radical intermediates are ideally suited for the synthesis of crowded bonds.
- Carbon-centered radicals are inert toward OH or NH groups.
- Radical centers do not usually retain stereochemistry.

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Radical Reactions: Tin Hydride Method



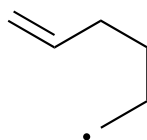
- Common reagent for free-radical reaction.
- Mild and selective reagent, so that carbonyl groups and alcohols do not need to be protected.
- A limitation of the method is that tin hydride is by nature a reducing agent.

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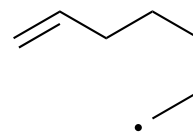
5-Membered Ring Formation

- Cyclizations are usually faster for the formation of 5-membered rings than for any other ring size.

The 5-hexenyl radical cyclizes 20 times faster than does the 6-heptenyl radical.

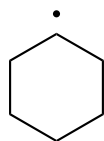


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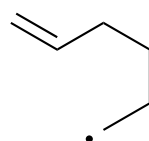


6-heptenyl radical

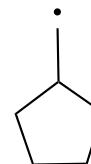
- The regioselectivity for 5-*exo* cyclizations is often outstanding.
For the 5-hexenyl radical, 5-*exo* cyclization is 50 times faster than 6-*endo* cyclization



6-endo



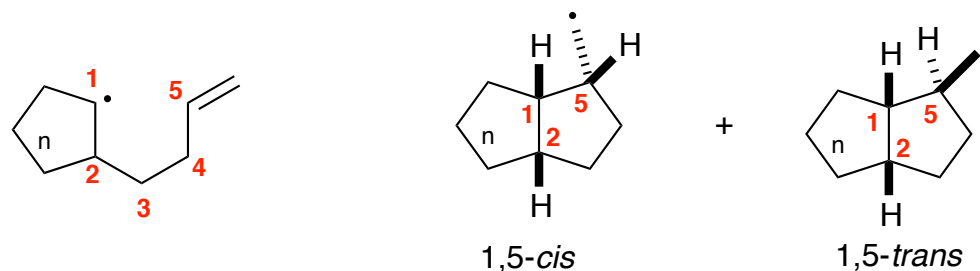
5-*exo*



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5-Membered Ring Formation

- Radical cyclizations giving 5-membered rings can be highly stereoselective.



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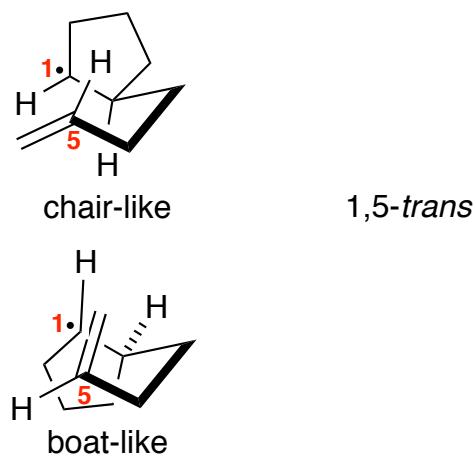
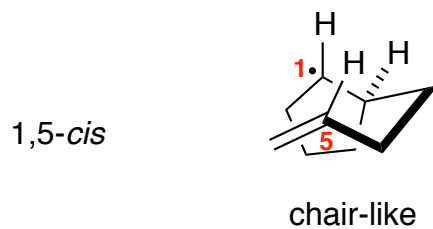
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$n = 2$, cyclohexyl

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Beckwith's Transition-State Model



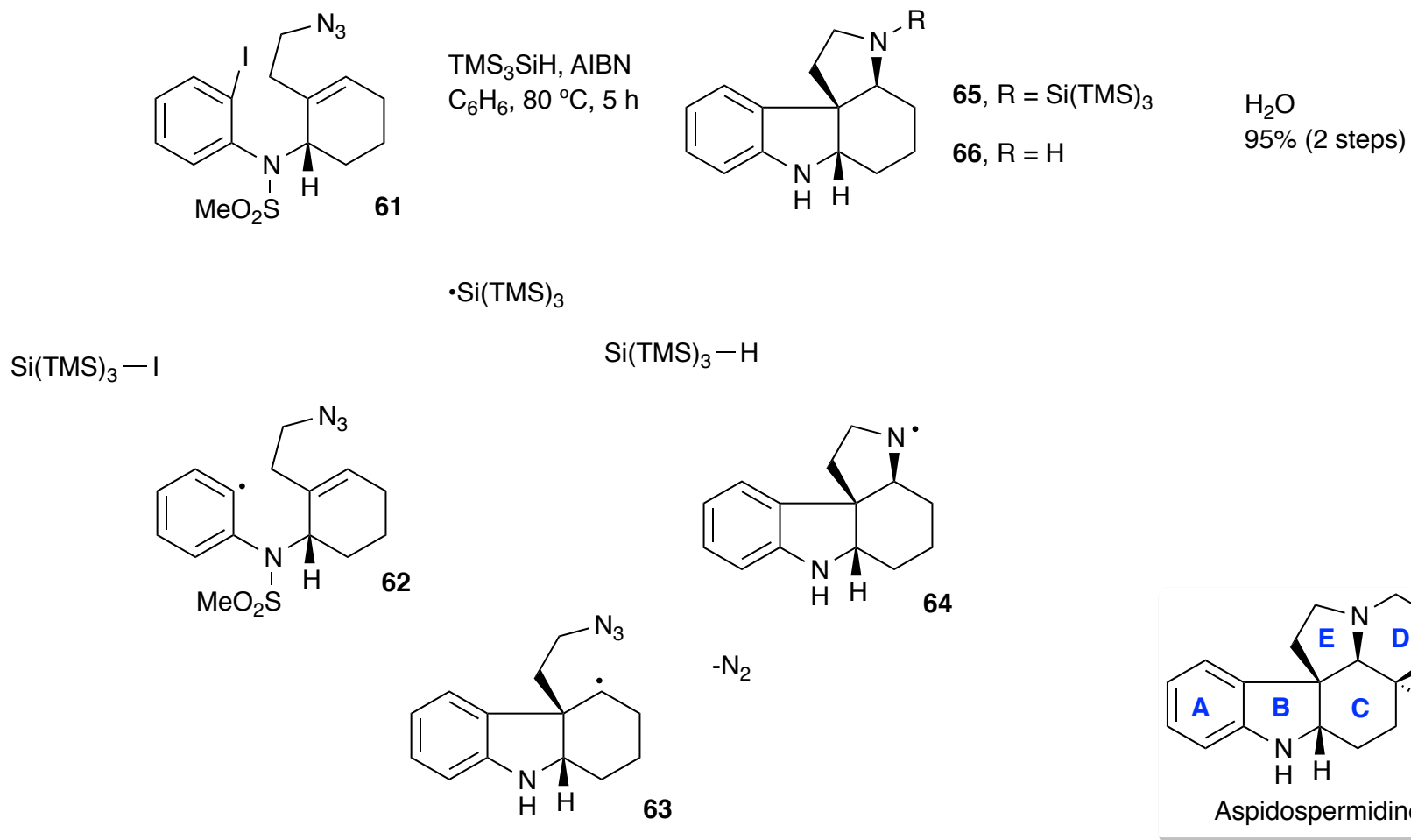
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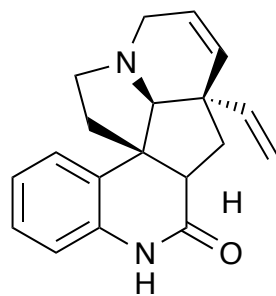
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Radical Reactions: Efficient Synthesis of the ABCE Ring System of Aspidospermidine



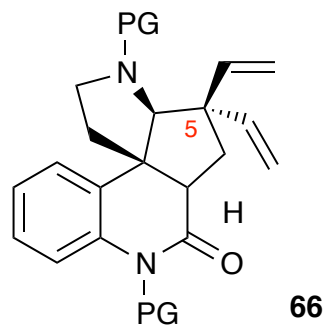
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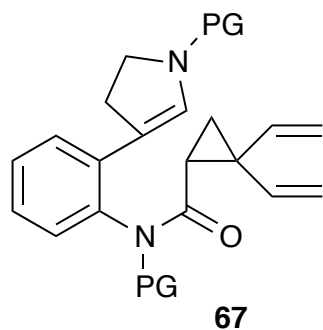
meloscine

RCM

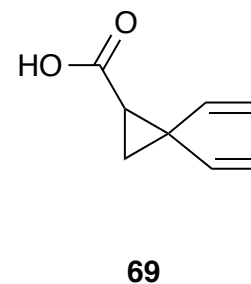
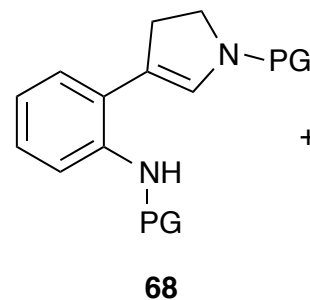


radical
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PG = protecting group

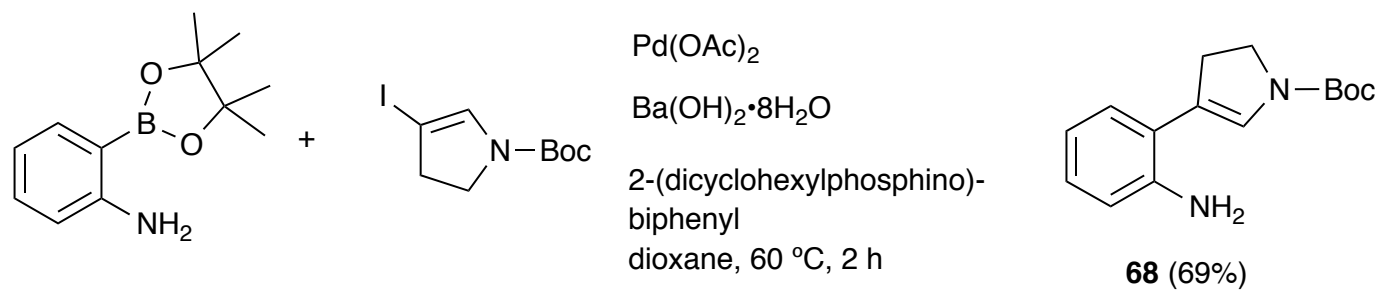
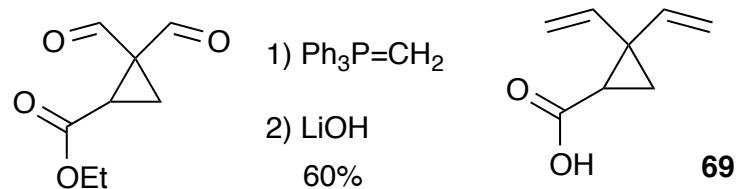
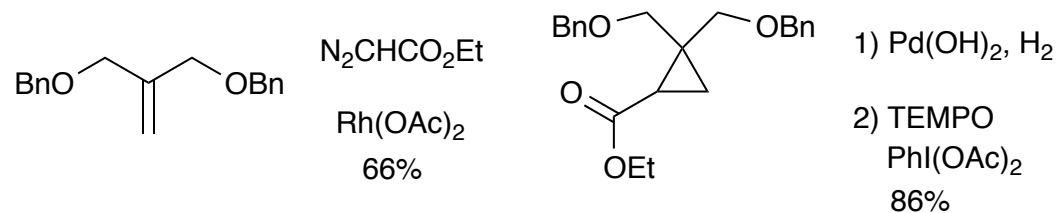


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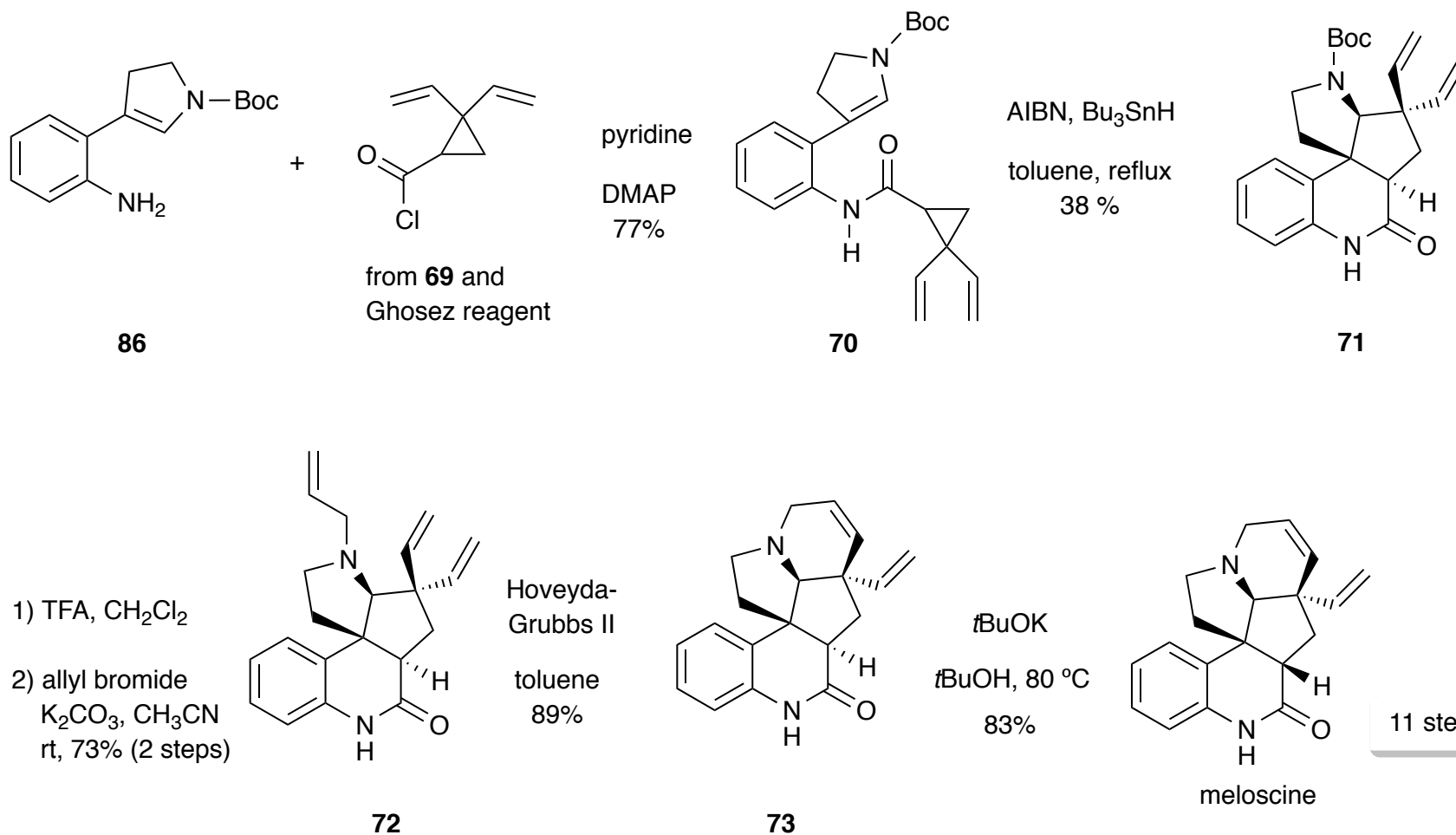


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Preparations of Starting Materials



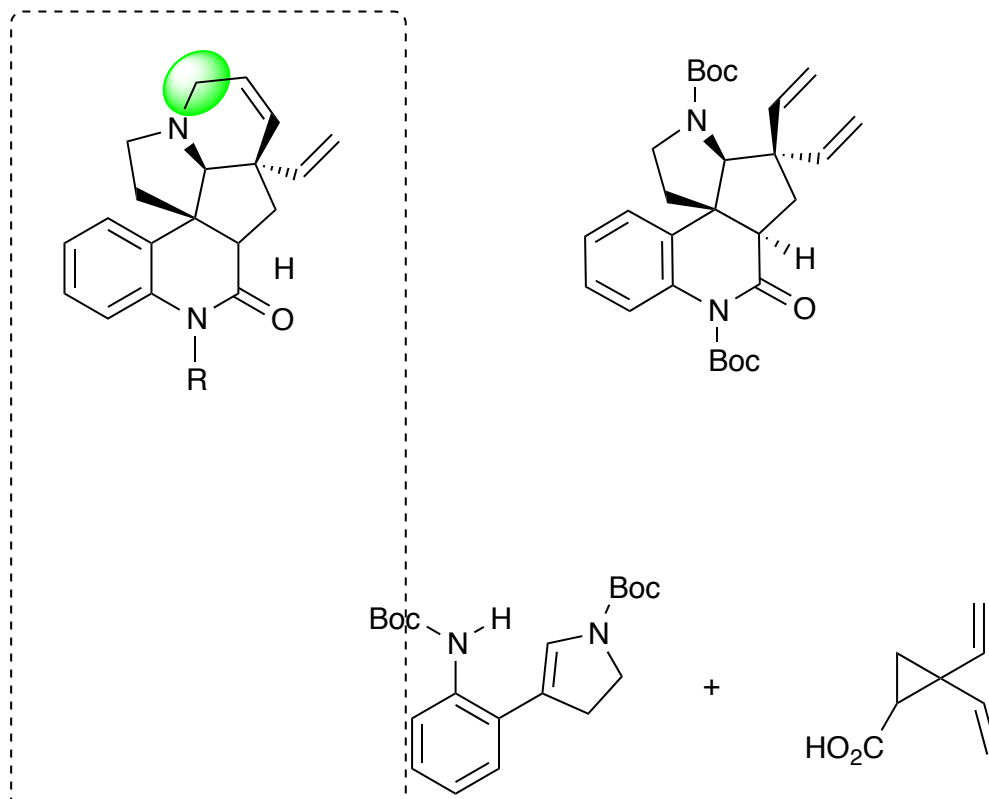
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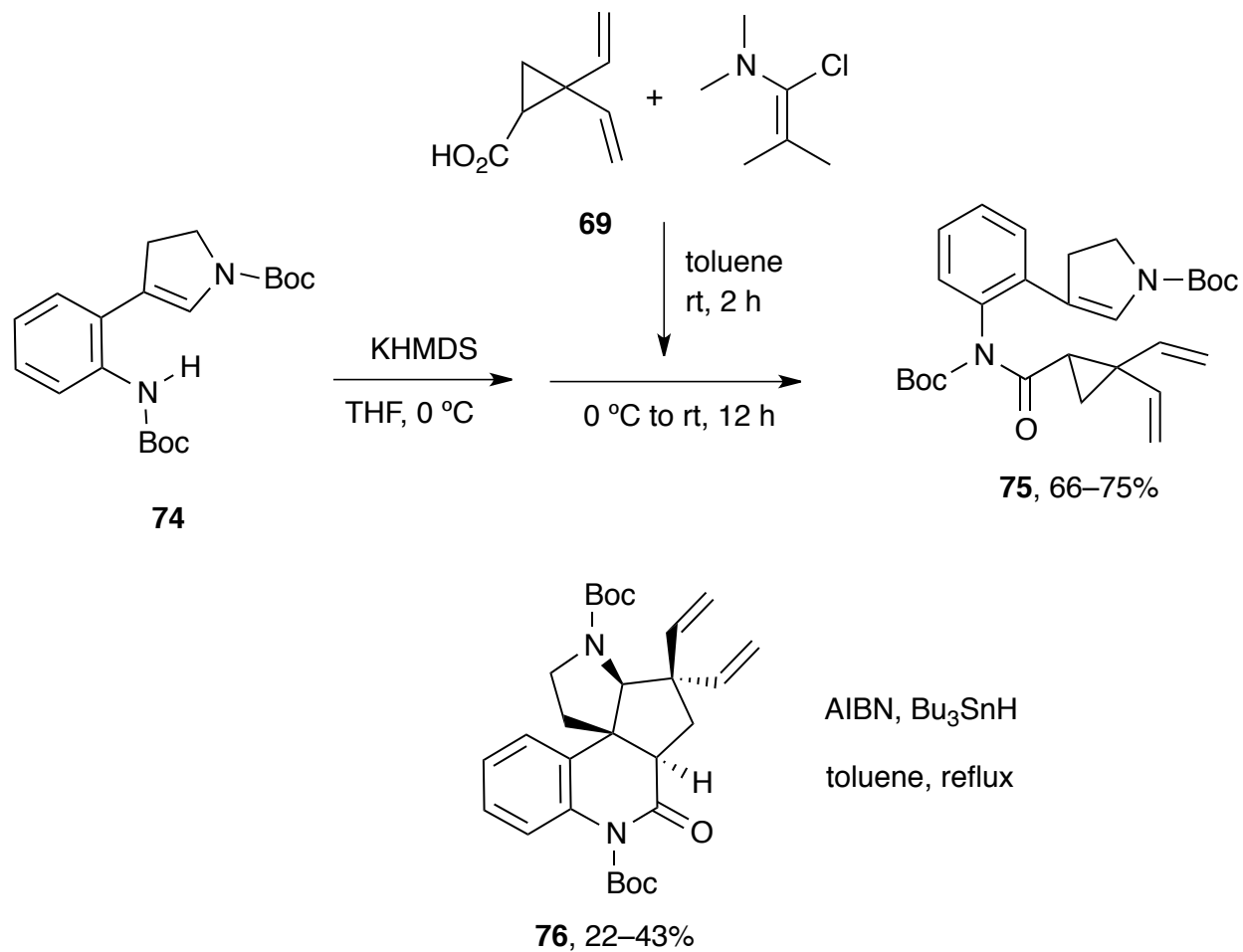
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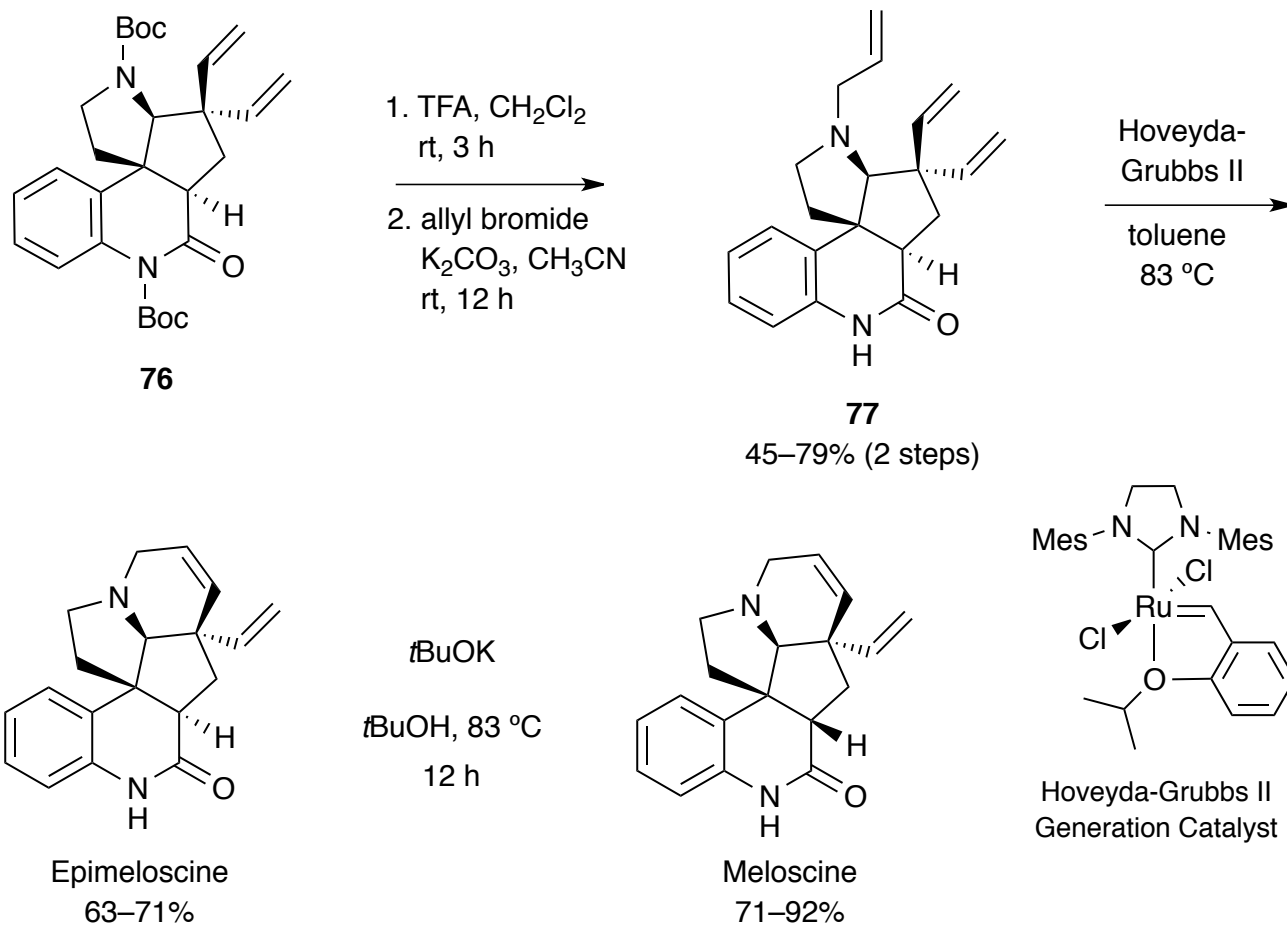
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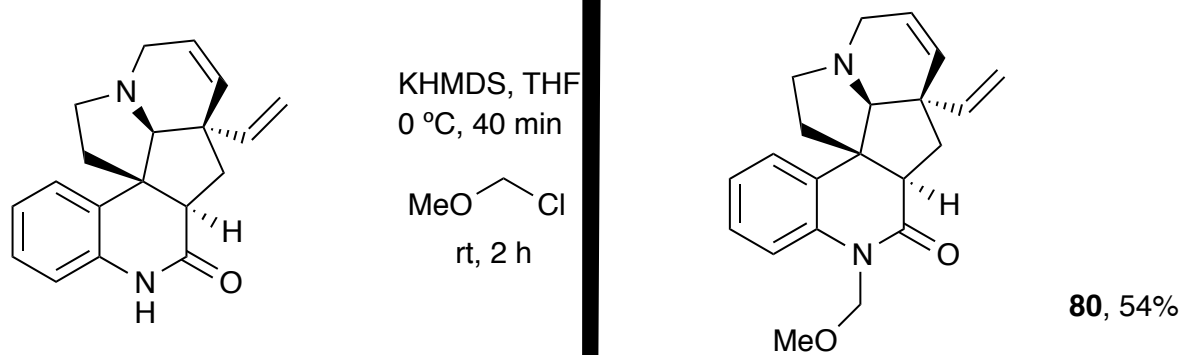
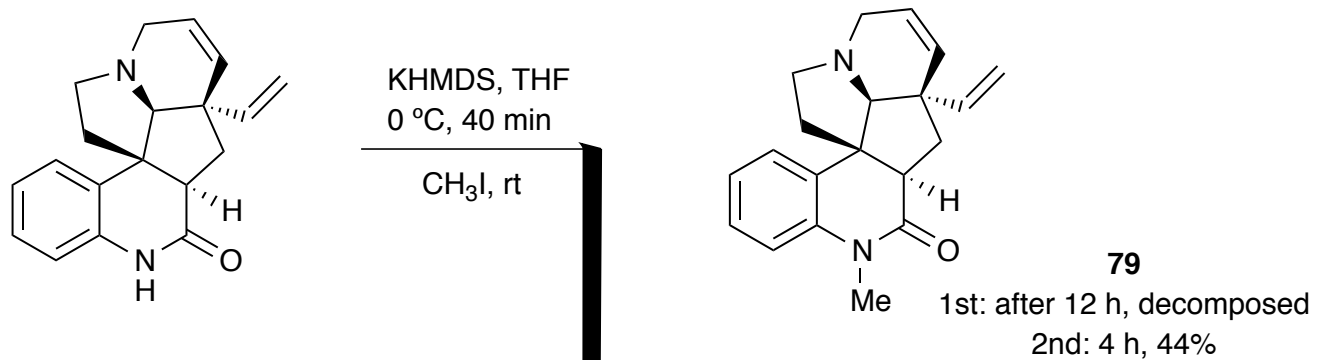
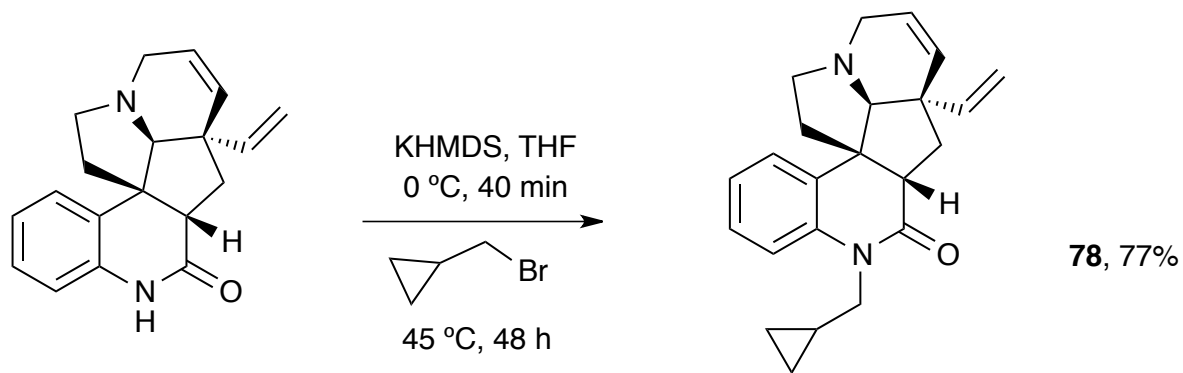
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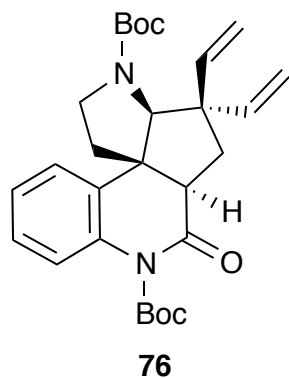
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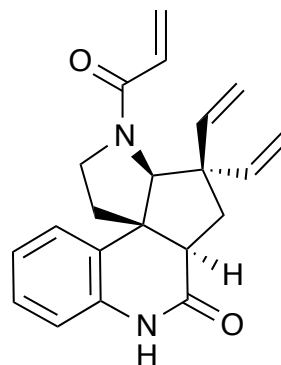
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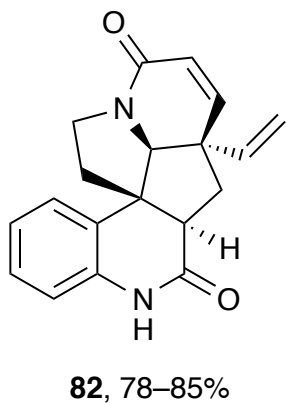
Preparation of Amide Derivatives



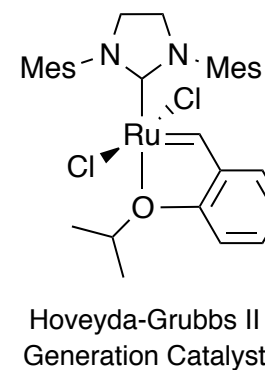
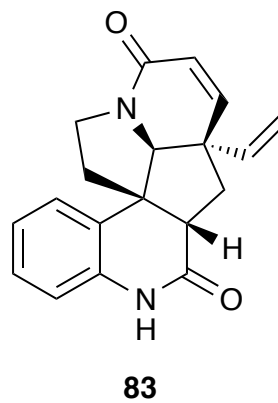
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rt, 3 h
2. acryloyl chloride
*i*Pr₂NEt, CH₂Cl₂
rt, 12 h



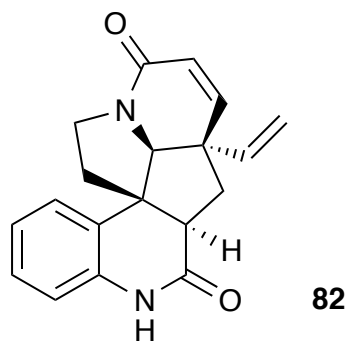
Hoveyda-
Grubbs II
toluene
83 °C



*t*BuOK
*t*BuOH, 83 °C

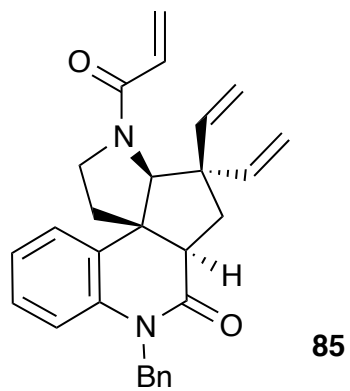
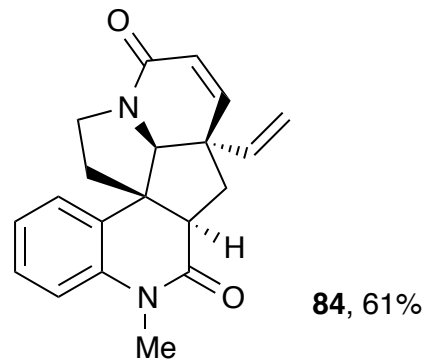


Amide and Sulfonamide Derivatives



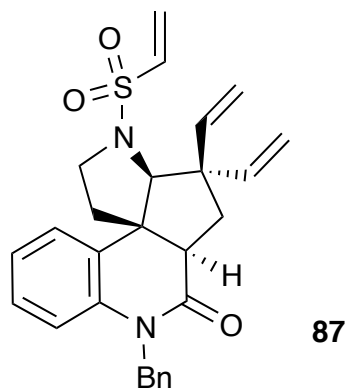
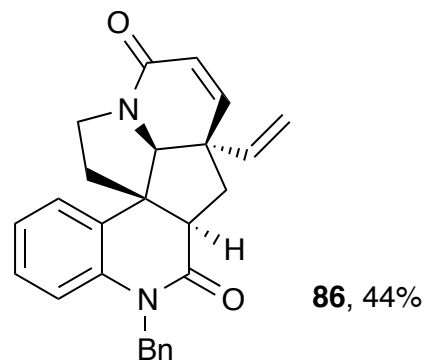
KHMDS, THF
0 °C, 40 min

CH₃I, rt



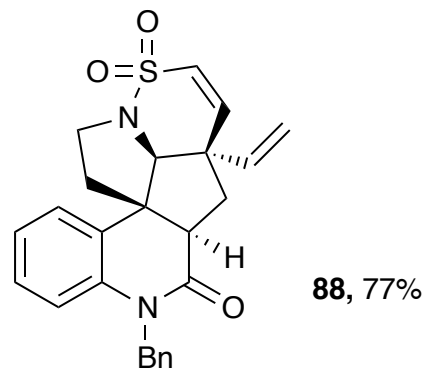
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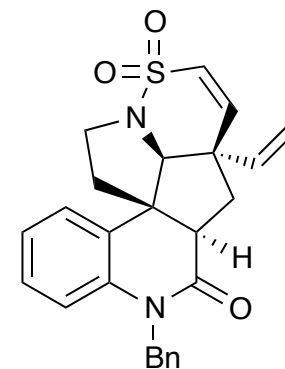
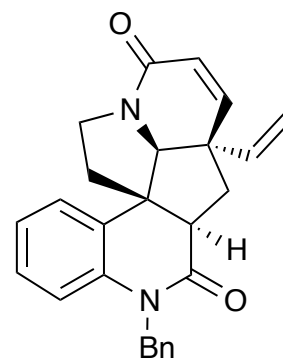
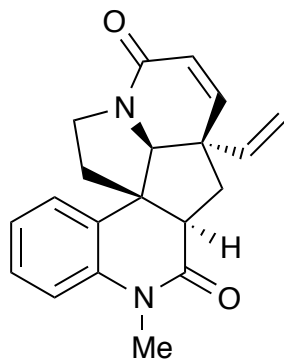
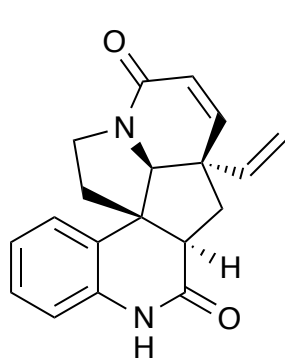
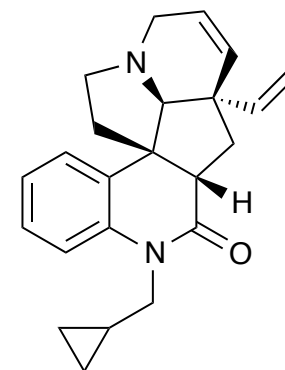
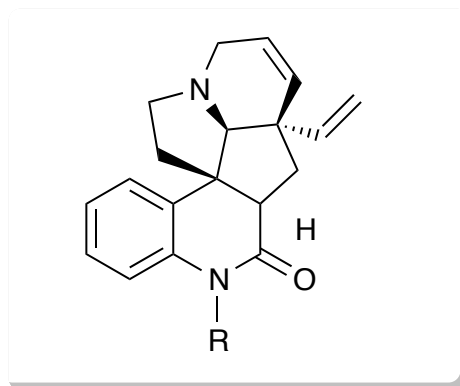
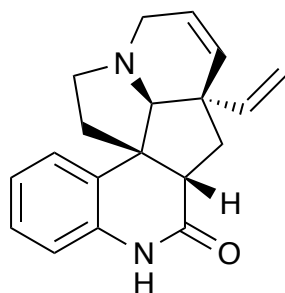
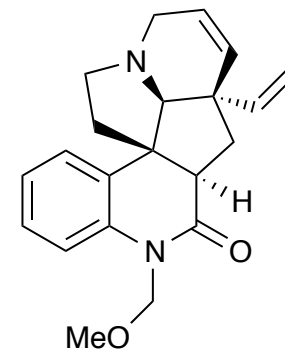
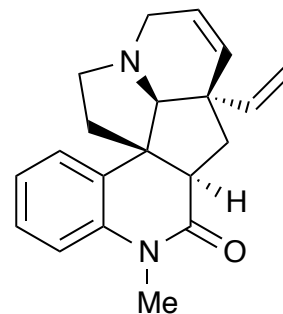
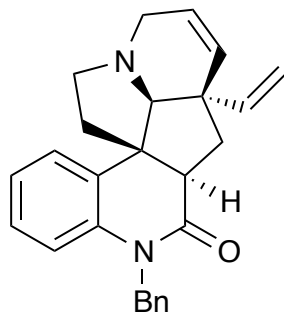
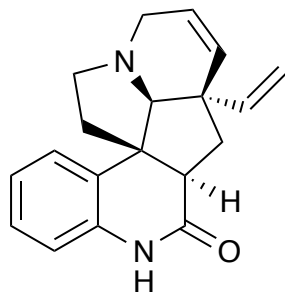


Hoveyda-
Grubbs II

toluene
95 °C



Conclusion



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