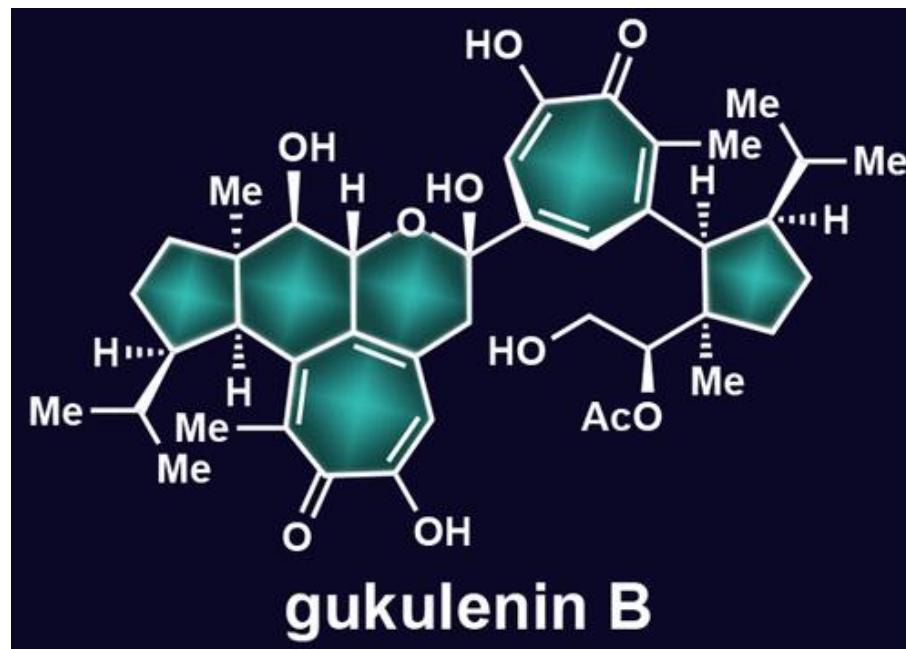


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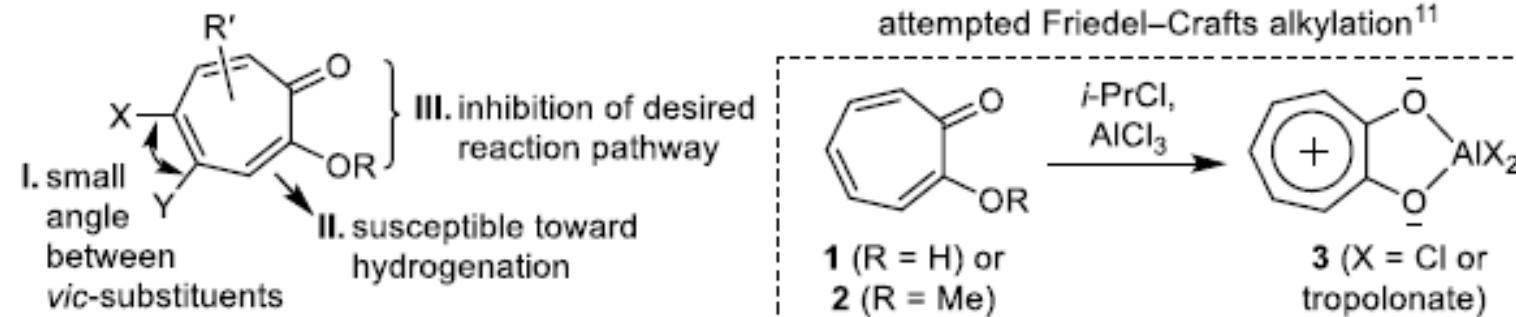
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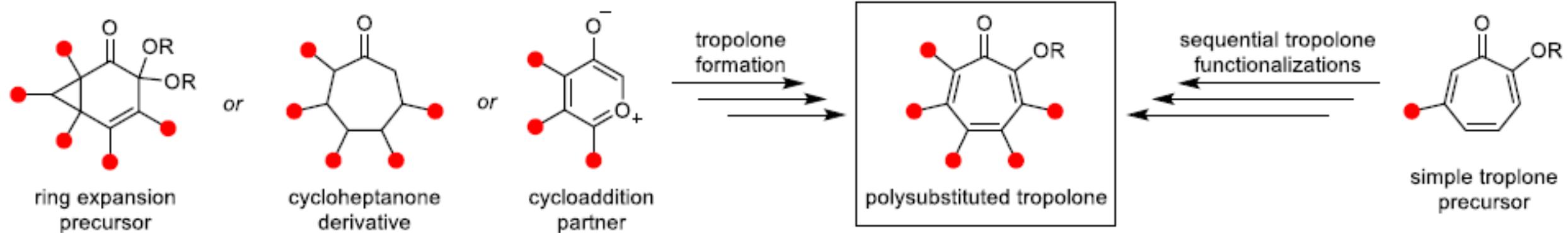
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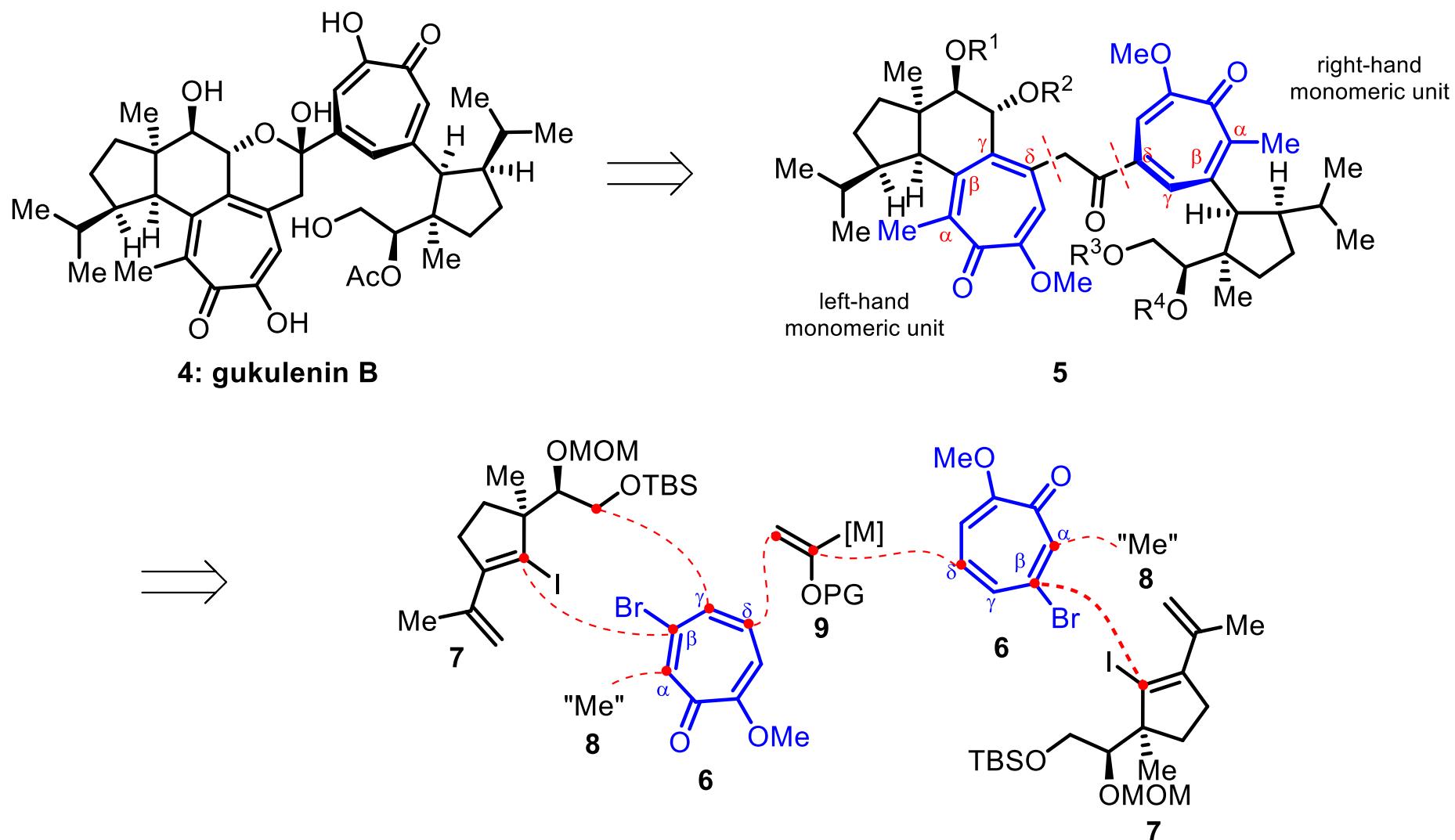
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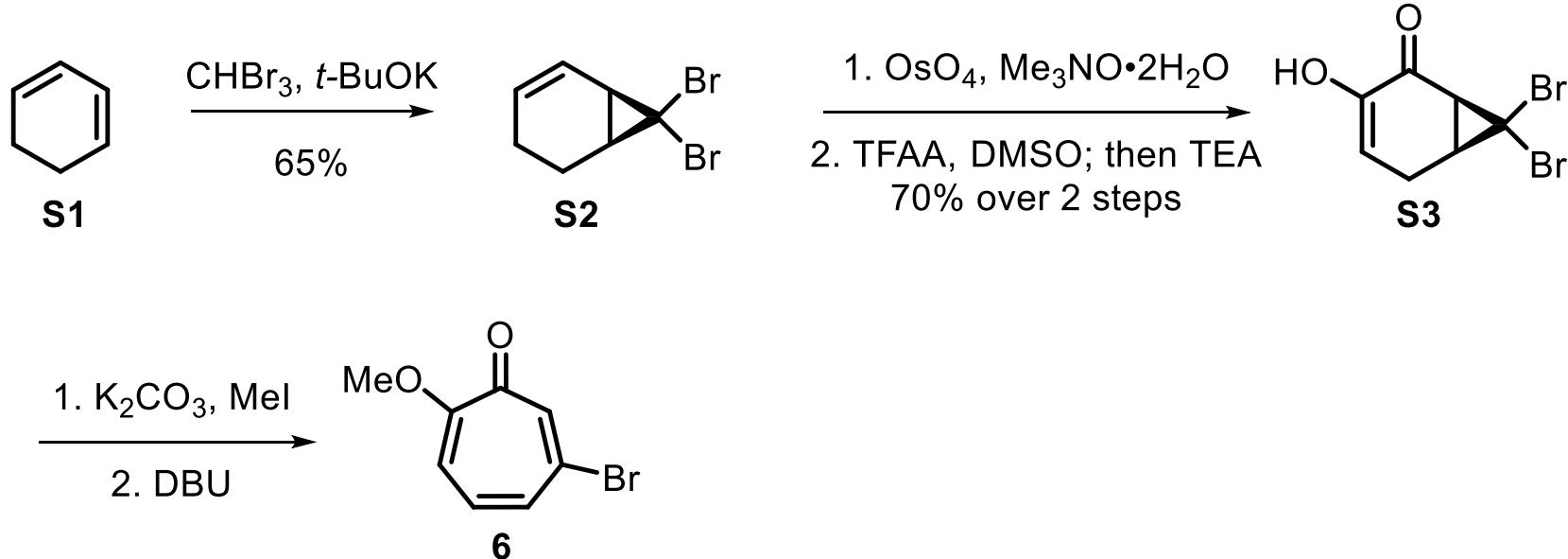
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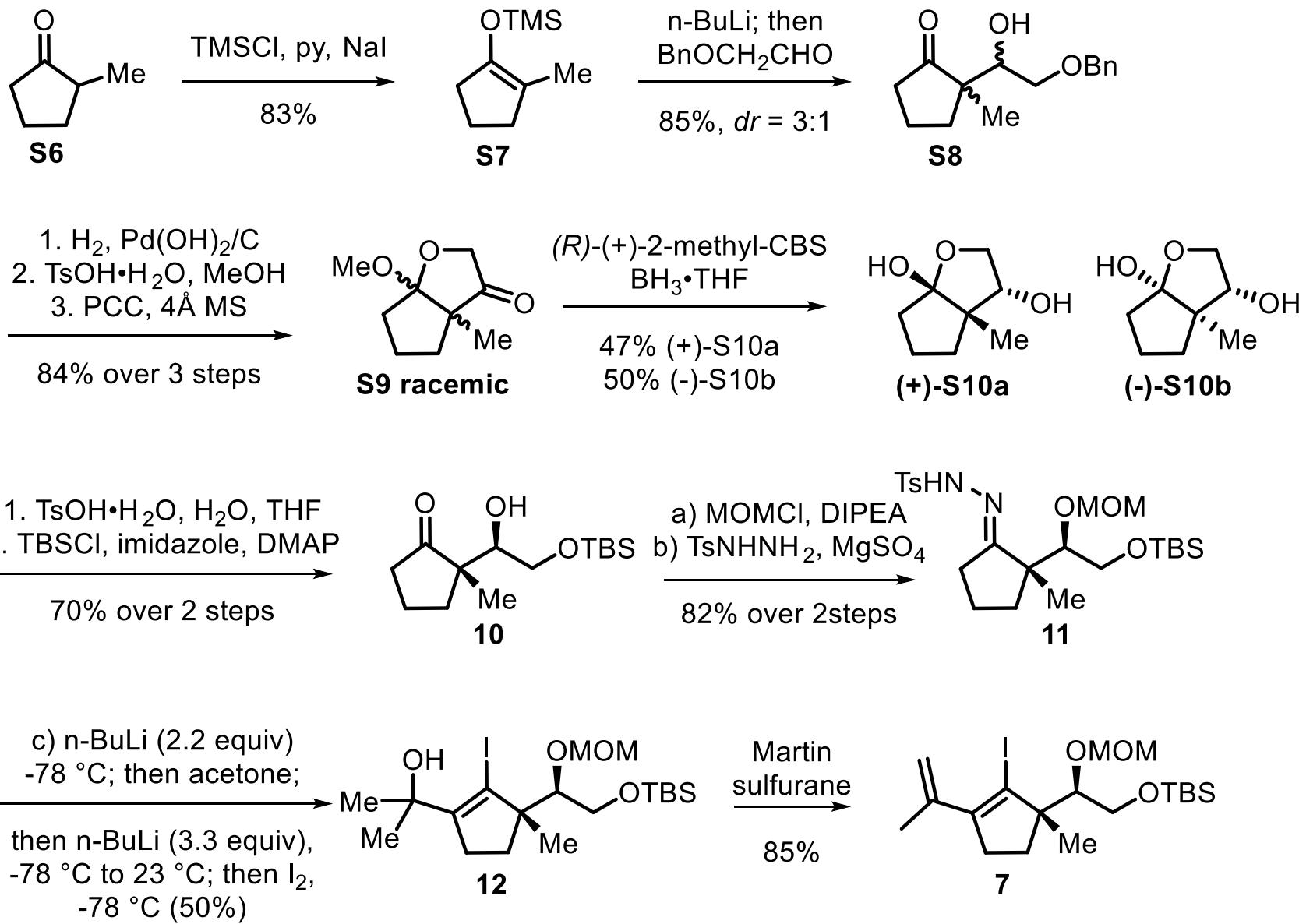
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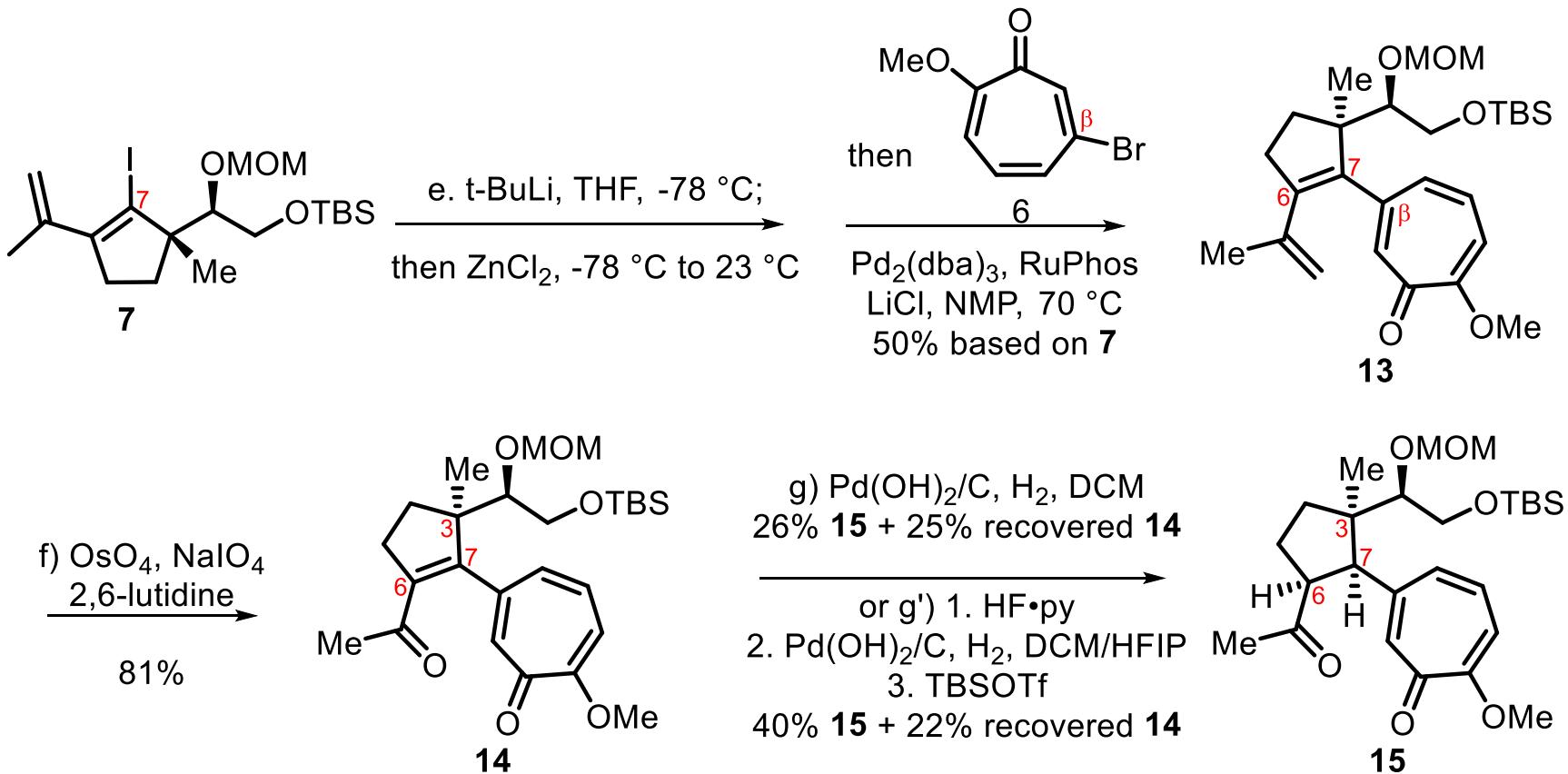
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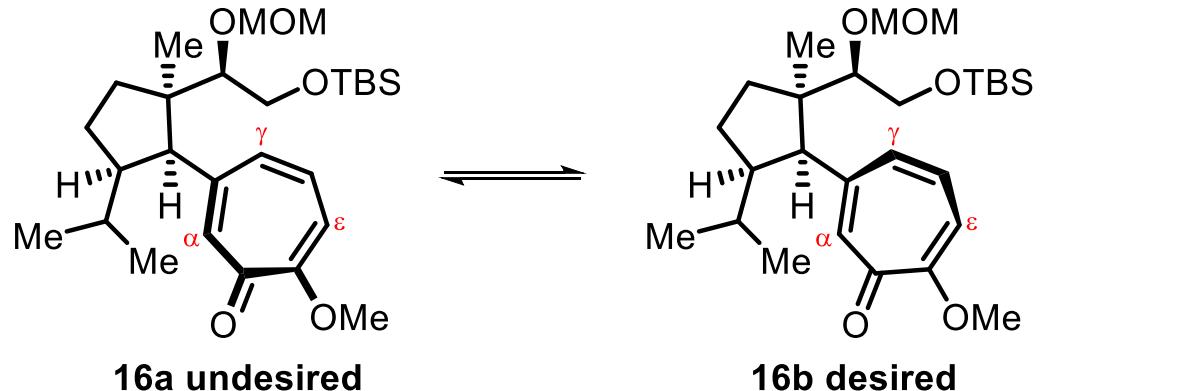


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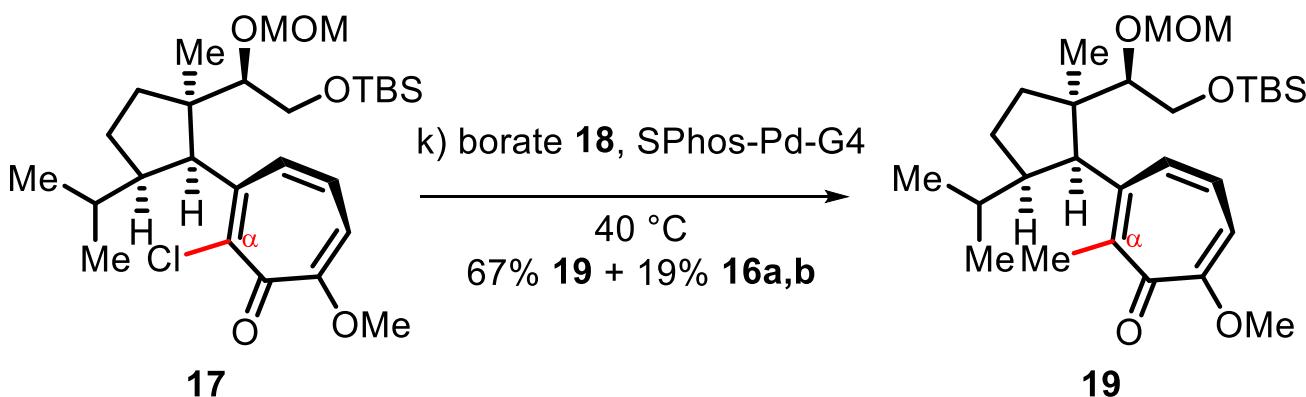


h) Nysted reagent, $\text{Ti}(\text{O}i\text{-Pr})_2\text{Cl}_2$
63%

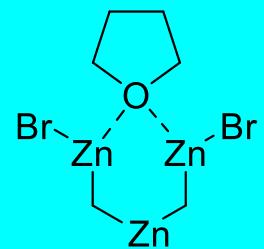
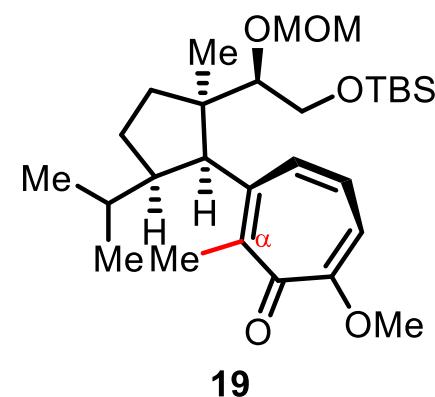
i) H_2 , $[\text{Ir}(\text{PCy}_3)(\text{py})(\text{cod})]\text{BArF}$
92%, $16\text{a} : 16\text{b} = 1.2 : 1$



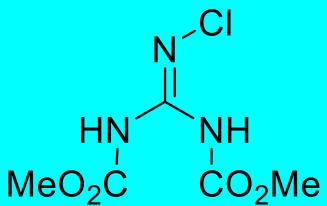
j) Palau'chlor
2,4,6-trimethylaniline (cat.)
 45°C , 60%



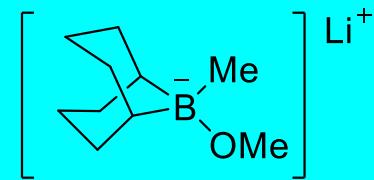
k) borate **18**, SPhos-Pd-G4
 40°C
67% **19** + 19% **16a,b**



Nysted reagent

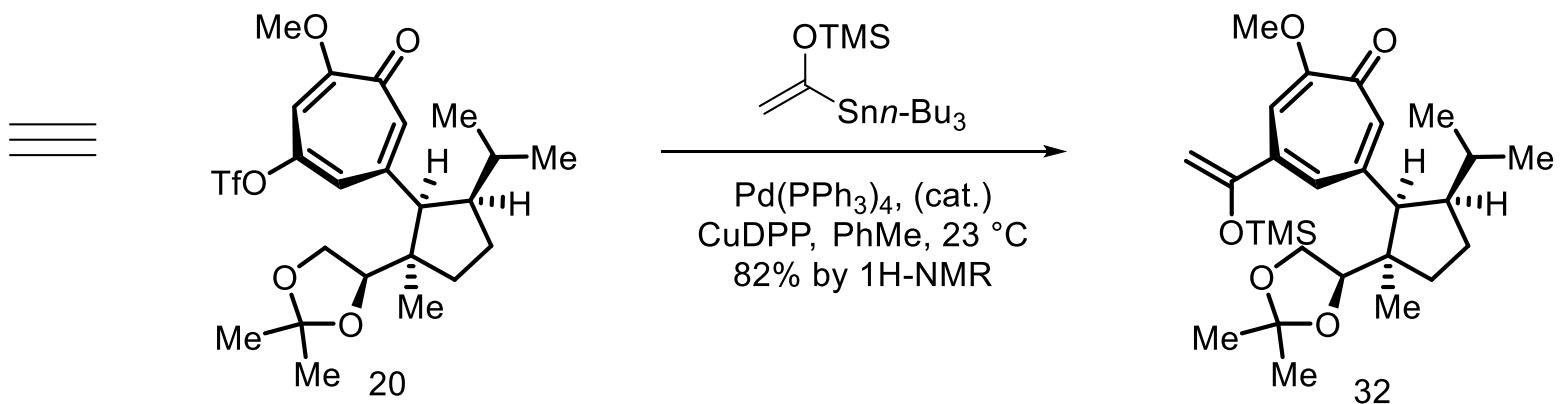
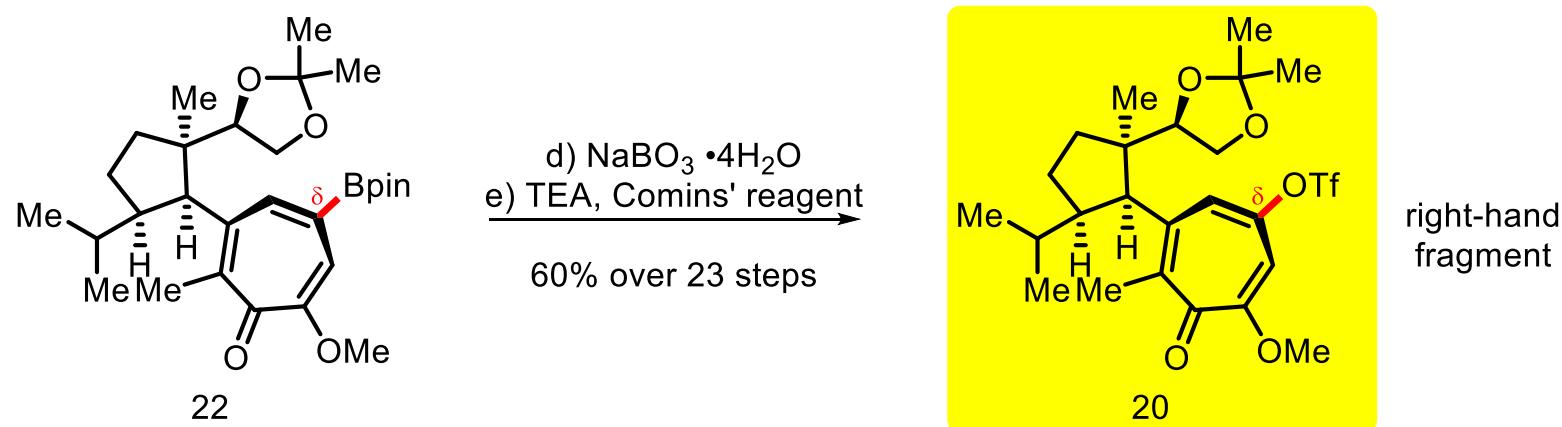
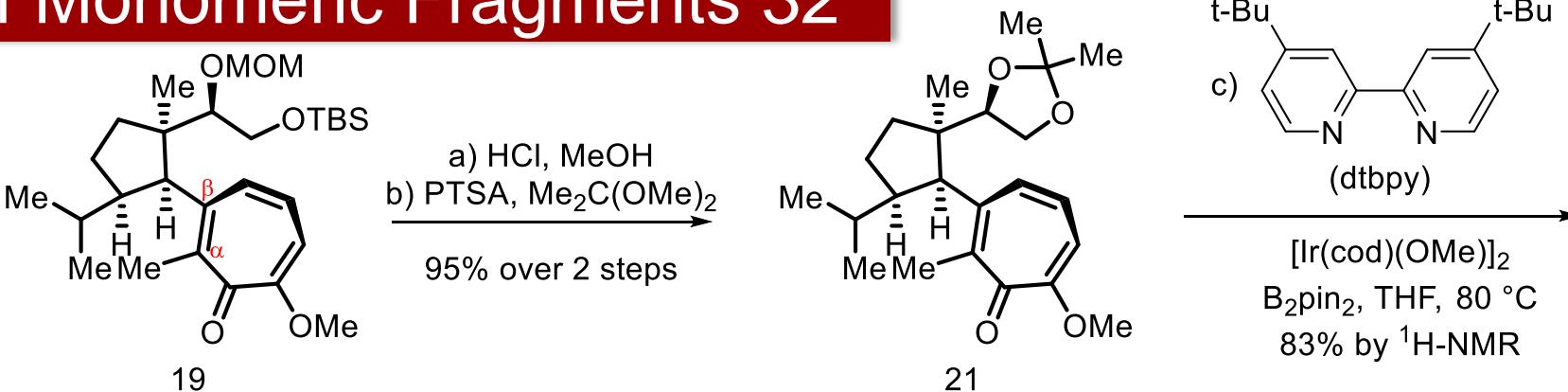


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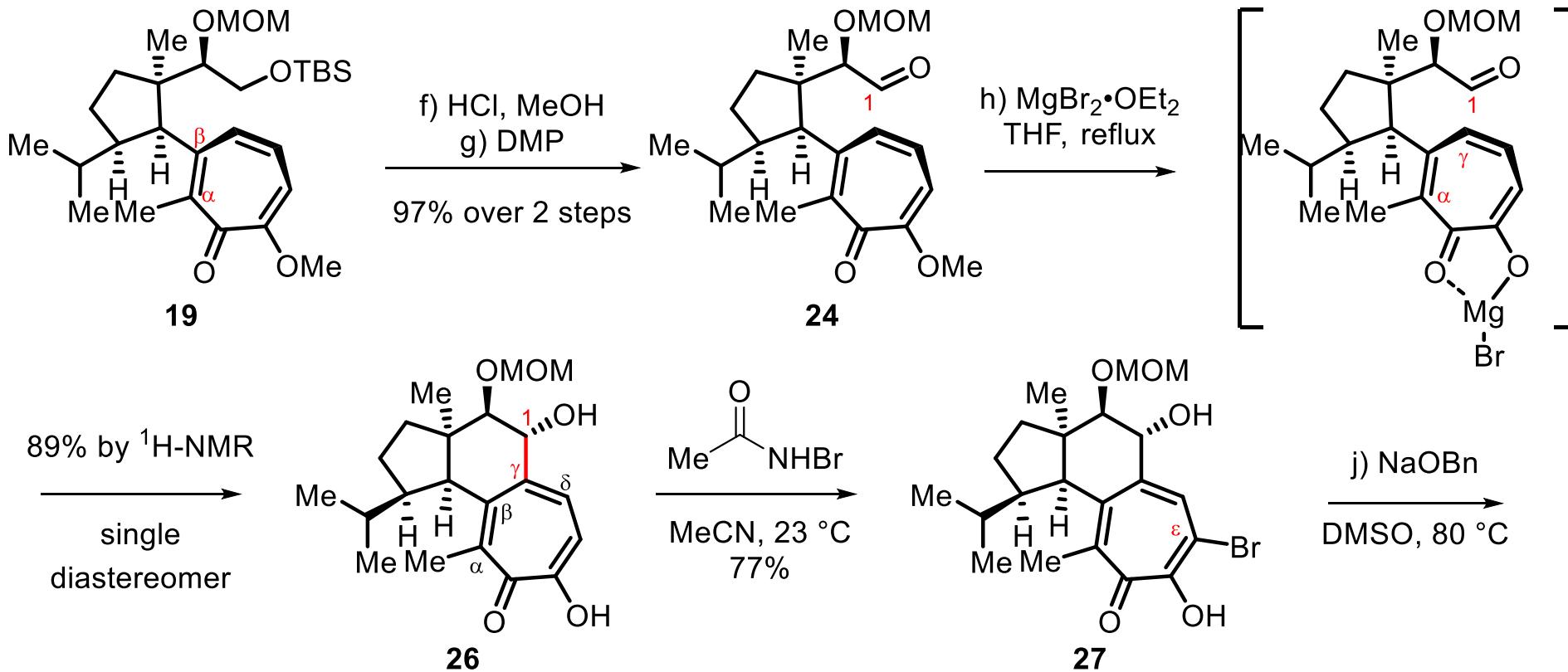


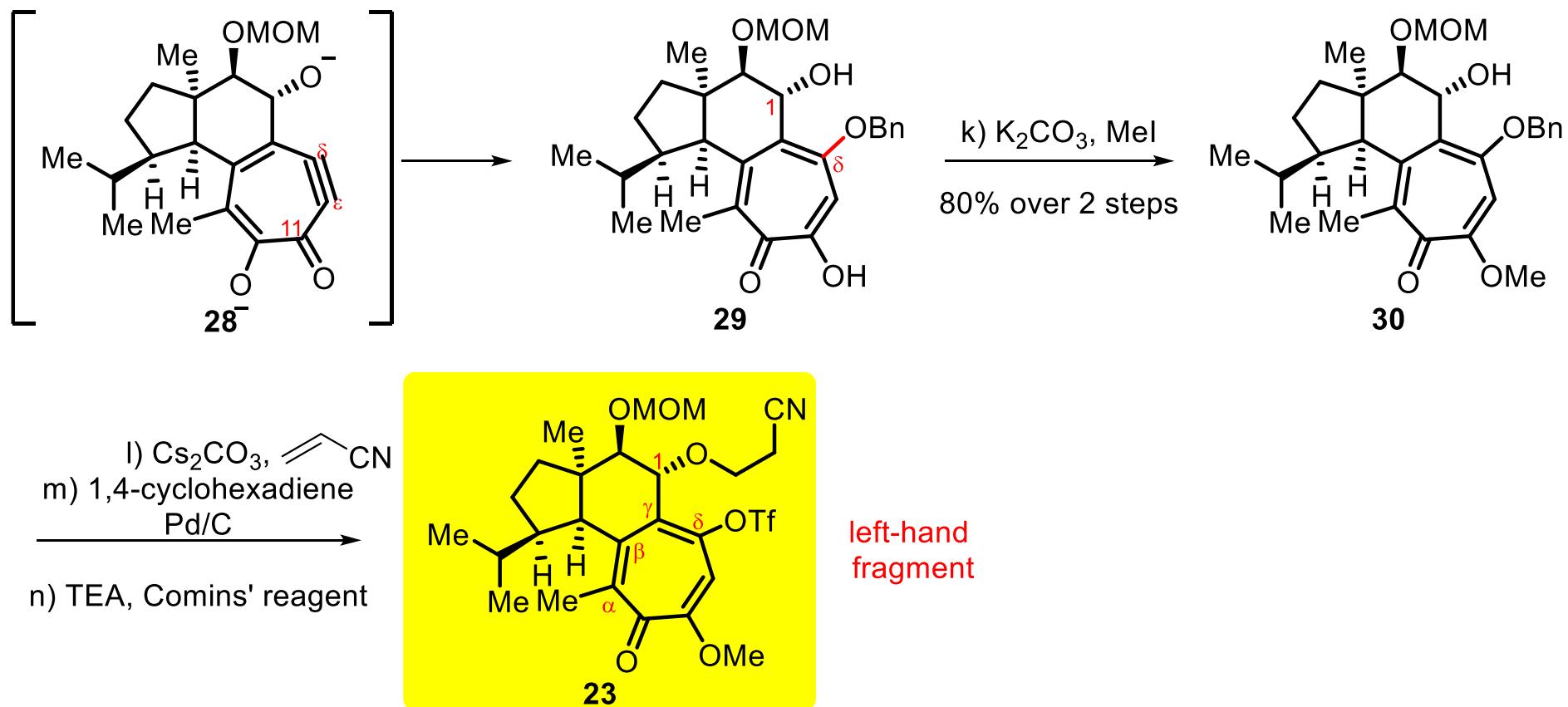
borate **18**

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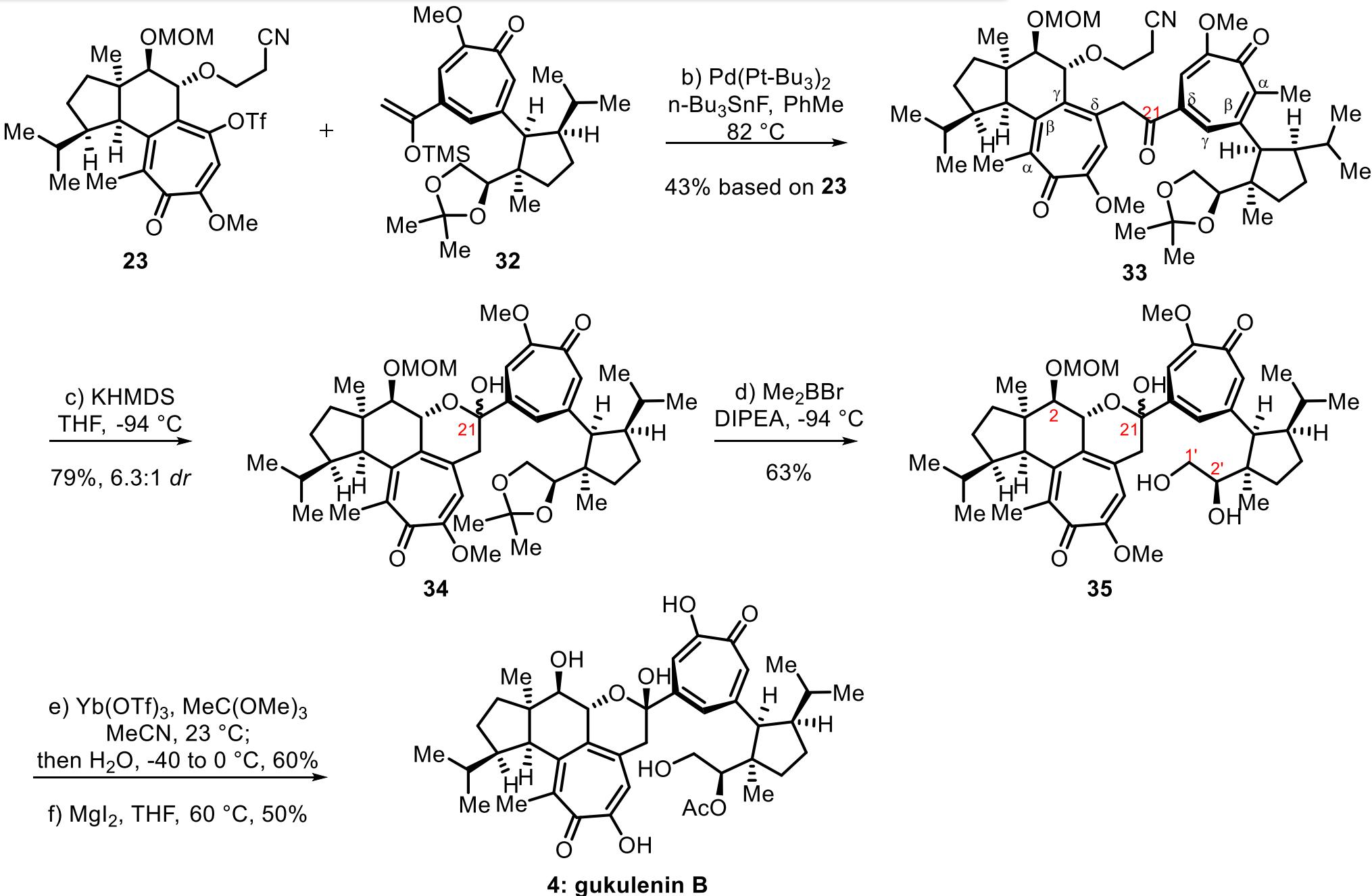


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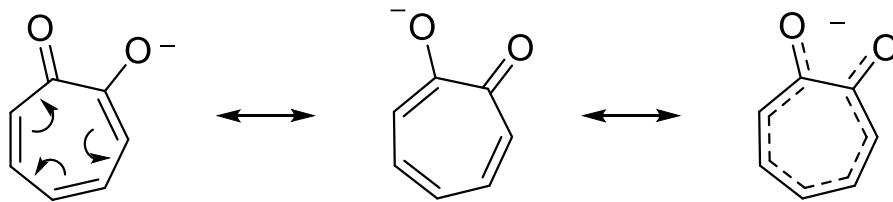




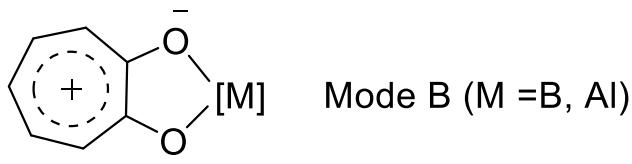
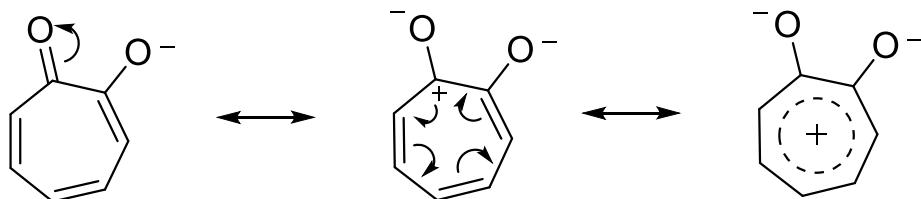
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Two modes of delocalization of the tropolonato ligands

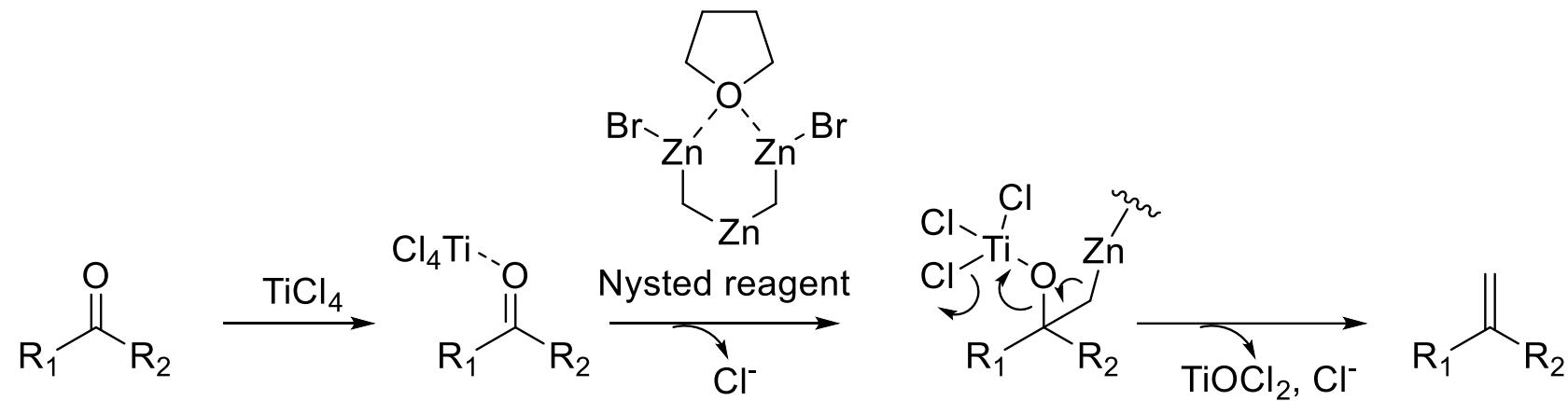


Mode A ($\text{M} = \text{Mg, Fe, etc.}$)

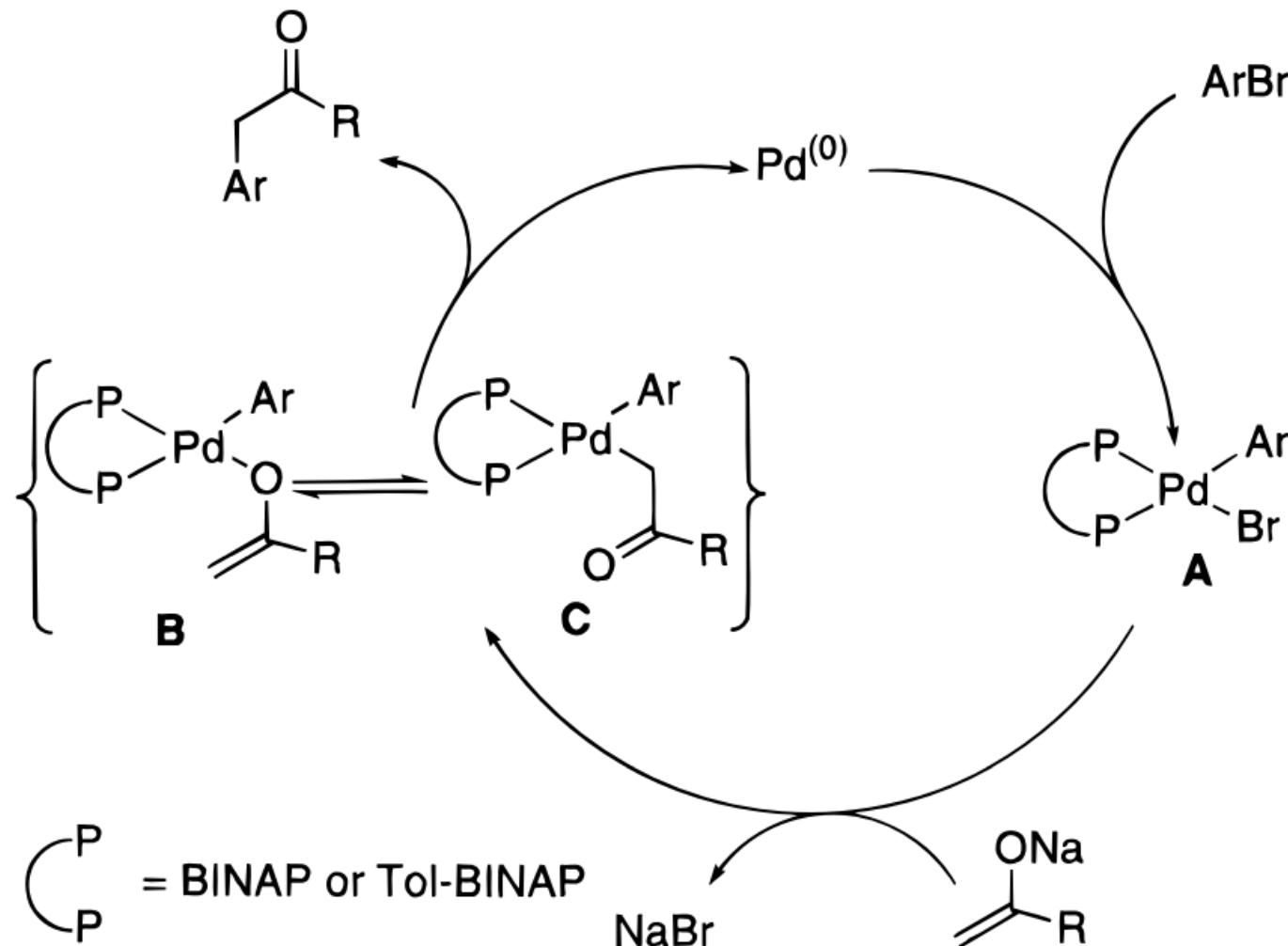


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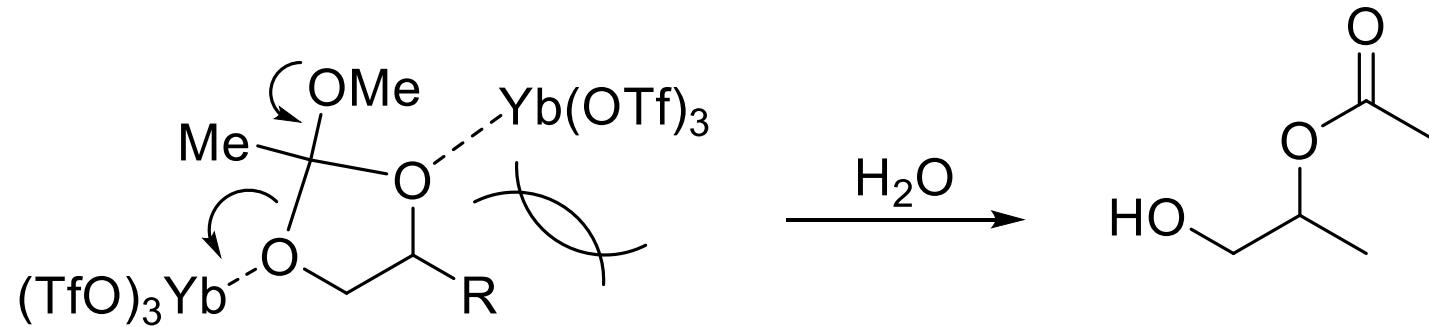
Nysted reagent



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Siteselective monoacetylation



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