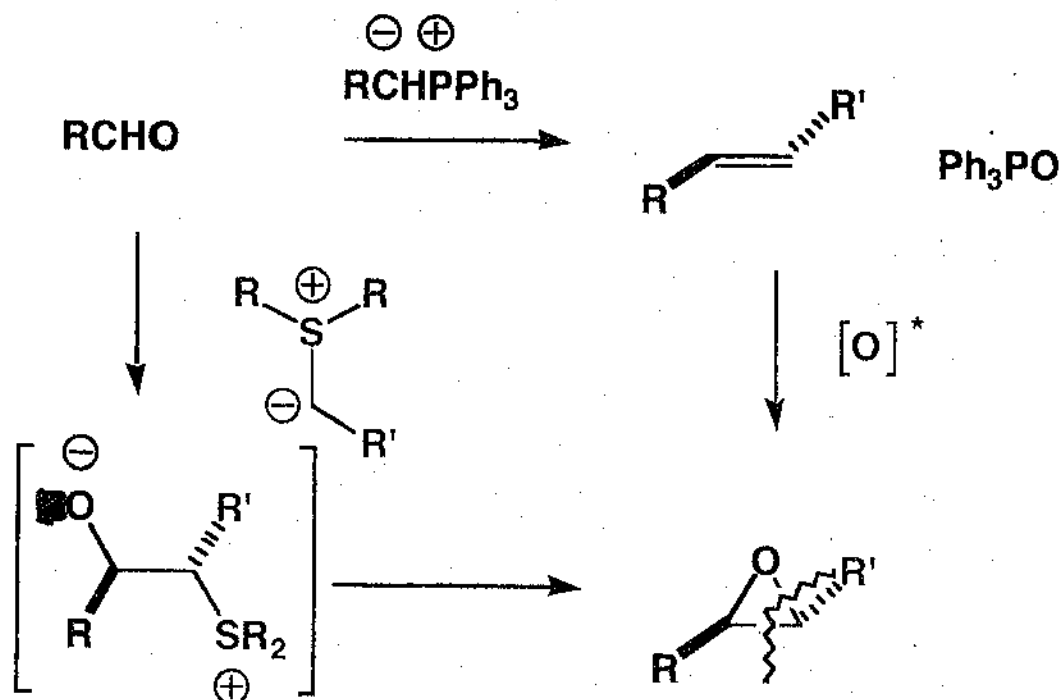
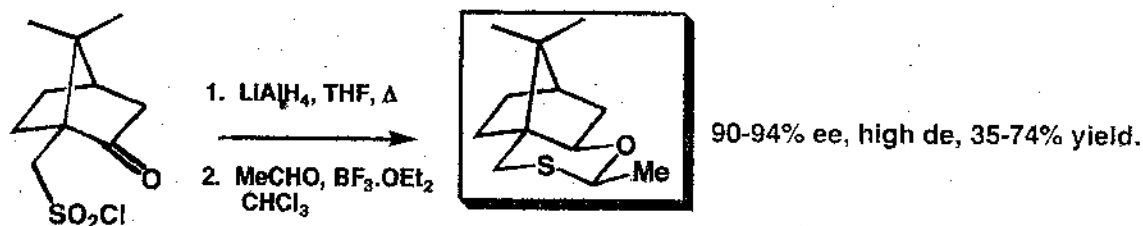
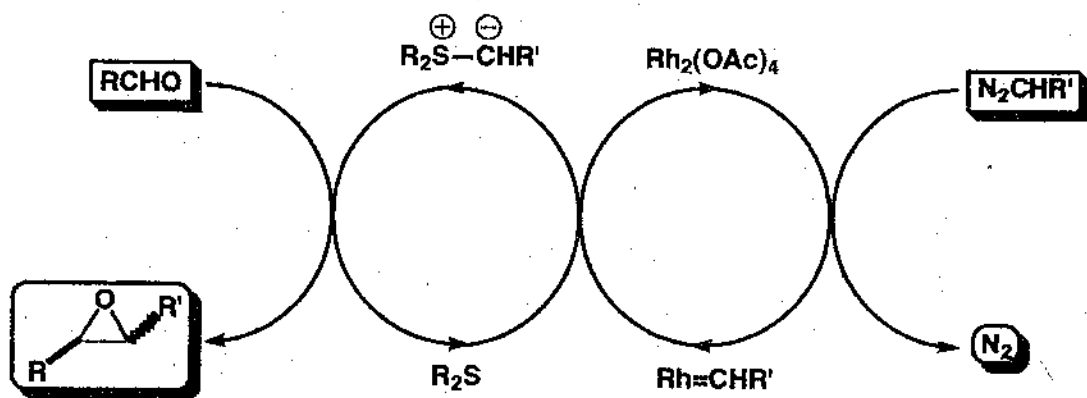


Epoxide Synthesis Using Sulfur Ylides



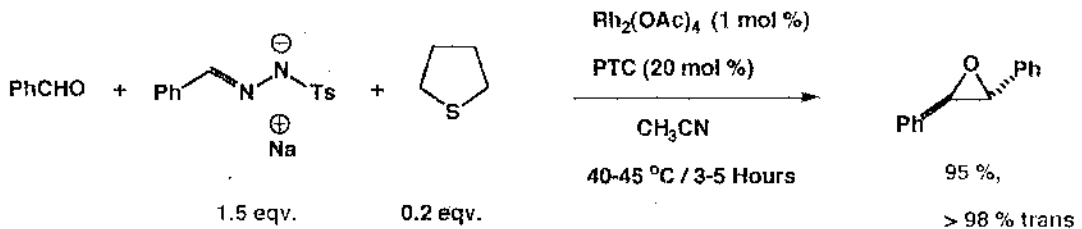
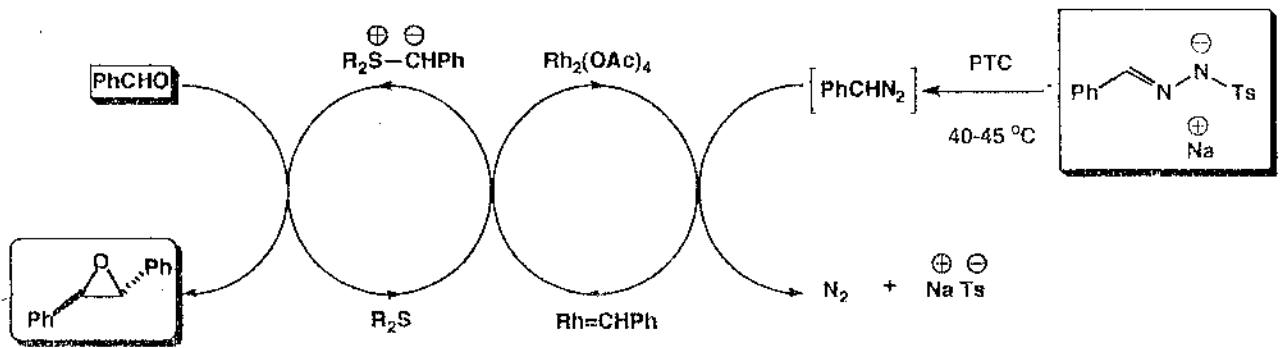
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Summary of Catalytic Cycle for Epoxidation



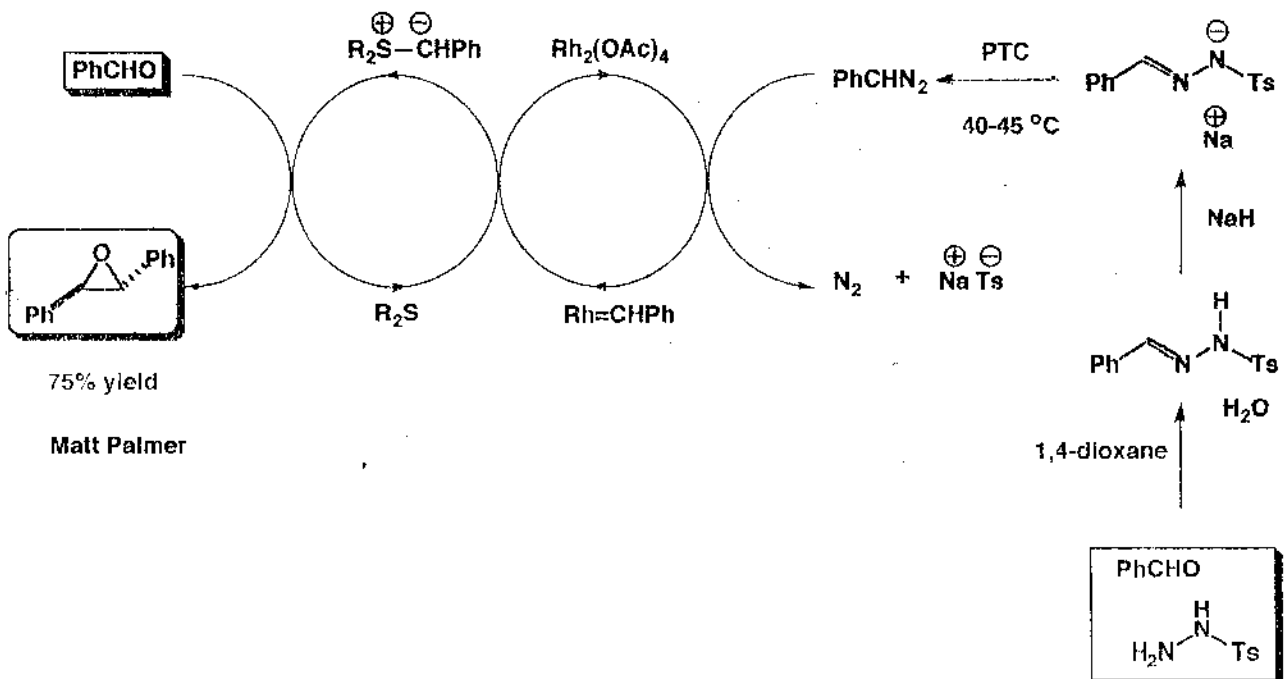
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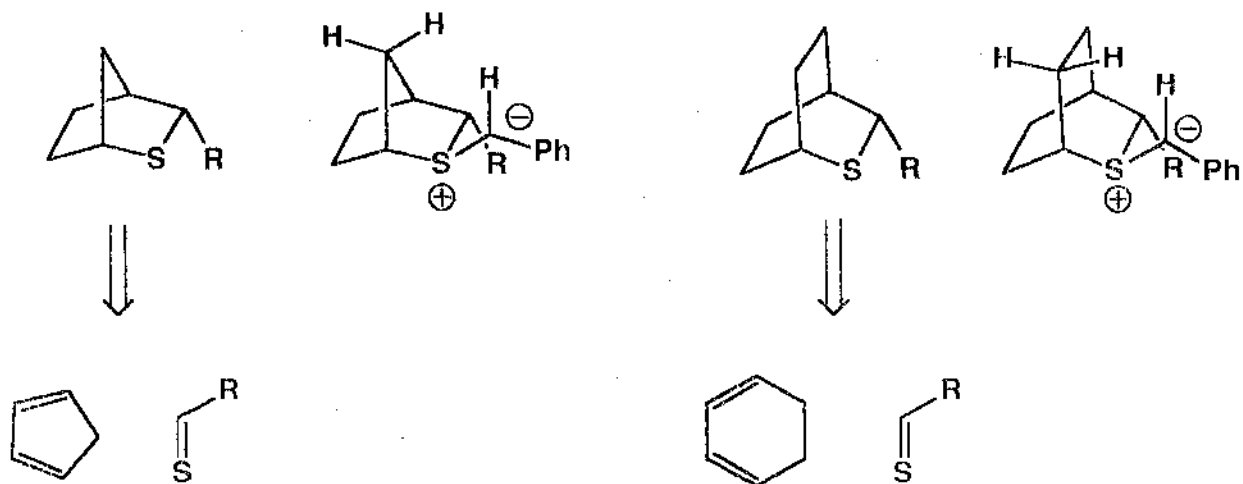
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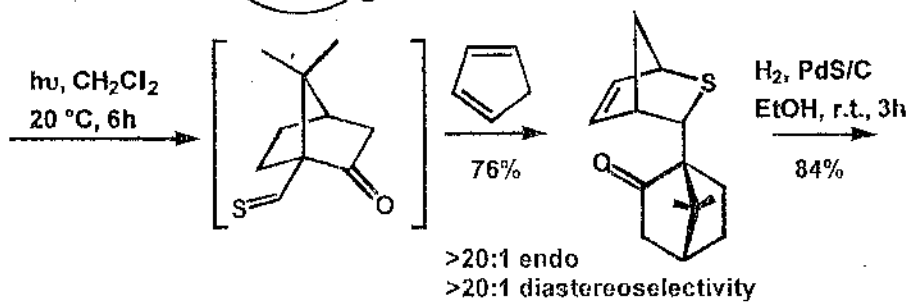
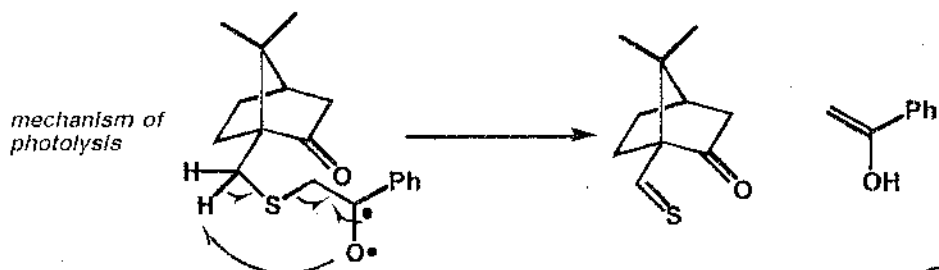
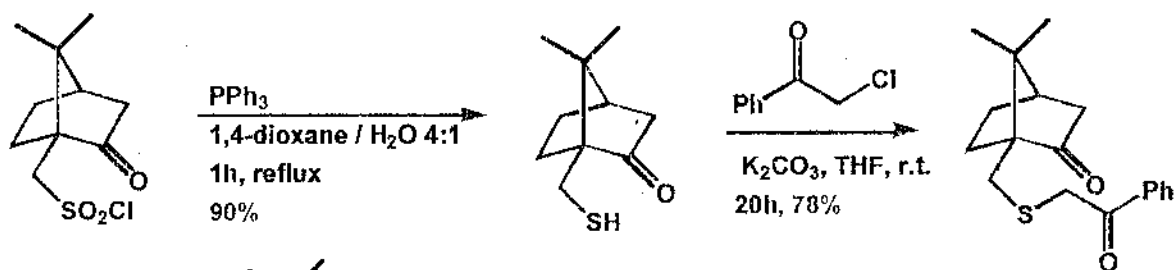
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Can the hydrazone be formed *In Situ*? YES

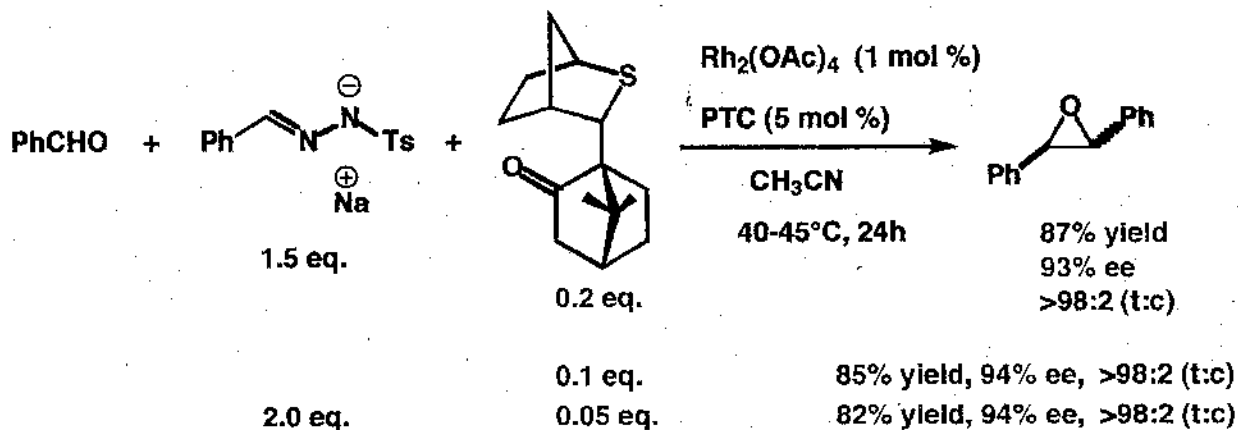




Bridged Bicyclic Sulfides: Synthesis



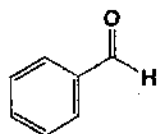
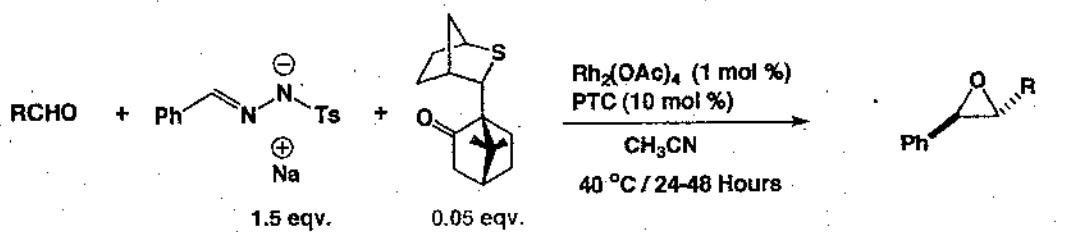
Bicyclic Sulfides: Results in Epoxidation



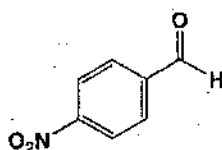
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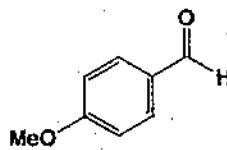
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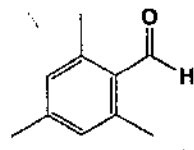
80 % yield
100:0 (trans:cis)
94% ee



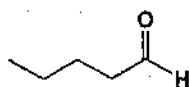
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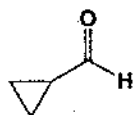
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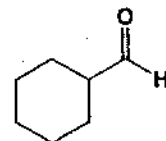
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51 % yield
78:22 (trans:cis)
77% ee



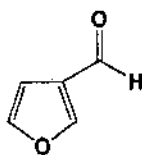
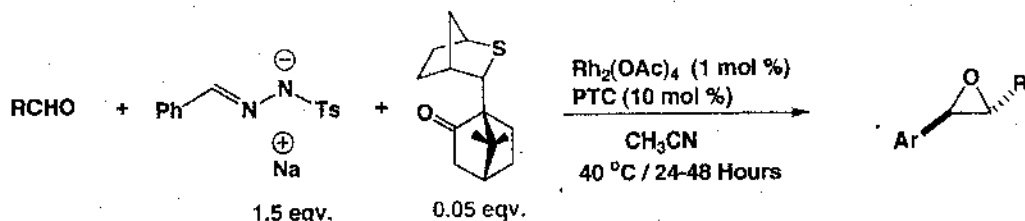
50 % yield
98:2 (trans:cis)
94% ee



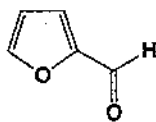
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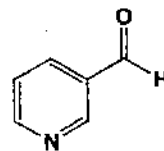
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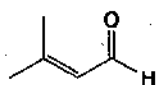
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98:2 (*trans:cis*)
92% ee



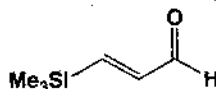
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98:2 (*trans:cis*)
91% ee



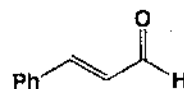
0% yield



21 % yield
98:2 (*trans:cis*)
87% ee



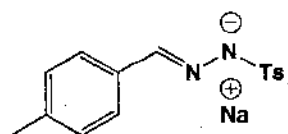
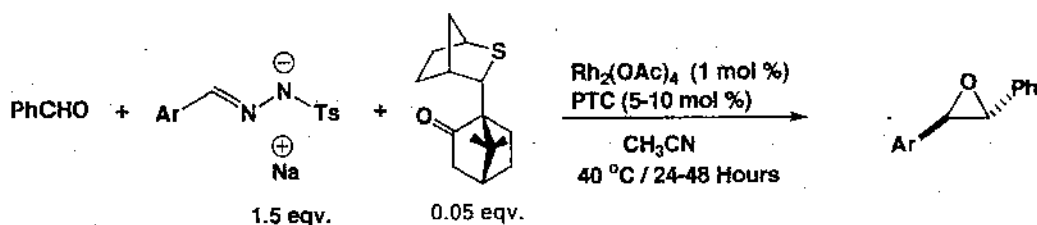
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88% ee



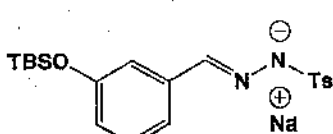
70 % yield
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87% ee

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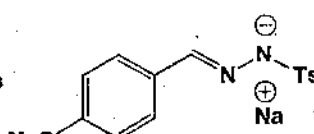
Use of Aromatic and Heteroaromatic Sulfonylhydrazones



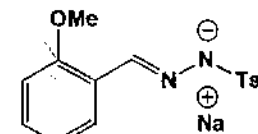
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95:5 (*trans:cis*)
93% ee



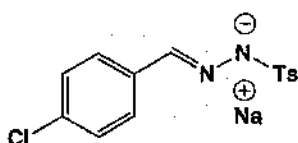
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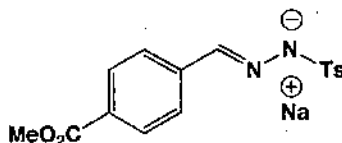
95 % yield
80:20 (*trans:cis*)
91% ee



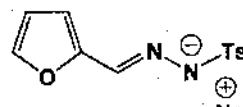
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93% ee



81 % yield
98:2 (*trans:cis*)
93% ee



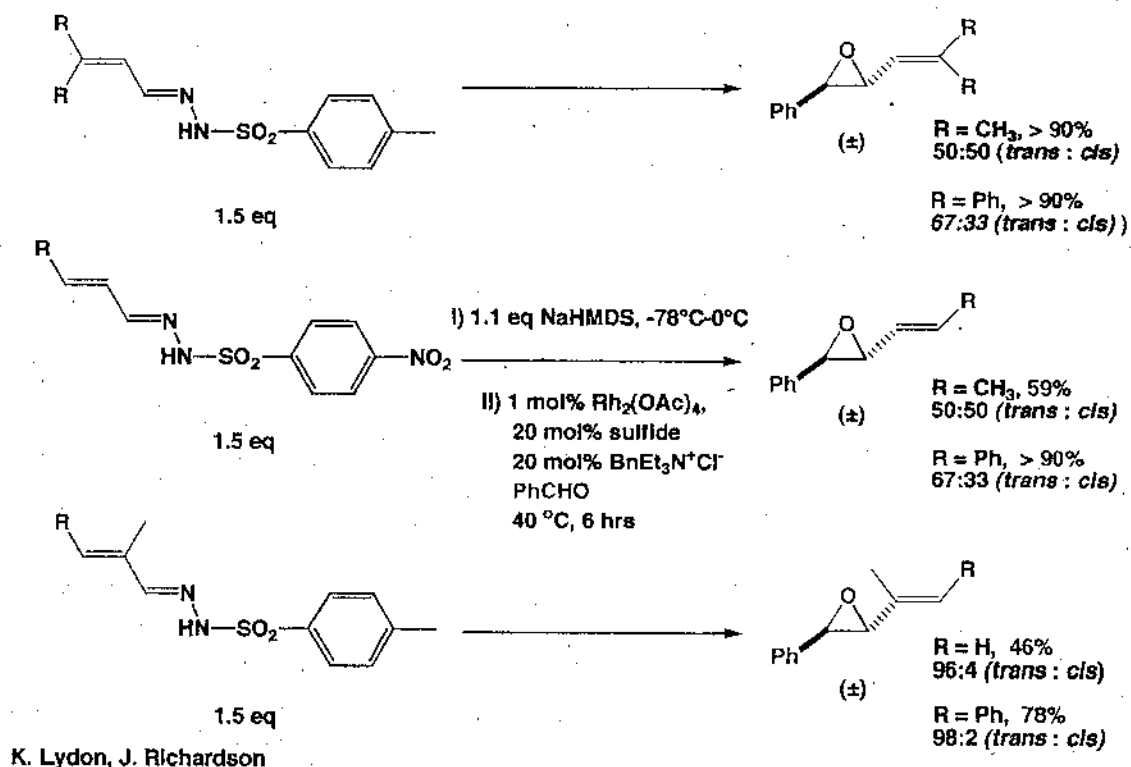
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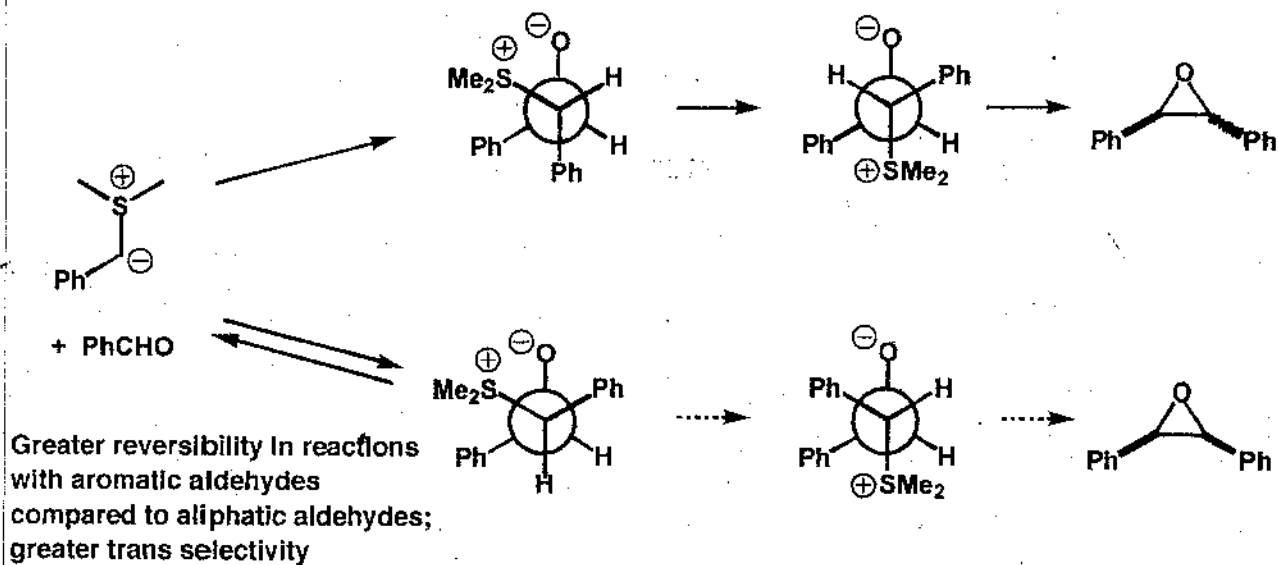
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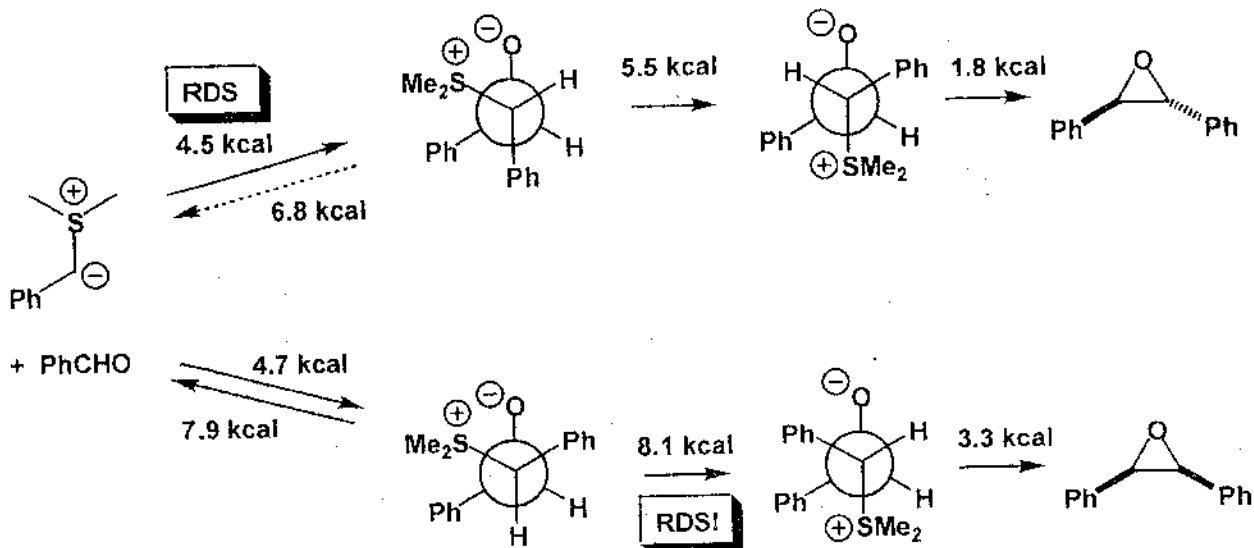
Use of Unsaturated Sulfonylhydrazones



Diastereocontrol in Epoxidation

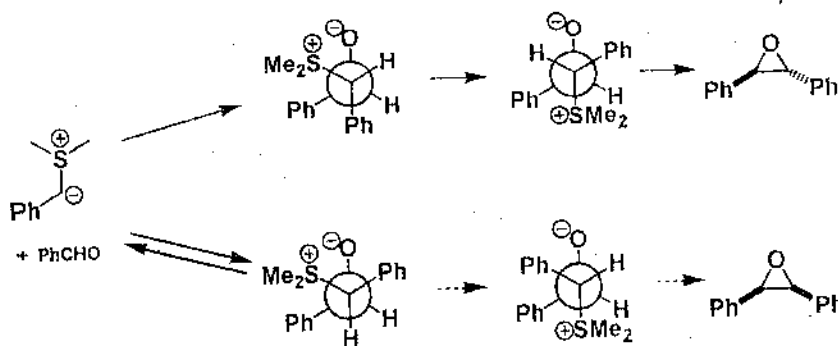


B3LYP/6-311+G**(MeCN) Calculations of Reaction Pathway



Jeff Richardson JACS, 2002, 5747- 5756.

Diastereocontrol in Epoxidation



Increasing conjugation of aldehyde
 ⇒ Increased reversibility
 ⇒ Increased trans selectivity



PhCHO

98:2

C₆H₁₁CHO

65:35

Increasing steric hindrance of ylide

⇒ Increased reversibility
 ⇒ Increased trans selectivity

Reducing stability of ylide

⇒ Reduced reversibility
 ⇒ Reduced trans selectivity

C₆H₁₁CHO



65:35



88:12

PhCHO



PhCHN₂

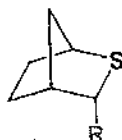
98:2

p-MeOC₆H₄CHN₂

71:29

Diastereocontrol results from both steric and electronic control

PhCHO

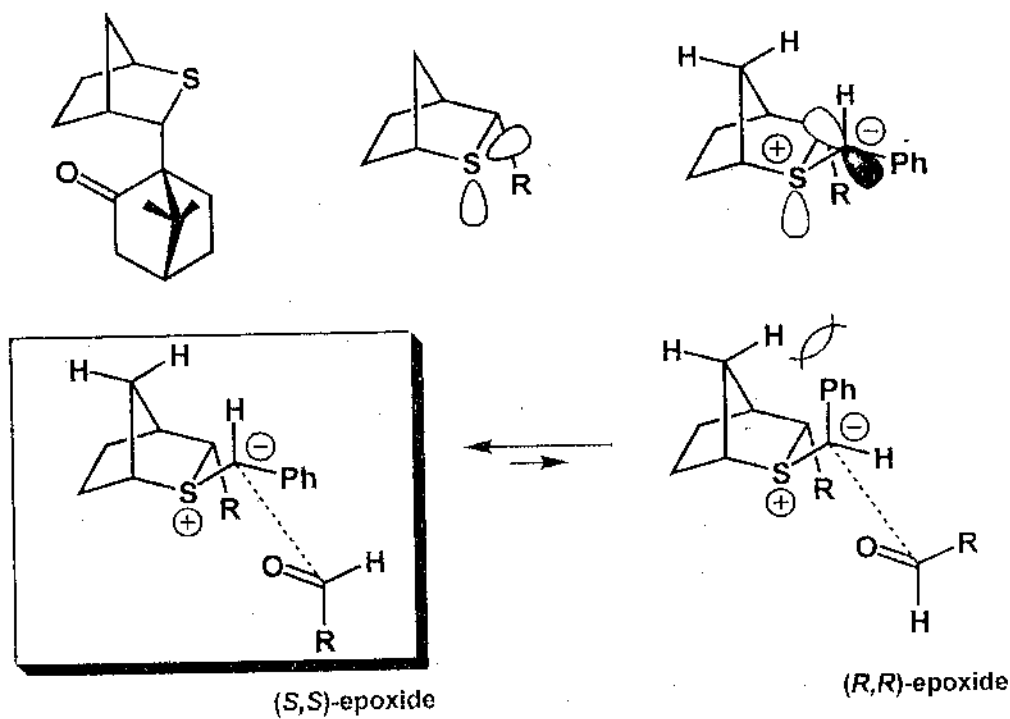


o-MeOC₆H₄CHN₂

100:0

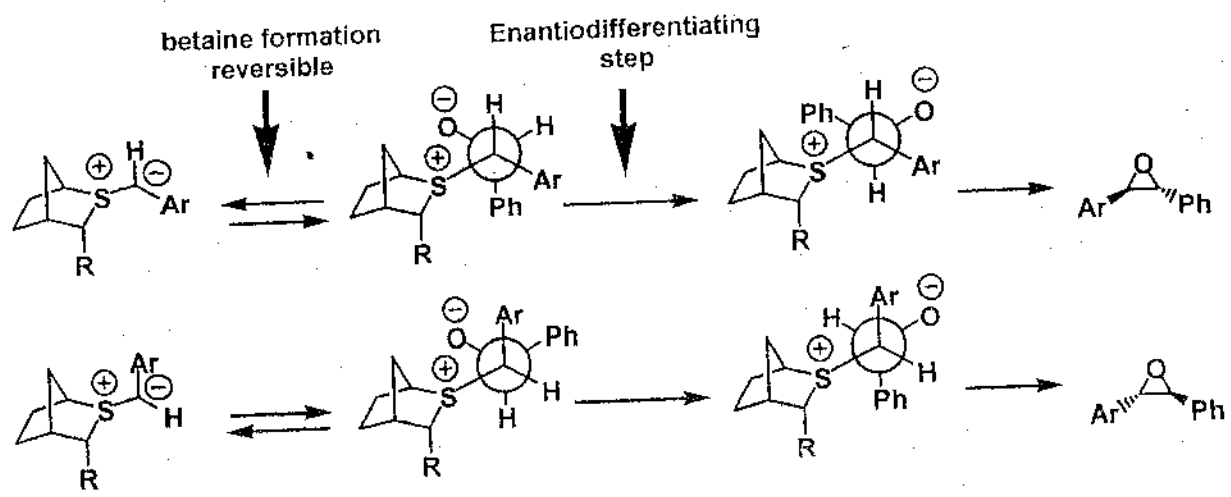
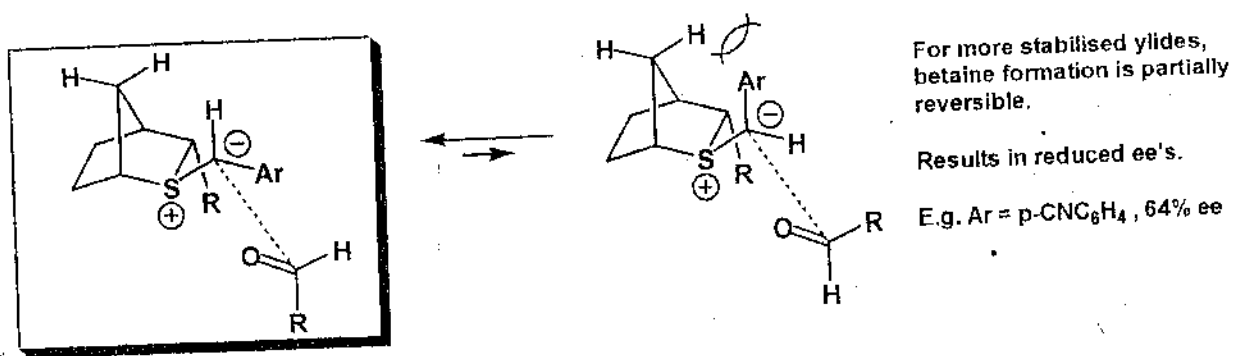
p-MeOC₆H₄CHN₂

80:20

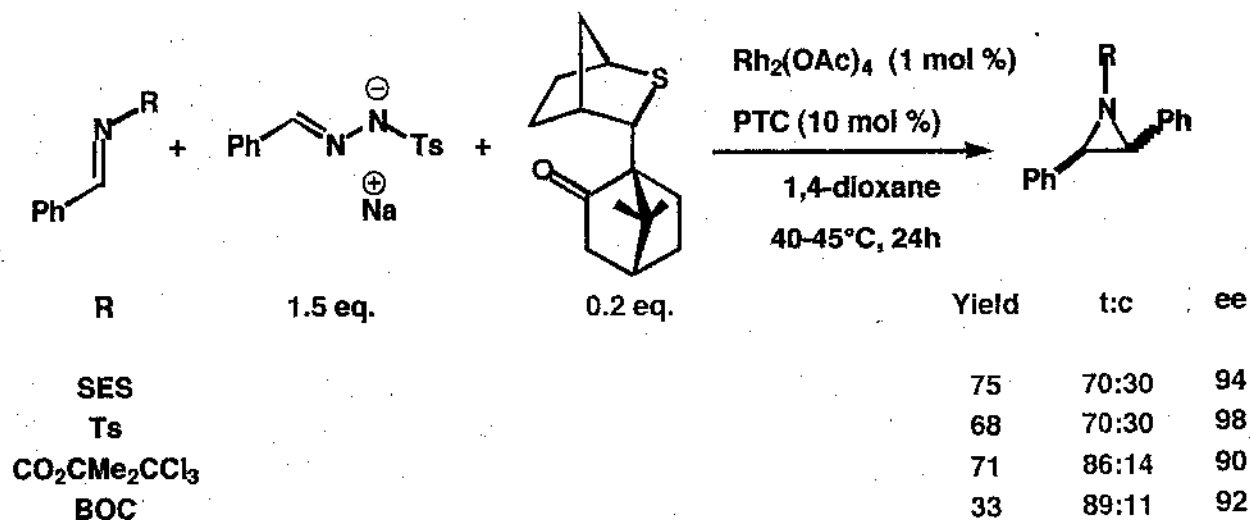


All aldehydes give $91 \pm 4\%$ ee
 Controlled by ylide conformation

Origin of Enantiocontrol with More Stable Ylides

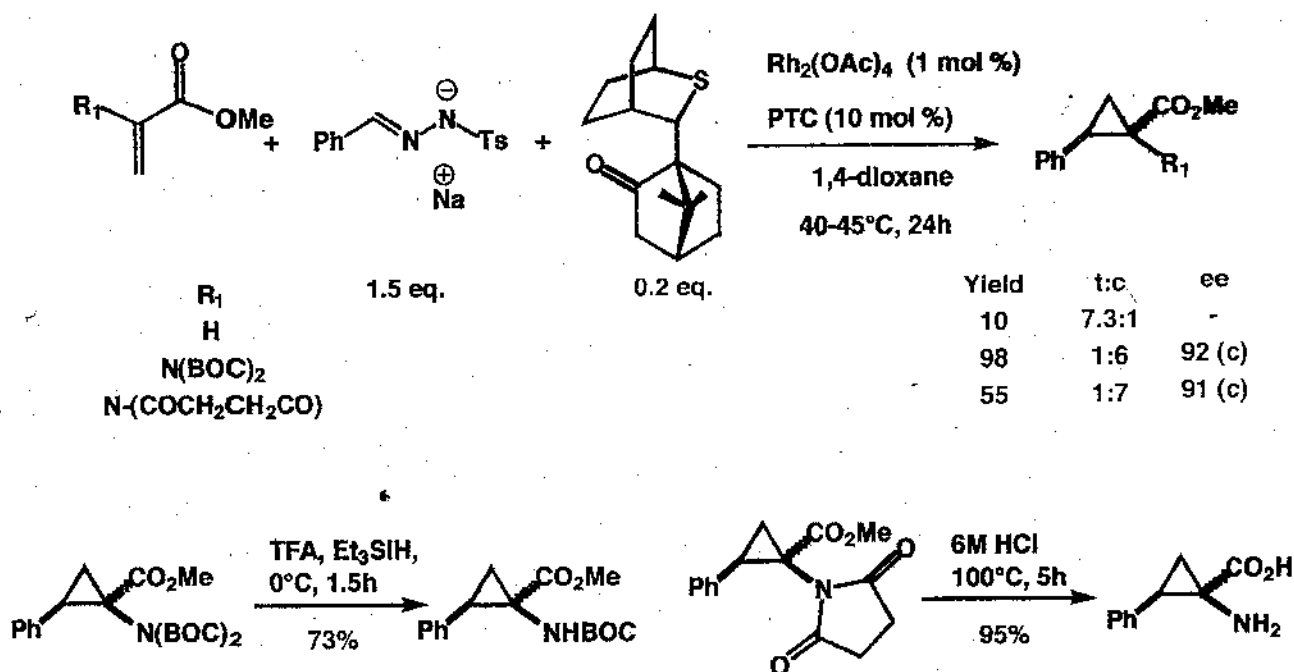


Bicyclic Sulfides: Results in Aziridination



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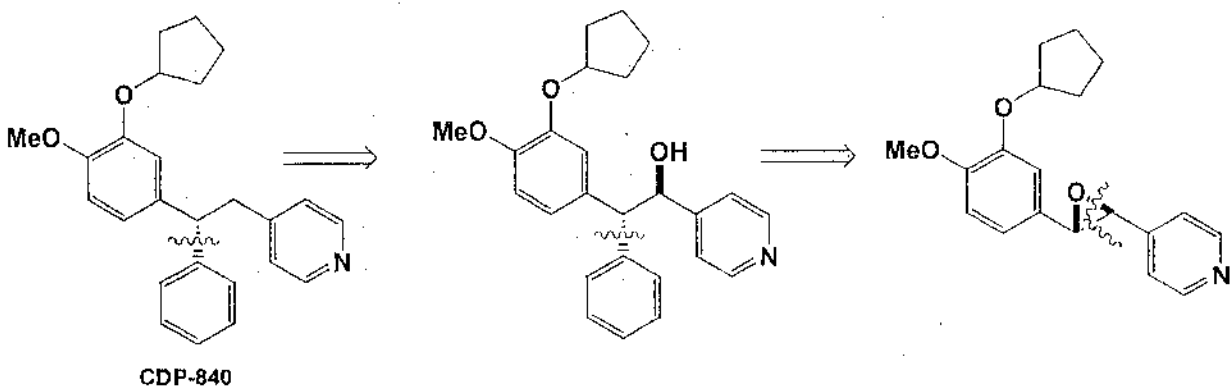
Synthesis of Cyclopropane Amino Acids



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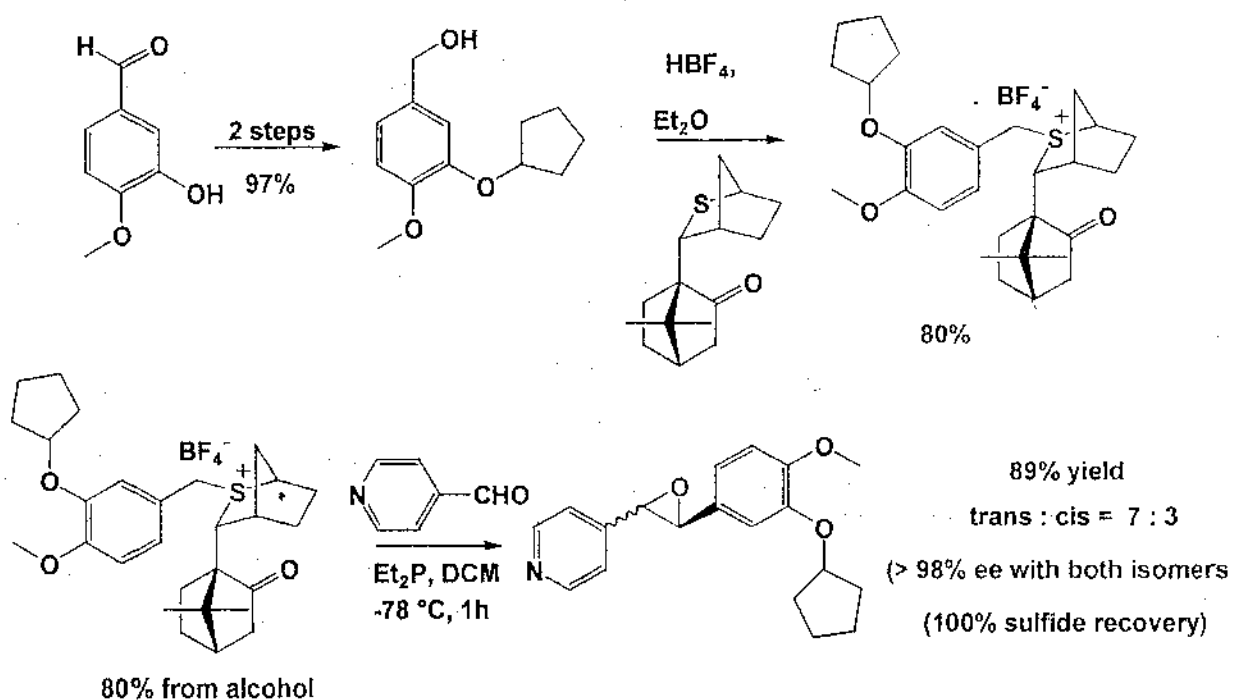
Retrosynthesis of CDP-840

- Selective PDE IV inhibitor, potential anti-asthma agent.
- Discovered by Celltech, 1997 (patent), licensed to Merck.



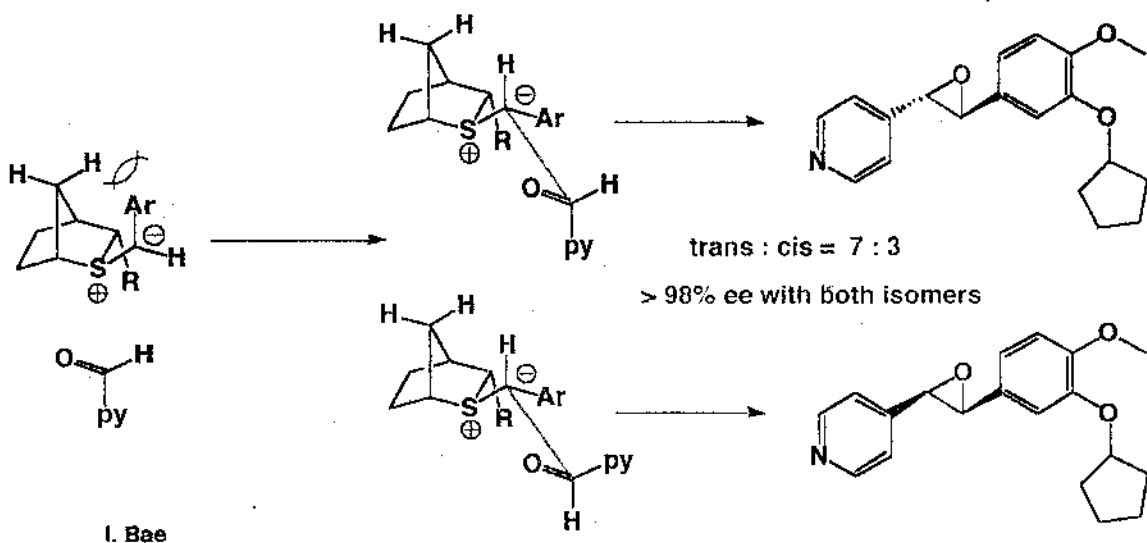
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Synthesis of CDP-840

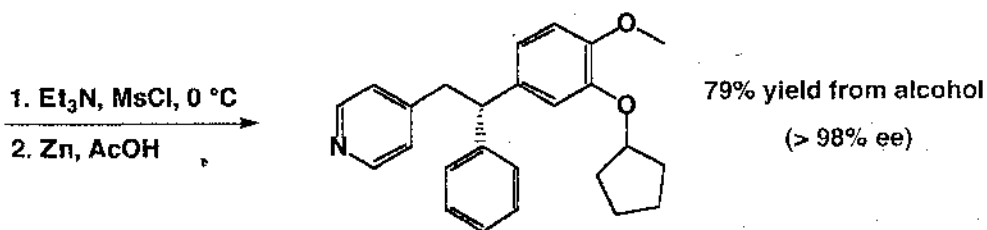
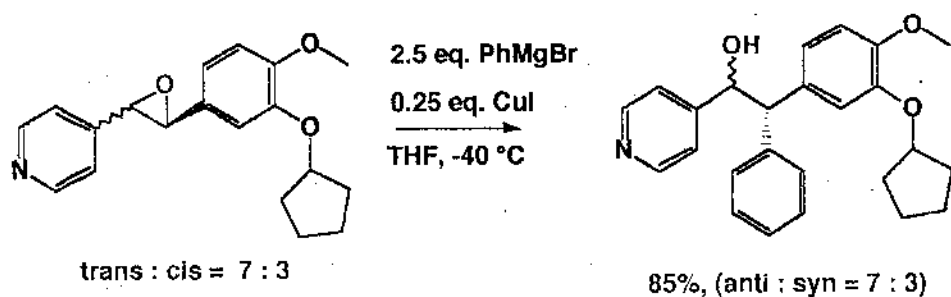


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Rationale for Enantiocontrol

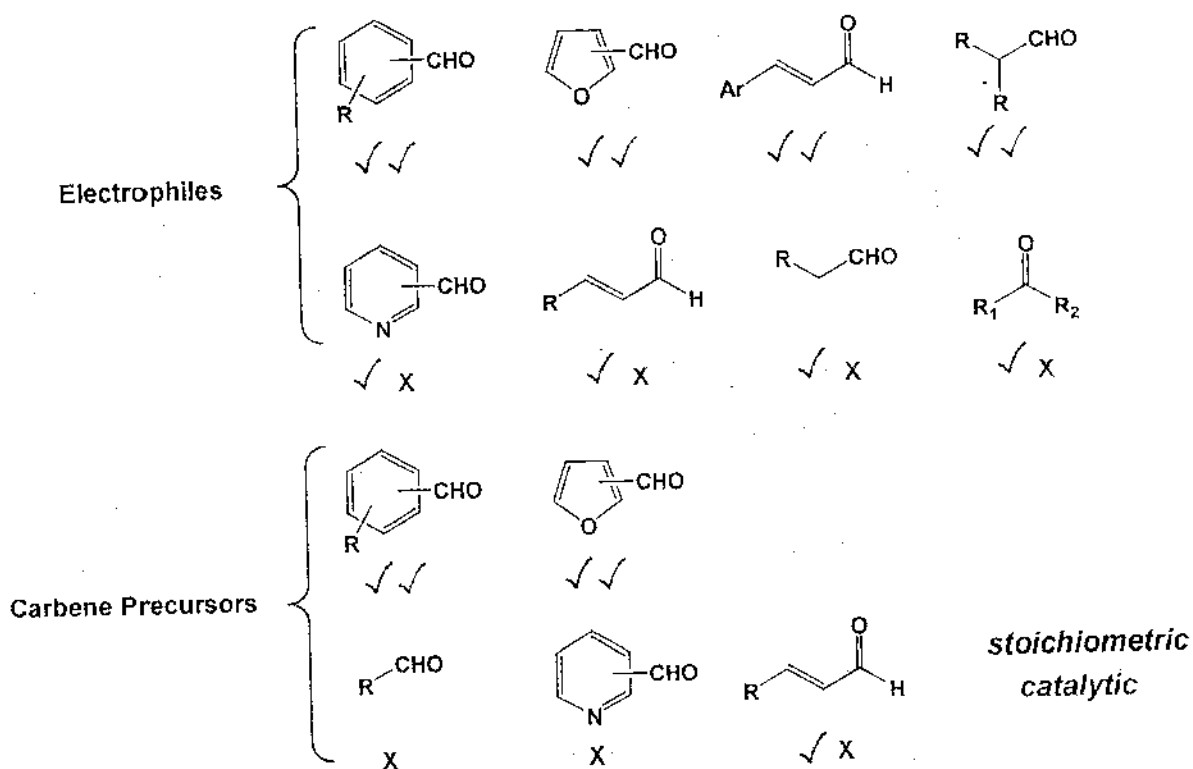


Synthesis of CDP-840

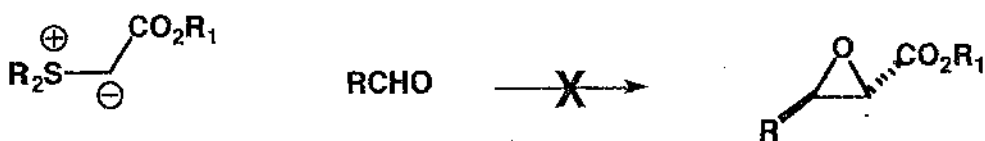


- Overall Yield: 47% from commercially available aldehyde
- Enantiomerically pure
- 7 steps
- Sulfide reisolated
- Competitive with published literature routes

Scope and Limitations in Asymmetric Epoxidation

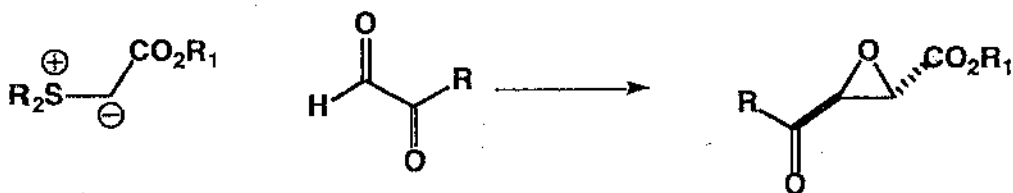


Alternative Diazo Compounds: Reactivity of Ylides

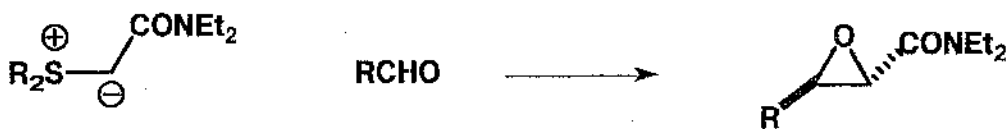


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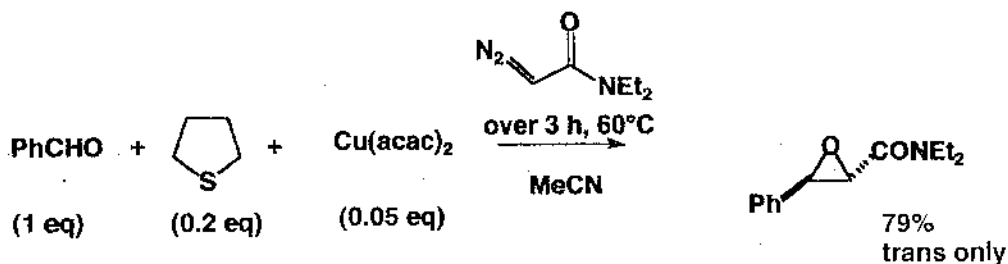
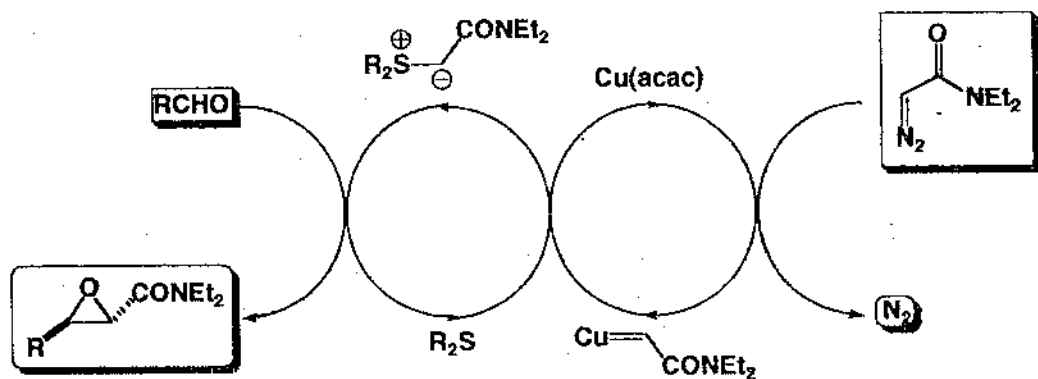
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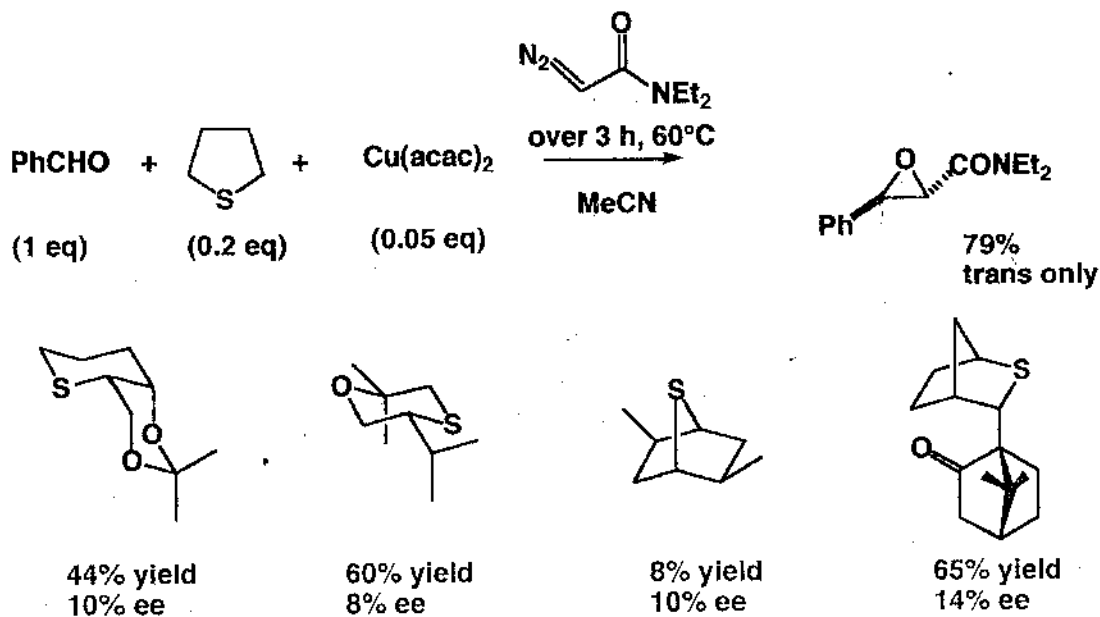
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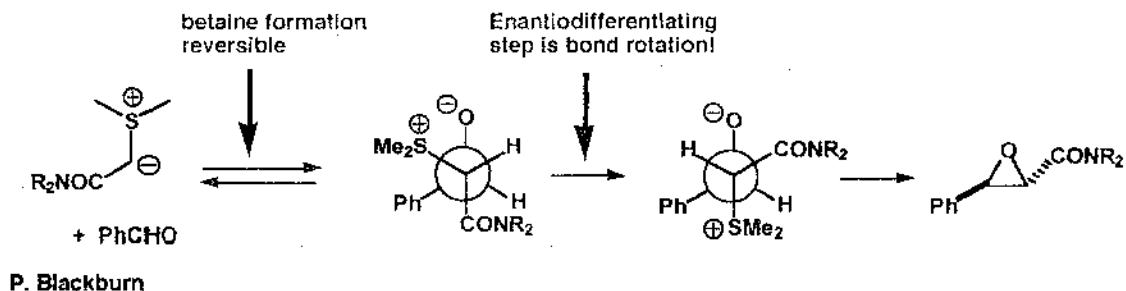
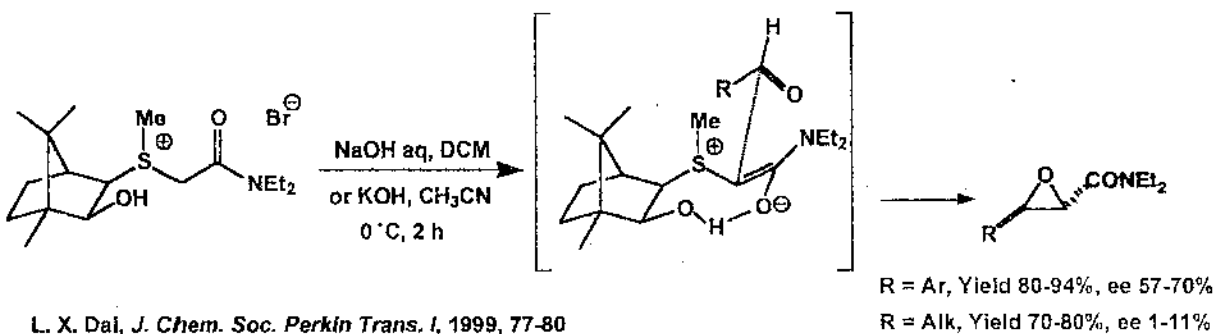
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Asymmetric Synthesis of Epoxyamides using Sulfur Ylides



Mechanism of Epoxidation: Reversible Formation of Betaine

