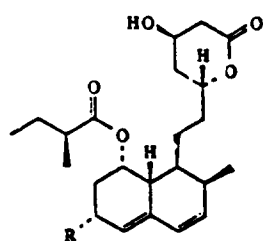
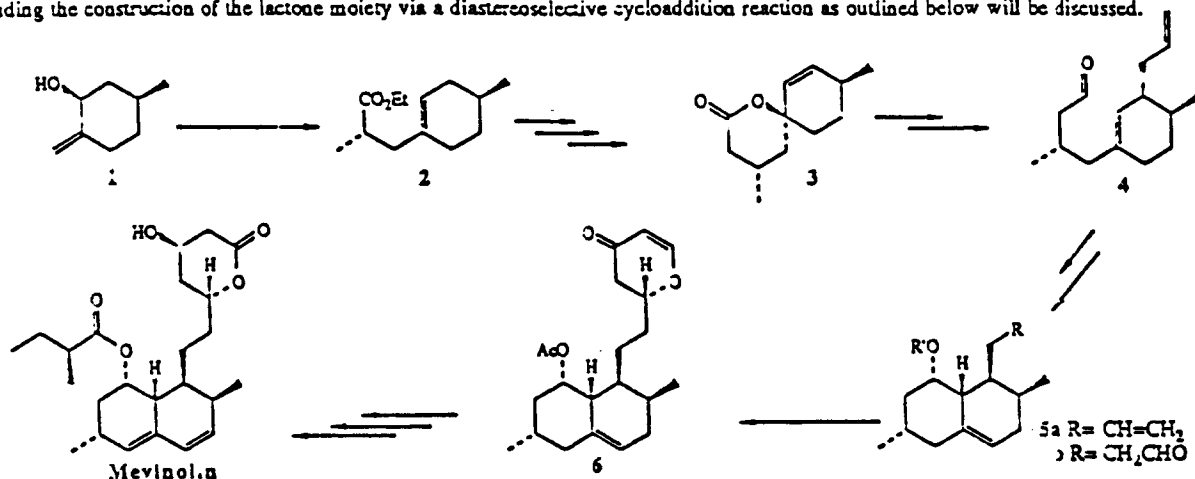


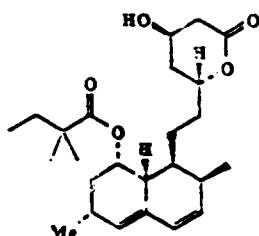
ASYMMETRIC TOTAL SYNTHESIS OF MEVINOLIN

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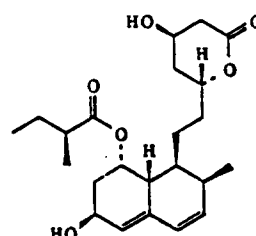
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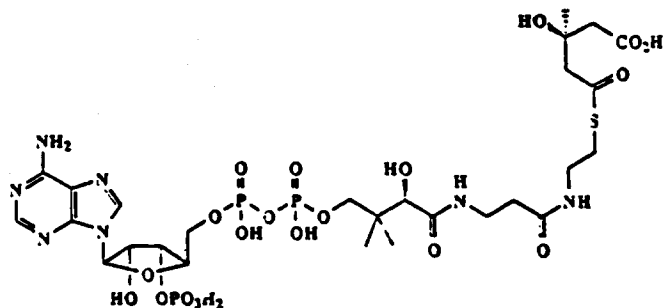
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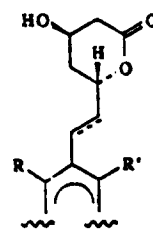
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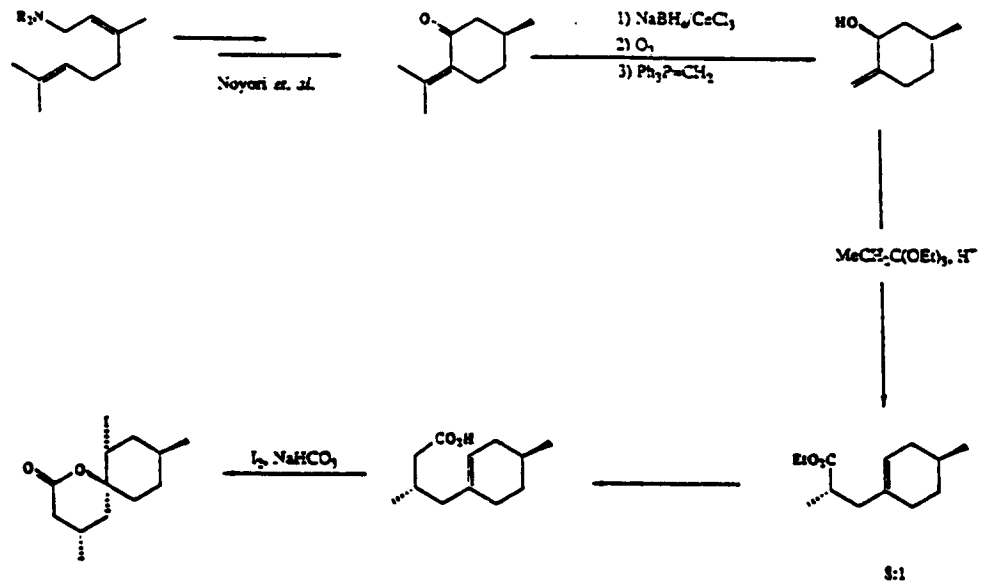
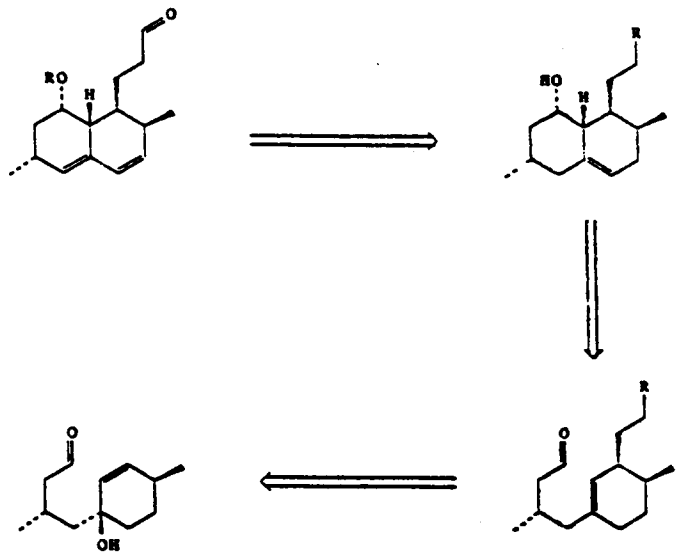
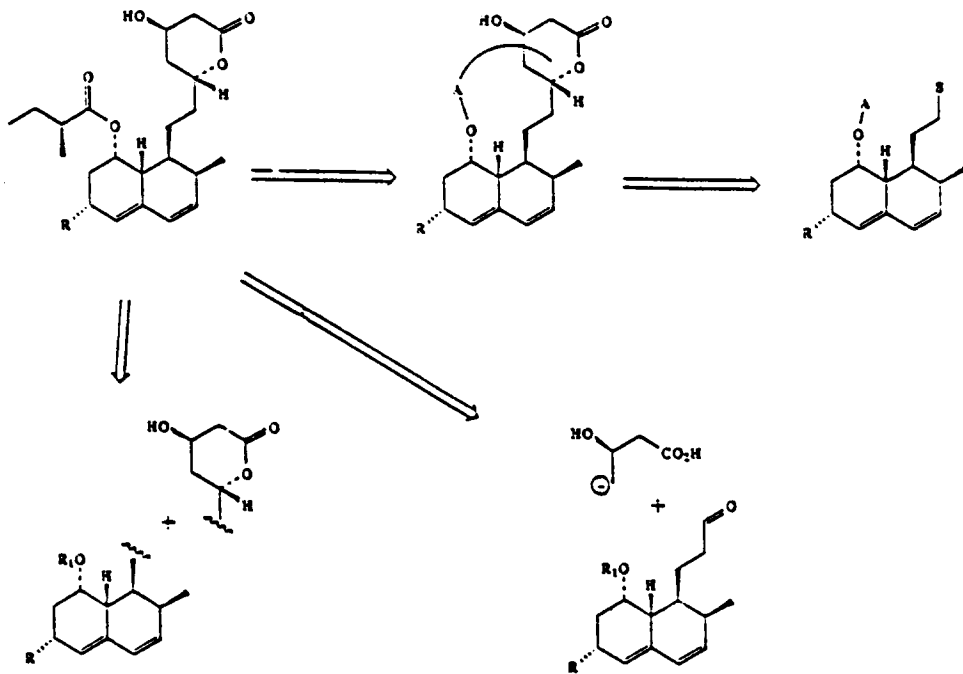
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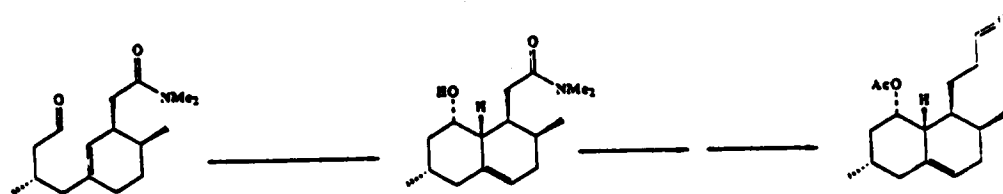
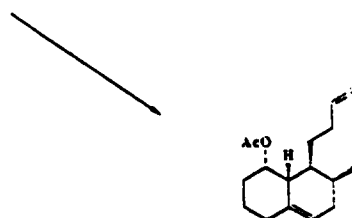
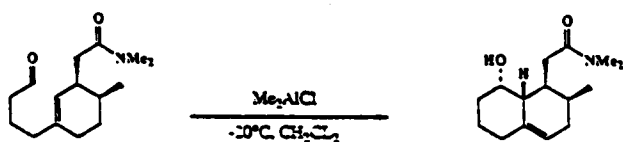
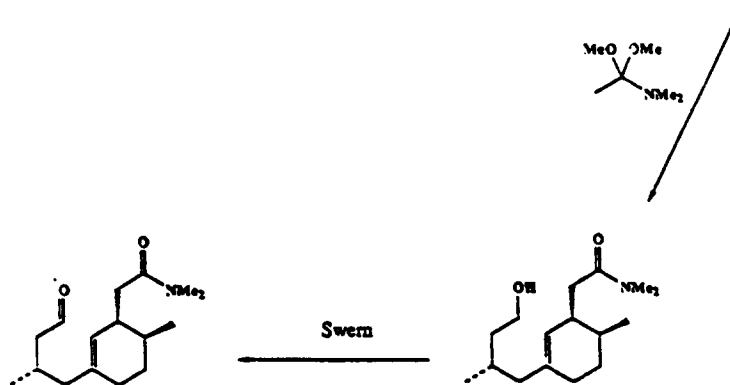
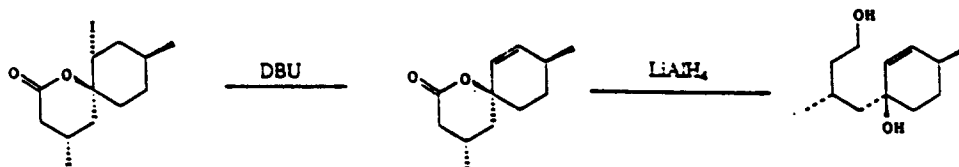


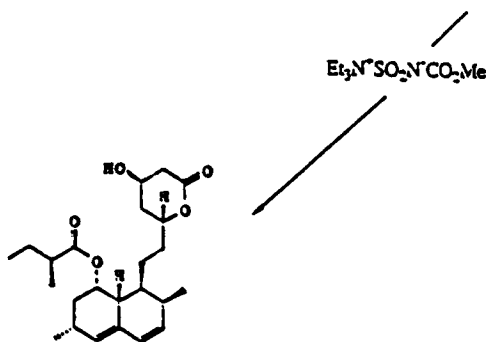
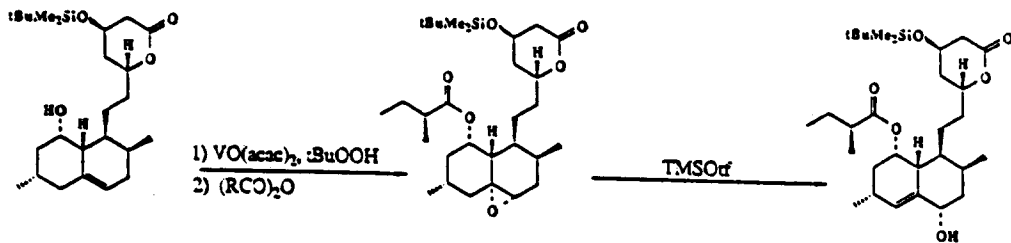
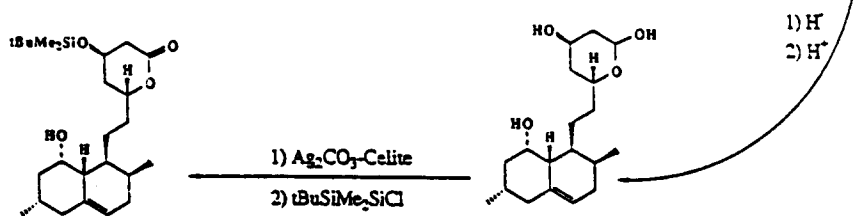
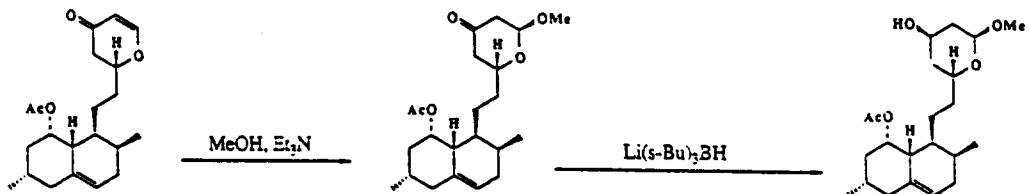
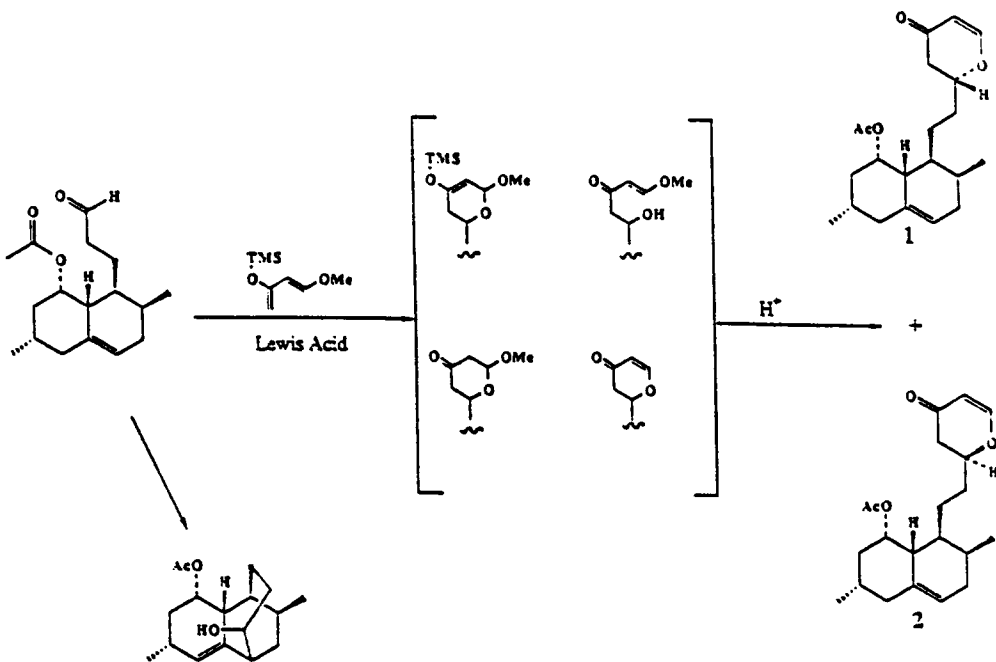
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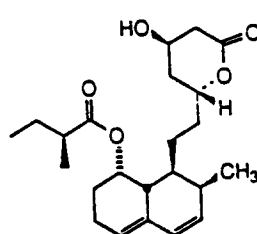
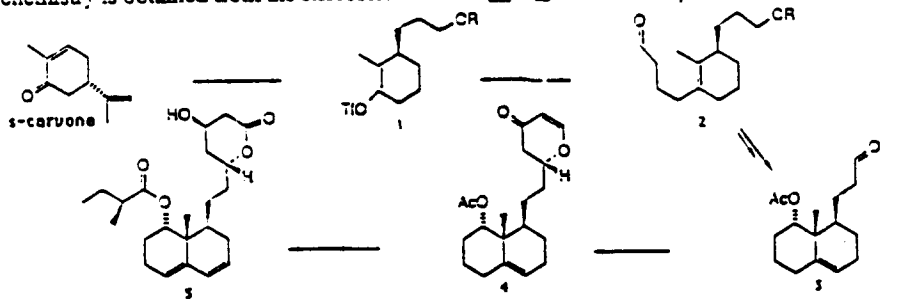






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Total synthesis of the angular methyl regioisomer **5** of compactin from *s*-carvone will be described. Control of stereochemistry is obtained from the stereoselective ene (**2** to **3**) and hetero Diels-Alder (**1** to **2**) reactions.



Compactin

