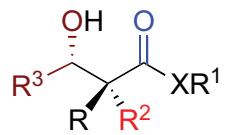


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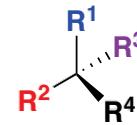
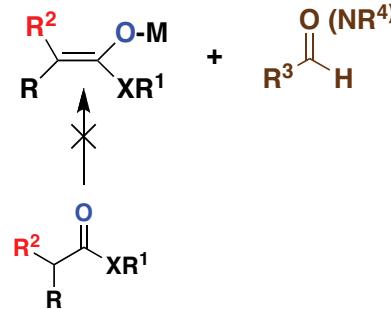
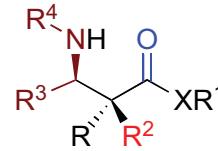
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Aldol reaction



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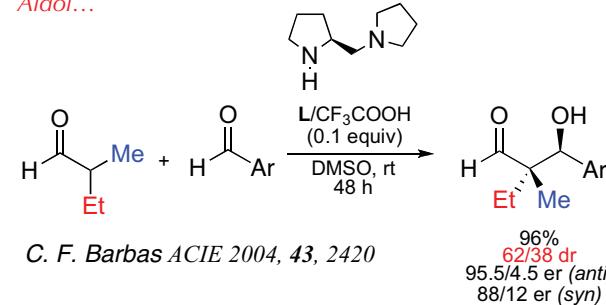


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- Enantioselective nucleophilic allylation
- Enantioselective alkylation
- Enantioselective aldol reaction
- Rearrangement

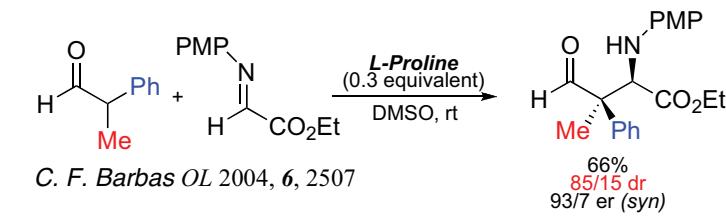
Could we consider a different approach?

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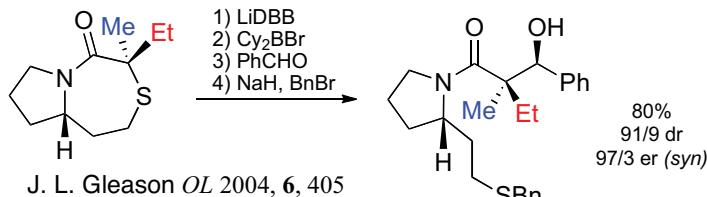
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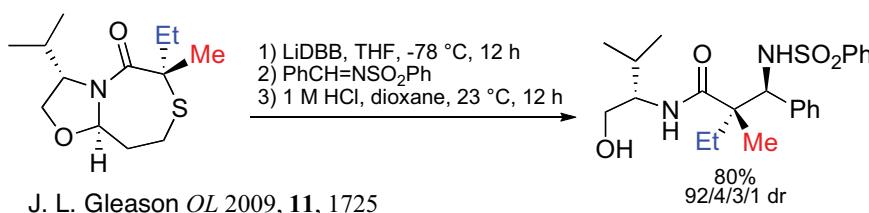
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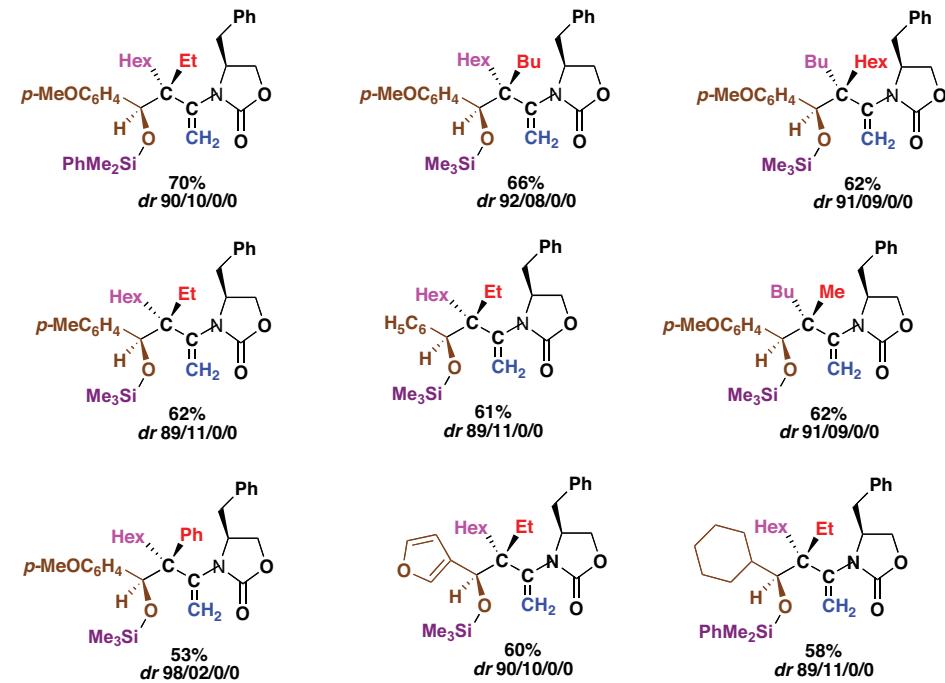
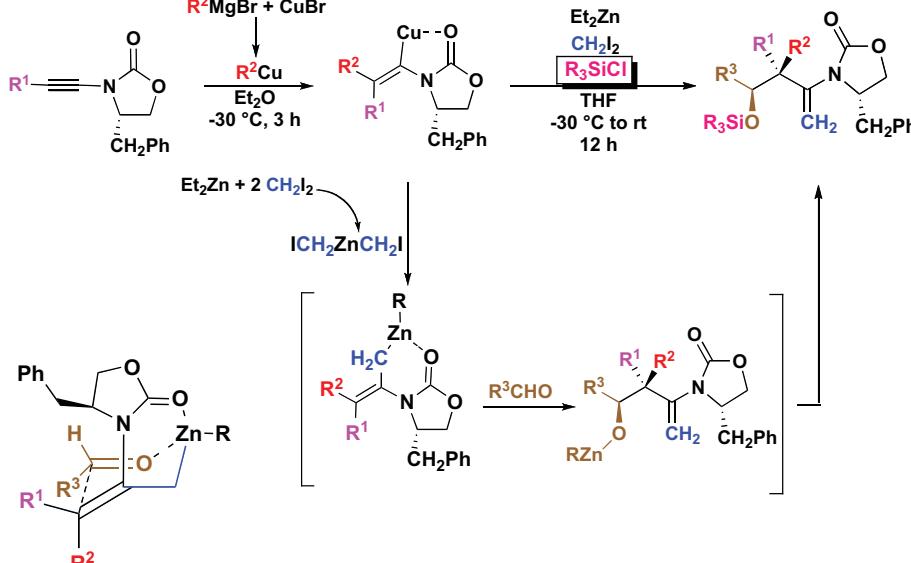
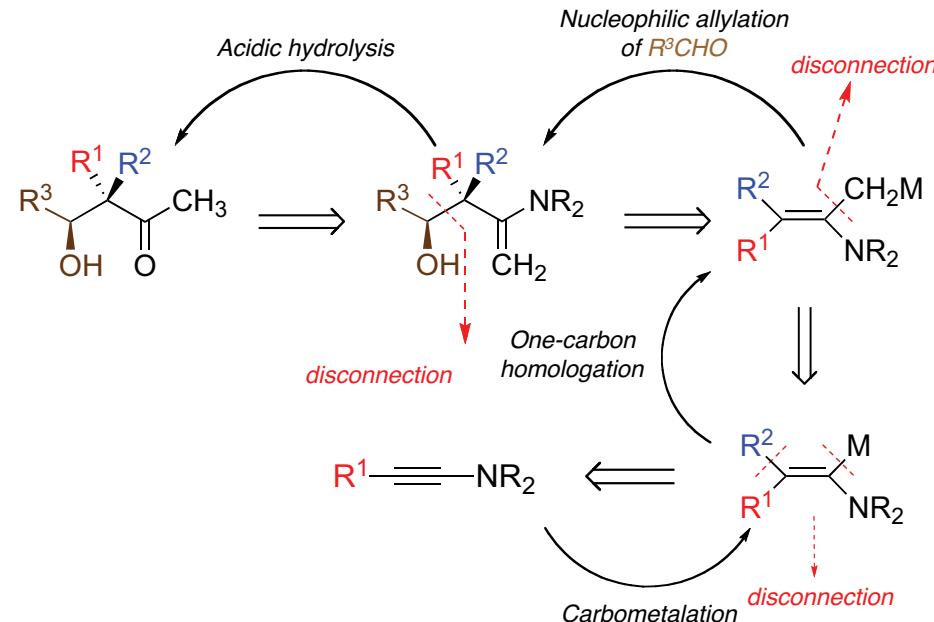


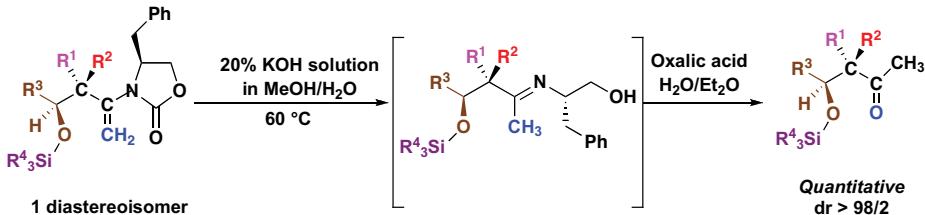
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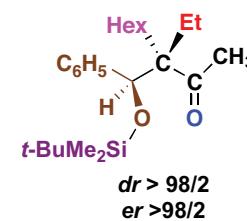
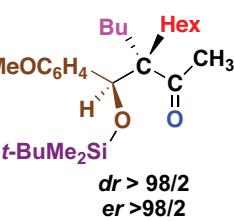
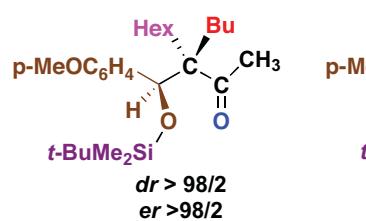
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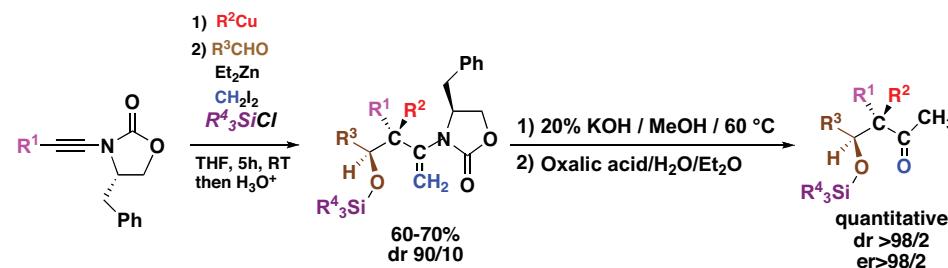




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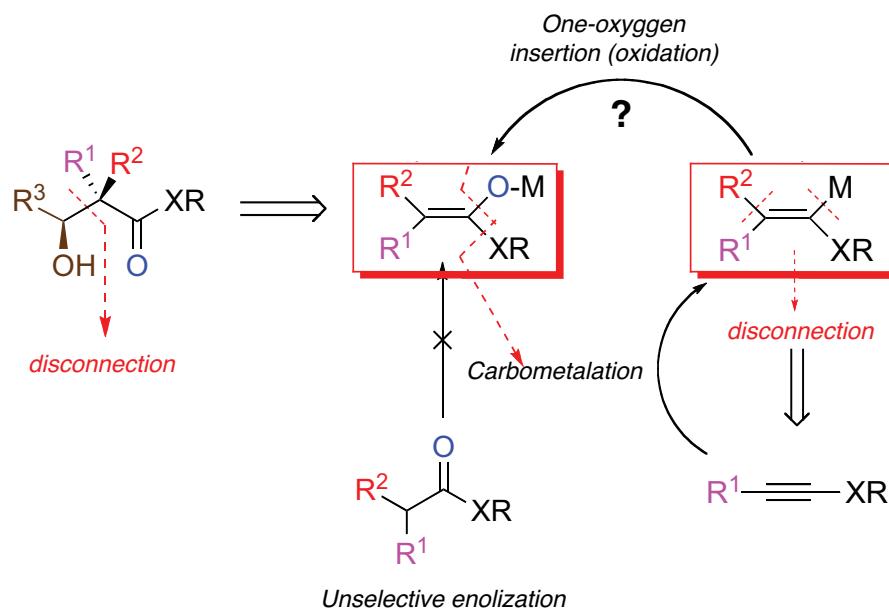


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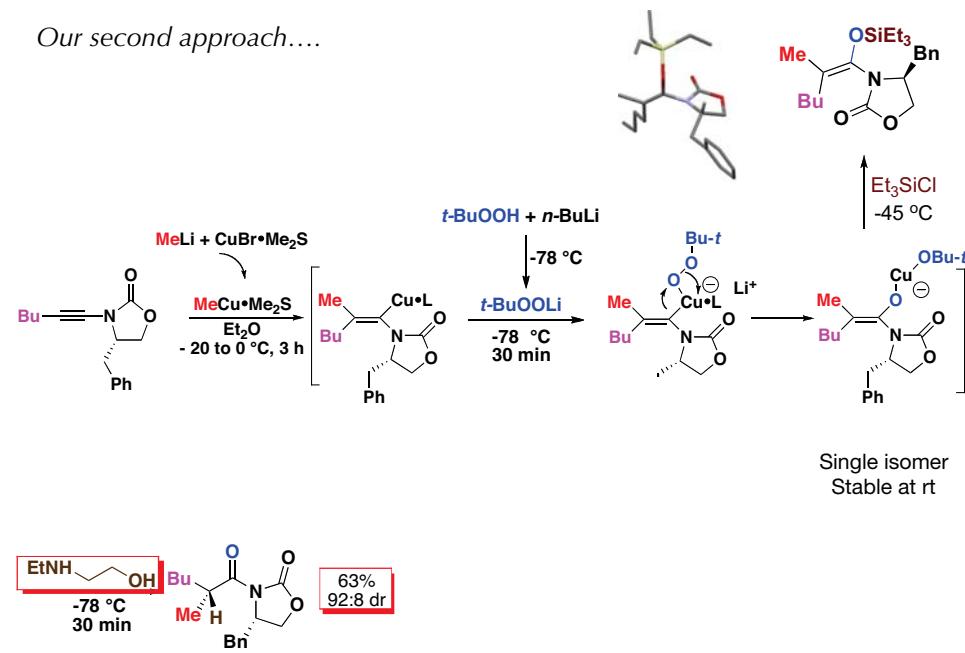


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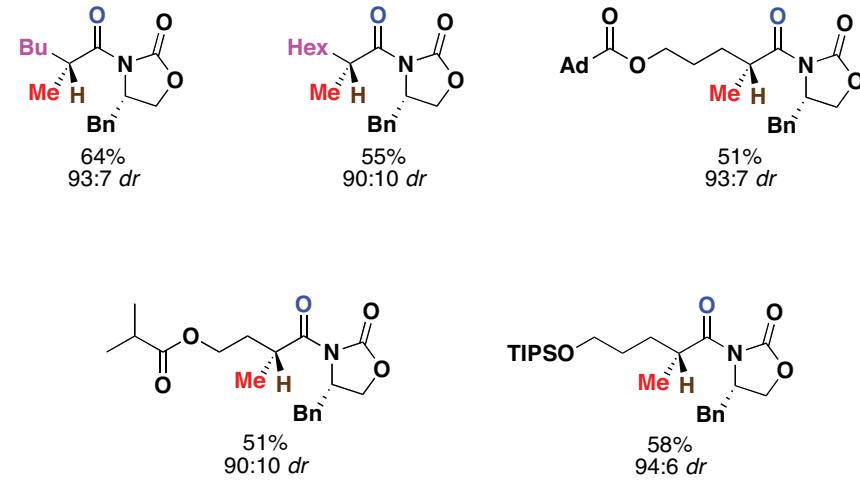
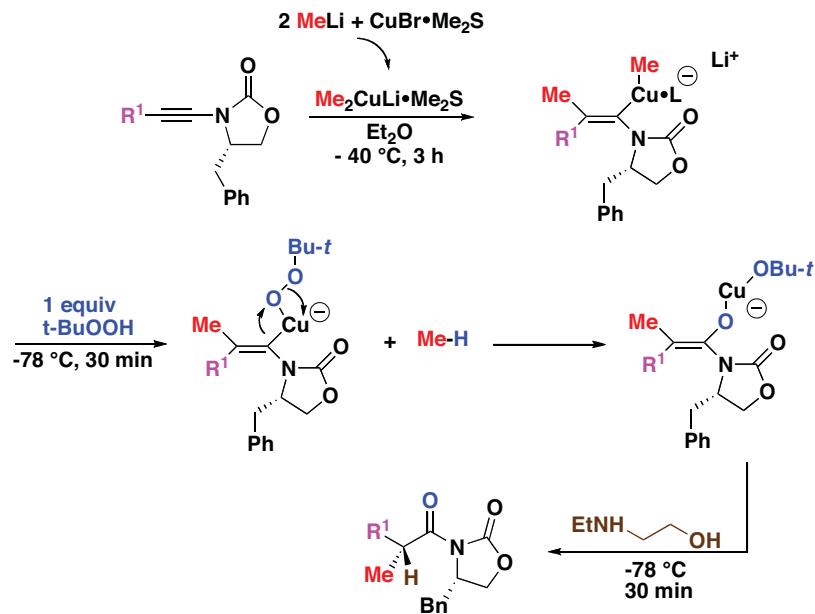
Our second (and more appealing/promising) approach....



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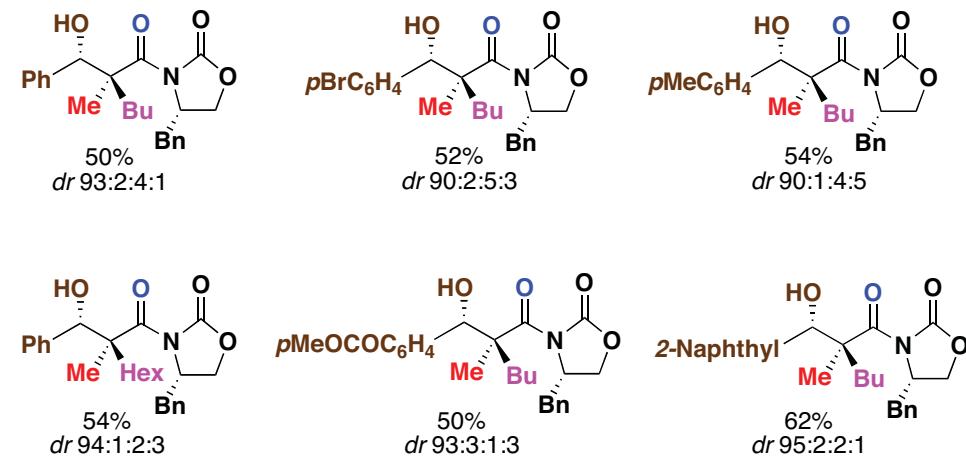
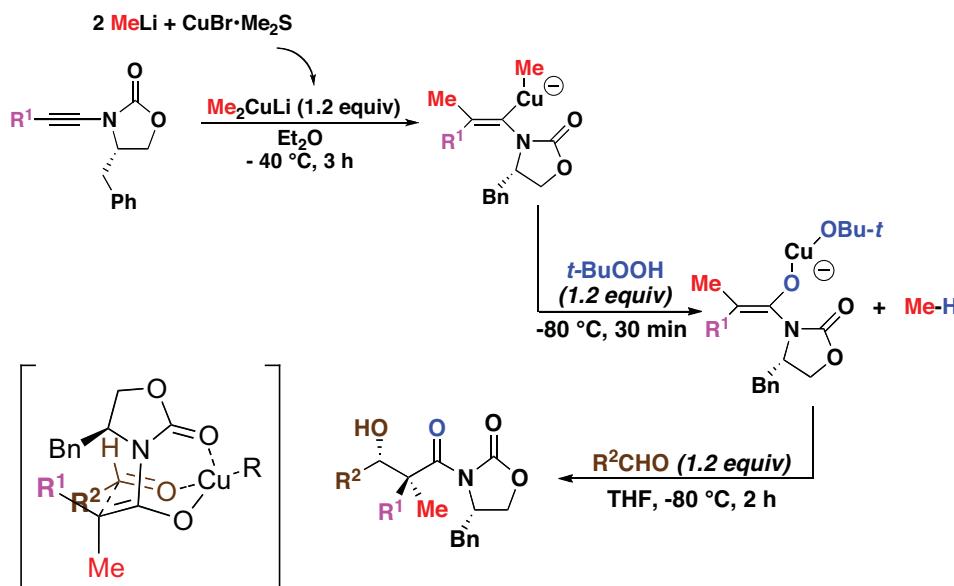


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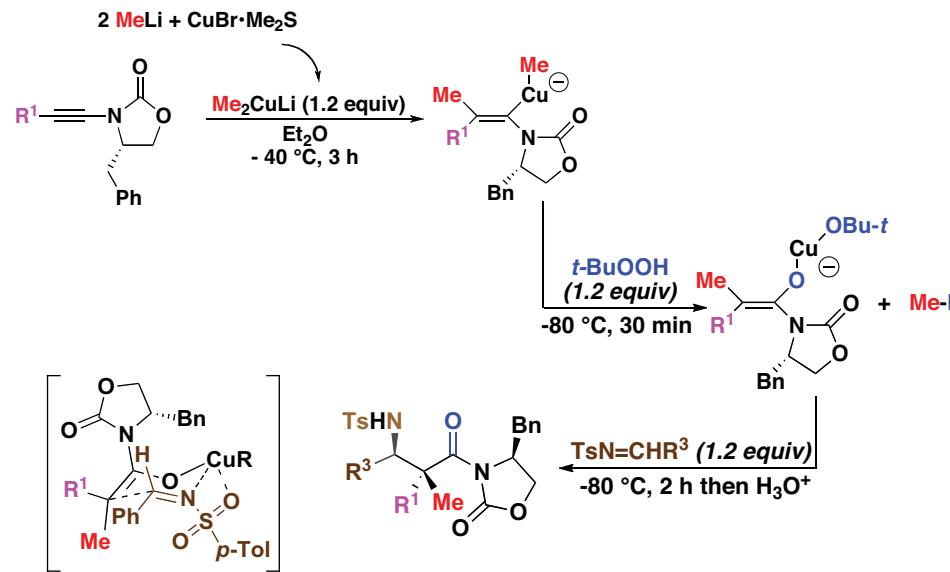
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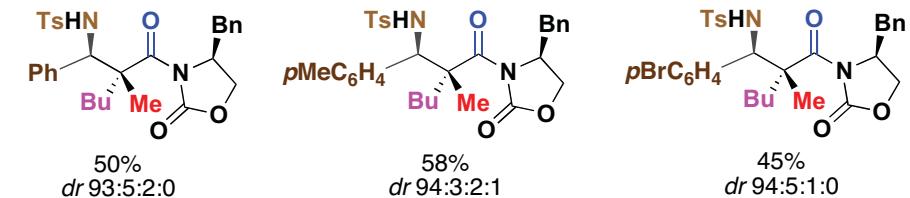
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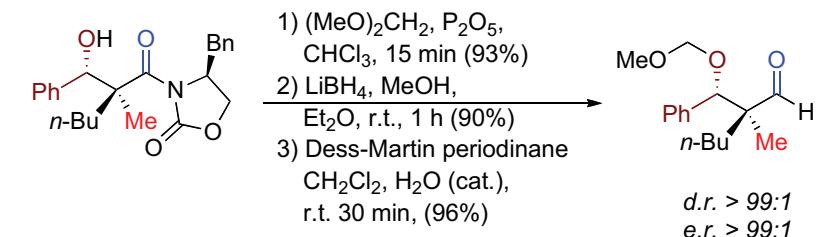


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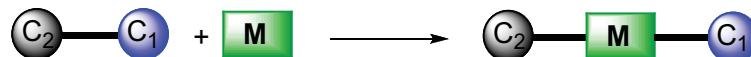
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Cleavage oxazolidinone (a selected example)....



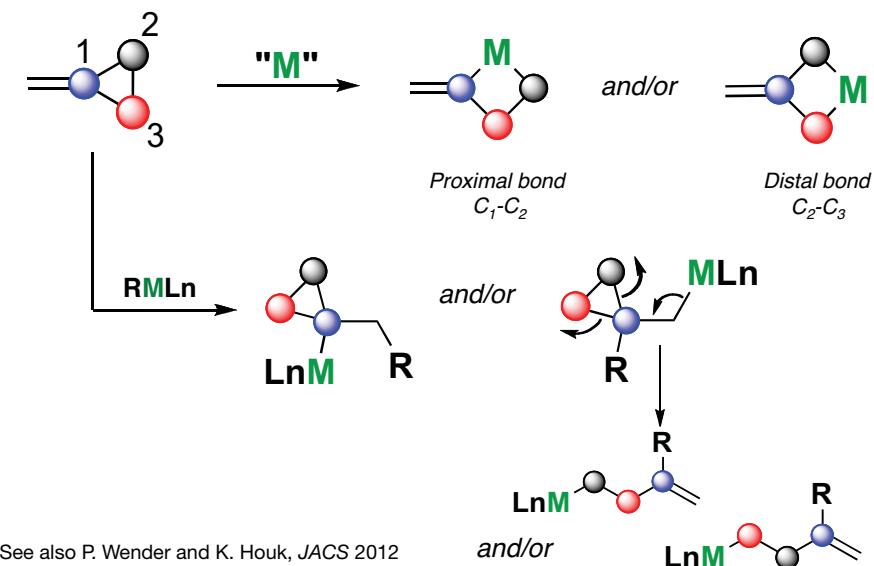
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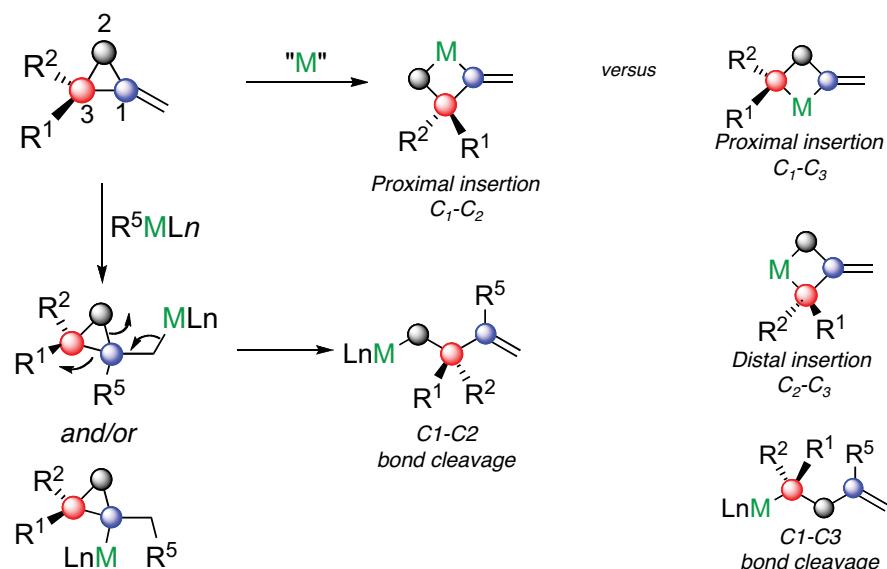
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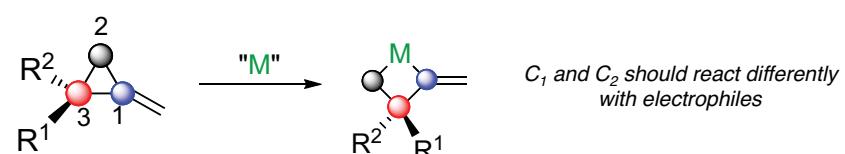
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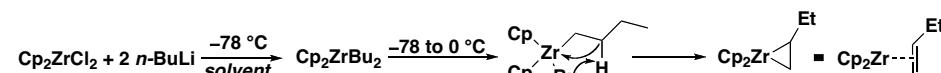
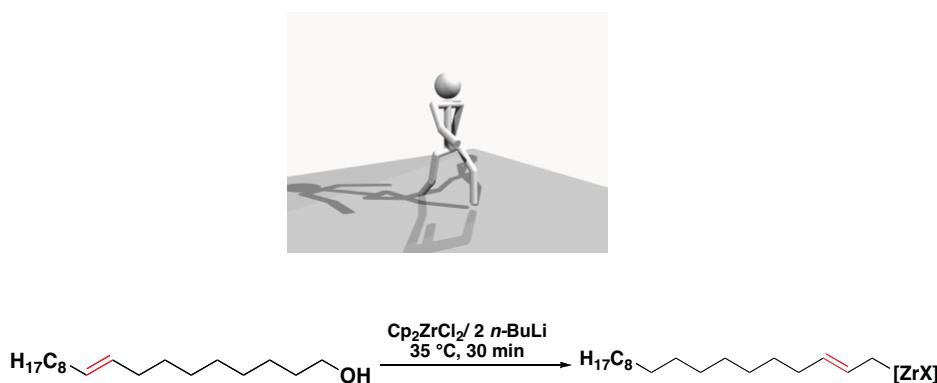
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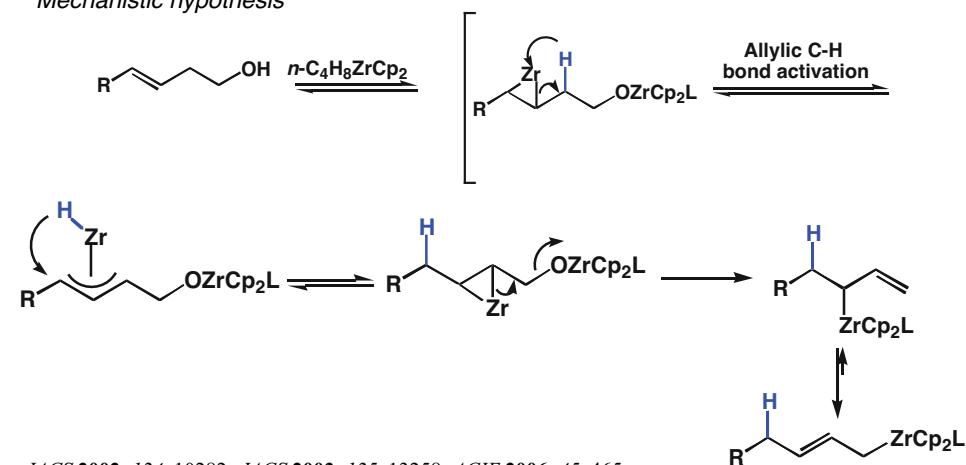
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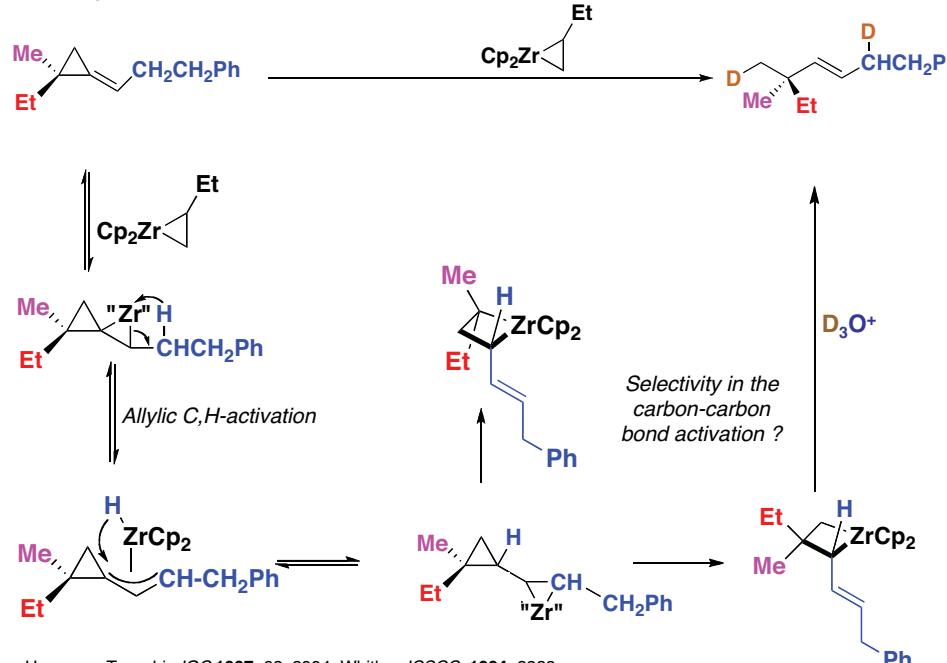
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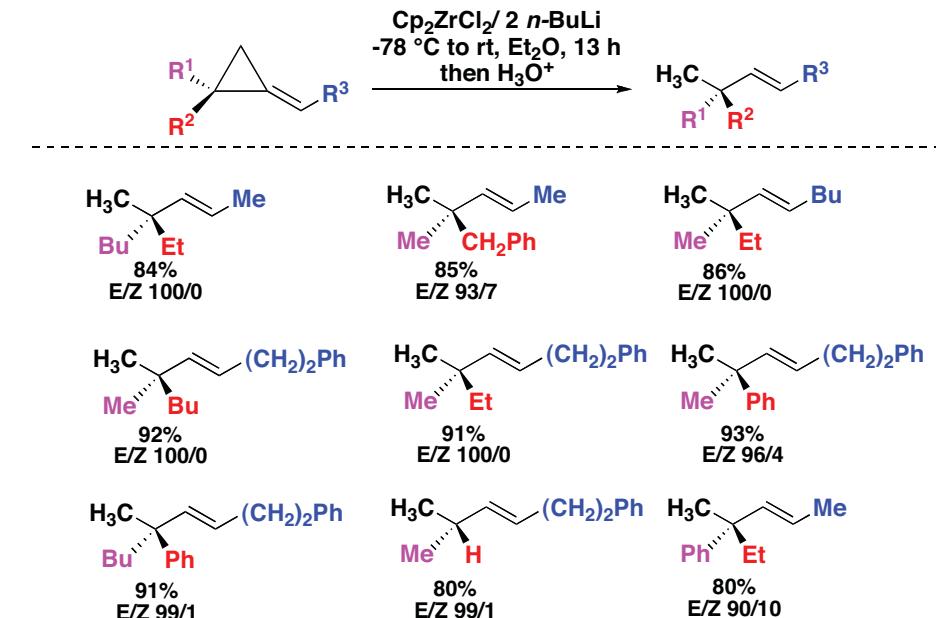


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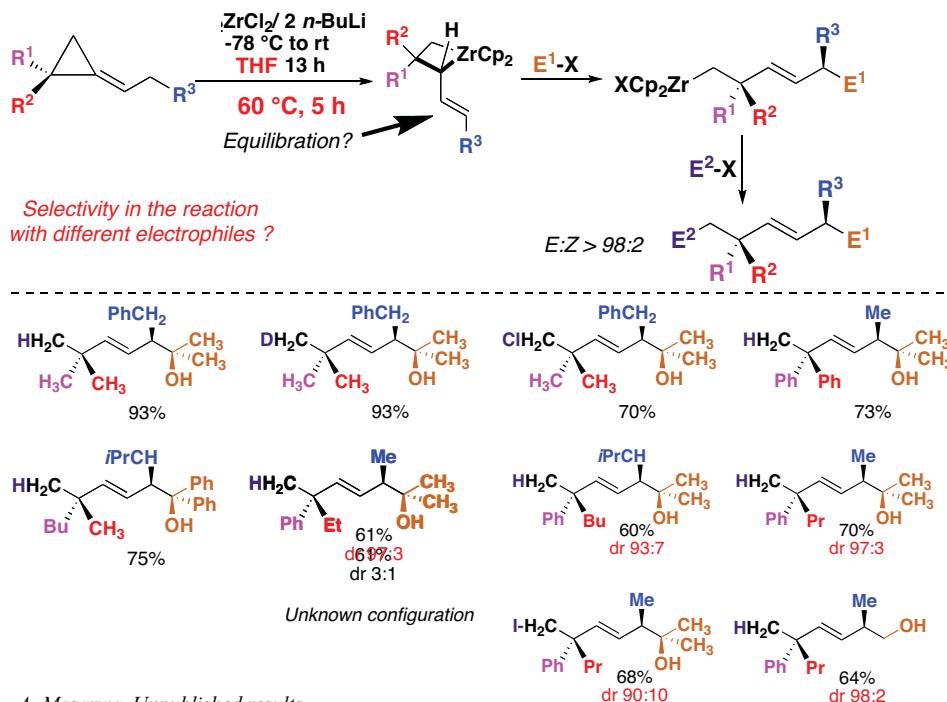


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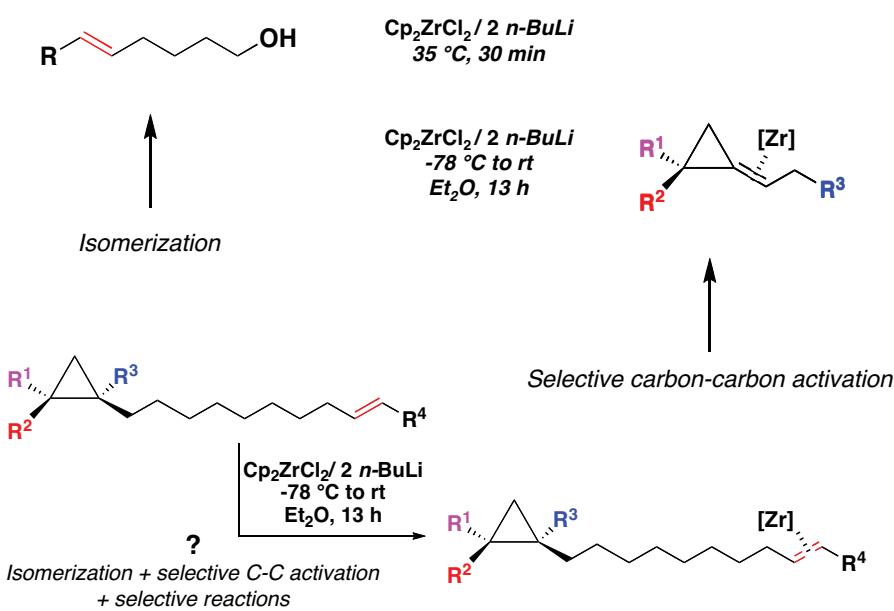
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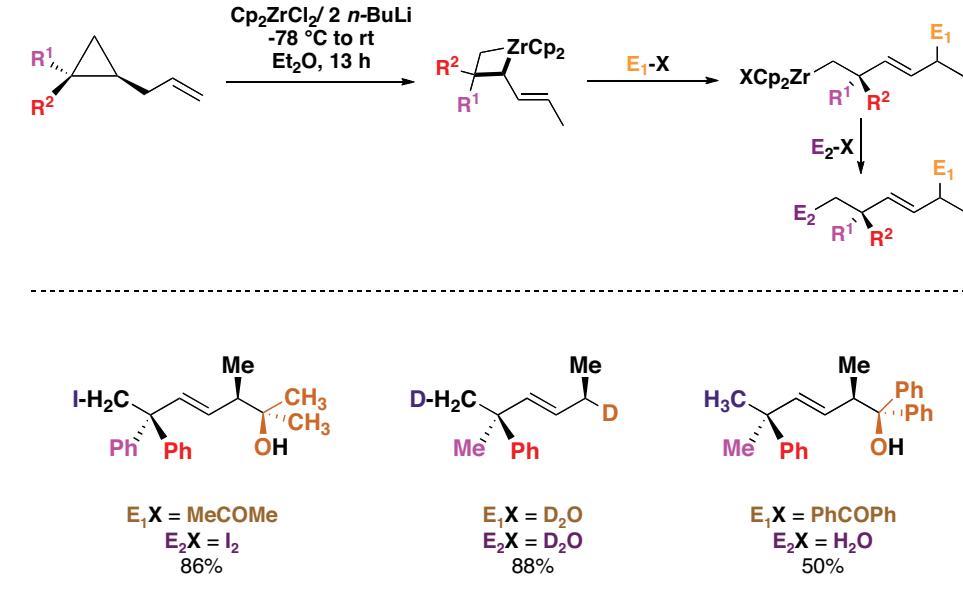
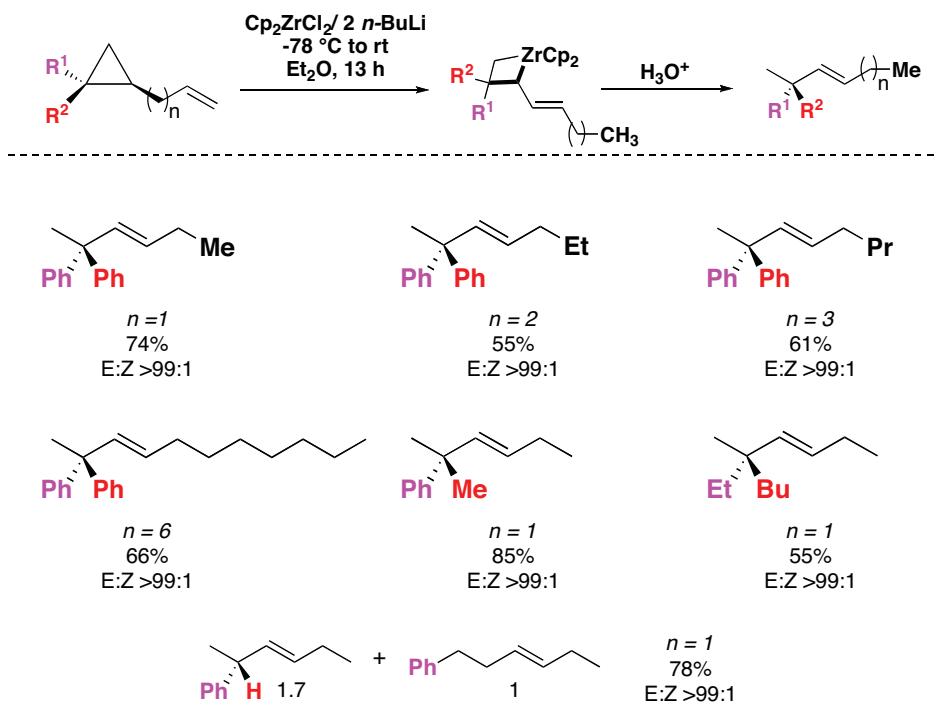


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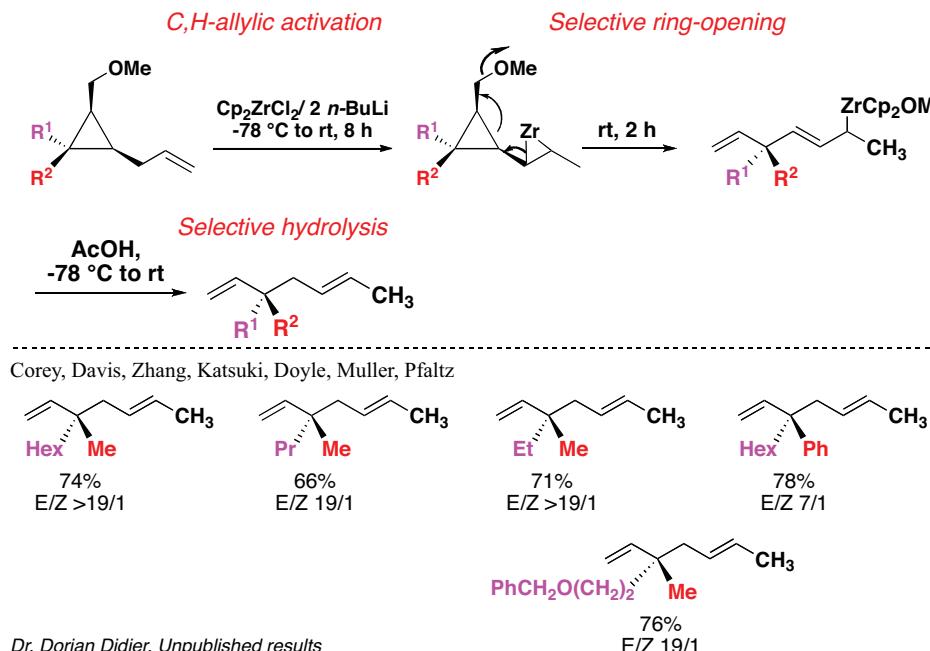
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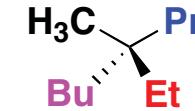
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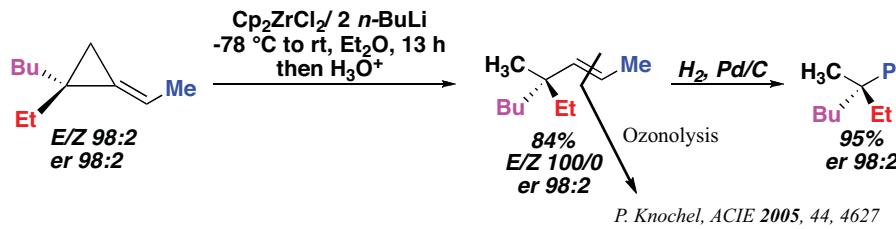
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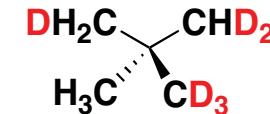
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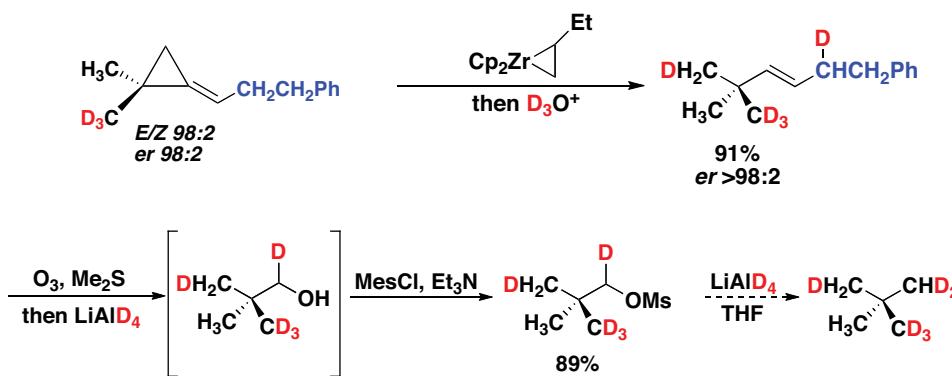
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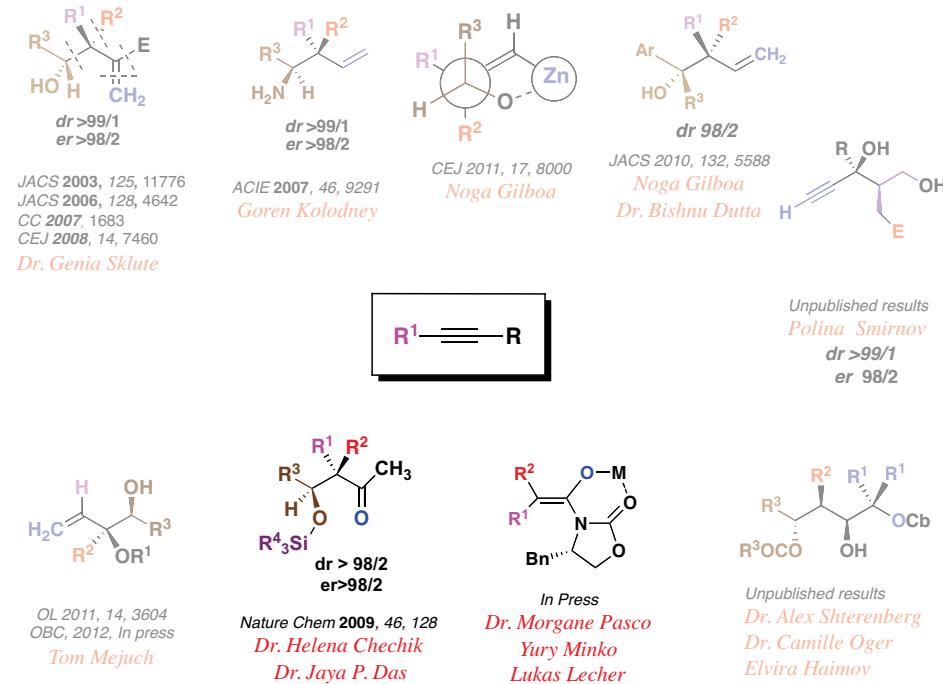


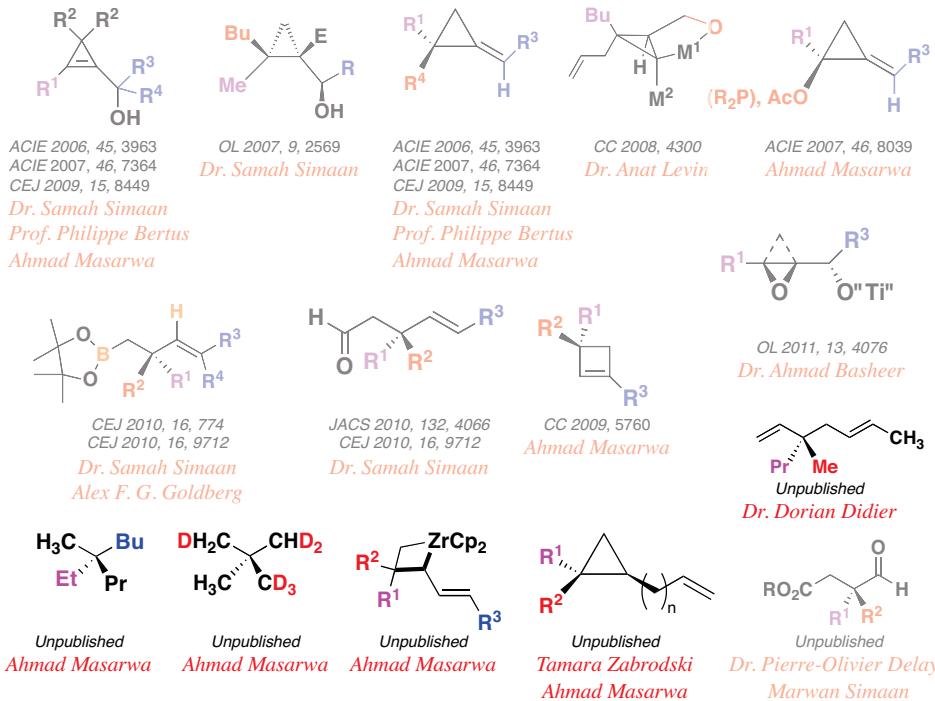
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Haesler, Schindelholz, Riguet, Bochet, Hug, Nature, 2007, 446, 526

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