

When Aminocatalysis Meets the Vinylogy Principle

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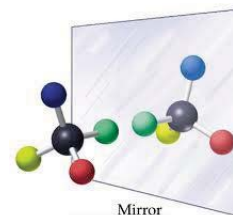
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Stereochemistry is an Essential Dimension of our World



Nature's inherent chirality requires us to create chiral molecules in enantiomerically pure form in order to interact with or modify our world

Enantioselective Catalysis: rationally approaching stereochemistry in an economical, energy-saving, and environmentally benign way

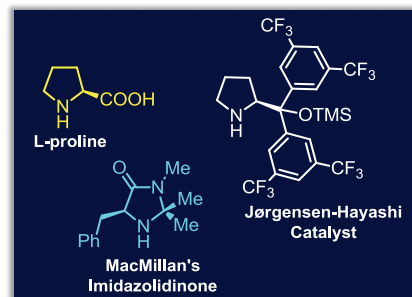
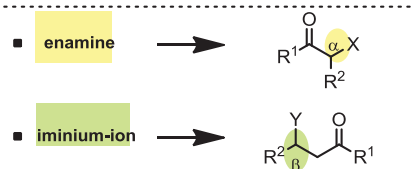
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Asymmetric Aminocatalysis



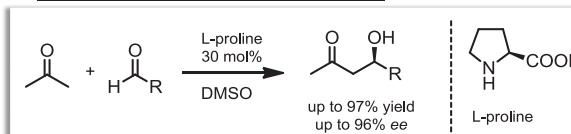
The *work-horses* of enantioselective organocatalysis

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Revolutionizing the way to Asymmetrically Functionalize Carbonyl Compounds

Activation Modes in Aminocatalysis

Proline-catalyzed intermolecular aldol reaction

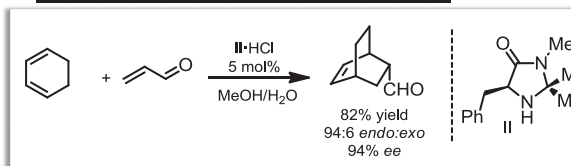


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Enamine Catalysis



Iminium ion catalyzed asymmetric Diels-Alder of enals

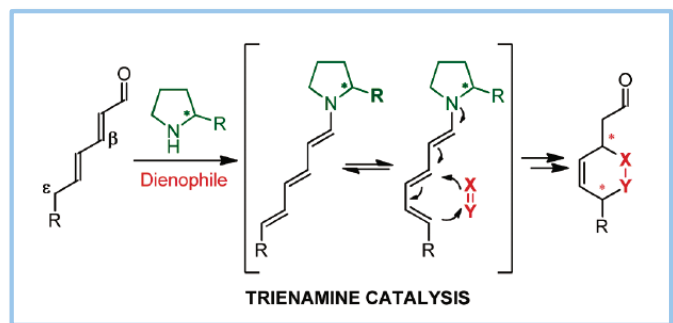


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Iminium-Ion Catalysis



Activation Modes in Aminocatalysis



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Vinylogous Reactivity in Aminocatalysis

Aminocatalytic Activation Modes

LUMO-lowering

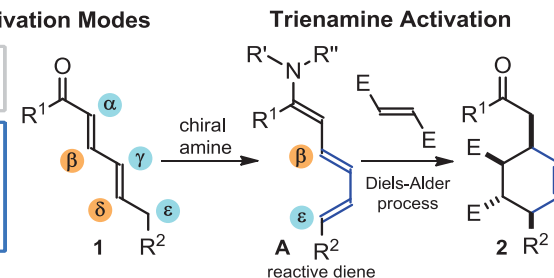
β Iminium ion activation

HOMO-raising

α Enamine/SOMO

γ Dienamine activation

ε Trienamine activation

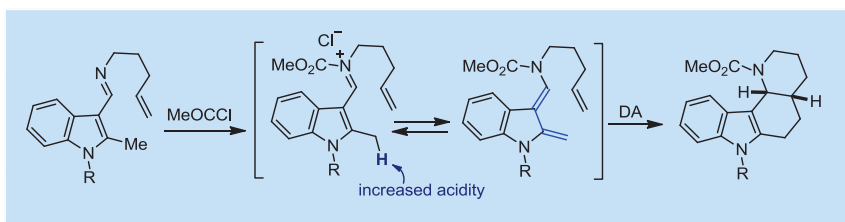
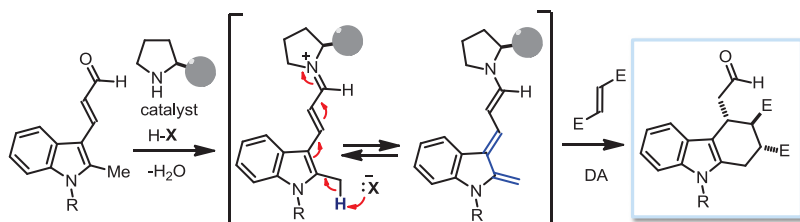


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The transmission of electronic effects through a conjugated π-system

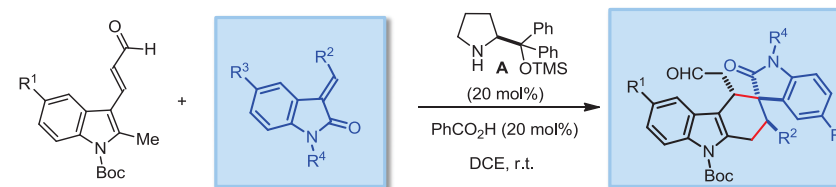
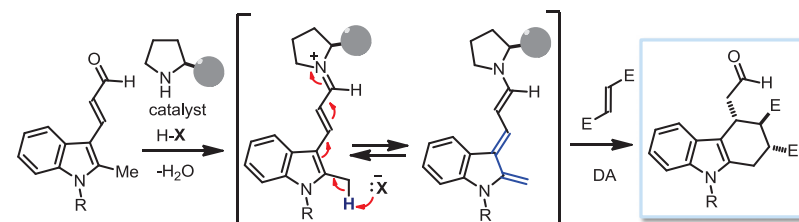
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Revisiting the Indole-2,3-Quinodimethane Strategy

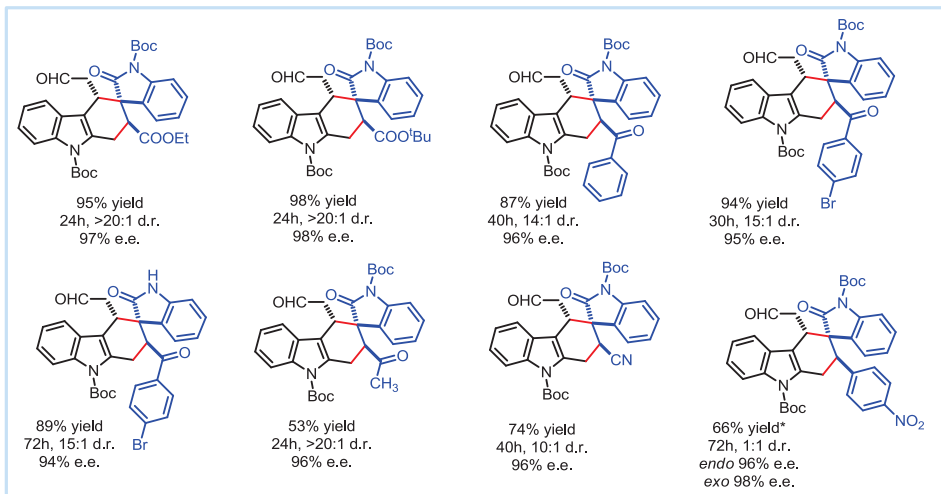
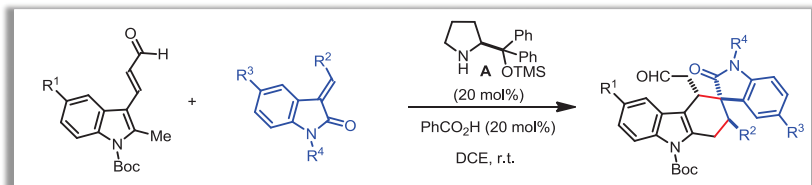


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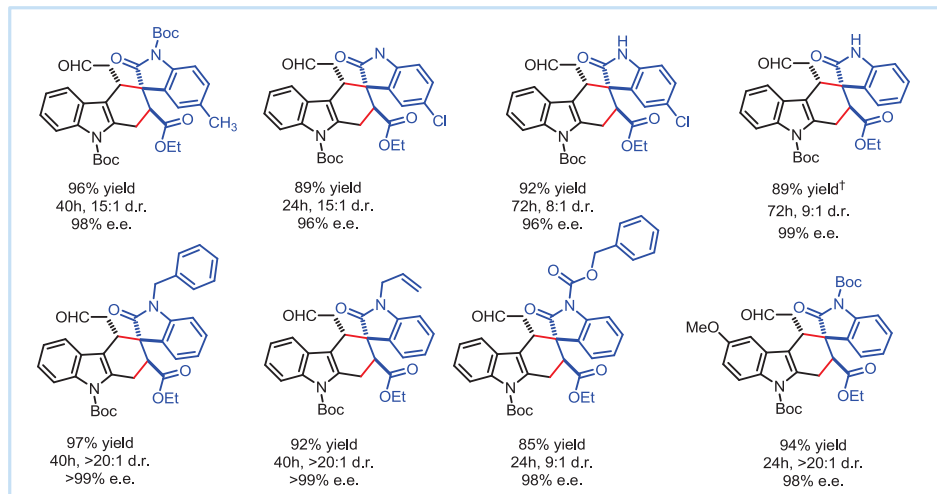
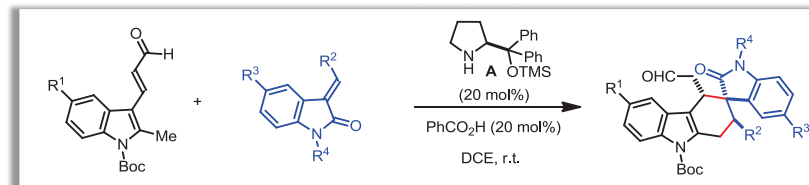
TetrahydroCarbazole Spirooxindoles



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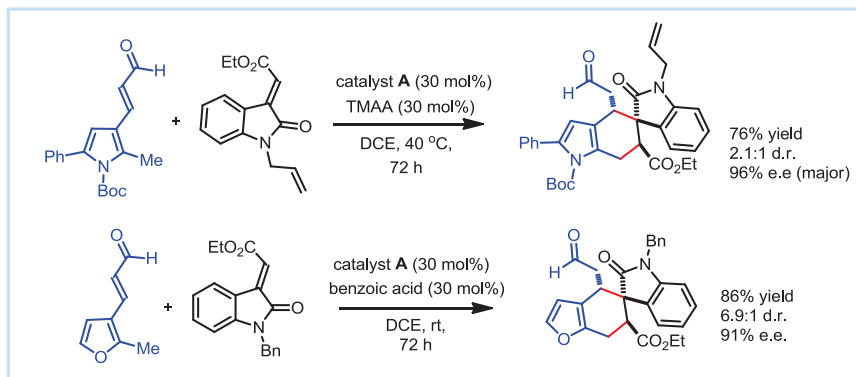
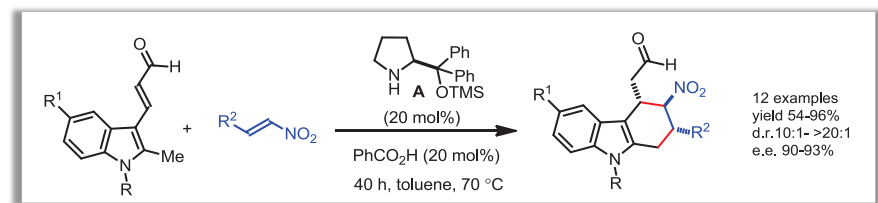


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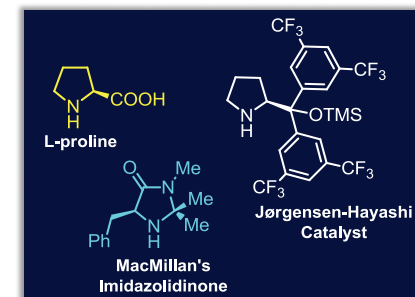
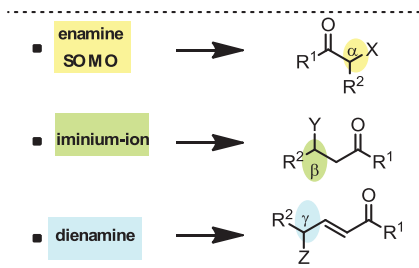
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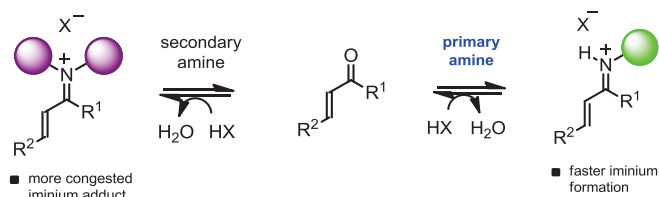
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Developing General & Efficient Catalysts

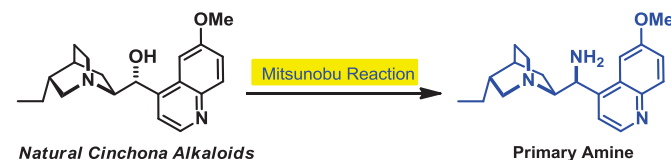
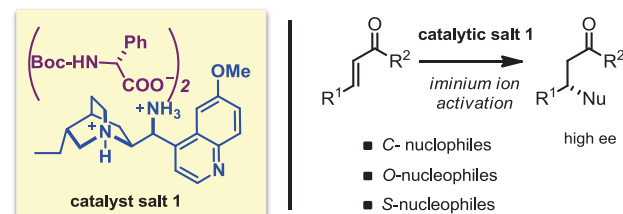
Activation of Challenging Compound Classes



Functionalization of Hindered Carbonyls

Expanding the potential of Aminocatalysis beyond Aldehyde Functionalization

Cinchona-based Primary Amines



The first applications:

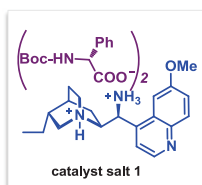
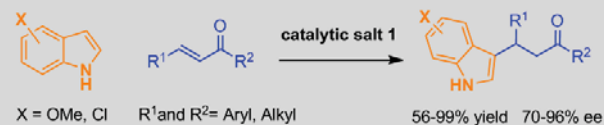
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A Novel Iminium Activator of Enones

FRIEDEL-CRAFTS ALKYLATION OF INDOLES



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ASYMMETRIC β-HYDROXYLATION



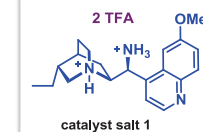
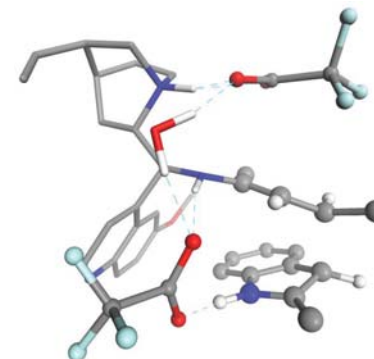
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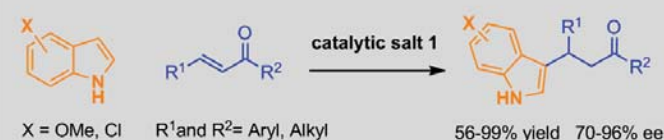
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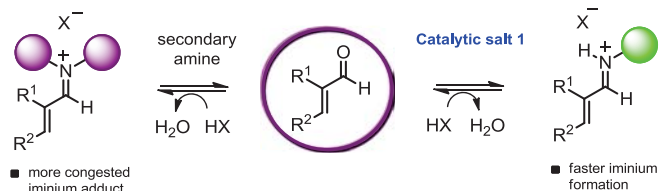
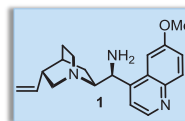
Major Enantiomer

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Developing General & Efficient Catalysts Activation of Challenging Compound Classes

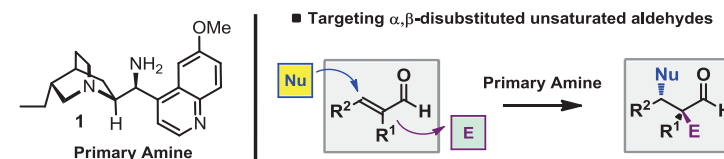


Functionalization of α -Branched Unsaturated Aldehydes

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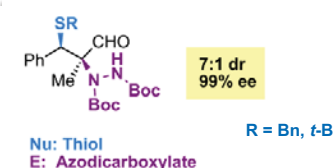
Organocascade with α -Branched Enals



One-step, Direct Creation of Adjacent
Quaternary and Tertiary Stereocenters



Aryl-Amination

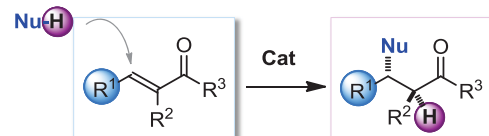


Thio-Amination

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The next Target

α -branched enones



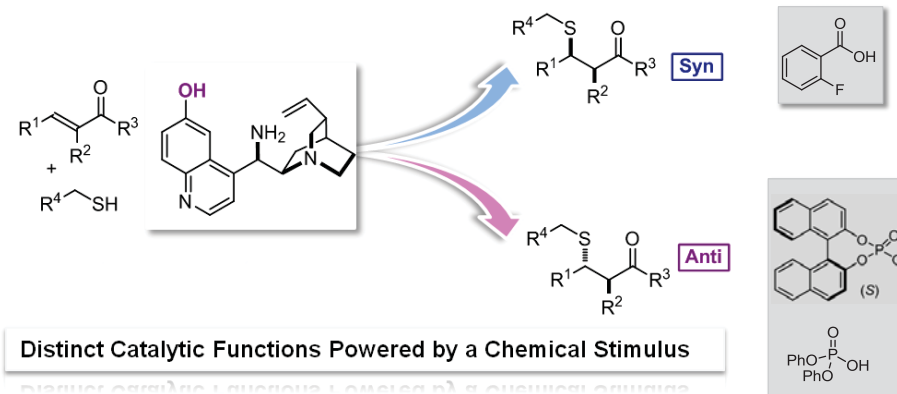
Nucleophilic Addition to α -Branched Enones generates 2 Stereocenters

Challenging Target in Asymmetric Synthesis:

access the full matrix of all possible stereoisomeric products



Toward a Programmable Chiral Organic Catalyst



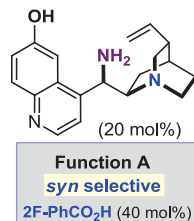
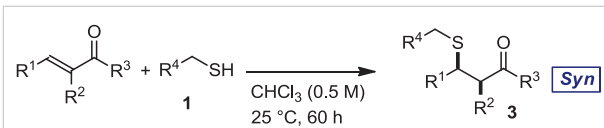
Distinct Catalytic Functions Powered by a Chemical Stimulus

A Programmable Chiral Organic Catalyst for Selecting Stereodivergent
Chemical Pathways

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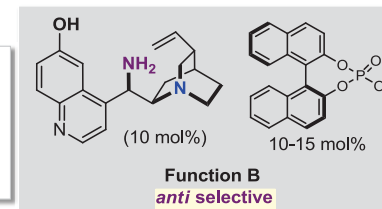
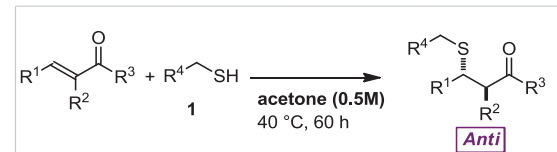
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Syn-selective SMA of α -branched enones



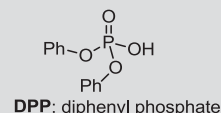
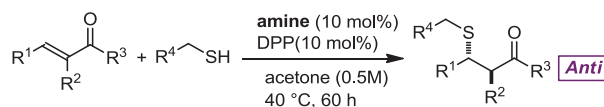
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Me	Me	Me	Ph	68	5.1:1	86
4NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	79	5.1:1	88
Ph	Me	Me	Ph	54	3.5:1	85
4Br-C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	60	3.8:1	89
4NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	Et	Me	Ph	68	9.3:1	87
4NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	Me	Et	Ph	40	5.0:1	81
Et	Ph	Me	Ph	60	2.8:1	73
Me	Me	Me	4MeO-C ₆ H ₄	56	4.9:1	90
Me	Me	Me	4Cl-C ₆ H ₄	65	5.0:1	89
Me	Me	Me	CH=CH ₂	60	7.8:1	87
Me	Me	Me	CO ₂ Et	68	5.5:1	61

Anti-selective SMA of α -branched enones

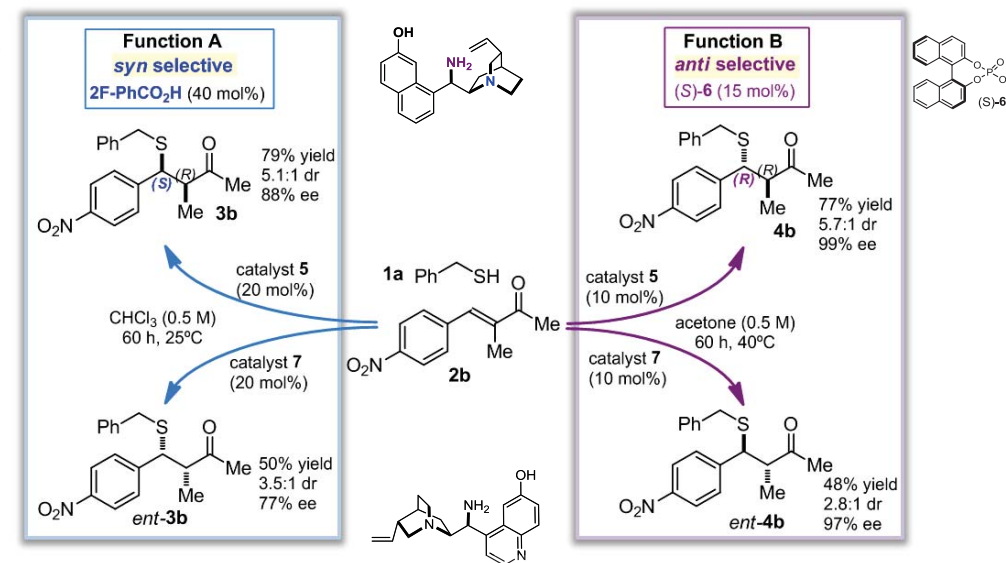


R ¹	R ²	R ³	R ⁴	% yield	anti:syn	% ee _{anti}
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4NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	77	5.7:1	99
CH ₂ Bn	Me	Me	Ph	69	8.2:1	97
Ph	Me	Me	Ph	41	5.2:1	99
4NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	Et	Me	Ph	35	1.8:1	98
4MeO-C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	42	4.2:1	96
4Br-C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	59	6.5:1	99
4Cl-C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	58	5.3:1	99
2-thiophenyl	Me	Me	Ph	44	4.2:1	98
CO ₂ Et	Me	Me	Ph	56	5.2:1	96
Me	Me	Me	4MeO-C ₆ H ₄	42	7.2:1	98
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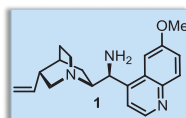
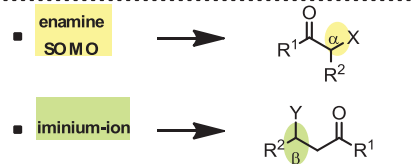


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4NO ₂ -C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	56 (77)	4.7:1 (5.7:1)	96 (99)
Ph	Me	Me	Ph	44 (41)	5.1:1 (5.2:1)	95 (99)
4Br-C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	38 (59)	6.3:1 (6.5:1)	96 (99)
4Cl-C ₆ H ₄	Me	Me	Ph	59 (58)	5.3:1 (5.3:1)	98 (99)
Me	Me	Me	4MeO-C ₆ H ₄	42 (68)	7.0:1 (7.2:1)	98 (98)
Me	Me	Me	4Cl-C ₆ H ₄	71 (58)	4.2:1 (7.1:1)	97 (94)
Me	Me	Me	CO ₂ Et	65 (50)	2.0:1 (2.4:1)	83 (92)



A Single Catalyst able to fully control the stereochemical outcome of the SMA reaction

Aminocatalytic Activations



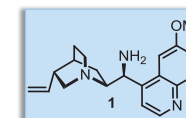
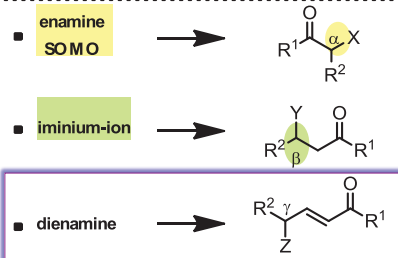
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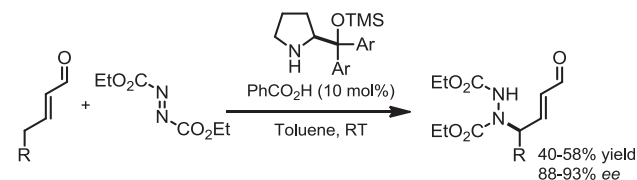
About the Asymmetric Functionalisation of Carbonyls
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Aminocatalytic Activations



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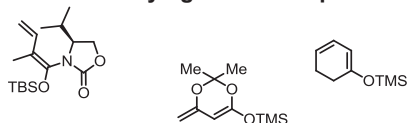


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Functionalizing γ -Position

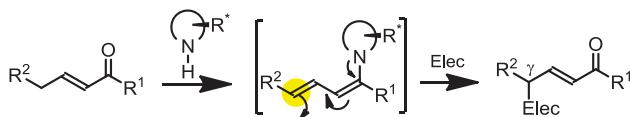
Challenges connected with the γ -Functionalization

- Site-selectivity
- Stoichiometric pre-activation of the vinylogous nucleophilic components (dienolate equivalents)



Solution: Dienamine Catalysis

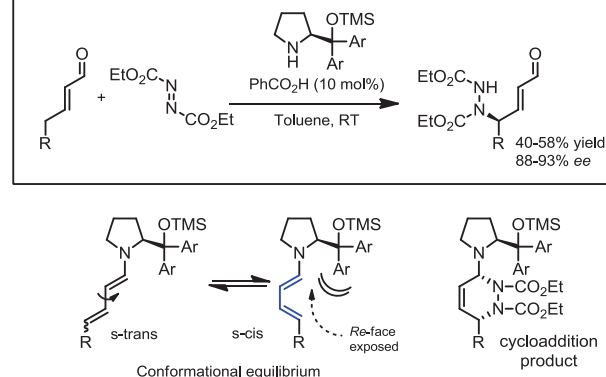
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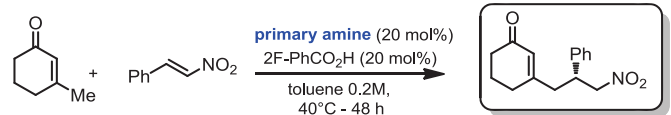
why Dienamine Catalysis is not considered a generic mode of activation?

- follow a [4+2] cycloaddition path instead of a more generalizable nucleophilic addition manifold
- α -site selective alkylation step via enamine catalysis

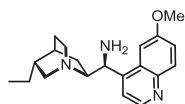
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Expanding the potential of Dienamine Catalysis

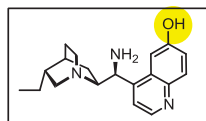
Direct Vinylogous Michael Addition



γ -site selective pathway



90% yield, 82% ee

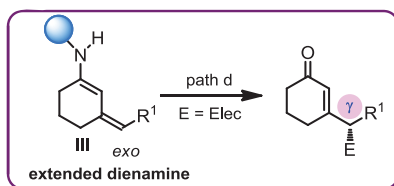


77% yield, 98% ee

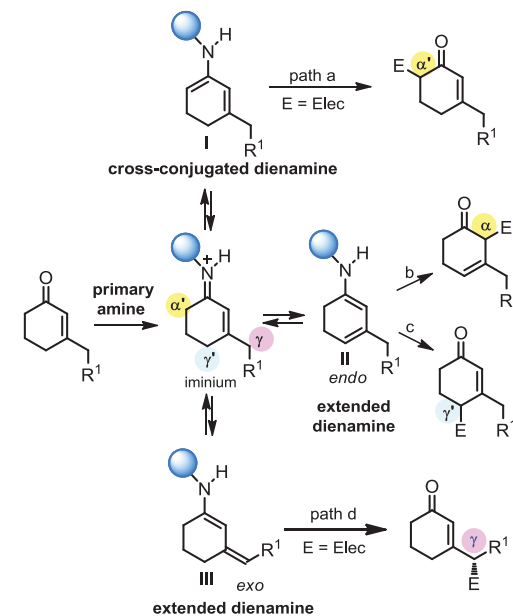
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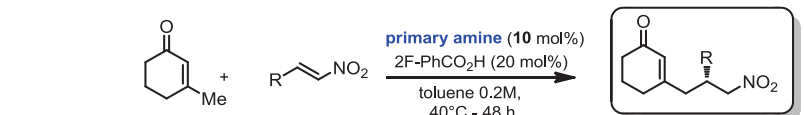
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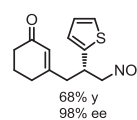
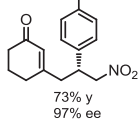
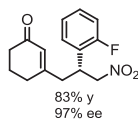
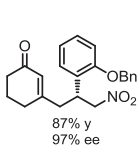
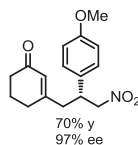
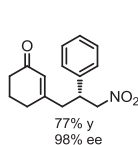
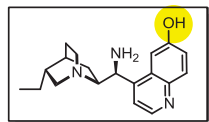
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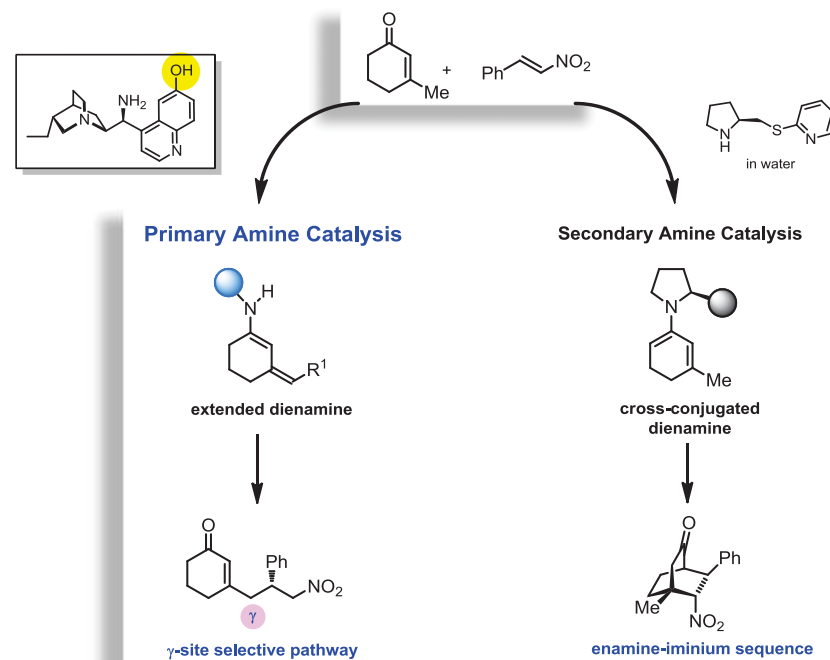
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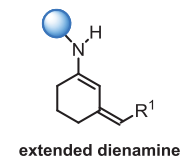
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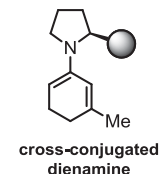


Primary Amine Catalysis



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Secondary Amine Catalysis

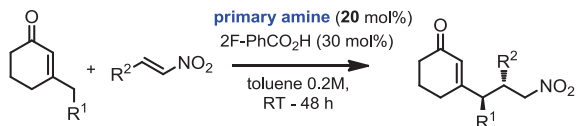


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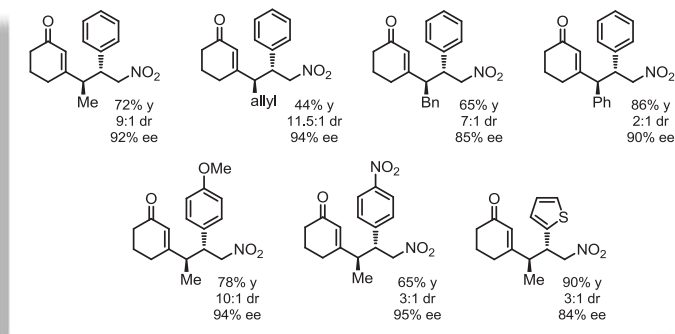
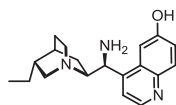
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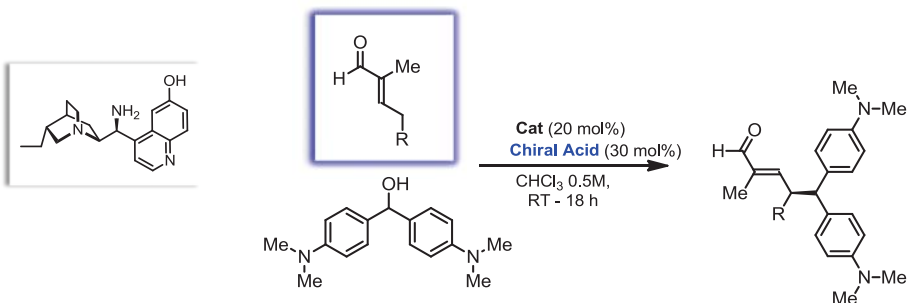


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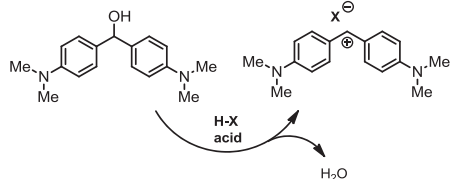
Expanding the Scope of Dienamine Catalysis
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The γ -Alkylation of Unsaturated Aldehydes



TFA as the acid: ee in the range of the 60's

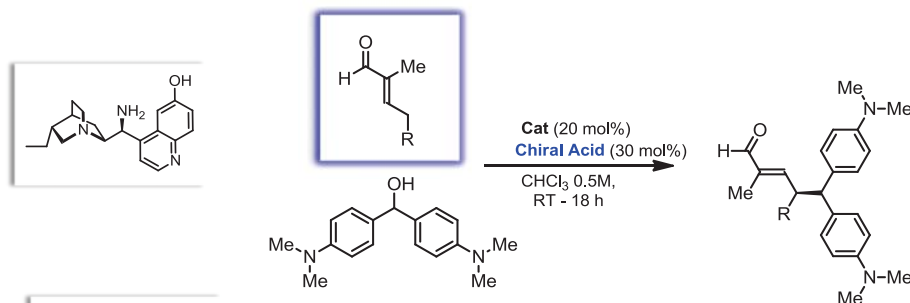
Can we use a Chiral Acid?



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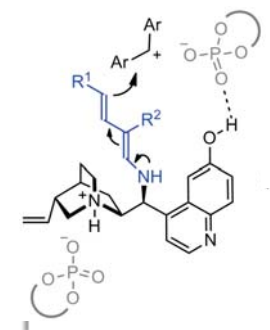
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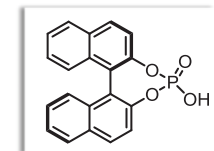
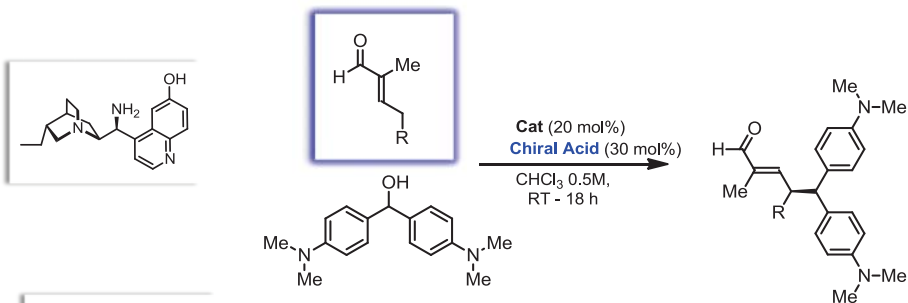


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Cooperative Dual Catalysis:
Dienamine & Brønsted Acid Catalysis



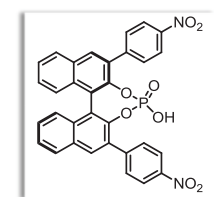
The γ -Alkylation of Unsaturated Aldehydes



R = Bn
82%y, 90% ee

R = Allyl
91%y, 87% ee

R = Ph
63%y, 90% ee

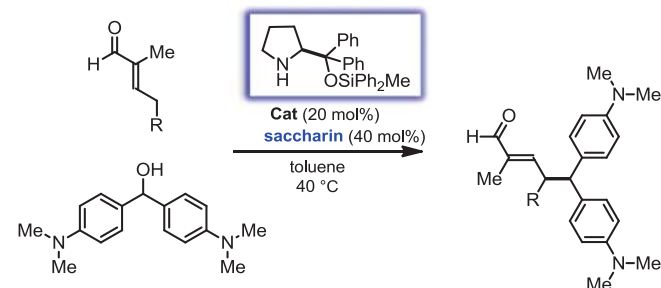


R = Bn
84%y, 95% ee

R = Allyl
65%y, 94% ee

with G. Bergonzini & S. Vera,
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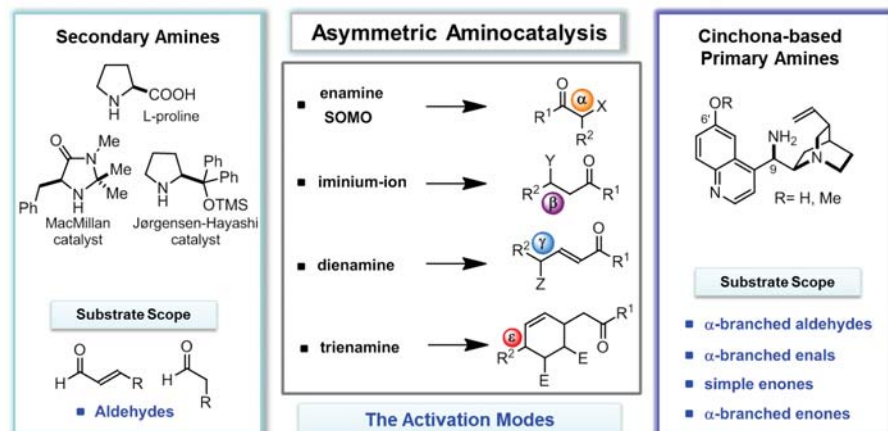


with M. Silvi & C. Cassani,
Unpublished results

9 examples: 40-84% yield; 87-96% ee

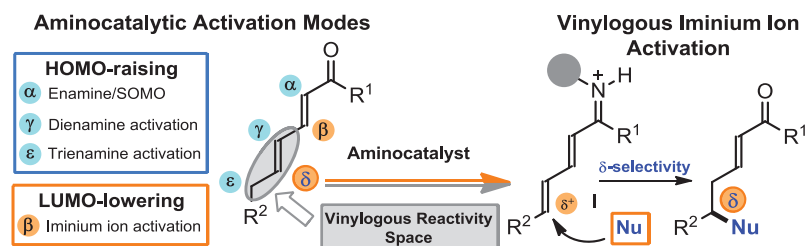
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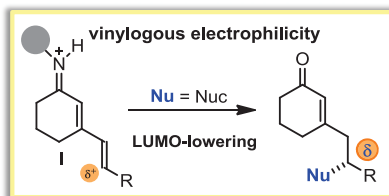
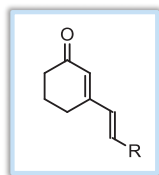
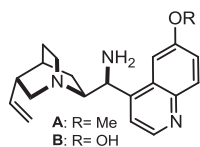


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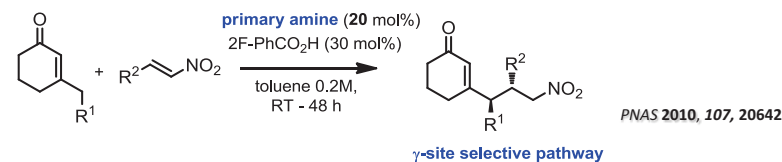
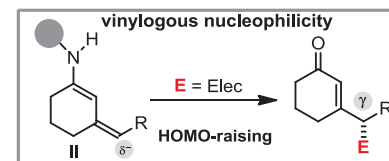
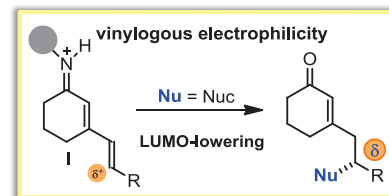
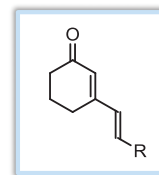
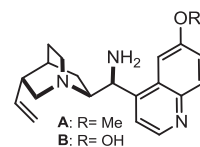
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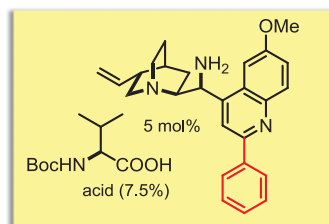
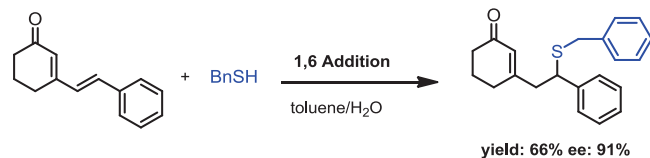
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A Step Further... the δ-Functionalization via 1,6 Addition



1,6-Additions

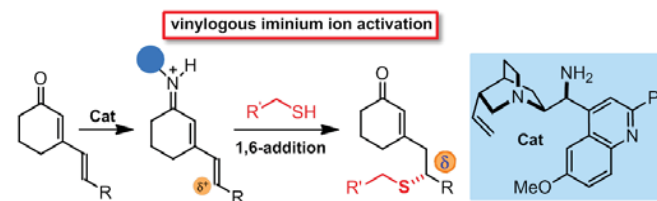
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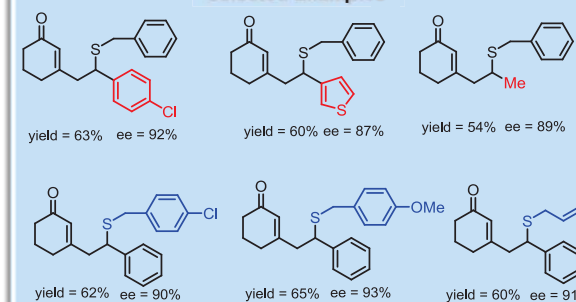
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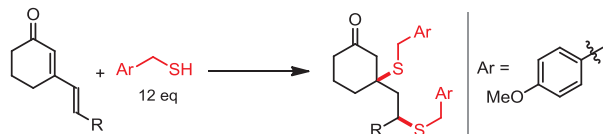
14 examples: 51-70% yield; 87-93% ee

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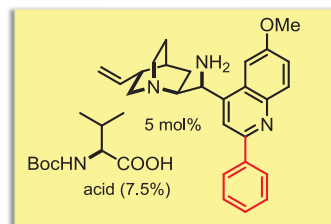
Selected Examples



Cascade Reactions by Sequential Iminium Ion Activation



5 examples: 4:1 dr; 95-97% ee



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