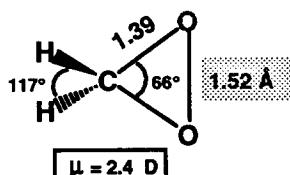
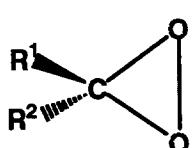
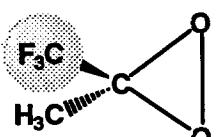


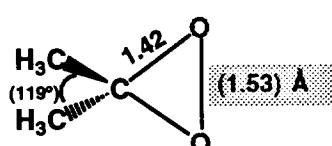
Dioxiranes: a New Class of Powerful O-atom Transfer Agents



From gas phase MW Spectra
Suenram, Lovas JACS 1978, 5117



TFD



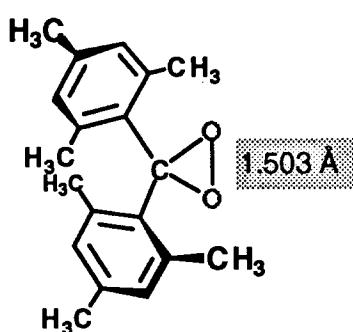
DMD

Theor. Calcs
Cremer, Schindler, Chem.Phys.Lett. 1987, 293

Cf., O-O bond common peroxides 1.44-1.50 Å

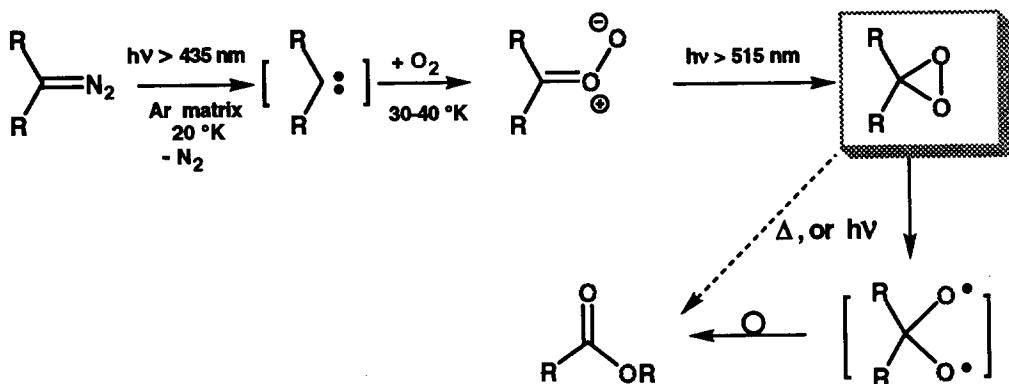
Isolated by synthesis in matrices, organic glasses, or solution

Dimesityldioxirane
mp 62-64 °C
separated by HPLC
yield 50-60%
X-ray crystal structure



Sander et al., JACS 1997, 7265

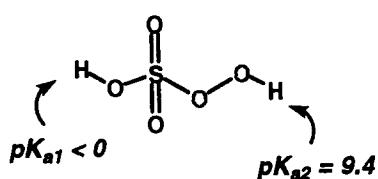
Carbonyl Oxides and Dioxiranes from Oxygenation of Carbenes in Argon Matrices



Sander et al., JACS 1997, 7265

Potassium caroate: an inexpensive inorganic peracid

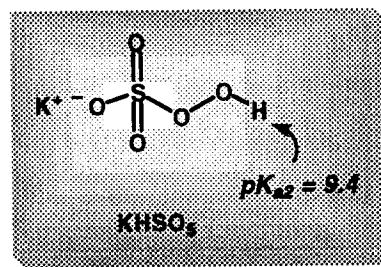
Peroxymonosulfuric Acid
(Caro's Acid)



Industrial price: ca.. \$ 4. / kg

Commercial Bleach
Triple Salt

Potassium Peroxymonosulfate
(Potassium Caroate)



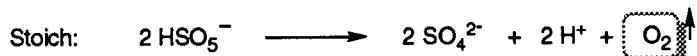
OXONE®(DuPont); CAROAT®(Degussa); CUROX®(Peroxide Chemie)

$(n\text{-Bu}_4\text{N}^+)(\text{Oxone})$

soluble in CH_2Cl_2

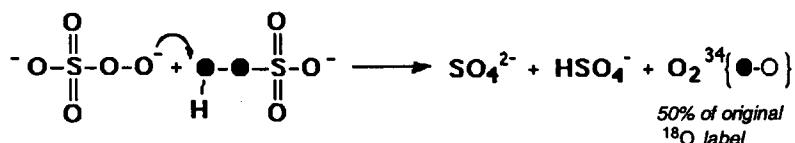
Trost, Braslaw JOC 1988, 532.

Uncatalysed "Non-radical" Decomposition of Caroate



Rate law: $R = k_2^d [\text{HSO}_5^-][\text{SO}_5^{2-}]$ overall second order
in peroxide

Mechanism:



Edwards, *Inorg. Chim. Acta Rev.* 1968, 53 and refs.

Ketone-catalysed Caroate Decomposition

pH 9., at 25 °C

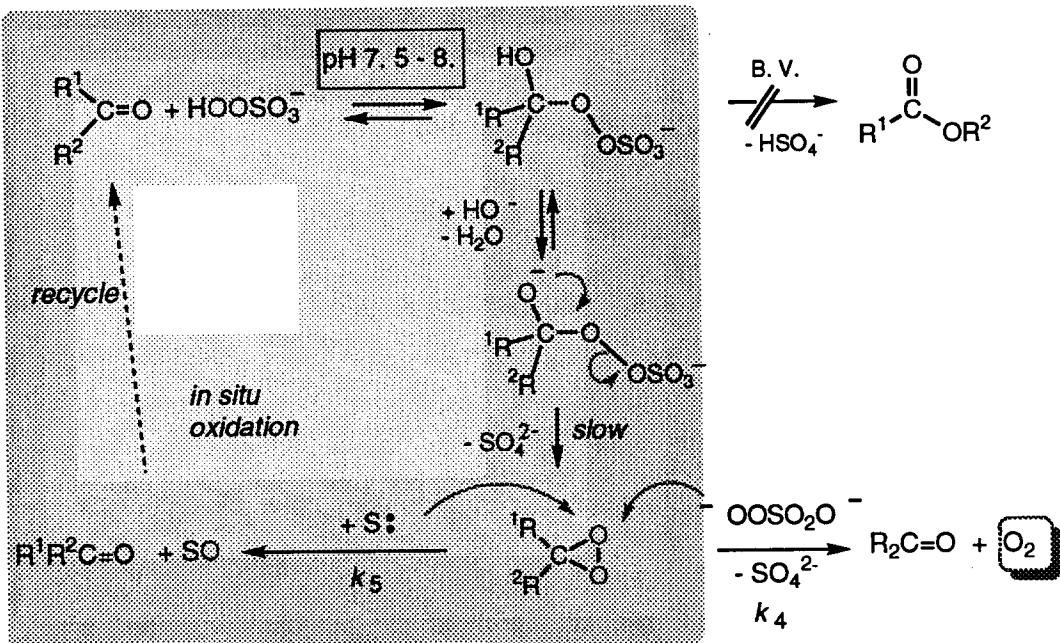
Ketone	Rel. Rate
none	< 0.1
	1.0
	9.4
	1440.
	- 6000.*

Ketone not consumed and it can be recovered unchanged,
unless it has certain structural features (e.g. cyclobutanone).

Curci In *Advances in Oxygenated Processes* ; JAI Press: 1990; Vol. 2, Chapter 1.
Montgomery *JACS* 1974, 7820

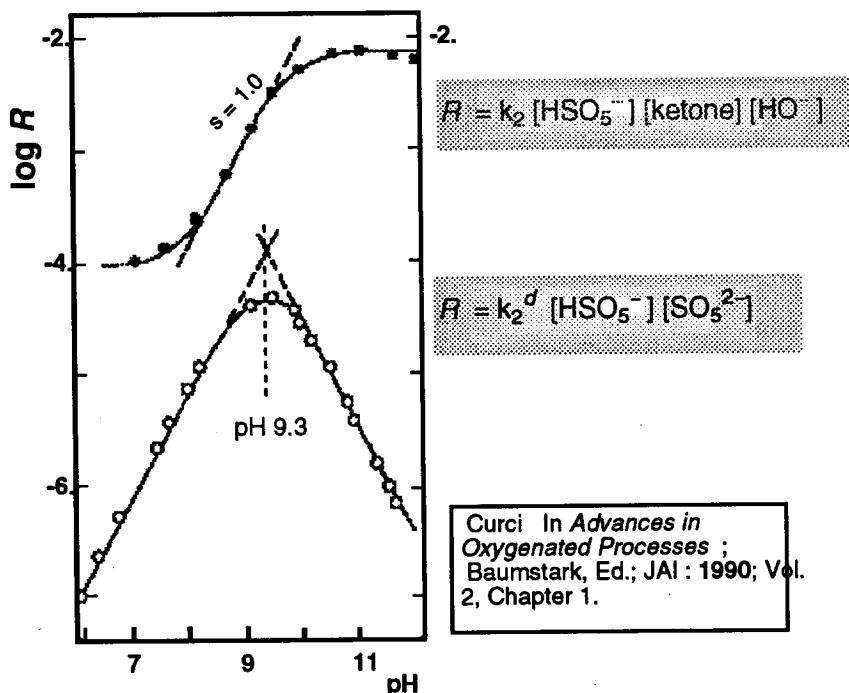
* Newly introduced by Denmark et al.: *JOC* 1998, 2810

Oxidation of Donor Substrates by Dioxirane *in situ*
from Ketone/Caroate

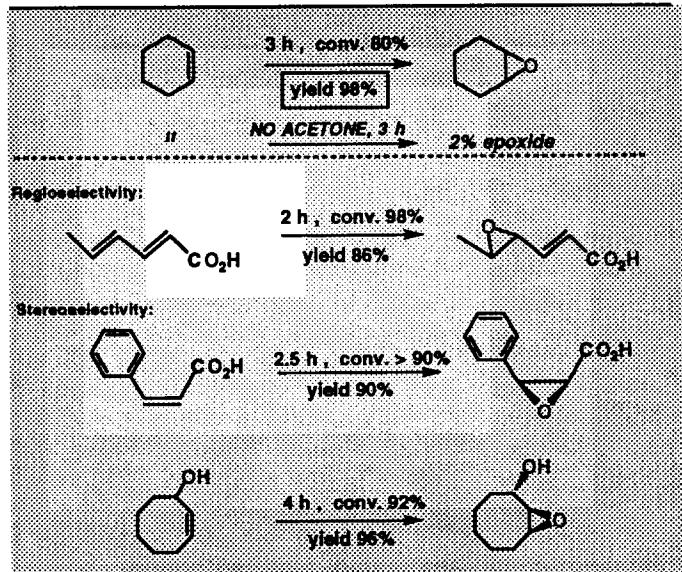


Edwards, Curci et al. *Photochem. Photobiol.* 1979, 63.
Curci In *Advances in Oxygenated Processes* ; JAI Press: 1990; Vol. 2, Chapter 1.

Dependence from pH and Rate Law for the Uncatalysed (25 °C) and
for the Cyclohexanone-catalysed Caroate Decomposition (28° C).

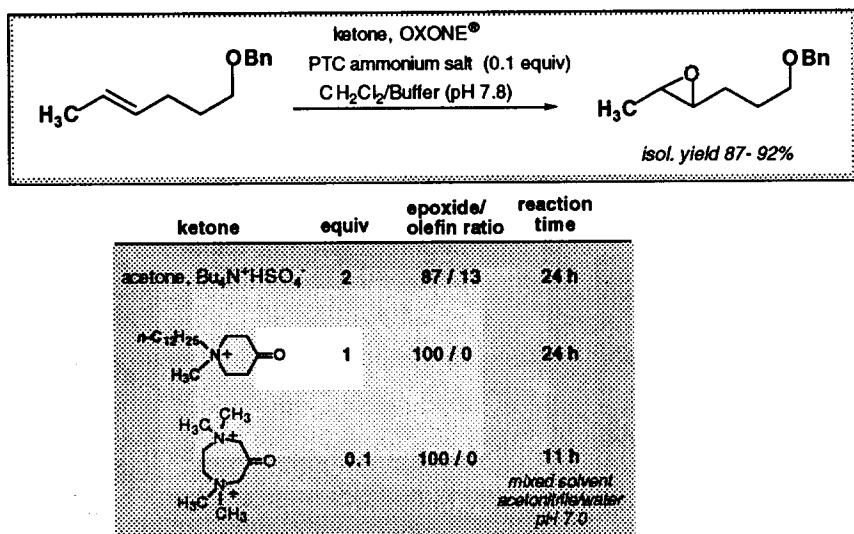


Epoxidations by Dimethyldioxirane *In Situ* (from Acetone and Caroate)
 in Water or Water (pH 7. -7.5) / CH₂Cl₂ Biphasic System Bu₄N⁺HSO₄⁻ (PTC),
 at 2 - 10 °C



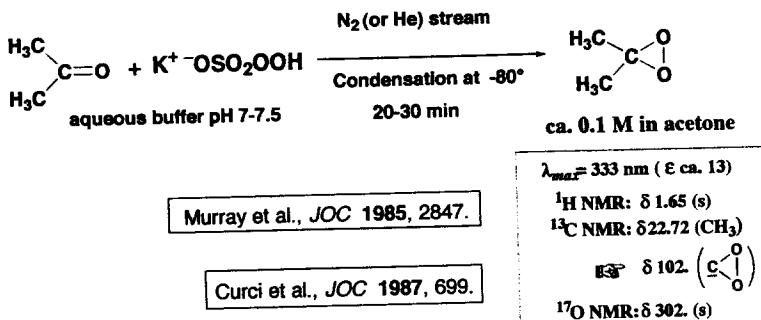
Curci et al. JOC 1980, 4758; 1982, 2670

Example of Optimization of Alkene Epoxidation by Dioxirane *In Situ*.
 Oxidation for (*E*)-6-(Phenylmethoxy)-2-hexene.
 Oxone excess (10 equiv) added during 8 h, at 0°C.

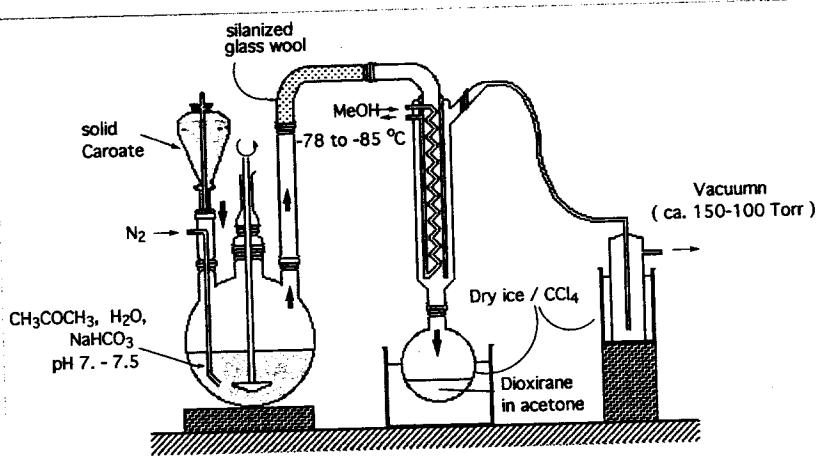


Denmark et al. JOC 1995, 1391; JOC 1998, 2810.

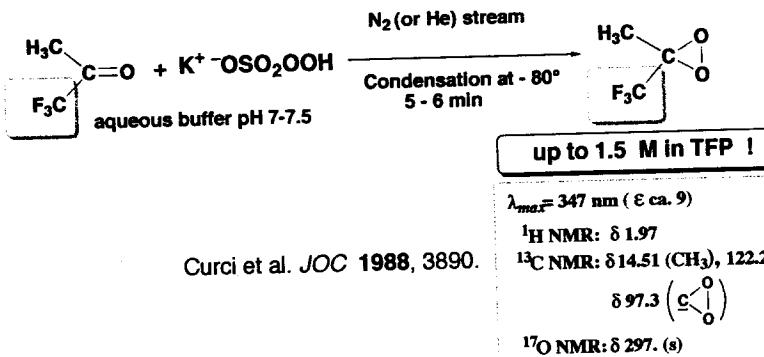
The Isolation of Dioxiranes



Apparatus for Isolation of Dioxiranes

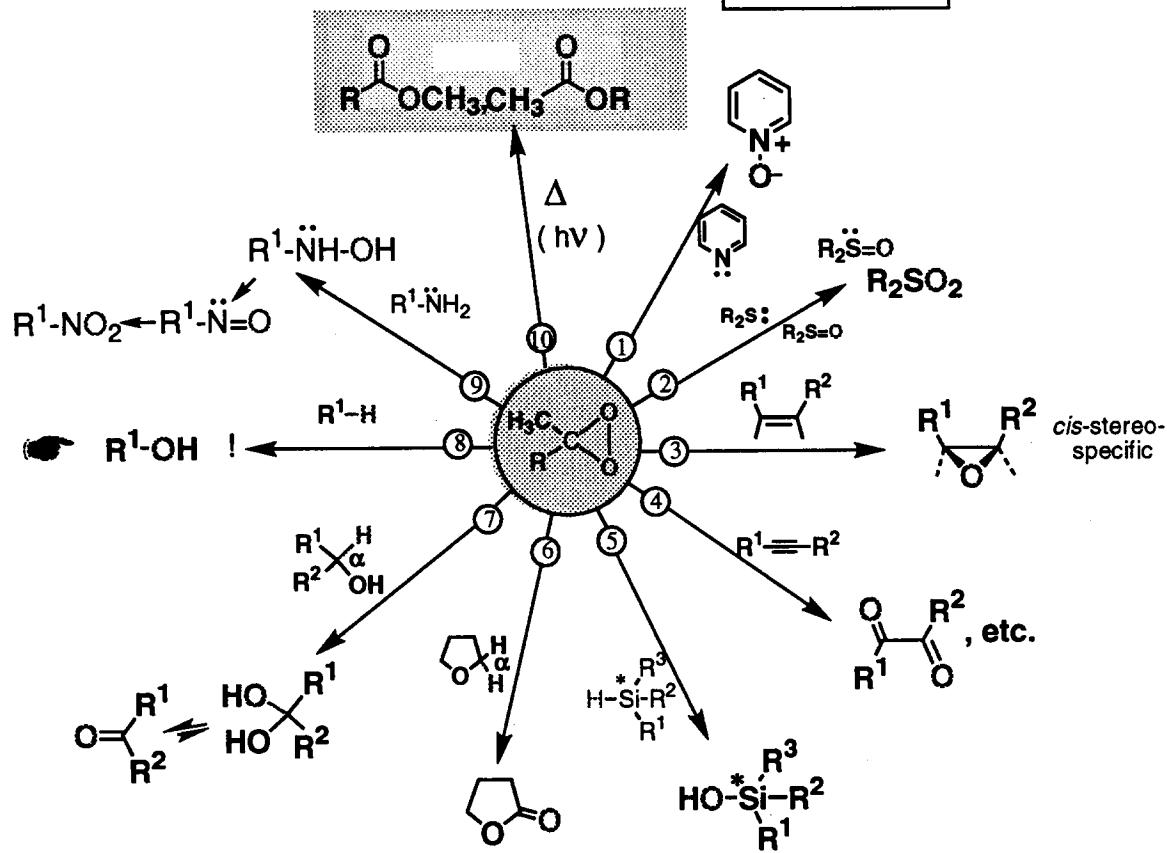


The isolation of Methyl(trifluoromethyl)dioxirane



Outline of Dioxirane Reactivity

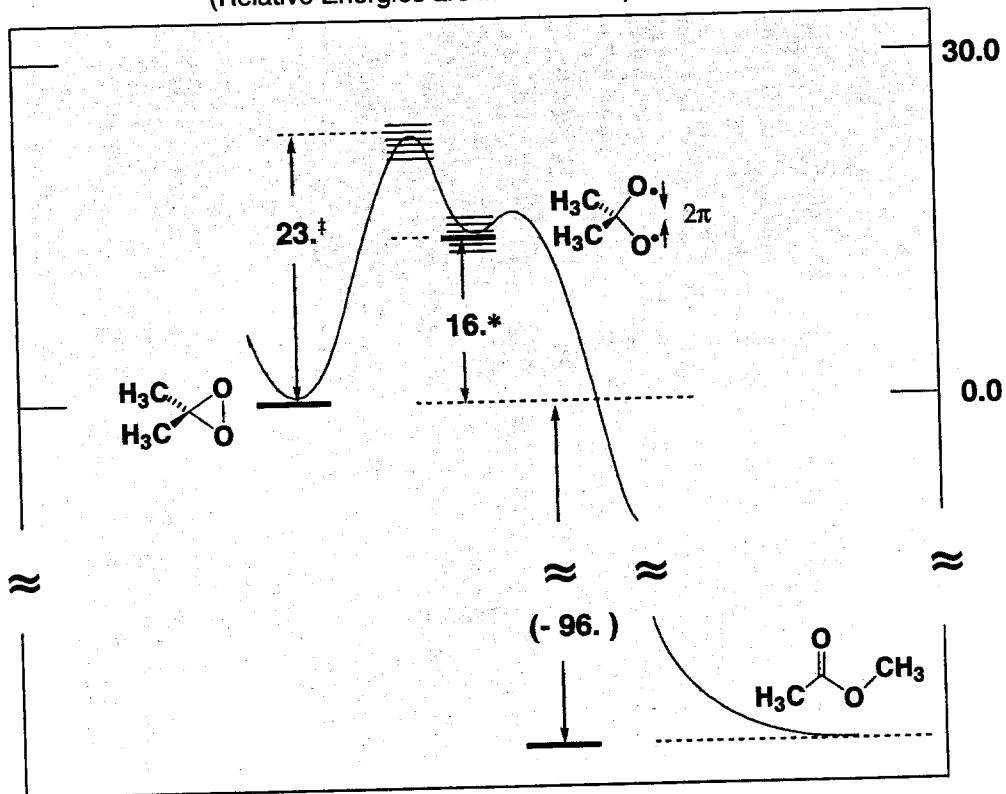
$R = \text{CH}_3$ or CF_3



Most refs., see: (a) Curci et al., *Pure Appl. Chem.* 1995, 811;

(b) Adam, Hadjipapoglu, Curci, Mello in *Organic Peroxides*; Wiley: New York, 1992; Chapter 4.

Energy Diagram for the Interconversion of Dioxirane to Ester via Bisoxymethylene
 (Relative Energies are in kcal mol⁻¹)

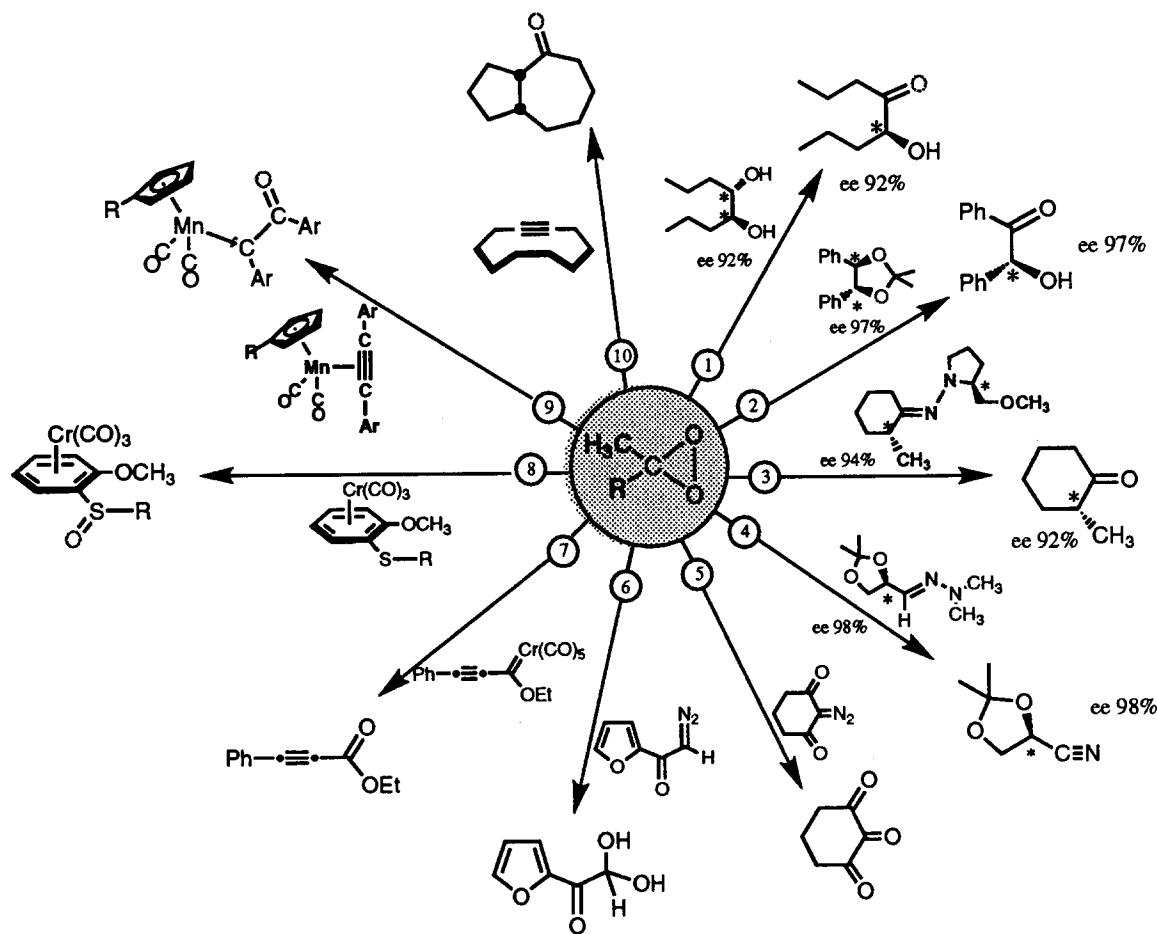


* QCISD(T)/6-311+G(3df,2p)//QCISD/6-31G* : Bach et al., *in press*; see also JACS 1992, 7207.

‡ B3LYP/6-31G(d,p) : Cremer et al. *Chem. Phys. Lett.* 1998, 97.

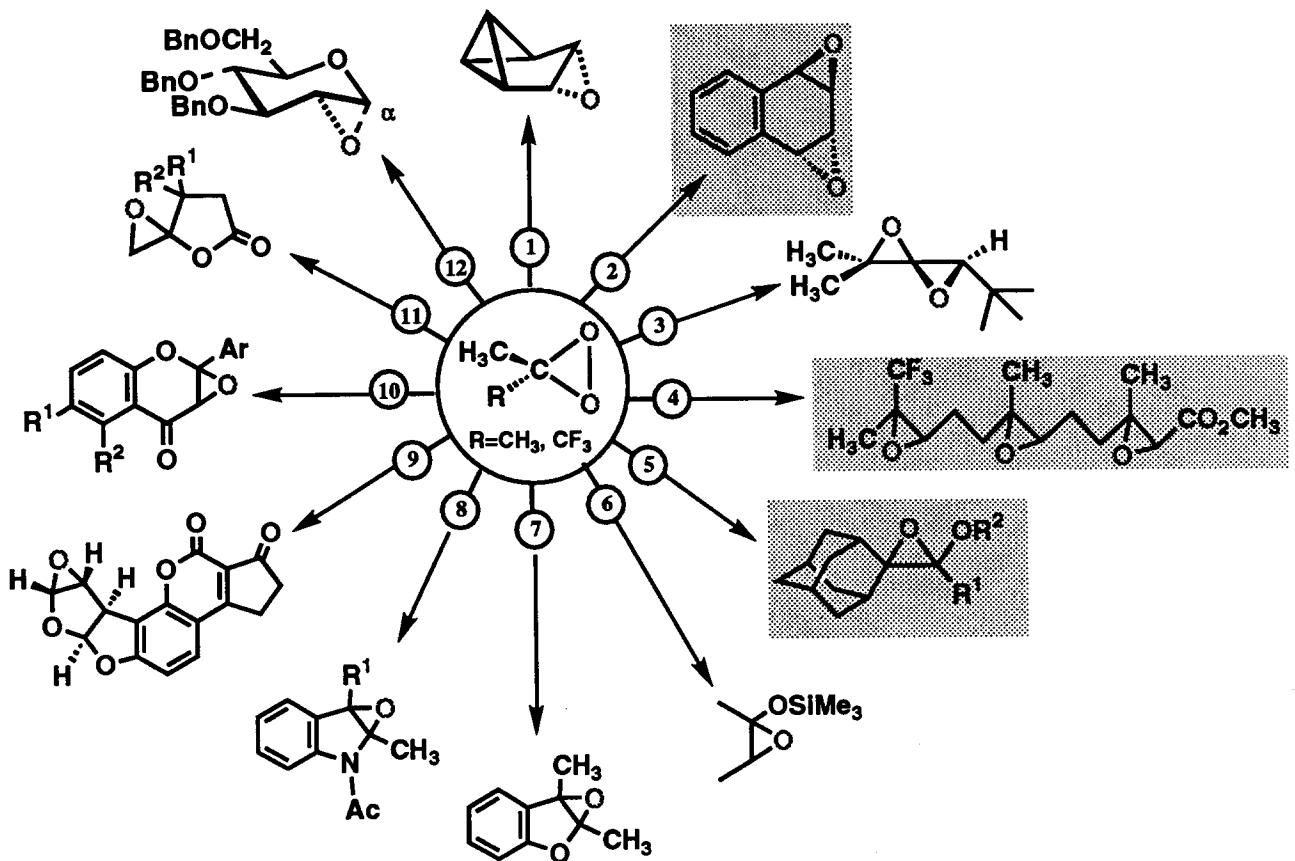
Some Transformations Using Dioxiranes

R = CH₃ or CF₃



Other examples., see: Adam, Hadjiharapoglu in *Topics Curr. Chem.* 1993, 164, 45.

Some Useful Epoxidations Employing Dioxiranes

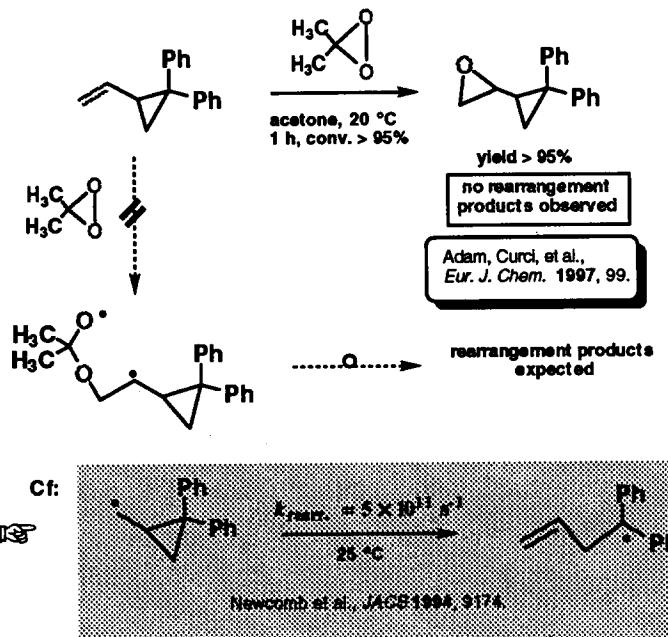


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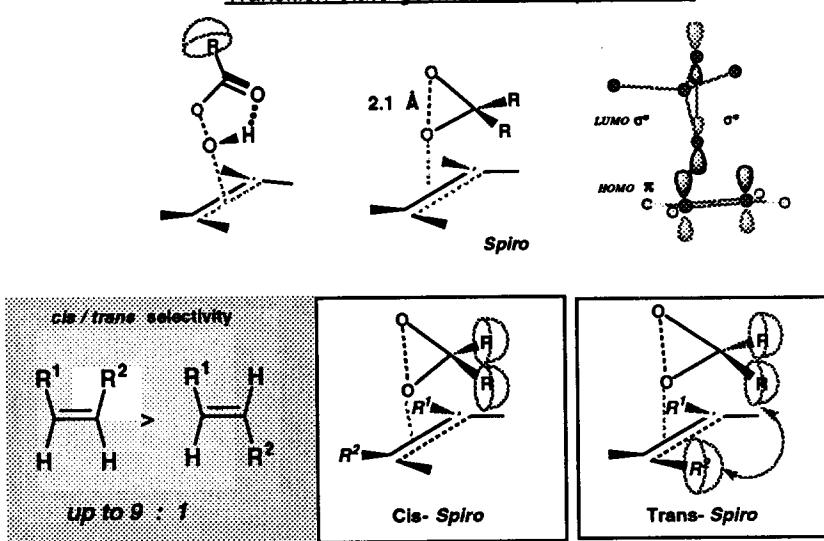
(4) TFD : Curci, Messeguer et al., *Tetrahedron* 1993, 6299

(8) DMD: Zhang, Foote, *JACS* 1993, 8867; Adam et al., *JOC* 1994, 2733.

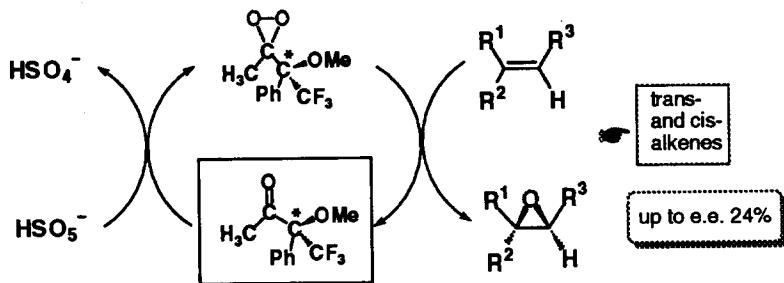
Application of an Ultra-fast Radical Probe to Dioxirane Epoxidation



Transition state geometries for epoxidations

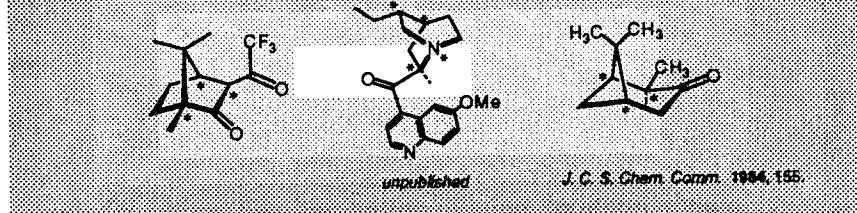


Enantioselective Epoxidations with *In Situ* Dioxiranes



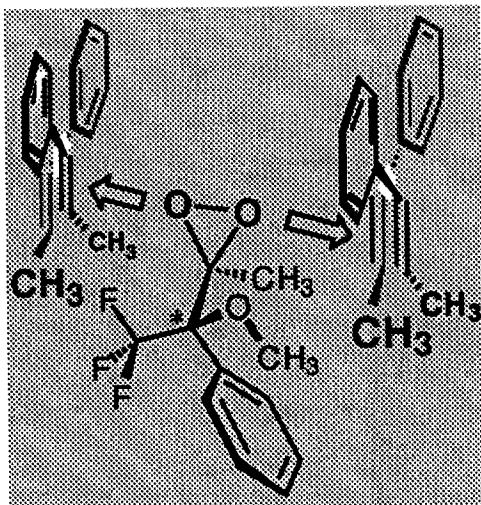
Curci et al. *Tetrahedron* 1995, 5831.

Other ketones tested:



J.C.S. Chem. Commun. 1984, 155.

Facial Selectivity and Competing Approaches of an Olefin to Diastereotopic Peroxide Oxygens of Chiral Dioxirane



* The α electron-withdrawing groups enhance dioxirane reactivity

Some examples of Enantioselective Epoxidation
of trans-Stilbene with *in situ* dioxiranes from Ketone and Caroate
in water/organic cosolvent at 20 °C

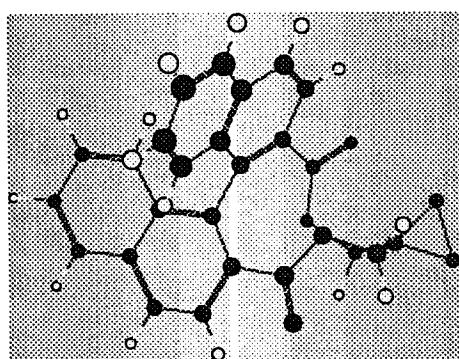
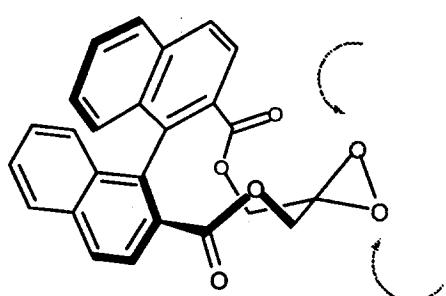
Chiral ketone Precursor	Cosolvent	pH	% ee	Note
①	acetonitrile	7.5	47 76	X = H X = Cl
②	acetonitrile/ DMM	10.5	98	but ketone is consumed
③	acetonitrile	7.5	76	X = F

① Yang et al., JACS 1996, 11311. ② Shi et al., JACS 1997, 11224.

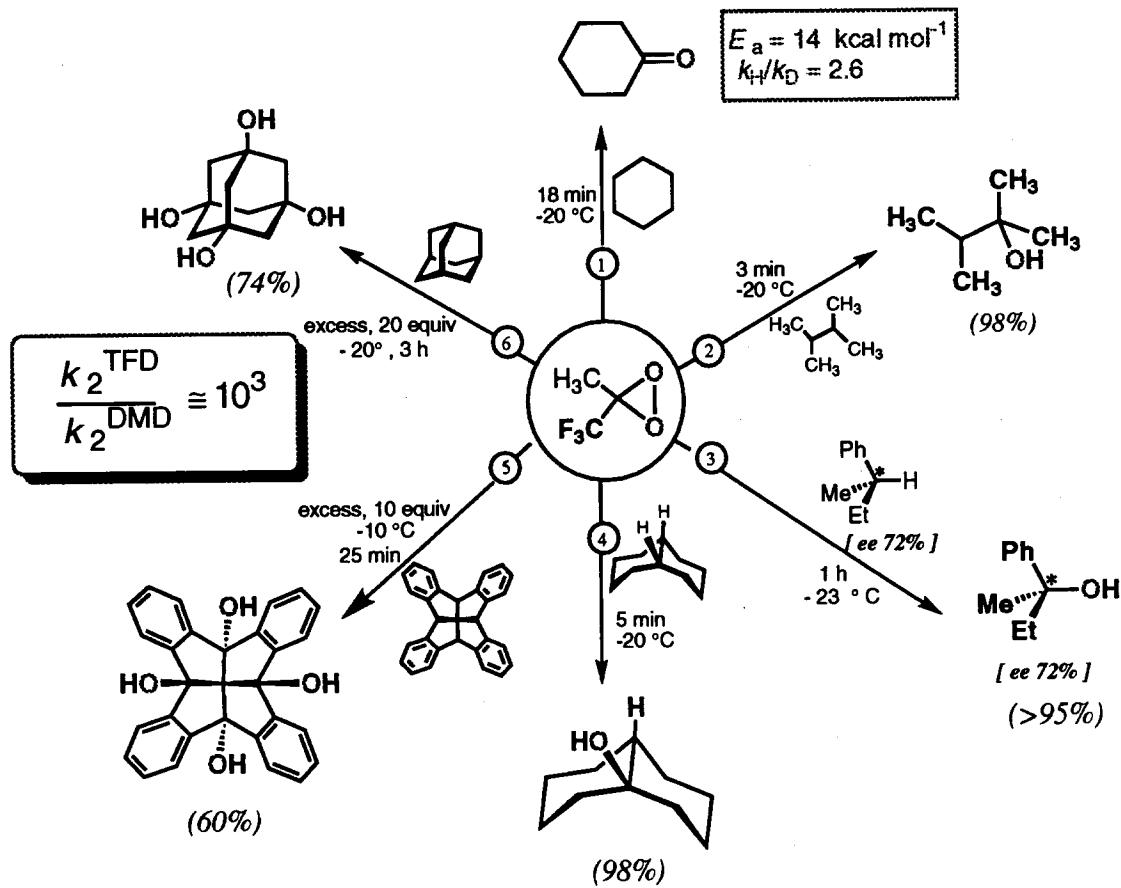
③ Armstrong and Hayter, Chem. Comm 1998, 621.

See also: Adam, Zhao, Tetrahedron Asymm. 1997, 3995.

Steric control of competing approaches of olefin
achieved by C2 or pseudo-C2-symmetric elements

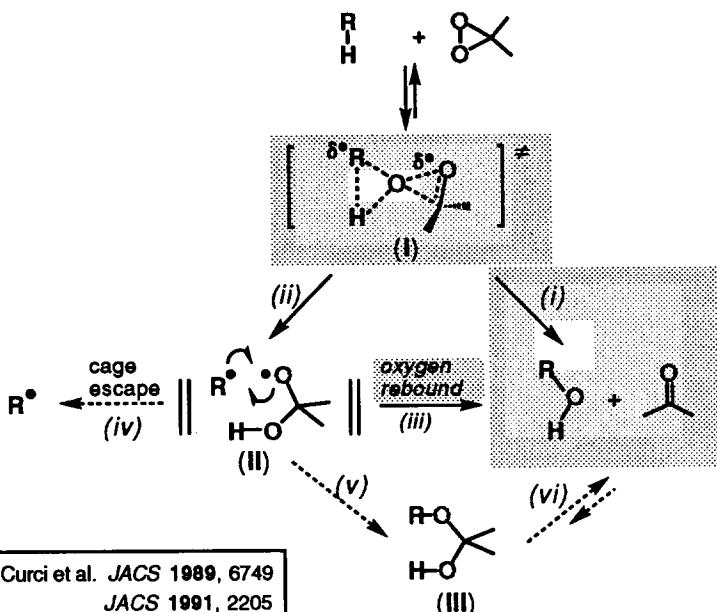


**Efficient and highly selective oxyfunctionalization of saturated hydrocarbons
using methyl(trifluoromethyl)dioxirane**

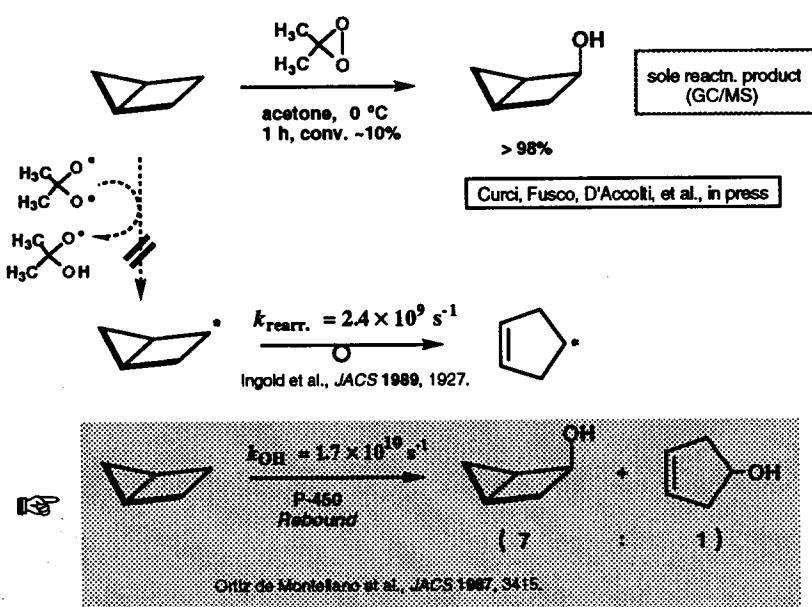


Curci et al. JACS 1989, 6749; TeLe 1990, 3067; JOC 1996, 8681; Pure Appl. Chem. 1995, 811. And refs therein

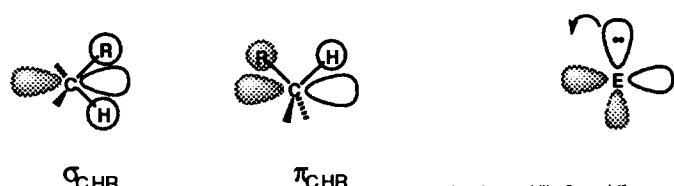
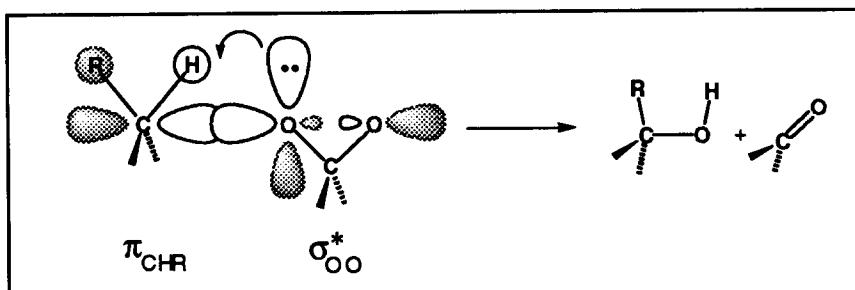
A Likely mechanism of O-atom insertion by dioxiranes
into C-H bonds of saturated hydrocarbons



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FMO for O₂-Insertion by Dioxiranes into C-H bonds

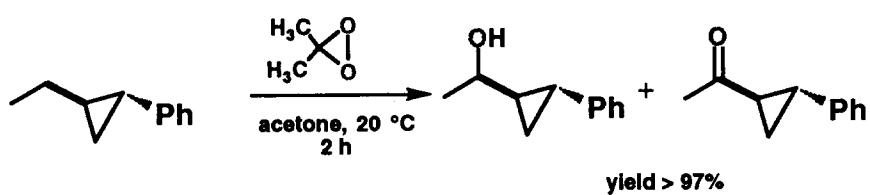


In the description of an hydrocarbon in tetrahedral array no isolated MO describe C-H bonds

Bach et al., JACS 1992

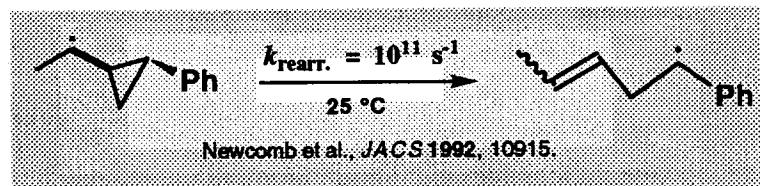
An electrophilic "enoid" reagent E capable of insertion into C-H bonds must have an electron deficient orbital to interact with the doubly occupied hydrocarbon fragment orbital and one or more electron pairs that serve as migration terminus for a 1,2-H shift

Dioxirane O₂-insertion into C-H of an Ultra-fast Radical Probe

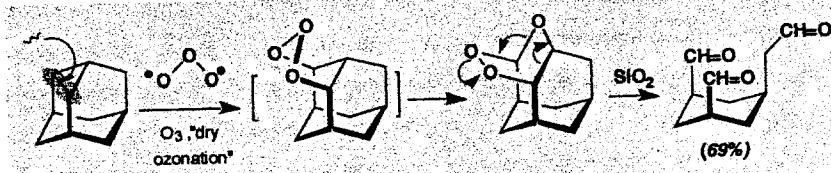
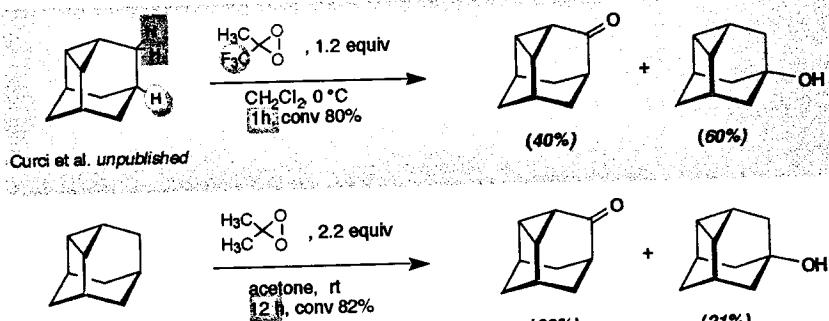


Newcomb et al., TeLe 1998, in press.

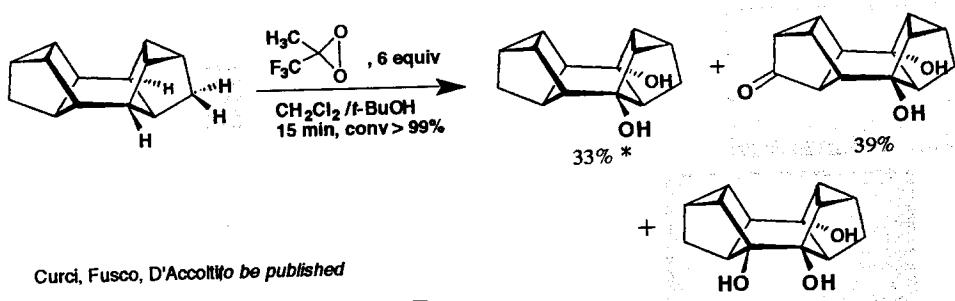
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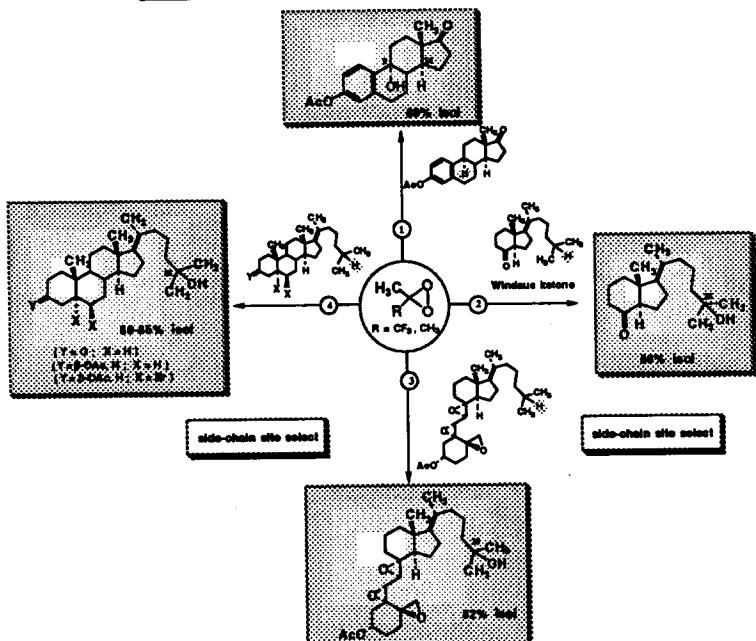
Oxidation of 2,4-Didehydroadamantane by Dioxiranes



Oxyfunctionalization of Binor S by TFD



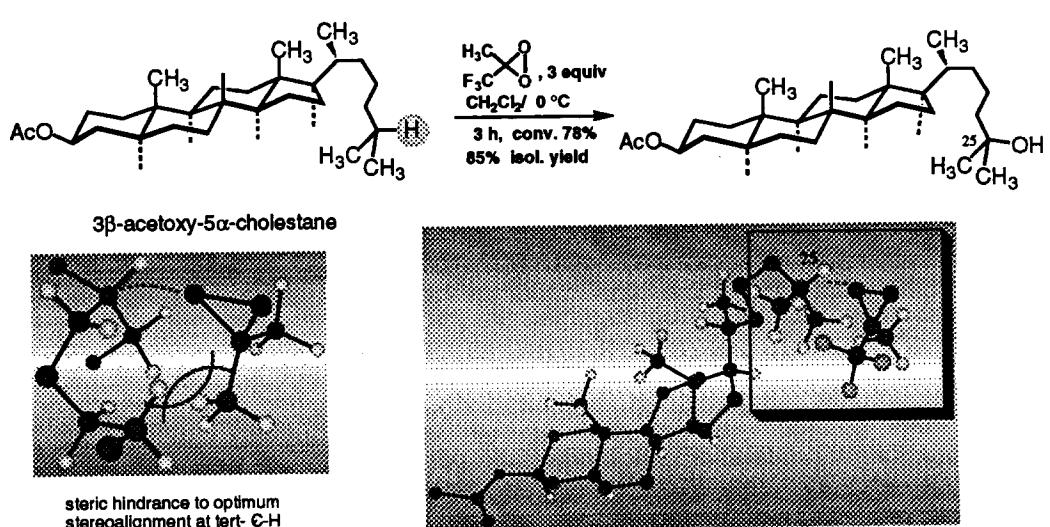
Selected Examples of Selective Oxyfunctionalizations of Natural Targets



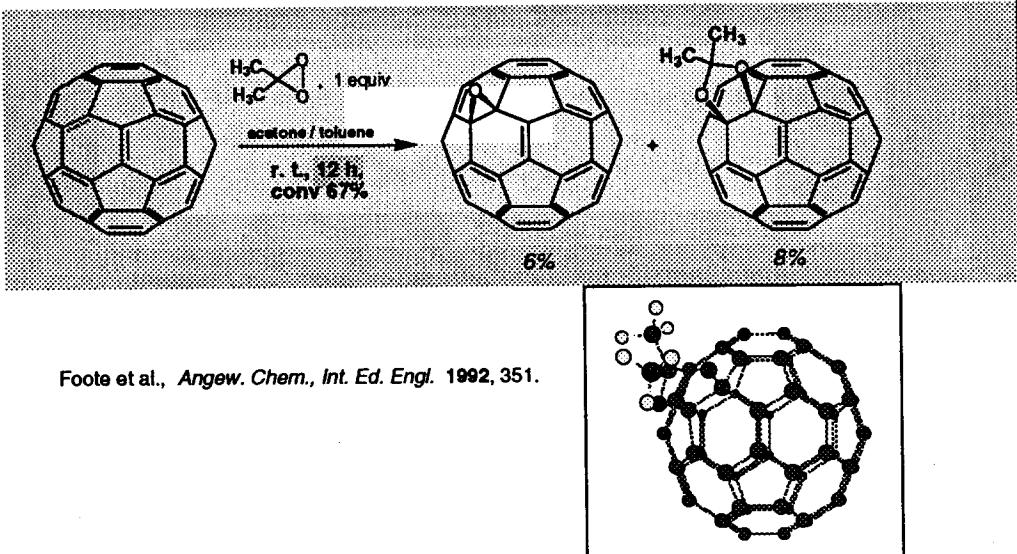
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③ Curci, Detomaso et al., JACS 1994, 8112

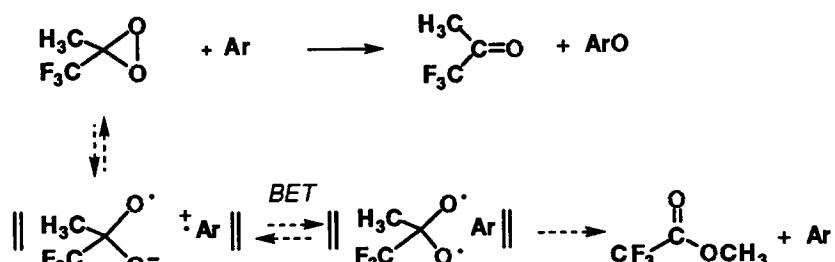
Selective oxyfunctionalization at side-chain C-25



Oxidation of Fullerene C₆₀ by Dimethyldioxirane



Dioxirane Decomposition During Oxidation of Arenes Having Low Oxidation Potential

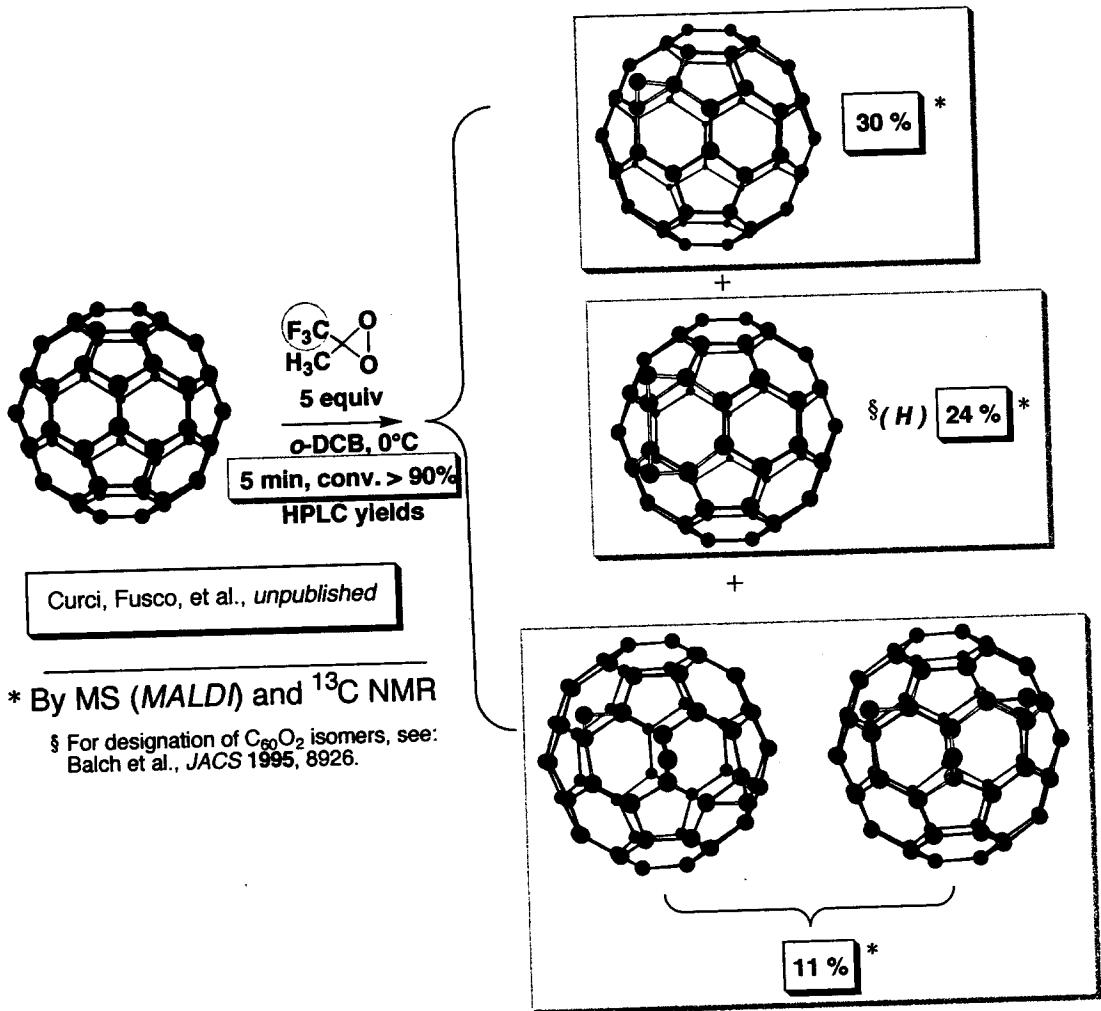


Ar = Pyrene, Rubrene

Pyrene⁺ detected by low-temp ESR

Curci et al., *Tetrahedron Letters* 1990, 6097.

Oxyfunctionalization of Buckminsterfullerene by TFD



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