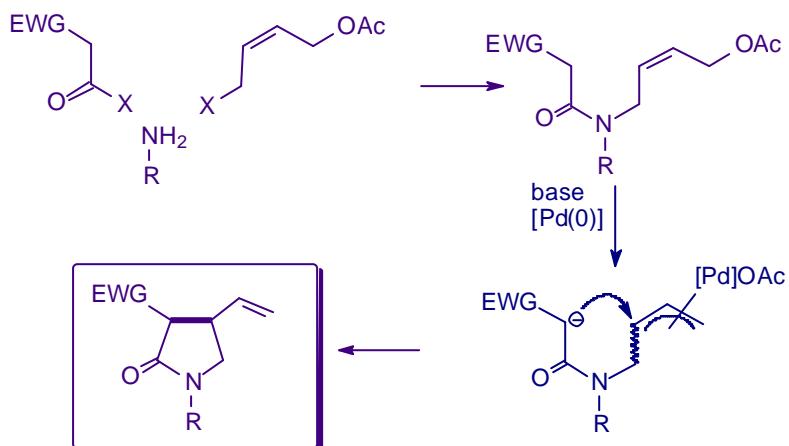


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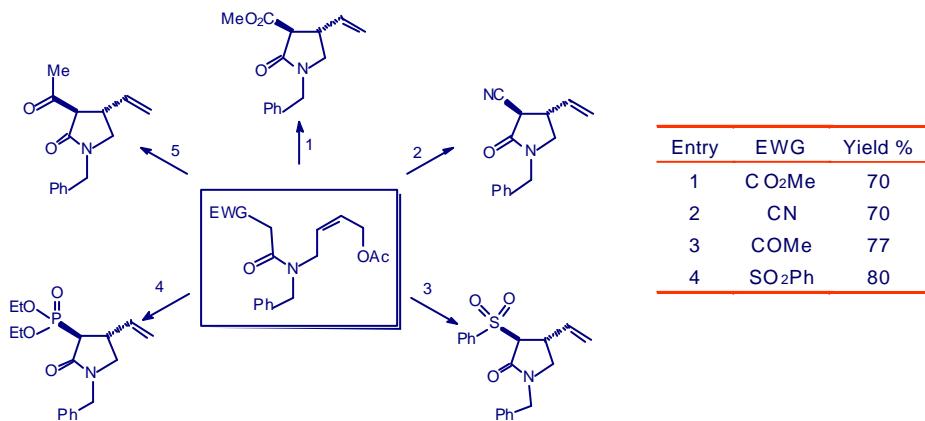
## New Aspects of Multistep Palladium-Catalyzed Processes

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### The Targets: Pyrrolidones



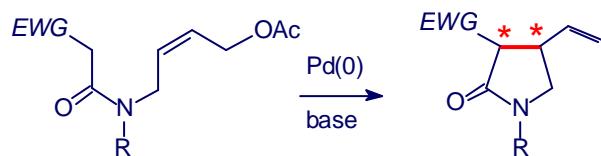
## The First Results



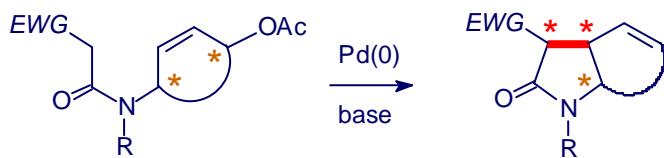
Pd(dba)<sub>2</sub>, PPh<sub>3</sub>, BSA, AcOK cat., THF, 70°C, 15h

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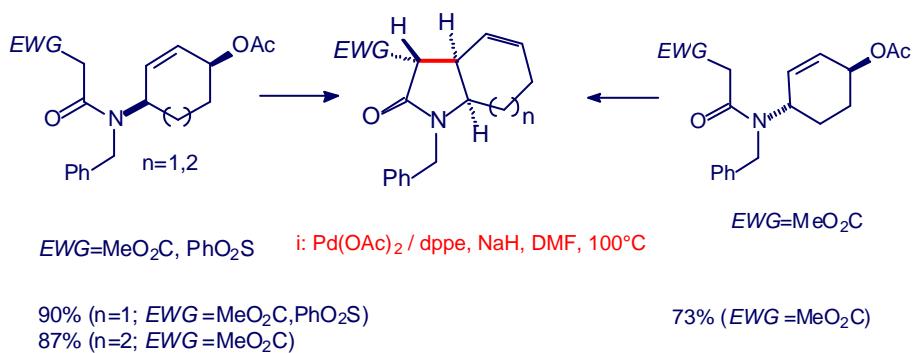
From internal...



...to facial diastereoselection

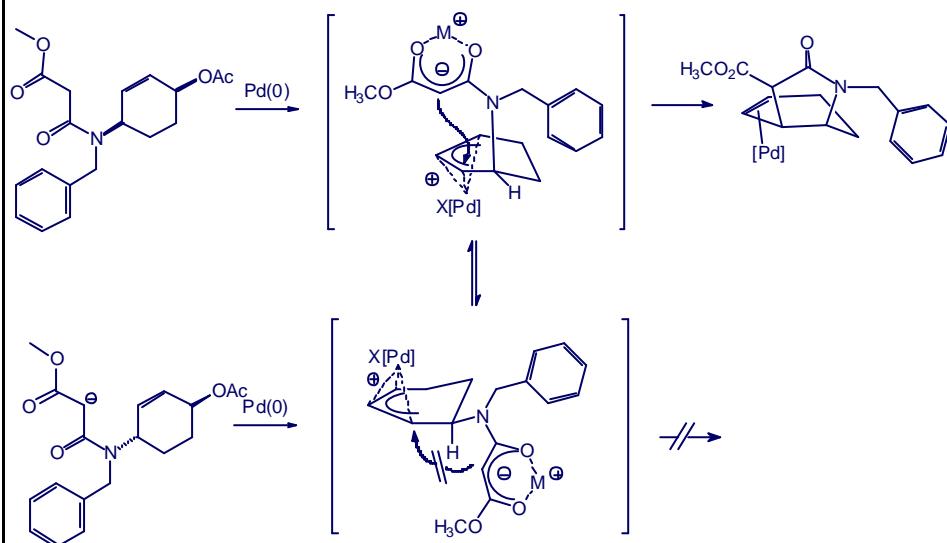


## Cyclization of the cis and trans precursors



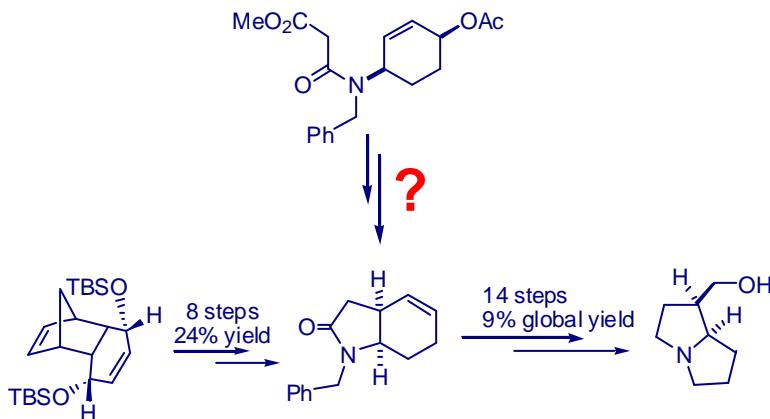
The reactions is stereoconvergent

## Mechanistic Rationale



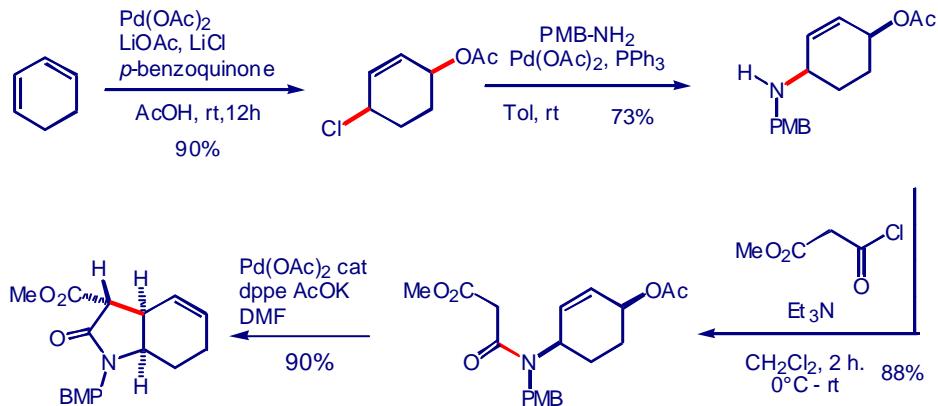
## Isoretronecanol (1)

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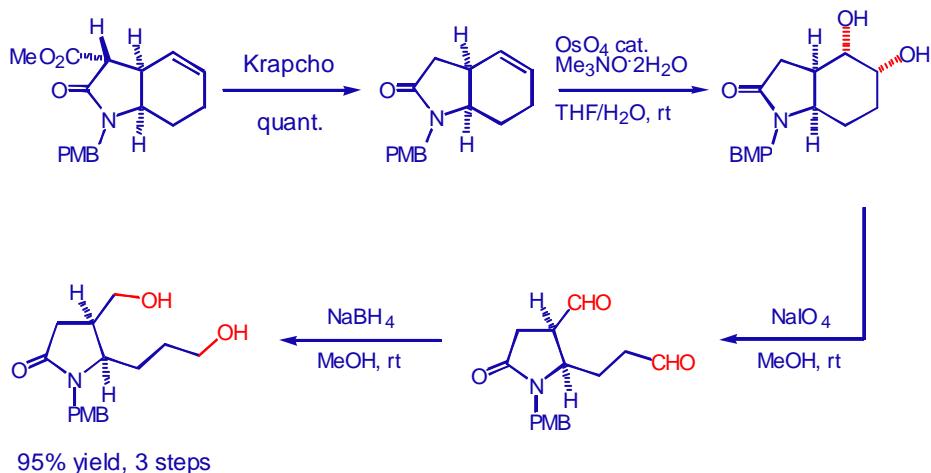


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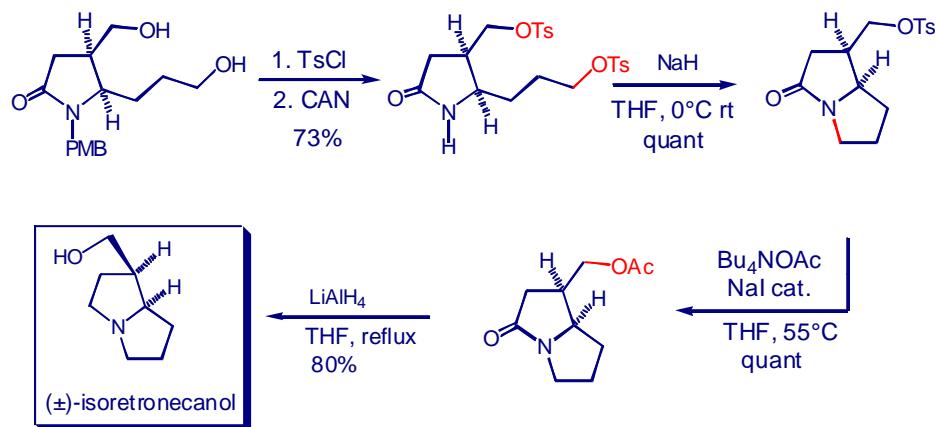
## Isoretronecanol (2)



## Isoretronecanol (3)



## Isoretronecanol (3)



12 steps  
29% global yield

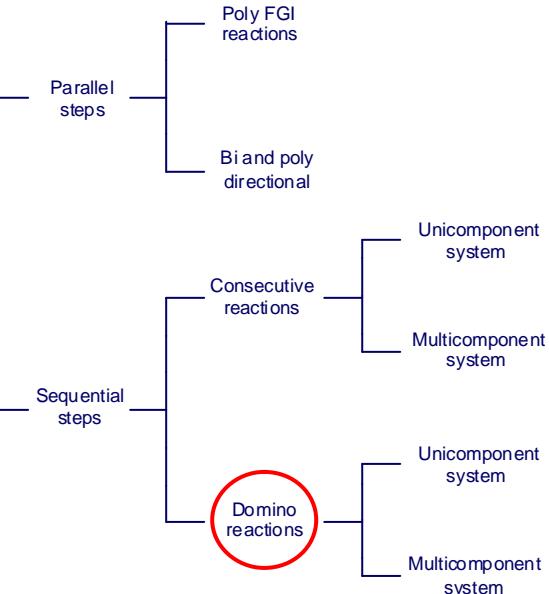
# One-pot Multistep Sequences

## In consecutive reactions

the first step does not promote the second one and external reagents or changes in reaction conditions are required to favor propagation.

## One-pot multistep

In **domino** (often referred to as **tandem** or **cascade**) reactions, reagents and catalysts are mixed together and experimental conditions are set up in such a way to promote the reaction cascade. Each bond-forming step results as a consequence of the functionality left by the previous reaction.

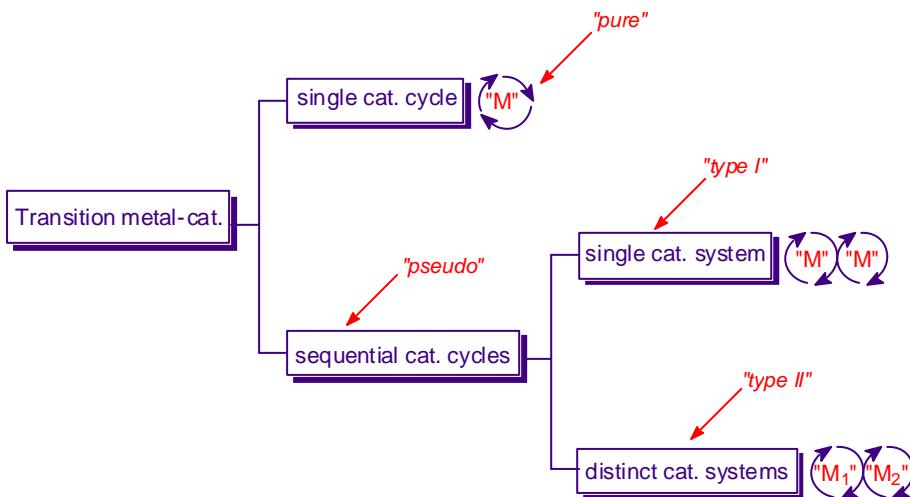


## Domino Processes

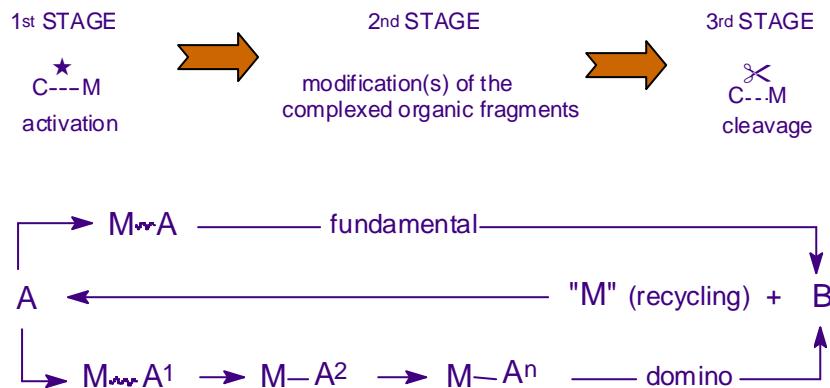
*“...a domino reaction is a process involving two or more bond-forming transformations which take place under the same reaction conditions without additional reagents and catalysts, and in which the subsequent reactions result as a consequence of the functionality formed in the previous step”.*

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# Transition Metal-Catalyzed Domino Processes

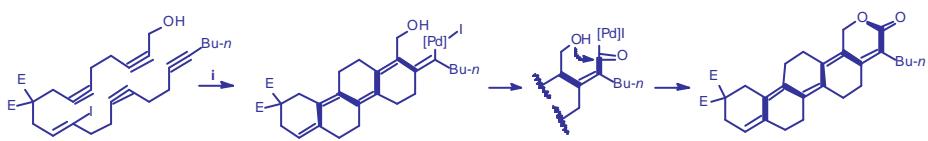


## A Metal-Catalyzed “Pure” Domino Process



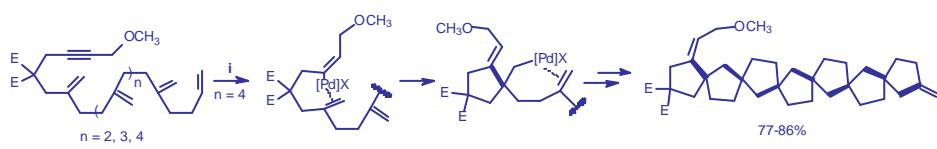
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## Examples of Pd-catalyzed Domino Processes



i :  $\text{CO}$  (1.1atm.), 5 mol%  $\text{PdCl}_2(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ ,  $\text{NEt}_3$  (2 eq.),  $\text{CO}$  (1.1atm.),  $\text{MeOH}$ ,  $70^\circ \text{C}$ , 1d; E =  $\text{CO}_2\text{Et}$

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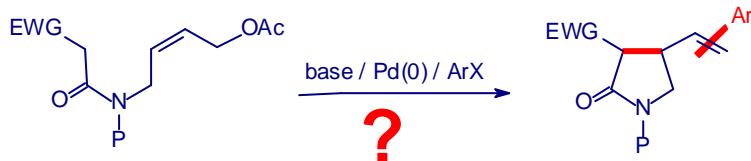


i : 2.5% ( $\text{dba}_3\text{Pd}_2$ ) $\text{CHCl}_3$ , 10%  $\text{Ph}_3\text{Sb}$ ,  $\text{AcOH}$ ,  $\text{PhH}$ ,  $50-65^\circ \text{C}$

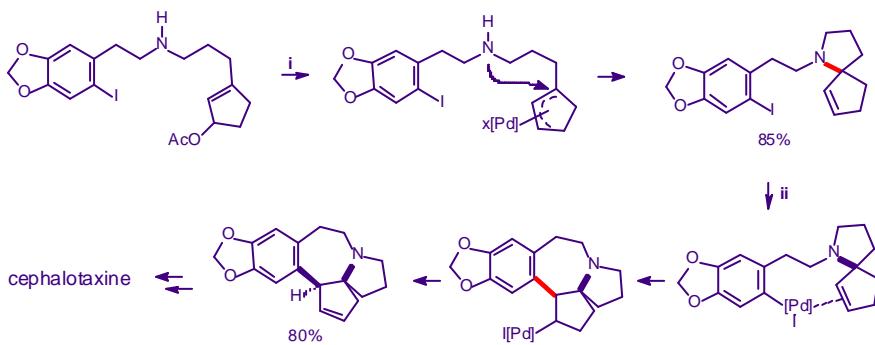
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## Inventing a type I TM-cat. Domino process

Is such a transformation possible in a *pseudo-domino* fashion ?



## Tietze's Synthesis of Cephalotaxine

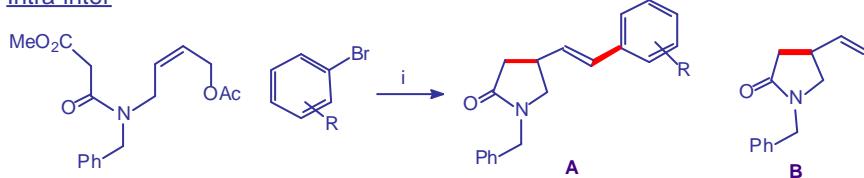


i : 8 mol%  $\text{Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4$ ,  $\text{NEt}_3$  (1.7 eq.),  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}$ ,  $50^\circ\text{C}$ , 10h  
ii : 6 mol% Herrmann cat.,  $n\text{Bu}_4\text{NOAc}$  (2.2 eq.),  $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}/\text{DMF}/\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (5/5/1)

Tietze, L. F.; Schirok, H. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.*, **1997**, 1124. Tietze, L. F.; Schirok, H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1999**, 121, 10264.

## Pseudo-domino Allylic alkylation / Heck

### Intra-inter

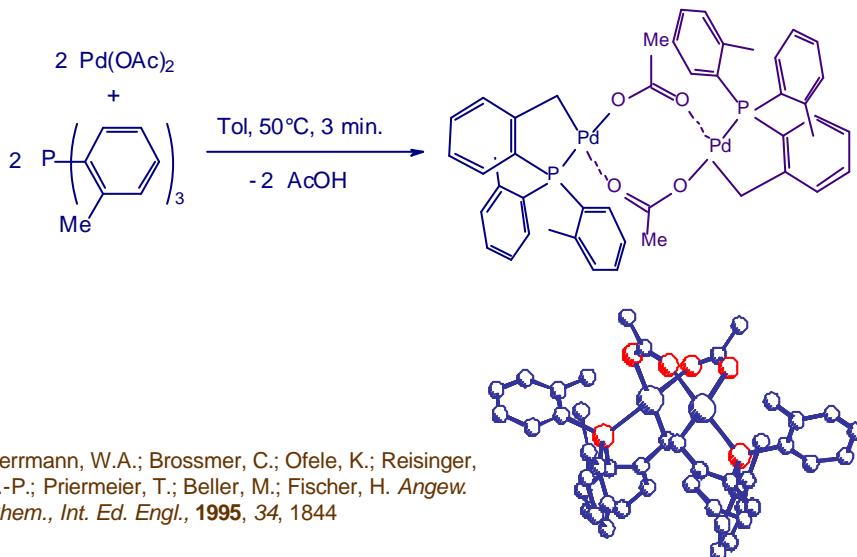


i:  $\text{NaH}$  (1.2 eq.),  $\text{ArBr}$  (1.4 eq.),  $\text{AcONa}$  (1.1 eq.), H.B. cat (0.05 eq.), DMAc,  $140^\circ\text{C}$ , 47h

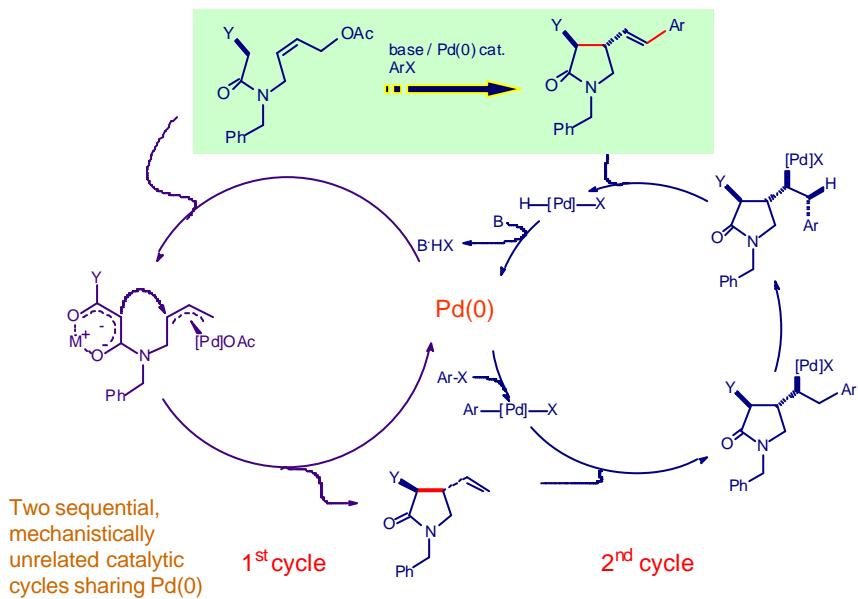
Entry	$\text{ArX}$	time (h)	A (%)	B (%)
1	3-MeO	47	58	36
2	4-MeO	50	38	42
3	H	31	54	30
4	3-MeCO	22	59	-
5	4-MeCO	22	60	-

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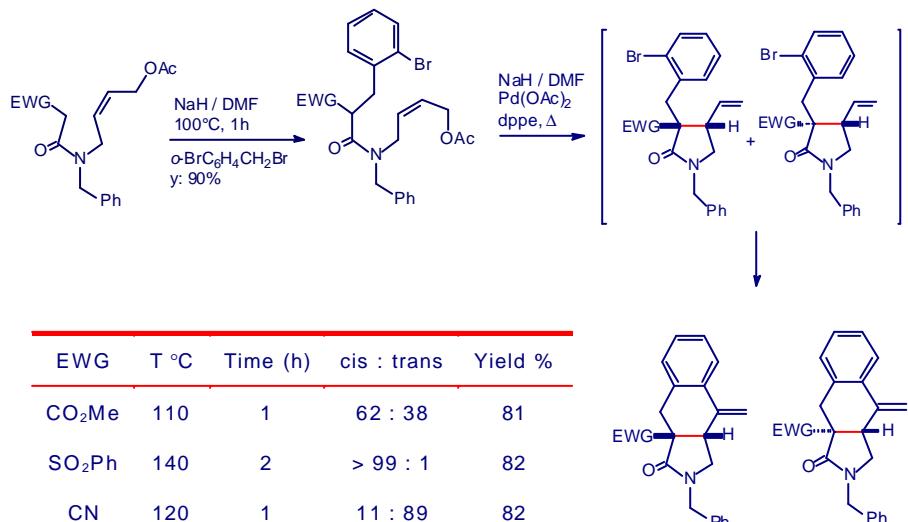
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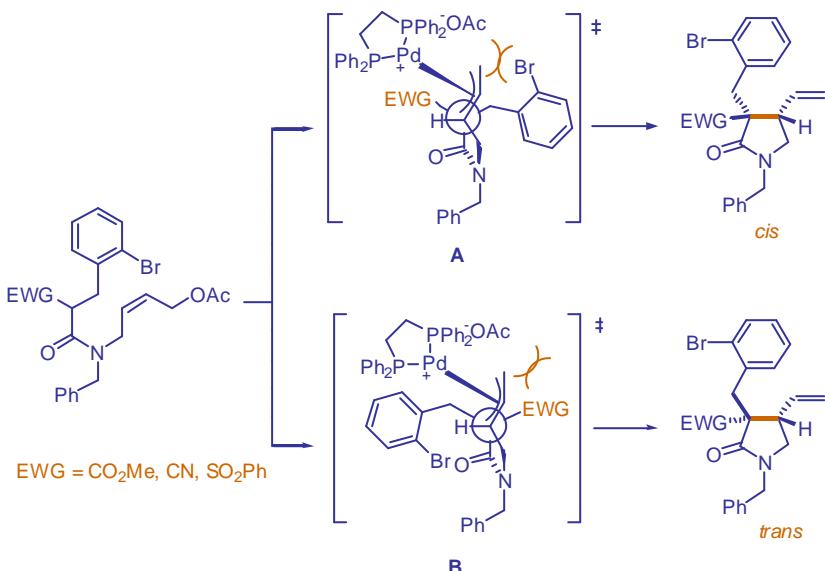
## A'' Type I'' Pd-cat. Pseudo-Domino Process



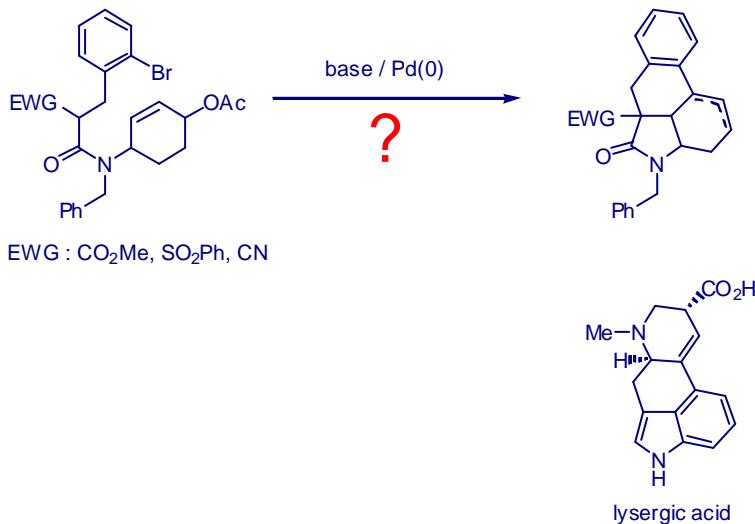
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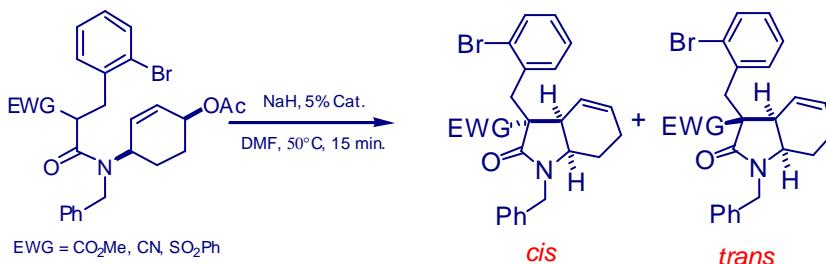
## Stereochemical Rationalization



## More Complex Pseudo-Domino Processes

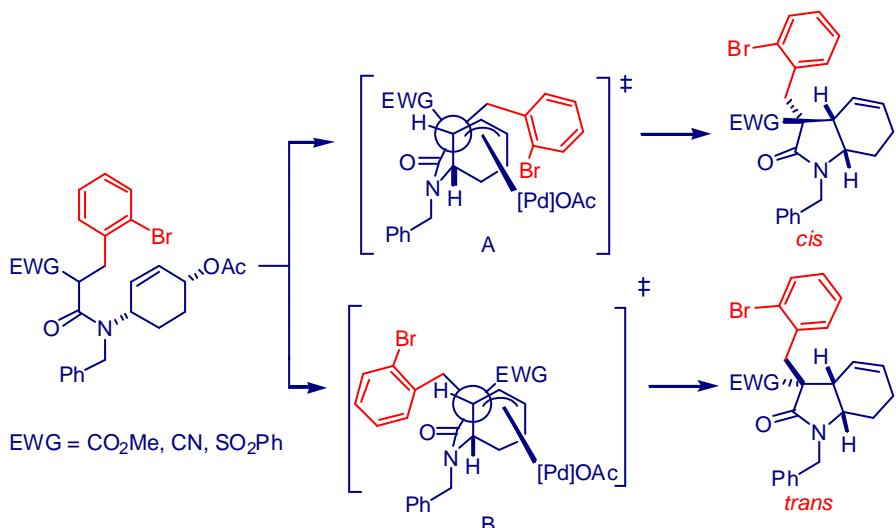


## Simple Allylic Alkylation on the Benzylated Precursor

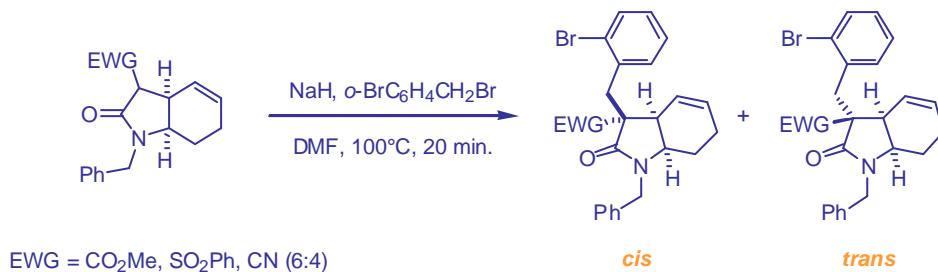


EWG	Cat.	cis : trans	Yield %
CO <sub>2</sub> Me	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> / dppe	90 : 10	80
	HB cat	90 : 10	80
CN	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> / dppe	> 1 : 99	75
	HB cat	80 : 20	85
SO <sub>2</sub> Ph	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> / dppe	> 99 : 1	75
	HB cat	> 99 : 1	75

## A working model

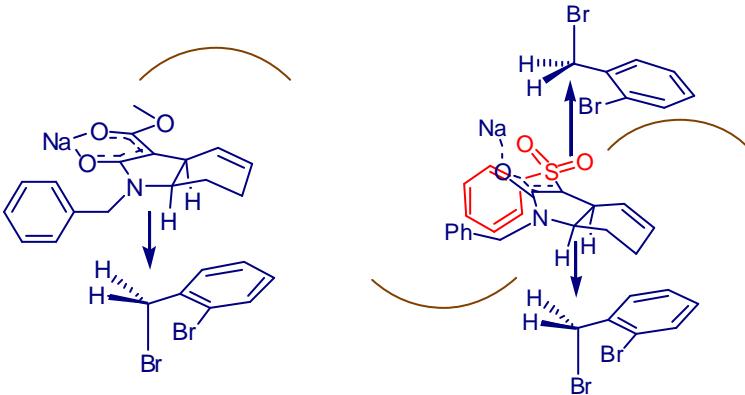


## Benzylation of the Cyclized Material

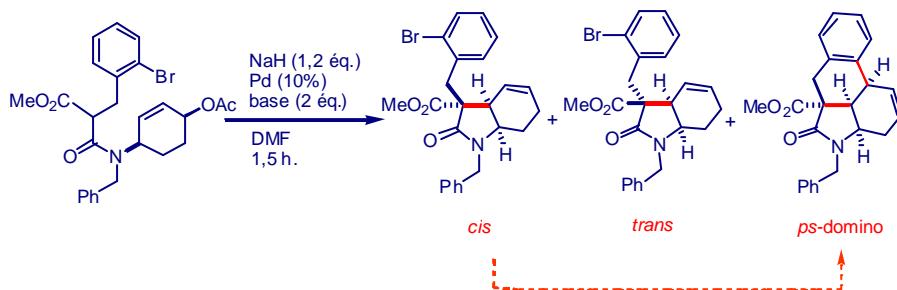


EWG	cis : trans	Rdt %
CO <sub>2</sub> Me	0 : 100	95
SO <sub>2</sub> Ph	25 : 75	95
CN	0 : 100	95

## The Role of the Carbanion Activating Group

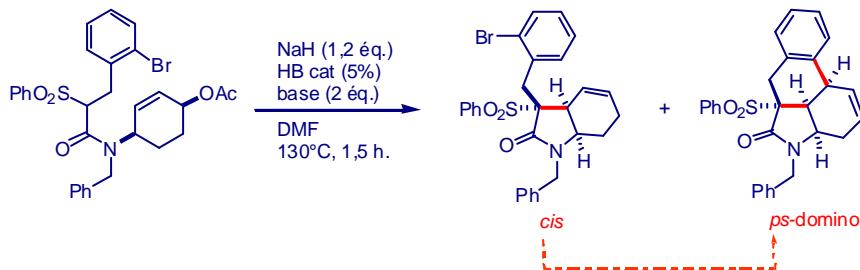


## The *Pseudo-Domino* Process ( $\text{CO}_2\text{Me}$ )



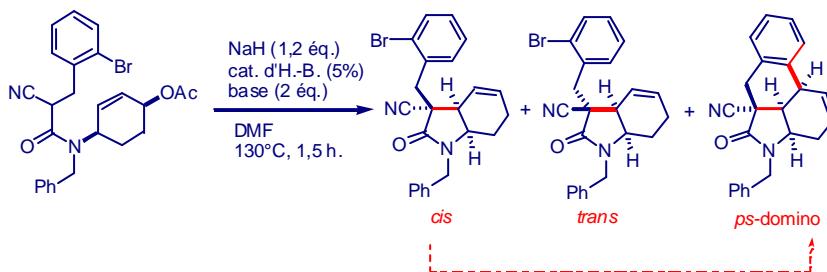
Pd source	T °C	Base	<i>cis</i> : <i>trans</i> : <i>ps-domino</i>	yield%	<i>ps-domino</i> %
$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{dppe}$	rt to 130	-	90 : 10 : 0	80	0
$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{dppe}$	rt to 130	$\text{AcONa}$	90 : 10 : 0	80	0
$\text{Pd}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{dppe}$	rt to 130	$\text{AcOK}$	-	75	0-60
HB cat	rt to 130	$\text{AcOK}$	66 : 10 : 24	85	20
HB cat	130	$\text{AcOK}$	48 : 8 : 44	85	40
HB cat	130	$n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NOAc}$	20 : 10 : 70	85	60

## The *Pseudo-domino* Process ( $\text{SO}_2\text{Ph}$ )



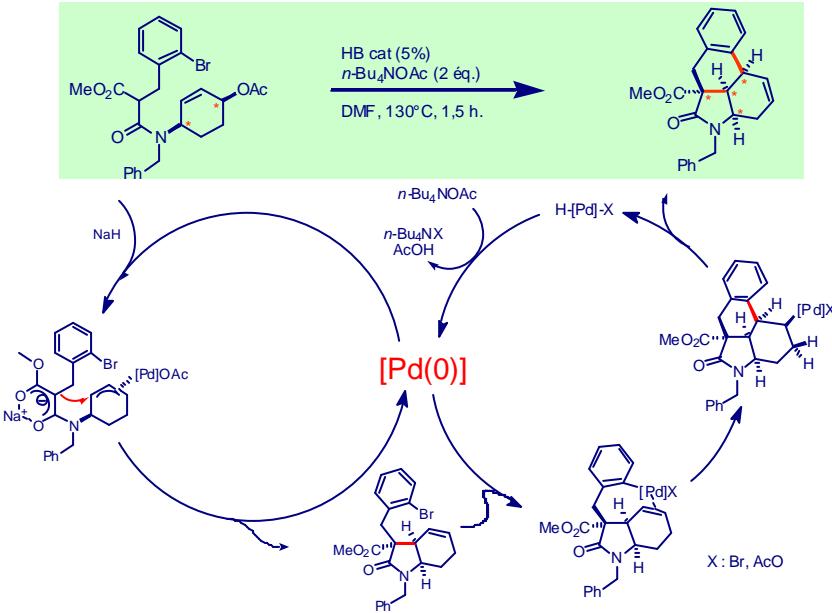
Pd	T °C	Base	<i>cis</i> : <i>ps-domino</i>	yield %	<i>ps-domino</i>
HB cat	130	$\text{AcOK}$	100 : 0	35%	0%
HB cat	130	$n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NOAc}$	30 : 70	30%	21%

## The *Pseudo-domino* Process ( $\text{CN}$ )

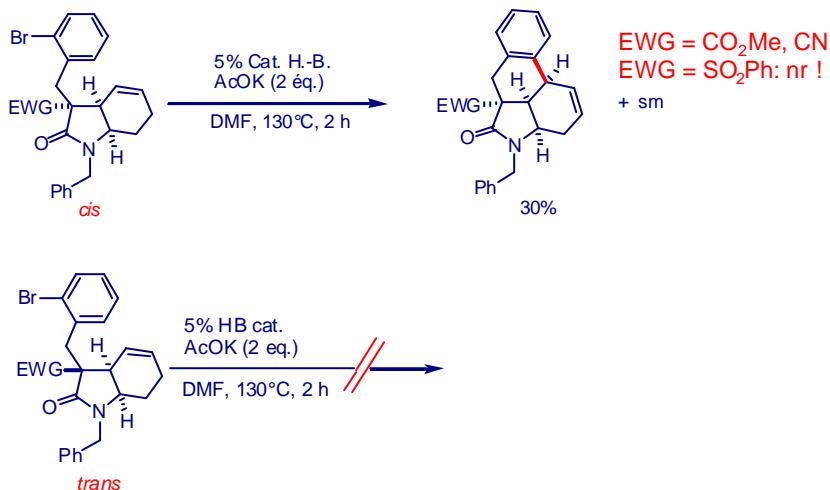


Pd	T °C	Base	<i>cis</i> : <i>trans</i> : <i>ps-domino</i>	Yield	<i>ps-domino</i>
HB cat	130	$\text{AcOK}$	35 : 15 : 50	89%	45%
HB cat	130	$n\text{-Bu}_4\text{NOAc}$	6 : 19 : 75	87%	65%

## The Catalytic Cycle

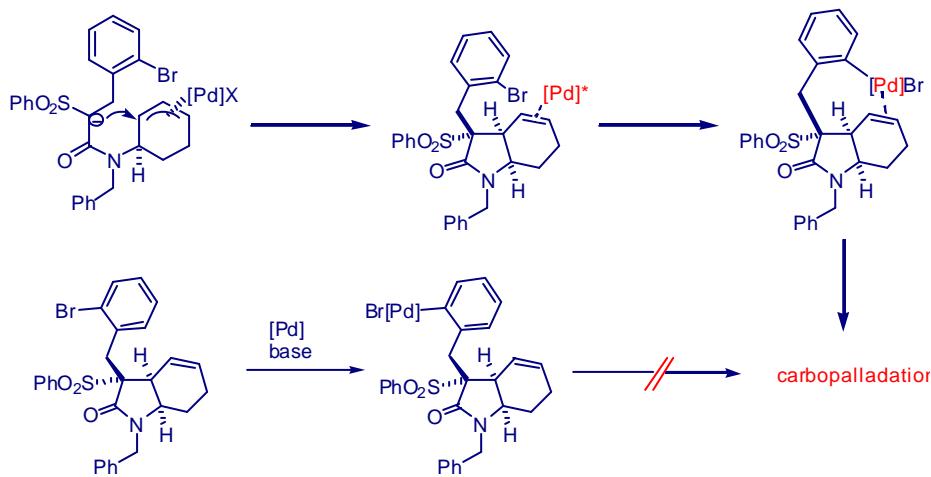


## Heck from the Already Cyclized Precursor



## A Tempting Hypothesis

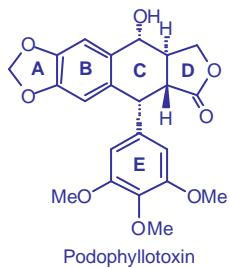
Intramolecular extra-activation



## Target: an Aza-analog of Podophyllotoxin



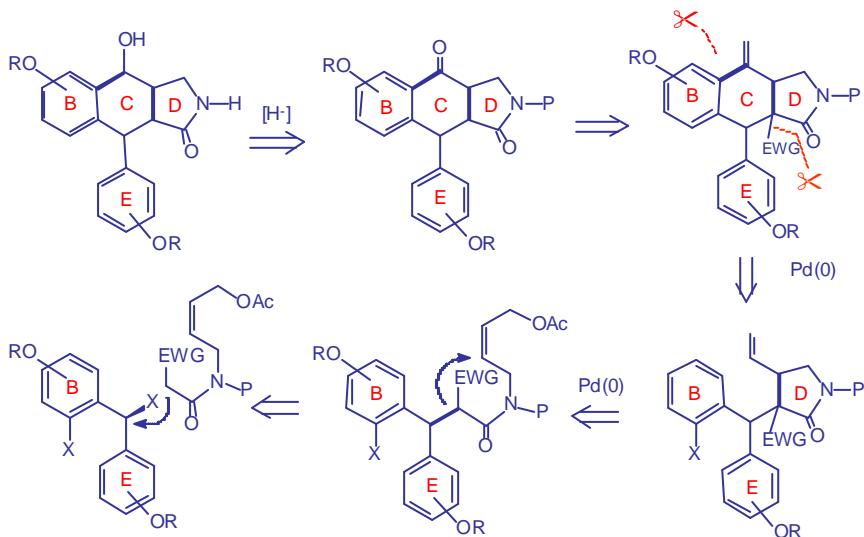
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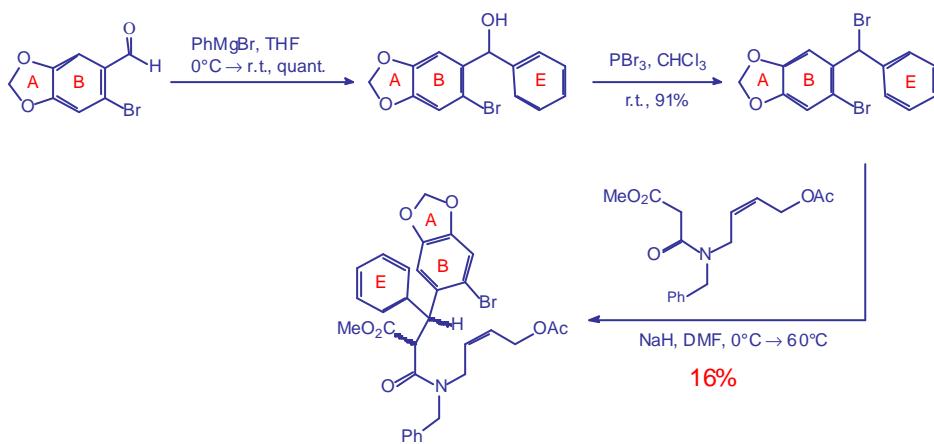
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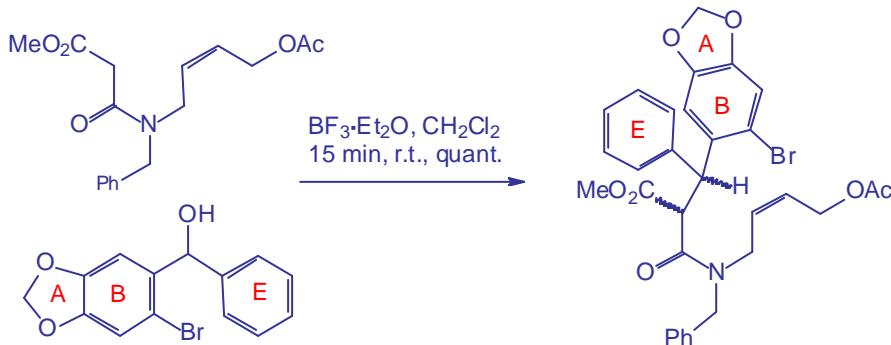
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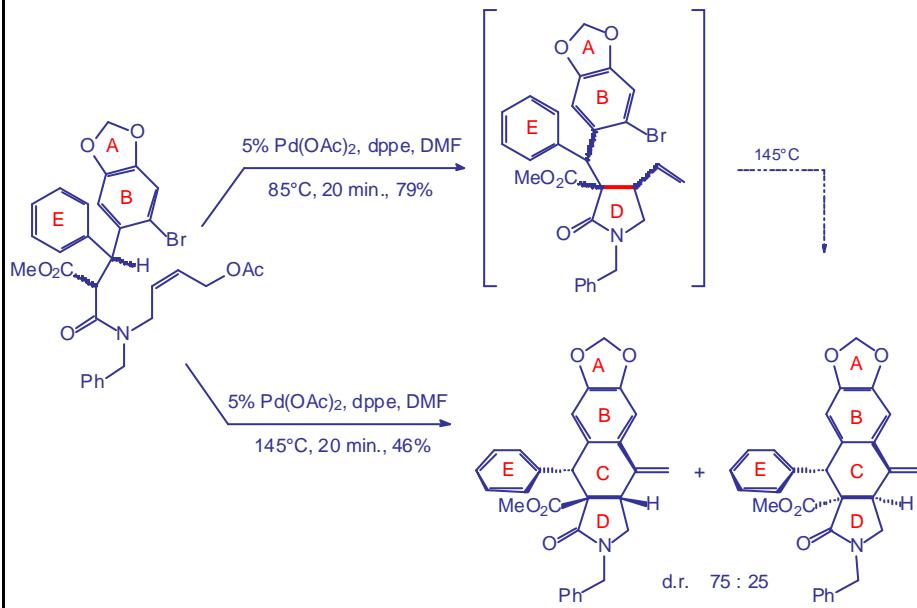
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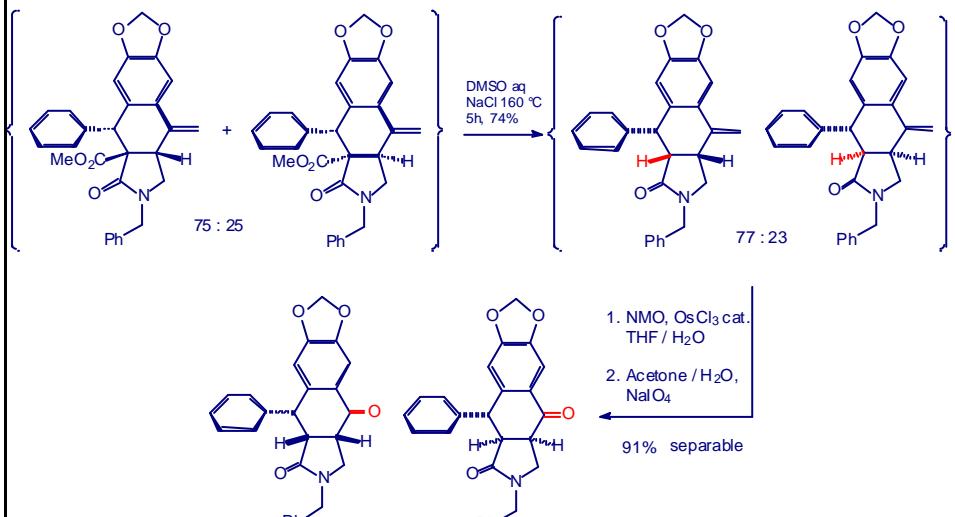
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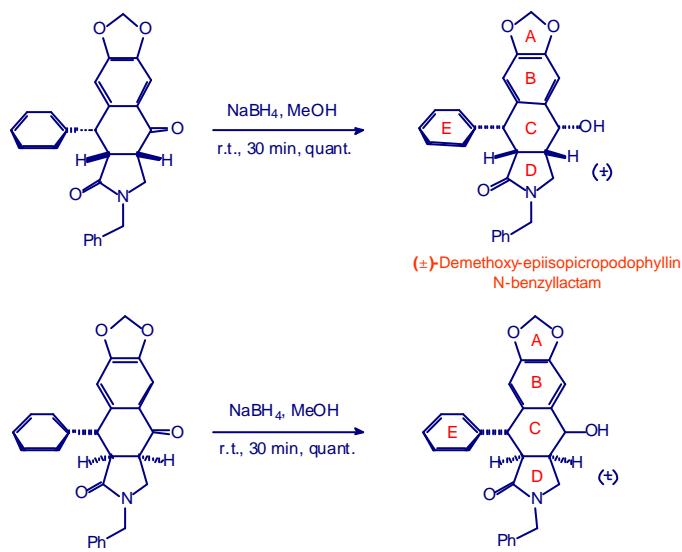
## The Cyclization at Work



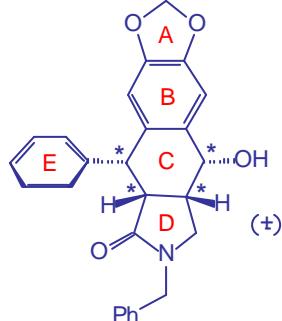
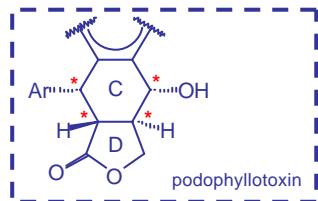
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## Reduction of the Carbonyl Function

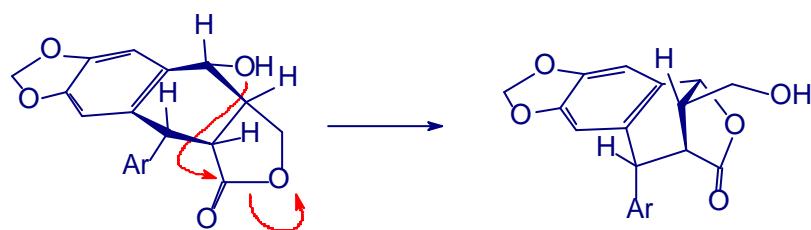


## The X-ray Crystal Structure



( $\pm$ )-DEMETHOXY-EPIISOPICROPODOPHYLLIN N-BENZYL LACTAM

## The Epiisopicrodophyllin Motif



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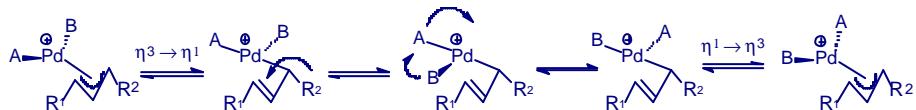
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## Facial exchange in the $\pi$ -allyl complex

apparent allyl rotation



Pd(0) resubstitution pathway

