

**IASOC XVII**

*The Consilience of Logic, Chance and  
the Unforeseen in Organic Synthesis*

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# Lecture outline

- Selected vignettes of concept-based ideas
- Selected vignettes of logic and knowledge-based ideas
- Selected vignettes of chance-based outcomes
- Selected vignettes exploring the third dimension
- Lessons from nature and natural products



## **Selected Vignettes of Concept-based Ideas**

*(Somewhat dated but of lasting impact)*

# Stereo- and regiochemical Control in Bond Formation

APPLICATION AND  
EXPLORATION OF NOTIONS OR  
CONCEPTS



DESIGN OF REAGENTS, CATALYSTS,  
REACTIONS, ETC.



**INNOVATION AND  
Discovery**

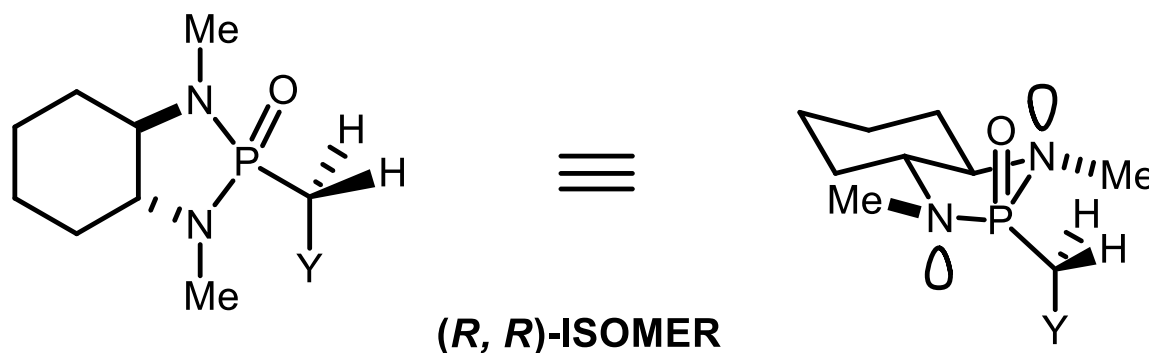
**EXPLOITATION OF  
« EFFECTS »**

**INHERENT / IMPOSED**

- TOPOLOGY
- STEREOELECTRONIC
- SYMMETRY / ASYMMETRY
- STERIC BIAS
- CONFORMATION
- COORDINATION / CHELATION
- PROXIMITY / AFFINITY
- KINETIC / THERMODYNAMIC



# Combining metal coordination, conformational bias topology, stereoelectronics, and $C_2$ symmetry in one reagent



**Earliest example of the use of 1,2-trans-diaminocyclohexane in asymmetric synthesis**

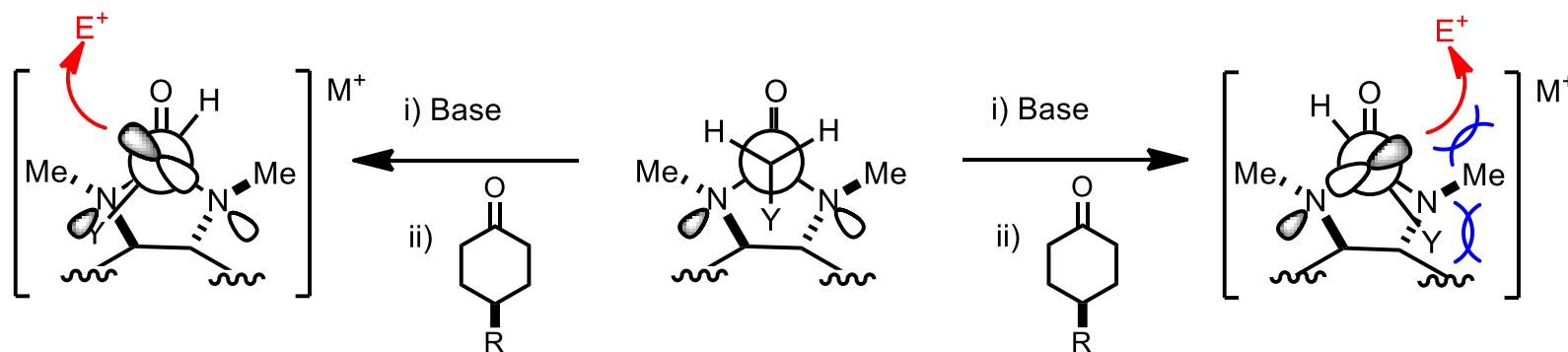
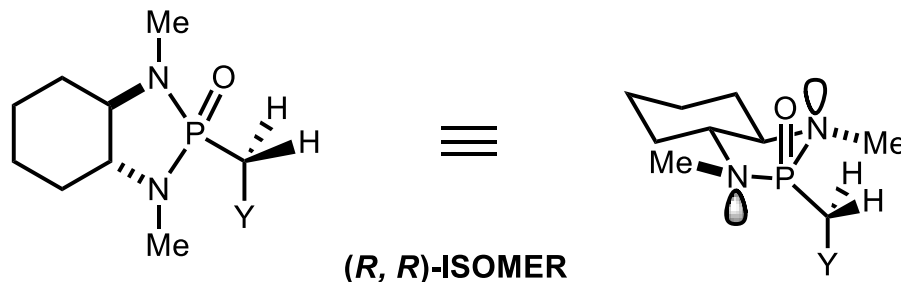
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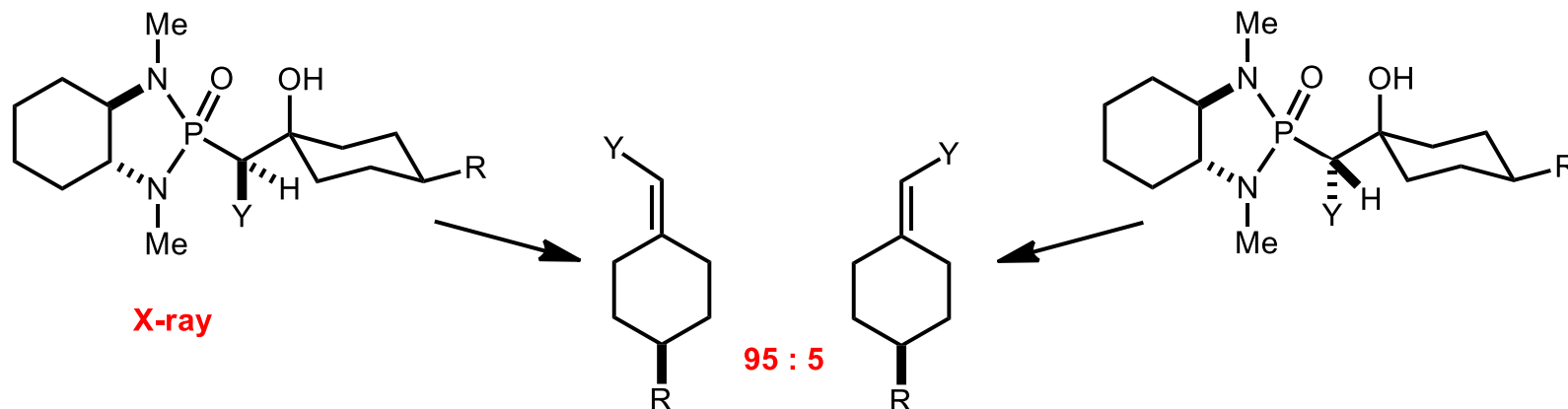
Recent review: Focken, T.; Hanessian, S. *Beilstein J.Org.Chem.* **2014**, *110*, 1848

# Design and reactivity of an asymmetric olefination reagent

Concept:



Practice:

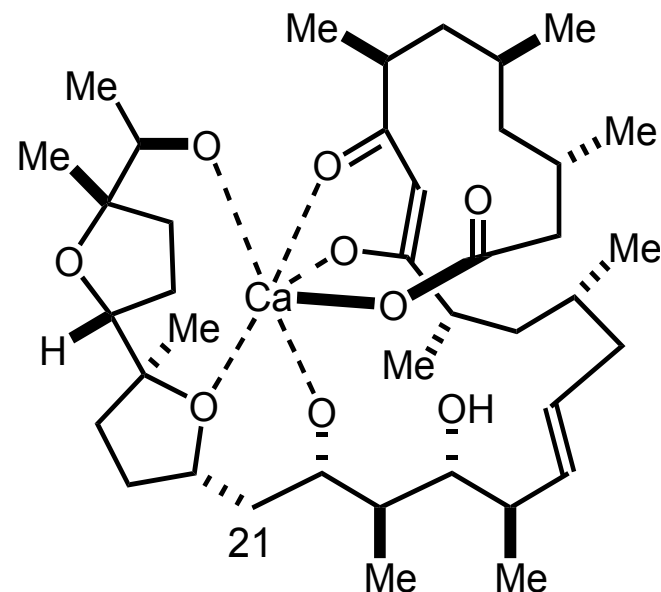
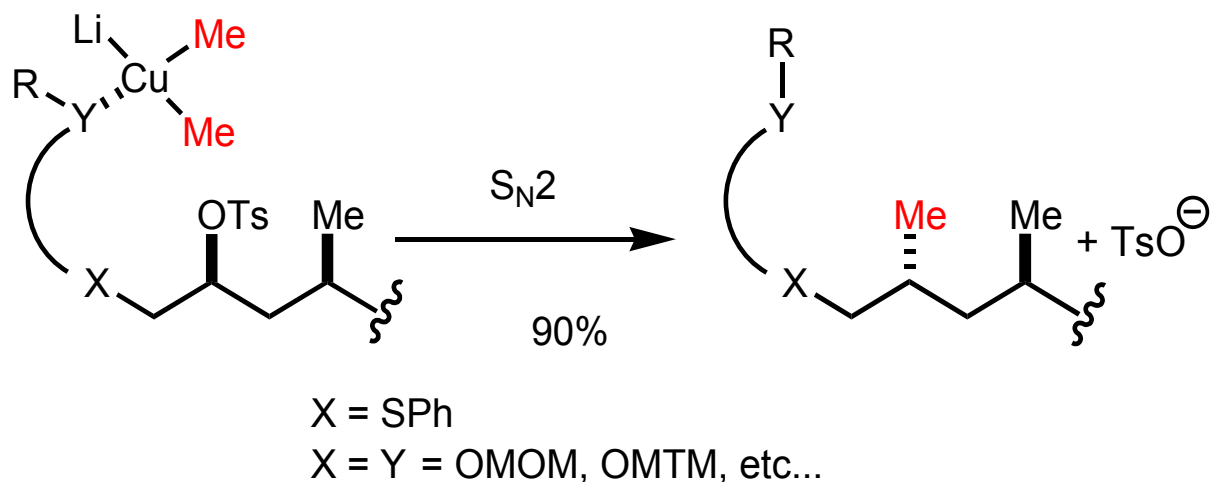


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# Internally Assisted “Carbon S<sub>N</sub>2 Displacement”

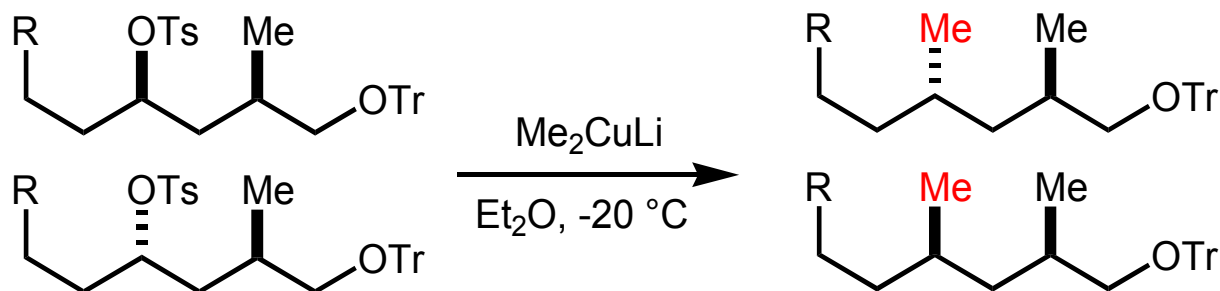
Concept:

Example of proximity assisted chelation



IONOMYCIN Ca salt

Practice:



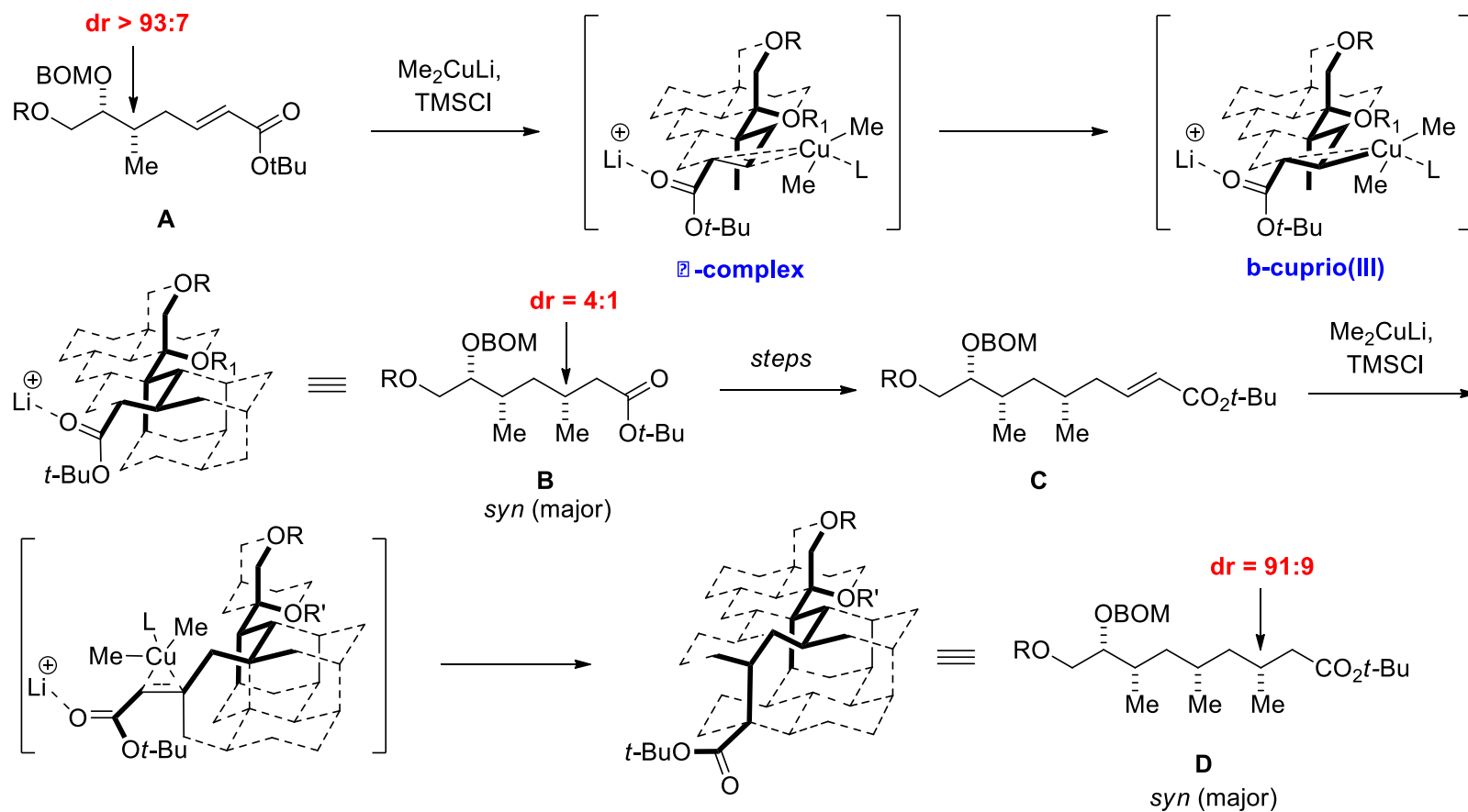
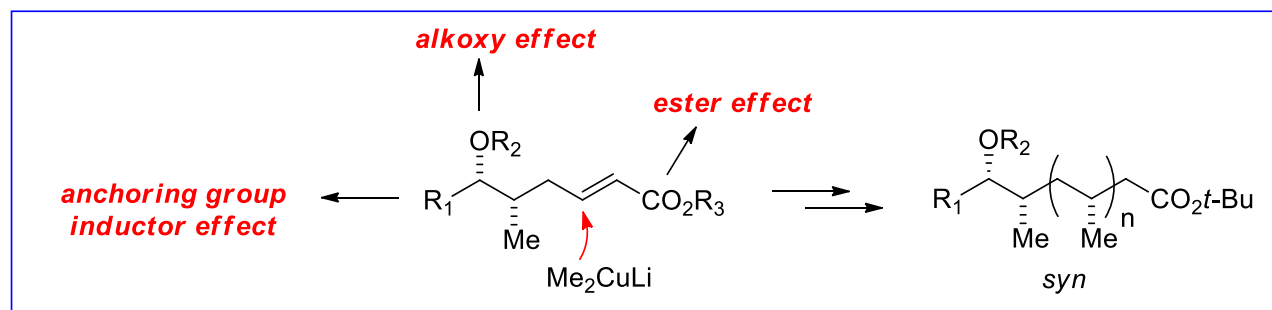
R = SPh, OMOM, MTM

Hanessian, S. et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, 112, 5276

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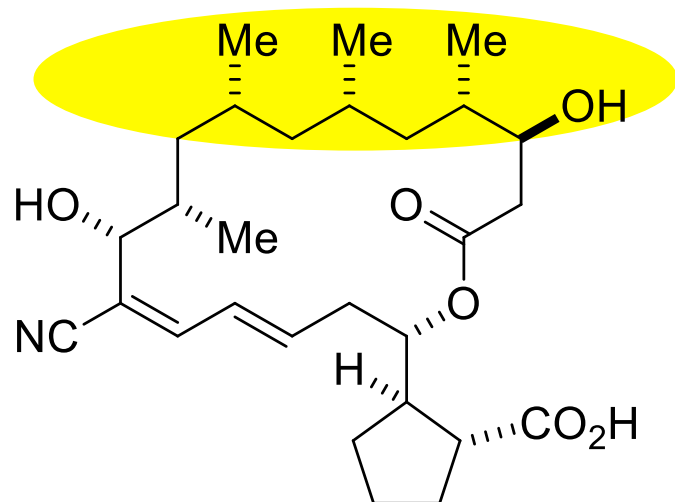
**Concept:** Acyclic conformational control toward deoxypropionates:  
Iterative 1,2-and 1,3- induction via isotactic type folding

Avoiding  
Syn-pentane  
interactions



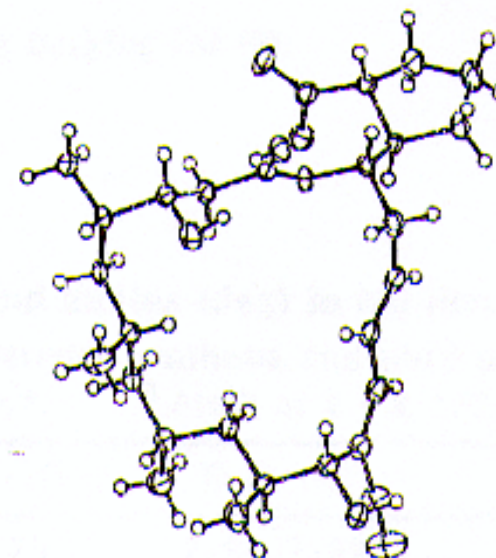
isotactic type folding is transmitted from adjacent resident stereocenters to the newly created triad

# Extended deoxypropionates in natural products



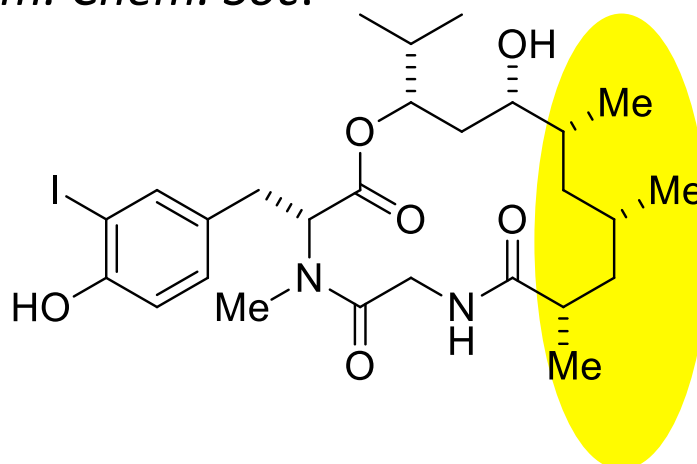
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with Yang, Y.; Giroux, S.; Mascitti, V.;  
Ma, J.; Raepel, F.J. *Am. Chem. Soc.*  
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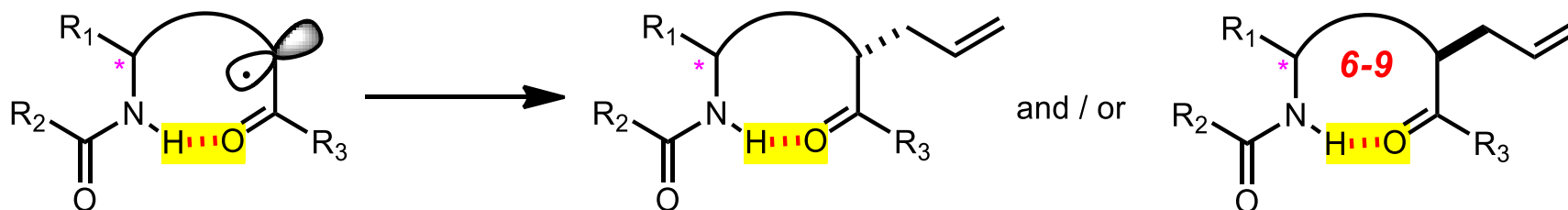
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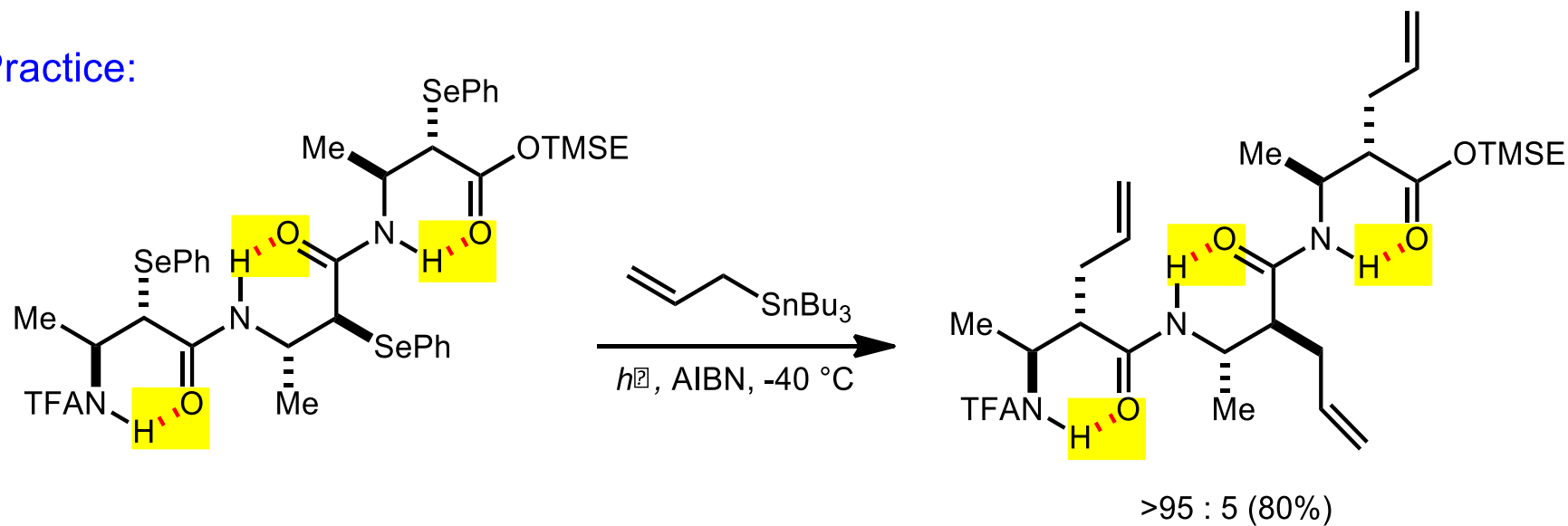


# ***H-Bonding*** as a stereocontrolling element in free radical allylations

Concept:



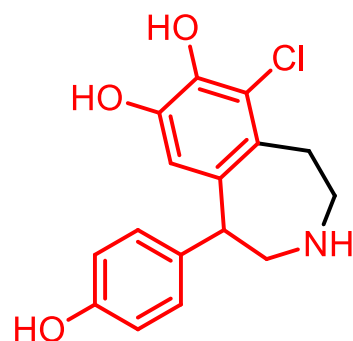
Practice:



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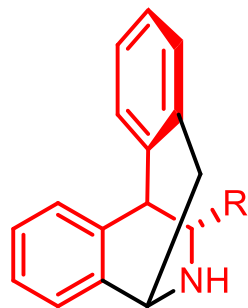
# Catalytic Diastereoselective Friedel-Crafts Alkylation: Toward 1,1'-Diarylmethanes

Basic concept:

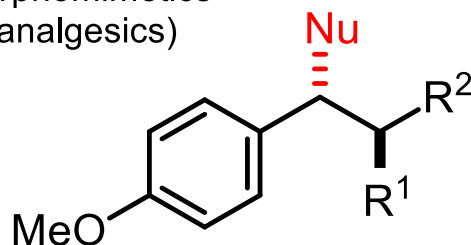


Fenoldopam  
(antihypertensive)

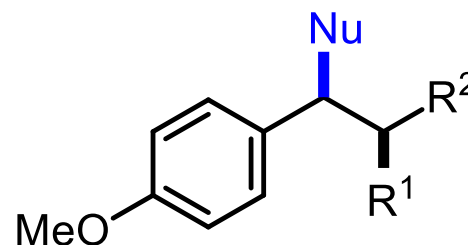
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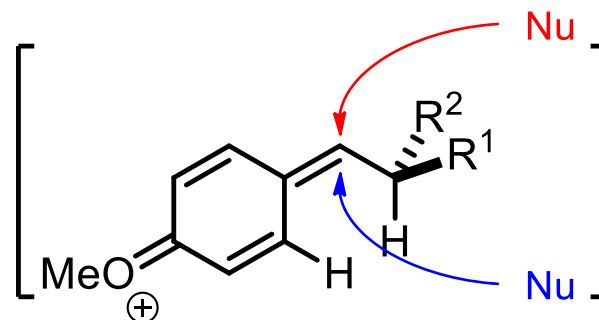
morphomimetics  
(analgesics)



with Chénard, E. *Org. Lett.* **2014**, 16, 2668



Major syn-  
diastereomer

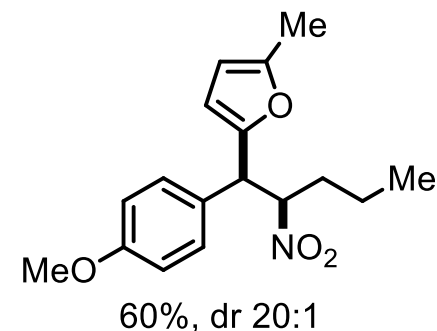
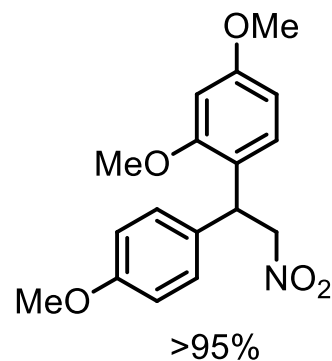
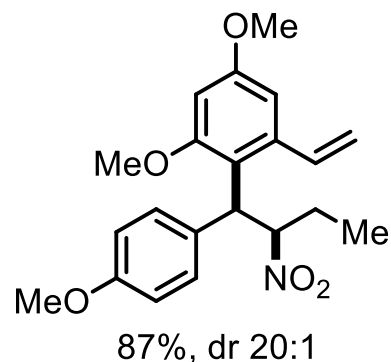
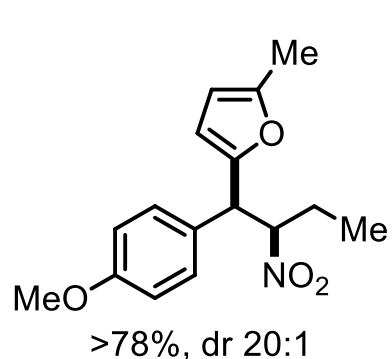
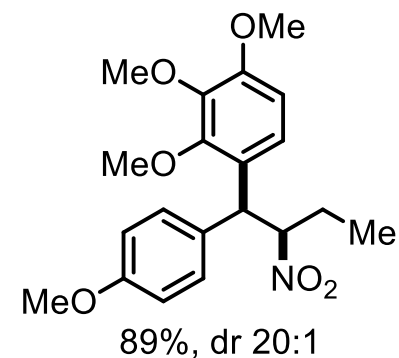
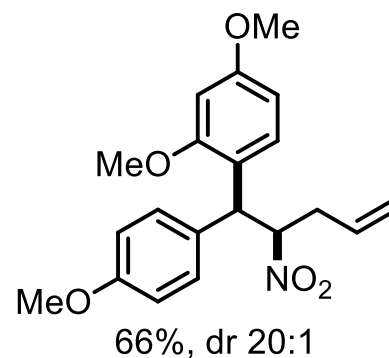
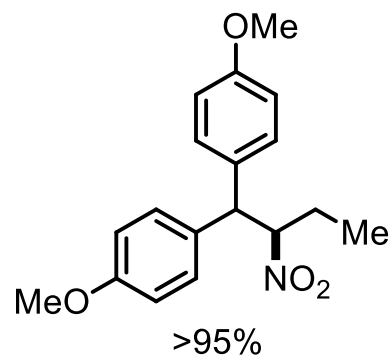
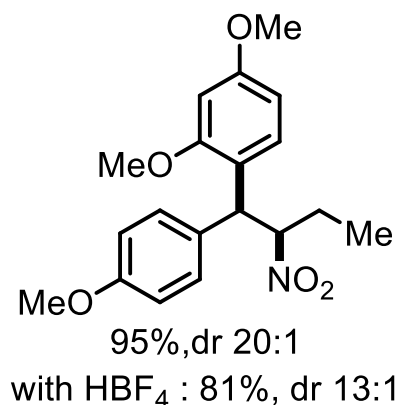
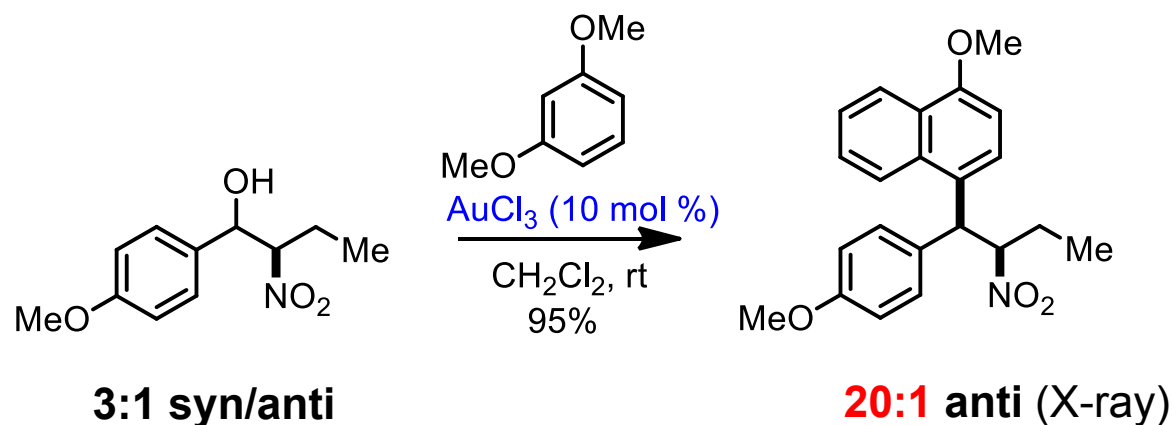


Conformation  
avoids A<sup>1,3</sup> strain

Nu = electron rich aromatic or  
heteroaromatic

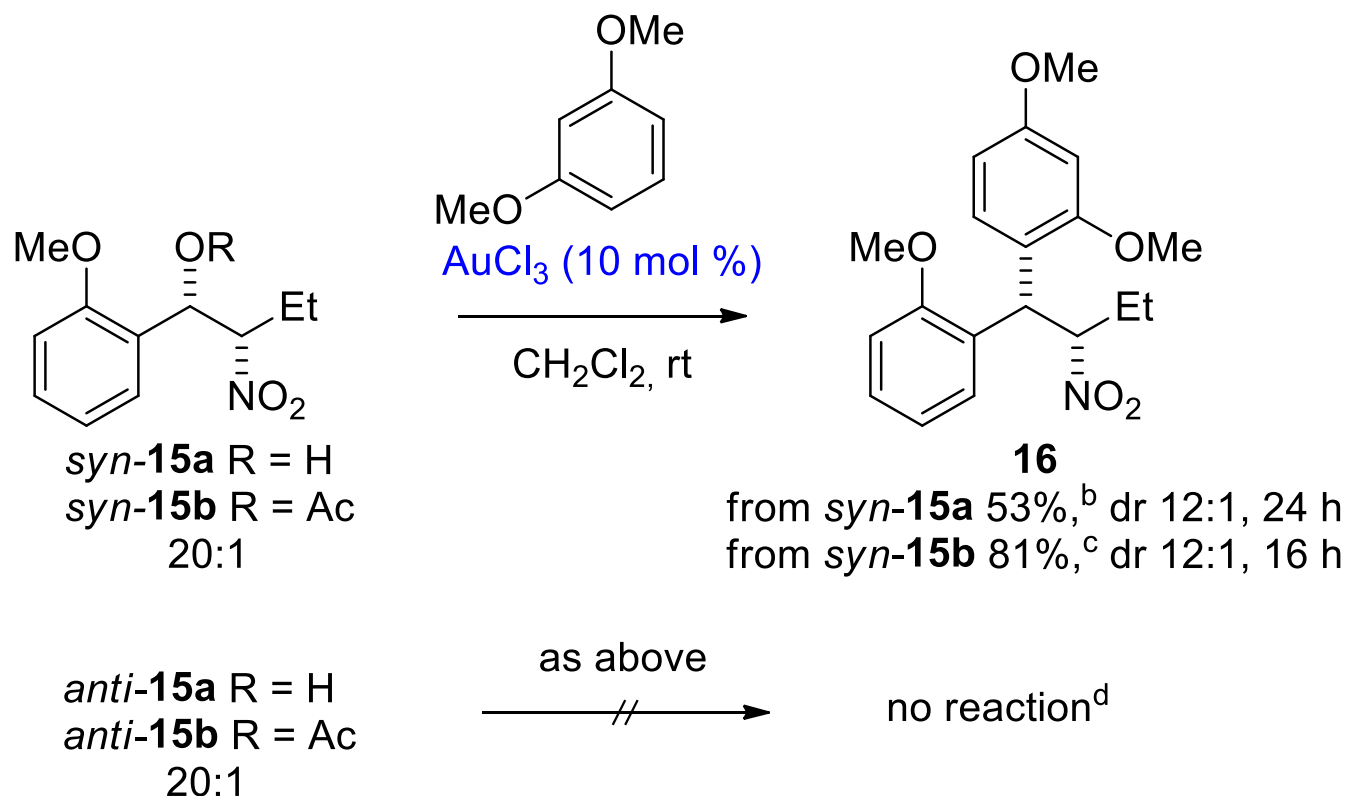
See also: Olah, Bach, Lautens, Beller, Rueping for related systems;  
Diarylmethanes review: Ameen, D.; Snape, T.J. *MedChemRev.* **2013**,  
Friedel- Crafts review: Rueping, M.; Nachtsheim, B. J.  
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# Gold catalyzed 1,1'-diaryl 2-nitro alkanes





# Kinetic diastereomer differentiation

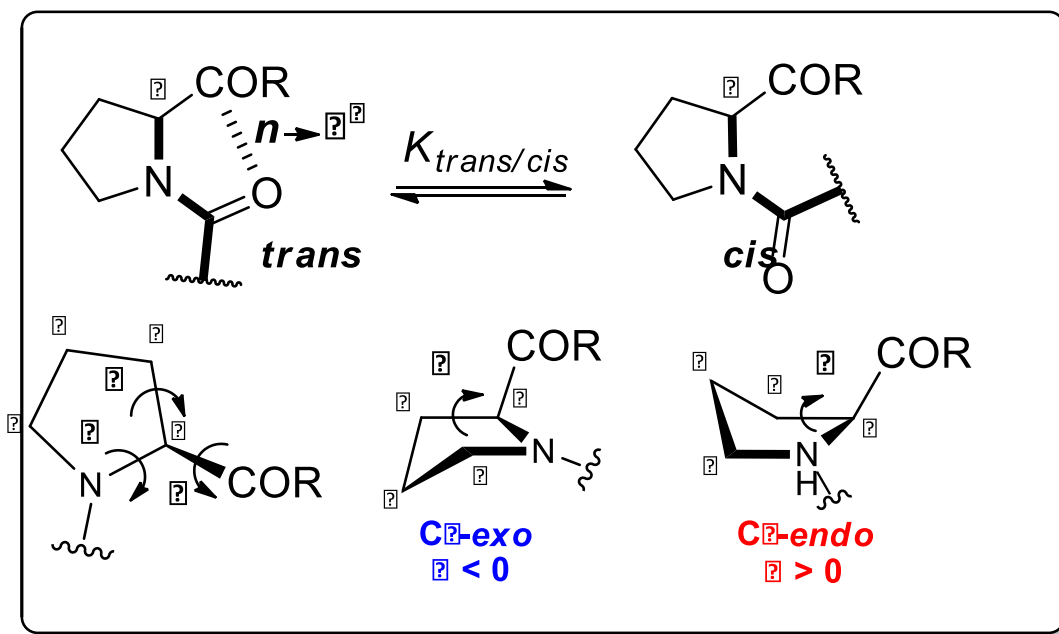


<sup>a</sup>Ratios were determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR analysis of the crude materials and yields were obtained after purification. <sup>b</sup> From TLC analysis, the reaction did not achieve full conversion over a period of 24 h. <sup>c</sup> Full conversion within 16 h by TLC analysis. <sup>d</sup> No conversion was observed by TLC analysis, after 24 h.

with Chénard, E. *Org Lett.* **2014**, *16*, 2668

# Concept:

## Stereoelectronic effects in proline amides



*cis*-bonded AA

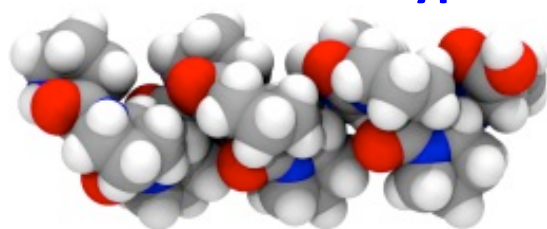
less than 1 %

*cis*-bonded Pro

around 6 %

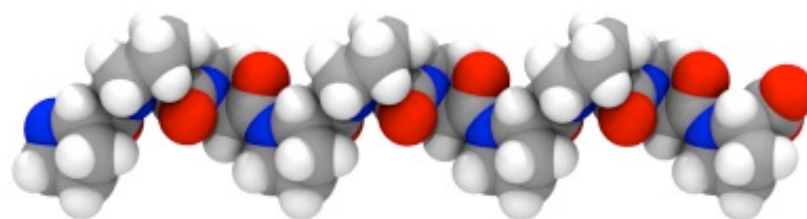
### Polyproline I and II helical conformations

PPI



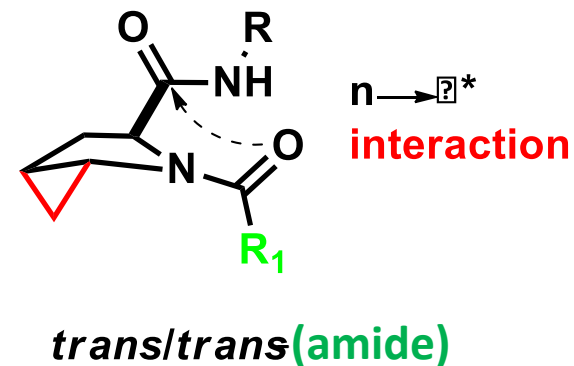
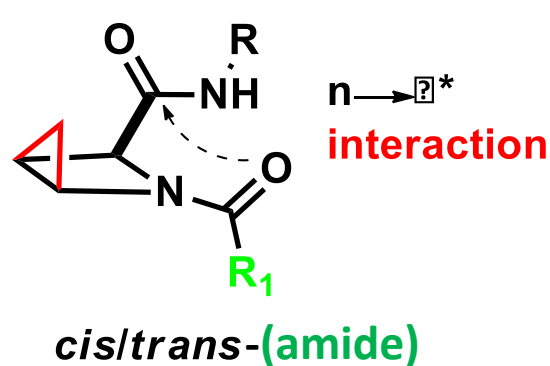
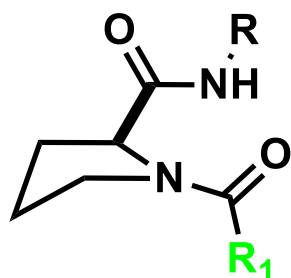
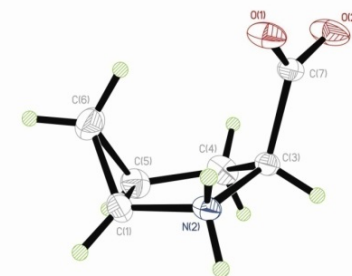
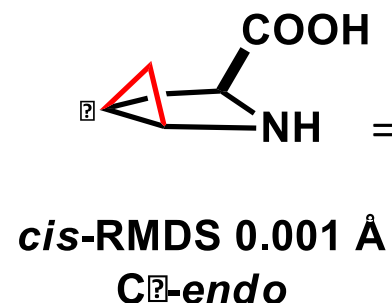
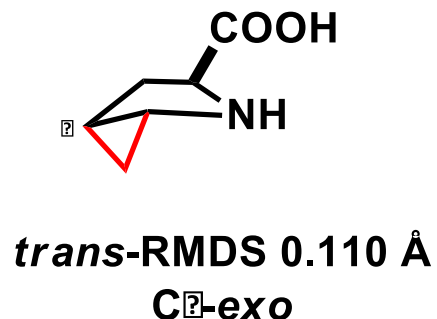
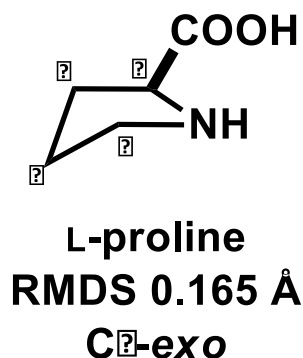
Looser left handed-helix  
with all-*trans* amide bonded residues  
and a helical pitch of ca. 9.4 Å

PPII



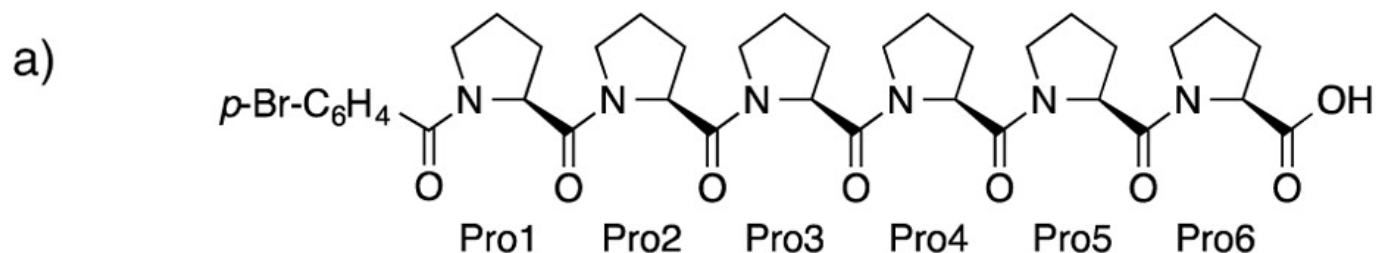
Compact right-handed helix  
with all-*cis* amide bonded residues  
and a helical pitch of 5.6 Å

# Proline 4,5-methanologues: structural and stereoelectronic properties

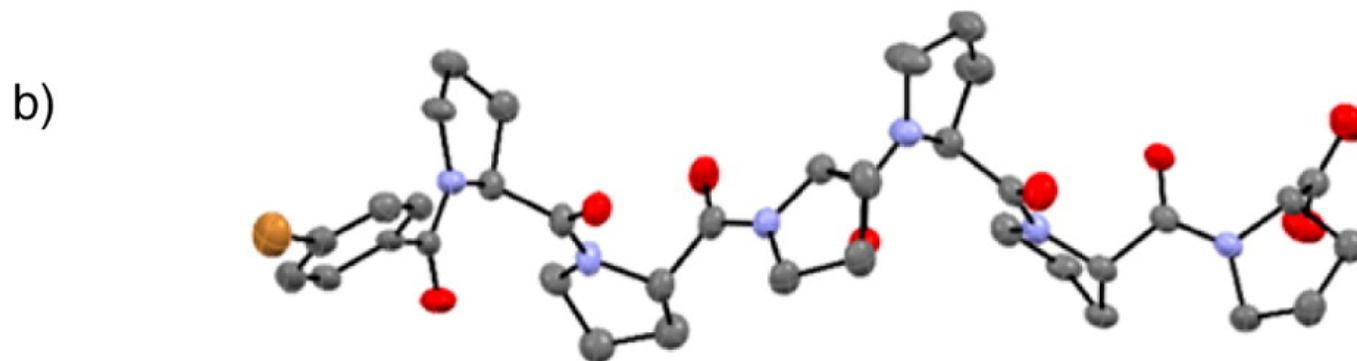


‘Proline Methanologues: Design, Synthesis, Structural Properties and Applications in Medicinal Chemistry,’ Vilchis-Reyes, M. A.; Hanessian, S.  
in ‘Topics in Heterocyclic Chemistry, Lubell, W. Ed, 2015, pp1-45

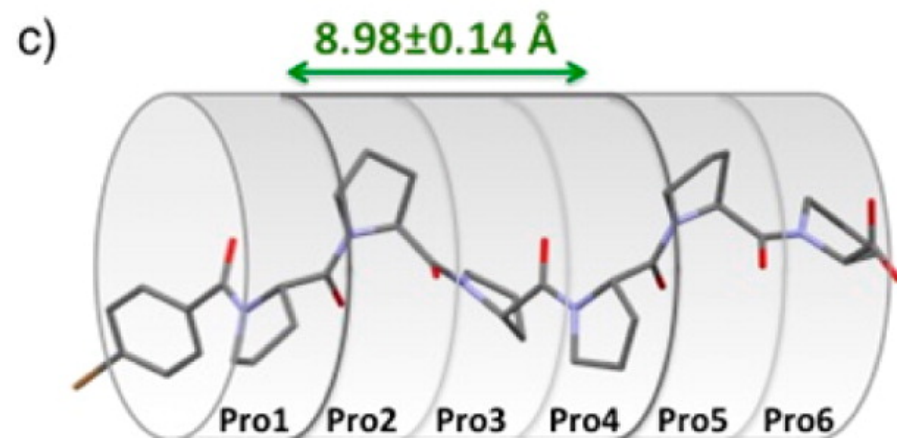
## Polyproline II helix: a crystal structure, at last



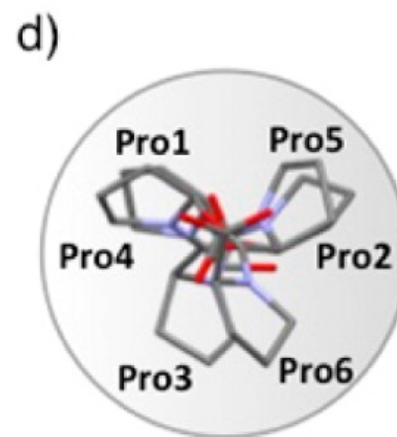
(a) Hexaproline  $p\text{-Br-C}_6\text{H}_4\text{-Pro}_6\text{-OH}$ .



(b) Crystal structure (ORTEP).



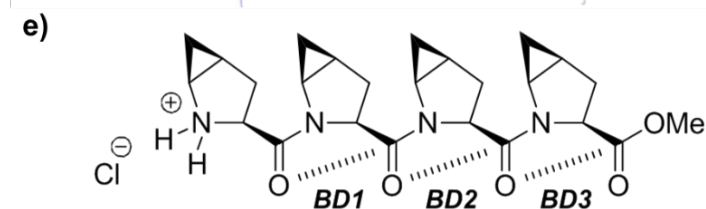
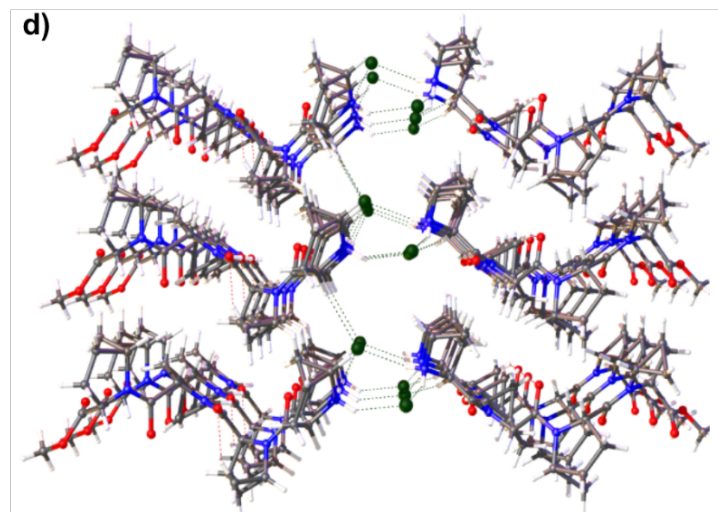
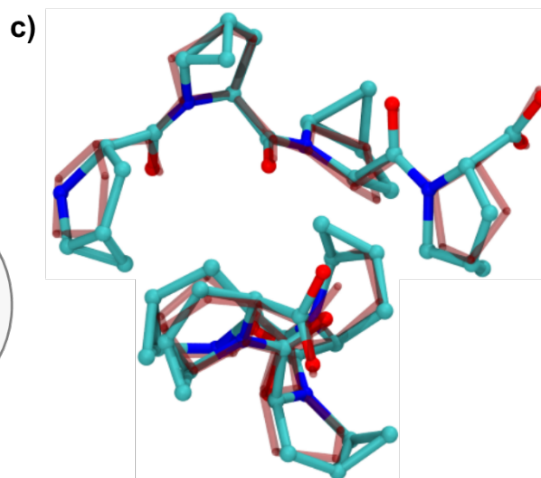
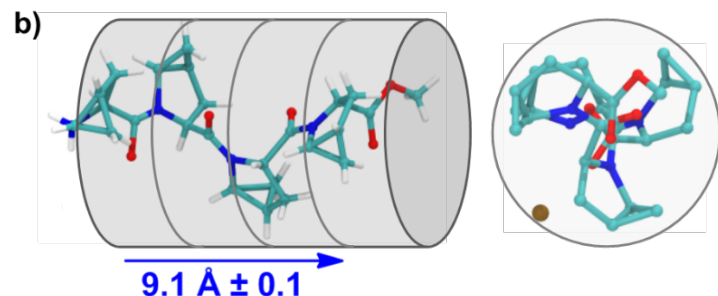
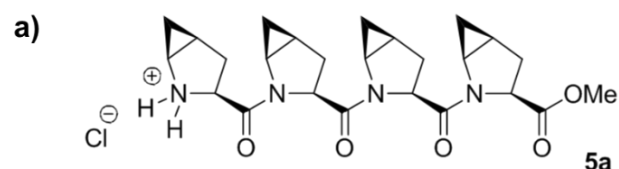
(c) Segmental side view.



(d) View along the axis.

Wennemers, H. et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2014**, 136, 15829;  
see also Madalengoitia, J. et al. *J. Org. Chem.* **2001**, 66, 455

# The shortest proline oligomer to adopt a PPII helical shape



**Bürgi-Dunitz distances and trajectories:**

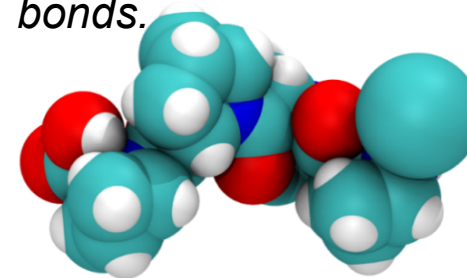
$\phi_{BD1} = 95.2^\circ$   $\phi_{BD2} = 91.1^\circ$   $\phi_{BD3} = 92.4^\circ$   
 $d_2 = 3.06 \text{ Å}$   $d_2 = 3.18 \text{ Å}$   $d_2 = 3.12 \text{ Å}$

(a) Tetrameric cis-4,5-methano-L-proline methyl ester hydrochloride

(b) Side-view and view along the helical axis of the crystal structure showing a typical polyproline II helix conformation.

(c) Hexameric oligoproline from Wennemers et al.

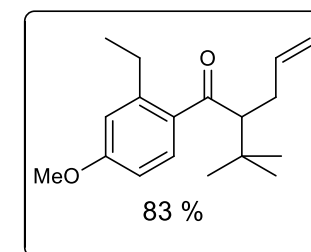
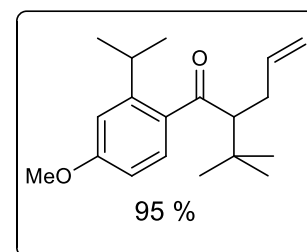
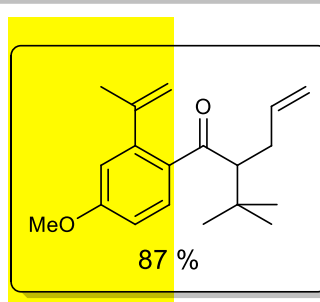
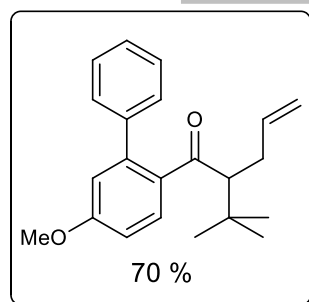
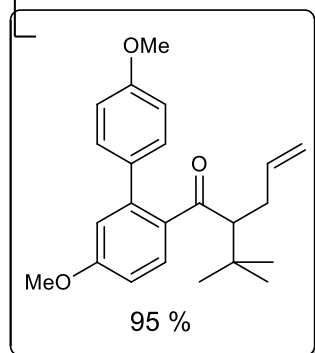
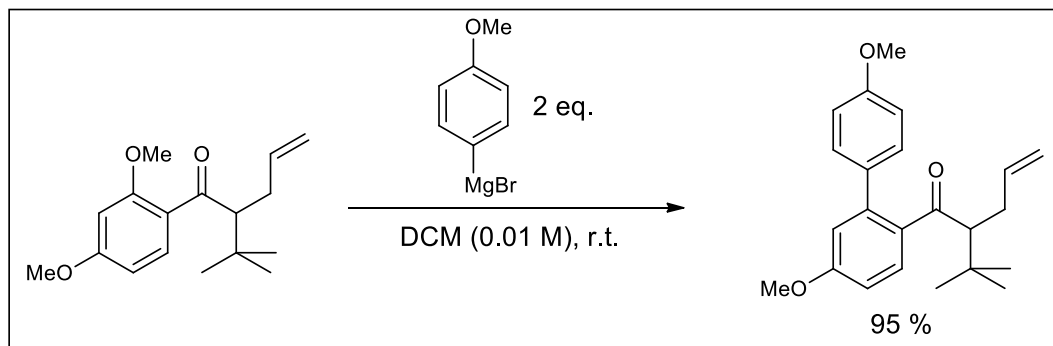
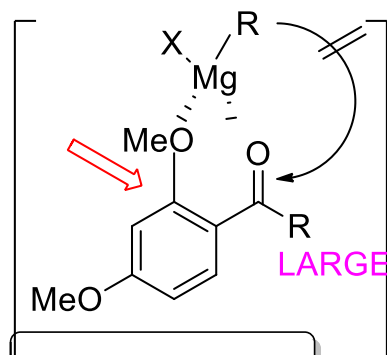
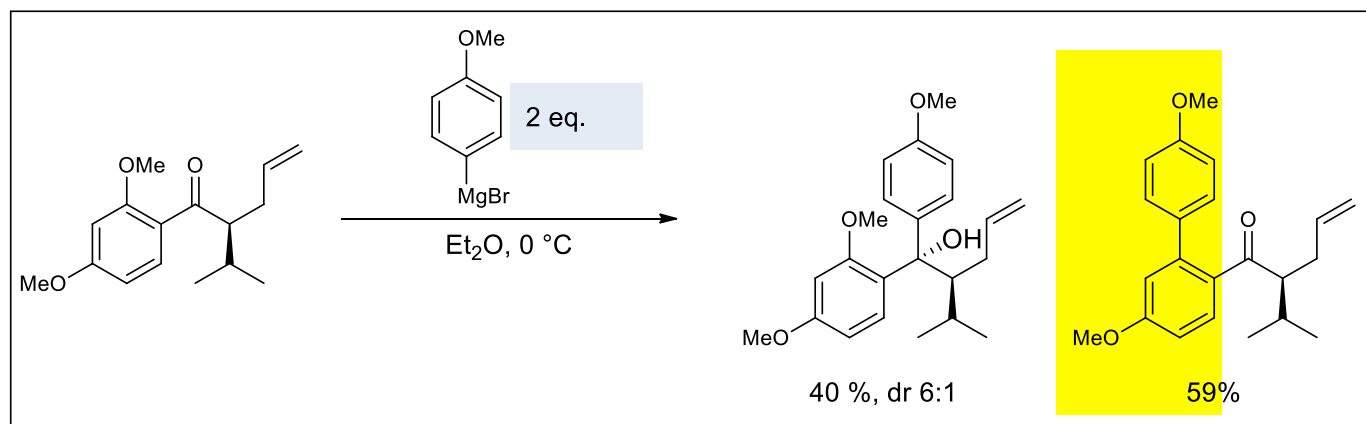
(d) Packing shows central chloride ions interacting with surrounding N-H and C $_{\alpha}$ -H bonds.



with Berger, G.; Vilchis, M. *Angewandte Chem. Int. Ed.* **2015**, 54, 13268

**Logic and knowledge-based ideas**

# 1,4- Aromatic alkylation via methoxy activation: **An AHA moment!**



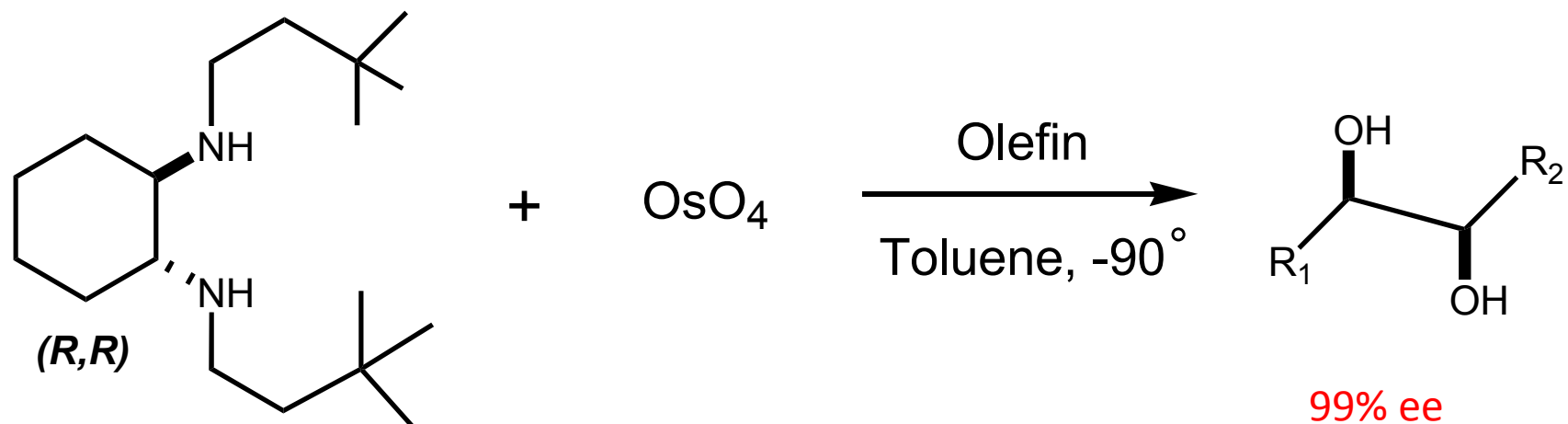
with Grélier, G.; Chénard, E.; Buschleb, M. *Synthesis*, **2015**, 47, 1317

See also: Jimenez-Oses, G.; Brockway, A. J.; Shaw, J. T.; Houk, K. N. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **2013**, 135, 6633; Fuson, R. C.; Speck, S. B. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **1942**, 64, 2446

**Chance-based outcomes**



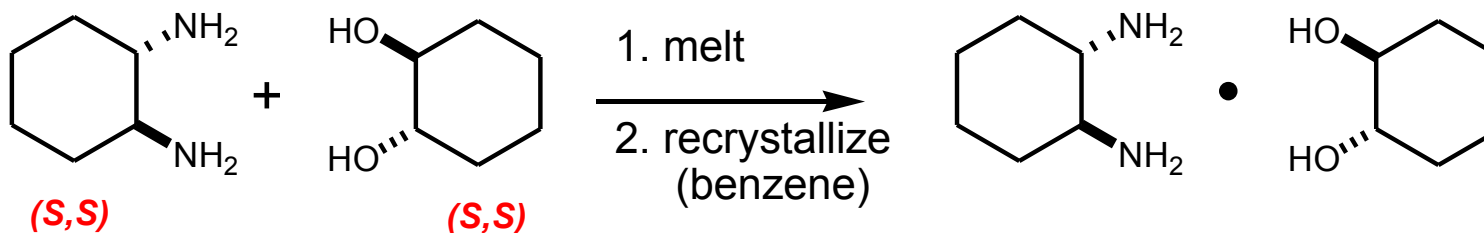
## 1,2-*trans* (*R,R*)-Diaminocyclohexane (DACH) as a ligand in asymmetric synthesis



NMR of crude product showed new entity comprising the diamine and the diol

with Meffre P., Girard M., Beaudoin S., Sanceau J. Y., Bennani Y.,  
*J. Org. Chem.* **1993**, 58, 1991.

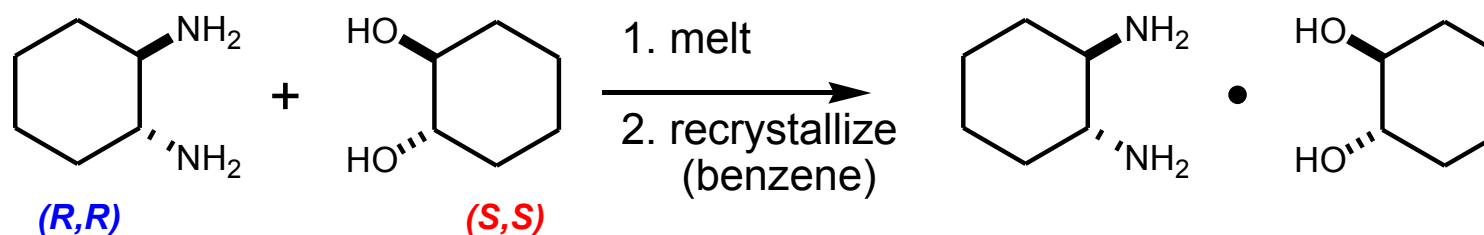
## What is the nature of the “complex”?



**HOMOCHIRAL**

mp 78-79°

$[\alpha]_D +38.2^\circ$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)



**HETEROCHIRAL**

mp 63-65°

$[\alpha]_D -1^\circ$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>)

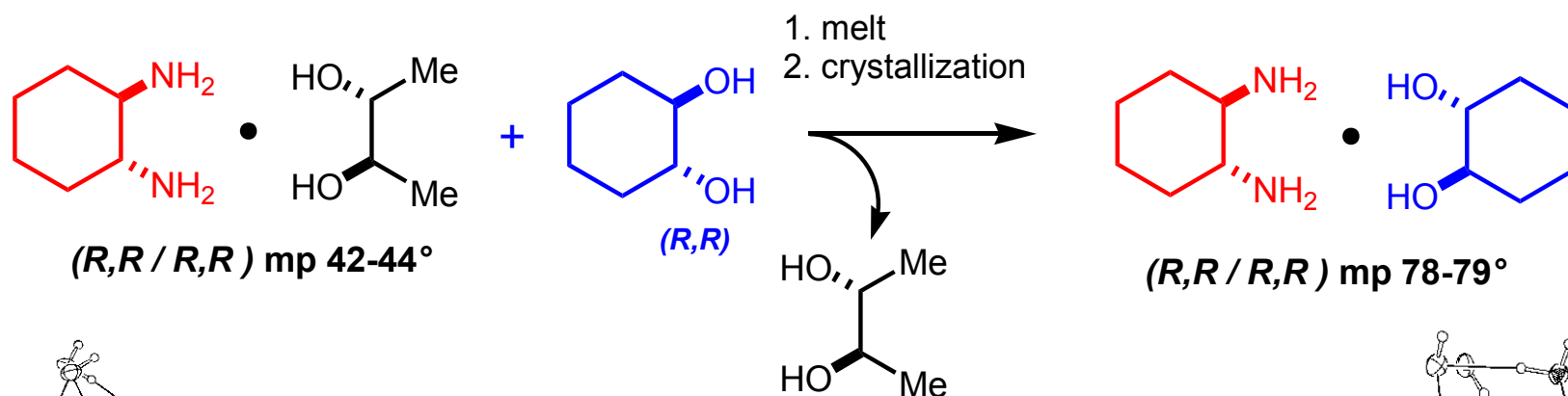
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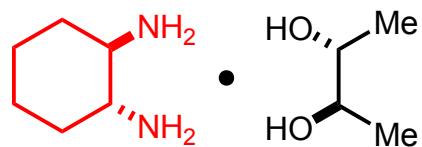
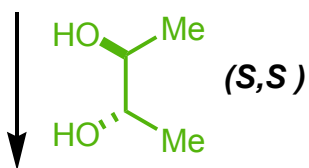
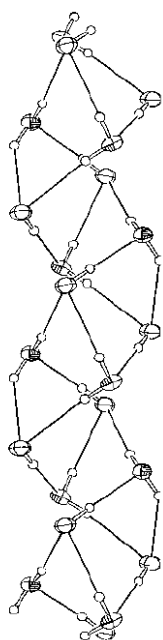
with Saladino, R., Margarita, R., Simard, M. *Chem. Eur. J.* **1999**, 5, 2169.

Saladino, R., Hanessian S. In *Crystal Design: Structure and Function*, “Molecular Recognition and Self-Assembly Between Amines and Alcohols (Supraminols)”, Chapter 2, Ed. G.R. Desiraju, John Wiley, 77-151 (2003).

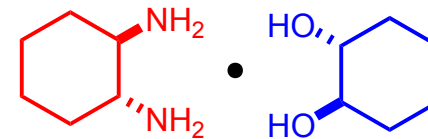
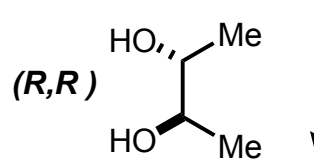
# Dominant supraminols



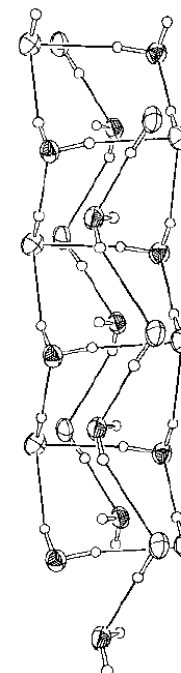
**Fully H-bonded NH<sub>2</sub> and OH  
core structures**



**unchanged**

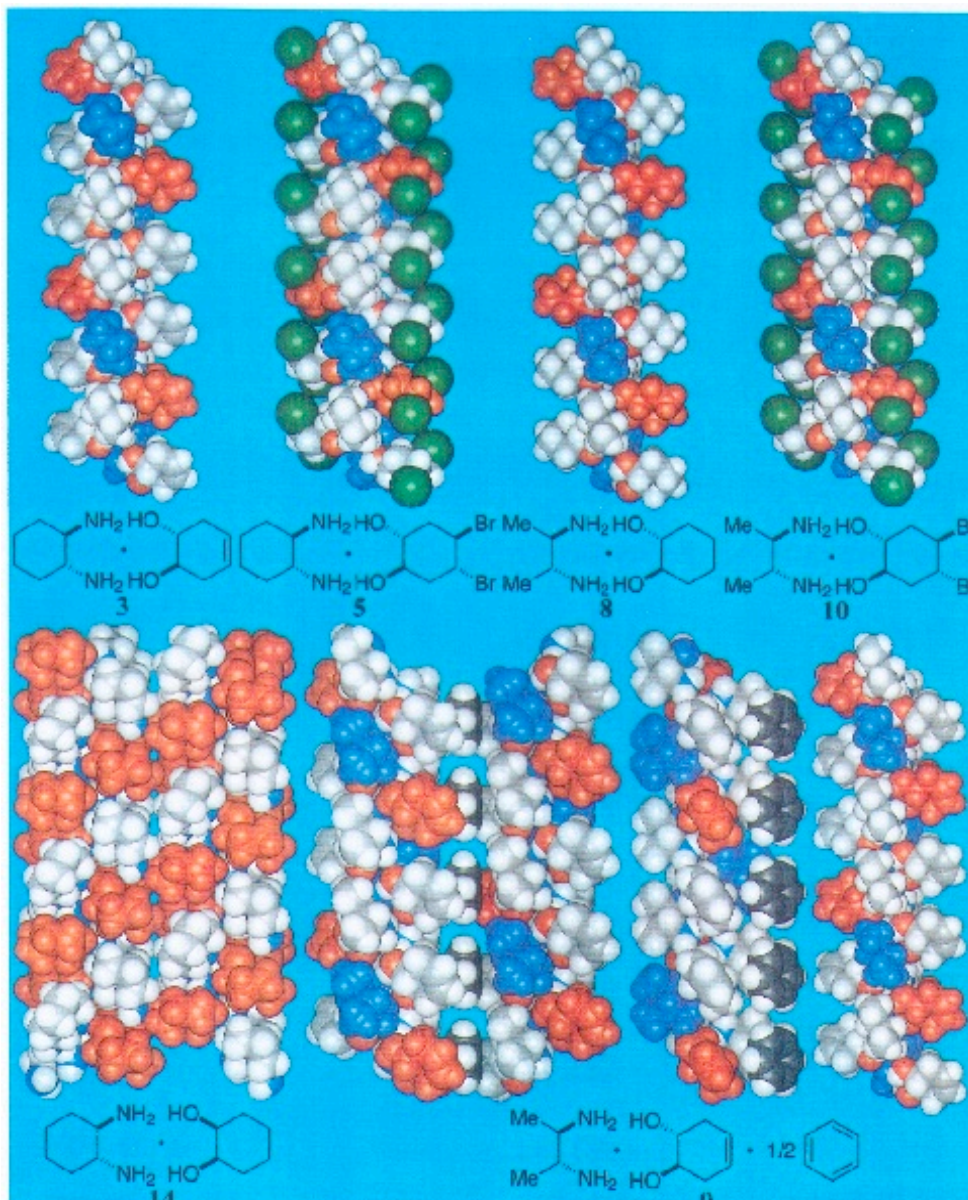


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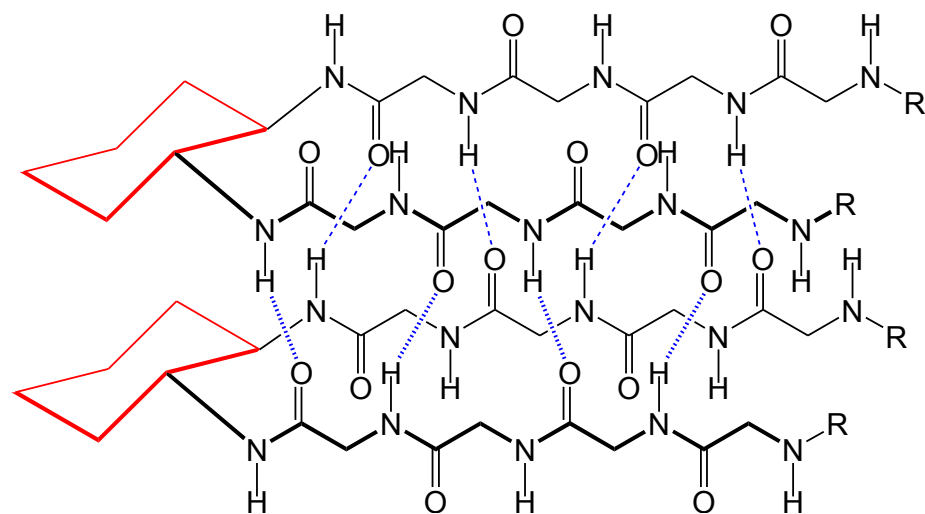


# The power of observation and open-eyed serendipity:

## *Supraminols*

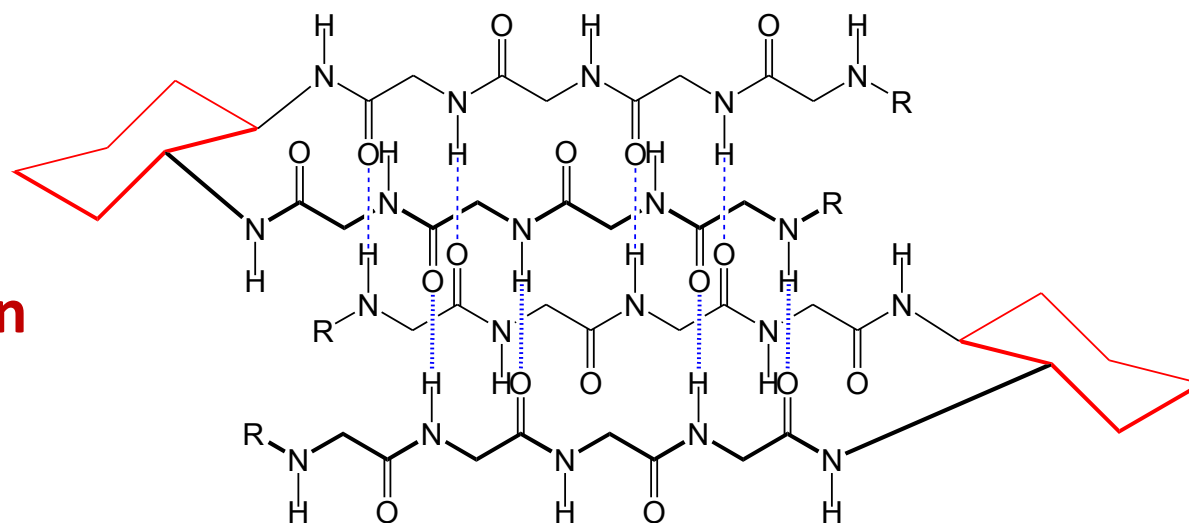


Objective: beta sheets with *bis*- L,D- tripeptides anchored on 1,2-*trans*-DACH Superstructures

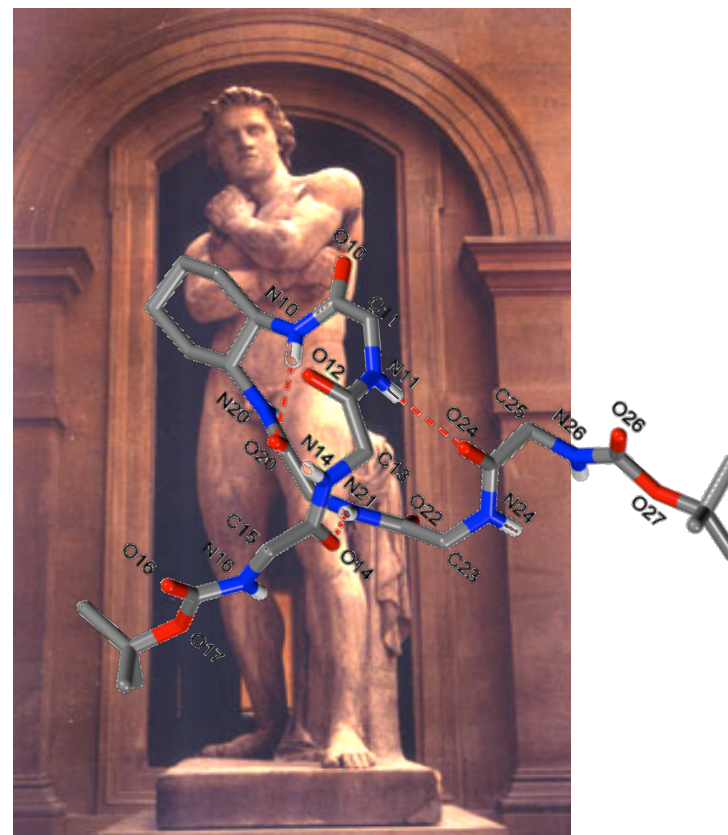
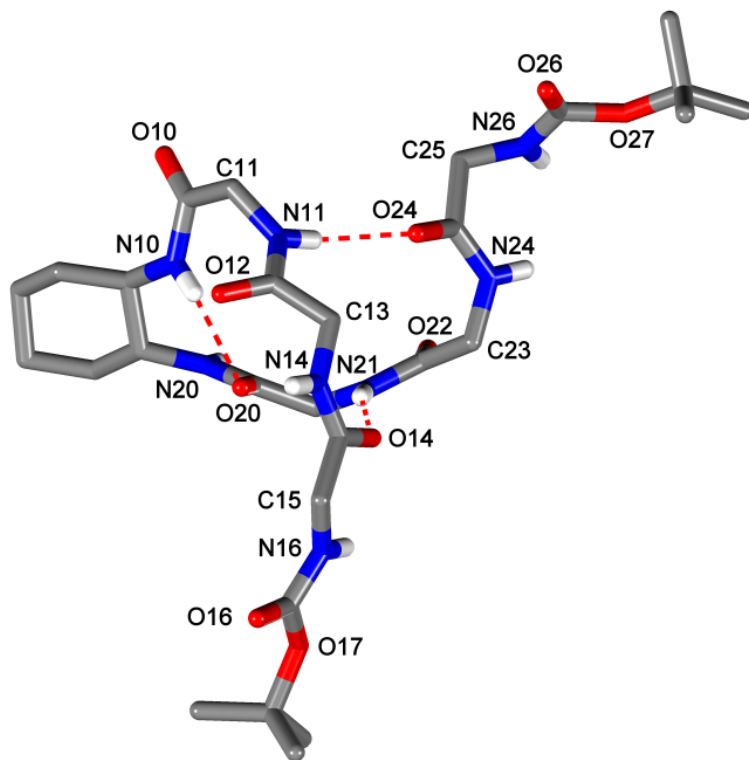
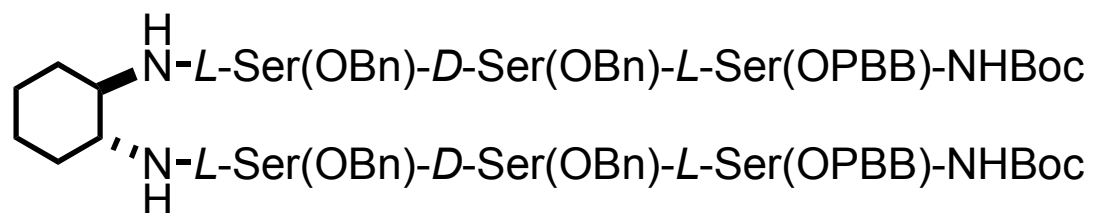


Head-to-head orientation

Head-to-tail orientation



# Self-embracing peptide arms



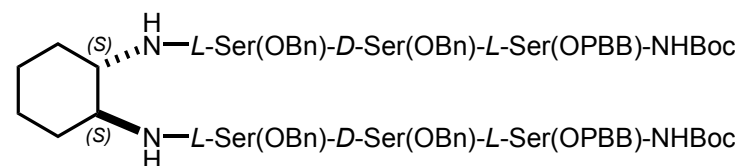
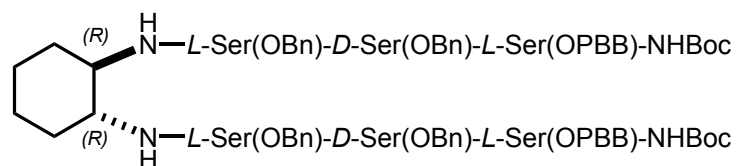
Foyatier's Spartacus

X-ray structure of an individual 1*R*,2*R*- DACH-bis-tripeptide showing intramolecularly H-bonded strands that cross over each other like the self-embracing arms of Foyatier's statue of Spartacus.

Side-chains and hydrogen atoms (except those attached to nitrogen) have been omitted for clarity. Two distinct but similar conformations A and B are observed in the crystal; only one is shown.



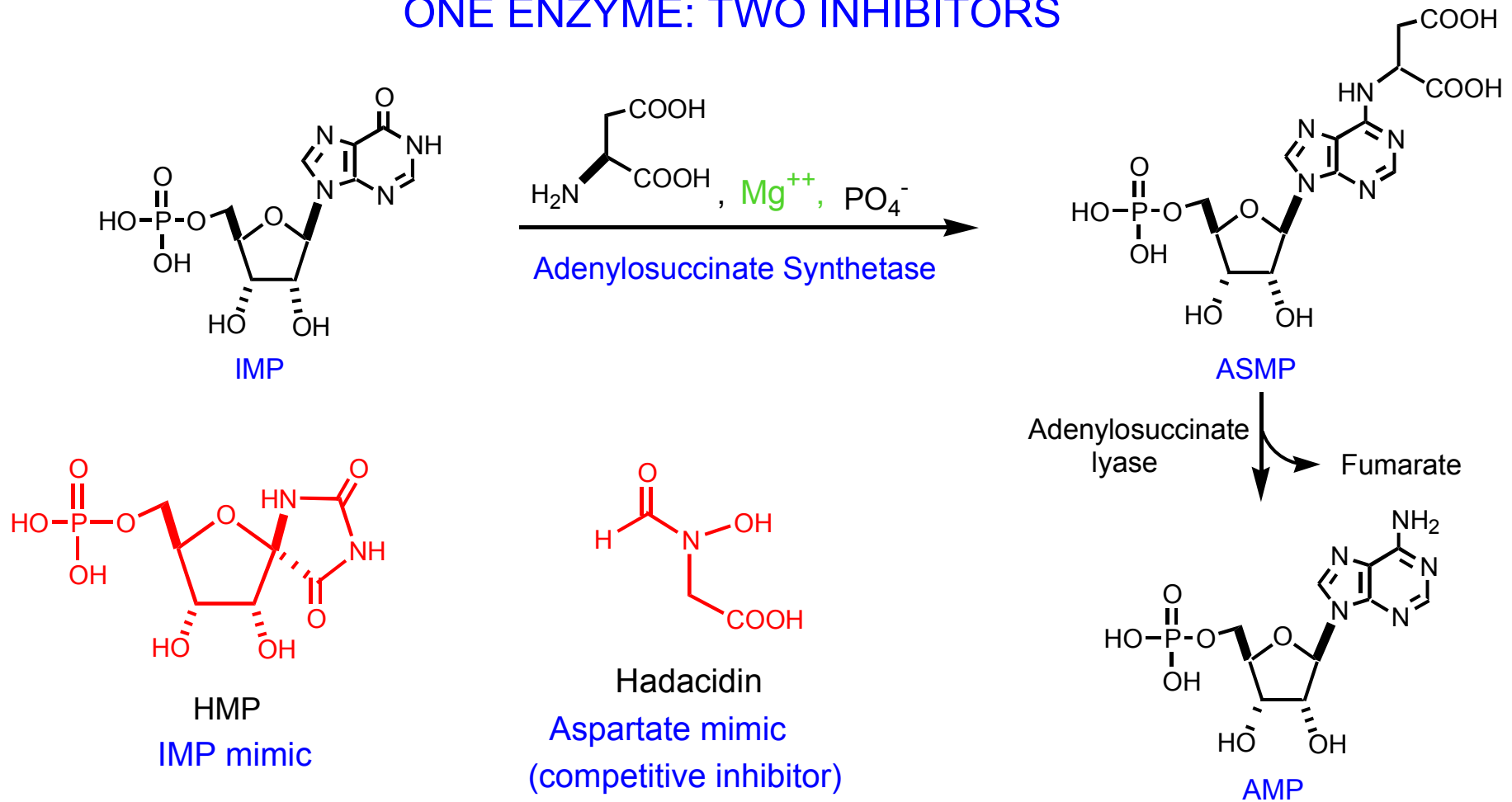
# 1,2-*R,R* DACH vs 1,2-*S,S* DACH



**Selected vignettes exploring the third dimension**



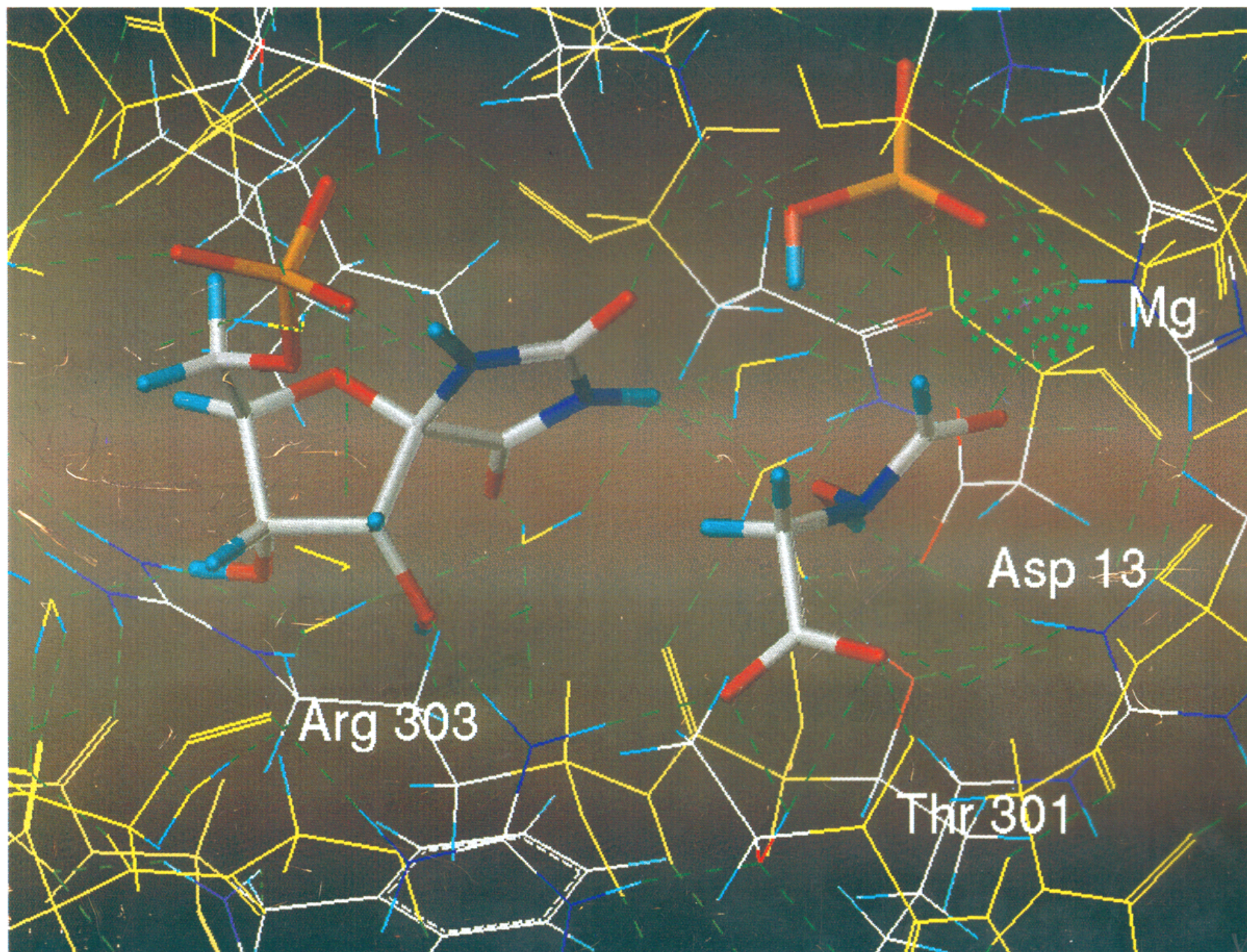
## ONE ENZYME: TWO INHIBITORS



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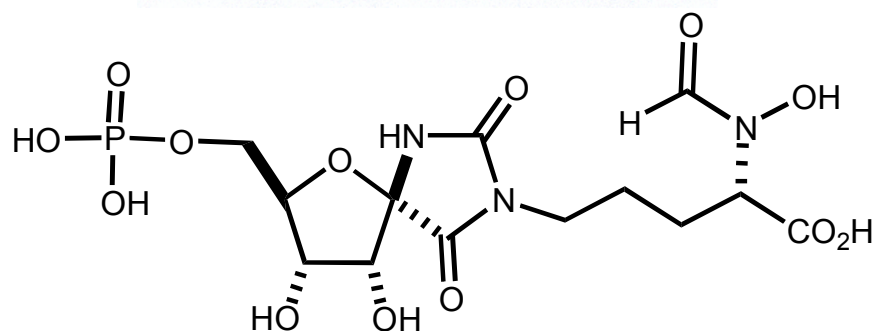
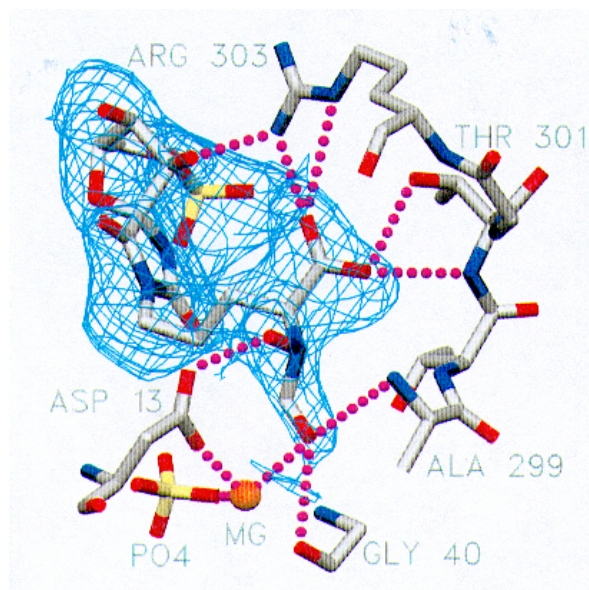
S. W. Cowan-Jacob  
Novartis Crop Protection







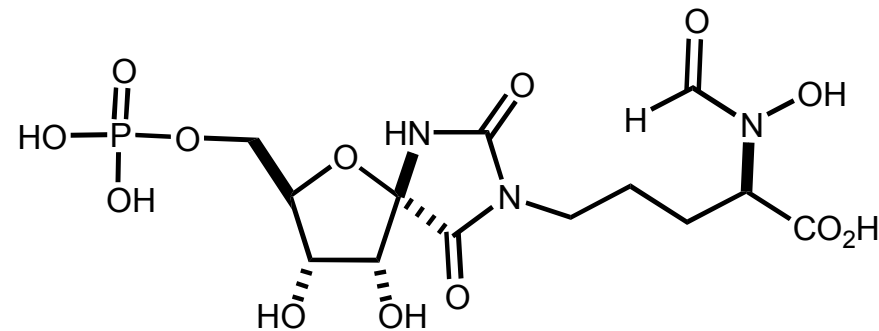
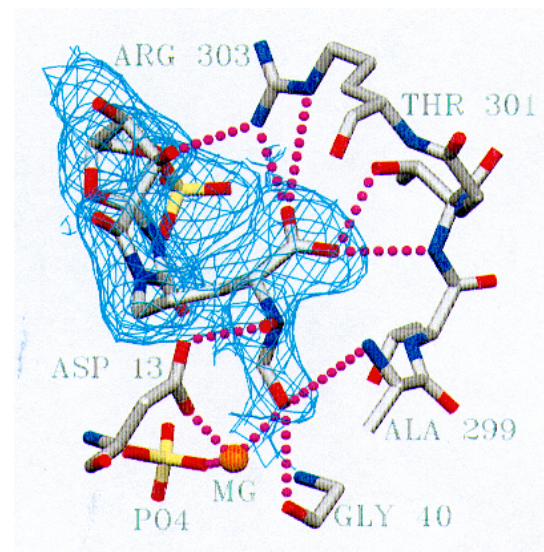
## AdSS - *S*-hybrid Complex



*S*-hybrid

$K_i = 43 \text{ nM}$  (*E. coli* AdSS)

## AdSS - *R*-hybrid Complex

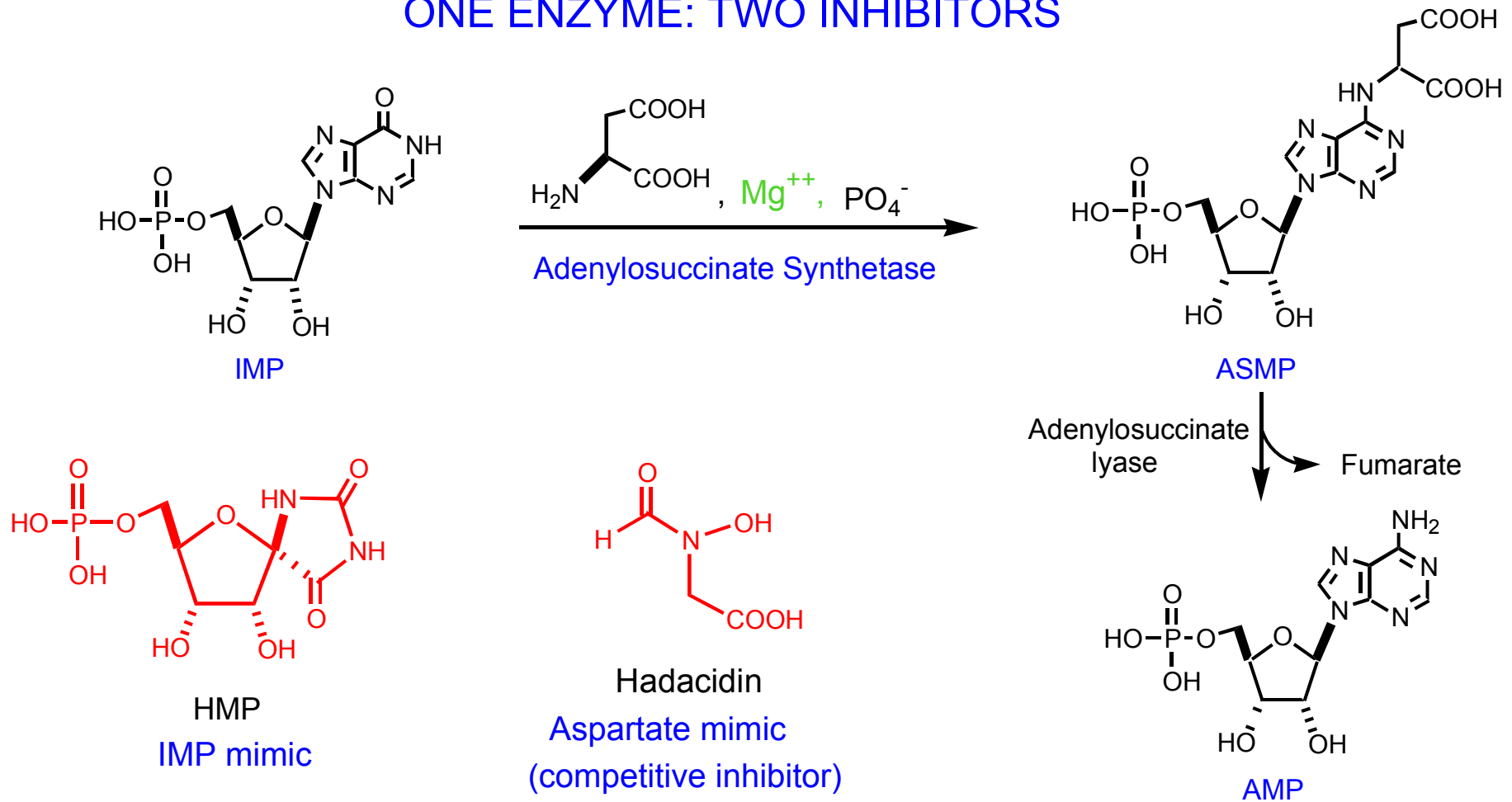


*R*-hybrid

$K_i = 665 \text{ nM}$  (*E. coli* AdSS)

with Lu, P.-P.; Sancéau, J.-Y.; Chemla, P.; Keigo, G.; Fonne-Pfister, R.; Prade, L.; Cowan-Jacob, S. W. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **1999**, 38, 3159

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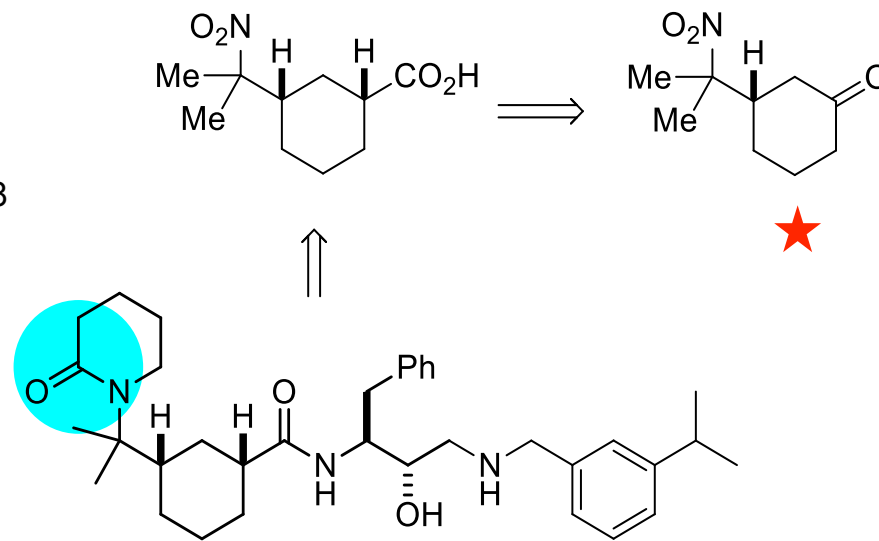
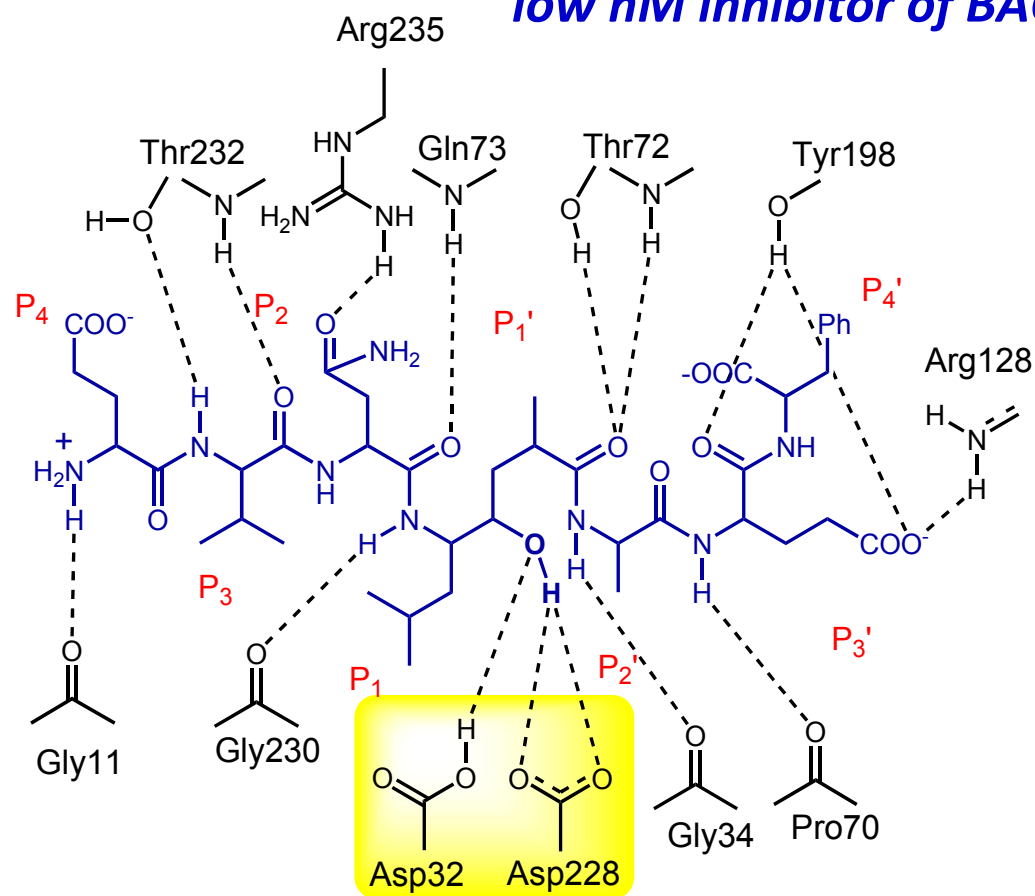


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## Novartis (Basel) collaboration (2003-2010)

*From Tang's heptapeptide to a 'designed' minimally peptidic low nM inhibitor of BACE-1 (Alzheimer's disease)*



**Synthetic prototype**

**IC<sub>50</sub> 2 nM**

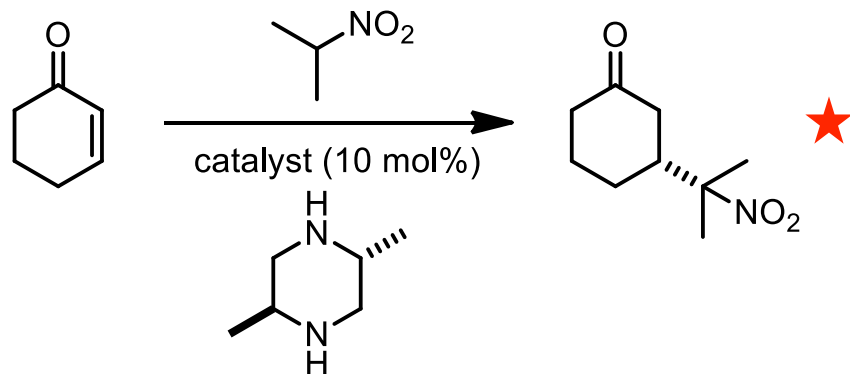
**OM99-2** Tang, J.; et al. *Science* 2000, 290, 150

**IC<sub>50</sub> 1-2 nM**

*The N-acetyl analog shows uM activity!*

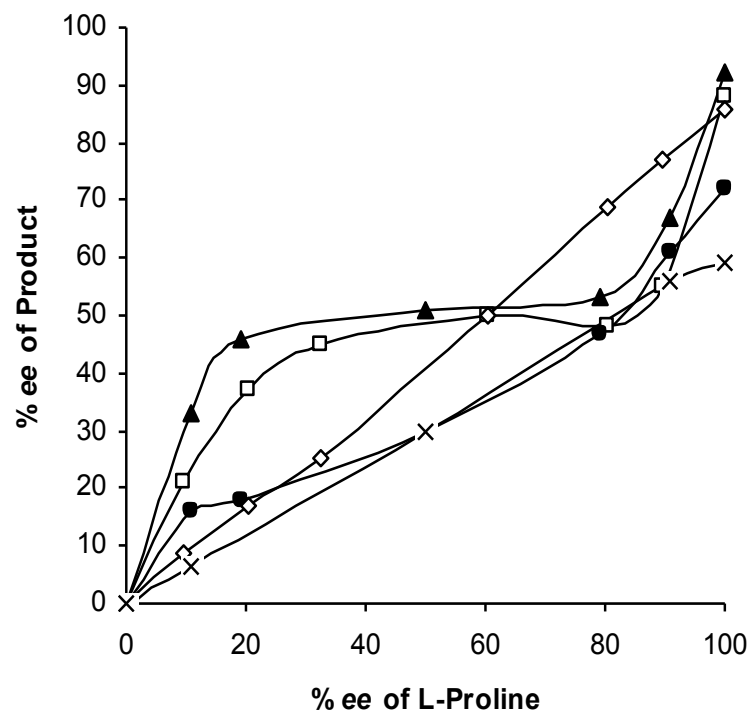
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Shao, Z.; Betschart, C.; Rondeau, J-M.; Neumann, U.; Tintelnnot-Bromley, M. *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* **2010**, 20, 1924.

# Metal-free, organocatalytic nitroalkane conjugate addition



| catalyst | ee (%) | yield (%) |
|----------|--------|-----------|
|          | 89     | 83        |
|          | 99     | 92        |
|          | 75     | 52        |
|          | 75     | 78        |
|          | 81     | 65        |

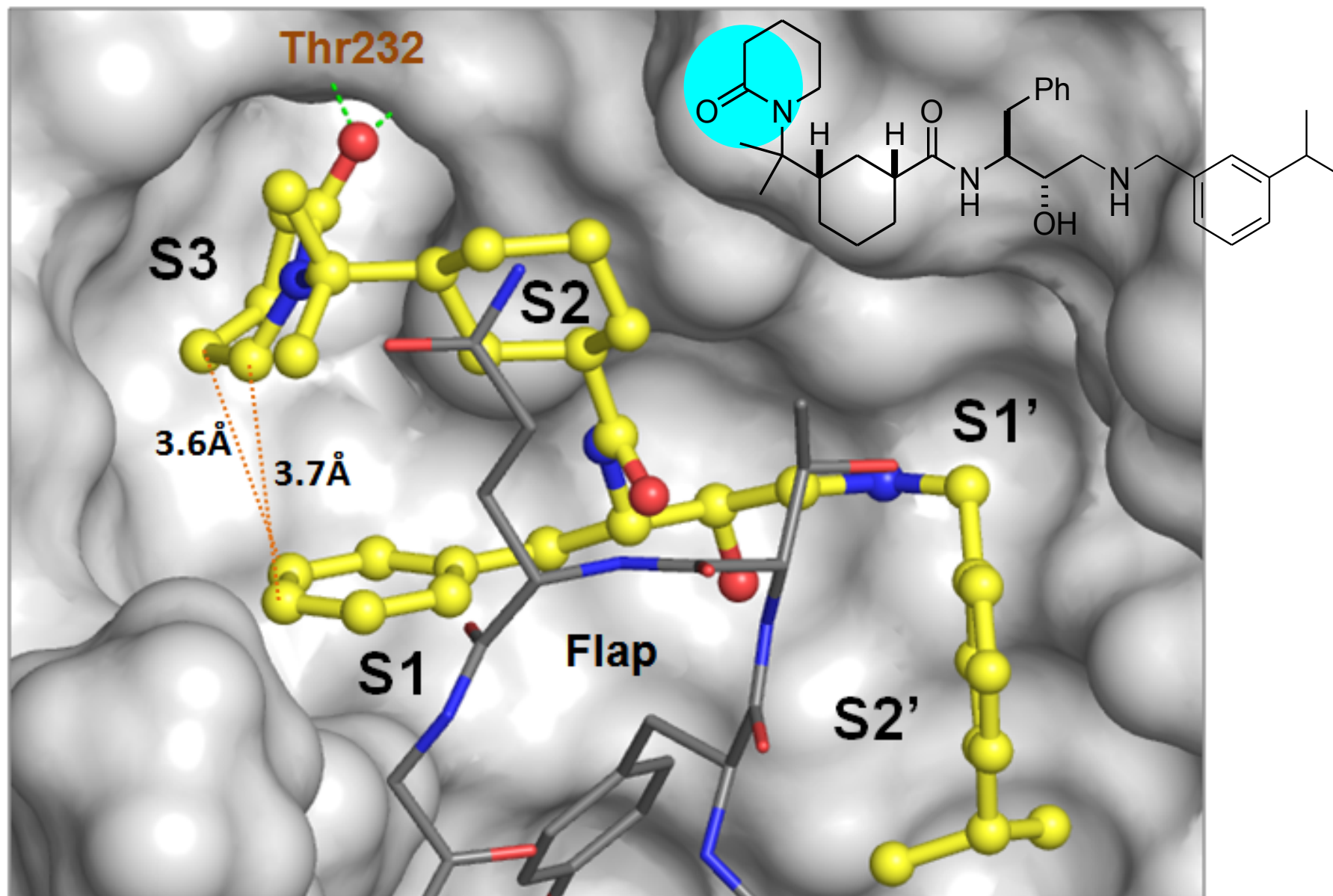
Non-linear effects in the addition of 2-nitropropane to 2-cyclohexenone



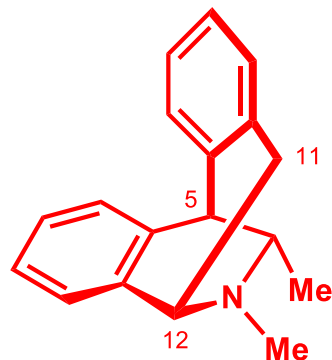
- ▲ 2,5-Dimethylpiperazine (80% mole eq)
  - P iperazine (80% mole eq)
  - Quinine (3% mole eq)
  - ◇ P iperidine (80% mole eq)
  - × R b P rolinat e (3% mole eq)
- Yamaguchi, 57 % ee**

with Pham, V. *Org. Lett.* **2000**, 2, 2975;  
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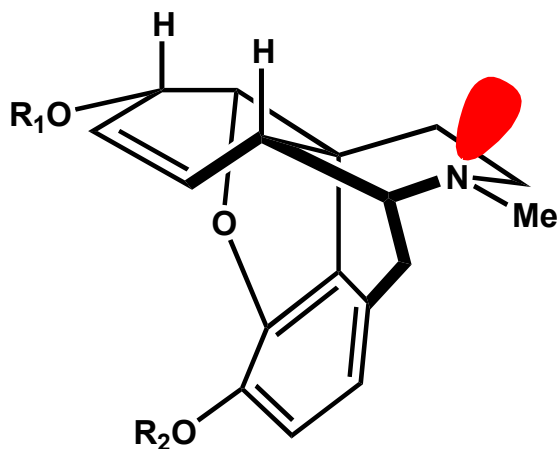
## X-Ray co-crystal structure with human BACE 1



# The power of visual imagery and 'seeing' the third dimension



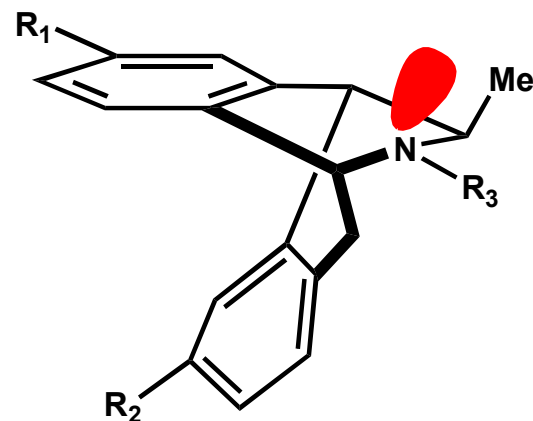
Isopavine A



$R_1, R_2 = H$ ; Morphine

$R_1 = Me$ ;  $R_2 = H$ ; Codeine

$R_1, R_2 = Me$ ; Thebaine



Isopavine

$R_1, R_2 = H, OH, OMe$  combinations

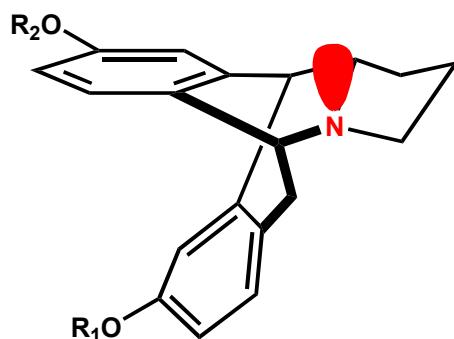
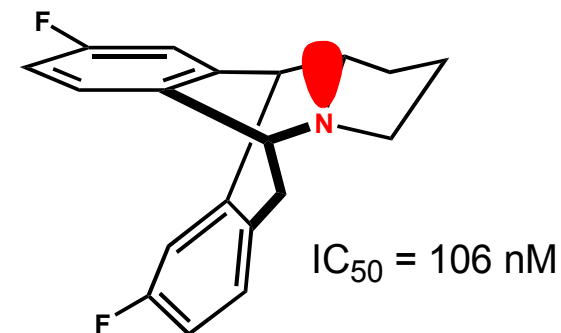
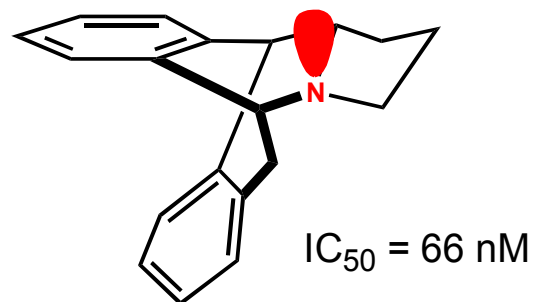
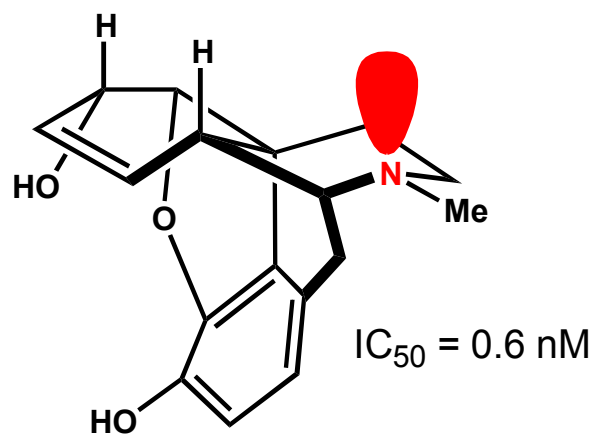
$R_3 = \text{Alkyl, cycloalkyl}$

with Mauduit M. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **40**, 3810 (2001)

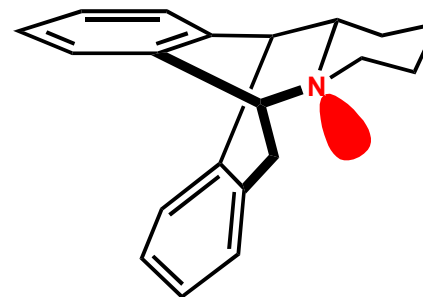
with Parthasarathy, S.; Mauduit, M.; Payza, K. *J. Med. Chem.* 2003, **46**, 31



## It's the Lone Pair ! God's gift to nitrogen



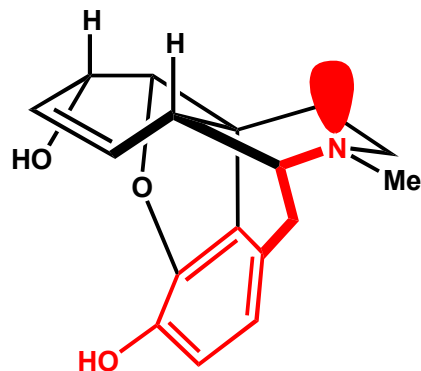
$R_1, R_2 = H$  (morphine like)  
 $R_1 = H; R_2 = Me$  (codeine like)  
 $R_1, R_2 = Me$  (thebaine like)



$IC_{50} = 264$  nM

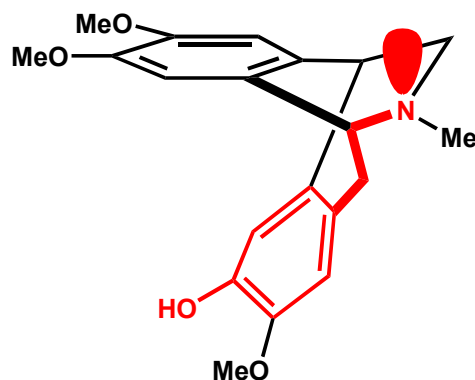
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# Unnatural Enantiomer of Thalispavine as Potential Morphinomimetics ?

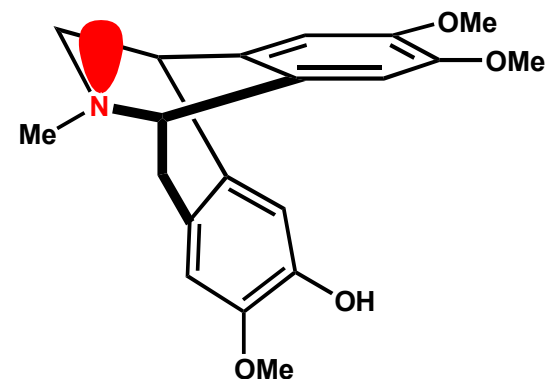


Morphine  
natural enantiomer

$IC_{50} = 0.6 \text{ nM}$



(+)-Thalispavine  
unnatural isopavine alkaloid

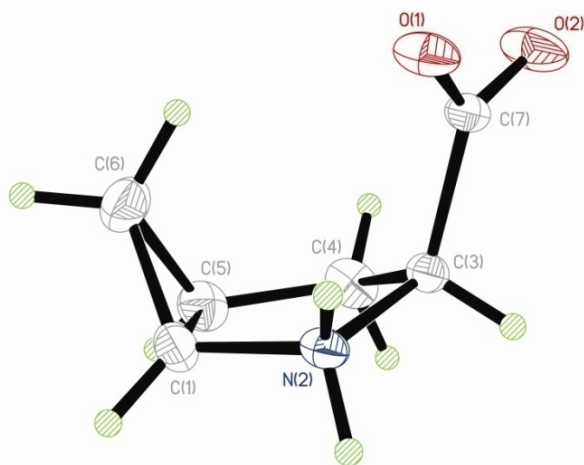


(-)-Thalispavine  
natural isopavine alkaloid

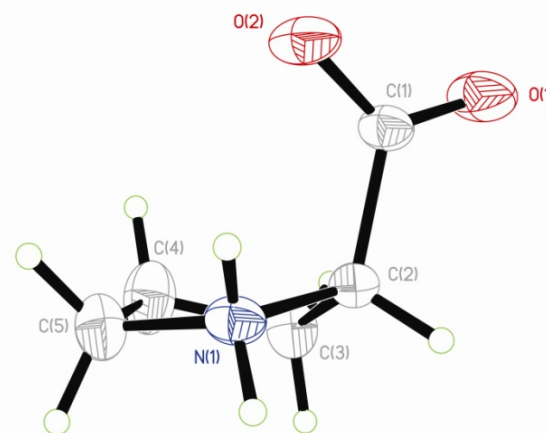
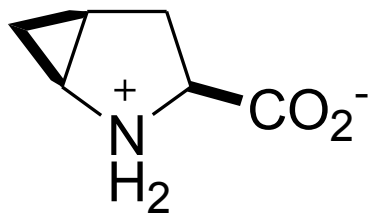
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# From concept to market:

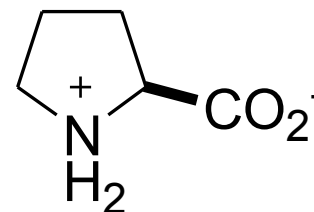
## The *flattening* of proline



**$R_{ms} = 0.001\text{\AA}$**   
 **$C3 = 0.325\text{\AA}$**

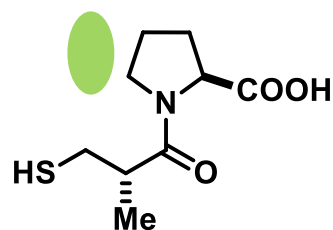


**$R_{ms} = 0.161\text{\AA}$**   
 **$C2 = -0.389\text{\AA}$**

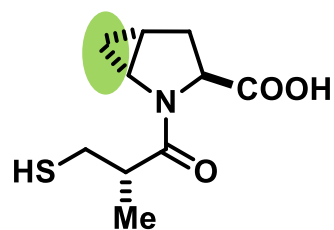


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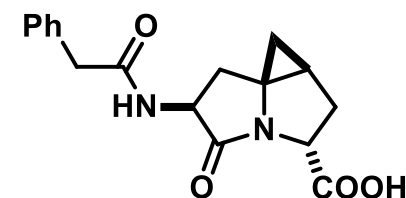
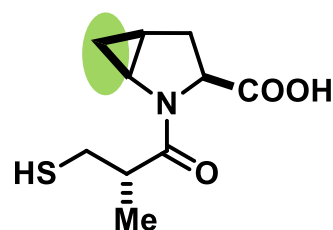
# Consequences of constraining the pyrrolidine ring in drug design: *Proline 4,5-methanologues*



**Captopril**



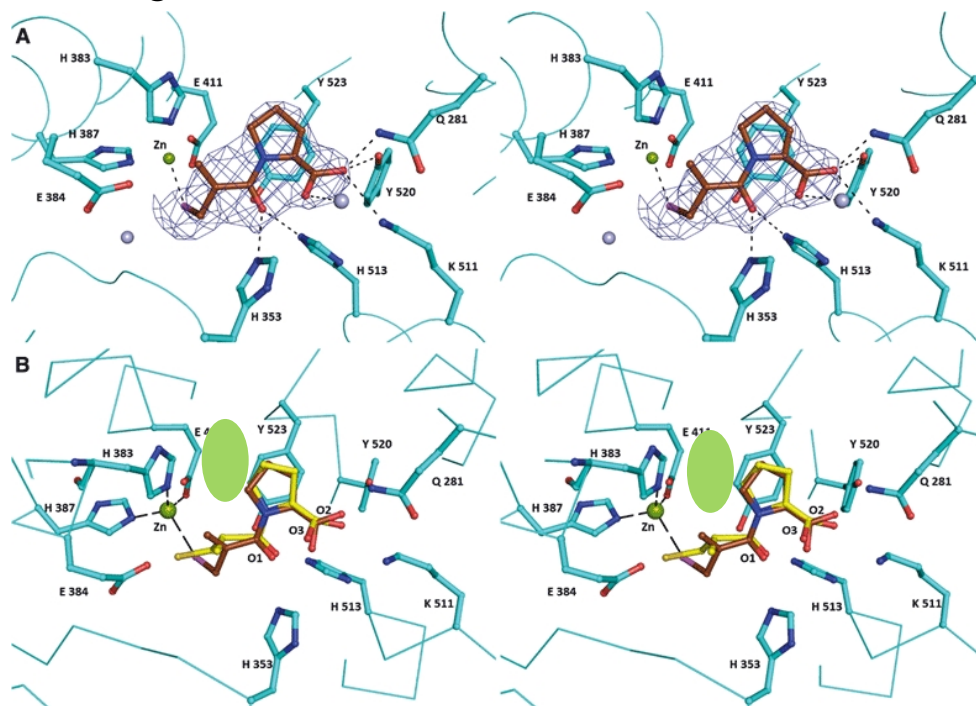
**ACE inhibitors**



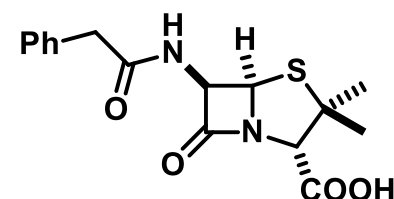
**Activity of ceftazidime is enhanced**

with Reinhold, U.; Saulnier, S.; Claridge, S.  
*Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* **1998**, 8, 213

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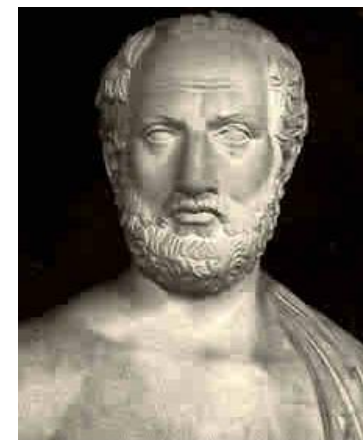
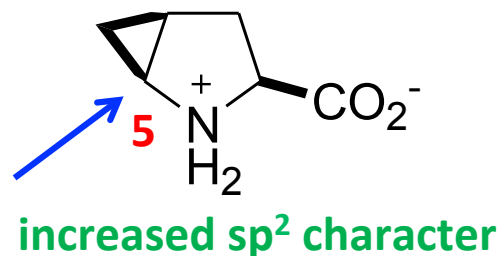
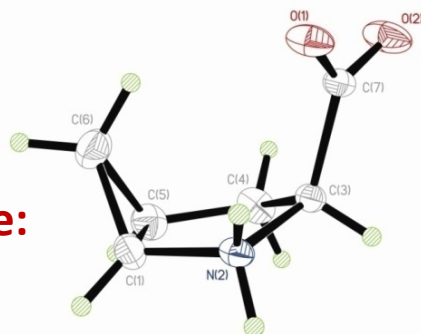


**Penicillin G**

ACE co-crystal structure with captopril

## Marketed antidiabetic drug

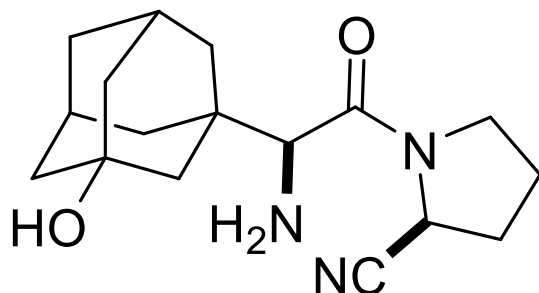
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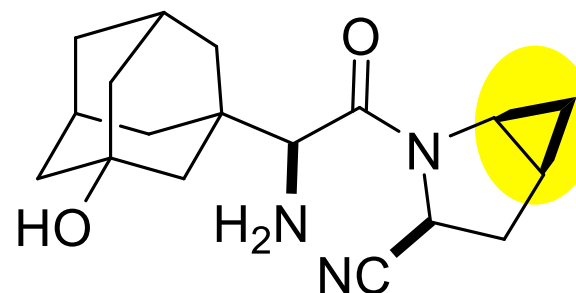
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The present:



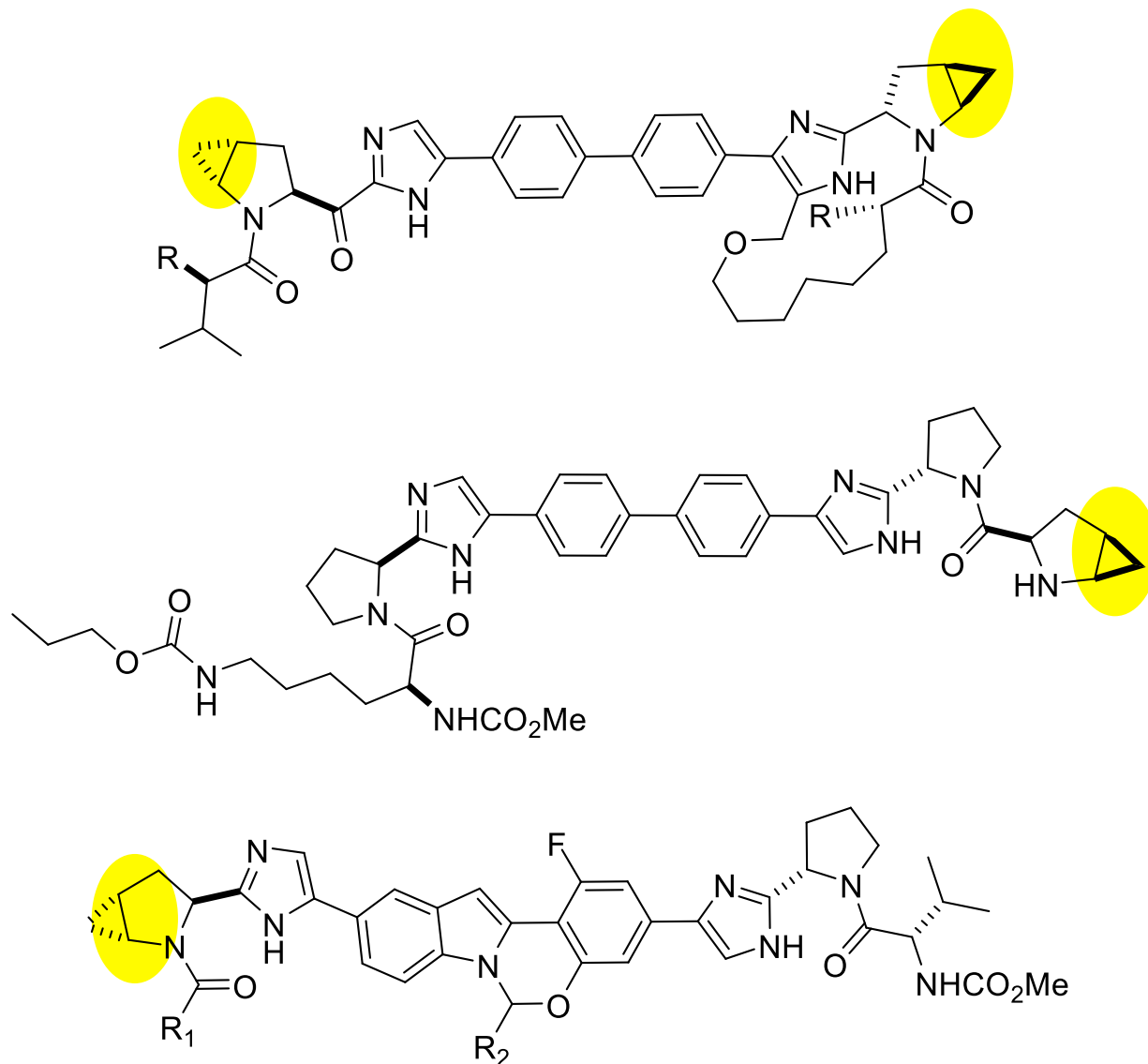
Shorter half-life



**Onglyza (saxagliptin)**  
**BMS; AstraZeneca**

**Onglyza reviews:** Robl, J. A.; Hamann, L. G. *Acc. Drug Discov.* The Royal Society, 2011, 1-  
Duez, H.; Cariou, B.; Staels, B. *Biochem.Pharmacol.* **2012**, 83, 823; Gwaltney, S. L. II ; Stafford, J.A  
*Ann.Rep. Med.Chem.* **2005**, 40 156

## *Cis*-and *trans*-4,5-methano-L-prolines and Hepatitis C activity



BMS, Enanta, Merck patents: US 2011 8623814 B2; WO 2013 052362 A1; WO 2012041014 A1

## **Lessons from nature and natural products**



Stephen Hanessian, Simon Giroux,  
and Bradley L. Merner

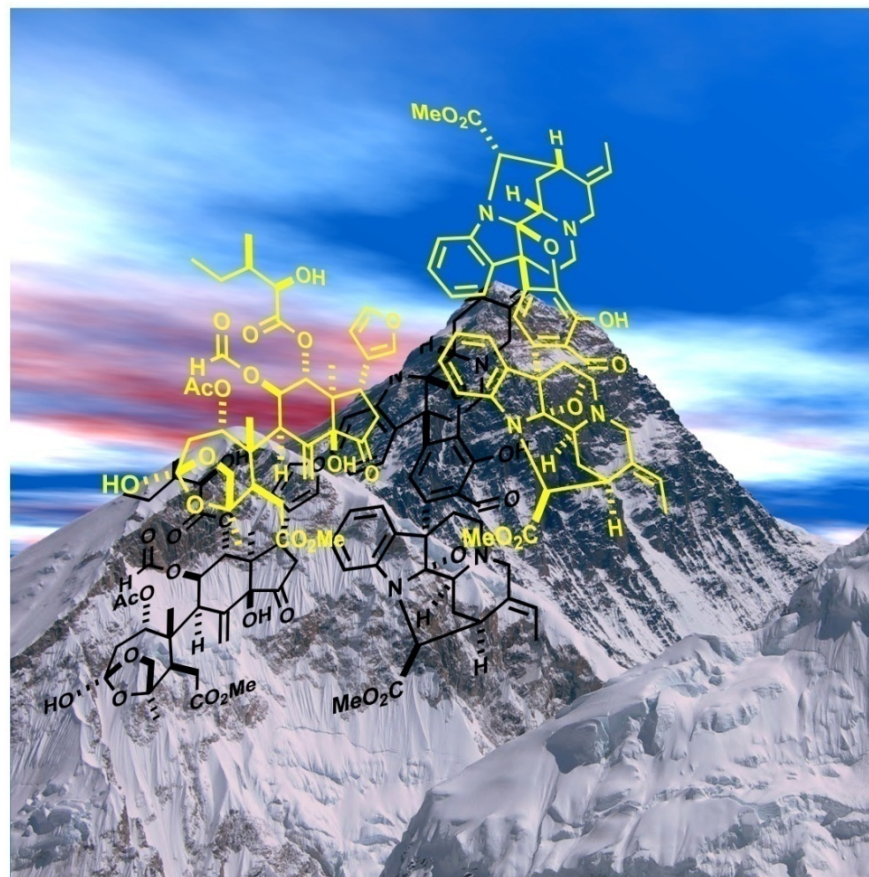
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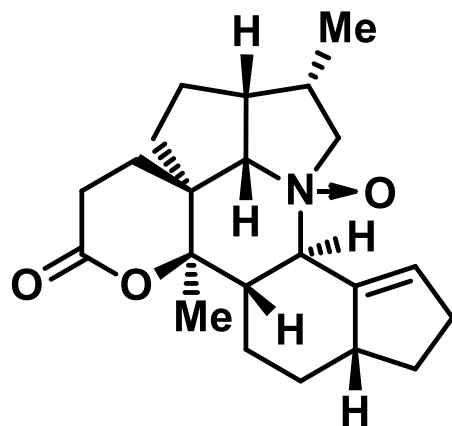
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## Calyciphylline B – a complex *Daphniphyllum* alkaloid



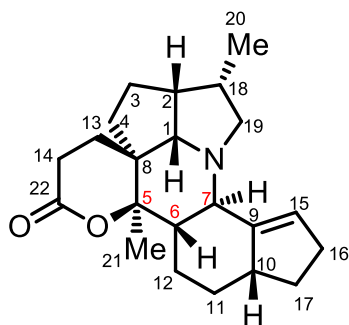
Calyciphylline B



- Isolated in 2003 by Kobayashi et al. from leaves of *D. calycinum*.
- First example of a new *Daphniphyllum* alkaloid class (A – P).
- Complex hexacyclic framework; eight stereocenters; seven contiguous and one quaternary; tertiary amine oxide
- Cytotoxicity against murine lymphoma cells (for L1210, LC<sub>50</sub> 12  $\mu$ M).

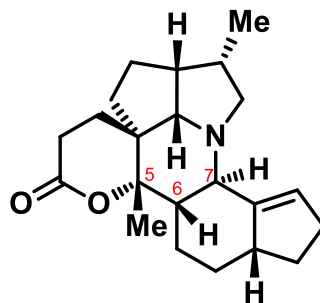
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## Representative calyciphyllines

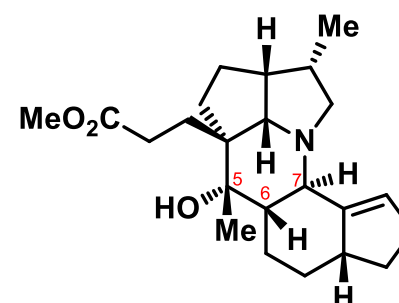


Deoxycalyciphylline B

From *Daphniphyllum subverticillatum*

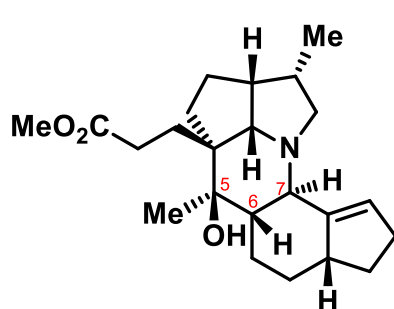


Deoxyisocalyciphylline B



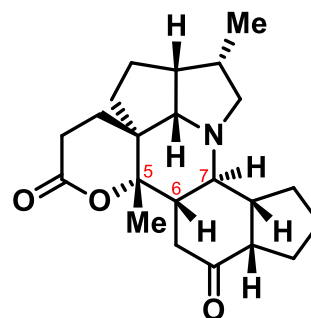
Caldaphnidine R

From *Daphniphyllum calycinum*



Longistylumphylline C

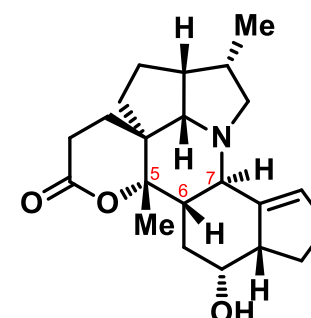
From *Daphniphyllum longistylum*



Daphnioldhanine J

From *Daphniphyllum oldhami*

Strong activity against platelet  
aggregation induced by PAF

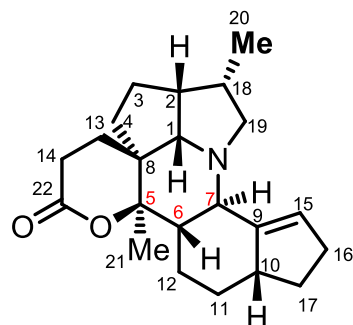


Oldhamiphylline A

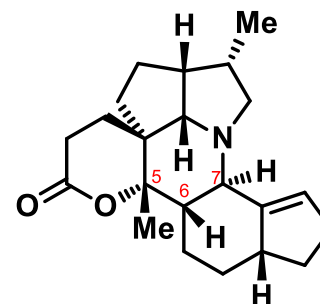
From *Daphniphyllum oldhami*

S.-P. Yang, J.-M. Yue, *J. Org. Chem.* **2003**, 68, 7961- 7966.; X. Chen, Z.-J. Zhan, J.-M. Yue, *Chem. Biol.* **2004**, 1, 1513- 1518.; X. Chen, Z.-J. Zhan, J.-M. Yue, *Helvetica Chimica Acta* **2005**, 88, 854-860; S.-Z. Mu, J.-S. Wang, X.-S. Yang, H.-P. he, C.-S. Li, Y.-T. Di, Y. Wang, Y. Zhang, X. Fang, L.-J. Huang, X.-J. Hao, *J. Nat. Prod.* **2008**, 71, 564-569; C.-R. Zhang, S.-P. Yang, J.-M. Yue *J. Nat. Prod.* **2008**, 71, 1663-1668.

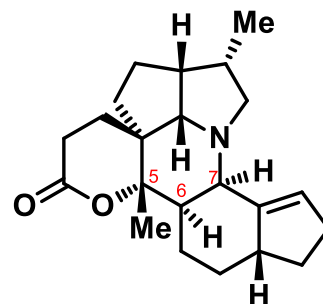
# Daphlongamine H: The only C6/C7-*cis* fused calyciphylline B-type alkaloids



Deoxycalyciphylline B

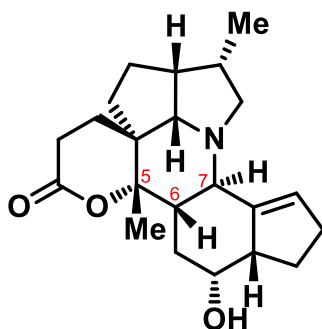


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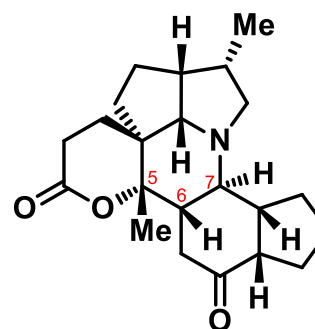


Daphlongamine H

*C6/C7-cis*

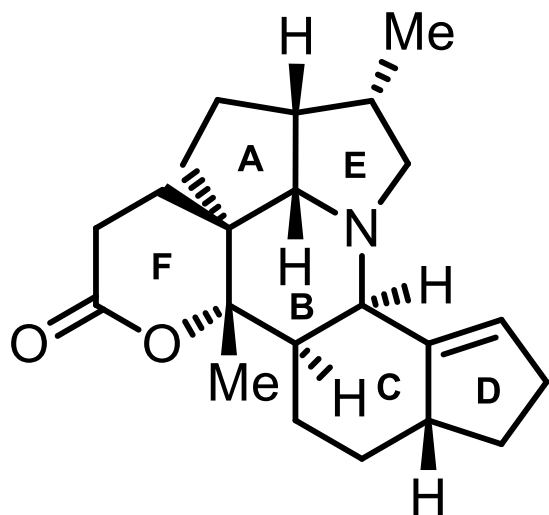


Oldhamiphylline A



Daphnioldhanine J

## Daphlongamine H: The C-6/C-7 *cis*-fused **exception** !

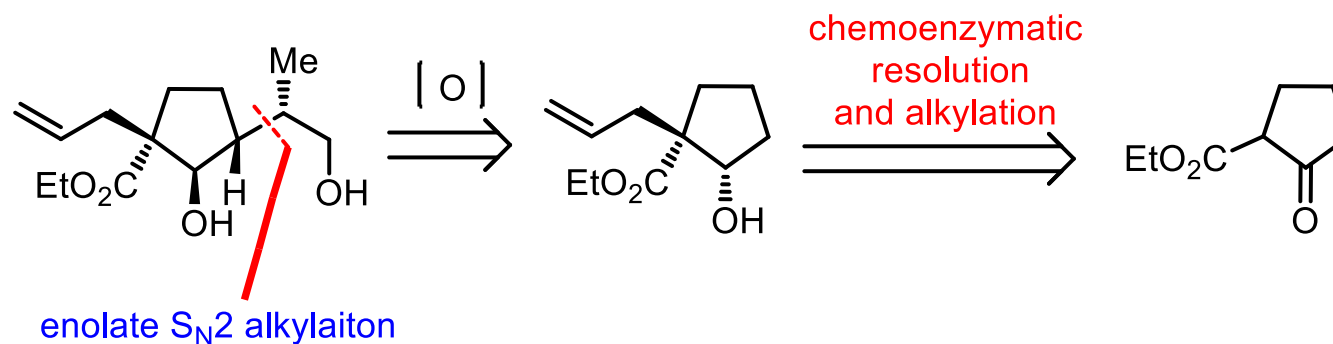
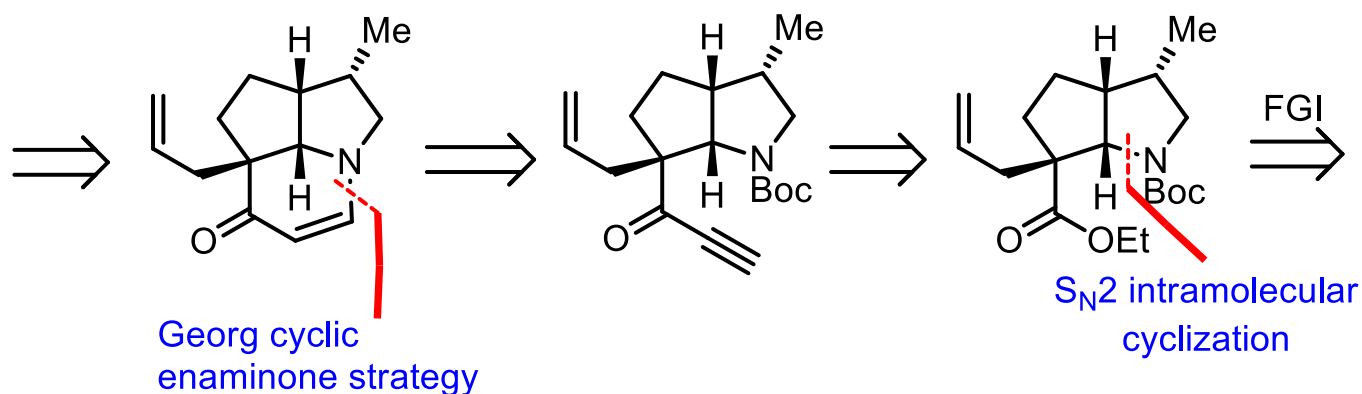
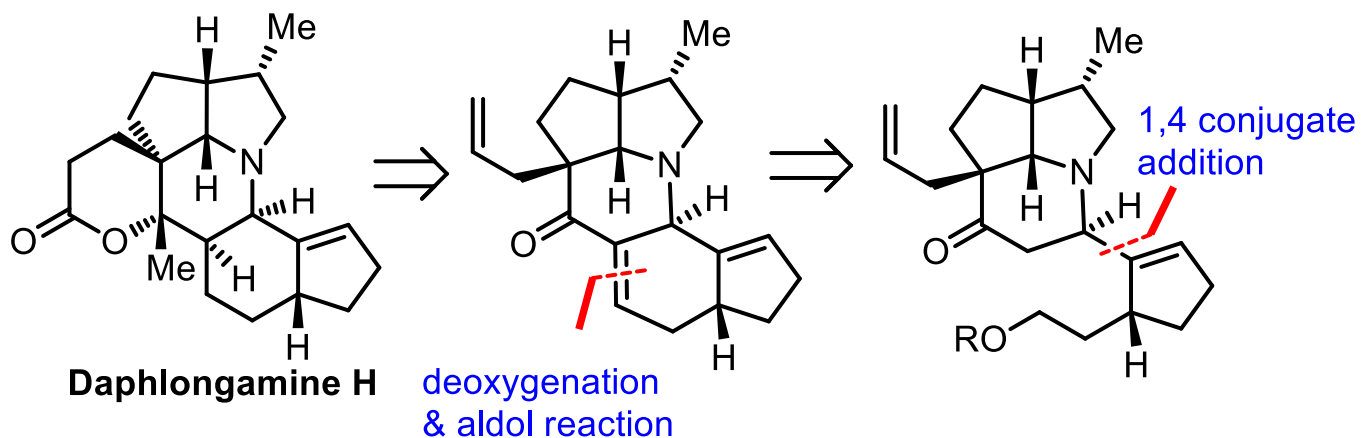
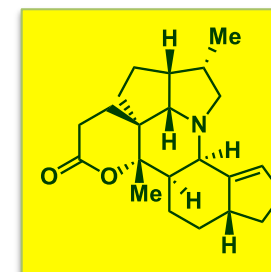


### Daphlongamine H

- Isolated in 2009 by Hao and co-workers from the leaves of *D. longiracemosum* Rosenth.
- Unique *cis*-fused member of calyciphylline B family.
- Structure and absolute stereochemistry were determined by spectroscopic data analysis and correlation with previous members of the calyciphylline B family.

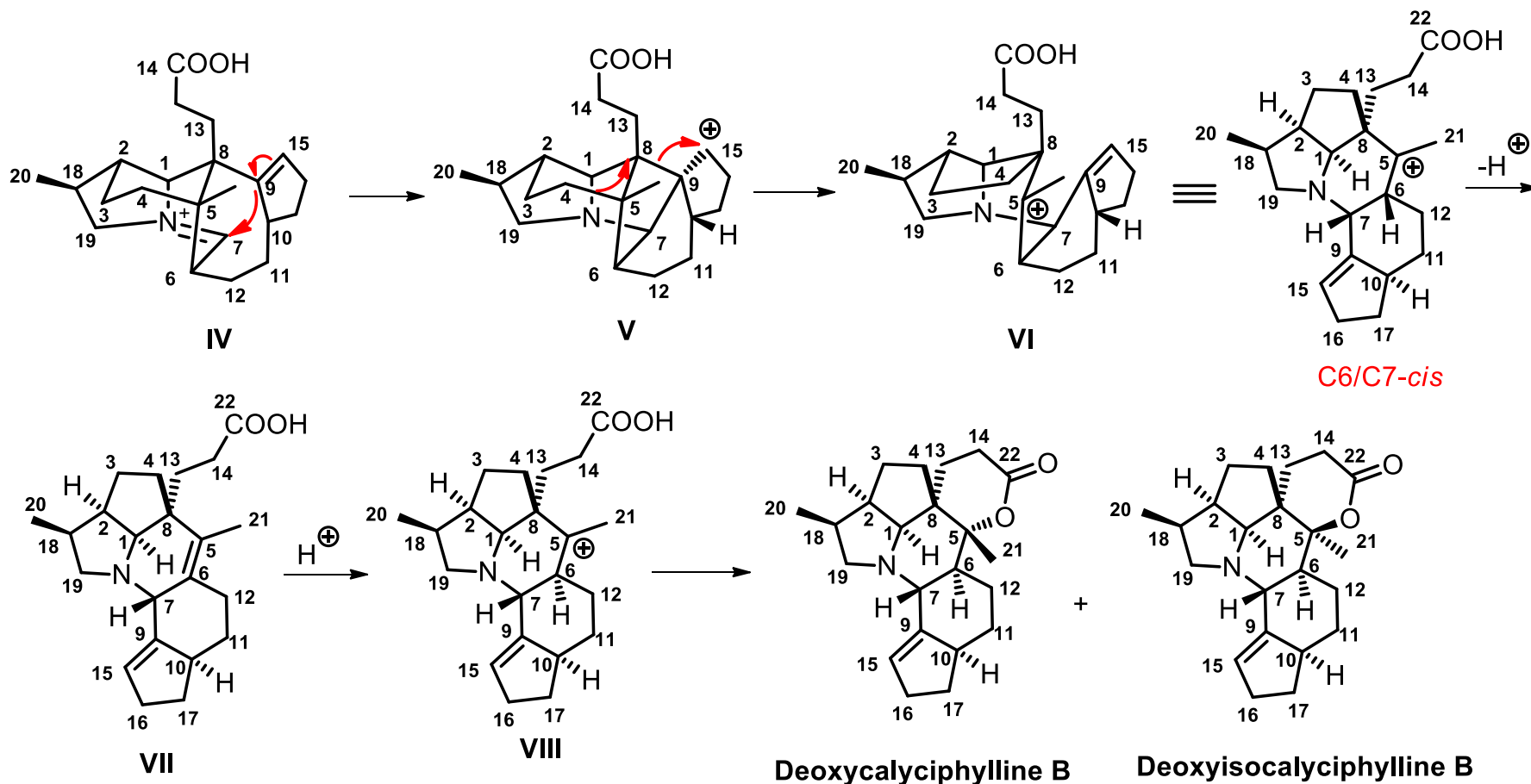
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# Daphlongamine H: Retrosynthesis





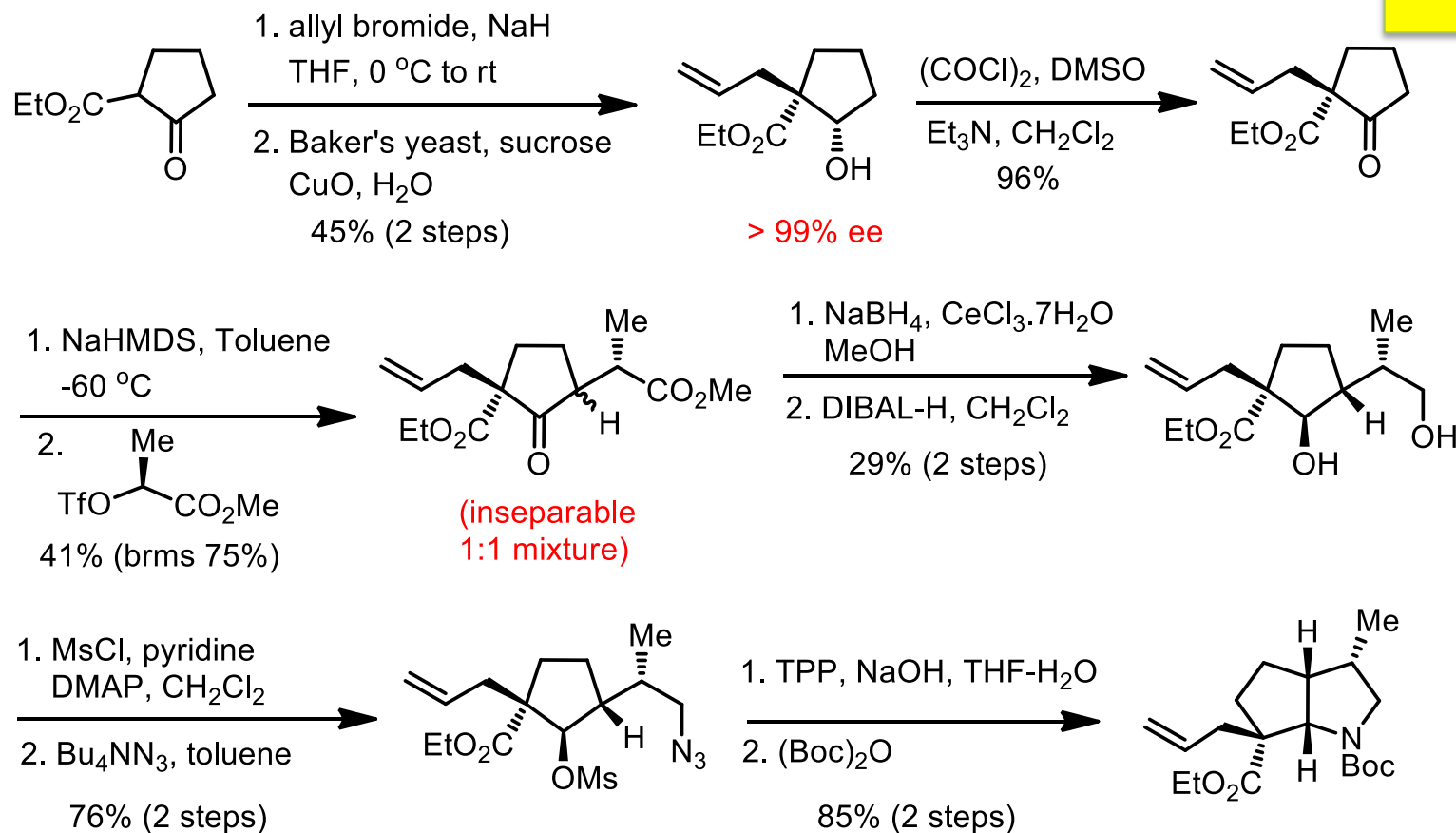
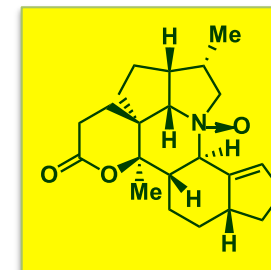
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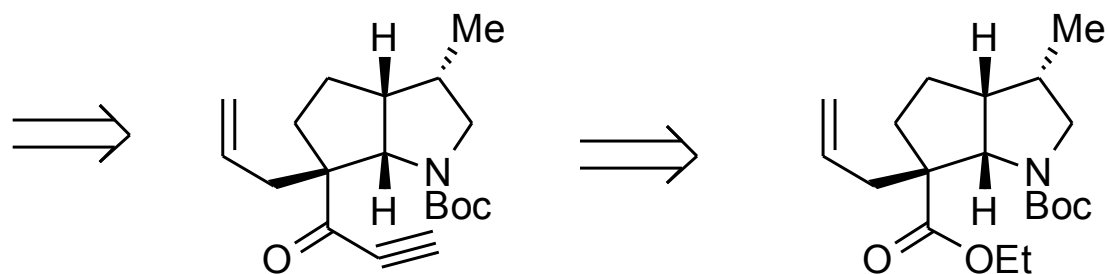
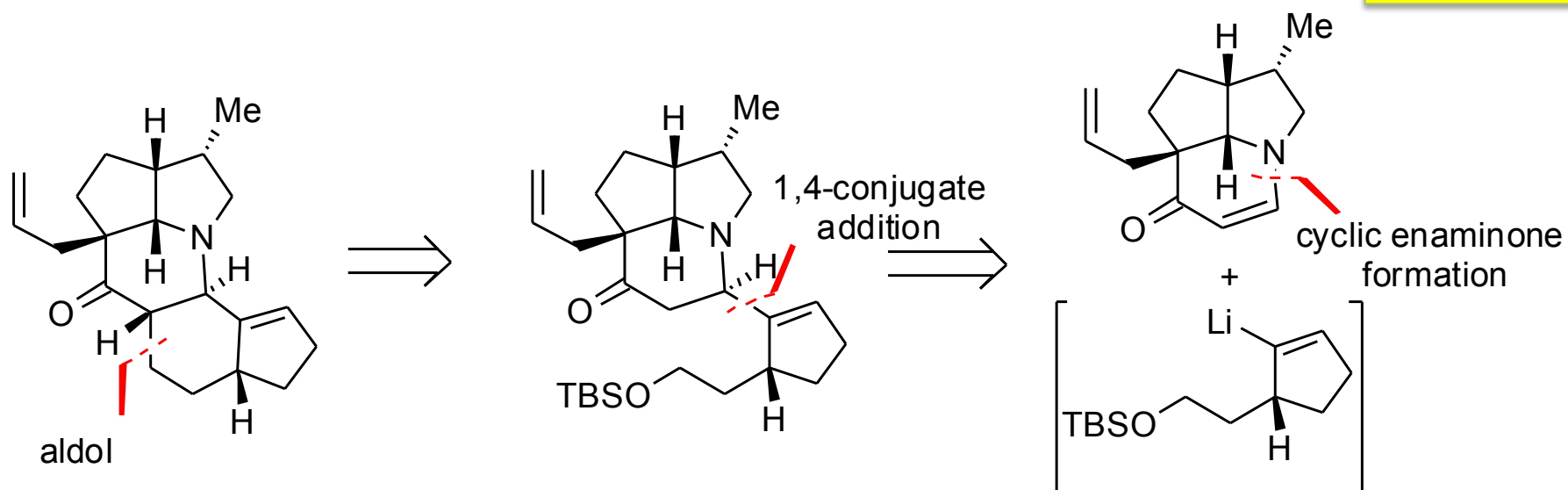
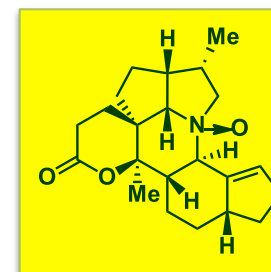
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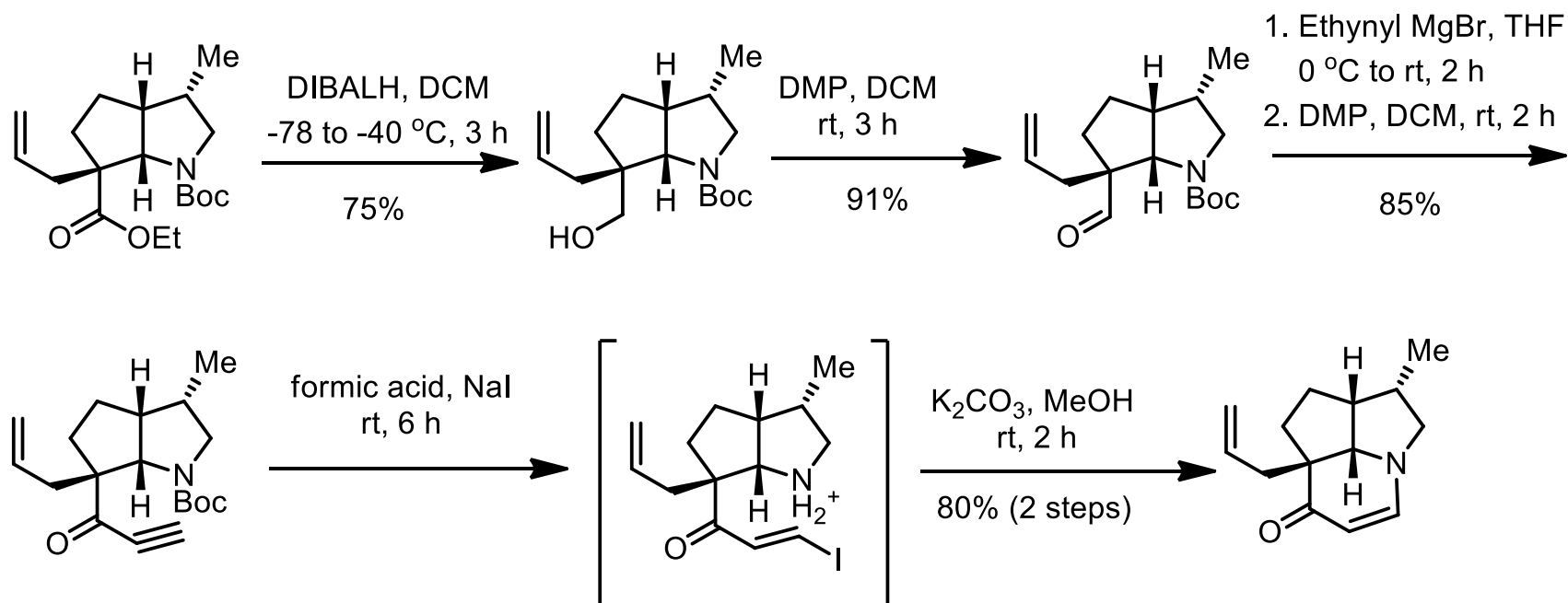
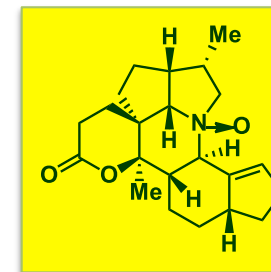
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# Enaminone/Michael/aldol strategy



## Synthesis of the tricyclic enaminone

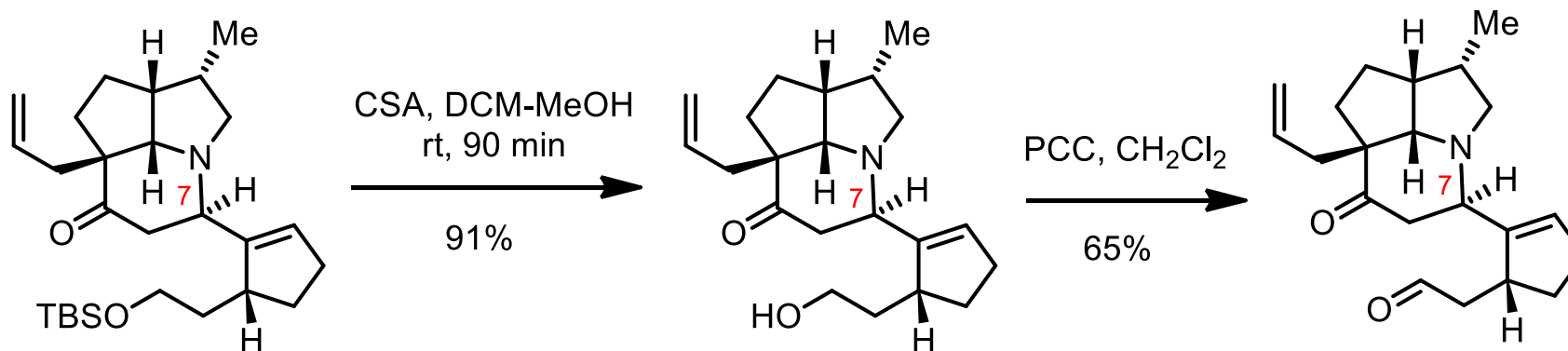
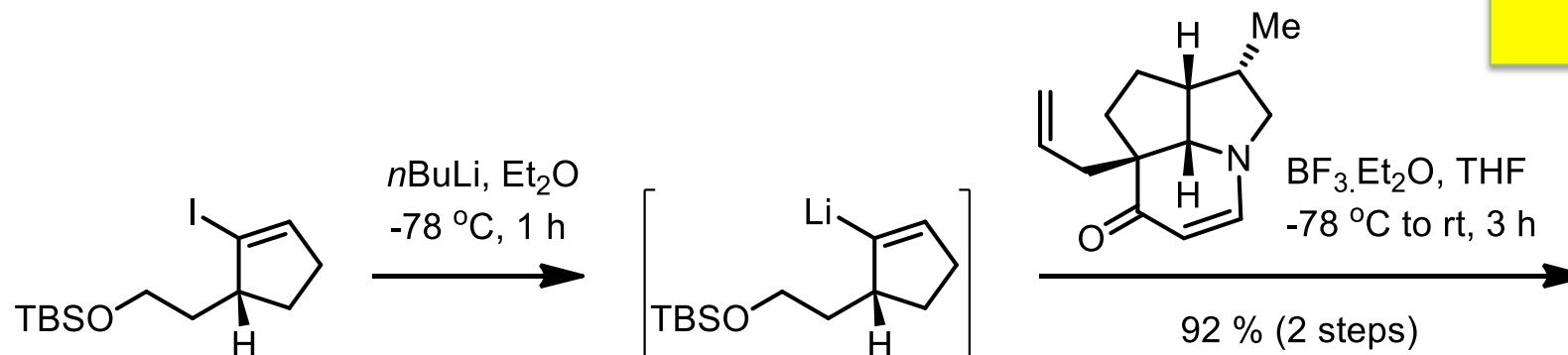
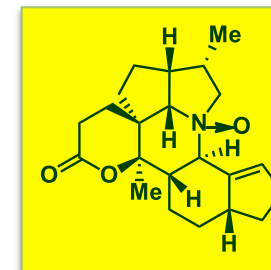


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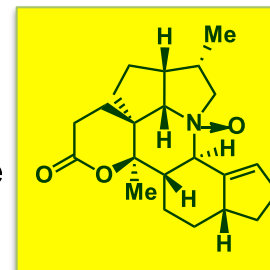
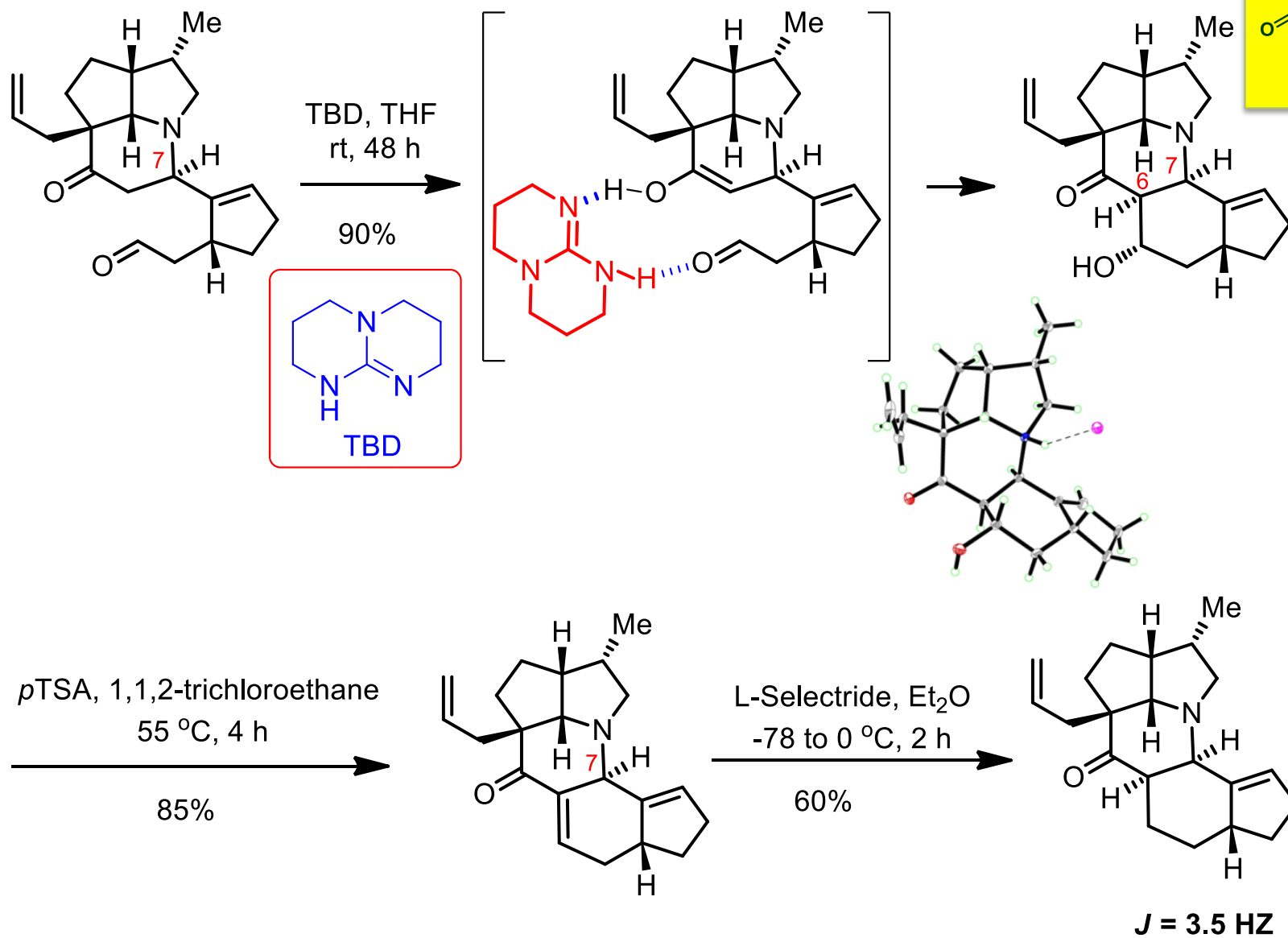
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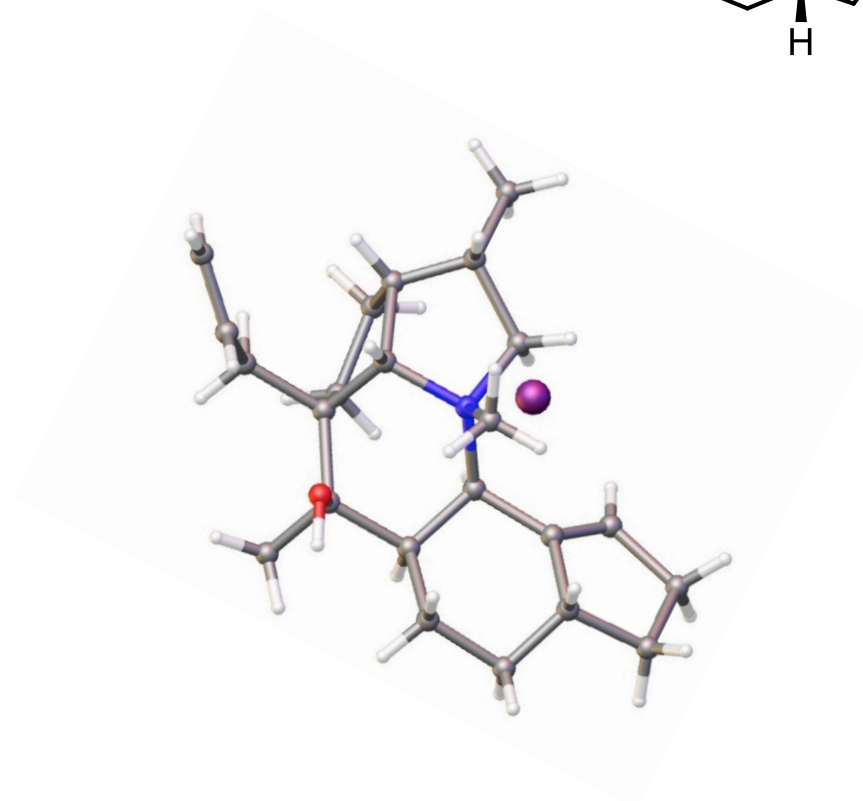
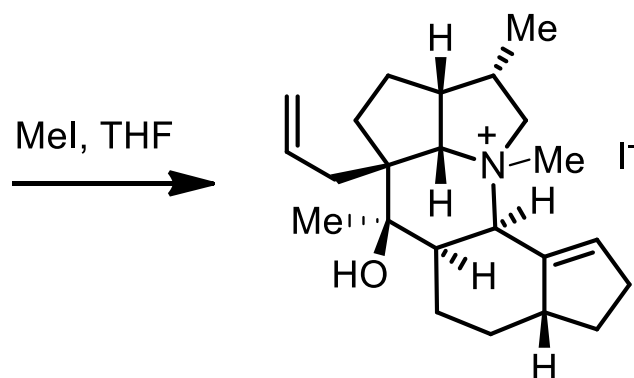
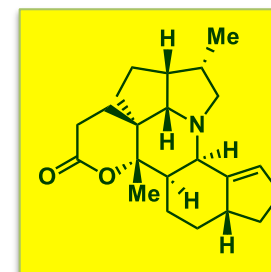
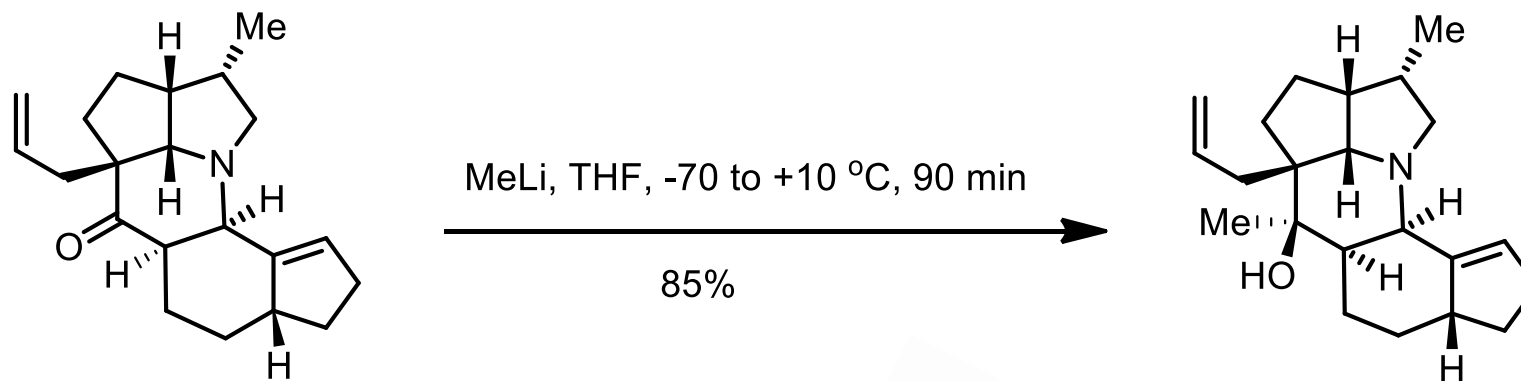


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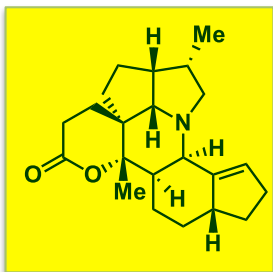
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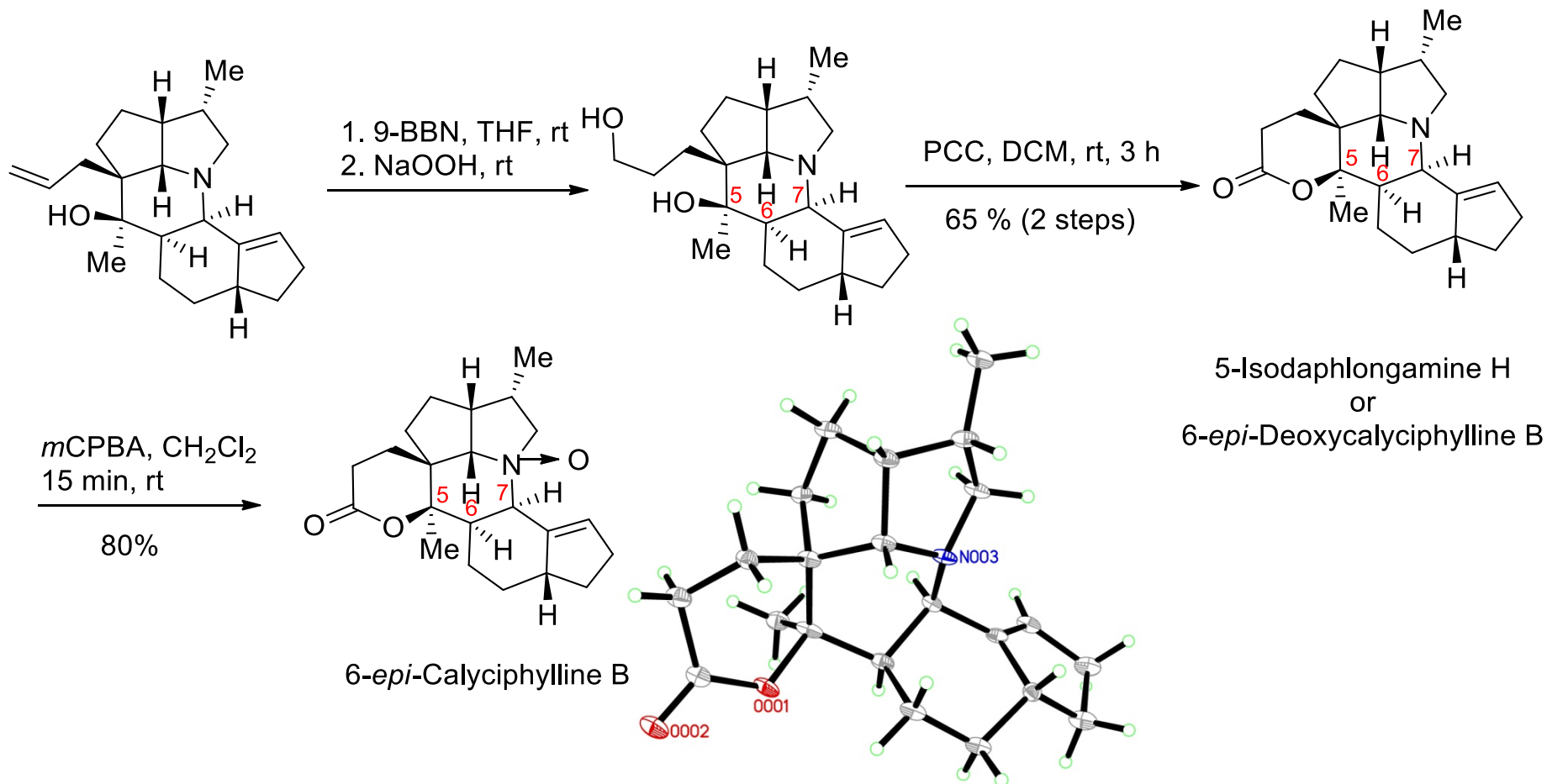
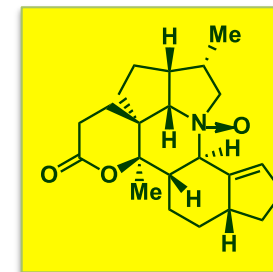
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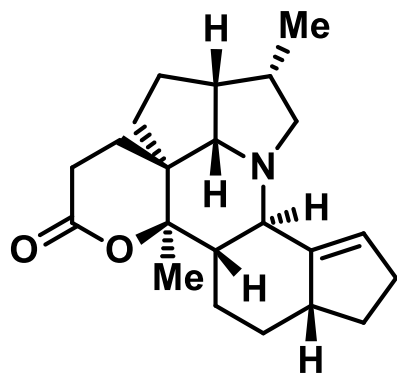
## Toward isodaphlongamine H and 6-*epi*-calyciphylline B



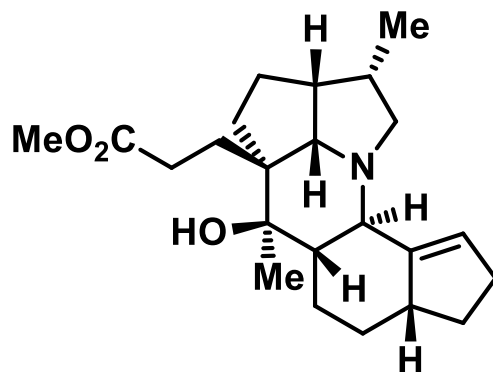
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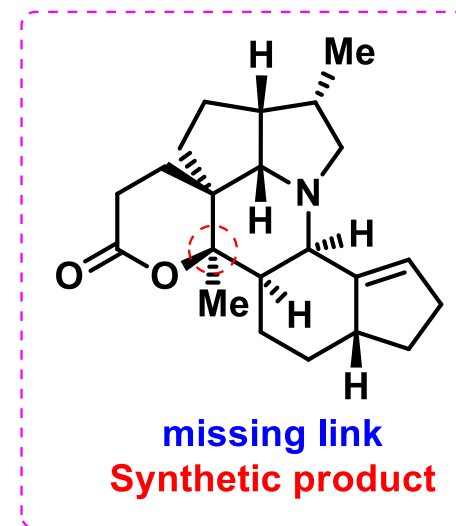
# Isodaphlongamine H: The missing link of the calyciphylline B-type alkaloid series?



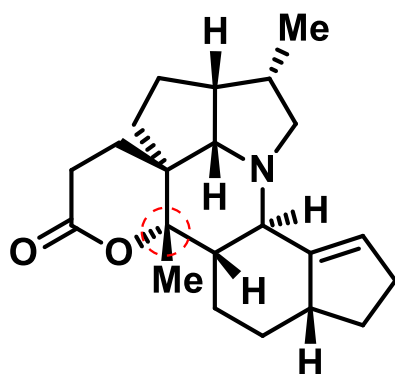
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From leaves of  
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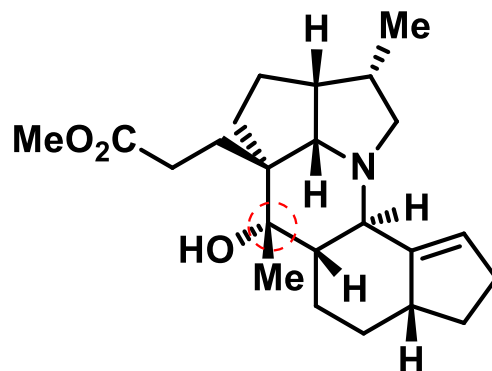
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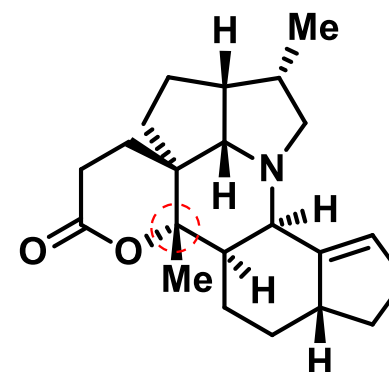
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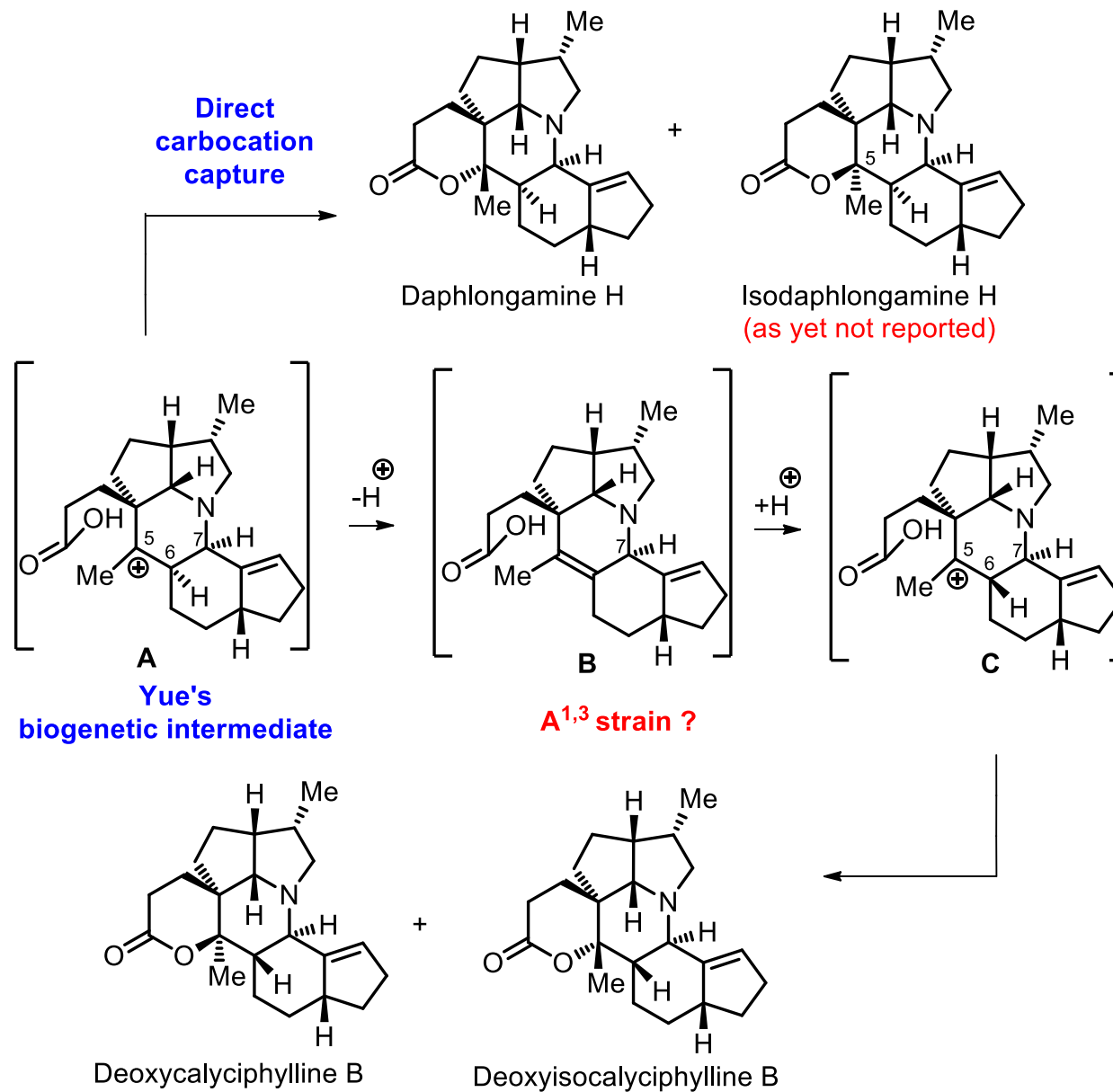


**Caldaphnidine R**  
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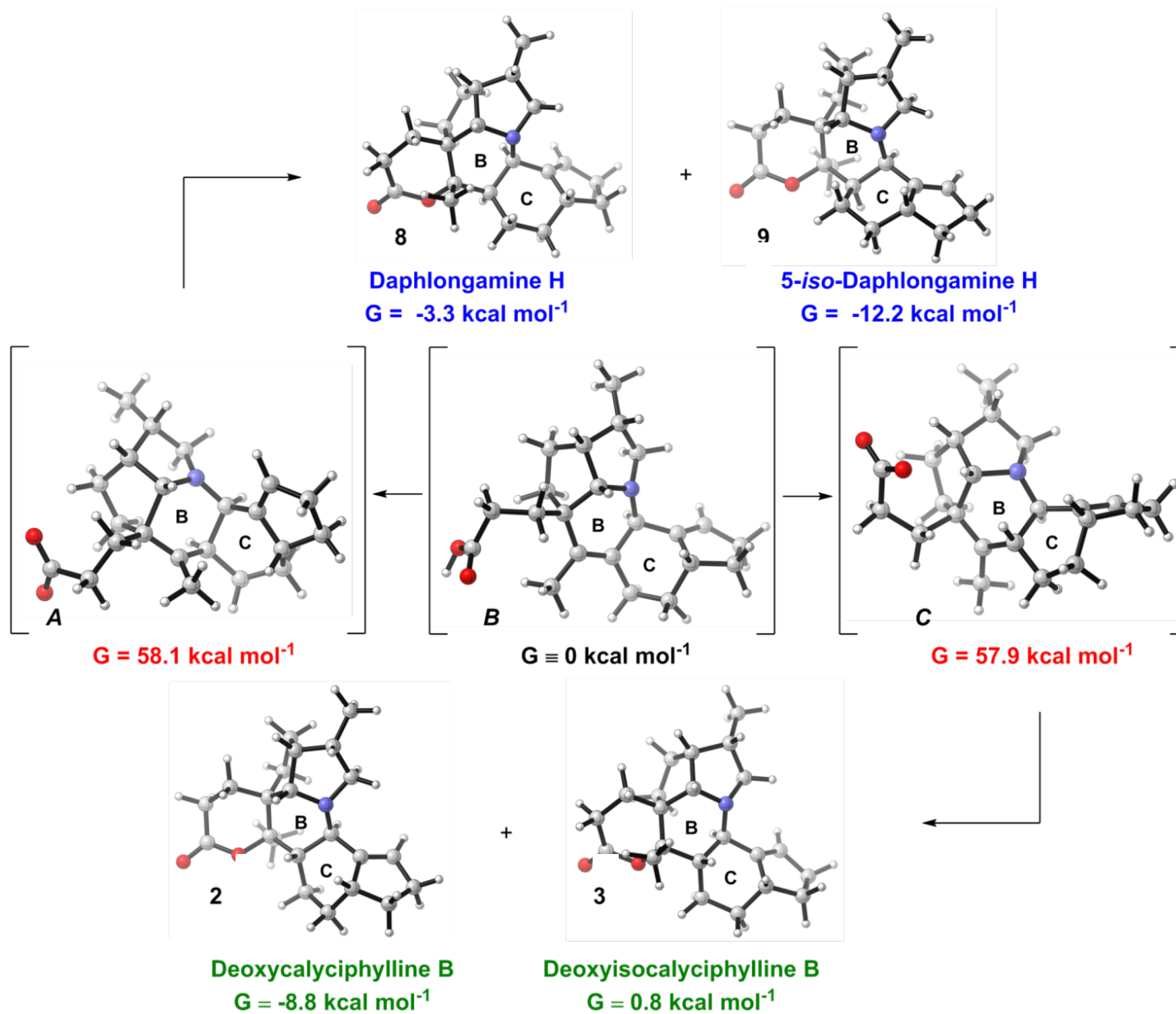
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# A possible biogenetic conundrum

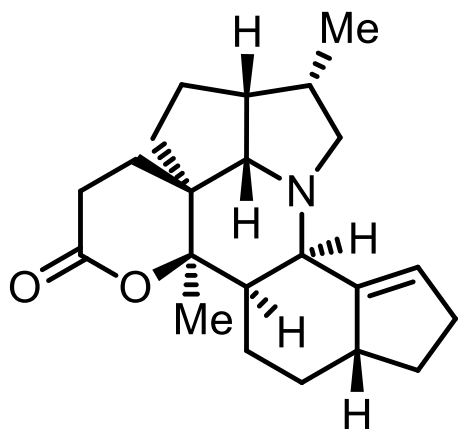


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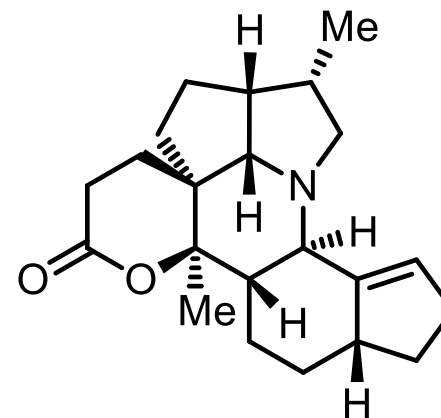
# Relative energy difference of natural and synthetic products:



## Anticancer activity



**5-iso-Daphlongamine H** (synthetic)



**Deoxycalyciphylline B** (natural)

$GI_{50} = >30 \mu M$ , all cell lines

$GI_{50} = 38 \mu M$  against HOP-92 (non-small cell lung cancer)

$GI_{50} = 35 \mu M$  against SNB-75 (CNS cancer)

$GI_{50} = 48 \mu M$  against MDA-MB-435 (melanoma)

$GI_{50} = 43 \mu M$  against UO-31 (renal cancer)

- In-vitro studies were performed on sixty human cancer cell lines including leukemia, lung, colon, CNS, melanoma, ovarian, renal, prostate, and breast.
- 5-isodaphlongamine H is two fold less active than deoxycalyciphylline B on other cell lines.