

Structure and Reactivity

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- Prerequisite Knowledge (required for exam)
- General Mechanism for Diels Alder Reaction (required for exam)
- Polyketides and Drugs (**not** required for exam)

Structure and Reactivity: Summary

1. Introduction and Literature

Warning: This summary is meant as an help to check the note taken in the lecture and contains only the most important concepts and transition states, it cannot replace the blackboard notes!

Important Supporting Material

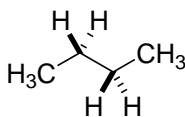
- Prerequisite Knowledge Summary (necessary to solve exam problems!)
repetition of easy concepts from bachelor
- Evans CHEM 206 (on the internet via google)
probably the best lecture on the net on advanced organic chemistry, contains most of the topics of this lecture and much more
- Carey Sundberg: Advanced Organic Chemistry Part A and B
Comprehensive books, focusing mostly on reactivity, but weaker on selectivity.
- March's: Advanced Organic Chemistry
Book good for consultation, not for learning
- Kurti-Czako: Strategic Applications of Named Reactions in Organic Synthesis
One of the best book for named reactions, very good to revise mechanism and scope of specific reactions

2. Conformational Analysis

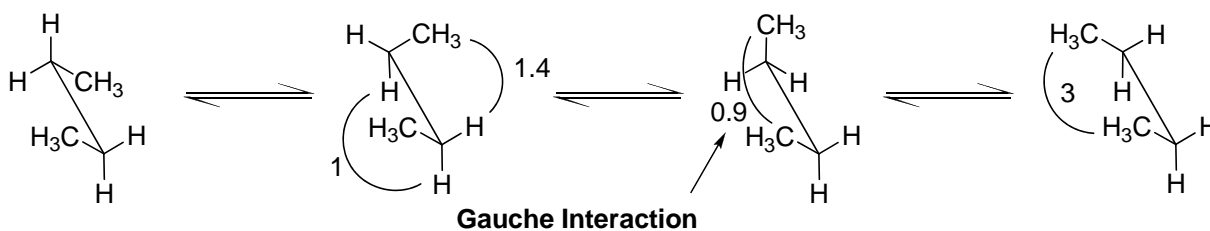
(Energy Values in Kcal/mol, M = Medium, L = Large)

2.1 Alkanes

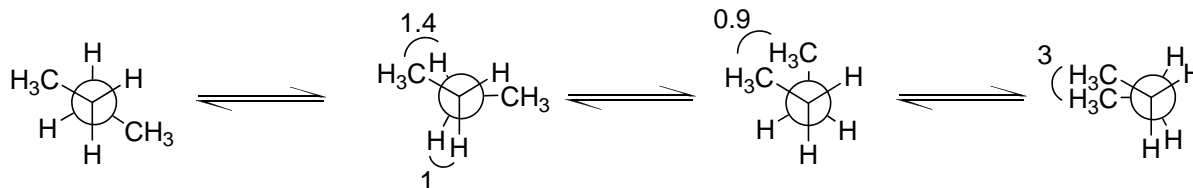
Butane



Sägebock Projection



Newman Projection



Relative Energy 0

staggered
antiperiplanar

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eclipsed
anticlinal

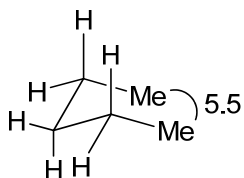
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synclinal
gauche conformer

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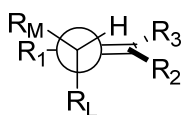
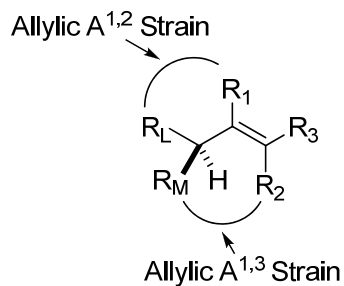
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Special Interaction for Pentane:



Double Gauche Pentane or Syn Pentane Interaction

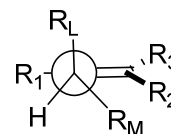
2.2 Alkenes: Allylic Strain



A^{1,3} Minimized:

- R_L in free room ⊥ to DB
- H towards R₂

Favored for R₂ bigger R₁



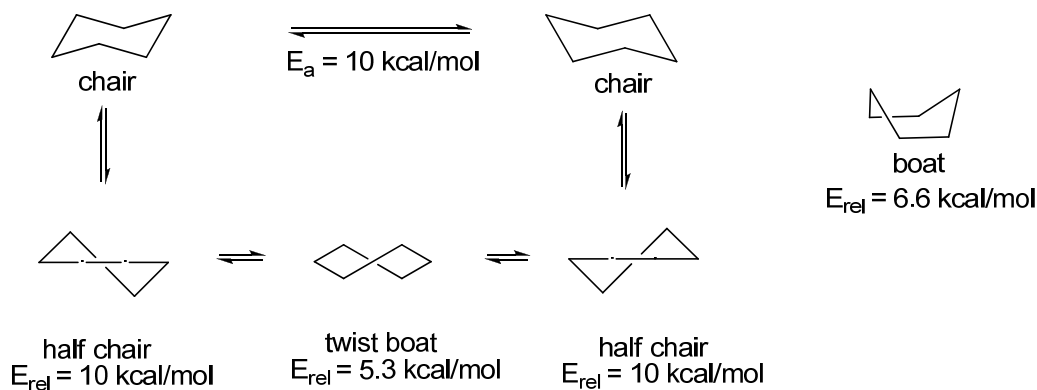
A^{1,2} Minimized:

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- H towards R₁

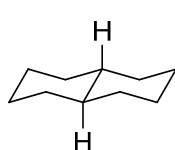
Favored for R₁ bigger R₂

- If R₁ and R₂ are of similar size, A_{1,3} is more important.
- R₃ is usually less important for selectivity.

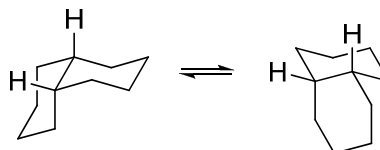
2.3 Cyclohexane



Special Case: Decalin



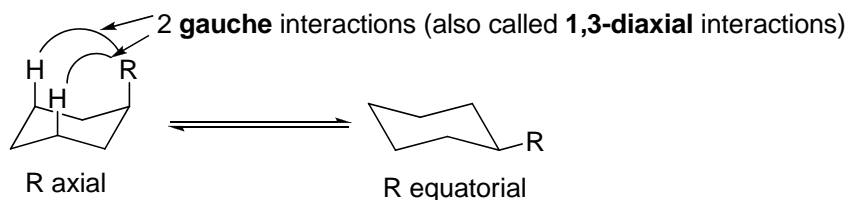
Trans decalin
Rigid



Cis decalin
Flexible

A Values

R	A value
CH ₃	1.7
CH ₂ CH ₃	1.7
CH(CH ₃) ₂	2.1
C(CH ₃) ₃	4.7
CN	0.2
C ₆ H ₅	2.8
Si(CH ₃) ₃	2.5
OCH ₃	0.6
Cl	0.6



$$\text{A value (R)} = -\Delta G (\text{axial-equatorial})$$

!!! A value are exact only for monosubstituted cyclohexanes!!!

Important number to remember:

A Value CH₃: 1.7 Kcal/mol
 1.4 Kcal = 10:1 mixture
 21 Kcal = thermal energy at room temperature

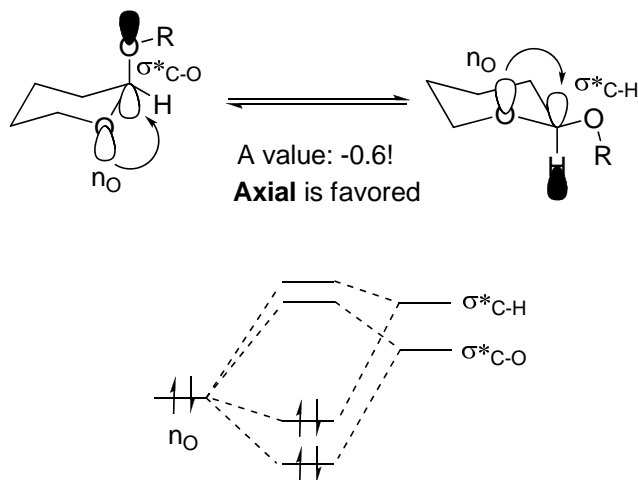
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Important Rules for HOMO-LUMO interactions

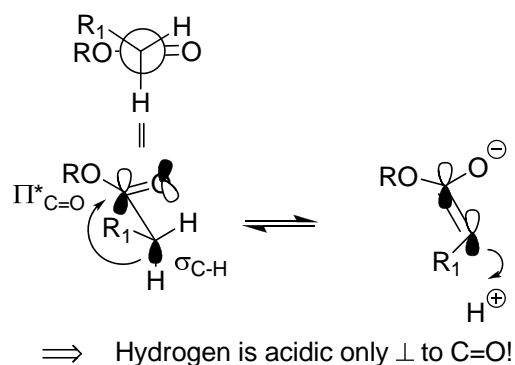
- 1) The nearest the energy of HOMO and LUMO, the strongest the interaction.
- 2) The absolute energy of orbitals is correlated to the electronegativity of the atoms/bonds
- 3) Stereoelectronics: a geometrical overlap of orbitals is necessary for interaction

Important examples:

Structural Anomeric Effect



Enolate Formation



Microscopic Reversibility:

Protonation from Enolate is perpendicular to C=C!

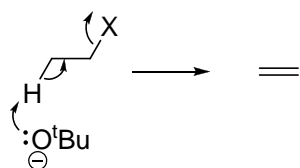
Anomeric Effect: In the axial position, a better stabilization with the more electronegative $\sigma^*_{\text{C-O}}$ is possible.

Other examples seen in the lecture: Sn^2 substitution, elimination, conformation of esters, stabilization of carbocations

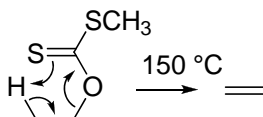
3. Alkenes

3.1 Synthesis of Alkenes

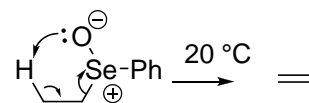
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E₂, trans elimination

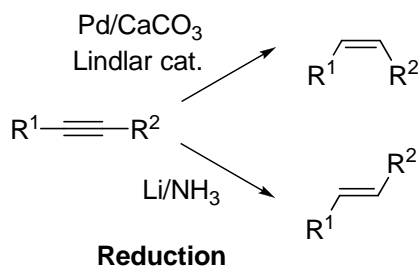


Chugaev syn elimination

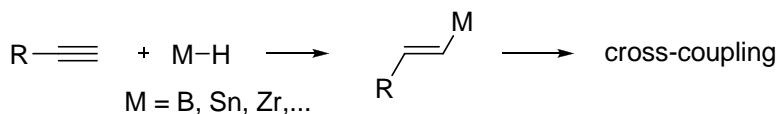


Selenoxide syn elimination

3.1.2 From Acetylenes



Reduction



Hydrometallation

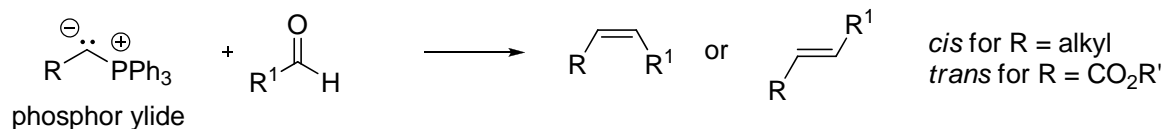
3.1.3 Olefin Metathesis (see inorganic chemistry lectures)

3.1.4 From carbonyls

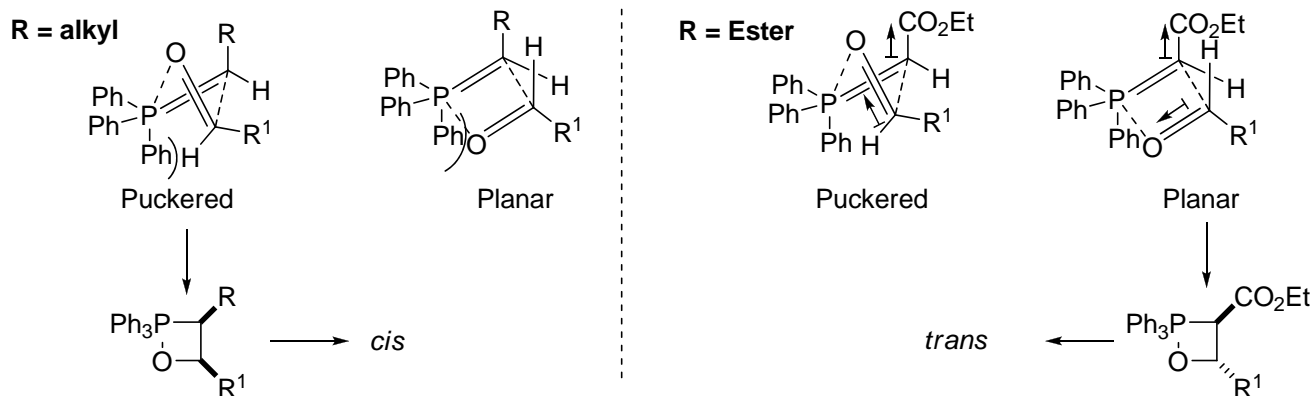
3.1.4.1 Aldol Condensation

3.1.4.2 Wittig and Variations

Original Wittig

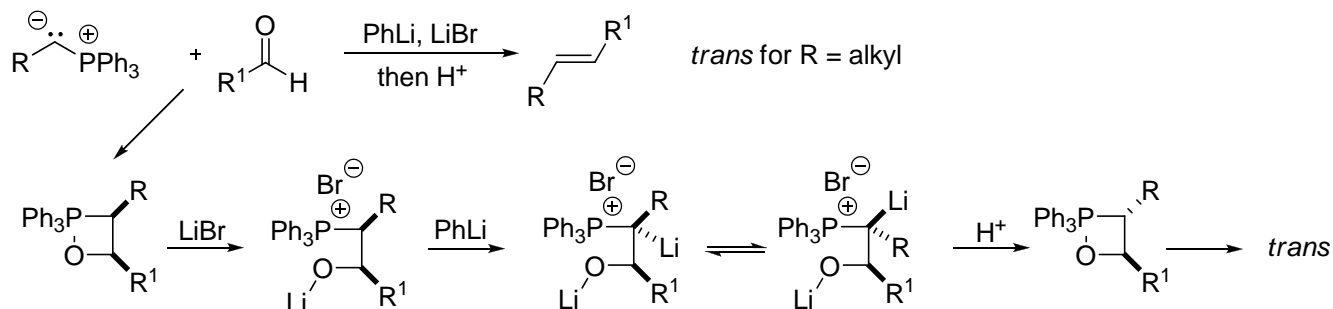


Mechanism



Two transition state are possible: puckerd and planar. For alkyl groups, the reaction is controlled by sterics and the puckerd TS is favored (less interactions with bulky Ph group). For esters, the reaction is controlled by electronics and the planar TS is favored (better Dipoles orientation).

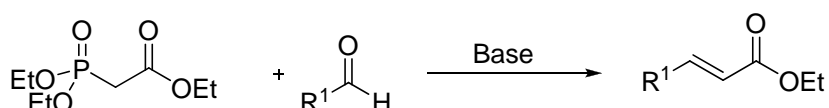
Schlosser Variation



General problem with Wittig: Strong base is needed! It cannot be used for base-sensitive substrates.

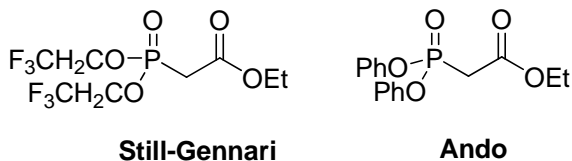
Milder Variations:

Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons (HWE)



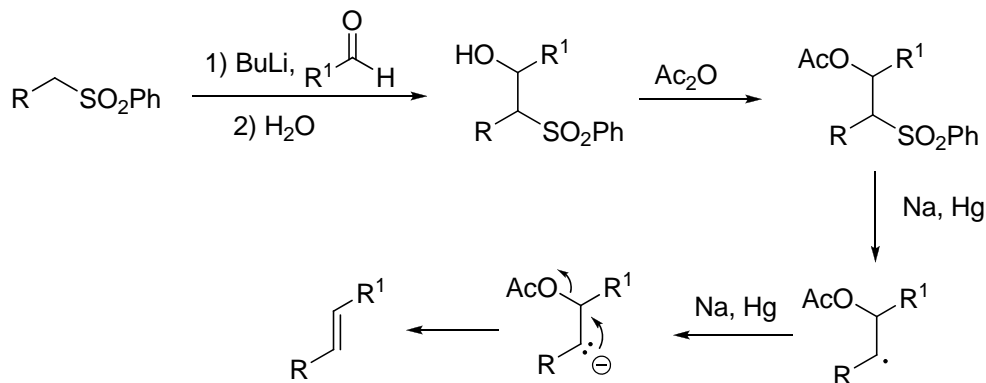
HWE is *trans* selective and weaker base can be used: very often used in total synthesis.

Cis-selective variations:



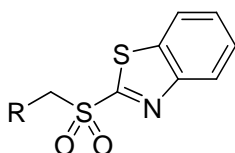
3.1.4.3 Julia and Variations

Julia-Lythgoe



Highly *trans* selective, but multi-steps

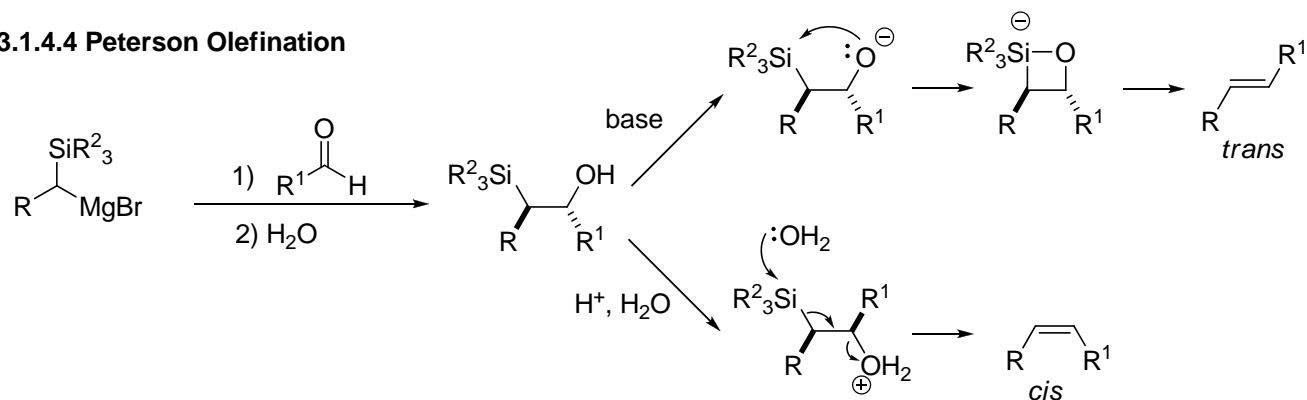
Julia-Kocienski



1 step only

Highly *trans* selective, milder than many Wittig methods

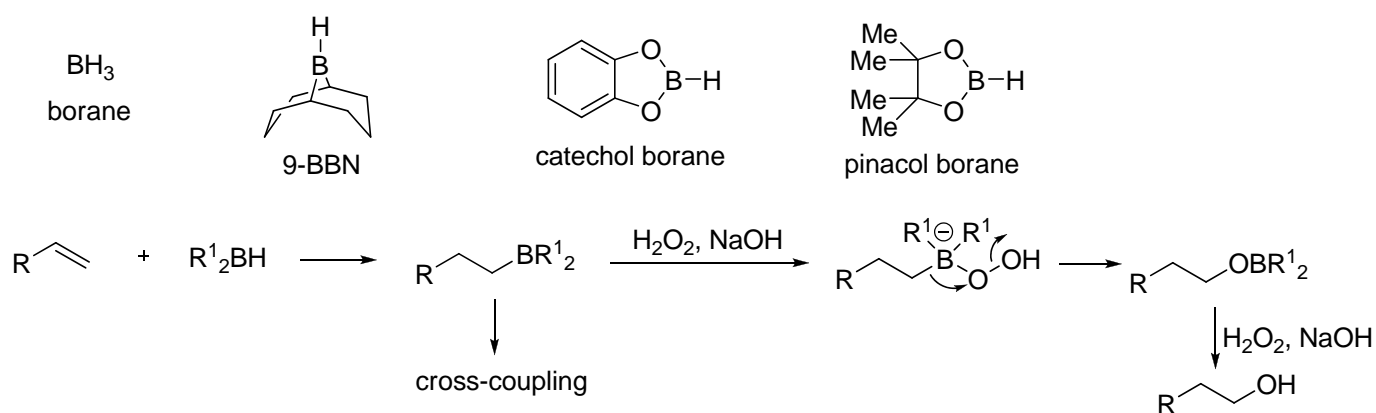
3.1.4.4 Peterson Olefination



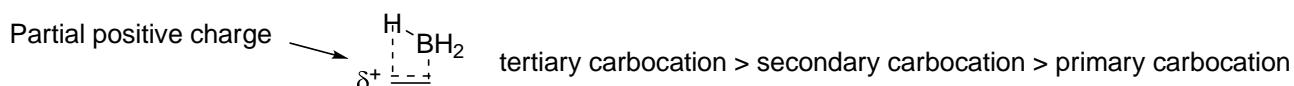
If high selectivity can be achieved in the first step, the Peterson protocol allows obtaining *trans* or *cis* olefins depending on the reaction conditions.

3.2 Hydroboration of Alkenes

3.2.1 Important Boron Reagents and General Mechanism

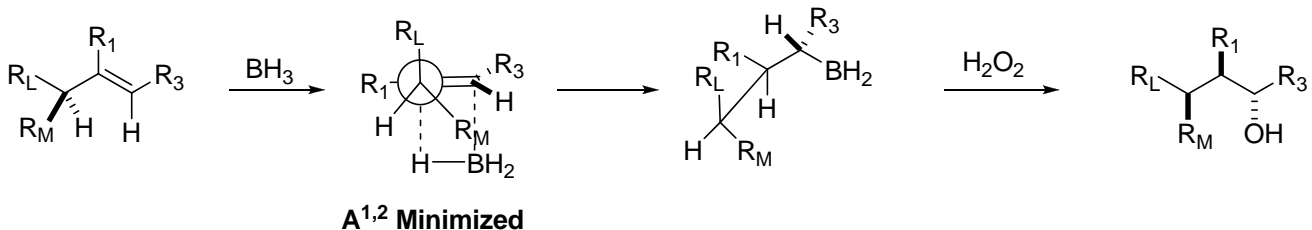
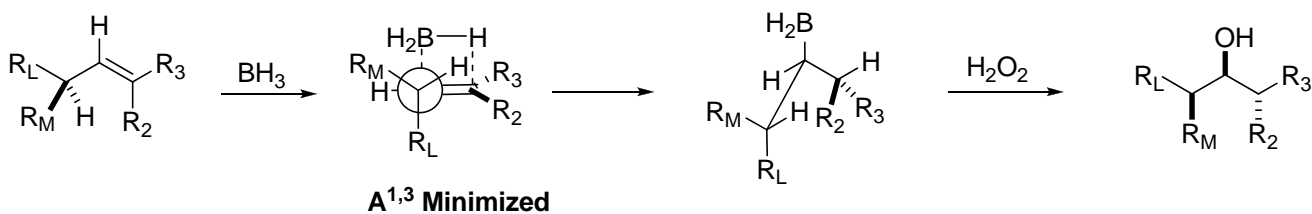


Regioselectivity: H goes to more stabilized carbocation, because the mechanism is asynchronous:

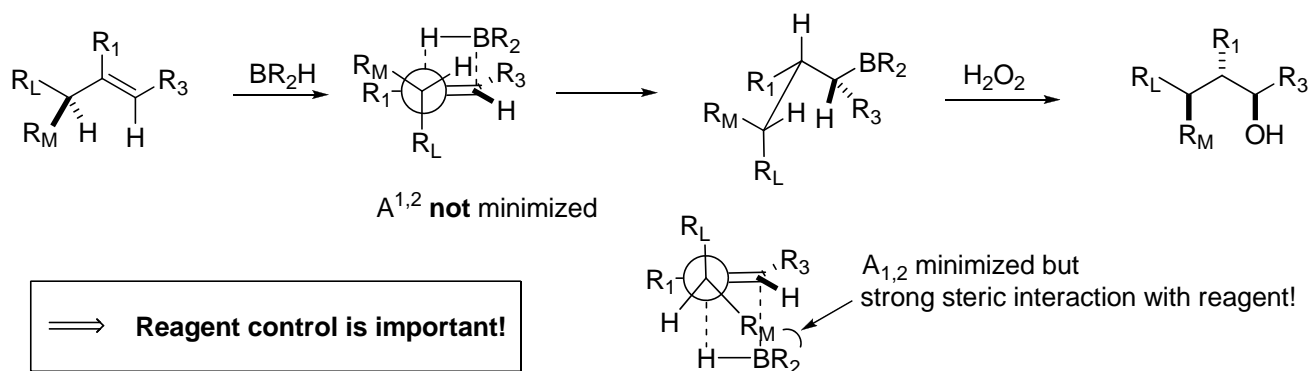


3.2.2 Control of Diastereoselectivity

Hydroboration with BH₃: Minimize strongest Allylic strain, BH₃ comes opposite from R_L



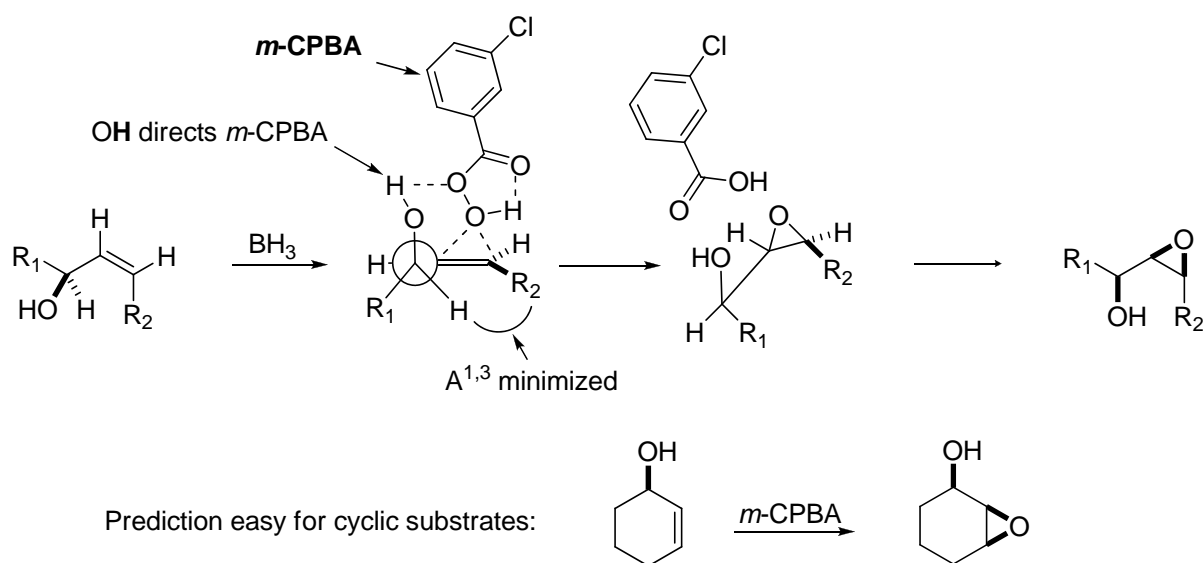
Hydroboration with bulky boron reagents: **Minimize reagent-substrate interactions**



3.3 Alkene Oxidation

3.3.1 Epoxidation

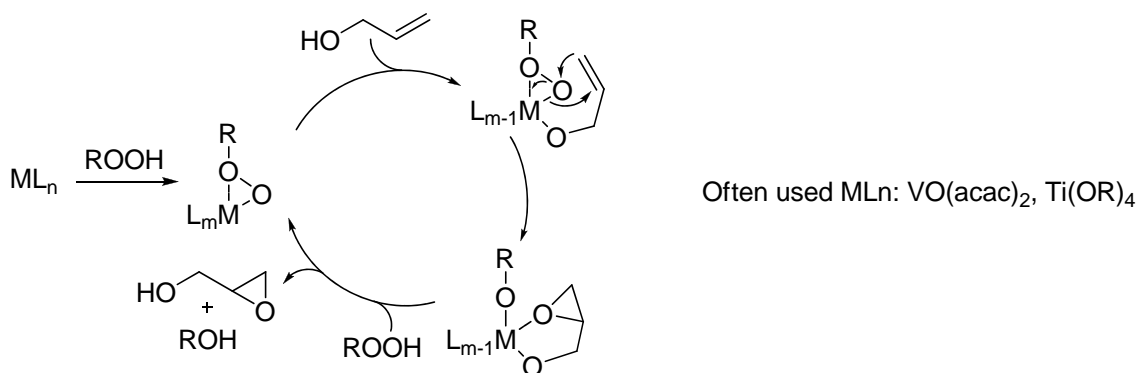
3.3.1.1 Directed Epoxidation with *m*-CPBA



Directed reactions often allows for good selectivity in organic chemistry!

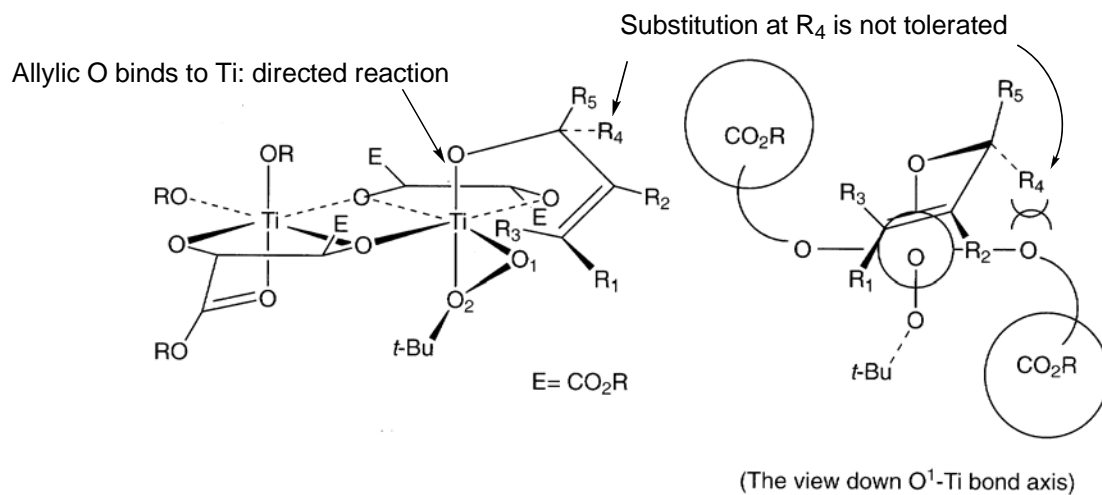
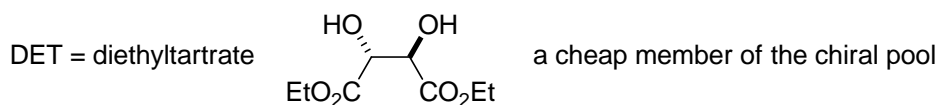
3.3.1.2 Directed Epoxidation with metal catalysts

General Mechanism



Catalytic Asymmetric Version: Sharpless Epoxidation

conditions: 5 mol% $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$, 5 mol% DET, $^t\text{BuOOH}$, molecular sieves, CH_2Cl_2 , $-20\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$

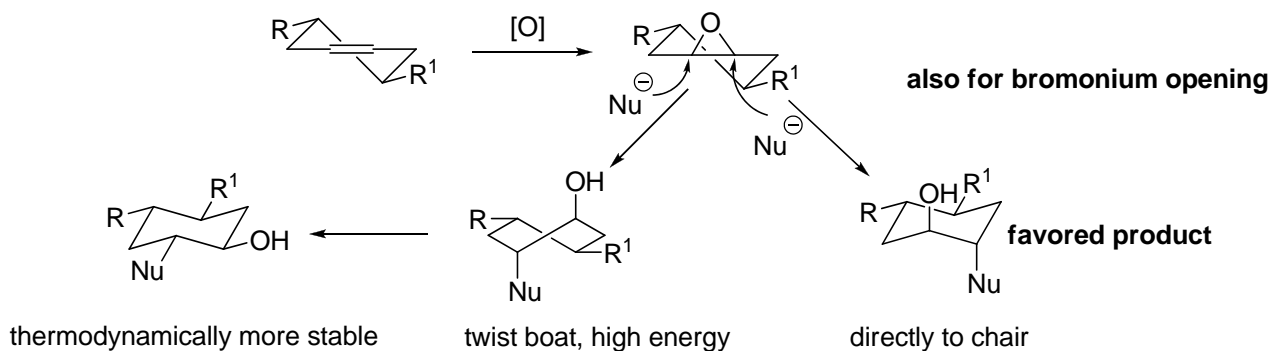


Important:

- $^t\text{BuOOH}$ does not react until bound to Ti \Rightarrow Catalysis is possible
- Face of attack of the peroxide is determined by the chiral diester ligand, not the conformation of the substrate \Rightarrow very good reagent control

The Sharpless epoxidation is very often used for the synthesis of complex organic molecules!

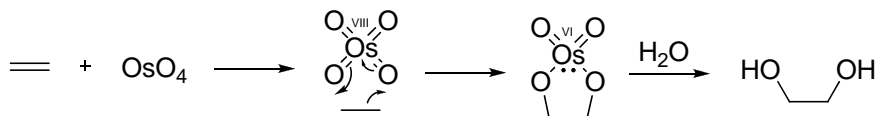
3.3.1.3 Epoxide Opening and the Fürst-Plattner Rule



\Rightarrow The thermodynamically more stable product is not observed, because an unfavorable twist-boat intermediate has to be formed.

3.3.2 Dihydroxylation

General Mechanism

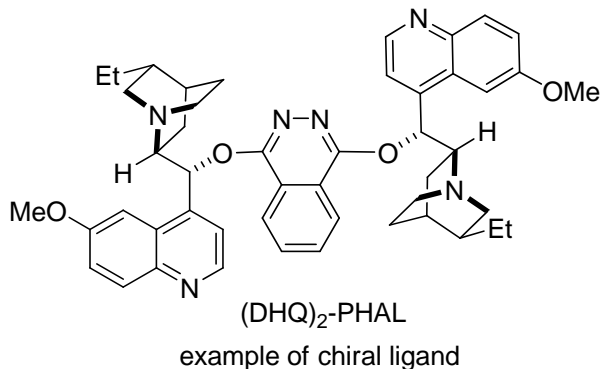


Problem with first method: Stoichiometric use of very toxic and expensive OsO_4

Sharpless Catalytic Asymmetric Dihydroxylation: Ad-mix

5 mol% $\text{K}_2\text{OsO}_4(\text{OH})_4$ (catalyst)
 $\text{K}_3\text{Fe}(\text{CN})_6$ (stoichiometric oxidant)
cinchona-derived amines (chiral ligand)
Inorganic Base

sold as Ad-mix



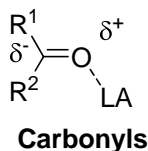
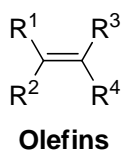
The Sharpless dihydroxylation is the most used method for the asymmetric synthesis of diols.

This reaction will be discussed in details in the course catalytic asymmetric reactions in organic synthesis.

4. Addition to Carbonyl

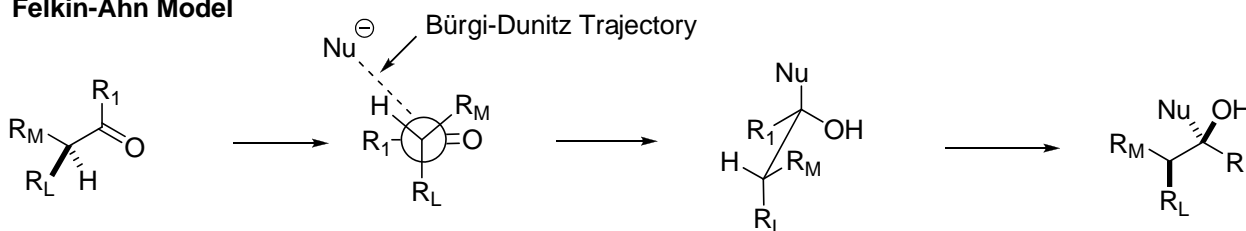
4.1 General Concepts and Models

Comparison with Olefins



- Sterics is different: only lone pairs on O
- C=O bond is polarized: no issue of regiochemistry
- Further activation of carbonyls with Lewis Acids is easy and allow to modulate the reactivity

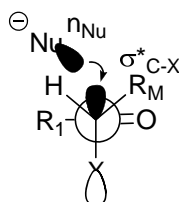
Felkin-Ahn Model



- R_L is \perp to C=O
- Nu comes along the Bürgi-Dunitz trajectory (109 °C to C=O)
- Minimize Nu-Substrate interaction \Rightarrow Smallest Substituent on Bürgi-Dunitz trajectory (Here H)

Polar Felkin-Ahn Rule

Electron-deficient groups behave as R_L



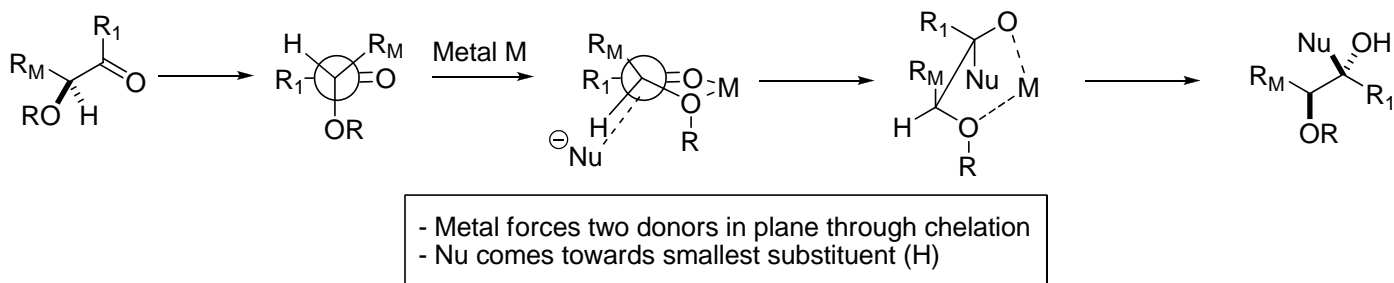
Favorable Interaction n_{Nu} to $\sigma^*_{\text{C-X}}$

X = OR, F, Cl, Br, I, ...

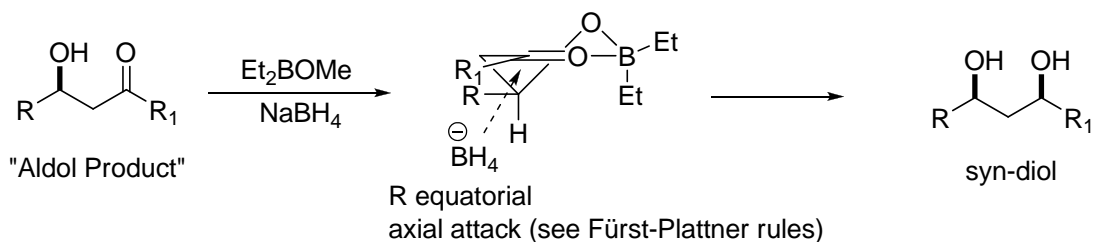
4.2. Addition to Carbonyls not Following the Felkin Ahn Model

4.2.1. Chelate Control

1,2 Chelate control



1,3 Chelate control



Factors favoring chelation

- R group sterically not hindered:

good: R = Me, Bn, MeOCH₂ (MOM), BnOCH₂ (BOM)

bad: R = ^tBu, SiMe₃, SiMe₂^tBu (TBDMS or TBS), SiⁱPr₃ (TIPS)

- non-coordinating solvents:

Toluene, CH₂Cl₂ >> Et₂O > THF >> DMF, EtOH, H₂O

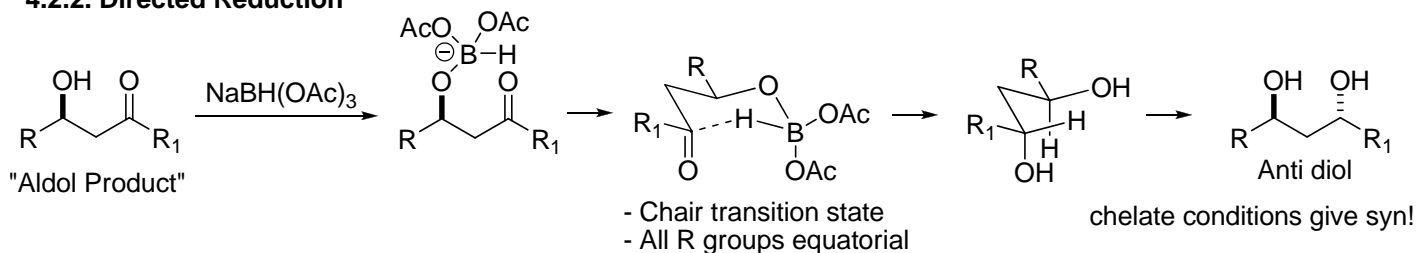
- Strong Lewis Acid, with more than one coordination site available

Bad: Na⁺, K⁺ (too weak Lewis Acid), BF₃ (only 1 coordination site), LiX

Good: MgX₂, ZnX₂, LiX, TiCl₄, SnCl₄, SnCl₂, LnX₃, AlCl₃,...

Importance of anion X: If X is not too tightly bond to the metal, it can dissociate generating a new free coordination site. F⁻, R⁻ generally don't dissociate, Cl⁻ and OAc⁻ can dissociate and Br⁻, I⁻, OTf⁻ often dissociate easily. For example BF₃ is not a chelating agent, but BBU₂OTf is a chelating agent.

4.2.2. Directed Reduction

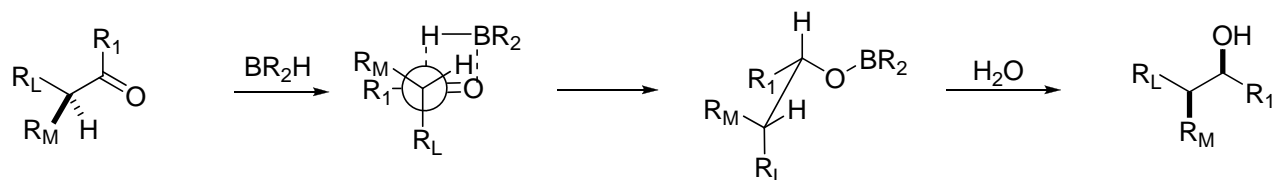


Sodium trisacetoxy borohydride is a very weak reducing reagent ⇒ Only intramolecular reduction is possible

Use of chelate conditions or directed reductions allow to acces both syn and anti diols from aldol synthon, and are also essential methods for the selective synthesis of polyols polyketide natural products.

4.2.3 Reagents Binding to Carbonyl during Addition

Borane Reduction



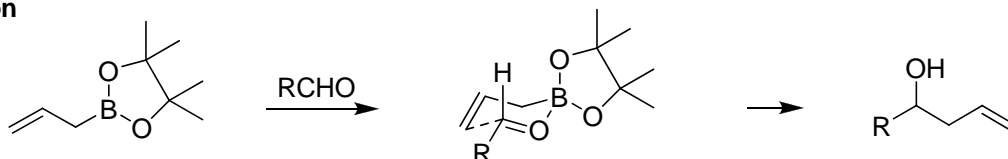
- R_L is \perp to $\text{C}=\text{O}$
- BR_2 bind to O during reduction
- Minimize BR_2 -Substrate interaction \Rightarrow Smallest Substituent towards BR_2 (H)

Other important examples where Felkin-Ahn models does not apply:

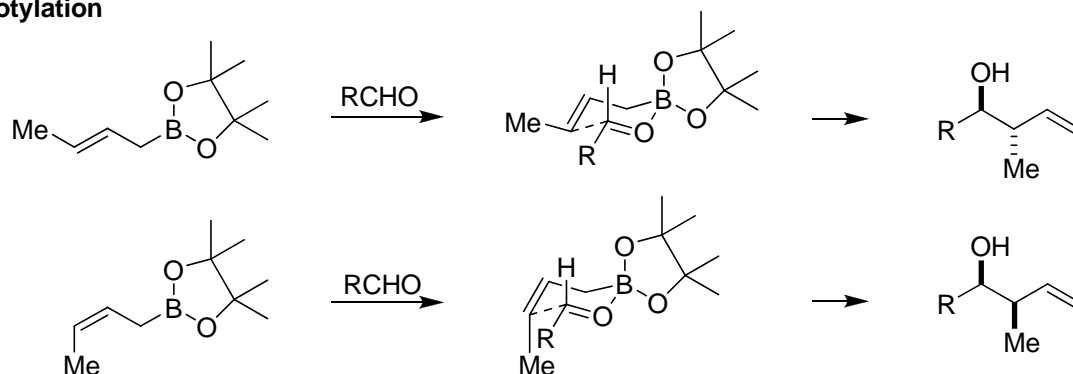
Allylation, Aldol Reactions via Chair Transition States

4.3 Allylation of Carbonyls

Allylation

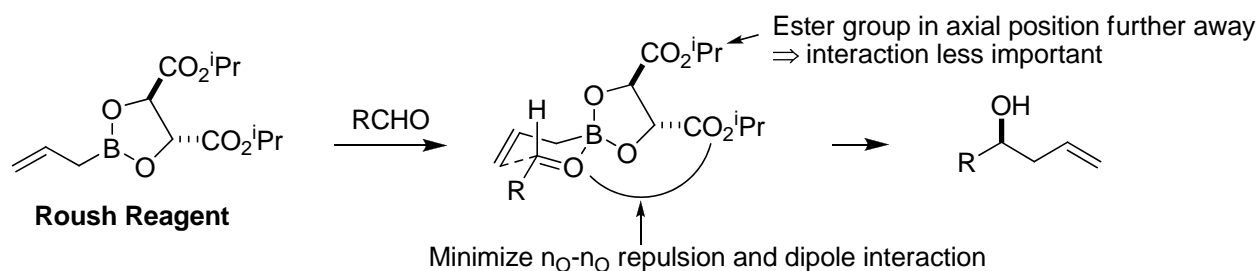


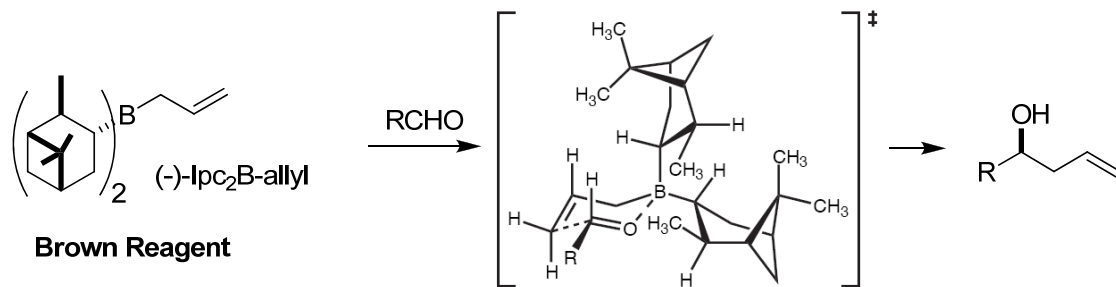
Crotylation



- 6-membered, chair transition state
- Substituent in equatorial position
- Transfer from double bond geometry to stereochemistry (*E* to anti, *Z* to cis)

Chiral Reagents For Allylation Reactions



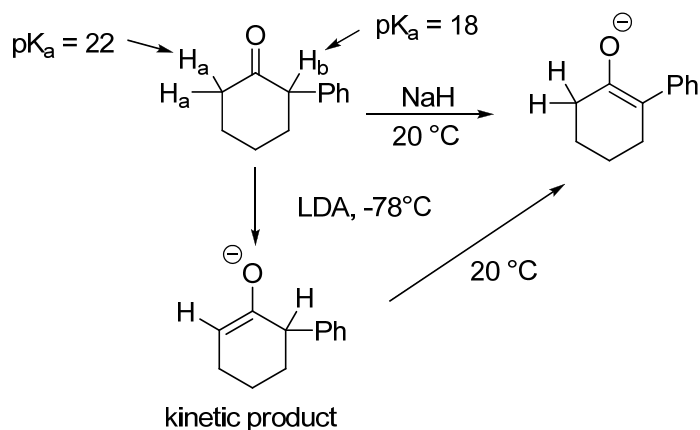


Brown Ipc reagent is very reliable and often used in total synthesis.

5. Enolate Generation and Reactivity

5.1 Selective Generation of Enolates

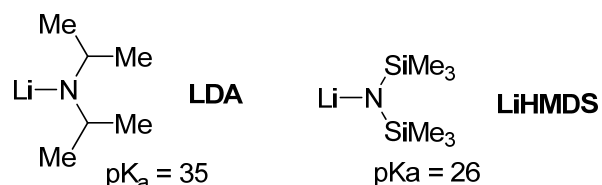
Kinetic vs thermodynamic control



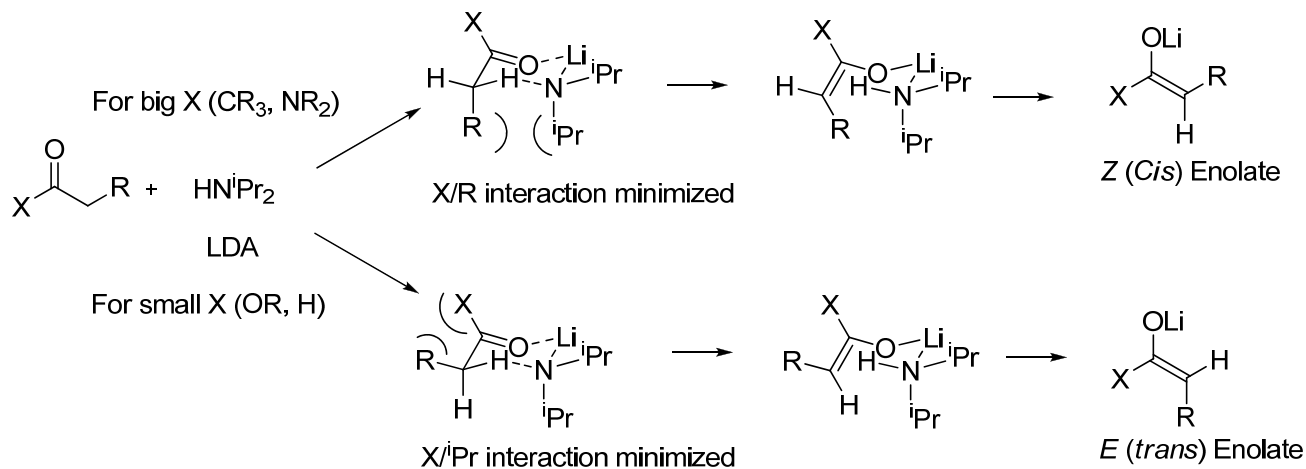
H_a is less sterically hindered, faster to deprotonate and leads to the kinetic product with bulky base at low temperature.

Deprotonation of H_b leads to the more stable conjugated double bond, the thermodynamic product, at higher temperature.

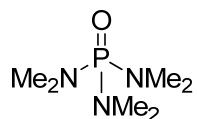
Important bases for kinetic deprotonation:



Deprotonation with LDA: *cis* vs *trans* selectivity

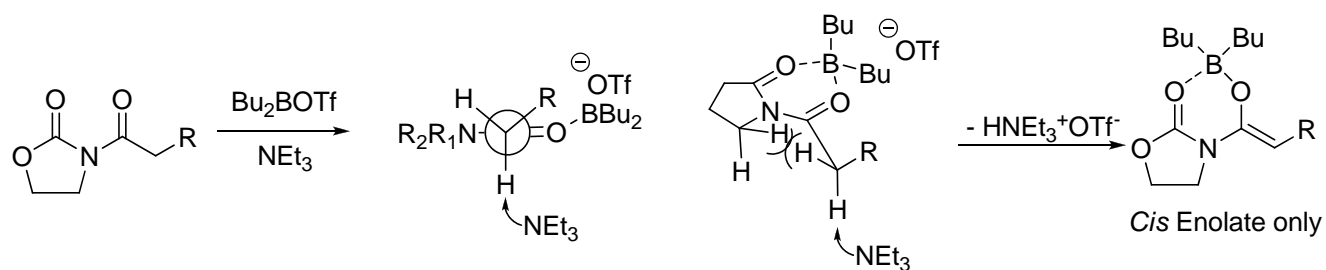


exception for esters: Adding HMPA leads to Z (*Cis*) Enolate



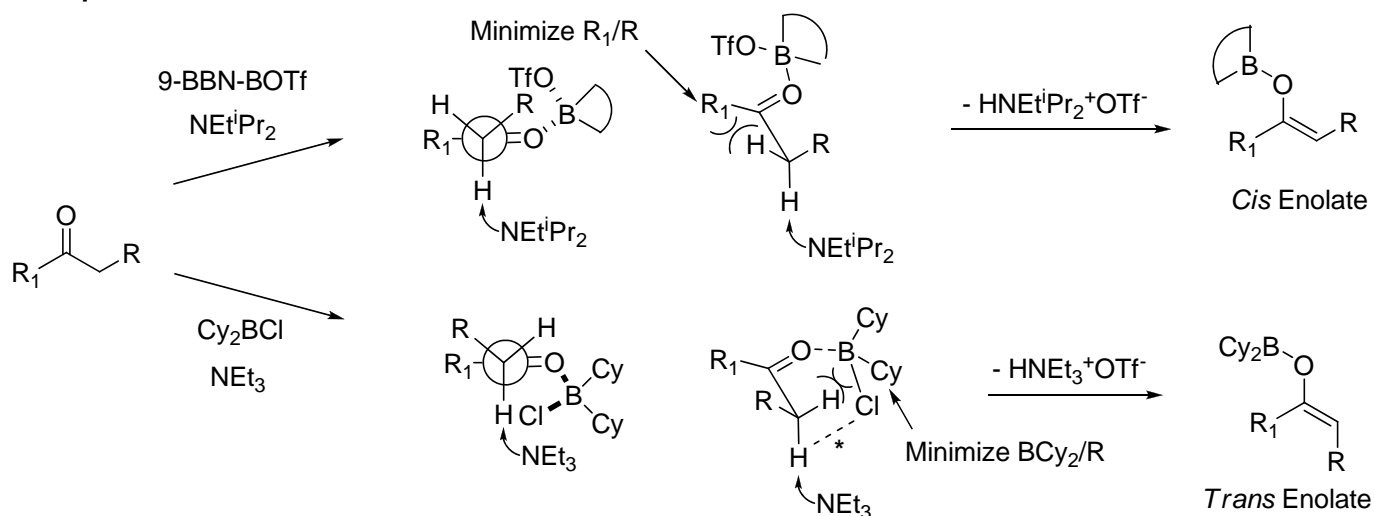
HMPA: good ligand for lithium \Rightarrow Cyclic transition state is partially disrupted

Deprotonation of Imides with Bu₂BOTf and NEt₃ (soft enolization)



Very strong A^{1,3} with Imides!

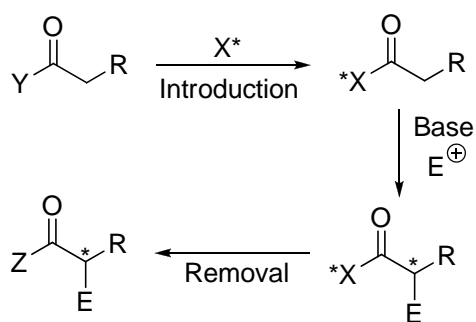
Deprotonation of Ketones



*The complete switch of selectivity is not well understood, some authors proposed an extra Cl-hydrogen interaction

5.2 Chiral Auxiliary and Enolate Alkylation

5.2.1 General Concept



The chiral auxiliary X* should be:

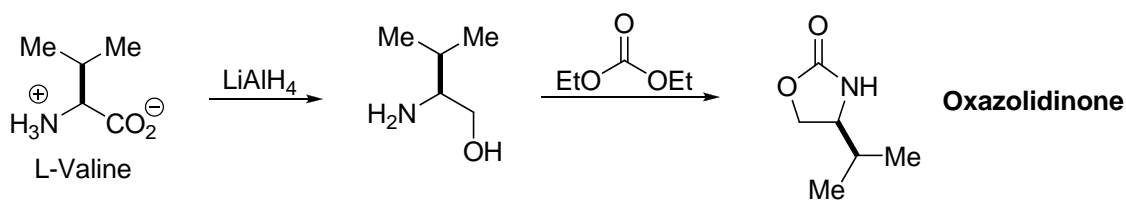
- easy to introduce and remove
- able to create an efficient asymmetric induction
- cheap and recoverable

Disadvantage: multi-step protocol

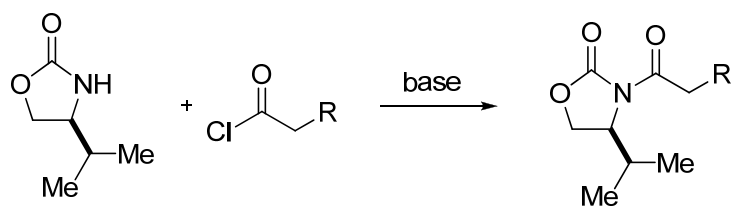
Advantage: chiral auxiliary is bound covalently: good asymmetric induction and separation of diastereomers possible

5.2.2 Evans Oxazolidinone Auxiliary

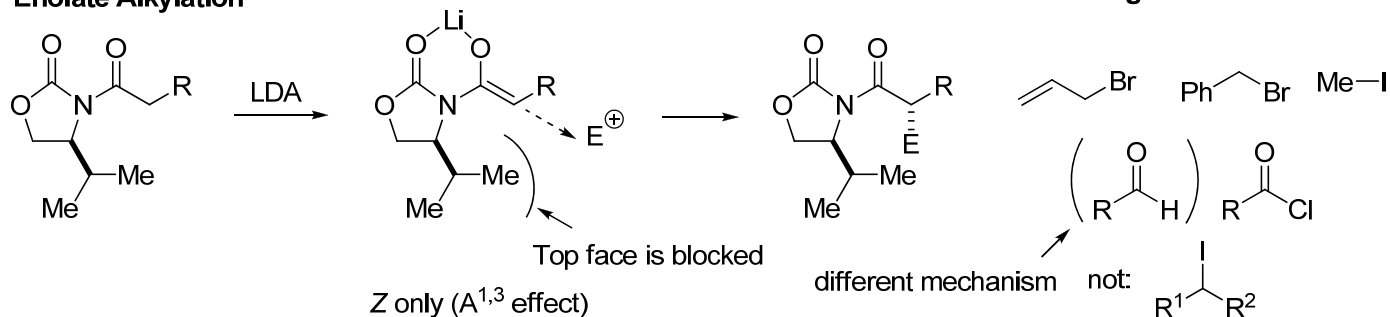
Synthesis: easy from cheap natural amino acid



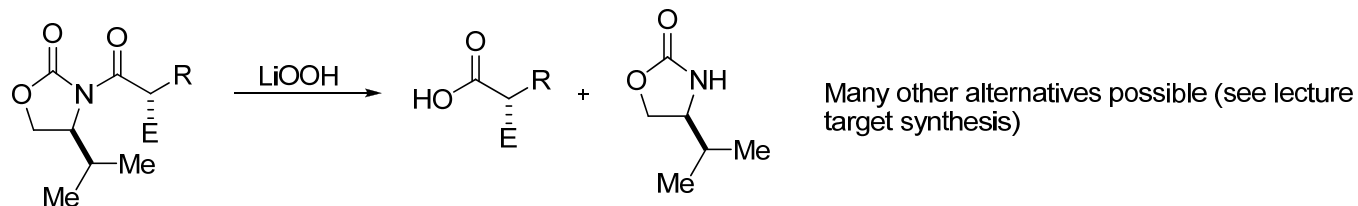
Auxiliary Introduction



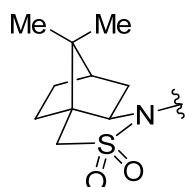
Enolate Alkylation



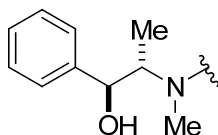
Auxiliary Removal



5.2.3 Other Auxiliaries



Oppolzer Sultam
From Camphor

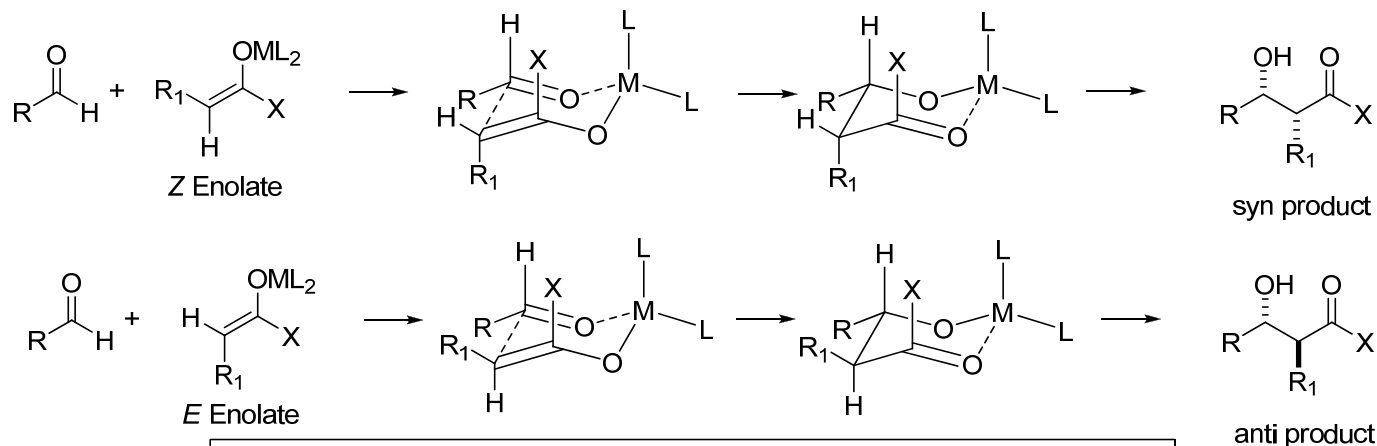


Myers Pseudoephedrin auxiliary

Myers auxiliary is often used for alkylation reaction in synthesis, as the enolate formed are more reactive than the ones from Evans' auxiliary

6. Aldol Reaction

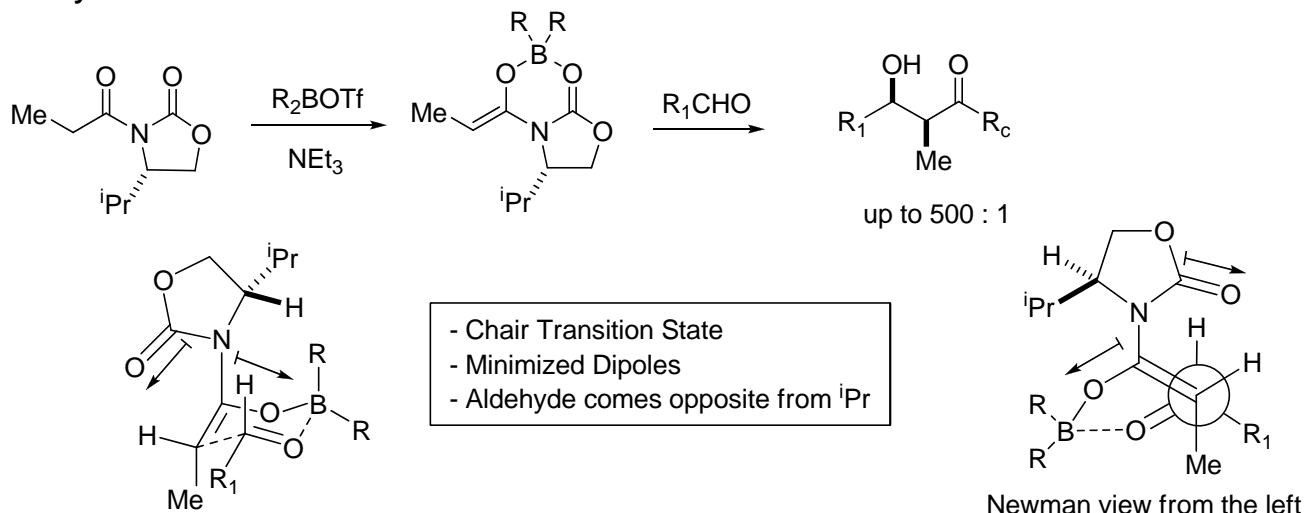
6.1 Zimmermann-Traxler Transition State



- Chair transition state (Zimmermann-Traxler)
- R group of aldehyde equatorial
- Geometry of double bond transferred to stereocenter: *cis* to *syn*, *trans* to *anti*

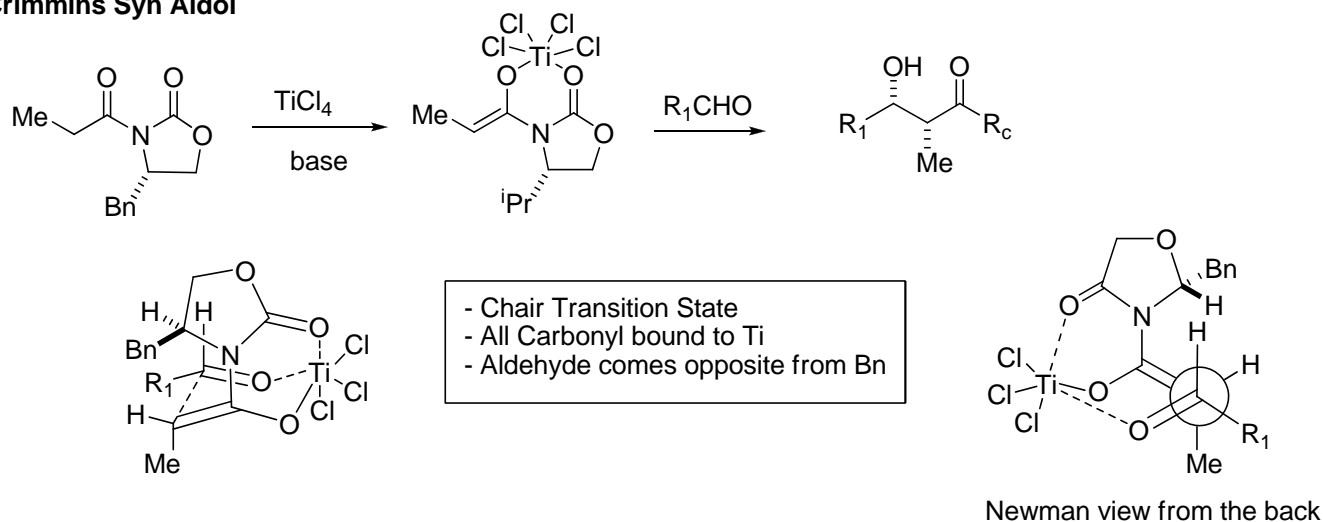
6.2 Aldol Reactions using Evans' Auxiliary

Evans Syn Aldol:

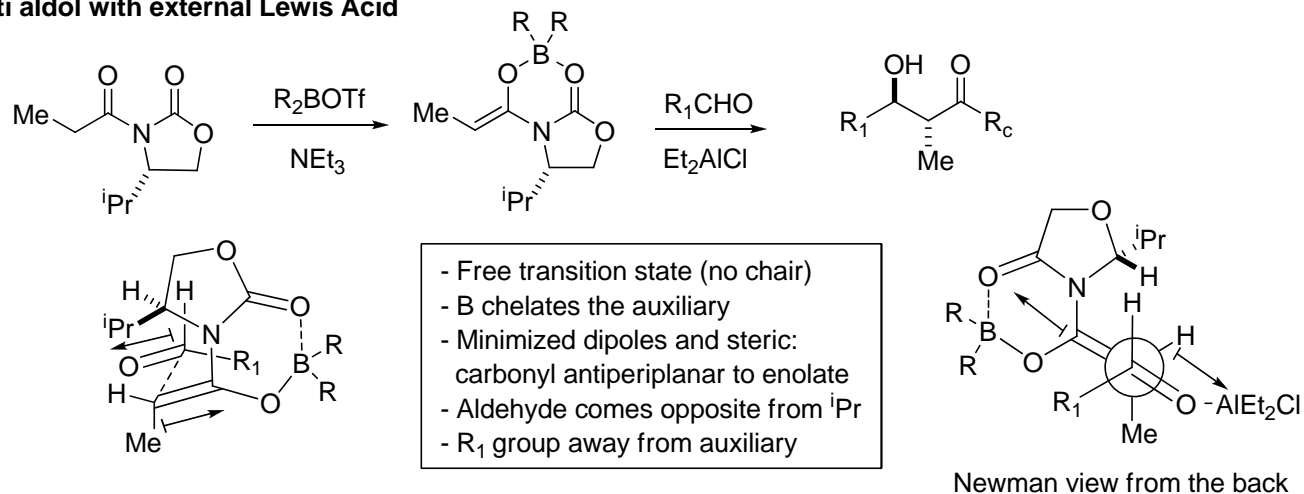


Important: In order to activate the aldehyde for addition, B has to bind to the aldehyde. As B has only two free binding sites, the oxazolidinone carbonyl is now free and rotates to minimize dipole interactions.

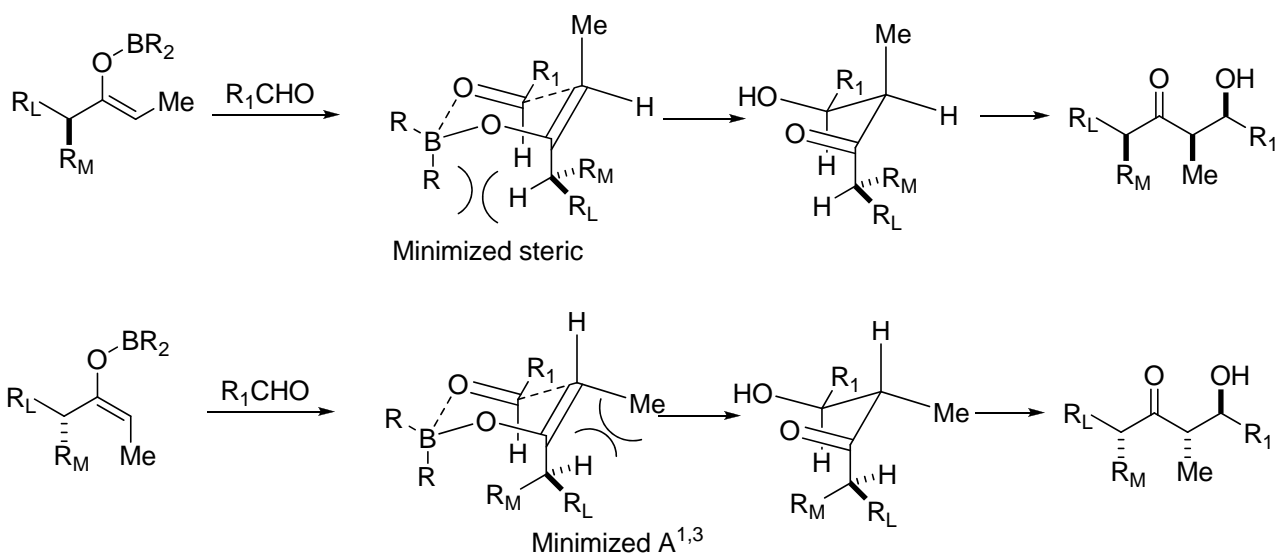
Crimmins Syn Aldol



Anti aldol with external Lewis Acid



6.3 Ketone (Paterson) Aldol

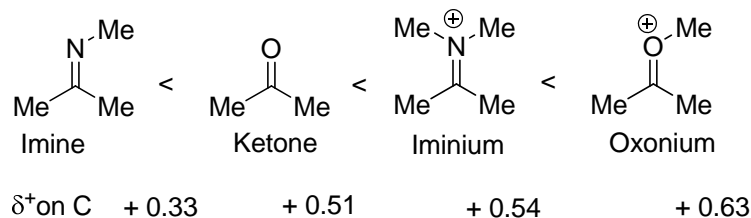


- Chair transition state
- R_1 group of aldehyde equatorial
- position of chiral group: minimize steric interaction with BR_2 for *cis* enolate, aldehyde comes towards R_M , not R_L , minimize $A^{1,3}$ with Me of enolate for *trans* enolate, R_M and not R_L towards BR_2 , aldehyde comes towards H

7. Reaction of Imines and Conjugated Systems (Mannich and Michael Reactions)

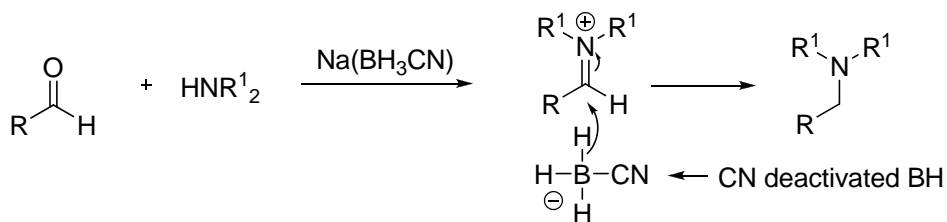
7.1 Chemistry of Imines

Comparison of Reactivity as Electrophile



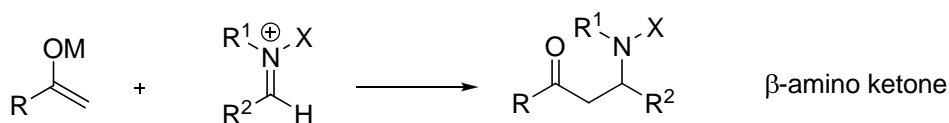
Imine are less reactive as electrophile than carbonyl compounds, but they are easy to activate as iminium

Reductive Amination



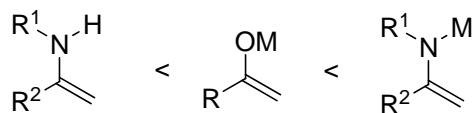
Because of the electron-withdrawing CN group, $Na(BH_3CN)$ is not able to reduce carbonyls, but it is strong enough to reduce the more reactive iminium.

Mannich Reaction = Imine equivalent of aldol reaction



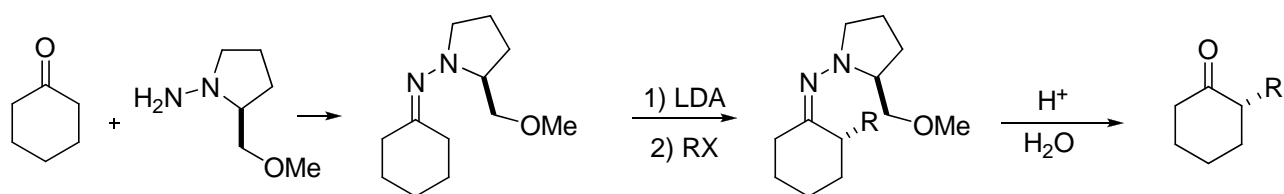
7.2 Chemistry of Enamine and Metalloenamine

Comparison of Nucleophilicity

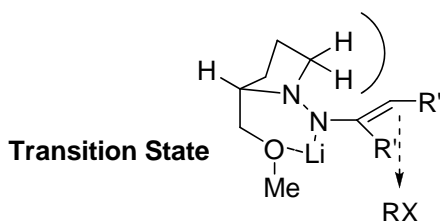


Enamine are easily formed from iminium, but less nucleophilic than enolate. Metalloenamine are very reactive.

Enders SAMP Chiral Auxiliary for Ketone

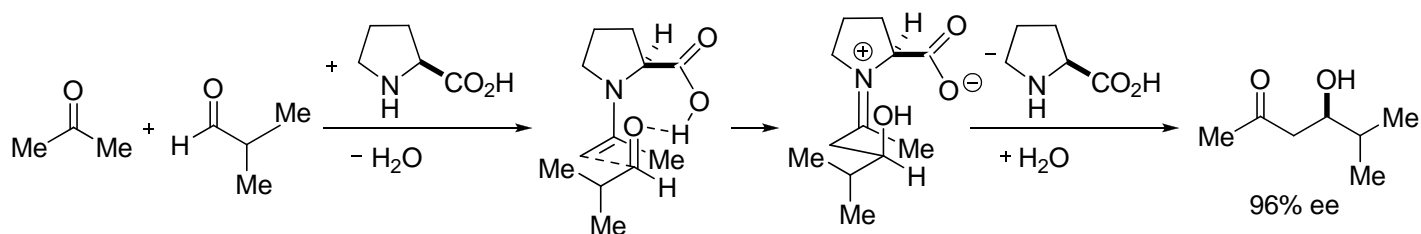


SAMP Hydrazone



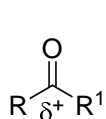
- A highly reactive Li enamine is formed
- The Li metal is bound opposite to the enamine double bond to minimize steric interactions with the electrophile
- The electrophile comes opposite to the pyrrolidine ring

Proline Catalyzed Aldol: via enamine intermediates

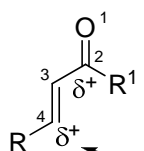


7.3 Conjugate Addition and the Vinylogous Principle (Michael Addition)

Vinylogous Principle



compared to



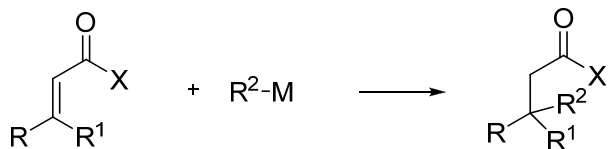
Electronic properties are "transmitted" by double bond = vinylogous principle

Regioselectivity

- 1,2 -Addition favored for hard nucleophile (Grignard)
- 1,4 (Michael) Addition favored for soft nucleophile (Cuprate)

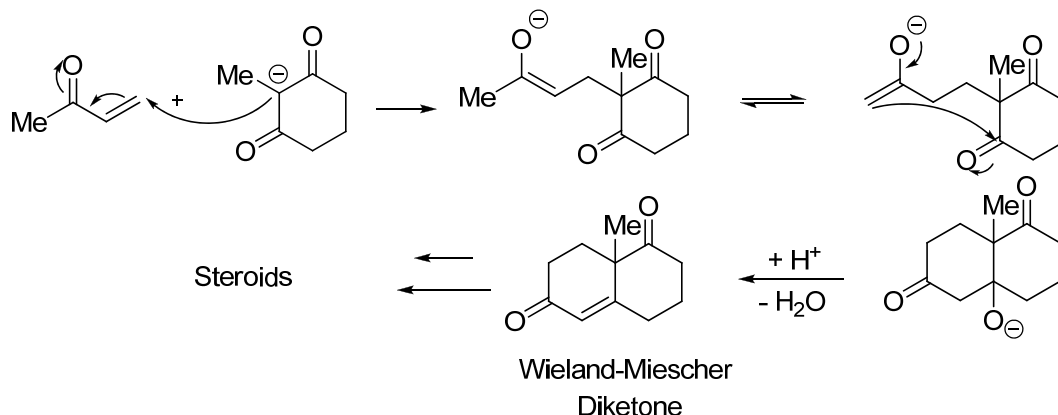
Important Applications of Michael Addition

Synthesis of (all-carbon) quaternary centers



quaternary centers are generally difficult to synthesize!

Robinson annulation



Steroids

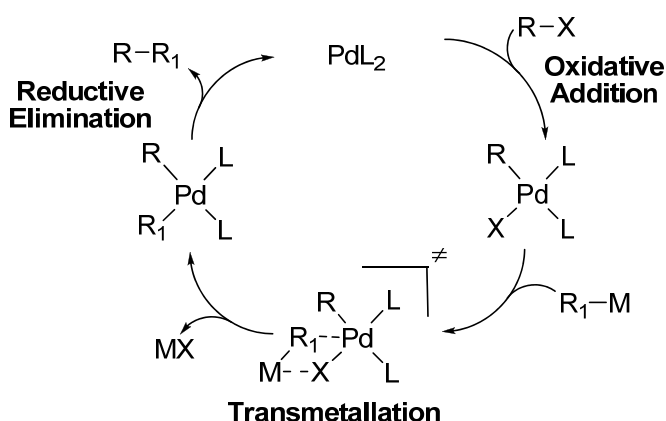
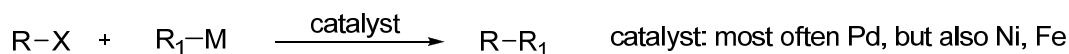
Wieland-Miescher
Diketone

The asymmetric variation of this method is possible with proline as a catalyst (Hajos-Parrish-Eder-Sauer-Wiechert Reaction)

8. Cross Coupling Reactions

Cross Coupling reactions are very often used in medicinal chemistry and synthesis nowadays!

8.1 Organometallic-RX Cross Coupling



M = BX₂: **Suzuki**
M = SnR₃: **Stille**
M = ZnX: **Negishi**
M = MgX: **Kumada**
special: R₁-M = R₂-C≡C-CuX: **Sonogashira**

Scope:

R and R₁ groups

easy: R, R₁ = aryl, alkenyl, alkynyl
difficult: R₁ = alkyl
very difficult R = alkyl (topic of current research)

X groups

easy: I, Br, OTf
difficult but more interesting: Cl, OTos, H

Comparison of Organometallic Reagents

Reactivity: BX₂ < SnR₃ < ZnX < MgX

Stability: BX₂ > SnR₃ > ZnX > MgX

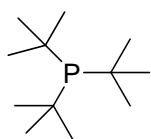
Boronic acid derivatives are the most stable, but they need activation with nucleophile (OH⁻) to react!

Recent efforts to accelerate oxidative addition (important to use cheaper Cl reagents)

Oxidative addition is faster for:

Electron-rich ligands (more electrons)
mono-coordinated Pd intermediates (more place)

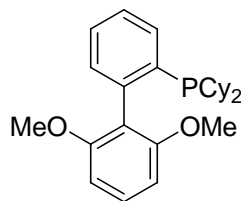
Important recently introduced ligands:



Tri-tert-butyl phosphine

Fu, MIT

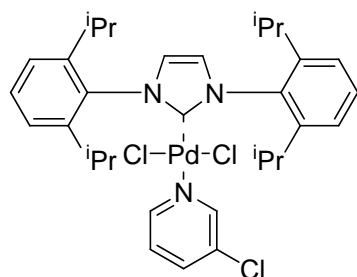
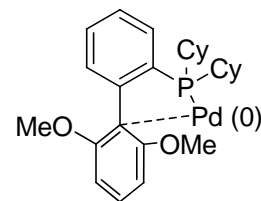
Steric bulk to promote mono-coordination



Biarylphosphine

Buchwald, MIT

Pd-Aryl interaction to promote mono-coordination

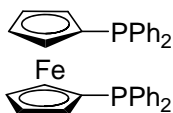


N-Heterocyclic Carbenes (NHC)

more electron-rich than phosphines

here: commercially available PEPPSI ligand (Aldrich)

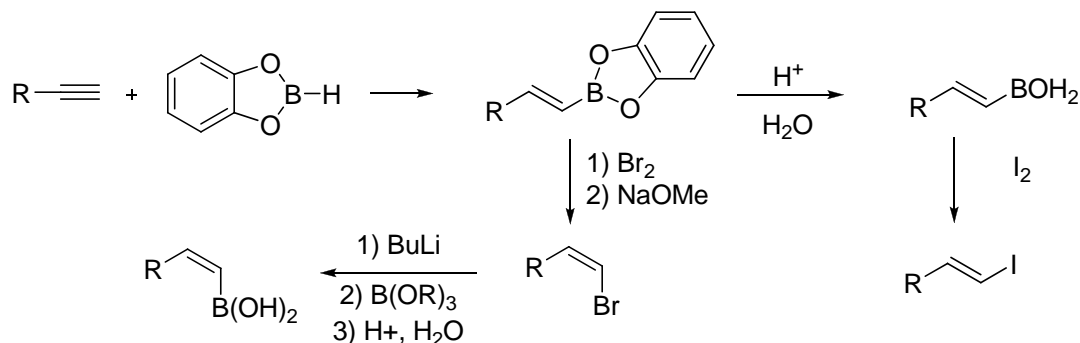
Special for Suzuki with alkyl-boronic acid derivatives



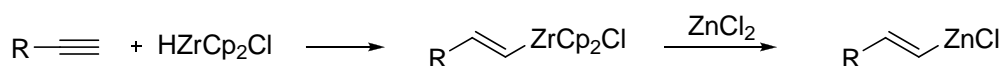
dppf (Di(bisphenylphosphino)ferrocene)

Bidentate ligand good to prevent β -hydride elimination

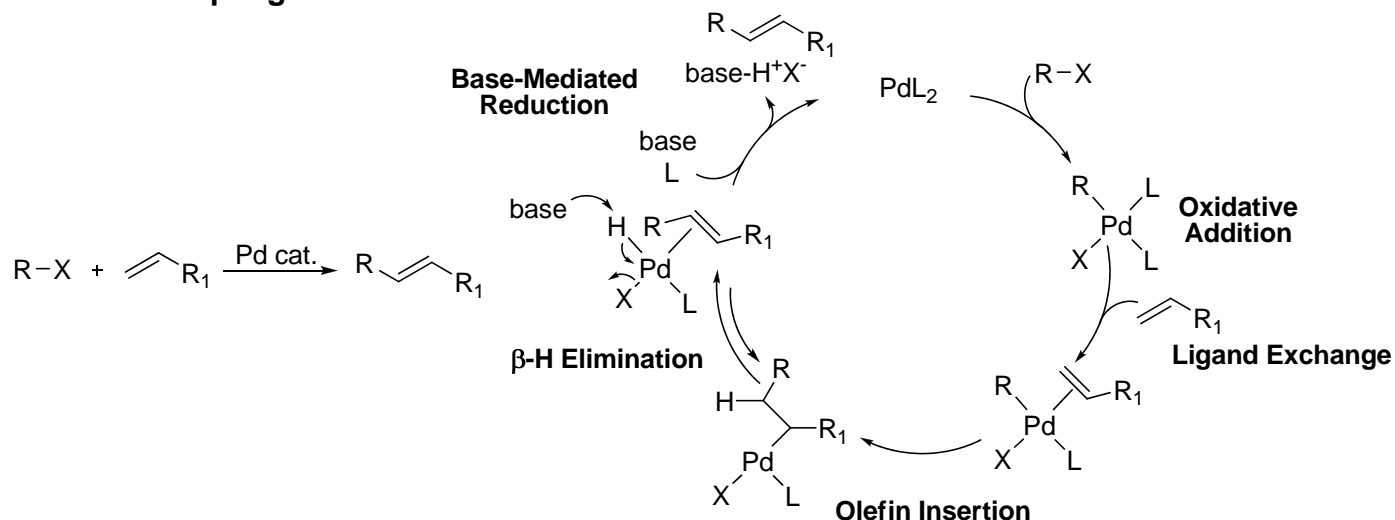
Building blocks for the synthesis of all diene isomers via Suzuki coupling



Hydrozirconation-Transmetalation for the synthesis of Organozinc reagents:

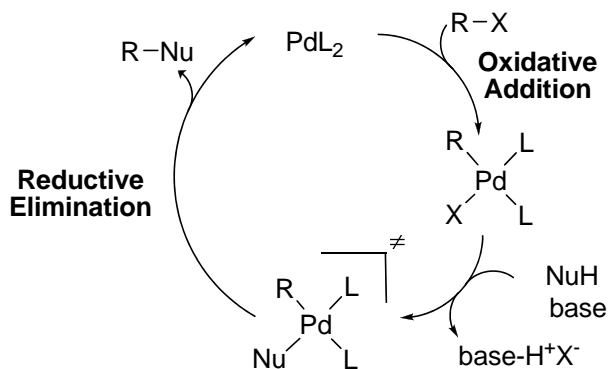
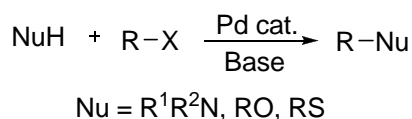


8.2 Heck Coupling



The β-H elimination step is reversible, which can lead to isomerization of the double bond!

8.3 C-Heteroatom Coupling



Especially the amination (**Buchwald-Hartwig Amination**) is important for pharma

8.4 Future Progress and Current Topic of Research: Olefin and CH Functionalization

9. Cycloadditions

9.1 Diels-Alder Cycloaddition

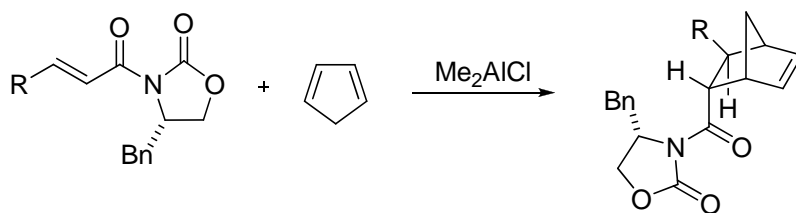
9.1.1 General Aspects

Mechanism, endo and ortho rules: see supplementary material

Important Dienes

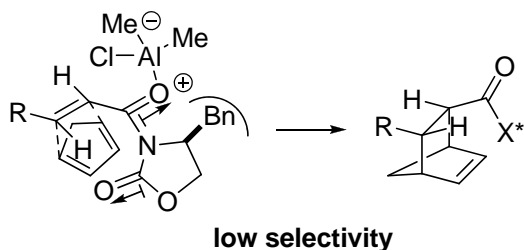


9.1.2 Diastereoselective Diels-Alder Reactions with Evans' Auxiliary

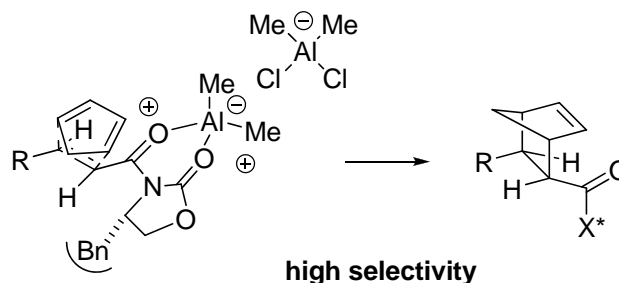


2 Different models depending of stoichiometry of Lewis Acid:

1 Eq. Me_2AlCl : no chelate



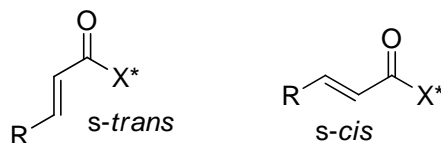
2 Eq. Me_2AlCl : chelate



- Endo transition state
- Minimize dipole with oxazolidinone
- L. A. binds O opposite to bulky Bn group
- Dienophile in *s-trans* conformation to prevent interaction with L. A.
- Diene comes opposite to bulky Bn

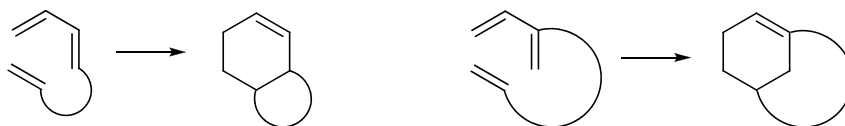
- Endo transition state
- Abstraction of Cl by second L. A. allows chelation
- Dienophile in *s-cis* conformation to prevent interaction with bulky Bn
- Diene comes opposite to bulky Bn

In this case, different mechanisms lead to the same product, because two key structural elements are changing: chelation vs dipole control and *s-cis* vs *s-trans* conformation of dienophile

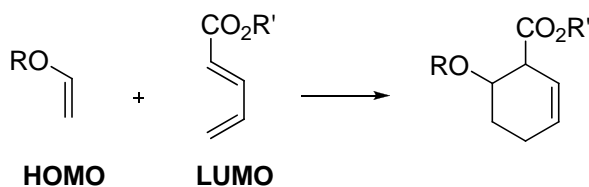


9.1.3 Special Diels-Alder Reactions

Intramolecular Diels-Alder Reactions



Inverse Electron-Demand Diels-Alder Reactions



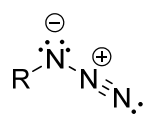
Retro Diels-Alder Reactions



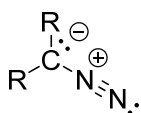
Retro Diels-Alder reaction is particularly good if the products are very stable (aromatic compounds) and/or stable gases that escape the reaction mixture (N_2 , CO_2)

9.2 [3+2] Cycloaddition Reactions (1,3-Dipolar Cycloadditions)

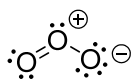
Important 1,3-dipoles



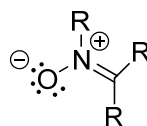
Azide



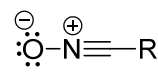
Diazo



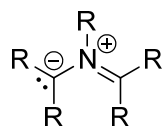
Ozone



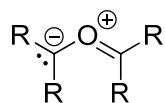
Nitronium



Nitrile Oxide

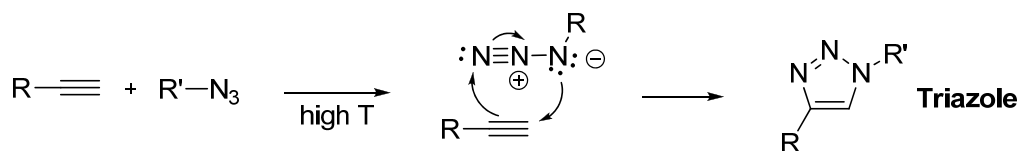


azomethine ylide



carbonyl ylide

Huisgen Cycloaddition of Azide and Acetylene

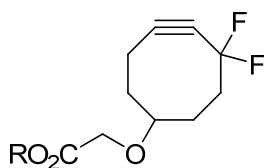


Sharpless: At room temperature with Cu catalyst = example of Click Chemistry

Click chemistry: ideally: easy reaction for the addition of compounds, without waste generation, with high tolerance towards impurities and functional group, at room temperature and physiological conditions

Very interesting properties of this reaction: it can be performed in the presence of virtually any other functional group and azide, and to a lesser extent acetylenes, are absent in biomolecules: this reaction is ideally suited for the synthesis of bioconjugates.

Bertozzi trick: use strained alkynes in rings to promote reaction at room temperature without catalyst in living cell!

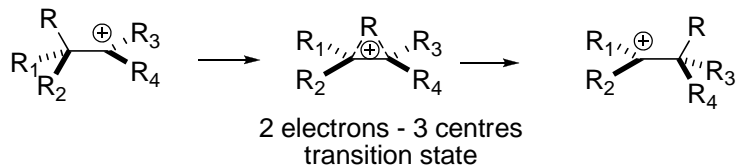


10. Rearrangements

10.1 Rearrangement via Reactive Intermediates

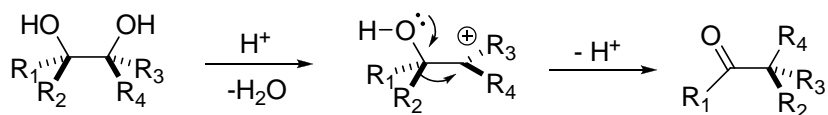
10.1.1 Cationic Intermediates

1,2-Alkyl Shift: Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement

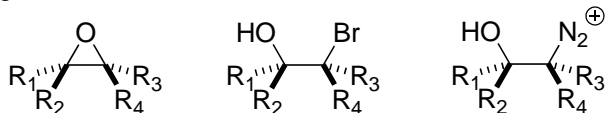


The group which stabilizes the best the cation is migrating

Pinacol Rearrangement

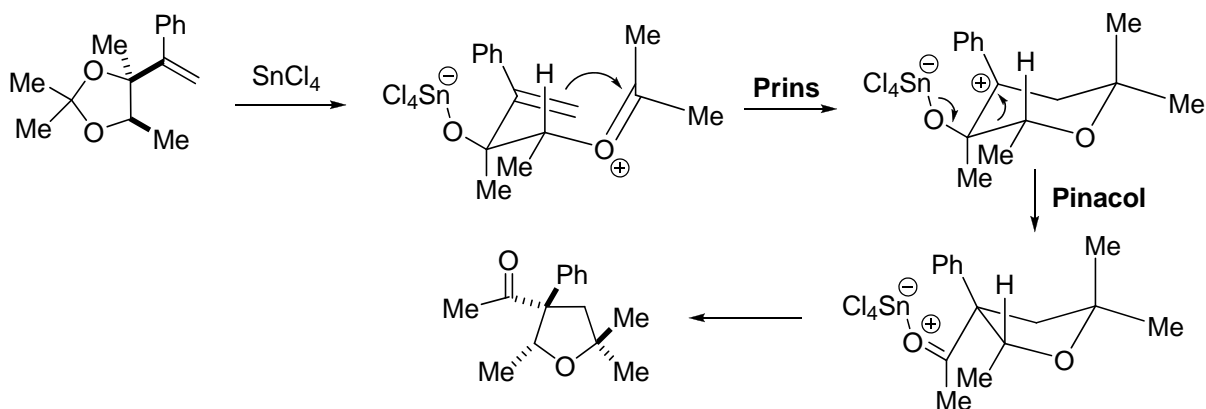


Same Starting from:



Semi-Pinacol Rearrangements

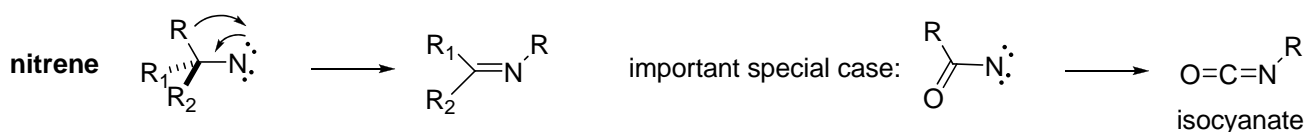
Prins-Pinacol:



10.1.2 Carbene and Nitrene Intermediates



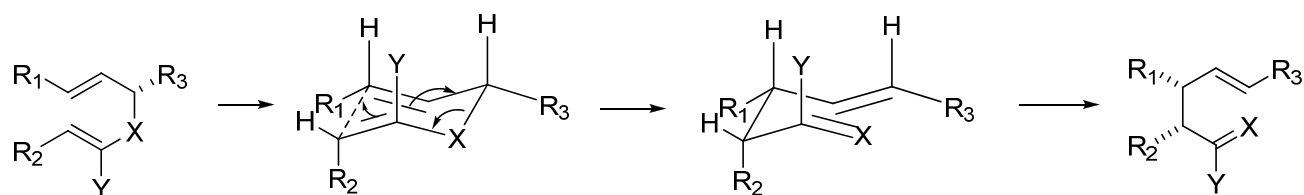
Name Reactions: Fritsch-Buttenberg-Wiechell, Arndt-Einstert, Wolff.



Name Reactions: Curtius, Hofmann, Lossen, Schmidt

10.2 [3,3] Sigmatropic Rearrangements

10.2.1 General Mechanism



- Chair transition state (with rare exceptions)
- R groups at SP³ centers equatorial
- Transfer of double bond geometry to stereocenter and stereocenter to double bond geometry

Name Reactions: Cope (X = C), Oxy-Cope (X = C, R₃ = OH), Anionic Oxy-Cope (X = C, R₃ = O⁻), Claisen (X = O), Johnson-Claisen (X = O, Y = OR), Ireland-Claisen (X = O, Y = OLi, OSiR₃)

10.2.2 Overman's Aza-Cope Mannich approach towards Strychnine

