## Recent Advances in the Total Synthesis of Natural Products Containing Eight-

 Membered Carbocycles (2009-2019)Li et al. Chem. Rev. 2020, 120, 5910-5953
"The more there are methods to access a certain scaffold, more it is difficult to make that scaffold"
-> 8-membered rings
Strain energy = $14 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ (cyclohexane: $1 \mathrm{kcal} / \mathrm{mol}$ )
Multiple conformations because flexible -> stereoselctivity is challenging
$B C$ is generally favoured but depends on substituion pattern
Challenge in TS: bridged, fused polycycles, FG tolerance

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(+)-pleuromutilin
(+)-12-epi-mutilin

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## SOLUTIONS

1-hydroxytaxinine (Inoue et al. Angew. Chem. Int .Ed. 2019, 58, 12159-12163)


1. $\mathrm{iBu}_{2} \mathrm{AlH}, \mathrm{HCl}$
2. $\mathrm{TiCl}_{4}, \mathrm{Zn}$ pyr

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3. $\mathrm{Et}_{2} \mathrm{Zn}, \mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{I}_{2}$

farnesol


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