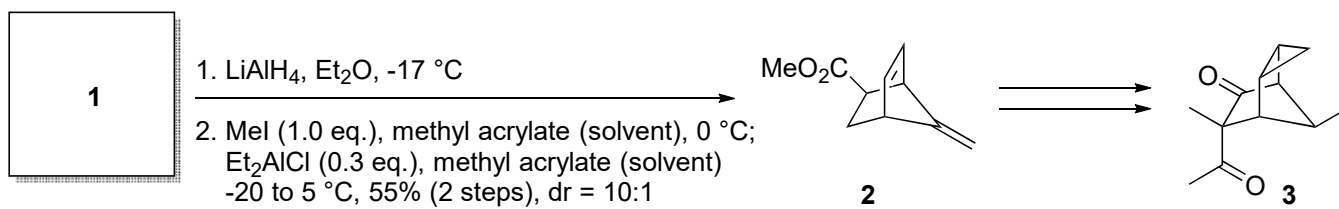


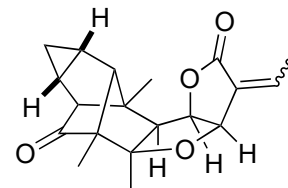
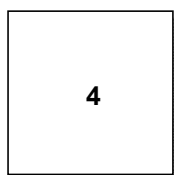
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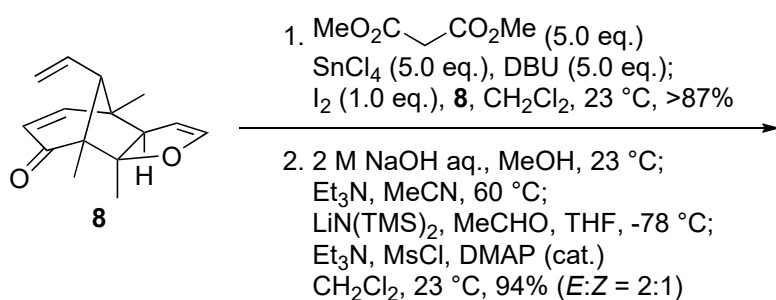
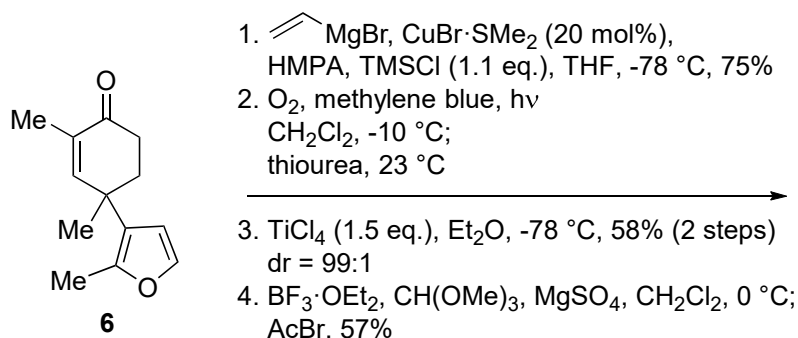


1.  $\text{LiN}(\text{TMS})_2$ ,  $\text{CF}_3\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_2\text{CF}_3$  (1.3 eq.)  
THF,  $-78^\circ\text{C}$
  2.  $\text{Et}_3\text{N}$ ,  $\text{MsN}_3$ , MeCN, rt
  3.  $\text{Rh}_2(\text{OAc})_4$  (1.0 mol%),  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , reflux  
76% (3 steps)
- $\xrightarrow[4. \text{LDA, PhNTf}_2, \text{THF}, -78 \text{ to } 5^\circ\text{C}, 64\%]{5. \text{Me}_2\text{Zn, Pd}(\text{PPh}_3)_4 (5.0 \text{ mol}\%), \text{THF}, 0^\circ\text{C to rt, quant.}$
6.  $\text{Br}_2\text{CNOH}$ ,  $\text{KHCO}_3$ , EtOAc, rt, 91%



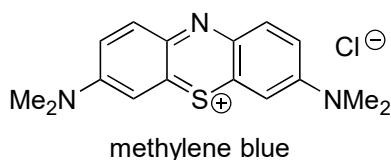
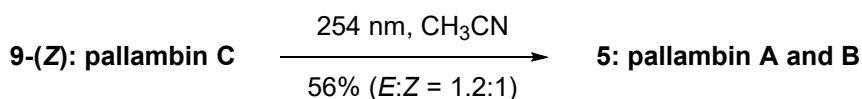
**5-(Z): pallambin A**  
**5-(E): pallambin B**

2. Please fill in the blanks and provide reaction mechanism.



**9-(Z): pallambin C**  
**9-(E): pallambin D**

3. Please provide the reaction mechanism.



# Problem Session (4) Answer

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Topics: Total syntheses of pallambins

## Introduction

Isolation

Pallambin D

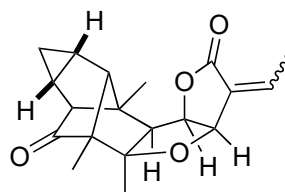
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(from liverwort *Pallavicinia subciliata*)

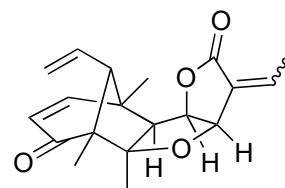
Pallambins A-D

Lou, H.-X. et al. *Org. Lett.* **2012**, *14*, 1102.

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**5-(Z): pallambin A**  
**5-(E): pallambin B**



**9-(Z): pallambin C**  
**9-(E): pallambin D**

Biological activity

Ability to reverse the adriamycin-induced resistance of K562/A02 cells

Total syntheses (racemic)

Wong, H. N. C. et al. *Chem. Commun.* **2012**, *48*, 8517. (pallambins C and D)

Ebner, C. and Carreira, E. M. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2015**, *54*, 11227. (pallambins A and B) (Problem 1)

Baran, P. S. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2016**, *138*, 7536. (pallambins C and D) (Problem 2)

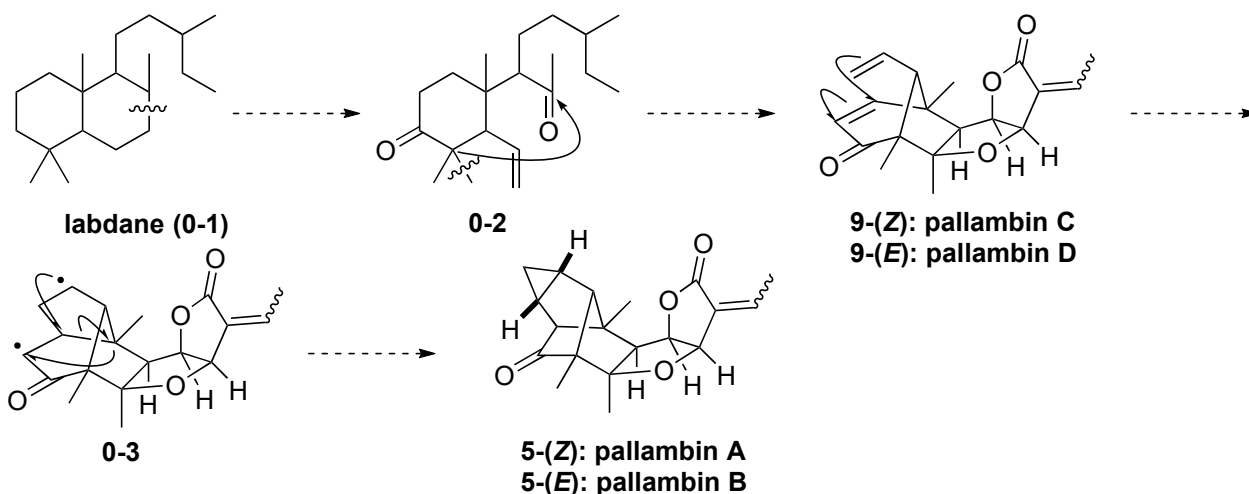
Plausible Biosynthetic pathway

Labdane to pallambin D

Asakawa, Y. et al. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **1998**, *46*, 178.

Pallambins C and D to pallambins A and B

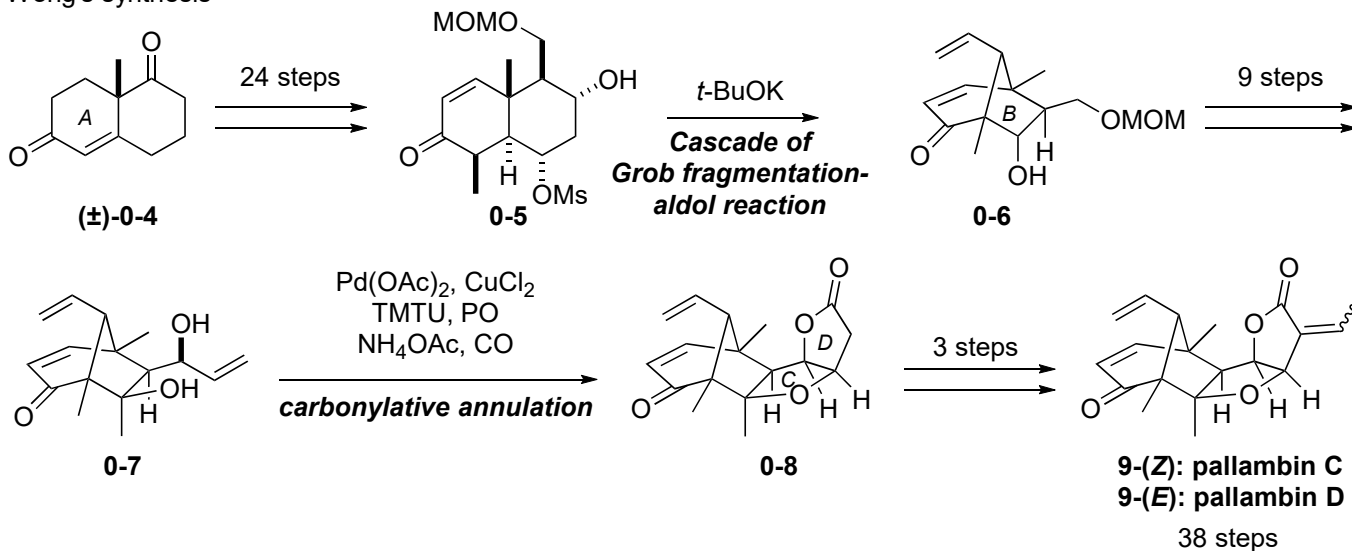
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Interconversion from pallambin C to pallambins A and B

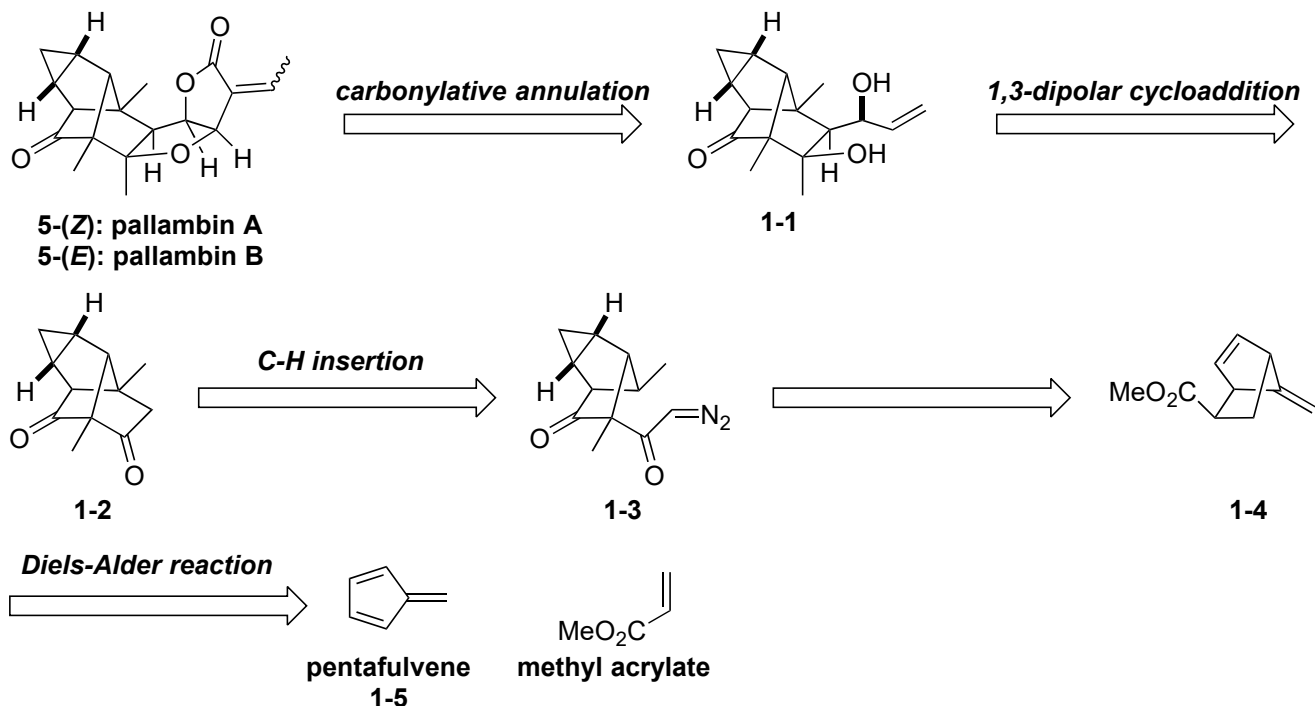
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Wong's synthesis



**Problem 1**  
**Total syntheses of pallambins A and B (Carreira's group)**

**Retrosynthetic analysis**

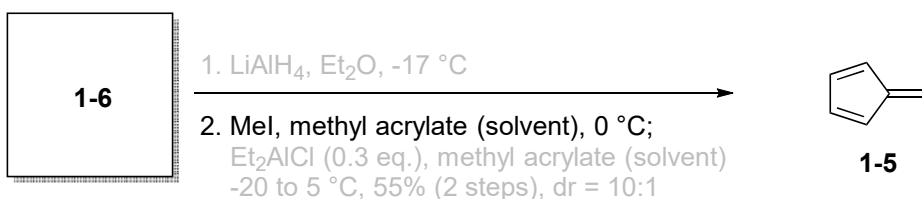
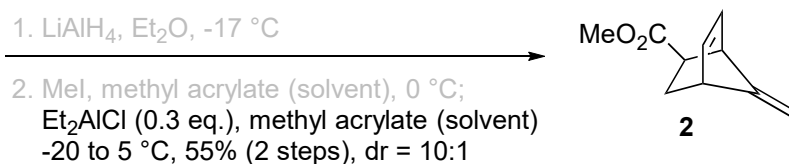
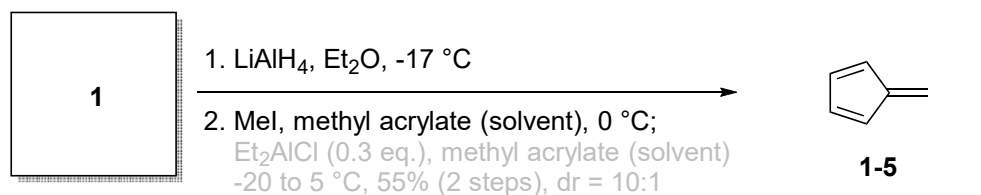
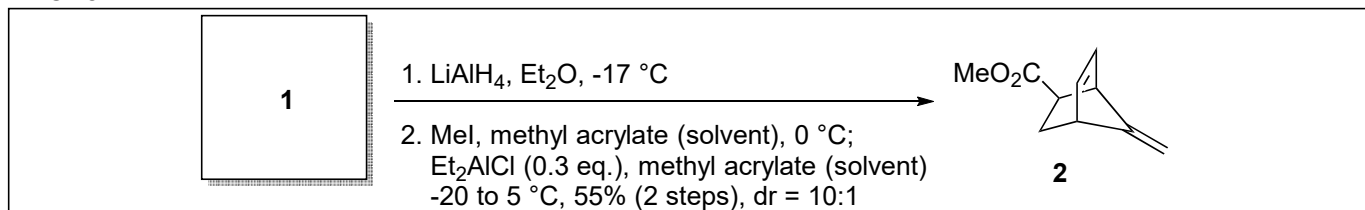


**Pentafulvene**

An isomer of benzene  
 Polymerizations occurs with light and heat  
 Acid and base sensitive  
 Stable in neat form only below -70 °C

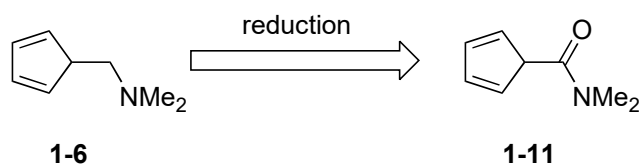
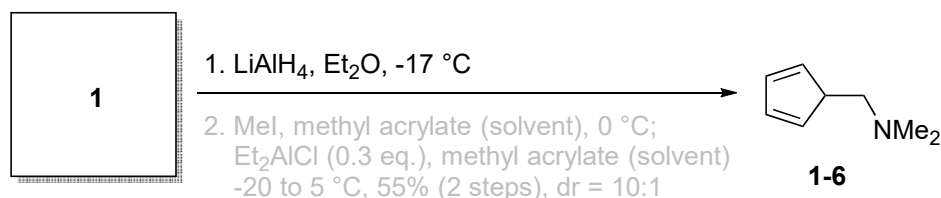
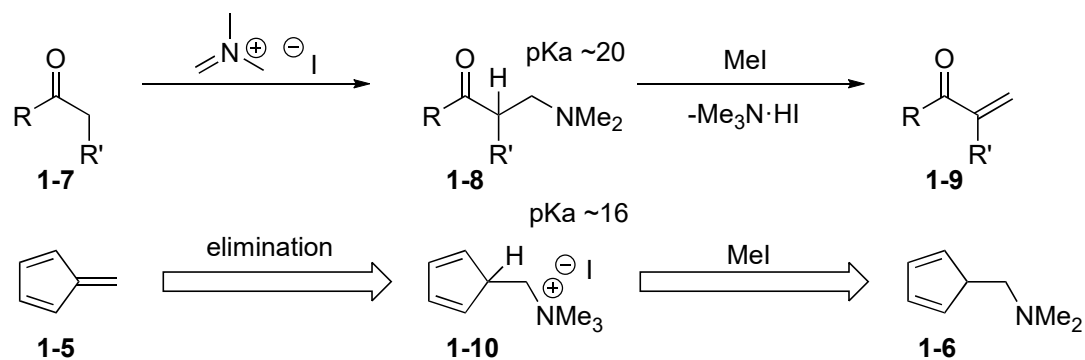
Generation in situ is required.

**Answer**



Pentafulvene has no methyl group.  
 MeI is used for elimination.

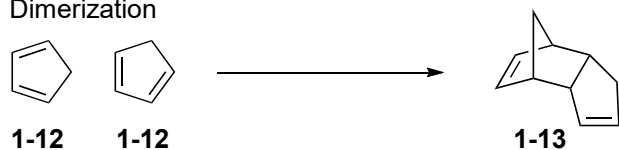
## Eschenmoser methylenation (Hofmann elimination)



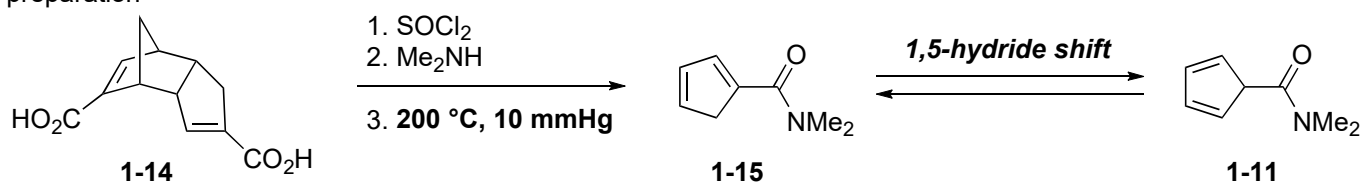
**1-11** is substituted cyclopentadiene.

## Reactivity of cyclopentadiene

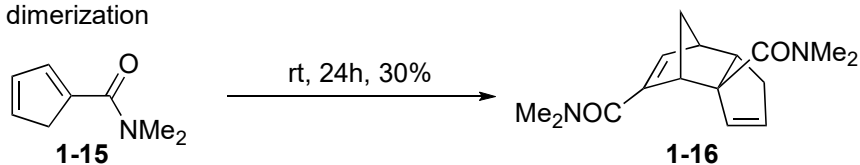
Dimerization



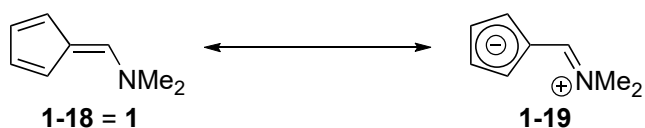
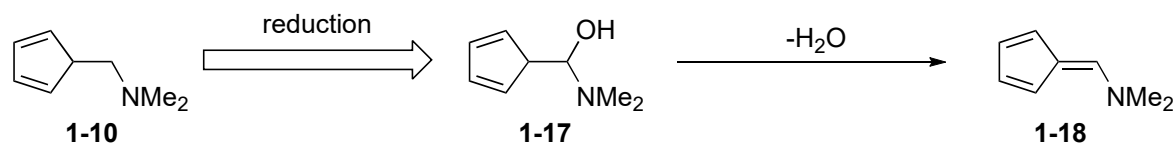
experimental data of **1-11** (Peters, D. J. Chem. Soc. 1960, 1832.)  
preparation



dimerization

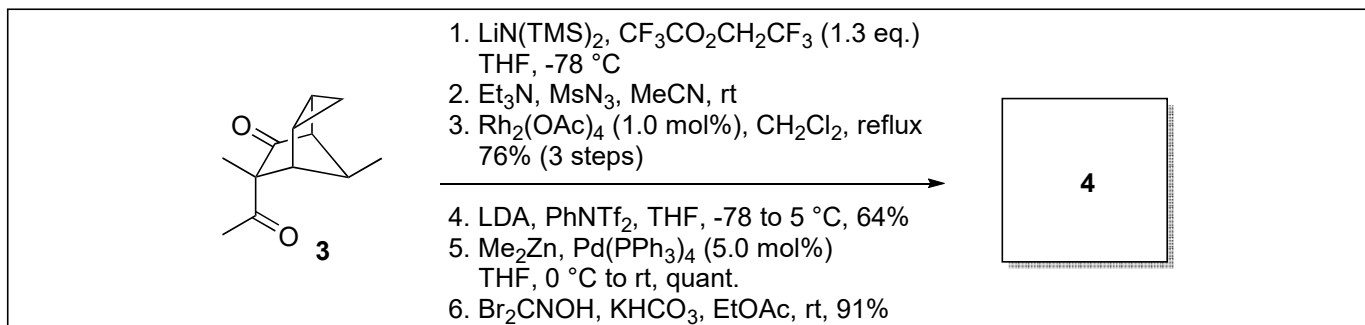
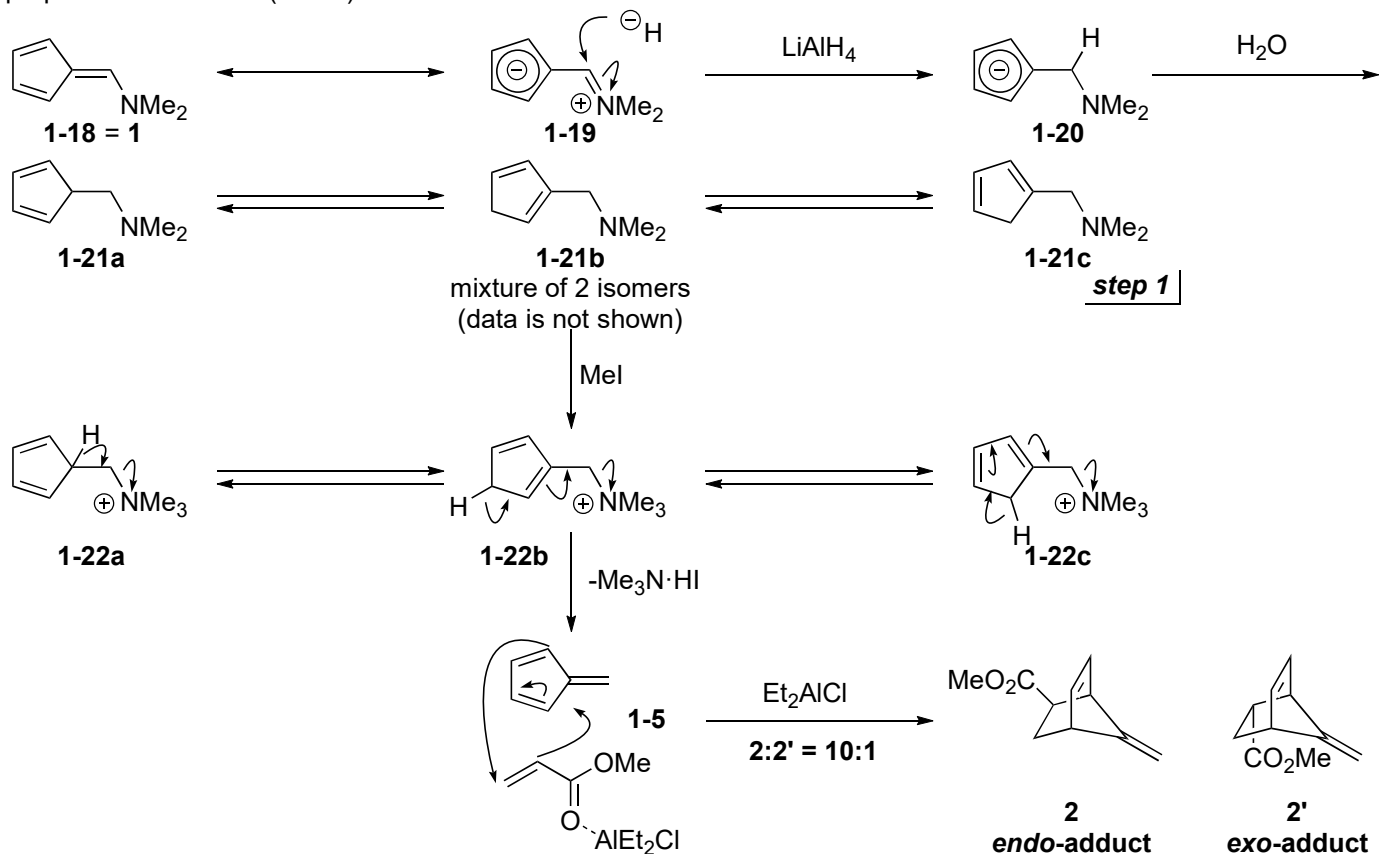


**1-11** (**1-15**) is not suitable to use the precursor of pentafulvene.

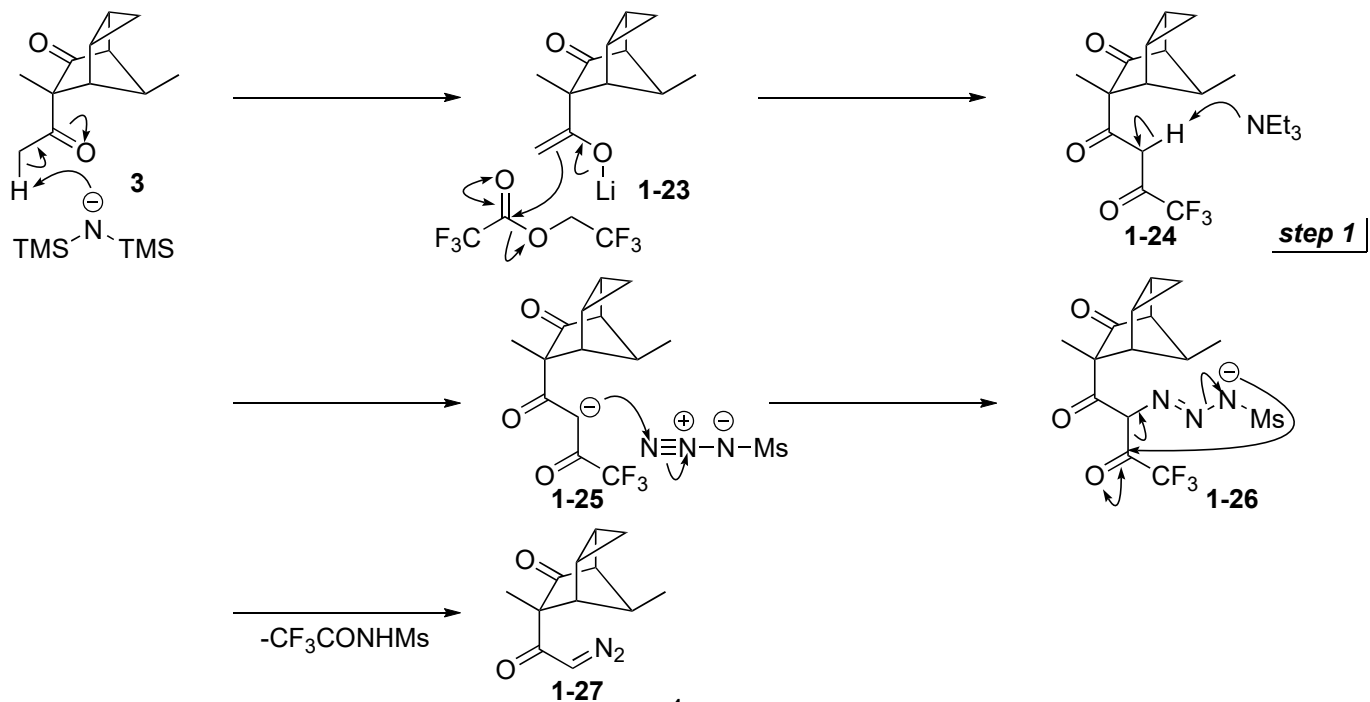


**1-18** seems to be stable because its resonance structure **1-19** has aromaticity. Actually, **1-18** is commercial available and bench-stable compound.

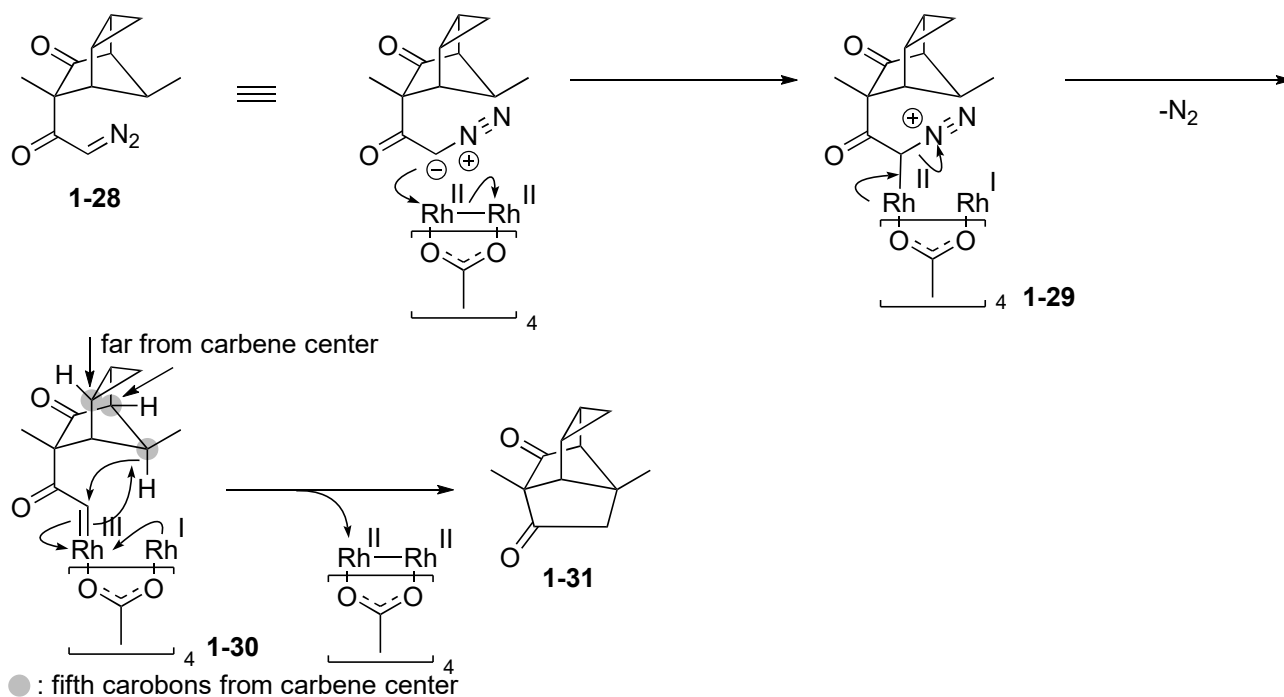
proposed mechanism (1 -> 2)



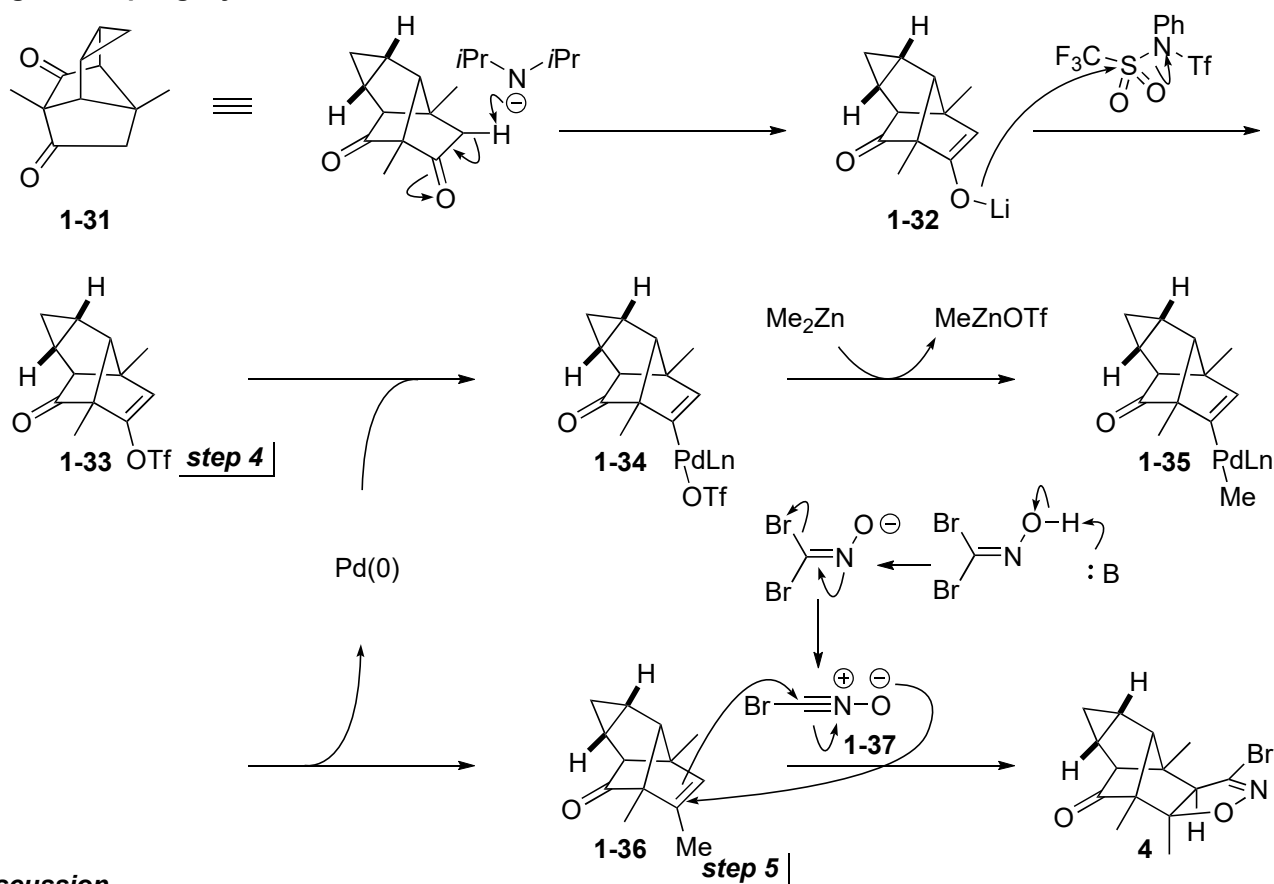
**Step 1,2**  
**Diazo transfer**



**Step 3**  
Intramolecular C-H insertion

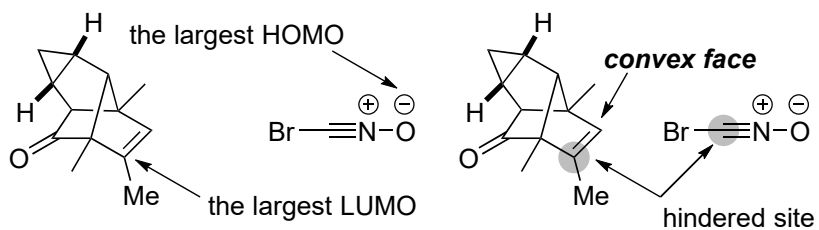


**Step 4,5,6**  
Negishi coupling, cycloaddition of nitrile oxide



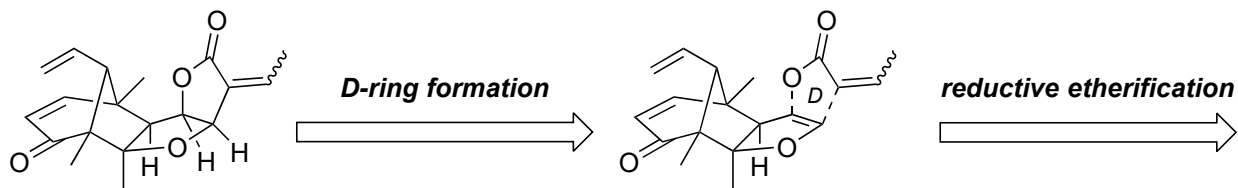
**Discussion**

Regio and stereoselectivity of 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition



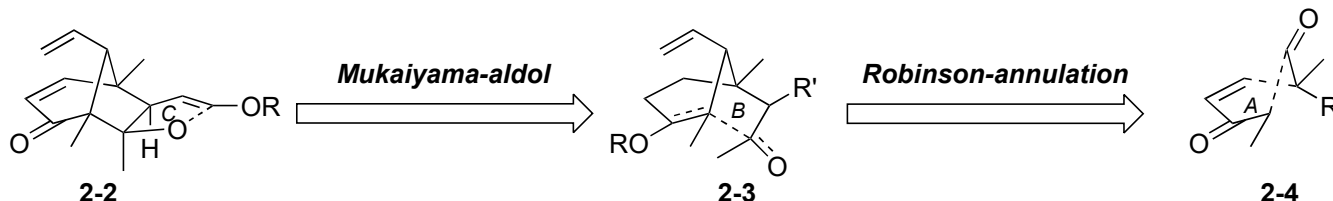
**Problem 2**  
**Total syntheses of pallambins C and D (Baran's group)**

**Retrosynthetic analysis**



9-(*Z*): pallambin C  
 9-(*E*): pallambin D

2-1

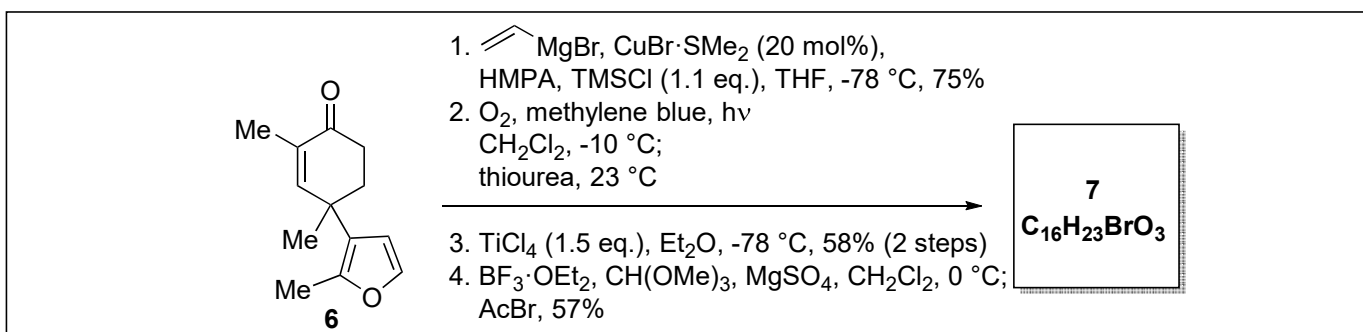


2-2

2-3

2-4

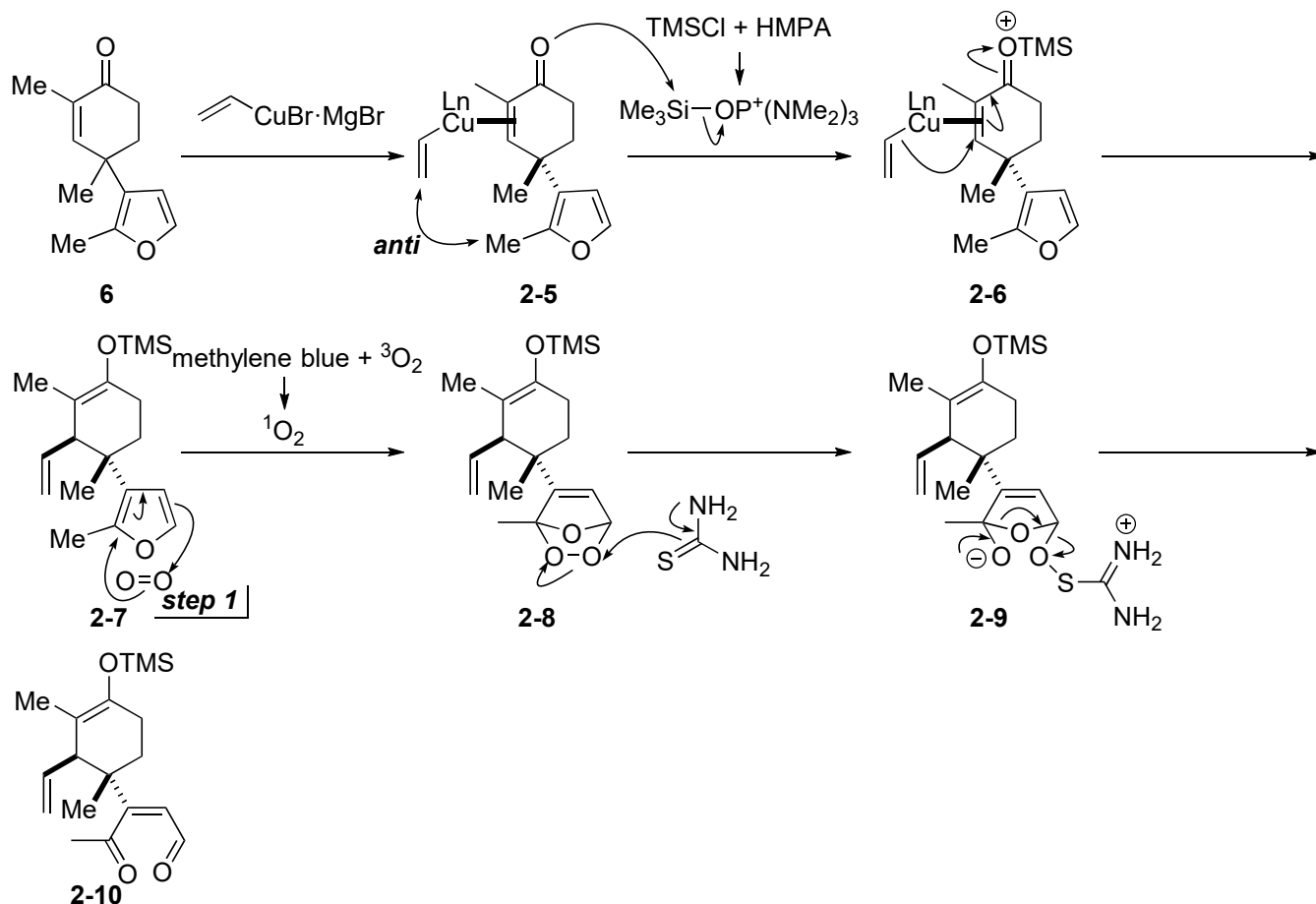
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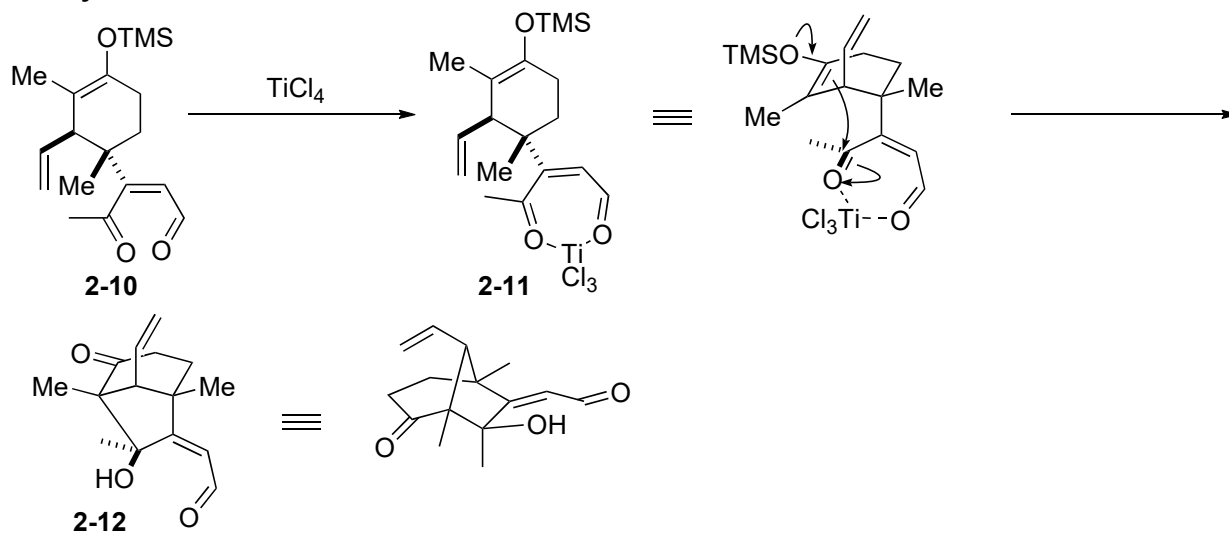
**Step 1,2**

**1,4-addition**

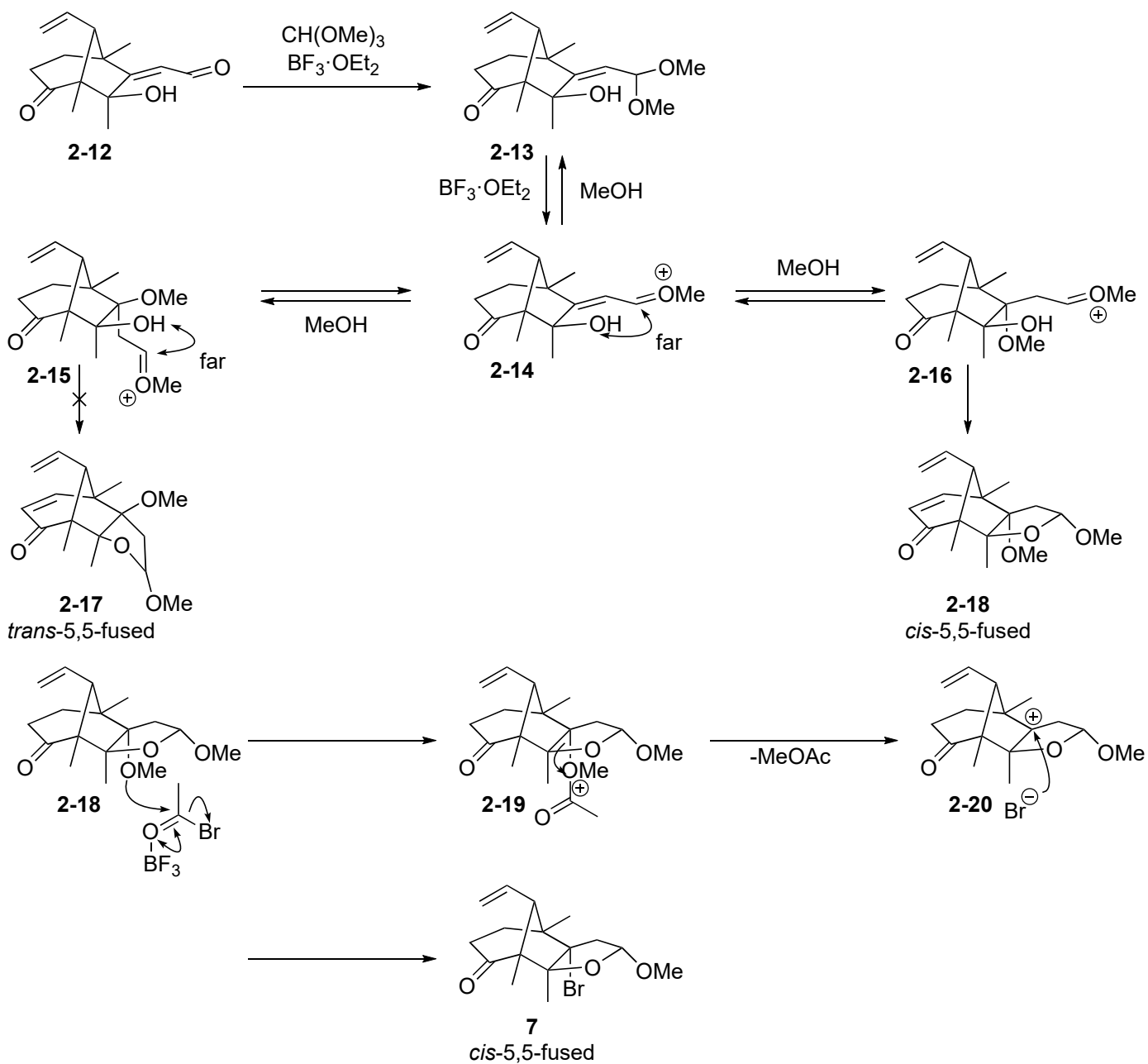
**Oxidative cleavage of furan**



**Step 3**  
Mukaiyama-aldol



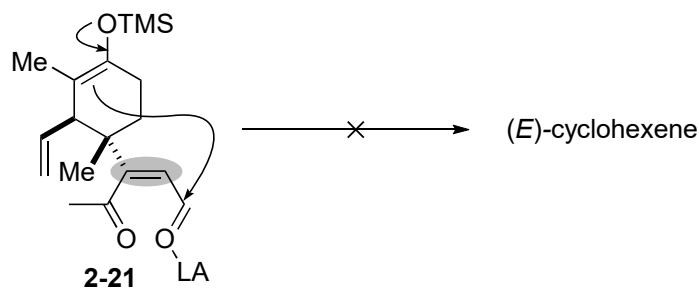
**Step 4**  
Ether ring formation (**another possible mechanism -> p.14 appendix**)



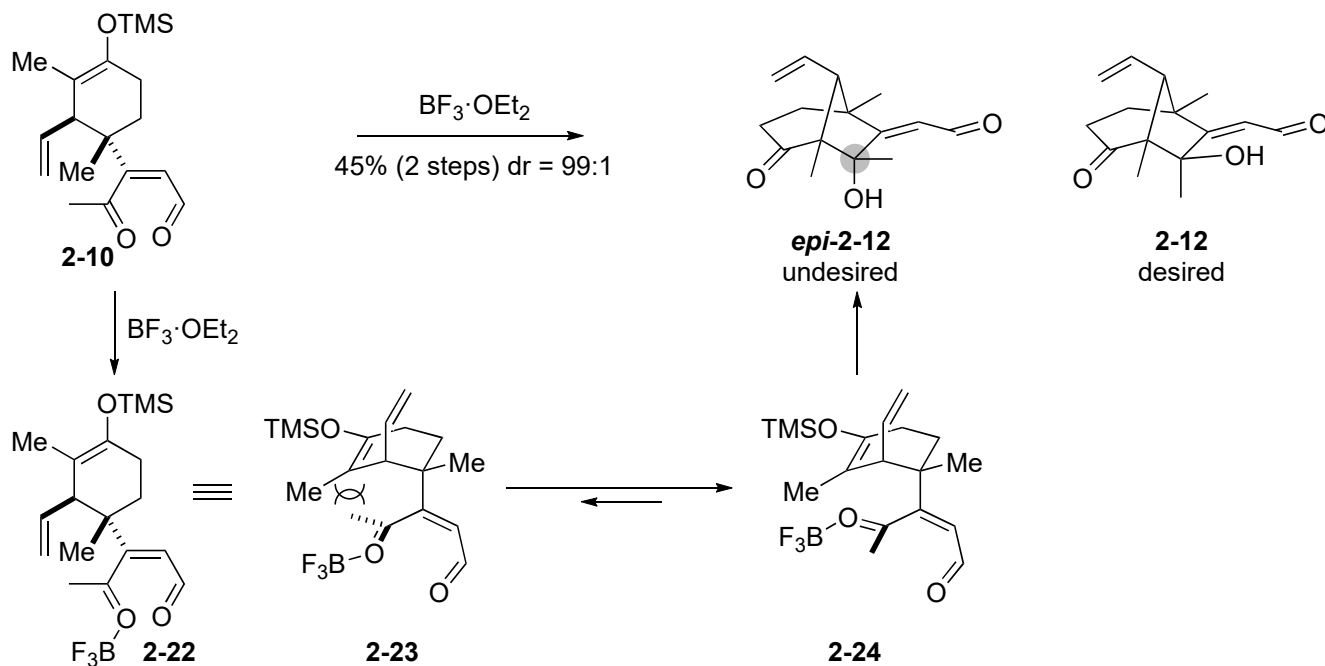


## Discussion

### Regioselectivity of Mukaiyama-aldol

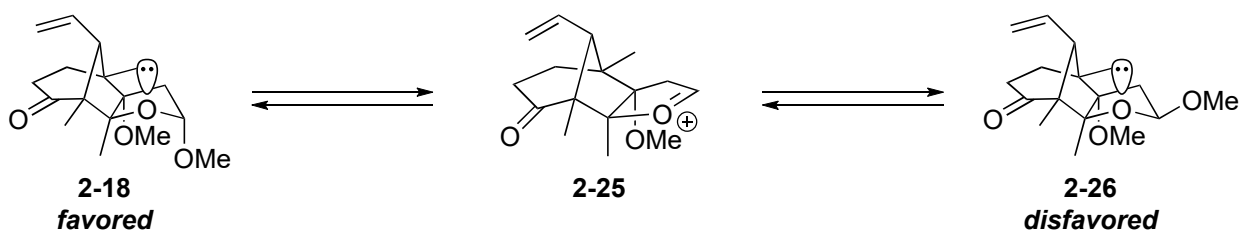


### Stereoselectivity of Mukaiyama-aldol



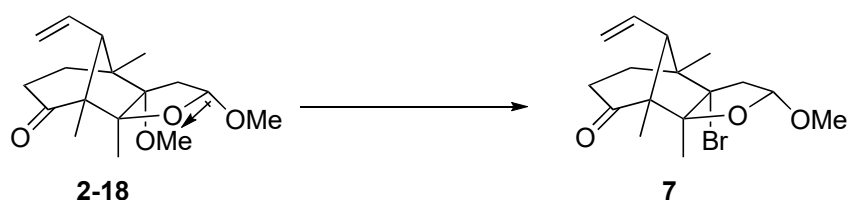
Using non-chelating Lewis acid, selectivity is reverse. Chelation is important to obtain desired product.

### Stereoselectivity of methyl acetal

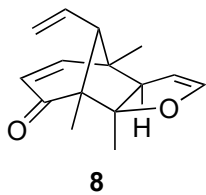


Considering anomeric effect, 2-18 is thermodynamically stable product.

### Chemoselectivity of bromination

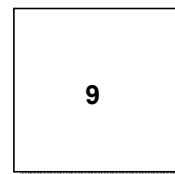


Methyl acetal is less nucleophilic because of inductive effect.

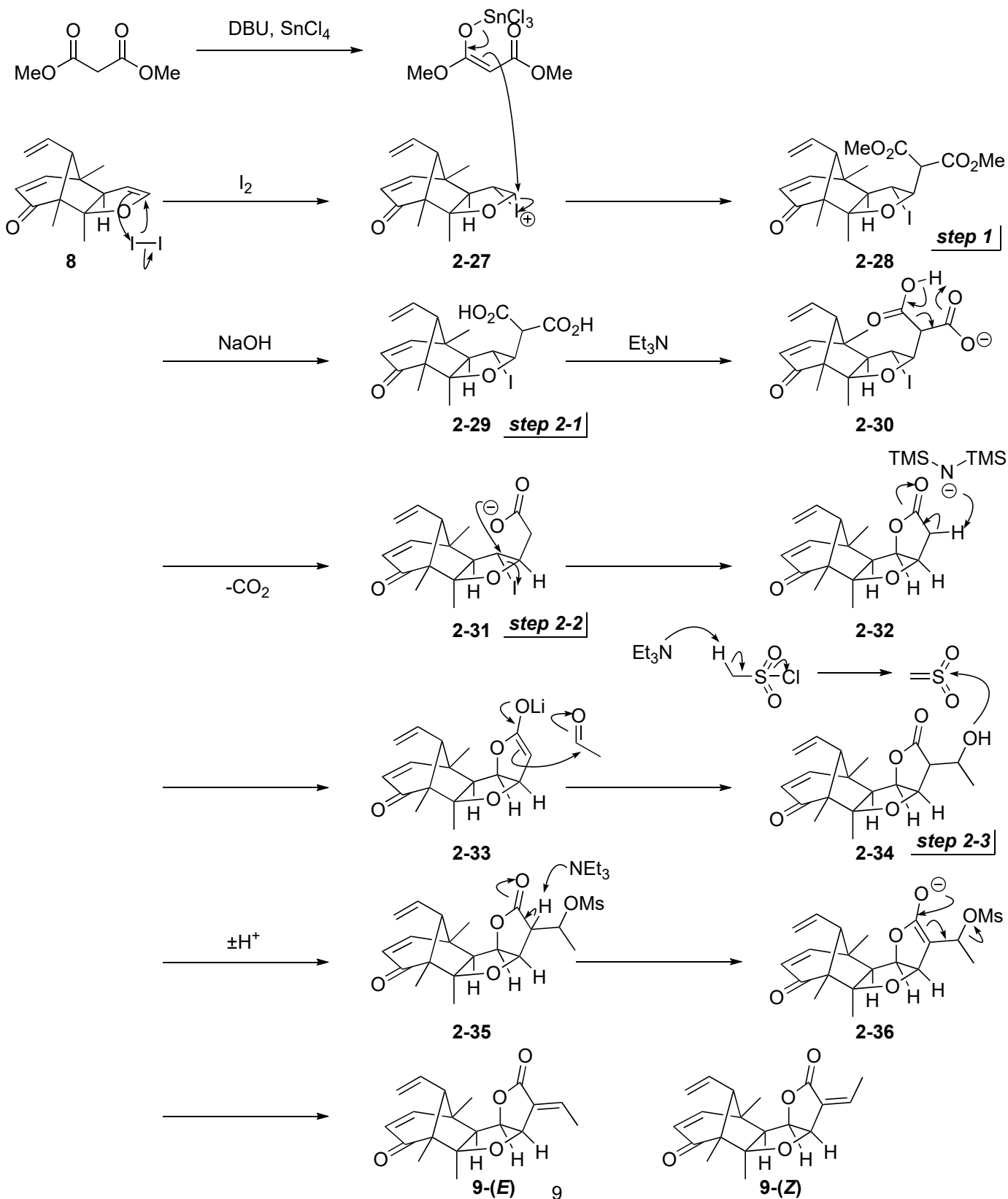


1. MeO<sub>2</sub>C-CH=CH-CO<sub>2</sub>Me (5.0 eq.)  
 SnCl<sub>4</sub> (5.0 eq.), DBU (5.0 eq.);  
 I<sub>2</sub> (1.0 eq.), **8**, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 23 °C, >87%

2. 2 M NaOH aq., MeOH, 23 °C;  
 Et<sub>3</sub>N, MeCN, 60 °C;  
 LiN(TMS)<sub>2</sub>, MeCHO, THF, -78 °C;  
 Et<sub>3</sub>N, MsCl, DMAP (cat.)  
 CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 23 °C, 94% (*E*:*Z* = 2:1)

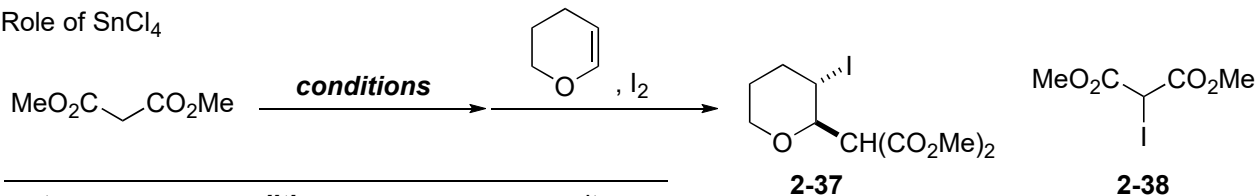


**9-(*Z*): pallambin C**  
**9-(*E*): pallambin D**



## Discussion

### Role of SnCl<sub>4</sub>

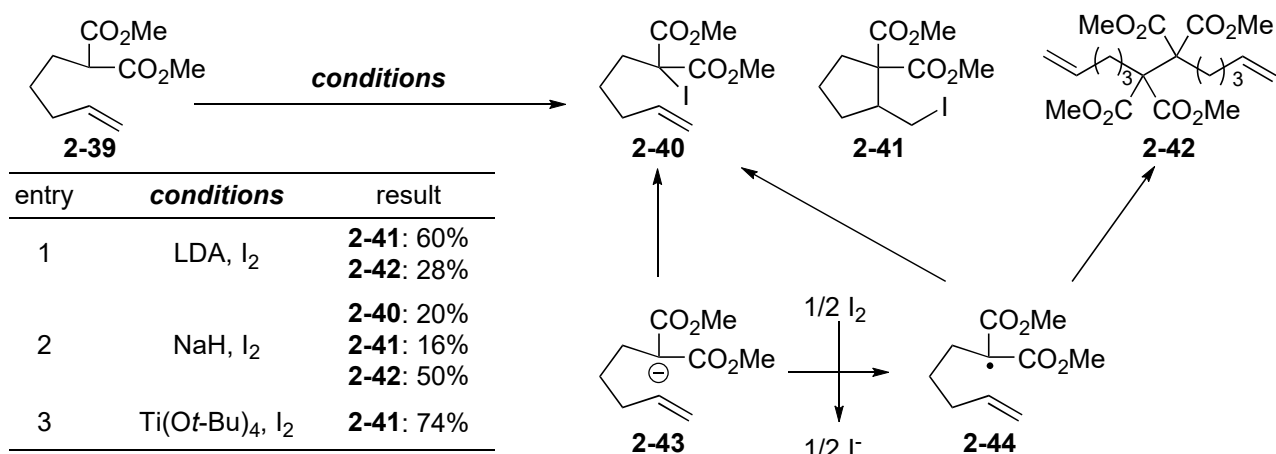


entry	conditions	result
1	NaH, THF, rt	<b>2-37</b> : 0% <b>2-38</b> : quant.
2	SnCl <sub>4</sub> , DBU, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> , rt	<b>2-37</b> : 92%

Sn enolate is essential in this reaction.

Some examples of intramolecular reaction

Effect of cation (Curran, D. P. et al. *JOC*, **1989**, 54, 3140; Taguchi, T. et al. *TL*, **1992**, 33, 2167.)

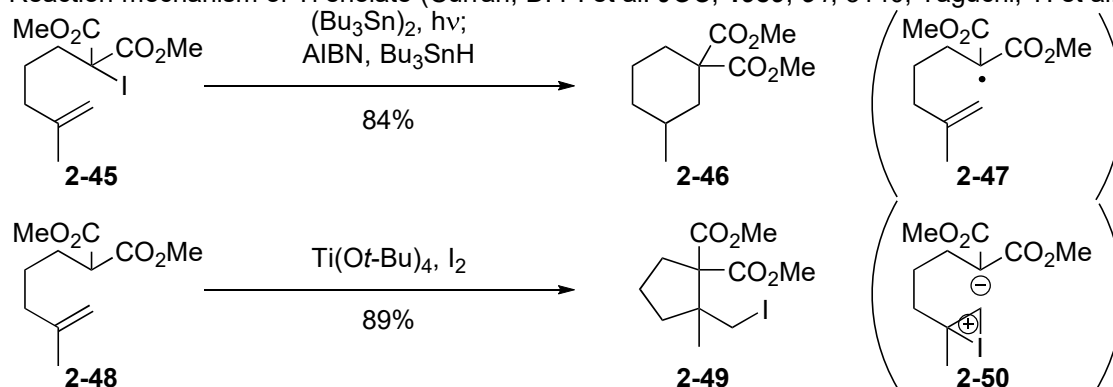


Li and Na enolate are easily oxidized with I<sub>2</sub> than Ti enolate.

Sn enolate probably exhibits the same reactivity that of Ti enolate.

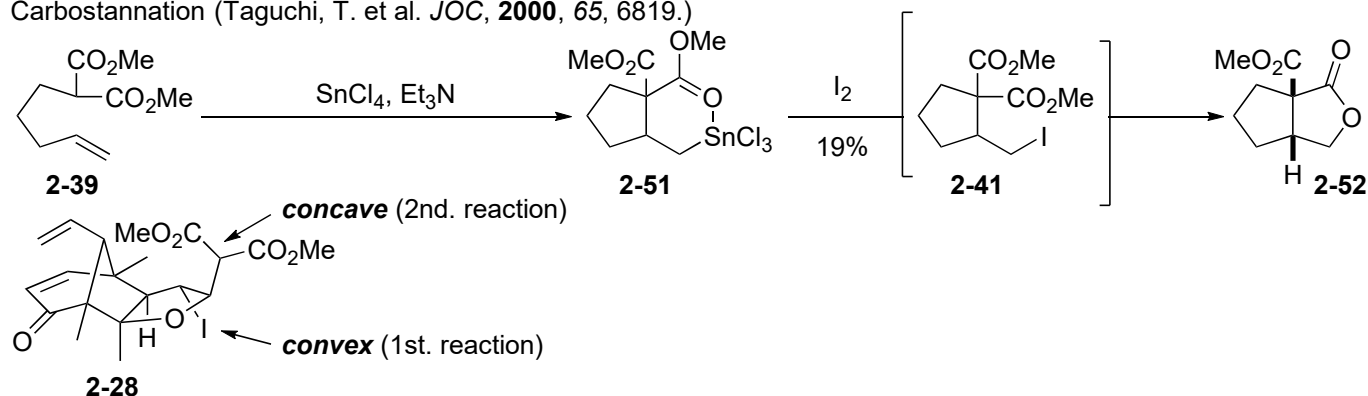
HOMO level of Ti and Sn enolates are lower than that of Li and Na enolates, and oxidation of Ti and Sn enolates are slower than that of Li and Na enolates. Covalency of O-M bond reflects HOMO level of enolate.

Reaction mechanism of Ti enolate (Curran, D. P. et al. *JOC*, **1989**, 54, 3140; Taguchi, T. et al. *TL*, **1992**, 33, 2167.)



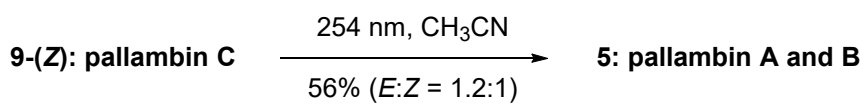
Radical cyclization mechanism may be excluded.

Carbostannylation (Taguchi, T. et al. *JOC*, **2000**, 65, 6819.)

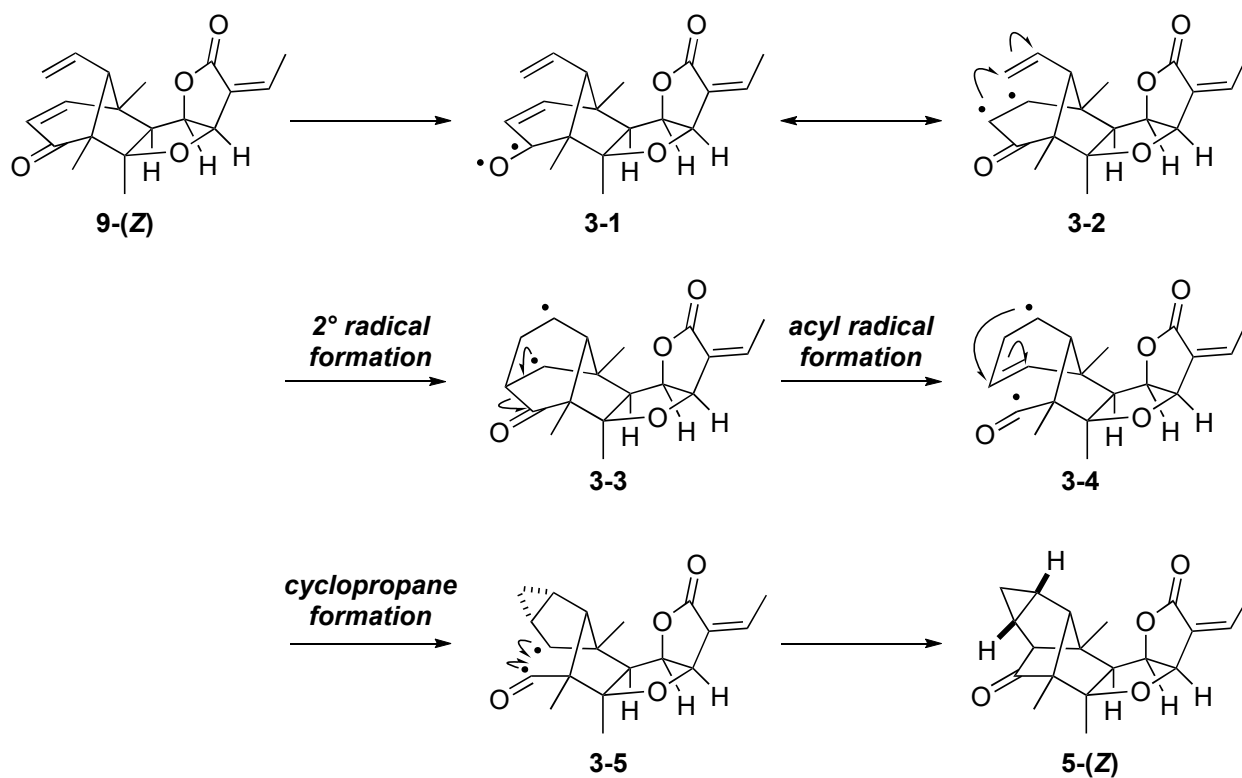


Carbostannylation mechanism is not consistent with the stereochemistry of **2-28**.

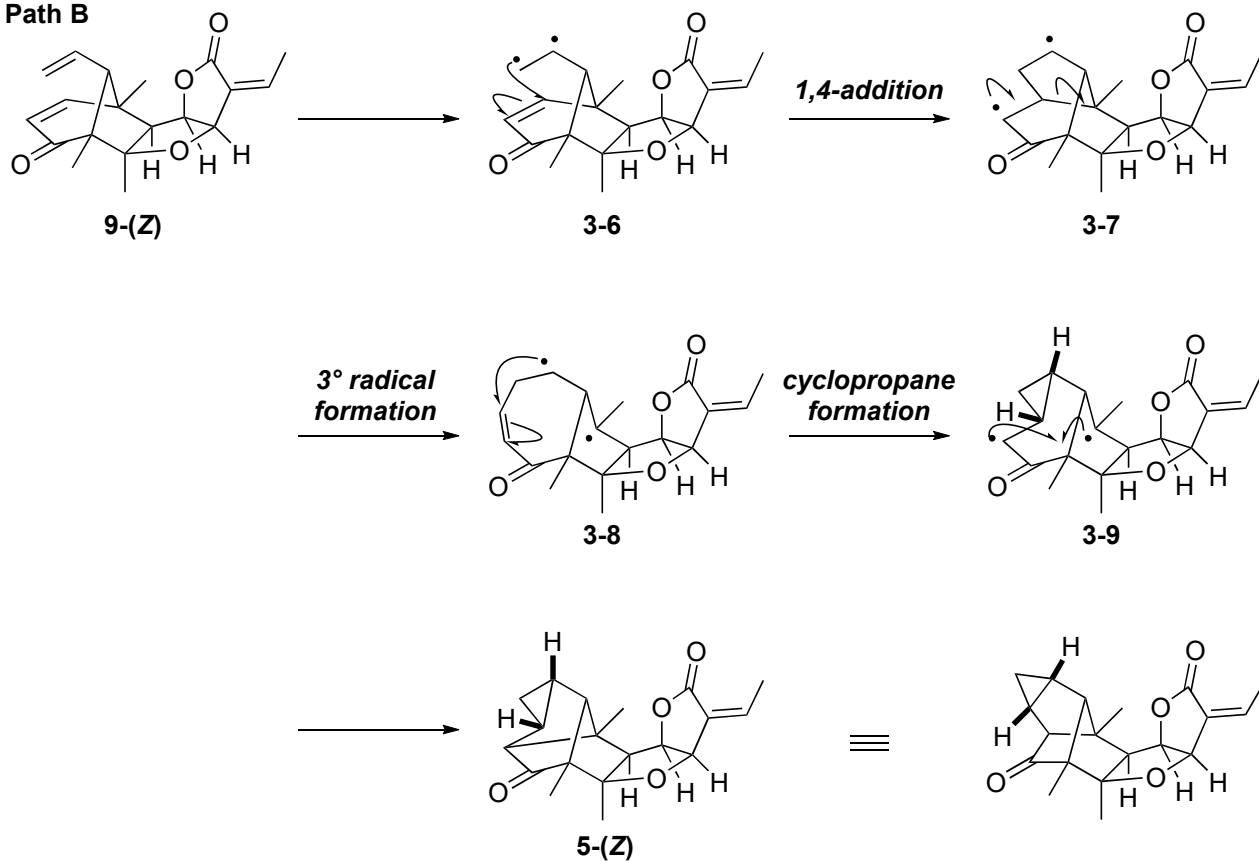
**Problem 3**  
**Photoinduced rearrangement**



**Path A**

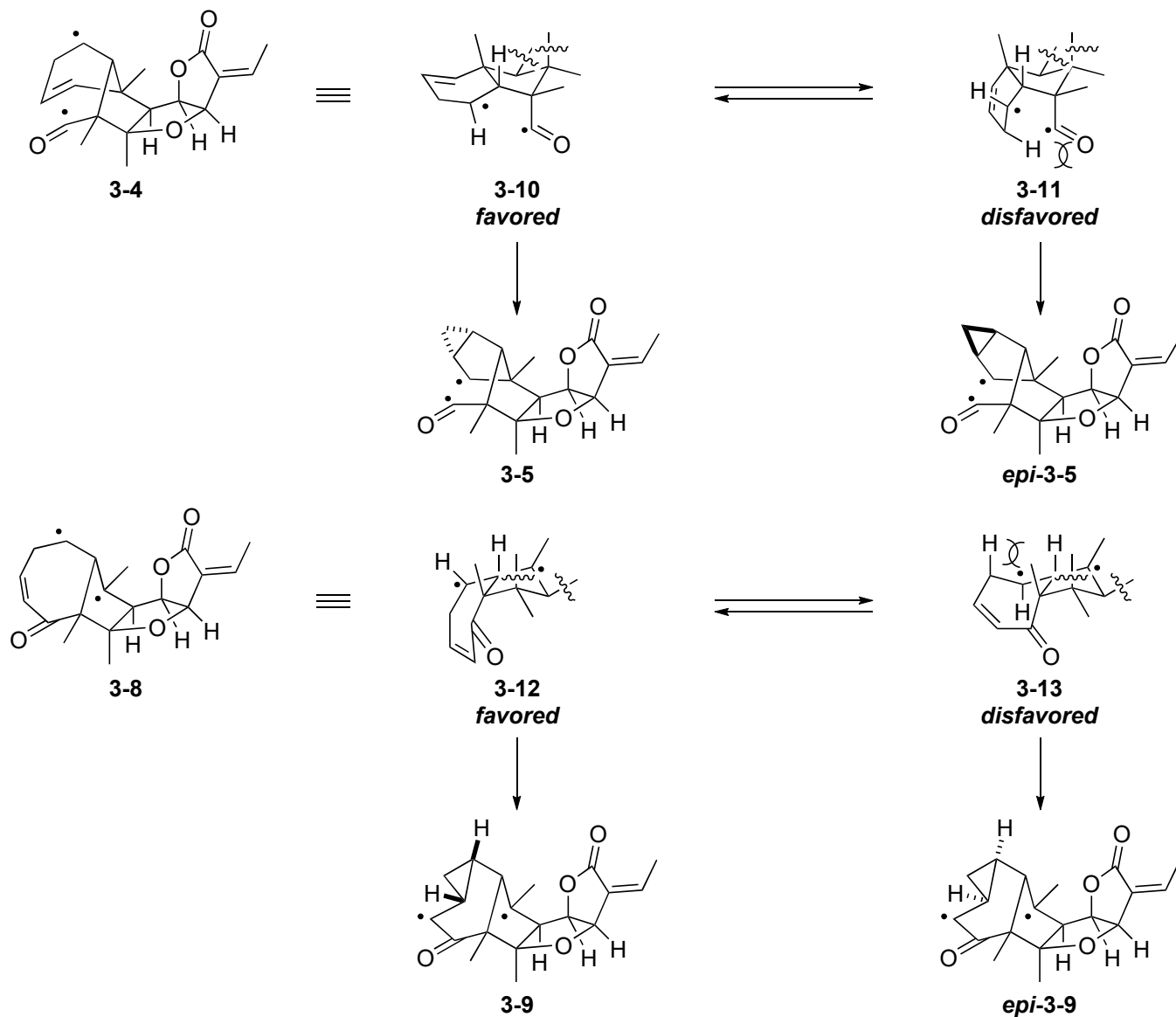


**Path B**

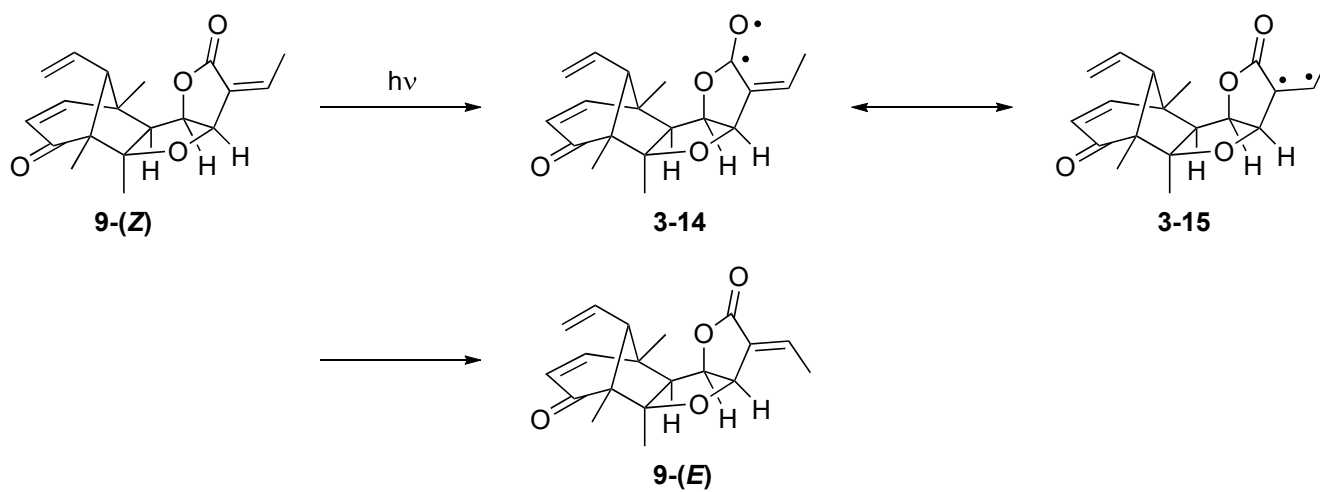


## Discussion

### Stereochemistry of cyclopropane

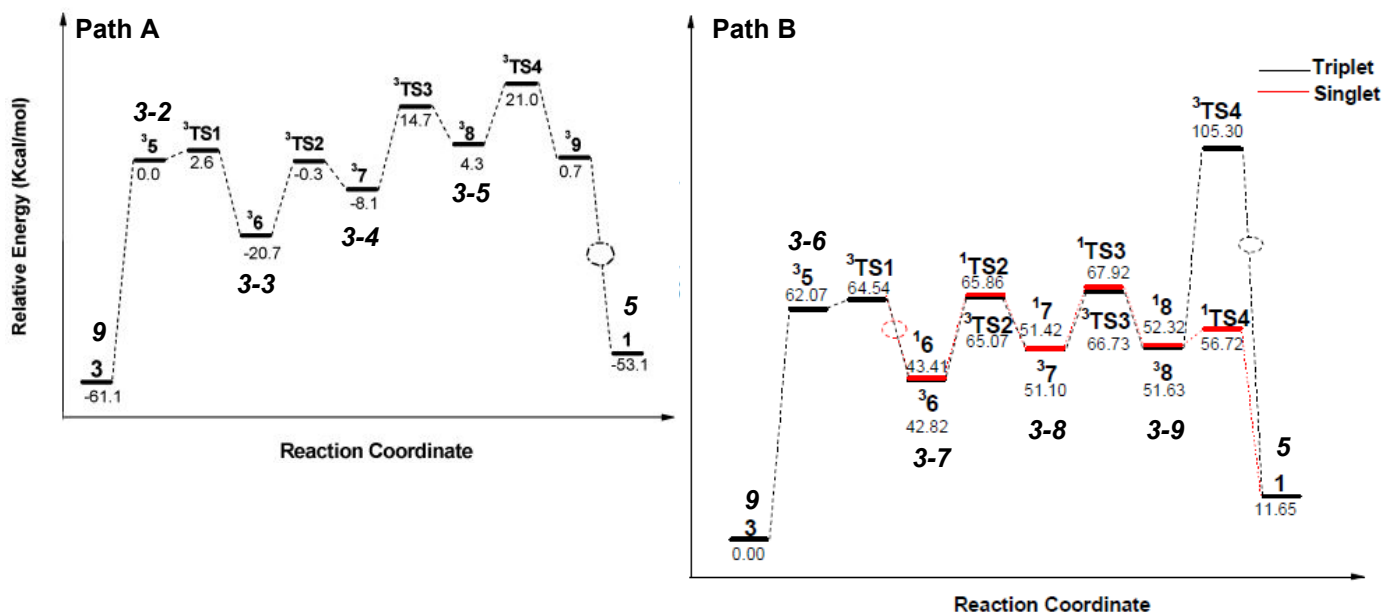


### Isomerization of olefin



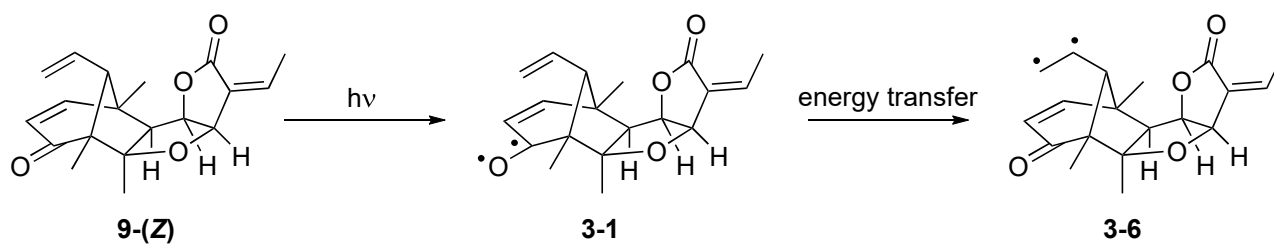
Isomerization of **5** is also occurred via the same mechanism.

**Experimental data**  
Computational study



TS2 (Path A) is more stable than TS2 (Path B) (20.4 vs 22.5 kcal/mol), suggesting that Path A is slightly favorable than Path B.

In Path A transformation from 3-4 to 3-5 is less favored than to 3-3.



$\lambda_{\text{max}}$  of ethylene is 165 nm.

Direct excitation from 9 to 3-6 is difficult under this condition ( $\lambda_{\text{excitation}} = 254 \text{ nm}$ ).

Intramolecular energy transfer from 3-1 to 3-6 is one of the possibility.

Appendix: bromination (Problem 2)

