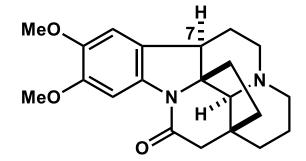
## **Total Syntheses of Isoschizogamine**

Isoschizogamine



previously reported structure (thought as a stereoisomer of schizozygane alkaloids)

#### Isolation (from Schizozygia caffaeoides)

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#### **Total Synthesis**

- H. Heathcock et al., Org. Lett., 1, 1315 (1999) (±)
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- J. Zhou et al., J. Org. Chem., 72, 3808 (2007)

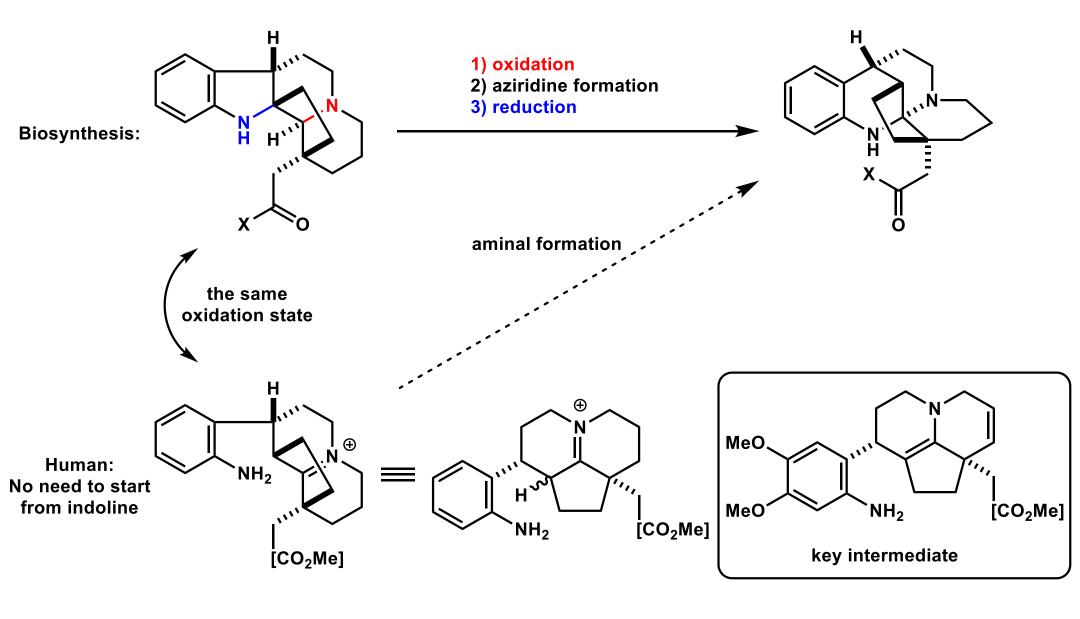
#### **Today's topics**

- 1. Biosynthesis
- 2. Biomimetic syntheses
  - 2.1 Heathcock
  - 2.2 Zhu (main paper)
  - 2.3 Qin
  - 2.4 Fukuyama
- 3. De novo synthesis
- 3.1 Tokuyama (<u>main paper</u>)
- 4. Summary

## 1. Biosynthesis of Schizozygane Skeleton

# Biosynthesis of Isoschizozygane Skeleton

## 2.1 Heathcock's Approach



#### **Retrosynthesis of Key Intermediate**

# **Synthesis of Right Unit**

KHMDS (1.1 eq)
THF, rt;

$$n$$
-Bu Bu  $n$ -Bu

THF
 $-78 \, ^{\circ}$ C;

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#### **Lactam Formation**

# **Synthesis of Key Intermediate**

## **Aminal Formation (Undesired Isomer)**

# **Isomerization to Thermodynamic Product**

### 2.2 Zhu's Approach (Main Paper)

## **Syntheses of Two Units**

90%, 83% ee

\* Addition of N<sub>3</sub> radical is proposed. see: *JOC*, <u>56</u>, 6809 (1991)

# **The Key Cascade Reaction 1/2**

The only isolable product

## The Key Cascade Reaction 2/2

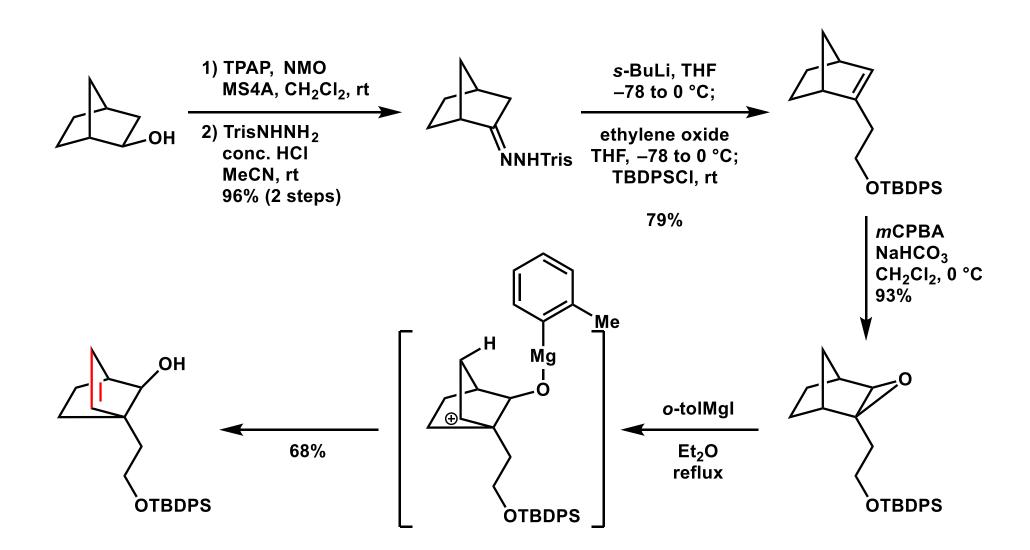
## 2.3 Qin's Approach

# 2.4 Fukuyama's Approach

<sup>\*</sup> Good for masking two functional groups Cyclic systems are especially useful for stereoselective synthesis.

### **Retrosynthesis of Lactone**

### Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement



#### **Crucial Tandem Metathesis Reaction**

## **Ring-Closing Metathesis**

Heathcock's intermediate

# 3.1 Tokuyama's Approach (Main Paper)

#### "Kill a lot of birds with one stone."

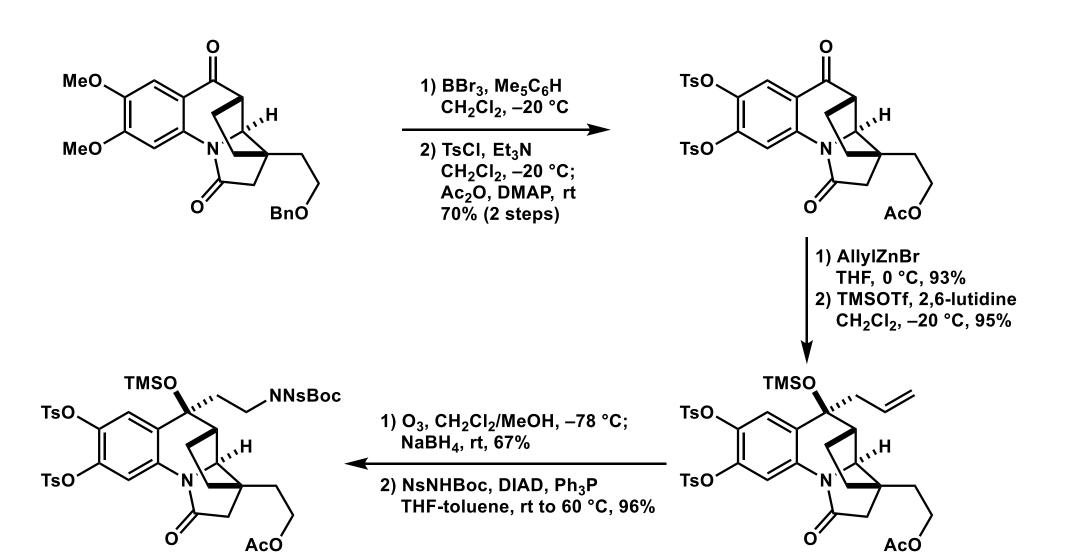
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{MeO} \\ \text{MeO} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{N}$$

## **Synthesis of Mannich Reaction Precursor**

#### "Mannich Reaction"

Only this isomer proceeds lactam formation.

#### **Introduction of Amine**



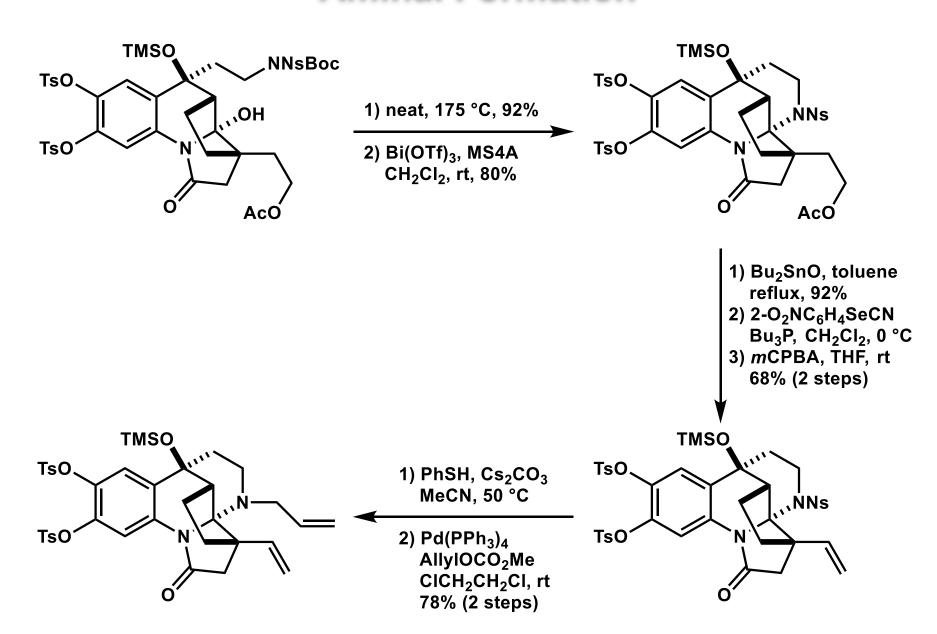
#### **Crucial C-H Oxidation Reaction**

$$O = Cr - O$$

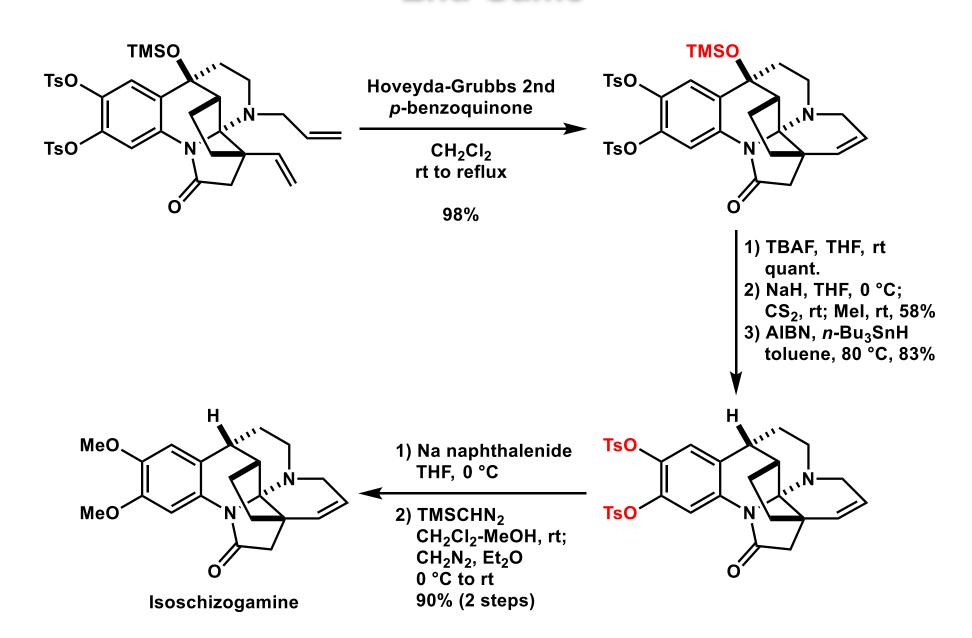
$$O =$$

S.-M. Lee and P. L. Fuchs, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **124**, 13978 (2002)

#### **Aminal Formation**



#### **End Game**



# 4. Summary 1/2

Fukuyama: "Unique disconnection" -> Lengthy, but chemically interesting

Qin: "Opposite of Heathcock's disconnection"
-> Asymmetric construction of all carbon

 Asymmetric construction of all carbon quatenery center was avoided. Zhu: "no FGI retrosynthesis"
-> Challenging, but short synthesis

# 4. Summary 2/2

Isoschizogamine

Tokuyama: "De novo synthesis"
-> Challenging and lengthy, but original synthesis

year	author	yield (total steps)	chiral source
1999	Heathcock	7.2% (8 steps)	<u>-</u>
2012	Fukuyama	2.8% (24 steps)	(+)-exo-norborneol
2015	Qin	1.4% (21 steps)	(R)-t-butyl sulfinamide
2015	Tokuyama	0.18% (24 steps)	Noyori reduction
2015	Zhu	8.2% (9 steps)	catalytic decarboxylative allylation (low ee)