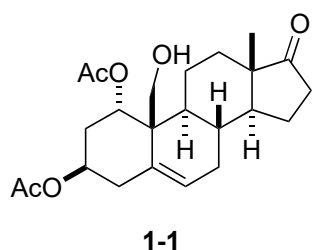


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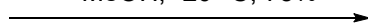
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Please provide each reaction mechanism.

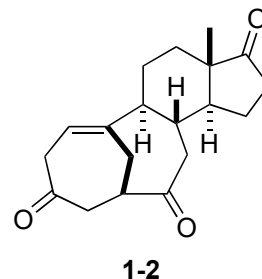
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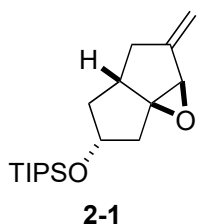
1. MsCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N  
CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -10 °C, 97%
2. KOAc, H<sub>2</sub>O  
acetone, reflux, 82%
3. NaOH (1 eq.)  
MeOH, -20 °C, 75%



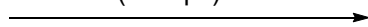
4. DMP, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>
5. basic Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, THF  
83% (2 steps)
6. Sml<sub>2</sub> (2.1 eq.), THF;  
H<sub>2</sub>O, 43%



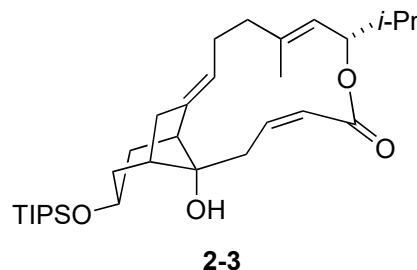
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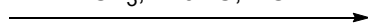
1. HG-II (5 mol%), **2-2**  
CHCl<sub>3</sub>, reflux, E/Z = 5/1
2. AllylMgBr, THF, 0 °C  
47% (2 steps)



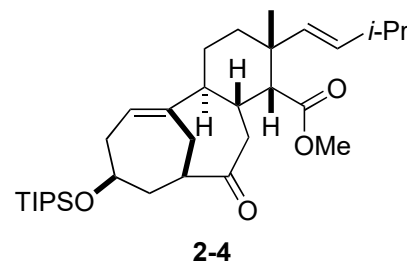
3. acrylic acid, **reagent A**  
Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 70%
4. HG-II (10 mol%)  
CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, reflux, 70%



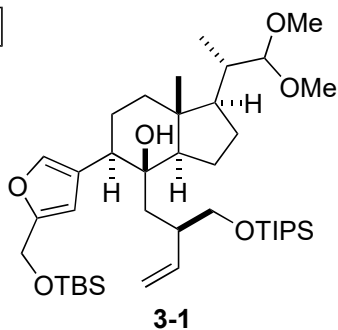
5. Me<sub>2</sub>PhSiCl, DBU  
PhCF<sub>3</sub>, 140 °C; HCl



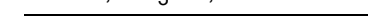
6. TMSCHN<sub>2</sub>, MeOH/Et<sub>2</sub>O  
64% (2 steps)



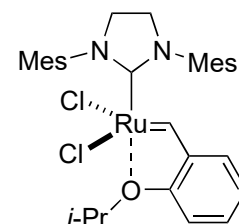
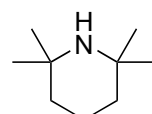
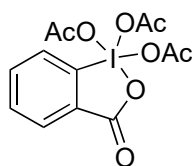
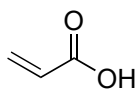
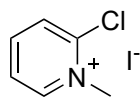
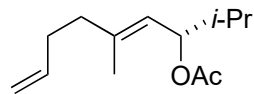
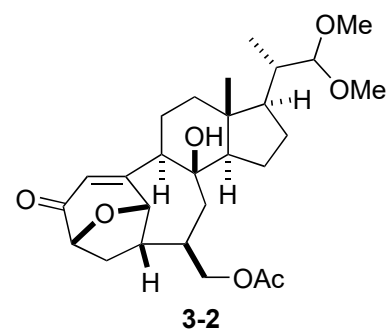
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1. TBAF, THF;  
NBS, NaOAc, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O
2. Ac<sub>2</sub>O, TMP, DMAP, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>
3. TMP, CH<sub>3</sub>CN, 155 °C



68% (3 steps)



(Hoveyda-Grubbs 2<sup>nd</sup> catalyst)

## Problem Session (4) -Answer-

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### Topic: Synthetic Studies of Cyclocitrinol

#### 0. Introduction

##### 0-1. Isolation

Isolated as a fungal metabolite from terrestrial *P. citrinum*

Kozlovsky, A. G.; Zhelifonova, V. P.; Ozerskaya, S. M.; Vinokurova, N. G.; Adanin, V. M.; Gräf, U. *Pharmazie* **2000**, 55, 470.

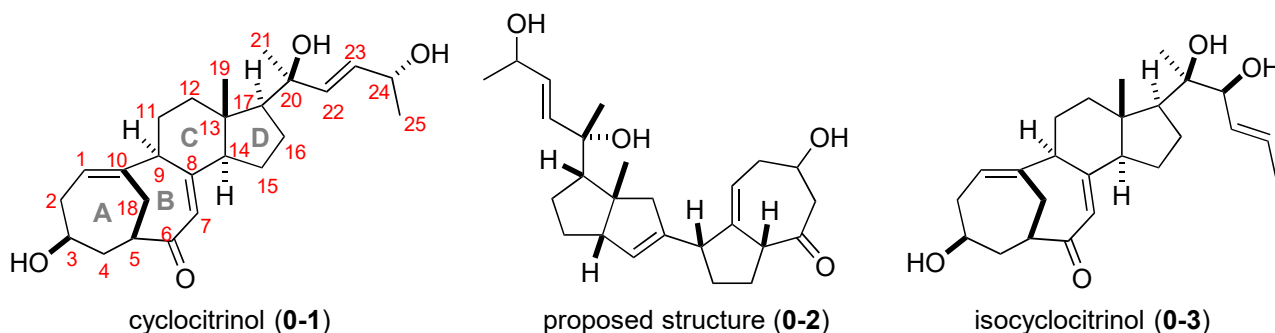
##### 0-2. Structural feature

Original proposed structure was assigned as **0-2**, which was revised by X-ray crystallographic analysis of **0-3**.

Amagata, T.; Amagata, A.; Tenney, K.; Valeriote, F. A.; Lobkovski, E.; Clardy, J.; Crews, P. *Org. Lett.* **2003**, 5, 4393.

An unusual C<sub>25</sub> steroid:

- Bicyclo[4.4.1] A/B ring system
- Bridgehead (anti-Bredt) double bond
- 8 stereocenters including 2 quaternary carbons



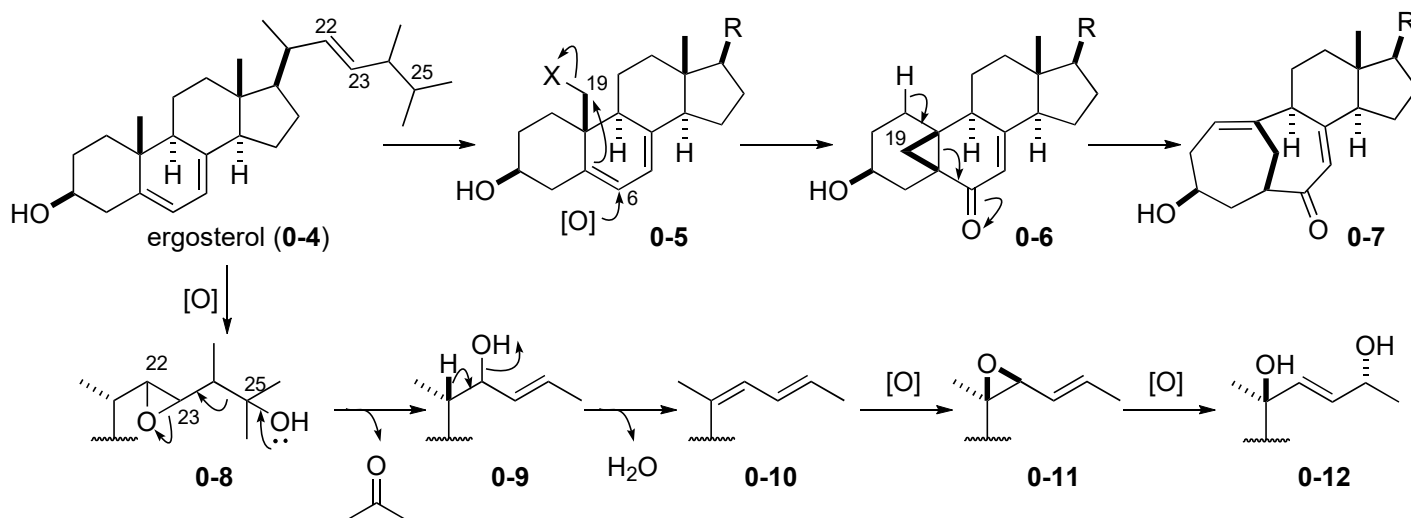
##### 0-3. Biological activity

Cyclocitrinol: induce the production of c-AMP in GPR12-transfected CHO cells

Du, L.; Zhu, T.; Fang, Y.; Gu, Q.; Zhu, W.-J. *Nat. Prod.* **2008**, 71, 1343.

##### 0-4. Proposed biosynthesis pathway

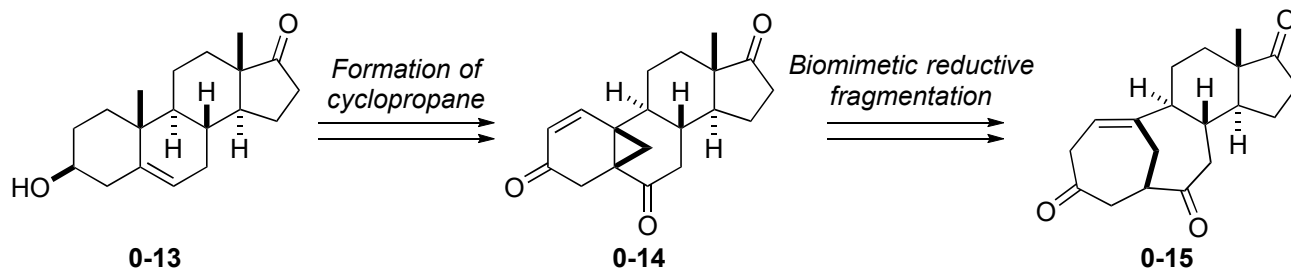
Marinho, A. M. d. R.; Rodrigues-Filho, E.; Ferreira, A. G.; Santos, L. S. *J. Braz. Chem. Soc.* **2005**, 16, 1342.



#### 0-4. Synthetic study and Total synthesis

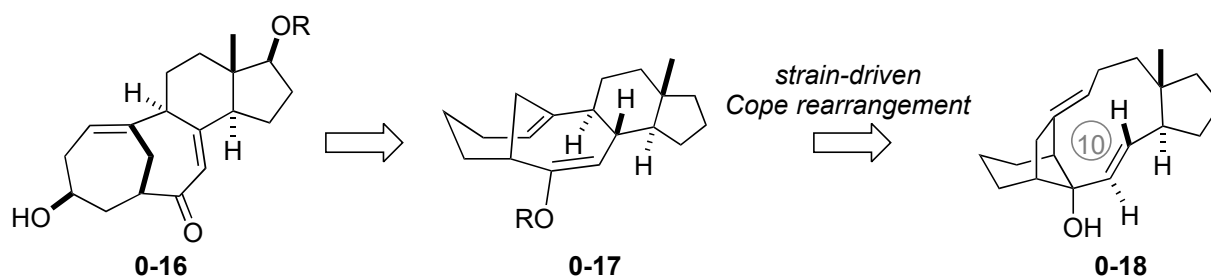
> Three different approaches to construct the unique bicyclo[4.4.1]undecane A/B ring system are reported.

##### 0-4-1. Synthetic study by Schmalz's group (Problem 1)



El Sherikh, S.; Meier zu Greffen, A.; Lex, J.; Meudörfel, J.-M.; Schmalz, H.-G. *Synlett* **2007**, 2007, 1881.

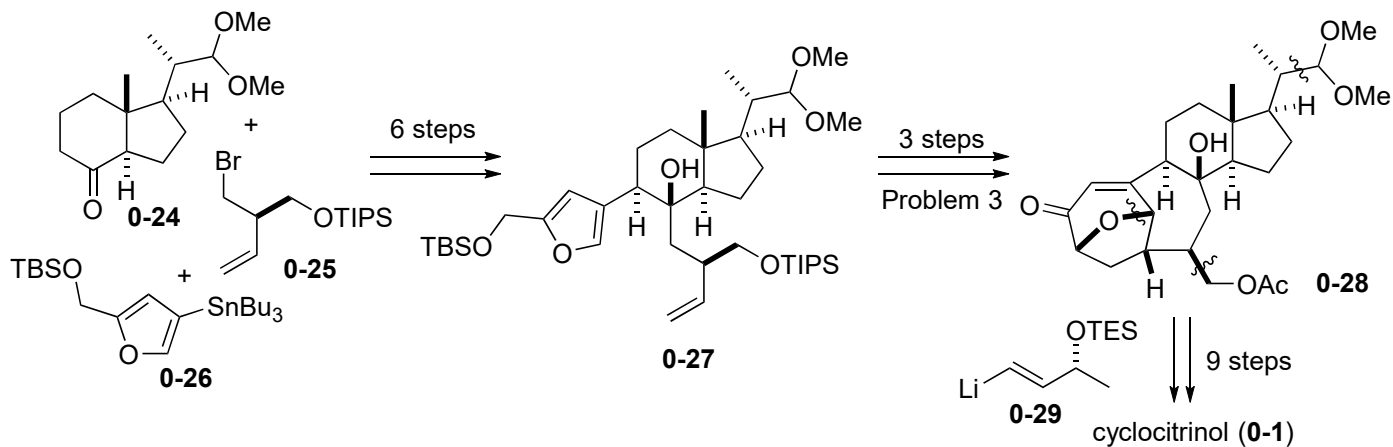
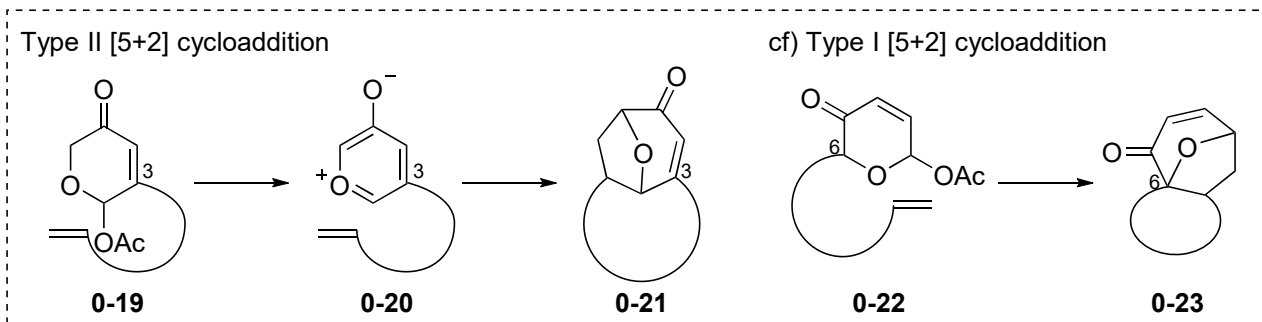
##### 0-4-2. Synthetic study by Leighton's group



Key: How to access strained 10-membered ring? ( $\rightarrow$  Problem 2)

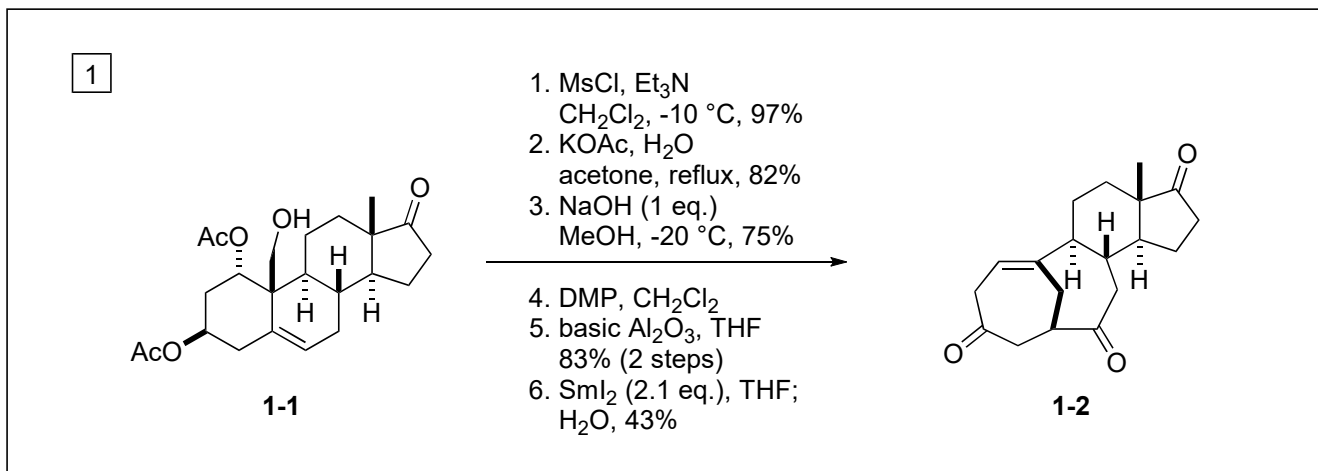
Plummer, C. W.; Wei, C. S.; Yozwiak, C. E.; Soheili, A.; Smithback, S. O.; Leighton, J. L. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2014**, 136, 9878.

##### 0-4-3. Asymmetric total synthesis by Li's group



Li, C.-C. et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* DOI: 10.1021/jacs.8b02629

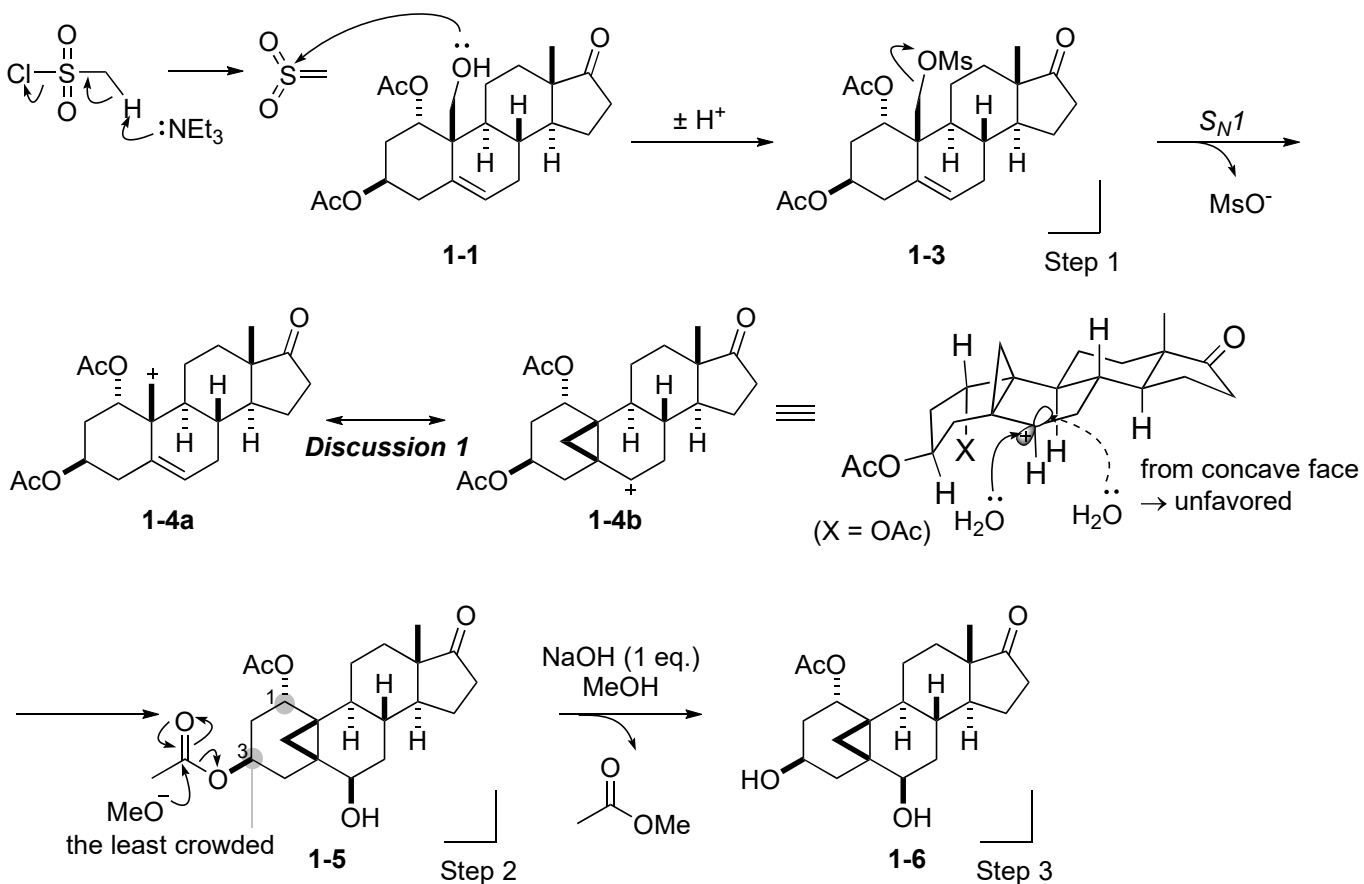
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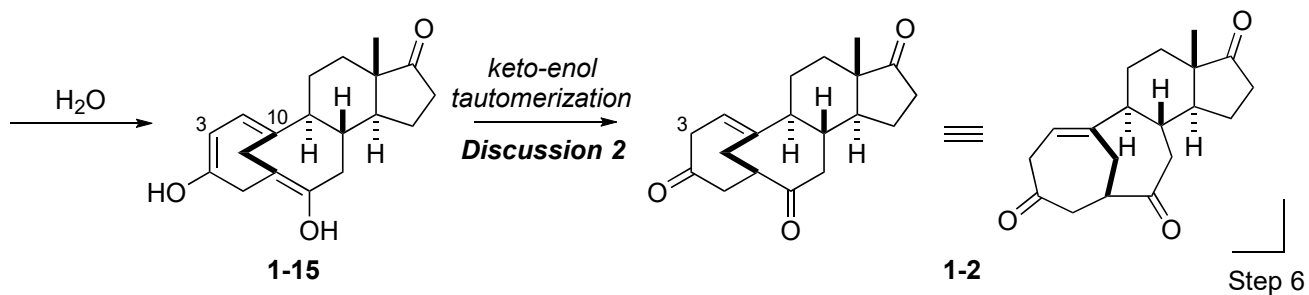
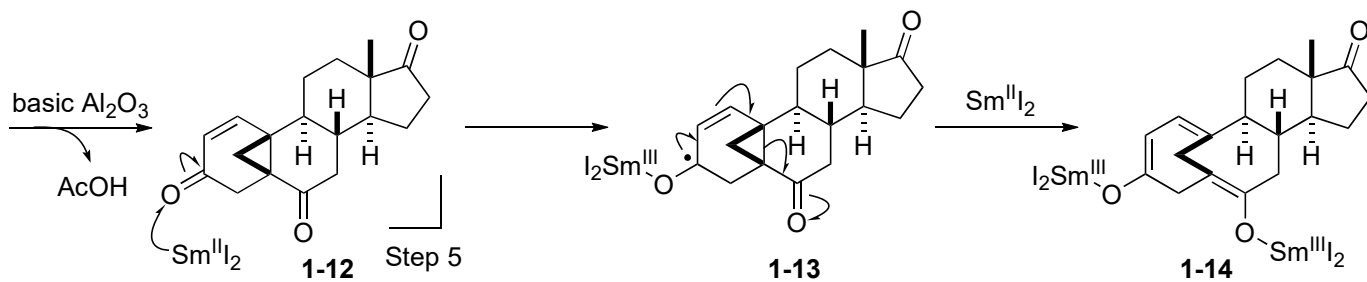
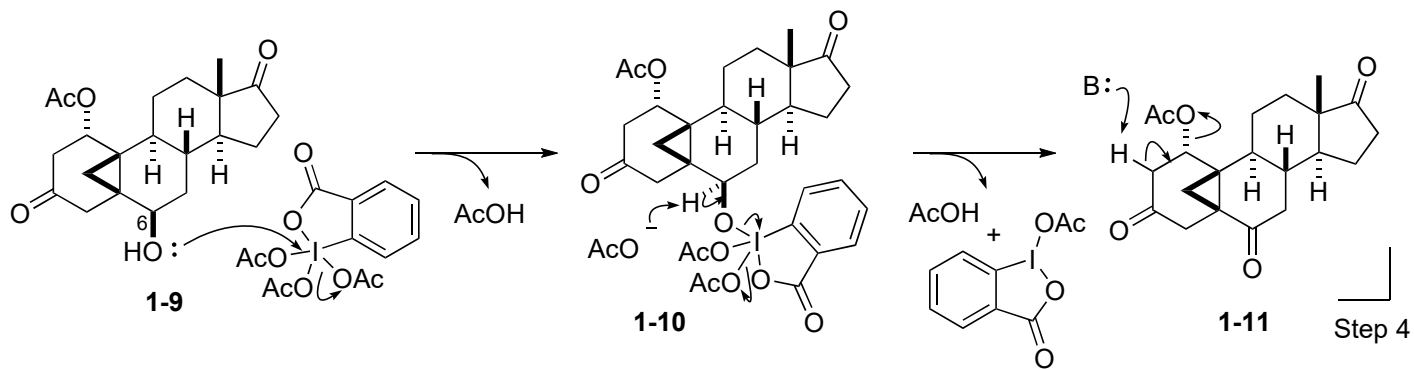
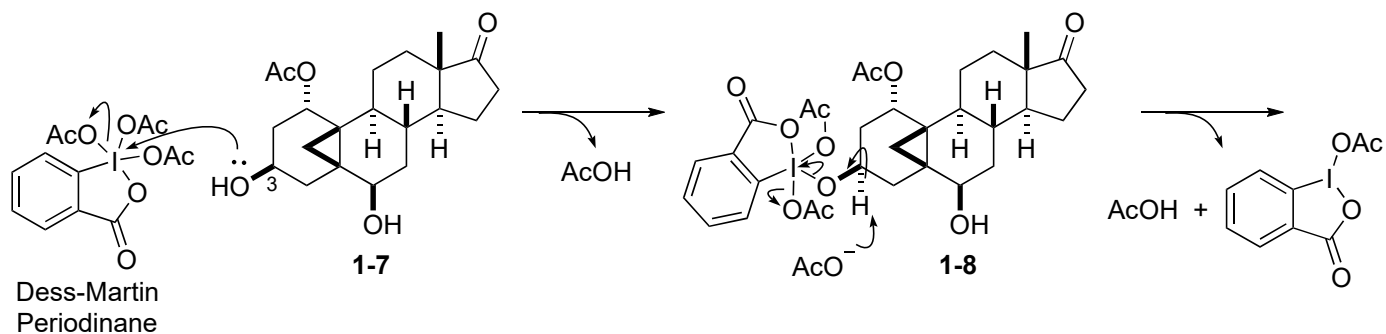
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- The first construction of the core structure of cyclocitrinols.
- Key reaction: Sml<sub>2</sub>-mediated fragmentation of cyclopropane.

Step 1-3. Formation of cyclopropane via homoallylic rearrangement.

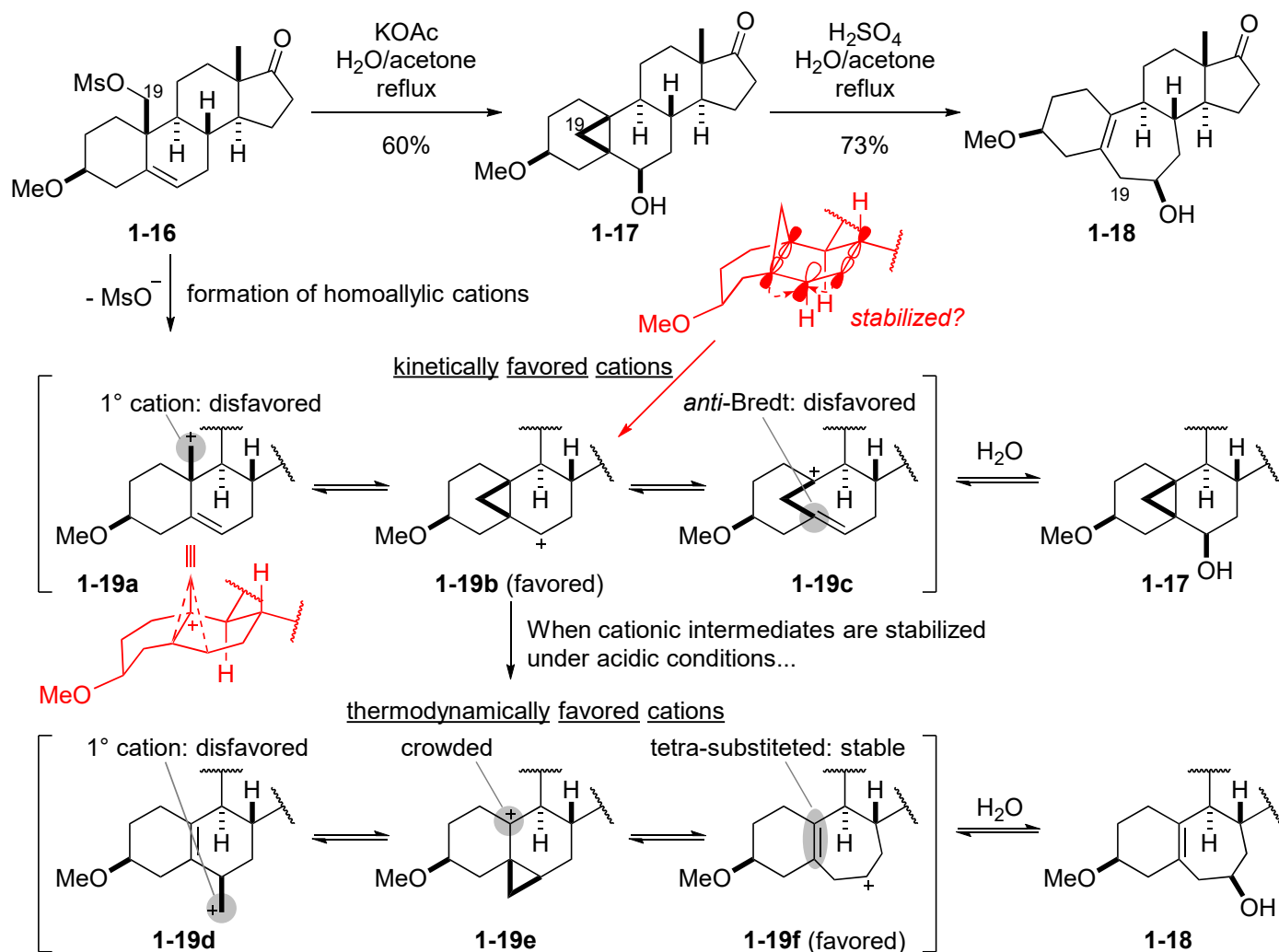


Step 4-6.  $\text{SmI}_2$ -mediated fragmentation of cyclopropane.



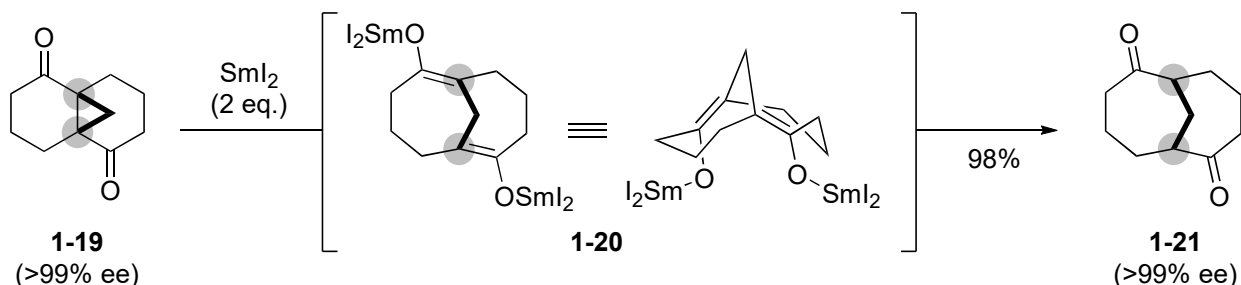
> Protonation occurs at C3 which is closer to oxygen atom and has higher electron density than C10.

**Discussion 1: Homoallylic rearrangement of 19-substituted steroids.**



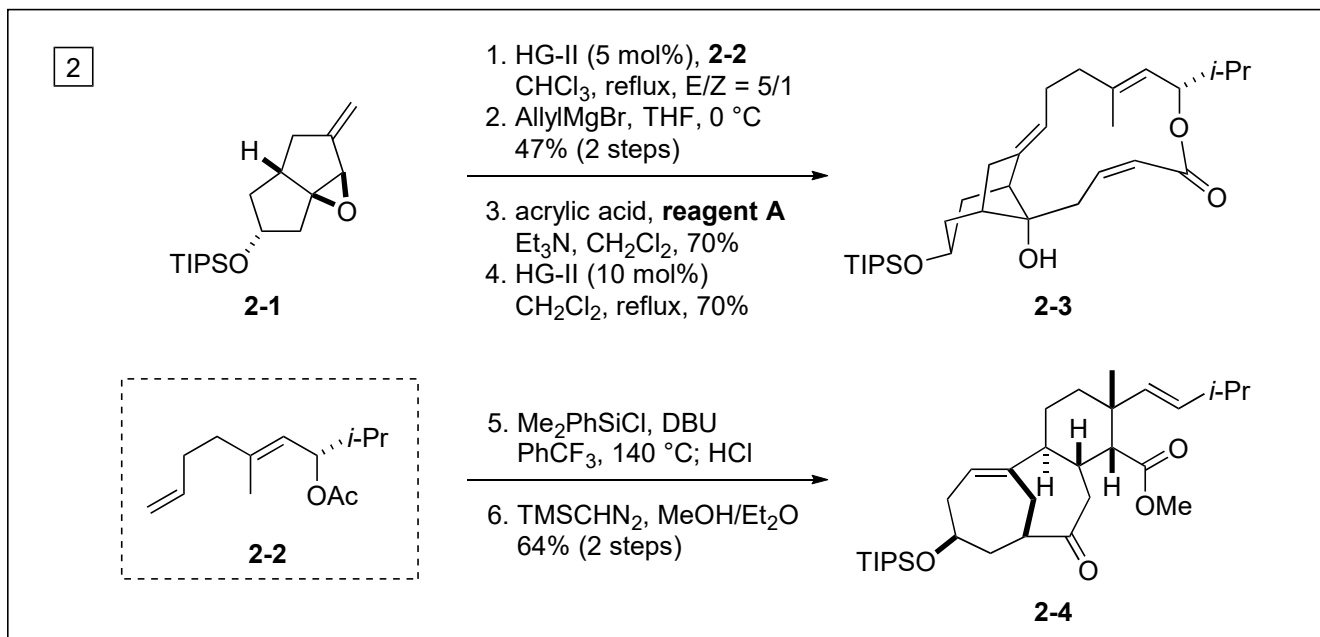
Details for the rearrangement, see: Tadanier, J. *J. Org. Chem.* **1966**, 31, 2124.

**Discussion 2: Retention of stereocenters during the fragmentation.**



- > Chirality centers should be disappeared during the fragmentation.
- > Due to the existence of bridgehead double bonds, **1-20** has inherent non-planar nature and can memorize the absolute stereochemical information.

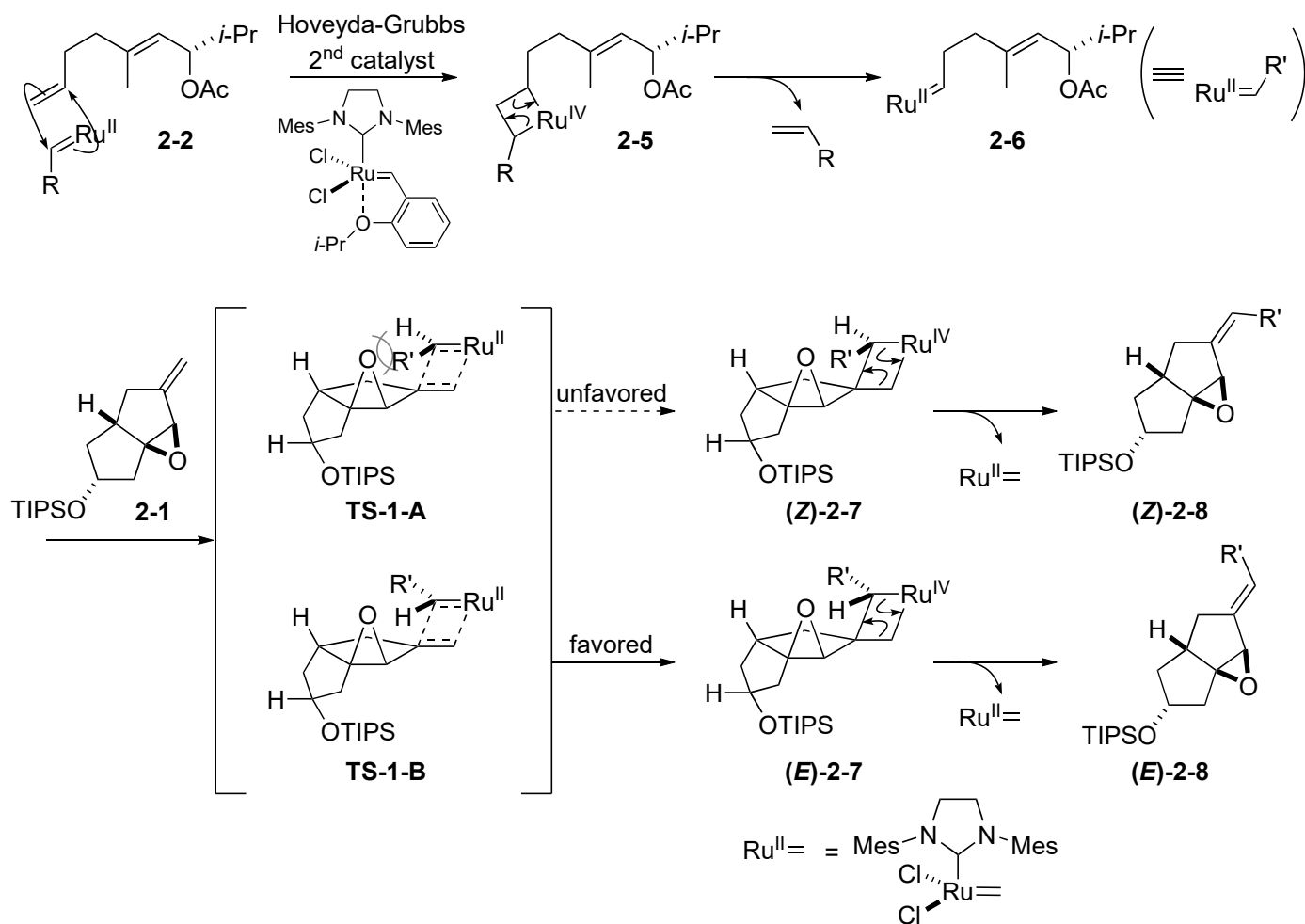
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- **Key reactions: Two tandem reactions; cross-metathesis/semipinacol rearrangement and Ireland claisen/cope rearrangement.**

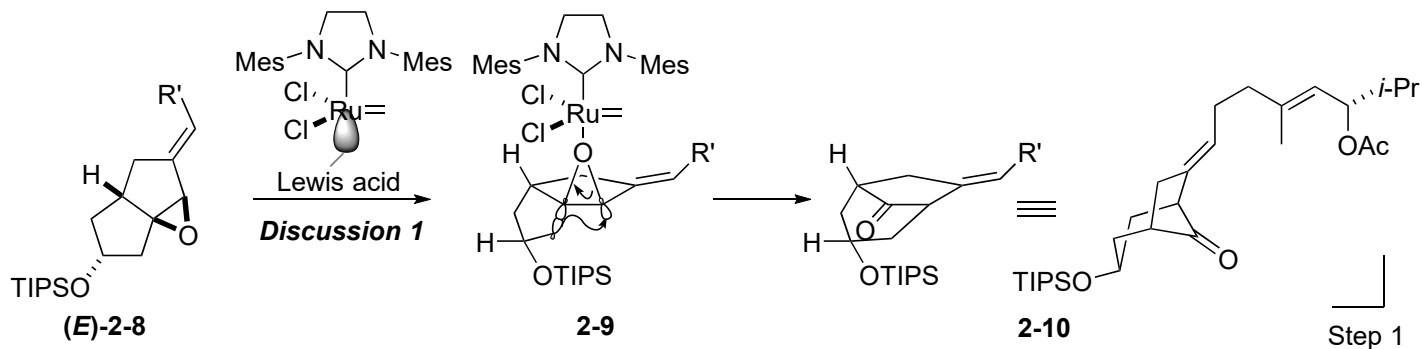
Step 1. Tandem cross-metathesis/semipinacol rearrangement.



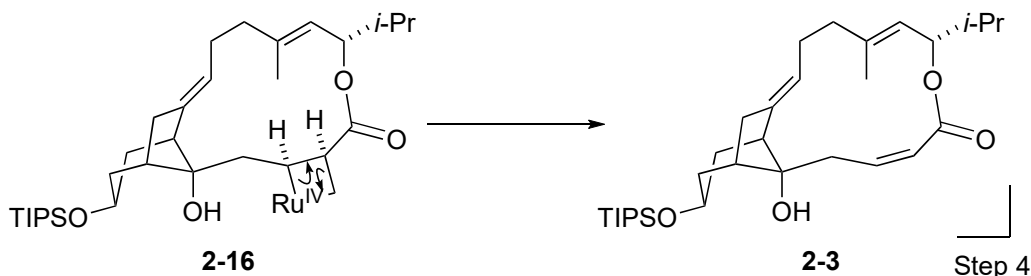
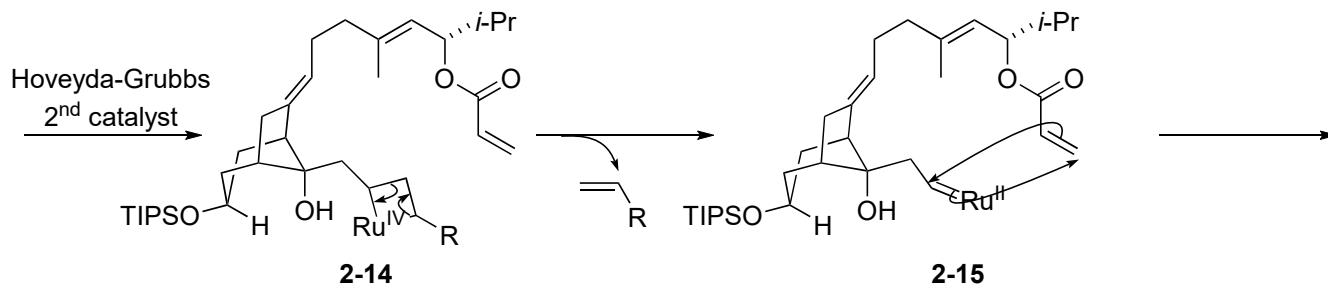
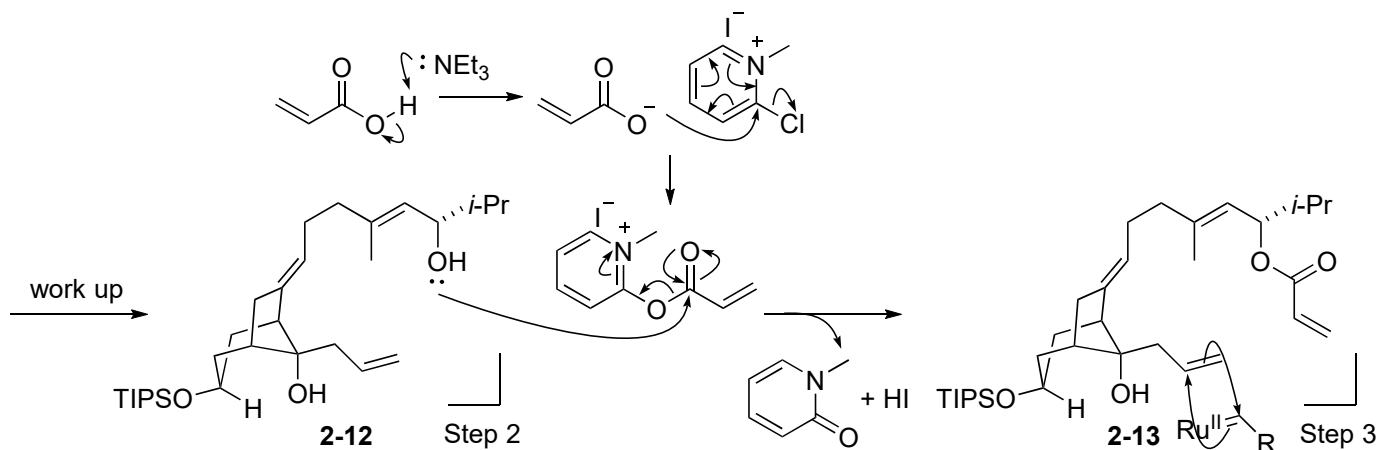
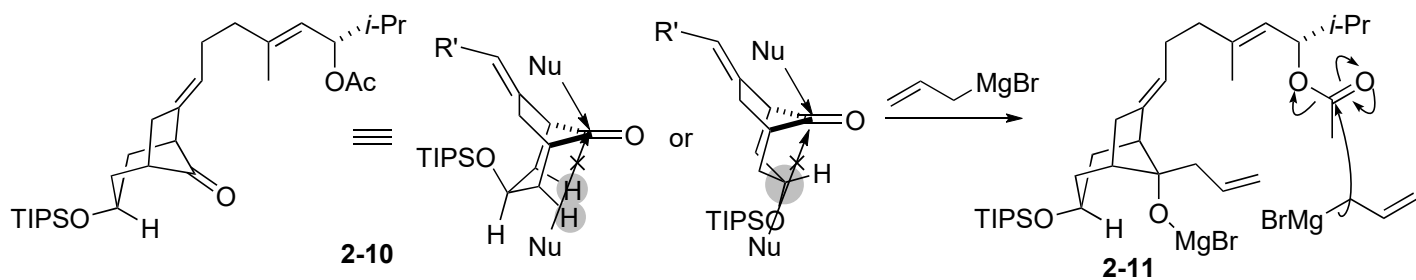
\* Low concentration during cross-metathesis. - 6 -

Step 1. Tandem cross-metathesis/semipinacol rearrangement. (continued)

\* After cross-metathesis, Ru-methylidene exist near epoxide and immediately react with it.

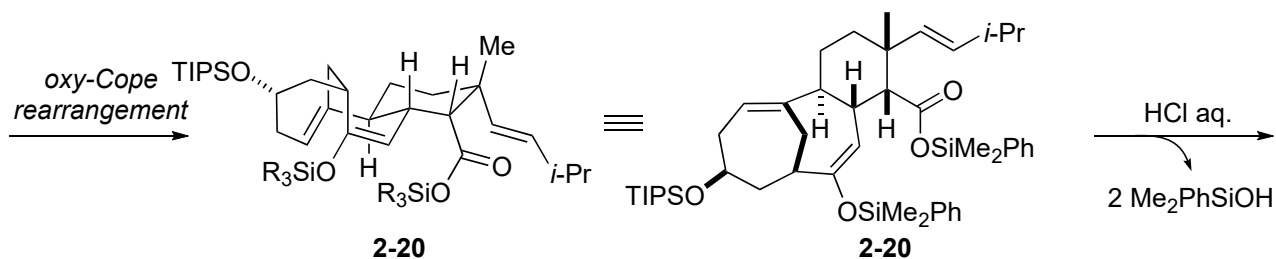
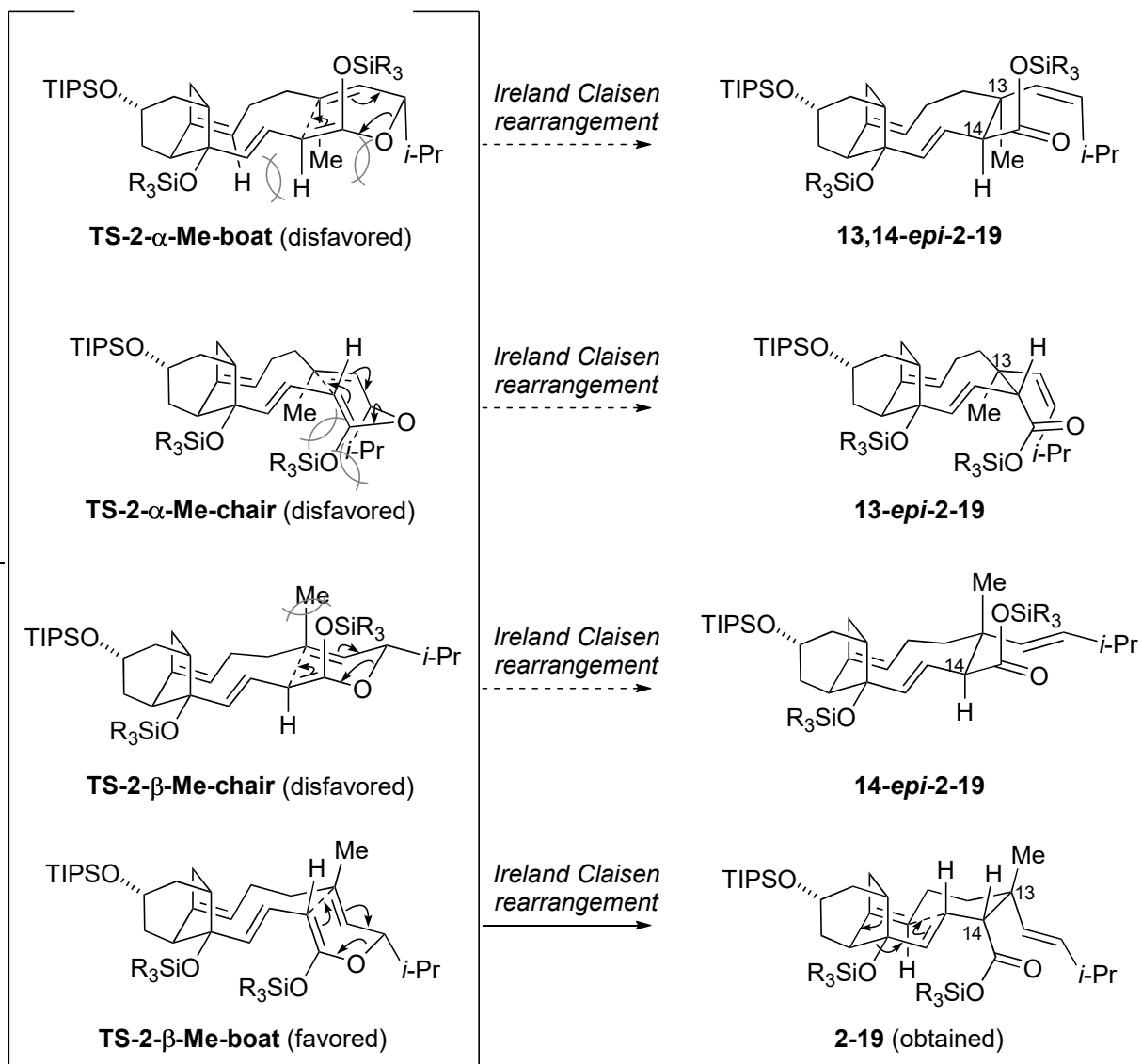
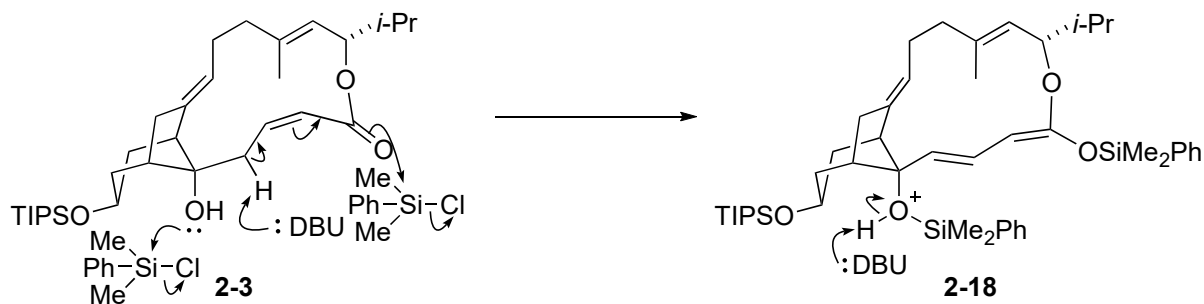


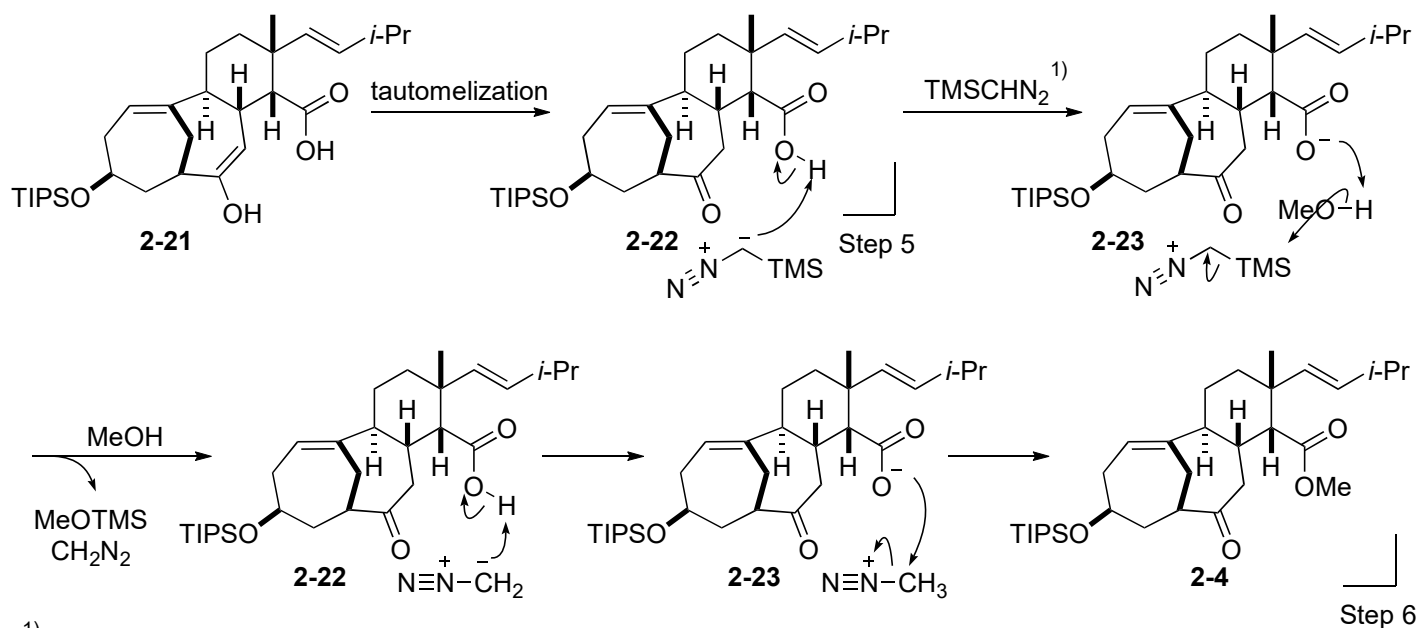
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Step 5-6. Tandem Ireland Claisen/Cope rearrangement.

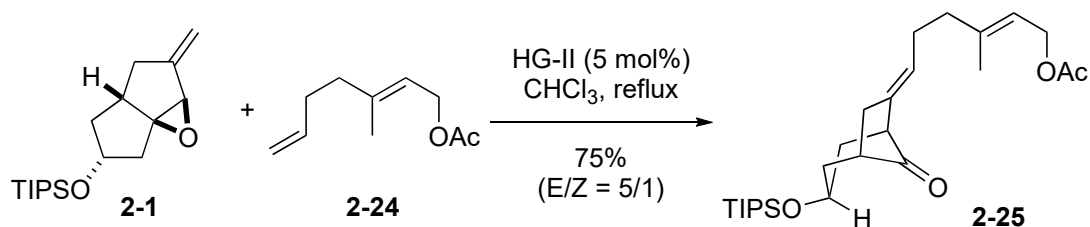




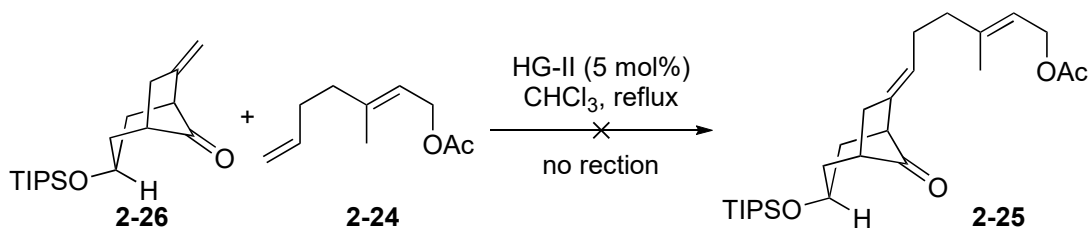
<sup>1)</sup> Kuhnel, E.; Laffen, D. D. P.; Lloyd-Jones, G. C.; Campo, T. M.; Shepperson, I. R.; Slaughter, J. L. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2007**, *46*, 7075.

### Discussion 1. The order of cross-metathesis and semipinacol rearrangement.

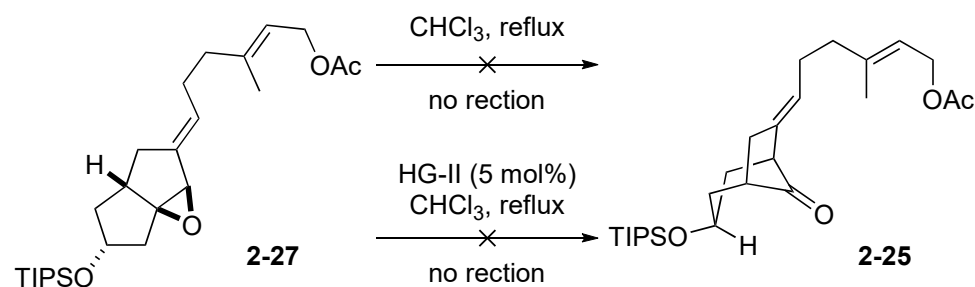
- The model experiment of a tandem cross-metathesis (CM)/semipinacol rearrangement reaction



- Control experiments for the tandem reaction.



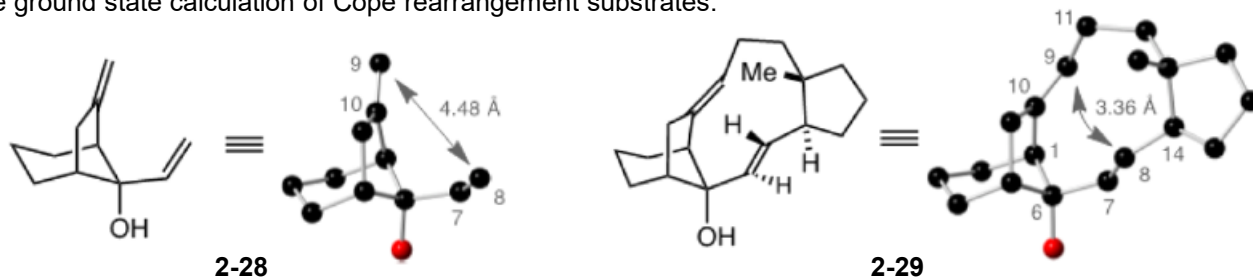
> CM didn't proceed between rearrangement product **2-26** and **2-24**, which means CM occurred first.



> Heating **2-27** in reflux  $\text{CHCl}_3$  resulted in no reaction, which means trace HCl in  $\text{CHCl}_3$  wasn't the catalyst.  
 > Treatment of isolated **2-27** with HG-II resulted in no reaction, which means HG-II itself wasn't the catalyst.

**Discussion: Driving force of Cope rearrangement.**

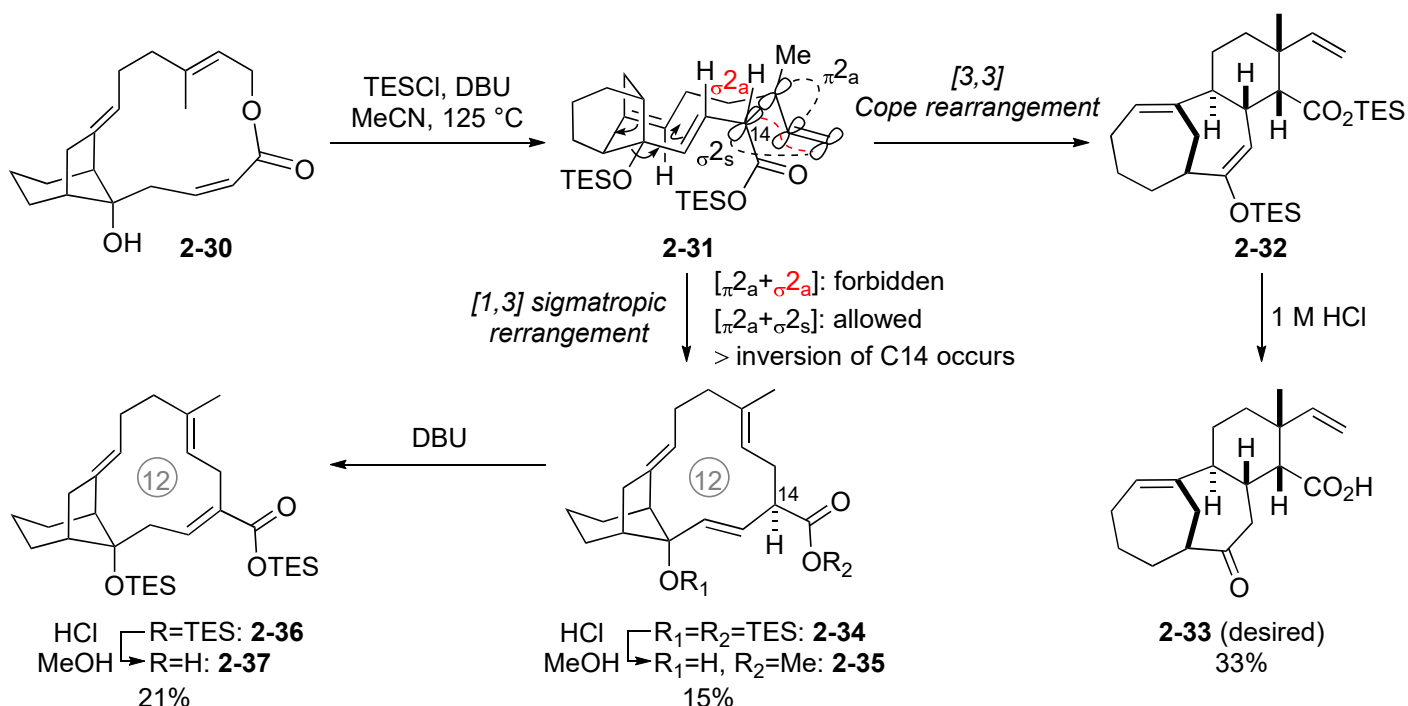
- The ground state calculation of Cope rearrangement substrates.



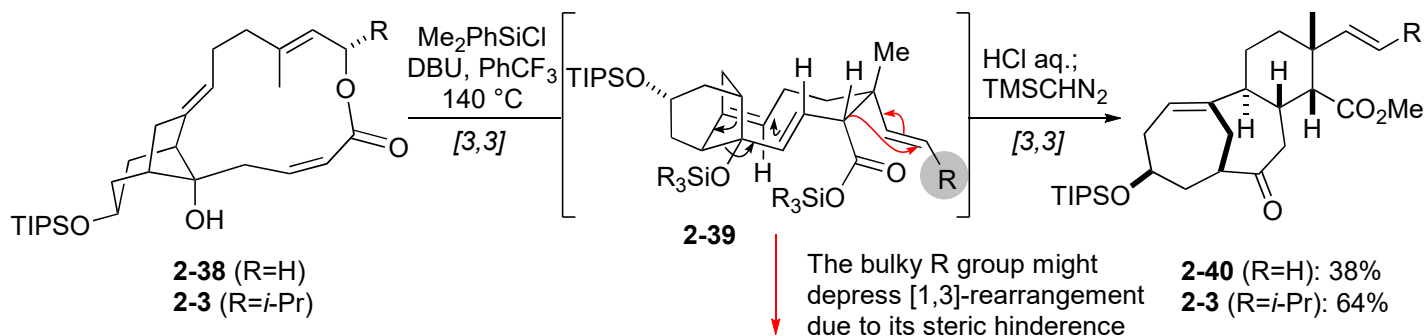
(MacroModel using the OPLS 2005 force field in vacuum)

- > Calculation result of **2-28** indicate the termini of the alkenes are so far (~4.5 Å) that a Cope rearrangement of **2-28** may be disfavored.
  - > Tethering the two vinyl groups into a 10-membered ring such as **2-29**, which introduces a strain in the substrate and decreases the distance of the termini of the alkenes (~3.4 Å).
- In order to release the strain of 10-membered ring, a Cope rearrangement might be accelerated.

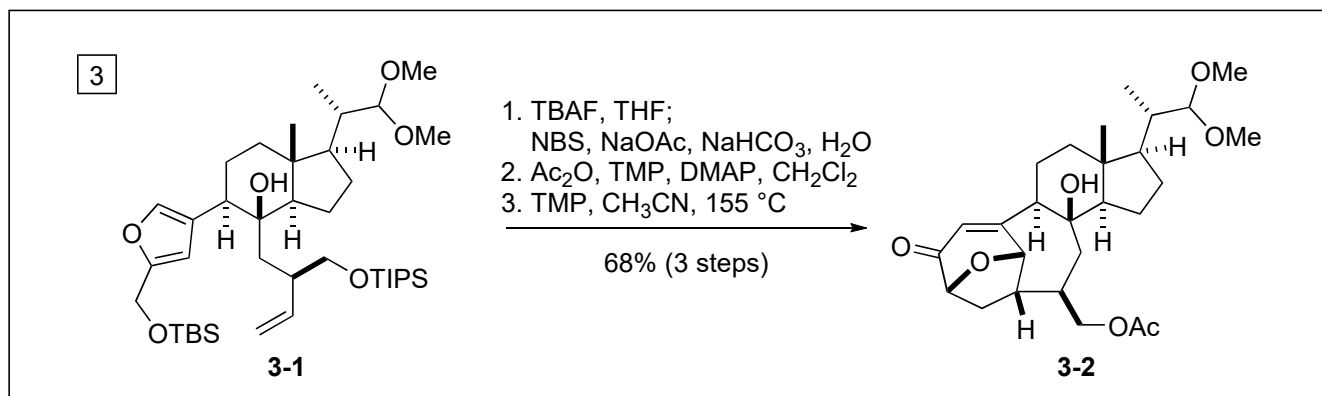
- Another possible strain-relieving pathway of 10-membered ring



About [1,3] sigmatropic rearrangement, see: Berson, J. A. *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1968**, 1, 152.



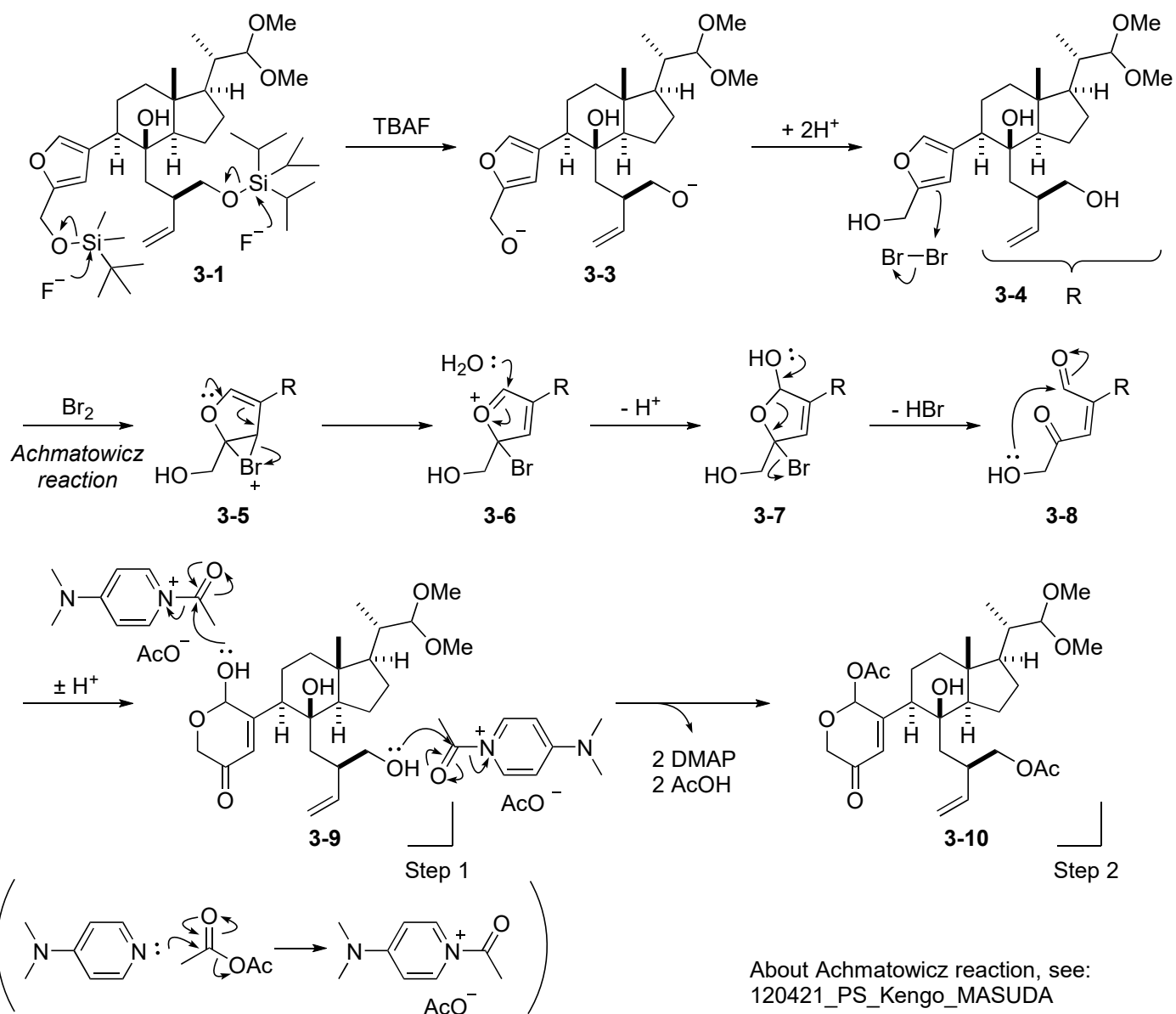
12-membered byproducts



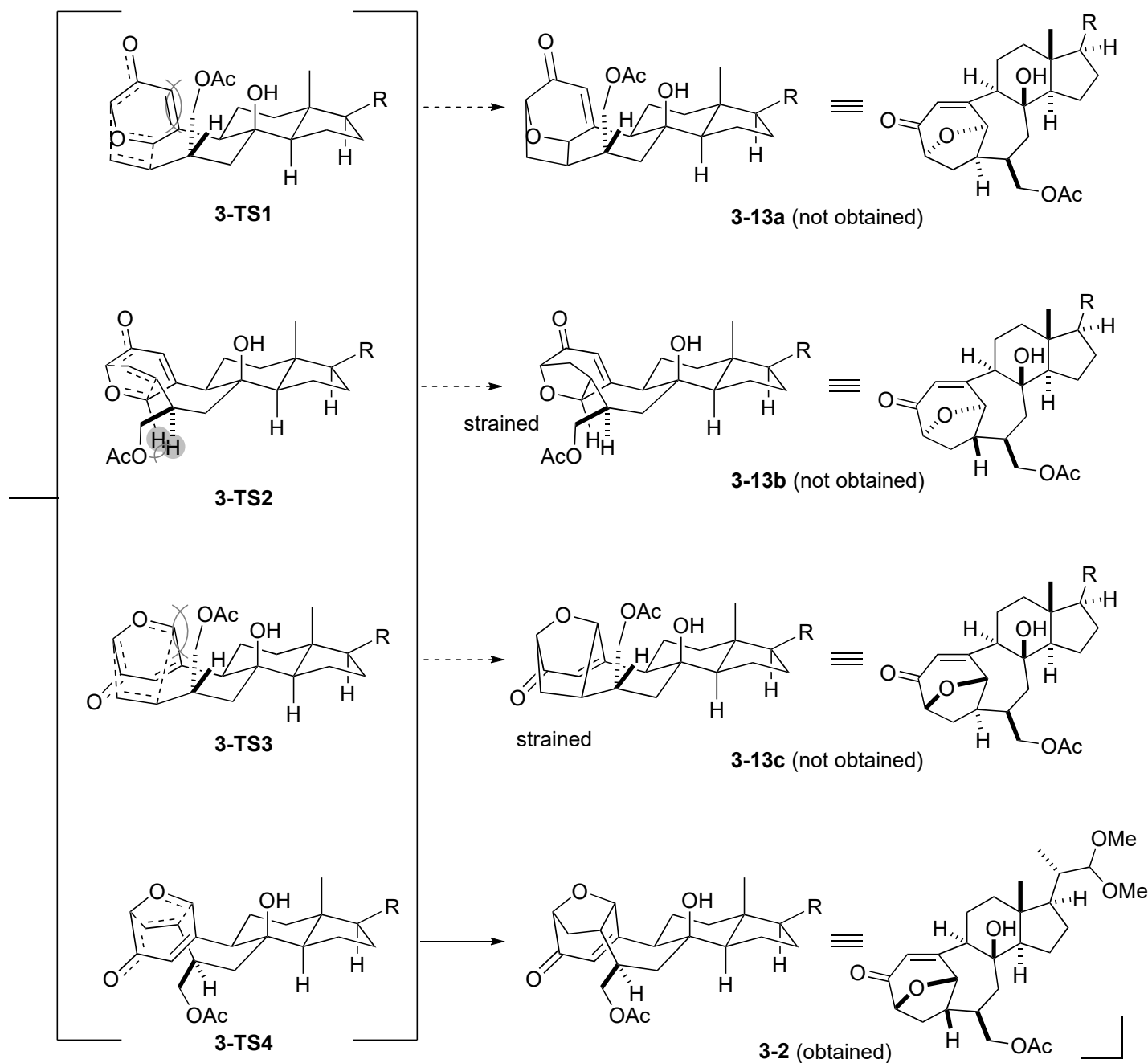
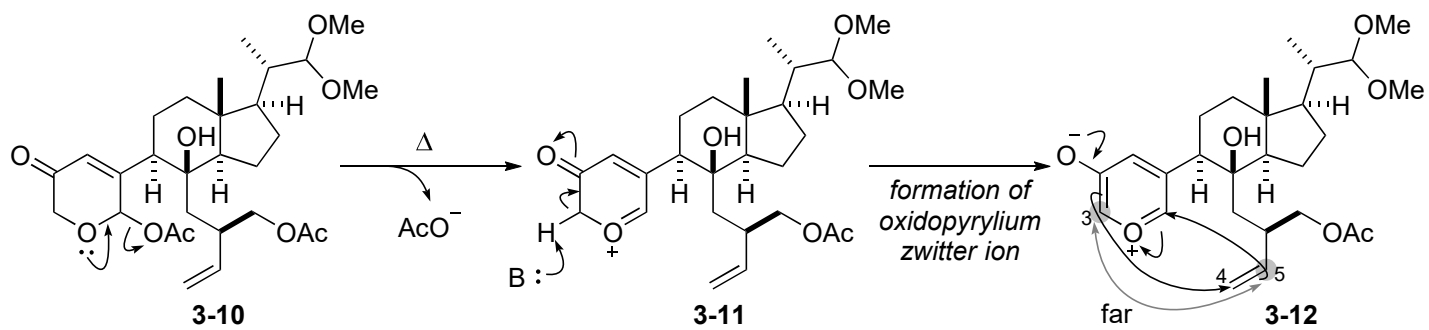
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- The first total synthesis of cyclocitrinol
- Key reaction: intramolecular [5+2] cycloaddition.

Step 1-2. Achmatowicz reaction.



Step 3. intramolecular [5+2] cycloaddition.



Step 3

Problem 2. Step 5. Claisen rearrangement from (*E*)-enolate

