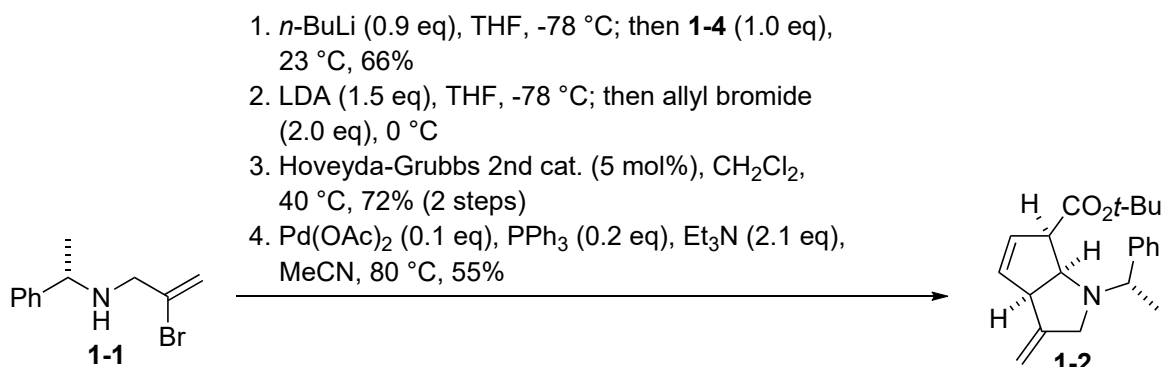


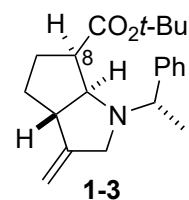
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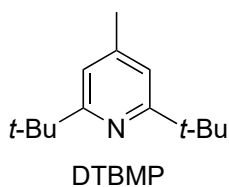
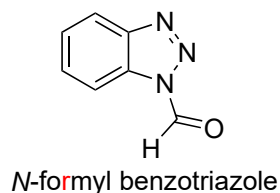
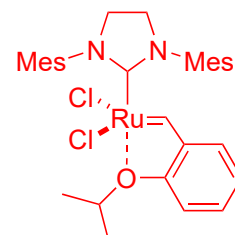
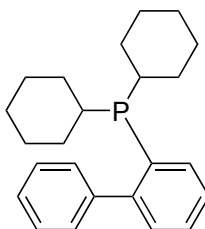
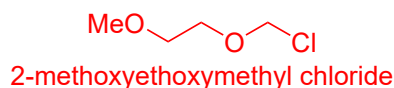
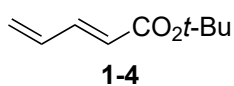
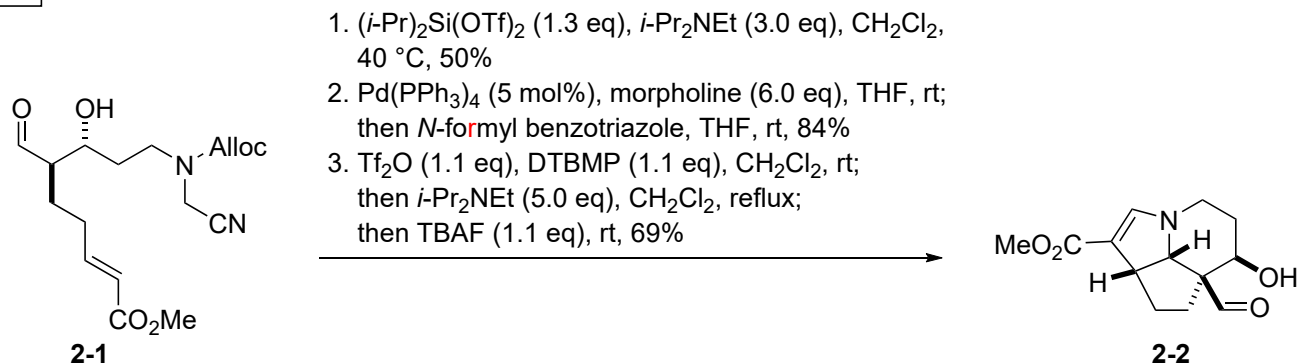
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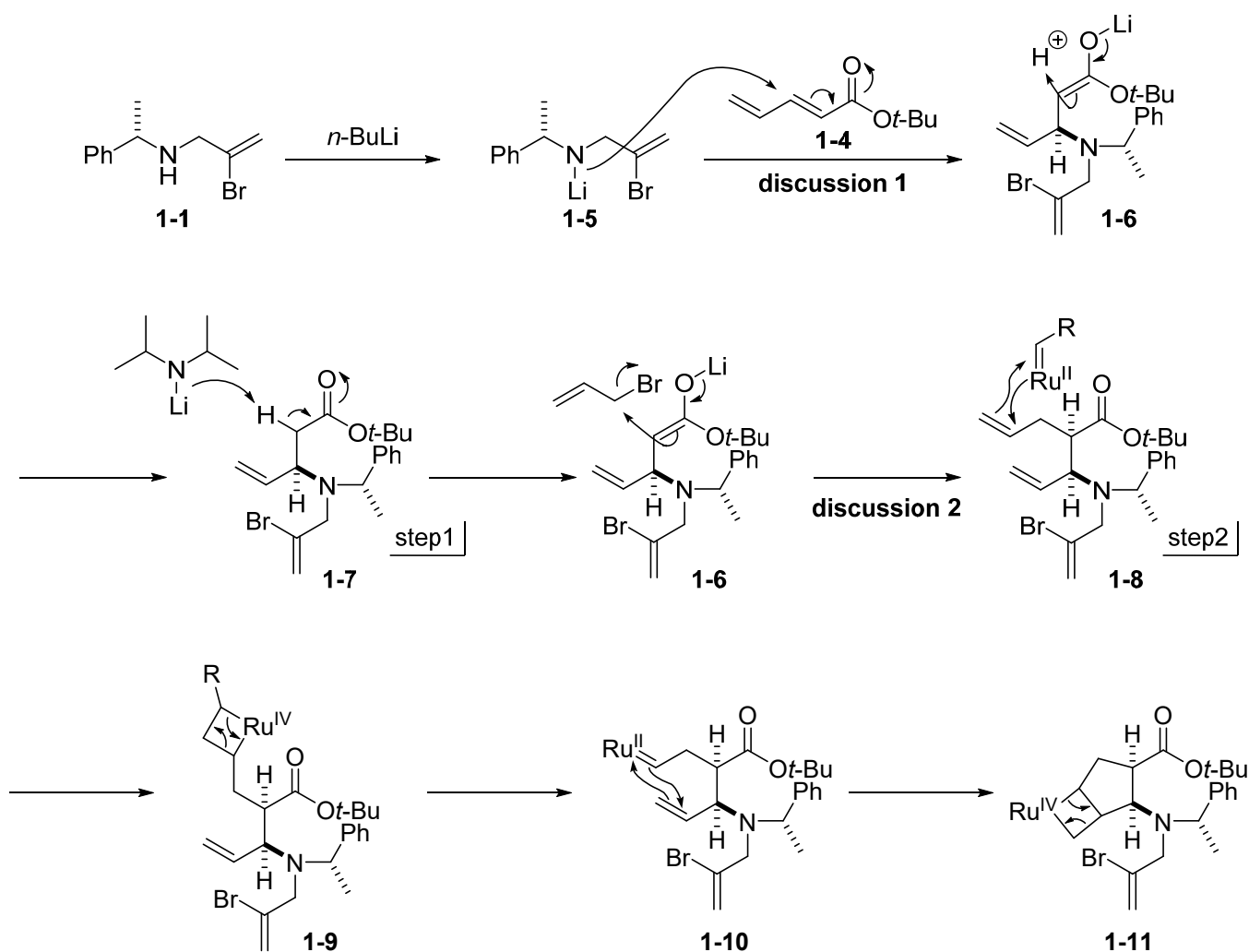
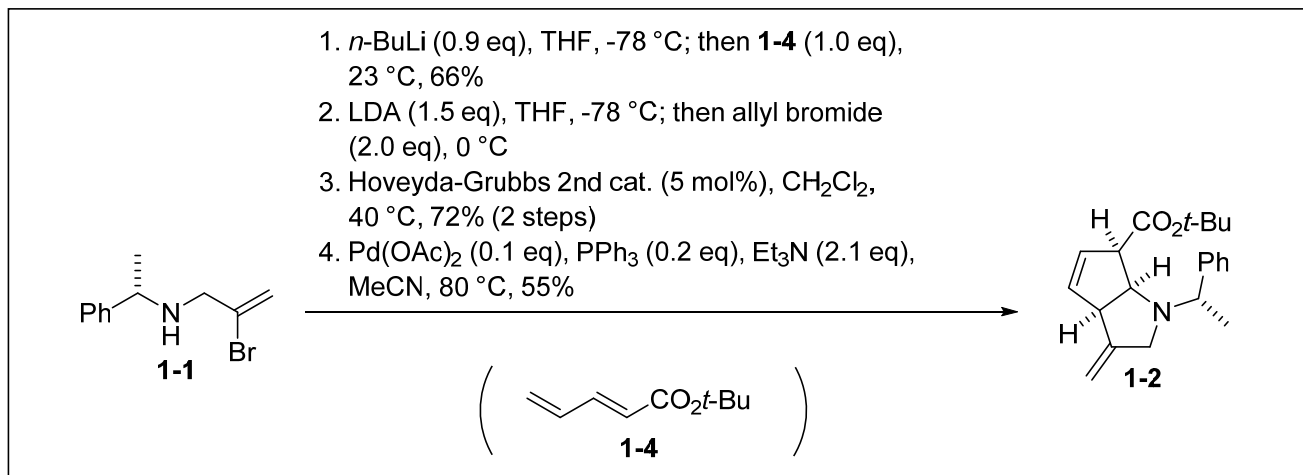


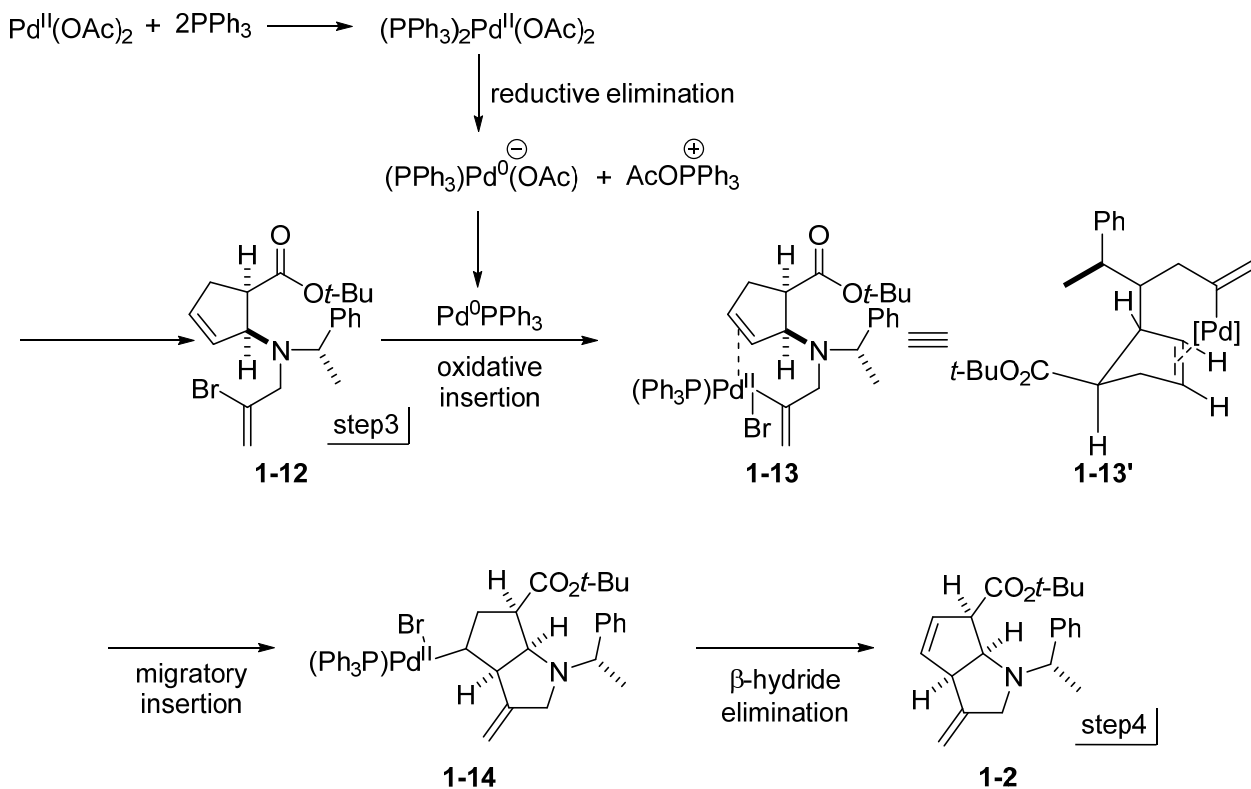
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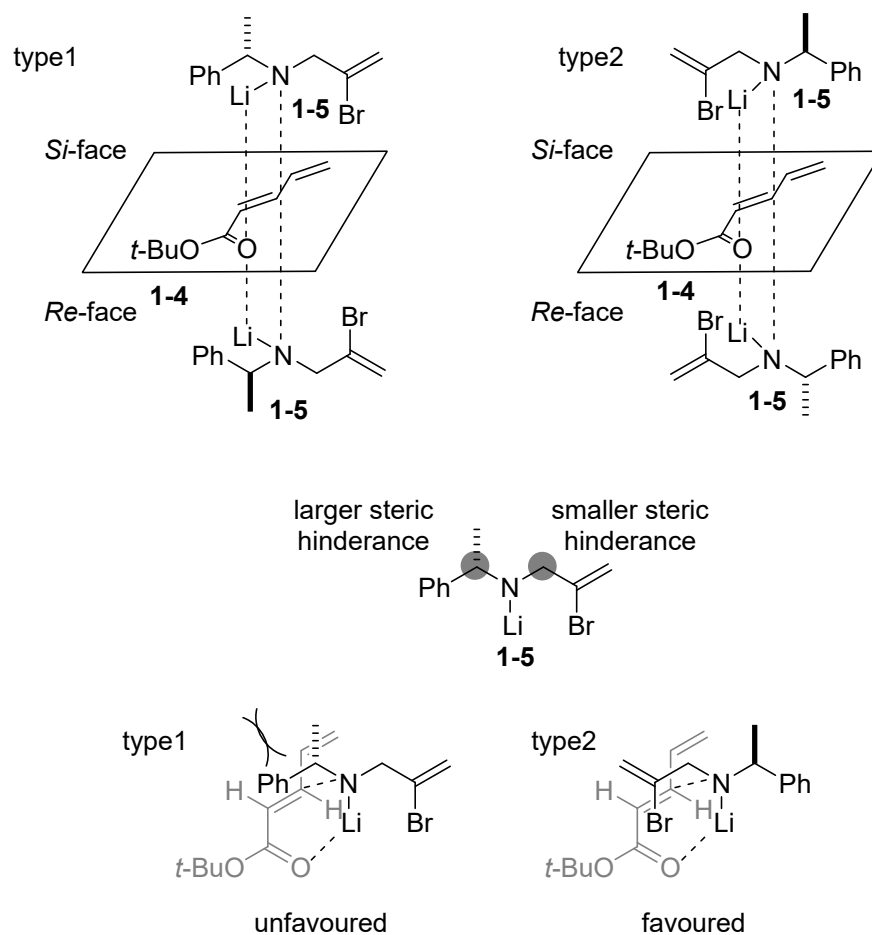


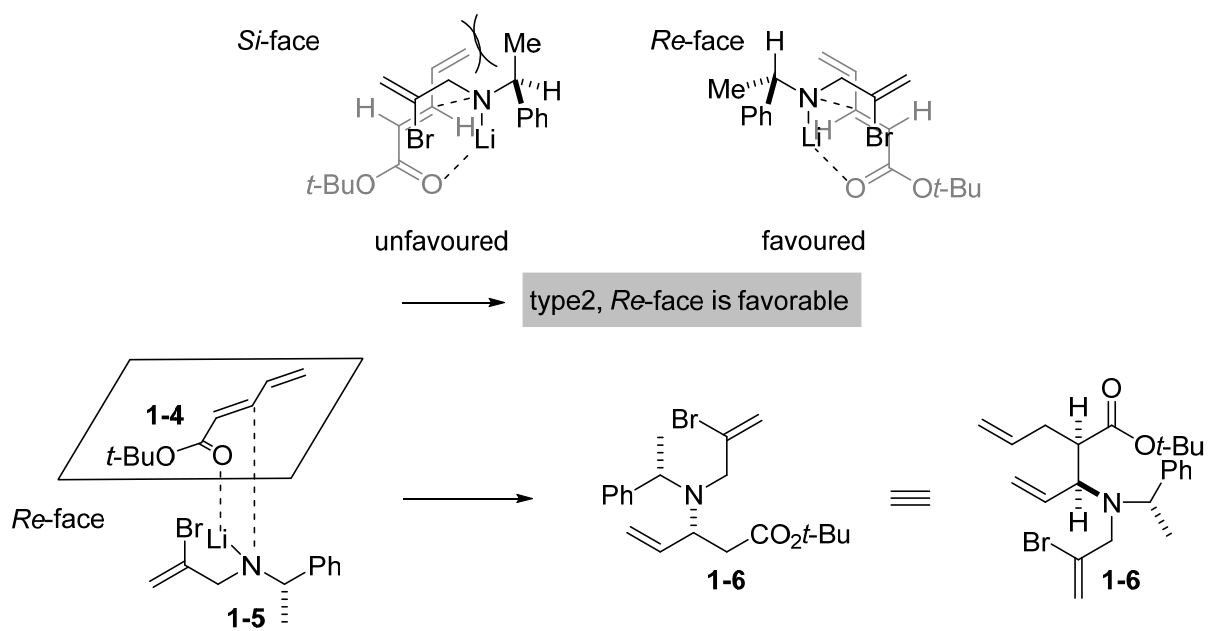


Discussion 1-1

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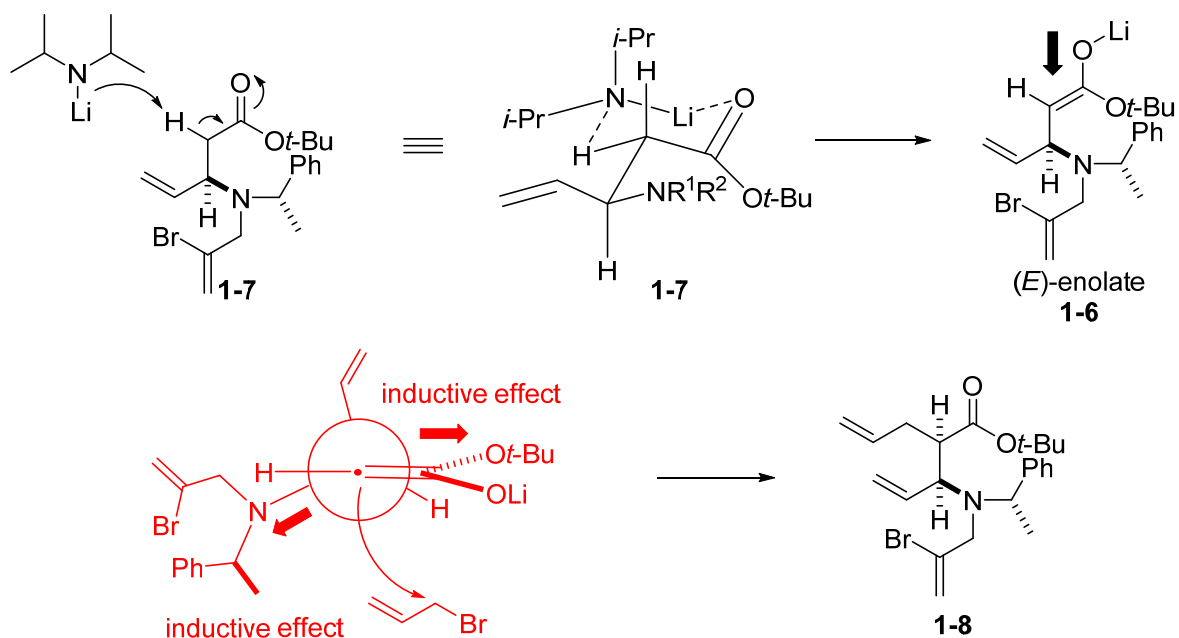
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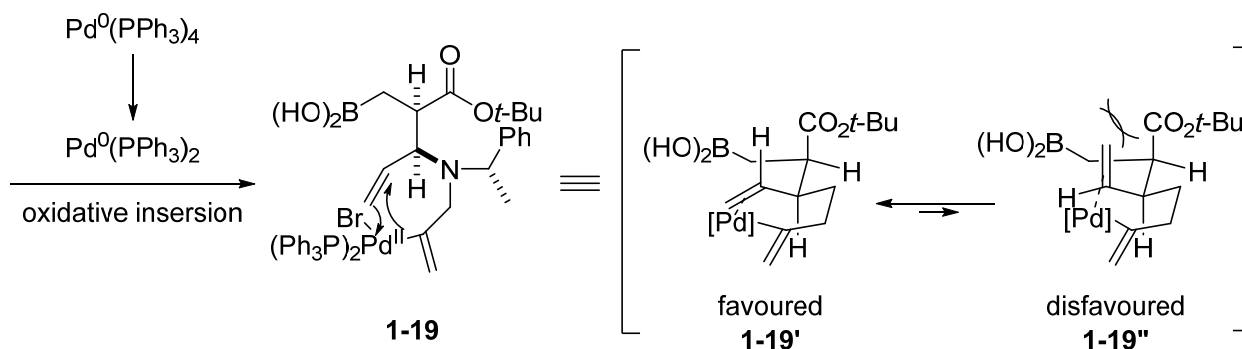
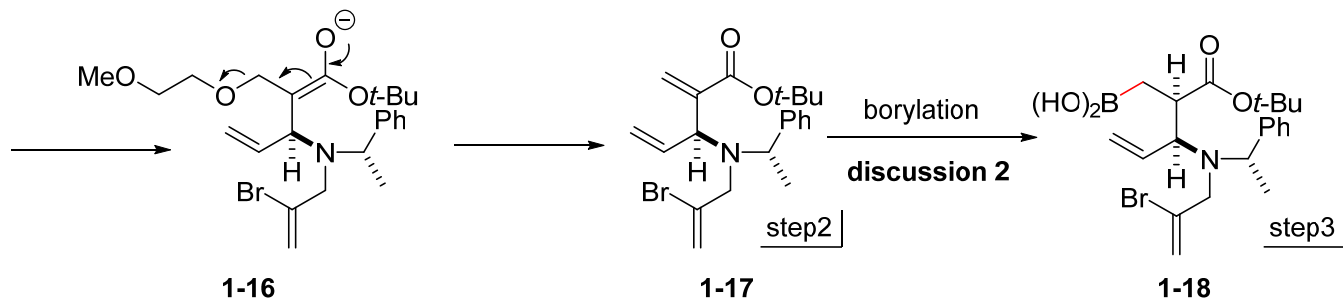
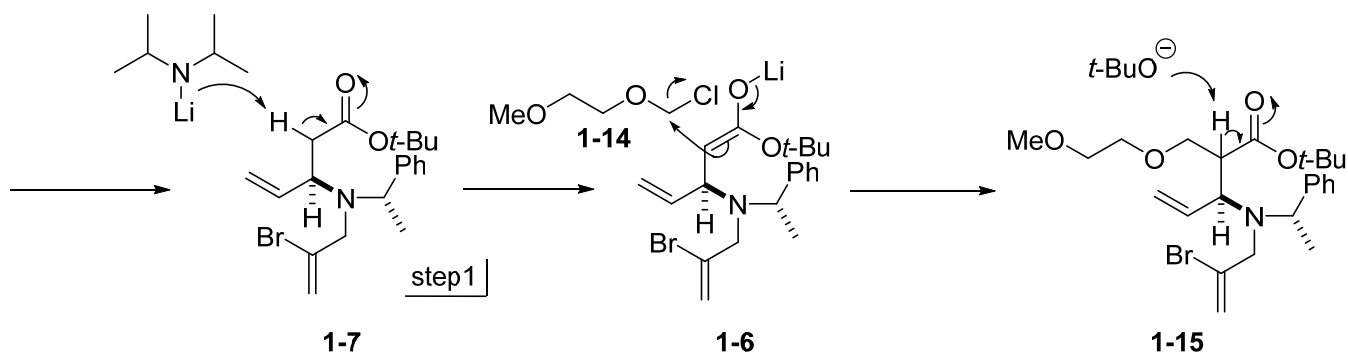
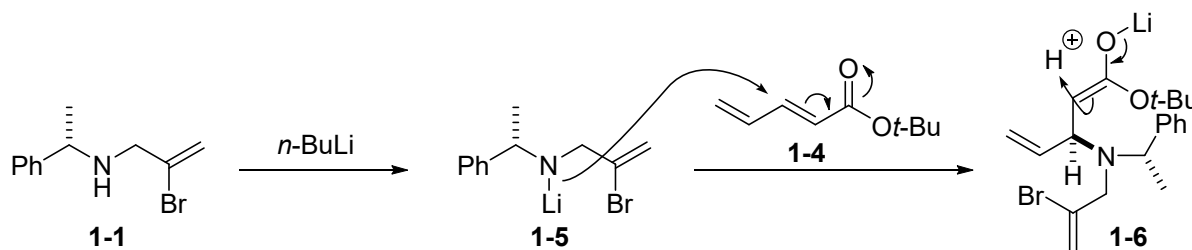
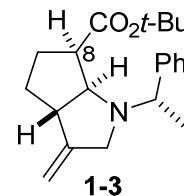
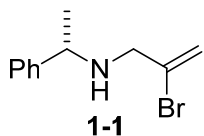


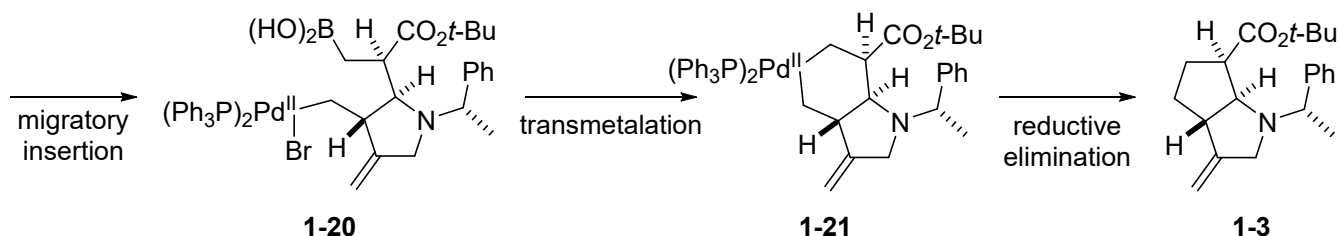
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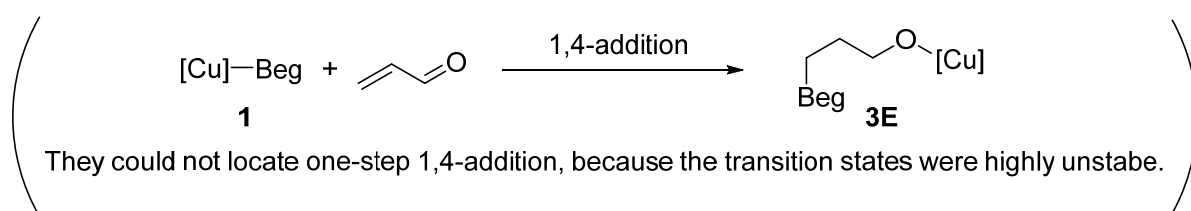
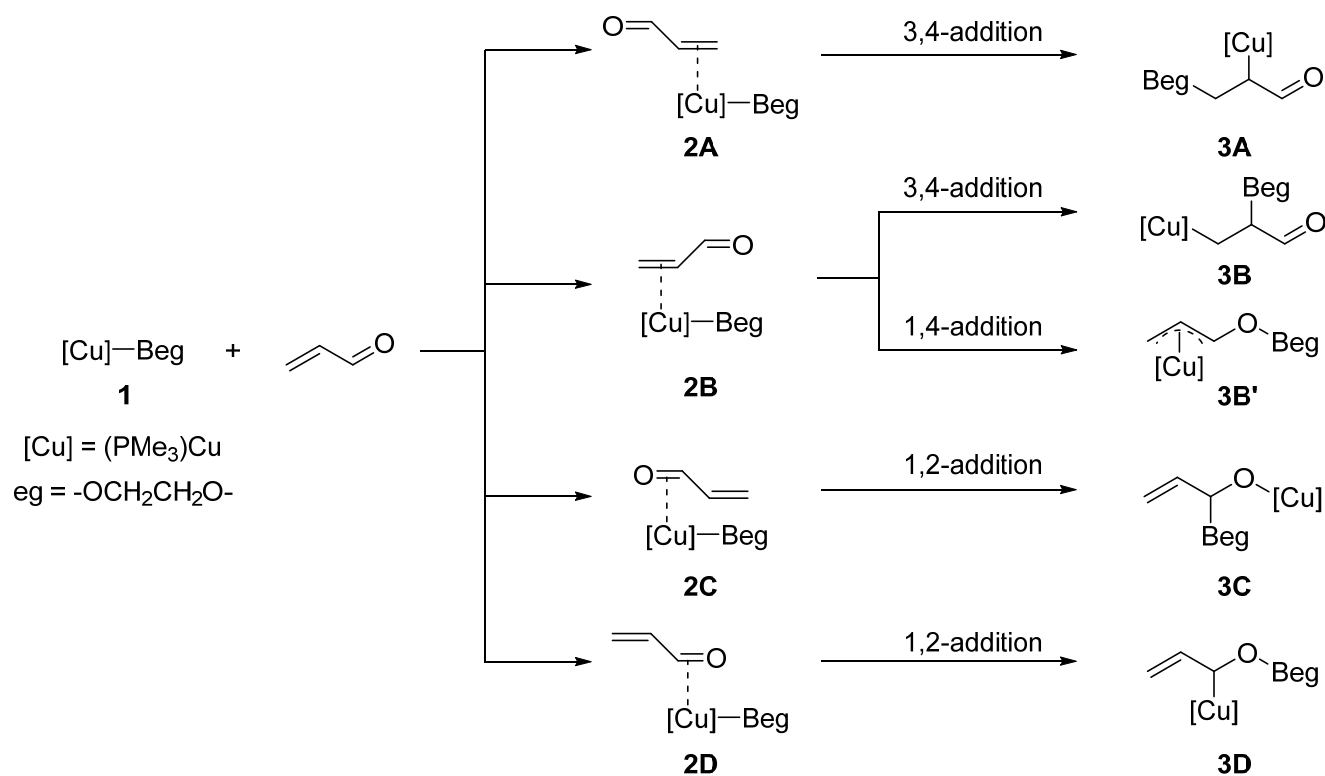
Discussion 2 : reaction mechanism of borylation

- DFT studies on the borylation of α,β -unsaturated carbonyl compounds was conducted by Marder et. al. (Dang, L.; Lin, Z.; Marder, T. B. *Organometallics* **2008**, *27*, 4443.)

computational details

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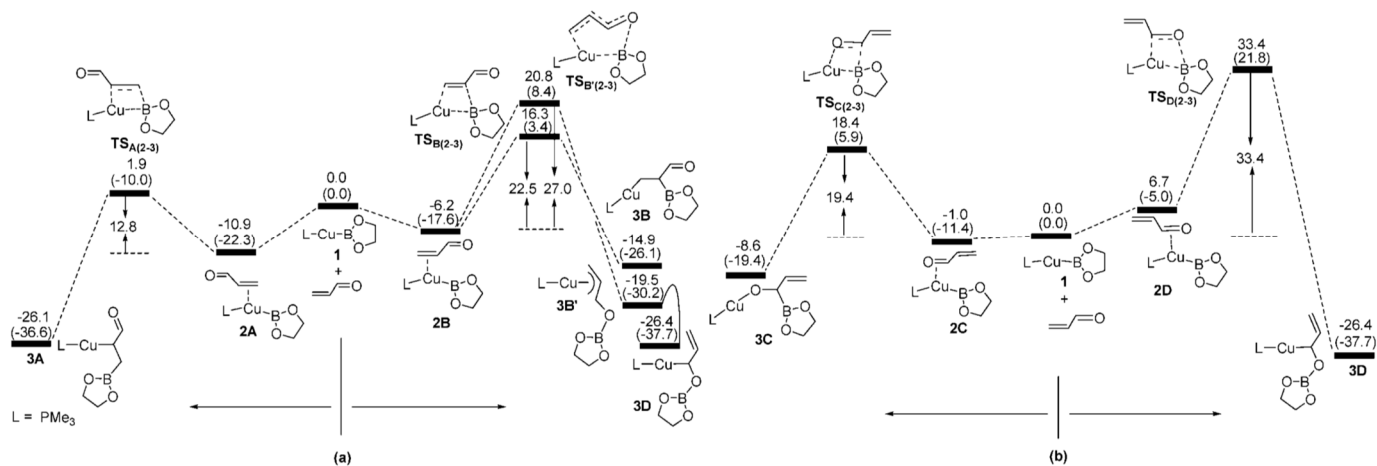


Figure 1. Energy profiles calculated for various pathways for the insertion of acrolein into the Cu–B bond of the (PMe₃)Cu(boryl) complex. The relative free energies and electronic energies (in parentheses) are given in kcal/mol



Diffect 3,4-addition (**2A** to **3A**) is the most likely pathway to form C–Cu and C–B bonds.

- Next, calculation of borylation of methylacrylate was conducted

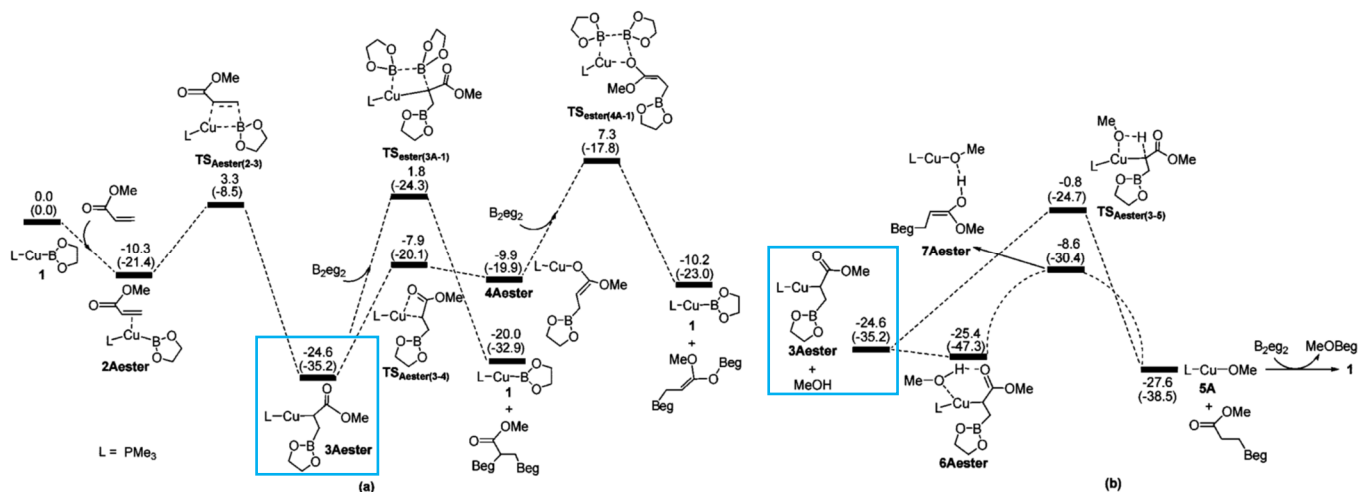
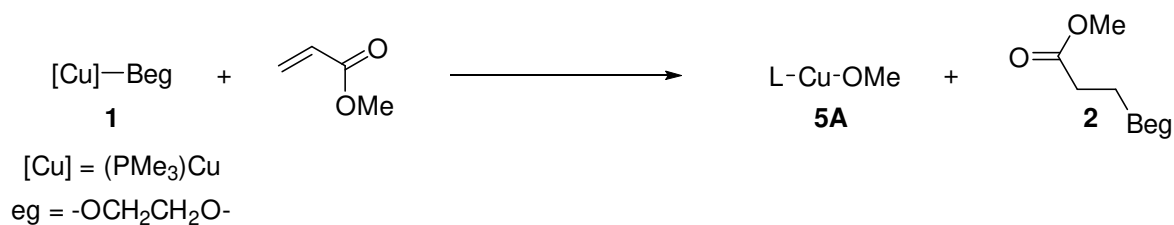
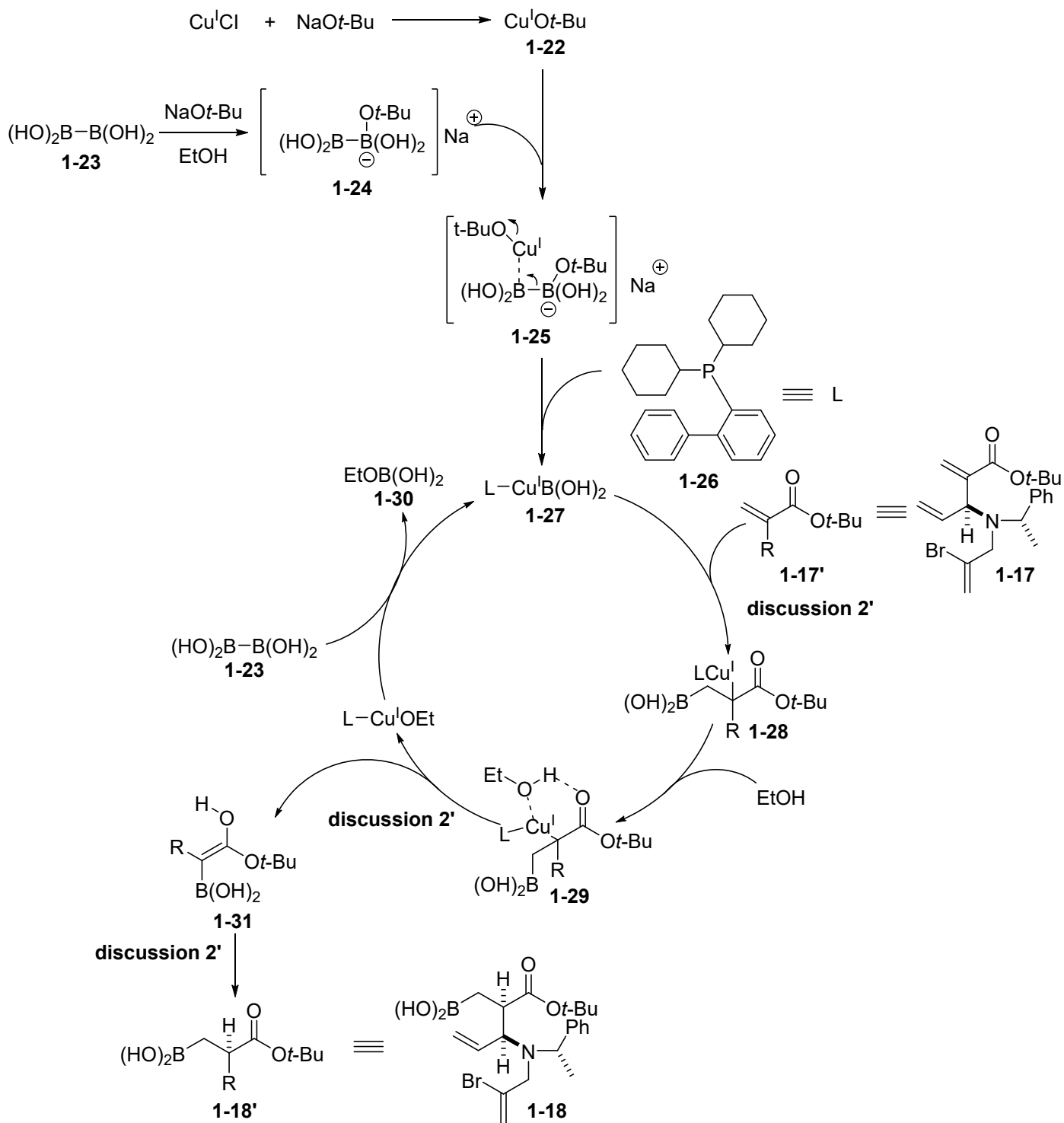


Figure 2. (a) Energy profiles related to the reaction of B₂eg₂ with methylacrylate, a model of α,β-unsaturated ester substrate, catalyzed by **1**. (b) Energy profiles calculated for alcoholysis of **3Aester** with methanol. The relative free energies and electronic energies (in parentheses) are given in kcal/mol.



Under existence of MeOH, pathway (**3Aester**→**6Aester**→**7Aester**) is the most likely.

• Proposed reaction mechanism of borylation



discussion 2' : Stereoselectivity of borylation

