

## Problem Session (4) -Answer

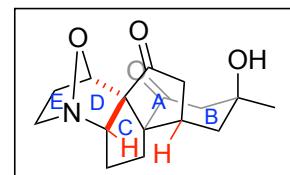
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**Topic:** Total Synthesis of Fawcettimine-Type Alkaloid, Lycojaponicumin A

0. Introduction

0-1. Isolation:

*Lycopodium japonicum* THUNB  
(Li, Y. et al. *Org. Lett.* **2012**, 14, 2614.)



(0-1)

Lycojaponicumin A

0-2. Bioactivity:

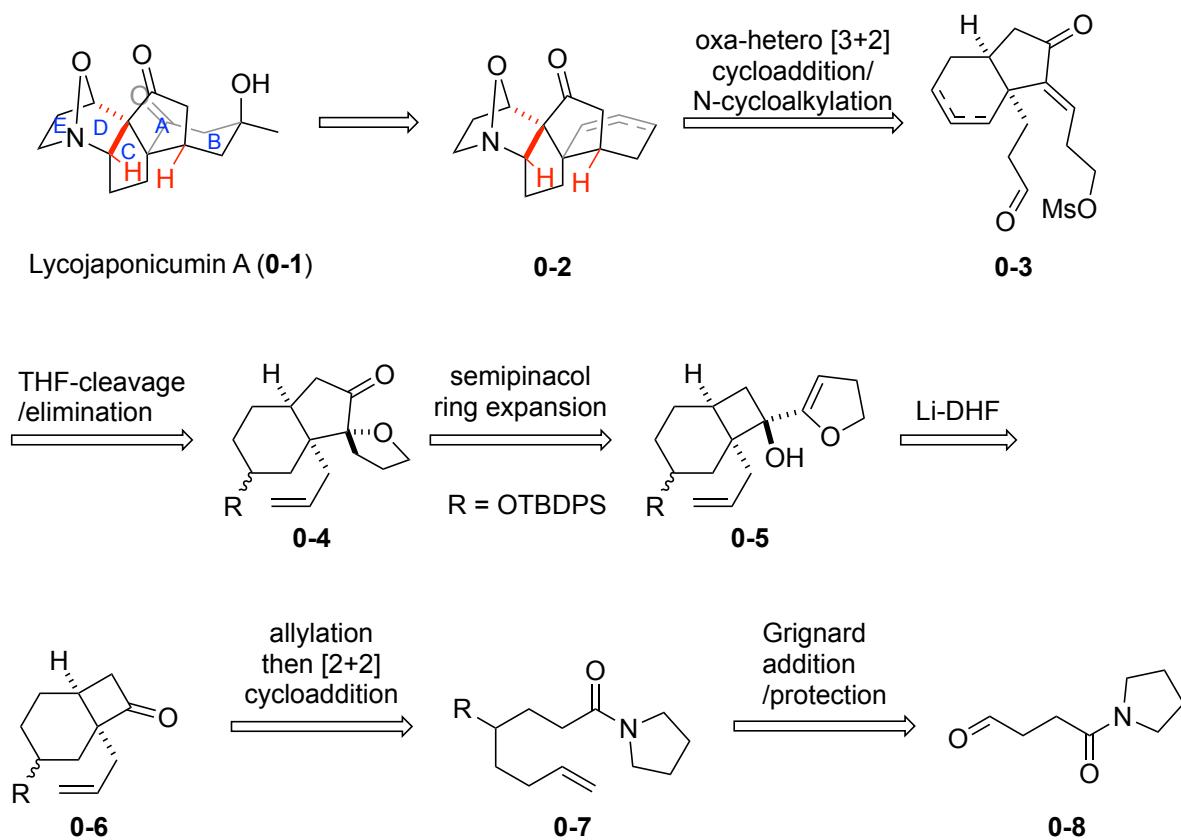
inhibition toward lipopolysaccharide (LPS)-induced pro-inflammatory factors  
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0-3. Structural features

[6,5]-bicyclic moiety (A and B rings)

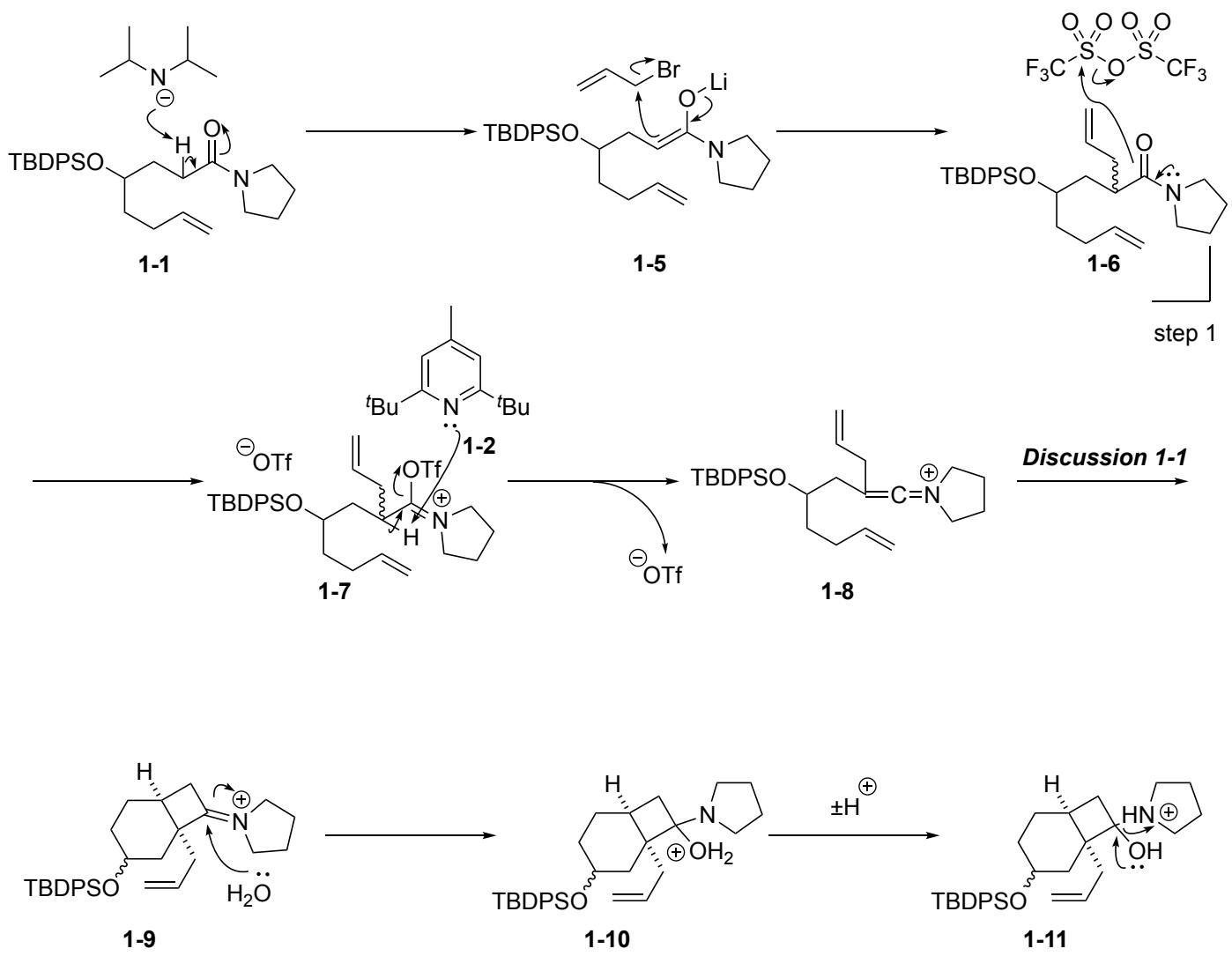
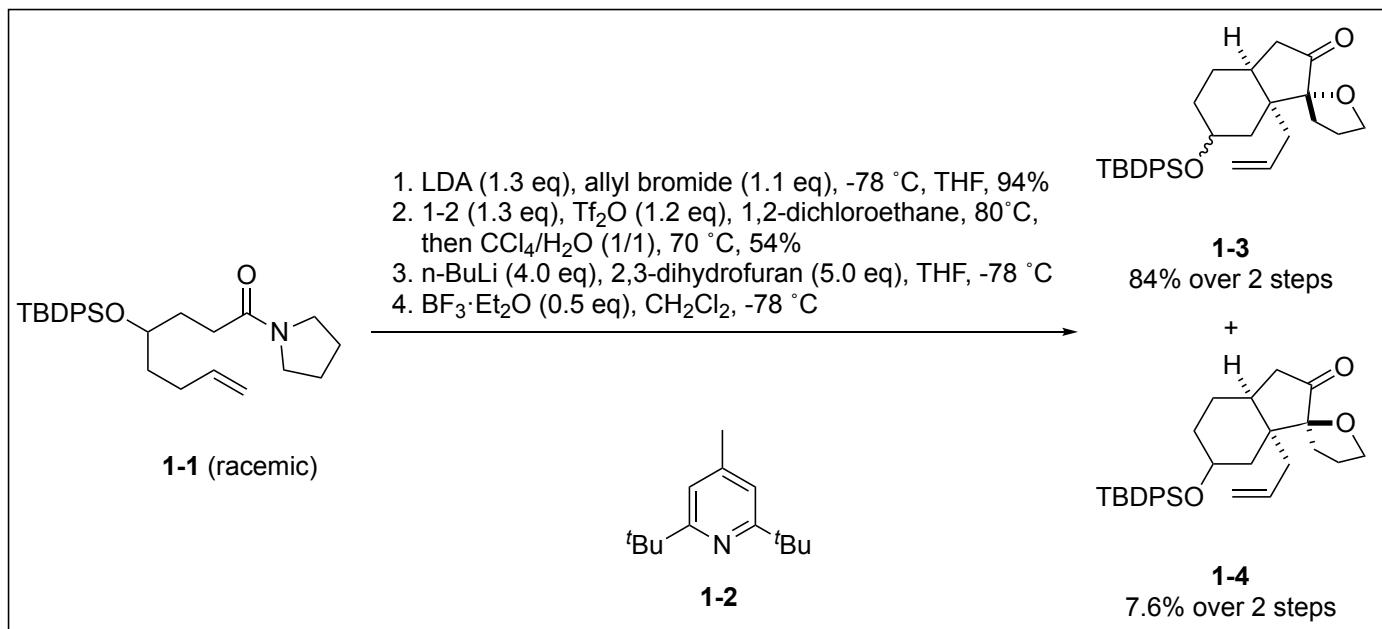
a highly strained tetrahydroisoxazole-contained system (rings C–E).

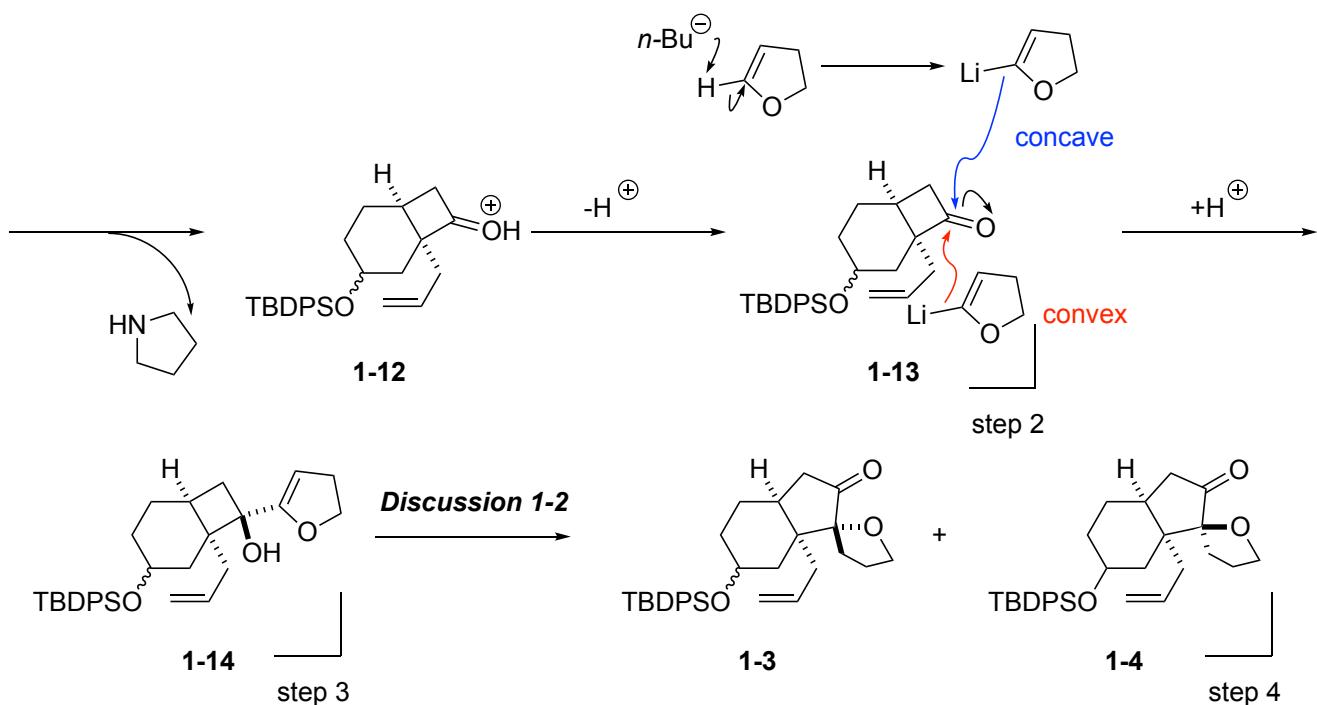
0-4. Retro-synthesis



Shao, H. et al. *Org. Lett.* **2020**, 22, 3775.

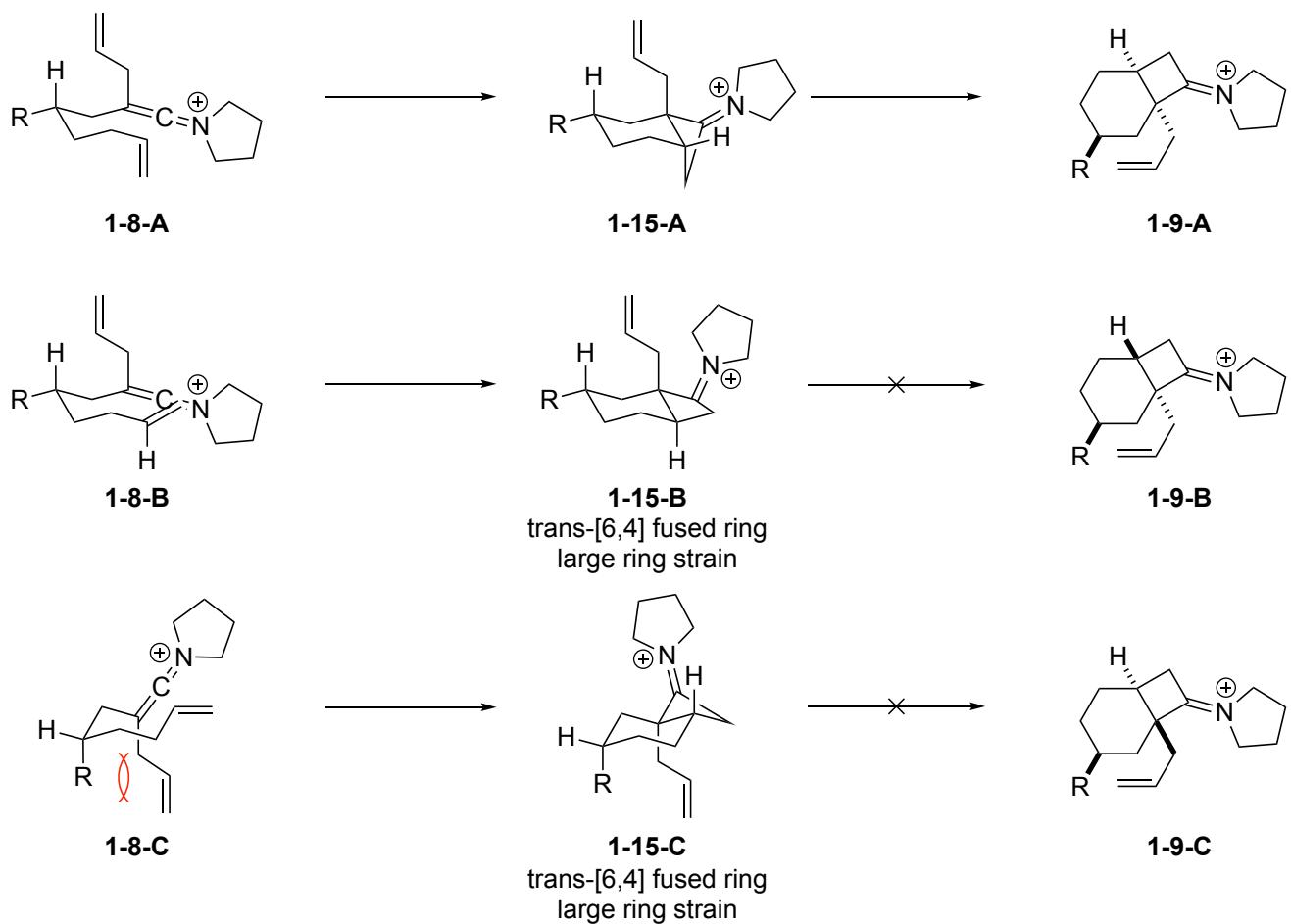
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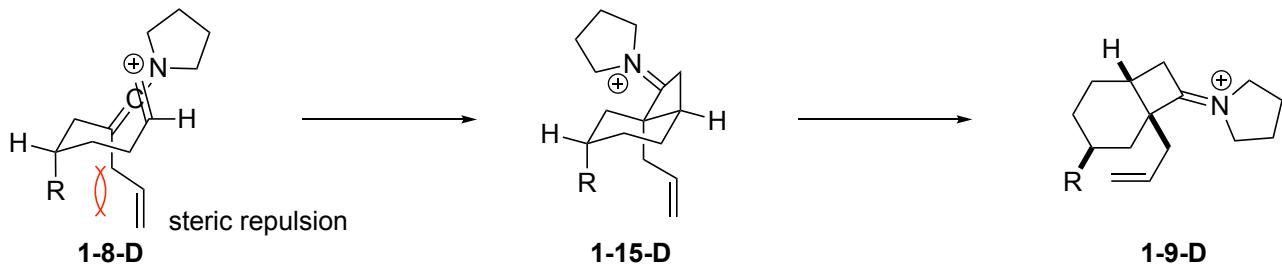




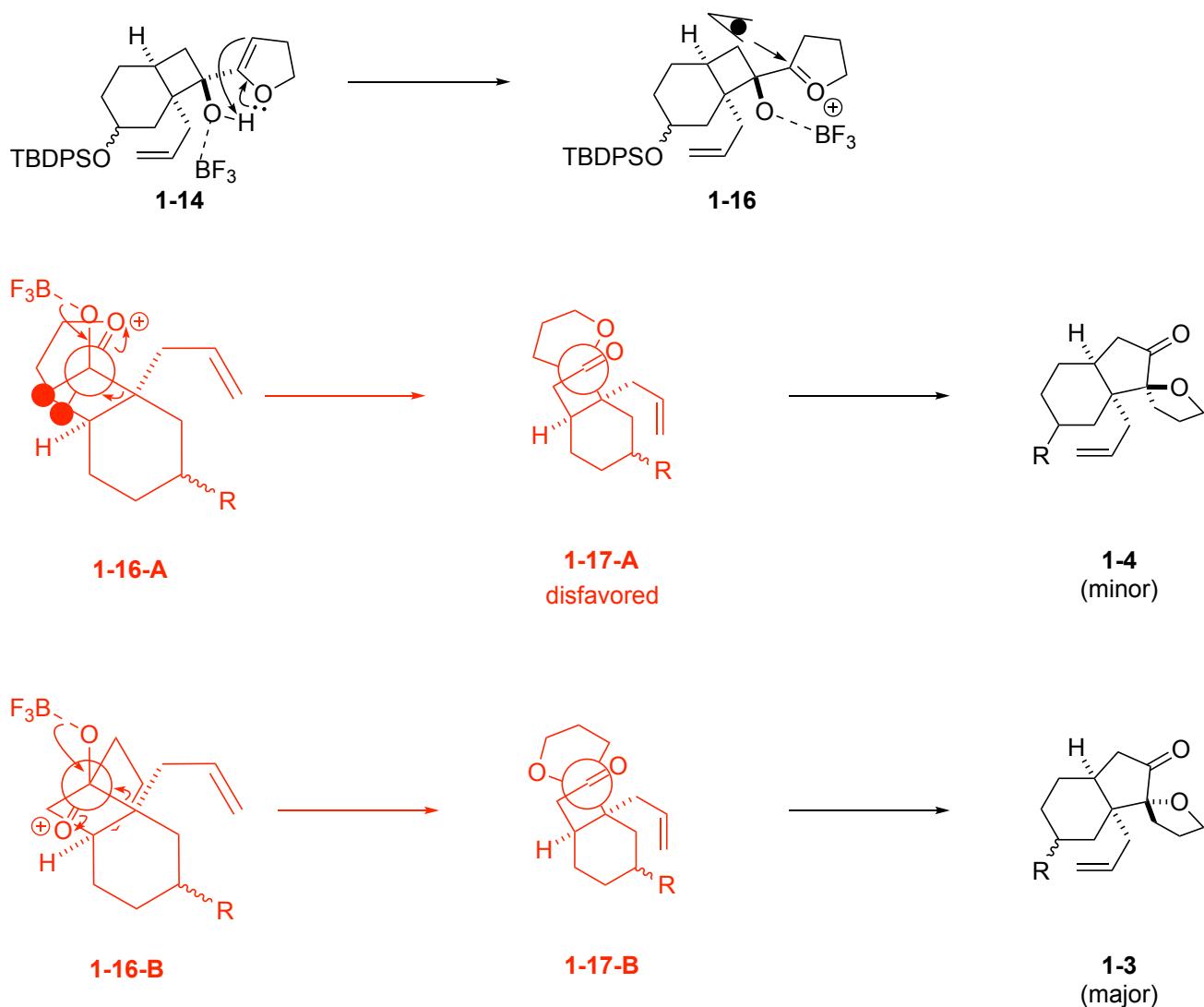
### *Discussion 1-1*

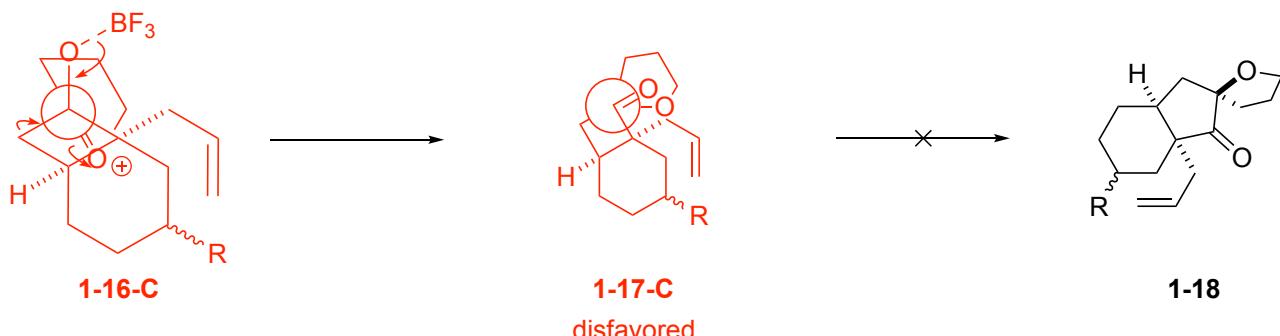
R = OTBDPS



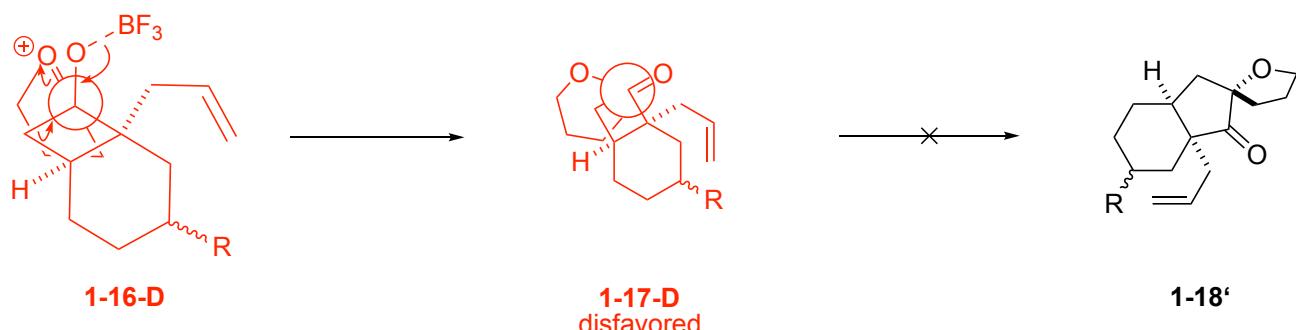


### Discussion 1-2



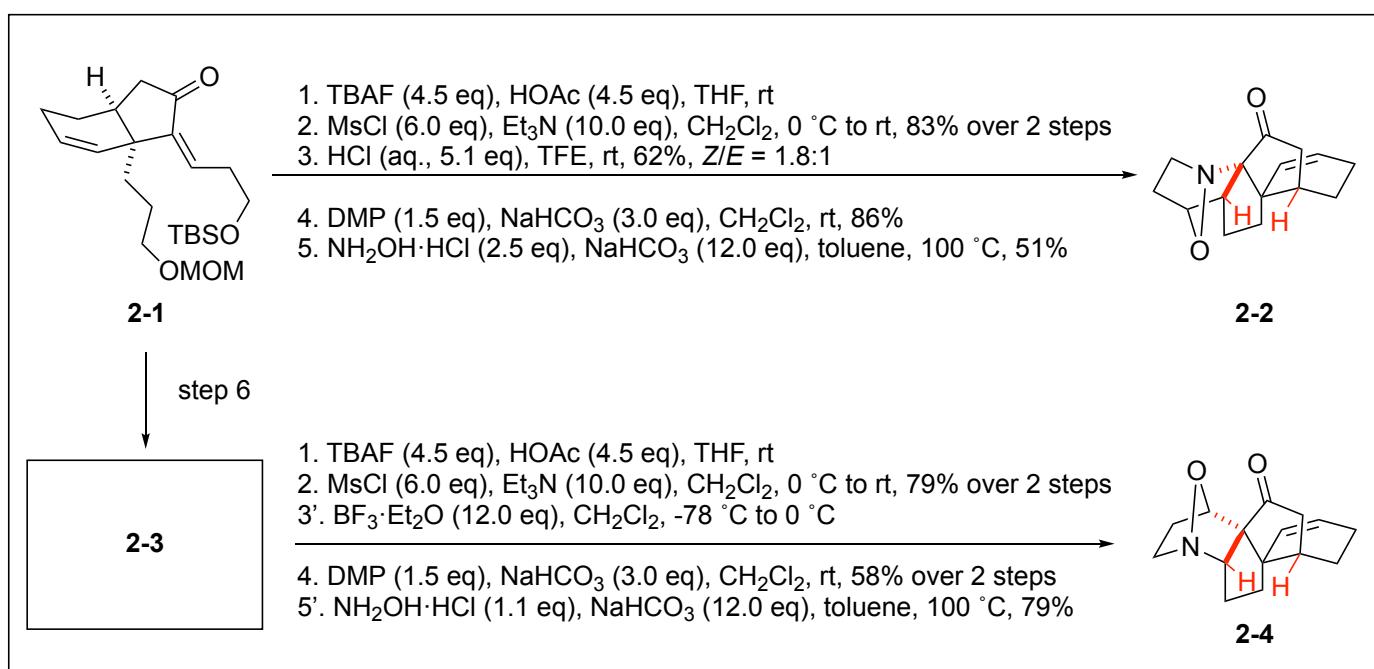


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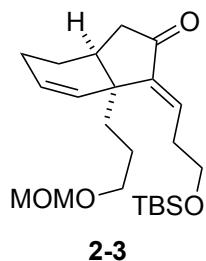


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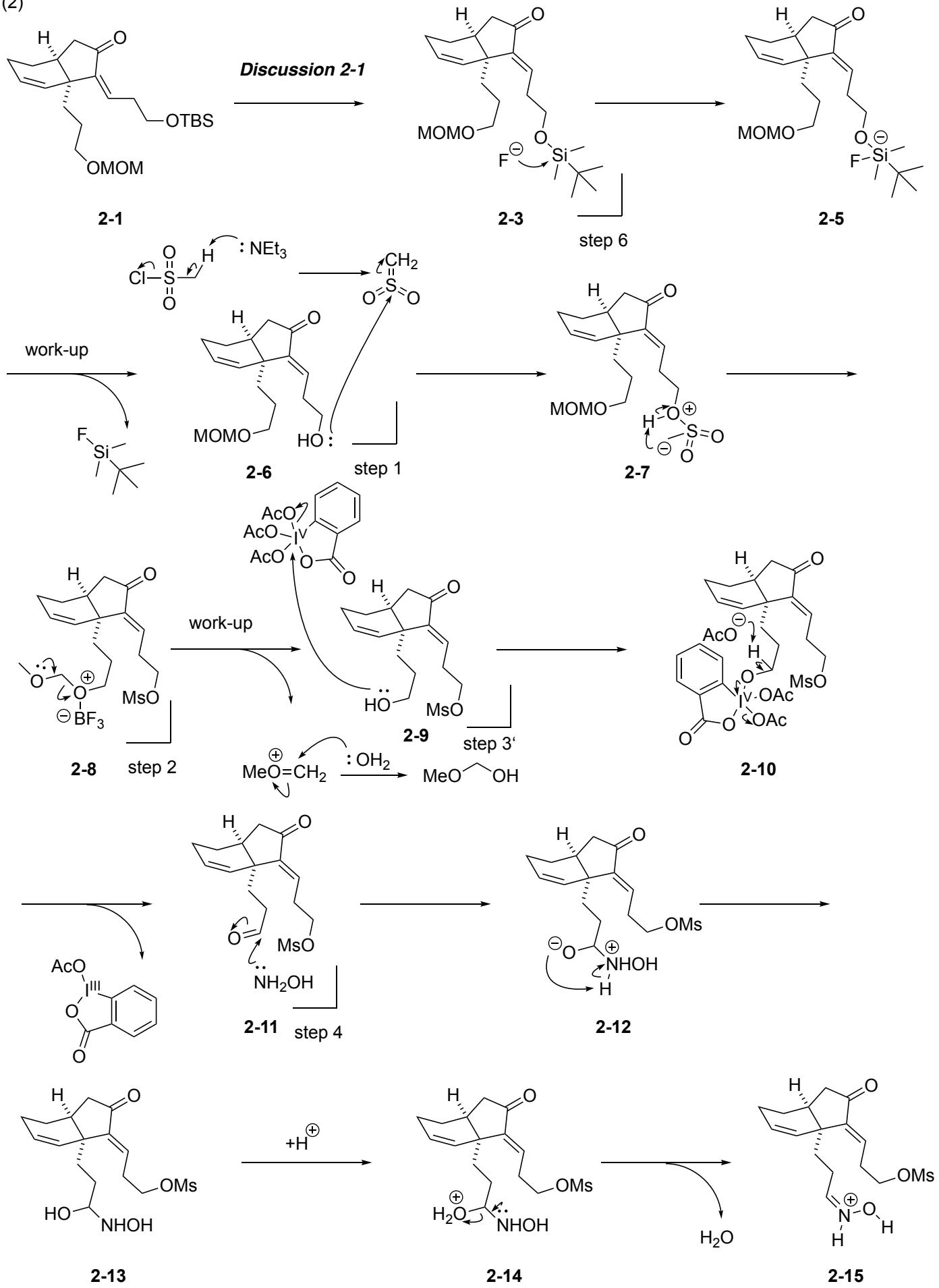
## Problem 2

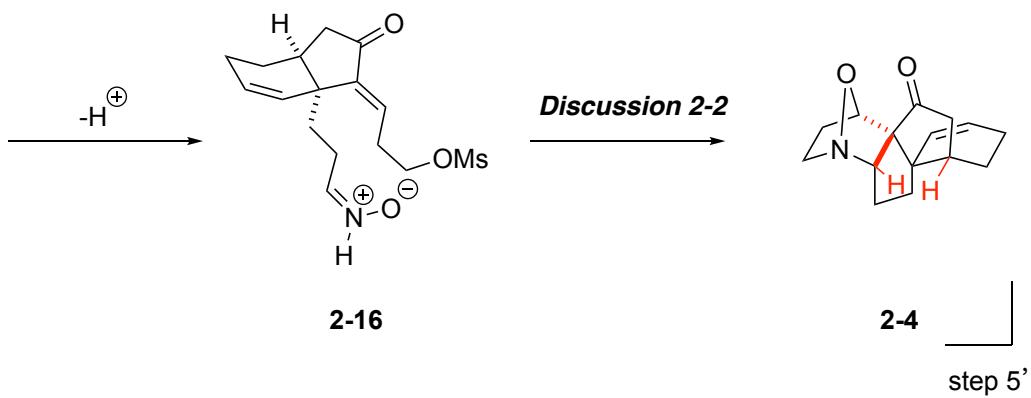


(1) step 6:  $h\nu$  (395 nm, 50W), MeCN, rt



(2)



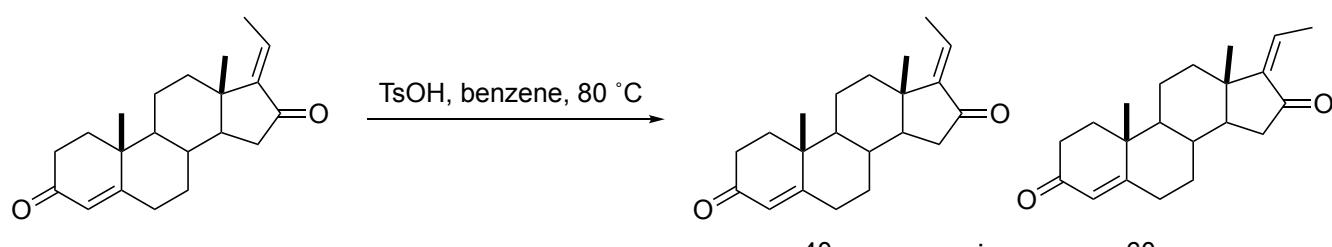


The mechanism of **2-1** to **2-2** was similar to **2-3** to **2-4**, so it is neglected here.

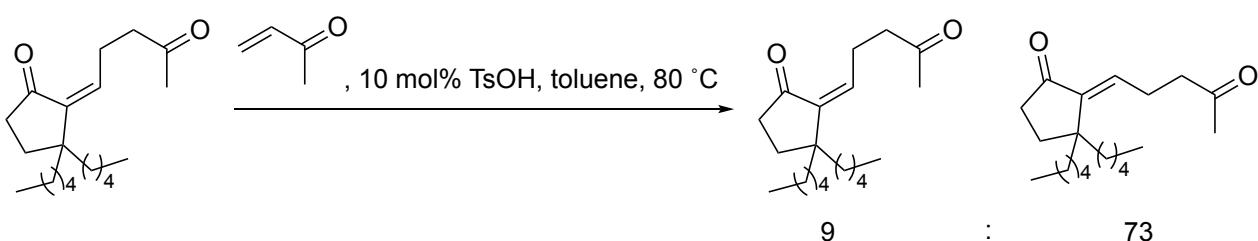
#### **Discussion 2-1**

According to the author, although a wide variety of acidic and thermodynamic conditions were screened, isomerization of **2-1** to **2-3** could not be realized.

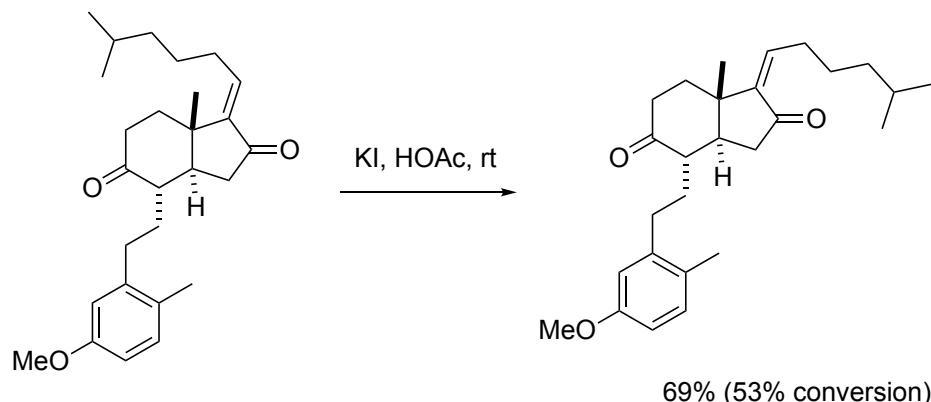
examples:



Ham, J.; Chin, J.; Kang, H. *Molecules* **2011**, *16*, 4165.

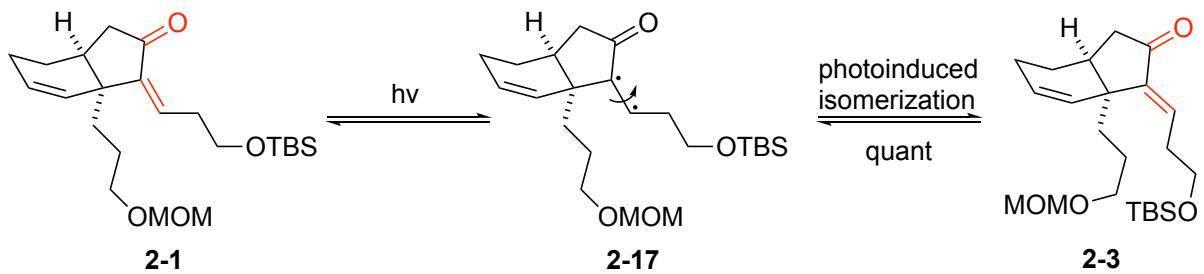


Sugimoto, K.; Yoshida, M.; Ihara, M. *Synlett* **2006**, *2006*, 1923.



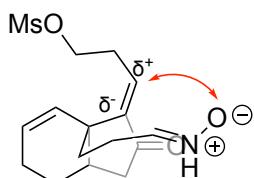
Taber, D. F.; Jiang, Q.; Chen, B.; Zhang, W.; Campbell, C. L. *J. Org. Chem.* **2002**, *67*, 4821.

photoinduced isomerization:



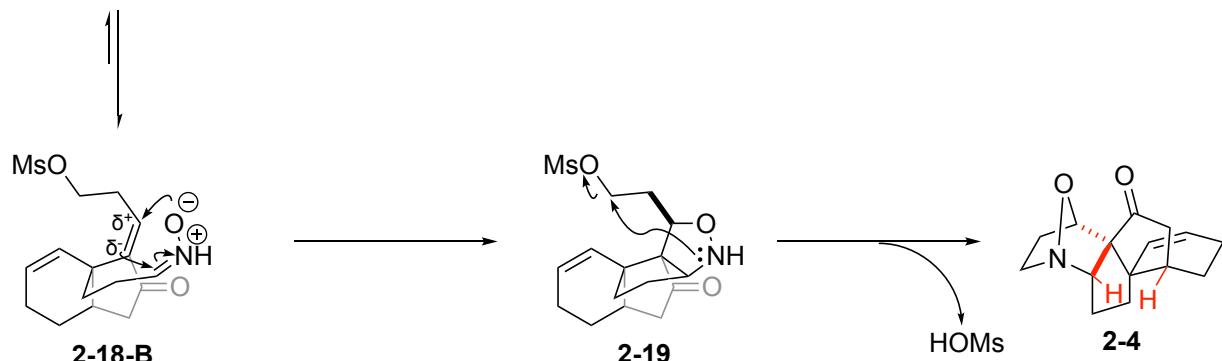
The ketone and the olefin (marked as red) were easier to stay in one plane in **2-1** than **2-3**, thus **2-1** is easier to absorb UV energy.

### Discussion 2-2

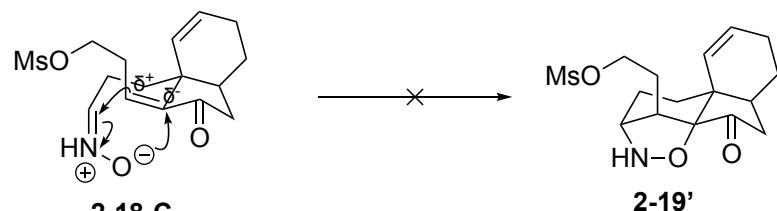


highly strained fused ring  
greater orbital overlap

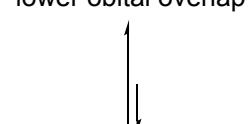
**2-18-A**



greater orbital overlap (fast)



lower orbital overlap



lower orbital overlap

**2-18-D**

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