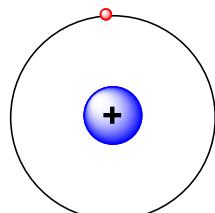


Kinetic Isotope Effects for Mechanism Elucidation and Total Synthesis

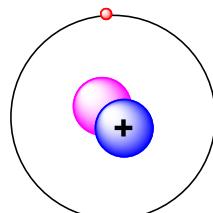
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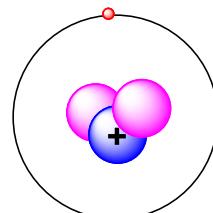
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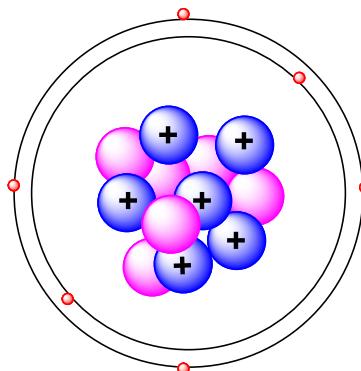
Hydrogen
 ^1H



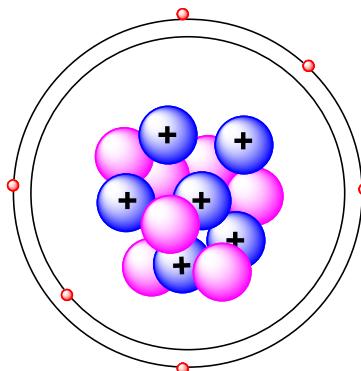
Deuterium
 ^2H



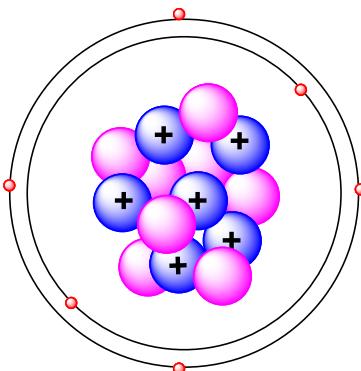
Tritium
 ^3H



Carbon
 ^{12}C



Carbon
 ^{13}C



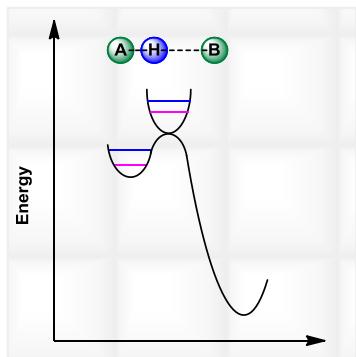
Carbon
 ^{14}C

Same number of protons and electrons
Same chemical properties
≠ number of neutrons
≠ atomic mass

A Useful Object



**NMR
Analysis**



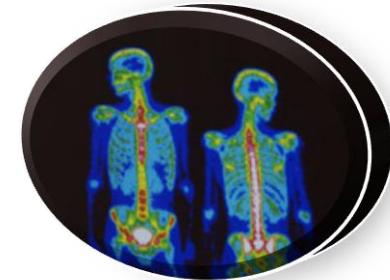
**Reaction
Mechanism**



Nuclear Field



**Organic
Datation**



**Medical
Imagery**



**Organic
Synthesis**

An Old Story

- 1919 - *Francis W. Aston discovered isotopes
Nobel Prize of Chemistry in 1922*
- 1927 - *He determined the atomic weight of hydrogen*
- 1929 - *W. F. Giauque and H. W. Johnston proved
than ordinary oxygen contained ^{17}O and ^{18}O*
- 1932 - *H. C. Urey reported the existence of heavy
hydrogen which he named deuterium and
heavy water (D_2O) - Then, he described the
enrichment of D in water by electrolysis
Nobel Prize of Chemistry in 1934*
- 1933 - *G. N. Lewis and R. T. MacDonald reported
the isolation of a small quantity of heavy
water by distillation*
- 1934 - *More than 200 papers described the use,
isolation and properties of deuterium.*

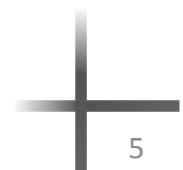




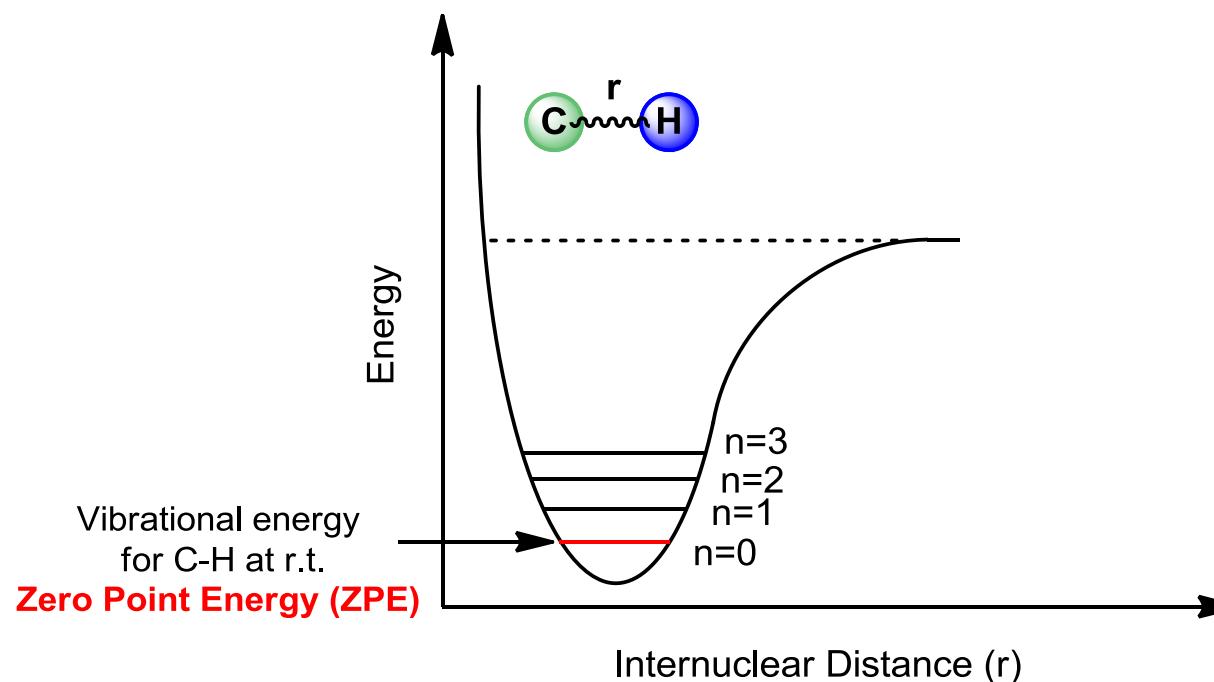
Isotope Effects : Theoretical Approach

And

Use in Mechanism Explorations



Isotope Effect : a Physical Origin

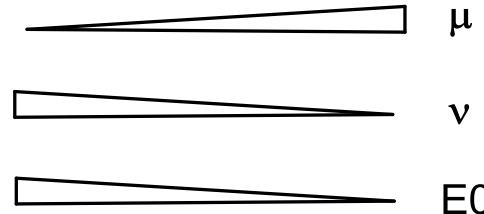


Harmonic oscillator approximation

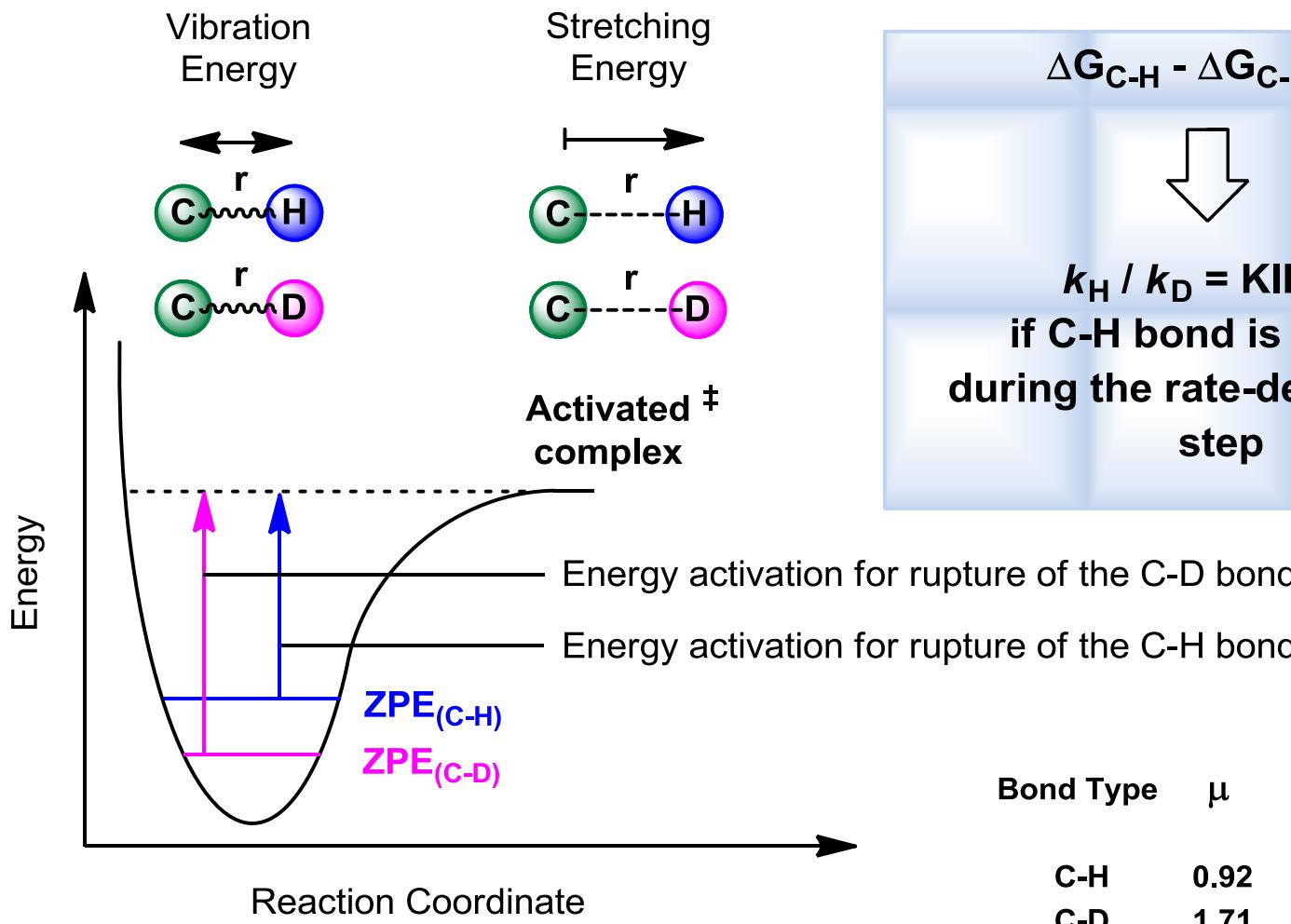
$$E_n = (n - 1) \cdot h\nu$$

$$\nu = \frac{1}{2\pi \cdot c} \sqrt{\frac{k}{\mu}}$$

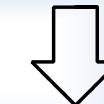
$$\mu = \frac{m_1 \cdot m_2}{m_1 + m_2}$$



The Eyring Theory of Absolute Rates



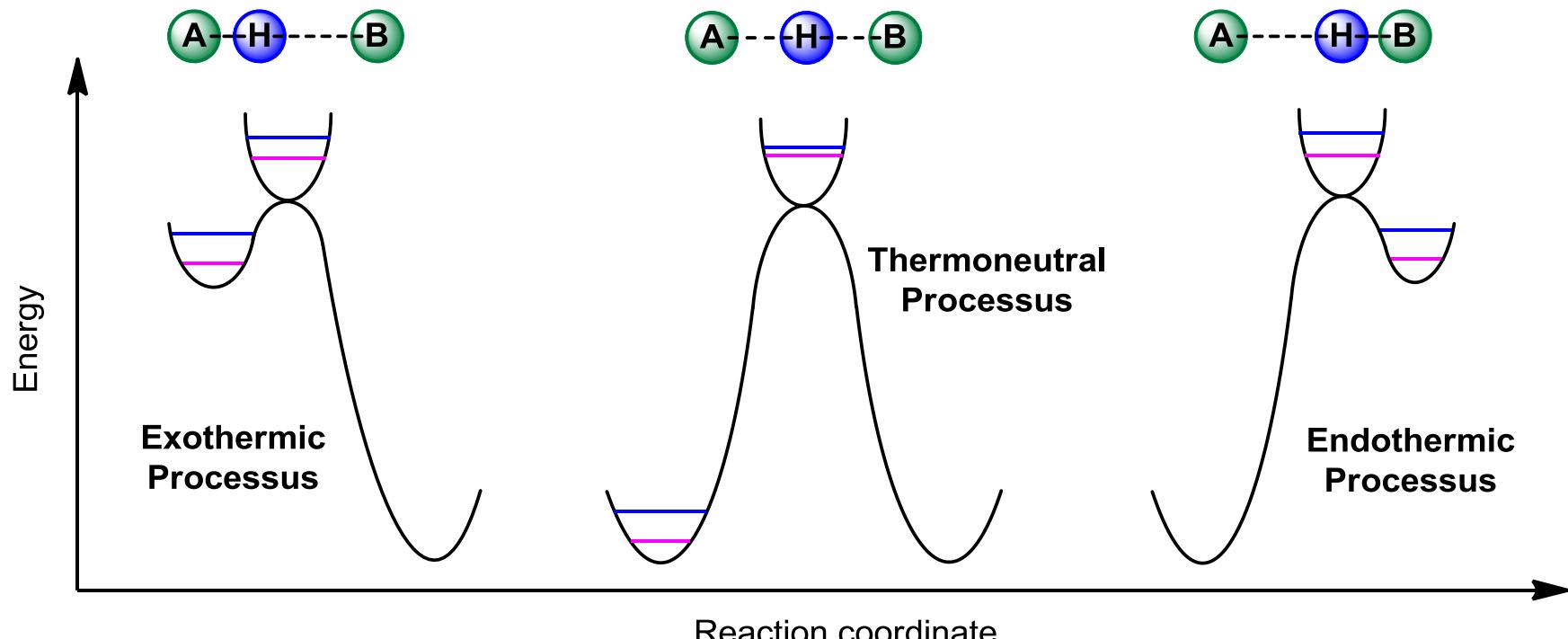
$$\Delta G_{C-H} - \Delta G_{C-D} > 0$$



$k_H / k_D = KIE \sim 7$
if C-H bond is broken
during the rate-determining
step

Bond Type	μ	ZPE (kcal.mol ⁻¹)
C-H	0.92	4.15
C-D	1.71	3.00

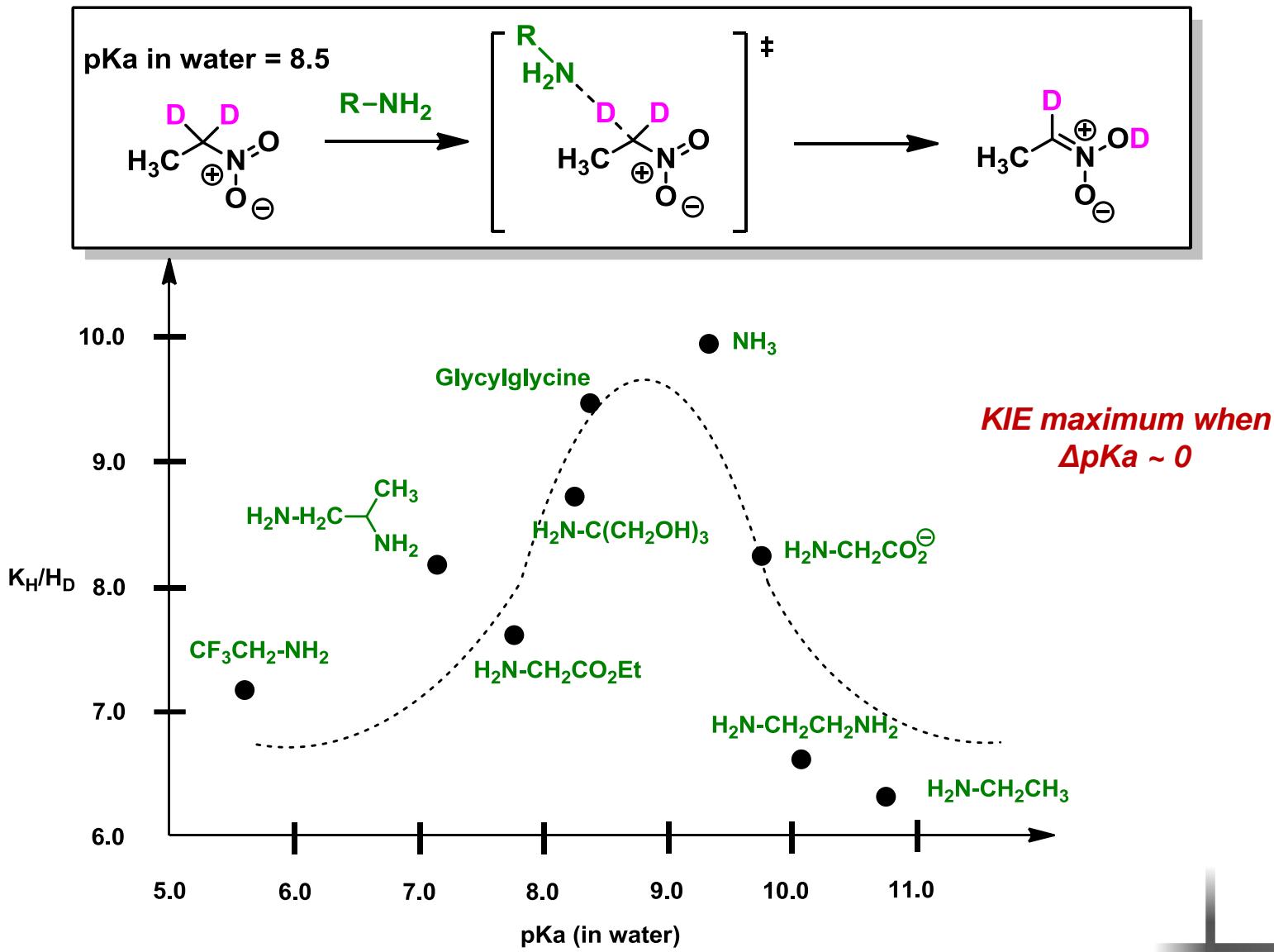
The Westheimer Model - Hammond Postulate



$$\Delta\Delta ZPE = \Delta ZPE_{C-H} - \Delta ZPE_{C-D}$$

Maximal KIE with symmetrical T.S.

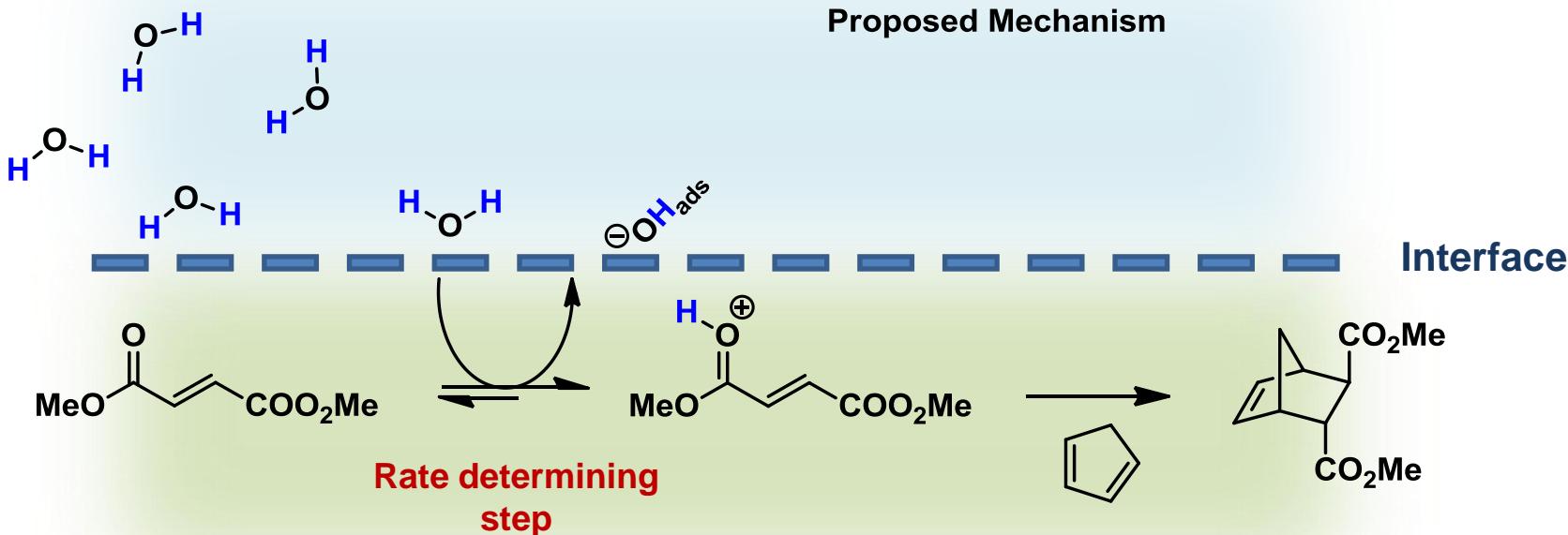
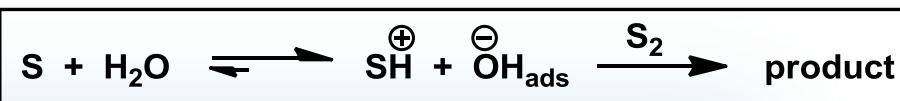
Kinetic Isotope Effects Onto Acidity



Solvent Kinetic Isotope Effects

« On-water » chemistry :

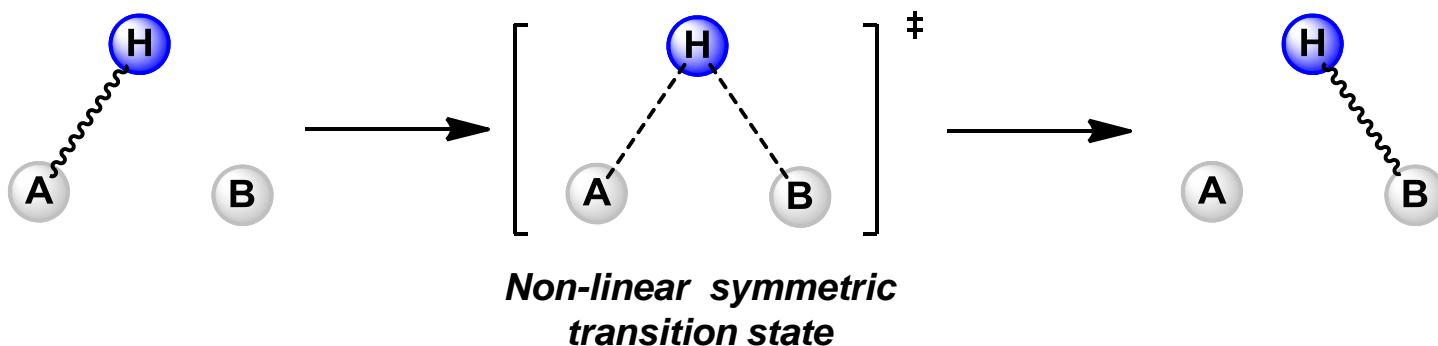
- ✓ Reaction mixture must be heterogeneous
- ✓ Interface must be with aqueous phase
- ✓ Reaction catalyzed on-water also catalyzed by H⁺
- ✓ Solvent isotope effect – Slower rate with D₂O



Up to twice faster than in THF or DCM

KIE = 1.4 with D₂O

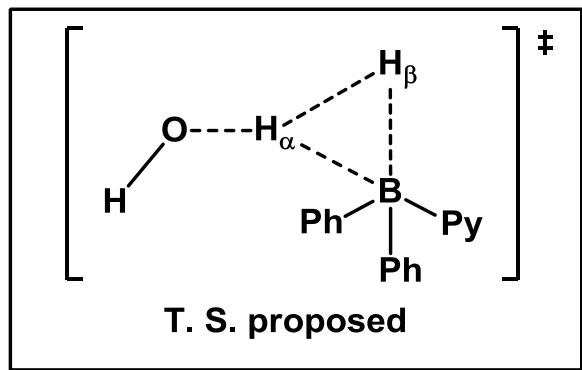
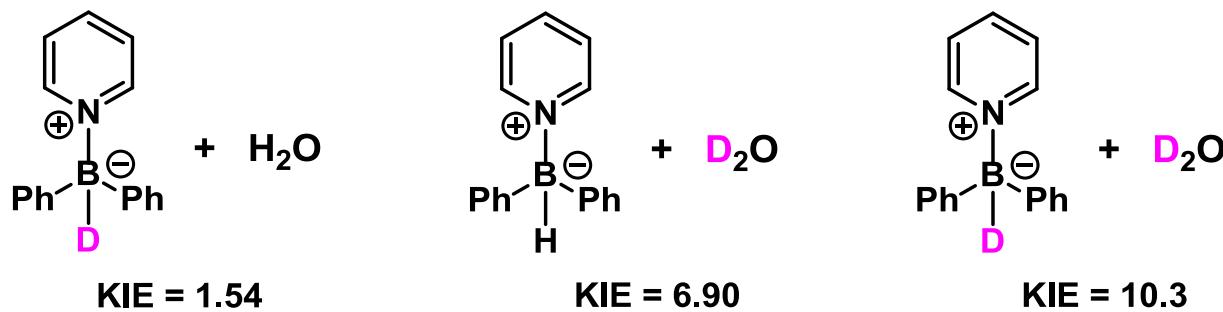
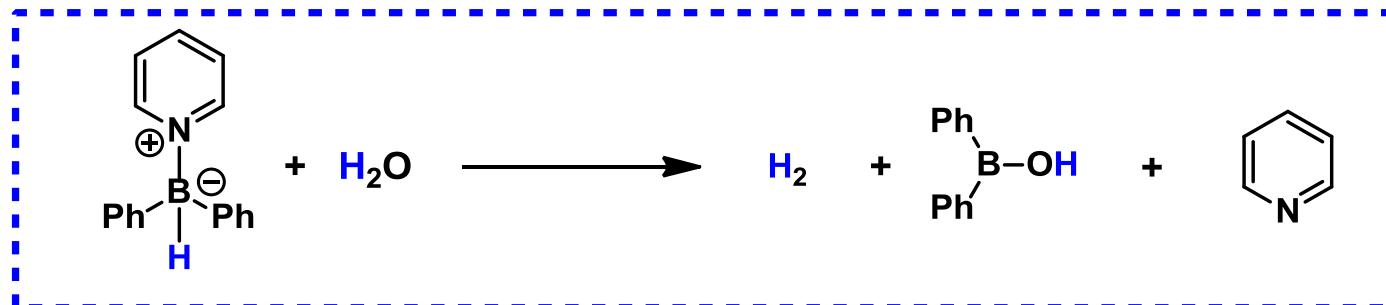
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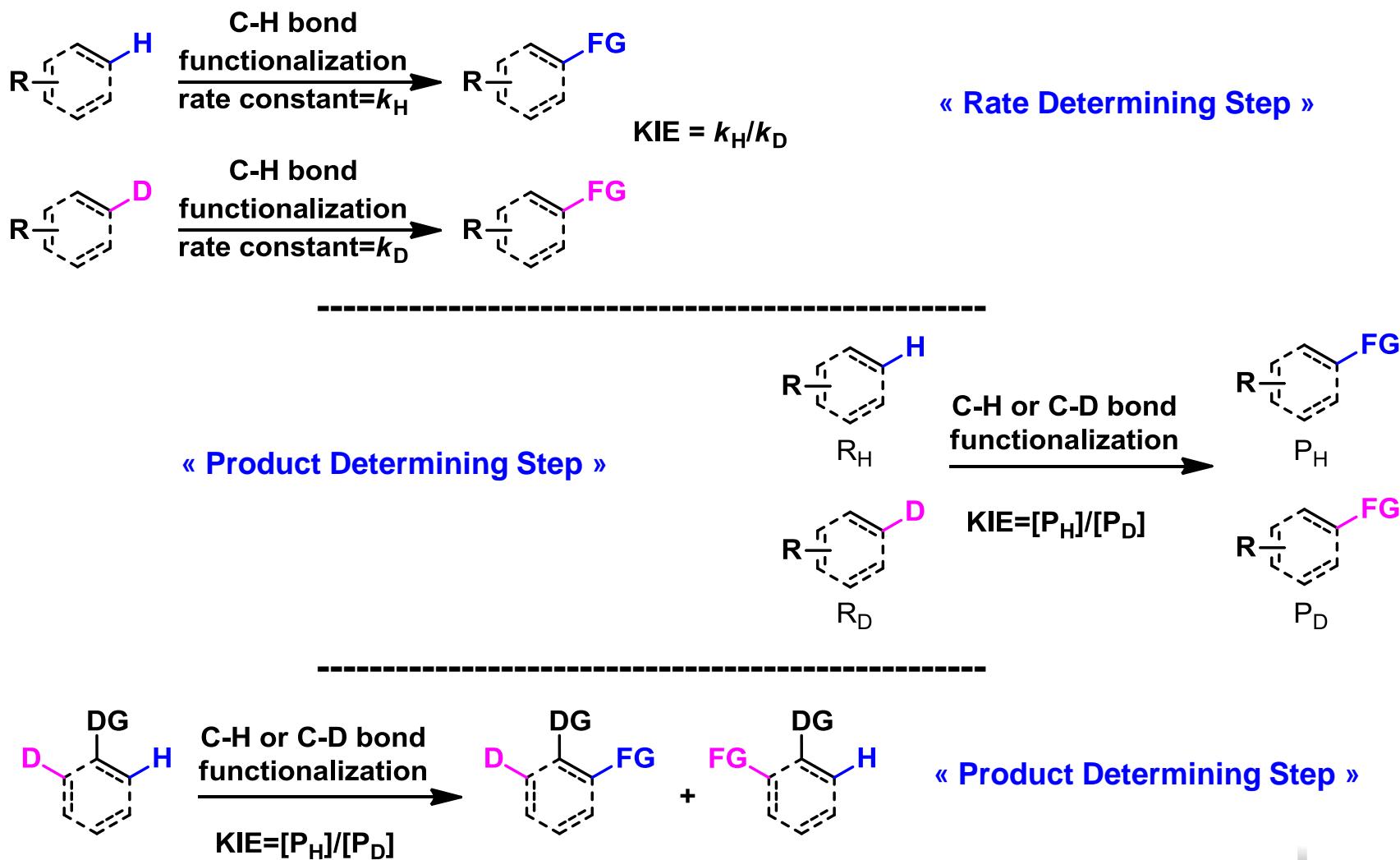
*Major distortion
of the bond going to
The T.S.*

*Bending vibrational are energetically lower than stretching
vibrational modes → KIE less important ~ 1.5 to 4.5*

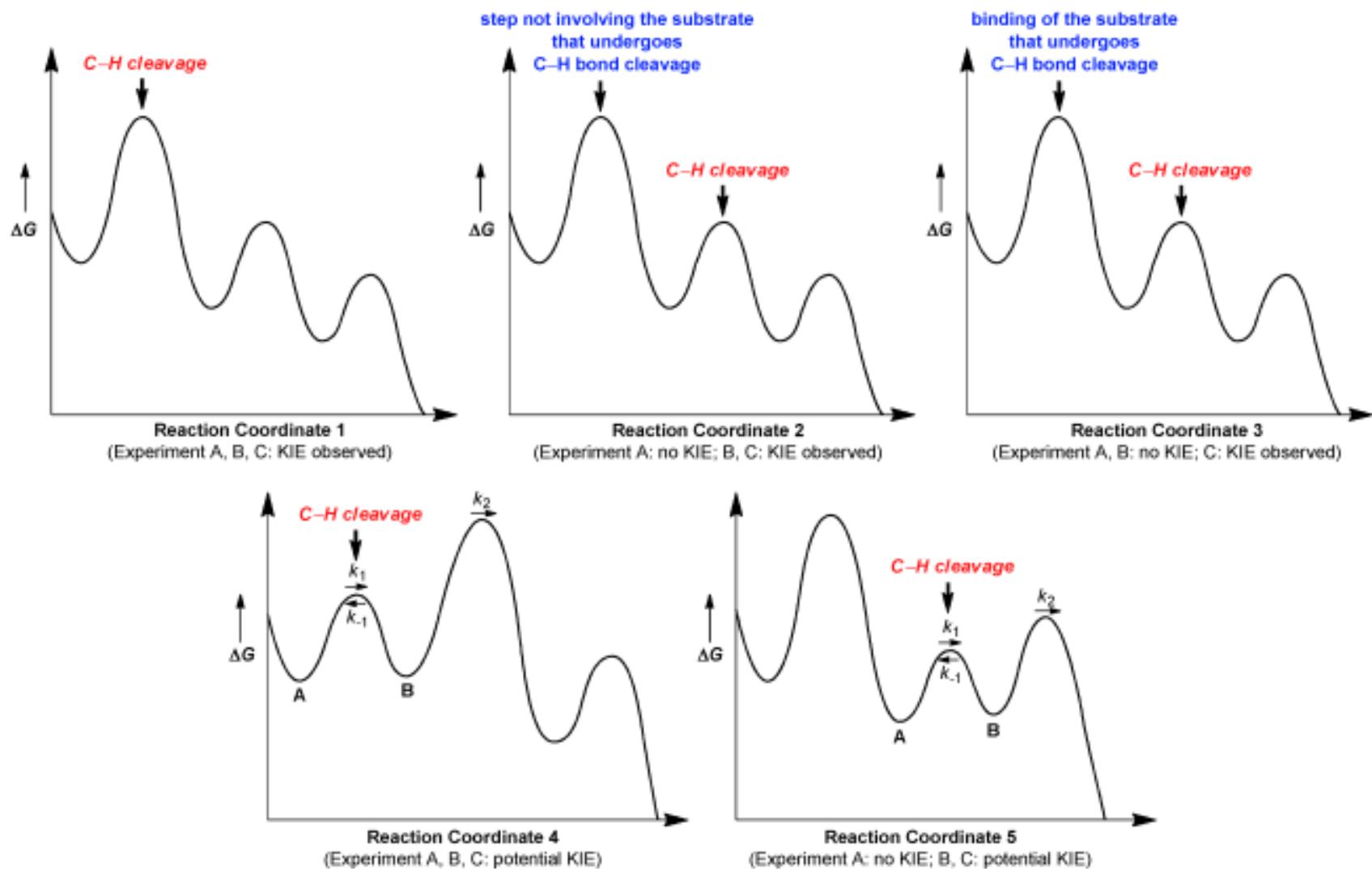
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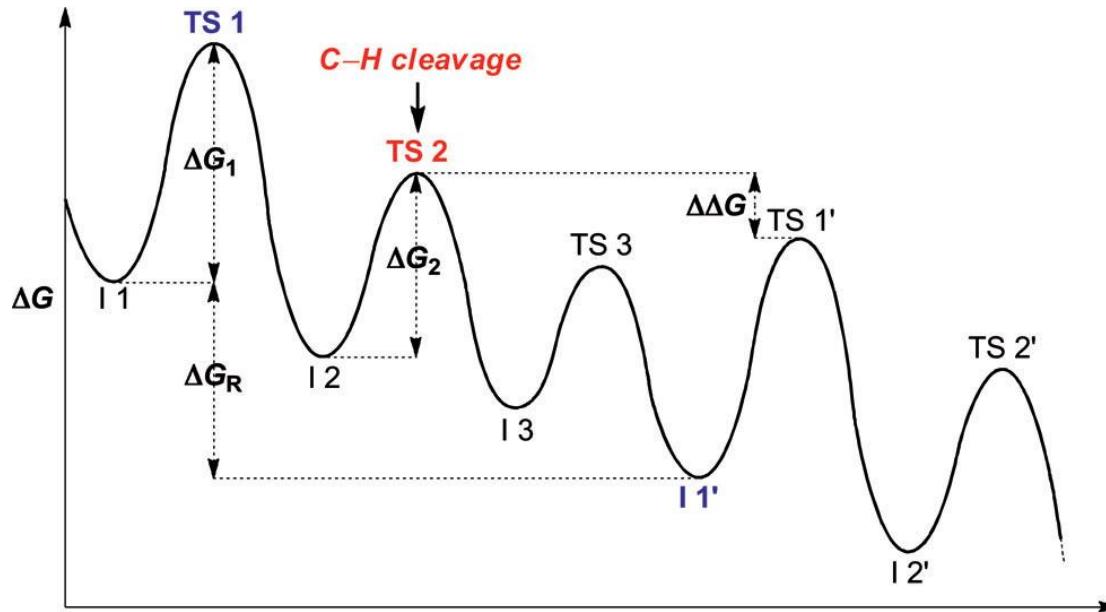
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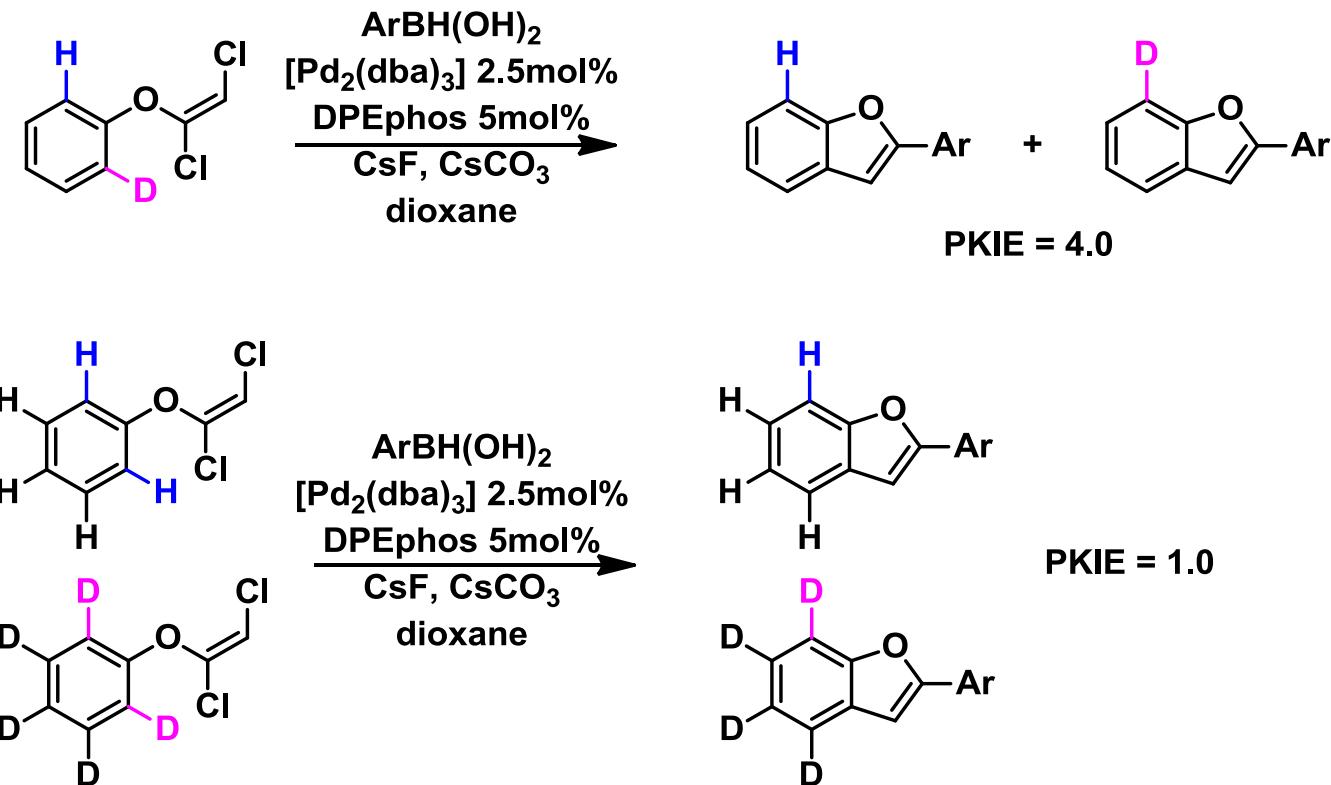


PKIE in Catalyzed C-H Bond Functionalizations



Complexity in catalytic reaction

PKIE in Catalyzed C-H Bond Functionalizations



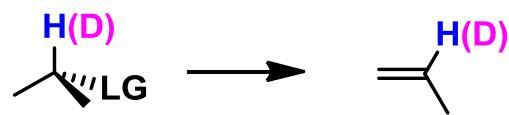
C-H bond cleavage not occurs during the « turn-over determining step »
but is the product determining step – In fact TDS is the oxidative addition
of the C-Cl bond

Secondary Kinetic Isotope Effects

Normal SKIE

Hybridization changing onto α position

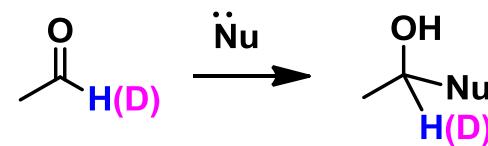
- Decreasing of p character
- $sp^3 \rightarrow sp^2 \rightarrow sp$



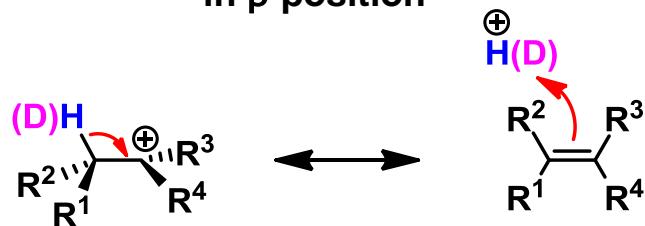
Inverse SKIE

Hybridization changing onto α position

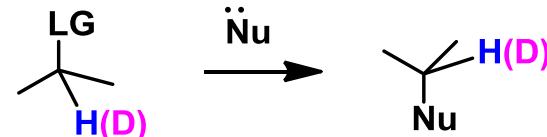
- Increasing of p character
- $sp \rightarrow sp^2 \rightarrow sp^3$



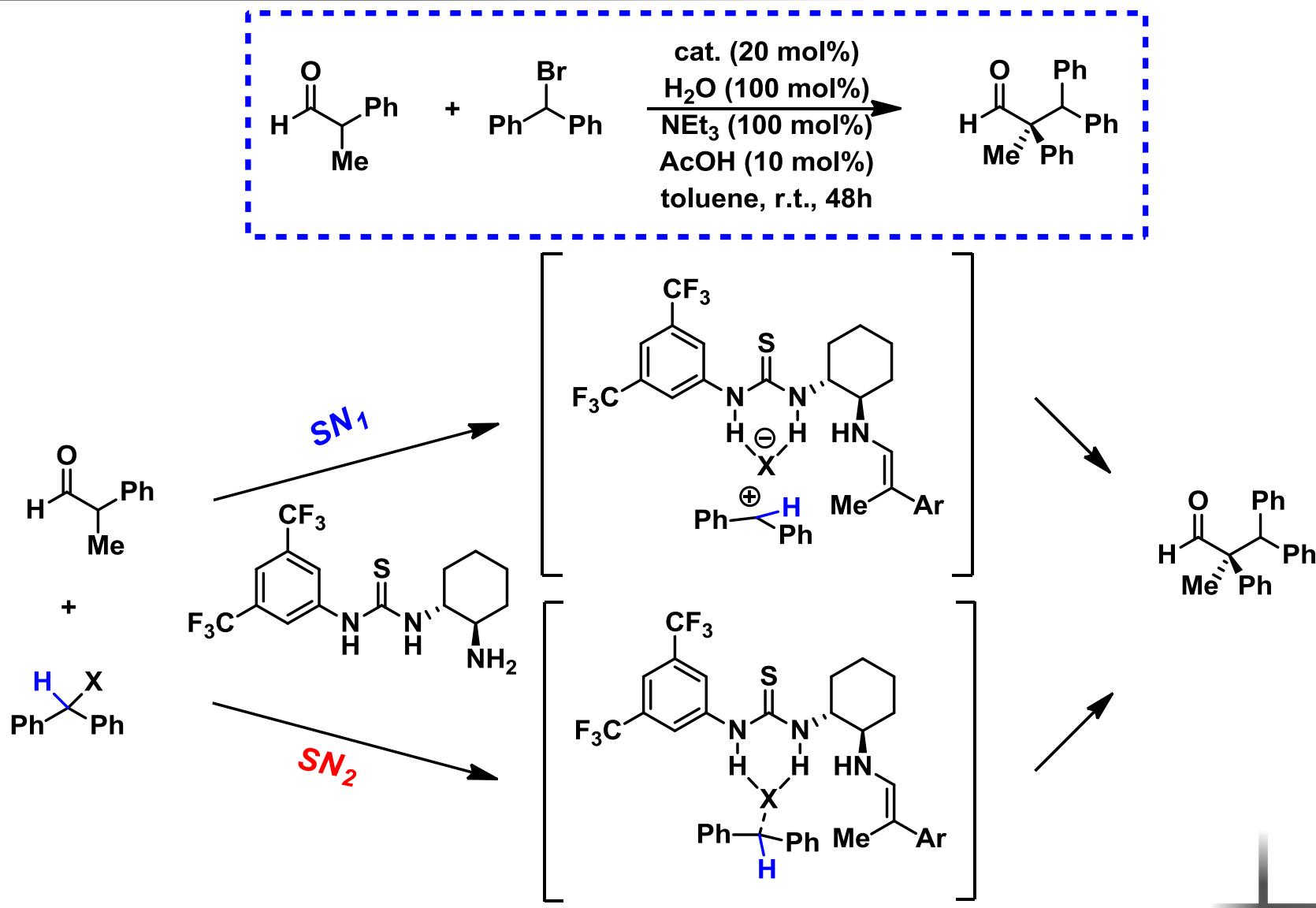
Hyperconjugation
in β position



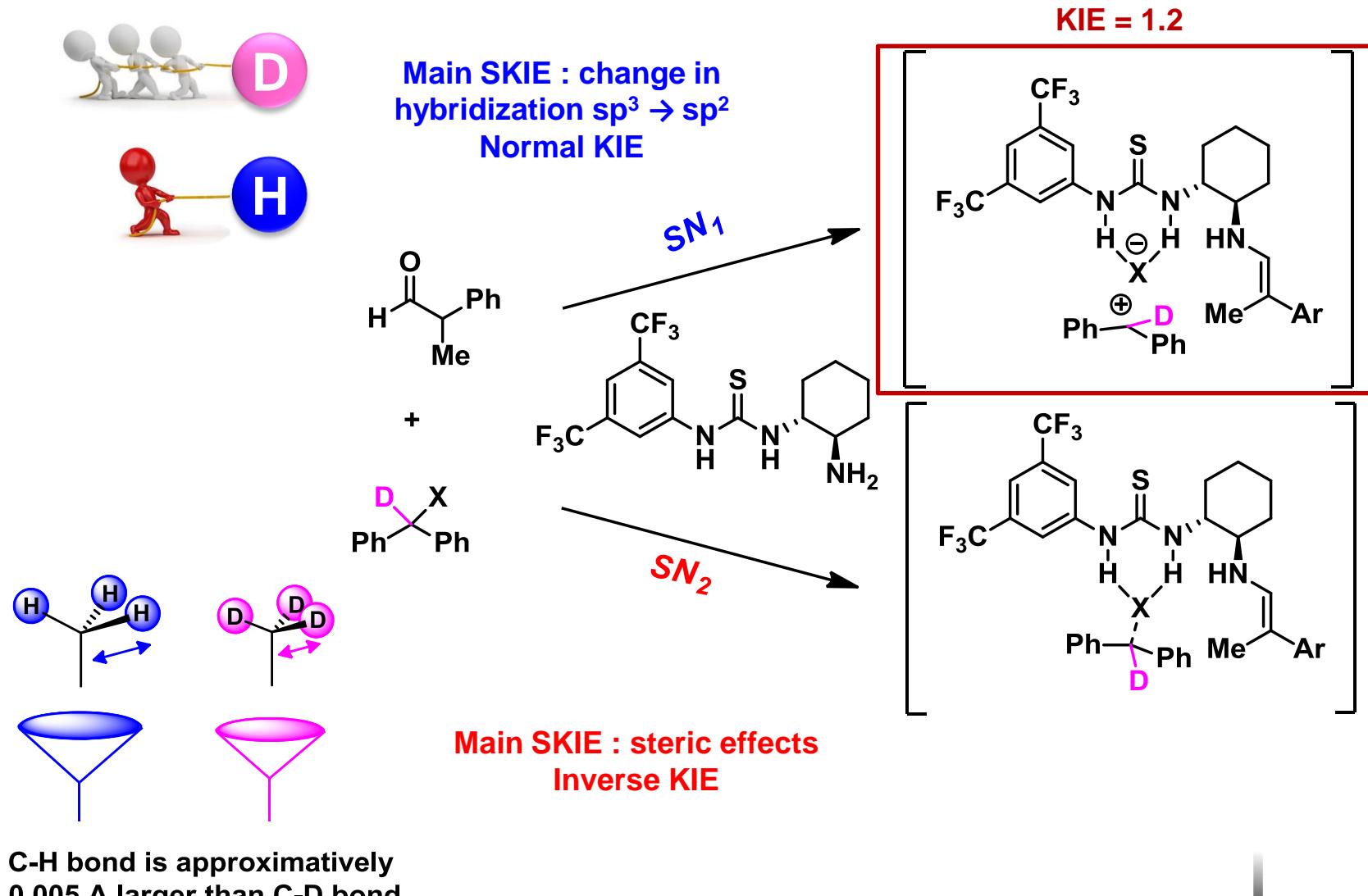
Steric effect in α , β , γ or other position



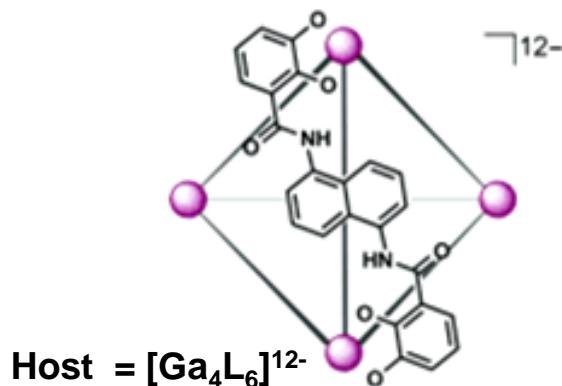
An Simple Example of Mechanism Determination



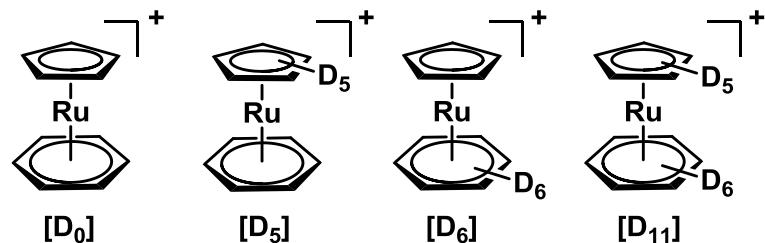
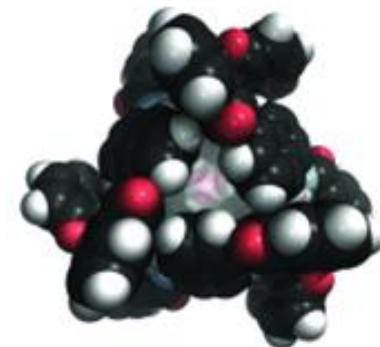
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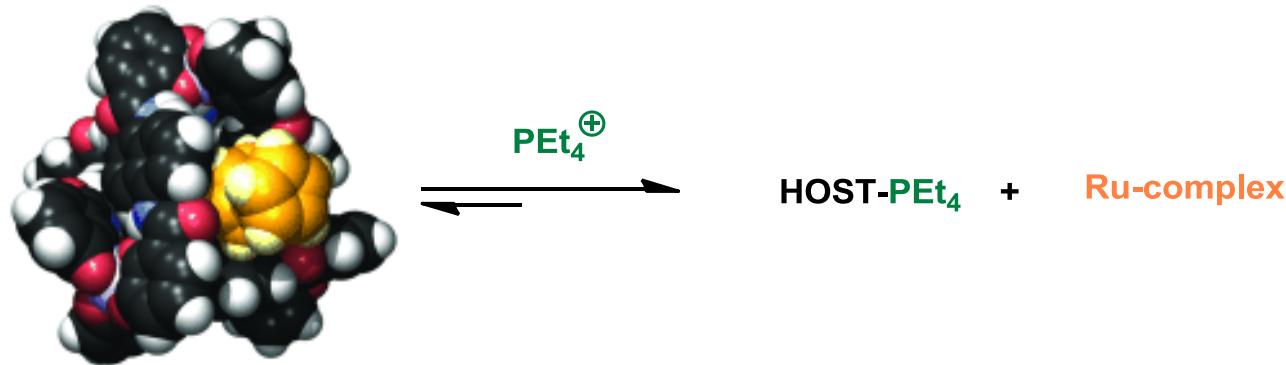
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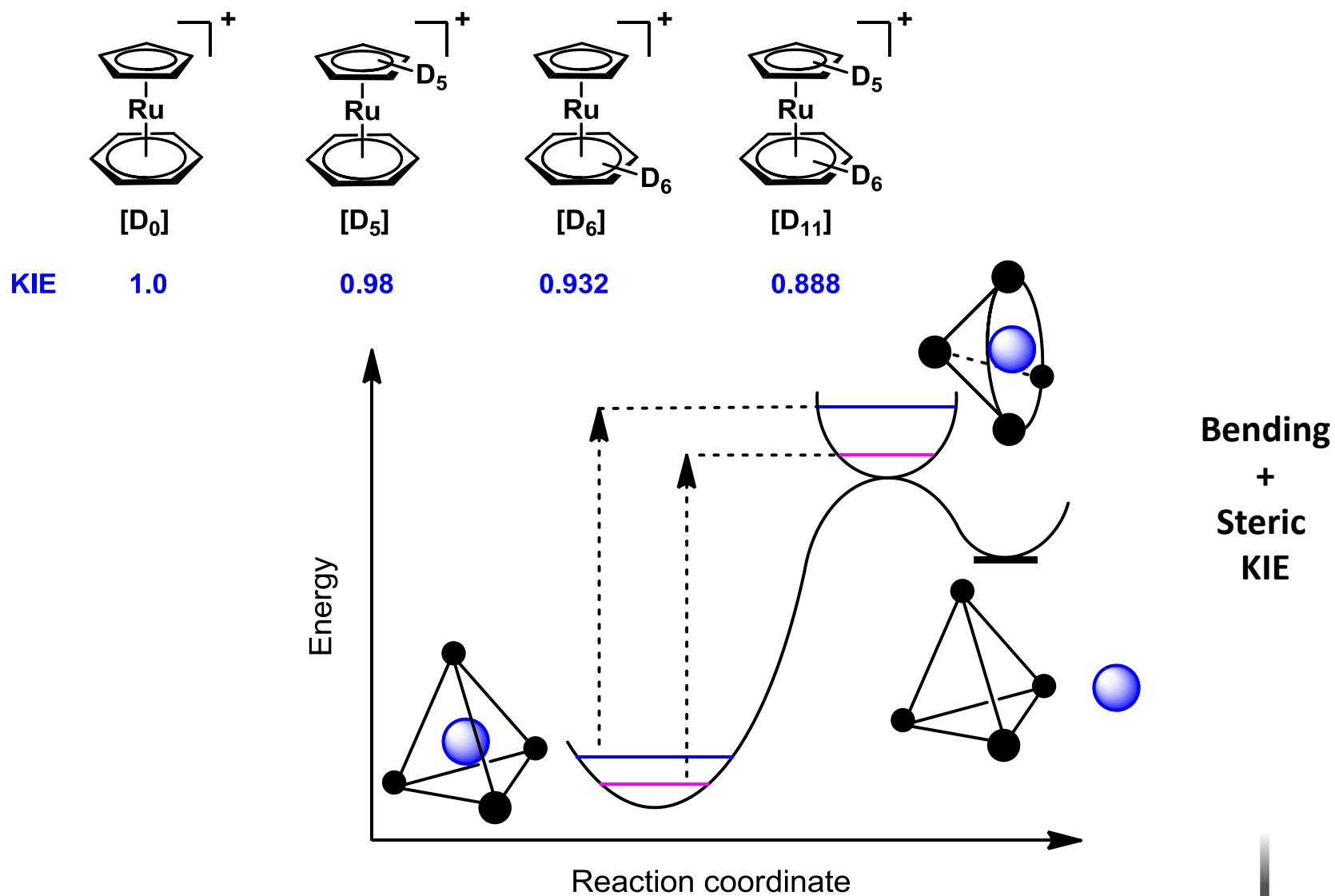
Monocationic and neutral molecule encapsulation



Guest = $\text{D}_n[\text{CpRu}(\eta^6\text{-benzene})]$



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The Singleton

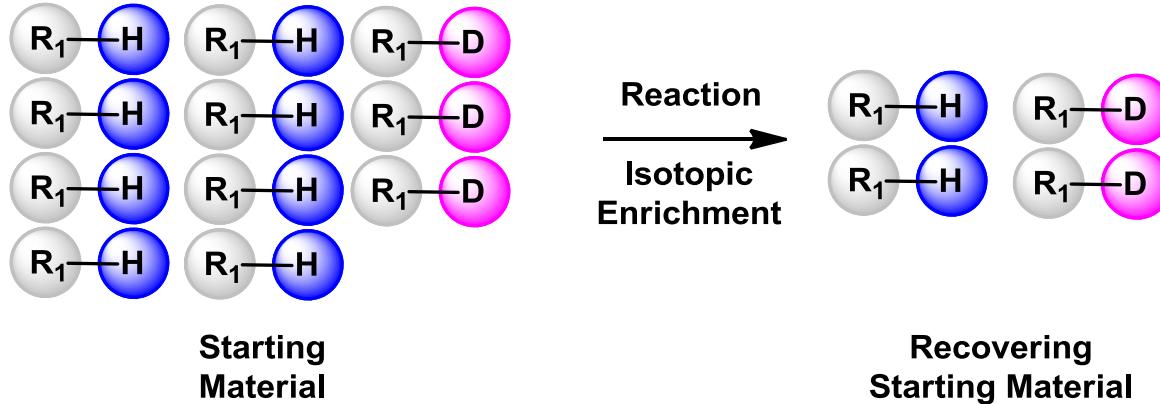
Method

The Singleton Method

- Drawbacks of the previous methods : - precision in absolute rate measurements
- difficulties for observation of small KIE
- arduous synthesis of isotopically labeled material

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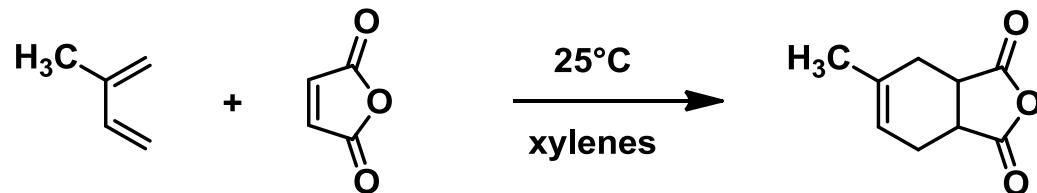
A great idea : « *as any reaction proceeds, the starting materials are fractionatively enriched in isotopically slower-reacting components* »



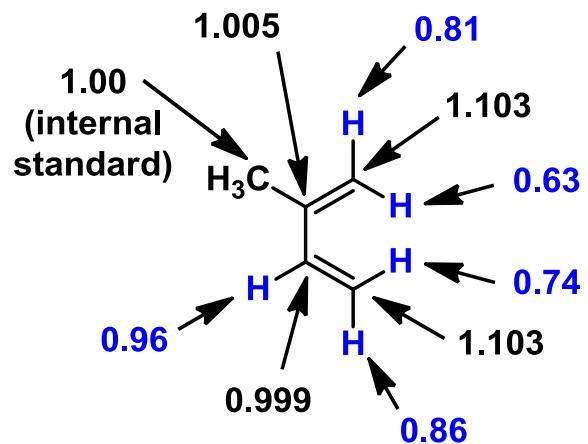
$$R/R_0 = (1 - F)^{(1/\text{KIE})-1}$$

R/R_0 , the proportion of a minor isotopic component in recovered material compared to the original starting material,
 F , the fractional conversion of reactants
KIE, relative rate for the major/minor isotopic components

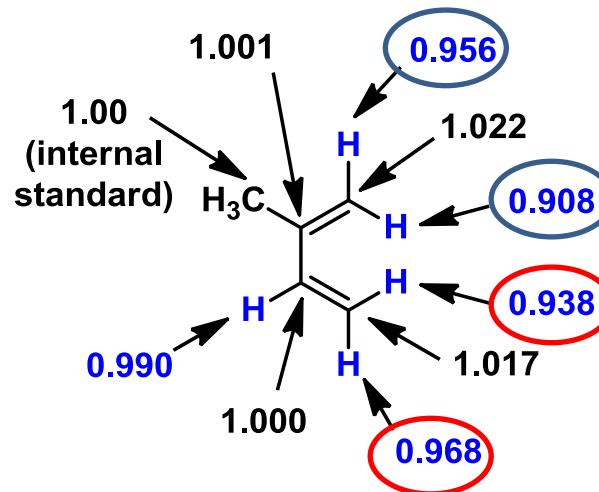
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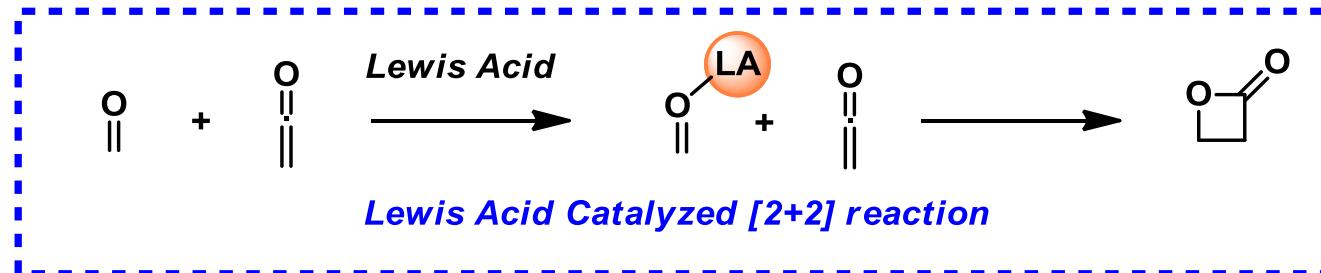
^2H and ^{13}C isotopic composition
of isoprene recovered from a reaction
to 98.9% completion



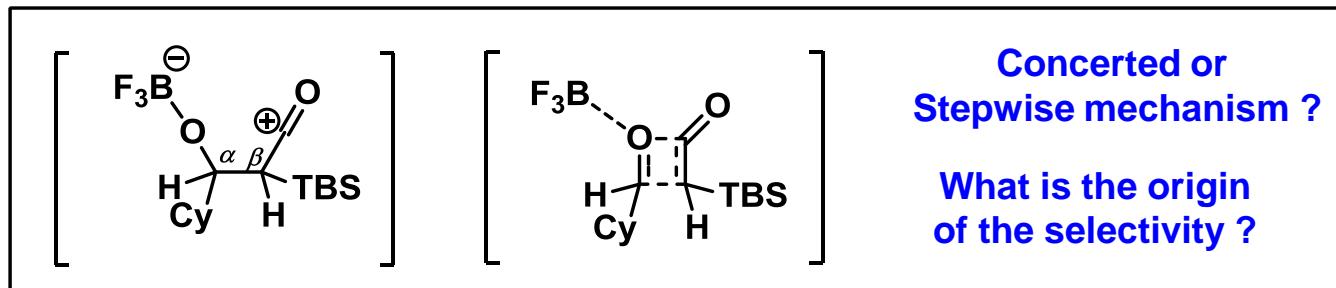
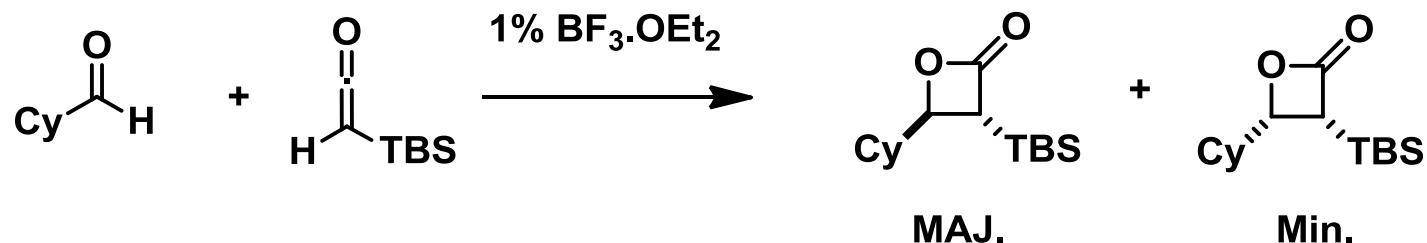
^2H and ^{13}C calculated from
the equation above

Quick obtention of highly detailed KIE informations employing routine instruments

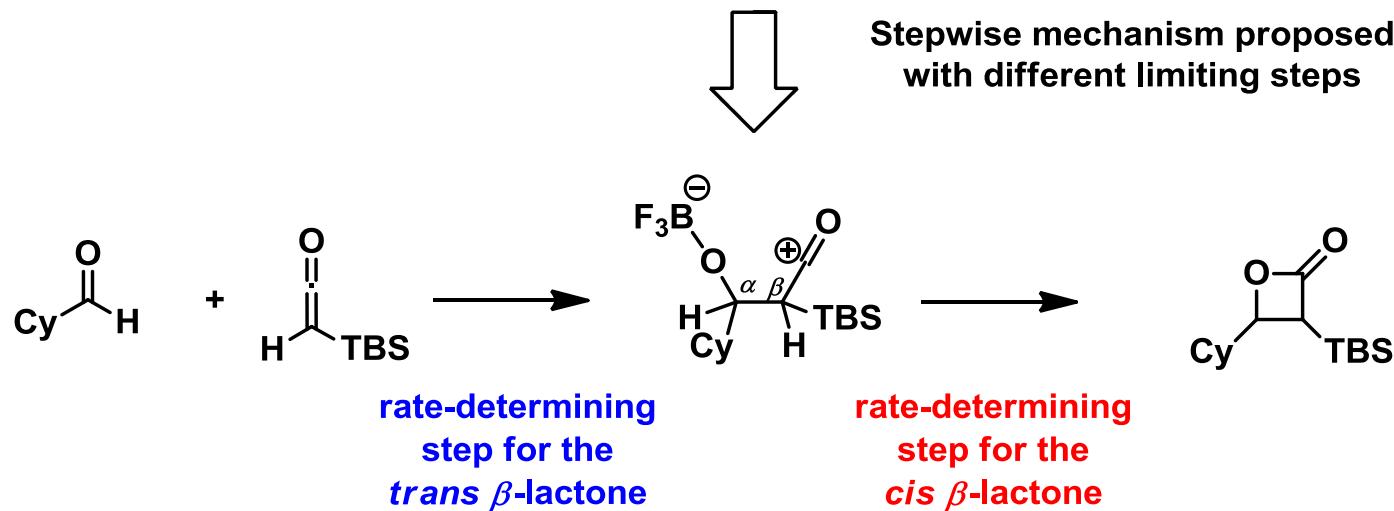
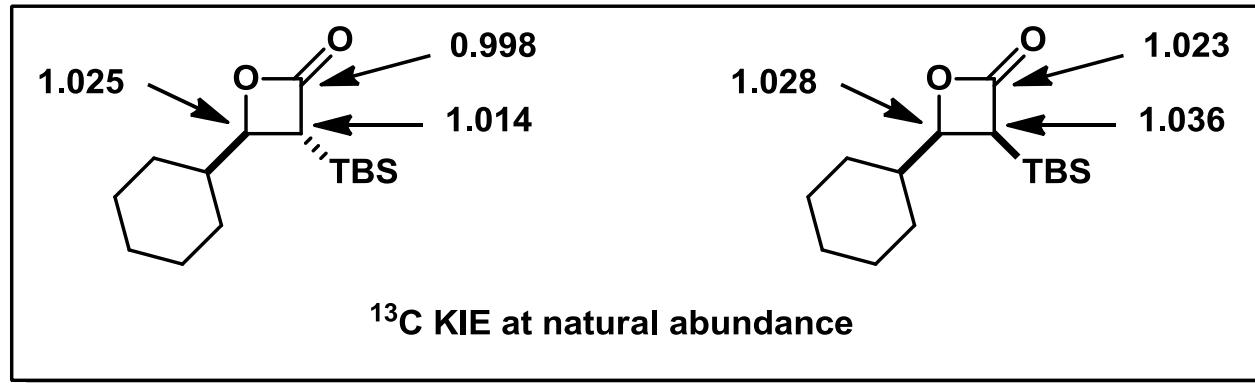
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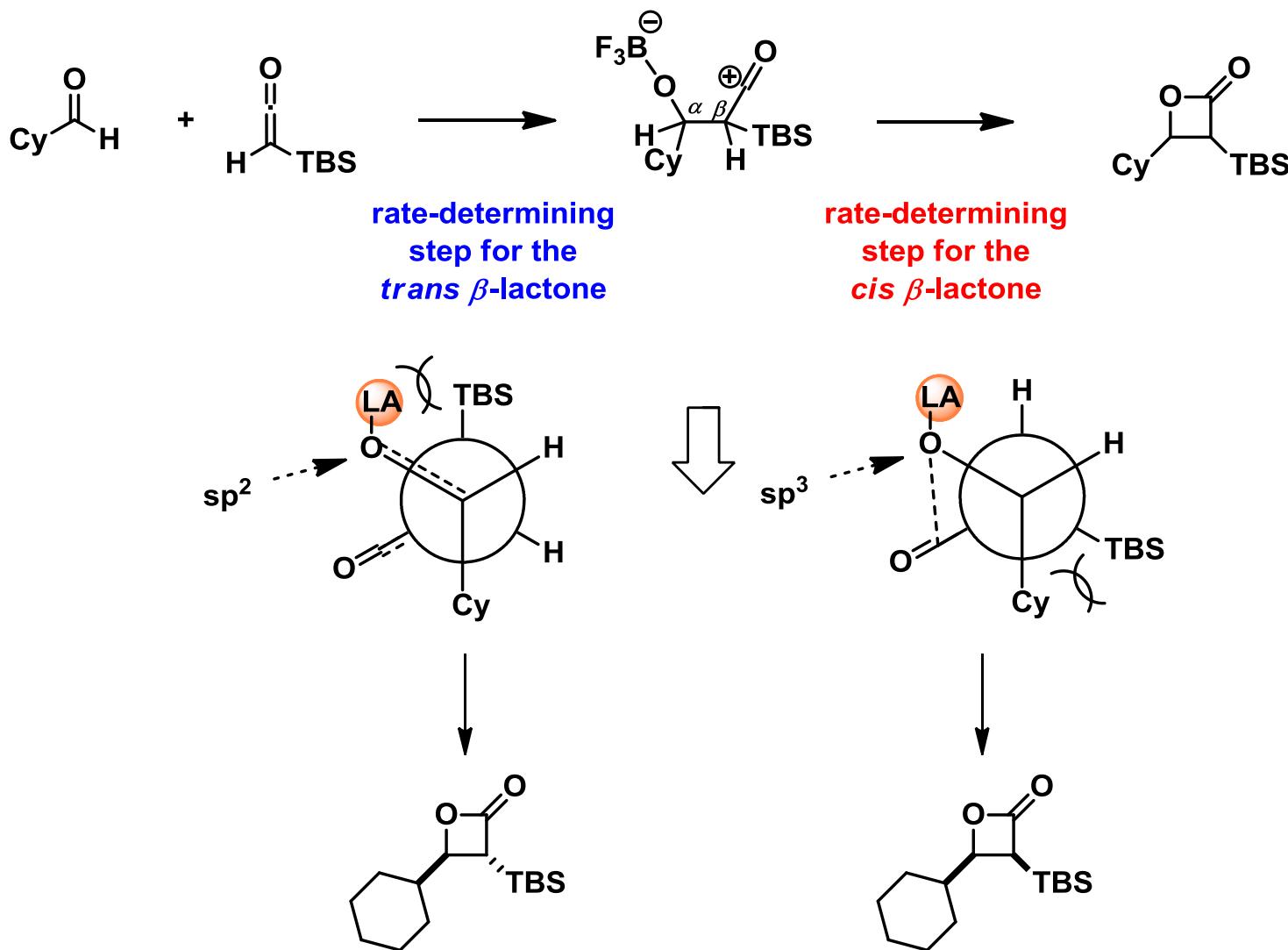
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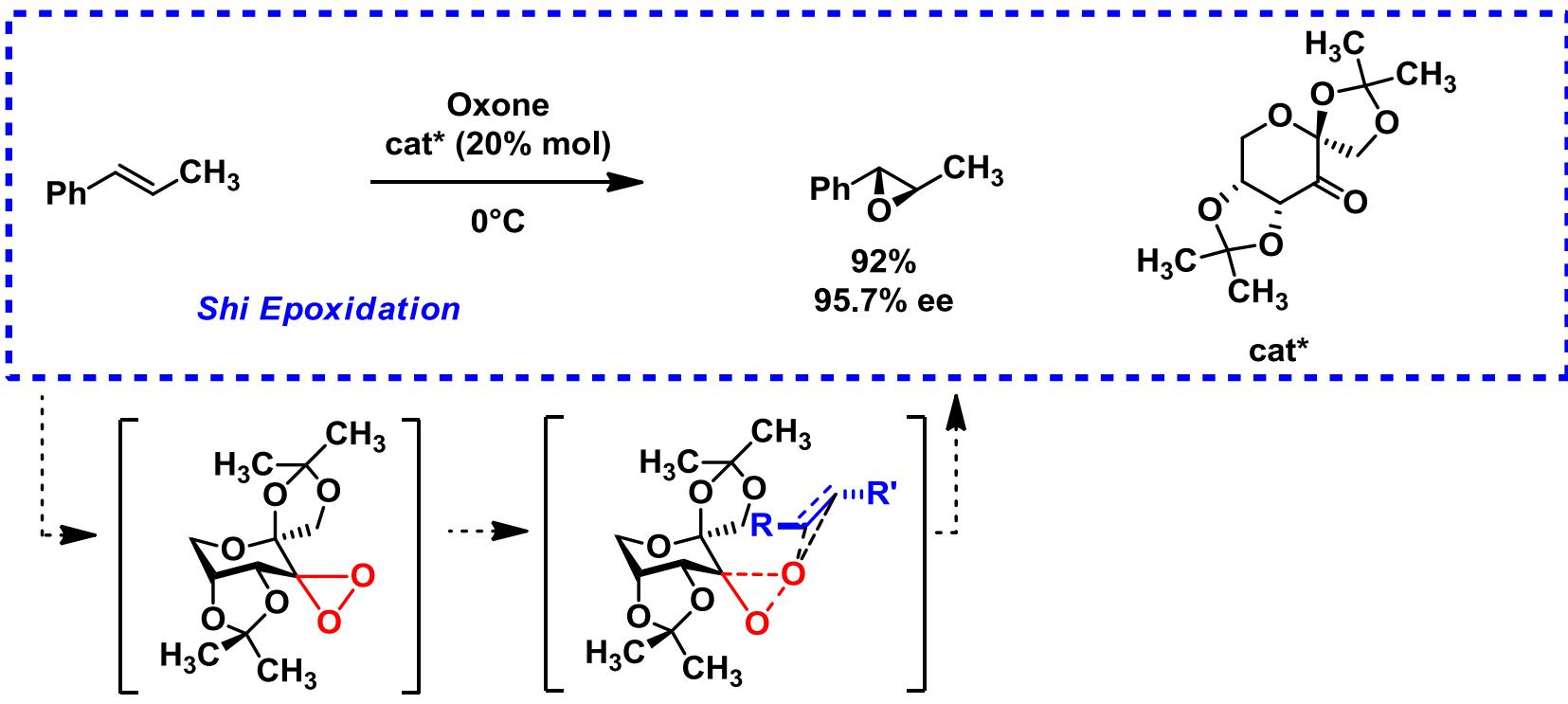
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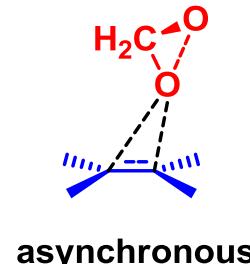
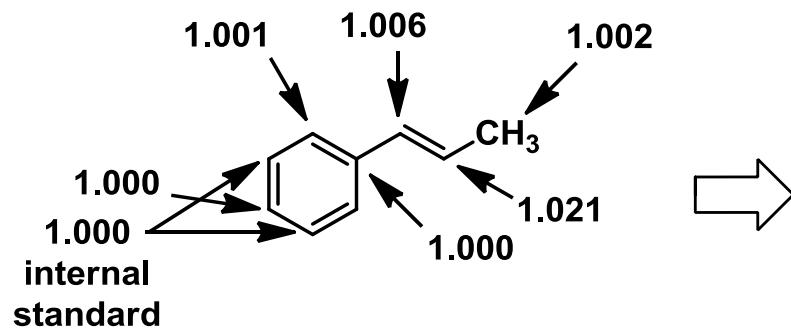


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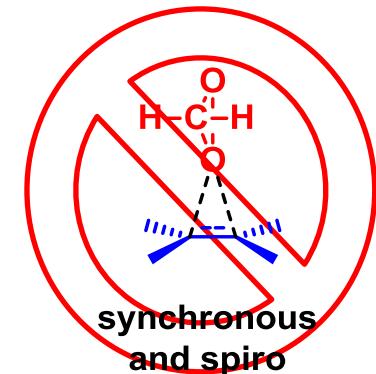


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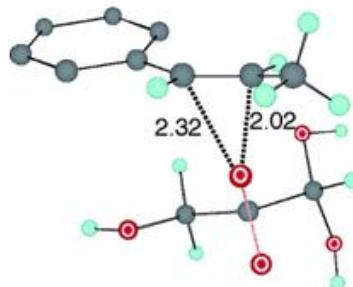
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asynchronous

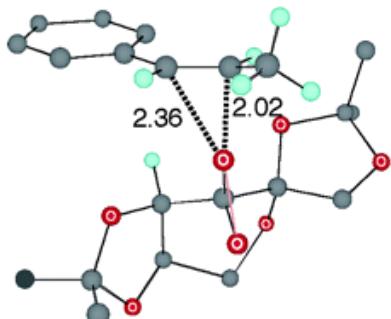


synchronous
and spiro

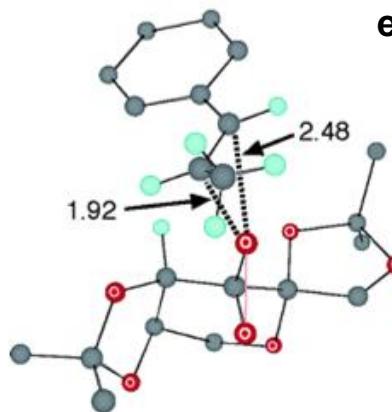


« Natural » asynchronicity
non-hindered catalyst

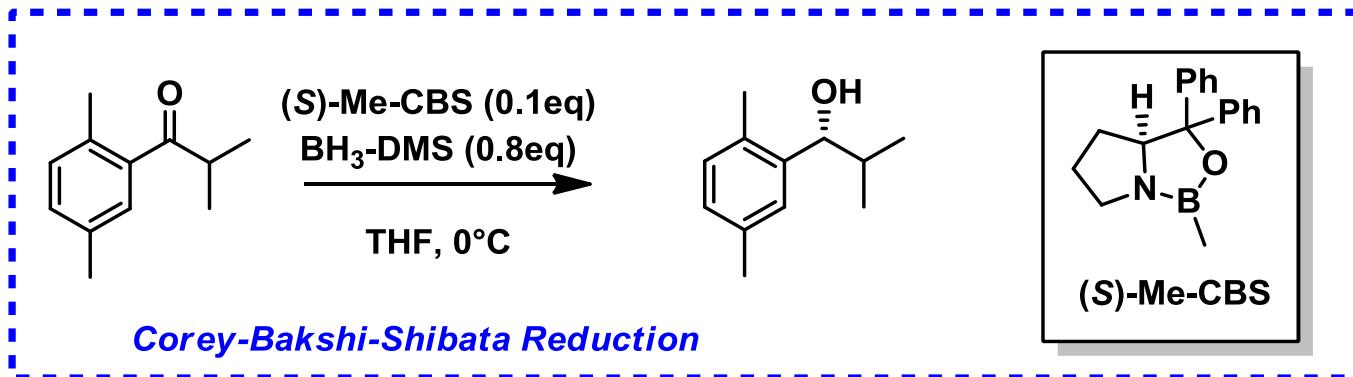
T.S. for the favor
enantiomer



T.S. for the disfavor
enantiomer



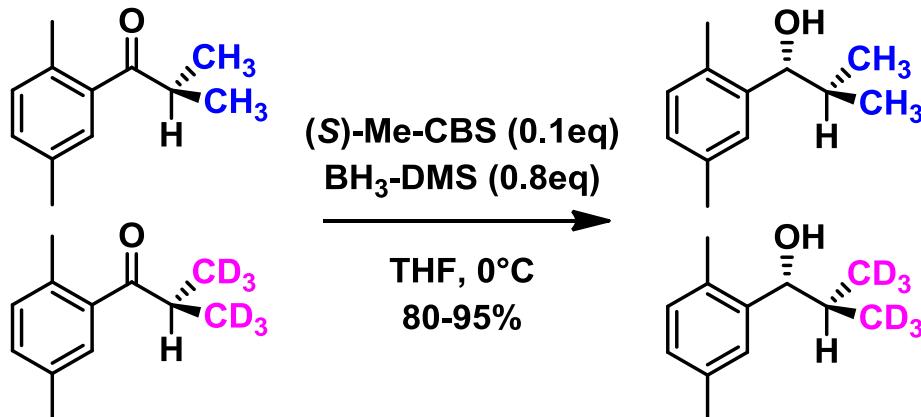
Deuteration of Enantiotopic Position



Origin of Stereoselectivity ??

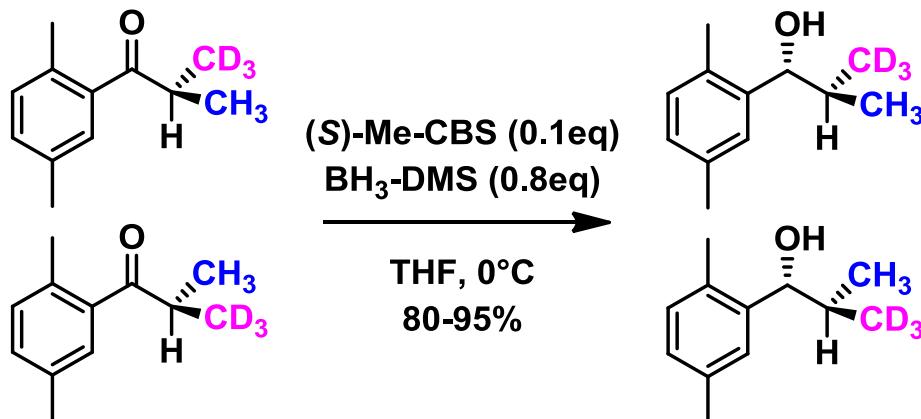
« In asymmetric reactions, the symmetry element that makes these prochiral groups chemically equivalent is broken in a deterministic way in the transition state »

Deuteration of Enantiotopic Position



A

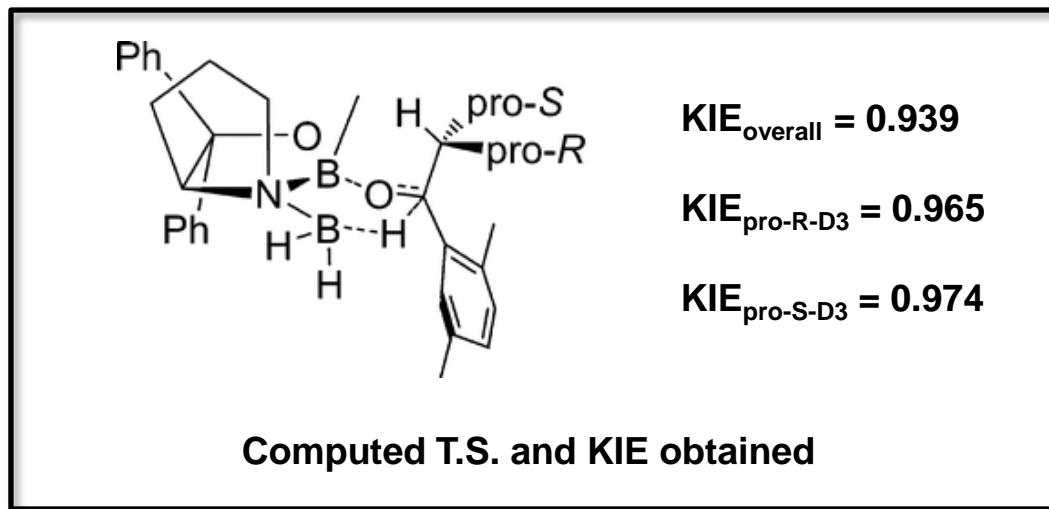
Measurement of the overall KIE resulting from ^2H -substitution upon the enantiotopic group



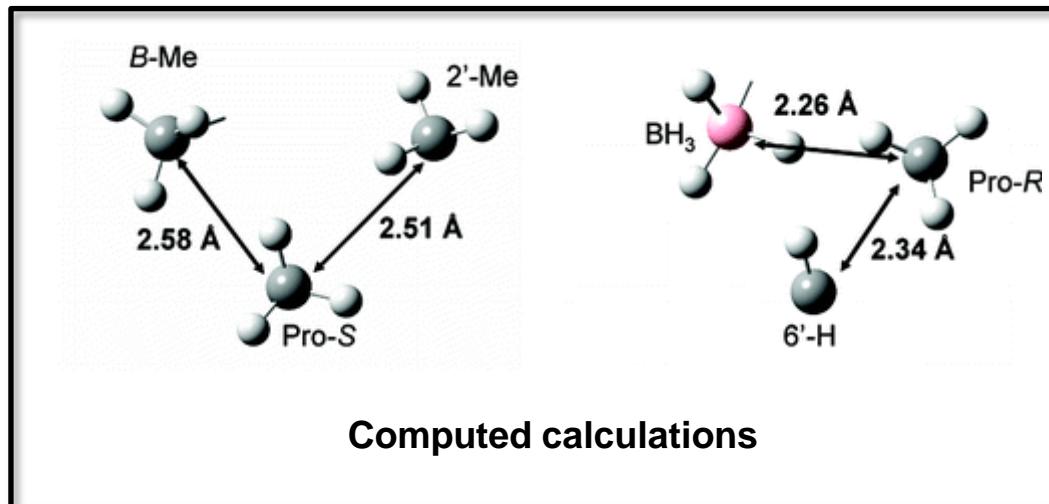
B

Measurement of the ration of KIE resulting from each deuterated enantiotopic group
- Unreacted starting material is reduced with (S) -Me-CBS

Deuteration of Enantiotopic Position



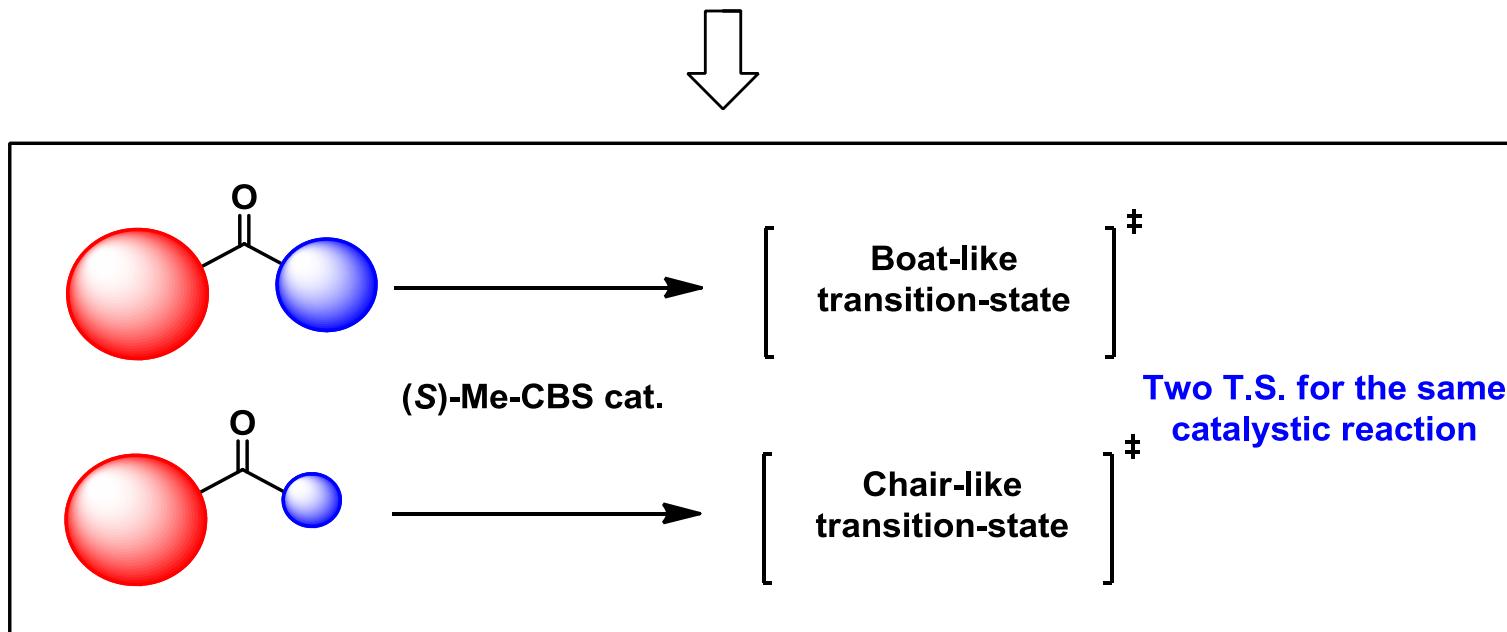
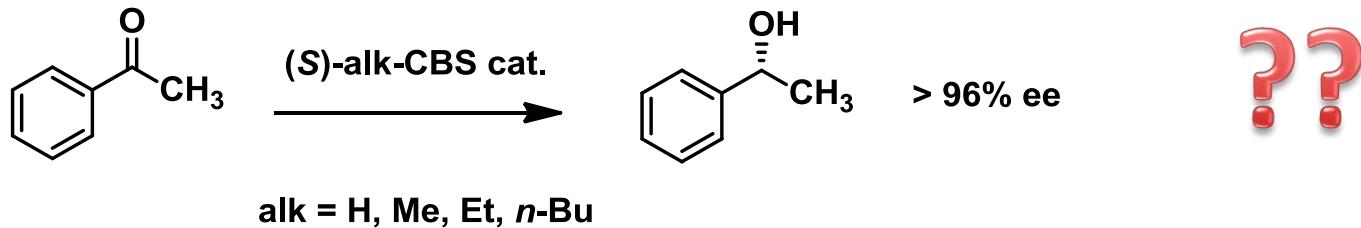
Boat-like T.S.
favoured



A single close proximity between
CBS cat. and the prochiral
substrate
(B-Me and pro-S)

The Singleton method

For acetophenone, enantioselectivity is not *B*-alkyl hindrance-dependant :

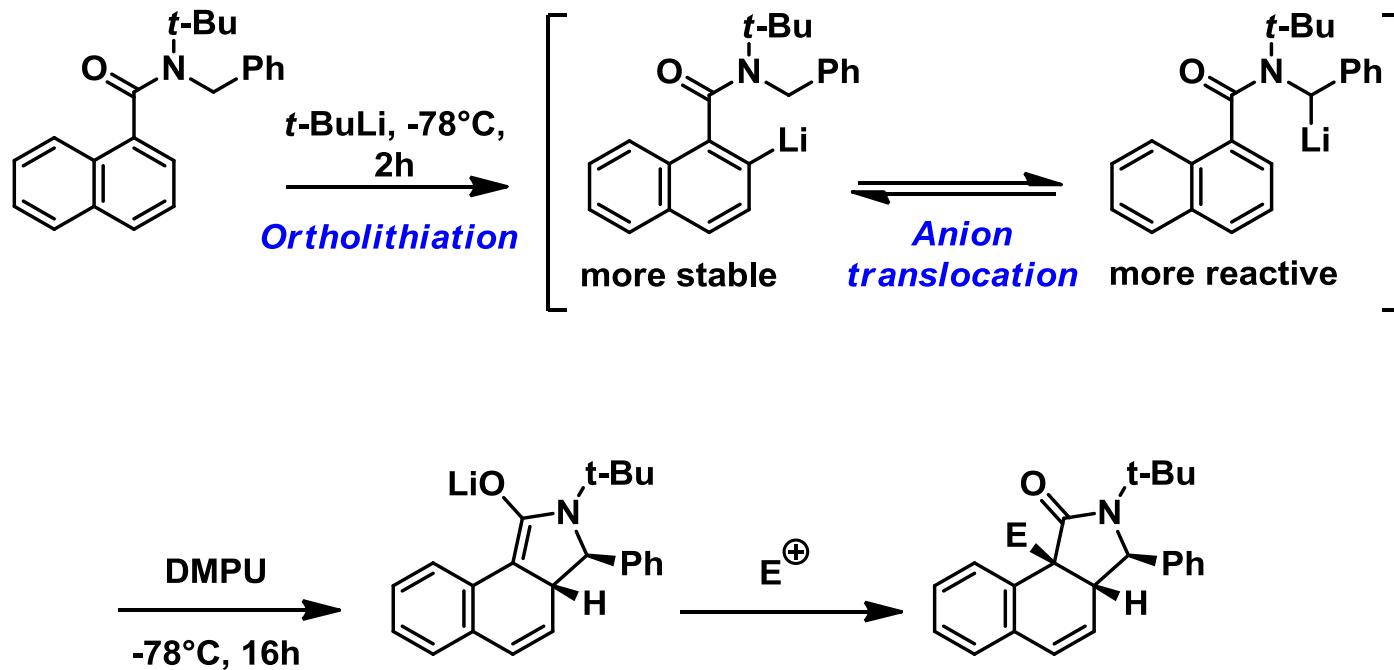


Isotopes in Organic Synthesis :

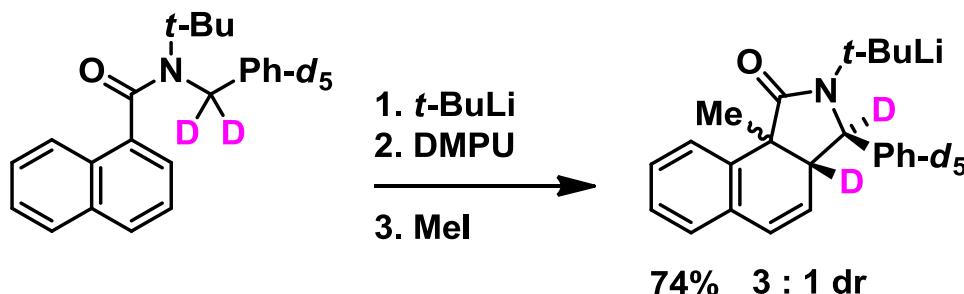
An Efficient

Directing and Protecting Group

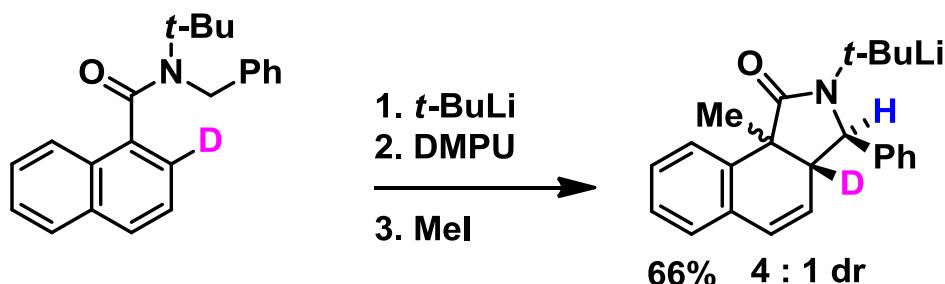
Deuterium as Directing Group



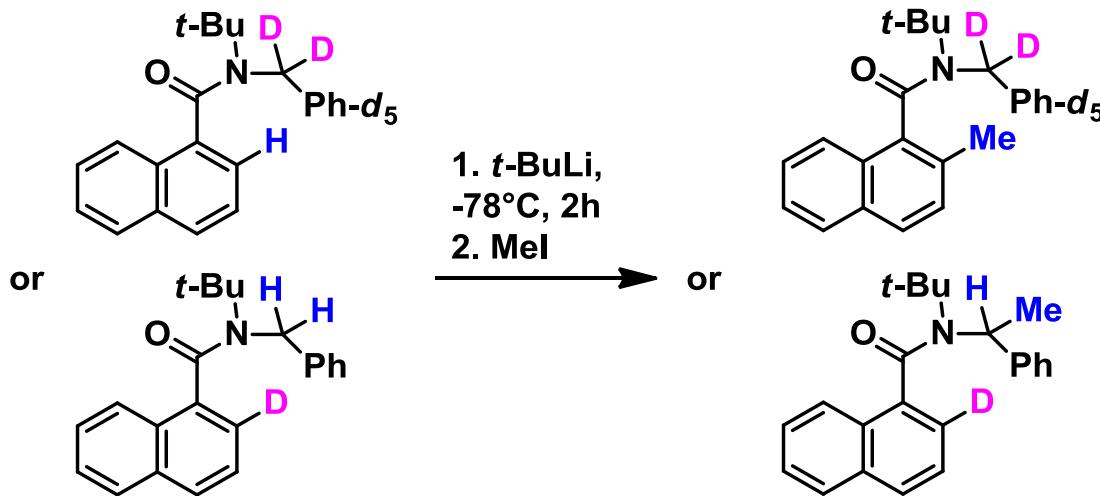
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Proved *ortho*-lithiation
followed by anion translocation

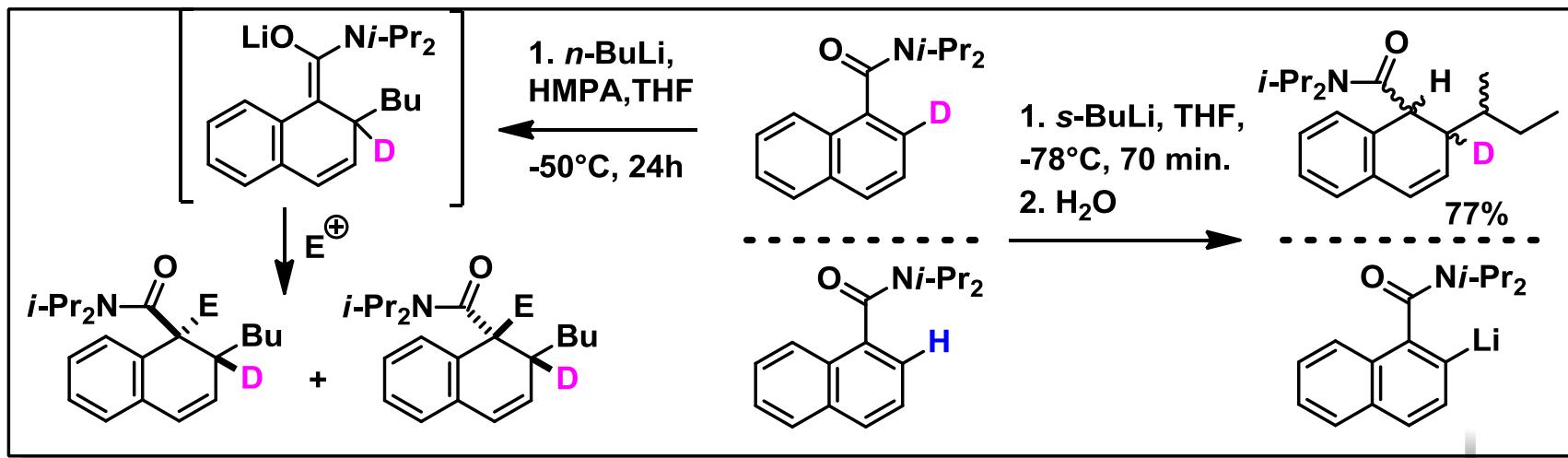
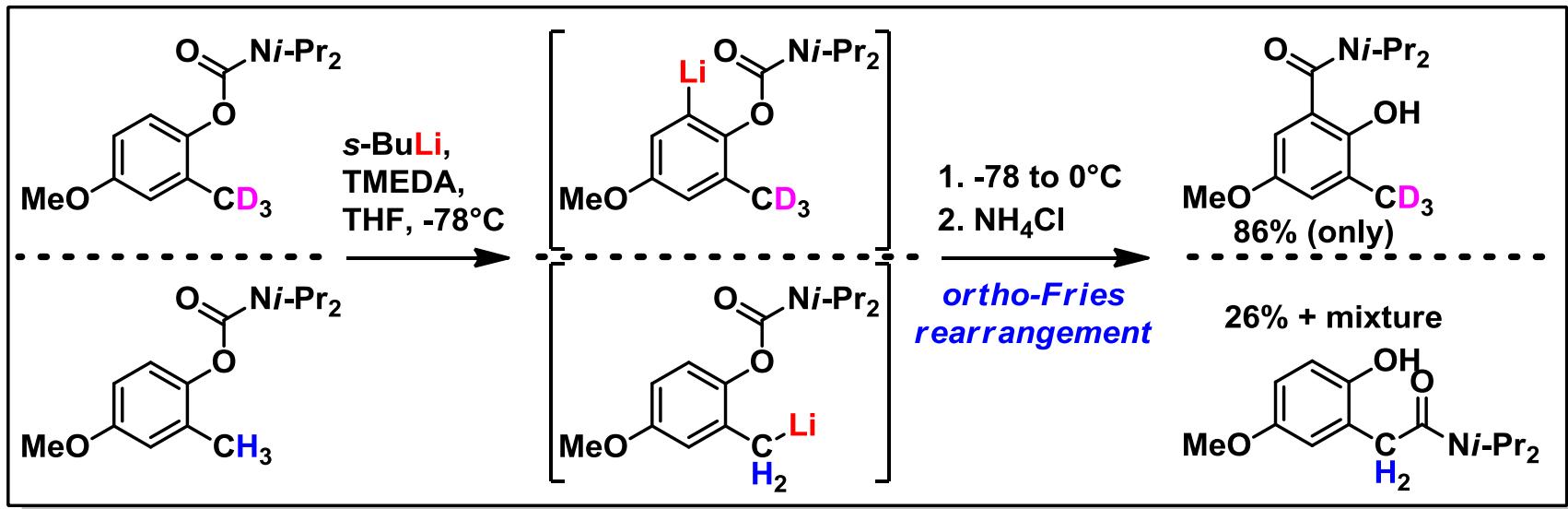


Direct lithiation
in α position of
nitrogen atom

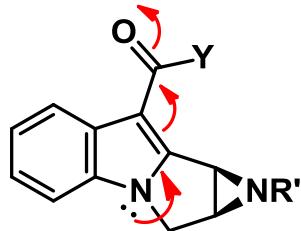
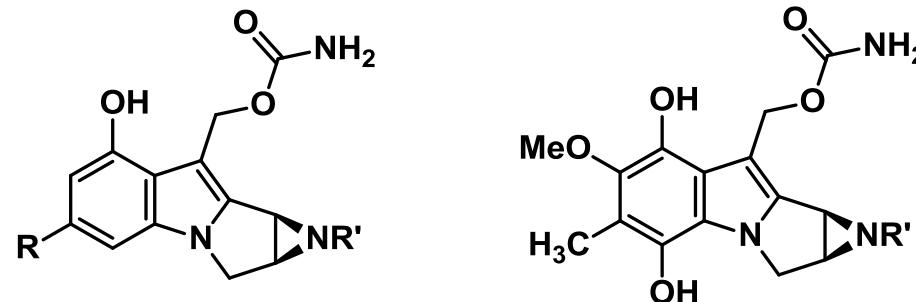


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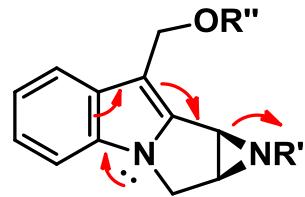
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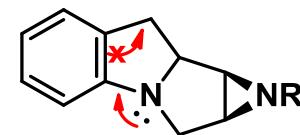
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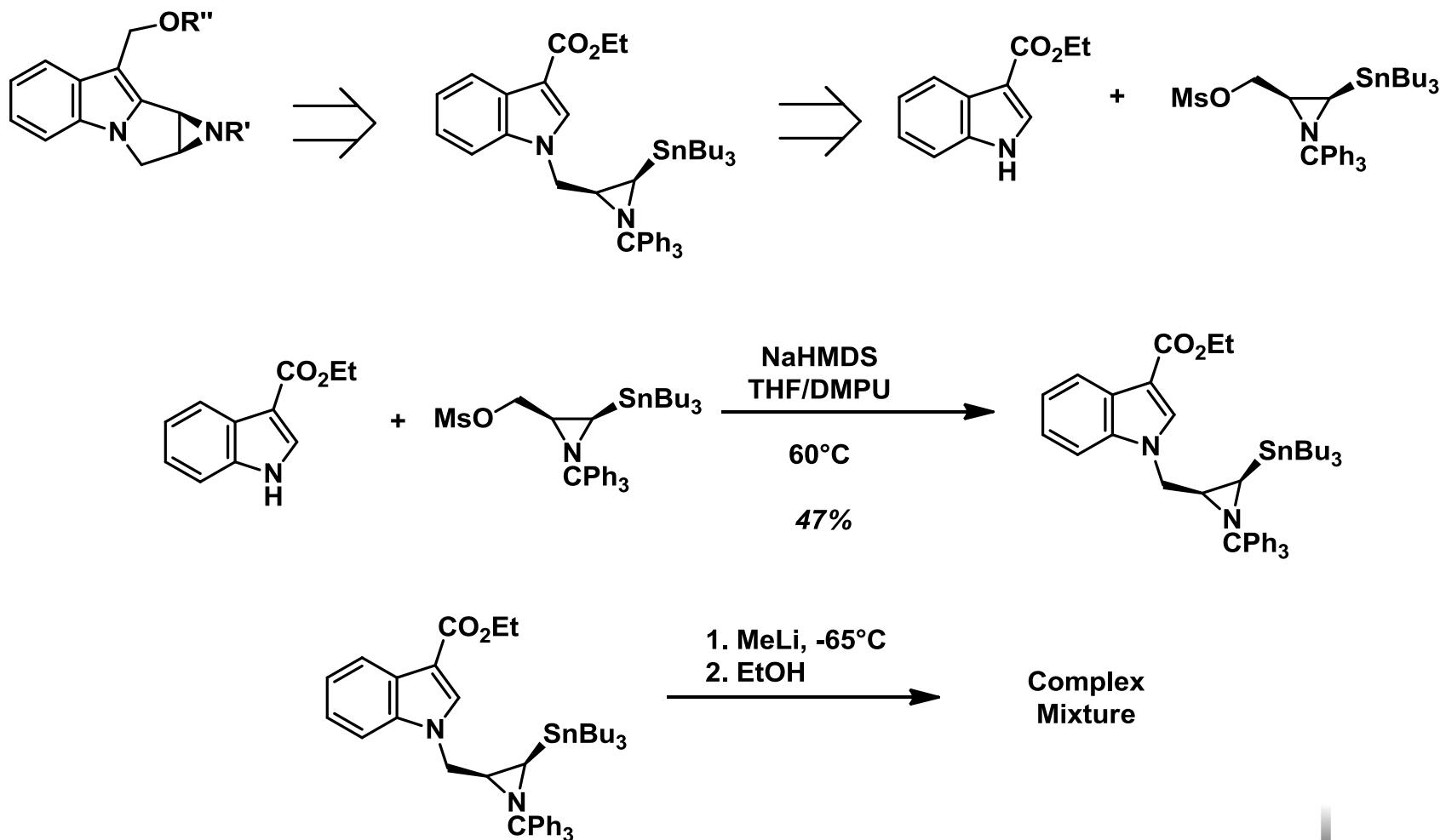


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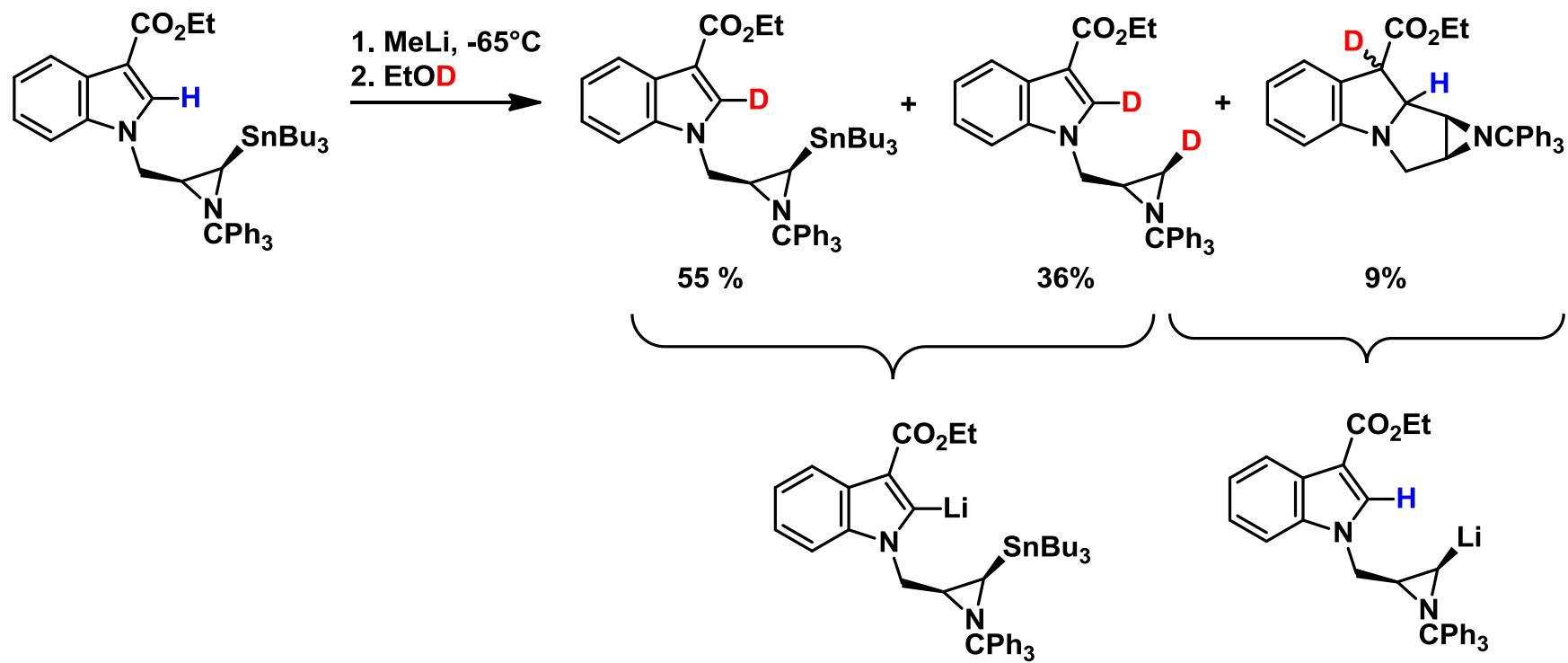


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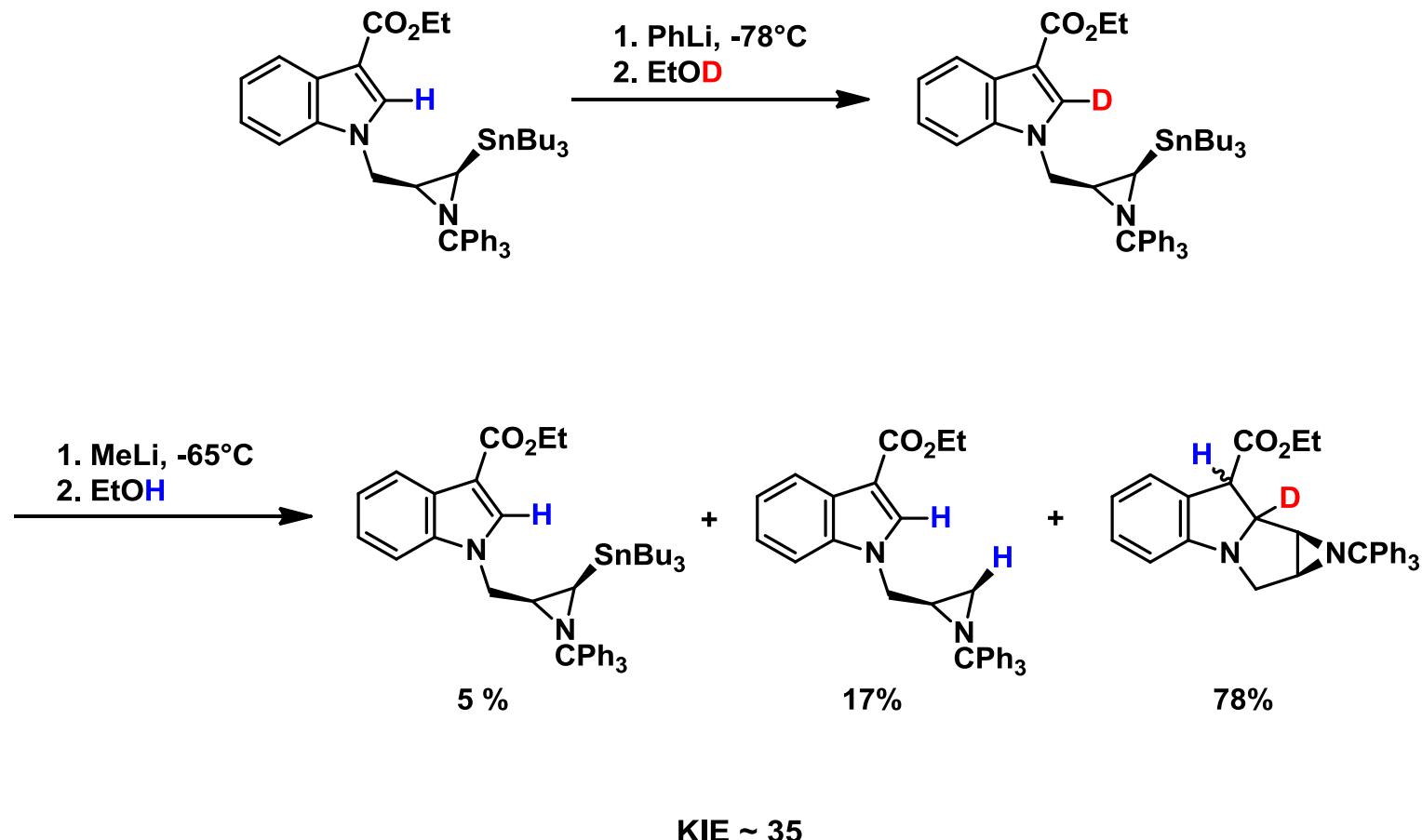
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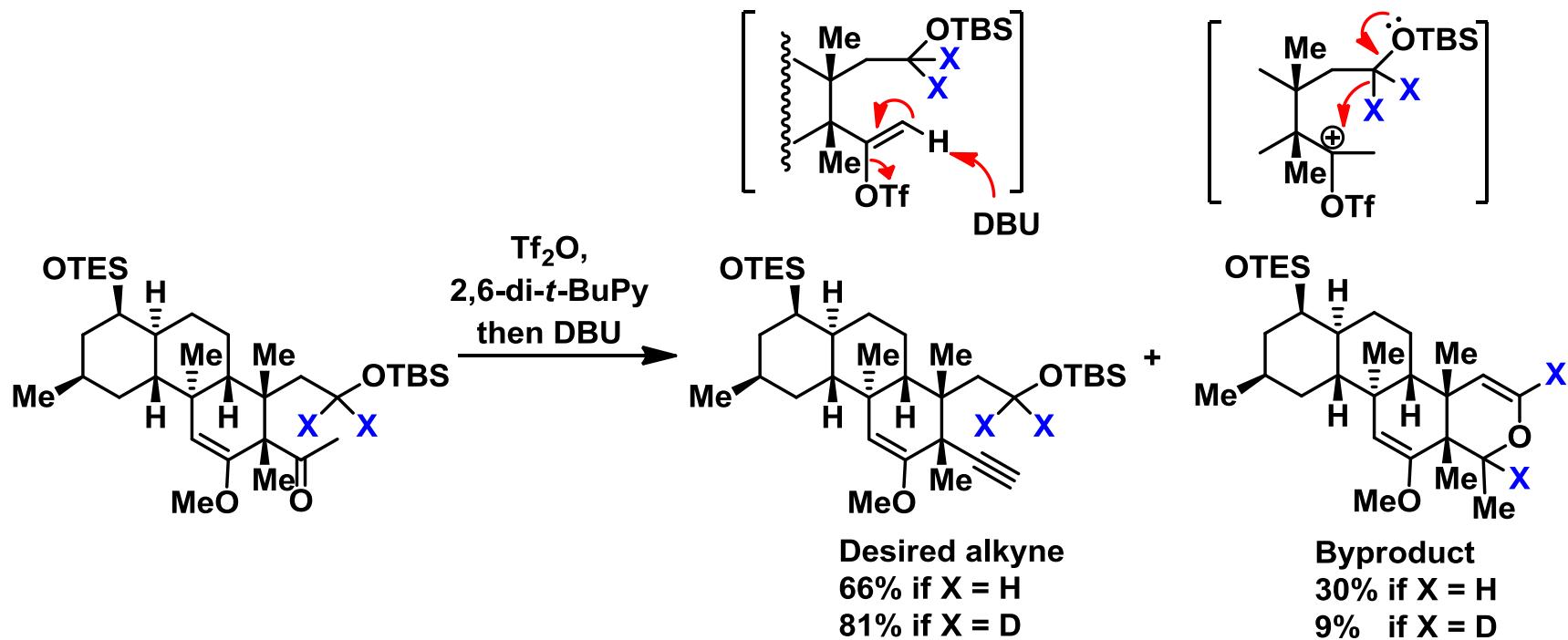
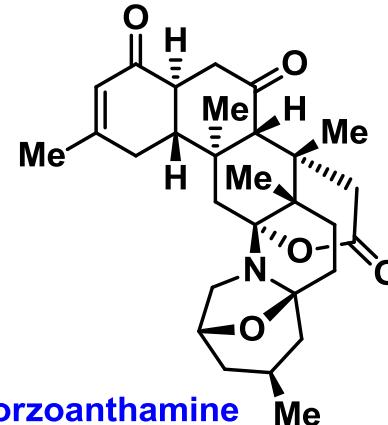
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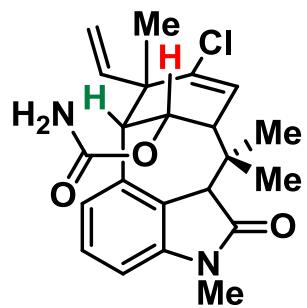
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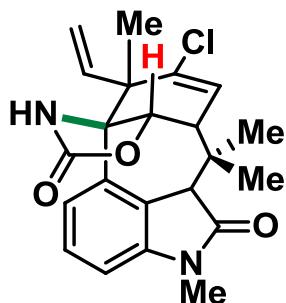
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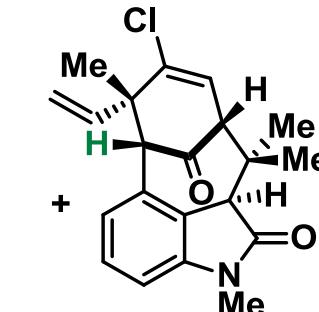
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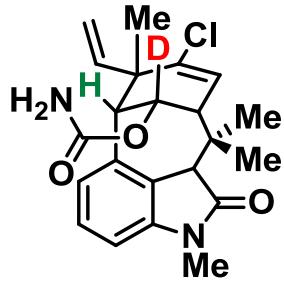
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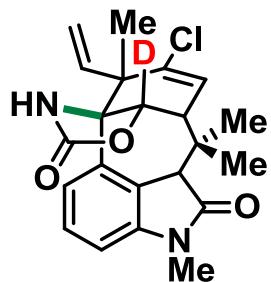
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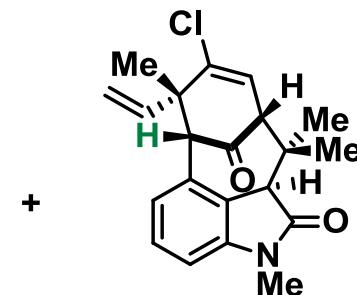
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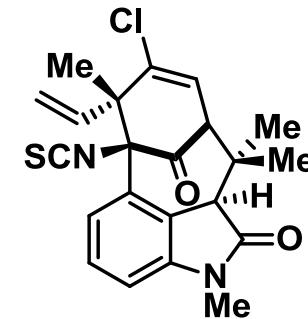
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Nitrene Insertion



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Conclusion

- Useful tool for mechanism determination
- Very simple studies with the Singleton method
- An efficient protecting group for carbon atom

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