

# Diastereoselective Synthesis of Open-Chain Secondary Alkyllithium Compounds and Trapping Reactions with Electrophiles

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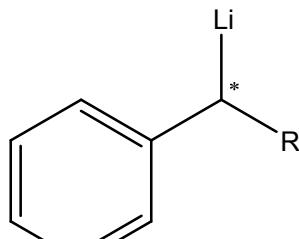
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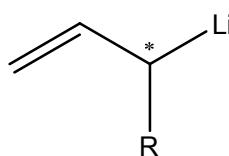


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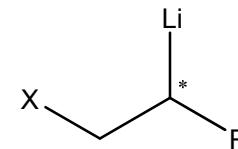
## Stereoselective generation of secondary alkyl lithium compounds



benzylic



allylic



$\alpha$ -heteroatom-substituted

$R = \text{alk}$   
 $X = \text{S, N, O}$

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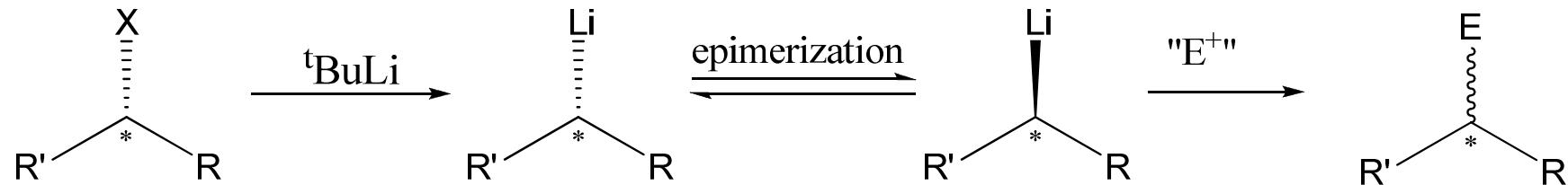
The behaviour of the unstabilized ones remains a challenge.

To learn more about the stereochemical behaviour of alkyl lithium compounds:

A. Basu, S. Thayumanavan, *Angew. Chem.* **2002**, *114*, 716-738

W. K. Lee, Y. S. Park, P. Beak, *Acc. Chem. Res.* **2009**, *42*, 224-234

## Preparation of unstabilized secondary alkyl lithiated compounds



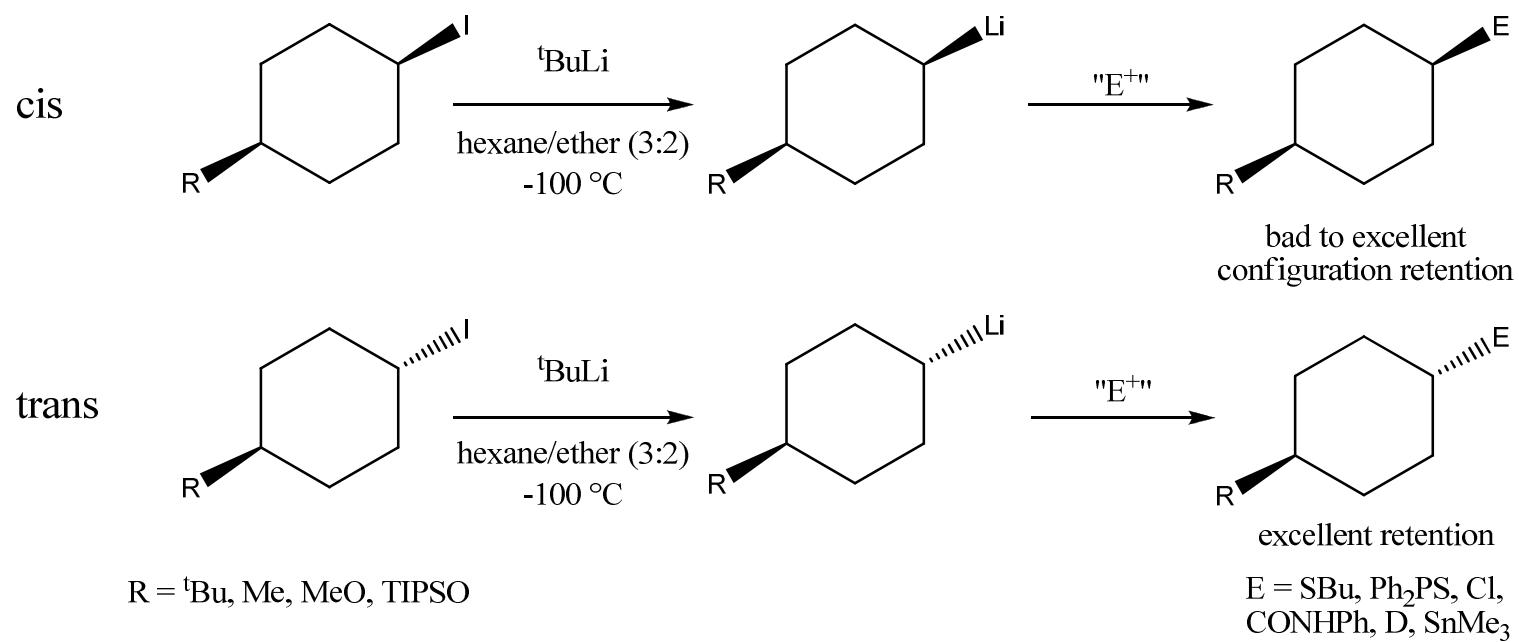
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How can these compounds be stereoselectively generated ?

How do they behave ?

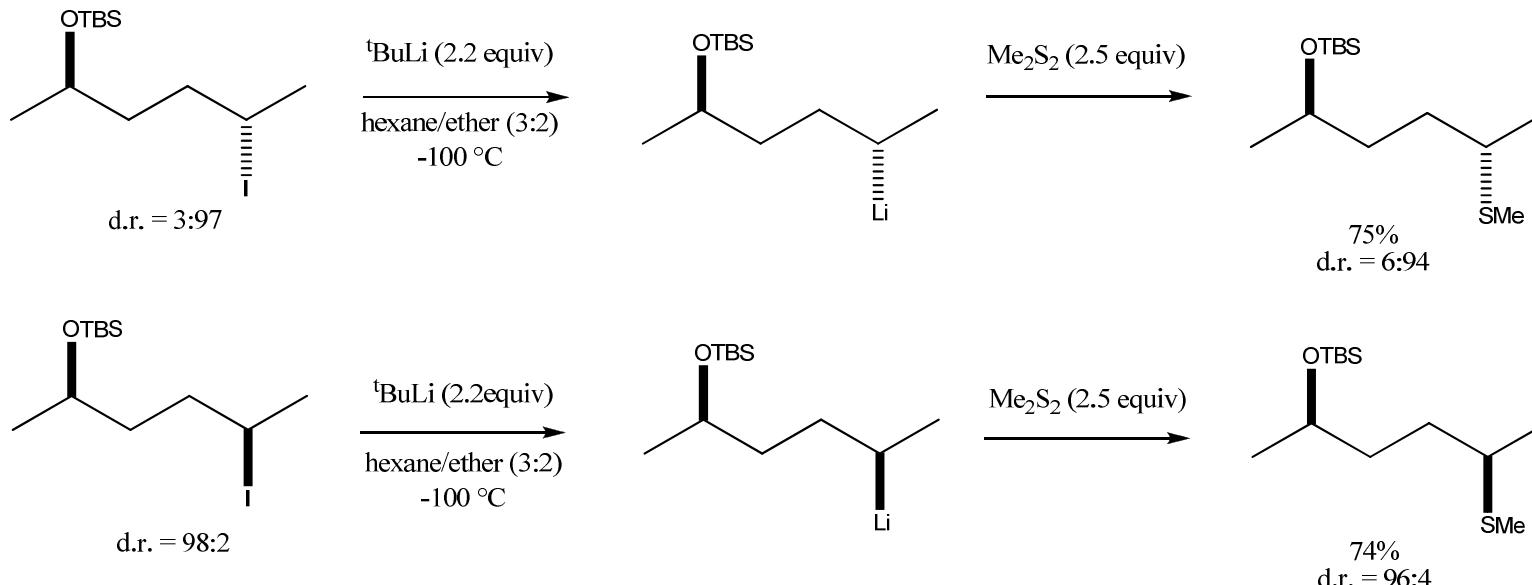
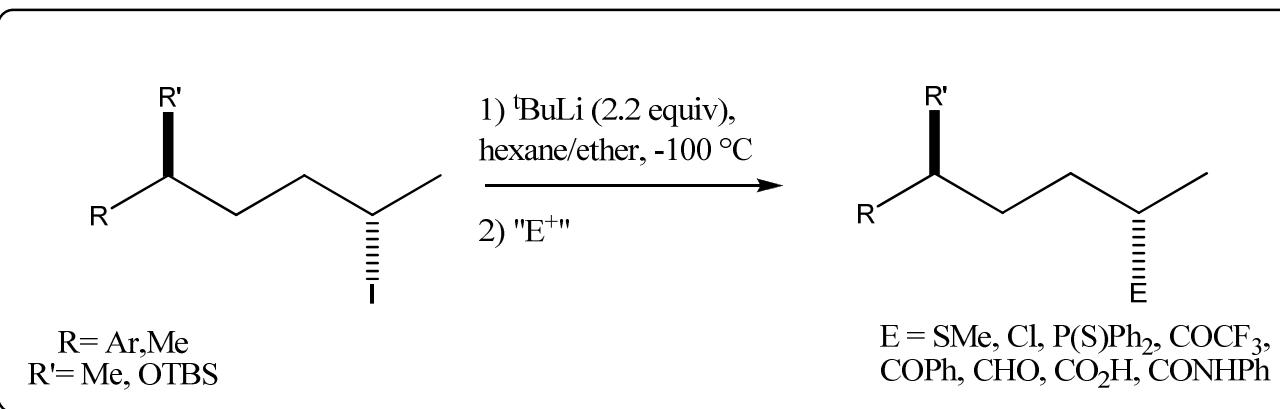
How long do they live ?

## Previously, in the Knochel group

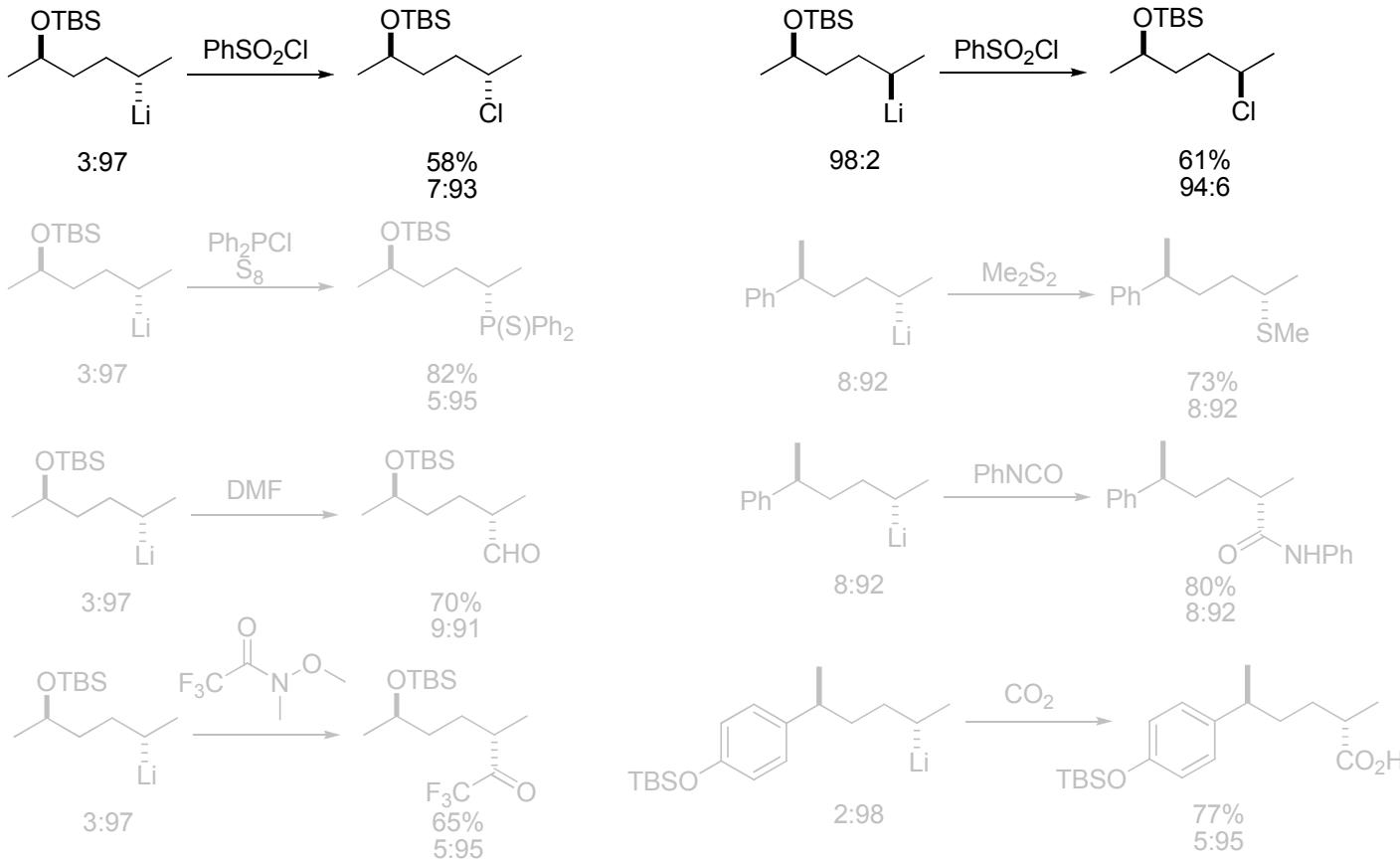


Poorest retention results were obtained with a methoxy (stabilizing) group.

## Experiment design



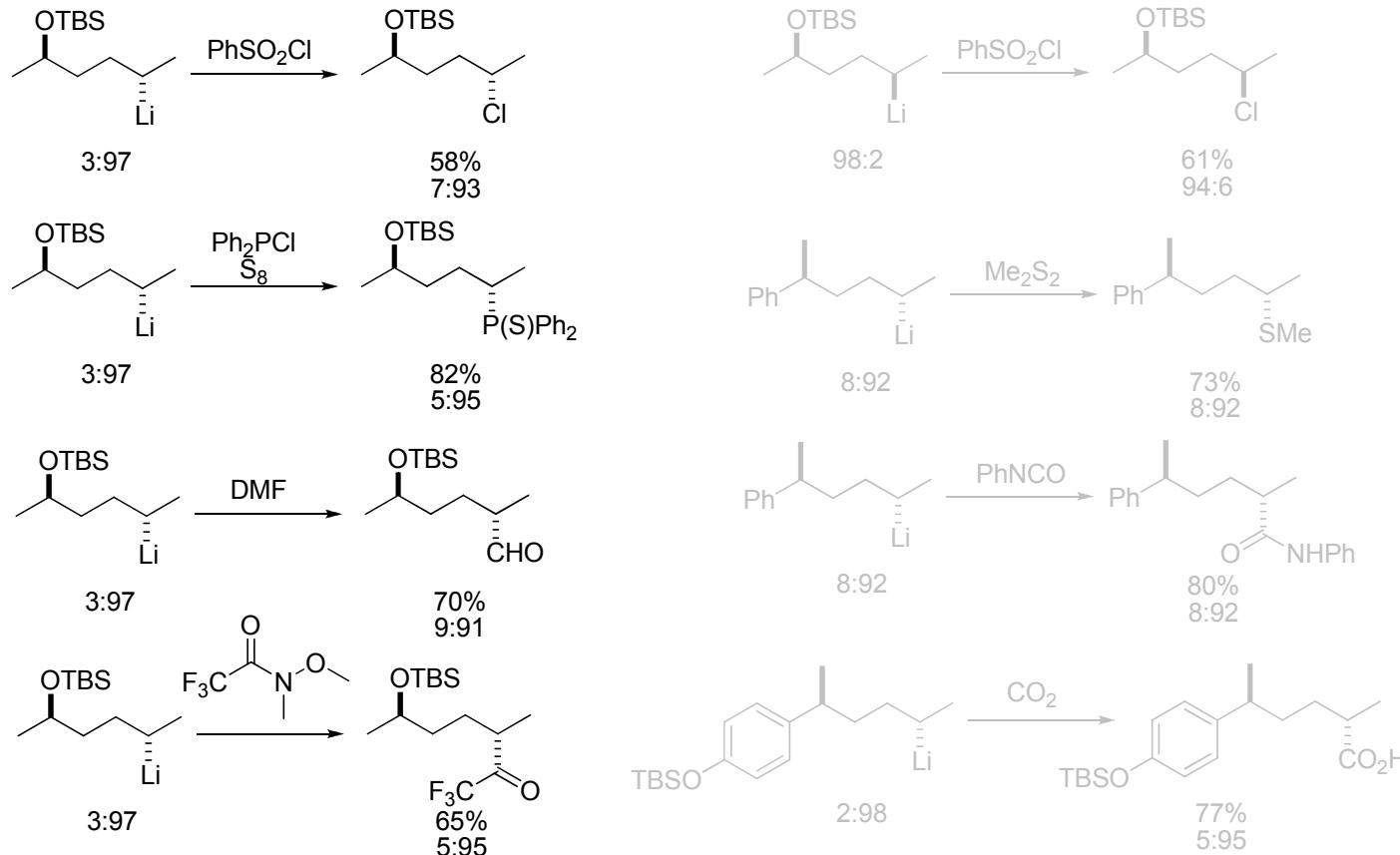
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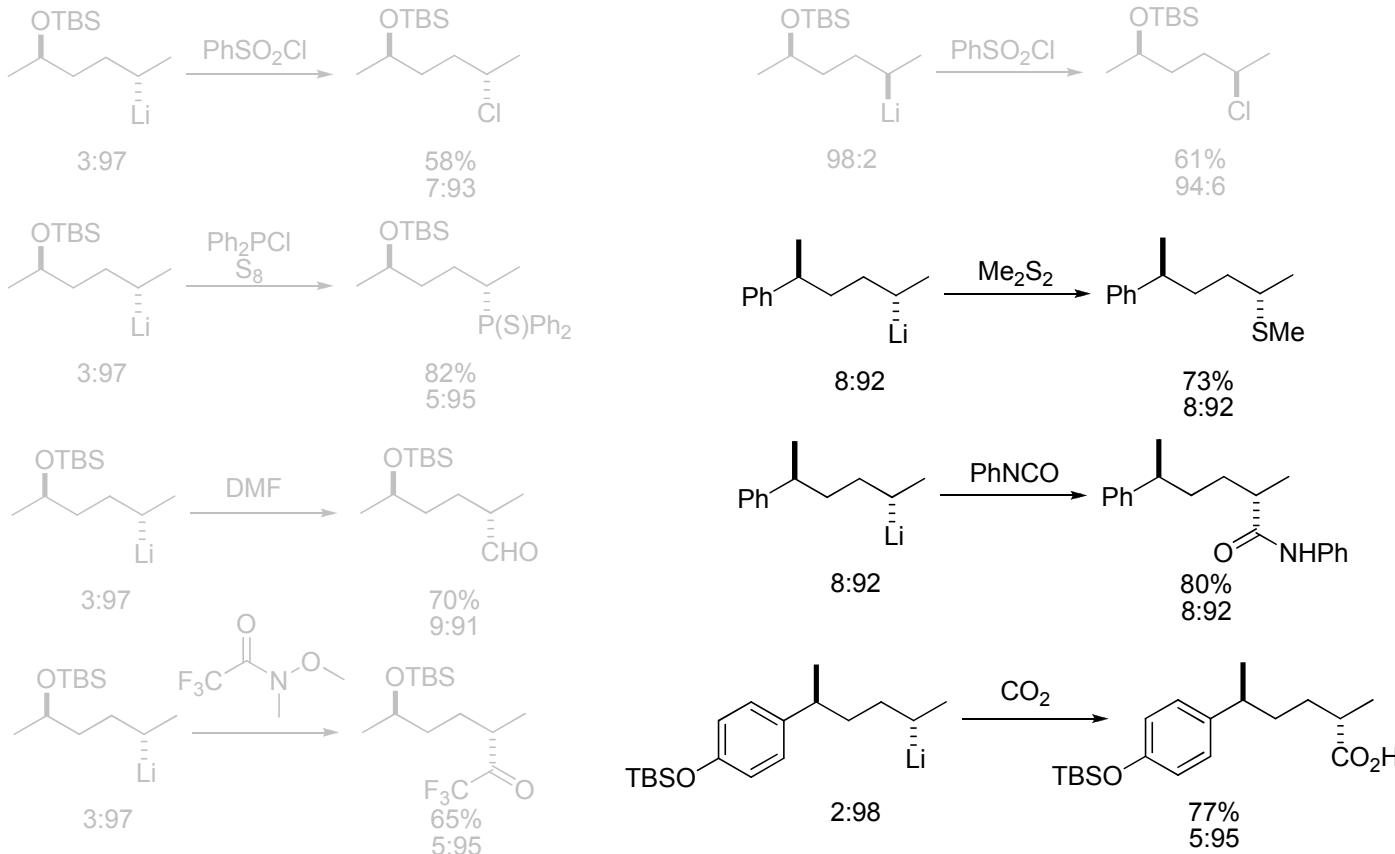
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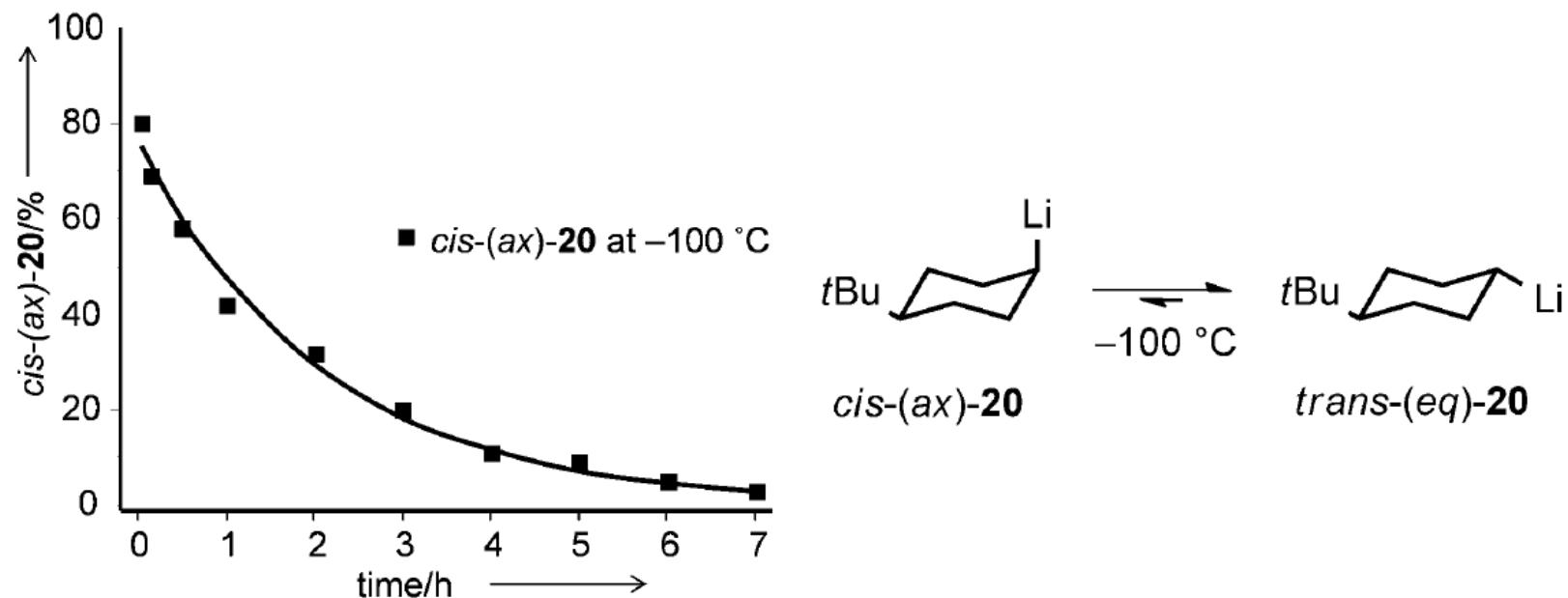
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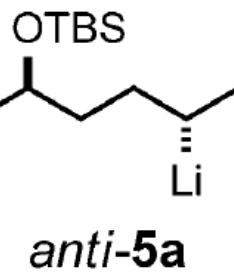
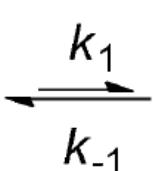
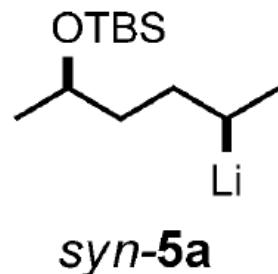
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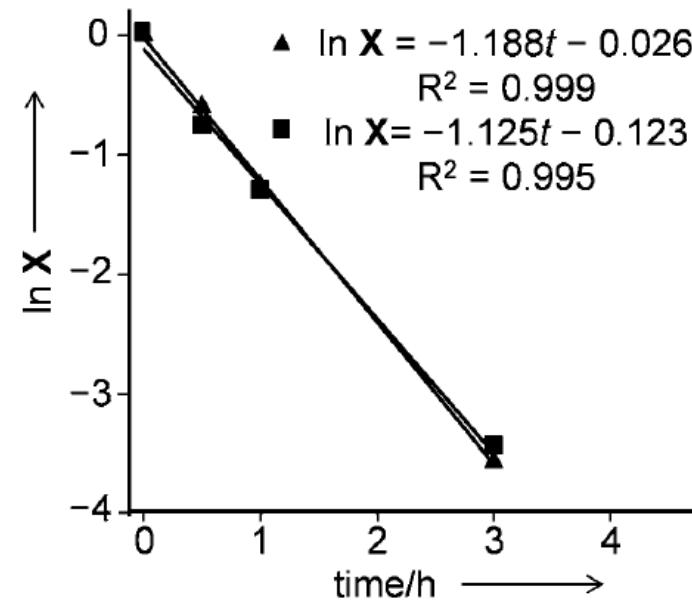
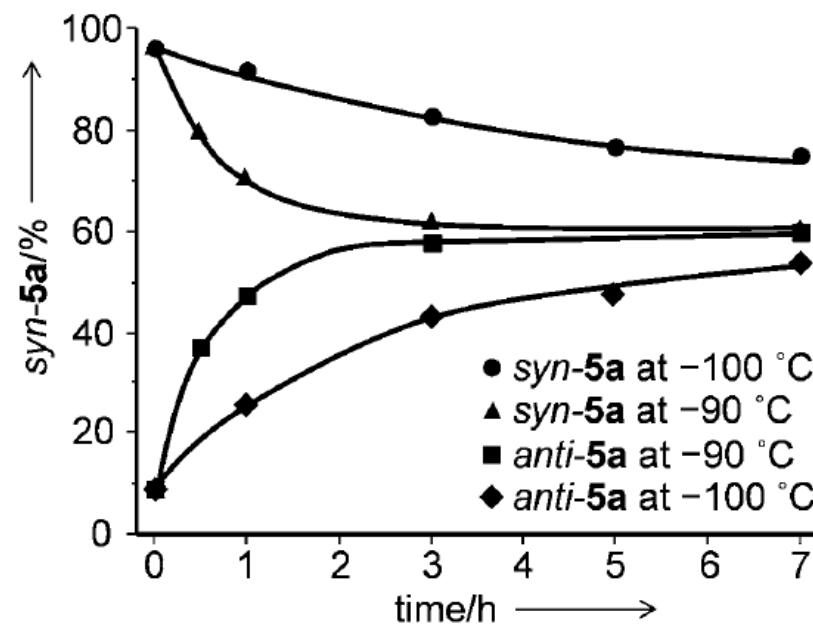


## Thermodynamical study



$$\frac{d[\text{syn}]}{dt} = k_{-1}[\text{anti}] - k_1[\text{syn}]$$

$$\ln \frac{[\text{syn}] - [\text{syn}]^{\text{eq}}}{[\text{syn}]^{\circ} - [\text{syn}]^{\text{eq}}} = -(k_1 + k_{-1}) t \quad (1)$$



$$\Delta G^\circ (T = -90 \text{ } ^\circ\text{C}) = -RT \ln \frac{[\text{anti}]^{\text{eq}}}{[\text{syn}]^{\text{eq}}} = 0.62 \text{ kJ.mol}^{-1}$$

## Conclusion

- a wide and complete study
- synthetic application example ?
- why this test substrate design ?
- scope design



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