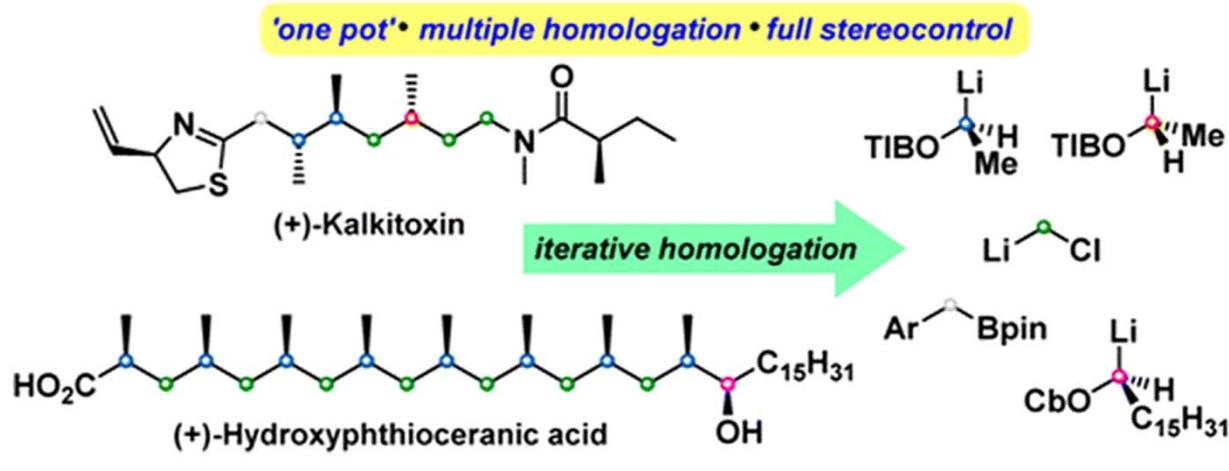


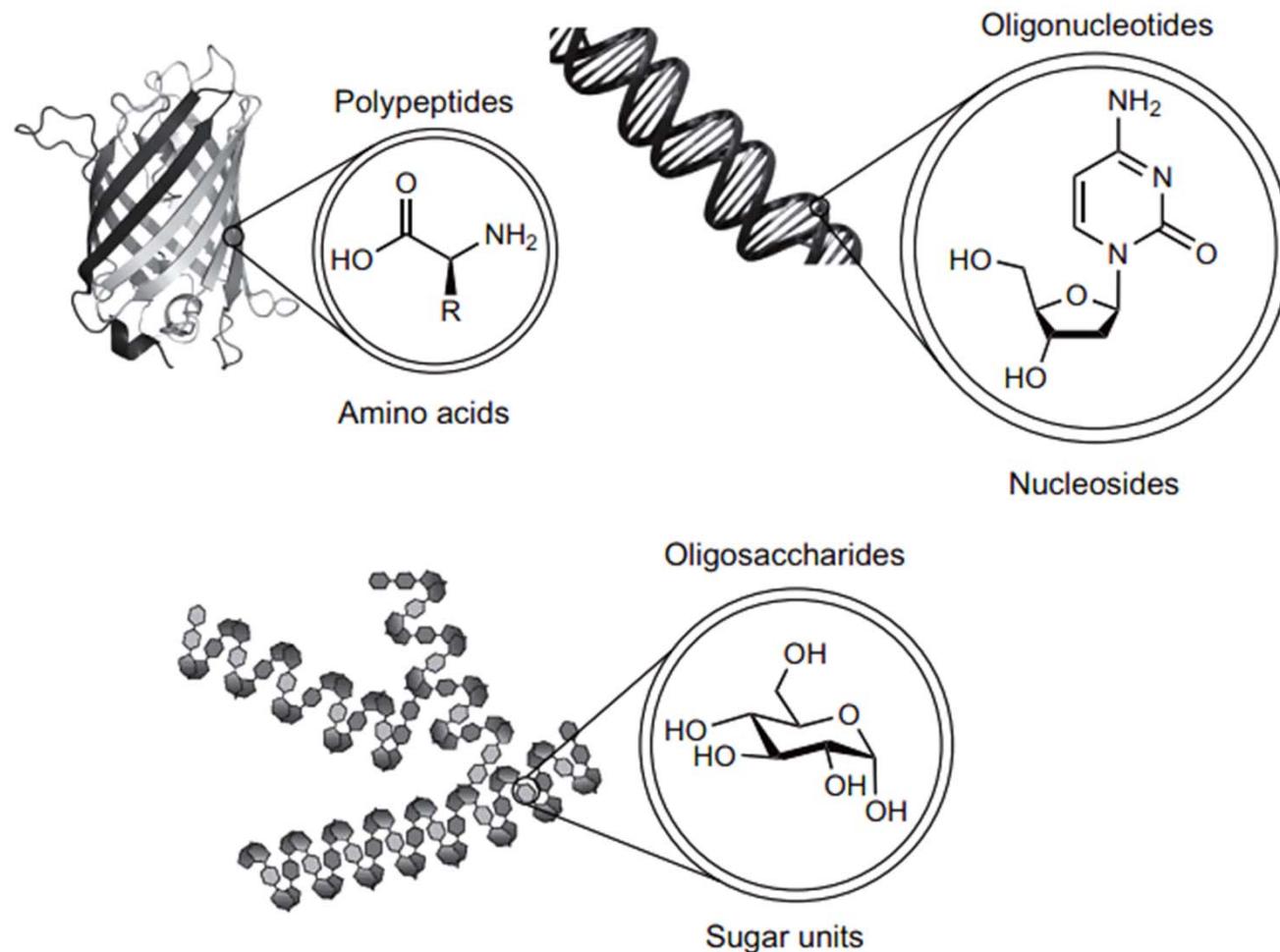
# Toward Ideality: The Synthesis of (+)-Kalkitoxin and (+)-Hydroxyphthioceranic Acid by Assembly-Line Synthesis



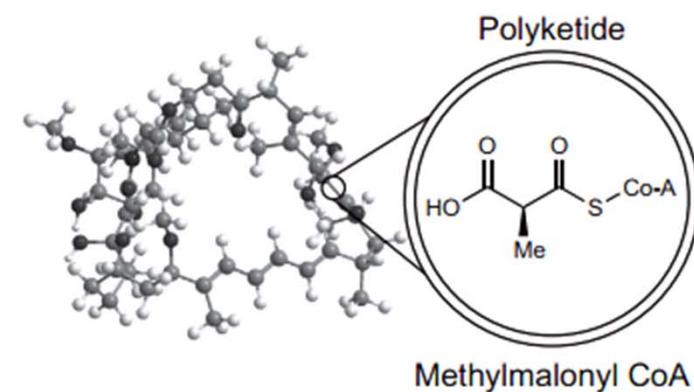
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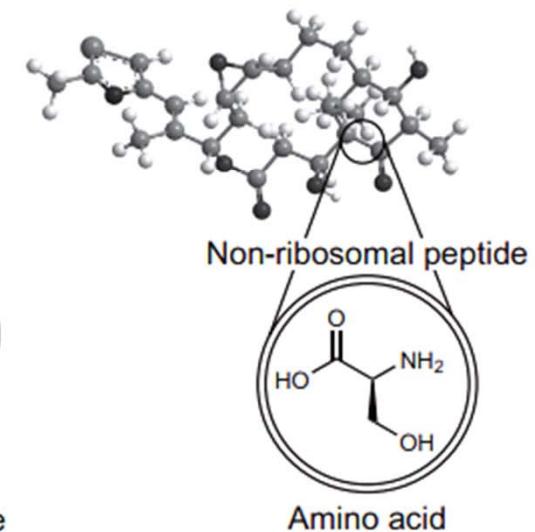
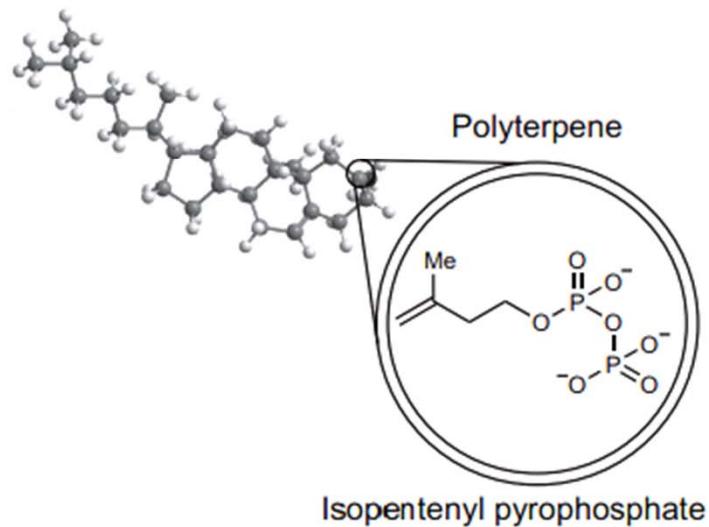
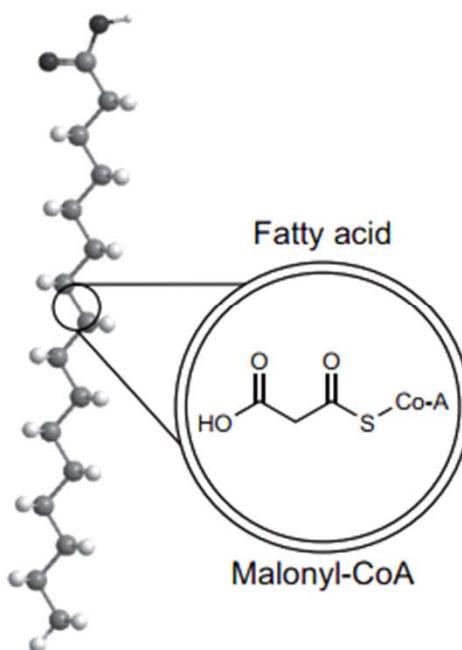
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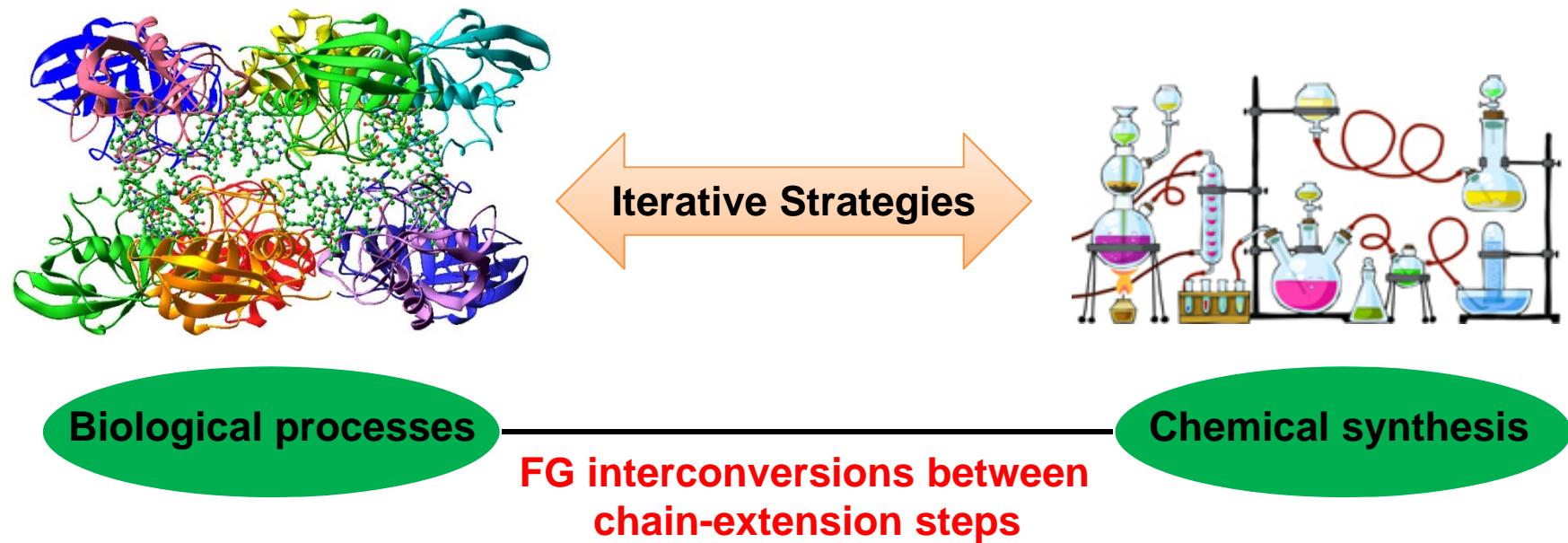
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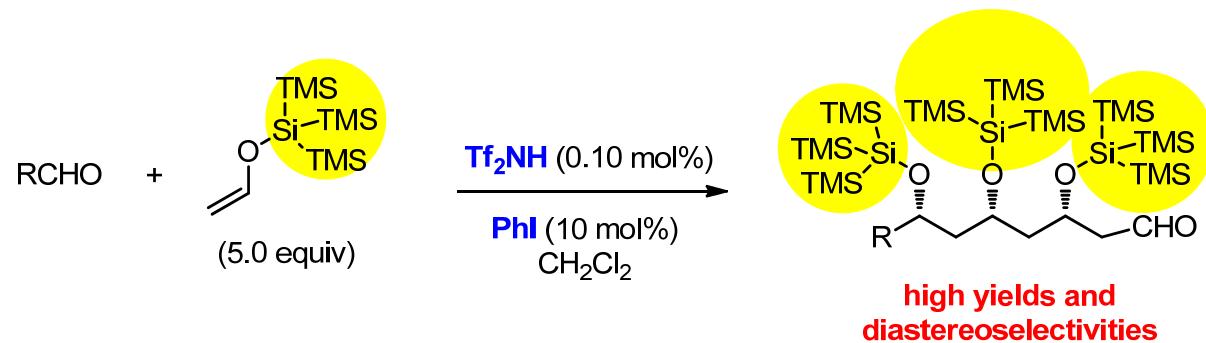
Systematic approach based on building blocks should make many **small molecules similarly attainable**



## 2. Iterative Strategies



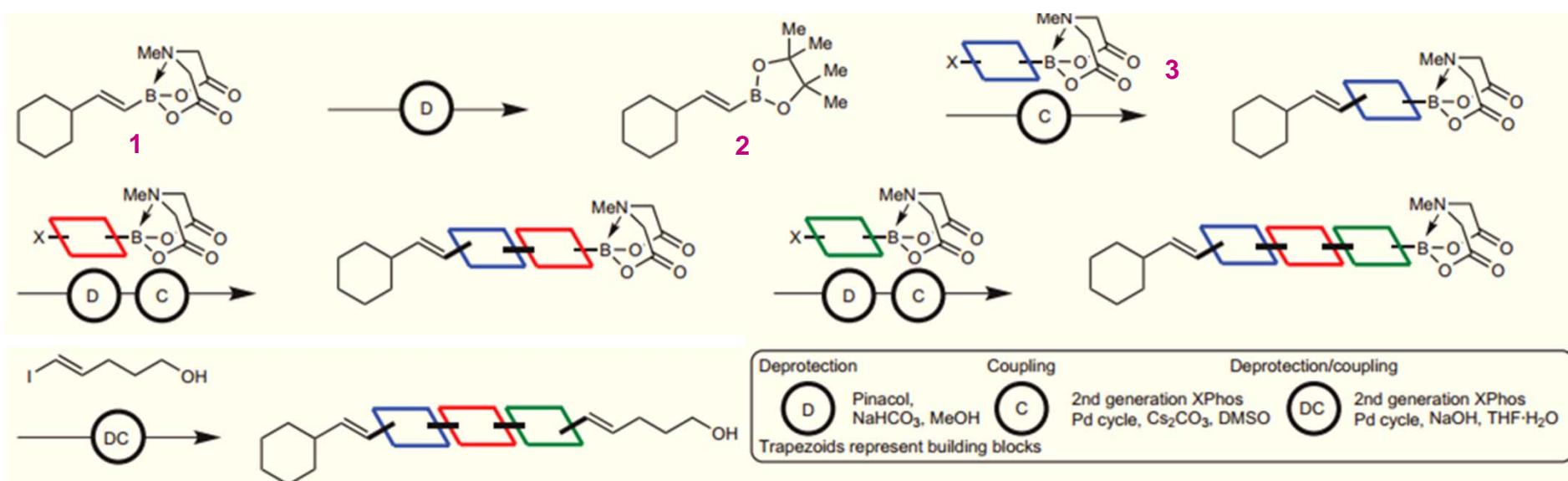
### 1. Triple aldol cascade reaction



## 2. Iterative Strategies

2. Synthesis of most polyene natural product motifs using just 12 building blocks and one coupling reaction

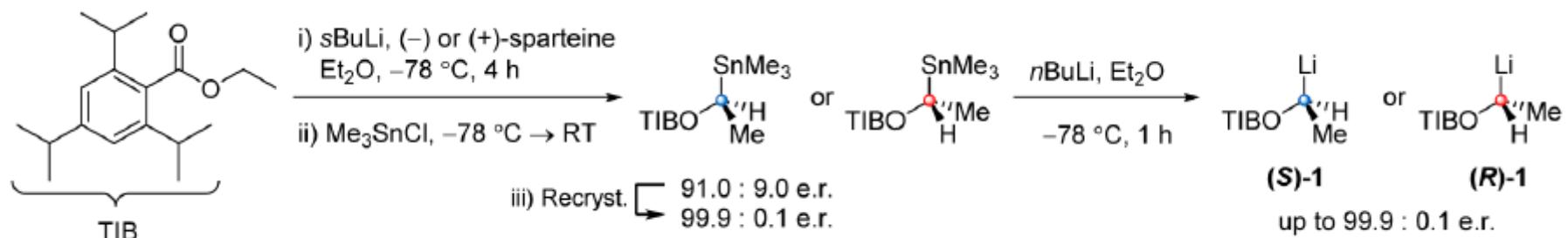
How many bifunctional MIDA boronate building blocks would be required to make most of the polyene motifs found in nature ?



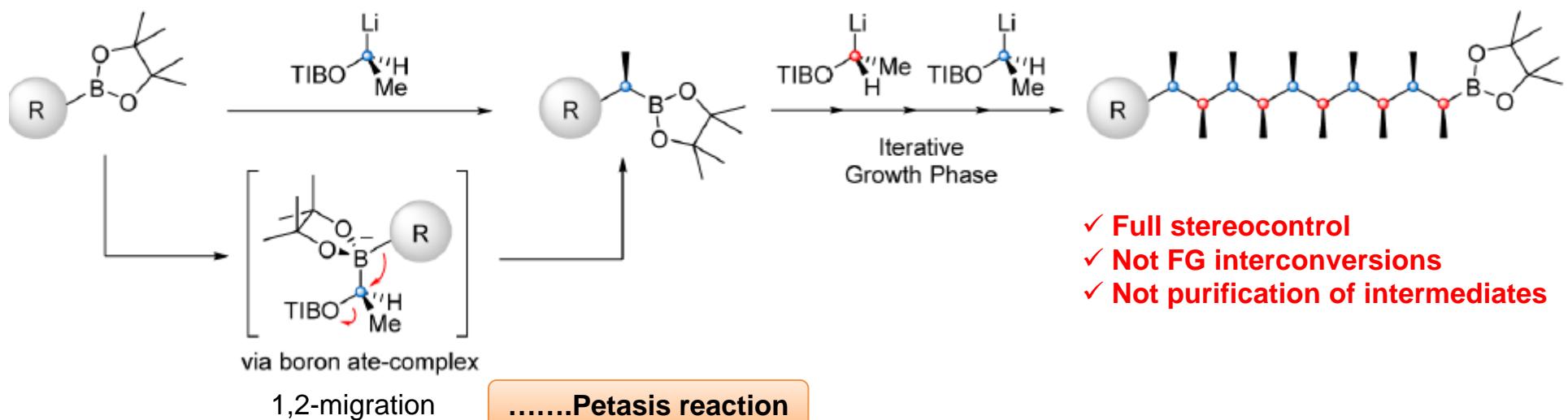
- 1) MIDA boronate
- 2) Alkenyl pinacol boronate
- 3) Haloalkenyl MIDA boronate

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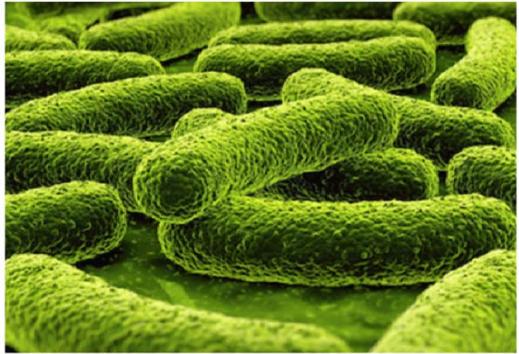
### 3a. Synthesis of the building blocks (*Hoppe-Beak's sparteine-mediated lithiation*)



### 3b. Iterative homologation with boronic esters

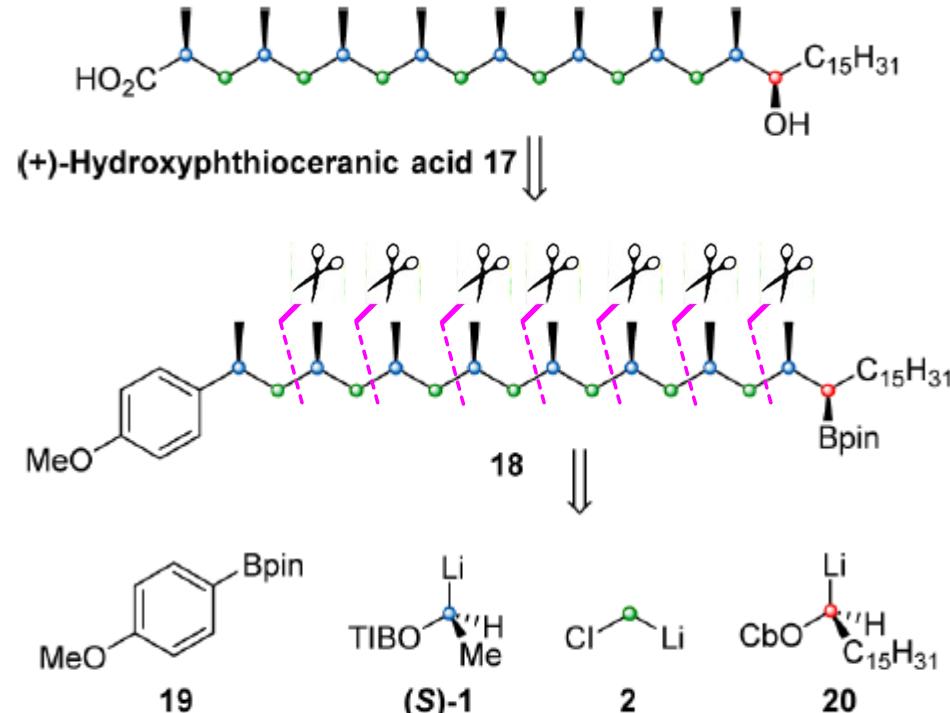


### 3. Retrosynthetic Analysis of (+)-Hydroxyphthioceranic Acid



*component of the cell wall  
lipid of the TB bacterium*

Minnaard's group (23 steps)  
Schneider's group (32 steps)

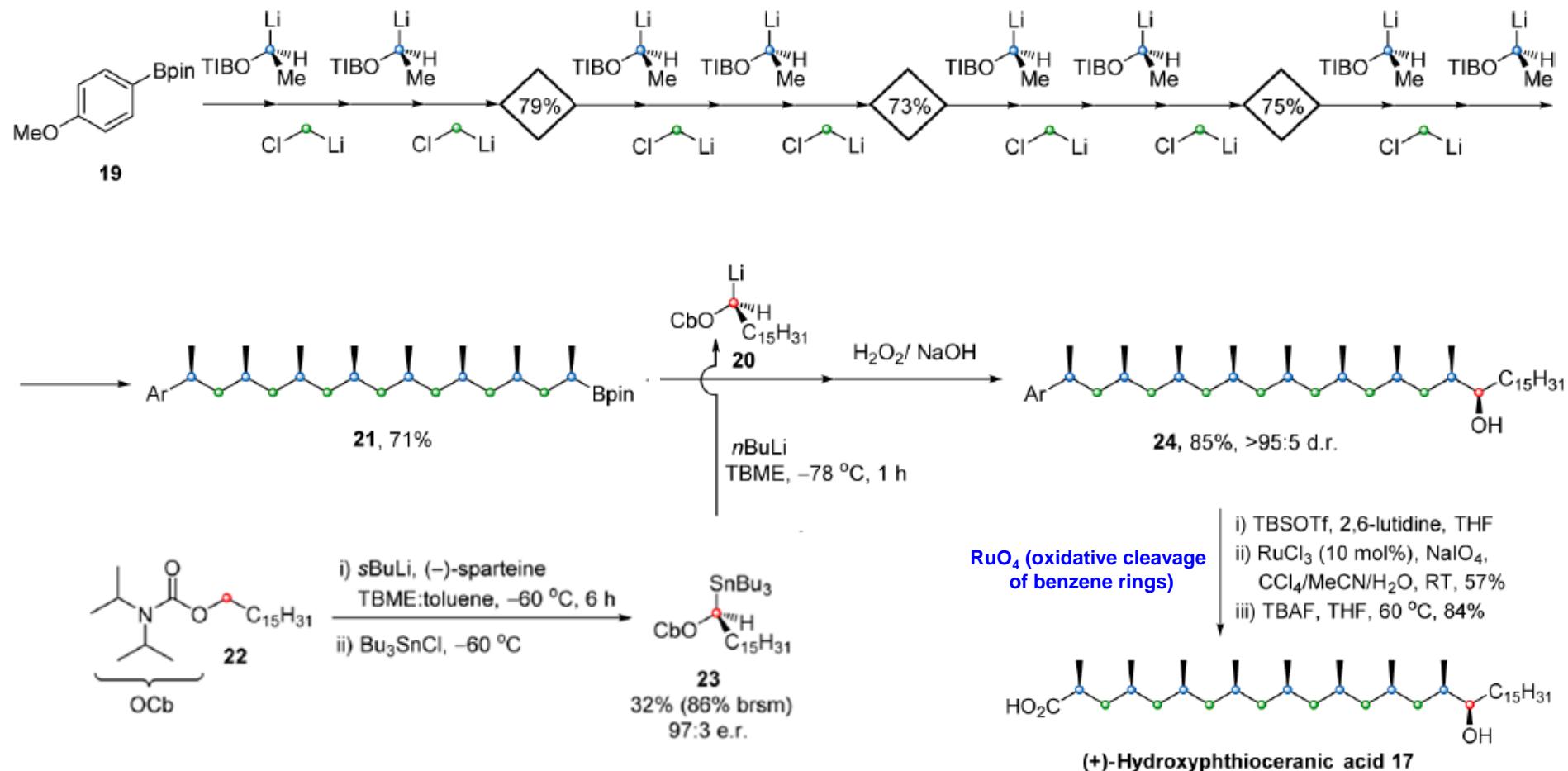


$\text{OCb} = \text{N,N-di-isopropylcarbamoyl}$

**“15 homologations in total”**

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## 4. Total Synthesis of (+)-Hydroxyphthioceranic Acid by Assembly-Line Synthesis



The synthesis was completed in just one month with only seven purifications steps  
12.5% overall yield

## 5. Conclusions

The stereocontrolled syntheses of these complex molecules highlight the power of iterative chemical synthesis using boronic esters

iterative homologation

