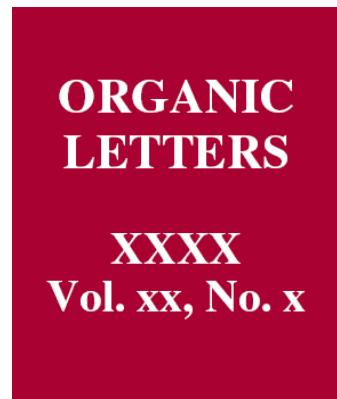




# RCC (HBR)

Oxidative Cleavage of Alkenes Using an *In Situ*  
Generated Iodonium Ion with Oxone as a Terminal  
Oxidant



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## I- Precedents for cleavage of double bonds

### 1) Old ones:

- Ozonolysis<sup>1</sup>



Risk of Explosion (Ouch!)

- Lemieux-Johnson protocol:<sup>2</sup> OsO<sub>4</sub> followed by NaIO<sub>4</sub>



Toxicity (Re-ouch!)

- High valent metal-oxo catalysts of Mn, Mo, Ru, Pd, Re and Os with a co-oxidant to regenerate



Toxicity and Inability to recover 100% of the spent reagent

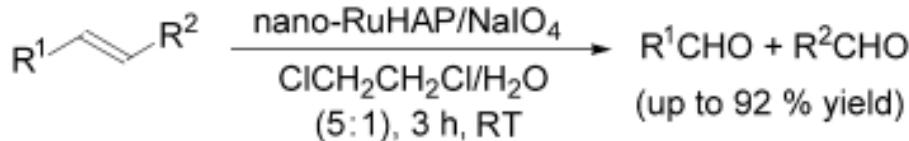


Obstruction to use these methods in industrial process

1. Serious accidents have been reported: Koike, K; Inoue, G; Fukada, T. *J. Chem. Eng. Jpn.* **1999**, 32, 295
2. Pappo, R.; Allen, D. S. Jr.; Lemieux, R. U.; Johnson, W. S. *J. Org. Chem.* **1956**, 21, 478

## 2) Recent Improvements

### a) Immobilization or microencapsulation of the Metal catalyst on polymers<sup>3</sup>



### b) Organoiodine reagents

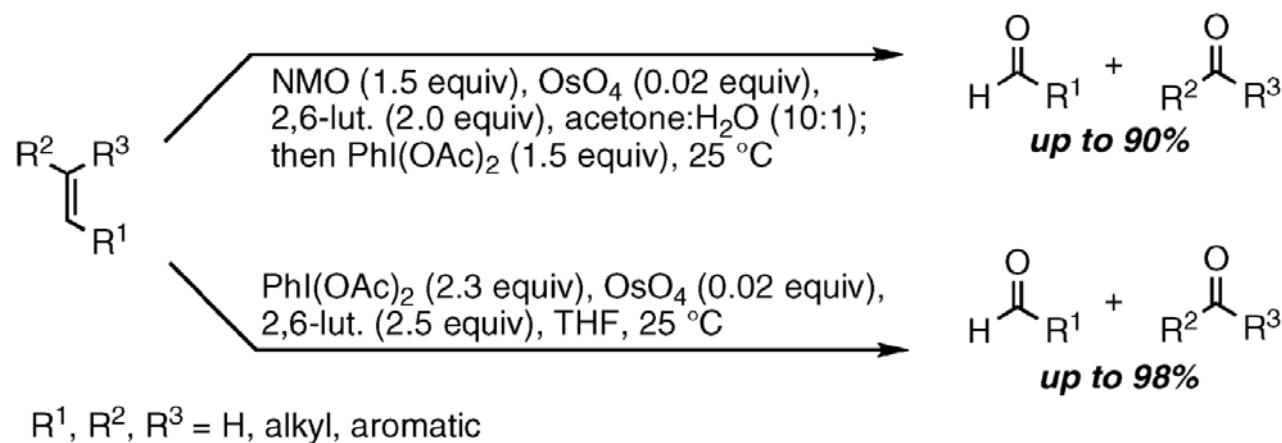
- Ochiai *et al.* introduced environmentally benign organoiodine reagents<sup>4</sup>
  - PhIO, 48% HBF<sub>4</sub>, 18-crown-6
  - ArI(*cat.*), 48% HBF<sub>4</sub>, *m*-CPBA

3. Ho, C.-M. *et al. ACIE*, **2004**, *43*, 3303

4. a. Miyamoto, K. *et al. JACS*, **2007**, *129*, 2772; b. Miyamoto, K. *et al. JACS*, **2009**, *131*, 1382

- Most recently, Nicolaou *et al.* reported:

Upjohn conditions<sup>5</sup> hydroxylation followed by the addition of Ph( IOAc)<sub>2</sub>

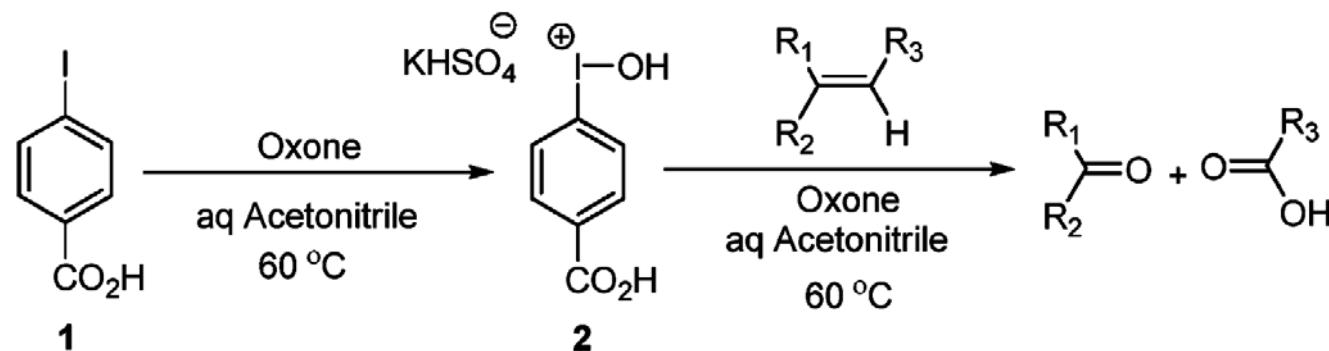


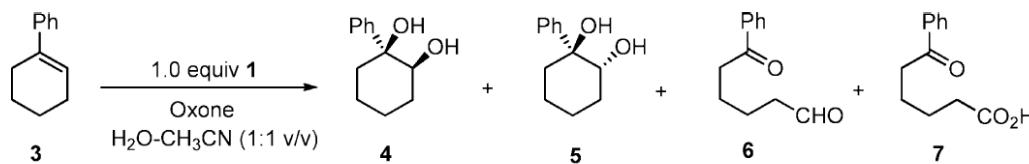
Need for simple and non toxic protocols

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3) HBR



Optimization

entry	equiv		% yield <sup>b</sup>		
	1	oxone	(4 + 5)	6	7
1	—	0.5 <sup>c</sup>	95	—	—
2	—	1.0 <sup>c</sup>	100	—	—
3	1.0	0.5	95	5	—
4	1.0	0.75	69	7	24
5	1.0	1.0	45	15	40
6	1.0	1.2	25	10	65
7	1.0	1.5	8 <sup>d</sup>	—	92
8	1.0	1.63	3 <sup>d</sup>	5	92
9	1.0	2.0	—	—	100
10	0.5	2.0	—	—	100
11	0.25	2.0	—	—	100
12	0.05	2.0	—	—	100

<sup>a</sup> Reactions were carried out on 0.2 g scale in H<sub>2</sub>O:CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1:1 v/v, 20 mL) at 60 °C for 3 h. <sup>b</sup> <sup>1</sup>H NMR yield. <sup>c</sup> No 4-IBAcid present. <sup>d</sup> Exclusively **5** with no **4** present.

## Substrate Scope

entry	substrate	method <sup>a</sup>	time h	product	yield, %
1		A	3		90 <sup>b</sup>
2		A	3		76 <sup>b</sup>
3		B	4		78 <sup>b</sup>
4		A	3		80 <sup>b</sup>
5		B	3		65 <sup>b</sup>
6		A	6		83 <sup>c</sup>
7		A	14		81 <sup>c</sup>
8		A	14		90 <sup>c</sup>
9		A	18		87 <sup>c</sup>
10		A	14		33 <sup>c</sup>
11		C	8		90 <sup>b</sup>
12		C	8		82 <sup>c</sup>
13		C	8		70 <sup>b</sup>
14		C	8		86 <sup>c</sup>

### a. Method A

0.2 eq of **1** and Oxone in H<sub>2</sub>O-CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1:1)

### Method B

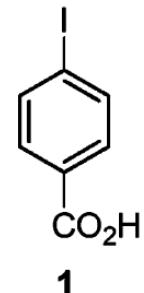
0.2 eq of Iodobenzene and Oxone in H<sub>2</sub>O-CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1:1)

### Method C

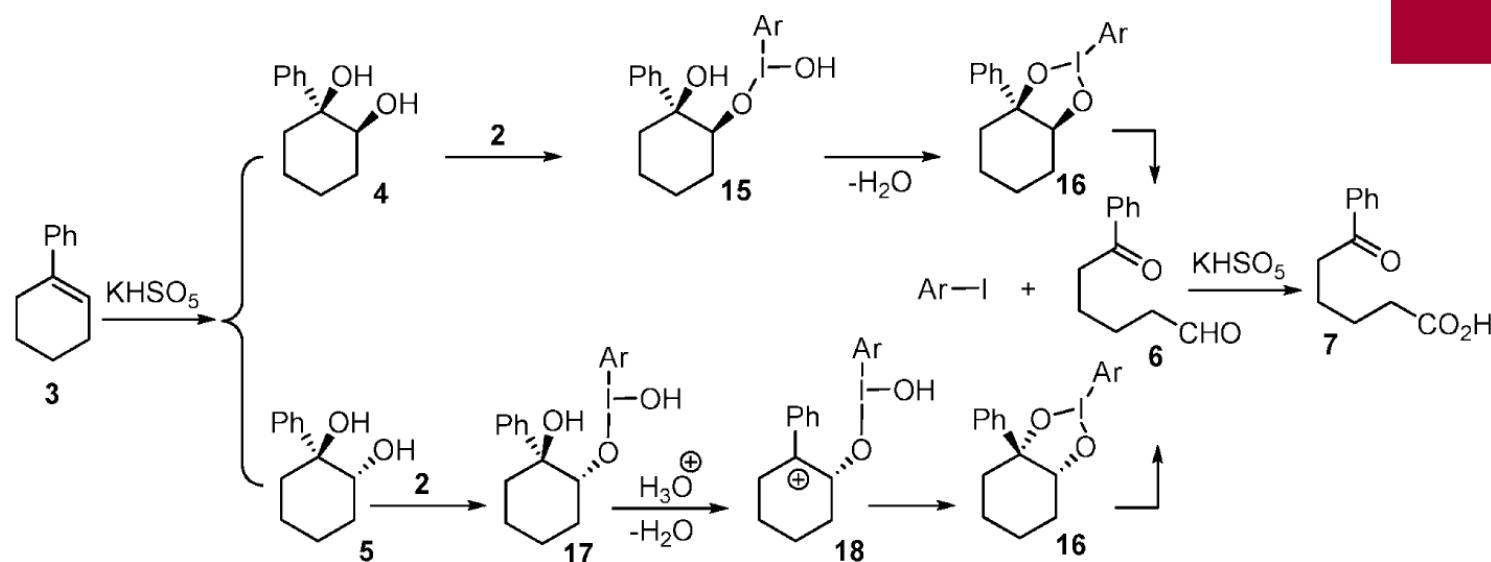
1.0 eq of Iodobenzene and Oxone in H<sub>2</sub>O-CH<sub>3</sub>CN (1:1)

### b. Isolated yield

### c. <sup>1</sup>H NMR yield

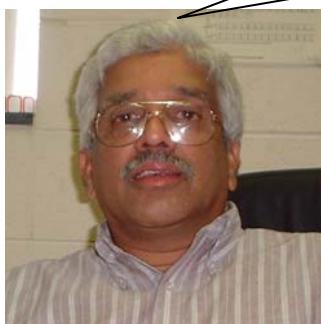


Mechanism



### 3) Conclusion

In summary we have developed an operationally simple and catalytic procedure for oxidative cleavage of alkenes using benign and cheap reagents. The new method is versatile and a safer alternative to existing alkene cleavage procedures.



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