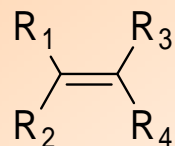


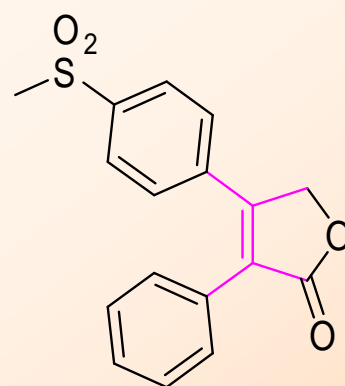
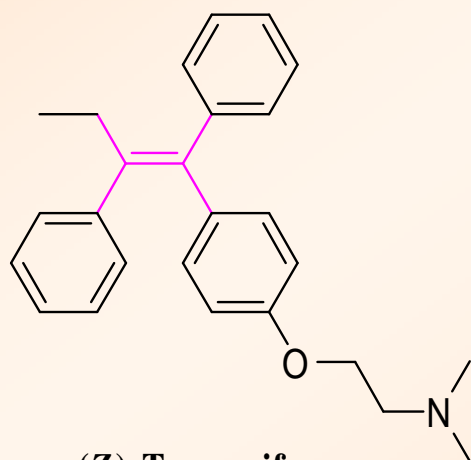
Stereocontrolled Synthesis of Tetrasubstituted Olefins

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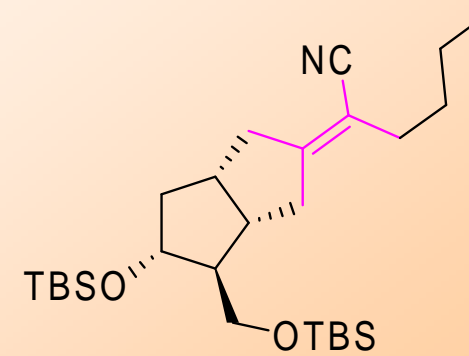
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- Particular challenge in organic synthesis
- Key starting materials for various asymmetric transformations
- Presence in a lot of drugs, natural products and other biologically active substances



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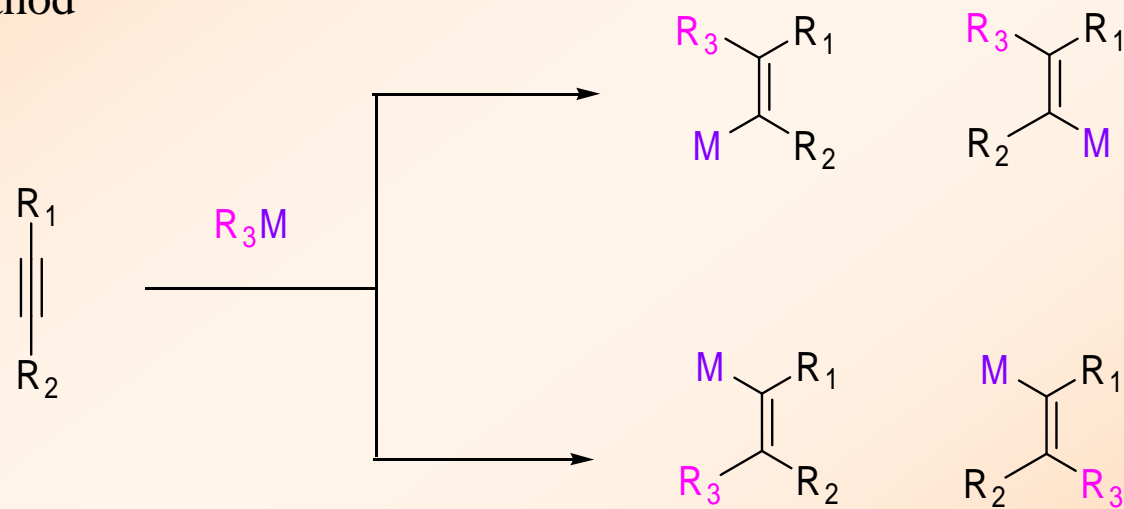
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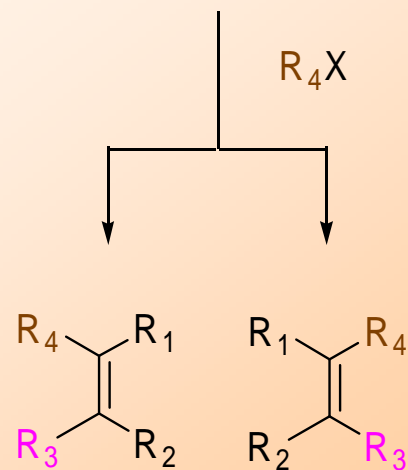
- Several processes of synthesis :
 - a) Carbometallation of alkynes
 - b) Carbonyl Olefination
 - c) Elimination reactions
 - d) Olefin metathesis
 - e) Ynolates
 - f) Cycloaddition and sigmatropic reactions
 - g) Radical cyclizations
 - h) Manipulation of existing olefins

1. General process :

- The most widely used method



- Significant structural variation



1. General process :

Problem of regioselectivity resolved by :

- using directing groups

- employing symmetrical alkynes

Stereoselectivity depends on :

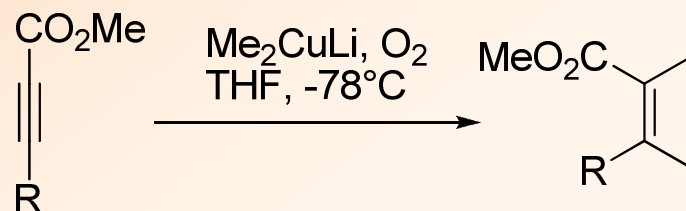
- the metal used

- the catalyst used

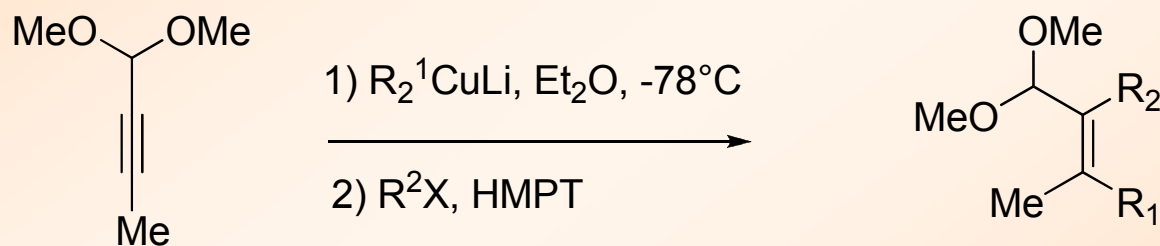
High degree of control is possible

2. Copper :

a) Carbocupration of alkynoates



b) Carbocupration of alkynyl acetals



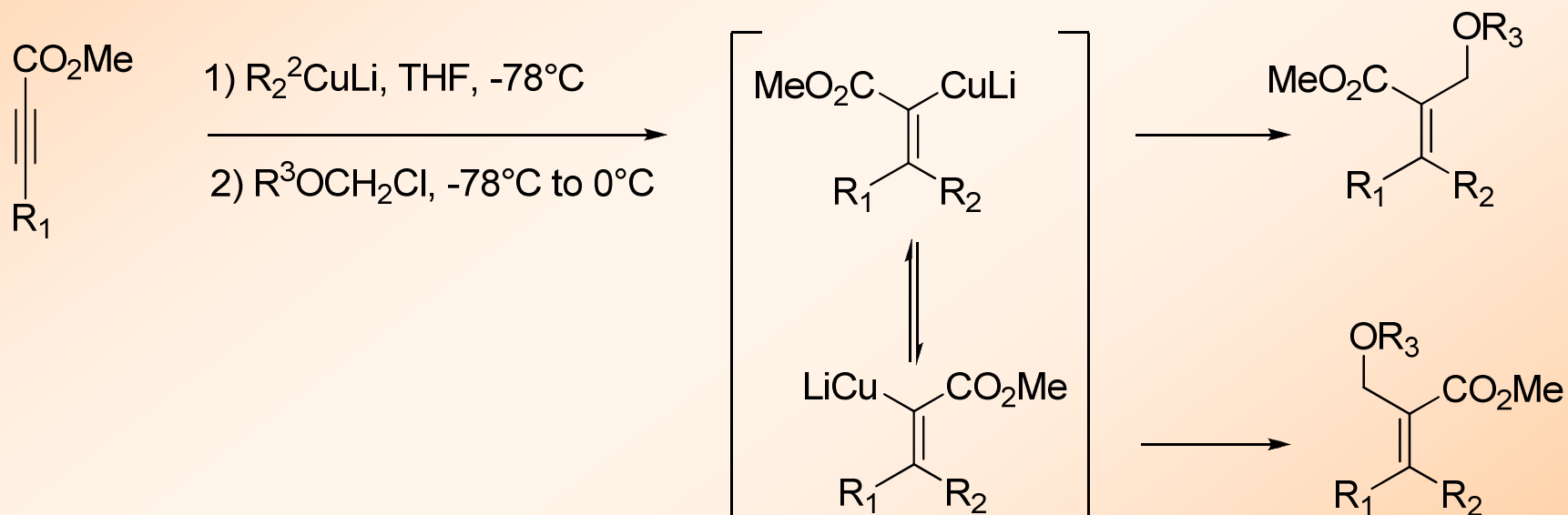
$\text{R}_1 = n\text{-Bu, R}_2 = \text{Me, } 87\%$

$\text{R}_1 = \text{Et, R}_2 = n\text{-Bu, } 78\%$

$\text{R}_1 = \text{Et, R}_2 = \text{CH=CHCH}_3, 80\%$

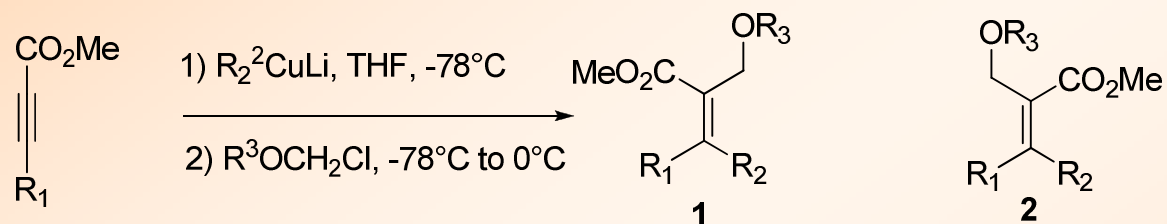
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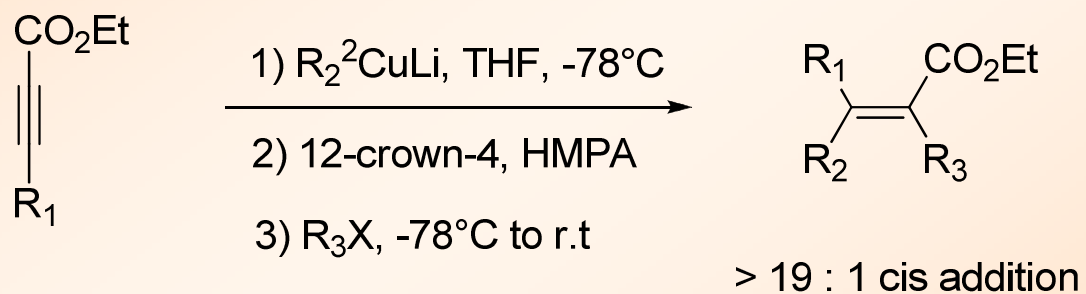
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R1	R2	R3	yield (%) (1 : 2)
TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₂	Me	BnOCH ₂	59 (24 : 1)
TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₂	Me	4-MeOC ₆ H ₄ OCH ₂	66 (6 : 1)
TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₂	Me	Me ₃ Si(CH ₂) ₂ OCH ₂	68 (>25 : 1)
TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₂	Me	MeOCH ₂	87 (25 : 1)
TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₂	Bu	Me ₃ Si(CH ₂) ₂ OCH ₂	61 (4.5 : 1)
TBDPSO(CH ₂) ₃	Me	4-MeOC ₆ H ₄ OCH ₂	72 (6 : 1)
Et	Me	BnOCH ₂	70 (10 : 1)

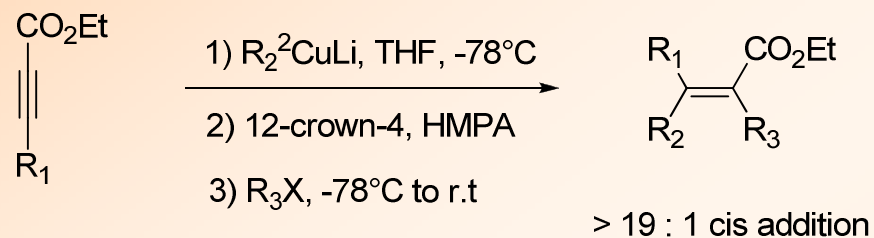
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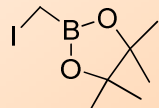
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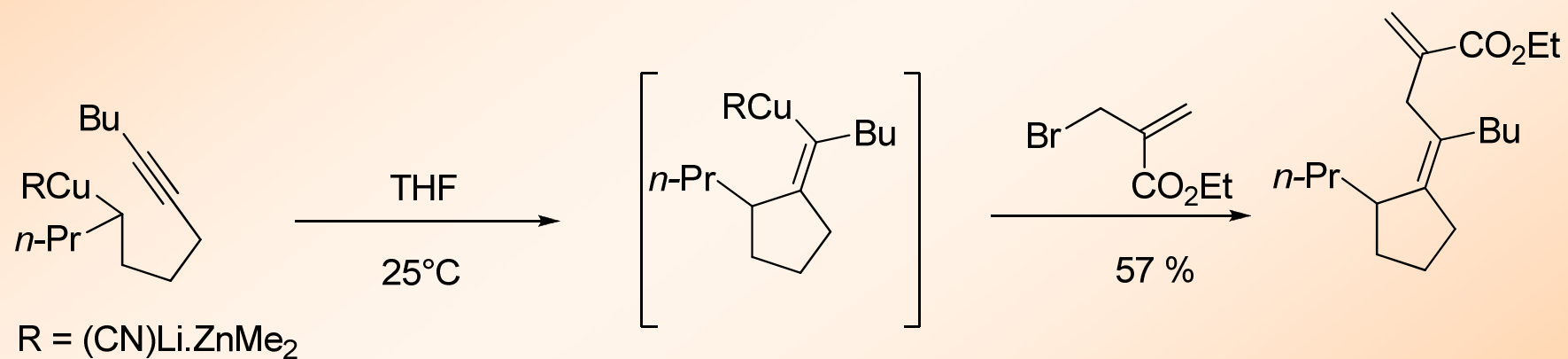
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R1	R2	R3	yield (%)
Et	Me	ICH ₂ SnBu ₃	80
Et	Me	ICH ₂ SiMe ₃	30
Et	Me	BrCH ₂ Ph	40
Et	Me	BrCH ₂ CH=CH ₂	76
Et	Me	BrCH ₂ C(Br)=CH ₂	57
Et	Me	BrCH ₂ CH=CMe ₂	78
Et	s-Bu	BrCH ₂ CH=CH ₂	72
TBDPSOCH ₂	Me	BrHCH ₃ CH=CH ₂	85
Et	Me		66

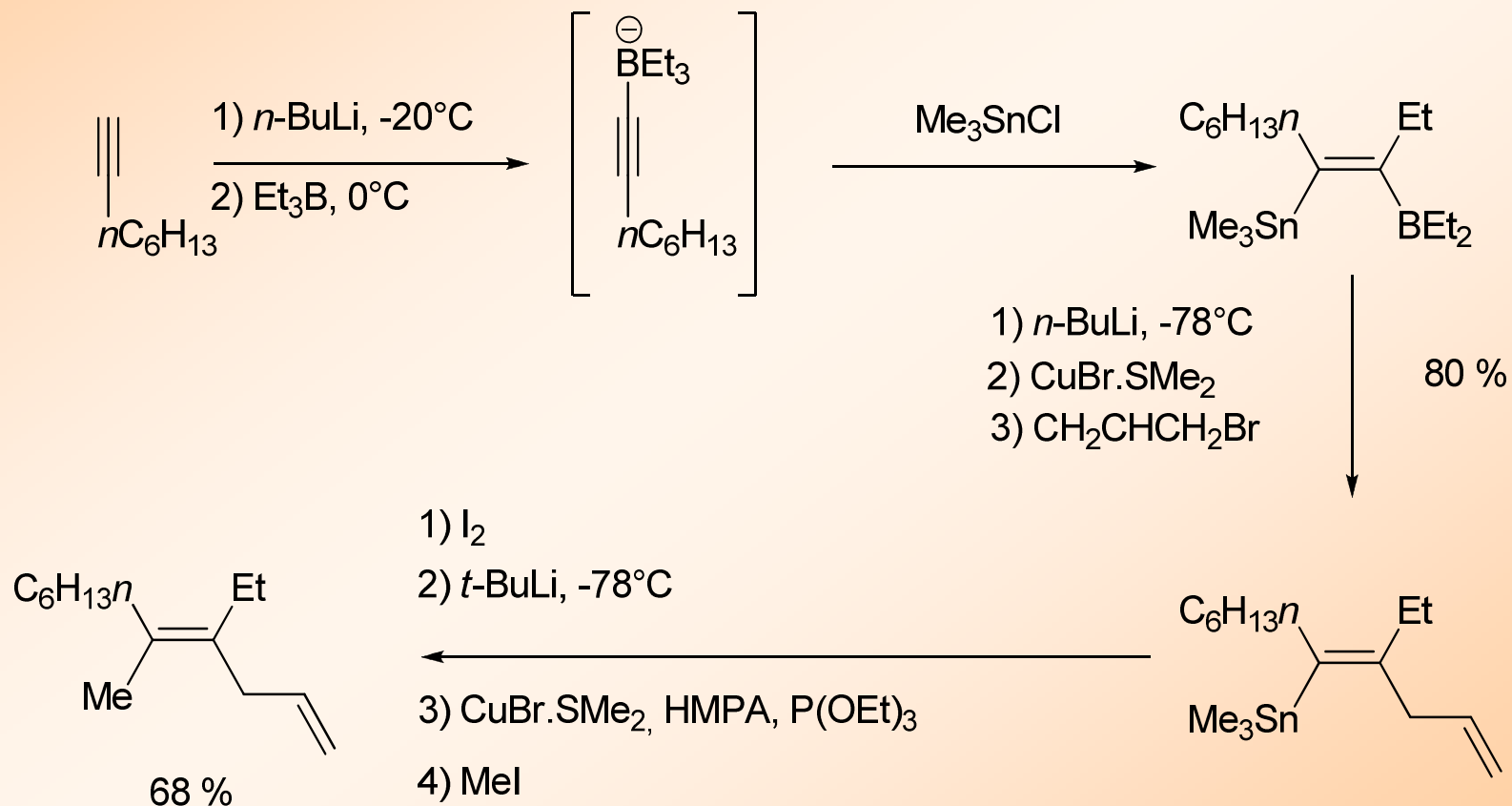
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d) Intramolecular carbocupration



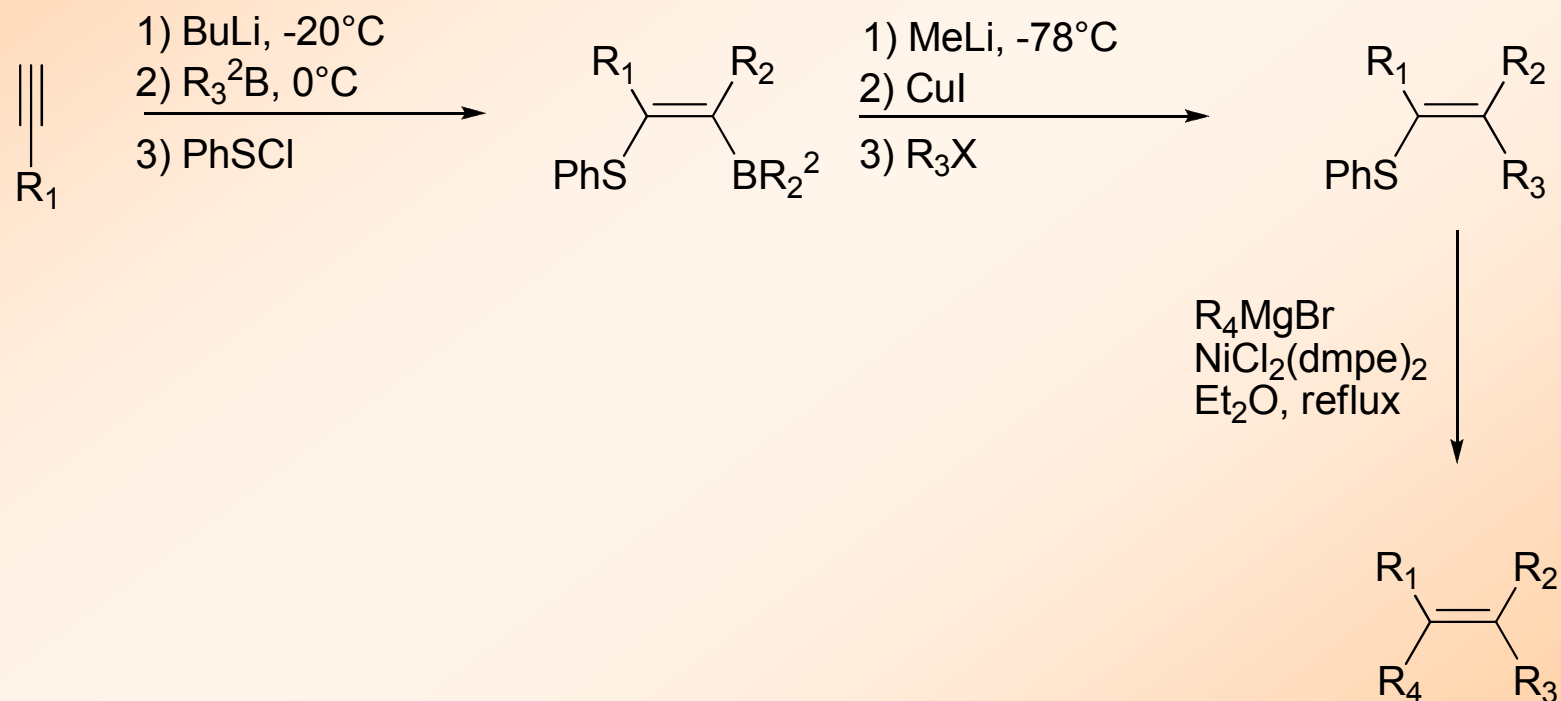
3. Boron :

a) Rearrangement of Boron Ate-Complexes to give tetrasubstituted olefins



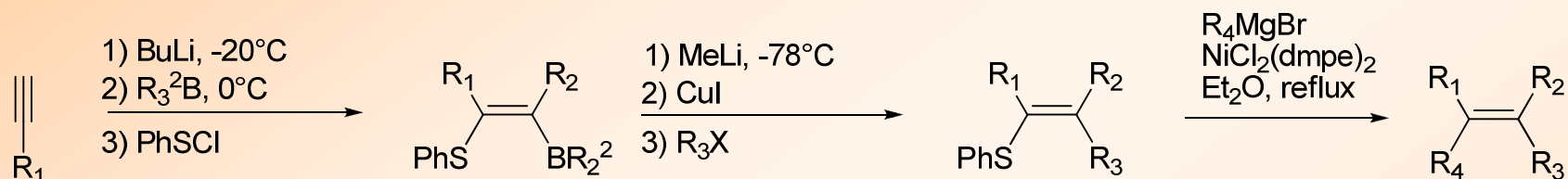
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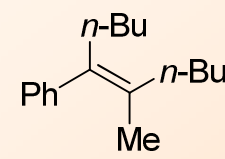
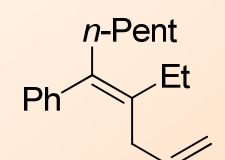
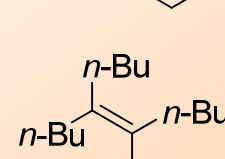
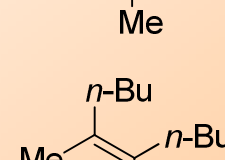
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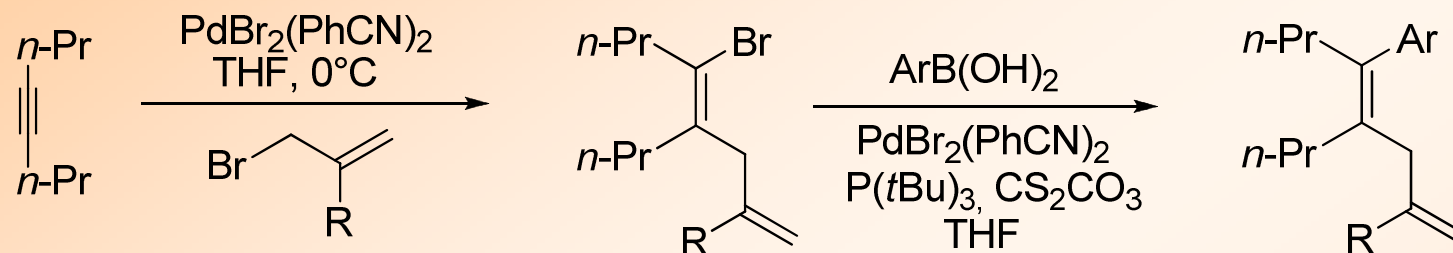
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R ₁	R ₂	R ₃	R ₄	Product	E/Z	yield (%)
<i>n</i> -Bu	<i>n</i> -Bu	Me	Ph		>99:1	82
<i>n</i> -Pent	Et	allyl	Ph		<1:99	38
<i>n</i> -Bu	<i>n</i> -Bu	Me	<i>n</i> -Bu		-	70
<i>n</i> -Bu	<i>n</i> -Bu	CH ₂ Ph	Me		>99:1	24

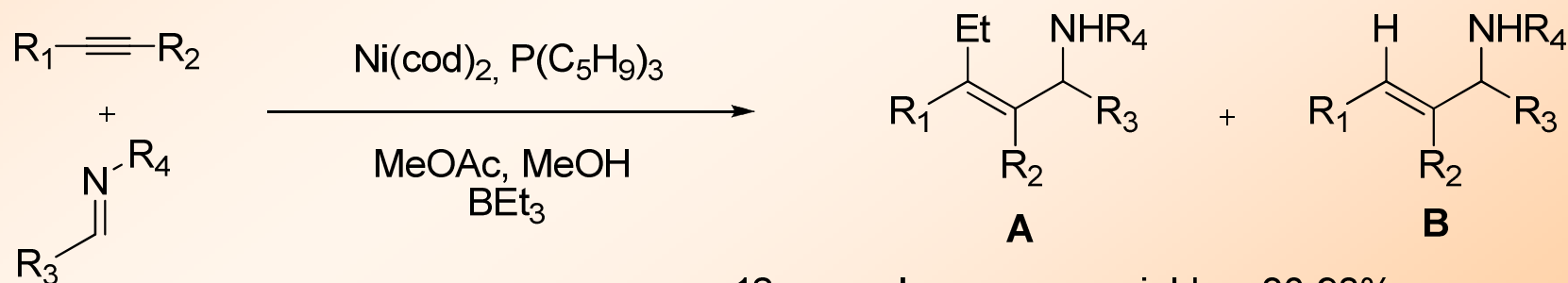
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c) Tetrasubstituted olefins in a skipped diene



R = H, Ar = 3-NO₂C₆H₄, 79 %
R = Me, Ar = *N*-tosyl-3-indoyl, 83 %

d) Multicomponent assembly of alkynes, imines and organoboron reagents



12 examples

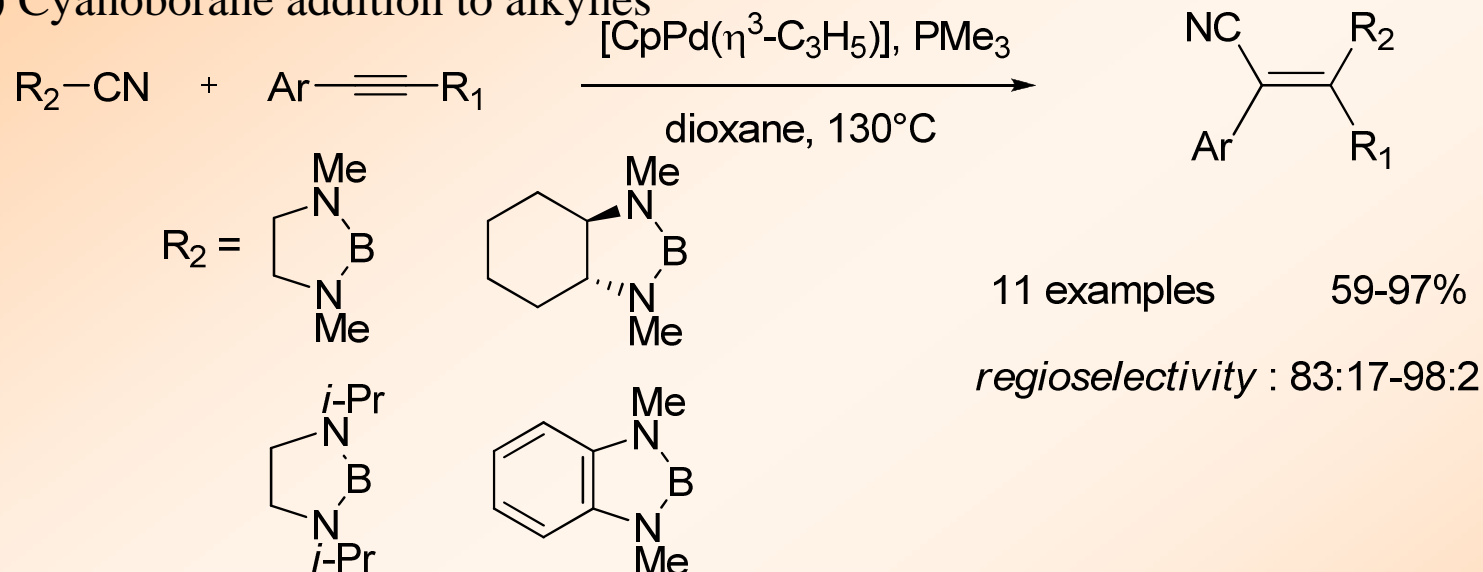
yields = 30-98%

A/B = 86/14- 96/4

regioselectivity = 89:11-93:7

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e) Cyanoborane addition to alkynes



- Conclusion :
- cis geometry for the initial carbometallation
 - loss of stereochemical information less frequent than with organocuprates.
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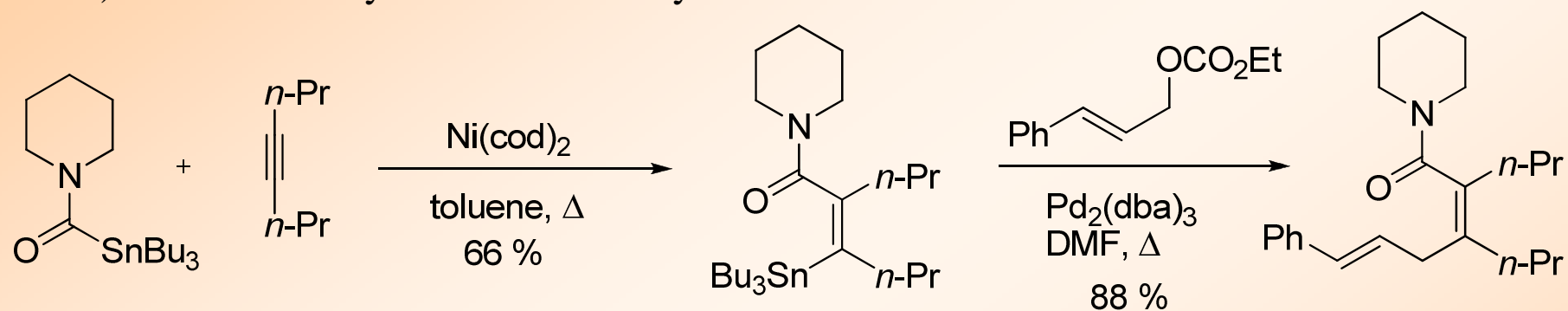
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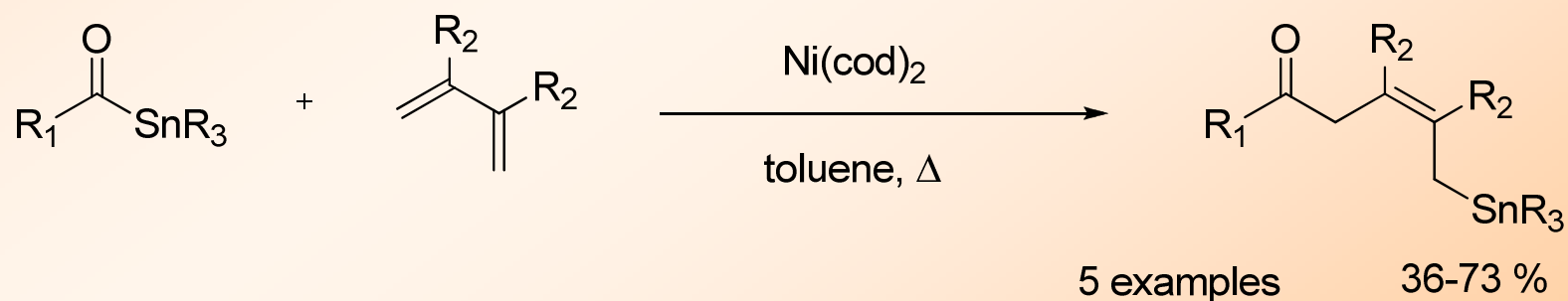
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a) Addition of acyl stannanes to alkynes

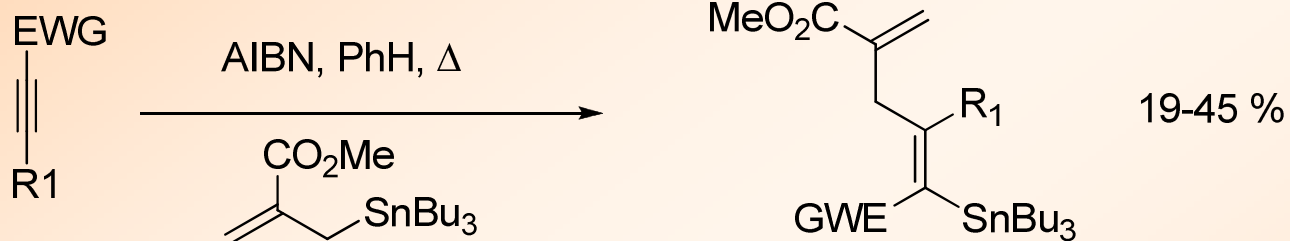


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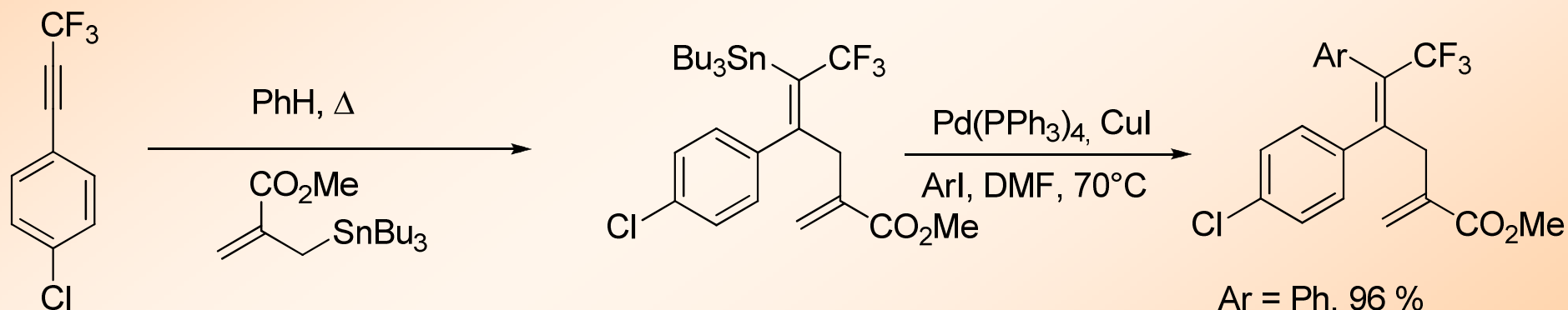


4. Tin :

c) Radical carbostannylation of alkynes



EWG = CO₂Et or CN



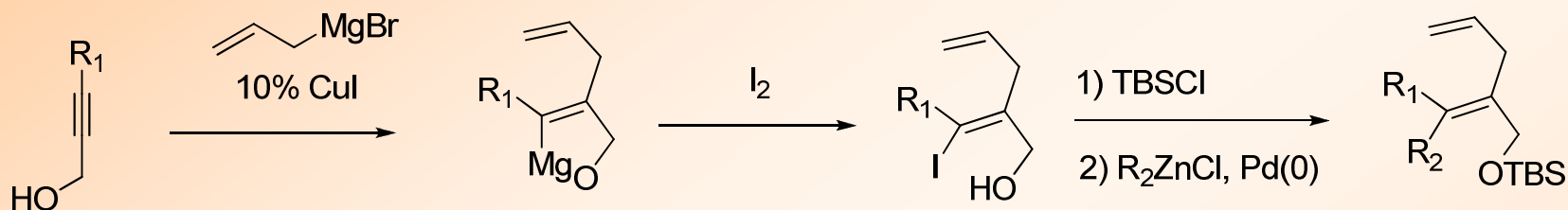
Ar = Ph, 96 %
Ar = *p*-MeOC₆H₄, 78 %
Ar = *p*-Cl-C₆H₄, 93 %

→ Conclusion : • highly stereoselective

• moderately regioselective

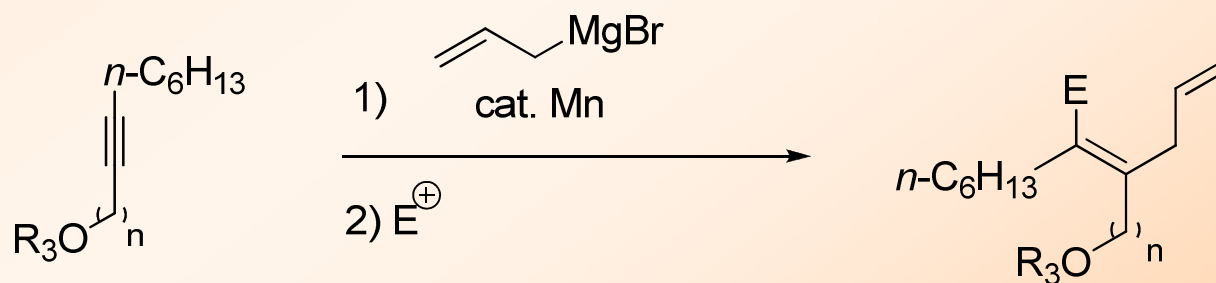
5. Magnesium :

a) Carbomagnésiation of propargylic alkynes



$R_1 = \text{Me}, R_2 = n\text{-Bu}, 86\%$
 $R_1 = n\text{-Bu}, R_2 = \text{Me}, 97\%$

b) Conversion of propargylic and homopropargylic ethers to tetrasubstituted olefins



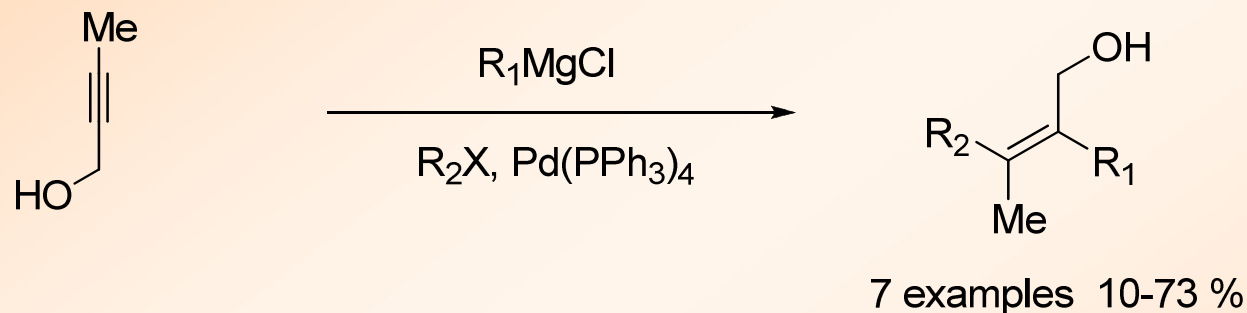
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c) Three component coupling of alkenes and dienes

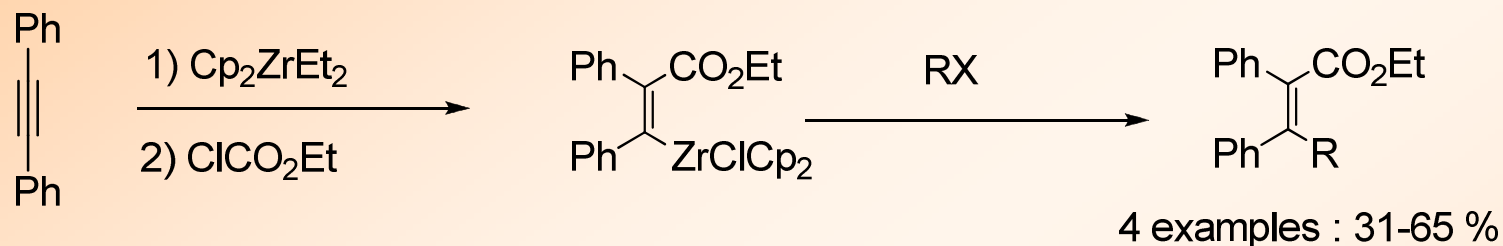


→ Conclusion : • trans addition

- initial stereochemistry preserved in the subsequent coupling
- using directing groups achieves reliable regioselectivity
- works only with propargylic or homopropargylic alcohols

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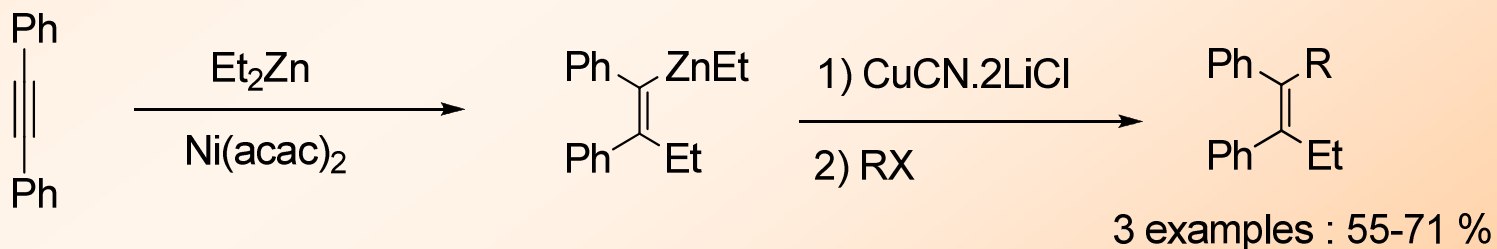
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→ high degree of stereoselectivity

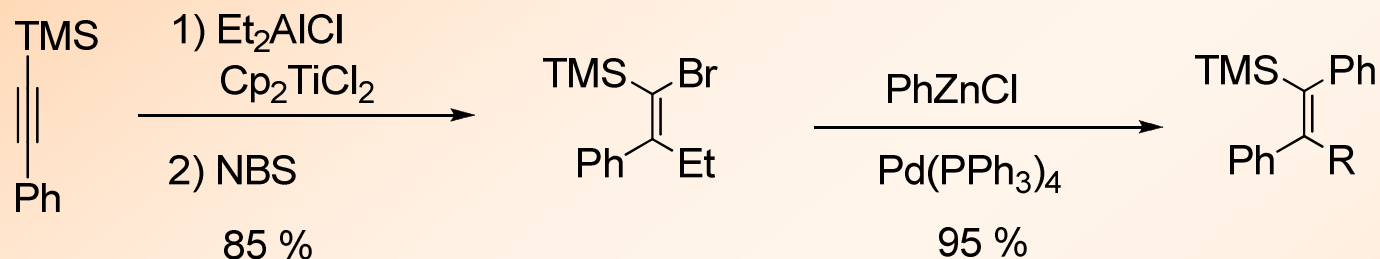
→ syn isomers

b) Carbozincation :

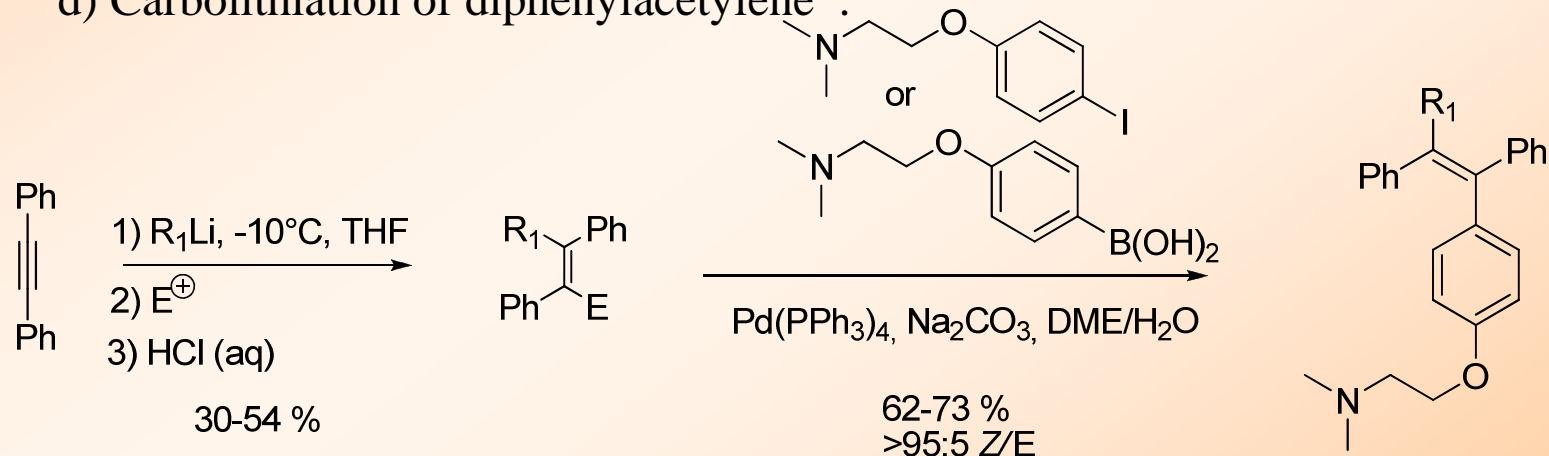


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c) Carboalumination :



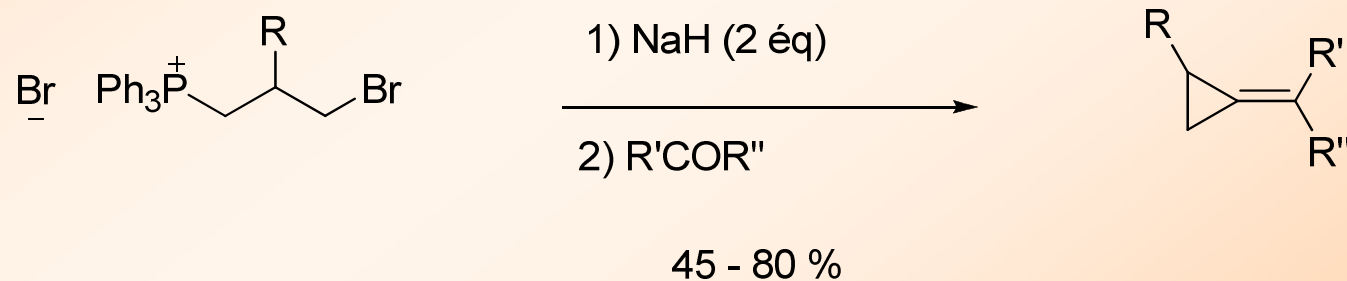
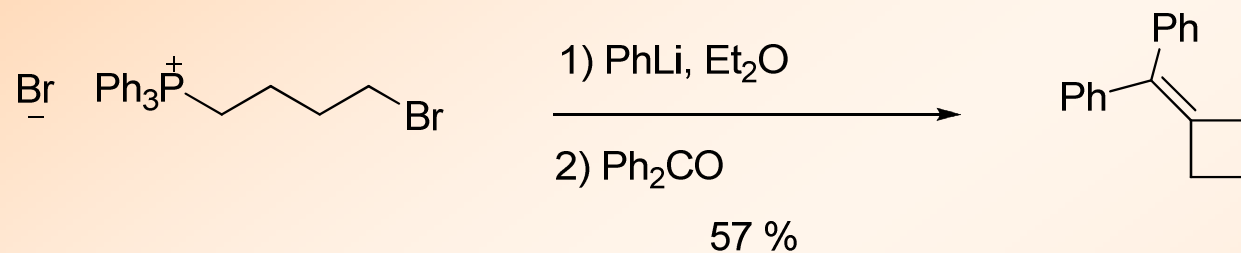
d) Carbolithiation of diphenylacetylene :



- Conclusion :
- Access to various tetrasubstituted double bonds
 - High degree of control is possible
 - Stereoselectivity influenced by the type of metal used and the type of catalyst used
 - Regioselectivity addressed by using directing groups or by employing symmetrical alkynes.
 - To synthesise (Z) double bond, the most effective is the boron
 - To synthesise (E) double bond, the most effective is the magnesium.

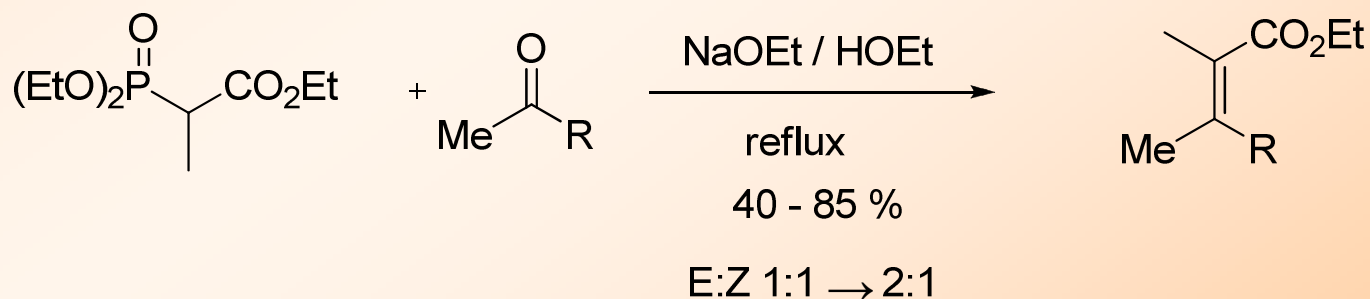
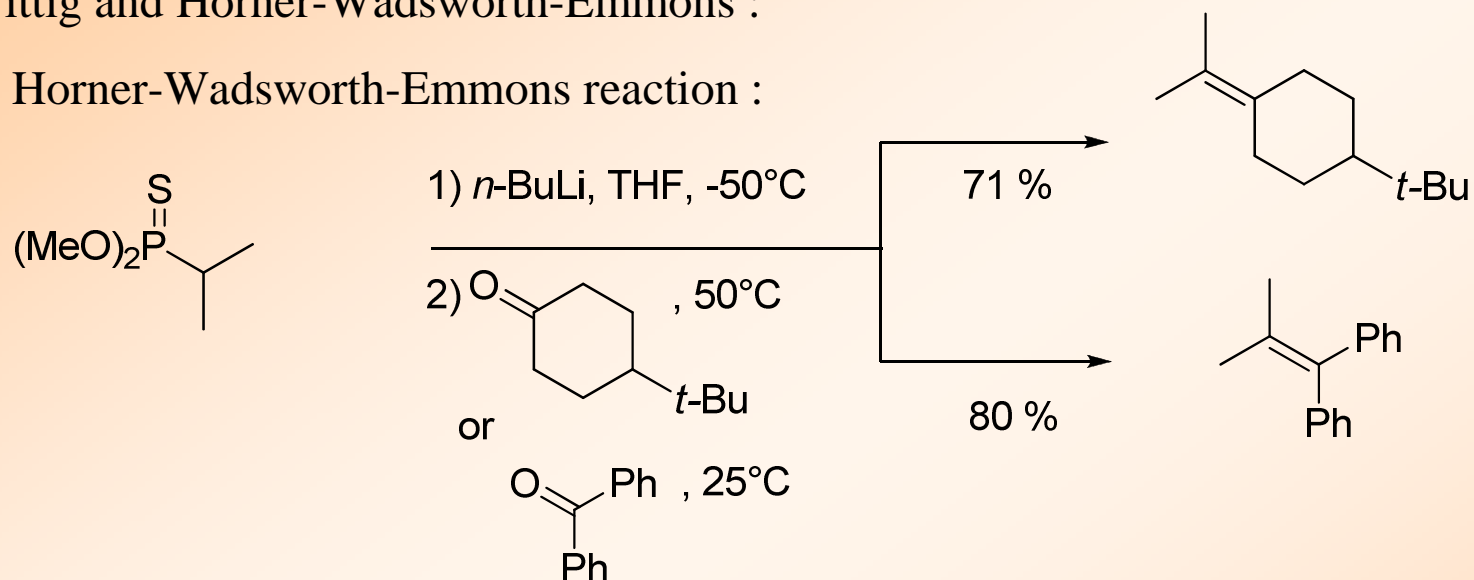
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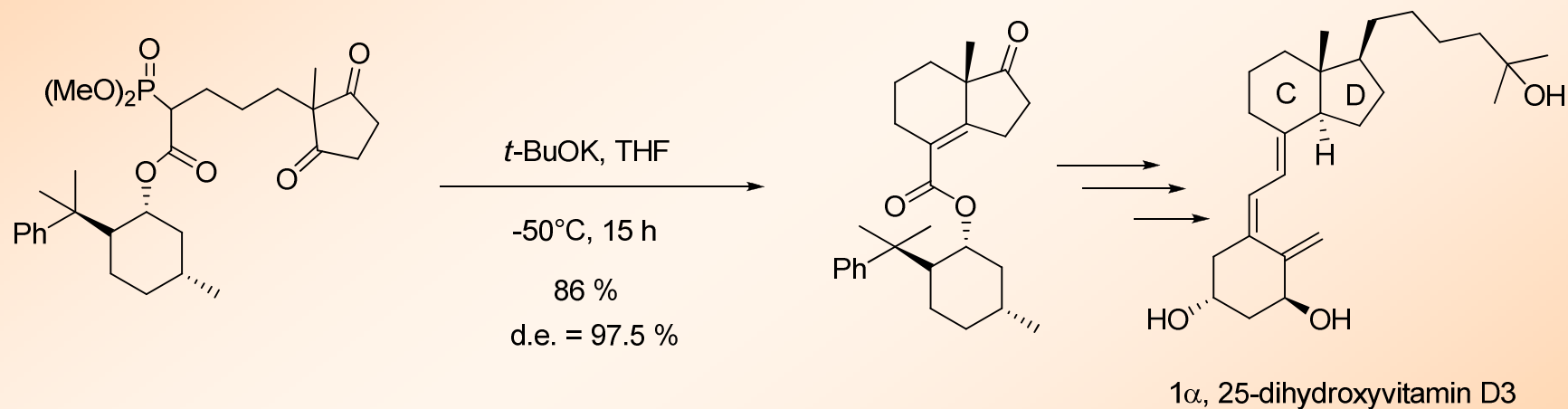
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b) Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons reaction :



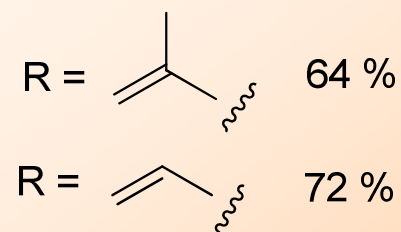
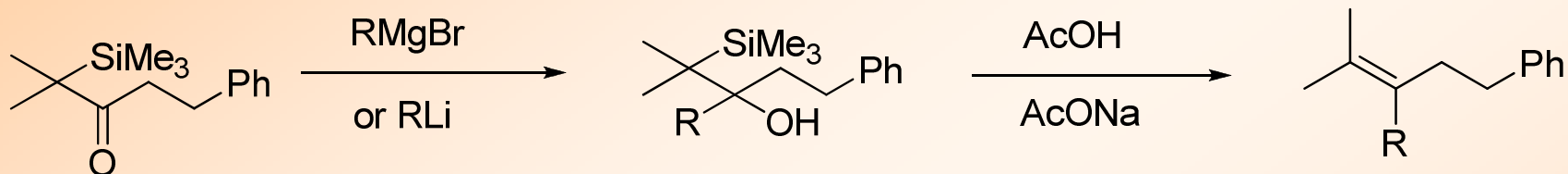
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c) Intramolecular diastereoselective Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons reaction :

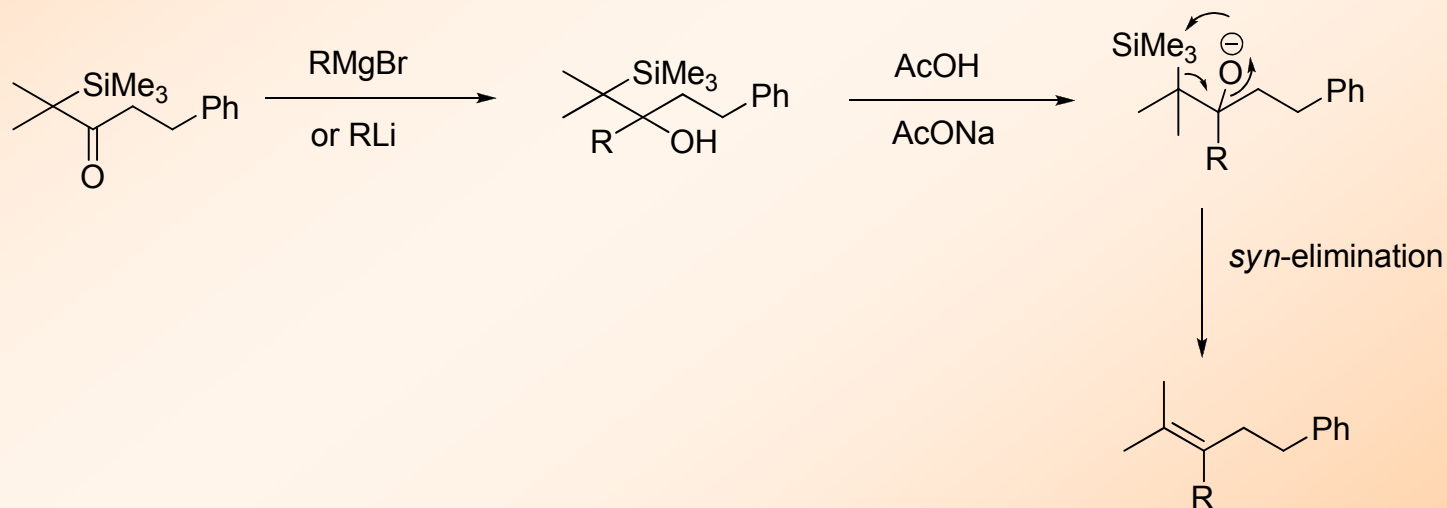


2. Peterson and Julia-Lythgoe Olefination :

a) Peterson olefination : → limited process : only one example

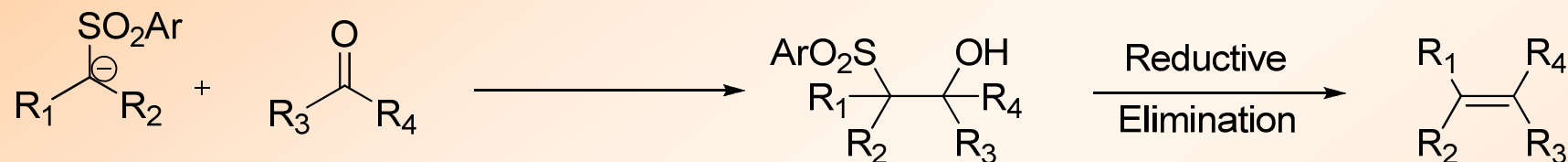


→ General mechanism :

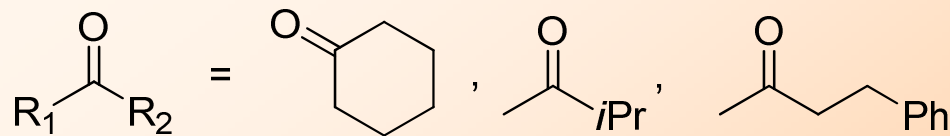
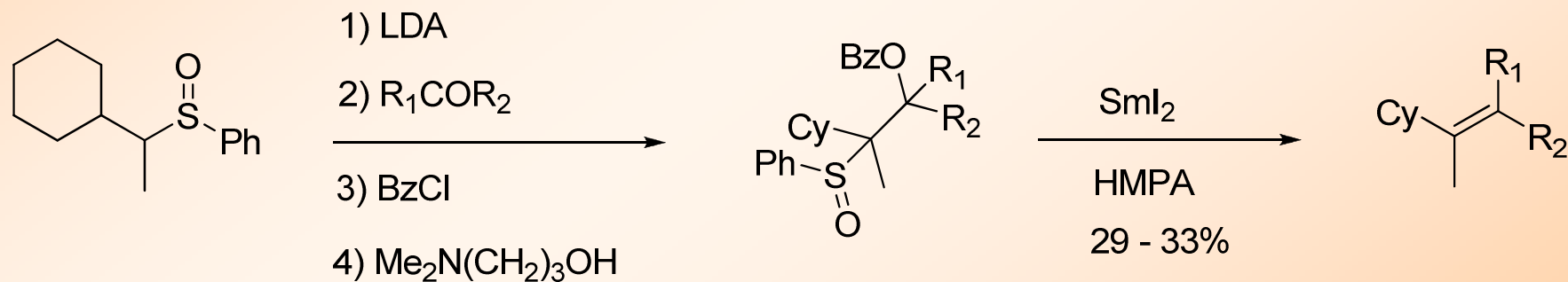


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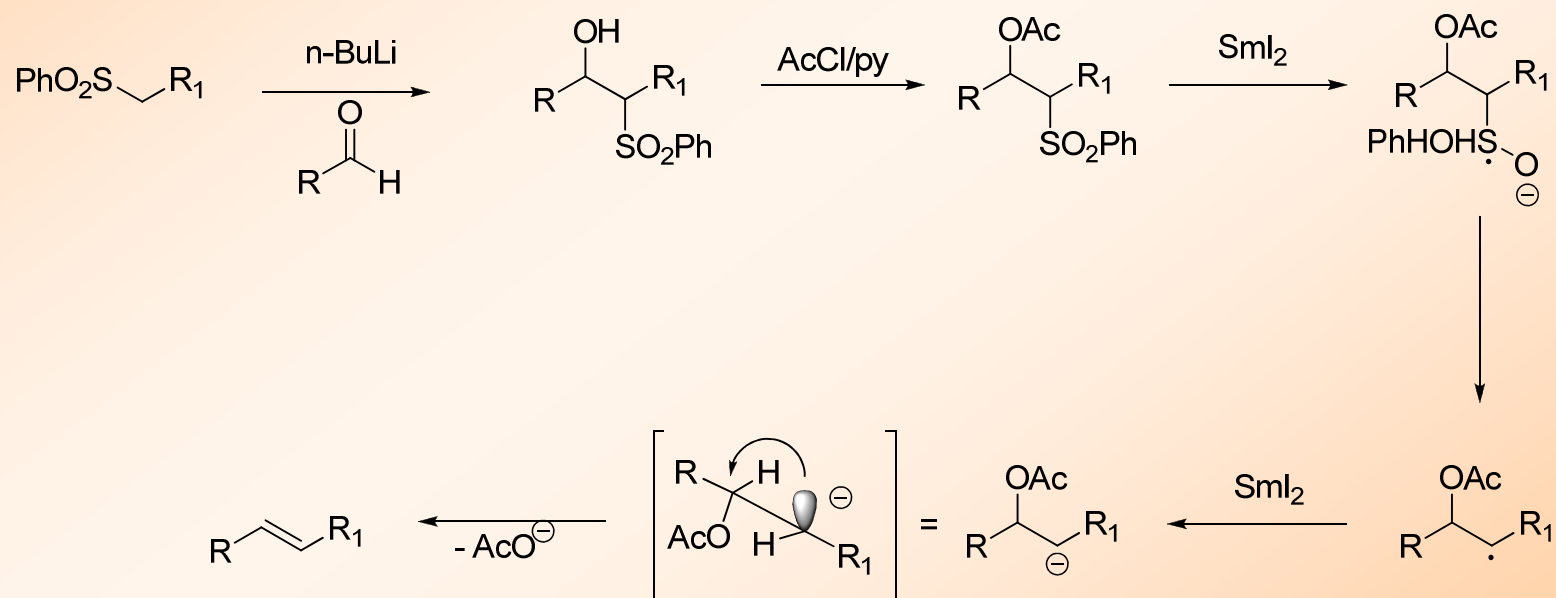
→ difficult reaction between secondary α -sulfonyl carbanions and ketones



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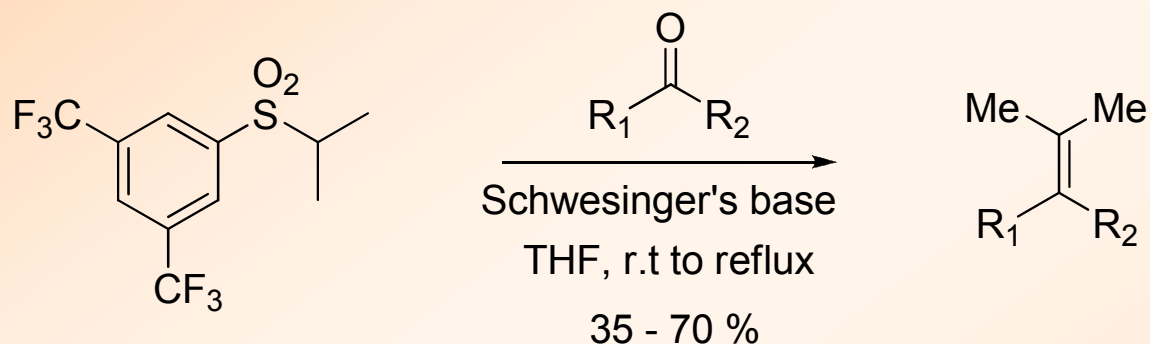
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c) Julia-Kocienski olefination of electron-deficient sulfones with ketones :



→ Conclusion : •widely used for formation of mono- and disubstituted olefins

- limited for synthesis of tetrasubstituted olefins
- the most effective is the McMurry reaction

→ Various processes to synthesize tetrasubstituted olefins

→ Generally, the most used processes to synthesise double bonds are the carbometallation of alkynes and the carbonyl olefination

→ In our case, the most effective is the carbometallation of alkynes.