

Literature Report IX

Visible Light-Promoted Deracemization of α -Amino Aldehyde by Synergistic Chiral Primary Amine and Hypervalent Iodine Catalysis

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Research:

- ❑ Biomimetic Catalysis
- ❑ Asymmetric Catalysis
- ❑ Organic Synthesis Methodology
- ❑ Artificial Intelligence in Chemistry

Background:

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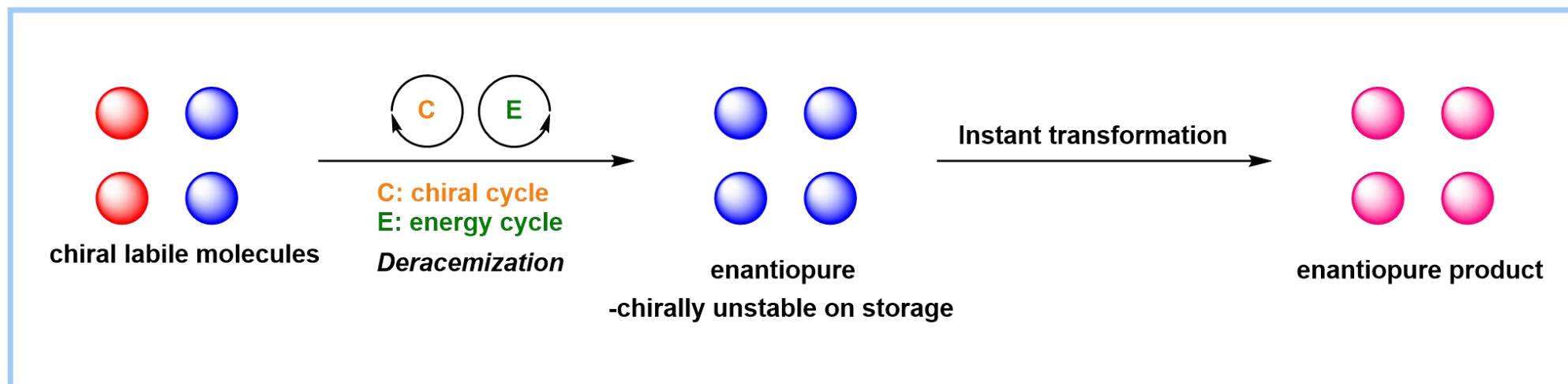
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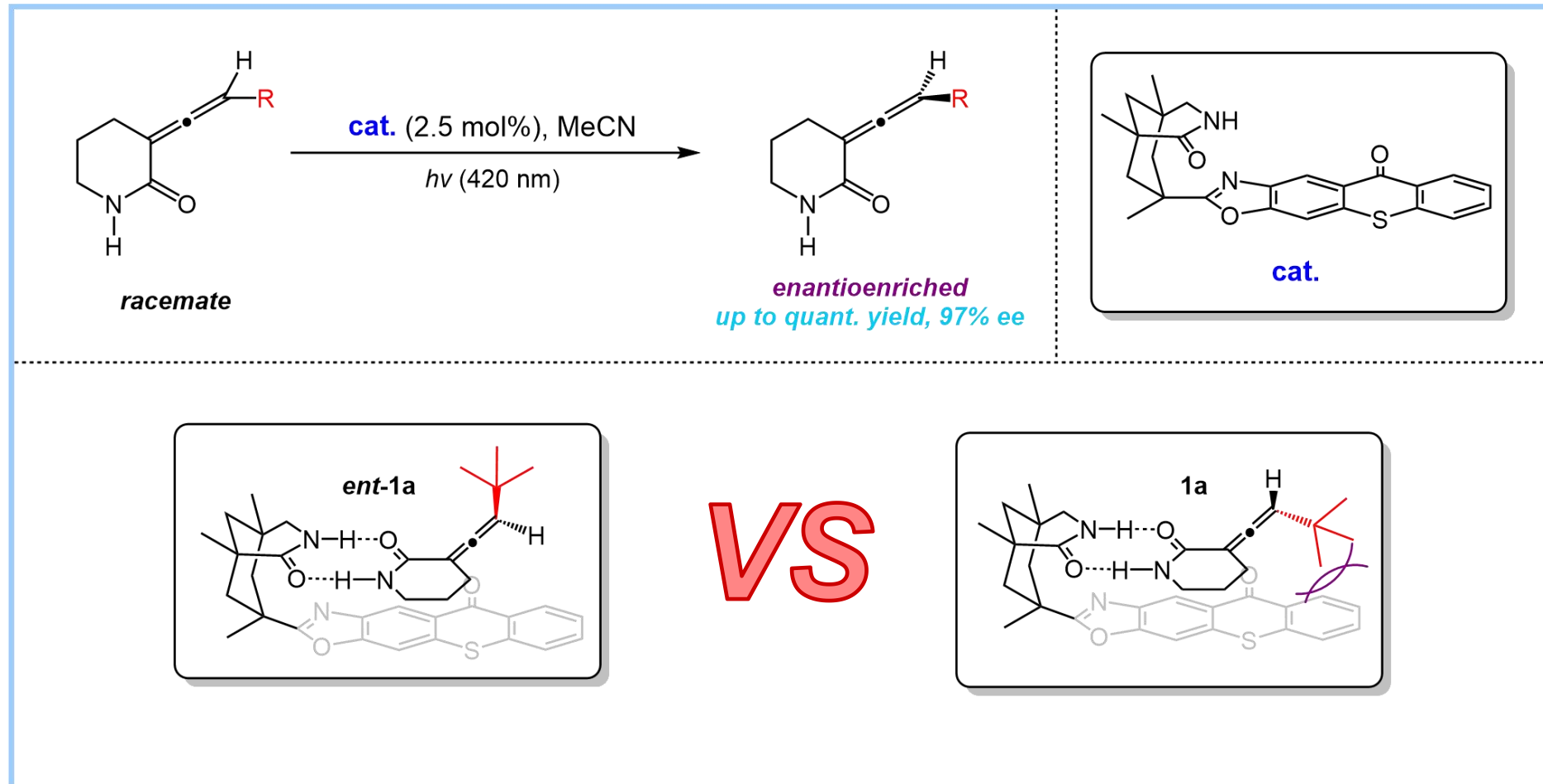
Deracemization: effective asymmetric synthesis with chiral labile molecules



- Deracemization achieves 100% yield, bypassing asymmetric synthesis bottlenecks.
- It converts accessible racemates into enantioenriched products unreachable currently.
- Structural identity avoids purification, enabling direct use for labile molecules.

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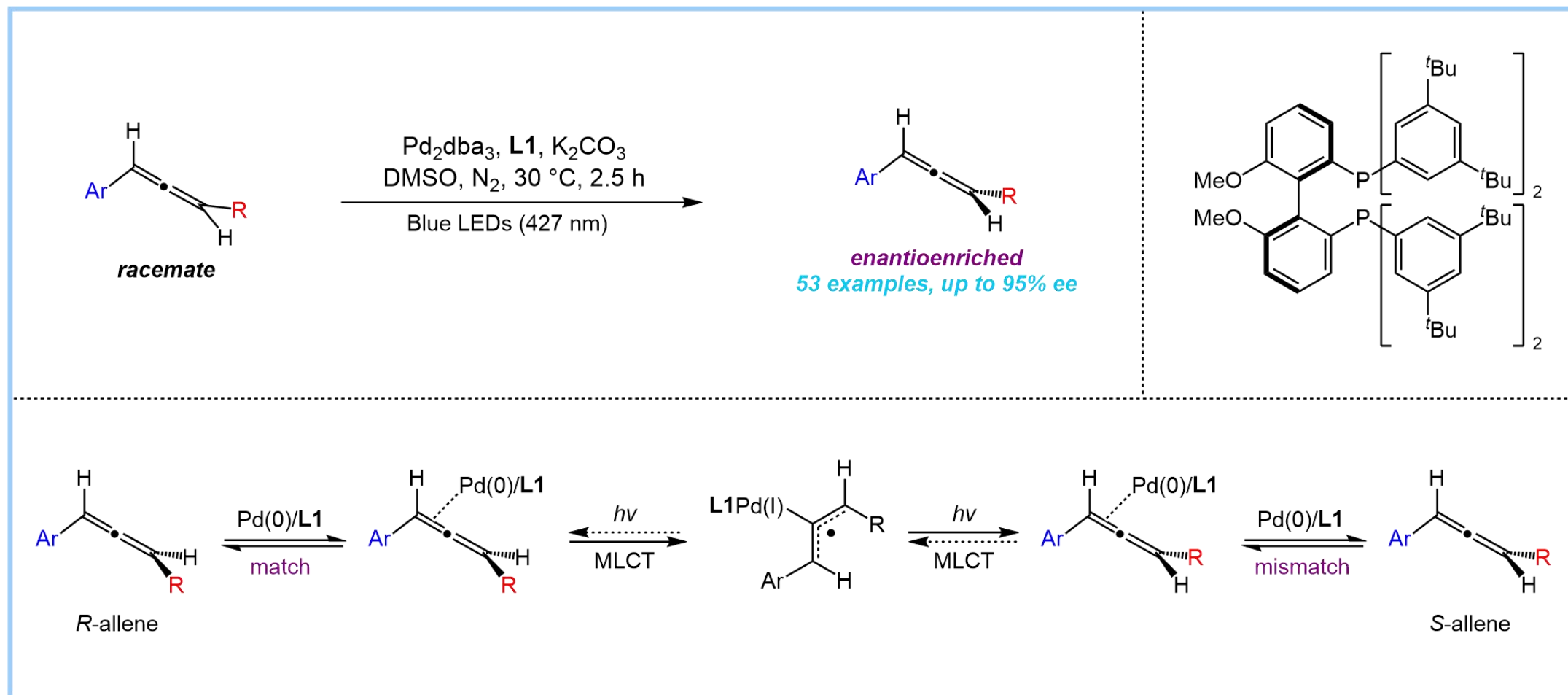
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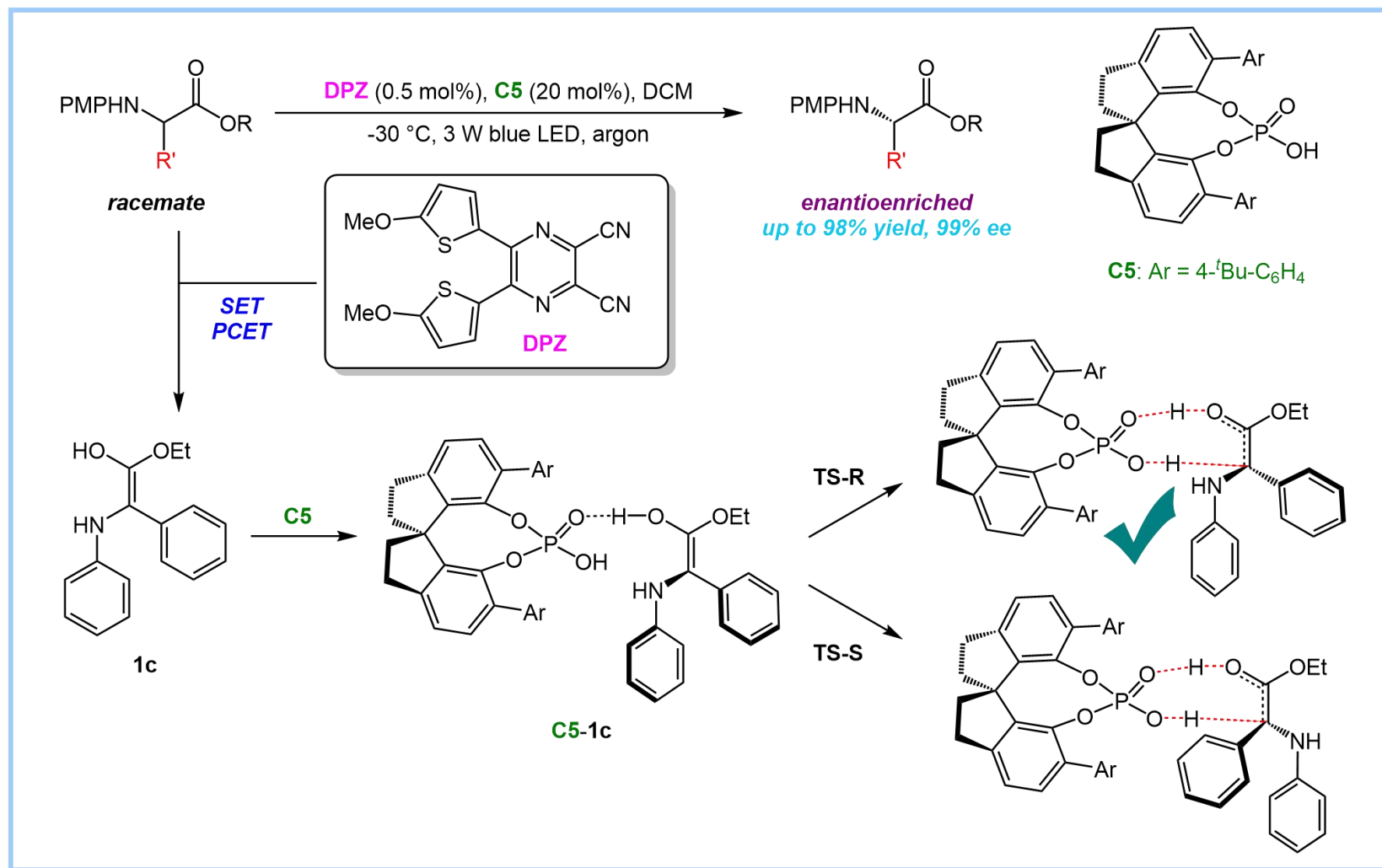
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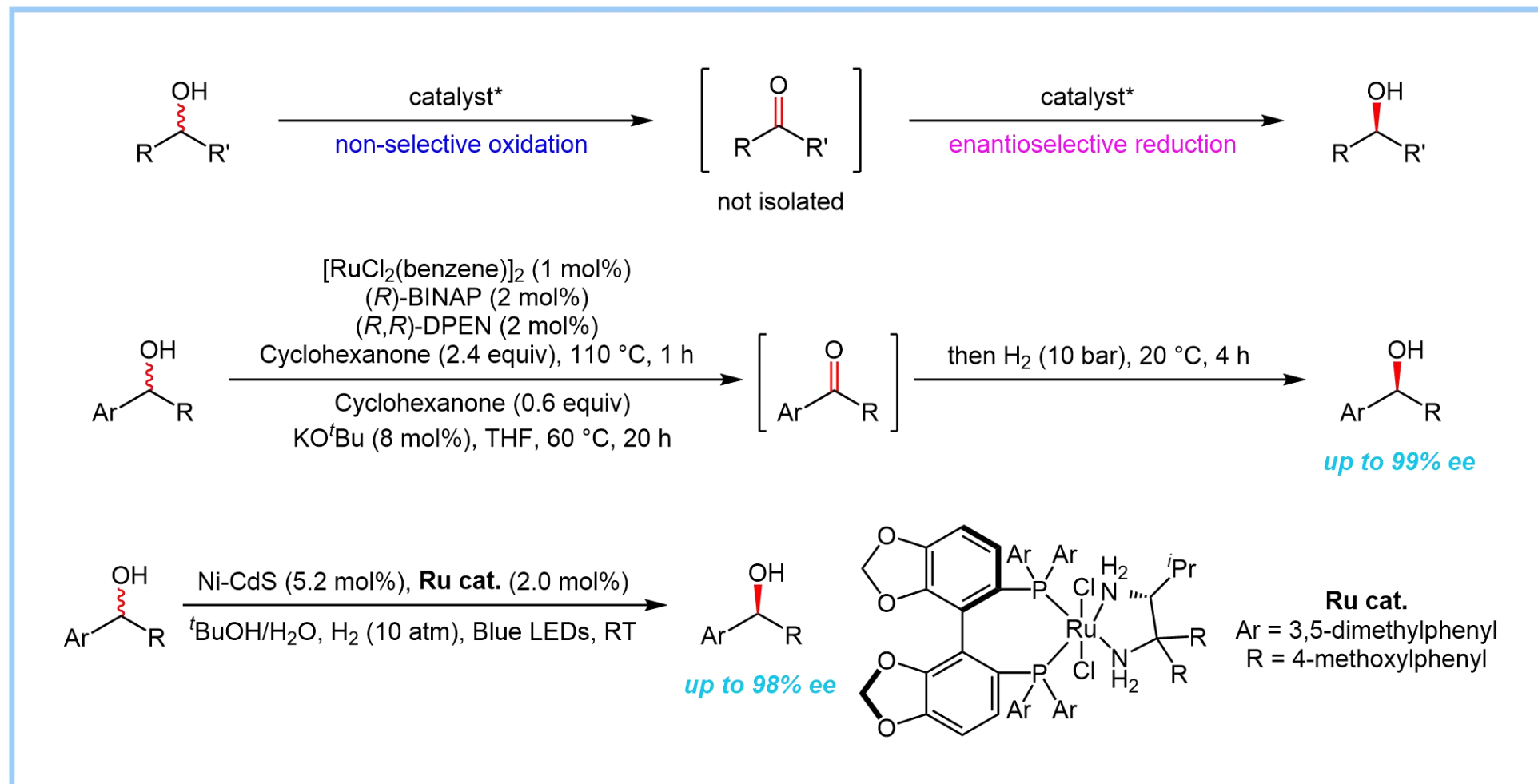
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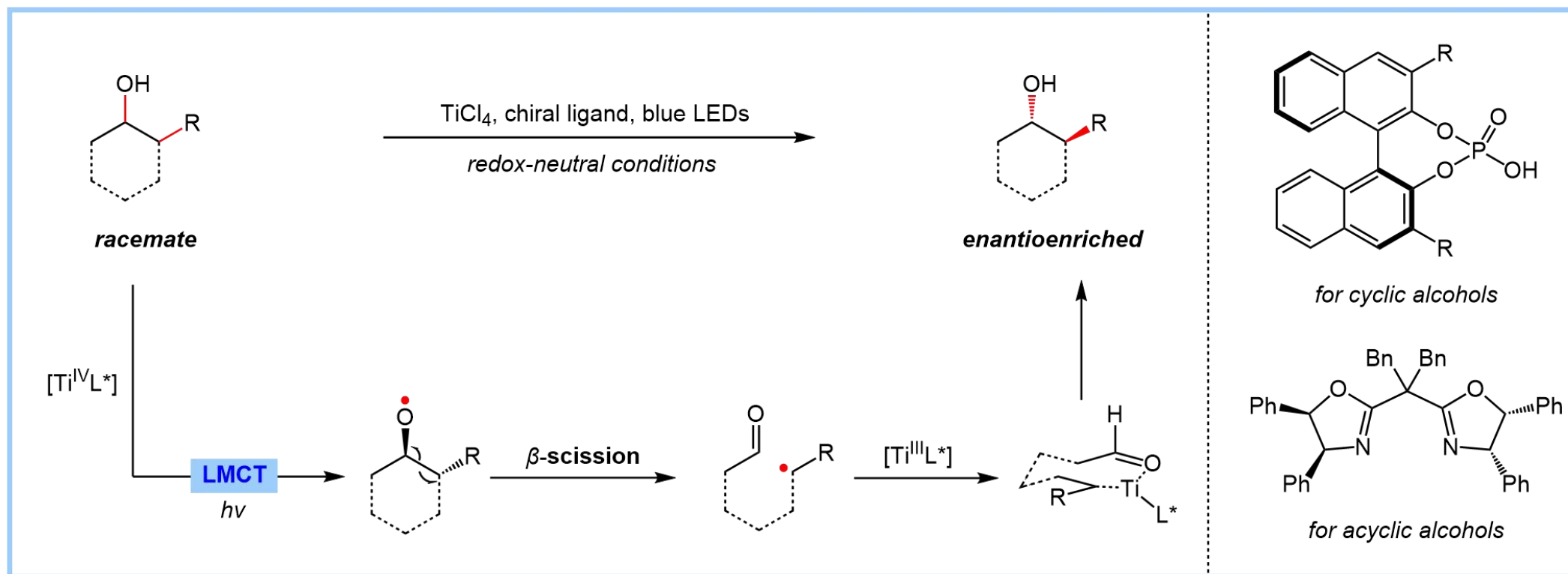


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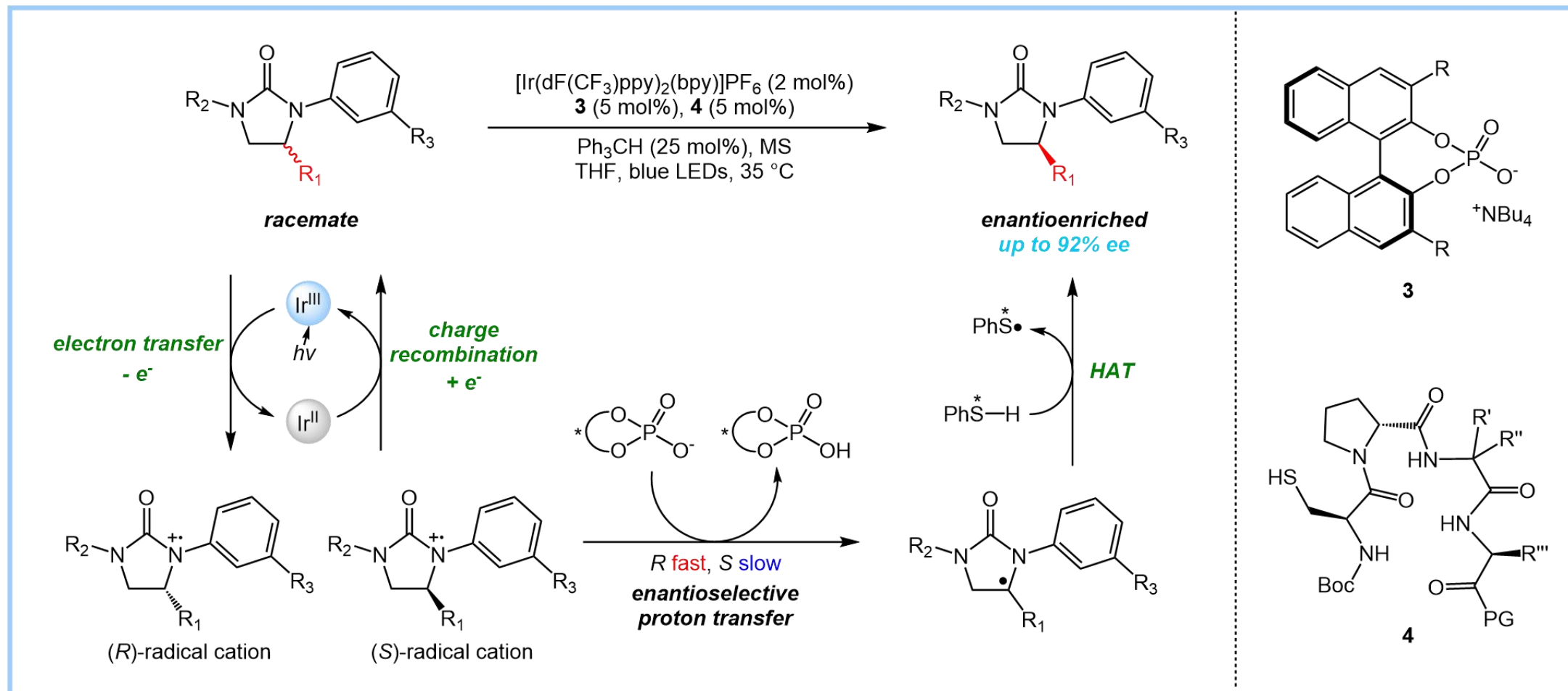
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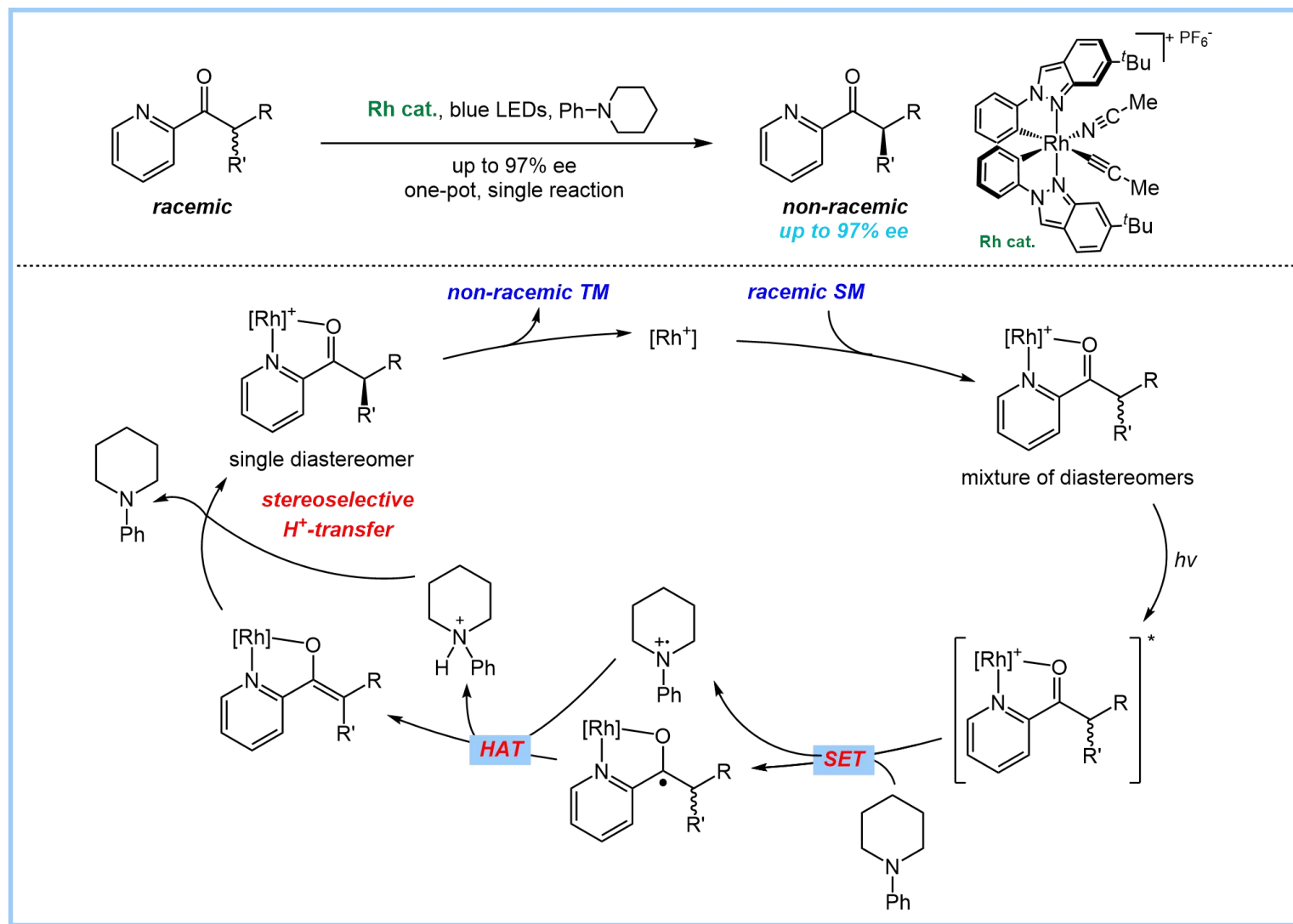
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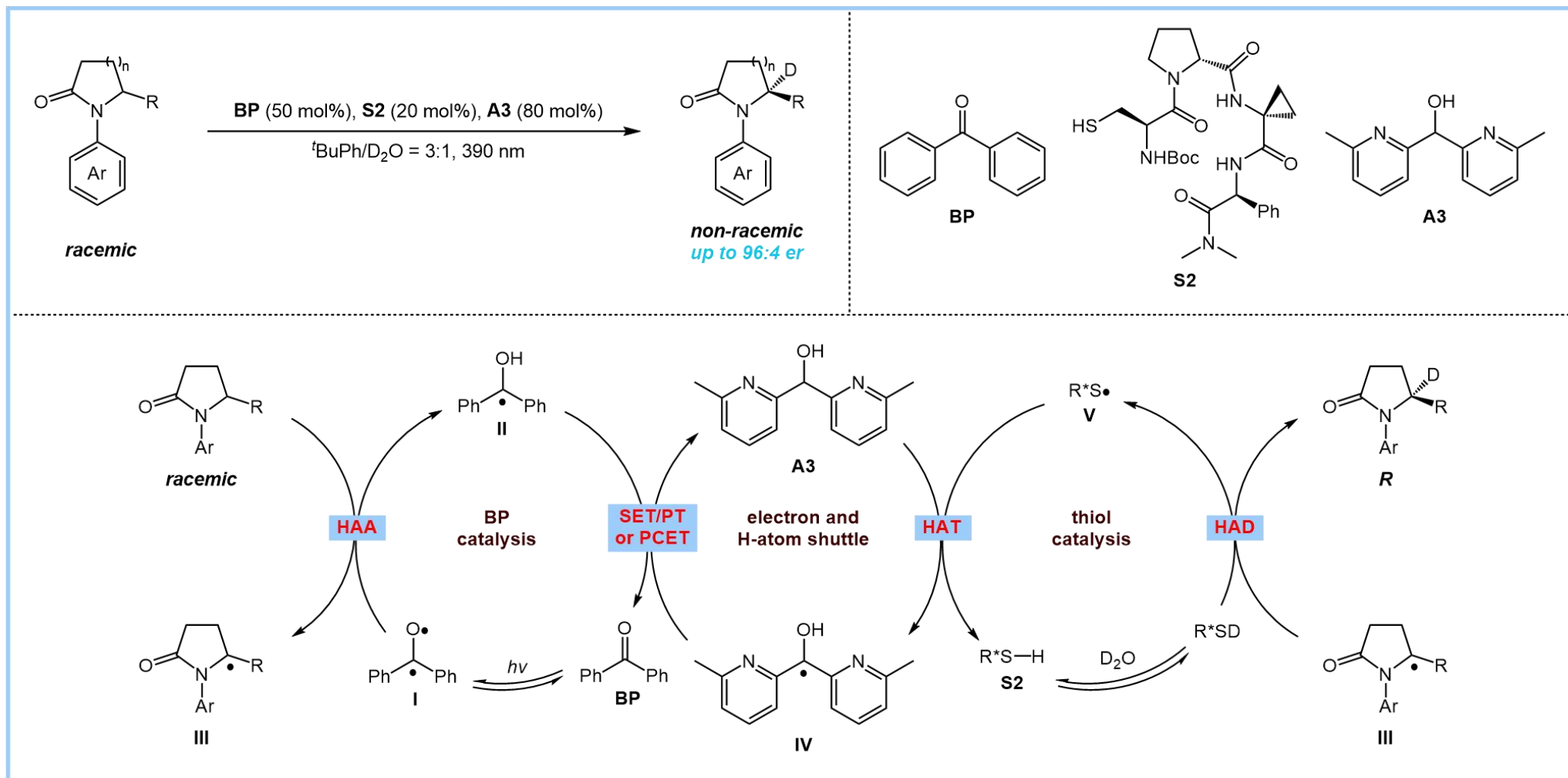
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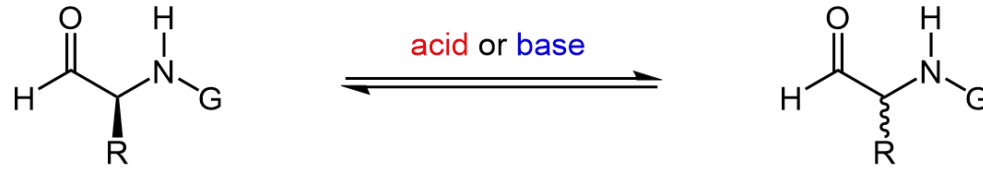
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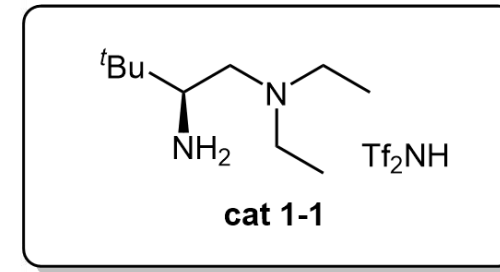
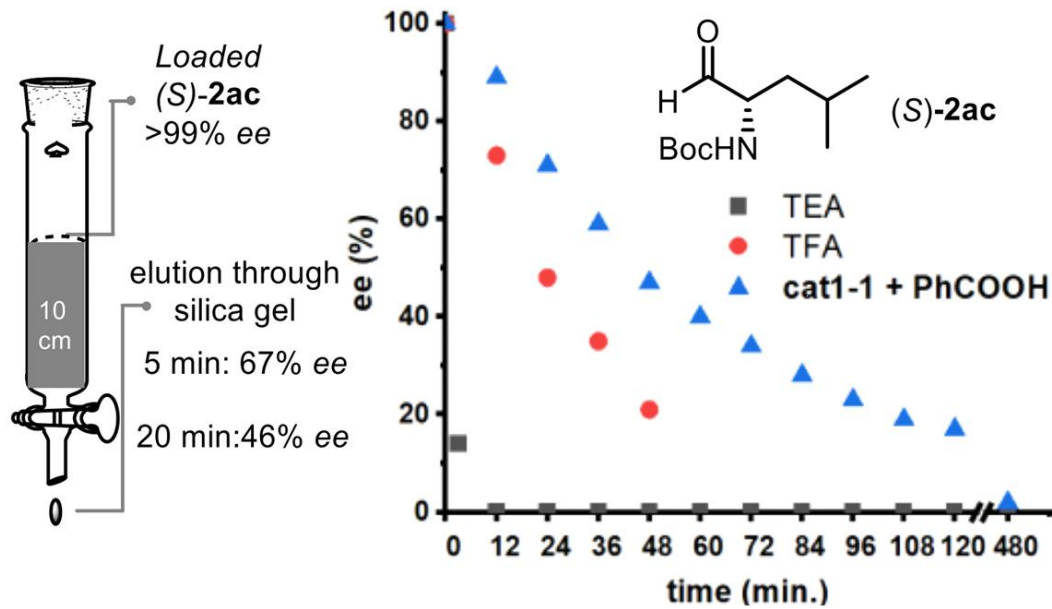
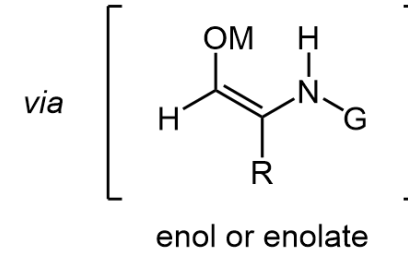


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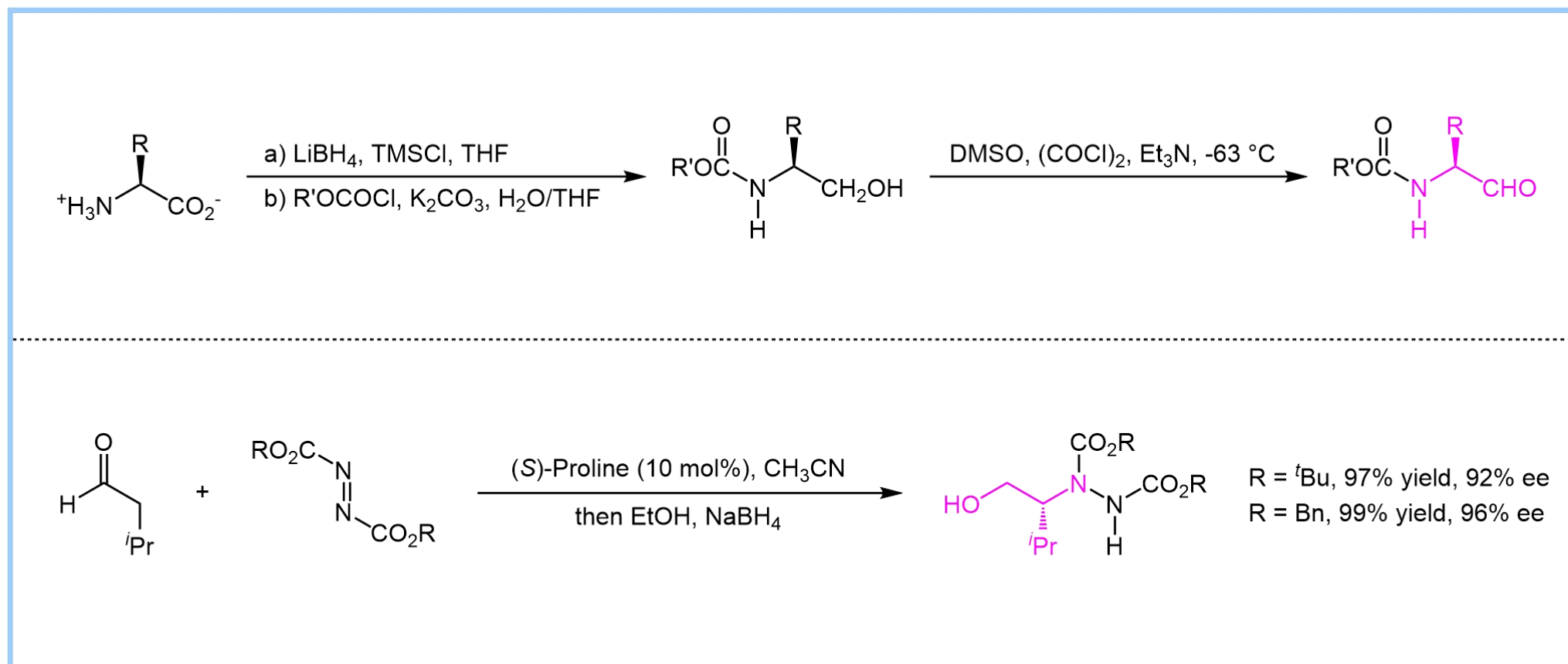


♥ versatile synthon ♥ easy racemizable



Introduction

Traditional approach to preparing α -Amino Aldehyde

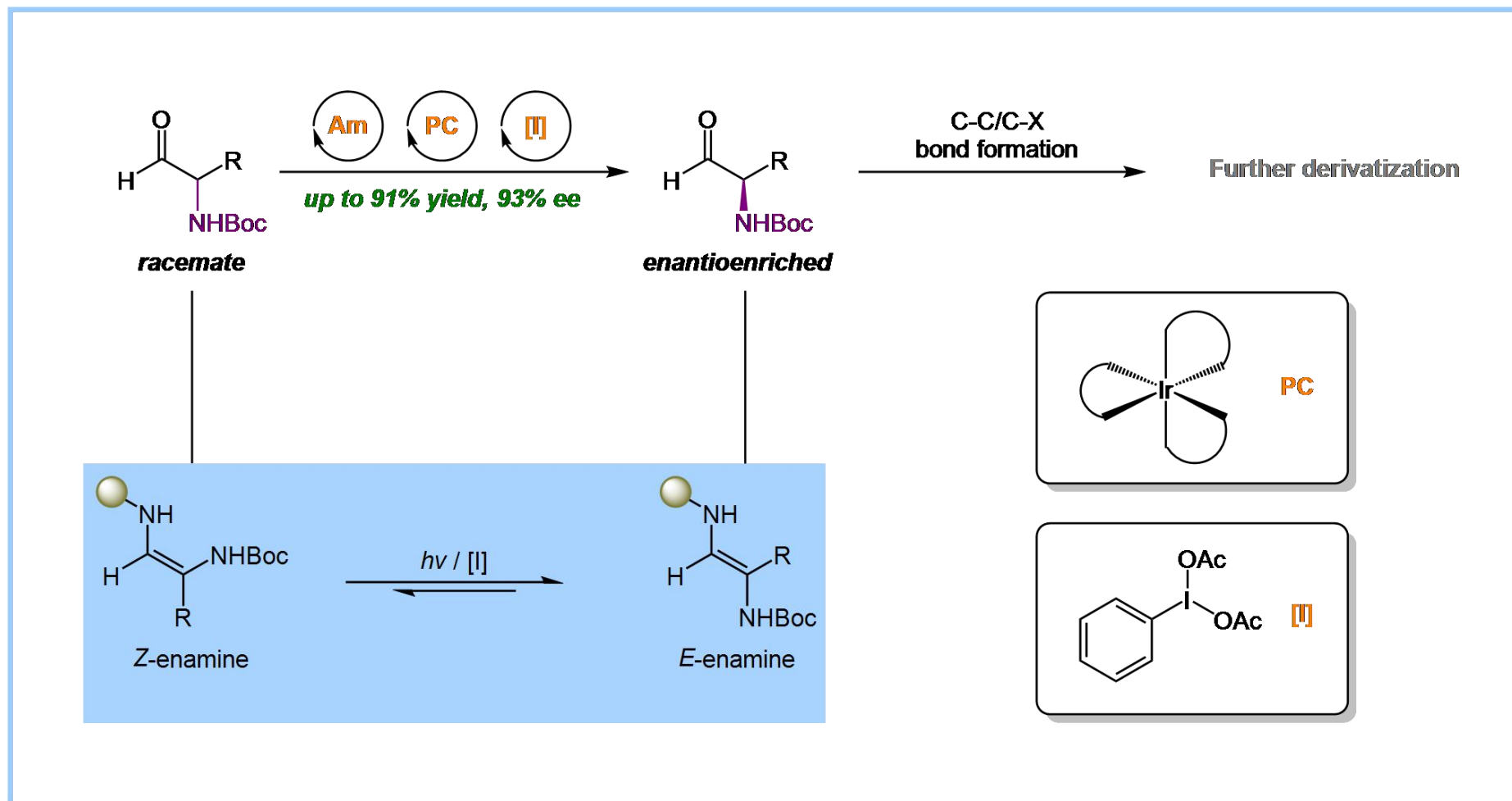


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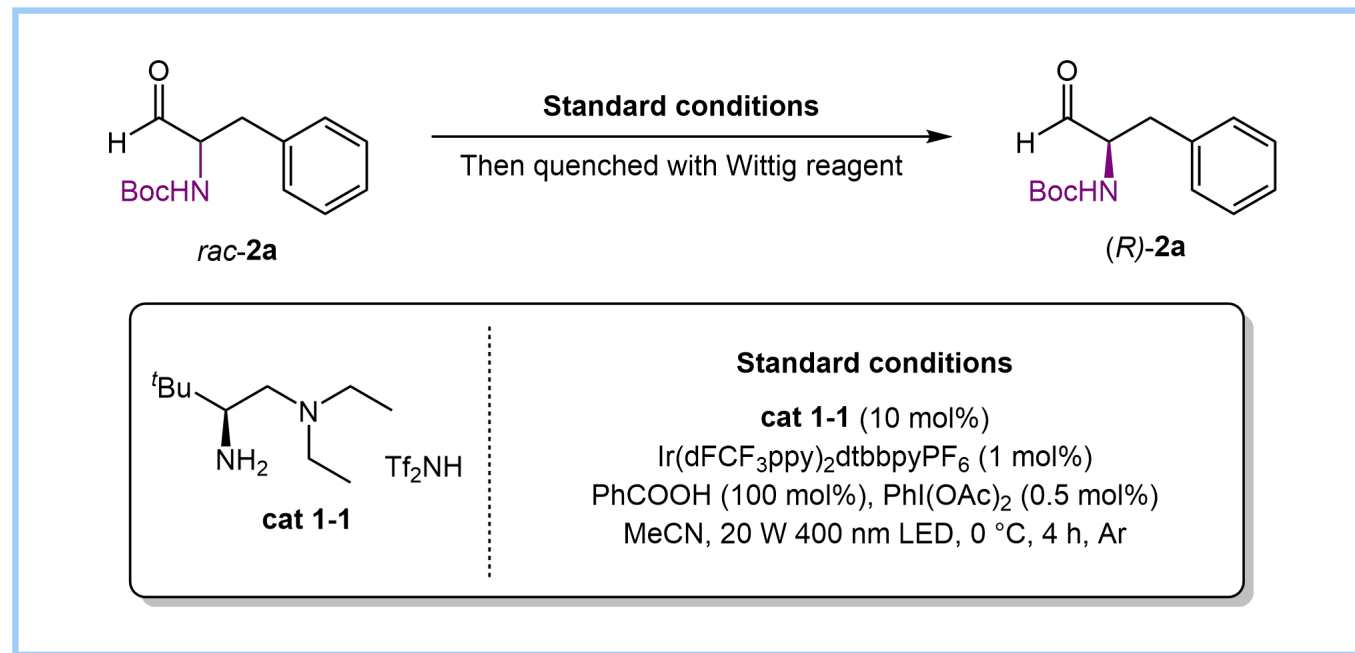
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Project Synopsis

Deracemization of α -Amino Aldehyde

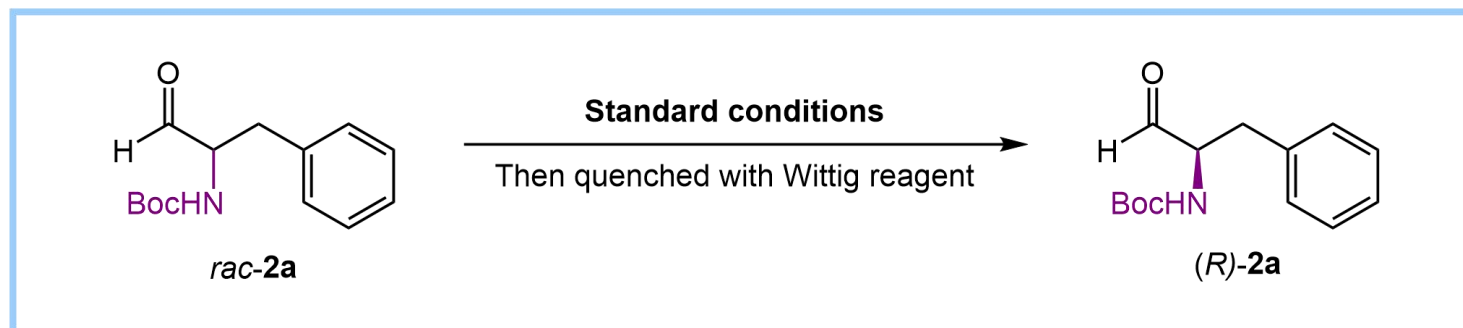


Optimization of Reaction Conditions



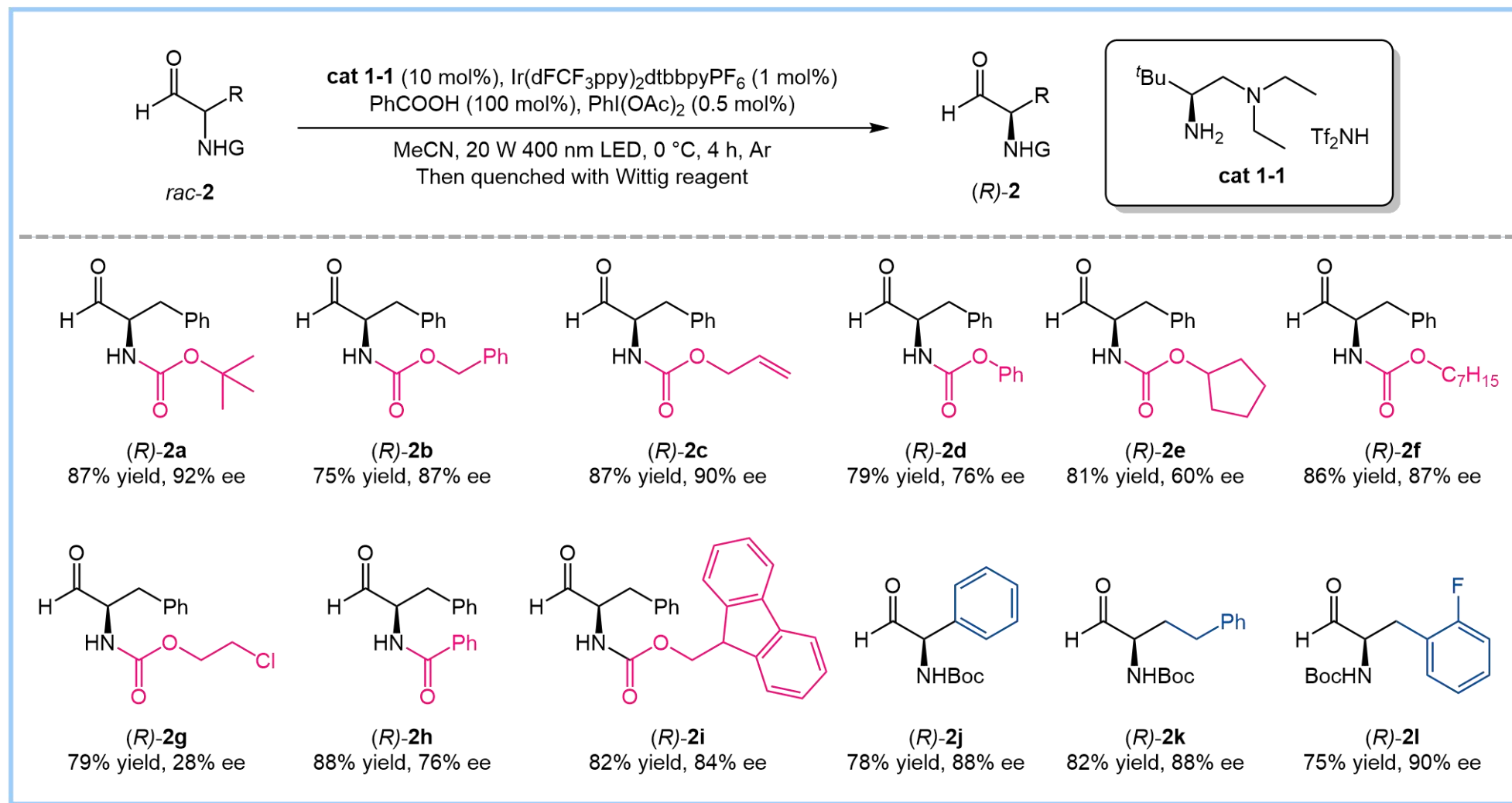
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1	none	87	92
2	no C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂ H	76	11
3	C ₆ H ₅ CO ₂ H (10 mol%)	83	83
4	without PIDA	91	71
5	PIDA (10 mol%)	79	77
6	IBX (0.5 mol%)	82	73

Optimization of Reaction Conditions

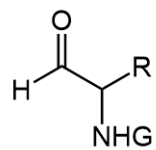


Entry	Variations from standard conditions	Yield (%)	Ee (%)
7	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{I}(\text{OCOCF}_3)_2$ (0.5 mol%)	87	90
8	$\text{C}_6\text{H}_5\text{I}(\text{OH})\text{OTs}$ (0.5 mol%)	83	85
9	$\text{Ir}(\text{ppy})_3$	78	46
10	$[\text{Ir}(\text{dtbpy})(\text{ppy})_2]\text{PF}_6$	79	55
11	$[\text{Ru}(\text{bpy})_3]\text{Cl}_2$	83	rac
12	25 °C	81	49
13	no photocatalyst	80	rac
14	no amino catalyst	77	rac
15	no light	83	rac
16	stilbene (100 mol%)	82	9
17	in air	69	19

Substrate Scope



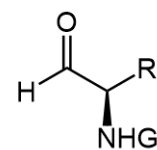
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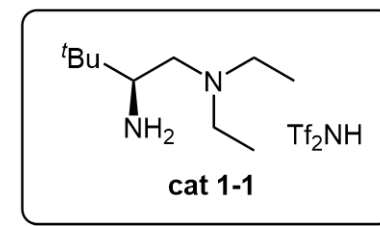
rac-2

cat 1-1 (10 mol%), Ir(dFCF₃ppy)₂dtbbpyPF₆ (1 mol%)
PhCOOH (100 mol%), PhI(OAc)₂ (0.5 mol%)

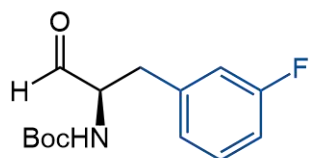
MeCN, 20 W 400 nm LED, 0 °C, 4 h, Ar
Then quenched with Wittig reagent



(R)-2

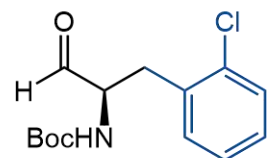


cat 1-1



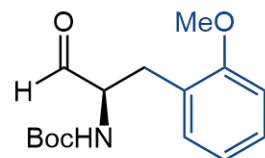
(R)-2m

91% yield, 89% ee



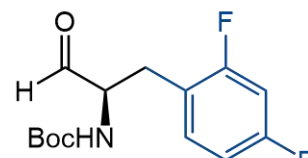
(R)-2n

80% yield, 80% ee



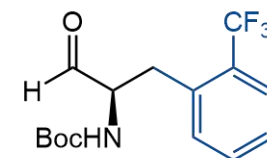
(R)-2o

87% yield, 83% ee



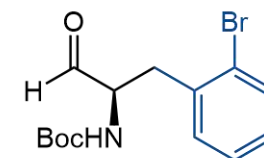
(R)-2p

85% yield, 86% ee



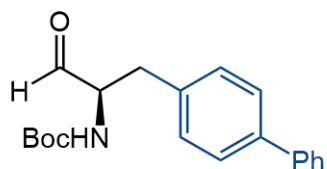
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76% yield, 89% ee



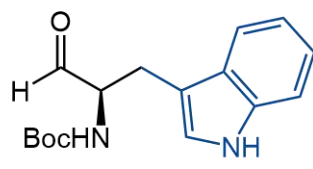
(R)-2r

82% yield, 90% ee



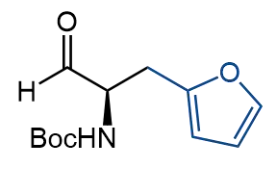
(R)-2s

91% yield, 84% ee



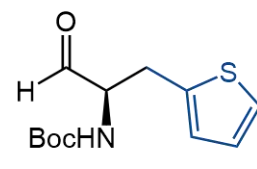
(R)-2t

55% yield, 62% ee



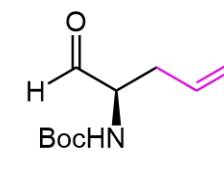
(R)-2u

68% yield, 74% ee



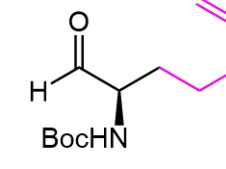
(R)-2v

85% yield, 85% ee



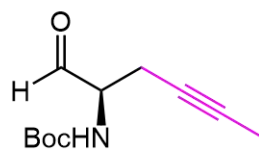
(R)-2w

85% yield, 86% ee



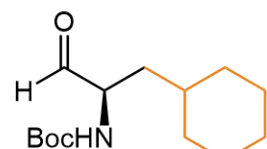
(R)-2x

96% yield, 73% ee



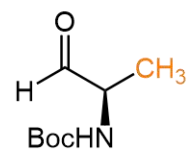
(R)-2y

47% yield, 45% ee



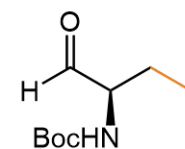
(R)-2z

75% yield, 92% ee



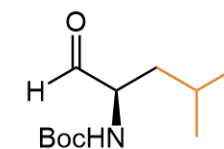
(R)-2aa

96% yield, 74% ee



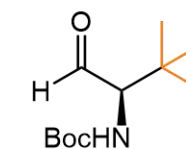
(R)-2ab

83% yield, 78% ee



(R)-2ac

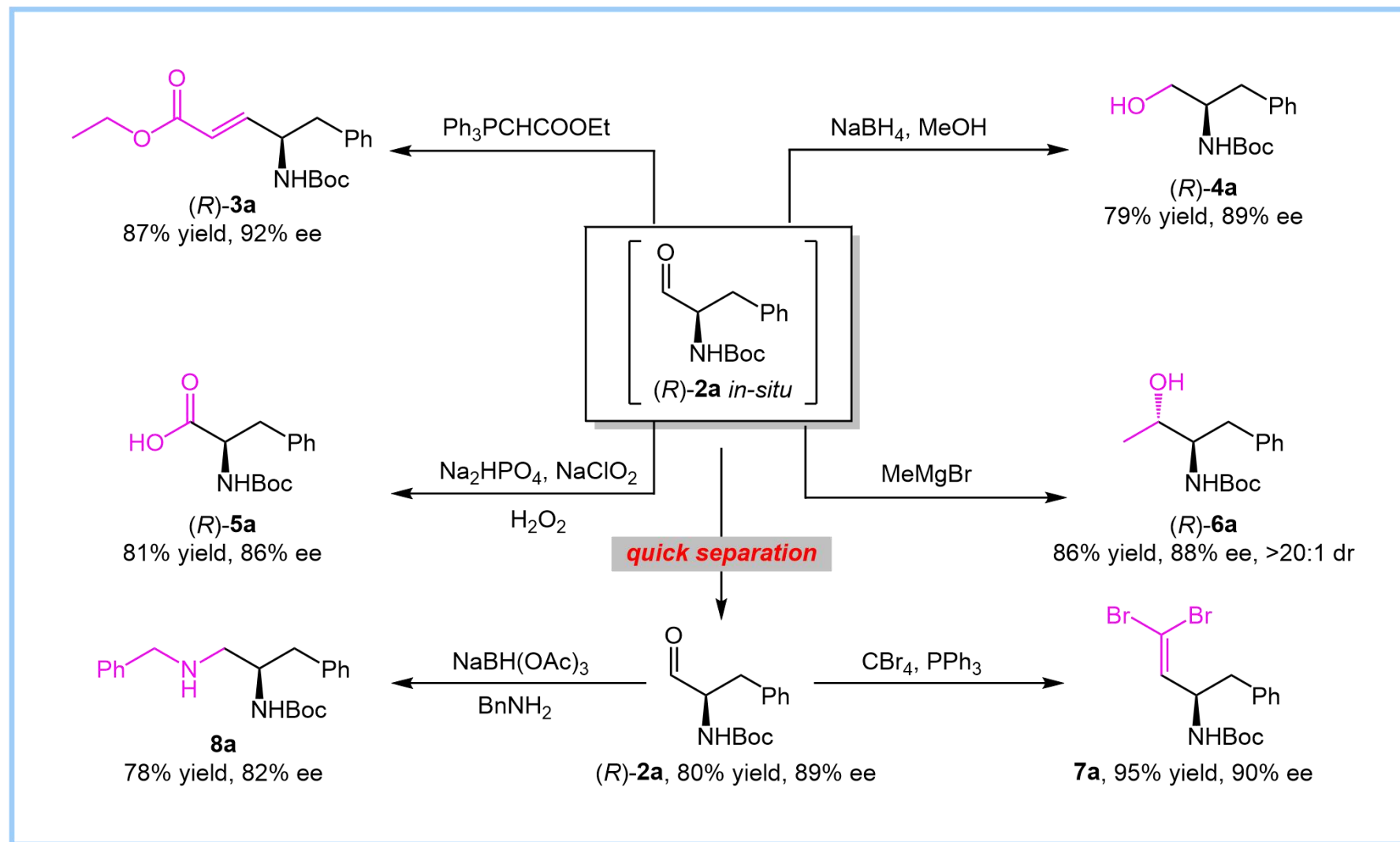
91% yield, 93% ee



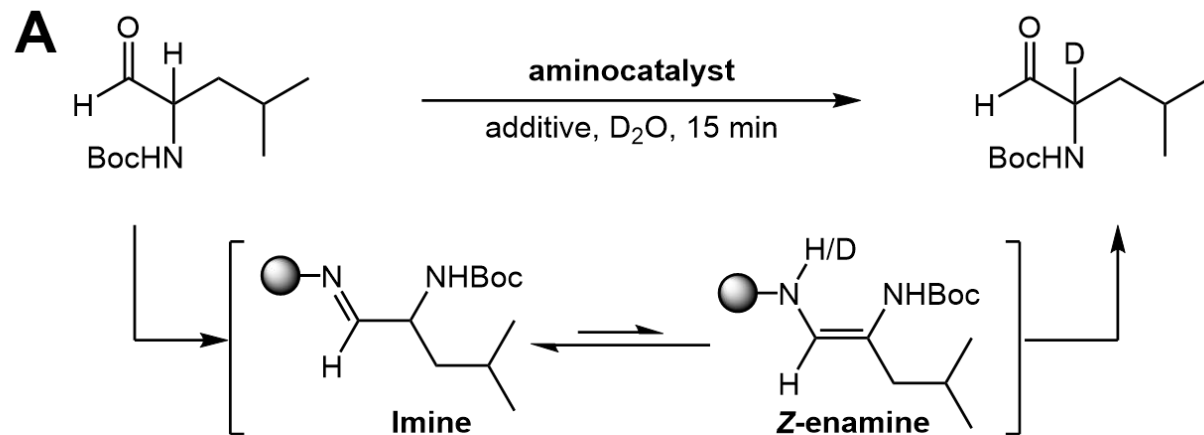
(R)-2ad

85% yield, 4% ee

Transformations



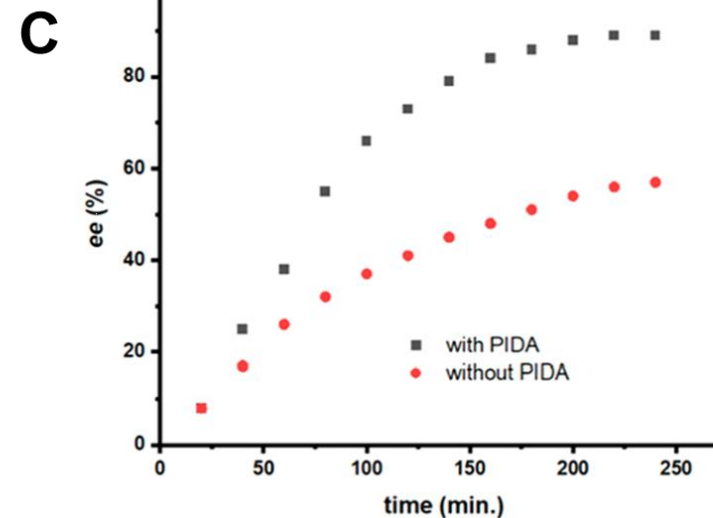
Mechanistic Studies



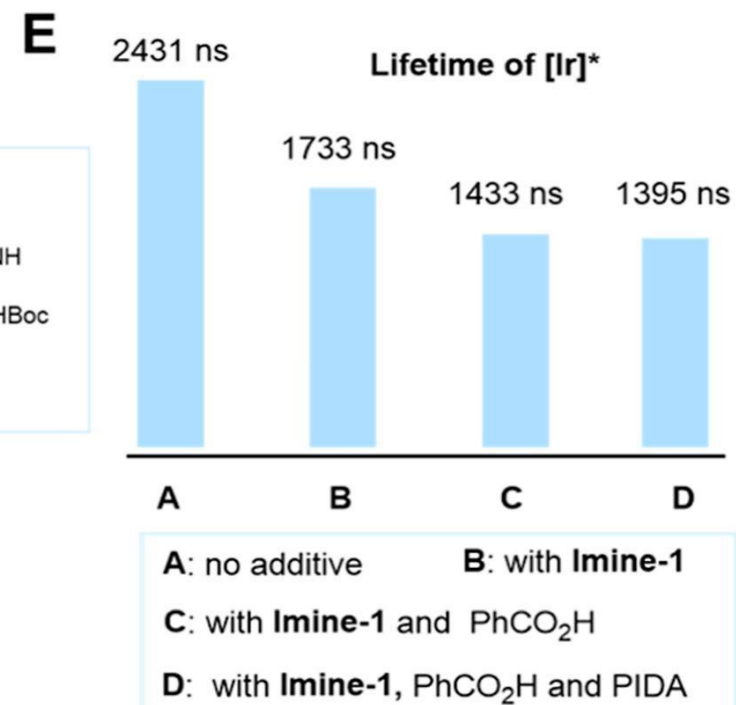
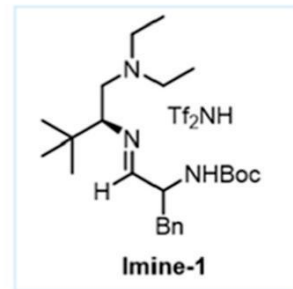
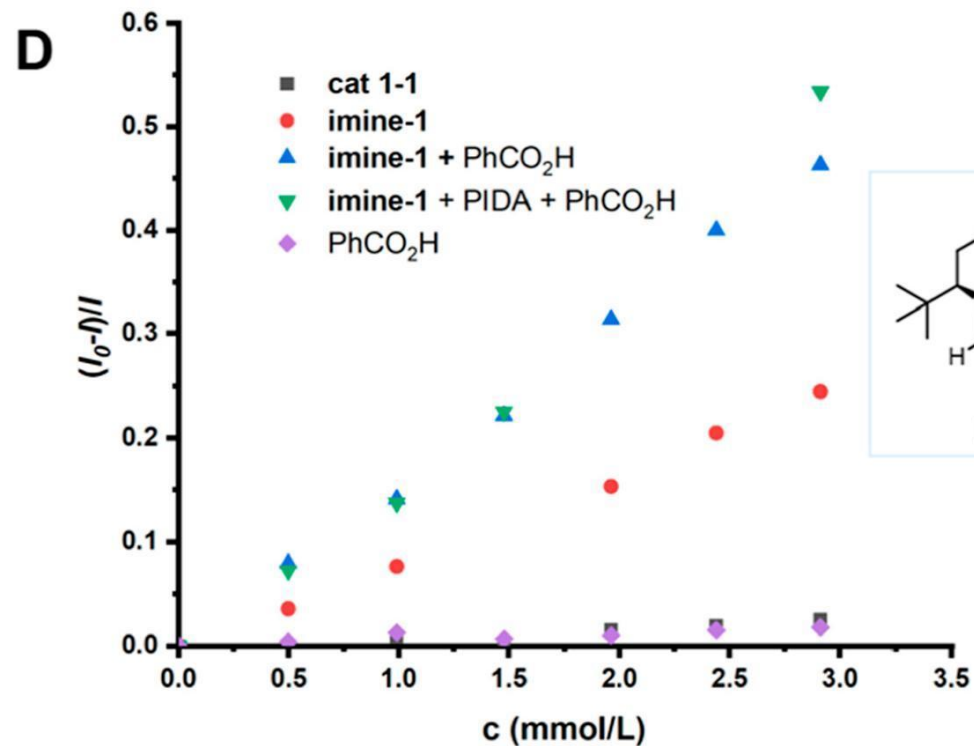
Conditions	D-ratio (%)
w/o cat 1-1, with PhCO ₂ H	4
with cat 1-1, w/o PhCO ₂ H	10
with cat 1-1, with PhCO ₂ H	70
<i>N</i> -dimethylated cat 1-1 with PhCO ₂ H	21

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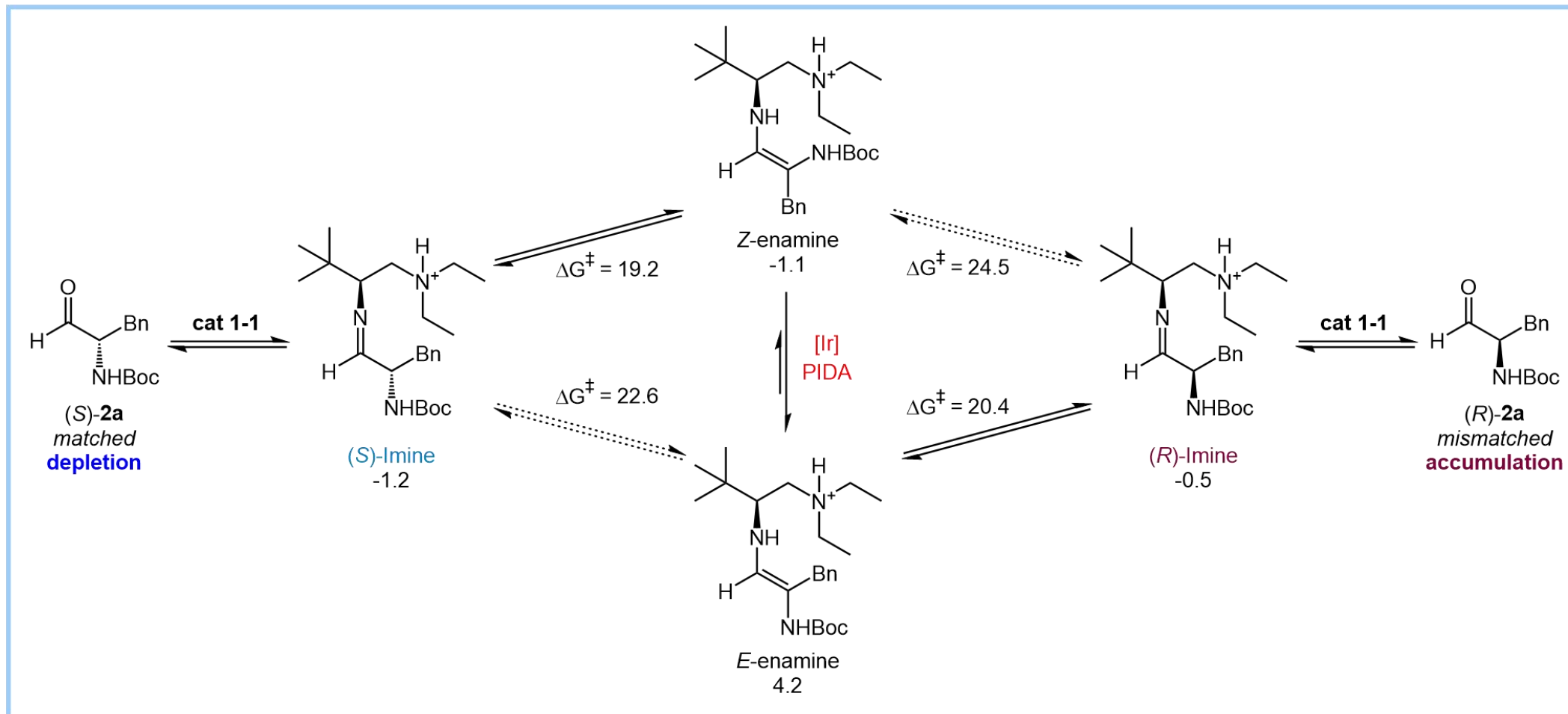
Photocatalyst	E_T (kcal/mol)	$E_{1/2}^{PC-/PC^+}$ (V)	ee (%)
[Ir(dFCF ₃ ppy) ₂ dtbbpy]PF ₆	66.9	0.89	92
[Ir(dFCF ₃ ppy) ₂ bpy]PF ₆	62	1.32	68
[Ru(bpy) ₃]Cl ₂	48.5	0.77	rac
Ir(ppy) ₃	59.5	0.35	46
[Ir(dtbbpy)(ppy) ₂]PF ₆	50.1	0.66	55



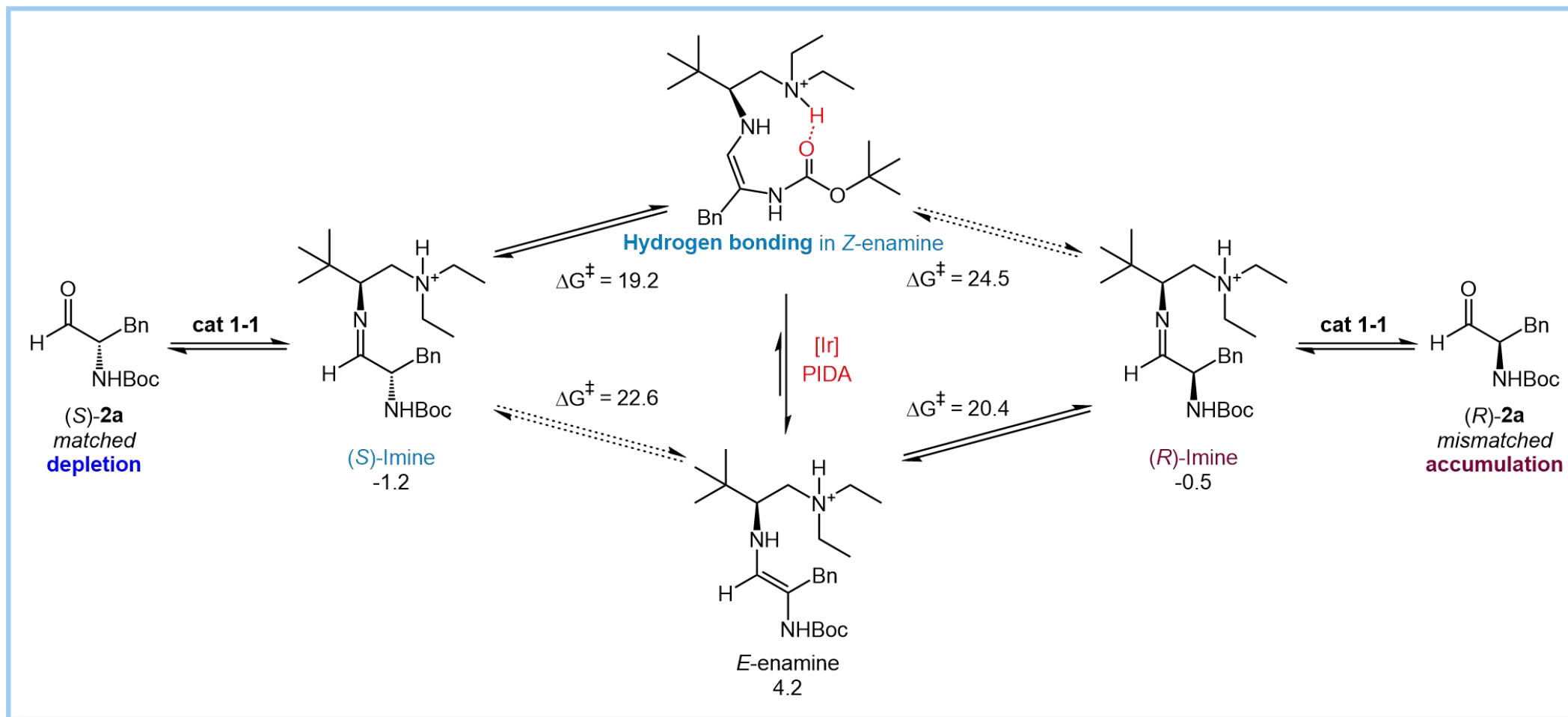
Mechanistic Studies



Proposed Mechanism

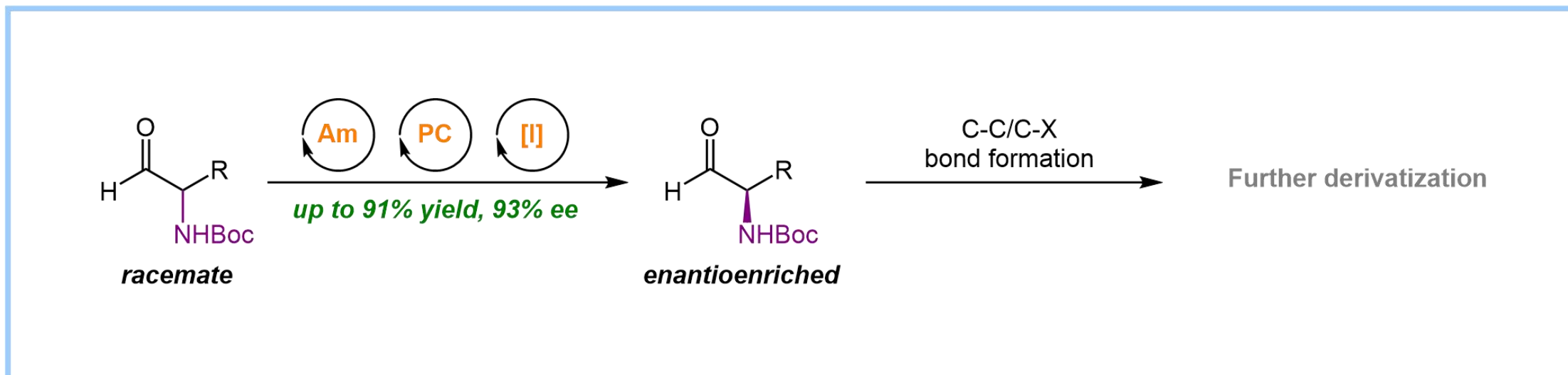


Proposed Mechanism



Summary

Deracemization of α -Amino Aldehyde

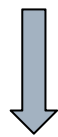


- Developing an effective deracemization of chirally labile α -amino aldehydes;
- Synergistic chiral primary amine and hypervalent iodine catalysis under visible light irradiation;
- Mechanistic studies verified a photochemical *Z-E* isomerization mediated by PIDA.

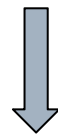
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写作思路

去消旋化反应的特点



去消旋化目前的应用

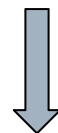


α -氨基醛的去消旋化有待研究

The Last Paragraph

写作思路

总结工作： α -氨基醛的去消旋化



强调亮点：手性胺、高价碘盐、光催化协同；机理研究

Representative Examples

- Mechanistic studies were then conducted to **elucidate** the possible origins of deracemization..
(**elucidate** : 阐明;说明;解释)
- Time-resolved Stern–Volmer experiments exhibited a similar pattern, where benzoic acid could shorten the lifetime of the excited photocatalyst from 1733 to 1433 ns, while PIDA showed only a **marginal** effect. (**marginal**: 边缘的;小的;微不足道的)
- The **synergistic** protocol enables the on-demand synthesis of chiral α -amino aldehydes with high enantioselectivity. Mechanistic studies verified a photochemical *Z-E* isomerization mediated by PIDA that drives the deracemization. (**synergistic**: 协同作用的)

Acknowledgment

Thanks for your attention !