# Literature Report VI

## Radical-Mediated Difunctionalization of Unactivated Alkenes *via* Docking-Migration Mode

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#### **Research Interests:**

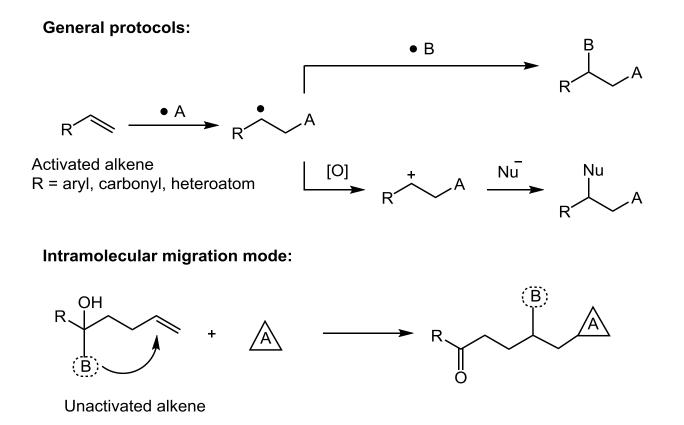
Radical chemistry, rearrangement reactions, ring-opening reactions, functional group migration, C-C activation, C-H activation.



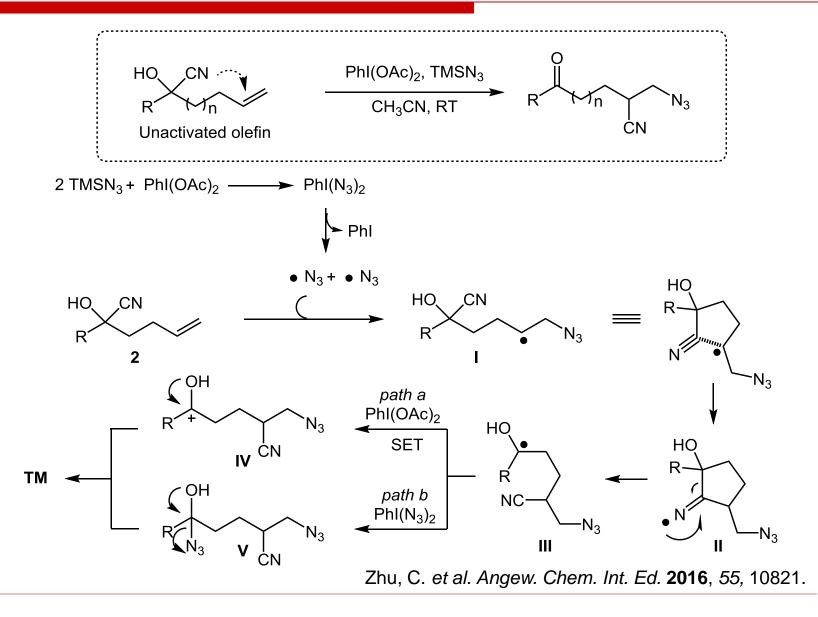


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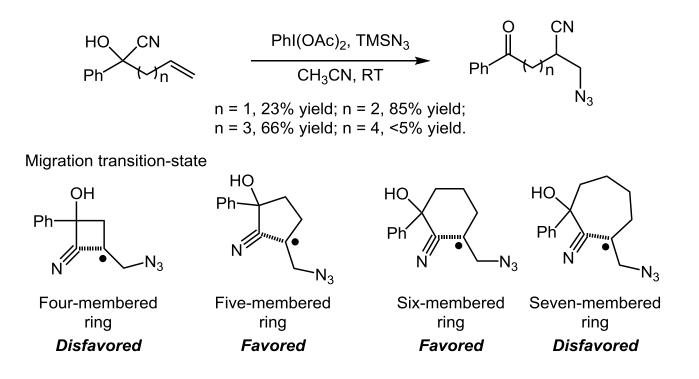




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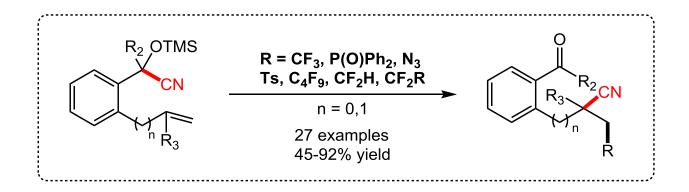


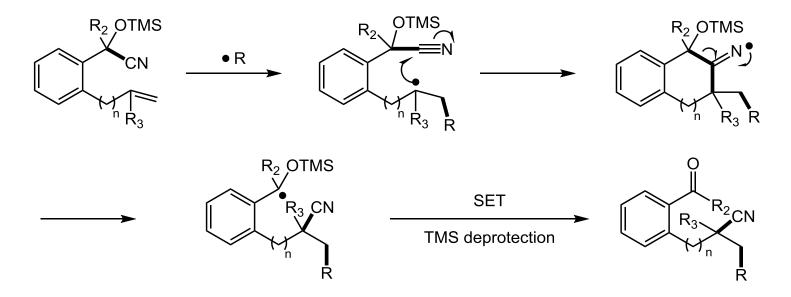
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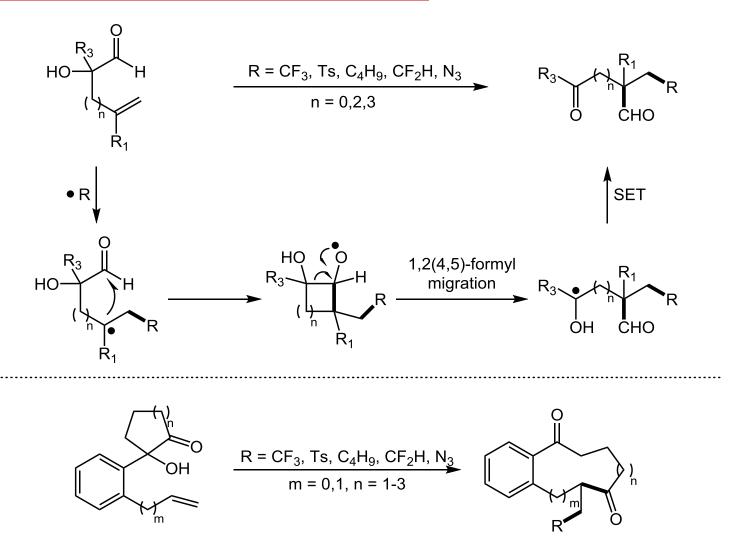
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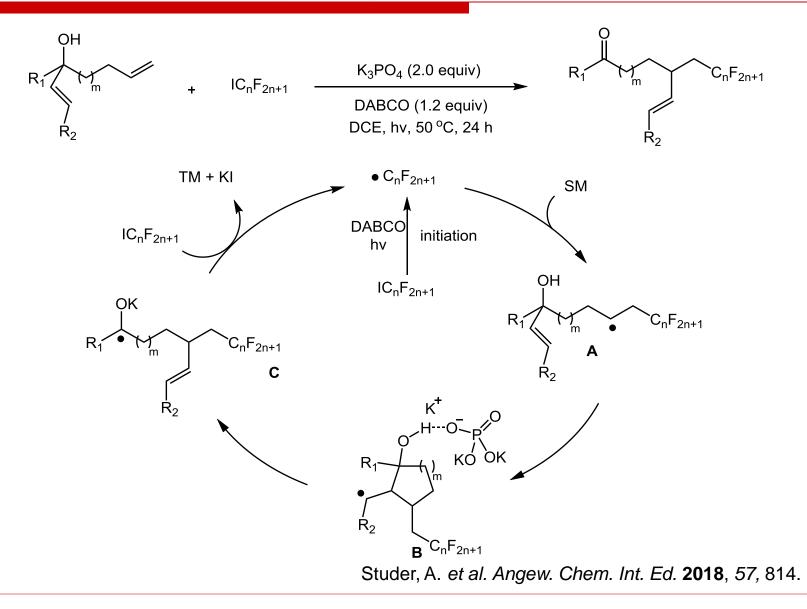
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#### Introduction-formyl migration

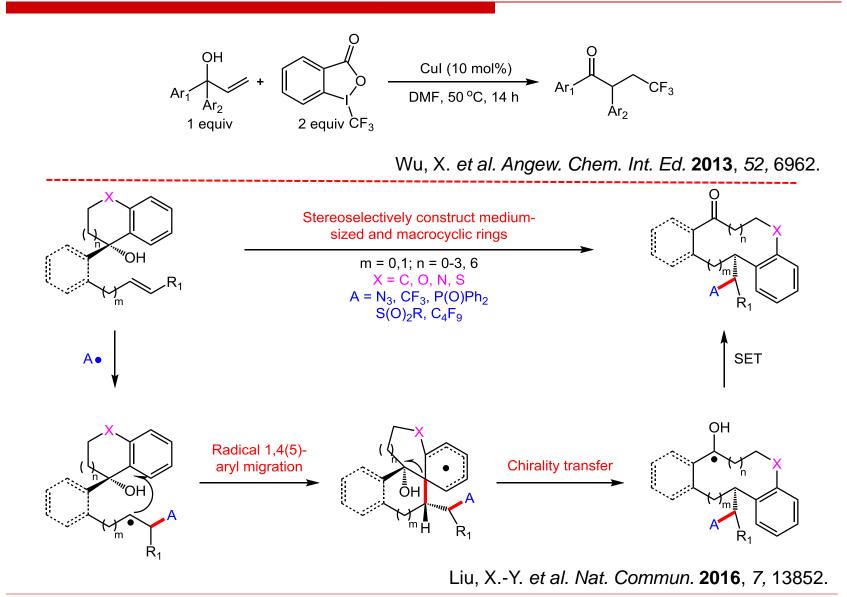


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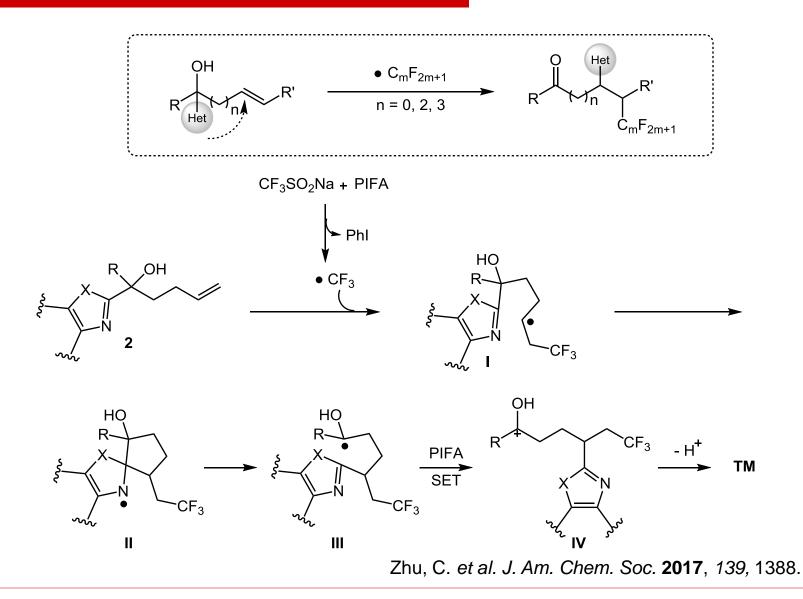
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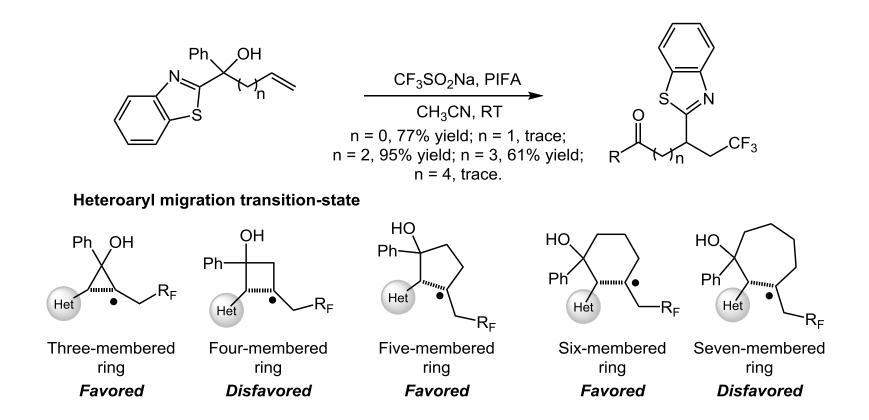
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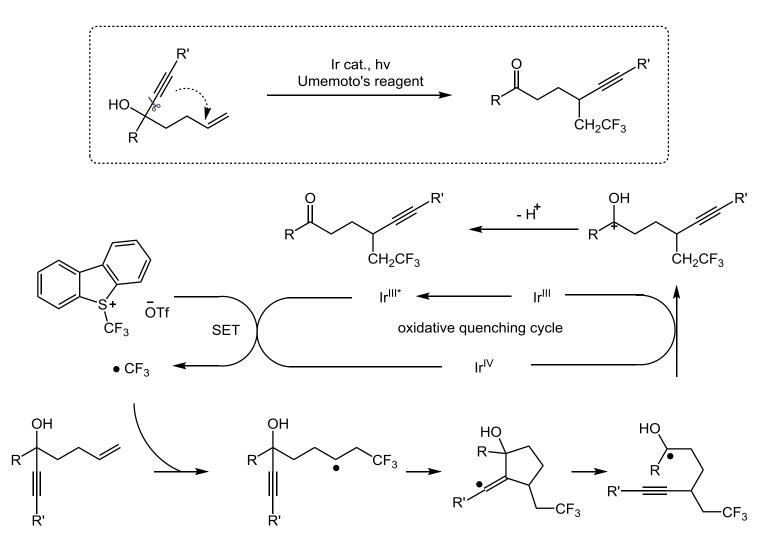


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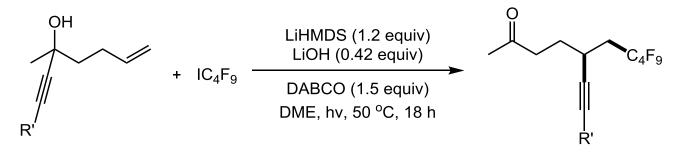
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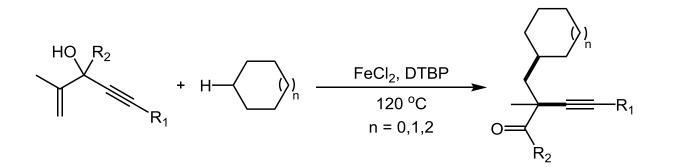


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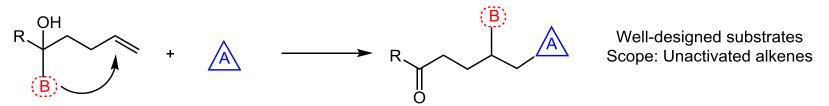


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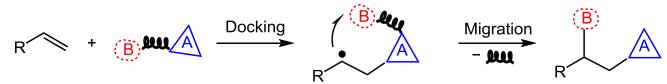
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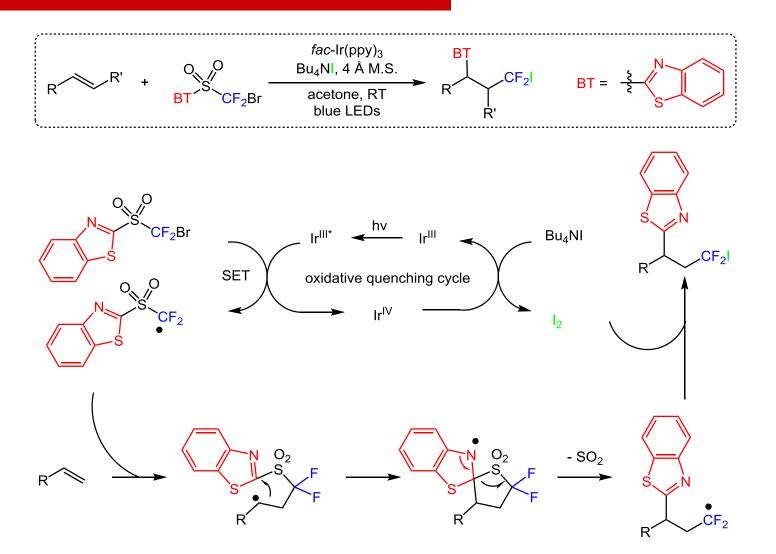


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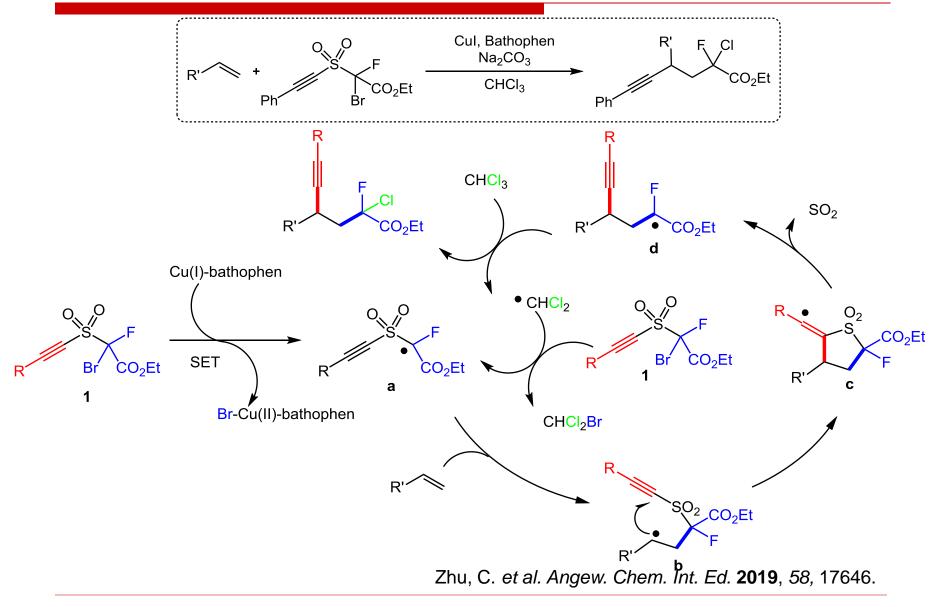
#### **Docking-migration mode**



Scope: activated and unactivated alkenes Broad functional group tolerance Regio- and stereo-selective control

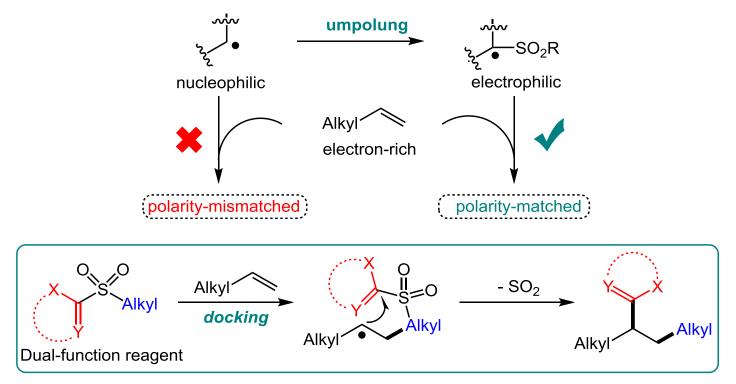


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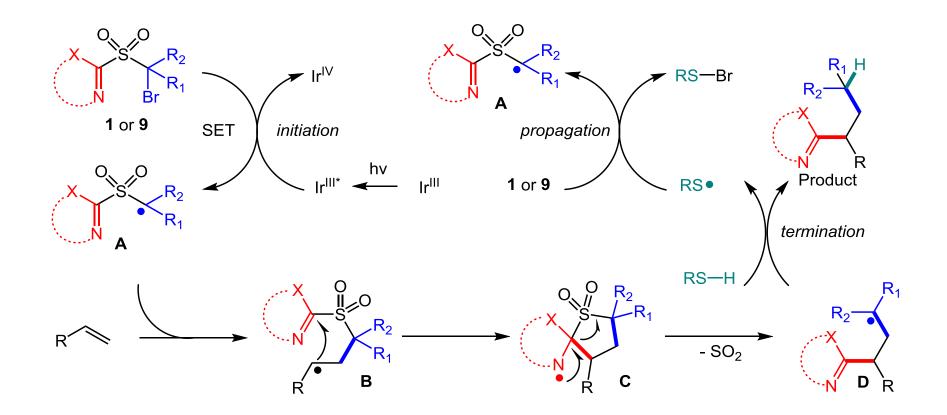
# **Background and project synopsis**

#### **Polarity-Umpolung Strategy**

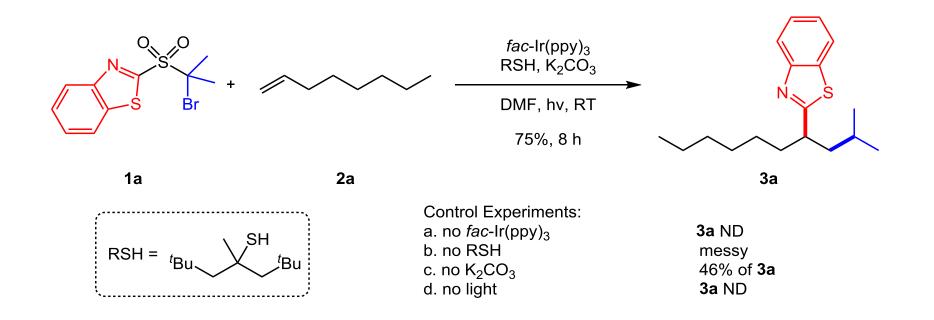


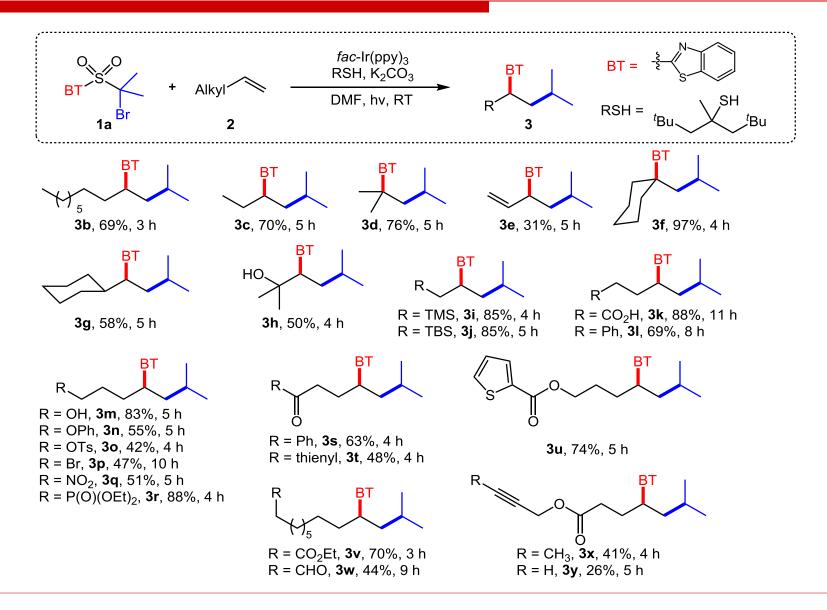
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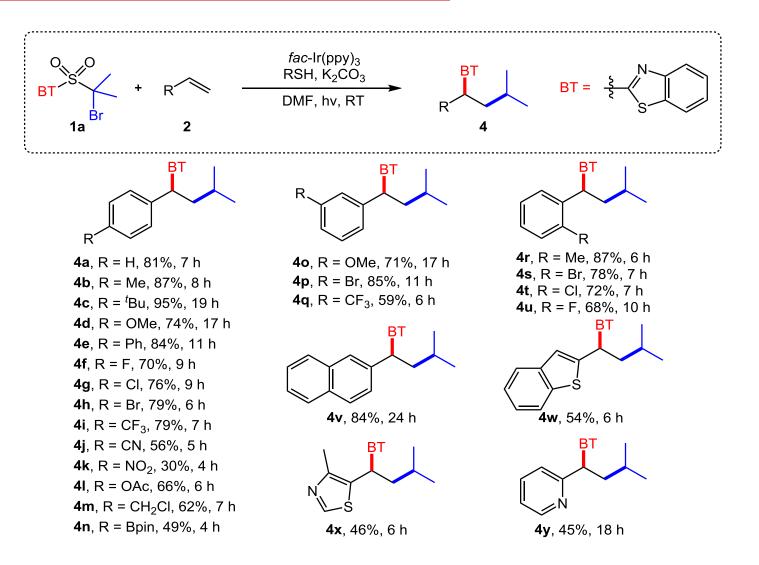
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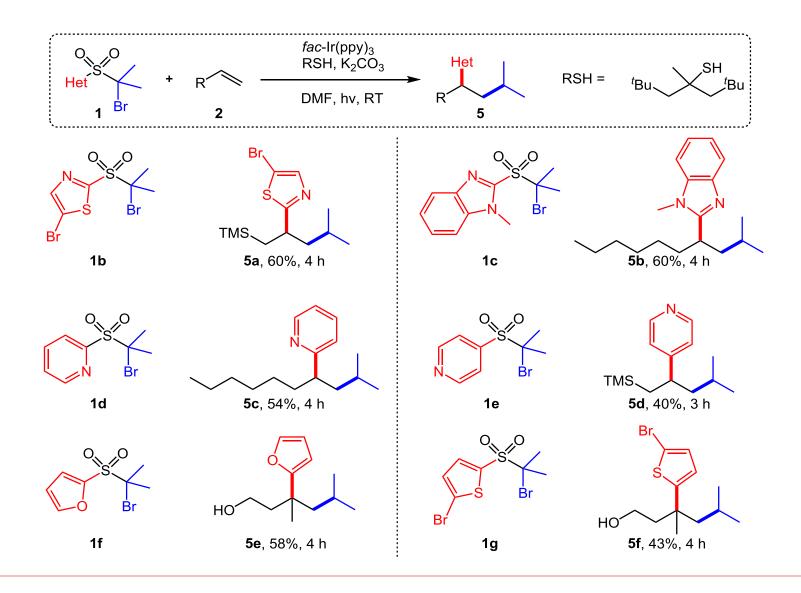


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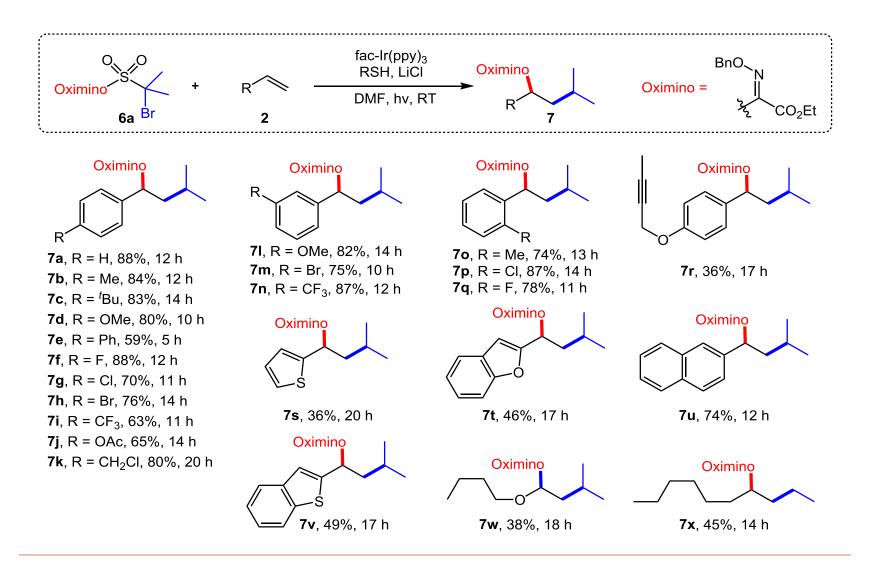


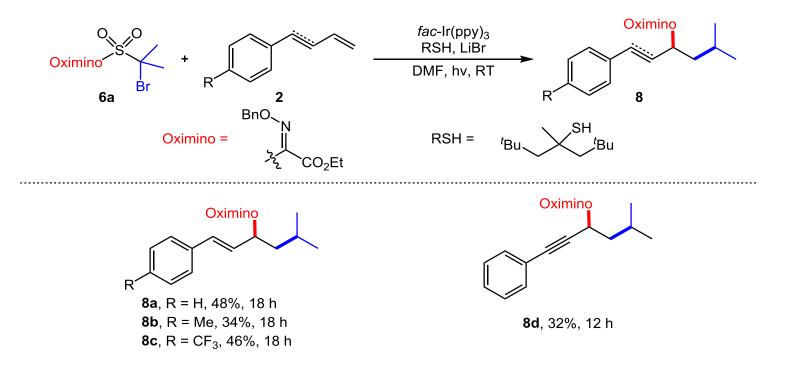


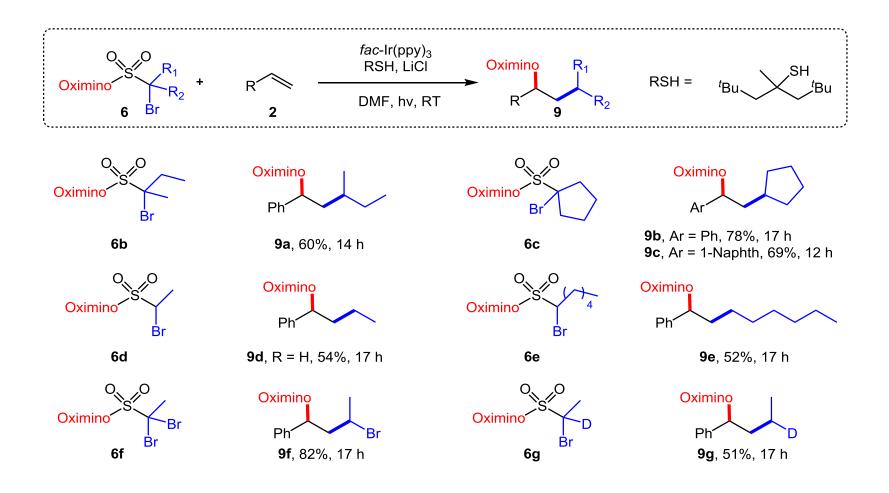




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#### Summary

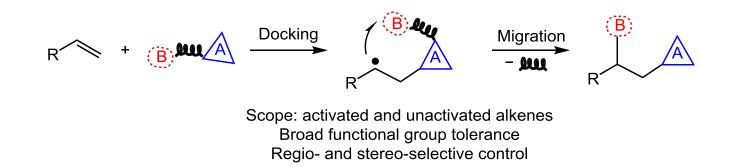
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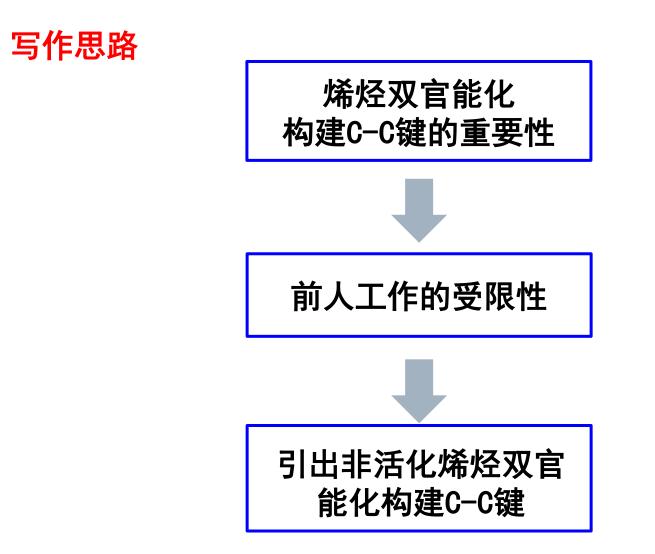
Well-designed substrates Scope: Unactivated alkenes

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#### **Docking-migration mode**



# The first paragraph



Carbon–carbon bond formation is paramount in synthetic chemistry as C-C bonds constitute the basic framework of organic molecules. Considering that alkenes are abundant and widely available, radicalmediated functionalization of alkenes to construct C-C bonds represents an effective and ingenious tactic. Direct alkylation of alkenes by incorporation of an external alkyl radical into an alkene, leading to a more complex aliphatic scaffold, is of great synthetic value. State-of-the-art methods reveal that such a process mainly proceeds through two modes, the polarity-matched mode and the  $p-\pi$  conjugation assisted mode.

Mechanistically, the addition of a nucleophilic alkyl radical to an electron-deficient alkene is kinetically favored owing to their matched radical polarity, while the formation of a benzylic radical intermediate stabilized by  $p-\pi$  conjugation is thermodynamically preferred. Both approaches suffer from limited substrate scope, in which activated alkenes are generally required. In contrast, the incorporation of nonspecific alkyl radicals into unactivated alkenes surmounts the substrate limitation, thus substantially increasing product diversity. Borne out of pragmatic consideration, this approach is more anticipated, yet remains unmet because of the mismatched polarity.

# The last paragraph



#### 通过对接迁移策略实 现烯烃的烷基化反应





A novel "polarity umpolung" strategy has been developed for radical alkylation of alkenes. Activated and unactivated alkenes, including many complex natural products and drug derivatives, are readily functionalized by a docking and migration pathway to efficiently afford valuable alkylated products. Along with alkylation, either an heteroaryl or oximino group is concomitantly incorporated into the alkenes. The reaction features mild reaction conditions, broad functional-group tolerance, and high product diversity. Given the ubiquity of alkenes as building blocks and easy accessibility of the difunctional alkylating reagents, this method offers an efficient approach for extending aliphatic scaffoldings.

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Borne out of pragmatic consideration, this approach is more anticipated, yet remains unmet because of the mismatched polarity. (综合 考虑)

Herein, we disclose the proof-of-principle for this hypothesis. (证明该假 设的原理)

The reaction was messy either in the absence of tert-dodecylthiol or with the use of other thiols. (混乱)

# Thanks for your attention