

Literature Report 6

Direct Enantioselective α -C–H Conjugate Addition of Propargylamines to α,β -Unsaturated Ketones *via* Carbonyl Catalysis

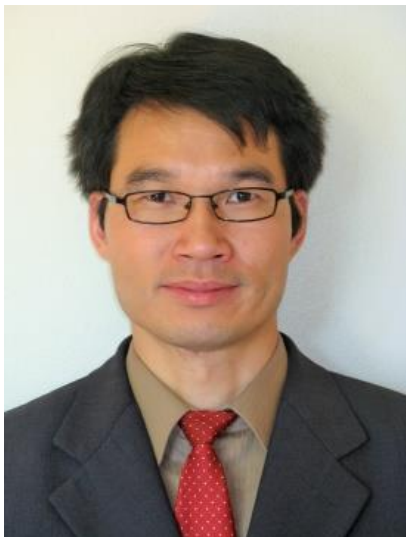
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Research:

- Biomimetic Asymmetric Catalysis
- Biomimetic Total Synthesis
- Development of New Reaction

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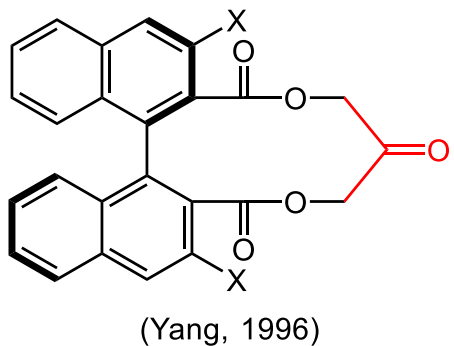
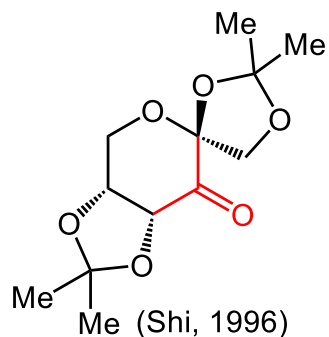
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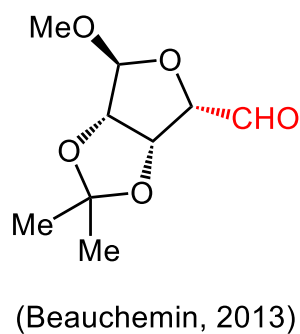
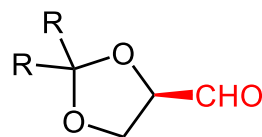
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Representative Chiral Ketone and Chiral Aldehyde Catalysts

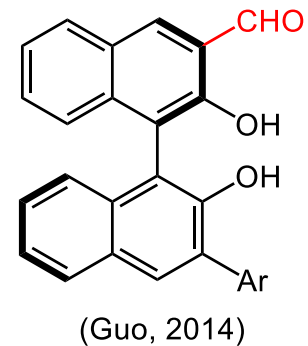
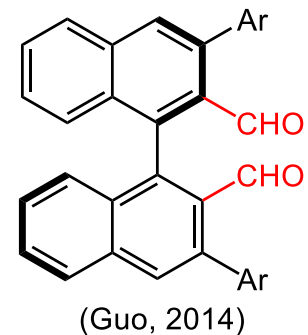
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b) Chiral aldehydes as tethering catalysts



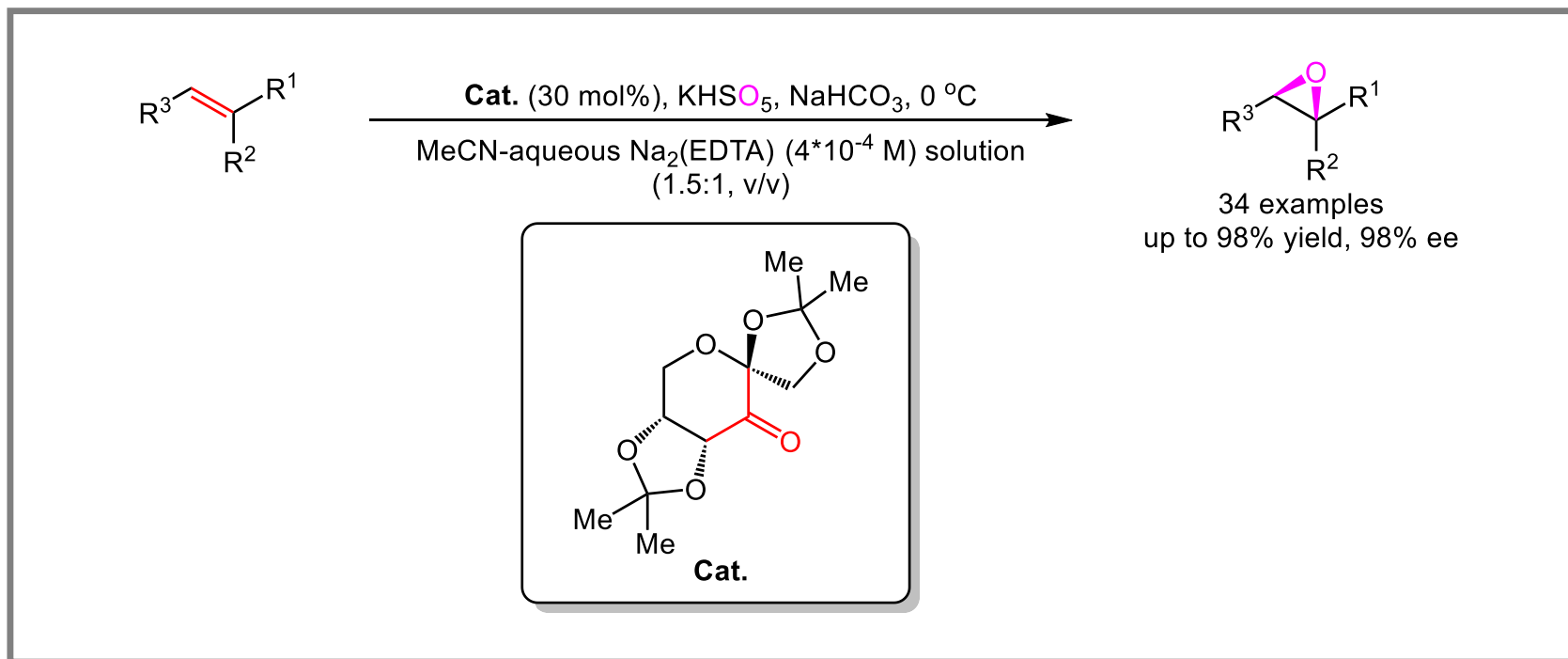
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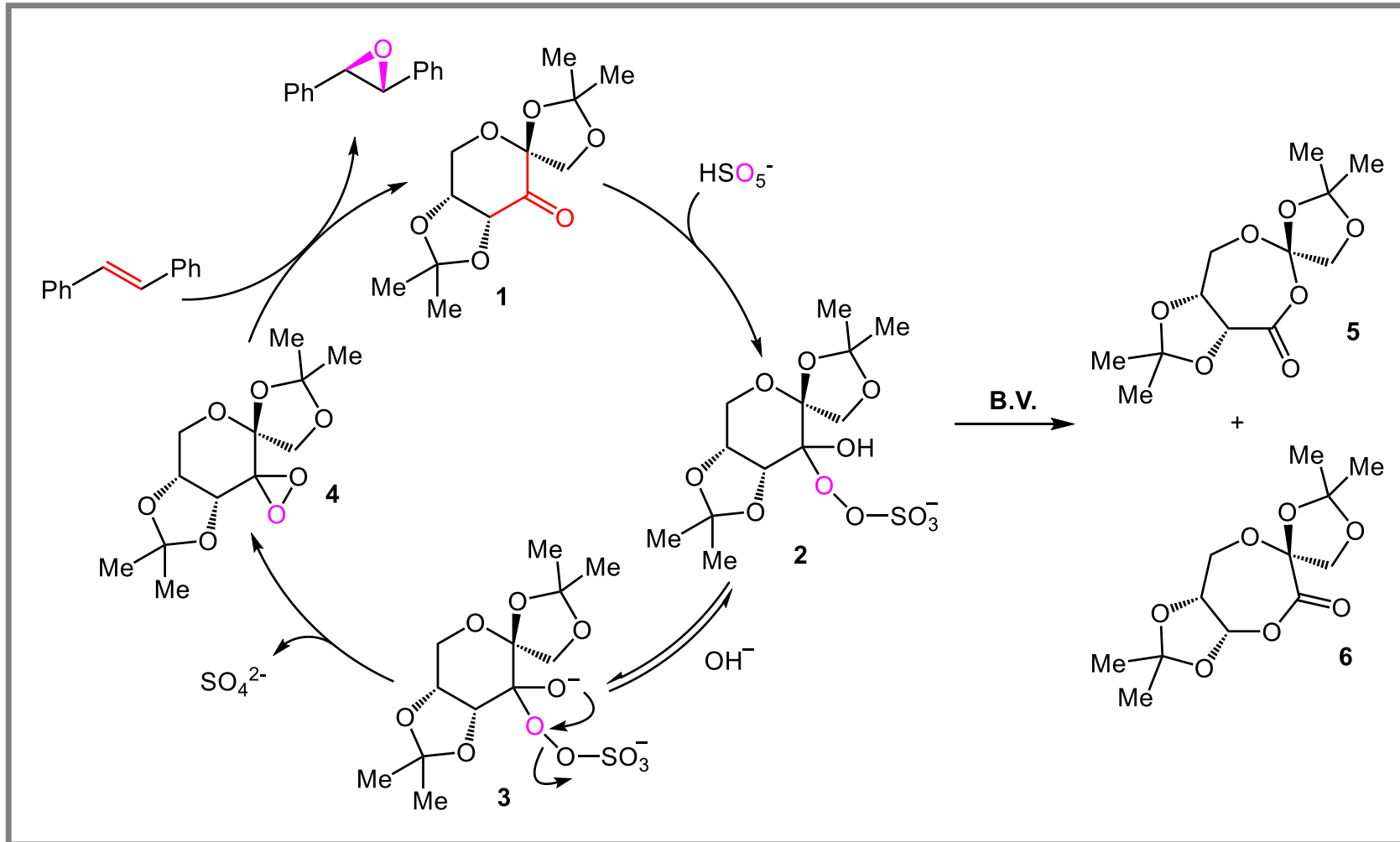
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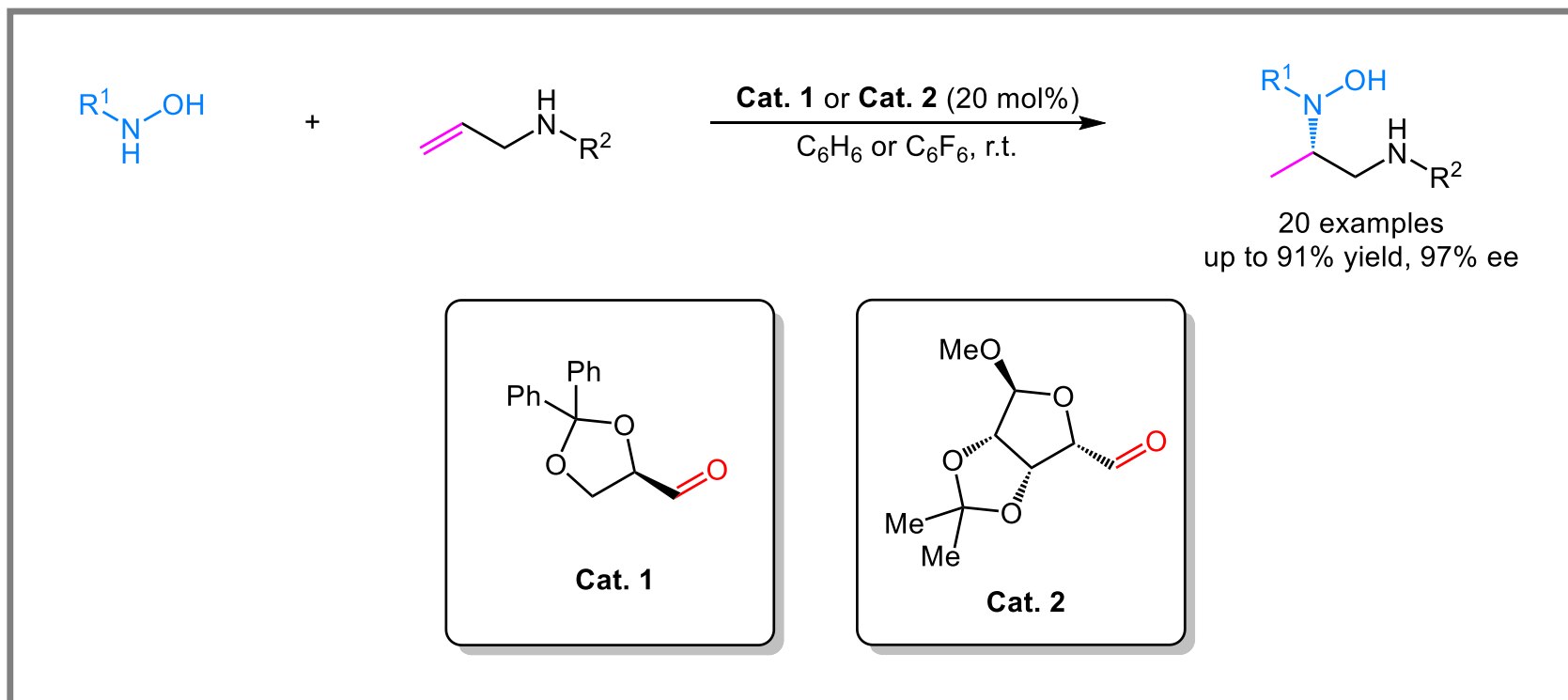


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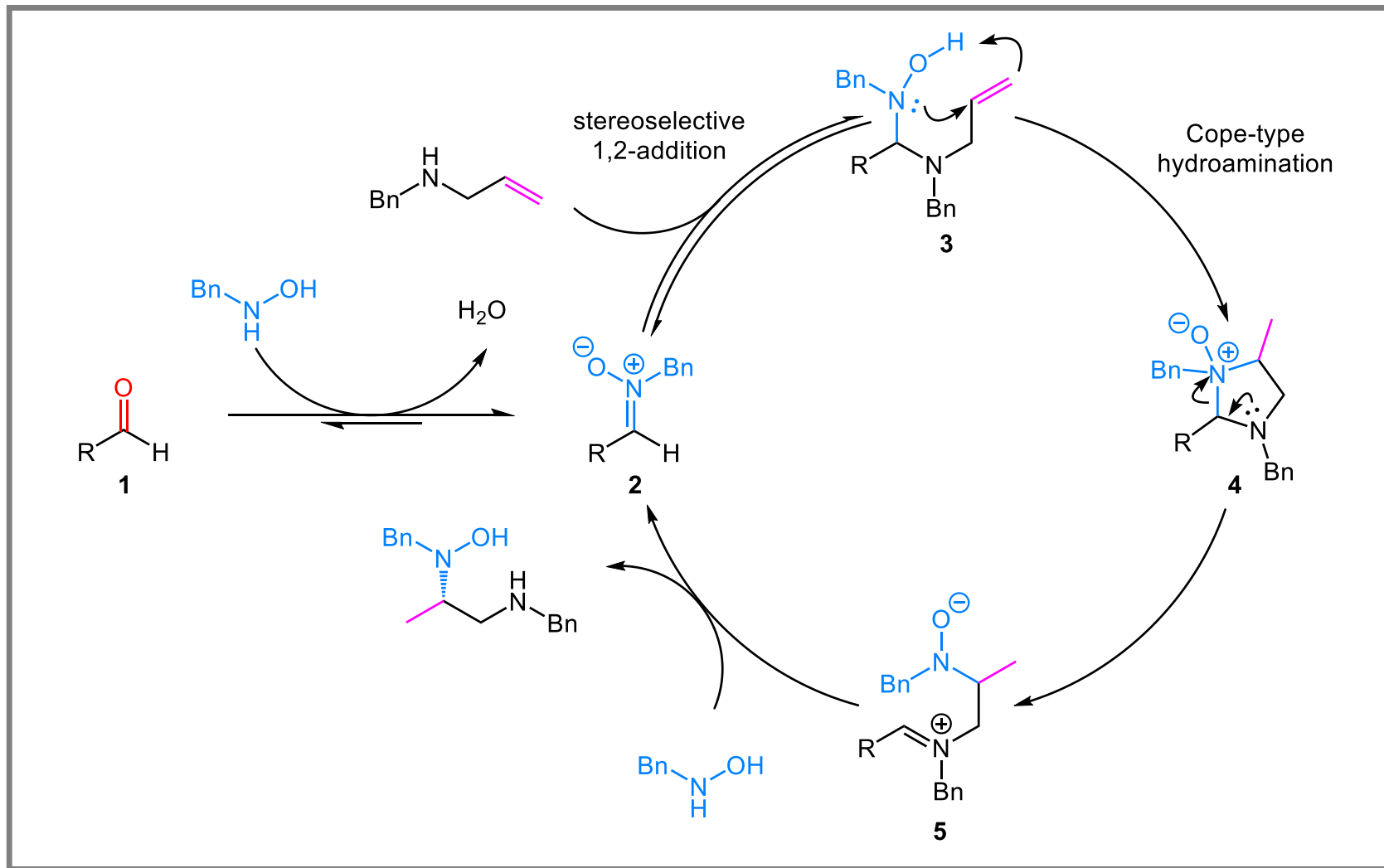


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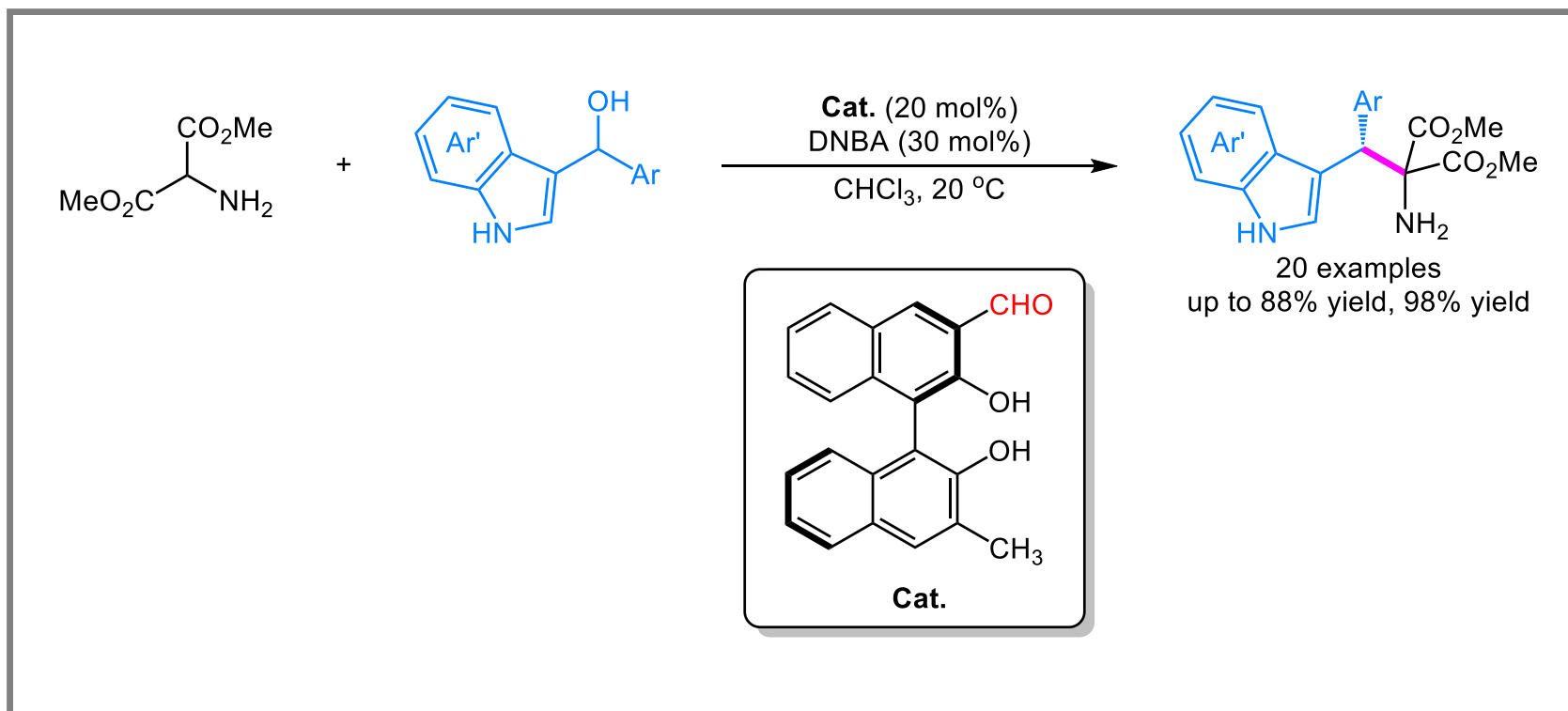
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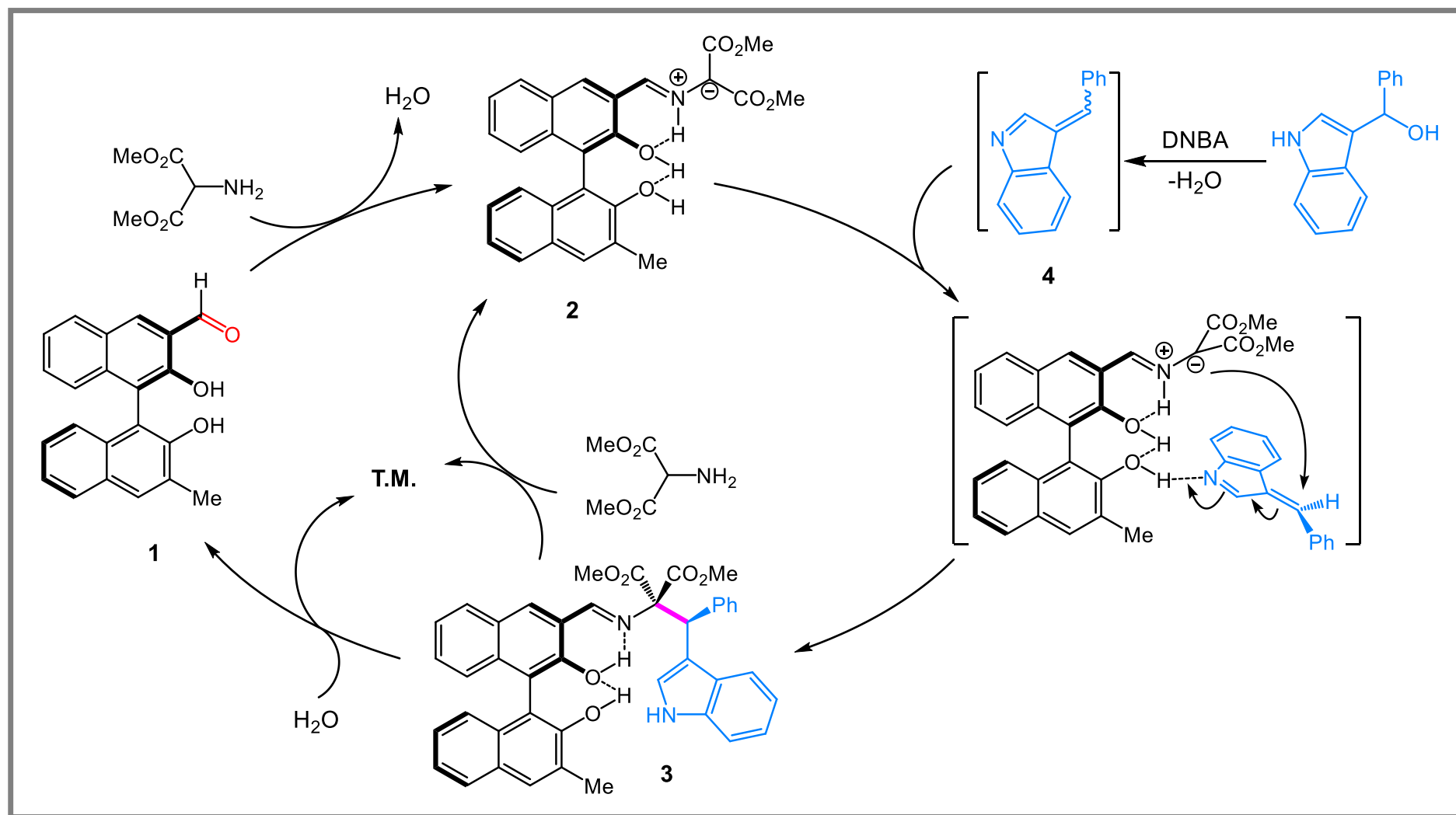
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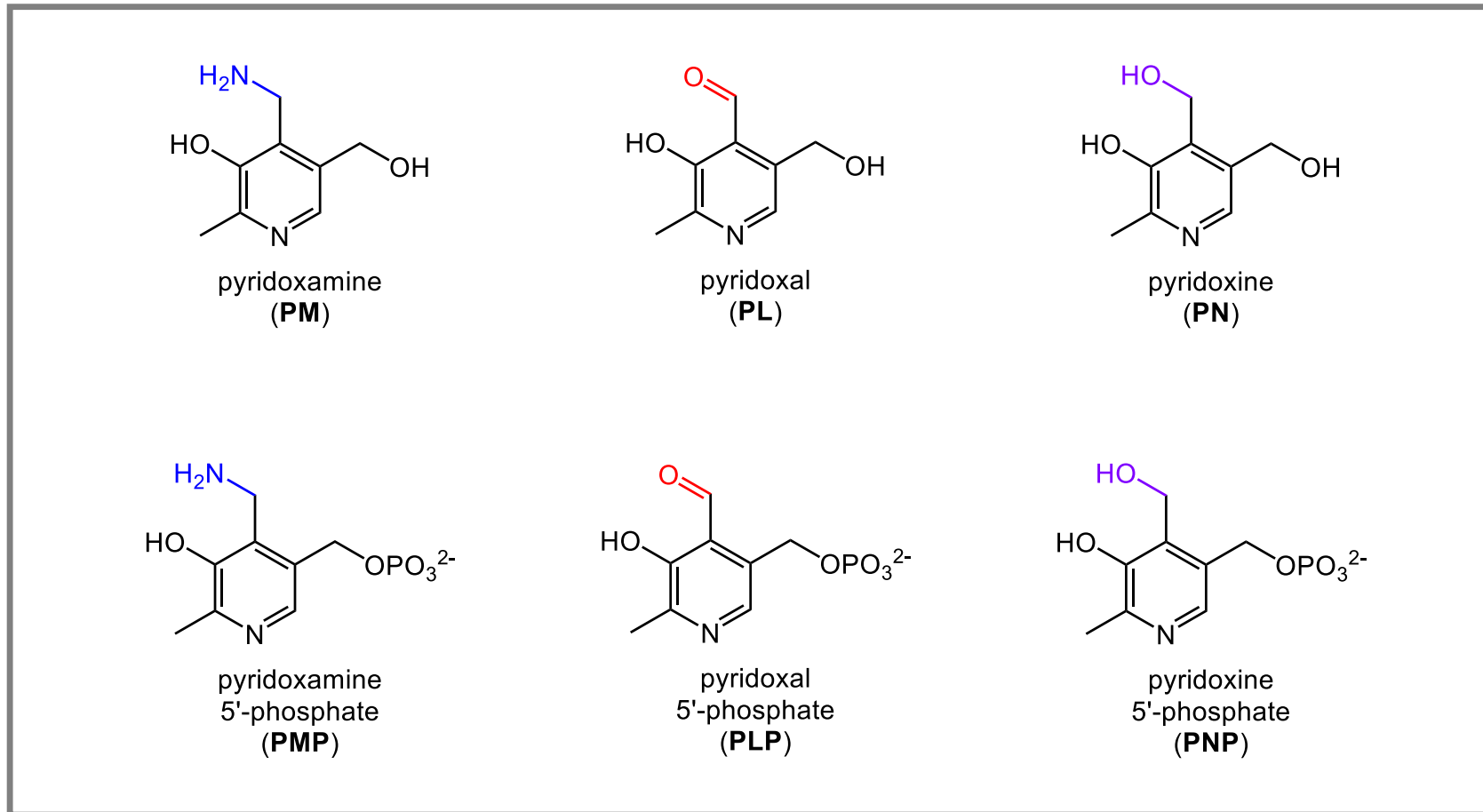
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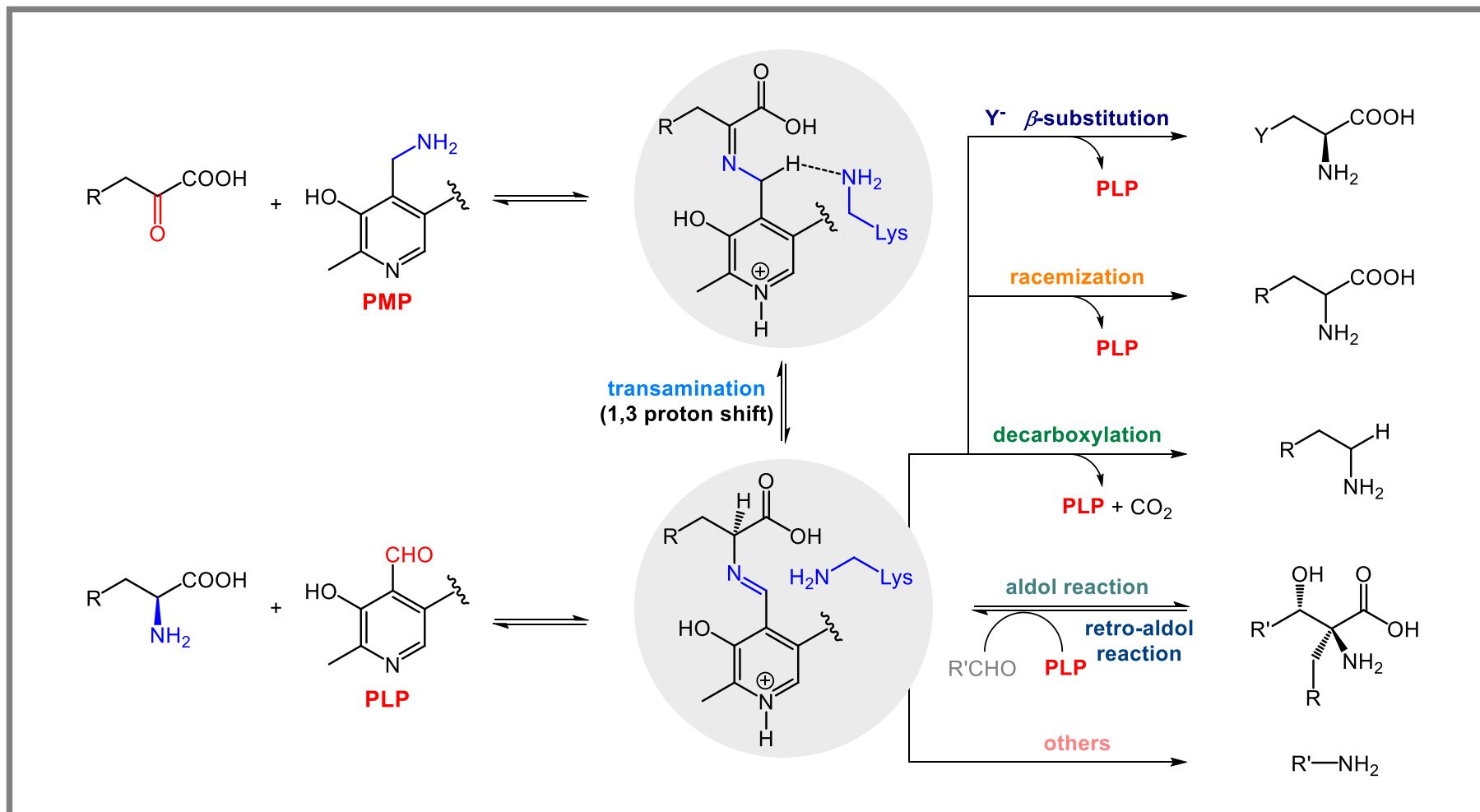
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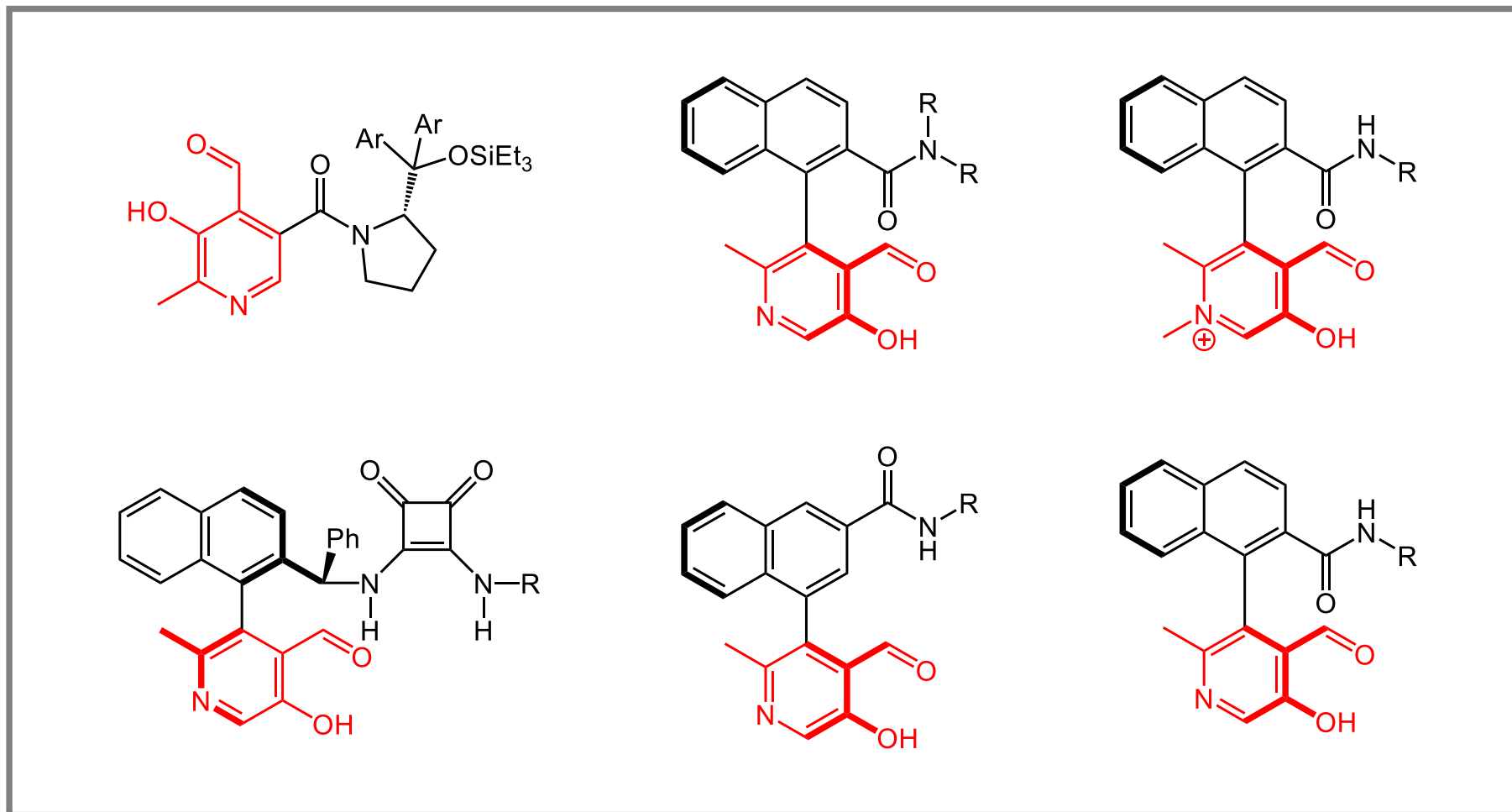
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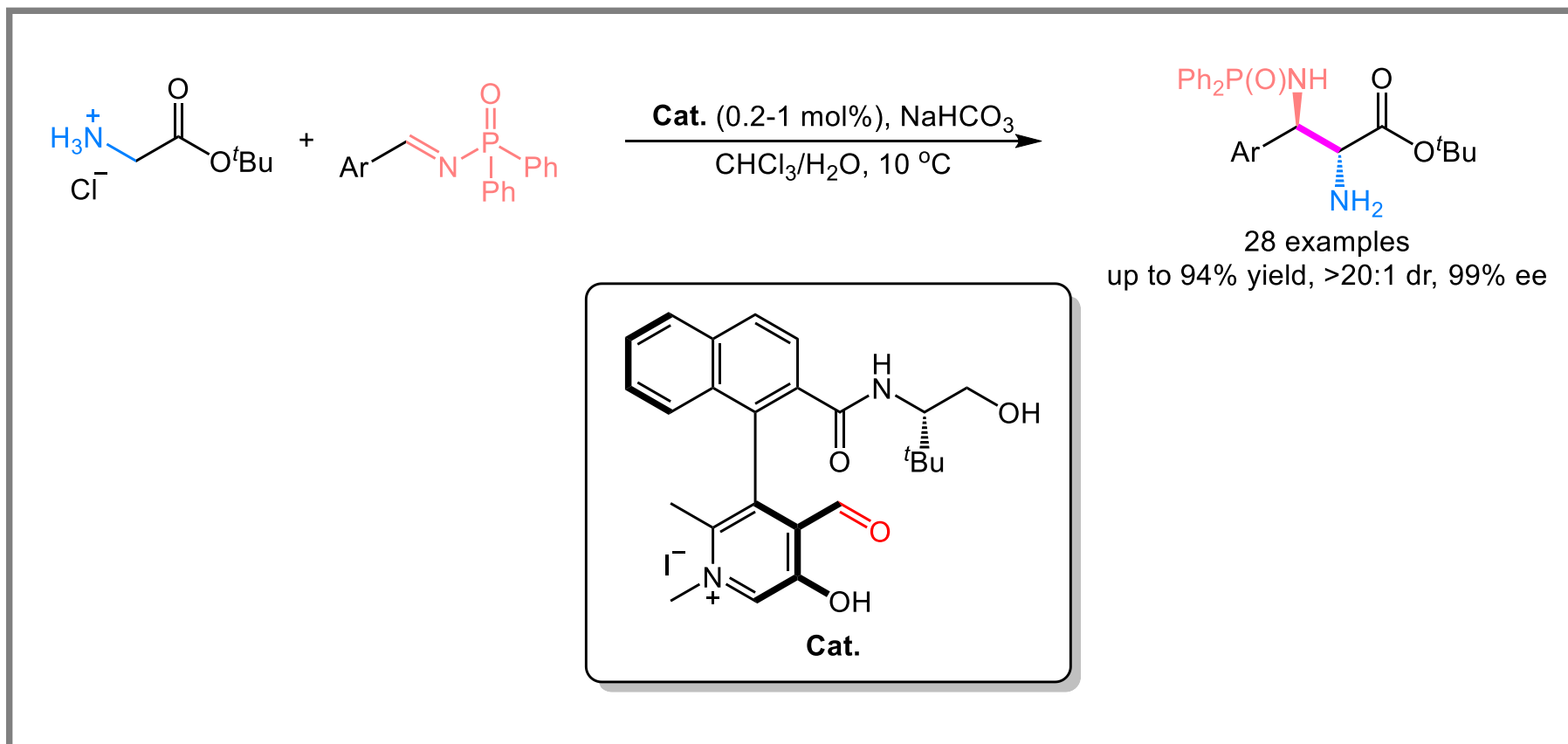
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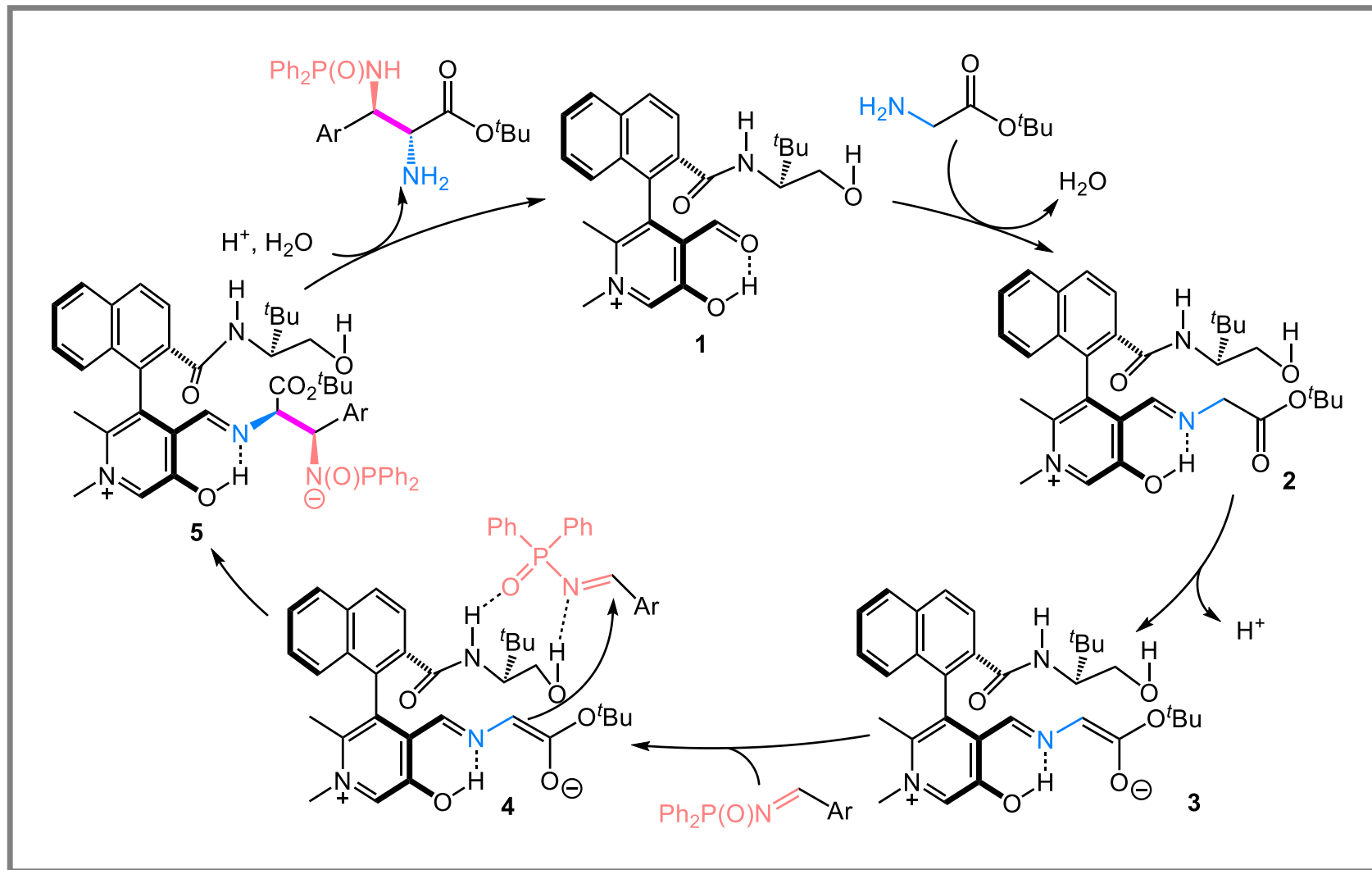
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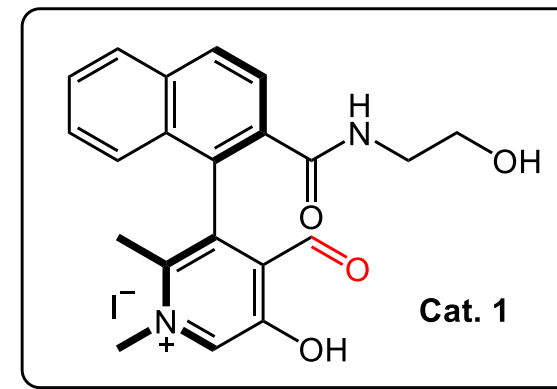
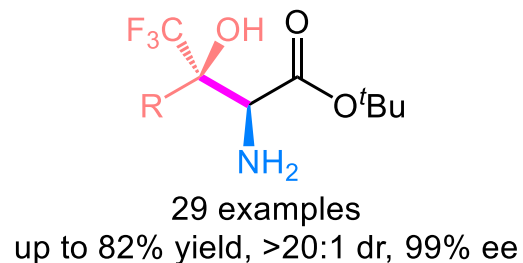
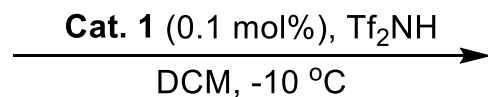
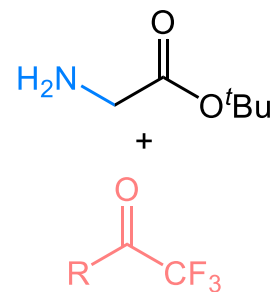
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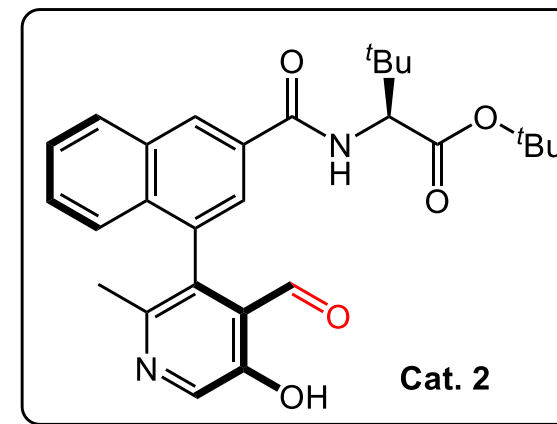
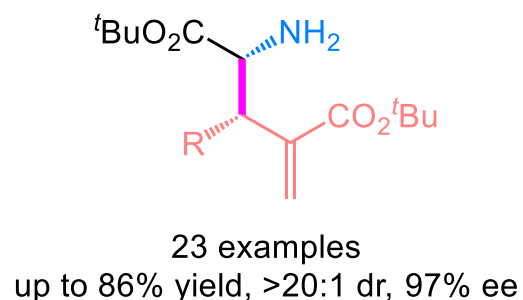
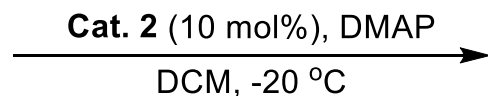
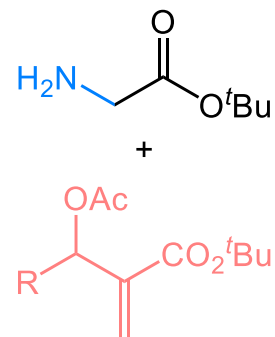


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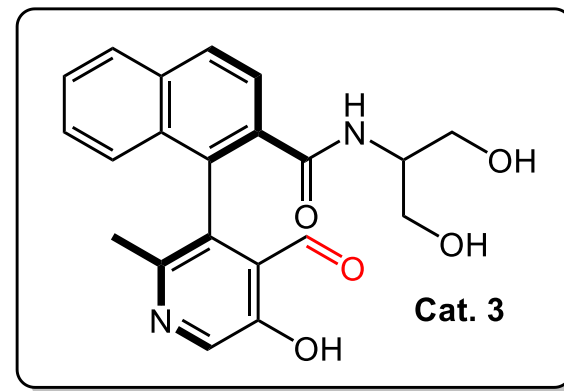
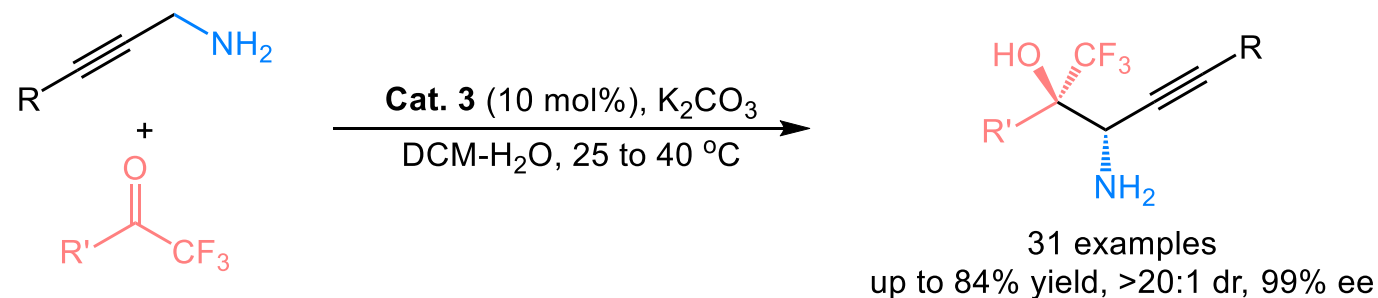
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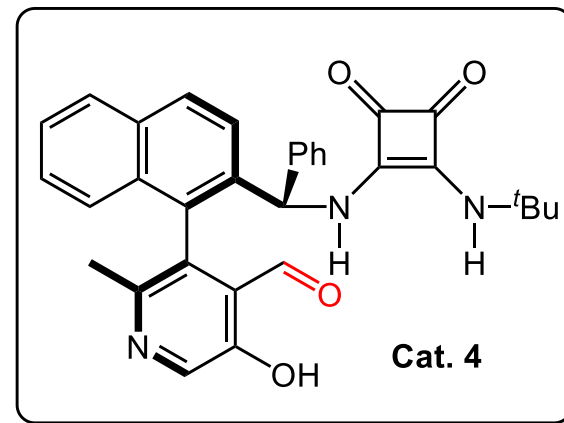
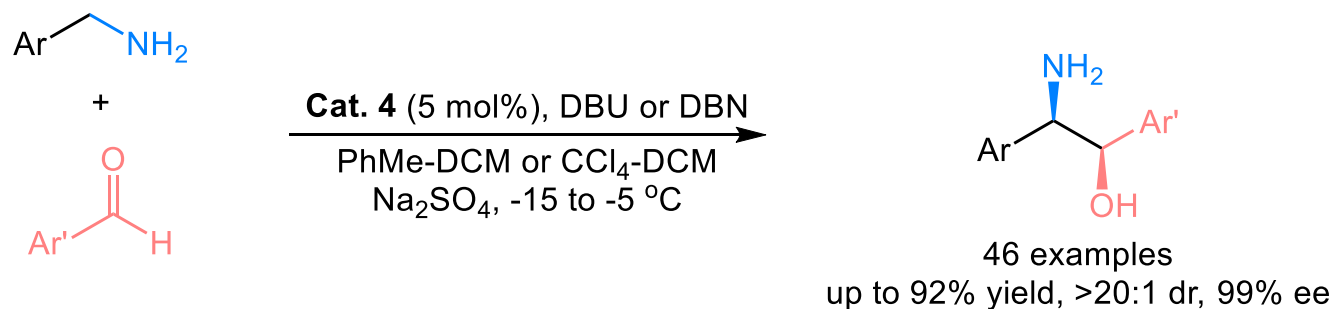
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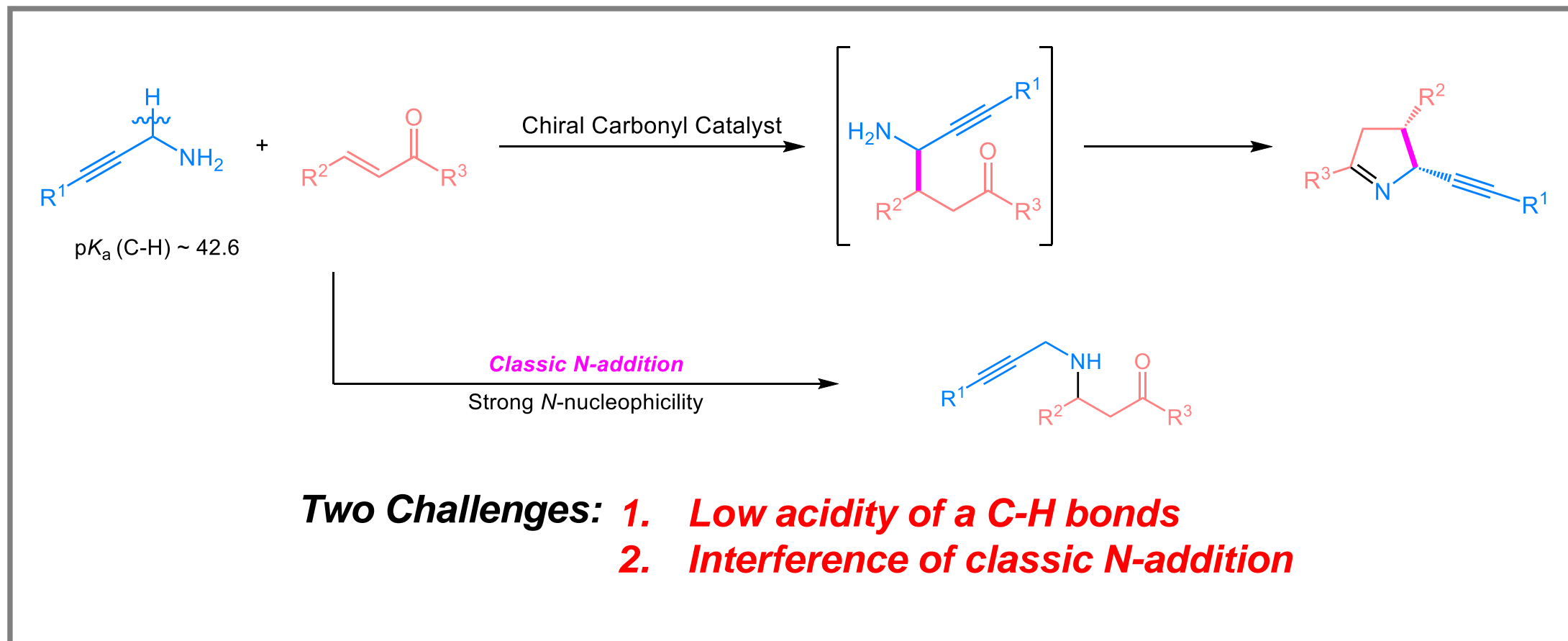


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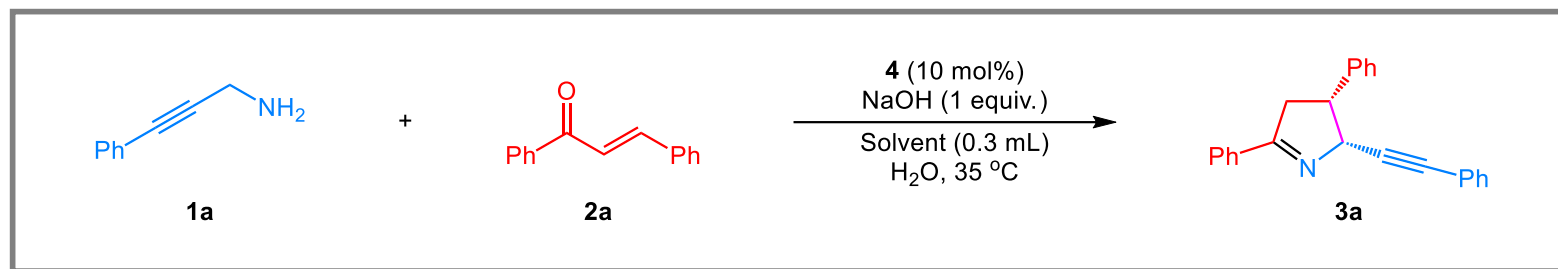


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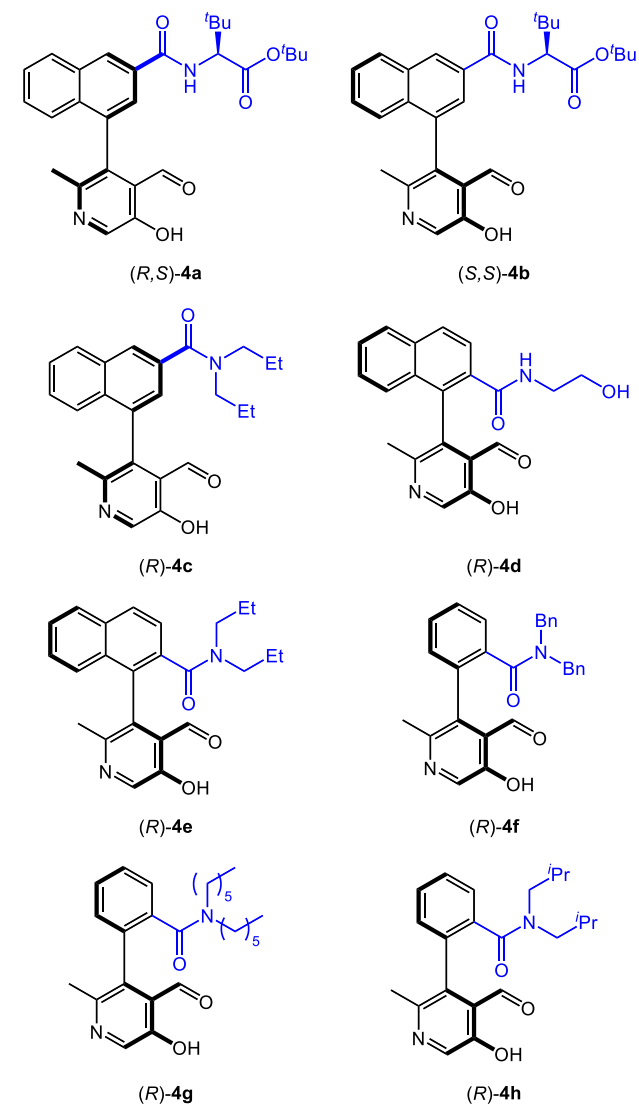


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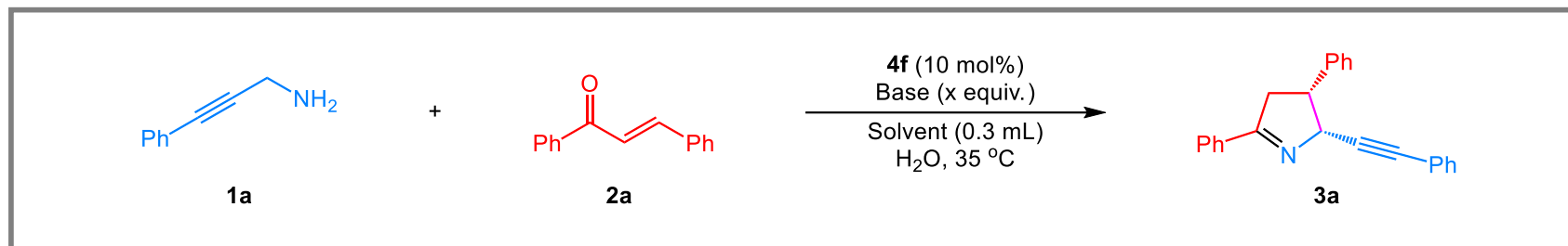


Entry	4	Solvent	Yield (%)	Dr	Ee (%)
1	4a	DCM	41	10:1	83
2	4a	Hexane	80	>20:1	81
3 ^b	-	Hexane	-	-	-
4	4b	Hexane	61	19:1	-69
5	4c	Hexane	55	>20:1	39
6	4d	Hexane	42	>20:1	66
7	4e	Hexane	51	5:1	94
8	4f	Hexane	55	>20:1	98
9	4g	Hexane	45	>20:1	95
10	4h	Hexane	50	>20:1	98

^aReaction conditions: **1a** (0.15 mmol), **2a** (0.10 mmol), **4** (0.010mmol), H₂O (40 μL) and NaOH (0.10 mmol) in solvent (0.30 mL) at 35 °C for 24 h unless otherwise stated. The ee values were determined by chiral HPLC analysis. The dr values were determined by ¹H NMR. ^bOnly *N*-addition product was observed. ^c2 equivalents of **1a**. ^d20 μL of H₂O. ^e80 μL of H₂O.



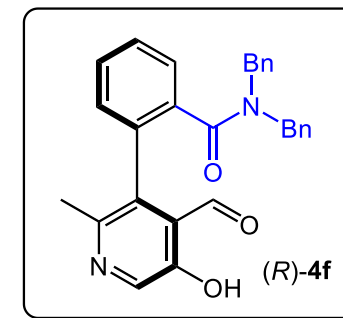
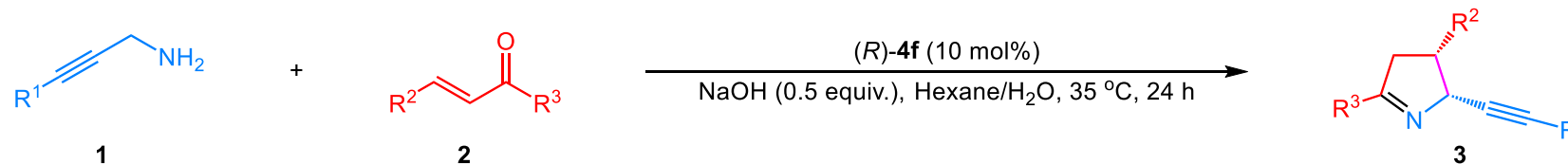
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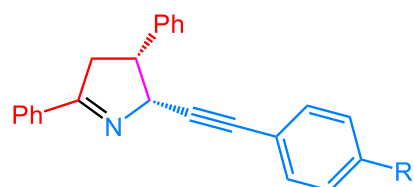
Entry	Solvent	Base (eq.)	H ₂ O (μL)	Yield (%)	Dr	Ee (%)
11	Hexane	NaOH (1.0)	40	55	>20:1	98
12	Toluene	NaOH (1.0)	40	44	>20:1	98
13	THF	NaOH (1.0)	40	35	>20:1	92
14	Hexane	NaOH (0.5)	40	72	>20:1	98
15	Hexane	LiOH (0.5)	40	57	>20:1	98
16	Hexane	KOH (0.5)	40	70	13:1	98
17	Hexane	CsOH (0.5)	40	68	10:1	98
18 ^c	Hexane	NaOH (0.5)	40	83	>20:1	98
19 ^c	Hexane	NaOH (0.5)	20	70	19:1	97
20 ^c	Hexane	NaOH (0.5)	80	86	>20:1	98

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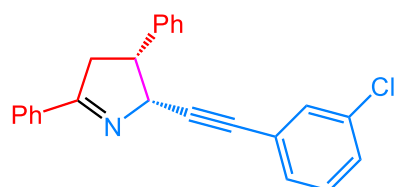
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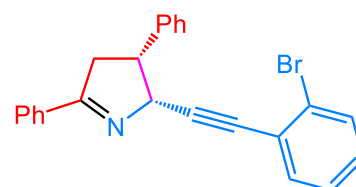
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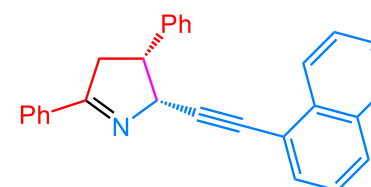
3a (R = H): 86%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee
3b (R = Me): 78%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee
3c (R = F): 92%, >20:1 dr, 99% ee



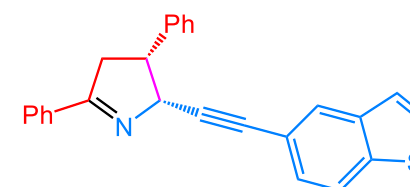
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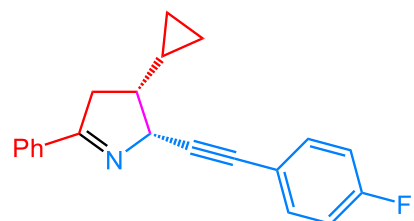
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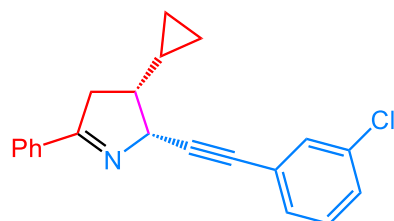
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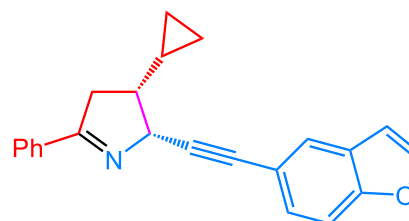
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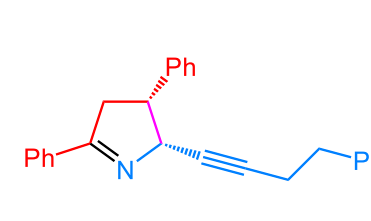
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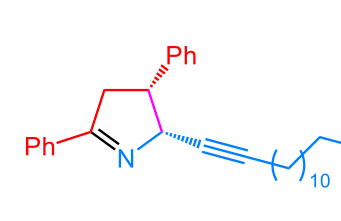
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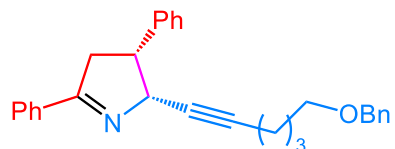
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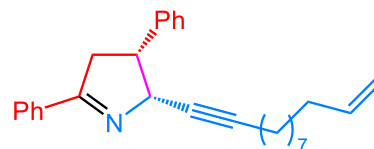
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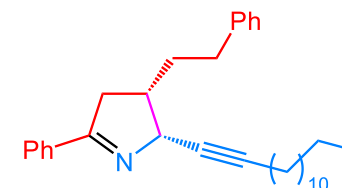
Propargylic Amines



3m^b: 65%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee

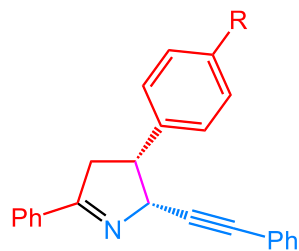


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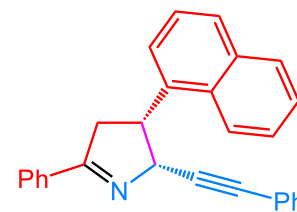


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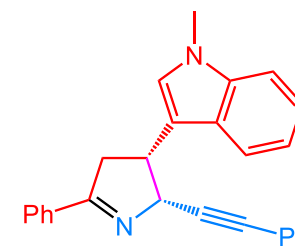
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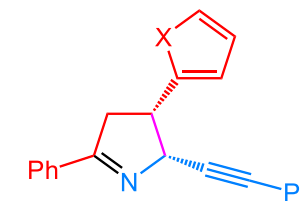
3p (R = F): 88%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee
3q (R = Cl): 82%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee
3r (R = Br): 78%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee
3s (R = NO₂): 43%, >20:1 dr, 97% ee
3t (R = OH): 35%, >20:1 dr, 31% ee



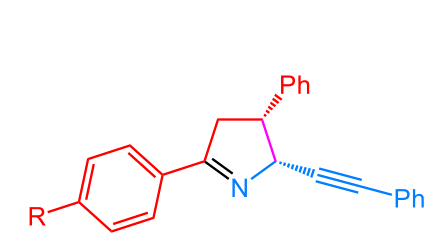
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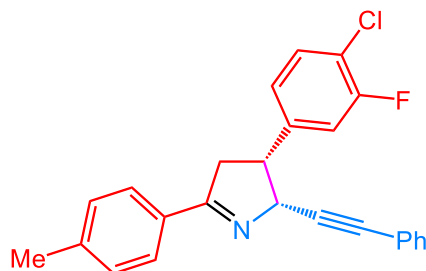
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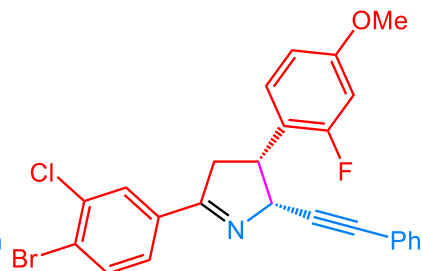
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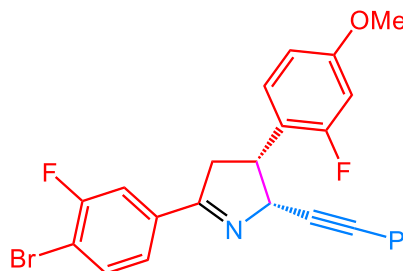
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3z (R = OMe): 70%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee



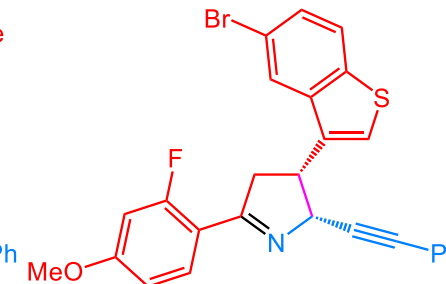
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3ab^b: 84%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee



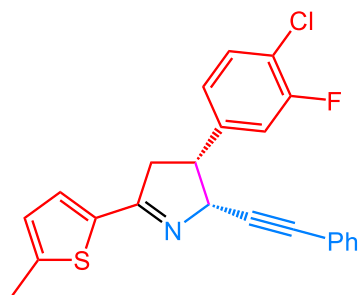
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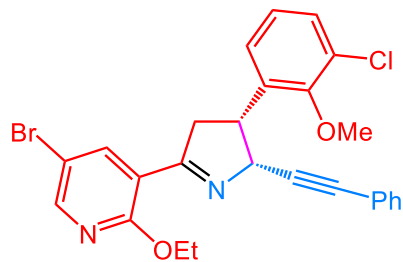
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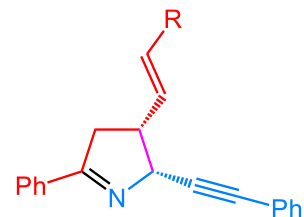
α,β -Unsaturated Ketones



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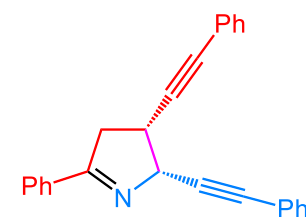


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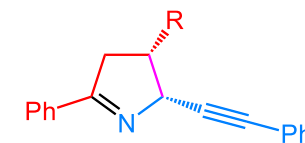


3ag (R = Ph): 60%, >20:1 dr, 97% ee

3ah (R = ⁿPr): 68%, >20:1 dr, 99% ee



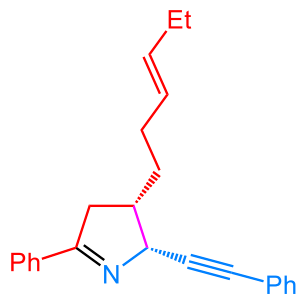
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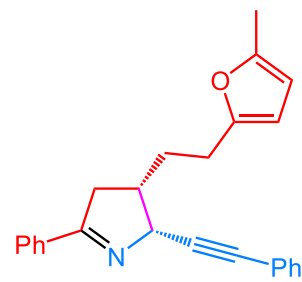
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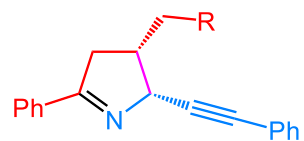
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3am: 61%, >20:1 dr, 91% ee

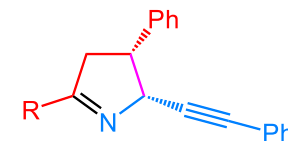


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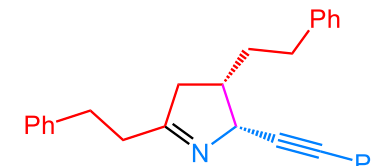
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3ap (R = Bn): 70%, >20:1 dr, 98% ee



3aq (R = Me): 68%, >20:1 dr, 94% ee

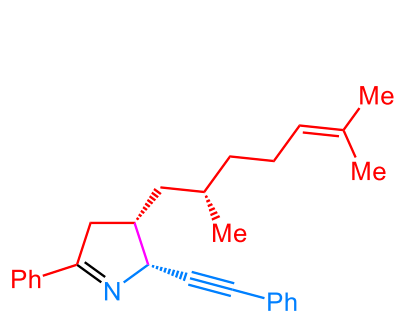
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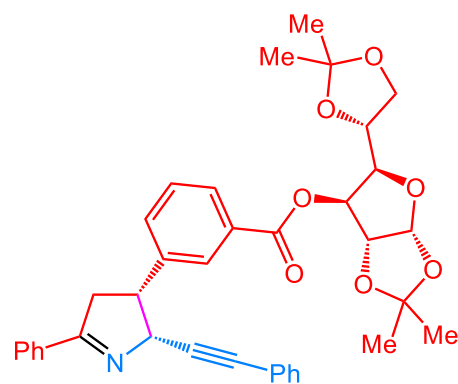
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Substrate Scope

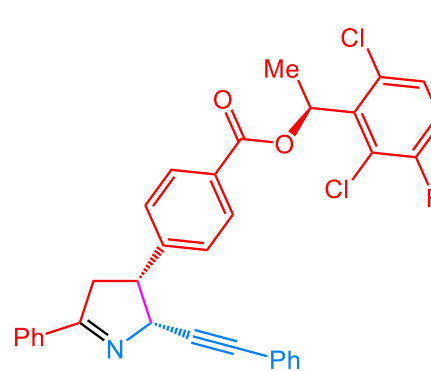
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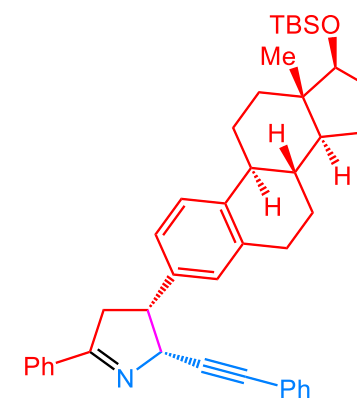
3at^a: 61%, 96:4 dr
from Citronellal



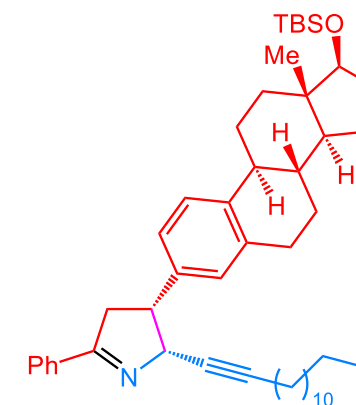
3au^d: 75%, 99:1 dr
from *D*-Glucose



3av^d: 64%, 99:1 dr
from Crizotinib intermediate



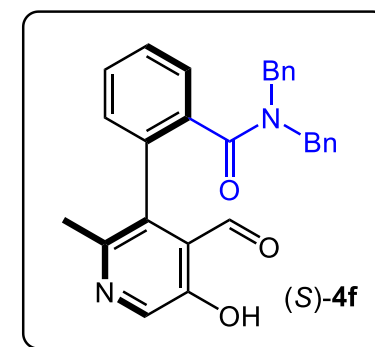
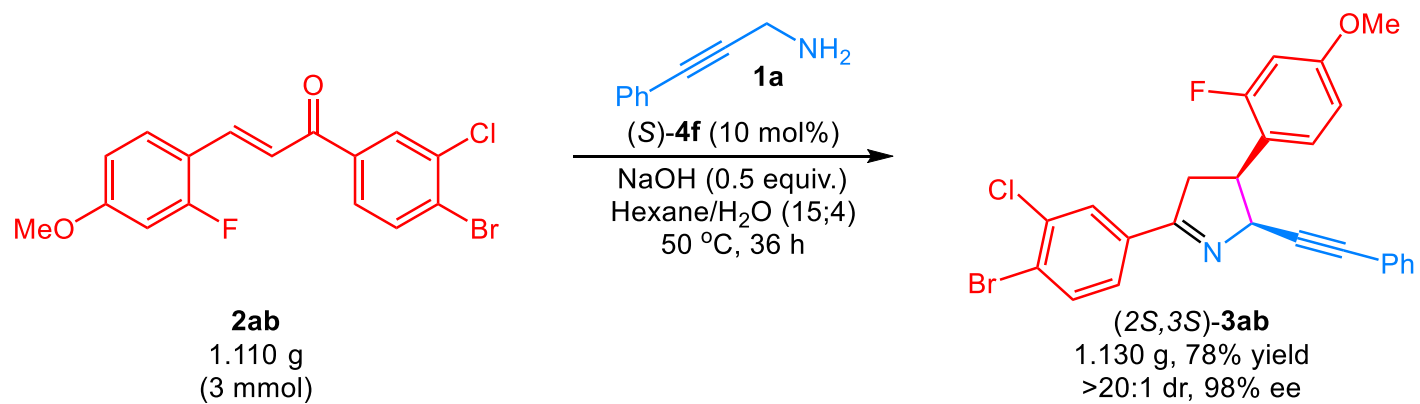
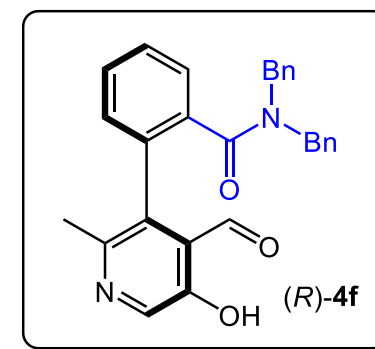
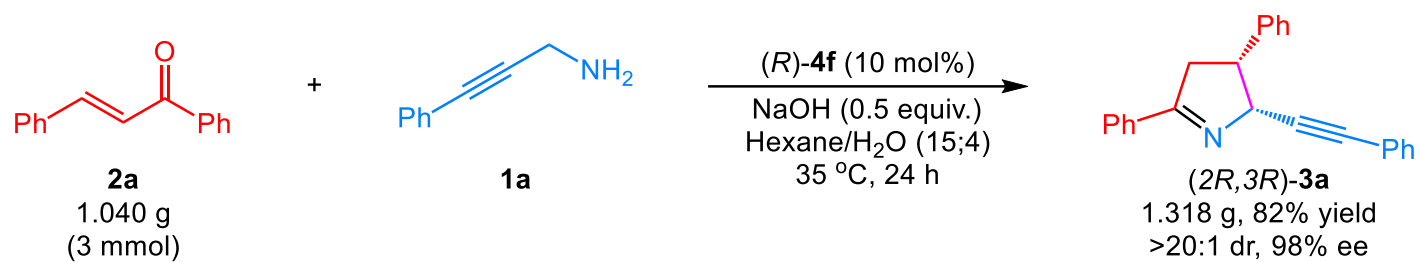
3aw^d: 74%, 99:1 dr
from Estradiol



3ax^d: 63%, 99:1 dr
from Estradiol

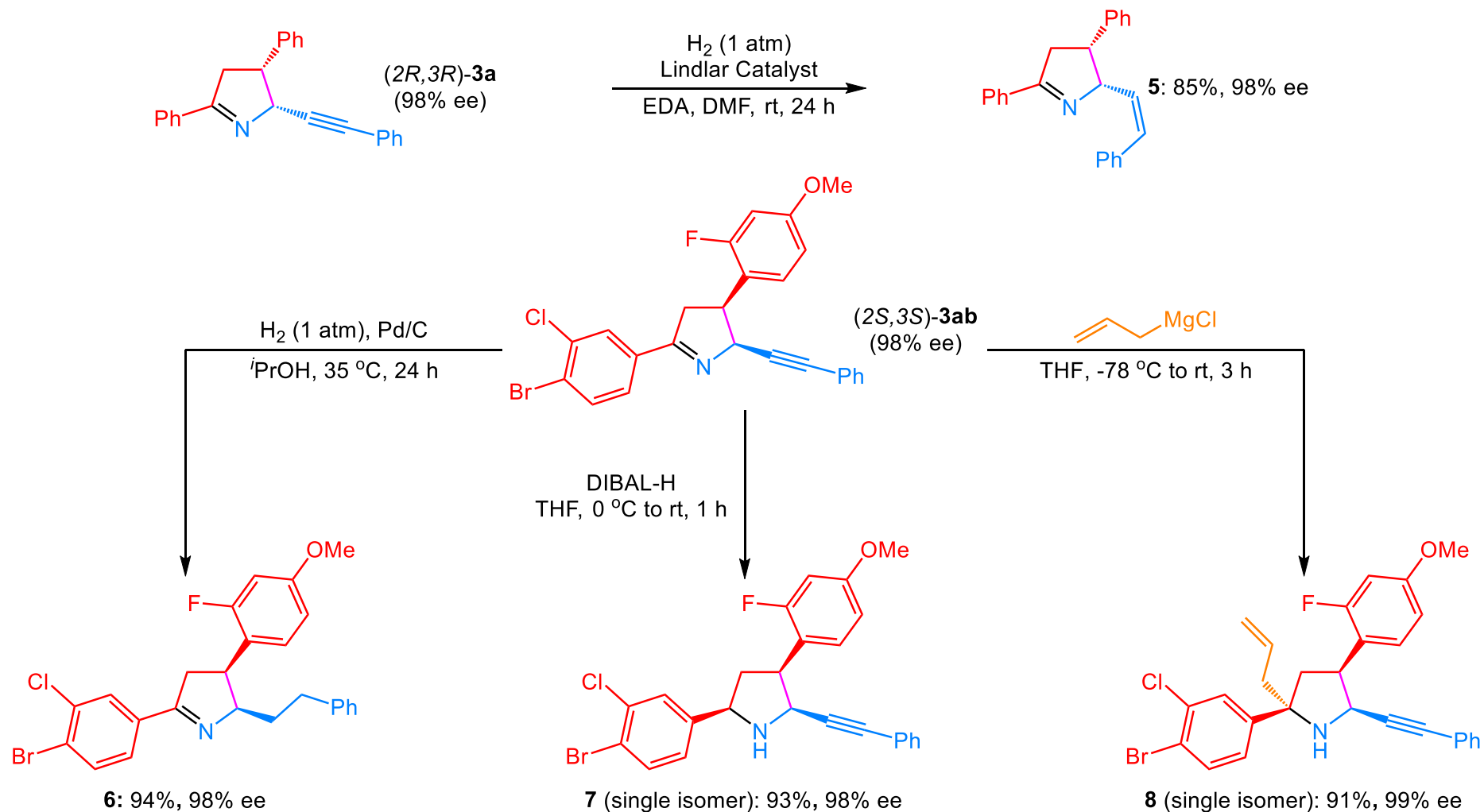
Synthetic Applications

Gram-Scale Reactions

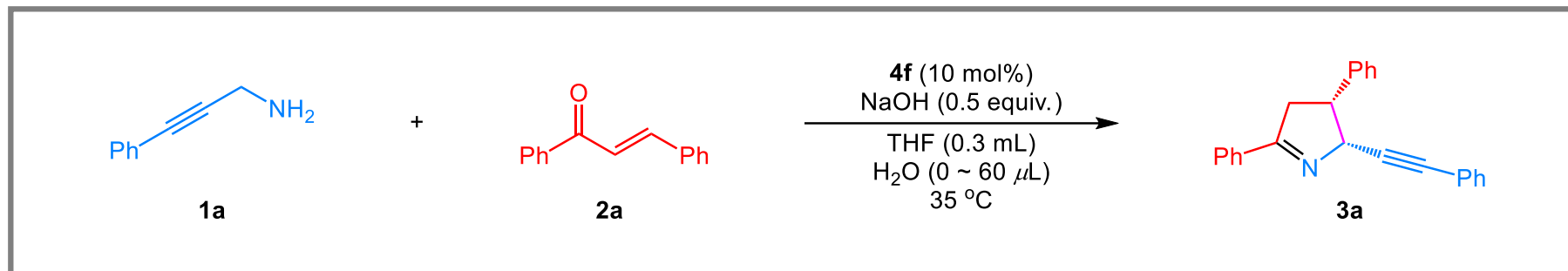


Synthetic Applications

Synthetic Transformations



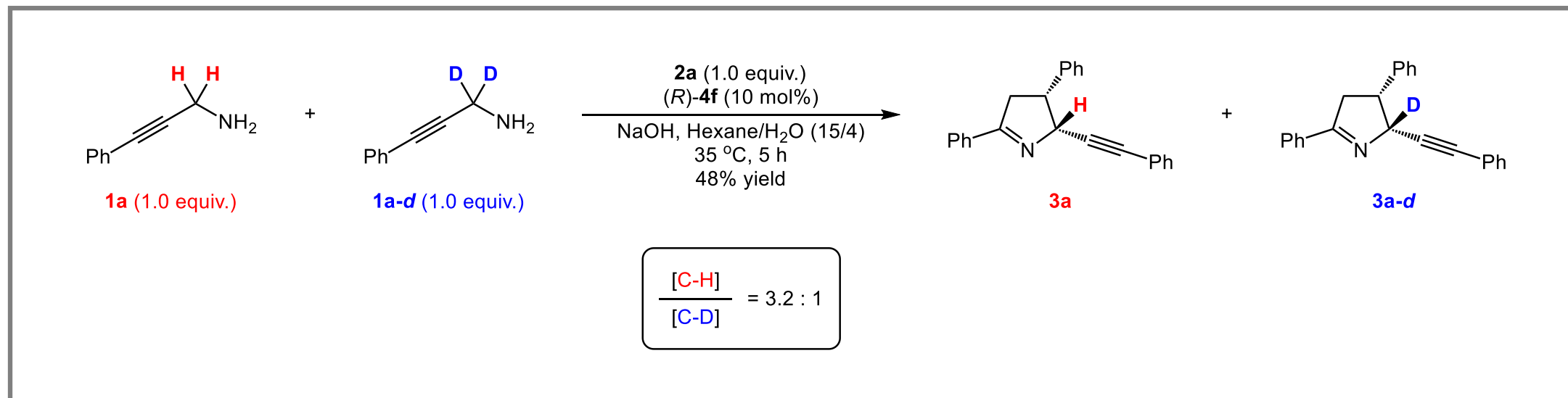
Mechanistic Investigation: Impact of Water



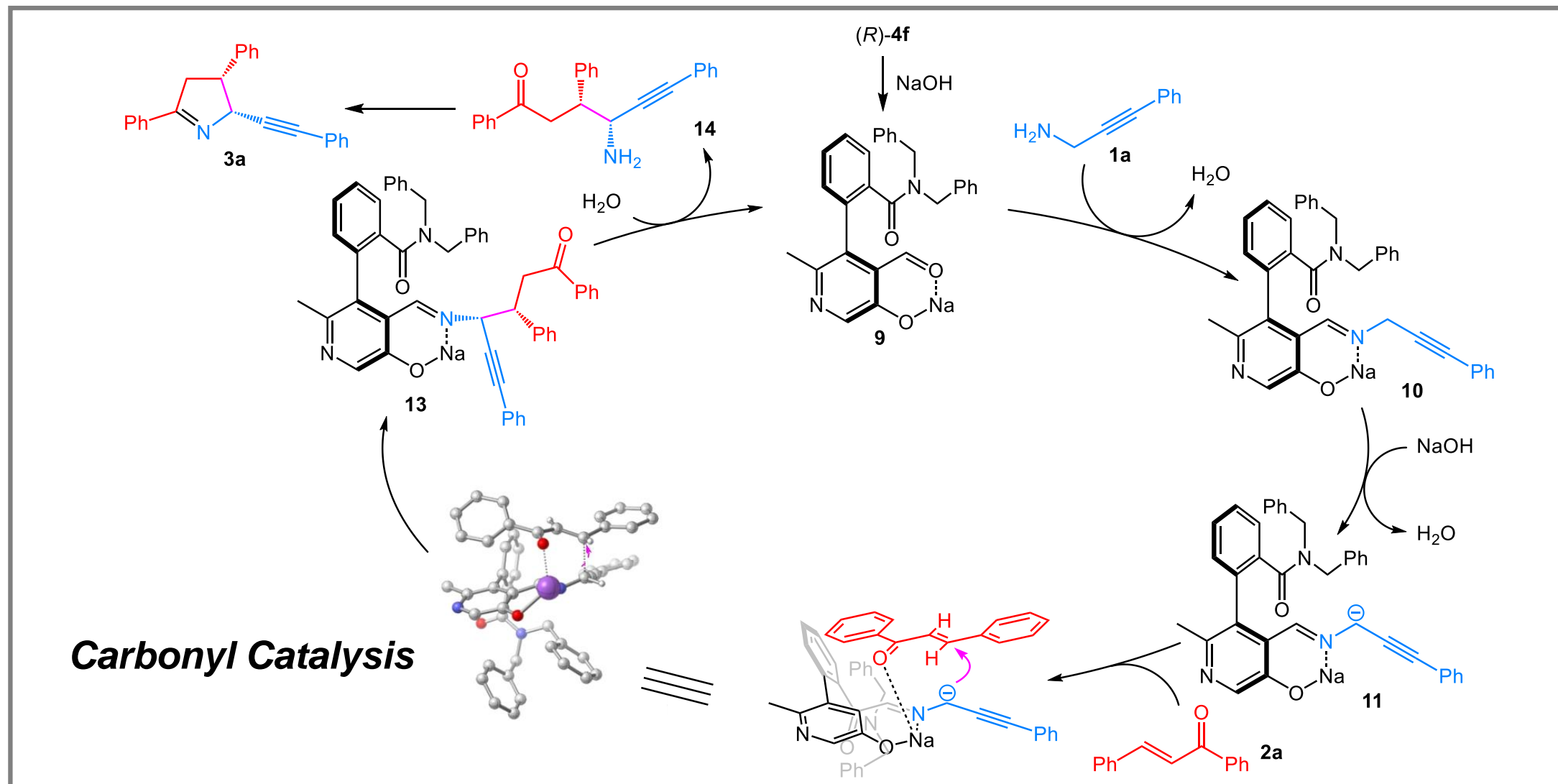
Entry	Additive	Yield (%)	Dr	Ee (%)
1	H ₂ O (0 μL)	-	-	-
2	Bu ₄ NCl (0.2 eq.), H ₂ O (0 μL)	trace	-	-
3 ^b	18-Crown-6 (0.2 eq.), H ₂ O (0 μL)	-	-	-
4	H ₂ O (10 μL)	trace	-	-
5	H ₂ O (20 μL)	23	>20:1	92
6	H ₂ O (40 μL)	40	>20:1	92
7	H ₂ O (60 μL)	49	>20:1	92

^aThe reactions were carried out with **1a** (0.20 mmol, 2.0 equiv.), **2a** (0.10 mmol, 1.0 equiv.), NaOH (0.05 mmol, 0.5 equiv.), (*R*)-**4f** (0.01 mmol, 10 mol%) and additive in THF (0.3 mL) at 35 °C for 24 h unless otherwise stated. Isolated yields were based on **2a**. The ee values were determined by chiral HPLC analysis. The dr values were determined by crude ¹H NMR. ^bKOH (0.2 equiv.) was employed instead of NaOH.

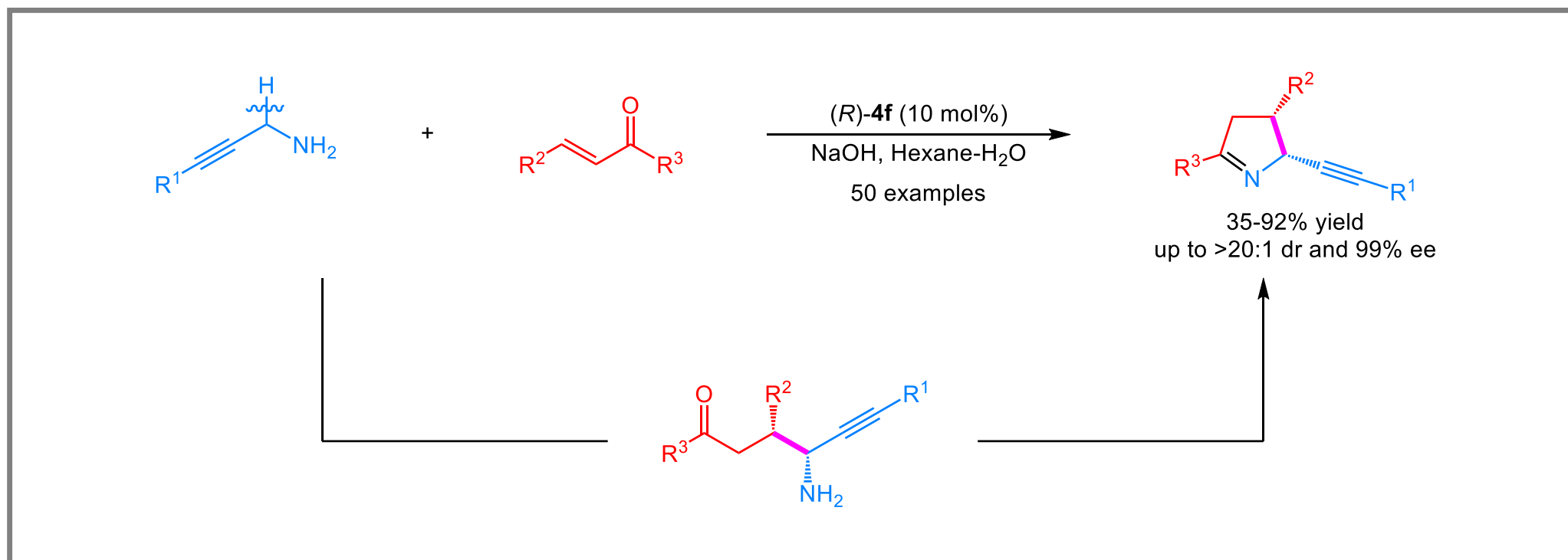
Mechanistic Investigation: KIE Studies



Proposed Reaction Mechanism



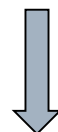
Summary



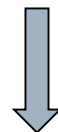
- **Mild Reaction Conditions**
- **Broad Substrate Scope**
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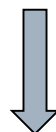
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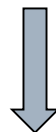
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Representative Examples

- Second, the classical *N*-addition may **disrupt** the desired α -C conjugate addition.
(**disrupt**, v. 中断, 扰乱)
- The synthetic transformations of products **3a** and **3ab** are **depicted** in Scheme 3.
(**depict**, v. 描述, 描绘)
- For the step from intermediate **13** to **14**, control experiments indicated that hydrolysis dominated the process and amine exchange between **13** and **1** played a **negligible** role for the conversion. (**negligible**, adj. 微不足道的, 不值一提的, 反义词: **nonnegligible**)

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