# **Literature Report 7**

A chiral pool approach for asymmetric syntheses of (-)-antrocin, (+)-asperolide C, and (-)-*trans*-ozic acid

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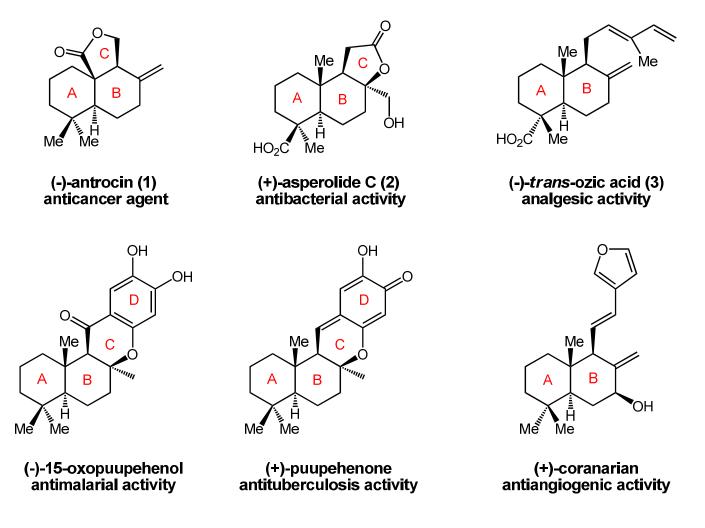
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Total synthesis of (+)-asperolide C by Carreira

3 Total synthesis of (-)-antrocin by Yang



#### Introduction



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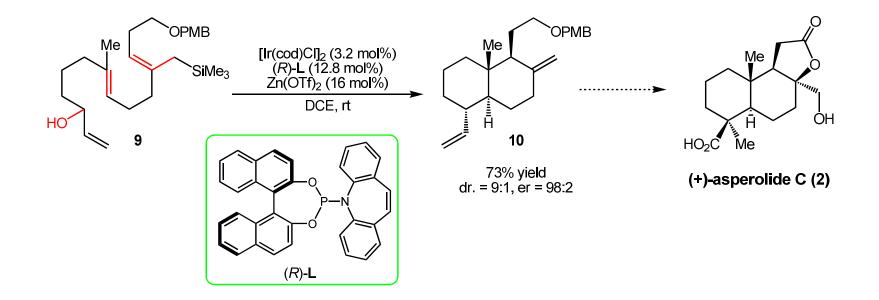
## Introduction



◆ (-)-Antrocin can be found in an expensive medicinal mushroom Antrodia camphorata in Taiwan.

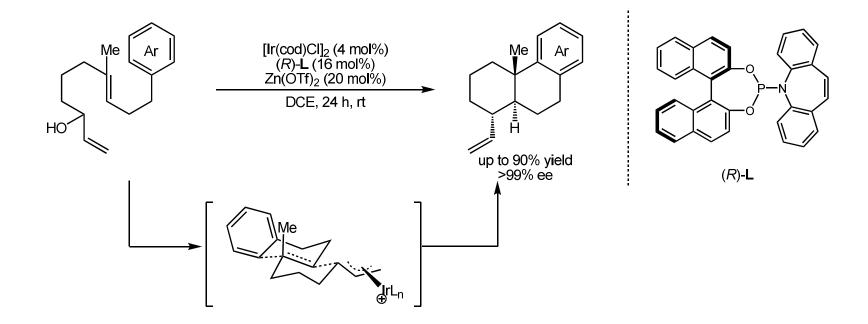
 (-)-Antrocin can be used as a dietary supplement for cancer prevention and hepatoprotection.

It is a potent antagonist in various cancer cells and can affect lung cancer cells through inhibition of the JAK/STAT3 signaling pathway.



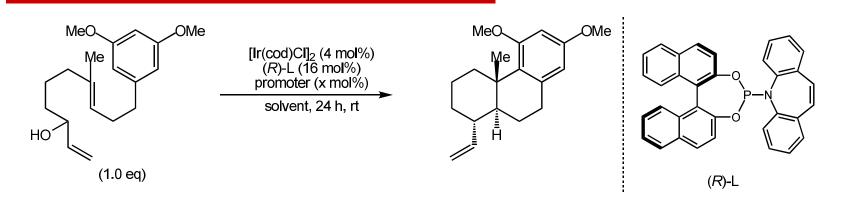
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### Iridium-catalyzed enantioselective cyclization



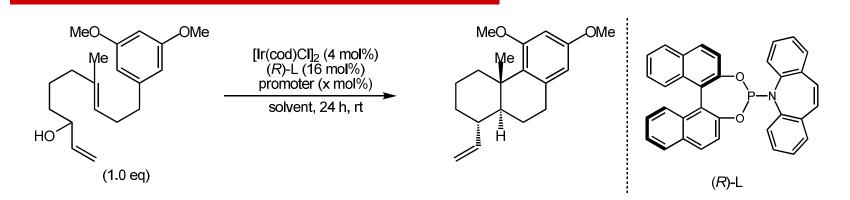
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## **Optimization of the reaction condition**



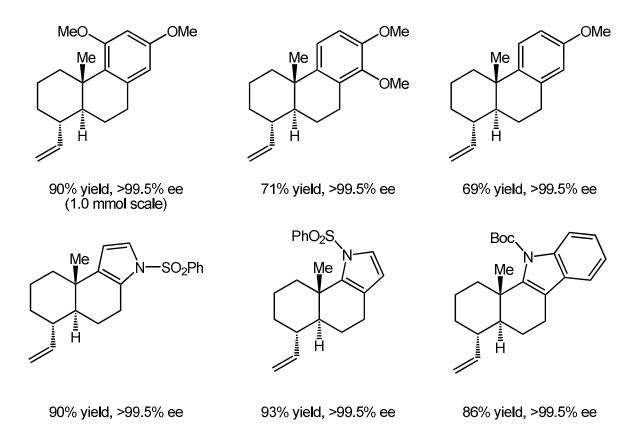
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1	P(O)(OBu) <sub>2</sub> OH	50	DCE	42	89
2	Bi(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	10	DCE	71	96
3	Sc(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	10	DCE	91	80
4	In(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	10	DCE	84	88
5	Yb(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	10	DCE	79	94
6	Zn(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	10	DCE	72	>99.5

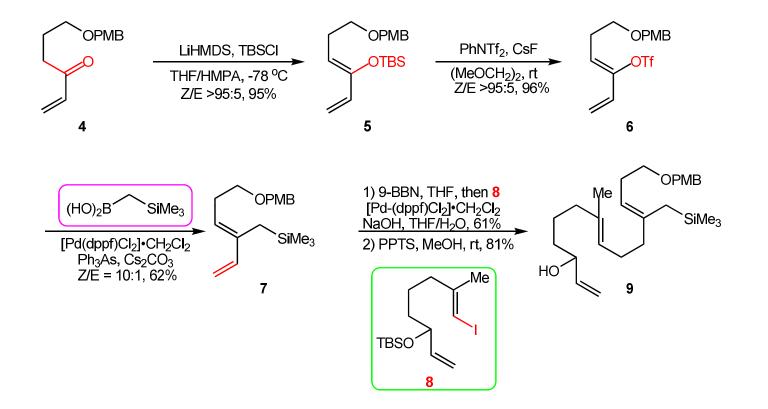
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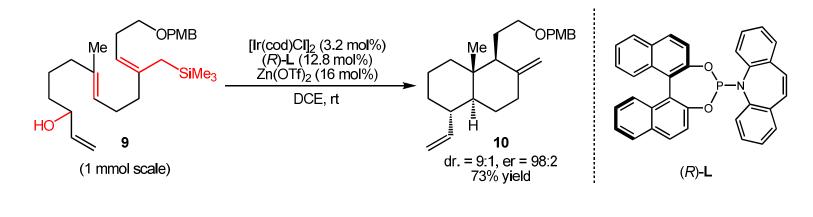
entry	promoter	x (mol%)	solvent	yield (%)	ee (%)
7	Zn(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	10	Dioxane	8	>99.5
8	Zn(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	10	DMF	NR	
9	Zn(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	20	DCE	90	>99.5
10	Zn(OTf) <sub>2</sub>	50	DCE	83	99
11	TfOH	20	DCE	12	81

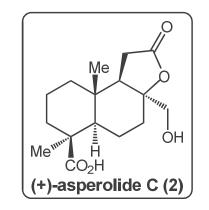
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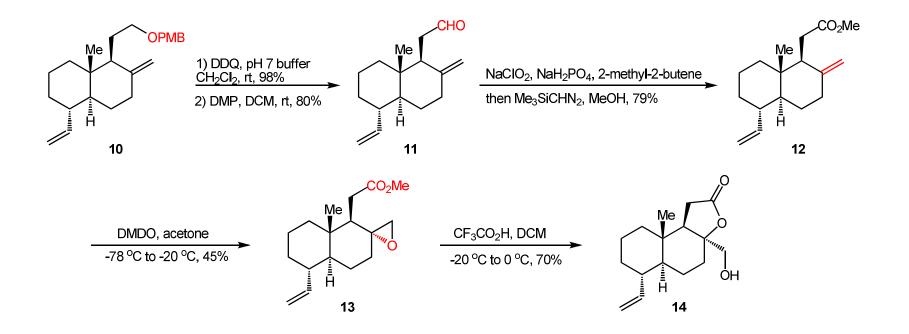


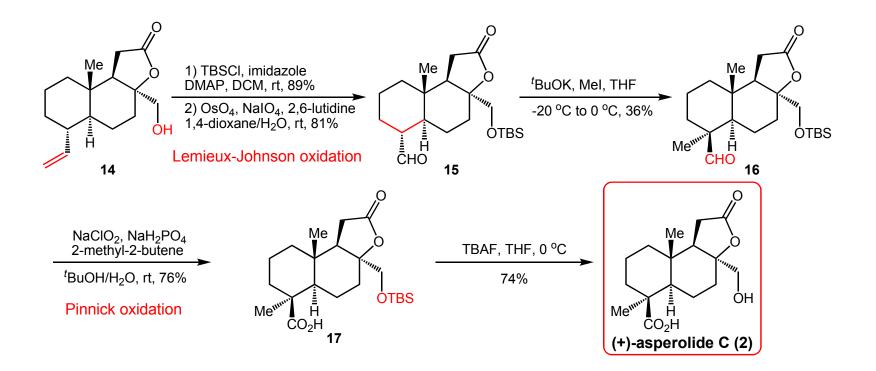


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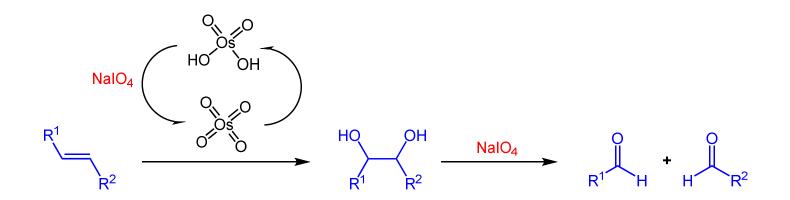




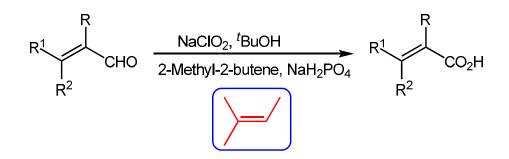
## Lemieux–Johnson oxidation

◆ The Lemieux–Johnson oxidation is a <u>chemical reaction</u> in which an <u>olefin</u> undergoes oxidative cleavage to form two <u>aldehyde</u> or <u>ketone</u> units.

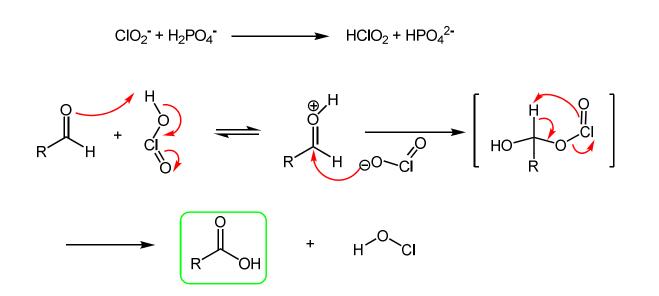
Excess periodate is used to regenerate the osmium tetroxide, allowing it to be used in catalytic amounts.



The Pinnick oxidation is an organic reaction by which <u>aldehydes</u> can be oxidized into their corresponding <u>carboxylic acids</u> using <u>sodium</u> <u>chlorite</u> (NaClO<sub>2</sub>) under mild <u>acidic</u> conditions.

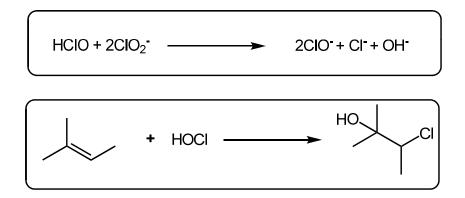


#### The mechanism of Pinnick oxidation

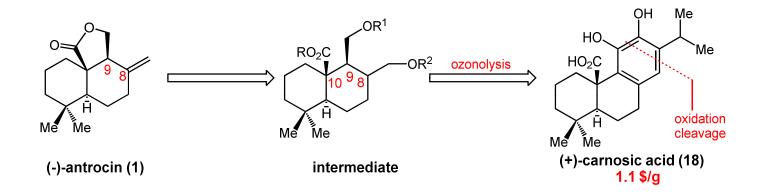


#### **Side reactions and scavengers**

- The HCIO byproduct is itself a reactive chemical that can destroy the NaClO<sub>2</sub> reactant or cause other undesired reactions with the organic materials.
- To prevent this interference, various <u>scavengers</u> are usually added to the reaction to consume the HCIO as it is formed.

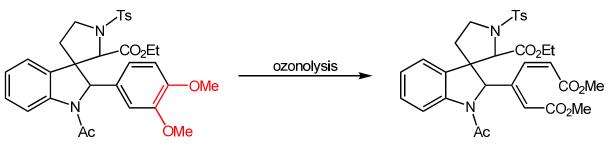


### **Retrosynthetic analysis of (-)-antrocin**



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#### **Ozonolysis reactions of phenol derivatives**



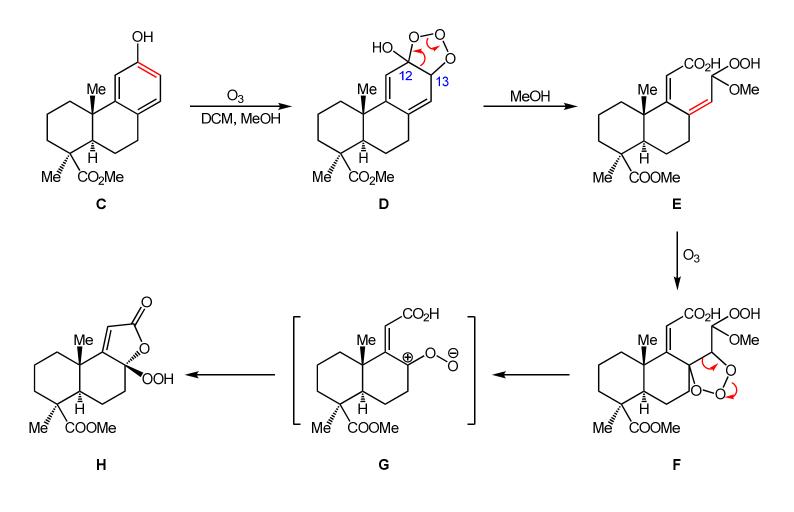
1,2-dimethoxybenzene (A)

dimethyl hexa-2,4-dienedioate (B)

Ozonolysis of the electron-rich 1,2-dimethoxybenzene moiety in substrate **A** to intermediate **B** in the first total synthesis of strychnine by Woodward.

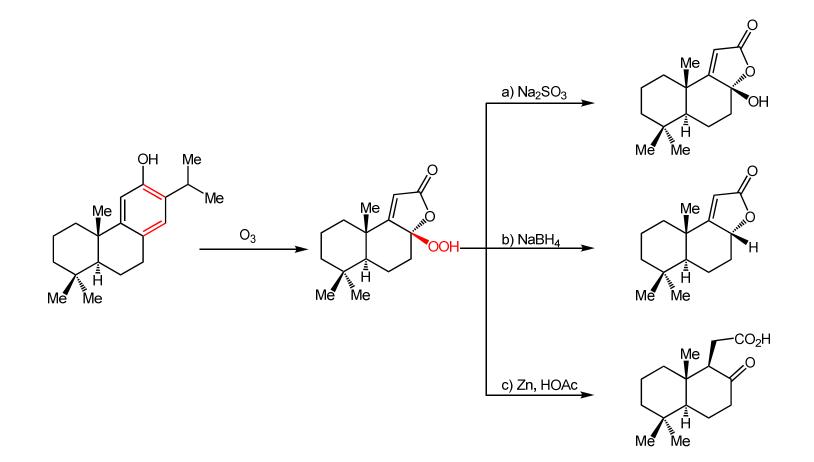
Woodward, R. B. et al J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1954, 76, 4749.

#### **Ozonolysis reactions of phenols**



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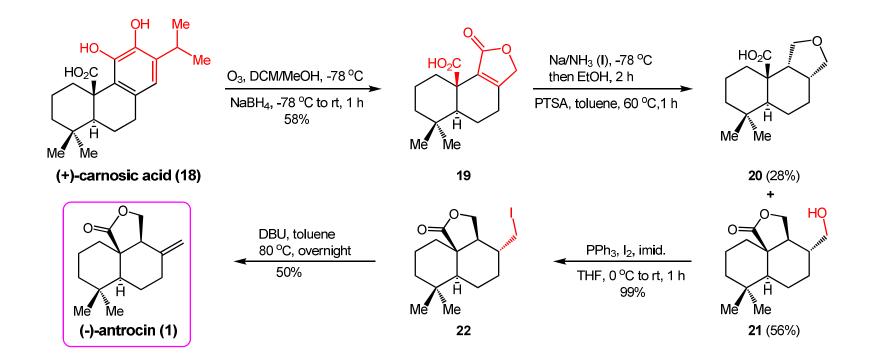
## **Ozonolysis of phenolic dehydroabietic acid derivatives**



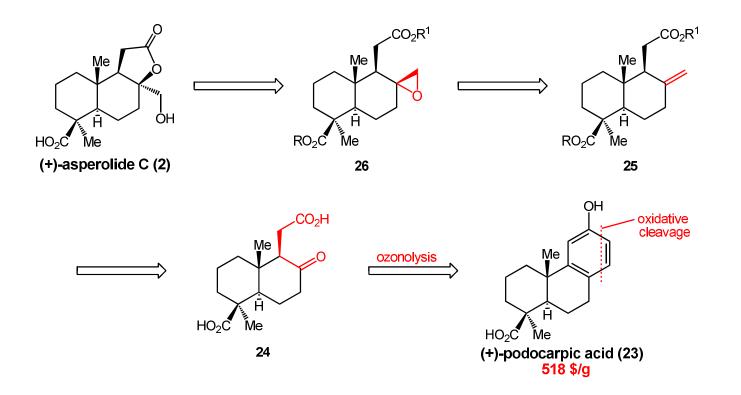
Oishi, T. et al Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 39, 3733.

#### Synthesis of (-)-antrocin from (+)-carnosic acid

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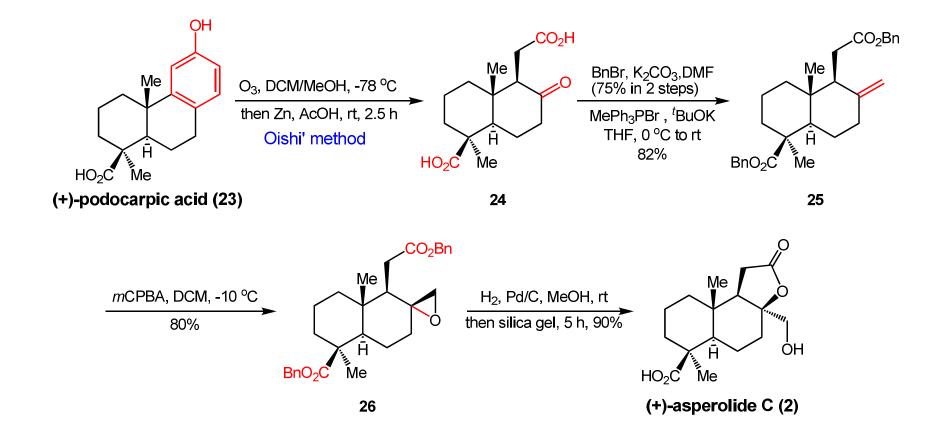


### **Retrosynthetic analysis of (+)-asperolide C**

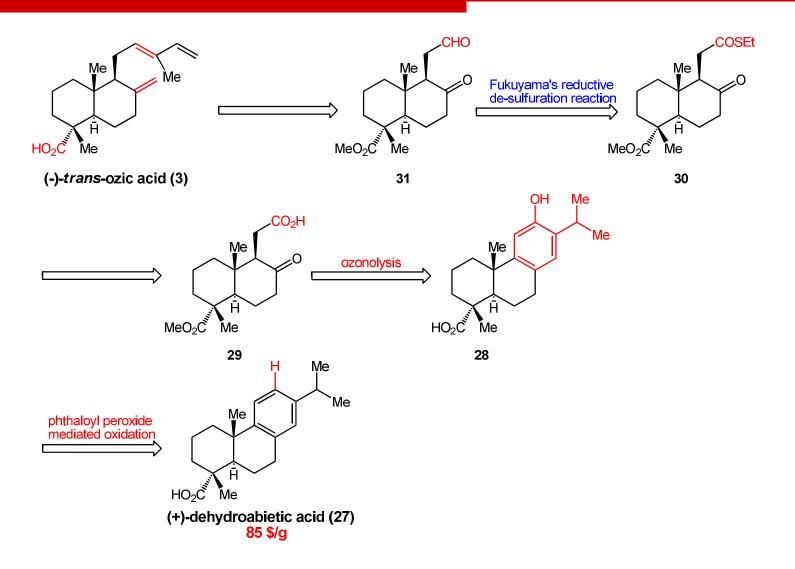


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## Synthesis of (+)-asperolide C from (+)-podocarpic acid

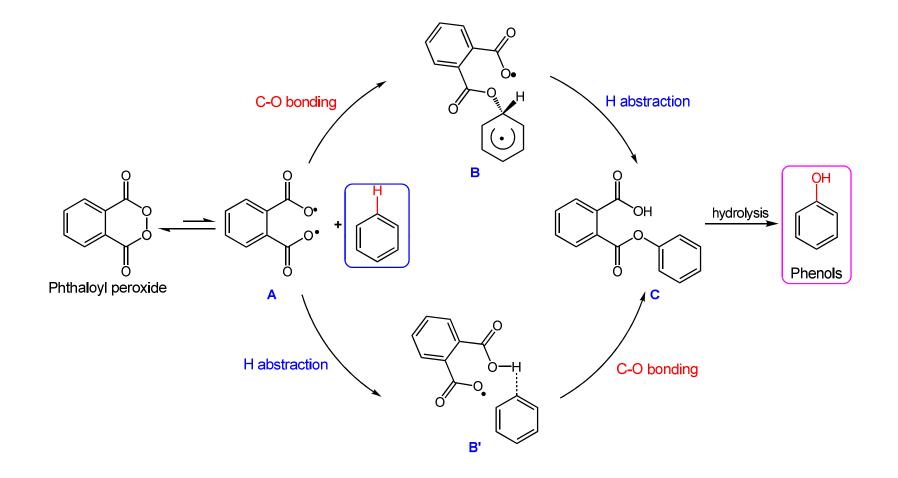


#### **Retrosynthetic analysis**



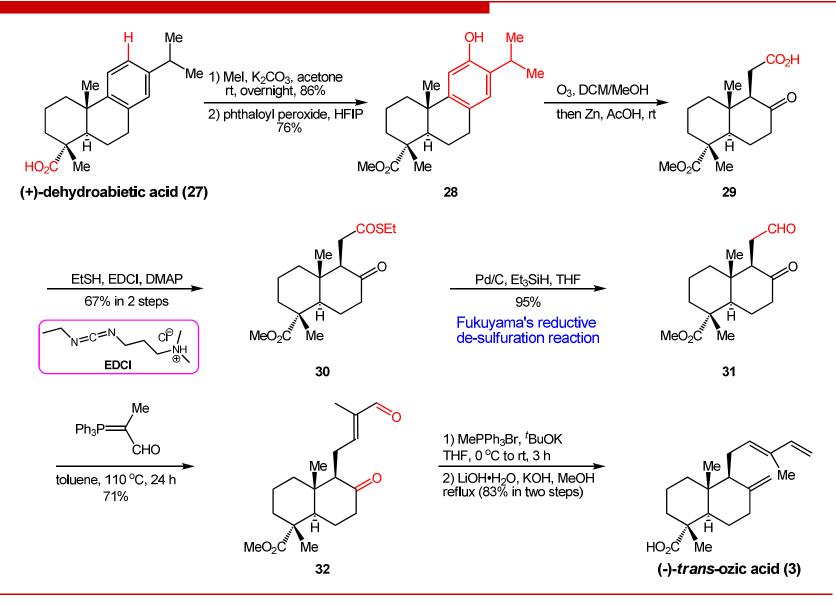
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## **Proposed diradical activation leading to aryl C–H oxidation**

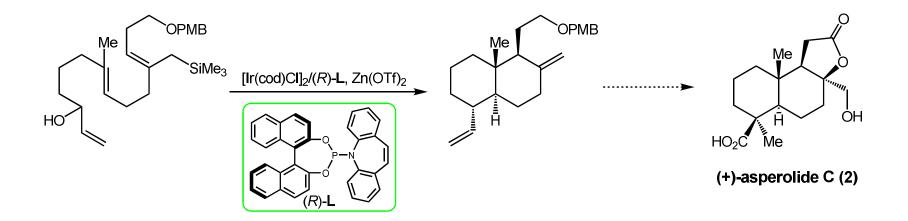


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## Synthesis of (-)-trans-ozic acid from (+)-dehydroabietic acid



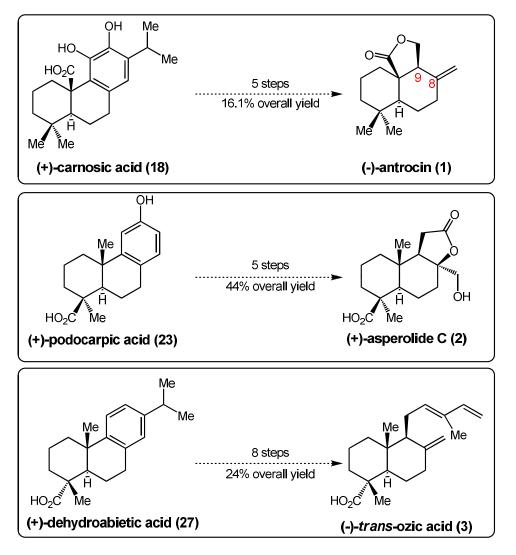
## Summary



- The first total synthesis of (-)-asperolide C.
- The asymmetric synthesis of (+)-asperolide C was achieved in 16 steps with 0.6% overall yield.
- Iridium-catalyzed asymmetric polyene cyclization as a key step.

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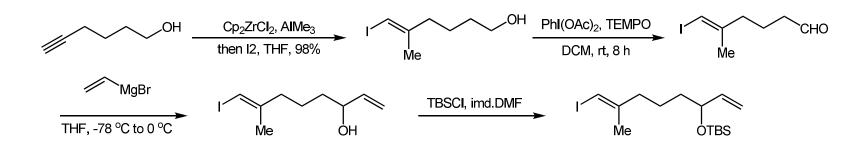
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(-)-Antrocin, (+)-asperolide C, and (-)-*trans*-ozic acid are naturally occurring terpenoids and have been the subject of synthetic interest because of their biological activities. Antrocin (1) has been synthesized by us as a racemic mixture *via* a gold-catalyzed tandem reaction of diynes as a key step to construct its drimane core; this total synthesis was achieved in 11 steps with 7.3% overall yield. The total synthesis of asperolide C (2) and *trans*-ozic acid (3) has been asymmetrically achieved using iridium-catalyzed asymmetric polyene cyclization as a key step.

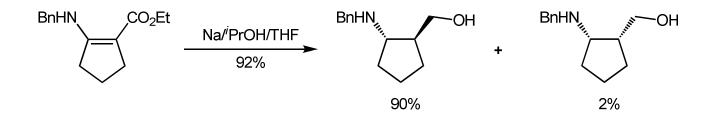
In summary, we have developed a unified strategy for the asymmetric syntheses of terpenoids based on a chiral pool strategy from naturally occurring aromatic abietanes using ozonolysis as a key step. This strategy not only achieves the syntheses of (-)-antrocin (1), (+)-asperolide C (2), and (-)-*trans*-ozic acid (3) but also provides an efficient approach to access analogs of these biologically active terpenoids.



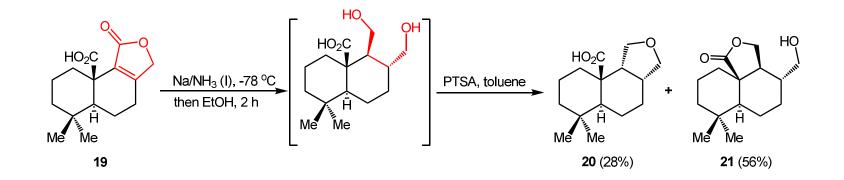
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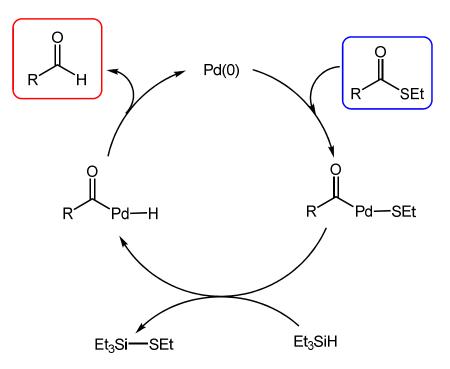
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#### Fukuyama's reductive de-sulfuration reaction



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