

# Literature Report II

## Scalable Enantioselective Total Synthesis of (-)-Goniomitine

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## Research Interests:

- The discovery and development of new catalytic synthetic methods
  - The asymmetric total synthesis of various biologically active natural products
  - The design and synthesis of new highly efficient chiral ligands and catalysts
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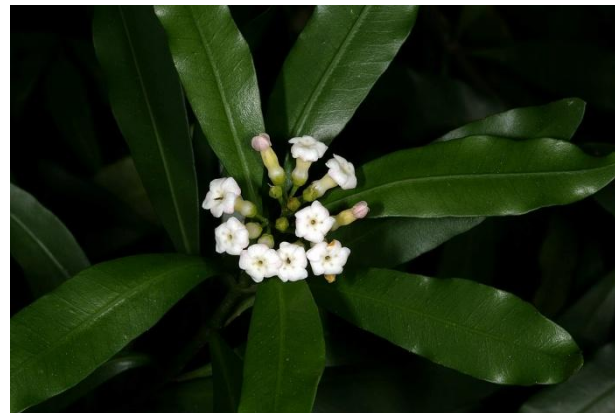
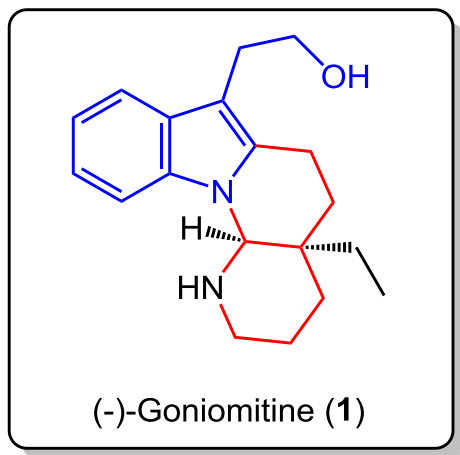
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**3** Summary

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# Introduction

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*Gonioma Malagasy*

- It is an important member of the Aspidosperma family of indole alkaloids, and was isolated from the root bark of *Gonioma Malagasy* by Husson et al in 1987;
- It displays promising antiproliferative activity in several tumor cell lines;
- It has a unique octahydroindolo[1,2-α][1,8]naphthyridine core together with a tryptophol moiety.

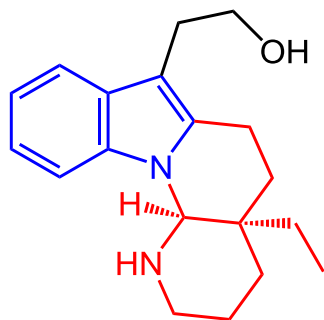
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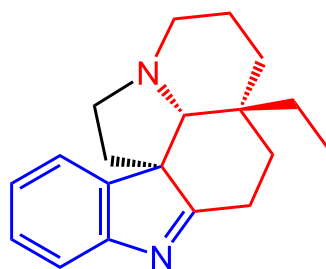
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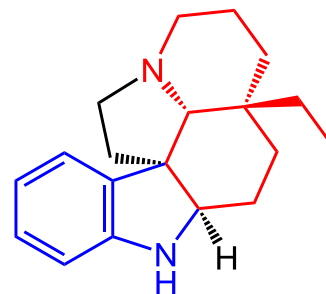
## Representative *Aspidosperma* family monoterpene indole alkaloids



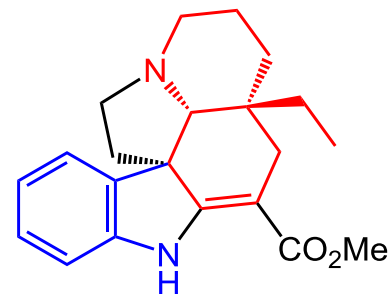
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(+)-1,2-dehydro  
aspidospermidine (2)



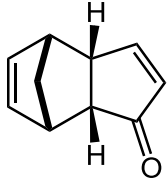
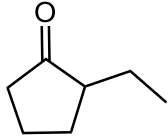
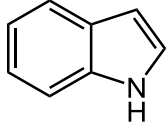
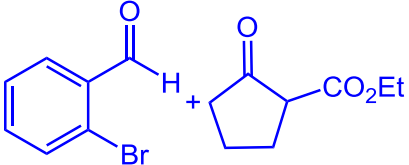
(+)-aspidospermidine (3)



(+)-vincadifformine (4)

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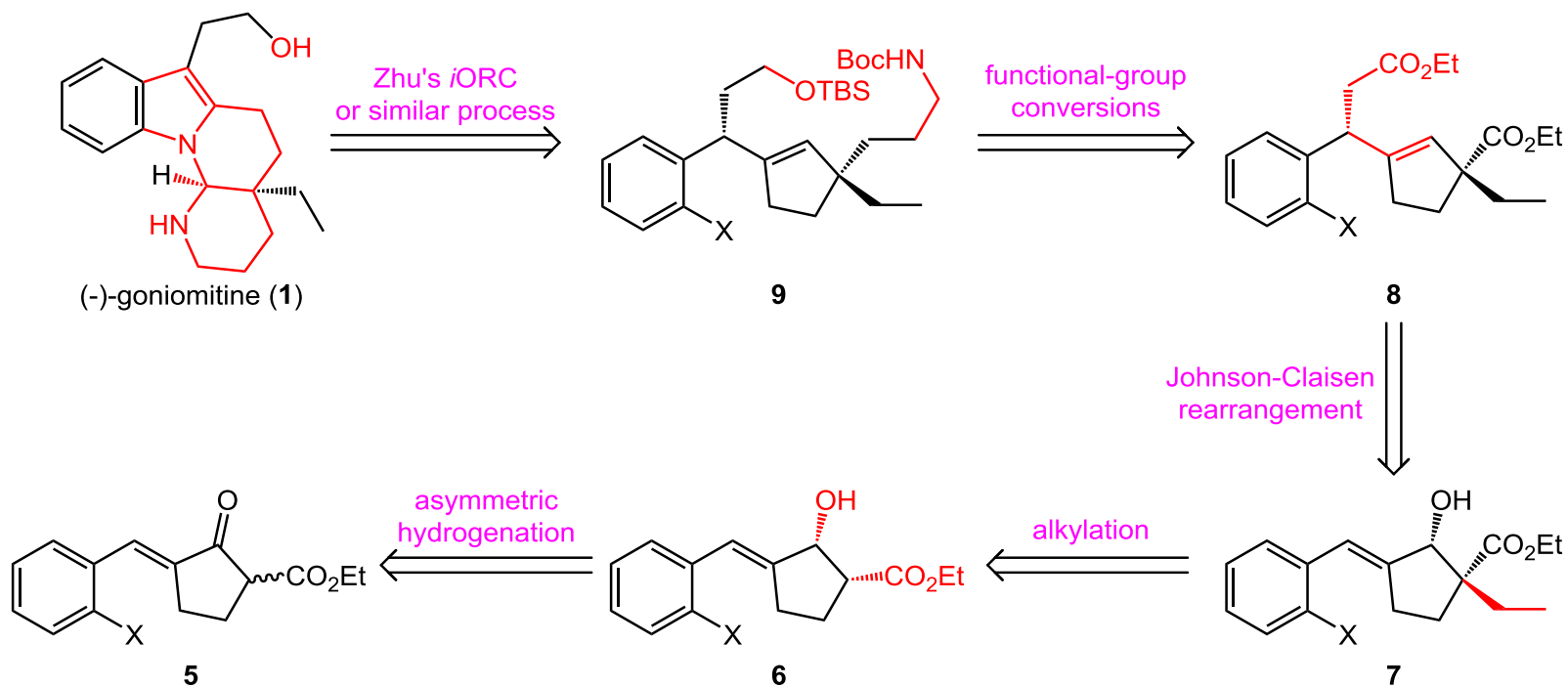
Entry	Starting materials	Overall yield (steps, mg)	Authors
1		2.8% (24 steps)	Takano, S.
2		24% (5 steps, 9.2 mg)	Zu, L.
3		8% (11 steps, 33 mg)	Stoltz, B. M.
4		27% (11 steps, 716 mg)	Xie, J.

Stoltz, B. M. *et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2016**, *55*, 13529.

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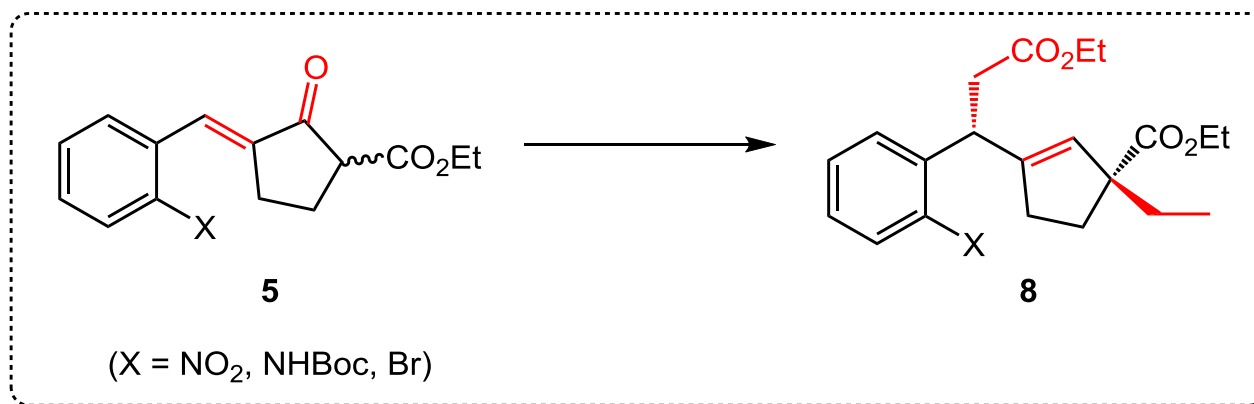
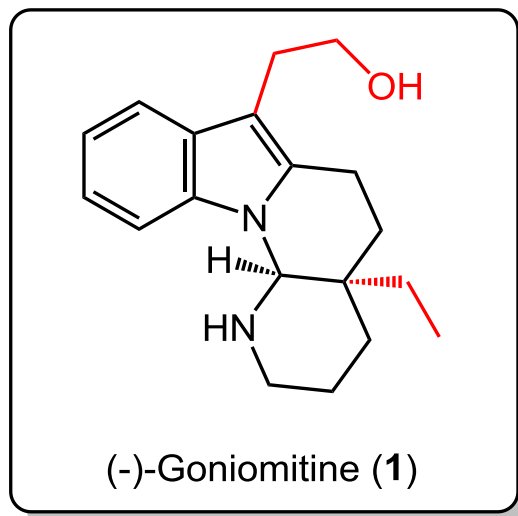
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(X = NO<sub>2</sub>, NHBoc, Br)

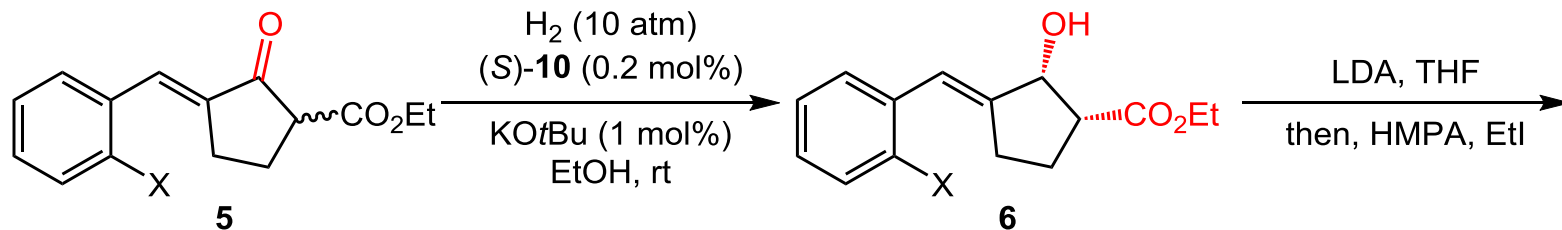
*i*ORC: integrated oxidation/reduction/cyclization

# The synthesis of 8



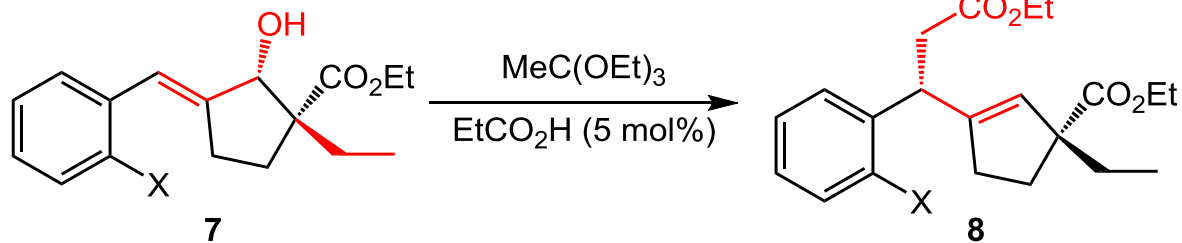


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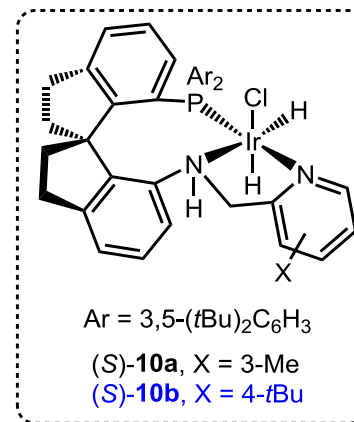
**5a**, X = Br  
**5b**, X = NO<sub>2</sub>  
**5c**, X = NHBoc

**6a**, (S)-**10b**, 95%, 92% ee  
**6b**, (S)-**10b**, 98%, 91% ee  
**6c**, (S)-**10a**, 87%, 80% ee

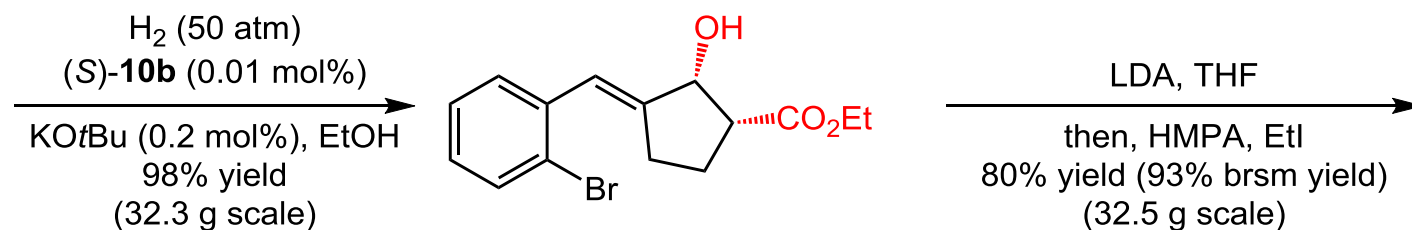
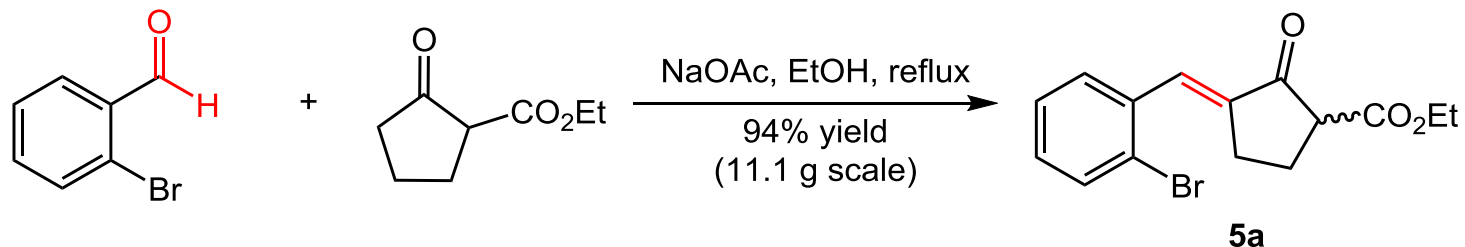


**7a**, 75%  
**7b**, 30%  
**7c**, 60%

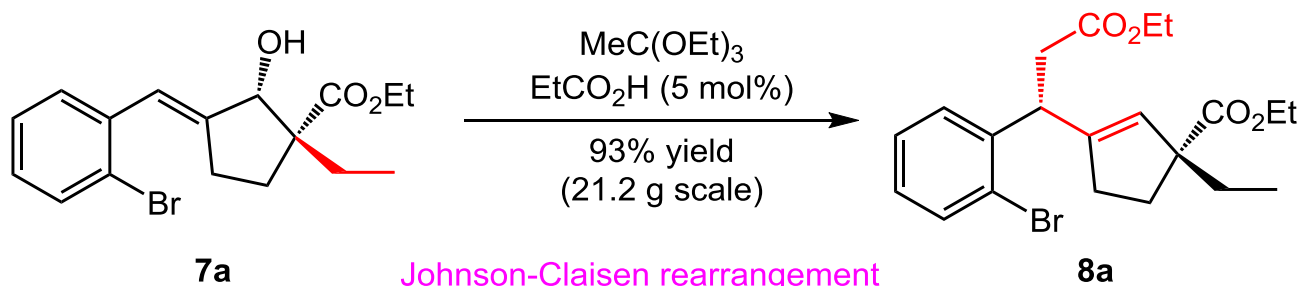
**8a**, 93%  
**8b**, 71%  
**8c**, 74%



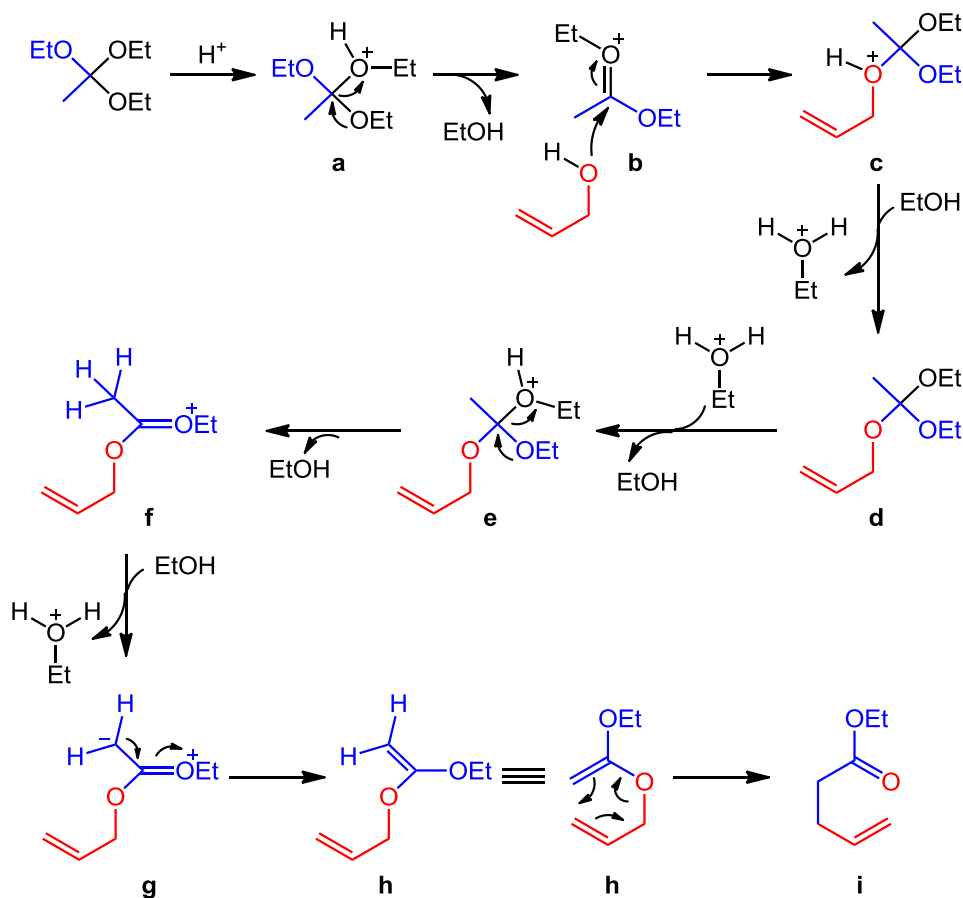
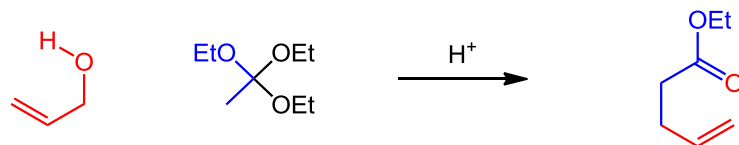
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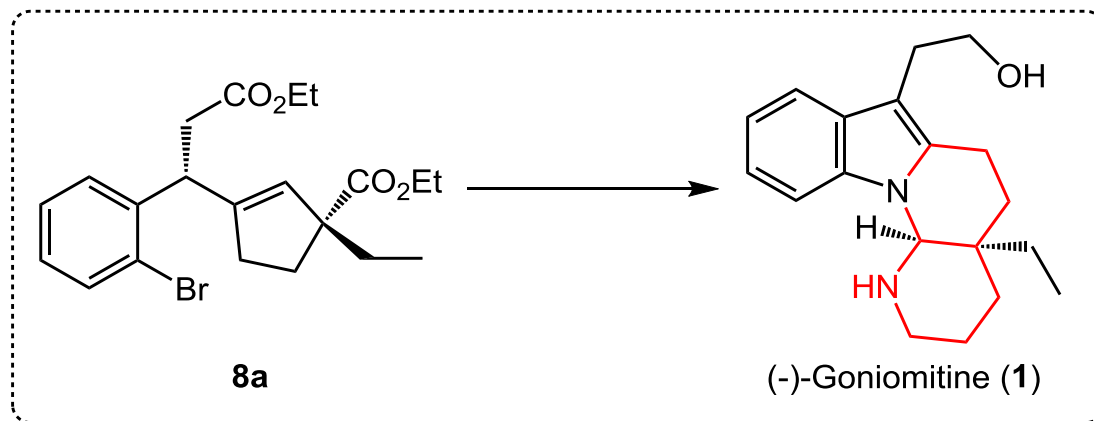
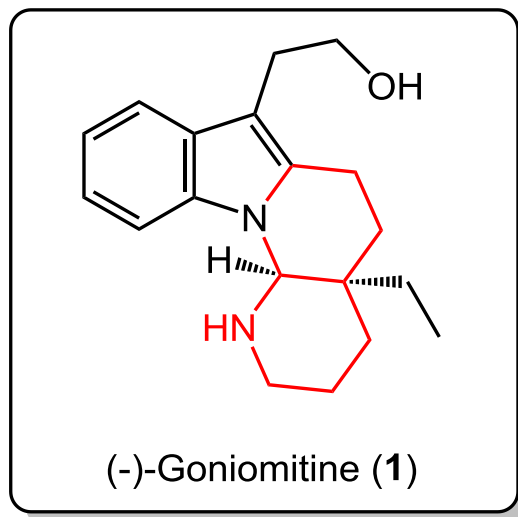
**6a**  
94% ee, cis/trans > 99:1  
(recrystal, 84%, >99.9% ee)



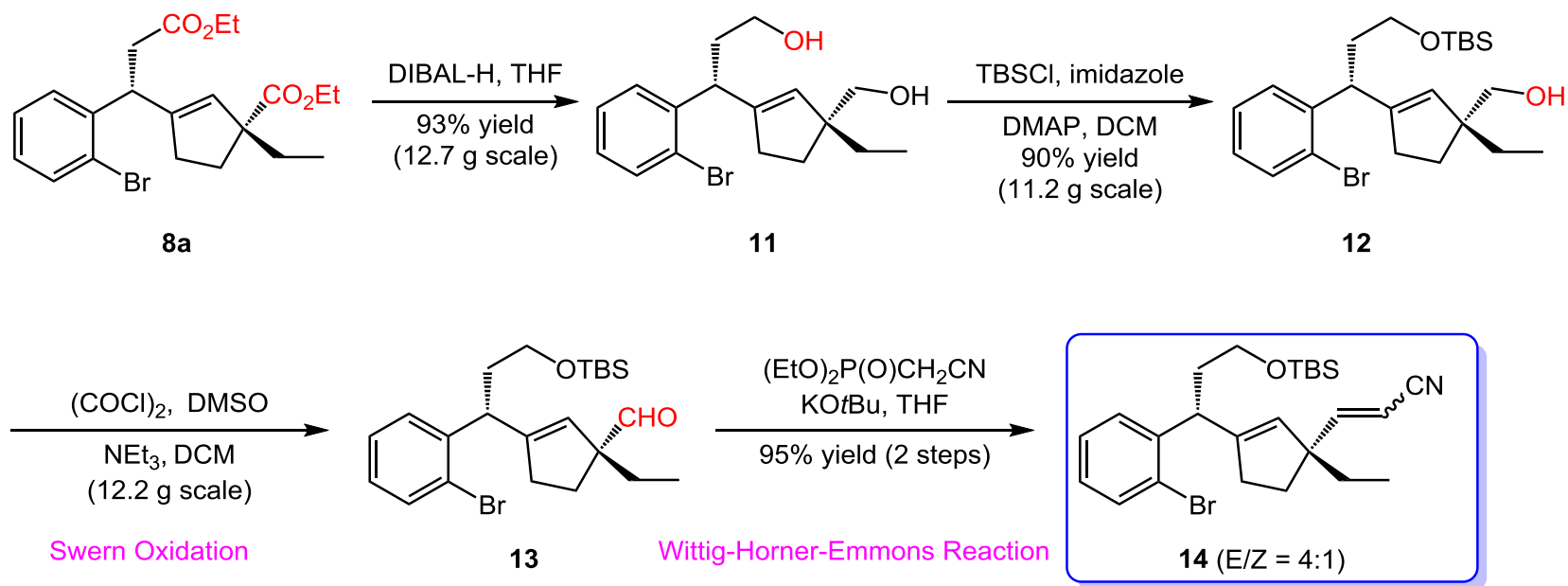
# Johnson-Claisen rearrangement



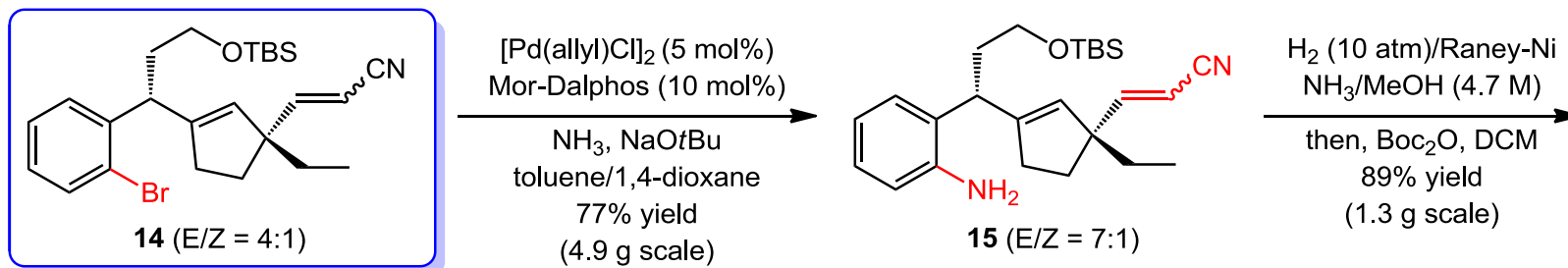
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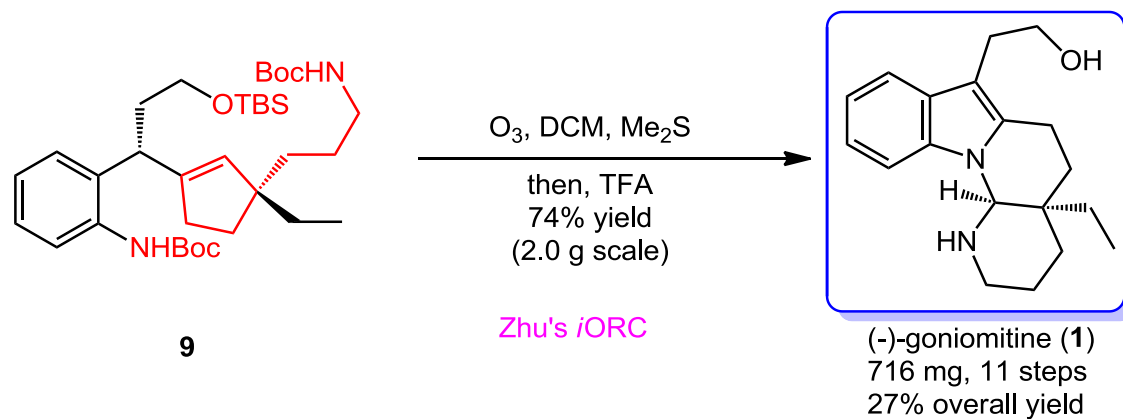
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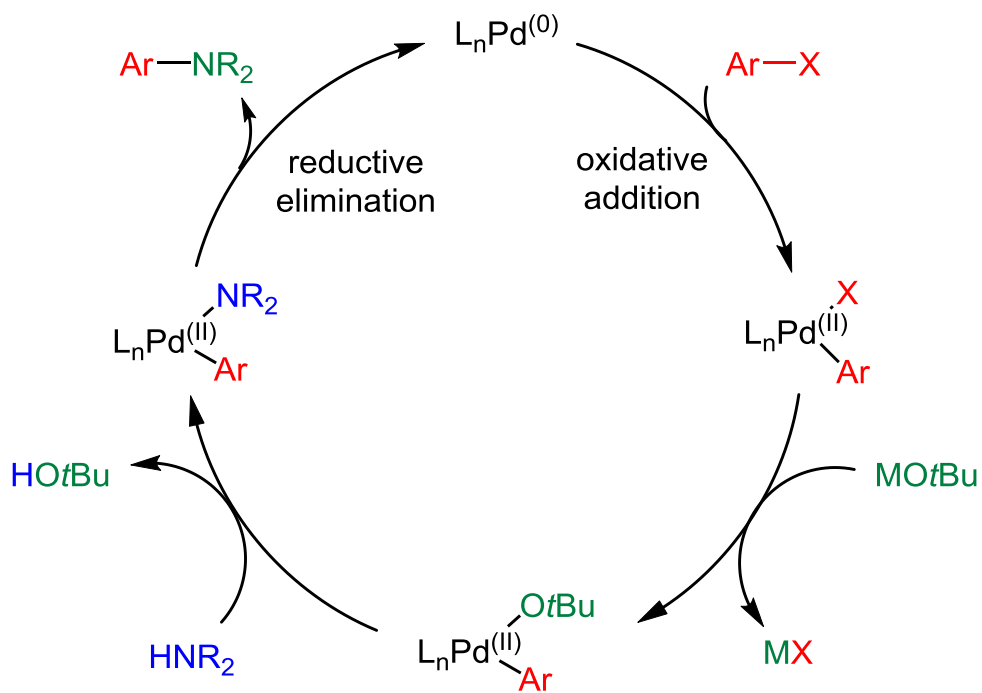
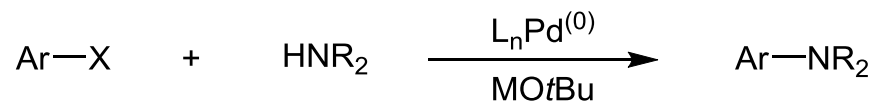


Buchwald-Hartwig Cross Coupling Reaction

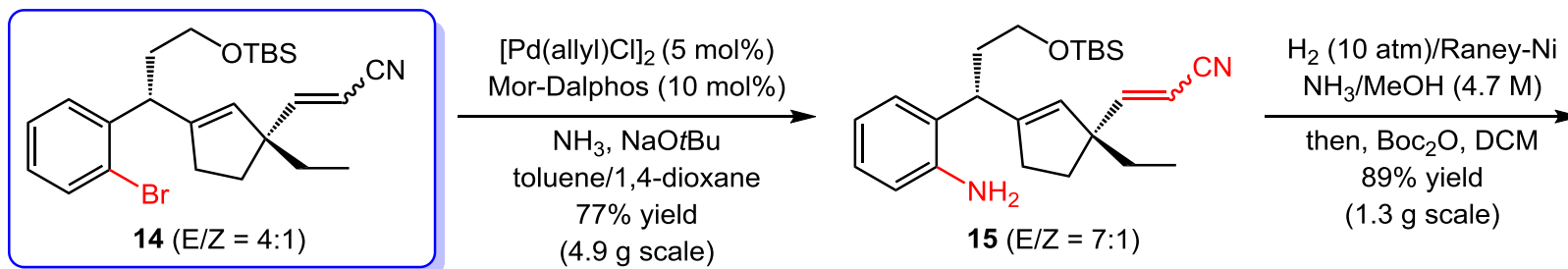


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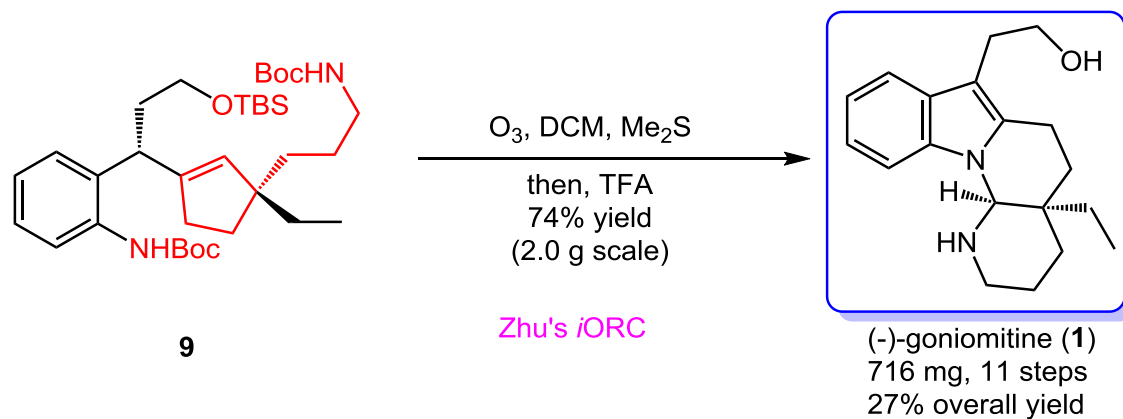
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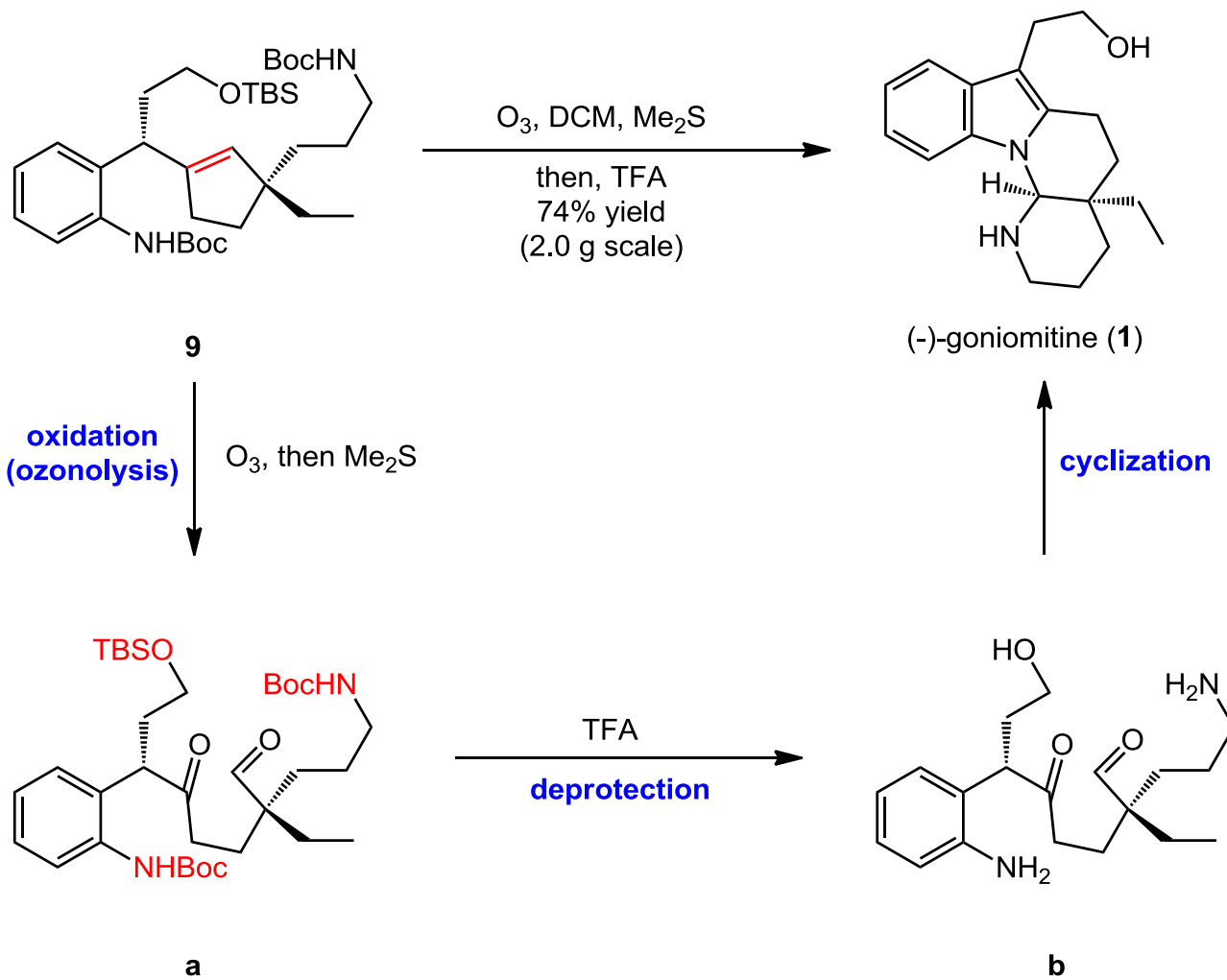
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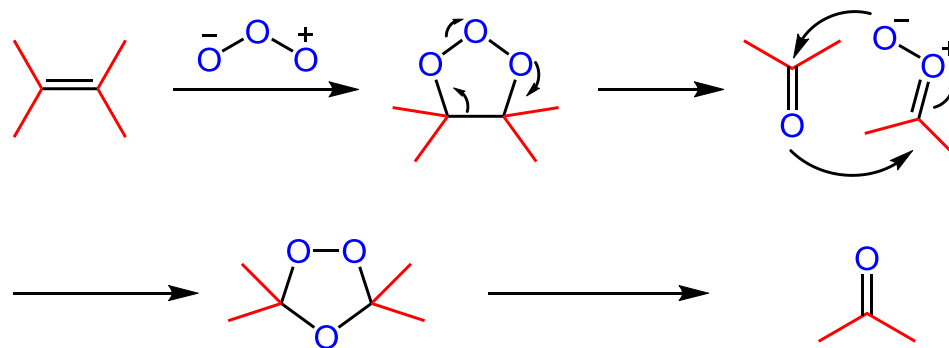
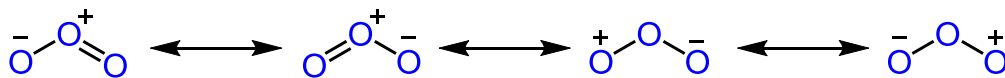
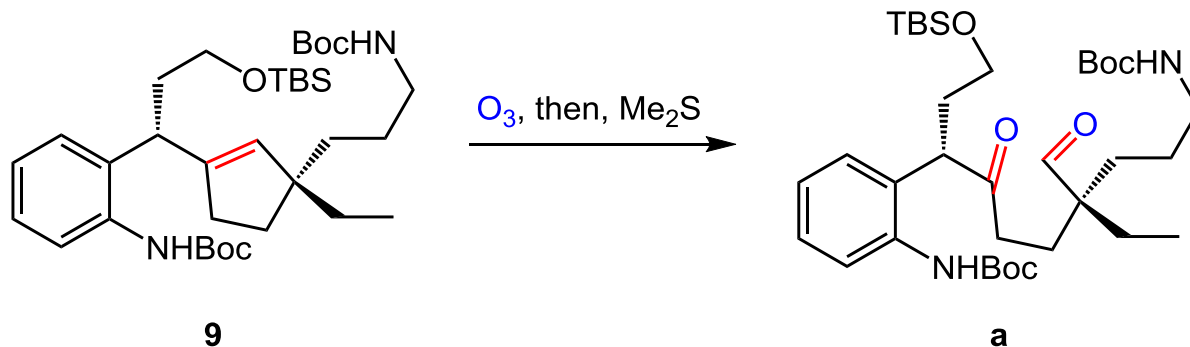
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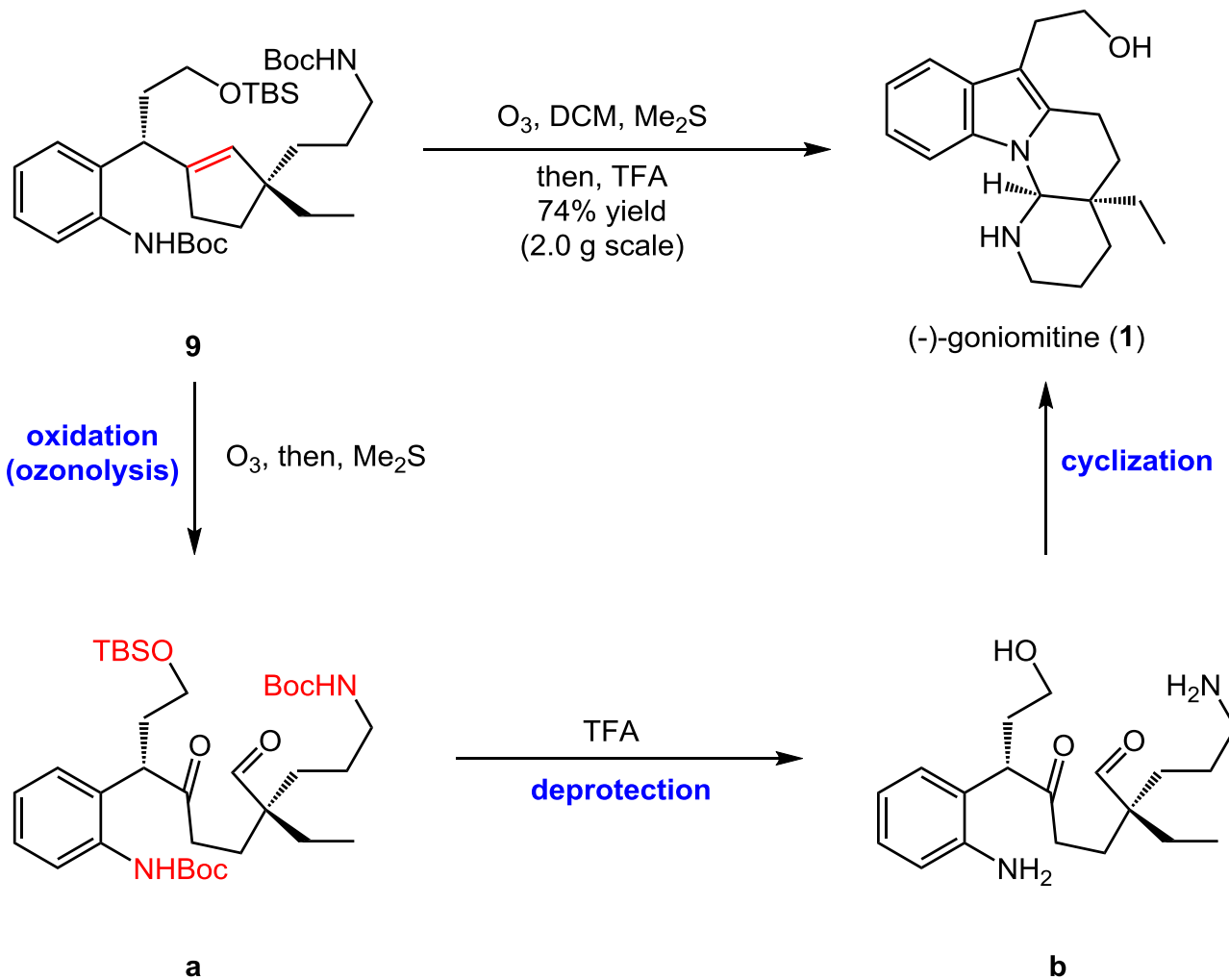
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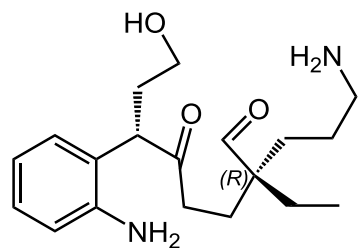
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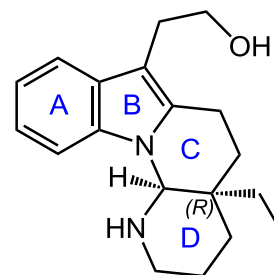


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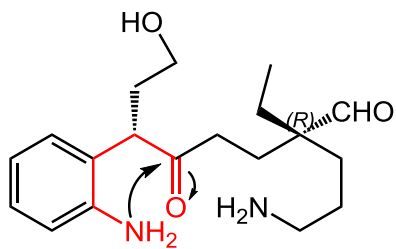


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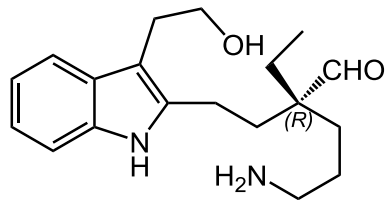
cyclization



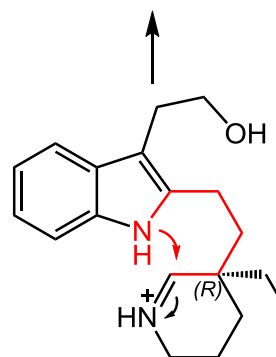
(-)-goniomitine (**1**)



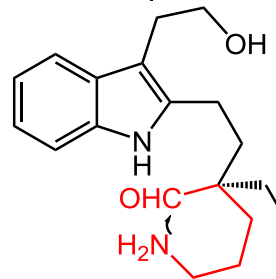
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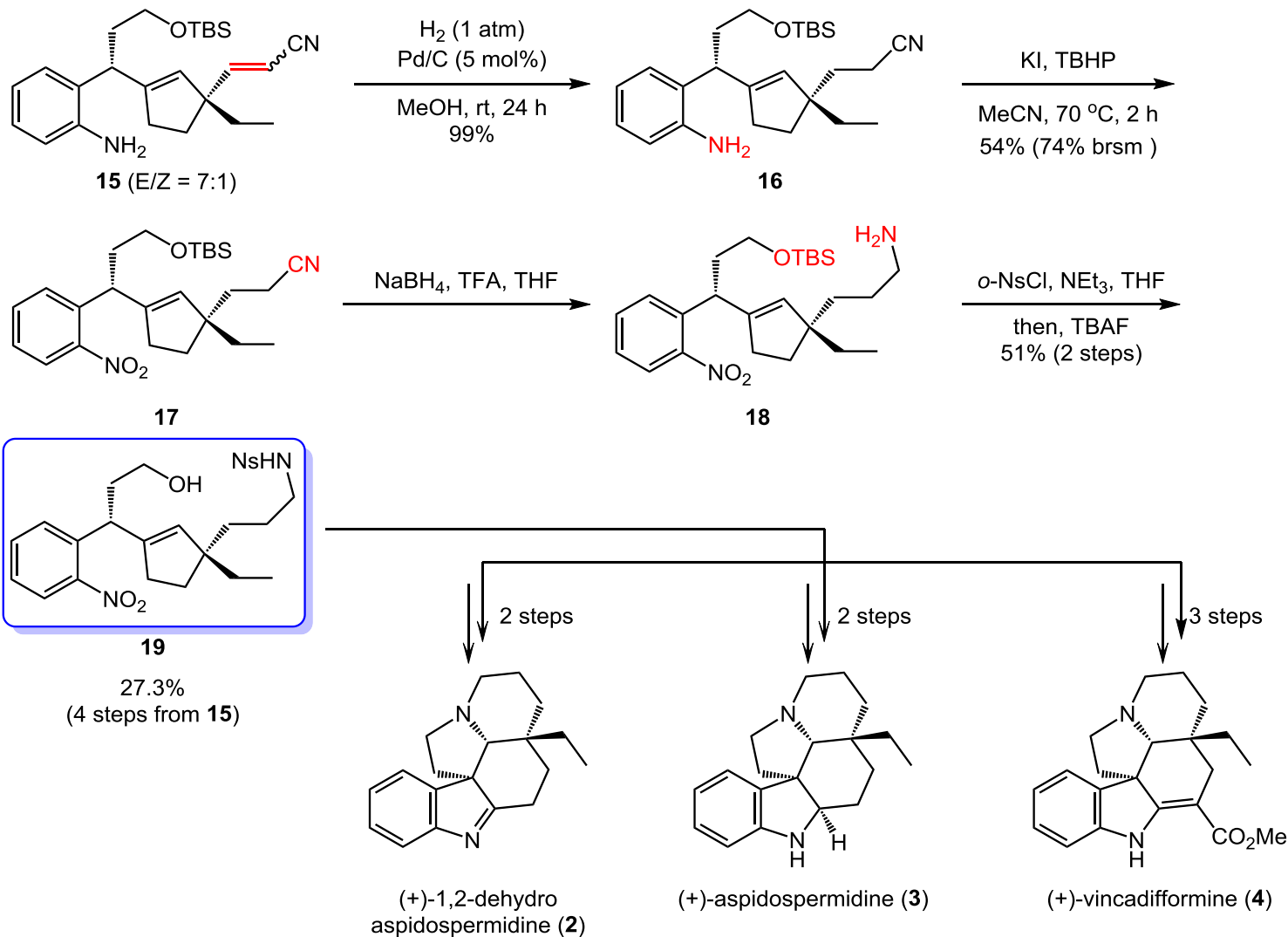
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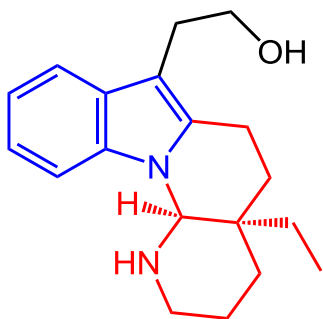
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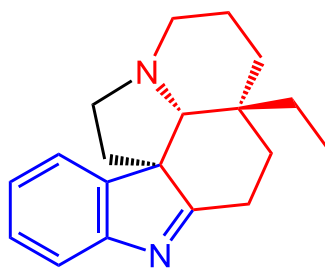
# Formal synthesis of Aspidosperma family



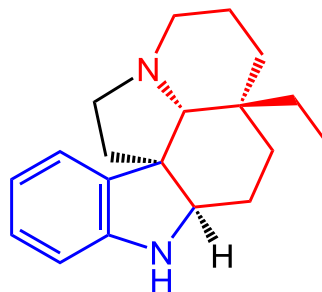
# Summary



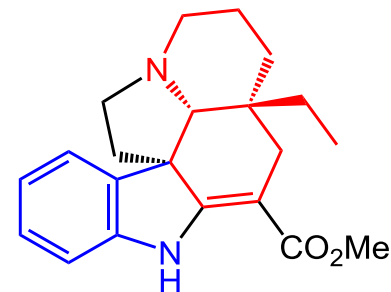
(-)-Goniomitine (1)



(+)-1,2-dehydro  
aspidospermidine (2)



(+)-aspidospermidine (3)



(+)-vincadifformine (4)

- Scalable total synthesis of (-)-goniomitine (1): 11 steps, 27% yield;
- Iridium-catalyzed asymmetric hydrogenation;
- Johnson–Claisen rearrangement;
- Integrated oxidation/deprotection/cyclization process;
- Formal synthesis of (+)-1,2-dehydroaspidospermidine (2), (+)-aspidospermidine (3), and (+)-vincadifformine (4).

# The first paragraph

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Natural products constitute a main source for drug discovery. Because most of the pharmacologically active natural products are optically pure compounds, the development of enantioselective synthetic methods for their synthesis, especially catalytic asymmetric synthetic methods for scalable production, has been a long-term challenge for synthetic chemists and the pharmaceutical industry. Monoterpene indole alkaloids represent an important class of natural products that possess significant biological activities, and they have drawn considerable attention from the field of synthetic chemistry during the past years. However, due to their high structural diversity and complexity, monoterpene indole alkaloids are challenging targets for testing new synthetic strategies.

# The first paragraph

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(-)-Goniomitine (1) is an important member of the Aspidosperma family of indole alkaloids, and was isolated from the root bark of *Gonioma Malagasy* by Husson et al in 1987. The bioassay indicated that this monoterpene indole alkaloid, which has a unique octahydroindolo[1,2-a][1,8]naphthyridine core together with a tryptophol moiety, displays promising antiproliferative activity in several tumor cell lines. Consequently, a number of total syntheses of this molecule, including enantioselective ones, have been reported. However, the scalable enantioselective total synthesis of 1 or its enantiomer remains a difficult issue.



# The last paragraph

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In conclusion, we have developed a scalable enantioselective total synthesis of (-)-goniomitine (1) using an iridium-catalyzed asymmetric hydrogenation of exocyclic enone ester to control the configuration, an alkylation and a Johnson–Claisen rearrangement to construct the substituted cyclopentene and the side chain of tryptophol moiety, and an integrated oxidation/deprotection/cyclization process to synthesize the tetracyclic ring. This concise and efficient asymmetric synthetic strategy was also successfully applied to the formal synthesis of (+)-1,2-dehydroaspidospermidine (2), (+)-aspidospermidine (3), and (+)-vincadifformine (4).

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***Thanks  
for your attention***