

Synthesis of Enaminones by Rhodium Catalyzed Denitrogenative Rearrangement of 1-(*N*-Sulfonyl-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)alkanols

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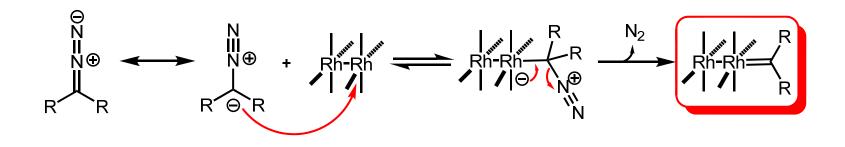
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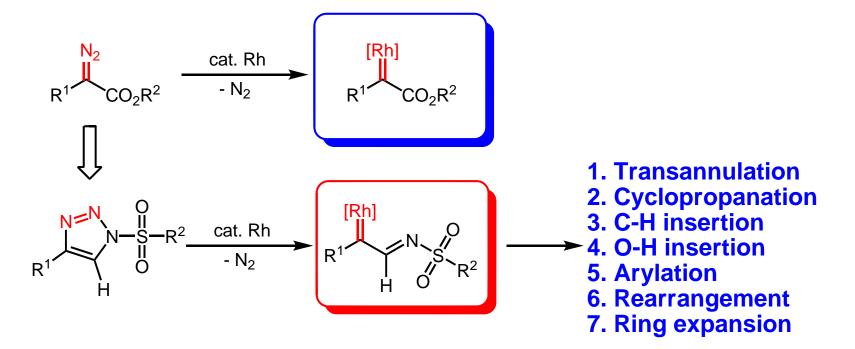
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Carbenoid Formation from Diazo Compounds

Lewis acidic transition metal complexes, like Rh(II) complexes, are effective catalysts for diazo decomposition. Activity of transition metal complexes depends on coordinative unsaturation at metal center, which allows them to react as "electrophiles" for diazo compound:



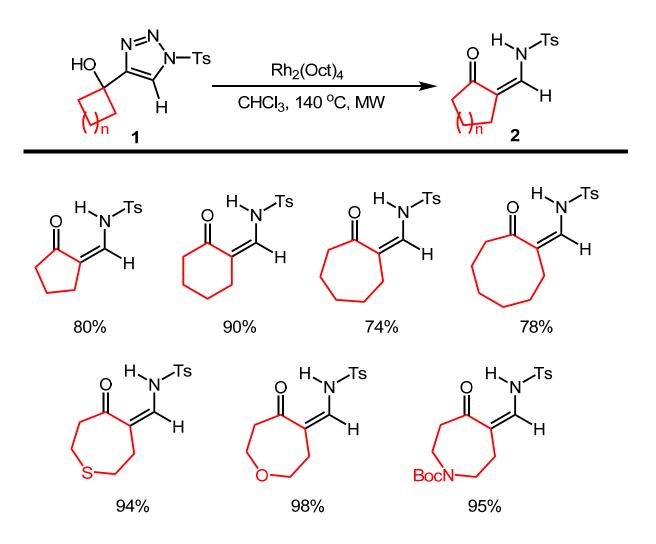
Utility of Rhodium(II) Azavinyl Carbenes

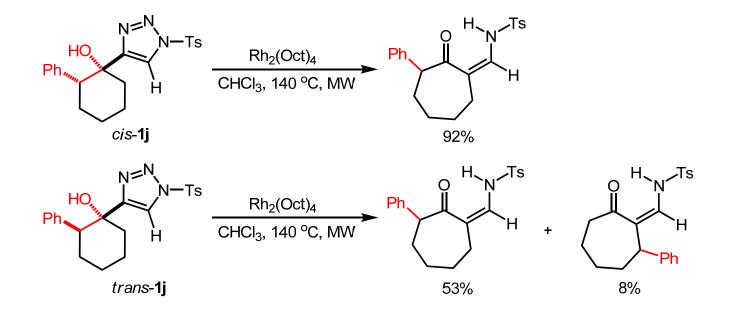


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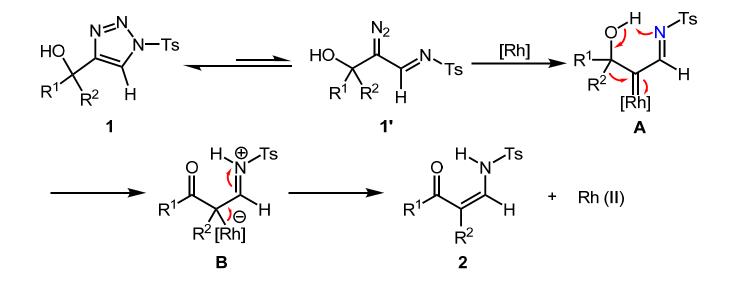
| HO R ¹ R ² 1 | N-IS RI | n ₂ (Oct) ₄ 140 ºC, MW ► R ¹ | 0 H N Ts H + R ² 2 | R^2 H N Ts H R^1 Z' |
|---|----------------|--|--|-----------------------------------|
| entry | R ¹ | R ² | 2 (yield %) | 2' (yield %) |
| 1 | Me | Н | 94 | 0 |
| 2 | <i>n</i> -Pr | н | 91 | 0 |
| 3 | <i>i</i> -Pr | Н | 87 | 0 |
| 4 | Ph | н | 58 | 25 |
| 5 | Me | Ph | 86 | 5 |
| 6 | <i>i</i> -Pr | Ме | 47 | 19 |
| 7 | Me | Ме | 90 | - |

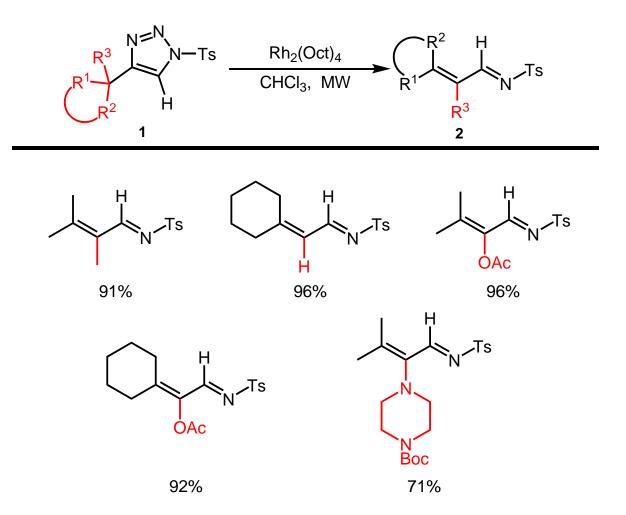
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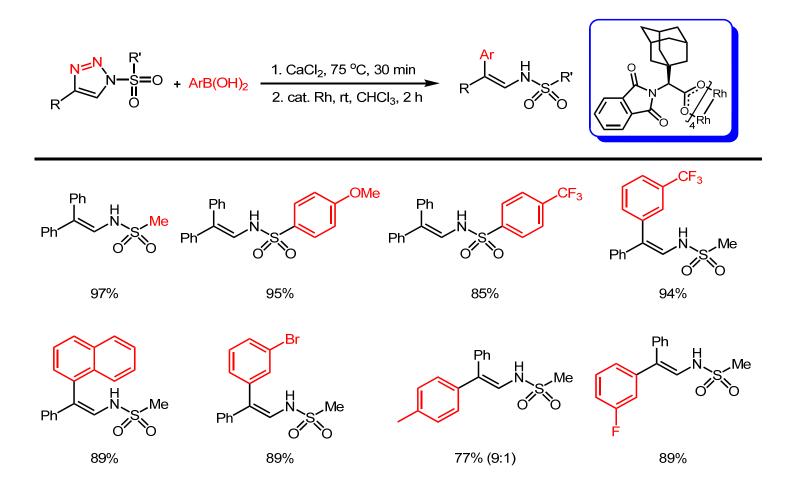
Plausible Mechanism





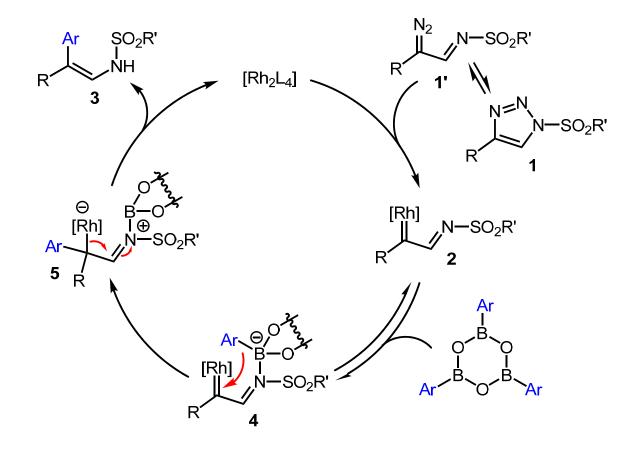
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Arylation

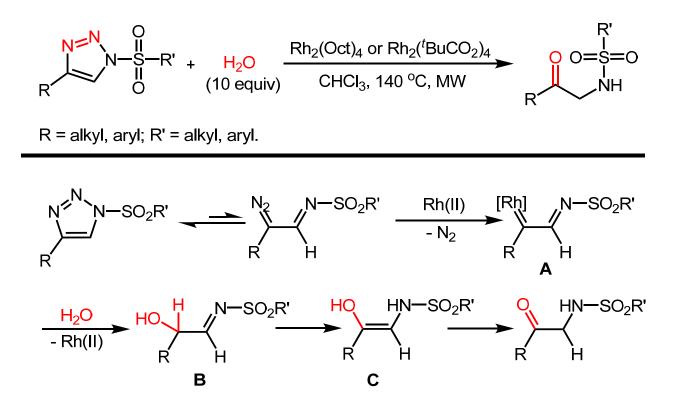


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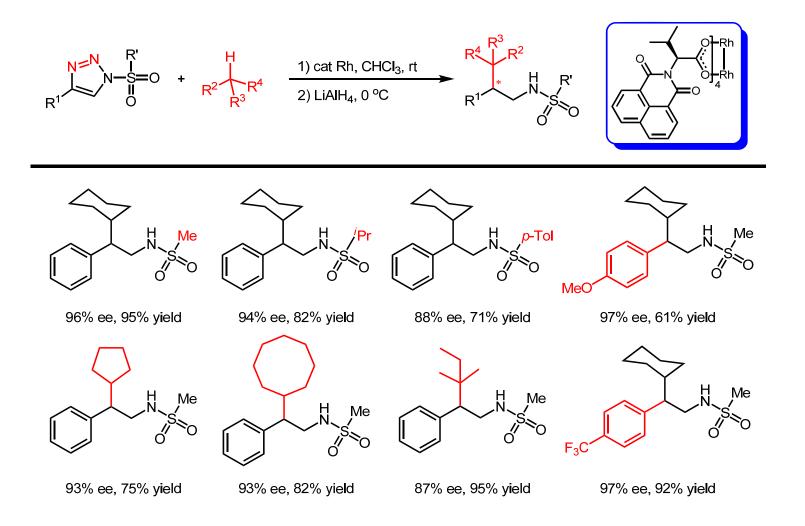


O-H Insertion



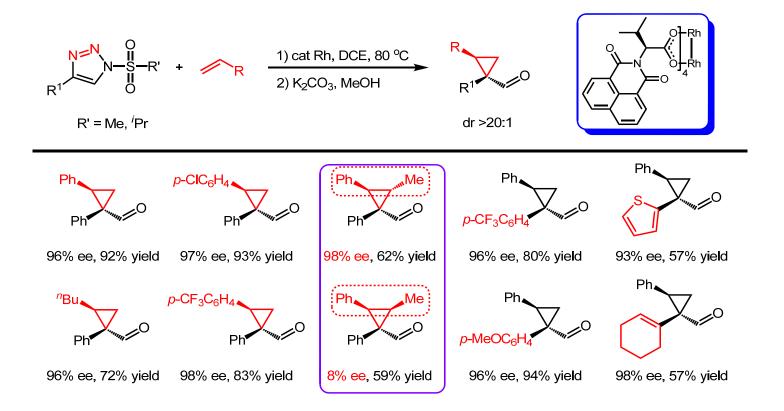
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Asymmetric C-H Insertion



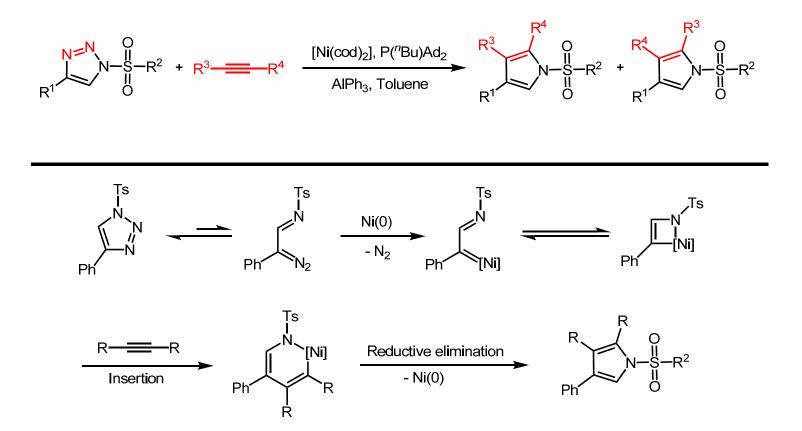
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Asymmetric Cyclopropanation



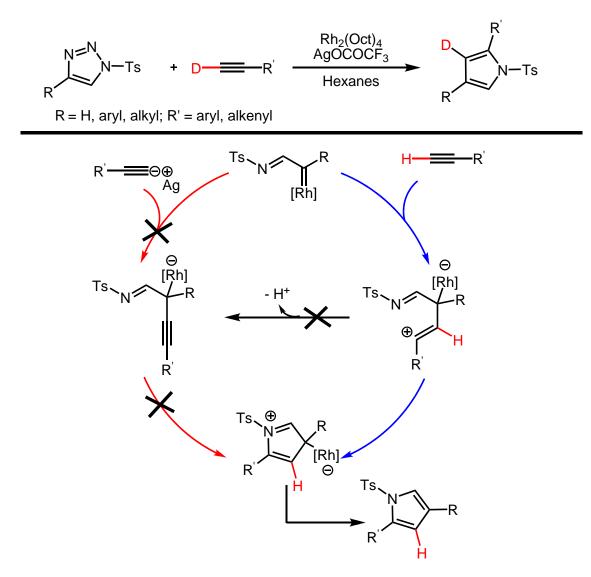
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Transannulation



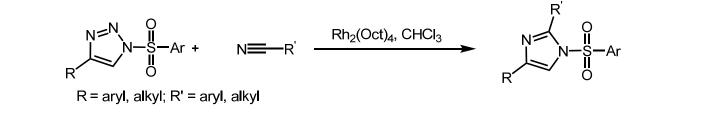
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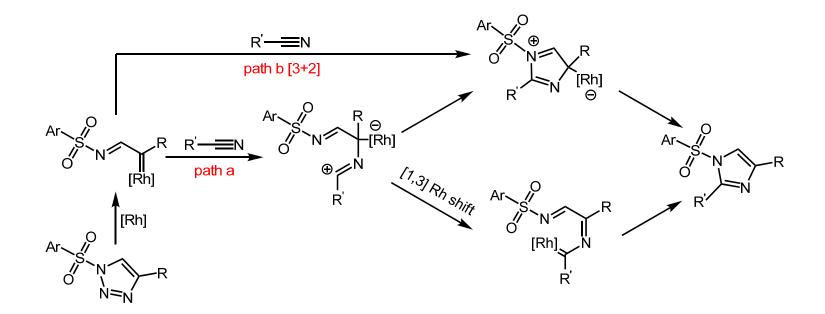
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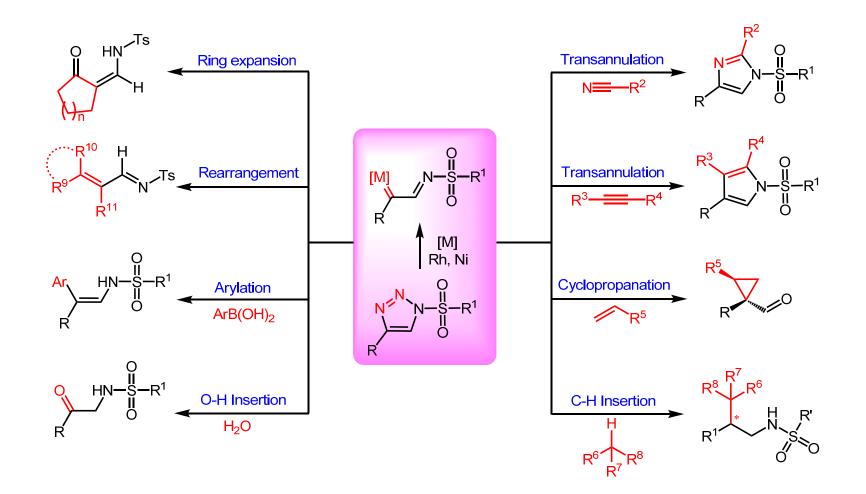
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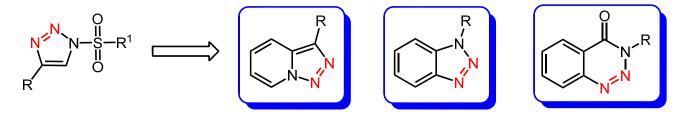
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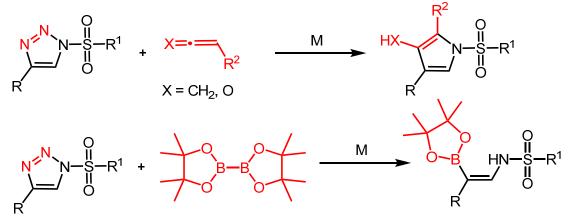
Substrates:



Catalyst:

Ru, Pd, Cu, Ni et al.

Reaction:



Enaminones are important synthetic intermediates for a wide variety of heterocycles contained in natural products and pharmaceutical compounds, and the development of new methods for their synthesis is highly desired. We report herein a rhodium(II)-catalyzed denitrogenative rearrangement reaction of 1-(*N*-sulfonyl-1,2,3-triazol-4-yl)alkanols, leading to the formation of enaminones. The starting 1-triazolylalkohols are readily prepared from propargylic alcohols and *N*-sulfonyl azides. Figure 1 depicts how the segments of a propargylic alcohol and *N*-sulfonyl azide construct the product structure through the whole process.

In summary, we have developed a significantly step-economical method for the synthesis of enaminones starting from propargylic alcohols and *N*-sulfonyl azides, where molecular nitrogen is the only waste product.

