

Literature Report VII

Construction of Axially Chiral Dialdehydes *via* Rhodium-Catalyzed Enantioselective C–H Amidation

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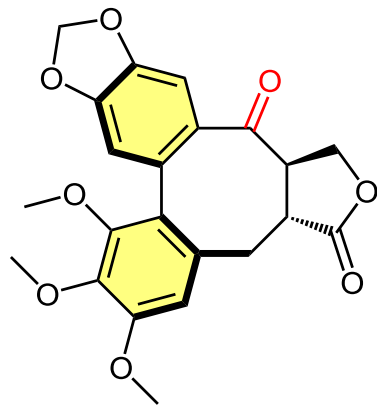
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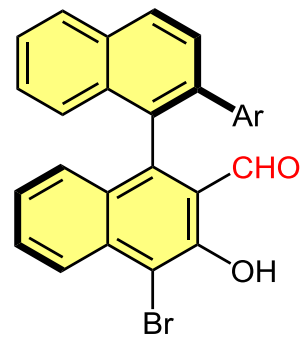
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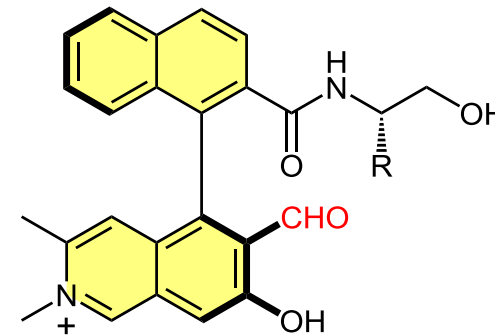
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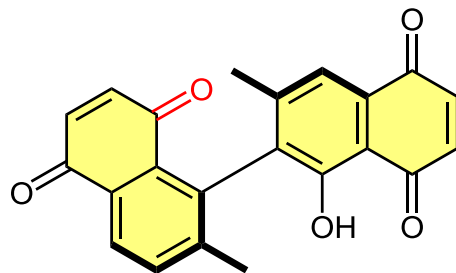
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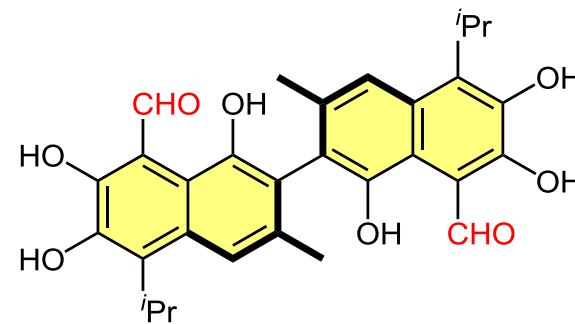
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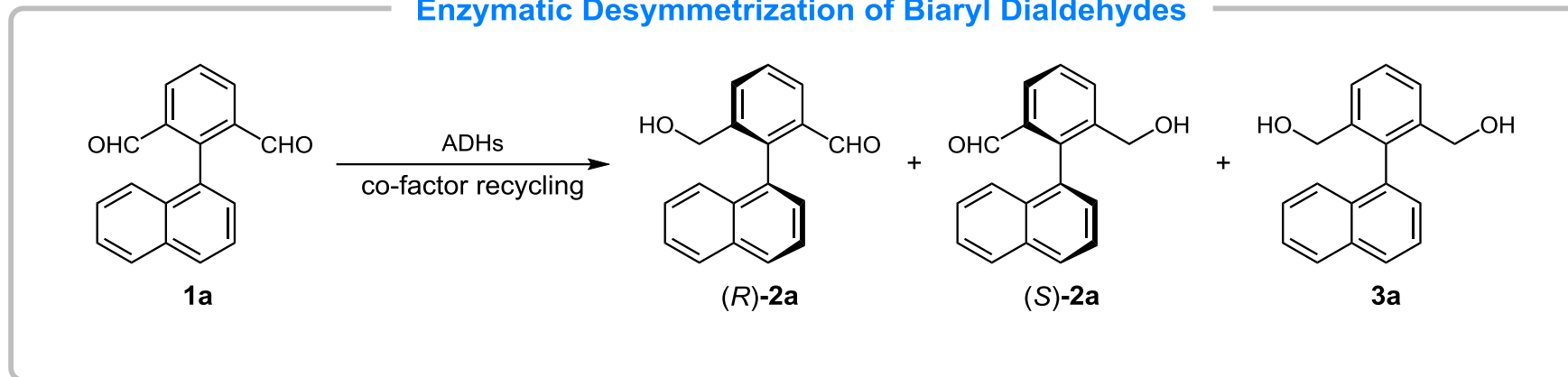
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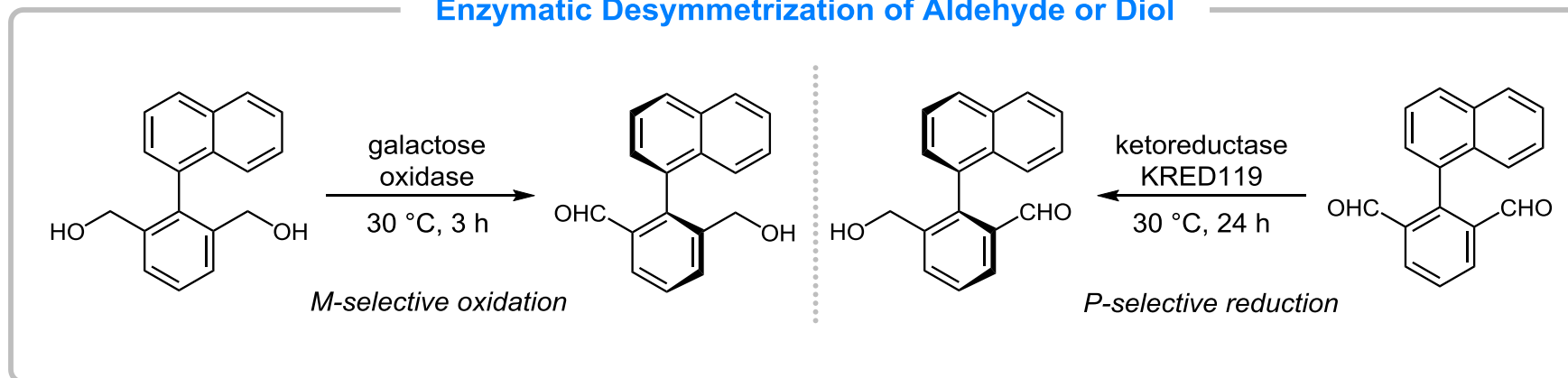
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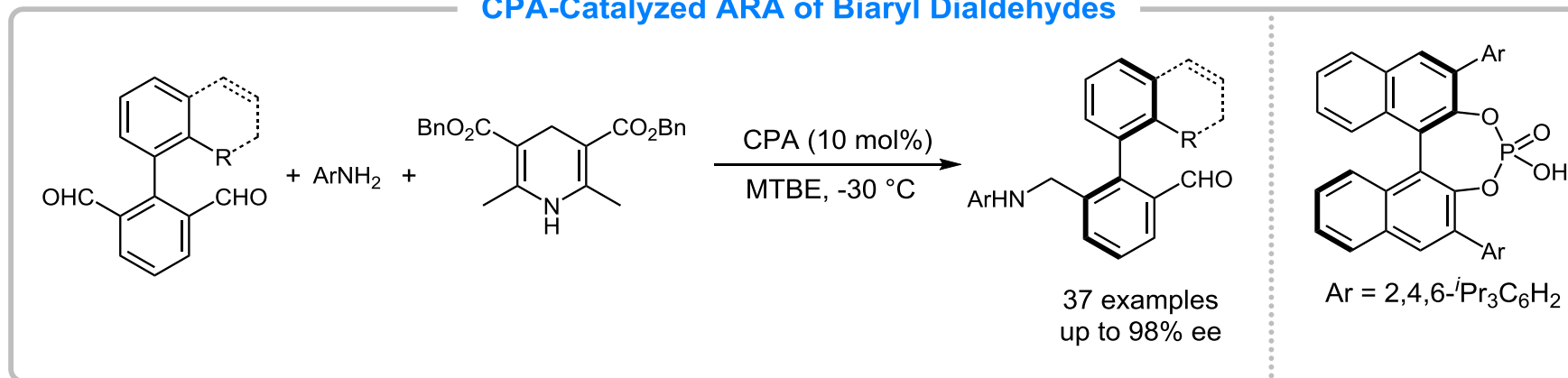
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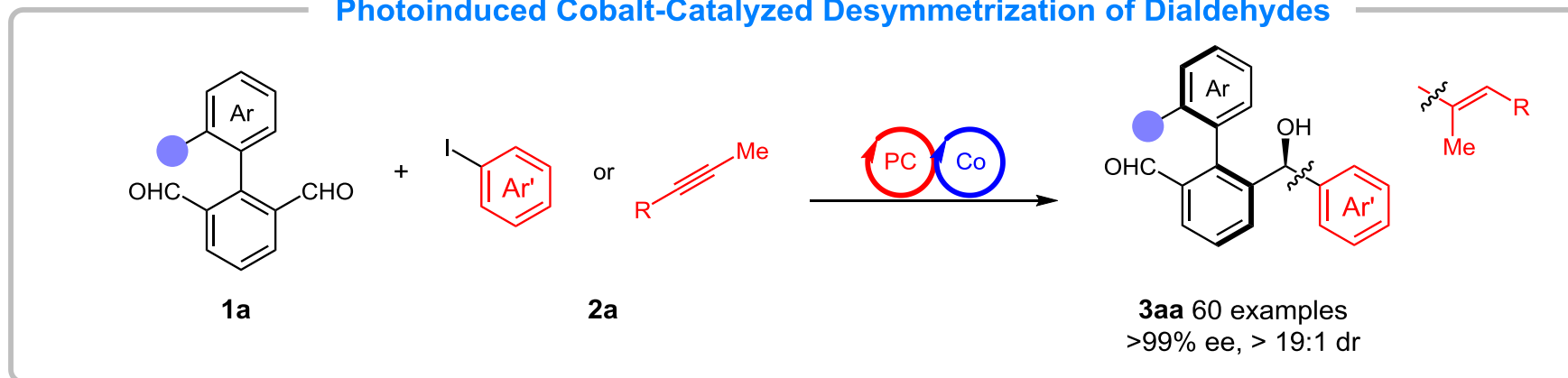
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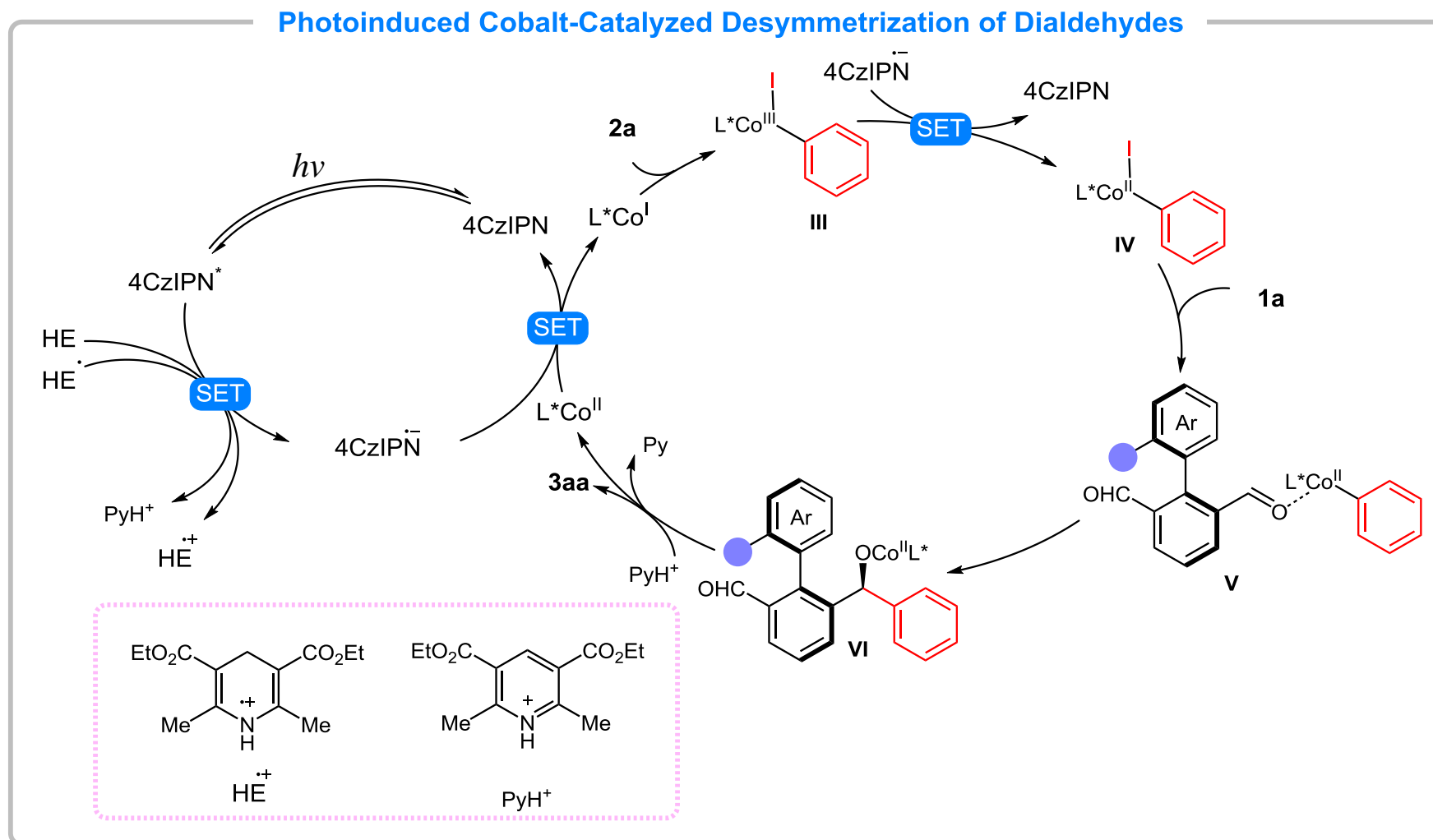
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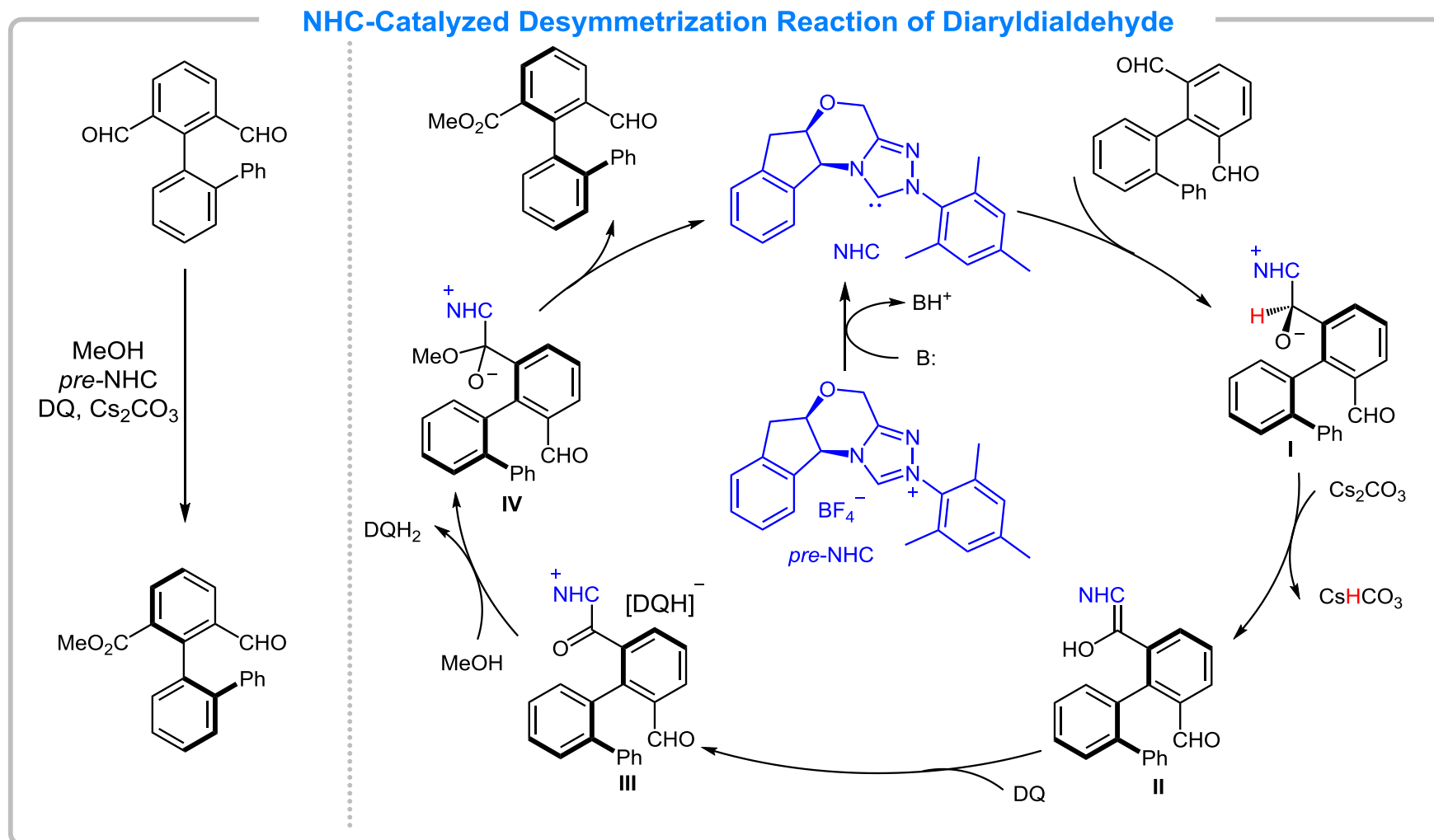
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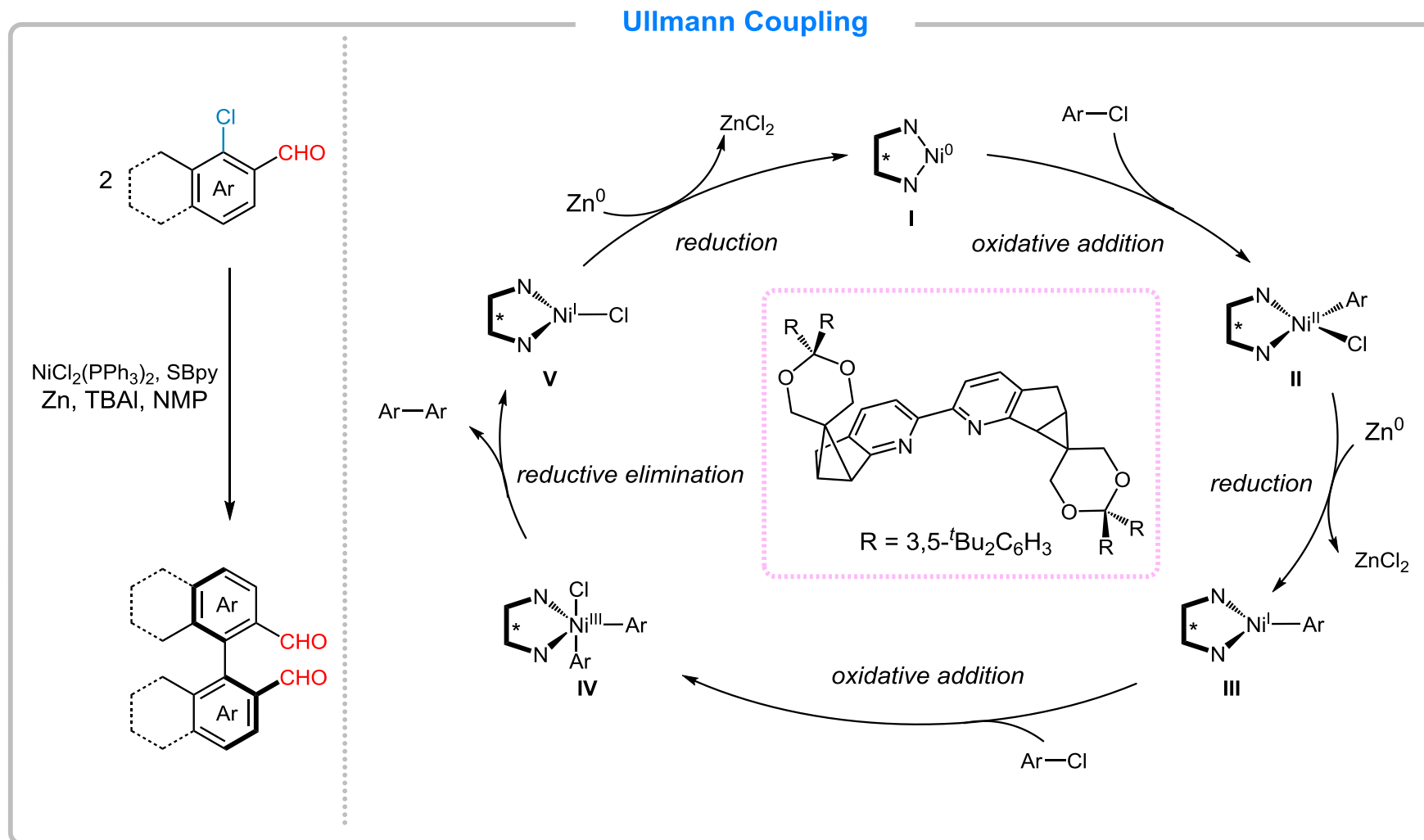
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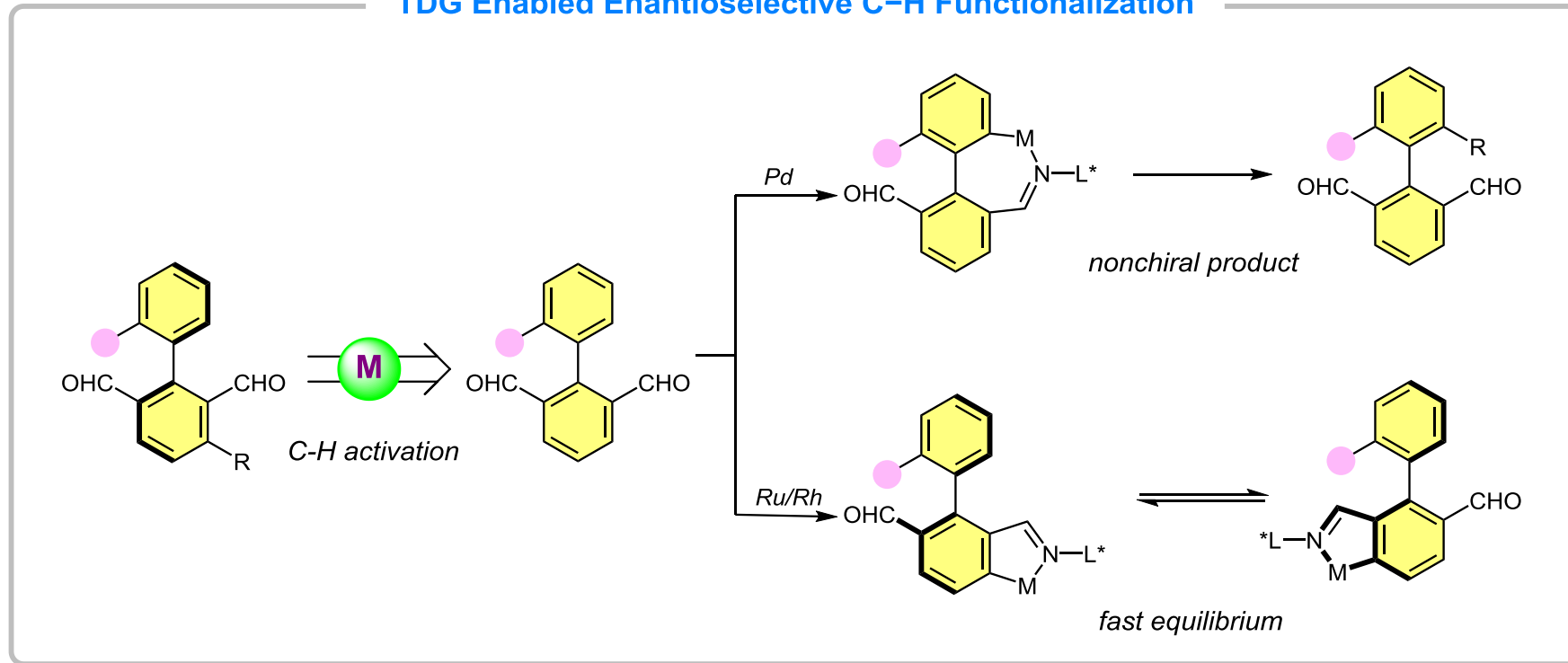
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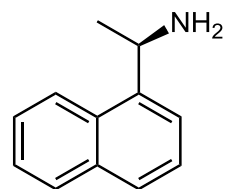
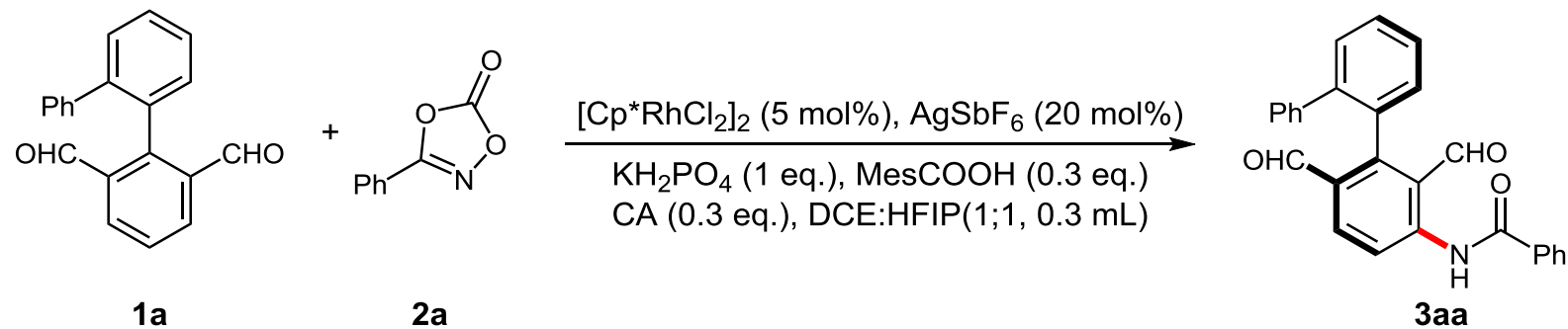
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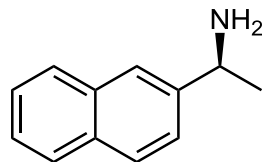
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Optimization of Reaction Conditions



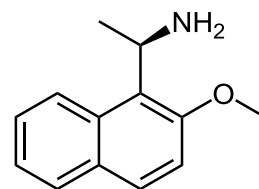
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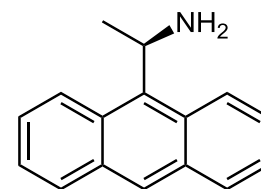
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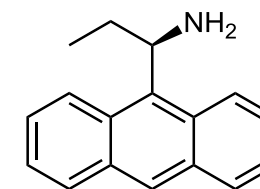
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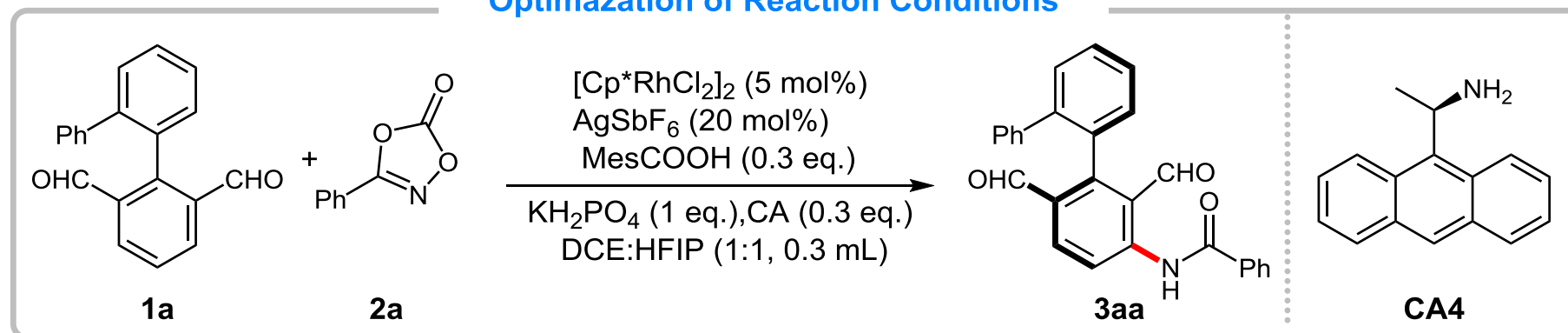


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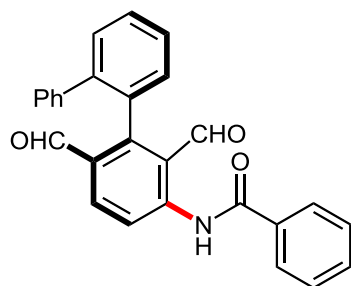
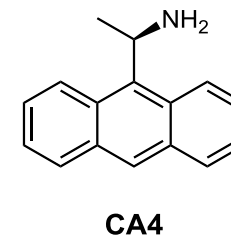
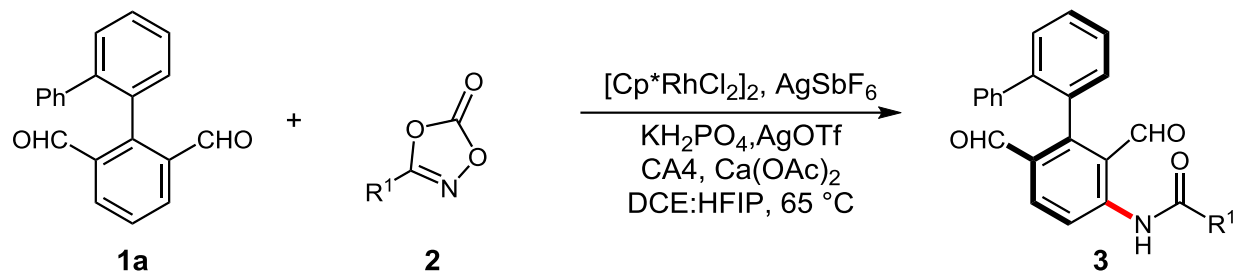
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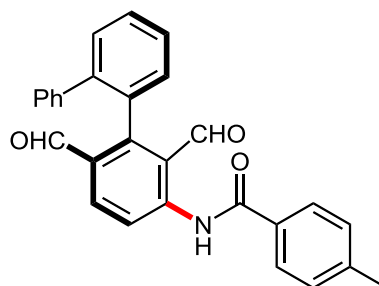
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3	MesCOOH	PhCl:HFIP	6	70:30
4	MesCOOH	DCE:HFIP	44	94:6
5	1-AdCOOH	DCE:HFIP	68	79:21
6	AcOH	DCE:HFIP	70	89:11
7	KOAc	DCE:HFIP	31	82:18
8	CsOAc	DCE:HFIP	15	72:28
9	$\text{Mg}(\text{OAc})_2$	DCE:HFIP	66	94:6
10	$\text{Ca}(\text{OAc})_2$	DCE:HFIP	78	98.5:1.5

Substrate Scope

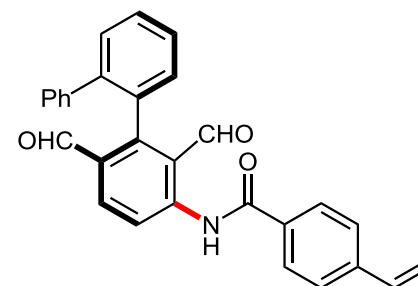
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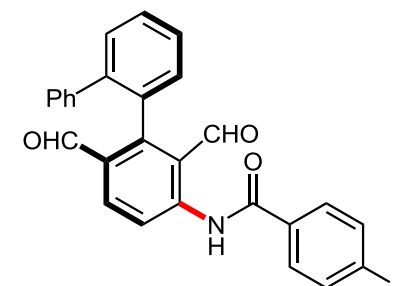
3aa, 76%; 98.5:1.5 er



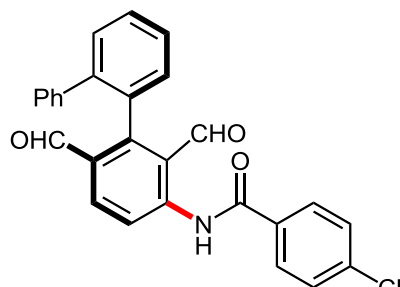
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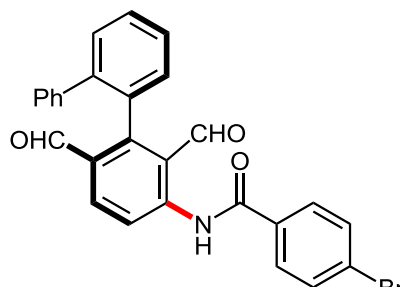
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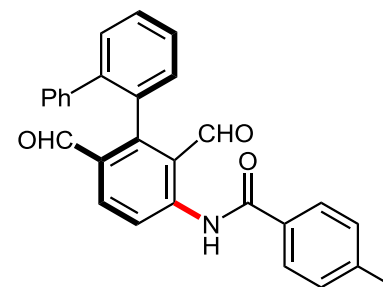
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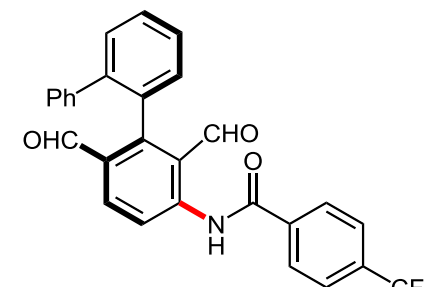
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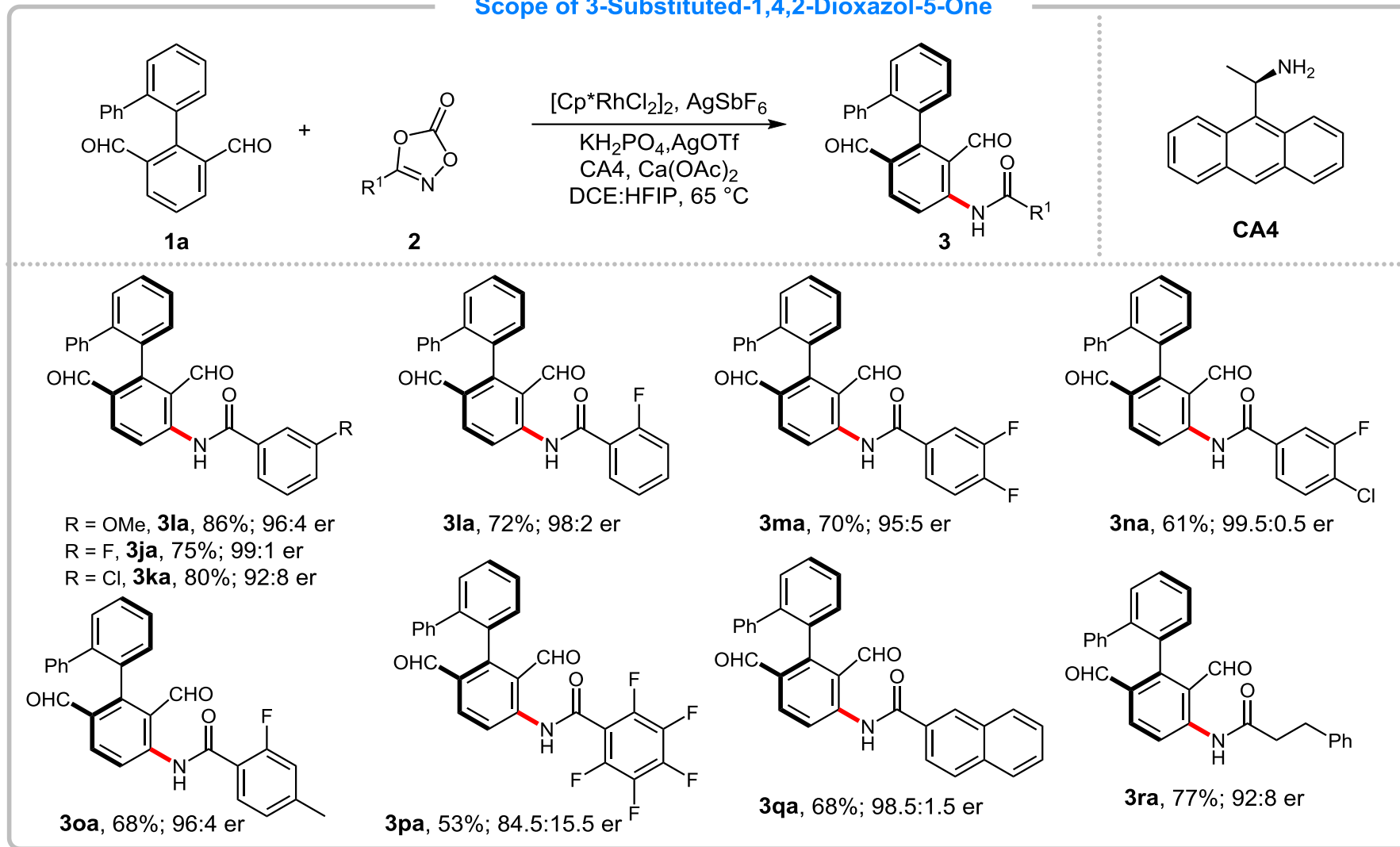
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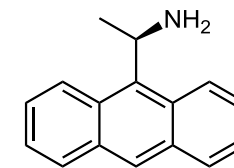
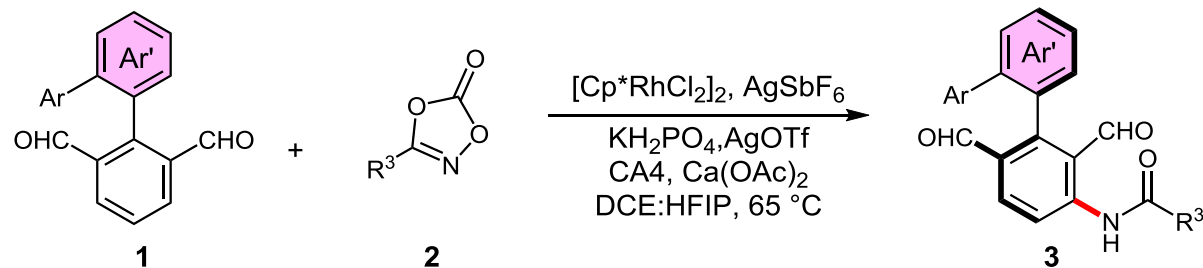
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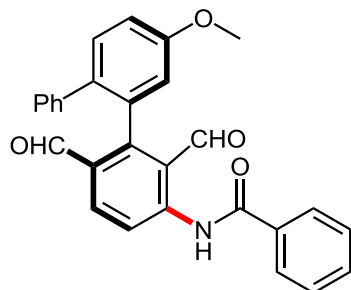


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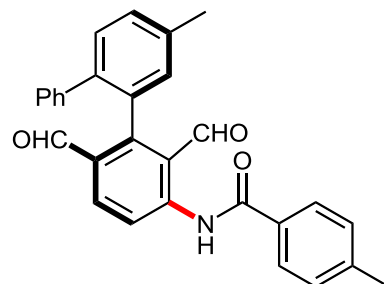
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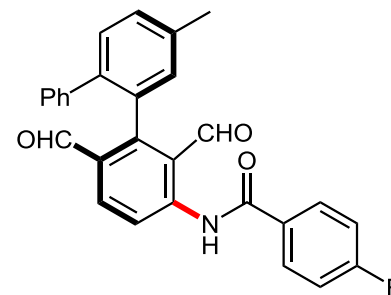
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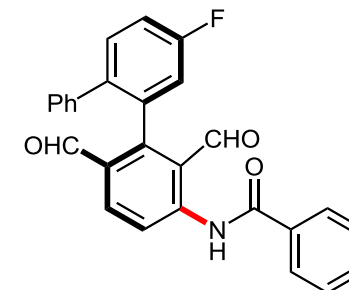
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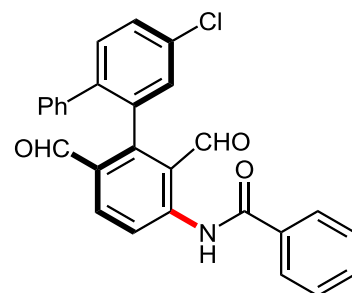
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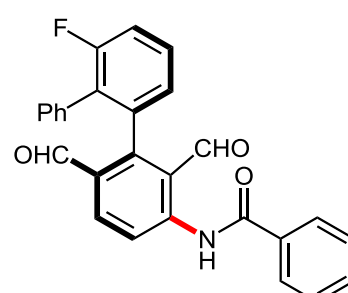
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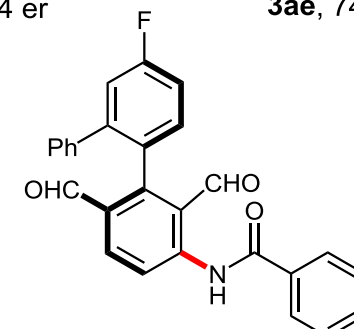
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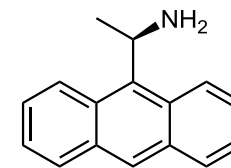
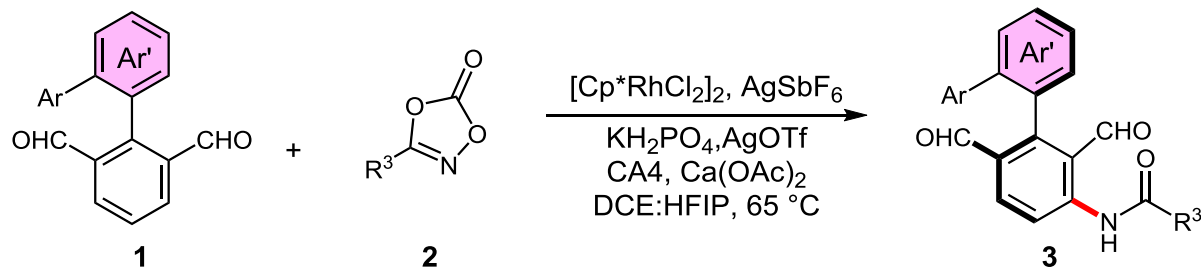
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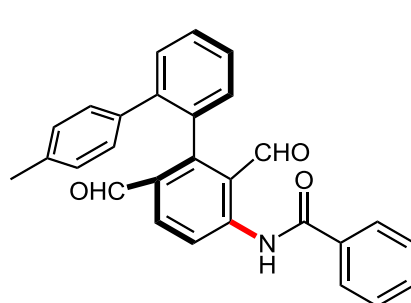
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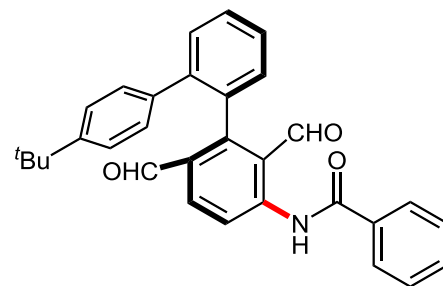
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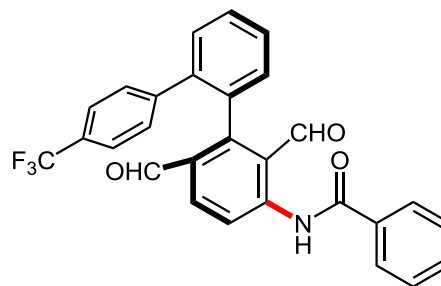
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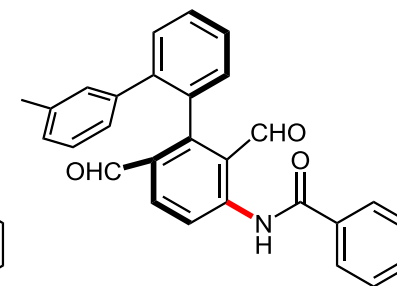
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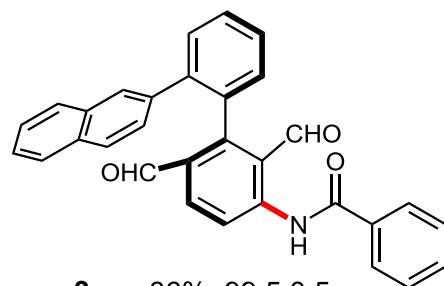
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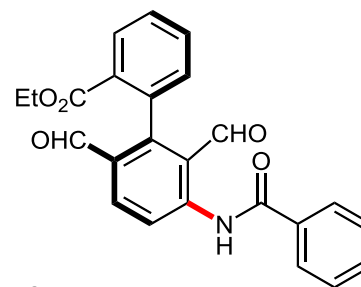
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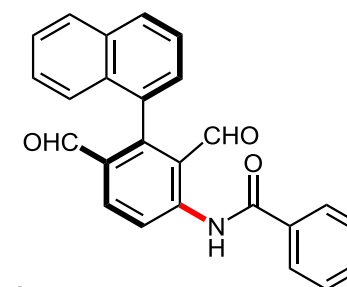
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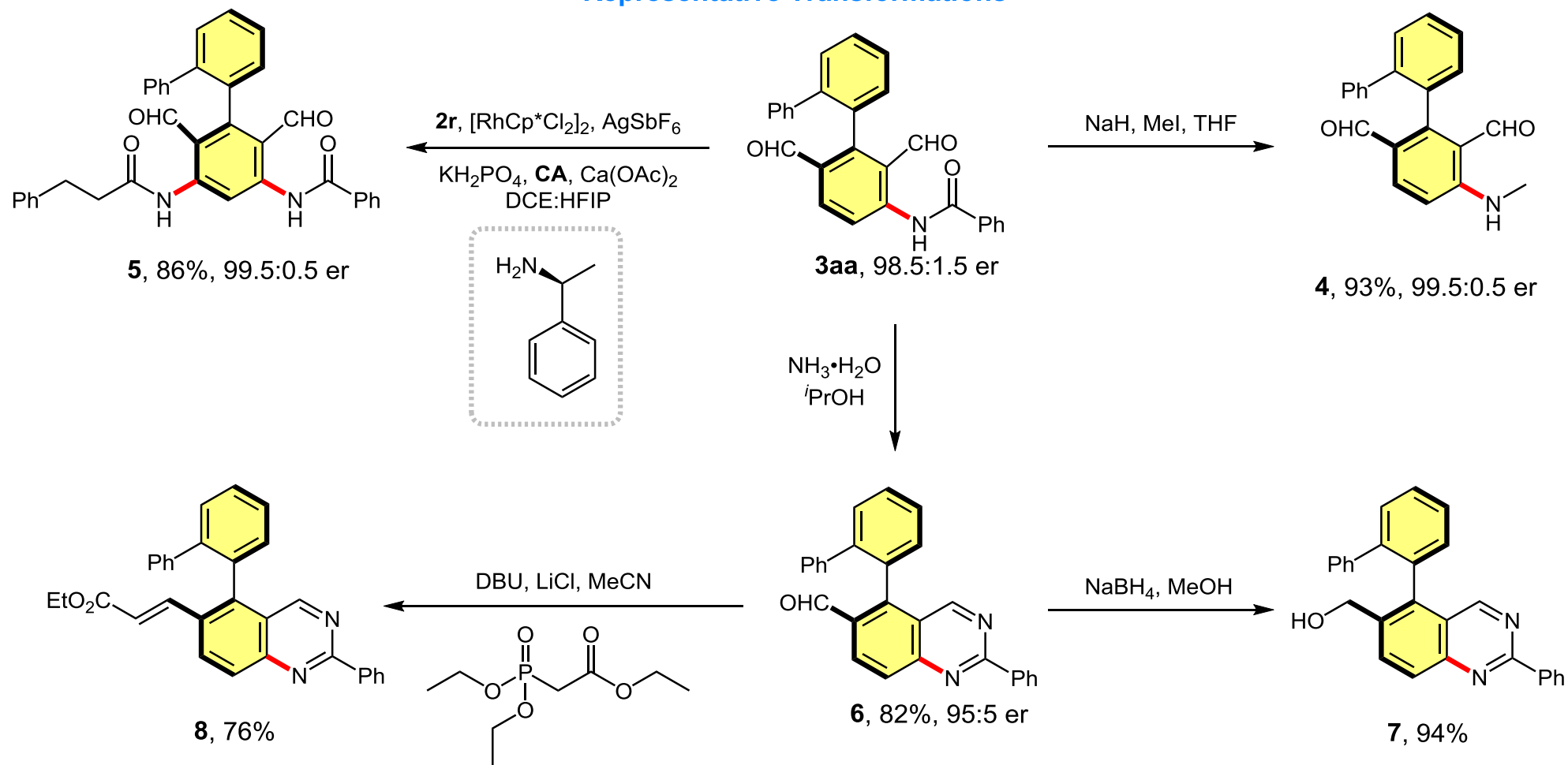
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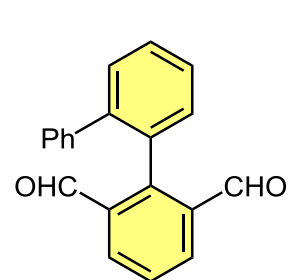
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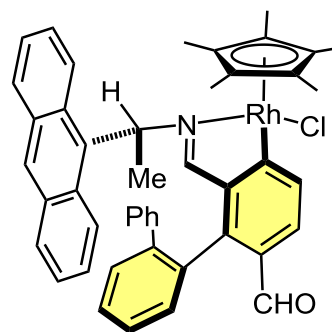
Synthesis and Single Crystal Structure of Int-2



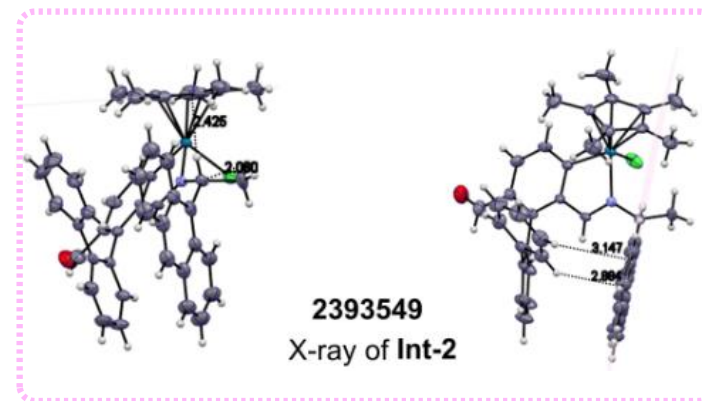
1a

+ CA4

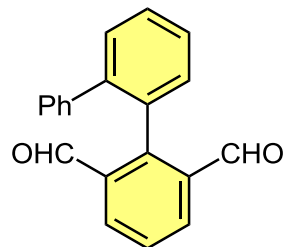
1) MgSO₄ (2 equiv.), DCM
then filtered through celite
2) [Cp*RhCl₂]₂ (0.5 equiv)
NaOAc, MeOH, 40 °C



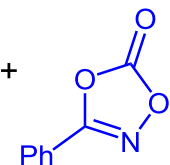
Int-2 71%, >20:1 dr



Catalytic and Stoichiometric Activity Evaluation of Int-2



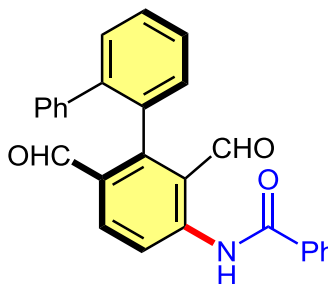
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2a

Int-2 (10 mol%)
Standard conditions

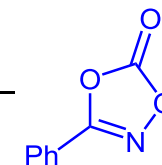
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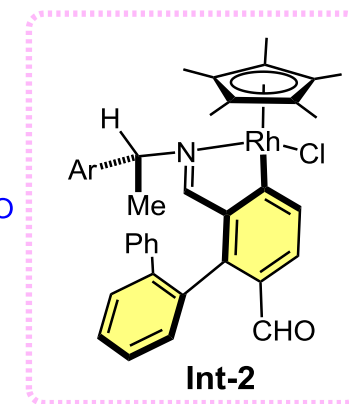
3aa

Int-2 (1 equiv.)
AgSbF₆, DCE

77%, 97:3 er



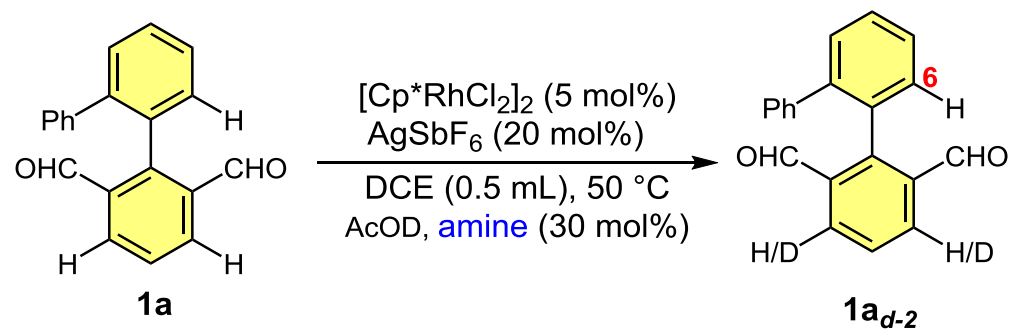
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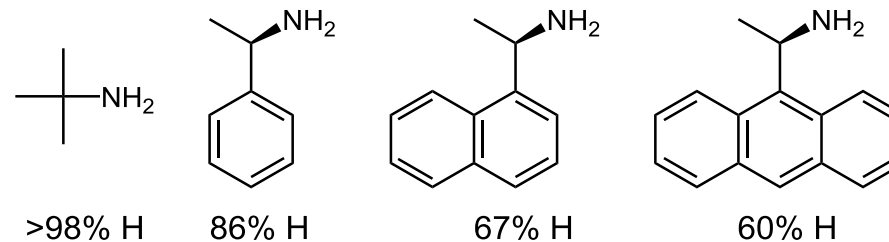
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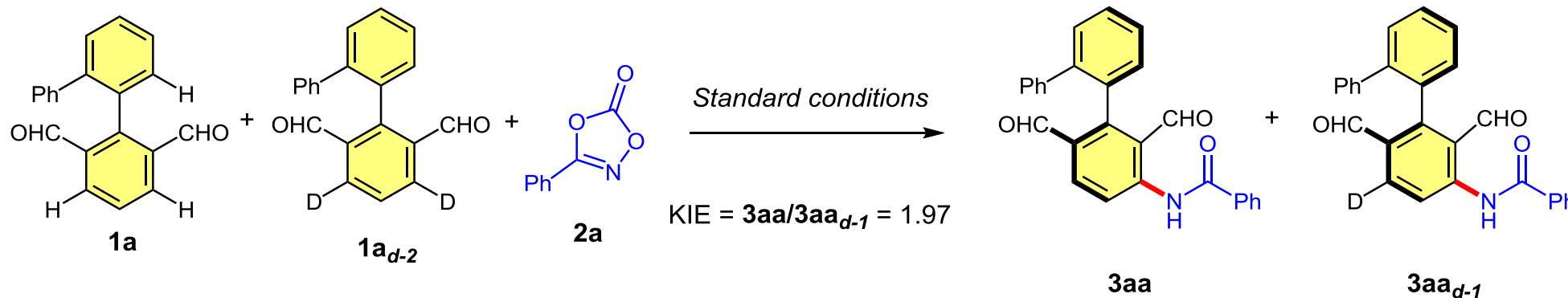
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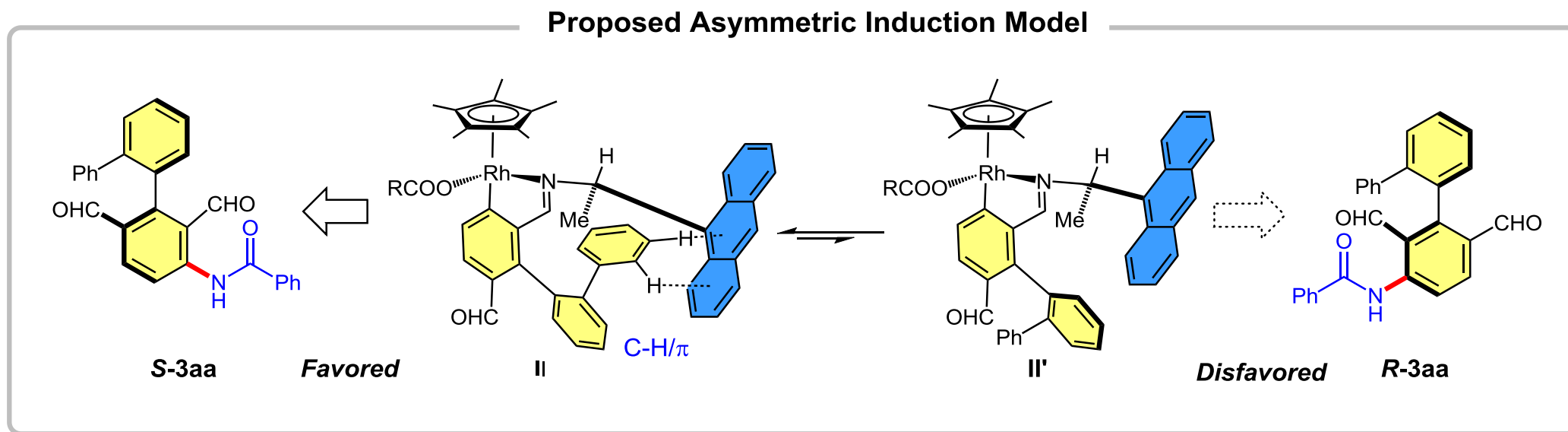
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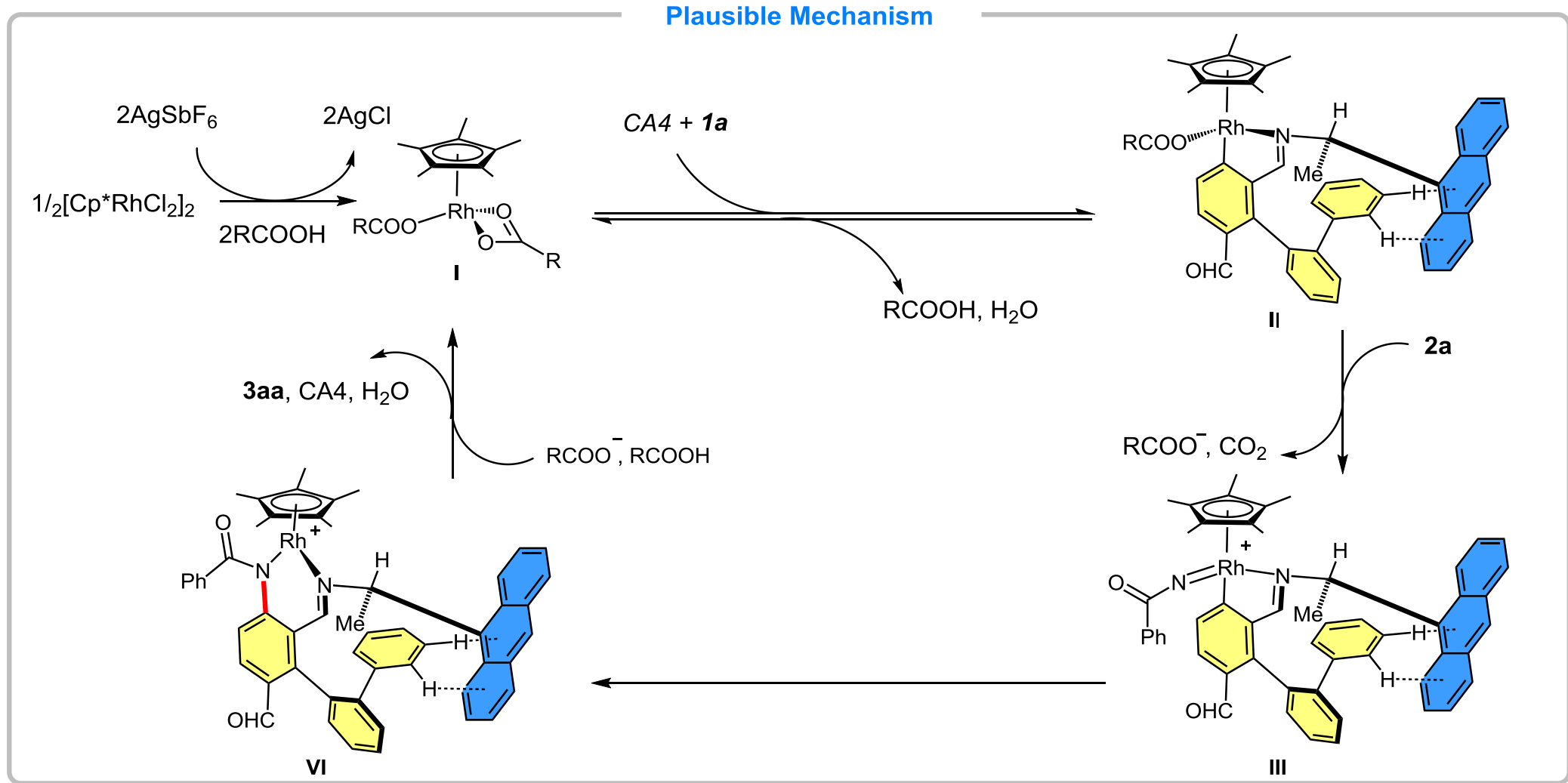
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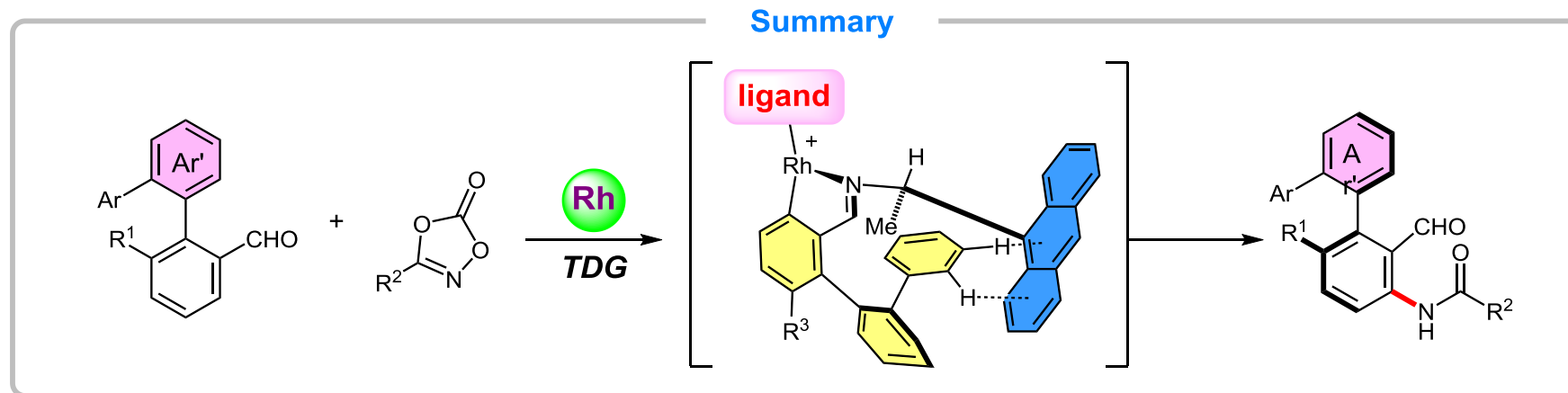
Mechanism Experiment



Plausible Mechanism



Summary



- Transient and Noncovalent Synergistic Interactions
- Achieving Axially Chiral Biaryl Dialdehydes

Writing Strategies

□ The First Paragraph

The importance of
axially chiral scaffolds



Few reports about
axially biaryl dialdehydes

- ✓ Axially chiral scaffolds are one of the most ubiquitous structural motifs in **natural products, bioactive molecules, and materials science**, as well as essential frameworks **as chiral ligands and catalysts**. Particularly, axially chiral aldehydes attract increasing interest owing to their excellent catalytic performance, which were pioneered by the Guo and the Zhao groups, respectively.
- ✓ Among various strategies, **desymmetrization** of biaryl dialdehydes has emerged as a straightforward method from readily accessible substrates. A couple of delicate strategies have been developed to **achieve the synthesis of axially chiral aldehydes** by desymmetrization during the last decade.

Writing Strategies

□ The Last Paragraph

Summary
of this work



Outlook
of this work

- ✓ We have developed a novel and practical strategy for the construction of axially chiral amido dialdehydes in moderate to good yields with commendable enantioselectivities. Furthermore, the confirmed absolute structure of intermediate as well as detailed control experiments indicated that the asymmetric induction might start from a sterically rigidified chiral amine moiety, and followed by C-H/ π interaction to facilitate the favored pathway.
- ✓ The new transient and C-H/ π synergistic interactions might bring up opportunities for not only synthesizing novel axially chiral amido dialdehydes, but also providing a new tool to stimulate asymmetric catalysis.

Representative Examples

- ✓ **In stark contrast** (形成鲜明对比的是) , basic conditions $K_2CO_3/MeOH$ resulted in significant erosion of the ee, the observed racemization could be presumably attributed to the facile silyl-transferring reaction.
- ✓ Various NCIs have been **exploited** (被利用) in enantioselective C–H functionalization in recent years, including hydrogen bond, ion pair, and π interactions et al.
- ✓ Nevertheless, II could be more stable than II' because of the intramolecular C–H/ π interaction, thus producing **S-3 aa** as the **ascendant** (优势, 占支配地位) product through subsequent nitrene insertion and protonation. .

Acknowledgment

Thanks for your attention!