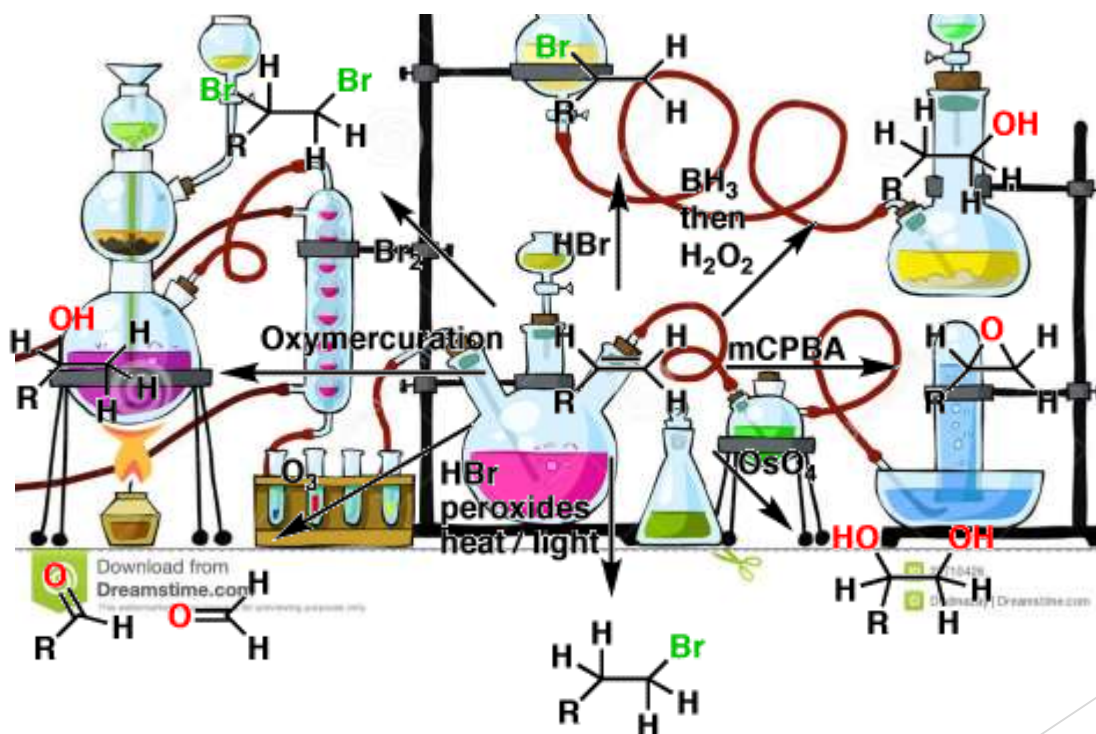


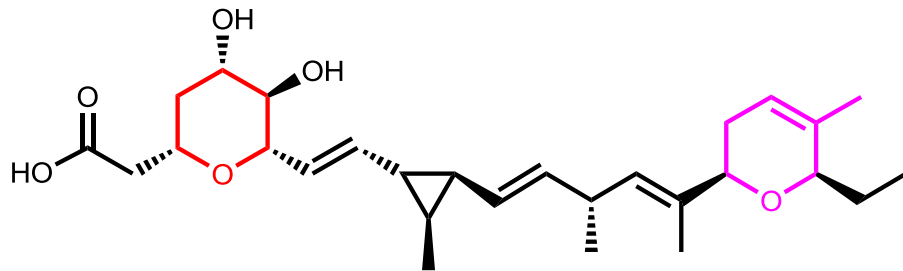
# Hinkle Research Labs

- *Synthetic and Physical Organic Chemistry*
  - *Reactive Intermediates* -- *Cascade Sequences to Aromatics*
  - *Iodonium Salts* -- *ABE Chemicals (GreenBiologics)*

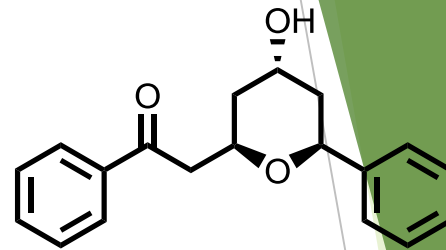


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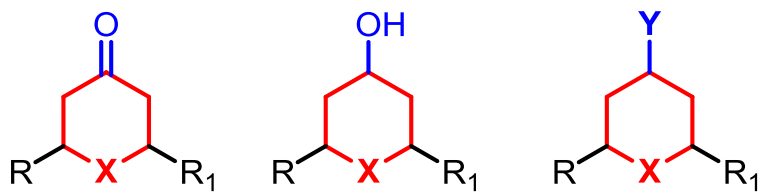
# Heterocyclic Molecule Synthesis via Electrophilic Activation



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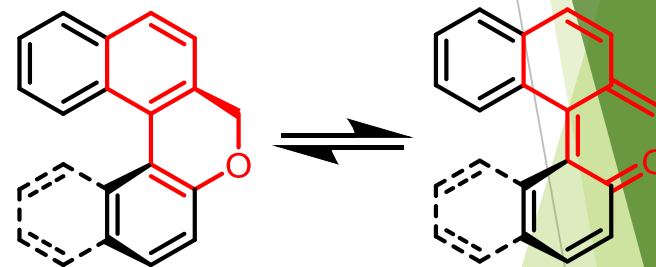
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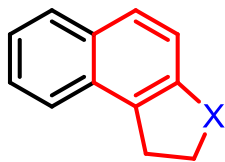
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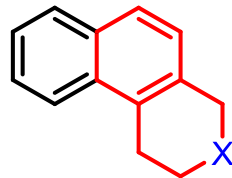
tetrahydropyrans, thiopyrans & piperidines



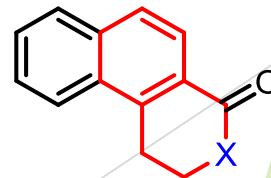
Photochromics?



dihydronaphthofurans  
& benzoindoles



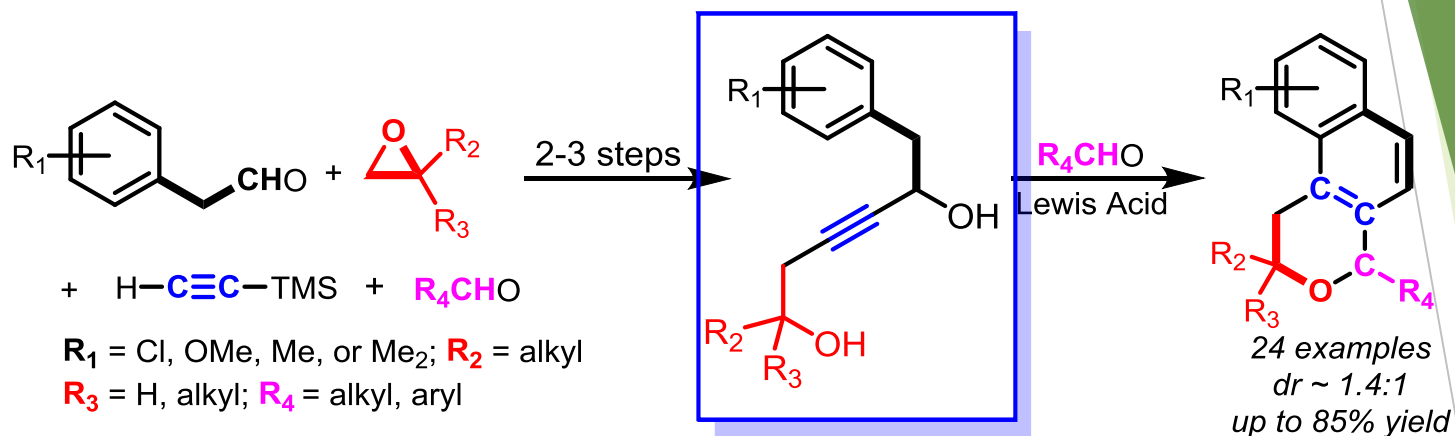
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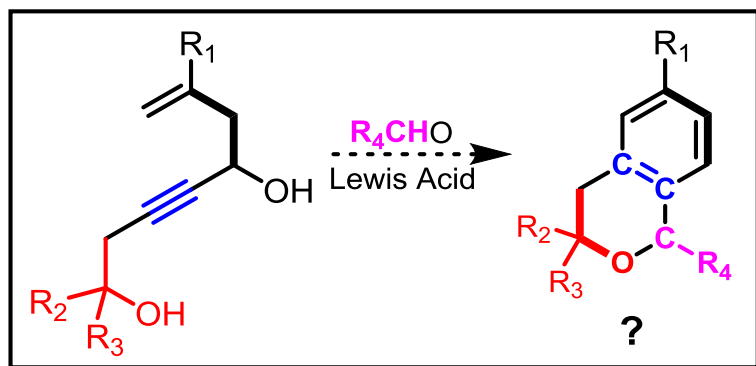
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# Alkynediols as Precursors to Polycyclic Compounds with New Aromatic Rings

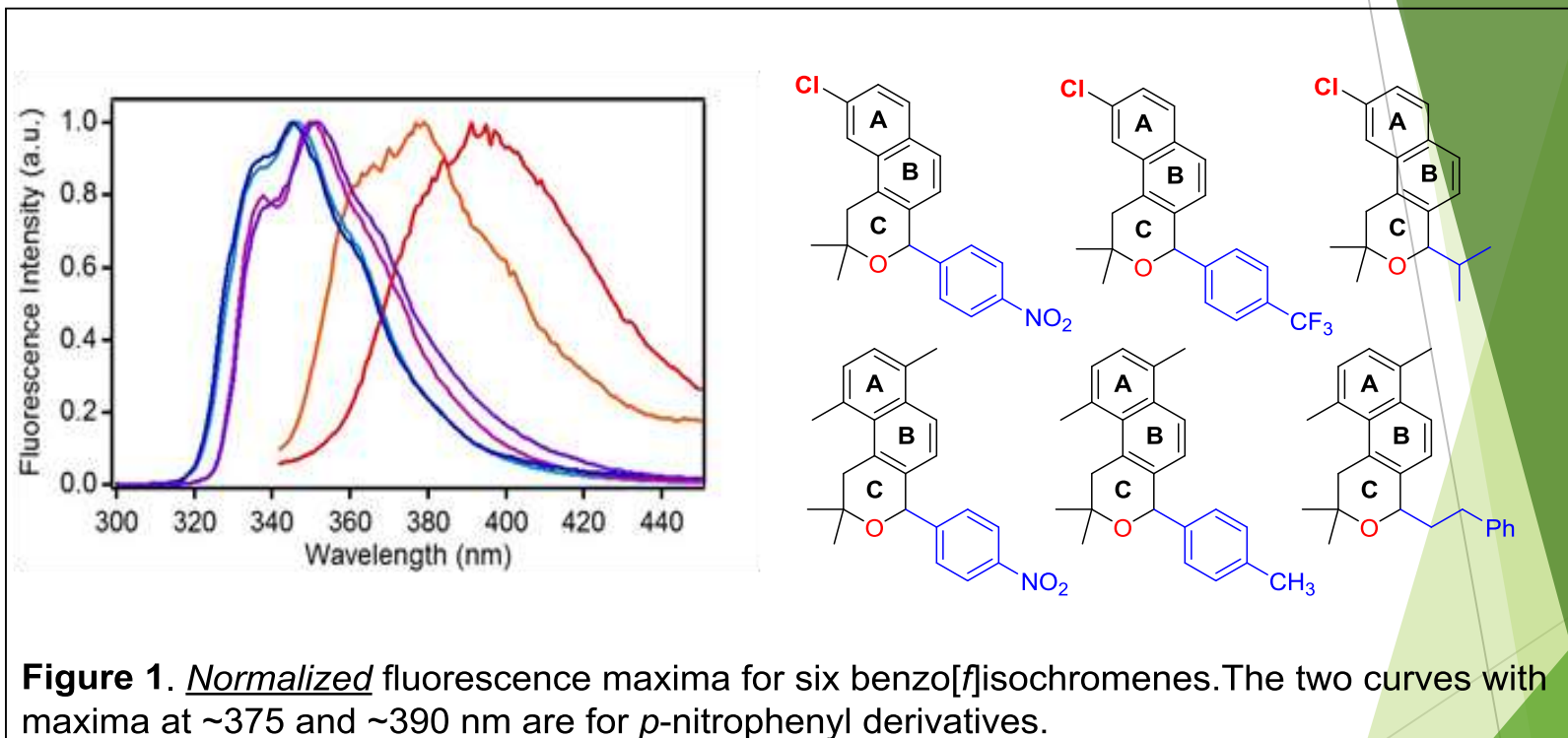


**New aromatic ring from:**

- 1) Alkyne activation
- 2) Friedel-Crafts
- 3) Dehydration

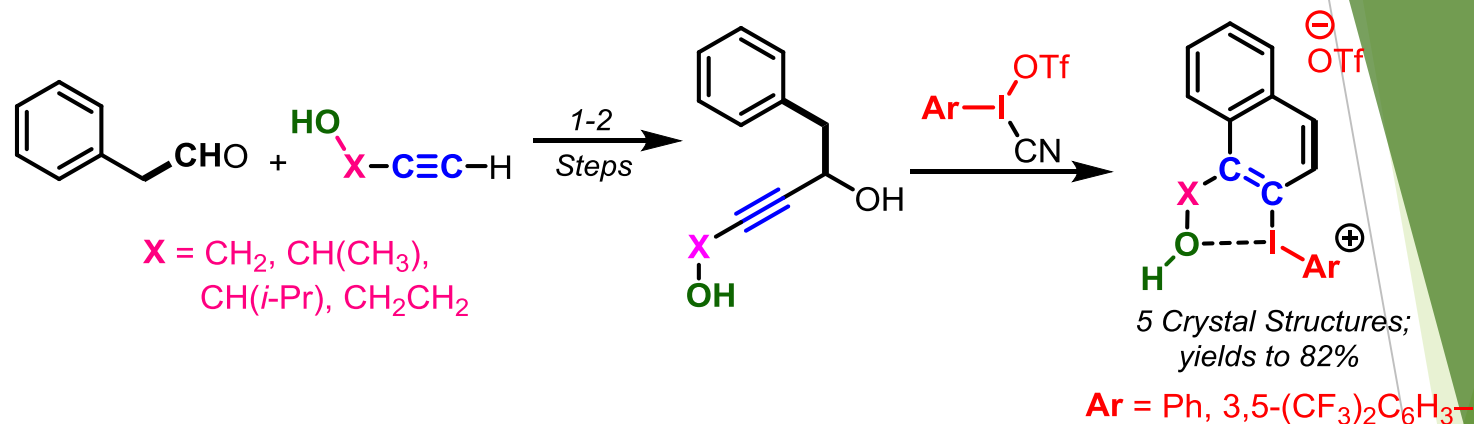


## Examine Fluorescence in Benzo[*f*]isochromene series

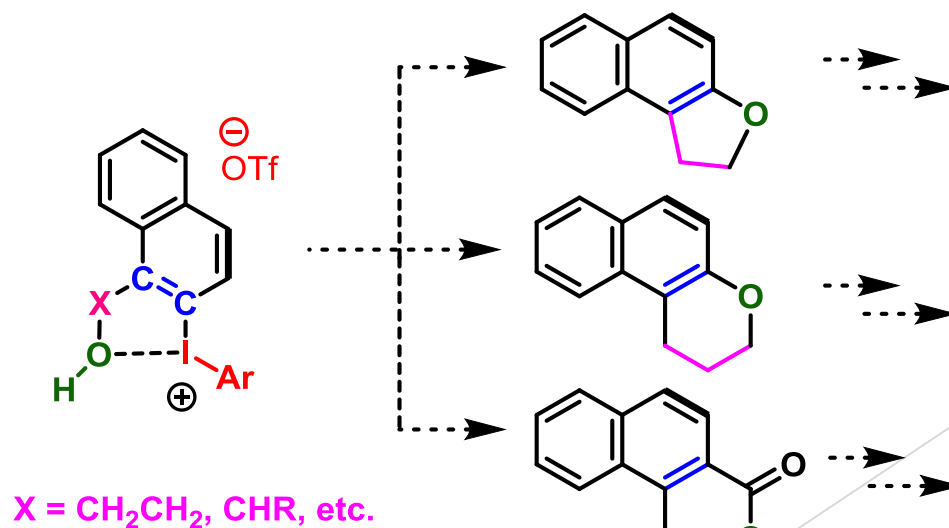


Yuzhou Chen, *unpublished results.*

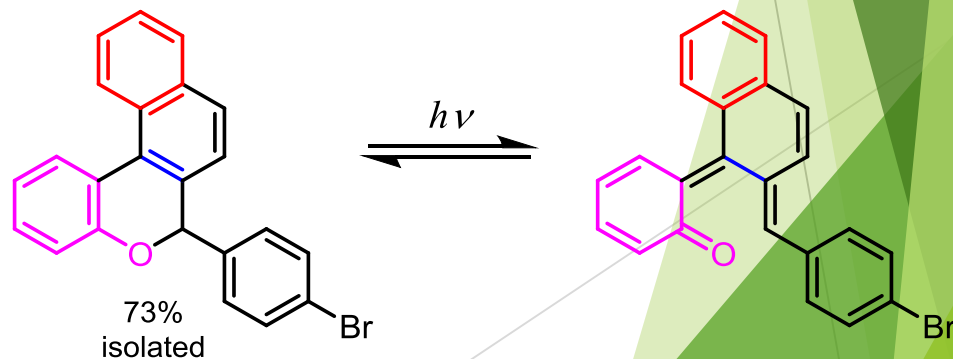
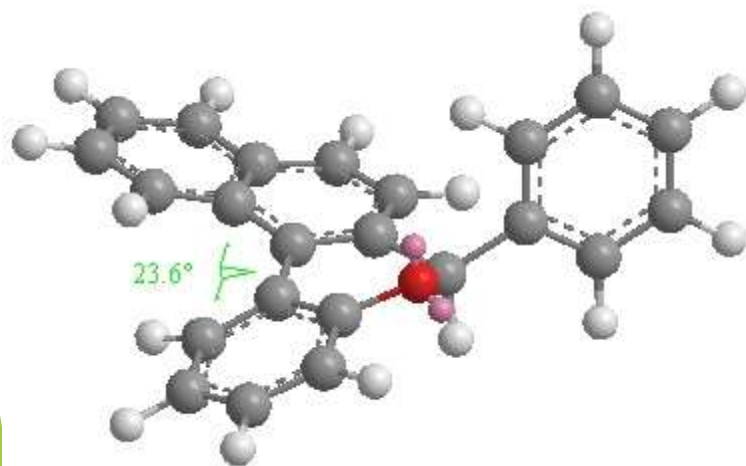
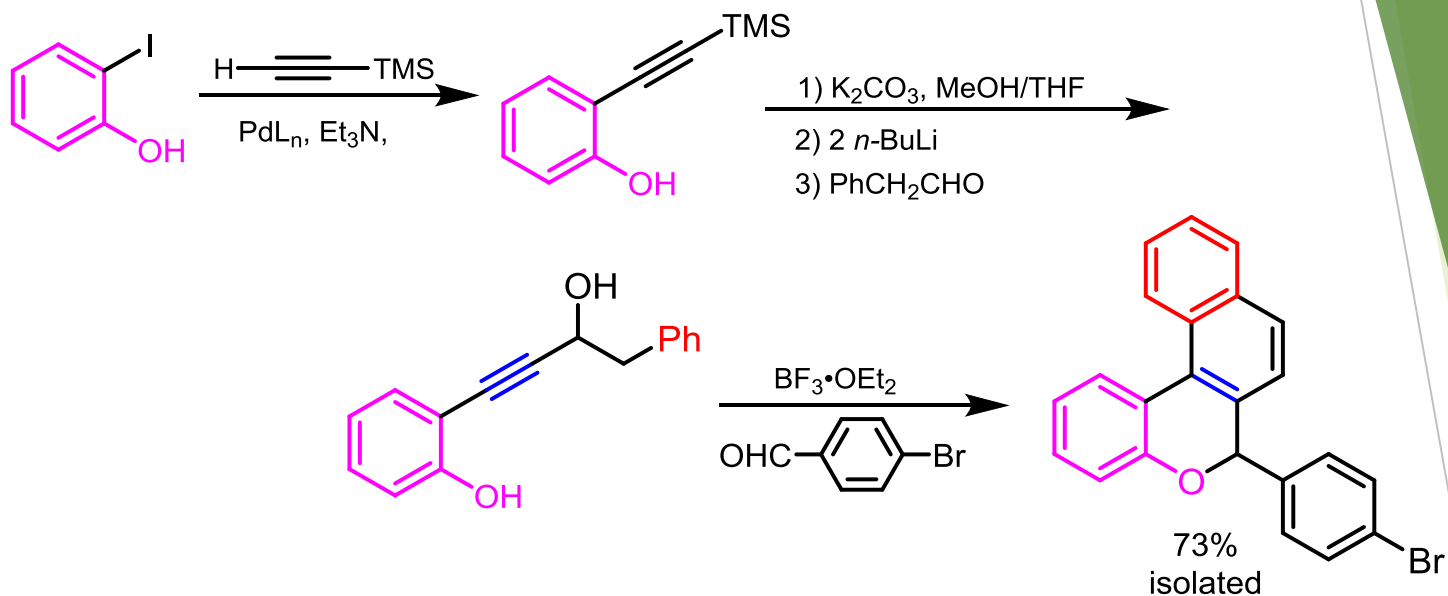
# Alkynediols as Precursors to Naphthyl(aryl)iodonium Salts



Hinkle, Bredenkamp, Pike & Cheon, *J. Org. Chem.* **2017**, Doi: [10.1021/acs.joc.7b01619](https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.joc.7b01619)



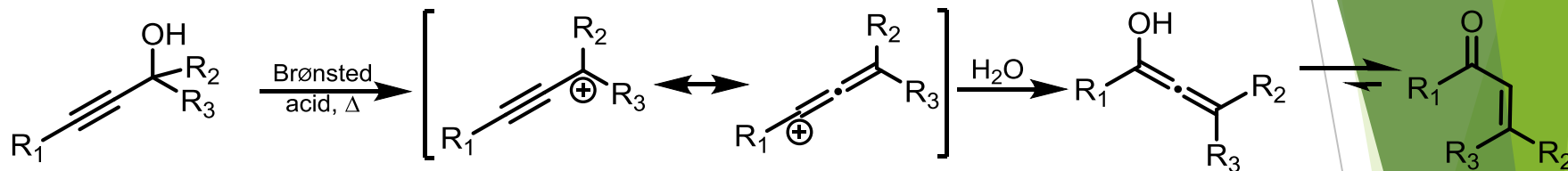
# Alkynediols as Precursors to Naphthopyrans



*Either species fluorescent?  
dihedral angle dependent?*

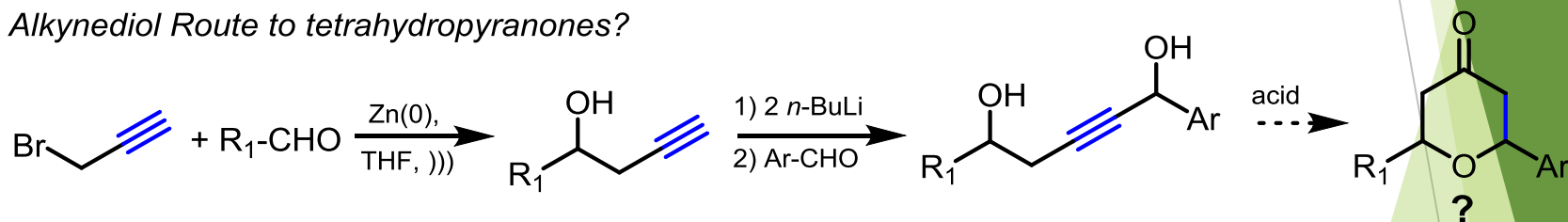
# Alkynediols as Simple, Rapidly-Synthesized THP Precursors?

Meyer-Schuster Rearrangement:

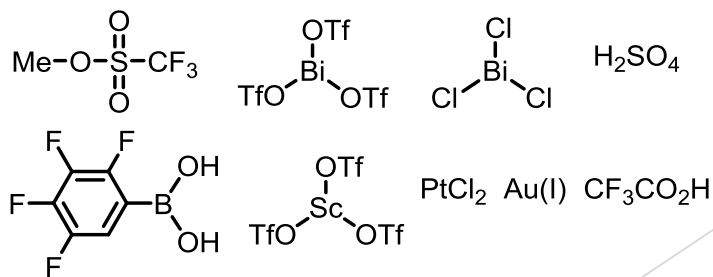


*Either  $R_1$  or  $R_2/R_3$  has to help stabilize the putative allenyl-cation*

Alkynediol Route to tetrahydropyranones?



Acids known to promote the rearrangement:







# GreenBiologics

***Discussion of Agreement  
Details in Progress***

***Dr. Lee Colyer Speight***

***Manager – Product Development & Business Analytics***



Sales and Marketing Overview  
August, 2016



# Case Study: Beyond Ethanol

*Historically significant*



- ABE products and derivatives have strong historical significance:
  - Acetone was the solvent of choice for cordite production - high purity of ABE material ensured smokeless performance
  - *n*-butanol was used a fuel for British spitfire planes flown in WWII
  - *n*-butyl acetate enabled solvency of robust nitrocellulose lacquers for automobiles and led to development of spray guns for paint
- High purity of ABE solvents was key to these developments

Cordite image: [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cordite#/media/File:Brisanzgrante\\_1\\_db.jpg](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Cordite#/media/File:Brisanzgrante_1_db.jpg)  
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Automotive painting: <http://images.wisegeek.com/person-applying-red-auto-paint.jpg>

# Strategic overview

*Current and potential high value markets*

## Initial Identified High Value Markets



## Additional Markets to Explore

- ⊗ Small engine fuels
- ⊗ Lubricants
- ⊗ Cooking fuels
- ⊗ Fragrance carriers
- ⊗ Dry cleaning chemicals
- ⊗ Novel green solvents
- ⊗ Indoor smokeless fireplace fuels
- ⊗ Fuel additives
- ⊗ Pigment dispersions
- ⊗ Stain removers
- ⊗ Pest control products
- ⊗ Degreasers

Current identified high value opportunities of \$3.2 billion out of a \$450 billion global specialty chemicals market

# High value market potential

*Focus on high potential – non-commodity applications*



Cosmetics



Shampoo & Conditioners



Soaps & Shower Gels



Nail Polish Remover



Food Ingredients



Specialty Coatings



Fragrances



Flavourings



Lab Chemicals



Household Cleaners



Performance Lubricants



Retail Acetone



Consumer Fuels



Electronic Chemicals



Plastics



Hand Sanitizers

# ***Things Students do in my Lab:***

## ***Projects for 2018-2019 might involve:***

- 1) Expanding the scope of the benzo[*f*]isochromene syntheses.
  - studying electronic effects on spectrophotometric properties
- 2) Expanding the scope of naphthyl(aryl)iodonium reaction
- 3) Utilizing naphthyl(aryl)iodonium salts for conversion to:
  - naphthofurans
  - naphthopyrans
  - naphtholactones
- 4) Using the cyclization cascade for photochromic molecules.
  - studying electronic effects on spectrophotometric properties.
- 5) Utilize Bio-based chemicals for making non-commodity compounds.

**Lab Activities:**

- Chemical synthesis
- Chromatographic purification
- High-Field NMR spectrometry, *including 2D NMR*
- Gas Chromatography and Mass Spectrometry
- Kinetic analysis

**Positions Open:**

- ~2-3 positions in summer 2018 (1 from GreenBiologics?).
- 1 or 2 additional positions possible with summer internship proposals.

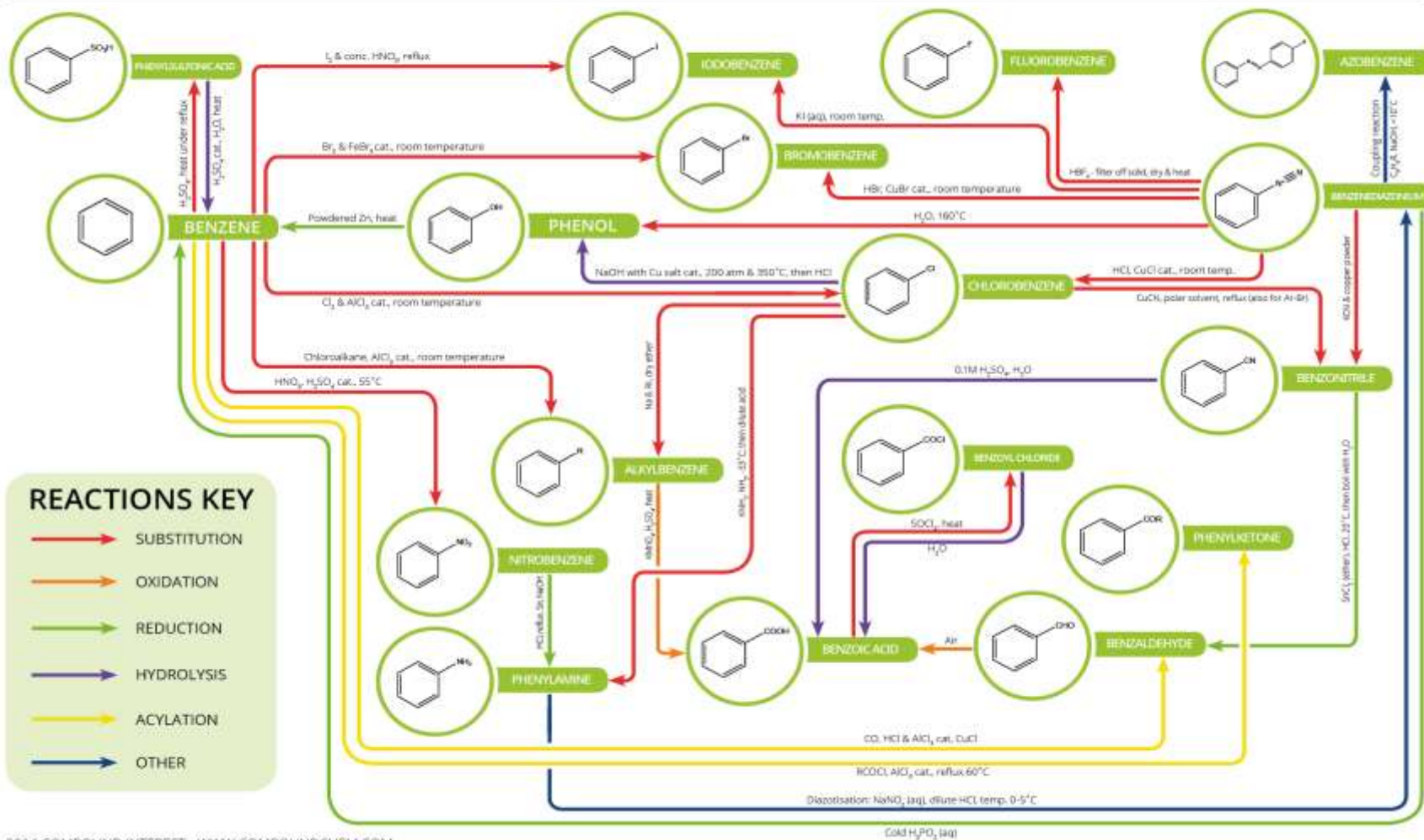
**Current Funding:** *Dean's Office*

**Anticipated Proposal Applications:** *National Institutes of Health (NIH)*  
*National Science Foundation (NSF)*

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**rjhink@wm.edu, 1-1501**



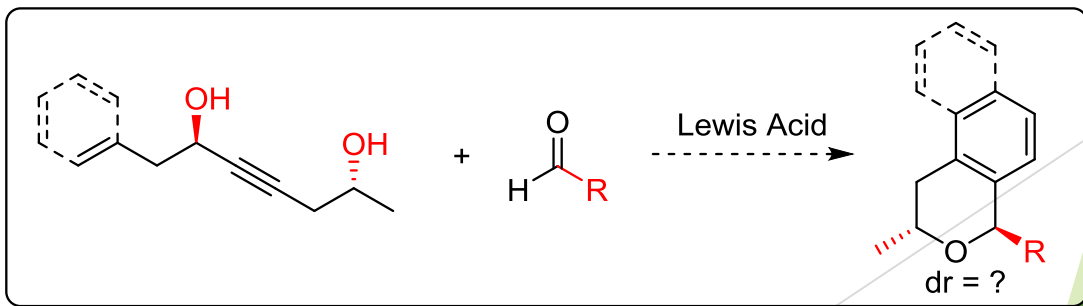
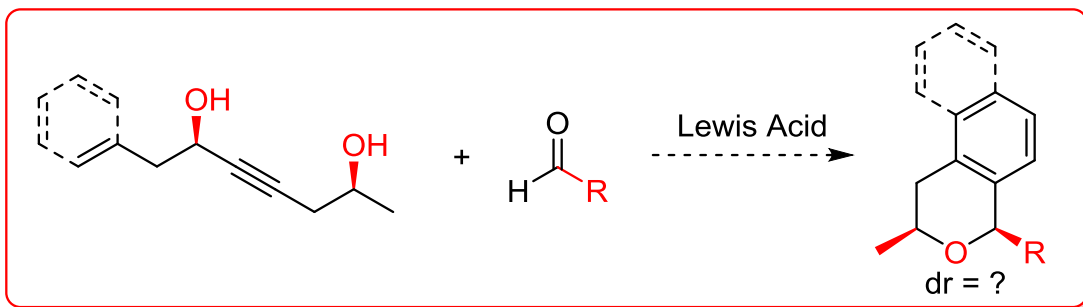
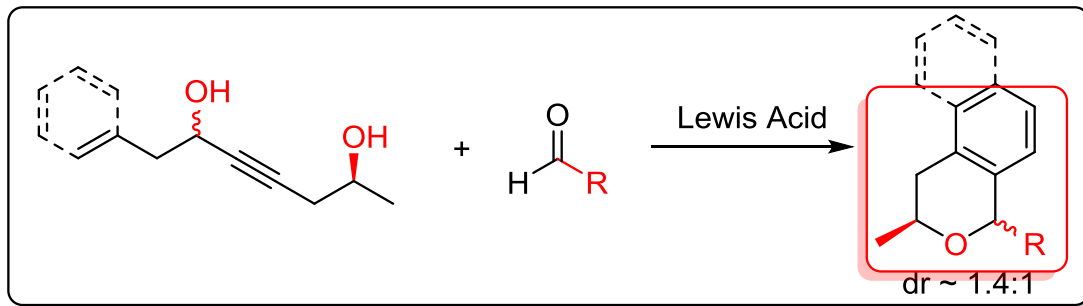
# AROMATIC REACTIONS MAP



2014 COMPOUND INTEREST - WWW.COMPOUNDCHEM.COM

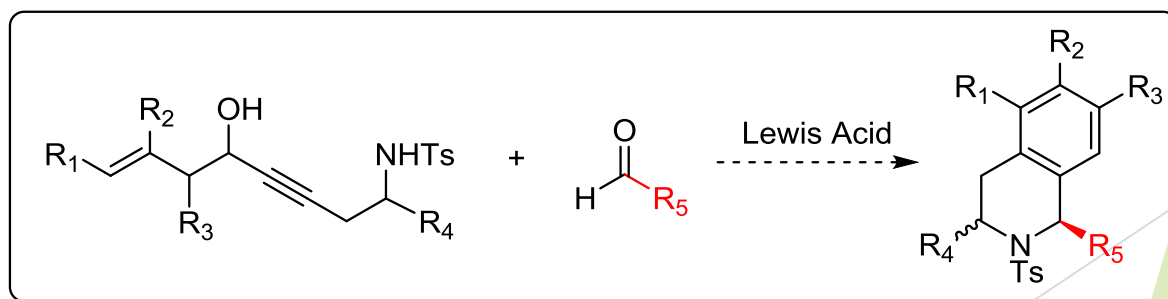
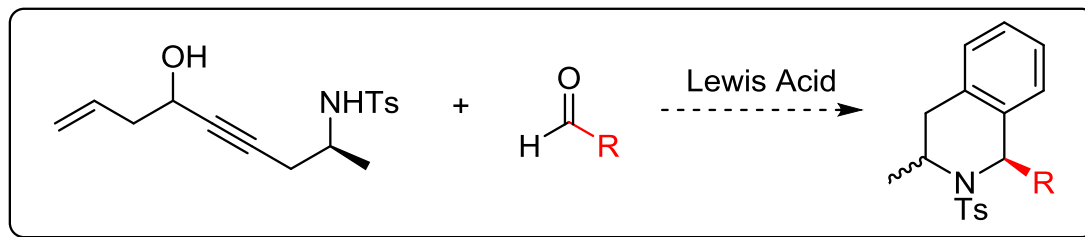
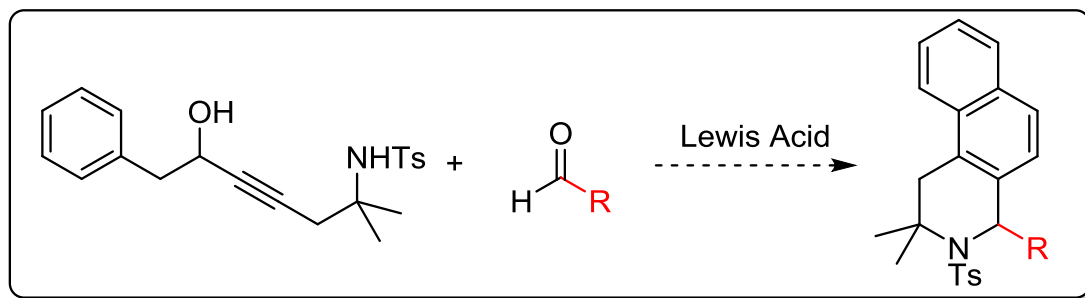
$\text{CoH}_4\text{PO}_4$  (aq)

# Reactions Toward Substituted 2,4-Dihydro-1H-benzo[f]isochromenes and Isochromenes : Stereochemical Effects?

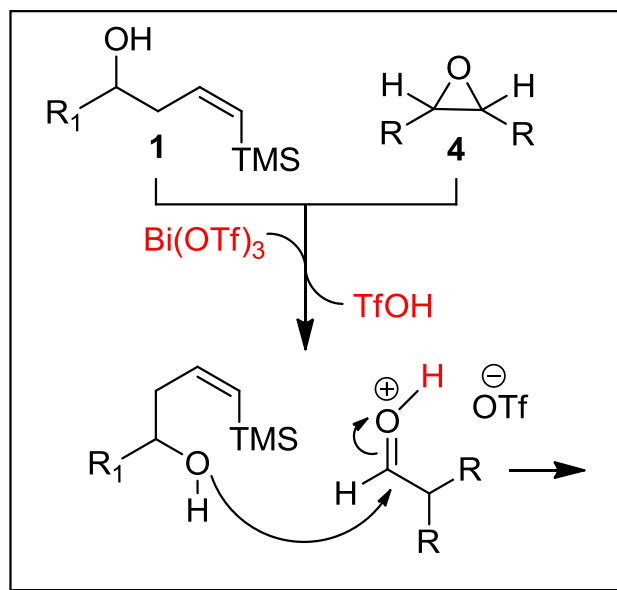
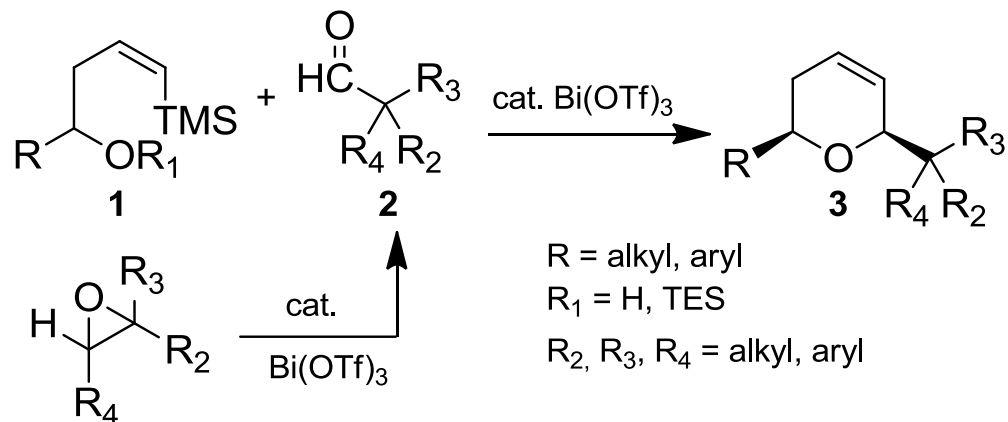




***Tandem addition/Prins/Friedel-Crafts/dehydration reactions toward 2,2,4-trisubstituted-2,4-dihydro-1H-[f]isoquinolines***

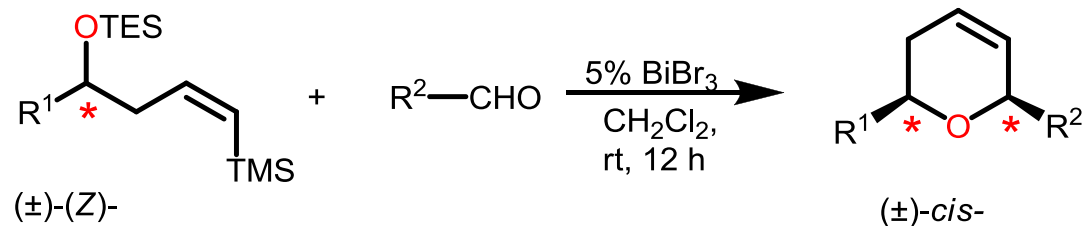


# Role of Bi(III)



**R. Frederick Lambert**, Robert J. Hinkle,\* **Stephen E. Ammann**, Yajing Lian, Jia Liu, Shane E. Lewis and Robert D. Pike, *J. Org. Chem.* 2011, **2011**, 76, 9269-9277.

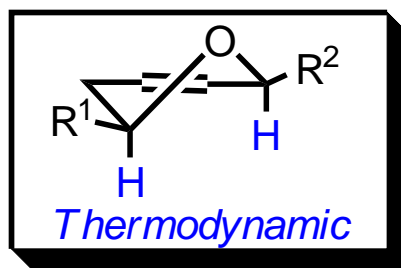
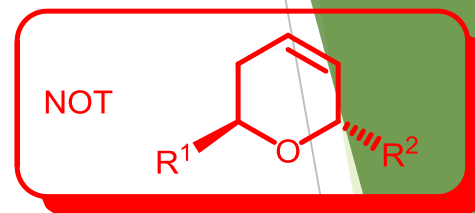
# ***Bi(III) Mediated Reactions***



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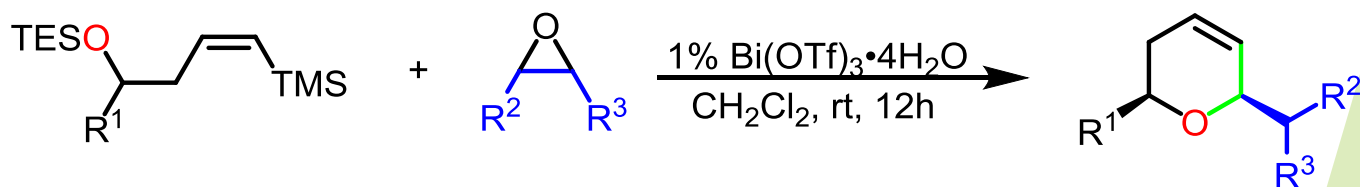
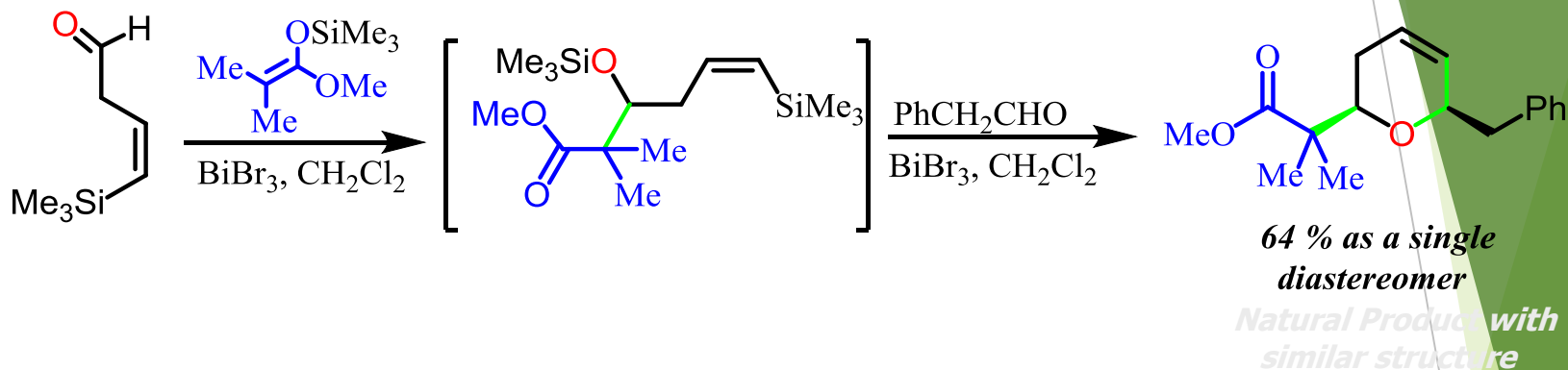
$\text{R}^2 = \text{Ph}, \text{PhCH}_2-, 4\text{-(CF}_3\text{)C}_6\text{H}_4-, 4\text{-(CH}_3\text{O)C}_6\text{H}_4-$

**47-97%**



Lian, Y.; Hinkle, R. J., "BiBr<sub>3</sub>-Initiated Tandem Addition/Silyl-Prins Reactions to 2,6-Disubstituted Dihydropyrans," *J. Org. Chem.* **2006**, 71, 7071-7074.

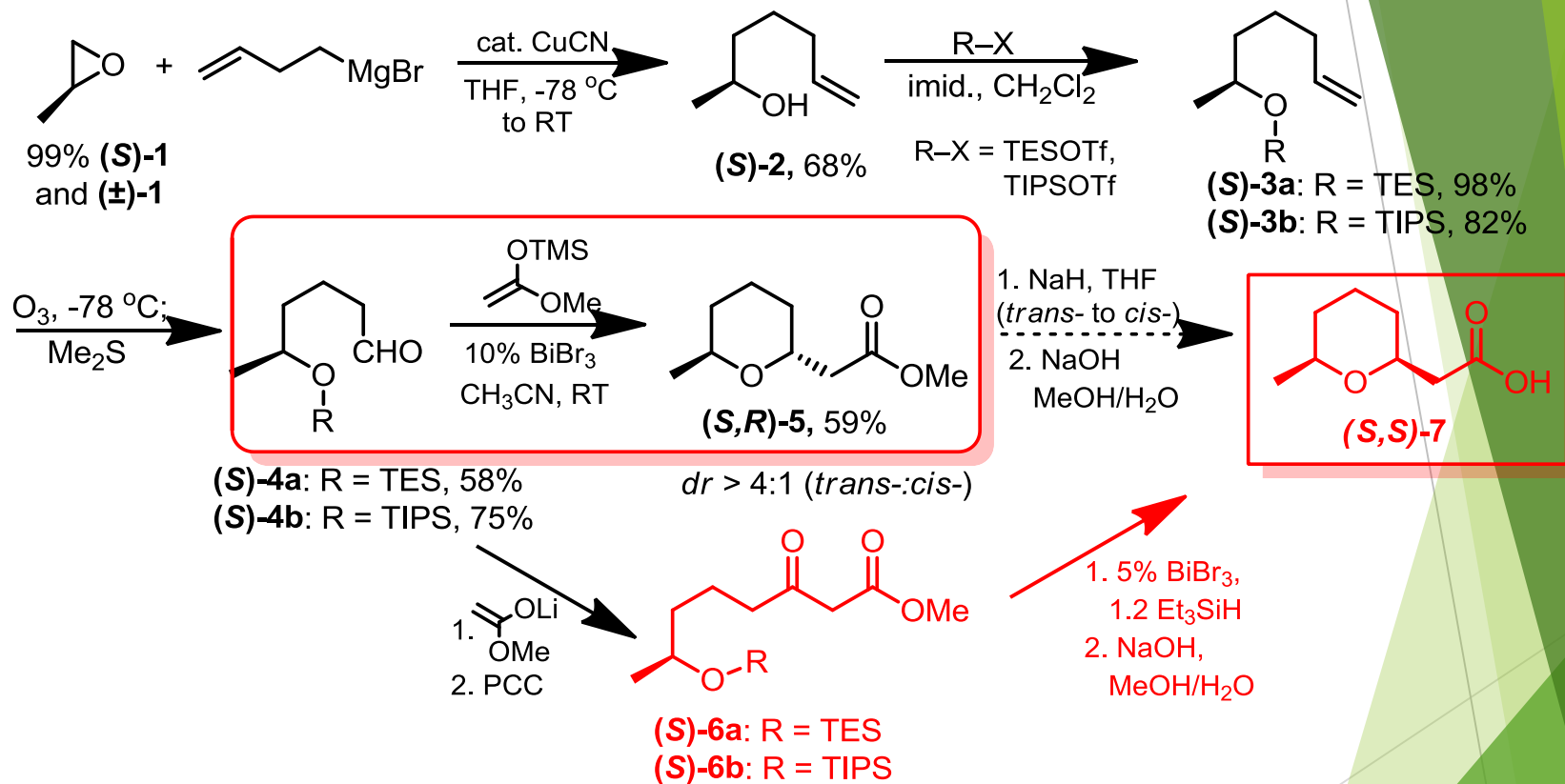
# Dihydropyrans



- Nitrogen instead of Oxygen?
- Enantiomerically-enriched substrates?
- Larger ring systems?

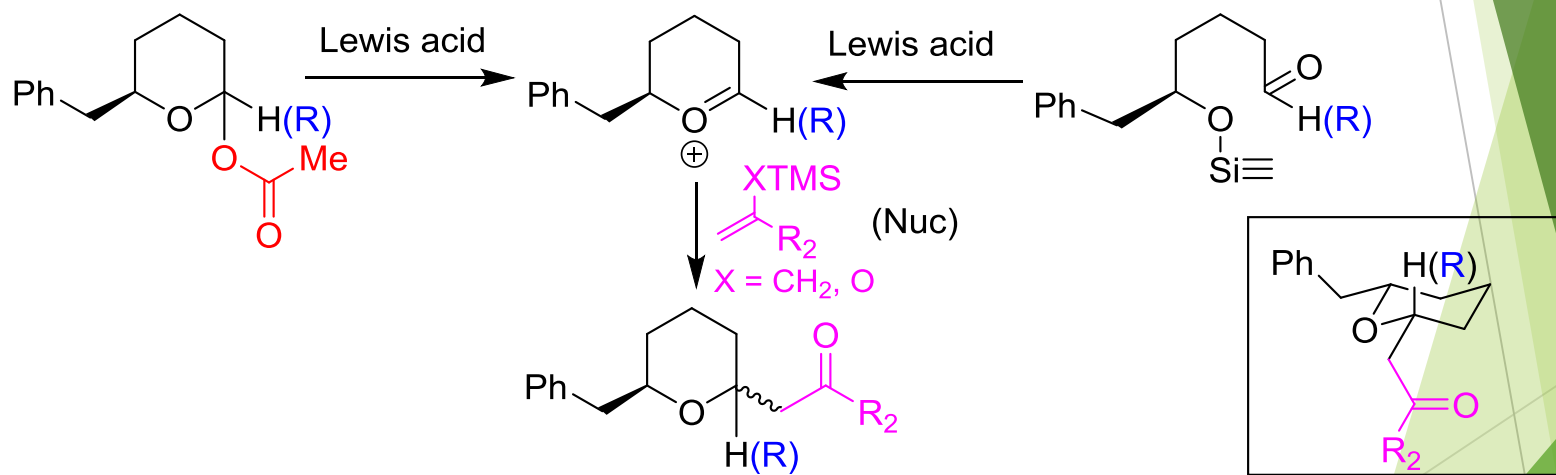
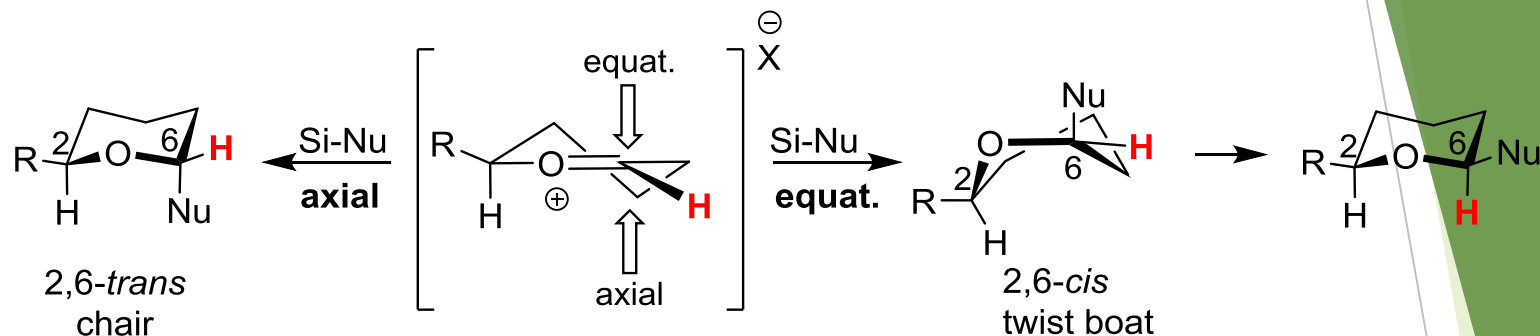
Robert J. Hinkle \*, Yajing Lian, **Lee C. Speight**, Heather E. Stevenson, Melissa M. Sprachman, Lauren A. Katkish, M. Christa Mattern, *Tetrahedron* **2009**, *65*, 6834–6839.

# Stereocontrol in the Synthesis of Civet Component



Hinkle, R. J., Lian, Y.; Litvinas, N. D.; Jenkins, A. T.; Burnette, D. C.  
*Tetrahedron*, **2005**, 61, 11679-11685.

# Stereoelectronic Model for Nucleophilic Addition



Stereoselectivity depends upon acetate stereochemistry, Leaving Group ability (i.e., -OAc vs. -OTf) and nucleophile--**Examining Electronic Effects**

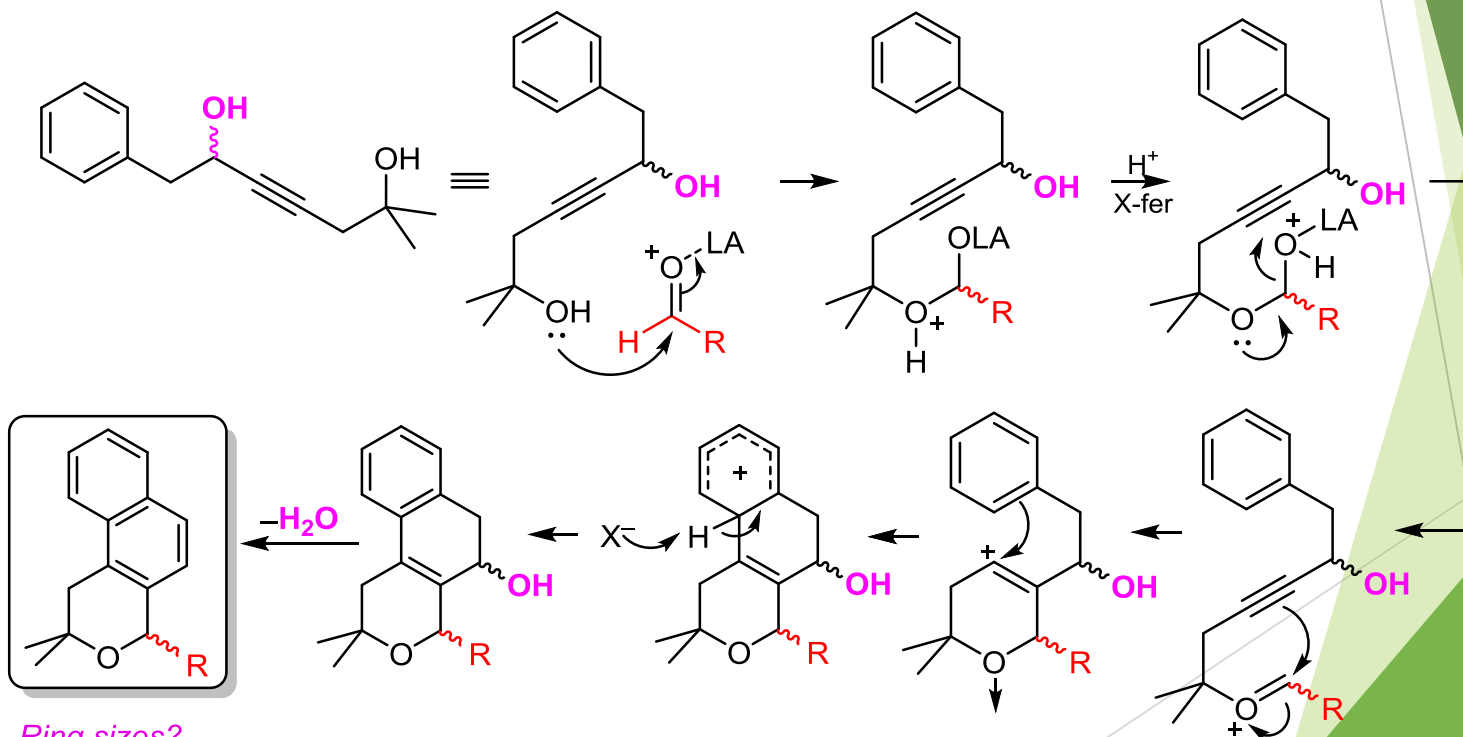
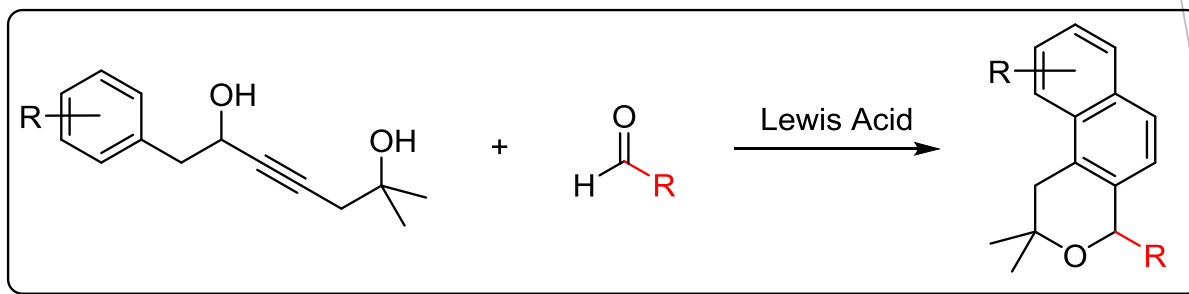
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Ring sizes?  
Asymmetric?

Hinkle, R. J.; Lewis, S. E., *Org. Lett.* **2013**, 15, 4070-4073.