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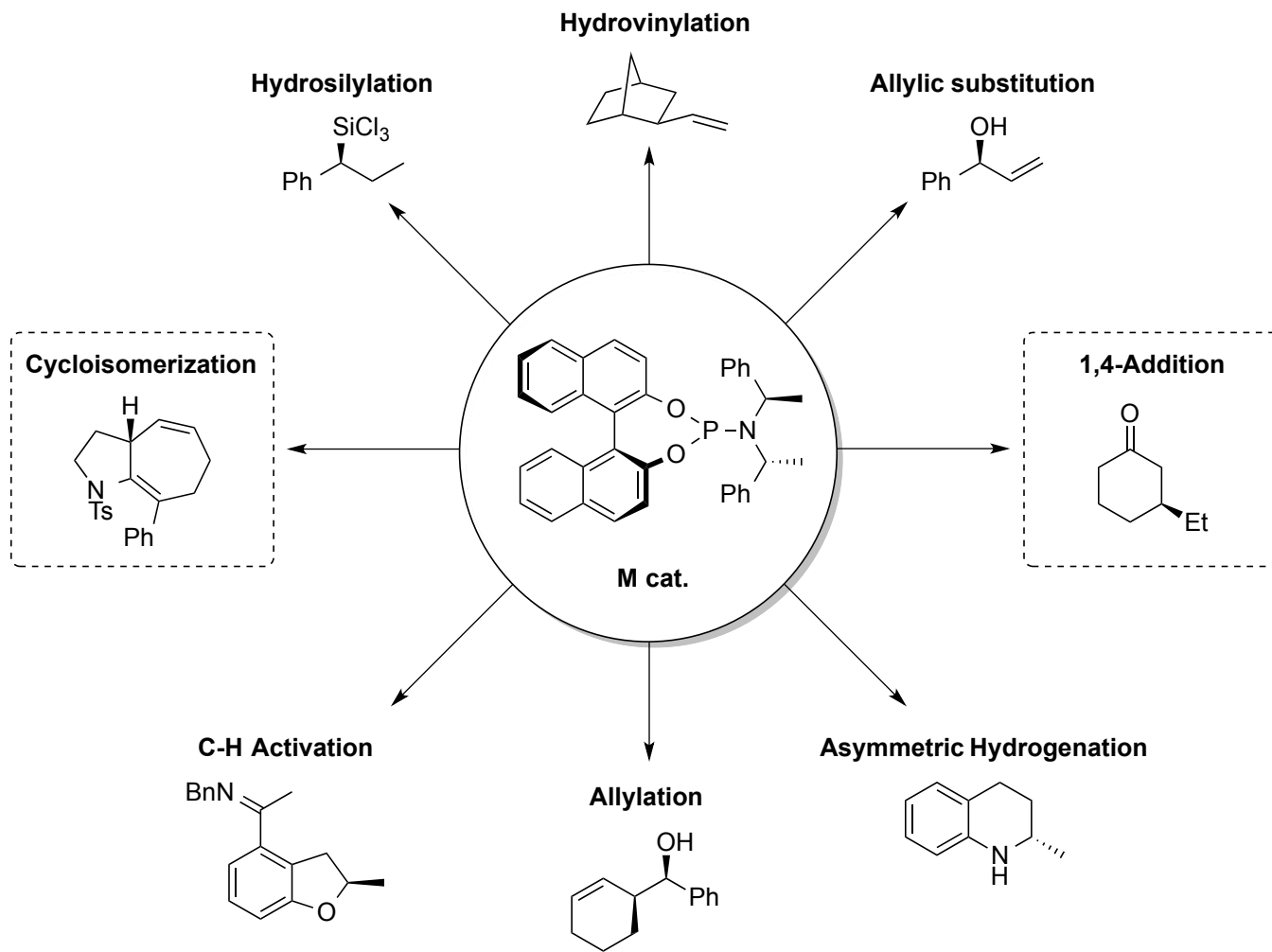
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Introduction – History: Privileged Ligands¹



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Introduction – History

Ben L. Feringa

- Obtained his PhD in 1978 at the University of Groningen under the guidance of Prof. Hans Wynberg
- Appointed full professor in 1988 at the University of Groningen.
- Knighted in 2008 by Her Majesty the Queen of the Netherlands.
- First introduced phosphoramidites in 1994, describing them as “interesting chiral ligands”.²

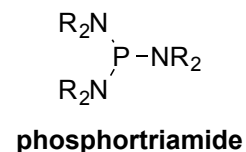
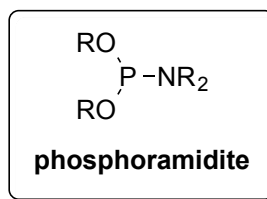
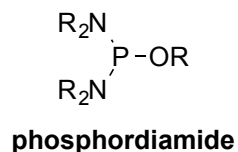
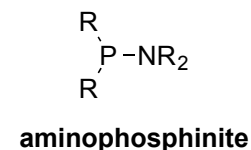
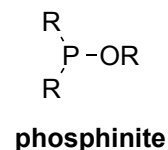
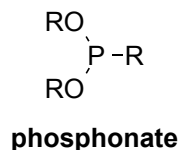
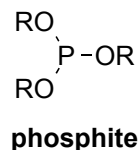
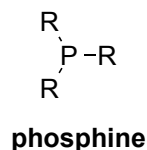


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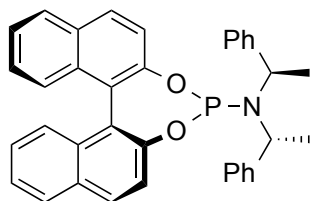
Trivalent Phosphorous

- Phosphoramidites are one of a family of amides of trivalent phosphorous acid H_3PO_3 .
- Distinct from other trivalent phosphorous ligands as they contain one P-N bond and two P-O bonds.
- Both phosphorous and nitrogen possess unshared lone pairs, which can act as metal binding sites

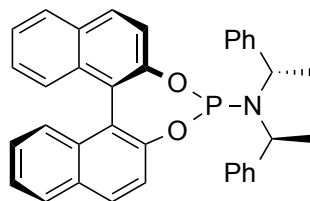


Modular Framework

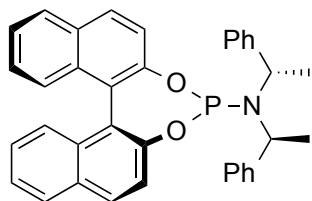
- Stereodiscrimination can originate from either the diol or amine component – matched/ mismatched.
- Possible to tune the steric and electronic properties with a variety of readily available building blocks.
- Phosphorous has a pseudotetrahedral geometry, whilst nitrogen is usually trigonal planar.³



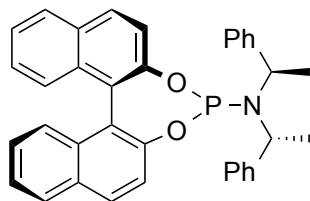
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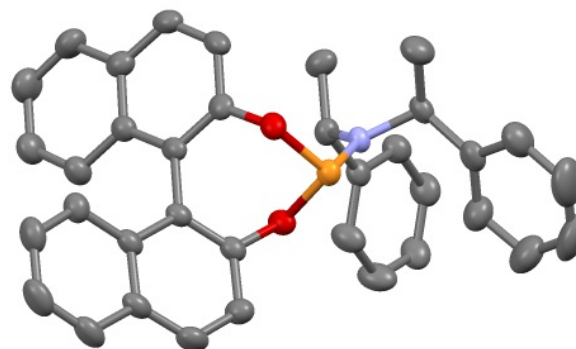
(*R,S,S*)-ent-L2



(*S,S,S*)-L2b



(*R,R,R*)-ent-L2b

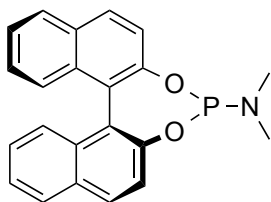


X-Ray crystal structure of (*S,R,R*)-L2

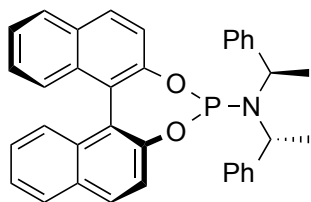
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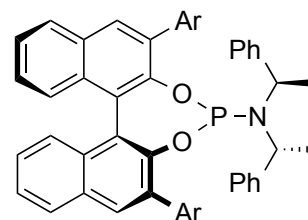
Commonly used classes of phosphoramidite ligand¹



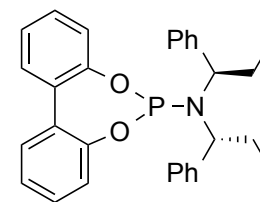
chiral BINOL, achiral amine
(*S*)-**L1** (MonoPhos)



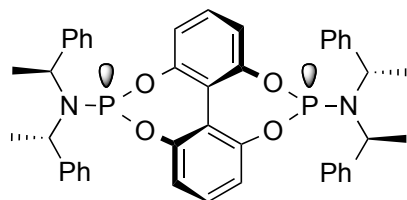
chiral BINOL, chiral amine
(*S,R,R*)-**L2**



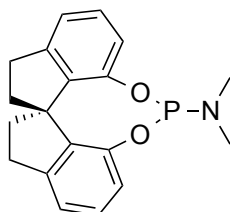
3,5-disubstituted BINOL
(*S,S,S*)-**L3**



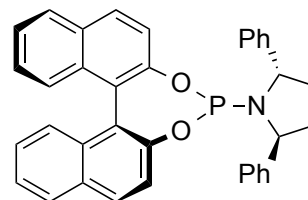
flexible biphenol
(*R,R*)-**L4**



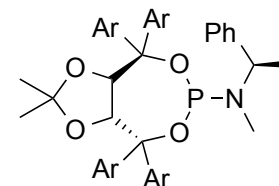
dibridged biphenyl
cis-(*S,S,aR,S,S*)-**L5**



spirobiindanediol
(*R*)-**L6**



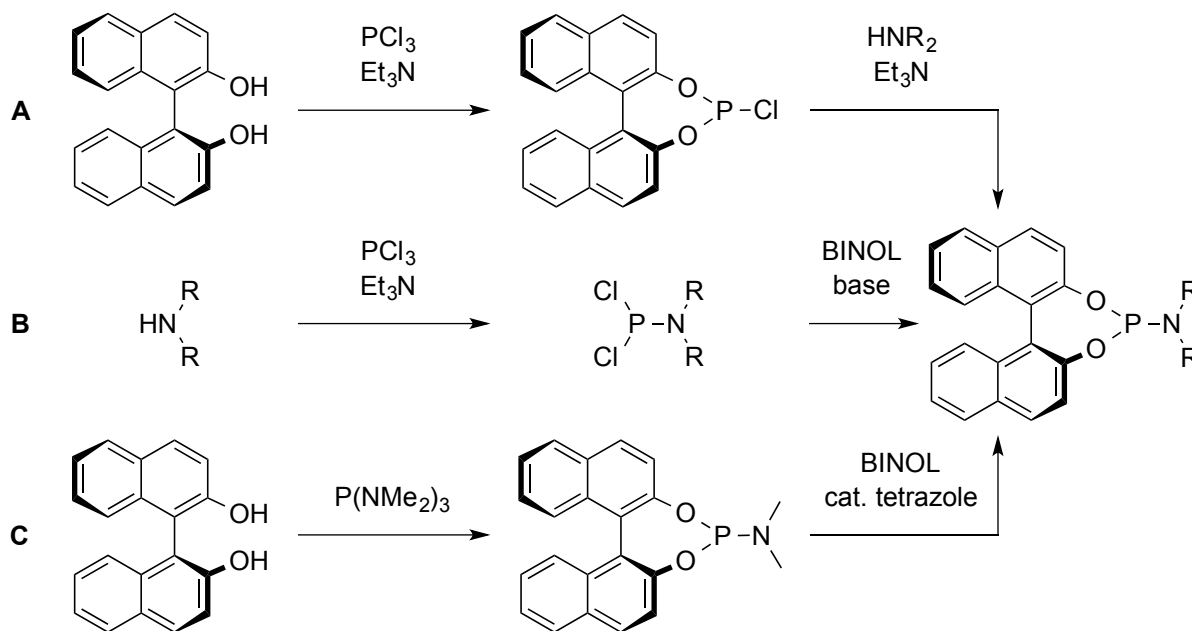
chiral pyrrolidine
(*S,S,S*)-**L7**



TADDOL backbone
(*S,S,R*)-**L8**

Three main routes to phosphoramidite ligands have been established:

- A is the most commonly adopted.⁴
- B is preferred for more sterically encumbered amines.⁵
- C represents an efficient synthesis of MonoPhos, which can undergo subsequent amine exchange.²



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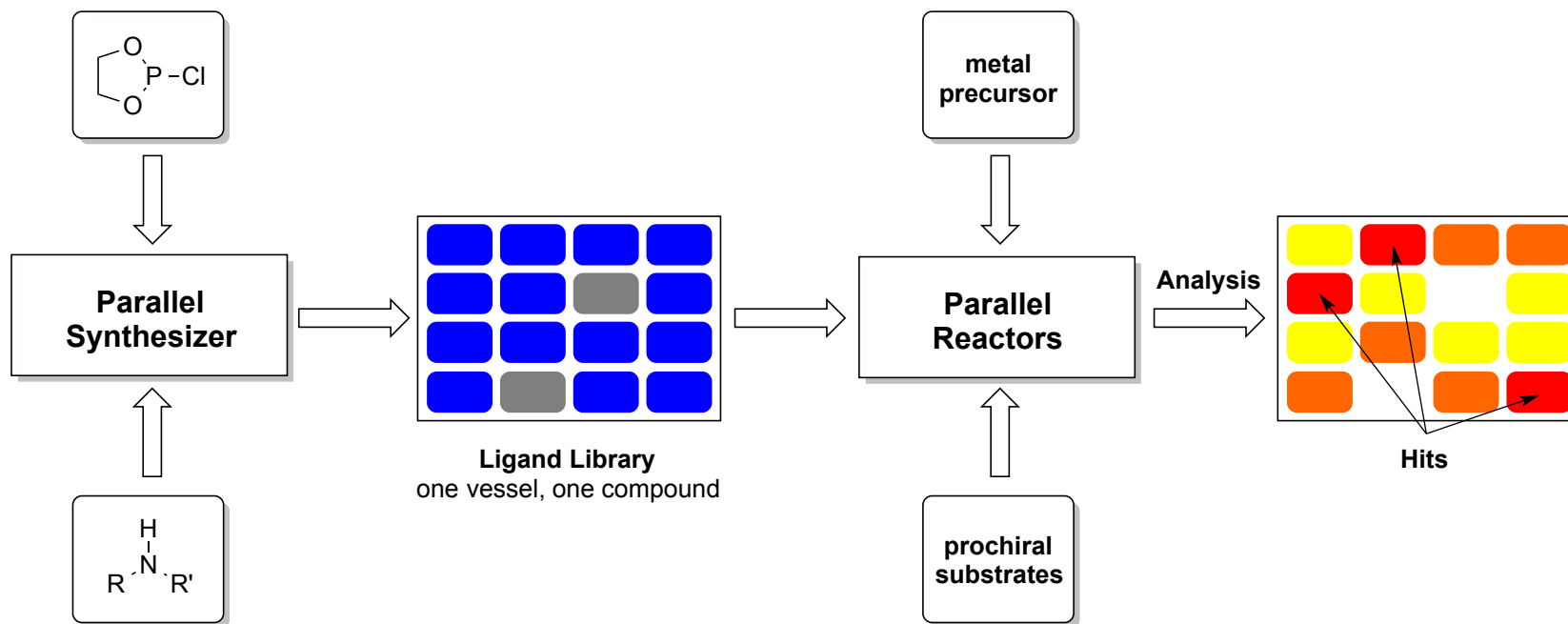
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Introduction – Synthesis

Fully automated parallel synthesis and *in situ* screening of ligand libraries⁶

- Modular nature of phosphoramidites makes them ideally suited to parallel synthesis approach.
- Particularly useful for highly substrate dependant reactions as ligand libraries can be stored and reused.



1,4-Addition of organometallic nucleophiles

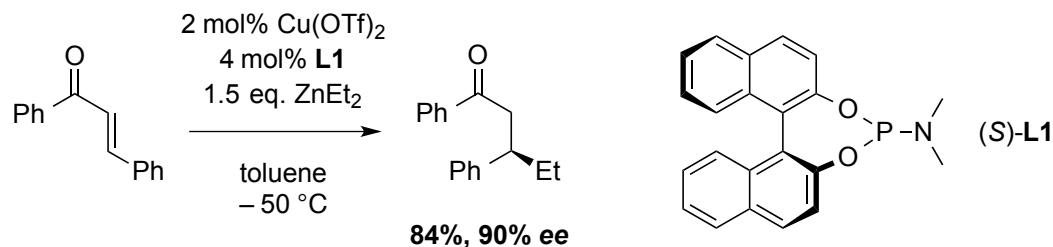
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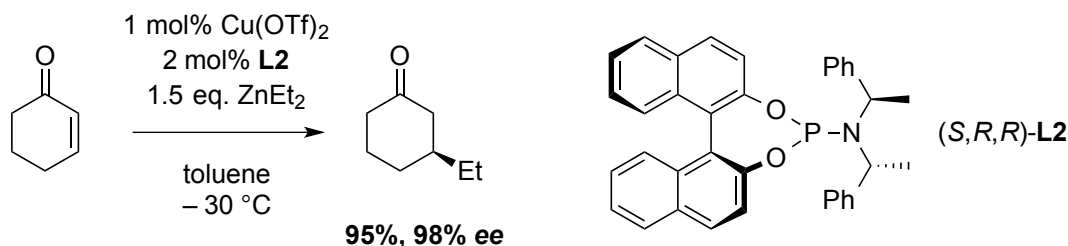


Copper-catalyzed asymmetric conjugate addition with dialkyl zinc reagents⁴

- Demonstrated by Feringa *et al.*, high chemo- and enantioselectivity with cyclic and acyclic enones.



- Further explored ligand substituents and discovered additional chiral centres were beneficial.⁷



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Application – 1,4-Addition of organometallic nucleophiles

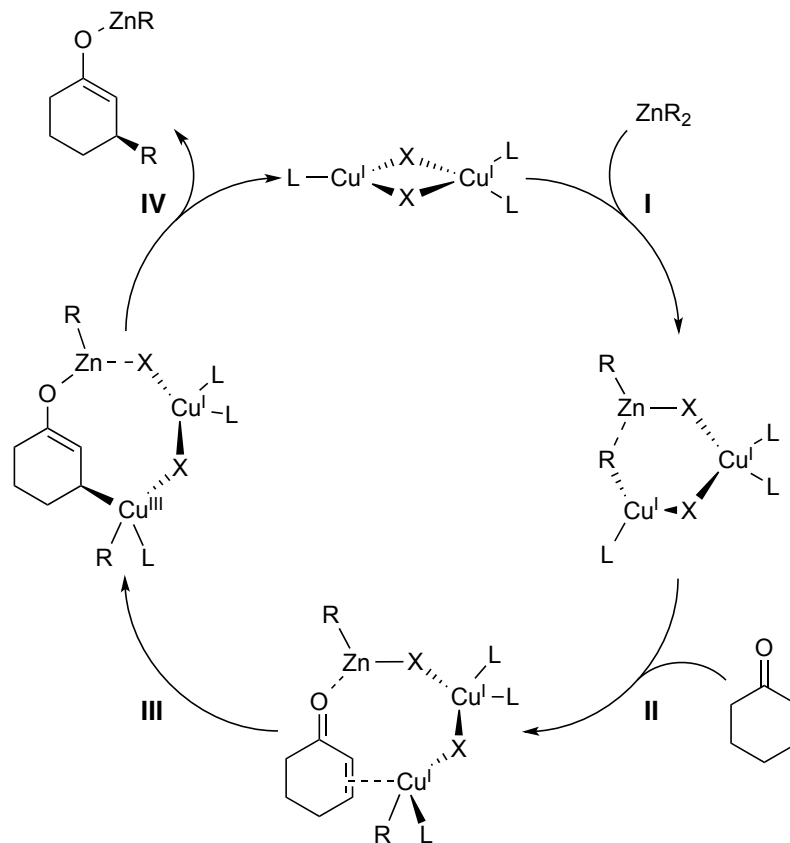
Catalytic Cycle – Gschwind *et al.*^{8,9}

I – Alkyl transfer of dialkyl zinc reagent to dimeric copper(I) precatalyst.

II – π coordination of Cu^{I} centre to alkene moiety of Michael acceptor. Zinc(II) acts as a Lewis acid, binding to the carbonyl group.

III – Oxidative 1,4-addition of Cu^{I} to activated enone.

IV – Reductive elimination, releasing zinc enoate and copper(I) complex, rate determining step.

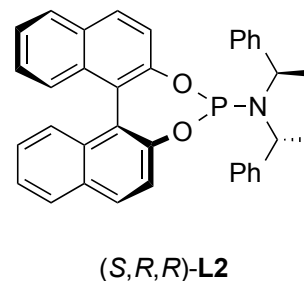
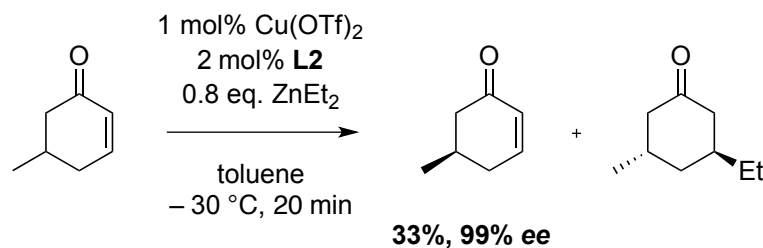


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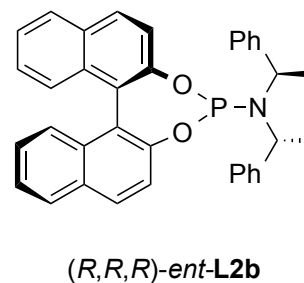
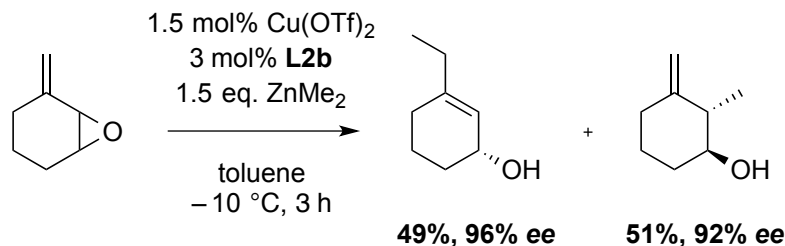
Application – 1,4-Addition of organometallic nucleophiles

Kinetic Resolution Reactions

- Selective conversion of one enantiomer of starting material to conjugate addition product.¹⁰

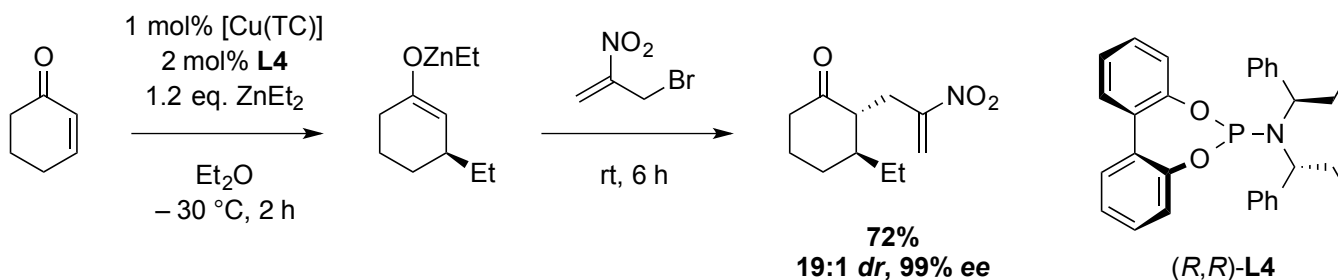


- Ligand delivers nucleophile in $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2'$ fashion to one enantiomer and $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ to the other.¹¹



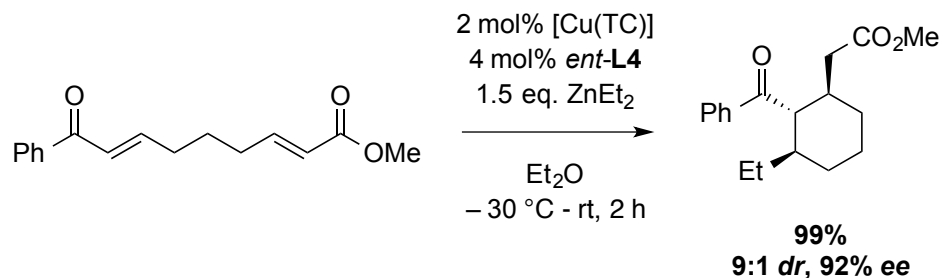
Intermolecular trapping of zinc enolates with electrophiles

- Alexakis demonstrated highly diastereoselective trapping of zinc enolate intermediates.¹²



Intramolecular Michael reaction

- Chemoselective conjugate addition, followed by trapping with tethered electrophile.¹³



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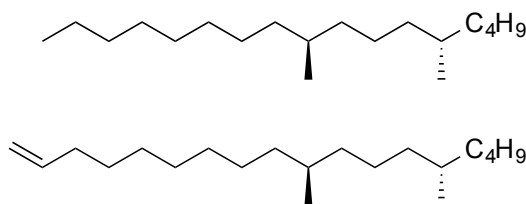
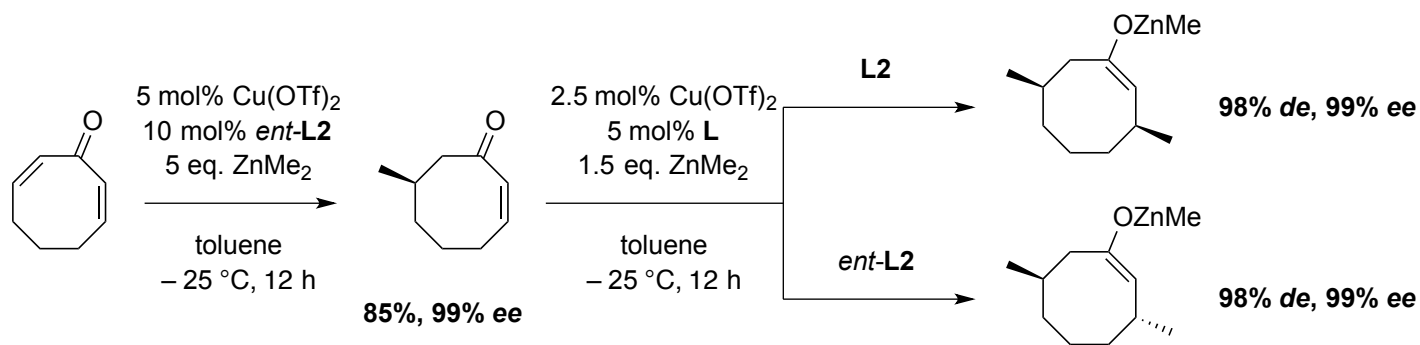
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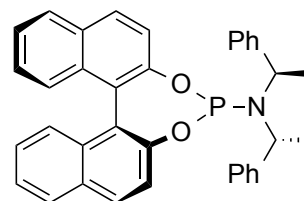
Application – 1,4-Addition of organometallic nucleophiles

Construction of 1,5-dimethyl arrays – Application to Natural Products¹⁴

- Judicious choice of catalyst allows construction of all four diastereomers of isoprenoid building blocks.
- Selective oxidative ring opening of the corresponding silyl enol ether prevents racemization.



Insect pheromones
(*Lyonetia prunifoliella*)



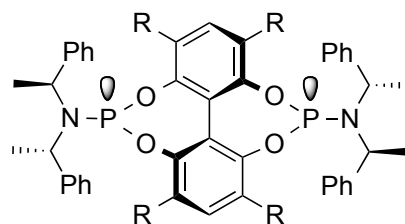
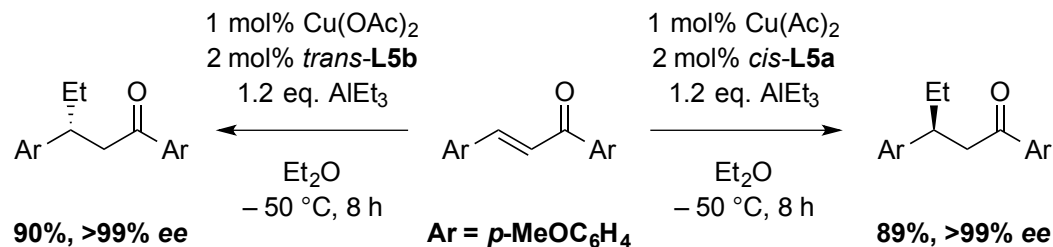
(S,R,R)-L2

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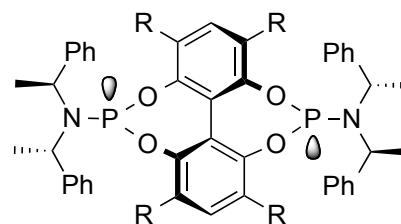
Application – 1,4-Addition of organometallic nucleophiles

Reversal of stereoselectivity: Substituent Effect – Zhang *et al.*^{15,16}

- Backbone substituents in D₂-symmetric ligands can switch enantioselectivity absolutely.
- Matched and mismatched cases with *cis*- and *trans*-dibridged phosphoramidites.



cis-(*S,S,aR,S,S*)-L5x
x = a, R = H; x = b, R = Me



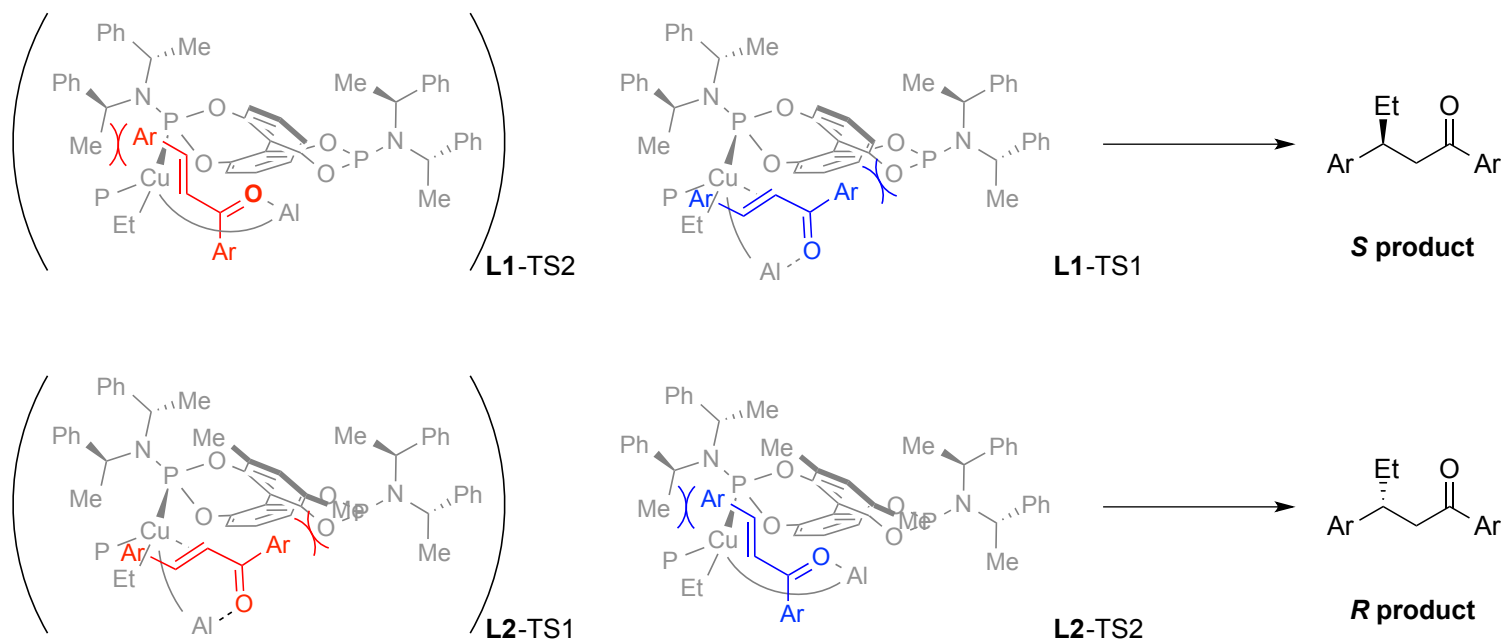
trans-(*S,S,aR,S,S*)-L5x
x = a, R = H; x = b, R = Me

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- Unfavourable steric interaction of the amine substituent with the substrate in L5a-TS2.
- Overriding steric interaction of backbone substituent with substrate in L5b-TS1.

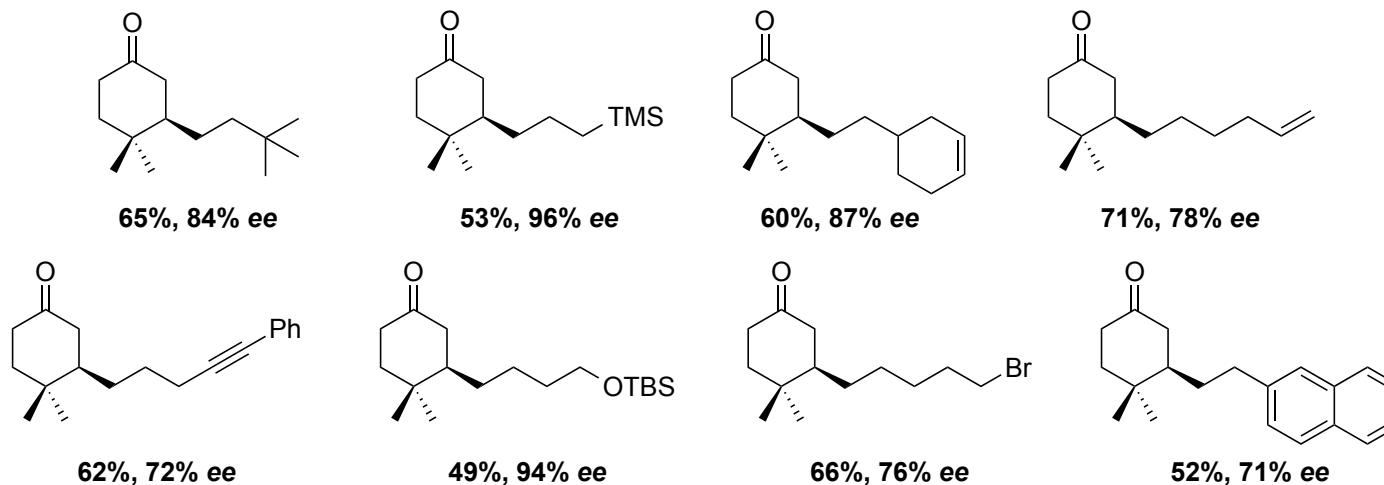
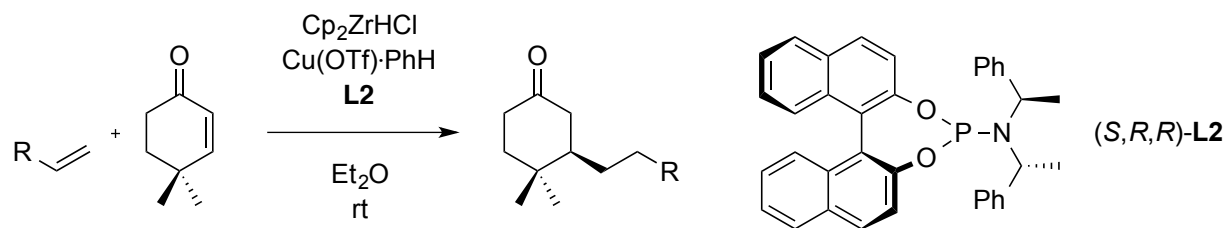


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Application – 1,4-Addition of organometallic nucleophiles

In situ generation of organometallic nucleophiles – Fletcher *et al.*¹⁷

- Hydro-zirconation of alkene allows preparation of a variety of previously inaccessible nucleophiles.

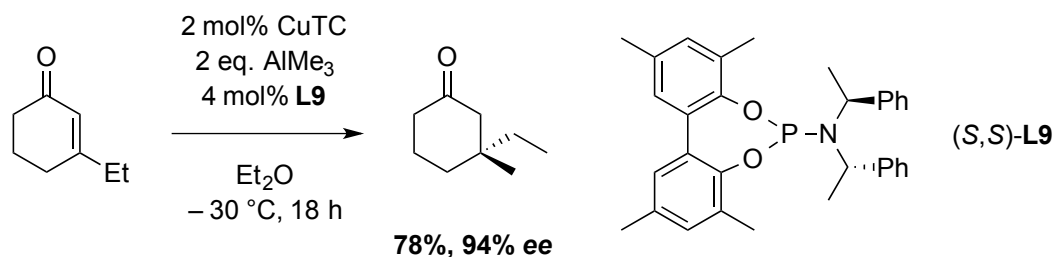


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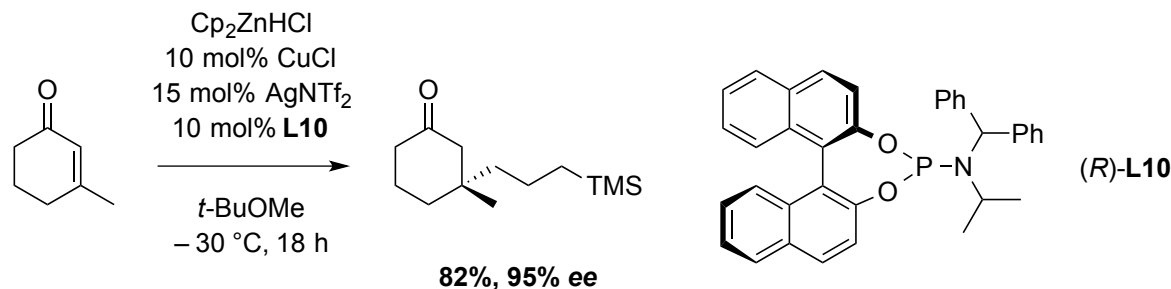
Application – 1,4-Addition of organometallic nucleophiles

Generation of chiral all-carbon-quarternary centres

- Alexakis *et al.* addressed the issue of sterically encumbered Michael acceptors with stronger lewis acids.¹⁸



- The Fletcher group applied their hydro-metallation approach to broaden the scope of available substituents.¹⁹



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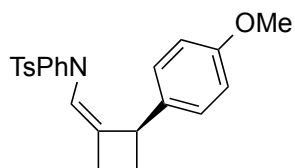
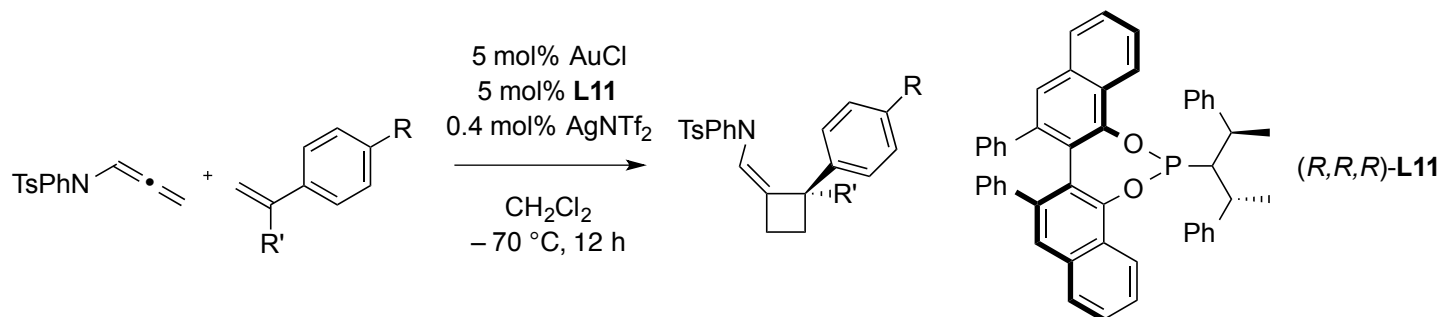
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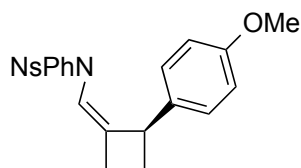
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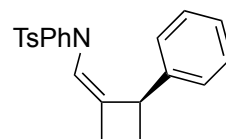
Gold-catalyzed intermolecular [2+2] cycloaddition²⁰



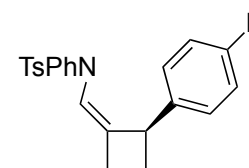
99%, 84% ee



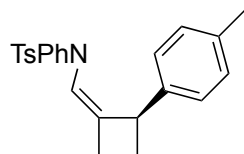
77%, 95% ee



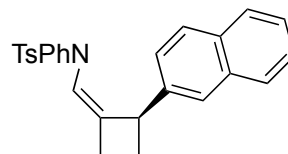
69%, 86% ee



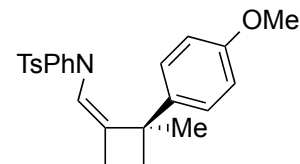
79%, 87% ee



95%, 72% ee



52%, 90% ee



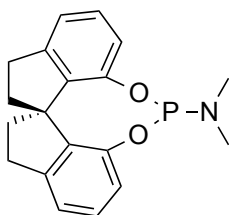
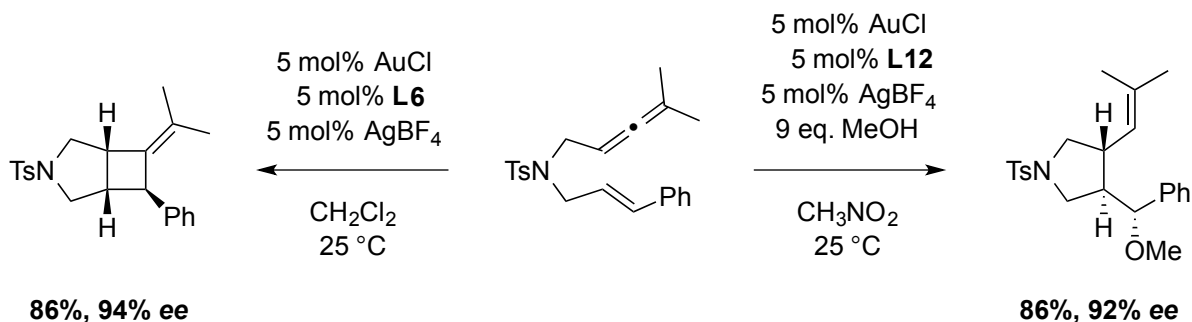
78%, 90% ee

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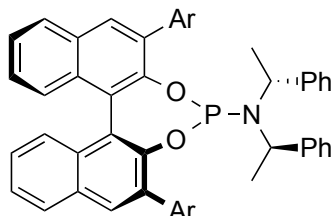
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Gold-catalyzed intramolecular [2+2] cycloaddition²¹

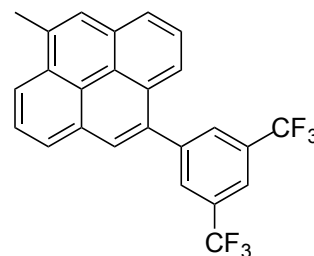
- Formation of 3,4-substituted pyrrolidines from allenenes – synthesis of Natural Product.
- Choice of ligand and nucleophile favours formation of either *cis*- or *trans*-substituted products.



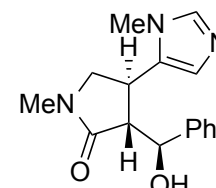
(*R*)-**L6**



(*S,S,S*)-**L12**



Ar



(-)-isocynometrine

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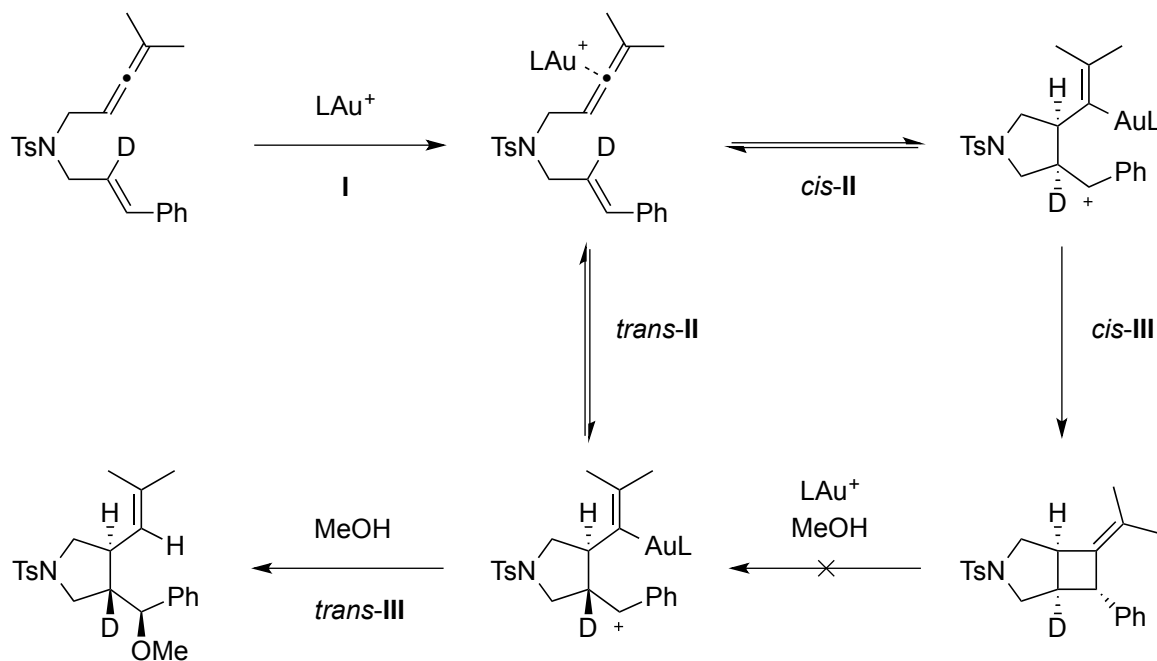
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Gold-catalyzed intramolecular [2+2] cycloaddition²¹

I – Coordination of chiral Gold complex to allene moiety.

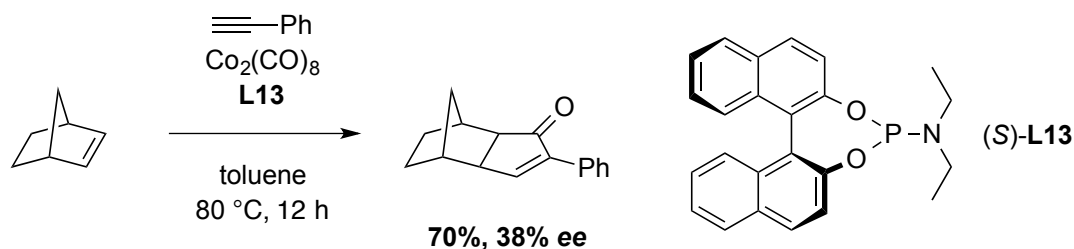
II – Reversible *cis*- or *trans*-insertion of alkene into activated allene – SD.

III – Nucleophilic trapping of carbocation with intramolecular migration or exogenous nucleophile – SD.



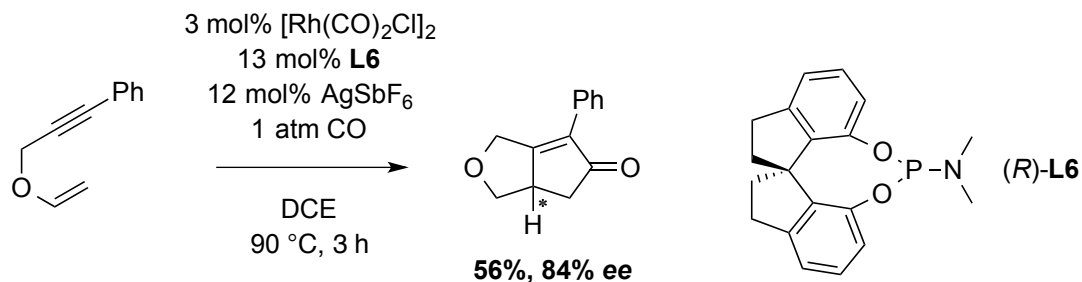
Cobalt-mediated intermolecular [2+2+1] Pauson-Khand cycloaddition²²

- First use of phosphoramidite ligands in intermolecular cycloaddition, reaction of alkyne and norbornene.



Rhodium-catalyzed intramolecular [2+2+1] Pauson-Khand cycloaddition²³

- Formation of bicyclic products from 1,6-enynes under carbon monoxide atmosphere.

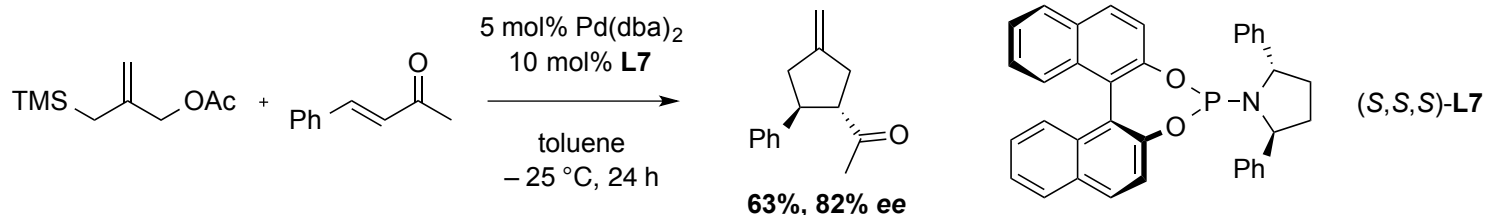


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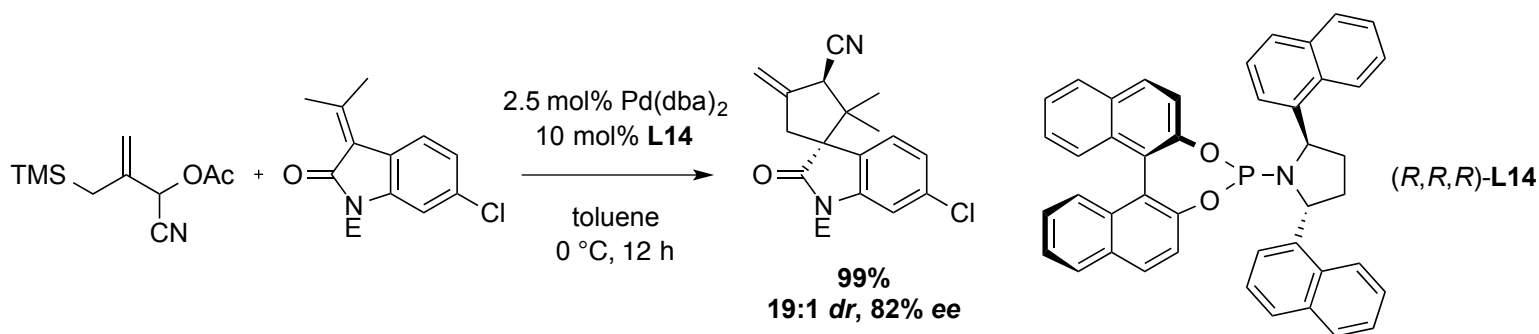
Application – Cycloaddition reactions

Palladium-catalyzed intermolecular [3+2] cycloaddition – Trost *et al.*²⁴

- Cycloaddition of trimethylene unit, a useful transformation to provide 5-membered carbocycles.²⁵



- Modification of ligand substituent allows application to oxindoles in the generation of spirocycles.²⁶



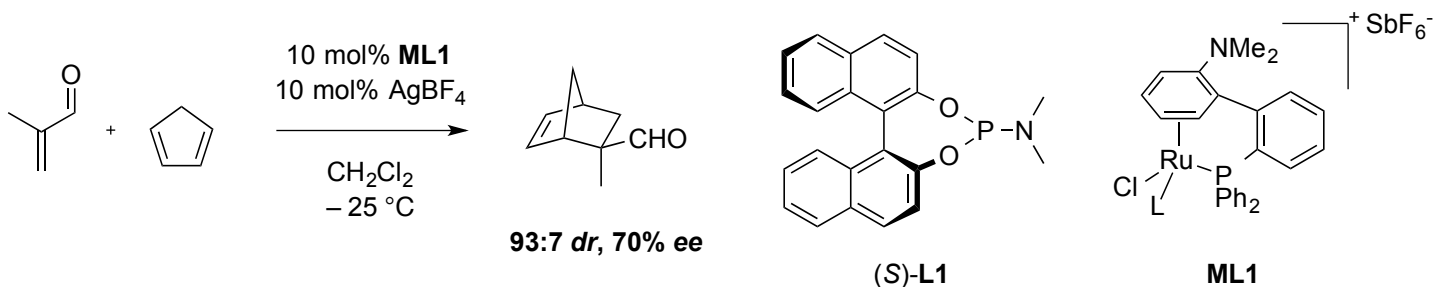
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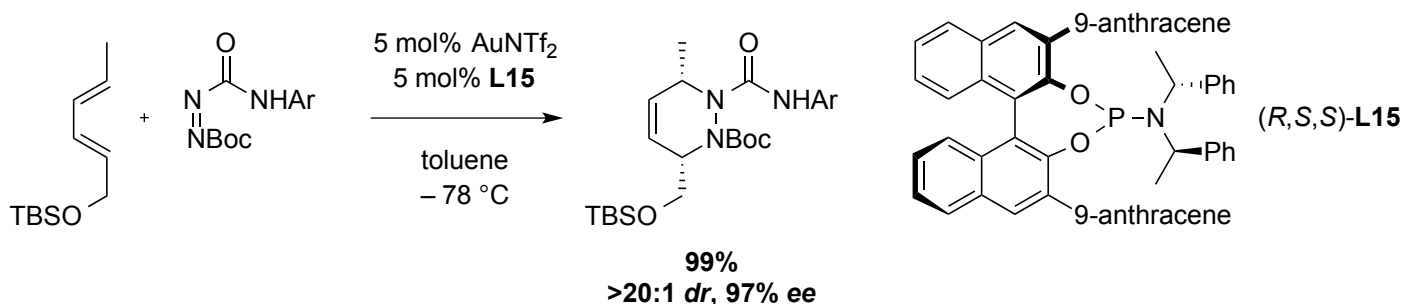
Ruthenium-catalyzed intermolecular [4+2] Diels-Alder cycloaddition²⁷

- Preformed chiral Ru complex acts as a Lewis acid, high regioselectivity and moderate enantioselectivity.



Gold-catalyzed intermolecular [4+2] azo hetero-Diels-Alder²⁸

- Diazeno dienophiles provide multifunctional heterocycles – Natural Products.

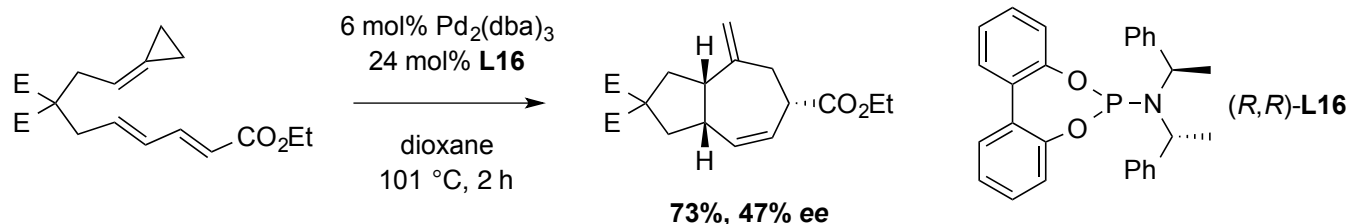


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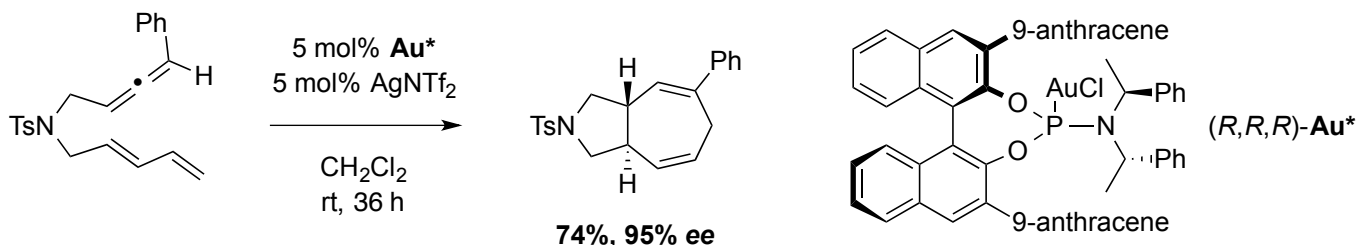
Palladium-catalyzed intramolecular [4+3] cycloaddition²⁹

- First example of metal-catalyzed intramolecular [4+3], diene-tethered alkylidenecyclopropanes.



Gold-catalyzed intramolecular [4+3] cycloaddition³⁰

- Highly diastereo- and enantioselective cycloaddition of allenedienes.

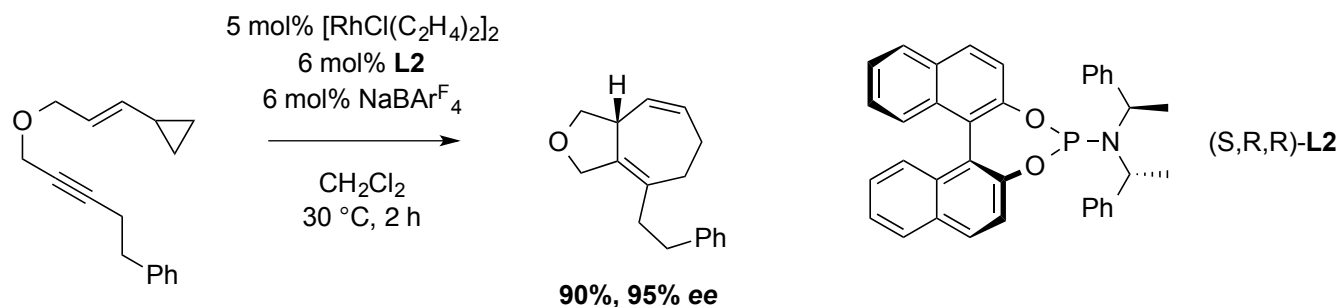


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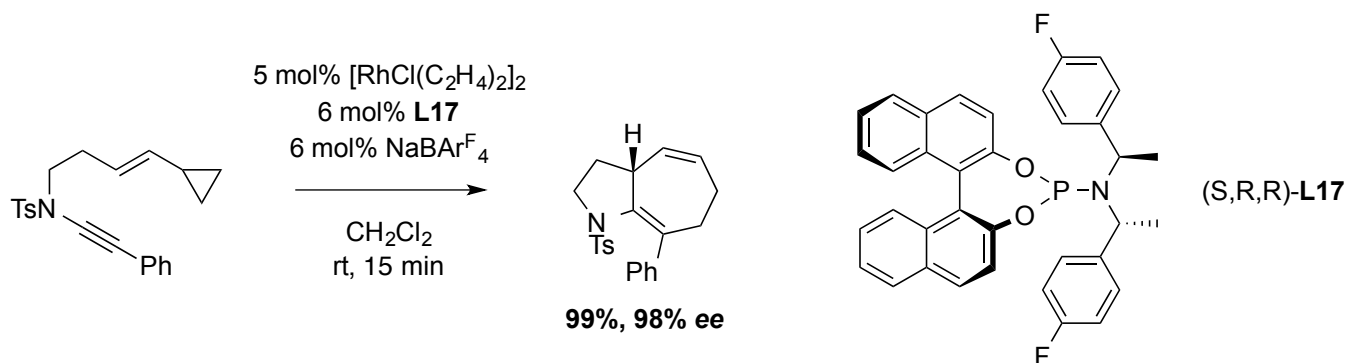
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Rhodium-catalyzed intramolecular [5+2] cycloaddition

- Reaction of alkyne-tethered vinylcyclopropanes gave bicyclic products with high enantioselectivity.³¹



- Reaction of ynamide-vinylcyclopropanes, improved rate of reaction with Fluoride-substituted ligand.³²

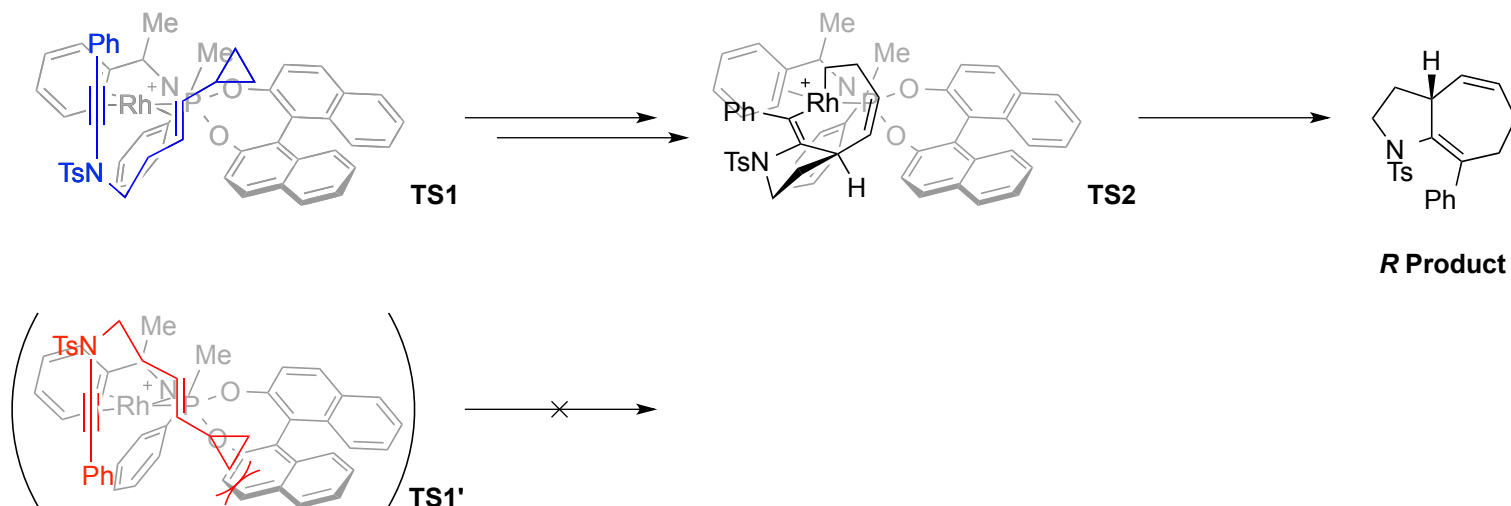


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Rhodium-catalyzed intramolecular [5+2] cycloaddition³¹

- Unfavourable interaction of substrate cyclopropane moiety with ligand BINOL backbone in TS1'.
- Coordination of Rh to substrate in TS1 is followed by oxidative cyclopropane cleavage and insertion of alkyne to give the metallocycle in TS2.
- Reductive elimination gives the *R* product.

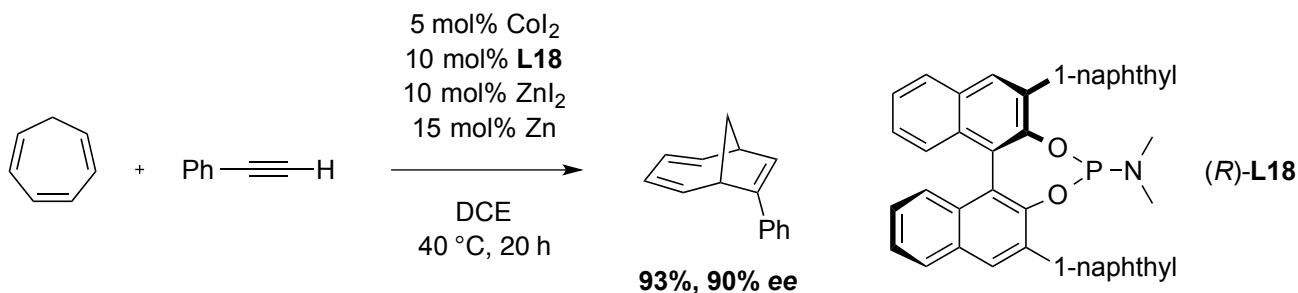


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Application – Cycloaddition reactions

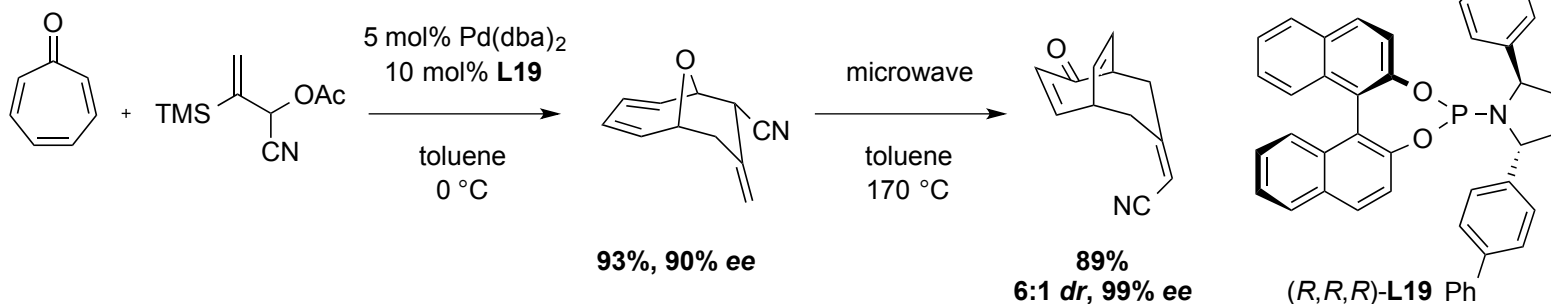
Cobalt-catalyzed intermolecular [6+2] cycloaddition³³

- Formation of bicyclo[4.2.1]nonatrienes, confirmed by vibrational circular dichroism (VCD) experiments.



Palladium-catalyzed intermolecular [6+3] cycloaddition³⁴

- Reaction of trimethylenemethane with tropones to give bicyclo[4.3.1] and [3.3.2]decadienes.



Miscellaneous Reactions

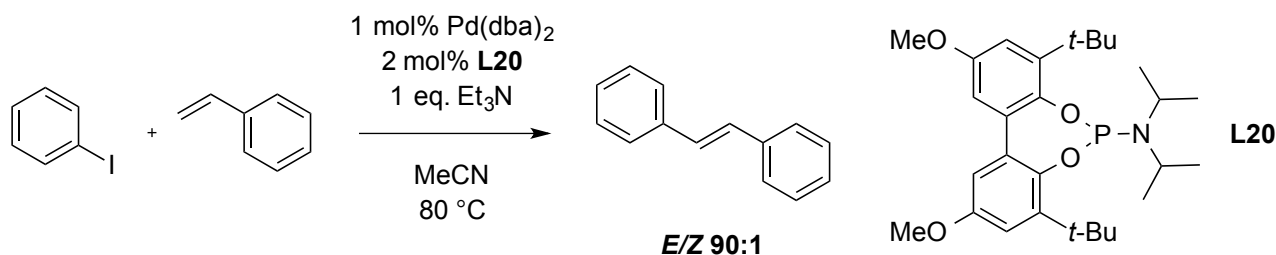
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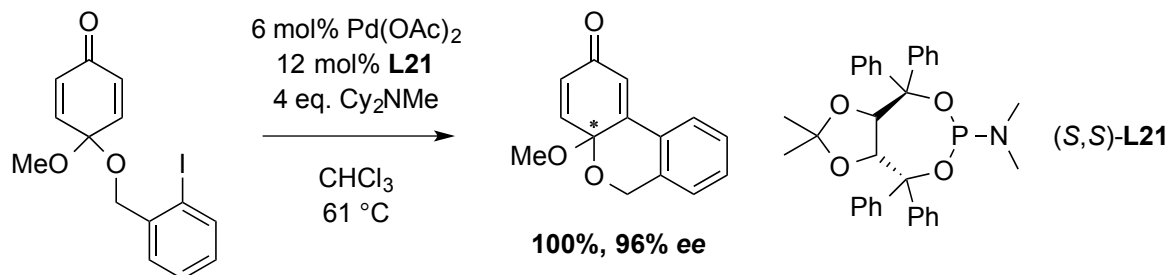


Palladium-catalyzed Heck reactions

- Highly *E* selective arylation of styrene, with only trace amounts of diphenylethylene observed.³⁵



- Asymmetric intramolecular cross-coupling reaction using TADDOL-derivative phosphoramidites.³⁶

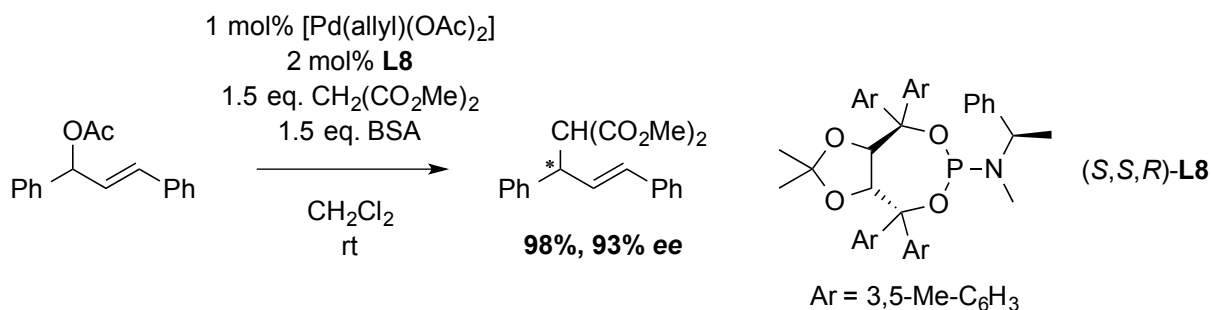


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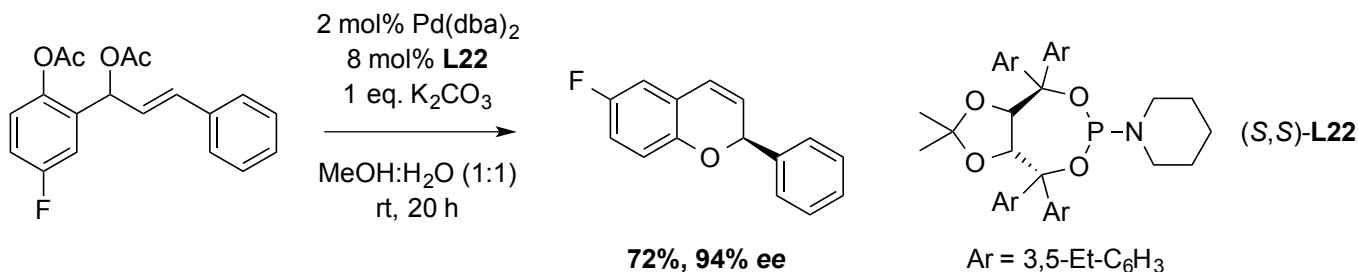
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Palladium-catalyzed allylic substitution reactions

- Asymmetric allylic alkylation (AAA) reaction using TADDOL-phosphoramidites.³⁷

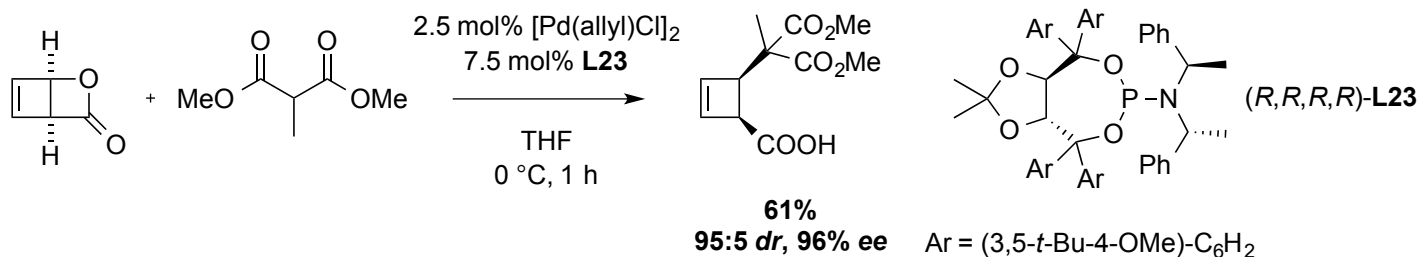


- Synthesis of biologically active chromenes *via* 6-*endo*-trig cyclization reaction.³⁸

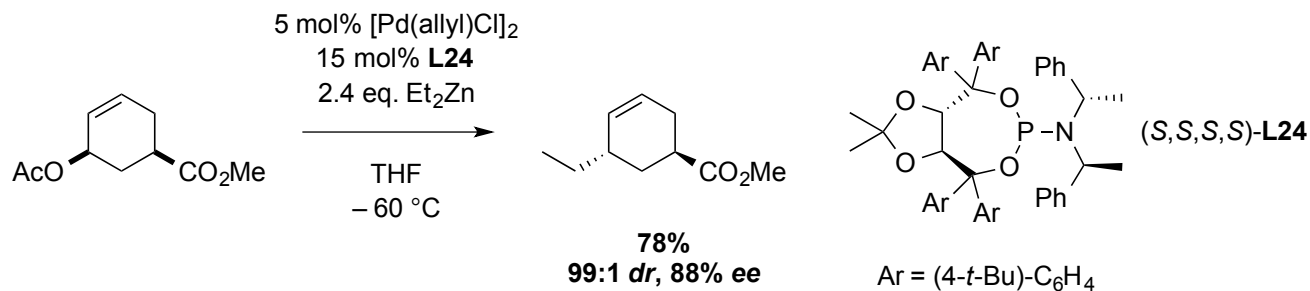


Palladium-catalyzed deracemization reactions

- Asymmetric allylic alkylation (AAA) reaction of strained lactones.³⁹



- Overriding natural “umpolung” chemistry with unusual ligand effect.⁴⁰

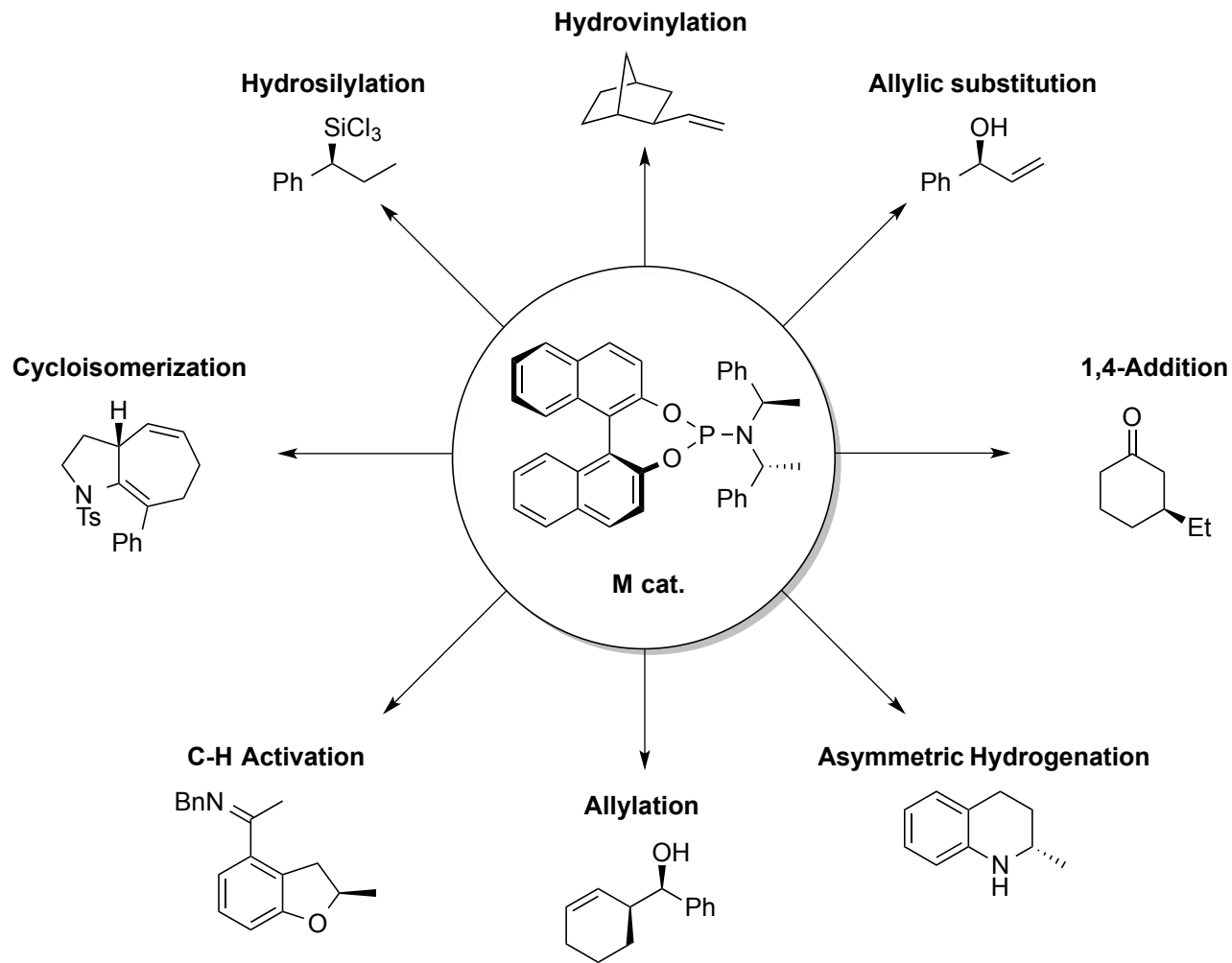


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