

Chem 41c Final Exam

Stoltz, Spring 2009, June 8, 2009

The exam begins when you turn to page 2. You have 4 hours to complete the exam. This is a closed note and closed book exam with no collaboration. You may use the periodic table on the last page of this packet. You may not use any other materials. The exam has a total of 170 points and counts for 40% of your course grade. Good luck.

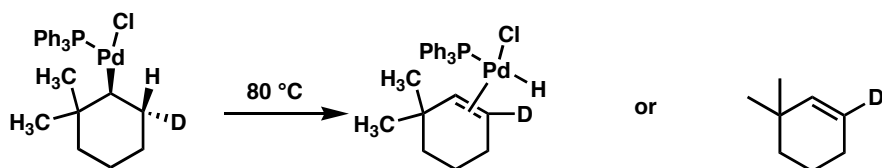
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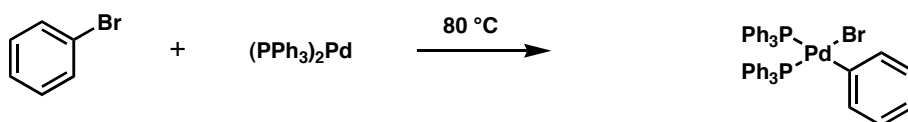
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1. Predict the major non-volatile products (if any) of the following reactions or sequences. Clearly mark your answers by placing a **box** around the compound that you believe to be the major product. (5 points each).

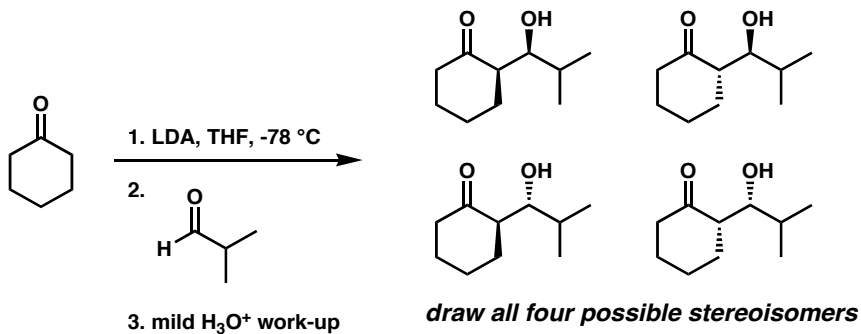
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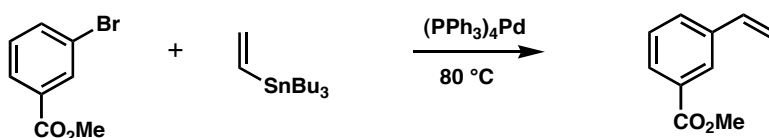
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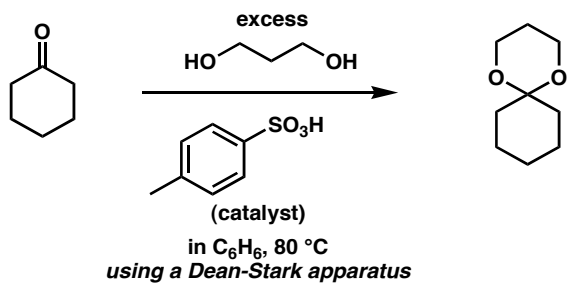
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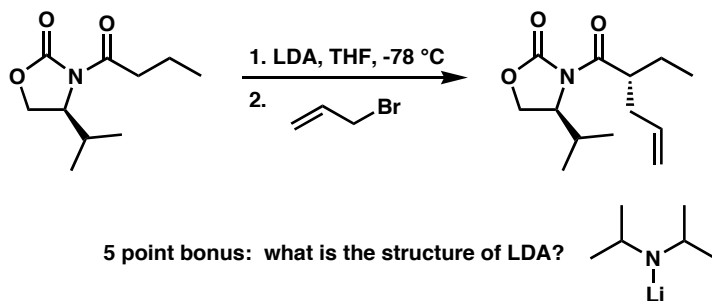
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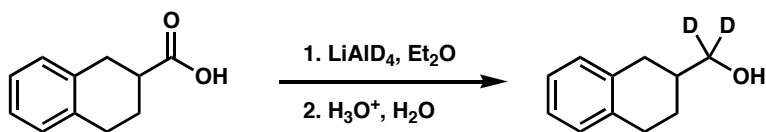
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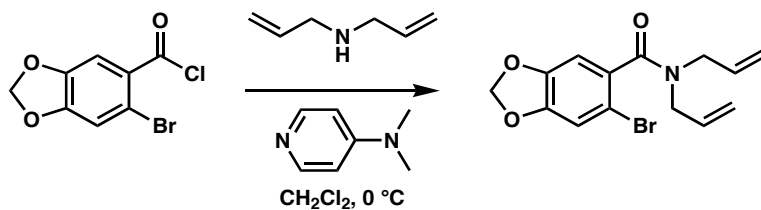
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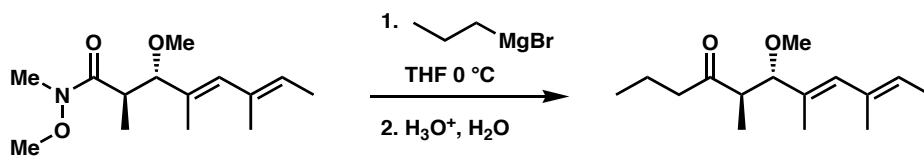
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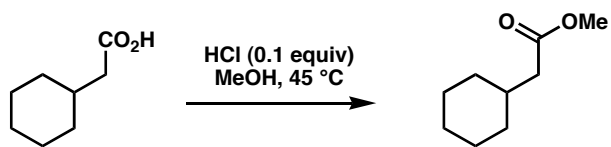
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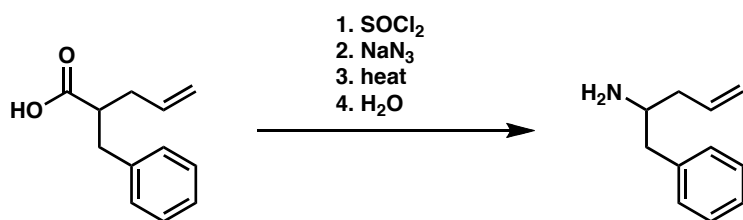


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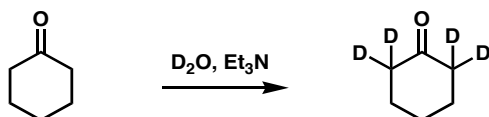


2. Provide reagents for the following transformations. They may be multistep processes, but should not be longer than 5 steps. (5 points each)

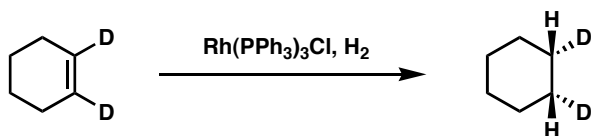
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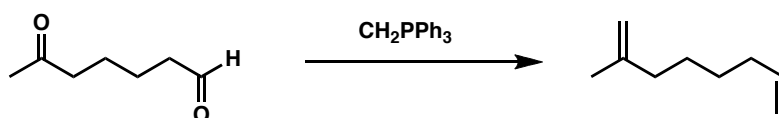
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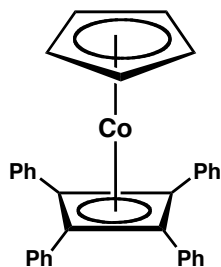


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3. In the following complexes, what is the formal oxidation state of the metal, the d^n description, and the electron count? Feel free to use the periodic table in the room (5 points each-no partial credit)

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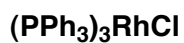


Co(I)
or
Co¹⁺

d^8

18 electron complex

b.



Rh(I)

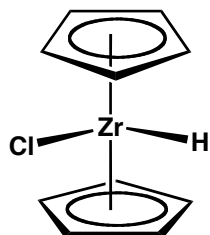
or

Rh¹⁺

d^8

16 electron complex

c.

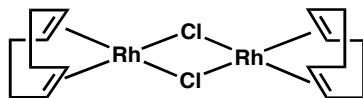


Zr(IV)
or
Zr⁴⁺

d^0

16 electron complex

d.

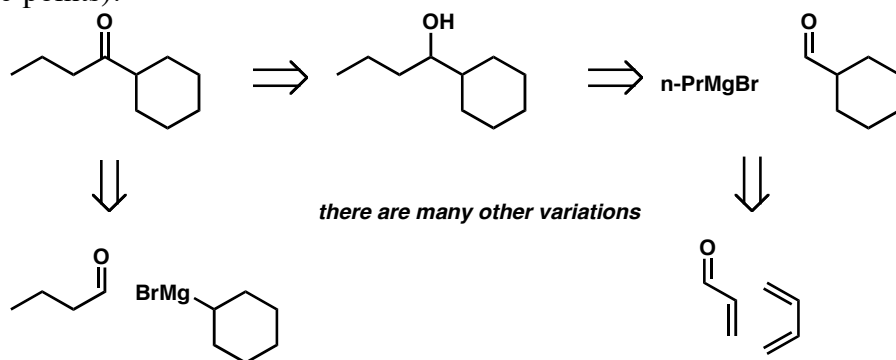


Rh(I)
or
Rh⁺¹

d^8

16 electron each Rh

4. Draw two distinct retrosyntheses for the following molecule going back to starting materials of 6 carbons or less (10 points).



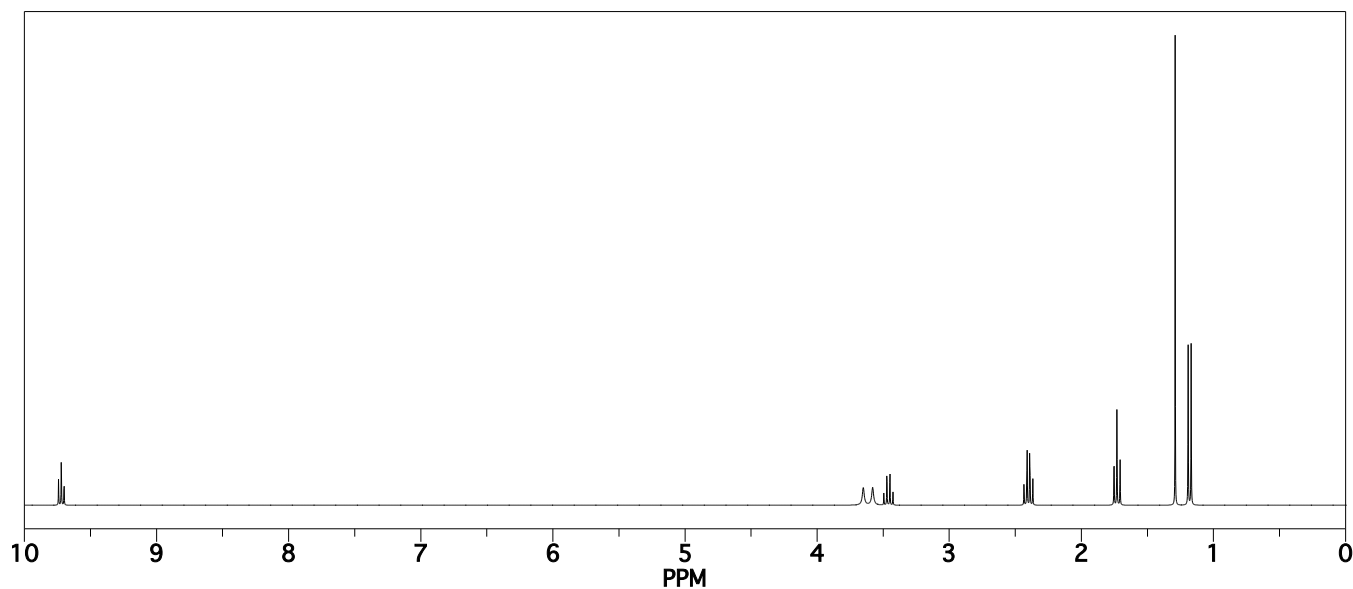
Show the forward reactions needed to accomplish one of your designed routes above (10 points).

5. Treatment of olefinic aldehyde **1** with OsO_4 produced an intermediate **A**. Upon treatment with a simple reagent set, **A** is converted to **B**. Selected ^1H NMR data for **A** is provided. Predict the structure of **A** (mindful of stereochemistry), and provide reagents with a plausible mechanism for the conversion of **A** to **B**. (10 points)

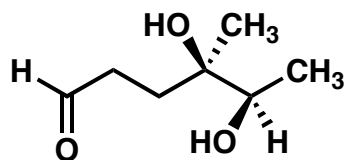


^1H NMR spectrum of **A**

a δ 9.72 (t, 1H)	d δ 1.73 (t, 2H)
b δ 3.46 (q, 1H)	e δ 1.29 (s, 3H)
c δ 2.40 (dt, 2H)	f δ 1.18 (d, 3H)



-structure of **A**:



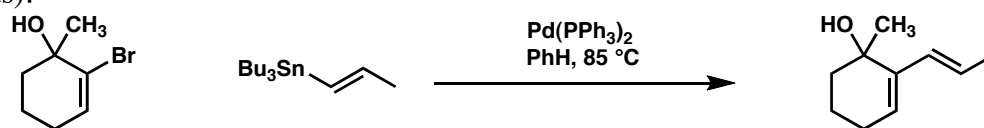
-Reagents to convert **A** to **B**:

H⁺, H₂O

-Mechanism for the conversion of **A** to **B**:

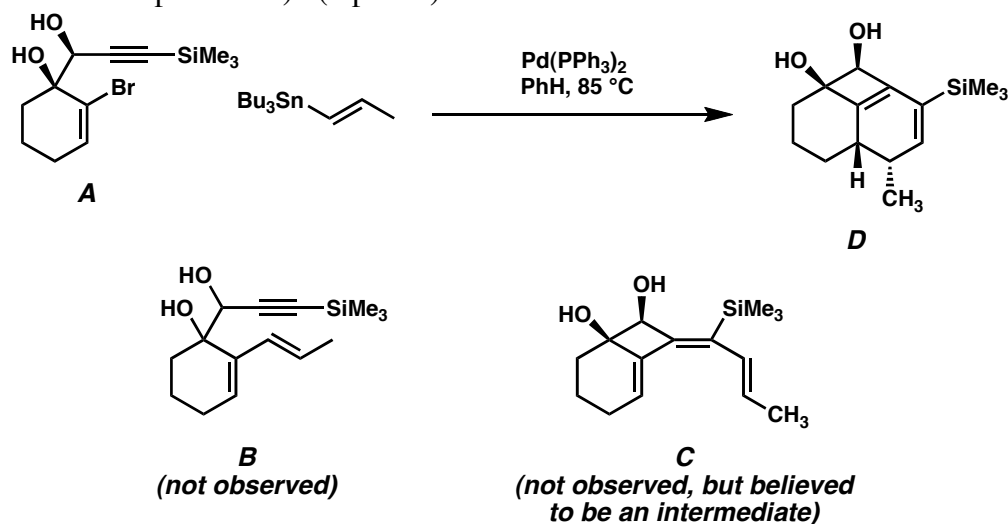
acetal formation mechanism

6. a) The following palladium-catalyzed reaction was reported in the literature. Draw a mechanism for the process and clearly label all elementary steps (i.e., reductive elimination, oxidative addition, insertion, etc.) (10 points).



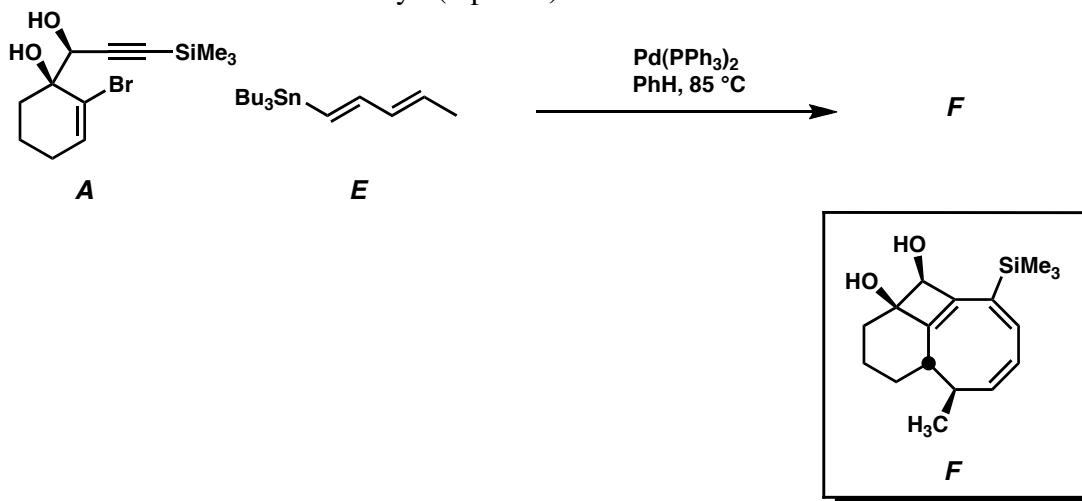
Answer: Oxidative addition, transmetallation, reductive elimination

b) Interestingly, it was found that treatment of related bromide **A** produced none of the expected **B**, but compound **D** instead. This compound is believed to arise from intermediate **C**, although **C** was not observed directly either. Provide a mechanistic rationale for the formation of **C** and **D** (hint: the final step (**C**→**D**) does not involve palladium). (5 points)

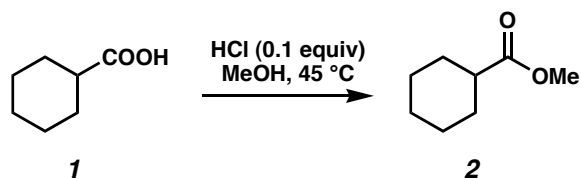


Answer: Oxidative addition, olefin insertion, transmetalation, reductive elimination, 6π -electrocyclization (disrotatory)

c) Furthermore, when dieny l stanane **E** was used in the coupling, a product **F** was formed. Predict the structure of **F** and include stereochemistry. (5 points)

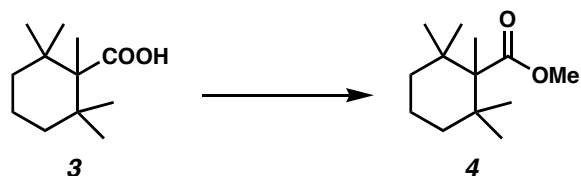


7. a) Provide a detailed curved arrow mechanism for the following reaction. What drives the equilibrium to the product side? (5 points)



Answer: Fischer esterification mechanism.

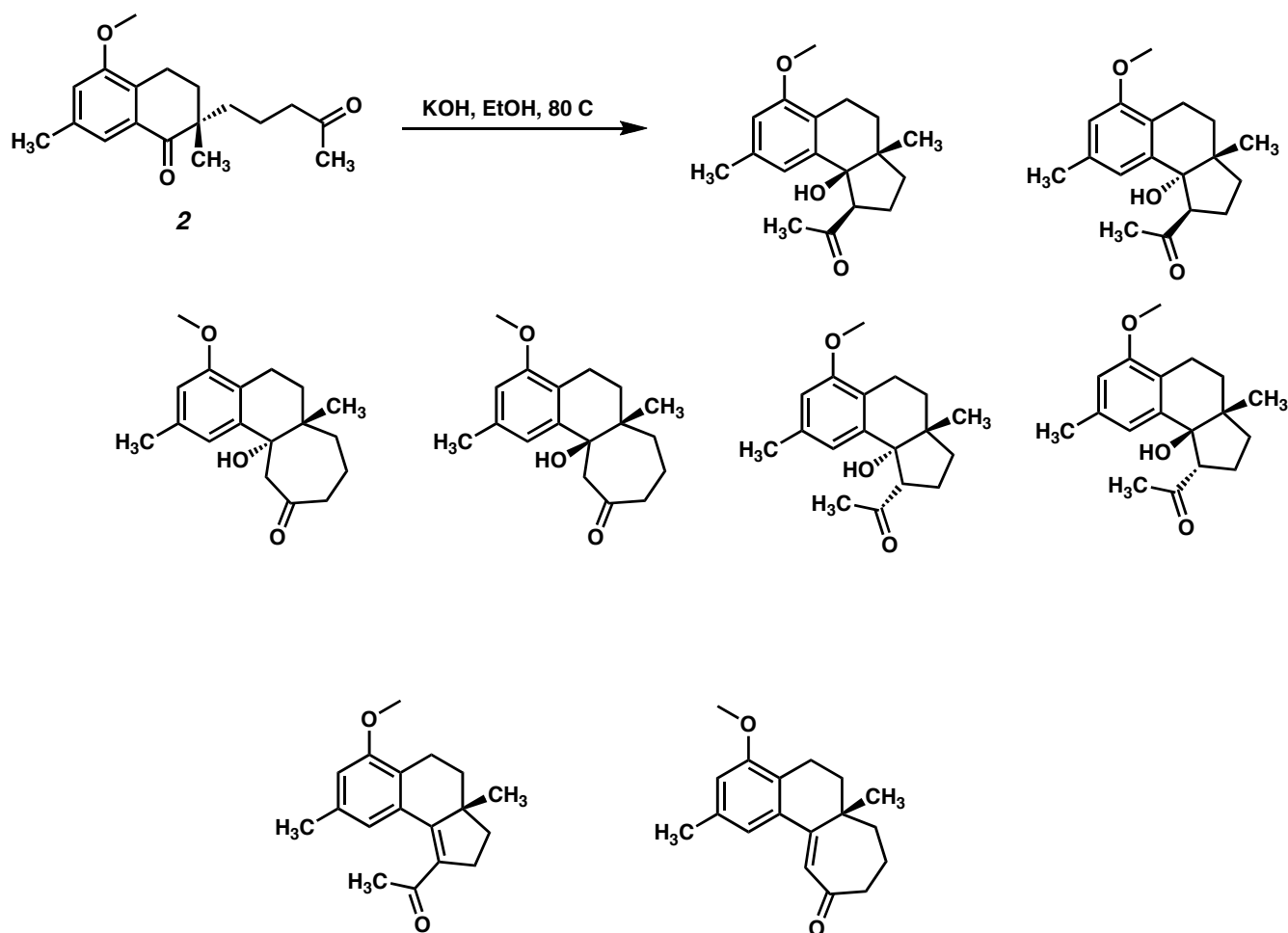
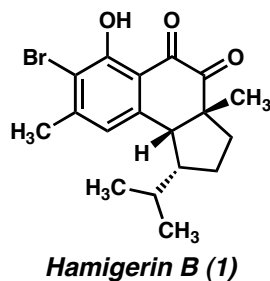
b) In contrast to part a of this problem, under the same conditions the following reaction (**3**→**4**) is extremely slow. Why do you think this is the case? Provide an alternative method for preparing the methyl ester **4** from carboxylic acid **3** that you believe would be fast and high yielding. Provide a detailed curved arrow mechanism for your new synthesis of **4** from **3** and explain why the new method should be better. (5 points)



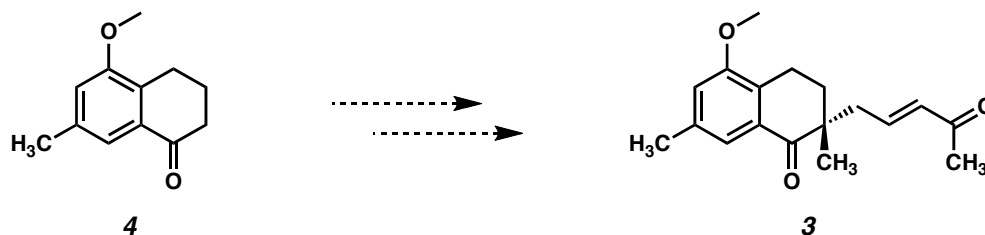
Answer: Diazomethane or base + MeI. Both use the carboxylate as a nucleophile and don't require attack at the carbonyl carbon.

8. Your friend Herschel is desperately trying to finish his research project before graduating (the synthesis of the natural product Hamigeran B (**1**)). He is nearly there, but a problematic and surprising outcome of an aldol addition reaction is causing problems.

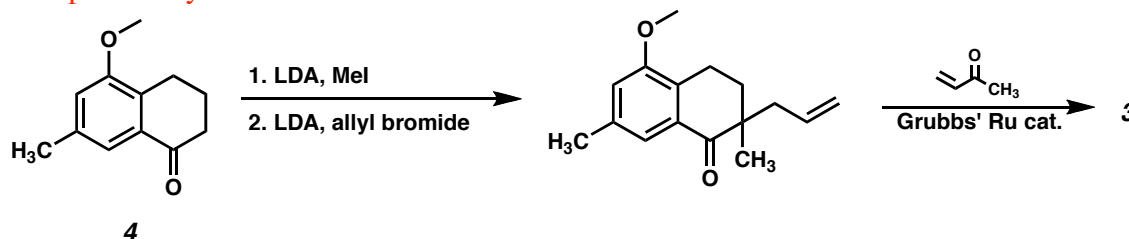
a. Draw the possible outcomes of the intramolecular aldol reaction of diketone **2** (hint, there are 6 possible aldol addition products, and 2 aldol condensation products—draw all 8 of them). (10 points)



b. Unfortunately, Herschel keeps isolating the unwanted 7-membered ring products. He concludes that the problem is selective enolization and decides to treat the precursor to **2**, enone **3**, with a CuH reagent. This reagent saves the day and produces the desired product, albeit in low yield. Since he is running low on compound **3**, Herschel asks you to lend a hand by making more. Unfortunately, Herschel is away at Senior Week. He did leave the starting material, ketone **4**, but no instructions. Provide a detailed synthetic plan for producing more of enone **3** so that Herschel can finish his project before commencement on Friday! (10 points)



One possibility:



Bonus: Provide a mechanistic rationale for how the CuH reagent produced the desired outcome (5 points).

GROUP

1

IA

PERIOD

1

1

1.0079

H

HYDROGEN

2

IIA

2

3

6.941

Li

LITHIUM

4

9.0122

Be

BERYLLIUM

11

22.990

Na

SODIUM

12

24.305

Mg

MAGNESIUM

19

39.098

K

POTASSIUM

20

40.078

Ca

CALCIUM

37

85.468

Rb

RUBIDIUM

38

87.62

Sr

STRONTIUM

55

132.91

Cs

CAESIUM

56

137.33

Ba

BARIUM

87

(223)

Fr

FRANCIUM

88

(226)

Ra

RADIUM

89-103

Ac-Lr

Actinide

104

(261)

Rf

RUTHERFORDIUM

105

(262)

Db

DUBNIUM

106

(266)

Sg

SEABORGIUM

107

(264)

Bh

BOHRIUM

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(277)

Hs

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(289)

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C

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(209)

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Rn

RADON

GROUP NUMBERS
IUPAC RECOMMENDATION
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CHEMICAL ABSTRACT SERVICE
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ATOMIC NUMBER

RELATIVE ATOMIC MASS (1)

SYMBOL

ELEMENT NAME

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5

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B

BORON

PERIODIC TABLE OF THE ELEMENTS

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(1) Pure Appl. Chem., 73, No. 4, 667-693 (2001)

Relative atomic mass is shown with five significant figures. For elements having no stable nuclides, the value enclosed in brackets indicates the mass number of the longest-lived isotope of the element.

However three such elements (Th, Pa, and U) do have a characteristic terrestrial isotopic composition, and for these an atomic weight is tabulated.

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LANTHANIDE

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