

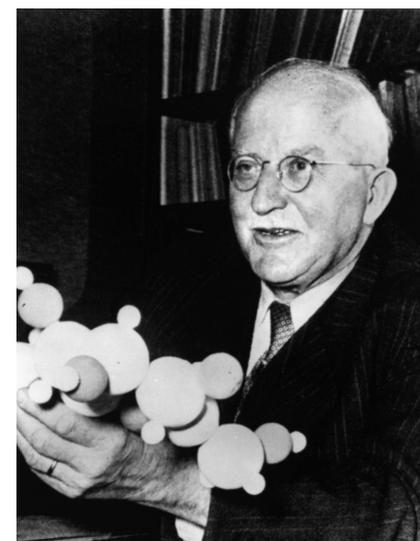
Herrmann Staudinger: From Organic to Macromolecular Chemistry

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$$\frac{\eta_{\text{sp}}}{c} = K_m \cdot M$$



International Historic Landmark of Chemistry



Origin of Polymeric Sciences

review: Mühlhaupt, R. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2004**, 43, 1054-1063.

Overview

* *March 23, 1881 in Worms*

1903: *PhD from University of Halle*

*malonate addition to
unsaturated compounds*

1903-1907: *Habilitation with J. Thiele at
University of Strasbourg*

ketene chemistry

1907-1912: *Asstistant Professor at
Technical University of Karlsruhe*

*oxalyl chloride,
aliphatic diazo compounds,
carbene reactions,
new organophosphorus compounds,
biofunctional small molecules,
preparation and polymerization of
isoprene and butadiene*

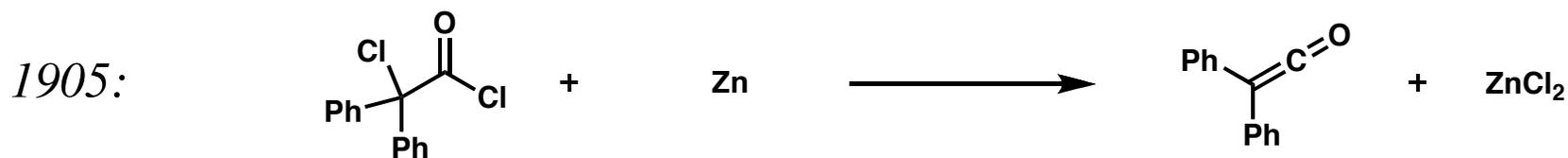
1912-1926: *Professor at ETH Zürich*

1926-1956: *Professor at Albert-Ludwigs-
University, Freiburg*

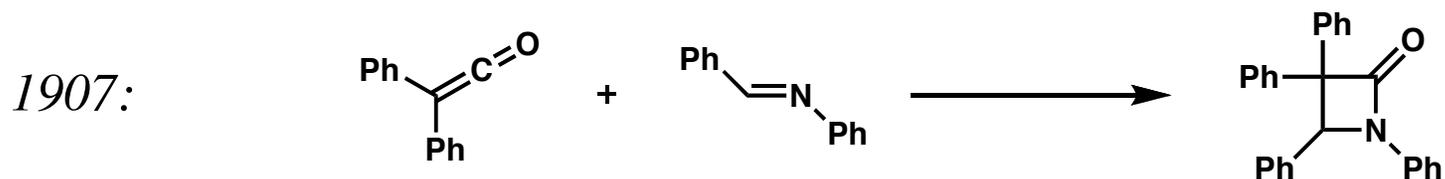
*development of the concept
of macromolecules*

+ *September 8, 1965 in Freiburg*

Ketenes: Isolation and Identification



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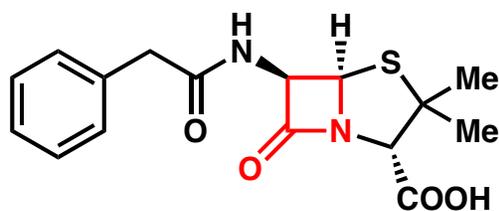
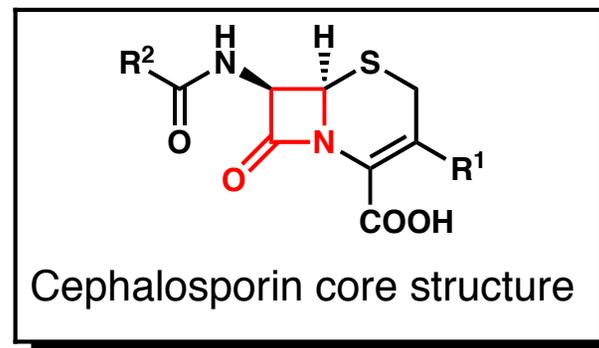
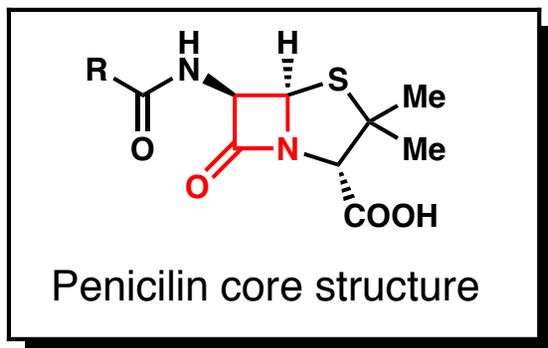


also describes β -lactones and cyclobutanones

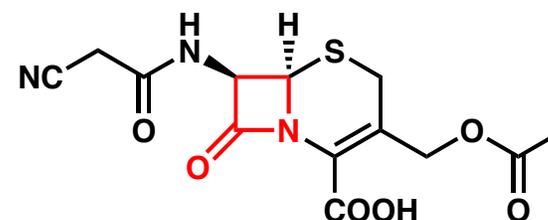
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Ketenes: Importance for β -Lactam Synthesis

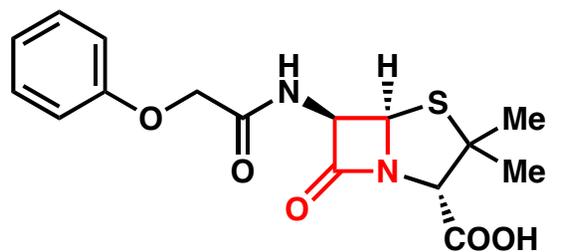
1928: A. Fleming: Discovery of Penicillin



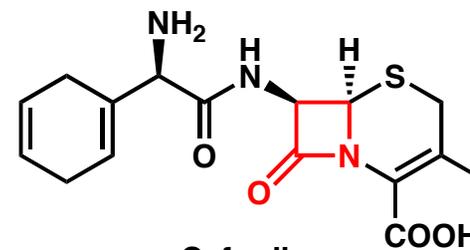
Benzylpenicillin, Penicillin G



Cefacetil



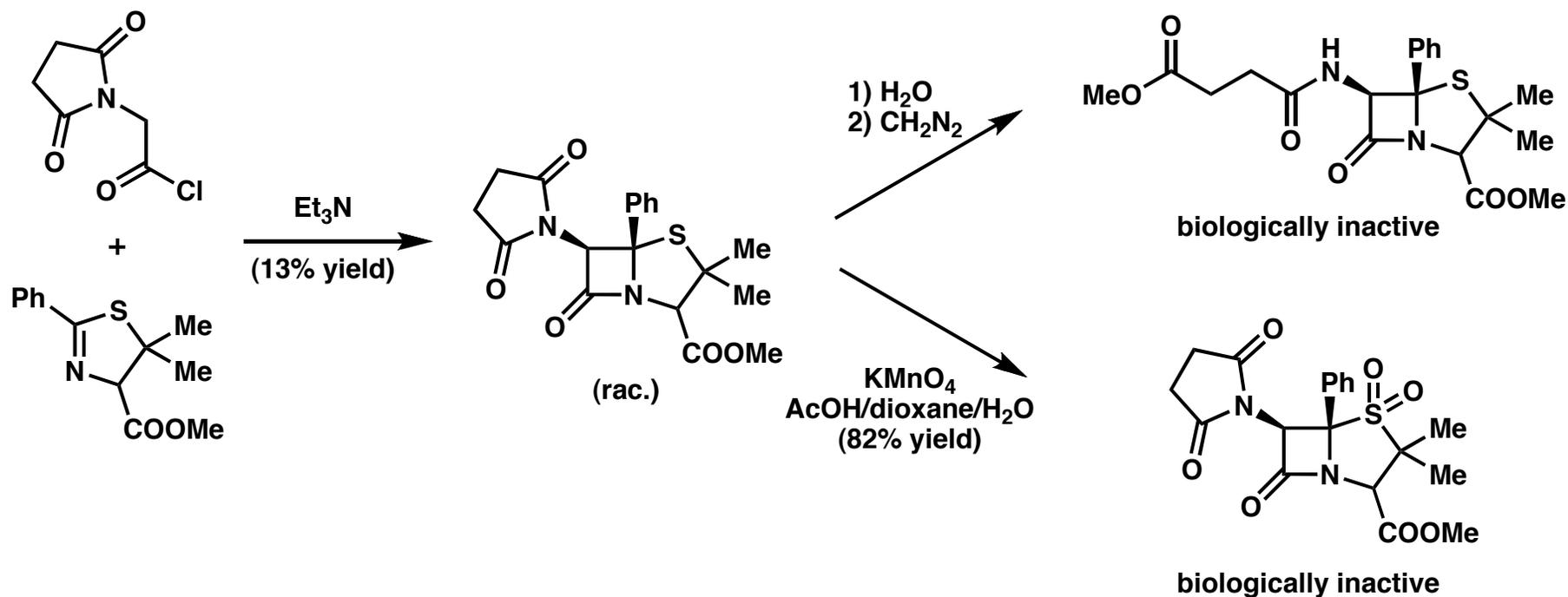
Phenoxymethylpenicillin, Penicillin V



Cefradine

β -Lactams in Total Synthesis

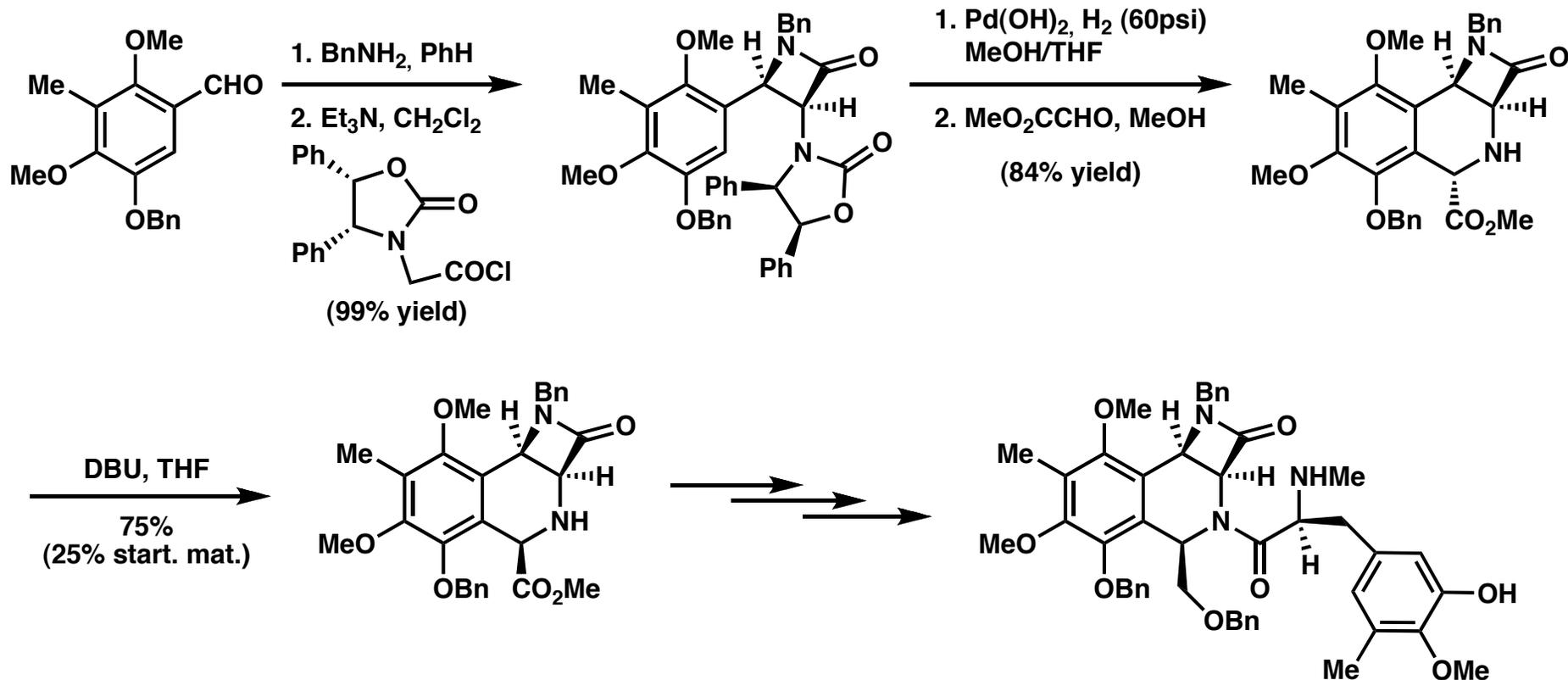
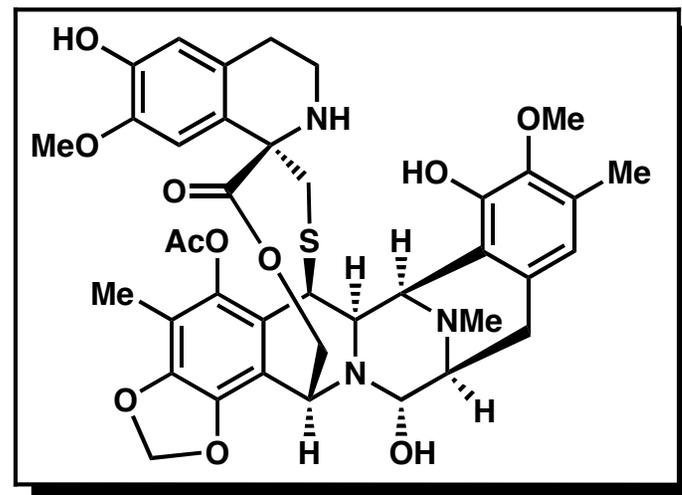
First synthetic penicillin structure



Sheehan, J. C.; Buhle, E. L.; Corey, E. J.; Laubach, G. D.; Ryan, J. J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1950**, *72*, 3828-3829.

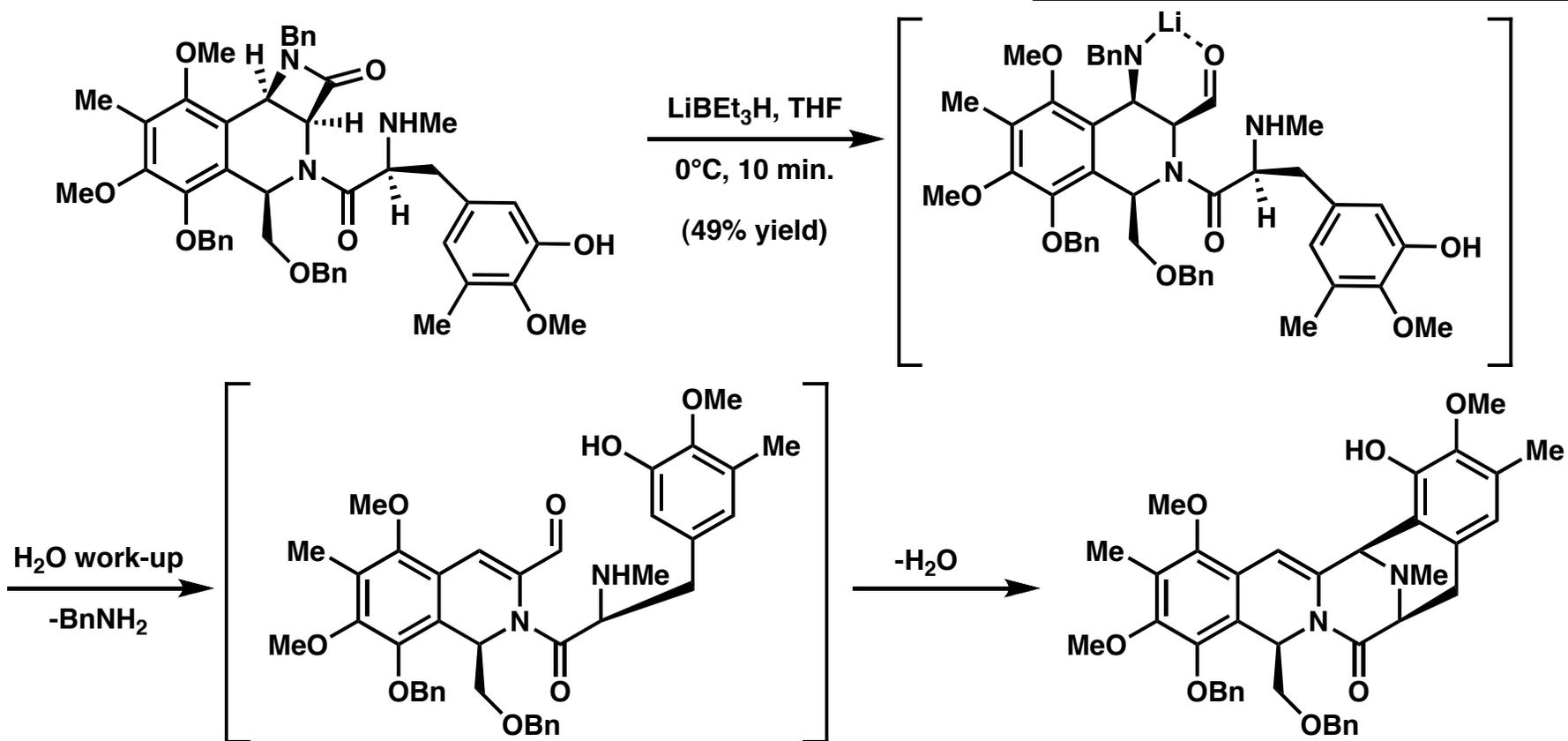
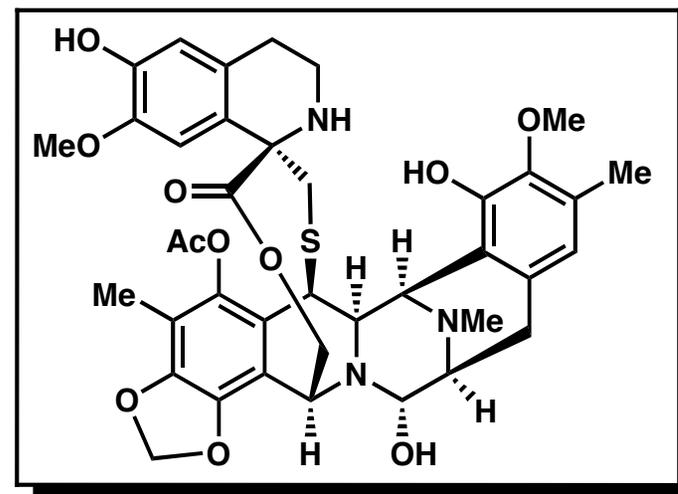
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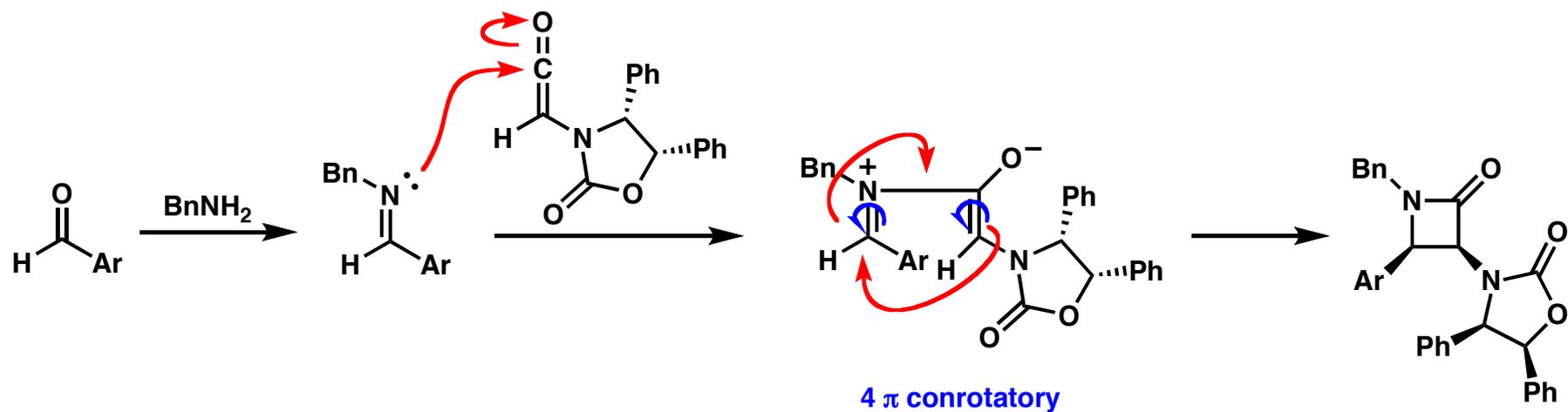
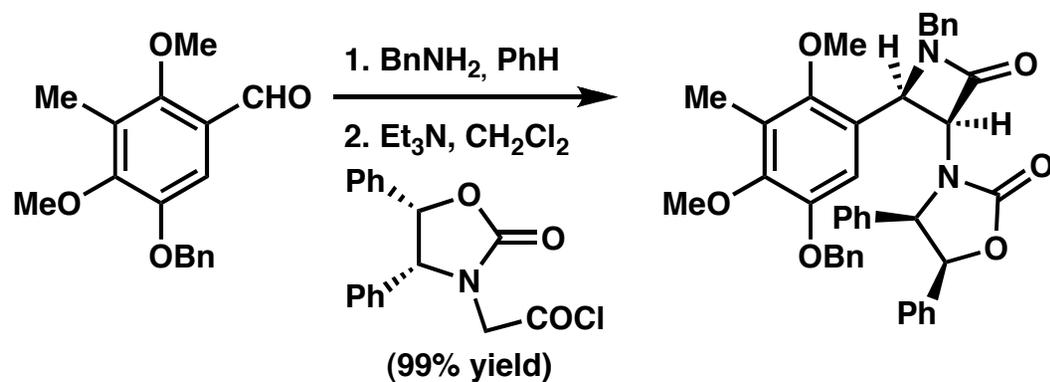
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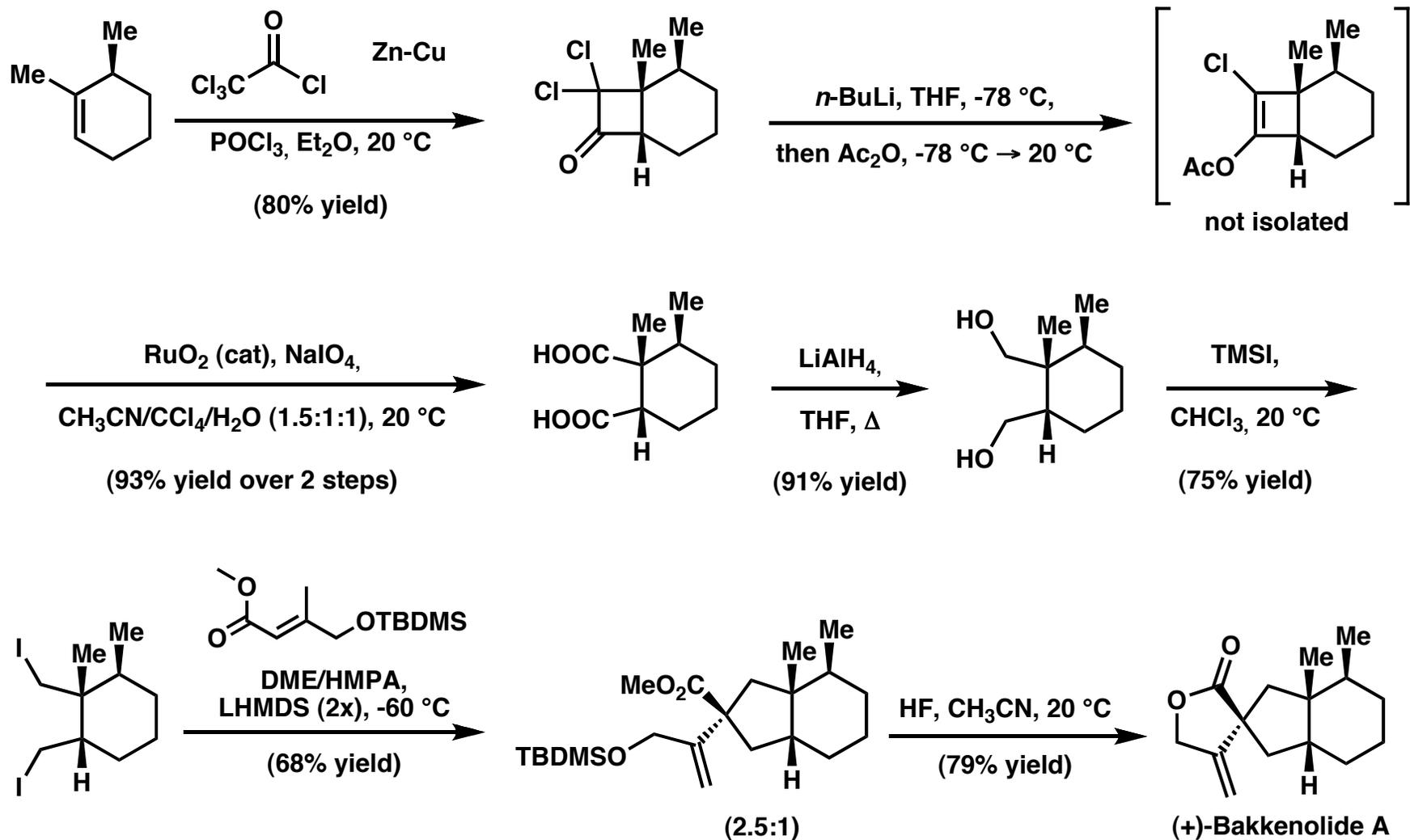
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Synthetic Studies on Ecteinascidin-743 - Origin of Diastereoselectivity



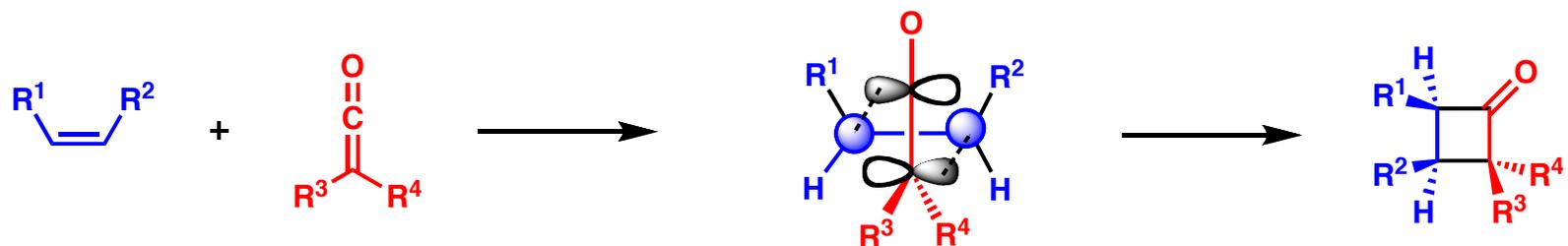
for mechanistic studies: Venturini, A.; González, J. *J. Org. Chem.* **2002**, *67*, 9089-9092.

Cyclobutanones in Total Synthesis



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Reactivity of Ketenes with Alkenes



LUMO of ketene: antarafacial

HOMO of alkene: suprafacial

Huisgen, R.; Mayr, H. *Tet. Lett.*, **1975**, 16, 2969-2972.

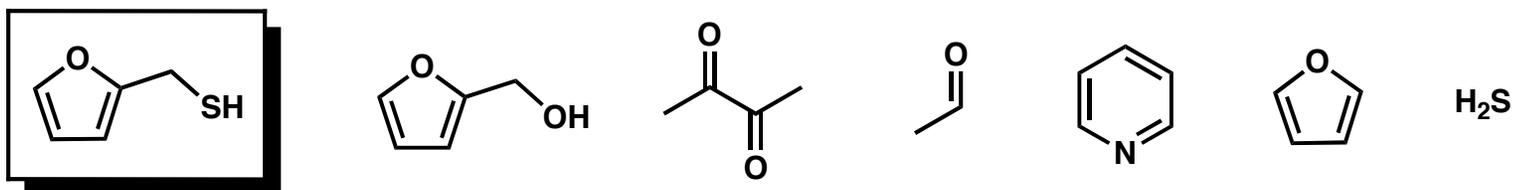
Coffee break?



Isolation of Coffee and Pepper flavors

~1914-1918 due to shortage of coffee during WWI

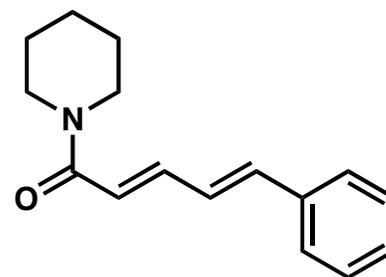
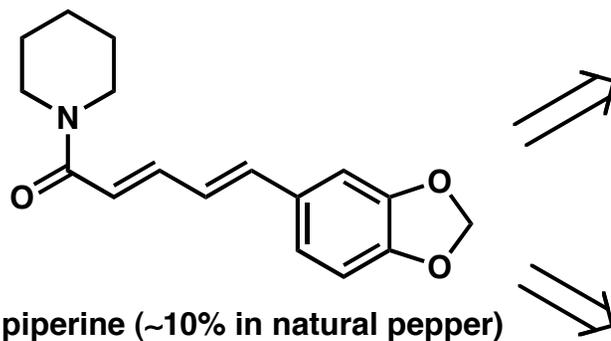
Coffee: Isolation of 70 compounds



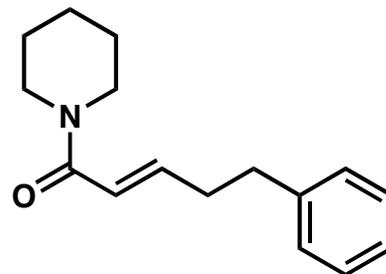
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Pepper: Search for surrogates



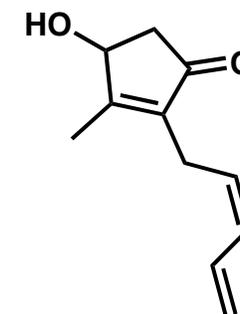
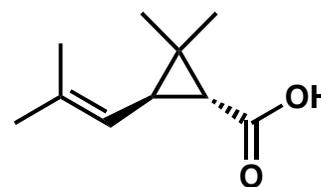
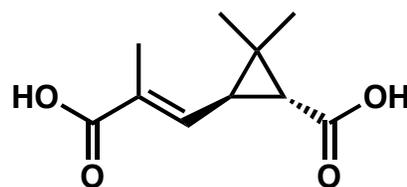
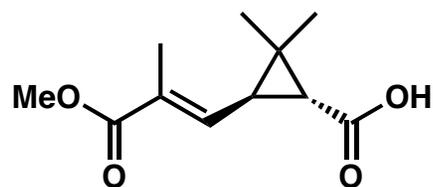
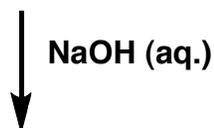
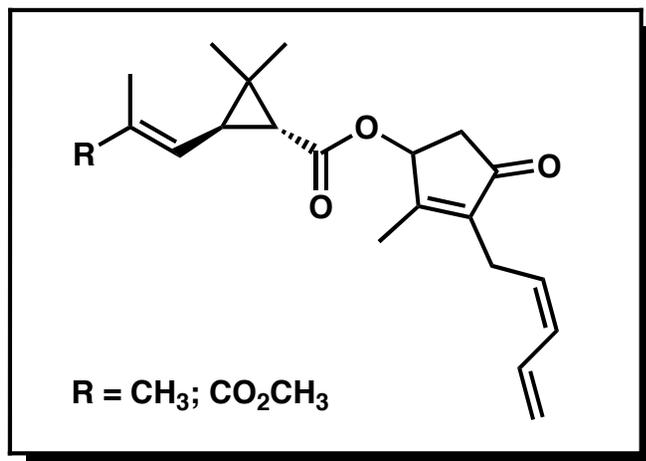
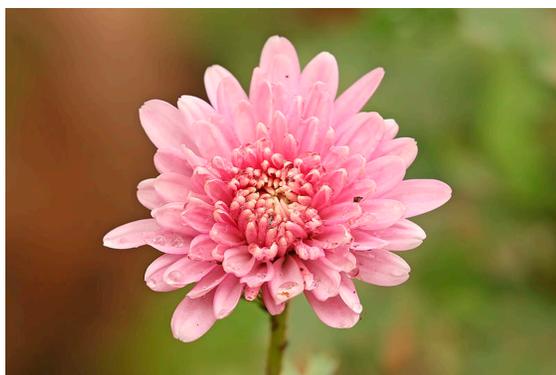
Staudinger's surrogates



a) Staudinger, H.; Schneider, H. *Ber. Dtsch. Chem. Ges.* **1923**, *56*, 699-711.

b) Staudinger, H.; Müller, F.; *Ber. Dtsch. Chem. Ges.* **1923**, *56*, 711-715.

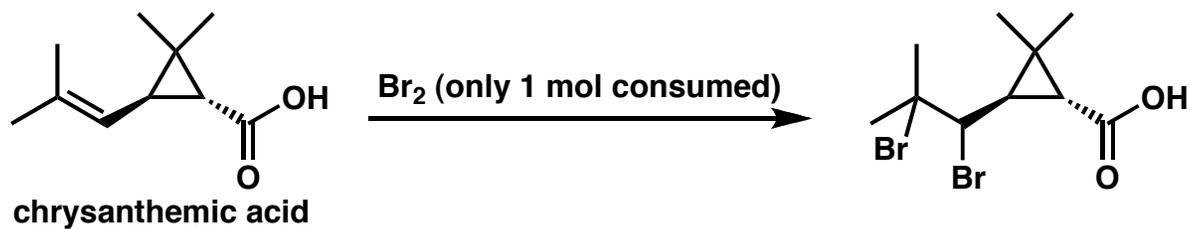
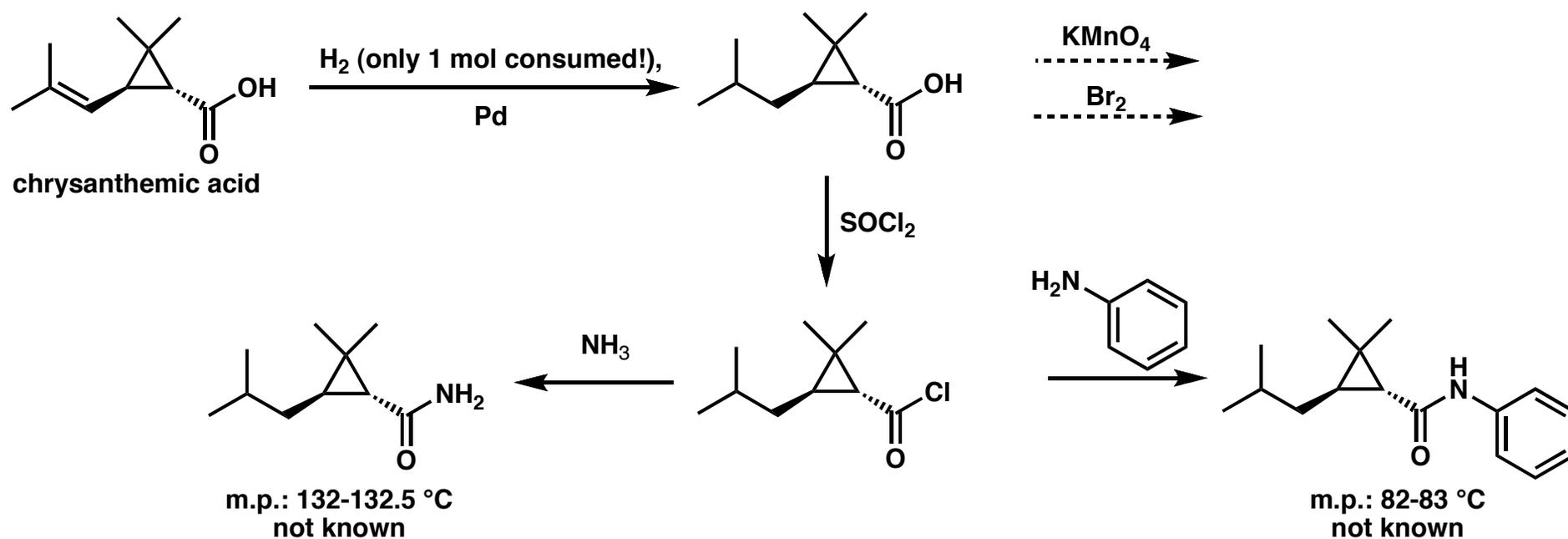
Identification of Pyrethrins as active ingredients of Dalmatian insect-powder



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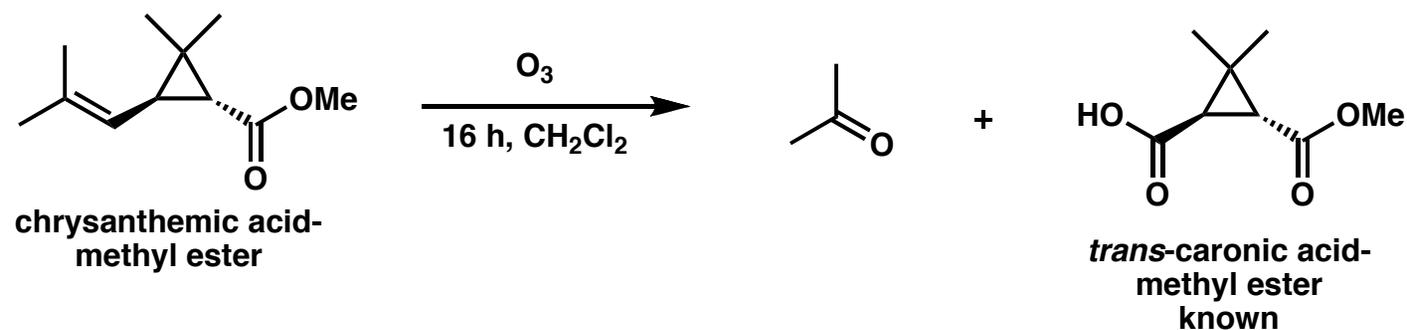
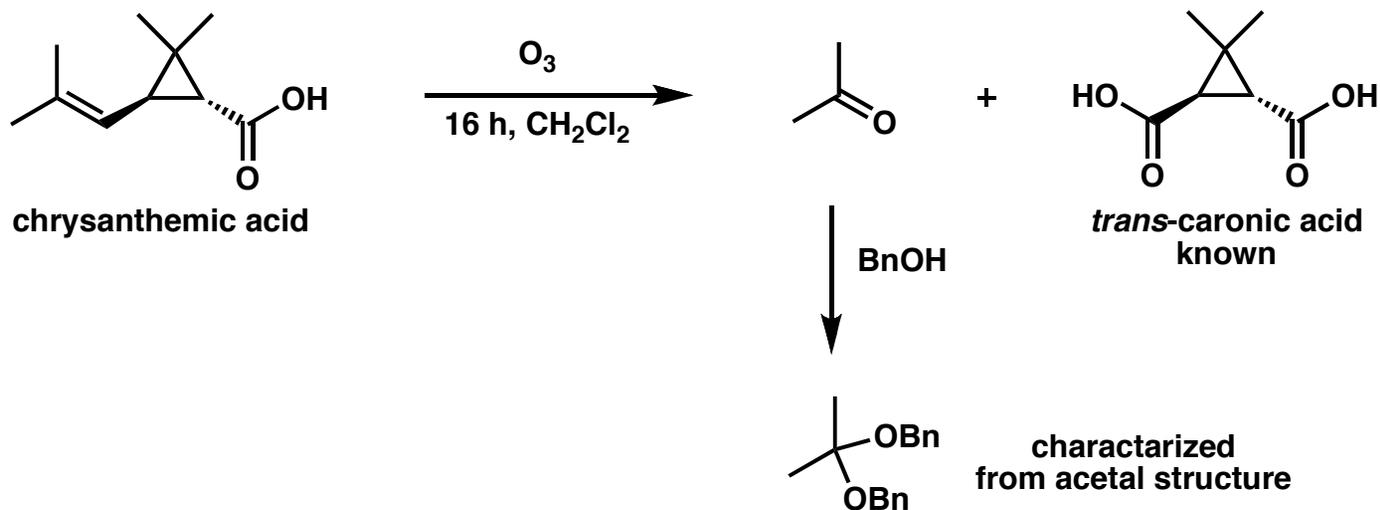
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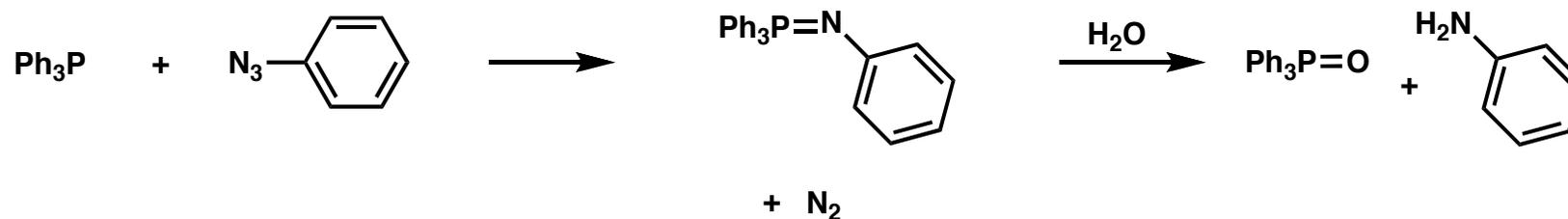
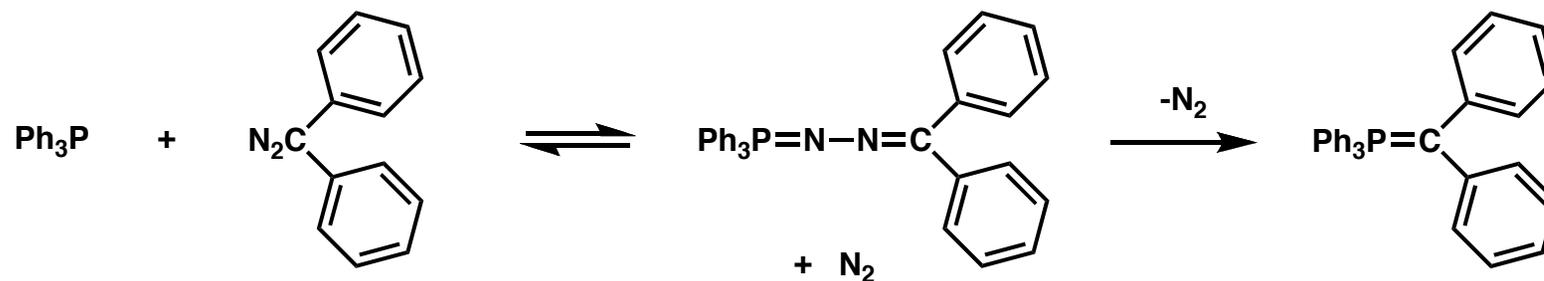
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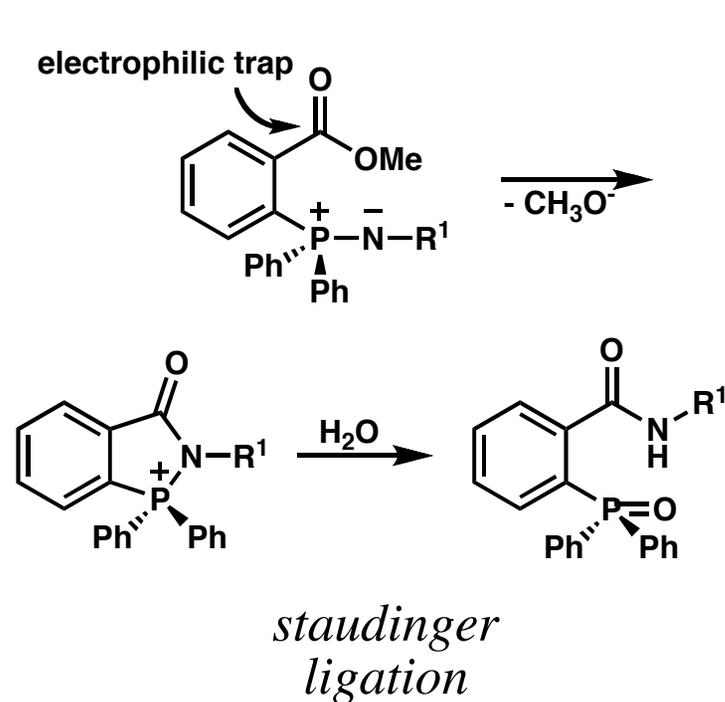
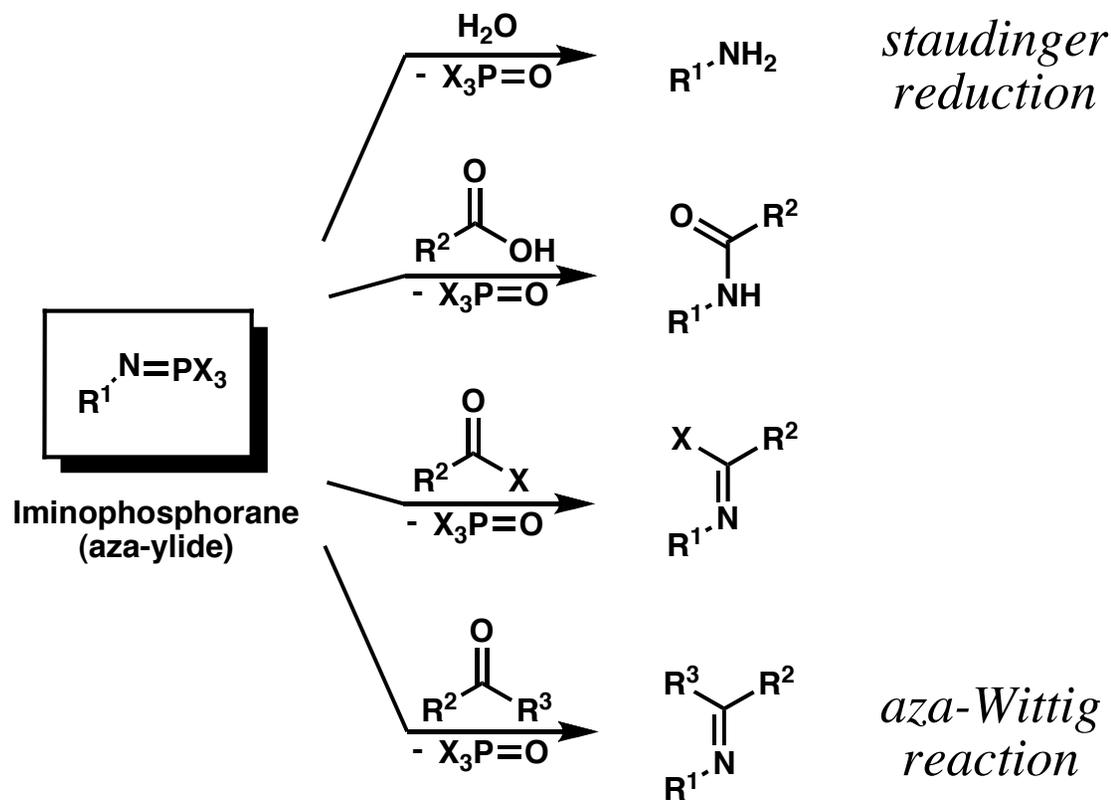
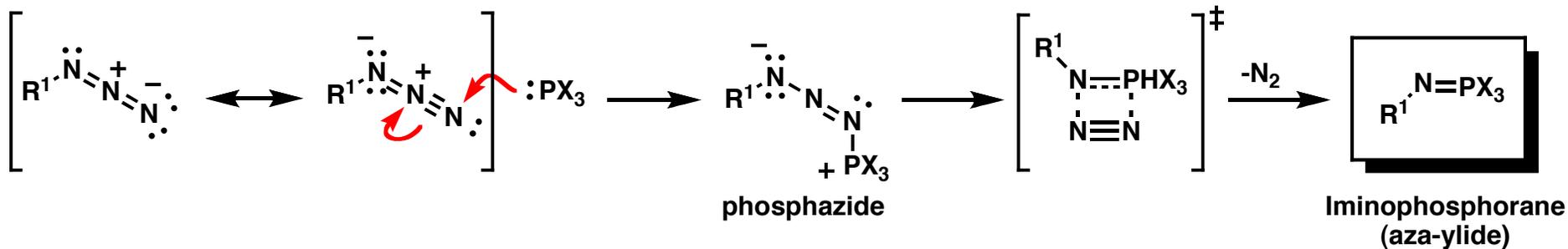
The Staudinger reaction: early development

1919:

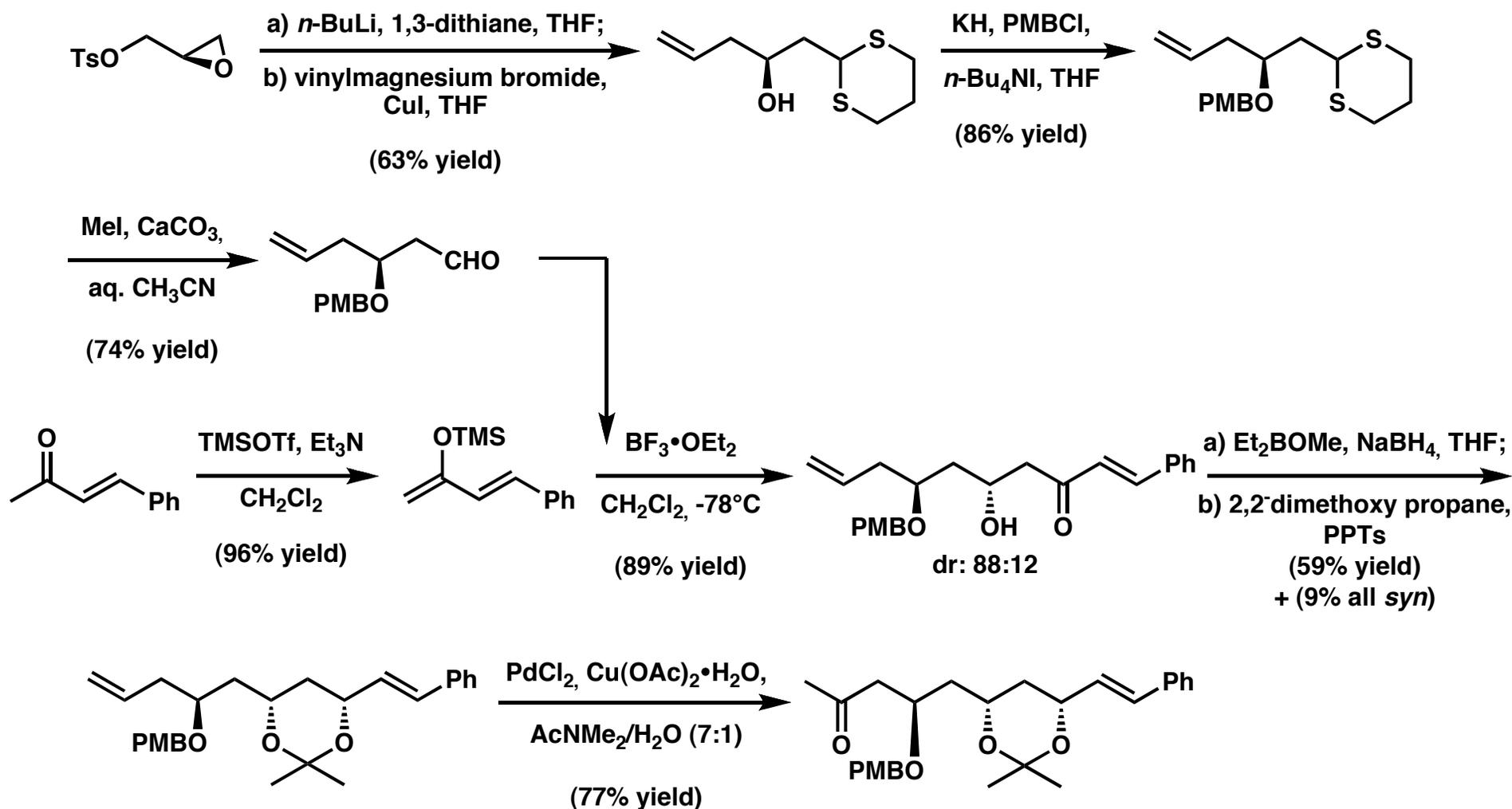


- Staudinger, H.; Meyer, J. *Helv. Chim. Acta.*, **1919**, 2, 619-635.
- Staudinger, H.; Meyer, J. *Helv. Chim. Acta.*, **1919**, 2, 635-646.
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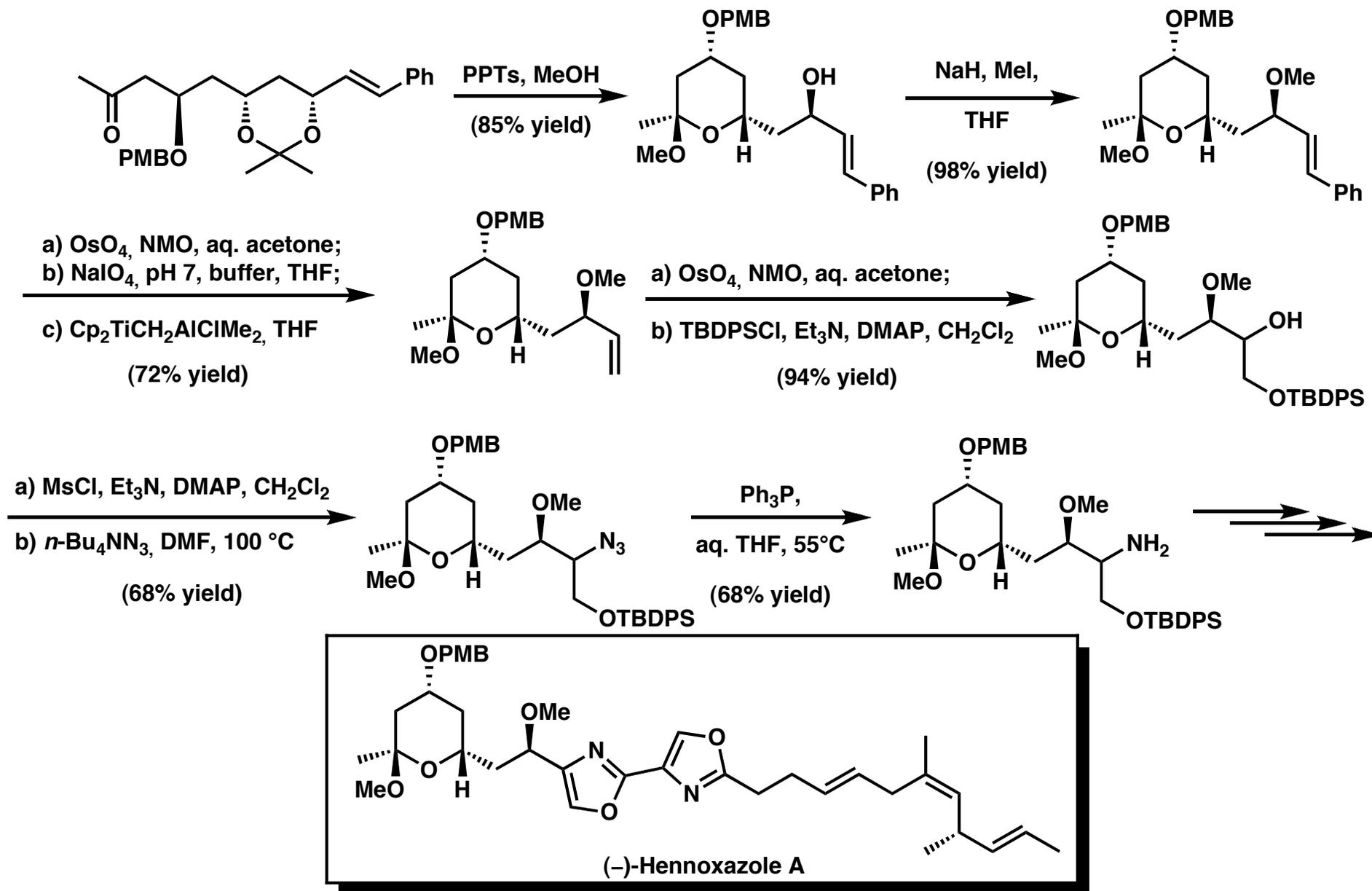
The Staudinger reaction: mechanism and applications



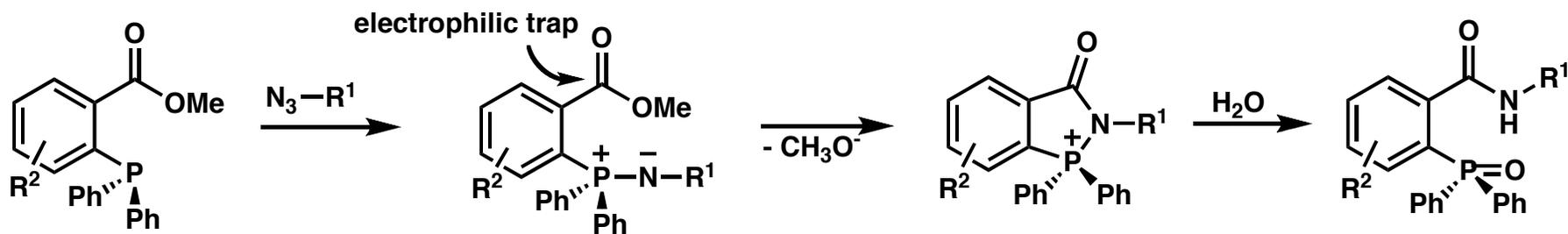
Staudinger reduction: Synthetic application



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The Staudinger Ligation: Introduction

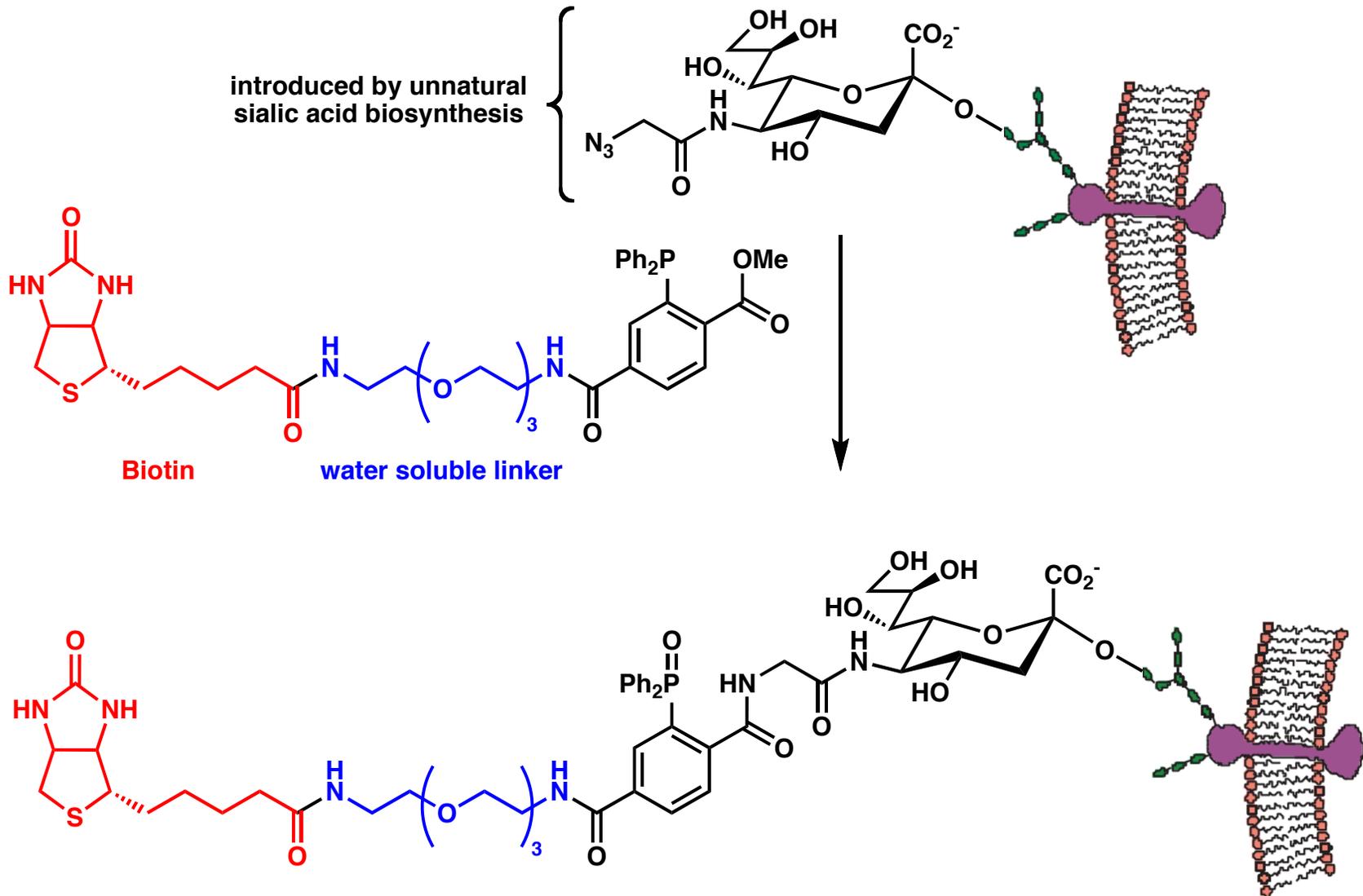


Clue: Coupling of abiotic reagents (phosphines and azides) under biocompatible conditions

⇒ *Phosphine oxide and R² is only present and covalently bound at reaction position*

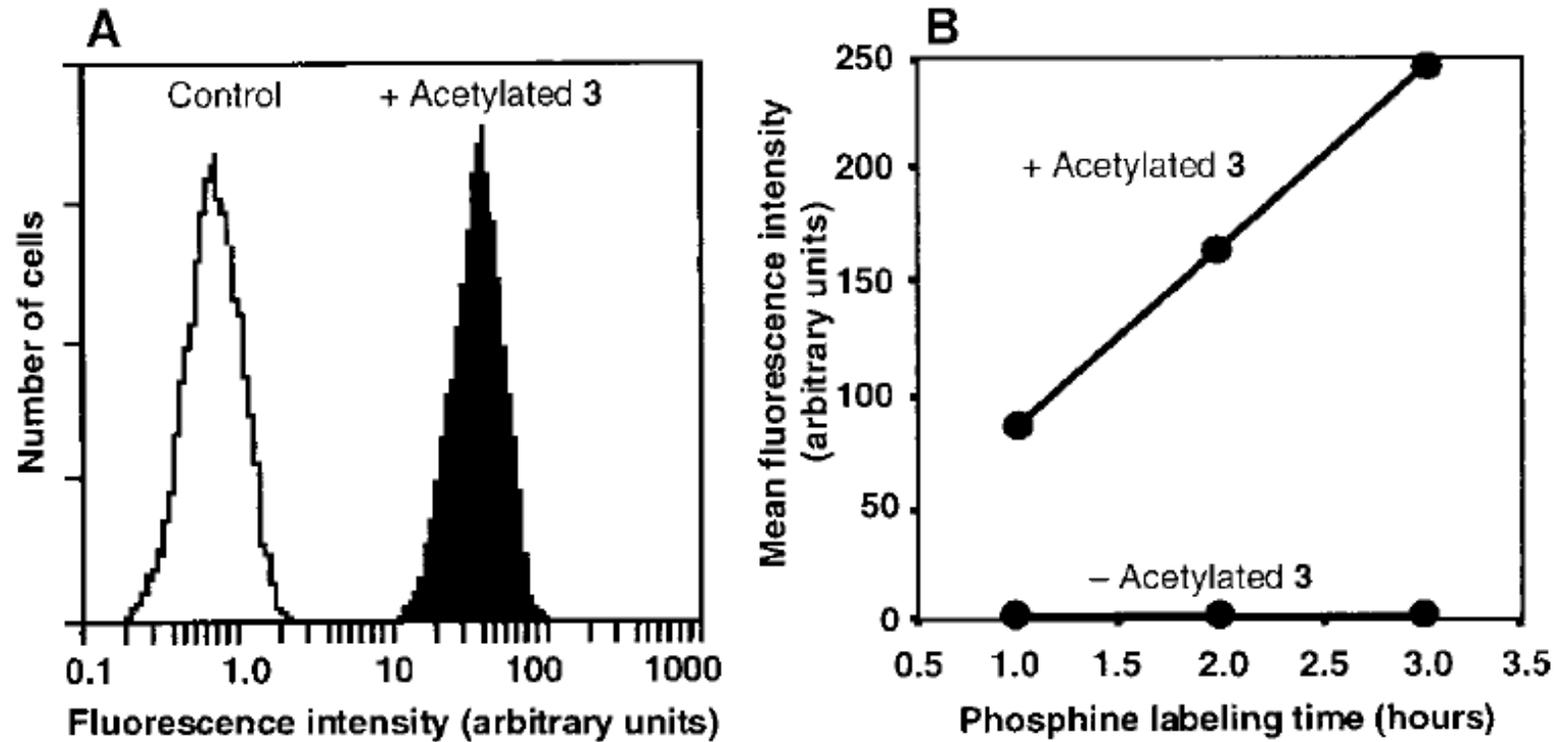
⇒ *Allows examination of biological processes*

Staudinger ligation on cell surfaces

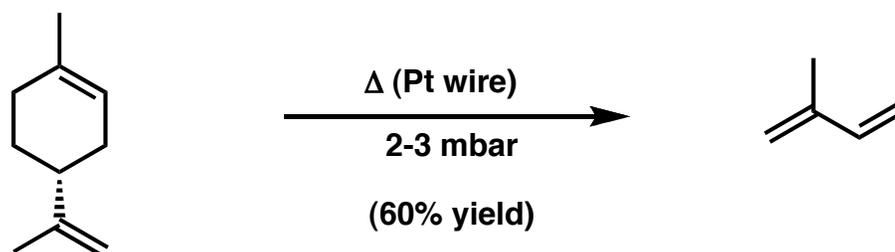


Saxon, E.; Bertozzi, C. R. *Science* **2000**, *287*, 2007-2010.

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Pyrolysis of 6-membered rings: one of the first industrial routes to 1,3-dienes

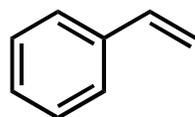


Staudinger, H.; Klever, H. W. *Ber. Dtsch. Chem. Ges.* **1911**, *44*, 2212-2215.

Definition of the word "polymer"

before ca. 1920-1930:

1833: Berzelius^[a]: compounds of the same chemical composition that exhibit very different properties. = *isomers, homologues*



1866: Berthelot^[b] reports the formation of the "polymers" benzene and styrene upon heating acetylene

The concept of macromolecules was not accepted

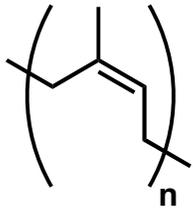
ca. 1930: The community accepted Staudingers concept of macromolecules
polymers = *macromolecules*

a) Berzelius, J. *Jahresber. Fortsch. Phys. Wissensch.* **1833**, 12, 63.

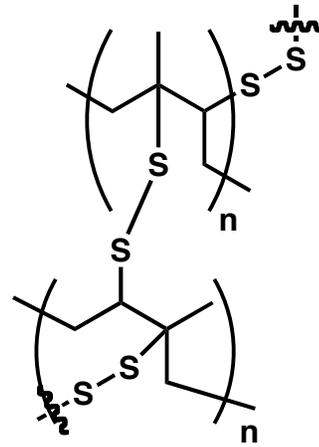
b) Berthelot, P. E. M. *Bull. Soc. Chim. Fr.* **1866**, 6, 268.

1920: known polymers - structure unknown

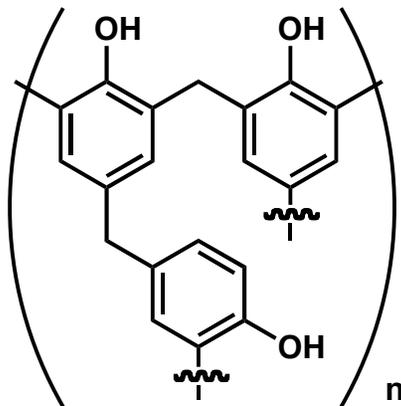
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vulcanized rubber:



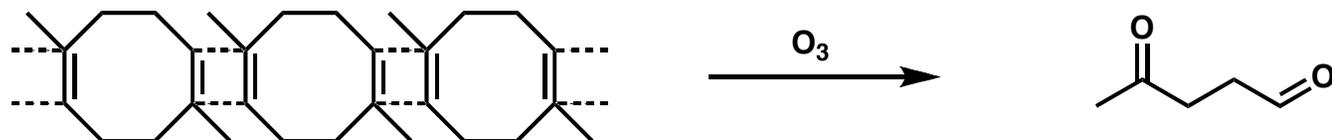
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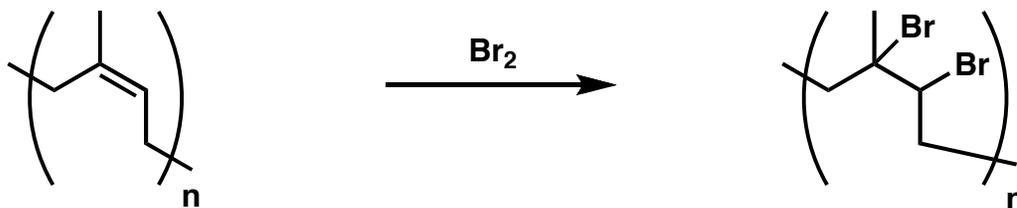
and others

Proposed wrong structures and misleading experiments

1902: Harries' proposal for natural rubber.^[a] self-assembly of dimethylcyclooctadiene



1914: Pickles' bromination of natural rubber.^[b] First proposal of covalent bonds between isoprene monomer molecules. Underestimation of molecular weight.



1923: Brills crystallographic work on silk fibroin^[c]:
protein molecules $M = 500 - 600$ g/mol

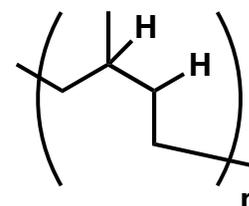
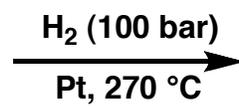
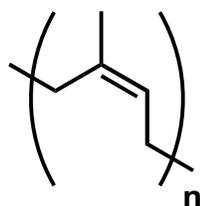
a) Harries, C. *Ber. Dtsch. Chem. Ges.* **1902**, 35, 3256.

b) Pickles, S. S. *J. Chem. Soc.* **1910**, 97, 1085.

c) Brill, R. *Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem.* **1923**, 434, 204.

First experimental evidence

1922^[a]:



similar characteristics

n ?

a) Staudinger, H.; Fritsch, J. *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1922**, 5, 785-806.

Final evidence: Staudingers viscosity law

for molecules in highly diluted solution (no interaction of molecules):

Einsteins viscosity law: $\eta_{sp} = K \frac{c \cdot N_L}{M} \varphi$

η_{sp} = specific viscosity
 K = constant (depending on solvent, substance)
 N_L = Avogadro (Loschmidt) - constant
 φ = volume of particle

for one and the same substance in different concentrations: $K \frac{N_L}{M} \varphi = K'$

	Glucose			
$\frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} = K'$	c (g/mol)	η_{sp}	η_{sp}/c	
	1.00	0.027	0.027	
	2.11	0.062	0.029	
	4.63	0.131	0.028	
	10.20	0.316	0.031	
	15.72	0.619	0.039	↓ association of molecules
	20.14	0.901	0.045	
	24.03	1.216	0.056	

Final evidence: Staudingers viscosity law

for polystyrene (polymerized by heating, $\overline{M}_W > 10000$):

$\frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} = K'$	polystyrene		
	c (g/mol)	η_{sp}	η_{sp}/c
	0.125	0.54	4.32
	0.25	1.21	4.84
	0.5	3.05	6.10
	0.75	5.69	7.58
	1.0	9.25	9.25
	1.5	31.00	20.66
	2.0	59.5	29.75

↓ association ?

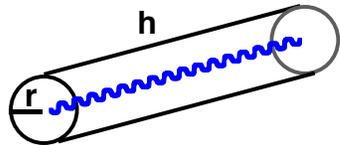
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what is the volume of a macromolecule?

Final evidence: Staudingers viscosity law

$$\eta_{sp} = K \frac{c \cdot N_L}{M} \varphi$$

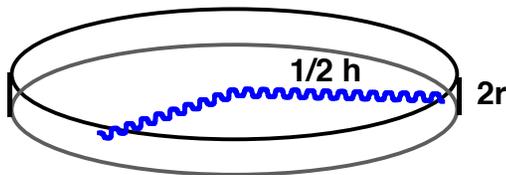


h = length of molecule
r = "radius" of chain

macromolecule considered to be a cylinder:

$$\varphi = r^2 \pi h \implies \eta_{sp} = K \frac{c \cdot N_L \cdot r^2 \pi h}{M}$$

$$\implies \eta_{sp} = K' c \quad \text{does not apply!}$$



macromolecule allowed to move in volume:

$$\varphi = \frac{1}{2} r \pi h^2 \implies \eta_{sp} = K \frac{c \cdot N_L \cdot r \pi h^2}{2 M}$$

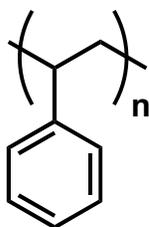
$$\implies \eta_{sp} = K' c h = K_m \cdot c \cdot M$$

$$\implies \frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} = K_m \cdot M \quad \text{does apply!}$$

Final evidence: Staudingers viscosity law

polystyrenes, polymerized by heating

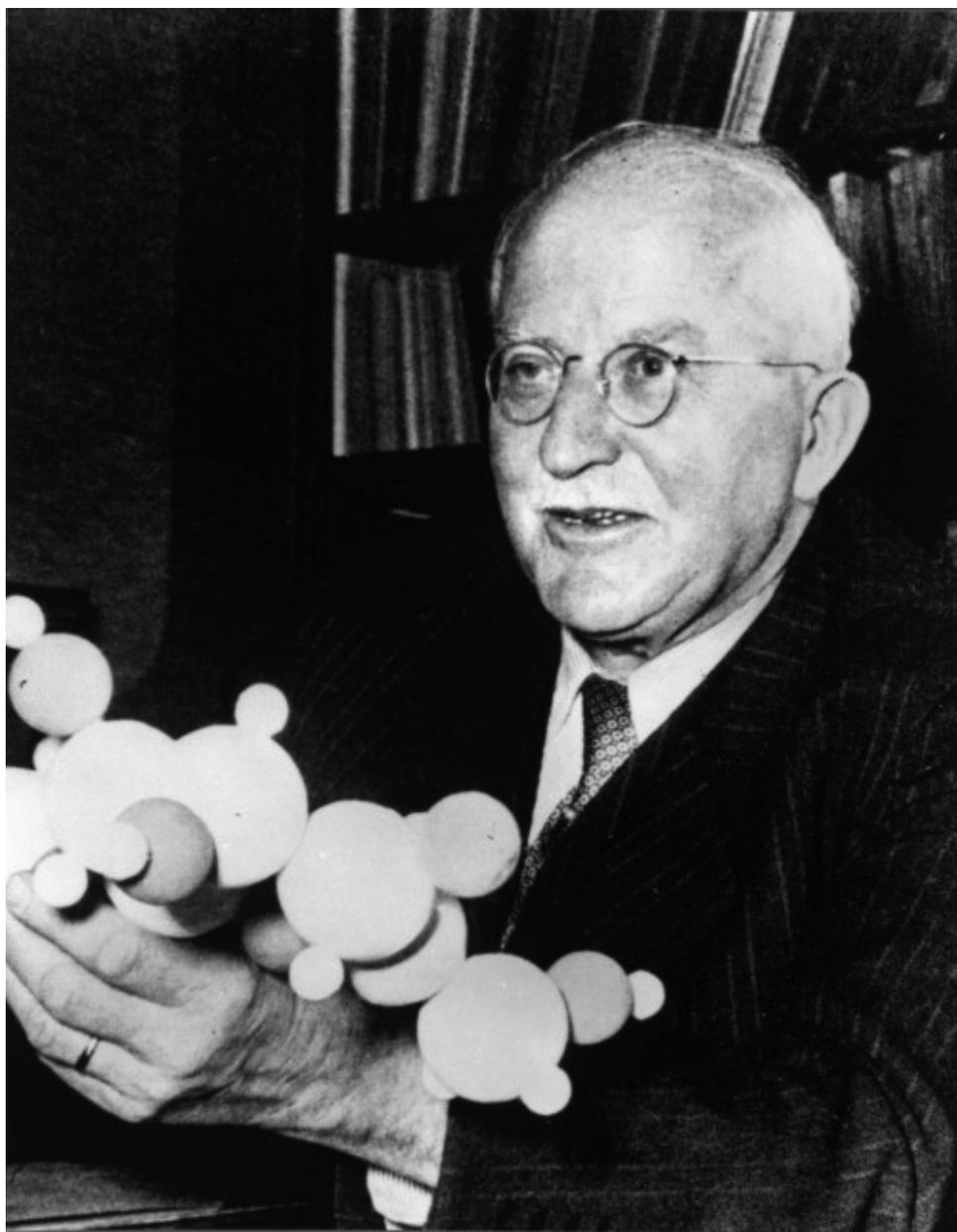
$$\frac{\eta_{sp}}{c} = K_m \cdot M$$



polymerization conditions	$\frac{\eta_{sp}}{c}$	M ($K_m = 0.25 \cdot 10^{-3}$)
6 h 260 °C	3.365	13400
12 h 150 °C	12.26	49000
53 d 100 °C	22.6	90500
17 d 65 °C	30.3	121000
cold	56.0	200000

1953: Nobel prize in Chemistry





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