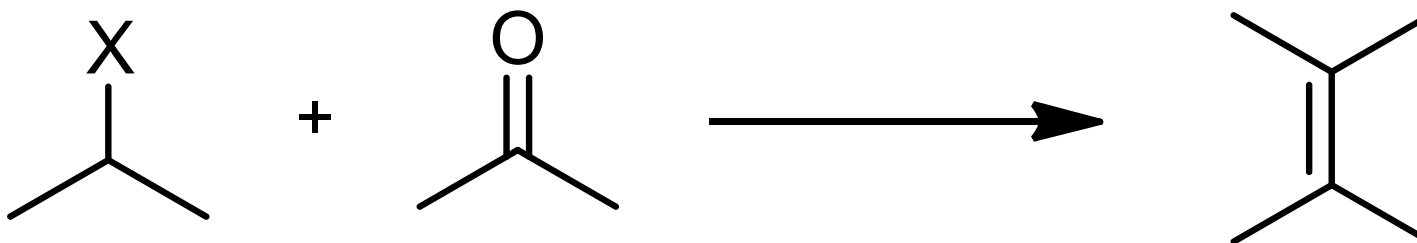
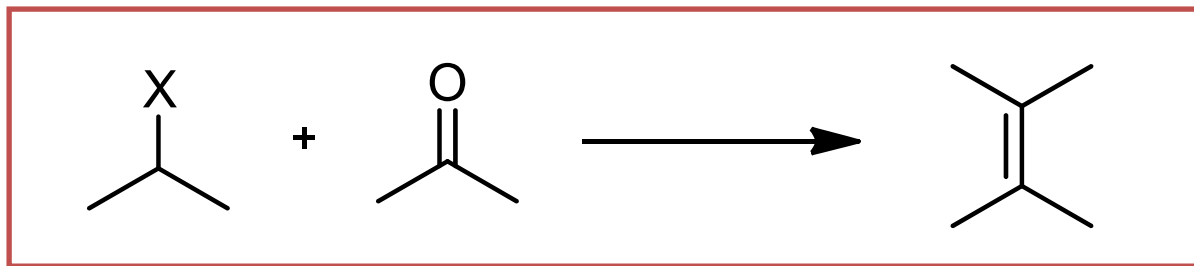


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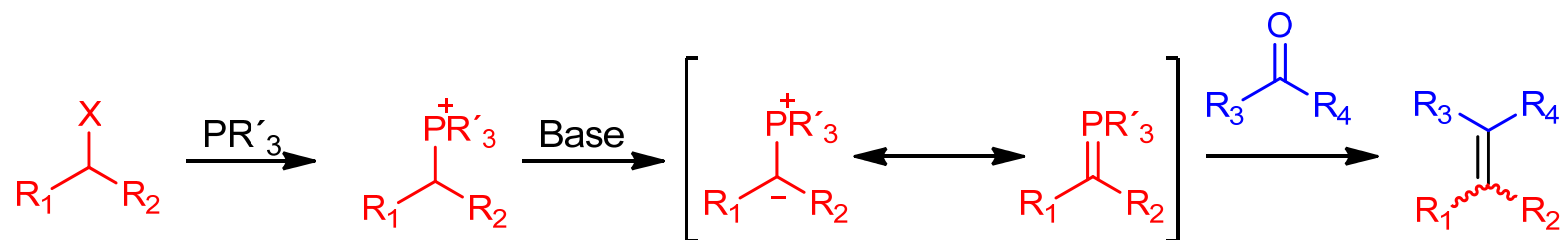


- Wittig Reaction (**Phosphorous ylides**)
- Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons Reaction (**Phosphonates**)
- Peterson Olefination (**Silanes**)
- Julia-Lythgoe (**Sulphones**)
- McMurry Coupling (**Titanium complexes**)
- Petasis / Tebbe Olefination (**Carbene complexes**)

Mechanism
Stereochemistry (*Z* / *E*)
Experimental Examples

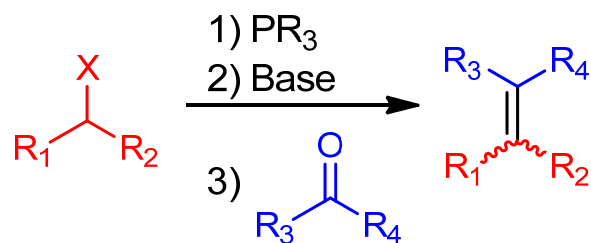
Olefination Reactions

Wittig Reaction



X: Cl, Br, I, OTs

R_3, R_4 : alkyl, aryl



Olefination Reactions

Wittig Reaction

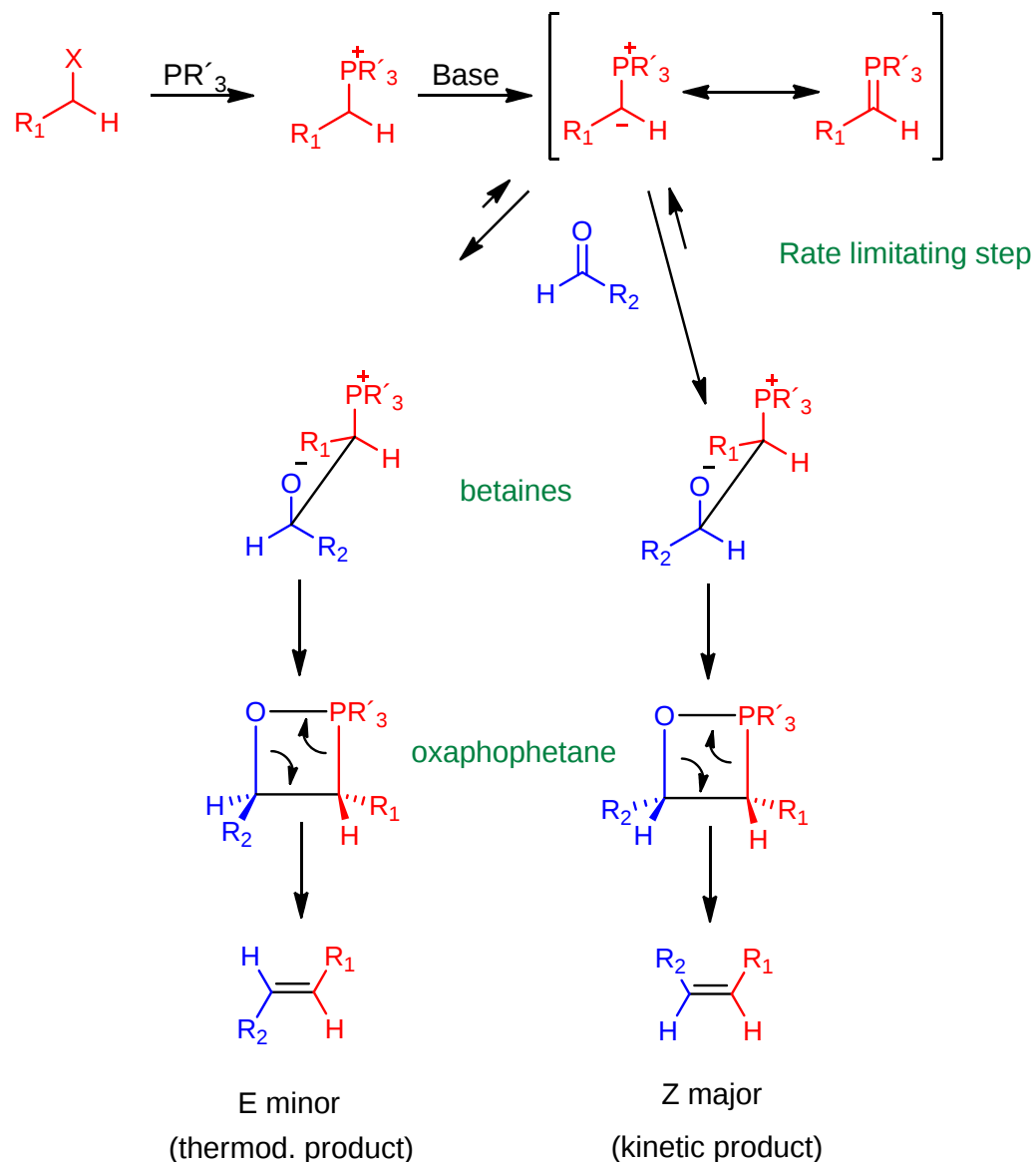
Mechanism:

1. Deprotonation

2. Coupling of the ylide to the carbonyl compound (RL step) to form the betaine

3. Cyclation to the oxaphosphetane

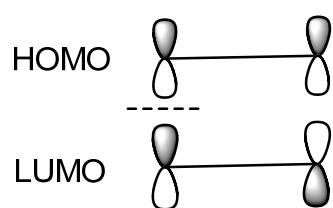
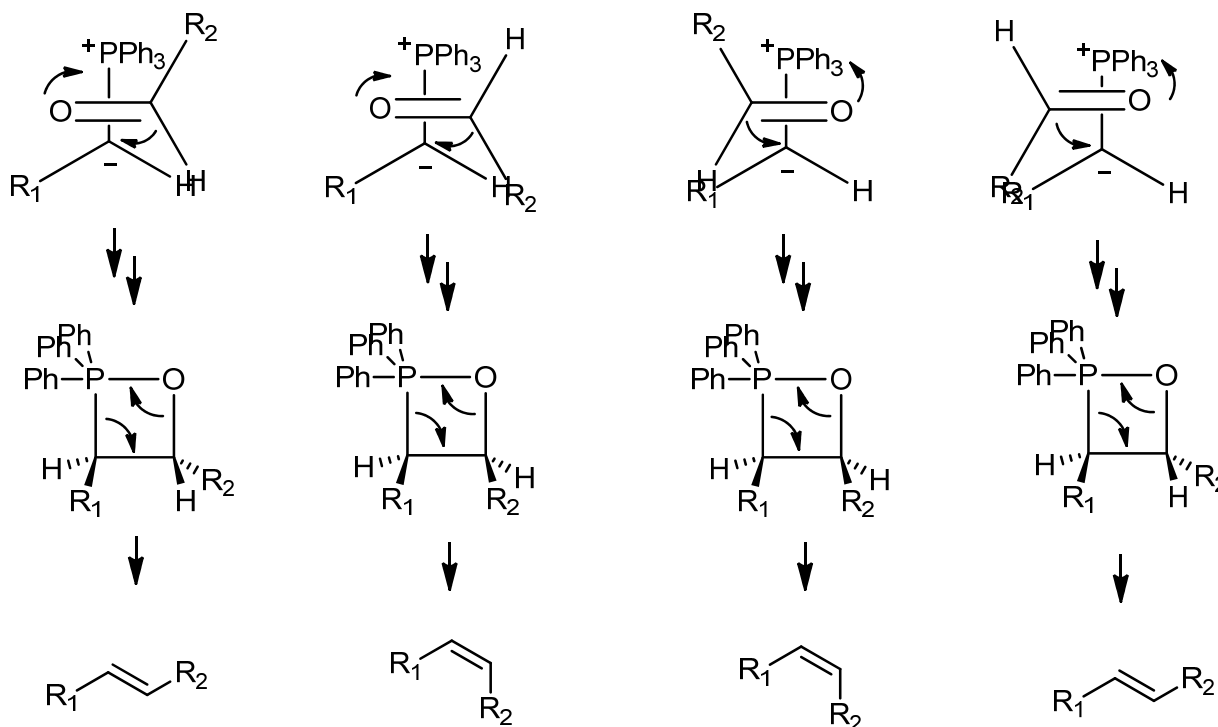
4. Rearrangement to the olefins



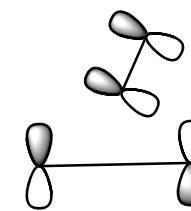
Olefination Reactions

Stereochemistry:

1. the *cis* product is favoured due to steric interference during the attack of the carbonyl to the ylide.



Supra-supra
forbidden



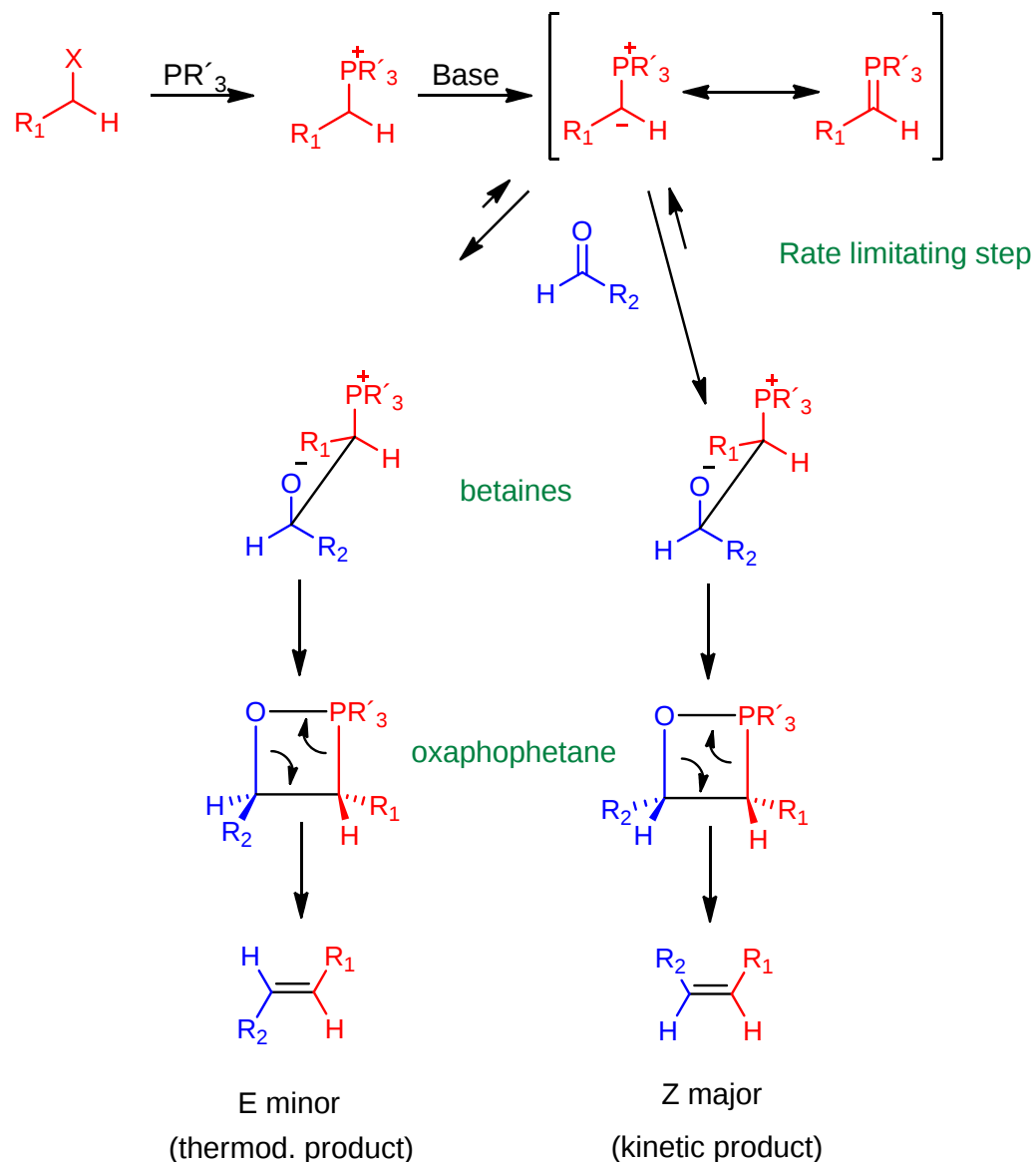
Antara-supra
Constricted
(higher selectivity)

Olefination Reactions

Stereochemistry:

1. the *cis* product is favoured due to steric hindrance during the attack of the carbonyl to the ylide.

2. Non polar solvents and salt free conditions induce *Z*-olefin formation due to the destabilisation of the betaines.



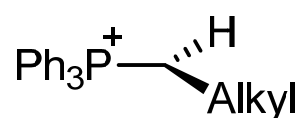
Olefination Reactions

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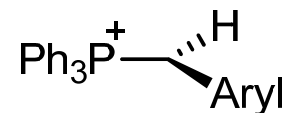
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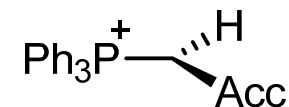
3. By increasing the stability of the ylide, the proportion of *E*-olefin increases.



Labile ylide



Semistable ylide



Stable ylide

Preparation

In situ

In situ

isolated

Base used

$n\text{BuLi}$
 NaNH_2
 K^tBuO

NaEtO
Aq. NaOH

NaOH

Selectivity

$\geq 90\%$ *cis*

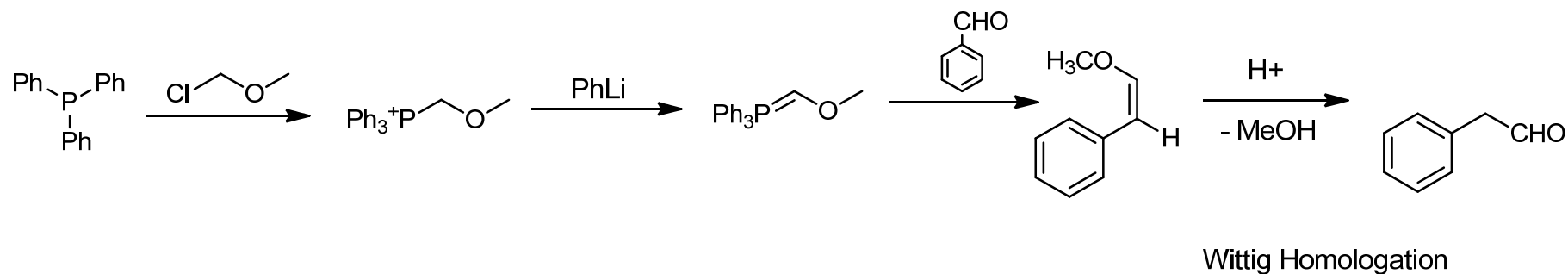
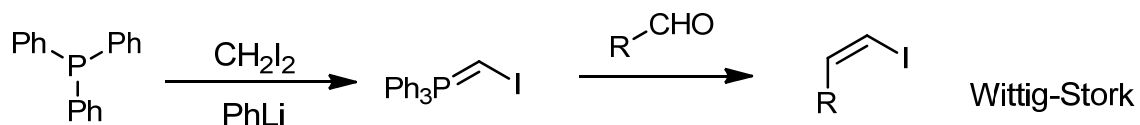
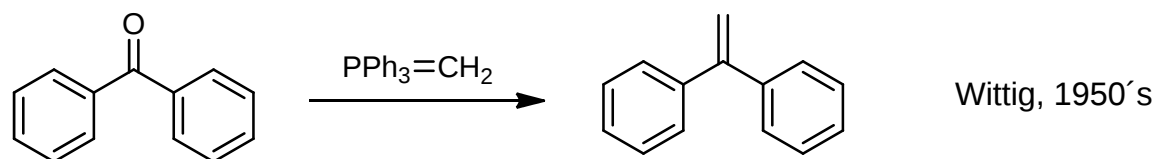
cis, *trans*

$\geq 90\%$ *trans*

Olefinations Reactions

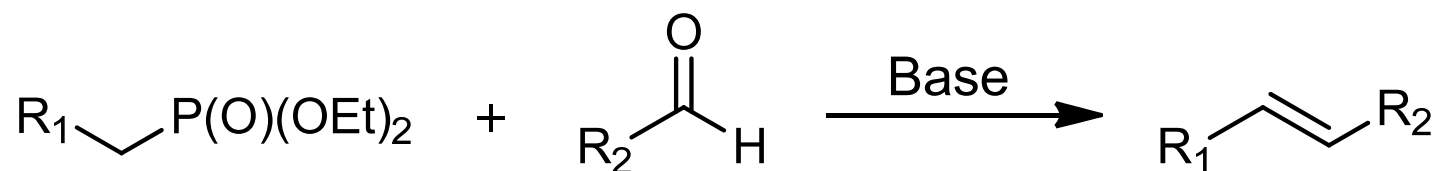
Wittig Reaction

Examples:



Olefination Reactions

Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons Reaction



E product

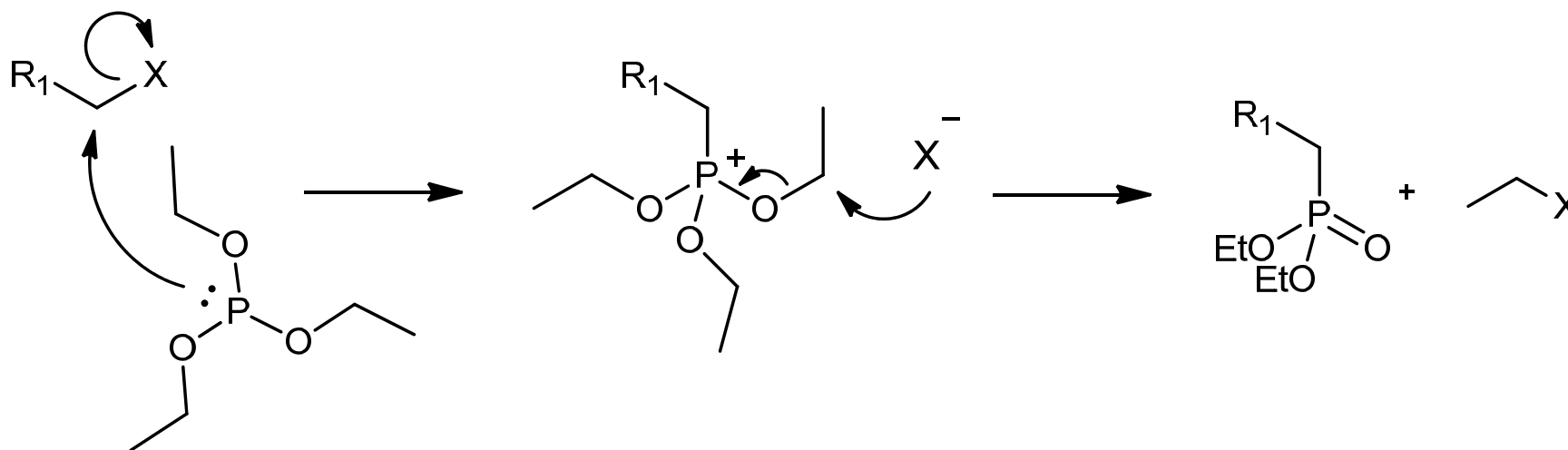
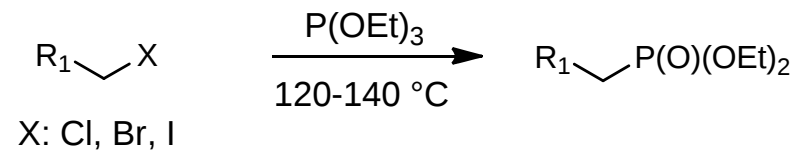
R₁ is an electronwithdrawing
group

Olefination Reactions

Arbuzov Reaction

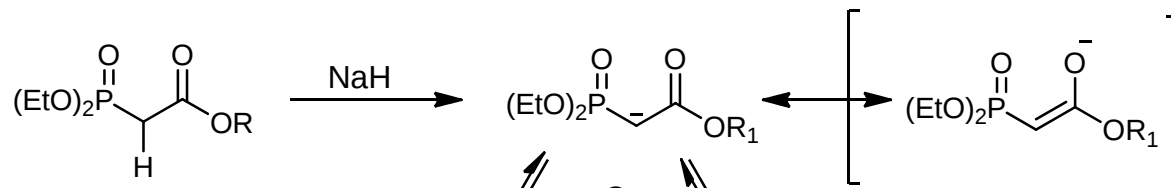
Mechanism

1. nucleophilic subs.
2. dealkylation



Olefination Reactions

Horner



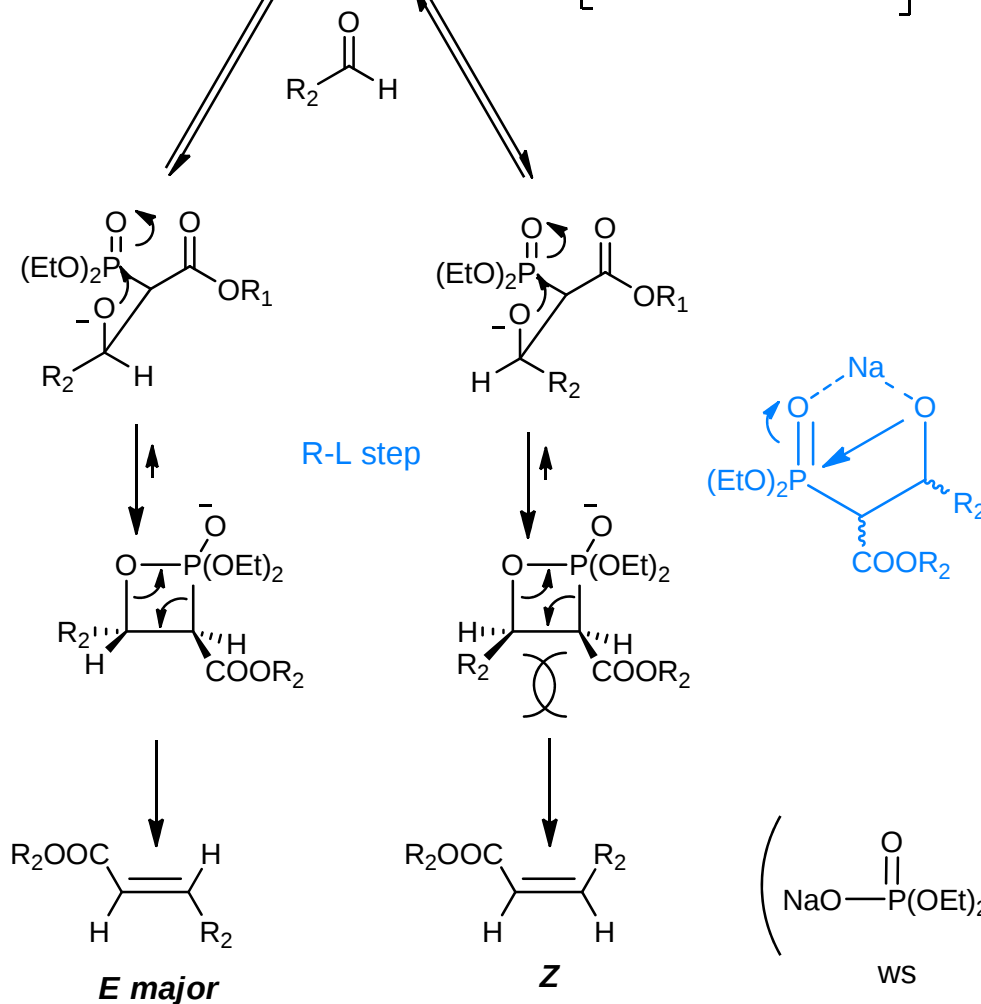
Mechanism

1. deprotonation.

2. Coupling with the aldehyde and formation of the betaine (stable)

3. Evolution to the oxaphosphetane

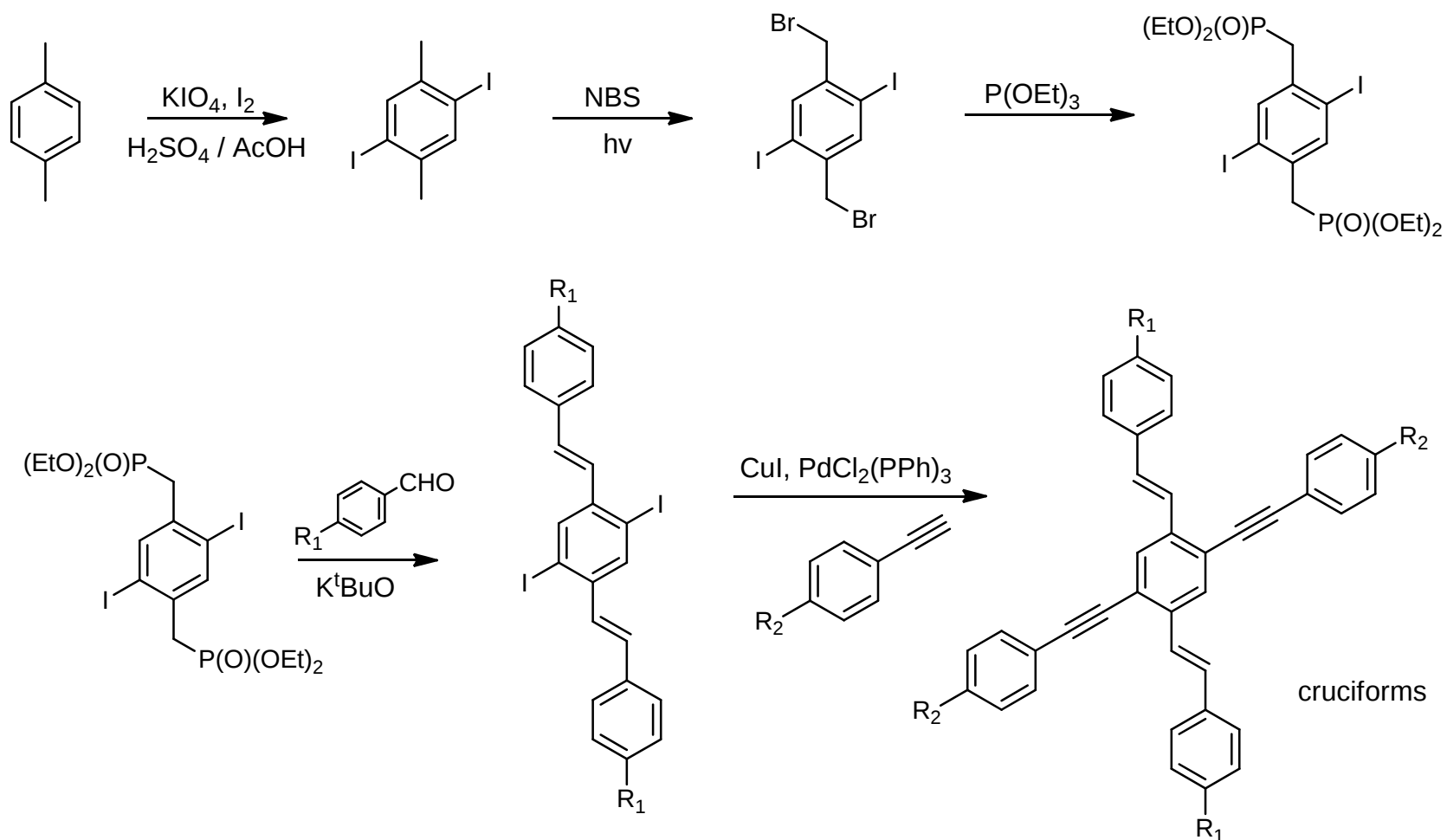
4. Rearrangement



Olefination Reactions

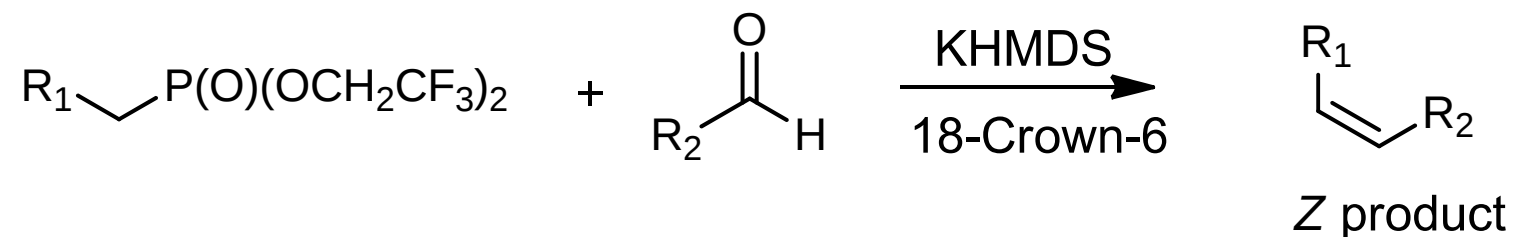
Horner

Example

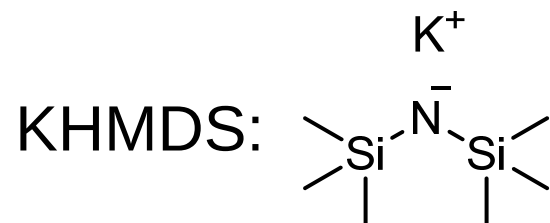


Olefination Reactions

Still-Gennari modification:

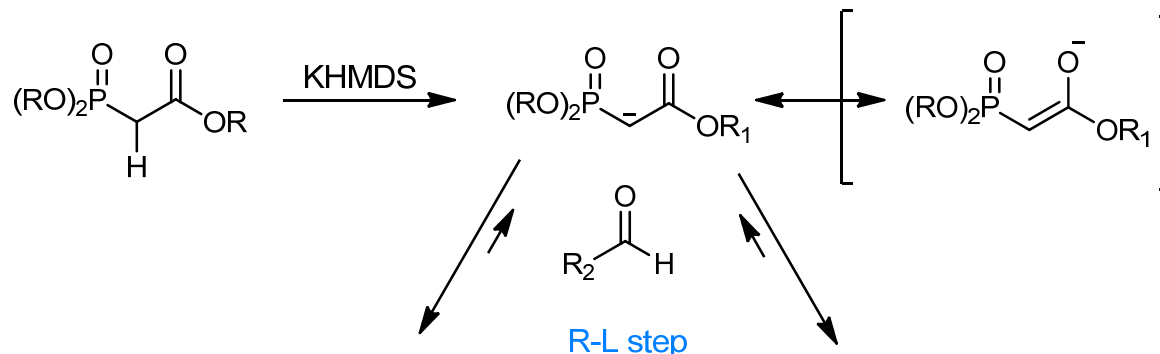


Highly dissociative media



Olefination Reactions

Still-Gennari



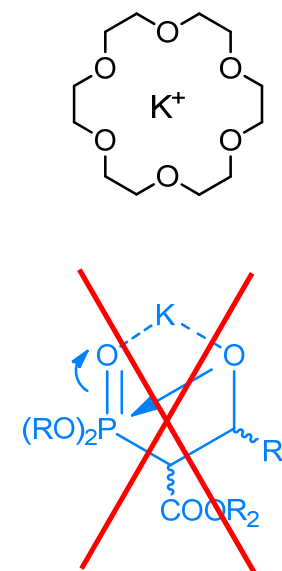
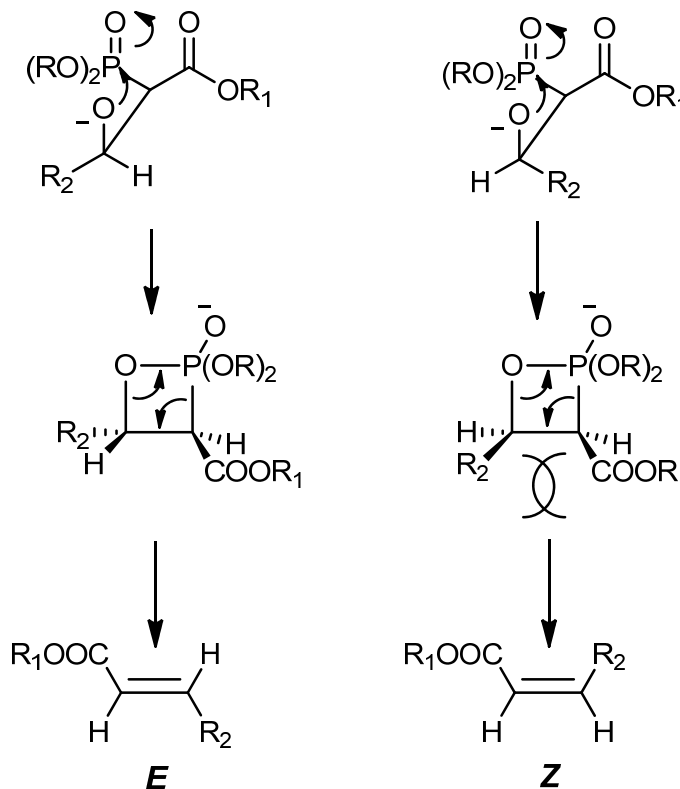
Mechanism

1. Deprotonation
(with **KHMDS**).

2. Coupling with the
aldehyde and formation
of the betaine (**unstable**)

3. Evolution to the
oxaphosphetane

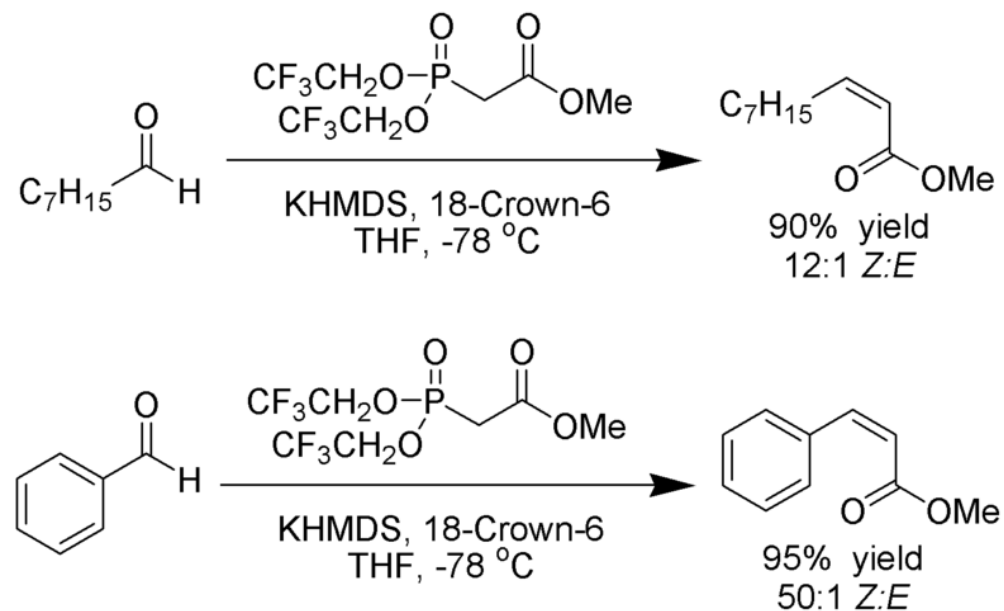
4. Rearrangement



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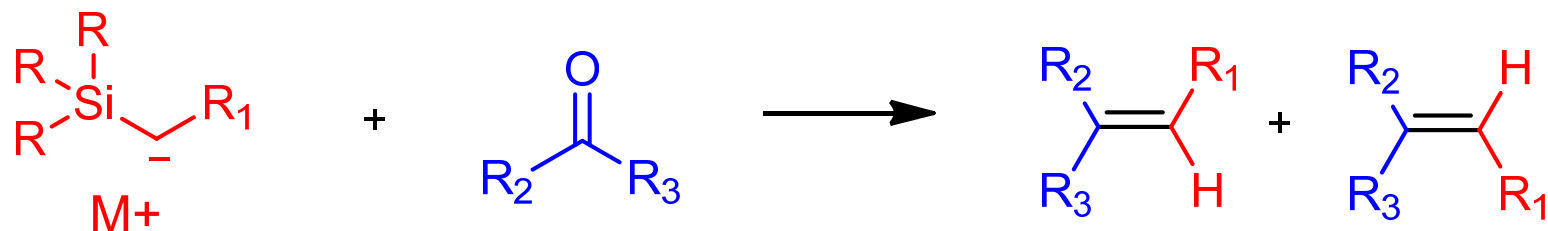
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Example



Olefinations Reactions

Peterson Olefination



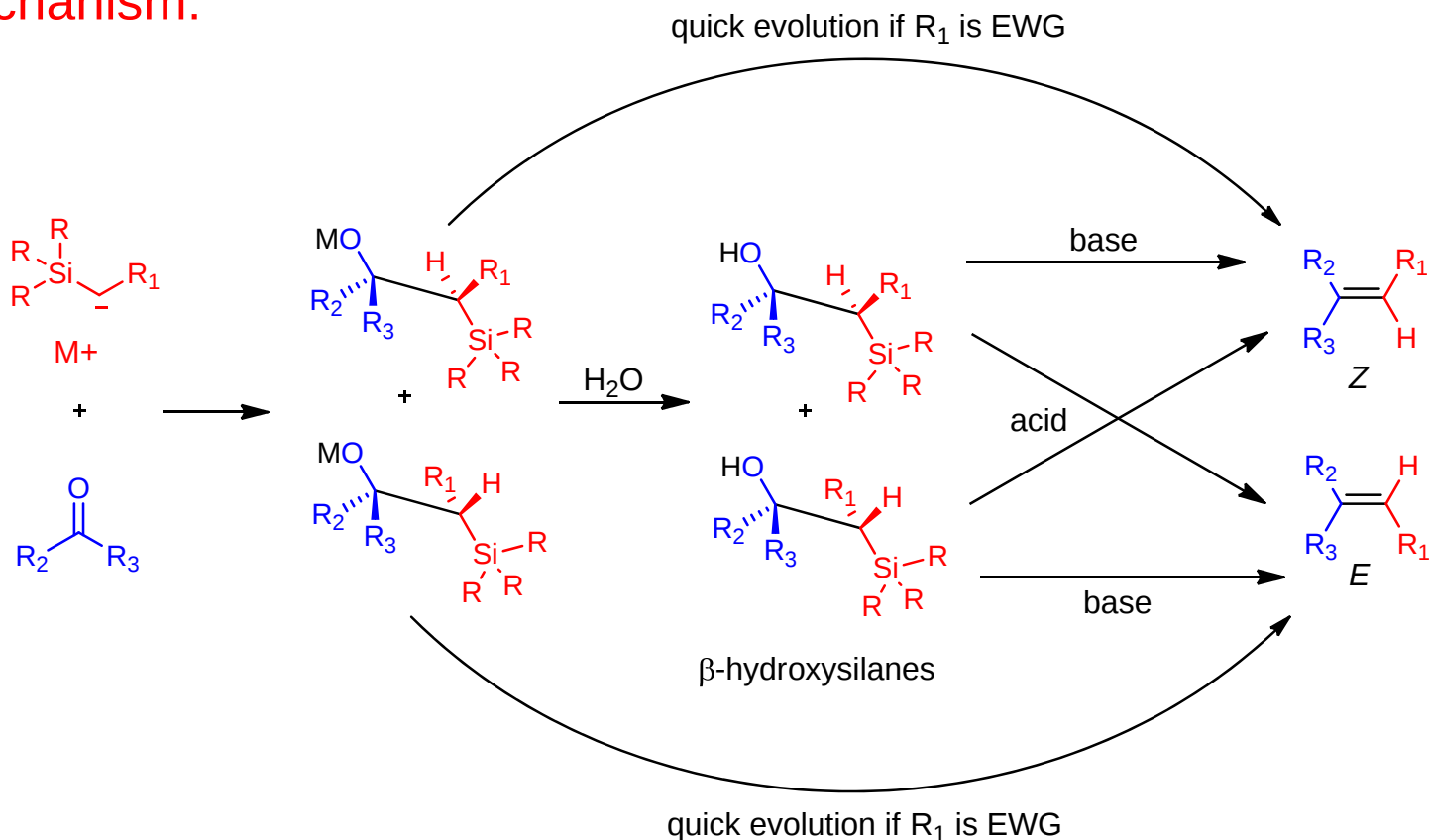
R_2, R_3 : alkyl, aryl

R_1 : alkyl, aryl, ester, cyano, amide...

Highly versatile

Olefination Reactions

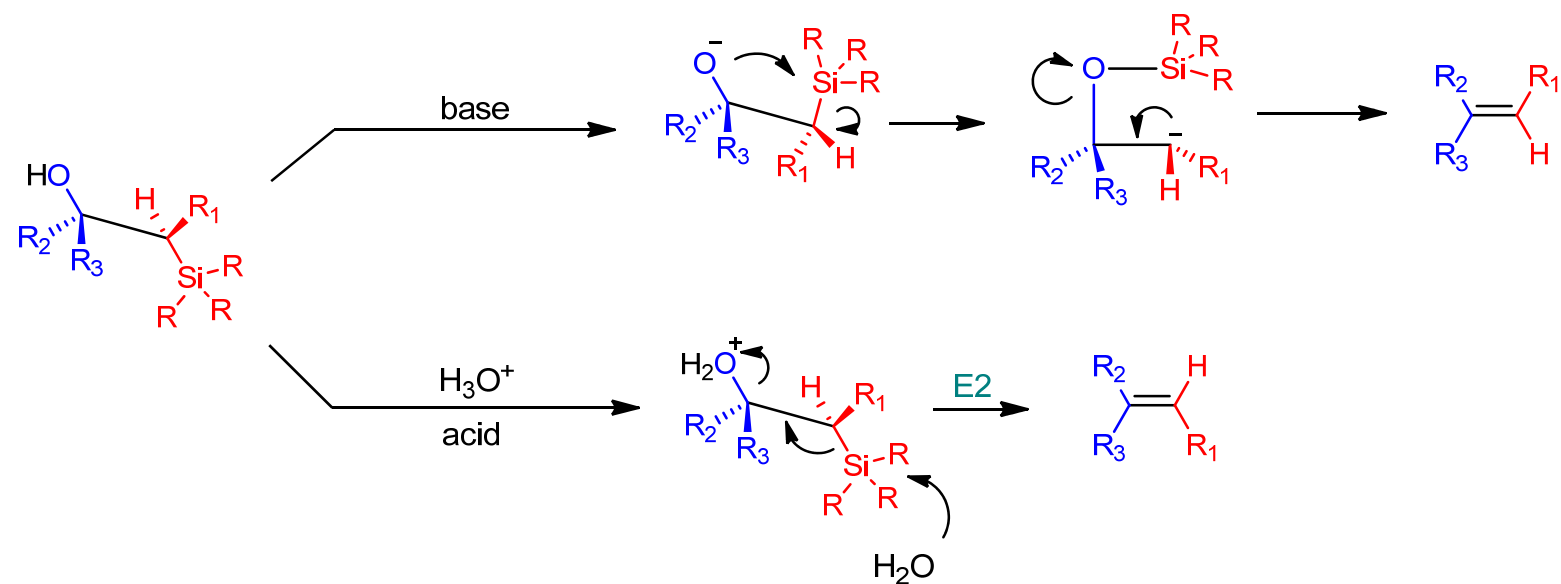
Mechanism:



1. Addition of the carbonyl
2. Formation of the β -hydroxysilanes. *Isolable only if R_1 is a donor*
3. Elimination to the olefins. *Syn or anti depending on the conditions*

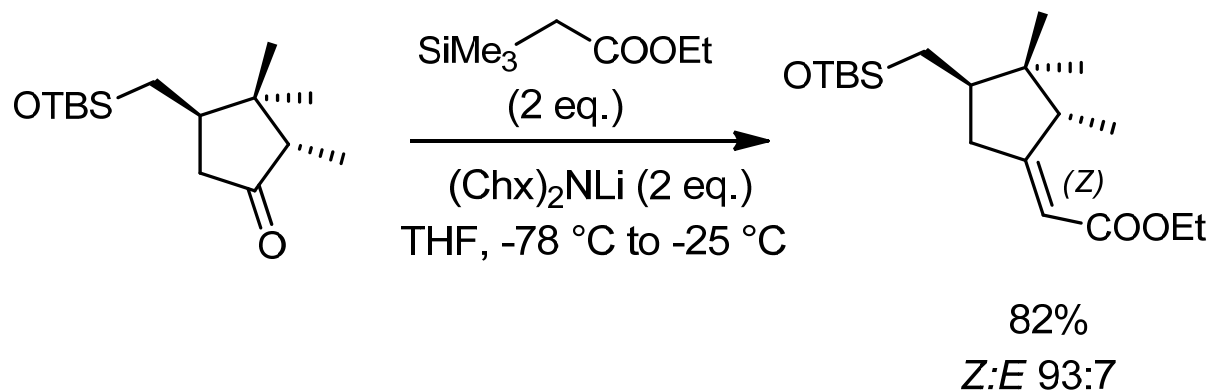
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Mechanism:



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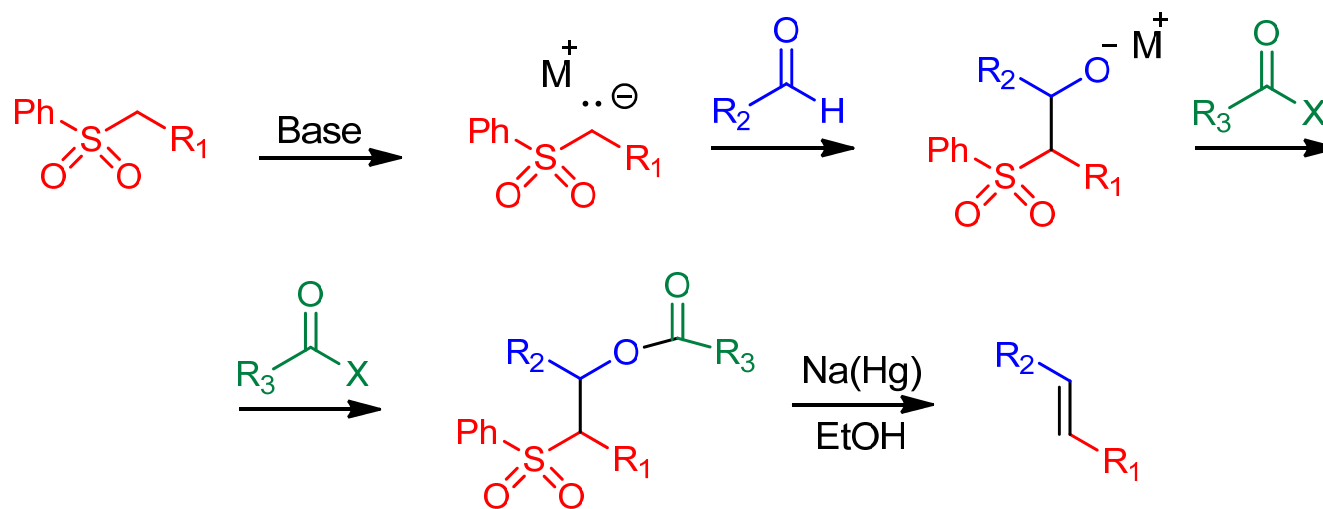
Example:



This is the only methodology to introduce this (Z)-alkene moiety

Olefination Reactions

Julia-Lythgoe Olefination



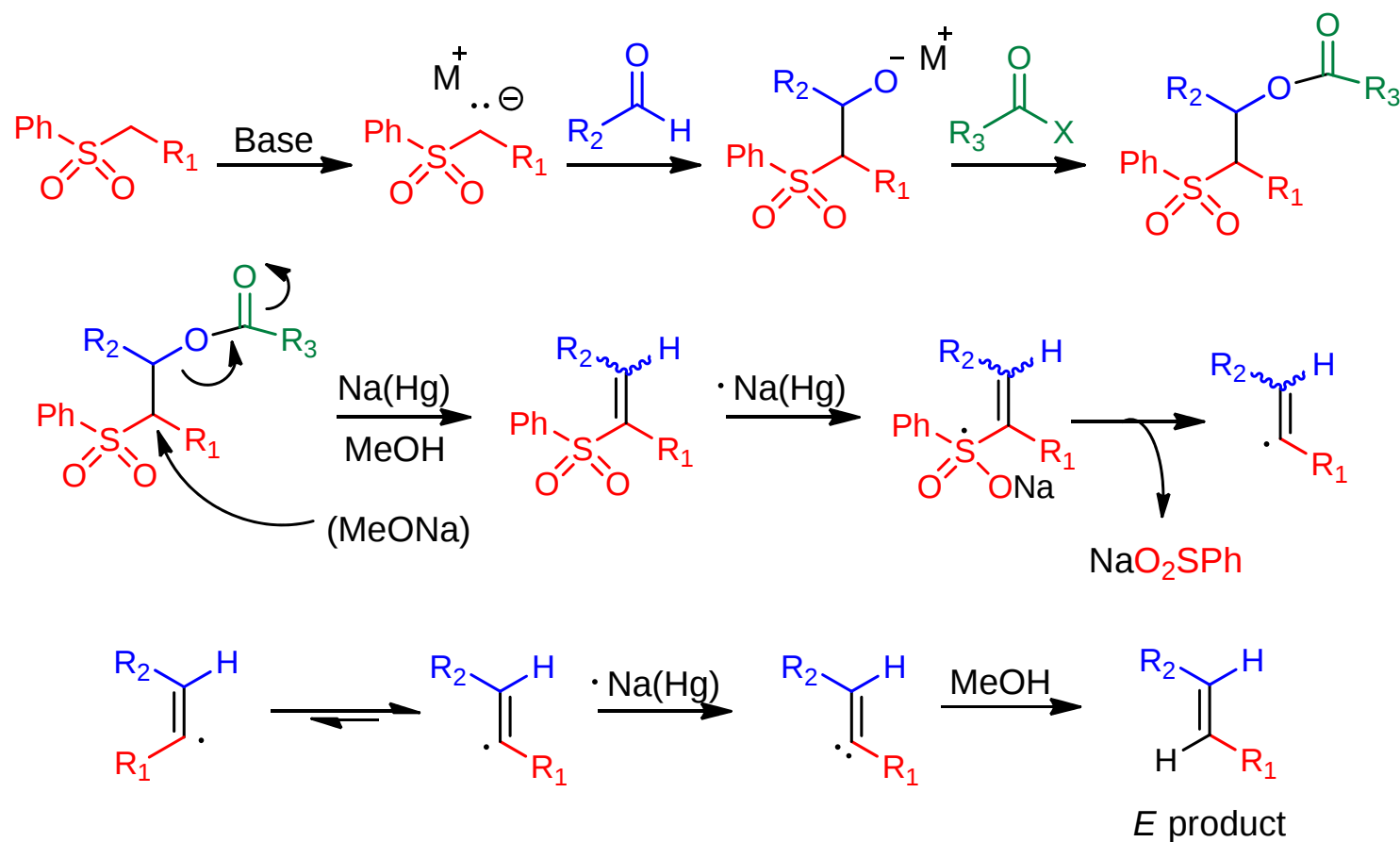
X: Cl, Br, OCOR_3

R_1 : H, alkyl, aryl

R_2 : H, alkyl, aryl, alkenyl

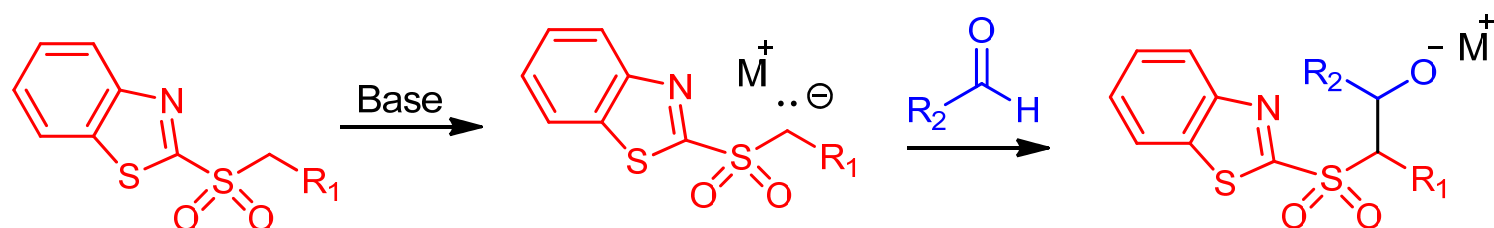
Olefination Reactions

Julia-Lythgoe Olefination

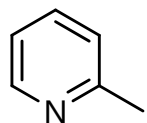
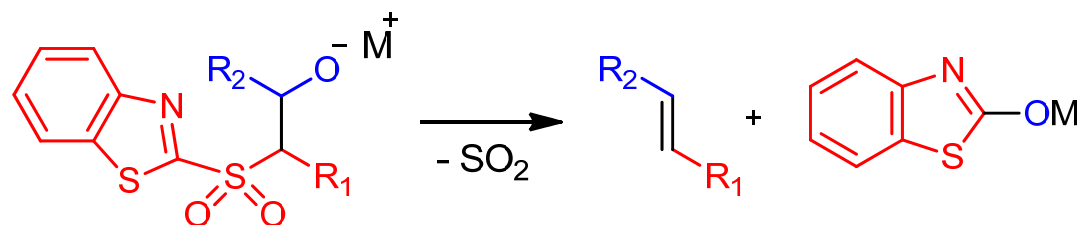


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Modified Julia-Lythgoe

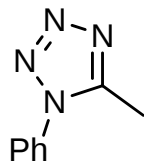


One-pot
reaction



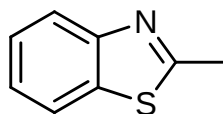
PYR

pyridin-2-yl-



PT

1-phenyl-1H-tetrazol



BT

benzothiazol-2-yl-

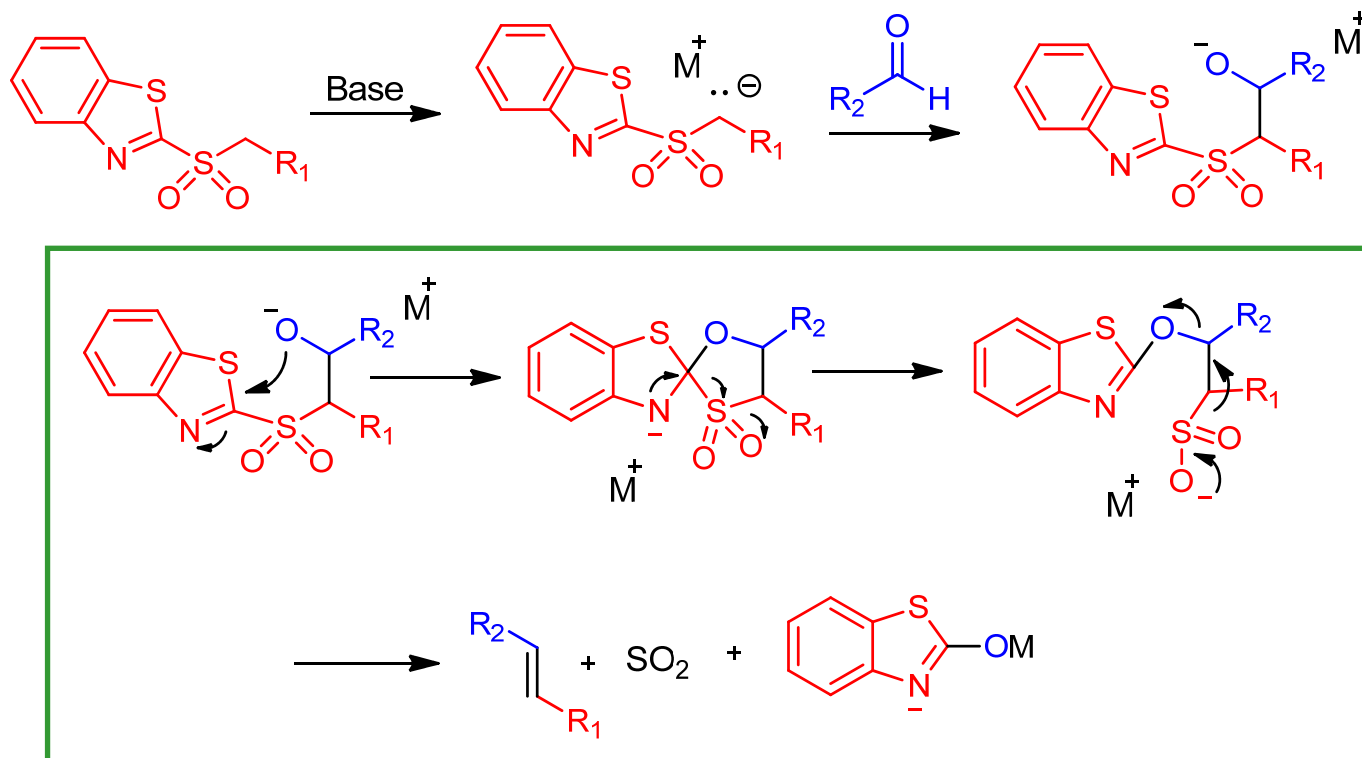
R_1 : H, alkyl, aryl

R_2 : H, alkyl, aryl, alkenyl

Olefination Reactions

Modified Julia-Lythgoe

Mechanism

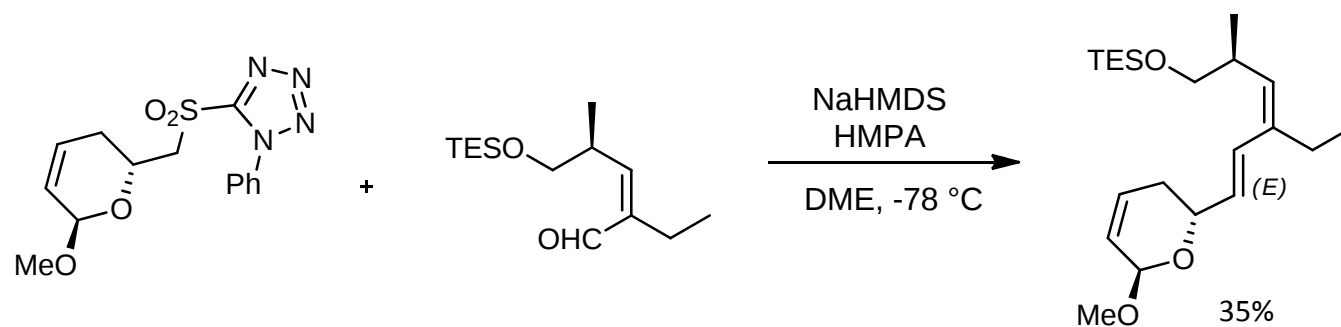


Smiles rearrangement

Olefination Reactions

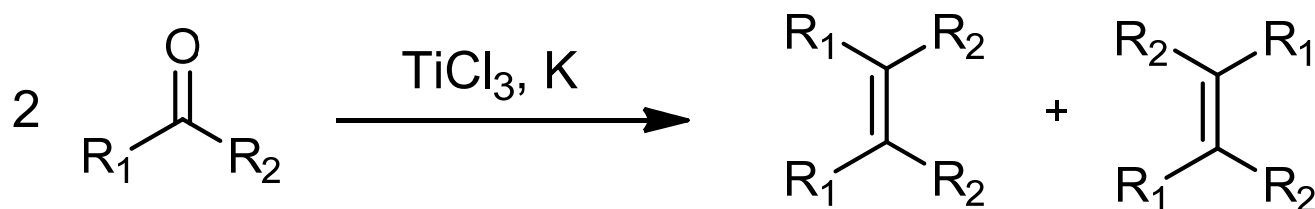
Modified Julia-Lythgoe

Example



Olefination Reactions

McMurry Coupling



R: H, alkyl, aryl

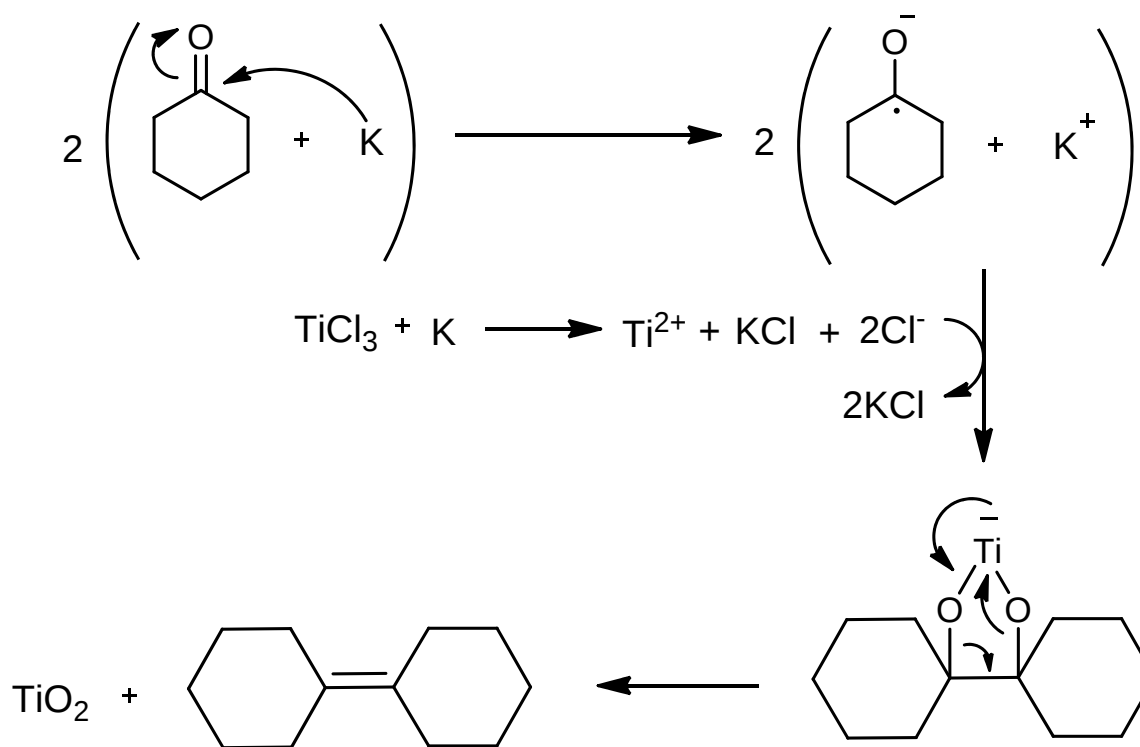
Uncontrolled reaction. Random stereochemistry

Olefination Reactions

McMurry Coupling

Mechanism

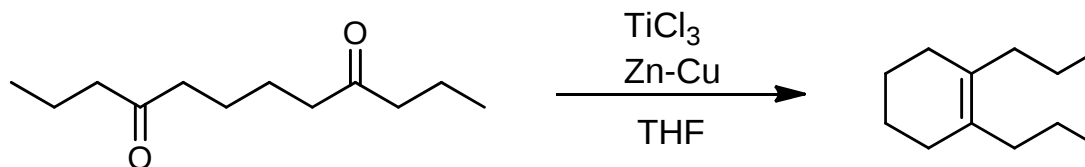
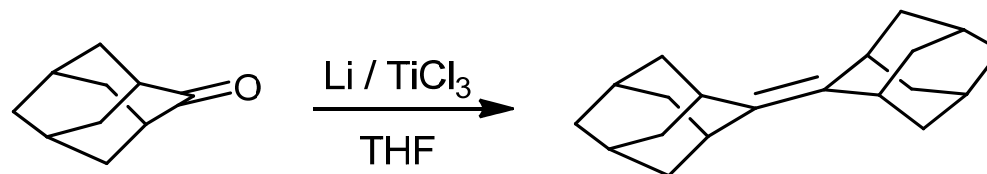
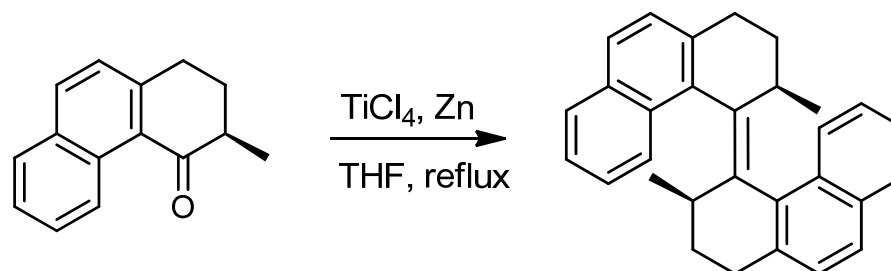
1. Re-dox over the carbonyl group.
2. Coupling of the radicals (Ti^{2+} mediated).
3. Rearrangement with re-oxidation of Ti(II) to Ti(IV)



Olefination Reactions

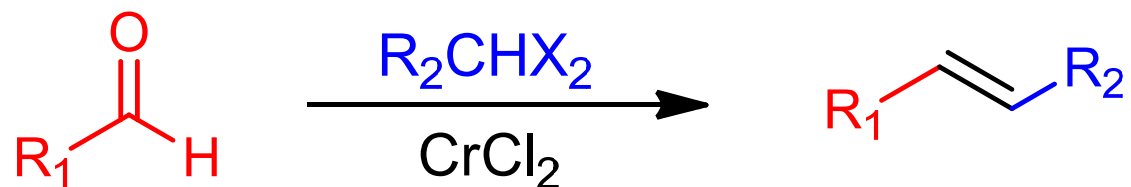
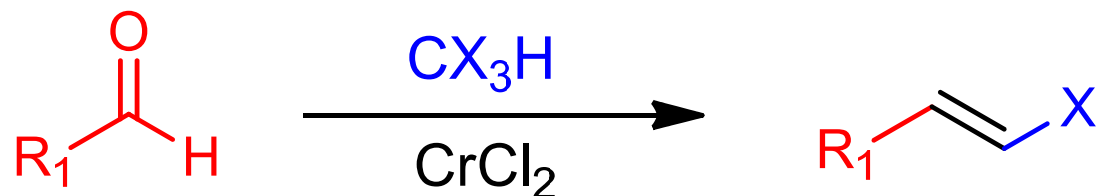
McMurry Coupling

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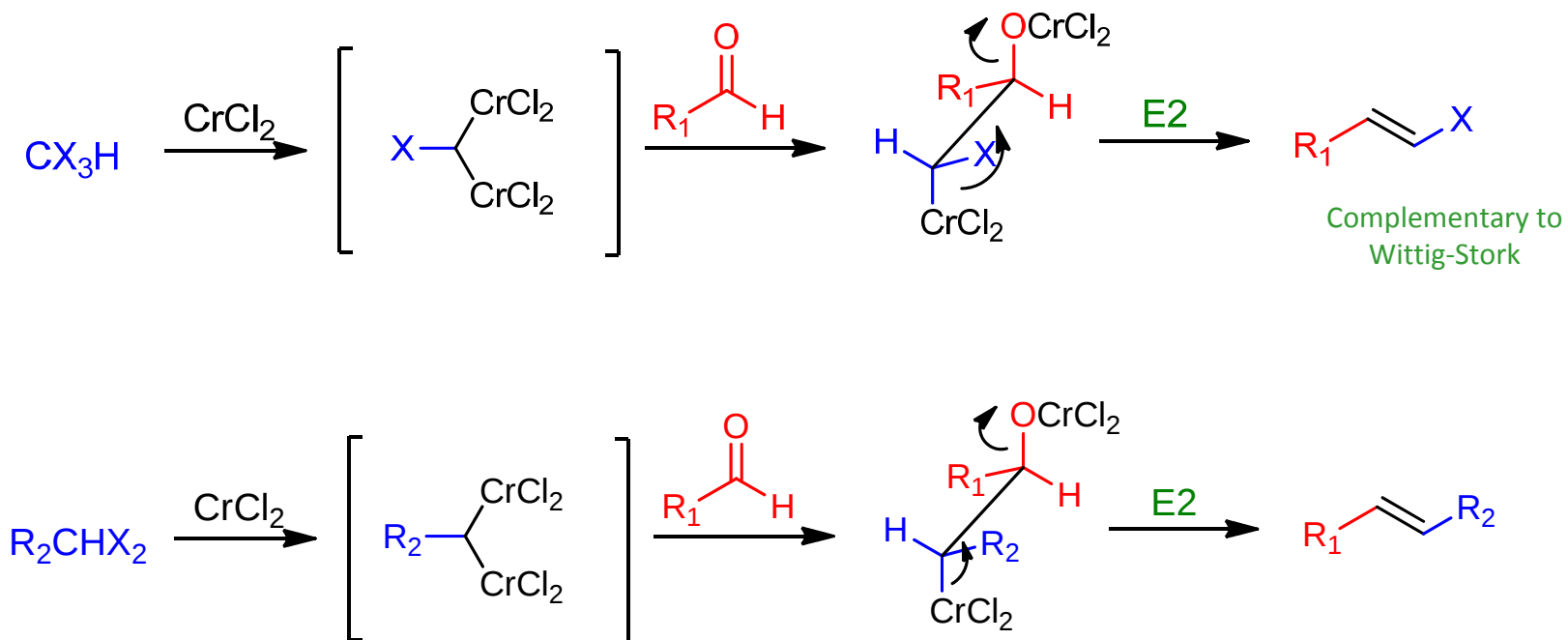
Olefination Reactions

Takai Olefination



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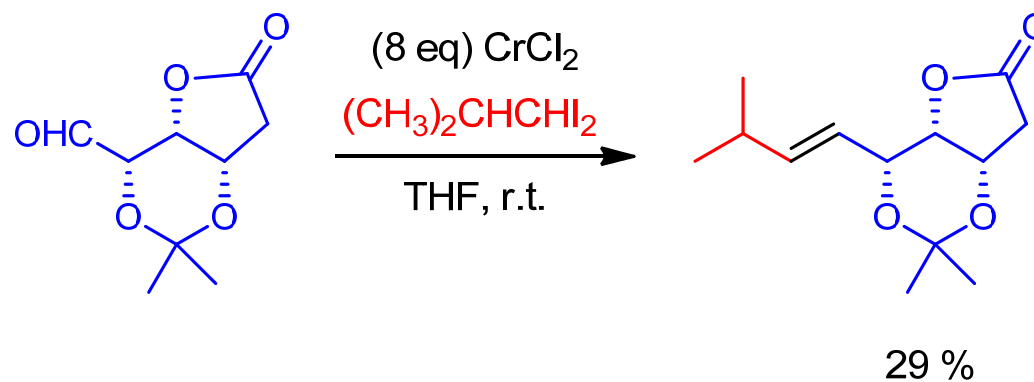
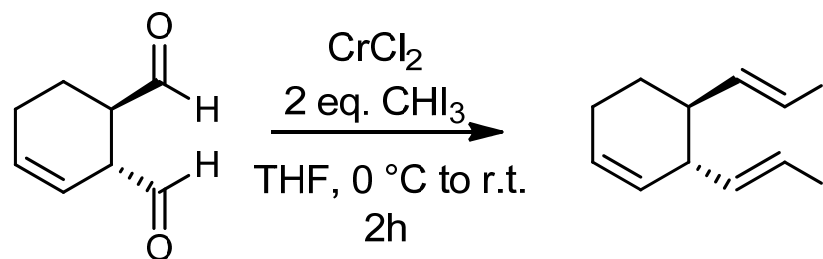
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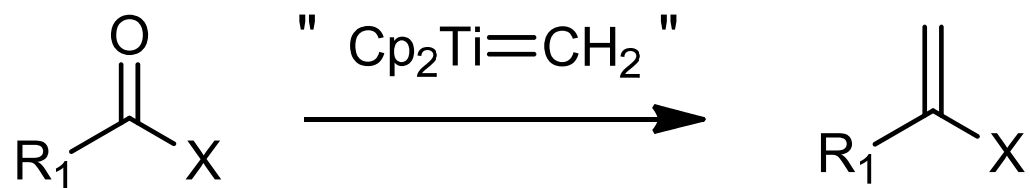
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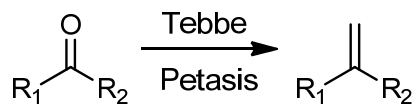
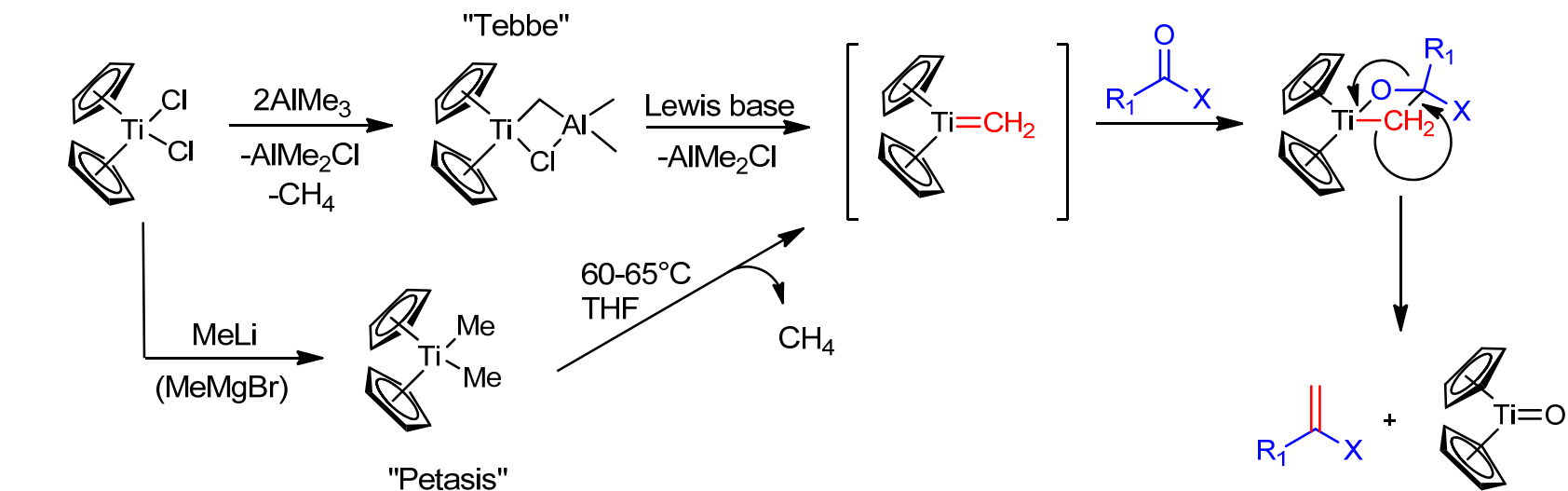
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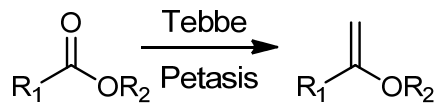


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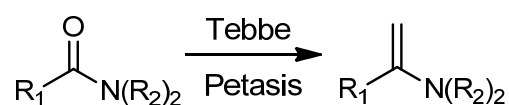
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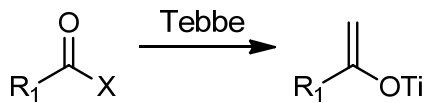
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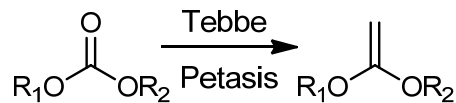
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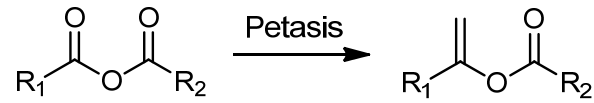
amides or lactams



acid halides and anhydrides



carbonates



anhydrides

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Tebbe/Petasis reaction

Example:

