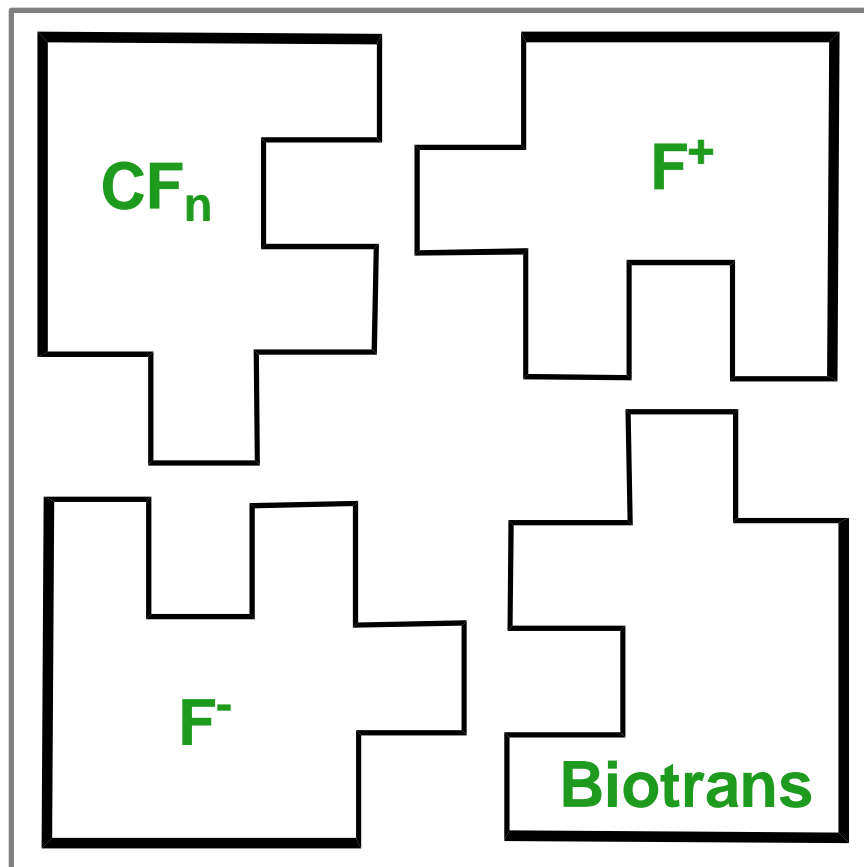


# Fluorine in the Future...



Novel effective chemical entities

Fluorination technologies

Nucleophilic

Electrophilic

Building Blocks

Biotransformations

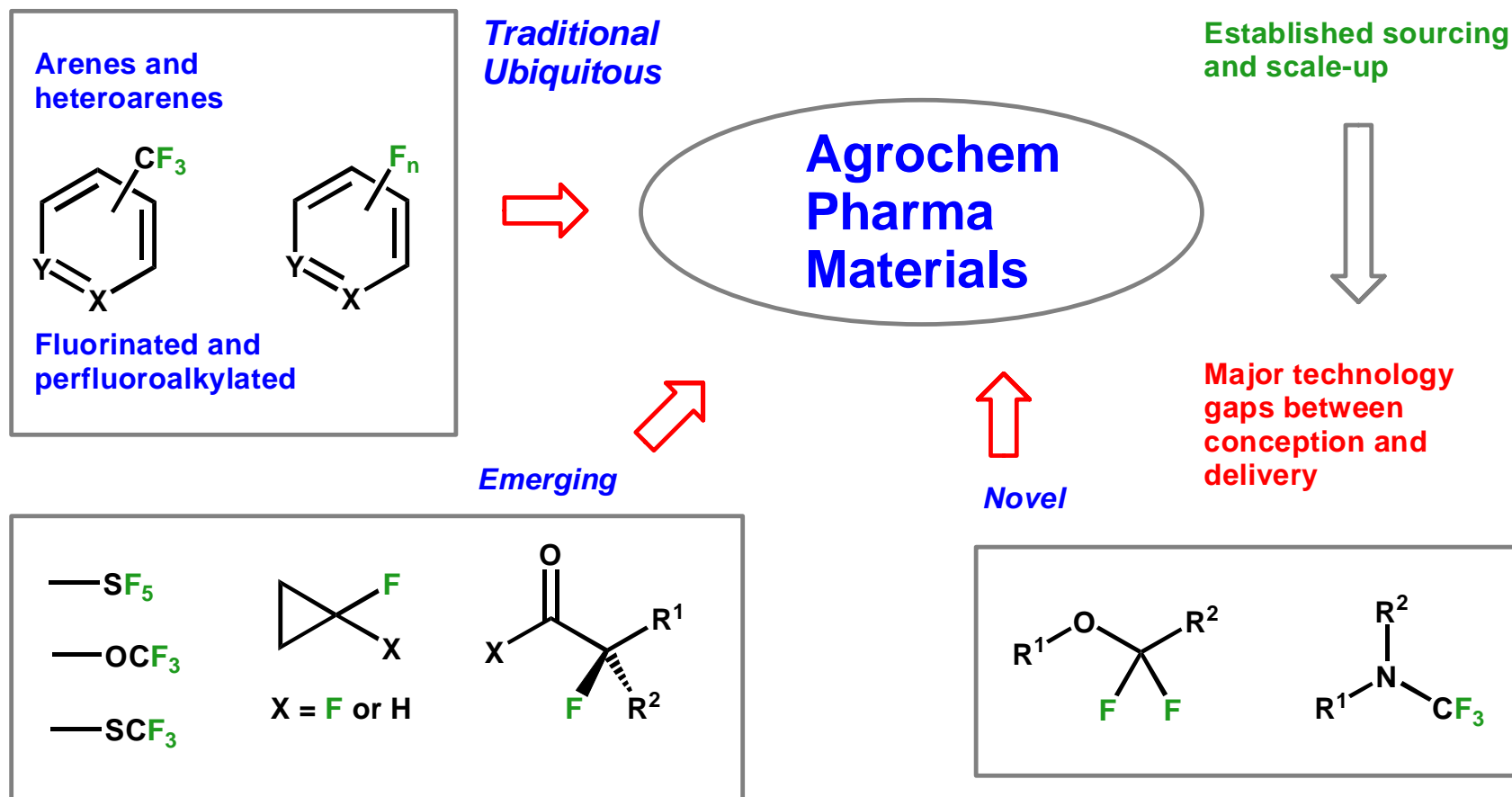
Fluorous tools

Understanding F effects



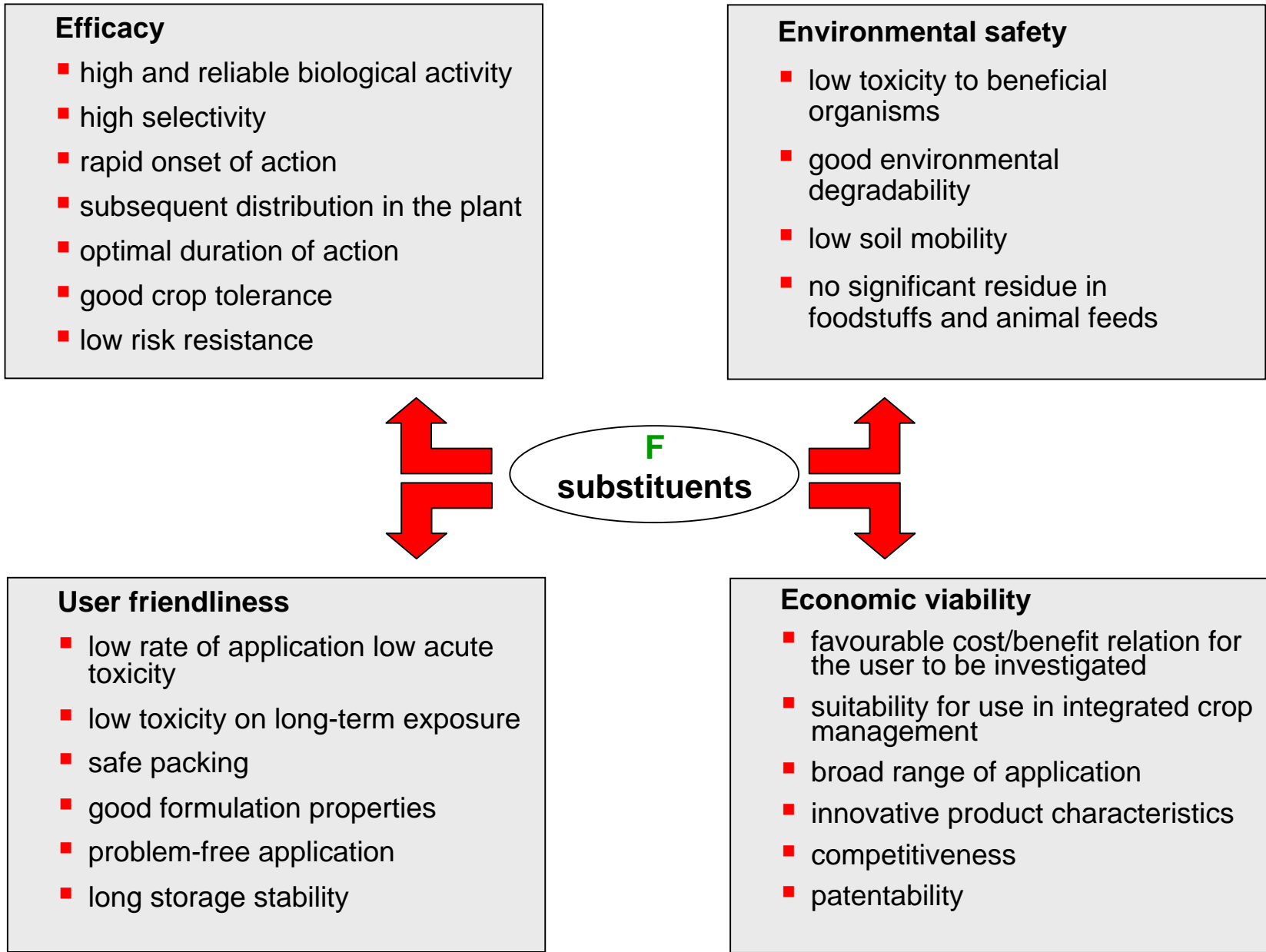
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# Fluorine in the Future...



# An Agrochem Perspective...

P. Jeschke, *ChemBioChem*, 2004, 5, 570.



# How Does Nature Do It?

REVIEW

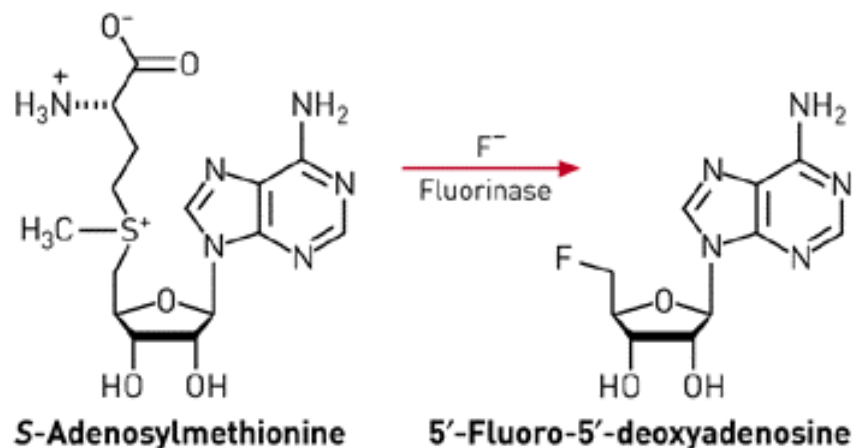
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## Fluorometabolite biosynthesis and the fluorinase from *Streptomyces cattleya*

Hai Deng,<sup>a</sup> David O'Hagan<sup>\*b</sup> and Christoph Schaffrath<sup>a</sup>

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# Raw Material to Final Product...

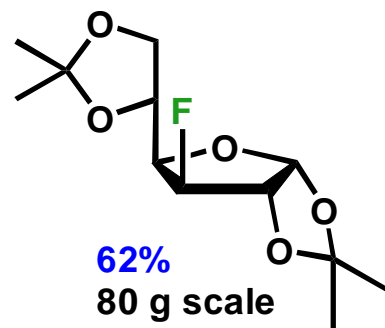


Photograph of a **fluorite** specimen from Hunan Province, China taken by Dllloyd. Sharp, violet coloured cubic fluorite crystals, measuring up to 1.6 cm (0.6") across, on dolomite ([www.wikipedia.com](http://www.wikipedia.com))

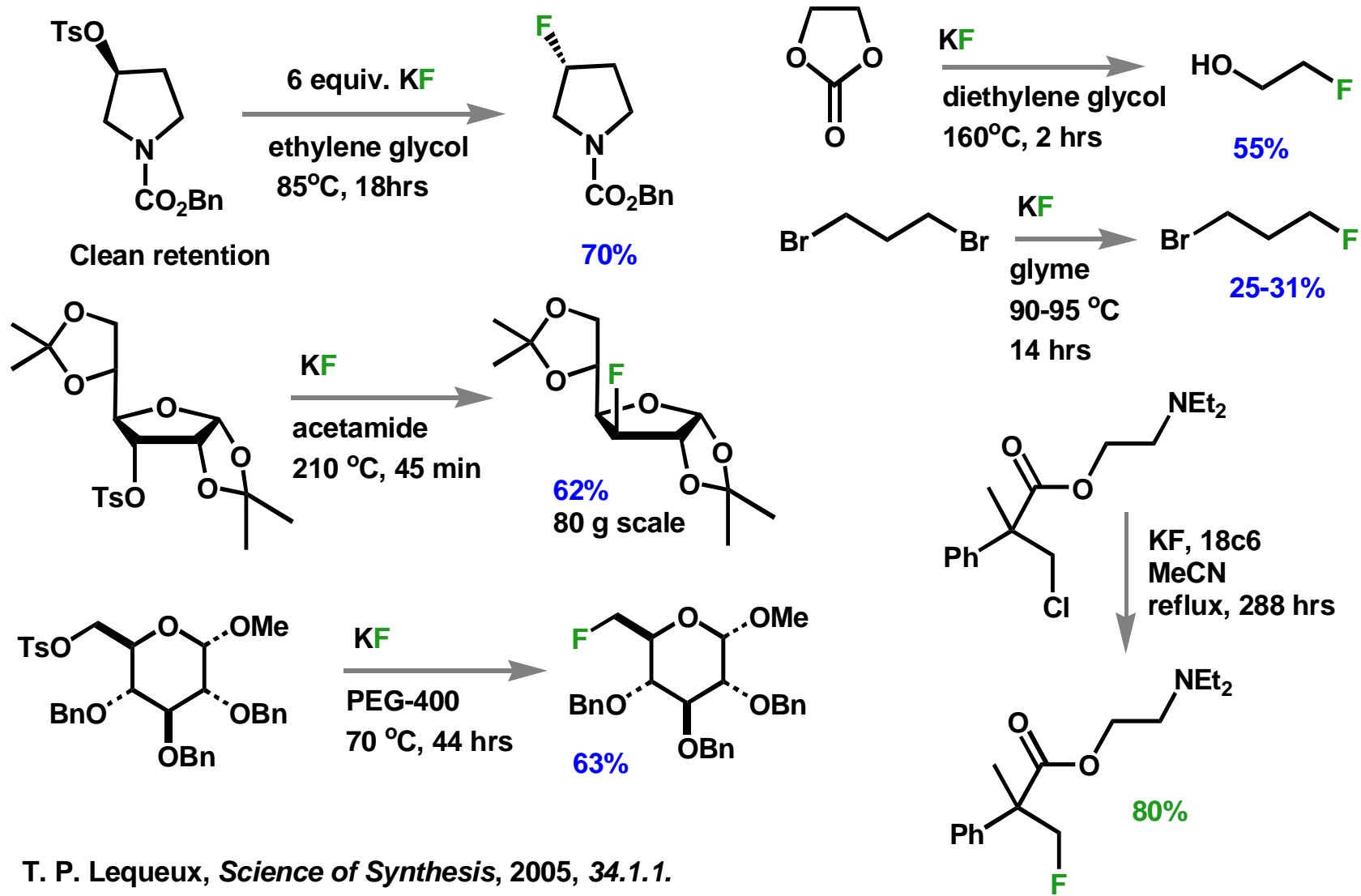
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KF  
CsF  
Bu<sub>4</sub>NF  
Et<sub>3</sub>N.HF  
Pyridine.HF

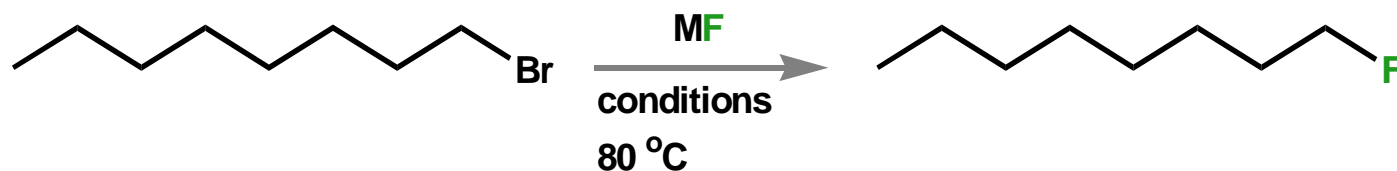


# Nucleophilic Substitution with KF...



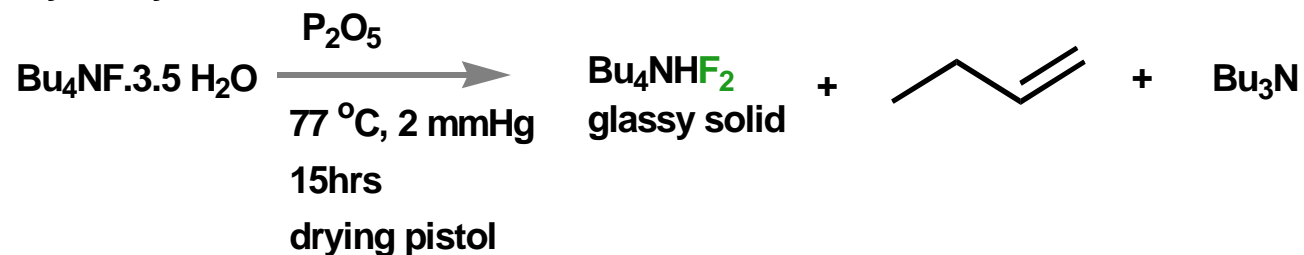
T. P. Lequeux, *Science of Synthesis*, 2005, 34.1.1.

## TBAF Behaviour and Water Content...



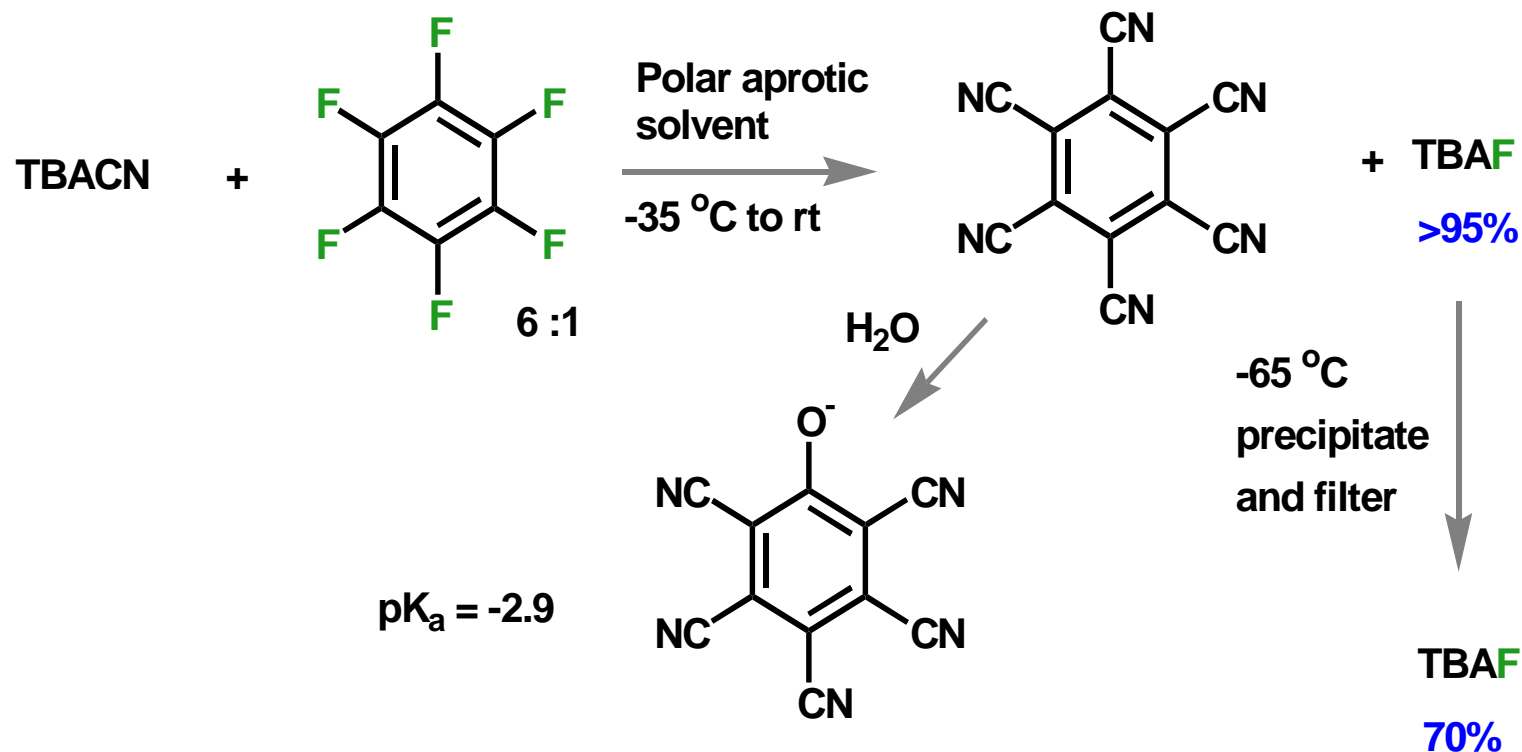
	Solvent	Time (hrs)	%Substitution	%Elimination
Bu <sub>4</sub> NF.0.5 H <sub>2</sub> O	MeCN	0.25	56	44
Bu <sub>4</sub> NF.0.5 H <sub>2</sub> O	none	0.25	53	37
Bu <sub>4</sub> NF.3.5 H <sub>2</sub> O	MeCN	0.5	87	13
Bu <sub>4</sub> NF.3.5 H <sub>2</sub> O	none	0.25	92	9
Bu <sub>4</sub> NF.5.0 H <sub>2</sub> O	MeCN	2	91	9
Bu <sub>4</sub> NF.5.0 H <sub>2</sub> O	none	0.5	81	6

If you dry it...



D. Landini, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1998, 63, 9587; J. L. Fry, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1983, 48, 2112.

## Anhydrous TBAF...



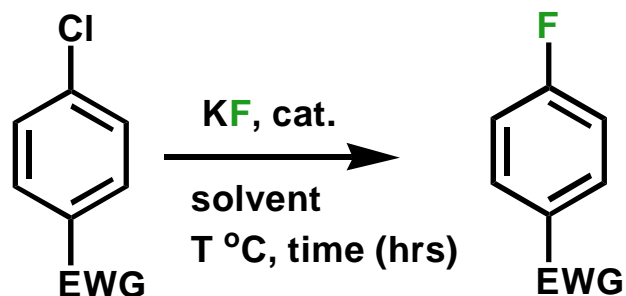
HCB/TBAF mixture in excess converts R-OH to R-F directly  
**Extremely high yields** with bromides, tosylates, denitration, acid chlorides  
Secondary bromides, tosylates not reported  
Fluoride appears less basic than anticipated  
Hydroxide implicated as base in TBAF decomposition

S. G. DiMagno, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2005, 127, 2050.



# Aromatic Halex...

A. Plescke *et al.*, *J. Fluorine Chem.*, 2004, 125, 1031-1038.



## Solubility!!

Maximum fluoride solubility in sulfolane at 180 °C  $5.2 \times 10^{-4}$  M

Catalysts operate by solid-liquid anion extraction followed by rate determining addition

G. Scorrano *et al.*, *Gazz. Chim. Italia*, 1996, 126, 457.

## Established

$\text{Ph}_4\text{PBr}$

$(\text{Et}_2\text{N})_4\text{PBr}$

## Target properties

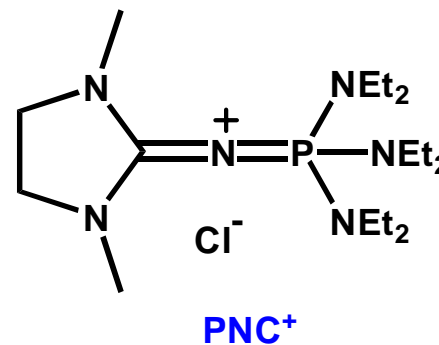
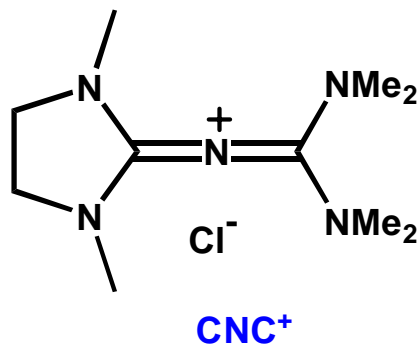
High thermal stability

Solvent free use?

Low stoichiometry

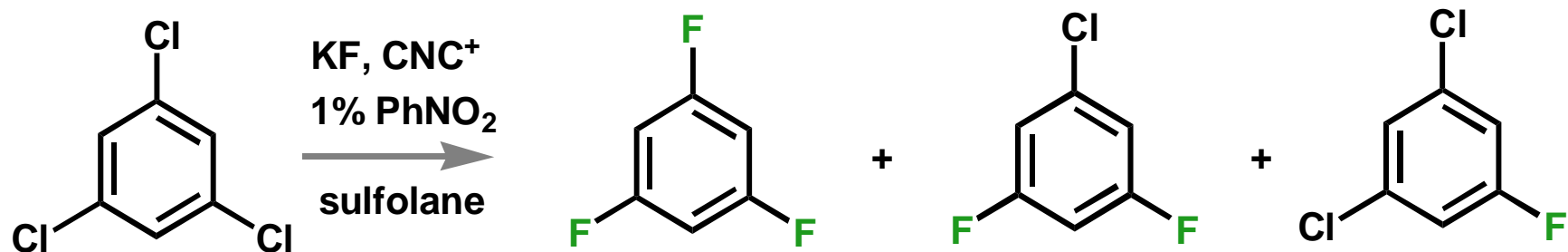
Low dermal toxicity

Patent free



# Higher Temperature Application...

Ph<sub>4</sub>PBr decomposes above 180 °C



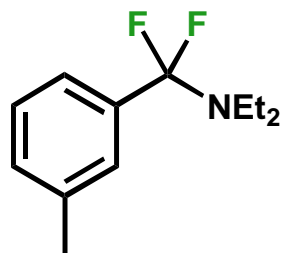
Step 1

230 °C, 12 hrs 18 : 61 : 20%

Step 2

230 °C, 4hrs 87 : 8 : 1%

# A New Thermally-stable Reagent for Deoxyfluorination...



DFMBA

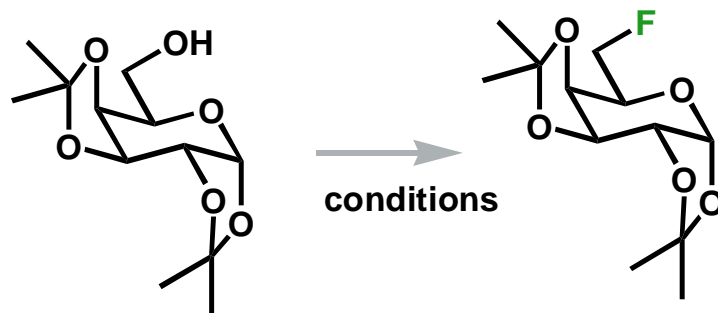
(Mitsubishi Gas Chemical Co. Inc.)

Exothermic starting point 180°C

W. Dmowski and M. Kaminski, *J. Fluorine Chem.*, 1983, 23, 219.

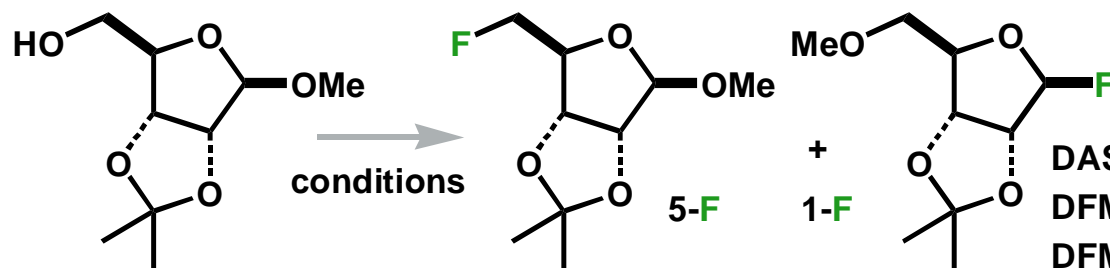
S. Hara *et al.*, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 2004, 45, 1287.

Microwave compatible



DFMBA, 150°C, 72 hours, 20% conversion

DFMBA, heptane, reflux,  $\mu$ W, 20 mins, 72%



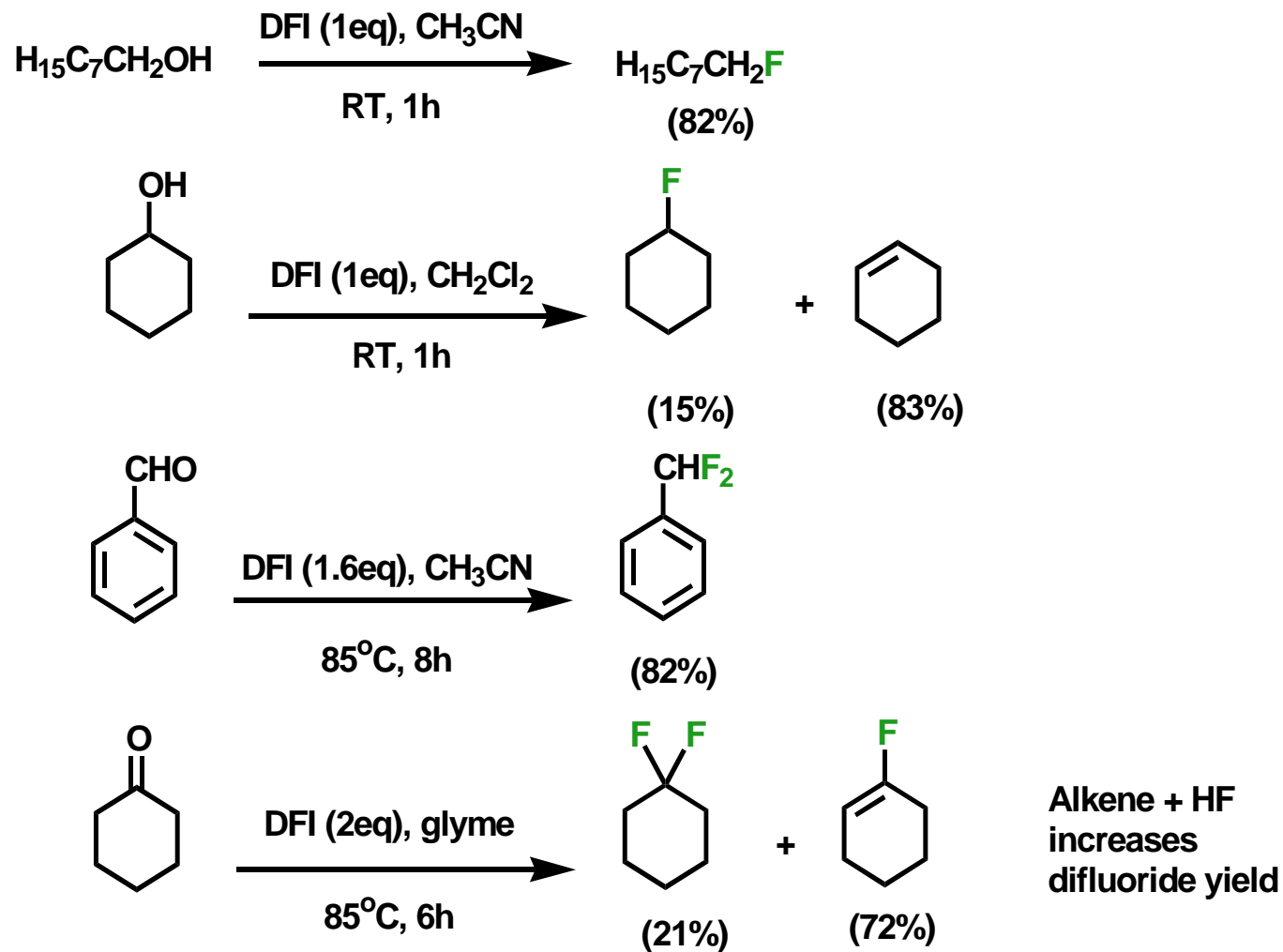
DAST delivers 1-F only!

DFMBA, heptane, reflux,  $\mu$ W, 5-F 51%, 1-F 20%

DFMBA/KF, dioxane, 100°C, 5-F 67%



## Transformations with DFI...



Hayashi, *Chem. Commun.*, 2002, 1619.

# Electrophilic Fluorinating Agents...

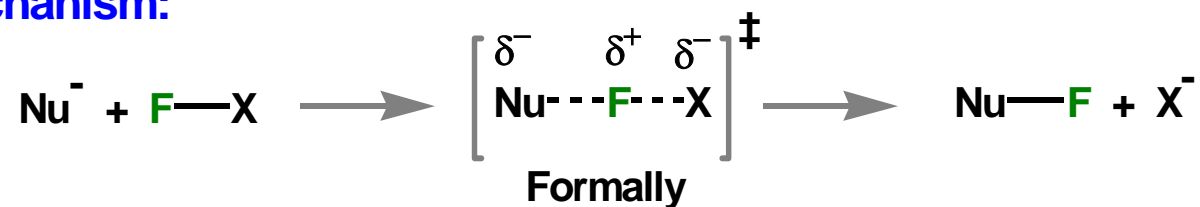
Based on X - F moiety

X is a highly electronegative atom or group

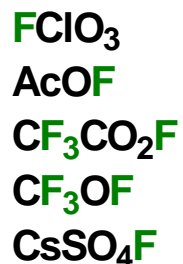
Synthesised using F<sub>2</sub>

F<sub>2</sub> is the simplest most cost effective reagent.

General Mechanism:



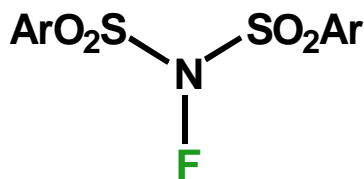
Hypofluorites



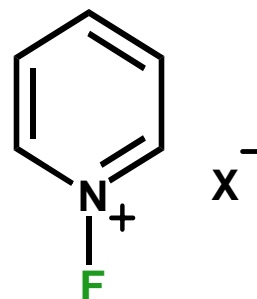
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MeOF Not fluorine  
HOF electrophiles

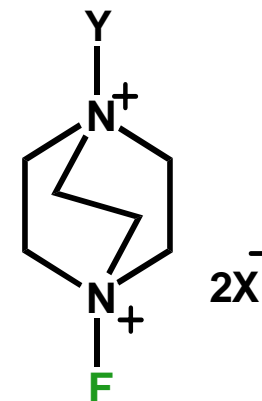
Fluoraza reagents



Neutral



Monocationic



Dicationic

# Elemental Fluorine...

Pale, greenish-yellow gas (bp -188 °C)

Generated by electrolysis of  $\text{KF}\cdot 2\text{HF}$

Very reactive, strong oxidising agent

Low solubility - reactions proceed at liquid- gas interface;

Low bond dissociation energy of fluorine (BDE,  $\text{F-F}$  157.7  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ ) *cf*  
strong  $\text{C-F}$  bond (BDE, 452-531  $\text{kJ mol}^{-1}$ )

Highly exothermic reactions between organic compounds and fluorine

High reactivity controlled by:

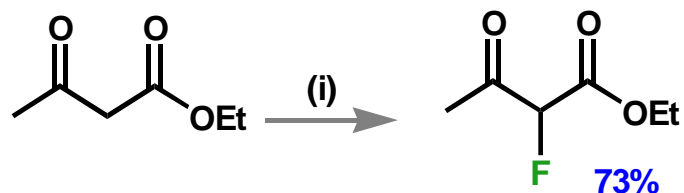
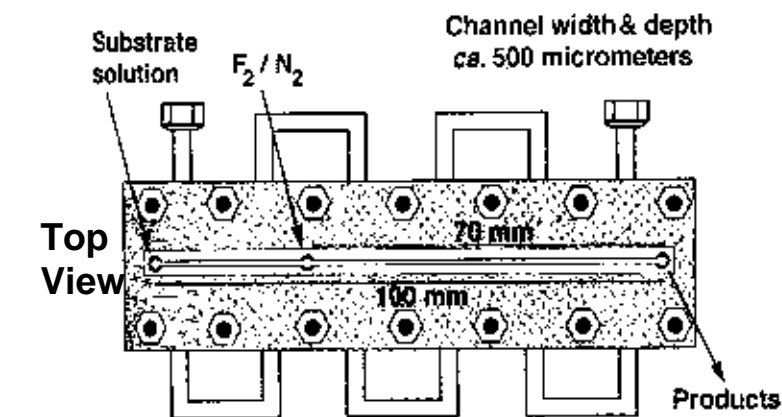
Dilution with inert gases, i.e. 5-10%  $\text{F}_2/\text{N}_2$

Low reaction temperatures

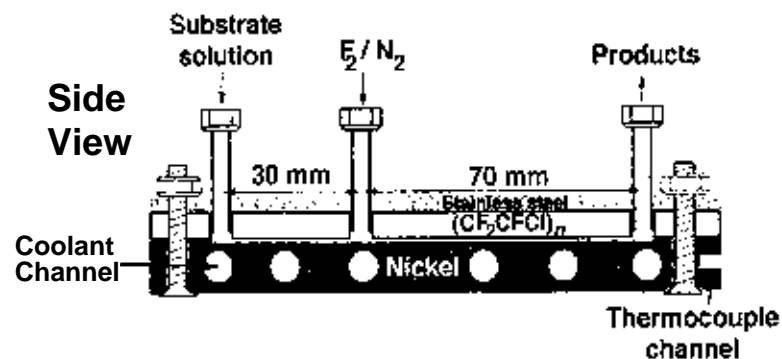
Many users insist diluted  $\text{F}_2/\text{N}_2$  or  $\text{F}_2/\text{He}$  *is no more hazardous than  $\text{Cl}_2$*

# Microreactors for elemental fluorinations

- Advantages:
- i) small amount of fluorine
  - ii) excellent gas/liquid mixing via cylindrical flow
  - iii) excellent heat exchange and temperature control
  - iv) straightforward scale-up

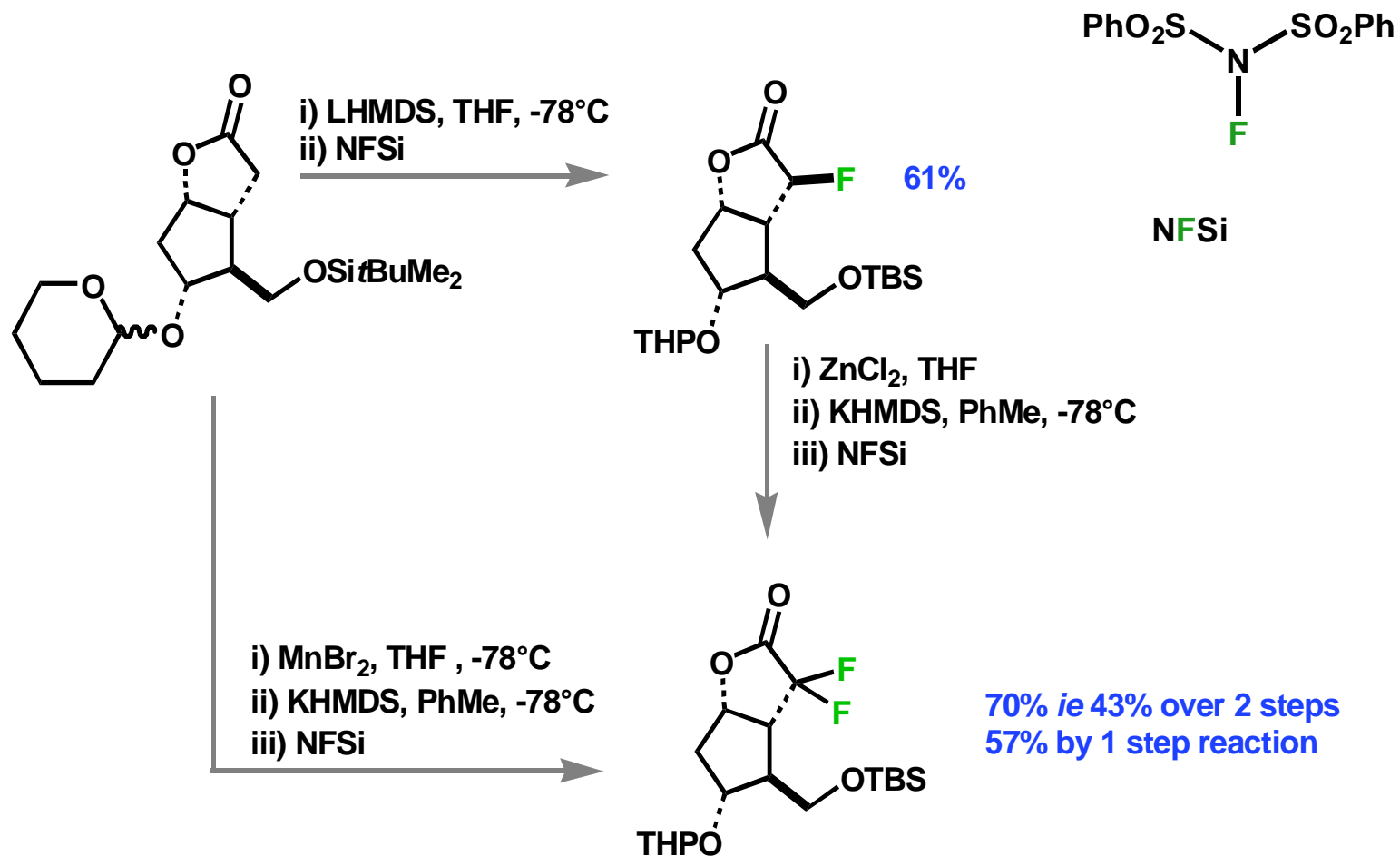


(i) 10%  $F_2/N_2$  ( $10 \text{ ml min}^{-1}$ ),  $5^\circ\text{C}$ ,  $HCO_2H$  ( $0.5 \text{ ml h}^{-1}$ )



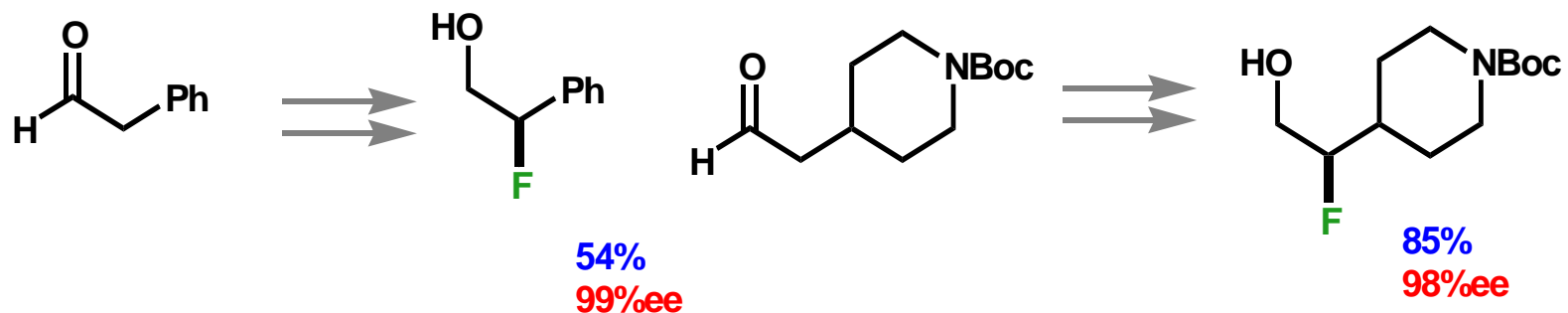
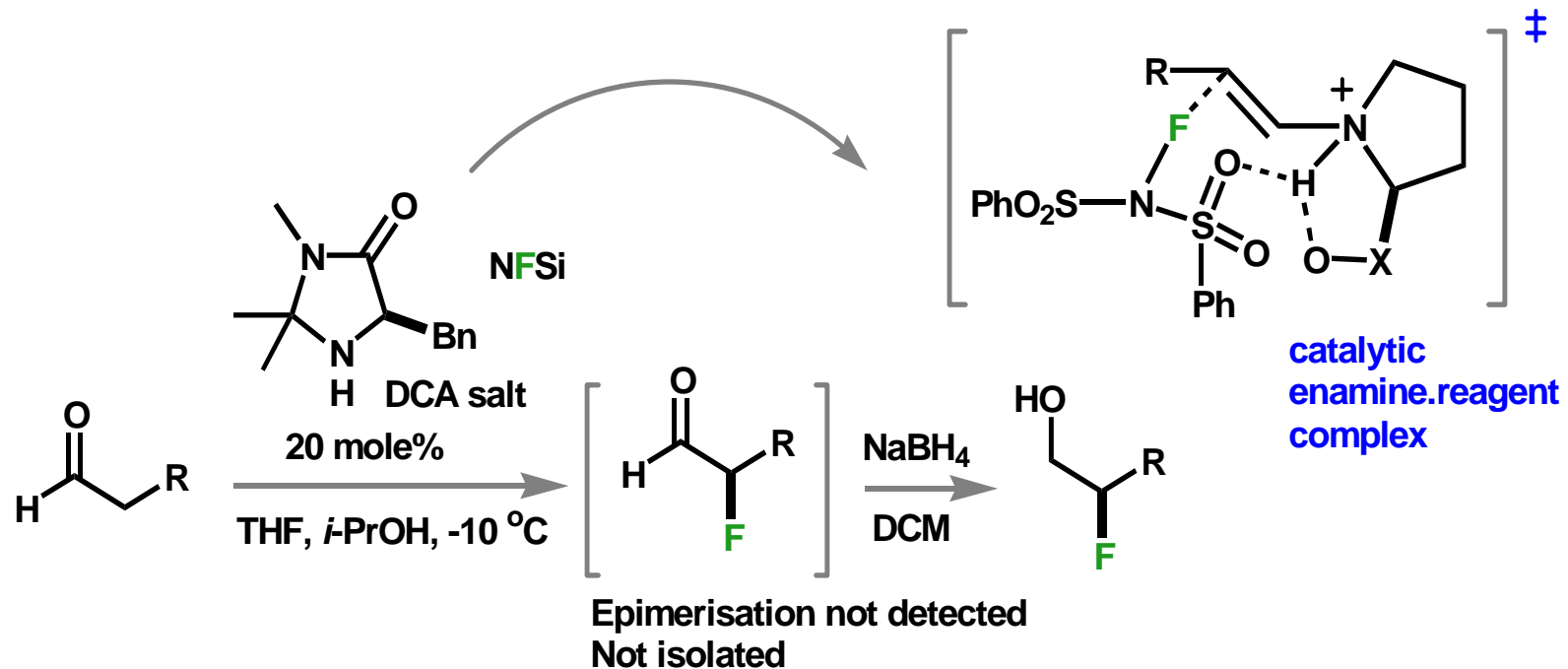


## Lactone Fluorination: Role of the Metal...



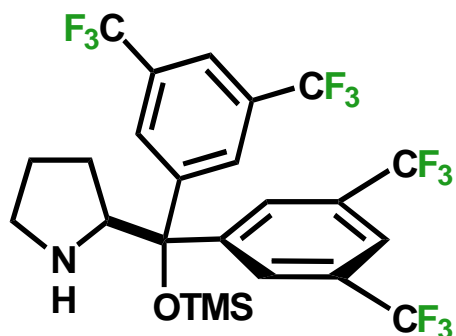
Matsumura, *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Engl.*, 1996, 35, 1019-1021.

# Organocatalytic Enantioselective Fluorination...



D. W. C. MacMillan, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 2005, 127, 8826.

## Other Organocatalytic Aldehyde Fluorinations...



### Jørgensen

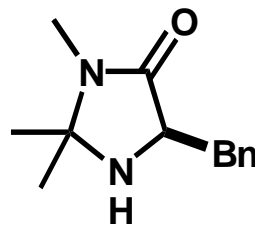
1 mol% cat.

MTBE, rt

8 linear aldehydes

55-95%

91-97%ee (S)



### Barbas

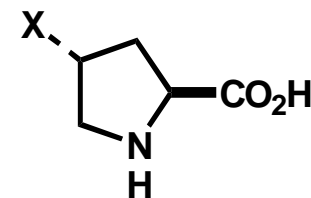
30-100 mol% cat.

DMF, 4 °C

6 linear aldehydes

40-90%

86-96%ee (S)



### Enders

30 mol% cat.

MeCN, 0 °C eg. X = OH

4 linear aldehydes

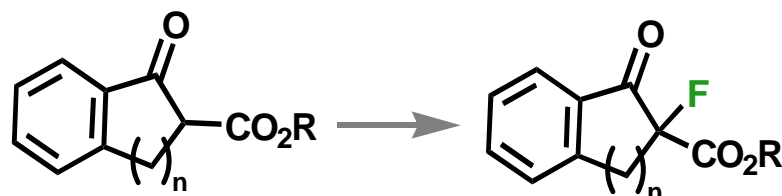
60-75%

low ee

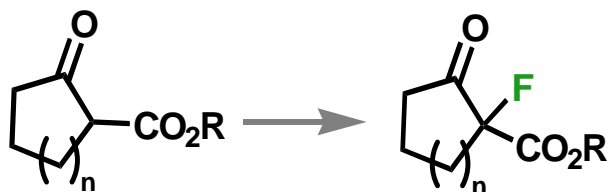
(1.5 eq. F-TEDA used)

D. Enders, *Synlett*, 2005, 991; K. A. Jørgensen, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, 2005, 44, 3703; C. F. Barbas III, *ibid*, 3706.; see also P. M. Pihko, *ibid*, 2006, 45, 544.

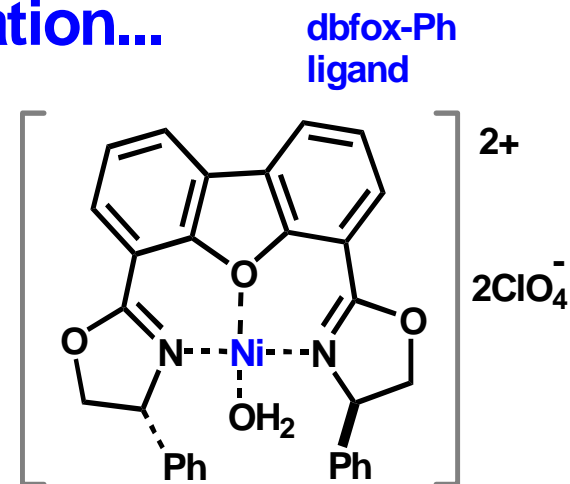
# Shibata/Toru Ni(II)-Catalysed Fluorination...



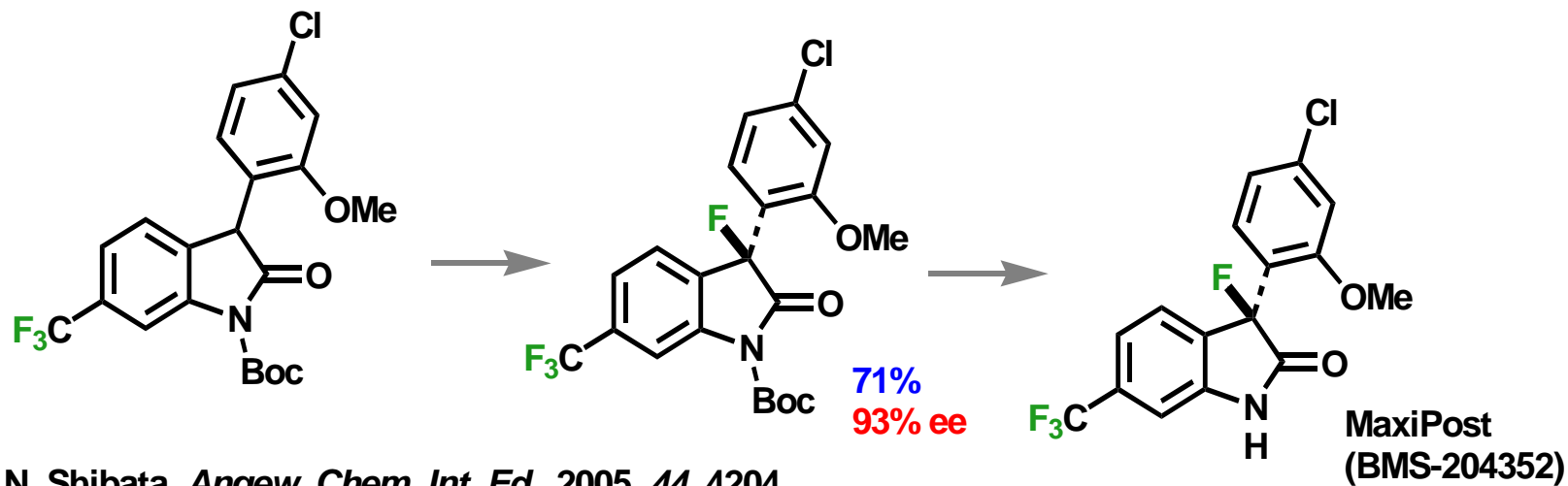
4 examples  
 $n = 1$  or  $2$   
66-93%  
95-99% ee



2 examples  
 $n = 1$  or  $2$   
84, 64%  
93, 99% ee

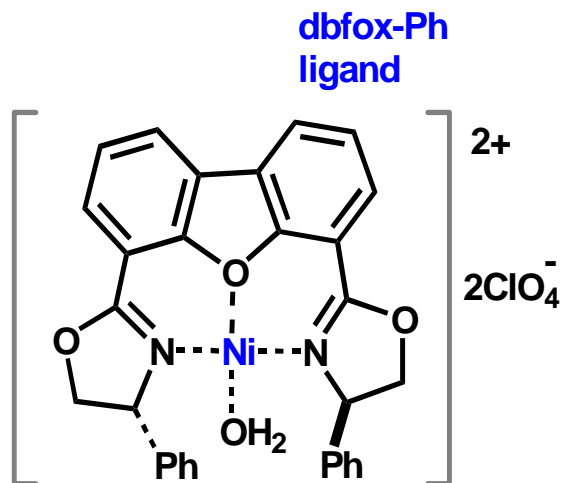


Conditions: 2-10 mol% cat.  
NFSi (1.2 eq.), DCM, rt  
4Å sieves

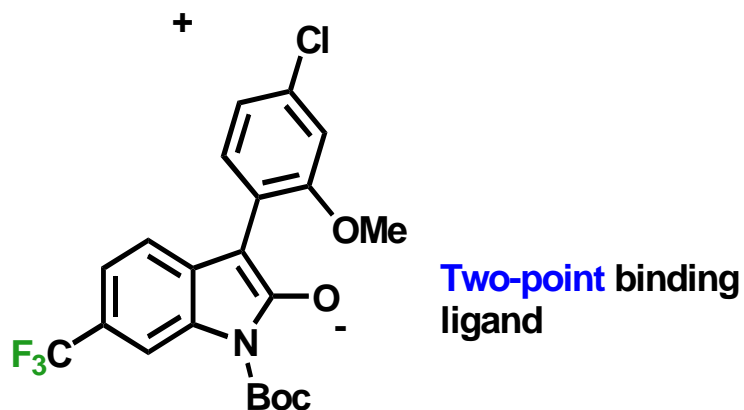
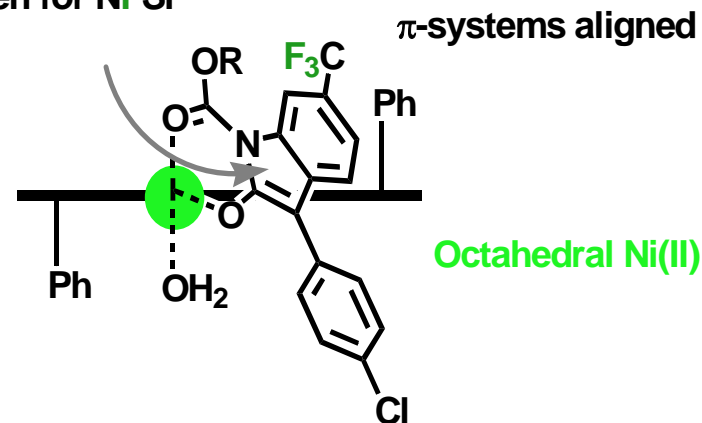


N. Shibata, *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.*, 2005, 44, 4204.

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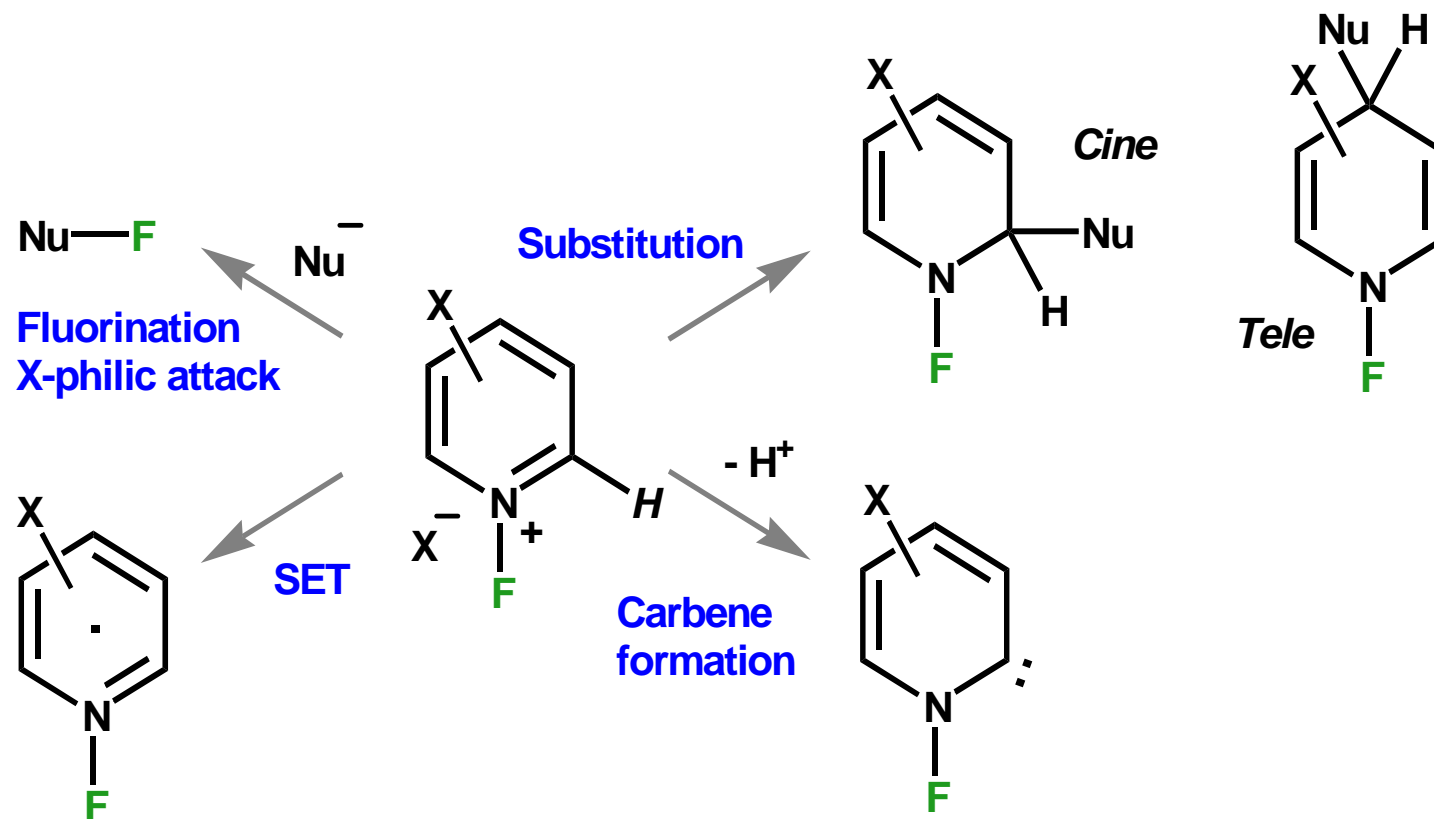


this face open for NFSi  
to approach



Cu(II) square pyramidal geometry  
changes the sense of enantioselection

# General Properties of *N*-Fluoropyridinium Salts...

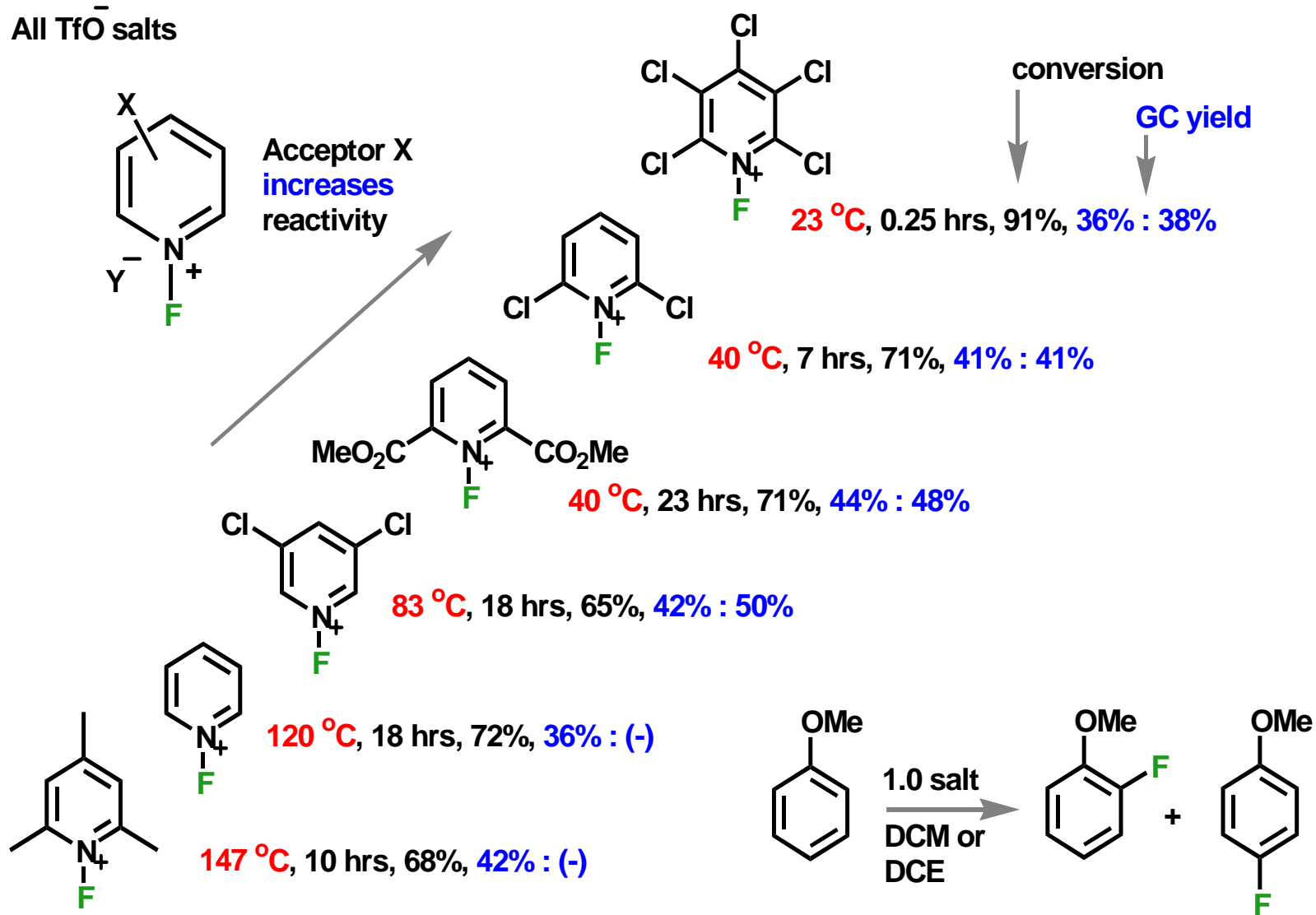


X modulates this manifold of reactions

A. S. Kiselyov, *Chem. Soc., Rev.*, 2005, 34, 1031.

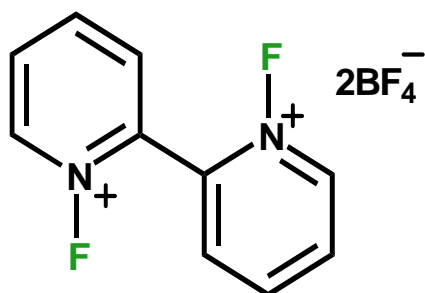
# N-Fluoropyridinium Salts for Fluorination...

All TfO<sup>-</sup> salts



T. Umemoto *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 1990, 112, 8563.

## N,N'-DiFluorobipyridinium Salts for Fluorination...

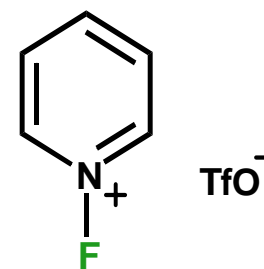


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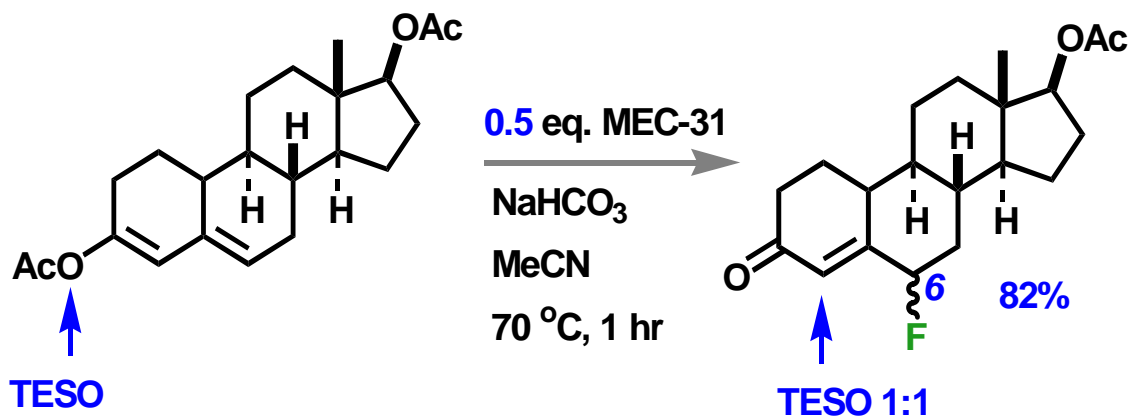
High F content

$103 \text{ g Kg}^{-1}$

Bipy salt reacts with:  
active methylenes  
phenols  
resorcinol  
anisole  
phenylurethane  
tetralone  
vinyl acetates  
silyl enol ethers



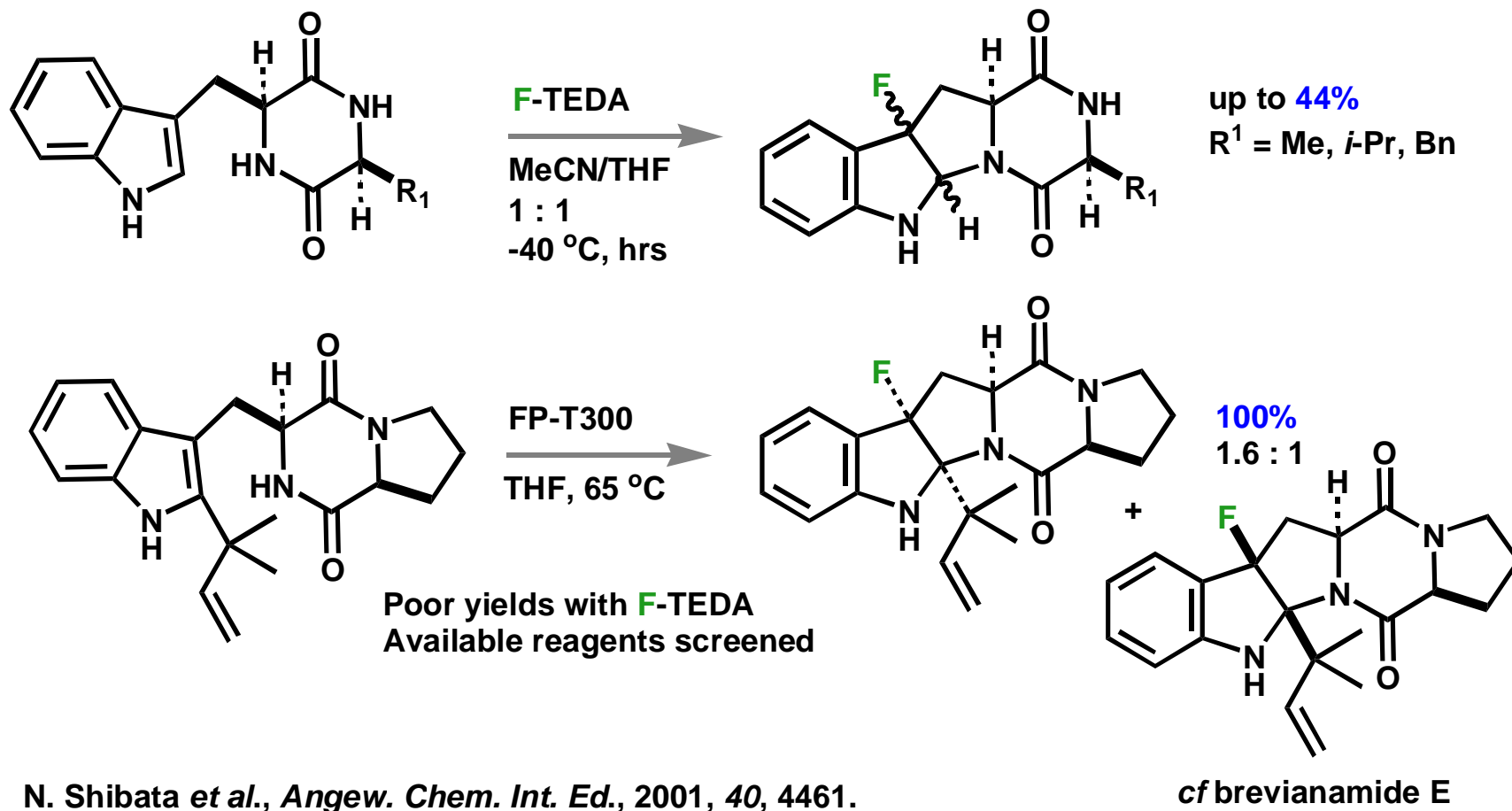
Similar content  
Less reactive



T. Umemoto *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 1998, 63, 3379.

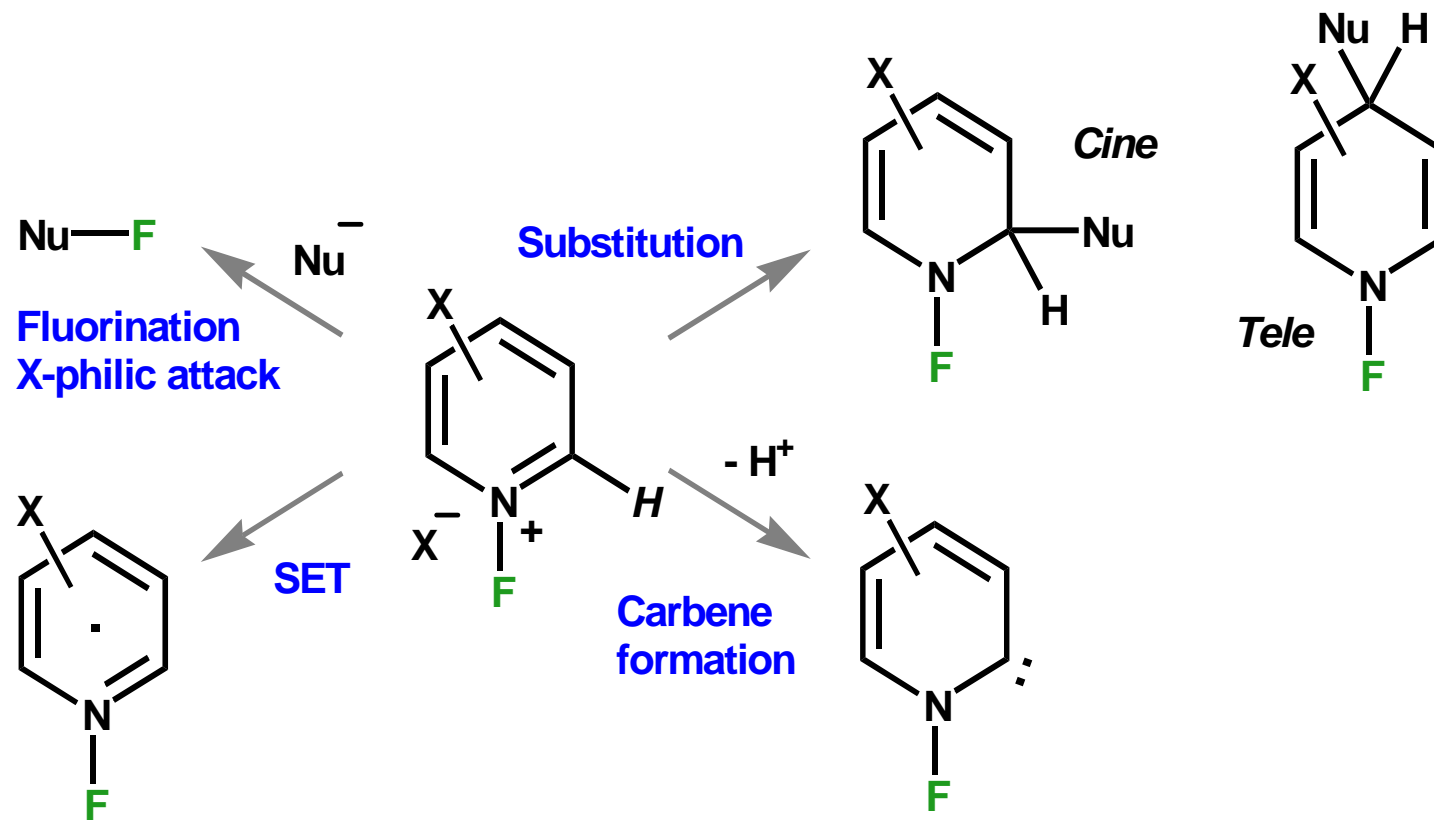


## Cyclisation Triggered by Electrophilic Fluorination...



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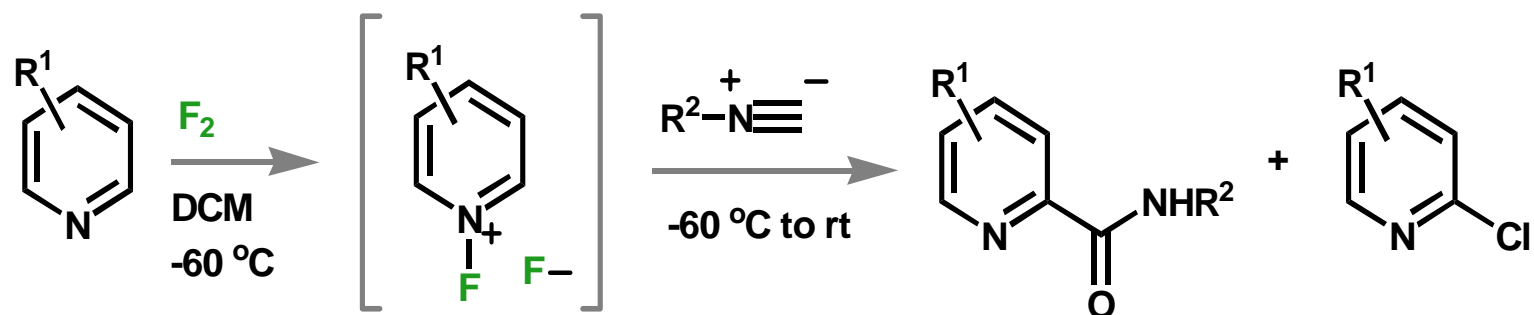
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## Carbenes from *N*-Fluoropyridinium Salts...

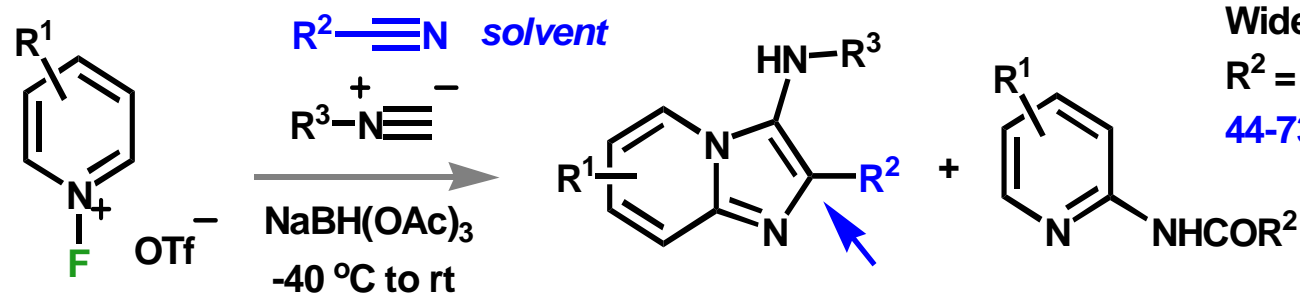
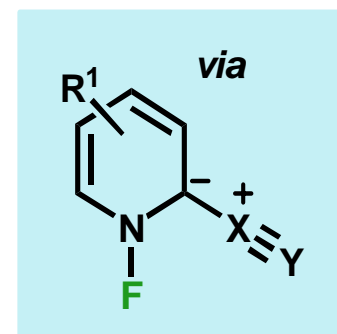
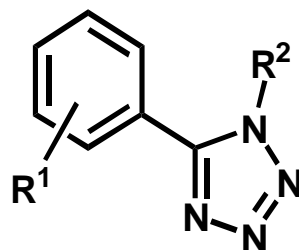


R<sup>1</sup> = H, 2-Me, 3-Me, 4-Me, 2-Cl, 4-Cl, 2-OMe, 2-Ph, 2-CO<sub>2</sub>Me

R<sup>2</sup> = *n*-Bu, *t*-Bu, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>11</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et, Bn, PhNO<sub>2</sub>

Ester 31-71%, chloride 40-11%

As above with TMSN<sub>3</sub>

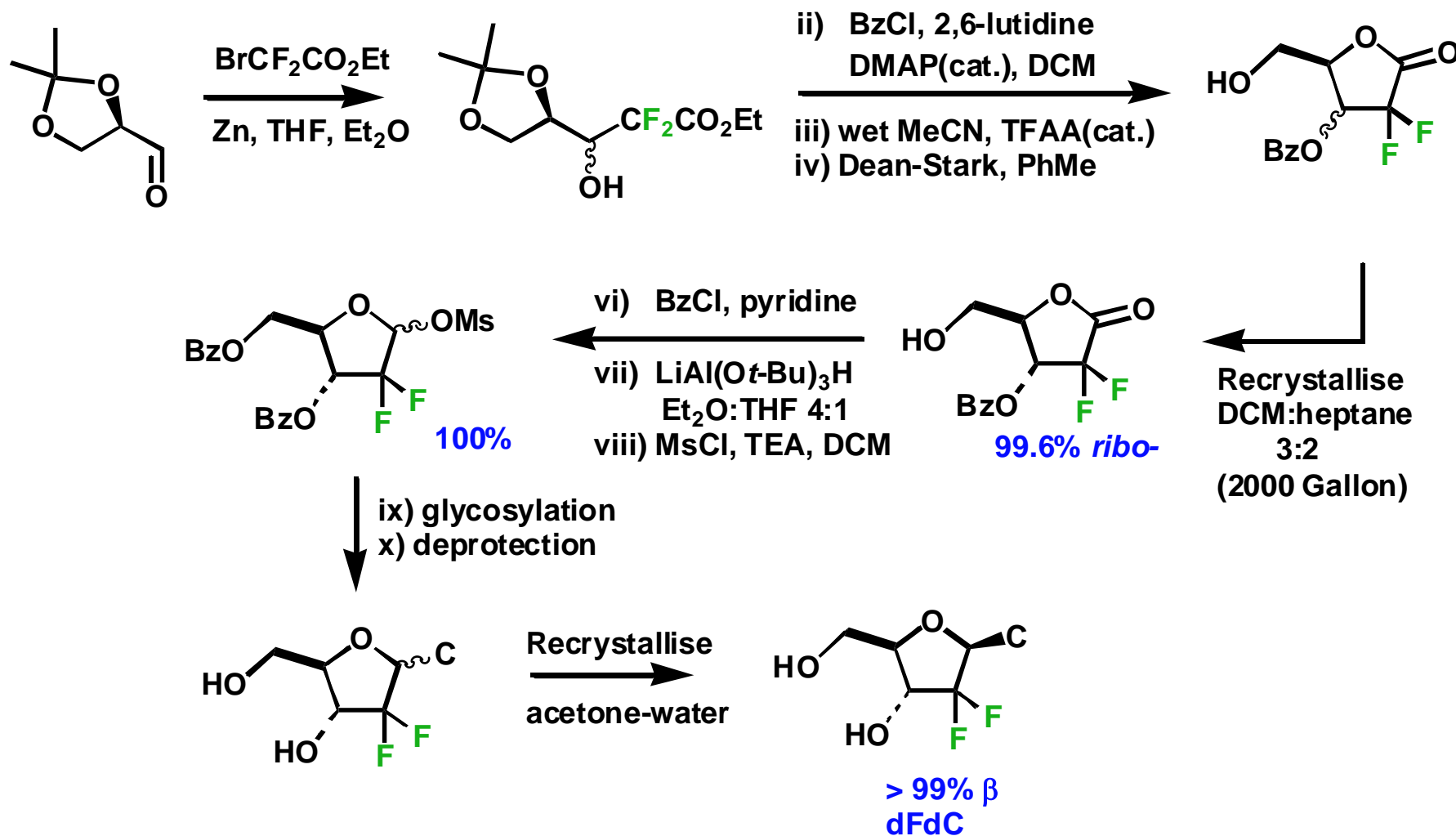


Wide variation in R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>3</sup>

R<sup>2</sup> = Me, Et

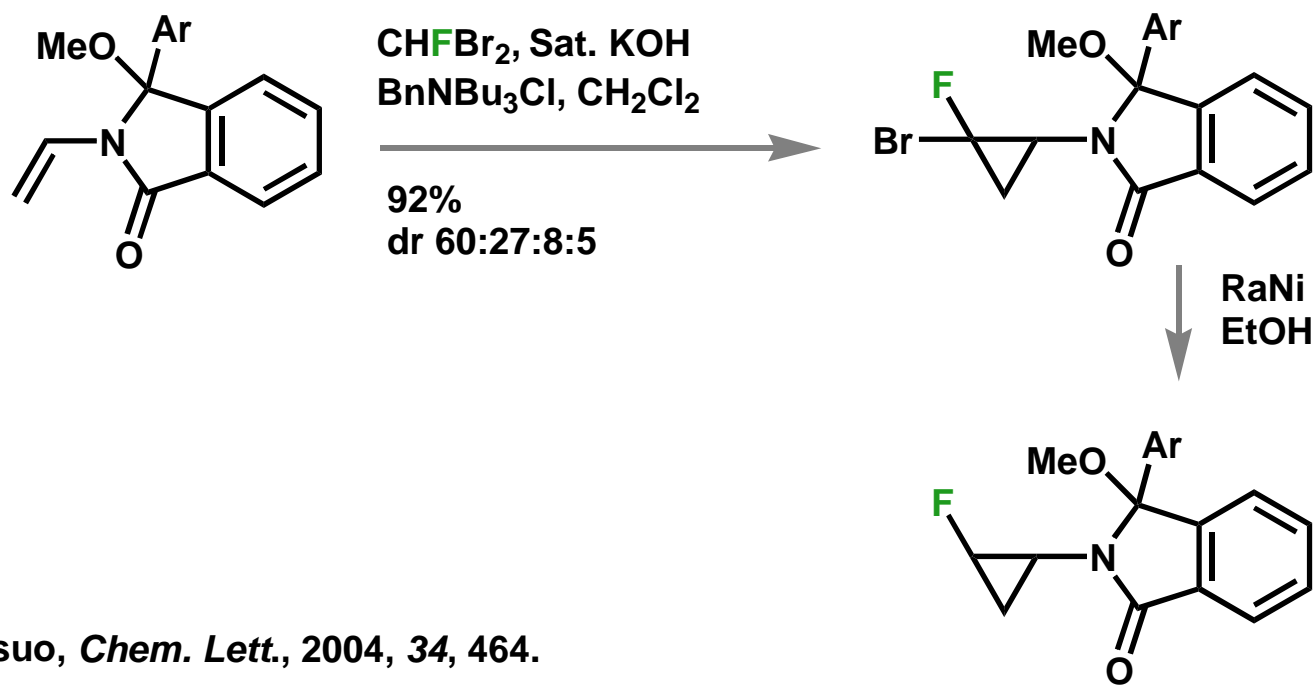
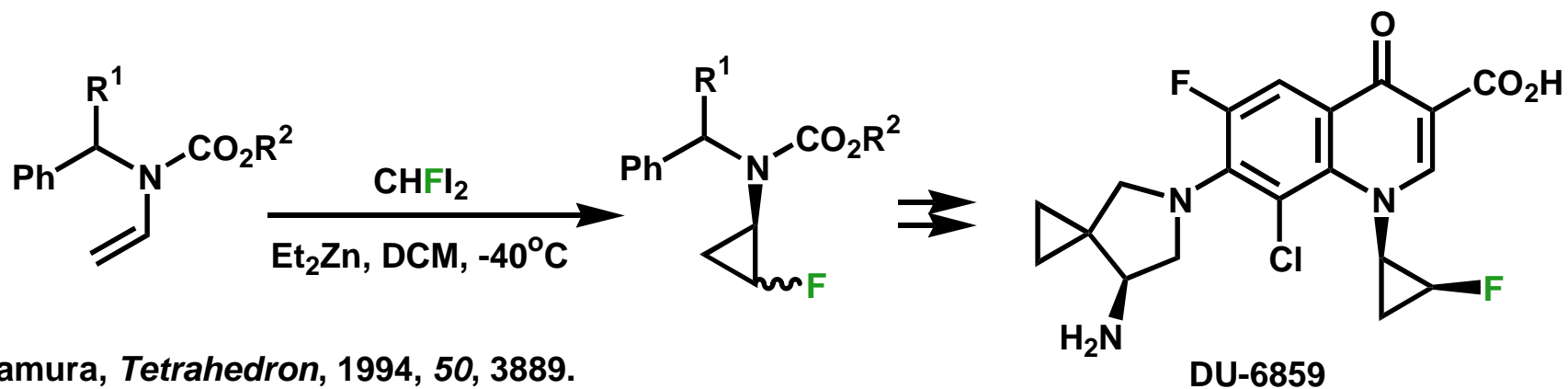
44-73% ←

# Gemcitabine (dFdC) by the Kilogramme: A Building Block Approach...



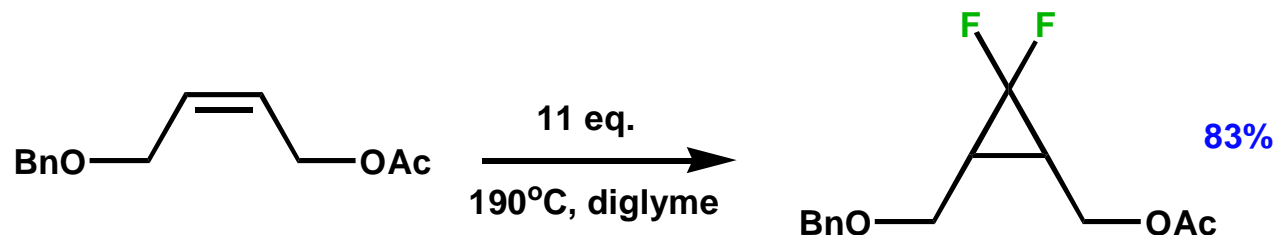
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## Fluorocyclopropane Synthesis...

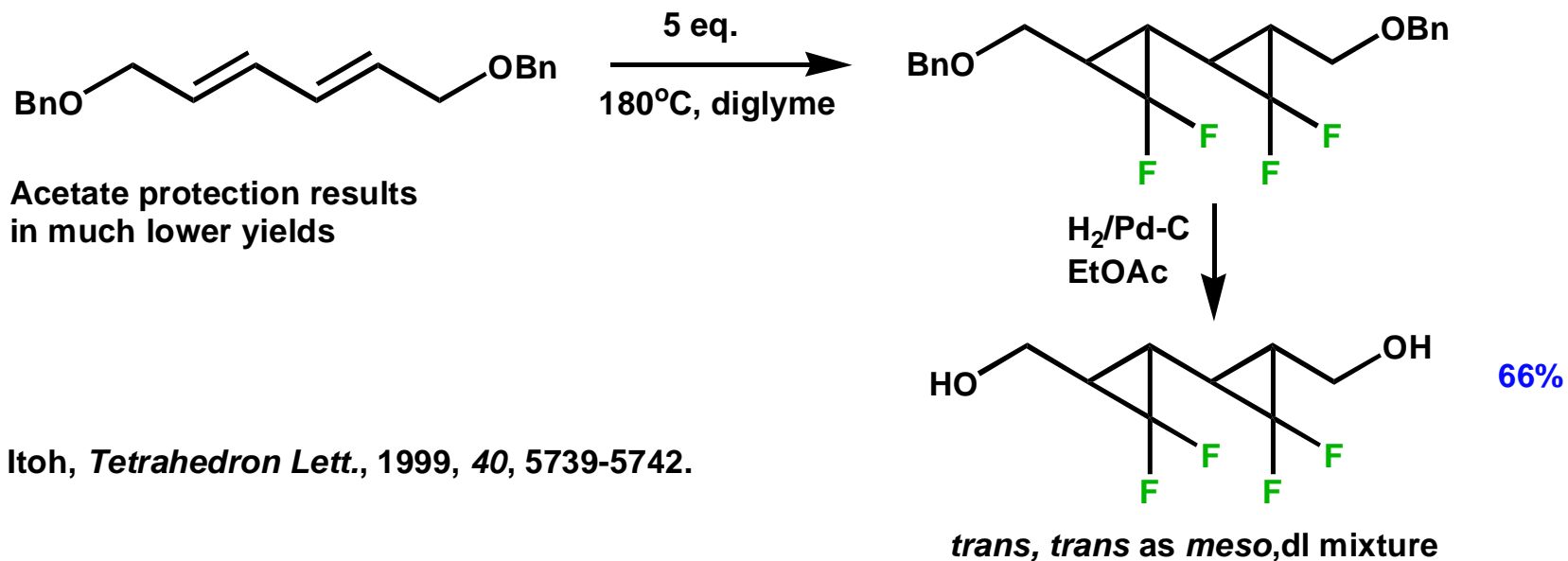


## Low-cost Difluorocyclopropanation...

$\text{ClCF}_2\text{CO}_2\text{Na}$  is a cheap (though inefficient) source of difluorocarbene

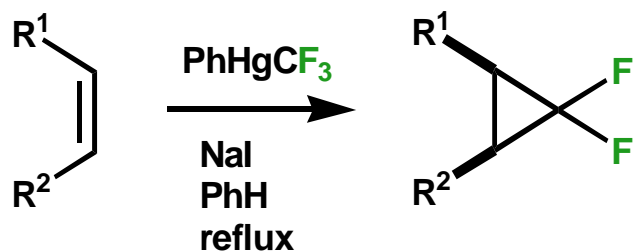
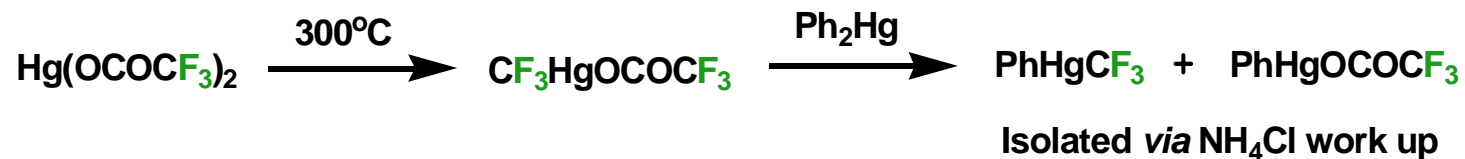


Csuk, *Tetrahedron*, 1998, 64, 6445.



Itoh, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 1999, 40, 5739-5742.

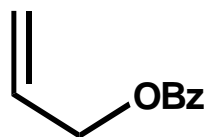
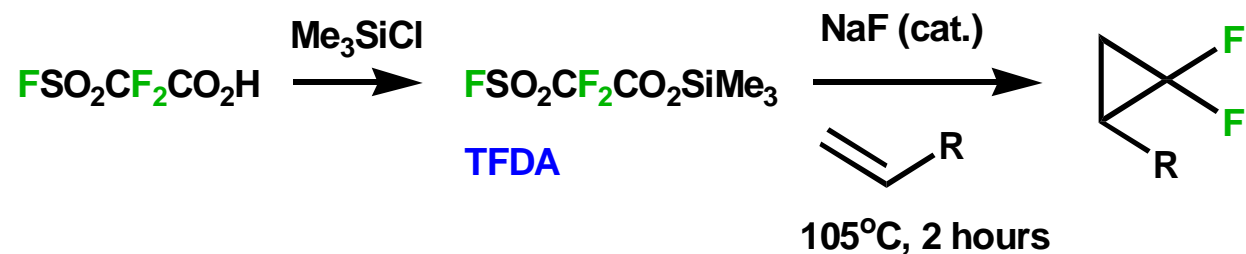
## The Most Reactive Reagent for Difluorocarbene Transfer...



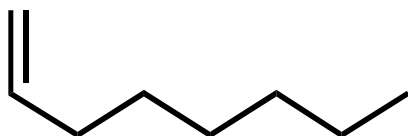
Substrate	Yield of cyclopropane
	83%
	100%
	53%
	84%
	70%
	67%
	72%
	26%

D. Seyferth and S. P. Hopper, *J. Org. Chem.*, 1972, 37, 4070.

# The Most Reactive Practical Reagent for Difluorocyclopropanation...

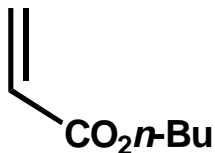


78%



74%

PhCO<sub>2</sub>Me added  
(0.5 eq.)



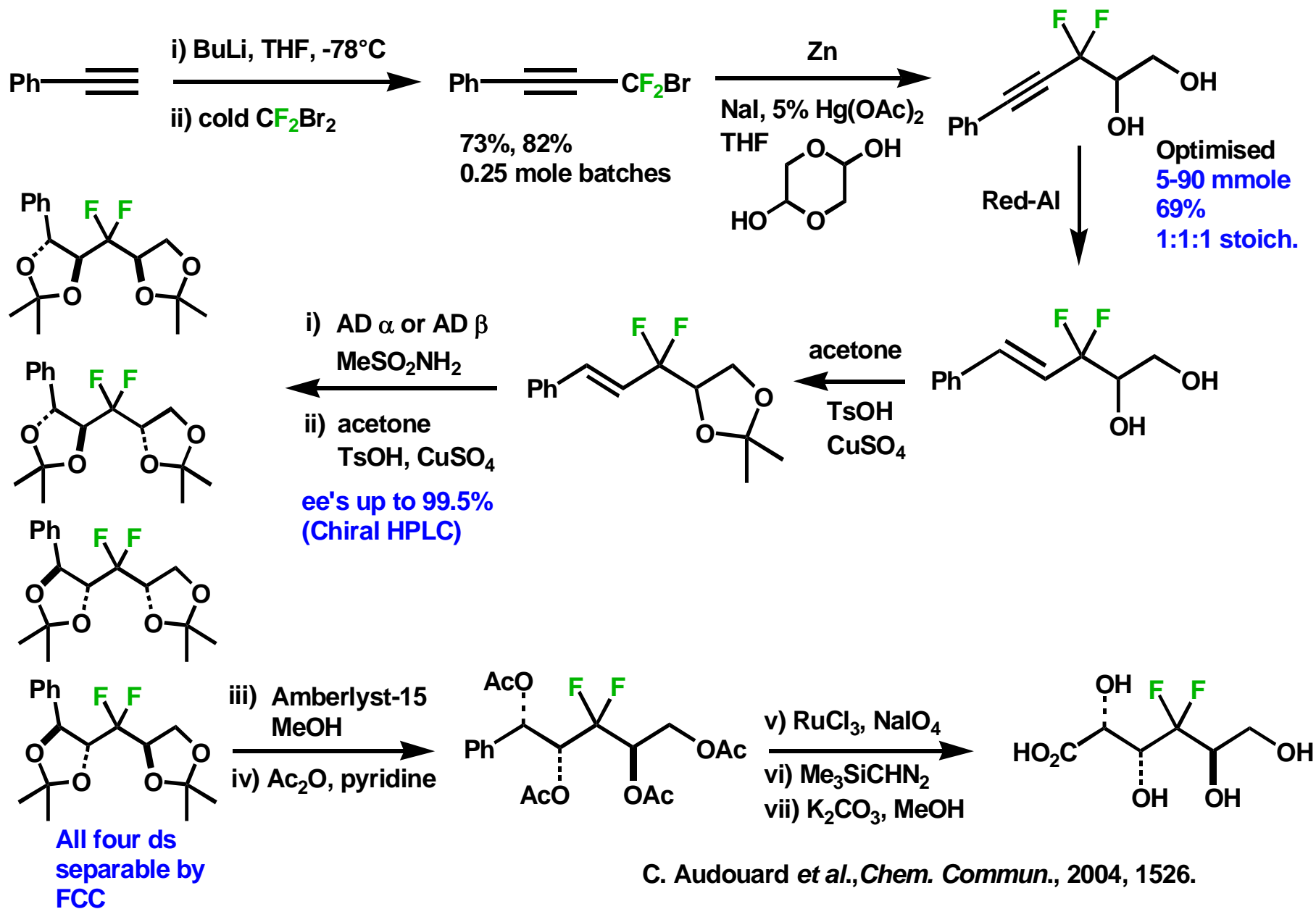
73%

PhCO<sub>2</sub>Me added  
(2.0 eq.)

All other methods fail for  
such deactivated substrates



# An Asymmetric Route to Difluorinated Aldonic Acids...



C. Audouard *et al.*, *Chem. Commun.*, 2004, 1526.

# Alternative Reagents for Trifluoromethylation...



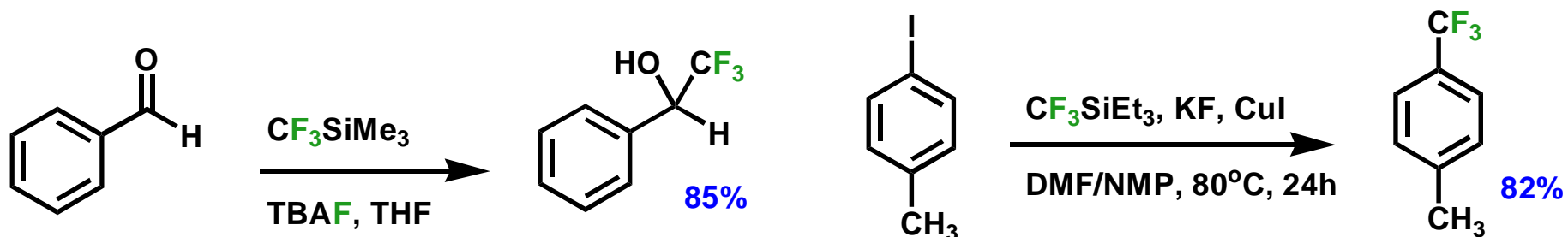
Wide and useful chemistry

Transfers trifluoromethyl group

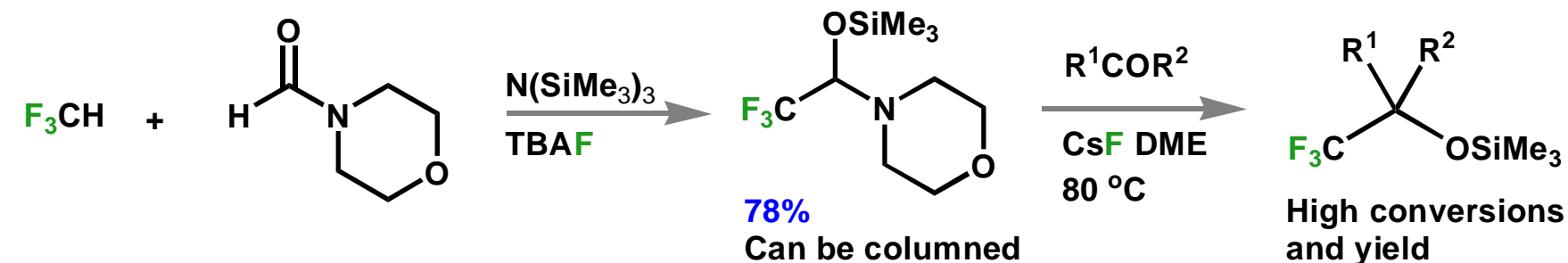
Ruppert's Reagent



Ecotoxic

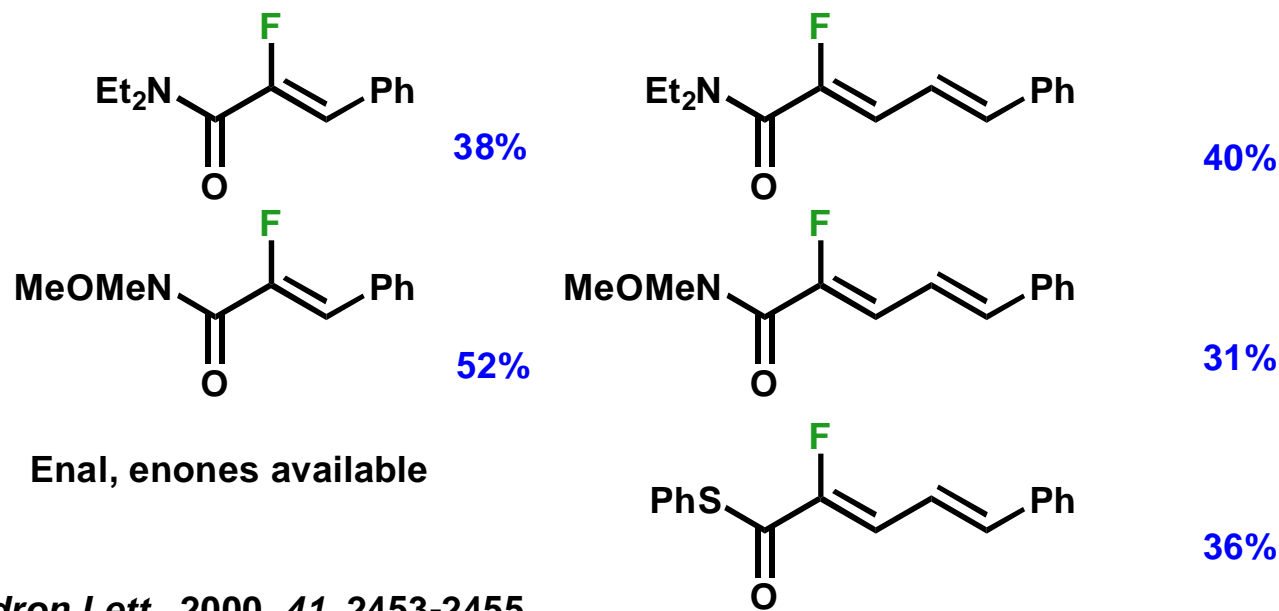
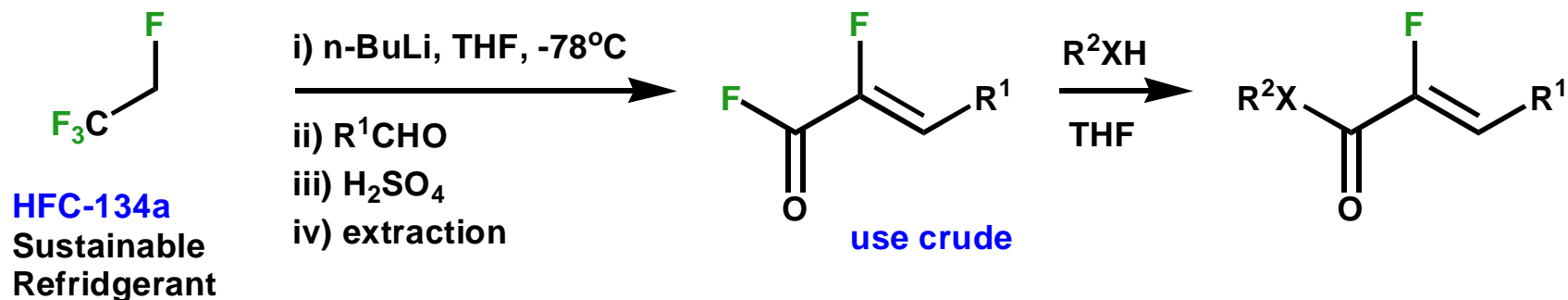


Sustainable



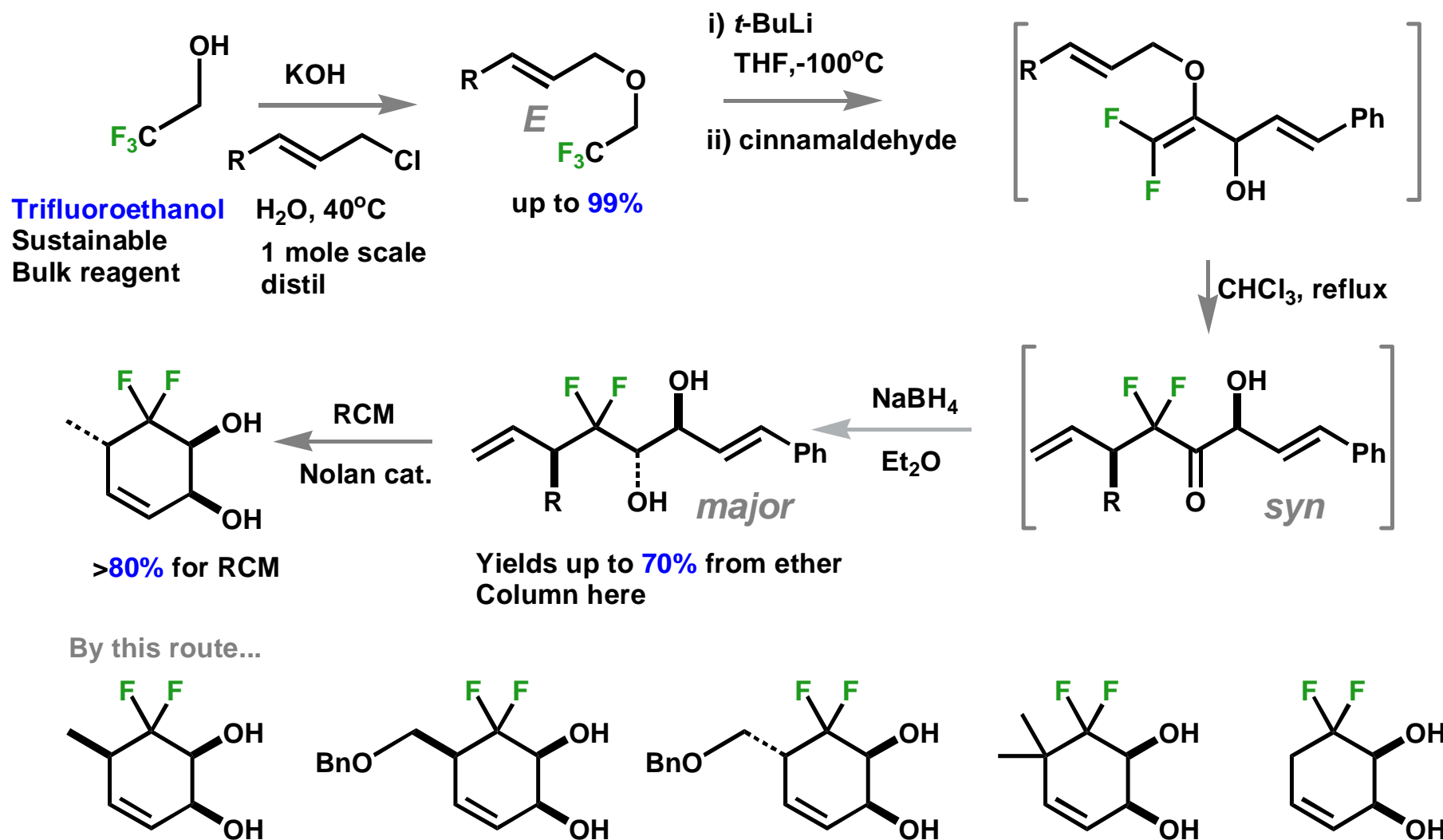
B. Langlois, *J. Org. Chem.*, 2000, 65, 8848.

# $\alpha$ -Fluoro- $\alpha,\beta$ -Unsaturated Carbonyl Derivatives...



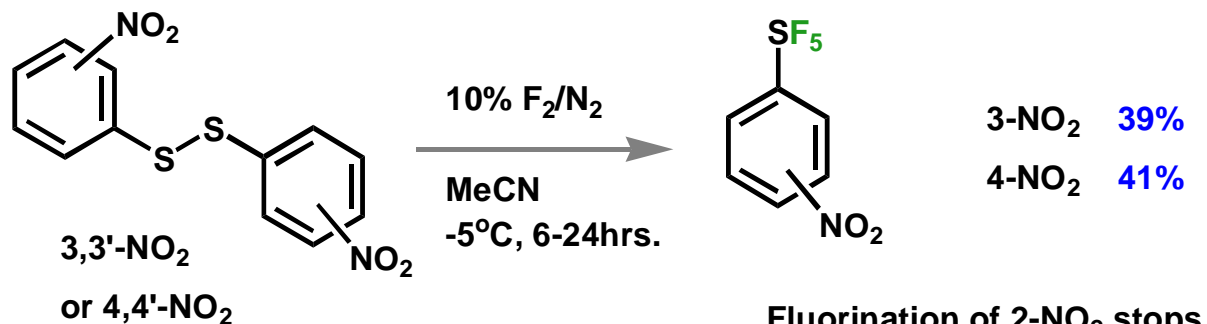
Kanai, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 2000, 41, 2453-2455.

# Rapid Synthesis of Complex Molecules from Trifluoroethanol...



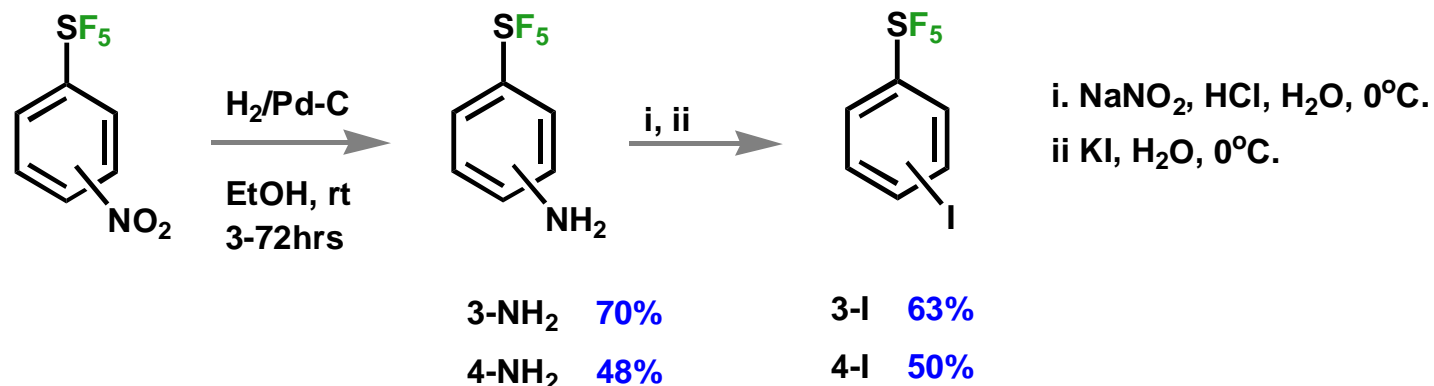
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## Introducing the -SF<sub>5</sub> Group...



Fluorination of 2-NO<sub>2</sub> stops at -SF<sub>3</sub> stage (hindrance)

Subsequent reactions...

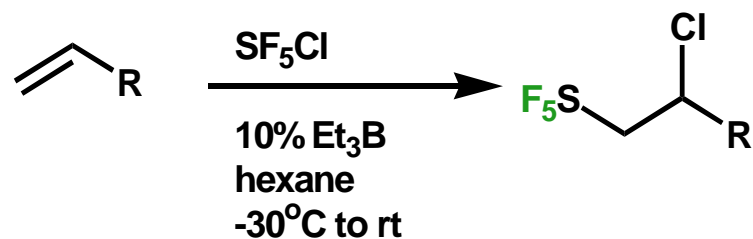


Iodide used in Heck, Suzuki, Stille, Sonogashira couplings

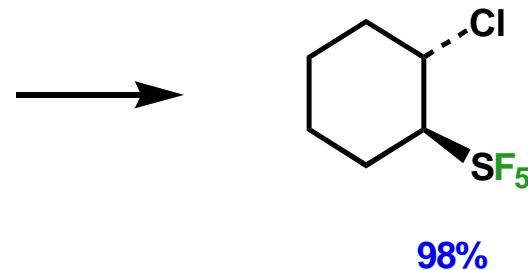
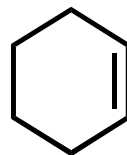
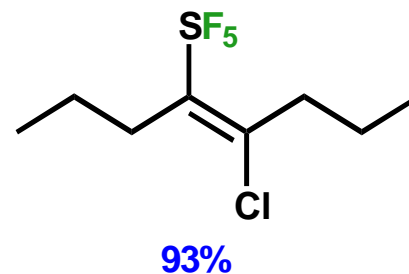
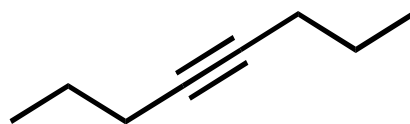
Originally, Sheppard, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 1962, 84, 3064.

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## Alkyl -SF<sub>5</sub> Derivatives *via* Free Radical Chemistry...



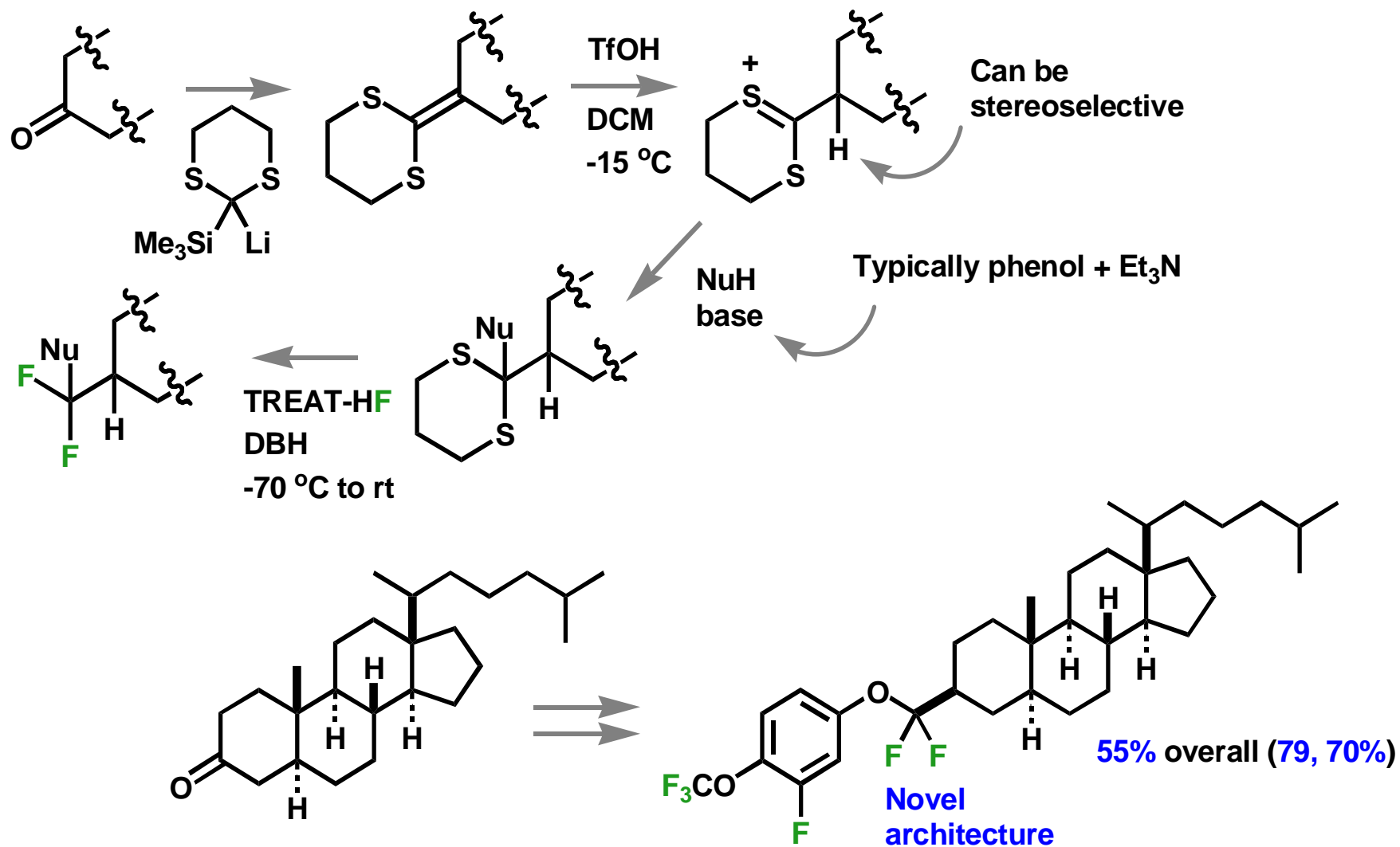
R	% yield (adduct)
n-hex	95
t-Bu	96
Et	89
p-tol	79



Facile procedure

Dolbier, *Org. Lett.*, 2002, 4, 3013-3015

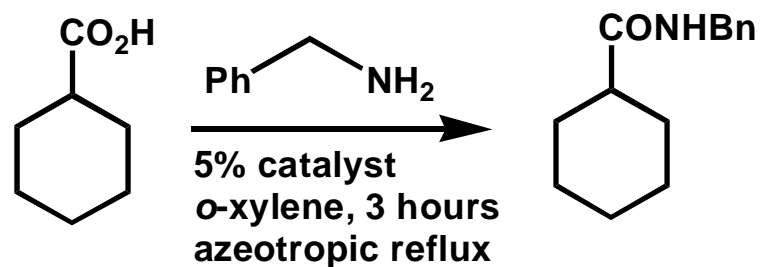
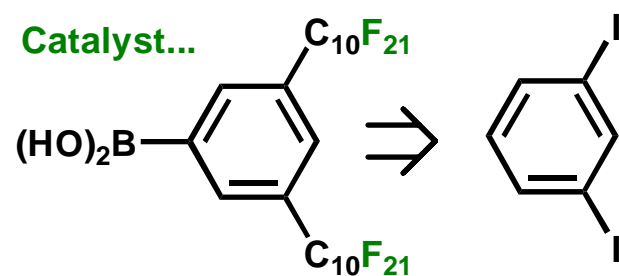
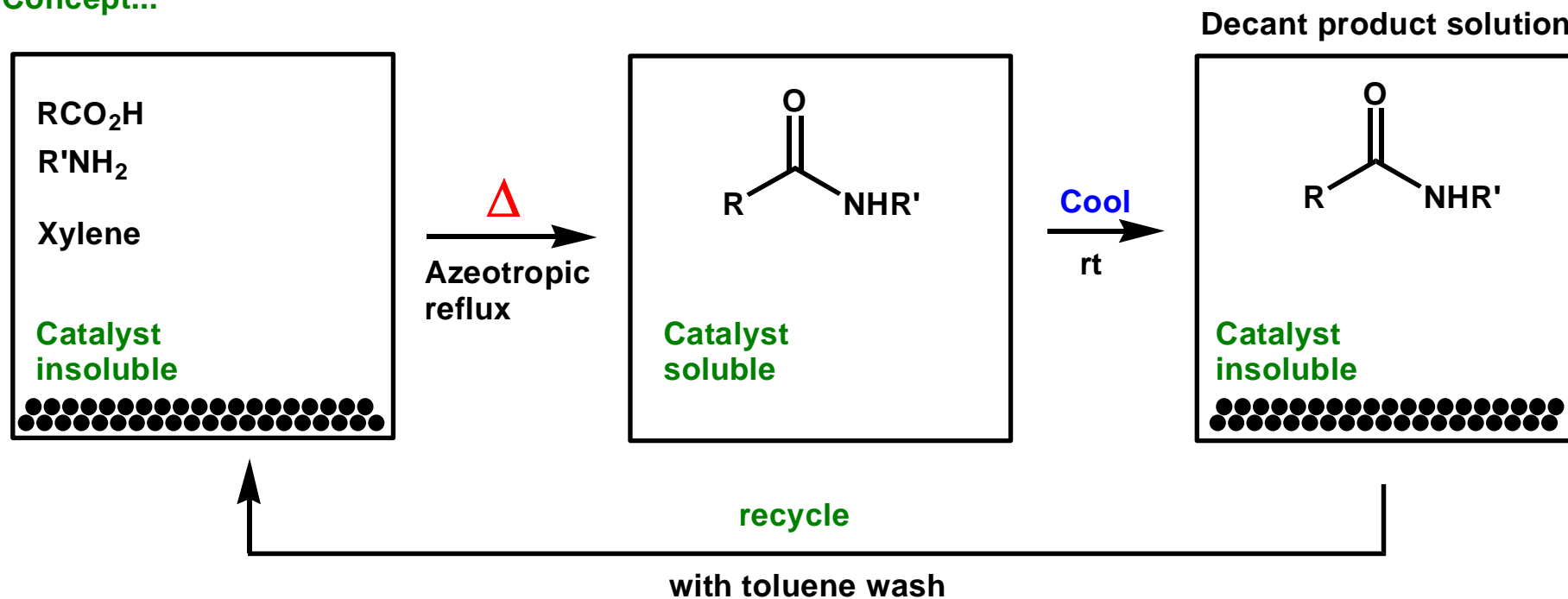
# Merck Route to the Difluorooxymethylene Bridge...



# Fluorous Biphasic Amide Condensation...

Yamamoto *et al.*, *Synlett*, 2001, 1371.

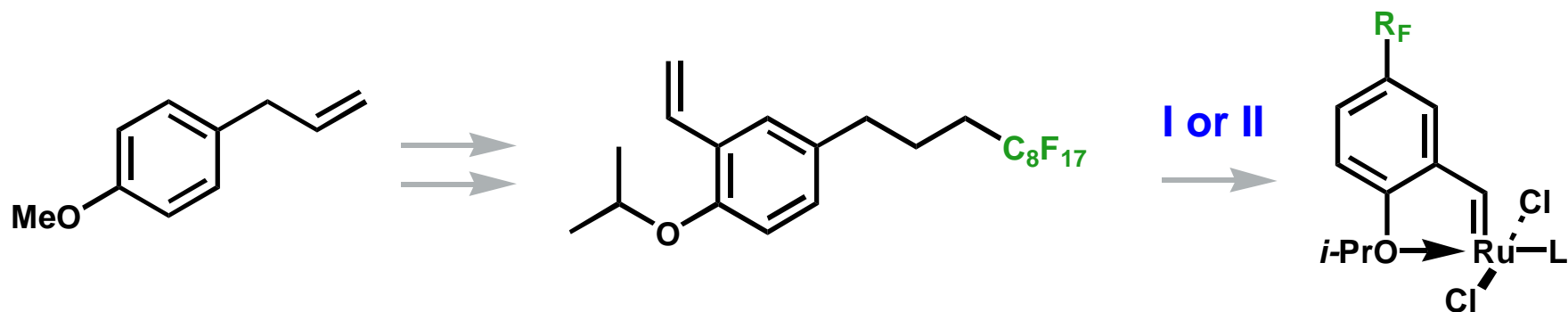
Concept...



10 times, 96% total isolated yield

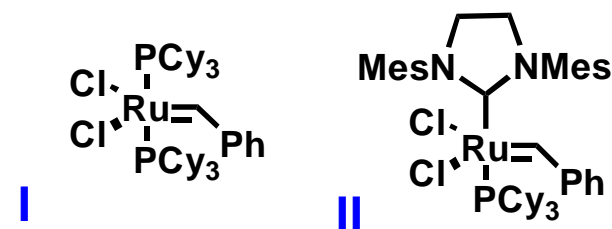


## Light Fluorous Catalysts for RCM...



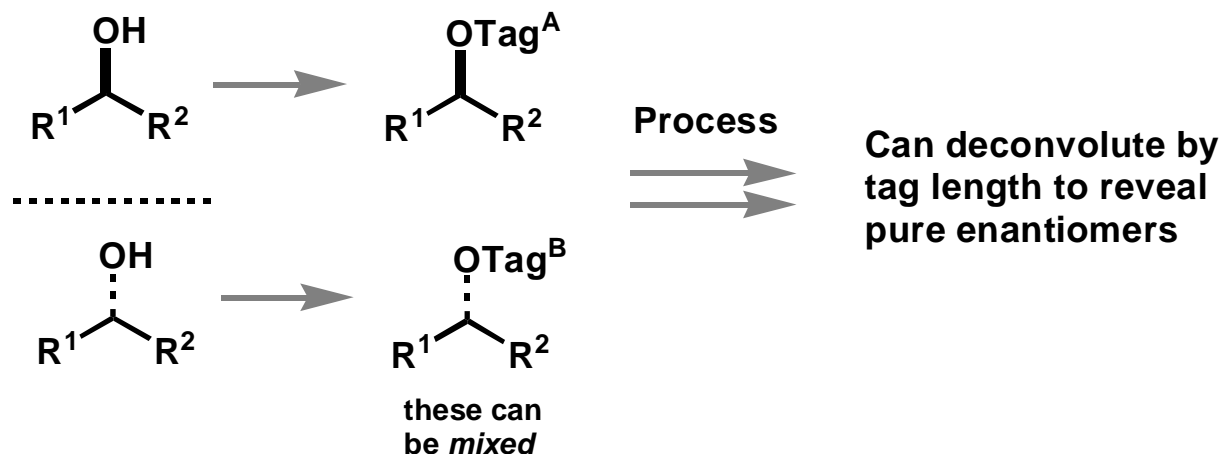
Run in DCM  
Highly recyclable at 5% loading  
Simple extraction/recovery procedure  
Use for RCM or cross metathesis  
Can use in solution or supported on fluorous silica

6 reuses possible



M. Matsugi and D. P. Curran, *J. Org. Chem.*, 2005, 70, 1636-1642.

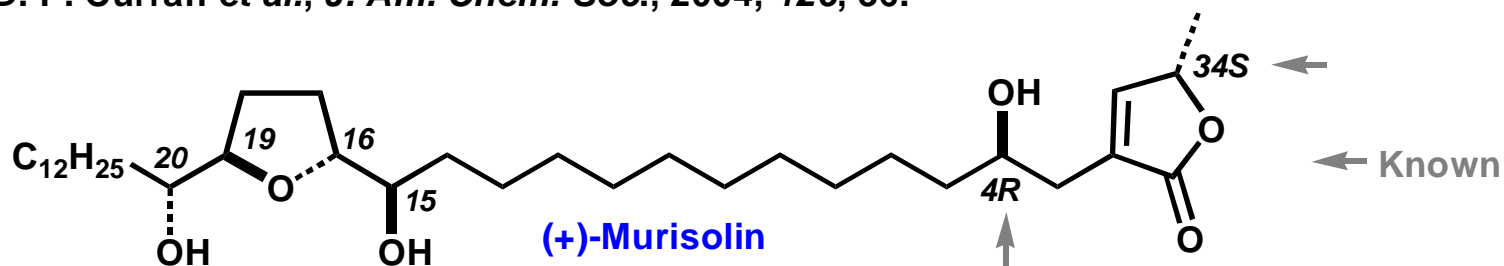
## Quasiracemic Synthesis...



D. P. Curran *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2002, 124, 5774.

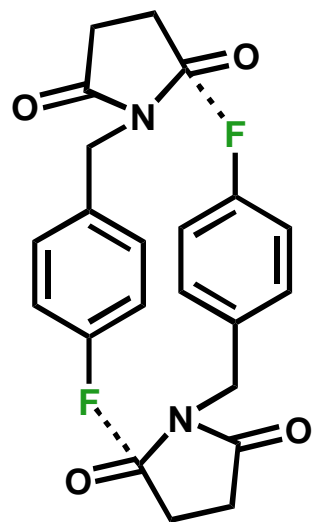
Application in a total synthesis of **(+)-Murisolin** and 15 stereoisomers

D. P. Curran *et al.*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 2004, 126, 36.



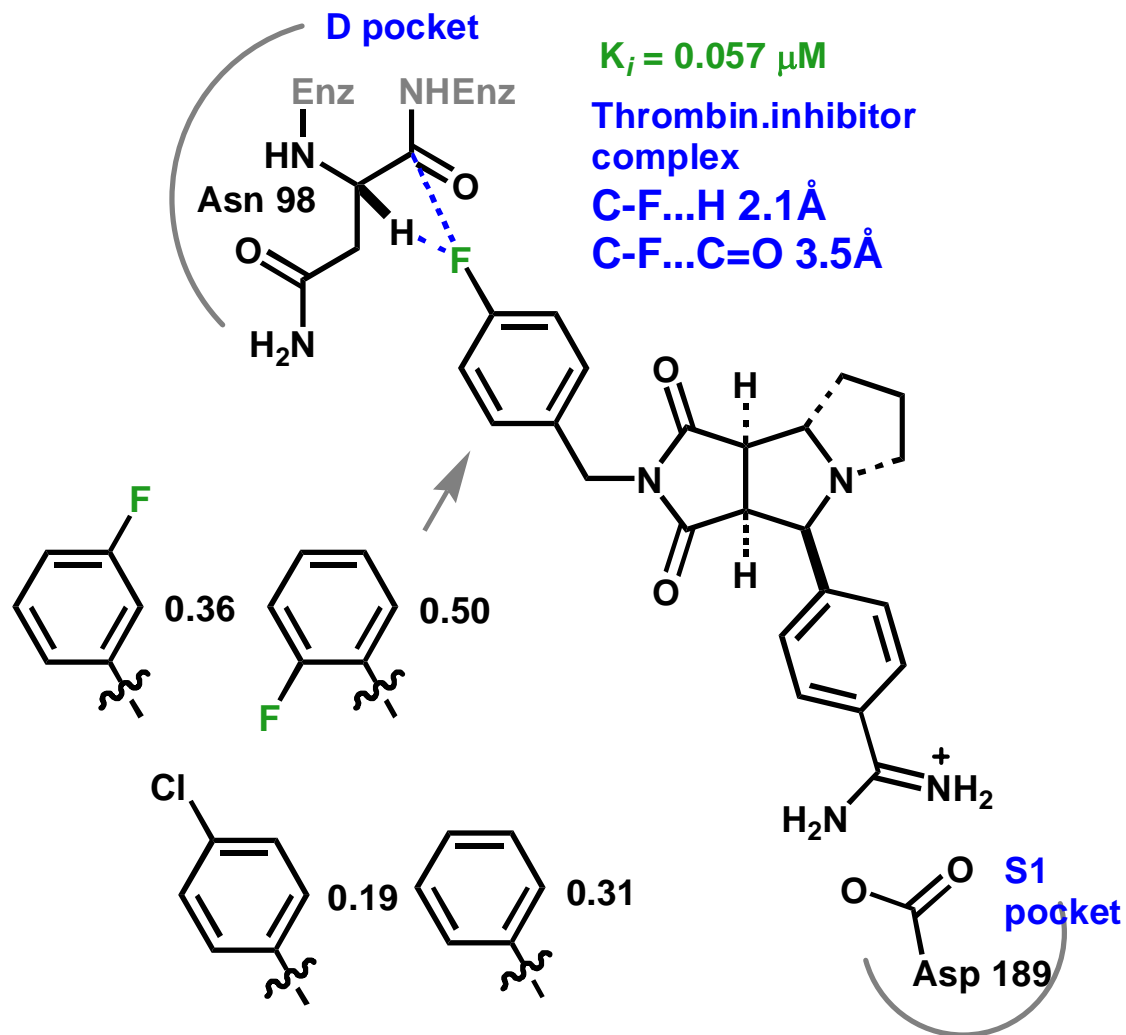
Acetogenin natural product; murisolin cytotoxicities (IC<sub>50</sub>) as low as 1 fM  
Very wide spread depending on stereochemistry, assignment difficult

# New C-F...C=O Interactions within Complexes...



From X-ray  
 F...C 2.94 Å  
 Closer than sum of  
 Van der Waals radii

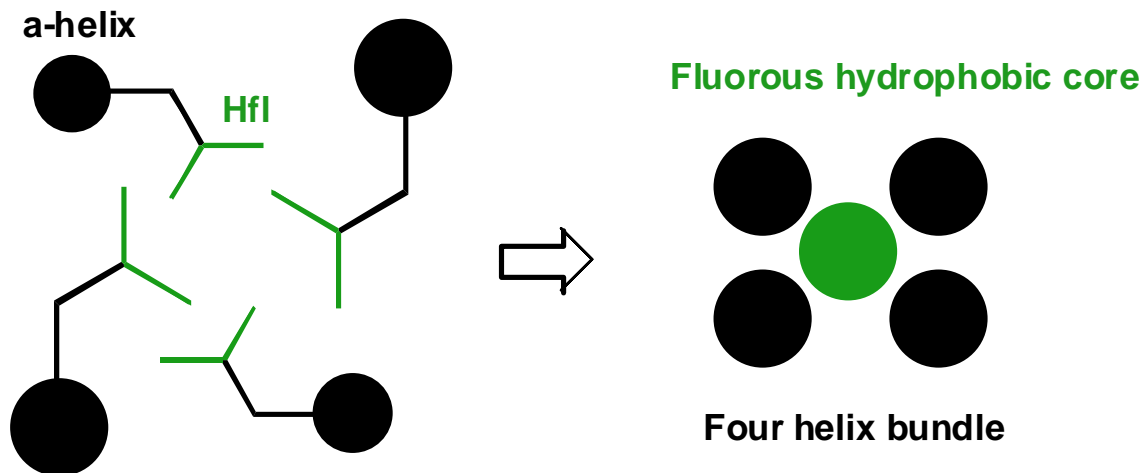
Weak but significant  
 attractive interactions



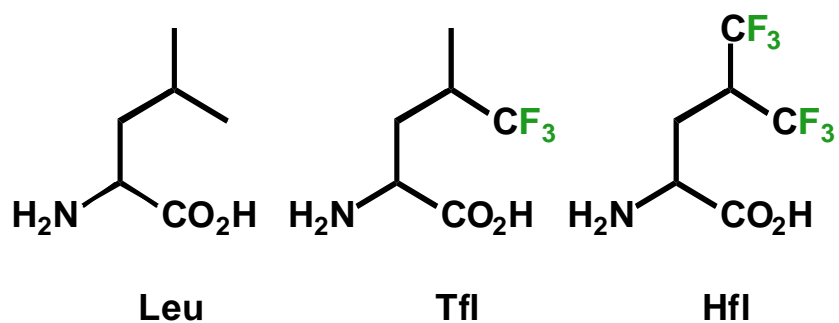
F. Diederich, *ChemBioChem*, 2004, 5, 666.

# Fluorous Proteins...

E. N. G. Marsh, *Chem. Biol.*, 2000, 7, R153-R157.



D. A. Tirrell *et al.*, *Biochem.*, 2001, 40, 2790-2796.



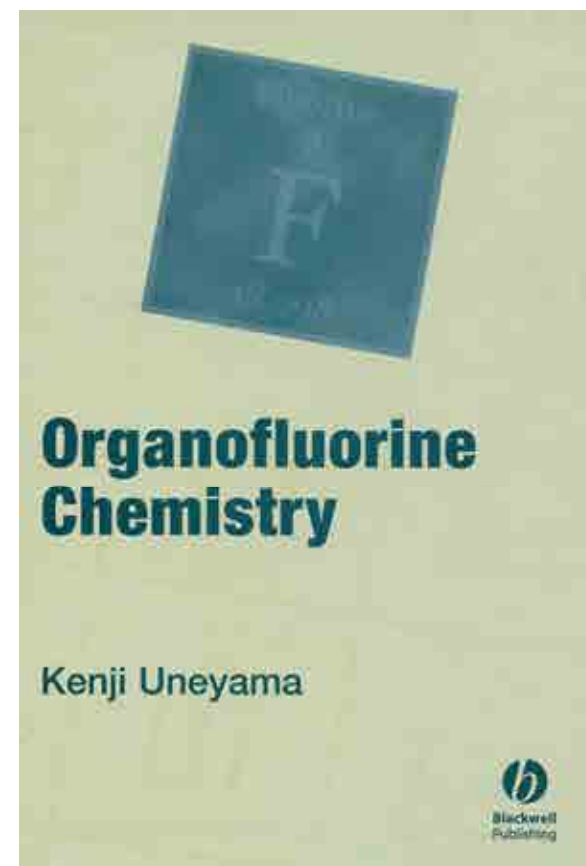
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