

# Carbon Unit Transfer Reactions Along With Forming Three New Bonds via $\alpha$ -Diazo Onium Salts

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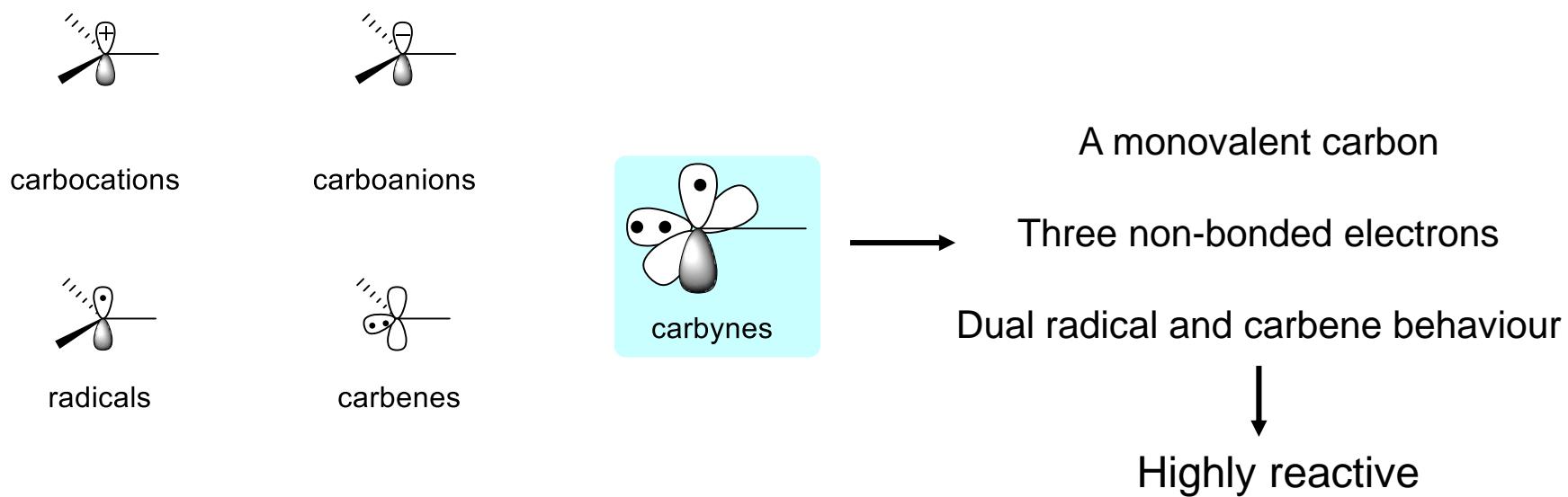
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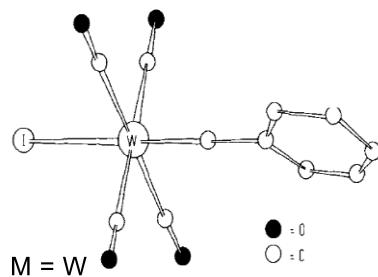
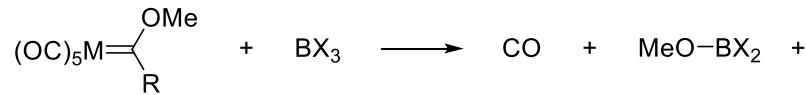
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Suero, M. G. et al., *Nature* 2018, 554, 86-91.

## The first metal carbyne complex



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Wang, C. et al., *Chin. J. Chem.* 2021, 39, 3481-3484.

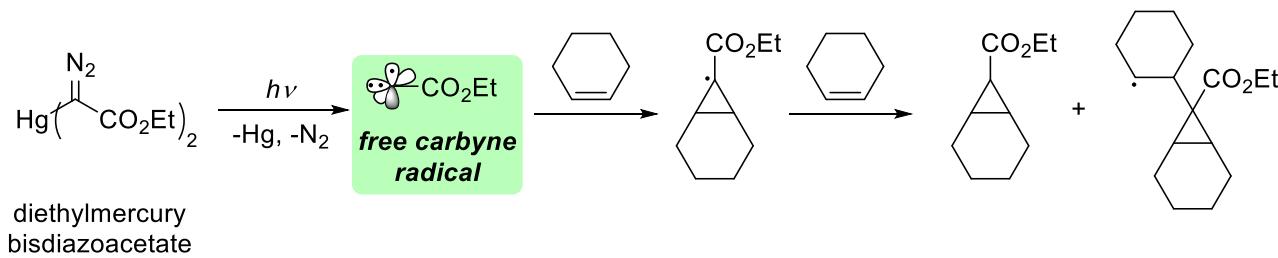
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Metal carbyne complex catalyzed alkyne metathesis (well-established)



Fürstner, A. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2013**, 52, 2794-2819.

Reaction through free carbyne radical



Mixture

Strausz, O. P. et al., *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1967**, 89, 6785-6787.

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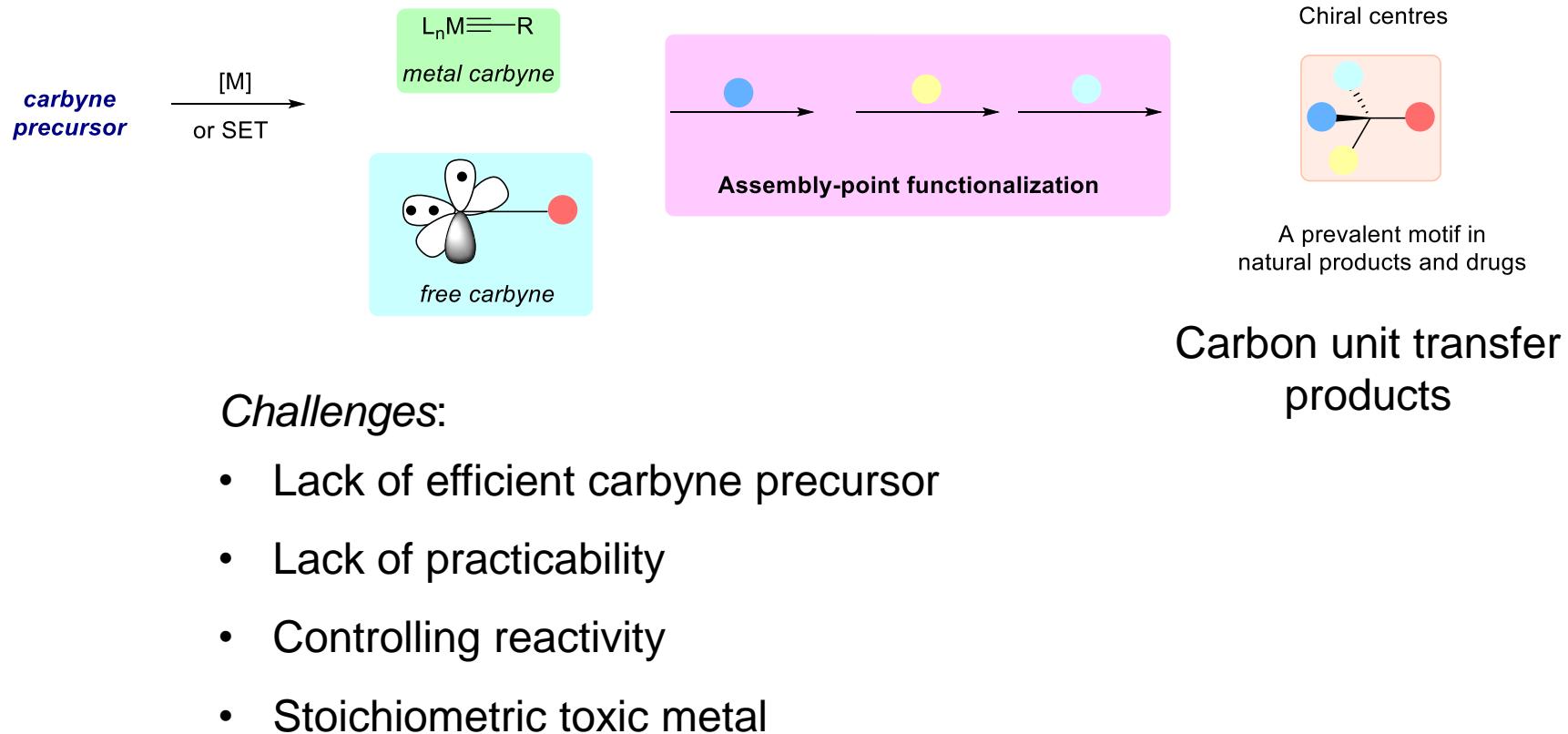
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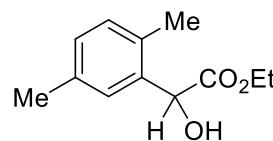
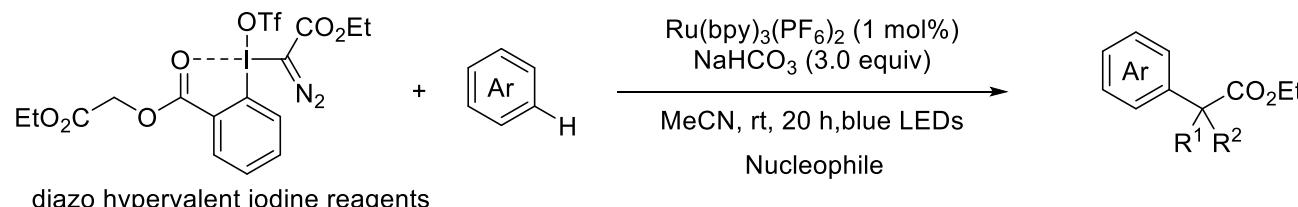
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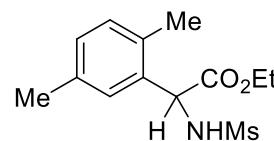
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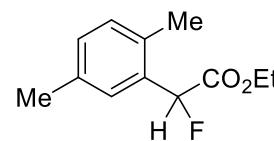
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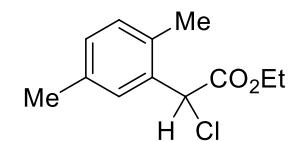
with  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$   
53%



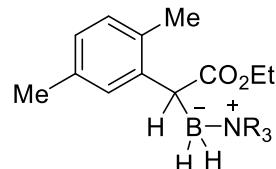
with  $\text{MsNH}_2$   
66%



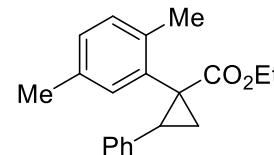
with  $\text{NaF}$   
25%



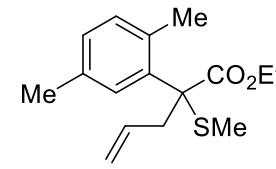
with  $\text{KCl}$   
72%



- +  
with  $\text{BH}_3\text{-NR}_3$   
35%

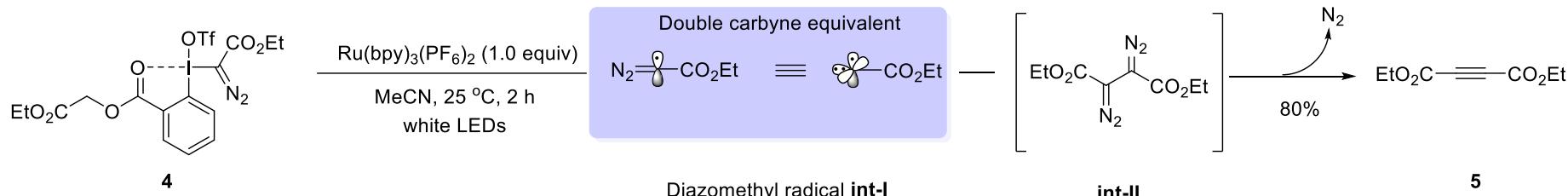


with styrene  
47%



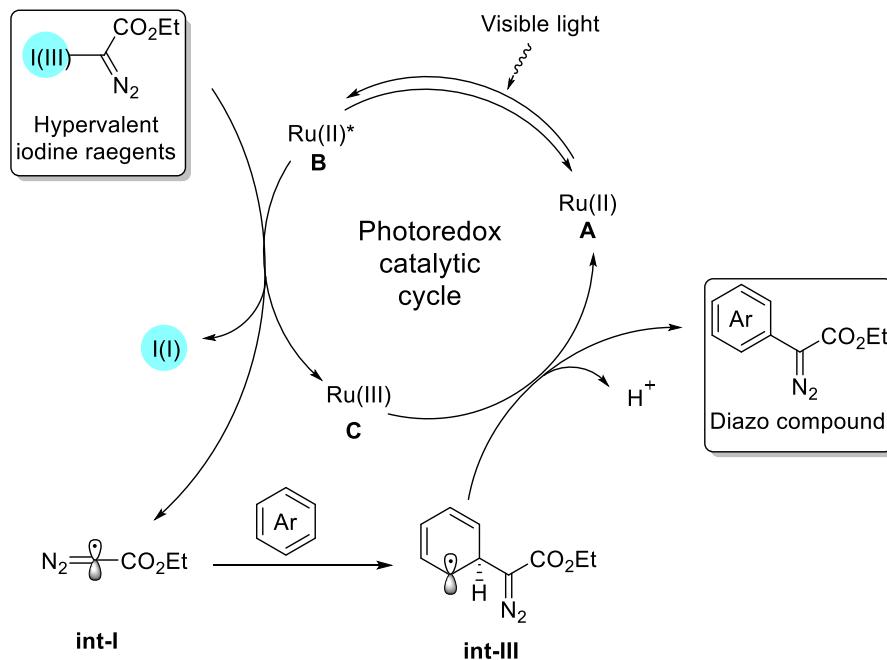
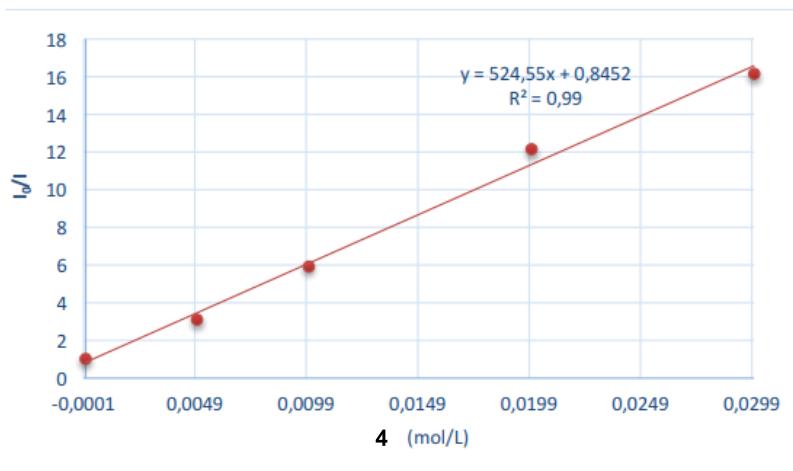
with allyl(methyl)sulfane  
51%

# Carbon unit transfer reactions



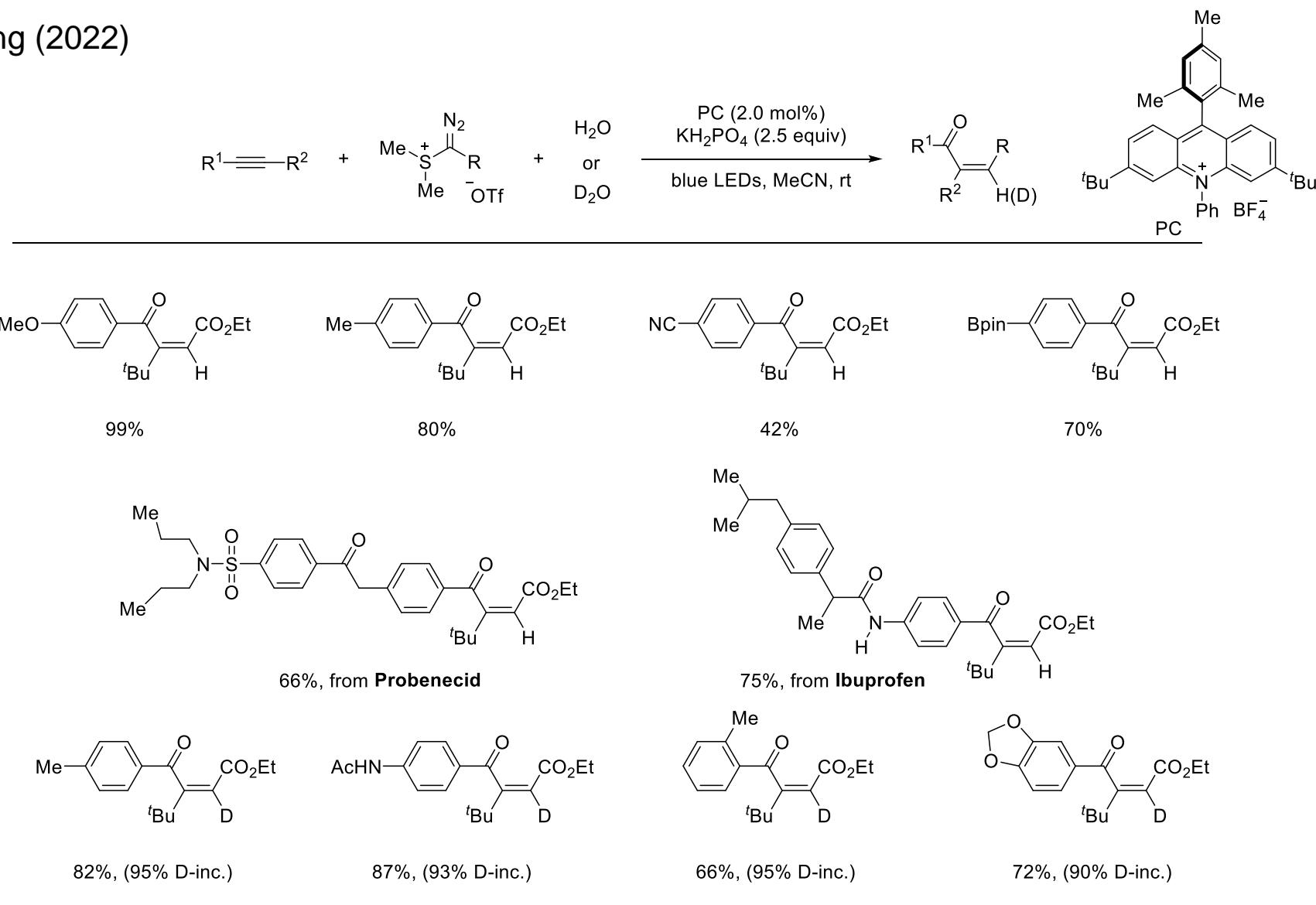
## Mechanism

Stern-Volmer fluorescence quenching



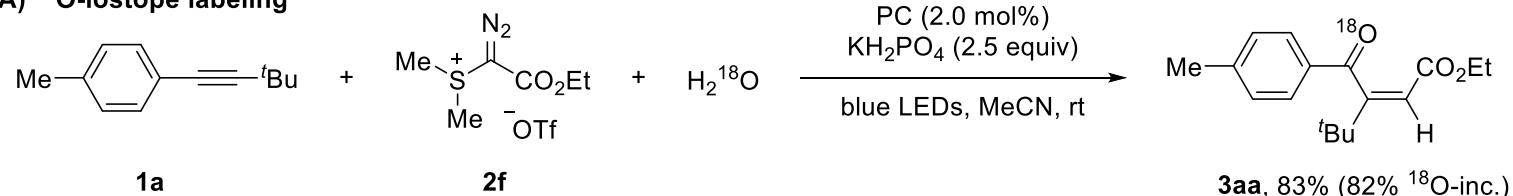
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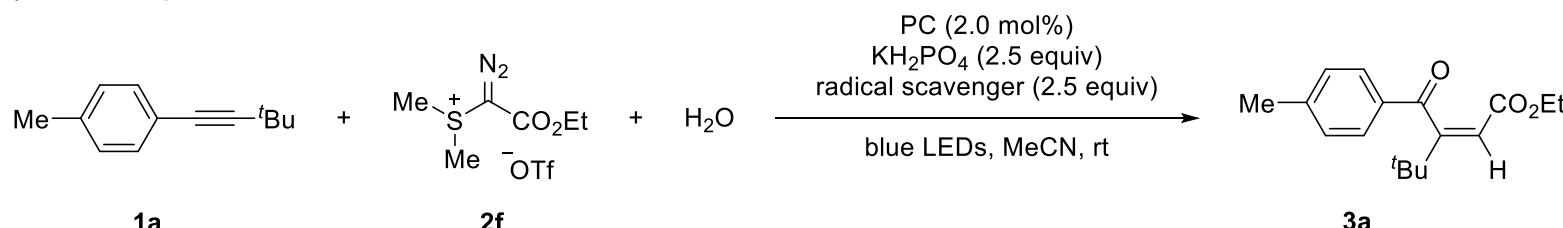


# Carbon unit transfer reactions

## A) $^{18}\text{O}$ -isotope labeling

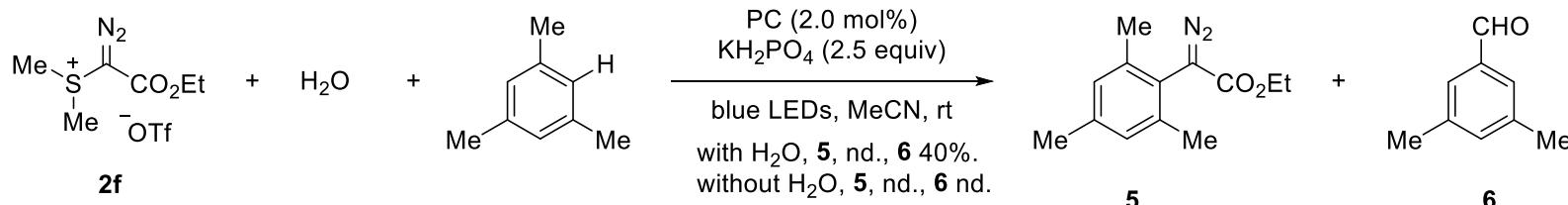
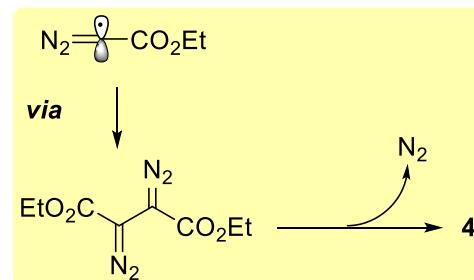
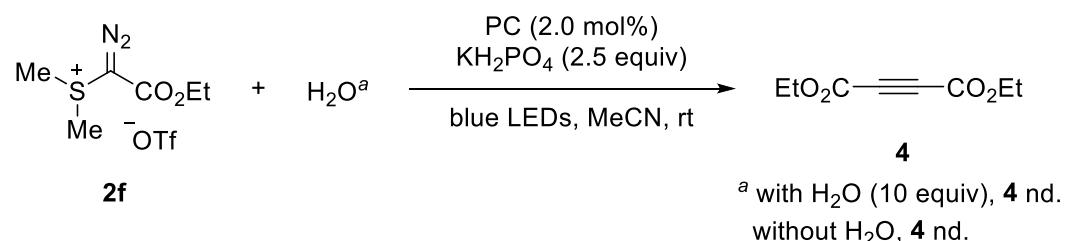


## B) Radical capture



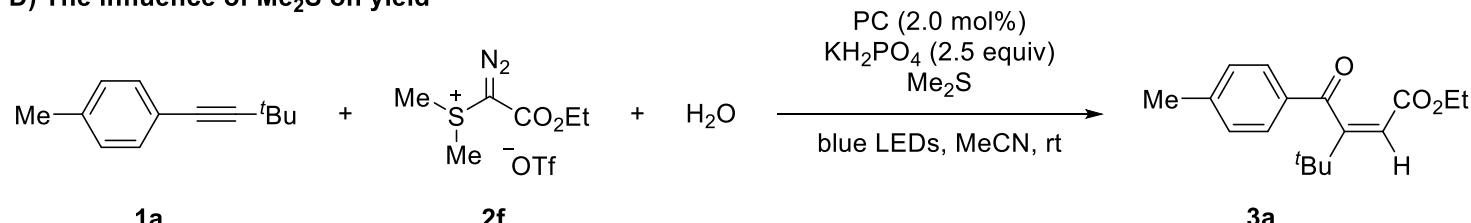
radical scavenger = TEMPO, **3a** nd.  
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## C) Diazomethyl radical probe

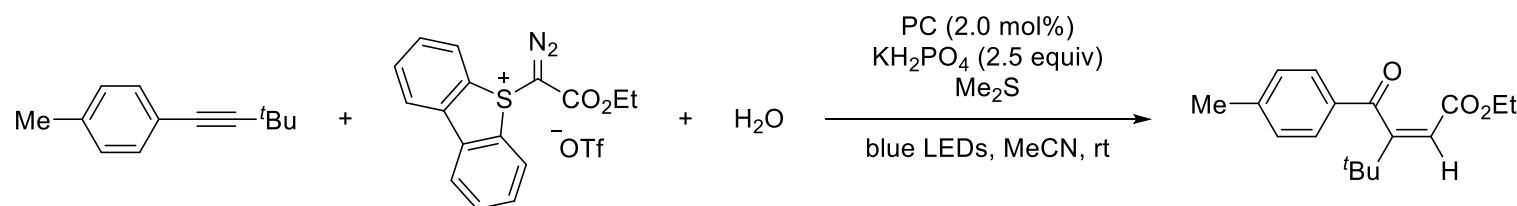
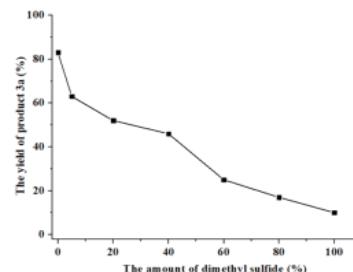


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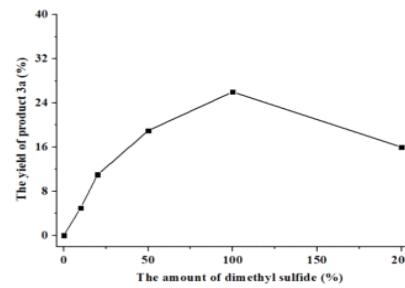
## D) The influence of $\text{Me}_2\text{S}$ on yield



entry	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
$\text{Me}_2\text{S}$	0%	5%	20%	40%	60%	80%	100%
yield	83%	63%	52%	46%	25%	17%	10%

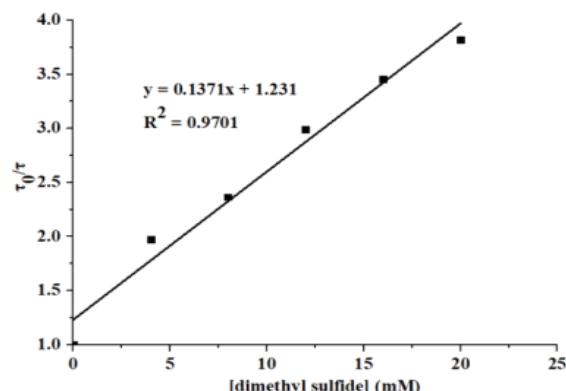


entry	1	2	3	4	5	6
$\text{Me}_2\text{S}$	0%	10%	20%	50%	100%	200%
yield	0%	5%	11%	19%	26%	16%

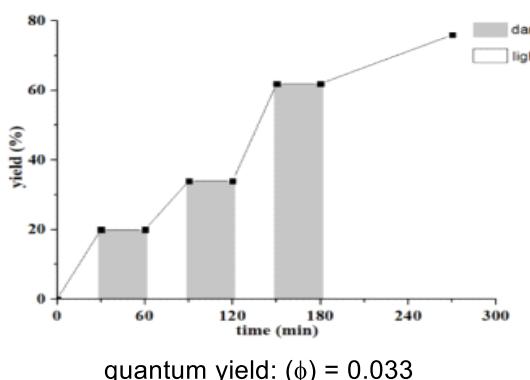


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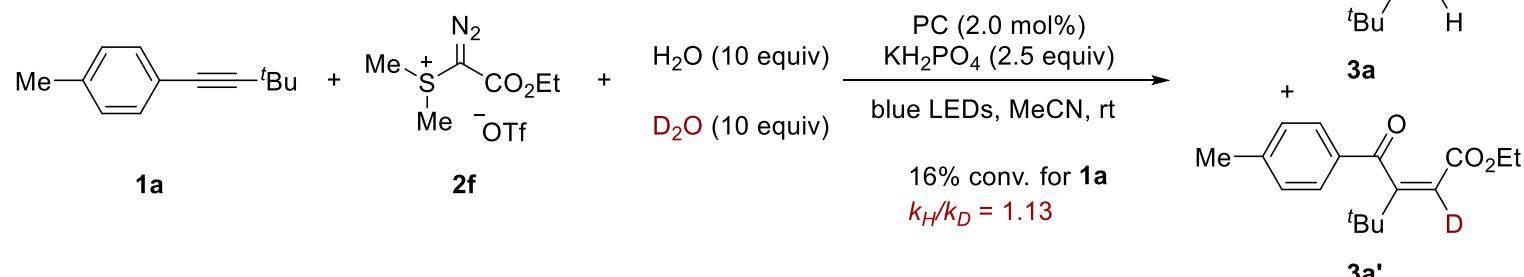
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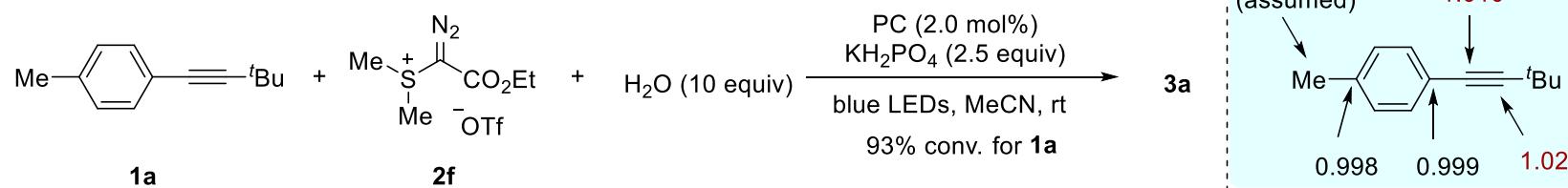
## F) Light on-off experiments and quantum yield



## G) H/D kinetic isotope effects study

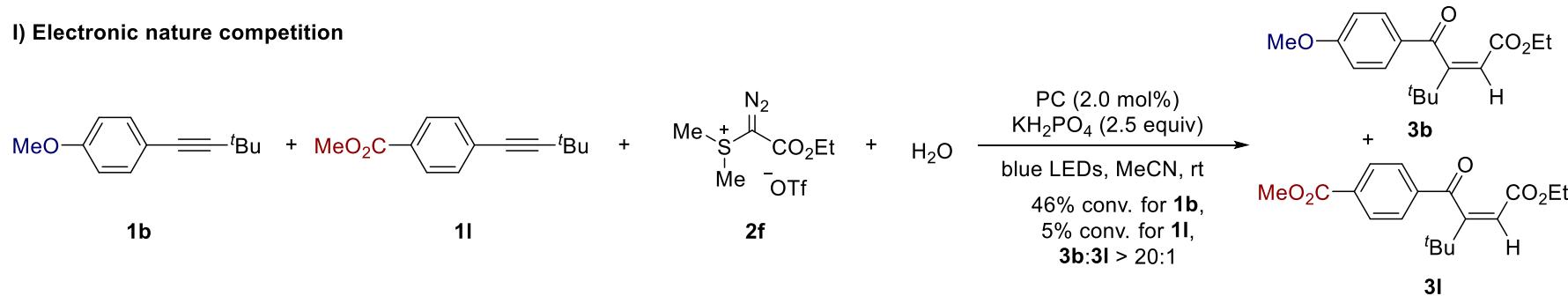


## H) $^{12}\text{C}/^{13}\text{C}$ kinetic isotope effects study

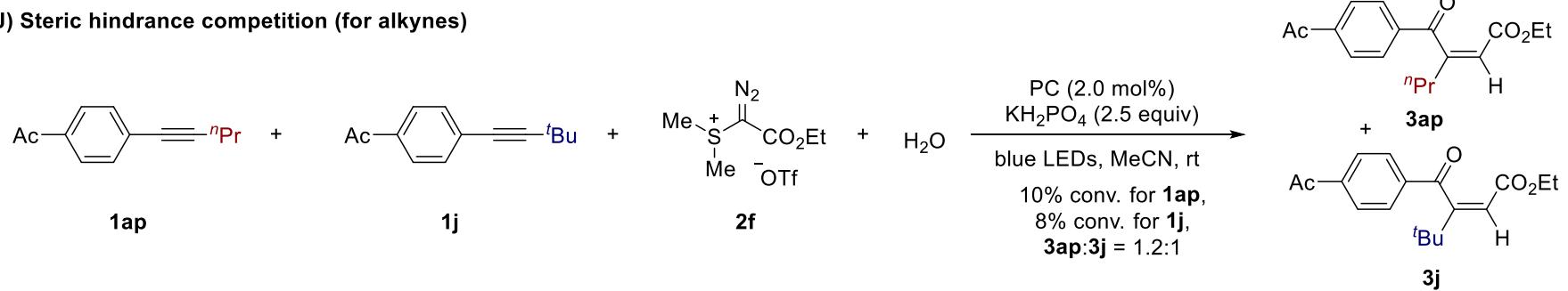


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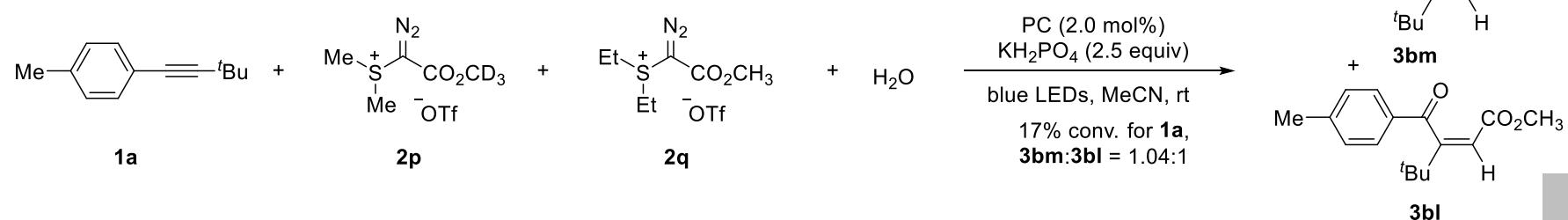
## I) Electronic nature competition



## J) Steric hindrance competition (for alkynes)

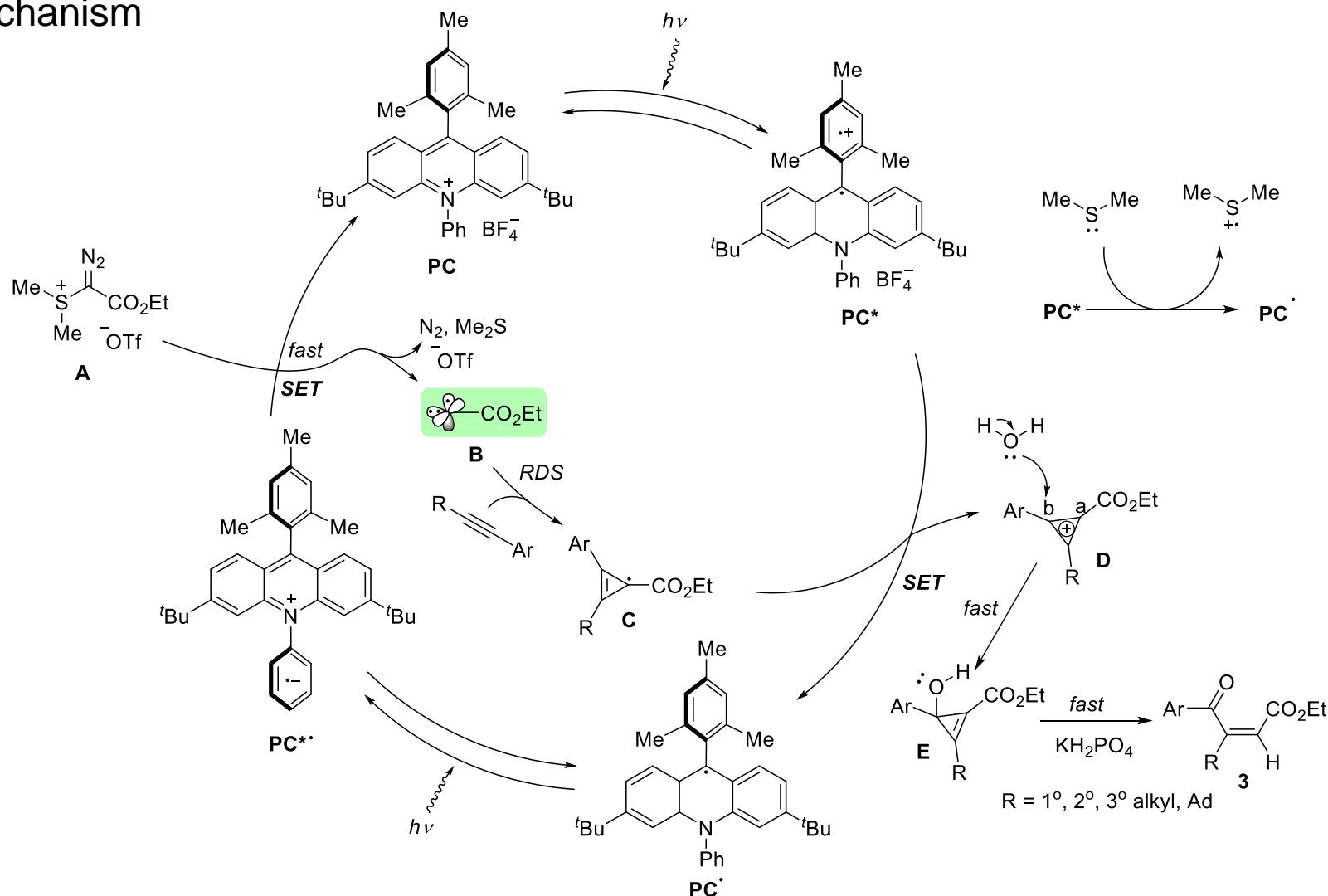


## K) Steric hindrance competition (for $\alpha$ -diazo sulfonium triflates)



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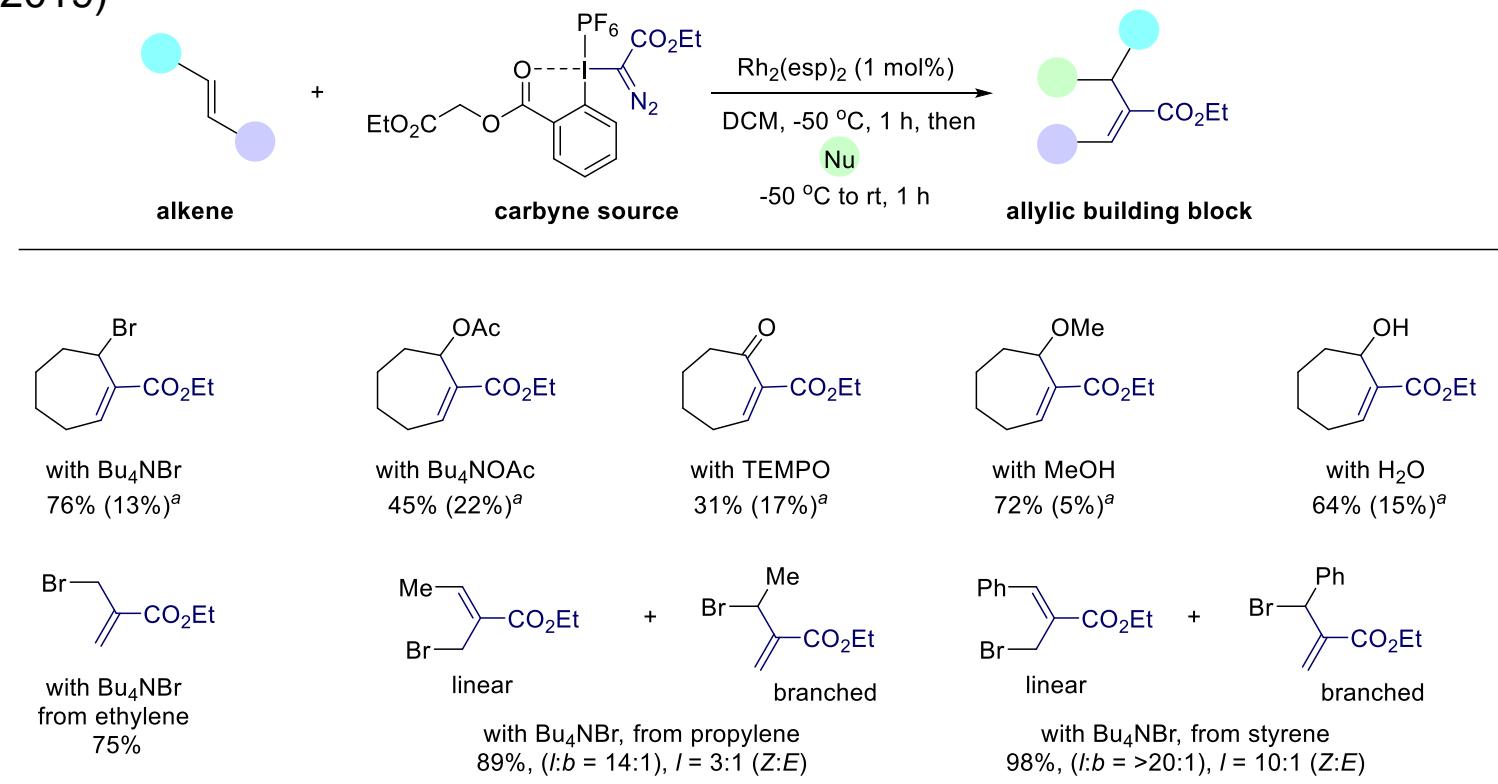
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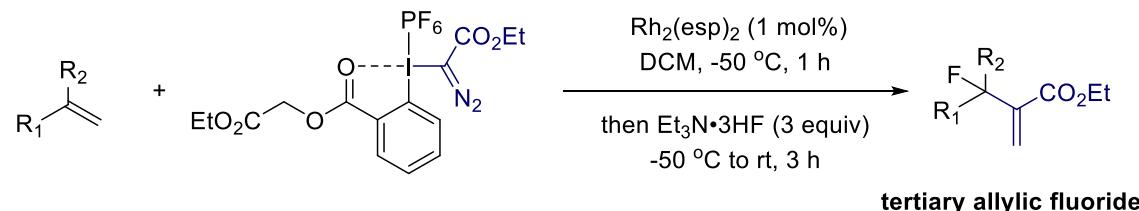
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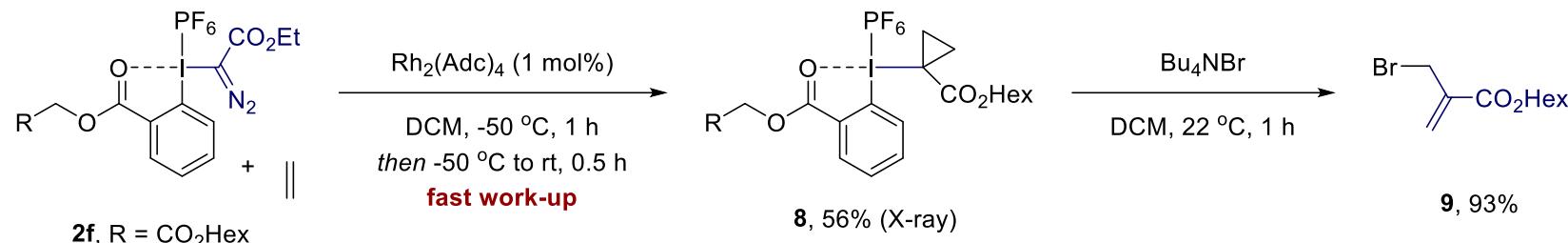
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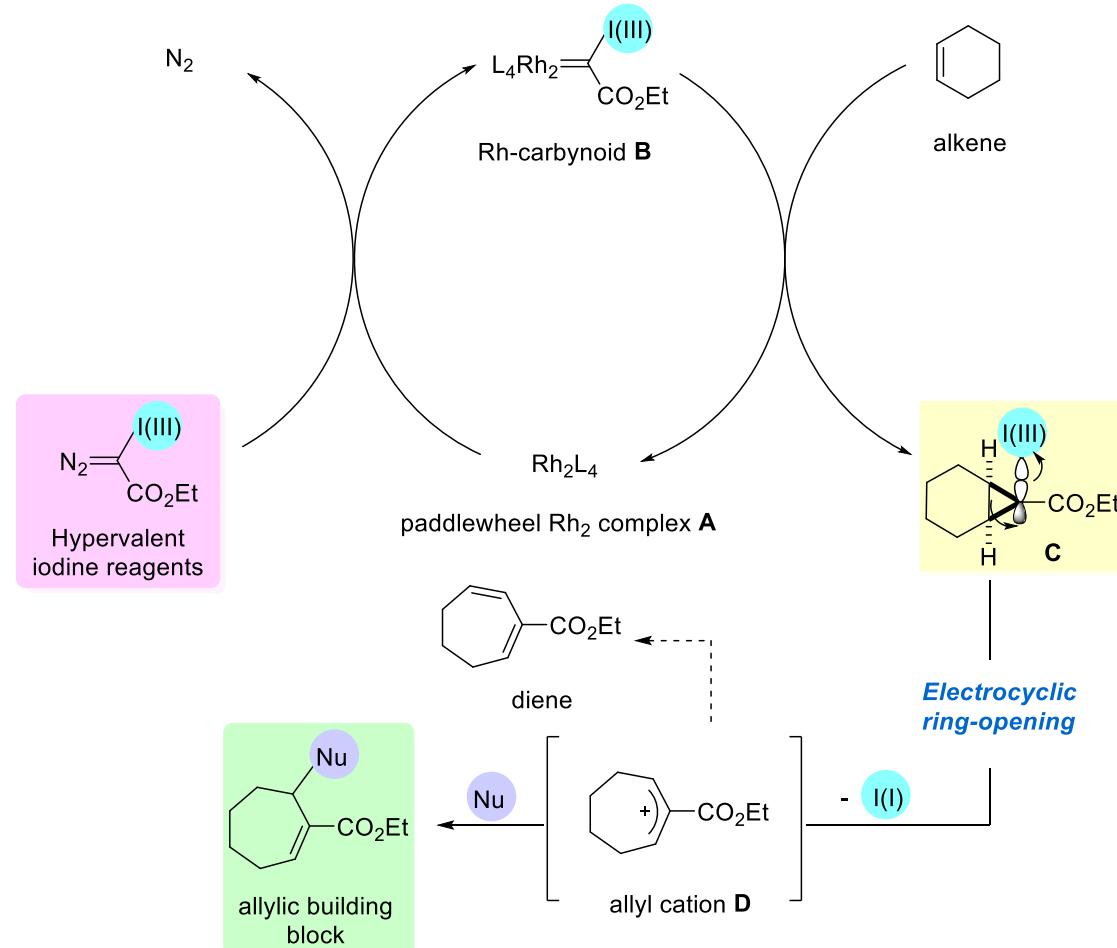
<sup>a</sup> Yield of parentheses are of dienes.



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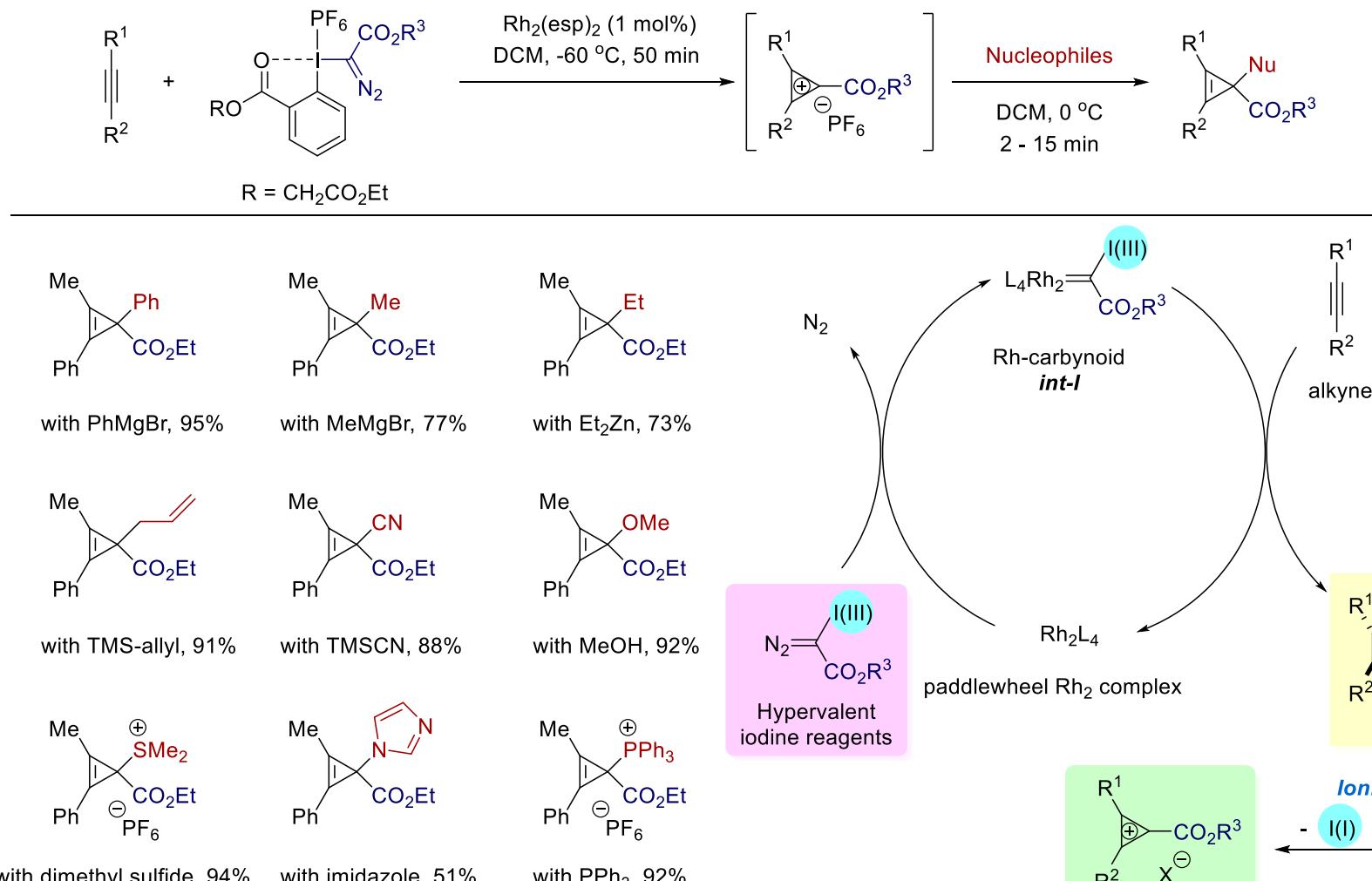


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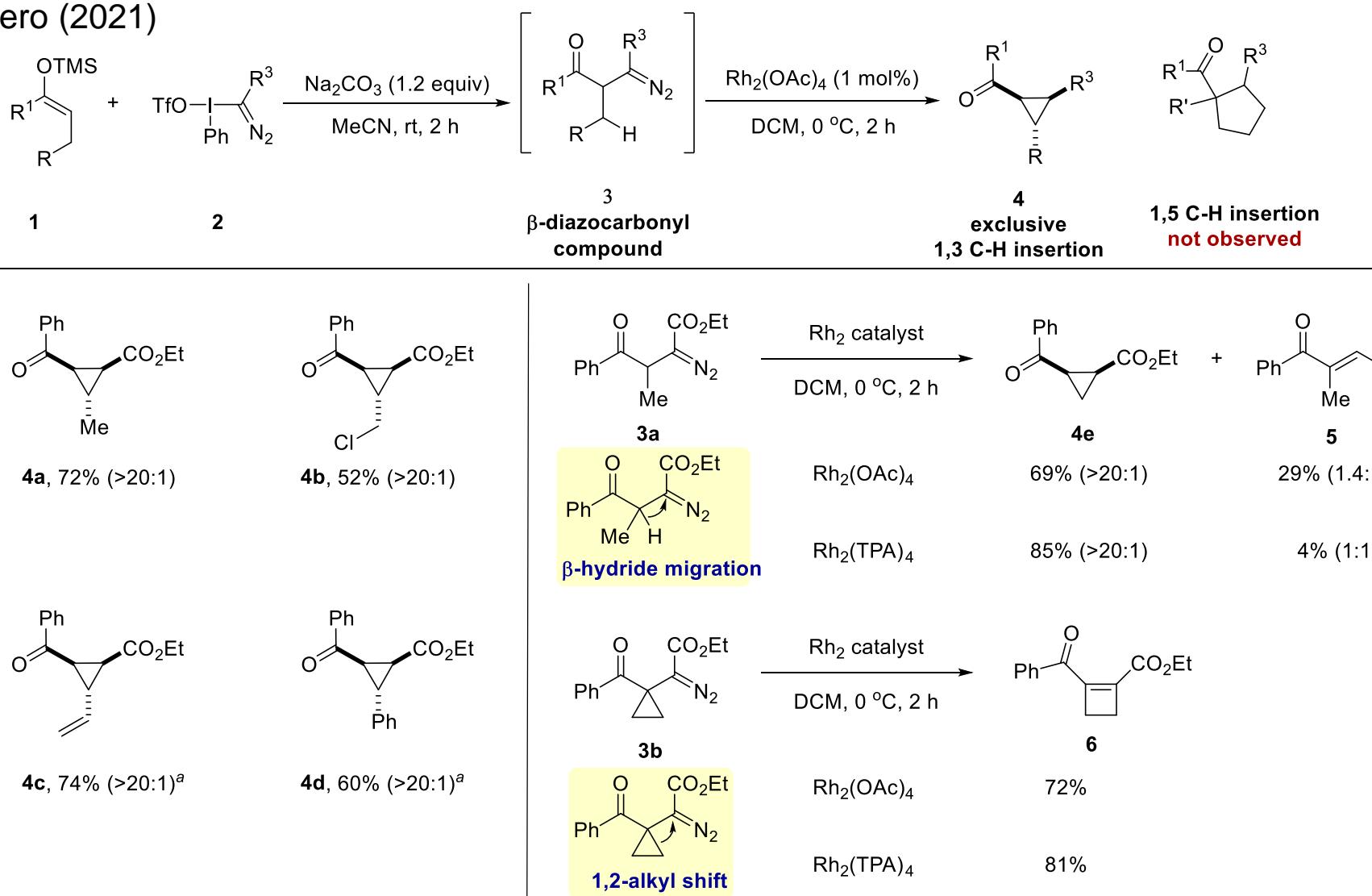
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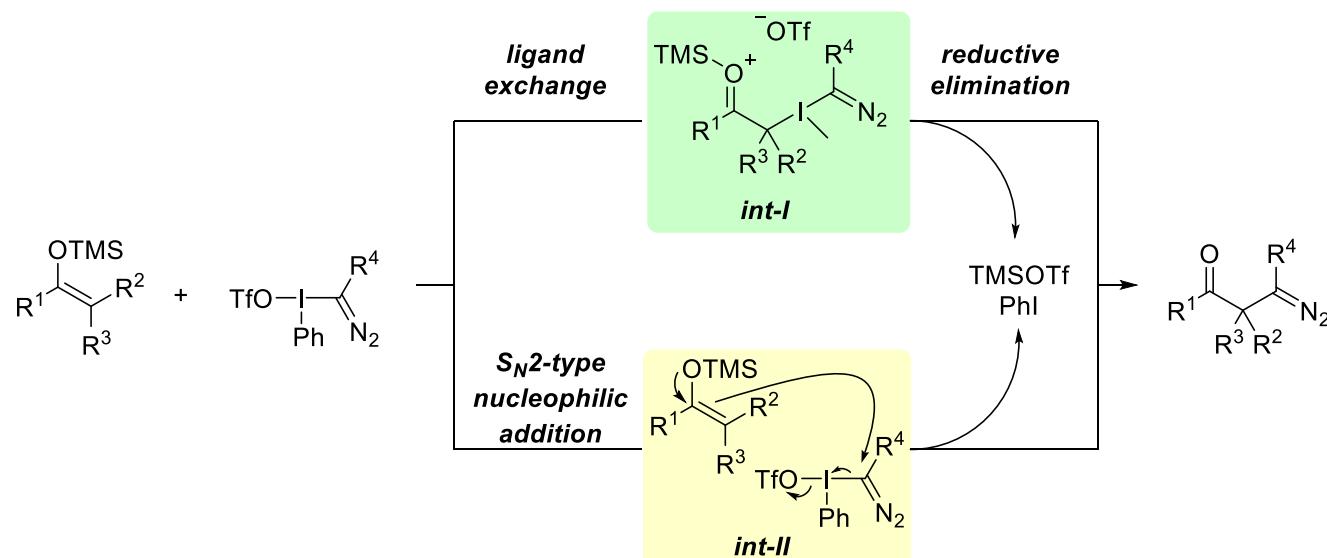
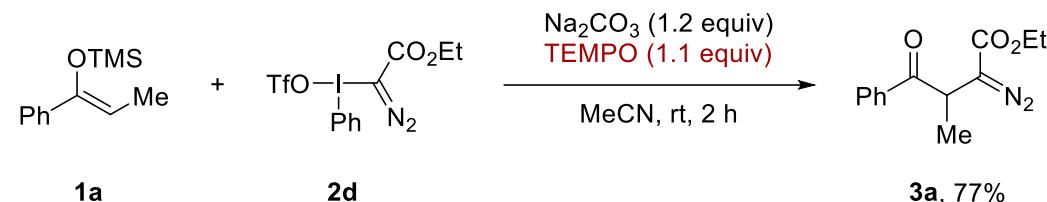
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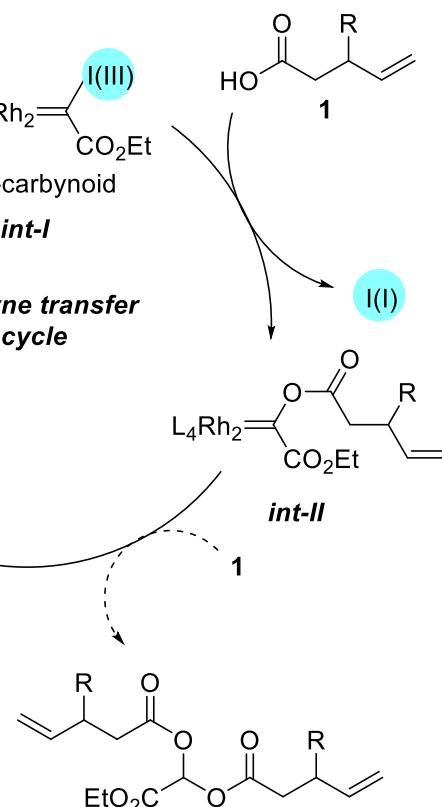
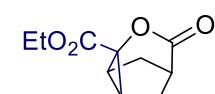
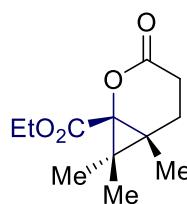
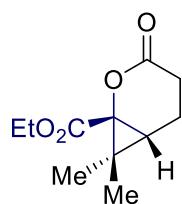
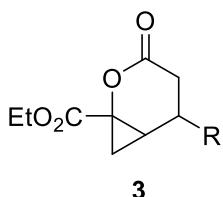
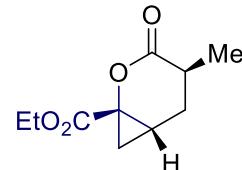
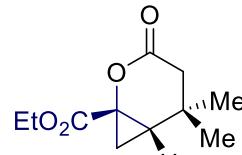
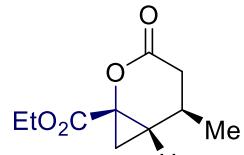
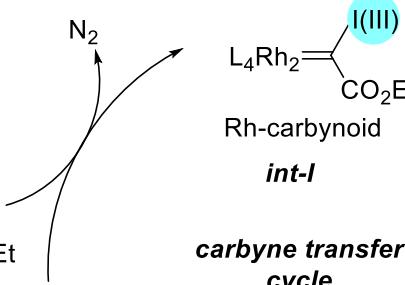
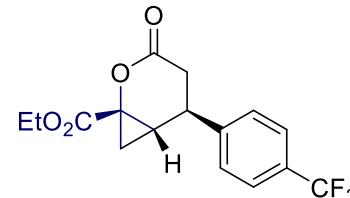
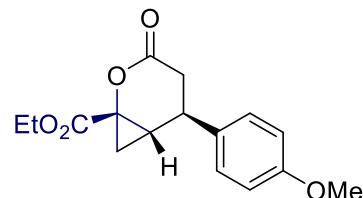
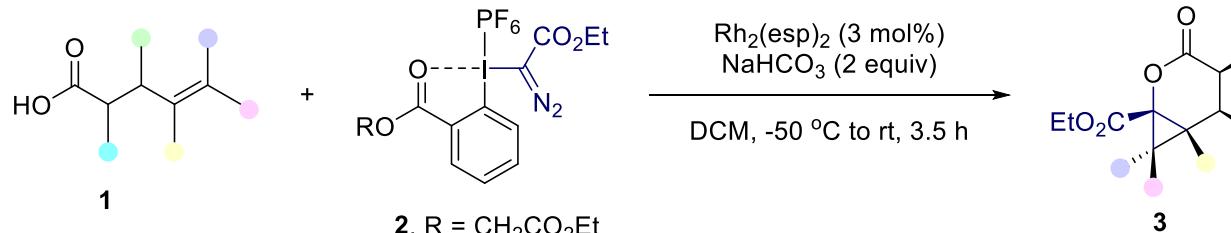
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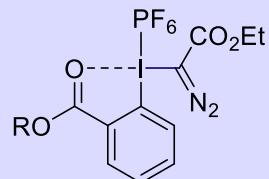
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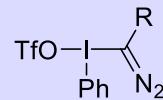
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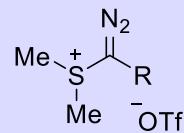
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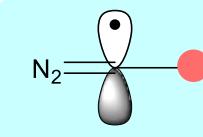
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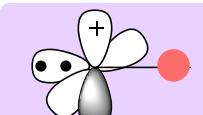
linear  $\alpha$ -diazo hypervalent reagent



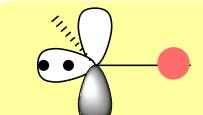
$\alpha$ -diazo sulfonium triflates



diazomethyl radical



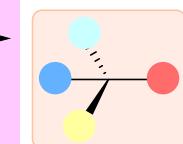
carbyne carbocation



carbene

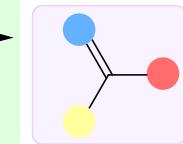
## Carbon unit transfer products

Chiral centres



Assembly-point functionalization

Prochiral centres



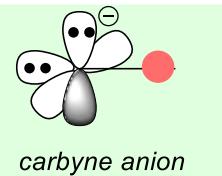
Assembly-point functionalization

Three new bonds were formed

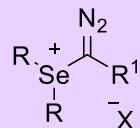
# Outlook

carbyne  
precursor

$[M]$   
or SET



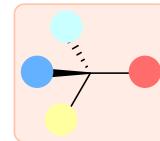
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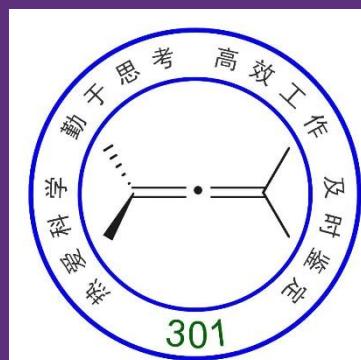
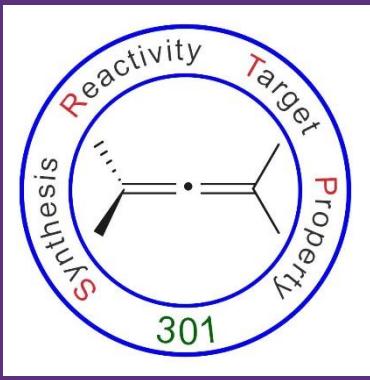
- Development of various carbyne precursors
- Different intermediates
- Asymmetric reactions
- Heteroatom carbynes (Si, Ge, Sn...)



Chiral centres



A prevalent motif in  
natural products and drugs



*Thanks for your attention!*

