



Bismuth in Radical Chemistry & Catalysis

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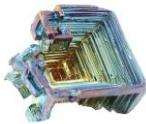
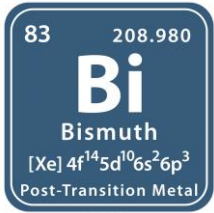
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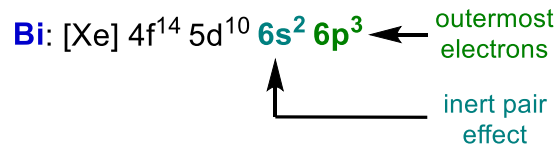
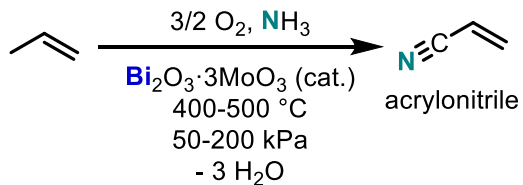
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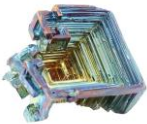
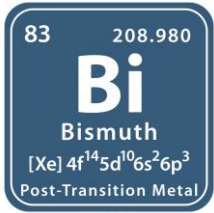


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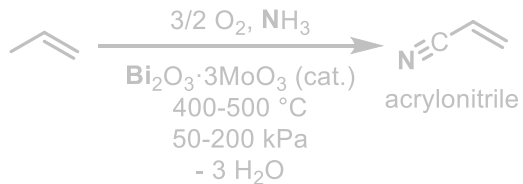


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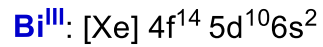
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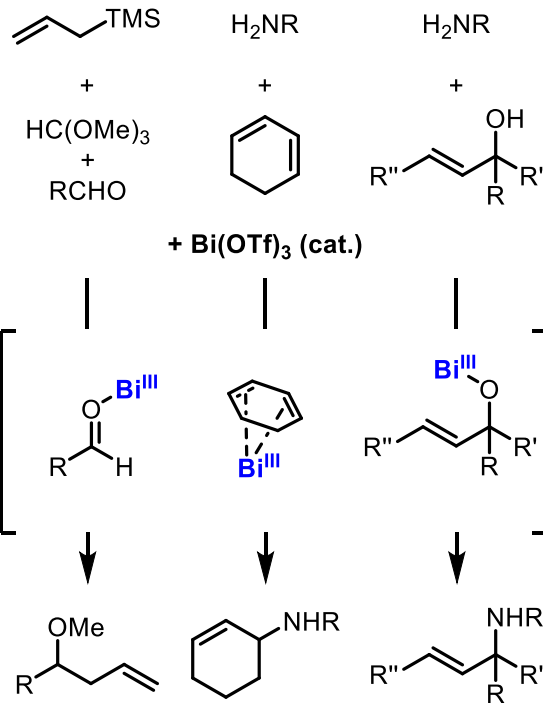


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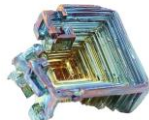
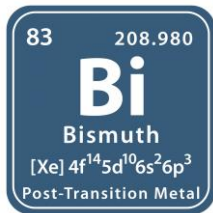
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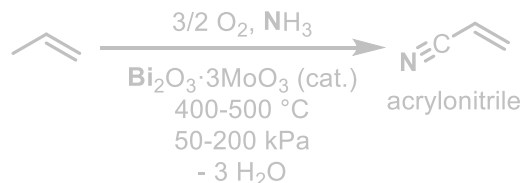


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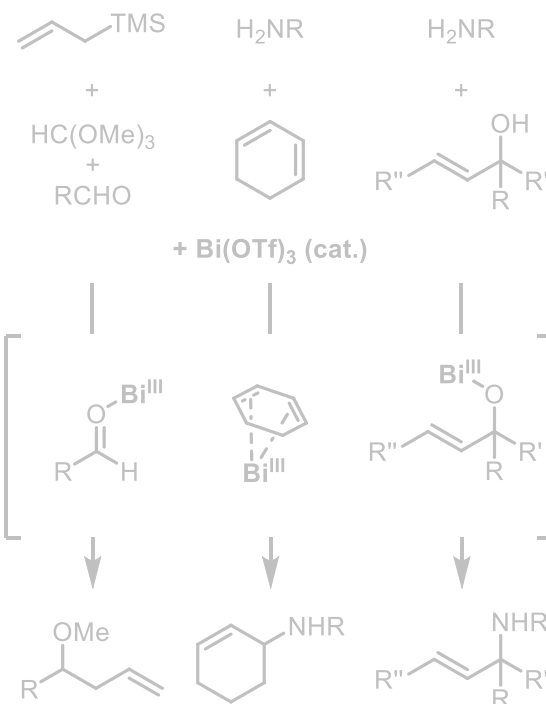


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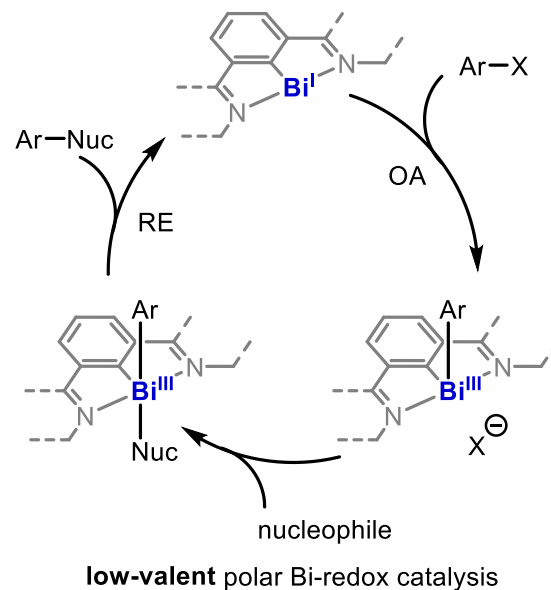


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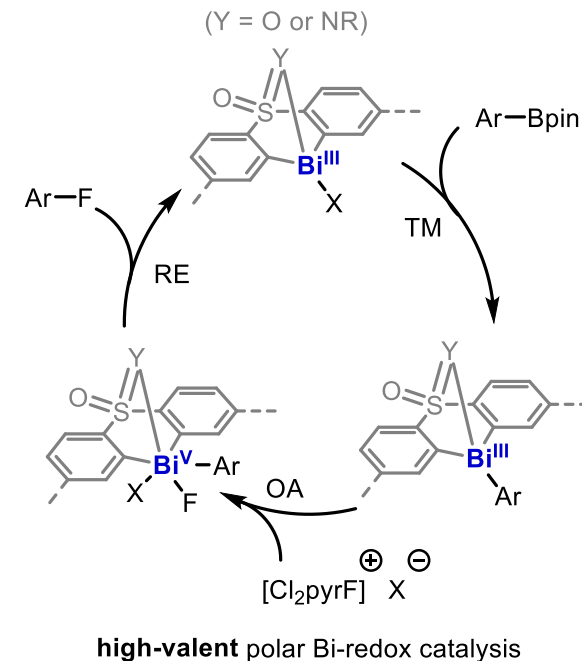
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Polar bismuth redox catalysis:
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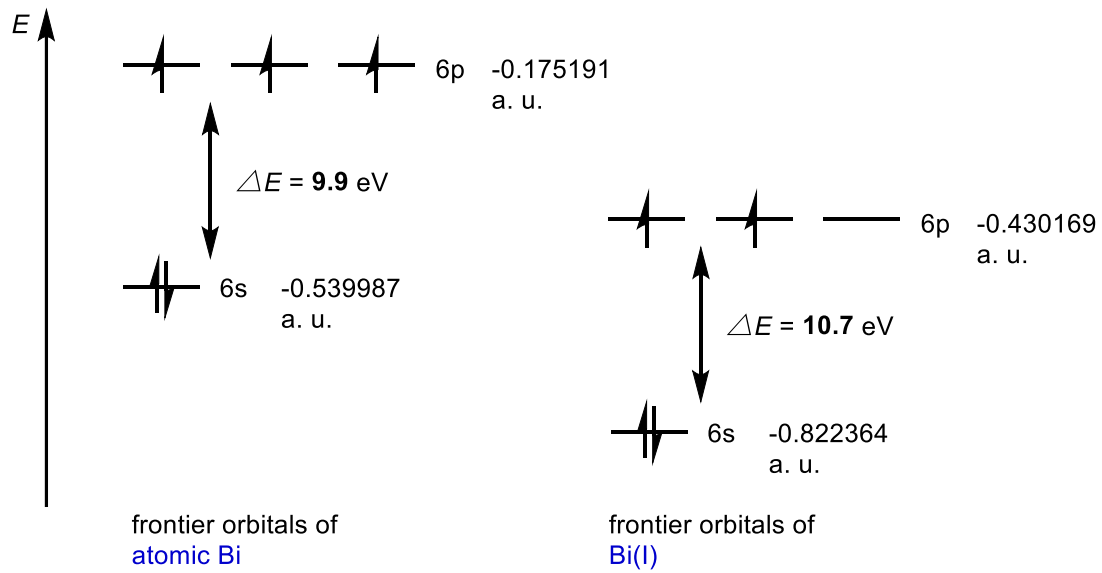
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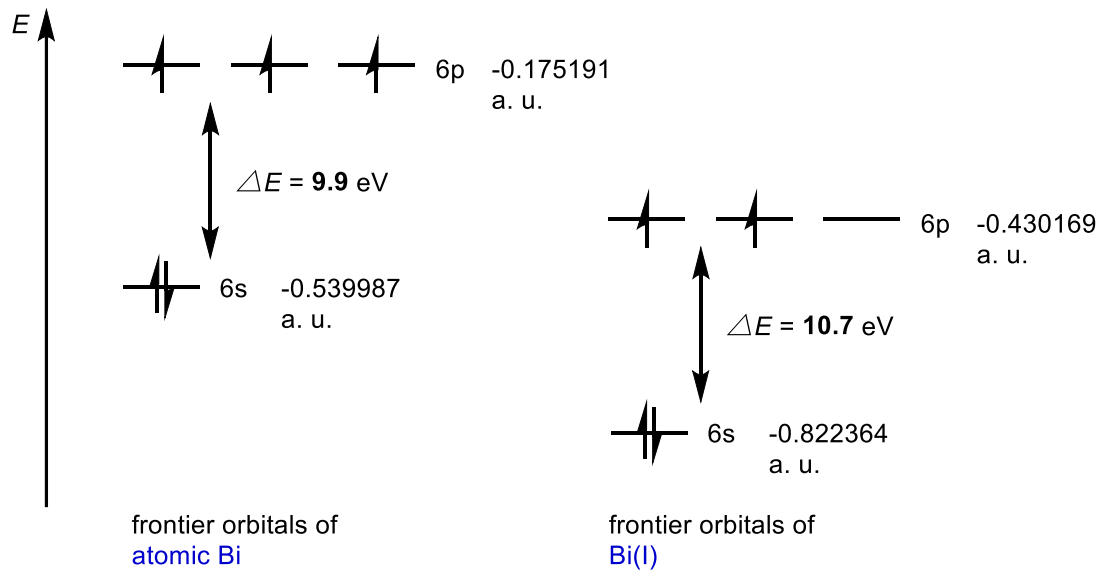


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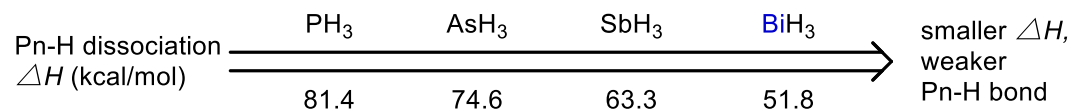
Pn-H dissociation ΔH (kcal/mol)	PH ₃	AsH ₃	SbH ₃	BiH ₃	
	81.4	74.6	63.3	51.8	smaller ΔH , weaker Pn-H bond

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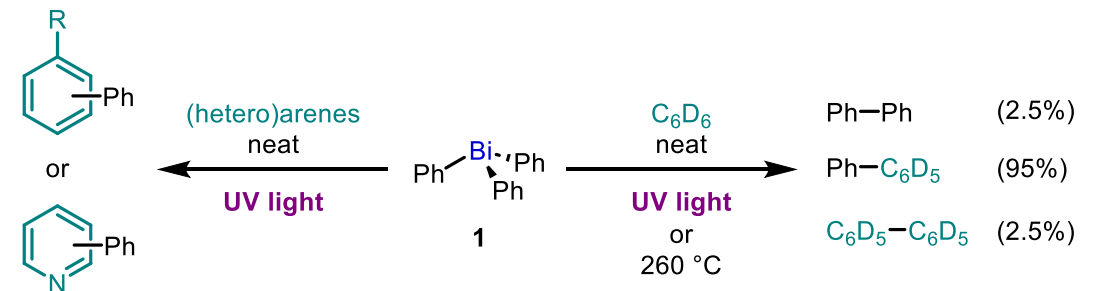
Low Bi-E dissociation ΔH

Facile Bi(III)-E homolytic cleavage

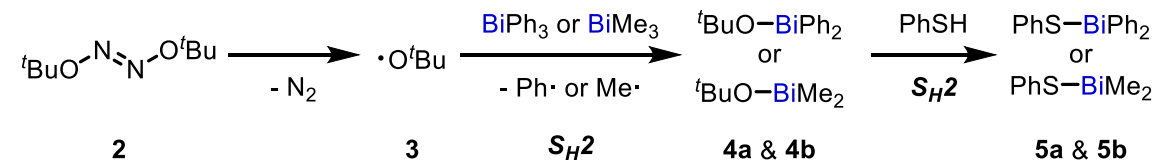
Generation of **Bi(II)** radicals

2 selected hints of **Bi(II)** radical formation:

G. H. Williams (1963) & O. N. Druzhkov (1965):



A. G. Davies (1971):



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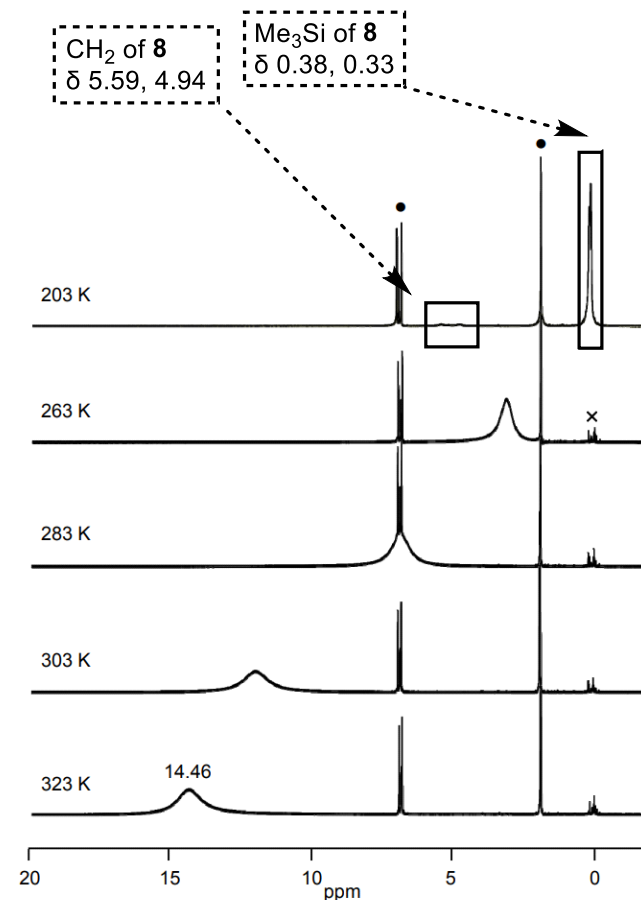
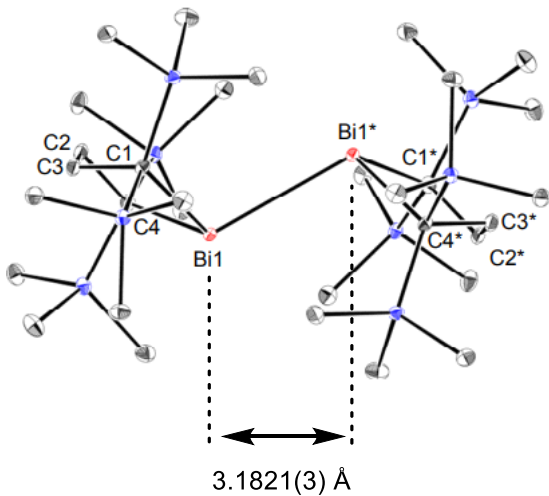
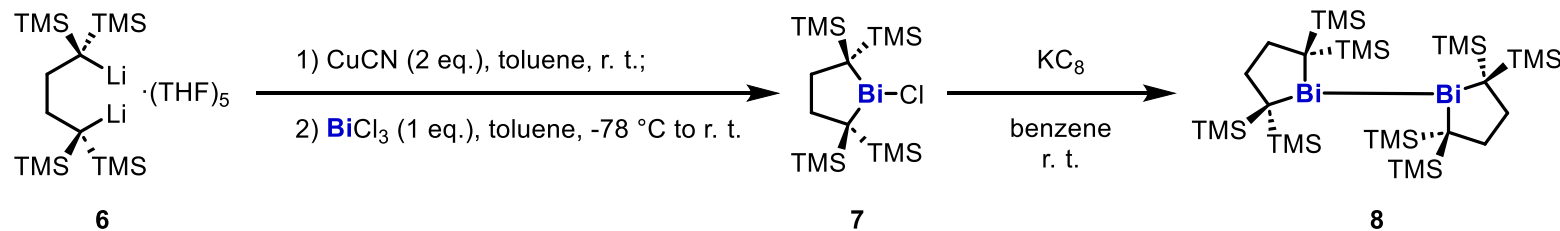
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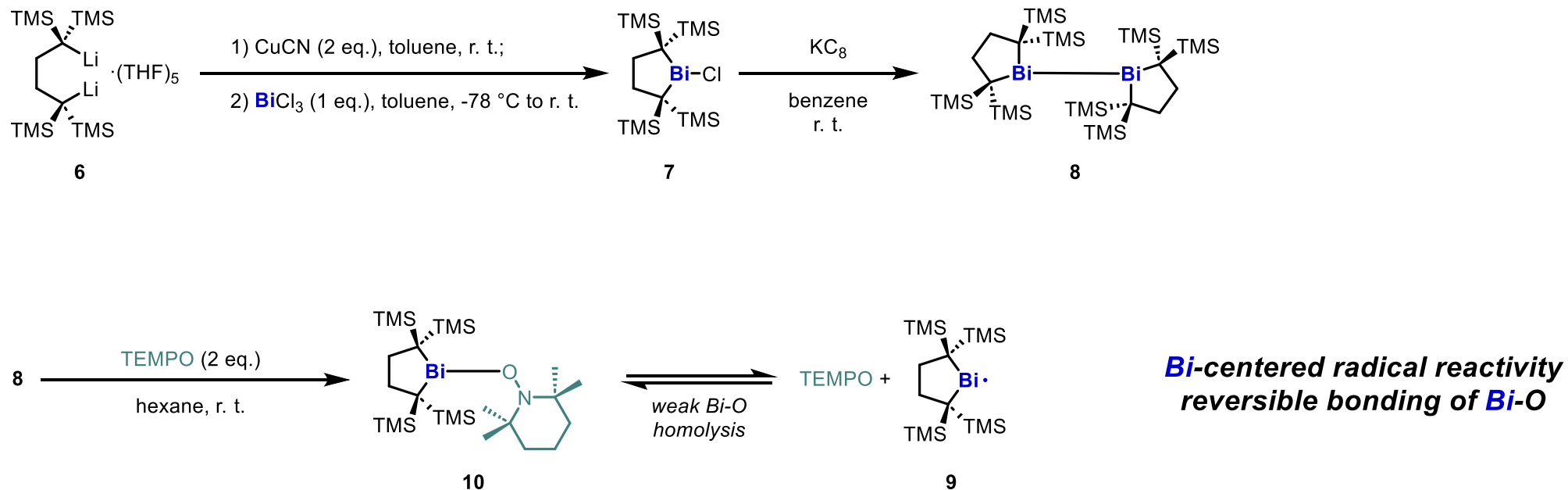
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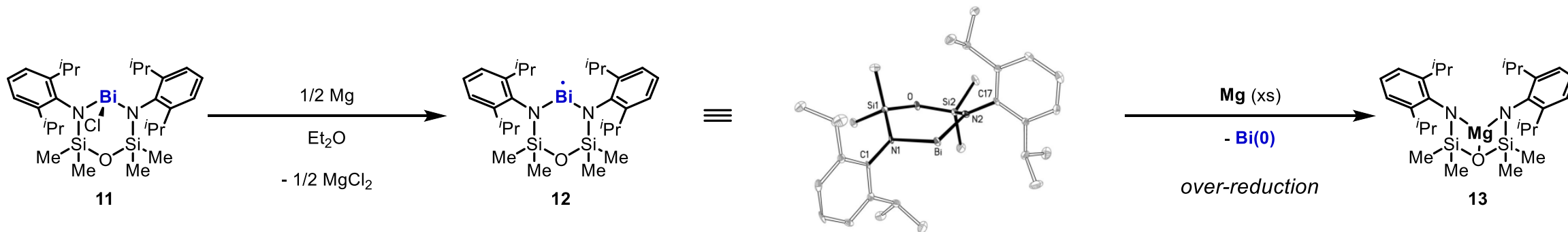
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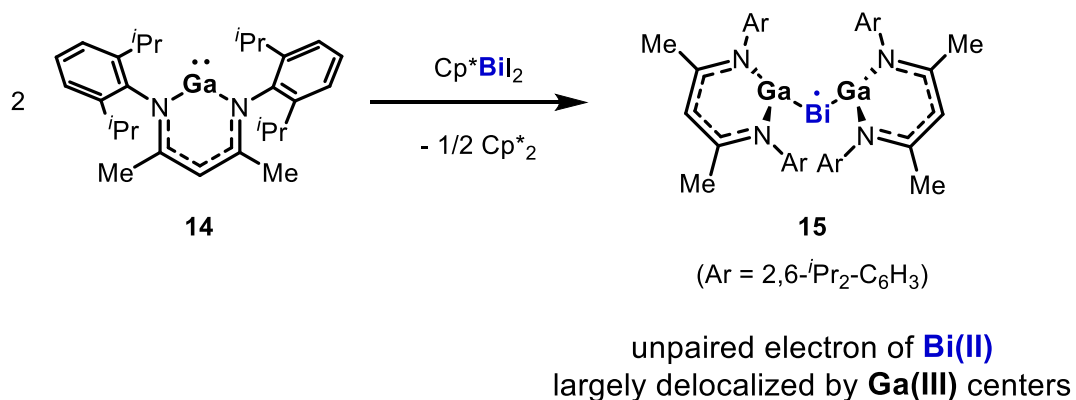


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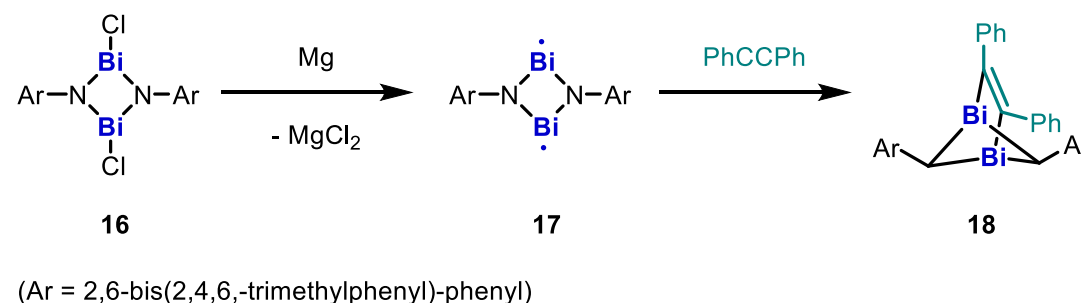
M. P. Coles (2015): first monomeric **Bi(II)** radical stable in the solid state



Stephen Schultz (2018):

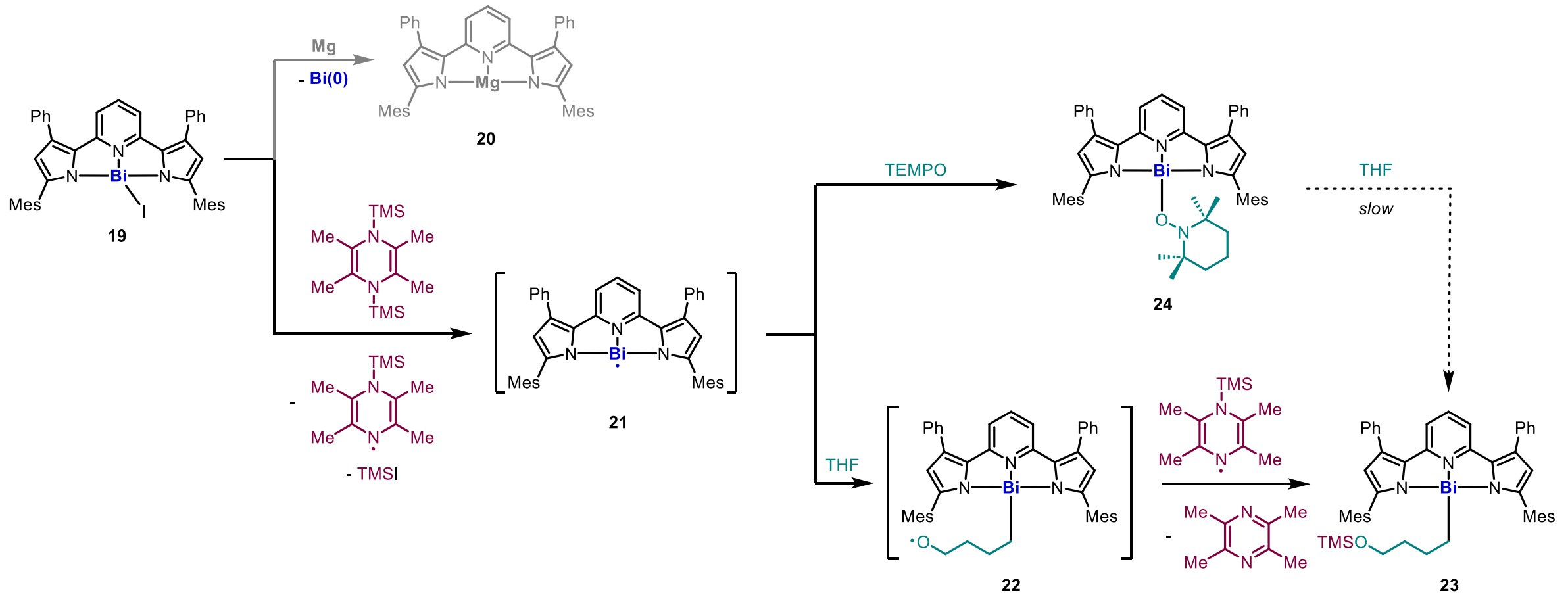


Axel Schultz (2018): **Bi(II)** biradical

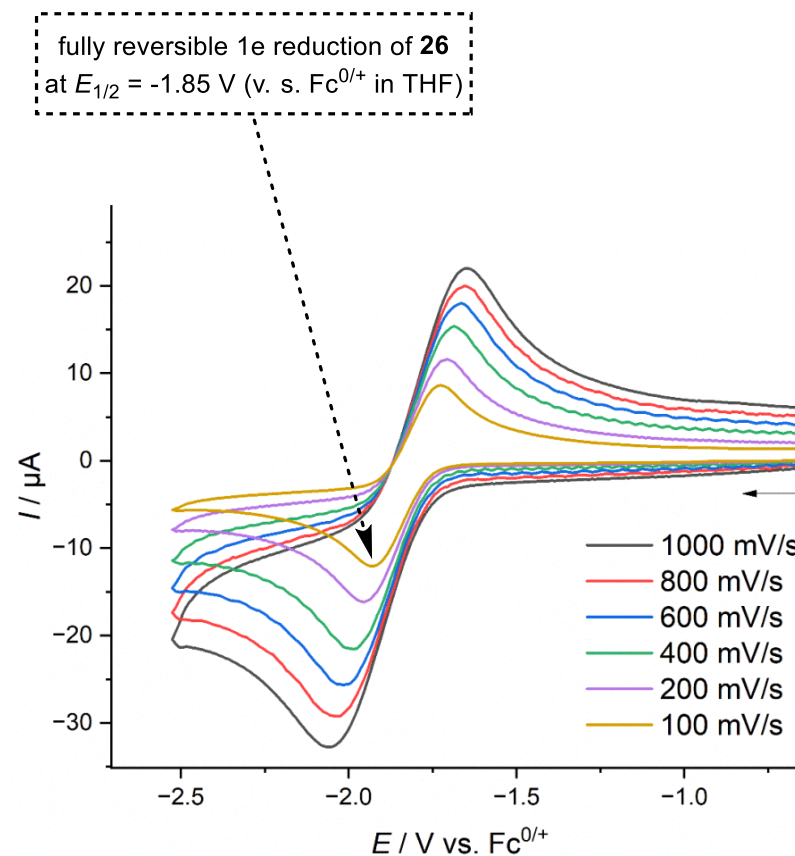
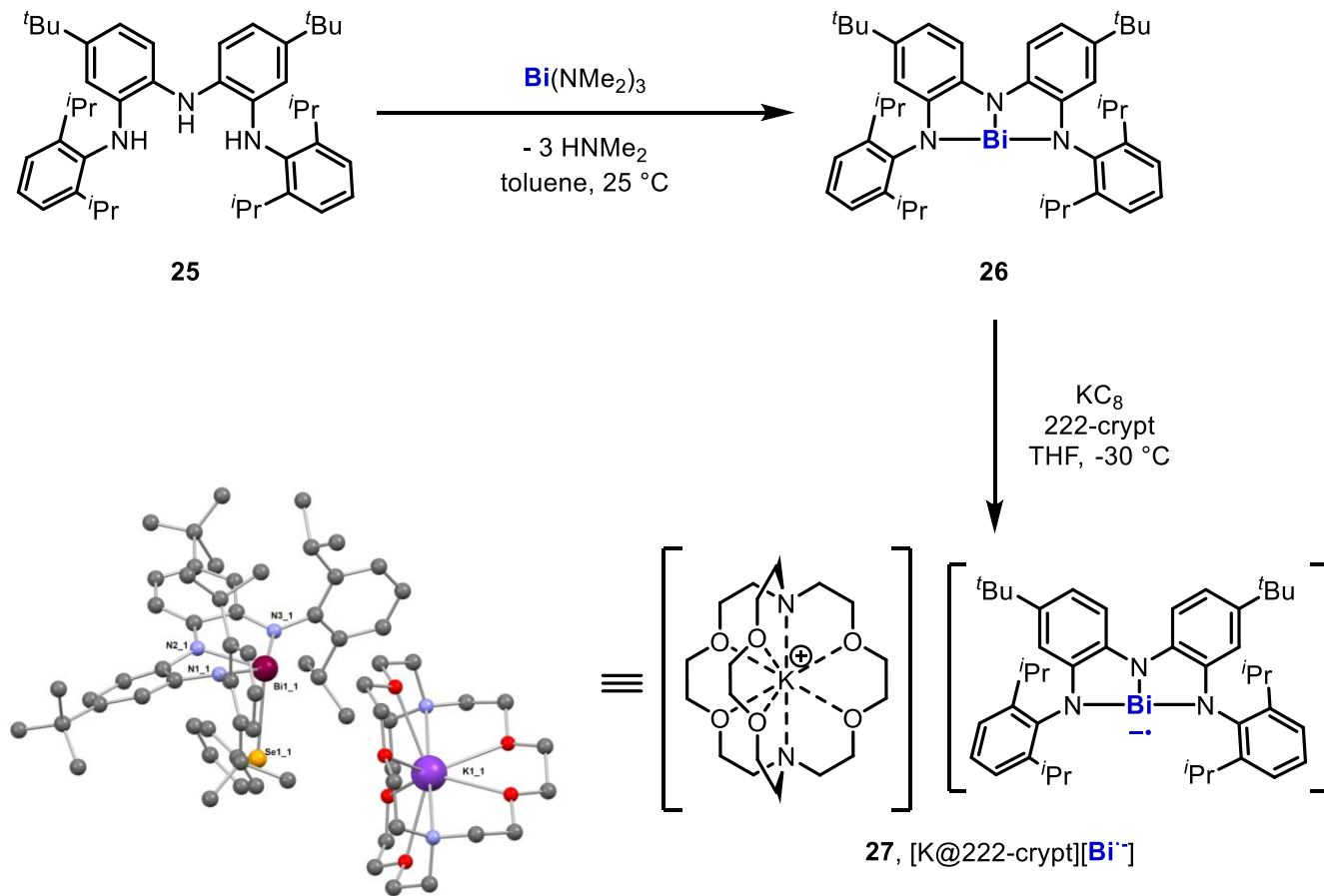


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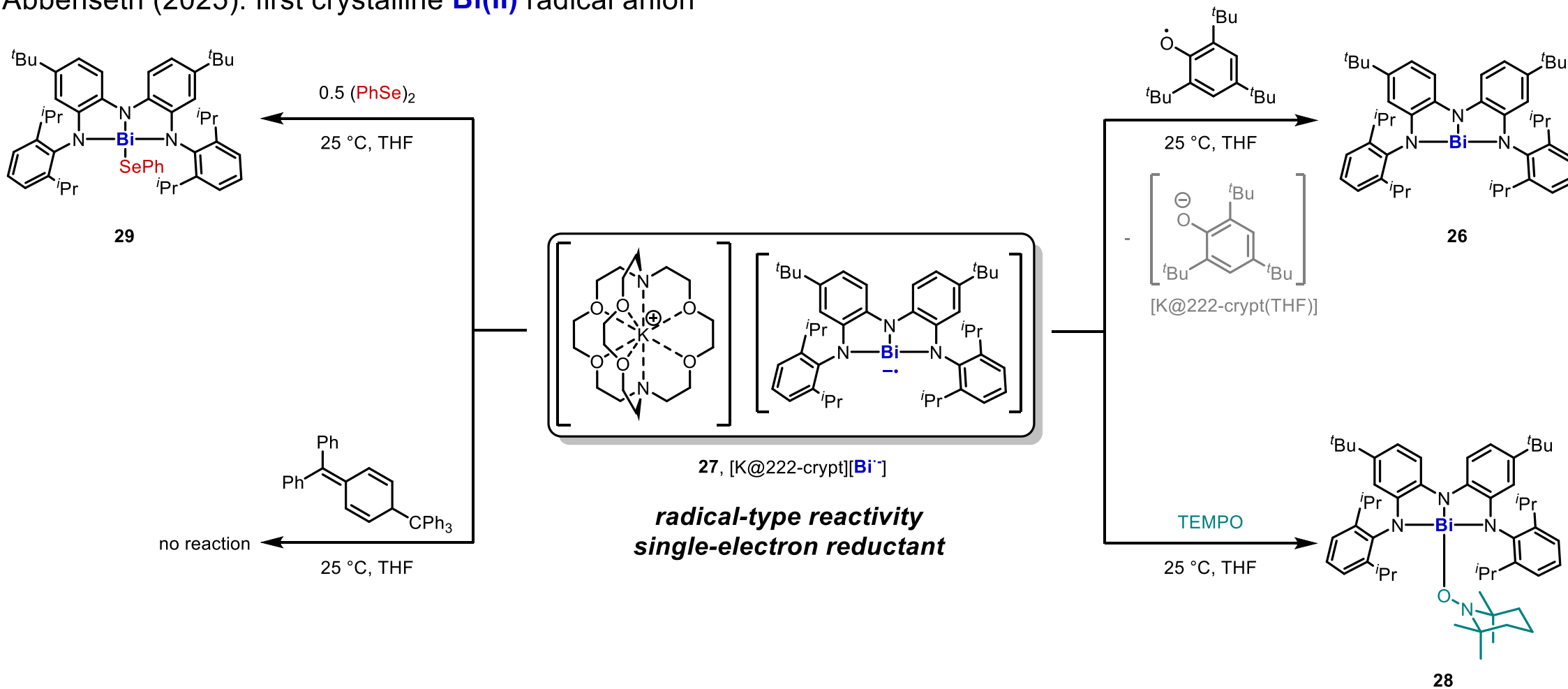
Z. R. Turner (2019): *N,N,N*-ligated **Bi(II)** radical generated by organic reductant & subsequent C(sp³)-O bond activation



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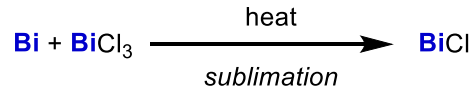


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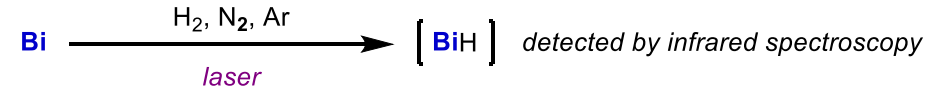


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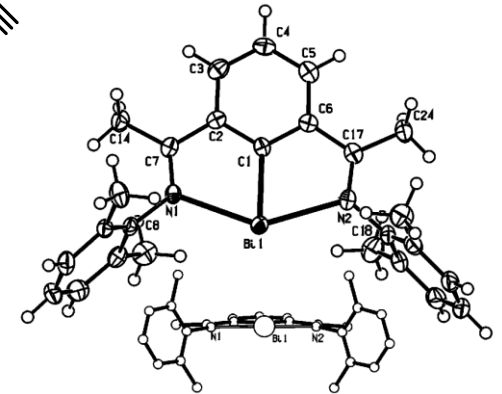
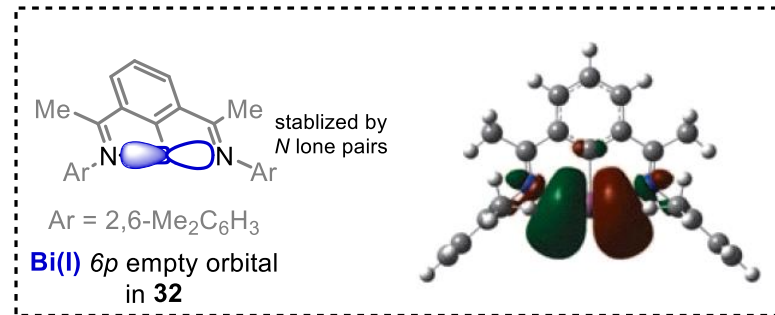
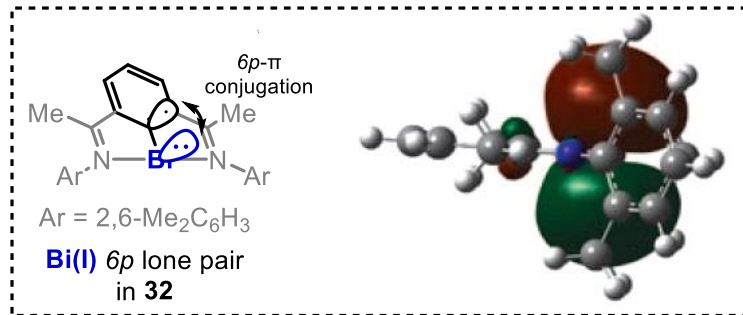
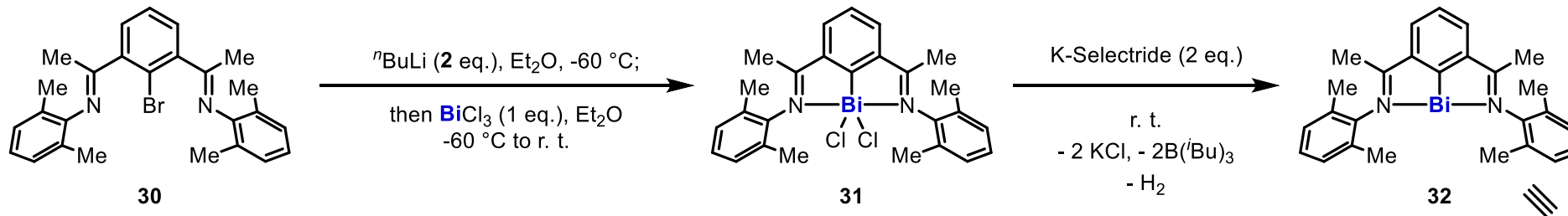
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L. Andrews (2003): laser-ablated generation of **Bi(I)**

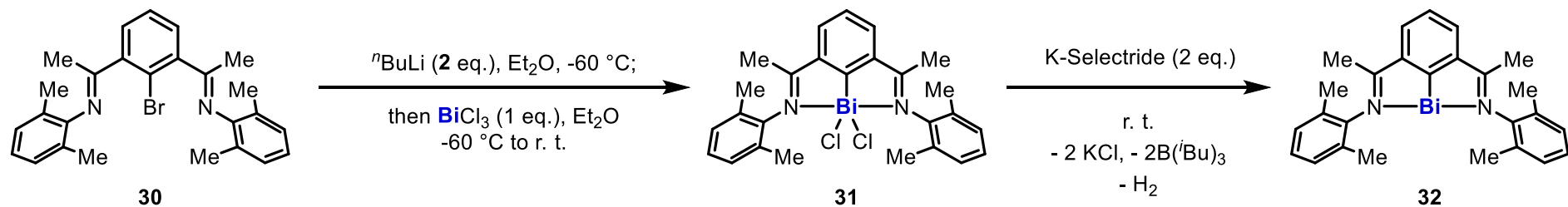


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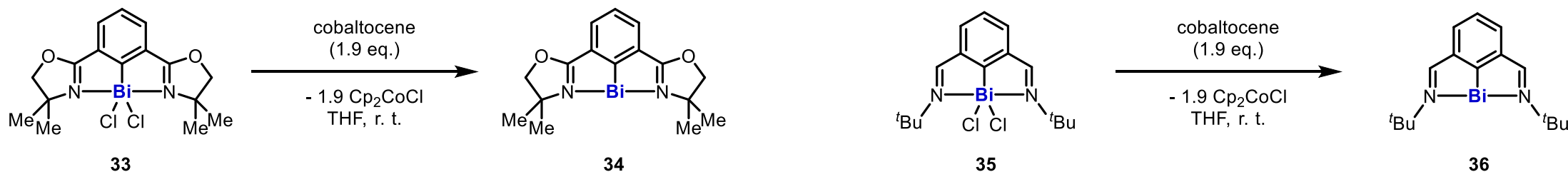


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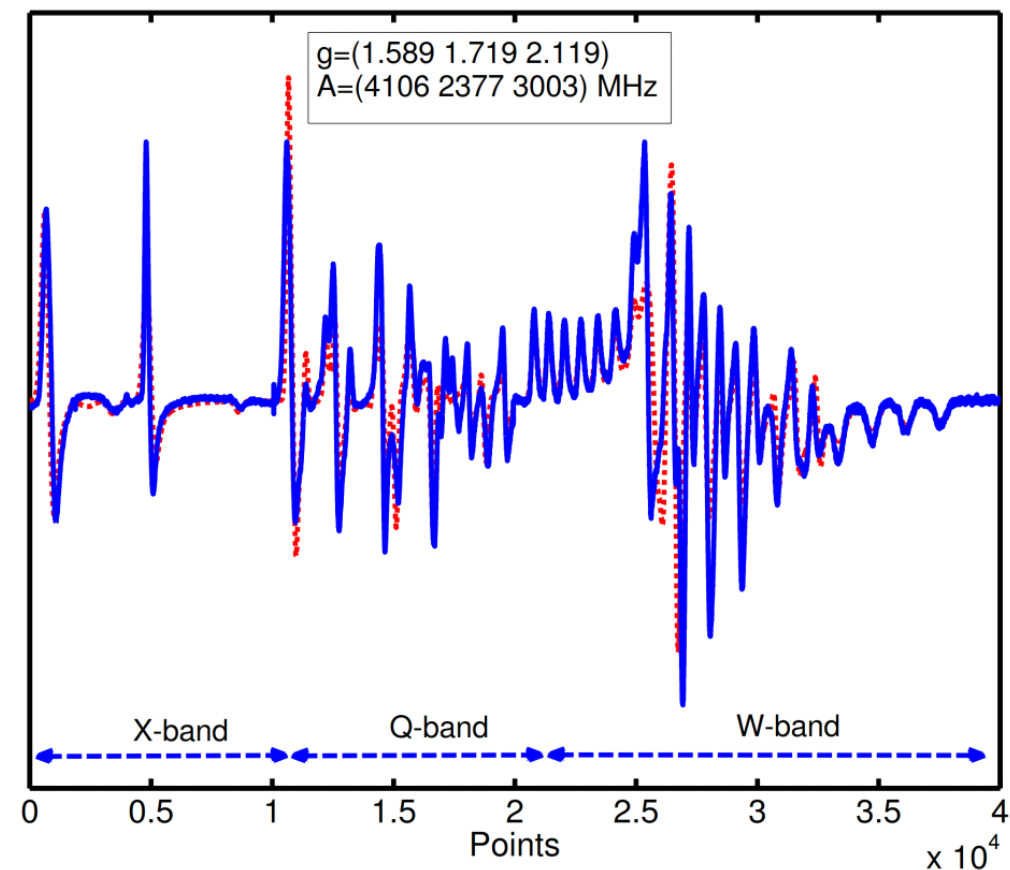
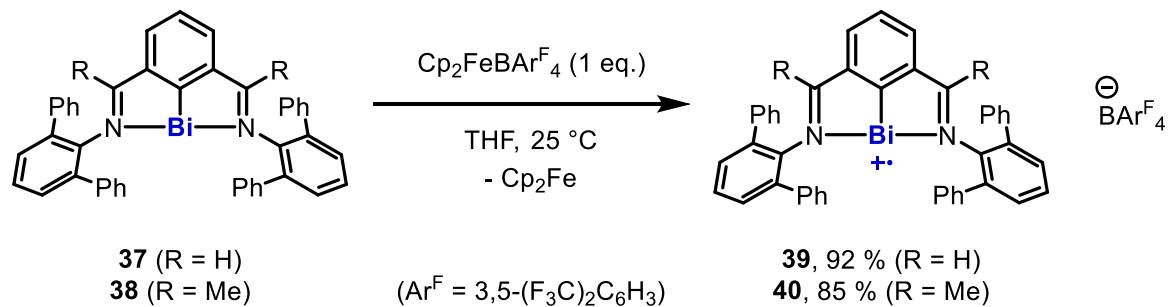
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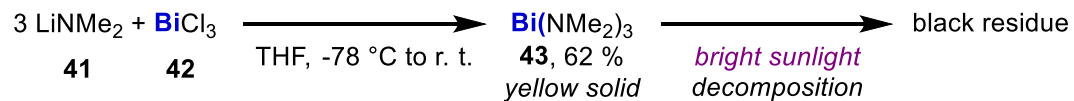
Josep Cornella (2023): first synthesis of two **Bi(II)** radical cation complexes



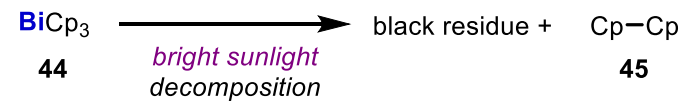
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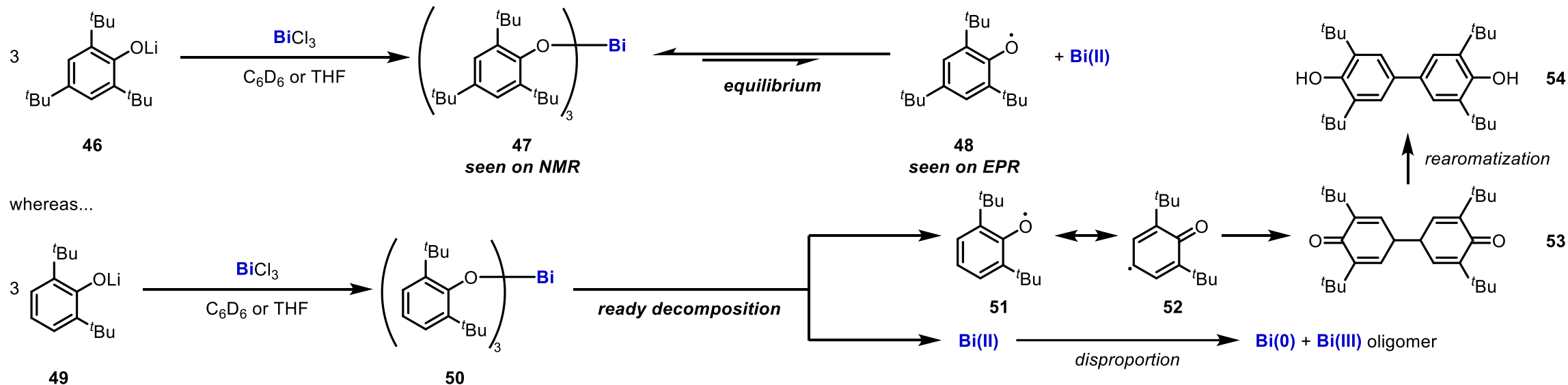
R. J. Errington & N. C. Norman (1991):



J. Lorberth (1995): **light-sensitivity** of **BiCp₃**

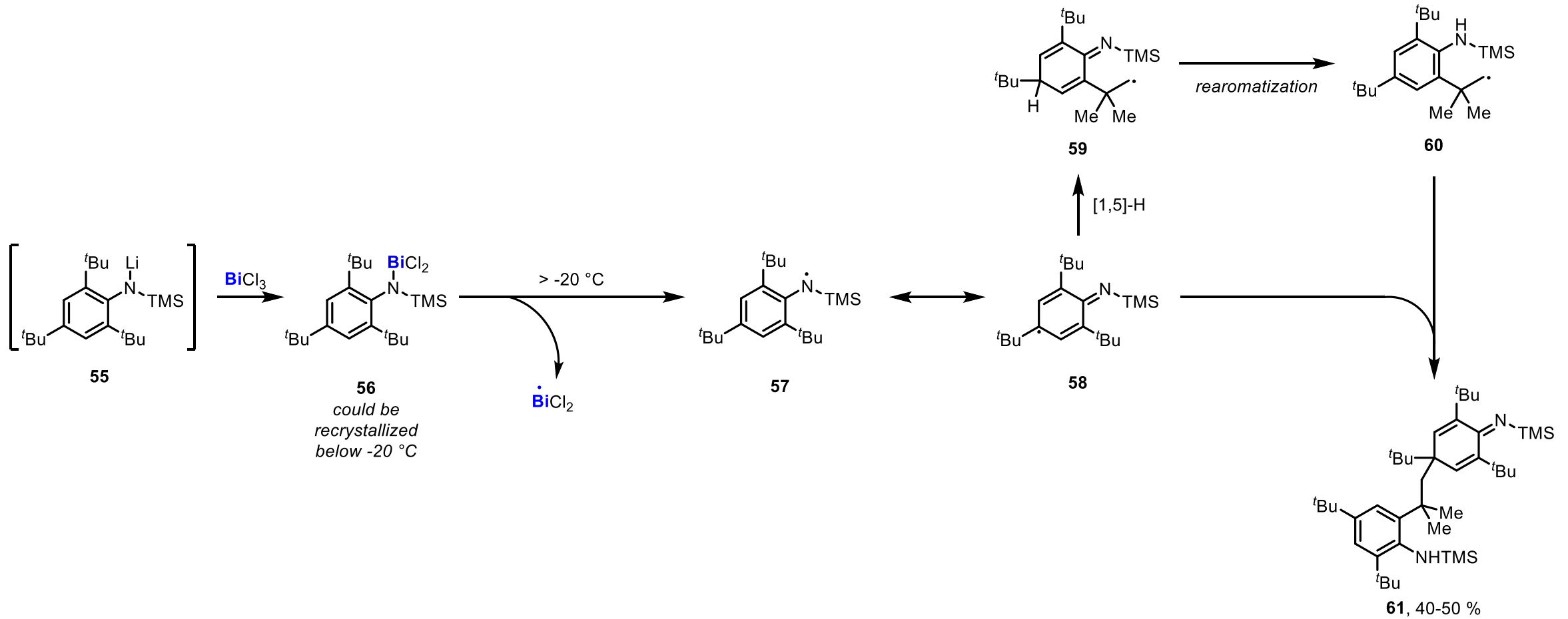


T. A. Hanna (2002 & 2009): **Bi(III)**-O homolysis of bismuth phenolates

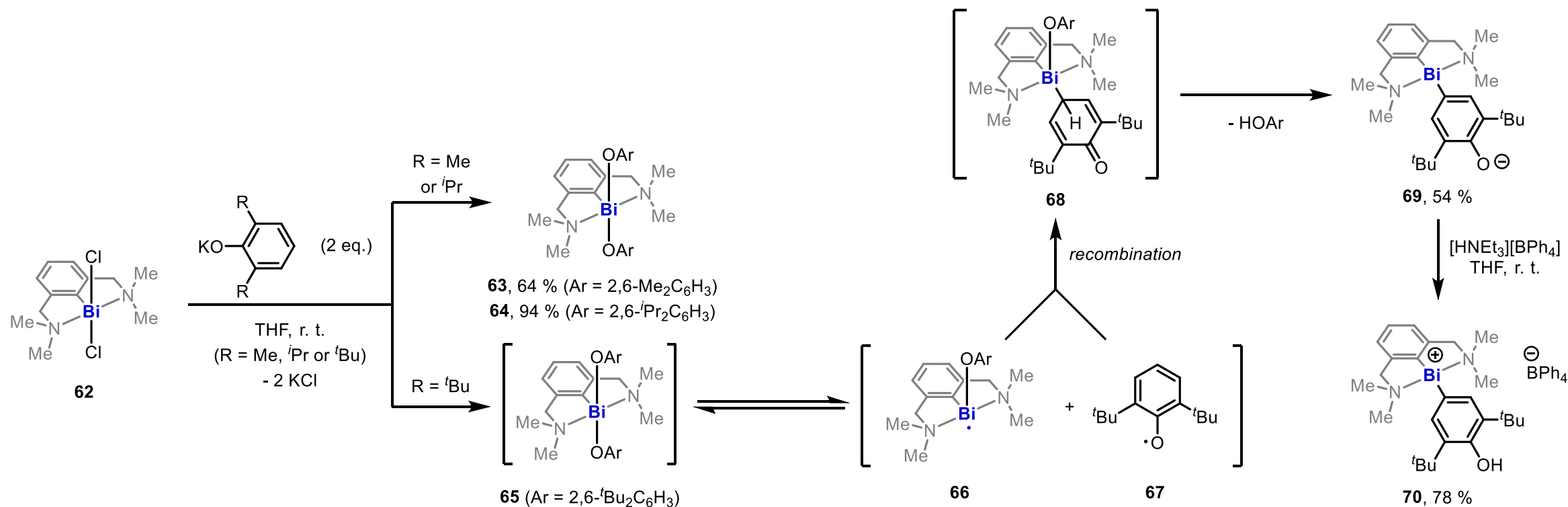


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Axel Schultz (2016): homolysis of **Bi(III)**-N bond

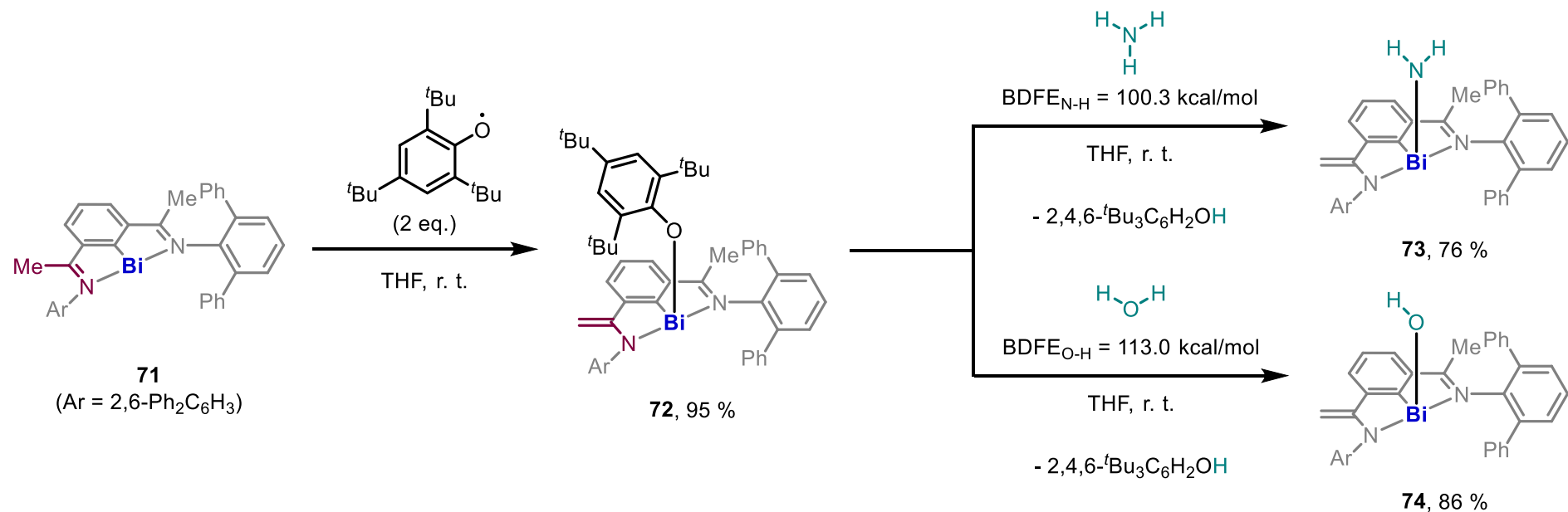


W. J. Evans (2011): unprecedented formation of a monodentate carbon-bound oxyaryl dianion



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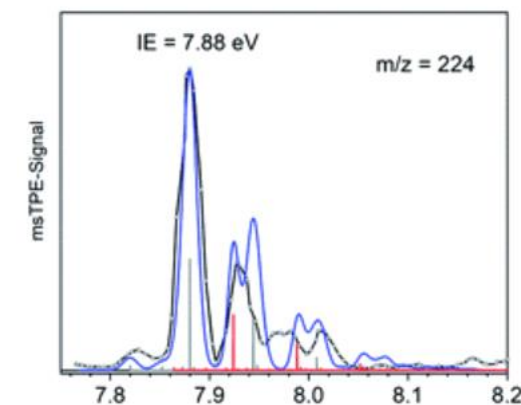
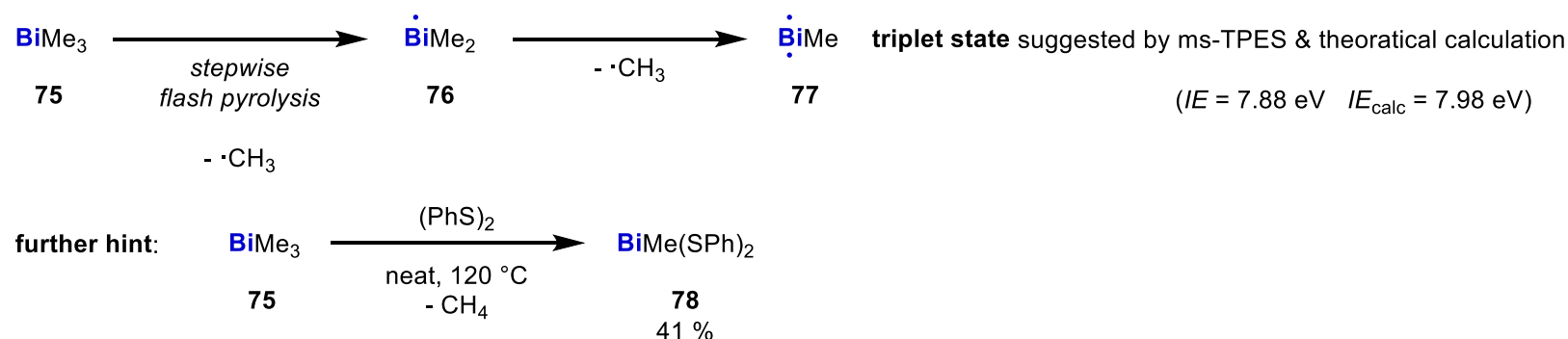
Josep Cornella (2022): radical activation of strong N-H and O-H bonds via **Bi(III)**-O homolytic cleavage



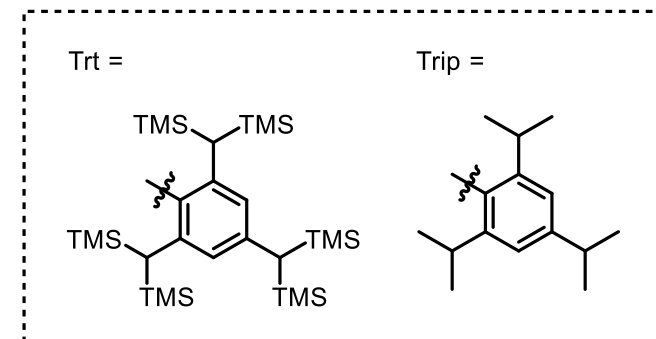
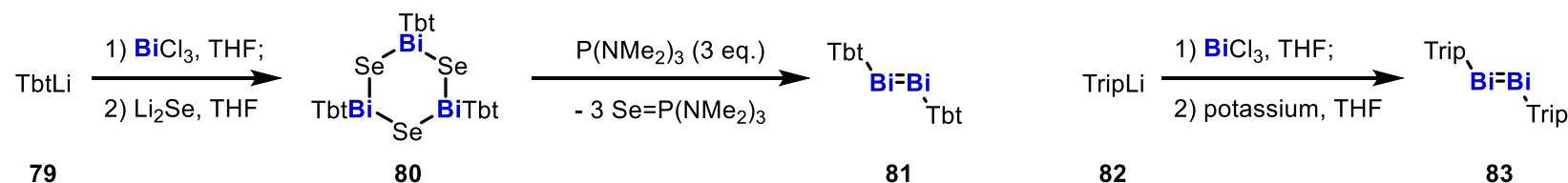
Activation of other X-H bonds

BDFE (kcal/mol)	79.8	97.0	90.7	95.0
yield of resultant Bi complex	92 %	98 %	95 %	78 %

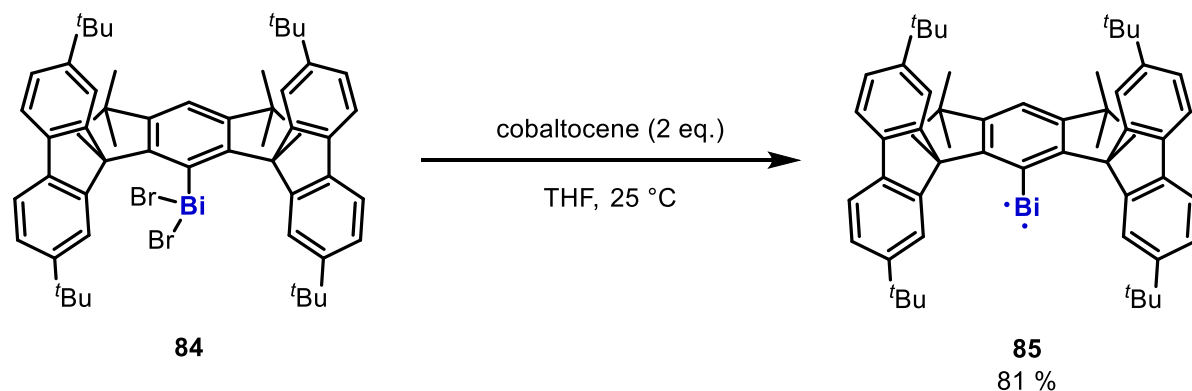
C. Lichtenberg (2020): generation & analysis of the first diradical-type bismuthinidene



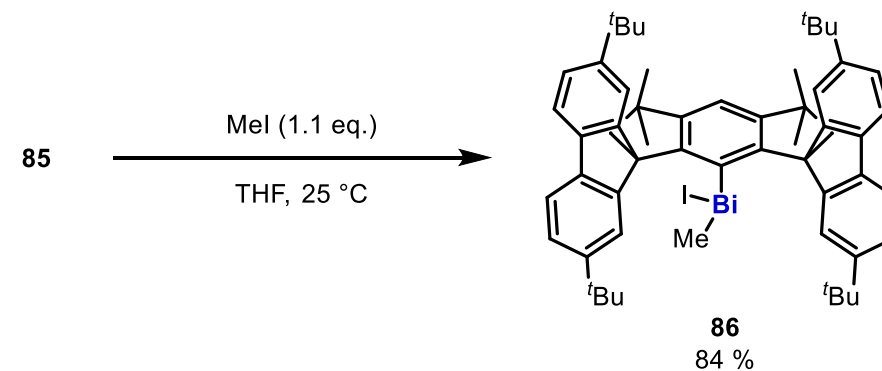
N. Tokitoh (1997) & P. P. Power (1999): yield of dibismuthene *via* reduction of **Bi(III)** compounds



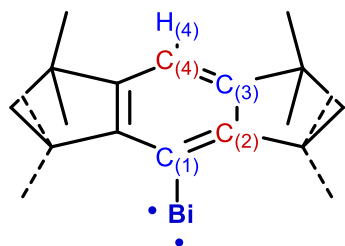
Frank Neese & Josep Cornella (2023): first synthesis & isolation of a hindered triplet bismuthinidene



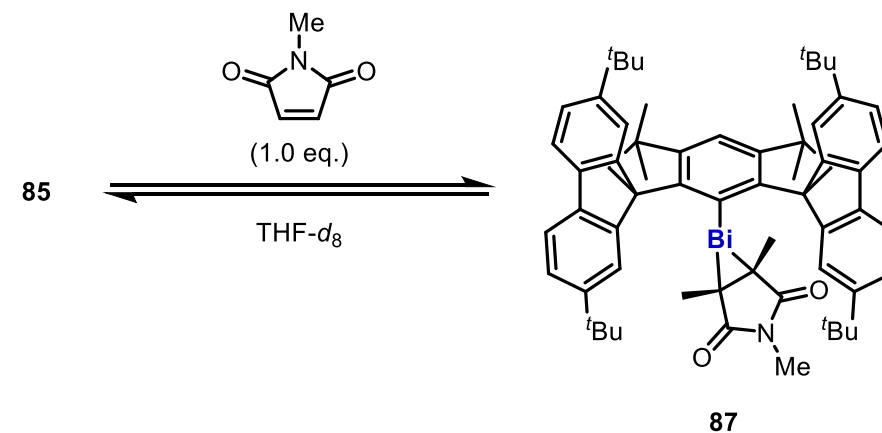
reactivity of **85**



NMR behavior of **85**



atoms		δ (ppm)
$C_{(1)}$	shielded	-203.8
$C_{(2)}$	deshielded	234.0
$C_{(3)}$	shielded	114.5
$C_{(4)}$	deshielded	160.0
$H_{(4)}$	shielded	-1.06





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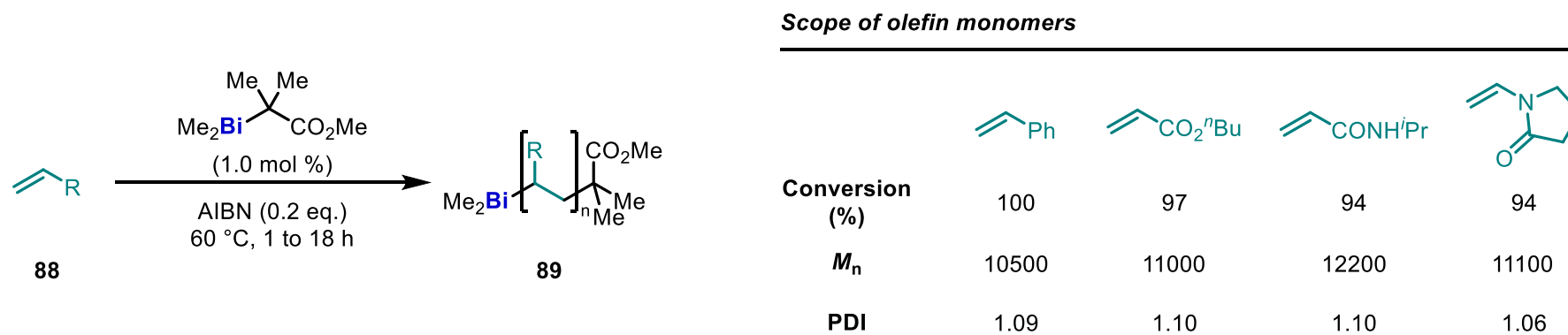
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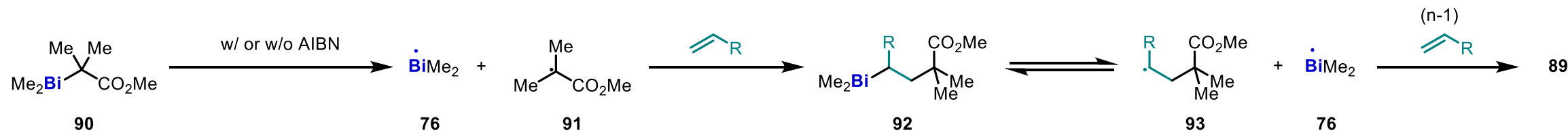
4. 总结与展望

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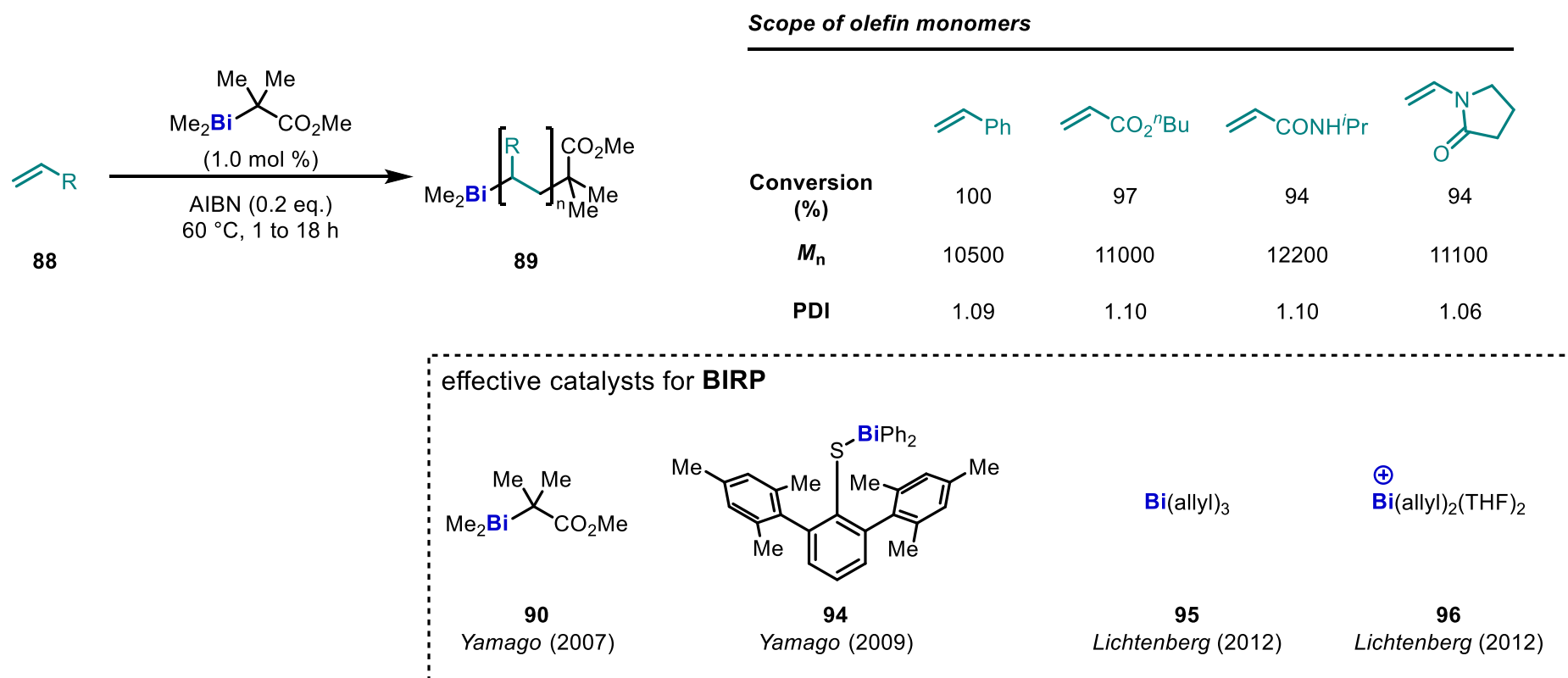


mechanism of polymerization



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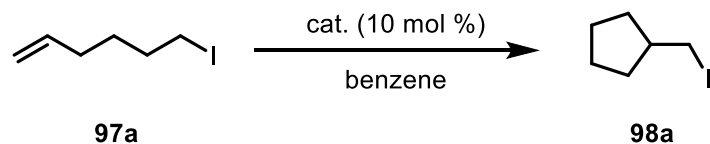


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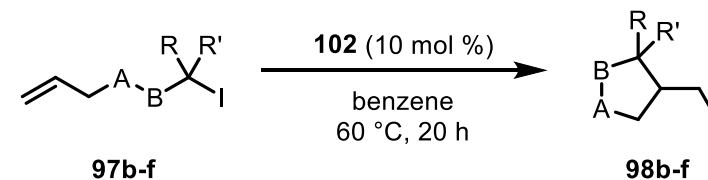
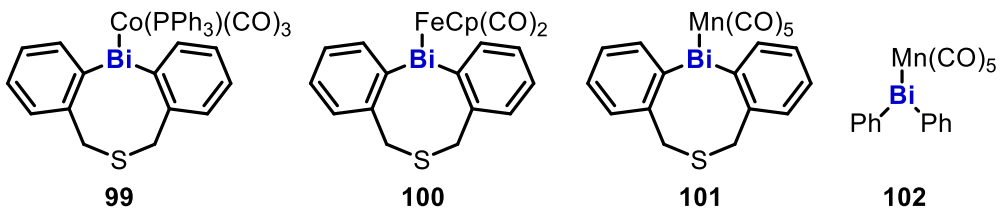
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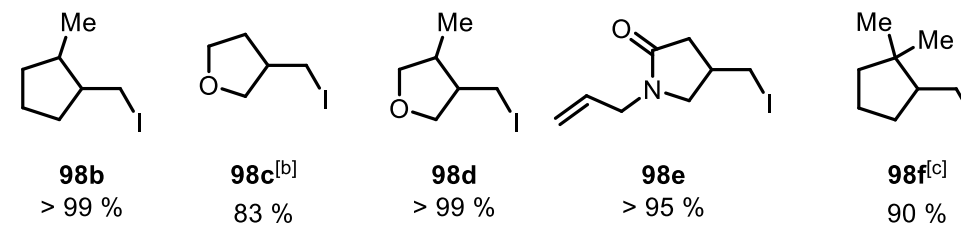
C. Lichtenberg (2019): Bi-Mn-catalyzed cycloisomerization of alkenyl iodides



catalyst	conditions	NMR yield
99	80 °C, 20 h	4
100	60 °C, 20 h	24
101	60 °C, 20 h	73
102	60 °C, 20 h, light	96
102	60 °C, 20 h, dark	95



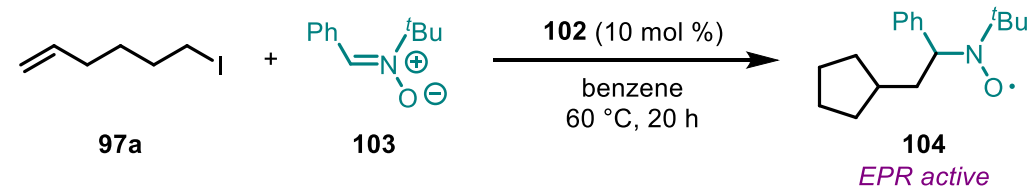
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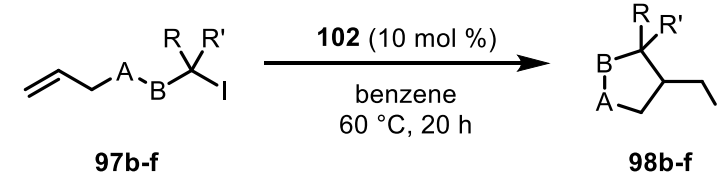
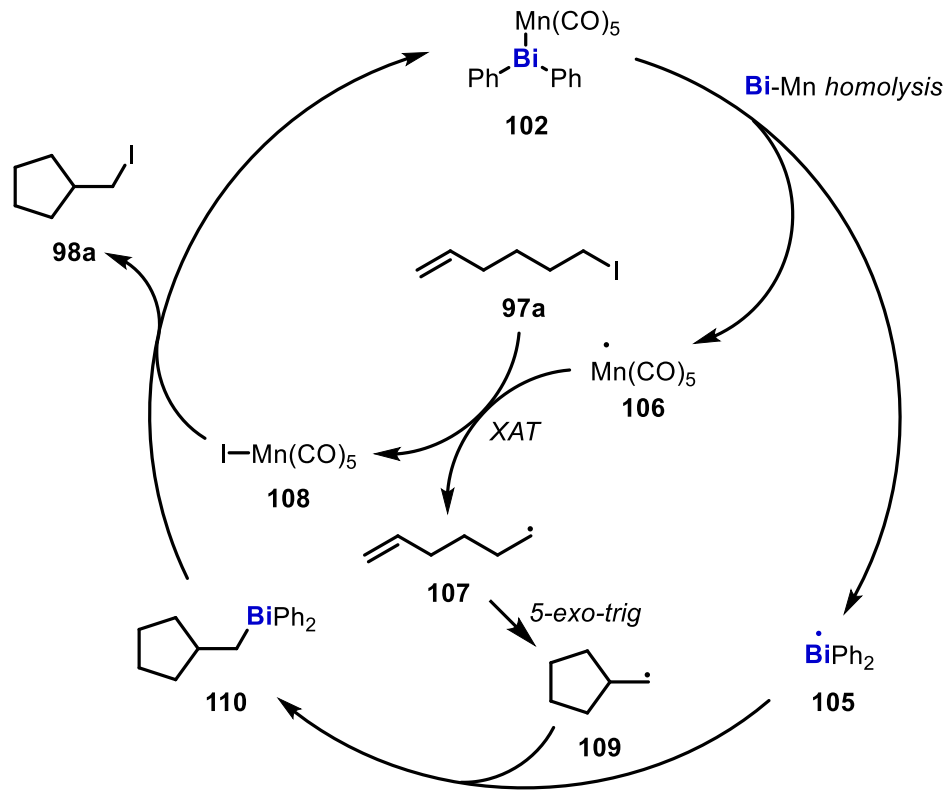
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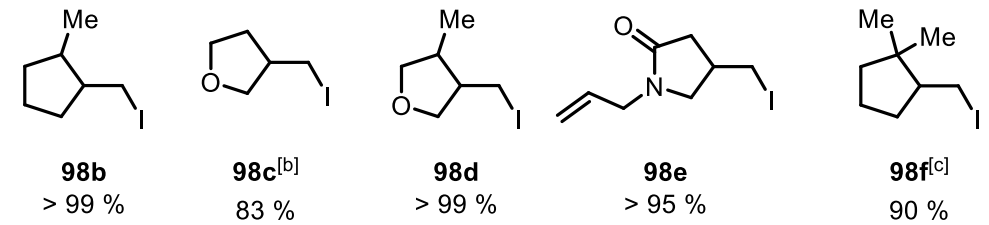
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possible mechanism



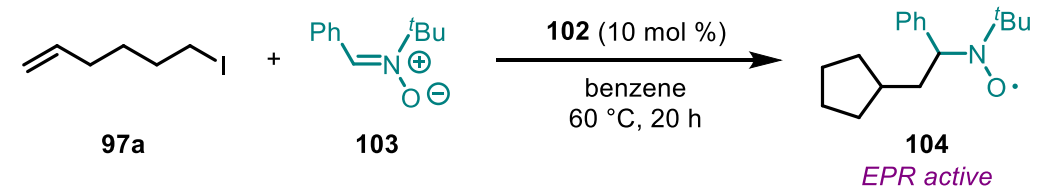
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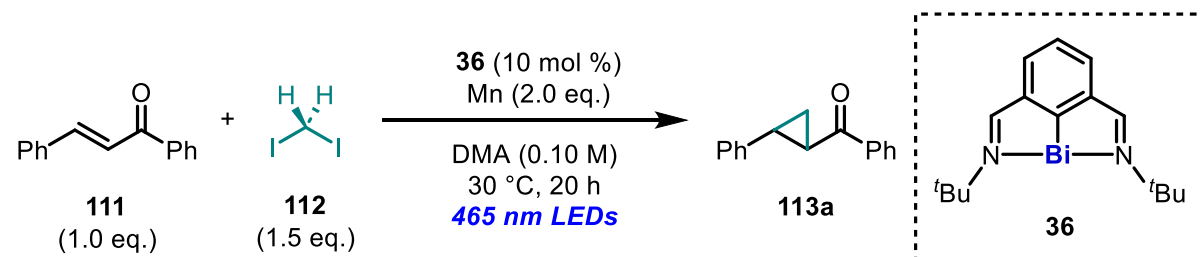
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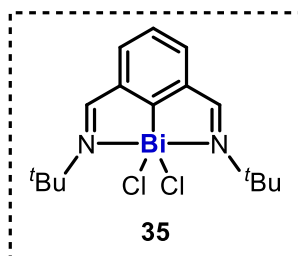
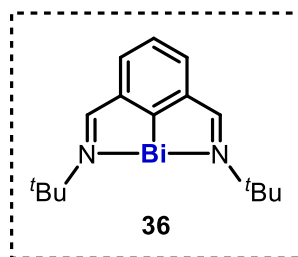
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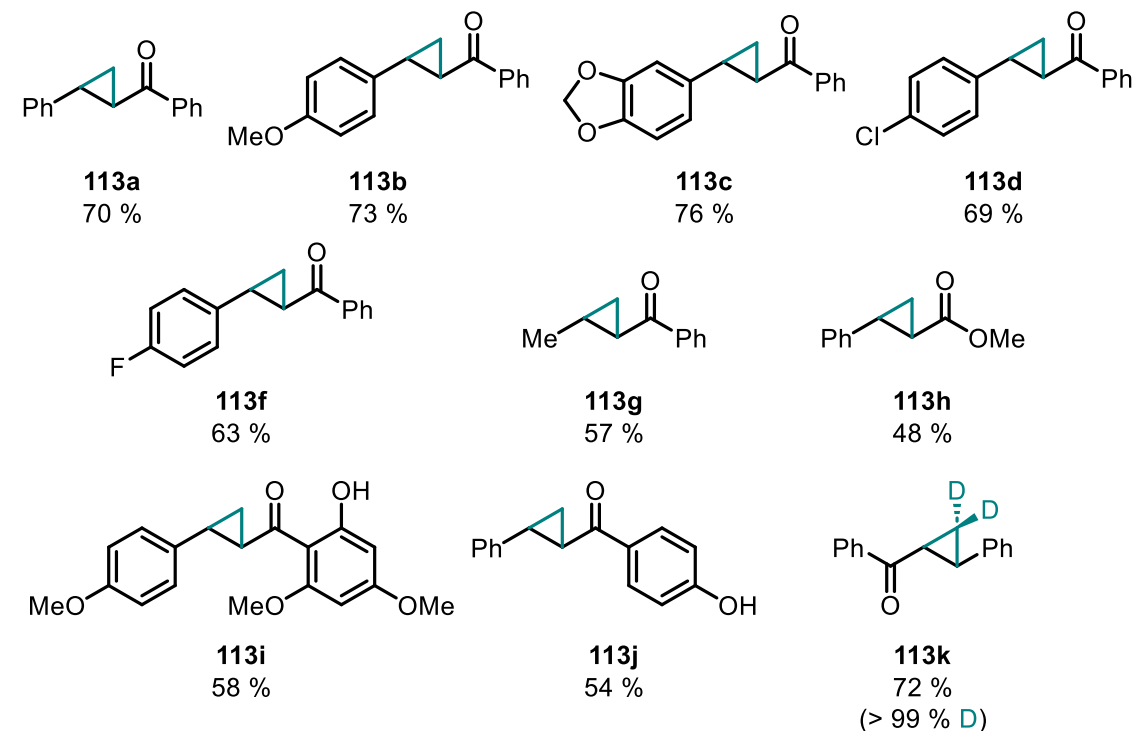
Josep Cornella (2024): **Bi**-catalyzed reductive cyclopropanation



entry	deviations from above	NMR yield of 113a (%)
1	none	74
2	w/o catalyst	trace
3	w/o light	trace
4	red LEDs	trace
5	MeCN instead of DMA	51
6	Zn instead of Mn	30
7	35 instead of 36	68
8	CH ₂ Br ₂ /NaI instead of CH ₂ I ₂	40



Scope of intermolecular cyclopropanation w/ enones^{[a][b][c]}



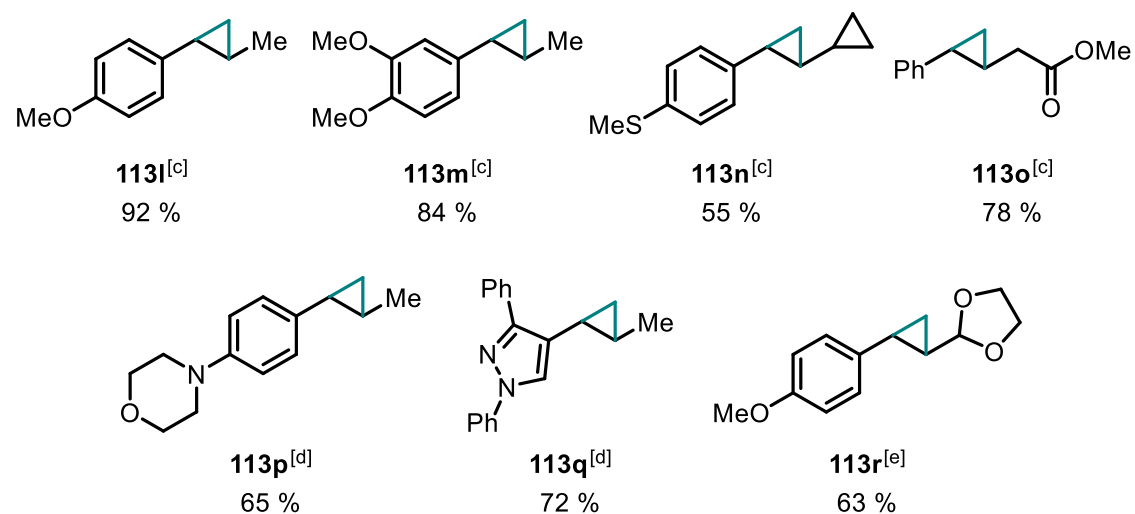
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Selected scope of intermolecular cyclopropanation w/ β -styrenes^{[a][b]}

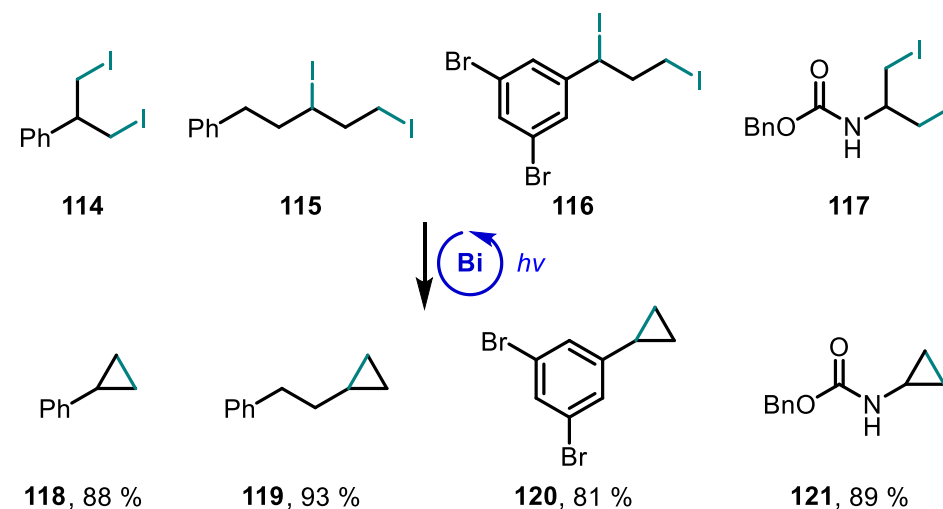


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^[c] From *E/Z* alkene > 20:1; ^[d] From *E/Z* alkene = 1:4; ^[e] From *E/Z* alkene = 1.8:1.

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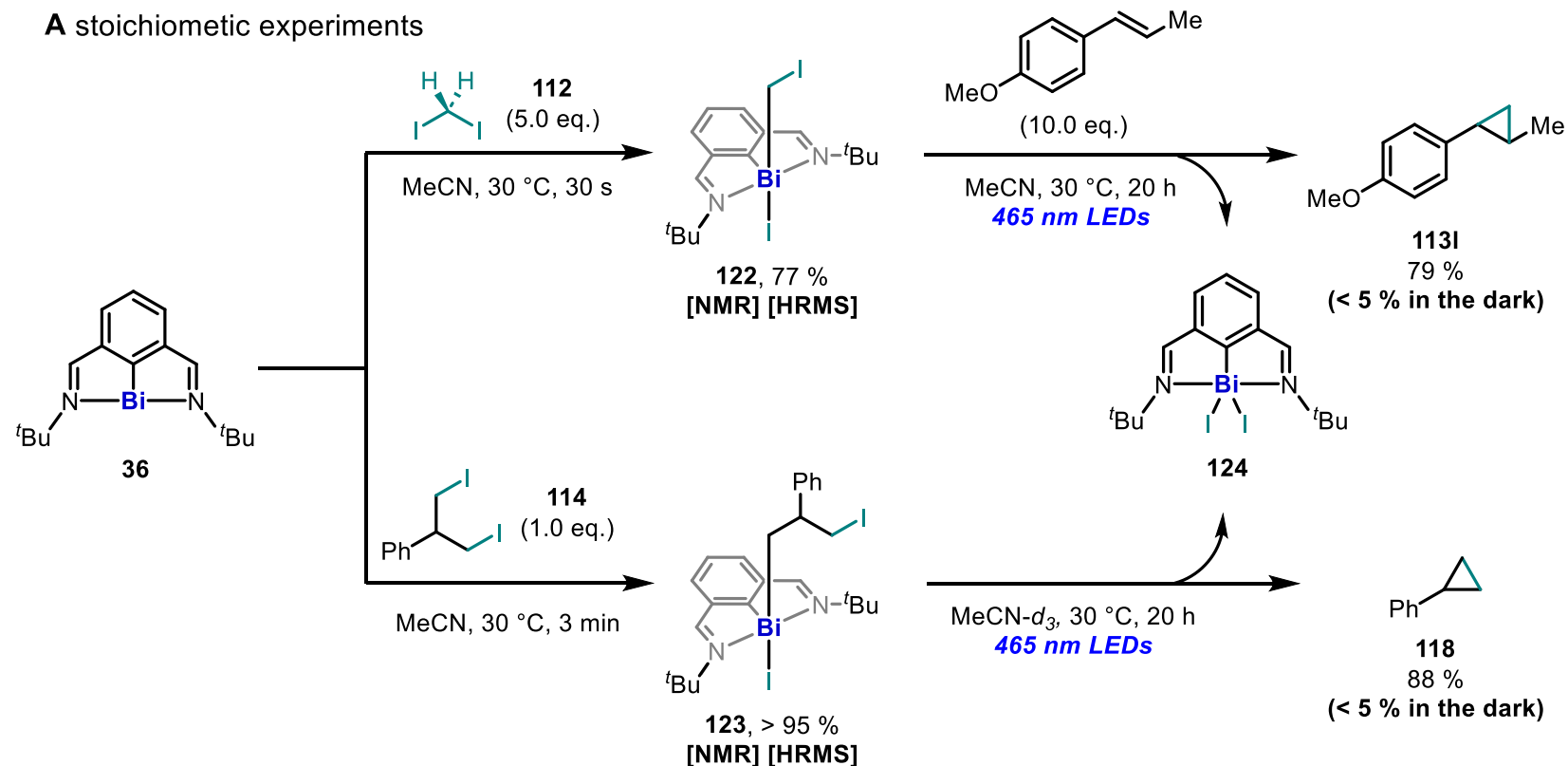


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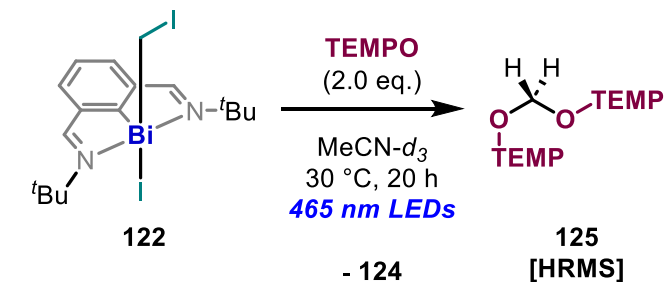
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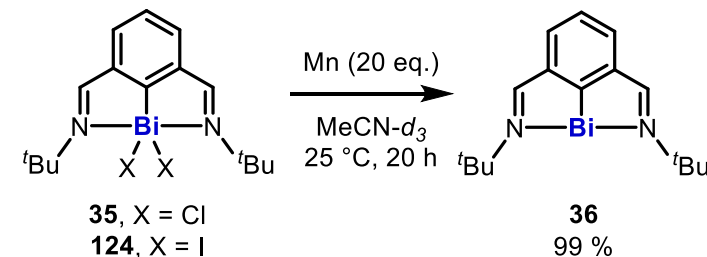
A stoichiometric experiments



B reaction w/ **TEMPO** radical

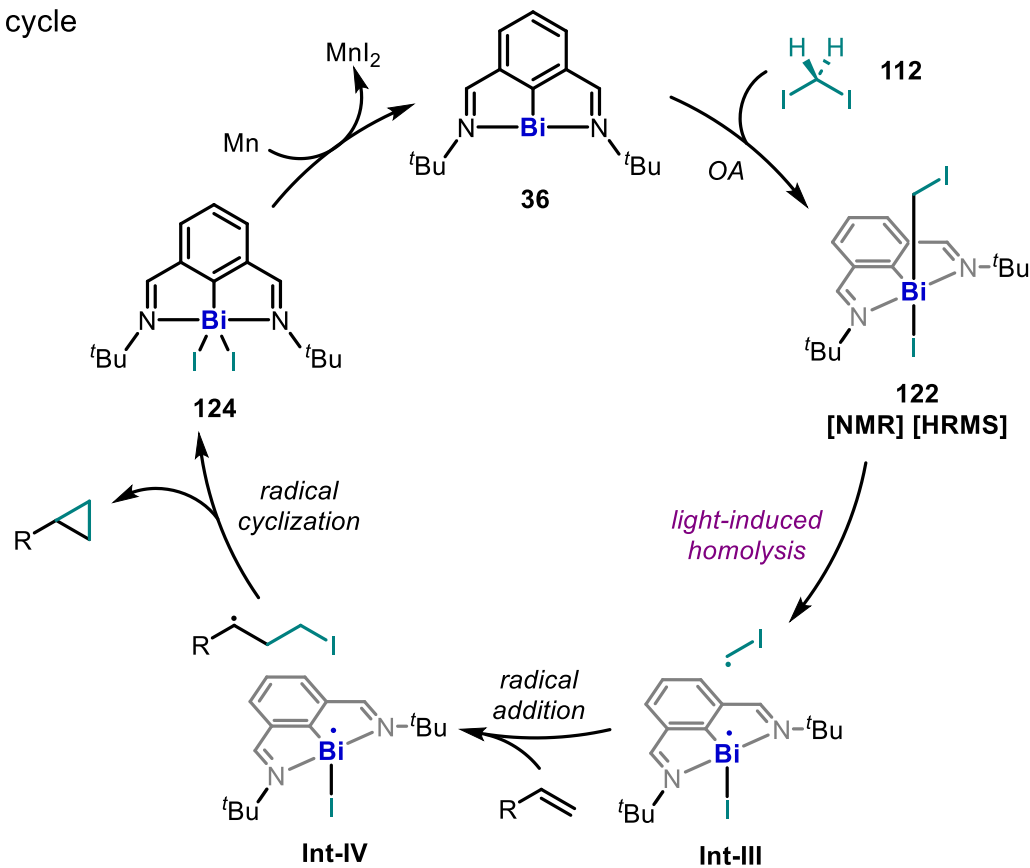


C validating the reduction of **Bi(III)** w/ Mn

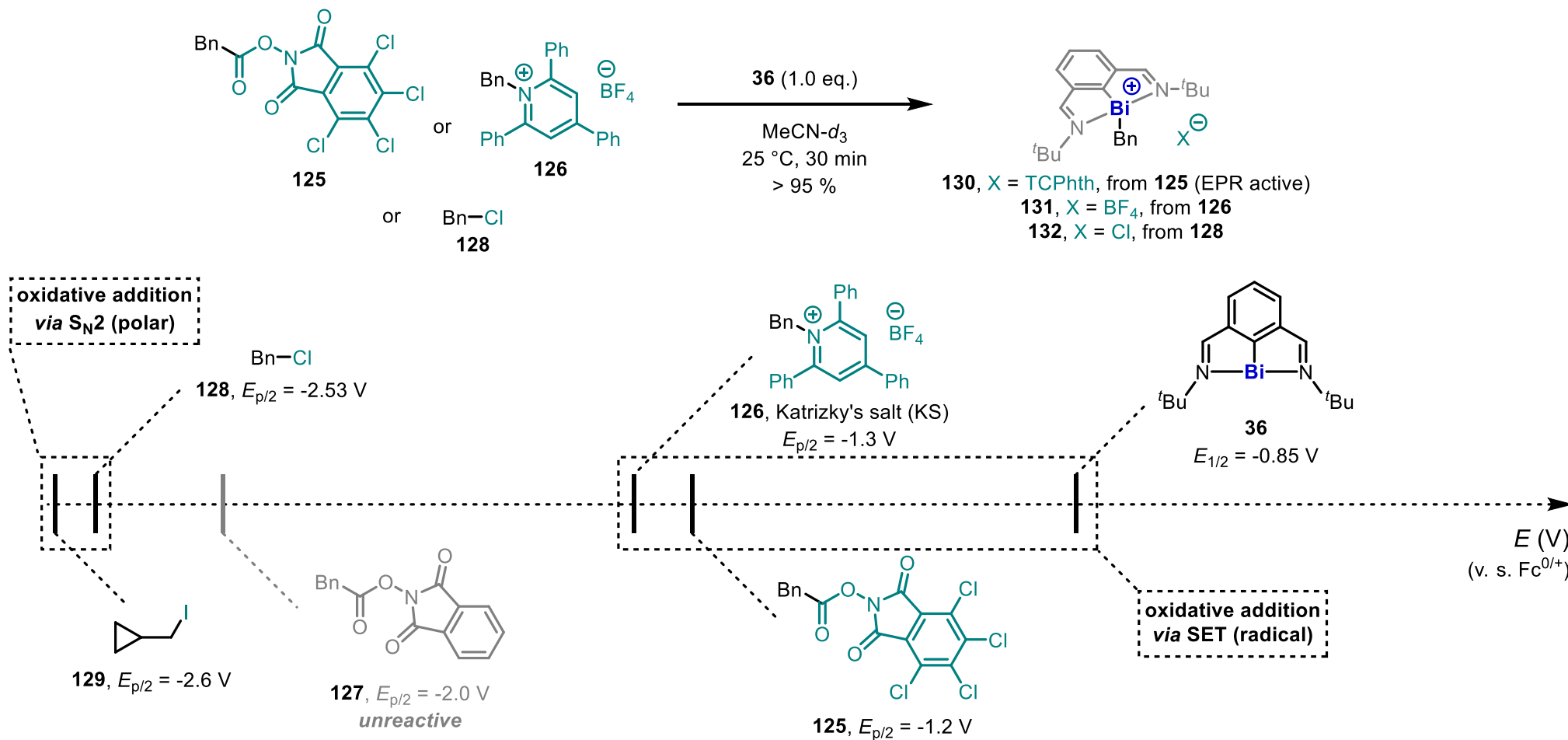


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D possible mechanism: **Bi(I/III/II/III)** catalytic cycle

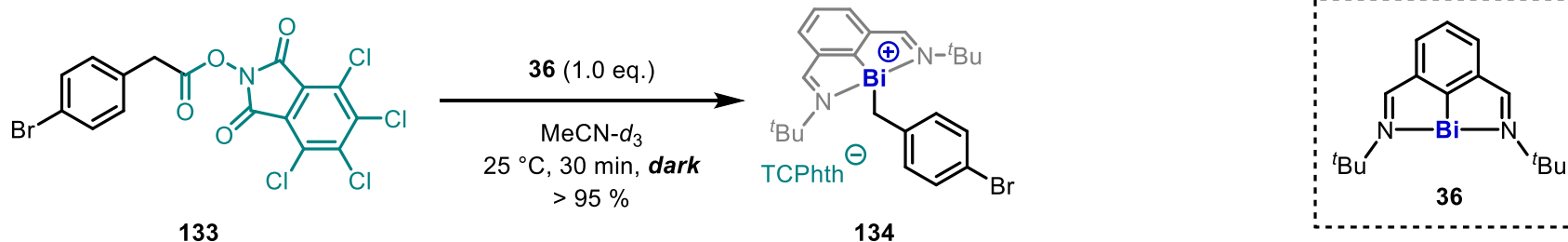


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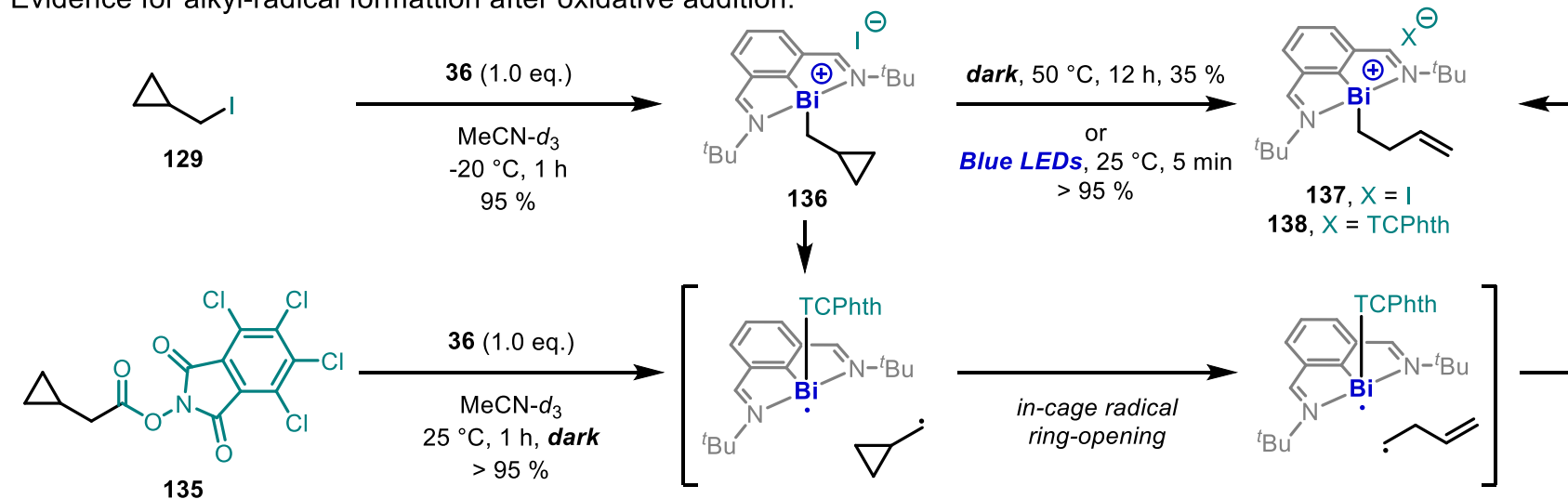


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Orthogonality to TM-mediated oxidative additions:



Evidence for alkyl-radical formation after oxidative addition:

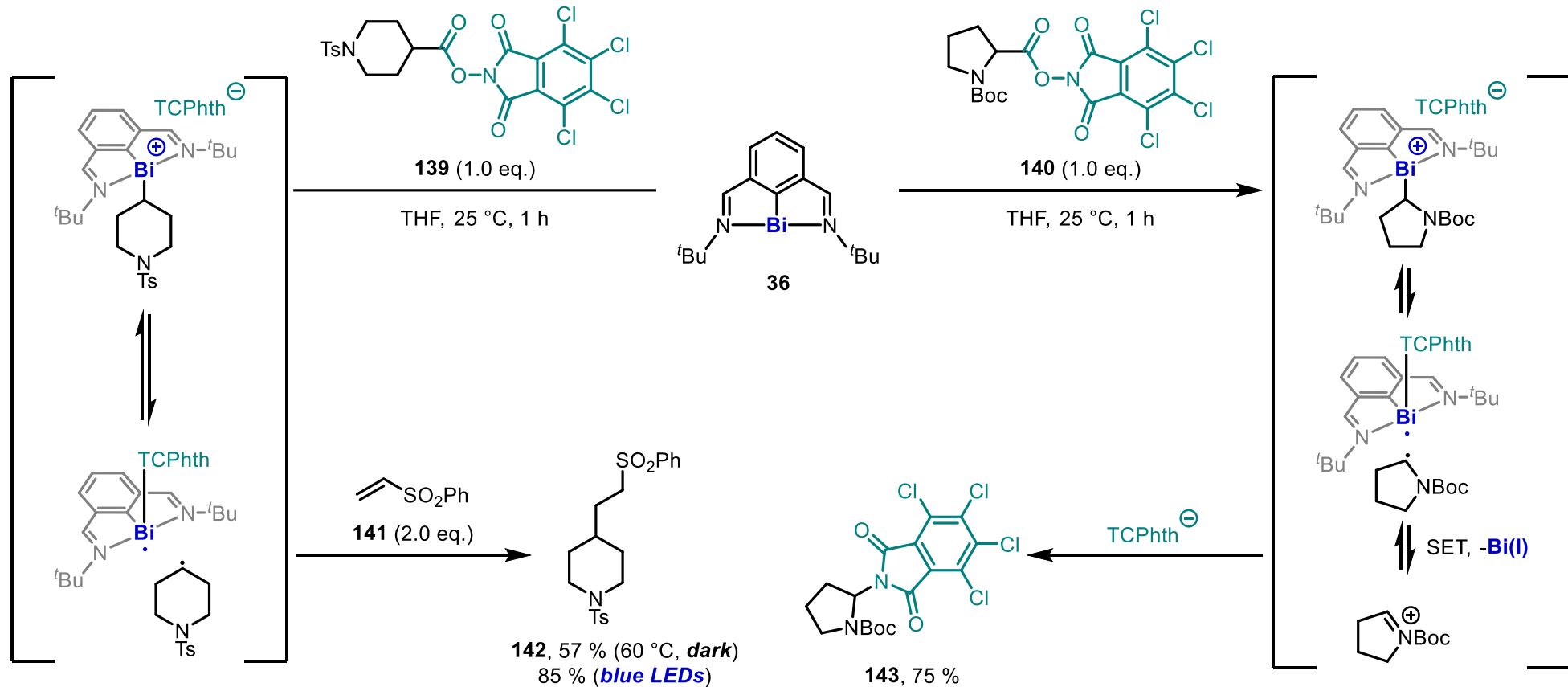


Alkyl radical could be formed both in the **dark** & under **blue LEDs** irradiation;
blue LED could proceed radical formation & tolerate electrophiles other than RAEs

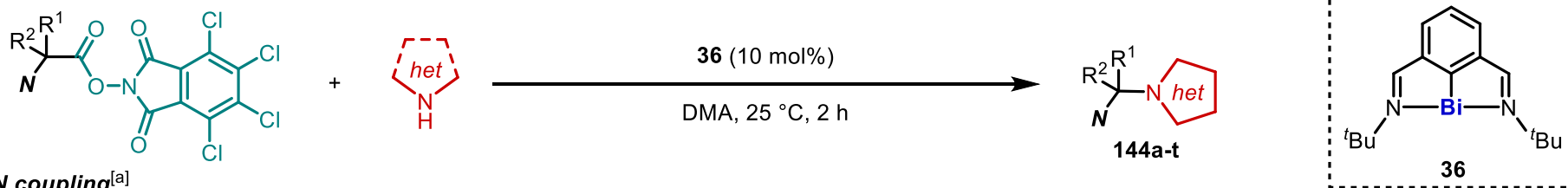
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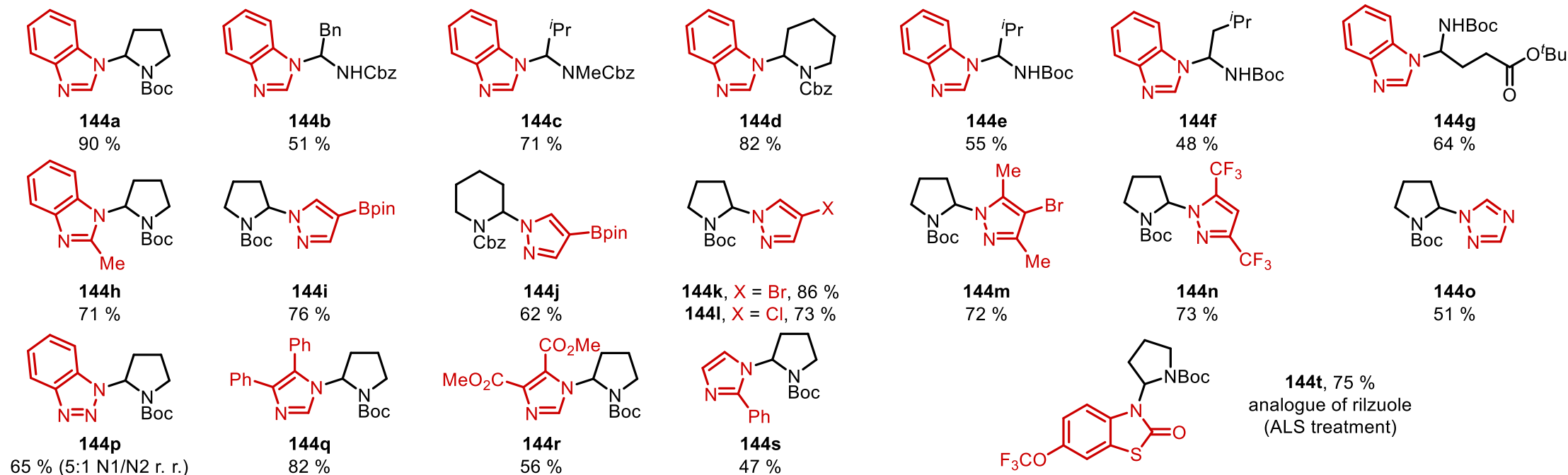
Unbiased alkyl RAE v. s. α -amino alkyl RAE: **different reaction outcomes**



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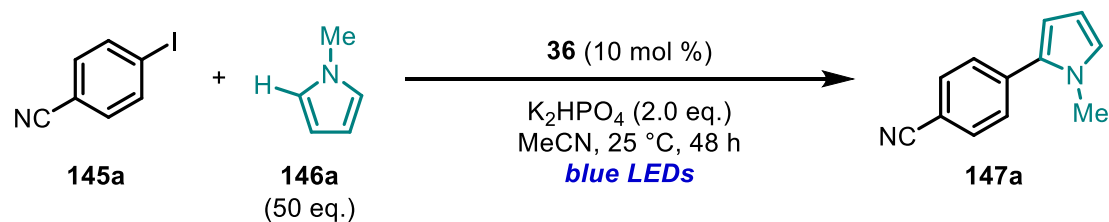


Scope of C(sp³)-N coupling^[a]

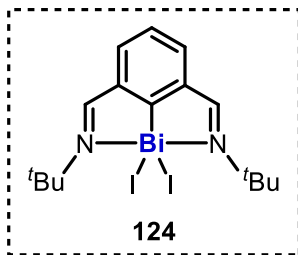
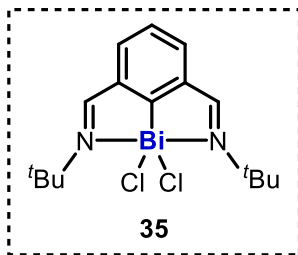
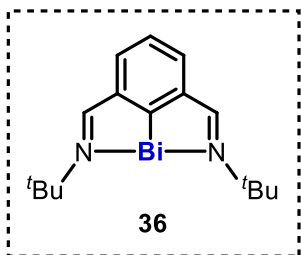


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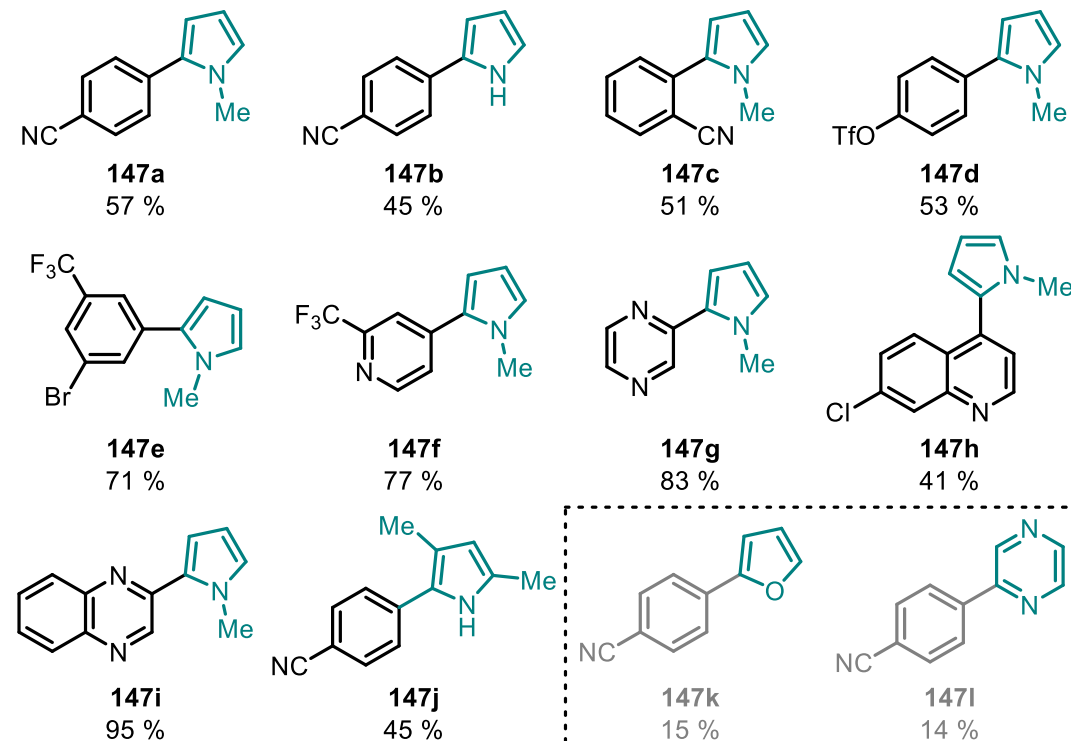
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entry	deviations from above	NMR yield of 147a (%)
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2	w/o catalyst	< 1
3	w/o light, 45 °C	n. d.
4	w/o base	12
5	35 or 124 instead of 36	< 2



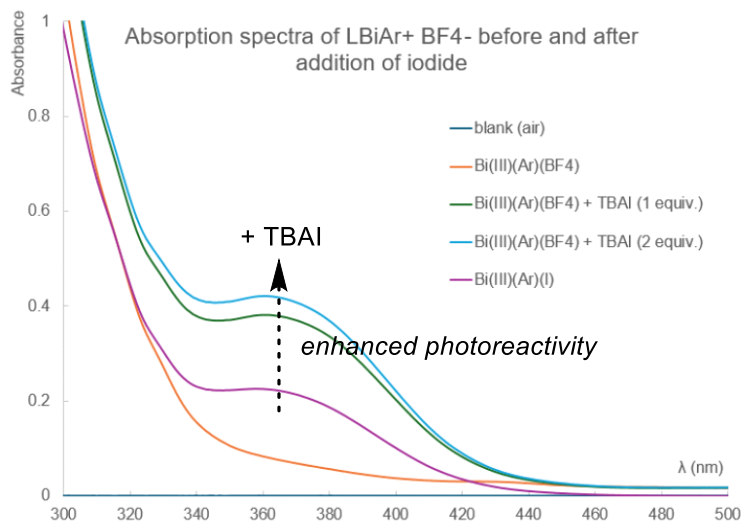
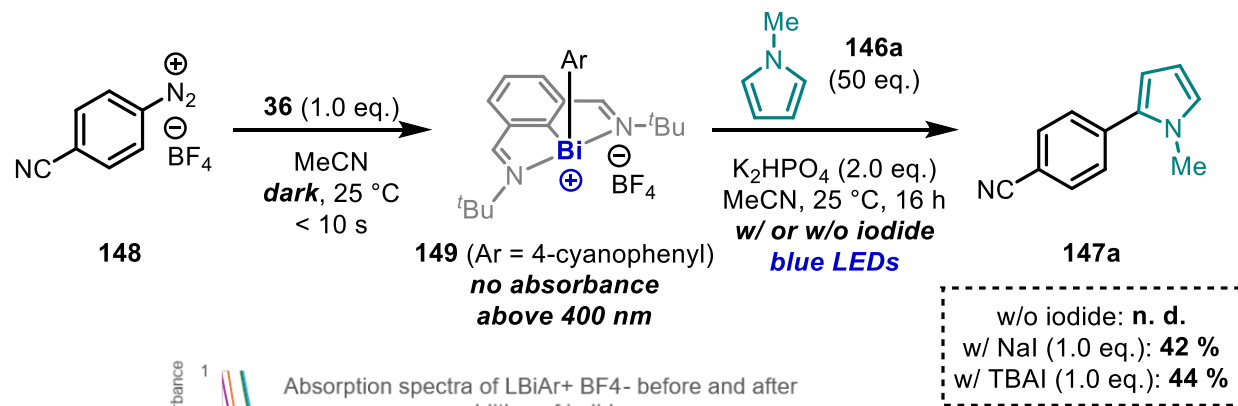
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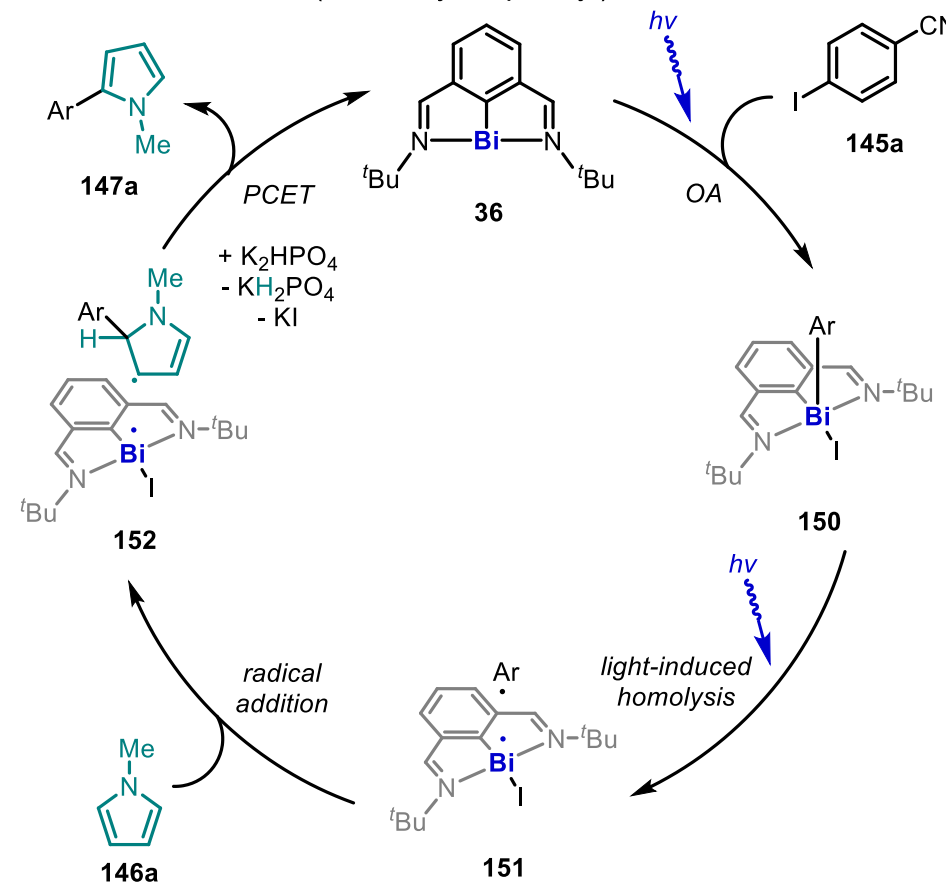
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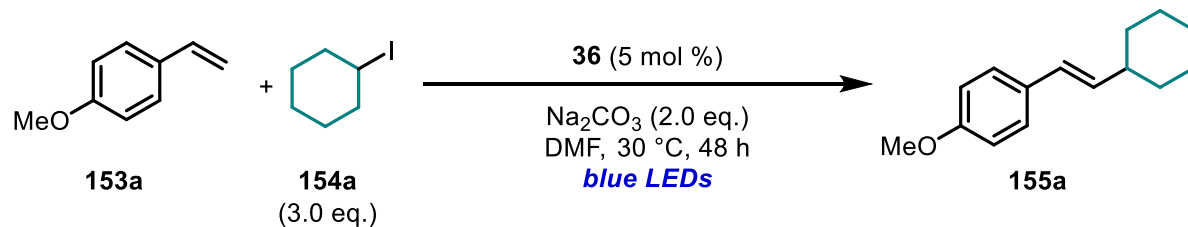
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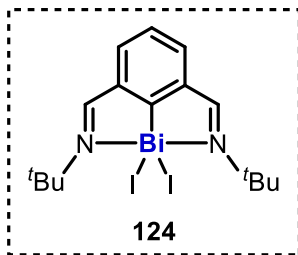
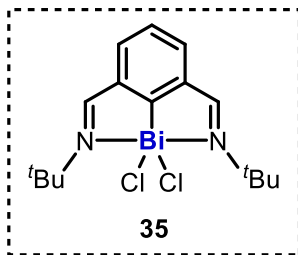
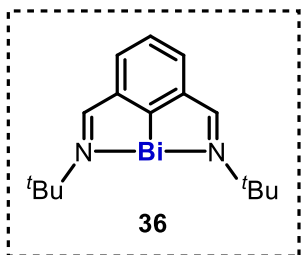
Possible mechanism (Ar = 4-cyanophenyl)



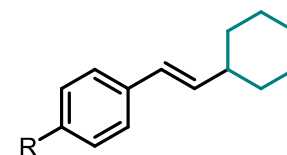
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entry	deviations from above	NMR yield of 155a (%)
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2	w/o catalyst	0
3	w/o light	0
4	w/o base	19
5	35 or 124 instead of 36	81



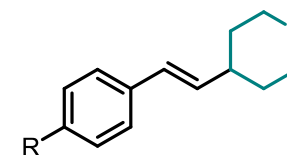
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155b, R = F, 72 %^{[b][c]}

155c, R = Cl, 61 %^{[b][c]}

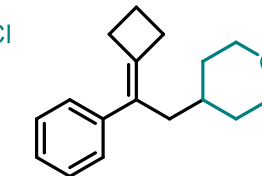
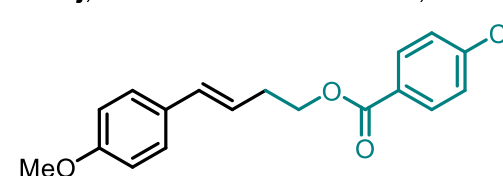
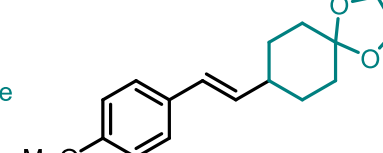
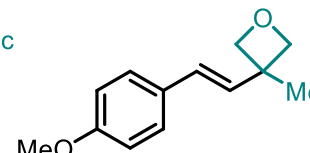
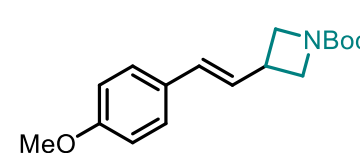
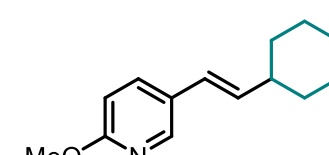
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155f, R = SMe, 57 %

155g, R = OMe, 69 %

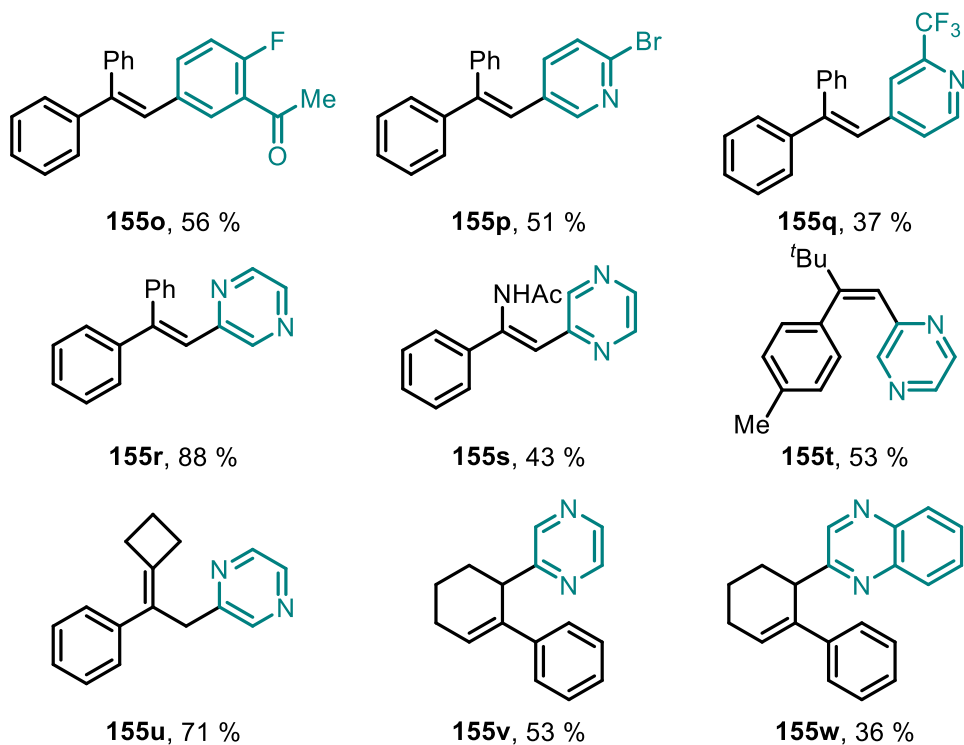
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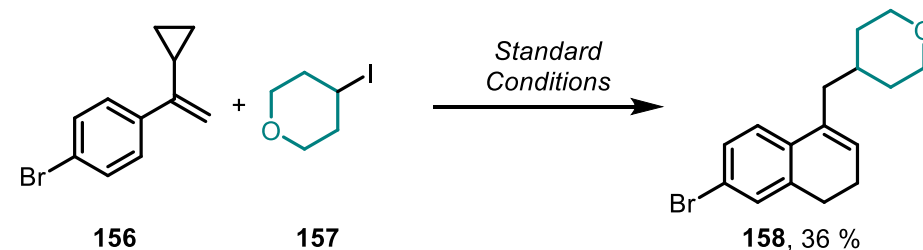
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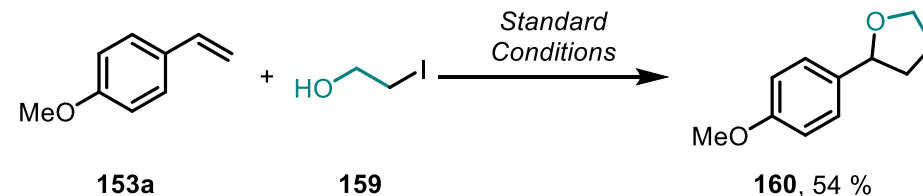


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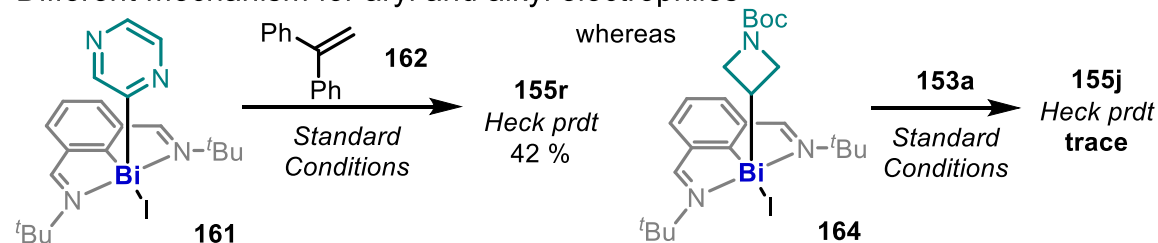
Radical clock experiment



Probe for feasibility of radical-polar crossover (RPC)

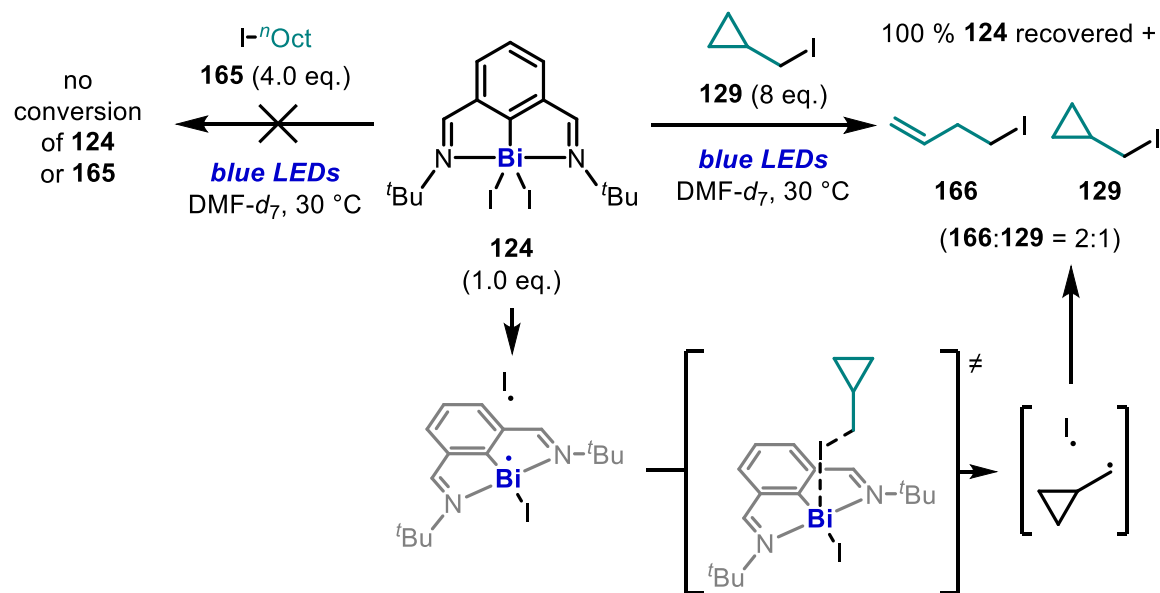


Different mechanism for aryl and alkyl electrophiles



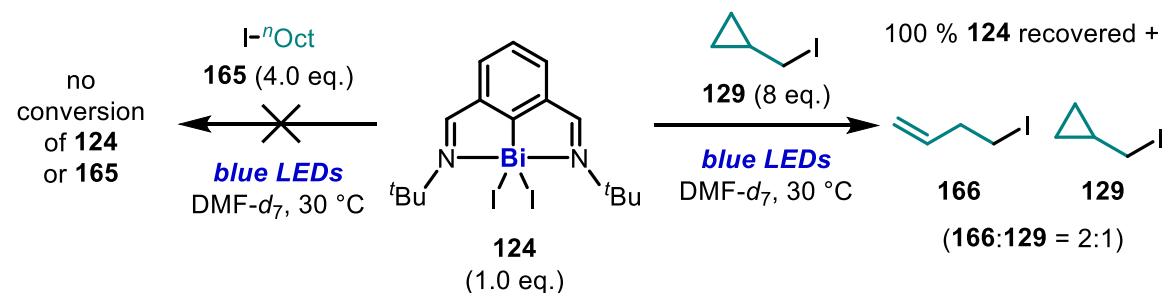
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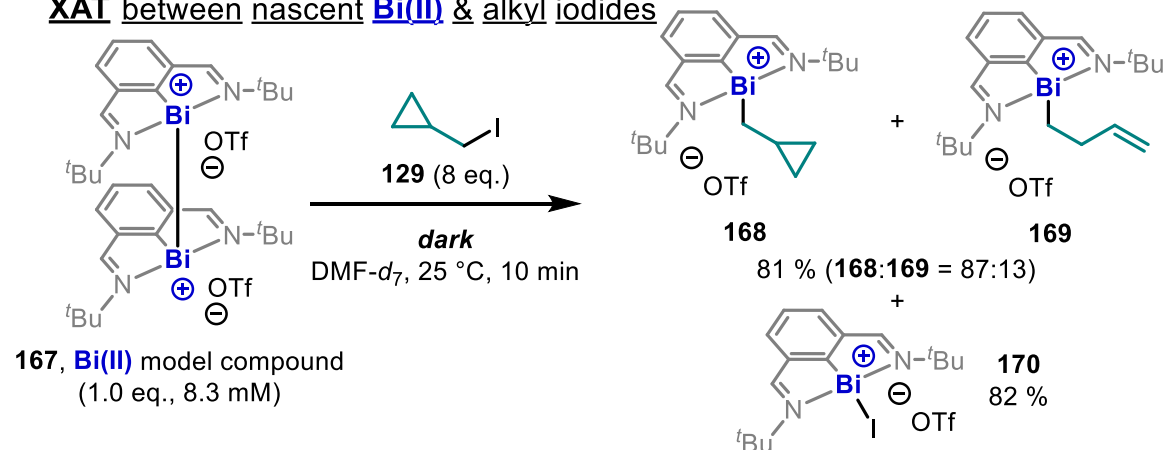


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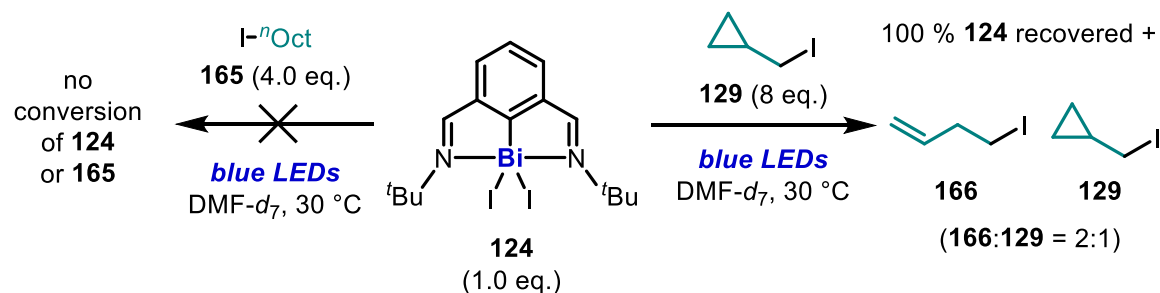


Stoichiometric radical clock experiment to probe for **XAT** between nascent **Bi(III)** & alkyl iodides

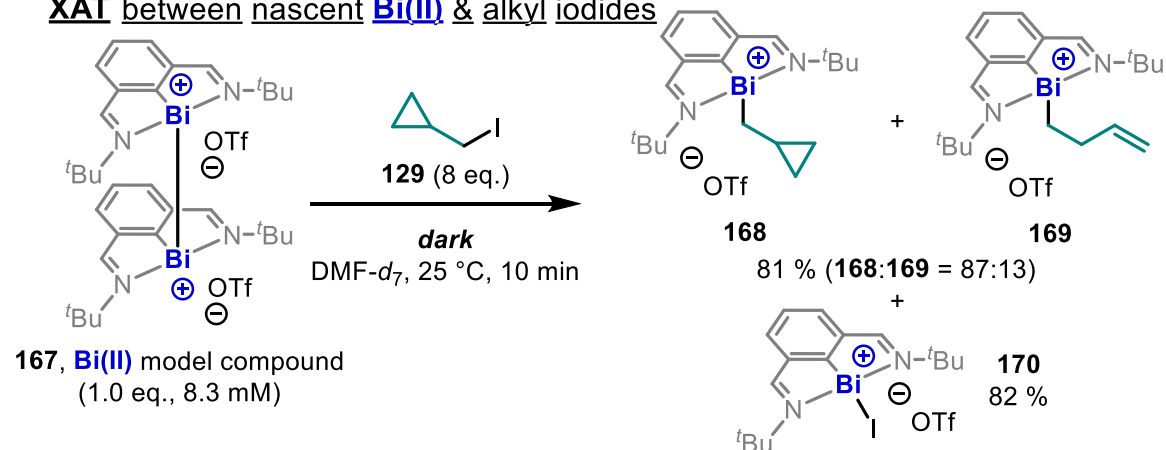


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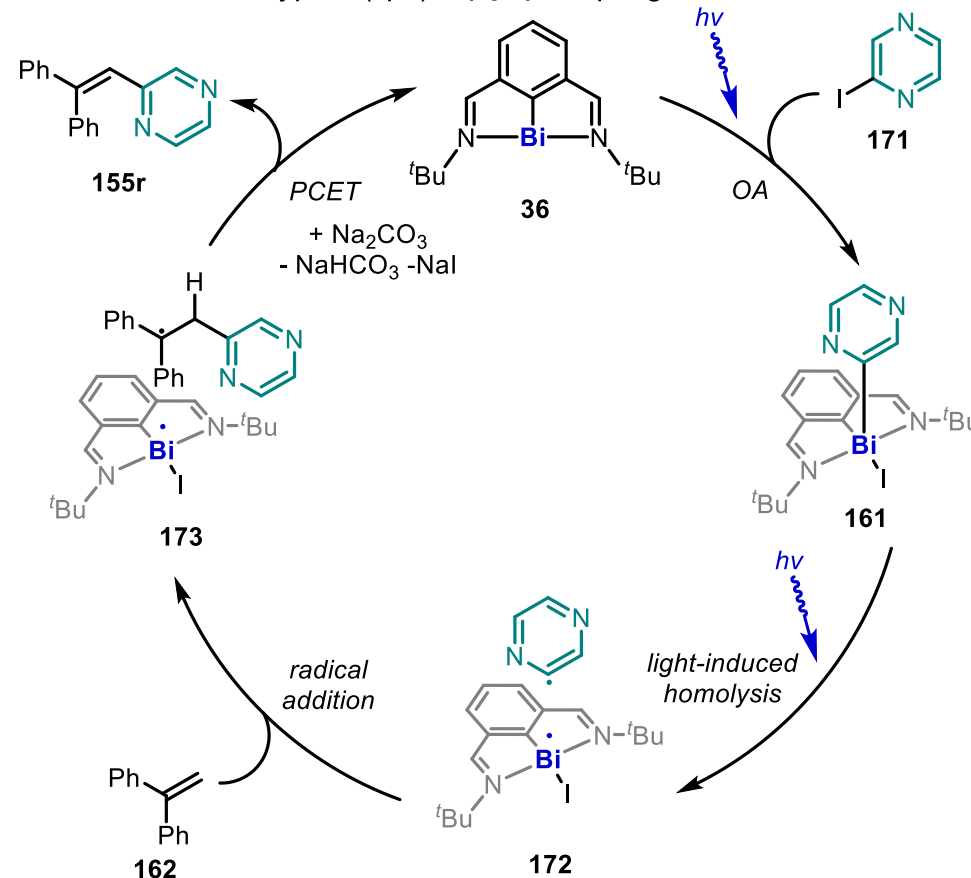
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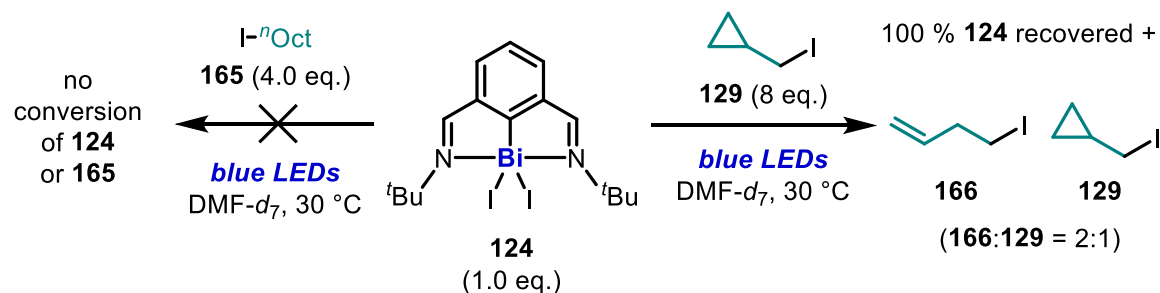


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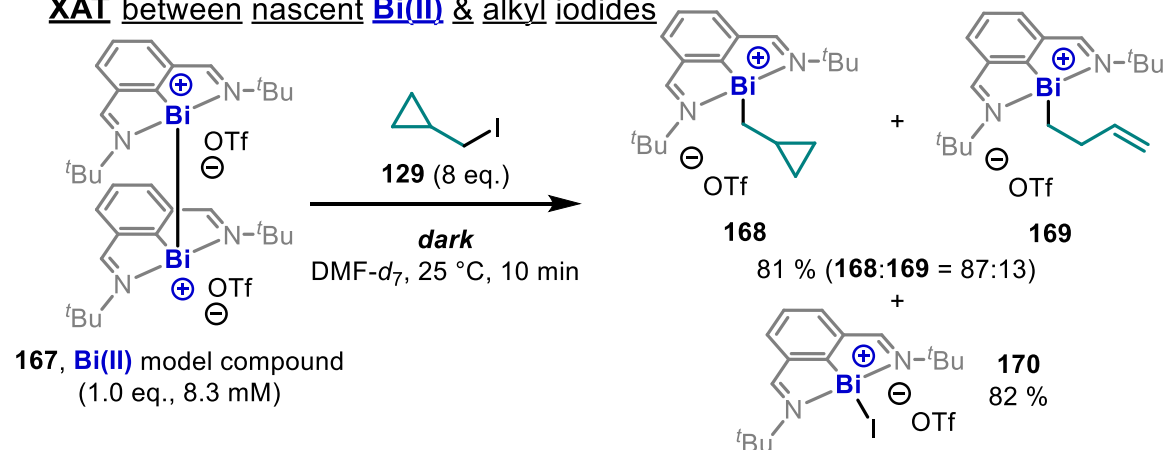


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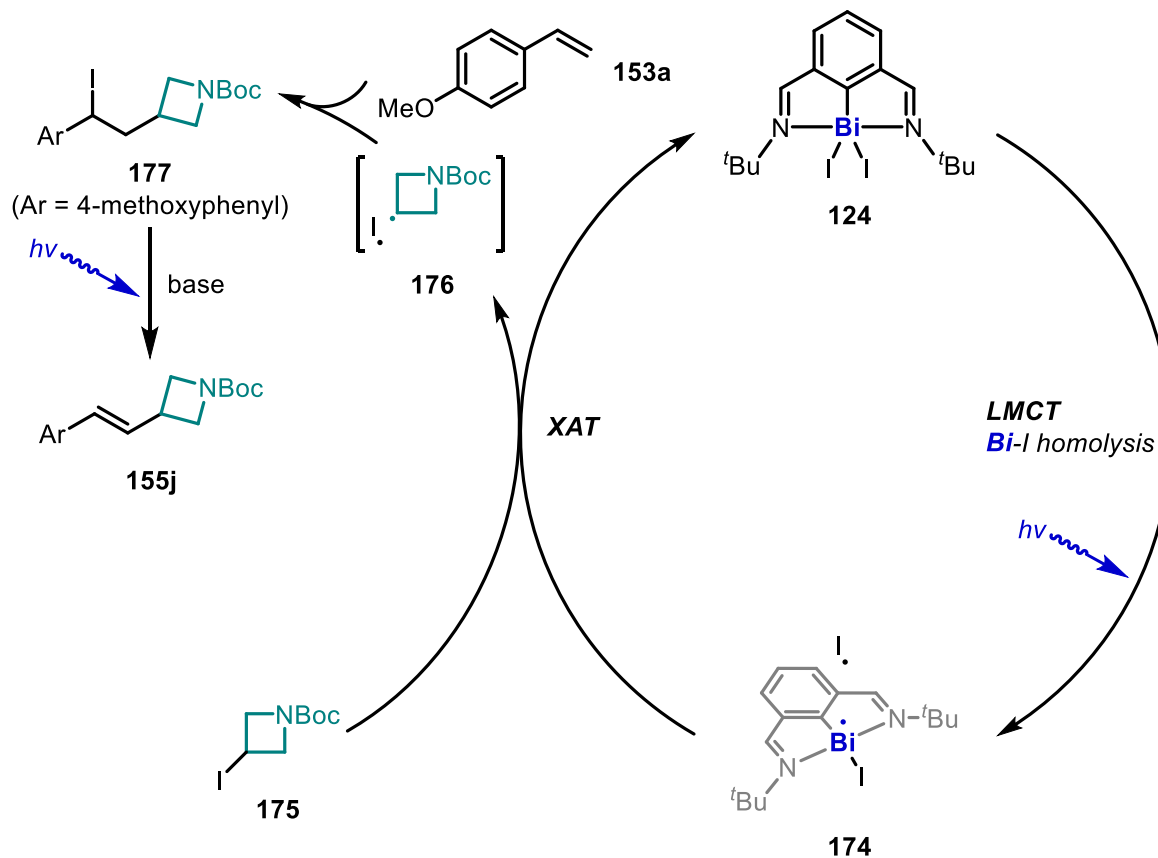
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3.1. 铋催化的自由基型聚合反应

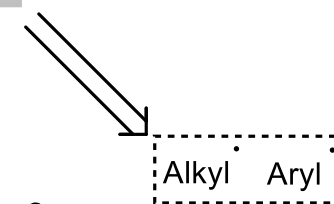
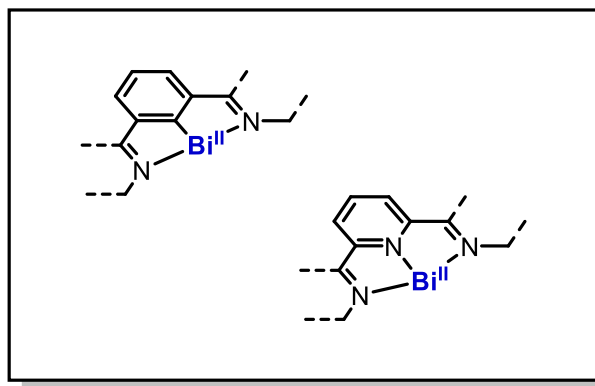
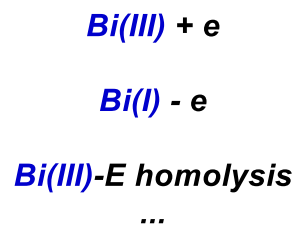
3.2. 铋催化的自由基型环化反应

3.3. 铋催化的自由基型偶联反应

4. 总结与展望

Summary

RAEs, normal electrophiles...



radical polymerizations,
cycloadditions, couplings...

Challenges:

- 1) Characterization or isolation of elusive **Bi(IV)** radicals;

$\text{Ar}_2\text{Bi(III)-LG}$

$\xrightarrow{+e \text{ or } \text{Bi(V)-LG homolysis}}$

 $\text{Ar}_2\text{Bi(IV)·}$
- 2) Exploration of **bismuthinidenes** on small molecule activation.



Thanks for your kind attention!

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