



IRON CATALYSIS IN ORGANIC CHEMISTRY

Dong Lab Literature Talk
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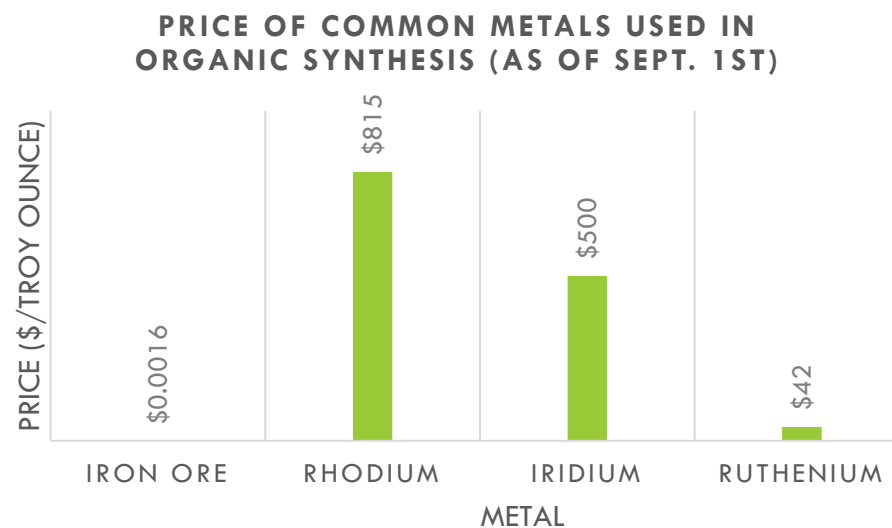
OVERVIEW

- Introduction
- Oxidation Reactions
- Reduction Reactions
- Cycloadditions and Ring Expansion Reactions
- Conclusions

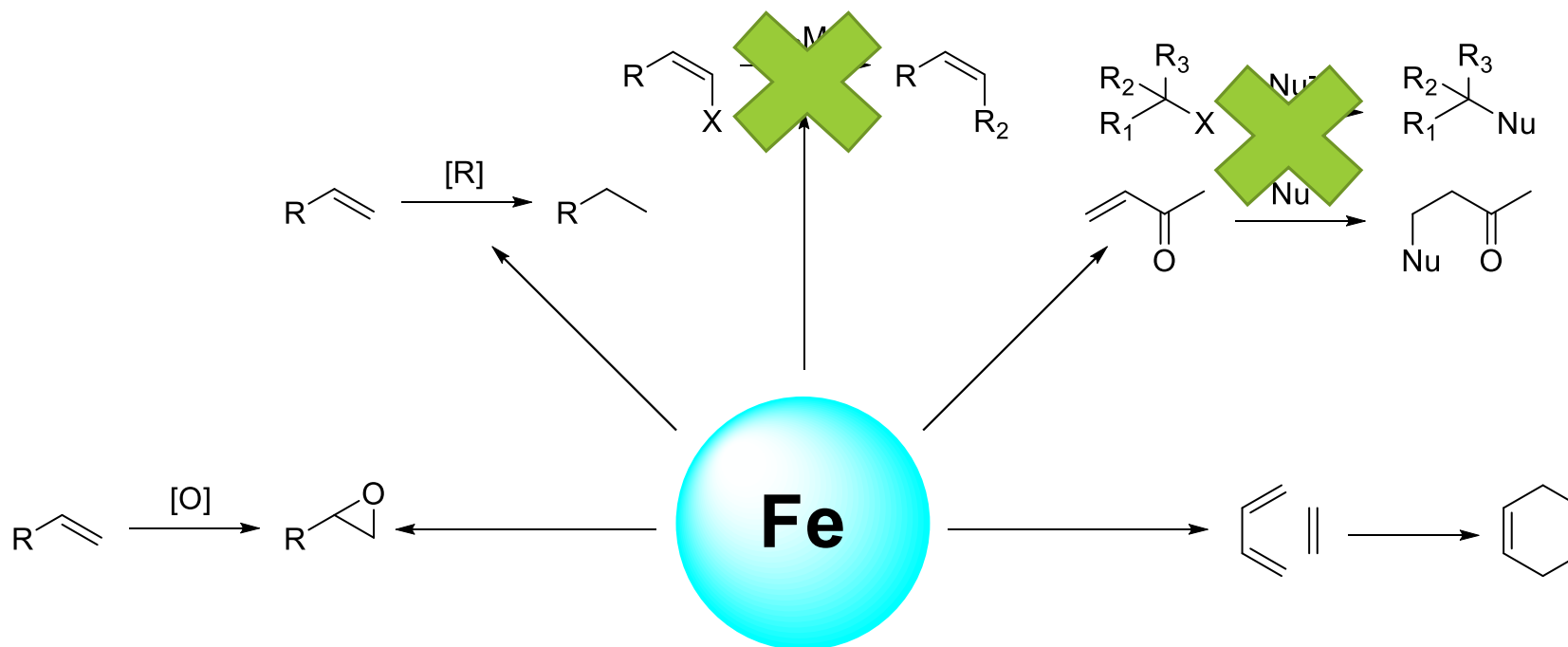
IRON...

24 Cr Chromium 51.996	25 Mn Manganese 54.938	26 Fe Iron 55.933	27 Co Cobalt 58.933	28 Ni Nickel 58.693	29 Cu Copper 63.546
42 Mo Molybdenum 95.94	43 Tc Technetium 98.907	44 Ru Ruthenium 101.07	45 Rh Rhodium 102.906	46 Pd Palladium 106.42	47 Ag Silver 107.868
74 W Tungsten 183.85	75 Re Rhenium 168.207	76 Os Osmium 190.23	77 Ir Iridium 192.22	78 Pt Platinum 195.08	79 Au Gold 196.967

- Iron is the most common element on the Earth and thus is relatively cheap.
- 2nd and 3rd row transition metals have a long and developed history of achieving high yields and enantioselectivities for a huge number of reactions.
- Due to price and scarcity, however, finding new options is a challenge for the chemistry community



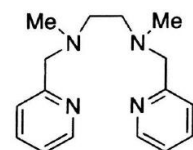
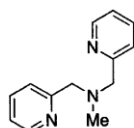
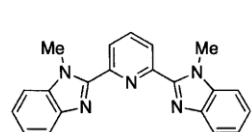
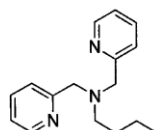
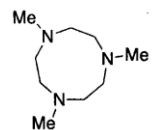
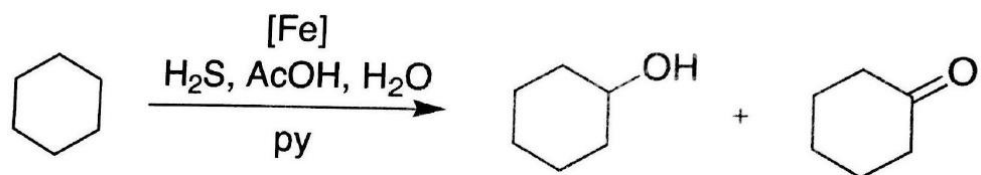
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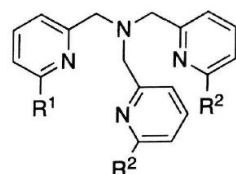
IRON-CATALYZED OXIDATION REACTIONS

1. Oxidations of C-H and C=C Bonds
2. Oxidative Allylic Oxygenation and Amination
3. Recent Advance

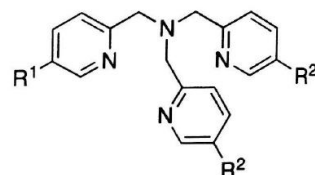
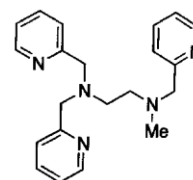
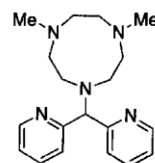
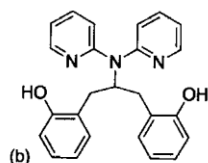
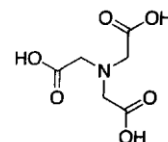
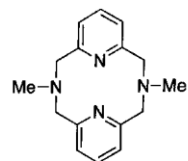
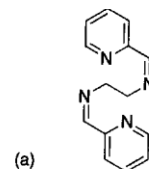
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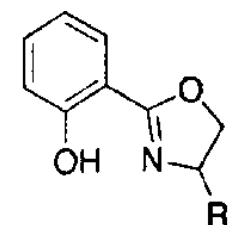
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L2: R¹ = R² = Me
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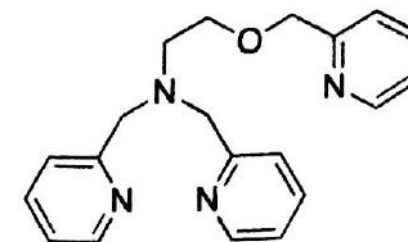


β -pyridyl substituted TPA
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L5: R¹ = R² = Me
L6: R¹ = H, R² = Me



R = COOH, *i*Pr

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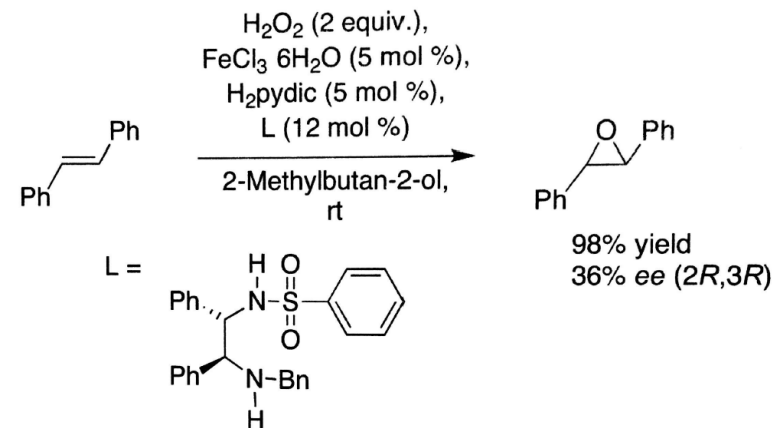
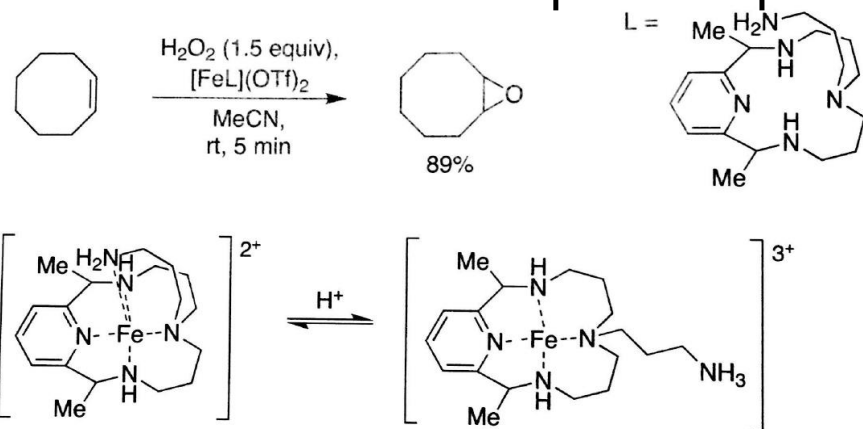


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- Barton published 46 articles on Gif chemistry and another 60 on Gif-related Chemistry

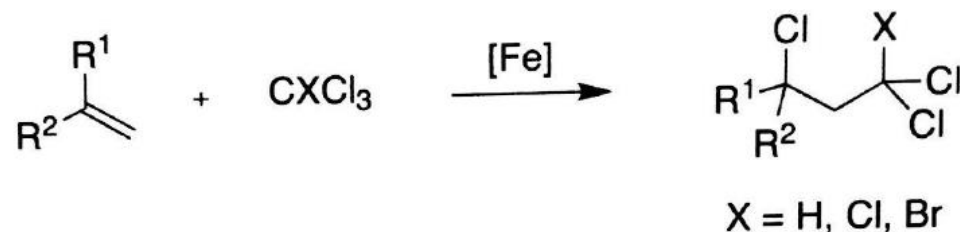
Mayer, A. C.; Bolm, C. Iron-catalyzed Oxidation Reactions. In *Iron Catalysis in Organic Chemistry*; Plietker, B., Ed.; Wiley-VCH: Weinheim, 2008; p. 73.

- Taktak and Beller also reported epoxidation reactions



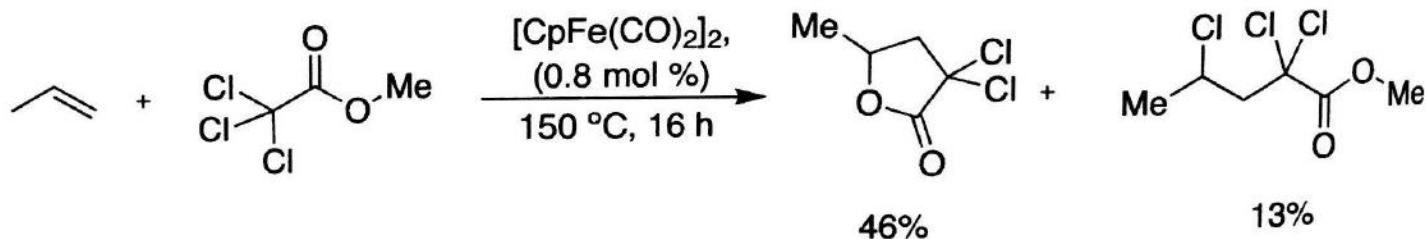
KHARASCH REACTION

- Kharasch first described the addition of halocarbons to alkenes in 1945



Kharasch, E. V. et. al. *Science* **1945**, 102, 128.

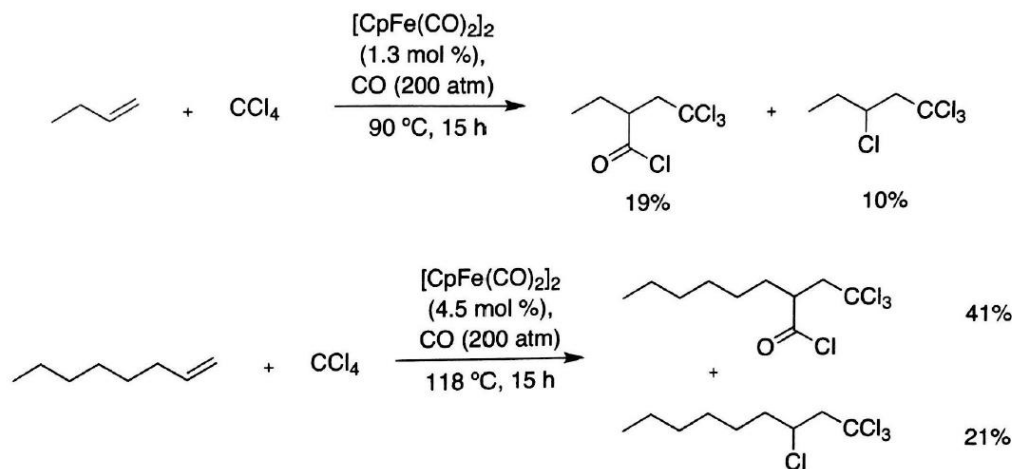
- Mori and Tsuji reported the formation of lactones/esters when methyl trichloroacetate was used



Mori, Y.; Tsuji, J. *Tetrahedron* **1972**, 28, 29.

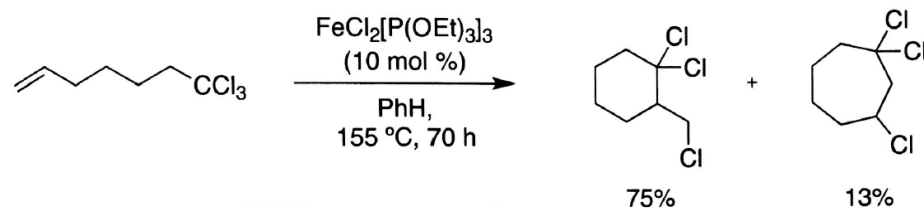
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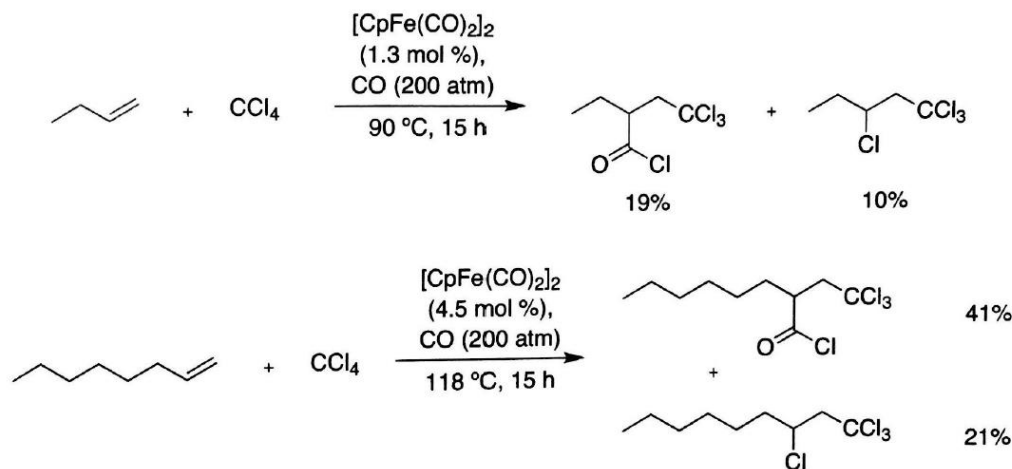
- Weinreb reported an intramolecular variant



Weinreb, S. M. et. al. *J. Org. Chem.* **1990**, 55, 1281.

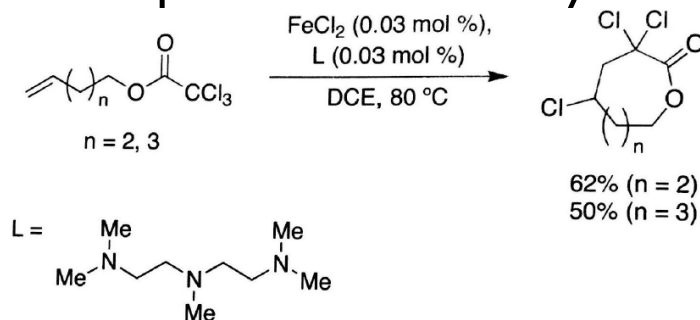
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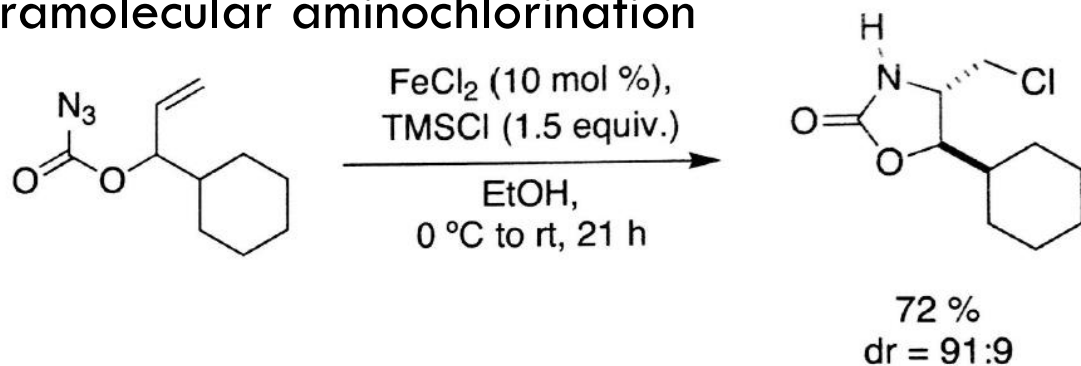
- Intramolecular lactonization was reported in 1998 by de Campo



de Campo, F. et. al. *Chem. Commun.* **1998**, 2117.

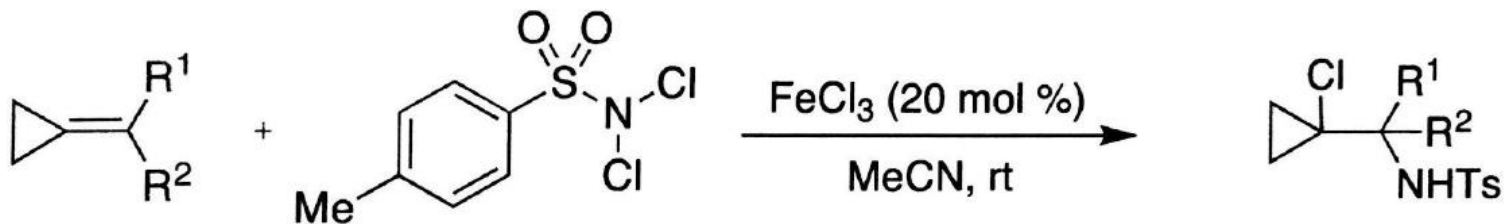
AMINOCHLORINATION

- Bach reported intramolecular aminochlorination



Bach, T. *et. al. Synthesis* **2006**, 551.

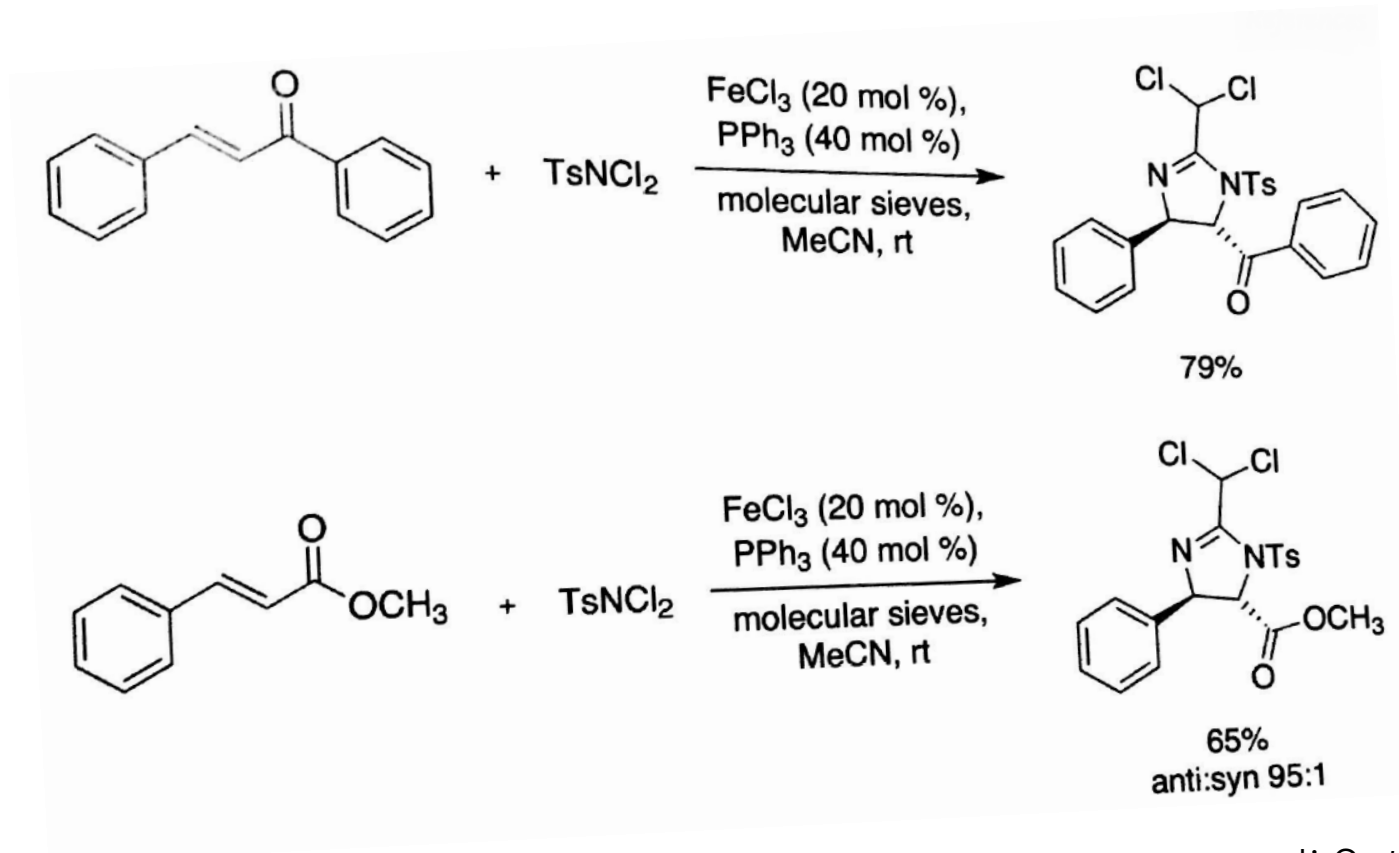
- Li's aminochlorination of cyclopropenes



Li, G. *et. al. Org. Lett.* **2006**, 8, 625.

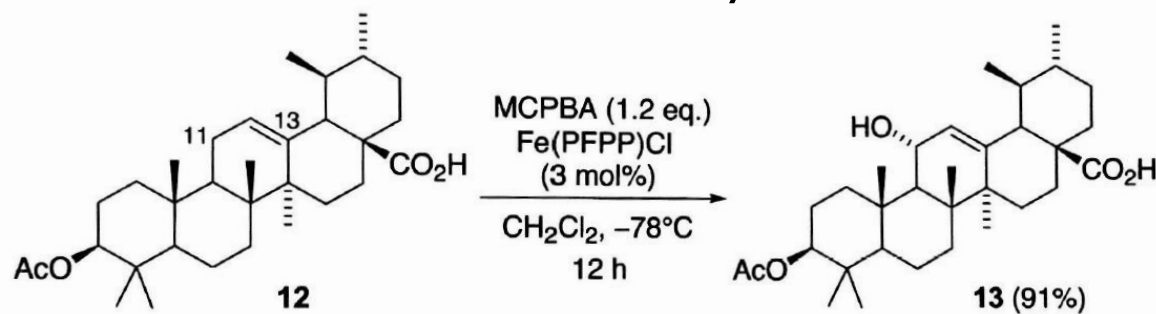
DIAMINATION

- Li also reported deamination of alkenes



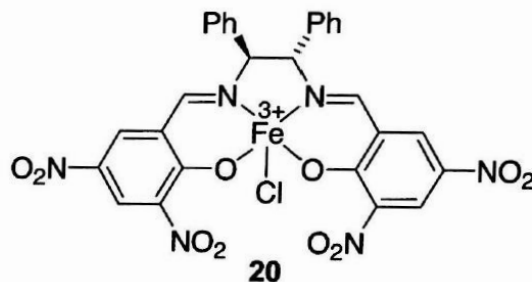
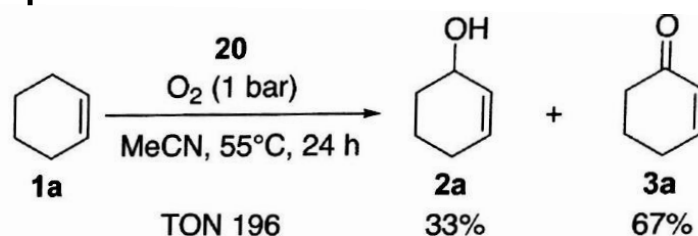
ALLYLIC OXIDATION

- Konoike demonstrated chemo- and site selectivity



Konoike, T. et. al. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1999**, 40, 6971.

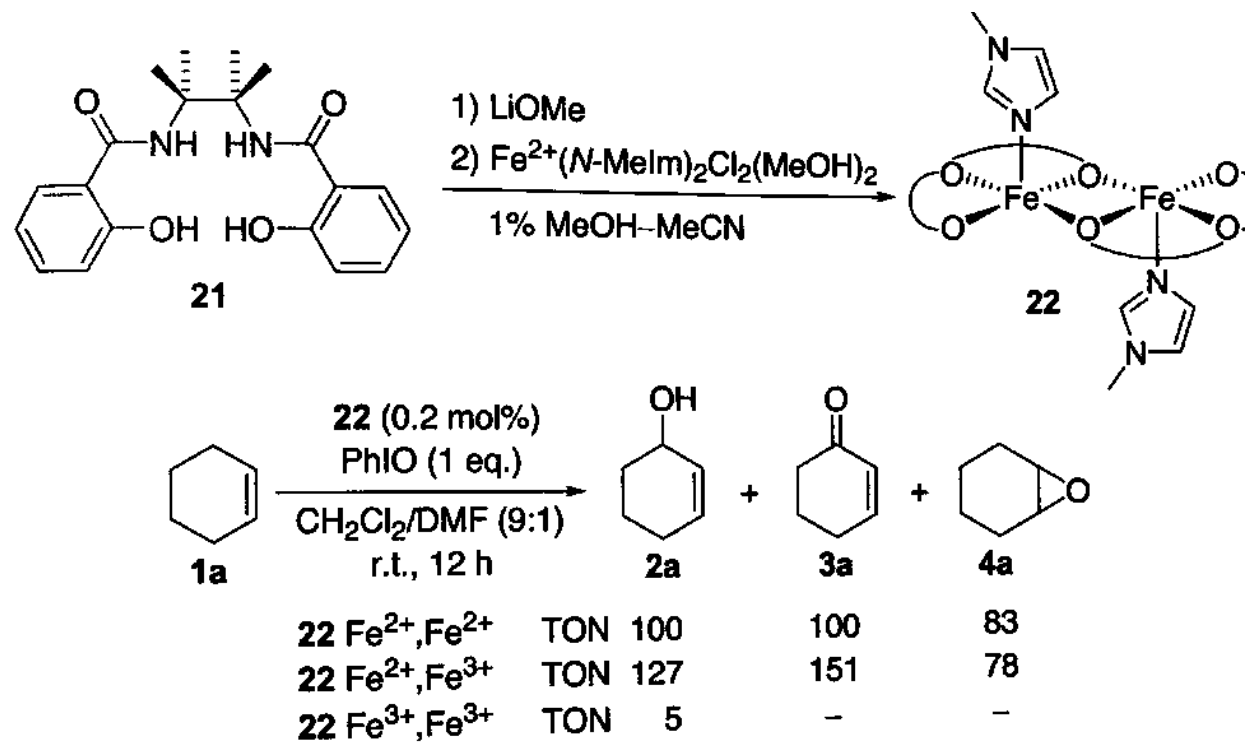
- Böttcher used Fe-salen complexes to oxidize alkenes



Böttcher, A. et. al. *J. Mol. Catal. A* **1996**, 113, 191.

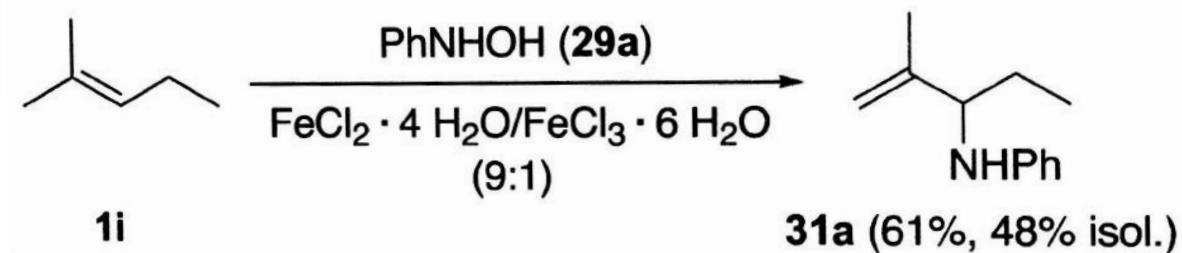
ALLYLIC OXIDATION

- Mukerjee developed a dinuclear Fe complex that could give high turnover numbers



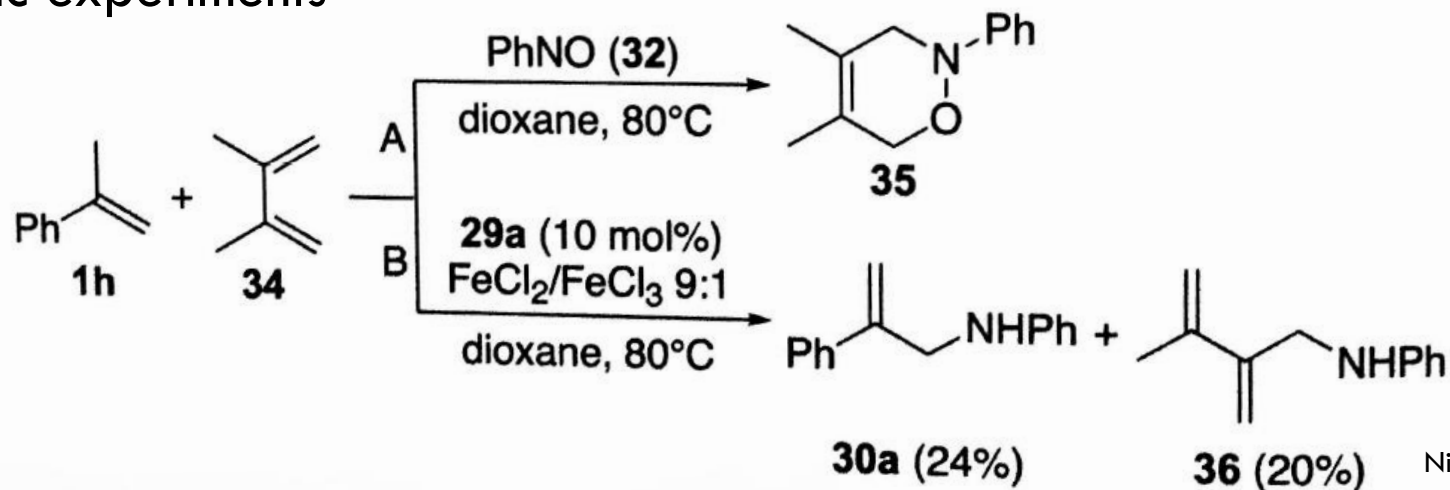
ALLYLIC AMINATION

- Nicholas reported an early catalytic example of allylic amination



Nicholas, K. M. et. al. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1994**, 35, 8739.

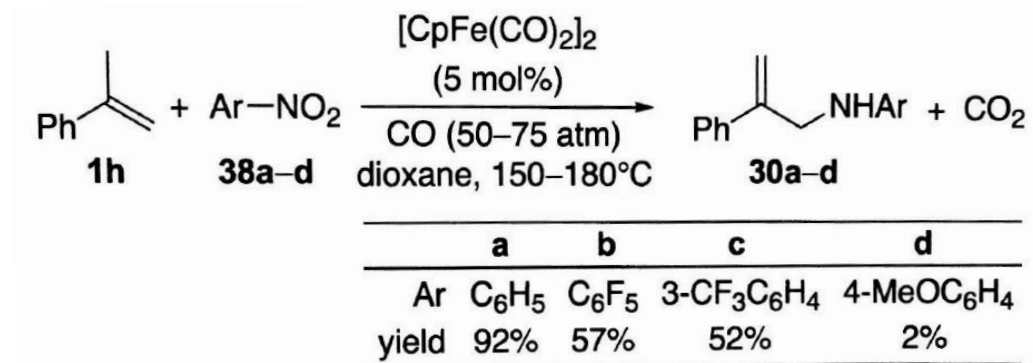
- Mechanistic experiments



Nicholas, K. M. et. al. *JACS* **1997**, 119, 3302.

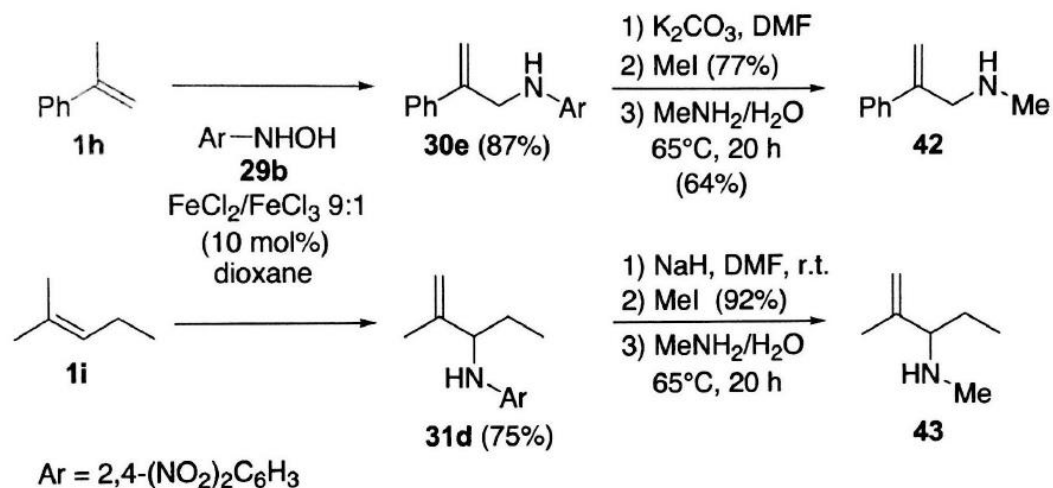
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- Nicholas also reported allylic amination with nitroaromatics



Nicholas, K. M. et. al. *Chem. Commun.* **1998**, 2705.

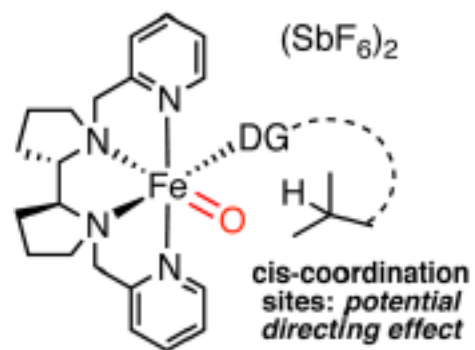
- Additionally, hydroxylamines could be used



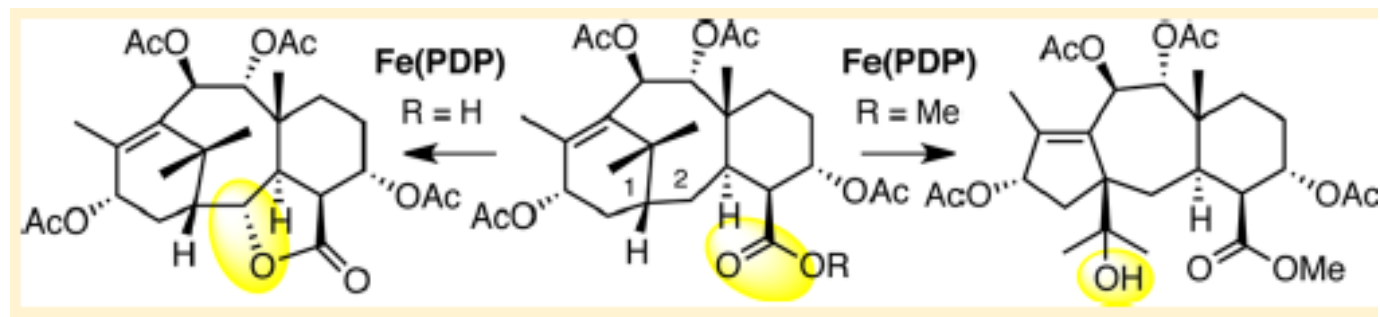
Nicholas, K. M. et. al. *Synth. Commun.* **2001**, 31, 3087.

RECENT ADVANCE

- White has developed directed metal (oxo) aliphatic C-H hydroxylations



Proposed oxo intermediate for $\text{Fe}(\text{S,S-PDP})$ **1**

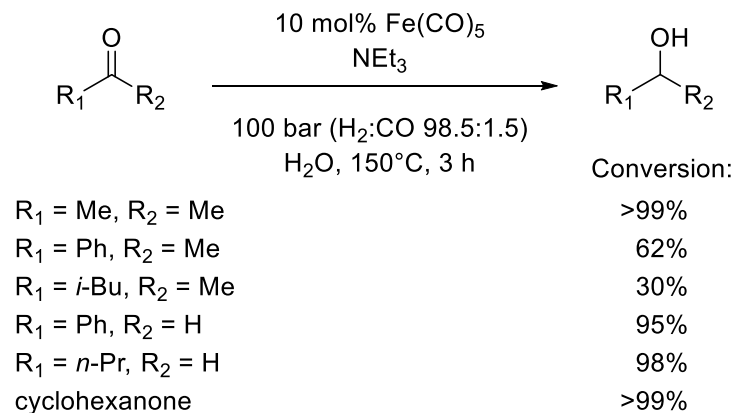


HOMOGENEOUS IRON-CATALYZED REDUCTION

1. Hydrogenation of $C=O$
2. Hydrogenation of $C=C$
3. Hydrogenation of $C=N$
4. Recent Advance

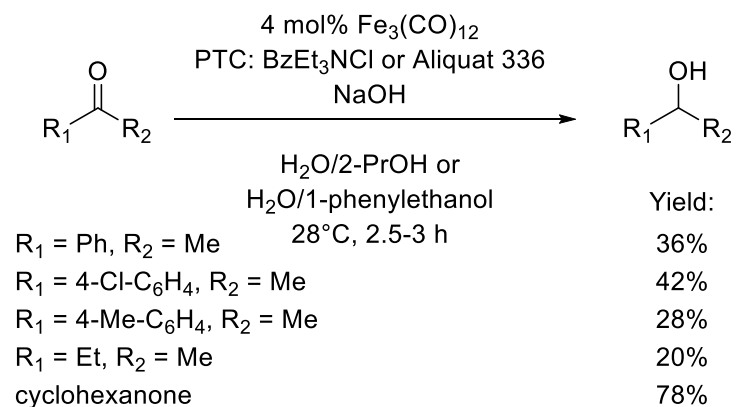
C=O REDUCTION

- First catalytic example by Markó in 1983



Markó, L. et. al. *Transition Met. Chem.* **1983**, 8, 207.

- Later, Vancheesan used 2-propanol or 1-phenylethanol

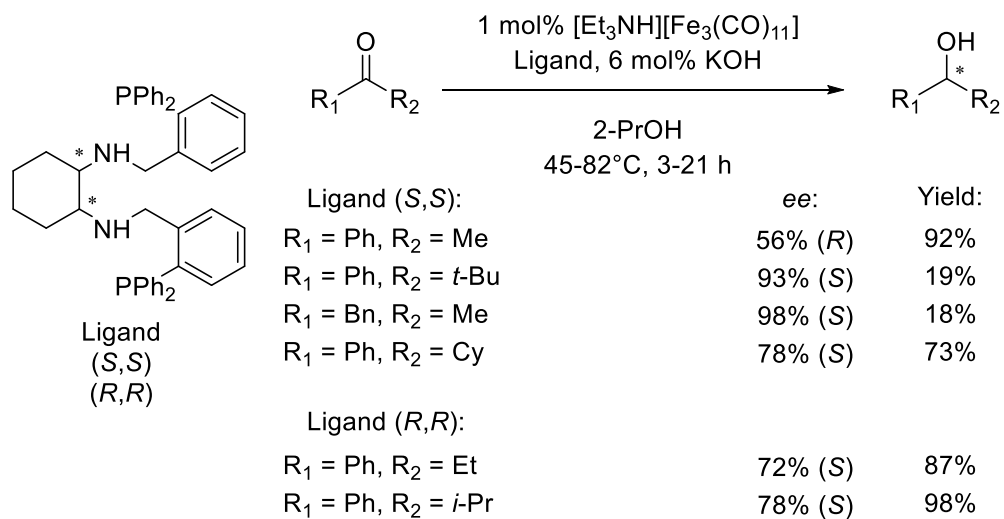


Vancheesan, S. et. al. *J. Mol. Catal.* **1985**, 32, 11.

Vancheesan, S. et. al. *J. Mol. Catal.* **1989**, 52, 301.

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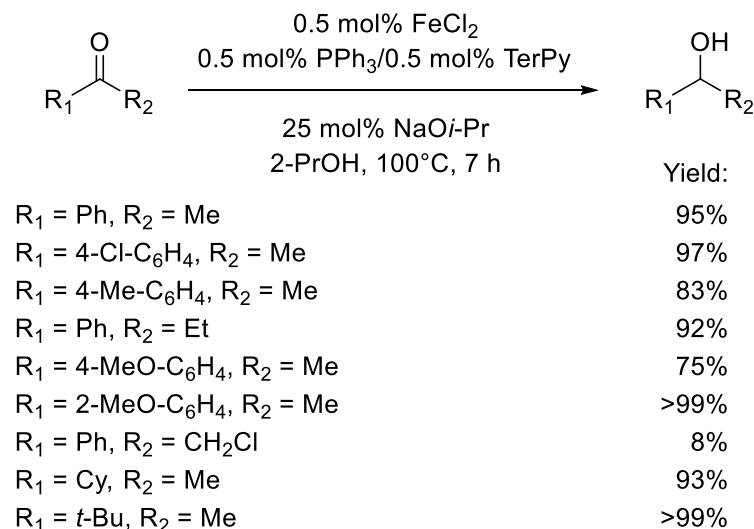
- Chen reported asymmetric transfer hydrogenation



Chen, J.-S. *et. al. Huaxue Xuebao* **2004**, 62, 1745.

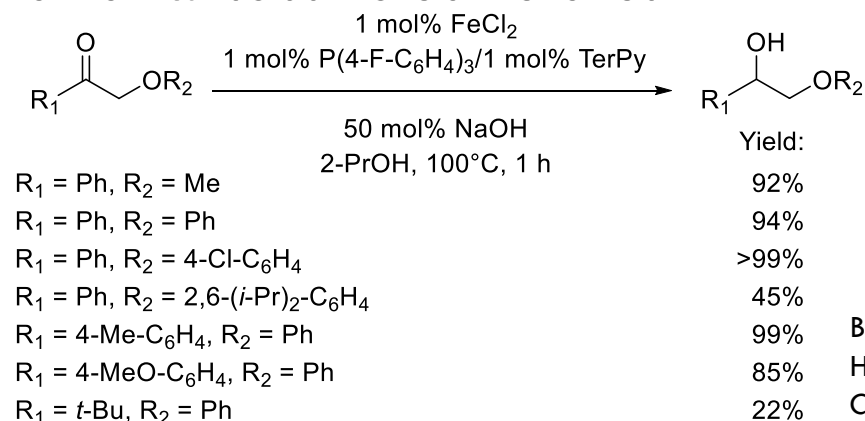
C=O REDUCTION

- In 2006, Beller generated an iron catalyst system *in situ*



Beller, M. *et. al.* *Chem. Asian J.* **2006**, *1*, 598.

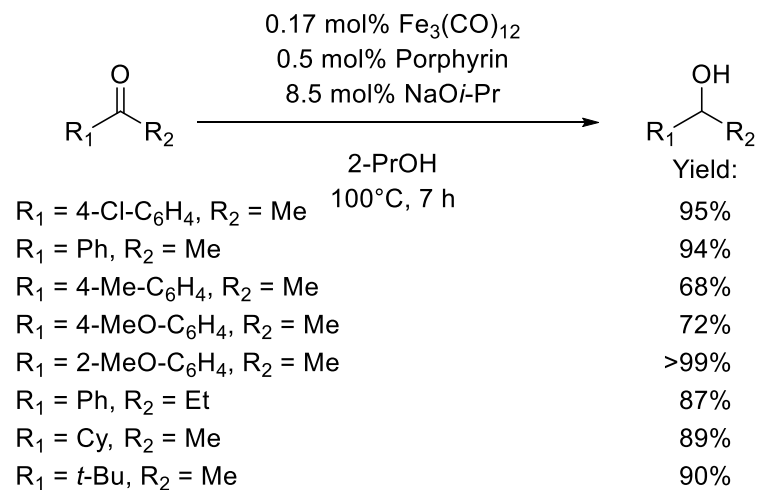
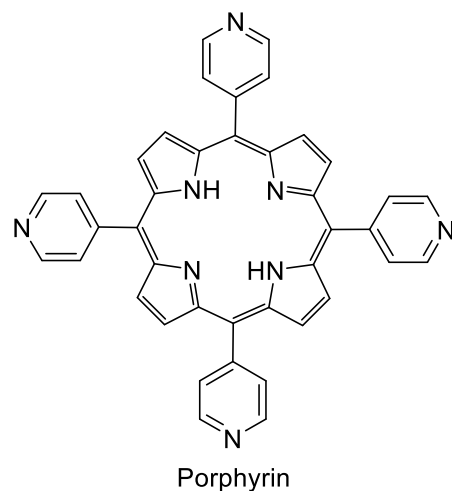
- Beller also showed reduction of α -substituted ketones



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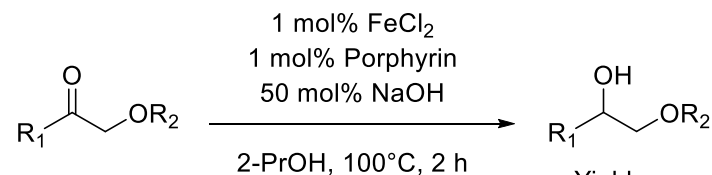
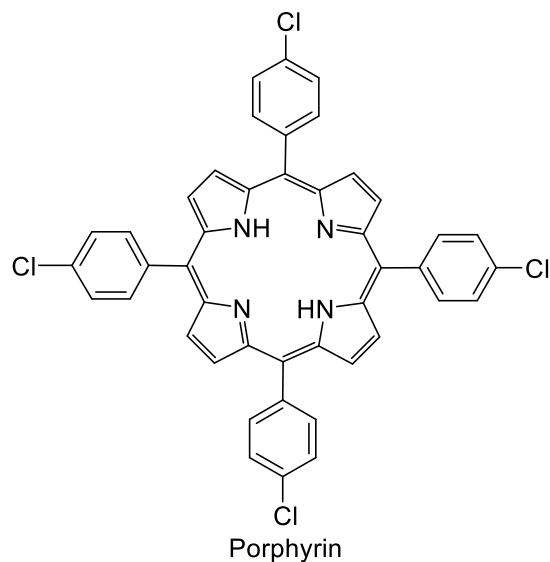
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R₁ = Ph, R₂ = 2,6-(*i*-Pr)₂-C₆H₄

R₁ = 4-Me-C₆H₄, R₂ = Ph

R₁ = 4-MeO-C₆H₄, R₂ = Ph

R₁ = *t*-Bu, R₂ = Ph

Yield:

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92%

>99%

74%

>99%

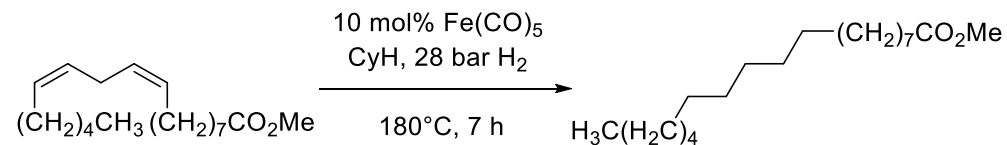
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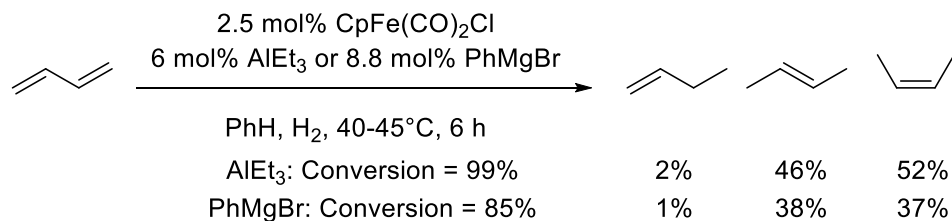
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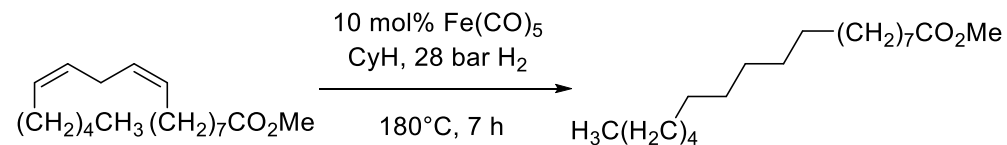
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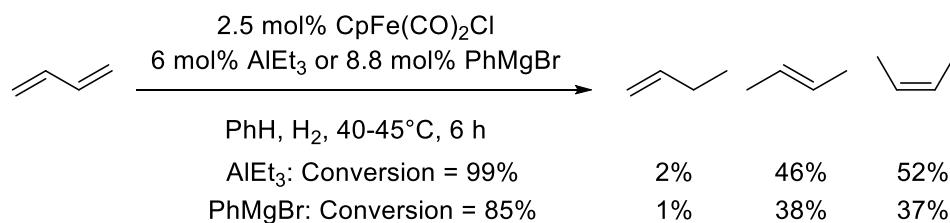
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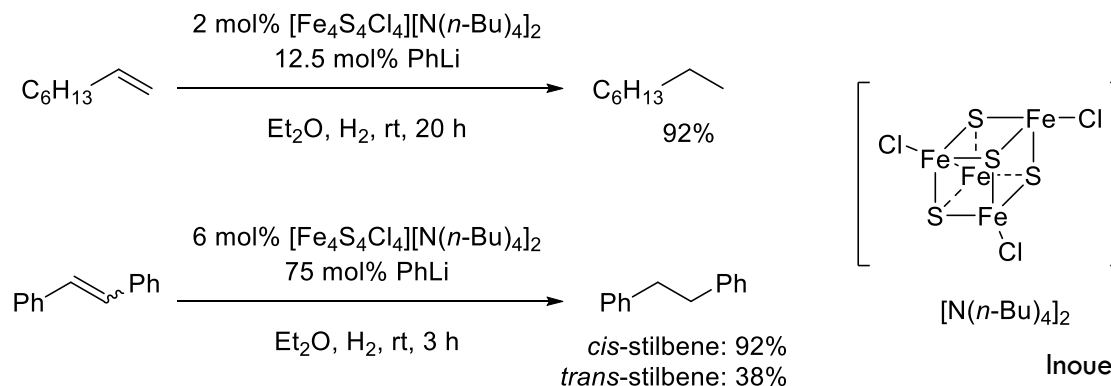
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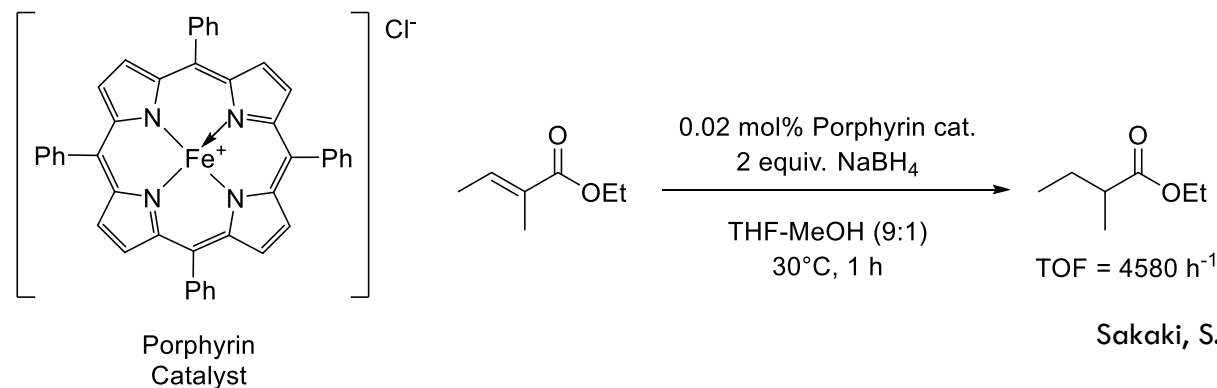
- Inoue showed biomimetic iron-sulfur clusters could also reduce C=C bonds



Inoue, H. et. al. *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1980**, 817.

Inoue, H. et. al. *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1983**, 983.

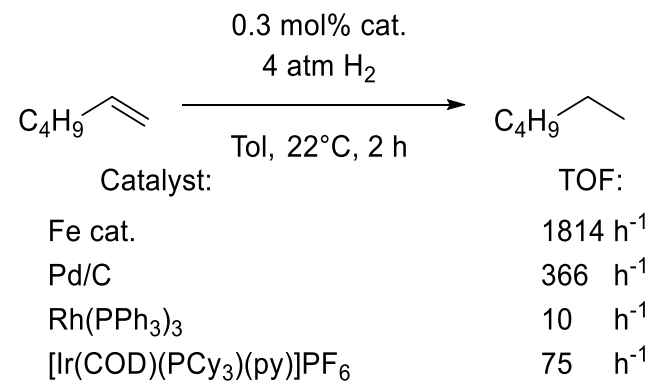
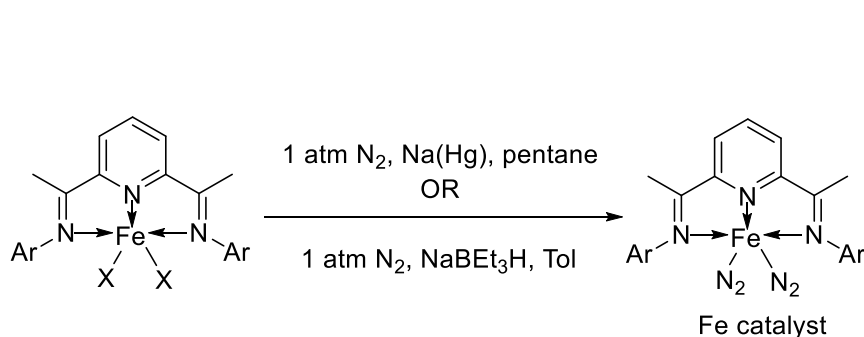
- Sakaki utilized porphyrins to reduce α,β -unsaturated esters



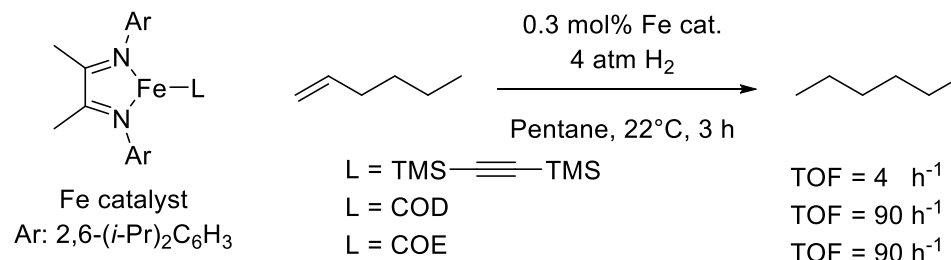
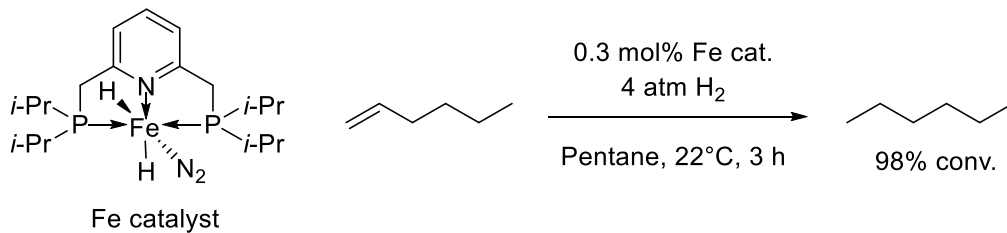
Sakaki, S. et. al. *J. Mol. Catal.* **1992**, 75, L33.

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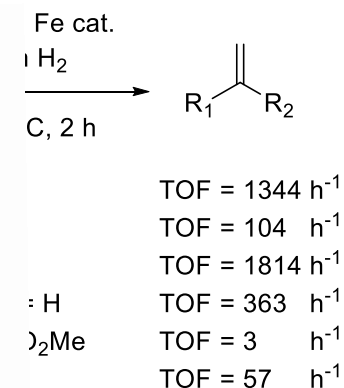
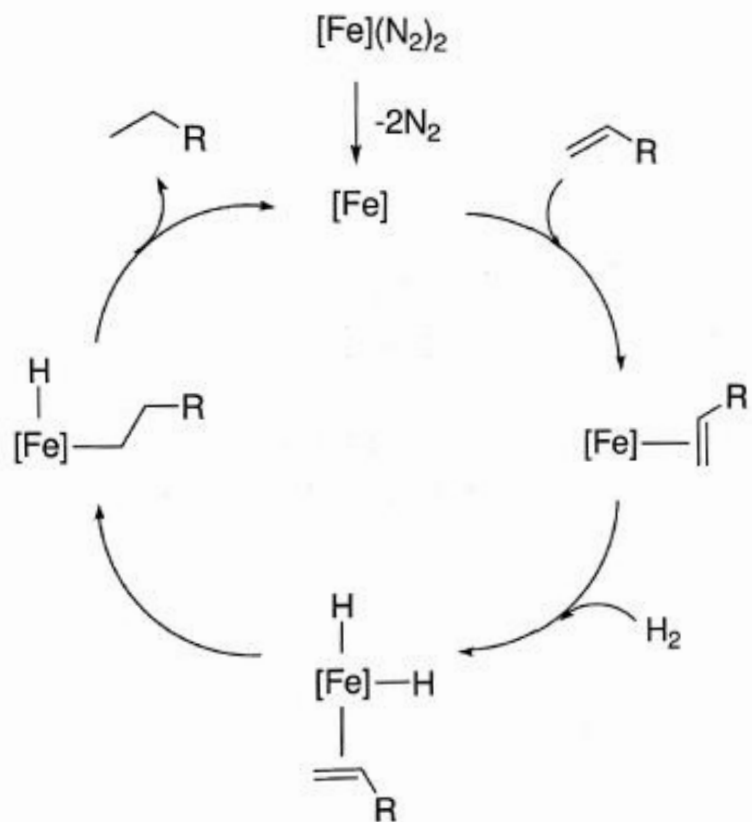
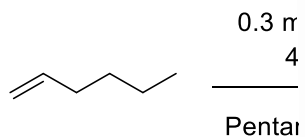
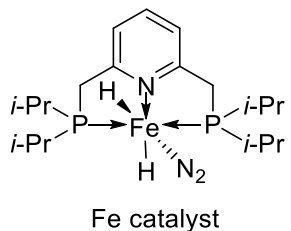
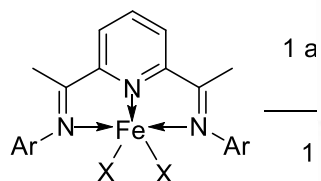


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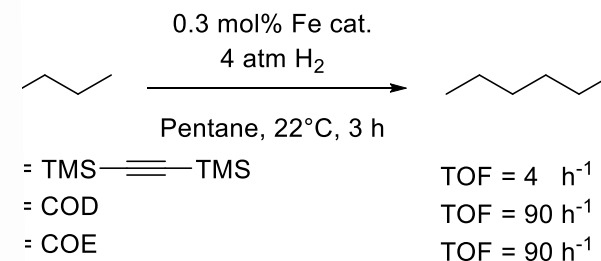
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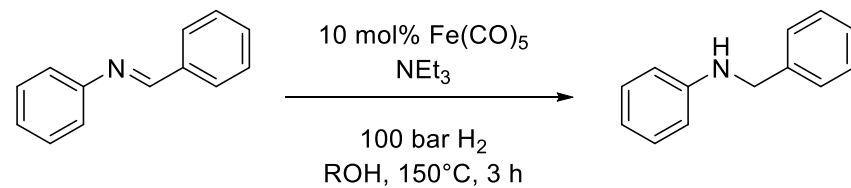


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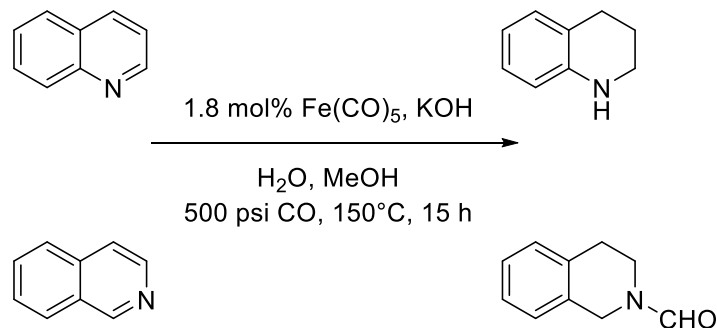
C=N REDUCTION

- Radhi and Markó showed hydrogenation of *N*-benzylideneaniline



- Kaesza reported reduction of nitrogen heterocycles as well

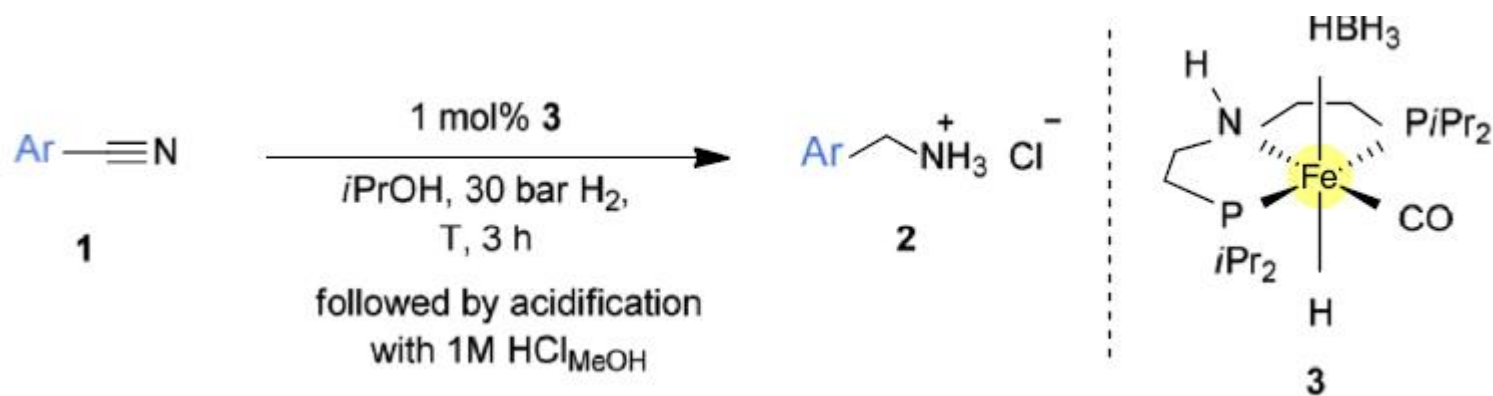
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Kaesza, H. D. *J. Org. Chem.* **1984**, 49, 1266.

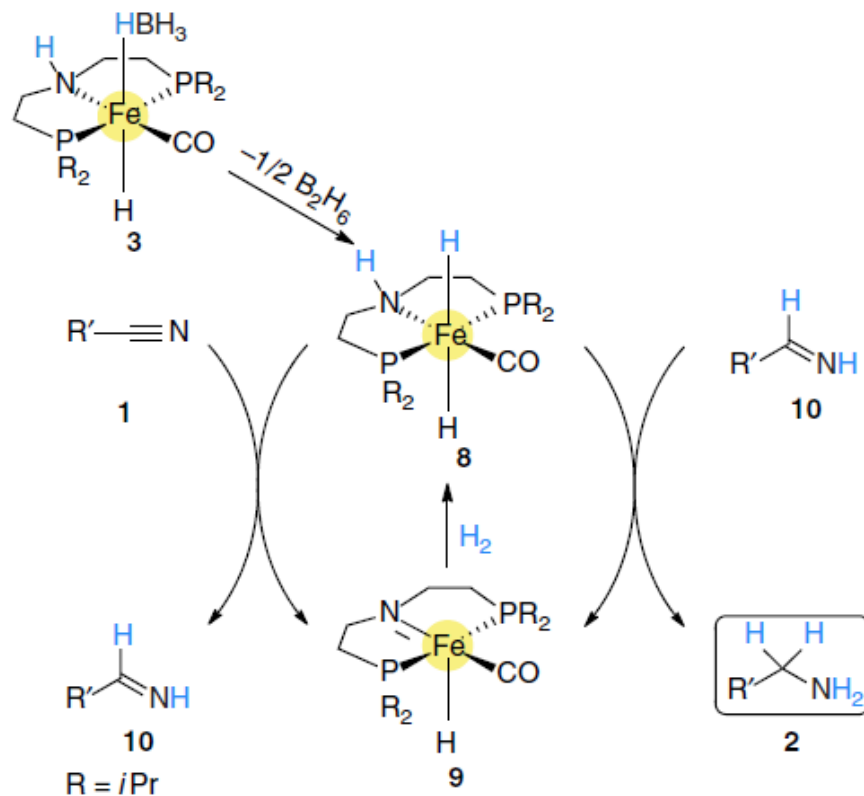
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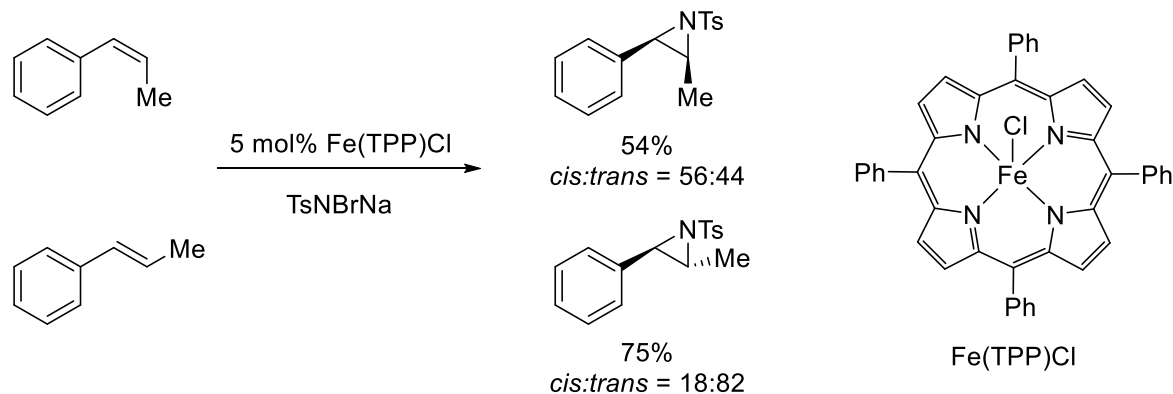


IRON-CATALYZED CYCLOADDITIONS AND RING EXPANSION REACTIONS

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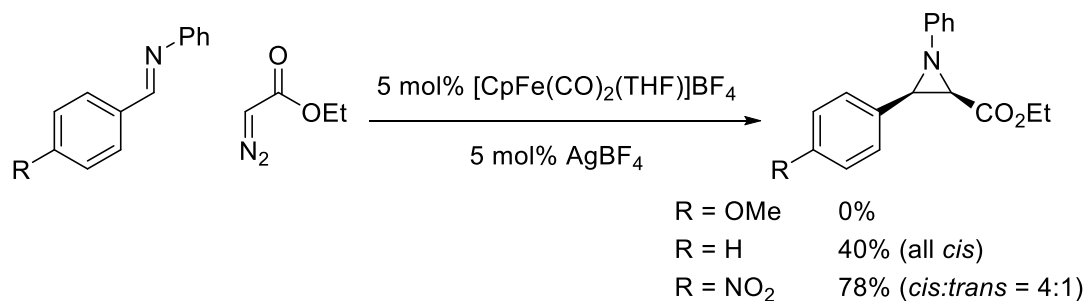
[2+1]-CYCLOADDITIONS: AZIRIDINES

- Zhang used bromamine-T as a nitrene source



Zhang, X. P. *Org. Lett.* **2004**, 6, 1907.

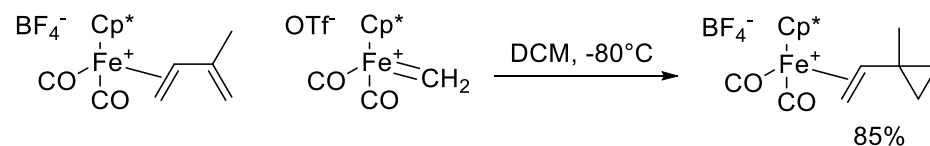
- Hossain demonstrated iron-catalyzed carbene transfer



Hossain, M. M. et. al. *J. Org. Chem.* **1998**, 63, 6839.

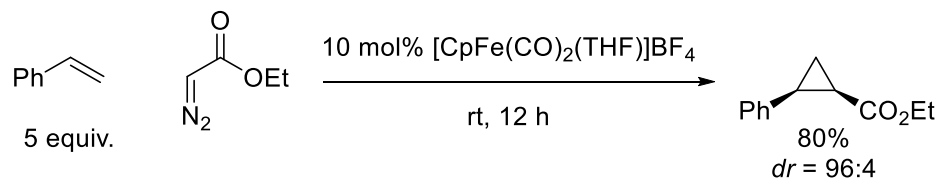
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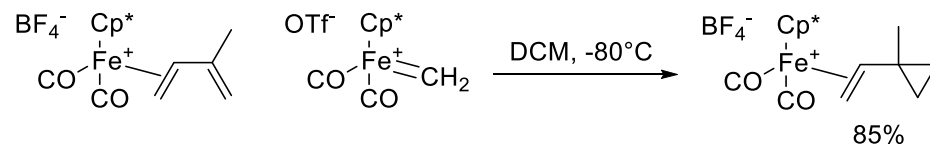
- Hossain used his aziridination catalyst system for cyclopropanes as well



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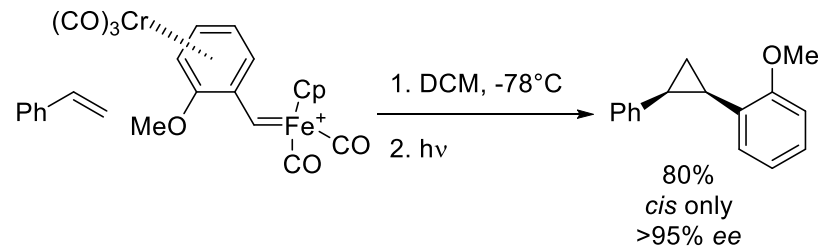
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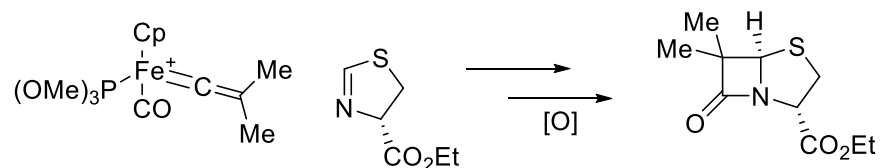
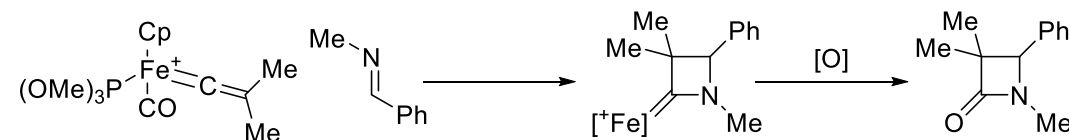
- Hossain also utilized a bimetallic system to achieve high ee's



Hossain, M. M. et. al. *J. Organomet. Chem.* **2005**, 690, 6238.

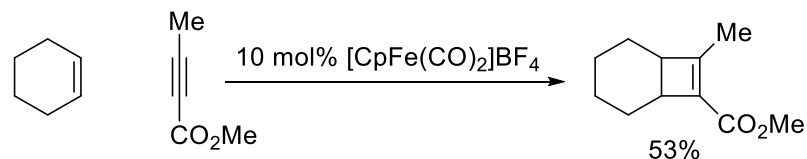
[2+2]-CYCLOADDITIONS

- Barrett reported hetero [2+2] reactions to give β -lactams after oxidation



Barrett, A. G. M. et. al. *Organometallics* **1990**, 9, 151.

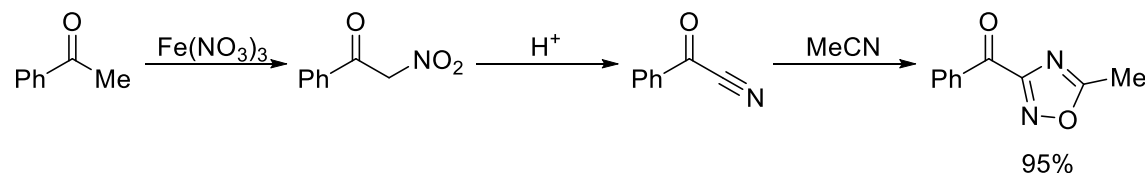
- Rosenblum and Scheck reported a [2+2] between alkenes and alkynes



Rosenblum, M. Scheck, D. *Organometallics* **1982**, 1, 397.

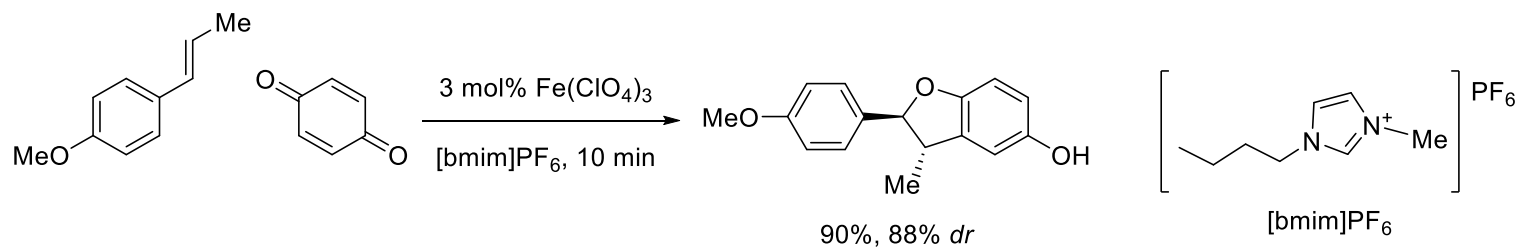
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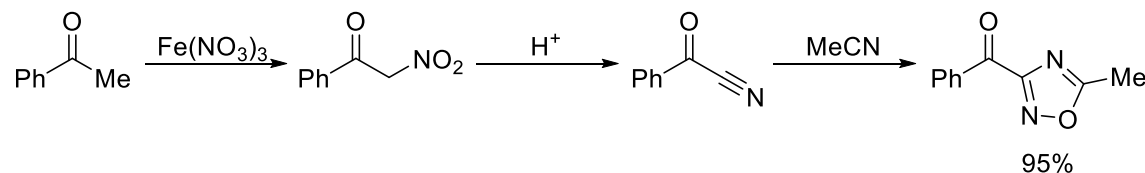
- Itoh showed a catalytic version with good *dr*



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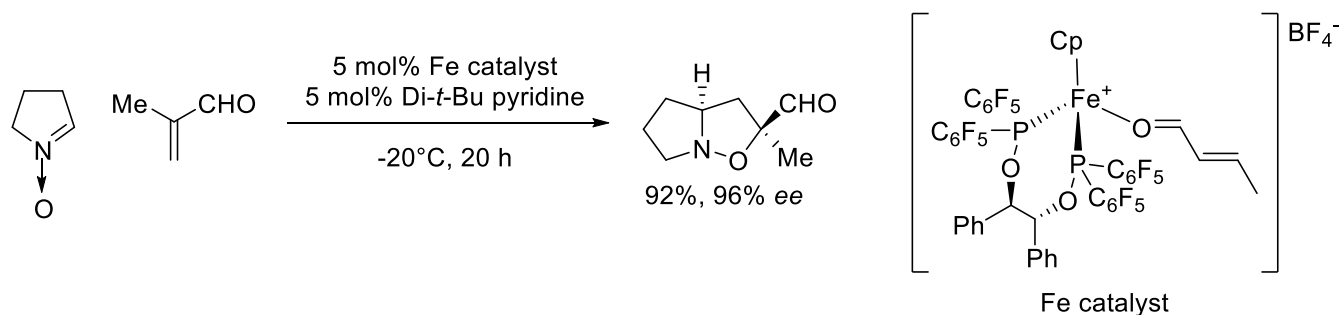
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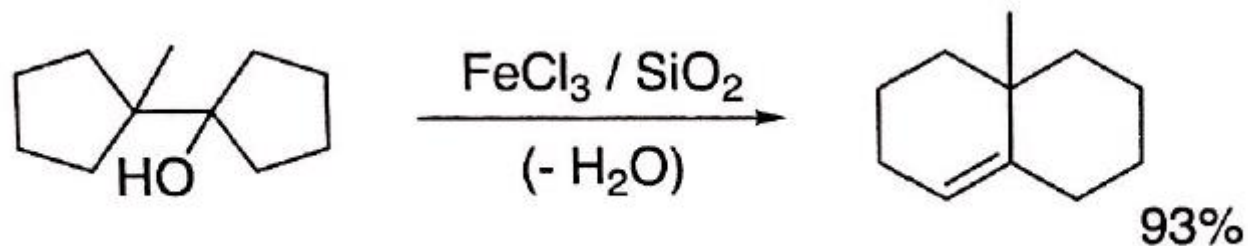
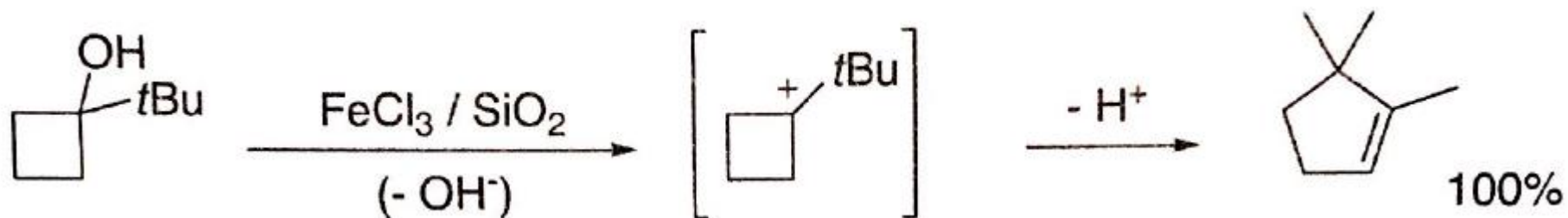
- Kündig showed an asymmetric example with good yields and ees



Kündig, E. P. *et. al. JACS*, **2002**, 124, 4968.

RING EXPANSIONS

- Fadel and Salaün reported dehydrative ring expansion reactions of cyclic alcohols

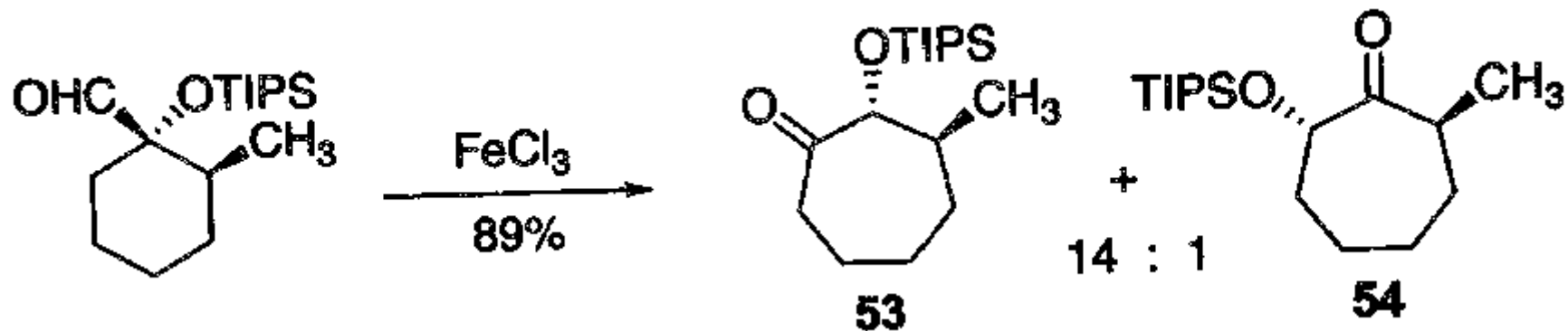


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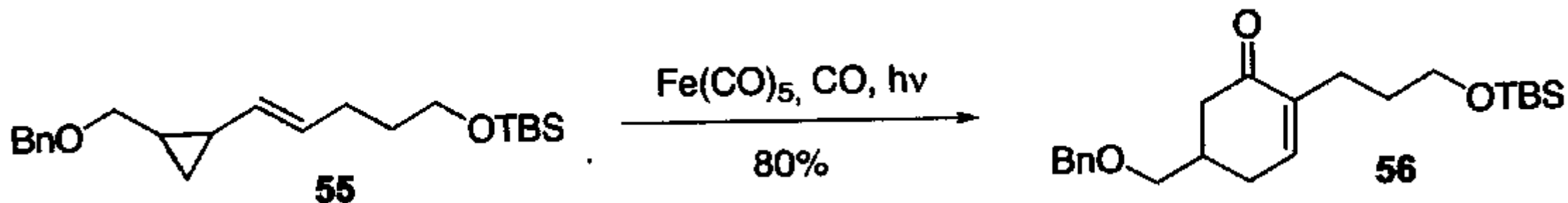
RING EXPANSIONS

- Kuwajima reported ring expansion of cyclohexane carbaldehydes



Kuwajima, I, et. al. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, 30, 4267.

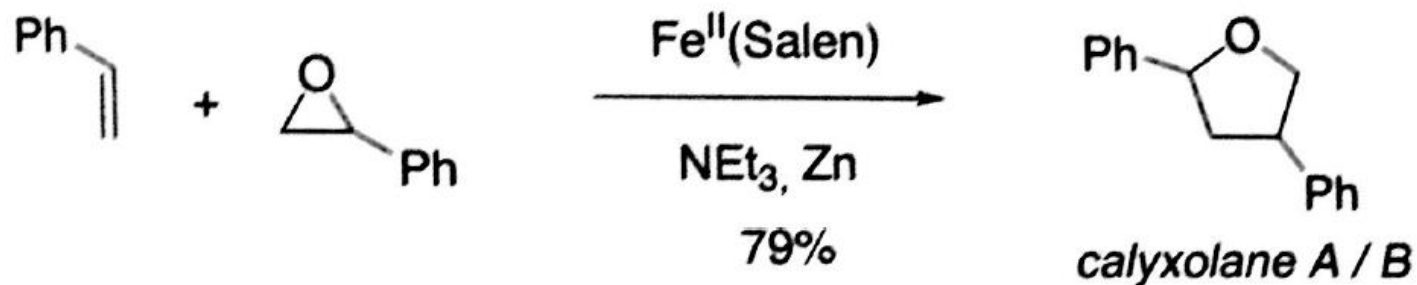
- Taber reported ring expansion of vinyl cyclopropanes



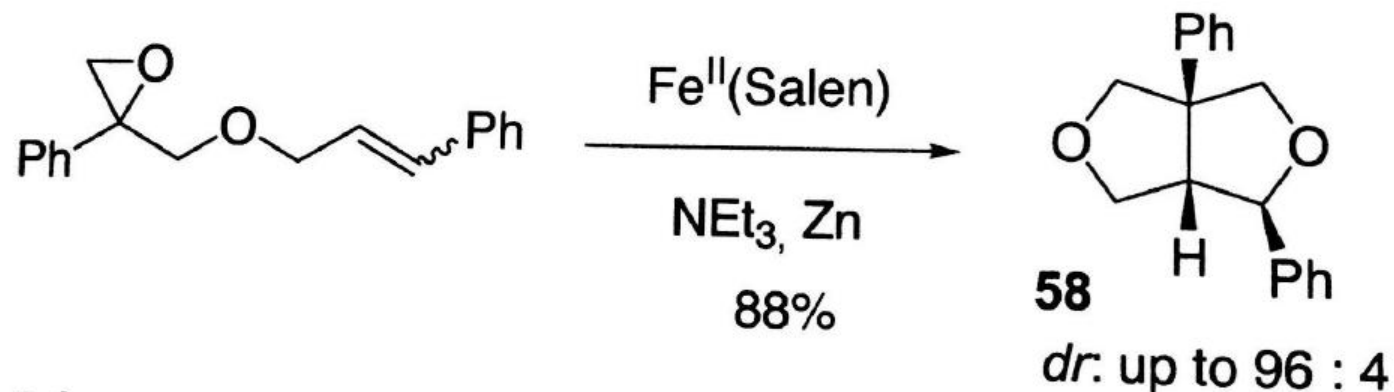
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RING EXPANSIONS

- Hilt reported ring expansion of epoxides to THFs



- Hilt also reported an intramolecular variant

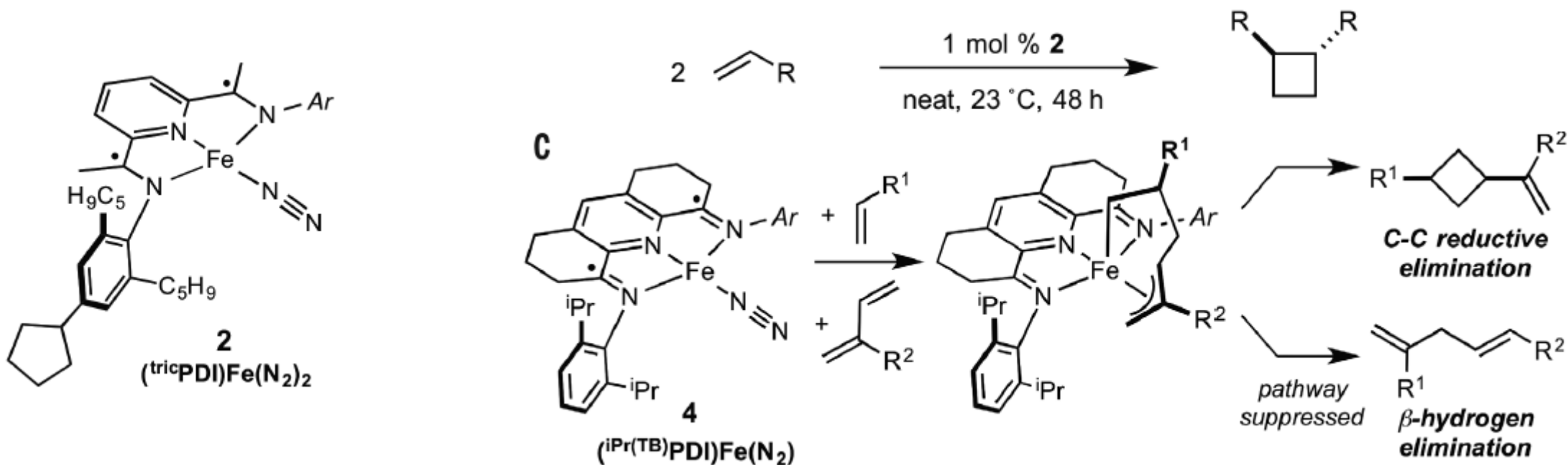


Hilt, G. et. al. Chem. Commun. **2005**, 1996.

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RECENT ADVANCES

- Chirik reported an iron-catalyzed [2+2]-cycloaddition



SUMMARY

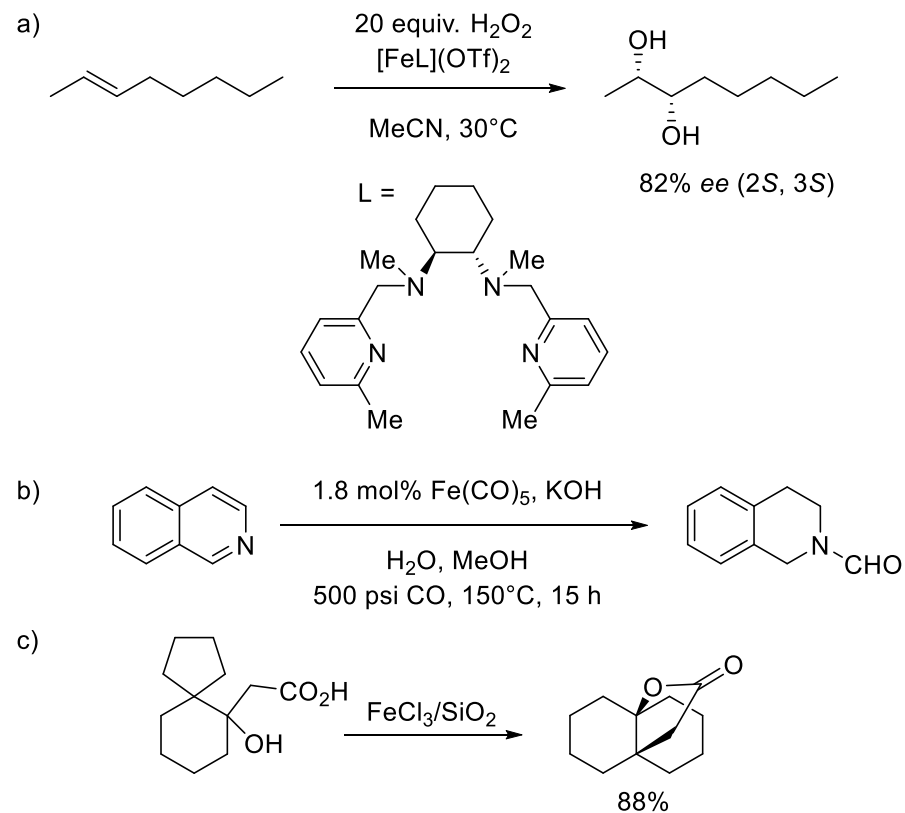
- Iron has had a slower start than 2nd or 3rd row transition metals, but is becoming more popular due to its cost and availability.
- Iron has great potential to be useful for many organic reactions, such as oxidation, reduction, and cycloadditions, just to name a few.
- The future of iron is very bright (rust-free).

THANKS! QUESTIONS?



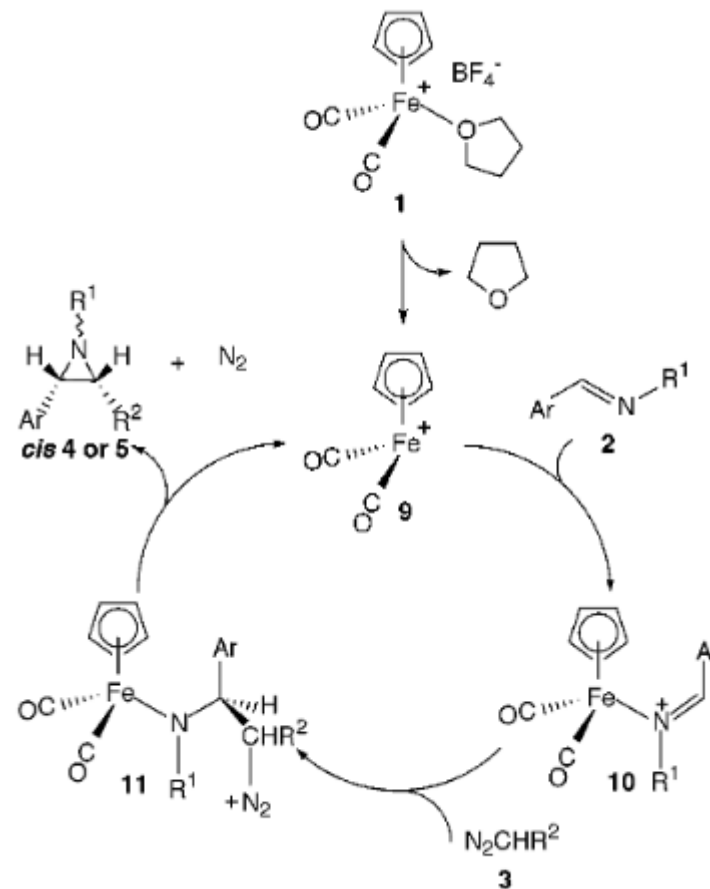
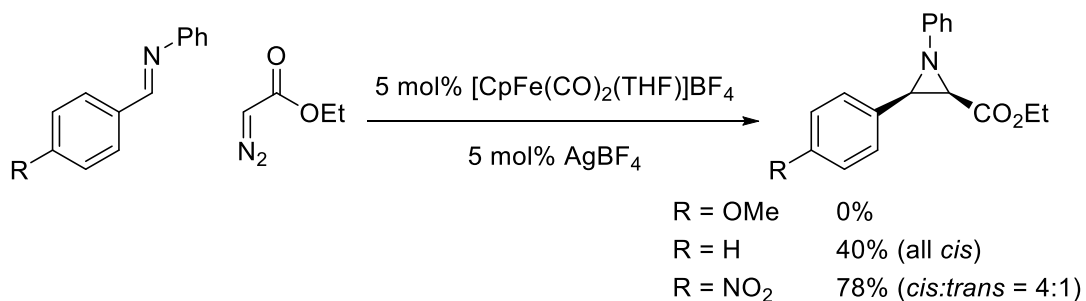
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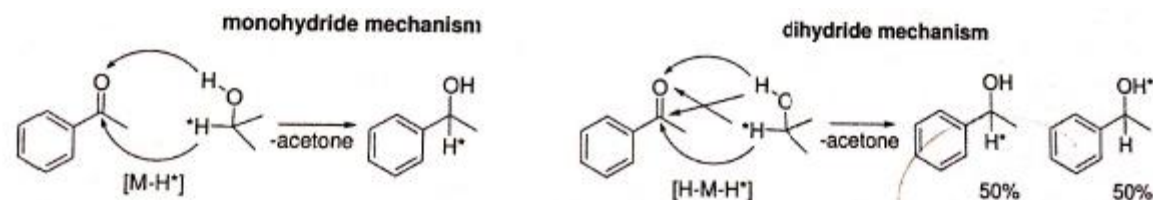
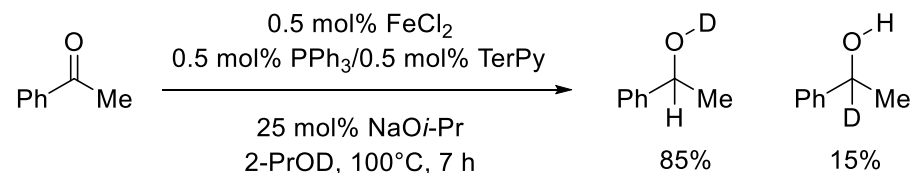
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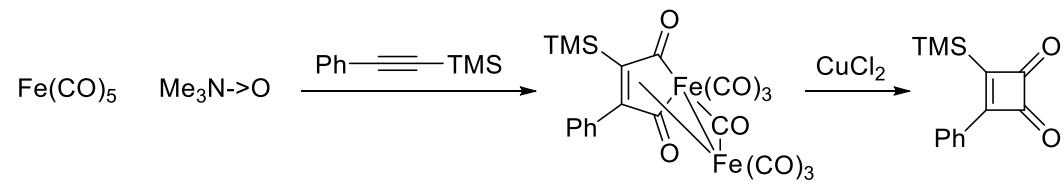
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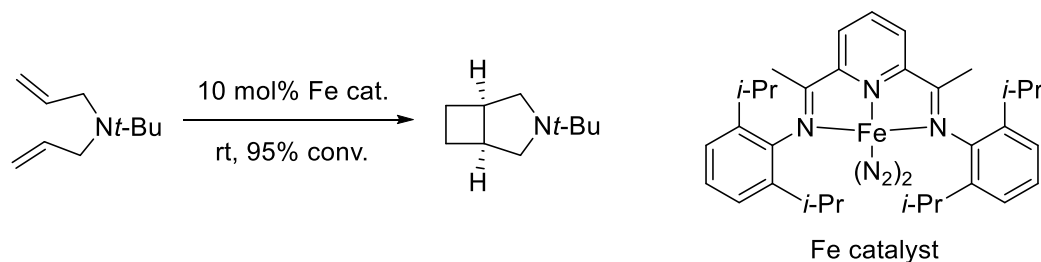


[2+2]-CYCLOADDITIONS

- Raj showed iron-mediated [2+1+1] formation of cyclobutenediones

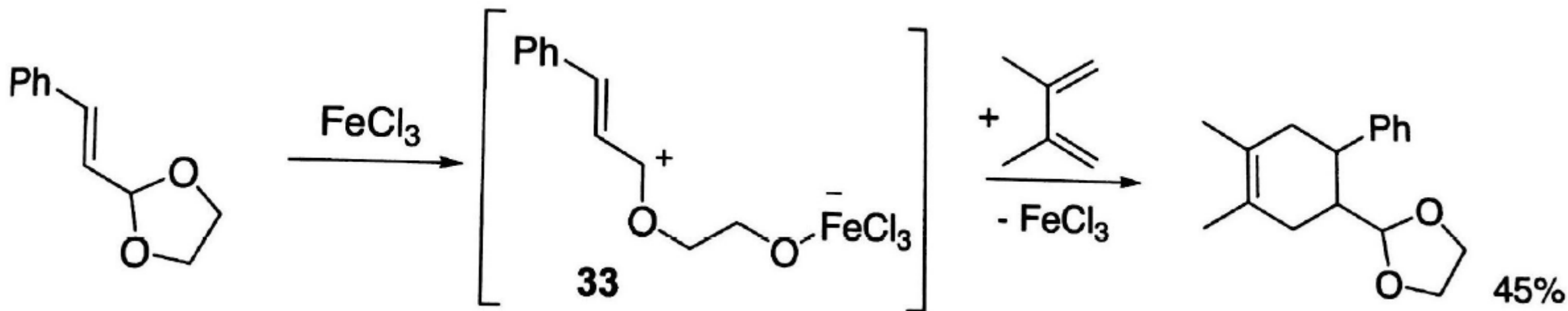


- Chirik demonstrated an intramolecular [2+2] leading to fused ring formation



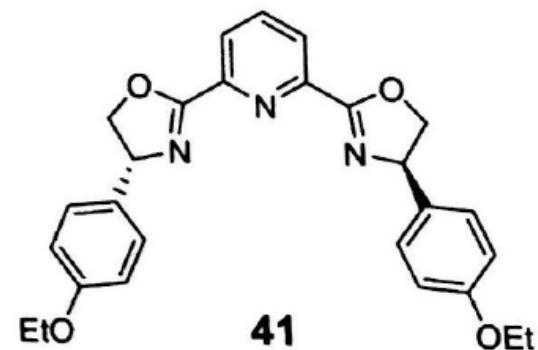
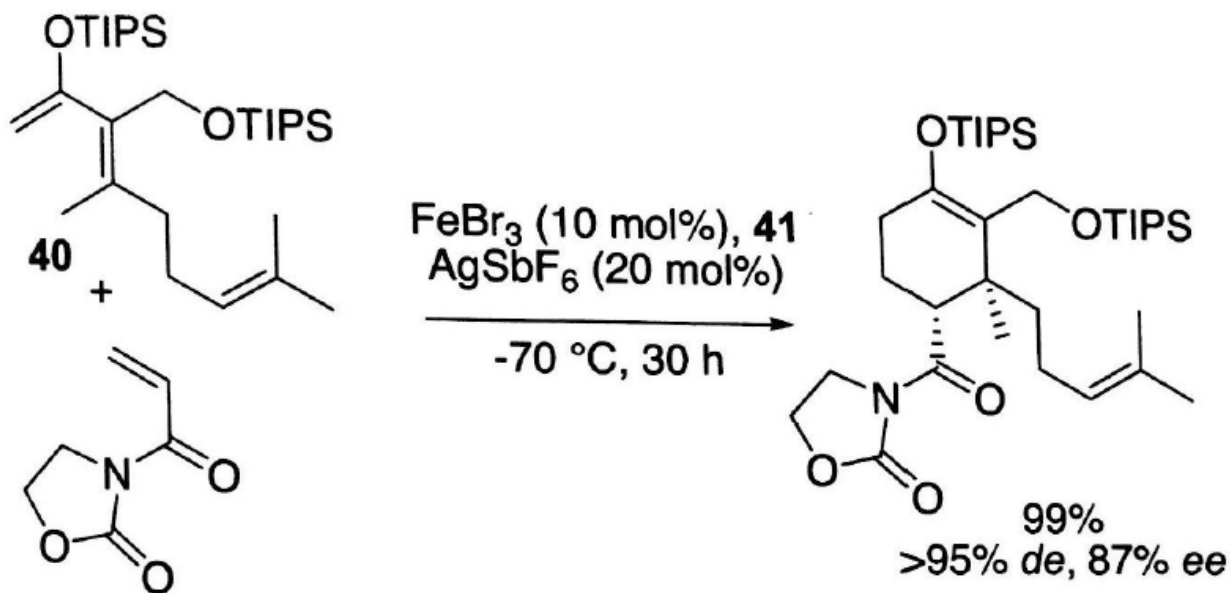
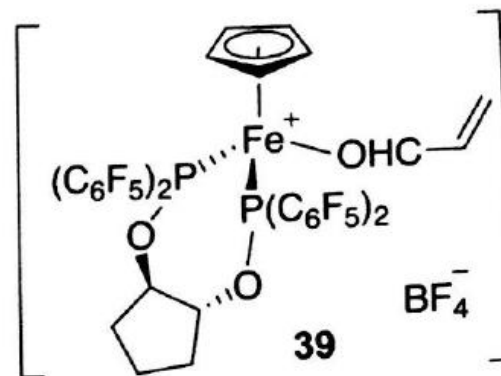
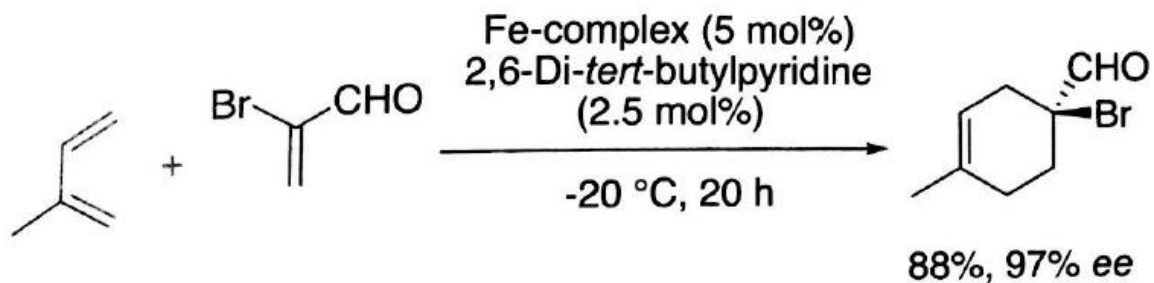
[4+2]-CYCLOADDITIONS

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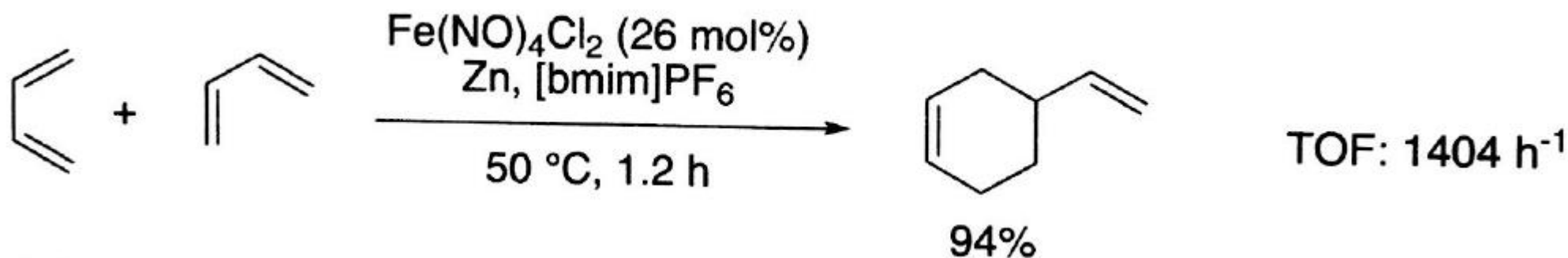
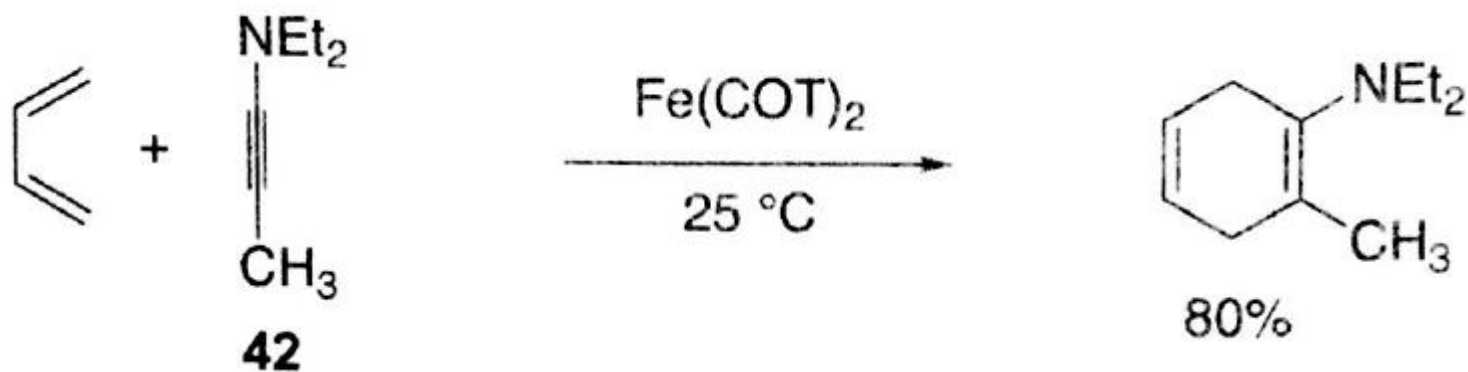
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- Inverse electron demand

