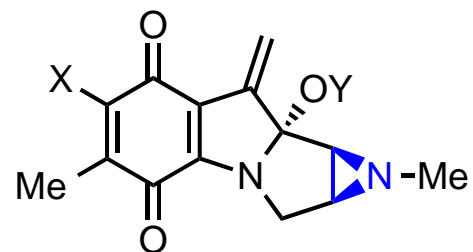
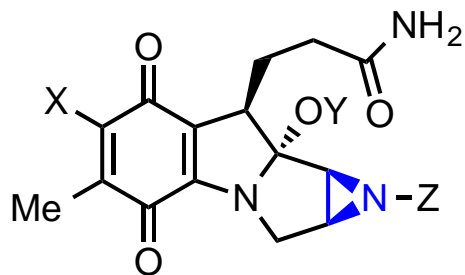
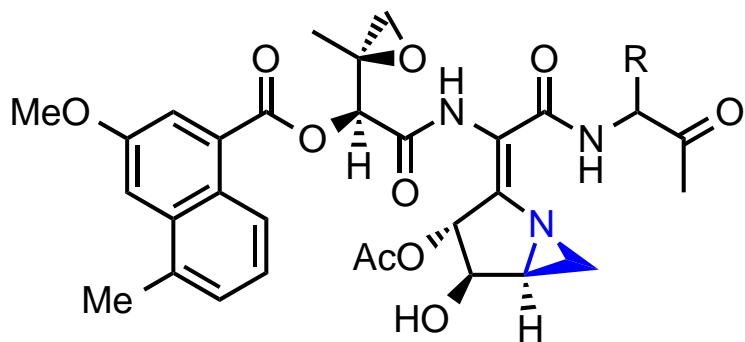


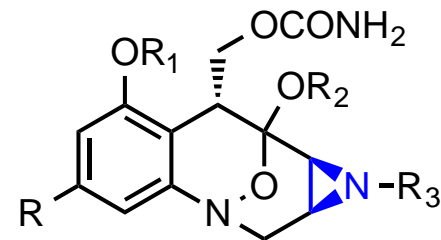
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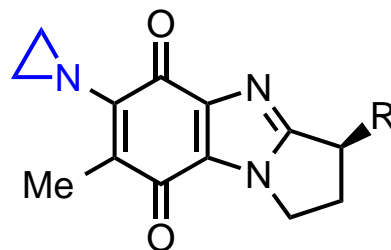
Mitomycin



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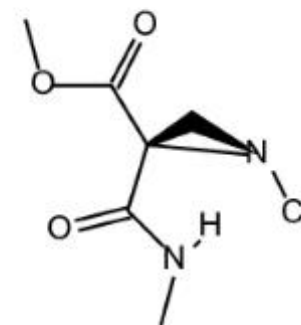
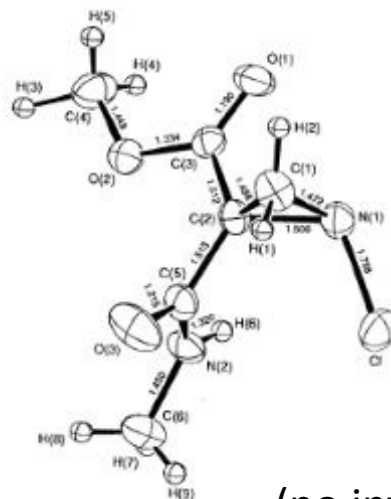
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  - Carbene and ylide methods*
- 5. Conclusion*

# Physical Properties



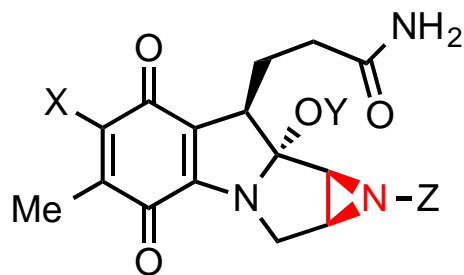
ethyleneimine  
water-soluble,  
colorless, distillable  
liquid

b.p. 57°C  
pKa 7.98



(no inversion at 50°C)

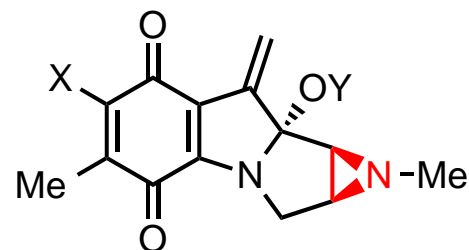
# Biological Properties (Natural Products)



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**Mitomycin B** X=OMe, Y=H, Z=Me

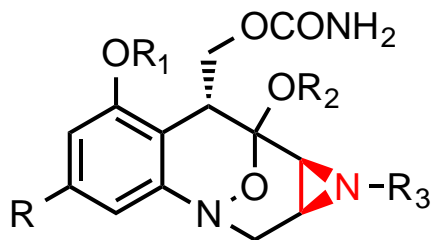
**Mitomycin C** X=NH<sub>2</sub>, Y=Me, Z=H



**Mitomycin G** X=NH<sub>2</sub>, Y=Me

**Mitomycin H** X=OMe, Y=H

**Mitomycin K** X=OMe, Y=Me



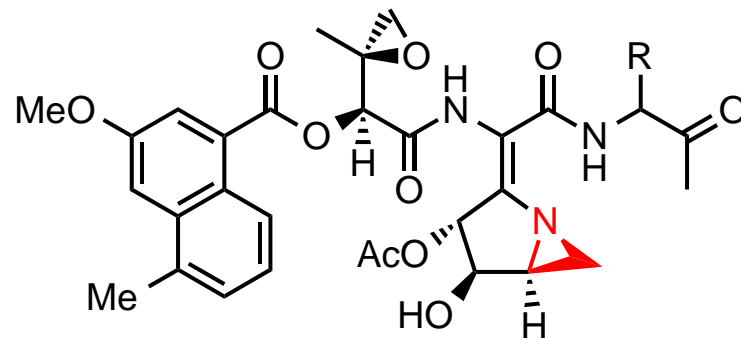
**FR-900482** R=CHO, R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>=H

**FR-66979** R=CH<sub>2</sub>OH, R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>=H

**FR-70496** R=CHO, R<sub>1</sub>=Me, R<sub>2</sub>=H, R<sub>3</sub>=Ac

**FK-973** R=CHO, R<sub>1</sub>, R<sub>2</sub>, R<sub>3</sub>=Ac

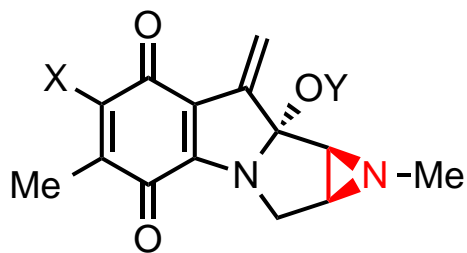
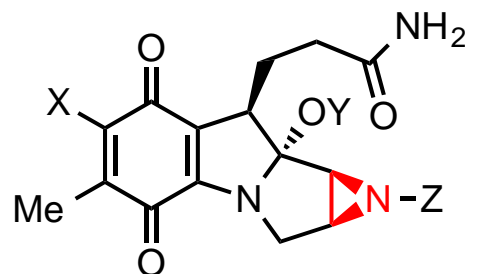
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**Azinomycin A** R=H

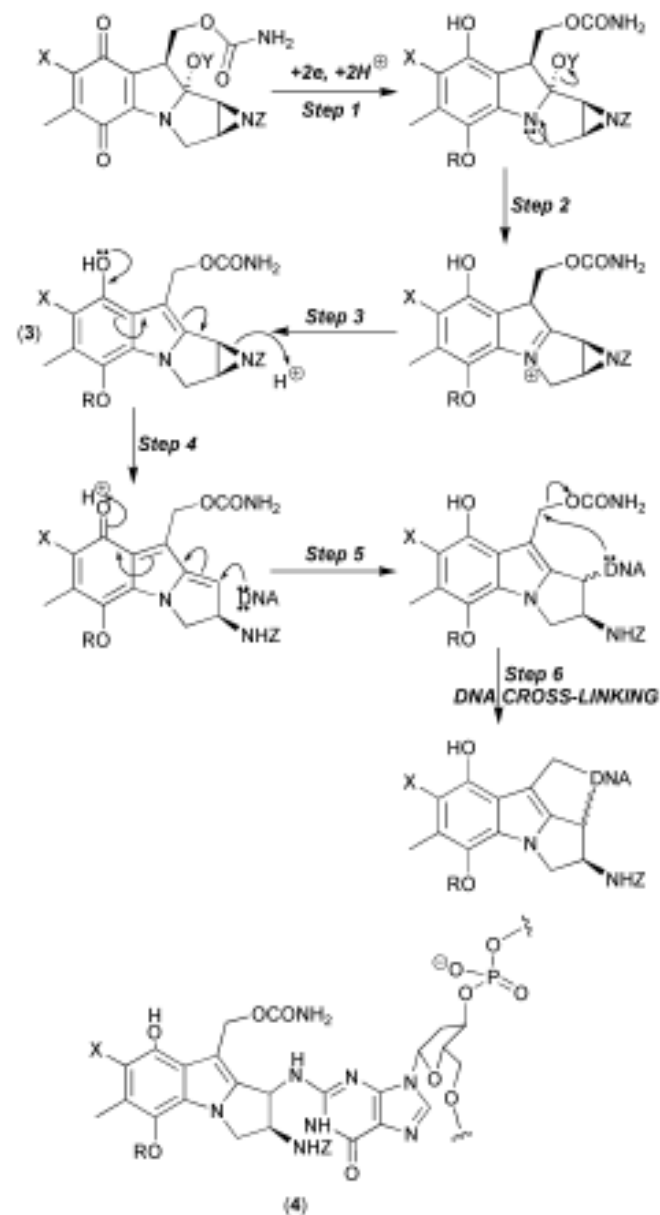
**Azinomycin B** R=CHO

# Biological Properties(DNA interaction of aziridines)



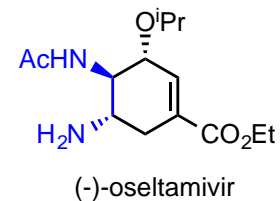
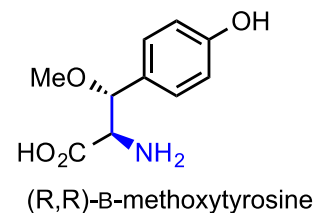
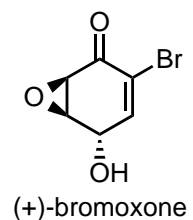
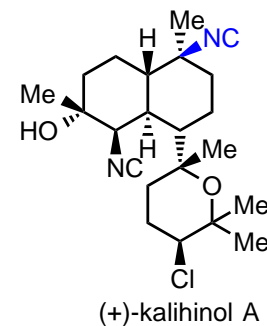
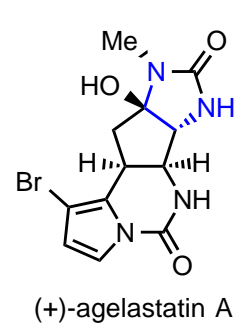
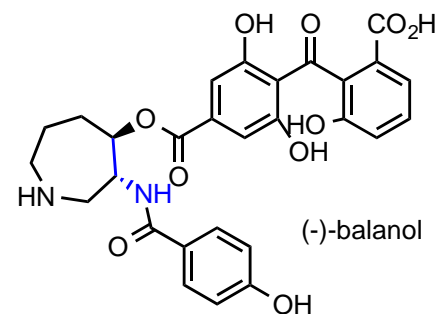
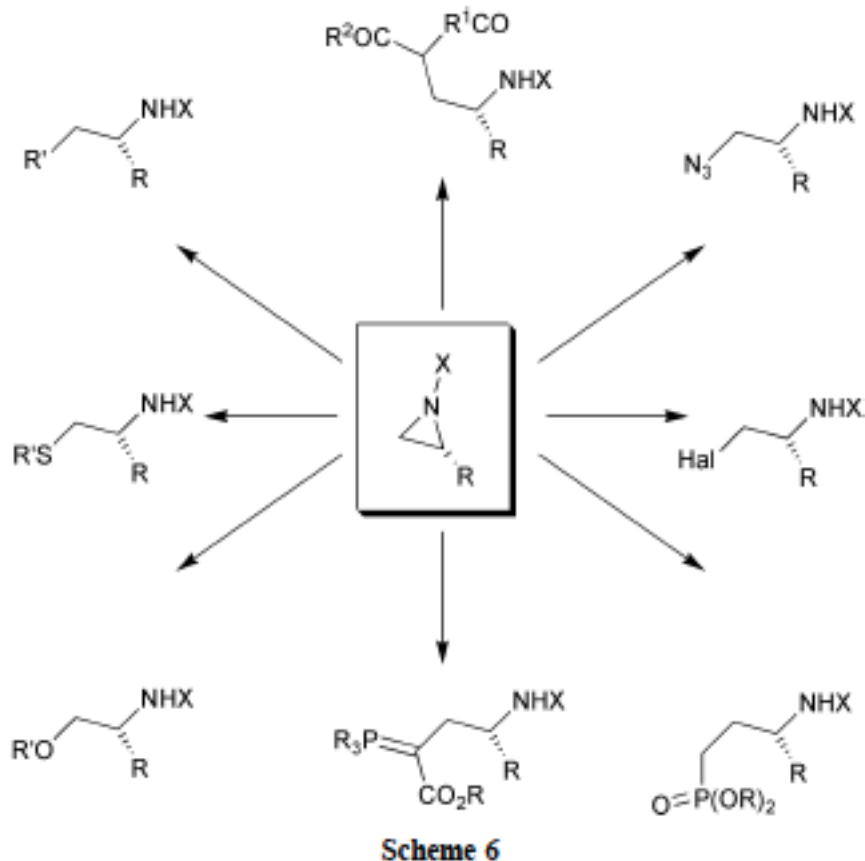
Mitosanes

*Streptomyces verticillatus*  
anti-tumour  
antibiotic activity

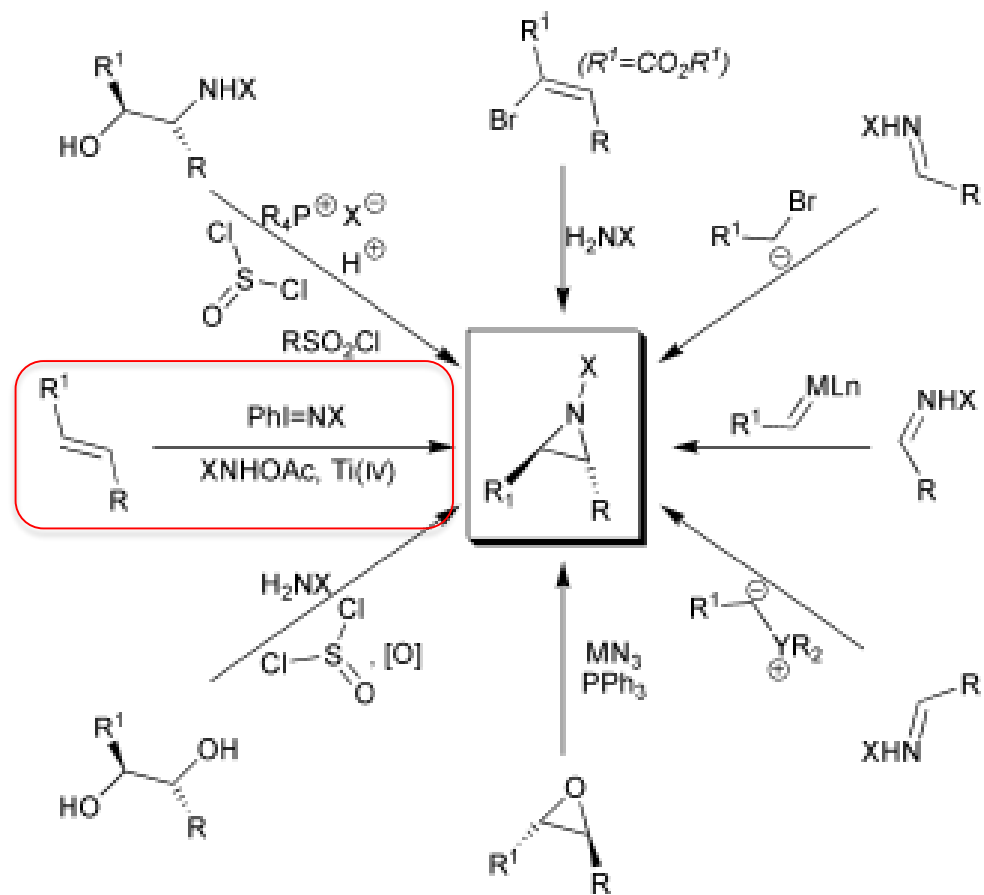


Scheme 1 Mode of action of Mitosanes.

# Reactions of Aziridines (Ring opening processes)

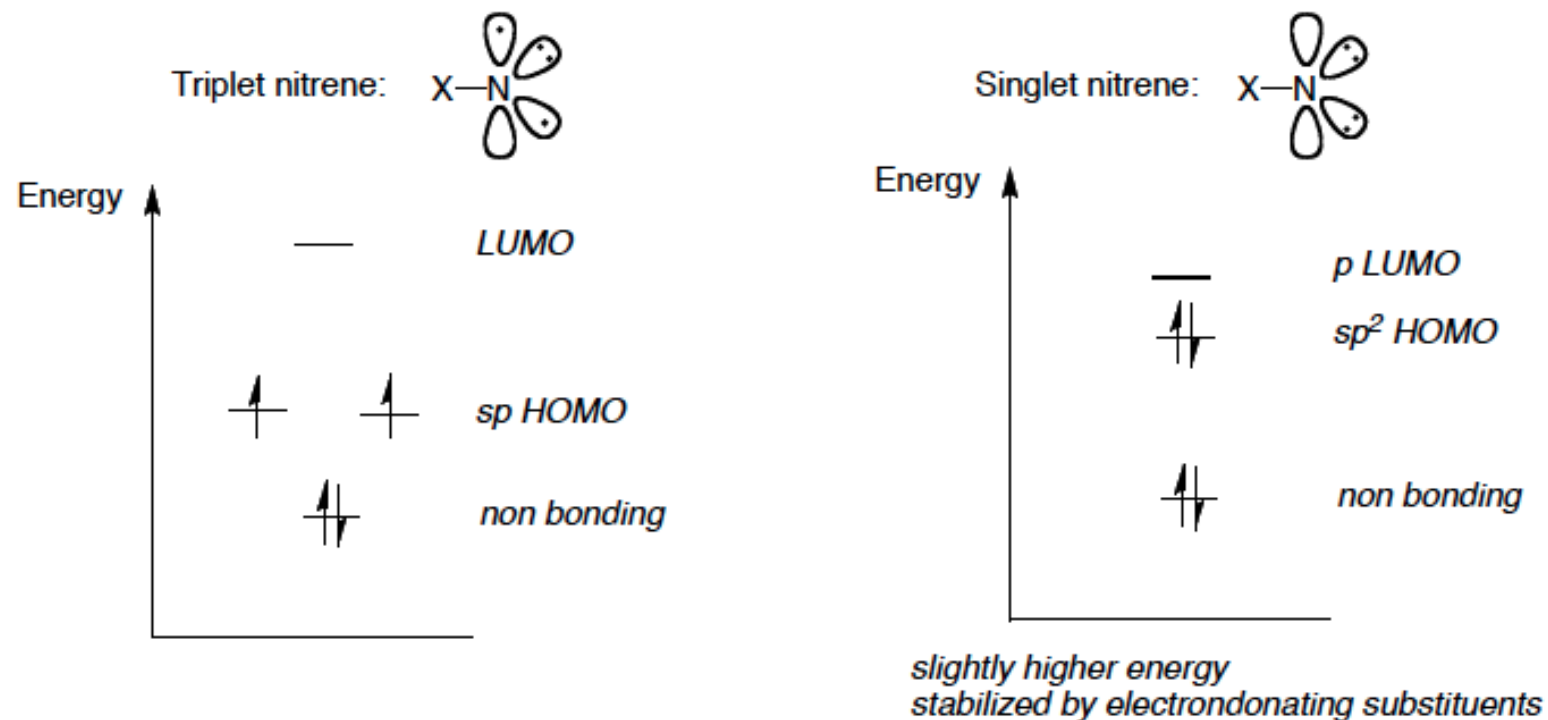


# Syntheses of Aziridines (Overview)

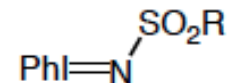
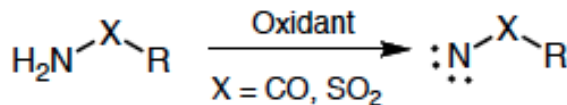
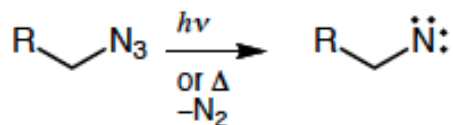


Scheme 19

# Introduction of nitrenes



Common nitrene precursors:



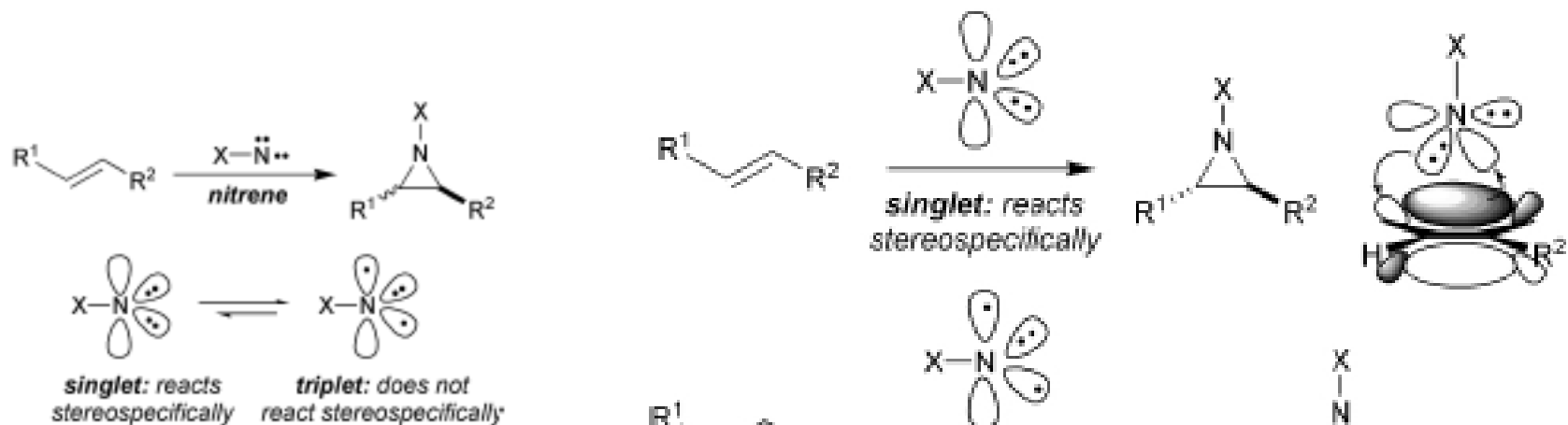
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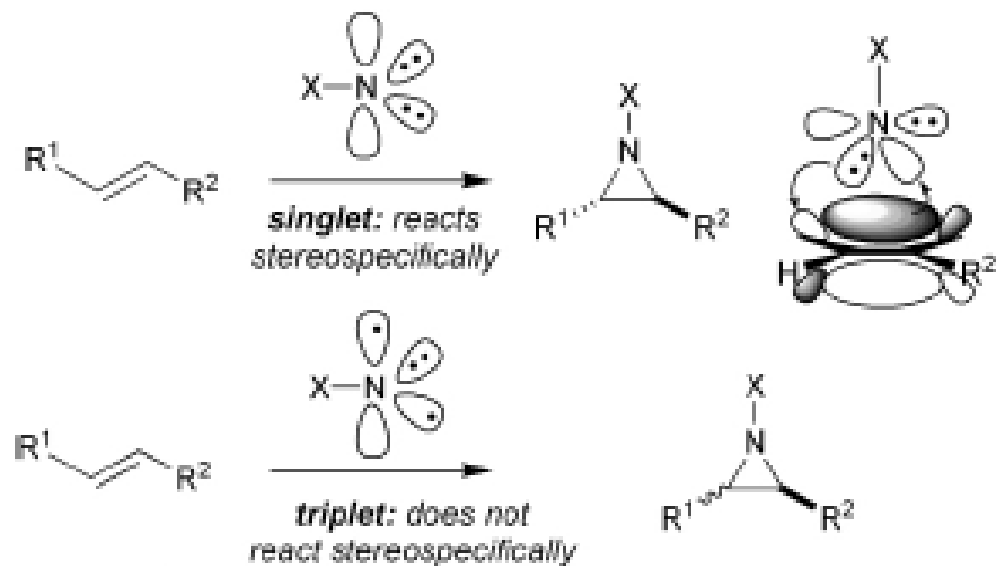
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# Stereoselectivity of nitrenes

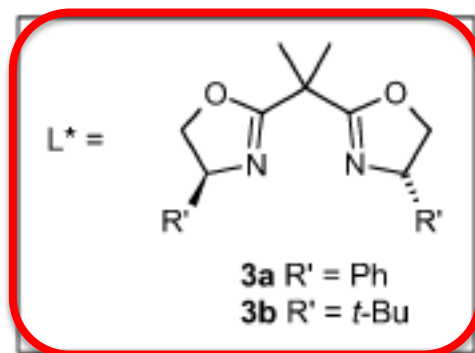
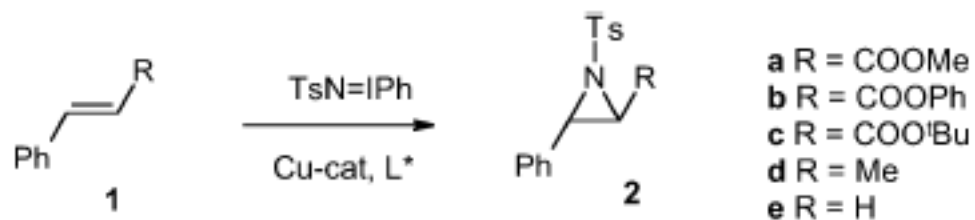


**Scheme 21**



**Scheme 22**

# *Cu-catalyzed aziridinations (Evans)*



**Table 1. Aziridination of Olefins with Bis(oxazoline)–Copper Complexes**

olefin	cat.	solvent, conditions	yield, %	ee, %	conf.
methyl cinnamate ( <b>1a</b> )	<b>3a</b>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (24 h, 21 °C)	63	94	( <i>S</i> )
phenyl cinnamate ( <b>1b</b> )	<b>3a</b>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (24 h, 21 °C)	64	97	( <i>S</i> )
<i>t</i> -butyl cinnamate ( <b>1c</b> )	<b>3a</b>	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>6</sub> (24 h, 21 °C)	60	96	( <i>S</i> )
<i>trans</i> - $\beta$ -methylstyrene ( <b>1d</b> )	<b>3b</b>	MeCN (3 d, –20 °C)	62	70	( <i>S</i> )
styrene ( <b>1e</b> )	<b>3b</b>	styrene (2.5 h, 0°C)	89	63	( <i>R</i> )

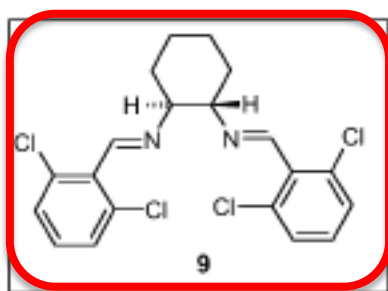
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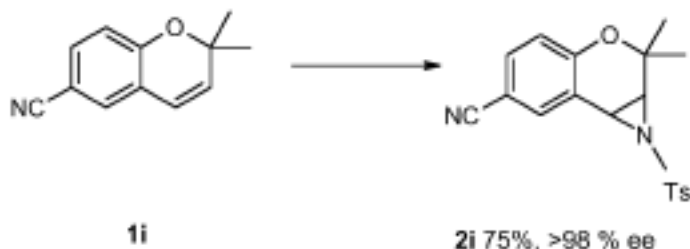
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# Cu-catalyzed aziridinations (Jacobsen)



- e R = R' = H
- f R = H, R' = Me
- g 1,2-dihydronaphthalene
- h Indene
- i 6-cyano-2,2-dimethylchromene



**Table 2. Cu-Catalyzed Aziridination of Olefins with Jacobsen's Ligand 9<sup>a</sup>**

olefin	aziridine, yield, %	ee, %	abs. conf.
styrene ( <b>1e</b> )	79	66	( <i>R</i> )
<i>cis</i> - $\beta$ -methylstyrene ( <b>1f</b> )	79 ( <i>dt</i> = 3:1)	67 ( <i>cis</i> ) 81 ( <i>trans</i> )	( <i>1R,2S</i> ) ( <i>1S,2S</i> )
1,2-dihydronaphthalene ( <b>1g</b> )	70	87	( <i>1R,2S</i> )
indene ( <b>1h</b> )	50	58	( <i>1R,2S</i> )
6-cyano-2,2-dimethylchromene ( <b>1i</b> )	75	>98	( <i>3R,4R</i> )

<sup>a</sup> -40 to -78 °C,  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$ , 4 Å sieves, 5–10 mol % of Cu, 6–12 mol % of **9**.

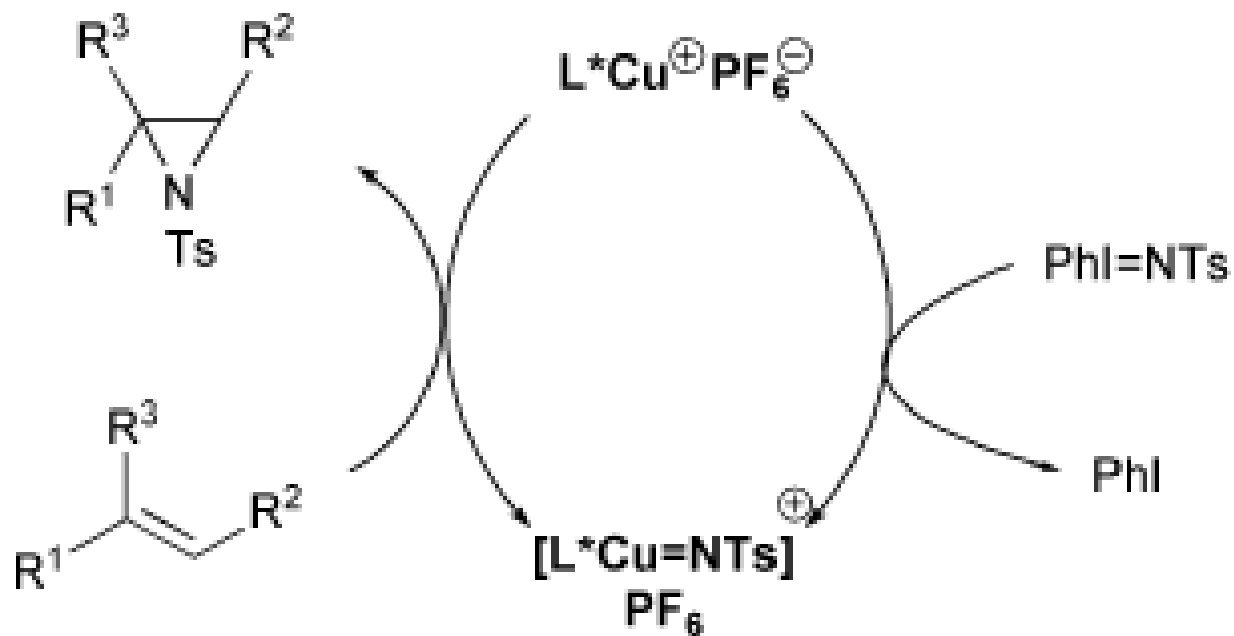
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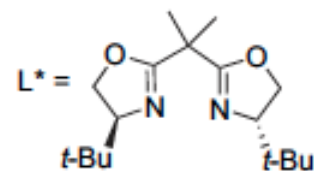
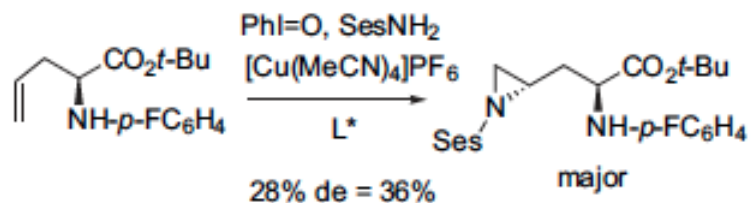
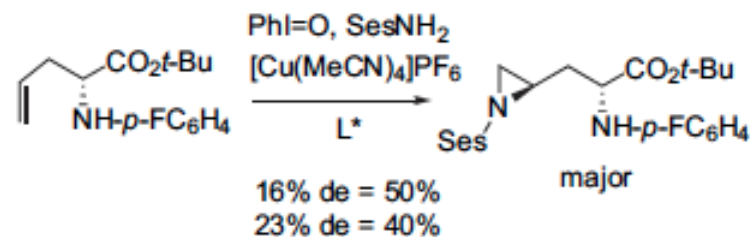
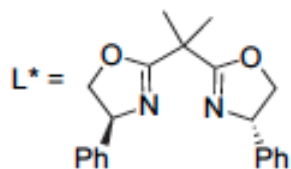
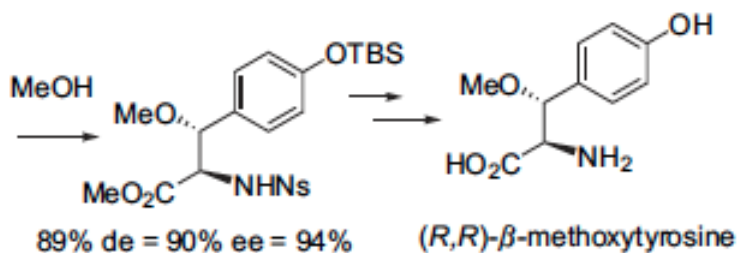
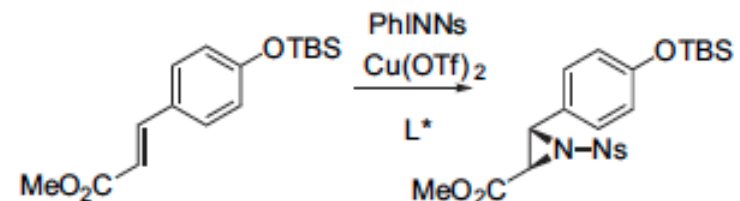
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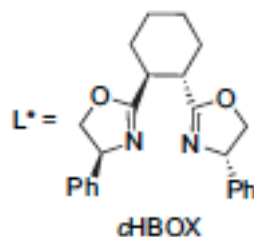
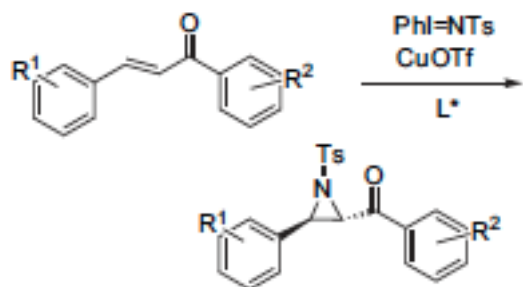
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# *Cu-catalyzed aziridinations(nitrenes)*

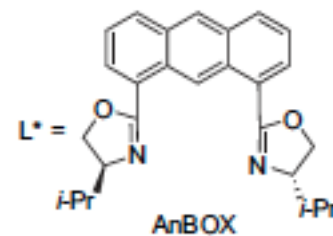


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# *Cu-catalyzed aziridinations(ligands)*



$R^1 = R^2 = \text{H}$ : 56% ee = 91%  
 $R^1 = p\text{-Me}$ ,  $R^2 = \text{H}$ : 62% ee = 94%



$R^1 = R^2 = \text{H}$ : 80% ee = 96%  
 $R^1 = p\text{-Me}$ ,  $R^2 = \text{H}$ : 86% ee = 98%

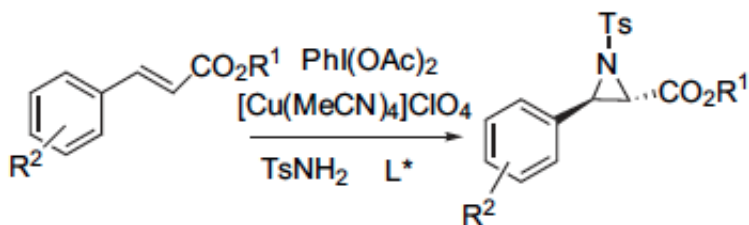
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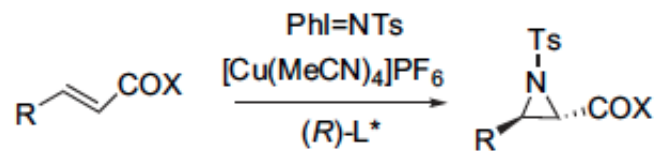
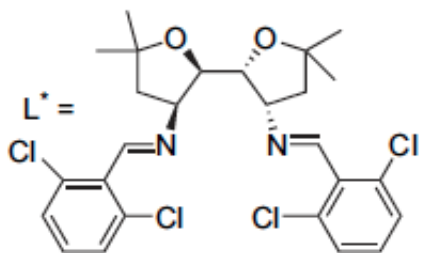
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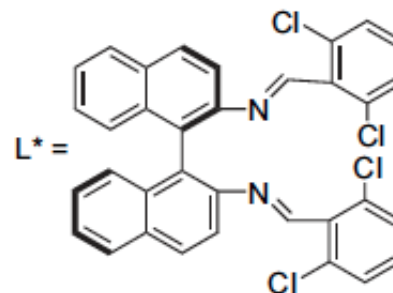


- R<sup>1</sup> = *t*-Bu, R<sup>2</sup> = H: 49% ee = 96%
- R<sup>1</sup> = *t*-Bu, R<sup>2</sup> = 4-F: 55% ee = 95%
- R<sup>1</sup> = *t*-Bu, R<sup>2</sup> = 4-Cl: 45% ee = 95%
- R<sup>1</sup> = *t*-Bu, R<sup>2</sup> = 4-Me: 39% ee = 88%
- R<sup>1</sup> = *t*-Bu, R<sup>2</sup> = 4-MeO: 41% ee = 74%
- R<sup>1</sup> = *t*-Bu, R<sup>2</sup> = 2-NO<sub>2</sub>: 19% ee = 97%



from (*R*)-BINIM-DC:

- R = *p*-ClC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, X = OMe: 82% ee = 81% (2*S*,3*R*)
- R = 1-Naph, X = OMe: 74% ee = 77% (2*S*,3*R*)
- R = 2-Naph, X = OMe: 74% ee = 68% (2*S*,3*R*)
- R = Ph, X = OPh: 48% ee = 89% (2*S*,3*R*)
- R = Ph, X = *o*-*t*-Bu: 57% ee = 98% (2*S*,3*R*)
- R = X = Ph: 87% ee = 84% (2*S*,3*R*)

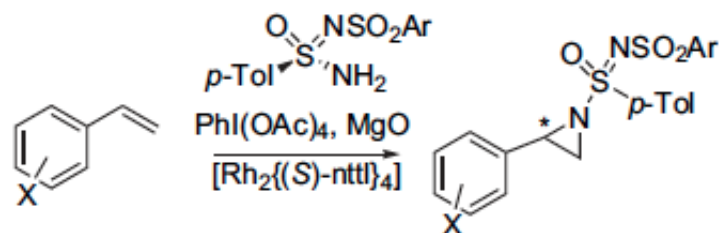


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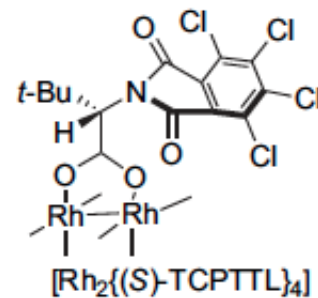
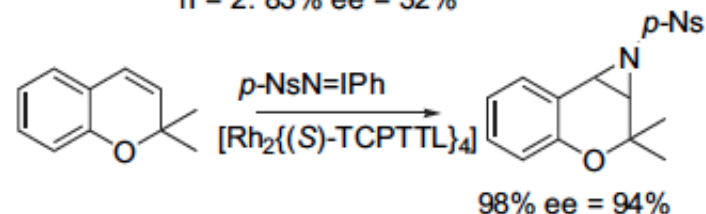
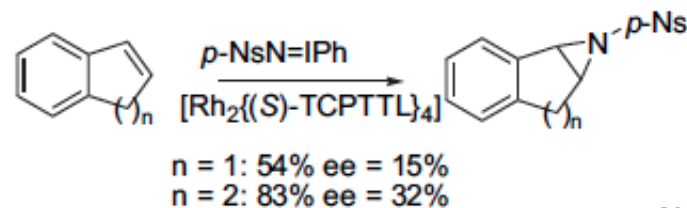
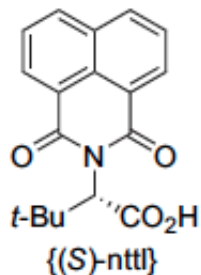
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# Rh-catalyzed aziridinations



Ar = *p*-Tol, X = H: 63% ee = 80%  
 Ar = *p*-NO<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>, X = H: 29% ee = 61%  
 Ar = *p*-Tol, X = 4-Br: 59% ee = 82%



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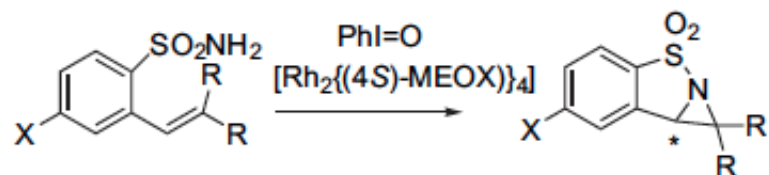
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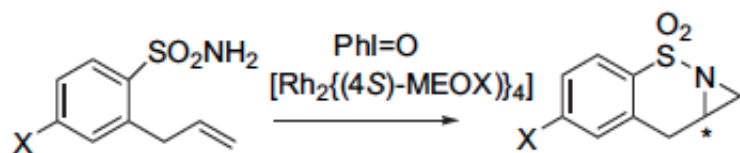
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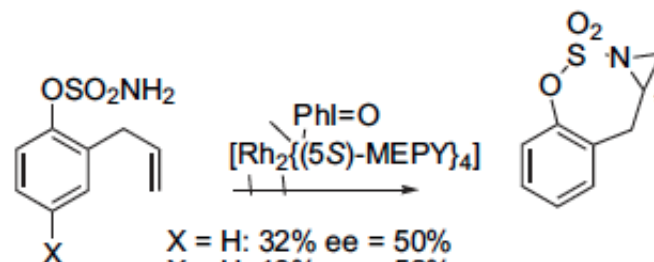
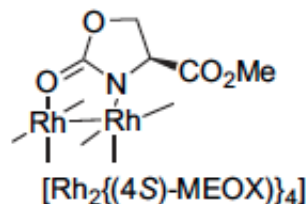
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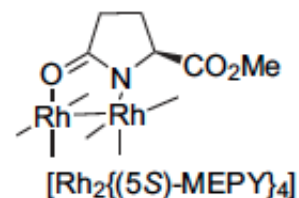
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 X = Me, R = H: 71% ee = 74%  
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 X = H, R = Me: 81% ee = 64%  
 X = Cl, R: 95% ee = 63%



X = Me: 73% ee = 55%  
 X = Cl: 68% ee = 67%  
 X = H: 71% ee = 57%



X = H: 32% ee = 50%  
 X = H: 10% ee = 52%  
 X = F: 63% ee = 17%  
 X = OMe: 18% ee = 39%

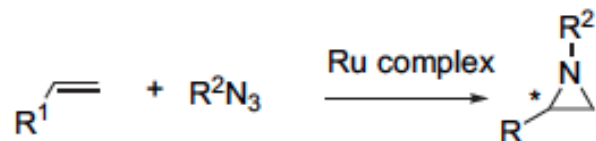


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# *Ru-catalyzed aziridinations*

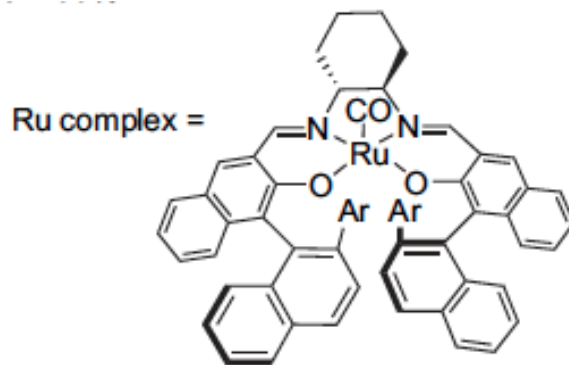


$\text{R}^1 = \text{Ph}$ ,  $\text{R}^2 = p\text{-Ns}$ ,  $\text{Ar} = 3,5\text{-Cl}_2\text{-4-(Me)}_2\text{SiC}_6\text{H}_2$ :

90% ee = 87%

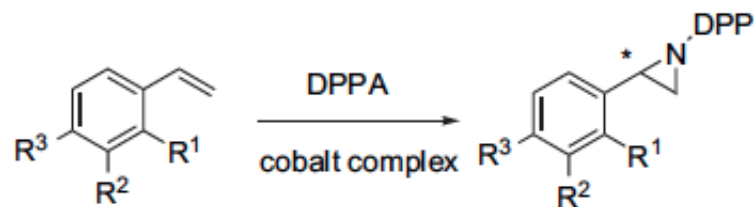
$\text{R}^1 = p\text{-BrC}_6\text{H}_4$ ,  $\text{R}^2 = p\text{-Ns}$ ,  $\text{Ar} = 3,5\text{-Cl}_2\text{-4-(Me)}_2\text{SiC}_6\text{H}_2$ :

93% ee = 83%



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# Co-catalyzed aziridinations

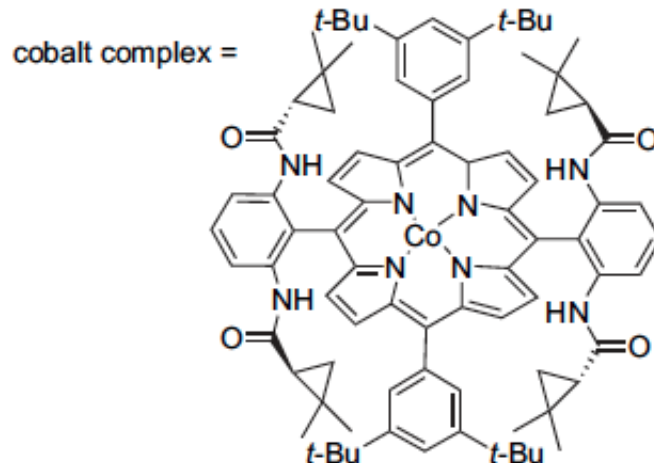


R<sup>1</sup> = R<sup>2</sup> = R<sup>3</sup> = H: 88% ee = 37%

R<sup>1</sup> = Me, R<sup>2</sup> = R<sup>3</sup> = H: 35% ee = 46%

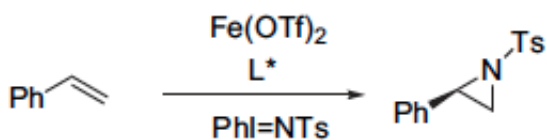
R<sup>1</sup> = R<sup>3</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = Me: 52% ee = 44%

R<sup>1</sup> = R<sup>2</sup> = H, R<sup>3</sup> = Me: 58% ee = 37%

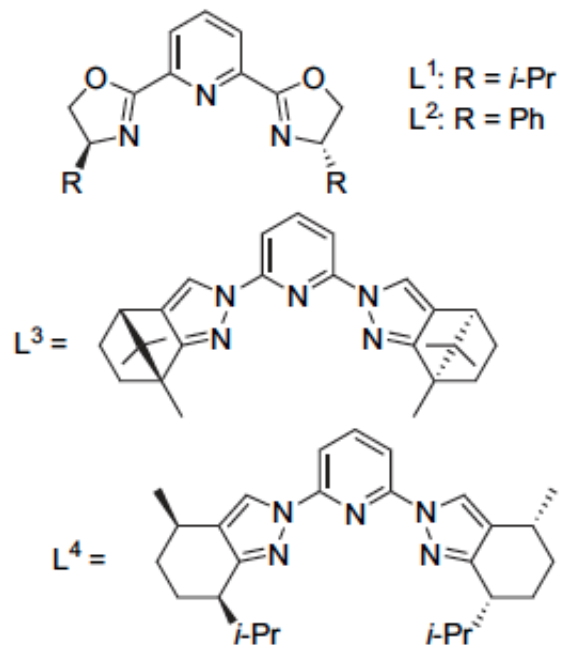


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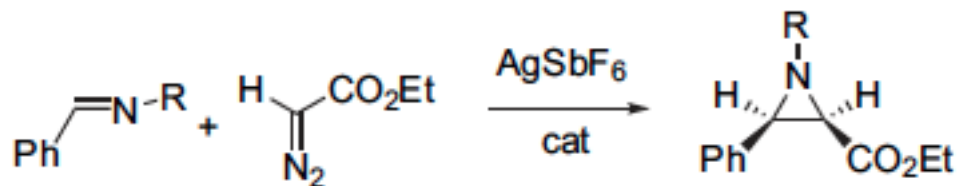


L\* = L<sup>1</sup>: 72% ee = 40%  
L\* = L<sup>2</sup>: 51% ee = 25%  
L\* = L<sup>3</sup>: 60% ee = 20%  
L\* = L<sup>4</sup>: 40% ee = 6%



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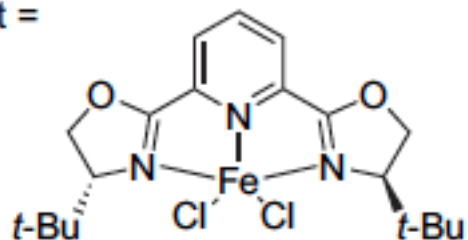
# Carbene methods



R = Ph: 47% ee = 49%

R = CHPh<sub>2</sub>: 39% ee = 28%

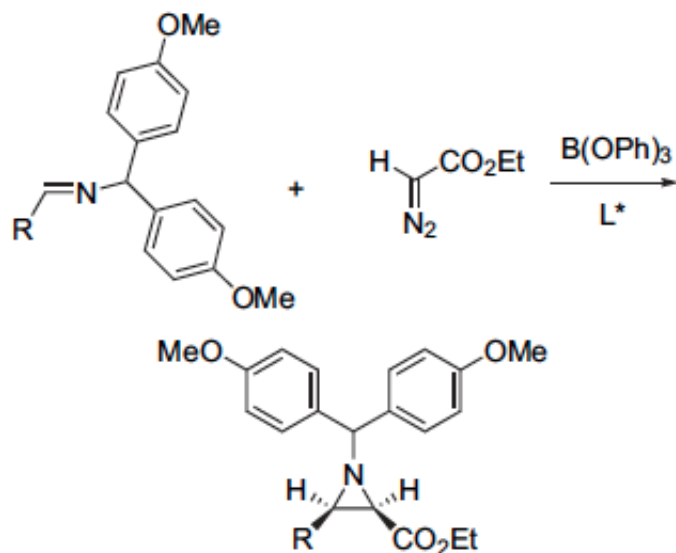
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# Carbene methods



with  $\text{L}^* = \text{VAPOL}$ :

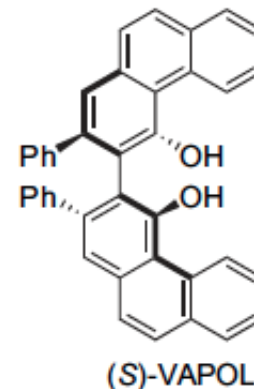
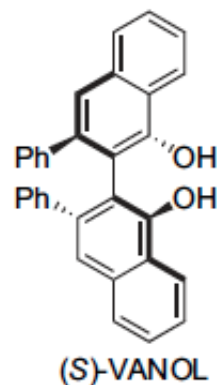
R = Cy: 86% *cis:trans* = 97:3 ee = 84%

R = *t*-Bu: 70% *cis:trans* = 98:2 ee = 75%

with  $\text{L}^* = \text{VANOL}$ :

R = Cy: 69% *cis:trans* = 98:2 ee = 77%

R = *t*-Bu: 77% *cis:trans* = 98:2 ee = 87%

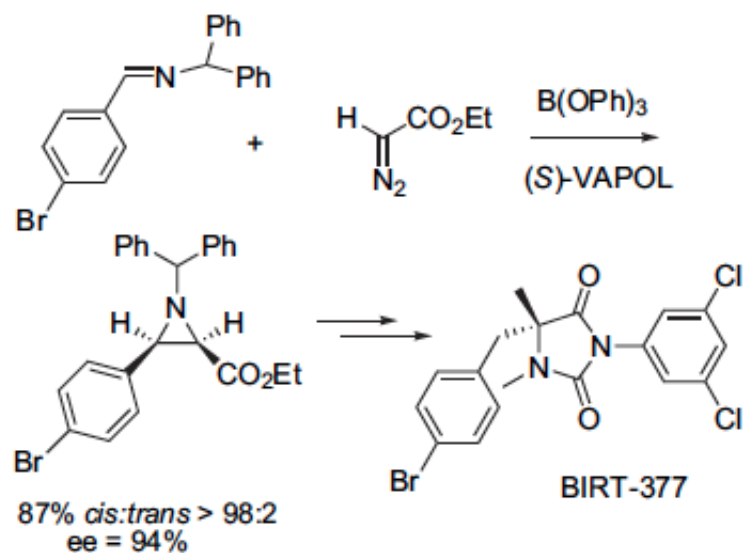


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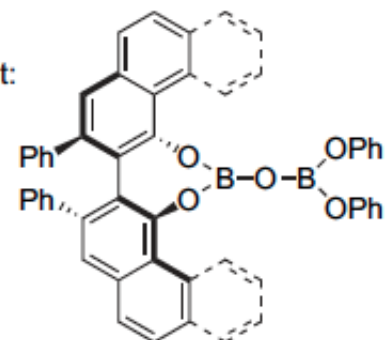
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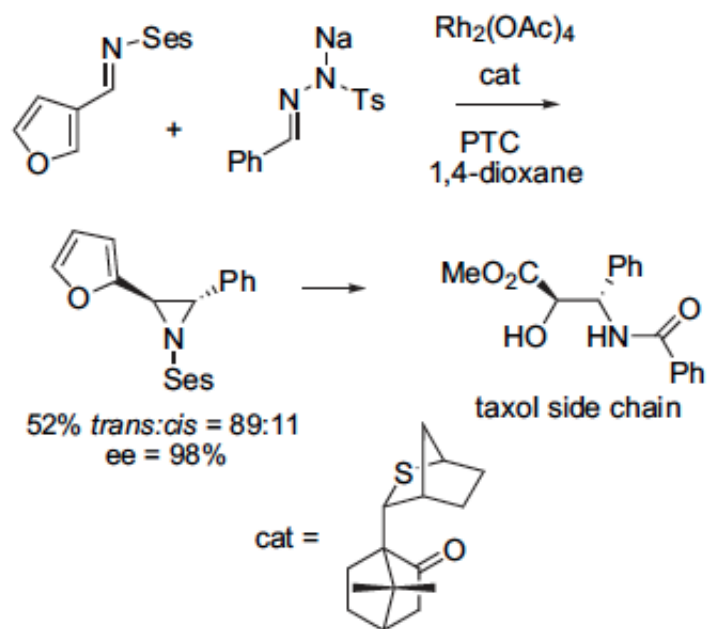


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# *Sulfur ylide-mediated methods*



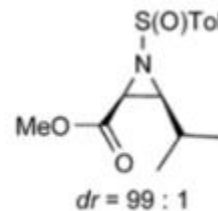
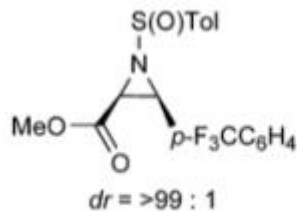
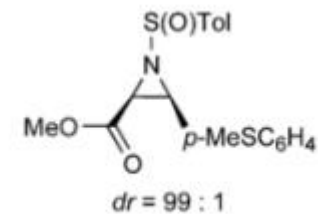
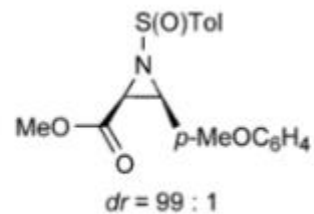
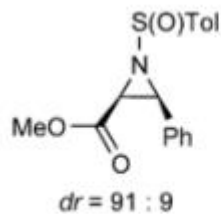
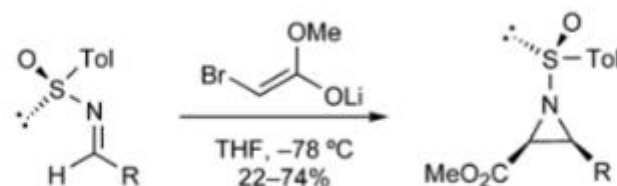
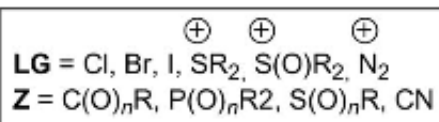
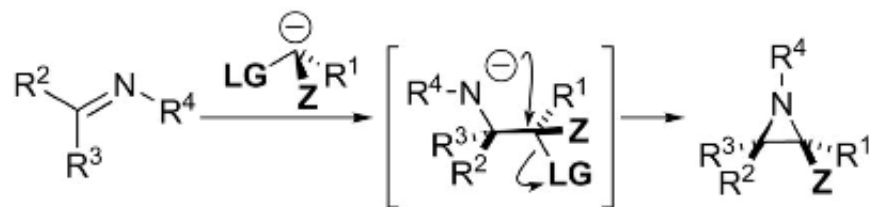
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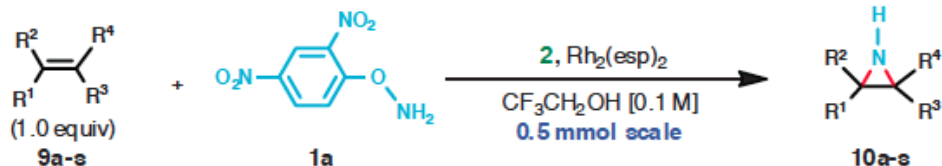
# Aza-Darzens Reaction



# *Conclusion*

- Aziridines leads to building blocks for heterocycle chemistry and natural products.
- The direct aziridination of olefins is more difficult than the corresponding epoxidation.
- Most of these methods rely either on the transfer of substituted nitrenes to the C=C bond of olefins or the transfer of substituted carbenes to the C=N bond of imines.
- Normally, the result is an aziridine bearing a strongly electron-withdrawing N-protecting group (e.g., Ts:para-toluenesulfonyl; Ns: para-nitrophenylsulfonyl).
- In addition, the high reactivity of N-protected nitrenes might give rise to nonproductive allylic C-H amination products, as well as the loss of stereospecificity.

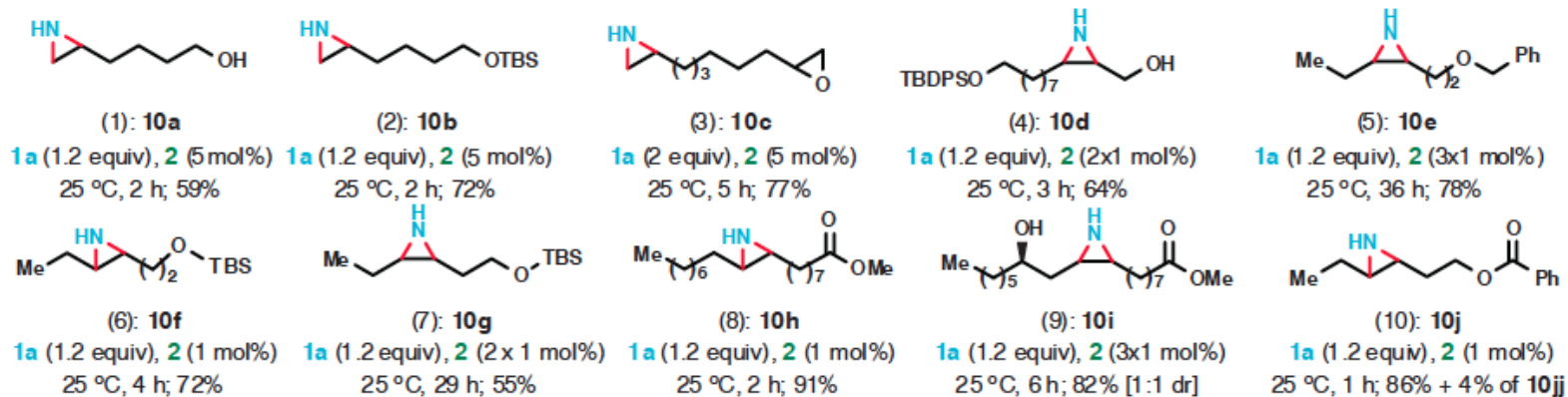
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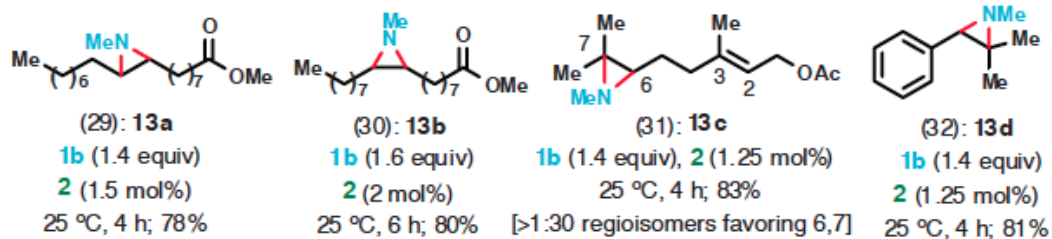
## Structure of N-H Aziridines

(Entry): Compound #; T (°C), t (h), Isolated Yield (%), Regio- and diastereoselectivity [ratios]

### N-H Aziridination of aliphatic mono-, di-, and tri-substituted olefins:



### B N-Me Aziridination of di- and tri-substituted aliphatic olefins and styrenes:

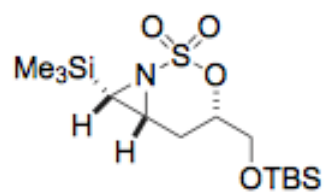
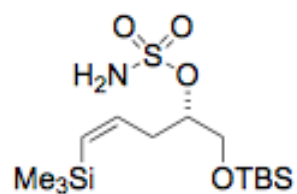
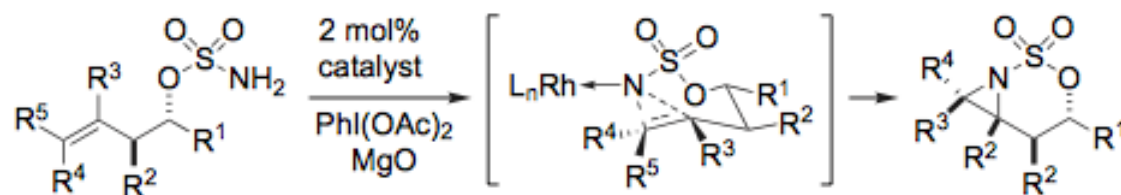




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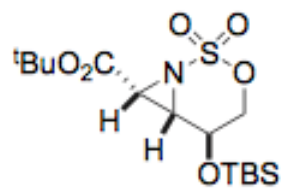
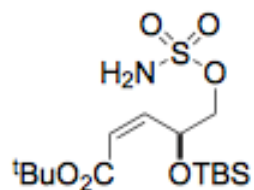


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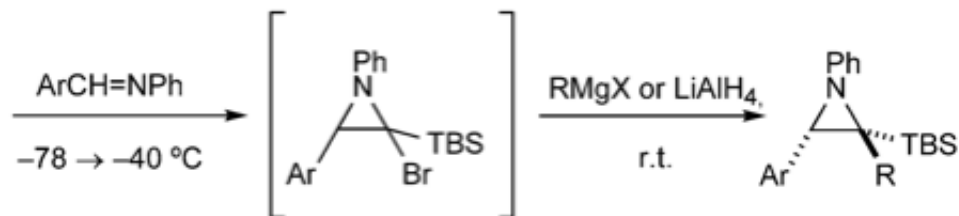
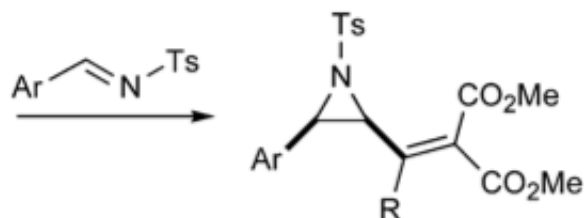
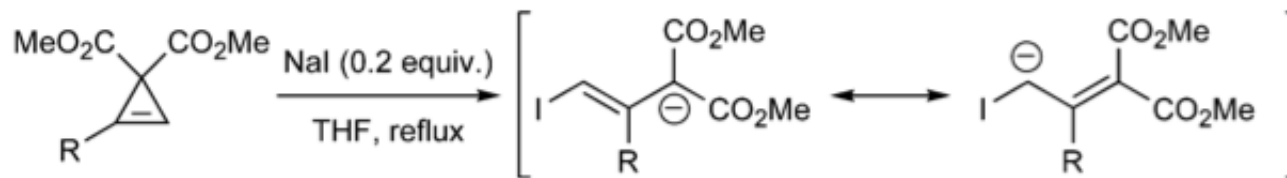
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