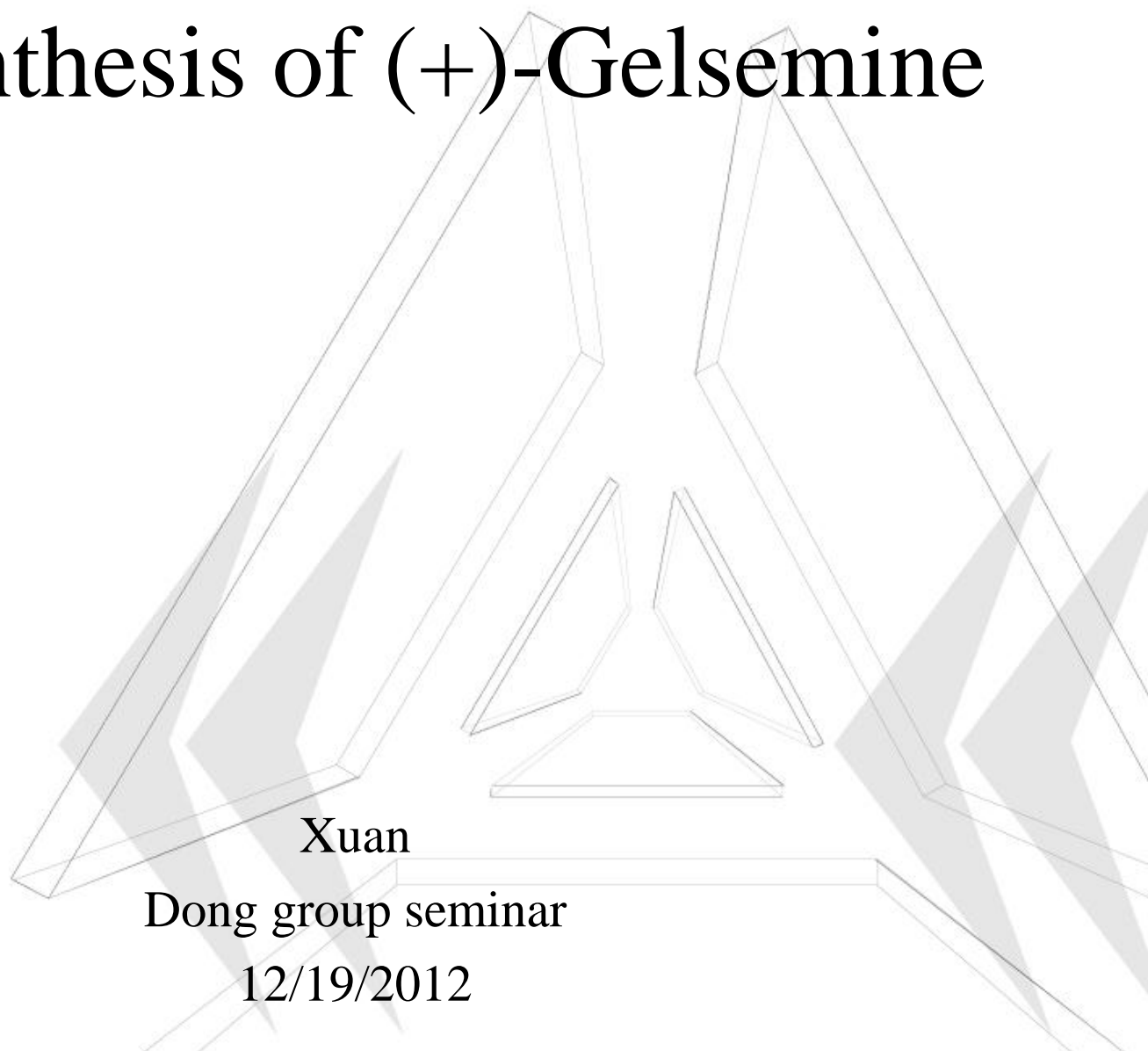


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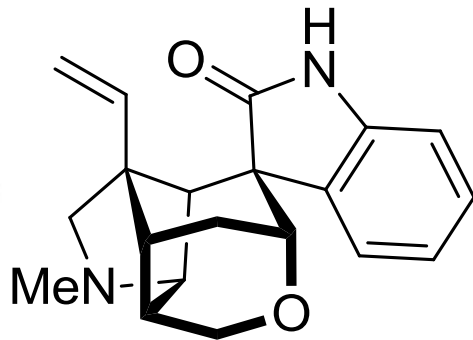


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Historical Background of Gelsemine

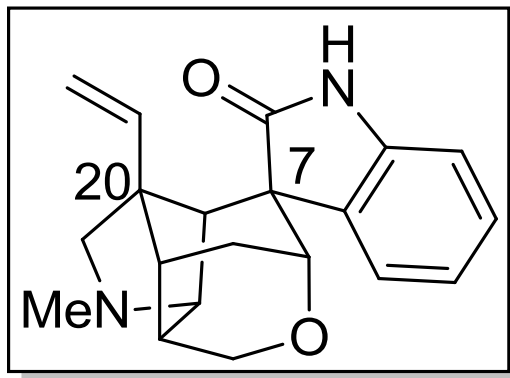


Gelsemine

- First detected the presence of alkaloids in extracts of *G. sempervirens* in 1870 by Wormley.
- 1876, Sonnenschein isolated gelsemine as the principal component of *G. sempervirens*
- The correct molecular formula of gelsemine, $C_{20}H_{22}N_2O_2$, was established in 1910 by Moore.

Wormley, T. G. *Am. J. Pharm.* **1870**, 42, 1-16; Sonnenschein, F. L. *Ber.* **1876**, 9, 1182-1186; Moore, C. W. *J. Chem. Soc.* **1910**, 97, 2223-2233.

Gelsemine: A Synthetic Challenge



Structural Challenge:

- Seven contiguous stereocenters
- [3.2.1] bicyclic system
- Spirooxindole system
- very little functionality

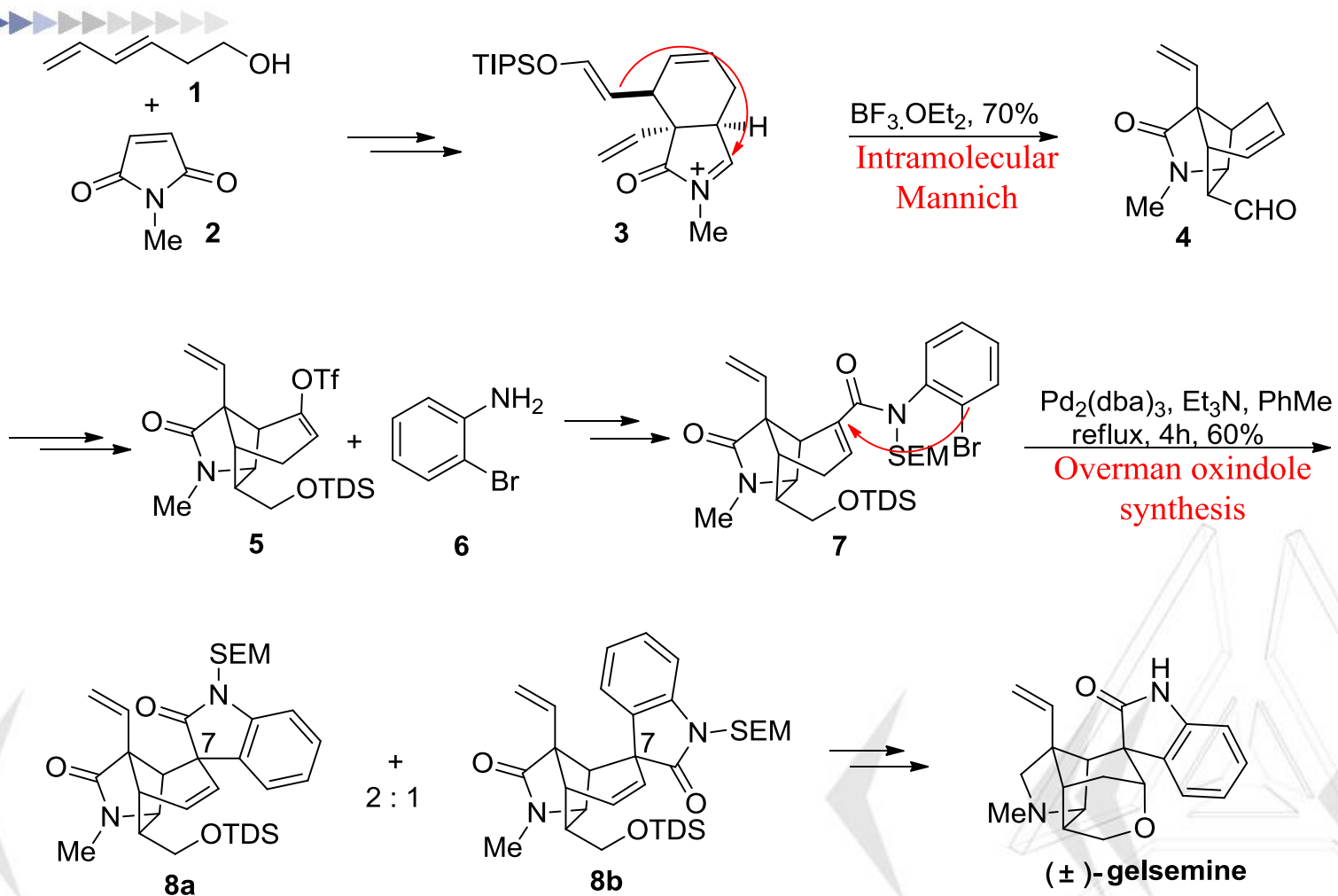
Structure determination:

Structure determined independently by the groups of Conroy and Wilson in 1959 via NMR and X-ray crystallography.

Synthetic Interest:

- Racemic total syntheses:
 - Speckamp, W. N. (1994)
 - Johnson, A. P. (1994)
 - Fukuyama, T. (1996)
 - Hart, D. J. (1997)
 - Overman (1999)
 - Danishefsky (2002)
- Enantioselective total synthesis:
 - Fukuyama (2000)

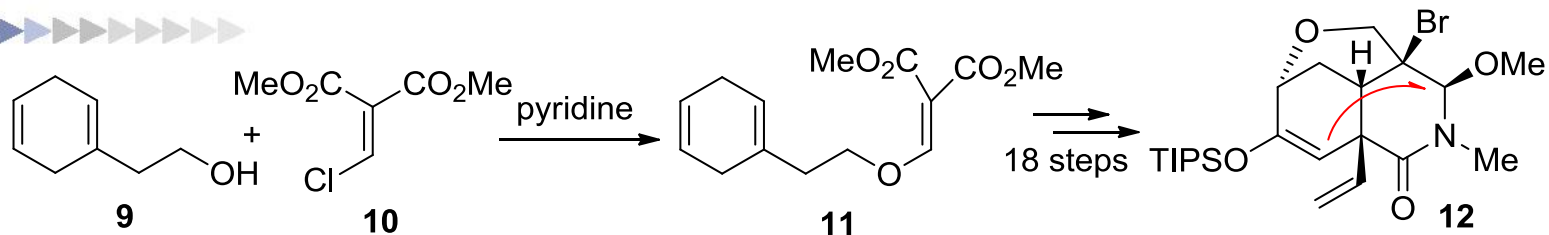
Speckamp and Hiemstra's Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Gelsemine



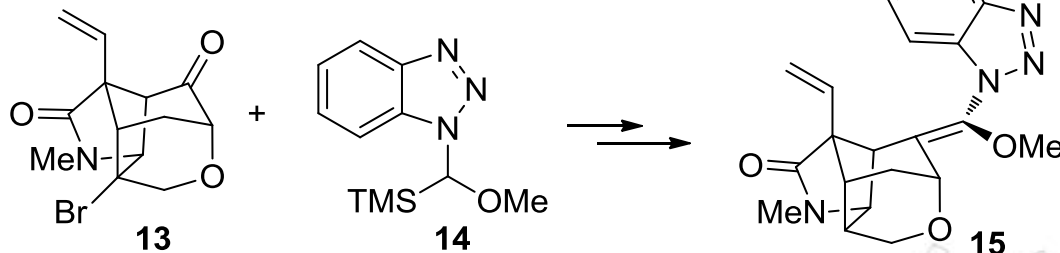
19 steps, 0.83% overall yield

Speckamp et al, *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1994**, 767

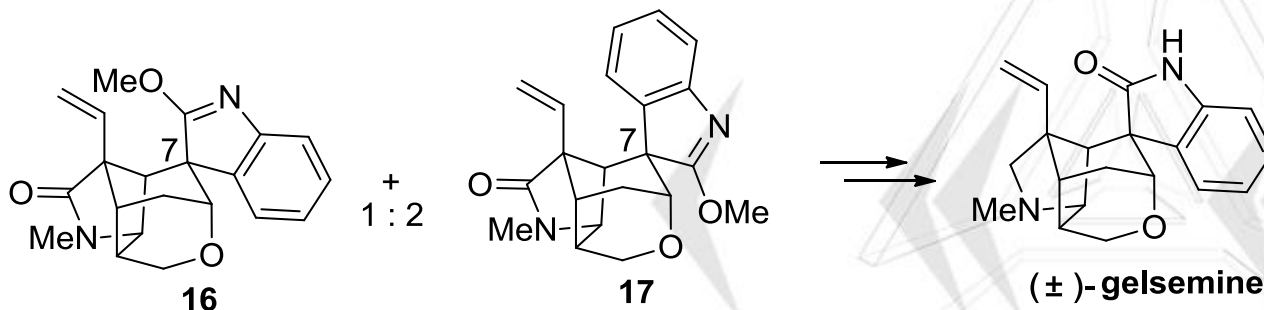
Johnson's Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Gelsemine



TFA, reflux, 74%
**Intramolecular
Mannich cyclization**



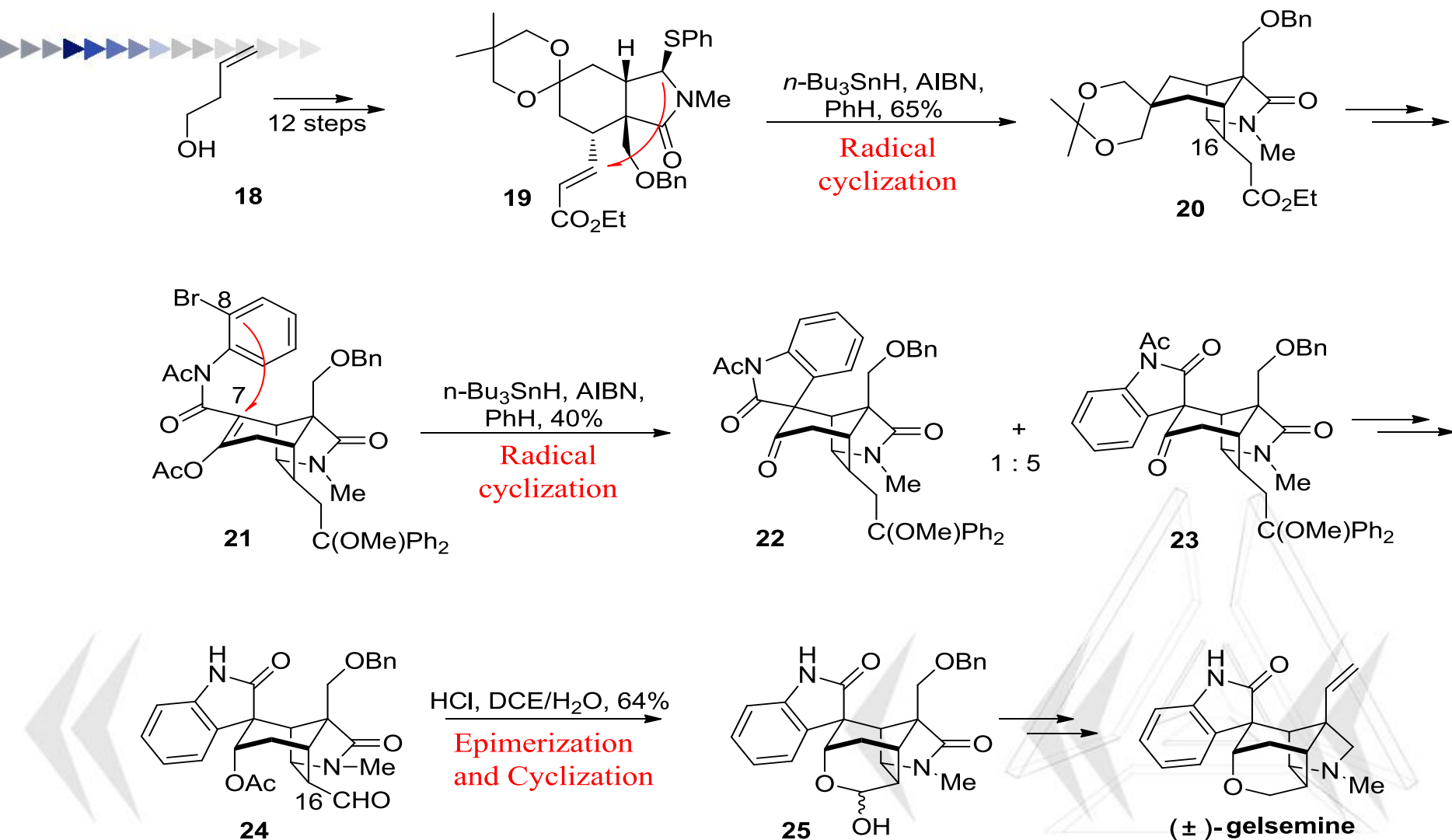
$h\nu$, 36%
**Oxindole
synthesis**



29 steps, 0.58% overall yield

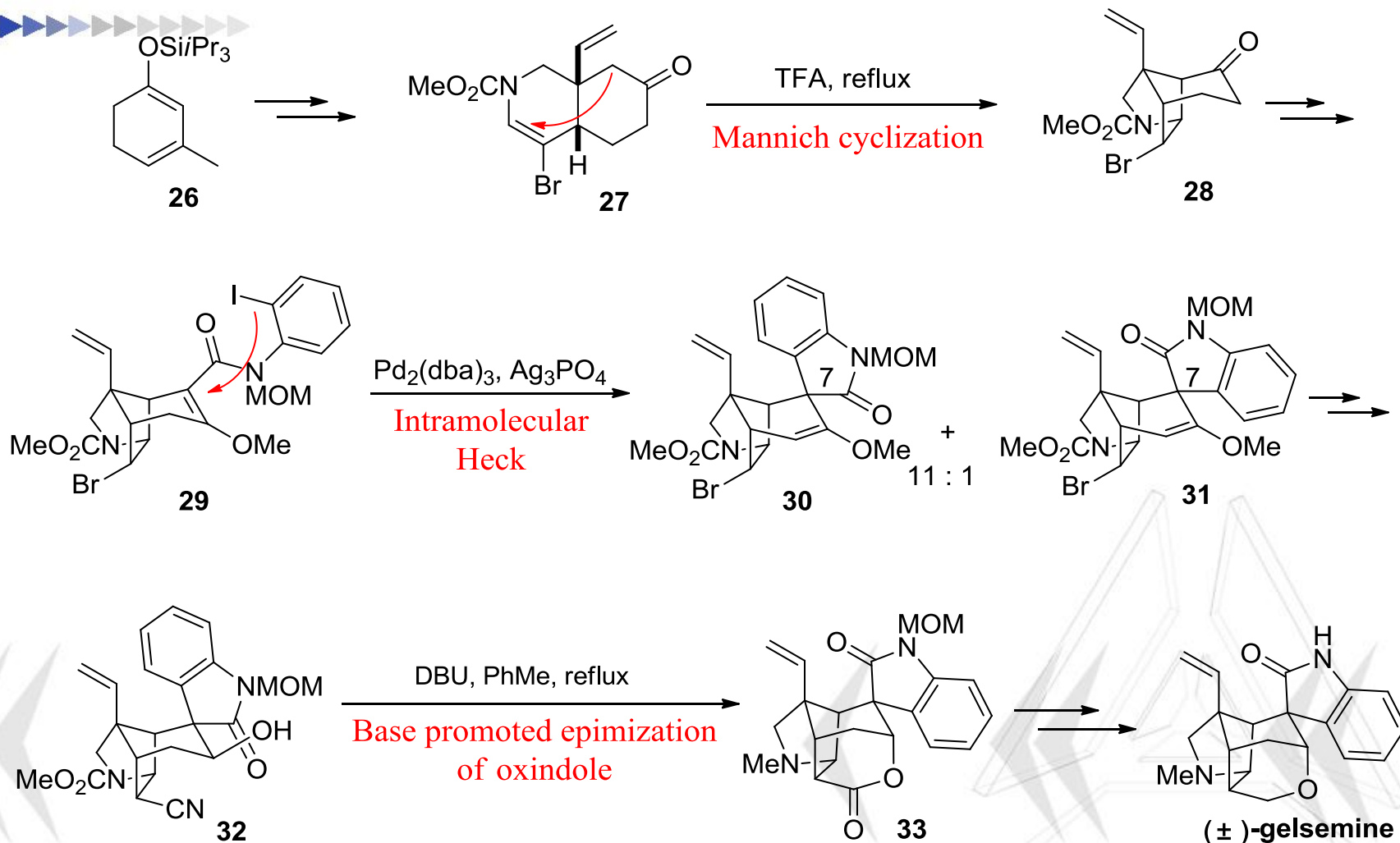
Johnson, A. P. *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1994**, 763

Hart's Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Gelsemine



23 steps, 0.25% overall yield
Hart, D. J et al. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1997**, *119*, 6226

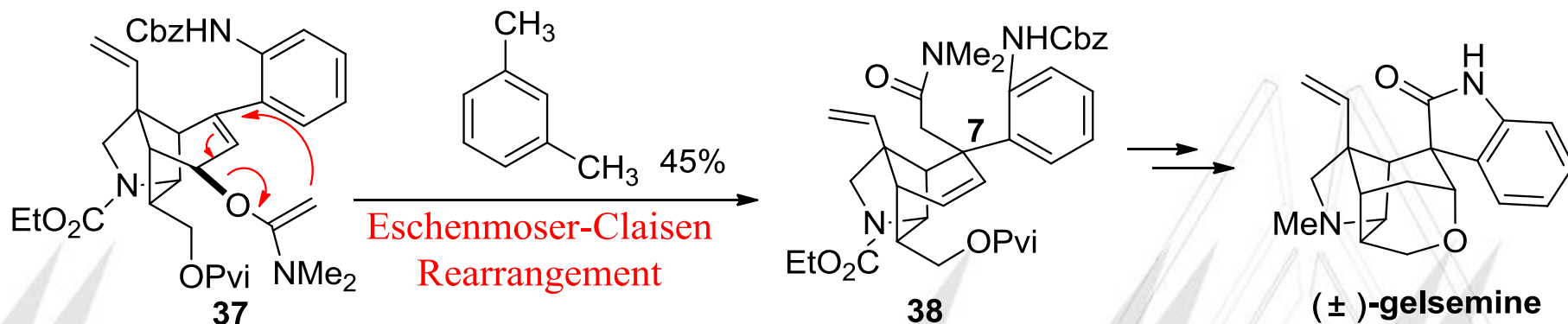
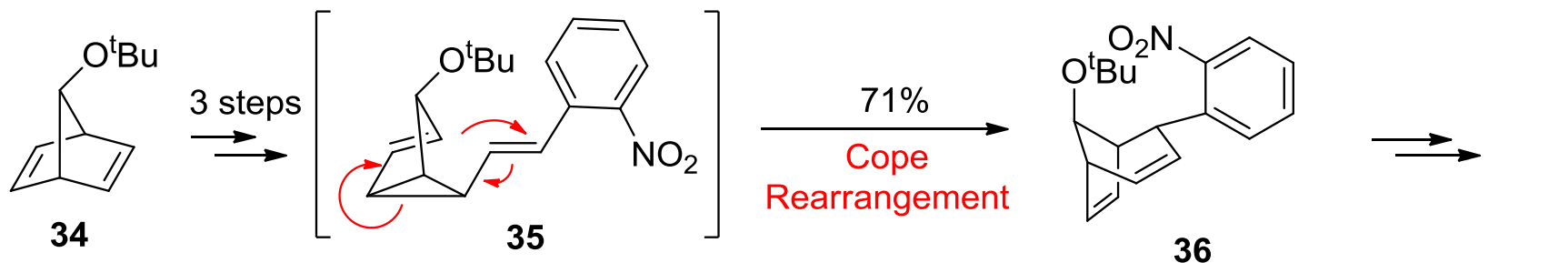
Overman's Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Gelsemine



26 steps, 1.2% overall yield

Overman, L. E et al. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **1999**, 38, 2934

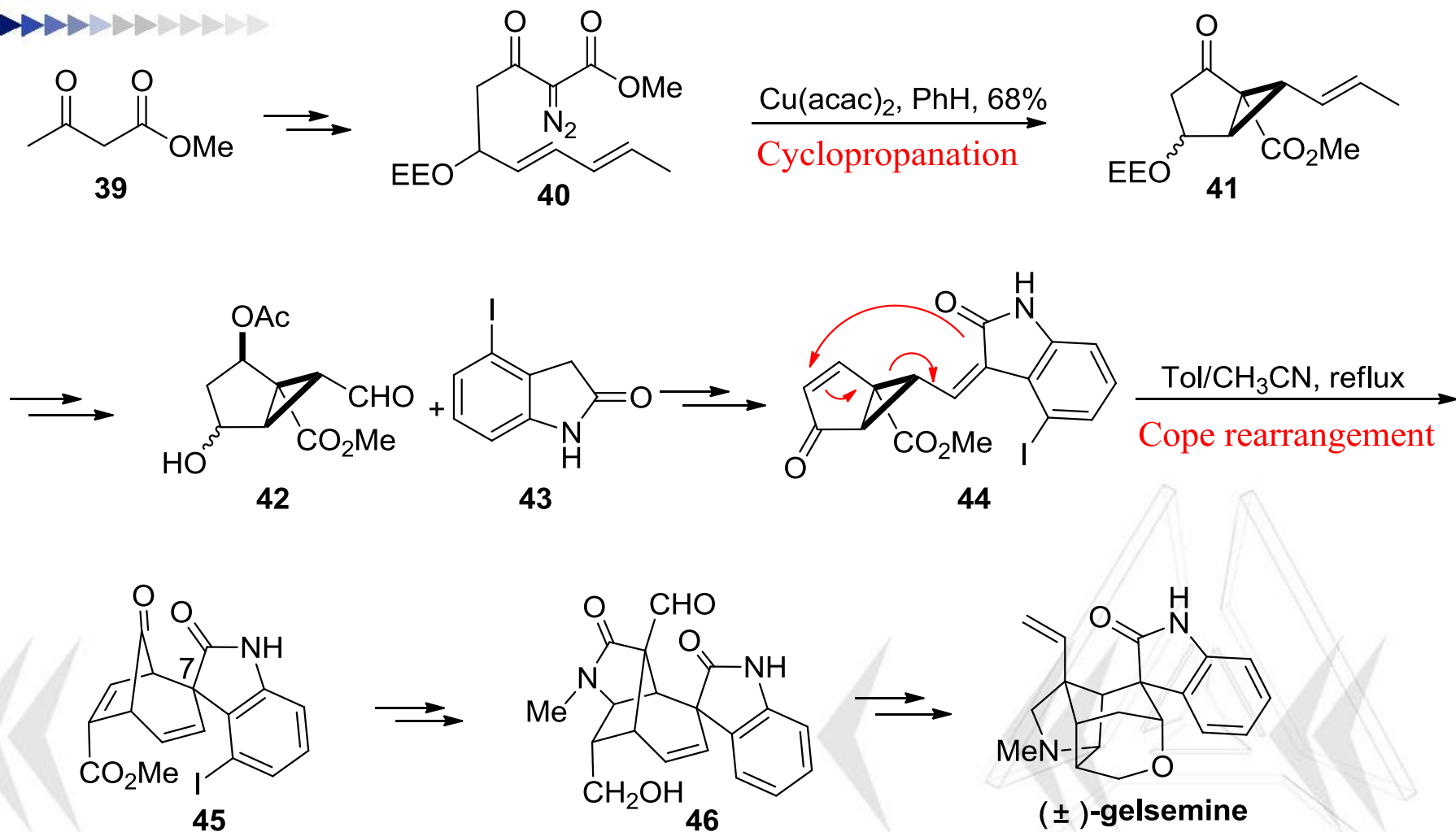
Danishefsky's Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Gelsemine



36 steps, 0.02% overall yield

Danishefsky, S. J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2002**, *124*, 9812

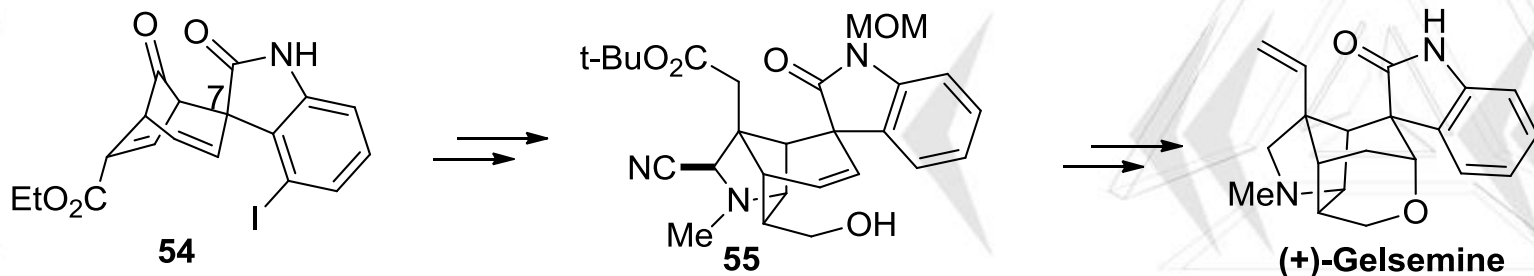
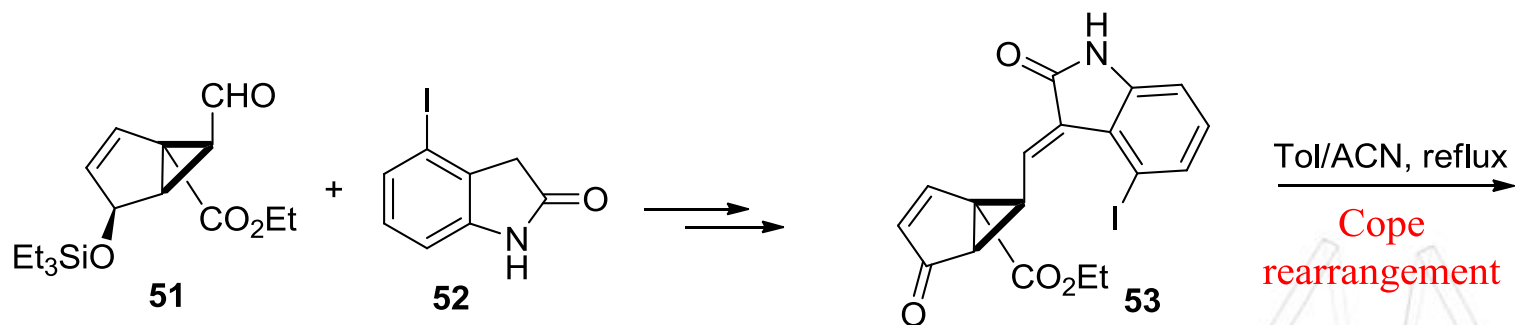
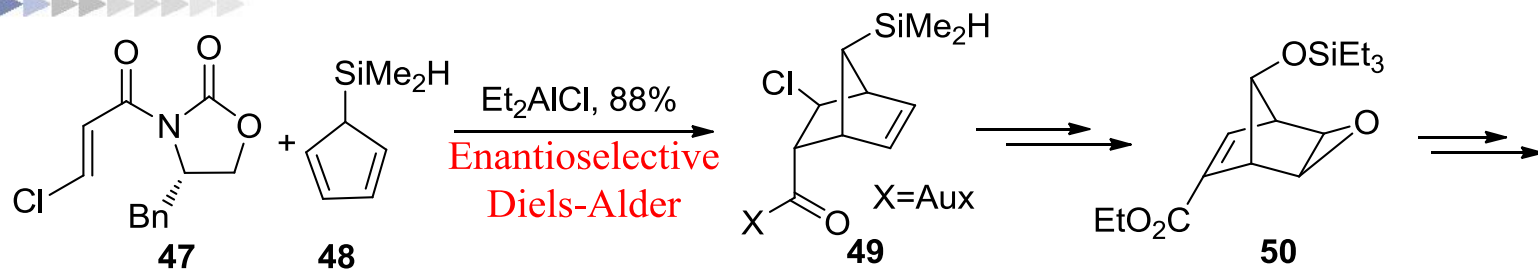
Fukuyama's Total Synthesis of (\pm)-Gelsemine



32 steps, 0.67% overall yield

T. Fukuyama, G. Liu, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1996**, *118*, 7426–7427

Fukuyama's Enantioselective Total Synthesis of (+)-Gelsemine



31 steps, 0.86% overall yield

Fukuyama, T et al. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed.* **2000**, *39*, 4073

Why we synthesis Gelsemine ?

	Bicyclo-[3.2.1] skeleton	Spirooxindole structure	Tetrahydropyran ring	Pyrrolidine ring	Yield
Speckamp 1994	Intramolecular Mannich	Intramolecular Heck	Intramolecular oxymercuration		19 steps 0.83%
Johnson 1994	Intramolecular Mannich	Radical cyclization		Intramolecular Mannich	29 steps 0.58%
Fukuyama 1996	Cope rearrangement	Cope rearrangement	Intramolecular oxymercuration		32 steps 0.67%
Hart 1997	Radical cyclization	Radical cyclization	Intramolecular Hemiacetal formation		23 steps 0.25%
Overman 1999	Intramolecular Mannich	Intramolecular Heck	Intramolecular lactone formation	Intramolecular Mannich	26 steps 1.2%
Danishefsky 2002	Cope rearrangement	[3,3]-Claisen rearrangement	Intramolecular oxymercuration	Oxetane ring opening	36 steps 0.019%
Fukuyama 2000	Cope rearrangement	Cope rearrangement	Intramolecular oxymercuration	Intramolecular Michael	31 steps 0.86%

Key strategy in synthesis of Gelsemine

Organocatalysis: a new stream in organic synthesis

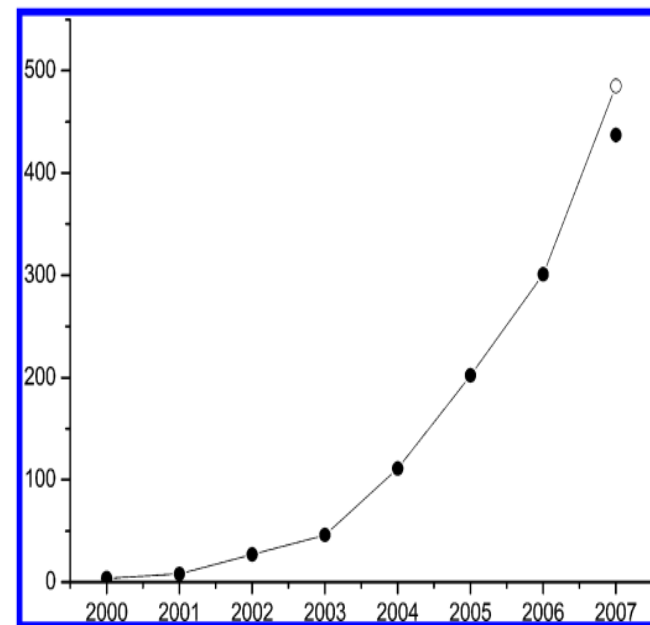
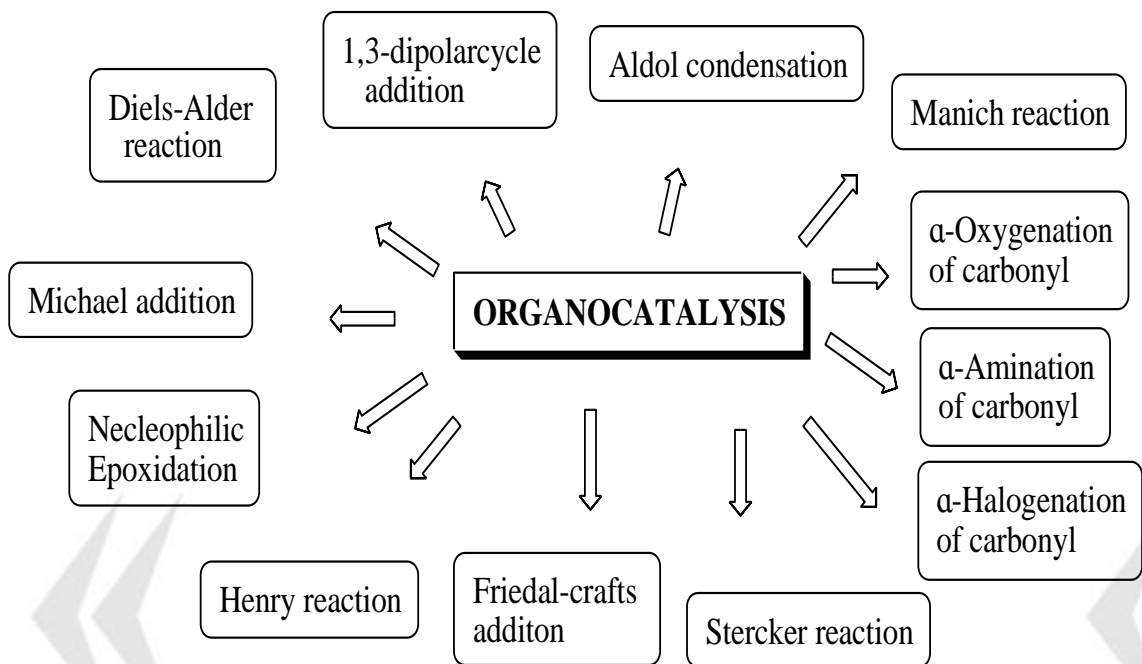
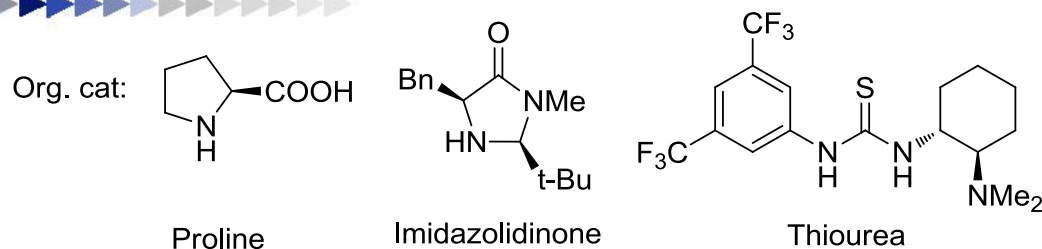
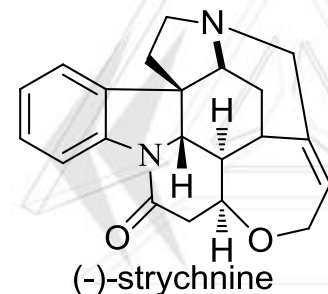
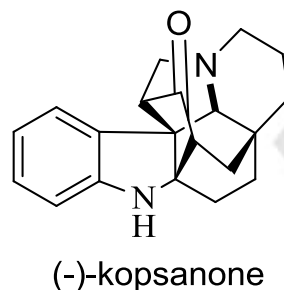
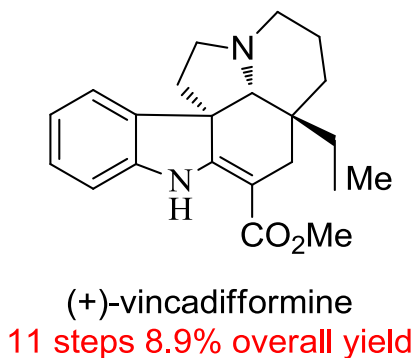
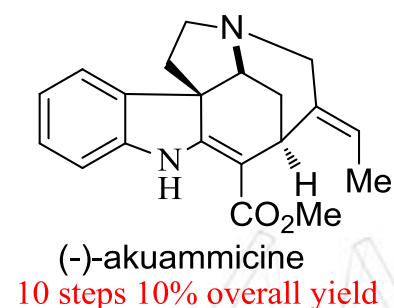
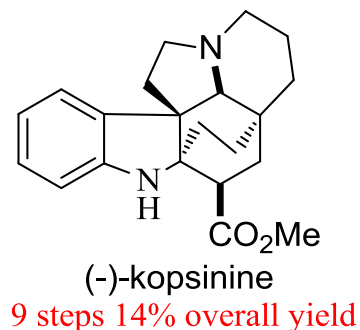
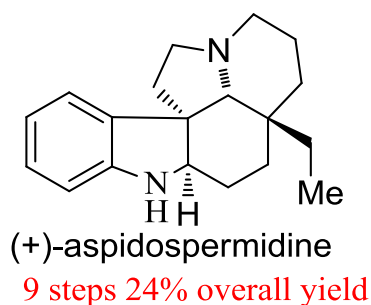
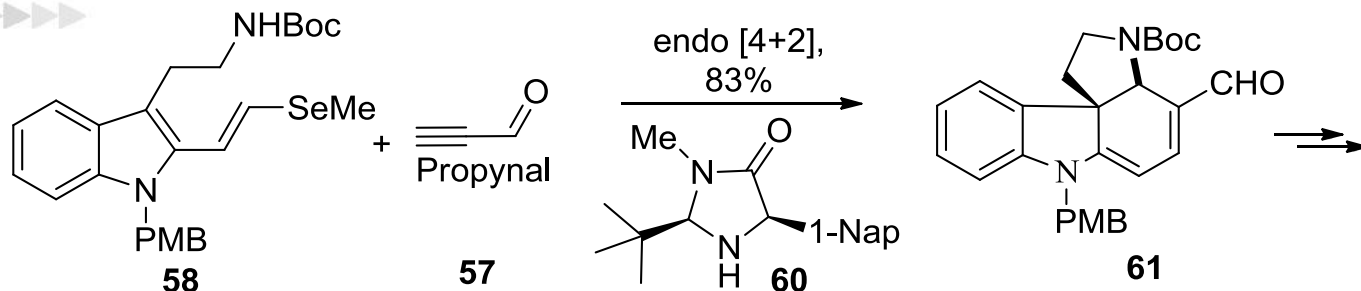


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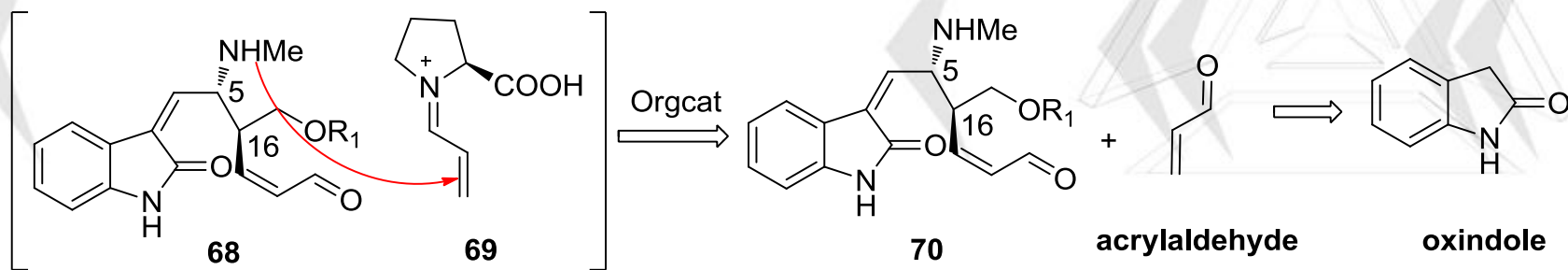
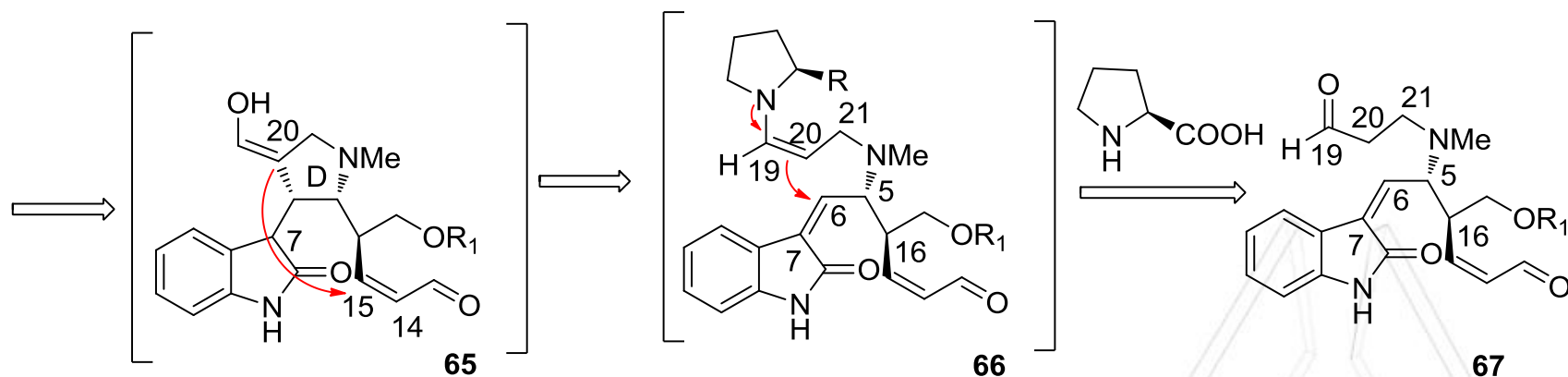
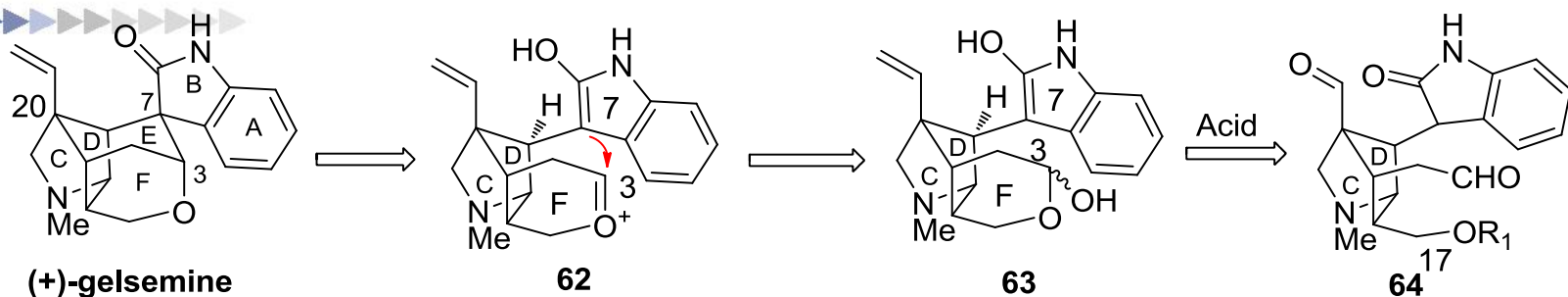
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Synthesis of natural products by means of organo catalysis

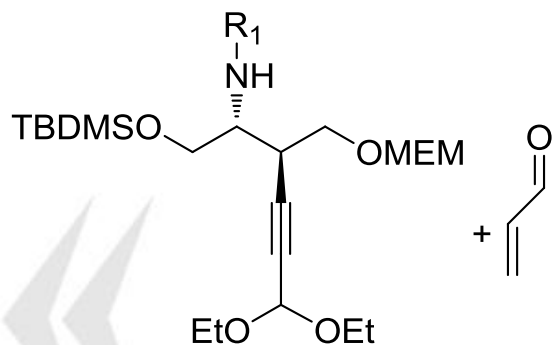
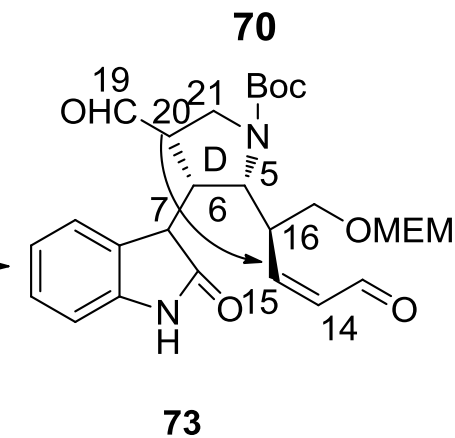
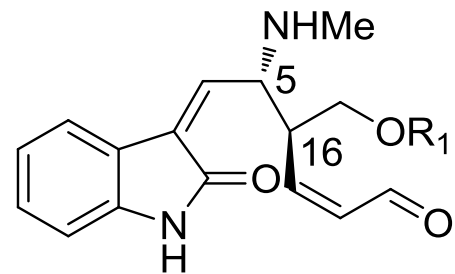
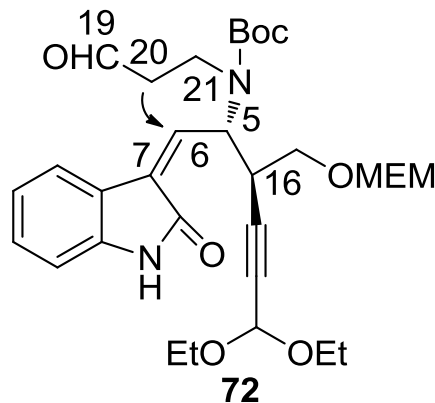
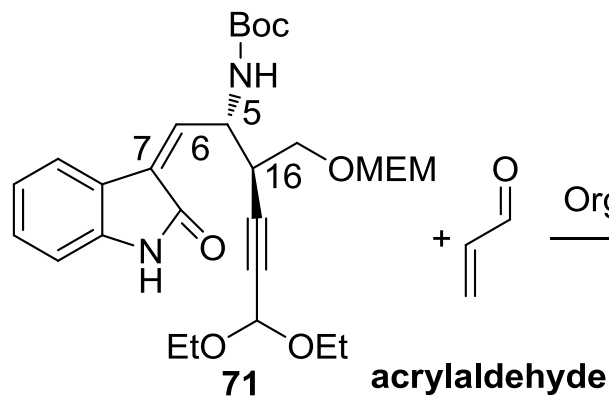


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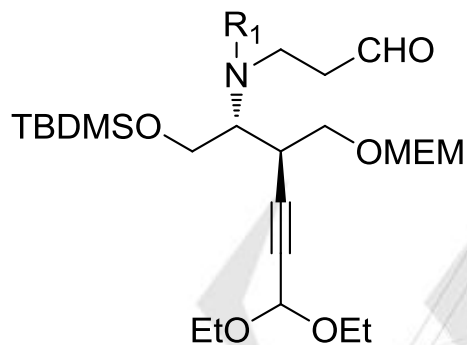
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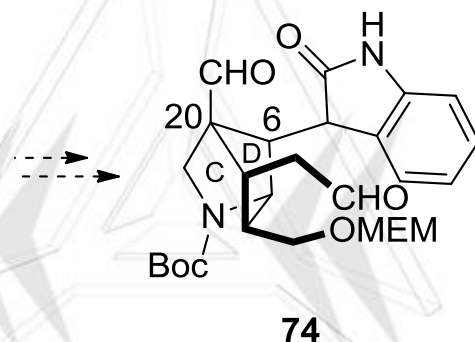
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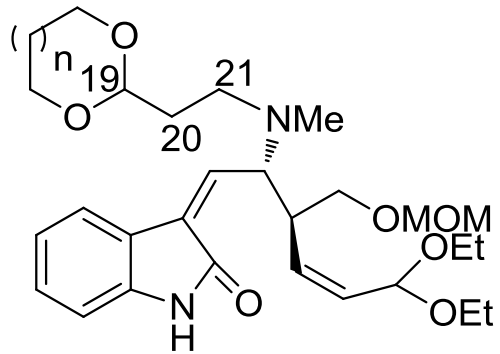
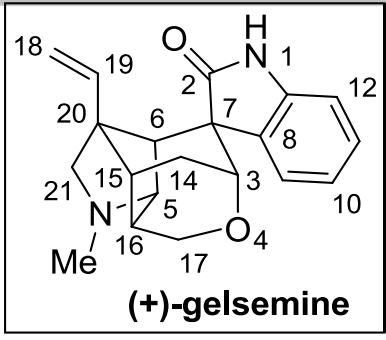
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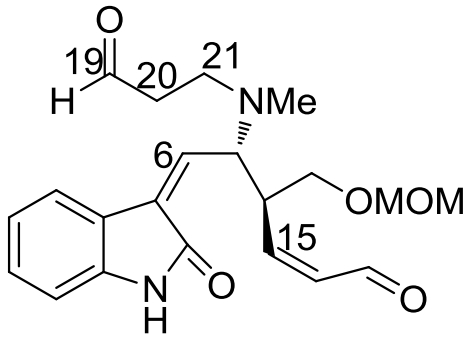
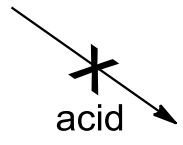
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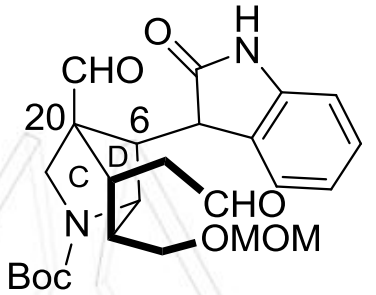


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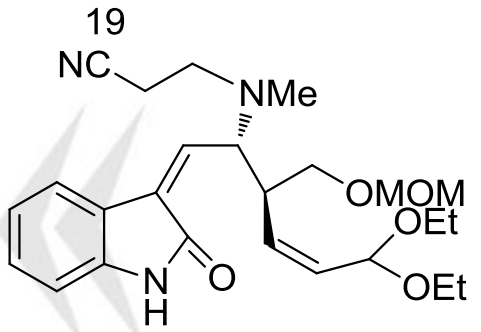


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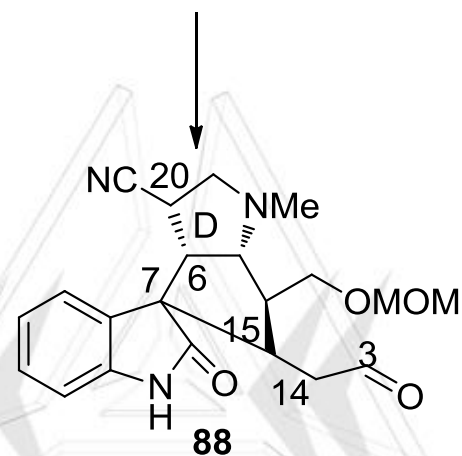
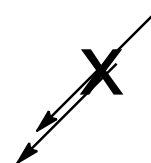
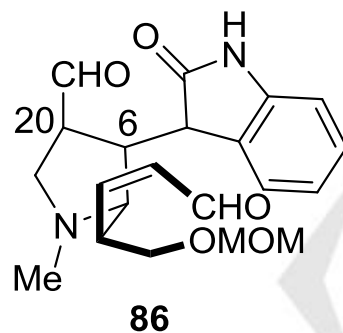
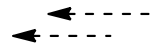
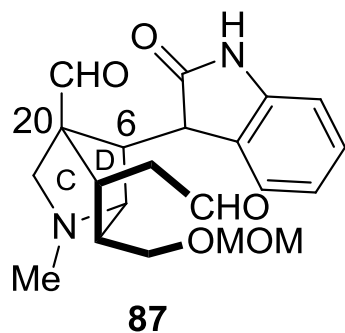
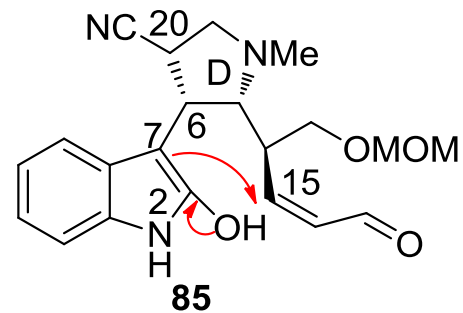
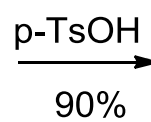
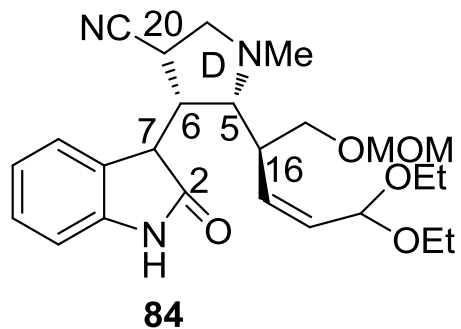
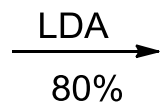
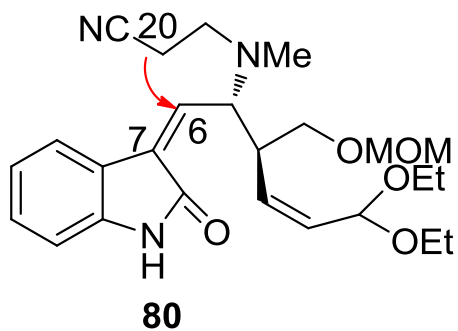
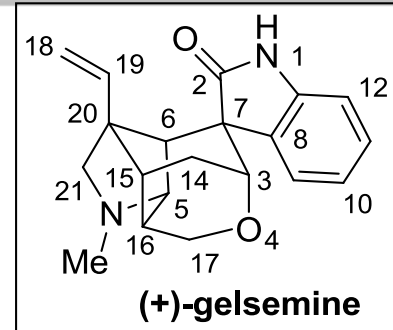
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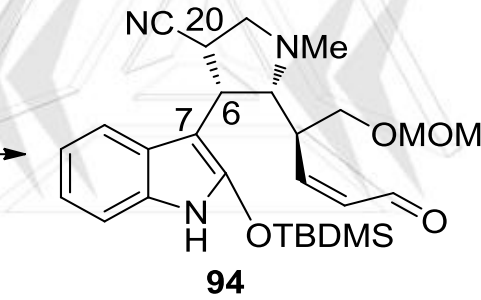
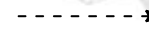
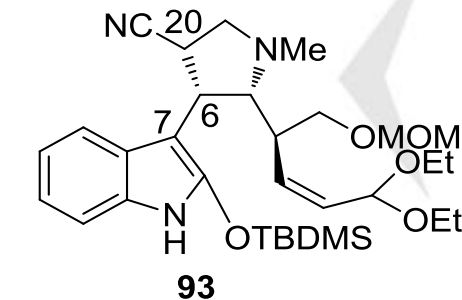
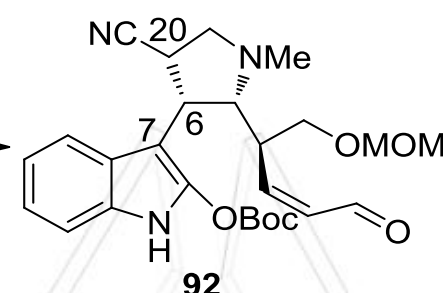
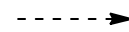
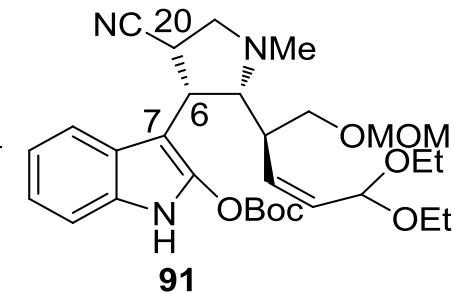
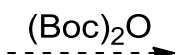
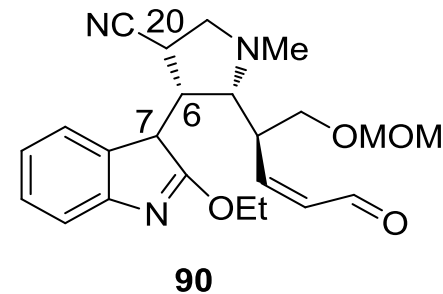
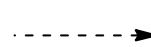
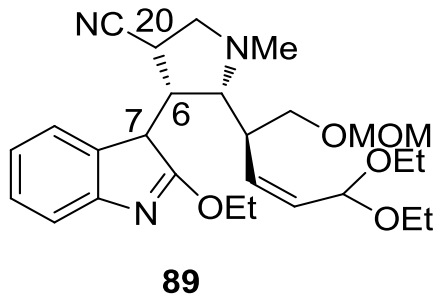
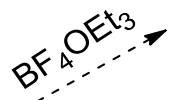
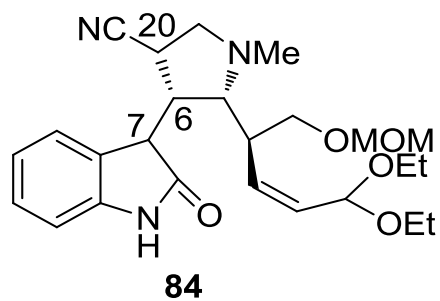
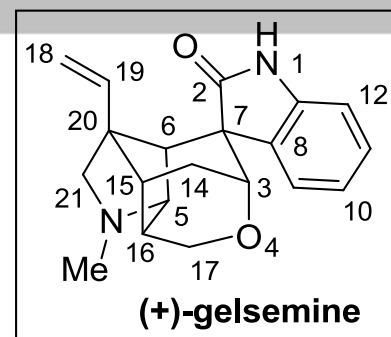
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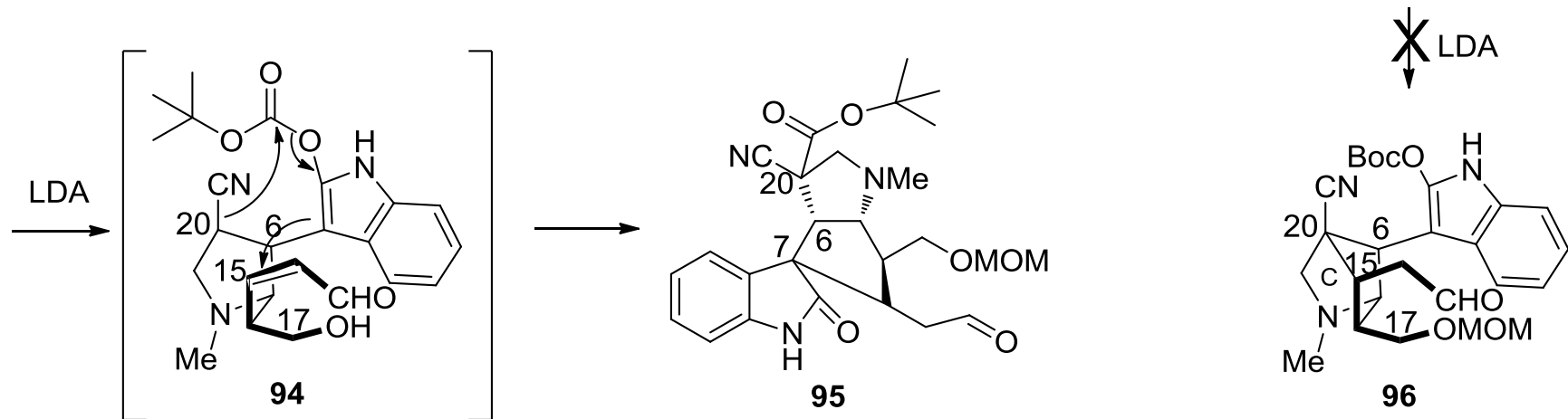
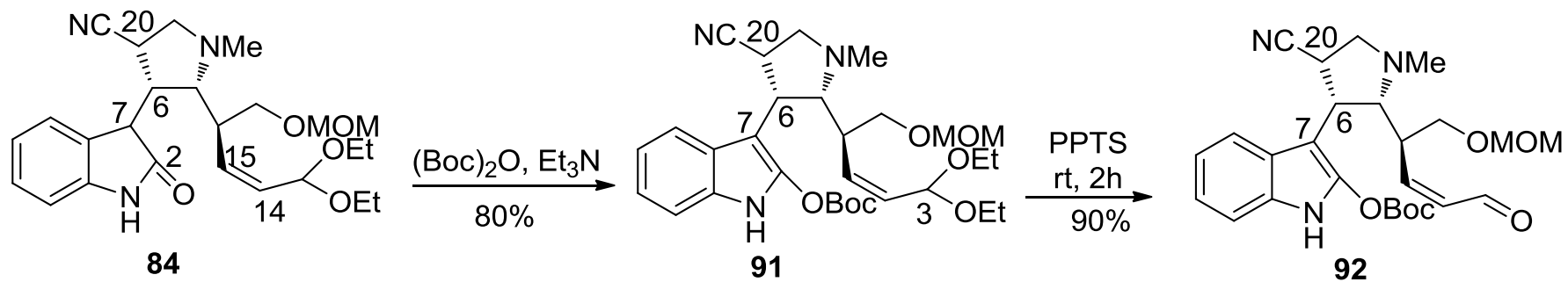
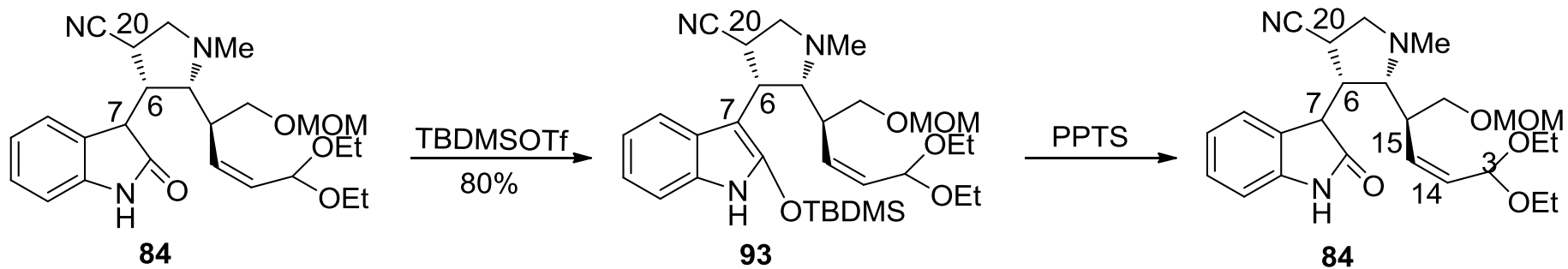


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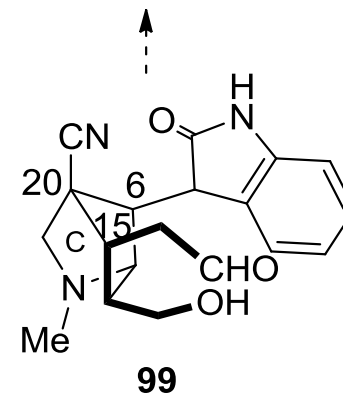
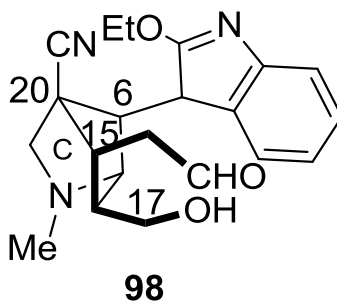
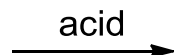
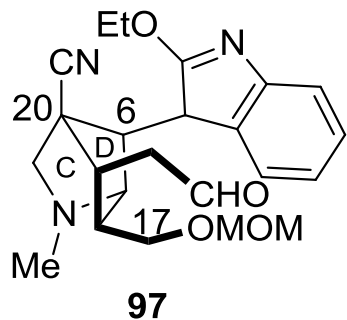
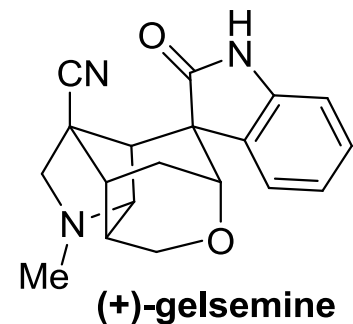
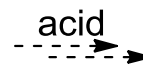
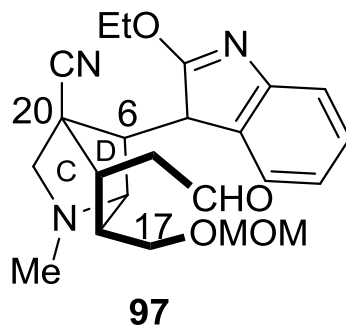
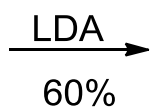
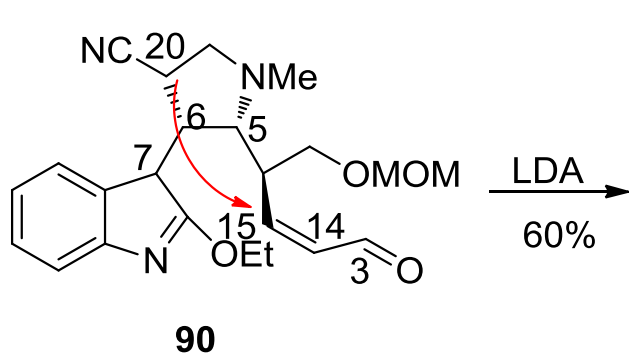
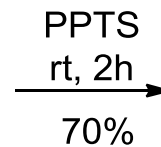
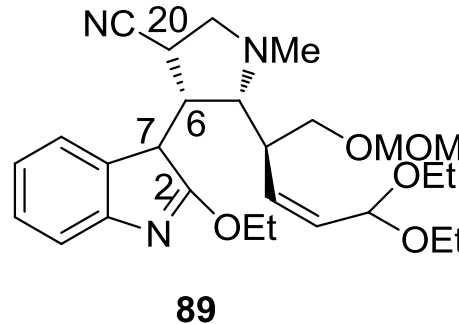
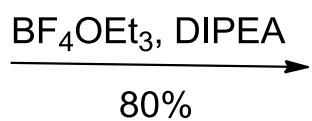
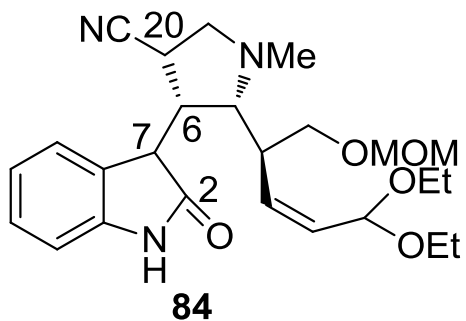
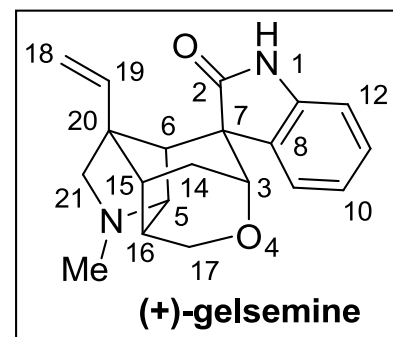


Total Synthesis of (+)-Gelsemine

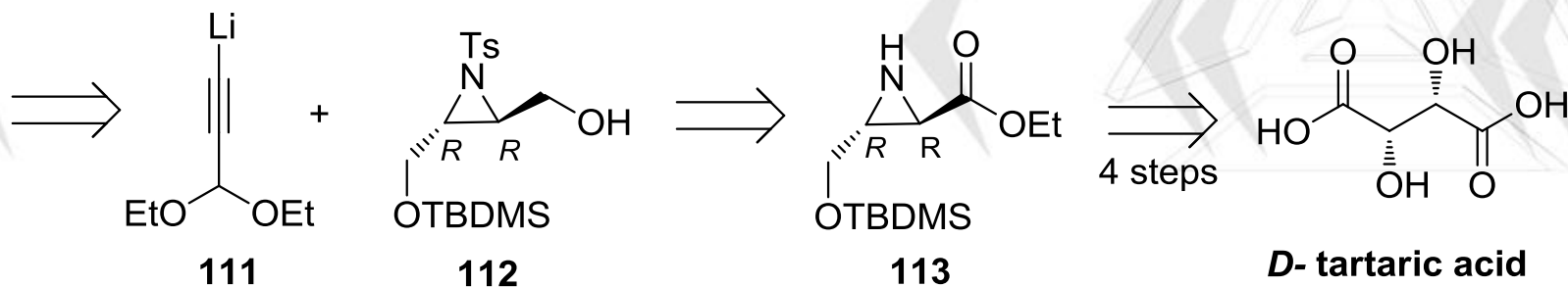
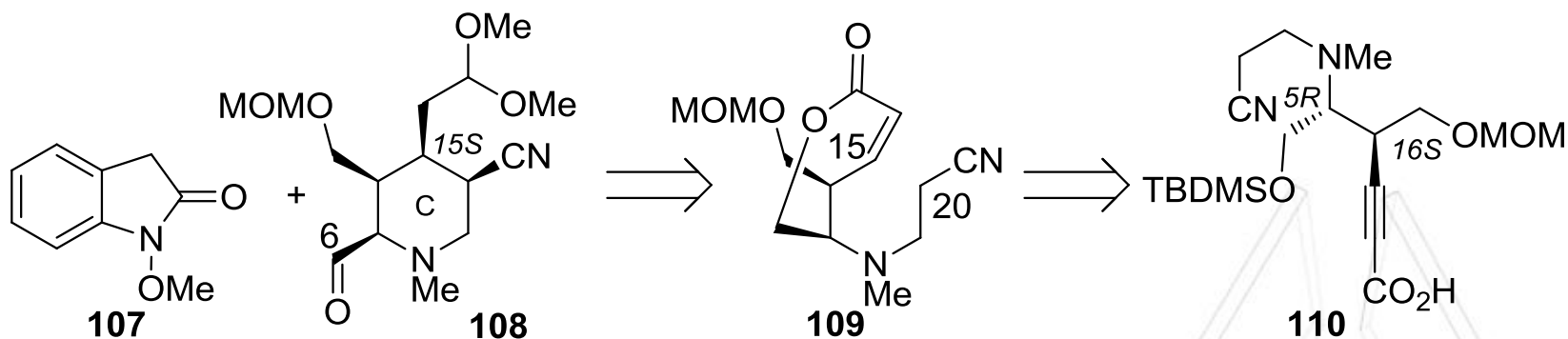
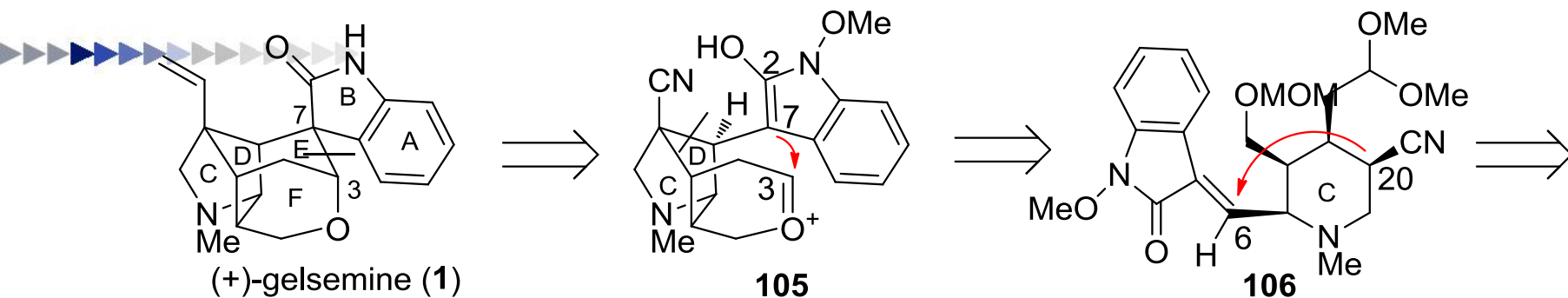




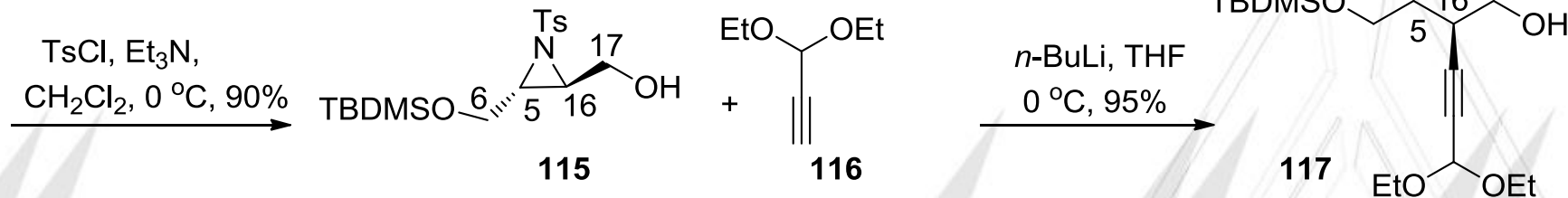
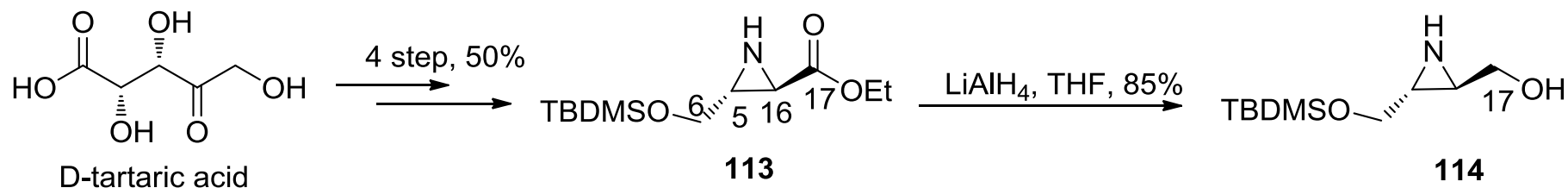
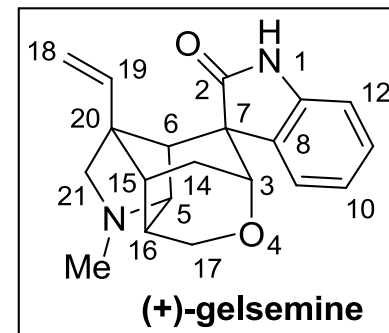
Total Synthesis of (+)-Gelsemine



Retro-synthetic Analysis of (+)-Gelsemine



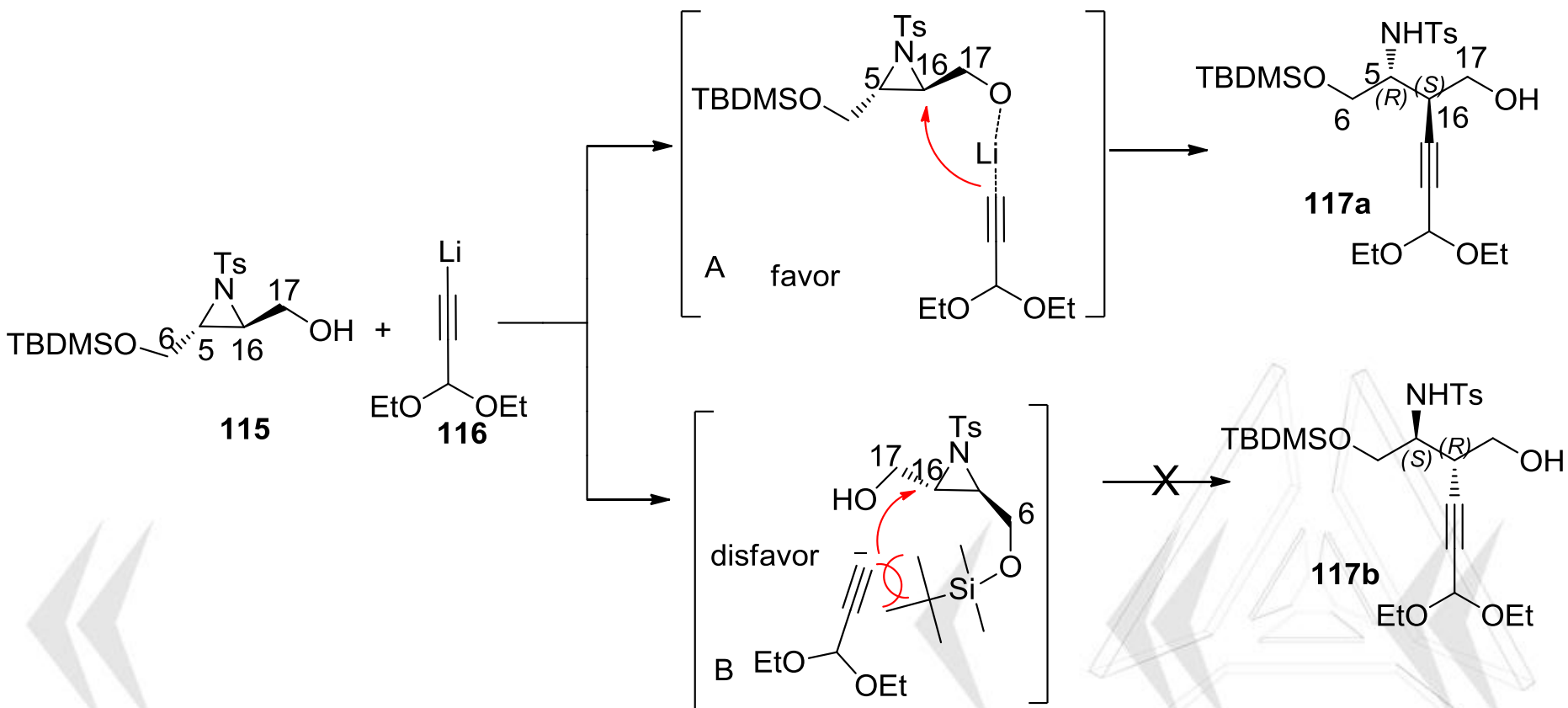
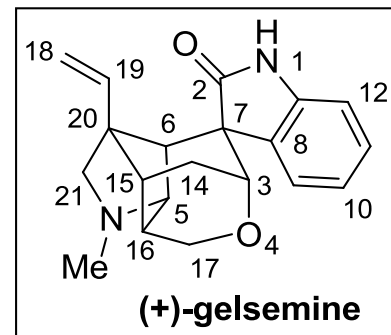
Construction the C5 and C16 stereocenter of gelsemine



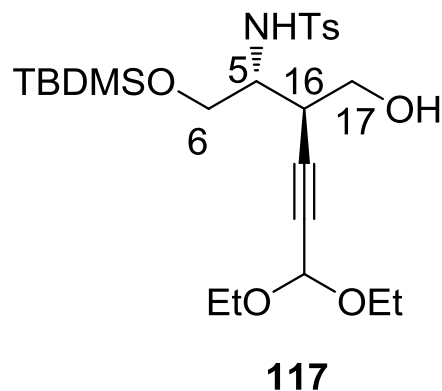
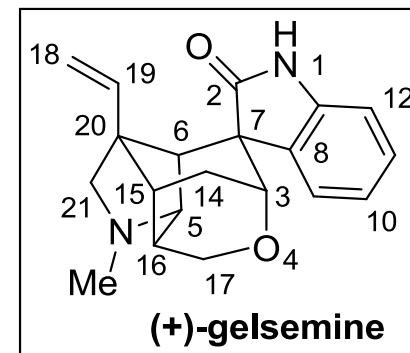
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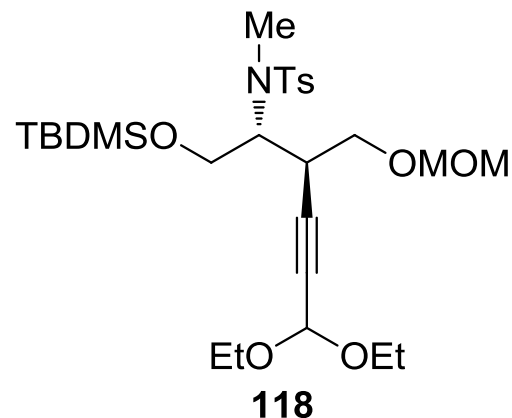
Region- and stereoselectivity addition of **116** to **115**



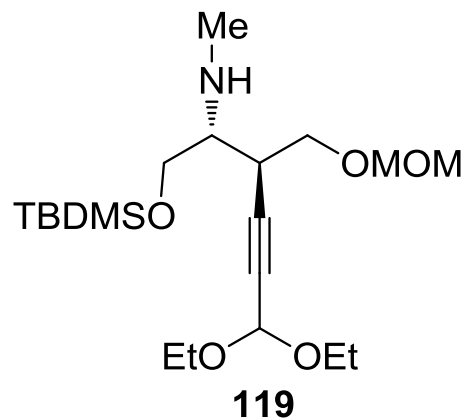
Total Synthesis of (+)-Gelsemine



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2) MOMCl, NaH, 95%

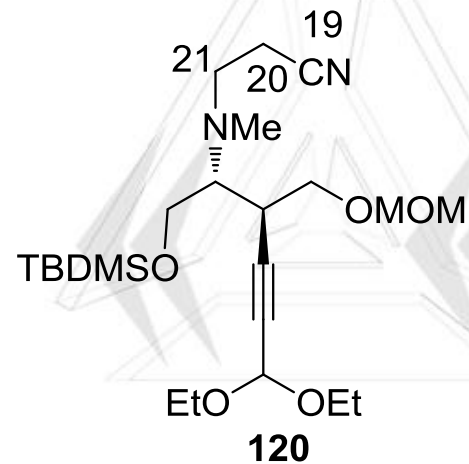


Mg, CH₃OH, 90%

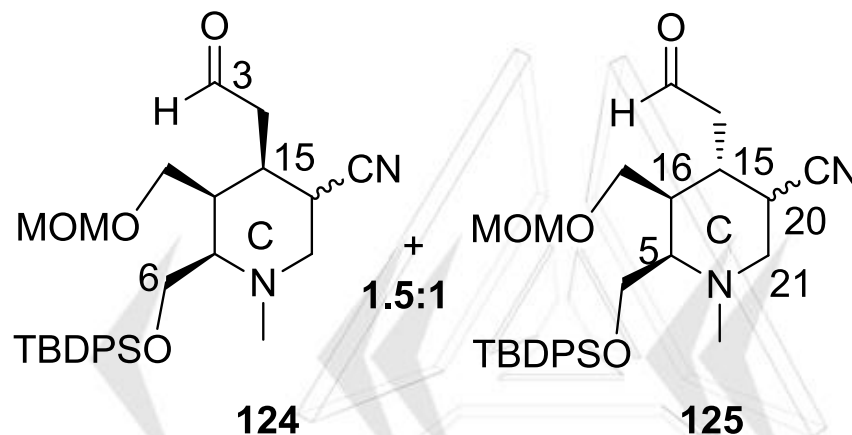
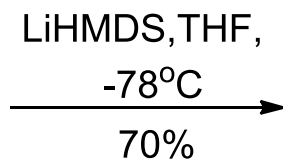
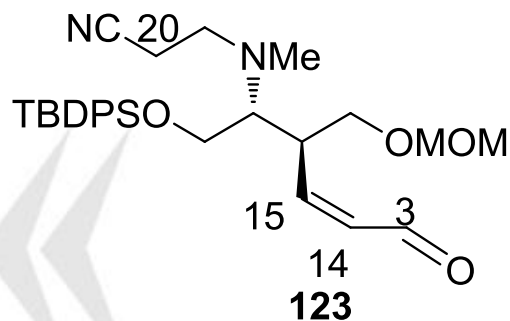
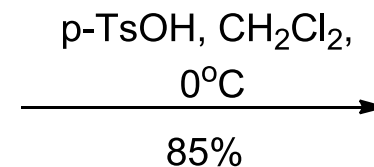
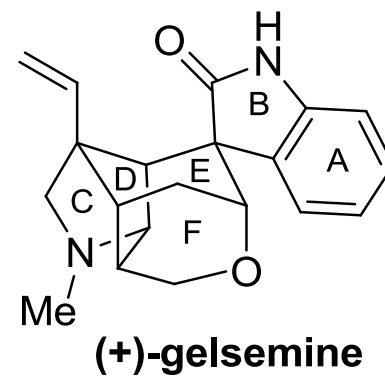
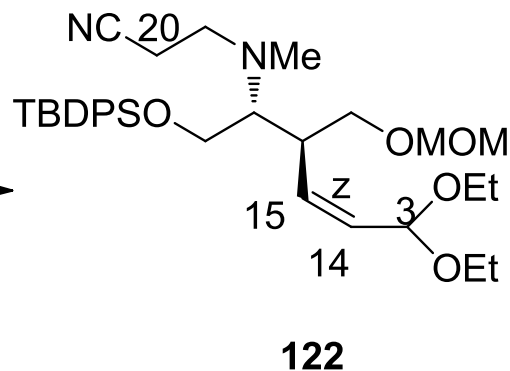
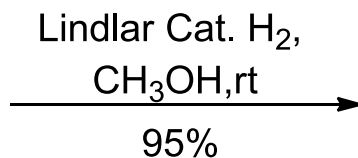
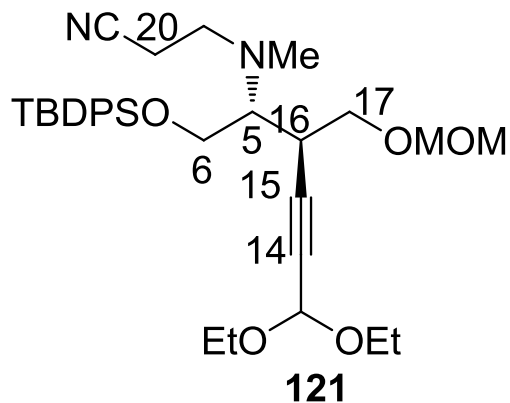


acrylonitrile

CH₃CN, reflux
95%

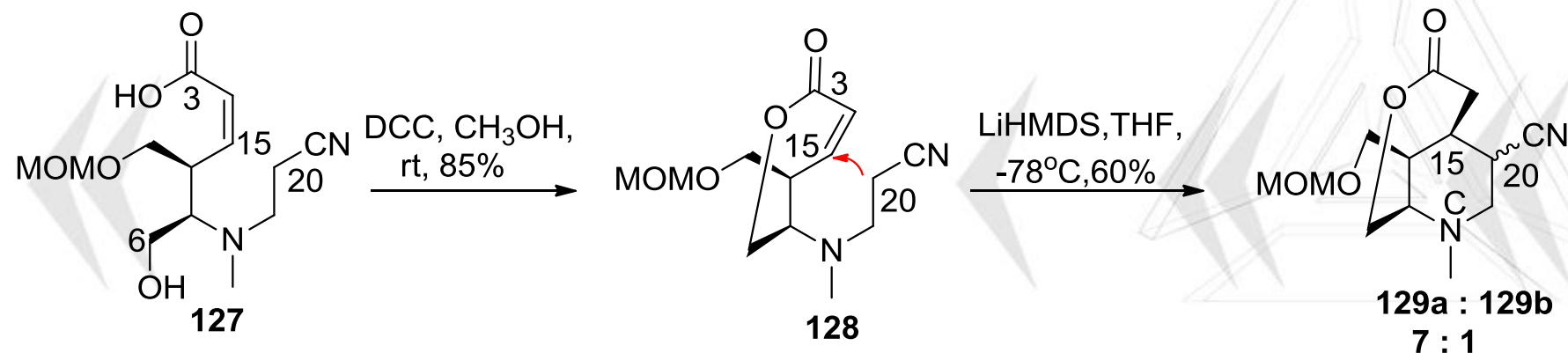
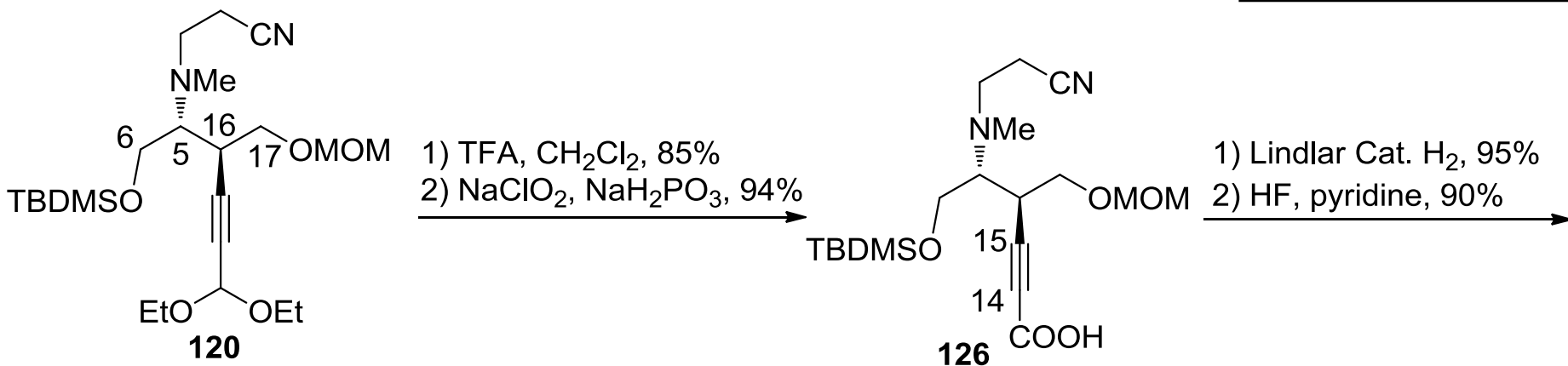
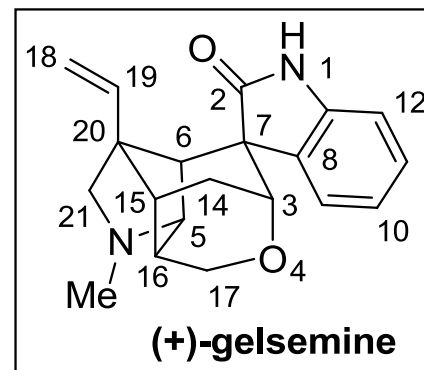


Construction the C-ring of gelsemine



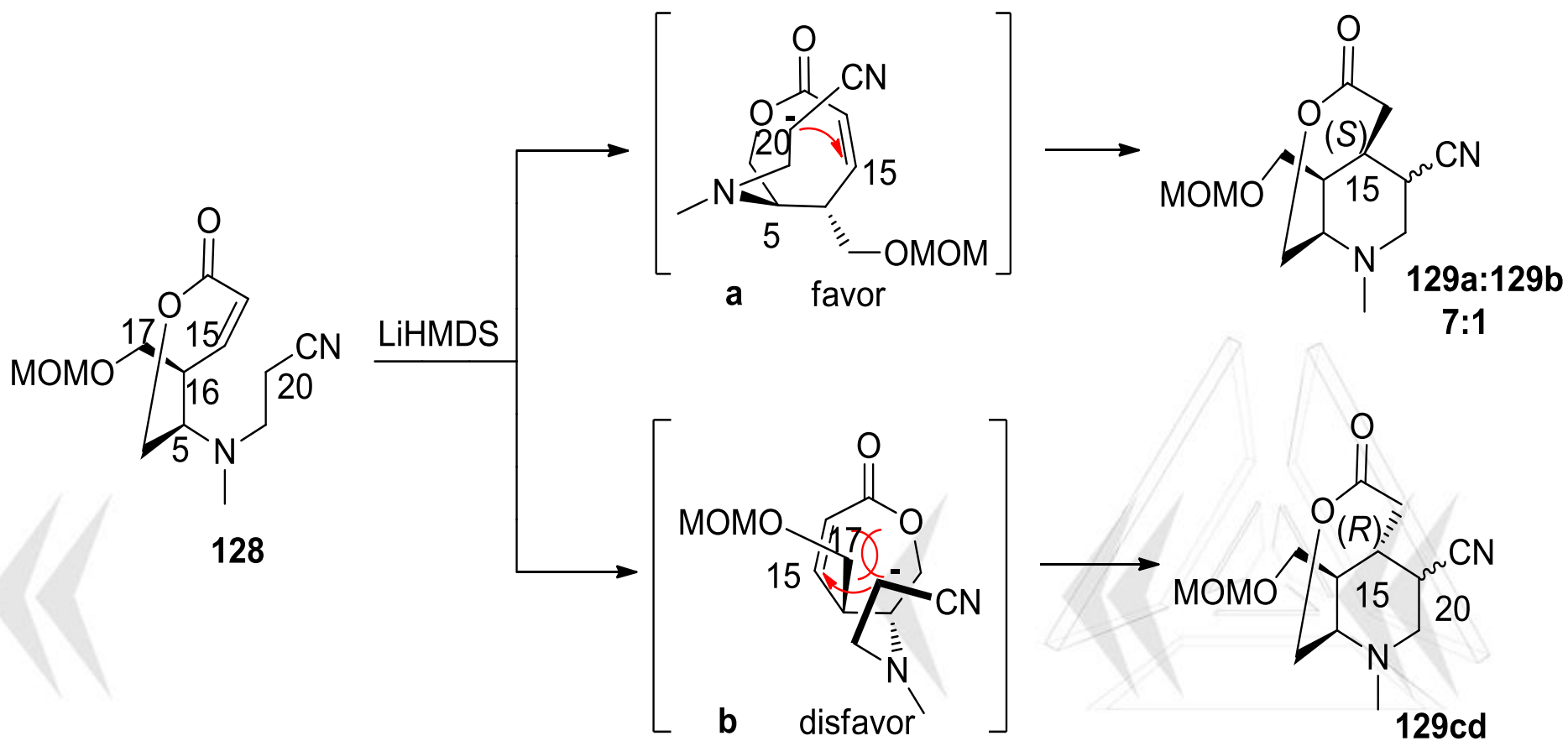
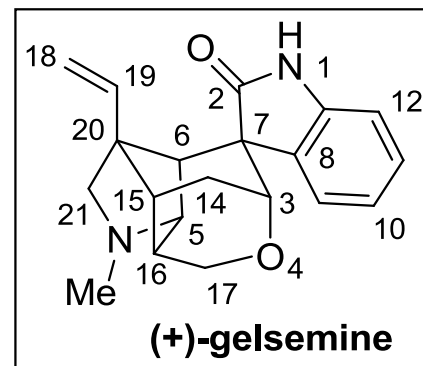
Stereocontrolled synthesis

C15 stereocenter

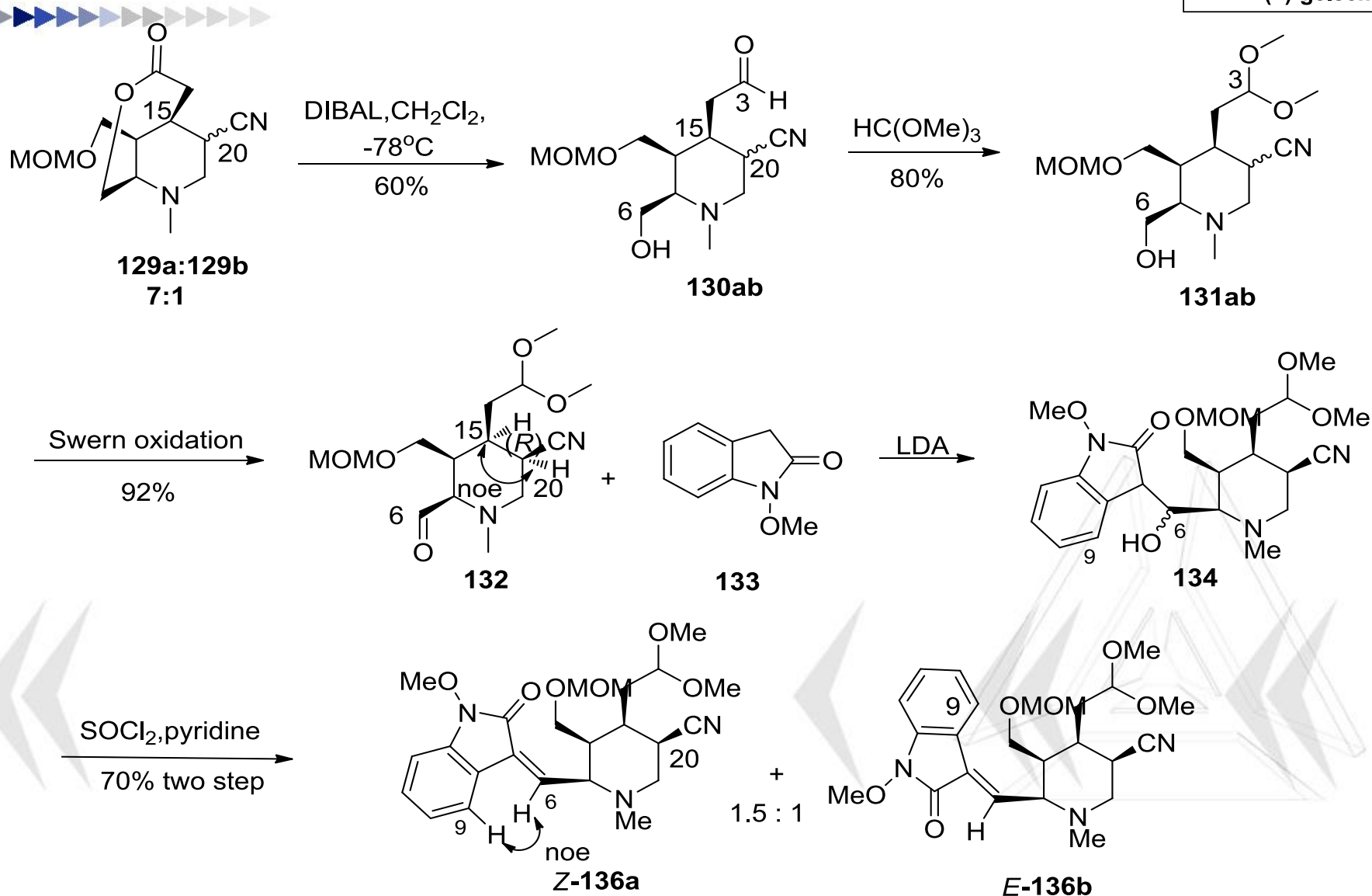
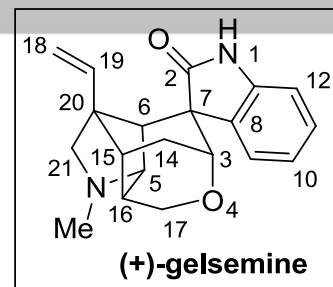


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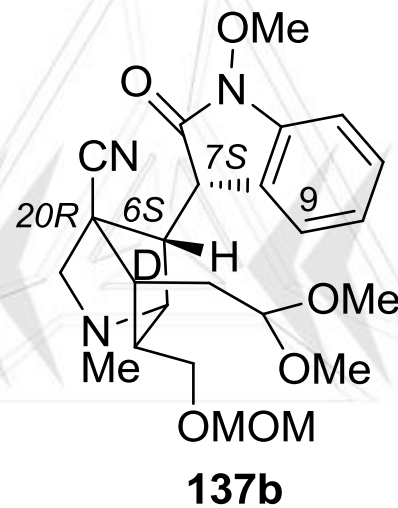
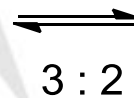
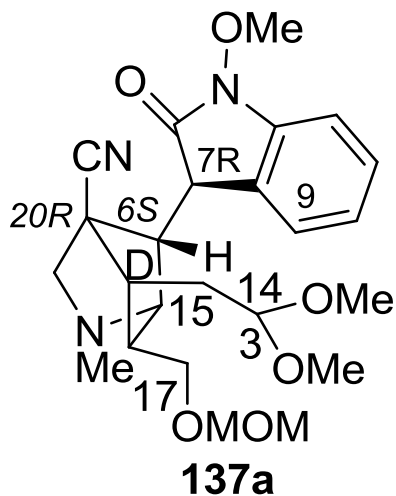
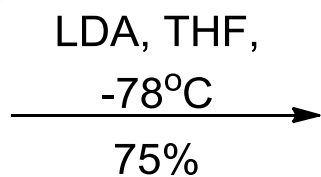
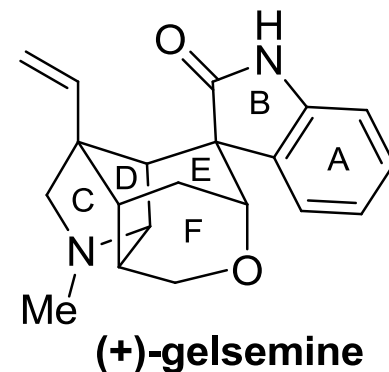
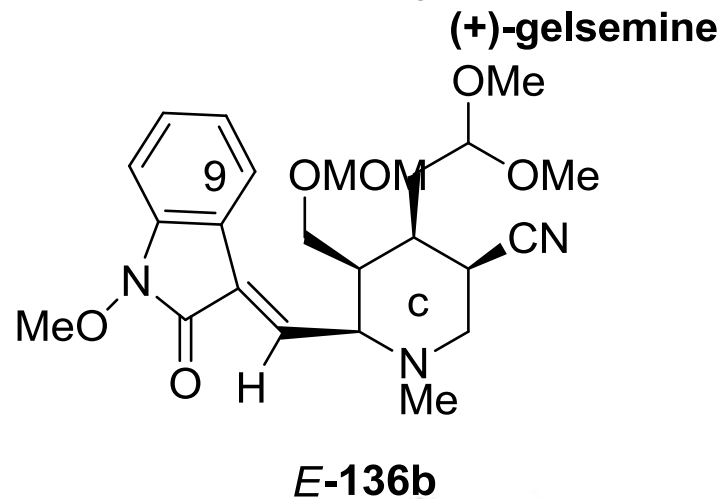
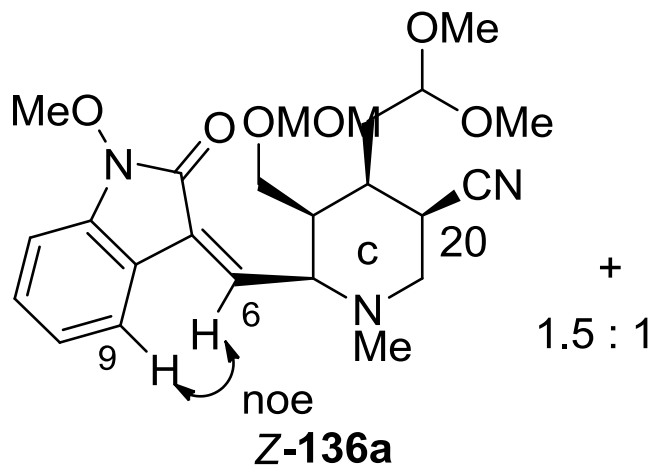
C15 stereocenter



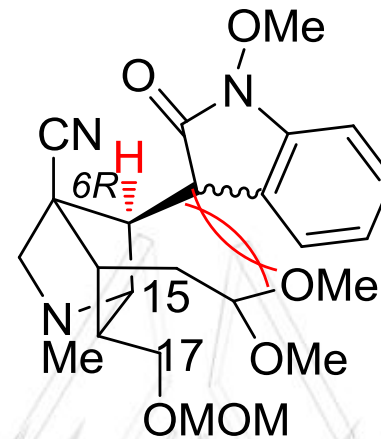
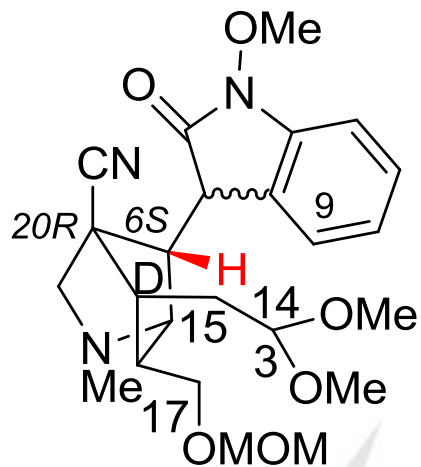
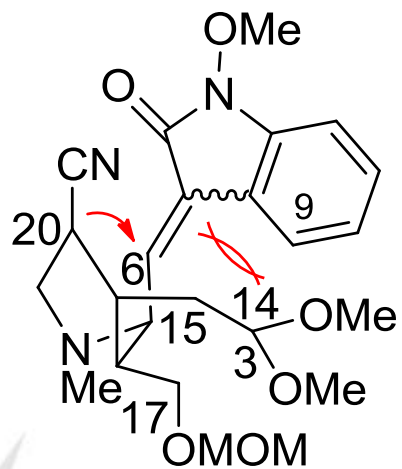
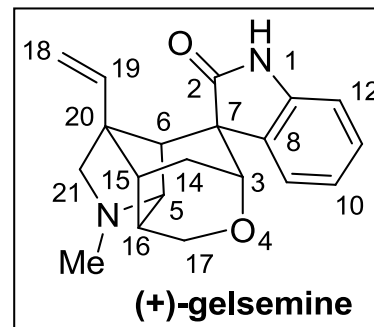
Total synthesis of (+)-gelsemine



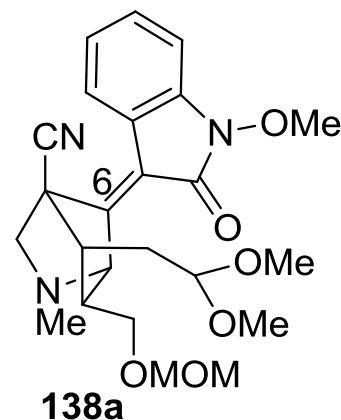
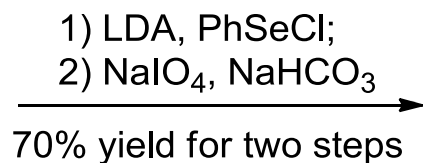
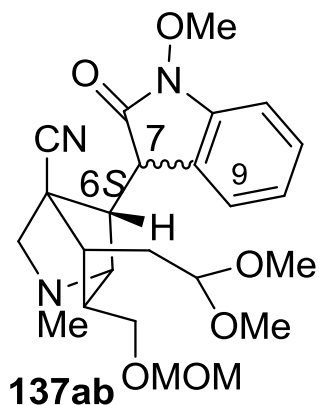
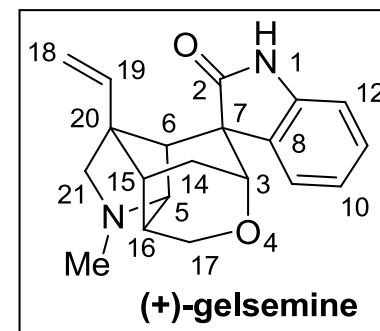
Construction the D-ring of gelsemine



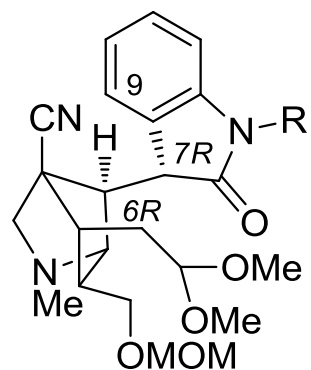
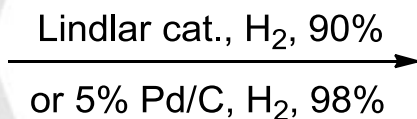
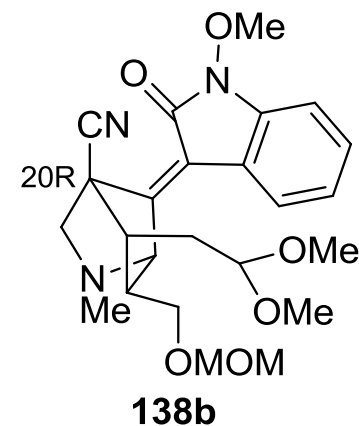
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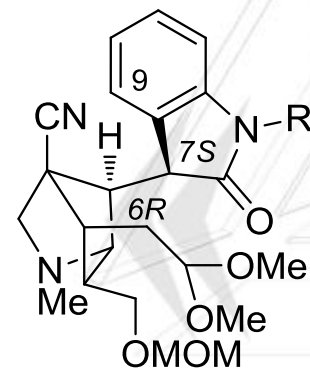
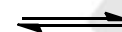
Total synthesis of (+)-gelsemine



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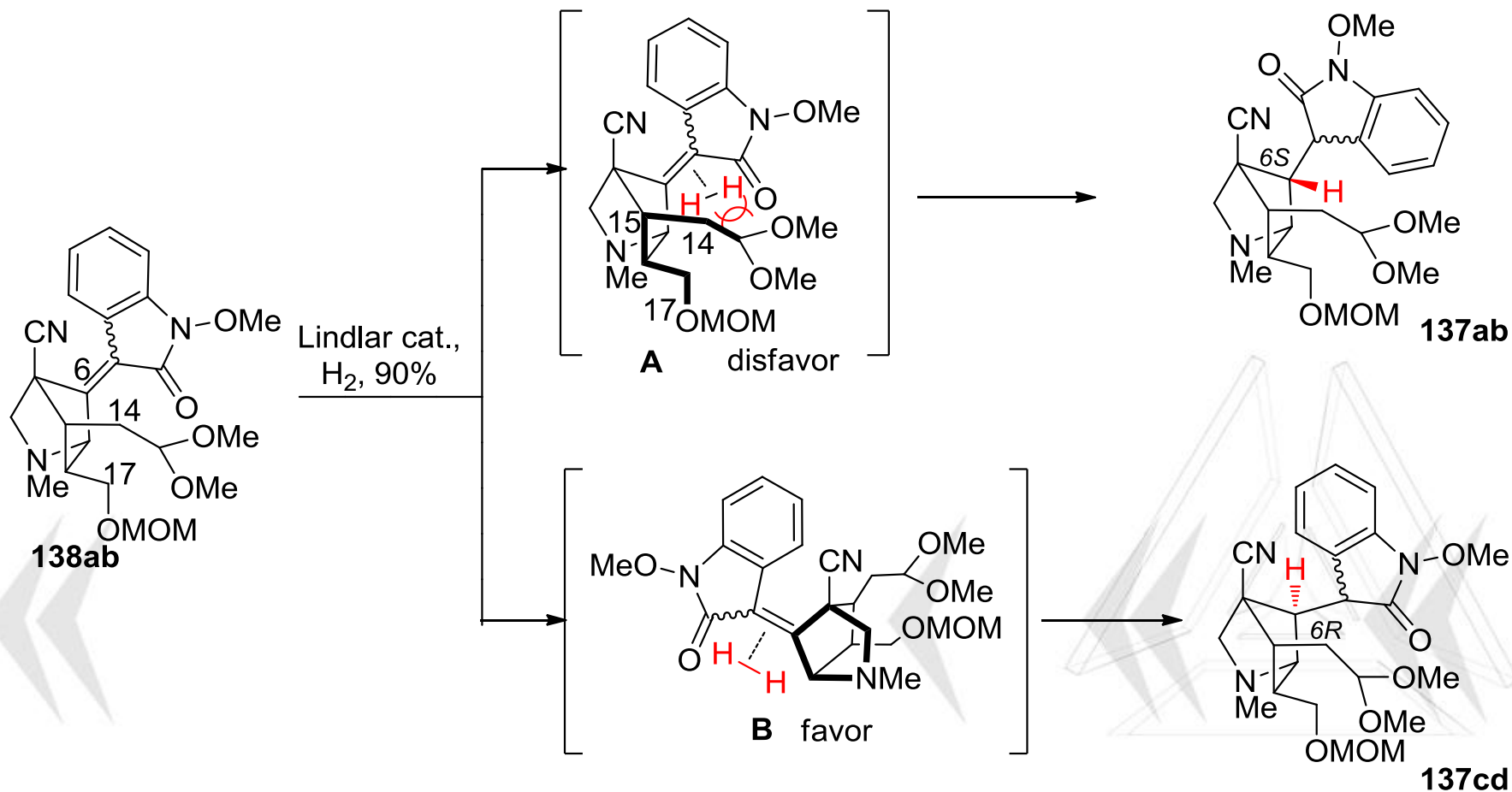
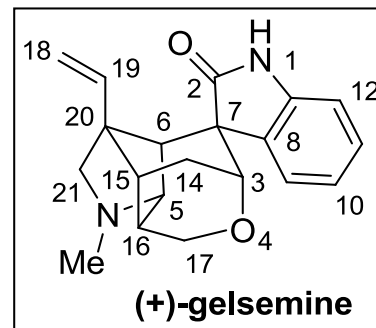


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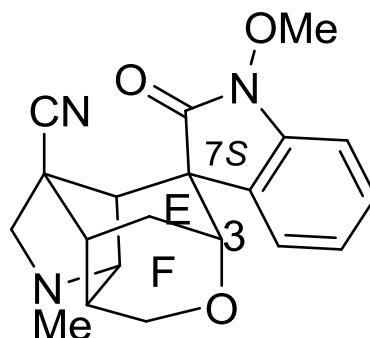
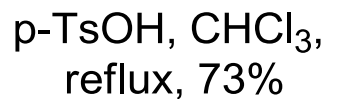
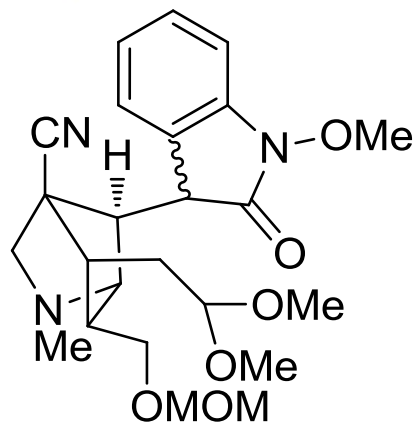
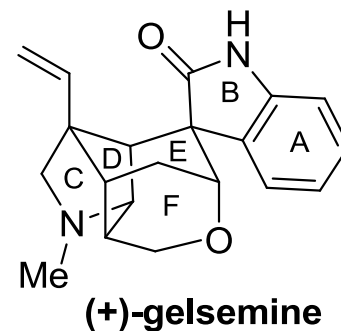


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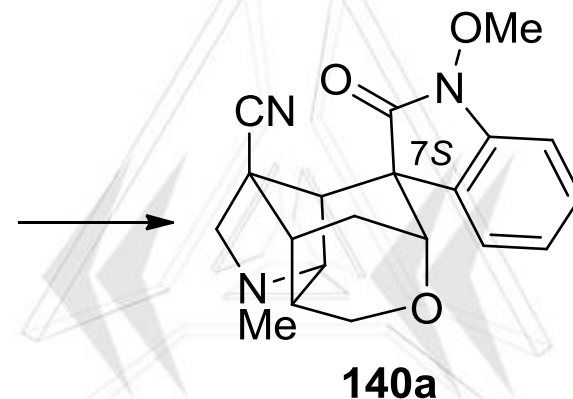
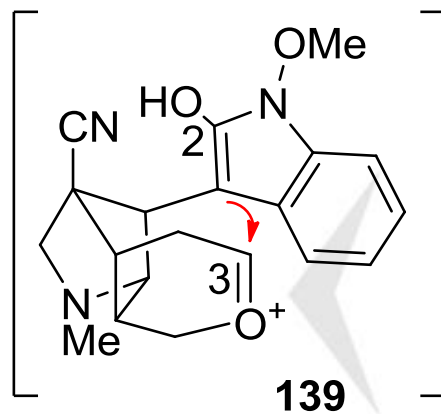
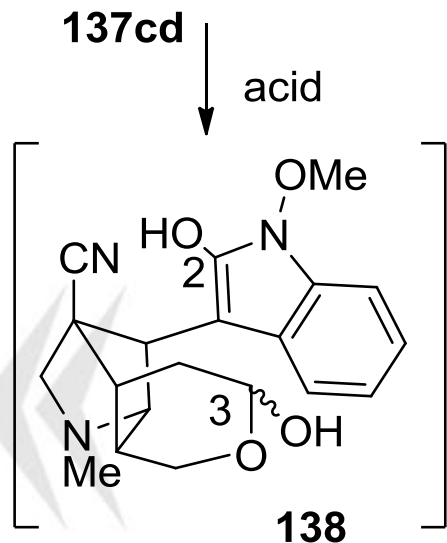
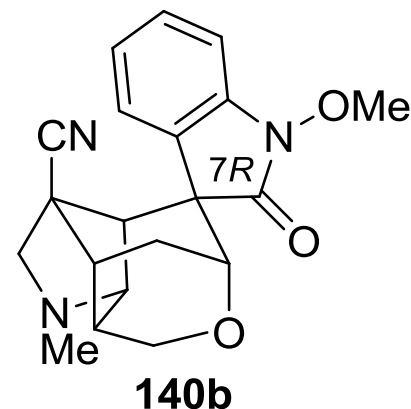
Total synthesis of (+)-gelsemine



Total synthesis of (+)-gelsemine via enol-oxonium cyclization

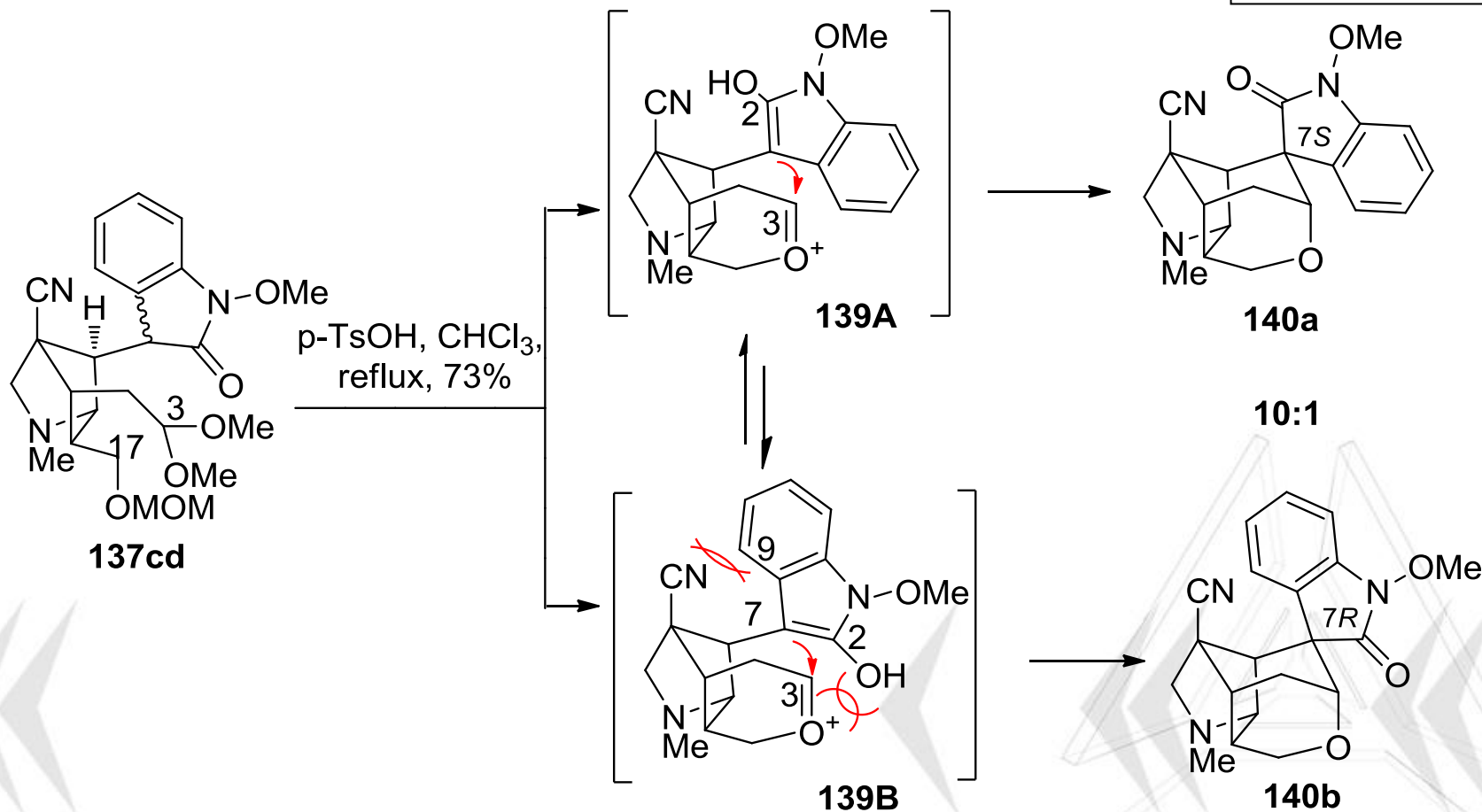
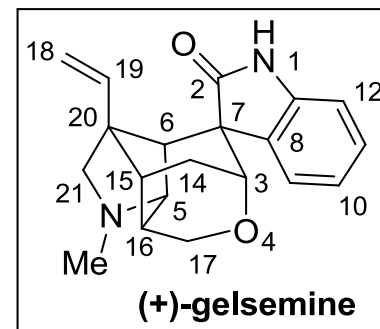


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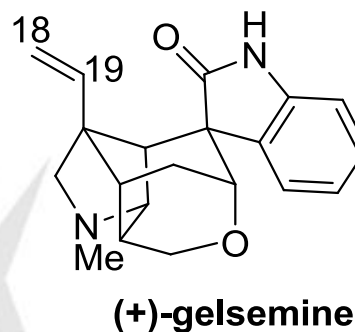
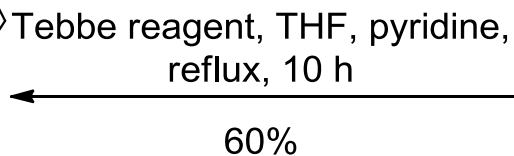
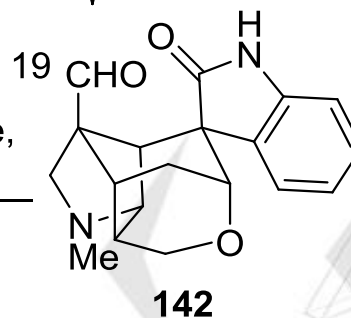
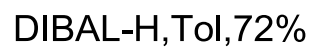
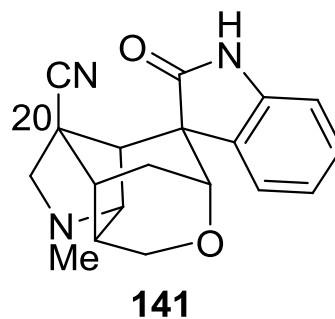
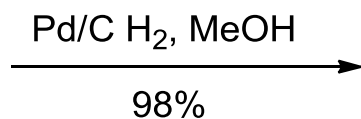
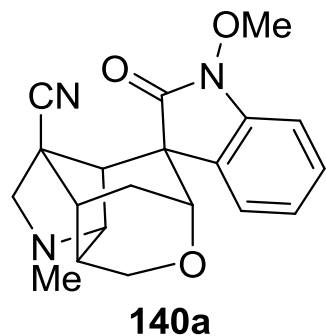
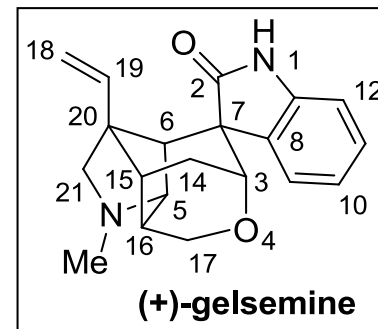


Stereocontrol synthesis

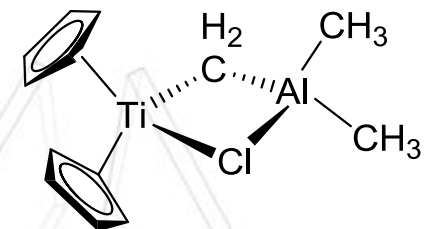
C7 stereocenter



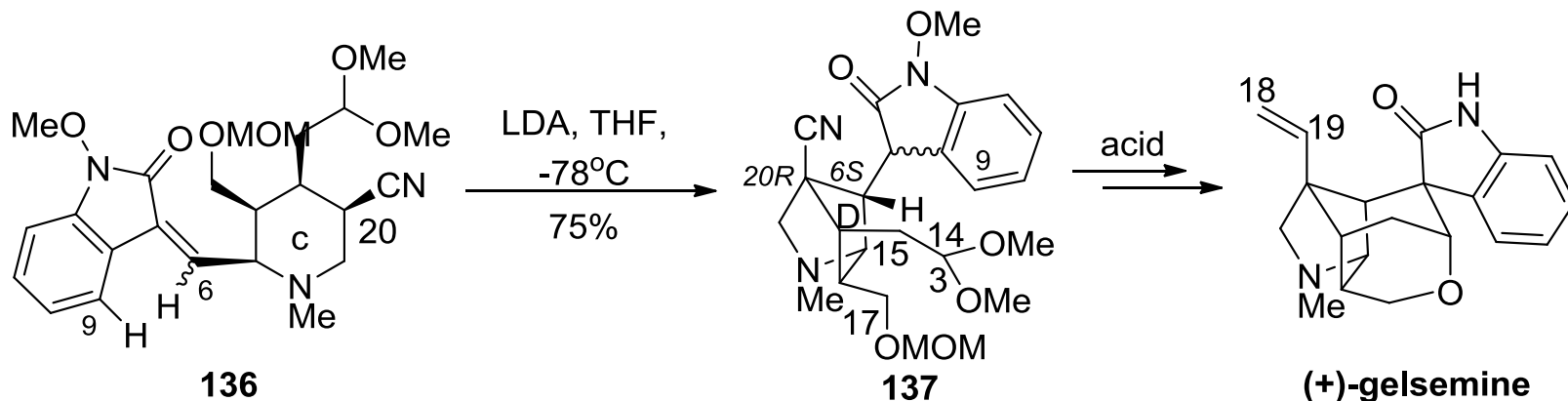
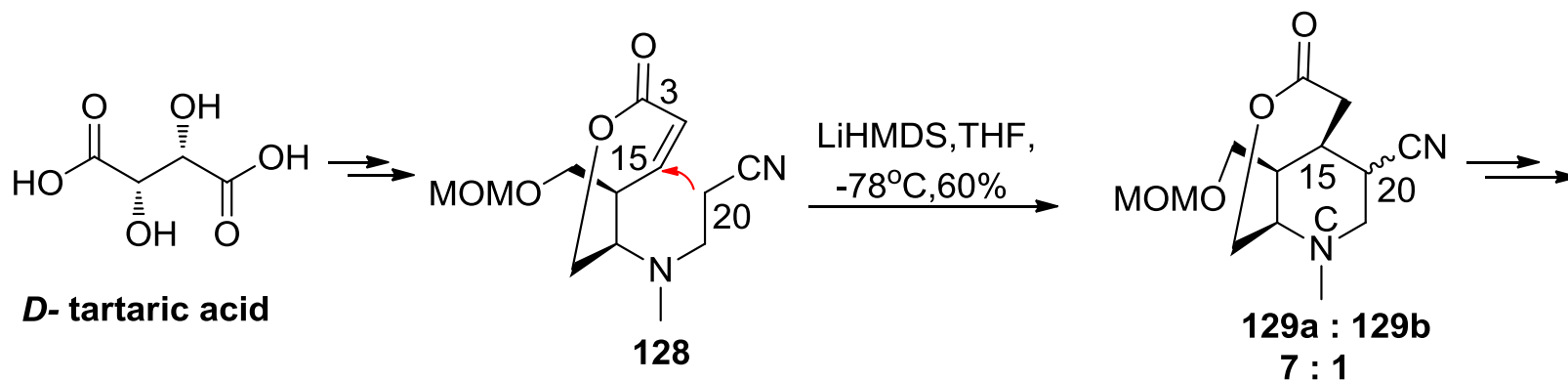
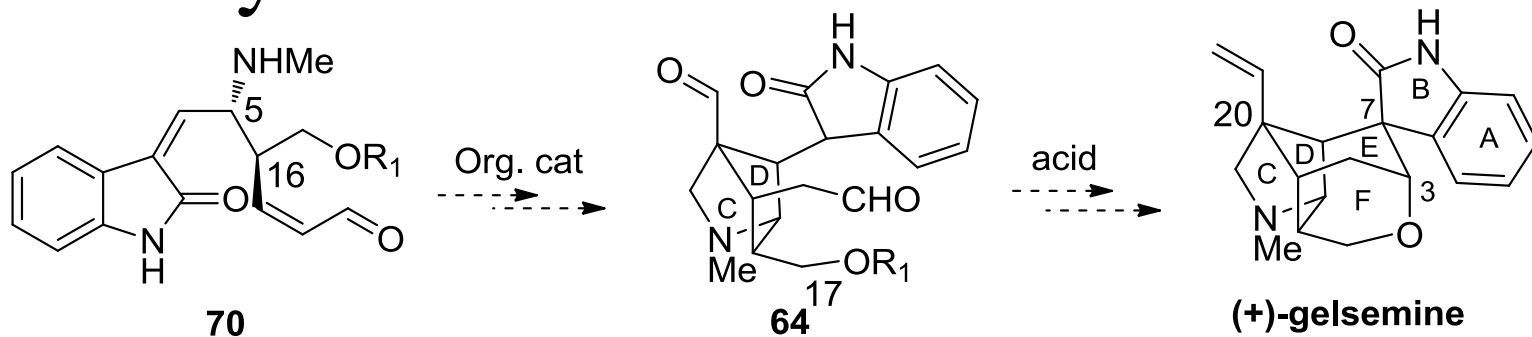
Total synthesis of (+)-gelsemine



Tebbe reagent:



Summary



25 steps with 1% overall yield.
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