

# ***Hydrogen-Bond Donor: Urea/Thiourea***

*Who discovered hydrogen bond??*

Literature Seminar  
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# About Hydrogen bond (H-bond)

## 1. Introduction

Who discovered H-bond??

--T. S. Moore and T. F. Winmill

'The state of amines in aqueous solution'

*J. Chem. Soc. Trans.* **1912**, 101, 1635.

H-bond has the 100-year history .

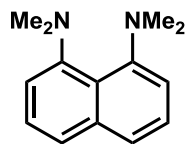
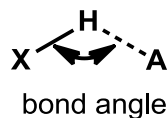
The hydrogen bond is an attractive interaction between a hydrogen atom from a molecule or a molecular fragment X–H in which X is more electronegative than H, and an atom or a group of atoms in the same or a different molecule in which there is evidence of bond formation.

--D. J. Nesbitt, *et al*, *IUPAC Technical Report*

([http://media.iupac.org/reports/provisional/abstract11/arunan\\_tr.pdf](http://media.iupac.org/reports/provisional/abstract11/arunan_tr.pdf))

## Properties of H-bond.

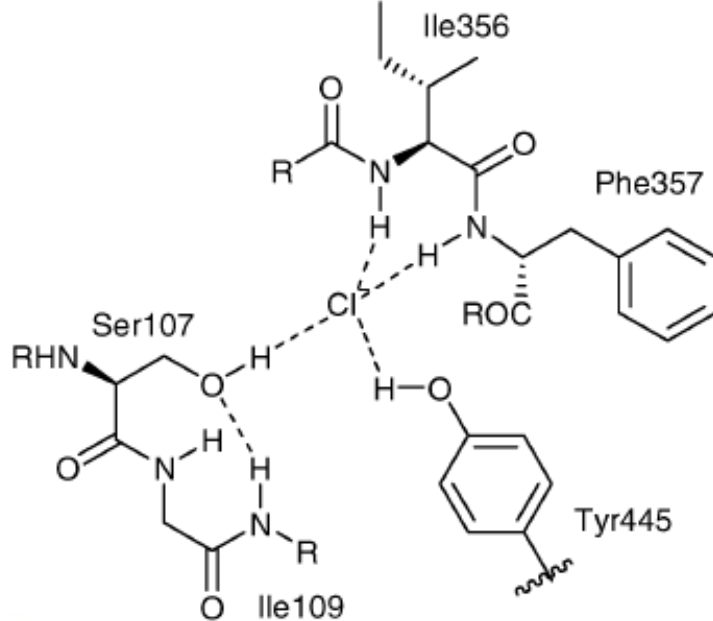
	Strong	Moderate	Weak
type of bonding	mostly covalent	mostly electrostatic	electrostatic
length of H-bond [Å]	1.2–1.5	1.5–2.2	2.2–3.2
bond angles [°]	175–180	130–180	90–150
bond energy [kcal mol <sup>-1</sup> ]	14–40	4–15	< 4
typical example	intramolecular NH...N bond in conjugate acid of <u>proton sponge</u>	NH...O=C bonds in peptide helices and sheets	bonds involving CH donors to N or O acceptors



Urea/Thiourea

# H-bond in Nature

## ClC chloride channel

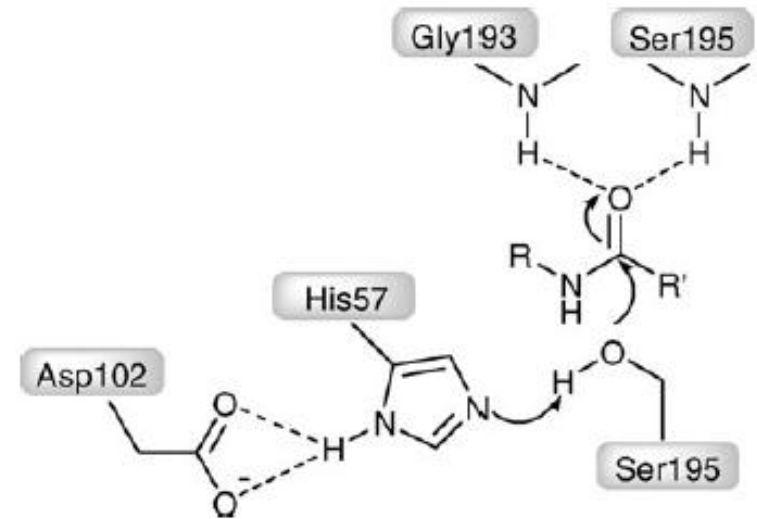


### Chloride ion

- regulates membrane potentials.
- is stabilized by electrostatic interactions with  $\alpha$ -helix dipoles and by chemical coordination with amino and hydroxyl groups.



## serine protease



- A class of enzymes characterized by a uniquely reactive serine side chain cleaving peptide bonds in proteins.
- Stabilizing the oxyanion.

R. MacKinnon, *et al*, *Nature* **2002**, 415, 287.

L. Hedstrom, *Chem Rev.* **2002**, 102, 4501.

# Organocatalyst

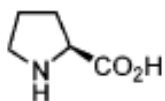
## Organocatalyst

- Consist of elements like carbon, hydrogen, oxygen, nitrogen, sulfur and so on, not including any metal.
- Have low molecular weight.
- Possess the function catalyst.

## Advantages:

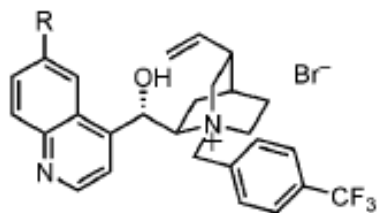
- The reactions can be performed under an aerobic atmosphere with wet solvents. (Organocatalysts are often more stable than enzymes or metal catalysts.)
- The catalysts are inexpensive.
- They can be anchored to a solid support and reused more conveniently than organometallic/bioorganic analogues, and show promising adaptability to high-throughput screening and process chemistry.



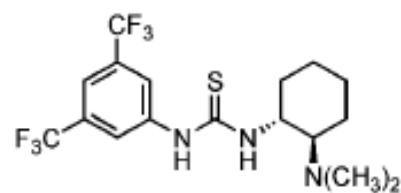
Representative H-bond donor catalysts.

Hajos, Parrish,  
Eder, Sauer, Wiechert, 1970s  
Aldol Cyclization

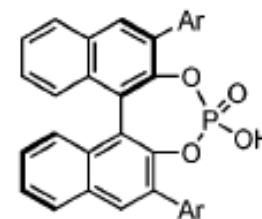
Barbas, List, 2000  
Direct Aldol Reaction



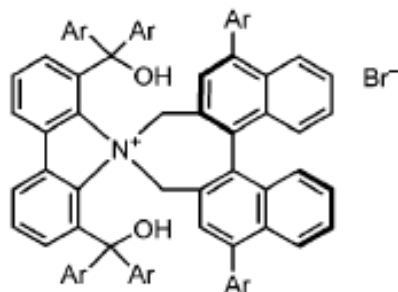
Graboswski, 1984  
Enolate Alkylation



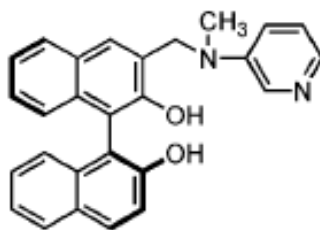
Takemoto, 2003  
Nucleophilic Addition to Nitroolefins



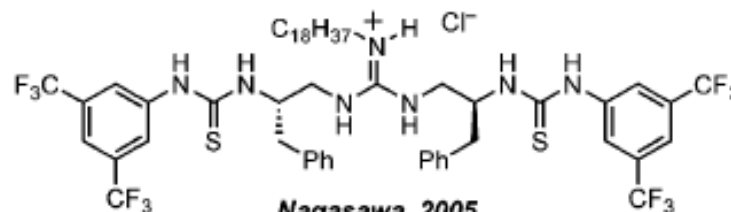
Akiyama and Terada, 2004  
Mannich Reaction



Maruoka, 2004  
Epoxidation



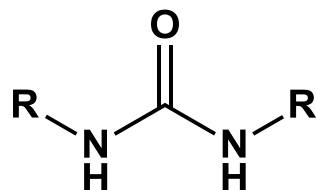
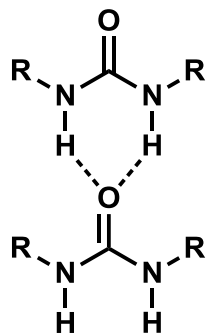
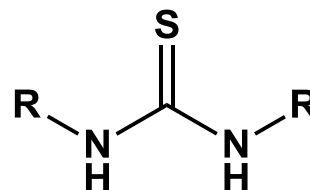
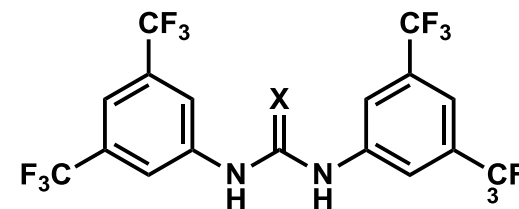
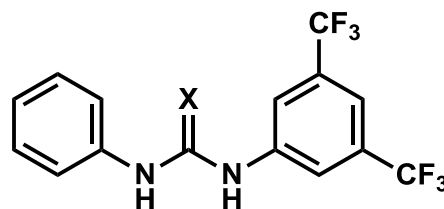
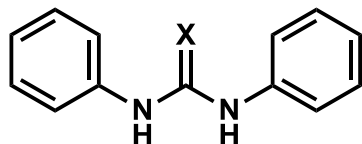
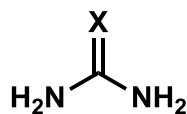
Sasai, 2005  
aza-Baylis-Hillman Reaction



Nagasawa, 2005  
Henry Reaction

# About Urea/Thiourea 1

## pKa

**Urea****Thiourea****Electronegativity : O > S****Tendency to dimerize: Urea > Thiourea****pK<sub>a</sub>: Urea > Thiourea****Turnover frequency (TOF): Urea < Thiourea****pKa**X=O  
X=S29.6  
21.118.7  
13.416.1  
10.713.8  
8.5

(in DMSO)

cf. Phenol: 9.95

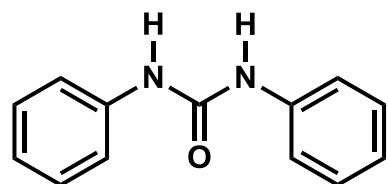
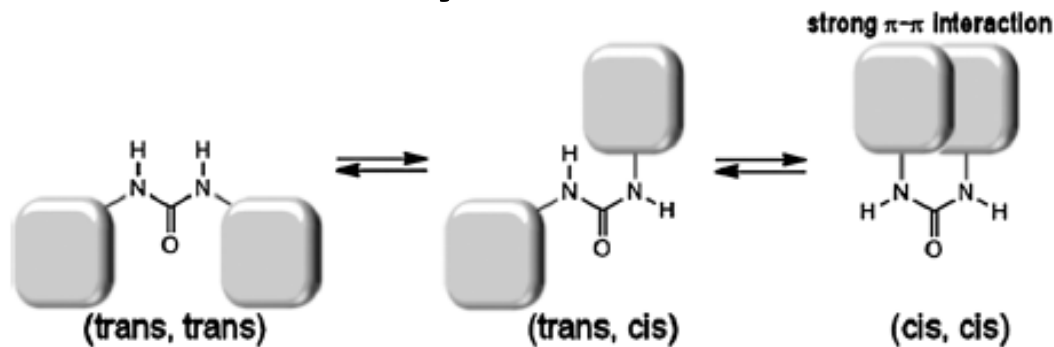
F. G. Bordwell, *et al*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1991**, *113*,8398.P. R. Schreiner, *et al*, *Org. Lett.* **2012**, *14*, 1724.



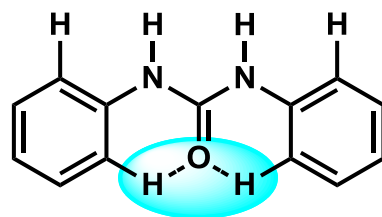
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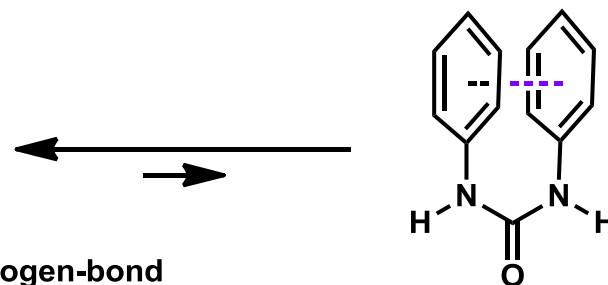
### Conformational Preference of *N,N'*-diarylurea



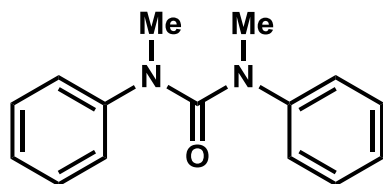
*N,N'*-diphenyl urea



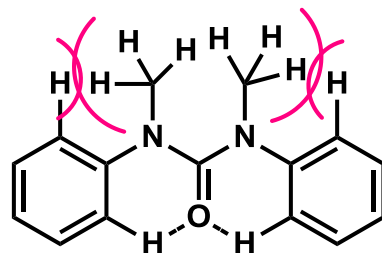
intramolecular hydrogen-bond



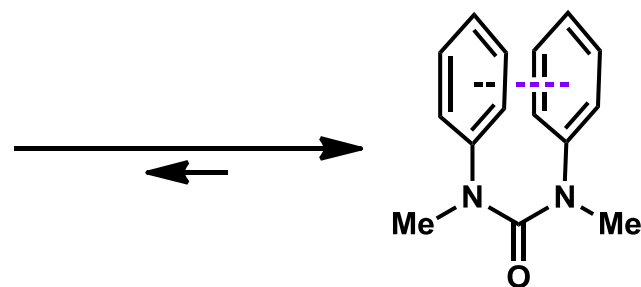
$\pi$ - $\pi$  stacking



*N,N'*-diaryl-*N,N'*-dimethyl urea



steric hindrance



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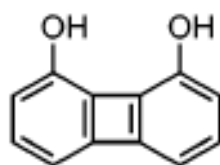
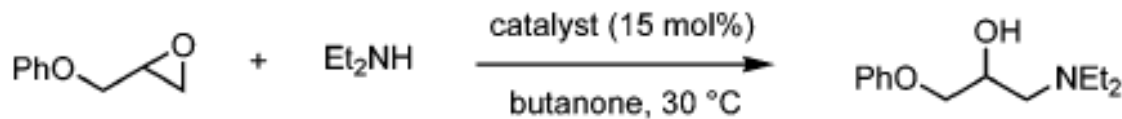
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## Using H-Bond --Hine

### Biphenylenediol-Promoted Epoxide-Opening Reaction

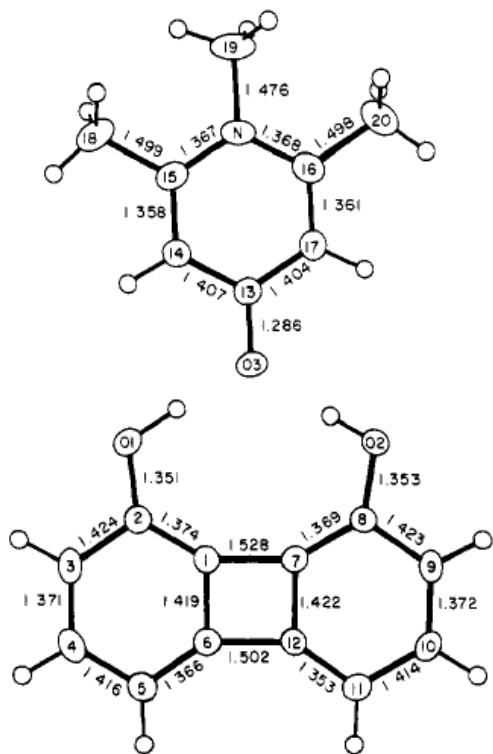


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catalyst	$k_{\text{rel}}$	pKa
phenol	1.0	9.95
1	12.5	8.00

J. Hine, *et al*, *JACS* **1985**, *107*, 1082.

1,8-biphenylenediol has two H-bond donor and make oxygen atom negative effectively.



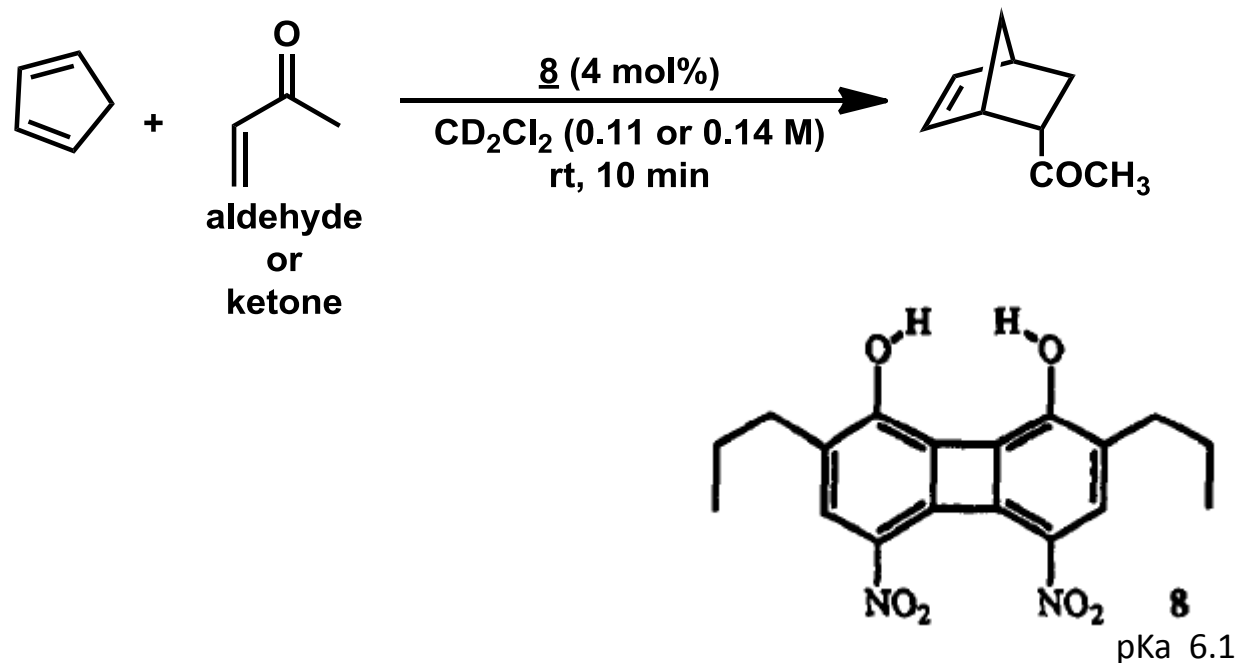
**Fig.** ORTEP drawing displaying the labeling scheme and bond distances (Å) for the 1,8-biphenylenediol-1,2,6-trimethyl-4-pyridone complex with non-hydrogen atoms drawn at the 50% probability level and hydrogen atoms drawn with an artificial radius. The estimated standard deviations on the bond distances are 0.003-0.004 Å.

J. Hine, *et al*, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1984**, *106*, 7980.

# Early Example of the Reaction

## with Recognition of Carbonyl group --Kelly

### Diels-Alder Reaction: Rate Acceleration Promoted By A Biphenylenediol

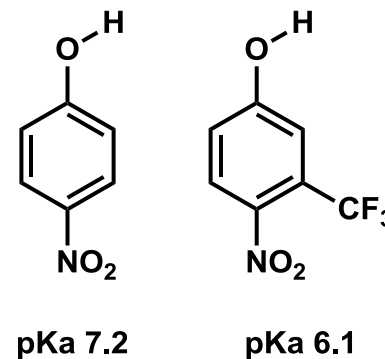


### Roles of acids in Diels-Alder Reaction

- Lower LUMO of dienophile and improve the regioselectivity.

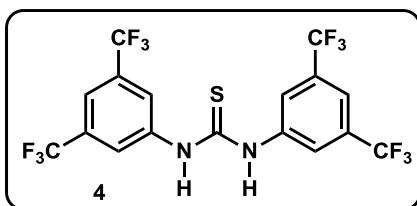
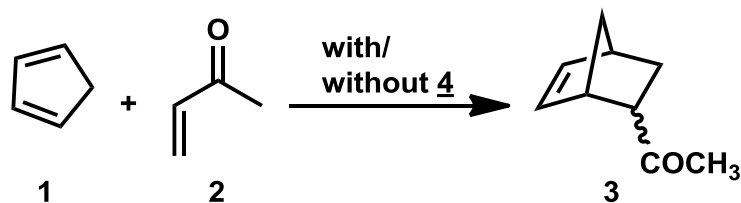
### Characteristics of **8**

- Superior to acidic monodentate H-bond donor (such as p-nitrophenol, 4-nitro-3-(trifluoromethyl)phenol).



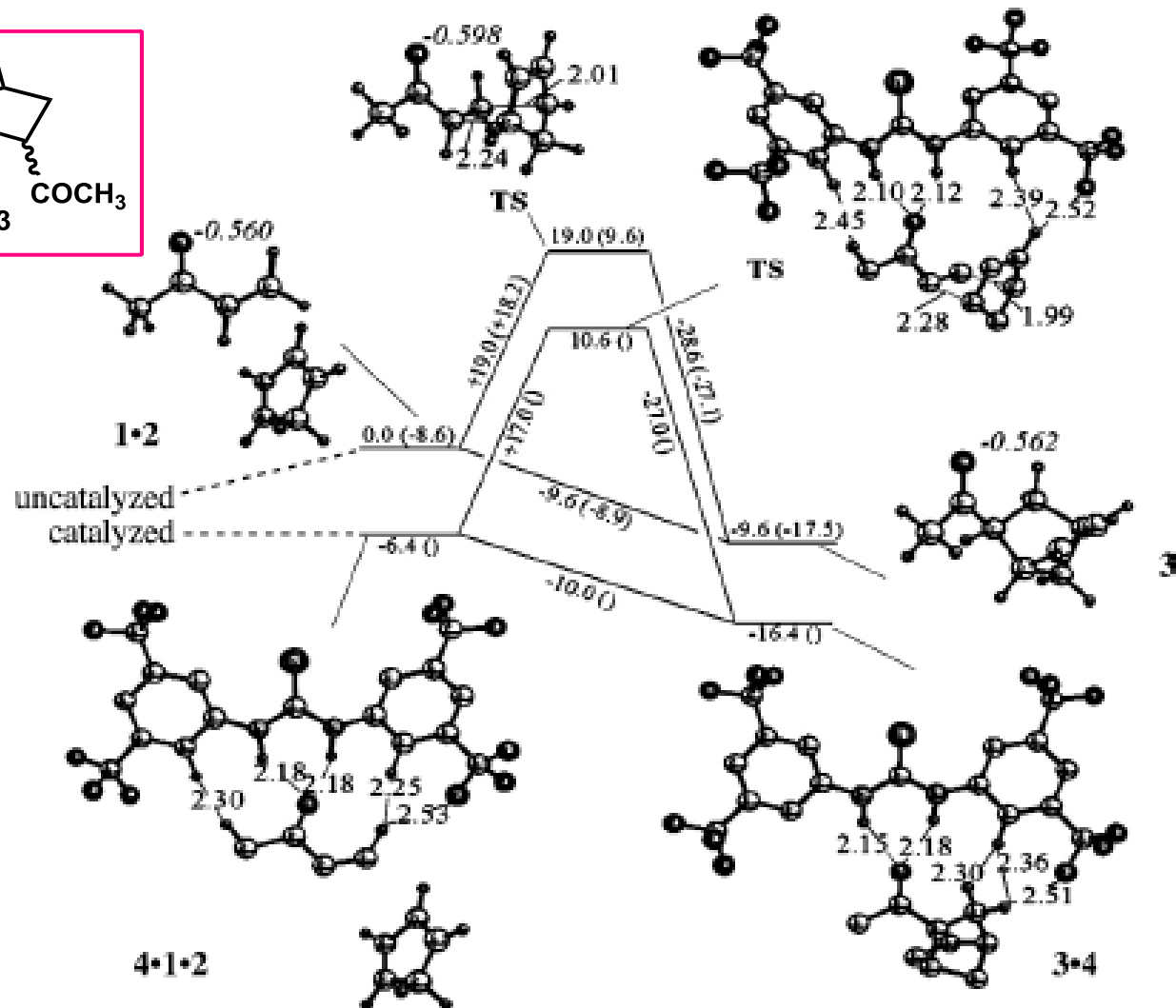
# Activation of Dienophile with Thiourea

## Diels–Alder Reaction



The energy barrier with **4** was smaller than that without **4** by 2 kcal/mol.

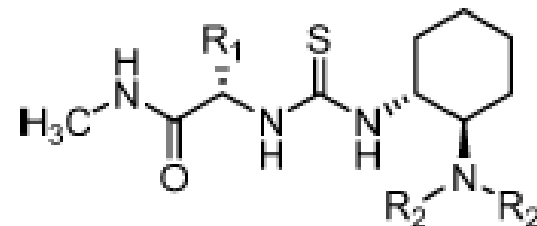
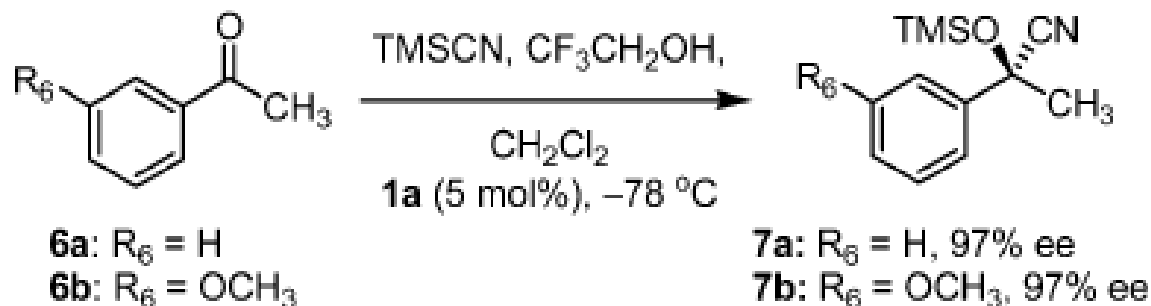
P. R. Schreiner, *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **2003**, 32, 289.



**Fig.** The Diels–Alder reaction of **1** and **2** uncatalyzed and catalyzed by **4**. The energies at the B3LYP/6-31+G\*\*//AM1 level relative to the starting materials are given in kcal/mol (the SCRF-energies are in parentheses, NBO-charges in italics). Some of the hydrogens were removed for clarity.

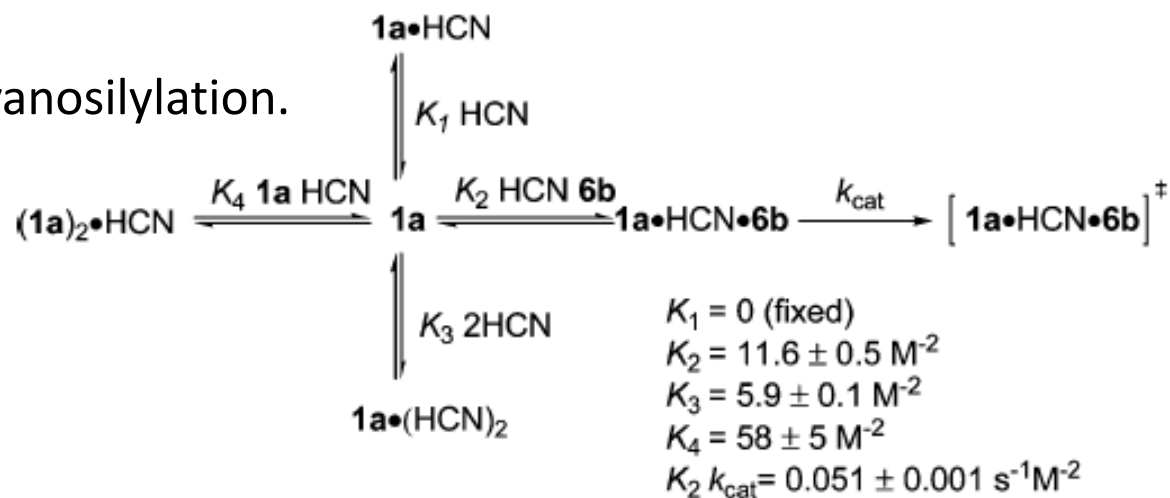
# Activation and Cyanation of Carbonyl 1

## Optimized Catalyst and Equilibrium



- 1a**: R<sub>1</sub> = *t*-Bu, R<sub>2</sub> = *n*-Pr
- 1b**: R<sub>1</sub> = *t*-Bu, R<sub>2</sub> = CH<sub>3</sub>
- 2a**: R<sub>1</sub> = CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> = *n*-Pr
- 2b**: R<sub>1</sub> = CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sub>2</sub> = CH<sub>3</sub>

Equilibrium  
in ketone cyanosilylation.

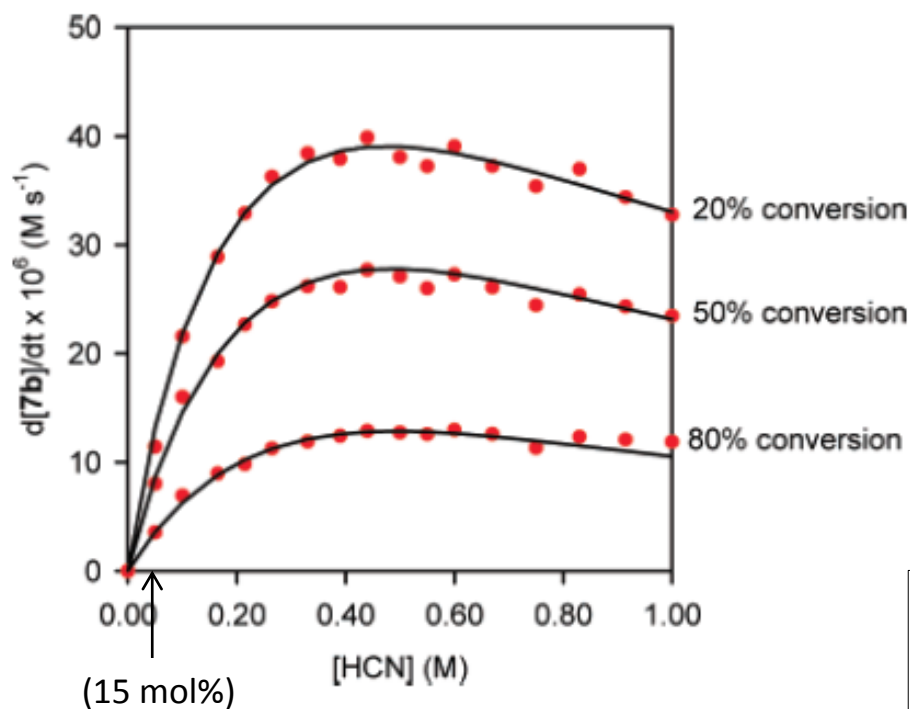


E. N. Jacobsen, *et al*, *J. AM. CHEM. SOC.* **2005**, *127*, 8964.

E. N. Jacobsen, *et al*, *J. AM. CHEM. SOC.* **2007**, *129*, 15872. <sup>14</sup>

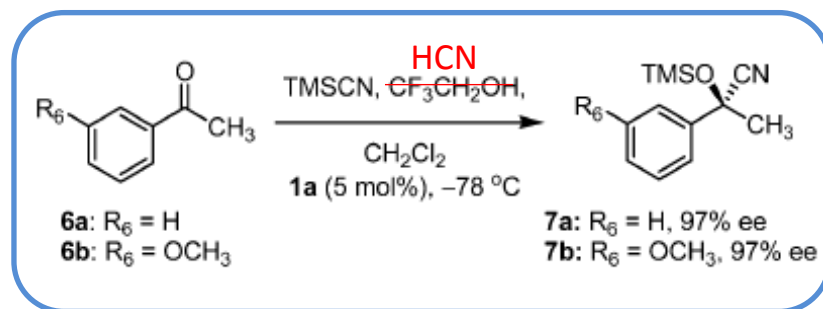
# Activation and Cyanation of Carbonyl 2

## Relationship between Reaction Rate and Concentration of HCN

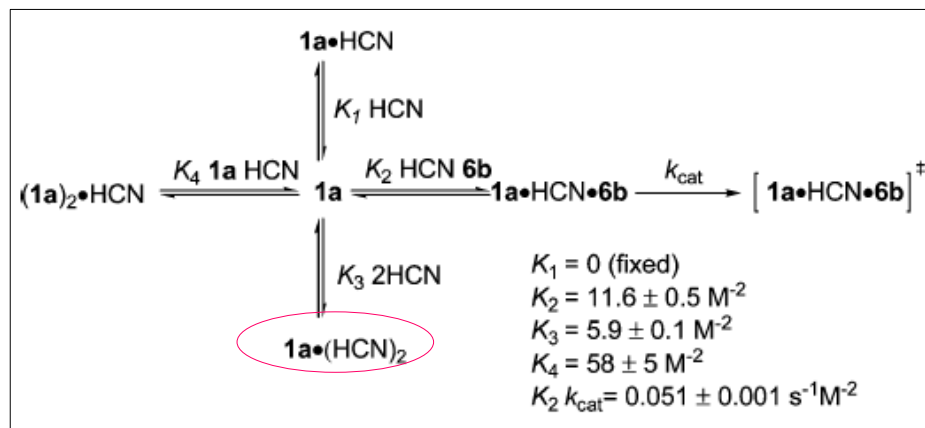


**Fig.** Rate dependence on [HCN].

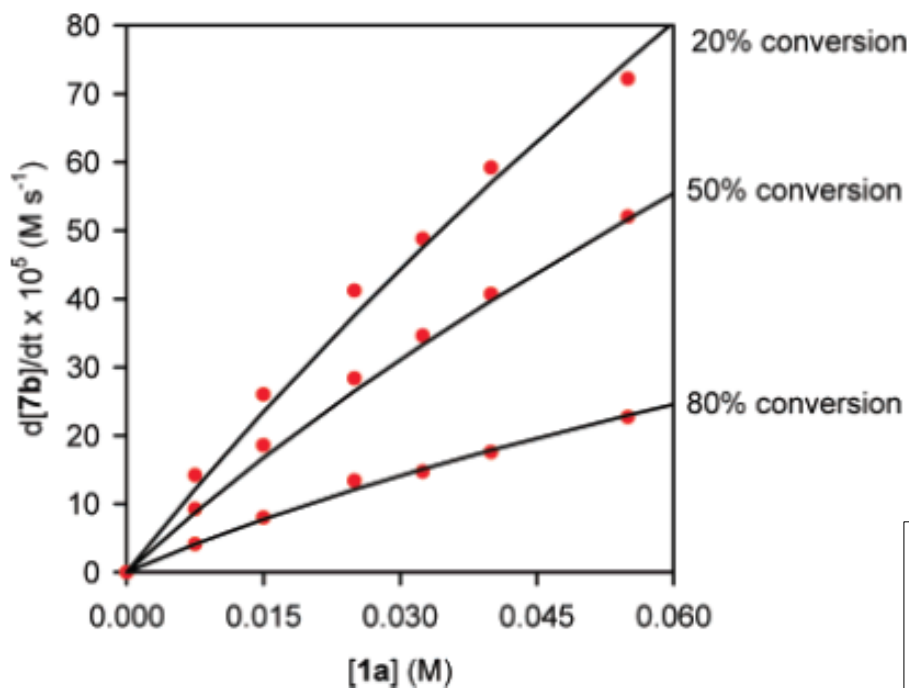
Plot of the rate of cyanosilylation of **6b** ( $[6b]_i = 0.33$  M) with TMSCN ( $[TMSCN]_i = 0.50$  M) catalyzed by HCN and **1a** (0.025 M) at different [HCN] and at different conversions of **6b**.



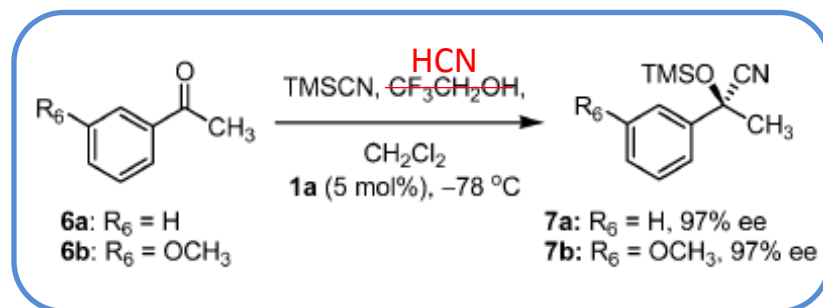
- Without HCN  $\rightarrow$  No reaction.
- 15 mol% HCN  $\rightarrow$  Sufficient to effect >90% substrate conversion.
- High [HCN]  $\rightarrow$  Rate inhibition.



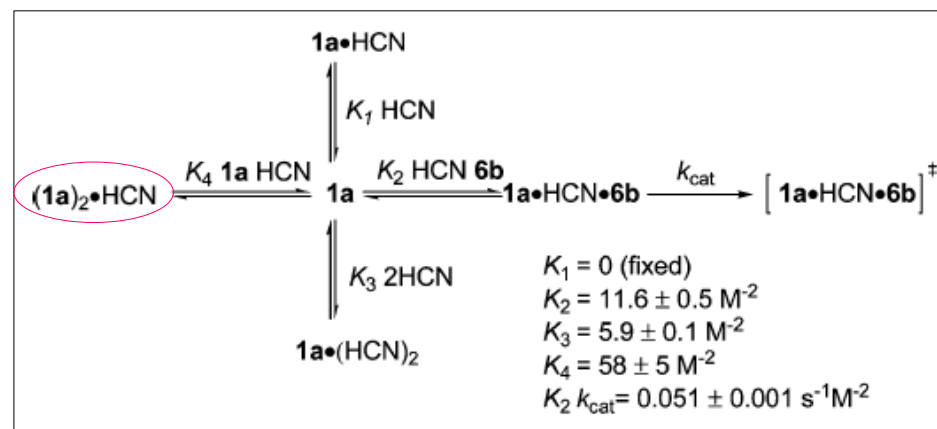
### Relationship between Reaction Rate and Concentration of Catalyst



**Fig.** Rate dependence on [1a]. Plot of the rate of cyanosilylation of **6b** ([**6b**]<sub>i</sub> = 0.33 M) with TMSCN ([TMSCN]<sub>i</sub> = 0.50 M) catalyzed by HCN (0.33 M) and **1a** at different [1a] and at different conversions of **6b**.



The reaction rate displays a less than first-order dependence on [**1a**] at elevated catalyst concentrations.



(\*First-order dependence on [**6**])



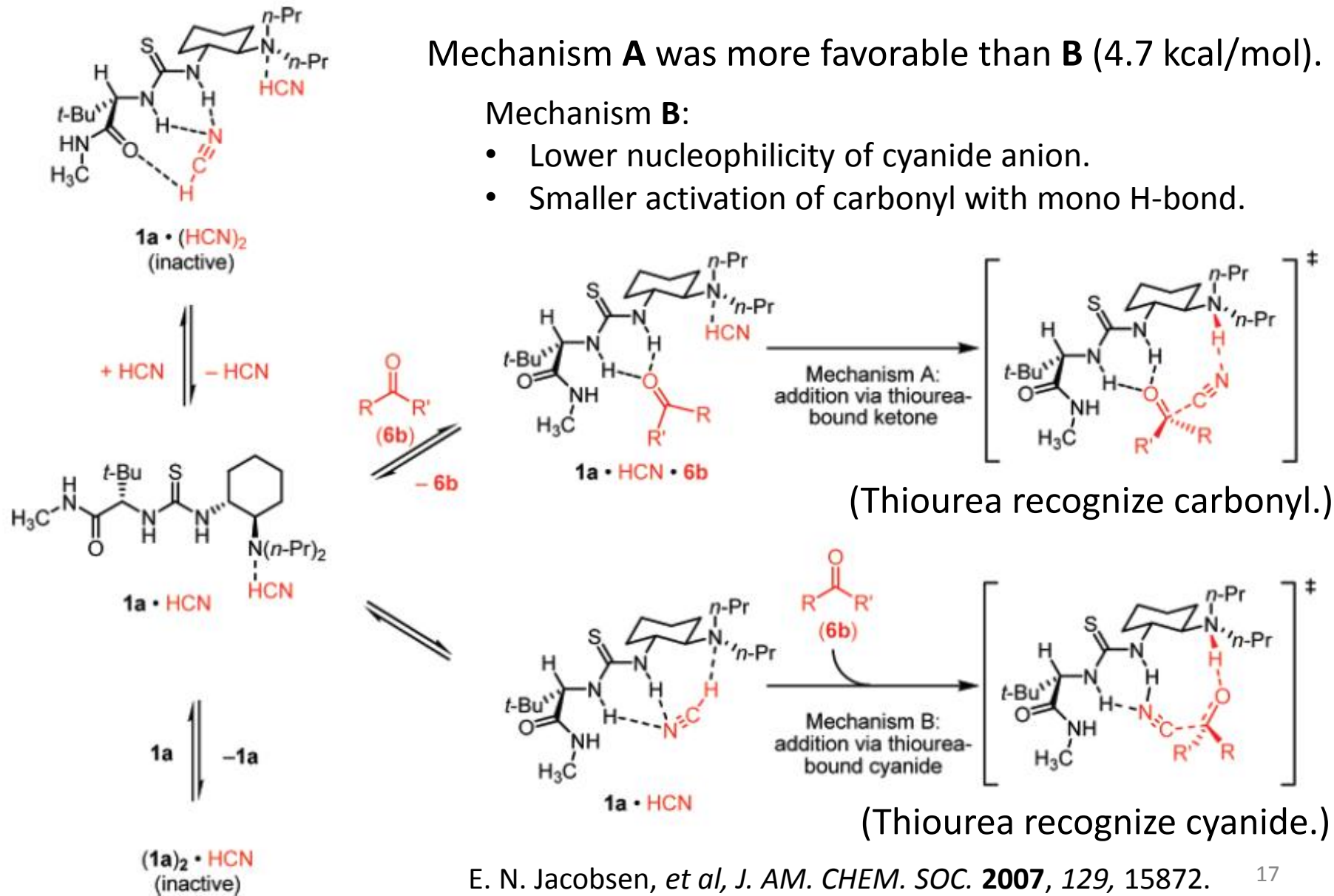
# Activation and Cyanation of Carbonyl 4

## Possible Transition States

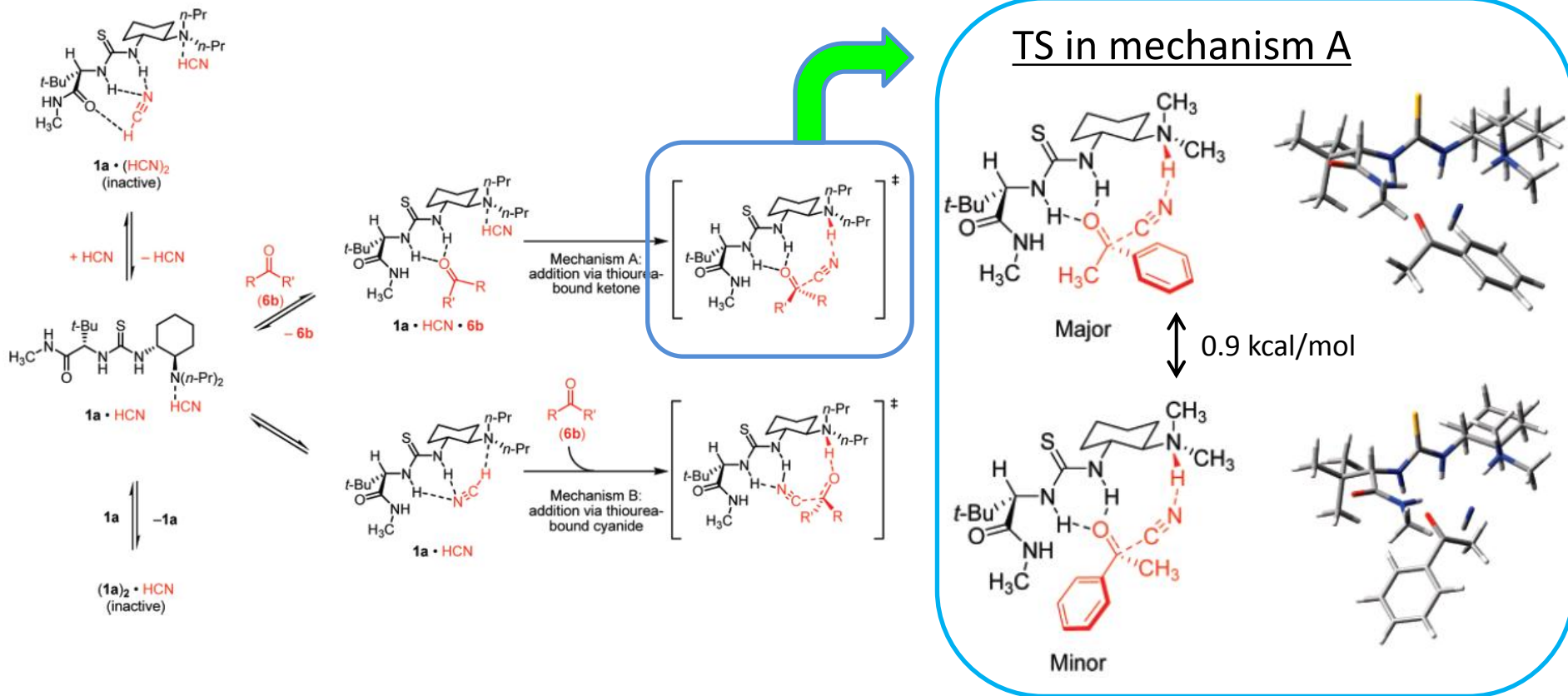
Mechanism **A** was more favorable than **B** (4.7 kcal/mol).

Mechanism **B**:

- Lower nucleophilicity of cyanide anion.
- Smaller activation of carbonyl with mono H-bond.



### Decision of Steric Configuration



Conclusive factor of the enantioselectivity:

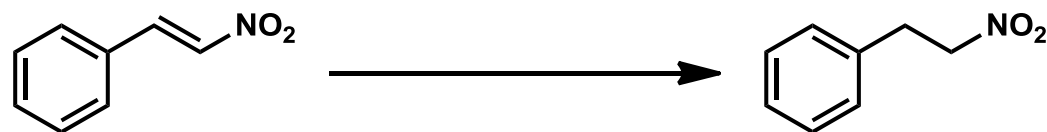
Repulsive interactions between the amide  $\pi$ -system and the substrate  $\pi$ -system.



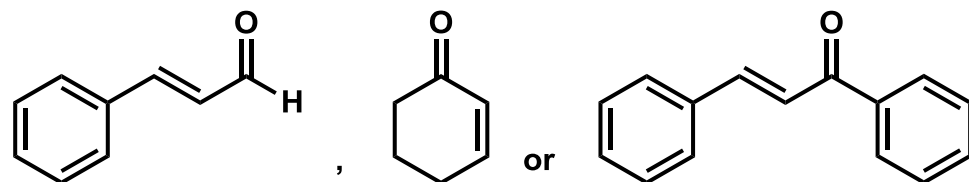
Sharp decreases in enantioselectivity were observed when using electrondeficient acetophenone derivatives.

# Recognition of Nitro Group 1

## Biomimetic Reduction of Conjugated Nitroalkenes

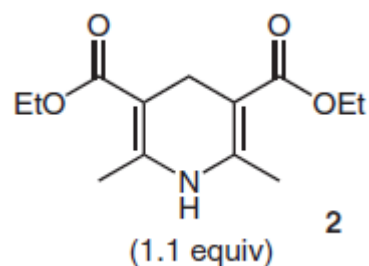


condition:  
**2** (1.1 equiv.), **3** (10 mol%)  
CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, reflux, 24 h

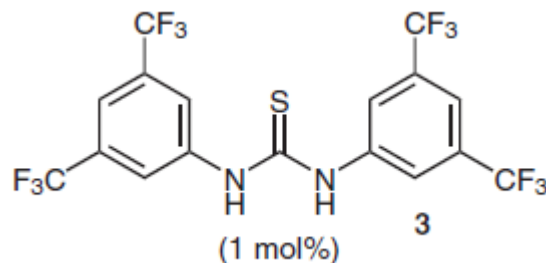


No Reaction.

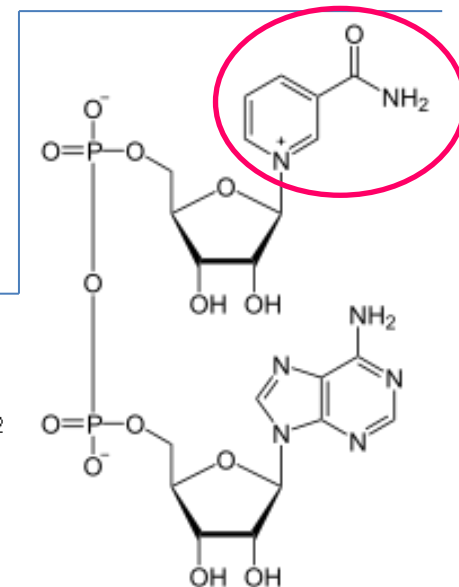
Only nitrostyrene interact with **3** strongly enough to be reduced.



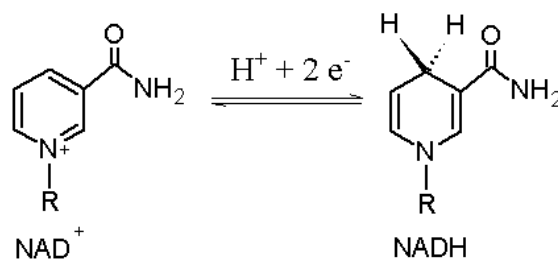
Hantzsch esters



Z. Z. Peter R. Schreiner, *Synthesis* **2007**, 16, 2559.

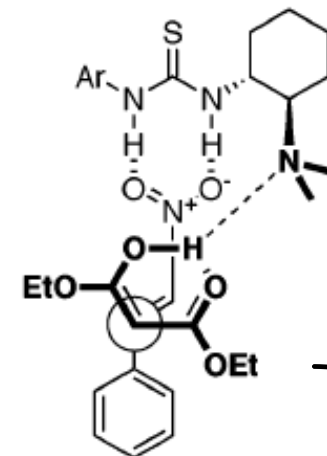
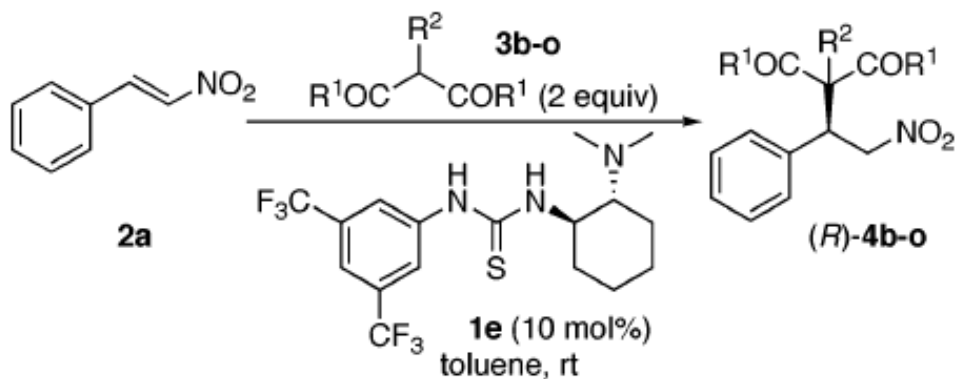


They were inspired by NADH system. Nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide (NADH) is a coenzyme to reduce unsaturated functionalities under very mild conditions.



# Recognition of Nitro Group – Michael Reaction 2-1

## Substrate Scope

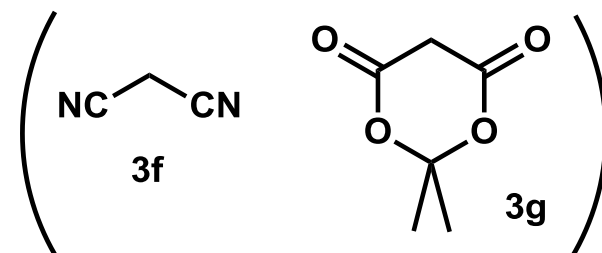


entry	3	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	time (h)	yield <sup>b</sup> (%)	ee <sup>c,d</sup> (%)
1	3b	OMe	H	9	89	86
2	3c	O <sup>i</sup> Pr	H	48	70	88
3	3d	O <sup>t</sup> Bu	H	48	trace	—
4	3e	Me	H	1	80	89 <sup>e</sup>
5	3f	NCCH <sub>2</sub> CN	0.25	85	25 <sup>e</sup>	—
6	3g	OCMe <sub>2</sub> O	H	24	88	46 <sup>f</sup>
7	3h	OMe	Me	36	82	93 <sup>e</sup>
8	3i	OMe	OMe	28	89	94
9	3j	OMe	OMs	1	86	79 <sup>e</sup>
10	3k	OEt	NHBoc	48	81	82 <sup>e</sup>
11	3l	OEt	NHAc	24	72	33
12	3m	OMe	Cl	1	>99	89 <sup>e</sup>
13	3n	OEt	Br	48	nr	—
14	3o	OMe	Ph	48	trace	—

← Large R<sup>1</sup> decreased reactivity.

Low ee.

—These cannot form the six-membered TS.

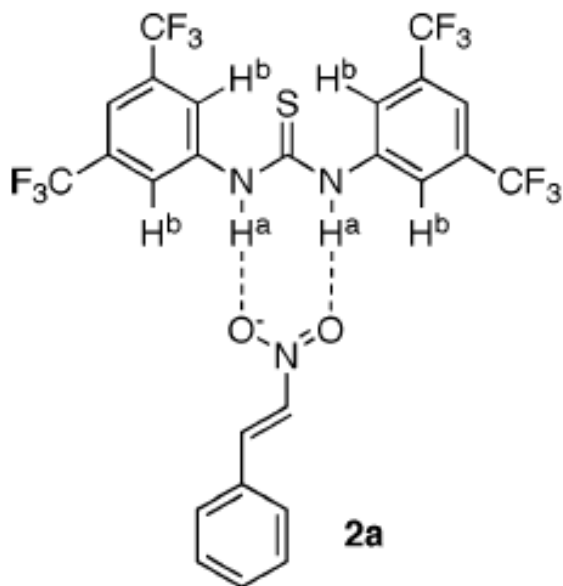


Construct quaternary carbon center.

# Recognition of Nitro Group –Michael Reaction 2-2

## Mechanistic Studies

### 1H-NMR investigation:



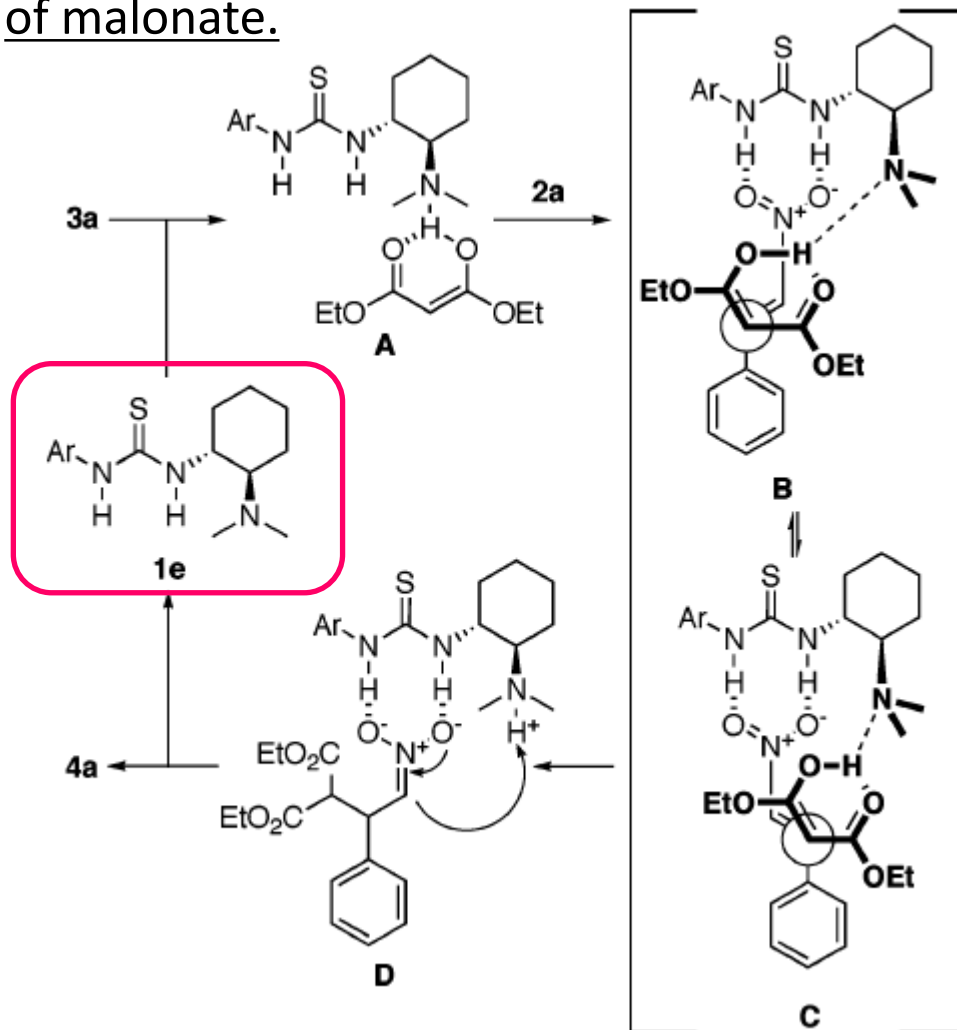
H<sub>a</sub>: 6.63 to 6.67 ppm

H<sub>b</sub>: 7.31 to 7.35 ppm

### Kinetic study:

The reaction is first-order in catalyst (**1e**), nitrostyrene (**2a**) and malonate (**3a**).

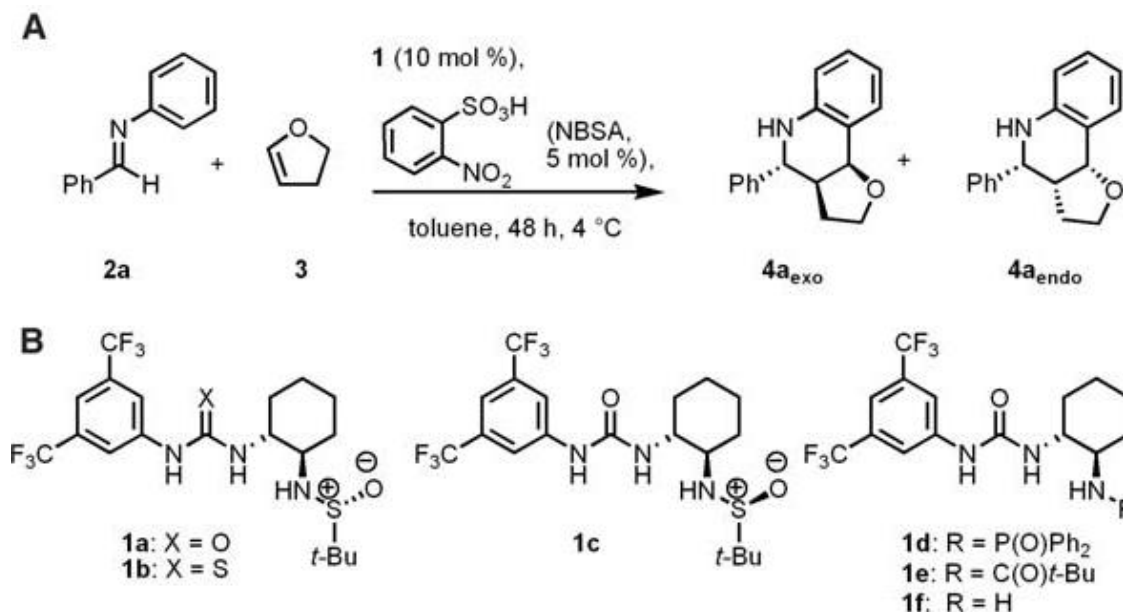
### Transition-state models of Michael reactions of malonate.



**B** is favorable to **C** due to the steric hindrance.

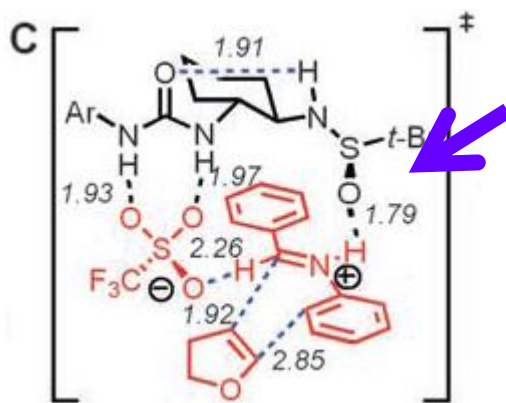
# Recognition of Sulfonate –Povarov Reaction 1

## Structure-Reactivity/Enantioselectivity Studies



**C**

entry	catalyst	conversion (%)	dr (4 <sub>exo</sub> /4 <sub>endo</sub> )	4 <sub>exo</sub> ee (%)
1	1a	92	4.0	91
2	1b	95	1.4	83
3	1c	52	0.3	2
4	1d	20	1.0	50
5	1e	8	0.25	<5
6	1f	0	ND	ND

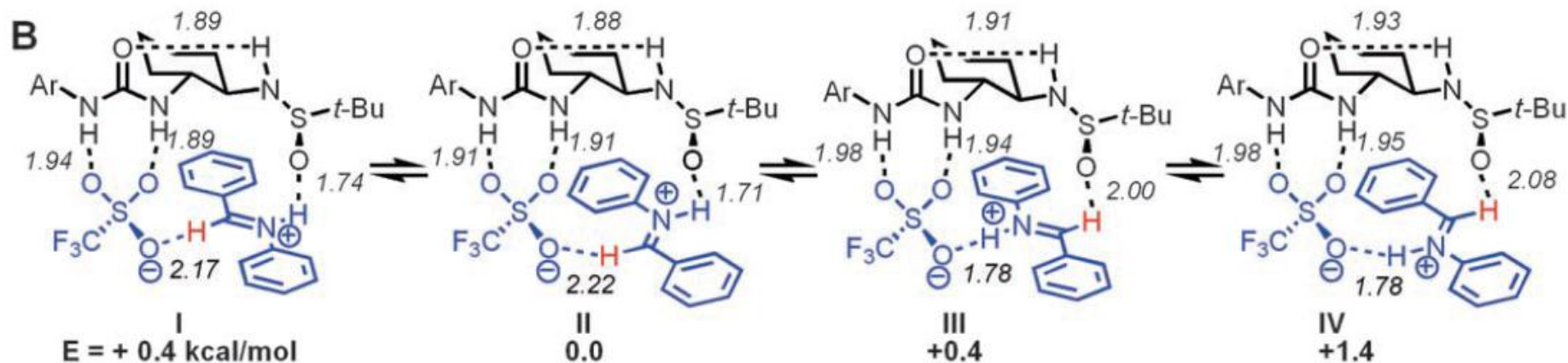
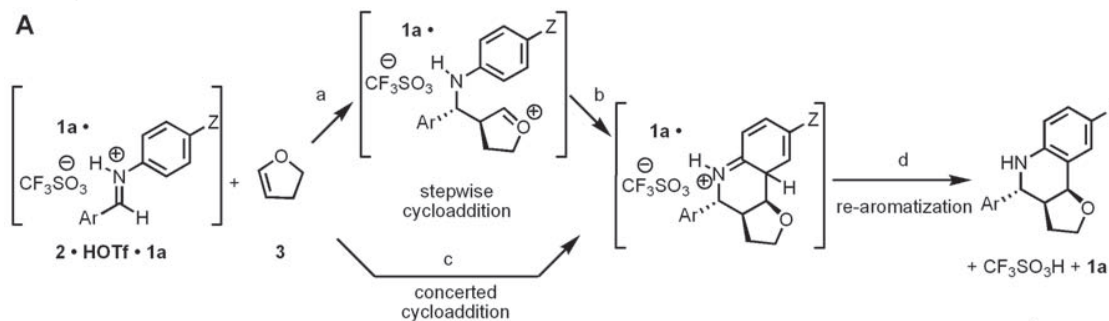


- Urea derivative showed better enantio- and diastereoselectivity than thiourea (catalyst **1a** vs. **1b**).
- The position of sulfonic amide O was important (**1a** vs. **1c**).
- Phosphinic amide urea, pivalamide urea and amino urea induced both low reactivity and selectivity (**1a** vs. **1d**, **1e** and **1f**).



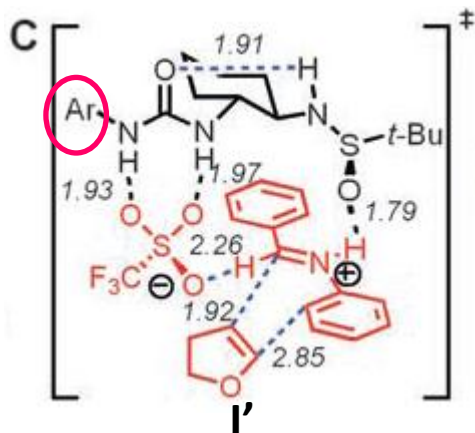
# Recognition of Sulfonate – Povarov Reaction 2

## Geometry and energy-minimized structures

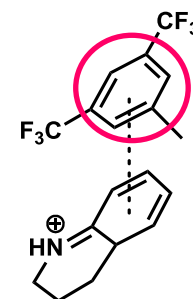


**B:** All four intermediates (I to IV) were expected to be energetically accessible.

But nucleophile added, I' was predicted to have over 1.3 kcal/mol lower energy than the other complexes. (Because of the  $\pi$ - $\pi$  interaction (I' vs. II') and the room around the reactive sites (I' vs. III', IV')).



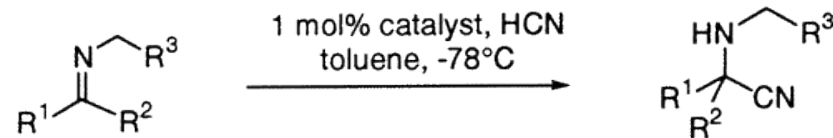
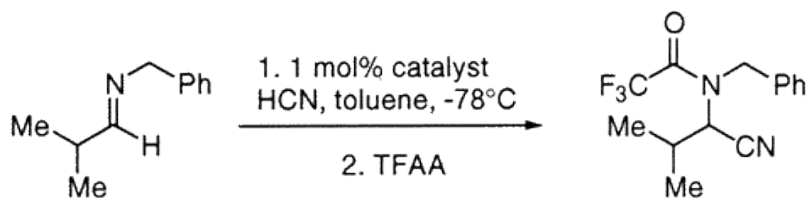
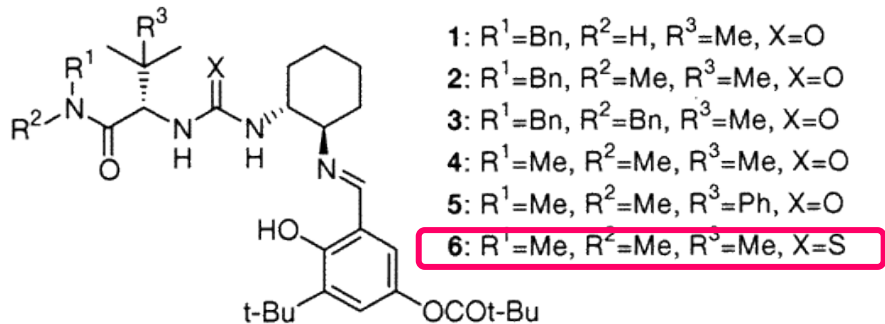
About I' vs. II'



# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 1-1

## Catalyst Optimization and Comparison Substrates

$\alpha$ -Amino acids are the building blocks of proteins and are widely used as components of medicinally active molecules and chiral catalysts.



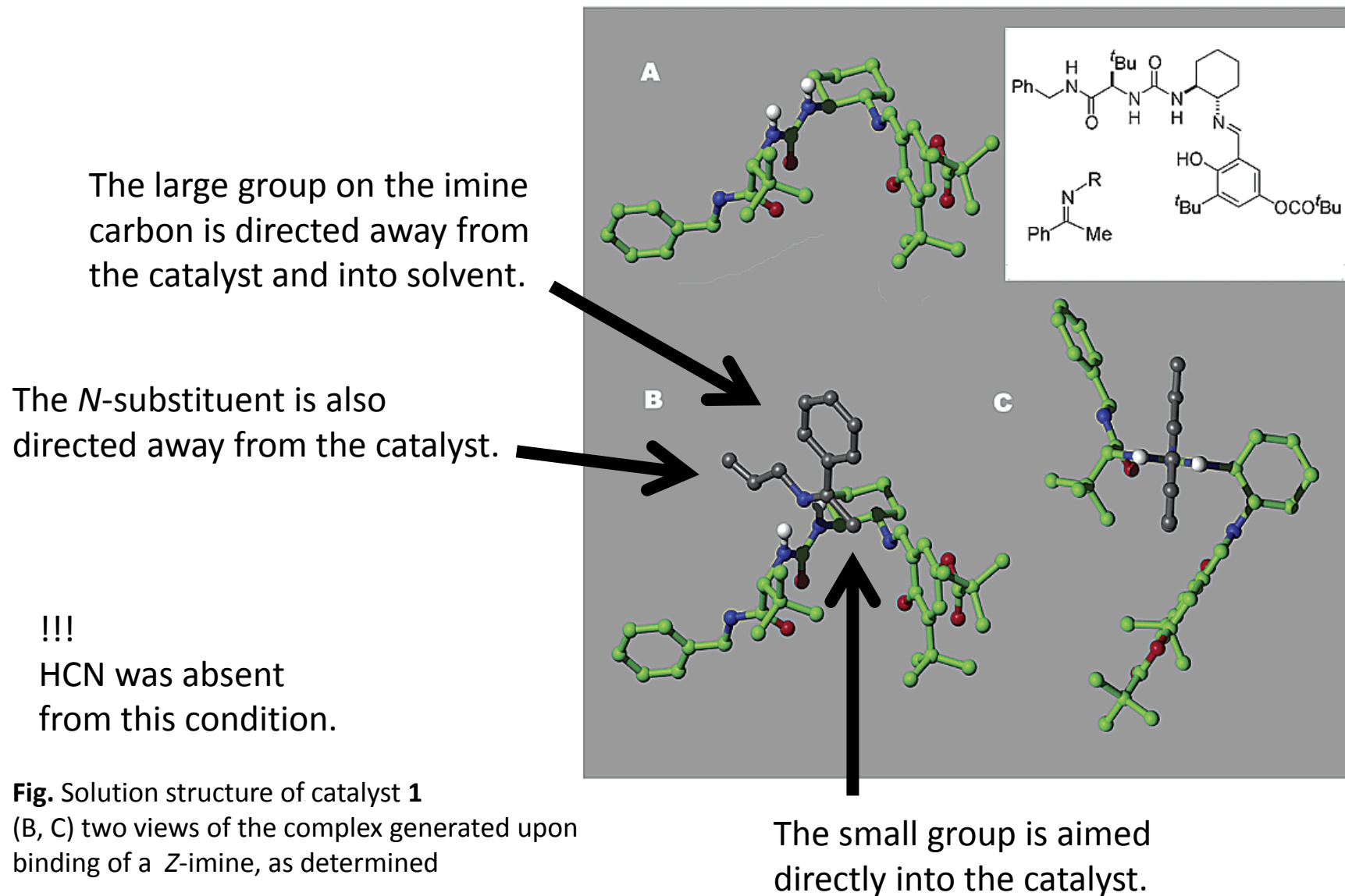
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	R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	R <sup>3</sup>	catalyst 1	catalyst 6
1	<i>i</i> -Pr	H	Ph	80	97
2	<i>n</i> -Pent	H	Ph	79	96
3	<i>t</i> -Bu	Me	Ph	70	86
4	Ph	Me	<i>p</i> -BrC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	92	96
5	<i>t</i> -Bu	H	Ph	96	99.3
6	Ph	H	Ph	96	99.3

catalyst	ee <sup>a</sup> (%)	catalyst	ee <sup>a</sup> (%)
1	80.0	4	95.8
2	93.5	5	96.6
3	93.1	6	97.0



# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 1-2

## Solution structure of Catalyst and Aldimine



**Fig.** Solution structure of catalyst **1**  
(B, C) two views of the complex generated upon binding of a *Z*-imine, as determined

# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-1

## Improvement in 2009 Nature

Report in 2002:

o High yield and ee

× Cryogenic temperatures

× Hazardous cyanide source

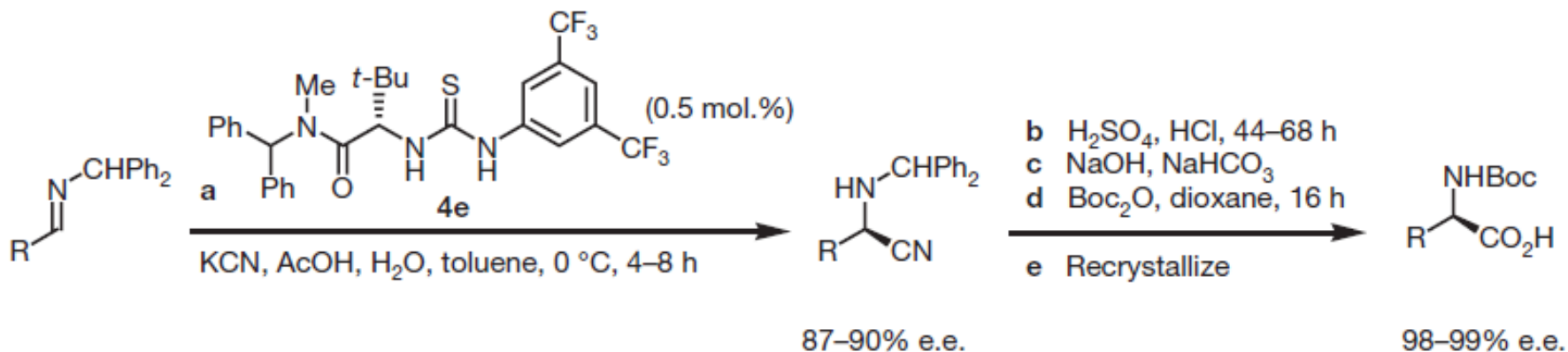
× Synthesis of the catalyst requires eight steps.

2009:

0 °C

KCN/AcOH

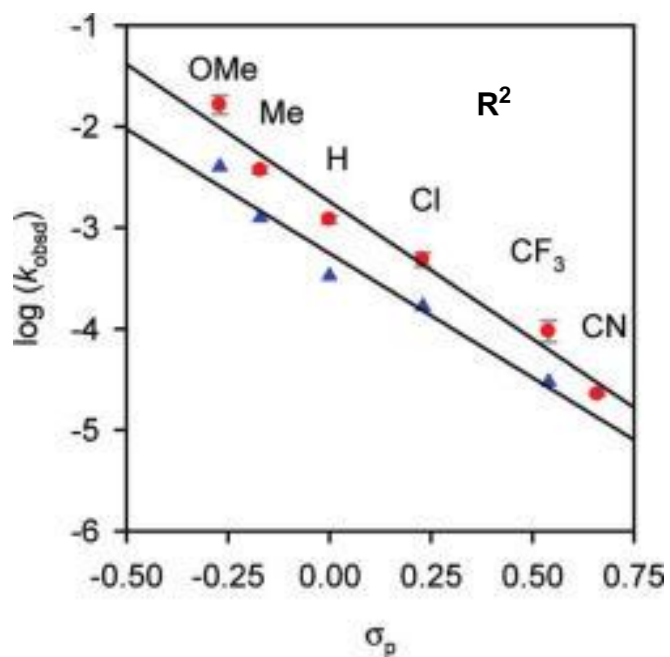
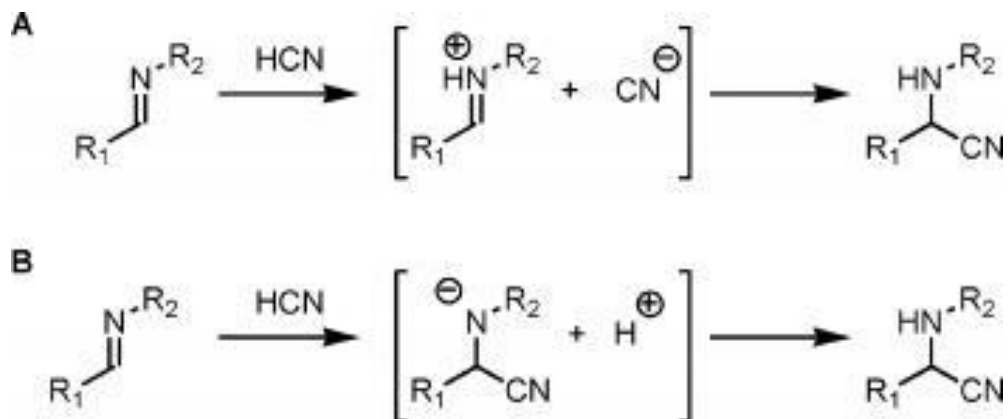
Three steps



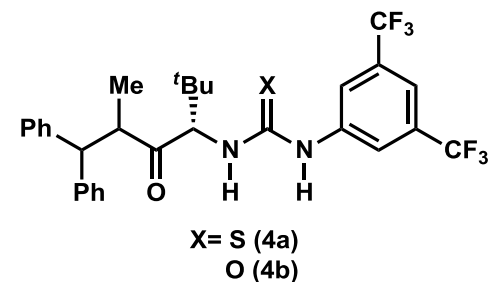
**Fig.** Potassium cyanidemediated Strecker synthesis. **a**, Catalyst **4e** (0.5 mol.%), KCN (2 equiv.), acetic acid (AcOH, 1.2 equiv.), H<sub>2</sub>O (4 equiv.), toluene, 0 °C, 44–68 h. **b**, Aqueous H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and HCl, 120 °C, 44–68 h. **c**, NaOH, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. **d**, Di-tert-butyl dicarbonate (Boc<sub>2</sub>O, 2.5–3 equiv.), dioxane, 16 h. **e**, Recrystallize directly from hexanes/diethyl ether or as the tert-butylamine (t-BuNH<sub>2</sub>) salt from tetrahydrofuran/ethanol.

# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-2

(Mechanistic Study) Via Cation or Anion ??



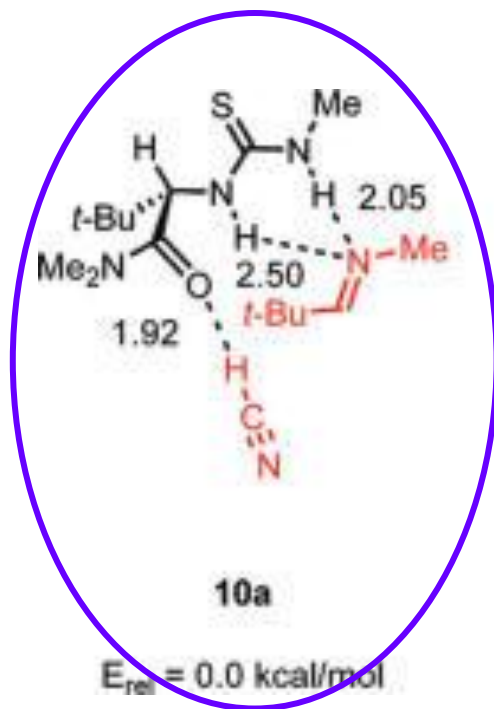
**Figure 4.** Rate dependence of imine hydrocyanation catalyzed by **4a** or **4b** on substrate electronic properties. Plot of the logarithm of pseudofirst-order rate constant ( $\log(k_{\text{obsd}})$ ) versus  $\sigma_p$  for the hydrocyanation of p-substituted imines **2b-2g** ( $[2]_i = 0.040$  M) by TMSCN/MeOH (0.50 M) mediated by thiourea catalyst **4a** ( $[\text{cat}]_{\text{tot}} = 0.0020$  M, ●) or urea catalyst **4b** ( $[\text{cat}]_{\text{tot}} = 0.0020$  M, ▲) versus  $\sigma_p$ .



➔ Hydrocyanation proceeded via cation species.

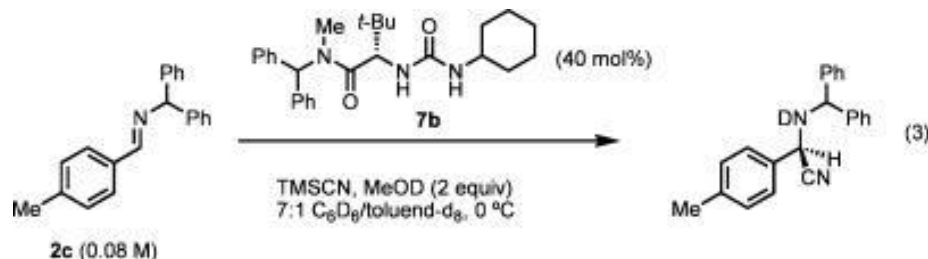
# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-3

(Mechanistic Study) What Protonated Imine??



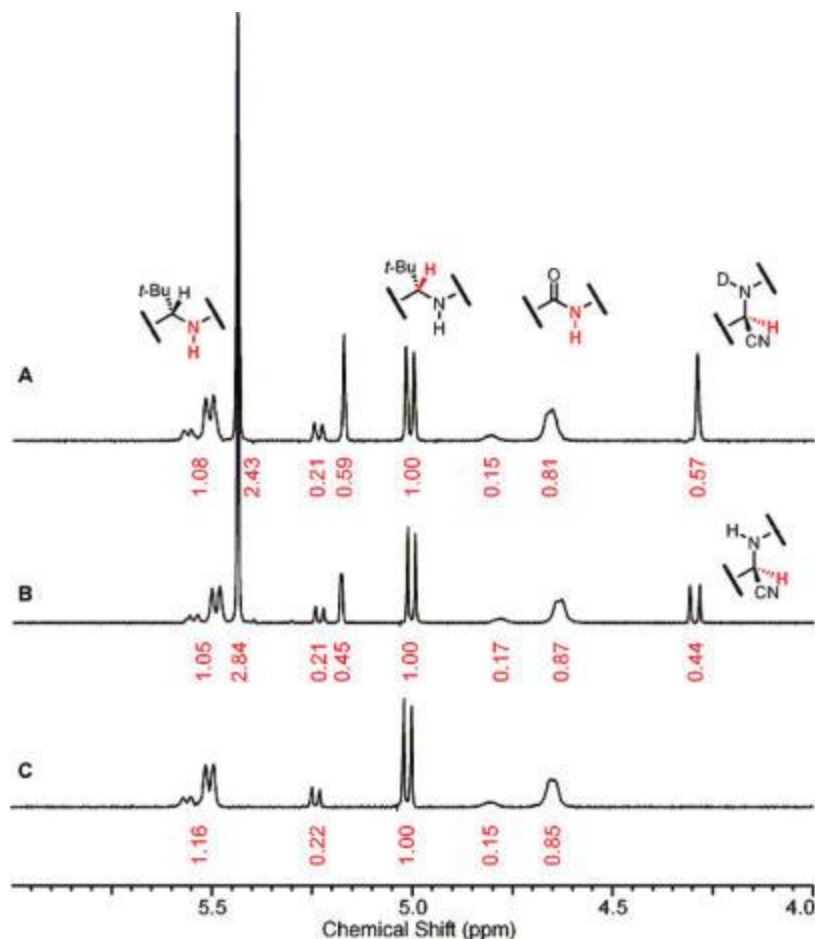
# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-4

(Mechanistic Study) What Protonated Imine??



NH on urea was not exchanged to D.  
D was observed on nitrogen in TM.

Urea didn't protonate imine, i. e., to give TM, the interaction between the urea and the substrate was not necessary.



DCN, catalyst **7b**  
and imine **2h**

HCN, catalyst **7b**  
and imine **2h**

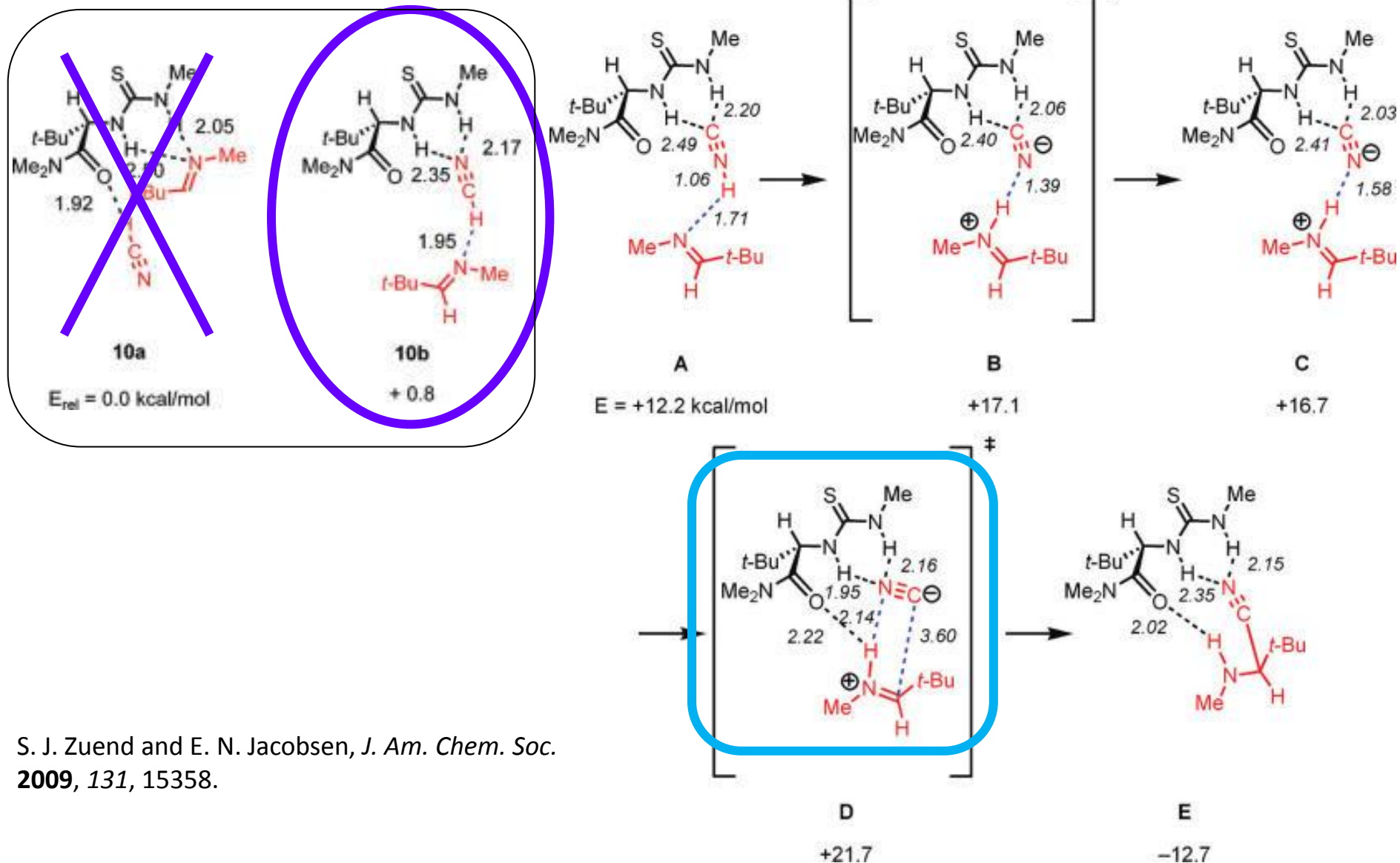
DCN and catalyst **7b**

**Figure** Partial  $^1H$  NMR spectra of reactions depicted in eq 3 after 25 min. Data were collected at 32 °C. Under these conditions, the catalyst exists as a 5:1 mixture of amide rotamers. HCN and DCN were generated from TMSCN and MeOH or MeOD. The enantiomeric excess of the  $\alpha$ -aminonitrile isolated from these reactions is 84-85%.

S. J. Zuend and E. N. Jacobsen, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2009**, *131*, 15358.

# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-5

(Mechanistic Study) Enantioselectivity-Determining Step



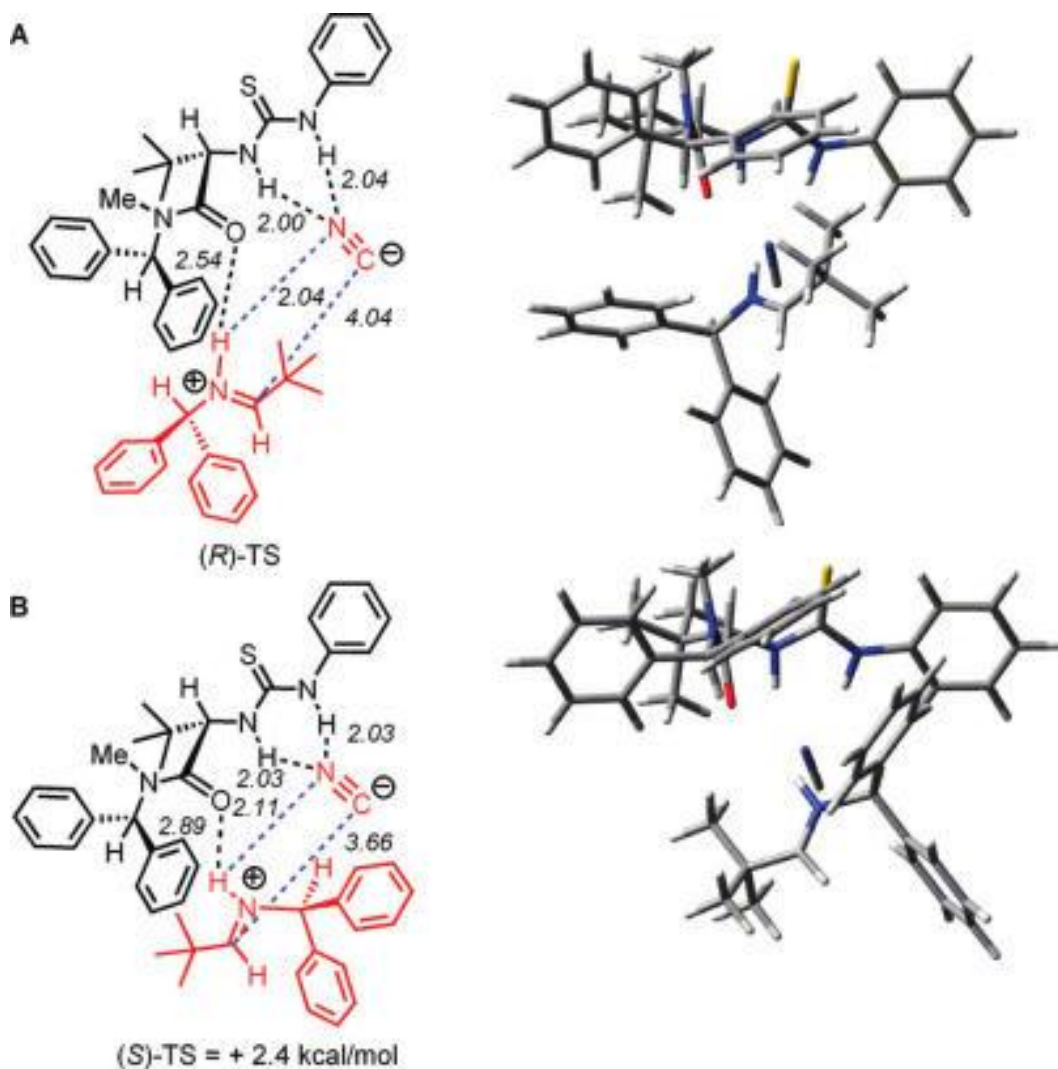
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2009, 131, 15358.

**Scheme 8.** Catalyst-Controlled, HNC-Mediated Imine Hydrocyanation 30



# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-6

## (Mechanistic Study) *Enantioselectivity*



**Figure 13.** Calculated transition structures for HNC addition to imine **2a** catalyzed by **6a**. Transition structures leading to the (A) major and (B) minor enantiomer are shown.

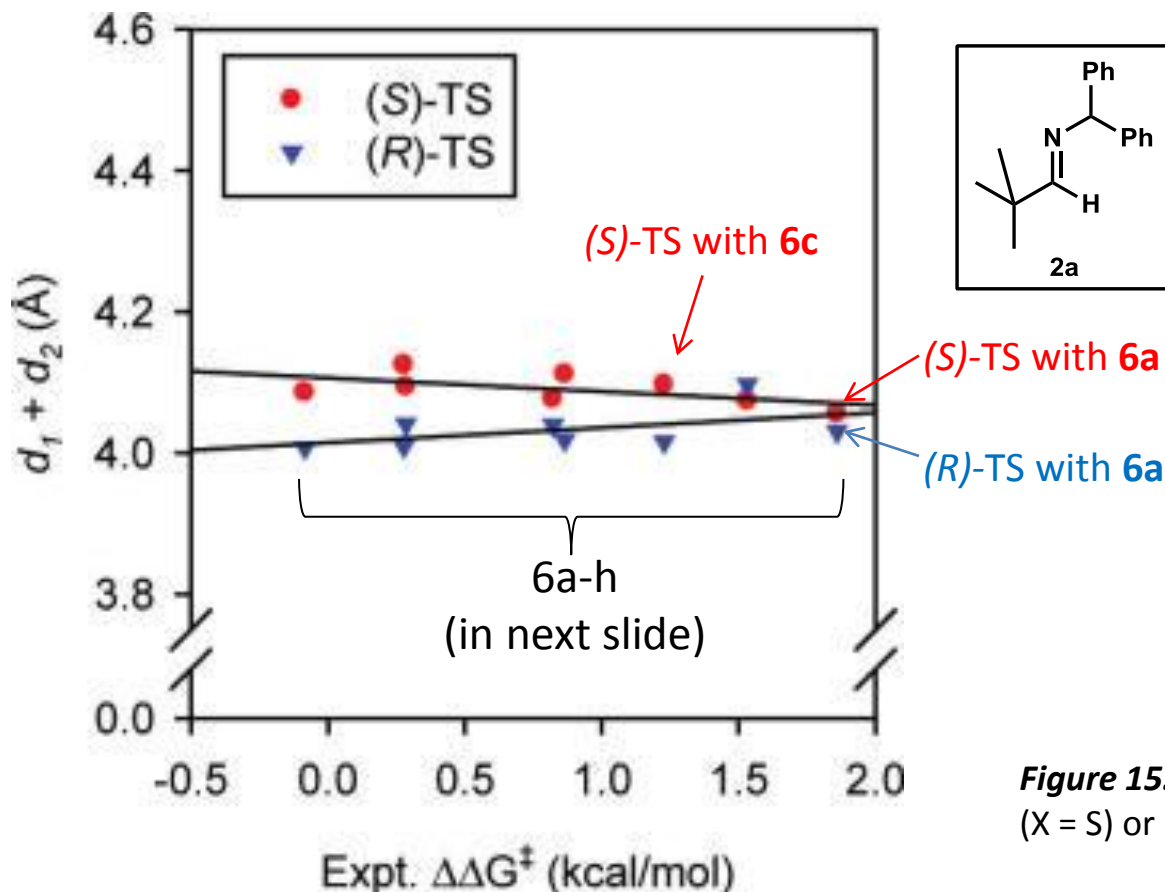
There are no apparent “steric clashes” that might explain why some transition structures are significantly higher in energy than the one leading to (R)-TM with catalyst.

Why **A** is more stable than **B** ??

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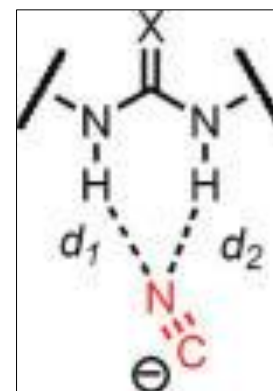
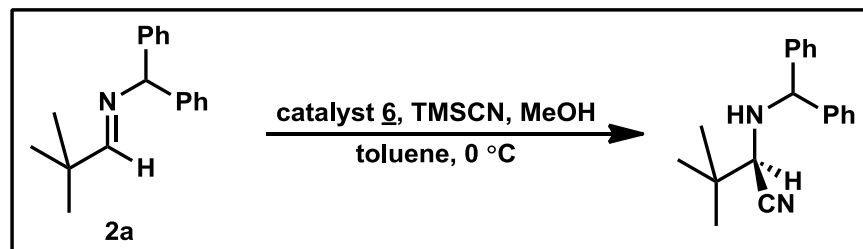
# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-7

(Mechanistic Study) Focus on the Distance between Catalysts and Cyanide Anion



**Figure 16.** Correlation of transition structure bond length with enantioselectivity for HNC addition to imine **2a**. Plot of the sum of the cyanide-(thio)urea H-bond lengths in B3LYP/6-31G(d) transition structures versus experimental energy difference between (R)- and (S)-transition states.

$$\Delta\Delta G^\ddagger = -RT\ln([R]/[S])$$



**Figure 15.** H-bond distances between thiourea (X = S) or urea (X = O) and cyanide anion.

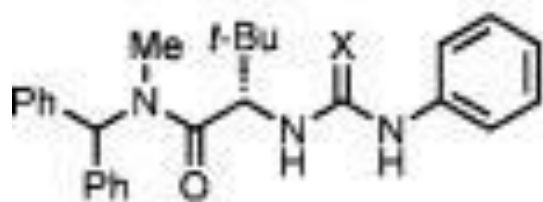
Smaller  $d_1+d_2$  = More stable complex

There was few difference of the sums (=d1+d2) between (S)-TS and (R)-TS.

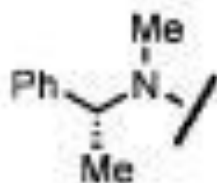
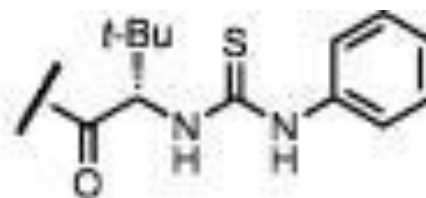


# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-8

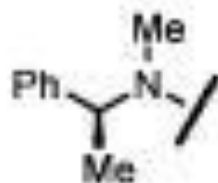
Structures of 6a - h



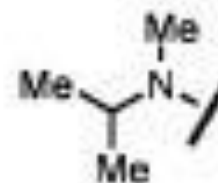
6a: X = S  
6b: X = O



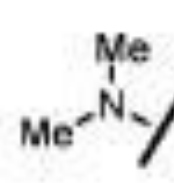
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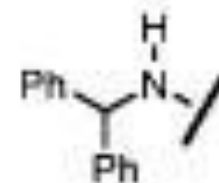
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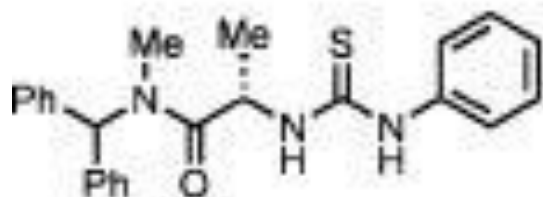
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6f



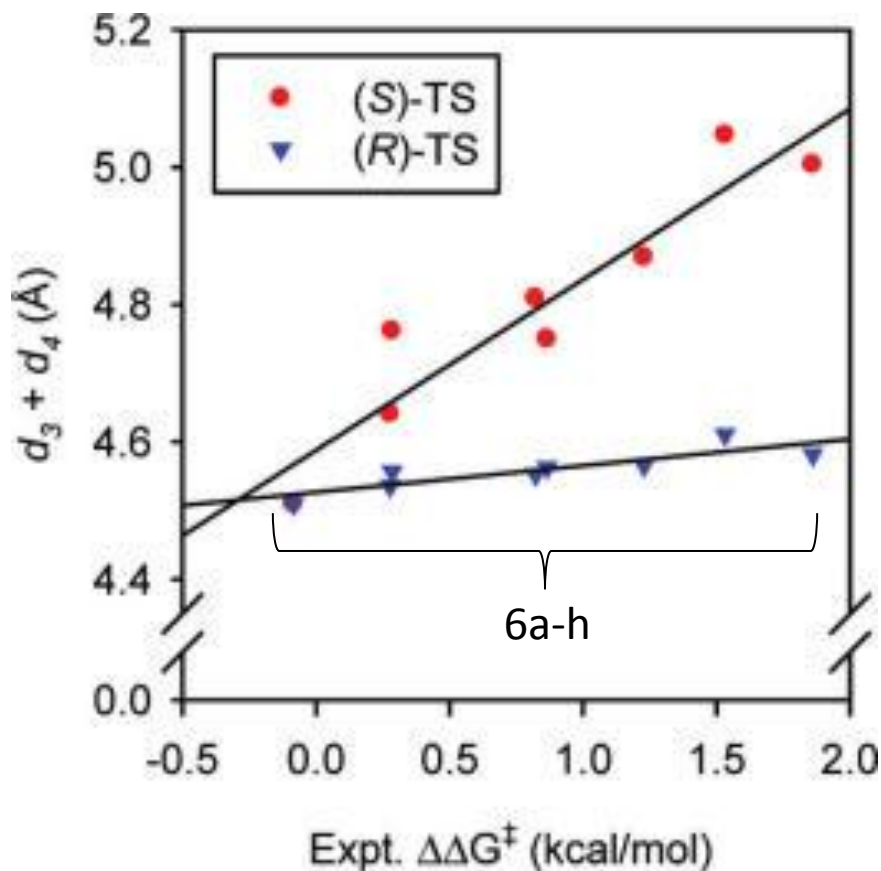
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6h

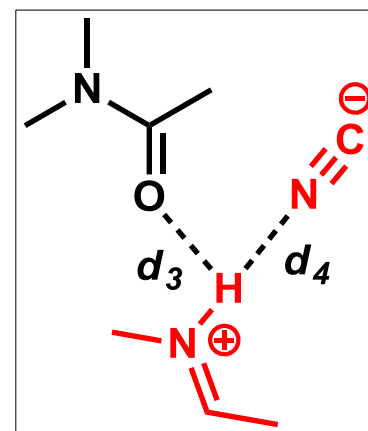
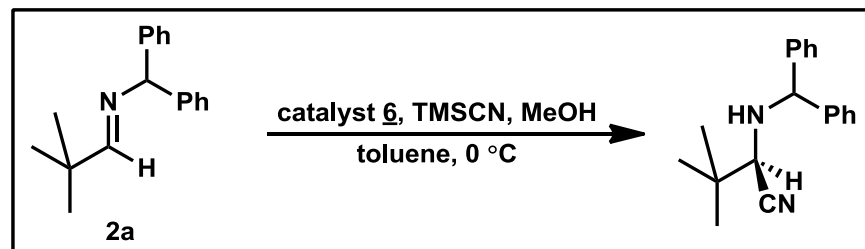
# Activation of Hydrogen Cyanide --Strecker Reaction 2-9

(Mechanistic Study) Focus on the Distance of Another Part of the Complex



**Figure 18.** Correlation of transition structure bond length with enantioselectivity for HNC addition to imine **2a**. Plot of the sum of the cyanide *N*-iminium H + amide *O*-iminium H bond lengths in B3LYP/6-31G(d) transition structures versus experimental energy difference between (*R*)- and (*S*)-transition structures.

$$\Delta\Delta G^\ddagger = -RT\ln([R]/[S])$$



**Figure 17.** H-bond distances between catalyst and iminium and between cyanide anion and iminium.

The basis for enantioselectivity:  
Degrees of iminium ion stabilization

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# Gelation using H-bond 1

## Structures and Gel/sol images

Compound(s) in MCH at elevated temperature .  $\xrightarrow{\text{Cooling to rt}}$  Gel or sol ??

Fig. 1 Structure of the ESDA and the NDI derivatives.

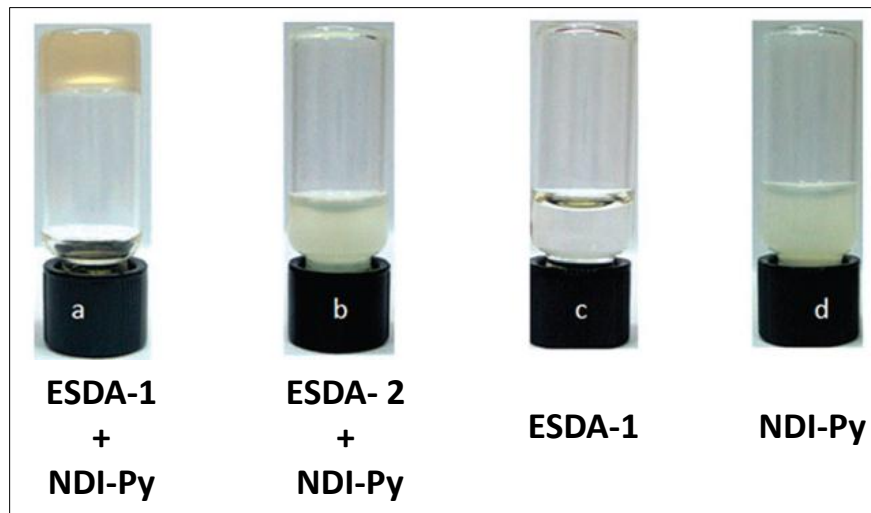
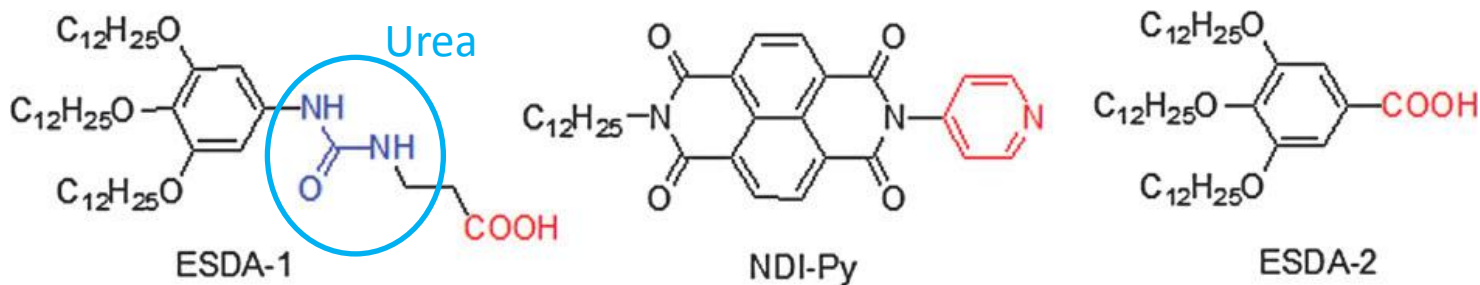


Fig. 2 Gel/sol images.  
Total concentration in each case = 0.3 wt%.

ESDA : external structure directing agent  
NDI: naphthalene-diimide  
MCH: methylcyclohexane

Only ESDA-1 and NDI-Py mixture lead to gelation.

For gelation, both the urea core and the  $\pi$ -conjugated chromophore were needed.

# Gelation using H-bond 2

## Proposed model of gelation

ESDA : external structure directing agent

NDI: naphthalene-diimide

MCH: methylcyclohexane

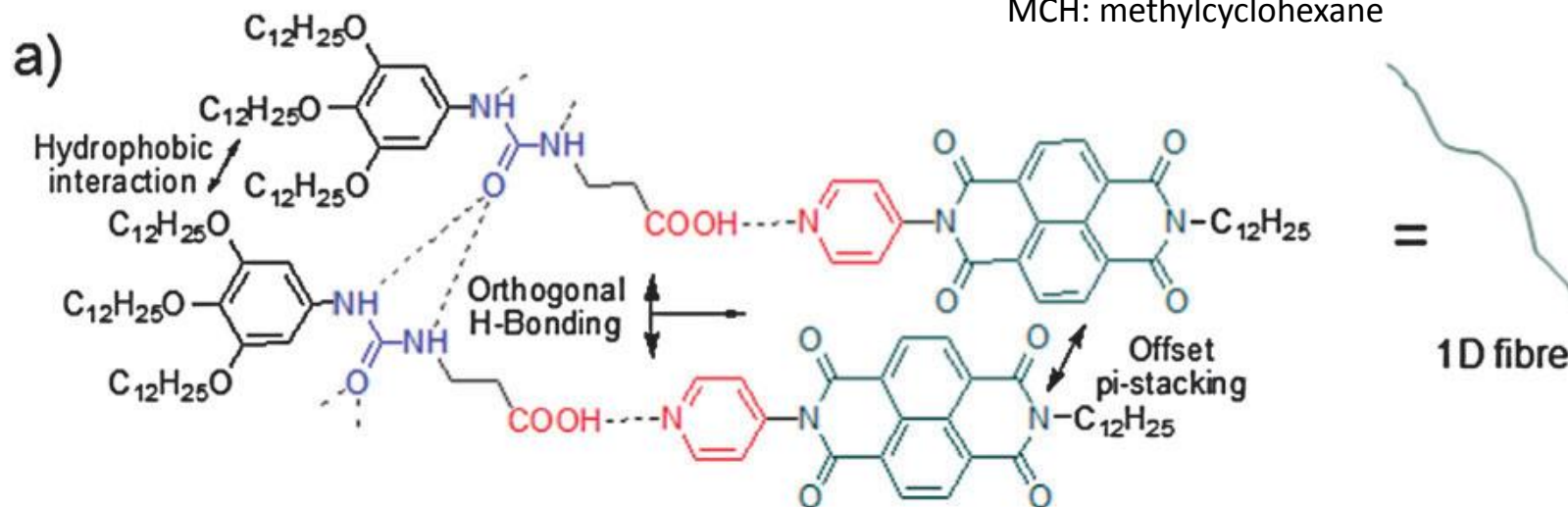
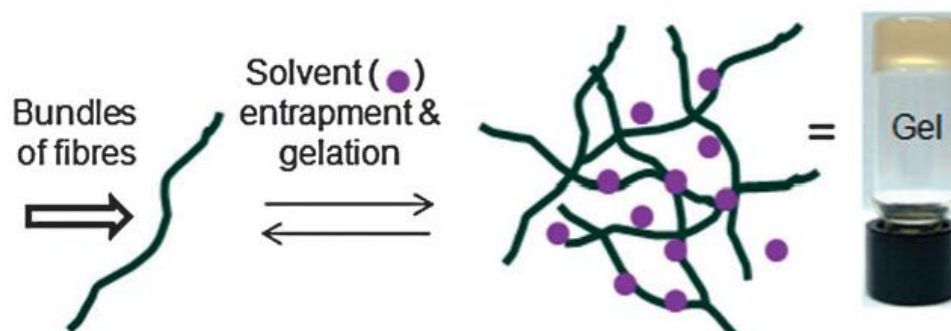


Fig. (a) Proposed model of gelation by H-bonded assembly of ESDA-1 + NDI-Py.

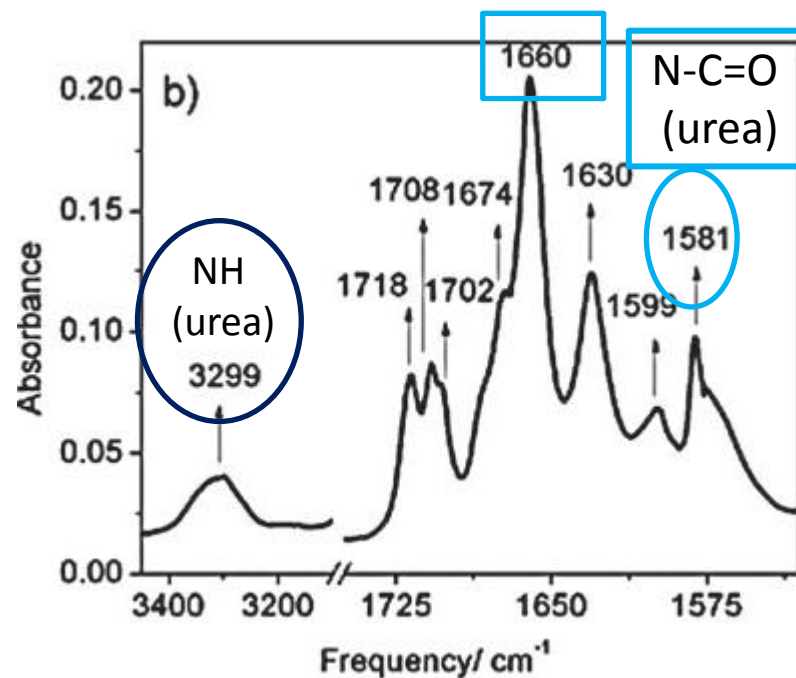
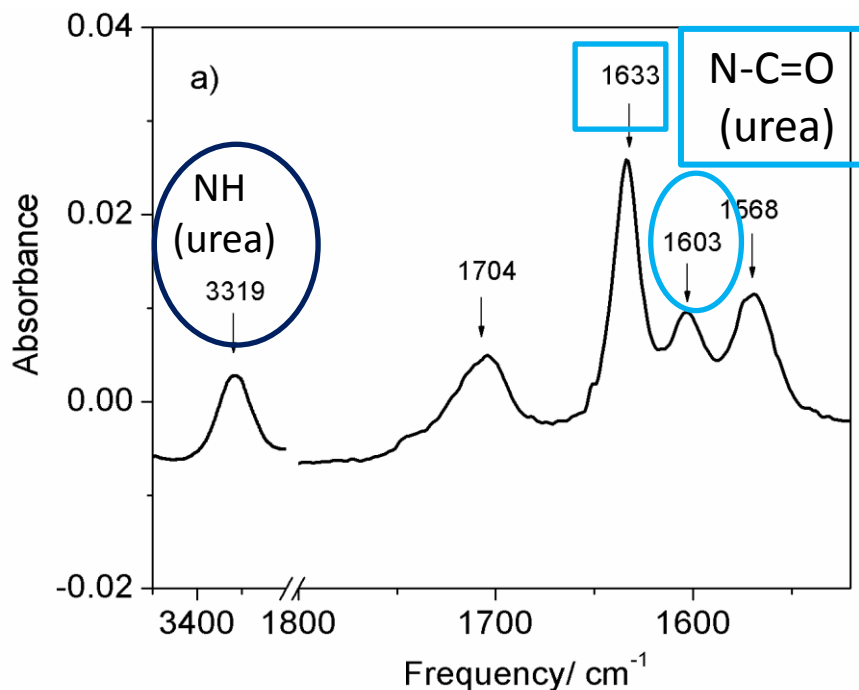
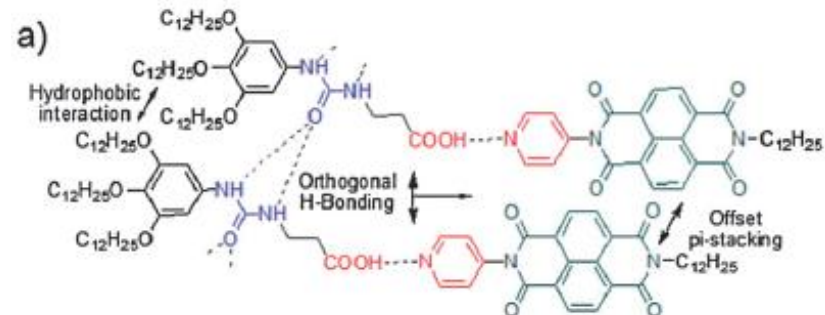
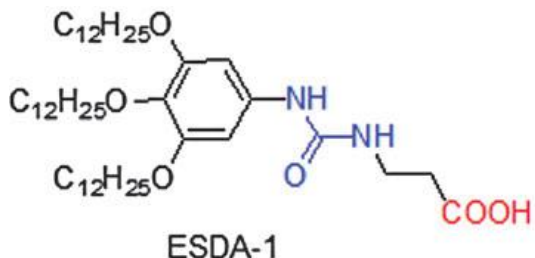


General characteristics of fibrillar gel:  
Superior abilities to transport of charge carriers.  
Highly unpredictable photophysical properties.

S. Ghoust, *et al*, *Chem. Comm.* **2012**,  
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# Gelation using H-bond 3

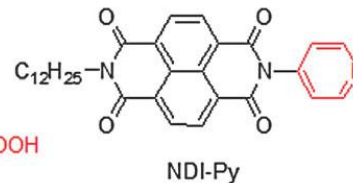
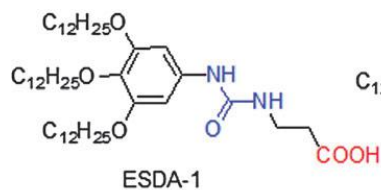
## Experiment for Checking H-bond



**Fig.** Selected region of the FT-IR spectrum of **(a)** ESDA-1 (0.5 wt %), **(b)** ESDA-1 + NDI-Py gel in MCH (1 wt%).  
Frequency shift of NH and N-C=O to low energy(right) showed H-bond.

# Gelation using H-bond 4

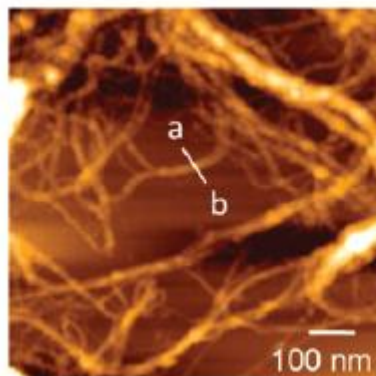
## Physical Properties – Morphology



### 3. Material

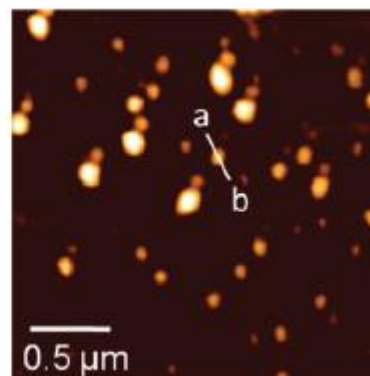


ESDA-1 + NDI-Py



Micrometer long fibers  
→ Gel

ESDA-2 + NDI-Py



discontinuous spheres  
→ no Gel

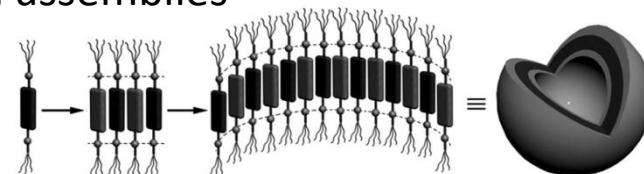
Fig. AFM images.

#### ESDA-1 + NDI-Py:

H-bonding among the urea groups  
and  $\pi$ -stacking among NDI-Py  
→ the 1D assembly is too rigid to fold  
→ fibrillar morphology

#### ESDA-2 + NDI-Py:

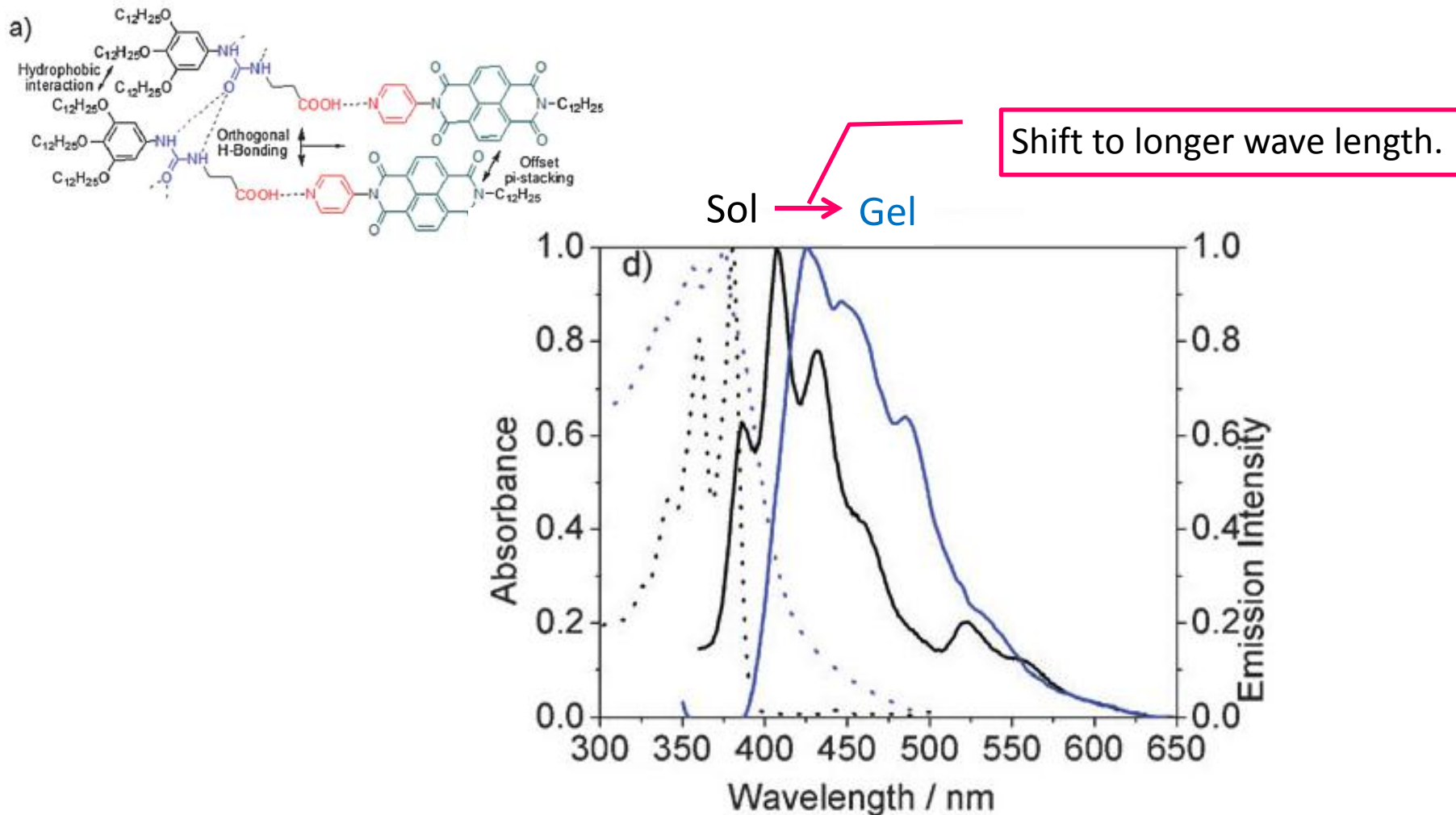
$\pi$ -stacking among NDI-Py alone  
→ spherical assemblies





# Gelation using H-bond 5

## Physical Properties --Photoluminescence



**Fig.** Intensity normalized absorption (dashed line) and emission (solid line) spectra of gel (blue) and sol (black). Concentration of each component in gel (MCH) and sol (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) state=2.0 mM and 0.025 mM, respectively for UV/vis and PL experiments



## Physical Properties --Electrical Conductivity ( $\sigma$ )

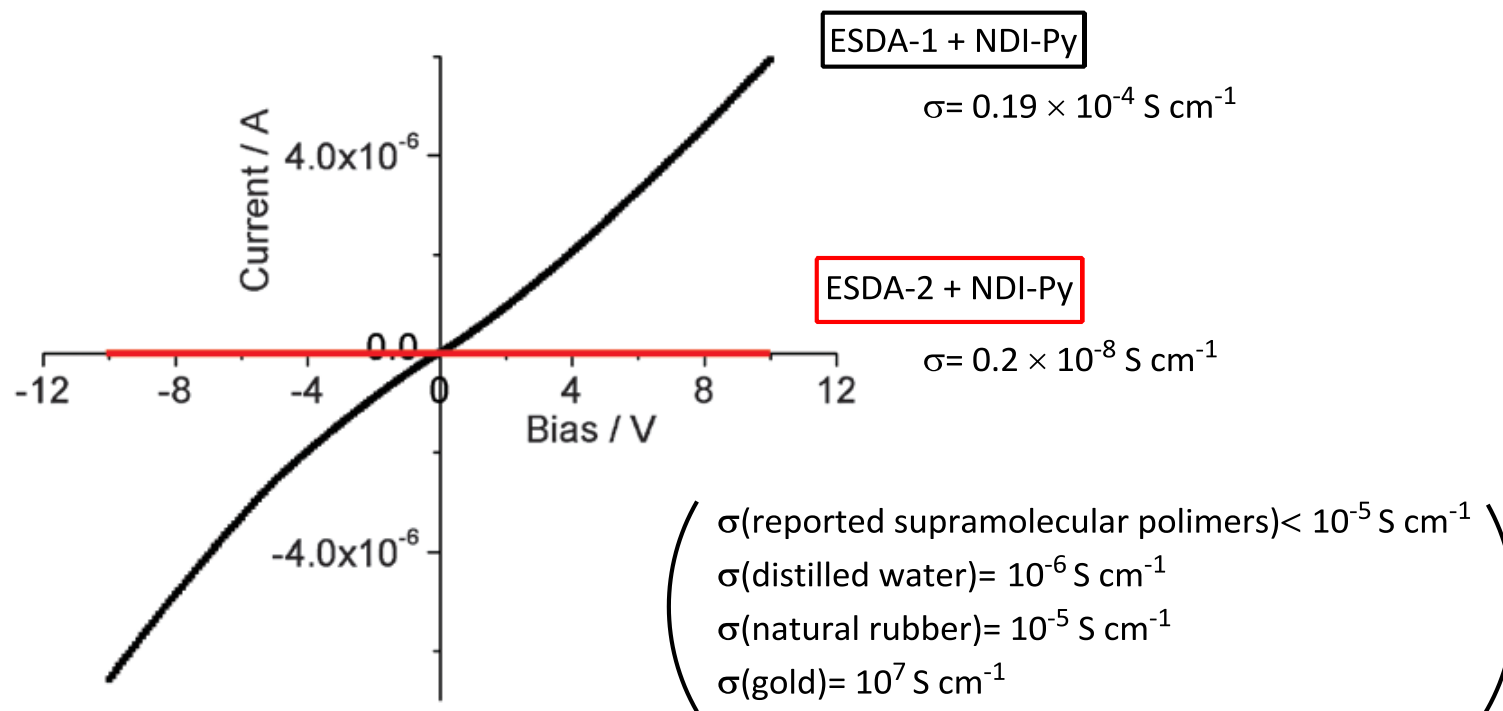


Fig. 4 I-V measurement data.

ESDA-1/NDI-Py gel had good electrical conductivity.

S. Ghoust, *et al*, *Chem. Commun.* **2012**, asap, DOI: 10.1039/c2cc36536g.

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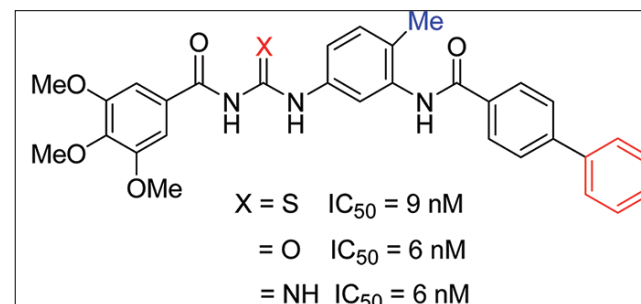
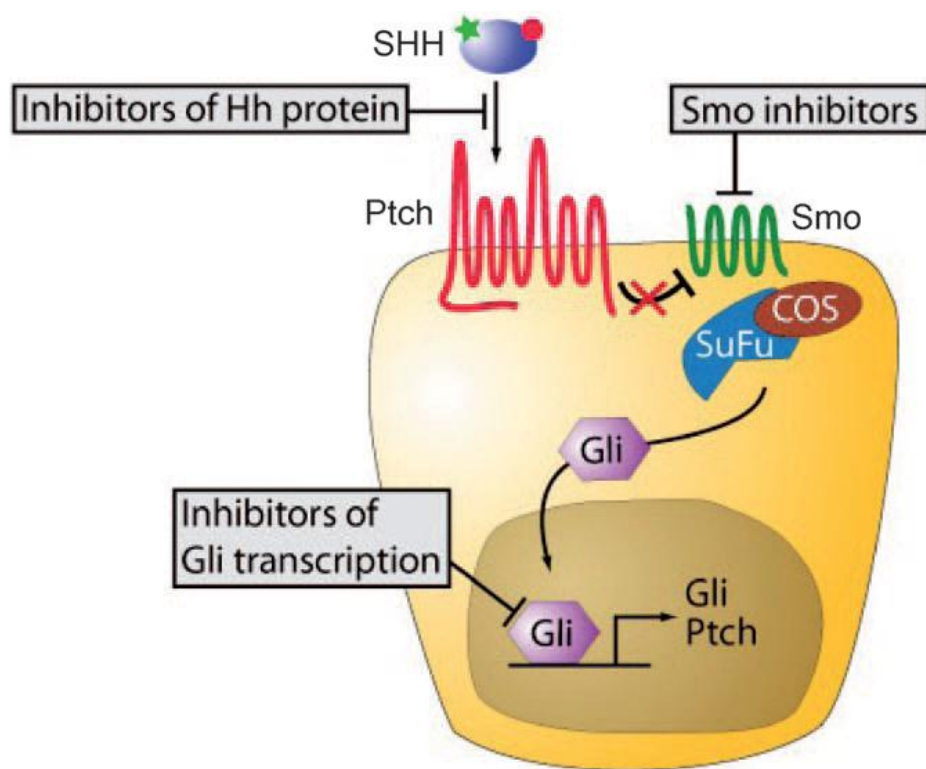
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## About Hedgehog (Hh) Signaling Pathway and Medulloblastomas

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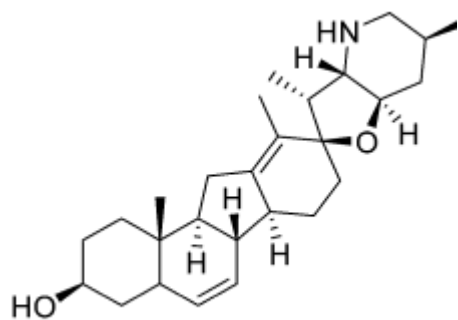


**Fig. 1** Components of the Hh signal pathway and molecular sites targeted by Hh pathway inhibitors.

# Anticancer activity using H-bond 2

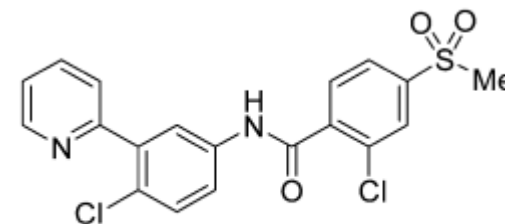
## 4. Bioactive compound

### Smo inhibitors



Cyclopamine ( $IC_{50}$  = 100 nM)

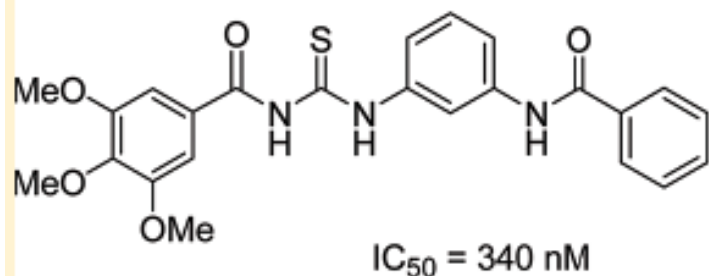
Isolated from *Veratrum grandiflorum*  
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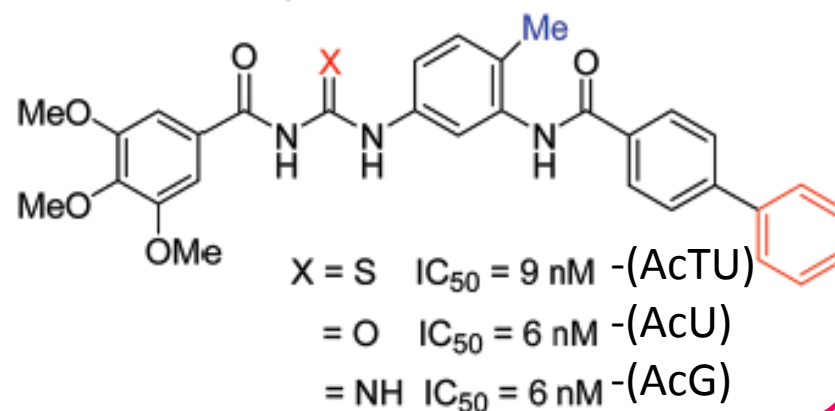
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- In clinical trials (Phase II)
- Smo mutation and the resistance was observed in mice.

From virtual screening



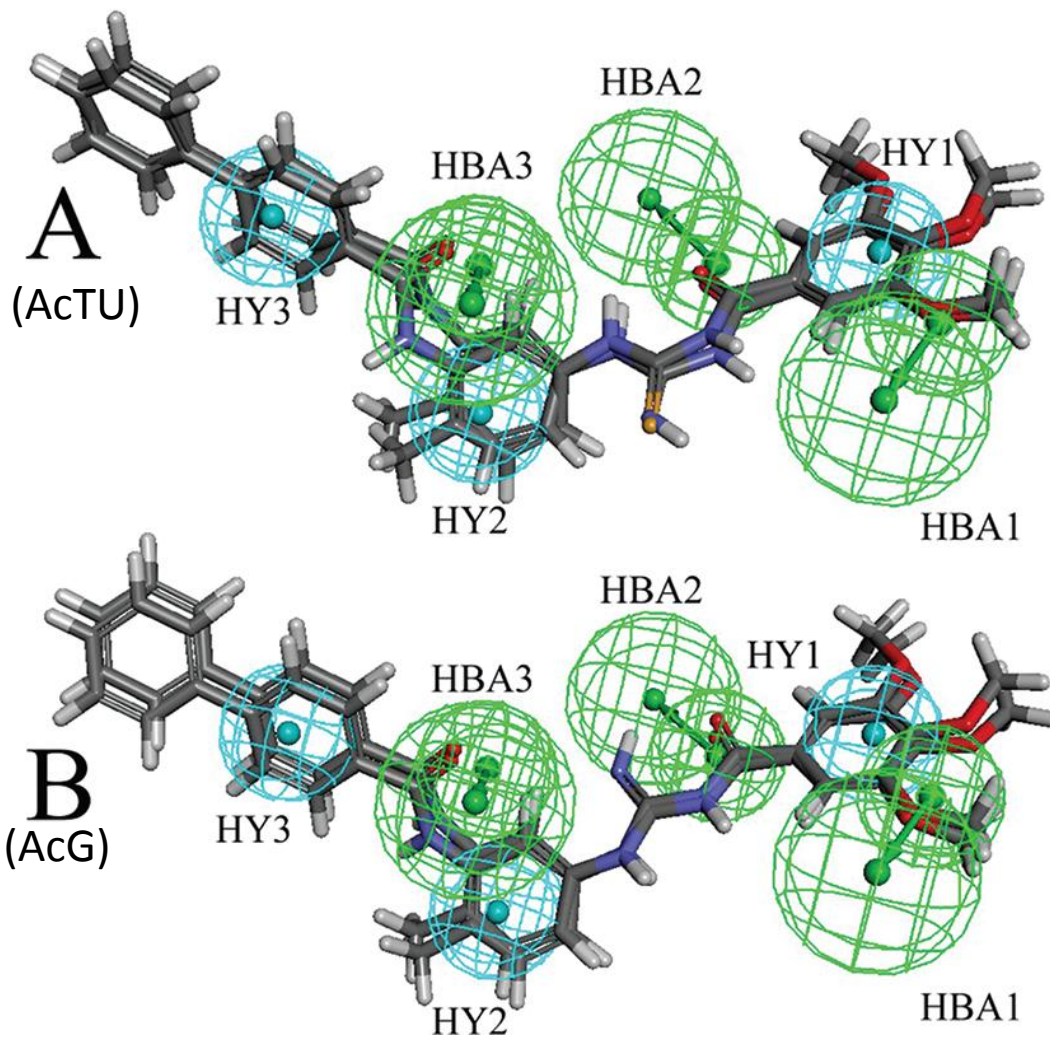
To optimized structures



T. Hasammune, *et al*, *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1964**, 16, 193.  
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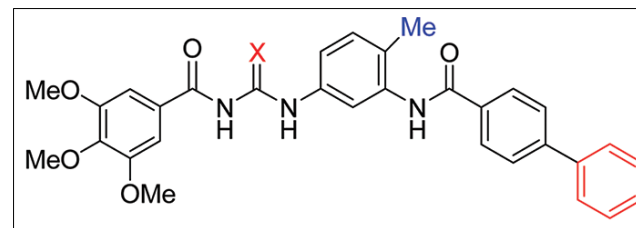
## Proposed Fitting Model



HBA: hydrogen bond acceptor groups

HY: hydrophobic regions

## 4. Bioactive compound



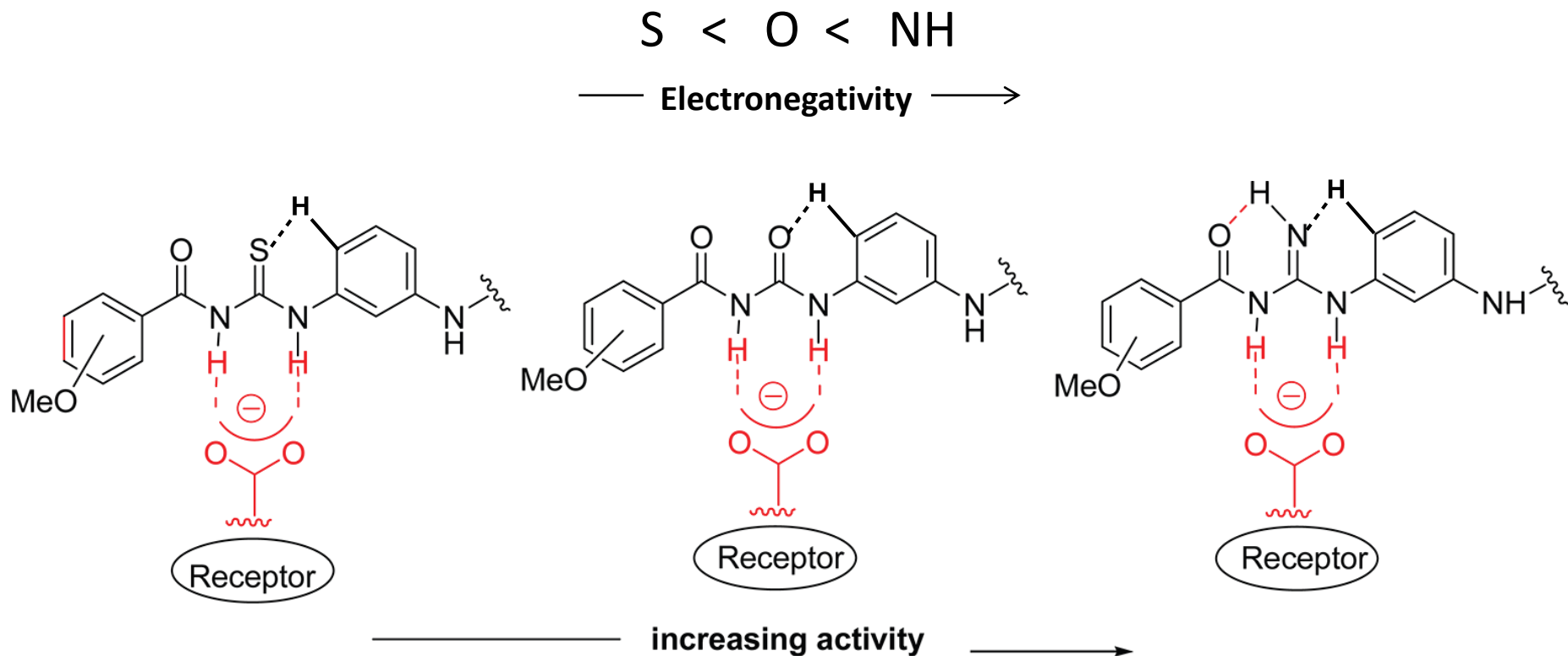
AcTU and AcG had the same pharmacophore as the compound reported to be active as Smo inhibitor.

**Fig.** Compounds in two different conformations layout (**A,B**) with the pharmacophoric model for Smo antagonists. HBA features are constituted by a smaller sphere accommodating the hydrogen bond acceptor group, by a directionality vector represented by an arrow, and by a larger sphere intended to allocate the hydrogen bond donor group of the target macromolecule.

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4. Bioactive compound

## Involvement of H-bond



**Scheme** Proposed H-Bonding Network for the Three Bio-isosteric Structures AcTU, AcU, and AcG towards a Putative Carboxylate Located on Smo (in Agreement with the Conformations of AcTU and AcG Shown in the previous slide).

## 1. Introduction

Hydrogen bond  
Organocatalyst  
Urea/Thiourea

Urea has an ability to play important roles in various areas.

## 2. Organocatalysis

Pioneering Studies

Recognizing Carbonyl

Nitro Group

Sulfonate

Hydrogen Cyanide

Activation of substrates via oxygen atoms.

Activation of substrates via the ion different from the substrate.

Activation of reagents via nitrogen atoms.

## 3. Material

## 4. Bioactive compound

## 5. Summary

Urea for gel.

Urea for anti-cancer activity.

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Thank you.

