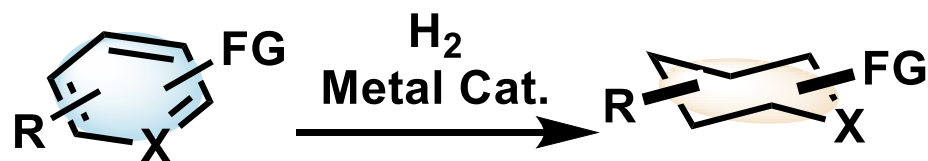


Hydrogenation of Arenes for Organic Synthesis



Literature Seminar #3

2020/10/23

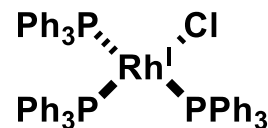
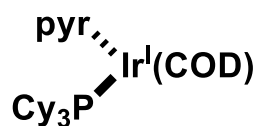
M2 Yuki Hirao

Catalytic Hydrogenation

✓ Hydrogenation of unsaturated compounds has been intensively studied and is considered as a versatile method for the synthesis of new compounds.

Pd/C

PtO₂



+ H₂

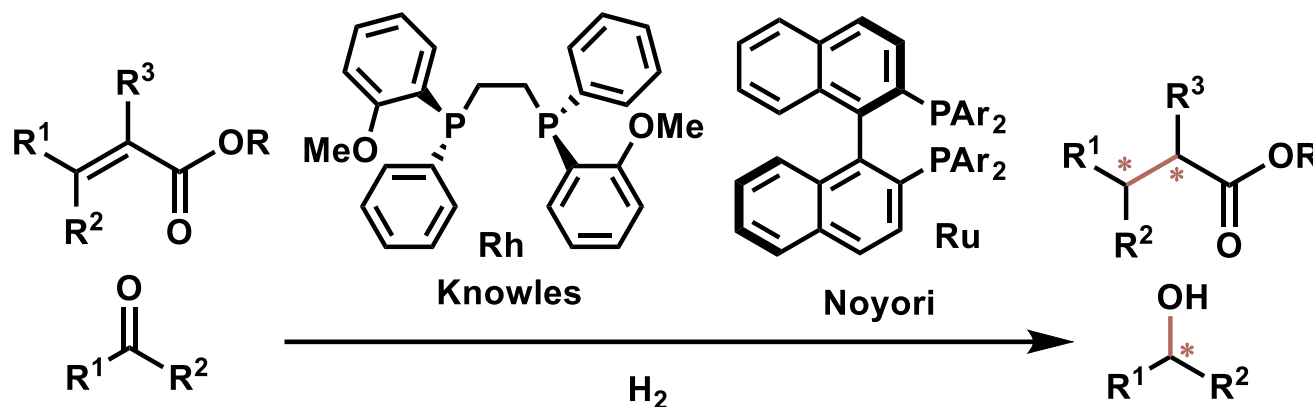
Pd(OH)₂

Raney Ni

Crabtree's cat

Wilkinson's cat

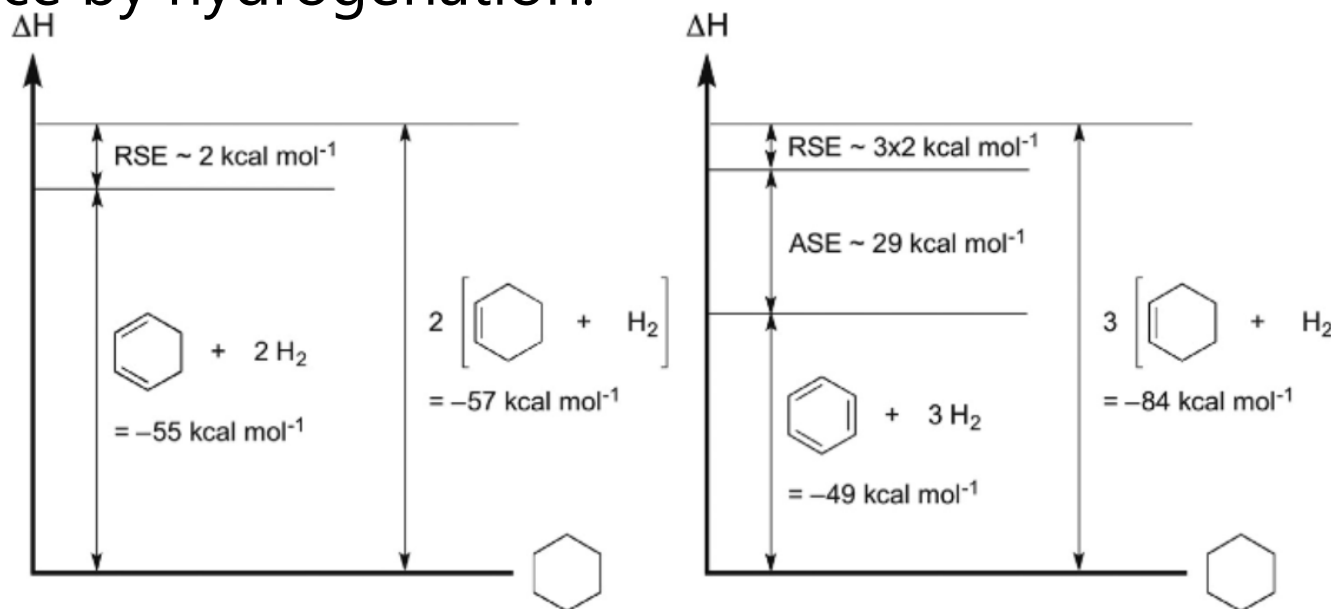
Catalytic Asymmetric Hydrogenation



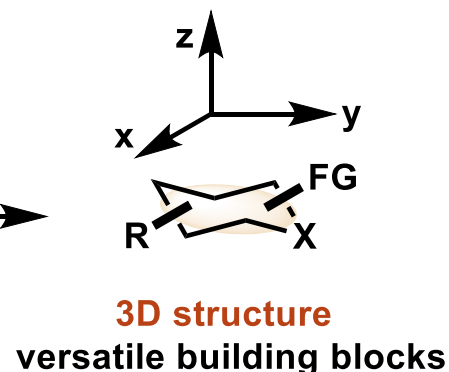
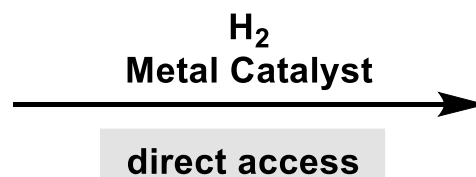
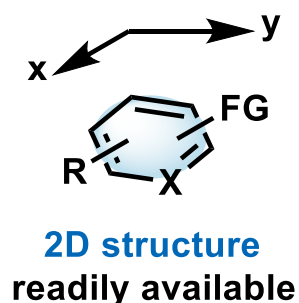
Nobel Prize in 2001

Hydrogenation of Arenes

Aromatic Stabilization Energy (ASE) contributes to the greater resistance by hydrogenation.

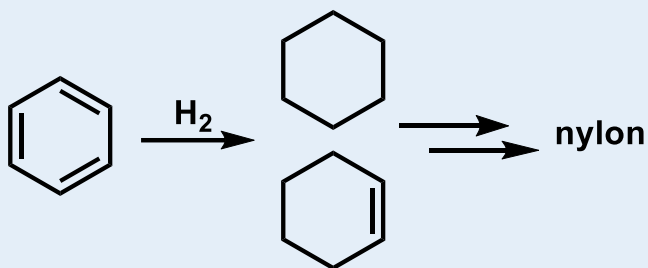


This Seminar

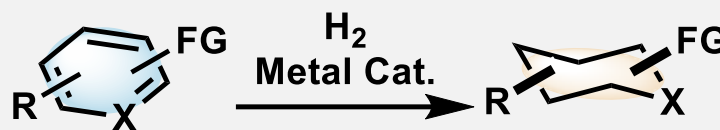
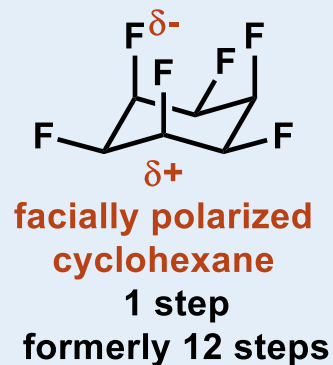


Application

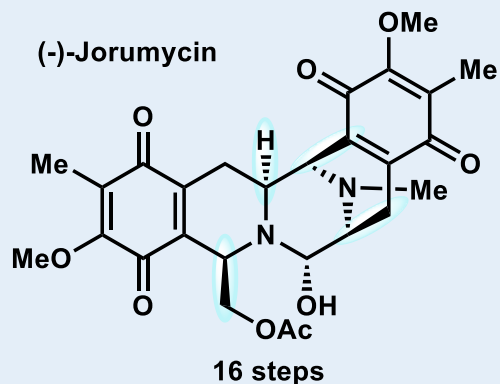
Industrial Application



Material Science

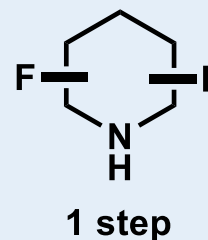


Natural Product



Medicinal Chemistry

fluorinated piperidines



Challenges

Reactivity

The hydrogenation of arenes is hindered by the added kinetic barrier resulting from the **aromatic stabilization energy**.

Stereoselectivity

The hydrogenation of multisubstituted arenes may form several **diastereomers**.
Substituted saturated carbo- & heterocycles are often **chiral**.

Chemoselectivity

Elaborate substrates often exhibit competing **side reactions**.
ex.) more reductively labile units, such as carbonyls, hydrodefunctionalizations

Contents

1. Introduction

2. Stereoselectivity

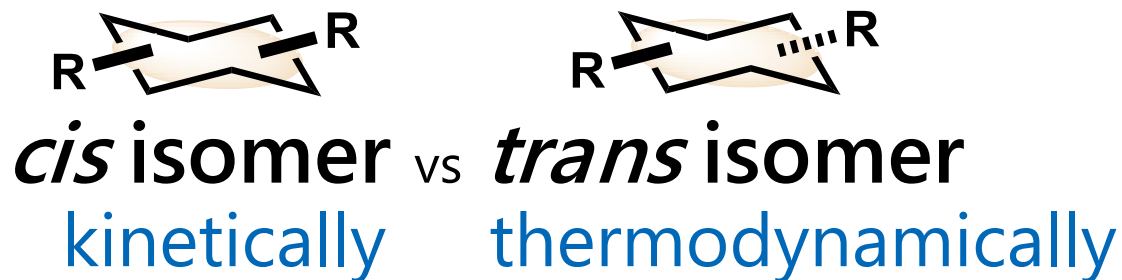
- diastereoselectivity
- enantioselectivity

3. Chemoselectivity

- FG tolerance
- mechanistic investigation

4. Summary

cis-Selectivity

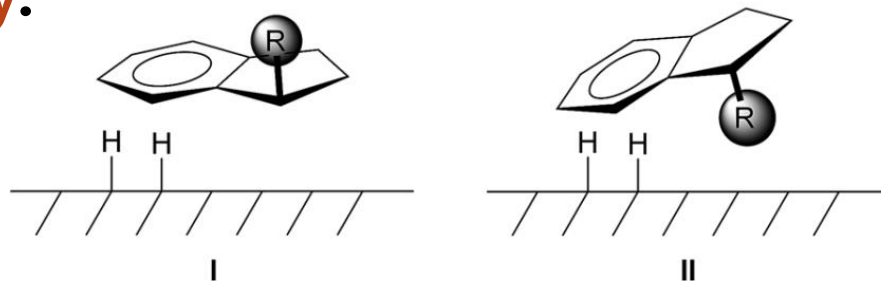


The formation of the *trans* isomer requires a **π -facial exchange** (catalyst dissociation-reassociation process).

✓ Hydrogenation of dearomatized intermediates should be faster than that of stabilized aromatic substrate.

✓ The catalyst would have to bind to the sterically more hindered π -face.

Arene hydrogenation generally proceeds with high **cis selectivity**.



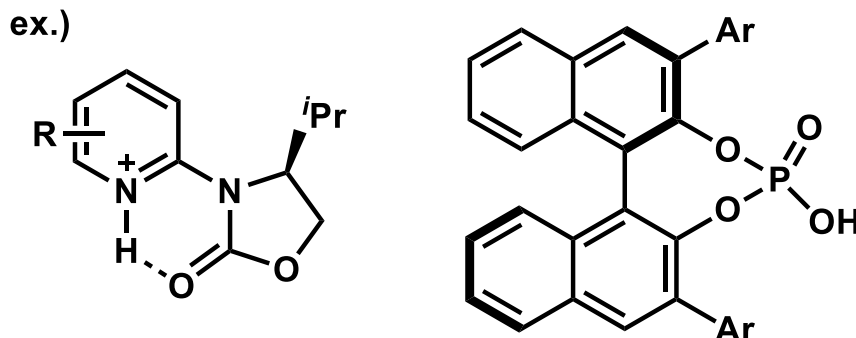
Enantioselectivity

✓ some strategies for asymmetric hydrogenation of aromatics

1. Substrate Activation:



- ✓ introduction of activator to interact with the substrate
- ✓ secondary coordination group to assist coordination between substrate and catalyst



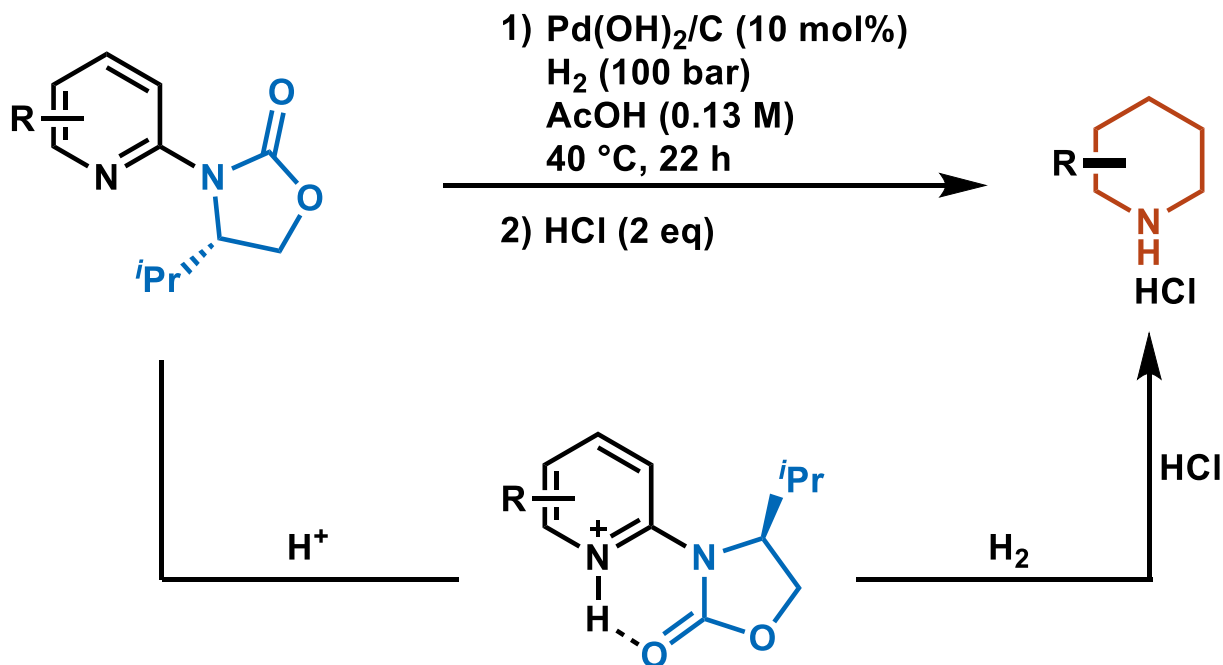
2. Catalyst Activation:



- ✓ addition of additives
- ✓ fine-tuning of steric and electronic effects of the chiral ligands

ex.)
P-P, P-N, N-N, NHC
additive

Chiral Auxiliary



R = CHO, CF₃, CONMe₂, ...

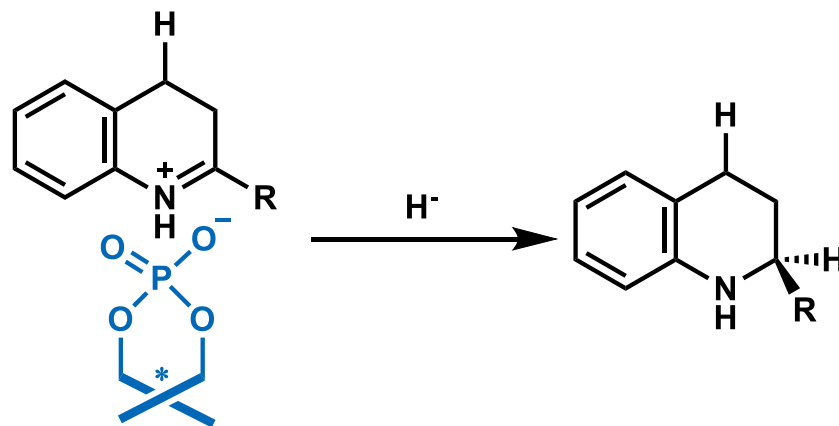
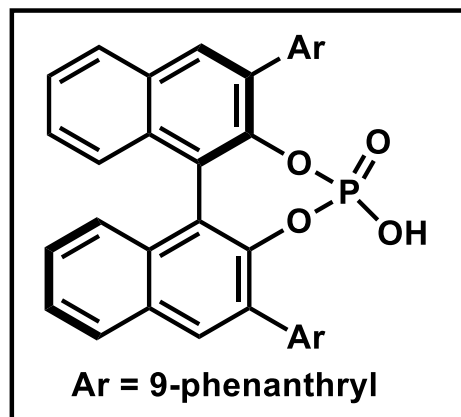
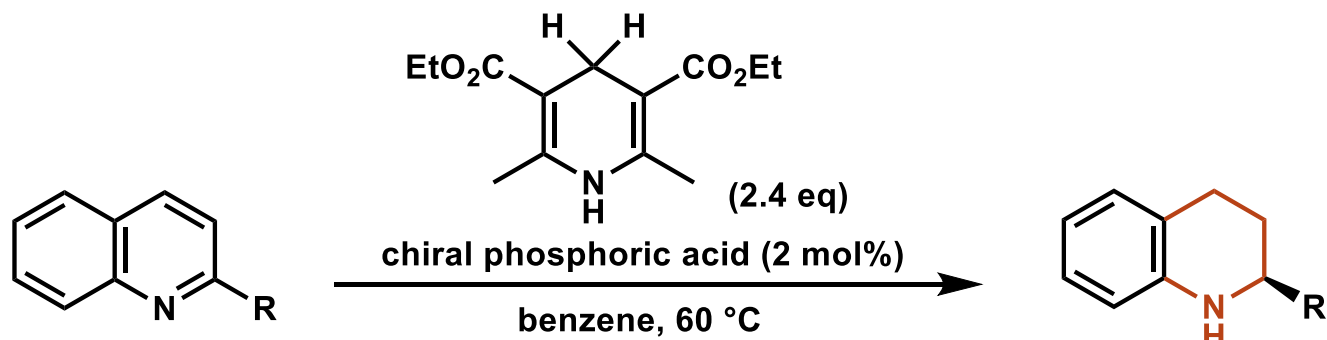
- ✓ up to 3 stereocenters
- ✓ up to 98% ee
- ✓ quantitative recovery of Evans' auxiliary

- acidic medium plays important roles
 1. formation of pyridinium ion
 2. protection of Lewis basic moiety
 3. locking the conformation of the chiral auxiliary

△ The introduction and removal of the stoichiometric chiral auxiliary must be facile

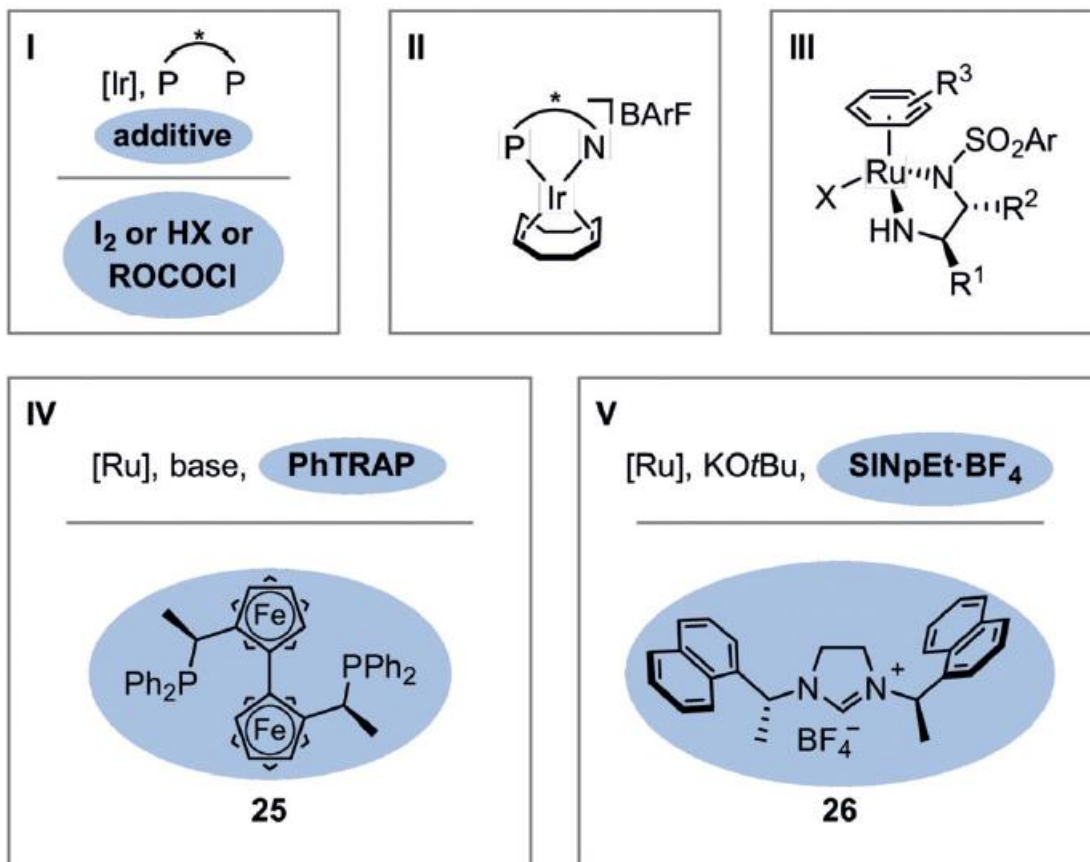
limiting the scope

Chiral Brønsted Acid Catalyst



- good tolerance of functional groups and applicability in a laboratory scale
- △ limited to basic N-heteroarene substrates

Chiral Ligand



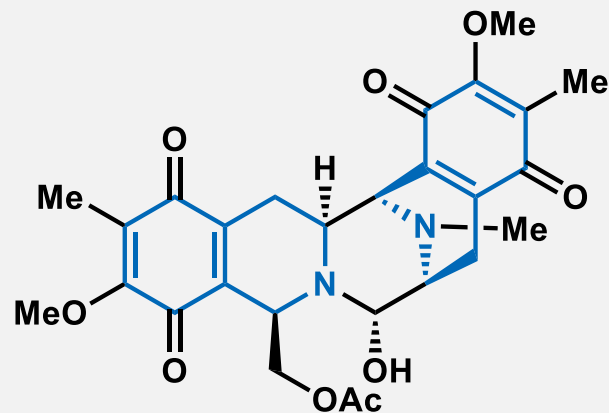
✓ homogeneous metal complexes with chiral ligands is the most general strategy.

○ tunable chiral moiety

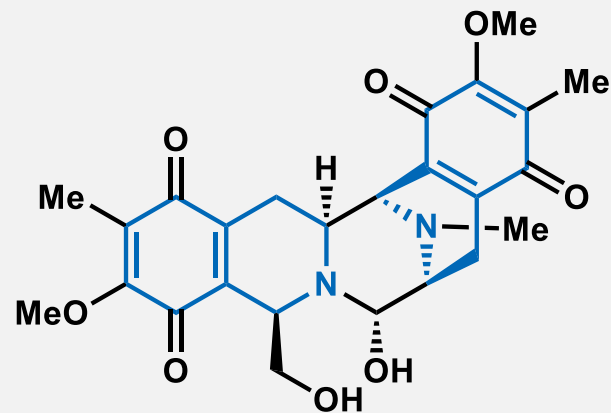
△ limited in terms of functional group tolerance and substrate substitution pattern

Application in Total Synthesis

Bis-Tetrahydroisoquinoline (bis-THIQ) natural products:
Alkaloids that display exceptional anticancer activity

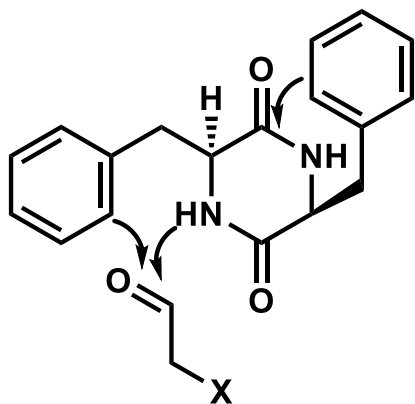


(-)-Jorumycin

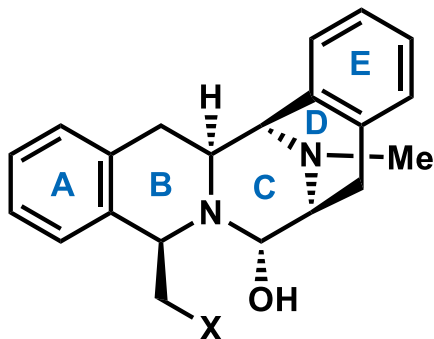


Jorunnamycin A

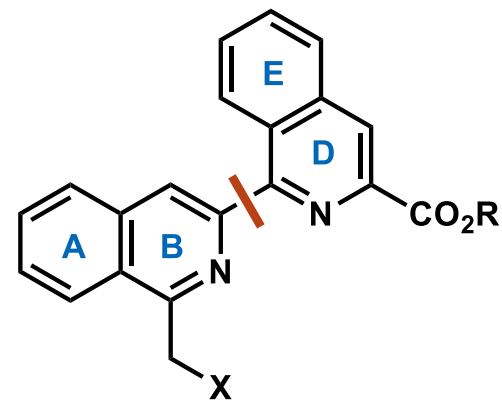
Conventional, Biomimetic Approach:
Pictet-Spengler



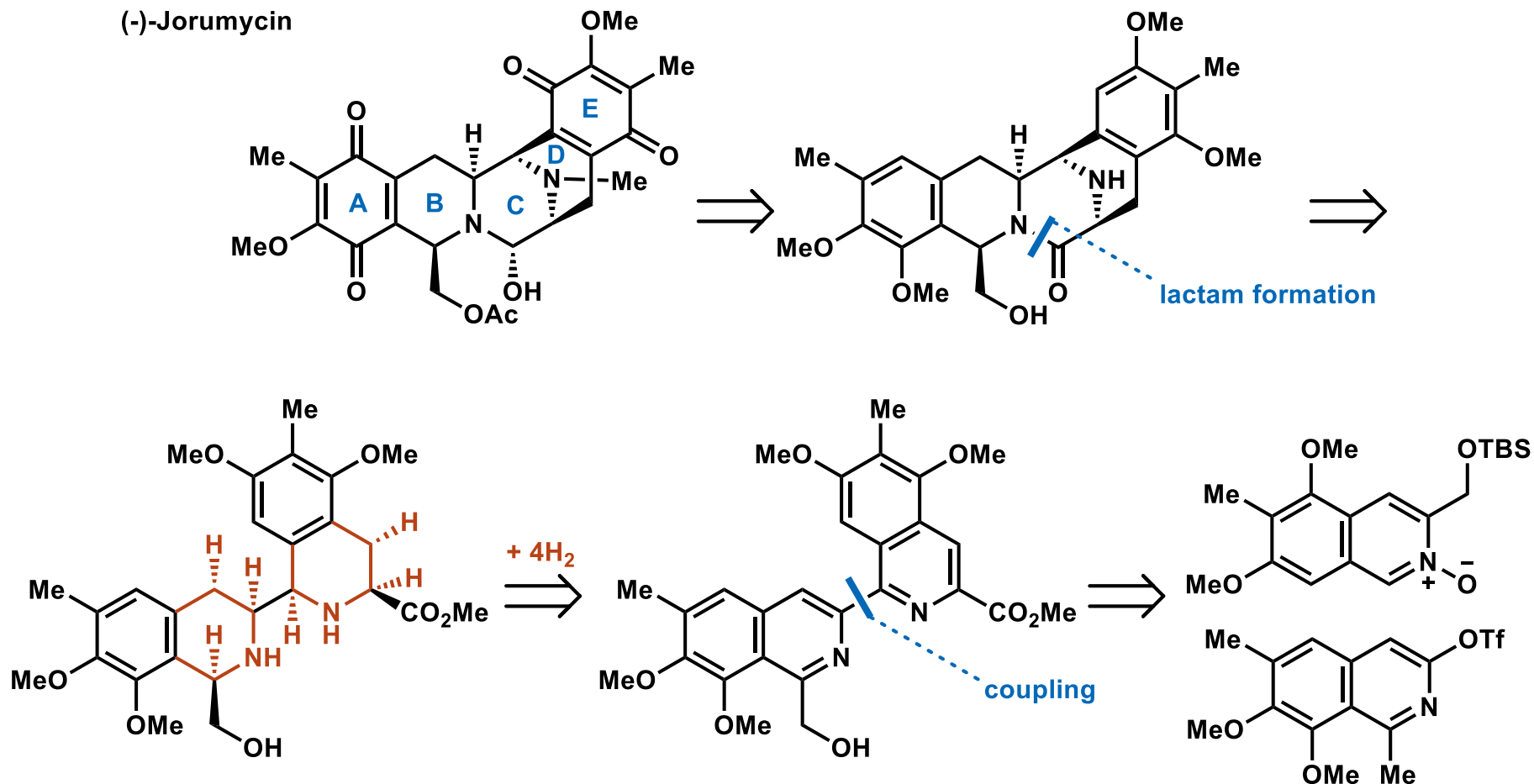
Pentacyclic bis-THIQ Core



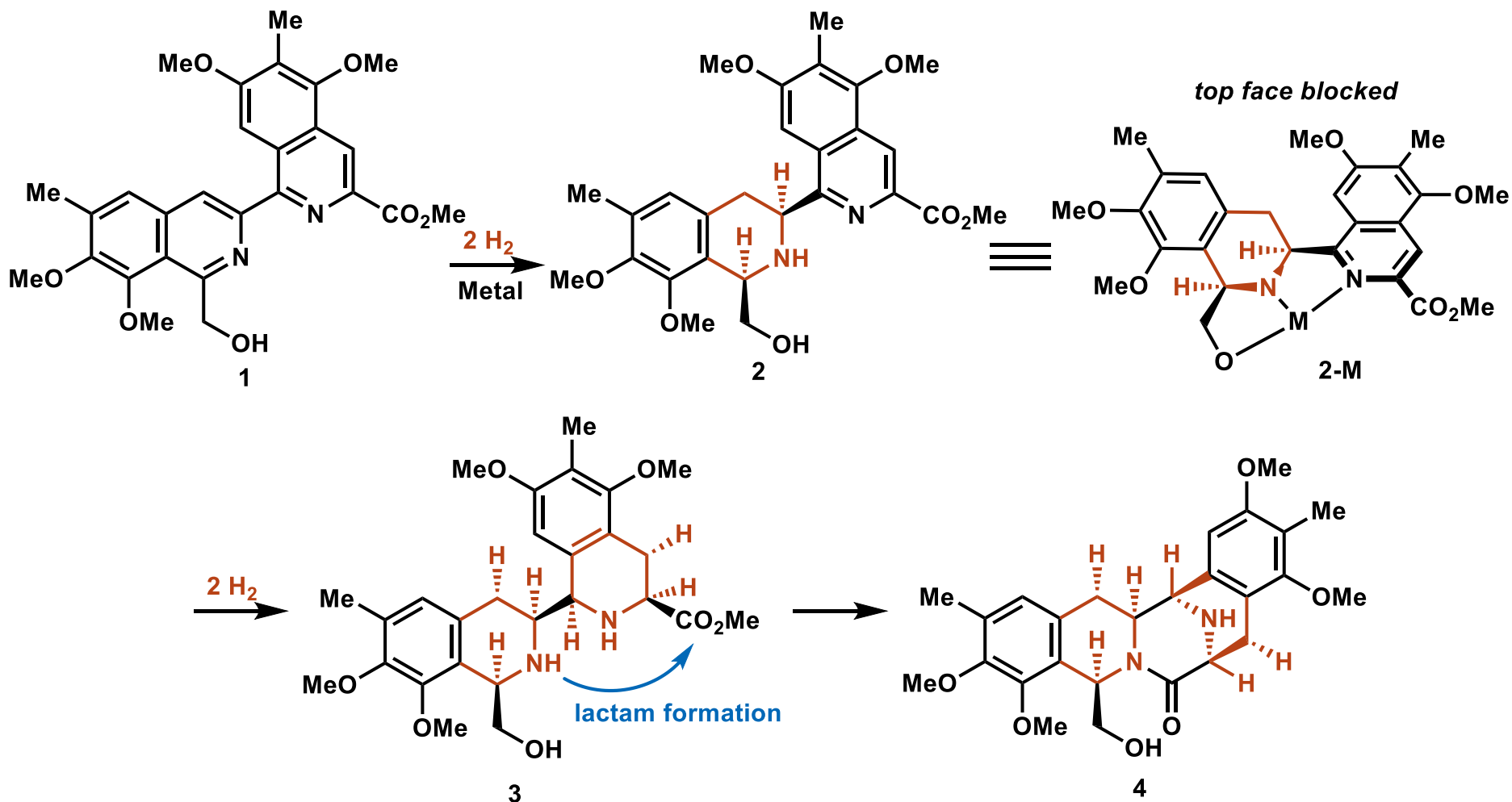
Stoltz Group:
Cross Coupling/Ruductive Cyclization



Retrosynthesis of (-)-Jorumycin

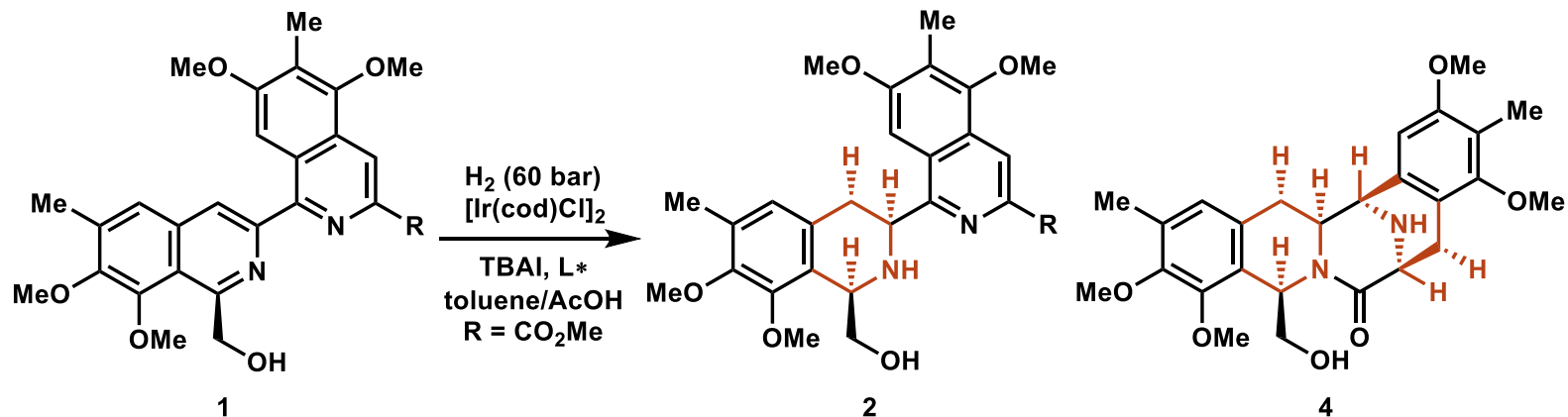


Enantio- & Diastereoselective Hydrogenation

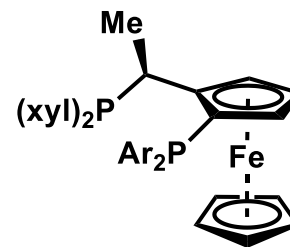
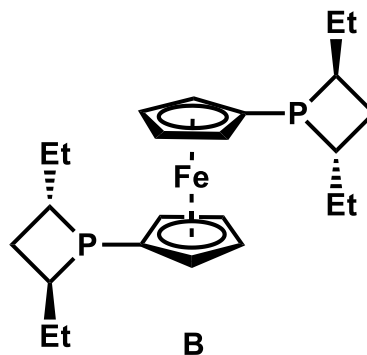
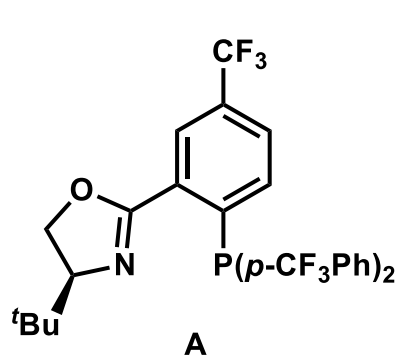


- ✓ directed *Si*-face reduction leads to enantioenriched generation of intermediate 2
- ✓ three-dimensional structure of 2-M leads to substrate-reinforced diastereoselectivity

Catalyst Screening



Entry	Catalyst loading	Ligand	temp	2 (ee)	4 (dr) (ee)
1	5 mol%	C	rt	2% (ND)	0%
2	5 mol%	A	60 °C	22% (-82% ee)	0%
3	5 mol%	B	60 °C	26% (-87% ee)	0%
4	5 mol%	C	60 °C	30% (80% ee)	0%
5	5 mol%	D	60 °C	83% (94% ee)	10% (>20:1 dr)(ND)
6	5 mol%	D	80 °C	31% (87% ee)	43% (>20:1 dr)(ND)
7	5 mol%	D	60 °C → 80 °C	7% (94% ee)	59% (>20:1 dr)(88% ee)
8	10 mol%	D	60 °C → 80 °C	3% (94% ee)	83% (>20:1 dr)(88% ee)



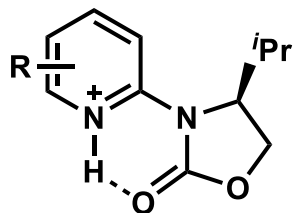
C: $\text{Ar} = \text{Ph}$
 D: $\text{Ar} = 3,5\text{-(CF}_3)_2\text{Ph}$

Short Summary

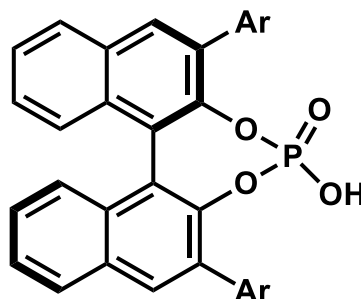
✓ diastereoselectivity *cis-selectivity*

✓ enantioselectivity

1. chiral auxiliary



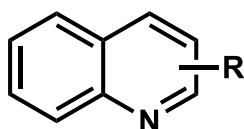
2. chiral bronsted acid



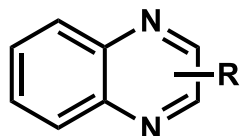
3. chiral ligand

P-P, P-N, N-N, NHC

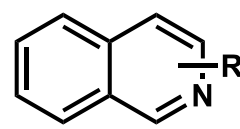
• number of published enantioselective method



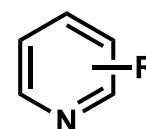
>30



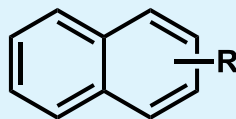
9



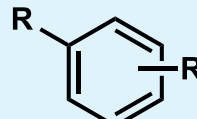
7



9



1



0

Challenges: benzene derivatives

Contents

1. Introduction

2. Stereoselectivity

- diastereoselectivity
- enantioselectivity

3. Chemoselectivity

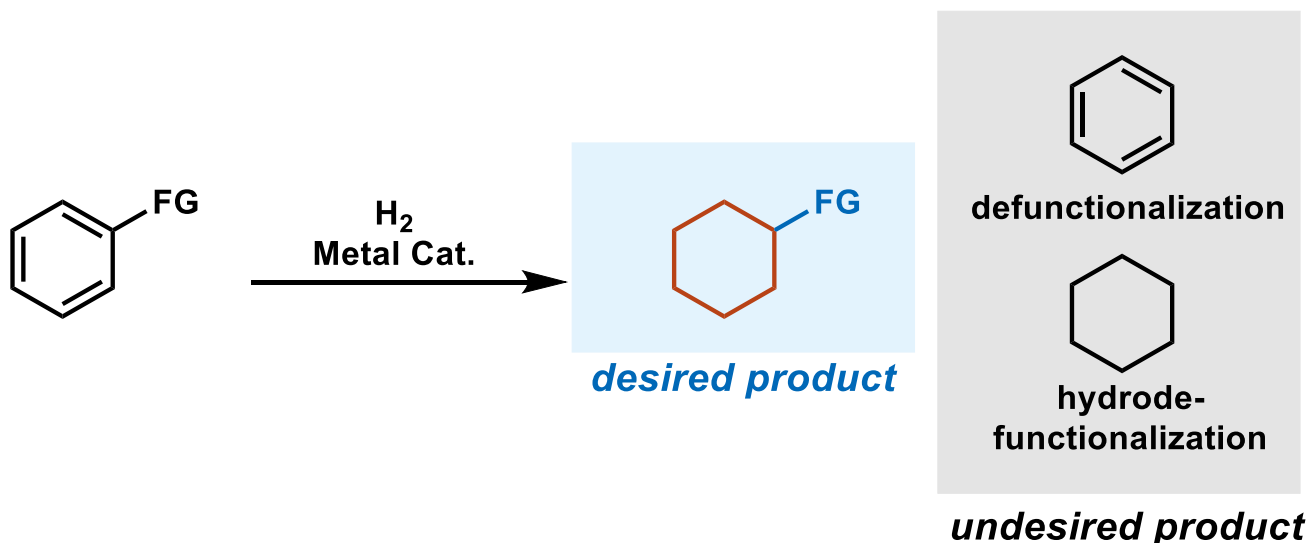
- FG tolerance
- mechanistic investigation

4. Summary

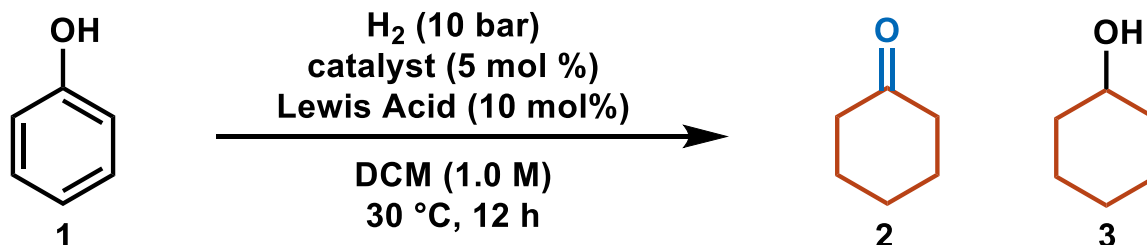
Chemoselectivity | FG tolerance

Challenges

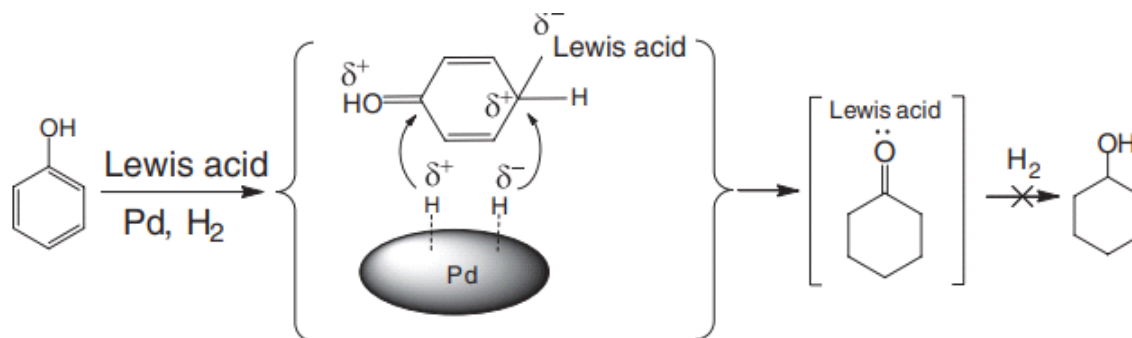
1. Other reducible sites
2. Hydrodefunctionalization
3. Sterically hinderance
4. Negative influence in electronical properties



Phenol Hydrogenation to Cyclohexanone

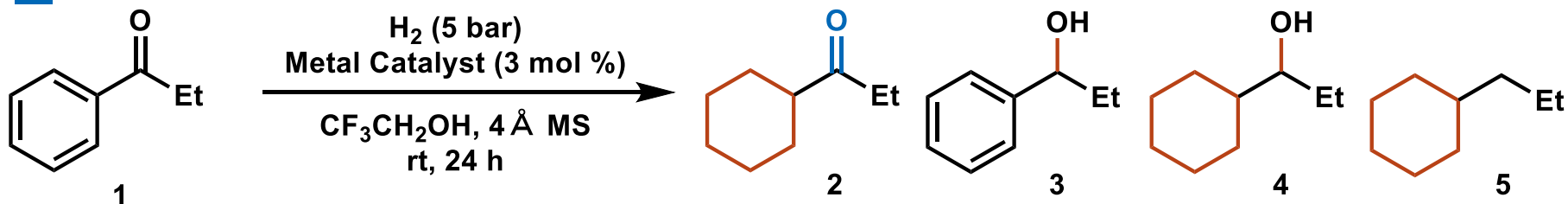


Entry	Catalyst	Lewis Acid	Conversion (%)	Selectivity (2:3)
1	Pd/C	-	13	94:6
2	-	AlCl_3	0	-
3	Pd/C	AlCl_3	>99	>99:1
4	Pd/C	InCl_3	>99	>99:1
5	Pd/C	ZnCl_2	>99	>99:1

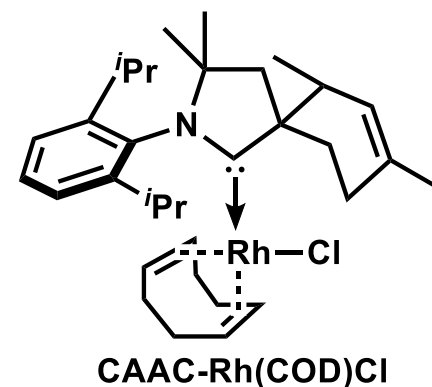
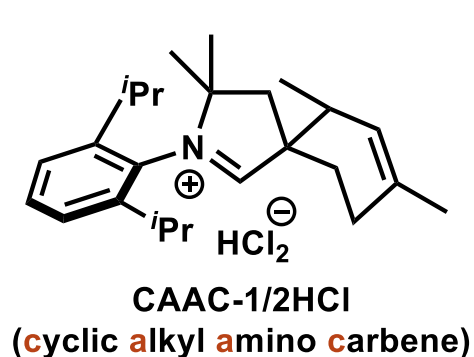
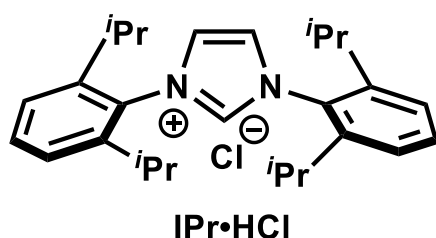
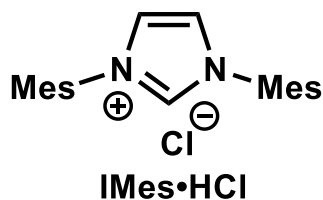


✓ Lewis acid makes the benzene ring of phenol more active and inhibits further hydrogenation to cyclohexanol.

Aromatic Carbonyl Compounds

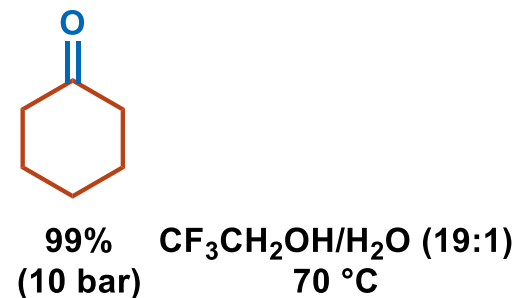
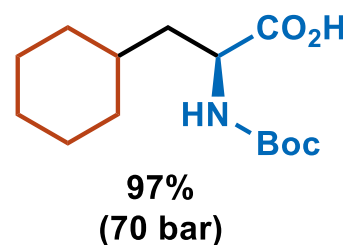
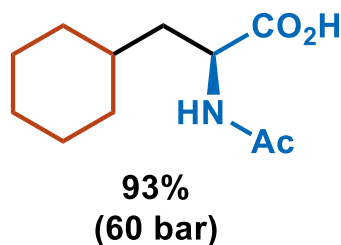
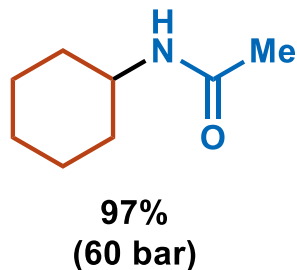
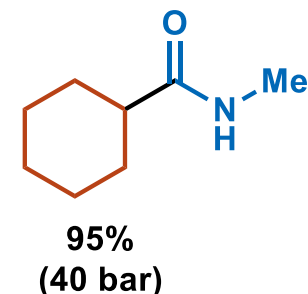
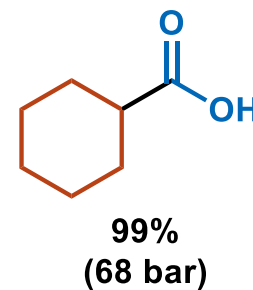
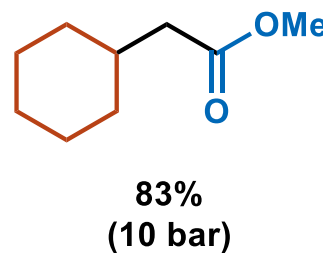
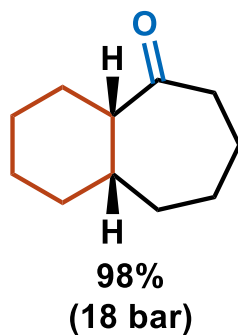
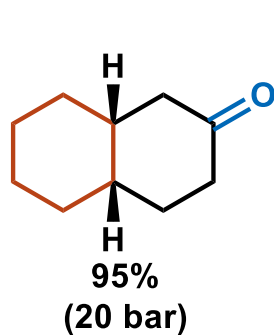
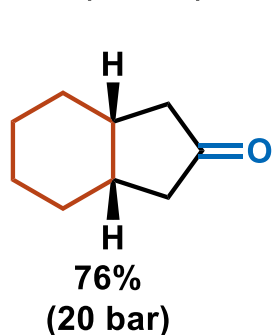
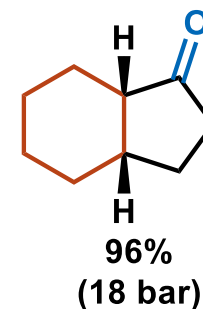
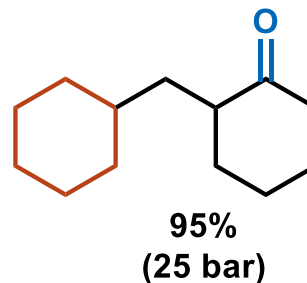
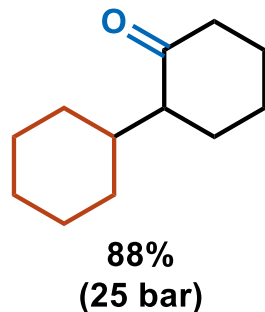
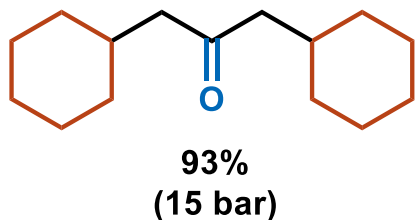
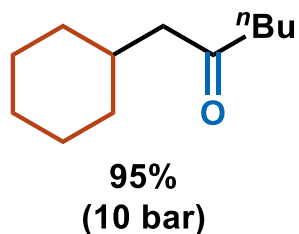
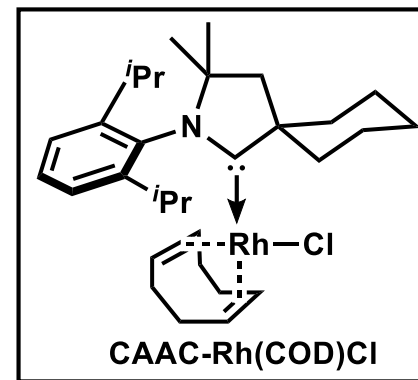


Entry	Metal Catalyst	2 (%)	3 (%)	4 (%)	5 (%)
1	none	nd	nd	nd	nd
2	$\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_3\text{Cl}$	<1	nd	nd	nd
3	$\text{RhCl}_3 \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$	<5	nd	11	nd
4	$[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{Cl}]_2$	29	10	25	10
5	$[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{Cl}]_2 / \text{IMes} \cdot \text{HCl} / \text{NaOBu}$	9	21	10	12
6	$[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{Cl}]_2 / \text{IPr} \cdot \text{HCl} / \text{NaOBu}$	12	<1	<5	11
7	$[\text{Rh}(\text{COD})\text{Cl}]_2 / \text{CAAC-1/2HCl} / \text{LDA}$	80	nd	<5	<1
8	CAAC-Rh(COD)Cl	98	nd	<1	<1

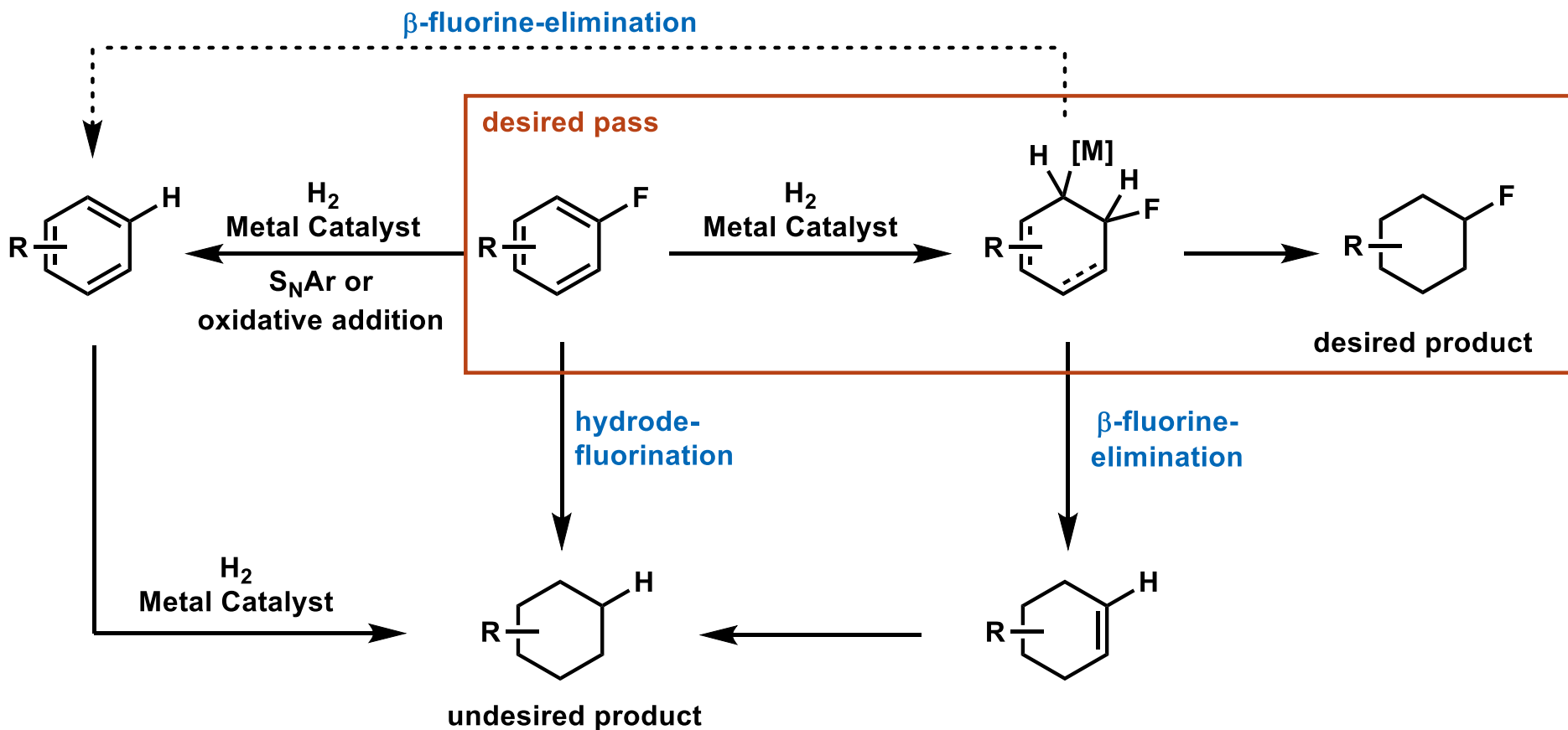


✓ highly electron-rich metal center would favor arene binding through back-donation into the antibonding π orbitals of the arene.

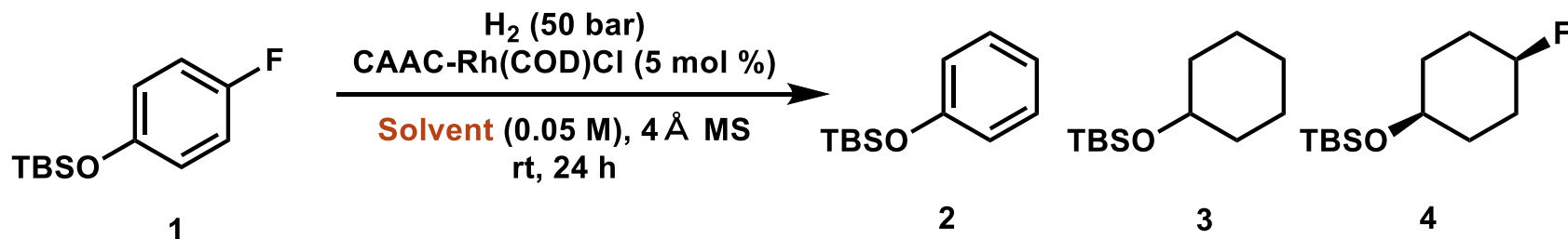
Substrate Scope



Hydrogenation of Fluoroarenes

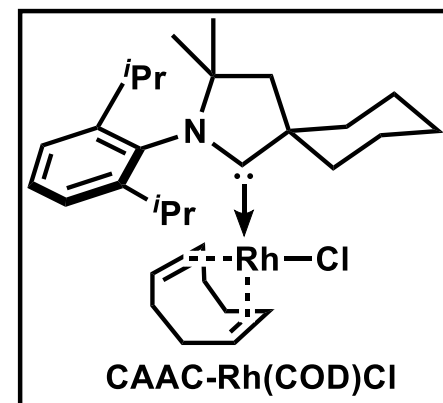


Reaction Optimization



Entry	Solvent	Conversion (%)	2 (%)	3 (%)	4 (%) (dr)
1	MeCN	0	0	0	0
2	MeOH	92	1	75	8 (6:1)
3	CF ₃ CH ₂ OH	100	0	52	24 (10:1)
4	DCE	100	0	19	80 (12:1)
5	DCM	100	0	16	77 (13:1)
6	THF	98	0	26	69 (25:1)
7	Et ₂ O	100	0	9	91 (18:1)
8	Hexane	100	0	4	95 (15:1)

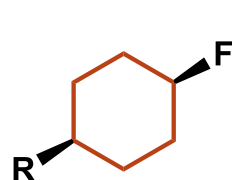
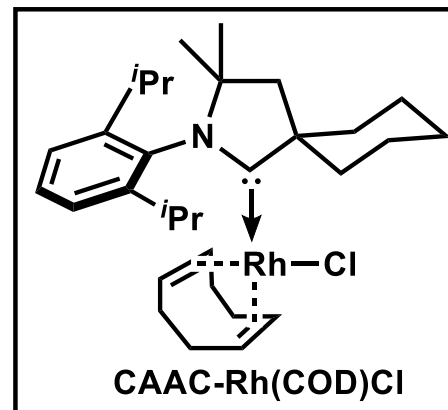
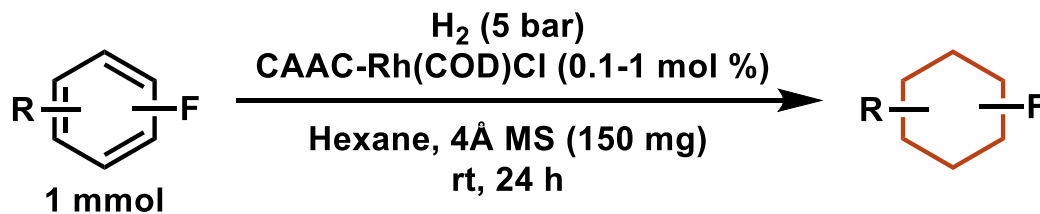
polarity ↑



✓ Less polar solvents decrease the rate of defluorination

- defluorination via a polar intermediate?
- higher solubility of hydrogen gas?
- interaction between catalysts and polar solvents?

Substrate Scope



R = H, 90%

OTBS, 93% (13:1 dr)

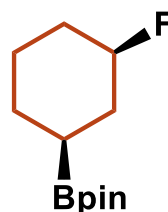
Bpin, 88% (9:1 dr)

NHBoc, 81% (6:1 dr)

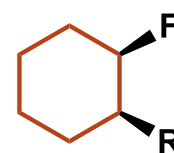
OMe, 80% (7:1 dr)

CO₂Me, 80% (9:1 dr)

CH₂NHBoc, 90% (7:1 dr)



82% (8:1 dr)

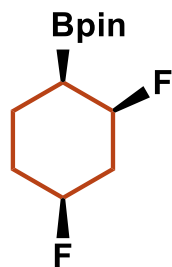


R = OTBS, 96% (16:1 dr)

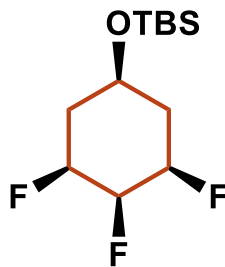
NHBoc, 63% (>20:1 dr)

Bpin, 61% (>20:1 dr)

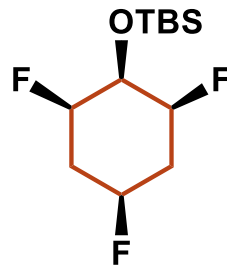
F, 96% (17:1 dr)



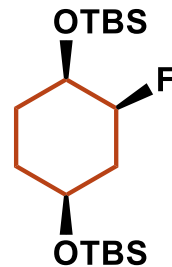
71% (9:1 dr)



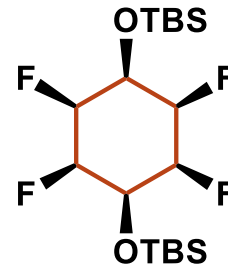
68% (7:1 dr)



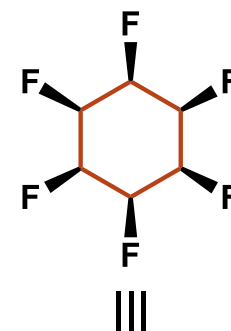
97% (>20:1 dr)



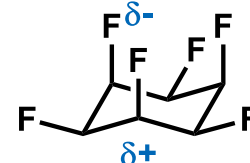
38% (>20:1 dr)



21% (>20:1 dr)



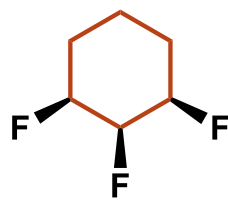
|||



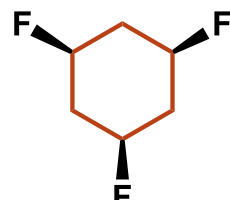
facially polarized
cyclohexane

34% (>20:1 dr)

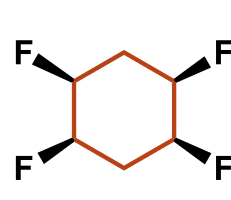
previously 12 steps



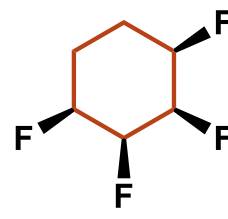
81% (6:1 dr)



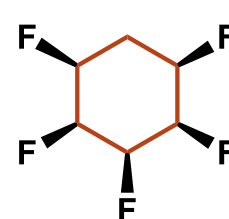
65% (>20:1 dr)



60% (>20:1 dr)



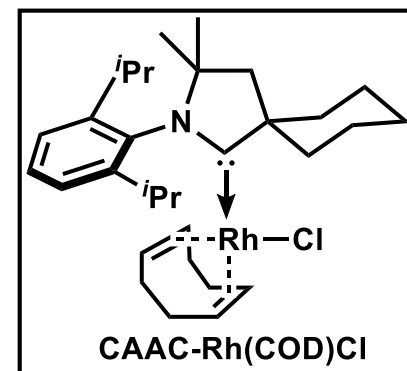
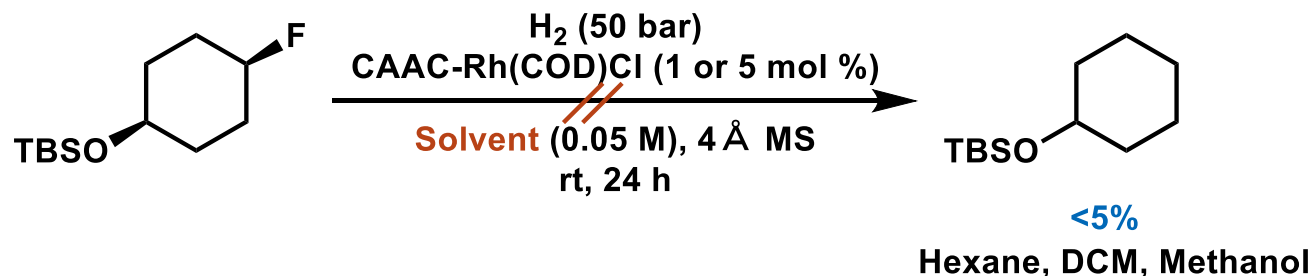
26% (>20:1 dr)



42% (>20:1 dr)

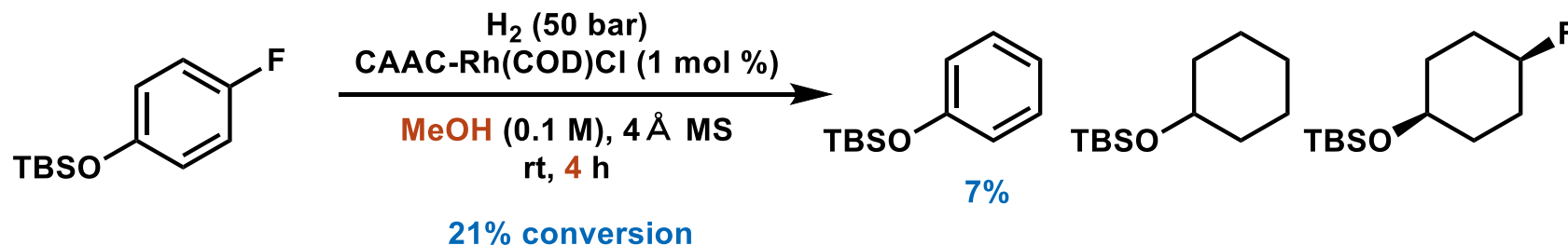
Mechanistic Experiments

Product decomposition



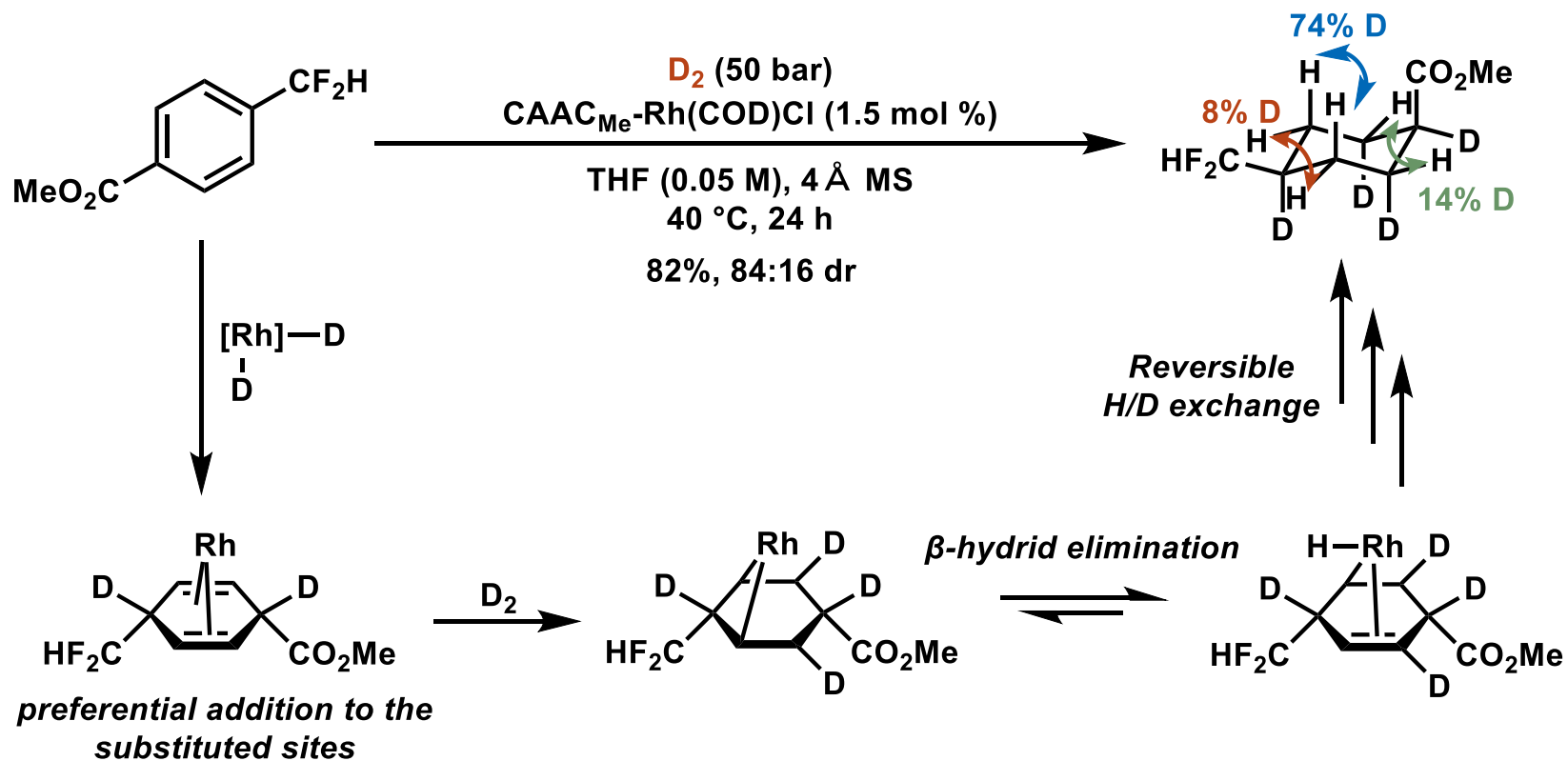
HF-elimination from the reduced product is not the reason for the hydrodefluorinated side products.

Detection of defluorinated arene

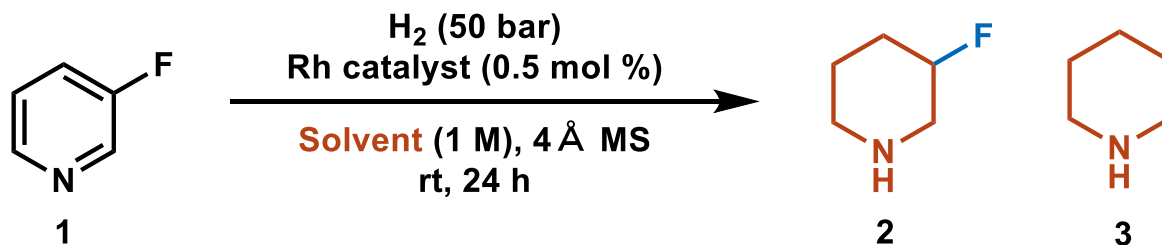


Hydrodefluorination in methanol proceeds via oxidative addition or $\text{S}_{\text{N}}\text{Ar}$, or β -F-elimination from a dearomatized metal complex.

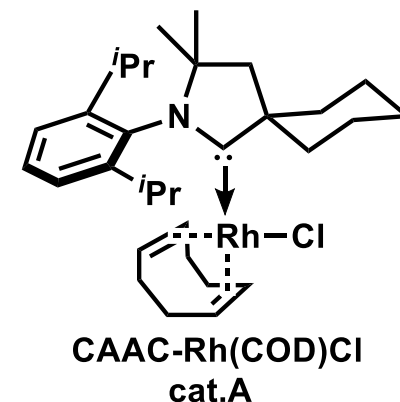
Deuterium-Labeling Experiments



Fluoropyridines

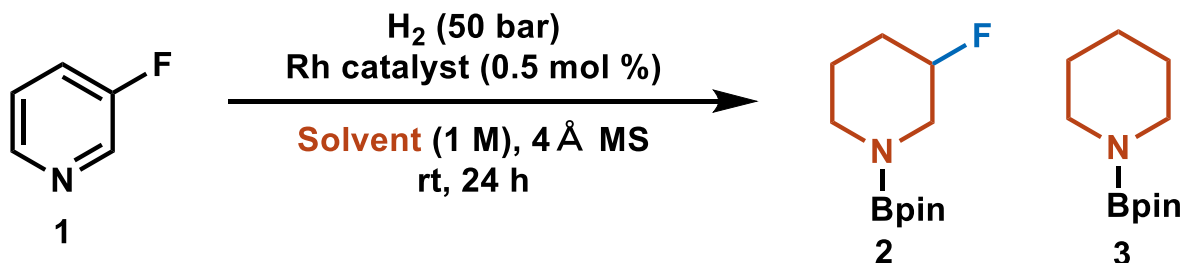


Entry	Solvent	Rh catalyst	Additive	Conversion (%)	2 (%)
1	MeOH	cat.A		>99	<5
2	THF	cat.A		<5	nd
3	Hexane	cat.A		<5	nd

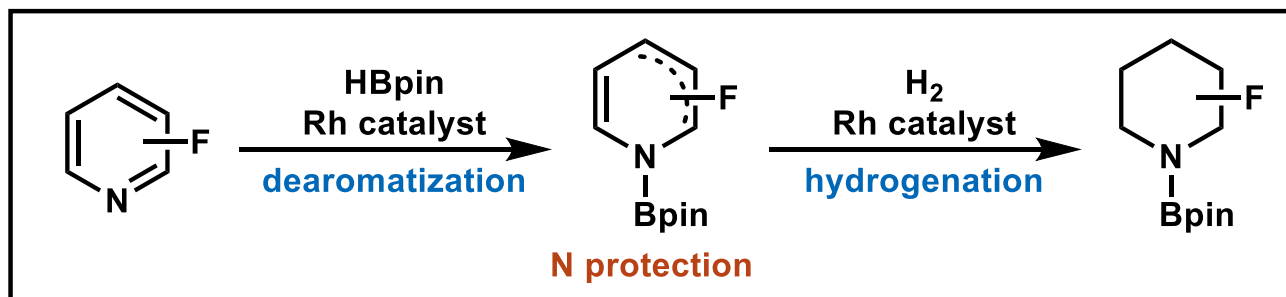


- ✓ catalyst deactivation by the Lewis-basic heterocycles
- ✓ uncontrolled hydrodefluorination side reactions

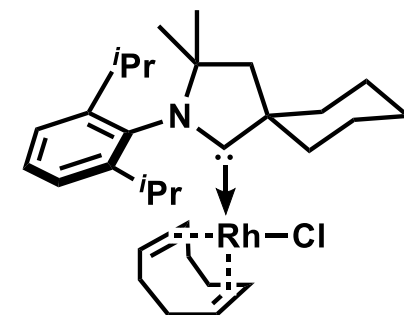
Dearomatization Strategy



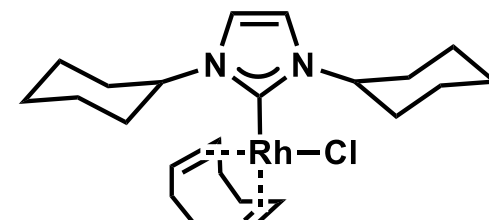
Entry	Solvent	Rh catalyst	Additive	Conversion (%)	2 (%)
1	MeOH	cat.A		>99	<5
2	THF	cat.A		<5	nd
3	Hexane	cat.A		<5	nd
4	THF	cat.A	HBpin	>99	92
5	Hexane	cat.A	HBpin	<5	nd
6	THF	cat.B	HBpin	95	80
7	THF	cat.C	HBpin	20	17



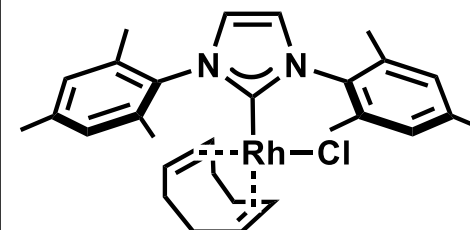
- ✓ dearomatization → easily hydrogenation
- ✓ N-protection → preventing catalyst poisoning



CAAC-Rh(COD)Cl
cat.A

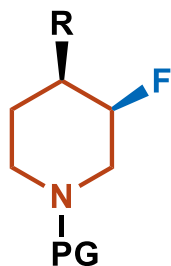
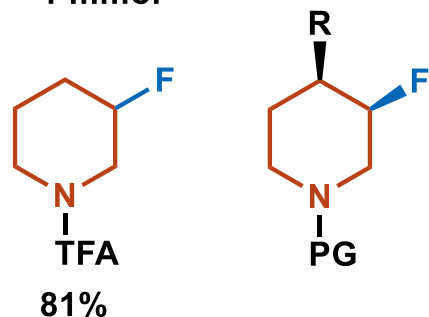
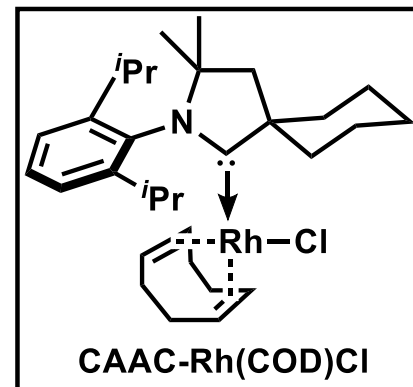
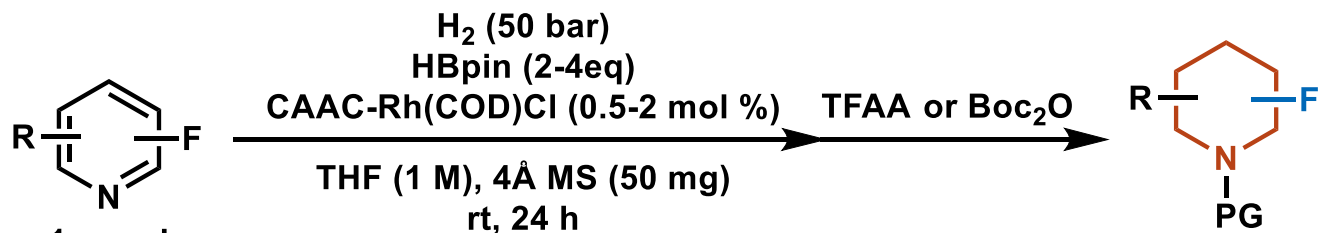


ICy-Rh(COD)Cl
cat.B



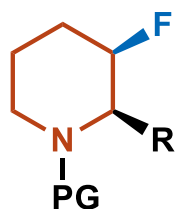
IMes-Rh(COD)Cl
cat.C

Substrate Scope

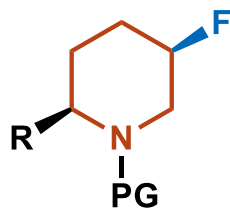


[PG = TFA]
 R = Me, 90% (95:5 dr)
 Bu, 80% (99:1 dr)
 OMe, 70% (99:1 dr)
 TMS, 71% (>99:1 dr)

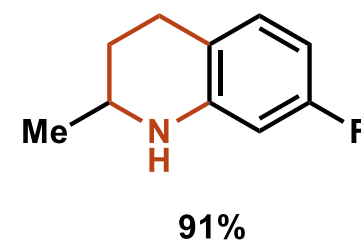
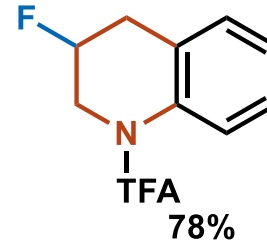
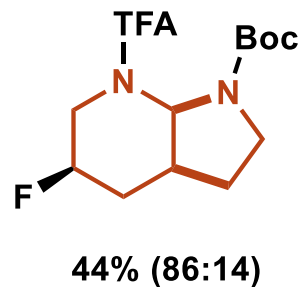
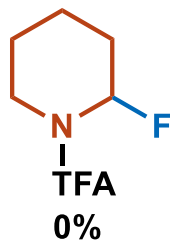
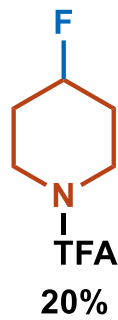
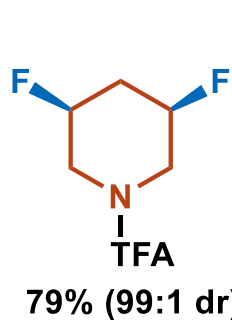
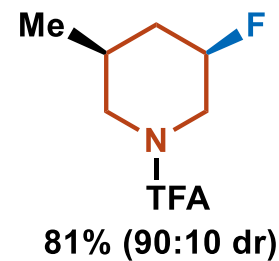
[PG = Boc]
 R = CH₂OTBS, 85% (95:5 dr)
 NHBoc, 94% (97:3 dr)
 Bpin, 73% (96:4 dr)



R = [PG = TFA]
 Me, 77% (95:5 dr)
 [PG = Boc]
 CH₂OTBS, 84% (99:1 dr)
 CH₂NHBoc, 88% (99:1 dr)

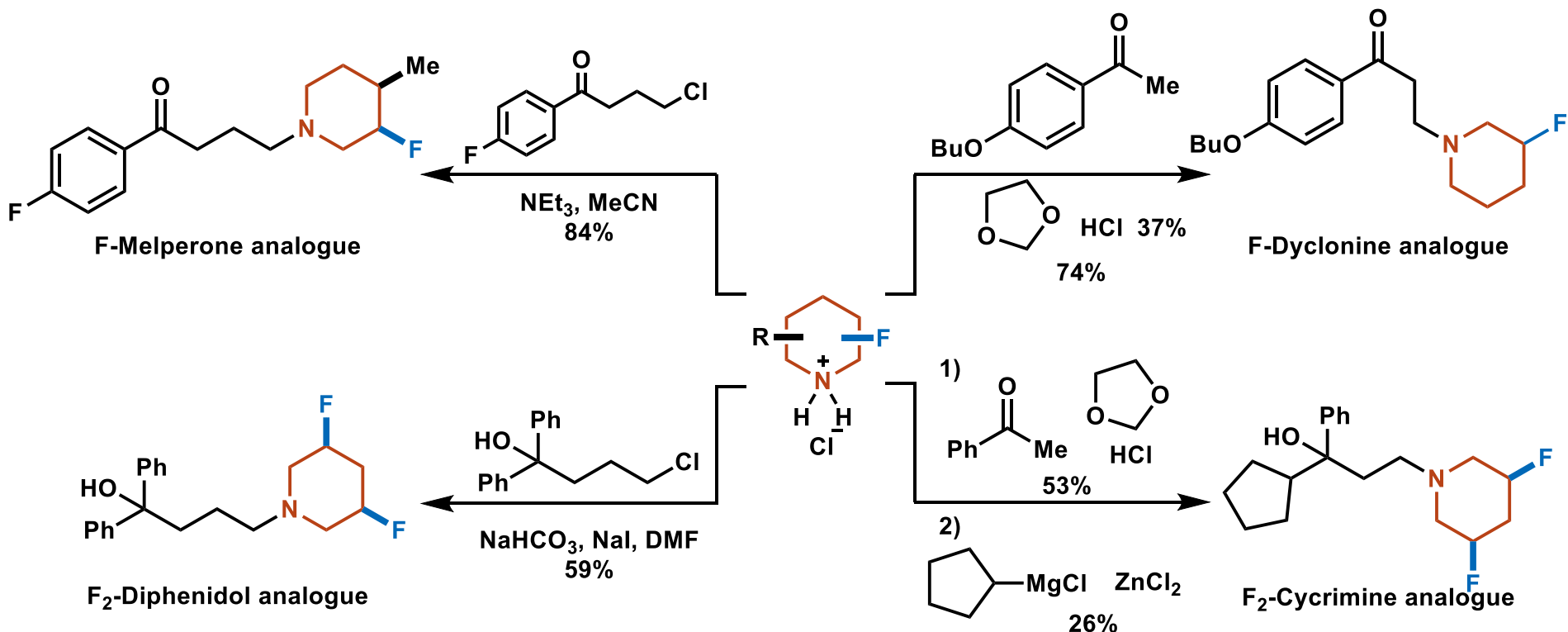
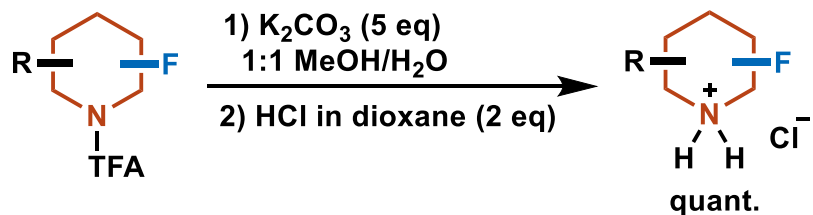


R = [PG = TFA]
 Me, 84% (90:10 dr)
 CF₃, 79% (93:7 dr)
 [PG = Boc]
 CH₂OTBS, 94% (97:3 dr)
 CH₂NHBoc, 75% (97:3 dr)



HBpin (4 eq), 40 °C

Application



✓ Incorporation of fluorine into aliphatic N-heterocycles may accelerate drug discovery.

Contents

1. Introduction

2. Stereoselectivity

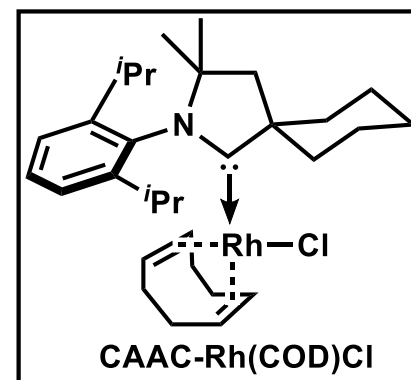
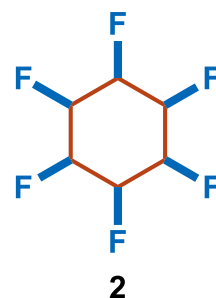
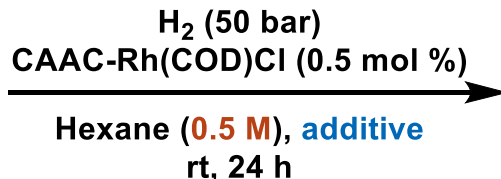
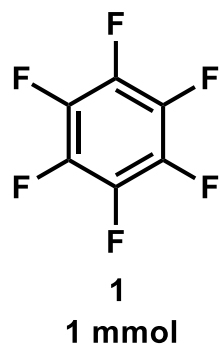
- diastereoselectivity
- enantioselectivity

3. Chemoselectivity

- FG tolerance
- mechanistic investigation

4. Summary

Silica gel improves the reactivity



Entry	Additive	amount [mg]	4 (%) (dr)
1	4Å MS (0.07 M)	150	34 (>20:1)
2	4Å MS	150	12 (>20:1)
3	4Å MS	450	10 (>20:1)
4	SiO ₂	150	44 (>20:1)
5	SiO ₂	300	80 (>20:1)
6	SiO ₂	450	94 (>20:1)
7	powdered 4Å MS	450	89 (>20:1)

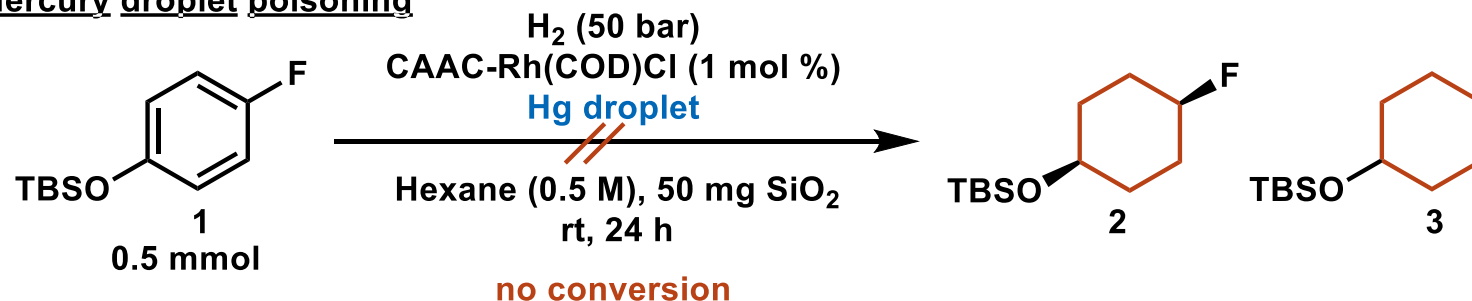
✓ In more concentrated conditions, SiO₂ showed good results.

- High surface area of the insoluble additive is crucial for an efficient reaction??

Heterogeneous Catalyst??

Catalyst Poisoning Study

Mercury droplet poisoning



✓ poisoning via formation of an amalgame

Substoichiometric poisoning with tetrahydrothiophene (THT)

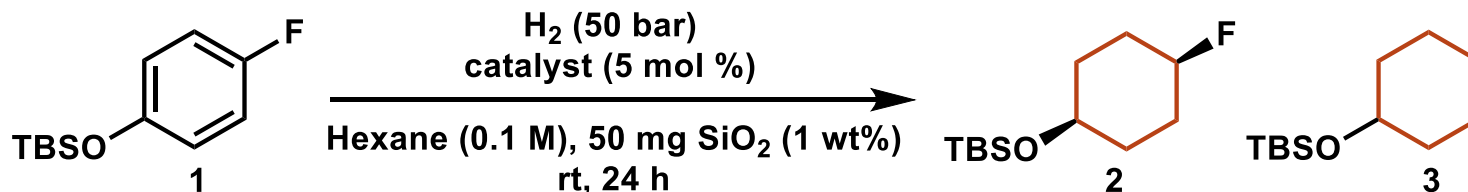


Entry	THT (mo%)	conversion (%)	2 (%) (dr)	3 (%)
1	0	>99	86 (>20:1)	4
2	0.5	>99	87 (>20:1)	5
3	1.5	>99	83 (>20:1)	6
4	2.5	86	71 (>20:1)	6
5	3.5	0	nd	nd
6	5	0	nd	nd

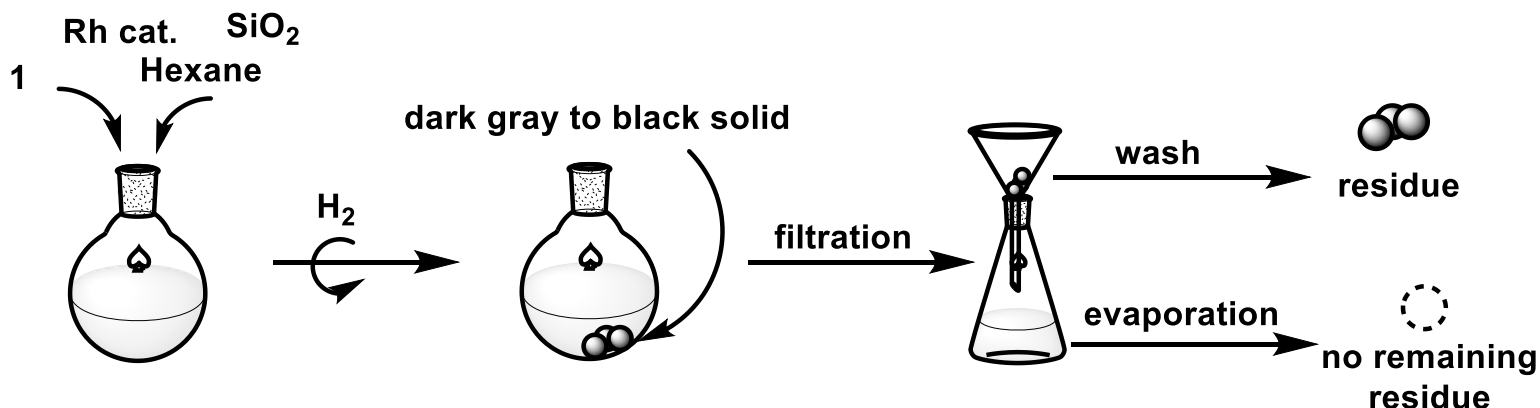
✓ deactivation by a substoichiometric amount of the catalyst poison

Catalyst Filtration & Recycling

Maitlis' test - catalyst recovery



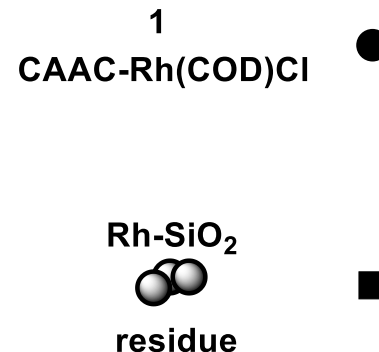
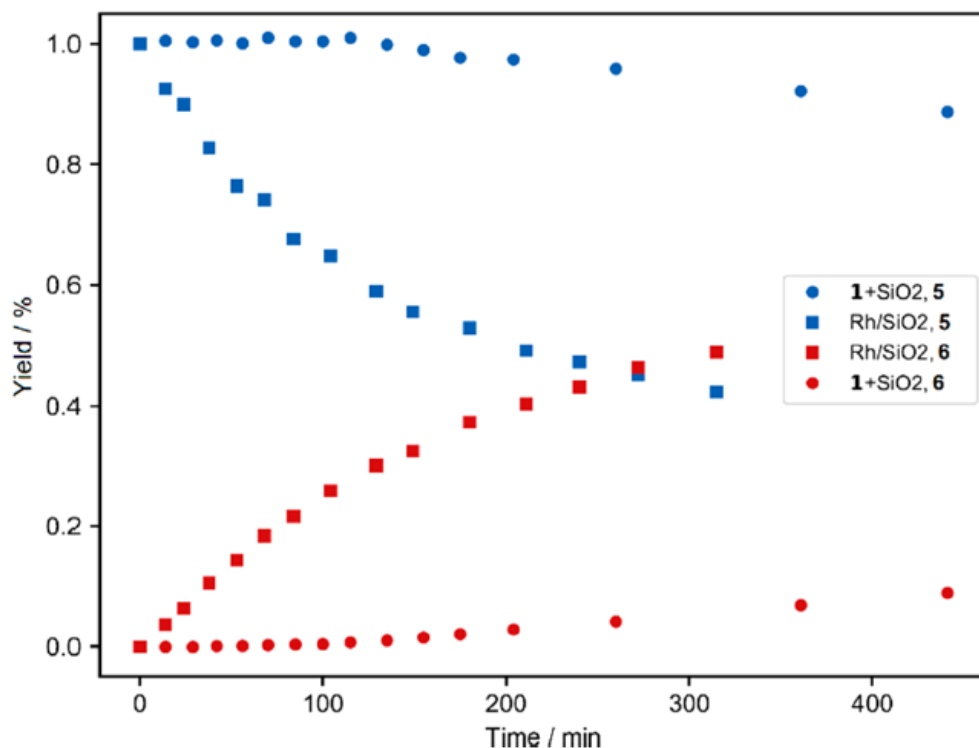
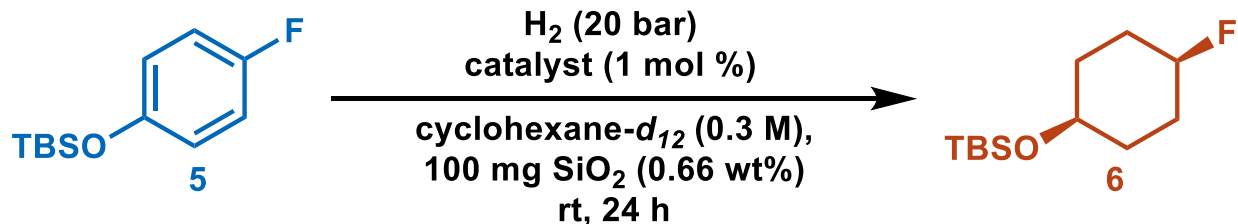
Entry	Solvent	Conversion (%)	2 (%) (dr)	3 (%)
1	CAAC-Rh(COD)Cl and SiO_2	>99	90 (94:6)	3
2	residue obtained from entry 1	>99	91 (94:6)	4
3	residue obtained without substrate	>99	89 (94:6)	3



✓ All obtained yields were identical.

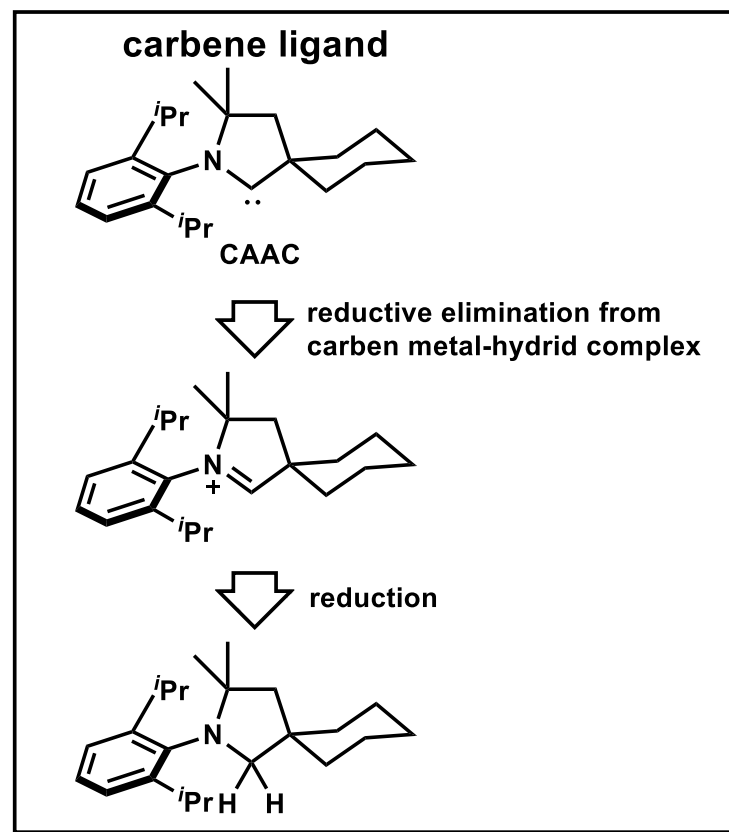
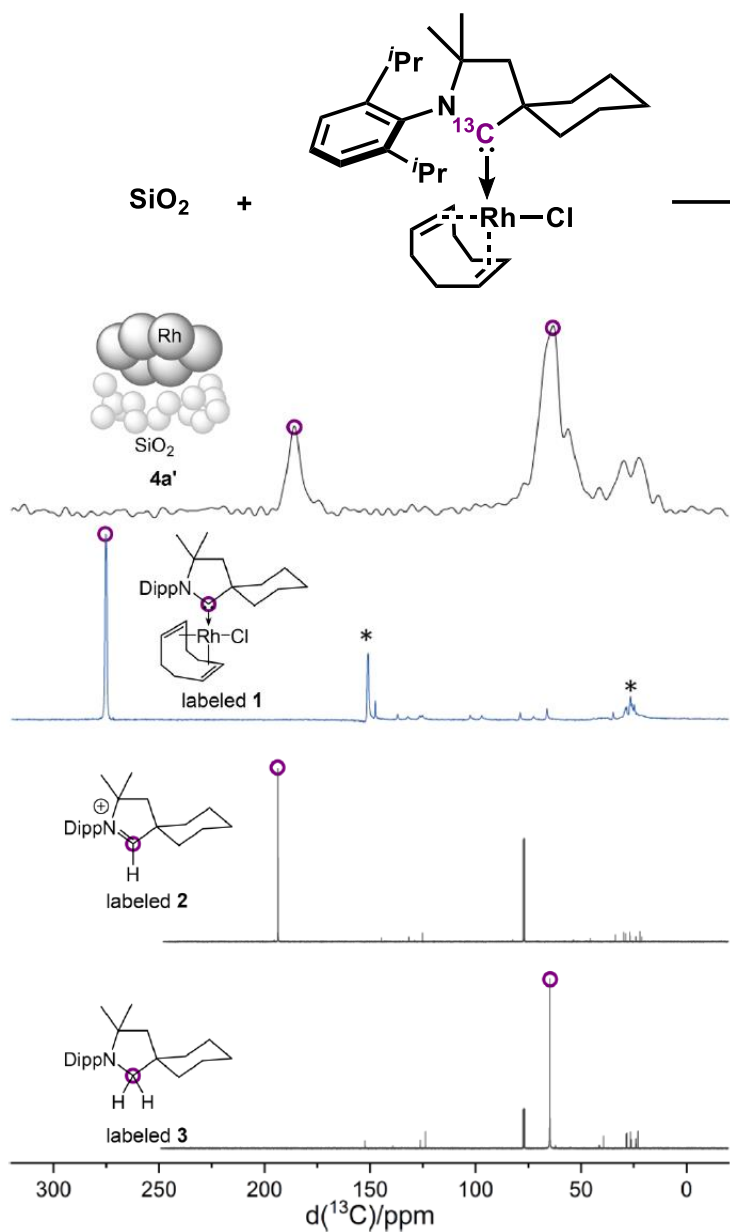
- active catalyst is contained in the black residue obtained after the reaction
- the active catalyst can be recycled without loss of activity

Kinetic Study

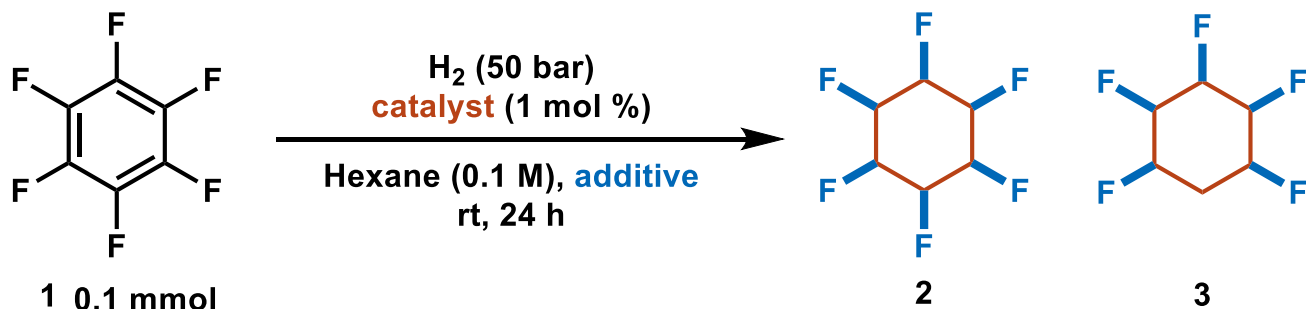


- ✓ when using 1 (CAAC-Rh(COD)Cl) as precatalyst, induction period was observed.
- insoluble black residue obtained after the reaction is active catalyst.

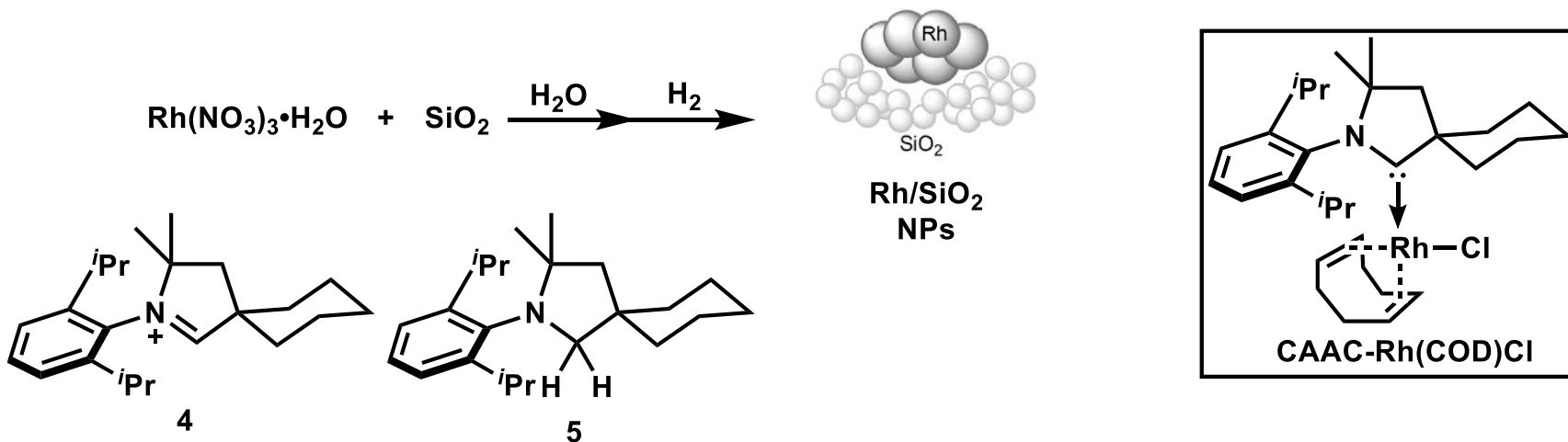
Observation of Ligand



Comparing the Performance

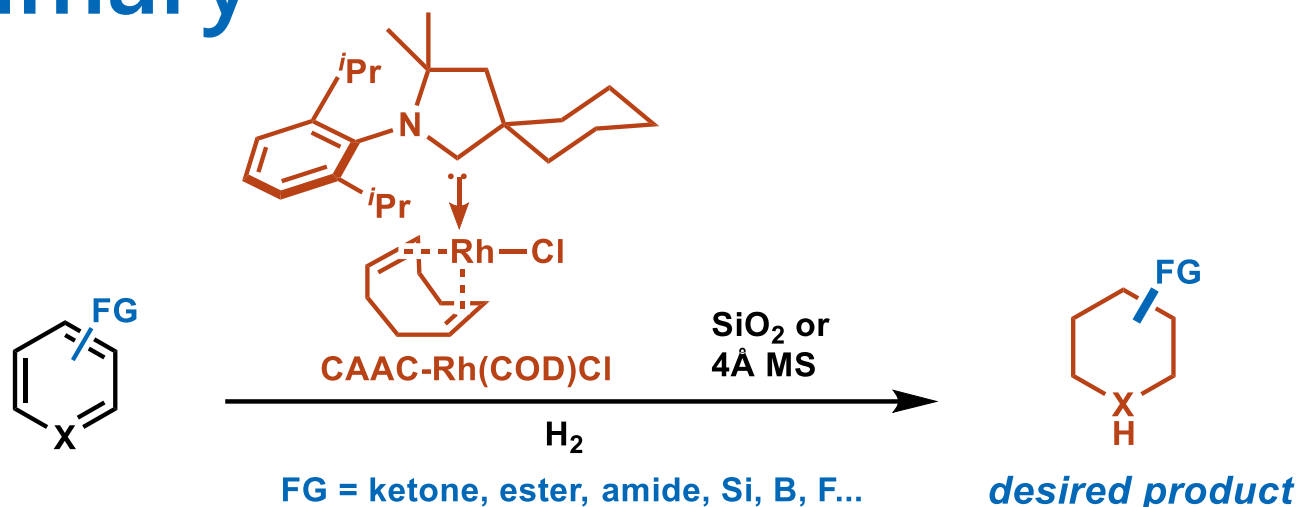


Entry	Catalyst	additive	2 (%)	3 (%)
1	CAAC-Rh(COD)Cl + SiO ₂	-	39	22
2	Rh/SiO ₂ NPs	4 and 5 (1:1)	29	8
3	Rh/SiO ₂ NPs	-	4	57

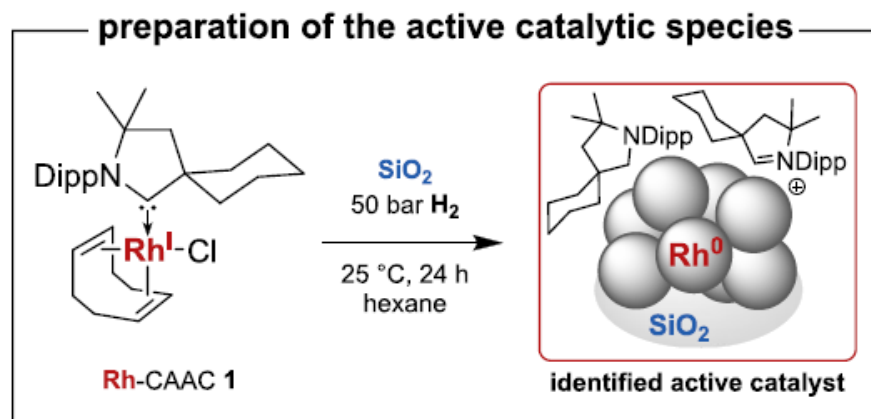


✓ When applying the optimized modifiers to the Rh NPs the yield of the desired product could be increased .

Summary



experimental tests for heterogeneity



mercury droplet



filtration



recycling



3-phase



kinetics



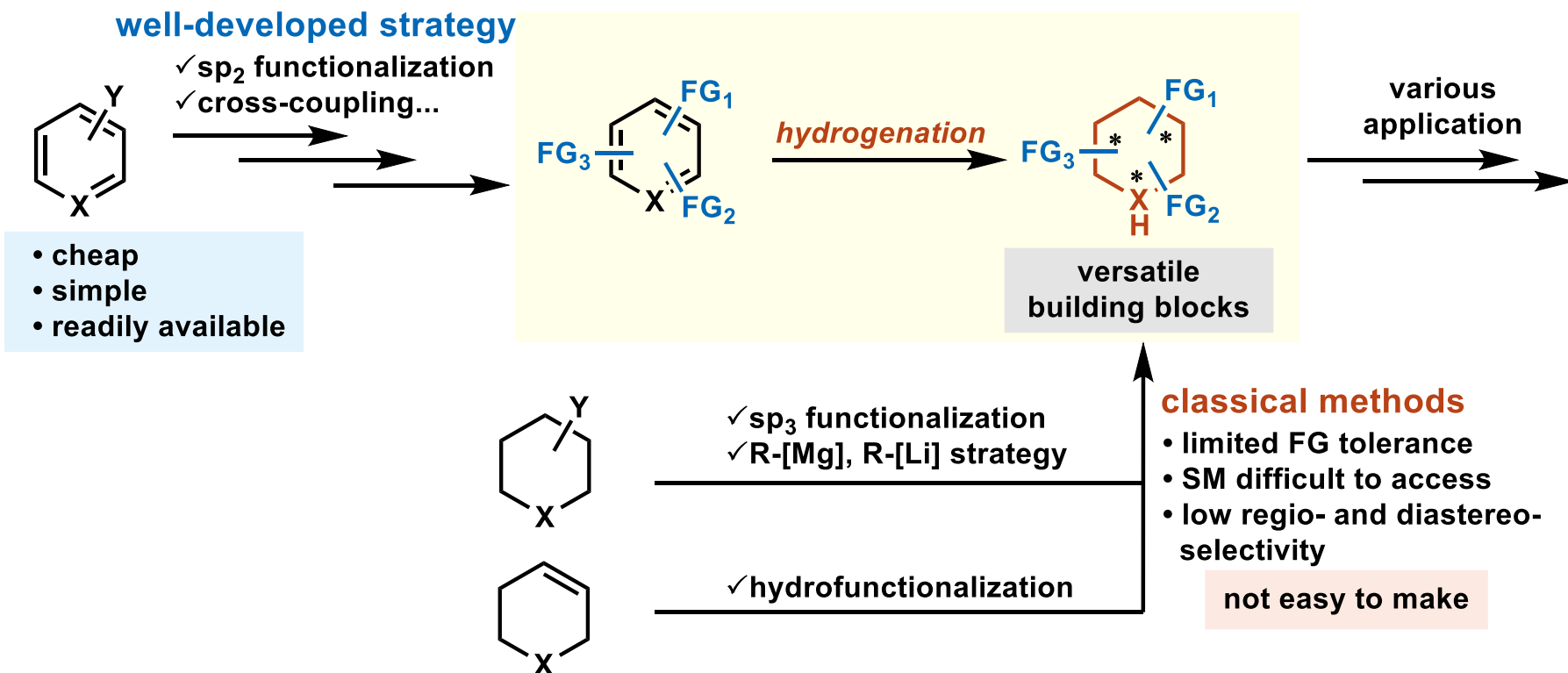
spectroscopy & microscopy



Silica gel-supported Rh(0) NPs as active catalytic species

CAAC-derived pyrrolidinium and pyrrolidine act as modifiers that are key in controlling the chemoselectivity.

Summary



Functionalization of arene is more facile than that of the saturated products.