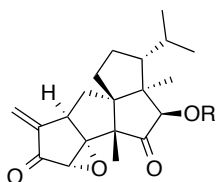


# Total Synthesis of (–)-Crinipellin A

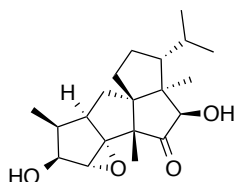
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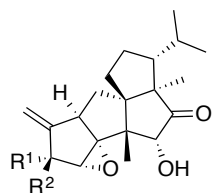
## I. Introduction



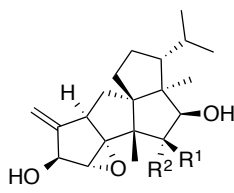
1 - crinipellin A, R = H  
2 - O-acetylcrinipellin A, R = Ac



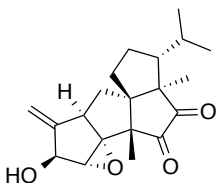
3 - tetrahydrocrinipellin A



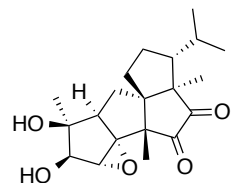
4 - crinipellin B, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> = O  
5 - dihydrocrinipellin B,  
R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = OH



6 - dihydrocrinipellin A, R<sup>1</sup>, R<sup>2</sup> = O  
7 - tetrahydrocrinipellin B,  
R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = OH



8 - crinipellin C



9 - crinipellin D

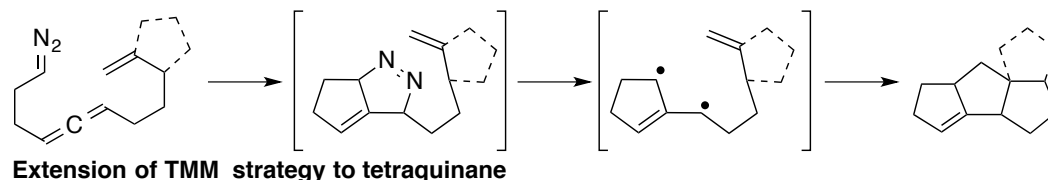
- Crinipellins (**1 – 5**) were first isolated from the basidiomycete *Crinipellis stipitaria* in 1979.
- These compounds display antibacterial and anticancer activity.
- Compounds **6 – 9** were isolated late from a different fungal strain, *Crinipellis* sp. 113 and only show moderate anticancer activity.
- These are the only known class of tetraquinane natural products.
- Only previously reported total synthesis of a crinipellin natural product is Piers' report of the total synthesis of crinipellin B<sup>1</sup>.

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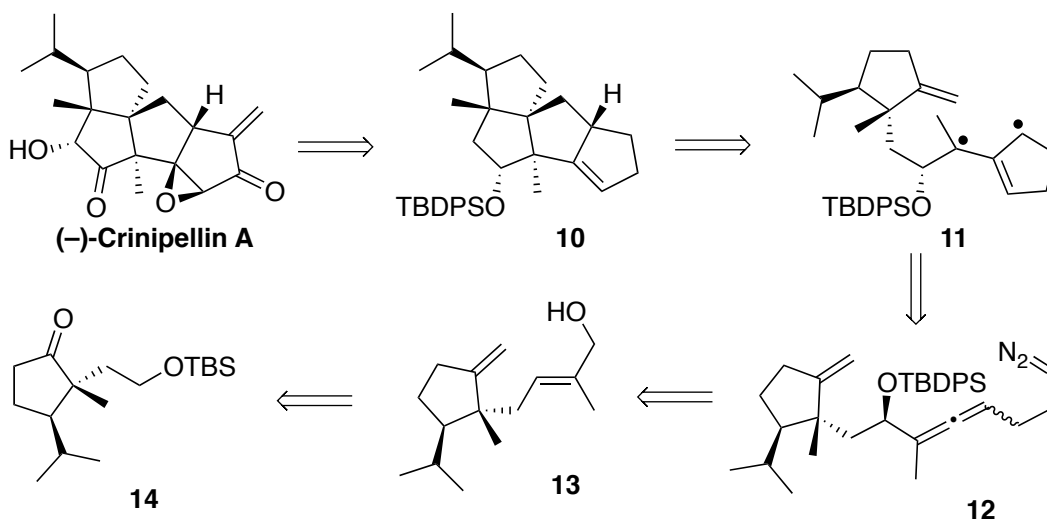
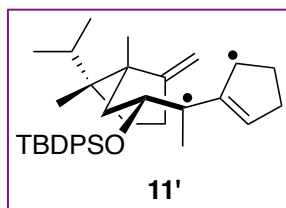
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## II. Synthetic Considerations

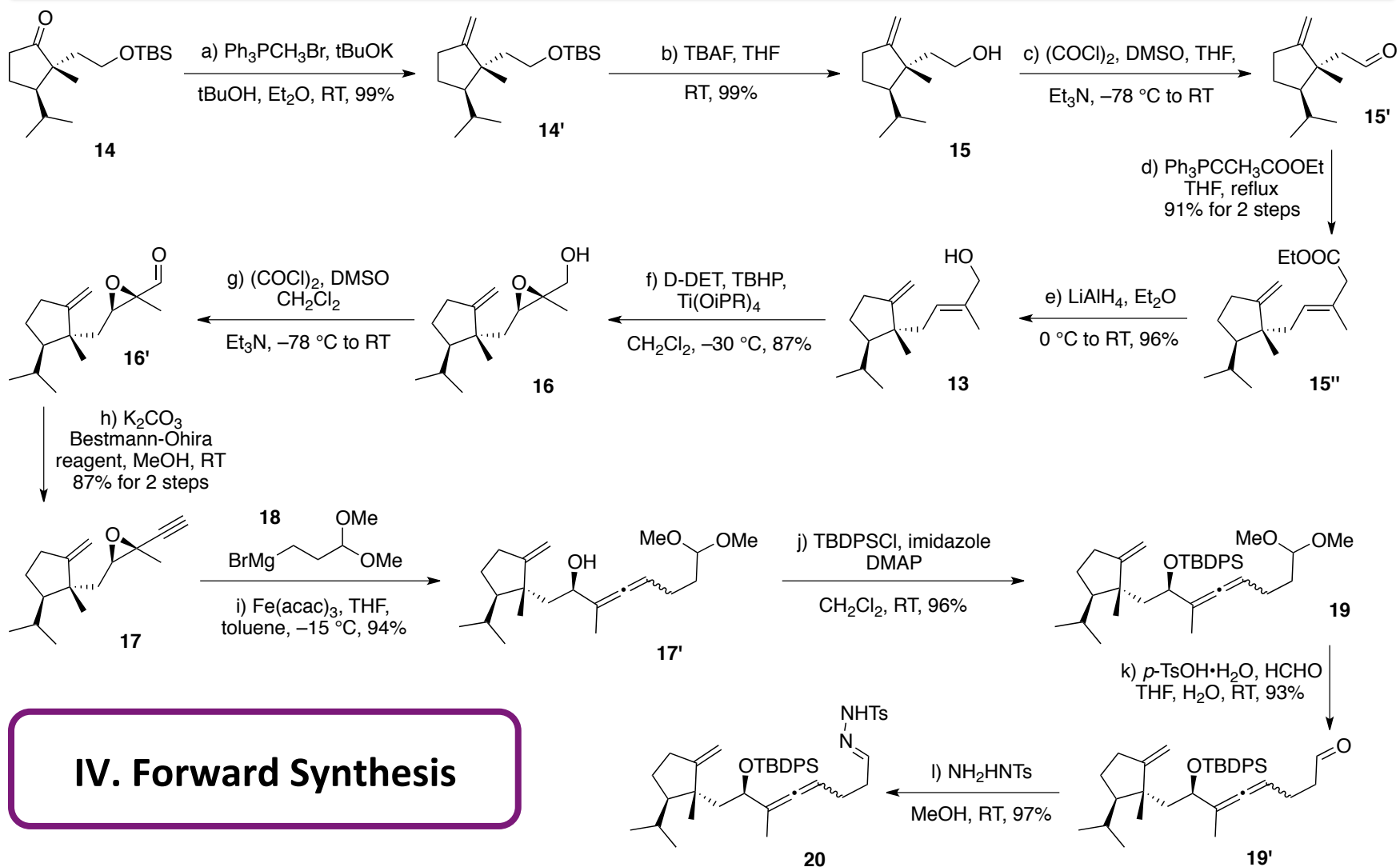
- Eight contiguous stereocenters
- Tetraquinane skeleton
- Utilize their recently reported synthetic methodology for triquinane synthesis from acyclic substrates.



## III. Retrosynthetic Analysis

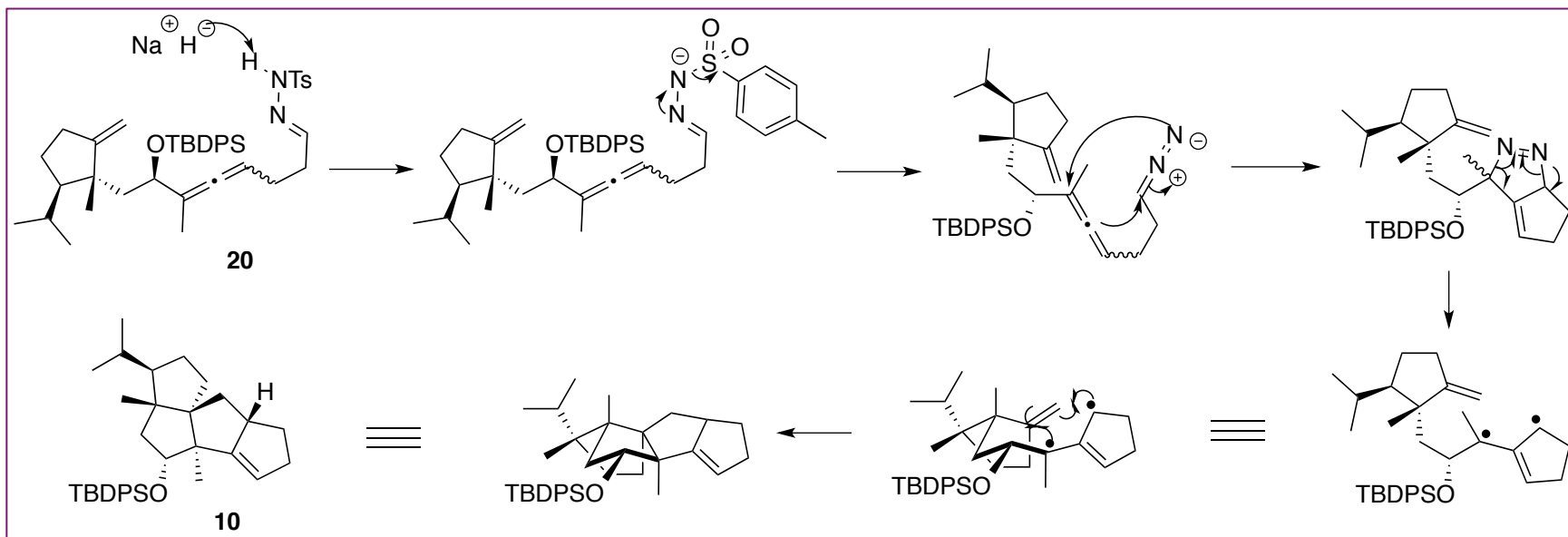
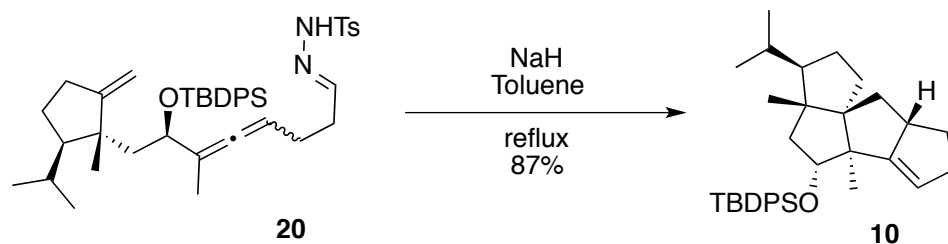


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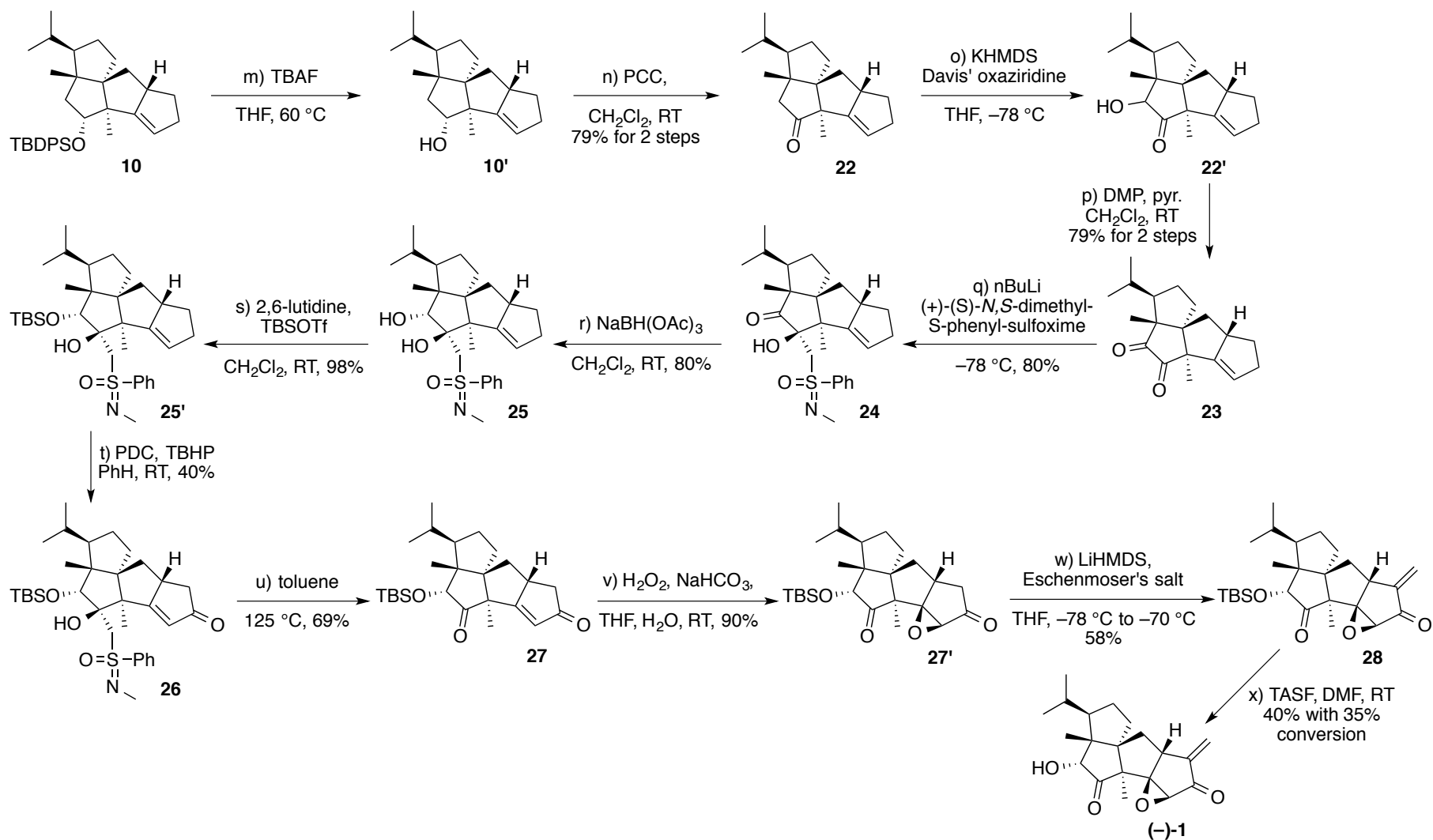


## IV. Forward Synthesis

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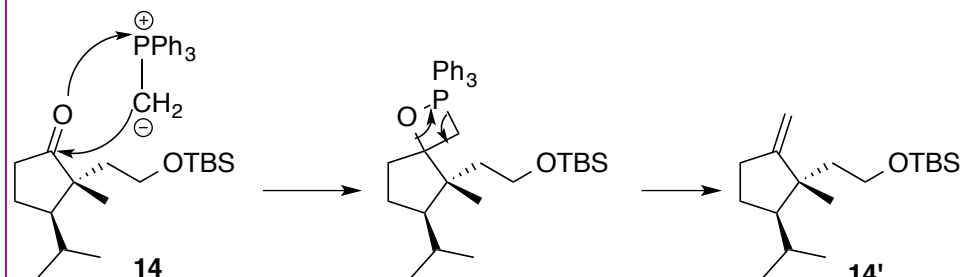


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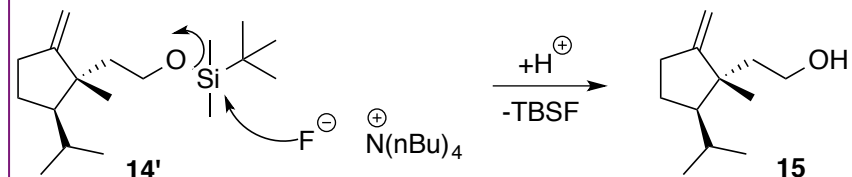


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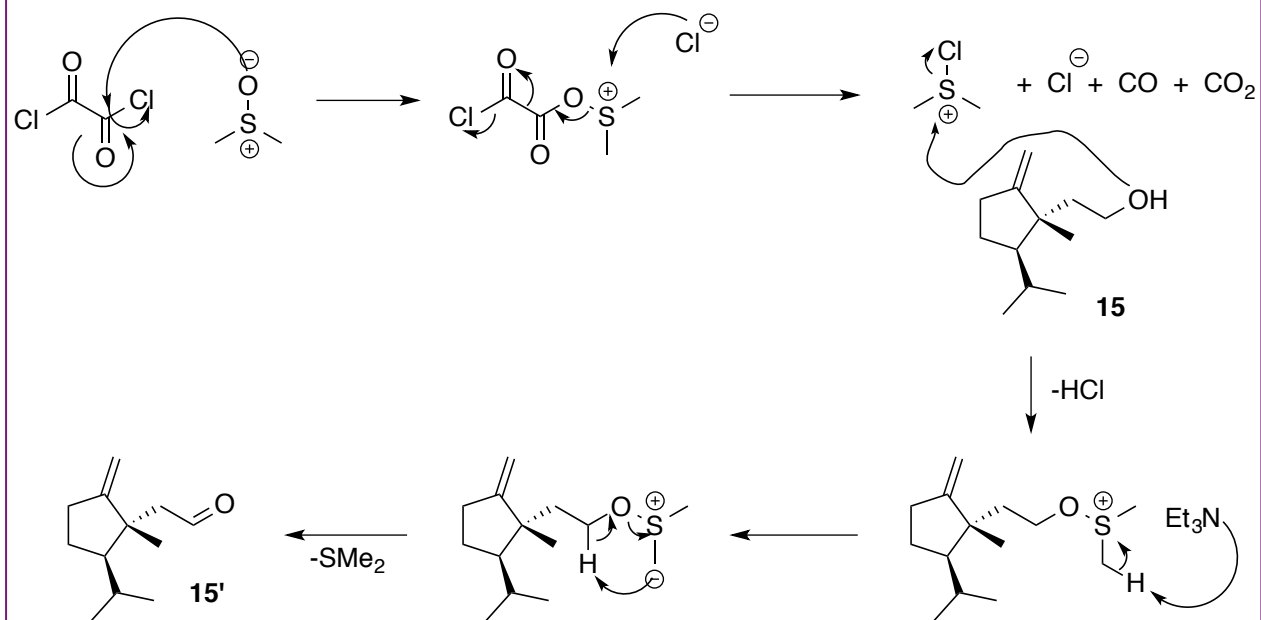
Mechanism a: Wittig olefination



Mechanism b: TBS deprotection



Mechanism c: Swern oxidation

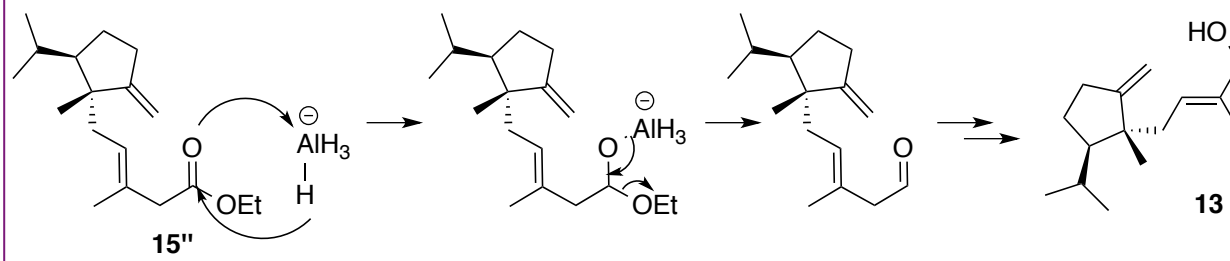


## V. Mechanisms

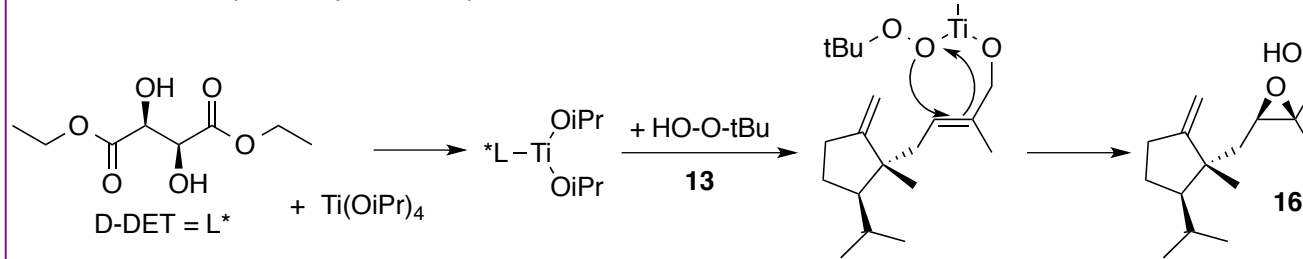
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Mechanism d: Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons olefination  
See mechanism a

Mechanism e: LAH reduction

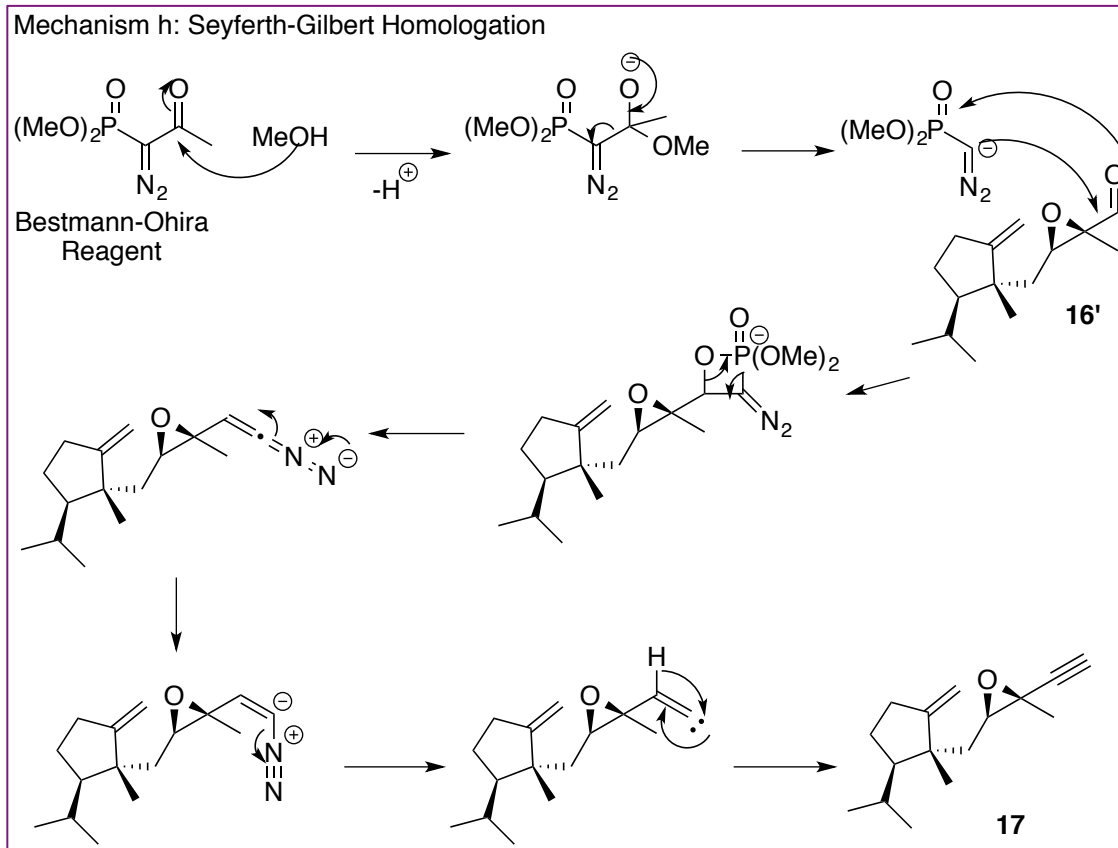


Mechanism f: Sharpless Asymmetric Epoxidation



Mechanism g: Swern oxidation  
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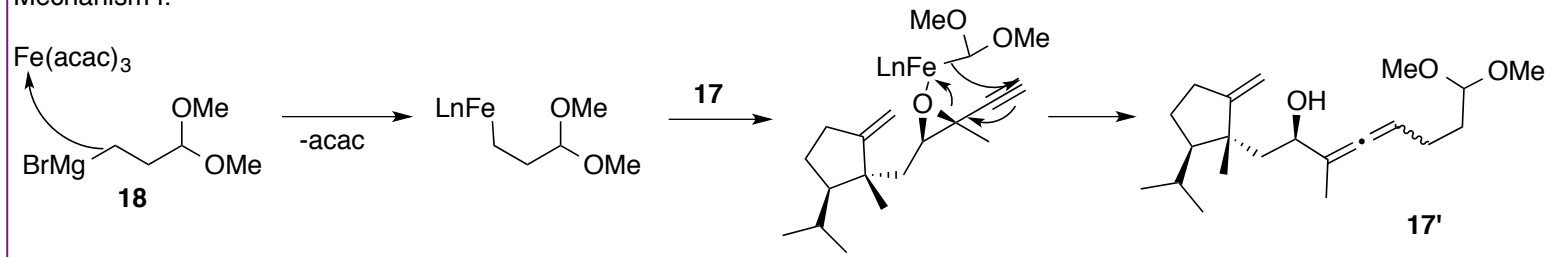
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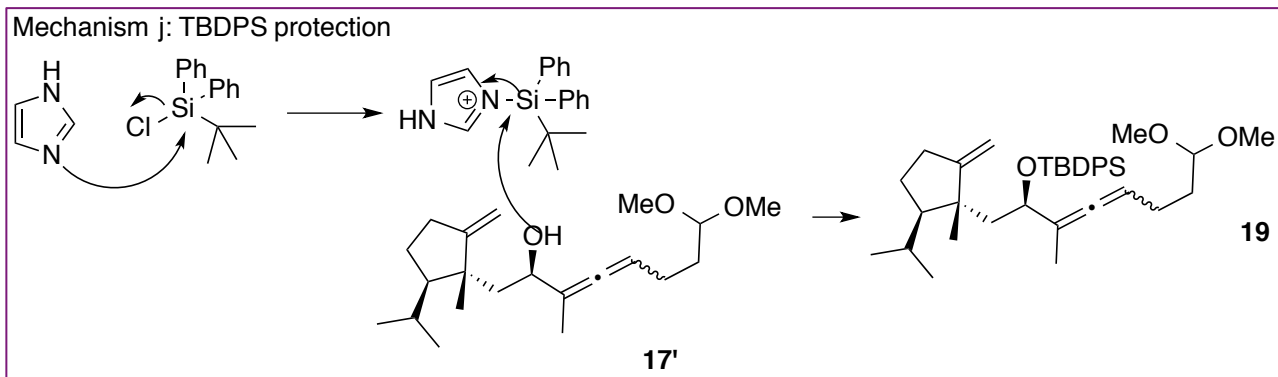


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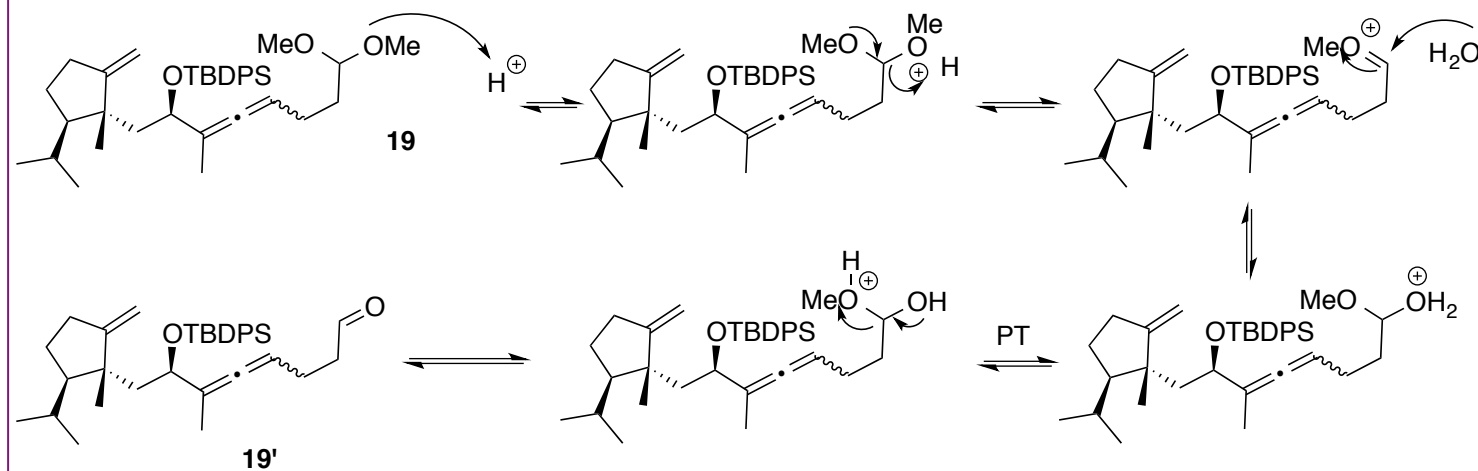


Mechanism j: TBDPS protection

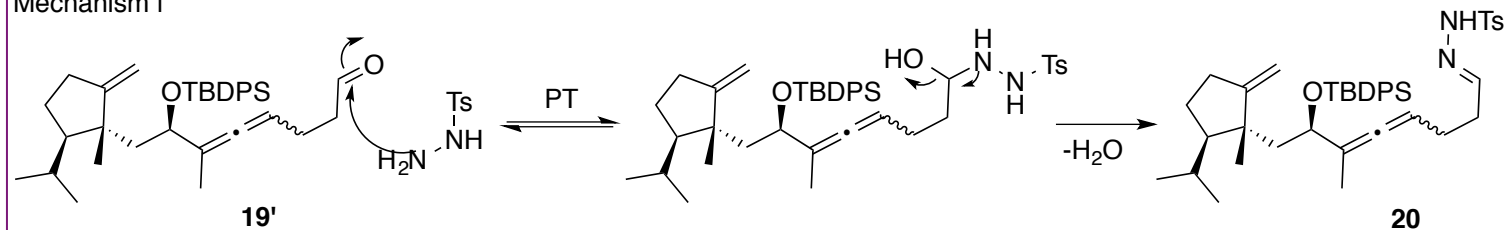


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Mechanism k: Acetal hydrolysis



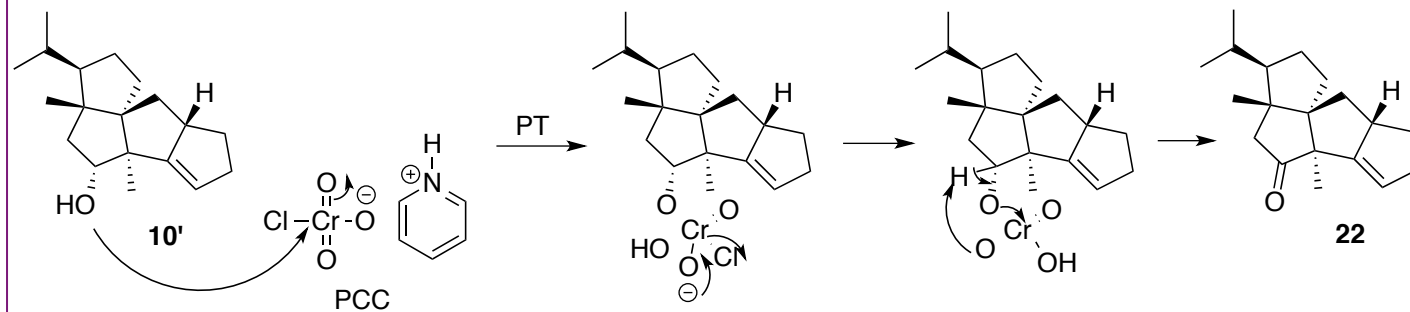
Mechanism l



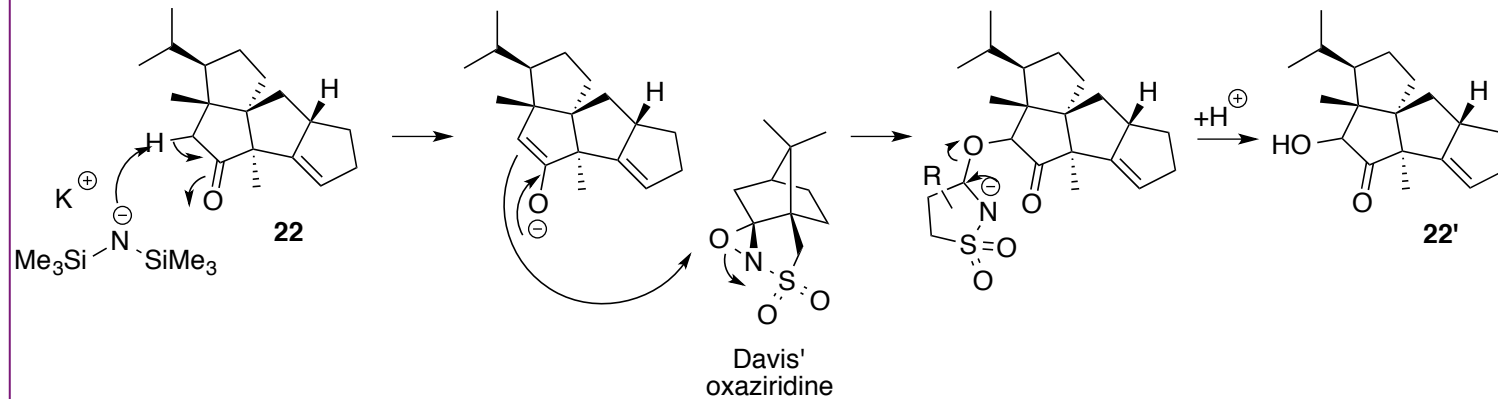
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Mechanism m:  
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Mechanism n: PCC oxidation

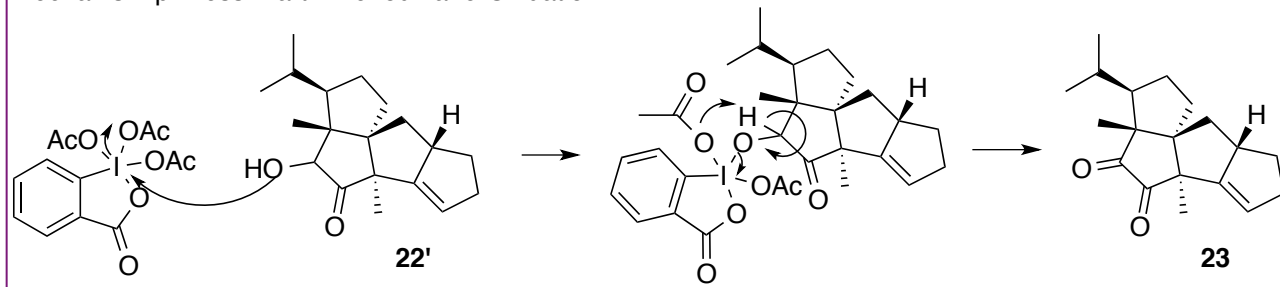


Mechanism o:

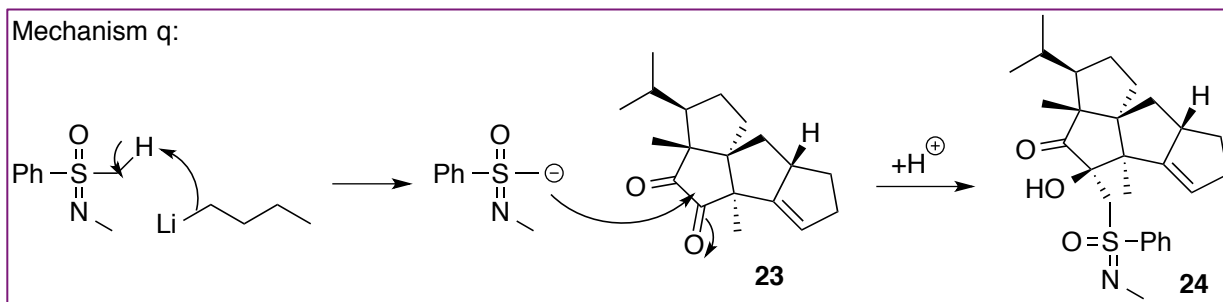


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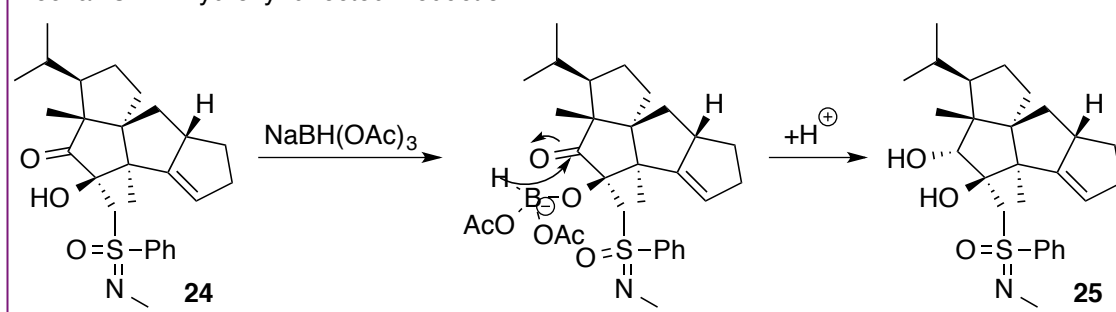
Mechanism p: Dess-Martin Periodinane Oxidation



Mechanism q:



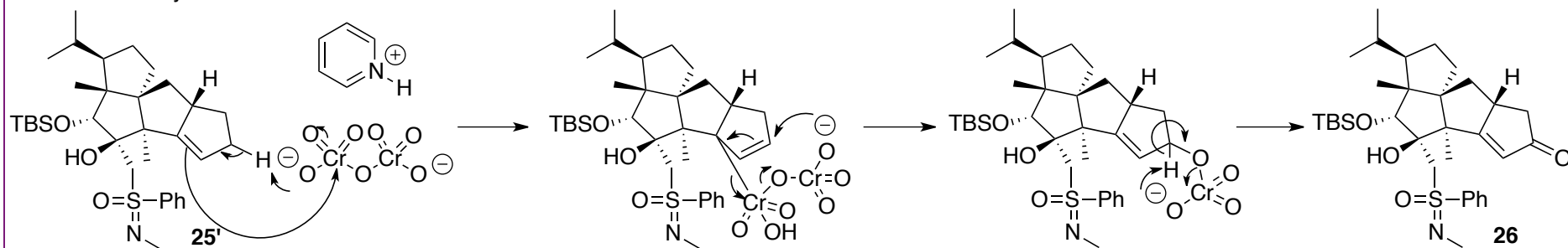
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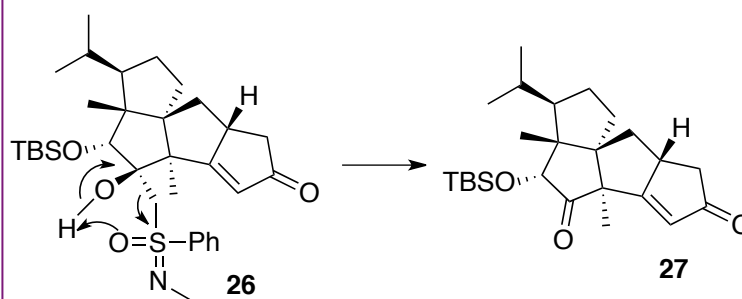
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Mechanism s: TBS protection  
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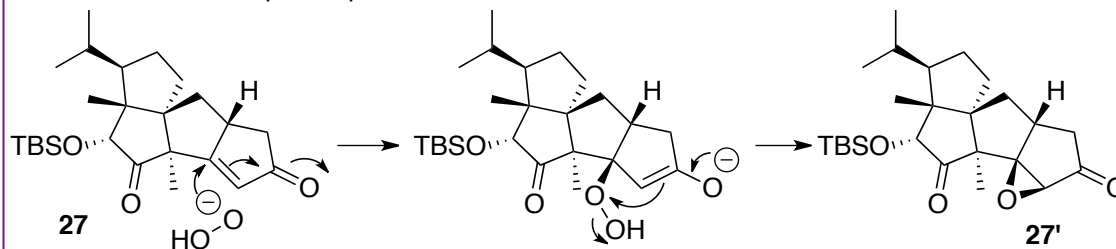
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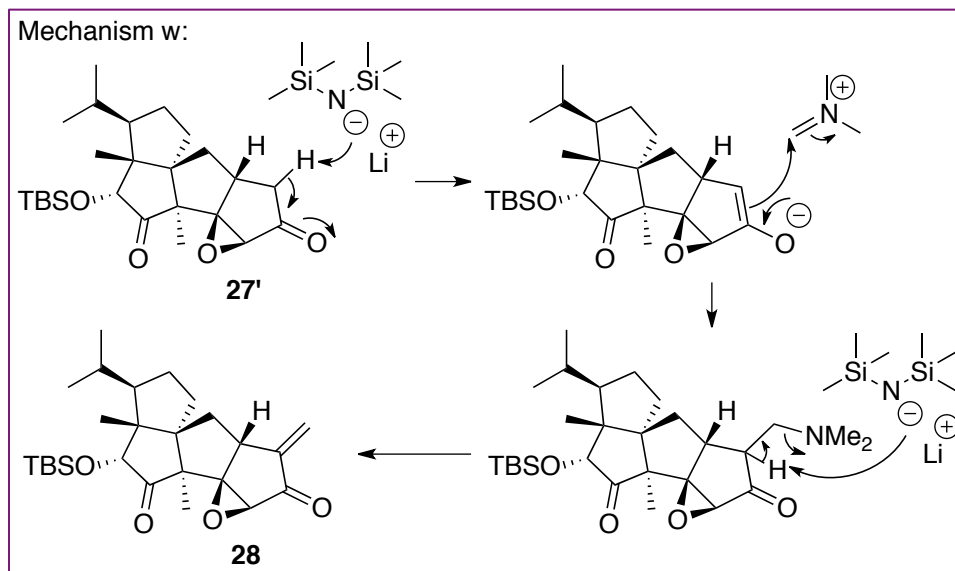
Mechanism u:



Mechanism v: Nucleophilic epoxidation



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Mechanism x: TBAF deprotection  
See mechanism b

