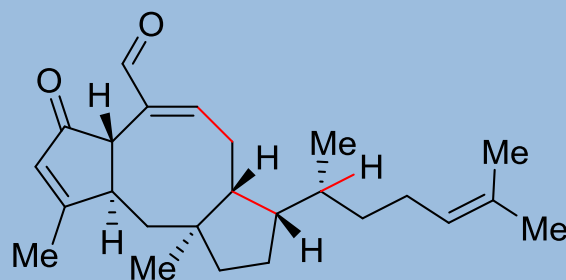


Enantioselective synthesis of an ophiobolin sesterpene via a programmed radical cascade

Presented by:
Sankar



(-)-6-*epi*-ophiobolin N

Science, 2016, 352, 1078

Author Profile

Education

B.S. University of California, Berkeley with Prof. Dirk Trauner

Ph.D. The Scripps Research Institute, with Phil Baran

NIH Postdoctoral Fellow, MIT, with Steve Buchwald

Currently an assistant professor at UCB

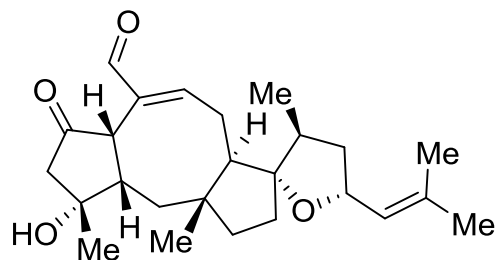
Research interest

Synthesis of biologically active natural products



Introduction to ophiobolins

1. Ophiobolins belong to an expanding family of terpenoids
2. Possess stereochemically rich and synthetically formidable 5-8-5 fused ring system
3. Shows potent cytotoxic effects against several cancer cell lines
4. More than 30 distinct members have been isolated to date



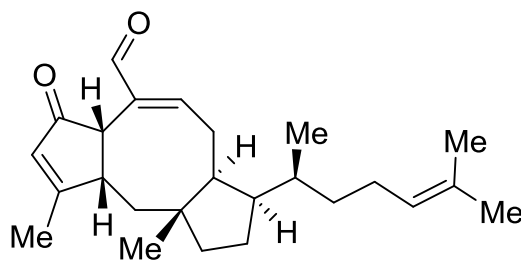
ophiobolin A

47 steps to synthesize

Kishi et al.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 2735

Powerful inhibitor of colmodulin

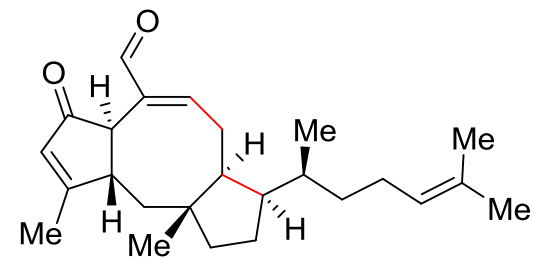


ophiobolin C

38 steps to synthesize

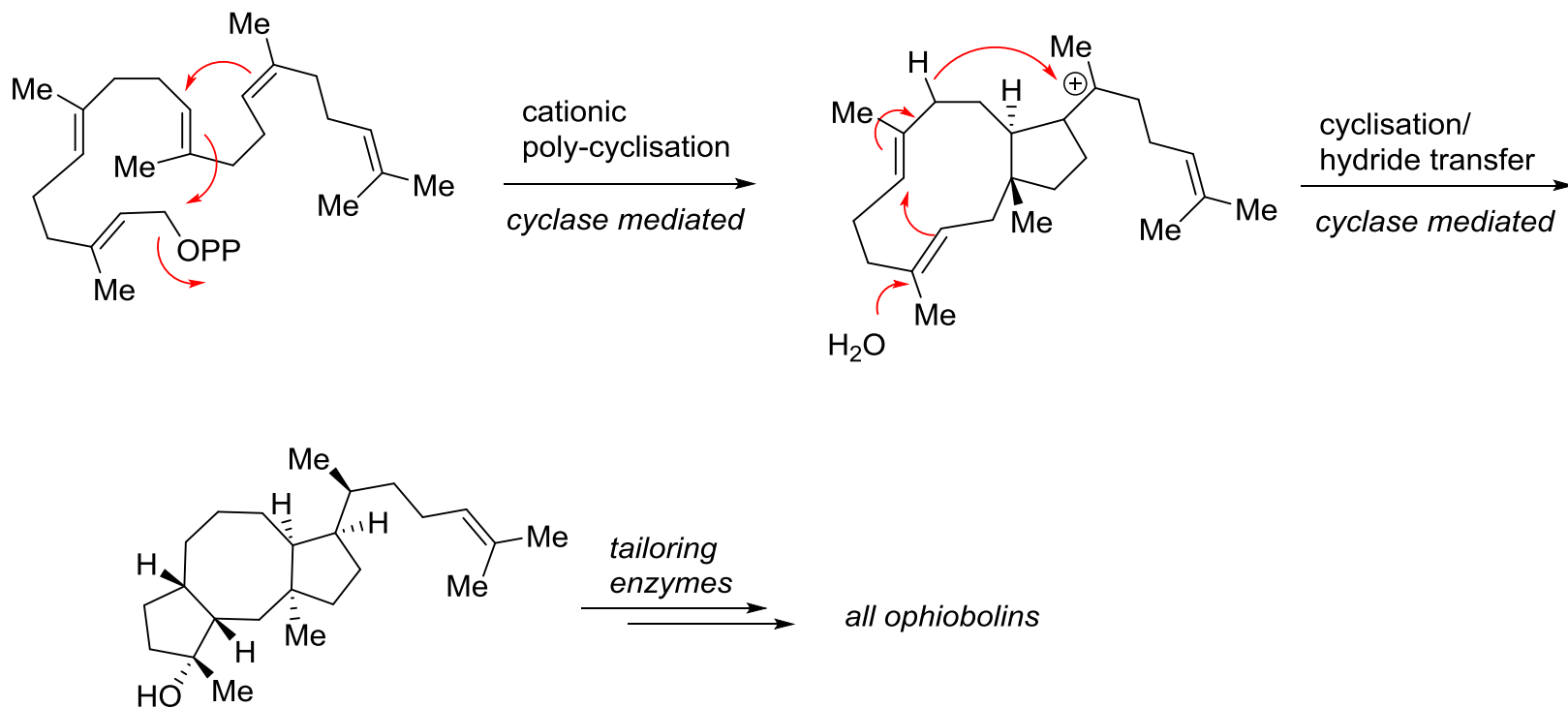
Nakada et al.

Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2011, 50, 9452



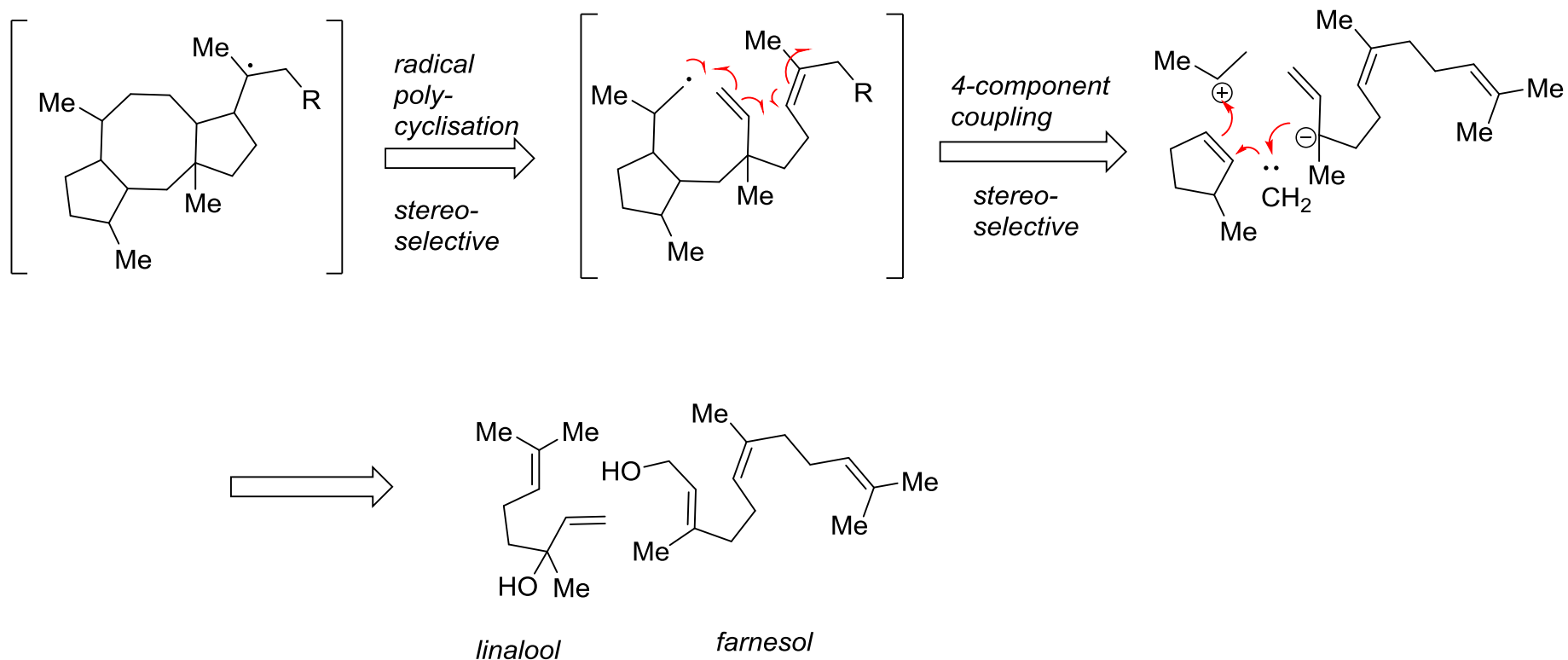
6-*epi*-ophiobolin N

Biosynthesis of ophiobolins

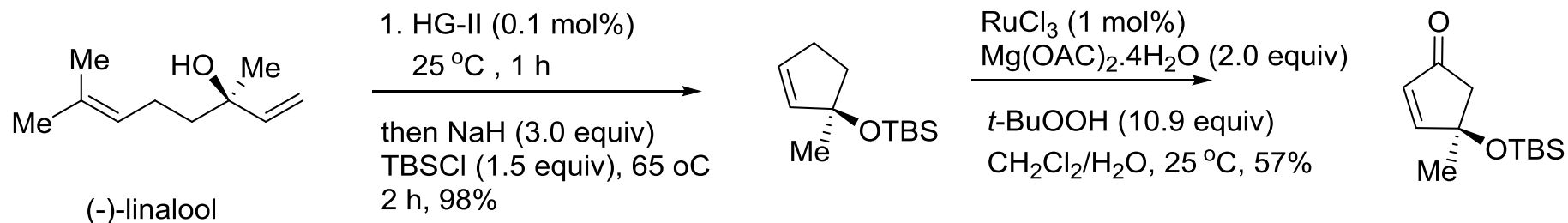


See also: Oikawa, H. et al, *Org. Lett.* **2013**, *15*, 594

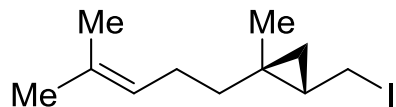
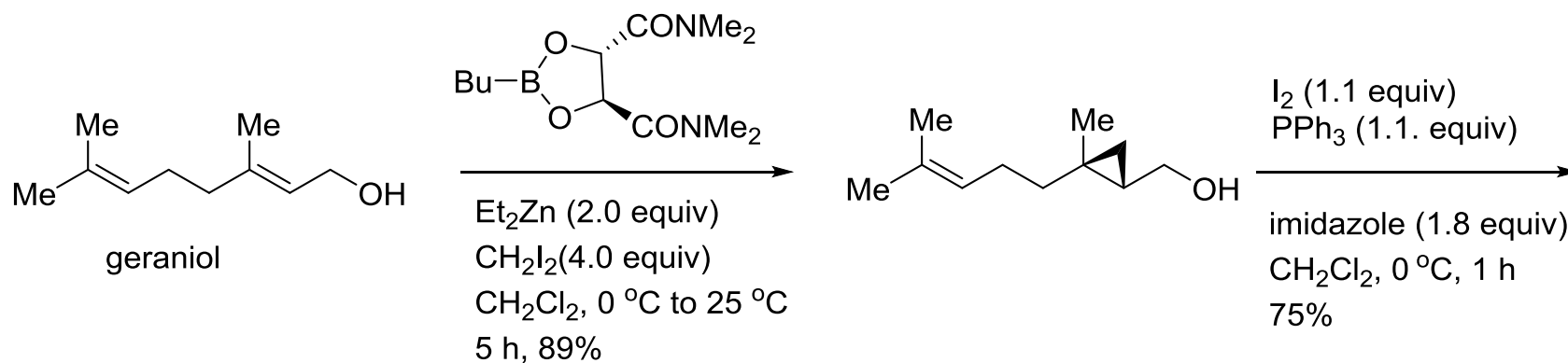
Retrosynthetic analysis with a strategic radical cascade



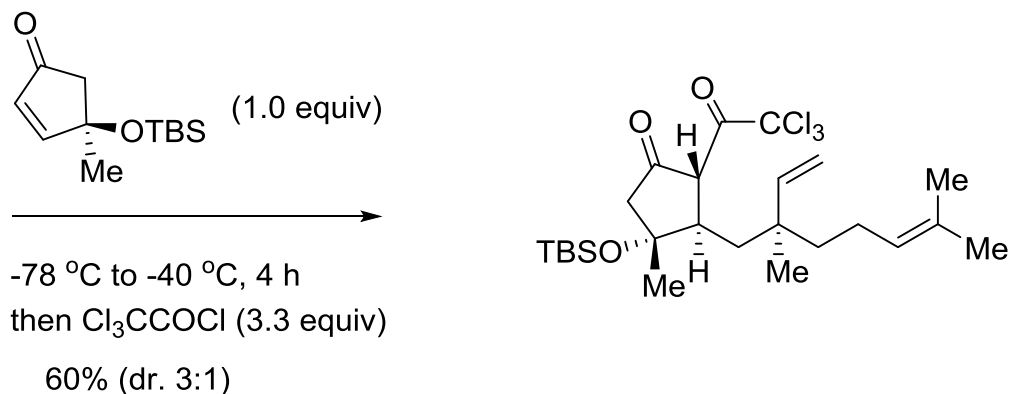
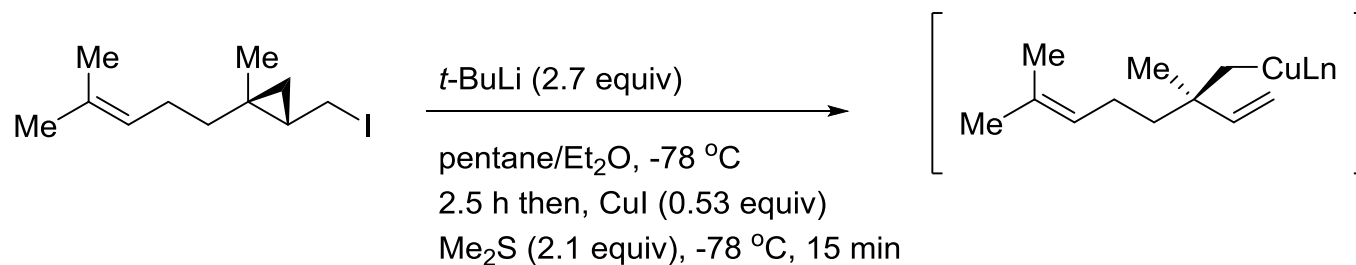
Efficient convergent four-step entry into complex 5-8-5 fused ring systems



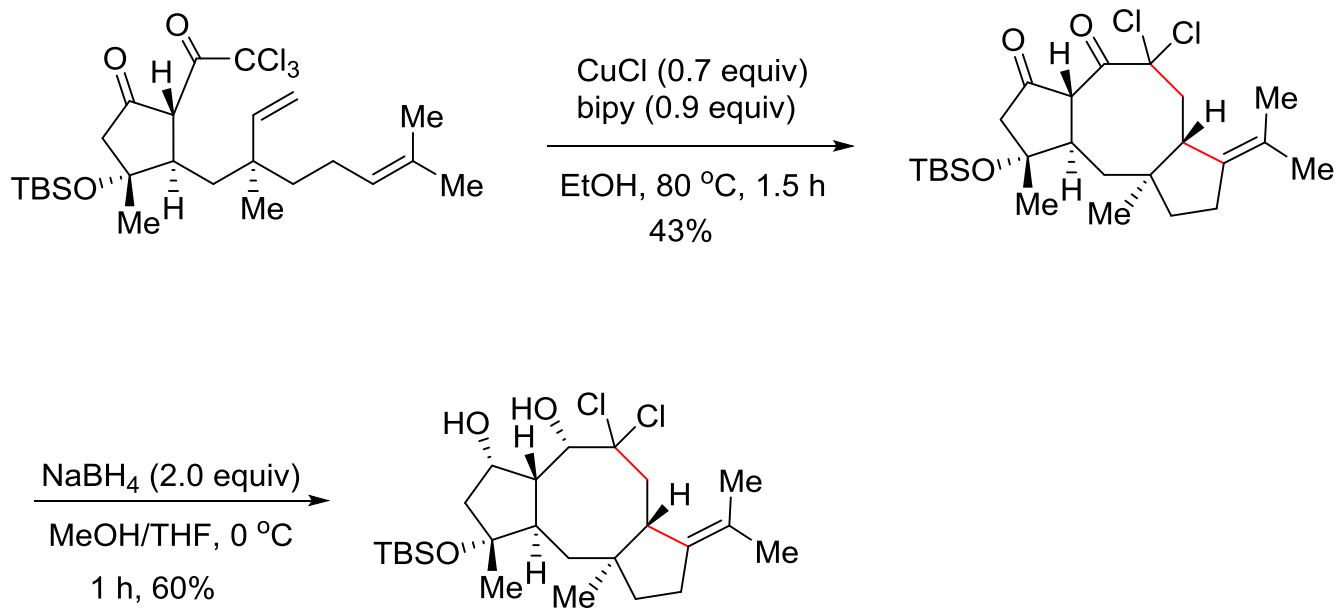
Four-step entry into complex 5-8-5 fused ring systems



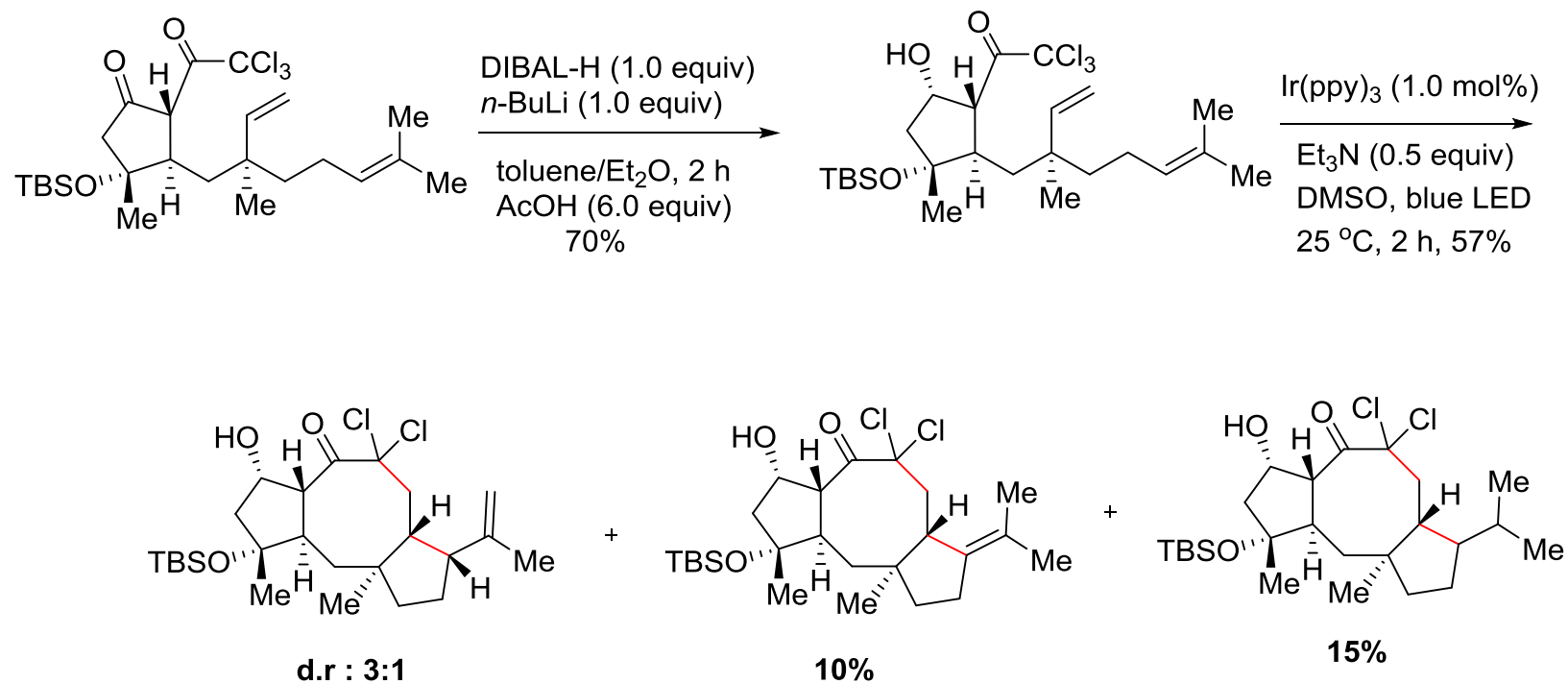
Four-step entry into complex 5-8-5 fused ring systems



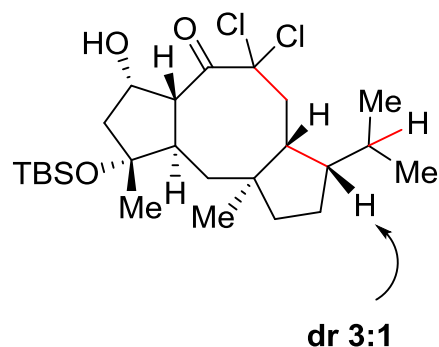
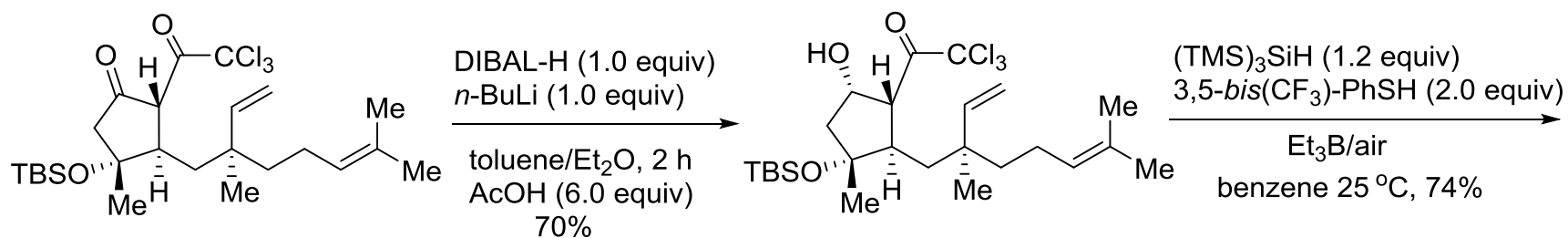
Four-step entry into complex 5-8-5 fused ring systems



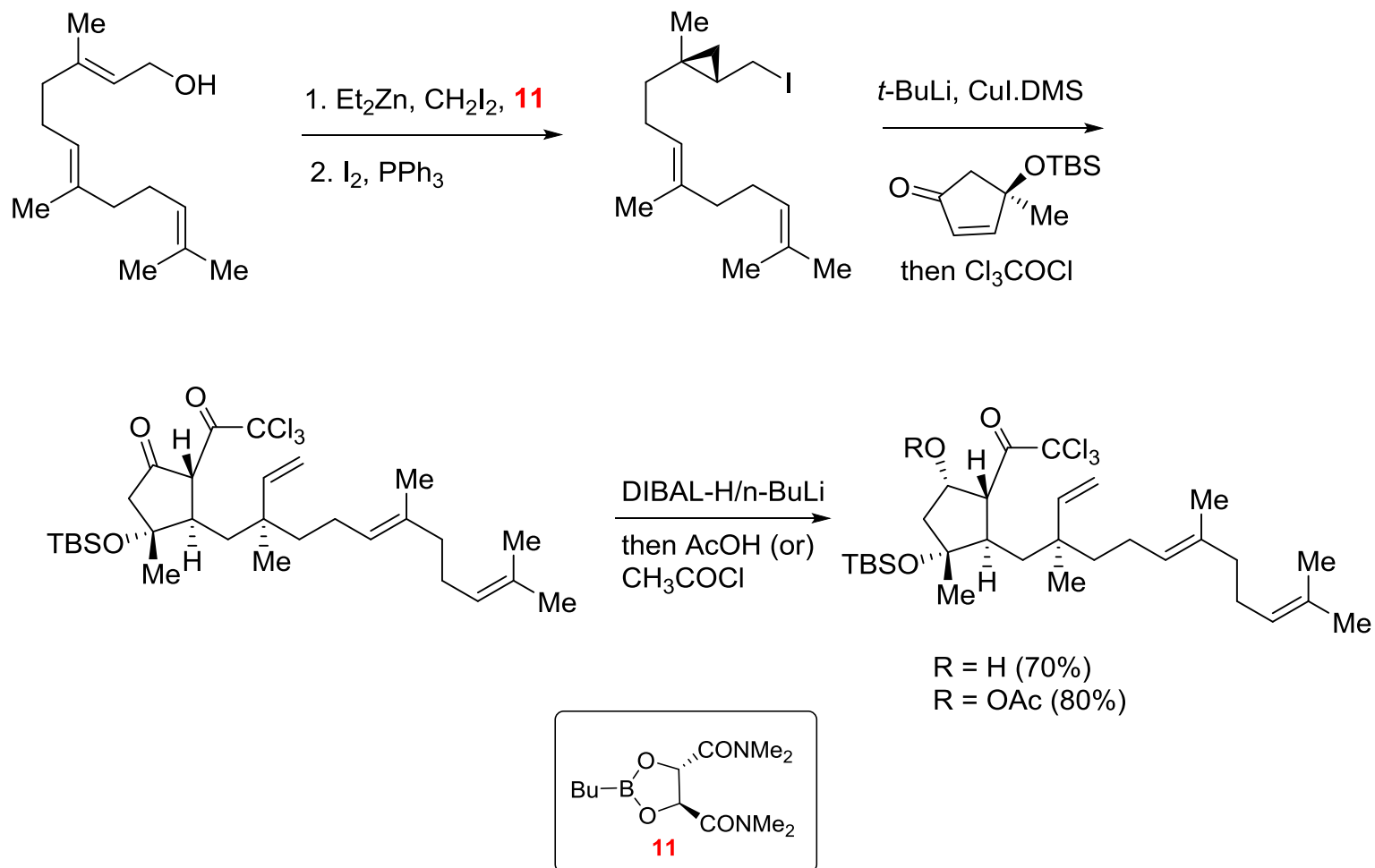
Four-step entry into complex 5-8-5 fused ring systems



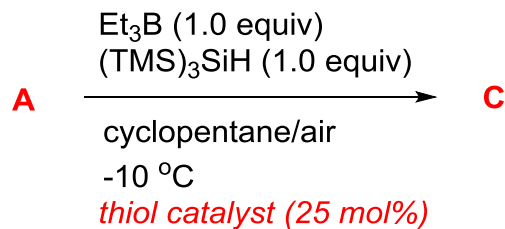
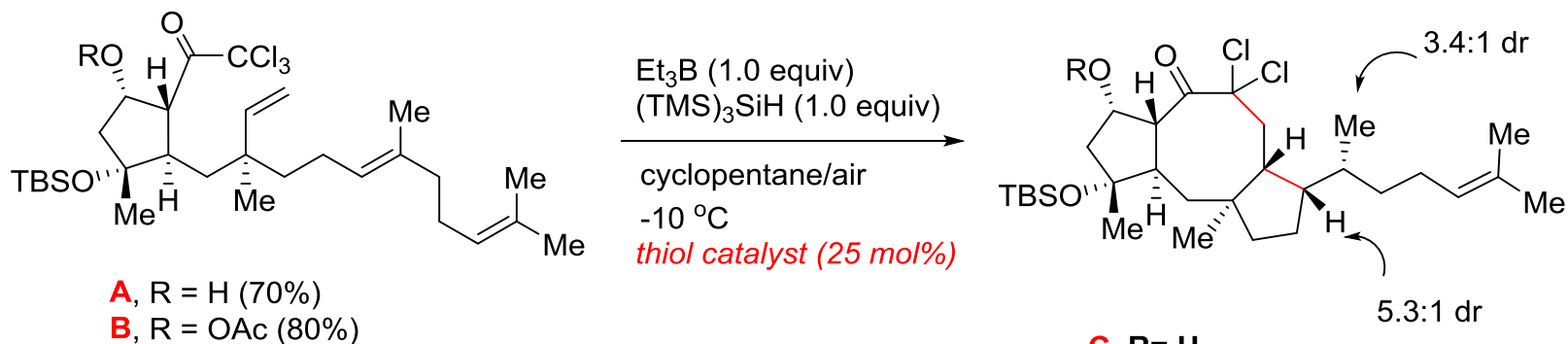
Four-step entry into complex 5-8-5 fused ring systems



Total synthesis of an ophiobolin sesterpene



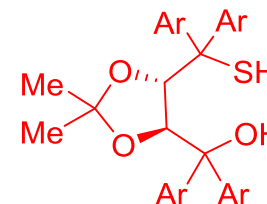
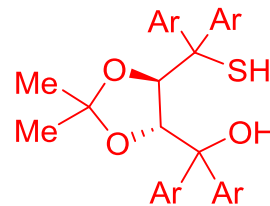
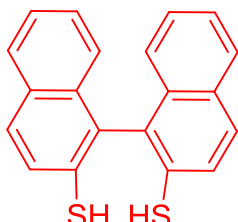
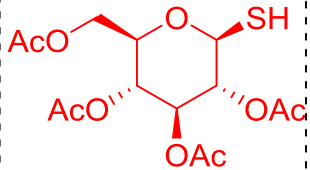
Total synthesis of an ophiobolin sesterpene



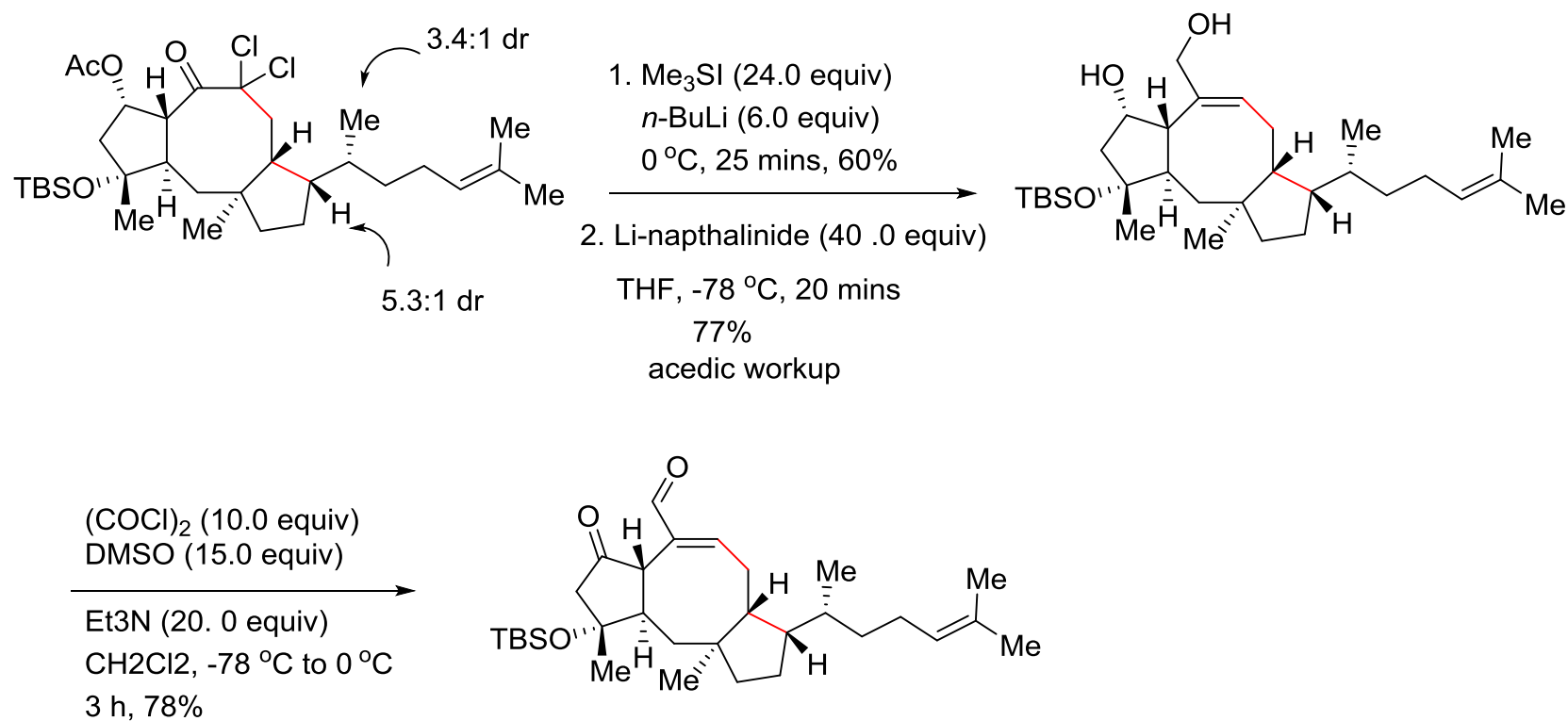
PhSH
59%, 1:1.4

C₁₂H₂₅SH
50%, 1:1.6

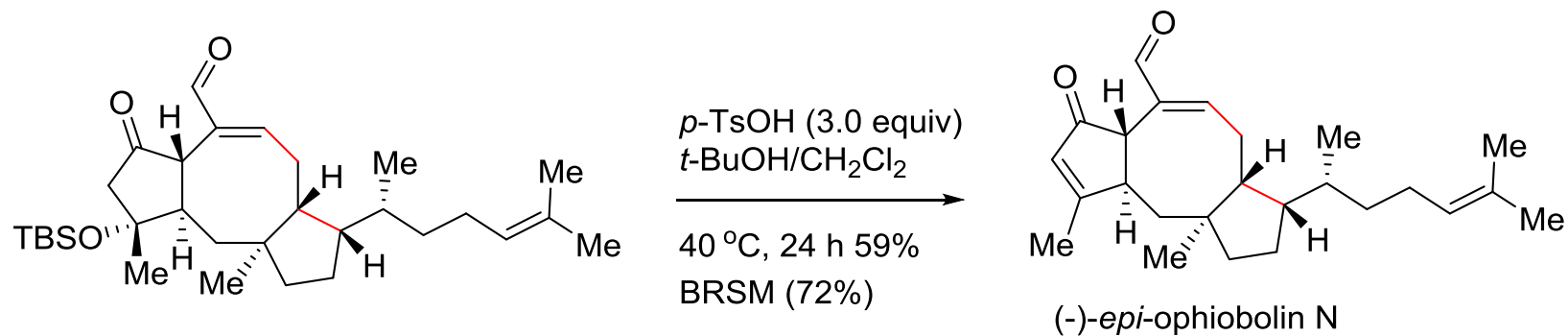
3,5-CF₃PhSH
50%, 1:1.6



Total synthesis of an ophiobolin sesterpene



Total synthesis of an ophiobolin sesterpene



Conclusion

1. Very elegant enantioselective Synthesis of 6-epi-ophiobolin was achieved in 9 steps with 2% overall yield
2. Efficient construction of 5-8-5 fused ring system using reductive cyclisation cascade

Flaws

1. Lack of complete diastereocontrol in several steps

Thank you...!!