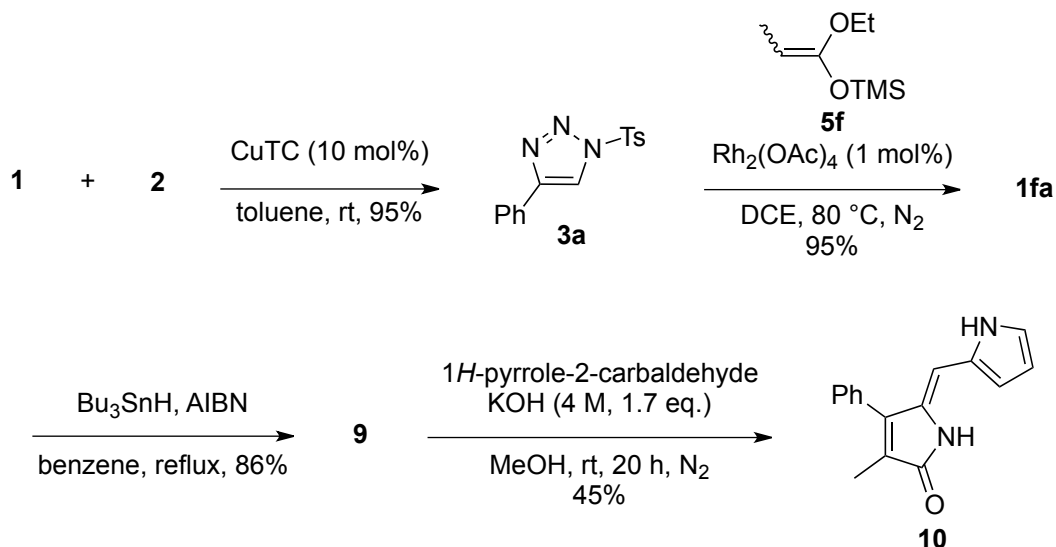
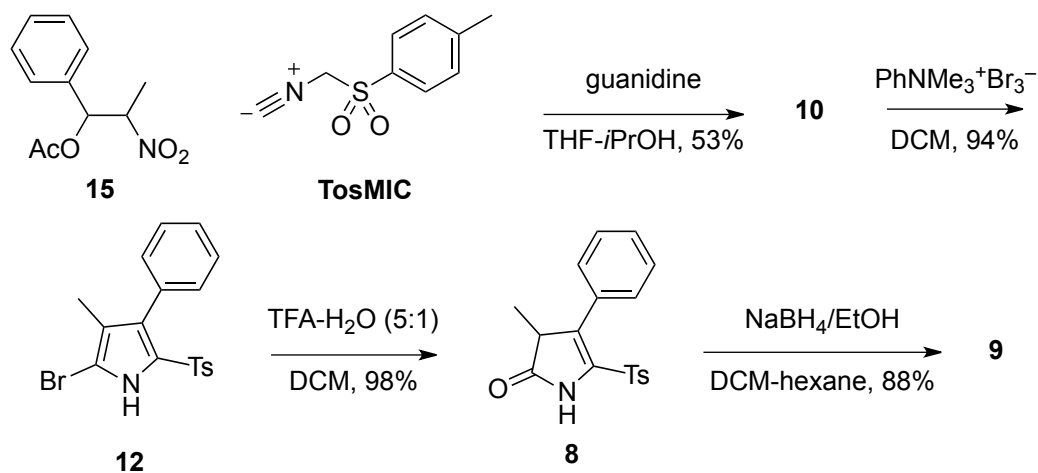


Rhodium-Catalyzed transannulation and Barton-Zard Reaction Synthesis of 3-pyrrolin-2-one



The compound **9** can be synthesized in 4 steps. The first step is a Barton-Zard reaction between (*p*-toluenesulfonyl)methyl isocyanide and 2-nitro-1-phenylpropanol acetate :

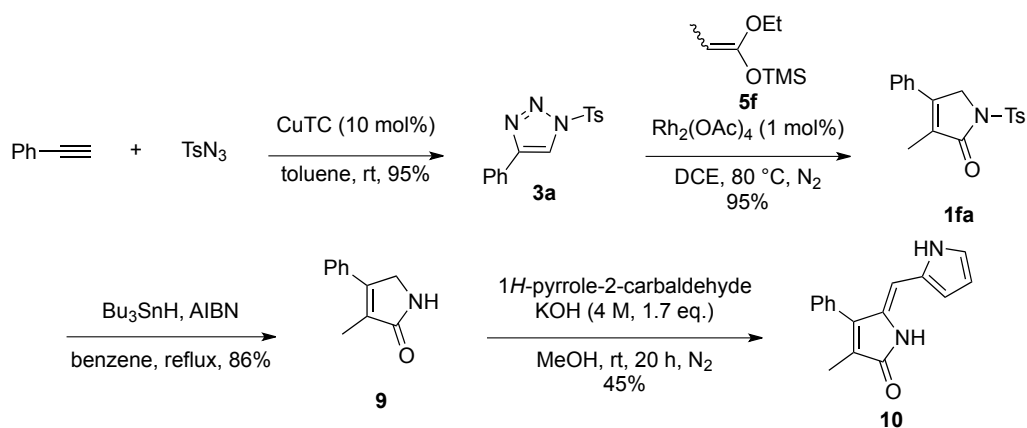


1/ Give the structure of the missing compounds (**1**, **2**, **1fa**, **9** and **10**).

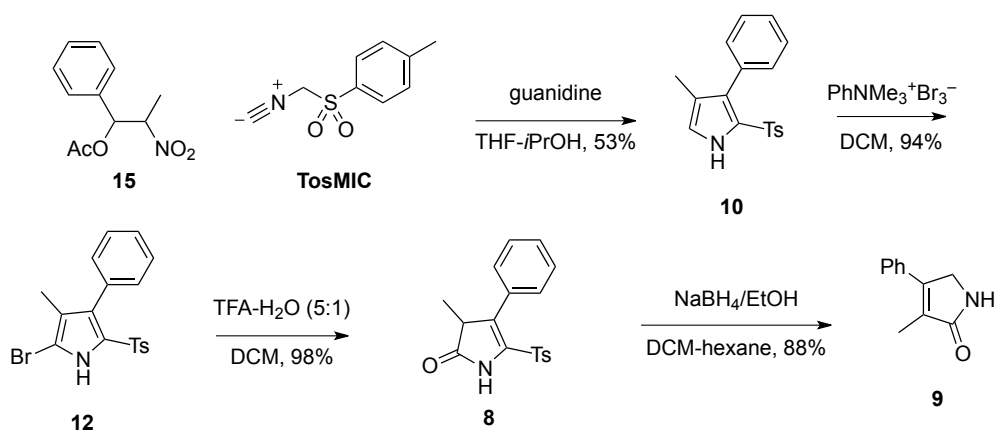
2/ Proposed a mechanism for the key step (**1fa** from **3a**).

3/ Proposed a mechanism for the Barton-Zard reaction (formation of **10**).

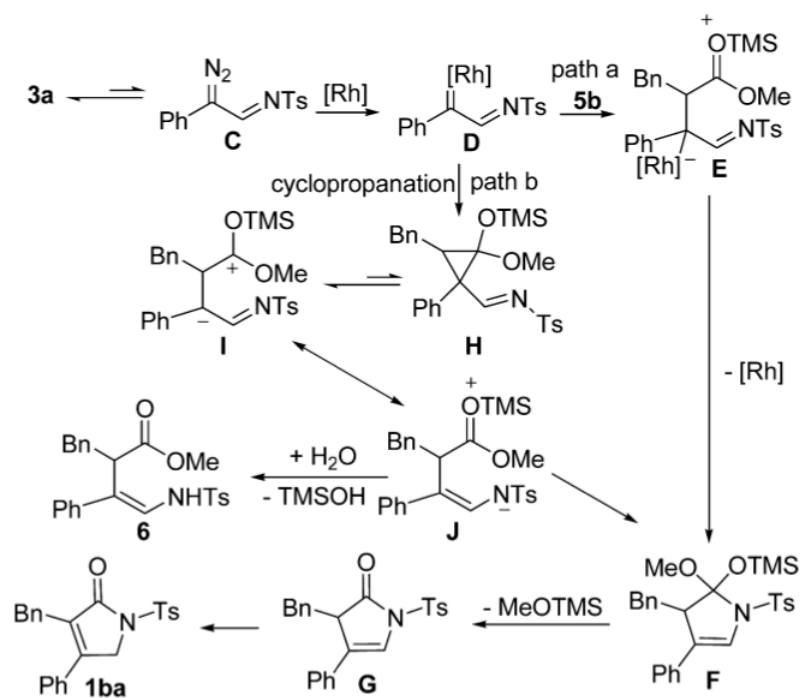
Solution:
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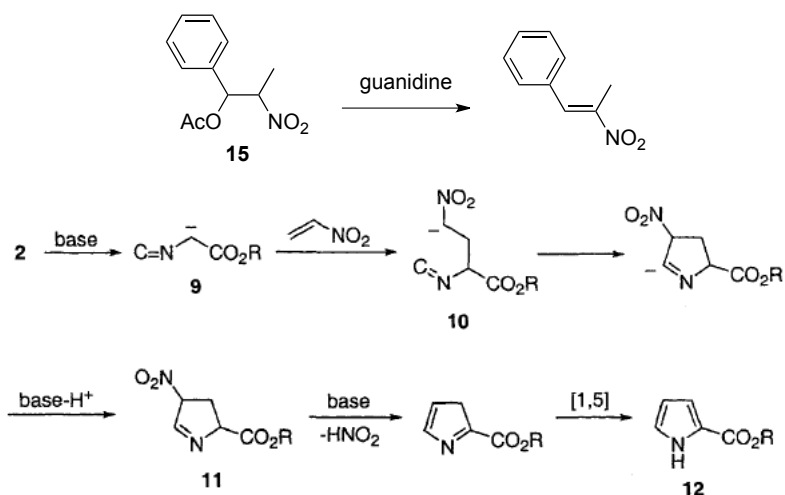
Other pathway for **9**:



2/ 2 possible mechanisms were proposed by the authors :



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