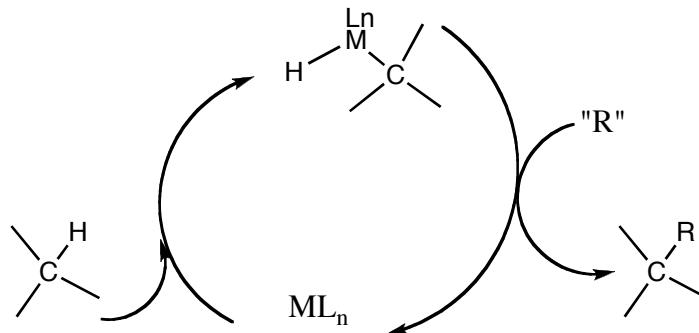
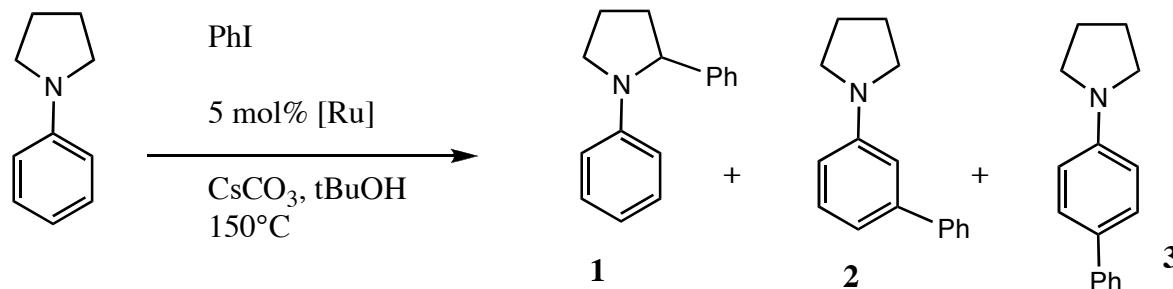


# C-H activation for C-C bond formation

Direct C-H activation requires insertion of a transition metal (usually Ru, Ir, Rh or Pd) across a strong C-H bond (90-105 kcal/mol) to form a new, weaker C-M bond (50-80 kcal/mol), followed by generation of a new C-R bond



C-H activation is limited to simple aryl and vinyl  $sp^2$  C-H bonds and C-H bonds adjacent to heteroatoms

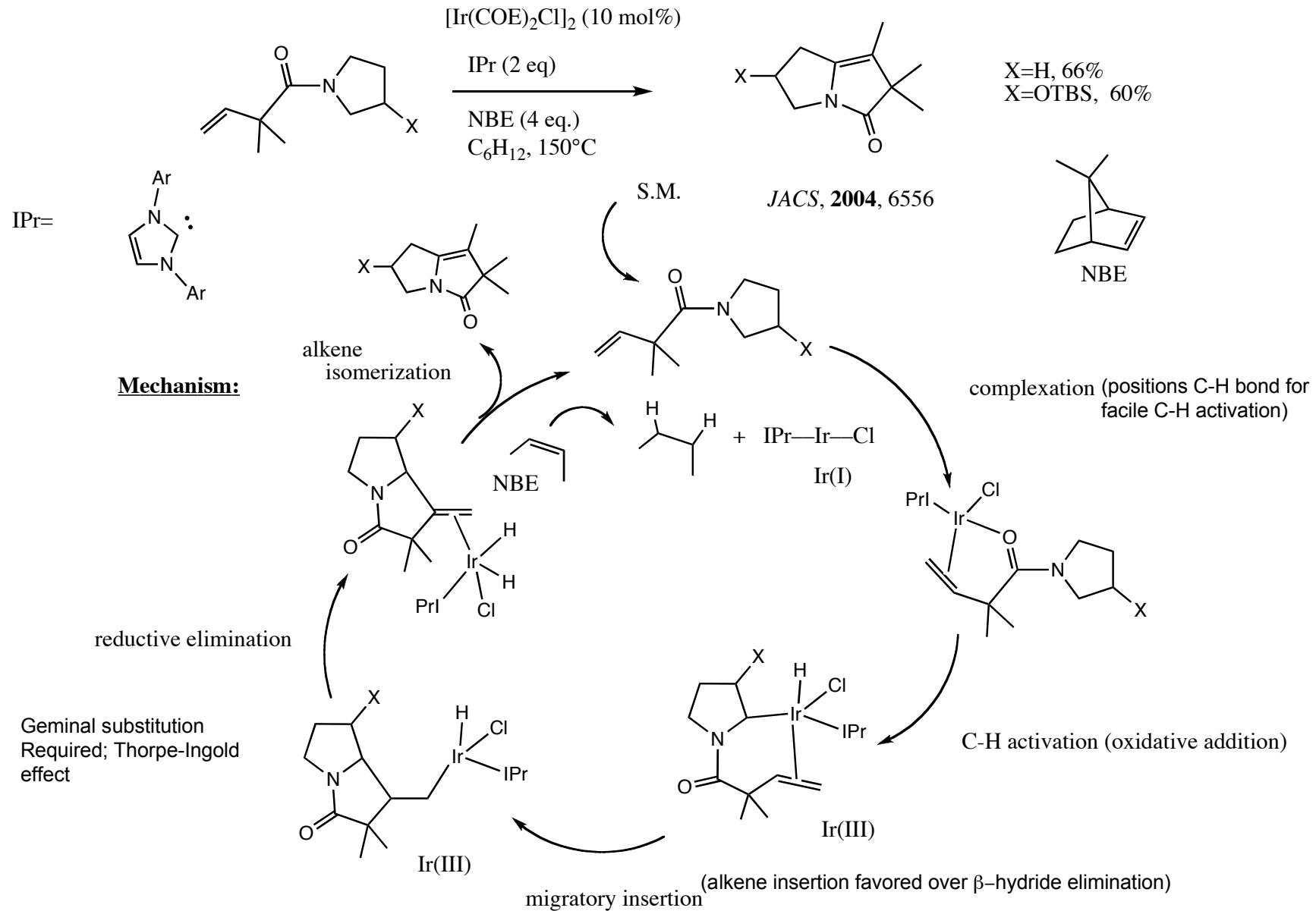


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[Ru]	1 / 2 / 3 %
Ru(H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (PCy <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	40 / 7 / 4
Ru(H <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> (H) <sub>2</sub> (PCy <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	59 / 9 / 4

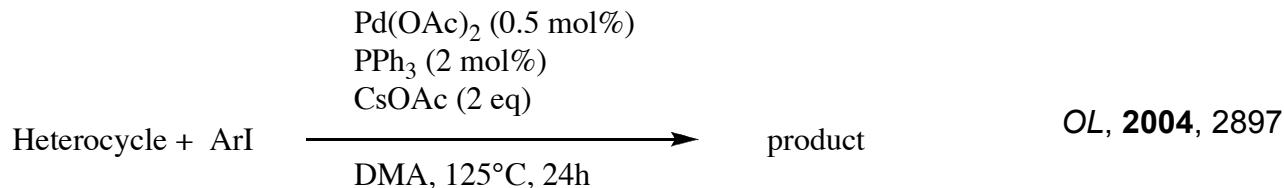
# C-H activation for C-C bond formation

## Intramolecular sp<sup>3</sup> C-H activation/cyclization



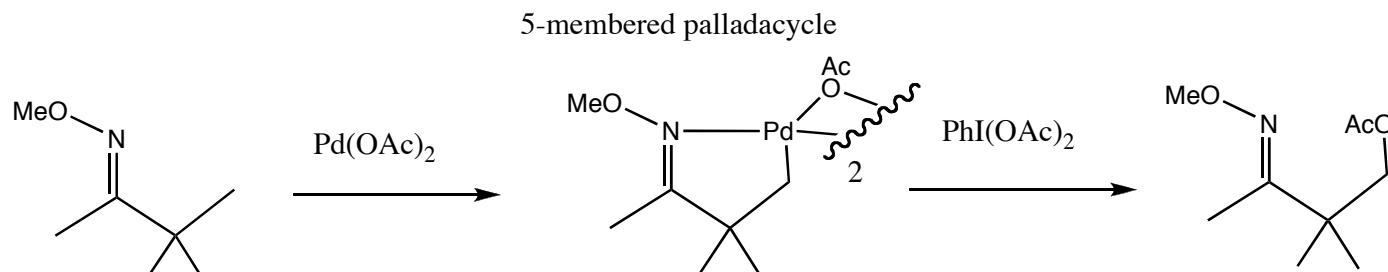
# C-H activation for C-C bond formation

Activation of C(sp<sup>2</sup>)-H bonds  $\alpha$  to N:



substrate	ArI	products (yield)
	Ph-I	85%
	I-cyclohexadiene	73%
	Ph-I	52%
	Ph-I	73%

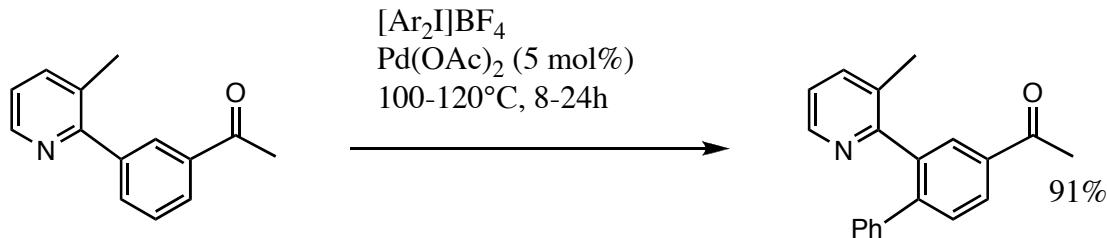
# Palladium-Catalyzed Oxygenation of Unactivated C-H bonds



substrate	product	yield	
		61%	C-H activation to form a palladacycle intermediate stoichiometric oxidant accomplishes Pd(II)→Pd(IV) oxidation, followed by C-O bond-forming reductive elimination
		81%	
		66%	
		81%	

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# C-H activation for C-C bond formation



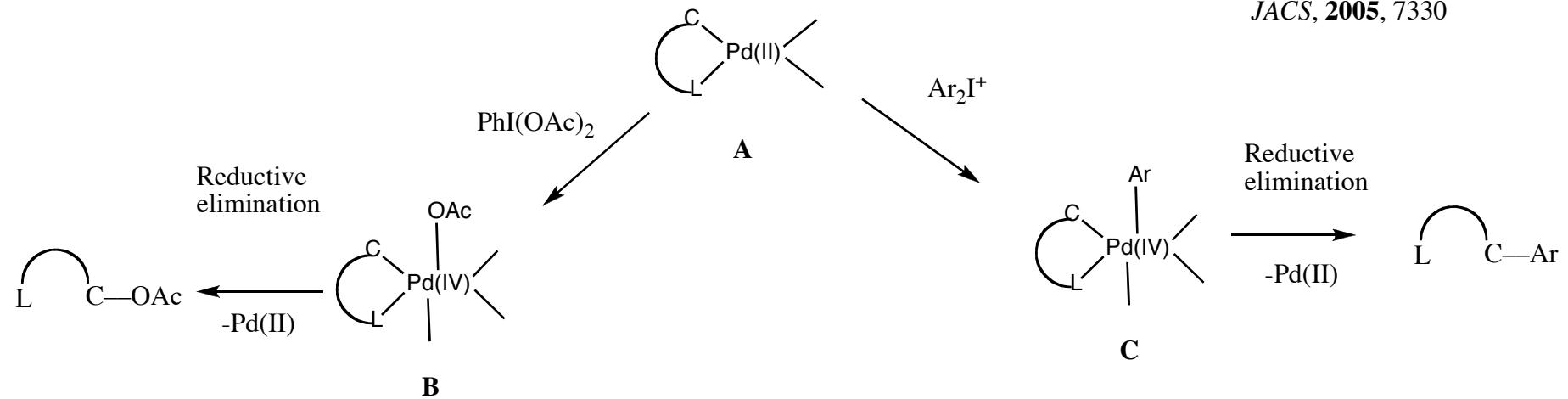
<u>substrate</u>	<u>Product</u>	<u>Yield</u>
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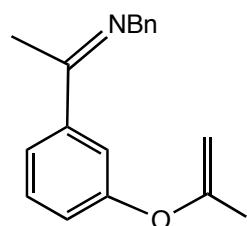
## Mechanism of Sanford Arylation/Oxidation: putative Pd(IV) intermediate

L=ligating group; C=carbon of C-H insertion site

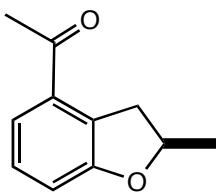
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## Imine-directed C-H activation and cyclization: enantioselective C-H activation

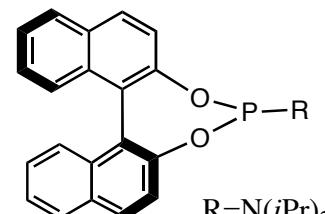


1. 5 mol%  $[\text{RhCl}(\text{coe})_2]_2$   
15 mol%  $\text{L}^*$   
2. aqueous work-up



99%, 96% ee

$\text{L}^* =$



$\text{R}=\text{N}(\text{CHCH}_3\text{Ph})_2$

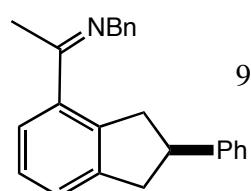
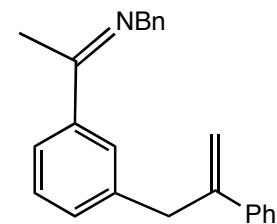
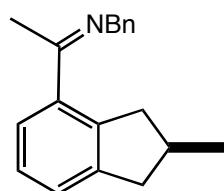
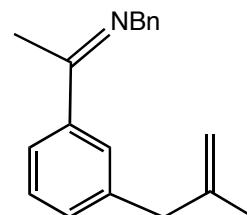
chiral phosphoramidite ligand

### substrate

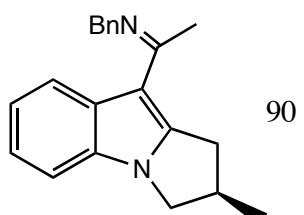
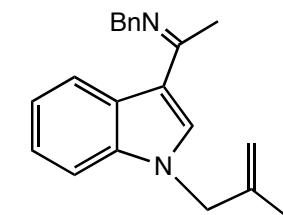
### product

### yield

94      95



96      90

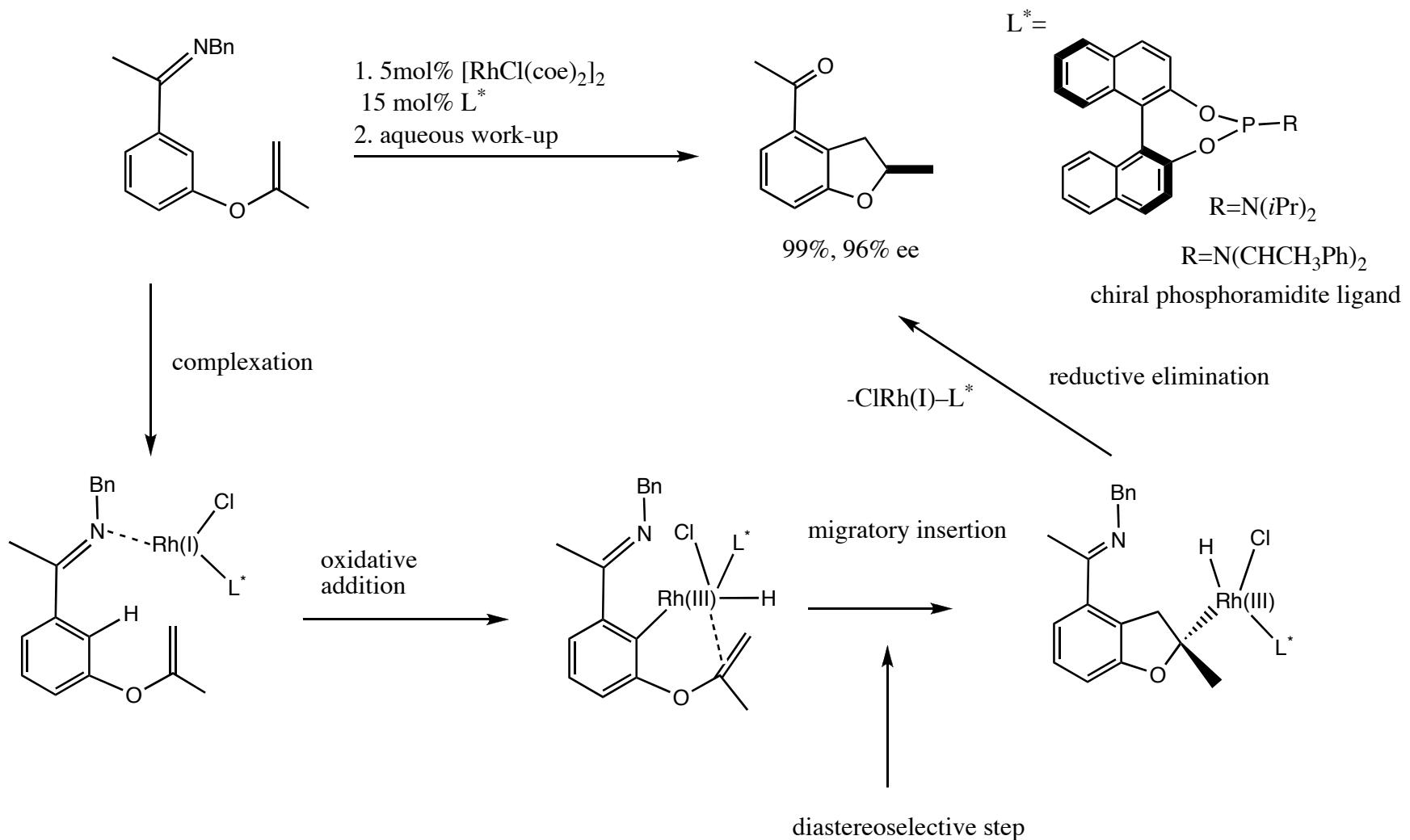


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- coordination of chiral rhodium to imine
- directed C-H insertion of the  $\alpha$ -aryl proton
- migratory insertion of the pendant olefin ligand
- reductive elimination  $\text{Rh(I)} \Rightarrow \text{Rh(III)} \Rightarrow \text{Rh(I)}$
- a highly diastereoselective migratory insertion of the olefin into the Rh-H bond is mediated by the chiral ligand framework

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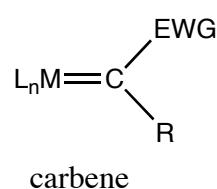
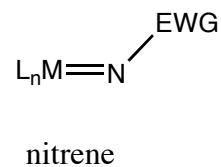
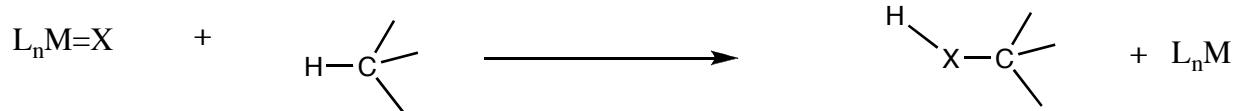
# Mechanism of Bergman-Ellman Enantioselective C-H activation



Note the importance of a directing group in all C-H activation processes!

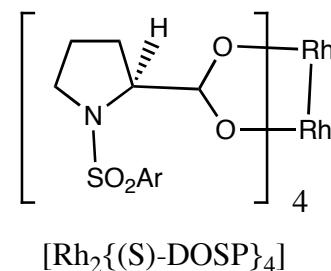
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### C-H insertion:

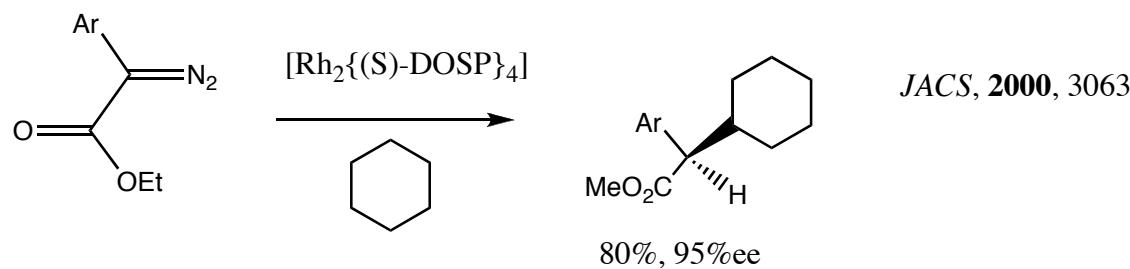


EWG required for sufficient reactivity  
R=EDG increases selectivity

common chiral dirhodium for carbeneoid formation:

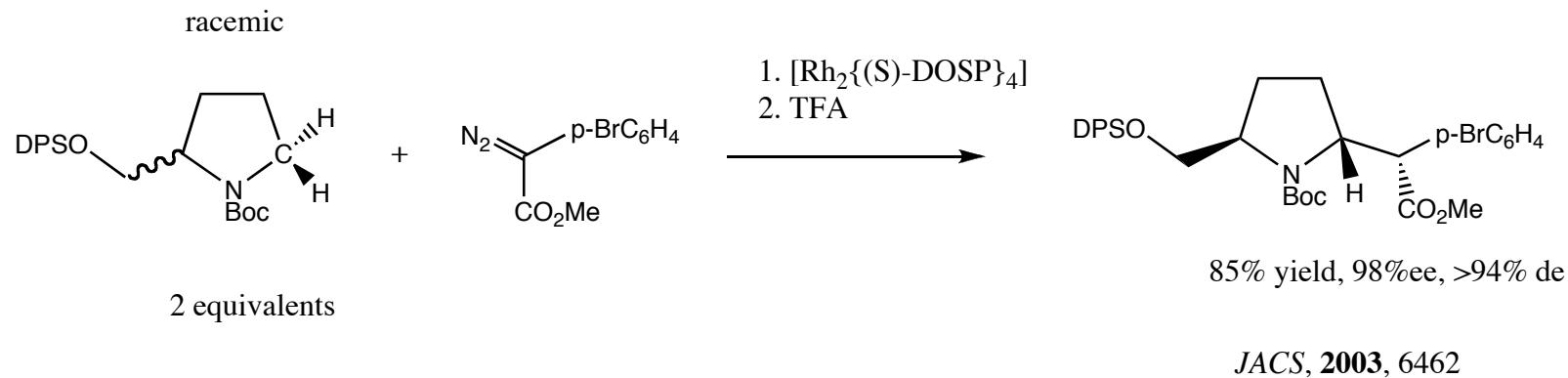


**Consider:**

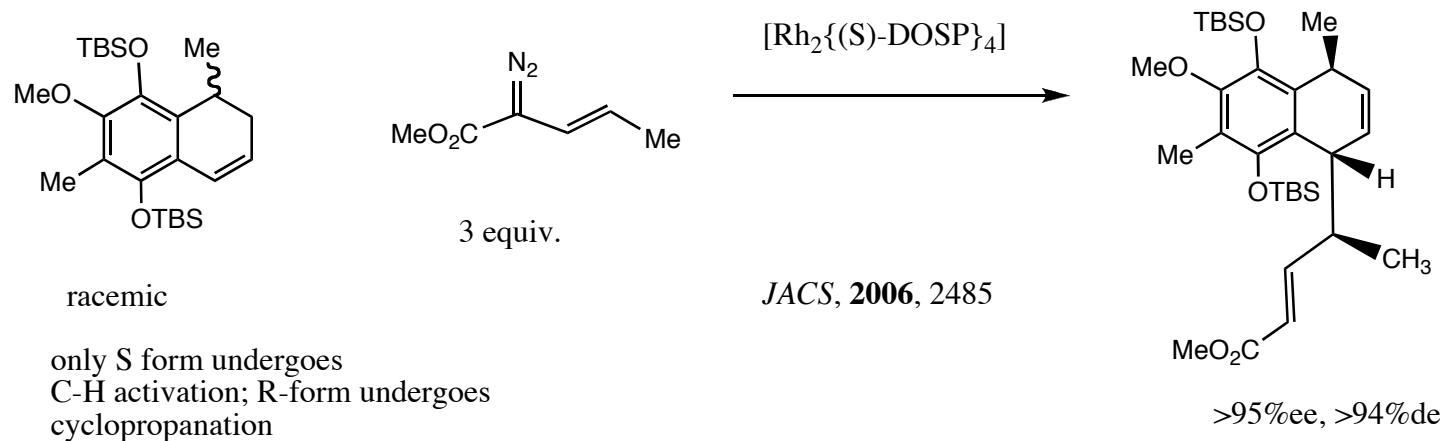


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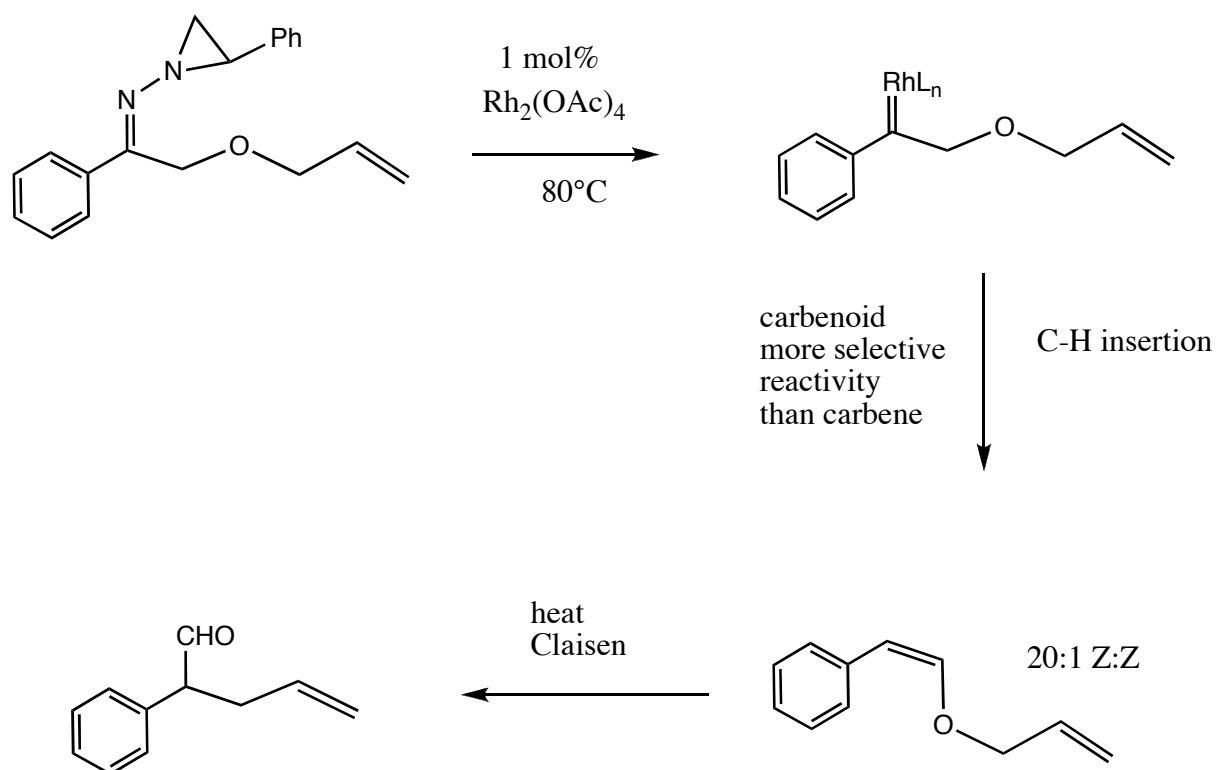
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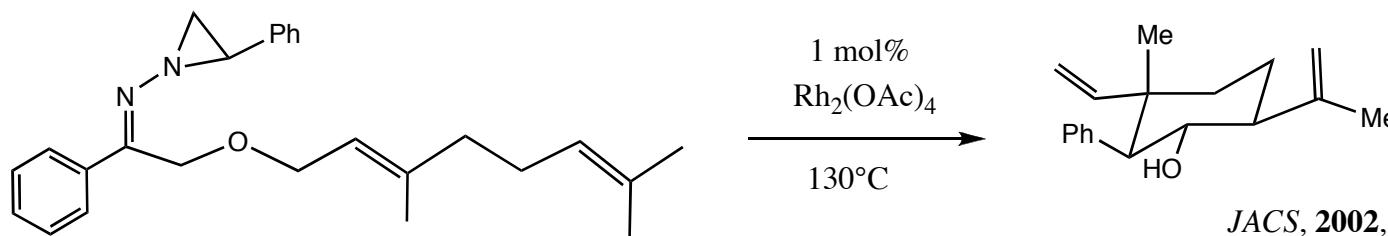
**Tandem C-H activation / Cope strategy:**



**Alternate Carbene/carbenoid processes: Tandem Bamford-Stevens/Claissen sequence**



A cascade reaction; explain



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**Tandem carbenoid formation/ carbonyl ylide formation / 3+2 cycloaddition**

