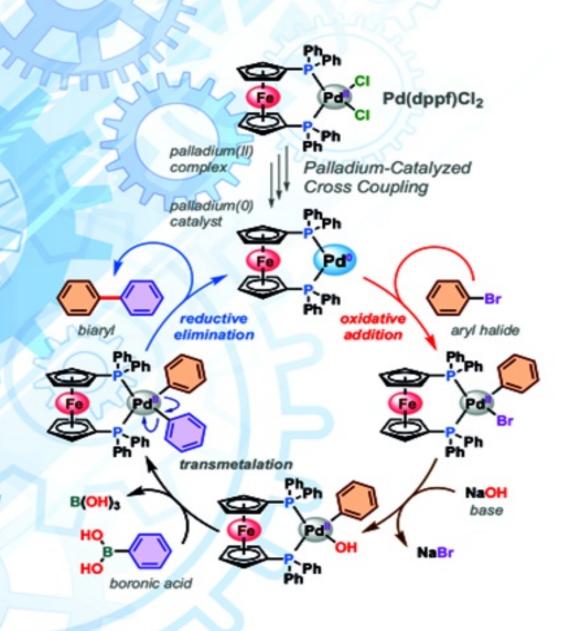
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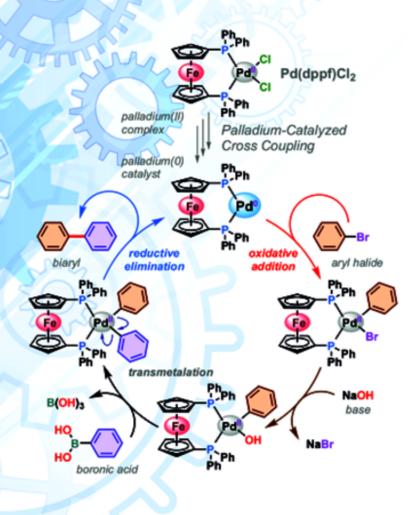


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Nothing in life is to be feared, it is only to be understood. Now is the time to understand more, so that we may fear less.

— Marie Curie

Second Edition

This edition of *Organic Chemistry: 100 Must-Know Mechanisms* is an enriched and improved version of the first book with over 40 new illustrations. It builds upon the existing 100 fundamental mechanisms mentioned in the previous book and adds other mechanisms related to the original 100 with engaging, supplementary examples. The book is also fine-tuned with features that can help broaden its usefulness to earlier-stage students of chemistry and related sciences.

Formal *Lewis* (dot) structures are added to all the previously mentioned intermediates in each mechanism, keeping track of the movement of electrons and making the schemes more comprehensive. This improvement is a valuable enhancement for those still learning organic chemistry and expands usefulness to undergraduate students and college students in STEM fields whose area of major concentration is not chemistry. The original 100 mechanistic schemes are also visually improved: the chemical structures are more vivid and consistent throughout the book. Additionally, newly formed bonds are highlighted in red color and accentuated using bold lines for each final product or key intermediate.

In the first version, many related mechanisms were only mentioned by name. The second edition expands upon those examples and has numerous new mechanistic schemes. For example, the reader will find a new illustration of the *Bouveault-Blanc* reduction mechanism of esters and ketones, a separate *Wolff* rearrangement, which was previously mentioned only as a part of the *Arndt-Eistert* synthesis mechanism. Other new illustrations include the *Dakin* reaction mechanism, the *Myers-Saito* cyclization mechanism, the *Pomeranz-Fritsch* reaction

mechanism, an example of the **Benzidine** rearrangement mechanism, the **Delépine** reaction mechanism, the **Peterson** olefination mechanism, the **Kabachnik–Fields** reaction mechanism, the **Petasis** reaction mechanism, the **Stetter** reaction mechanism for aromatic and aliphatic aldehydes, the **Fischer** esterification mechanism – and its comparison to the **Mitsunobu** ester synthesis and the stereochemical outcome of both reactions involving a chiral alcohol – the **Ullmann** biaryl ether coupling mechanism catalyzed by Cu(I) complex with a neutral bidentate ligand, the **Reimer–Tiemann** reaction mechanism, and the **Clemmensen** reduction mechanism. The nontraceless and traceless **Staudinger** ligation mechanisms are also highlighted, making them especially relevant after the announcement of the 2022 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of click chemistry and bioorthogonal chemistry [30g, 30h].

Moreover, many of the original mechanistic schemes depicted in the first edition of this book were general, covering a vast scope of chemical structures and often using a general Rgroup representation, instead of a particular example of an actual organic compound. This edition is enhanced with a variety of real-case examples, such as the bromination and nitration of an aromatic ring (an example of the aromatic electrophilic substitution), the **Beckmann** rearrangement mechanism of cyclohexanone oxime, the *Chichibabin* amination mechanism of quinoline, a sequence of the **Cope** rearrangements involving (3R,4R)-3,4-dimethylhexa-1,5-diene, (2E,4R,5R,6E)-4,5dimethylocta-2,6-diene, (2Z,4R,5R,6E)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene, and (2*Z*,4*R*,5*S*,6*E*)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene, several variations of the *Diels-Alder* cycloaddition reactions using various dienes and dienophiles, the Favorskii rearrangement mechanism of 2chlorocyclohexan-1-one, the *Grob* fragmentation mechanism of (1R,3S)-3-chloro-1-methylcyclohexan-1-ol, the **Bischler-**Napieralski cyclization mechanism of N-phenethylacetamide, the

Polonovski reaction mechanism (*N*-demethylation) of a morphinan derivative, and the **Suzuki** cross-coupling mechanism catalyzed by either **Pd(dppf)Cl₂** or

tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium(0): **Pd(PPh₃)**₄. Also noteworthy, an educational example of the *ozonolysis* reaction mechanism of (–)-α-fenchene and anomalous (interrupted) *ozonolysis* reaction mechanisms are presented as well, in addition to the synthesis of cubane-1,4-dicarboxylic acid (with the key *Favorskii* rearrangement transformation step), the rearrangement mechanism of bicyclo[2.2.2]octane system (an example of the *Hell–Volhard–Zelinsky* reaction), and two plausible mechanisms of *adamantane* rearrangement undergoing a sequence of numerous *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangement steps.

This edition continues in the tradition of the first: presenting information efficiently by using clear, balanced, and intuitive visuals and infographic diagrams. Like a stone sculpture, this version is a refined and more finely chiseled version of the first. The goal is to build upon what worked well, update the content where needed, and to add key pieces of information or notation, with the ultimate objective of making the book more useful to more students of chemistry and the sciences. Of course, we cannot promise perfection, because it, like an asymptote, is unreachable, but we hope that you will find this version to be a valuable addition or update to your scientific library.

Preface and Overview

Pedagogical Principles. At first, every body of knowledge that is new to us seems to have boundless complexity and creates the initial impression of incomprehensibility and even fear. Organic chemistry provides an excellent example of this phenomenon.

The discipline is replete with complex and initially abstract concepts, as a result, the information may seem overwhelming, particularly for the young chemist. But as with most new subjects, consistent study and practice reveals patterns, commonalities, rules, and an apparent logic. Eventually, an "architecture" becomes more apparent as we grow to become more experienced chemists. To develop this intuition, it requires close study, repetition, and breadth of exposure. A significant element of that learning is intrinsic and simply requires time and immersion. However, to help with the development of this intuition, an organic chemist would also be wise to focus on mechanisms for organic reactions as a foundation or anchoring point. This, in combination with deep study, can help organize knowledge into skill and expertise. An understanding of reaction mechanisms provides a solid foundation for the field and a scaffold for further study and life-long learning. Mechanisms are highly useful because they can logically explain how a chemical bond in a molecule was formed or broken and help to rationalize the formation of the final synthetic target or an undesired sideproduct. Moreover, as we parse an increasing number of mechanisms, we begin to see the similarities and an invisible conceptual "thread" then forms in our mind's eye that was not previously apparent. It helps to organize thinking and brings sense to the otherwise foreign concepts such as reactive intermediates, transition states, charges, radicals, and mechanistic arrows.

The Approach. To help galvanize – and perhaps catalyze – the organic chemist's inductive ability and to provide a "go-to" reference for closer study, this book strives to present an abridged summary of some of the most important mechanisms. In today's terms, these are 100 MUST-KNOW mechanisms. The author draws upon scientific knowledge developed through undergraduate and graduate years, including postdoctoral

research and study focused on organic synthesis. With a keen awareness of the incremental learning process, the book curates and presents mechanisms by category, starting with the fundamental and basic mechanisms (e.g., nucleophilic substitution or elimination), mechanisms associated with the most well-known named reactions (e.g., the Diels-Alder reaction or the Mitsunobu reaction). Additionally, the collection is complemented with historically important mechanisms (e.g., the diazotization or the haloform reaction). Finally, it includes some mechanisms dear to the author's heart, which he deems elegant or simply "cool" (e.g., the Paternò-Büchi cycloaddition or the alkyne zipper reaction).

Organization. The mechanisms are organized alphabetically by chapter for ease of reference, and numbered from 1 to 100. The dedicated student will consistently proceed through every single mechanism, giving each one time to study, practice with, memorize, and ponder. At the same time, the book can be used as a quick visual reference or as a starting point for further research and reading. The 100 mechanisms are selected for being classic and famous, core or fundamental, and useful in practice. Of course, a good degree of personal intuition is involved in the selection and it is definitely not a dogmatic ordering or a comprehensive anthology. The book is intended to be a visual guide as distinguished from a traditional textbook. The presentation of each mechanism constitutes a complete InfoGraphic (or "MechanoGraphic") and provides distilled information focusing on key concepts, rules, acronyms, and terminology. It heavily focuses on the basic core - the starting amount of information, the extract – that a good organic chemist can commit to memory and understanding. Starting initially as a daily micro-blog post with a "hash tag" (#100MustKnowMechanisms) that gained a lot of support from

students and chemists around the world, the book is really

intended to bring together an array of mechanisms, organize them, provide additional historical context, and enable a conceptual space where the reader can focus on learning them as well as serve as a desk-reference or a "flip-book."

The book is color-coded: each key reaction is enclosed in a dark blue frame; each key mechanism (the centerpiece of the book) is presented in a red frame; other reactions and mechanisms related to the core 100 mechanisms covered in this book are usually summarized in gray or black frames. The book also collects a few useful rules, facts, and concepts that are presented in green frames. The reader may find several star diagrams, representing synthetic diversity, for example, throughout the book as well. Relevant comments and clarifications can be found in footnotes.

Sources. The underlying information stays very close to information usually covered in classic or key organic chemistry textbooks [\rightarrow 1]. More specialized literature may be necessary in some cases (for organometallic or photochemical transformations, for example) $[\rightarrow 2]$. The reader is also encouraged to familiarize themselves with some other supporting bibliography $[\rightarrow 3]$. Where appropriate, it also references texts that the author trusts and cites for further indepth study if the reader so chooses. Since this book strives to be an abridged visual illustration, students are encouraged to use other, more comprehensive books on the subject, especially those related to the *named reactions* in organic chemistry $[\rightarrow 4]$. Additionally, open online sources, when thoughtfully selected, can also be very useful [\rightarrow 5]. Such sources may be mentioned here when the information was deemed accurate, thorough, and supported by the references. This is further supplemented by the author's aggregate knowledge and education gained through college, graduate school, and postdoctoral academic research. The author also found the encyclopedia of organic

reagents [-6] to be an extremely useful "go-to" starting point in his personal experience and professional career, especially when embracing a new chemistry topic or using a new reagent. Moreover, each *MechanoGraphic* is supported by a reference to the likely first original publication where the related reaction or mechanism was first mentioned (see the time-scale after each mechanism). Finally, several key and fundamental reviews, publications on recently elucidated mechanisms, and other research articles are referenced, as needed. The author uses his best judgment in each case. However, even though the provided information was carefully checked and presented in agreement with standard and accepted chemistry rules, this does not guarantee that it is free of all errors. A further caveat, the variety of text and scholarly references does not imply a comprehensive and chronological review of the literature and history – it is not a global historic review of mechanisms from 1800 to 2023. Mechanisms and our understanding of them can also change as this book is being prepared and the corresponding literature revised. Thus, the reader should supplement the use of the book with primary source reading and deeper study through a comprehensive textbook prepared by a cohort of experienced professors and experts. Here, the most common and known pathways, those that do not violate basic standard chemistry rules and that are frequently referenced in the classic and contemporary literature, are summarized visually.

A Few Things to Keep in Mind. It is also important that the reader remain flexible and mindful that mechanisms are represented based on our current understanding, taking into consideration basic chemistry rules, valency, electron pushing rules, charge preservation, Lewis dot structures, and so on. They may not be the most "cutting-edge" or up-to-date (e.g., cross-coupling reactions that may not be well-understood). They may also be substrate-dependent and each reaction may undergo a

slightly different pathway. Thus, the reader should not treat the book as a dogmatic guide, and should keep an open mind for new data, creativity, and view the book as a part of a continuous debate in the subject.

Background Knowledge. To fully benefit from the book, the reader should have basic knowledge of organic chemistry. Figures are presented with an assumption that the reader understands common terms and symbols. Thus, basic concepts are not introduced or explained. Undergraduate students, graduate students, scientists, teachers, and professors in the discipline should be able to utilize the book. The book can also serve as a good condensed "refresher" for the experienced organic chemist who wants to "zero-in" on the most basic and fundamental core mechanisms as judged by the author.

The Inspiration and Further Reading. The author heavily draws upon his personal experience as a student of chemistry and later an academic researcher. Never having taken a formal course on mechanisms in organic chemistry, he approached the material initially through memorization as opposed to derivation. The first impression was fear and a sense of being overwhelmed. However, after many years of experience, more obvious patterns, trends, rules, and dependencies appear to have crystallized, providing an inductive ability to navigate and identify the mechanisms behind reactions. This personal experience has definitely shaped the teaching philosophy of the book and is further enhanced by the efficient way in which information can be conveyed through visuals and space. Moreover, as most individuals have a predisposition for visual learning, this book is more intuitively aligned with the way that we seem to learn the fastest. It strives to be a focused collection of the most useful, basic, and fundamental mechanisms. Started initially as a microblog post, the discussion, engagement, and interest it sparked indicated a clear need for a more carefully

prepared, organized, and curated presentation in a format that could be placed in a physical library and easily internalized. The author hopes the book serves as a good starting point for the developing chemist who may need the most guidance and encouragement. No doubt it may stimulate constructive discussion, but nevertheless this will ultimately encourage and challenge everyone to learn, to search for a different answer, to think critically, and grow as a chemist and stay sharp as a scientist. Finally, knowledge is a fractal-like concept, the closer we look the more detail we see and learn. Here, we strive to reach a reasonable asymptote of precision and comprehensiveness given the purpose of the book. Further core reading [-1], reference of primary and secondary sources [2-4], online sources $[\rightarrow 5, \rightarrow 6]$, as well as actual experimentation and practice will help paint the complete picture and prepare the organic chemist to be a well-rounded and informed scientist.

List of Acronyms and Abbreviations

Identical to (a depiction of a chemical structure)

Primary (e.g., carbocation) or first generation

(e.g., catalyst)

2° Secondary (e.g., carbocation) or second

generation (e.g., catalyst)

3° Tertiary (e.g., carbocation) or third generation

(e.g., catalyst)

Ac Acetyl

acac Acetylacetonate

Ad_E2 Bimolecular electrophilic addition

Ad_E3 Trimolecular electrophilic addition

ADMET Acyclic diene metathesis (polymerization)

AIBN Azobisisobutyronitrile; 2,2'-azobis(2-

methylpropionitrile)

Alk = R Alkyl group

anti From opposite sides (in anti-addition or anti-

elimination)

APA 3-Aminopropylamine; 1,3-diaminopropane

Ar Aqueous (work-up) **Ar** Aryl; aromatic ring

B (B⁻) General Brønsted–Lowry base (proton acceptor)

B₂**pin**₂ *Bis*(pinacolato)diboron; 4,4,4',4',5,5,5',5'-

octamethyl-2,2'-bi-1,3,2-dioxaborolane

9-BBN 9-Borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonane

BH (BH⁺) General Brønsted–Lowry acid (proton donor)

Bn Benzyl

Boc *Tert*-butoxycarbonyl; *t*-butoxycarbonyl

Bs Brosyl; 4-bromobenzenesulfonyl

Bu Butyl (if not specified = n-Bu)

CHD 1,4-Cyclohexadiene

CM = XMET (Olefin) cross-metathesis

con Conrotatory

3-CR (MCR) 3-Component reaction (multi-component

reaction)

4-CR (MCR) 4-Component reaction (multi-component

reaction)

CuAAC Copper(I)-catalyzed azide-alkyne cycloaddition

CuTC Copper(I) thiophene-2-carboxylate

Cy Cyclohexyl

Cy₂BH Dicyclohexylborane

DABCO 1,4-Diazabicyclo[2.2.2]octane

DBU 1,8-Diazabicyclo[5.4.0]undec-7-ene **DCC** *N,N'*-Dicyclohexylcarbodiimide; 1,3-

dicyclohexylcarbodiimide

DCM Dichloromethane; methylene chloride

DEAD Diethyl azodicarboxylate

DIAD Diisopropyl azodicarboxylate

DIBAL = DIBAL-H Diisobutylaluminum hydride = $(i-Bu)_2$ AlH

dis Disrotatory

DMAP 4-Dimethylaminopyridine; 4-

(dimethylamino)pyridine

DMP Dess-Martin periodinane

DMSO Dimethyl sulfoxide

E- Entgegen (trans- or opposite)

e Electron

E (or E⁺) Electrophile

Unimolecular elimination

E1cB (E1cb) Unimolecular elimination conjugate base

Bimolecular elimination

EDC = EDCI 1-Ethyl-3-(3'-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide

hydrochloride; N-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-N'-

ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride

EDCI = EDC 1-Ethyl-3-(3'-dimethylaminopropyl)carbodiimide

hydrochloride; N-(3-dimethylaminopropyl)-N'-

ethylcarbodiimide hydrochloride

EDG (= ERG) Electron donating group (same as ERG) **E**_i Internal or intramolecular elimination

eq Equivalent (e.g., 2 eq = 2 equivalents; 2 moles)

ERG (= EDG) Electron releasing group (same as EDG)

Et₂BH Diethylborane

EWG Electron withdrawing group

EYM Enyne metathesis

Grubbs 1° The first generation Grubbs catalyst
Grubbs 2° The second generation Grubbs catalyst
Borane-tetrahydrofuran complex; borane

tetrahydrofuran complex

 $H_3B \cdot Me_2S = BMS$ Borane-dimethyl sulfide complex; borane

dimethyl sulfide complex

HATU N-[(Dimethylamino)-1H-1,2,3-triazolo[4,5-

b]pyridin-1-ylmethylene]-N-

methylmethanaminium hexafluorophosphate N-

oxide; 1-[bis(dimethylamino)methylene]-1*H*-

1,2,3-triazolo[4,5-b]pyridinium 3-oxide

hexafluorophosphate

HBTU O-Benzotriazol-1-yl-N,N,N',N'-

tetramethyluronium hexafluorophosphate; 3-

[bis(dimethylamino)methyliumyl]-3*H*-

benzotriazol-1-oxide hexafluorophosphate

HET = $^{\text{HET}}$ Ar Heterocycle; heteroaromatic ring; heteroaryl **HOAt** = **HOAT** 1-Hydroxy-7-azabenzotriazole; 3-hydroxy-3*H*-

1,2,3-triazolo[4,5-b]pyridine

HOBt = HOBT 1-Hydroxybenzotriazole

HOMO Highest occupied molecular orbital

hν Light (direct irradiation) or excited state

I_i(**BR**) Intermediate (biradical)

I_i(**RP**) Intermediate (radical pair)

IBX 2-Iodoxybenzoic acid; *o*-iodoxybenzoic acid

IC Internal conversion

Ipc₂BH Di*iso*pinocampheylborane

IpcBH₂ Mono*iso*pinocampheylborane

ISC Intersystem crossing

KAPA Potassium 3-aminopropylamide

Ligand or leaving group

(I) Liquid (as in liquid ammonia: NH_3 (I))

LA Lewis acid

LAPA Lithium 3-aminopropylamide

LDA Lithium diisopropylamide = $(i-Pr)_2$ NLi Palladium(0) cross-coupling catalyst

 L_nPd Low-coordinate palladium(0) cross-coupling

catalyst

LUMO Lowest occupied molecular orbital

M Metal

[M] Metal catalyst (not specified)

 $M^{+3} = M(III)$ Oxidation state (oxidation number) of an

element (e.g., $Cu^{+2} = Cu(II)$; $Pd^{0} = Pd(0)$)

 M^{3+} Charge (e.g., Ti^{3+} in $TiCl_3$ versus $Ti^{+3} = Ti(III)$)

m-CPBA (MCPBA) Meta-chloroperbenzoic acid; m-

chloroperbenzoic acid; 3-chloroperbenzoic acid

MCR Multicomponent reaction

Mes Mesityl (from mesitylene = 1,3,5-

trimethylbenzene)

Ms Mesyl; methanesulfony = SO_2Me

NacmNacmNacmNacmNonbonding (molecular) orbitalNacmNitrile-alkyne cross-metathesis

NBS *N*-Bromosuccinimide; 1-bromo-2,5-

pyrrolidinedione

N-HBTU

1-[Bis(dimethylamino)methylene]-1*H*-

benzotriazolium hexafluorophosphate 3-oxide

NIAAC Nickel-catalyzed azide–alkyne cycloaddition **NMM** *N*-Methylmorpholine; 4-methylmorpholine

NMO *N*-Methylmorpholine *N*-oxide; 4-

methylmorpholine N-oxide

Ns Nosyl; 4-nitrobenzenesulfonyl or 2-

nitrobenzenesulfonyl

Nu (or Nu⁻) Nucleophile

NuH General Brønsted–Lowry acid (proton donor, like

BH)

[O] General oxidant (e.g., $2KHSO_5 \cdot KHSO_4 \cdot K_2SO_4$)

O-HBTU *N*-[(1*H*-Benzotriazol-1-yloxy)

(dimethylamino)methylene]-N-

methylmethanaminium hexafluorophosphate

p [sp, sp², sp³] p Orbital

P Product (in photochemical reactions)

PCC Pyridinium chlorochromate

PDC Pyridinium dichromate

Ph Phenyl

 $Ph_3P = TPP$ Triphenylphosphine

PhthNHPhthalimide (Phth = phthaloyl) pK_a Acidity constant = $-log_{10}(K_a)$ PrPropyl (if not specified = n-Pr)

Py Pyridine

Reactant; starting material (in photochemical

reactions)

 \mathbf{R} (-R₁, -R₂, -R', -R", ...) (Radical) group; alkyl group;

substituent; (molecular) fragment

R* Excited reactant (in photochemical reactions)

RCAM Ring-closing alkyne metathesis RCEYM Ring-closing enyne metathesis

RCM Ring-closing metathesis

ROM Large group (substituent)
ROM Ring-opening metathesis

ROMP Ring-opening metathesis polymerization

R_S Small group (substituent)

RUAAC Ruthenium-catalyzed azide-alkyne cycloaddition

 \mathbf{s} [sp, sp², sp³] s Orbital

S₀ Ground state

First (energy level) singlet excited state

Second (energy level) singlet excited state

Second (energy level) singlet excited state

(Bimolecular) aromatic electrophilic substitution = arenium ion mechanism

³sens Sensitized irradiation (to the triplet excited state)

SET Single electron transfer

Sia₂BH Disiamylborane; *bis*(1,2-dimethylpropyl)borane

S_N1 Unimolecular nucleophilic substitutionS_N2 Bimolecular nucleophilic substitution

 $S_NAr = S_N2Ar$ $S_{RN}1$ (Bimolecular) aromatic nucleophilic substitution
Unimolecular radical nucleophilic substitution
From the same side (in *syn*-addition or *syn*-

syn elimination)

T₁ First (energy level) triplet excited state
 T₂ Second (energy level) triplet excited state

TBAF Tetrabutylammonium (tetra-*n*-butylammonium)

fluoride = n-Bu₄NF

Tf Triflyl; trifluoromethanesulfonyl = SO_2CF_3

TFA Trifluoroacetic acid

TFAA Trifluoroacetic anhydride

THF Tetrahydrofuran

Thx₂BH₂ Thexylborane (2-methylpentan-2-yl)borane

TLC Thin-layer chromatography

TMEDA *N,N,N',N'*-Tetramethylethylenediamine; 1,2-

bis(dimethylamino)ethane

TMS Trimethylsilyl = SiMe₃

TPAP Tetrapropylammonium (tetra-*n*-

propylammonium) perruthenate = $(n-Pr)_4NRuO_4$

TPP = Ph_3P Triphenylphosphine

Ts Tosyl; *p*-toluenesulfonyl

X (in -X)X (in -X)Halogen or a general leaving group (see L)X (in =X)Variable atom; variable group (usually O or N)

XMET = CM (Olefin) cross-metathesis
 Z- Zusammen (cis- or same)
 Z (in -Z) Variable group (often EWG)
 α Alpha position (first position)
 β Beta position (second position)
 γ Gamma position (third position)

Δ Temperature; heat or ground state (in

photochemical reactions)

δ+ Partial positive charge (low electron density)δ- Partial negative charge (high electron density)

π Involving a π -bond (e.g., π -complex)

1 π e⁻, 2π e⁻, ... Number of electrons in a π -orbital

Involving a σ -bond (e.g., σ -complex)

σ* (Antibonding) sigma star (molecular) orbital
 Φ_{ISC} Quantum yield (for intersystem crossing)

1 Electrophilic Addition Mechanism

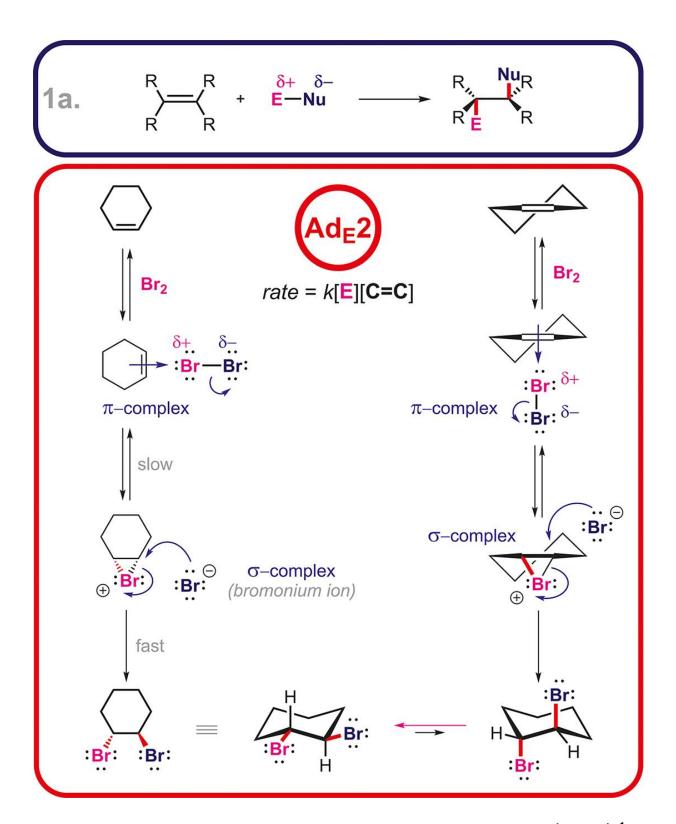


Fig. 1.1: Bimolecular electrophilic addition mechanism (Ad_E2).¹

1b.
$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R \\ R \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R$$

Fig. 1.2: Trimolecular electrophilic addition mechanism (Ad_E3).²

2 Nucleophilic Substitution Mechanism

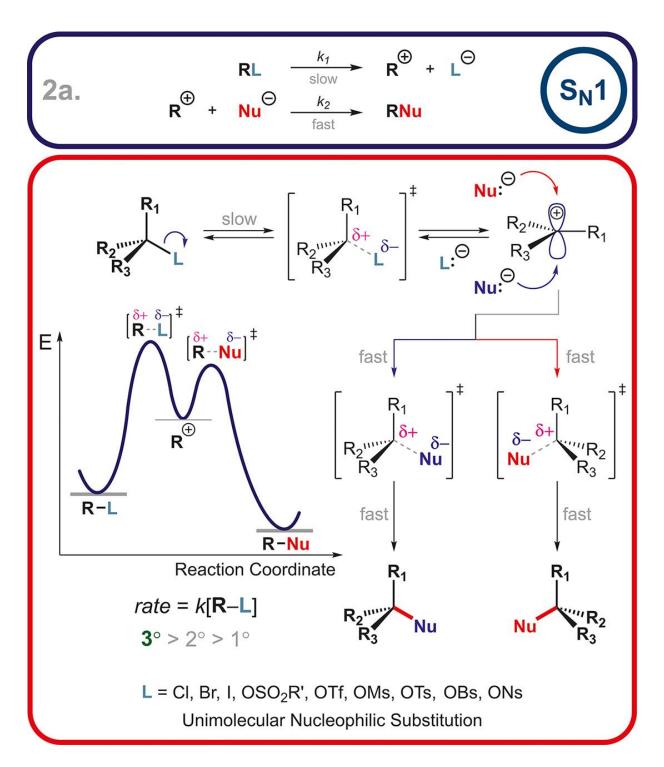


Fig. 2.1: Unimolecular nucleophilic substitution mechanism $(S_N 1)$.³.

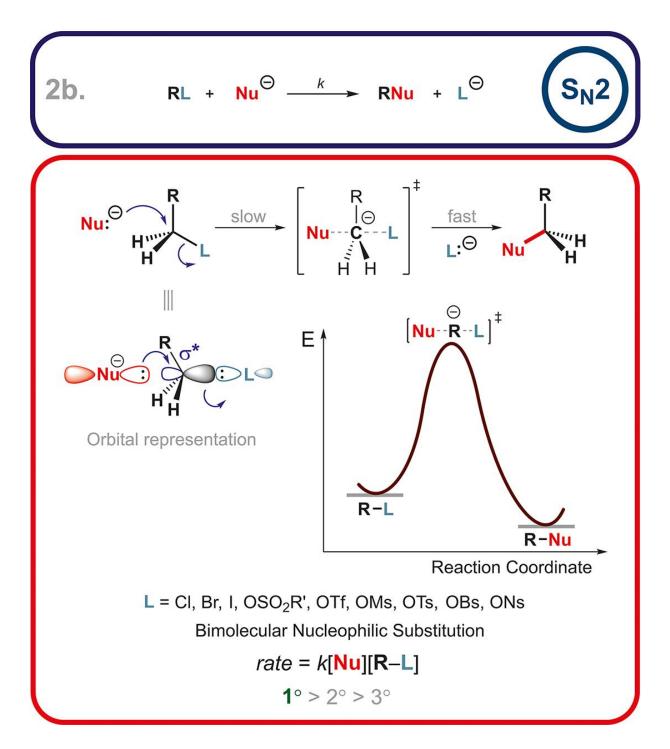


Fig. 2.2: Bimolecular nucleophilic substitution mechanism $(S_N 2)$.⁴.

3 Aromatic Electrophilic **Substitution Mechanism**

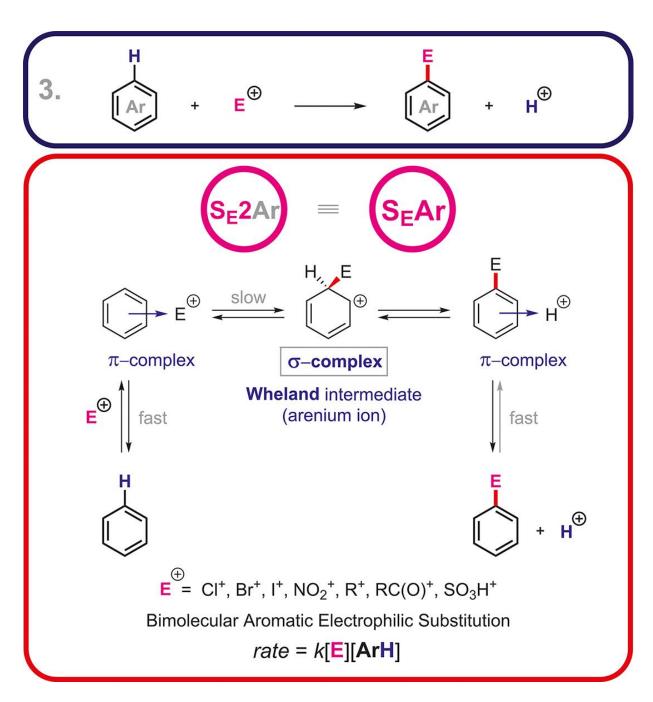


Fig. 3.1: The arenium ion mechanism (S_EAr) .⁵

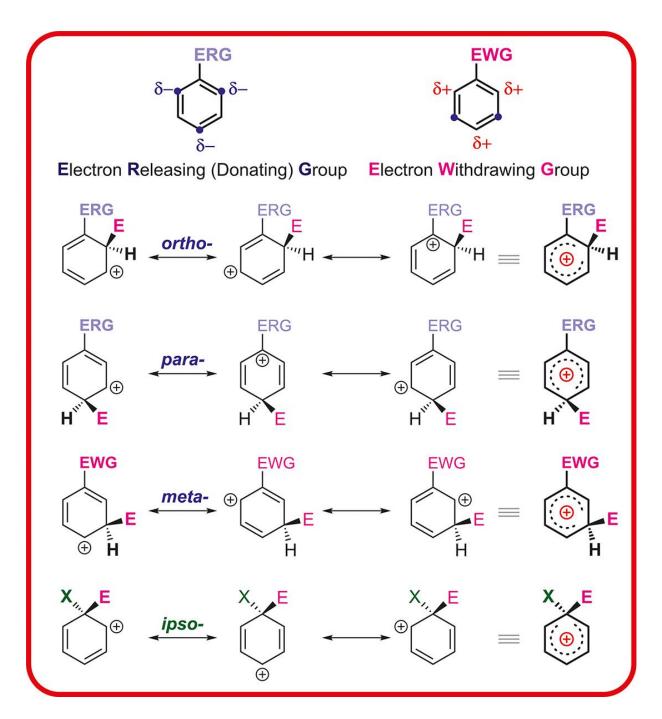


Fig. 3.2: The orientation of substitution with substrates containing EWG and ERG.⁶

Fig. 3.3: Bromination of anisole.⁷

Fig. 3.4: Nitration of (trifluoromethyl)benzene.⁸

4 Aromatic Nucleophilic Substitution Mechanism

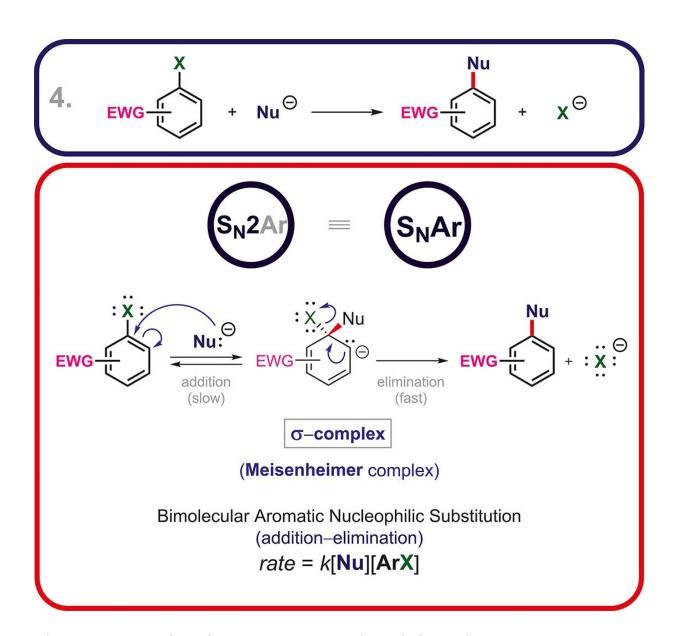


Fig. 4.1: Bimolecular aromatic nucleophilic substitution (addition–elimination) mechanism (**S**_N**Ar**).⁹

Fig. 4.2: Typical activated S_NAr substrates. 10

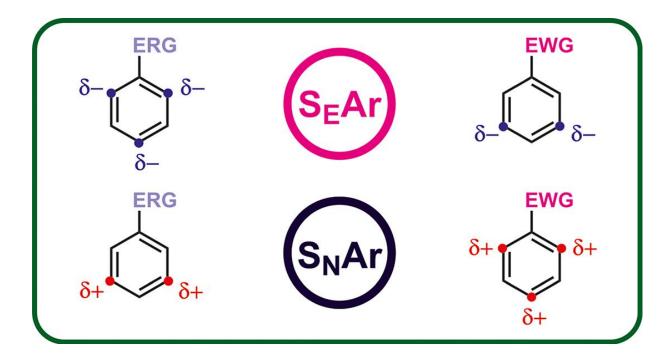


Fig. 4.3: The orientation of substitution in S_EAr and S_NAr .¹¹

5 Aromatic Radical Nucleophilic Substitution Mechanism

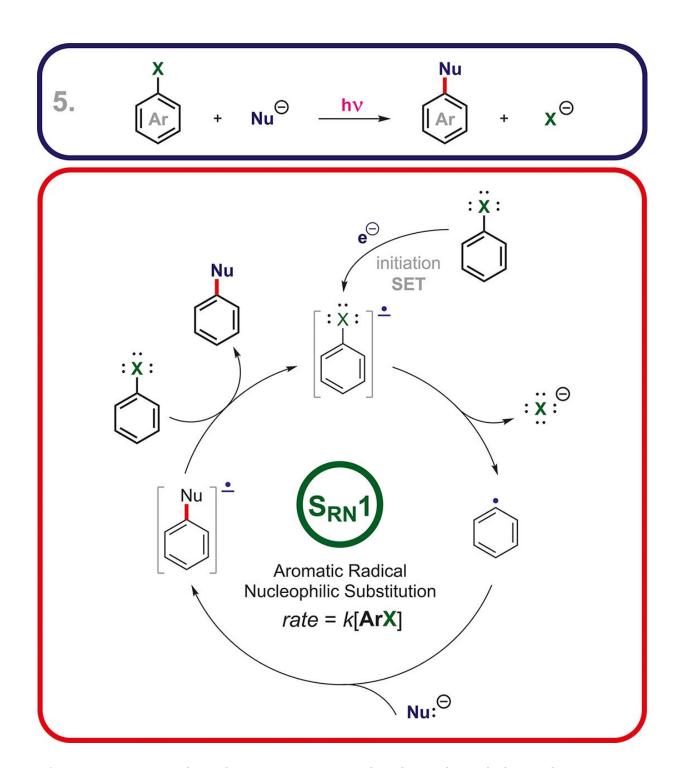


Fig. 5.1: Unimolecular aromatic radical nucleophilic substitution mechanism $(\mathbf{S_{RN}1})$. 12

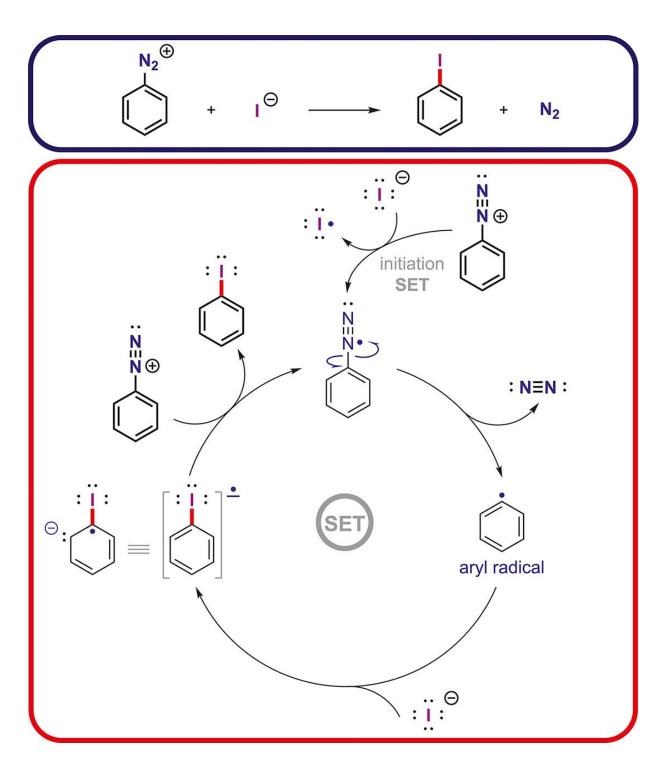


Fig. 5.2: Replacement of the diazonium group by iodide. 13

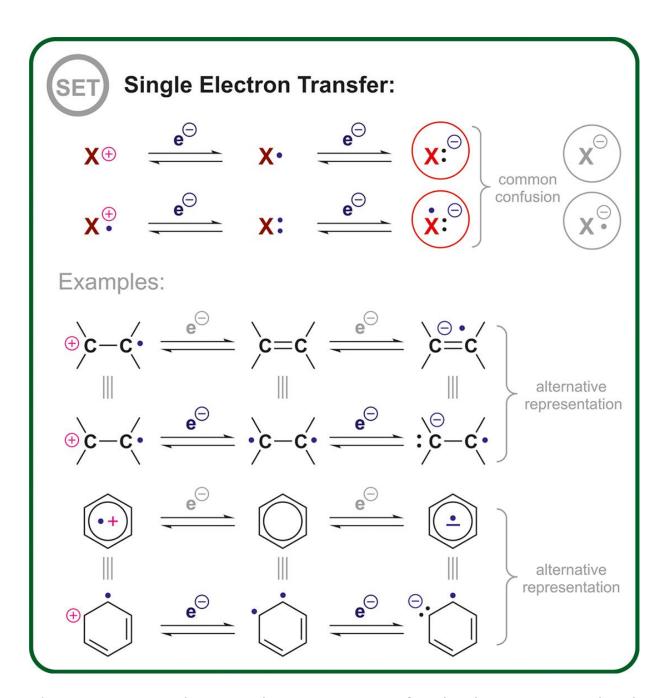


Fig. 5.3: Lewis electron dot structures of radical species involved in SET.¹⁴

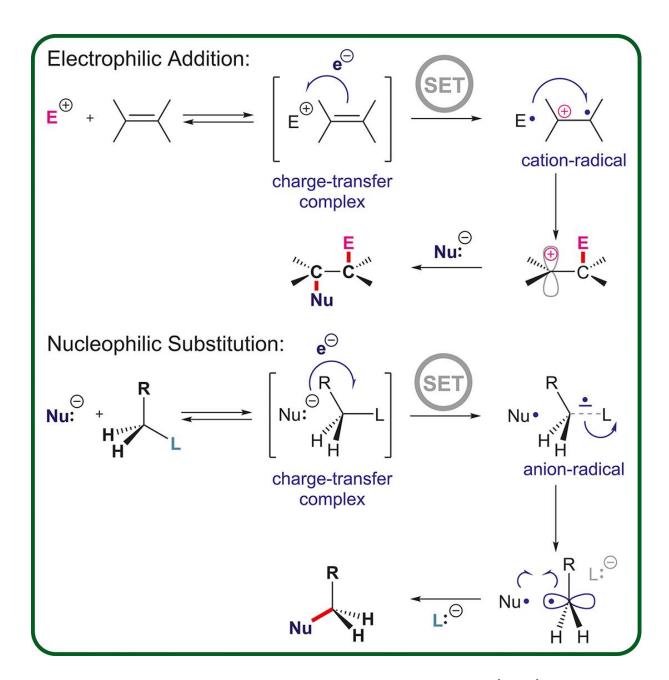


Fig. 5.4: The single electron transfer mechanism (**SET**) examples.¹⁵

6 Elimination Mechanism

6a. E1cB

$$R_1$$
 R_1
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4
 R_4

Fig. 6.1: Unimolecular β-elimination mechanism (**E1cB**). 16 .

Fig. 6.2: Bimolecular β-elimination mechanism (**E2**). 17 .

6c. E1
$$R_1$$
 R_2 R_2 R_3 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_5 R_6 R_7 R_8 R_8 R_8 R_9 R_9

Fig. 6.3: Unimolecular β -elimination mechanism (**E1**). ¹⁸.

6d.
$$E_i$$
 R_1
 R_2
 R_1

Fig. 6.4: Internal or intramolecular β-elimination mechanism $(\mathbf{E_i})$.¹⁹.

Fig. 6.5: E1cB, **E2**, and **E1** mechanisms.²⁰.

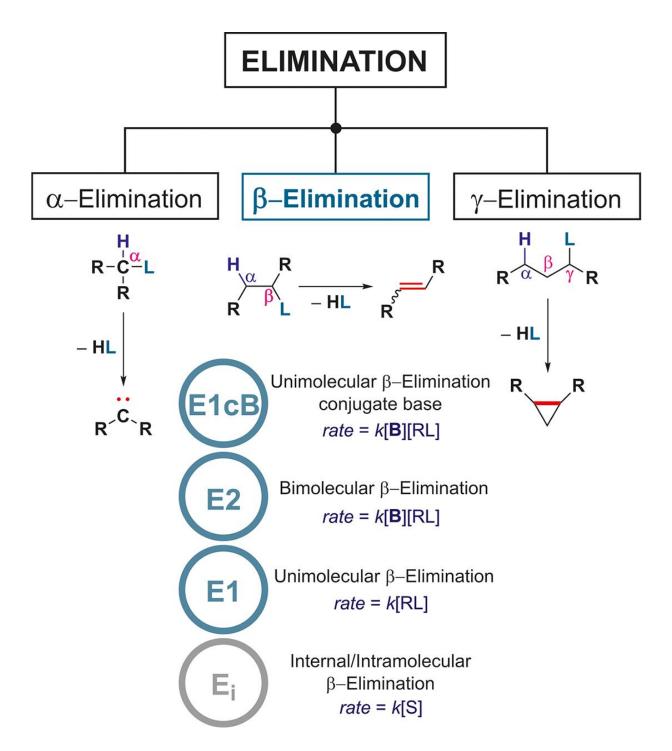


Fig. 6.6: The classification of characteristic elimination reactions.²¹.

7 Acyloin Condensation

Fig. 7.1: The *acyloin condensation* mechanism.²²

Fig. 7.2: The *Bouveault–Blanc* reduction mechanism (ester reduction).²³

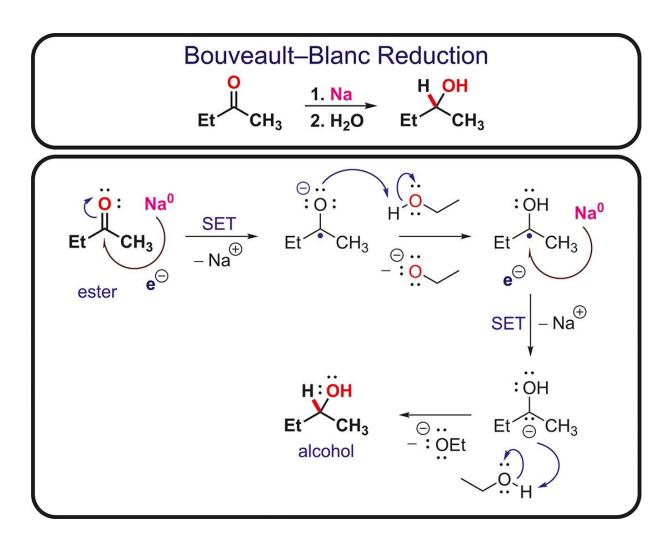


Fig. 7.3: The *Bouveault–Blanc* reduction mechanism (ketone reduction).²⁴

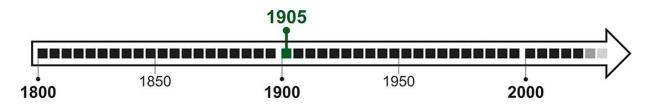


Fig. 7.4: The discovery of the *acyloin condensation*.²⁵

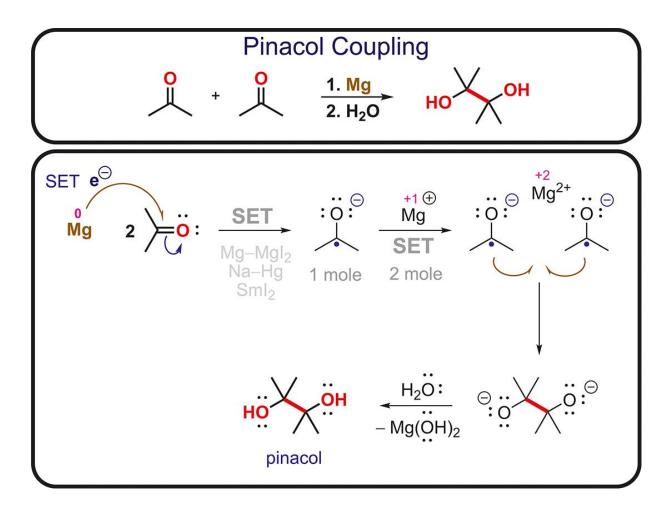


Fig. 7.5: The *pinacol coupling* mechanism.²⁶

8 Alkyne Zipper Reaction

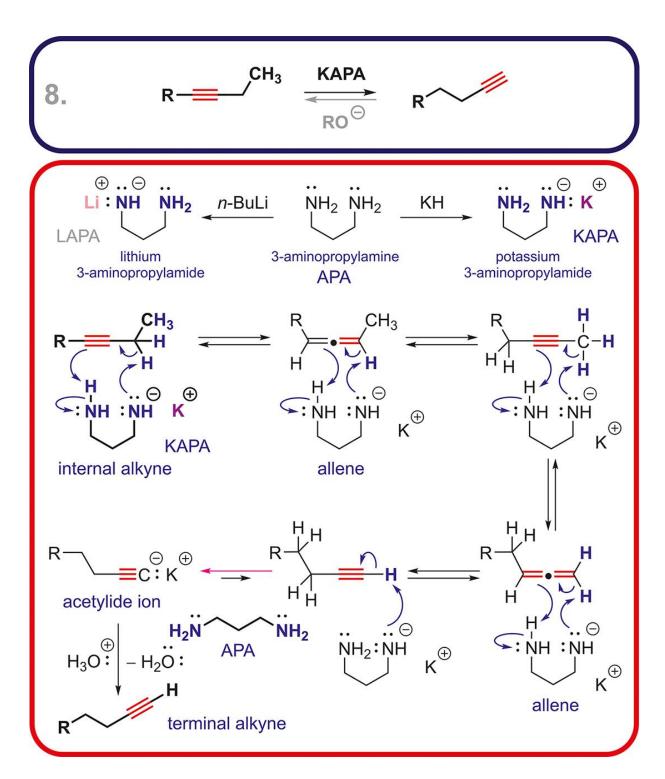


Fig. 8.1: The *alkyne zipper reaction* mechanism.²⁷

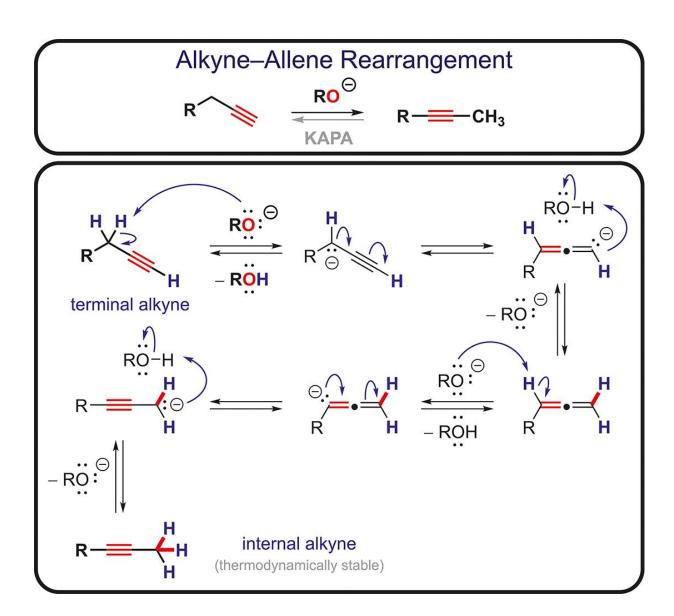


Fig. 8.2: The alkyne-allene rearrangement mechanism.²⁸

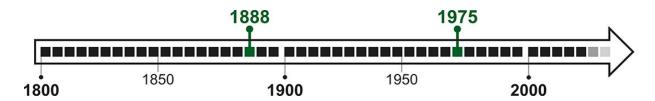


Fig. 8.3: The discovery of the *alkyne zipper reaction*.²⁹

9 Arbuzov Reaction

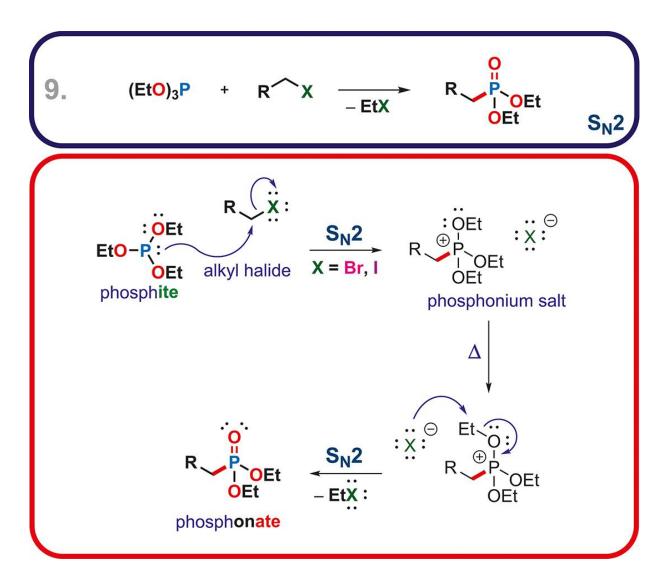


Fig. 9.1: The *Arbuzov* reaction mechanism.³⁰

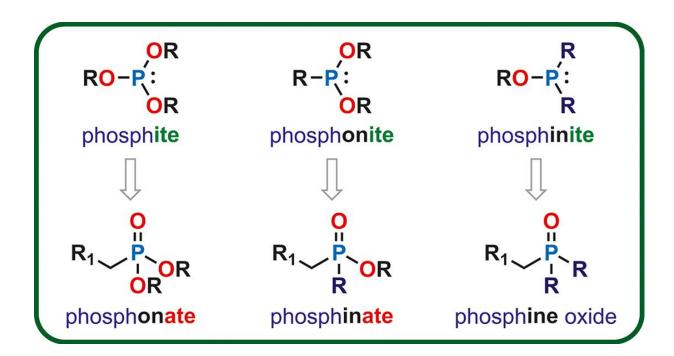


Fig. 9.2: The nomenclature of selected organophosphorus(III) and (V) compounds.³¹

Fig. 9.3: The *HWE* olefination.³²

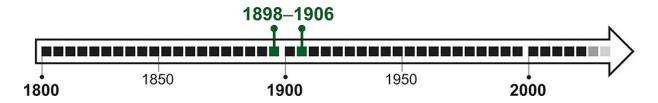


Fig. 9.4: The discovery of the *Arbuzov* reaction.³³

10 Arndt-Eistert Synthesis

Fig. 10.1: The *Arndt–Eistert* synthesis mechanism.³⁴

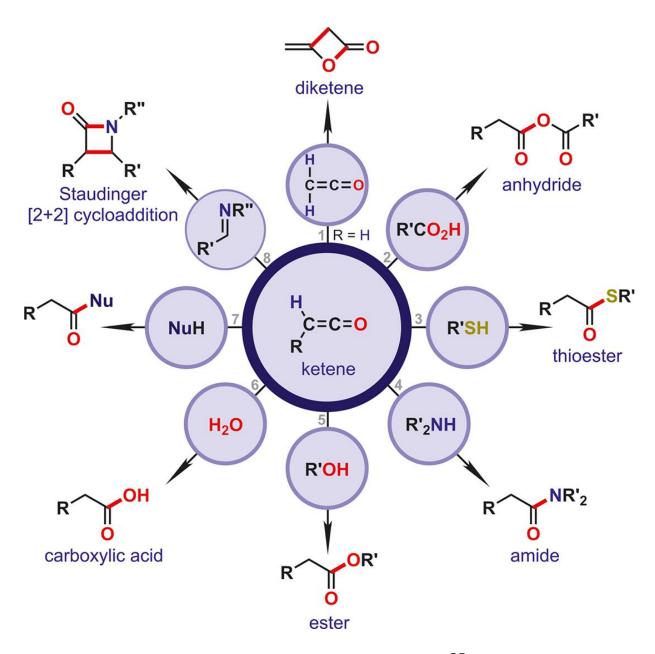


Fig. 10.2: The synthetic versatility of ketenes.³⁵

Fig. 10.3: The Arndt-Eistert reaction mechanism.³⁶

Fig. 10.4: The *Wolff rearrangement* mechanism.³⁷

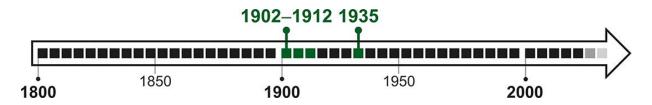


Fig. 10.5: The discovery of the *Arndt–Eistert* synthesis.³⁸

11 Baeyer-Villiger Oxidation

Fig. 11.1: The Baeyer-Villiger oxidation mechanism.³⁹

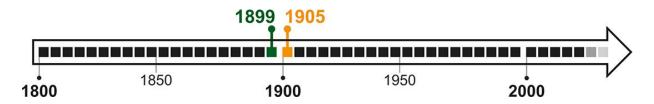


Fig. 11.2: The discovery of the *Baeyer-Villiger* oxidation.⁴⁰

H >>
3
alkyl > Cy > 2 alkyl > Bn \approx Ph > 1 alkyl > cyclopropyl > 2 CH₃

Fig. 11.3: The order of group migration in the *Baeyer–Villiger* oxidation.⁴¹

Fig. 11.4: The *Dakin* reaction mechanism.⁴²

12 Barton Decarboxylation

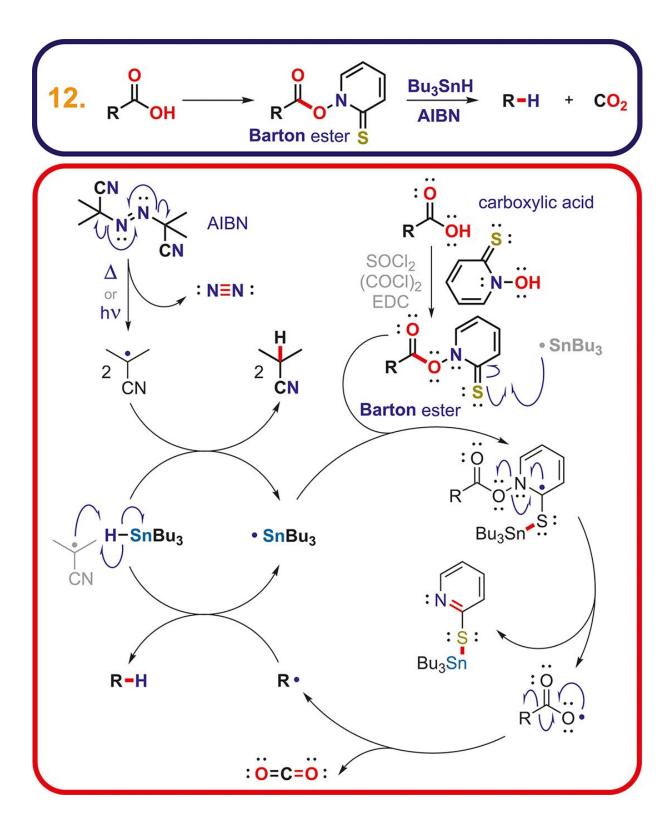


Fig. 12.1: The *Barton decarboxylation* mechanism.⁴³.

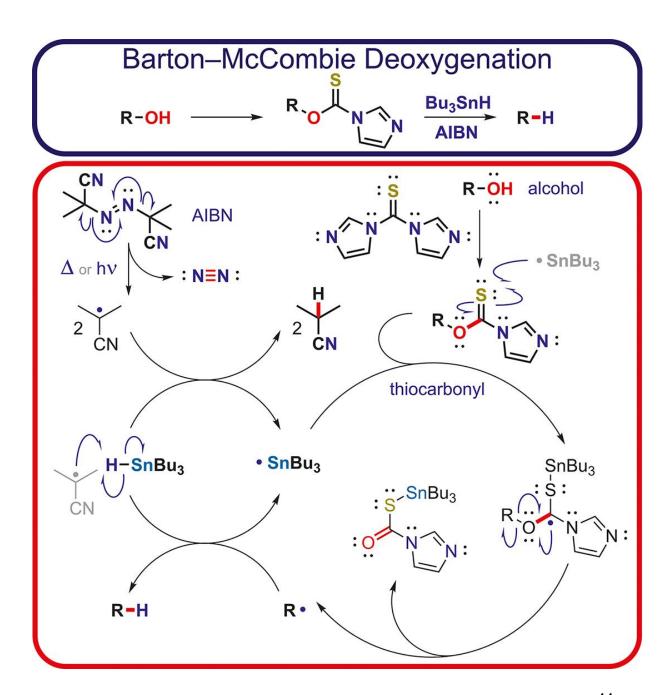


Fig. 12.2: The *Barton–McCombie deoxygenation* mechanism.⁴⁴.

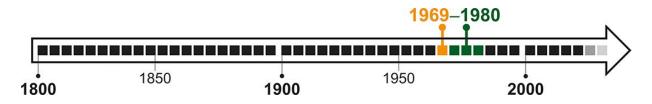


Fig. 12.3: The discovery of the *Barton decarboxylation*.⁴⁵.

13 Baylis-Hillman Reaction

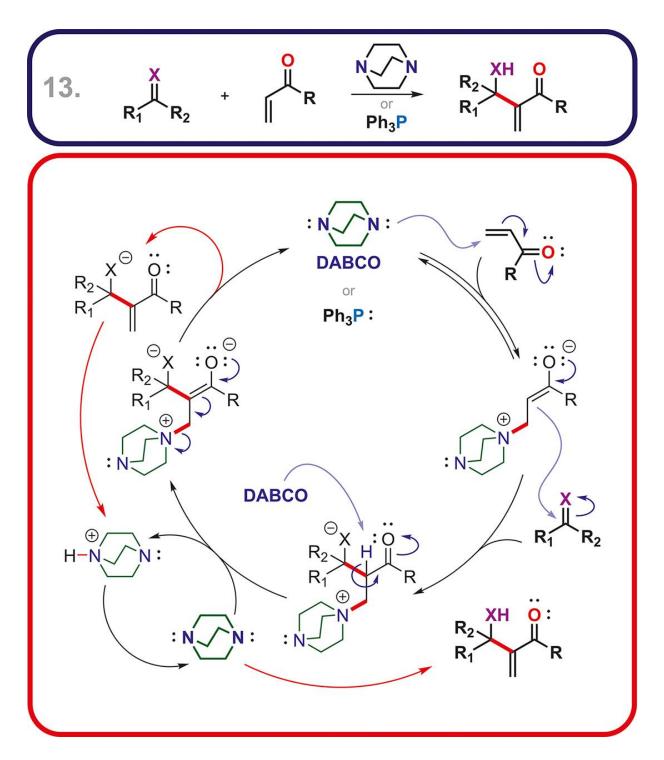


Fig. 13.1: The *Baylis–Hillman* reaction mechanism.⁴⁶.

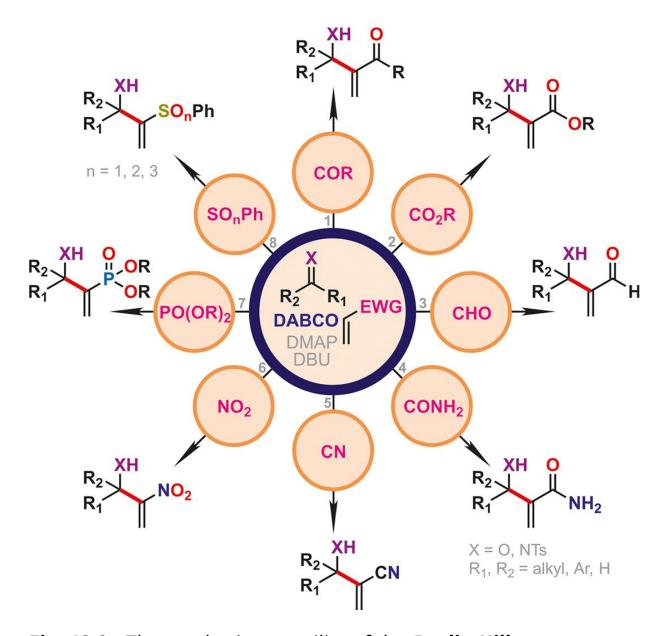


Fig. 13.2: The synthetic versatility of the *Baylis–Hillman* reaction.⁴⁷.

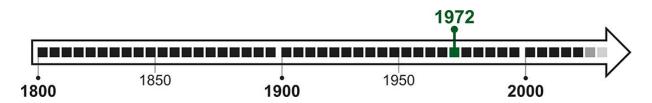


Fig. 13.3: The discovery of the *Baylis–Hillman* reaction.⁴⁸.

14 Beckmann Rearrangement

14.
$$R_1$$
 R_2 R_1 R_2 R_3 R_4 R_4 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_5 R_6 R_7 R_8 R_8 R_9 R_1 R_9 R_1 R_9 R_1 R_9 R_9

Fig. 14.1: The *Beckmann* rearrangement mechanism.⁴⁹

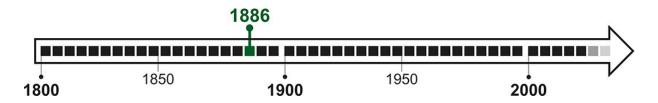


Fig. 14.2: The discovery of the **Beckmann** rearrangement. 50

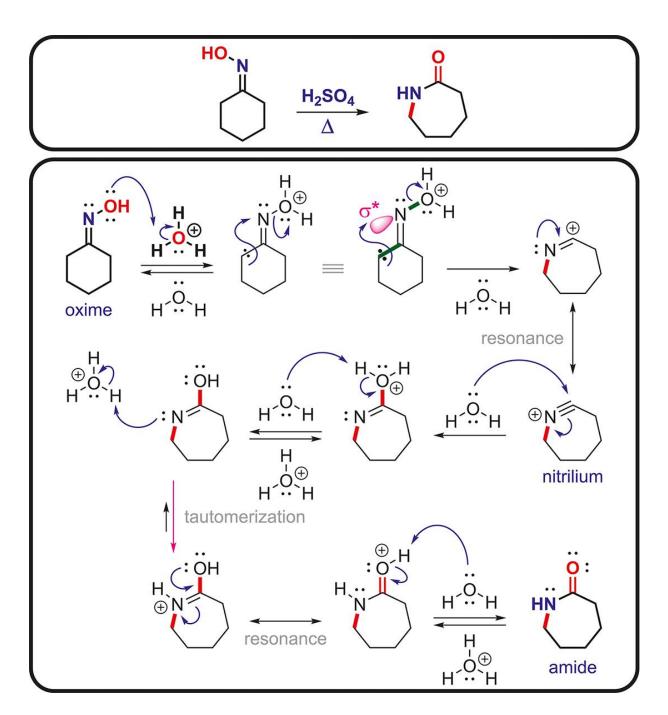


Fig. 14.3: The *Beckmann* rearrangement mechanism of cyclohexanone oxime.⁵¹

15 Benzoin Condensation

Fig. 15.1: The *benzoin condensation* mechanism.⁵²

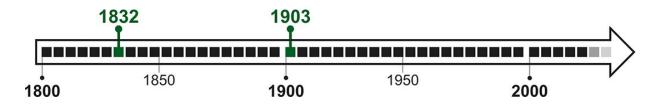


Fig. 15.2: The discovery of the *benzoin condensation*.⁵³

Fig. 15.3: The *acyloin synthesis* mechanism using thiazolium salts.⁵⁴

16 Benzyne Mechanism

16. R + Nu
$$\ominus$$
 base R + Nu \ominus Nu \bigcirc Nu \bigcirc

Fig. 16.1: The *benzyne* (*elimination–addition*) mechanism.⁵⁵

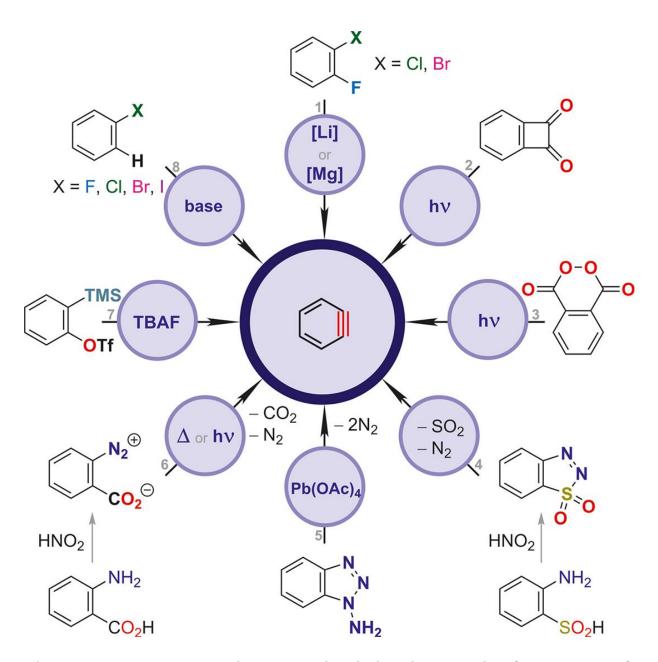


Fig. 16.2: Various synthetic methods leading to the formation of benzyne.⁵⁶

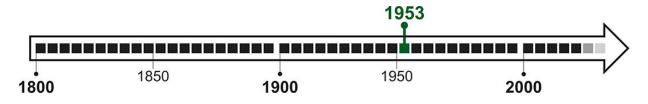


Fig. 16.3: The discovery of the *benzyne* mechanism.⁵⁷

17 Bergman Cyclization

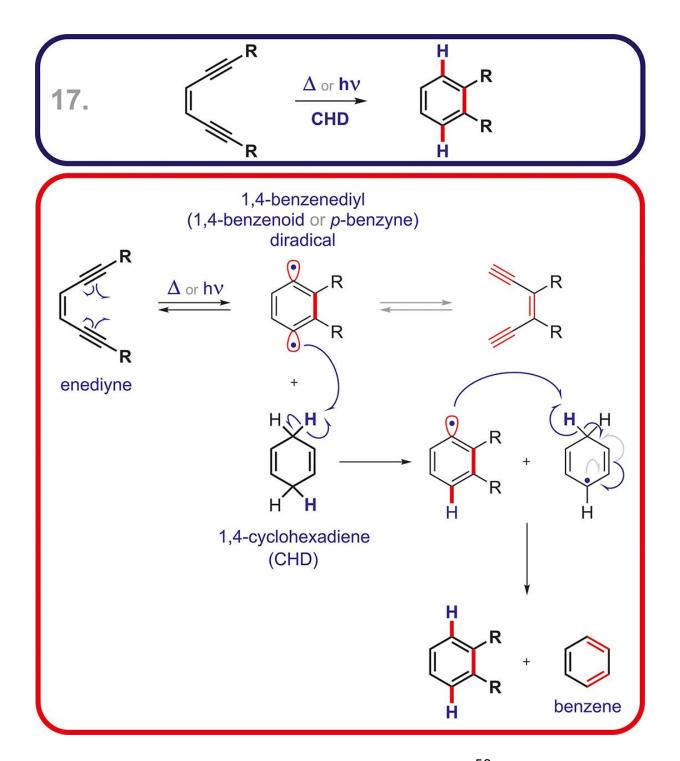


Fig. 17.1: The *Bergman* cyclization mechanism.⁵⁸

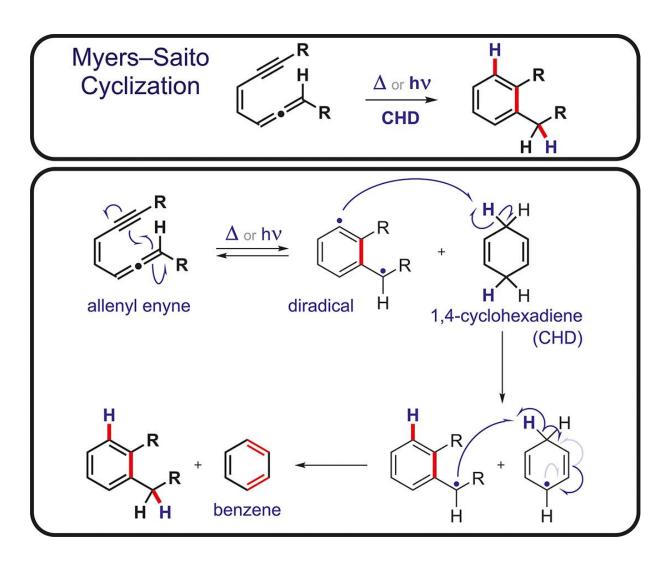


Fig. 17.2: The *Myers–Saito* cyclization mechanism.⁵⁹

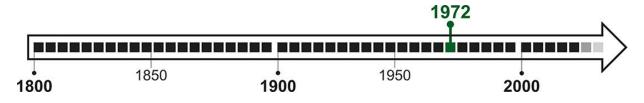


Fig. 17.3: The discovery of the *Bergman* cyclization.⁶⁰

18 Birch Reduction

Fig. 18.1: The *Birch* reduction mechanism.⁶¹.

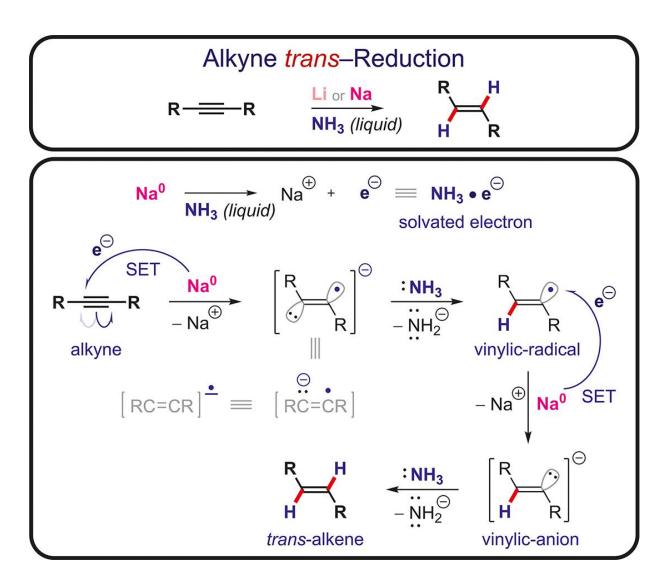


Fig. 18.2: The *alkyne trans-reduction* mechanism.⁶².

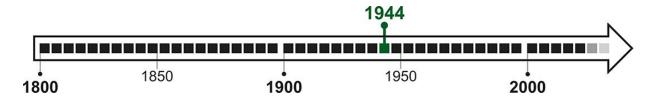


Fig. 18.3: The discovery of the *Birch* reduction.⁶³.

19 Bischler-Napieralski Cyclization

Fig. 19.1: The *Bischler–Napieralski* cyclization mechanism.⁶⁴.

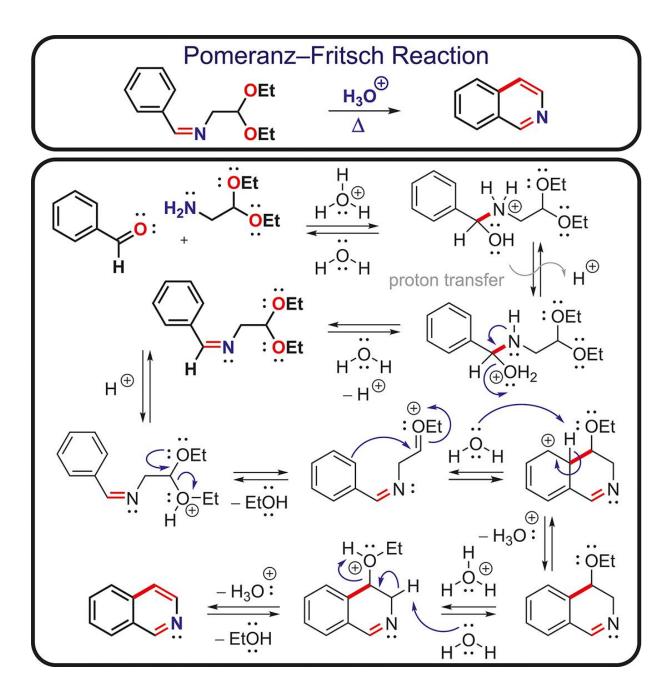


Fig. 19.2: The *Pomeranz–Fritsch* reaction mechanism.⁶⁵.

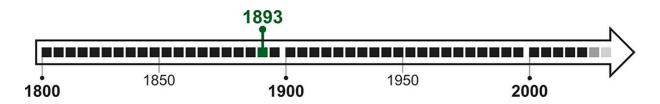


Fig. 19.3: The discovery of the *Bischler–Napieralski* cyclization.⁶⁶.

20 Brown Hydroboration

Fig. 20.1: The *Brown* hydroboration mechanism.⁶⁷.

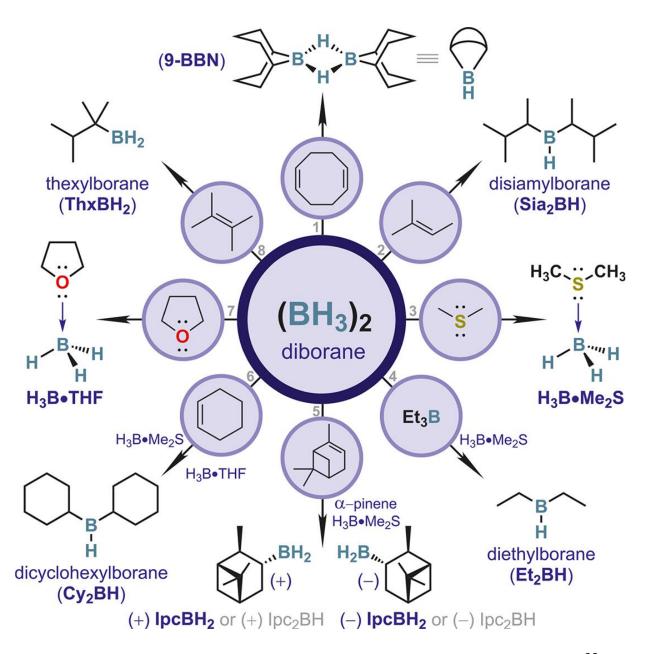


Fig. 20.2: Various borane derivatives formed from diborane.⁶⁸

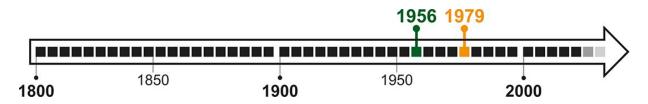


Fig. 20.3: The discovery of the *Brown hydroboration*.⁶⁹

21 Buchwald-Hartwig Cross-Coupling

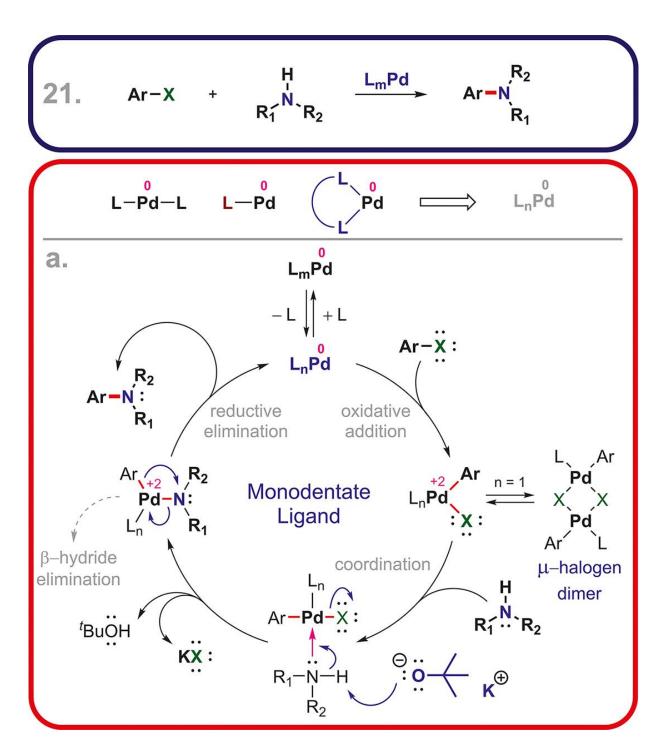


Fig. 21.1: The *Buchwald–Hartwig cross-coupling* mechanism (monodentate ligand).⁷⁰

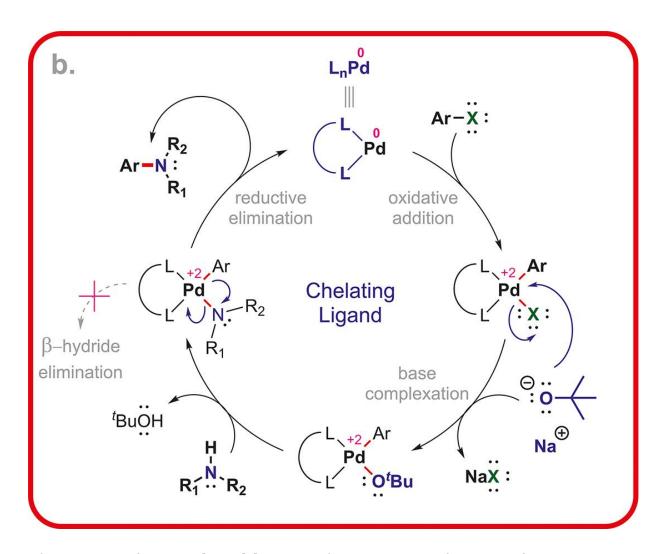


Fig. 21.2: The *Buchwald–Hartwig cross-coupling* mechanism (chelating ligand).⁷¹

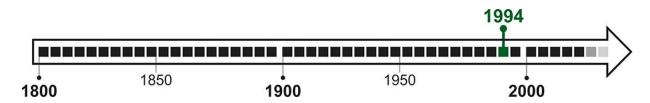


Fig. 21.3: The discovery of the *Buchwald–Hartwig* cross-coupling.⁷²

22 Cannizzaro Reaction

Fig. 22.1: The *Cannizzaro* reaction mechanism.⁷³

Fig. 22.2: Variations of the *Cannizzaro* reaction.⁷⁴

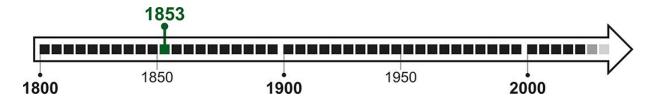


Fig. 22.3: The discovery of the *Cannizzaro* reaction.⁷⁵

23 Chan-Evans-Lam Cross-Coupling

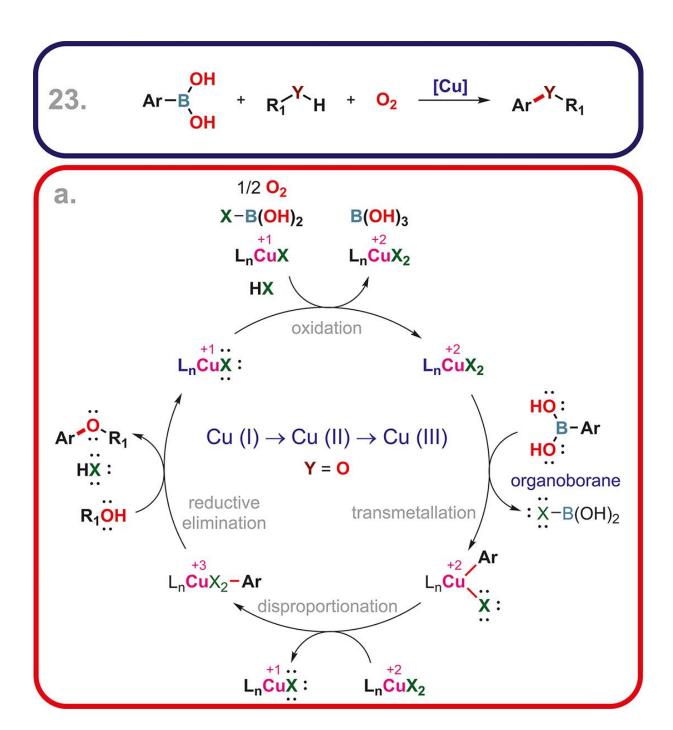


Fig. 23.1: The *Chan–Evans–Lam* cross-coupling mechanism (Y = O).

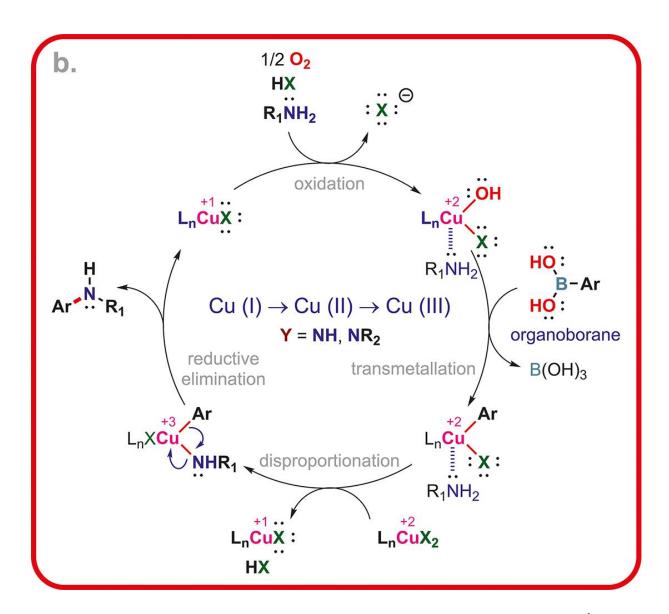


Fig. 23.2: The *Chan–Evans–Lam* cross-coupling mechanism (Y = NH, NR₂).⁷⁷

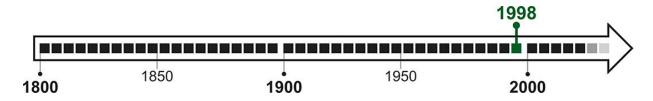


Fig. 23.3: The discovery of the *Chan–Evans–Lam* cross-coupling.⁷⁸

24 Chichibabin Amination

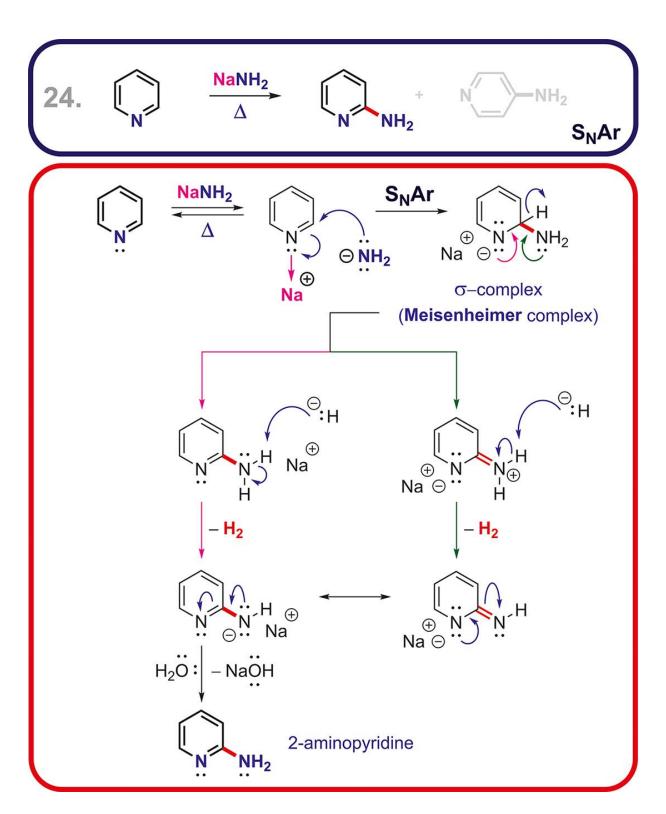


Fig. 24.1: The *Chichibabin amination* mechanism.⁷⁹.

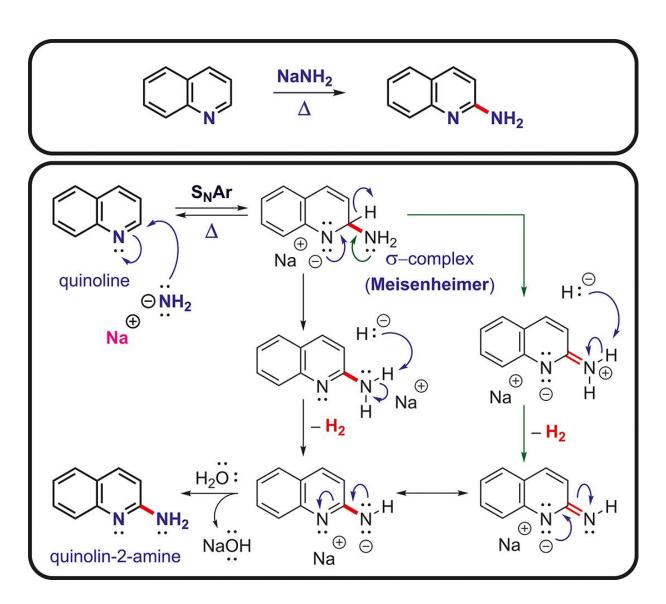


Fig. 24.2: The *Chichibabin amination* mechanism of quinoline.⁸⁰

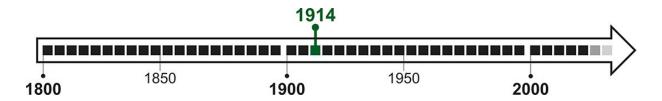


Fig. 24.3: The discovery of the *Chichibabin amination*.81

25 Claisen Condensation

Fig. 25.1: The *Claisen* condensation mechanism.⁸²

Dieckmann Condensation

$$CO_2Et$$
 EtO
 $n = 1, 2, 3$
 EtO
 $n = 1, 2, 3$
 EtO
 $n = 1, 2, 3$
 $n = 1, 2, 3$
 $n = 1, 2, 3$

Dieckmann Condensation

 CO_2Et
 EtO
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Dieckmann Condensation

 CO_2Et
 $n = 1, 2, 3$
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Fig. 25.2: The *Dieckmann* condensation mechanism.⁸³

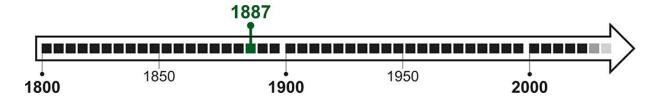


Fig. 25.3: The discovery of the *Claisen* condensation.⁸⁴

26 Claisen Rearrangement

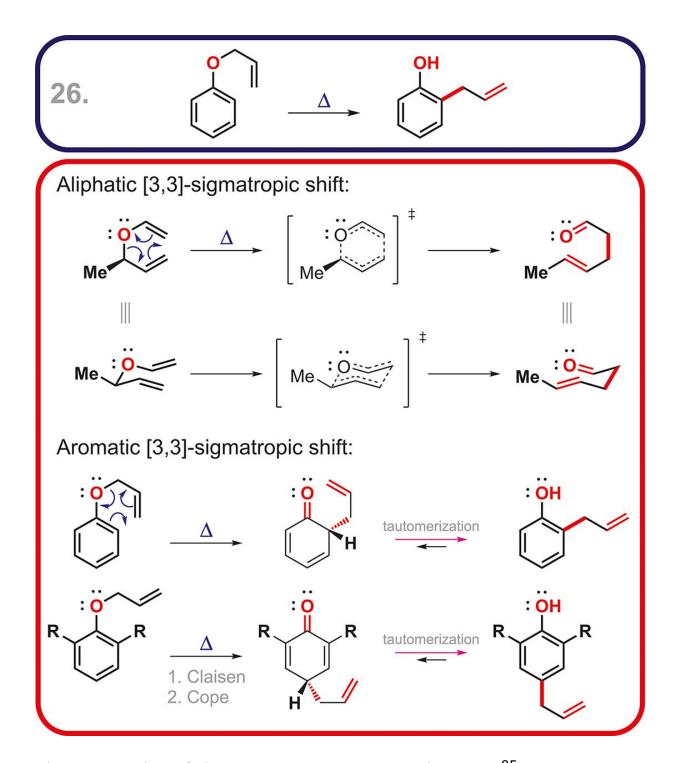


Fig. 26.1: The *Claisen* rearrangement mechanism.⁸⁵

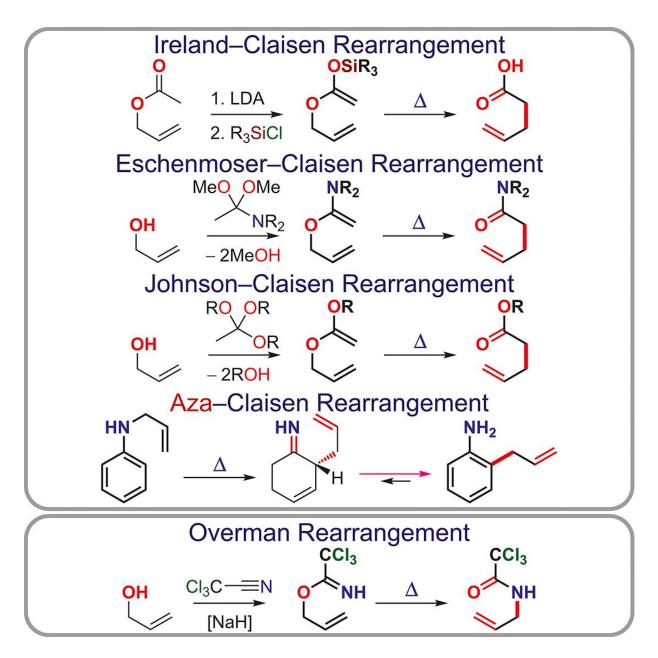


Fig. 26.2: Reactions related to the *Claisen rearrangement*.86

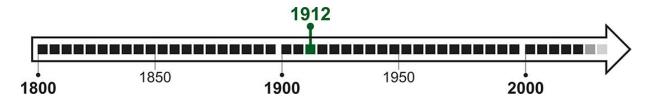


Fig. 26.3: The discovery of the *Claisen* rearrangement.⁸⁷

27 Cope Elimination

Fig. 27.1: The *Cope* elimination mechanism.⁸⁸

Fig. 27.2: Reactions related to the *Cope elimination*.⁸⁹

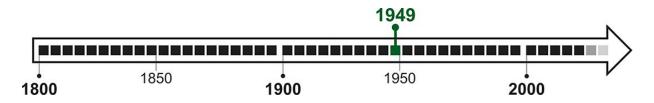


Fig. 27.3: The discovery of the *Cope elimination*. ⁹⁰

28 Cope Rearrangement

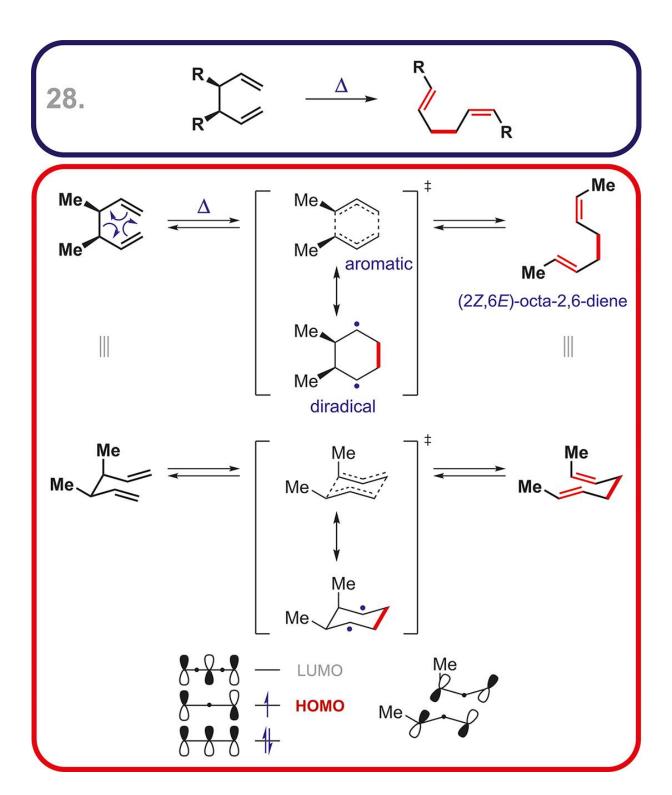


Fig. 28.1: The *Cope* rearrangement mechanism.⁹¹

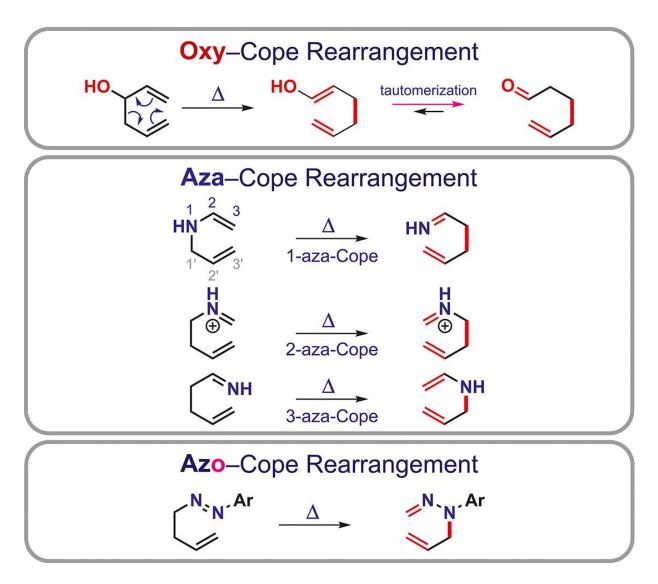


Fig. 28.2: Reactions related to the *Cope rearrangement*.⁹²

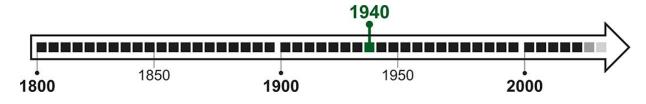


Fig. 28.3: The discovery of the *Cope rearrangement*.⁹³

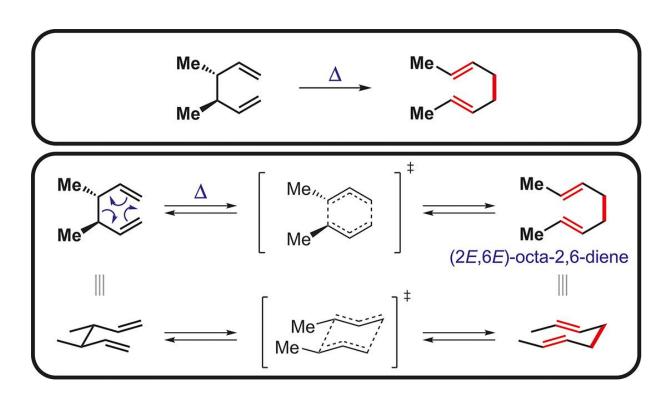


Fig. 28.4: The *Cope* rearrangement of (3R,4R)-3,4-dimethylhexa-1,5-diene.⁹⁴

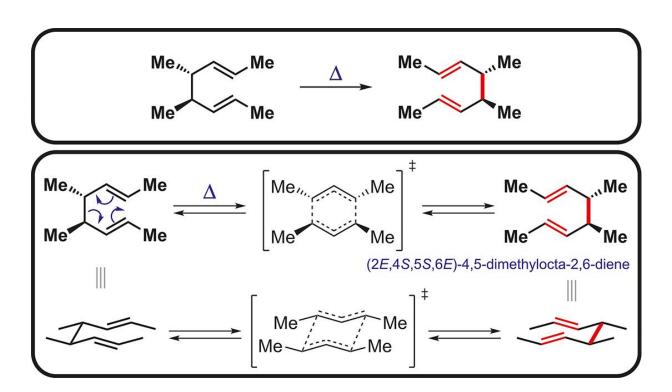


Fig. 28.5: The *Cope* rearrangement of (2*E*,4*R*,5*R*,6*E*)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene.⁹⁵

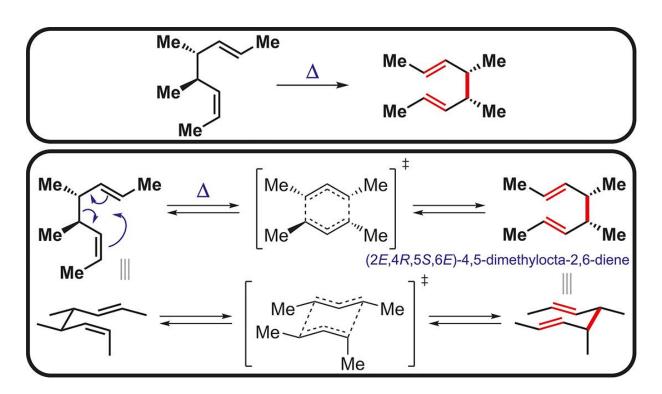


Fig. 28.6: The *Cope* rearrangement of (2*Z*,4*R*,5*R*,6*E*)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene.⁹⁶

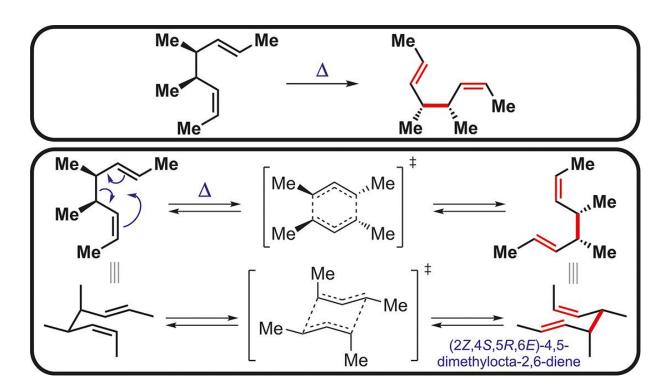


Fig. 28.7: The *Cope* rearrangement of (2*Z*,4*R*,5*S*,6*E*)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene.⁹⁷

29 Criegee and Malaprade Oxidation

29a.
$$R \cap R' \cap Pb(OAc)_4$$
 $R \cap R' \cap Pb(OAc)_4$ $R \cap R' \cap Pb(OAc)_2$ $R \cap R' \cap Pb(OAc)_2$ $R \cap Pb(OAc)_2$

Fig. 29.1: The *Criegee* oxidation mechanism.⁹⁸

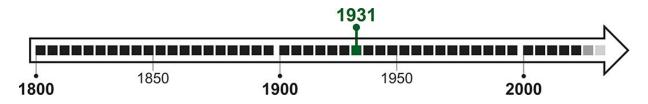


Fig. 29.2: The discovery of the *Criegee* oxidation.⁹⁹

Fig. 29.3: The *Malaprade* oxidation mechanism. 100

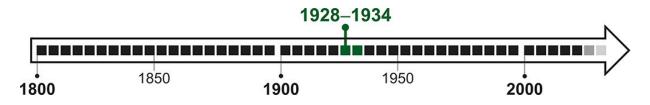


Fig. 29.4: The discovery of the *Malaprade* oxidation. 101

30 CuAAC

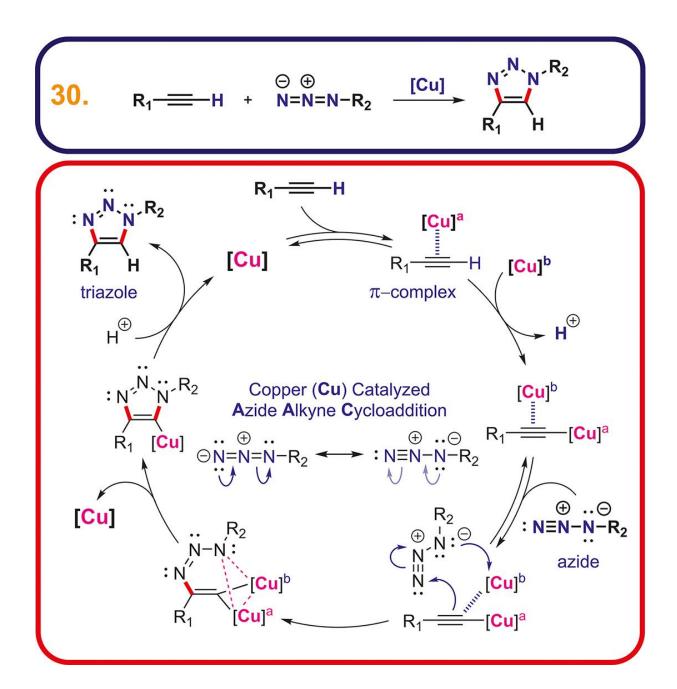


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Huisgen 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition
$$MeO_2C = CO_2Me + X=X=X-R_2 \xrightarrow{\Delta} X \xrightarrow{X} X-R_2$$

$$R_1 = H + N_3-R_2 \xrightarrow{[Ru]} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} \xrightarrow{N} N + N \xrightarrow{N} N-R_2$$

$$R_1 = H + N_3-R_2 \xrightarrow{[Ni]} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} \xrightarrow{N} N + N \xrightarrow{N} N-R_2$$

$$R_1 = H + N_3-R_2 \xrightarrow{[Nii]} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} \xrightarrow{N} N + N \xrightarrow{N} N-R_2$$

Fig. 30.2: Reactions related to the **CuAAC**.¹⁰³

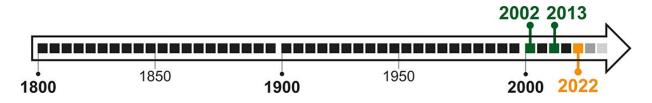


Fig. 30.3: The discovery of the **CuAAC**.¹⁰⁴

31 Curtius Rearrangement

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Fig. 31.1: The *Curtius* rearrangement mechanism. ¹⁰⁵

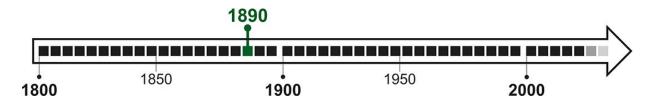


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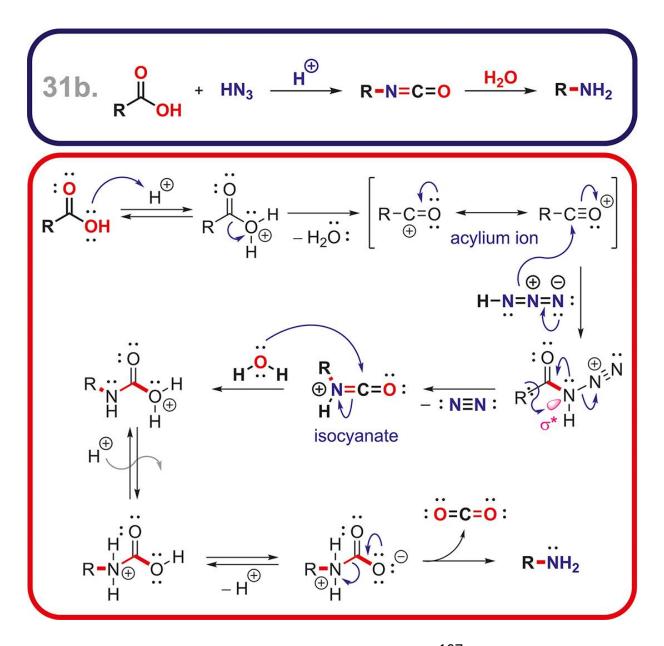


Fig. 31.3: The *Schmidt* reaction mechanism.¹⁰⁷

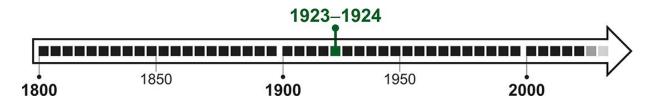


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31c.
$$R NH_2 NAOH Br_2 R-N=C=O H_2O R-NH_2$$

$$R NH_2 NH_2 R-N=C=O H_2O R-NH_2$$

$$R NH_2 NAOH NAOBr R-N=C=O R-NH_2$$

$$R NH_2 R-N=C=O R-NH_2$$

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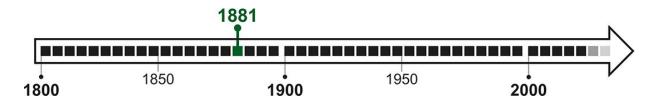


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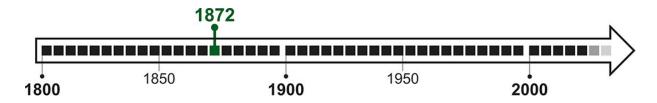


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32 Darzens Condensation

32.
$$CI \nearrow EWG \rightarrow R_1 \nearrow R_2 \longrightarrow R_2 \longrightarrow R_2 \longrightarrow R_1 \nearrow R_2 \longrightarrow R_2 \longrightarrow R_1 \longrightarrow R_2 \longrightarrow R$$

Fig. 32.1: The *Darzens* condensation mechanism. 113

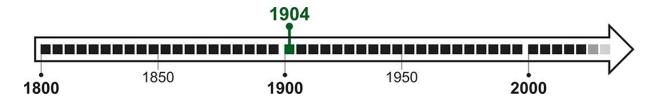


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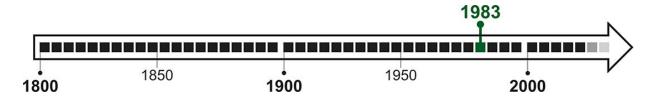


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34 Diazotization (Diazonium Salt)

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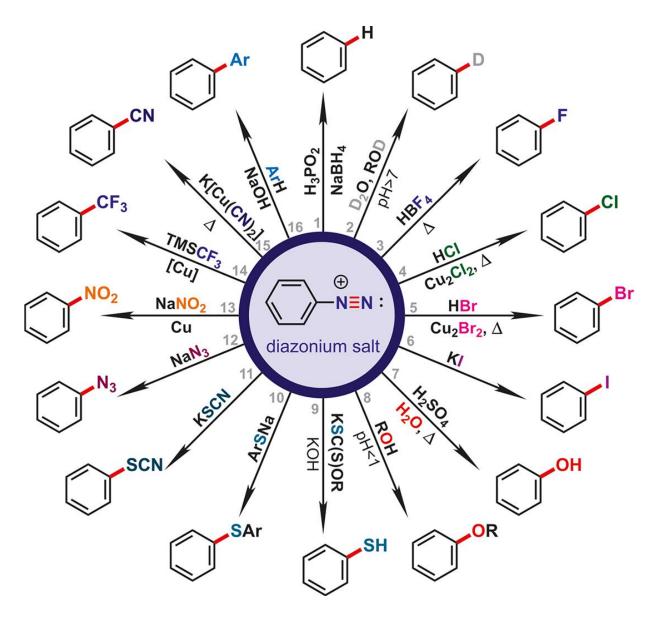


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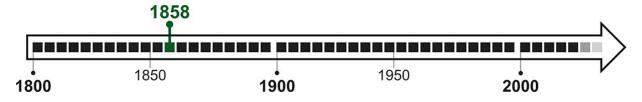


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35 Diels-Alder Cycloaddition

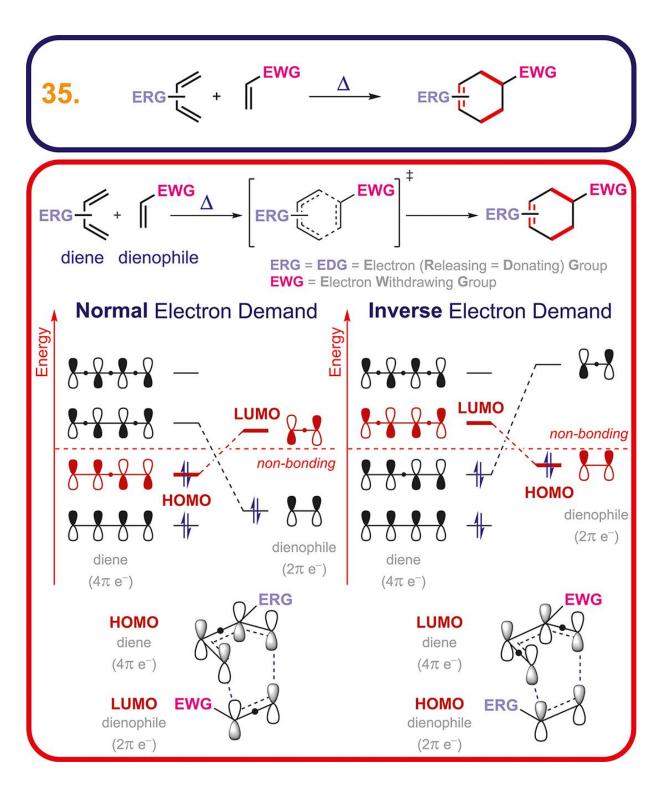


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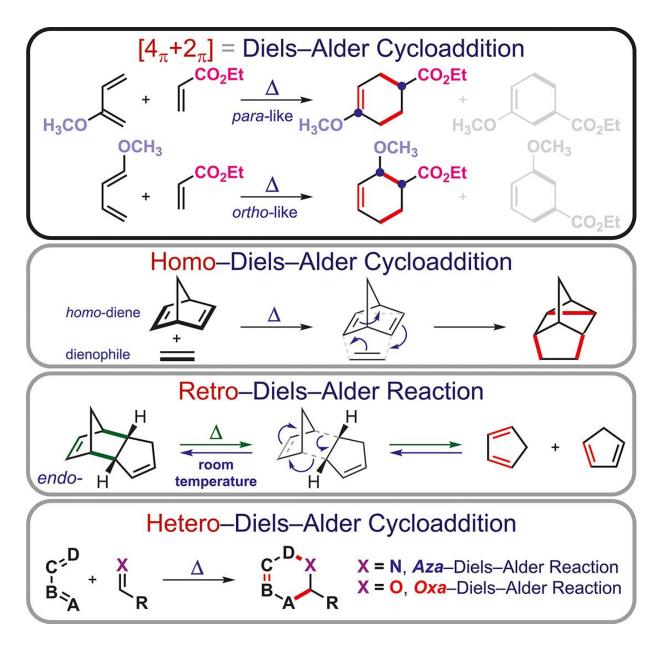


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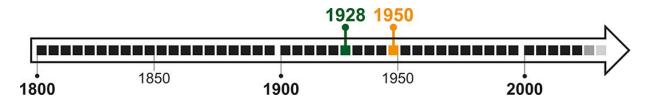


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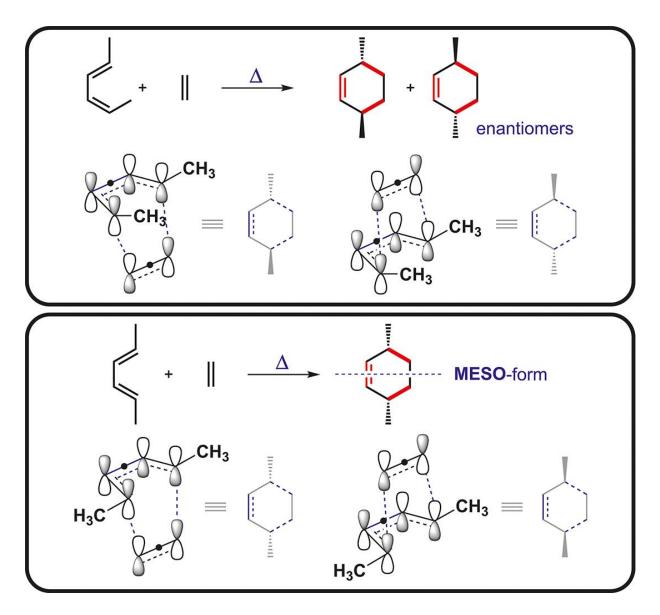


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Di-π-Methane Rearrangement

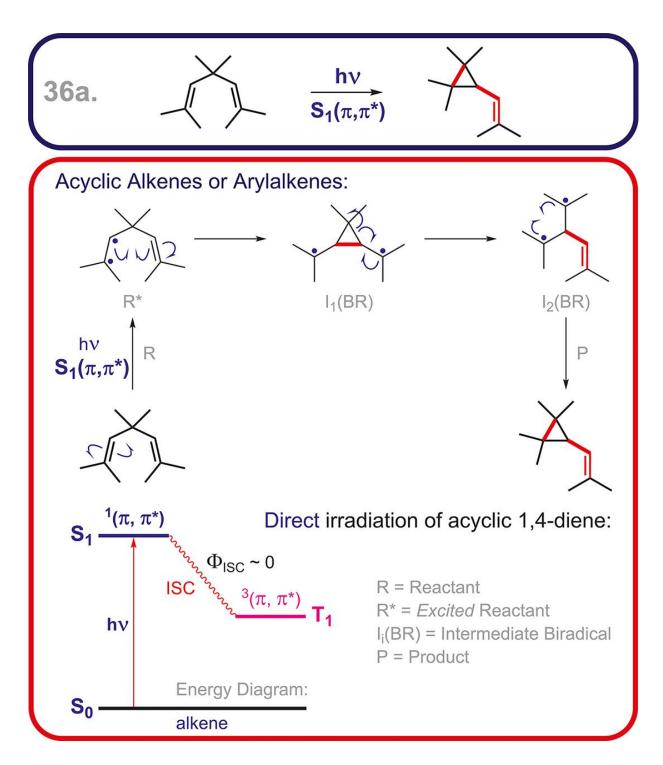


Fig. 36.1: The *di-\pi-methane rearrangement* mechanism: direct irradiation. ¹²⁹

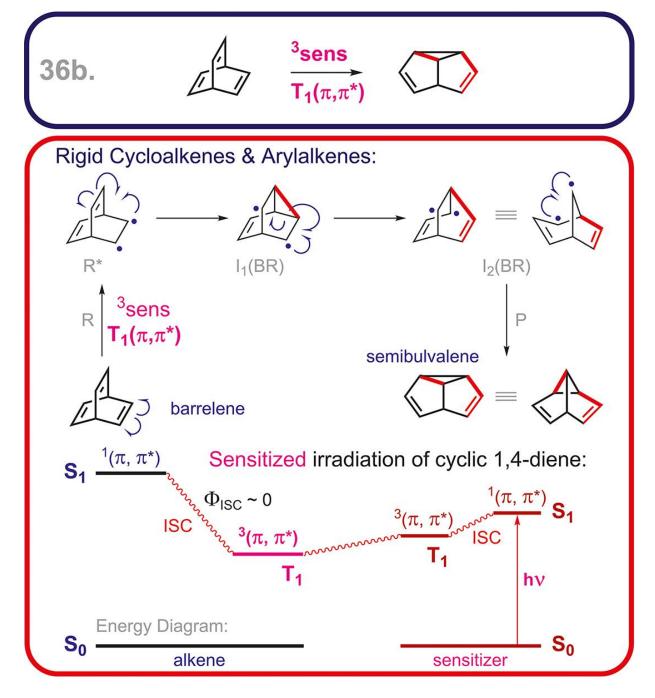


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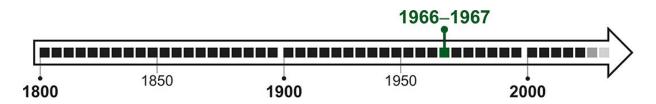


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37 Favorskii Rearrangement

37.
$$R_{2} = R_{1} = R_{2} = R_{3} = R_{4} = R_{2} = R_{4} = R_{4} = R_{2} = R_{4} =$$

Fig. 37.1: The *Favorskii* rearrangement mechanism. 132

Quasi–Favorskii Rearrangement

$$R_2$$
 R_1
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4

Semi-benzylic mechanism:

 R_2
 R_1
 R_3
 R_4

Semi-benzylic mechanism:

 R_2
 R_1
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4
 R_3
 R_4
 R_3
 R_4
 R_4
 R_5
 R_5
 R_7
 R_8
 R_8

Fig. 37.2: The *quasi-Favorskii* rearrangement mechanism and related reactions.¹³³

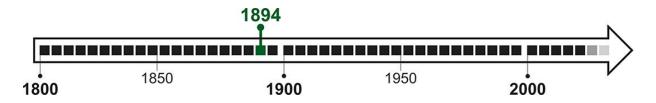


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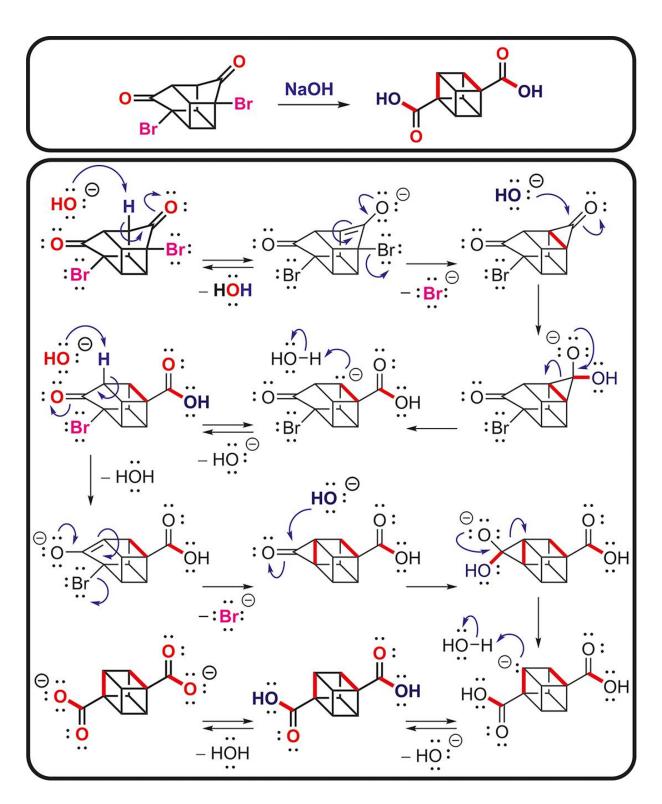


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38 Fischer Indole Synthesis

38.
$$\stackrel{N}{\underset{H}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{N}{\underset{R_2}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{ZnCl_2}{\underset{H}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{R_1}{\underset{H}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{N}{\underset{H}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{N}{\underset{N}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{N}{\underset{N}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{N}{\underset{N}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{N}{\underset{N}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel{N}{\underset{N}{\longrightarrow}} \stackrel$$

Fig. 38.1: The *Fischer indole synthesis* mechanism. ¹³⁷.

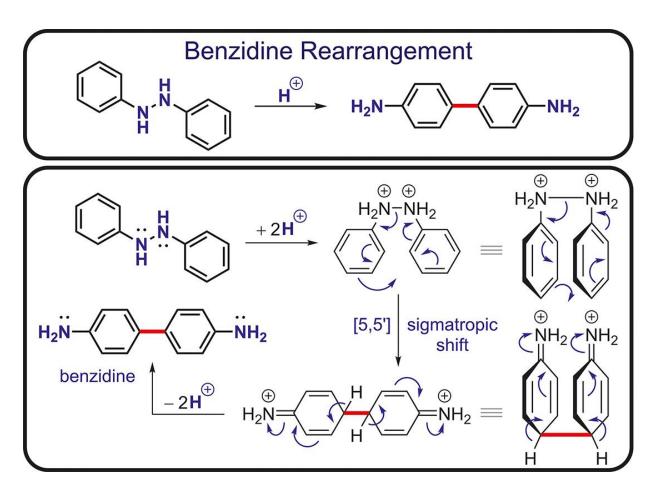


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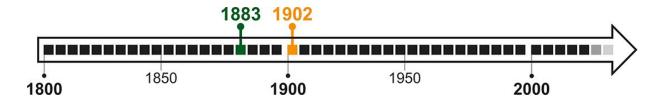


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39 Friedel-Crafts Acylation and Alkylation

39a.
$$R$$

$$CI_{3}AI_{0}$$

$$CI_{3}AI_{$$

Fig. 39.1: The *Friedel–Crafts* acylation mechanism. 140

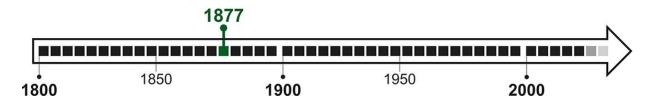


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Fig. 39.3: The *Friedel–Crafts* alkylation mechanism. 142

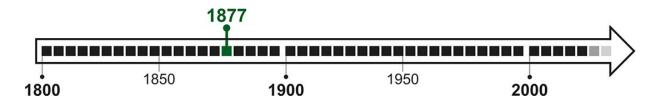


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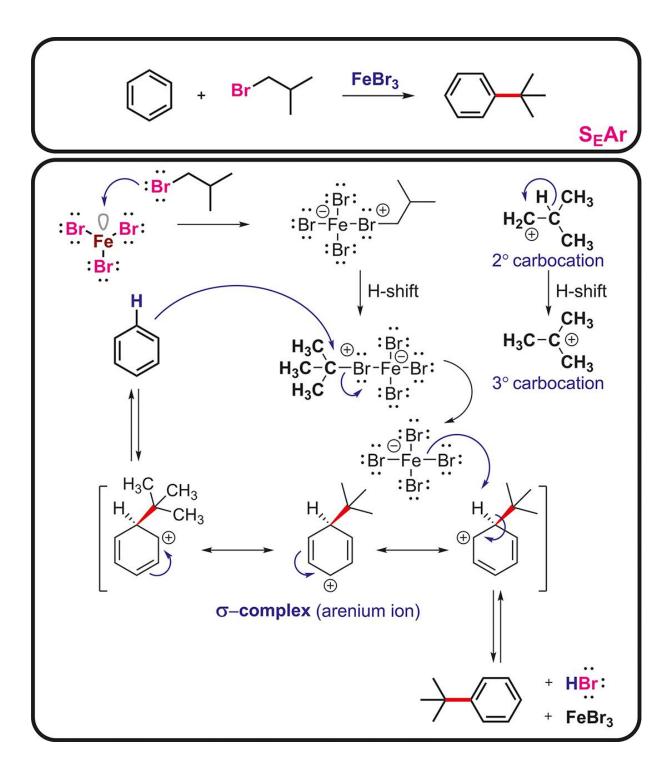


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Gabriel Synthesis

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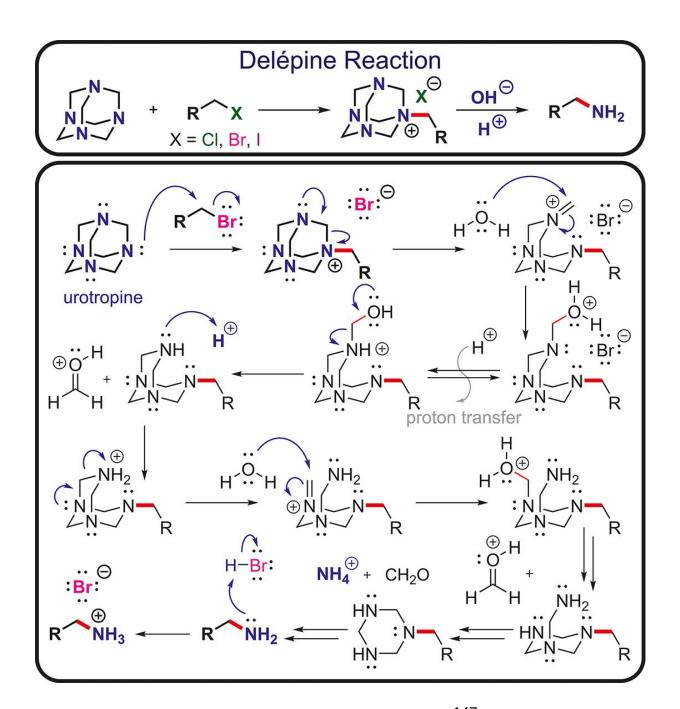


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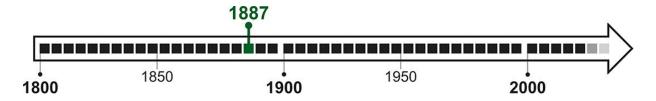


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41 Gewald Reaction

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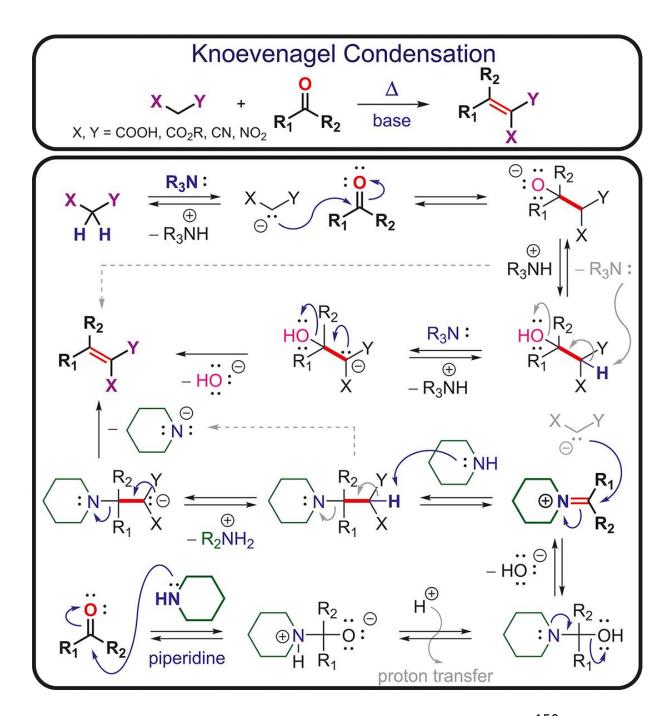


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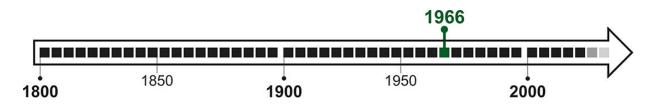


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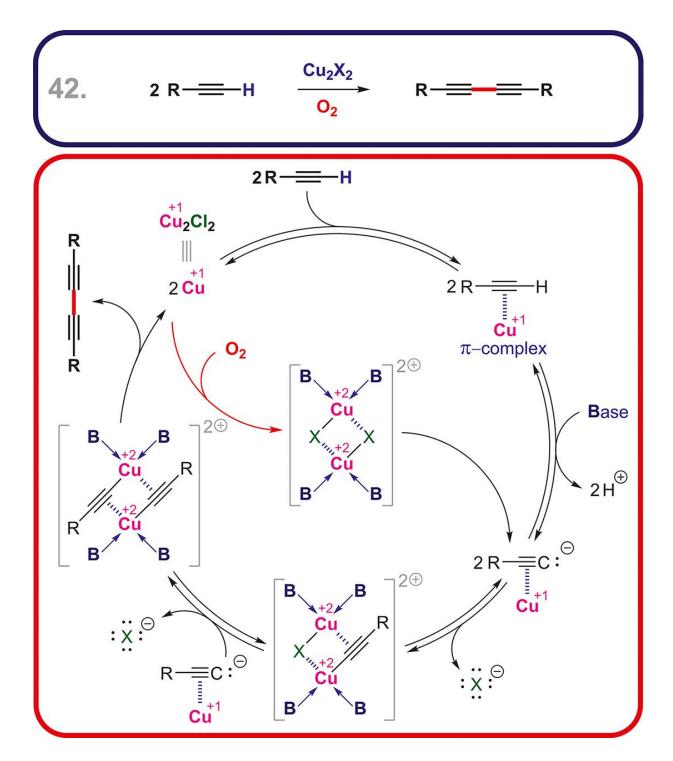


Fig. 42.1: The *Glaser–Eglinton–Hay* coupling mechanism.¹⁵².

Fig. 42.2: Reactions related to the *Glaser–Eglinton–Hay* coupling.¹⁵³

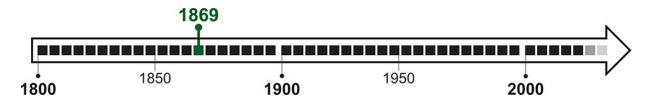


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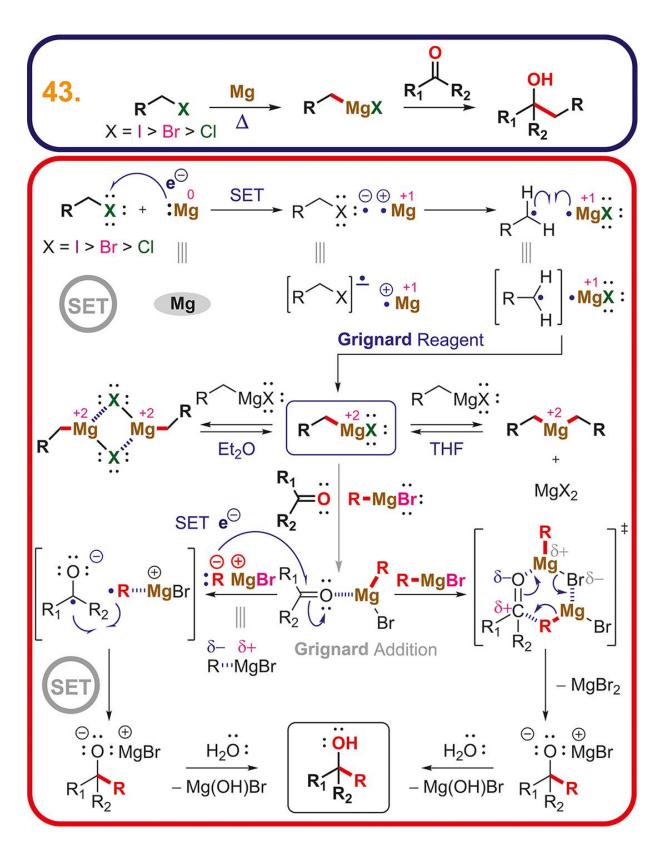


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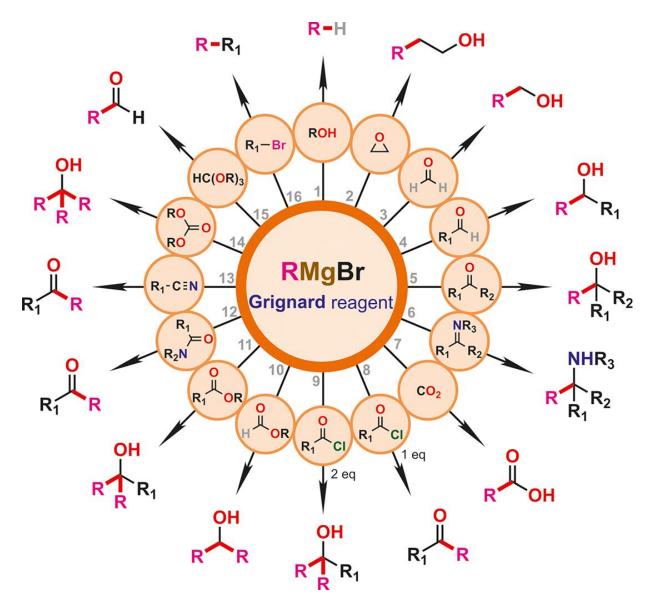


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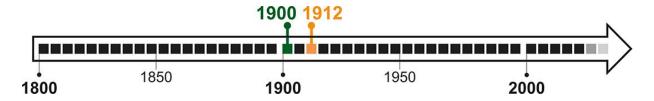


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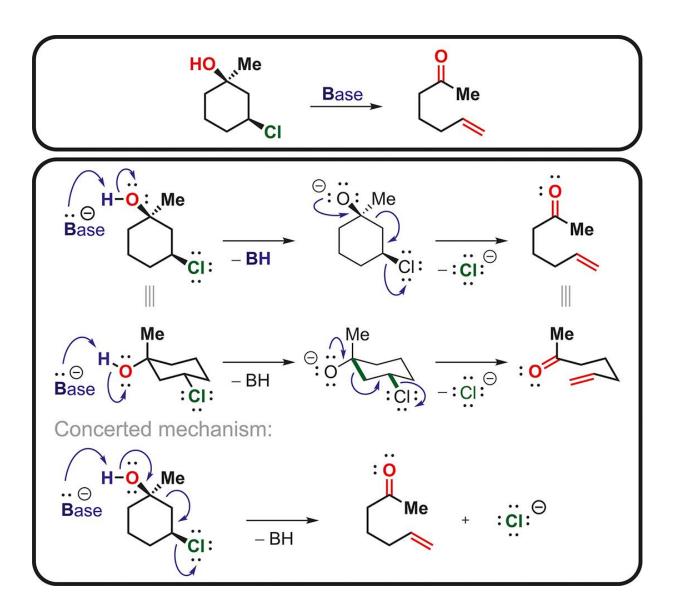


Fig. 44.3: The *Grob* fragmentation mechanism of (1R,3S)-3-chloro-1-methylcyclohexan-1-ol. ¹⁶⁰

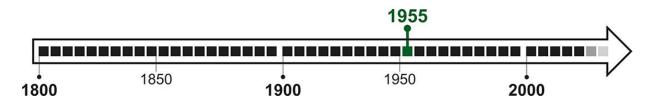


Fig. 44.4: The discovery of the *Grob* fragmentation. 161

45 Haloform Reaction

45.
$$R$$
 CH_3
 Θ
 OH
 R
 CH_3
 OH
 R
 OH
 R
 OH
 R
 OH
 R
 OH
 R
 OH
 R
 OH
 OH

Fig. 45.1: The *haloform reaction* mechanism. 162

Fig. 45.2: Variations of the *haloform reaction*. 163

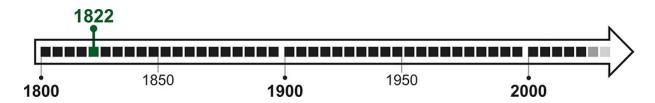


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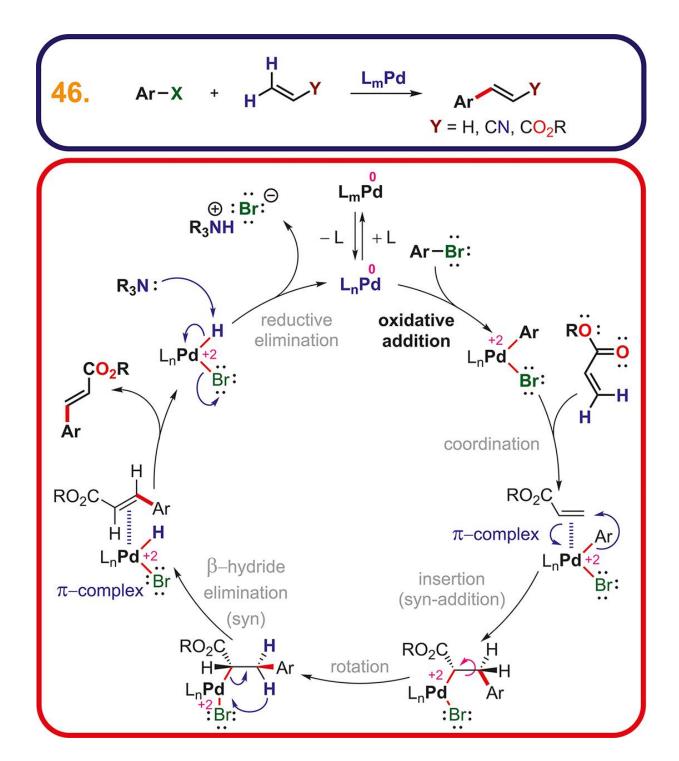


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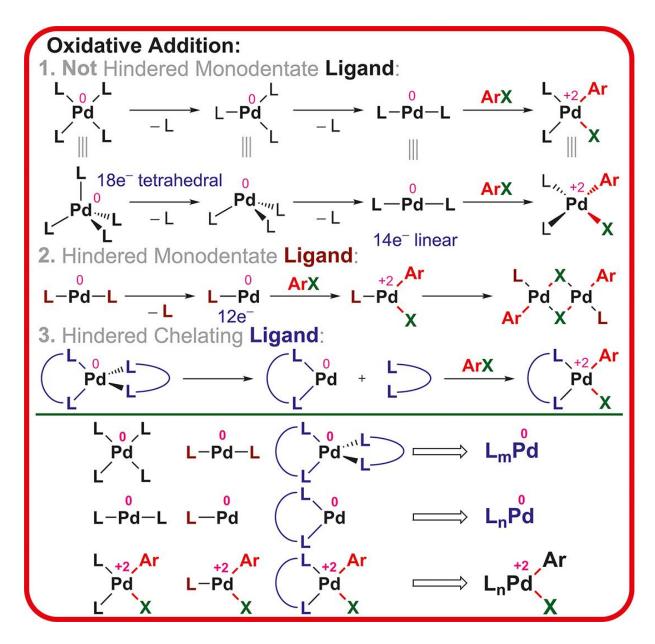


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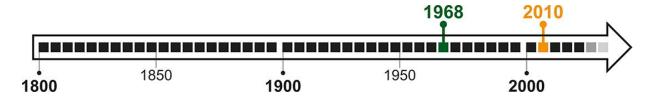


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47 Hell-Volhard-Zelinsky Reaction

47.
$$R$$

H

OH

 $X = CI, Br$
 $X = CI, Br$

Fig. 47.1: The *Hell–Volhard–Zelinsky* reaction mechanism. 168

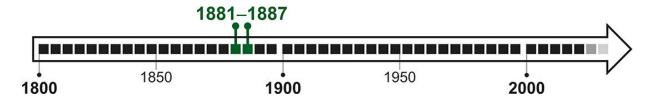


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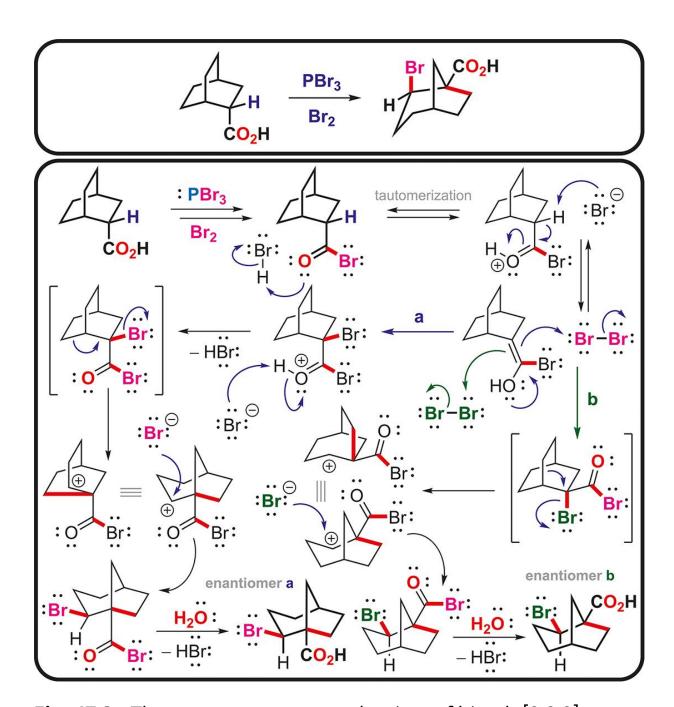


Fig. 47.3: The rearrangement mechanism of bicyclo[2.2.2]octane system.¹⁷⁰

48 Hiyama Cross-Coupling

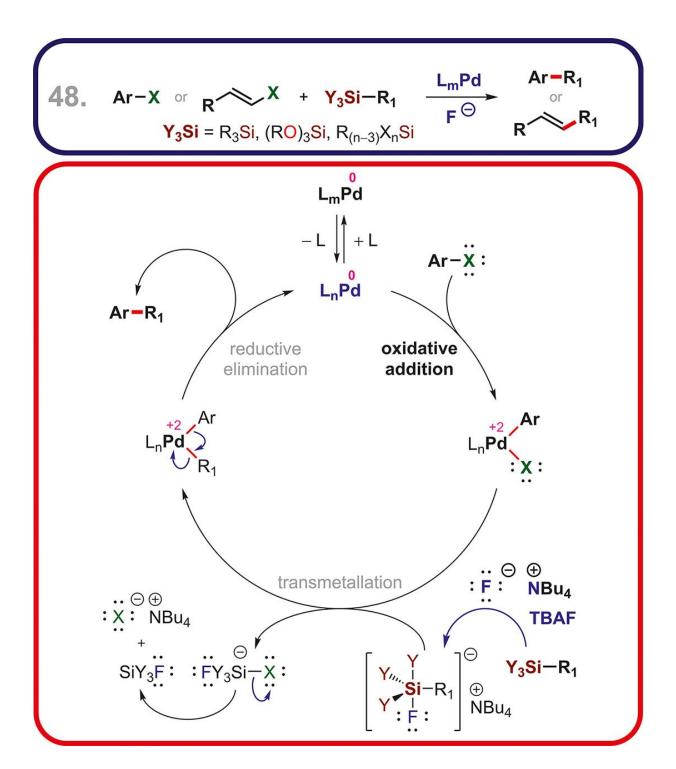


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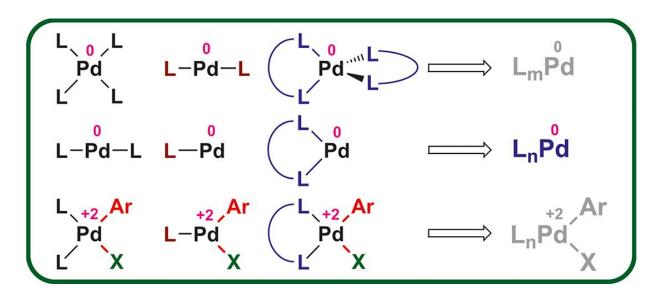


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Hiyama–Denmark Cross Coupling

$$Ar-X$$
 or
 $+$
 $HO-Si-R_1$
 $base$
 R
 R_1

Fig. 48.3: Variations of the *Hiyama* cross-coupling. 173

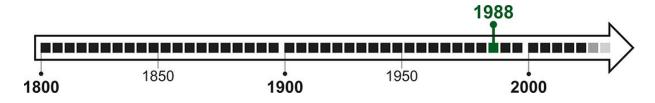


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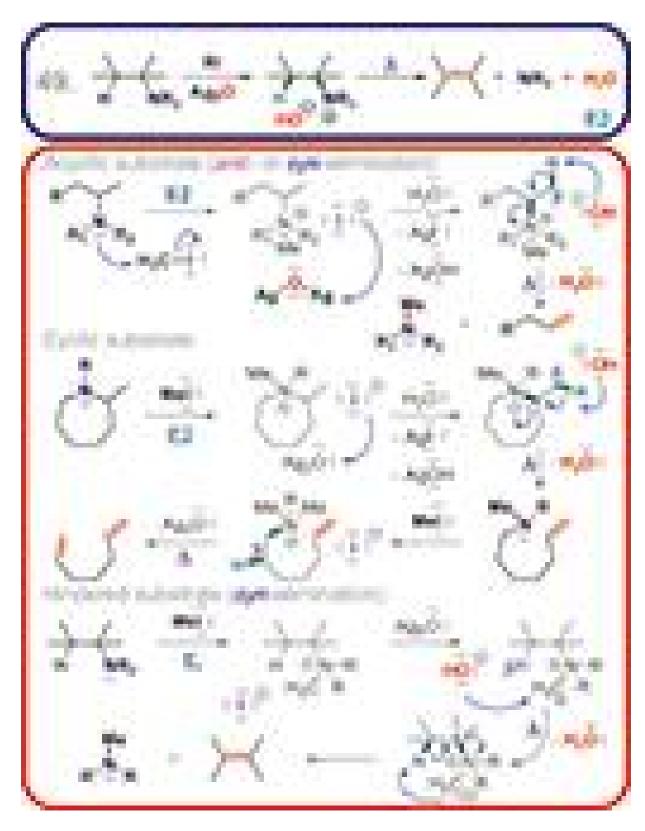


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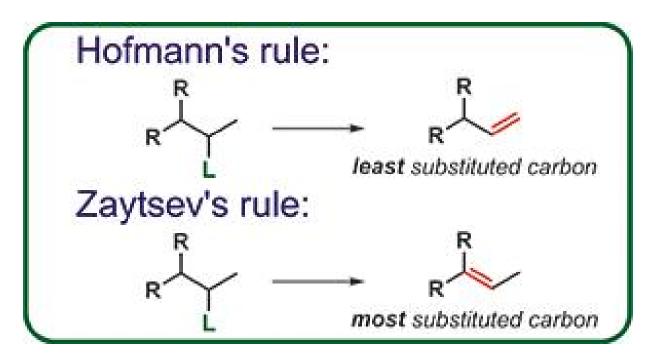


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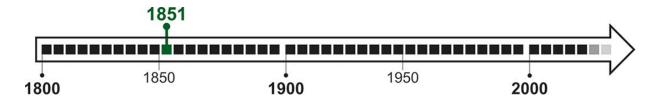


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50 Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons Olefination

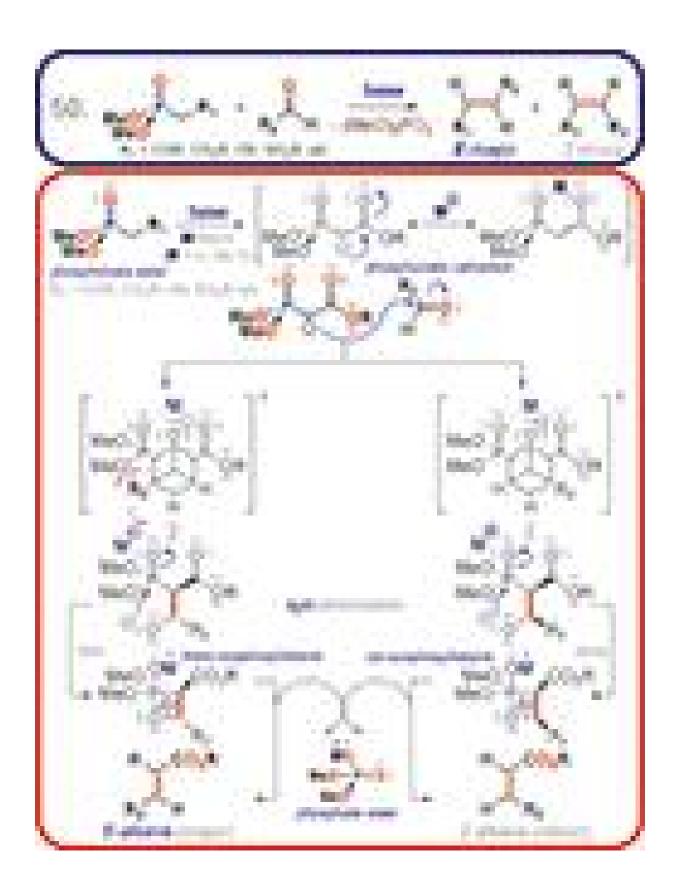


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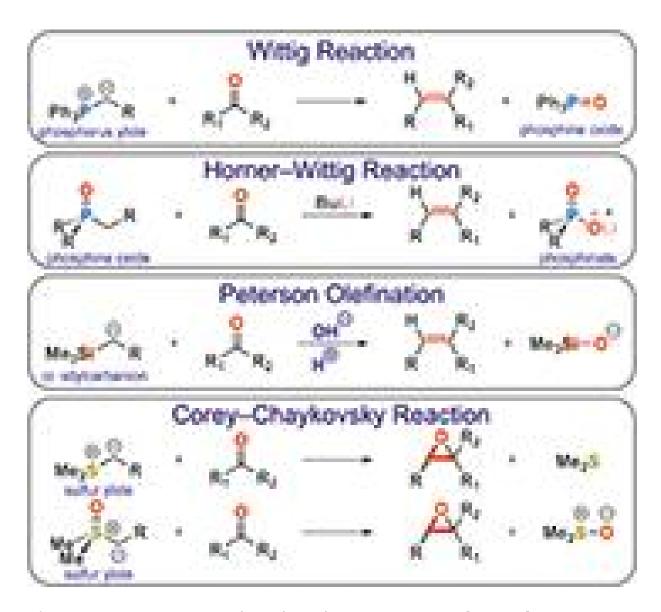


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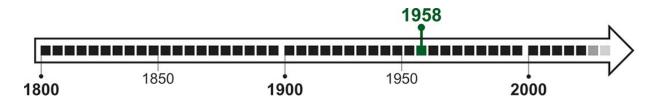


Fig. 50.3: The discovery of the *Horner–Wadsworth–Emmons olefination*.¹⁸¹

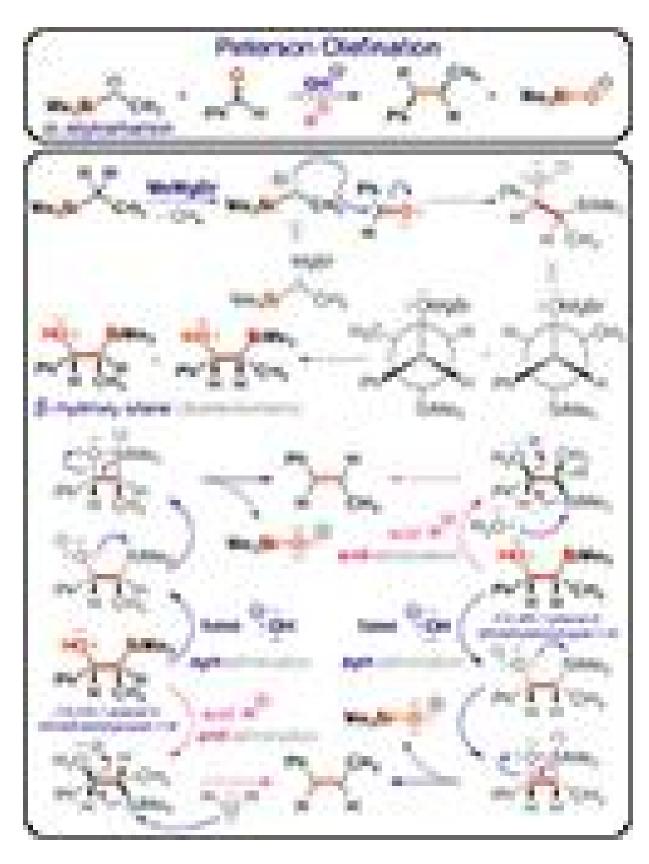


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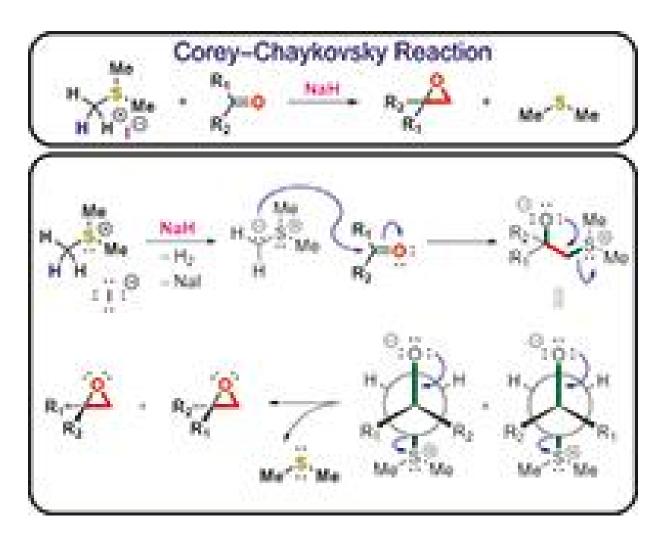


Fig. 50.5: The *Corey–Chaykovsky reaction* mechanism.¹⁸³

51 Jones Oxidation

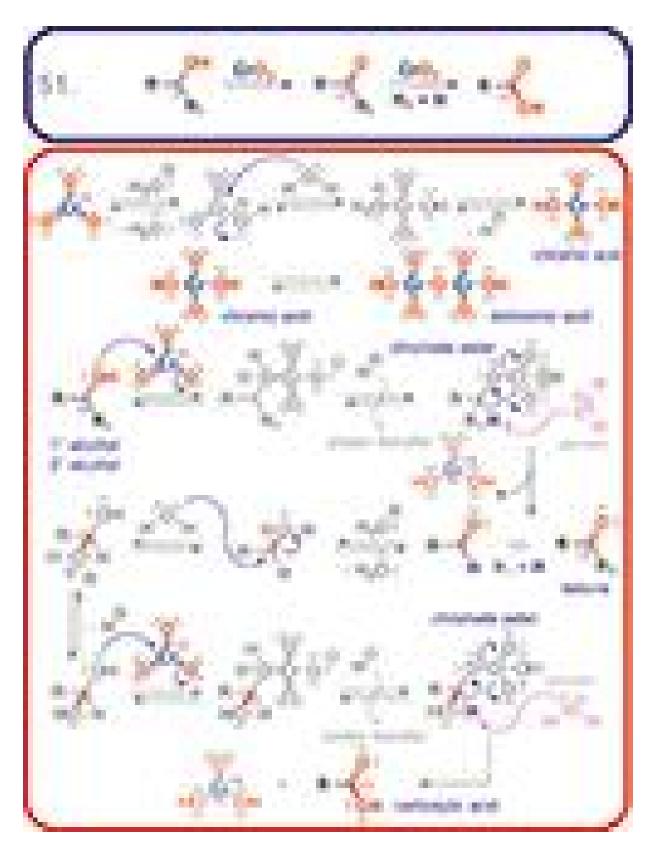


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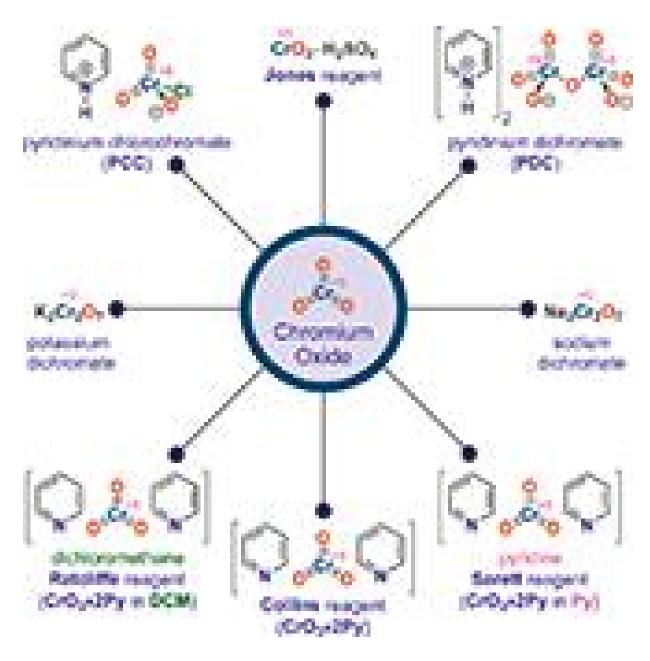


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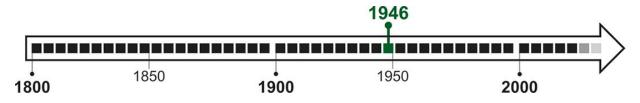


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52 Kucherov Reaction

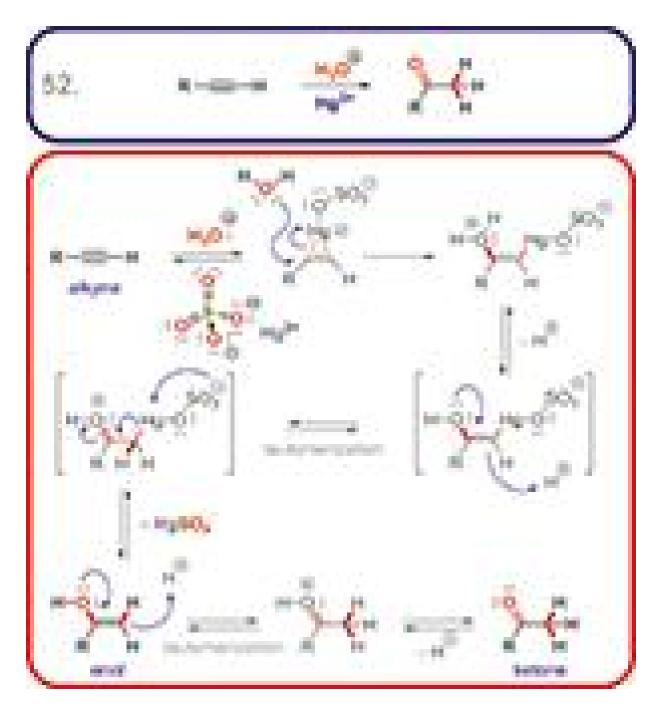


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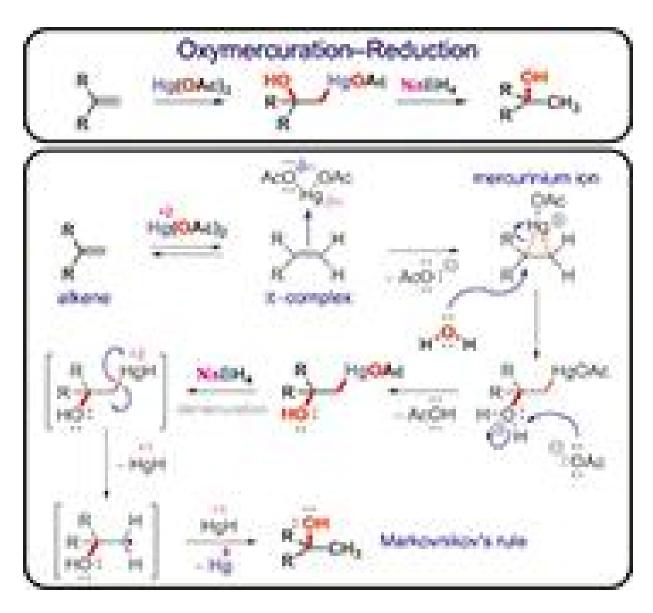


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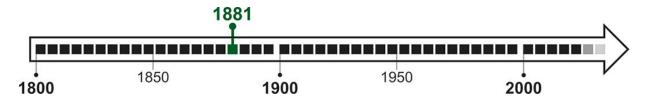


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53 Kumada Cross-Coupling

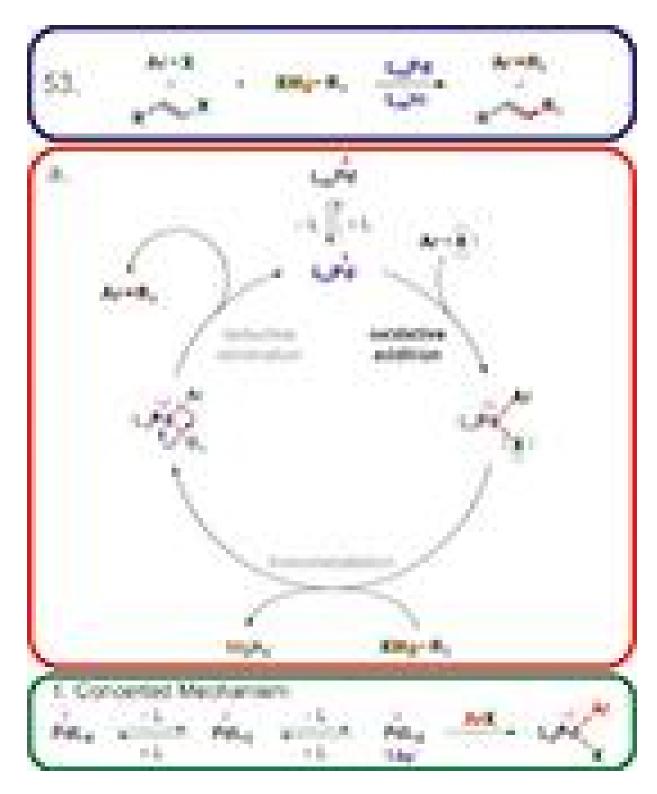


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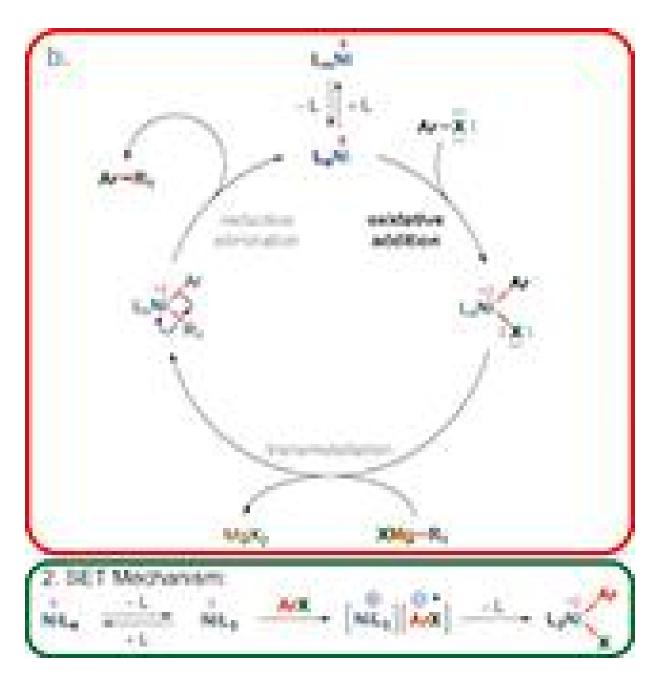


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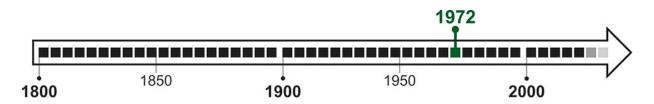


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54 Ley-Griffith Oxidation

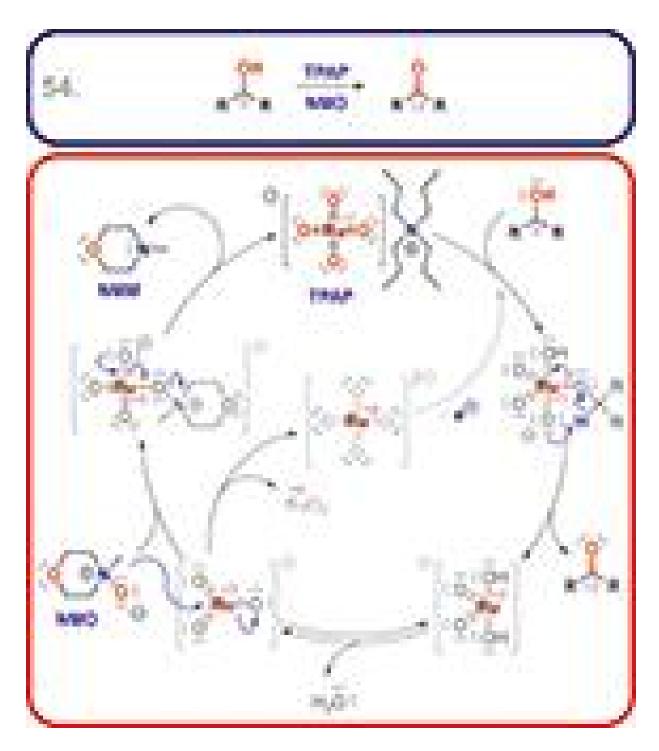


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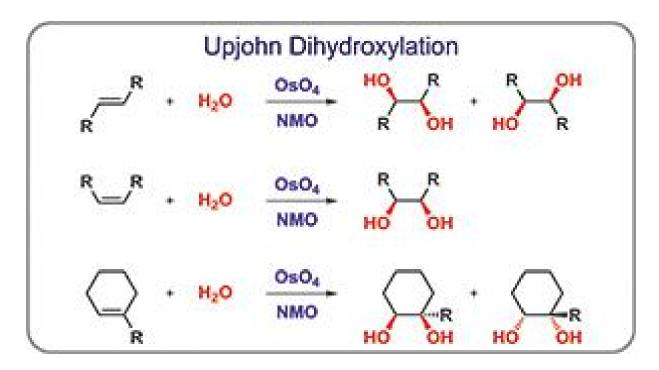


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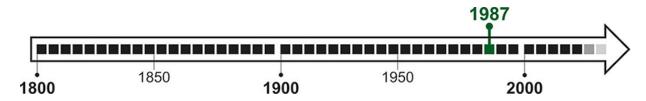


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55 Liebeskind-Srogl Cross-Coupling

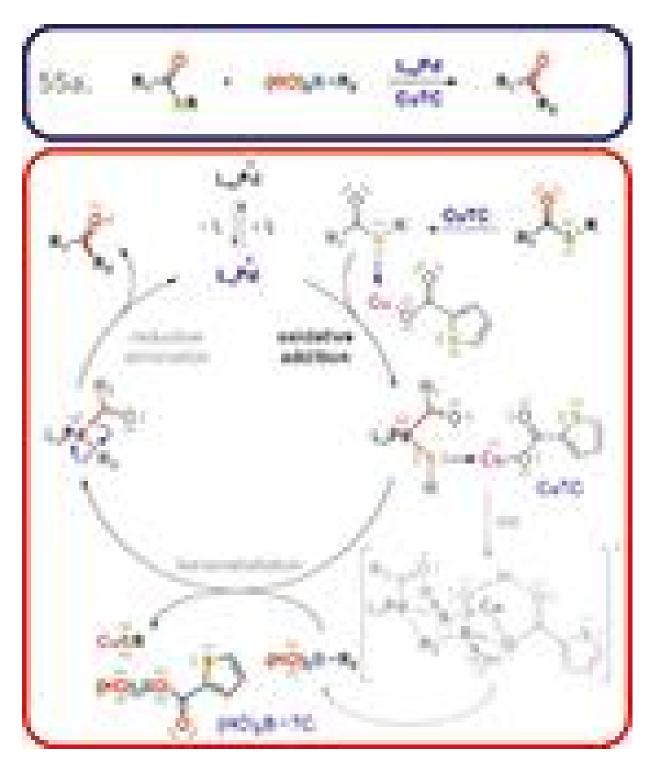


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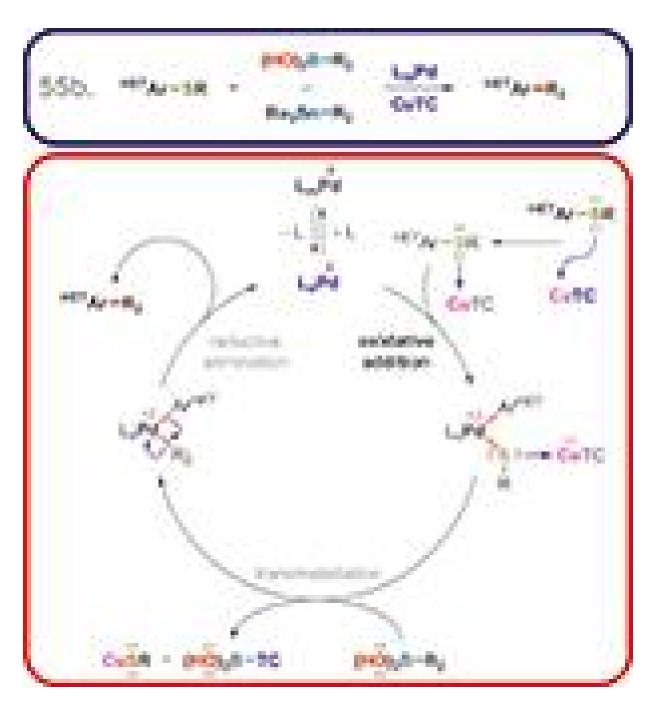


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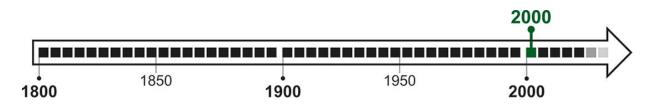


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56 Mannich Reaction

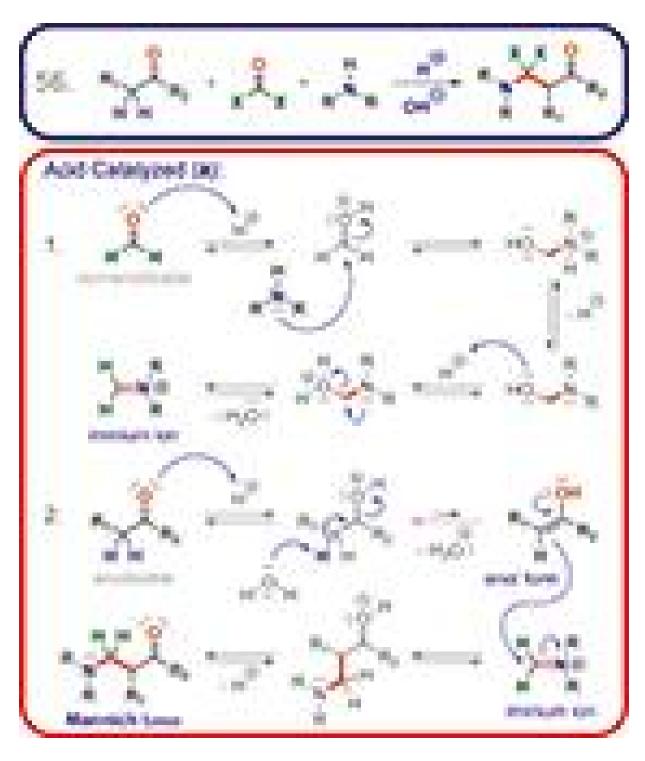


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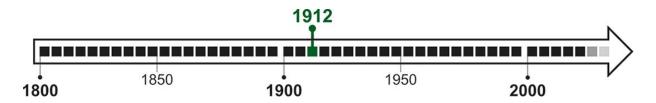


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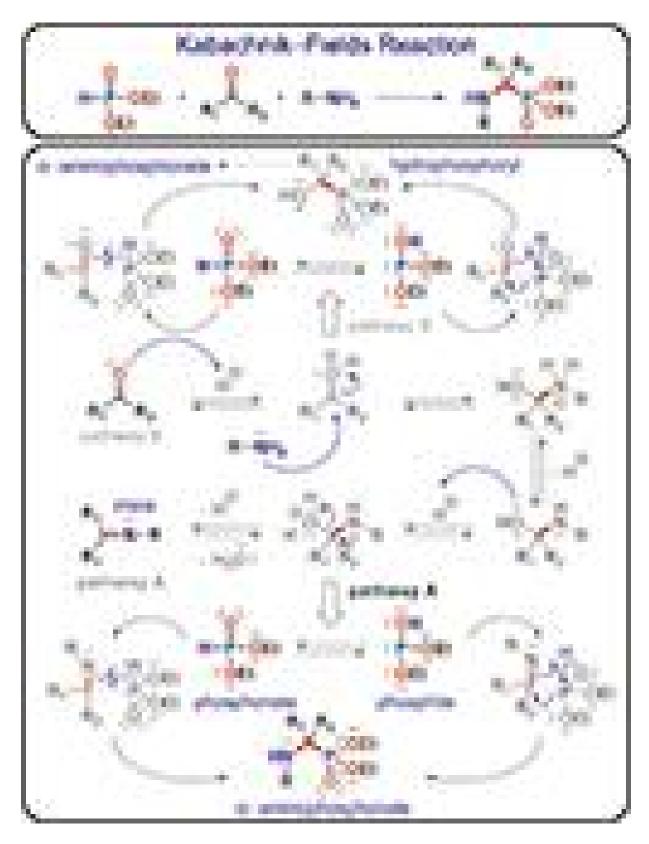


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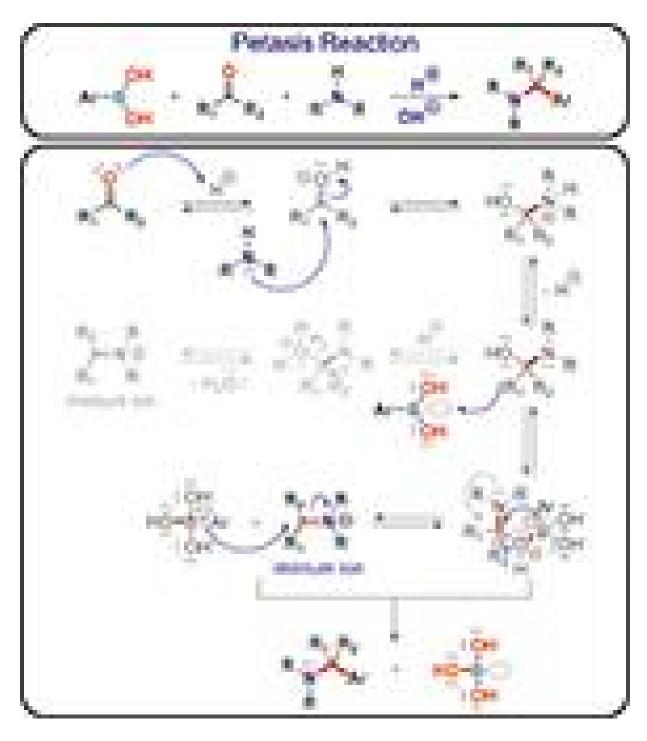


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57 McMurry Coupling

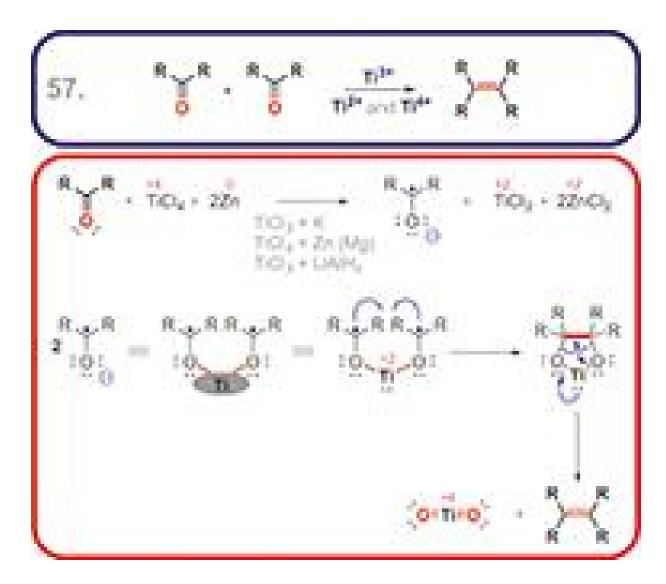


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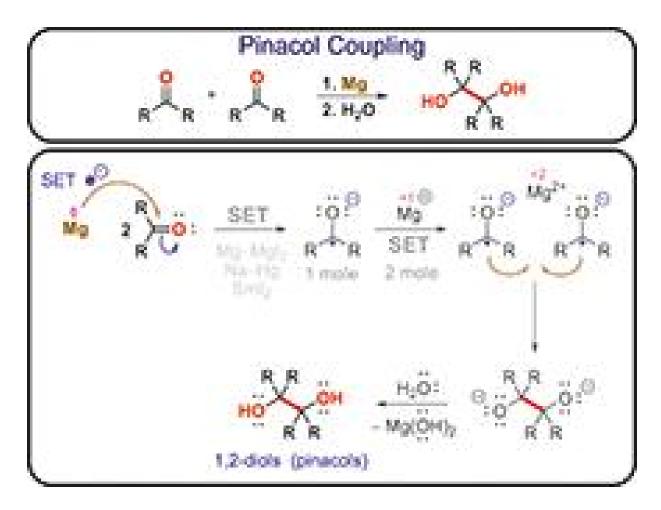


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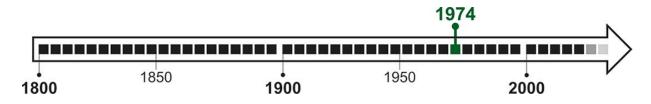


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58 Meerwein-Ponndorf-Verley Reduction

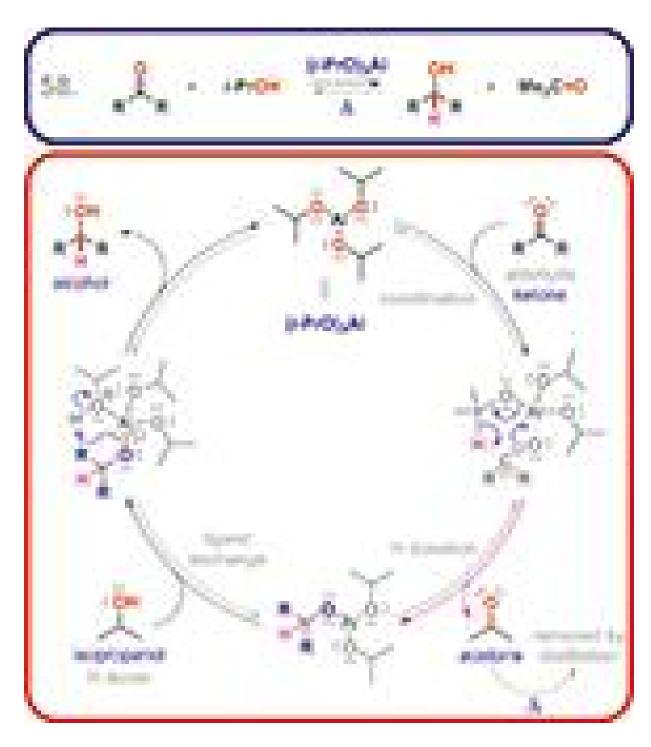


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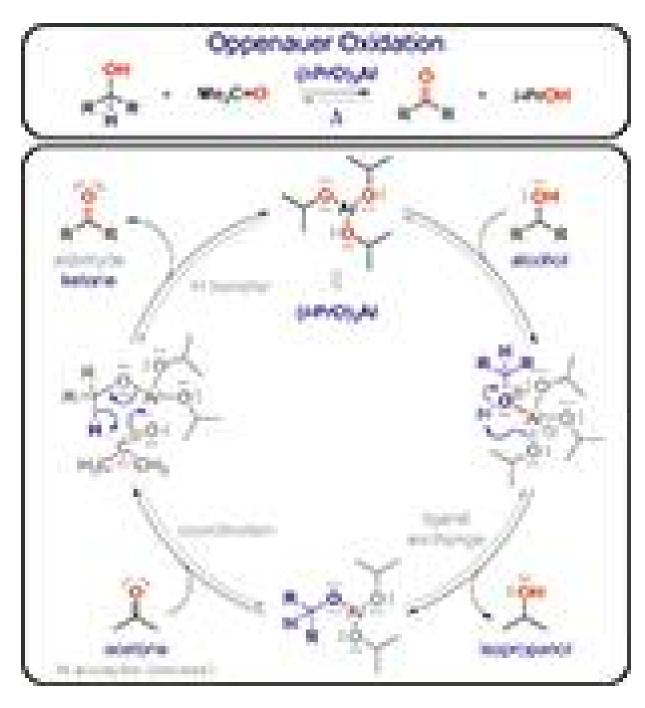


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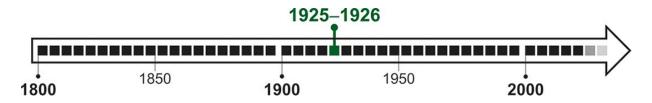


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59 Michael Addition

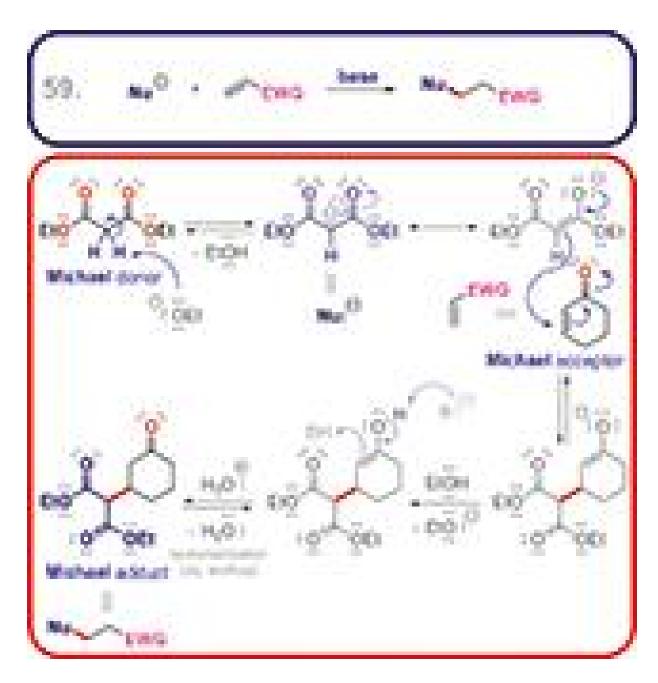


Fig. 59.1: The *Michael addition* mechanism.²¹¹

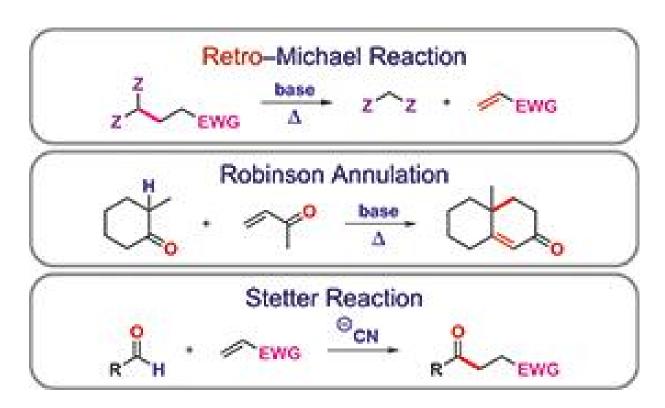


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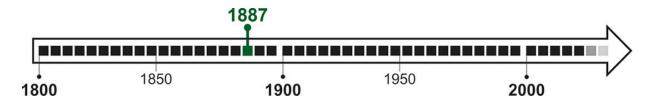


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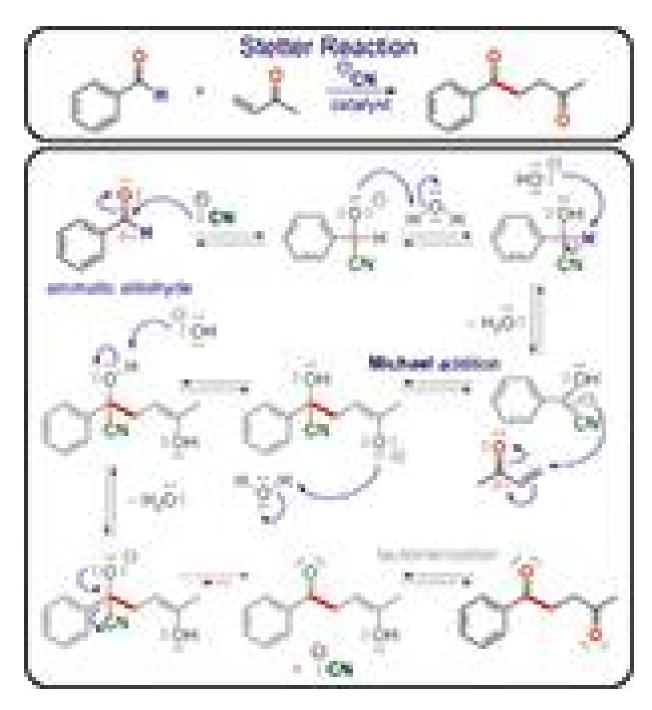


Fig. 59.4: The *Stetter reaction* mechanism (aromatic aldehyde).²¹⁴

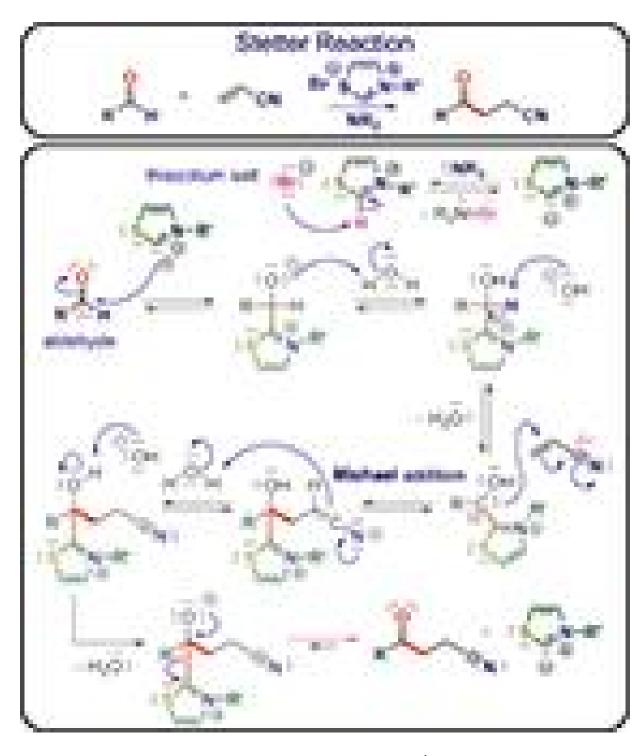


Fig. 59.5: The *Stetter reaction* mechanism (aliphatic aldehyde).²¹⁵

60 Minisci Reaction

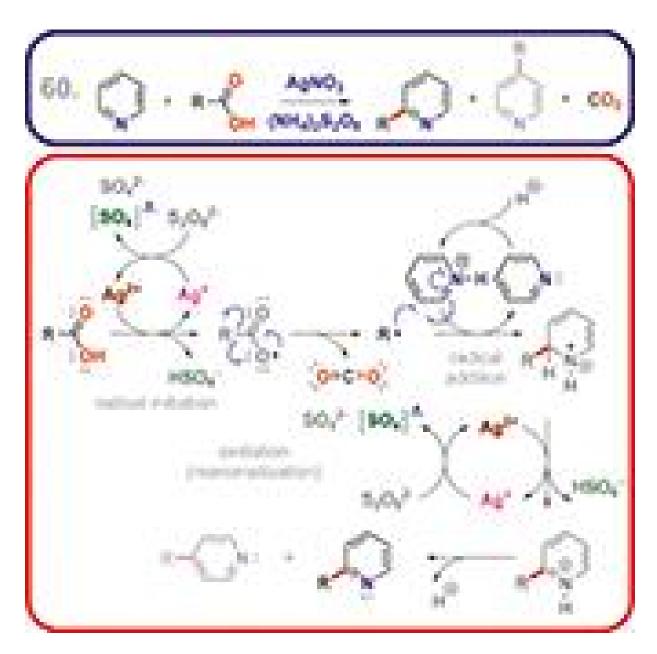


Fig. 60.1: The *Minisci* reaction mechanism.²¹⁶

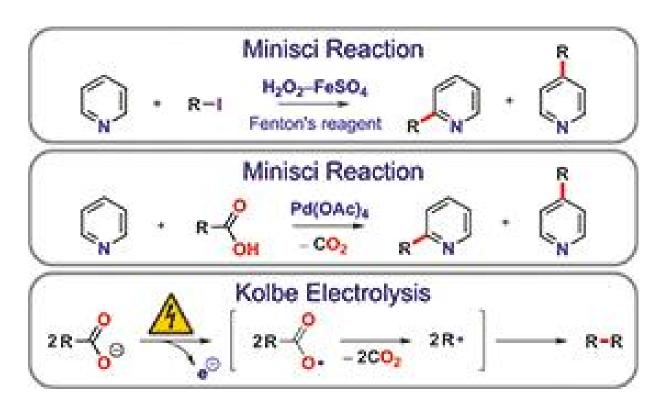


Fig. 60.2: Variations of the *Minisci* reaction.²¹⁷

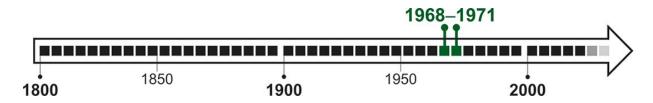


Fig. 60.3: The discovery of the *Minisci* reaction.²¹⁸

61 Mitsunobu Reaction

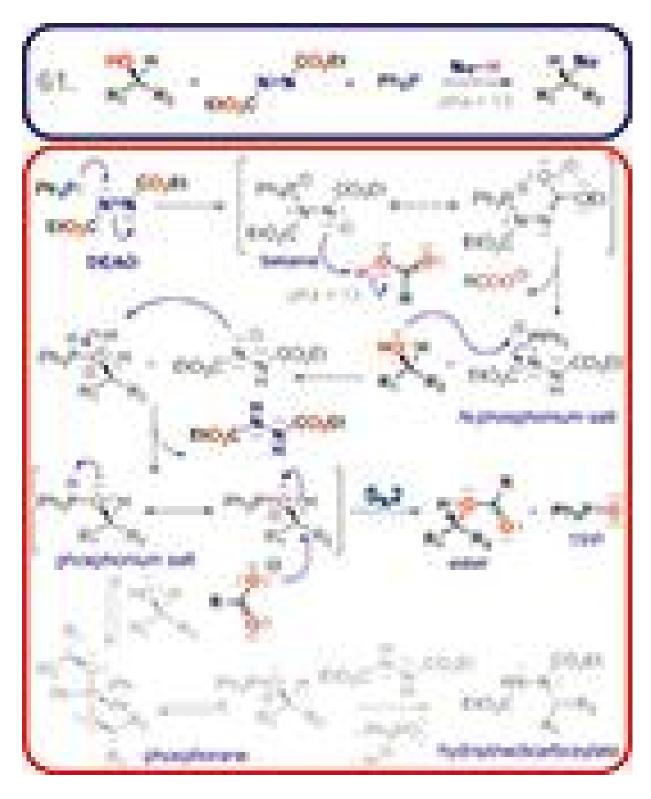


Fig. 61.1: The *Mitsunobu* reaction mechanism.²¹⁹

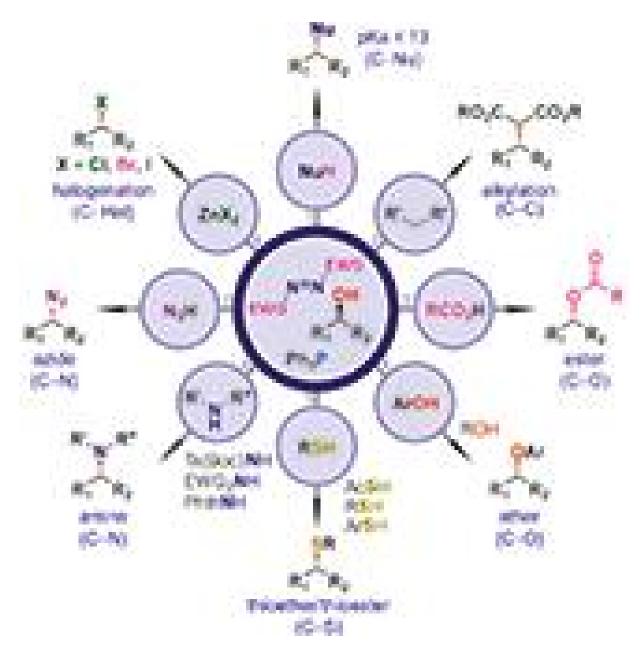


Fig. 61.2: Synthetic versatility of the *Mitsunobu* reaction.²²⁰

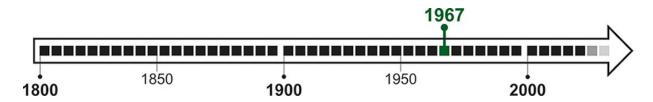


Fig. 61.3: The discovery of the *Mitsunobu* reaction.²²¹

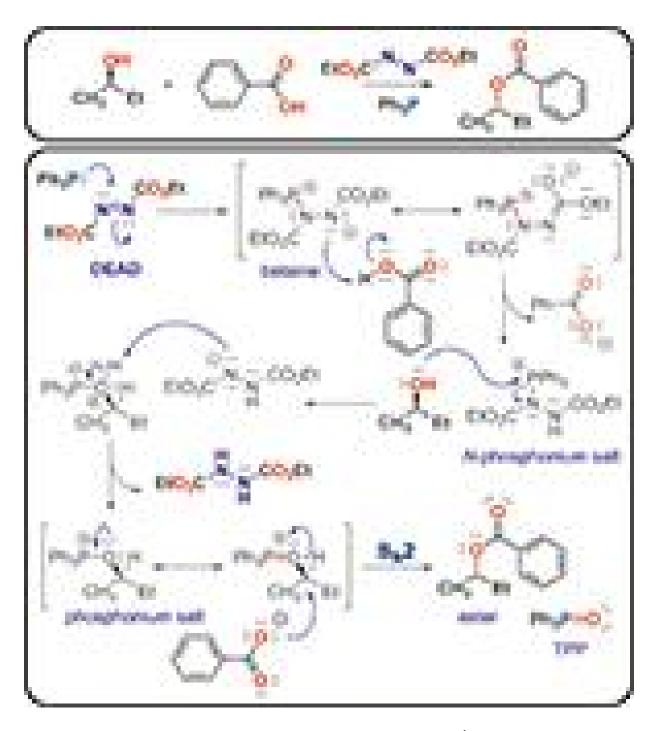


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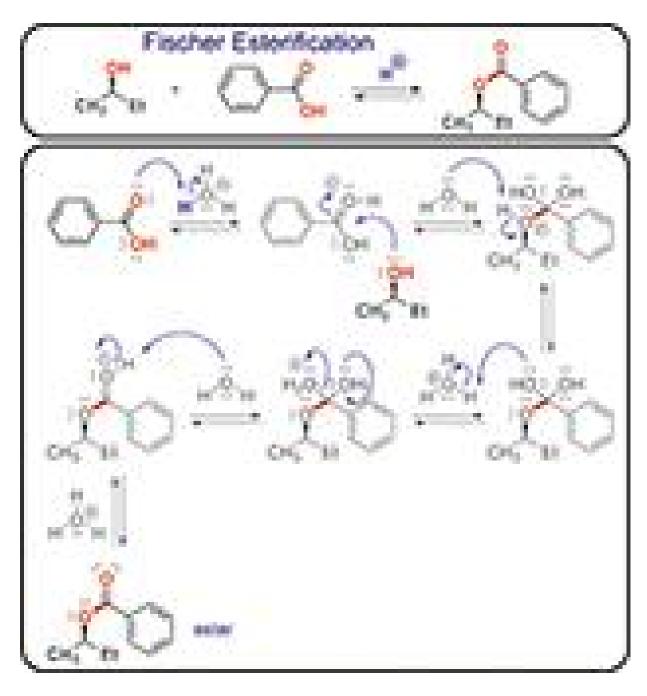


Fig. 61.5: The *Fischer* esterification mechanism.²²³

62 Miyaura Borylation

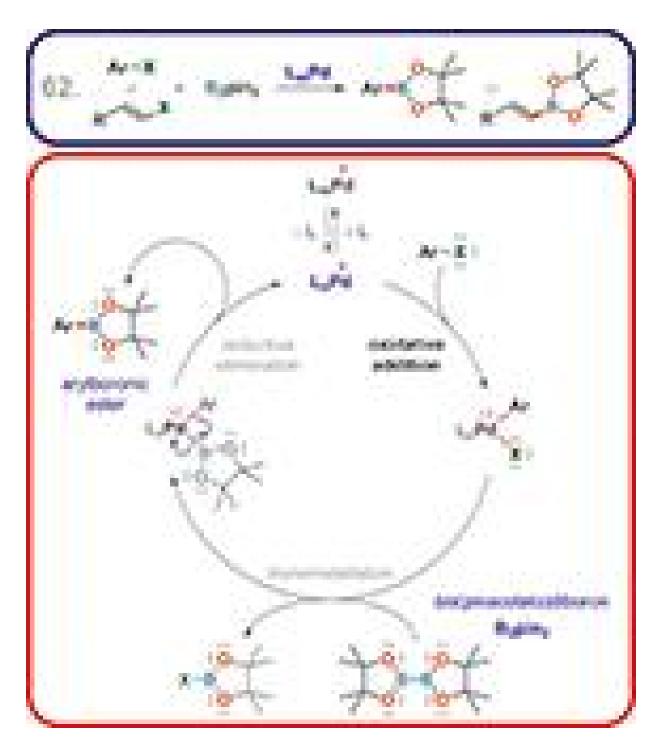


Fig. 62.1: The *Miyaura* borylation mechanism.²²⁴

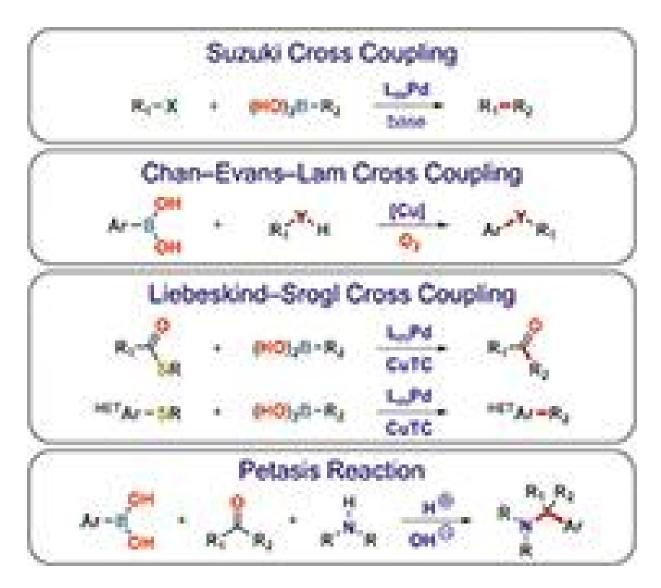


Fig. 62.2: Synthetic application of boronic esters and acids.²²⁵

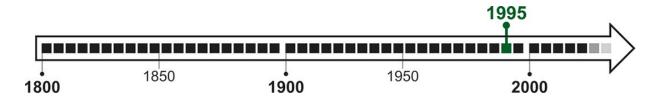


Fig. 62.3: The discovery of the *Miyaura* borylation.²²⁶

63 Mukaiyama RedOx Hydration

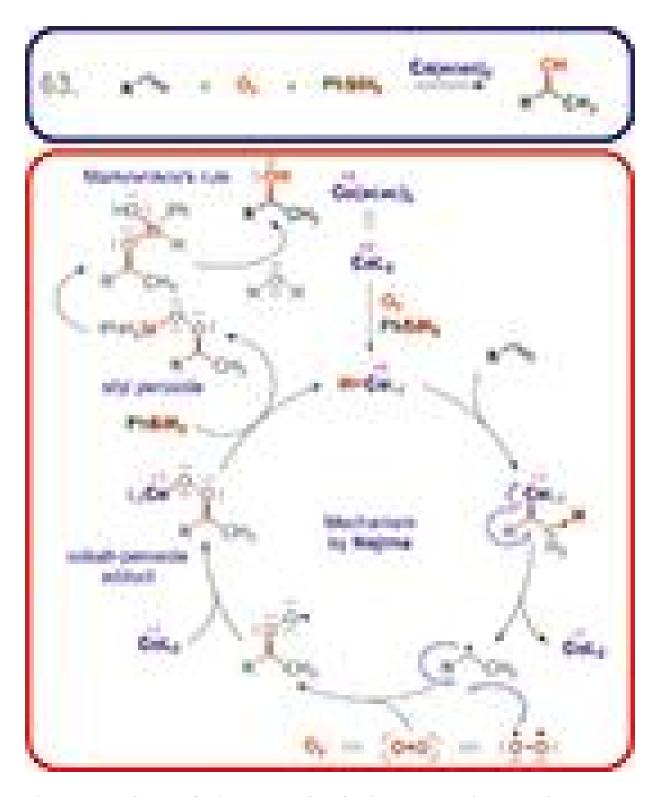


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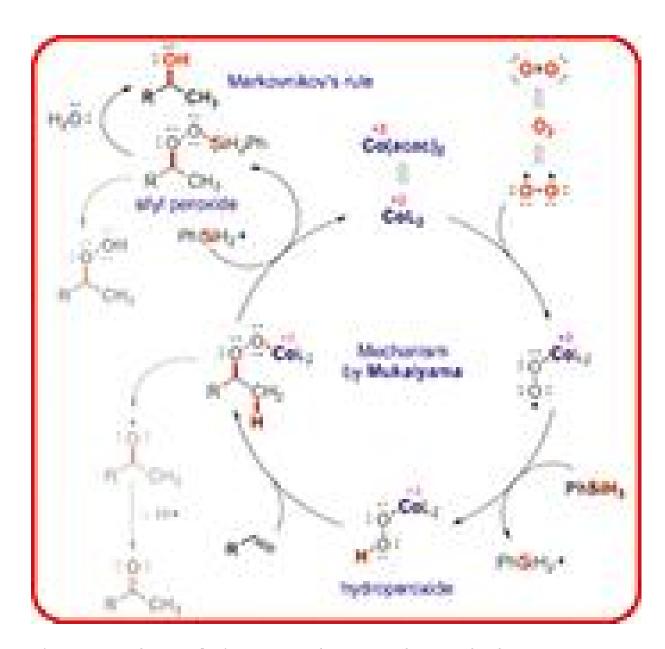


Fig. 63.2: The *Mukaiyama* oxidation–reduction hydration mechanism by **Mukaiyama**.²²⁸

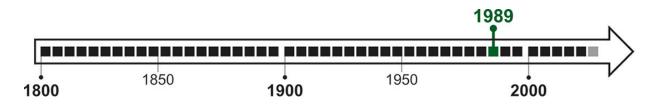


Fig. 63.3: The discovery of the *Mukaiyama oxidation–reduction hydration*.²²⁹

64 Nazarov Cyclization

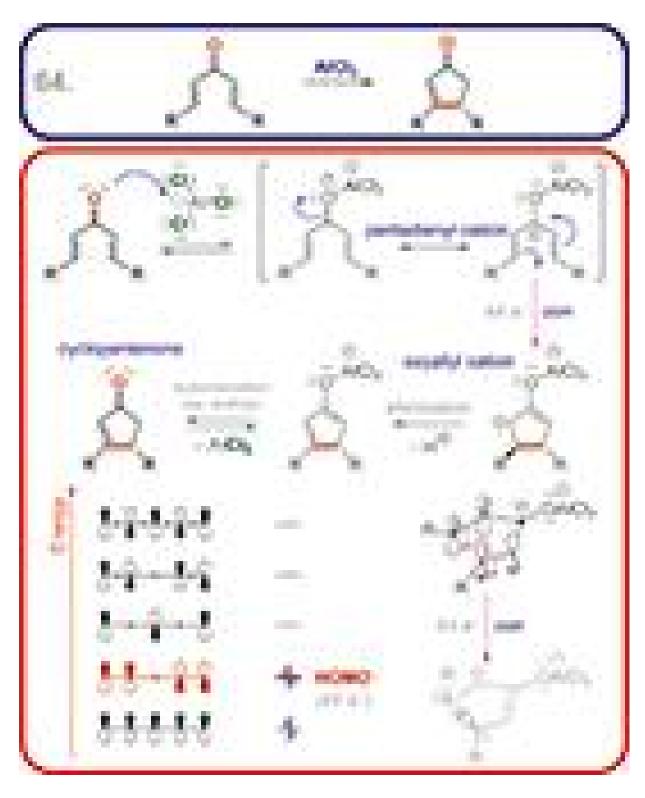


Fig. 64.1: The *Nazarov cyclization* mechanism.²³⁰

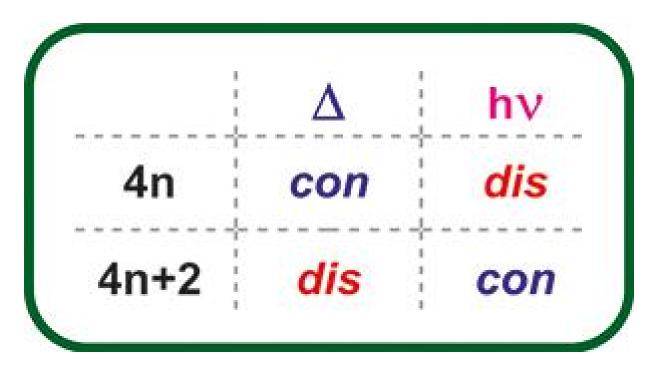


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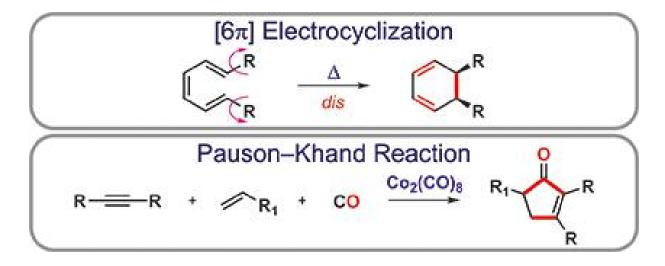


Fig. 64.3: Reactions related to the *Nazarov* cyclization.²³²

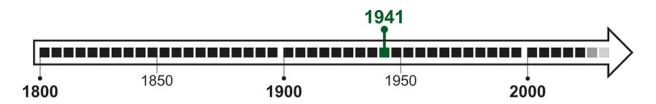


Fig. 64.4: The discovery of the *Nazarov cyclization*.²³³

65 Nef Reaction

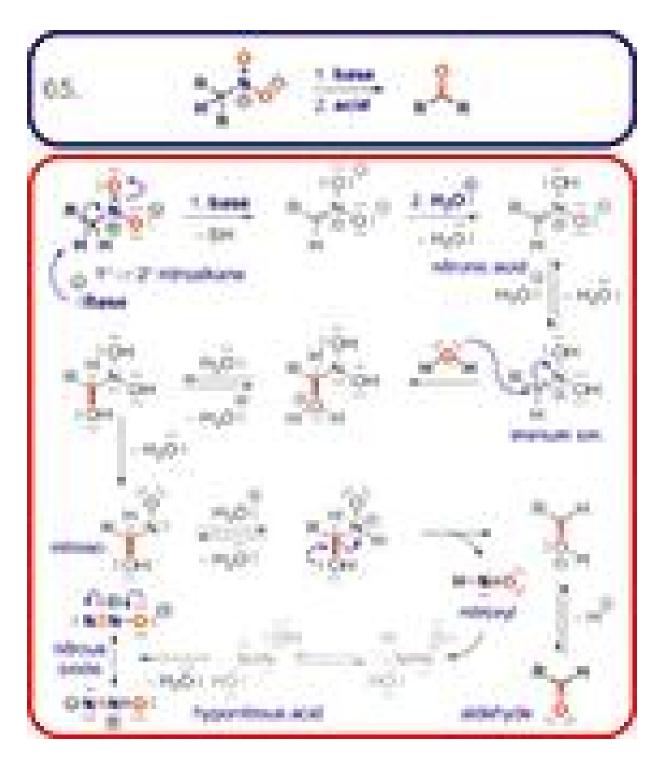


Fig. 65.1: The *Nef* reaction mechanism (base–acid-catalyzed).²³⁴

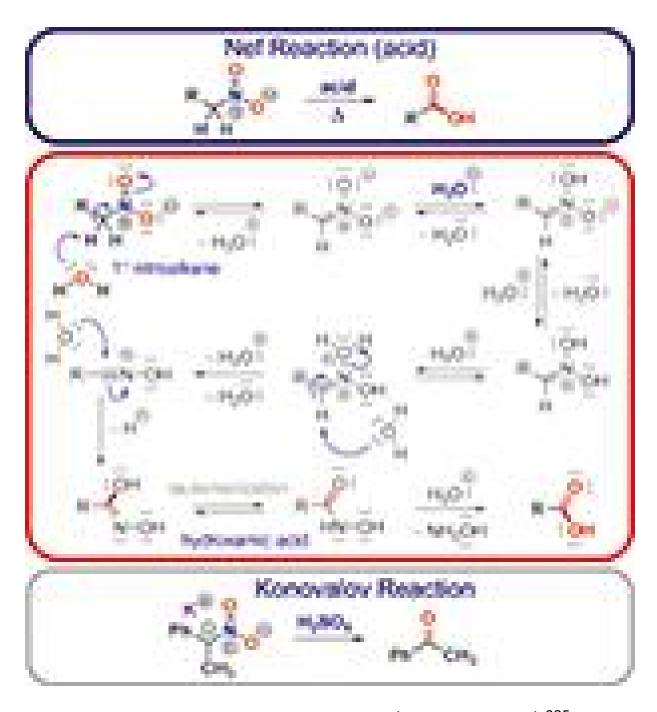


Fig. 65.2: The *Nef reaction* mechanism (acid-catalyzed).²³⁵

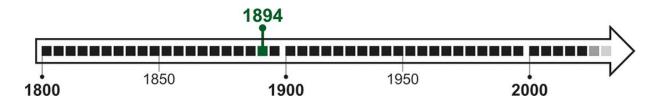


Fig. 65.3: The discovery of the *Nef* reaction.²³⁶

66 Negishi Cross-Coupling

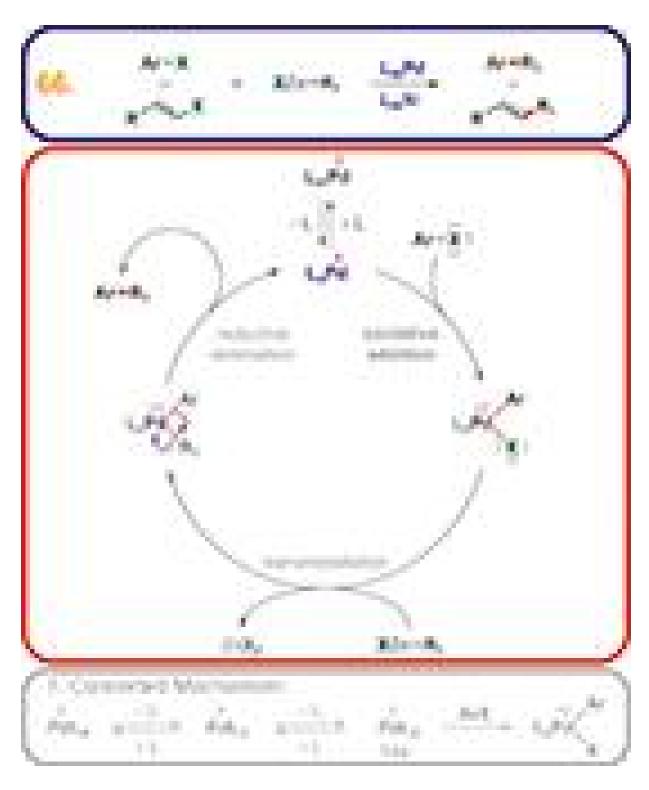


Fig. 66.1: The **Pd**-catalyzed *Negishi cross-coupling* mechanism.²³⁷

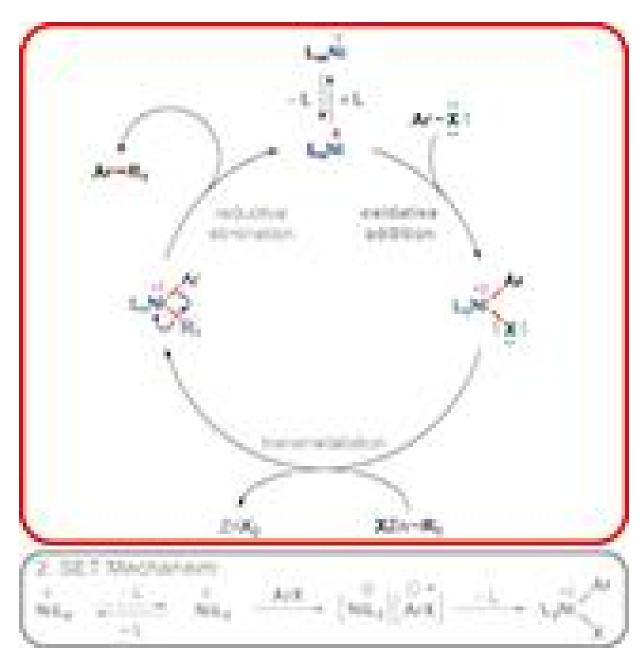


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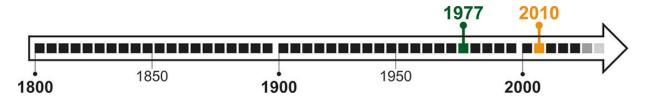


Fig. 66.3: The discovery of the *Negishi* cross-coupling.²³⁹

Norrish Type I and II Reactions

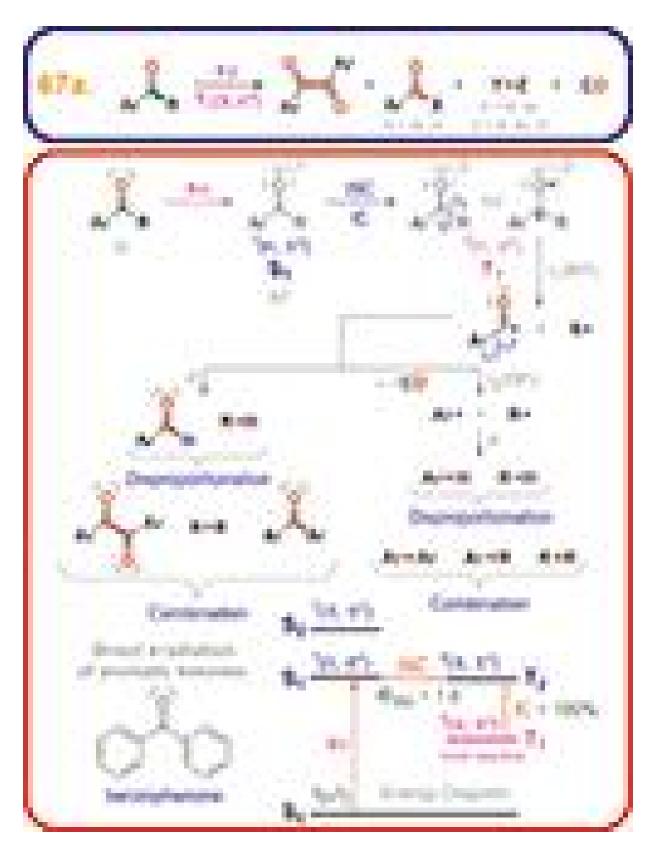


Fig. 67.1: The *Norrish type I reaction* mechanism.²⁴⁰.

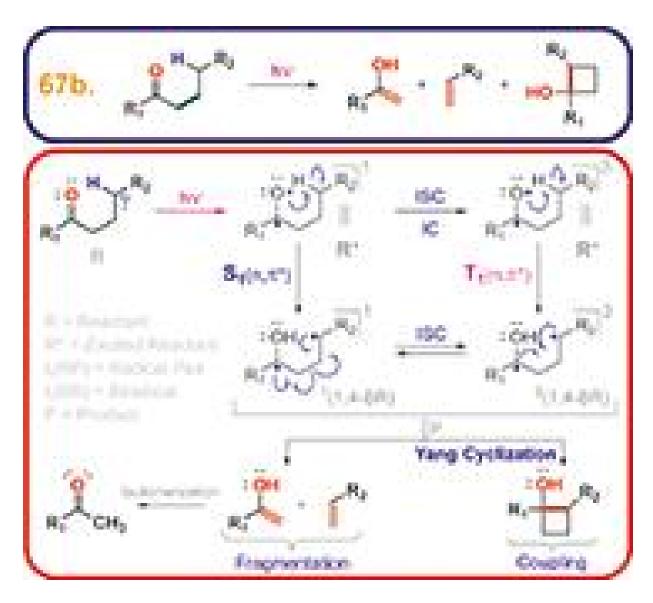


Fig. 67.2: The *Norrish type II* reaction mechanism.²⁴¹

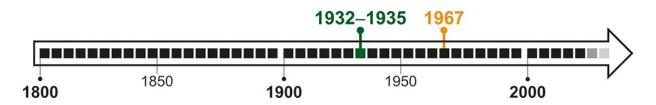


Fig. 67.3: The discovery of the *Norrish fragmentation*.²⁴²

68 Olefin (Alkene) Metathesis

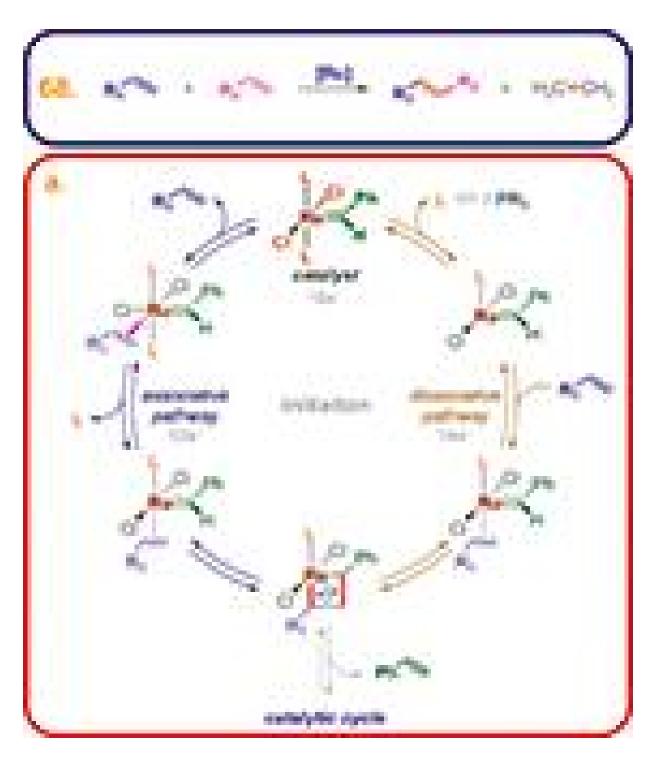


Fig. 68.1: The *olefin (alkene) metathesis* mechanism (initiation).²⁴³

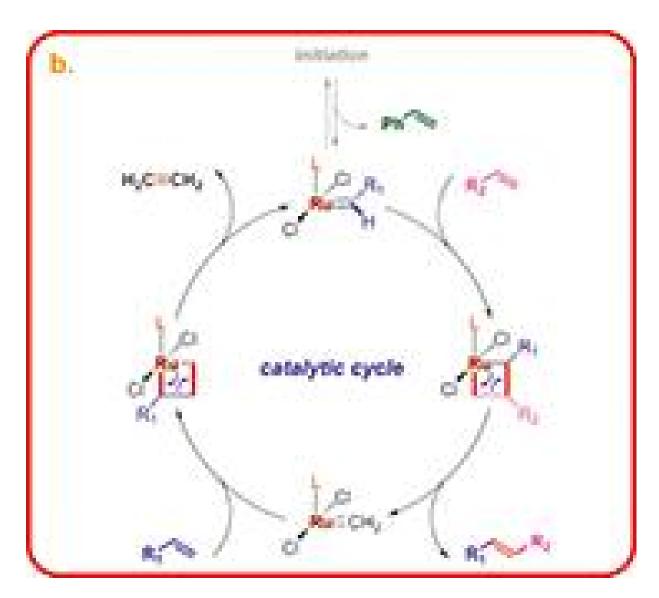


Fig. 68.2: The *olefin (alkene) metathesis* mechanism (catalytic cycle).²⁴⁴

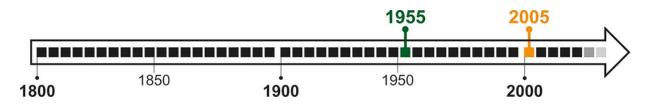


Fig. 68.3: The discovery of the *olefin metathesis*.²⁴⁵

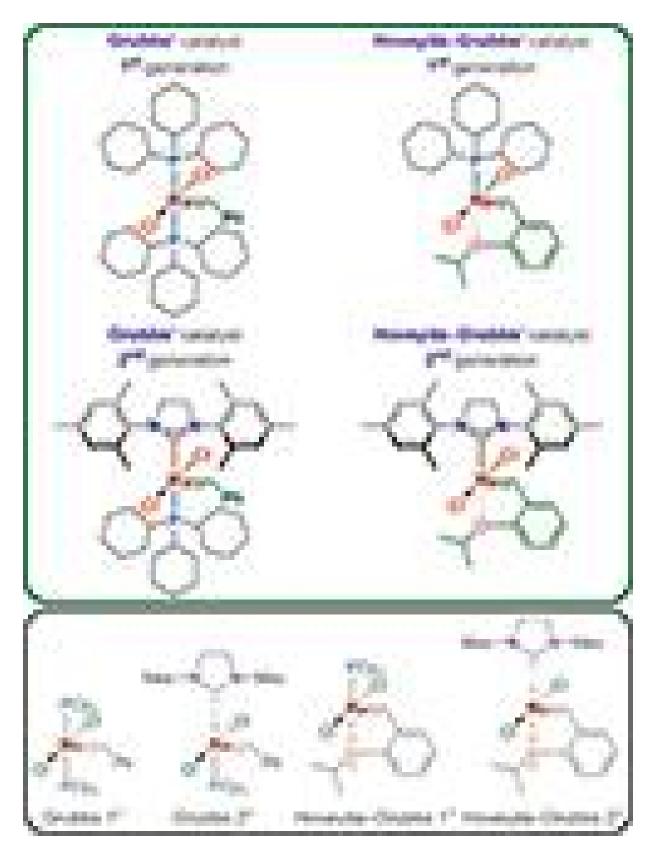


Fig. 68.4: The main *olefin (alkene) metathesis* catalysts.²⁴⁶

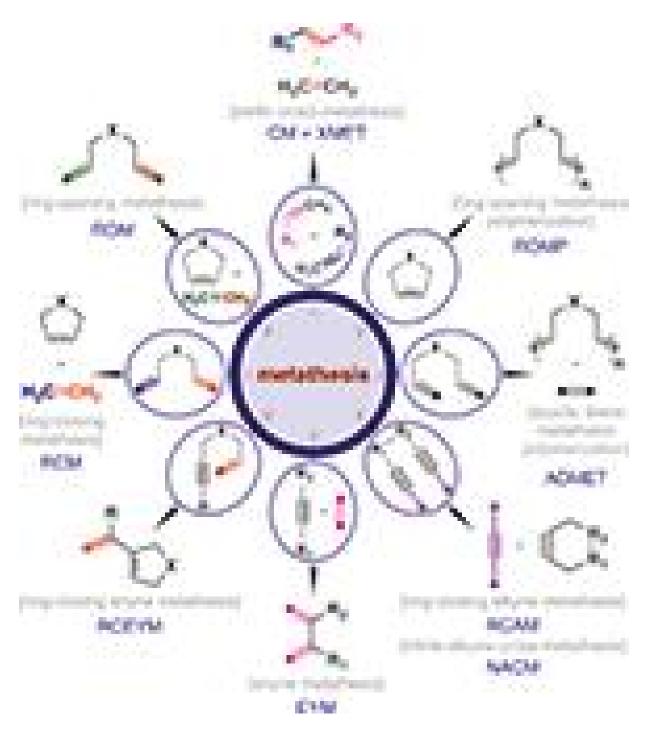


Fig. 68.5: Classification of *metathesis* reactions.²⁴⁷

69 Oppenauer Oxidation

Fig. 69.1: The *Oppenauer* oxidation mechanism.²⁴⁸

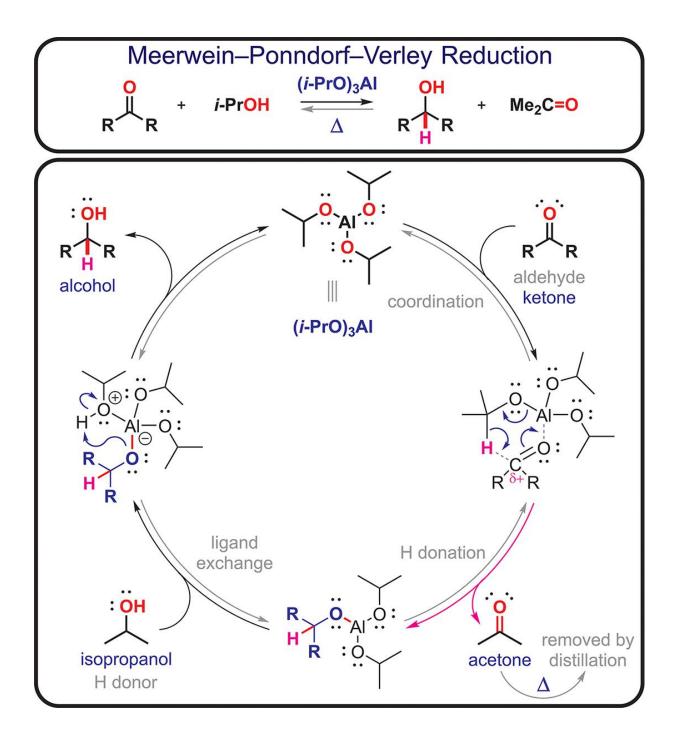


Fig. 69.2: The *Meerwein–Ponndorf–Verley* reaction mechanism.²⁴⁹

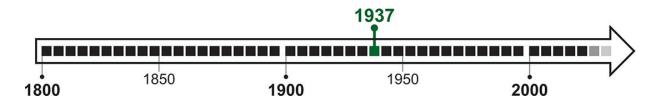


Fig. 69.3: The discovery of the *Oppenauer* oxidation.²⁵⁰

70 Ozonolysis

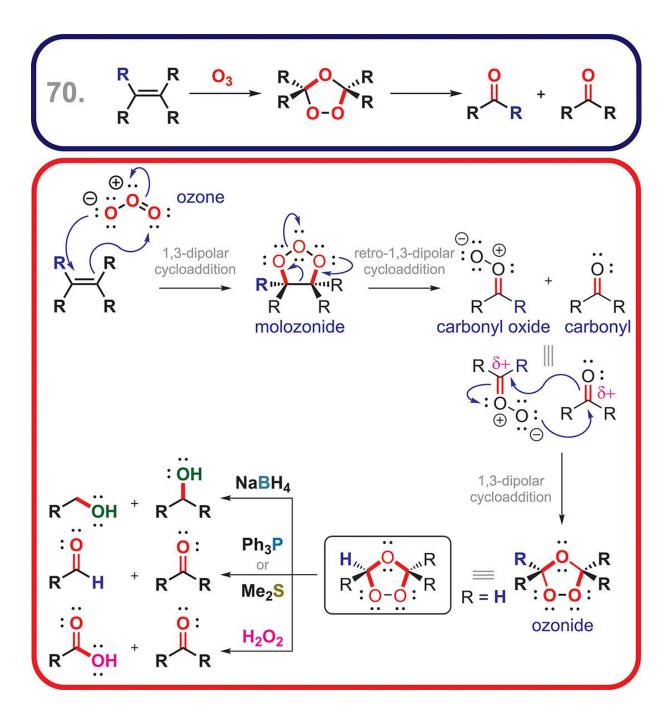


Fig. 70.1: The *ozonolysis* mechanism (the *Criegee* mechanism).²⁵¹

Fig. 70.2: Alternative to the *ozonolysis* reaction conditions.²⁵²

Fig. 70.3: Reactions related to the *ozonolysis*. ²⁵³

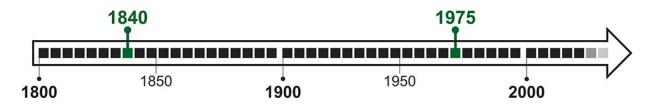


Fig. 70.4: The discovery of the *ozonolysis*. ²⁵⁴

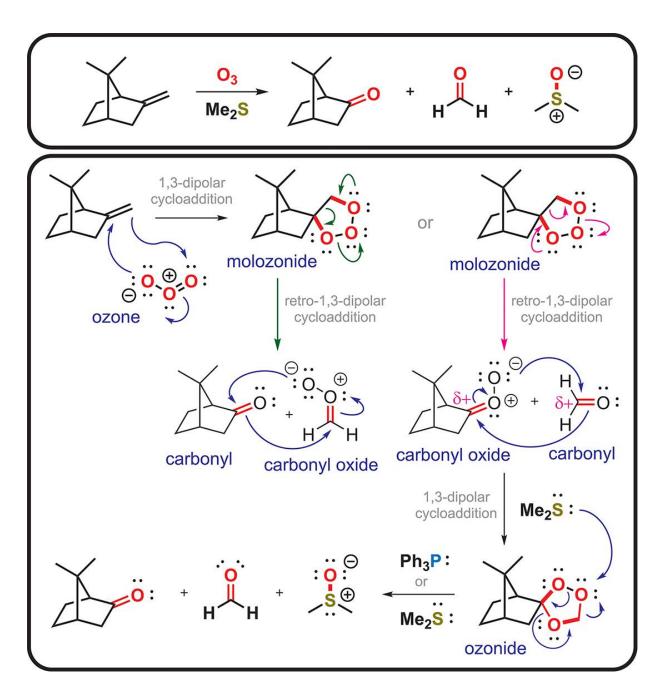


Fig. 70.5: The *ozonolysis* reaction mechanism of (-)- α -fenchene. ²⁵⁵

Fig. 70.6: An anomalous (interrupted) *ozonolysis* reaction mechanism.²⁵⁶

71 Paal-Knorr Syntheses

71a.
$$R_1 \xrightarrow{Q} R_2 \xrightarrow{H^{\oplus}} A$$
 $R_1 \xrightarrow{Q} R_2 \xrightarrow{H^{\odot}} A$ $R_1 \xrightarrow{Q} R_2 \xrightarrow{H^{\odot}} A$ $R_2 \xrightarrow{H^{\odot}} A$ $R_1 \xrightarrow{Q} A$ $R_2 \xrightarrow{H^{\odot}} A$ $R_2 \xrightarrow{H^{\odot}} A$ $R_3 \xrightarrow{Q} A$ $R_4 \xrightarrow{Q} A$

Fig. 71.1: The *Paal–Knorr* furan synthesis mechanism.²⁵⁷

71b.
$$R_1$$
 R_2
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4
 R_2
 R_4
 R_2
 R_4
 R_4
 R_4
 R_4
 R_5
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Fig. 71.2: The *Paal–Knorr* thiophene synthesis mechanism.²⁵⁸

71c.
$$R_1$$
 R_2
 R_3
 R_4
 R_4
 R_4
 R_5
 R_5
 R_5
 R_5
 R_7
 R_8
 R_1
 R_9
 R_9
 R_1
 R_9
 R_9

Fig. 71.3: The *Paal–Knorr* pyrrole synthesis mechanism.²⁵⁹

Fig. 71.4: Related to the *Paal–Knorr* synthesis: the *Gewald* condensation.²⁶⁰

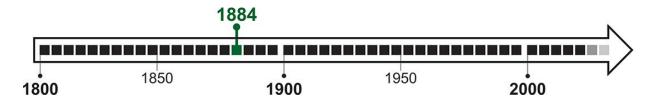


Fig. 71.5: The discovery of the *Paal–Knorr* syntheses.²⁶¹

72 Paternò-Büchi Reaction

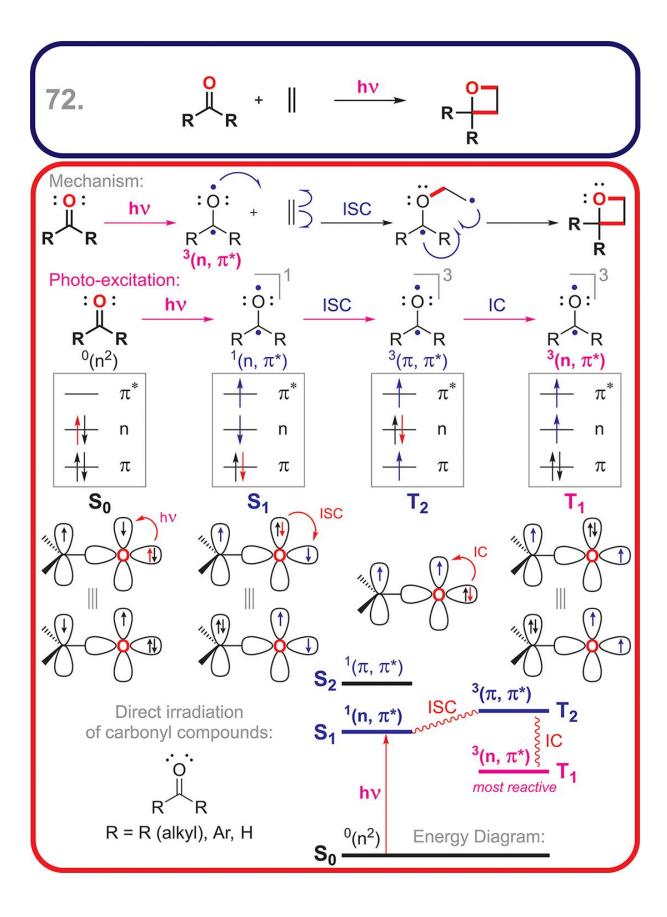


Fig. 72.1: The *Paternò-Büchi* reaction mechanism.²⁶².

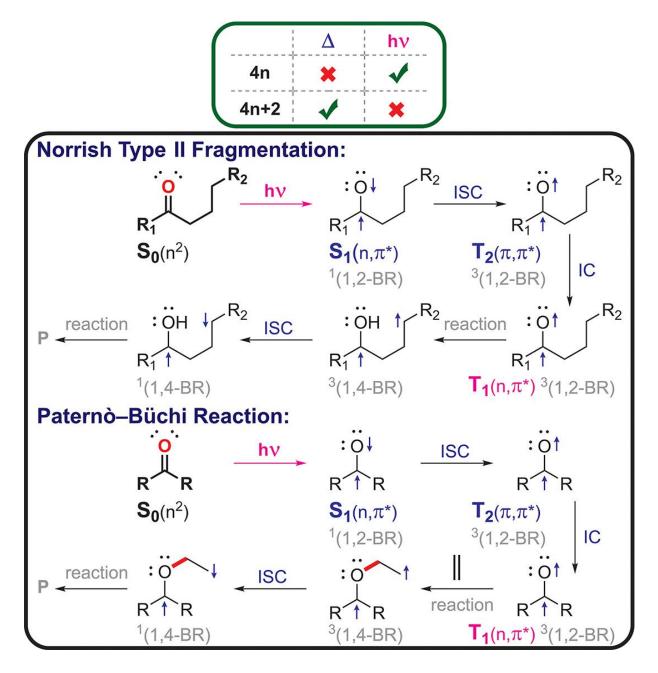


Fig. 72.2: The **Norrish type II** reaction vs the **Paternò-Büchi** reaction mechanism.²⁶³

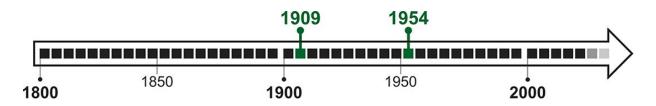


Fig. 72.3: The discovery of the *Paternò-Büchi* reaction.²⁶⁴

73 Pauson-Khand Reaction

73.
$$R_1 = R_2 + R_3 + C_0 \xrightarrow{Co_2(CO)_8} R_3 \xrightarrow{R_1} R_2$$

Fig. 73.1: The *Pauson–Khand* reaction mechanism.²⁶⁵.

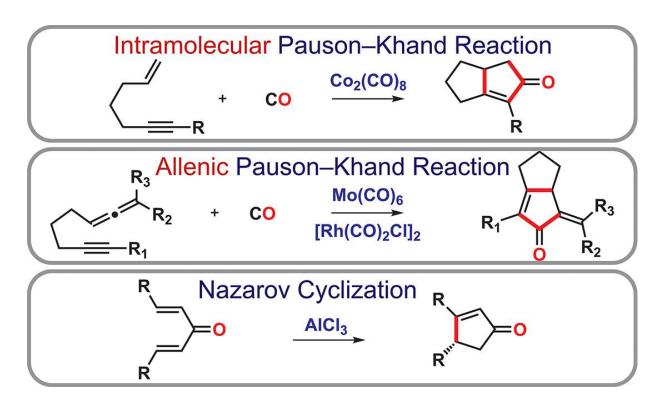


Fig. 73.2: Variations of the *Pauson–Khand* reaction.²⁶⁶

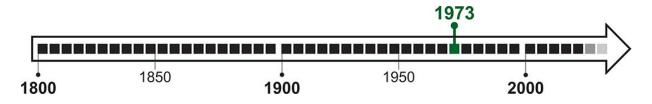


Fig. 73.3: The discovery of the *Pauson–Khand* reaction.²⁶⁷

74 Peptide (Amide) Coupling

Fig. 74.1: The peptide (amide) coupling (DCC) mechanism.²⁶⁸

74b.
$$R_1$$
 OH $+$ R_2 R_3 R -N=C=N-R R_1 R_2 R_3 R -N=C=N-R R_1 R_2 R_3 R -N=C=N-R R_3 R -N-C=N-R R_3 R -N-C=N-R R_3 R -N-C=N-R R_3 R -N-C-N-C-N-R R -N-C-N-C-N-R R -N-C-N-C-N-R R -N-C-N-C-N-C-N-R R -N-C-N-C-N-R R -N-C-N-C-N-C-N-R R -N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N-C-N

Fig. 74.2: The *peptide (amide) coupling* (DCC + HOBt) mechanism.²⁶⁹

Fig. 74.3: The *peptide (amide) coupling* (HBTU) mechanism.²⁷⁰

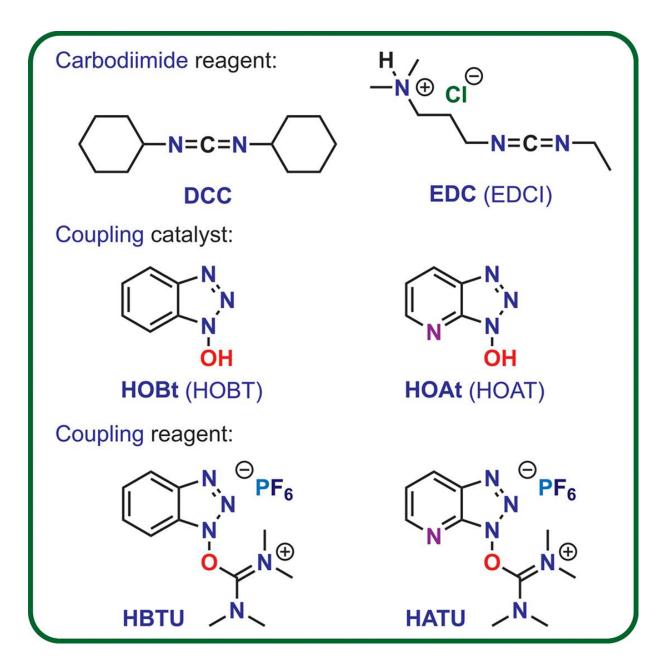


Fig. 74.4: The main *peptide* (*amide*) *coupling* reagents and catalysts.²⁷¹

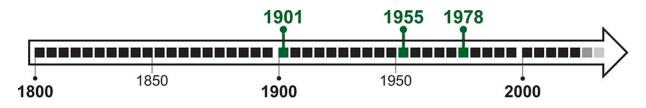


Fig. 74.5: The discovery of the *peptide* (amide) coupling.²⁷²

75 Pictet-Spengler Reaction

Fig. 75.1: The *Pictet–Spengler reaction* mechanism.²⁷³

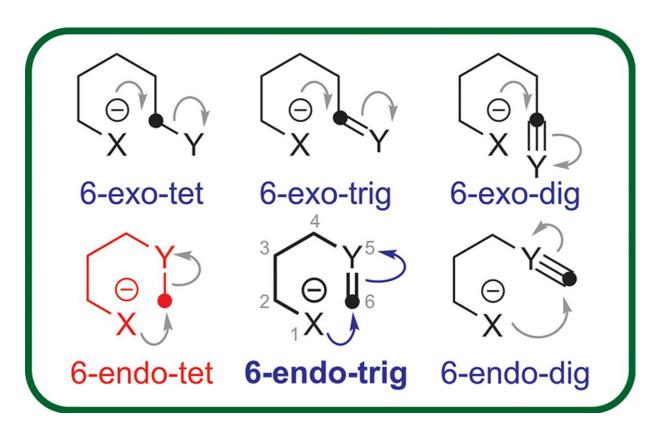


Fig. 75.2: *Baldwin's* rules.²⁷⁴

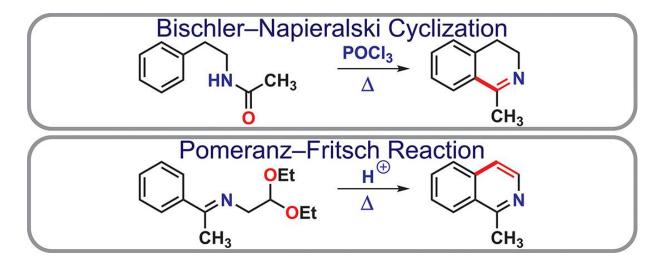


Fig. 75.3: Reactions related to the *Pictet–Spengler reaction*.²⁷⁵

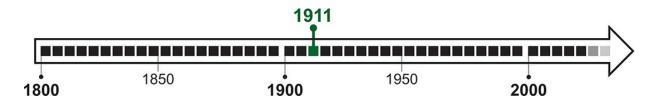


Fig. 75.4: The discovery of the *Pictet–Spengler reaction*.²⁷⁶

Fig. 75.5: The *Bischler–Napieralski* cyclization mechanism of *N*-phenethylacetamide.²⁷⁷

OEt
$$H_3O^{\oplus}$$
OEt H_3O^{\oplus}
OET

Fig. 75.6: The *Pomeranz–Fritsch* reaction mechanism.²⁷⁸

76 Pinacol-Pinacolone Rearrangement

Fig. 76.1: The *pinacol-pinacolone rearrangement* mechanism.²⁷⁹

Fig. 76.2: The semi-pinacol rearrangement mechanism.²⁸⁰

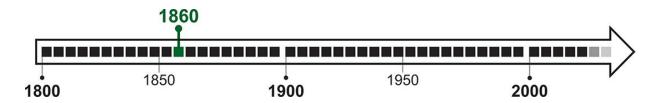


Fig. 76.3: The discovery of the *pinacol–pinacolone* rearrangement.²⁸¹

77 Polonovski Reaction

Fig. 77.1: The *Polonovski reaction* mechanism.²⁸²

Polonovski–Potier Reaction
$$R_1 \xrightarrow{N} R_3 \xrightarrow{m\text{-CPBA}} R_1 \xrightarrow{N} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} R_3$$

$$R_1 \xrightarrow{N} R_2 \xrightarrow{m\text{-CPBA}} R_1 \xrightarrow{N} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} R_3 \xrightarrow{R_2 \oplus R_3} R_2$$

$$R_1 \xrightarrow{N} R_2 \xrightarrow{R_2 \oplus R_3} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} R_3 \xrightarrow{N} R_3 \xrightarrow{N} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} R_3 \xrightarrow{N} R_3 \xrightarrow{N} R_2 \xrightarrow{N} R_3 \xrightarrow{N} R_$$

Fig. 77.2: The *Polonovski–Potier* reaction mechanism.²⁸³

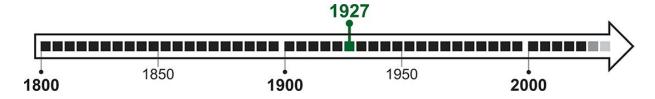


Fig. 77.3: The discovery of the *Polonovski* reaction.²⁸⁴

78 Prilezhaev Epoxidation

Fig. 78.1: The *Prilezhaev* epoxidation mechanism.²⁸⁵

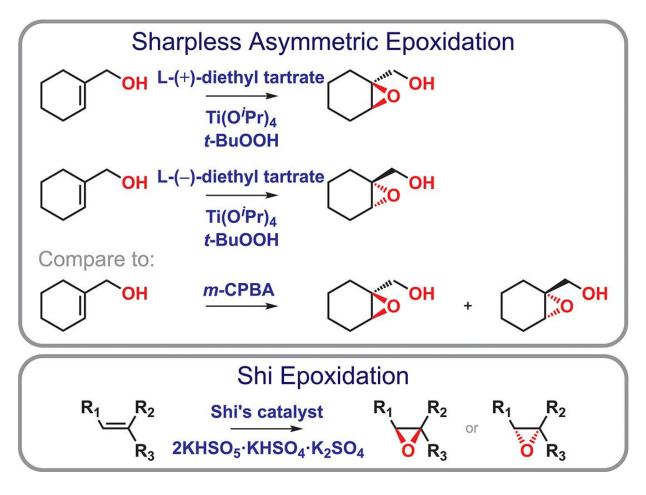


Fig. 78.2: Reactions related to the *Prilezhaev epoxidation*.²⁸⁶

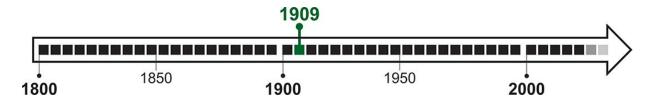


Fig. 78.3: The discovery of the *Prilezhaev* epoxidation.²⁸⁷

79 Prins Reaction

79
$$R_1$$
 R_2 R_1 R_2 R

Fig. 79.1: The *Prins reaction* mechanism.²⁸⁸

Aza-Prins Reaction

$$R_1$$
 R_2
 R_1
 R_2
 R_1

Fig. 79.2: The aza-Prins reaction mechanism.²⁸⁹

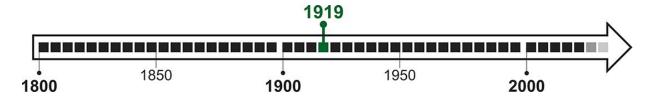


Fig. 79.3: The discovery of the *Prins* reaction.²⁹⁰

80 Pummerer Rearrangement

80.
$$R_1$$
 R_2 R_2 R_3 R_4 R_5 R_5 R_6 R_7 R_8 R_8 R_8 R_8 R_9 R_9 R_1 R_9 R_1 R_9 R_1 R_2 R_1

Fig. 80.1: The Pummerer rearrangement mechanism.²⁹¹

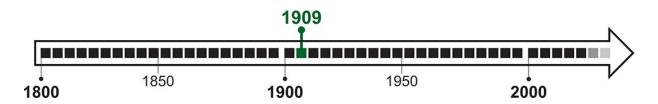


Fig. 80.2: The discovery of the *Pummerer* rearrangement.²⁹²

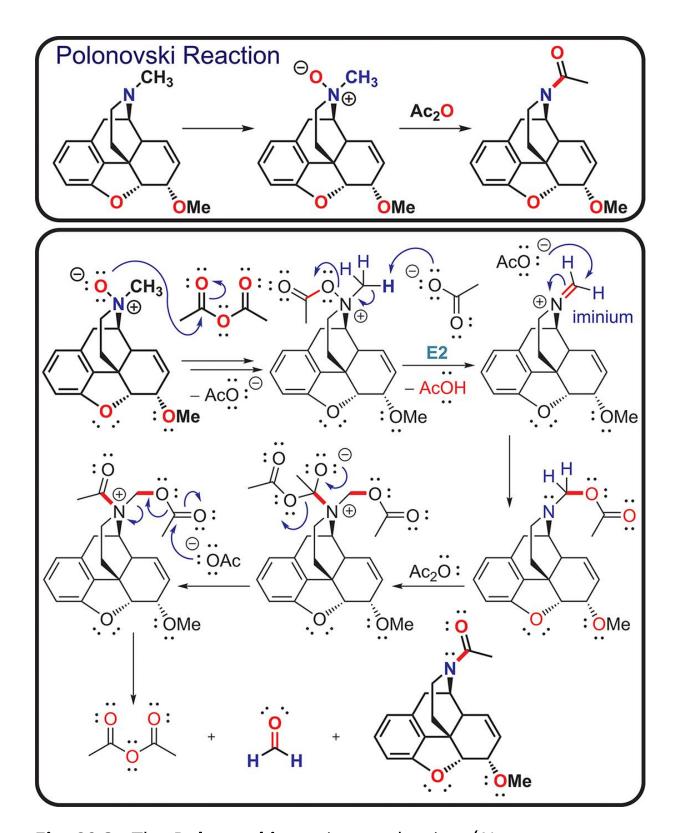


Fig. 80.3: The *Polonovski* reaction mechanism (*N*-demethylation).²⁹³

81 Ramberg-Bäcklund Rearrangement

Fig. 81.1: The *Ramberg-Bäcklund* rearrangement mechanism.²⁹⁴

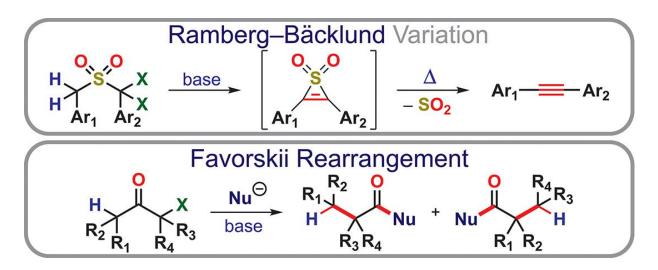


Fig. 81.2: Reactions related to the *Ramberg-Bäcklund* rearrangement.²⁹⁵

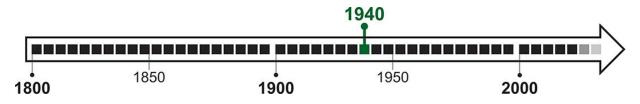


Fig. 81.3: The discovery of the *Ramberg-Bäcklund* rearrangement.²⁹⁶

82 Reformatsky Reaction

Fig. 82.1: The *Reformatsky reaction* mechanism.²⁹⁷

Blaise Reaction

$$R_1 \leftarrow CO_2Et$$
 $R_1 \leftarrow CO_2Et$
 $R_1 \leftarrow CO_2E$

Fig. 82.2: The *Blaise* reaction mechanism.²⁹⁸

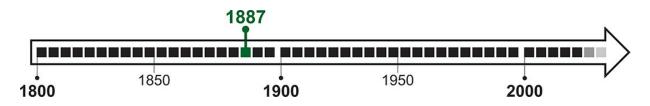


Fig. 82.3: The discovery of the *Reformatsky* reaction.²⁹⁹

83 Robinson Annulation

Fig. 83.1: The *Robinson* annulation mechanism.³⁰⁰

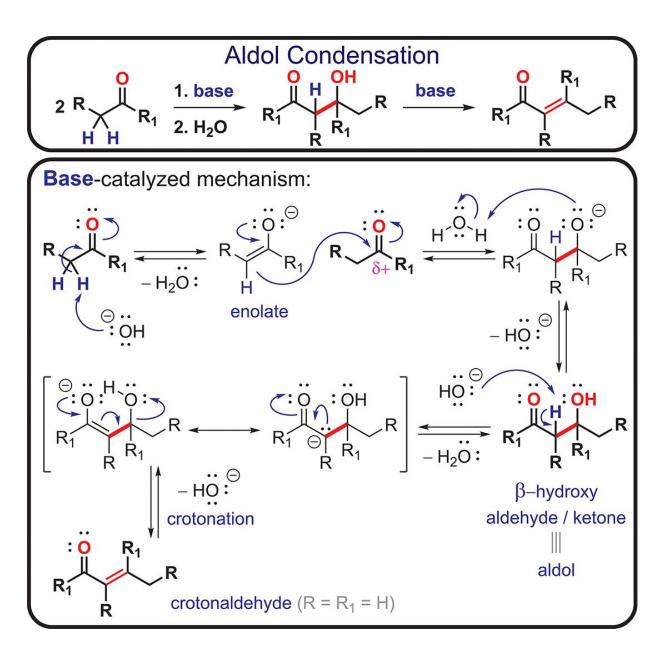


Fig. 83.2: The aldol condensation mechanism. 301

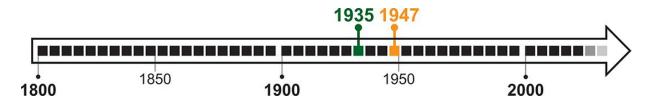


Fig. 83.3: The discovery of the *Robinson* annulation.³⁰²

84 Shapiro Reaction

84.
$$R_1$$
 R_2 R_3 R_4 R_5 R_5

Fig. 84.1: The *Shapiro* reaction mechanism.³⁰³

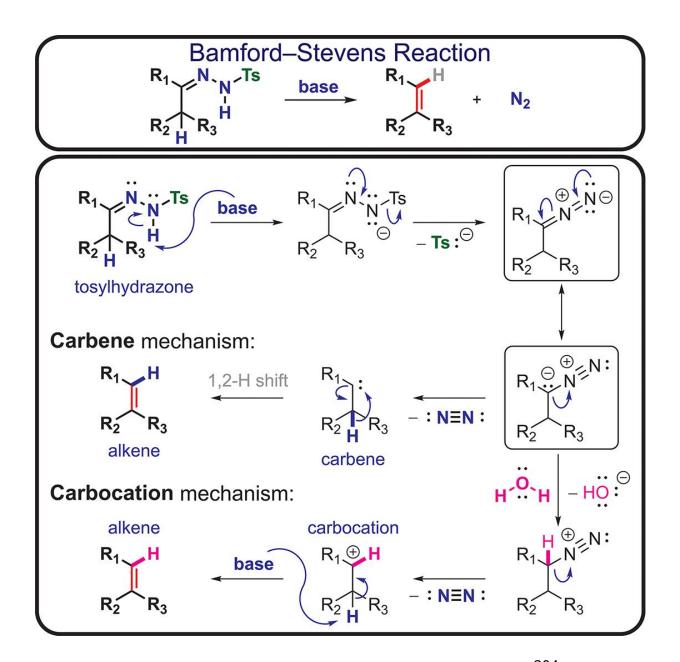


Fig. 84.2: The *Bamford–Stevens* reaction mechanism.³⁰⁴

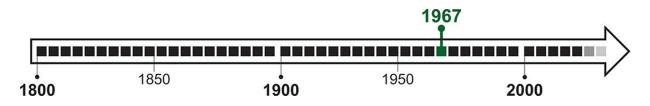


Fig. 84.3: The discovery of the *Shapiro* reaction.³⁰⁵

85 Sonogashira Cross-Coupling

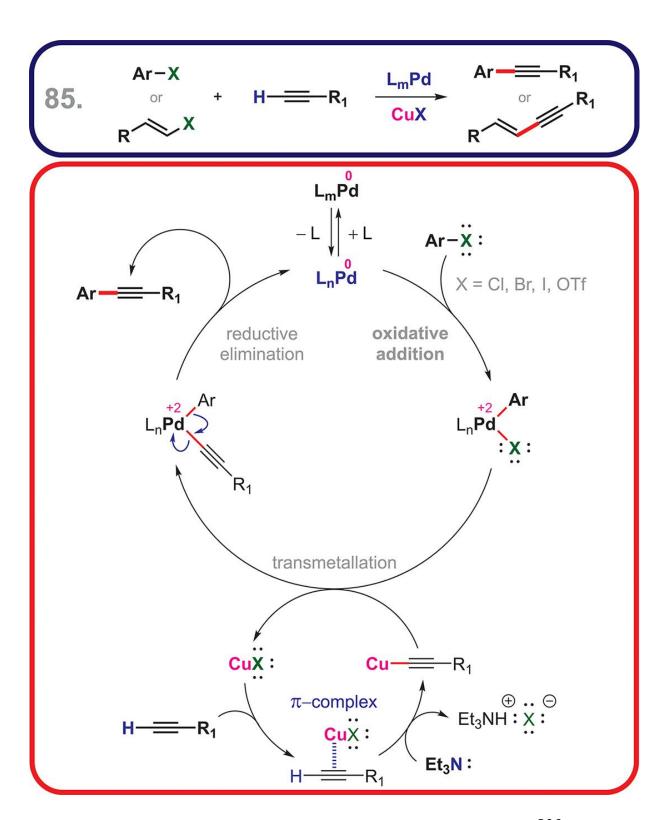


Fig. 85.1: The *Sonogashira* cross-coupling mechanism.³⁰⁶

Fig. 85.2: Reactions related to the *Sonogashira* cross-coupling.³⁰⁷

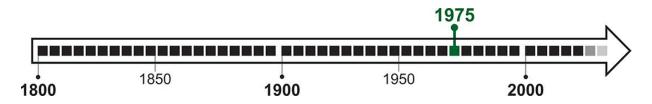


Fig. 85.3: The discovery of the *Sonogashira* cross-coupling.³⁰⁸

86 Staudinger Reaction

Fig. 86.1: The *Staudinger* reaction mechanism.³⁰⁹

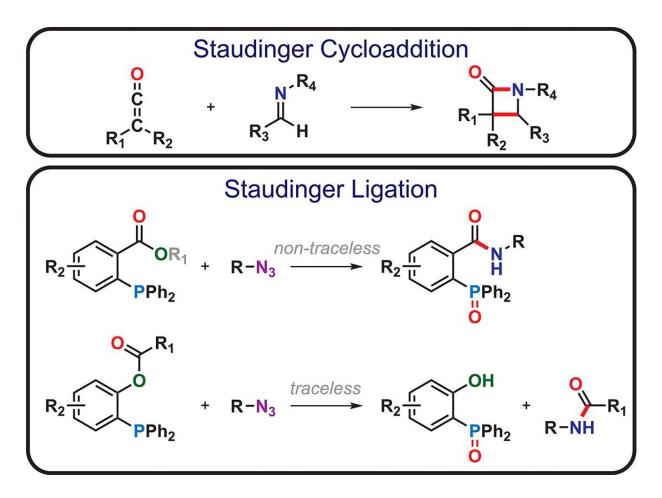


Fig. 86.2: The *Staudinger* cycloaddition and *ligation*.³¹⁰

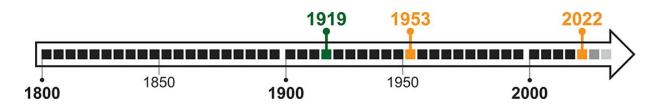


Fig. 86.3: The discovery of the *Staudinger* reaction.³¹¹

Fig. 86.4: The non-traceless Staudinger ligation mechanism. 312

Fig. 86.5: The *traceless Staudinger ligation* mechanism.³¹³

87 Steglich Esterification

87a.
$$R_1$$
 OH + R_2 -OH DCC DMAP R_1 O' R_2

$$R_1$$
 OH + R_2 -OH DCC DMAP R_1 O' R_2

$$R_1$$
 OH DMAP R_1 O' R_2

$$R_1$$
 O' R_2

$$R_2$$
 OH DMAP R_1 O' R_2

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 OH DMAP R_1 O' R_2

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 OH DMAP R_1 O' R_2

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 OH DMAP R_1 O' R_2

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Fig. 87.1: The *Steglich esterification* mechanism (DCC + DMAP).³¹⁴.

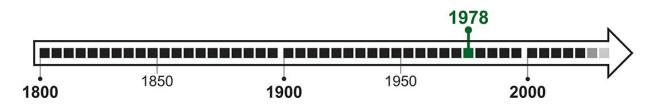


Fig. 87.2: The discovery of the *Steglich* esterification.³¹⁵.

Fig. 87.3: The *Steglich esterification* mechanism (DCC + HOBt + DMAP).³¹⁶.

88 Stille Cross-Coupling

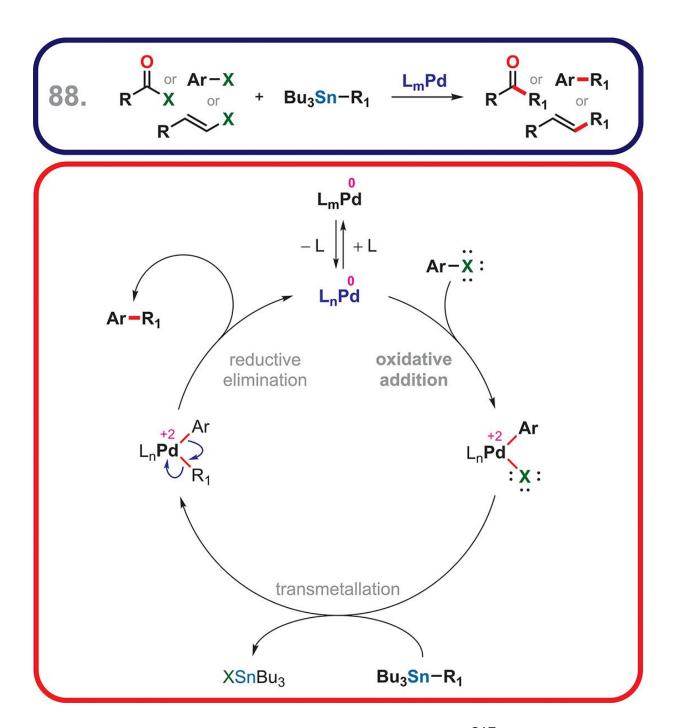


Fig. 88.1: The *Stille cross-coupling* mechanism.³¹⁷

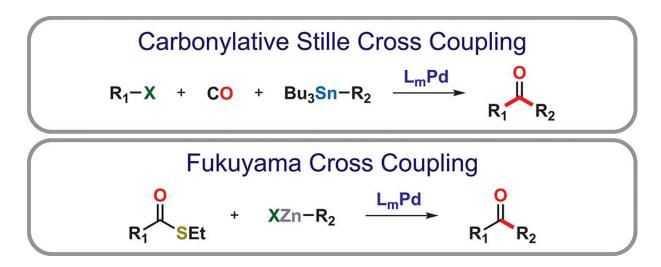


Fig. 88.2: Reactions related to the *Stille* cross-coupling.³¹⁸

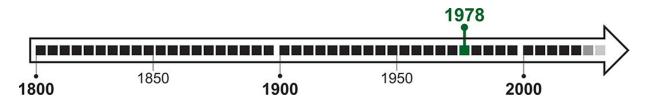
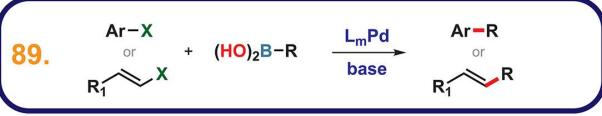


Fig. 88.3: The discovery of the *Stille* cross-coupling.³¹⁹

89 Suzuki Cross-Coupling



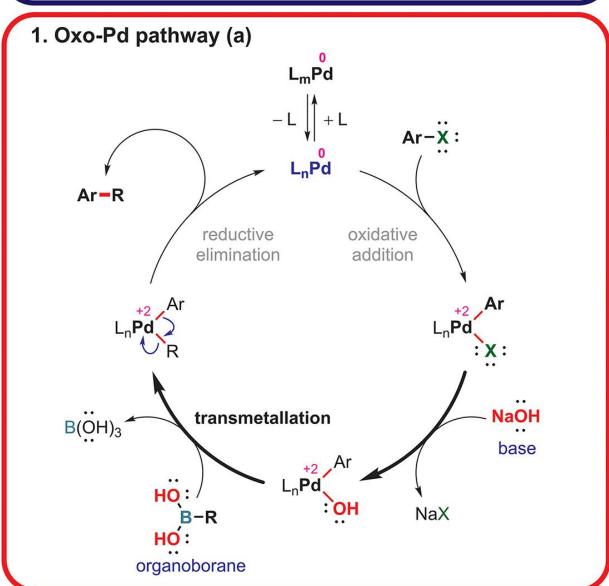


Fig. 89.1: The *Suzuki cross-coupling* mechanism (oxo-**Pd** pathway (a)).³²⁰

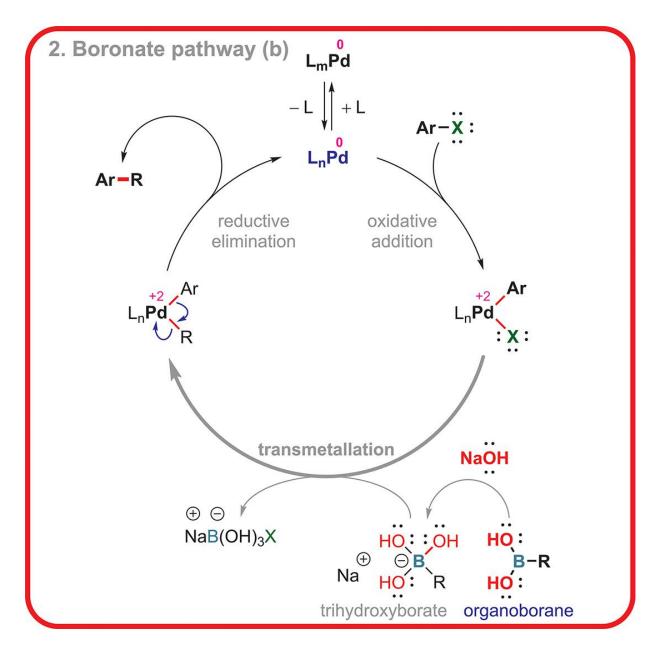


Fig. 89.2: The *Suzuki cross-coupling* mechanism (boronate pathway (b)).³²¹

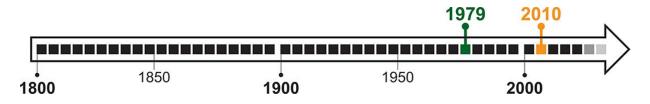


Fig. 89.3: The discovery of the *Suzuki* cross-coupling.³²²

Fig. 89.4: The *Suzuki cross-coupling* mechanism catalyzed by $Pd(dppf)Cl_2$. 323

Fig. 89.5: The *Suzuki* cross-coupling mechanism catalyzed by $Pd(PPh_3)_4$. 324

90 Swern Oxidation

Fig. 90.1: The *Swern* oxidation mechanism.³²⁵

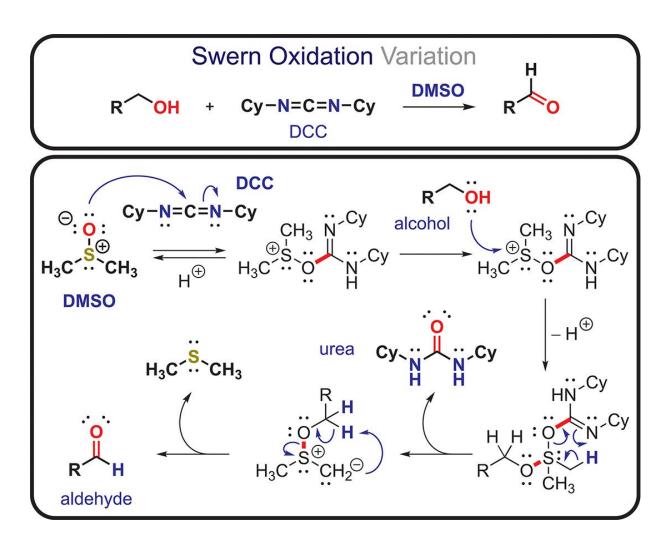


Fig. 90.2: The *Swern oxidation* variation mechanism (DCC + DMSO).³²⁶

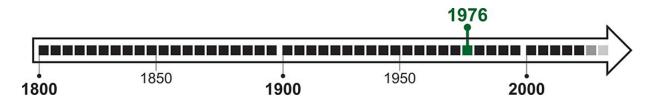


Fig. 90.3: The discovery of the *Swern* oxidation.³²⁷

91 Ugi Reaction

91.
$$R_1$$
 R_2 R_3 NH_2 R_4 R_4 R_4 R_4 R_5 R_6 R_7 R_8 R_9 R_9

Fig. 91.1: The *Ugi* reaction mechanism.³²⁸

Fig. 91.2: The *Passerini* reaction mechanism.³²⁹

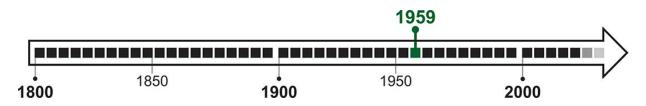


Fig. 91.3: The discovery of the *Ugi* reaction.³³⁰

92 Ullmann Aryl-Aryl Coupling

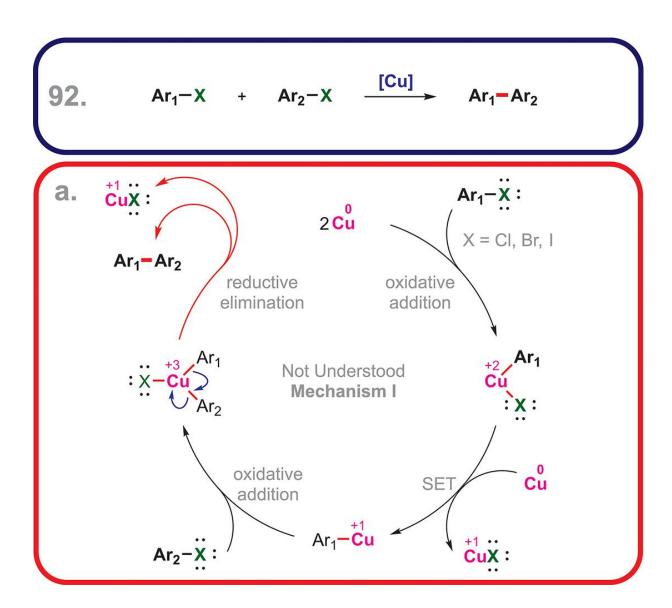


Fig. 92.1: The *Ullmann* aryl-aryl coupling mechanism I.³³¹

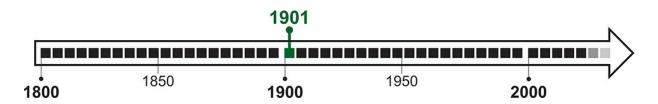


Fig. 92.2: The discovery of the *Ullmann* aryl-aryl coupling.³³²

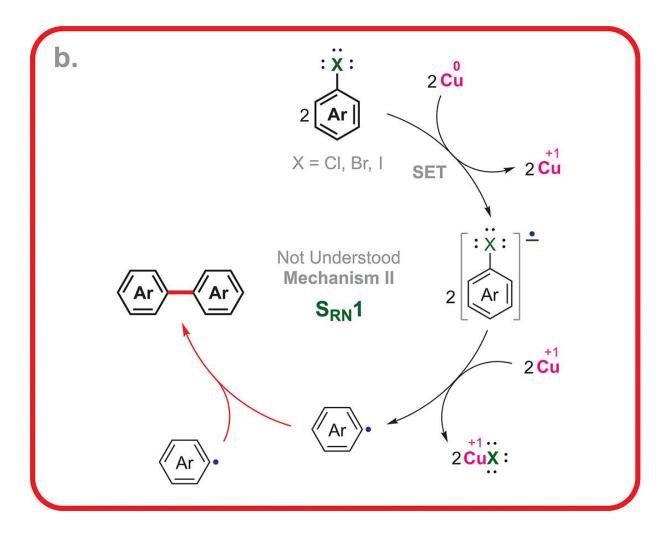


Fig. 92.3: The *Ullmann aryl–aryl coupling* mechanism II.³³³

Ullmann Biaryl Ether & Amine Coupling

$$Ar_1-X + Ar_2-YH \xrightarrow{[Cu]} Ar_1 \xrightarrow{Y} Ar_2$$
 $Y = 0$, NH

Fig. 92.4: The *Ullmann* biaryl ether and amine coupling.³³⁴

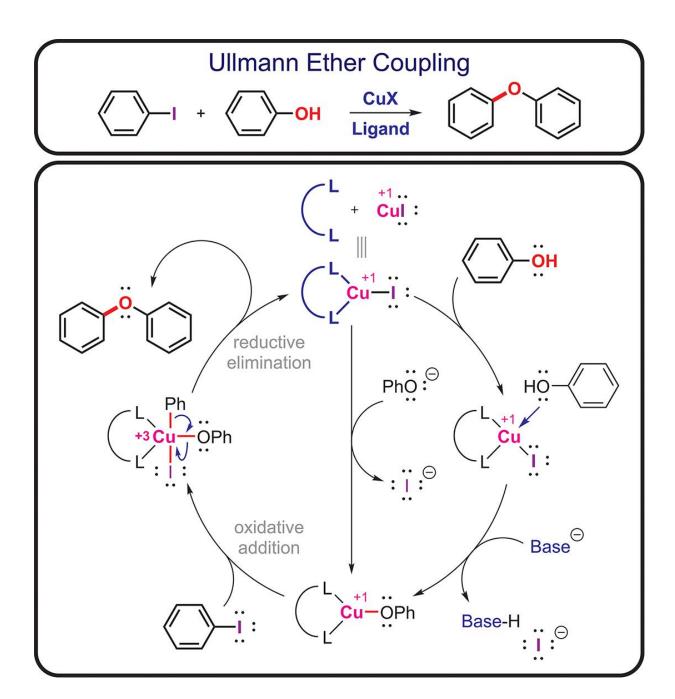


Fig. 92.5: The *Ullmann* biaryl ether coupling mechanism (neutral ligand).³³⁵

Fig. 92.6: The *Ullmann* biaryl amine coupling mechanism (neutral ligand).³³⁶

93 Upjohn Dihydroxylation

Fig. 93.1: The *Upjohn dihydroxylation* mechanism (a).³³⁷

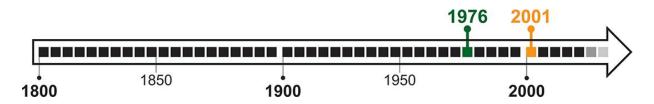


Fig. 93.2: The discovery of the *Upjohn dihydroxylation*.³³⁸

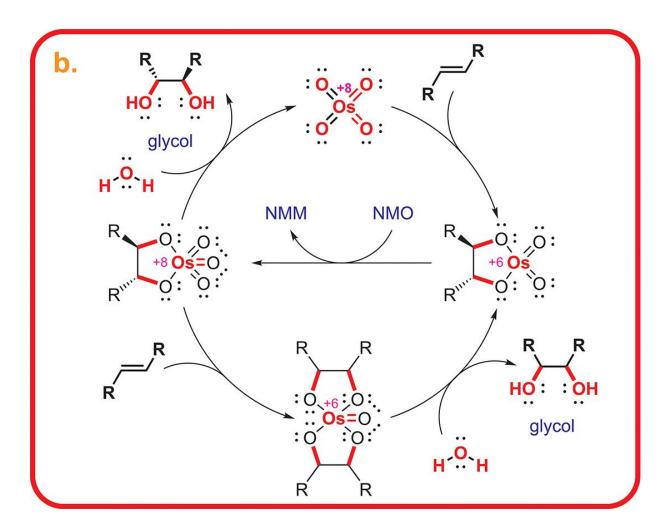


Fig. 93.3: The *Upjohn* dihydroxylation mechanism (b).³³⁹

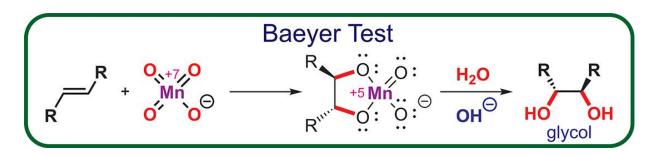


Fig. 93.4: The *Baeyer* test. 340

94 Vilsmeier-Haack Reaction

Fig. 94.1: The Vilsmeier-Haack reaction mechanism. 341

Fig. 94.2: The *Reimer-Tiemann* reaction mechanism.³⁴²

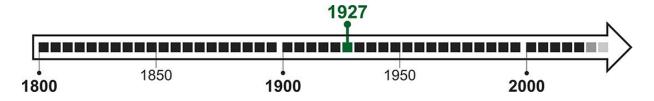


Fig. 94.3: The discovery of the *Vilsmeier–Haack* reaction.³⁴³

95 Wacker Oxidation

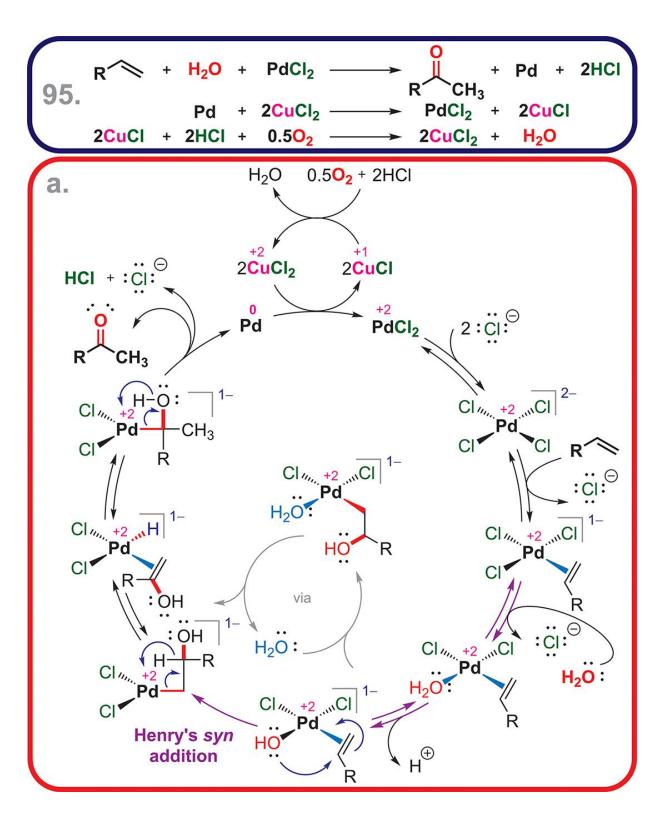


Fig. 95.1: The Wacker oxidation mechanism (a).344

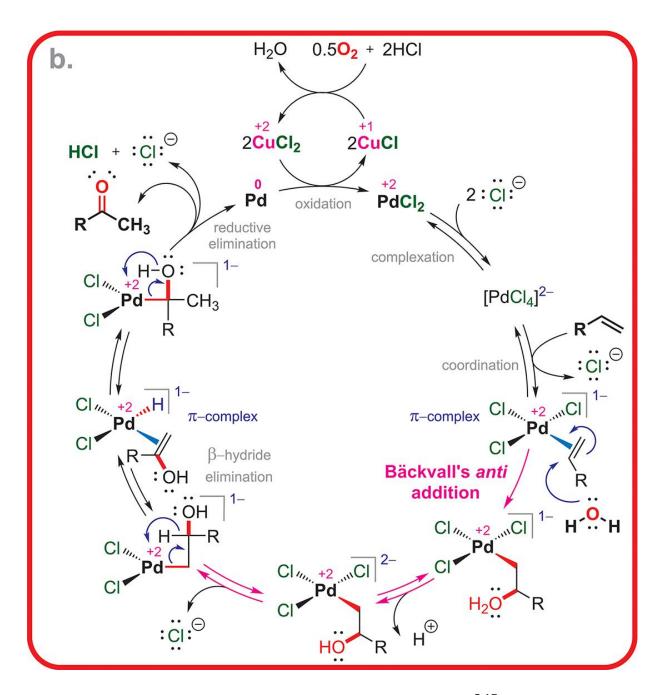


Fig. 95.2: The *Wacker* oxidation mechanism (b).³⁴⁵

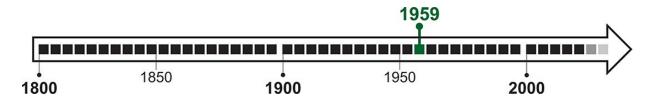


Fig. 95.3: The discovery of the *Wacker* oxidation.³⁴⁶

96 Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement

Fig. 96.1: The *general Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement* mechanism.³⁴⁷

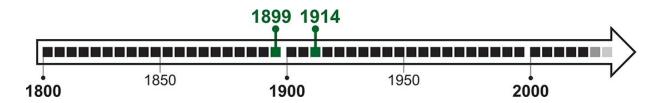


Fig. 96.2: The discovery of the *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangement.³⁴⁸

Fig. 96.3: The *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangement mechanism (A, B, and C).³⁴⁹

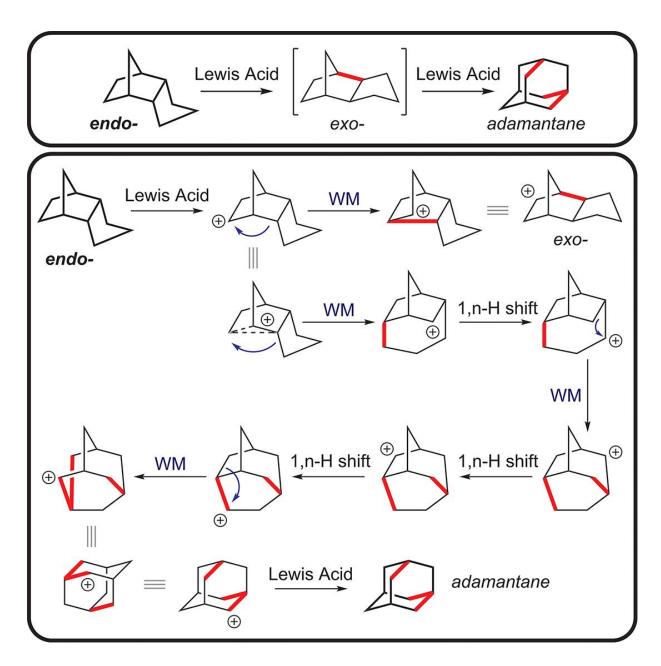


Fig. 96.4: A possible mechanism of *adamantane* rearrangement (pathway A).³⁵⁰

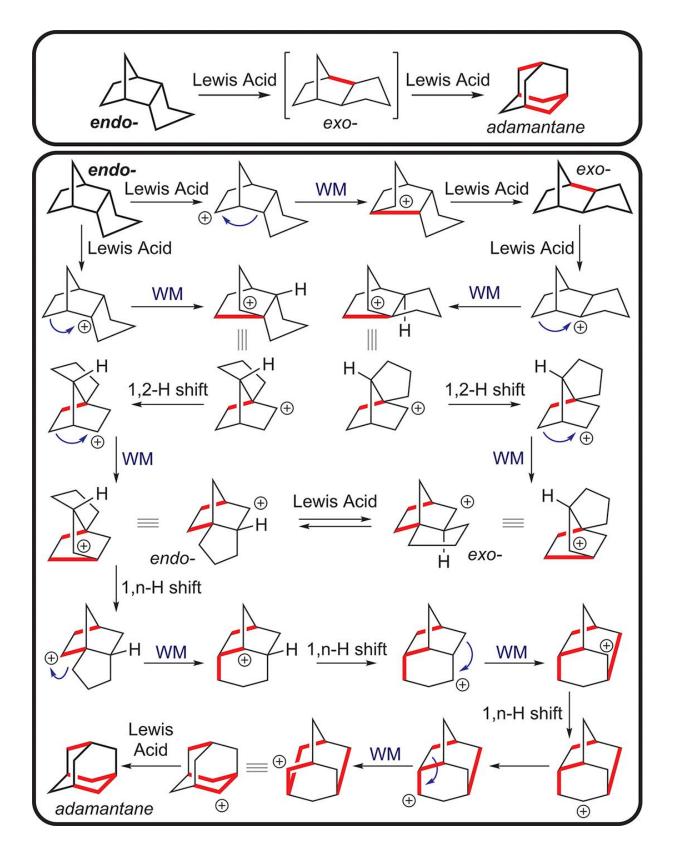


Fig. 96.5: A possible mechanism of *adamantane* rearrangement (pathway B).³⁵¹

97 Weinreb Ketone Synthesis

Fig. 97.1: The Weinreb ketone synthesis mechanism. 352

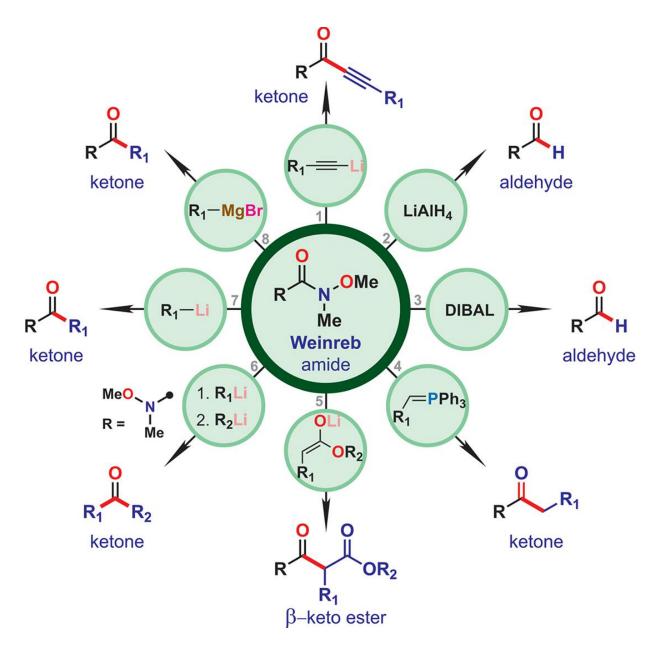


Fig. 97.2: Synthetic versatility of the *Weinreb* amide.³⁵³

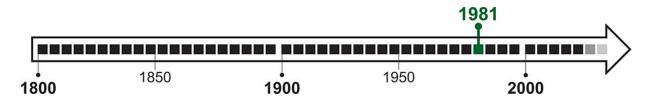


Fig. 97.3: The discovery of the Weinreb ketone synthesis. 354

98 Wittig Reaction

Fig. 98.1: The Wittig reaction mechanism. 355.

Fig. 98.2: Reactions related to the Wittig reaction. 356

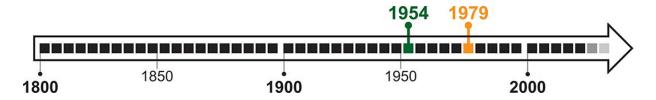


Fig. 98.3: The discovery of the *Wittig reaction*.³⁵⁷

99 Wohl-Ziegler Reaction

Fig. 99.1: The Wohl–Ziegler reaction mechanism. 358

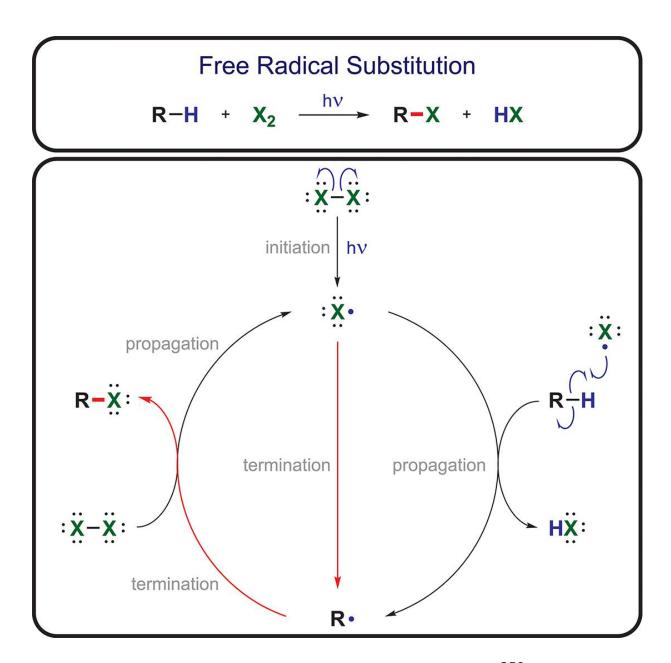


Fig. 99.2: The *free radical substitution* mechanism.³⁵⁹

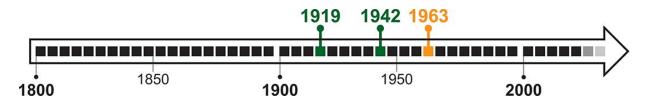


Fig. 99.3: The discovery of the Wohl-Ziegler reaction.³⁶⁰

100 Wolff-Kishner Reduction

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Fig. 100.1: The Wolff-Kishner reduction mechanism. 361

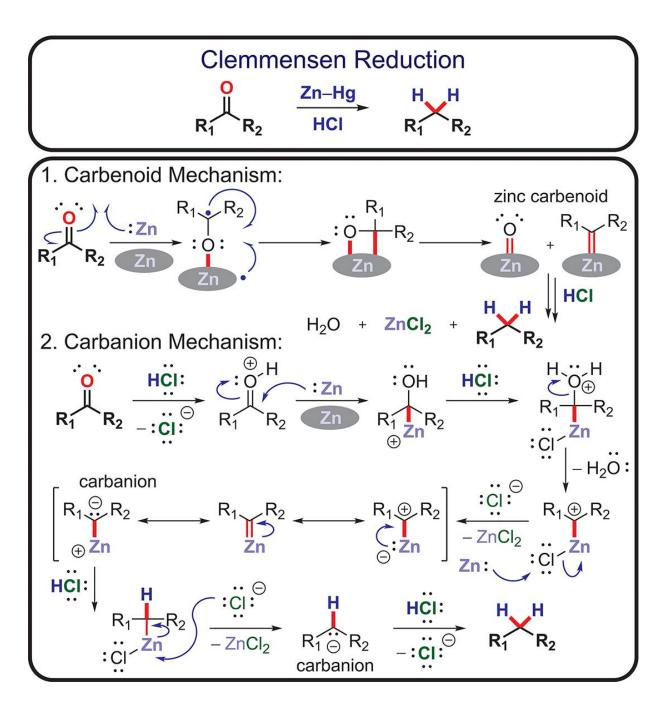


Fig. 100.2: The Clemmensen reduction mechanism. 362

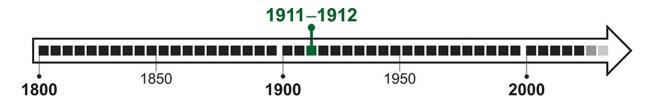


Fig. 100.3: The discovery of the *Wolff–Kishner* reduction. 363

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Notes

- Symbol $Ad_E 2$ stands for Addition Electrophilic Bimolecular (2), that is, the rate of the reaction is **second order**, and the rate-determining step (i.e., the **slow** step) depends on the concentration of two reactants. In the bromination of cyclohexene, it is the **electrophile** (E or Br_2) and **alkene** (C=C): $rate = k[E]^1[C=C]^1$.
- Symbol Ad_E3 stands for Addition Electrophilic Trimolecular (3), that is, the rate of the reaction is *third order*, and the rate-determining step (i.e., the *slow* step) depends on the concentration of three reactants. In this less common example, it is the two *electrophiles* (2HX or HCl + HCl) and *alkene* (C=C): $rate = k[HCl]^1[HCl]^1[C=C]^1 = k[HCl]^2[C=C]^1$. In Mechanism I, the collision of all three components is less probable and simultaneous. In more probable Mechanism II, a complex between the first HX and alkene is formed first (step 1), followed by step 2 (addition of the second HX).
- Symbol S_N1 stands for Substitution Nucleophilic Unimolecular (1), that is, the rate of the reaction is *first order*, and the rate-determining step (i.e., the *slow* step) depends on the concentration of one reactant. In this example, it is the *starting material* (substrate) containing a leaving group (RL): $rate = k[RL]^1$.
- Symbol $S_N 2$ stands for Substitution Nucleophilic Bimolecular (2), that is, the rate of the reaction is **second order**, and the rate-determining step (i.e., the **slow** step) depends on the concentration of two reactants. In this example, it is the

nucleophile (Nu) and the **starting material** (RL): $rate = k[Nu]^{1}[RL]^{1}$.

- Symbol S_EAr or $S_E(Ar)$ stands for Substitution Electrophilic Arenium (ion) (often confused with Aromatic), that is, the *arenium ion* mechanism. In this example, it is a Bimolecular (2) reaction, that is, the rate of the reaction is *second order*, and the rate-determining step (i.e., the *slow* step) depends on the concentration of two reactants. It is the *electrophile* (E) and *arene* (ArH): $rate = k[E]^1[ArH]^1$. To emphasize that it is a bimolecular mechanism, sometimes S_E2Ar or $S_E2(Ar)$ notation is used (the use of simple S_E2 symbol can be confusing, since it can also apply to an Aliphatic Electrophilic Substitution).
- In this book the terms "electron releasing group" (ERG) and "electron donating group" (EDG) are used interchangeably. Please note, *ipso-substitution* is provided only for the comparison with *ortho-*, *para-*, and *meta-substitution*.
- 7 An example of an aromatic electrophilic substitution: bromination of anisole (a substrate with an ERG).
- **8** An example of an aromatic electrophilic substitution: nitration of (trifluoromethyl)benzene (a substrate with an EWG).
- Symbol S_NAr stands for Substitution Nucleophilic Aromatic; it is also called the *addition–elimination* mechanism. In this example, it is a **Bi**molecular (2) reaction, that is, the rate of the reaction is **second order** and the rate-determining step (i.e., the *slow* step) depends on the concentration of two reactants. It is the **nucleophile** (Nu) and **arene** (ArX): $rate = k[Nu]^1[ArX]^1$. To emphasize that it is a bimolecular mechanism, sometimes S_N2Ar notation is used.

- 10 A typical S_NAr substrate usually contains an activating electron withdrawing group (EWG) and a leaving group (X).
- In the S_EAr reaction, an EWG group orients (directs) the substitution in the meta-position and an ERG (EDG) directs the substitution in the ortho-position and/or para-position. However, in the S_NAr reaction, this trend is reversed: an EWG group orients (directs) the substitution in the ortho-position and/or para-position and ERG (EDG) directs the substitution in the meta-position.
- Symbol $S_{RN}1$ stands for Substitution Radical Nucleophilic Unimolecular (1), that is, the rate of the reaction is *first order*, and the rate-determining step (the *slow* step) depends on the concentration of one reactant. In this example, it is the *starting material* that contains a leaving group (ArX): $rate = k[ArX]^1$.
- 13 The substitution of a diazonium group by iodide is an example of the SET (Single Electron Transfer) mechanism. Please note that the $S_{RN}1$ mechanism and the SET mechanism are closely related and are not differentiated in this book. Jerry March [\rightarrow 1a] distinguishes the $S_{RN}1$ mechanism (the initial attack of the aromatic substrate occurs by an electron donor) from the SET mechanism (the initial attack occurs by a nucleophile). The Sandmeyer reaction mechanism (not shown) is related (see \rightarrow https://doi.org/10.1002/cber.18840170219 and \rightarrow https://doi.org/10.1002/cber.188401702202, accessed December 5, 2019).
- This figure summarizes the Lewis (electron) dot structures of various SET processes: $cation \rightarrow radical \rightarrow anion$ or cation $radical \rightarrow diradical$ or $lone pair \rightarrow anion radical$, and provides several common examples. Please note that in the literature

cation radical is often called radical cation and anion radical is called radical anion. In some instances, a lone pair associated with an anion or anion radical is not represented for clarity (sometimes this simplification causes confusion).

- An example of *electrophilic addition* described by the SET mechanism: a single electron transfer from an alkene to an electrophile and the formation of a *cation radical* (radical cation). An example of *nucleophilic substitution* described by the SET mechanism: a single electron transfer from a nucleophile to a substrate and the formation of an *anion radical* (radical anion) [-3].
- Symbol E1cB (E1cb) stands for Elimination Unimolecular 16 (1) conjugate Base (base); it is also called the carbanion mechanism [McLennan DJ. The carbanion mechanism of olefinforming elimination. *Q. Rev. Chem. Soc.* **1967**, 21 (4), 490–506]. The mechanism consists of two steps: the formation of a carbanion (step 1) and subsequent elimination (step 2). (Scenario A) Step 1 is fast and reversible (R or rev) and step 2 is rate-determining (slow): $(E1cB)_R = (E1cB)_{rev}$. Here, the rate of the reaction is **second order** and the rate-determining step depends on the concentration of two reactants, that is, the base (B) and substrate (RL): $rate \approx k[B]^{1}[RL]^{1}/[BH]$. (Scenario B) Step 1 is slow and irreversible (I or irr) (rate-determining) and step 2 is fast: $(E1cB)_{I} = (E1cB)_{irr}$. Here, the rate of the reaction is **second** *order* and the rate-determining step depends on the concentration of two reactants, that is, the base (B) and **substrate** (RL): $rate = k[B]^{1}[RL]^{1}$. (Scenario C) Step 1 is fast and step 2 is rate-determining (slow): $(E1cB)_{anion} = (E1)_{anion}$. Here, the rate of the reaction is *first order* and the rate-determining step depends on the concentration of one reactant, that is, the **substrate** (RL): $rate \approx k[RL]^{1}$.

- Symbol **E2** stands for **Elimination Bimolecular (2)**, that is, the rate of the reaction is **second order** and the rate-determining step (i.e., the **slow** step) depends on the concentration of two reactants. In this example, it is the **base** (**B**) and the **substrate** (**RL**): $rate = k[\mathbf{B}]^1[\mathbf{RL}]^1$.
- Symbol **E1** stands for **Elimination Uni**molecular (**1**), that is, the rate of the reaction is *first order* and the rate-determining step (i.e., the *slow* step) depends on the concentration of one reactant. In this example, it is the *substrate* (**RL**): $rate = k[\mathbf{RL}]^{1}$.
- 19 Symbol E_i stands for Elimination Internal or Intramolecular. The rate of the reaction is *first order* and the rate-determining step (i.e., the *slow* step) depends on the concentration of one reactant. In this example, it is the *substrate* (S): $rate = k[S]^1$.
- 20 The **E1cB** mechanism is also called the carbanion mechanism; its transition state is the most extreme case with a full negative charge. The **E2** mechanism is simultaneous and the transition state lies in the middle. A typical E2 reaction often competes with an S_N 2 reaction and vice versa. The **E1** mechanism is exactly the opposite of E1cB and its transition state has a positive charge. A typical E1 reaction often competes with an S_N 1 reaction and vice versa.
- 21 Only the key β -elimination examples are covered in this book.
- The reaction is also called the *acyloin ester* condensation. Please note that an *acyloin* is an α -hydroxy ketone.
- 23 Several reactions are mechanistically related to the *acyloin* condensation: the **Bouveault-Blanc** reduction of esters [\rightarrow 1a,

- \rightarrow 7a].
- Several reactions are mechanistically related to the *acyloin* condensation: the **Bouveault–Blanc** reduction of ketones [\rightarrow 1a, \rightarrow 7a].
- **25** The reaction was likely first described around 1905 [\rightarrow 7b].
- Several reactions are mechanistically related to the *acyloin* condensation: the pinacol coupling and the **McMurry** coupling (both covered in Chapter 57). The benzoin condensation (covered in Chapter 15) undergoes a different mechanism, but it also yields α -hydroxy ketones containing aromatic groups (benzoins).
- **27** The reaction is also called the *alkyne isomerization reaction* or the *alkyne–allene rearrangement*.
- The *alkyne zipper reaction* with KAPA yields thermodynamically *less* stable *terminal alkyne*, whereas the typical *alkyne-allene rearrangement* usually produces thermodynamically *more* stable *internal alkyne*. Both reactions are reversible.
- **29** The reaction was likely first mentioned around 1888 by A. Favorsky (Favorskii) (in Russian A. E. Фаворский) [$\rightarrow 8a$, $\rightarrow 8b$, $\rightarrow 8c$], the variation presented here was likely first described around 1975 [$\rightarrow 8d$].
- 30 The *Arbuzov reaction* is an example of the bimolecular **nucleophilic substitution** (S_N2), covered in Chapter 2. It is also referred to as the *Michaelis-Arbuzov reaction* or the *Michaelis-Arbuzov rearrangement*.
- A selected example of the complex organophosphorus nomenclature: the organophosphorus(III) compounds have a

- common suffix -*ite* [phosphites $P(OR)_3$, phosphonites $P(OR)_2R$] and the organophosphorus(V) compounds have a common suffix -*ate* [phosphonates $PO(OR)_2R$, phosphinates $PO(OR)_2R$] [$\rightarrow 9a$].
- The *phosphonates* produced in the *Arbuzov* reaction are essential in the *Horner–Wadsworth–Emmons* (HWE) olefination (covered in Chapter 50).
- The reaction was likely first described around 1898 by Michaelis [\rightarrow 9b] and around 1906 by Arbuzov [\rightarrow 9c].
- The **Arndt–Eistert** synthesis is also called the **Arndt–Eistert** reaction (homologation). The **Wolff** rearrangement (α -diazoketone) is part of the **Arndt–Eistert** synthesis mechanism [\rightarrow 10a].
- The *ketenes* formed during the *Arndt–Eistert* synthesis can either be trapped by a variety of nucleophiles, or undergo [2 + 2] cycloaddition including dimerization.
- The *ketene* (prop-1-en-1-one) formed during the *Arndt– Eistert synthesis* is trapped by methanol.
- The *Wolff* rearrangement (α-diazoketone) is part of the *Arndt–Eistert* synthesis mechanism [\rightarrow 10a].
- The related reaction was likely first described by Wolff between 1902 and 1912 [\rightarrow 10a, \rightarrow 10b] and by Arndt and Eistert around 1935 [\rightarrow 10c].
- 39 The *Baeyer-Villiger* oxidation is also called the *Baeyer-Villiger* rearrangement.

- 40 The reaction was likely first described around 1899 $[\rightarrow 11b]$. In **1905**, Johann Friedrich Wilhelm Adolf von Baeyer received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry $[\rightarrow 11c]$.
- The order of group migration is essential for the asymmetrical ketones. Please note that this preference for migration is a general empirical trend and not an absolute rule [-1].
- The **Dakin** reaction (oxidation) is closely related to the **Baeyer–Villiger** oxidation and it usually yields ortho-hydroxy or para-hydroxy phenols (or phenols with a strong ortho- or para-ERG) [\rightarrow 11a].
- The *Barton* decarboxylation is a radical decarboxylation reaction of the *Barton* ester.
- The **Barton–McCombie** deoxygenation is a radical deoxygenation of a *thiocarbonyl*: O,O-thiocarbonate **RO**C(S)OR; S,O-dithiocarbonate = xanthate **RO**C(S)SR; or O-thiocarbamate **RO**C(S)NR₂.
- **45** The *decarboxylation* reaction was likely first described between 1980 and 1985 [\rightarrow 12a, \rightarrow 12b], and the *deoxygenation* reaction was likely first described between 1975 and 1980 [\rightarrow 12c, \rightarrow 12d]. In **1969**, Derek H. R. Barton (jointly with Odd Hassel) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry [\rightarrow 12e].
- The **Baylis-Hillman** reaction is also called the **Morita-Baylis-Hillman** reaction.
- 47 Many variations of the *Baylis-Hillman* reaction exist, depending on the nature of EWG (the *Michael* acceptor) and

carbonyl compound (the electrophile). Please note that for X = NR, it is called the *aza-Baylis-Hillman* reaction.

- The reaction was likely first described around 1972 [\rightarrow 13].
- The **Beckmann** rearrangement is seldom called the **Beckmann** oxime-amide rearrangement.
- The reaction was likely first described around 1886 $[\rightarrow 14a]$.
- This is an example of the **Beckmann** rearrangement mechanism of cyclohexanone oxime to azepan-2-one (also known as **caprolactam**) [\rightarrow 14b]. Several reactions are mechanistically related to the **Beckmann** rearrangement: the **Curtius** rearrangement, the **Schmidt** reaction, the **Hofmann** rearrangement, and the **Lossen** rearrangement (all covered in Chapter 31).
- **52** The *benzoin condensation* is one of the oldest reactions in organic chemistry.
- The reaction was likely first described around 1832 and the mechanism was proposed in 1903 [\rightarrow 15c, \rightarrow 15d].
- The *benzoin condensation* involves two *aromatic* aldehydes and is catalyzed by **cyanide ion** forming *aromatic* α -hydroxy ketones (*benzoins*). The *acyloin synthesis* is a condensation of two *aliphatic* aldehydes, it is catalyzed by **thiazolium salts** [\rightarrow 15a, \rightarrow 15b] and yields *aliphatic* (or mixed) α -hydroxy ketones (*acyloins*). The *acyloin synthesis* should not be confused with the *acyloin condensation* (Chapter 7).
- The *benzyne mechanism* is one of the fundamental **aromatic nucleophilic substitution** mechanisms; it is also

- called the *elimination–addition* mechanism, that is, the opposite of S_NAr (S_N2Ar), or the *addition–elimination* mechanism (covered in Chapter 4).
- Since its first discovery, numerous methods evolved leading to the formation of the *benzyne* intermediate (*aryne*). Note: *benzyne* (*aryne*) can also be called *dehydrobenzene* (*dehydroarene*) [\rightarrow 16a, \rightarrow 16b].
- 57 The mechanism in its present form was likely first proposed around 1953 [\rightarrow 16c].
- **58** The *Bergman* cyclization is also known as the *Bergman* reaction (isomerization or cycloaromatization).
- The *Myers–Saito* cyclization or cycloaromatization of enyneallenes is related to the *Bergman* cyclization and the *Schmittel* cyclization (not shown) [\rightarrow 17c].
- 60 The reaction was likely first described around 1972 [\rightarrow 17a, \rightarrow 17b].
- The first step in the *Birch* reduction mechanism is a *single* electron transfer (SET) (see Chapter 5). The regiochemistry of the formed products depends on the nature of the substitution (ERG versus EWG).
- The alkyne trans-reduction (alkyne metal reduction) mechanism is much like the **Birch** reduction. Please note that under the **Birch** reduction conditions alkynes are reduced to **trans**-alkenes [\rightarrow 18a, \rightarrow 18b]. Under Pd/C-catalyzed conditions, the **cis**-alkene is usually the major product.
- **63** The reaction was likely first described around 1944 [\rightarrow 18c].

- The **Bischler-Napieralski** cyclization (reaction) is a classic example of **aromatic electrophilic substitution** (the **arenium ion** mechanism or S_EAr , Chapter 3).
- Several named reactions are related to the *Bischler-Napieralski* cyclization: the *Friedel-Crafts* acylation and alkylation (covered in Chapter 39), and the *Pomeranz-Fritsch* reaction, which is an alternative way to make *isoquinolines* [\rightarrow 19a, \rightarrow 19b].
- **66** The reaction was likely first described around 1893 [\rightarrow 19c].
- The **Brown** hydroboration is also known as the hydroboration-oxidation. The mechanism is believed to be concerted and **anti-Markovnikov's** product is usually formed. Compare to Chapter 52.
- There are numerous examples of borane complexes $(BH_3 \cdot X)$, the monoalkylborane (RBH_2) , and dialkylborane (R_2BH) reagents, which can be prepared from the *diborane* (B_2H_6) via the *hydroboration reaction*: 9-BBN reagent is one of the most important among them $[\rightarrow 20a]$.
- The reaction was likely first described around 1956 $[\to 20b]$. In **1979**, Herbert C. Brown (jointly with Georg Wittig) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of boron chemistry $[\to 20c]$.
- The **Buchwald–Hartwig** cross-coupling (amination) is a type of **Pd**-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–N bond formation using aryl halides and amines). The mechanism varies and is usually substrate and ligand dependent. For teaching purposes, a simplified and general example is shown, which may take place in the presence of a monodentate ligand.

- 71 For teaching purposes, a simplified and general example is shown, which may take place in the presence of a *chelating ligand*.
- 72 The reaction was likely first described around 1994 [\rightarrow 21].
- 73 The *Cannizzaro* reaction is seldom called the *Cannizzaro* disproportionation (RedOx) reaction. It is one of the oldest reactions in organic chemistry.
- There are many variations of the *Cannizzaro* reaction: the *Cannizzaro* reaction with aromatic and aliphatic aldehydes containing no α -hydrogen atoms, and the *cross-Cannizzaro* reaction and the *intramolecular Cannizzaro* reaction [\rightarrow 1].
- 75 The reaction was likely first described around 1853 [\rightarrow 22].
- The **Chan–Evans–Lam** cross-coupling (also simply called the **Chan–Lam** cross-coupling) is a type of **Cu**-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–O and C–N bond formation using aryl boronic acids and alcohols or amines). The mechanism is not well-understood and is usually very substrate and ligand dependent. For teaching purposes, a simplified and general example is shown, which may take place in etherification reactions (C–O bond formation, Y = O) [\rightarrow 23a, \rightarrow 23b].
- 77 The mechanism is not well-understood and is usually very substrate and ligand dependent. For teaching purposes, a simplified and general example is shown, which may take place in amination reactions (C-N bond formation, Y = NH, NR₂) [\rightarrow 23c].
- **78** The reaction was likely first described around 1998 [\rightarrow 23d, \rightarrow 23e, \rightarrow 23f].

- The *Chichibabin amination* (in Russian Чичибабин) is also called the *Chichibabin reaction*. It is a classic example of aromatic nucleophilic substitution. Specifically, it undergoes the *addition-elimination* mechanism: S_NAr (S_N2Ar), covered in Chapter 4.
- 80 An example of the *Chichibabin* amination of quinoline to yield 2-aminoquinoline [\rightarrow 24c].
- 81 The reaction was likely first described around 1914 [\rightarrow 24a, \rightarrow 24b].
- The *Claisen* condensation is a condensation reaction between an *ester* and another carbonyl compound containing two enolizable H-atoms (α -hydrogen atoms).
- The *Dieckmann* condensation is the intramolecular *Claisen* condensation and their mechanisms are almost identical. The *Dieckmann* condensation is ideal for the formation of five-, six-, and seven-membered rings $[\rightarrow 25a]$.
- 84 The reaction was likely first described around 1887 $[\rightarrow 25b]$.
- The *Claisen* rearrangement (different from the *Claisen* condensation and much like the *Cope* rearrangement, see Chapter 28) is a pericyclic reaction with a concerted mechanism. This is a classic example of a [3,3']-sigmatropic rearrangement (shift).
- There are numerous variations and modifications of the *Claisen* rearrangement reaction, to name a few: the *Ireland–Claisen* rearrangement, the *Eschenmoser–Claisen* rearrangement, the *Johnson–Claisen* rearrangement, the aza-Claisen (aza-Cope) rearrangement, the *Overman* rearrangement, and others [→26a].

- 87 The reaction was likely first described around 1912 $[\rightarrow 26b]$.
- The **Cope** elimination or the **Cope** reaction is an example of the five-membered internal or intramolecular β -elimination reaction (E_i), mentioned in Chapter 6.
- Several reactions are related to the *Cope elimination*: the *Hofmann elimination* (usually E2-type elimination, rarely E_i , covered in Chapter 49), the *selenoxide elimination* [\rightarrow 27a, \rightarrow 27b], the *acetate pyrolysis* [\rightarrow 1], and others (not mentioned here).
- **90** The reaction was likely first described around 1949 [\rightarrow 27c].
- P1 The *Cope* rearrangement (different from the *Cope* elimination and much like the *Claisen* rearrangement, see Chapter 26) is a pericyclic reaction with a concerted mechanism. This is a classic example of a [3,3']-sigmatropic rearrangement (also referred to as [3,3']-sigmatropic shift).
- There are numerous variations of the **Cope** rearrangement $[\to 1]$, such as the (anionic) oxy-**Cope** rearrangement, the aza-**Cope** and/or aza-**Claisen** rearrangement (confusing), and the azo-**Cope** rearrangement $[\to 28a]$.
- 93 The reaction was likely first described around 1940 $[\rightarrow 28b]$.
- The *Cope* rearrangement of (3R,4R)-3,4-dimethylhexa-1,5-diene to (2E,6E)-octa-2,6-diene.
- The *Cope* rearrangement of (2E,4R,5R,6E)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene to (2E,4S,5S,6E)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene.

- The *Cope* rearrangement of (2Z,4R,5R,6E)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene to (2E,4R,5S,6E)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene.
- The *Cope* rearrangement of (2Z,4R,5S,6E)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene to (2Z,4S,5R,6E)-4,5-dimethylocta-2,6-diene.
- The *Criegee* oxidation or simply the *Criegee* reaction is different from the *Criegee* mechanism proposed for ozonolysis (covered in Chapter 70).
- **99** The reaction was likely first described around 1931 $[\rightarrow 29a]$.
- **100** The *Malaprade* oxidation is analogous to the *Criegee* reaction.
- **101** The reaction was likely first described between 1928 and $1934 \left[\rightarrow 29b, \rightarrow 29c \right]$.
- **102** The acronym "CuAAC" stands for Cu-catalyzed Azide–Alkyne Cycloaddition (Copper(I)-catalyzed azide–alkyne cycloaddition). It is also often referred to as "click chemistry." Formally, it is a 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reaction or a (3+2)-cycloadditon reactions. Please note that the notation (3+2) means the <u>atom count</u> is used; the notation [4+2] means the <u>electron count</u> involved in the reaction is used [-30a]. IUPAC does not recommend mixed usage, but it is seen frequently in the literature: [3+2].
- **103** The *Huisgen* cycloaddition [\rightarrow 30b, \rightarrow 30c] is not catalytic but related to **CuAAC**. The *azide–alkyne* cycloaddition can be also catalyzed by **R**uthenium (**RuAAC**) or Nickel (**NiAAC**); however, it undergoes a different mechanism (not shown).

- **104** The reaction was likely first described around 2002 [\rightarrow 30d, \rightarrow 30e] and the mechanism, in its current form, proposed around 2013 [\rightarrow 30f]. In **2022**, Carolyn R. Bertozzi, Morten Meldal, and K. Barry Sharpless received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of click chemistry and bioorthogonal chemistry [30g, 30h].
- **105** The *Curtius* rearrangement is also called the *Curtius* reaction.
- **106** The reaction was likely first described around 1890 [\rightarrow 31a, \rightarrow 31b].
- **107** The *Schmidt* reaction is also a rearrangement.
- **108** The reaction was likely first described between 1923 and $1924 \ [\ \rightarrow \ 31c, \ \rightarrow \ 31d \].$
- **109** The *Hofmann* rearrangement is also known as the *Hofmann* reaction. It is completely different from the *Hofmann* elimination (see Chapter 49).
- **110** The reaction was likely first described around 1881 $[\rightarrow 31e]$.
- 111 The *Lossen* rearrangement is much like these reactions and is related to the *Beckmann* rearrangement, covered in Chapter 14.
- 112 The reaction was likely first described around 1872 [\rightarrow 31f].
- 113 The **Darzens** condensation is also called the **Darzens** glycidic ester condensation or the **Darzens** reaction. Please note that a glycidic ester is an α,β -epoxy ester.

- **114** The reaction was likely first described around 1904 [\rightarrow 32c].
- 115 The *Corey–Chaykovsky* reaction (also known as the *Johnson–Corey–Chaykovsky* reaction) [\rightarrow 32a, \rightarrow 32b] is related to both the *Darzens* condensation and the *Wittig* reaction (covered in Chapter 98).
- 116 The *Dess–Martin* oxidation is based on the use of a named reagent: the *Dess–Martin* periodinane (DMP) [\rightarrow 33a, \rightarrow 33b].
- 117 2-Iodoxybenzoic acid (**IBX**) is a precursor for the preparation of the **Dess–Martin** periodinane (**DMP**). IBX can also be used as an oxidant.
- **118** The reaction was likely first described around 1983 [\rightarrow 33c].
- **119** The *diazonium salt formation reaction* is also known as the *diazotization* [\rightarrow 1] (the term is also preferred in this book), or the *diazoniation* [\rightarrow 1a], or the *diazotation* [\rightarrow 34a].
- 120 The diazonium salts formed during the diazotization process have wide synthetic application and they can react with a variety of nucleophiles. These reactions go through the aromatic nucleophilic substitution mechanism (S_N1Ar or sometimes $S_{RN}1$). Symbol S_N1Ar stands for Substitution Nucleophilic Aromatic. It is a Unimolecular (1) reaction, that is, the rate of the reaction is first order, and the rate-determining step (the slow step) depends on the concentration of one reactant, the diazonium salt (ArN_2^+): $rate = k[ArN_2^+]^1$. This mechanism is different from the addition-elimination mechanism (S_NAr or S_N2Ar), covered in Chapter 4, because the first step is elimination and the formation of an aryl cation. It is also different from the benzyne mechanism (the elimination-addition mechanism, Chapter 16).

- **121** The reaction was likely first described around 1858 $[\rightarrow 34b]$.
- 122 The *Diels–Alder* cycloaddition reaction or the [4+2]-cycloaddition reaction is a pericyclic reaction with a concerted mechanism. Note that the notation (4+2) means the <u>atom count</u> is used; the notation [4+2] means the <u>electron count</u> involved in the reaction is used $[\rightarrow 30a]$. Compare with the 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition (Chapter 30).
- There are numerous variations of this reaction: the *homo-Diels-Alder cycloaddition*, the *retro-Diels-Alder reaction*, the *hetero-Diels-Alder cycloaddition*, and many others (not shown). Please note the regiochemistry observed in the first case of the $[4_{\pi} + 2_{\pi}] = Diels-Alder$ cycloaddition.
- **124** The reaction was likely first described around 1928 [\rightarrow 35a, \rightarrow 35b]. In **1950**, Otto Paul Hermann Diels and Kurt Alder received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the discovery of the diene synthesis [\rightarrow 35c].
- **125** The *Diels–Alder* cycloaddition reaction using buta-1,3-diene (diene) and either *fumaronitrile* or *maleonitrile*. Please note the difference in the reaction outcome.
- 126 The *Diels–Alder* cycloaddition reaction using either (2Z,4E)-hexa-2,4-diene or (2E,4E)-hexa-2,4-diene and ethene (dienophile). Please note the difference in the reaction outcome.
- 127 The *Diels-Alder* cycloaddition reaction using (2*Z*,4*E*)-hexa-2,4-diene and either *fumaronitrile* or *maleonitrile*. Please note the difference in the reaction outcome.

- 128 The *Diels-Alder* cycloaddition reaction using (2*E*,4*E*)-hexa-2,4-diene and either *fumaronitrile* or *maleonitrile*. Please note the difference in the reaction outcome.
- 129 The *di-π-methane rearrangement* (**DPM**) is rarely called the **Zimmerman** reaction. If the reaction undergoes *direct irradiation*: the reaction occurs from the <u>singlet</u> excited state S_1 , in this case $I(\pi, \pi^*)$ [$\rightarrow 2b$].
- 130 The di- π -methane rearrangement in the presence of a photosensitizer, that is, the reaction undergoes the sensitized irradiation: the product formation occurs from the $\underline{triplet}$ excited state T_1 , here ${}^3(\pi, \pi^*)$ [\rightarrow 2b].
- **131** The reaction was likely first described between 1966 and 1967 [\rightarrow 36].
- **132** The *Favorskii* rearrangement (also spelled Favorsky, in German transliteration Faworsky, and in Russian Алексей Евграфович Фаворский ог А. Е. Фаворский) is different from the *Favorskii* reaction (not shown here).
- 133 There are numerous variations of this reaction: for example, the *quasi-Favorskii* rearrangement, which undergoes a process similar to the *semi-benzylic* mechanism [\rightarrow 37a, \rightarrow 37b], the *homo-Favorskii* rearrangement, and others (not shown).
- **134** The reaction was likely first described around 1894 [\rightarrow 37c, \rightarrow 37d].
- **135** An example of the *Favorskii* rearrangement of 2-chlorocyclohexan-1-one yielding ring-contracted ethyl cyclopentanecarboxylate.

- 136 The tandem *Favorskii* rearrangement plays the key role in the synthesis of cubane-1,4-dicarboxylic acid and other cubane derivatives [\rightarrow 37e, \rightarrow 37f].
- 137 The *Fischer indole synthesis* (different from the *Fischer esterification*) is one of the most important reactions in organic chemistry. The key mechanistic step is the [3,3']-*sigmatropic shift (rearrangement)*.
- 138 The key mechanistic step in the *Fischer* indole synthesis is related to the *Cope* rearrangement, the aza-Cope, and/or aza-Claisen rearrangement (Chapter 28). Other related reactions include the *benzidine* rearrangement (its mechanism is not well-understood) [1, 38a].
- 139 The reaction was likely first described around 1883 [38b, 38c]. In 1902, Emil Fischer received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry [38d].
- 140 The *Friedel–Crafts* acylation mechanism is an example of the aromatic electrophilic substitution (the arenium ion mechanism or S_EAr , covered in Chapter 3). The linear acyl halides react via acylium cation and form aryl ketones with linear alkyl chains.
- **141** The reaction was likely first described around 1877 $[\rightarrow 39a]$.
- 142 The *Friedel–Crafts* alkylation is also the **aromatic electrophilic substitution**. The linear alkyl halides undergo the carbocation rearrangement (also called the *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangement covered in Chapter 96) and always produce branched products.

- **143** The reaction was likely first described around 1877 $[\rightarrow 39b]$.
- 144 An example of the *Friedel–Crafts* acylation of anisole yielding 1-(4-methoxyphenyl)propan-1-one.
- **145** An example of the *Friedel–Crafts alkylation* of benzene yielding *tert*-butylbenzene.
- 146 The *Gabriel* synthesis is a chemical reaction that converts alkyl halides to primary (1°) amines via the S_N2 reaction using phthalimide. The *Ing-Manske* procedure [\rightarrow 40a] is a chemical reaction that converts *N-alkyl phthalimide* to primary (1°) amine using hydrazine.
- 147 The **Delépine** reaction mechanism (urotropine acts as the nitrogen nucleophile). There are other synthetic transformations yielding primary amines: the **Mitsunobu** reaction (Chapter 61) or other $S_N 2$ reactions using various N (nitrogen) nucleophiles [-40b].
- **148** The reaction was likely first described around 1887 [\rightarrow 40c].
- 149 The **Gewald** reaction, also called the **Gewald** condensation, is a three-component reaction (3-CR) producing 2-aminothiophenes. The key condensation step is the **Knoevenagel** condensation $[\rightarrow 41a]$.
- **150** The *Knoevenagel* condensation is a variation of the *aldol* condensation followed by crotonation (covered in Chapter 83). The reaction is often catalyzed by *piperidine*.
- **151** The reaction was likely first described around 1966 $[\rightarrow 41b]$.

- 152 The *Glaser–Eglinton–Hay* coupling is a general name for three named reactions: the *Glaser* coupling, the *Eglinton* coupling, and the *Hay* coupling. It is one of many examples of *Cumediated dimerization* of *terminal alkynes*. In all three cases, the formed products are symmetrical.
- 153 More specifically, in the *Eglinton coupling*, the product is (a) symmetrical, (b) **Cu** is used as a stoichiometric reagent $[\rightarrow 42a, \rightarrow 42b]$; in the *Glaser coupling*, the product is (a) symmetrical, (b) **CuX** is used as a catalyst with NH₃ or NH₄OH $[\rightarrow 42c]$; in the *Hay coupling*, the product is (a) symmetrical, (b) **CuX**•TMDA complex is used as a catalyst $[\rightarrow 42d, \rightarrow 42e]$; in the *Cadiot–Chodkiewicz coupling*, the product is (a) **asymmetrical**, (b) **Cu** is used as a catalyst $[\rightarrow 42f]$, and other examples $[\rightarrow 1, \rightarrow 4]$.
- **154** The reaction was likely first described around 1869 [\rightarrow 42c].
- 155 The *Grignard* reaction is based on the use of a named reagent: the *Grignard* reagent (RMgX). The mechanism is not well-understood and most likely involves a **single electron** transfer (SET) (Chapter 5).
- The *Grignard* reagent has wide synthetic applications. It can react with a variety of electrophiles (electrophilic centers): 1. alcohols, deuterated water; 2. epoxides; 3. formaldehyde; 4. aldehydes; 5. ketones; 6. imines; 7. carbon dioxide (disulfide); 8. acyl chlorides (1 eq); 9. acyl chlorides (excess); 10. formates; 11. esters; 12. amides; 13. nitriles; 14. carbonates; 15. orthoesters; 16. alkyl halides; and others [-1].
- **157** The reaction was likely first described around 1900 [→ 43a]. In **1912**, Victor Grignard (jointly with Paul Sabatier) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the discovery of the *Grignard* reagent (and other achievements in chemistry) [→ 43b].

- 158 The *Grob* fragmentation mechanism is most likely related to the β -elimination mechanisms (in this case, 1,4-elimination) covered in Chapter 6. The common feature of this fragmentation is the formation of three species: positively charged (electrofuge), neutral unsaturated fragment, and negatively charged (nucleofuge). A stepwise or concerted mechanism can take place.
- **159** There are many variations of the *Grob* fragmentation involving γ-hydroxy halides (shown here), γ-amino halides, 1,3-diols, and others [\rightarrow 44a].
- **160** An example of the *Grob fragmentation* of (1*R*,3*S*)-3-chloro-1-methylcyclohexan-1-ol yielding hept-6-en-2-one.
- **161** The reaction was likely first described around 1955 [\rightarrow 44b, \rightarrow 44c].
- 162 The *haloform reaction* is one of the oldest reactions in organic chemistry. It is an example of **aliphatic electrophilic substitution**, which is not covered in this book (Chapter 3).
- 163 The *haloform reaction* can be carried out with most halogens: (CI) the *chloroform reaction*, (Br) the *bromoform reaction*, and (I) the *iodoform reaction*, also known as the *iodoform test* or the *Lieben iodoform test* (it is used as an indication of the presence of methyl ketones) [\rightarrow 45].
- **164** The reaction was likely first described between 1822 and 1870 [\rightarrow 45].
- The *Heck* cross-coupling or the *Heck* reaction is also called the *Mizoroki–Heck* reaction. It is one of the most important types of *Pd-catalyzed* cross-coupling reactions (C–C bond formation

- using *aryl halides* and *alkenes*). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism is shown.
- The *oxidative addition* step can be represented in several ways, including a catalyst with: 1. a **not** (less) hindered monodentate ligand; 2. a large hindered monodentate ligand; and 3. a hindered chelating (bidentate) ligand. For simplicity, $\mathbf{L_mPd}$ or $\mathbf{L_nPd}$ representation will be used henceforth [\rightarrow 2a].
- **167** The reaction was likely first described around 1968 [\rightarrow 46a, \rightarrow 46b]. In **2010**, Richard F. Heck (jointly with Ei-ichi Negishi and Akira Suzuki) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of **Pd**-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions [\rightarrow 46c].
- The *Hell–Volhard–Zelinsky* reaction is also known as the *Hell–Volhard–Zelinsky* (HVZ) halogenation. It is a type of aliphatic electrophilic substitution (briefly mentioned in Chapter 3). Mechanistically, it is also related to the haloform reaction (see Chapter 45).
- **169** The reaction was likely first described around 1881 by Hell [→47a] and around 1887 by both Volhard and Zelinsky [→47b, →47c].
- **170** The rearrangement mechanism of bicyclo[2.2.2]octane system to bicyclo[3.2.1]octane system [\rightarrow 47d].
- 171 The *Hiyama* cross-coupling is a type of *Pd*-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using *aryl halides* and *organosilanes*). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism is shown.
- **172** As it was explained in Chapter 46, the representation of the *oxidative addition* step can vary. For simplicity and

- consistency, a general depiction of a *catalyst-ligand* complex is used: L_mPd or L_nPd [$\rightarrow 2a$].
- 173 A modification of the *Hiyama* cross-coupling is called the *Hiyama–Denmark* cross-coupling reaction [\rightarrow 48a]. It is also a type of *Pd*-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using *aryl halides* and *organosilanols*).
- **174** The reaction was likely first described around 1988 $[\rightarrow 48b]$.
- 175 The *Hofmann* elimination is also known as the *Hofmann* degradation. This should not be confused with the *Hofmann* rearrangement (Chapter 31). It is an example of the β -elimination (Chapter 6).
- **176** The products of the *Hofmann* elimination obey <u>Hofmann's</u> <u>rule</u>: the double bond is at the *least substituted carbon*. If the double bond is at the *most substituted carbon*, then it conforms with <u>Zaytsev's rule</u> (also spelled Saytzeff, and in Russian Александр Михайлович Зайцев or A. M. Зайцев) [\rightarrow 49a].
- 177 Several reactions are related to the *Hofmann elimination*: the *Cope elimination* ($\mathbf{E_i}$ mechanism, Chapter 27), the fragmentation of quaternary ammonium salts ($\mathbf{E2}$ mechanism), and others [\rightarrow 1, \rightarrow 49b].
- **178** The reaction was likely first described around 1851 [\rightarrow 49c, \rightarrow 49d].
- 179 The *Horner–Wadsworth–Emmons* (*HWE*) *olefination* is also called the *HWE* reaction. The reaction relies on the use of *phosphonates* prepared via the *Arbuzov* reaction (Chapter 9).

- 180 Several reactions are related to the *HWE* olefination: the *Wittig* reaction (relies on the *phosphorus* ylides formed from the *phosphonium* salts, Chapter 98), the *Horner–Wittig* reaction (relies on the ylides formed from the *phosphine* oxides) [\rightarrow 1, \rightarrow 50a], the *Peterson* olefination (relies on the organosilanes) [\rightarrow 50b], and the *Corey–Chaykovsky* reaction (relies on the sulfur ylides, Chapter 32).
- **181** The reaction was likely first described around 1958 [\rightarrow 50c, \rightarrow 50d, \rightarrow 50e].
- 182 The **Peterson** olefination reaction relies on the use of organosilanes. The outcome of the **Peterson** elimination step differs depending on the basic or acidic conditions [\rightarrow 50b].
- 183 The *Corey–Chaykovsky* reaction (also known as the *Johnson–Corey–Chaykovsky* reaction) [\rightarrow 32a, \rightarrow 32b] is related to both the *Darzens* condensation (Chapter 32) and the *Wittig* reaction (Chapter 98).
- 184 The *Jones* oxidation is based on the use of the same named reagent: the *Jones* reagent [\rightarrow 51a].
- **185** There are numerous examples of chromium oxidizing reagents, derived from chromium oxide(VI): *pyridinium chlorochromate* (PCC) [\rightarrow 51b, \rightarrow 51c] is one of the most important.
- **186** The reaction was likely first described around 1946 $[\rightarrow 51d]$.
- 187 The *Kucherov* reaction (in Russian Кучеров) is rare and very seldom called by its name. Mechanistically, it is an example of the **electrophilic addition** (to an alkyne) more broadly

- covered in Chapter 1. The reaction follows <u>Markovnikov's rule</u> (in Russian Владимир Васильевич Марковников or B. B. Марковников): hydrogen (H⁺, or any other electrophilic part of a molecule) is at the least substituted carbon (or H adds to the carbon with more H atoms) [\rightarrow 52a].
- 188 The oxymercuration reaction (the oxymercuration–reduction reaction) is related to the *Kucherov* reaction. It is also an **electrophilic addition** reaction predominantly forming products (alcohols) according to *Markovnikov's rule*. Please note that the *hydroboration–oxidation* (Chapter 20) yields *anti-Markovnikov's* products: hydrogen is at the most substituted carbon (or H adds to the carbon with less H atoms).
- **189** The reaction was likely first described around 1881 $[\rightarrow 52b]$.
- 190 The *Kumada* cross-coupling (or the *Kumada–Corriu* cross-coupling) is a type of *Pd*-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using aryl halides and the *Grignard* reagent = organomagnesium compound). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism is shown. Note that the (1) concerted oxidative addition step to a low-coordinate (14e⁻) **Pd**-complex is more complicated [\rightarrow 2a].
- **191** The *Kumada* cross-coupling can be *Ni*-catalyzed. Note the possible example of an (2) *SET* oxidative addition step to a *Ni*-complex (not necessarily at play in the example shown) $[\rightarrow 2a]$.
- **192** The reaction was likely first described around 1972 [\rightarrow 53].
- **193** The *Ley–Griffith* oxidation is based on the use of a named reagent: the *Ley–Griffith* reagent (**TPAP**) [\rightarrow 54a].

- 194 The *Upjohn dihydroxylation* (covered in Chapter 93) is related to the *Ley–Griffith oxidation*. Please note that the reaction outcome is different depending on the stereochemistry of the starting alkene.
- **195** The reaction was likely first described around 1987 $[\rightarrow 54b]$.
- 196 The *Liebeskind–Srogl* cross-coupling of thioesters is a type of *Pd*-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using thioesters and boronic acids). For teaching purposes, only a simplified general mechanism is shown.
- **197** The *Liebeskind–Srogl* cross-coupling of thioethers is a variation (C–C bond formation using thioethers (ArSR) and boronic acids or organotin reagents = organostannanes). For teaching purposes, only a simplified general mechanism is shown.
- **198** The reaction was likely first described around 2000 [\rightarrow 55].
- 199 The *Mannich* reaction is also known as the *Mannich* condensation. This three-component reaction (3-CR) can be catalyzed in (a) <u>acidic</u> media (via an *iminium ion* intermediate). The final product (β -amino carbonyl) is also called a *Mannich* base.
- **200** The *Mannich* reaction can be also catalyzed in (b) <u>basic</u> media (via a hemiaminal intermediate).
- **201** There are several iterations of the *Mannich* reaction based on availability of the preformed iminium ions: *Eschenmoser's* salts or *Böhme's* salts (not shown here) [\rightarrow 56a].
- **202** The reaction was likely first described around 1912 $[\rightarrow 56b]$.

- **203** The *Kabachnik–Fields* reaction is a 3-CR yielding peptidomimetic compounds [\rightarrow 56c, \rightarrow 56d].
- The *Petasis* reaction (also known as the *Petasis* boronic acid-*Mannich* reaction) is a 3-CR reaction. Its mechanism is not fully understood [\rightarrow 62b].
- **205** The *McMurry* coupling or the *McMurry* reaction mechanism is not fully understood. It is believed that the *low-valent titanium* species play a major role: Ti(0) + Ti(II) + Ti(III).
- 206 The *pinacol coupling* undergoes a **single electron transfer** (SET) mechanism [\rightarrow 57a, \rightarrow 57b]. This reaction is related to the **McMurry** coupling and the *acyloin condensation* (covered in Chapter 7). Please do not confuse the *pinacol coupling* with the *pinacol-pinacolone rearrangement* covered in Chapter 76.
- **207** The reaction was likely first described around 1974 [\rightarrow 57c].
- **208** The *Meerwein–Ponndorf–Verley* (*MPV*) reduction is reversible. The reversed oxidation is called the *Oppenauer* oxidation. The equilibrium can be shifted toward <u>reduction</u> by removing the formed acetone from the reaction mixture (via distillation).
- **209** The *Oppenauer oxidation* is a reversed process of the *MPV reduction* (see Chapter 69).
- **210** The reaction was likely first described around 1925 by Meerwein and Verley [$\rightarrow 58a$, $\rightarrow 58b$], and then in 1926 by Ponndorf [$\rightarrow 58c$].
- **211** The *Michael* addition or the *Michael* conjugate addition is also simply called *the Michael* reaction. The products are known

- as *Michael* adducts. It is one of the most important reactions in organic chemistry.
- **212** There are variations of this reaction; for example, the *retro-Michael addition* and the *Robinson annulation* (covered in Chapter 83).
- **213** The reaction was likely first described around 1887 $[\rightarrow 59b]$.
- 214 The mechanism of the *Stetter* reaction [\rightarrow 59a] is related to both the *Michael* addition and the *benzoin* condensation (Chapter 15). In case of <u>aromatic</u> aldehydes, it is catalyzed by **cyanide** ions.
- 215 The mechanism of the *Stetter* reaction [\rightarrow 59a] is related to both the *Michael* addition and the *benzoin* condensation (Chapter 15). In case of <u>aliphatic</u> aldehydes, it is catalyzed by **thiazolium** salts.
- The *Minisci* reaction is a type of **free** radical substitution (not covered in this book). The closely related mechanistic examples are the **S**_{RN}**1** mechanism (covered in Chapter 5), the *Barton* decarboxylation (covered in Chapter 12), and the *Wohl–Ziegler* reaction (covered in Chapter 99).
- **217** There are several variations of the *Minisci* reaction depending on the free radical sources: *Fenton's* reagent [\rightarrow 60a] and alkyl iodides; lead(IV) acetate [\rightarrow 60b] and carboxylic acids. The *Kolbe* electrolysis or the *Kolbe* reaction is also related [\rightarrow 60c].
- **218** The reaction was likely first described between 1968 and 1971 [\rightarrow 60d, \rightarrow 60e].

- 219 The *Mitsunobu* reaction mechanism is complicated but related to the (aliphatic) **nucleophilic substitution** (S_N2) covered in Chapter 2. Note that the p K_a of the NuH acid should be generally < 13 [\rightarrow 61a].
- **220** The *Mitsunobu* reaction has wide synthetic application and can convert alcohols into various products using different nucleophiles (Nu): 1. R–Nu, p K_a < 13; 2. alkylated products C–C; 3. esters C–O; 4. ethers C–O; 5. thioethers or thioesters C–S; 6. amines C–N; 7. azides C–N; 8. alkyl halides C–X; and so on [\rightarrow 61b, \rightarrow 61c].
- **221** The reaction was likely first described around 1967 [\rightarrow 61d, \rightarrow 61e].
- **222** In this example of ester formation via the *Mitsunobu* reaction mechanism, please notice the <u>inversion</u> of the stereochemistry in the final product. Compare with the *Fischer* esterification (\rightarrow Fig. 61.5) [\rightarrow 61f].
- In the case of the *Fischer* esterification mechanism [\rightarrow 61f], please notice the <u>retention</u> of the configuration of the chiral center in the final product. Compare with the *Mitsunobu* reaction (\rightarrow Fig. 61.4).
- **224** The *Miyaura* borylation is a type of **Pd**-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–B bond formation using aryl halides and bis(pinacolato)diboron or B_2pin_2 [\rightarrow 62a]). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism is shown. The synthesized boronic esters (and their related boronic acids) are one of the most important reagents in synthetic organic and medicinal chemistry.

- 225 Many *key cross-coupling* reactions utilize *boronic esters* (and their related *boronic acids*): the *Suzuki cross-coupling* (covered in Chapter 89), the *Chan–Evans–Lam cross-coupling* (covered in Chapter 23), and *Liebeskind–Srogl cross-coupling* (covered in Chapter 55). The *Petasis reaction* is a mechanistically different three-component reaction, but it uses boronic acids as well $[\rightarrow 62b]$.
- **226** The reaction was likely first described around 1995 [\rightarrow 62c].
- **227** The revised *Mukaiyama RedOx hydration* mechanism was recently proposed by **Nojima** [\rightarrow 63a].
- **228** The original *Mukaiyama* oxidation–reduction hydration mechanism was by **Mukaiyama** [\rightarrow 63b, \rightarrow 63c, \rightarrow 63d]. The *Mukaiyama* oxidation–reduction hydration should not be confused with the *Mukaiyama* aldol addition reaction (not shown). It follows *Markovnikov's rule*. The *Mukaiyama* oxidation–reduction hydration is a safe alternative to the oxymercuration–reduction reaction (Chapters 20 and 52).
- **229** The reaction was likely first described around 1989 [\rightarrow 63b, \rightarrow 63c, \rightarrow 63d].
- **230** The *Nazarov cyclization reaction* is a pericyclic reaction with a concerted mechanism. This is an example of a $[4\pi]$ *conrotatory electrocyclization*.
- The *Woodward–Hoffmann* rules (the pericyclic selection rules) [\rightarrow 64a, \rightarrow 64b] for the *electrocyclization reactions*. Please note that the *Nazarov* cyclization is a *conrotatory* process (4n = 4π), which is allowed at the ground state = under thermal conditions or control (Δ). An example of [6π] *electrocyclization* below should be a *disrotatory* process (4n + 2 = 6π), which is

- allowed at the ground state (Δ). The outcome at the excited state = under photochemical conditions or control ($h\nu$) should be reverse [\rightarrow 64c].
- There are numerous examples of other [4n] *electrocyclic* and [4n + 2] *electrocyclic reactions*. The *Pauson–Khand* reaction (see Chapter 73) undergoes a different mechanism, but it also yields *cyclopentenones*.
- **233** The reaction was likely first described around 1941 [\rightarrow 64d, \rightarrow 64e]; see also [\rightarrow 64f, \rightarrow 64g].
- 234 The classic *Nef reaction* is catalyzed by an acid and yields *aldehydes* and *ketones*. A base is needed to convert a primary (1°) or secondary (2°) *nitroalkane* into its conjugate base (*nitronic acid*). The tertiary (3°) nitroalkanes do not react.
- 235 The mechanism of the *Nef* reaction can change and go through a *hydroxamic acid* intermediate if a strong acid (exclusively) is used with a primary (1°) *nitroalkane*. In this case, a *carboxylic acid* is formed [\rightarrow 1, \rightarrow 65a]. Please note that the reaction was likely first reported by Konovalov [\rightarrow 65b].
- **236** The reaction was likely first described around 1894 [\rightarrow 65c, \rightarrow 65d].
- **237** The **Negishi** cross-coupling is a type of **Pd**-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using aryl halides and organozinc compounds). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism is shown. Note that the (1) concerted oxidative addition step to a low-coordinate (14e⁻) **Pd**-complex is more complicated [\rightarrow 2a].

- The *Negishi* cross-coupling can be *Ni*-catalyzed. Note the possible example of an (2) *SET* oxidative addition step to a *Ni*-complex (not necessarily at play in the example shown) [\rightarrow 2a].
- **239** The reaction was likely first described around 1977 [\rightarrow 66]. In **2010**, Ei-ichi Negishi (jointly with Richard F. Heck and Akira Suzuki) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of **Pd**-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions [\rightarrow 46c].
- 240 The *Norrish type I* reaction is a photochemical decomposition (α-cleavage) of aldehydes and ketones. The products are formed after initial fragmentation and subsequent disproportionation or (re)combination of radical species. Upon direct irradiation of aromatic ketones (benzophenone), the reaction usually occurs from the <u>triplet</u> excited state $T_1 = {}^3(n, \pi^*)$ [$\rightarrow 2b$].
- 241 The *Norrish type II reaction* is a photochemical intramolecular **γ-H abstraction**. The products are formed due to *fragmentation*, *(re)combination*, or the *Yang cyclization* of 1,4-biradicals. The reaction may occur from the $\underline{singlet}$ $S_1 = {}^1(n, \pi^*)$ or $\underline{triplet}$ excited state $T_1 = {}^3(n, \pi^*)$ [$\rightarrow 2b$].
- **242** The **type I** and **II** reactions were likely first described between 1932 and 1935 [\rightarrow 67a, \rightarrow 67b, \rightarrow 67c, \rightarrow 67d] or possibly earlier; see also [\rightarrow 67e, \rightarrow 67f]. In **1967**, Ronald George Wreyford Norrish (jointly with Manfred Eigen and George Porter) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry [\rightarrow 67g].
- **243** The *Ru*-catalyzed olefin (alkene) metathesis mechanism starts with the stable catalyst (16e⁻) initiation cycle (a): theoretically it can go either via a dissociative pathway (14e⁻), or

- an associative pathway (18e⁻), and an interchange pathway is not shown here [\rightarrow 68a].
- 244 After the loss of *styrene*, the *main catalytic cycle* (*b*) continues with the "*active*" catalyst. Please note that the mechanism is rather complex and varies significantly depending on the substrate and catalyst. For teaching purposes, a simplified and general example is shown.
- **245** The reaction was likely first described around 1955 [\rightarrow 68b, \rightarrow 68c]. In **2005**, Yves Chauvin, Robert H. Grubbs, and Richard R. Schrock received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of the *metathesis* transformations [\rightarrow 68d].
- **246** The most common catalysts used in the *Ru*-catalyzed olefin metathesis are *Grubbs'* catalysts (first and second generation) $[\rightarrow 68e, \rightarrow 68f]$ and *Hoveyda–Grubbs'* catalysts (first and second generation) $[\rightarrow 68g]$.
- 247 The metathesis reactions can be classified as: 1. CM = XMET (olefin cross-metathesis); 2. ROMP (ring-opening metathesis polymerization); 3. ADMET (acyclic diene metathesis polymerization); 4. RCAM (ring-closing alkyne metathesis) and NACM (nitrile-alkyne cross-metathesis); 5. EYM (enyne metathesis); 6. RCEYM (ring-closing enyne metathesis); 7. RCM (ring-closing metathesis); and 8. ROM (ring-opening metathesis).
- 248 The *Oppenauer* oxidation is reversible. The reversed reduction is called the *Meerwein–Ponndorf–Verley* (MPV) reduction. The equilibrium can be shifted towards <u>oxidation</u> by adding the excess of acetone.
- **249** The *MPV* reduction is a reversed process of the *Oppenauer* oxidation. It is also covered in Chapter 58.

- **250** The reaction was likely first described around 1937 [\rightarrow 69].
- **251** The *ozonolysis* mechanism was first proposed by Criegee $[\to 70a, \to 70b, \to 70c]$; thus, it is often called the *Criegee* mechanism (it is different from the *Criegee* oxidation covered in Chapter 29). Formally, the first step of ozonolysis is a 1,3-dipolar cycloaddition reaction or a (3 + 2)-cycloadditon reaction.
- **252** The *Malaprade–Lemieux–Johnson* reagent [\rightarrow 70d] is an alternative to the use of *ozone* [\rightarrow 70e], followed by Ph₃P or Me₂S to form *aldehydes* and *ketones*. The *Lemieux* reagent [\rightarrow 70f] is an alternative to the use of *ozone*, followed by H₂O₂, to form *carboxylic acids* and *ketones*.
- 253 The Malaprade–Lemieux–Johnson reaction (oxidation) is an alternative to the ozonolysis reaction under Ph₃P or Me₂S conditions. The **Upjohn** dihydroxylation (covered in Chapter 93) followed by the **Malaprade** oxidation (covered in Chapter 29) can be also used as an alternative to ozonolysis.
- **254** The reaction was likely first described around 1840 $[\rightarrow 70g]$, and the mechanism was proposed around 1975 $[\rightarrow 70b, \rightarrow 70c]$.
- **255** An example of the *ozonolysis* reaction mechanism of (1R,4S)-7,7-dimethyl-2-methylenebicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (also known as (-)- α -fenchene).
- **256** An example of an anomalous (interrupted) *ozonolysis* reaction mechanism of (1S,4S)-7,7-dimethyl-2-methylenebicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-1-ol yielding two unexpected products [\rightarrow 70h].

- **257** The *Paal–Knorr* synthesis is a reaction that was initially proposed for the synthesis of *furans* and *pyrroles*: the *Paal–Knorr furan synthesis*.
- 258 The *Paal–Knorr* thiophenes synthesis was adopted for the preparation of *thiophenes*, for example, by using *Lawesson's* reagent [\rightarrow 71a].
- **259** The *Paal–Knorr* pyrrole synthesis is a reaction that was initially proposed for the synthesis of <u>pyrroles</u>. It should not be confused with the *Knorr* pyrrole synthesis (not shown).
- **260** Thiophenes (2-aminothiophenes) can be prepared via the *Gewald* condensation (see Chapter 41).
- **261** The reaction was likely first described around 1884 [\rightarrow 71b, \rightarrow 71c].
- The *Paternò-Büchi* reaction is a photochemical $[2_π + 2_π]$ or [2+2]-cycloaddition reaction. The *Woodward–Hoffmann* rules [→ 64a, → 64b, → 64c]: this reaction (4n = 4π) is <u>not</u> allowed at the ground state = under thermal conditions (Δ) but <u>allowed</u> at the excited state = under photochemical conditions (hν)[→ 2b].
- **263** Compare the mechanistic similarities between the *Norrish type II* reaction (covered in Chapter 67) and the *Paternò-Büchi* cycloaddition reaction [\rightarrow 2b].
- **264** The reaction was likely described by Paternò around 1909 $[\rightarrow 72a]$ and by Büchi in 1954 $[\rightarrow 72b]$.
- **265** The *Pauson–Khand* reaction is a *Co-catalyzed* (2 + 2 + 1)-cycloaddition reaction.

- **266** There are several variations of this reaction: the *intramolecular Pauson–Khand reaction*, the *allenic Pauson–Khand reaction*, and others (not shown) [\rightarrow 73a]. Other metals can catalyze it: **Mo**, **Rh**, etc. The *Nazarov cyclization* undergoes a different [4π] *conrotatory electrocyclization* mechanism (Chapter 64), but it also yields *cyclopentenones*.
- **267** The reaction was likely first described around 1973 [\rightarrow 73b, \rightarrow 73c, \rightarrow 73d].
- **268** The *peptide* (*amide*) *coupling* mechanism is based on the use of *carbodiimide* coupling reagents (DCC) [\rightarrow 74a, \rightarrow 74b].
- **269** The *peptide* (*amide*) *coupling* mechanism is based on the use of *carbodiimide* coupling reagents and *additives* (DCC and HOBt) [\rightarrow 74a, \rightarrow 74b].
- **270** The *peptide* (amide) coupling mechanism is based on the use of *benzotriazole* = *guanidinium/uronium salts* coupling reagents (HBTU) [\rightarrow 74c].
- 271 The most common <u>reagents</u> used in the <u>peptide</u> (amide) coupling or the <u>peptide</u> synthesis are the **carbodiimide** reagents (DCC [\rightarrow 74d], EDC [\rightarrow 74e], and many other); **guanidinium/uronium salts** (HBTU [\rightarrow 74f], HATU [\rightarrow 74g]; and many more like <u>phosphonium salts</u> PyBOP [\rightarrow 74]). The most common <u>additives</u> (<u>catalysts</u>) used in the <u>peptide</u> synthesis are HOBt [\rightarrow 74i] and HOAt, among others.
- **272** A. The *peptide* (*amide*) *coupling* reaction was likely first described around 1901 [\rightarrow 74j]. B. DCC coupling reagent was likely first described around 1955 [\rightarrow 74k]. C. HBTU coupling reagent was likely first described around 1978 [74l].

- 273 The *Pictet–Spengler* reaction or the *Pictet–Spengler* condensation mechanism is a combination of the *Mannich* condensation = the *imine* condensation (the *Shiff* base) (see Chapter 56) and the **aromatic electrophilic substitution** (the *arenium ion* mechanism or S_EAr , which was covered in Chapter 3).
- **274** The cyclization (S_EAr) step is allowed according to *Baldwin's rules*: **6-endo-trig** [\rightarrow 75a].
- 275 Several named reactions are related to the *Pictet Spengler reaction*: the *Bischler–Napieralski* cyclization (Chapter 19) and the *Pomeranz–Fritsch* reaction [\rightarrow 19a, \rightarrow 19b]. Both reactions yield *isoquinolines*.
- **276** The reaction was likely first described around 1911 $[\rightarrow 75b]$.
- 277 An example of the *Bischler–Napieralski* cyclization of *N*-phenethylacetamide yielding 1-methyl-3,4-dihydroisoquinoline.
- **278** The *Pomeranz–Fritsch* reaction [\rightarrow 19a, \rightarrow 19b] yielding 1-methylisoquinoline.
- **279** The *pinacol-pinacolone rearrangement* or simply the *pinacol rearrangement* mechanism is distantly related to the *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangement covered in Chapter 96. The *pinacol-pinacolone rearrangement* should not be confused with the *pinacol coupling* covered in Chapter 57. Please also note: *2,3-dimethylbutane-2,3-diol* is called *pinacol* and *3,3-dimethyl-2-butanone* is called *pinacolone*.
- **280** The *semi-pinacol rearrangement* mechanism [\rightarrow 1] is analogous to the *pinacol rearrangement*. It occurs in α -substituted

- alcohols. If $X = NH_2$, the reaction is called the **Tiffeneau–Demjanov** rearrangement [\rightarrow 76a, \rightarrow 76b].
- **281** The reaction was likely first described around 1860 [\rightarrow 76c].
- The *Polonovski* reaction can be called the *Polonovski* rearrangement. The key intermediate is an *iminium ion* (see the *Mannich* reaction in Chapter 56).
- **283** The **Polonovski–Potier** reaction is closely related [\rightarrow 77a, \rightarrow 77b]. Trifluoroacetic anhydride (TFAA) is used instead of acetic anhydride, and the iminium ion can be trapped with various nucleophiles.
- **284** The reaction was likely first described around 1927 [\rightarrow 77c].
- **285** The *Prilezhaev* reaction (in Russian Прилежаев) is a type of epoxidation, and it is often called the *Prilezhaev* epoxidation.
- **286** There are many ways to synthesize *epoxides*, such as: the **Sharpless** asymmetric epoxidation [\rightarrow 78a] (compare to the **Prilezhaev** epoxidation where a mixture of enantiomers is formed); the **Shi** asymmetric epoxidation [\rightarrow 78b]; and many more other examples (not shown) [\rightarrow 1].
- **287** The reaction was likely first described around 1909 [\rightarrow 78c].
- 288 The *Prins* reaction is a type of *condensation* with various possible products. Mechanistically (addition of a protonated *aldehyde* to an *alkene*), it is an example of the **electrophilic** addition covered in Chapter 1.
- **289** The *aza-Prins reaction* mechanism is related to the *Prins* reaction [\rightarrow 79a, \rightarrow 79b]. It yields the *piperidine* core (see *Baldwin's* rules mentioned in Chapter 75: **6-endo-trig**). Other variations

- exist: for example, the **Prins**-pinacol reaction (not shown here) $[\rightarrow 79c]$.
- **290** The reaction was likely first described around 1919 [\rightarrow 79d, \rightarrow 79e].
- **291** The *Pummerer* rearrangement can be called the *Pummerer* fragmentation.
- **292** The reaction was likely first described around 1909 $[\rightarrow 80a]$.
- **293** The *Polonovski* reaction mechanism (Chapter 77) is related to the *Pummerer* rearrangement. Here an amine oxide plays a similar role as a sulfoxide (in the *Pummerer* rearrangement) [-80b, -80c].
- The *Ramberg–Bäcklund* rearrangement or the *Ramberg–Bäcklund* reaction mechanism is a combination of the bimolecular **nucleophilic substitution** (S_N2), covered in Chapter 2, and subsequent concerted **elimination** (cheletropic elimination reaction) [\rightarrow 1a] and [\rightarrow 81a].
- **295** There are several variations of the *Ramberg-Bäcklund* rearrangement; for example, the formation of alkynes instead of alkenes [\rightarrow 81b] and [\rightarrow 1a]. The S_N2 step in the *Favorskii* rearrangement (covered in Chapter 37) is related to the *Ramberg-Bäcklund* rearrangement.
- **296** The reaction was likely first described around 1940 [\rightarrow 81c].
- **297** The *Reformatsky* reaction (condensation) (also spelled Reformatskii, and in Russian Сергей Николаевич

- Реформатский or C. H. Реформатский) mechanistically is much like the *aldol condensation* reaction (see Chapter 83).
- **298** The *Blaise* reaction is a variation of the *Reformatsky* reaction [\rightarrow 82a, \rightarrow 82b]. Here, the preformed *Reformatsky* enolate (*C-Zn* or *O-Zn* enolate) reacts with a nitrile instead of an aldehyde or ketone.
- **299** The reaction was likely first described around 1887 [\rightarrow 82].
- **300** The *Robinson* annulation mechanism is a cascade of the *Michael* conjugate addition (see Chapter 59), followed by the *aldol* condensation, and finally **E1cB** elimination (see Chapter 6).
- **301** The base-catalyzed aldol condensation can yield β -hydroxy aldehydes (**aldols**). The aldols can undergo an elimination and yield crotonaldehydes (the croton condensation = crotonation) [-1].
- **302** The reaction was likely first described around 1935 $[\rightarrow 83a]$. In **1947**, Sir Robert Robinson received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work related to alkaloids $[\rightarrow 83b]$.
- **303** The *Shapiro* reaction is a type of **elimination** reaction that undergoes the *carbanion* mechanism.
- 304 The *Bamford–Stevens* reaction is a more general variation of the *Shapiro* reaction. Two mechanisms are possible: the carbene mechanism and the carbocation (carbenium ion) mechanism. [\rightarrow 84a].
- **305** The reaction was likely first described around 1967 $[\rightarrow 84b]$; see also $[\rightarrow 84c, \rightarrow 84d]$.

- The **Sonogashira** cross-coupling is a type of mixed **Pd**-catalyzed and **Cu**-co-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using aryl halides and <u>terminal</u> alkynes). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism (with two catalytic cycles using **Pd** and **Cu**) is shown.
- 307 The *Castro–Stephens* cross-coupling is *Cu-catalyzed* and closely related (C–C bond formation using *aryl halides* and preformed or *in situ* generated *copper(I) acetylides*) [\rightarrow 85a]. Other cross-coupling reactions are also related to the *Sonogashira cross-coupling*: the *Suzuki* (Chapter 89), the *Stille* (Chapter 88), the *Negishi* (Chapter 66), and the *Kumada* cross-coupling (Chapter 53).
- **308** The reaction was likely first described around 1975 $[\rightarrow 85b]$.
- **309** The **Staudinger** reaction (reduction) is a reduction of azides to primary amines using triphenylphosphine. It should not be confused with the **Staudinger** synthesis or the **Staudinger** ketene cycloaddition reaction (for example, formation of β-lactams) [-86a, -86b].
- **310** The **Staudinger** ligation [\rightarrow 86c, \rightarrow 86d] is a modification of the **Staudinger** reaction: in this case, the generated *aza-ylide* is trapped with an *ester* to form an *amide* bond. There are two general types: *non-traceless* and *traceless* **Staudinger** ligation [\rightarrow 86e].
- 311 The reaction was likely first described around 1919 [86f]. In 1953, Hermann Staudinger received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work in macromolecular chemistry [86g]. In 2022, Carolyn R. Bertozzi, Morten Meldal, and K. Barry Sharpless

- received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of click chemistry and bioorthogonal chemistry [\rightarrow 30q, \rightarrow 30h].
- **312** Types of the **Staudinger** ligation: <u>non-traceless</u> and <u>traceless</u> **Staudinger** ligation [\rightarrow 86d, \rightarrow 86e, \rightarrow 86h].
- **313** Types of the *Staudinger ligation*: *non-traceless* and *traceless* **Staudinger** *ligation* [\rightarrow 86d, \rightarrow 86e, \rightarrow 86h].
- 314 The *Steglich* esterification is an ester coupling reaction (compare to the peptide (amide) coupling mechanism in Chapter 74 or the *Fischer* esterification, Fig. 61.5). The mechanism involves the use of *carbodiimide* coupling reagents (DCC) and DMAP catalyst [\rightarrow 87a].
- **315** The reaction was likely first described around 1978 $[\rightarrow 87b]$.
- The **Steglich** esterification can be carried out with DCC in the presence of other *peptide* (amide) coupling additives (for example, HOBt) with or without DMAP catalyst.
- The **Stille** cross-coupling or the **Migita–Kosugi–Stille** cross-coupling is a versatile type of **Pd**-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using aryl halides or other electrophiles and organotin compounds = organostannanes). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism is shown.
- **318** The *carbonylative* **Stille** *cross-coupling* is related to the **Stille** *cross-coupling*. It is a method to form *ketones* (two C–C bond formations using *aryl halides* or other *electrophiles*, *organostannanes*, and *carbon monoxide*) [\rightarrow 88a]. Ketones can also be formed via the **Fukuyama** *cross-coupling* (C–C bond formation using *thioesters* and *organozinc compounds*) [\rightarrow 88b] or

- the *Liebeskind–Srogl* cross-coupling covered in Chapter 55 (C–C bond formation using *thioesters* and *boronic* acids).
- **319** The reaction was likely first described around 1978 [\rightarrow 88c, \rightarrow 88d].
- 320 The *Suzuki* cross-coupling or the *Suzuki-Miyaura* cross-coupling is a type of *Pd*-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction (C–C bond formation using aryl halides and organoboronic acids). It is one of the most important reactions in synthetic organic and medicinal chemistry. The oxo-*Pd* pathway (a) is the preferred mechanism [\rightarrow 89a].
- **321** The reaction mechanism can be also explained by the boronate pathway (**b**). For teaching purposes, a simplified and general mechanism is shown $[\rightarrow 89b]$.
- **322** The reaction was likely first described around 1979 [\rightarrow 89c, \rightarrow 89d]. In **2010**, Akira Suzuki (jointly with Richard F. Heck and Eiichi Negishi) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of **Pd**-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions [\rightarrow 46c].
- 323 [1,1'-Bis(diphenylphosphino)ferrocene]dichloropalladium(II) or $Pd(dppf)Cl_2$ is one of the most common Pd catalysts [\rightarrow 89e, \rightarrow 89g].
- 324 Tetrakis(triphenylphosphine)palladium(0) or $Pd(PPh_3)_4$ is one of the most common Pd catalysts [\rightarrow 89f, \rightarrow 89g].
- The *Swern* oxidation is one of the most important reactions in synthetic organic and medicinal chemistry.

- **326** There are numerous variations of the **Swern** oxidation: the **Swern** variation using TFAA and DMSO [\rightarrow 90a] or carbodiimide reagent (DCC) and DMSO [\rightarrow 90b]. Several important named oxidation reactions yield *ketones* from *alcohols*: the **Dess–Martin** oxidation (Chapter 33) and the **Jones** oxidation (Chapter 51).
- **327** The reaction was likely first described around 1976 $[\rightarrow 90a]$; see also $[\rightarrow 90c, \rightarrow 90d]$.
- The *Ugi* reaction or the *Ugi* condensation is a type of multicomponent reaction (MCR): a four-component reaction (4-CR).
- **329** The *Passerini* reaction is mechanistically related to the *Ugi* reaction [\rightarrow 91a, \rightarrow 91b]. The product formation can be rationalized either via (1) the *concerted* mechanism or (2) the *ionic* mechanism. Other 3-CR's were also mentioned in this book: the *Gewald* reaction (Chapter 41), the *Mannich* reaction (Chapter 56), the *Petasis* reaction (Chapter 62), and the *Pauson–Khand* reaction (Chapter 73).
- **330** The reaction was likely first described around 1959 [\rightarrow 91c].
- The *Ullmann* aryl–aryl coupling or the *Ullmann* reaction is a *Cu-mediated coupling* (C–C bond formation using aryl halides). The mechanism is not fully understood. A possible formation of organocopper intermediates (Cu(I) or Cu(II)) is postulated: mechanism I (a).
- **332** The reaction was likely first described around 1901 [\rightarrow 92a, \rightarrow 92b].
- 333 The aromatic radical nucleophilic substitution ($S_{RN}1$) mechanism (Chapter 5) is another explanation for the formation

- of the *symmetrical* or *asymmetrical biaryl* products: mechanism II (**b**).
- 334 The *Ullmann* biaryl ether and biaryl amine coupling reaction is more synthetically useful [\rightarrow 92c, \rightarrow 92d]. It is also a *Cumediated coupling* (C–O and C–N bond formation using *aryl halides* with *phenols* or *anilines*) [\rightarrow 92e]. An alternative way to synthesize *aryl ethers* and *amines* is via the *Chan–Evans–Lam* cross-coupling (Chapter 23).
- The mechanism varies and depends on the type of substrates, ligands, and other factors. Here is an example of the *Ullmann* biaryl ether coupling catalyzed by Cu(I) with a neutral bidentate ligand (often N,N-bidentate ligand) [\rightarrow 92f, \rightarrow 92g].
- The mechanism varies and depends on the type of substrates, ligands, and other factors. Here is an example of the *Ullmann* biaryl amine coupling catalyzed by Cu(I) with a neutral bidentate ligand (often N,N-bidentate ligand) [\rightarrow 92f, \rightarrow 92g].
- 337 The *Upjohn* dihydroxylation (a) yields <u>racemic</u> products (cis-1,2-glycols = cis-1,2-diols) [\rightarrow 93a].
- **338** The reaction was likely first described around 1976 [\rightarrow 93f]. In **2001**, K. Barry Sharpless (together with William S. Knowles and Ryoji Noyori) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of chirally catalyzed oxidation and hydrogenation reactions [\rightarrow 93g].
- 339 The *Sharpless* asymmetric dihydroxylation is exemplified in a simplified mechanism (**b**). It is an asymmetric variation of the *Upjohn* dihydroxylation, and it yields enantiomerically pure products [\rightarrow 93b, \rightarrow 93c, \rightarrow 93d].

- 340 The *Baeyer* test (*Baeyer's* test) (potassium permanganate-based TLC stain) is a reaction related to the *Upjohn* dihydroxylation. It is used to detect the presence of double bonds (unsaturation) [\rightarrow 93e].
- 341 The *Vilsmeier–Haack* reaction or the *Vilsmeier–Haack* formylation is a classic example of **aromatic electrophilic** substitution (the *arenium ion* mechanism = S_EAr , covered in Chapter 3).
- 342 A few named reactions are related to the *Vilsmeier–Haack* reaction: the *Friedel–Crafts* formylation using dichloro(methoxy)methane (covered in Chapter 39) and the *Reimer–Tiemann* reaction using chloroform (limited to the orthoformylation of phenols) [\rightarrow 94a].
- **343** The reaction was likely first described around 1927 $[\rightarrow 94b]$.
- The *Wacker* oxidation or the *Wacker* process is a *Pd*-catalyzed and *Cu*-co-catalyzed alkene (olefin) oxidation. The mechanism can vary: mechanism (a) is proposed by Henry: *Henry's* syn-addition (inner-sphere) [\rightarrow 95a, \rightarrow 95b].
- **345** Mechanism (**b**) is proposed by Bäckvall: *Bäckvall's* antiaddition (outer-sphere) [\rightarrow 95a, \rightarrow 95b].
- **346** The reaction was likely first described around 1959 [\rightarrow 95c].
- 347 The *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangement is a rearrangement of newly formed *carbocations* into more stable carbocations (1° \rightarrow 2° \rightarrow 3°). This reaction is related to the *pinacol–pinacolone* rearrangement and the *Tiffeneau–Demjanov* rearrangement (Chapter 76).

- **348** The reaction was likely first described around 1899 by Wagner [\rightarrow 96a, \rightarrow 96b] and around 1914 by Meerwein [\rightarrow 96c].
- The generated *carbocations* rearrange into more stable species via either (a) 1,2-H shift (Y = H); (b) 1,2-alkyl shift (Y = R); or (c) 1,2-aryl shift (Y = Ar). **β–Elimination** reactions (**E1**) often accompany the *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangement [\rightarrow 1].
- **350** An **adamantane** (tricyclo[3.3.1.1^{3,7}]decane) can be prepared from various saturated polycyclic compounds via a sequence of isomerizations catalyzed by Lewis acids [\rightarrow 96d, \rightarrow 96e]. There are many possible pathways [\rightarrow 96f]. The key step in each pathway is the **Wagner-Meerwein** rearrangement (here, WM = 1,2-alkyl shift) and 1,2-H shift or 1,n-H shift (here, multiple sequential 1,2-H shifts) [\rightarrow 96g].
- 351 An adamantane (tricyclo[3.3.1.1^{3,7}]decane) can be prepared via a sequence of the *Wagner–Meerwein* rearrangements (WM) and 1,2-H shifts or 1,n-H shifts [\rightarrow 96f, \rightarrow 96g].
- **352** The *Weinreb ketone synthesis* is a synthetic procedure (preparation of *ketones*) based on the use of a named reagent: the *Weinreb amide* (*Weinreb-Nahm amide*) [\rightarrow 97a].
- 353 The *Weinreb amide* has wide synthetic application, and it can react with a variety of nucleophilic reagents: (a) *organolithium* and *organomagnesium* = *Grignard reagents*; (b) reducing reagents like DIBAL; (c) *phosphorus ylides* or *phosphoranes* [\rightarrow 97b]; and others [\rightarrow 1].
- **354** The reaction was likely first described around 1981 [\rightarrow 97c].

- 355 The *Wittig* reaction or the *Wittig* olefination relies on the use of phosphorus ylides or phosphoranes formed from the phosphonium salts [\rightarrow 98a].
- 356 Several reactions are closely related to the *Wittig reaction*: the *Wittig-Schlosser modification* (favoring *E*-alkenes with an excess of **PhLi** as a base) [\rightarrow 98b]. The *Horner–Wadsworth–Emmons olefination* (Chapter 50) relies on the use of *phosphonates* [PO(OR)₂R], often made via the *Arbuzov reaction* (Chapter 9).
- 357 The reaction was likely first described around 1954 [\rightarrow 98c, \rightarrow 98d]. In 1979, Georg Wittig (jointly with Herbert C. Brown) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of phosphorus (and boron) chemistry [\rightarrow 20c].
- 358 The *Wohl–Ziegler reaction*, or the *Wohl–Ziegler* bromination, is a type of the **free radical substitution** (see the *Minisci reaction* in Chapter 60).
- **359** The *free radical substitution* mechanisms usually feature three major steps: (**a**) *initiation*, (**b**) chain *propagation*, and (**c**) chain *termination*. A *free radical chlorination* of *alkanes* is a typical example [-1].
- **360** The reaction was likely first described around 1919 by Wohl [\rightarrow 99a] and around 1942 by Ziegler [\rightarrow 99b]. In **1963**, Karl Ziegler (jointly with Giulio Natta) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry [\rightarrow 99c].
- There are many modifications of the *Wolff–Kishner* reduction: for example, the *Huang–Minlon* modification and many others (not shown) [\rightarrow 100a].

- The *Clemmensen* reduction is closely related to the *Wolff–Kishner* reduction in terms of the product-type formation but not the mechanism [\rightarrow 100b].
- **363** The reaction was likely first described around 1911 by Kishner [\rightarrow 100c] and around 1912 by Wolff [\rightarrow 100d].