

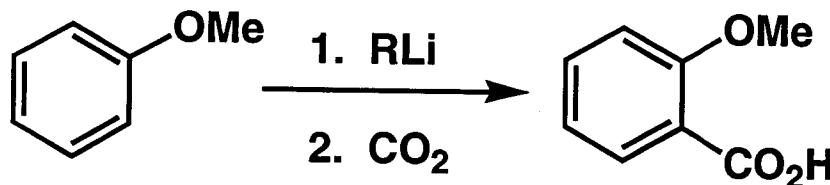
# **CARBANIONIC ROUTES TO SUBSTITUTED TOLYL SULFONAMIDES, ACRIDONES, AND *5H*-DIBENZO[b,f]AZEPIN-10-ONES**

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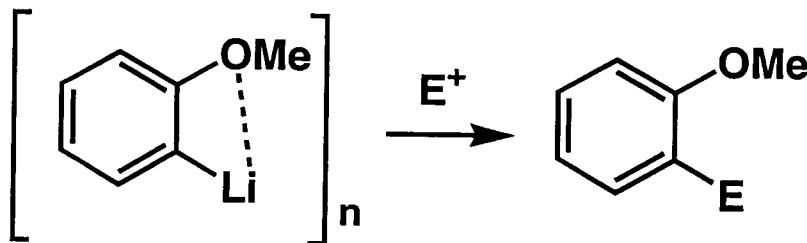
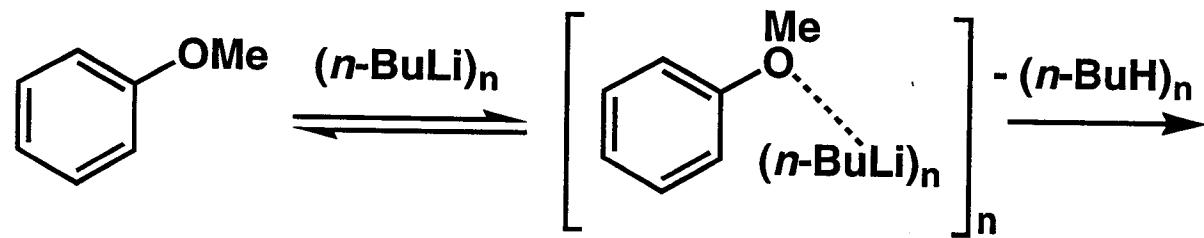
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# The Directed *ortho* Metalation (DoM) Reaction Discovery



Gilman, H.; Bebb, R.L. *J. Org. Chem.* 1939, 61, 109-112  
Wittig, G.; Fuhrnam, G. *Chem. Ber.* 1940, 73, 1197-1218

## Early Mechanistic Rationale



**DMG**  
Directed Metalation Group

Roberts, J.D.; Curtin, D.Y. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1946, 68, 1658-1660

# Development of DoM. Directed Metalation Groups

## C-based DMG

## Hetatom-based DMG

$\text{CON}^{\text{-}}\text{R}$	Hauser, 1964	$N\text{-}t\text{-BOC}$	Gschwend, 1979
	Gronowitz, 1968 Gschwend, 1976 Comins, 1983	$N\text{-CO}t\text{-Bu}$ $\text{OCH}_2\text{OMe}$ $\text{OCONEt}_2$ $\text{OCON(Me)C(Me)}_2\text{Ph}$	Muchowski, 1980 Christensen, 1975 Snieckus, 1983 Snieckus, 1999
	Meyers, Gschwend, 1975	$\text{SO}_2\text{N}^{\text{-}}\text{R}$ $\text{SO}_2\text{NR}_2$ $\text{SO}_2\text{NHC(Me)}_2\text{Ph}$ $\text{OCH}_2\text{OCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{TMS}$	Hauser, 1969 Snieckus, 1999 Snieckus, 1991 Snieckus, 1998
$\text{CONEt}_2$	Beak, 1977	$\text{P(O)(}t\text{-Bu})_2$	
$\text{CON(Me)CH(TMS)}_2$	Snieckus 1989		
	Snieckus, 1999		

Gilman, H.; Morton, Jr., J.W. *Org. React.* (N.Y.) 1954, 8, 258-304

Gschwend, H.W.; Rodriguez, H.R. *Org. React.* (N.Y.) 1979, 26, 1-360

Snieckus, V. *Heterocycles* 1980, 14, 1649-1676

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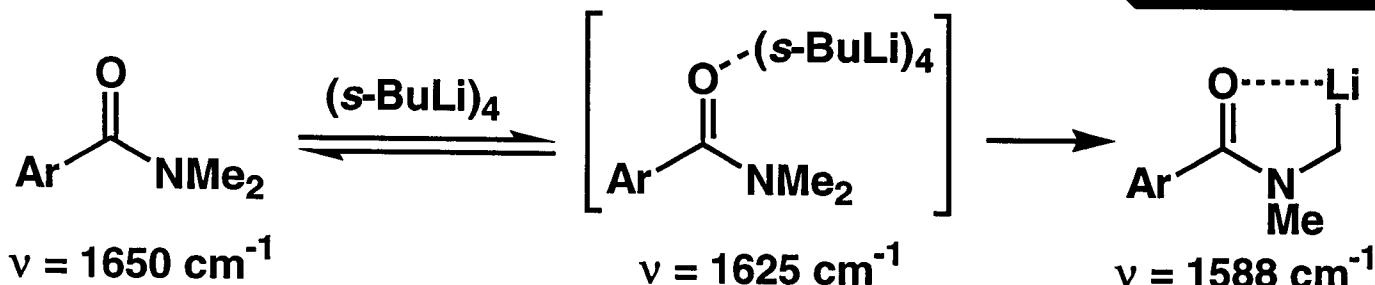
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Chauder, B.; Green, L.; Snieckus, V. *Pure Appl. Chem.* 1999, 71, 1521-1529

Green, L.; Chauder, B.; Snieckus, V. *J. Heterocyclic Chem.* 1999, 36, 1453-1468

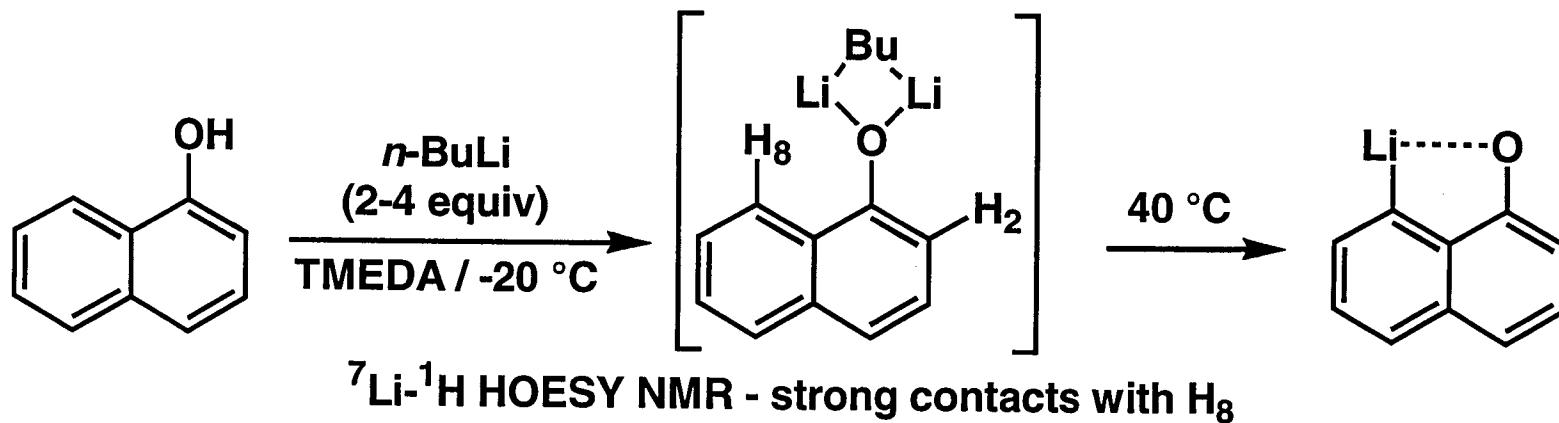
# Mechanism of Directed Metalation. The Complex-Induced Proximity Effect (CIPE)

Evidence from Stopped-flow IR:



Beak 83 JACS 2080, 88 JACS 8145

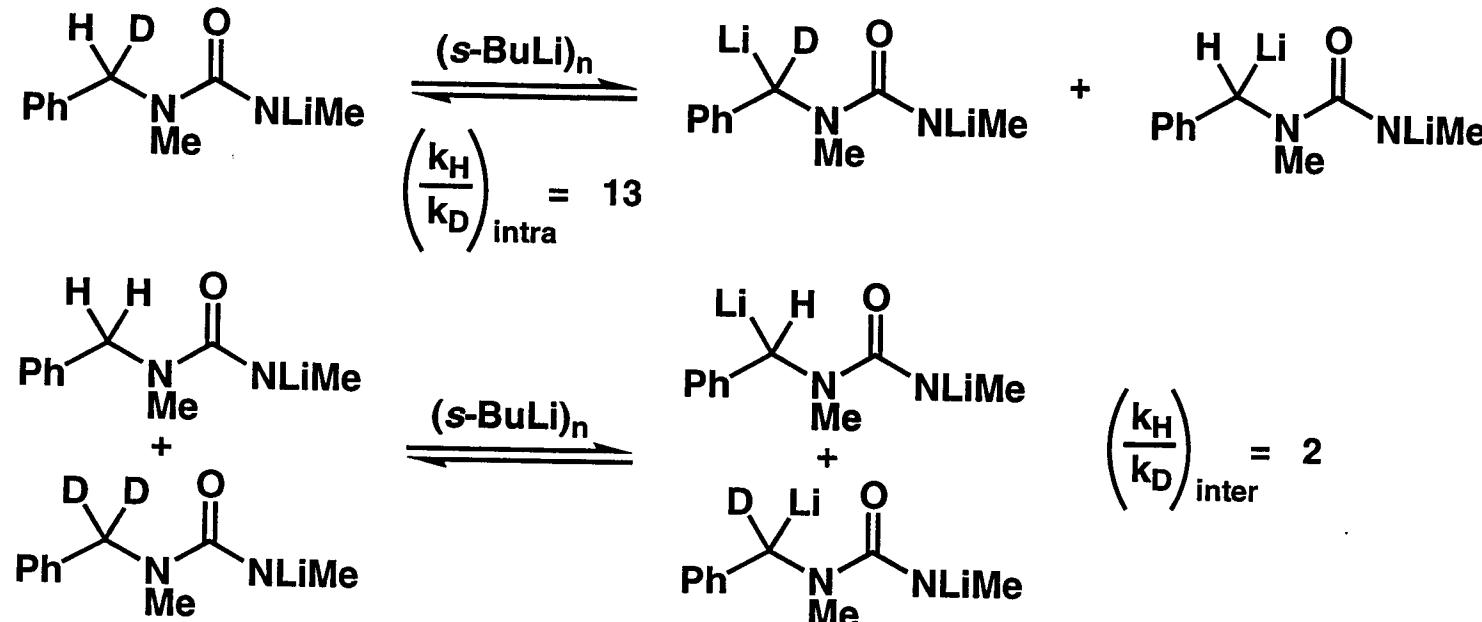
Direct NMR Evidence:



Sá 96 JOC 5194

# Mechanism of Directed Metalation. The Complex-Induced Proximity Effect (CIPE)

Support from Kinetic Isotope Effects:



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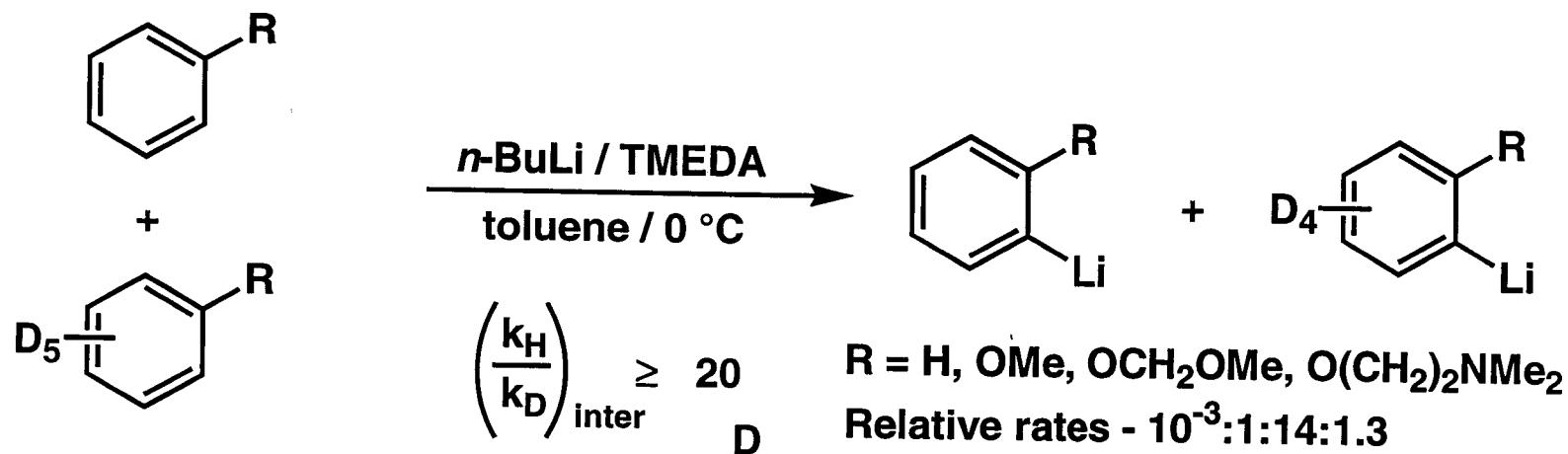
Effect of Directing Group Orientation on Competitive Efficiencies (CE) of Metalation:

<chem>c1ccccc1C(=O)N(iPr)R</chem>	R	dihedral angle (deg)	CE
	H	19	100
<i>i</i> Pr	89	17	
<i>t</i> Bu	91	9	
TMS	118	1	

Beak 95 JACS 10628, 01 JACS 315

# Mechanism of Directed Metalation. Inductive Effects

Support from KIEs, rate studies and *ab initio* calculations:



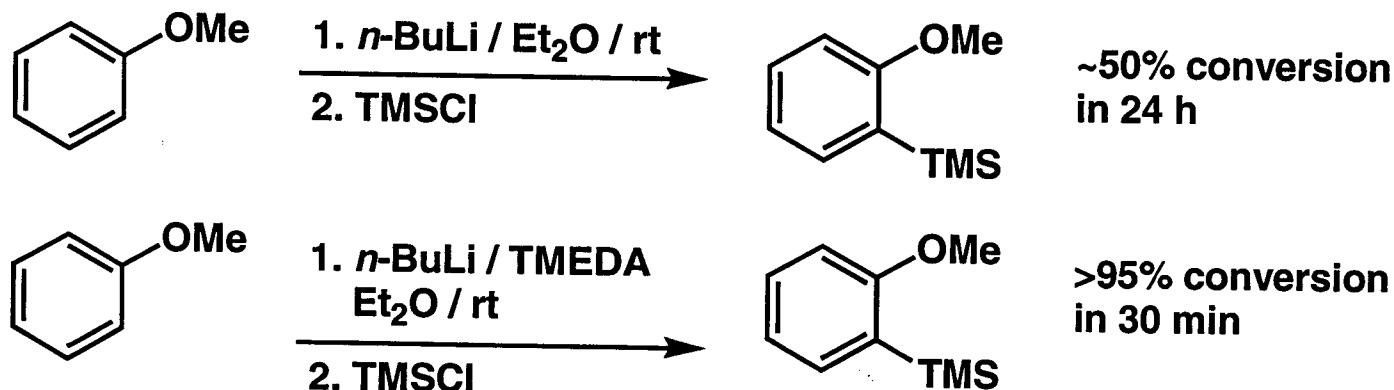
- substituent-dependent rates but substituent-independent mechanisms, i.e., all transition states have stoichiometry  $[(n\text{-BuLi})_2(\text{TMEDA})_2(\text{Ar-H})]$  suggest relative insignificance of CIPE
- supported by *ab initio* calculations showing minor or non-existent Li-alkoxy interactions in rate-limiting transition structures

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# Mechanism of Directed Metalation. Inductive Effects

Effects of TMEDA:

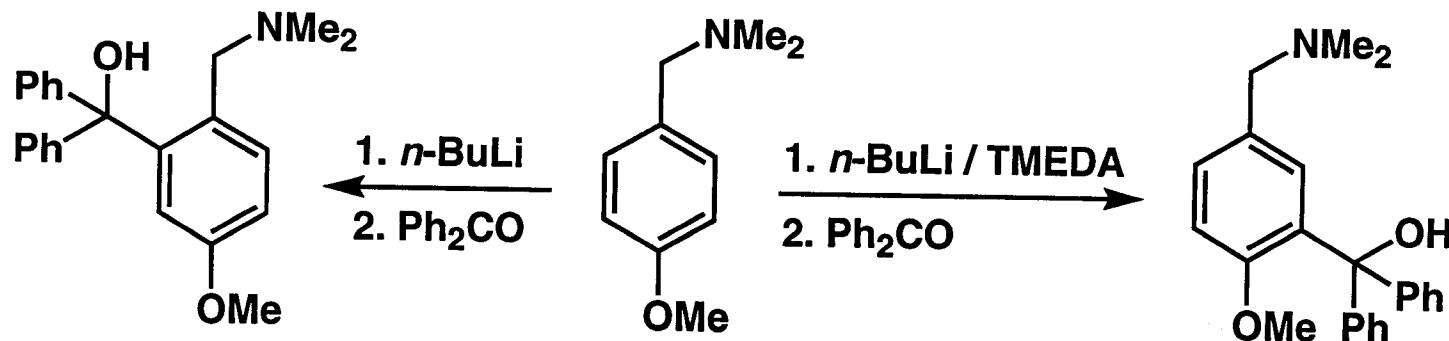
Rate Acceleration:



- coordination of methoxy group is slow as a result of ground state resonance; addition of TMEDA gives metalation without coordination

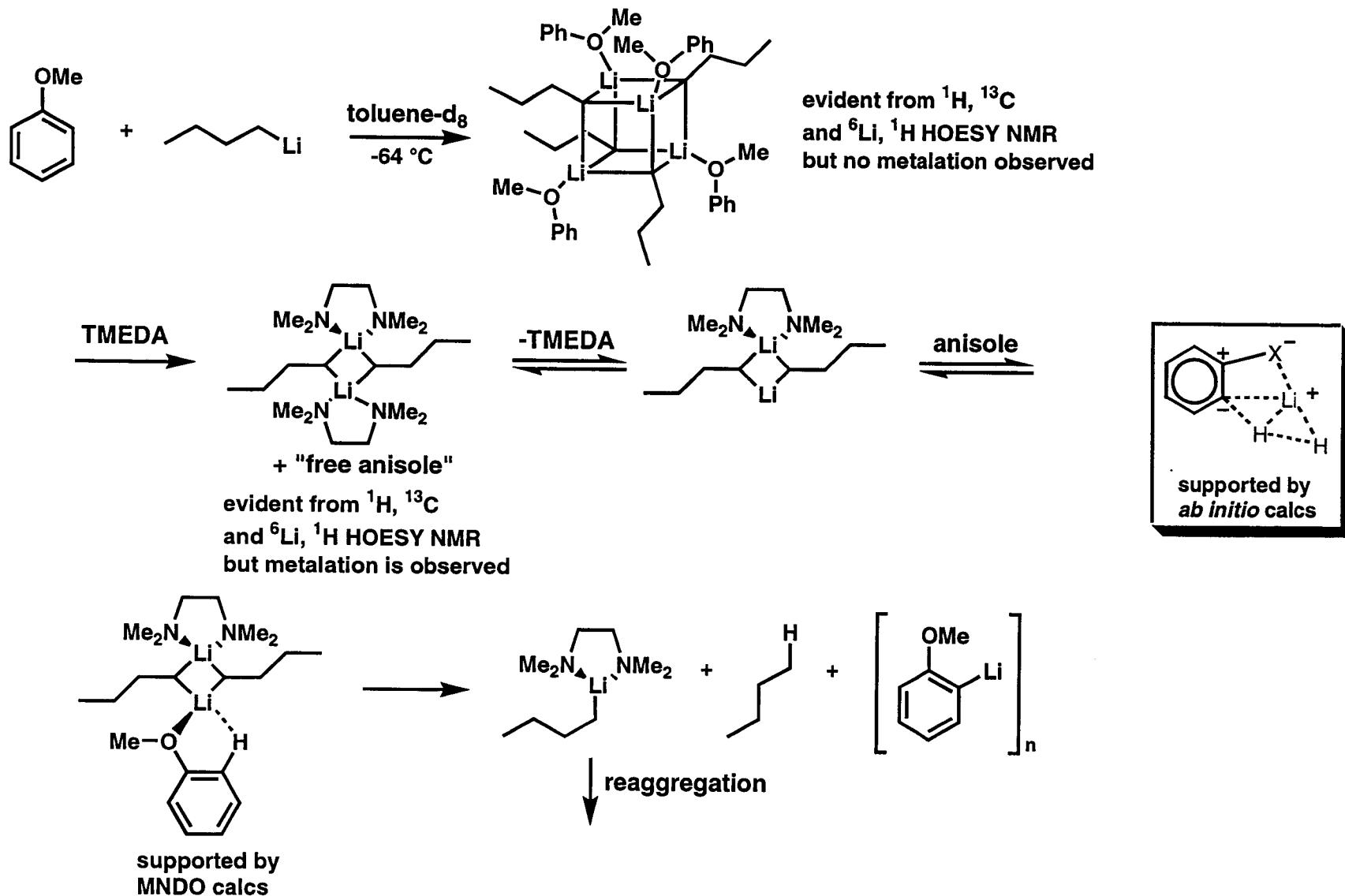
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Regioselectivity of Metalation:

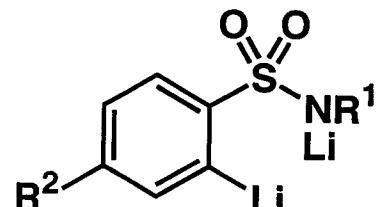


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# Mechanism of Directed Metalation. Kinetically Enhanced Metalation

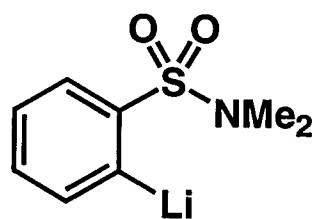


# Renaissance of Sulfonamide Metalation Chemistry

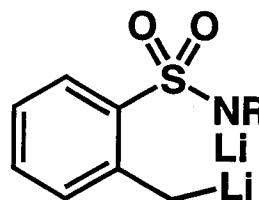


$\text{R}^1 = \text{Me, Ph}; \text{R}^2 = \text{H}$   
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Hauser      DoM  
68 *JOC* 900

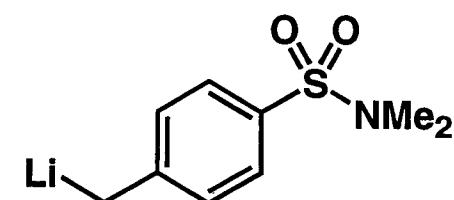


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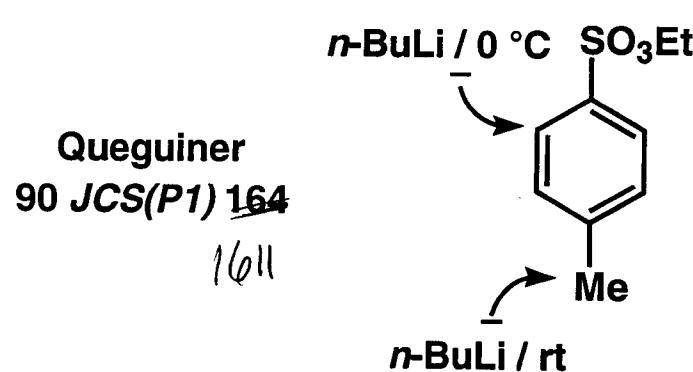
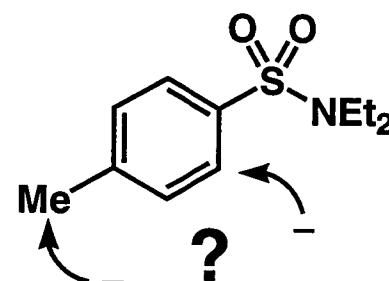
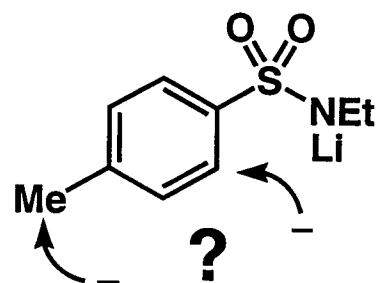


$\text{R} = \text{Me, Ph}$

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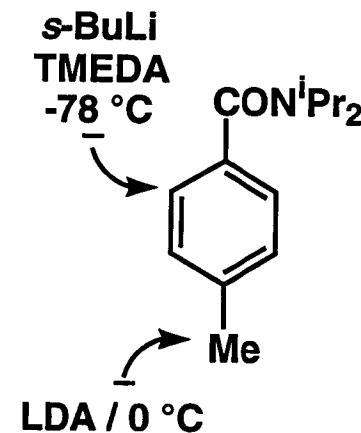


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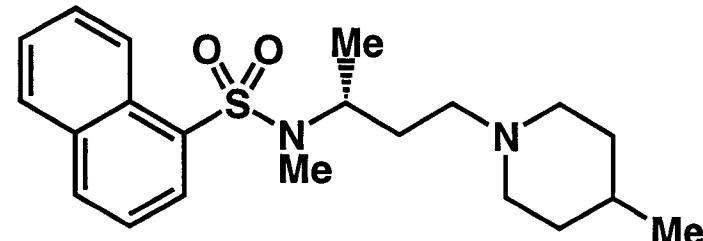
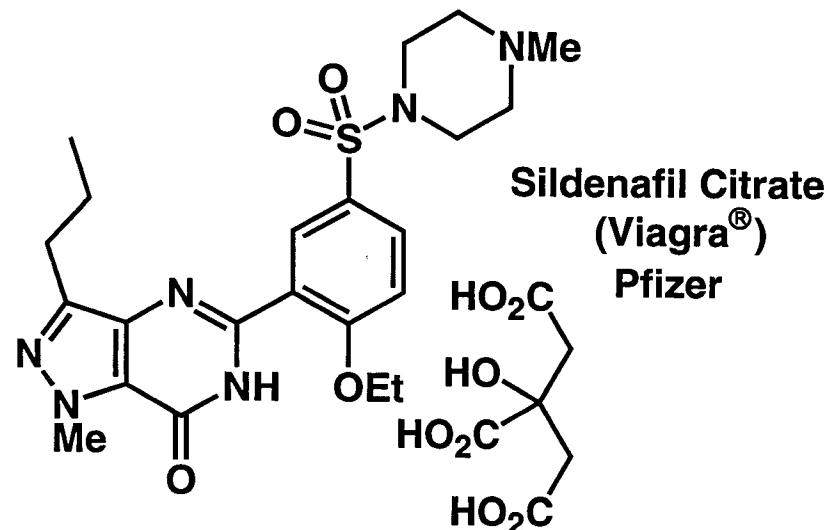
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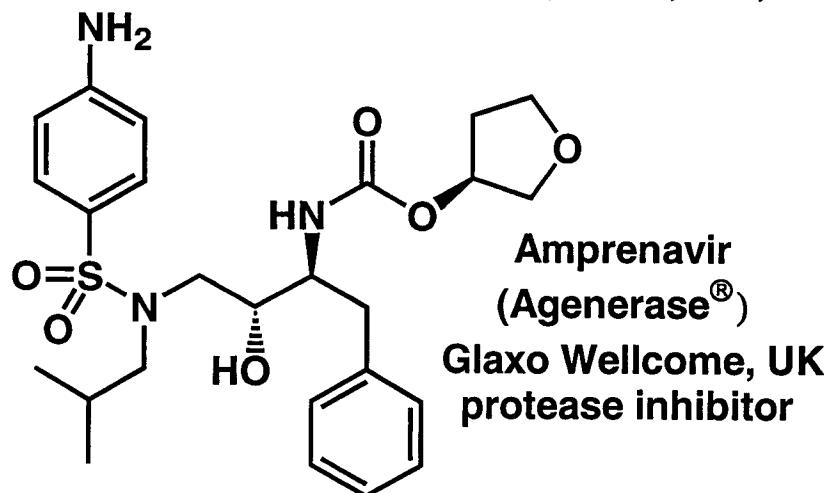
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# Aromatic Sulfonamides as Drug Entities

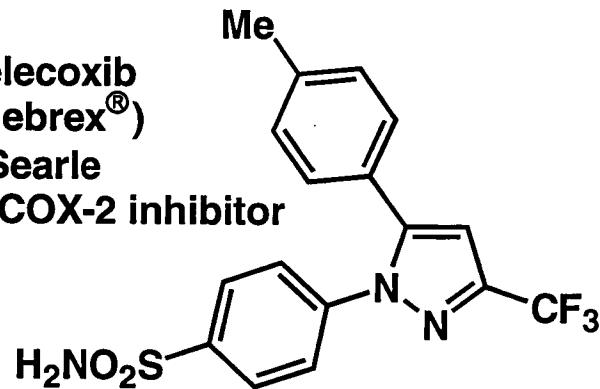


**SmithKline Beecham**  
antidepressant  
(5-HT7 antagonist)

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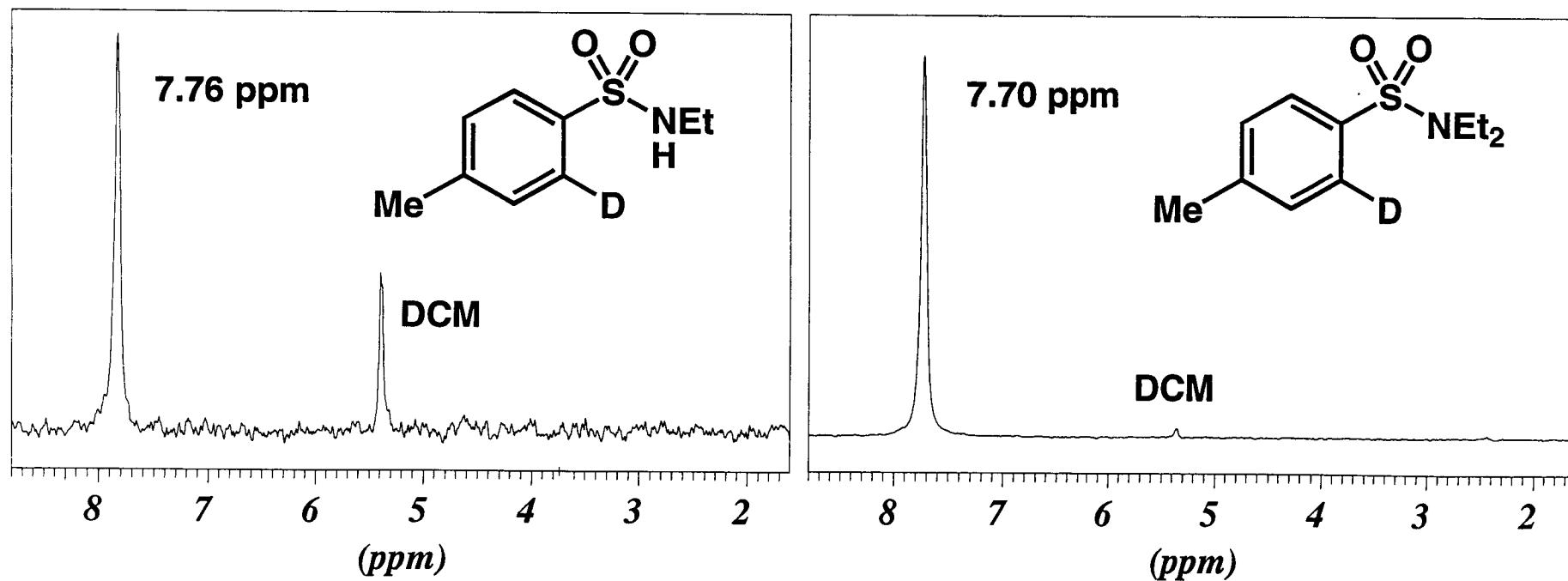
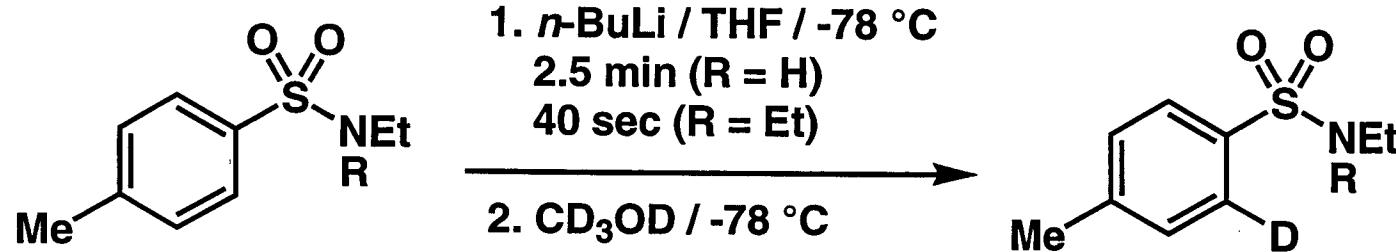
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(Celebrex®)  
Searle  
selective COX-2 inhibitor



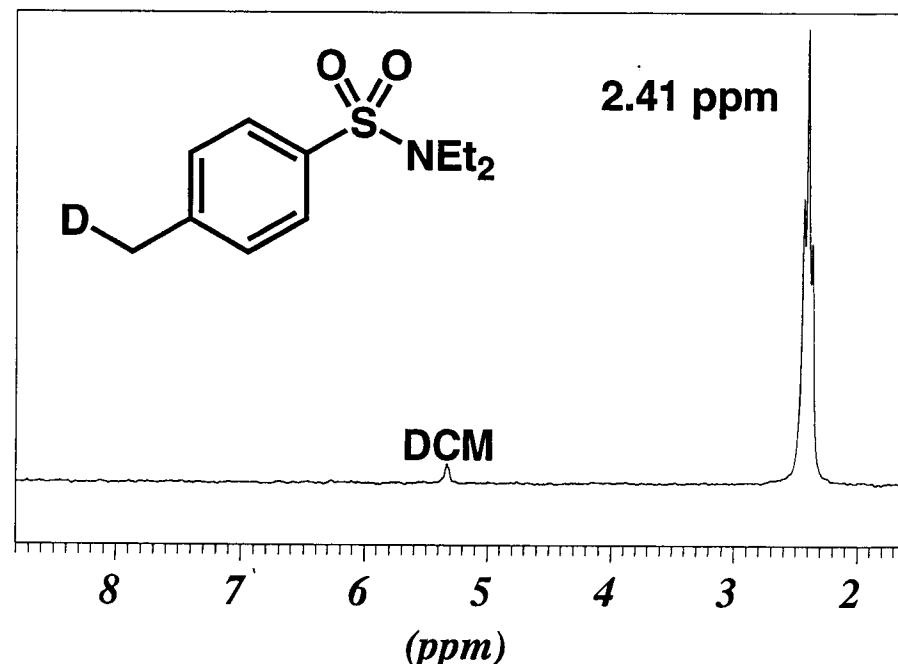
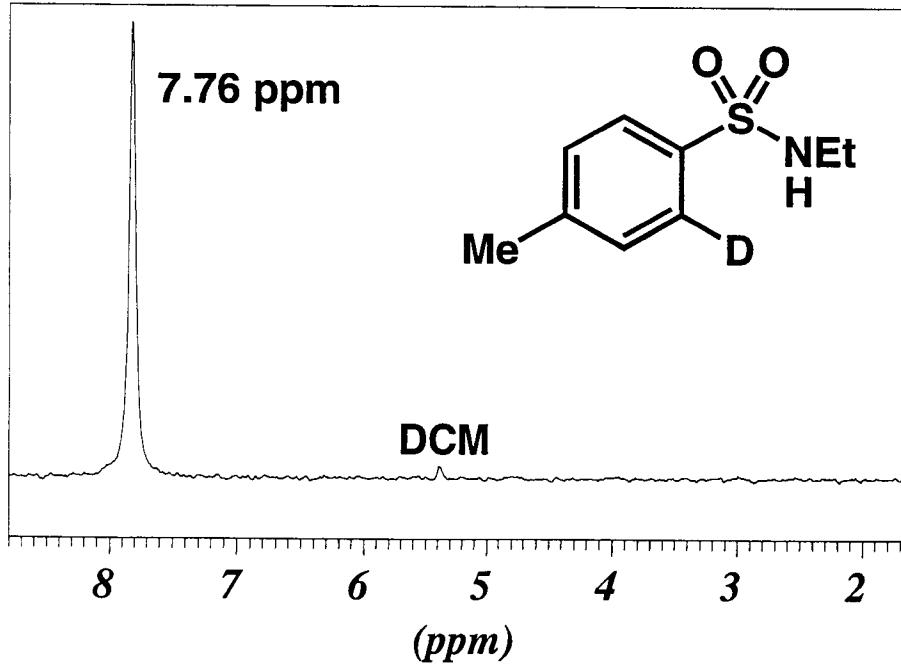
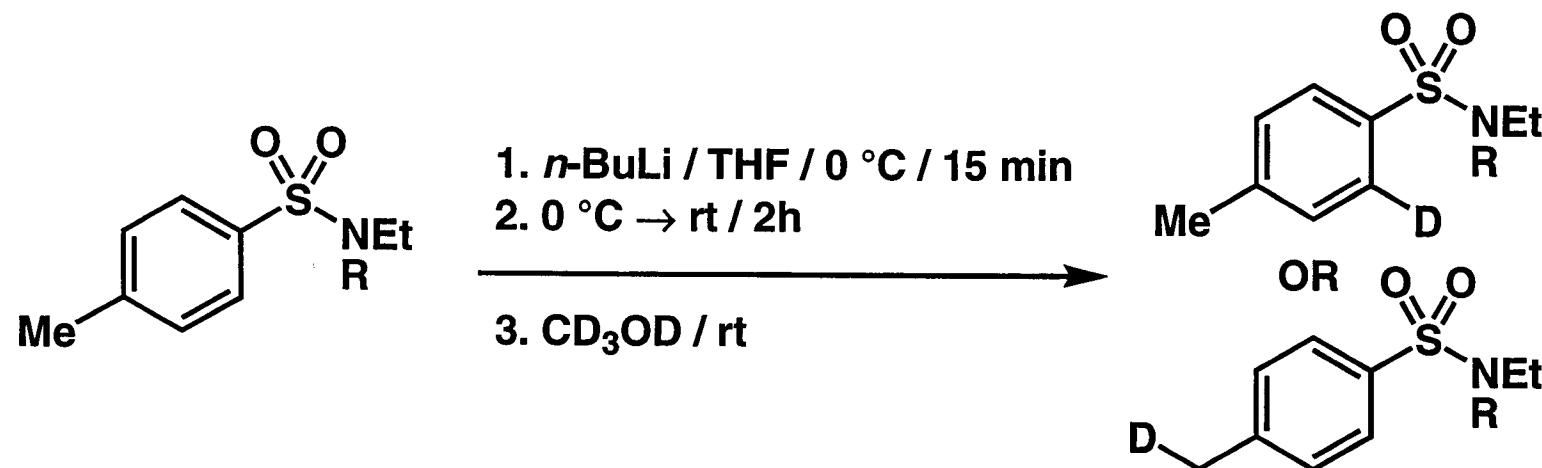
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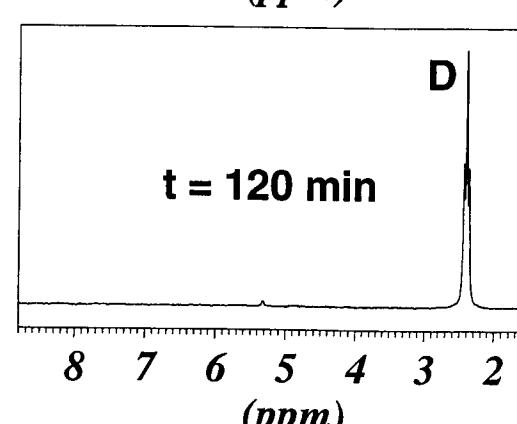
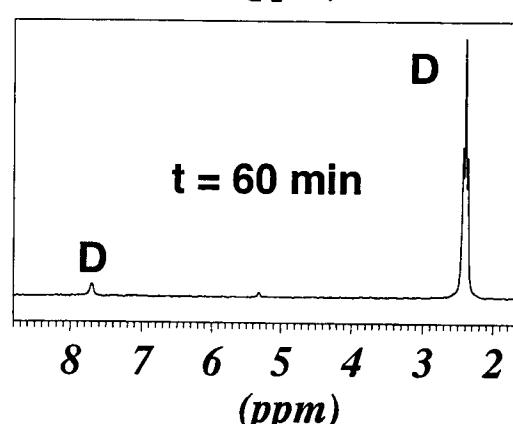
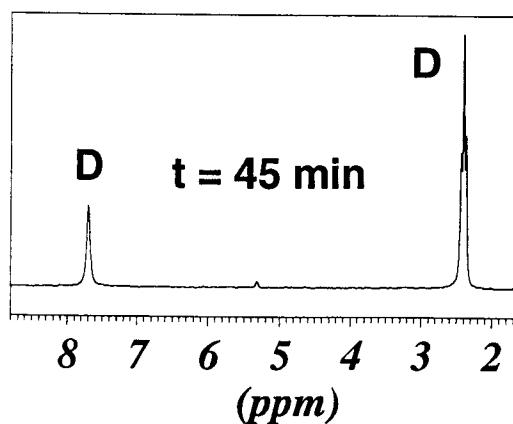
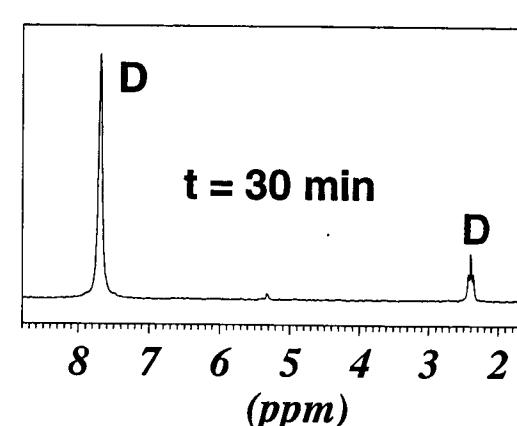
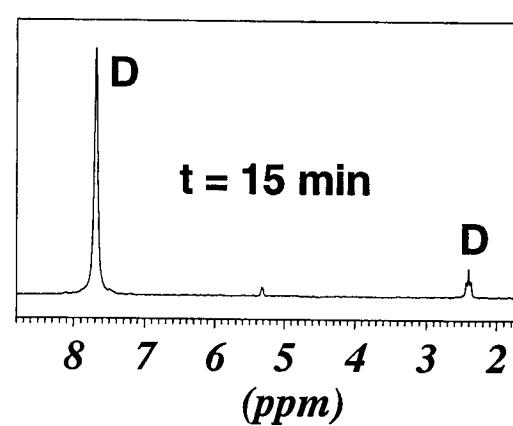
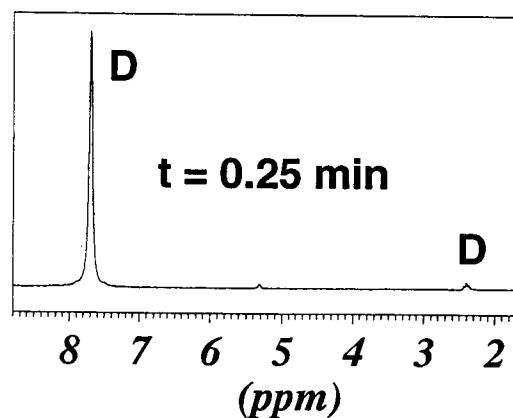
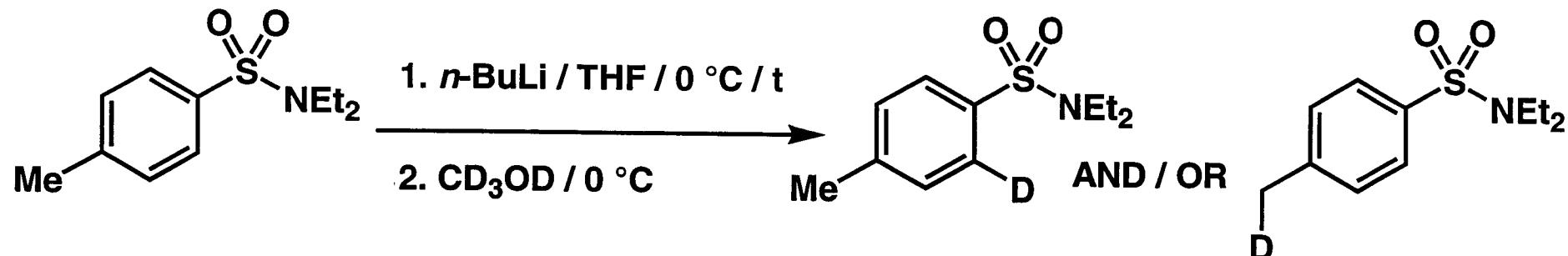
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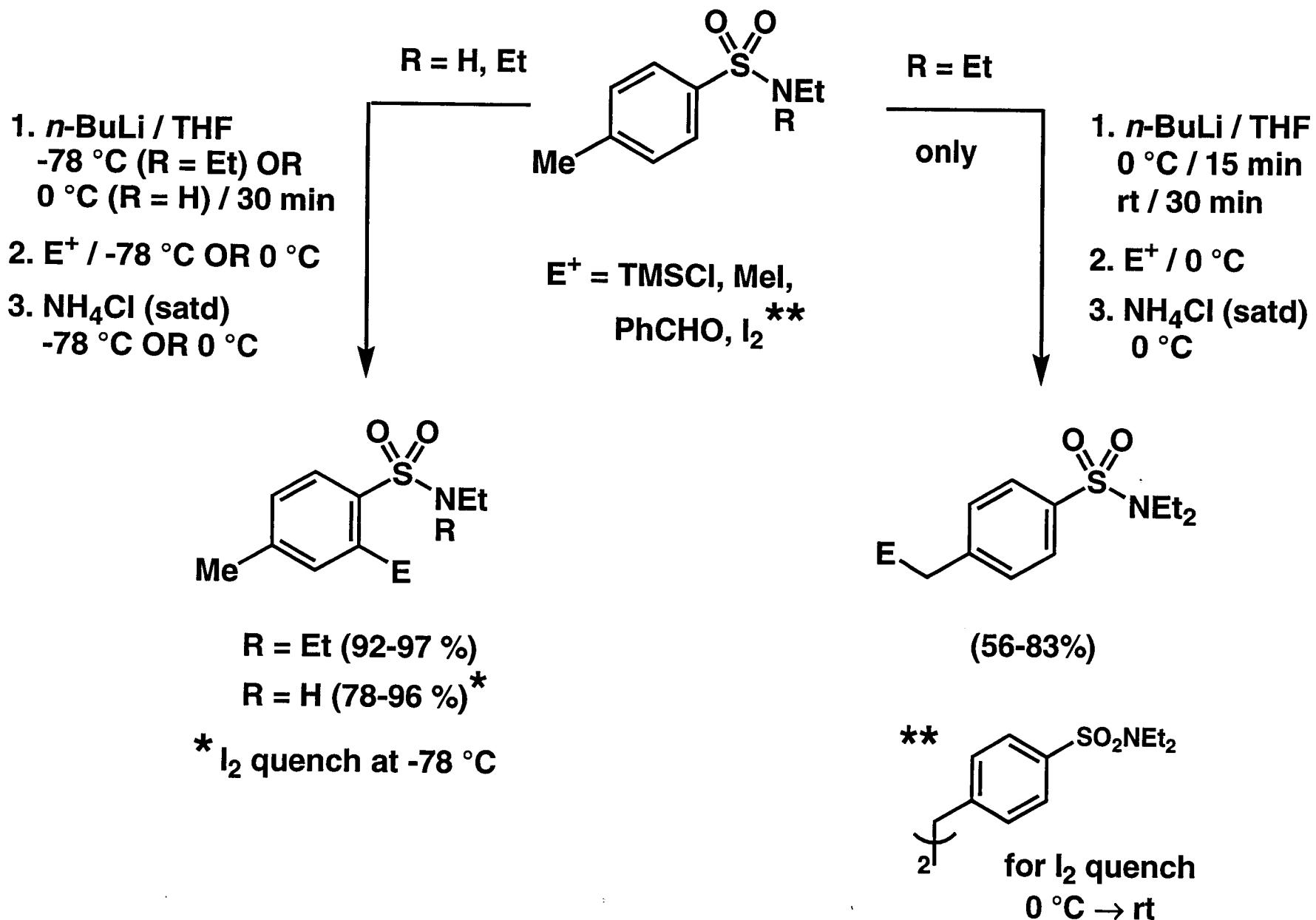
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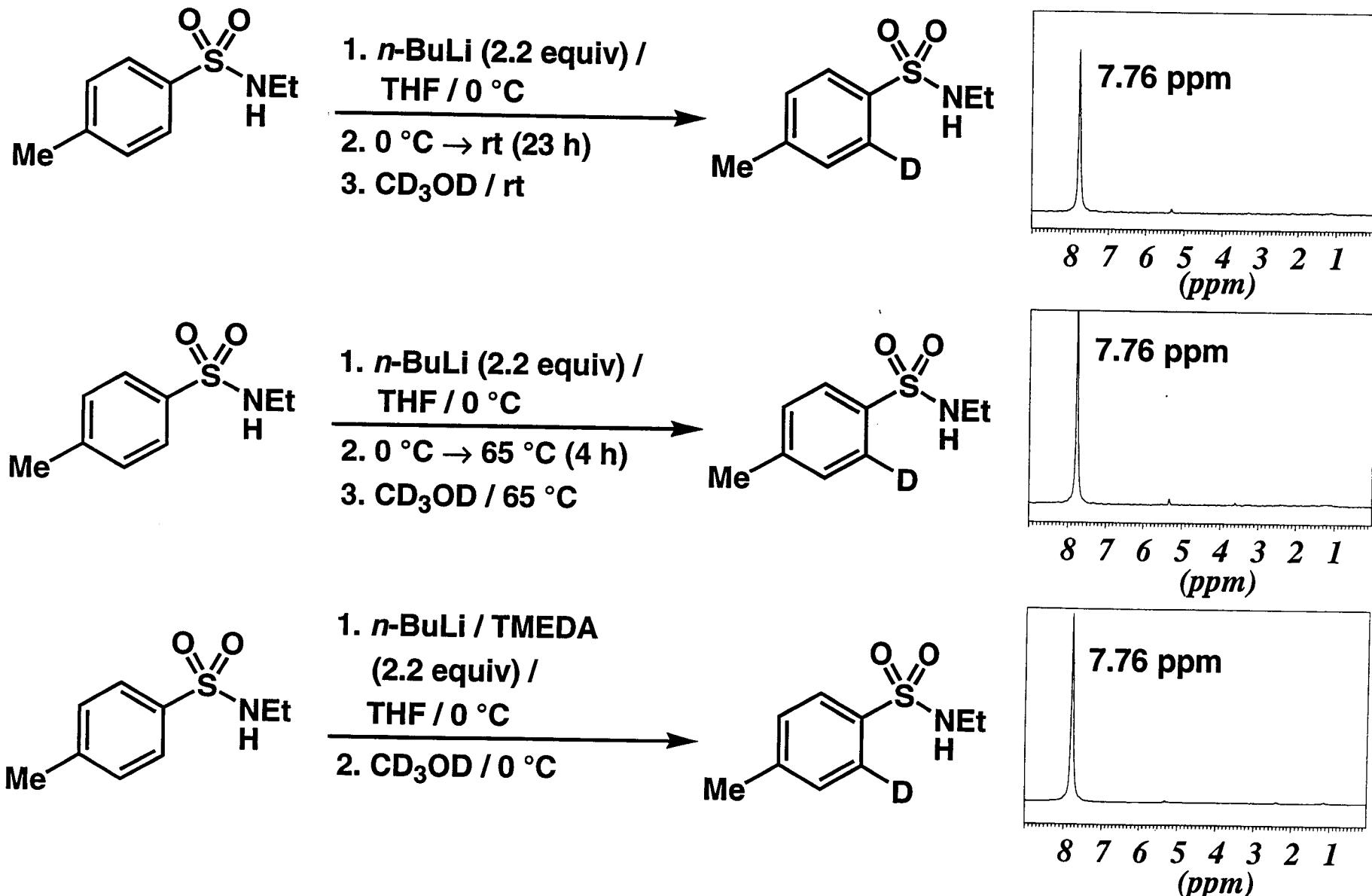
# Deuterium Quench / $^2\text{H}$ NMR. Anion Equilibration in Tertiary *p*-Tolylsulfonamide



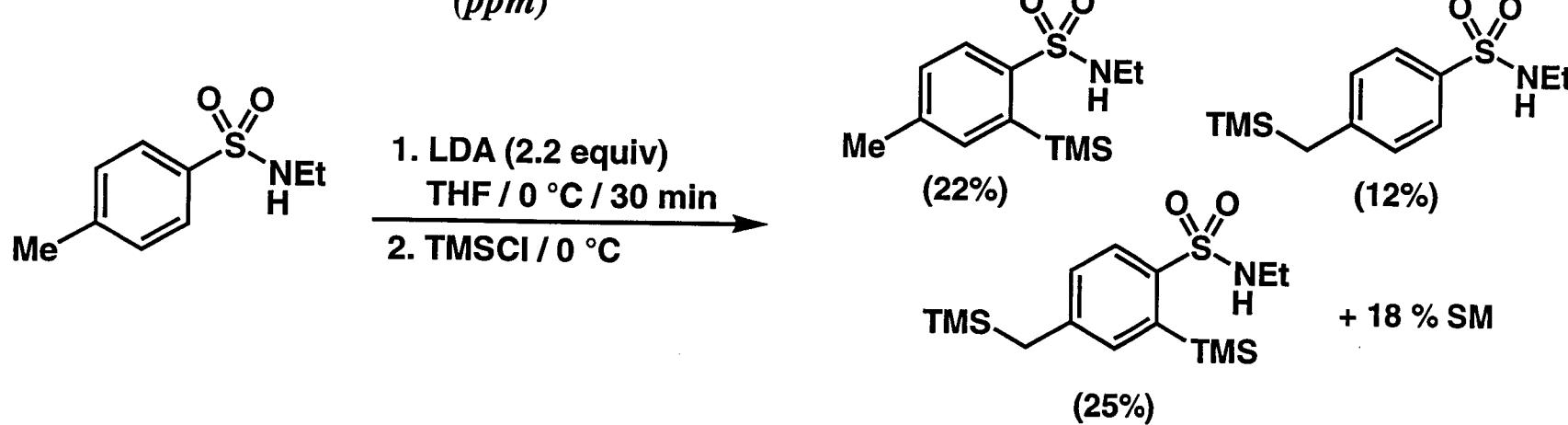
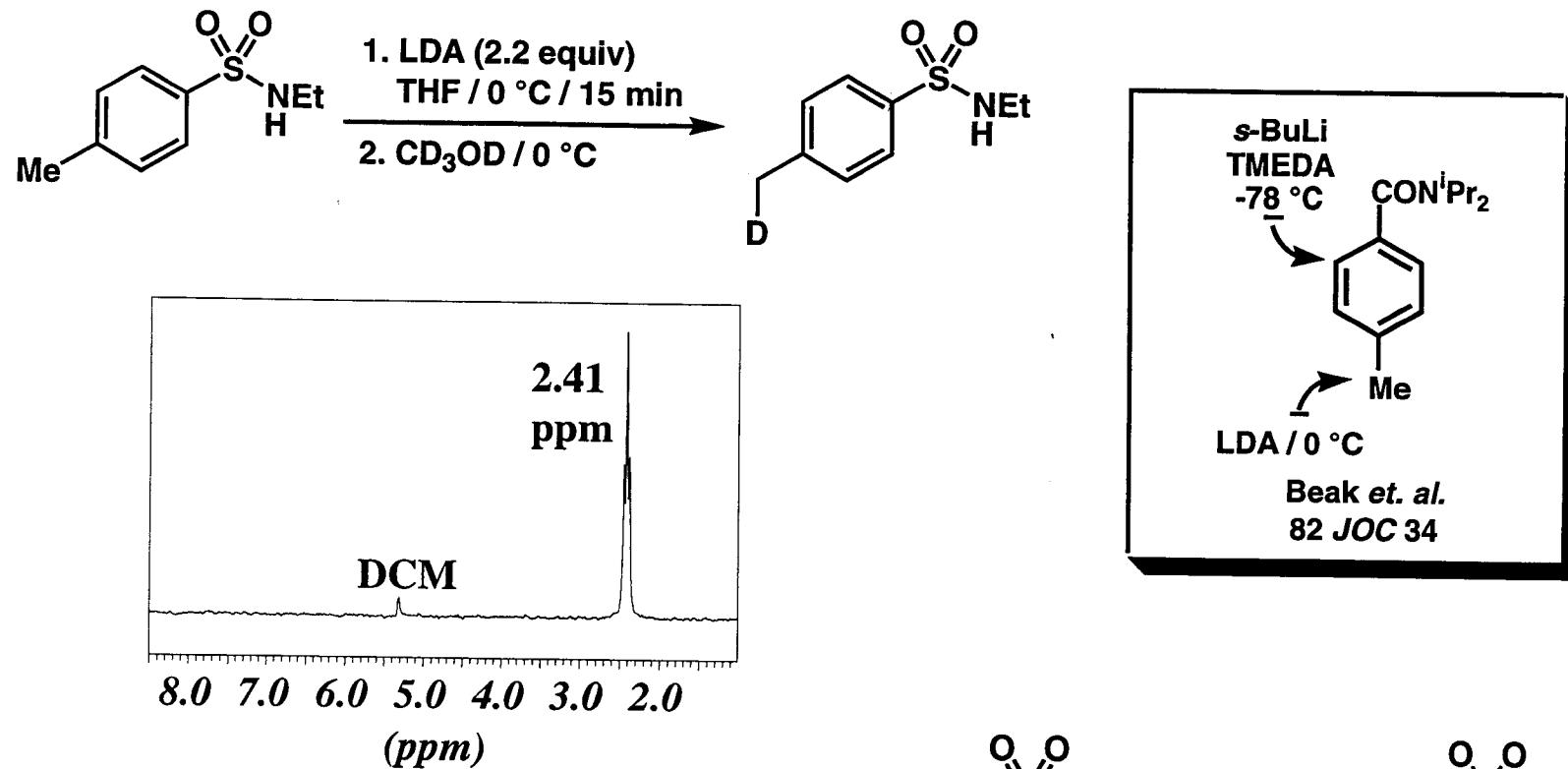
# Selective *ortho* vs Benzylic Metalation. Synthetic Results



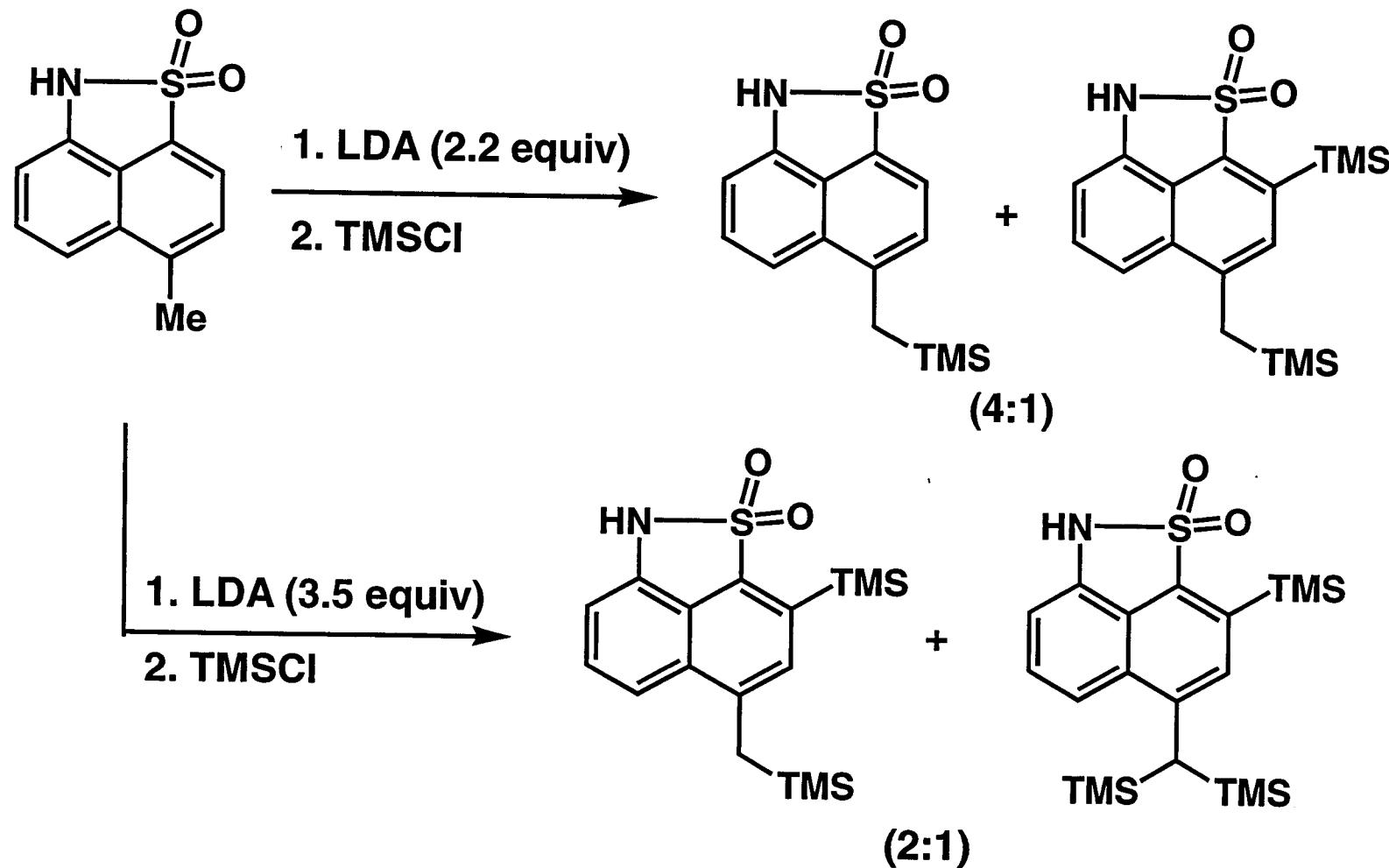
# Attempted Benzylic Metalation of Secondary *p*-Tolyl-sulfonamide. Effect of Metalation Time, Temperature and TMEDA Additive



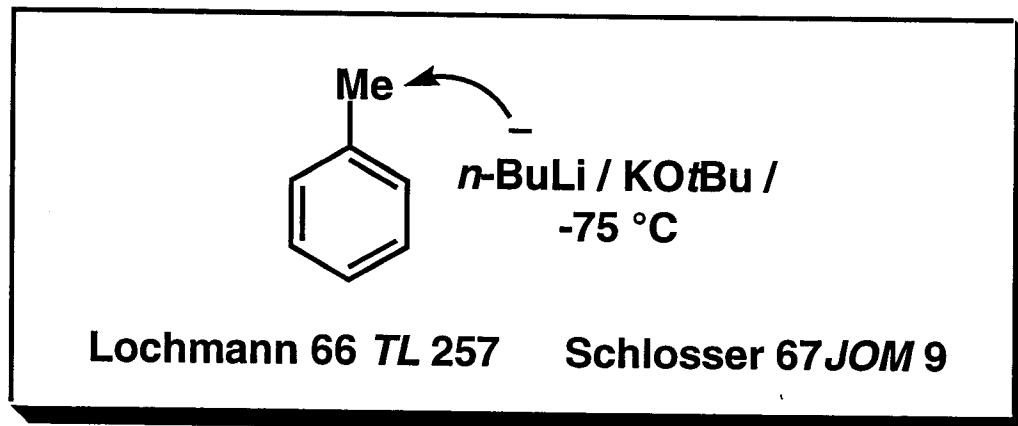
# Benzylic Metalation of Secondary *p*-Tolylsulfonamide. Effect of Amide Base



# Benzylic Metalation of Secondary *p*-Tolylsulfonamide. Relevant Literature Precedent



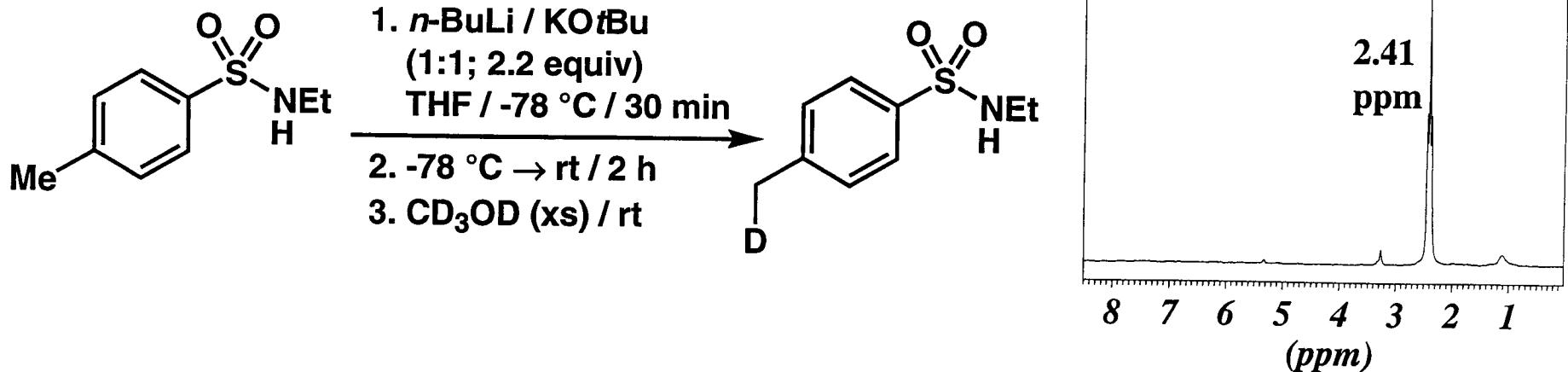
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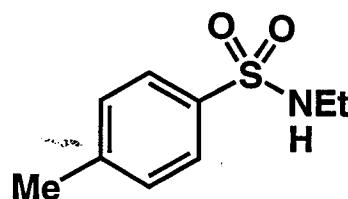
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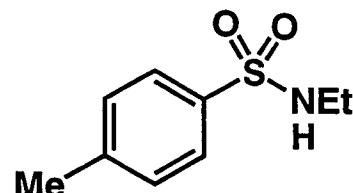
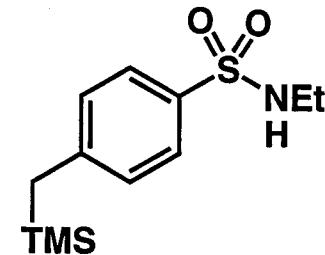
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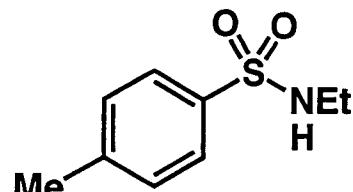
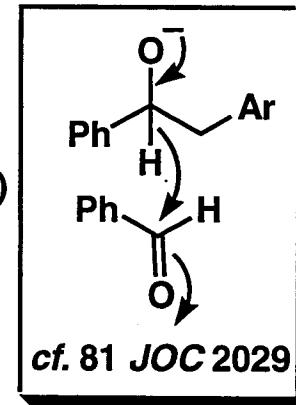
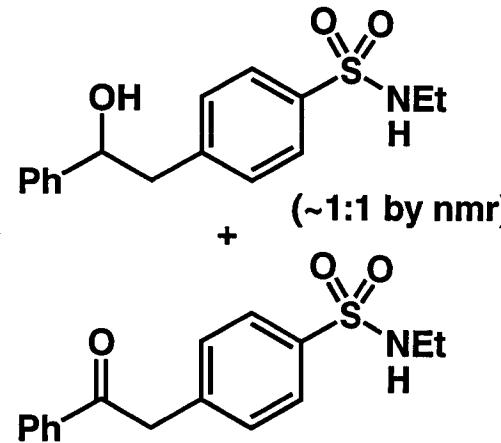
# Benzylic Metalation of Secondary *p*-Tolylsulfonamide. Success Using “Superbase”. TMSCl and PhCHO Quench



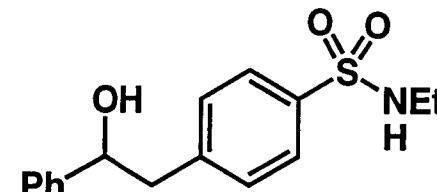
1. *n*-BuLi / KOrBu / THF / -78 °C / 40 min  
 2. -78 °C → rt (2 h)  
 3. TMSCl / rt  
 4. workup then KF (0.9 equiv) / THF:H<sub>2</sub>O (73%)



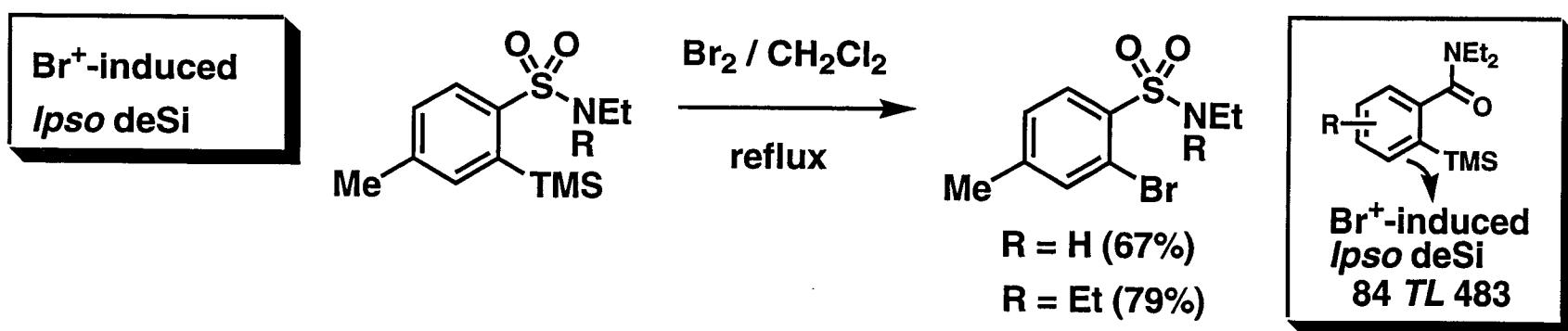
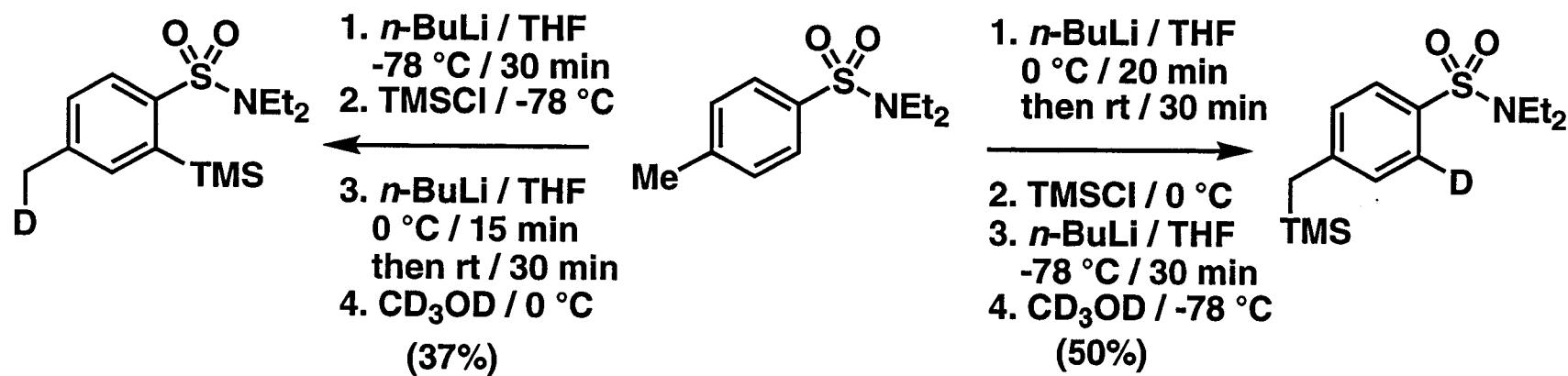
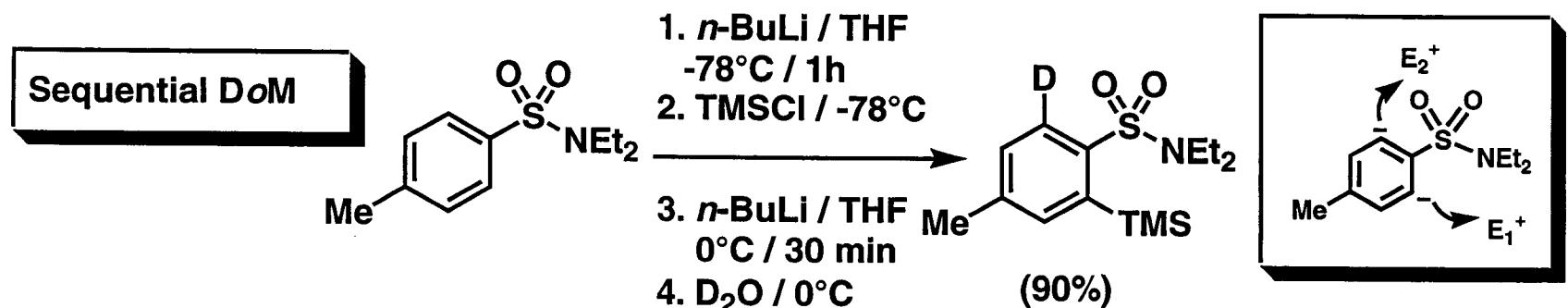
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 3. PhCHO (1.4 equiv) / rt



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 2. -78 °C → rt (2 h)  
 3. PhCHO / rt  
 4. workup then NaBH<sub>4</sub> (1 equiv) / MeOH / 0 °C / 15 min  
 → rt / 30 min (76%)

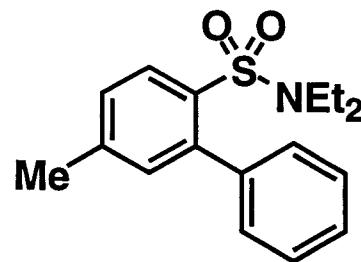
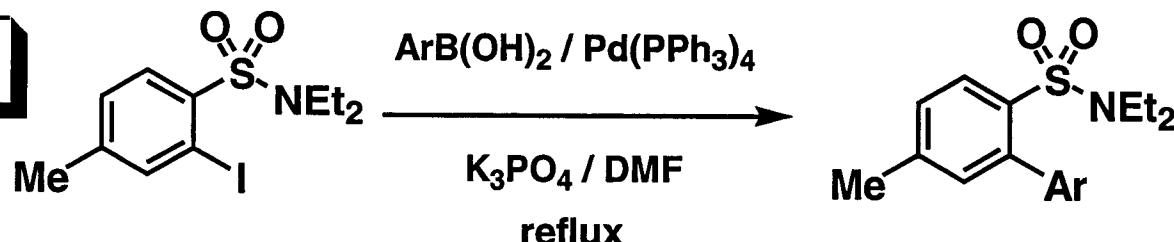


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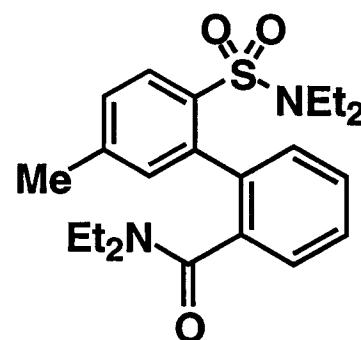


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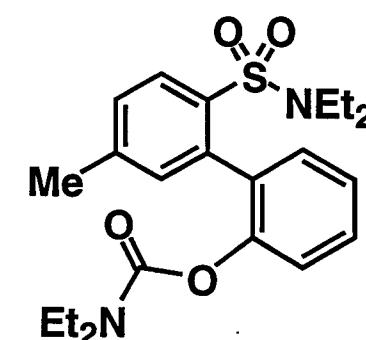
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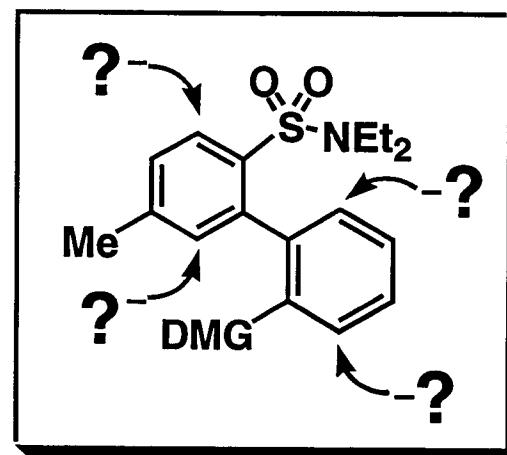
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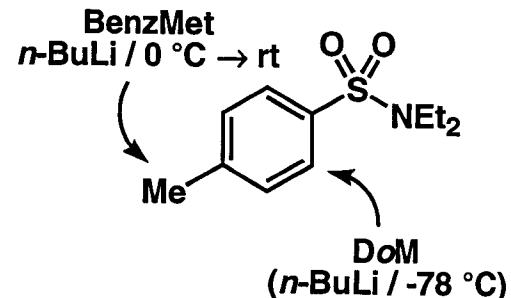
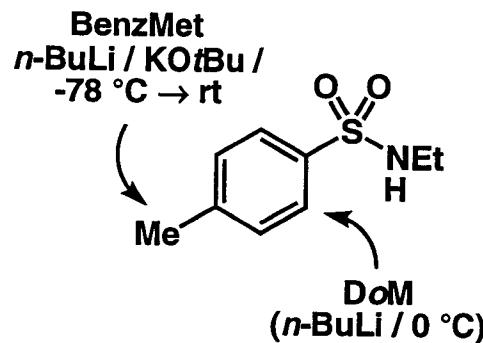
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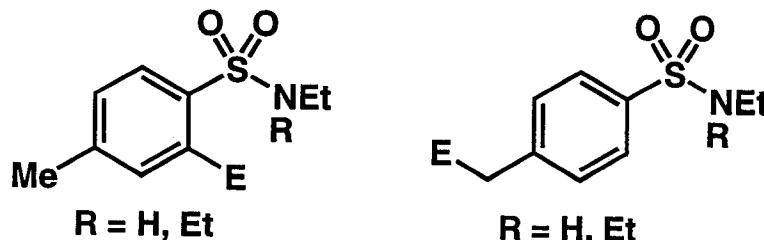
# Summary

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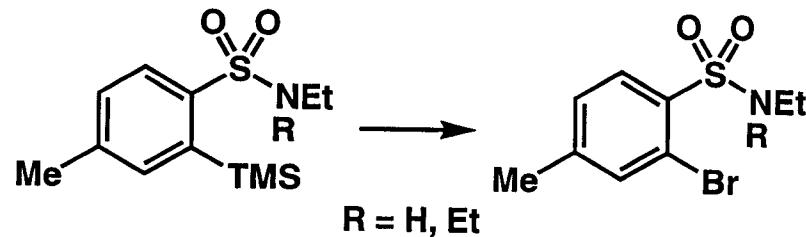


- Synthetic utility

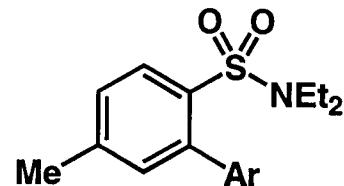
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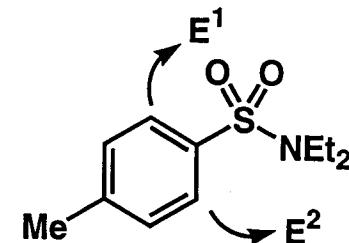
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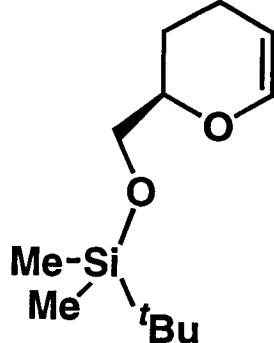
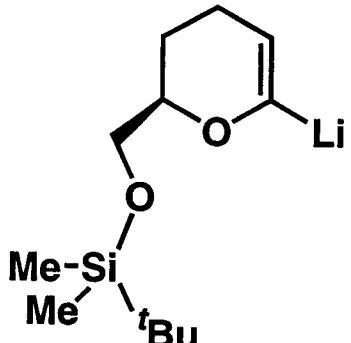
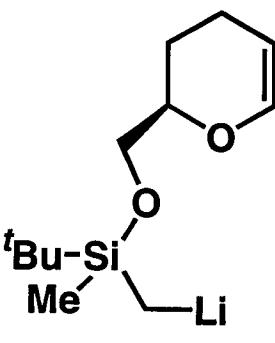
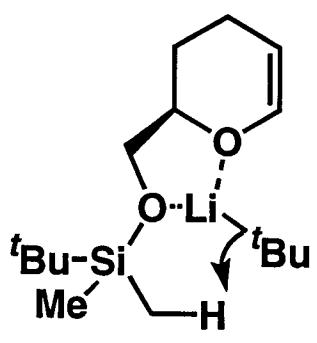
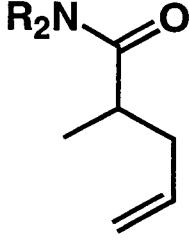
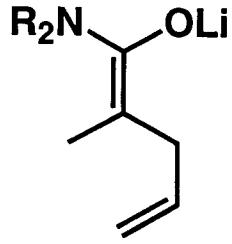
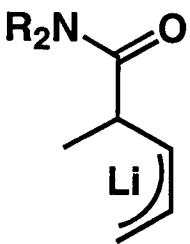
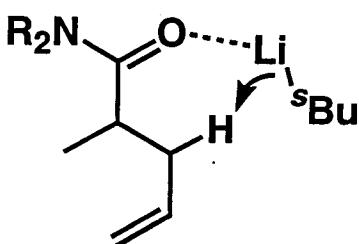
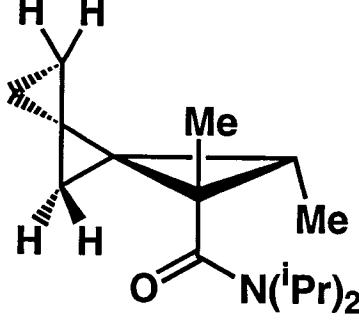
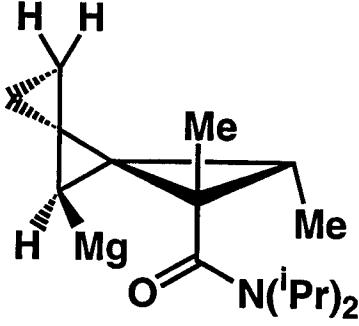
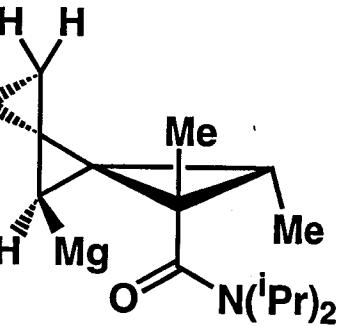
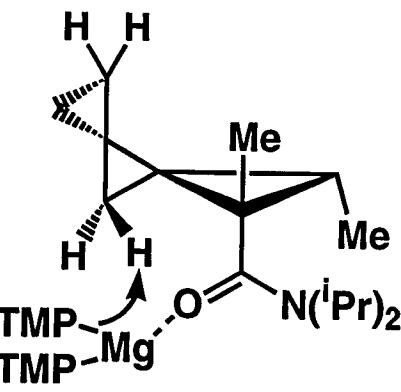
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## Sequential DoM



# Directed Remote Metalation (DReM) in Aliphatic Systems

Substrate	Expected Anion	Anion Observed	CIPE Explanation
			
			
			

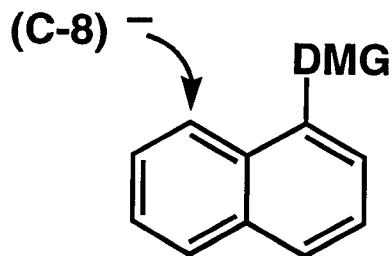
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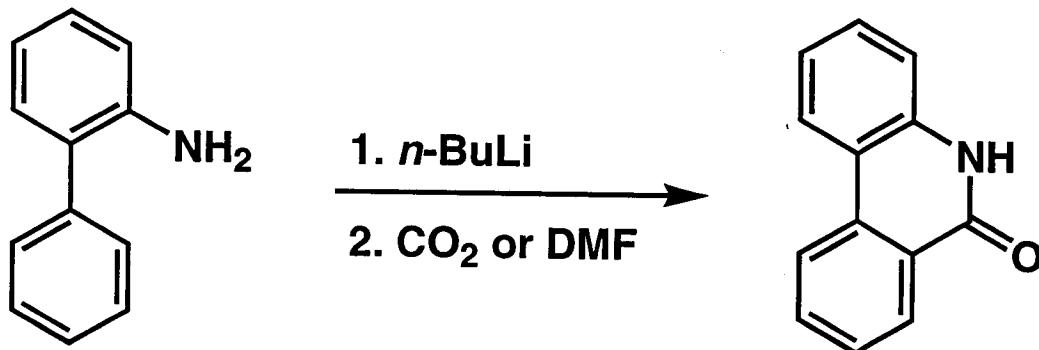
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# DReM in Aromatic Systems. Early Examples



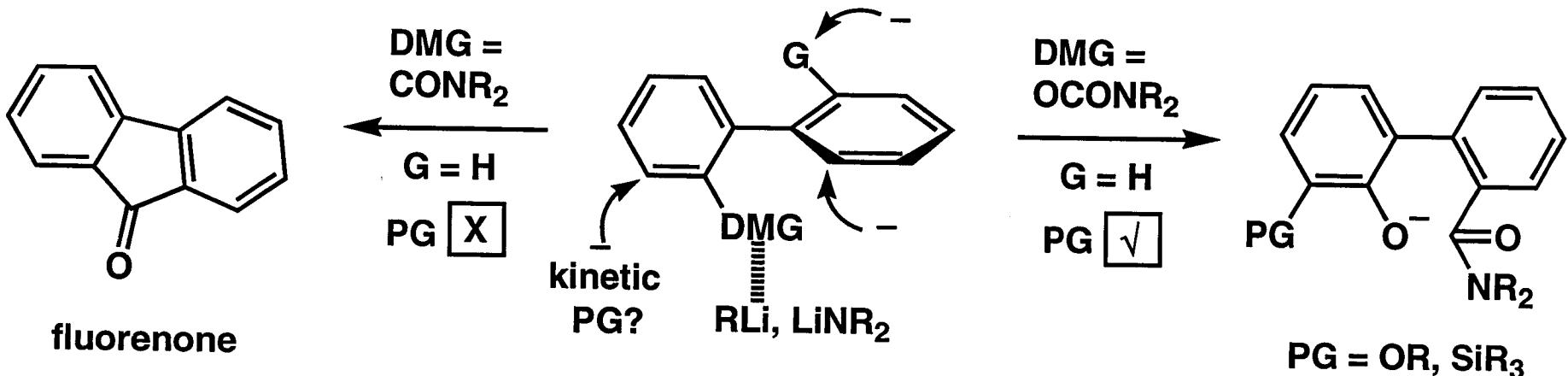
- a: DMG =  $\text{CH}_2\text{NMe}_2$
- b: DMG =  $\text{NPh}$
- c: DMG =  $\text{NH}_2$
- d: DMG =  $\text{OMe}$

Hauser 67 *JACS* 2297; Narasimhan 69 *IJC* 538;  
Eaborn 67 *JOM* 171; Shirley 69 *IJC* 251

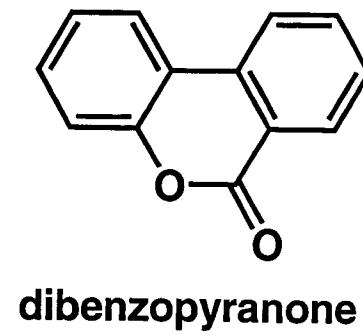


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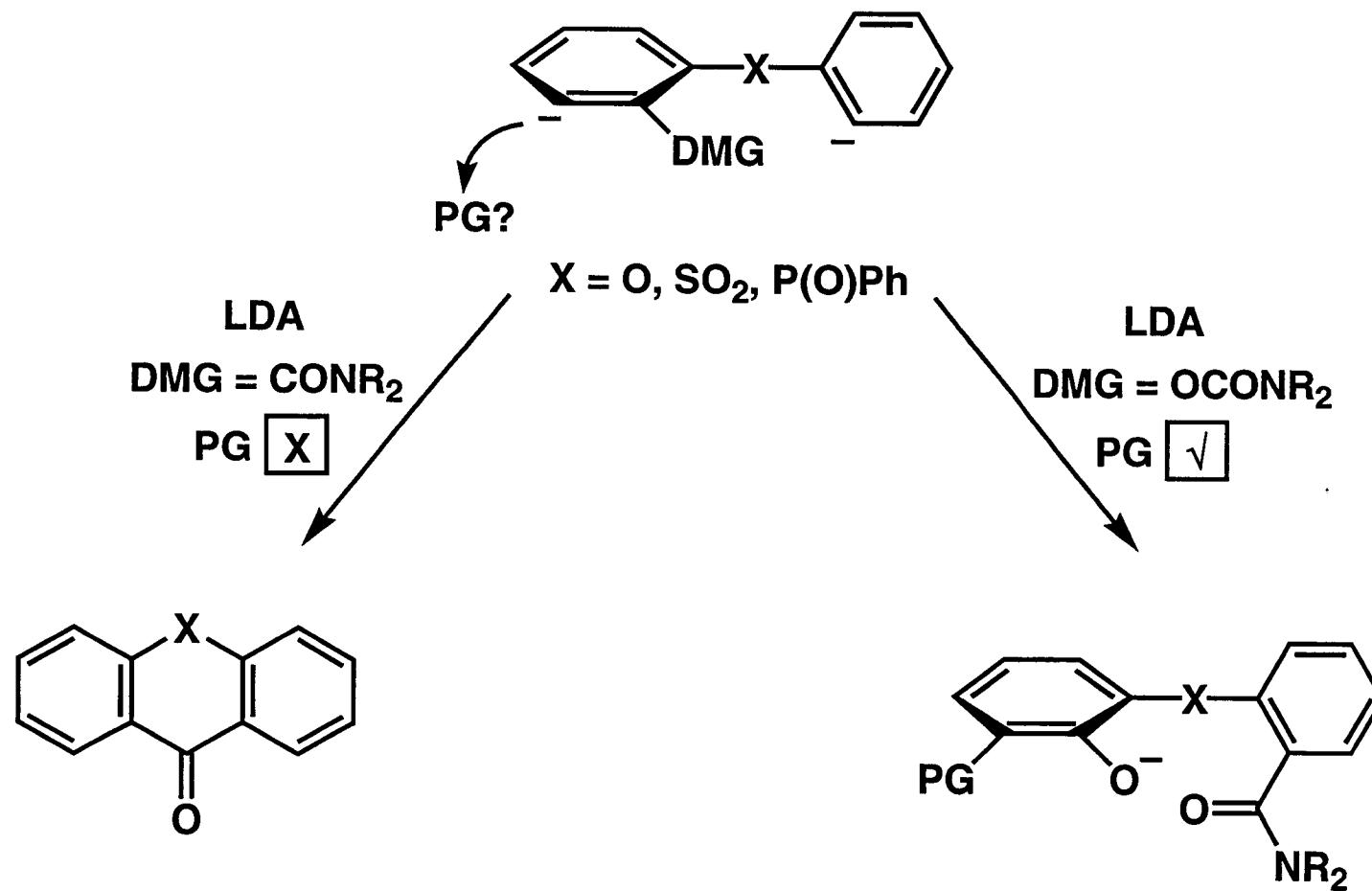
# DReM in Aromatic Systems. Synthesis of Condensed Aromatics



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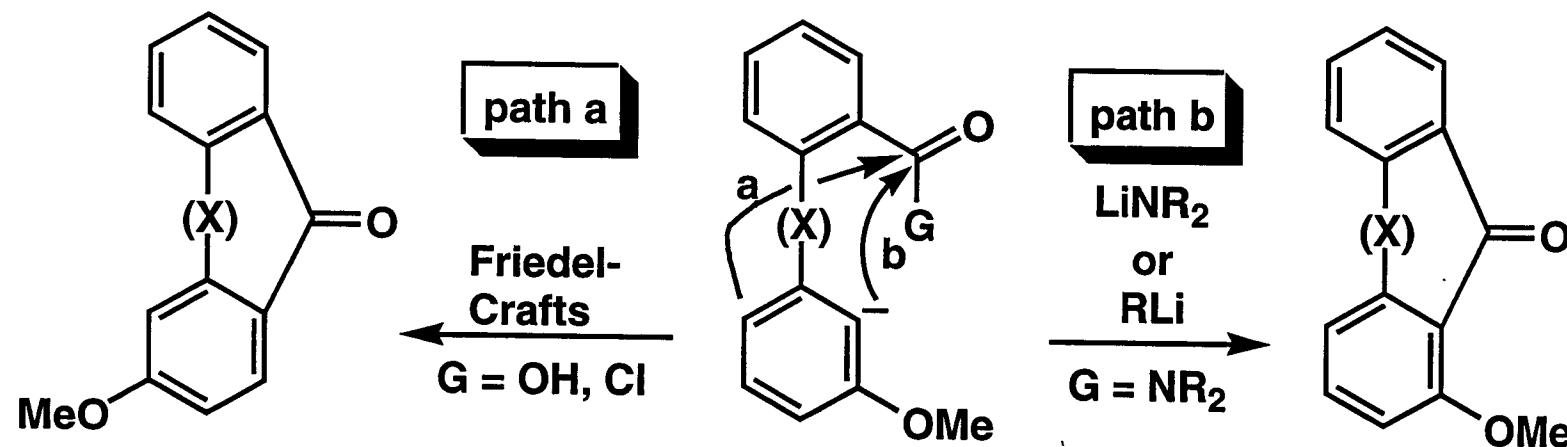


# DReM in Aromatic Systems. Extension to Heteroatom-Linked Diaryls

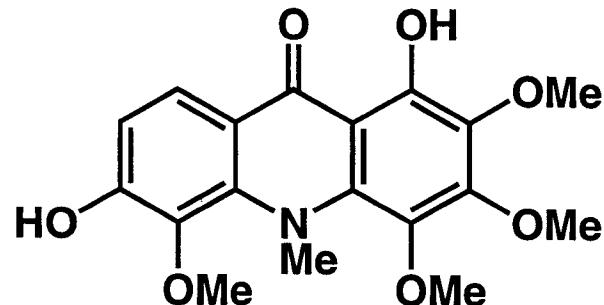


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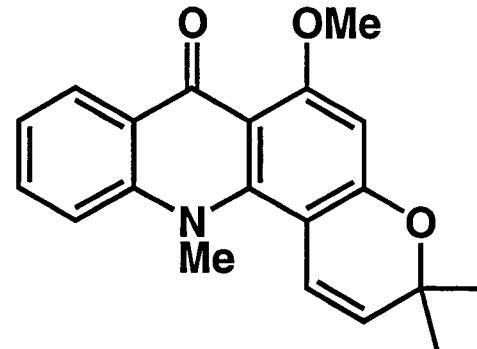
# DReM in Heteroatom-Linked Diaryls. An Anionic Friedel-Crafts Equivalent. Regiochemical Complementarity



# The Acridone Alkaloids. Attractive Targets for the DReM Protocol

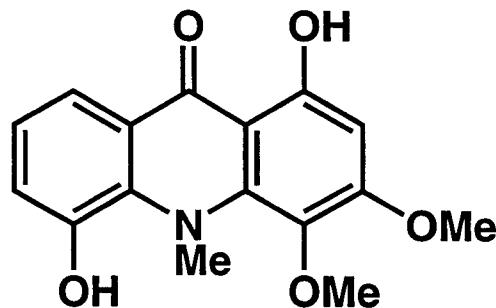


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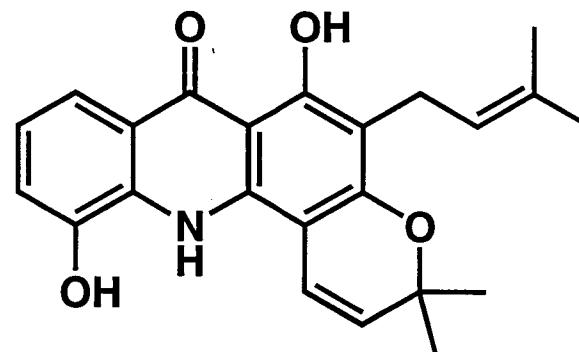


acronycine

broad spectrum antitumor activity



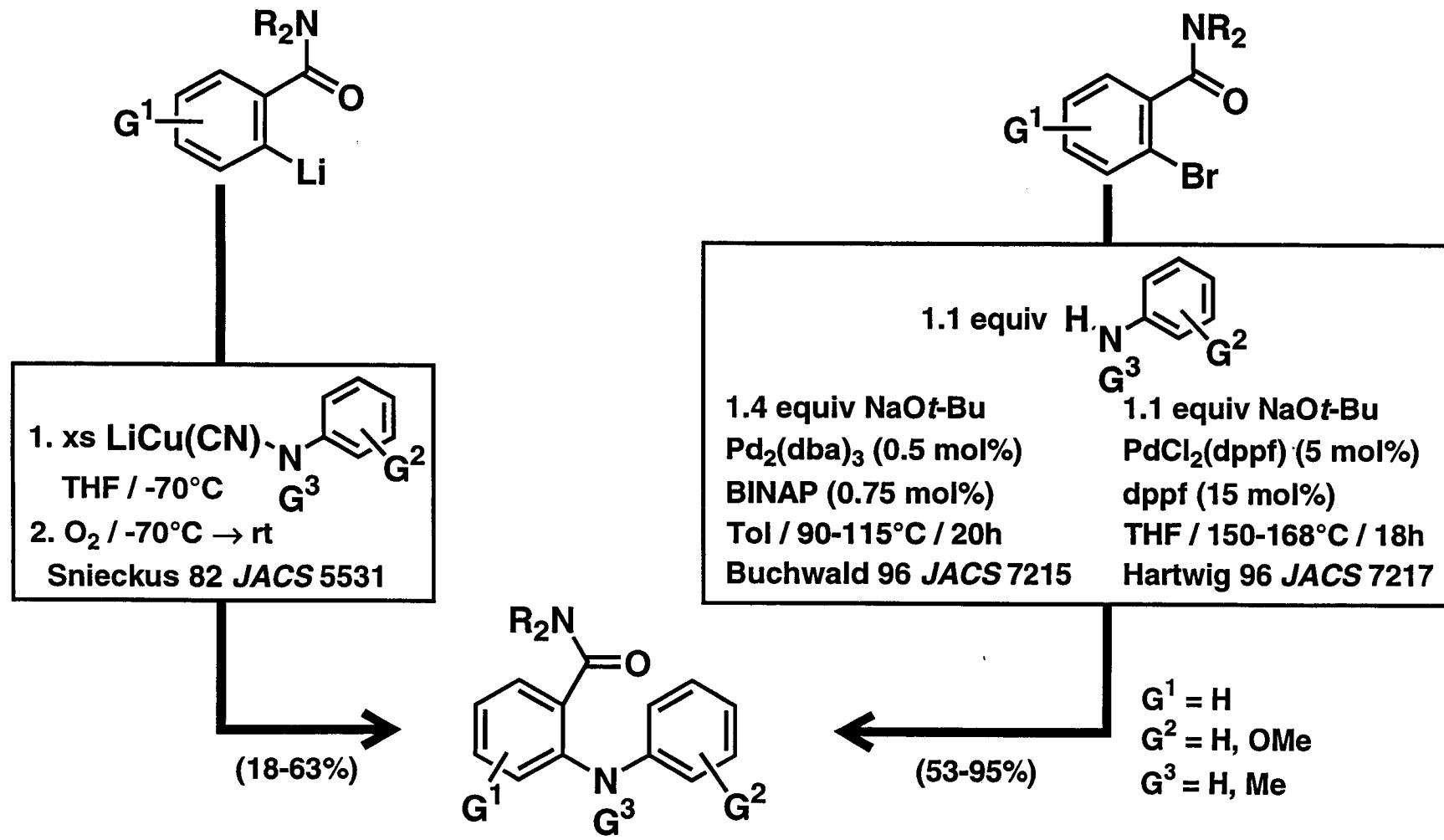
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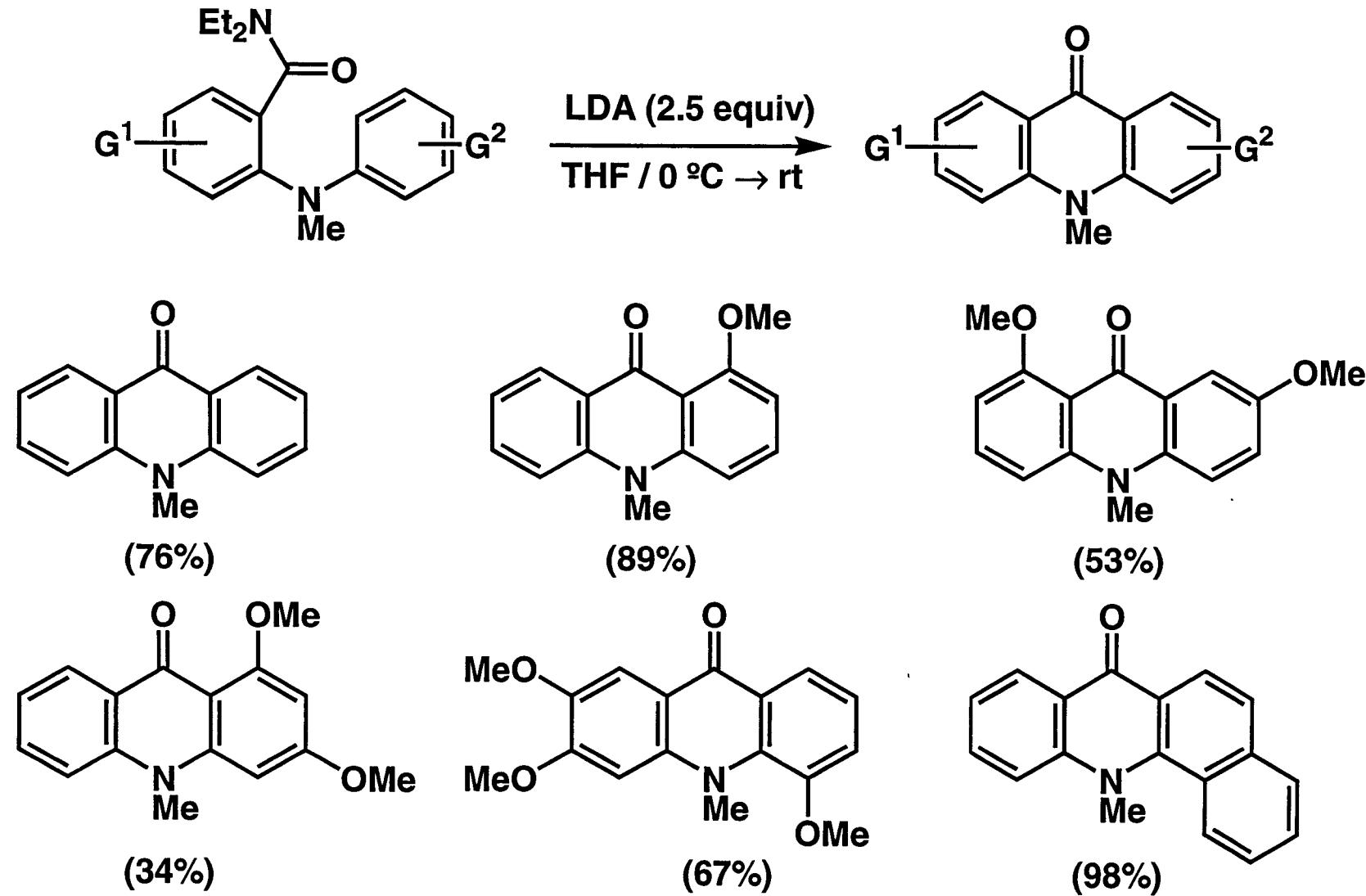
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# Synthesis of Substituted 2-CONR<sub>2</sub> Diarylamines. DoM-Mediated Coupling vs Pd-Catalyzed Cross Coupling

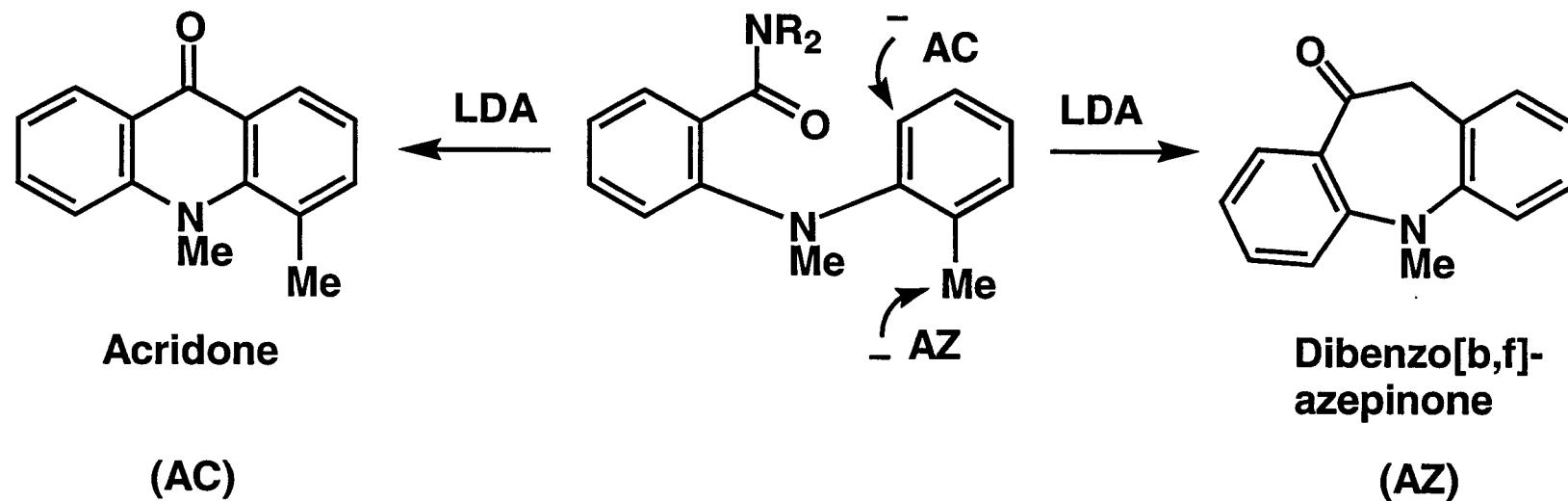


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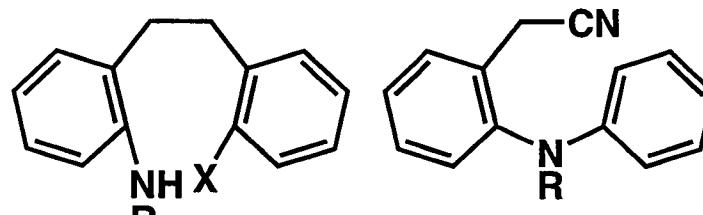
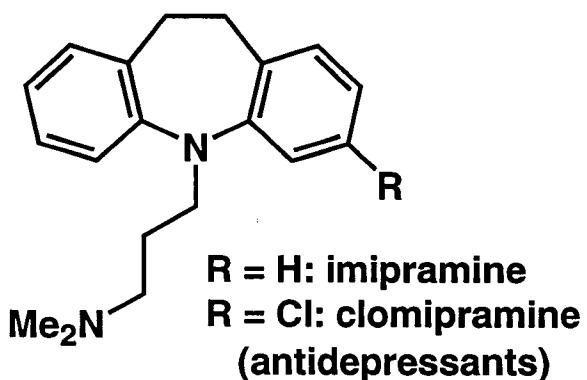
## LDA-Mediated Cyclization to Acridones



# Dibenzo[b,f]azepinones. Accessible by Directed Remote Benzyllic Metalation?

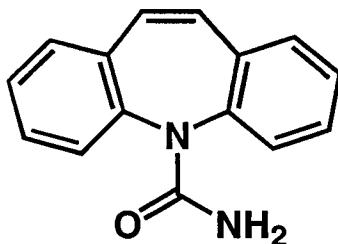


# Dibenzo[b,f]azepines. Bioactivity and Synthesis

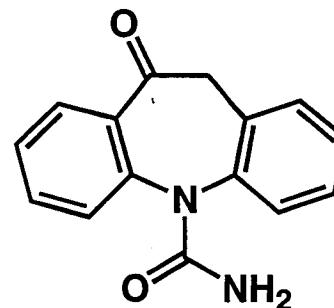


Classical Cyclization Precursors

74 CRV 101, 78 CPB 3058



Carbamazepine  
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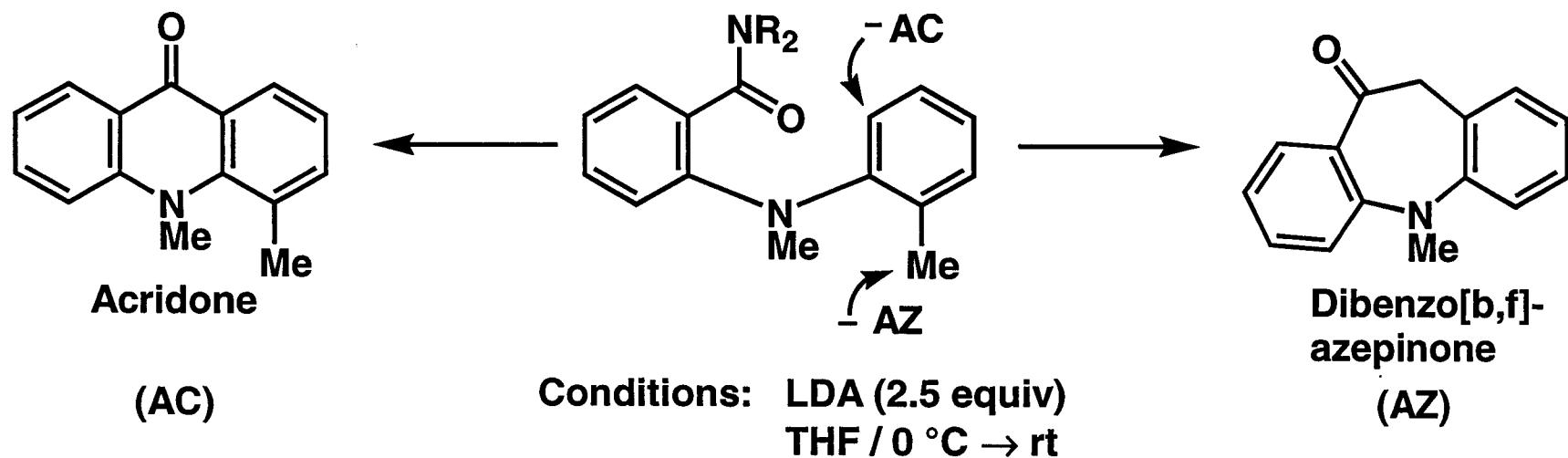
Oxcarbazepine  
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anti-epilepsy drugs

*Epilepsy, A Comprehensive Textbook, Volume II*; Engel, Jr., J.; Pedley, T.A., Ed.; Lippincott-Ravens Publishers: Philadelphia, 1998

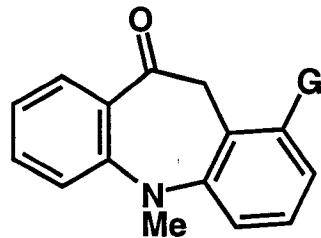
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# Regioselective Dibenzo[b,f]azepinone Formation by Directed Remote Benzylic Metalation



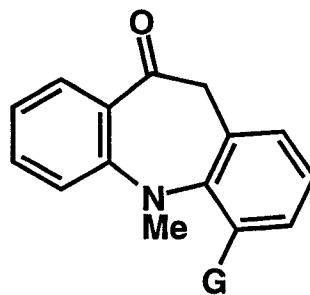
Yld, %	R	Yld, %
11	<i>i</i> Pr	78
<5	Et	86
<5	Me	94

# Regioselective Dibenzo[b,f]azepinone Formation by Directed Remote Benzylic Metalation. Generalization\*



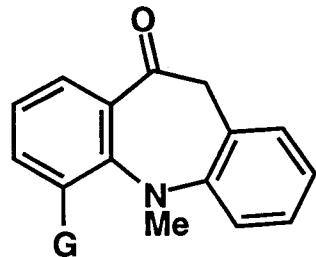
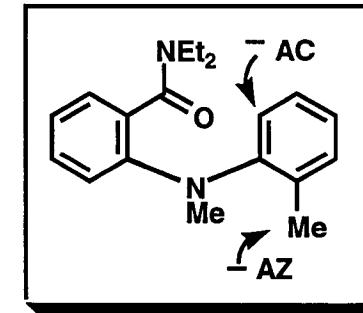
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yld AC, <5%

**G = Me:** yld AZ, 89%  
yld AC, <5%



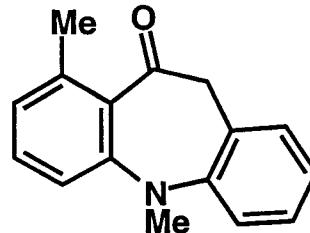
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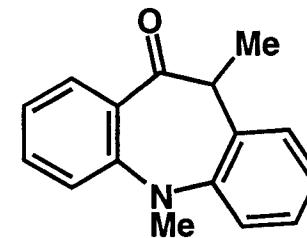


**G = OMe:** yld AZ, 85%  
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**G = Me:** yld AZ, 70%  
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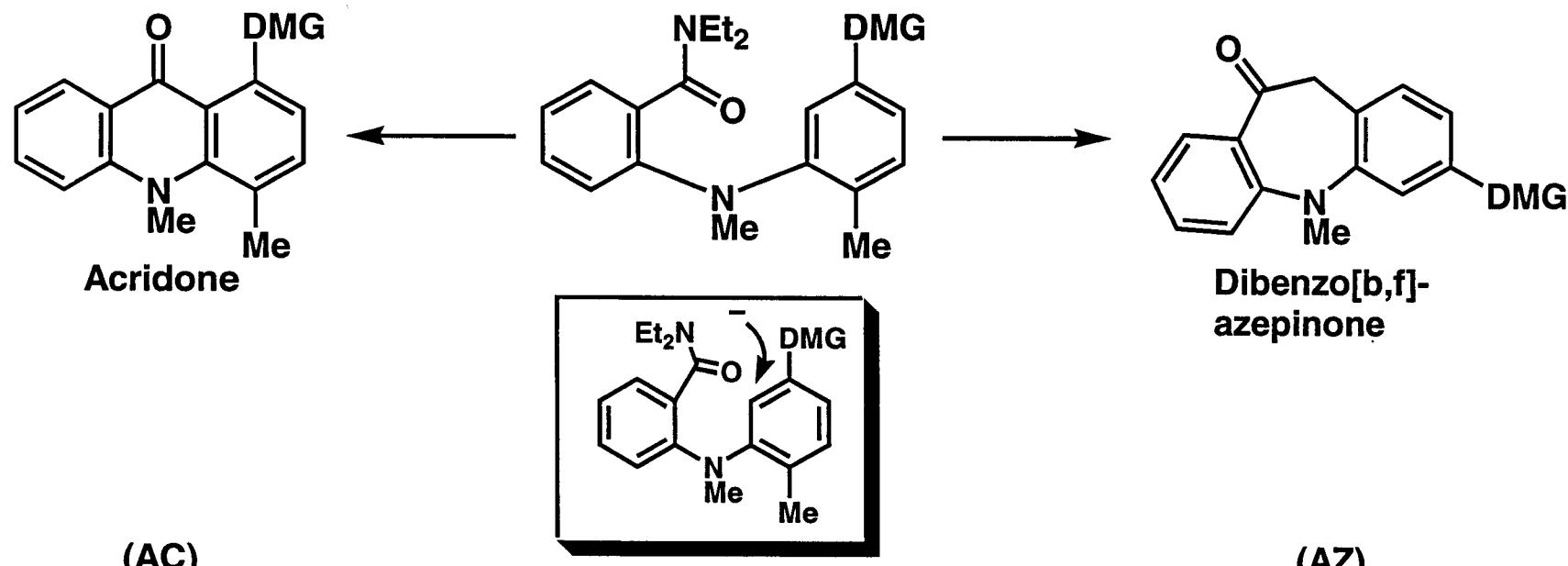
yld AZ, 65%  
yld AC, 17%



yld AZ, 61%  
yld AC, 31%

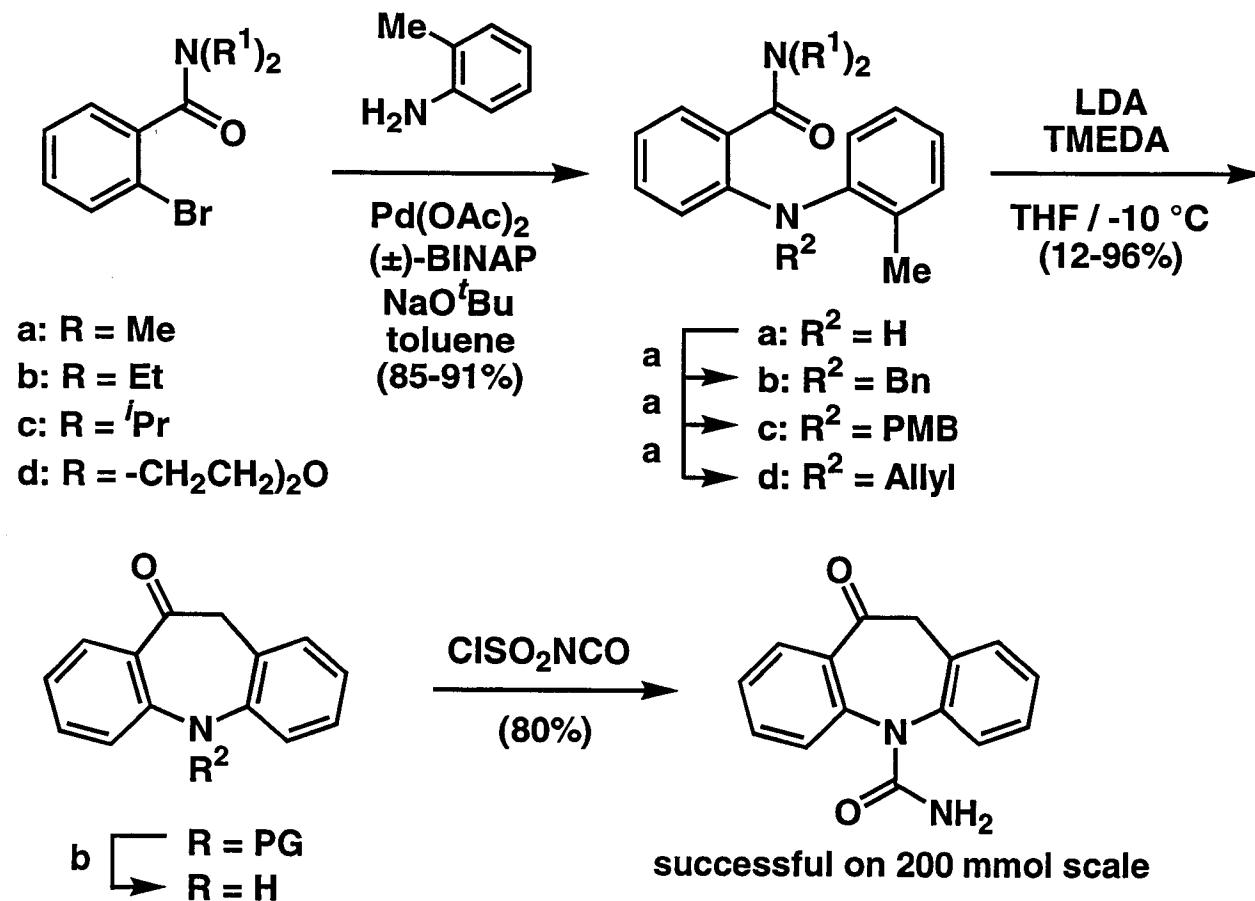
\* Cyclization precursors prepared by Buchwald amination (24-93%) followed by N-methylation (54-97%)

# Regioselective Dibenzo[b,f]azepinone Formation by Directed Remote Benzylic Metalation. Regioreversal by a Cooperative DMG Effect



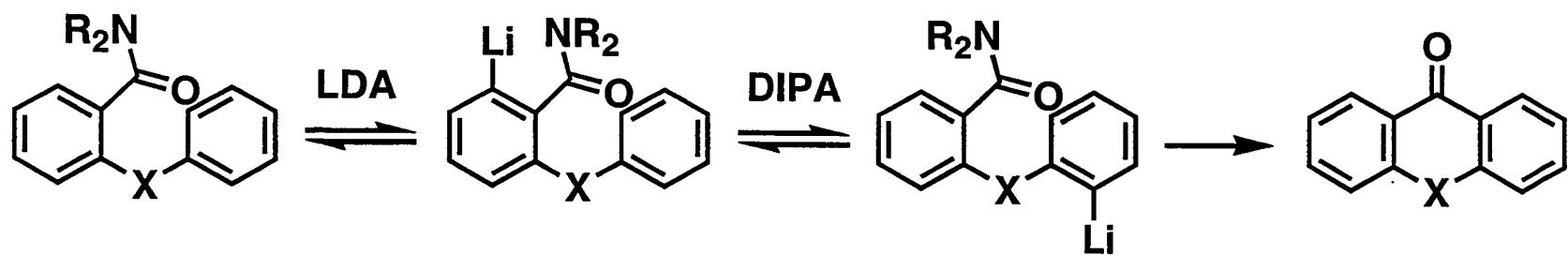
Yld, %	DMG	Yld, %
79	OMe	21
83	Cl	8

# Regioselective Dibenzo[b,f]azepinone Formation by Directed Remote Benzylic Metalation. Industrial Application

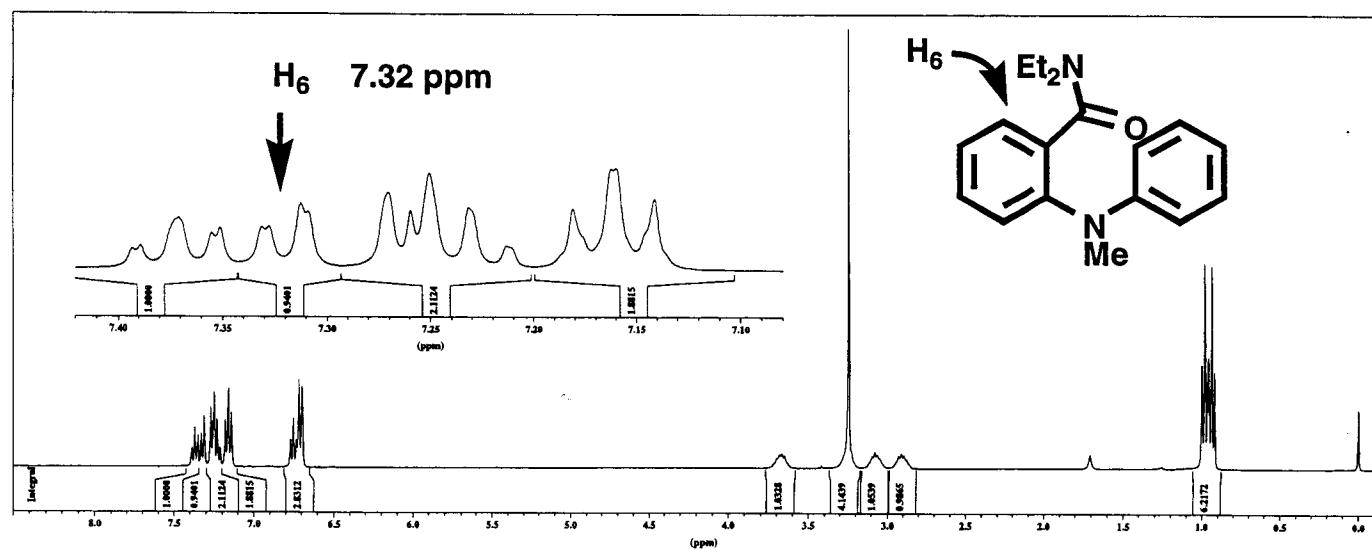
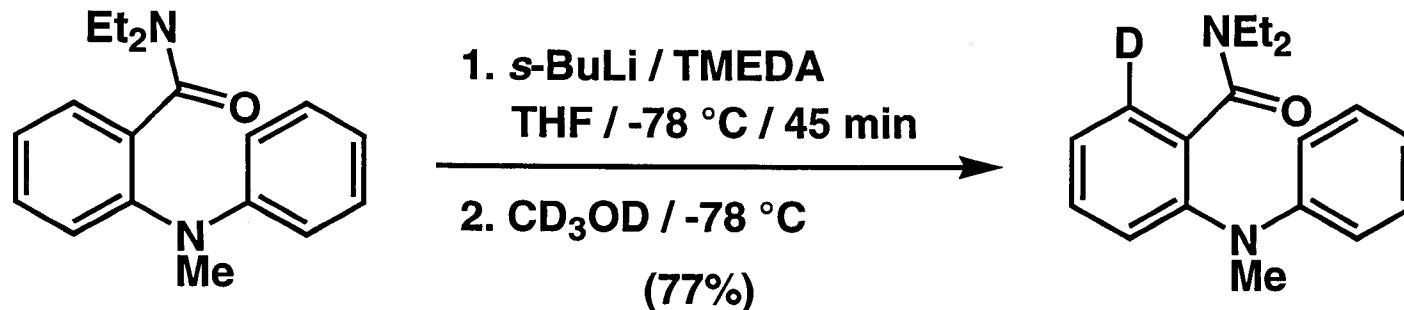


Conditions: (a) 1.  $\text{NaH} / \text{DMF}$ ; 2.  $\text{R}^2\text{Cl}$  (70-99%); (b) For  $\text{PG} = \text{Bn}$ :  $\text{TMSCl} / \text{NaI} / \text{acetonitrile}$  (75%); For  $\text{PG} = \text{PMB}$ :  $\text{TiCl}_4$  (95%); For  $\text{PG} = \text{Allyl}$ :  $\text{Rh}(\text{PPh}_3)_3\text{Cl}$  (70%)

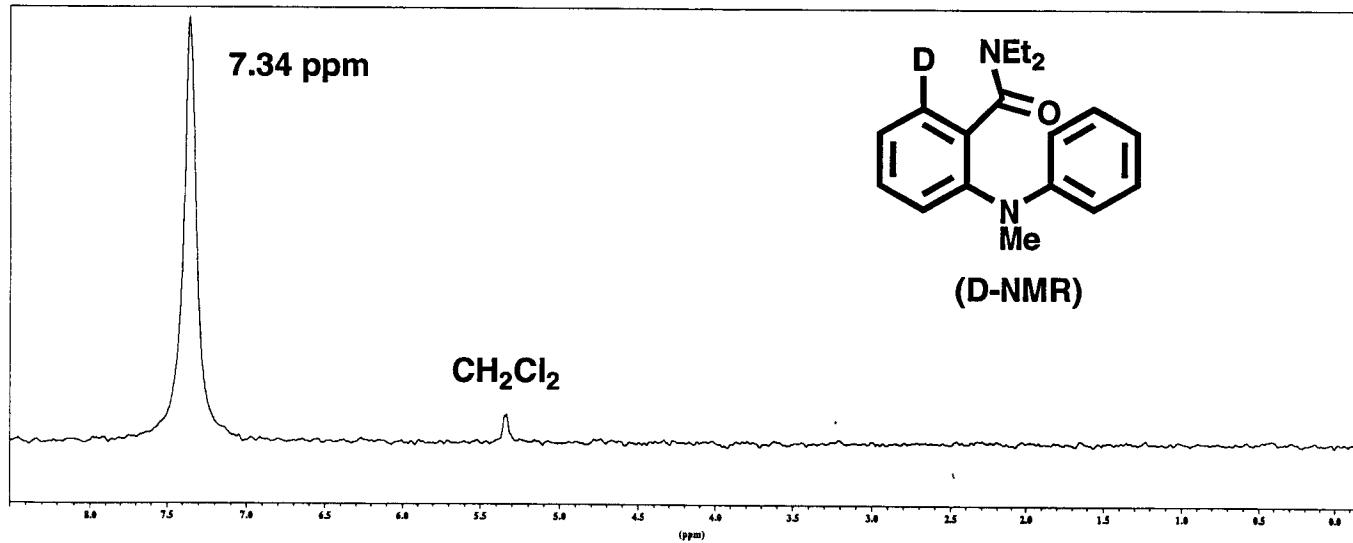
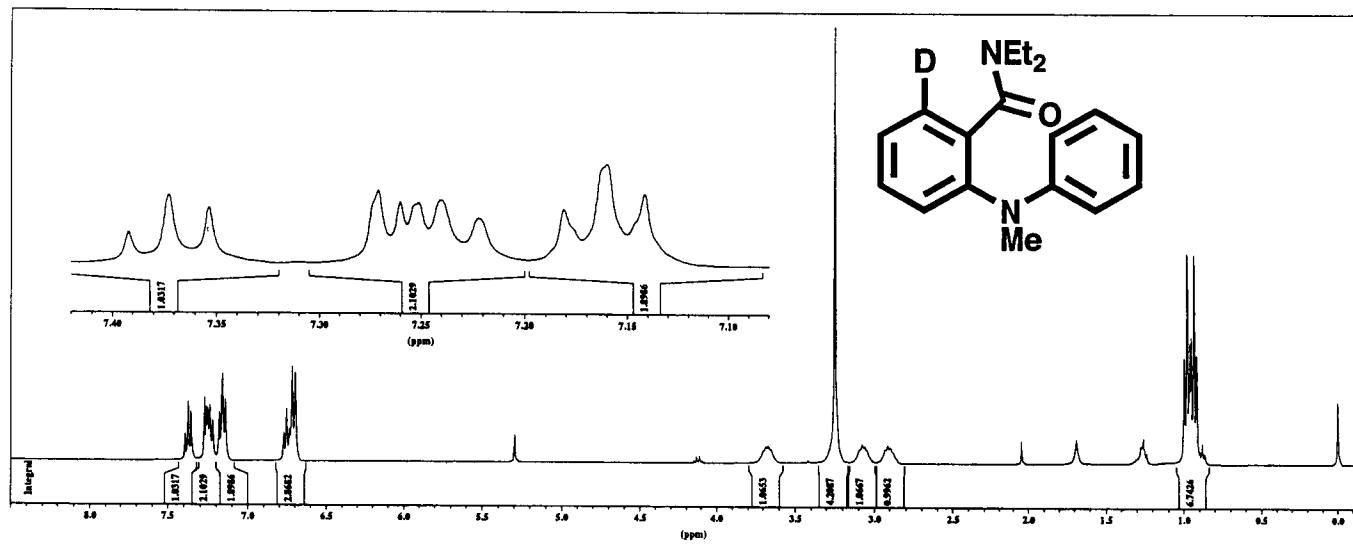
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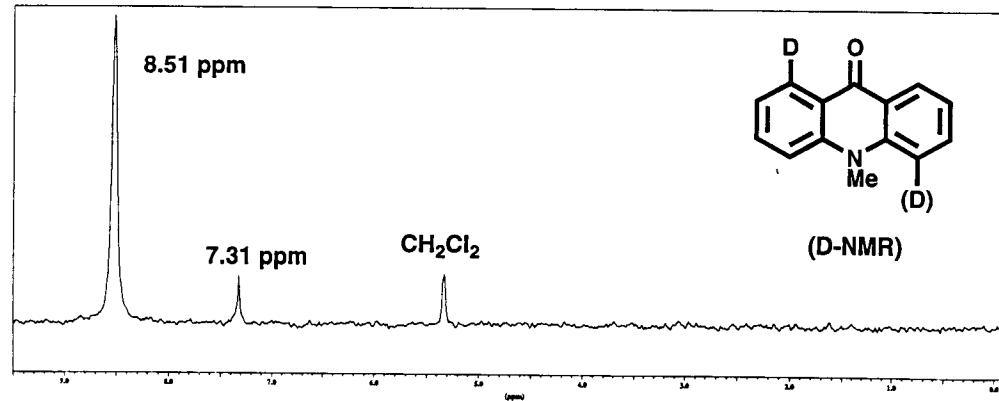
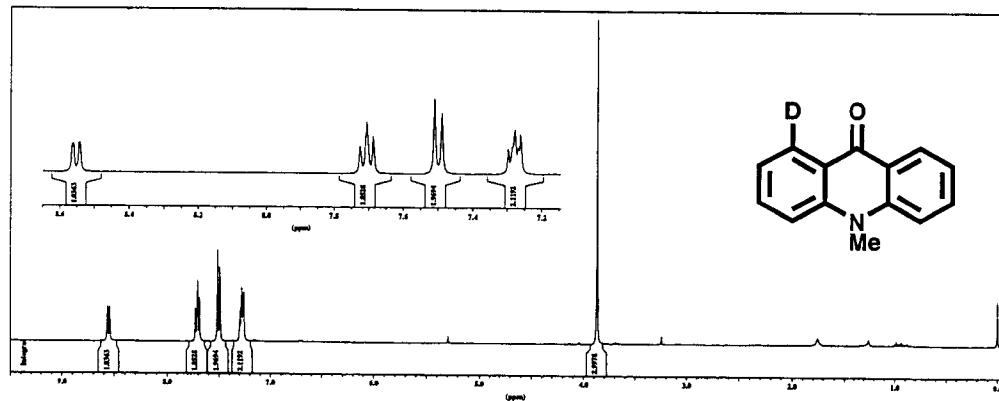
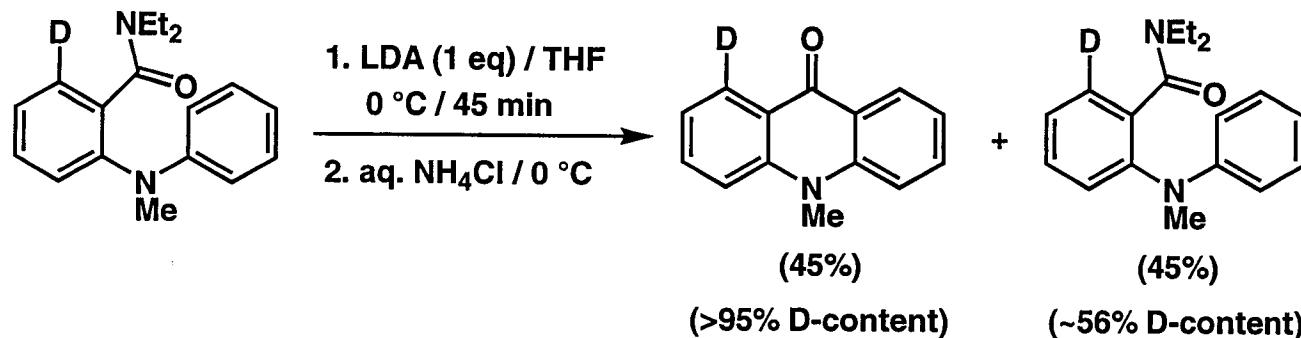
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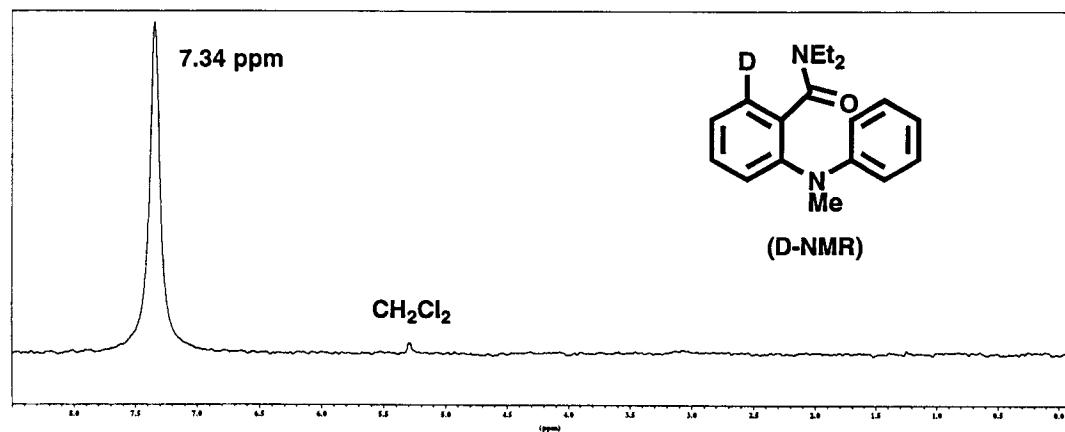
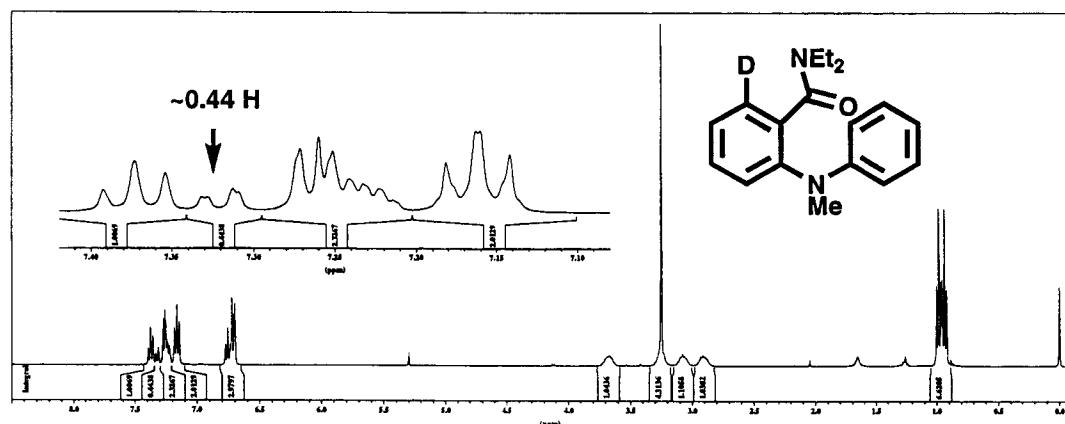
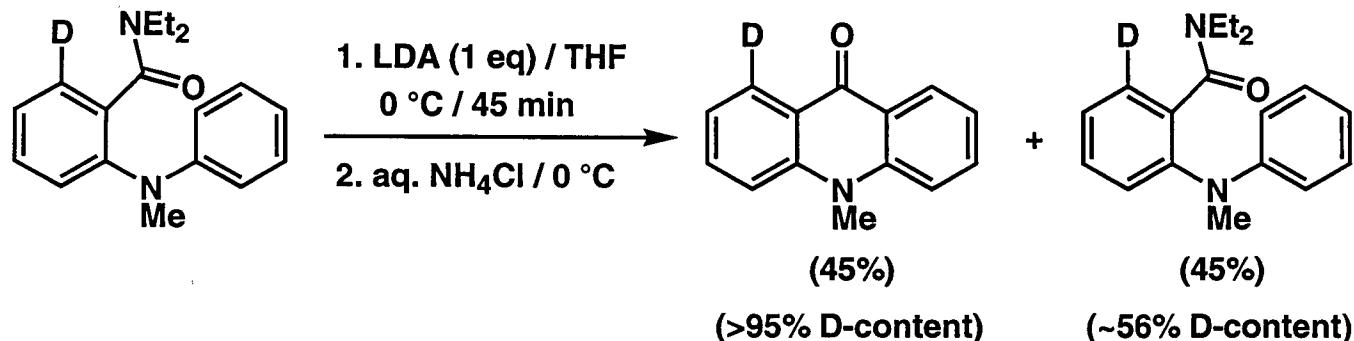
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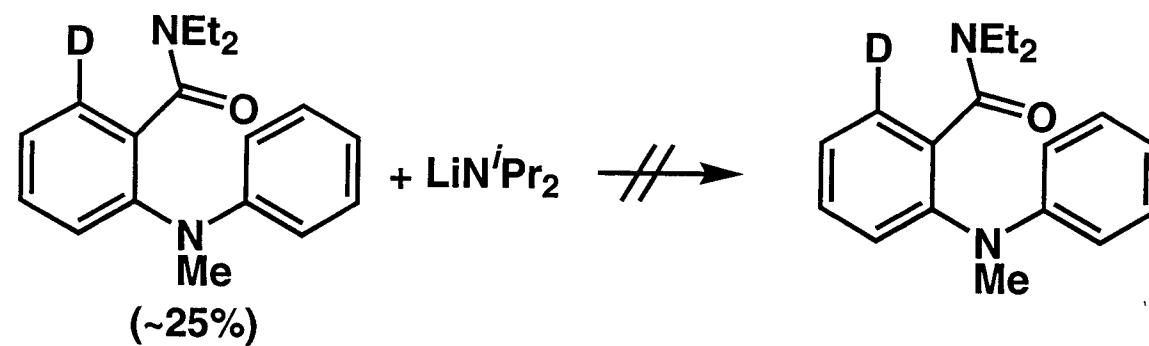
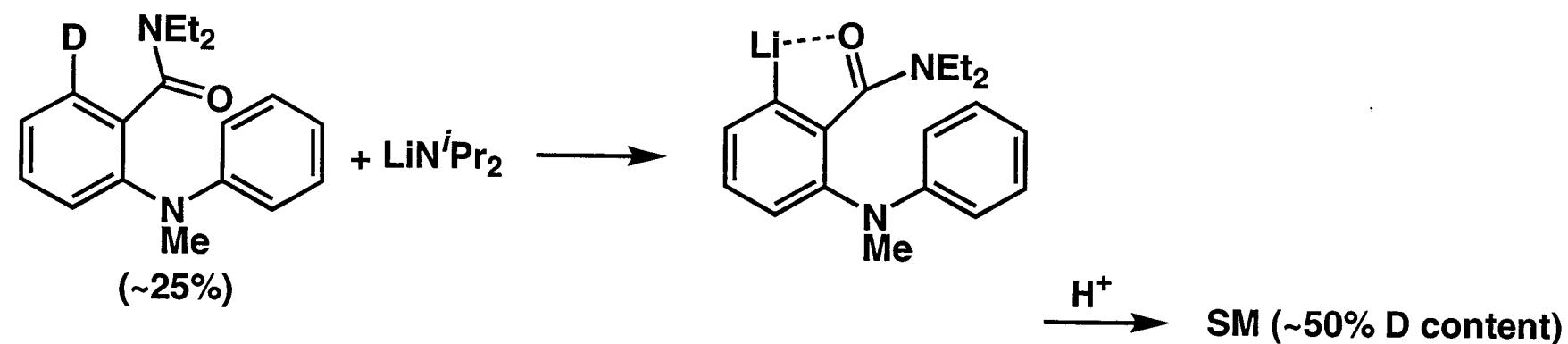
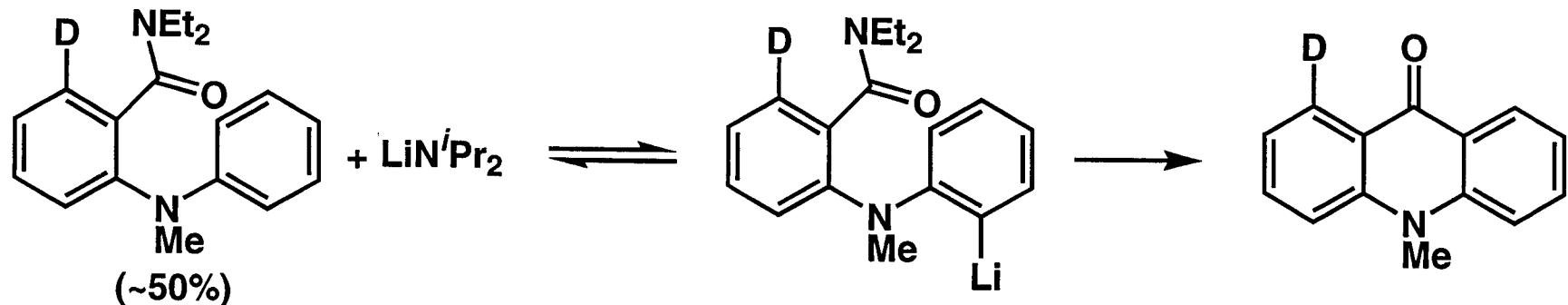
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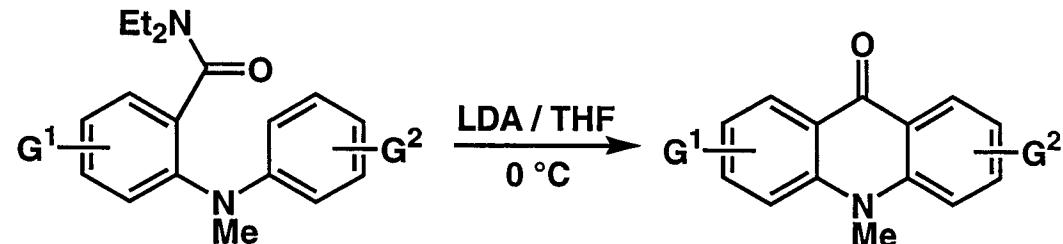


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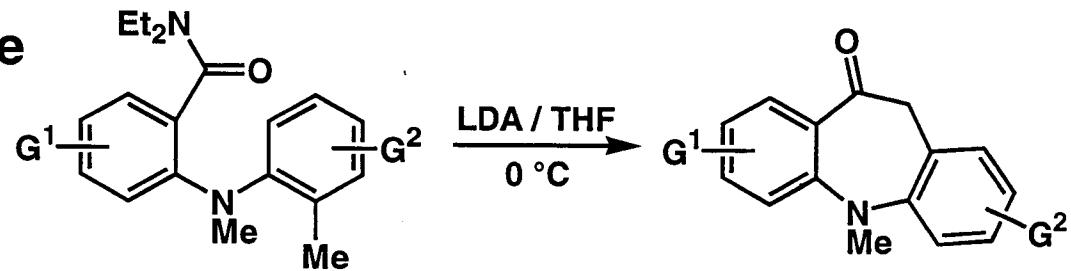


# Summary

- New Synthesis of Acridones by an Anionic Friedel-Crafts Equivalent



- Regioselective Anionic Route to Dibenzo[b,f]azepinones



- Preliminary Mechanistic Studies

