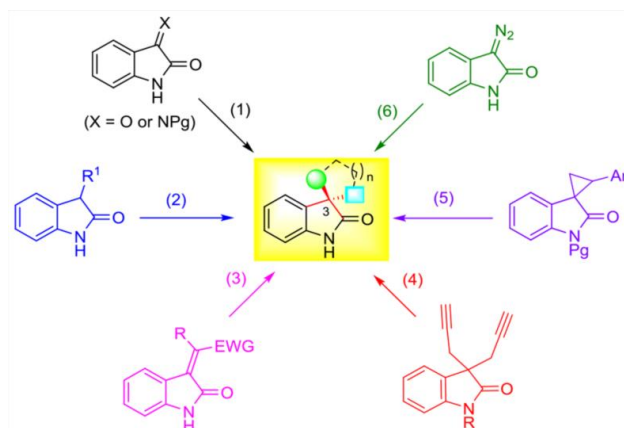


# Development of Synthetic Methodologies via Catalytic Enantioselective Synthesis of 3,3-Disubstituted Oxindoles



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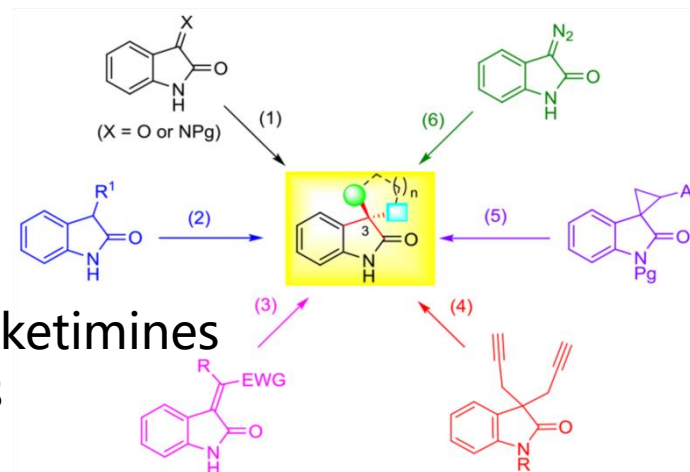
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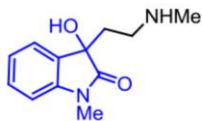
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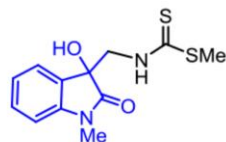


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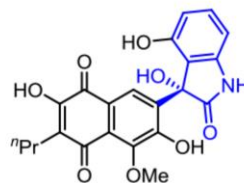
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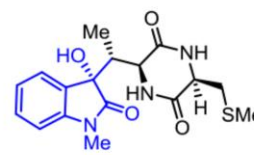
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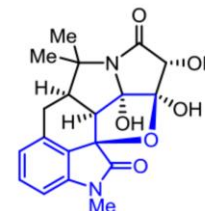
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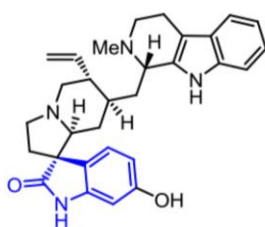
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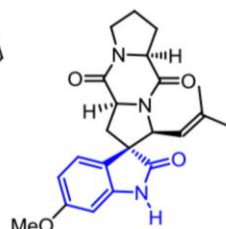
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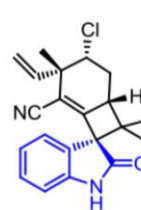
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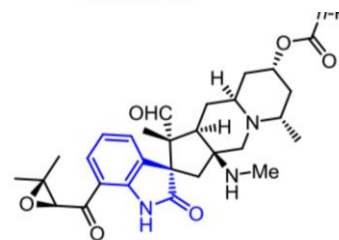
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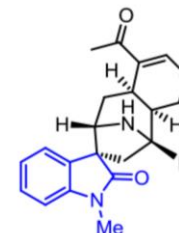
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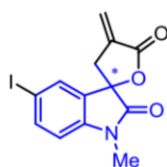


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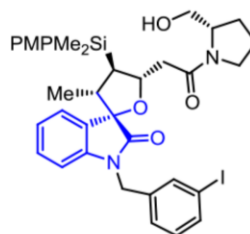
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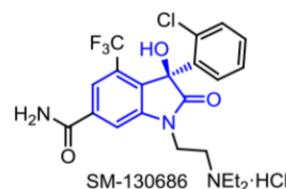
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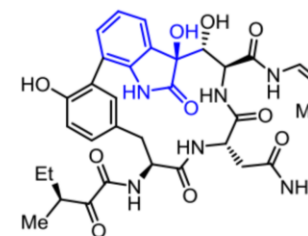
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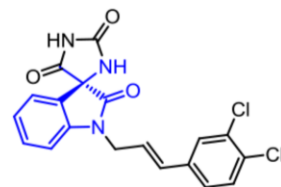
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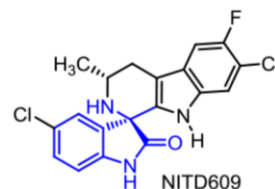
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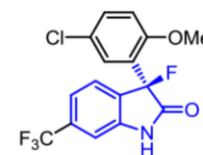
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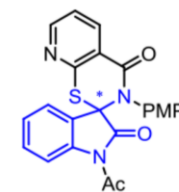
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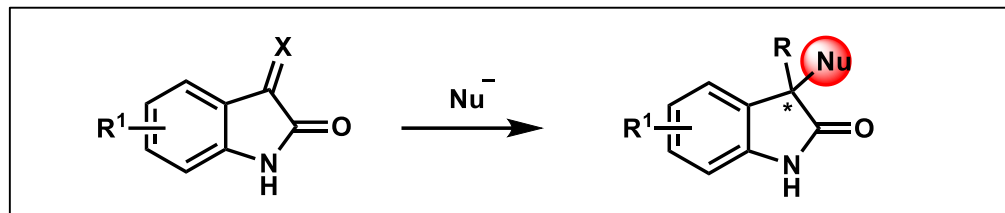


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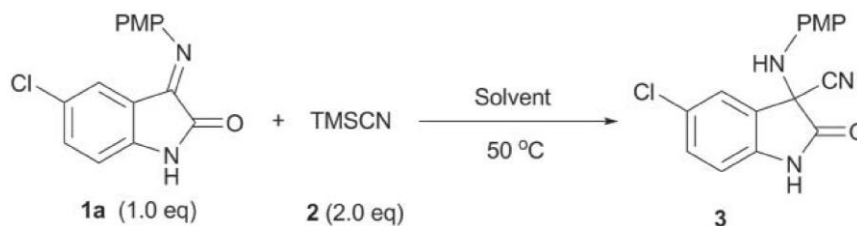


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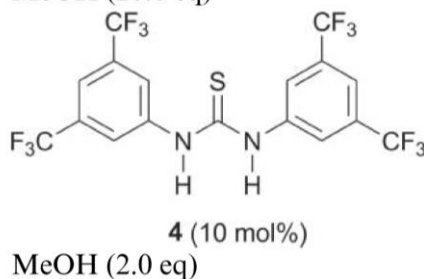
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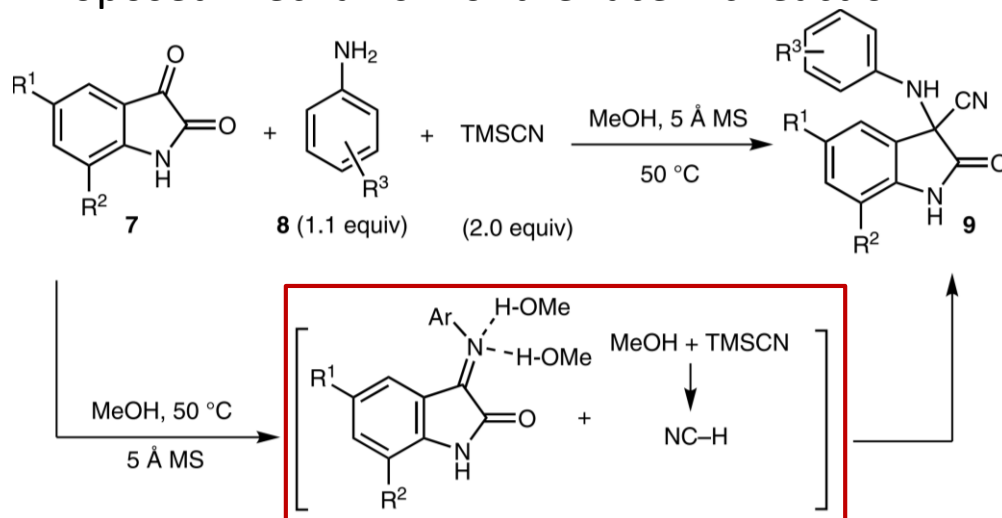
The synthesis of 3-substituted-3-aminooxindoles *via* the Strecker reaction in catalyst-free strategy



Entry <sup>a</sup>	Solvent	Additive	Time/h	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)
1	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	no	48	no
2	MeOH	no	15	84
3	EtOH	no	15	64
4	<i>i</i> -PrOH	no	15	52
5	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	MeOH (2.0 eq)	15	13
6	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	MeOH (4.0 eq)	15	15
7	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	MeOH (8.0 eq)	15	21
8	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	MeOH (12.0 eq)	15	64
9	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	MeOH (16.0 eq)	15	70
10	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl	MeOH (20.0 eq)	15	79
11	CH <sub>2</sub> ClCH <sub>2</sub> Cl		15	36



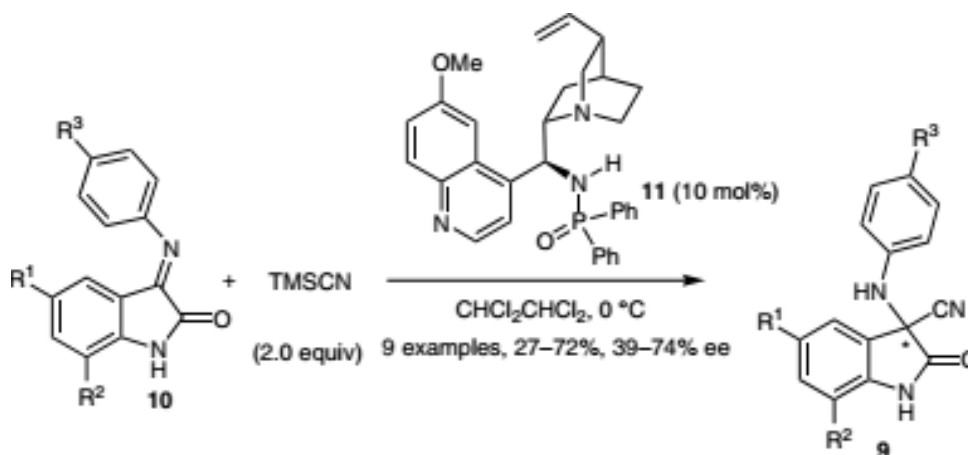
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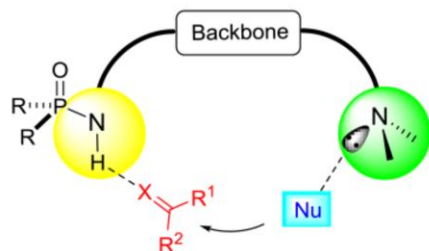
### Dule role:

- ✓ Formation and activation of the corresponding isatin ketimines
- ✓ React with TMSCN to release hydrogen cyanide

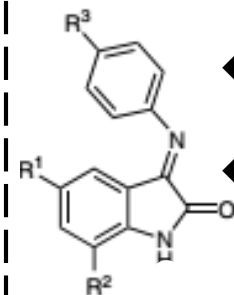
The first catalytic asymmetric addition of nucleophiles to isatin ketimines.



### Bifunctional phosphoramidate (phosphinamide) catalysts

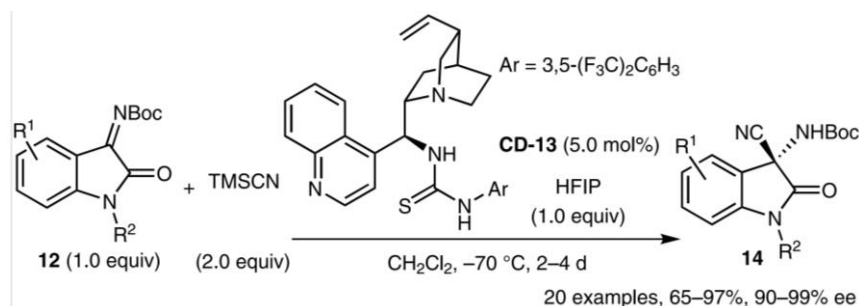


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- 3) Two amide substituents as shielding groups
- 4) Tunable pKa value of amide N-H bond
- 5) P=O bond as Lewis base



- ◆ Difficult to remove the N-aryl group
- ◆ low reactivity

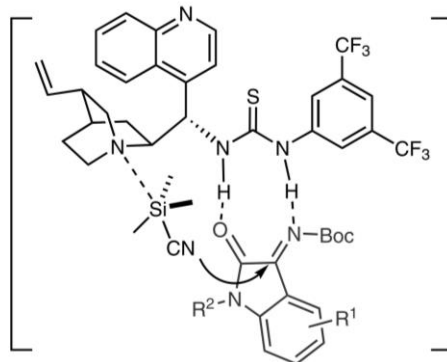
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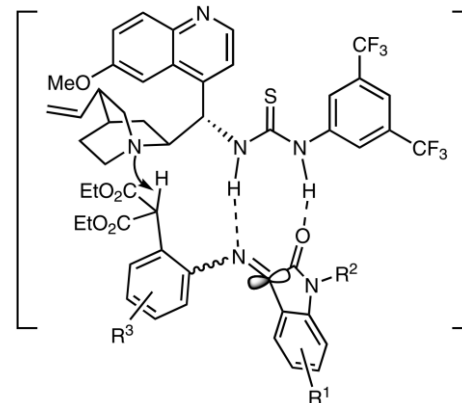
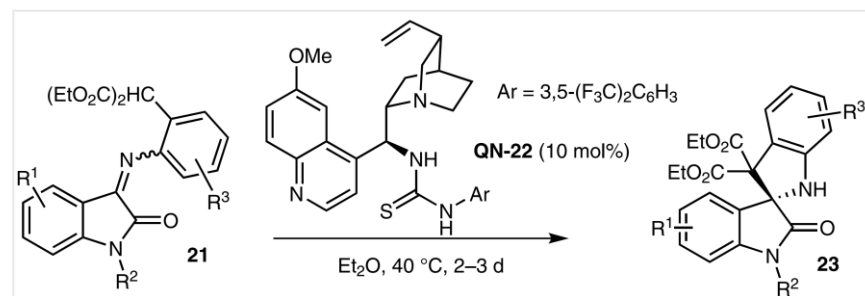
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(R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = Me)



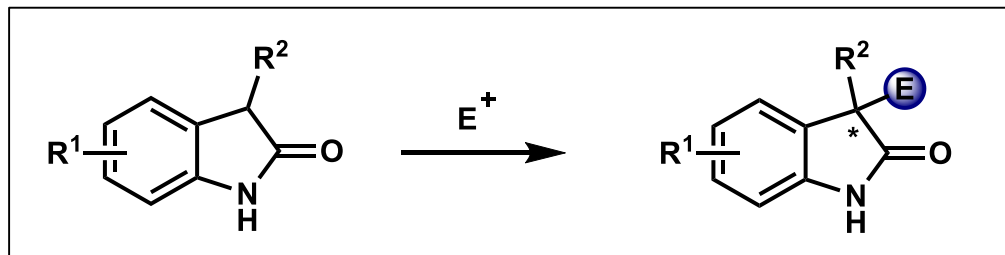
56%, 70% ee (using **15**)  
vs  
93%, 98% ee (using **CD-13**)



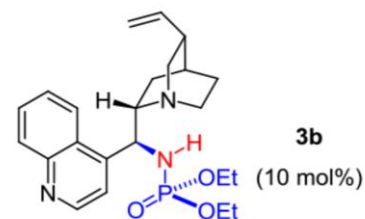
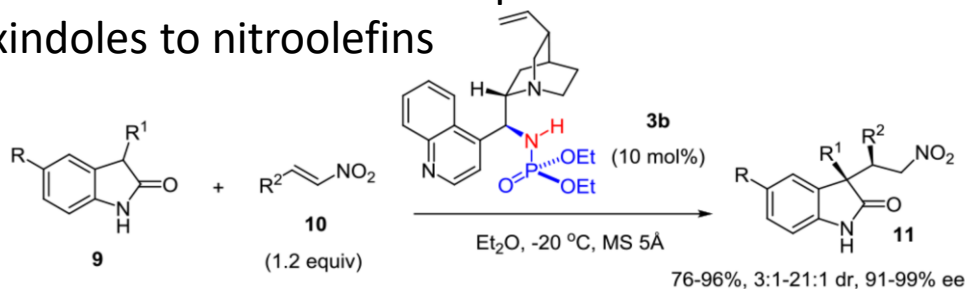
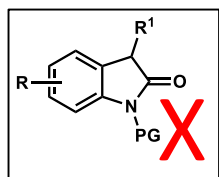
The first example of asymmetric 6π-electrocyclic reaction to construct a tetrasubstituted carbon center



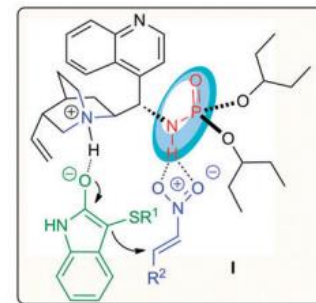
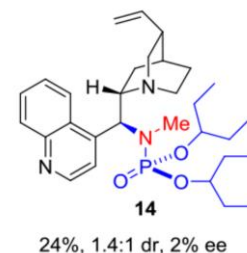
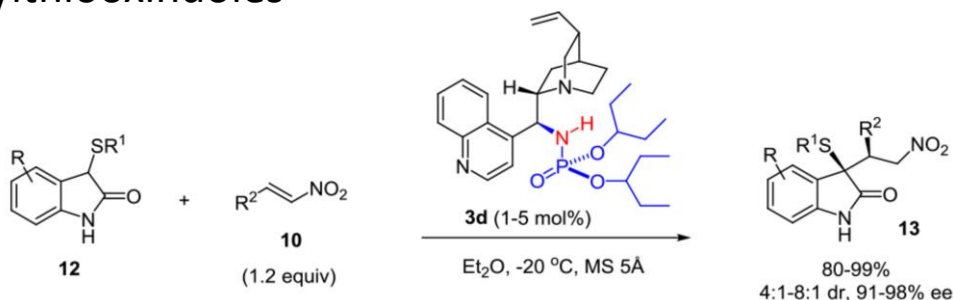
# Bifunctional catalysis: 3-substituted oxindoles as nucleophiles



The asymmetric Michael addition of unprotected 3-substituted oxindoles to nitroolefins



Highly enantioselective Michael addition of 3-alkylthio- and 3-arylthiooxindoles



Varying the size of the alkoxy group of phosphoramidate could effectively improve the enantiofacial control

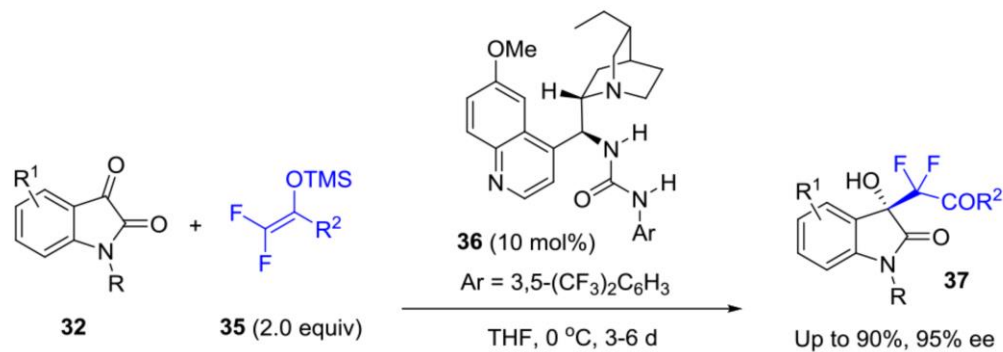
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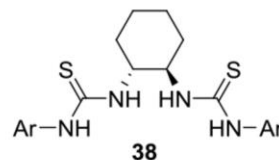
# Mukaiyama aldol reaction of isatins

Highly enantioselective quinine-derived urea-catalyzed Mukaiyama aldol reaction of isatins with difluoroenoxy silanes .

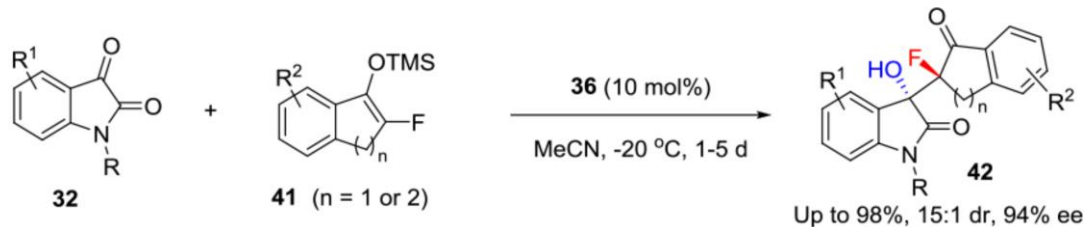


Control experiments (R = Me, R<sup>1</sup> = H, R<sup>2</sup> = Ph, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> as solvent):

- 1) with **38** (10 mol%): 3 d, no reaction
- 2) with DMAP (10 mol%): 1 d, 95% yield
- 3) **38** (10 mol%) + DMAP (10 mol%): 3 d, 94% yield, 11% ee

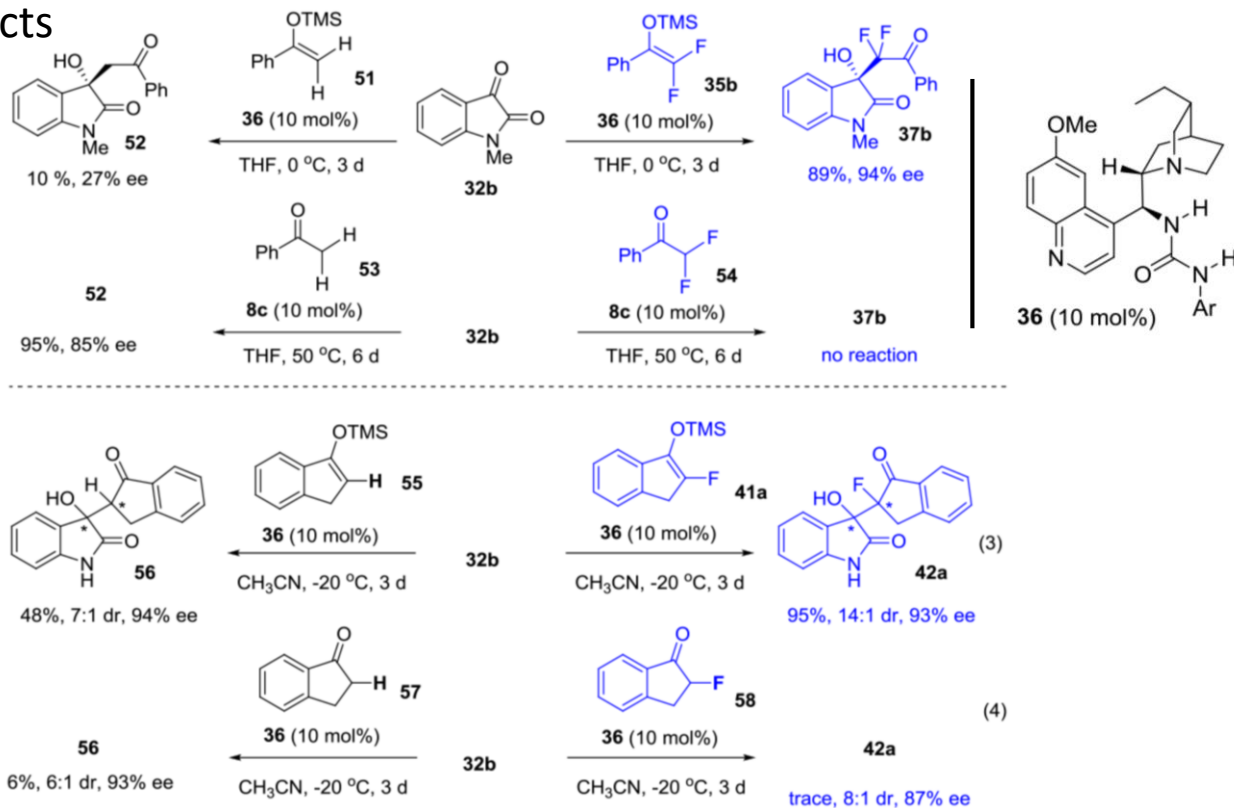


The Mukaiyama aldol reaction of isatins with monofluorinated silyl enol ethers

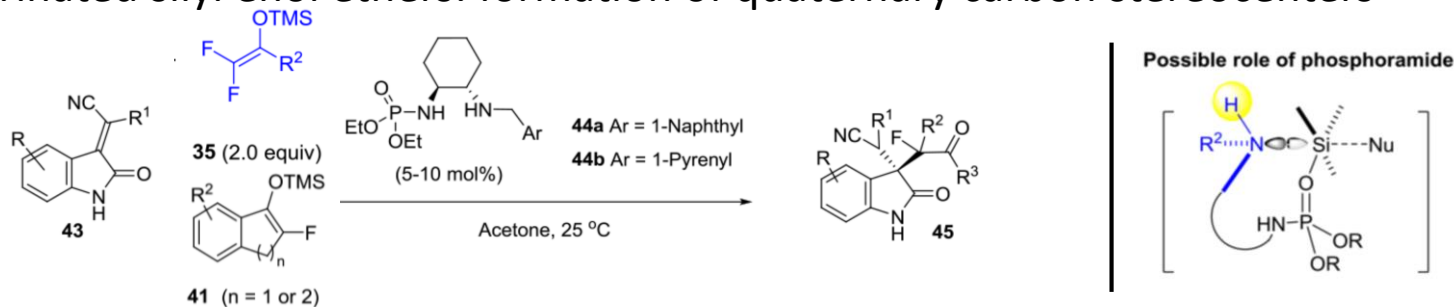


# Michael Addition of isatins

## Fluorine Effects

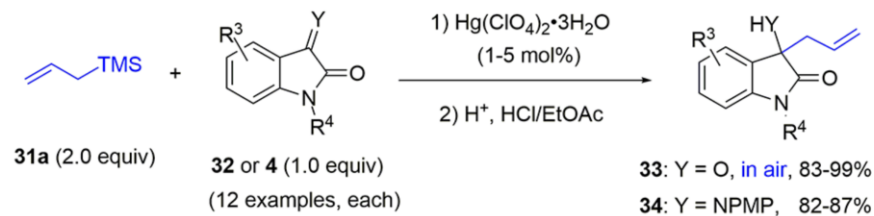


Michael addition catalyzed by chiral **secondary amine** phosphoramide using fluorinated silyl enol ethers: formation of quaternary carbon stereocenters

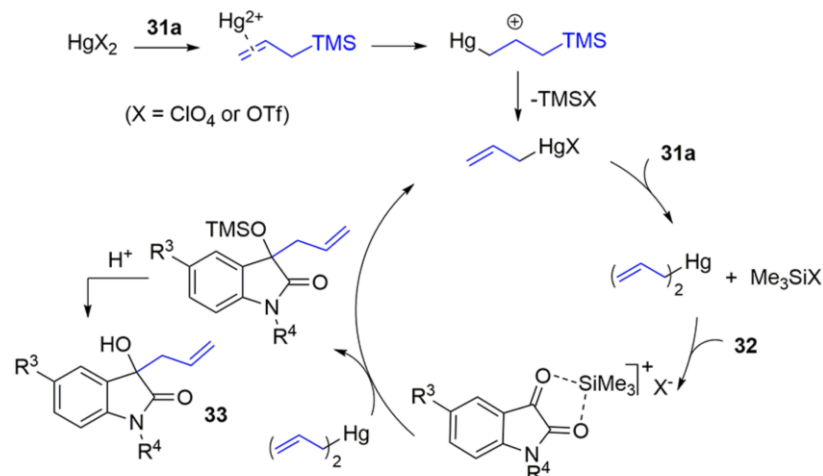




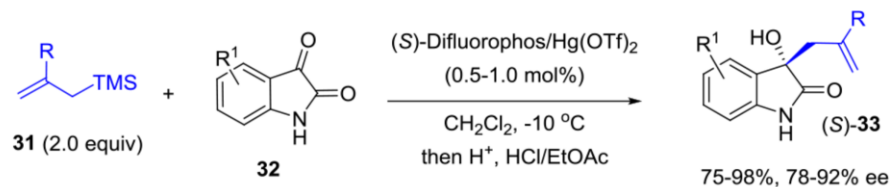
# Hg(II)-Catalyzed asymmetric allylation of isatins or isatin ketemines



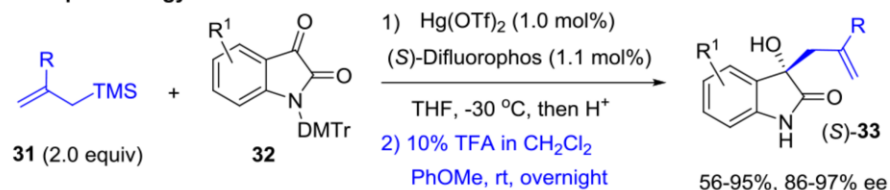
Proposed Mechanism



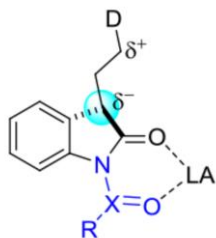
## The allylation of **unprotected isatins** with allyltrimethylsilane by Hg(II)



One-pot strategy

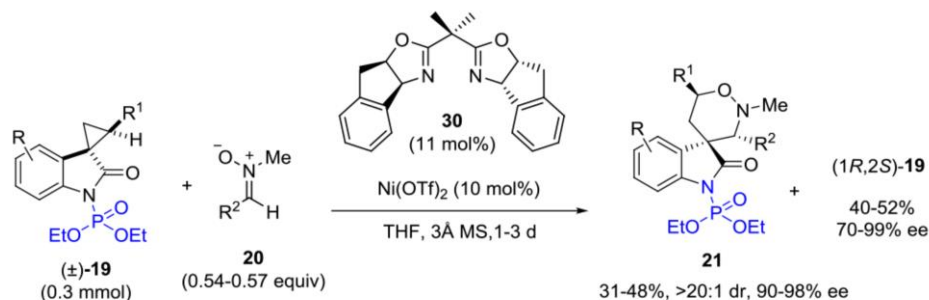


# Activation of spirocyclopropyl oxindoles

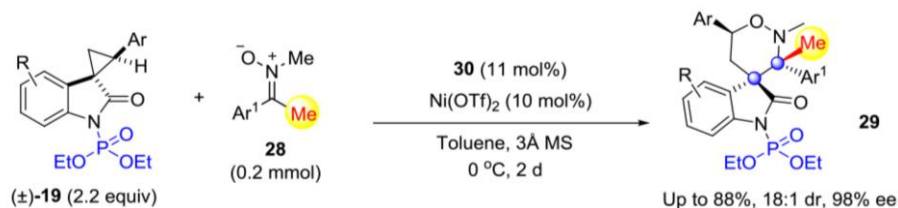


- 1) Stabilize the negative charge developed at C3
- 2) Enable chelation control for enantiofacial control
- 3) Easily installed and removed

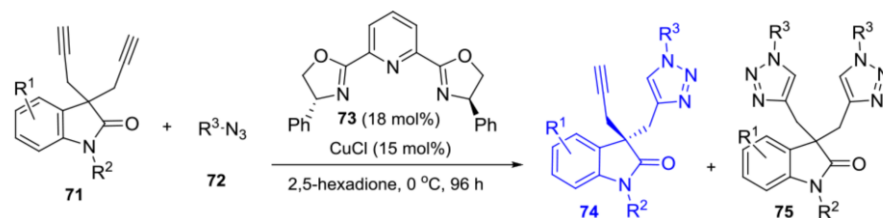
## Highly stereoselective [3 + 3] cycloaddition with nitron



## The first example based on unactivated ketonitrones



## Others: the first highly enantioselective desymmetric Cu-catalyzed alkyne-azide cycloaddition of oxindole-based 1,6-heptadiynes



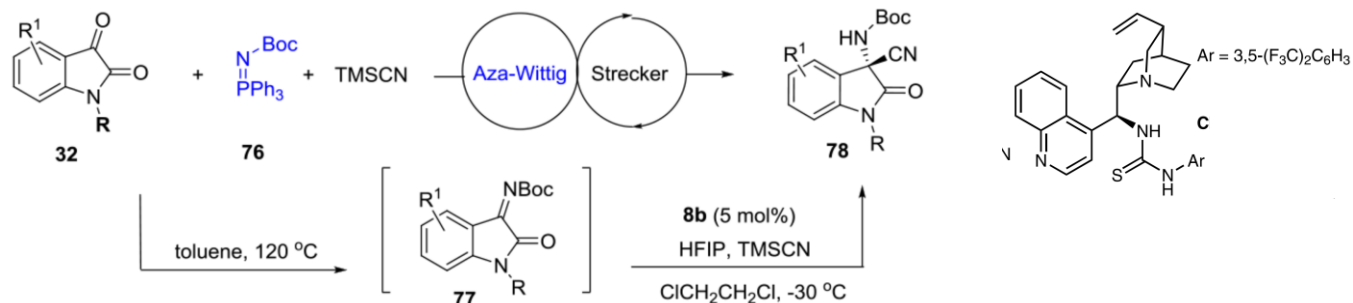
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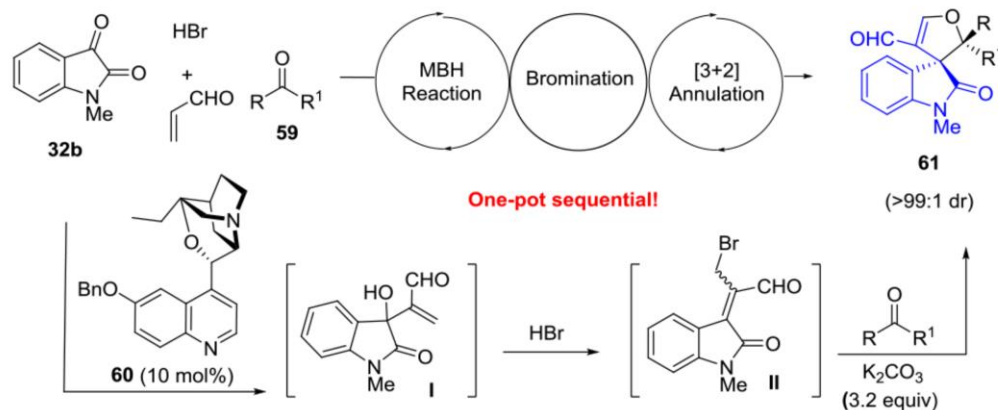
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# Sequential tandem reaction

The one-pot Strecker reaction of ketimines formed in situ from achiral ketones: tandem aza-Wittig/ Strecker reaction of isatins



Novel MBH/bromination/annulation sequence consisting of three intermolecular reactions



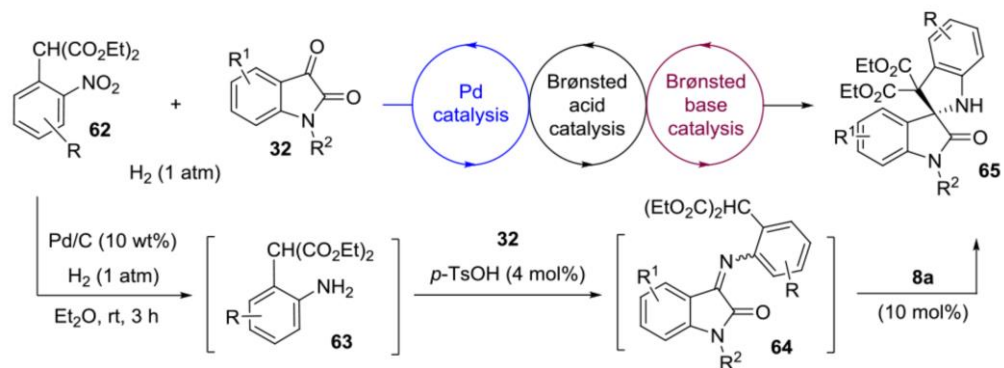
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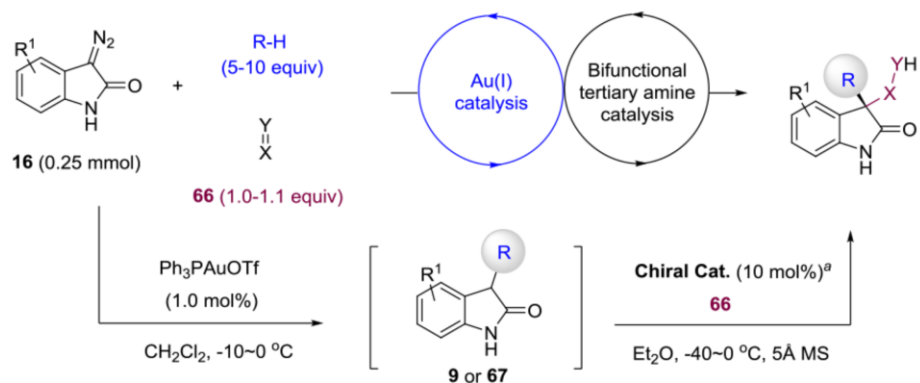
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## Novel Pd/Brønsted acid/Brønsted base sequential catalysis



## Sequential Au(I)/chiral tertiary amine catalysis



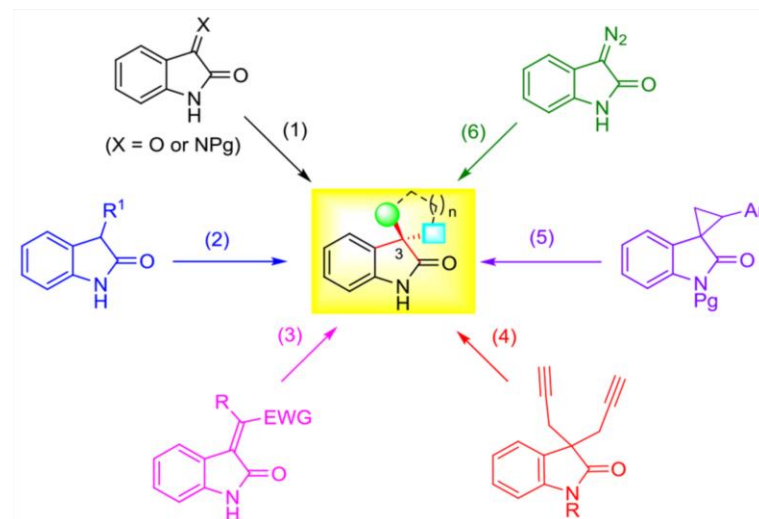
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# Conclusion

1. Developed a variety of efficient protocols based on six approaches classified by the oxindole synthons involved, allowing facile access to oxindole derivatives with broad structural diversity.

- ◆ Nucleophilic addition to isatin ketimines
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- ◆ Functionalization of oxindole-derived alkenes
- ◆ Desymmetrization of oxindole-based diynes
- ◆ Spirocyclopropyl oxindoles as donor-acceptor cyclopropanes
- ◆ Sequential tandem reaction



2. These new catalysts, activation models, and methodologies can be utilized by synthetic chemist.



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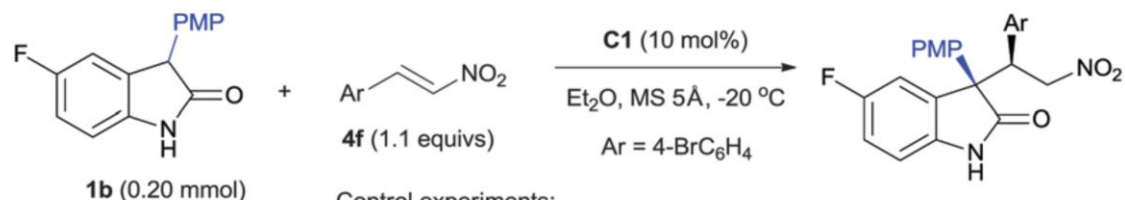
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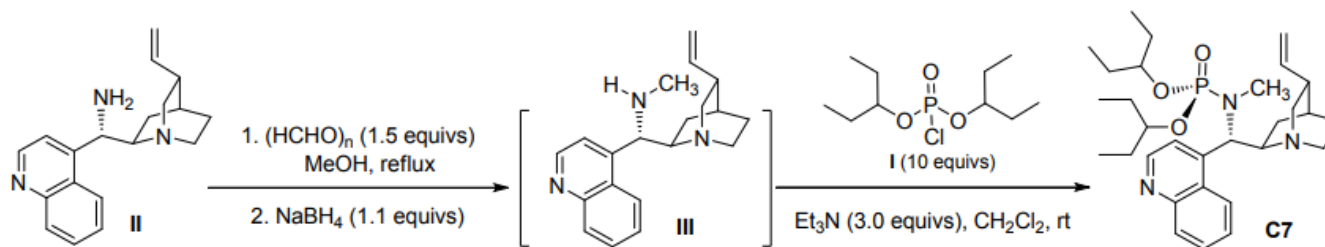
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## Control experiment

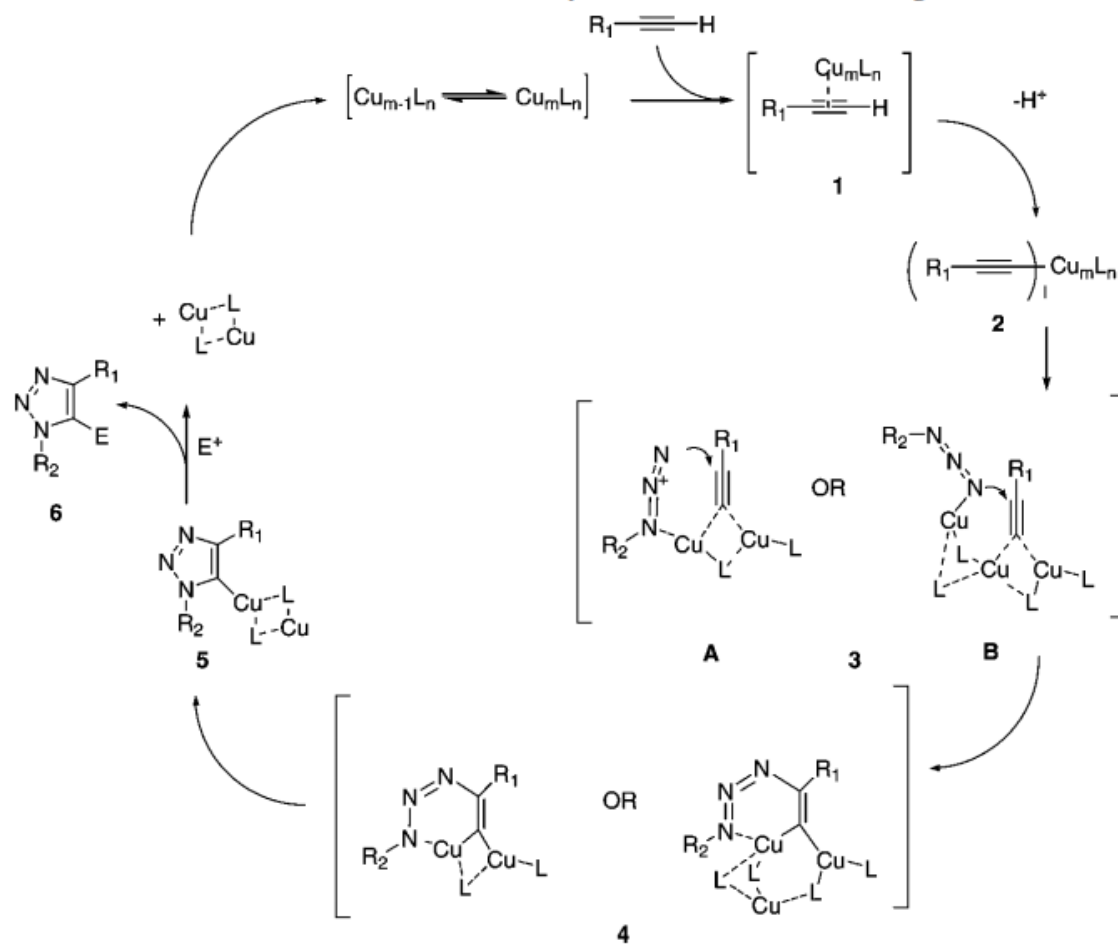


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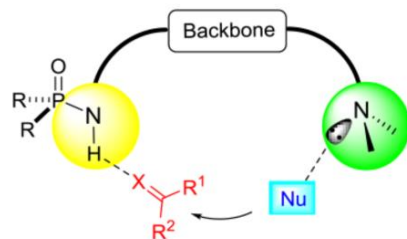
- 1) no Ph<sub>3</sub>PAuOTf: 3 d, 82%, 6:1 dr, 97% ee
- 2) Ph<sub>3</sub>PAuOTf (1.0 mol%): 3 d, 80%, 6:1 dr, 97% ee
- 3) Ph<sub>3</sub>PAuOTf (2.0 mol%): 4 d, 82%, 5:1 dr, 72% ee
- 4) Ph<sub>3</sub>PAuOTf (5 mol%): 4 d, 73%, 4:1 dr, 69% ee
- 5) Ph<sub>3</sub>PAuOTf (10 mol%): 4 d, 38%, 2:1 dr, 33% ee



**Scheme 1. Outline of Plausible Mechanisms for the Cu(1) Catalyzed Reaction between Organic Azides and Terminal Alkynes<sup>a</sup>**



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