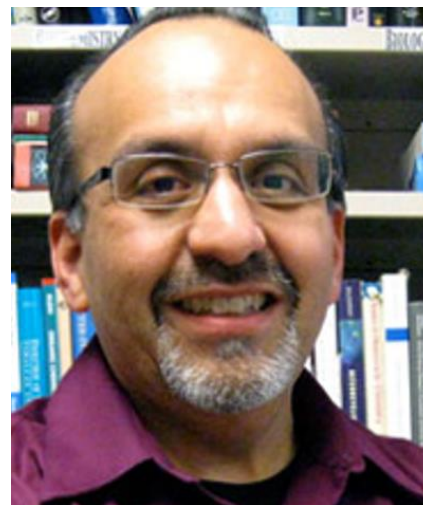


Asymmetric Organocatalysis:
The Emerging Utility of
 α,β -Unsaturated Acylammonium Salts

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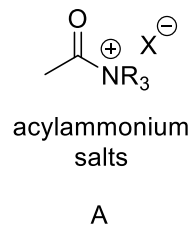
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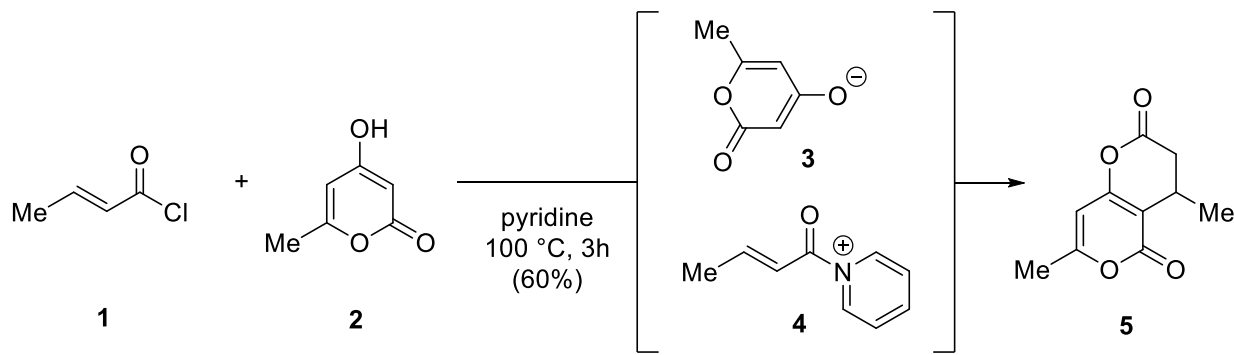
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1. Introduction

- The seminal work of Wegler in 1932 demonstrated the potential of chiral acylammonium salts **A** for asymmetric acyl-transfer processes.



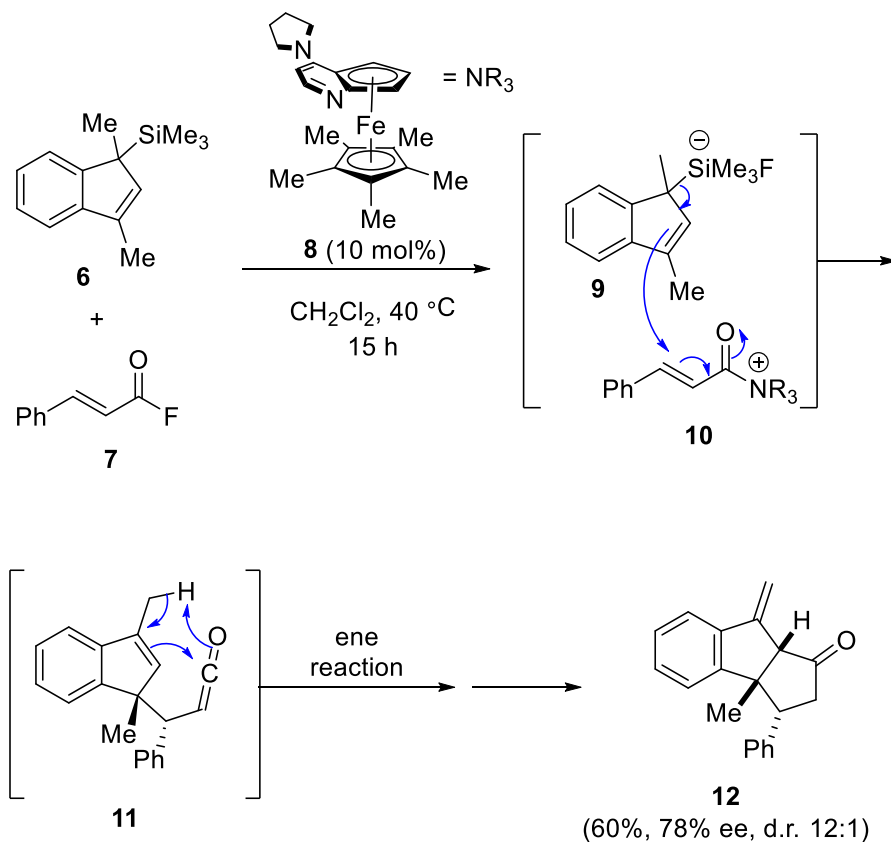
- In the 1960s, Yamamura first studied α,β -unsaturated acylammonium salts for Michael reactions/lactonization reactions by employing pyridine as both a solvent and a Lewis base.



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1. Introduction

- In 2006, the group of Fu introduced the first use of chiral α,β -unsaturated acylammonium salts for an organocascade reaction.

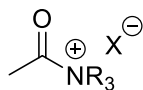


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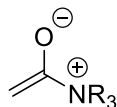
- These discoveries ultimately ushered in a new family of chiral intermediates for organocatalysis, the acylammonium family.

Acylammonium Family of Chiral Intermediates



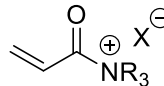
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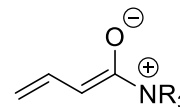
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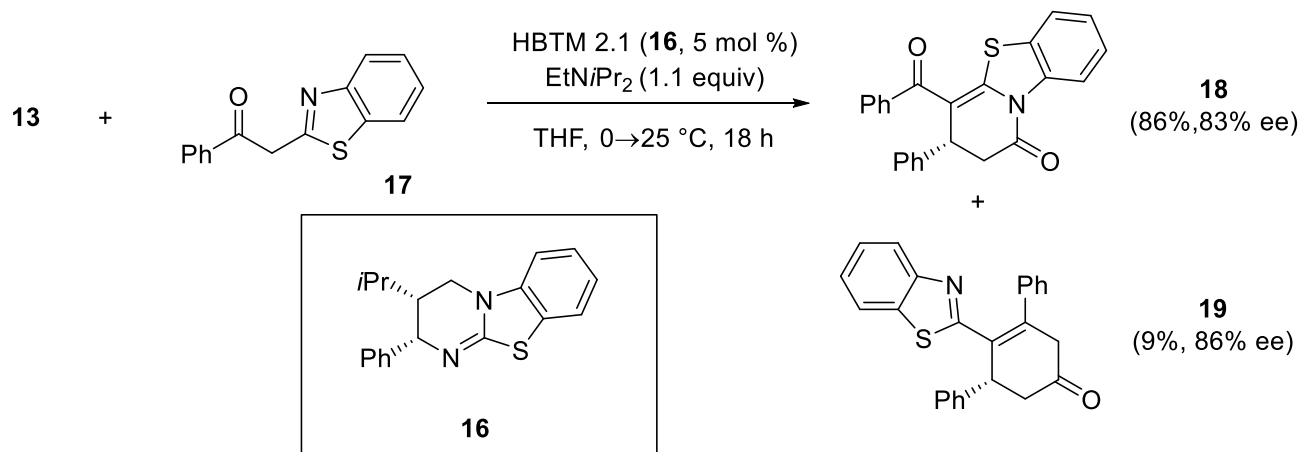
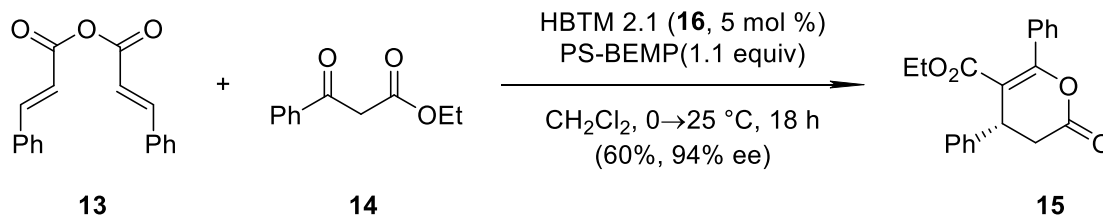


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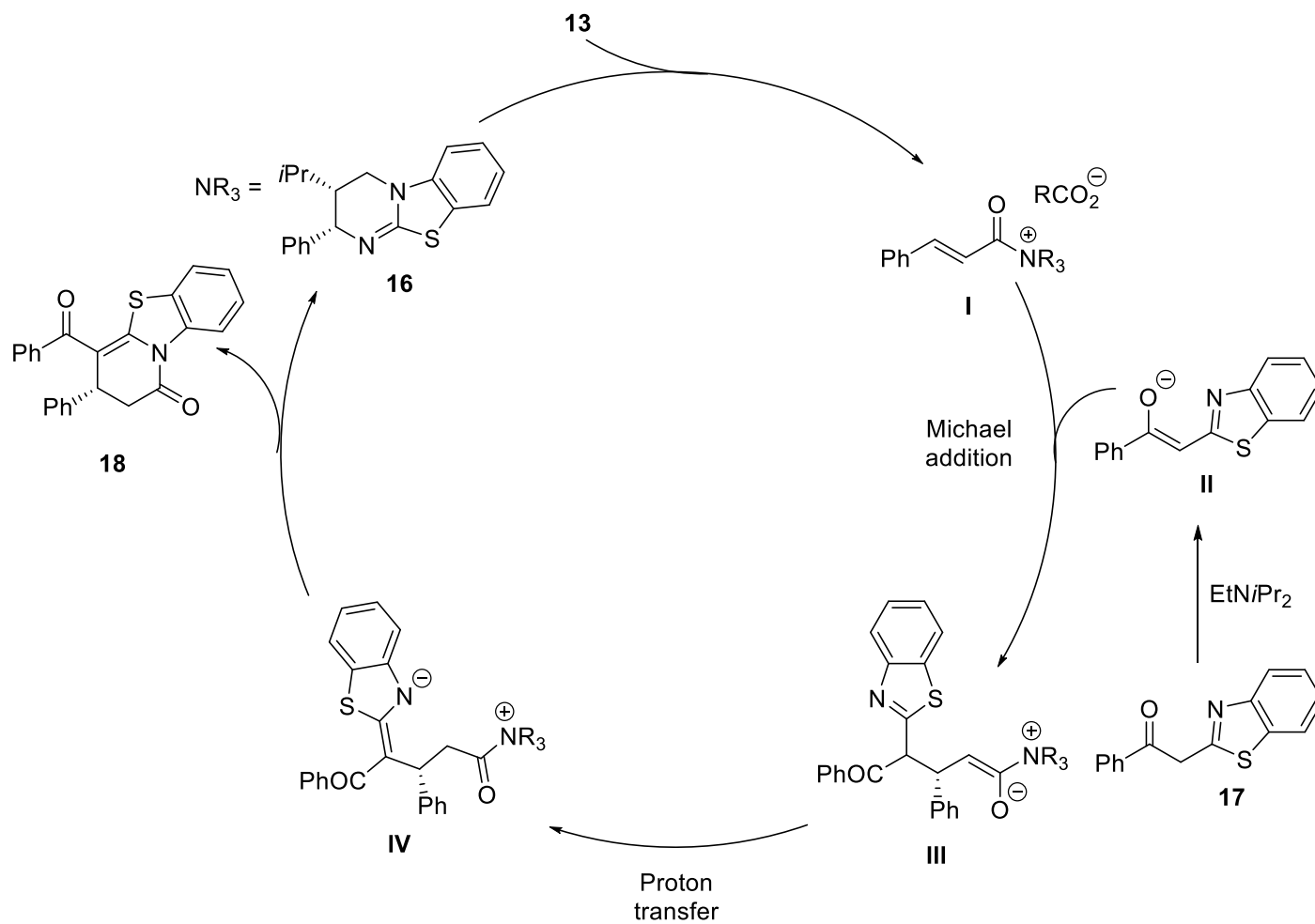
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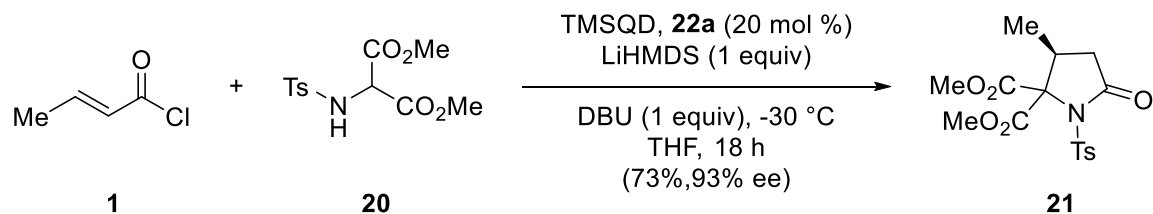
- Catalytic cycle for the formation of lactam **18**.



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- Michael reaction/proton transfer/lactamization organocascade with commodity acid chlorides.

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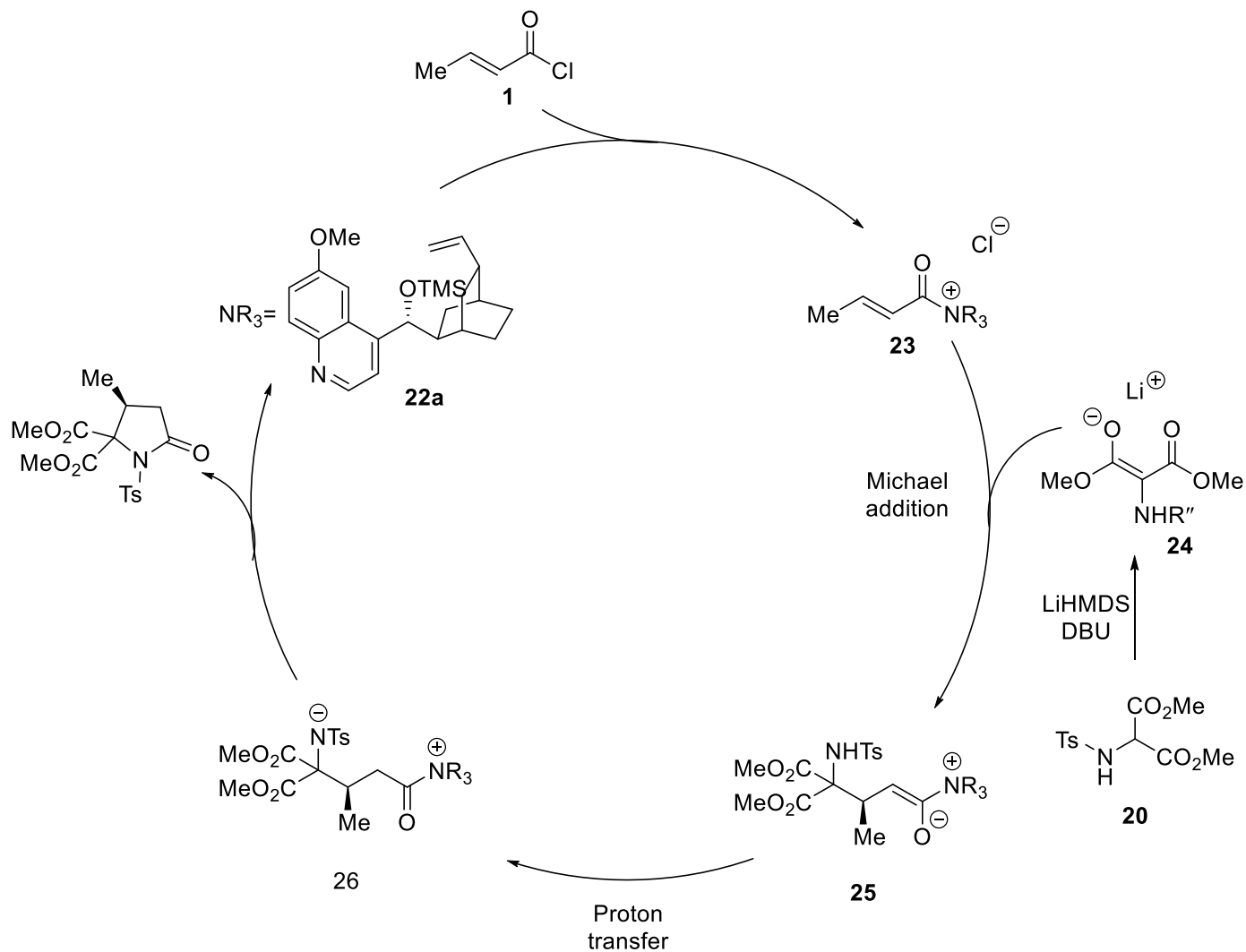


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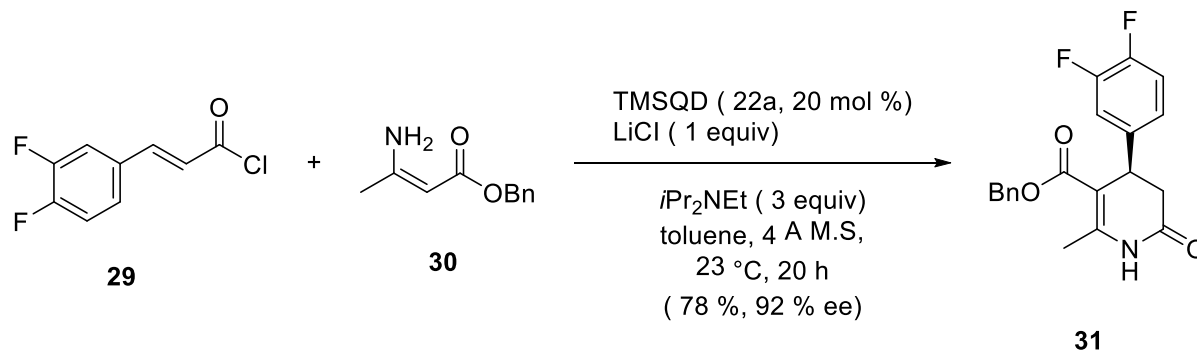
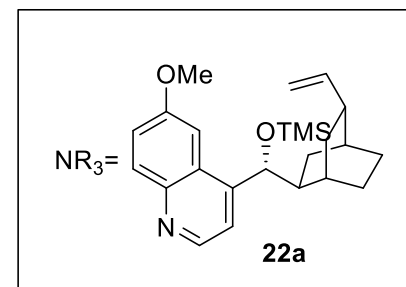
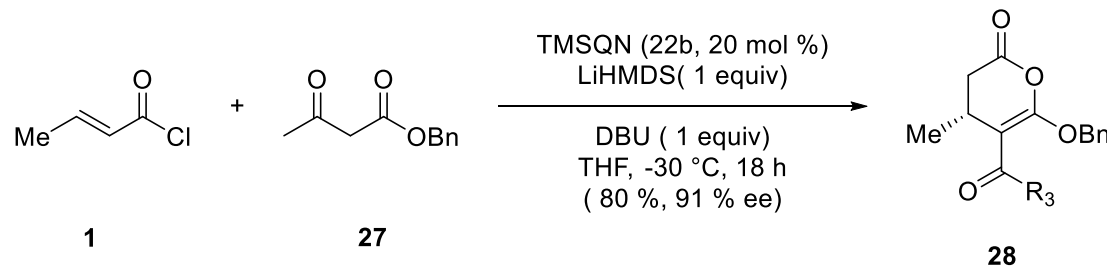
- Proposed catalytic cycle for the organocascade.



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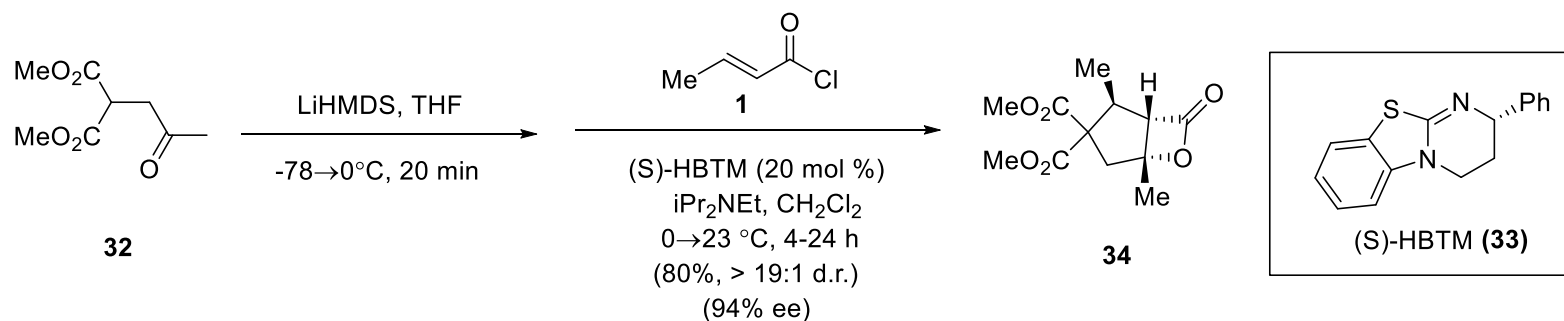
- Michael reaction/proton transfer/lactonization cascade with unsaturated acylammonium salts.

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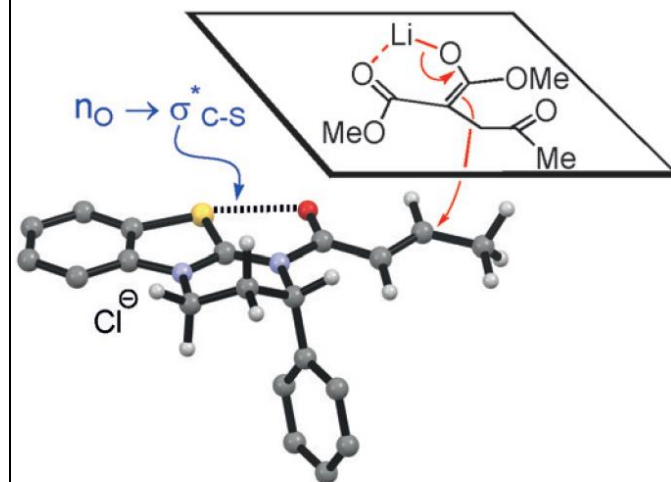
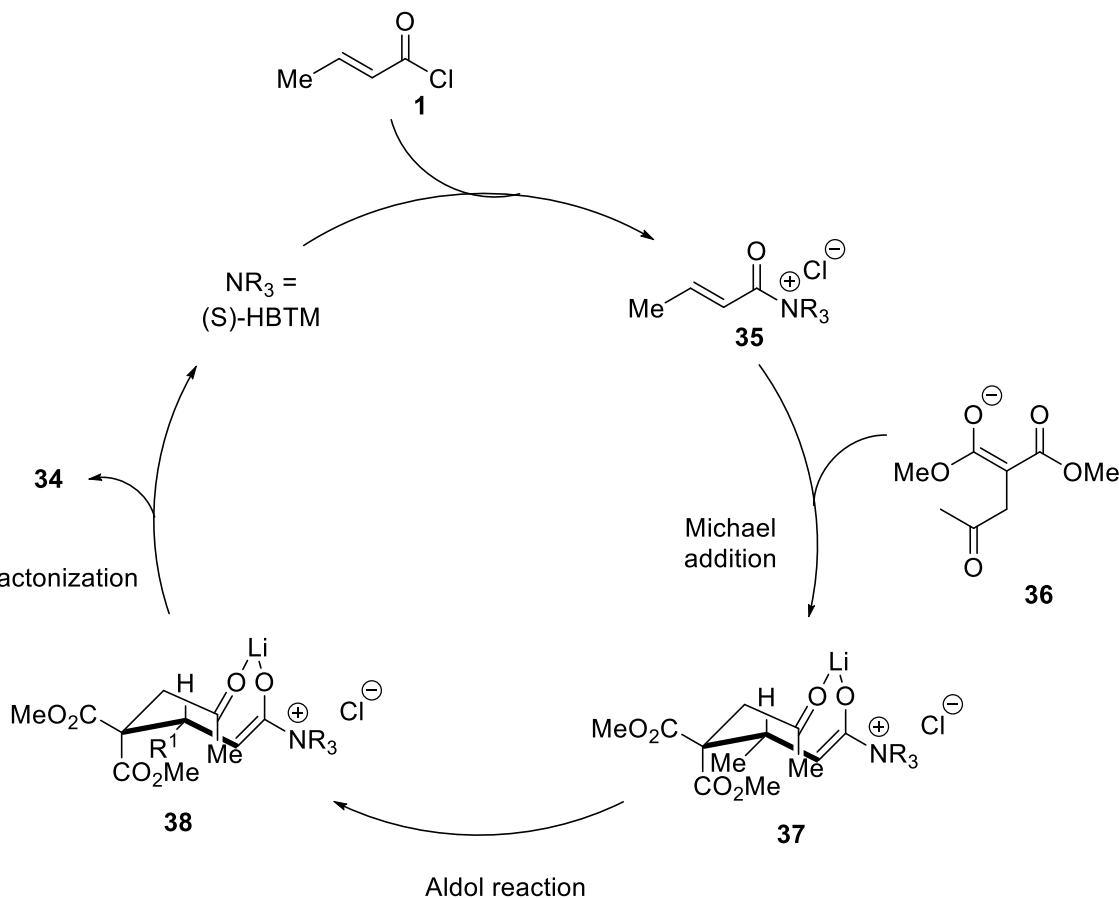
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- A aldol reaction/lactonization sequence led to the rapid construction of highly substituted cyclopentanes bearing fused β -lactone rings.



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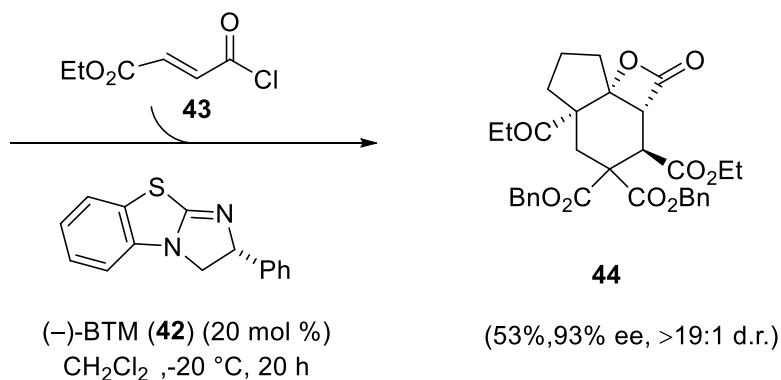
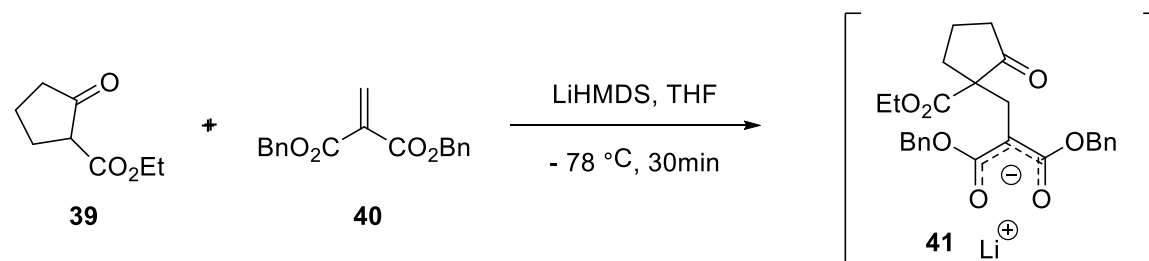


- **Nucleophile-catalyzed Michael reaction/aldol/lactonization (NCMAL) organocascade, proposed catalytic cycle, and rationalization of absolute configuration.**

2.1 Conjugate Additions

- The first multicomponent organocascade involving unsaturated acylammonium salts also featuring a kinetic resolution of an in situ generated racemic malonate enolate (**41**).

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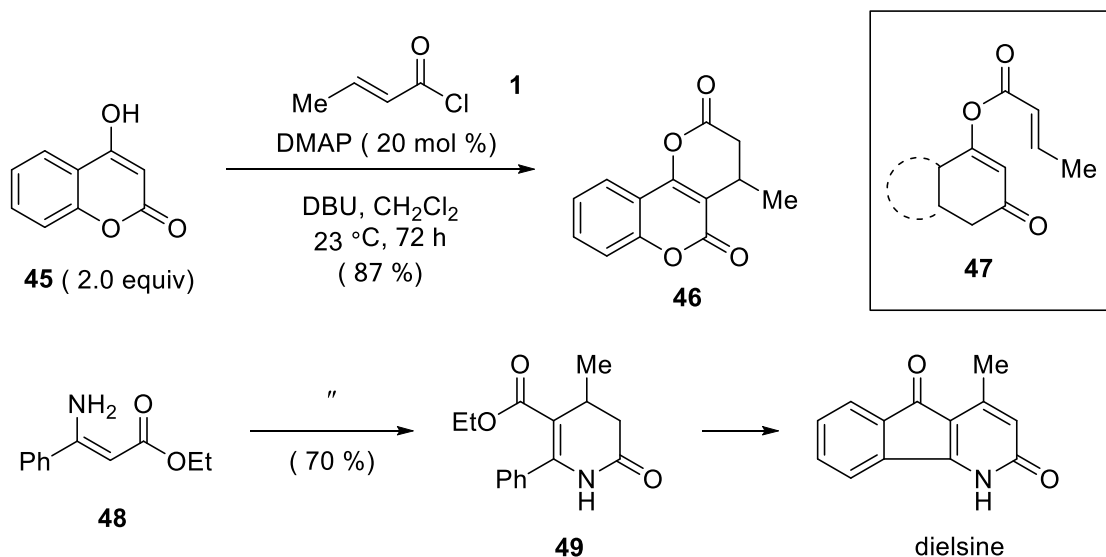


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- Synthesis of polycyclic dihydropyranones (e.g. 46) and a dihydropyridone (49) through a Michael reaction/enol formation/lactonization/enamino lactamization organocascade.

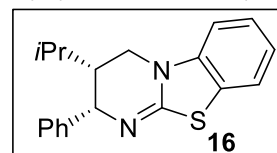
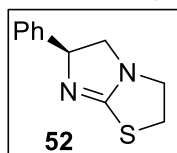
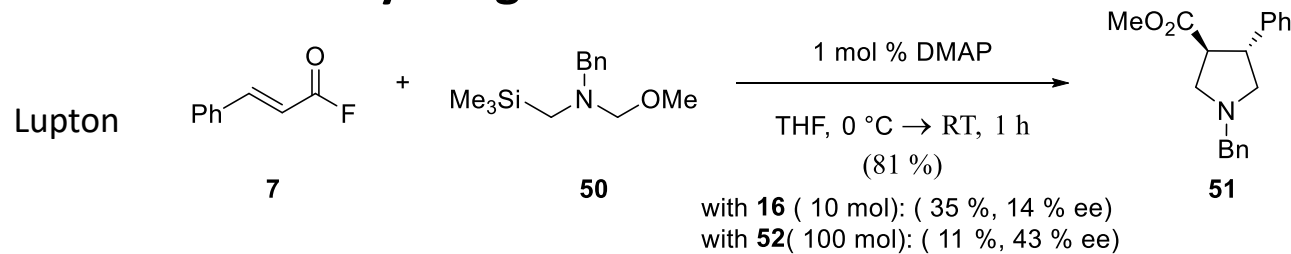
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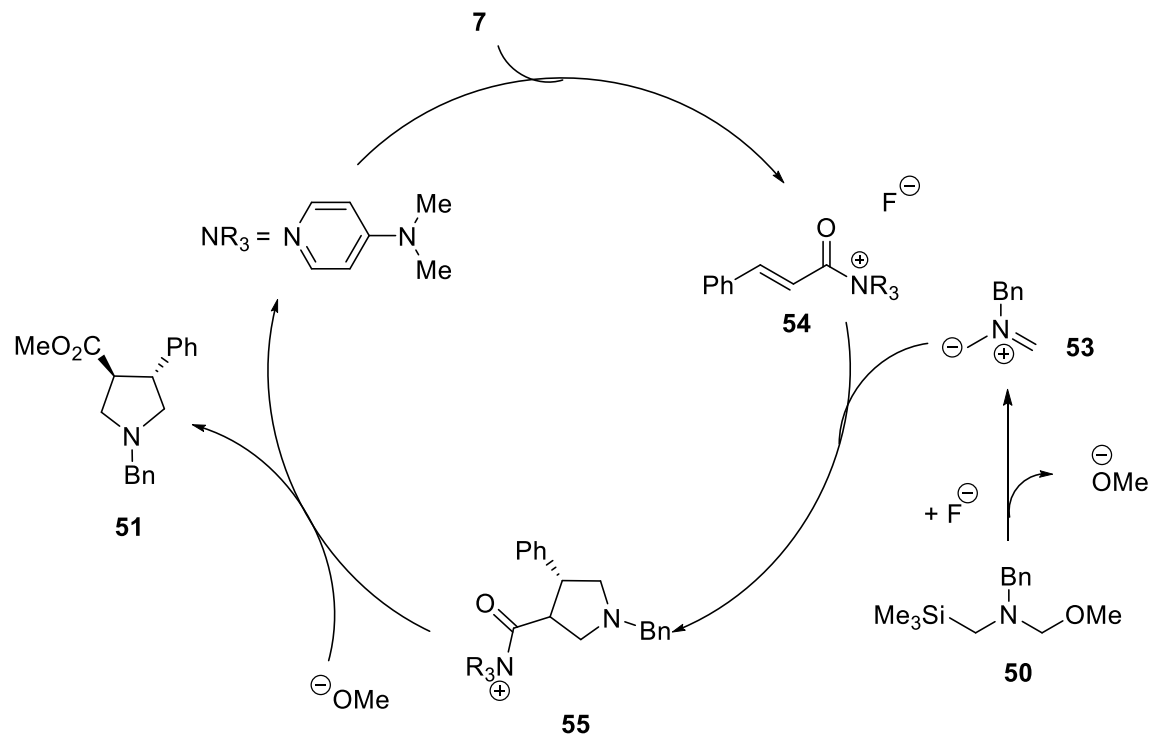
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2.2. Cycloadditions

- 1,3-Dipolar cycloaddition of an unsaturated acylammonium salt with an azomethine ylide generated in situ from **50**.



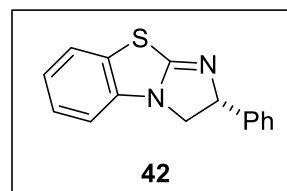
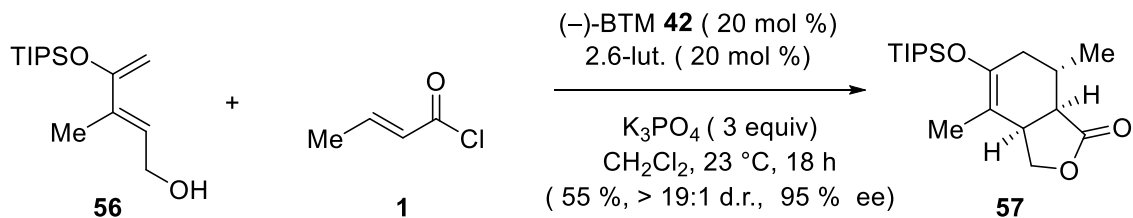
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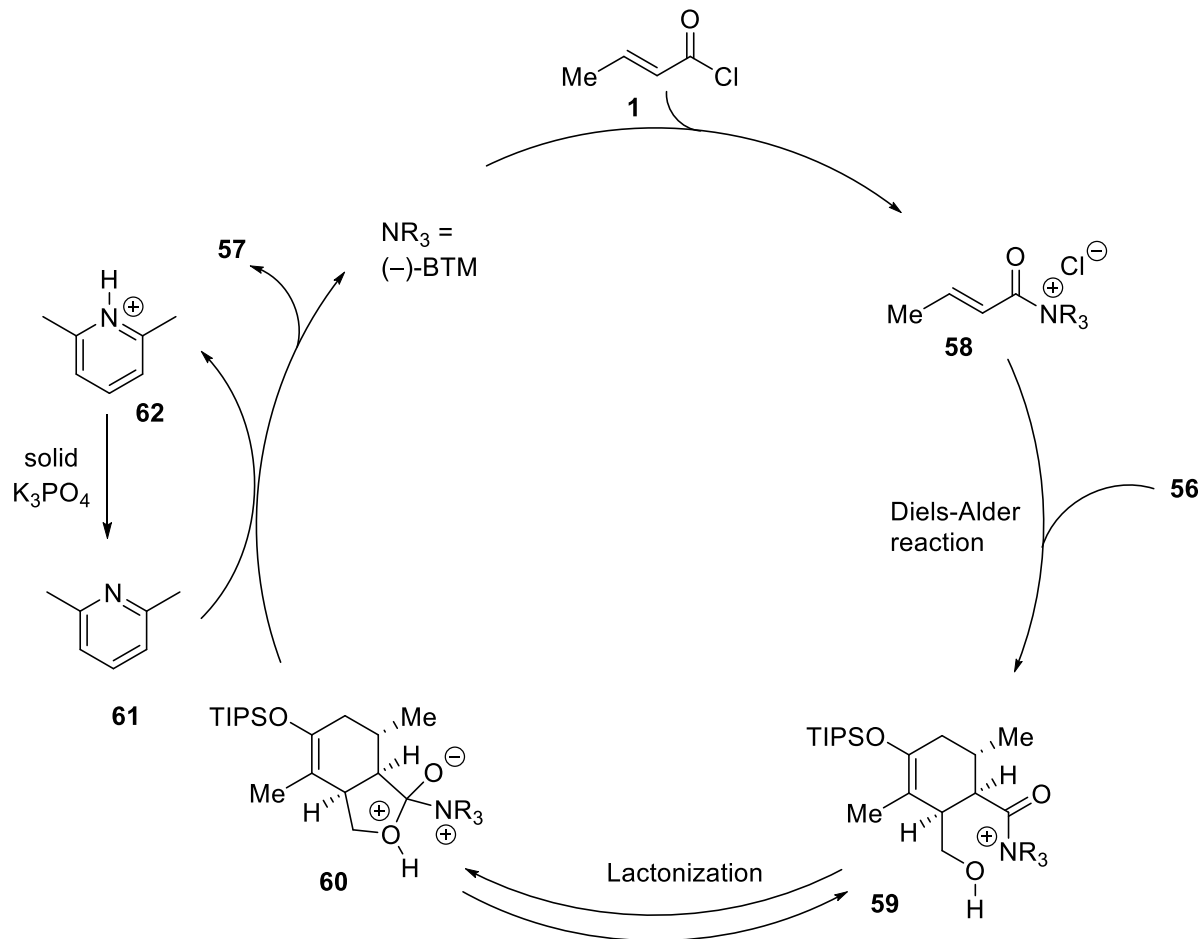
- DAL organocascade, employing novel chiral unsaturated acylammonium dienophiles, and a proposed catalytic cycle.

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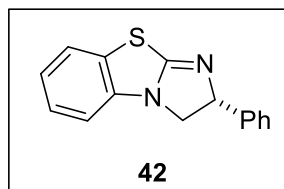
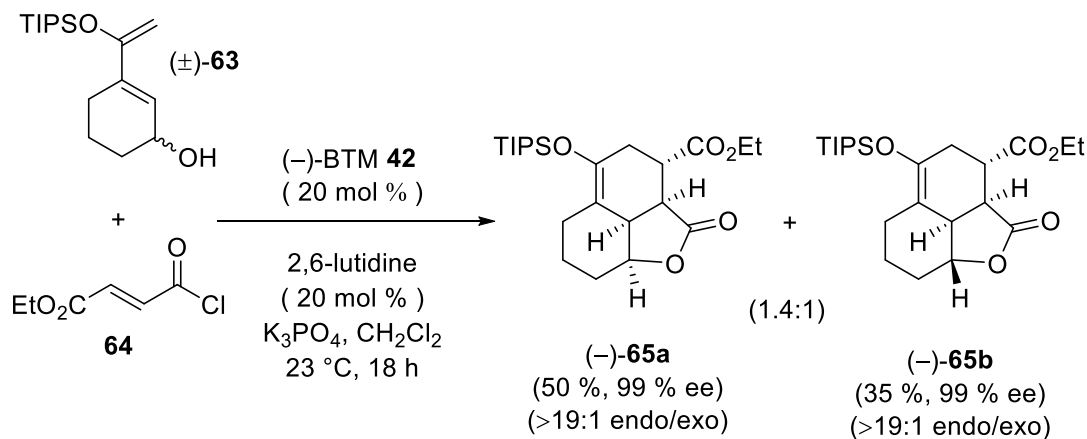
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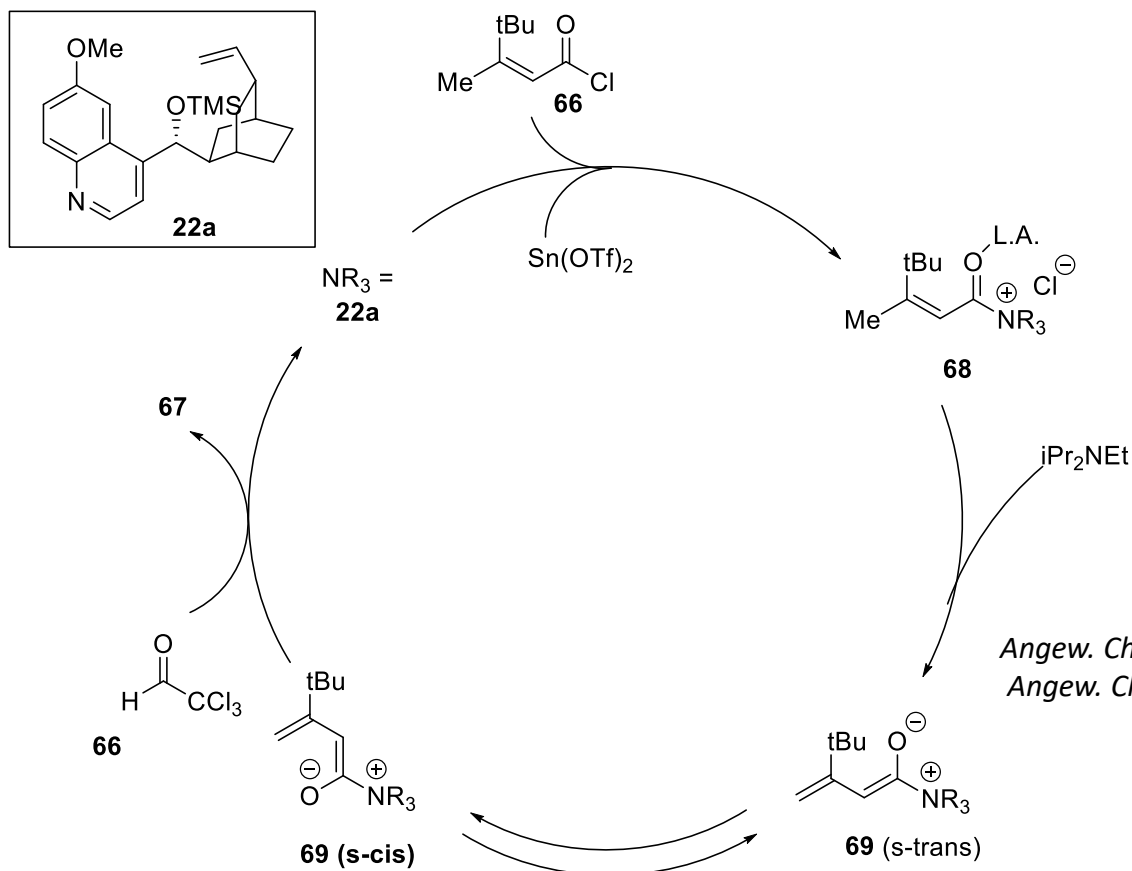
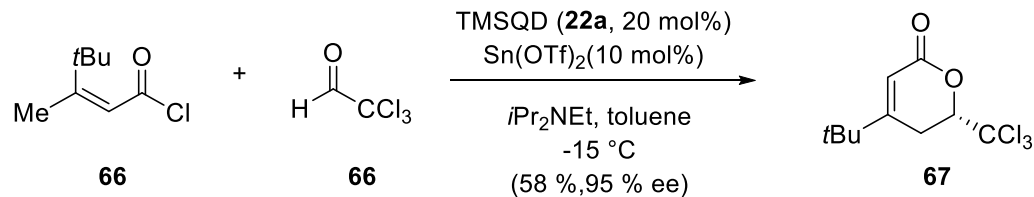
- Stereodivergent DAL organocascades employing racemic diene **63** to deliver the complex and separable diastereomeric cycloadducts **65a,b**.



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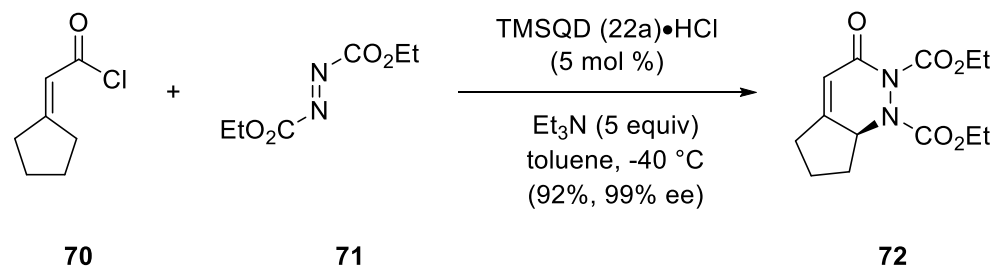
- Generation of an ammonium dienolate and net [4+2]cycloaddition with chloral (66), and postulated catalytic cycle.



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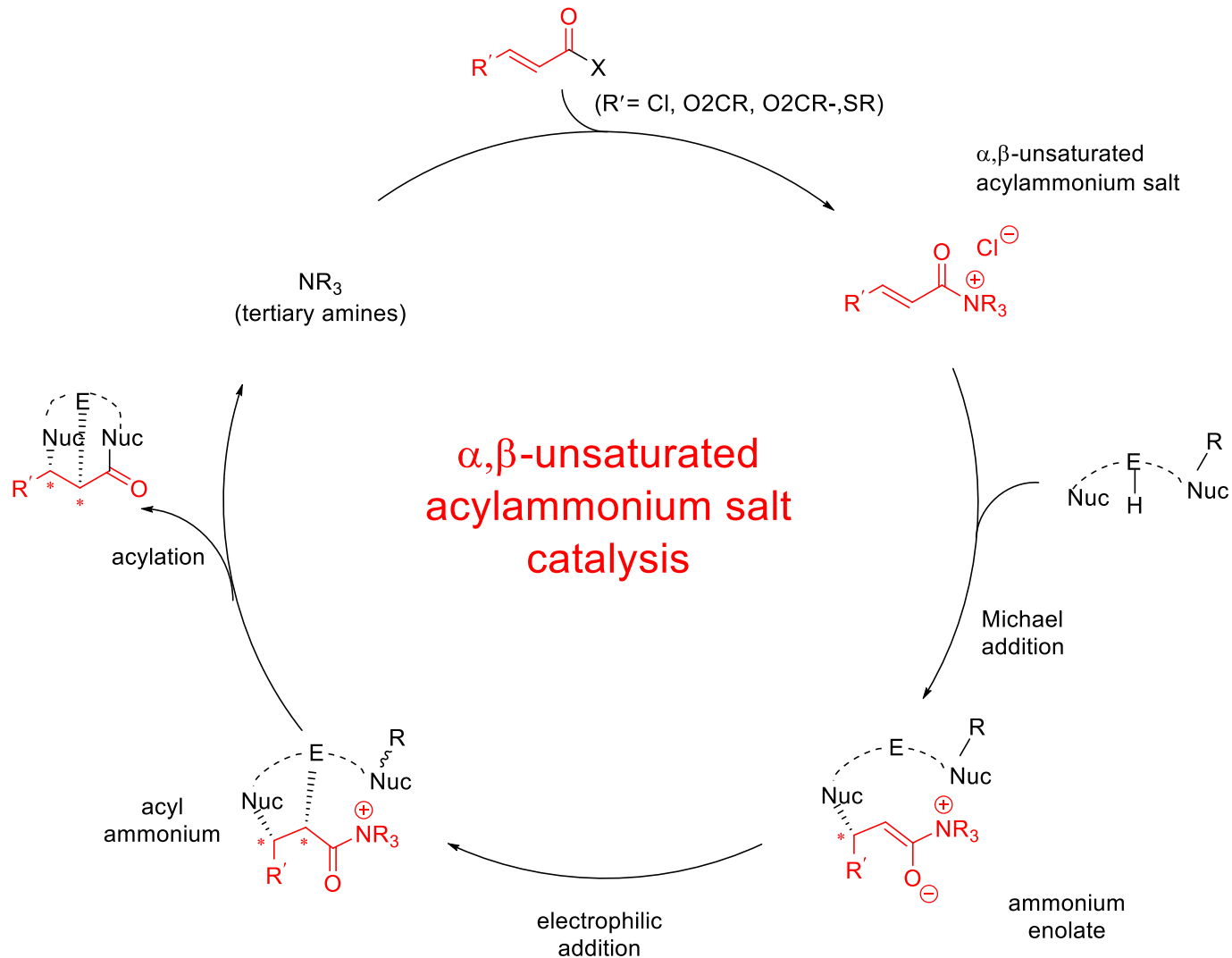
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- [4+2] Cycloaddition of ammonium dienolates and azo compounds leading to the net γ -amination of unsaturated acid chlorides.



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3. Conclusion and Outlook



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