

# **Metalloporphyrin**

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**and**

**~ Synthetic study toward complex metalloporphyrins ~**

Literature Seminar  
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# Topics

## Chapter 1

~as efficient lewis acid catalysts with a unique reaction-field~

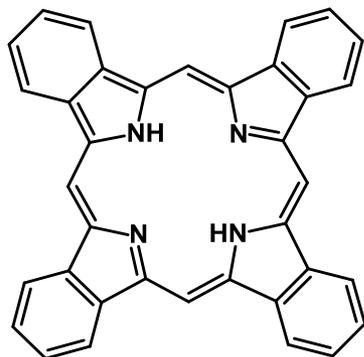
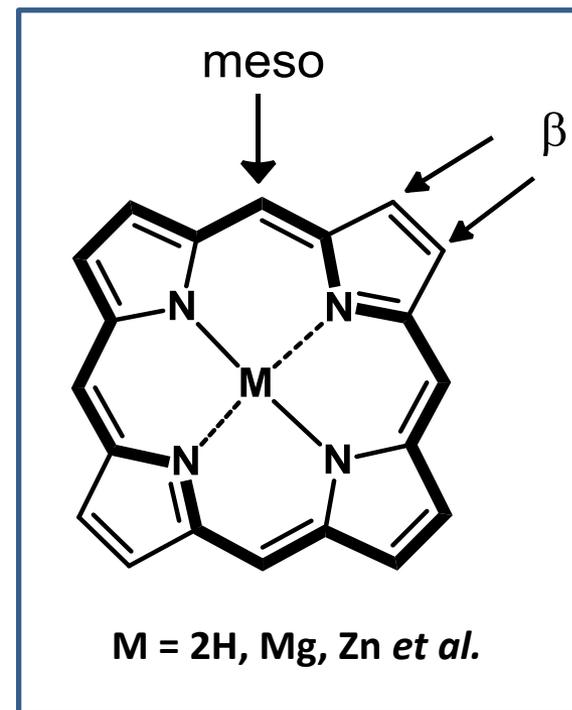
## Chapter 2

~Synthetic study toward complex metalloporphyrins~

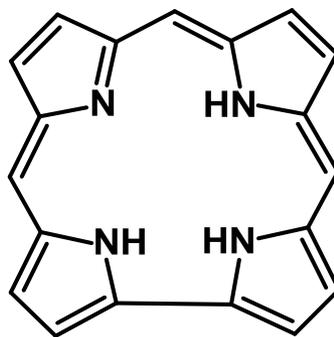
# Introduction : Metalloporphyrins

## What is Porphyrin?

- Macrocyclic tetrapyrrole in a 18- $\pi$  aromatic ring system
- Four-fold coordination, bind the vast majority of metals (Mg, Zn, Cu, Fe ...)
- Three-dimensional architectures created from planar framework ( $\pi$ -stacking, linker connected at meso position)



Phthalocyanine

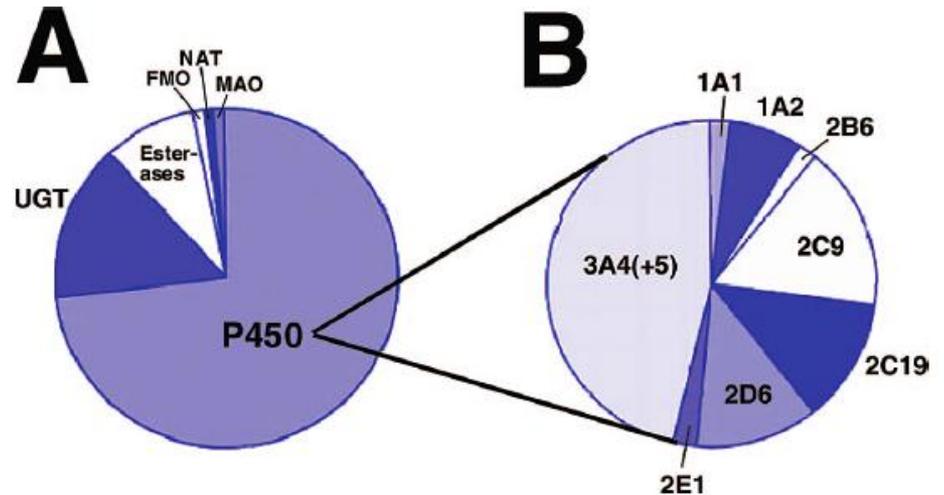
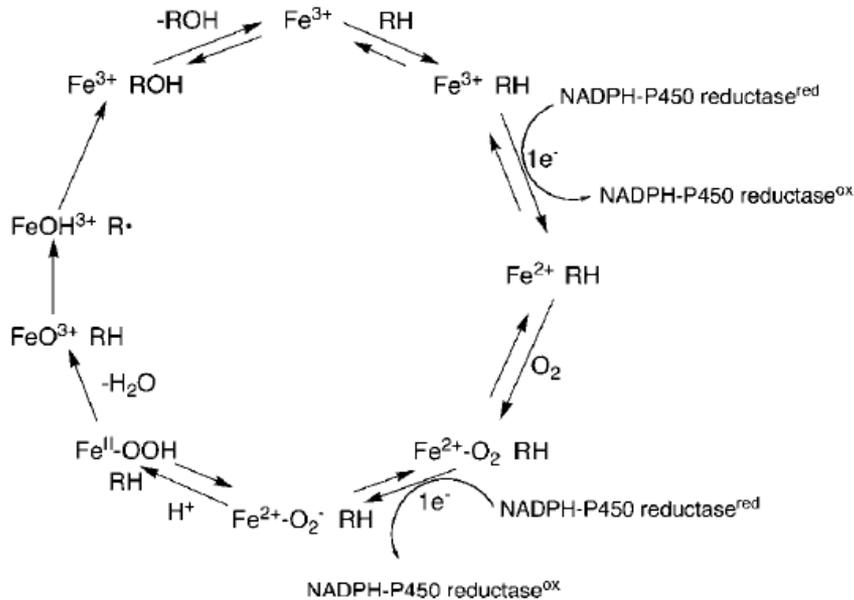


Corrole

# Introduction : Cytochromes P450

## Mono-oxygenases

Major enzymes involved in drug metabolism



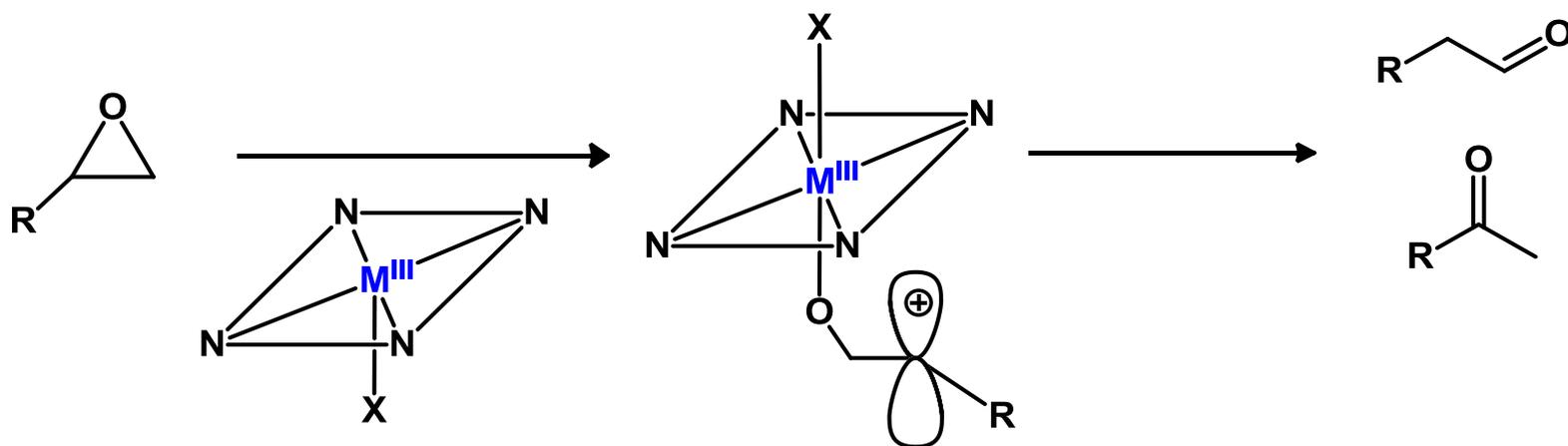
**Figure 4.** Contributions of enzymes to the metabolism of marketed drugs. The results are from a study of Pfizer drugs (57), and similar percentages have been reported by others in other pharmaceutical companies (58). (A) Fraction of reactions on drugs catalyzed by various human enzymes. FMO, flavin-containing monooxygenase; NAT, *N*-acetyltransferase; and MAO, monoamine oxidase. (B) Fractions of P450 oxidations on drugs catalyzed by individual P450 enzymes. The segment labeled 3A4 (+3A5) is mainly due to P450 3A4, with some controversy about exactly how much is contributed by other subfamily 3A P450s. Reprinted with permission from ref 57. Copyright 2004 American Society for Pharmacology and Experimental Therapeutics.

## Liver detoxification and hormone biosyntheses

ref) *Chem. Res. Toxicol.* **2008**, *21*, 70  
*Chem. Res. Toxicol.* **2010**, *23*, 1393



## Introduction : Another possible pathway of generating byproducts



Porphyrin's metal center behave as a Lewis acid.

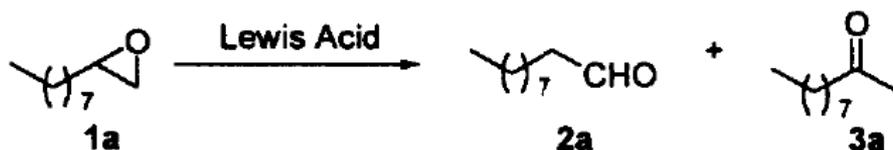
- Large ligand
- Stabilization of the cationic species by the broad  $\pi$ -conjugated plane

➡ It's possible to contribute the unique reaction-field.

➡ Axial ligand, porphyrin : tunable

ref) *Inorg. Chem.* **1994**, 33, 1731  
*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, 115, 4641

# Rearrangement of monoalkyl-substituted epoxides into aldehydes



Run	Lewis acid (mol%)	Conditions		Yield (%) <sup>a</sup> (2a/3a) <sup>b</sup>
		solvent / time / temp		
1	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> (100)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> / 0.5h / 0°C		complex mixture
2	BF <sub>3</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> (5)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> / 24h / 0°C → r.t.		no reaction
3	TiCl <sub>4</sub> (100)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> / 0.5h / 0°C		complex mixture
4	TiCl <sub>4</sub> (5)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> / 24h / 0°C → r.t.		no reaction
5	MgBr <sub>2</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> (100)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> / 0.5h / 0°C		complex mixture
6	MgBr <sub>2</sub> ·OEt <sub>2</sub> (5)	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> / 24h / 0°C → r.t.		no reaction
7	Fe(tp <sub>p</sub> )OTf (2)	ClCH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> Cl / 4.5h / reflux		93 (93/7)
8	Fe(tp <sub>p</sub> )OTf (2)	dioxane / 1.5h / reflux		~100 (96/4)
9	Fe(tp <sub>p</sub> )OTf (2)	toluene / 3h / reflux		~100 (94/6)
10	Fe(tp <sub>p</sub> )ClO <sub>4</sub> (2)	dioxane / 8h / reflux		79 <sup>c</sup> (93/7)

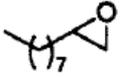
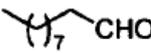
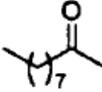
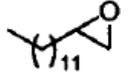
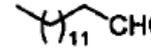
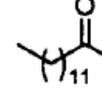
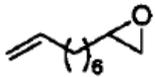
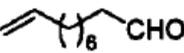
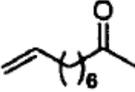
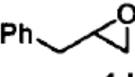
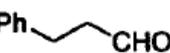
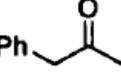
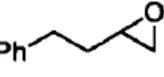
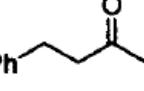
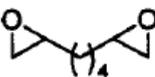
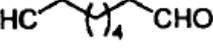
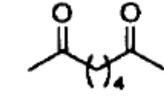
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<sup>b</sup> Isomer ratios were determined by 270MHz <sup>1</sup>H-NMR analysis of the crude reaction mixture.

<sup>c</sup> 15% of 1a was recovered.

stoichiometric amount of LiTMP is the only known method.

# Rearrangement of monoalkyl-substituted epoxides into aldehydes

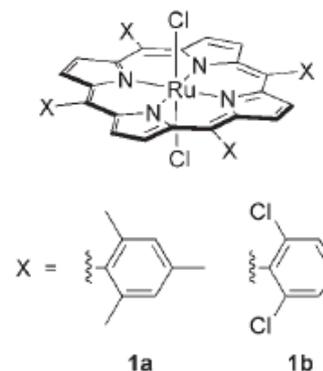
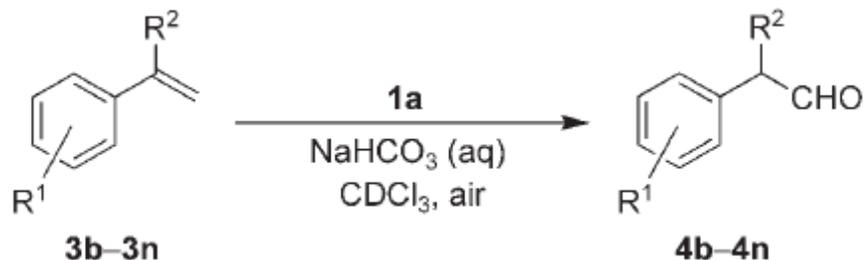
Run	Substrate	Products		Yield (%) <sup>a</sup> (2 / 3) <sup>b</sup>
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2	 <b>1b</b>	 <b>2b</b>	 <b>3b</b>	~100 (95/5)
3	 <b>1c</b>	 <b>2c</b>	 <b>3c</b>	~100 (94/6)
4	 <b>1d</b>	 <b>2d</b>	 <b>3d</b>	~100 (94/6)
5	 <b>1e</b>	 <b>2e</b>	 <b>3e</b>	~100 (94/6)
6	 <b>1f</b>	 <b>2f</b>	 <b>3f</b>	98 (97/3)

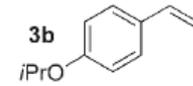
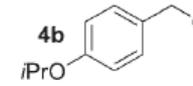
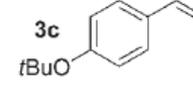
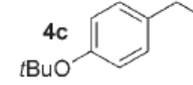
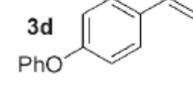
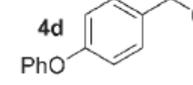
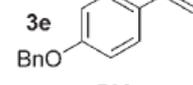
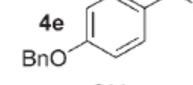
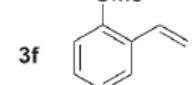
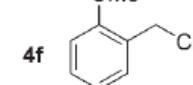
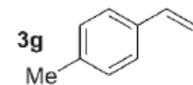
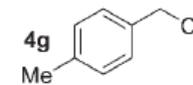
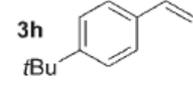
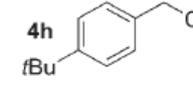
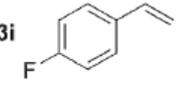
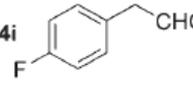
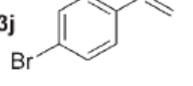
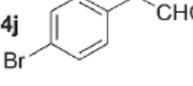
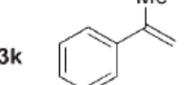
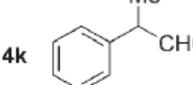
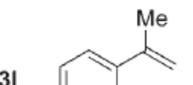
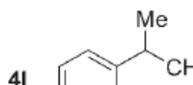
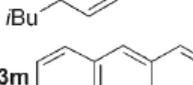
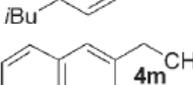
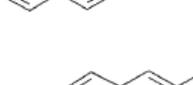
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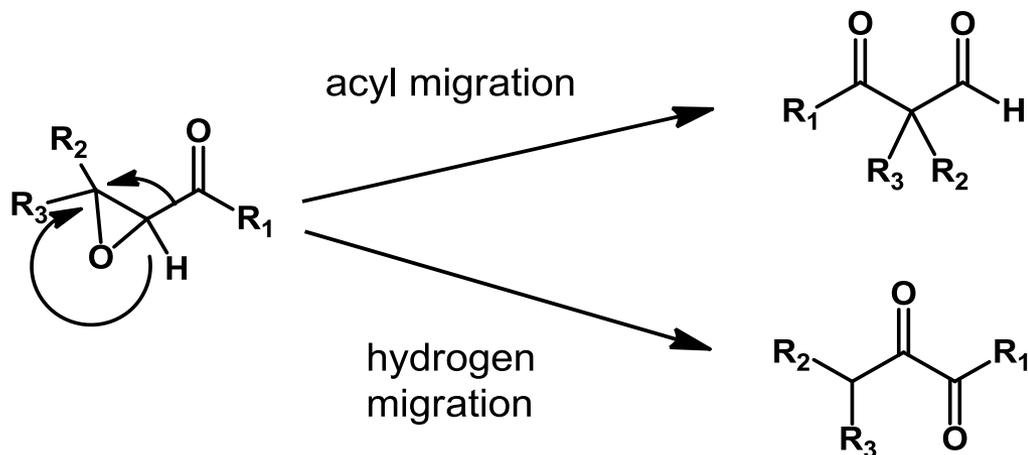
# Rearrangement of monoalkyl-substituted epoxides into aldehydes



Entry	Substrate	Product	Time [h]	Yield [%] <sup>[b]</sup>
1			4.5	92
2			7	87
3			5	87
4			4	89
5			7	93
6 <sup>[c]</sup>			5	84
7 <sup>[c]</sup>			5	81
8 <sup>[c]</sup>			7	71
9 <sup>[c]</sup>			7	69
10 <sup>[c]</sup>			7	81
11 <sup>[c]</sup>			7	71 (64 <sup>[d]</sup> )
12 <sup>[c]</sup>			5	73
13 <sup>[c]</sup>			7	74 (68 <sup>[d]</sup> )

[a] Reaction conditions: substrate (0.1 mmol), **1a** (2 mol%),  $\text{CDCl}_3$  (1 mL),  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (4 mol%),  $\text{H}_2\text{O}$  (0.3 mL), open to air, room temperature. [b] Determined by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR spectroscopy. [c] **1a** (3 mol%),  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  (8 mol%),  $50^\circ\text{C}$ . [d] Yield of isolated product.

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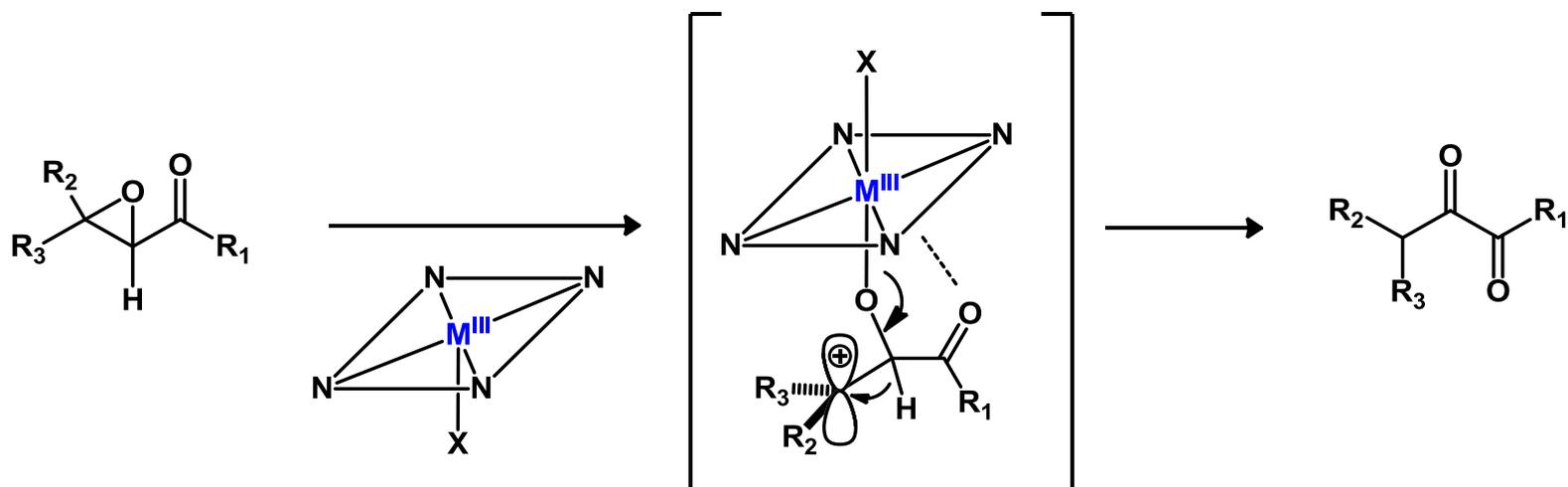


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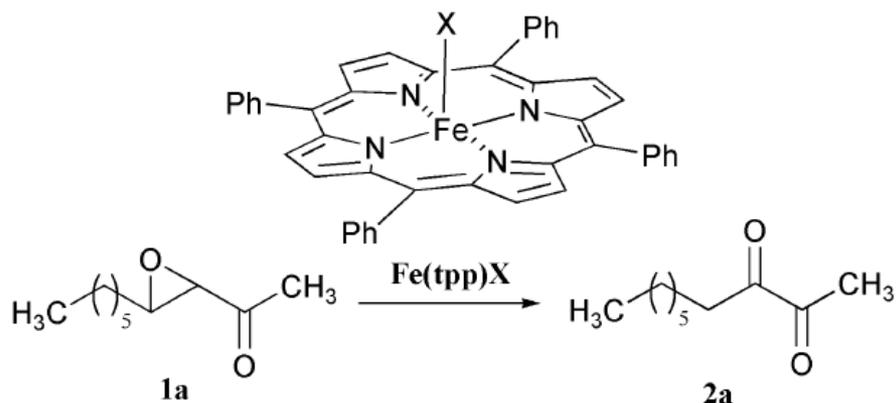
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few examples were available

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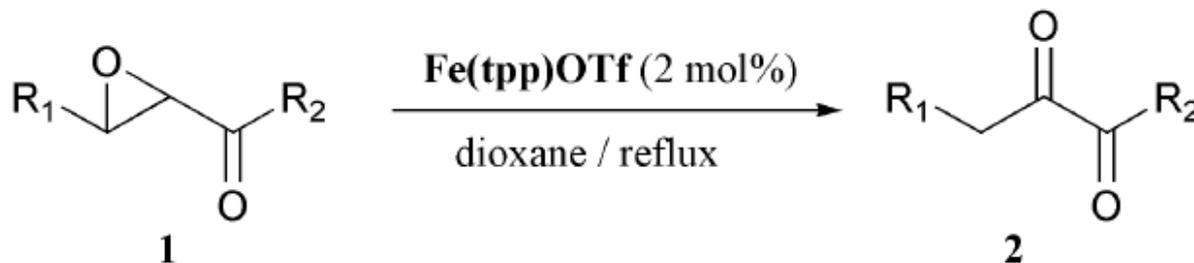
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Entry	Conditions Catalyst/Solvent/Time	Yield of <b>2a</b> (%) <sup>a</sup>
1	Fe(tpp)ClO <sub>4</sub> (2 mol%)/dioxane/8 h <sup>b</sup>	30 <sup>c</sup>
2	Fe(tpp)Cl (2 mol%)/dioxane/48 h <sup>b</sup>	No reaction <sup>d</sup>
3	Fe(tpp)OTf (2 mol%)/dioxane/1.5 h <sup>b</sup>	95
4	Fe(tpp)OTf (2 mol%)/(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> /2 h <sup>b</sup>	50
5	Fe(tpp)OTf (2 mol%)/toluene/2 h <sup>b</sup>	55
6	MABR (2 equiv.)/CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> /48 h <sup>ef</sup>	Complex mixture
7	MABR (2 equiv.)/dioxane/48 h <sup>eg</sup>	Complex mixture
8	BF <sub>3</sub> OEt <sub>2</sub> (1 equiv.)/CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> /2 h <sup>h</sup>	Complex mixture
9	BF <sub>3</sub> OEt <sub>2</sub> (1 equiv.)/ether/2 h <sup>h</sup>	No reaction <sup>d</sup>
10	MgBr <sub>2</sub> OEt <sub>2</sub> (1 equiv.)/CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> /1.5 h <sup>h</sup>	0 <sup>i</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Isolated yield. <sup>b</sup> Reflux. <sup>c</sup> Recovery of **1a** (45%). <sup>d</sup> Recovery of **1a** (quant).  
<sup>e</sup> MABR: methylaluminium bis(4-bromo-2,6-di-*tert*-butylphenoxide).  
<sup>f</sup> -78 °C to rt. <sup>g</sup> -20 °C to rt. <sup>h</sup> 0 °C to rt. <sup>i</sup> 4-Bromo-3-hydroxydecan-2-one  
**3a** (92%) was obtained.

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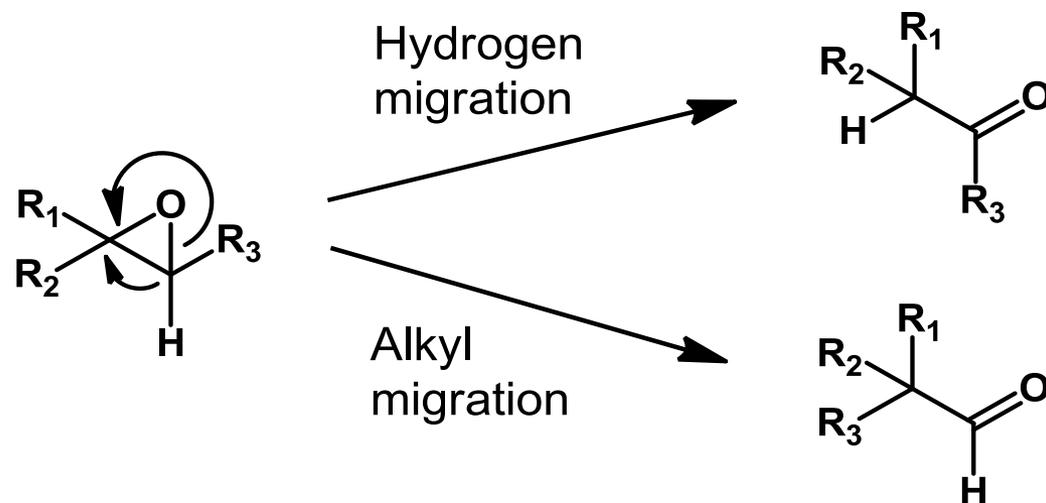


	R <sub>1</sub>	R <sub>2</sub>	Time	Yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
<b>a</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub> -	CH <sub>3</sub> -	1.5 h	95
<b>b</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>8</sub> -	CH <sub>3</sub> -	1.5 h	88
<b>c</b>	CH <sub>2</sub> =CH(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>8</sub> -	CH <sub>3</sub> -	2 h	92
<b>d</b>		CH <sub>3</sub> -	2.5 h	87
<b>e</b>	Ph(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> -	CH <sub>3</sub> -	1.5 h	87
<b>f</b>	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> -	CH <sub>3</sub> (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>7</sub> -	1 h	91
<b>g</b>	Ph-	CH <sub>3</sub> -	15 m	85
<b>h</b>	Ph-	Ph-	15 m	85

<sup>a</sup> Conditions: **1** (0.5 mmol), Fe(tpp)OTf (2 mol%), dioxane (3 ml), reflux.

<sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.

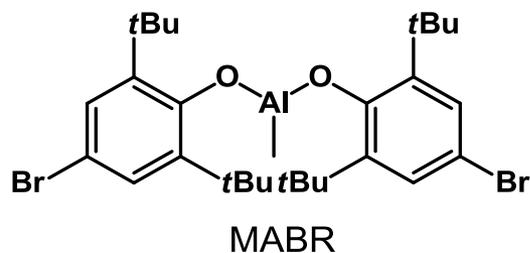
# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde



LiClO<sub>4</sub>-ether  
BiOClO<sub>4</sub> complex  
etc.

Ex.) ref) *J. Org. Chem.* **1996**, 61, 1877  
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equivalent MABR  
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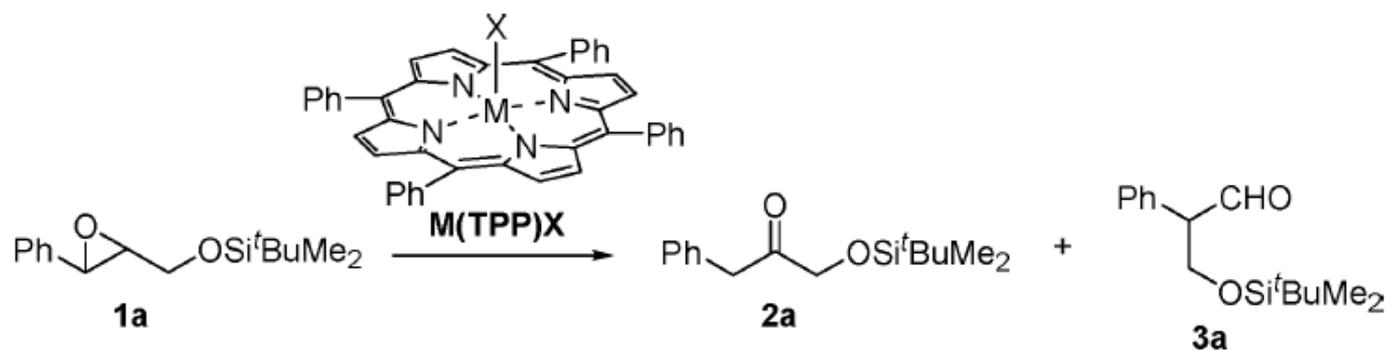


entry	epoxy silyl ether <sup>b</sup>	$\beta$ -siloxy aldehyde	yield (%) <sup>c</sup>
1			87
2			85

ref) *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, 111, 6431



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entry	catalyst(mol %)/solvents/temp.(°C)/time (h)	yield (%) <sup>a</sup>	
		<b>2a</b>	<b>3a</b>
1	Fe(TPP)ClO <sub>4</sub> (1)/dioxane/100/0.5	>99	0
2	Fe(TPP)ClO <sub>4</sub> (1)/Cl(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl /83/0.5	65	32
3	Mn(TPP)ClO <sub>4</sub> (1)/Cl(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl/83/1	53	45
4	Cr(TPP)ClO <sub>4</sub> (1)/Cl(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl/83/2	11	87
5	Cr(TPP)OTf (1)/Cl(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl/83/1	0	97 <sup>b</sup>
6	B(C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> (2)/Cl(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl/83/40	14	15
7	B(C <sub>6</sub> F <sub>5</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> (2)/toluene/110/40	no reaction	
8	Cr(salen)OTf (2)/Cl(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl/83/40 <sup>c</sup>	16	40
9	Mn(salen)OTf (2)/Cl(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> Cl/83/22 <sup>d</sup>	33	34

# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde

**Table 2.** Cr(TPP)OTf-Catalyzed Rearrangement of Epoxides to Aldehydes<sup>a</sup>

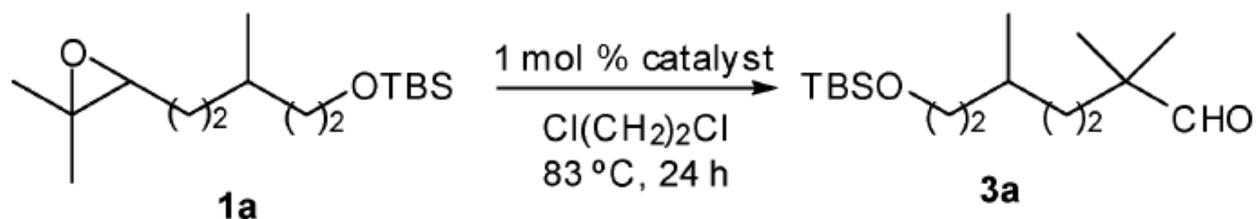
entry	epoxide	time, h	product	yield, % <sup>b</sup>
1		4		89
2		24		63 <sup>c</sup>
3		45		56 <sup>d</sup>
4		1		> 99
5		1		97
6		1		96

7		1		> 99
8		5		89
9		6		92
10		30		85 <sup>e</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Reaction conditions: 1 mol % Cr(TPP)OTf, ClCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl, 83 °C; enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC analysis or 300 MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR Mosher's ester analysis; The absolute configuration was determined by comparison of the optical rotations with those of authentic samples.<sup>4b,5c</sup> <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup> Recovery of the starting epoxide, 22%. <sup>d</sup> Recovery of the starting epoxide, 28%. <sup>e</sup> 20 mol % Cr(TPP)OTf was used.

ref) *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, *126*, 9554

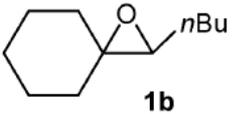
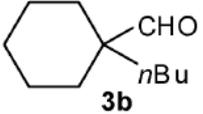
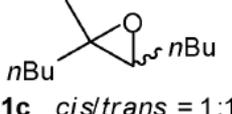
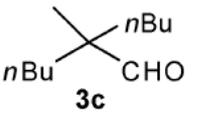
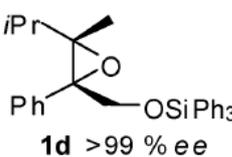
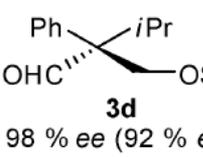
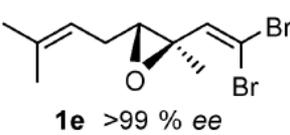
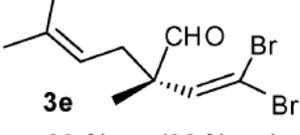
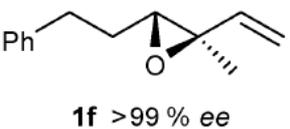
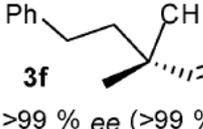
# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde



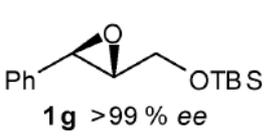
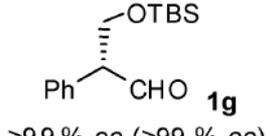
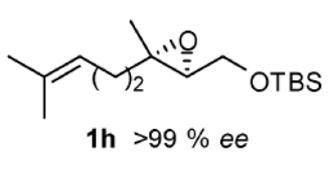
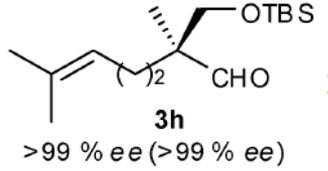
Entry	Catalyst <sup>a</sup>	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)	Recov. <sup>b</sup> (%) of <b>1a</b>
1	Cr(TPP)OTf	63	22
2	Cr(TPFP)OTf	75	6
3	Cr(DPP-Br)OTf	64	23
4	Cr(DPP-2Br)OTf	59	31
5	Cr(DPP-CN)OTf	88	6
6	Cr(DPP-2CN)OTf	87	8
7	Cr(TBPC)OTf <sup>c</sup>	95	0

<sup>a</sup> Molecular structures of Cr(TPFP)OTf, Cr(DPP-Br)OTf, Cr(DPP-2Br)OTf, Cr(DPP-CN)OTf and Cr(DPP-2CN)OTf, see ESI. † <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield. <sup>c</sup> Reaction time: 10 h.

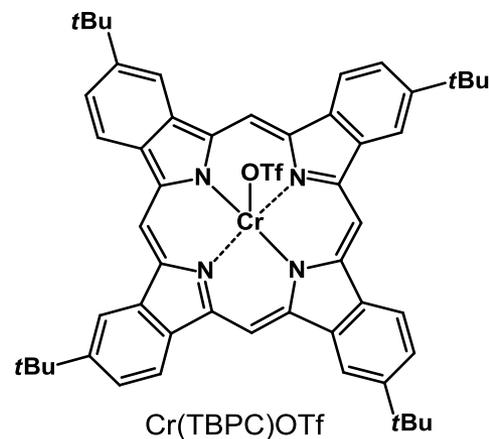
# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde

Epoxide <b>1</b>	Aldehyde <b>3</b>	<i>t</i> /h	Yield <sup>c</sup> (%)
 <b>1b</b>	 <b>3b</b>	15 (45)	>99 (56)
 <b>1c</b> <i>cis/trans</i> = 1:1	 <b>3c</b>	20 (95)	>99 (33)
 <b>1d</b> >99 % ee	 <b>3d</b> 98 % ee (92 % ee)	20 (60)	92 (48)
 <b>1e</b> >99 % ee	 <b>3e</b> >99 % ee (92 % ee)	2.5 (24)	98 (78)
 <b>1f</b> >99 % ee	 <b>3f</b> >99 % ee (>99 % ee)	3.0 (24)	98 (83)

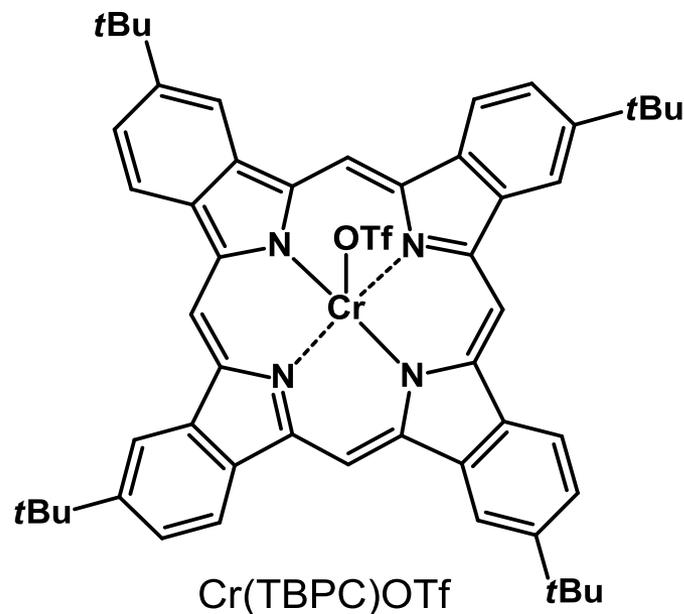
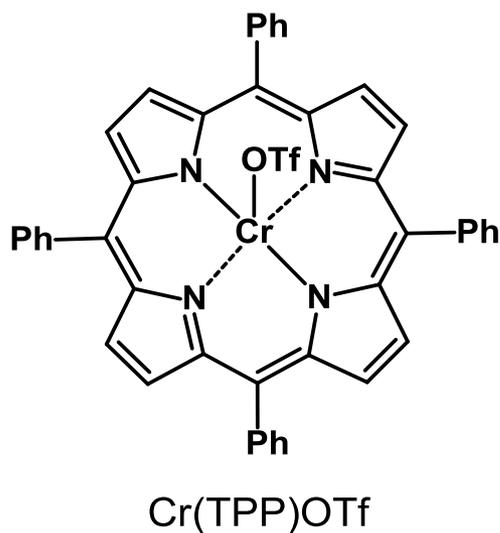
  

 <b>1g</b> >99 % ee	 <b>3g</b> >99 % ee (>99 % ee)	<0.5 (1.0)	98 (97)
 <b>1h</b> >99 % ee	 <b>3h</b> >99 % ee (>99 % ee)	2.0 (5.0)	88 (89)

<sup>a</sup> Conditions: 1 mol% Cr(TBPC)OTf, ClCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl, 83 °C; enantiomeric excess was determined by chiral HPLC analysis; the absolute configuration was determined by comparison of the optical rotations with authentic samples (see ESI†). <sup>b</sup> The data in parentheses refer to those in the Cr(TPP)OTf-catalyzed rearrangements; conditions: 1 mol% Cr(TPP)OTf, ClCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Cl, 83 °C. <sup>c</sup> Isolated yield.



# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde



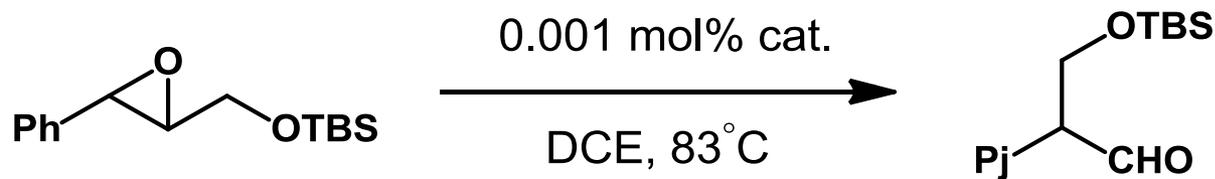
Lewis acidity

**Low**

**High**

Stability by  
broad  $\pi$ -plane

# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde

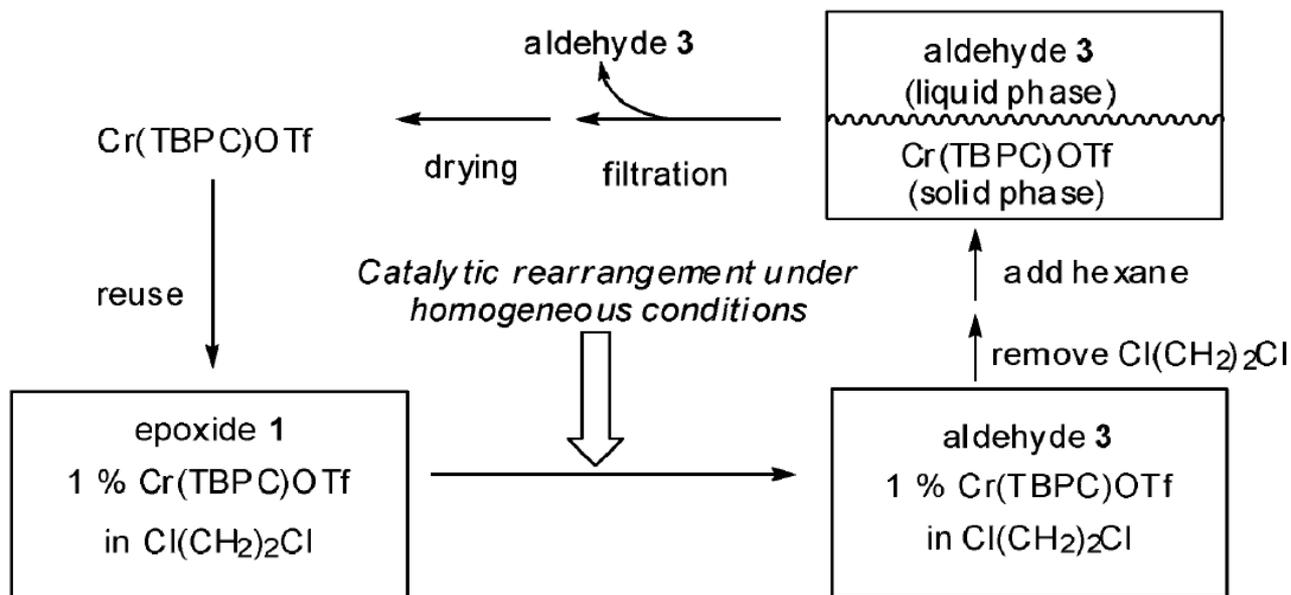


	time	yield
Cr(TPP)OTf	5 - 6 h (dead end)	about 15%
Cr(TBPC)OTf	20 h (not deactivated)	> 60%

Cr(TBPC)OTf : TON (over 60,000)

➡ Cr(TBPC)OTf is stable and active catalyst.

# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde

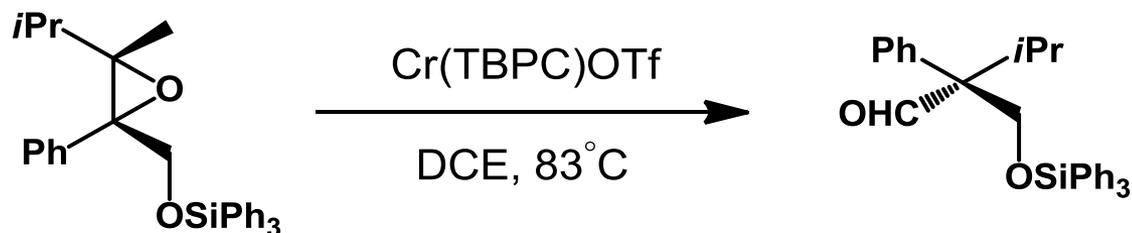


**Fig. 2** Simplified representation of recycling of the phthalocyanine-based catalyst, Cr(TBPC)OTf, in the rearrangement of epoxides to aldehydes.

Cr(TBPC)OTf is not soluble in hexane.

➔ Cr(TBPC)OTf and target materials are separable between each other.

# Rearrangement of 2 or 3-substituted epoxide into ketone or aldehyde



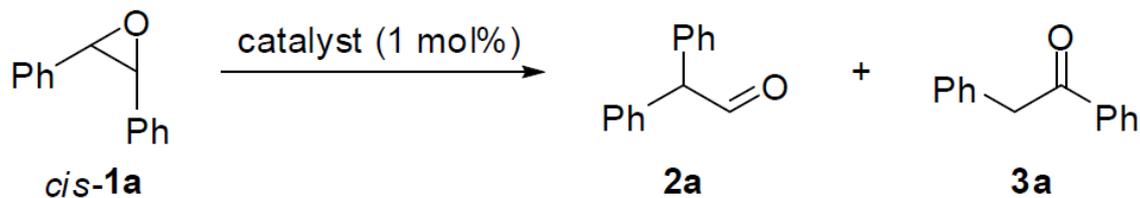
**Table 3** Reuse of the phthalocyanine-based catalyst, Cr(TBPC)OTf, in the rearrangement of epoxide **1d** (>99% *ee*) to aldehyde **3d<sup>a</sup>**

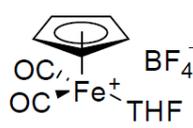
Run	Yield <sup>b</sup> (%)	<i>ee</i> (%)	Recov. <sup>b</sup> (%) of catalyst
1st	92	98	98
2nd	93	98	98
3rd	90	98	98
4th	92	98	98
5th	90	98	98

<sup>a</sup> All the reactions were conducted with 1 mol% Cr(TBPC)OTf in dichloroethane at 83 °C. <sup>b</sup> Isolated yield.

ref) *Chem. Commun.* **2009**, 1255

# Rearrangement of 2,3-diaryl epoxide into 2,3-diaryl aldehyde

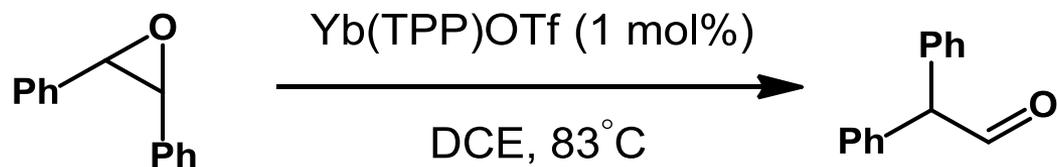


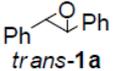
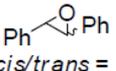
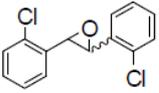
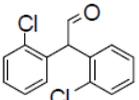
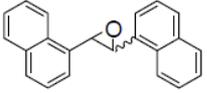
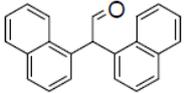
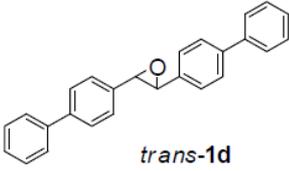
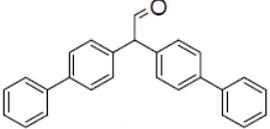
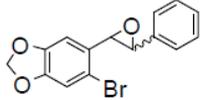
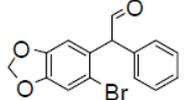
entry	catalyst	conditions		yield (%) <sup>a</sup> of <b>2a</b>	yield (%) <sup>a</sup> of <b>3a</b>					
		solvent/temp/time								
1	Fe(TPP)OTf	DCE/83 °C/1 h		73	23	8	Yb(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	DCM/rt/1 h	62	16
2	Cr(TPP)OTf	DCE/83 °C/3 h		66	32	9	Bi(O)ClO <sub>4</sub>	DCM/rt/10 h	69	13
3	Yb(TPP)Cl	DCE/83 °C/12 h		no reaction		10	Bi(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	DCM/rt/1 h	74	13
4	Yb(TPP)OTf	DCE/83 °C/4 h		89	<5	11		DCM/rt/15 h	75	15
5	Yb(TPP)OTf	dioxane/100 °C/2 h		55	21	12	InCl <sub>3</sub>	THF/50 °C/24h	no reaction	
6	Yb(TPP)OTf	toluene/110 °C/6 h		44	21	13	InCl <sub>3</sub>	DCM/40 °C/24h	no reaction	
7	Er(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	DCM/rt/2 h		73	15					

a) Isolated yield.

Yb is necessary to maintain selectivity. (Fe and Cr are not suitable)

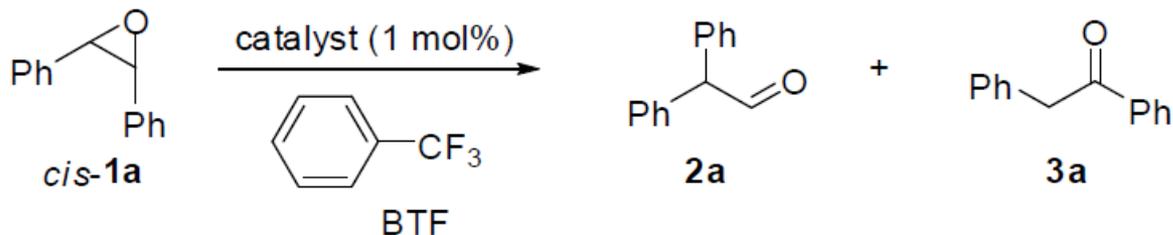
# Rearrangement of 2,3-diaryl epoxide into 2,3-diaryl aldehyde

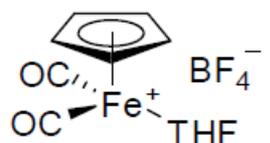


entry	substrate	time (h)	product	yield (%) <sup>b</sup>
1	 <i>cis-1a</i>	4	 <b>2a</b>	89
2	 <i>trans-1a</i>	4	<b>2a</b>	94
3	 <b>1a</b> ( <i>cis/trans</i> = 1:1)	4	<b>2a</b>	87
4	 <b>1b</b> ( <i>cis/trans</i> = 1:1)	12	 <b>2b</b>	90
5	 <b>1c</b> ( <i>cis/trans</i> = 1:1)	4	 <b>2c</b>	87
6	 <i>trans-1d</i>	5	 <b>2d</b>	85
7	 <b>1e</b> ( <i>cis/trans</i> = 1:1)	12	 <b>2e</b>	92

a) Conditions: Yb(TPP)OTf (1 mol%), DCE, 83 °C. b) Isolated yield.

# Rearrangement of 2,3-diaryl epoxide into 2,3-diaryl aldehyde



entry	catalyst	temp (°C)	time (h)	yield (%) <sup>a</sup> of 2a	yield (%) <sup>a</sup> of 3a
1	Yb(TPP)OTf	102	3	87	<5
2	Er(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	rt	10	51	20
3	Yb(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	rt	9	50	20
4	Bi(O)ClO <sub>4</sub>	rt	24	40	12
5	Bi(OTf) <sub>3</sub>	rt	5	51	17
6		rt	24	46	18

a) Isolated yield.

ref) *Heterocycles*. **2009**, 77, 365

# Summary of Chapter 1

Metalloporphyrins are efficient Lewis acids for selectivity and activity owing to ligand's effects.

They are tunable by changing axial ligands and porphyrin ligands.

Phthalocyanine ligands produce more Lewis acidic and  $\pi$ -electronic reaction fields compared to metalloporphyrin ligands.

They are useful for economical reactions owing to poor solubility in hexane and suitable to BTF as the substitution of halogen-containing solvents like DCM and DCE.

# Topics

## Chapter 1

~ as efficient lewis acid catalysts with a unique reaction-field ~

## Chapter 2

~ **Synthetic study toward complex metalloporphyrins** ~

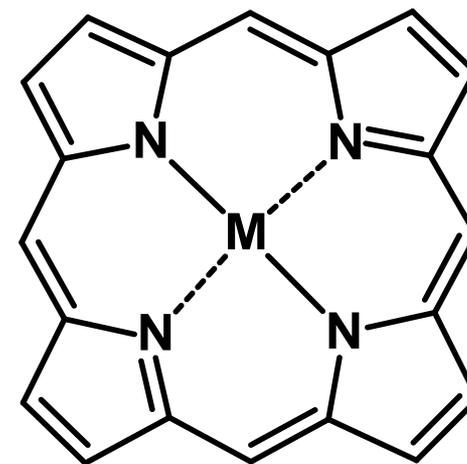
# Synthetic difficulty of metalloporphyrin-analog

Zn, Mg and 2H (= por) are well used for study of fluorescence and artificial photosynthesis. But...

Mg(por) is demetalized by **very slight amount of acid or very weak acid** (ex. HCl from  $\text{CHCl}_3$ , silica gel).

Cu(II) has very strong affinity to porphyrin.

- ➔ Insertion to porphyrin **very easily at RT.**
- ➔ **Exchange with Zn(por)** under heat condition.
- ➔ It's **difficult to demetalize Cu(por).**  
(need strong acidic condition. (ex.)  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$ -TFA)



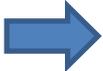
M(por)

If you use Cu(II) for reactions, you must Zn(por) to mask porphyrin, and Cu(II) used reaction **must be conducted under mild condition**, and you have to demetalize Zn(por) if you want to synthesize other-metal-contained metalloporphyrins.

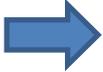
# Synthetic difficulty of metalloporphyrin-analog

Transition metals are introduced to porphyrins under heat condition, but **it's impossible to replace Zn(por) with M(por) under neutral condition.**

Porphyrins have many active C-H bonds.

 **Many side reactions are occurred** in transition-metal-contained reactions. (many byproducts, difficulty of purification and low yield of target material)

Poor solubility of metalloporphyrins (**1.0mM~10mM are favor**).

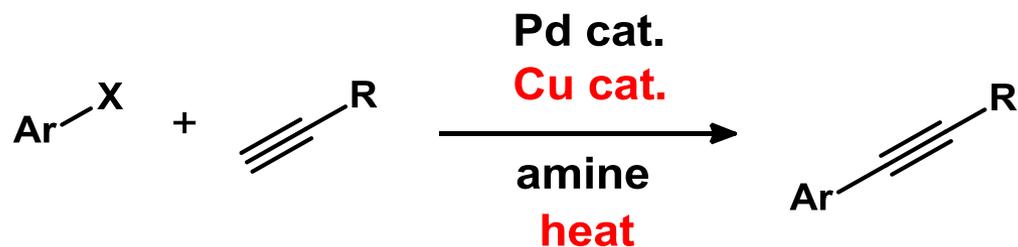
 In synthesis of derivative of metalloporphyrins, as many reaction's condition are optimized to dense concentration (mainly 100mM~1.0M), **the reactions are not suitable to metalloporphyrins as substrates.**

 It's need to use **more amount of transition metals** to conduct transition metal-catalyzed reaction.

ref) *Synlett.* **2005**, 1306  
*Chem. Mater.* **1999**, 11, 2974

# To solve the difficulties of synthesis of metalloporphyrin-analog

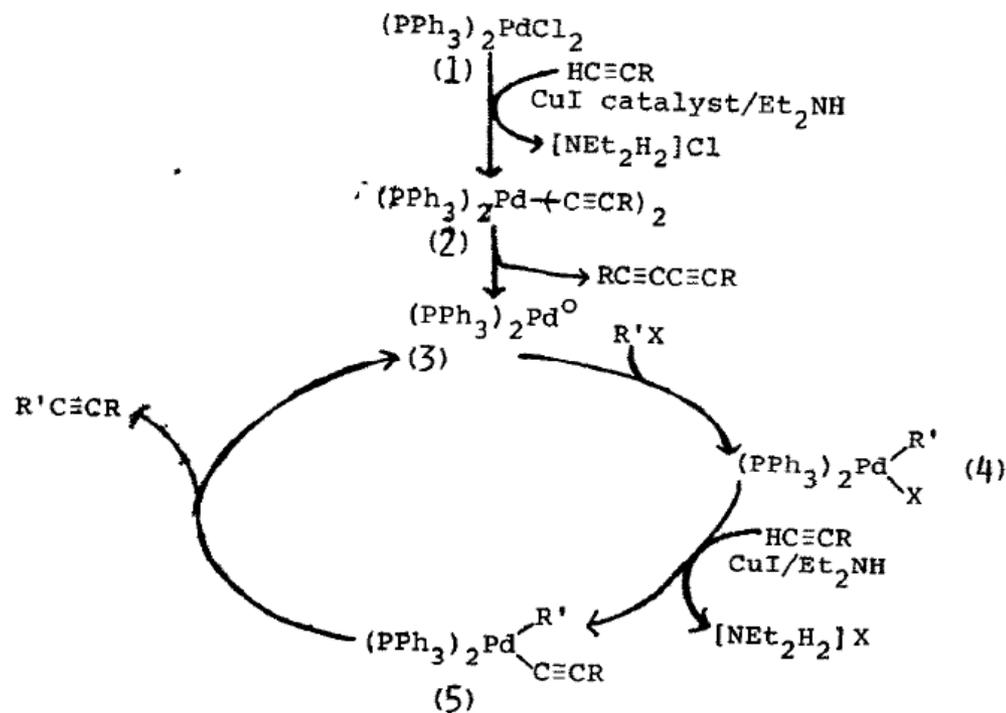
## Ex.1) Sonogashira coupling



without Cu source

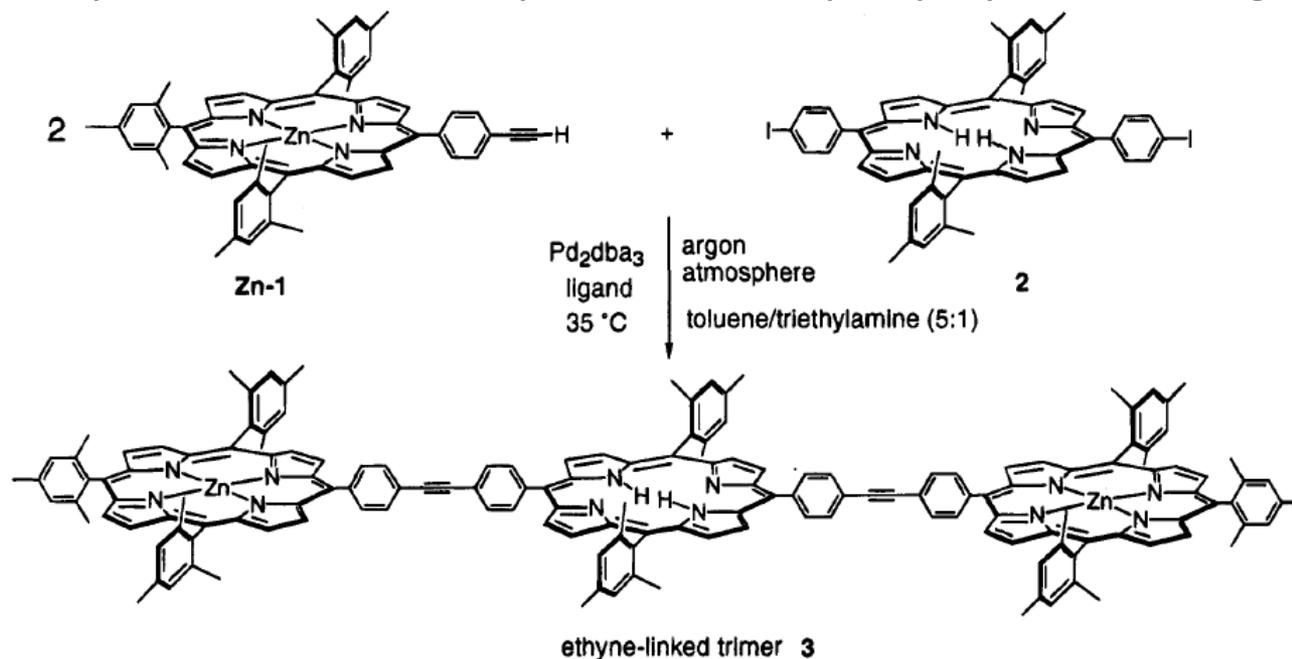


It's difficult to generate Pd-acetylide.



R = H, C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>OH  
 R' = aryl, alkenyl, pyridyl

# Synthetic difficulty of metalloporphyrin-analog



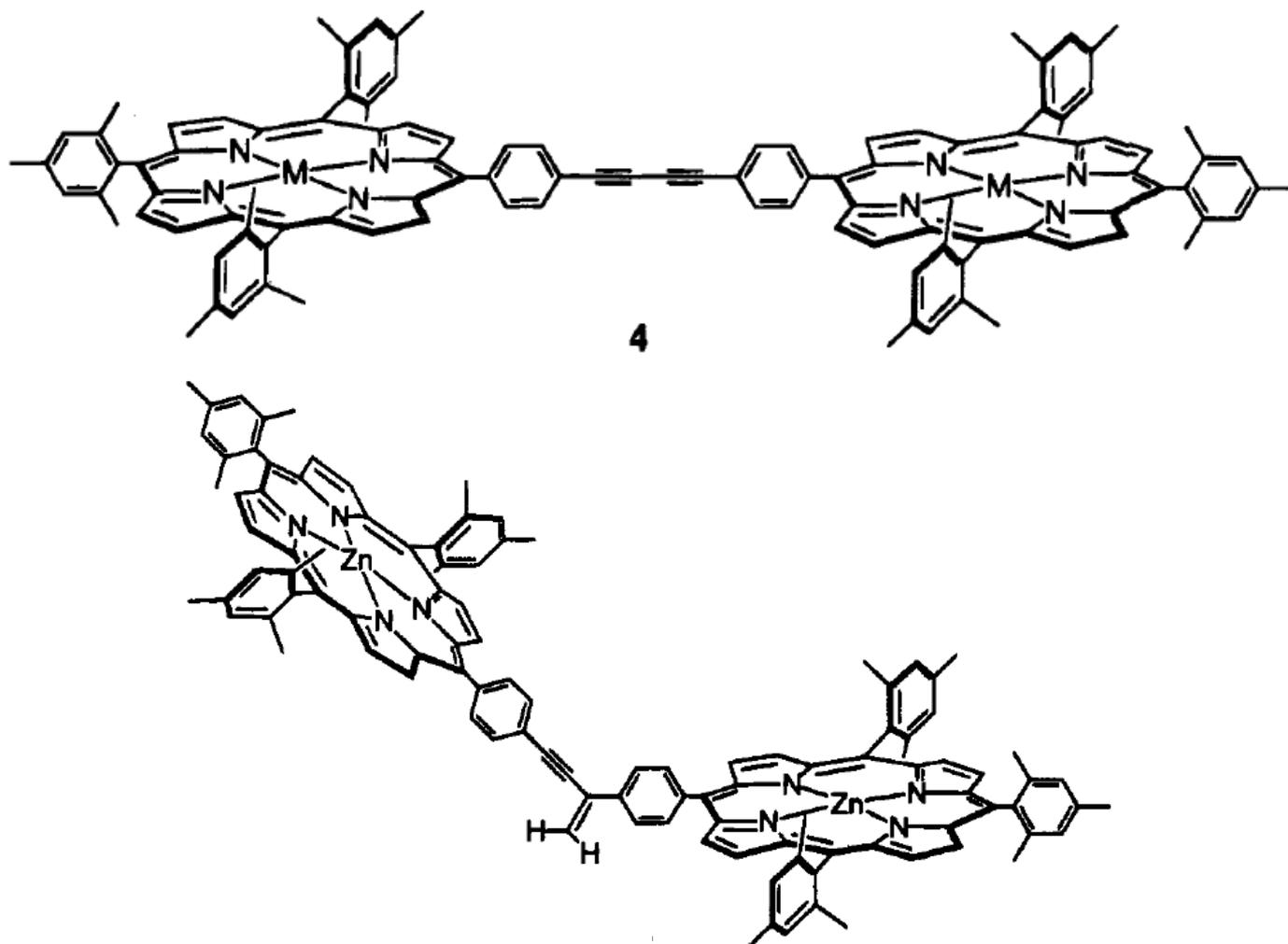
**Table 1. Effects of Ligand and Concentration on the Formation of Ethyne-Linked Trimer 3<sup>a</sup>**

entry	[Pd <sub>2</sub> (dba) <sub>3</sub> ] (mM)	ligand, [ligand] (mM)	[Pd]: [ligand]	time (h)	detection of dimer 4 <sup>b</sup>	HMWM: trimer 3 <sup>c</sup>	dimer(s): trimer 3 <sup>d</sup>	% unreacted porphyrins <sup>e</sup>	% yield of trimer 3
1	0.44	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , 3.5	1:4	1	—	0.08:1	0.29:1	17	68
2	0.44	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , 3.5	1:4	2	—	0.1:1	0.34:1	0 <sup>f</sup>	61
3	0.44	P(2-furyl) <sub>3</sub> , 3.5	1:4	2	+	no HMWM	3.2:1	60	7
4	0.44	PPh <sub>3</sub> , 3.5	1:4	2	—	no HMWM	0.01:1 <sup>g</sup>	96	0
5 <sup>h</sup>	0.44	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , 3.5	1:4	2	+	0.15:1	1.02:1	34	38
				5	+	0.25:1	0.94:1	25	40
				8	+	0.28:1	0.87:1	21	49
6	0.15	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , 0.6	1:2	1	—	no HMWM	4.2:1	76	1
7	0.15	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , 1.2	1:4	1	—	0.14:1	1.4:1	32	22
8	0.88	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , 7.0	1:4	1	—	0.09:1	0.65:1	33	24
9 <sup>i</sup>	0.44	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , 3.5	1:4	2	—	0.08:1	0.26:1	0 <sup>f</sup>	76

<sup>a</sup> All reactions were performed with 3.5 mM **Zn-1** and 1.46 mM **2** at 35 °C in toluene/triethylamine (5:1) under argon unless noted otherwise. Yields were determined by analytical SEC and calibration with authentic samples of **Zn-1**, **2**, and **3** (see Experimental Section).

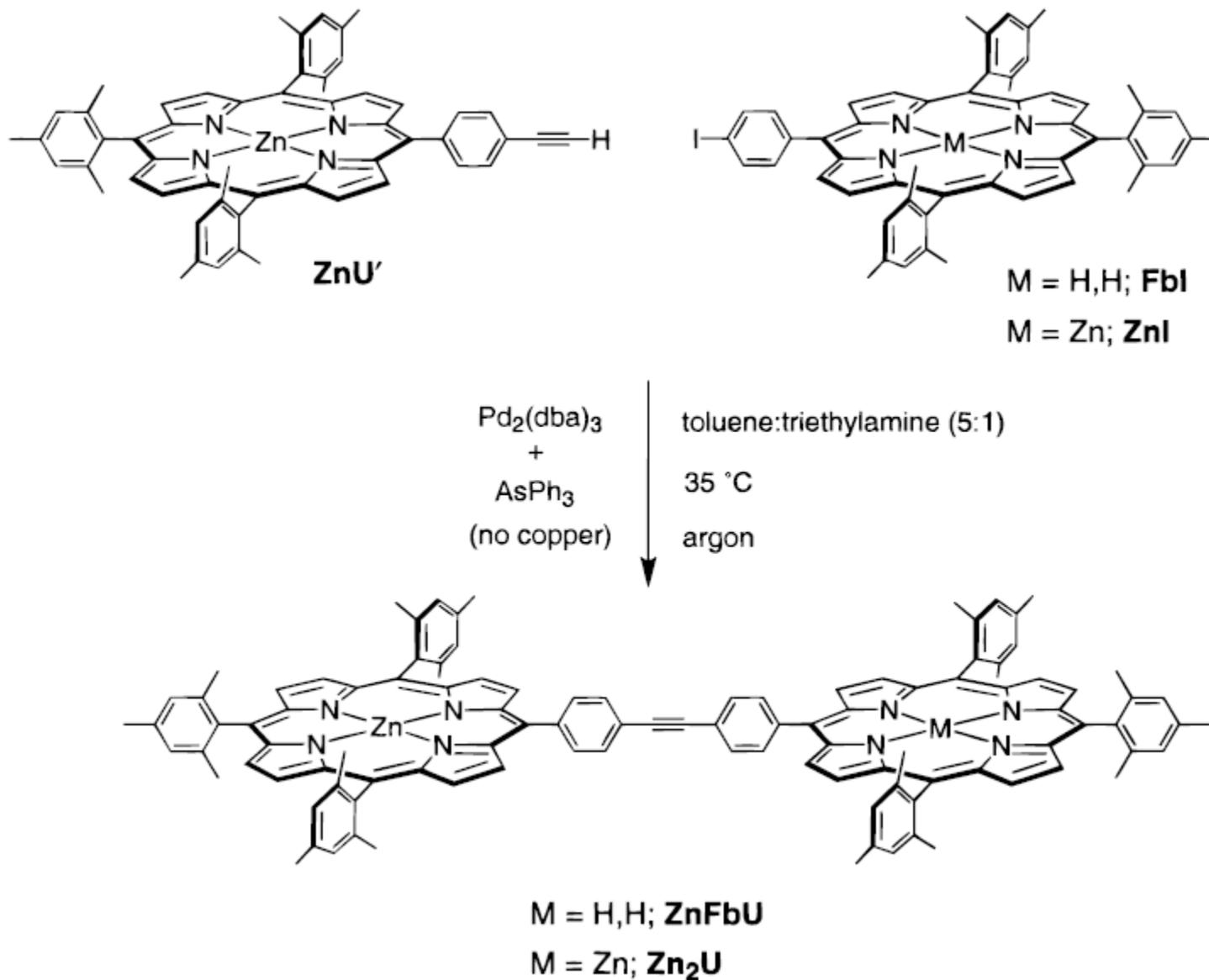
<sup>b</sup> Reaction samples were analyzed by TLC (silica, toluene/hexanes 3:2) for the presence of butadiyne-linked dimer **4**. <sup>c</sup> Integrated area of all higher molecular weight material (HMWM) relative to trimer peak area. <sup>d</sup> Integrated area of dimer peak (dimer formed by coupling of **Zn-1** and **2**, and butadiyne-linked dimer **4**, if any) relative to trimer peak area. <sup>e</sup> Sum of the integrated areas of peaks from starting materials **Zn-1** and **2**. Up to 14% of the unreacted porphyrins peaks is due to monomeric porphyrin byproducts. <sup>f</sup> Yield of monomeric porphyrin byproducts is 15%. <sup>g</sup> Relative to unreacted starting materials. <sup>h</sup> Reaction in the presence of air. <sup>i</sup> Preparative scale reaction.

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$\text{AsPh}_3$  is suitable for the ligand of Sonogashira coupling.  
(it is the just ligand for oxidative addition and reductive elimination steps)

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P(*o*-tolyl)<sub>3</sub> is used instead of As(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>

entry	[ZnU <sup>1</sup> ], [FbI] (mM)	[catalyst] (mM)	ligand (mM)	<i>t</i> (h)	ratio (LD-MS) <sup>b</sup> of ZnFbU:Ar-ZnFbU	% yield (SEC) <sup>c</sup> of ZnFbU + Ar-ZnFbU
1	2.5	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , (0.52)	None	22	NA <sup>d</sup>	30 <sup>e</sup>
2 <sup>f</sup>	2.5	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , (0.52)	AsPh <sub>3</sub> , (2.0)	22	9:1 <sup>g</sup>	66
3	2.5	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , (0.53)	P( <i>o</i> -tol) <sub>3</sub> , (2.1)	4	65:1	70
				22	65:1	71
4 <sup>h</sup>	2.5	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , (0.53)	P( <i>o</i> -tol) <sub>3</sub> , (2.1)	5	20:1	59
				22	25:1	55
5 <sup>i</sup>	2.5	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , (0.50)	P( <i>o</i> -tol) <sub>3</sub> , (2.0)	5	30:1	62
				22	30:1	67
6 <sup>j</sup>	2.5	Pd(OAc) <sub>2</sub> , (0.25)	P( <i>o</i> -tol) <sub>3</sub> , (1.0)	5	45:1	41
				22	65:1	50
7	2.5	Pd(O <sub>2</sub> CCF <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> , (0.51)	P( <i>o</i> -tol) <sub>3</sub> , (2.1)	6	65:1	60
				23	65:1	64
8	2.5	palladacycle <sup>j</sup>	None	5	0.9:1	35
				23	0.8:1	42

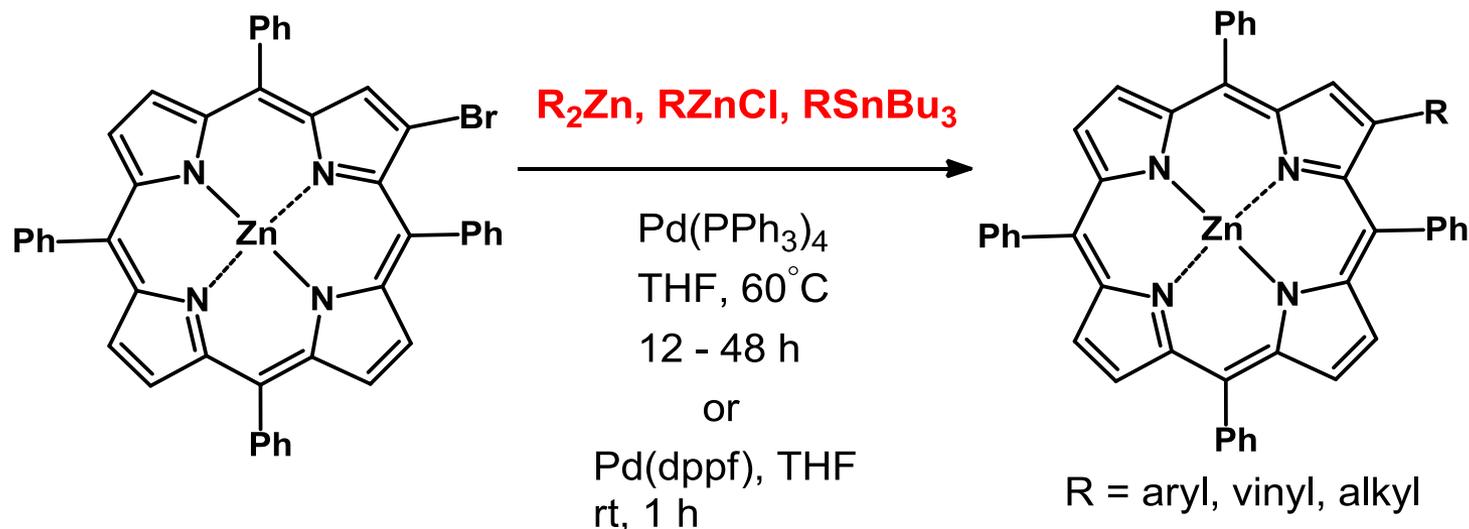
<sup>a</sup> All reactions were performed under argon in a glovebox in toluene/triethylamine 5:1 at 60 °C unless noted otherwise. See Supporting Information for LD-MS data, SEC data, and kinetic plots. <sup>b</sup> Determined by ratioing the LD-MS peak heights for Zn<sub>2</sub>U and Ar-Zn<sub>2</sub>U. <sup>c</sup> Determined by comparison of the integrated area of the SEC band of the dimers with that of the internal standard ZnTPP (see experimental). <sup>d</sup> Not applicable as no ligands were used. <sup>e</sup> The yield represents only Zn<sub>2</sub>U because no ligands were used. <sup>f</sup> Performed at 35 °C for 3.5 h, and then at 60 °C for the remainder. <sup>g</sup> ZnFbU:Ph-ZnFbU ratio. <sup>h</sup> The solvent was toluene/triethylamine 19:1. <sup>i</sup> A toluene stock solution which was 0.06 M in Pd(OAc)<sub>2</sub> and 0.26 M in P(*o*-tol)<sub>3</sub> was used. <sup>j</sup> *trans*-Di(*μ*-acetato)bis[*o*-(di-*o*-tolylphosphino)benzyl]di-palladium(II).

P(*o*-tolyl)<sub>3</sub> provides lower yield of products, but suppresses the generating of byproduct.

ref) *Chem. Mater.* **1999**, *11*, 2974

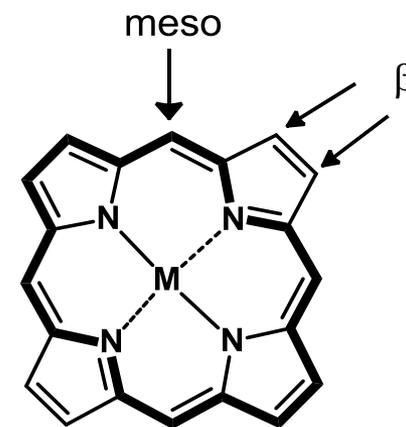
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## Ex.2) Metal-mediated cross-coupling reaction



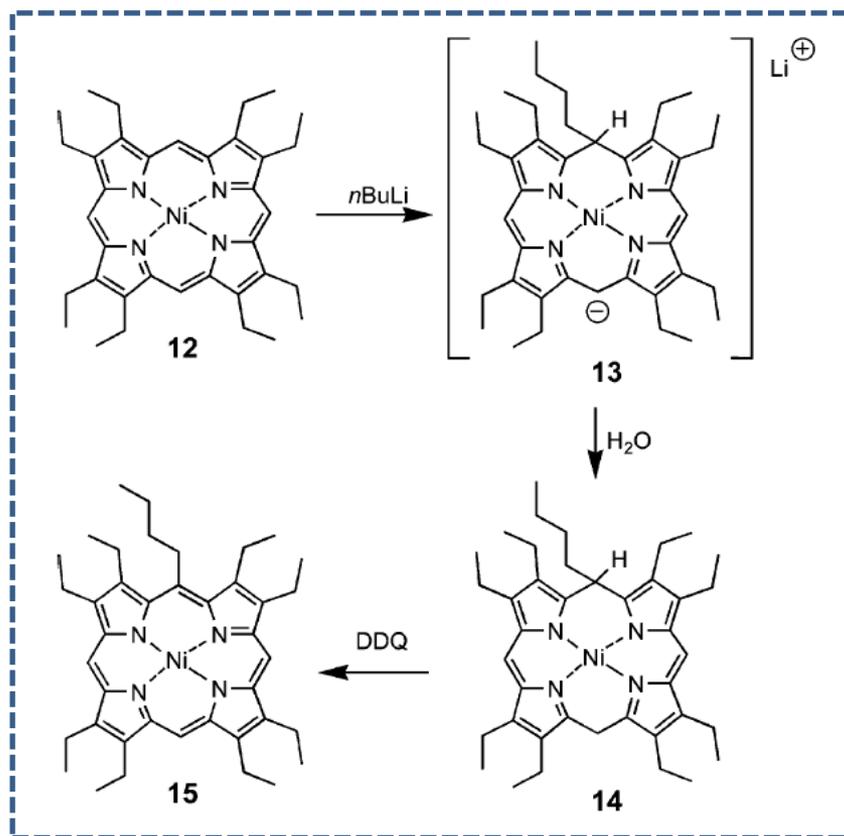
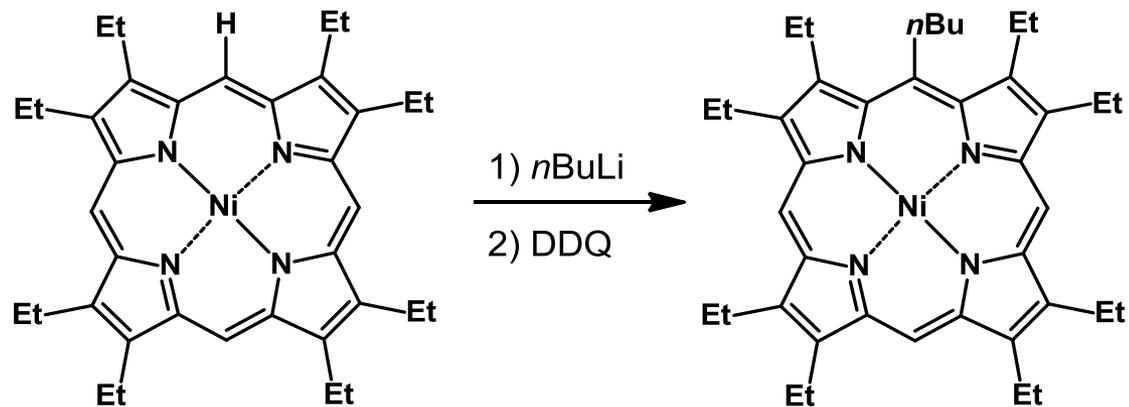
Nucleophilic organometallic reagents (like R-Li, R-MgX) cause reduction of por-Br to generate their respective porphyrin radical anions.

➔ R-Li and R-MgX are not suitable for insertion of R groups to Br-porphyrins.



ref) *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, 115, 2513  
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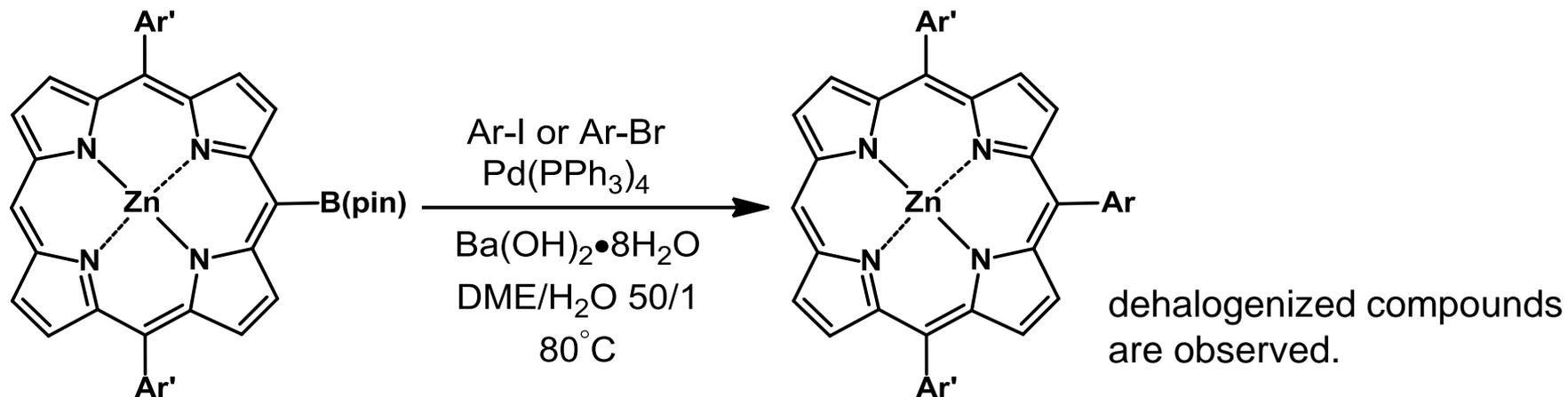


Without Pd source,  $\text{S}_{\text{N}}\text{Ar}$  type reaction is occurred.

ref) *Acc. Chem. Res.* **2005**, *38*, 733

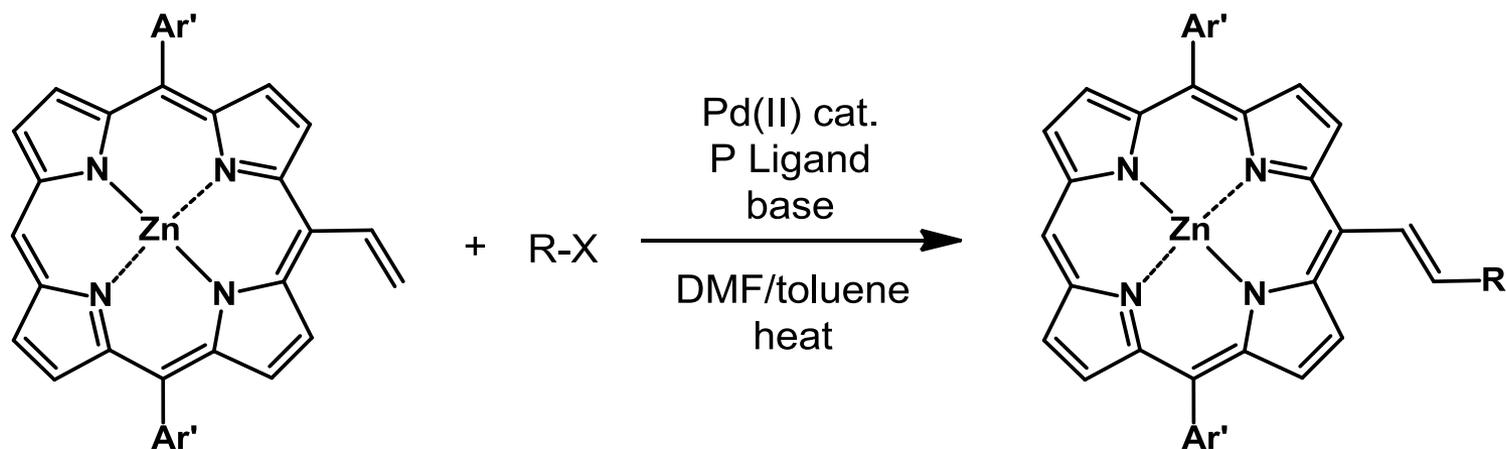
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## Ex.3) Suzuki-Miyaura coupling

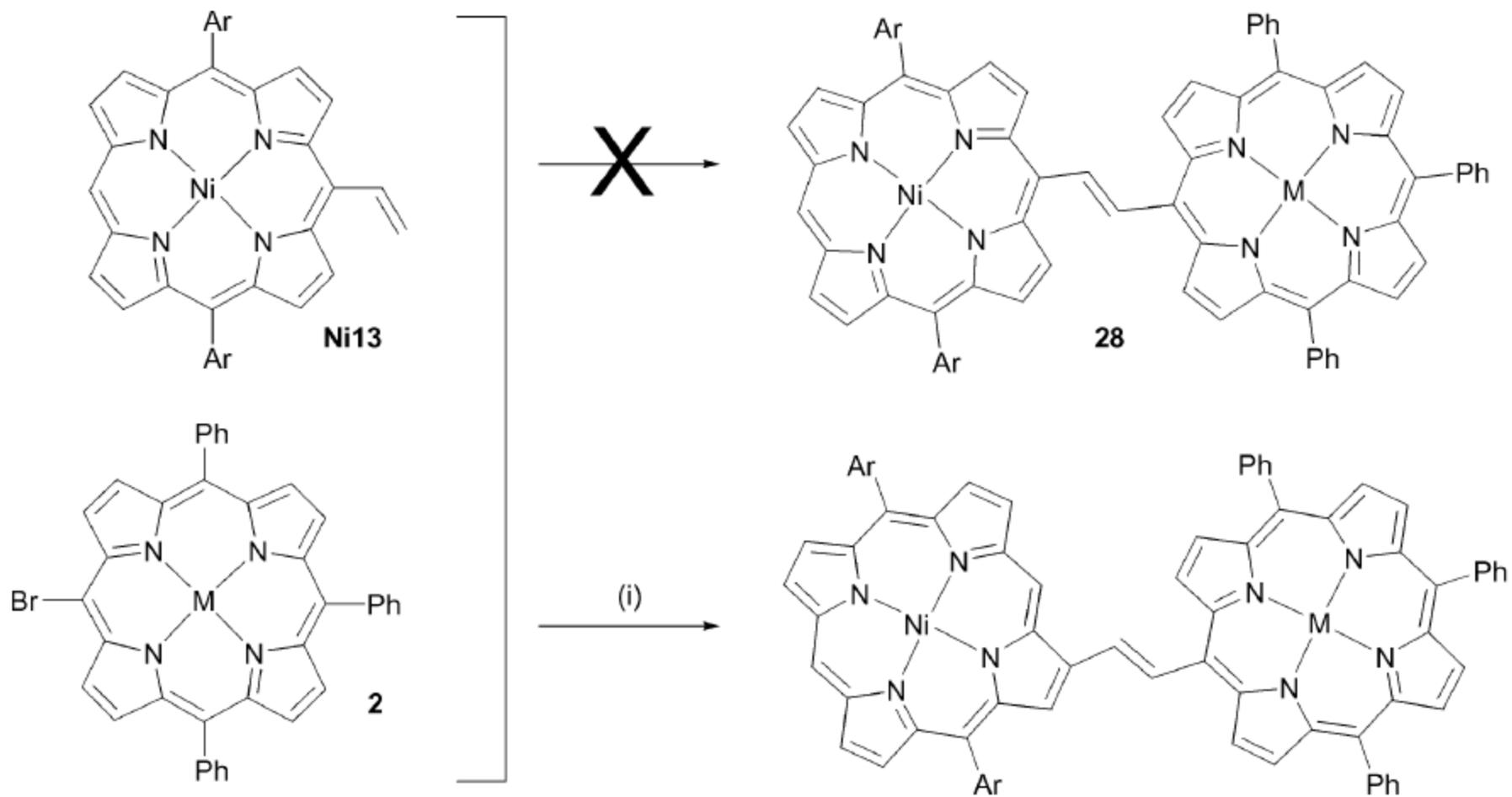


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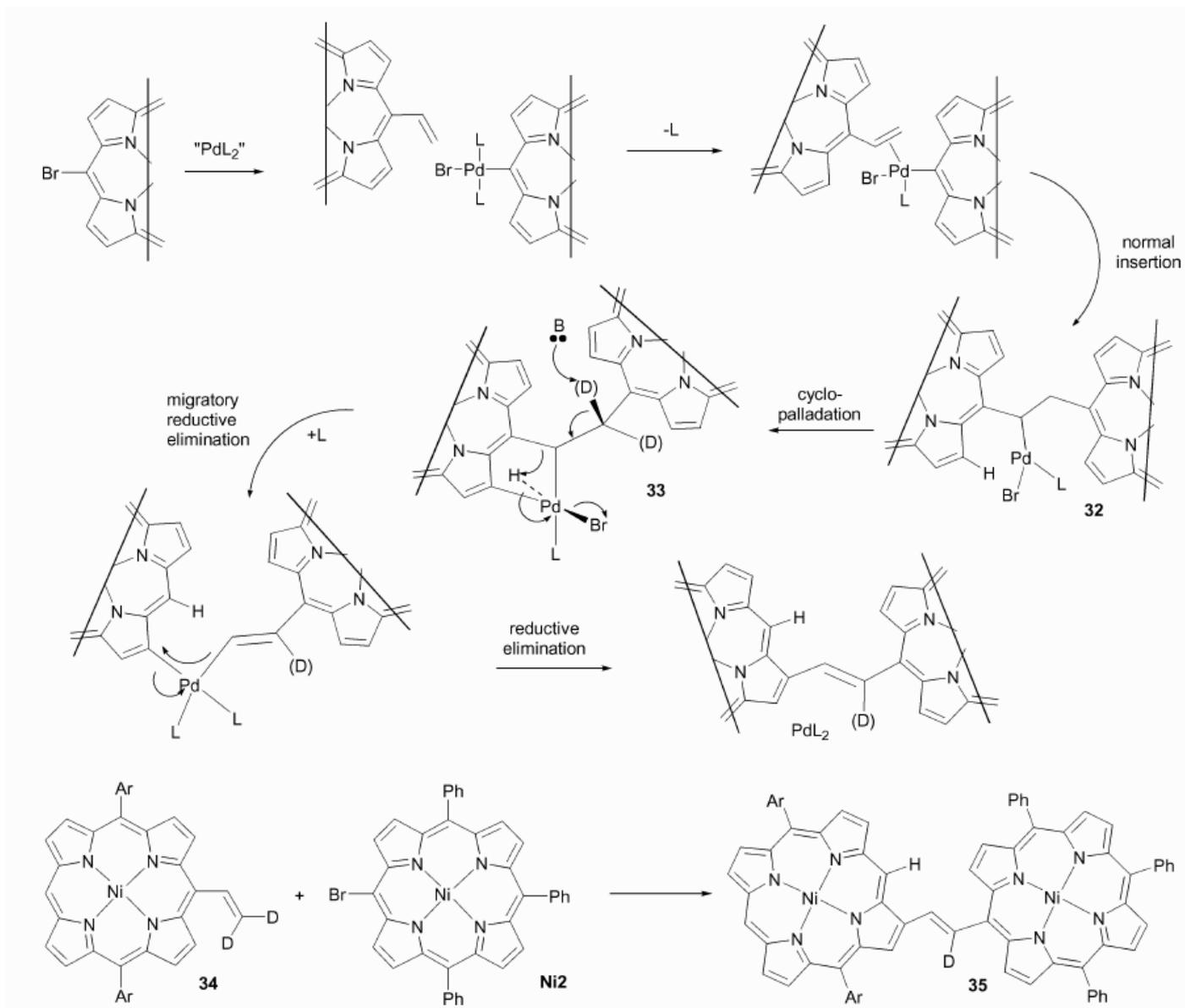
## Ex.4) Mizoroki-Heck reaction



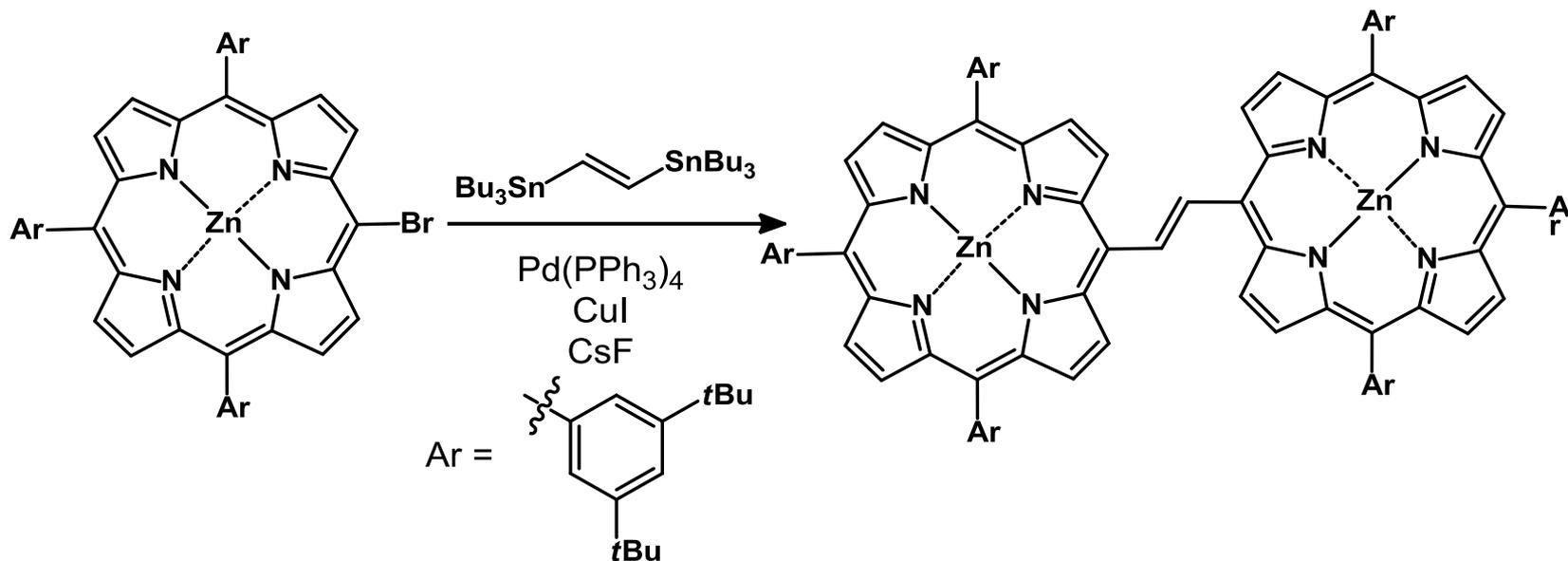
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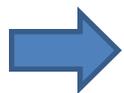
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CuI is must for this Stille coupling.



Porphyrins must be masked by Zn for preventing from insertion of Cu.

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## Summery of Chapter 2

It's difficult to synthesize porphyrin-derivatives from porphyrins or metalloporphyrins for active C-H bond and affinity of metals.

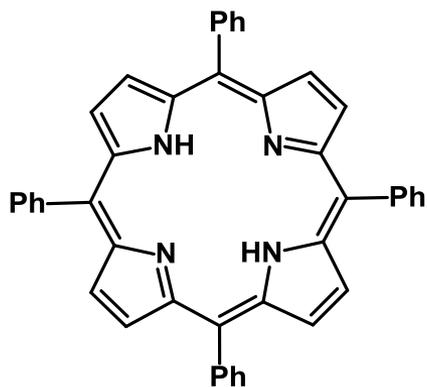
- ➡ use Zn as masking porphyrin's central site to avoid the connection of Cu. and reaction's condition must be mild.
- ➡ use Cu-free-reaction to synthesize porphyrin's derivatives.
- ➡ need special reaction's condition for porphyrins.  
(large amount of solvent, avoidance of side-reactions etc.)

## References (Reviews)

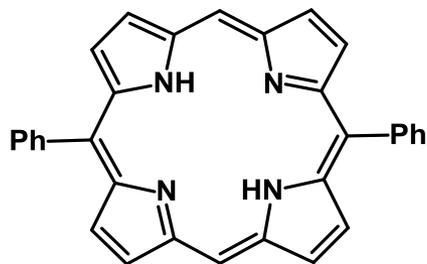
- 1) *J. Synth. Org. Chem., Jpn.*, **2007**, 65, 298
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# Appendix

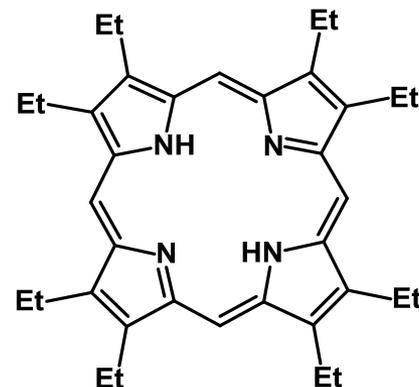
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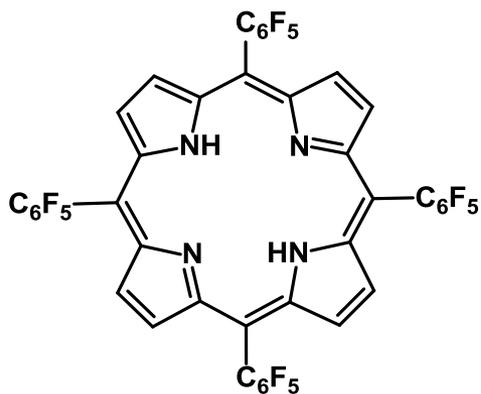
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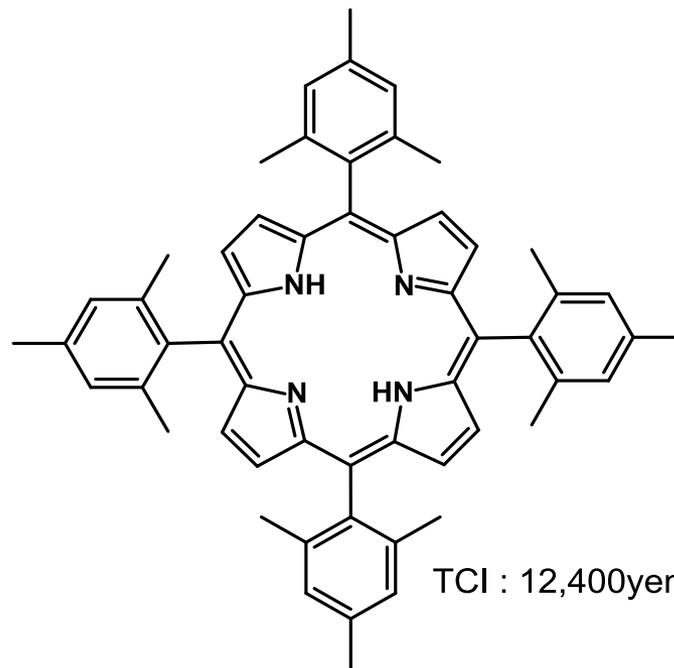
TCI : 18,200yen/100mg



TCI : 12,500yen/100mg



TCI : 9,800yen/100mg



TCI : 12,400yen/100mg