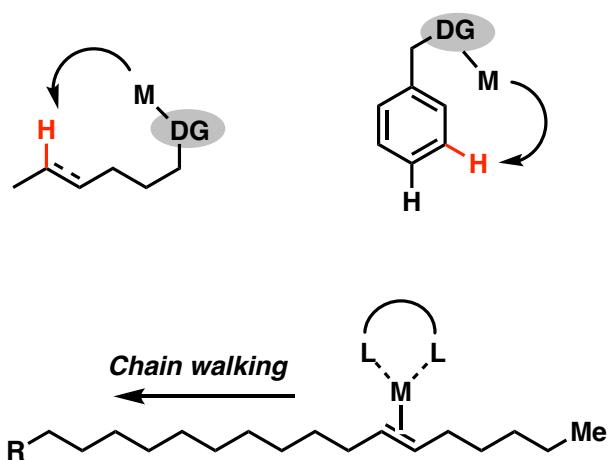


# Distal Functionalization



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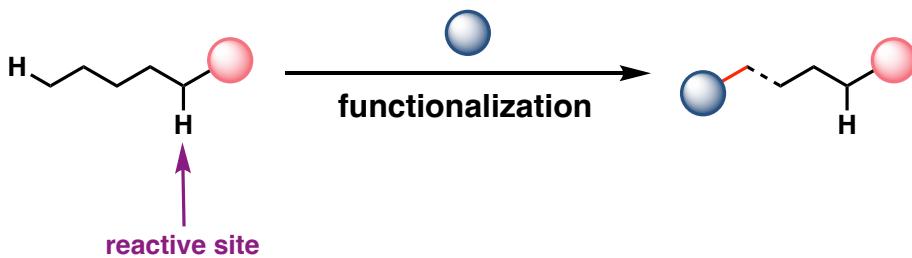
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# 1. Introduction

## 1-1. Definition of distal functionalization

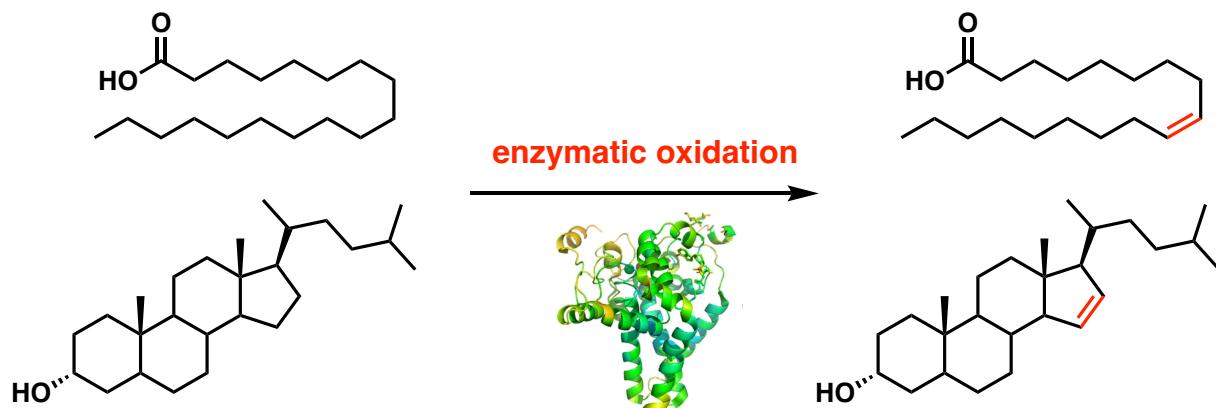
“**indirect and selective** activation of a site distant(2-3 atoms) from the initial functional group”

**Advantage :** Steric and/or electronic influences can be manipulated through the design of suitable catalysts, ligands, or reagents that alter the traditional patterns of regioselectivity.

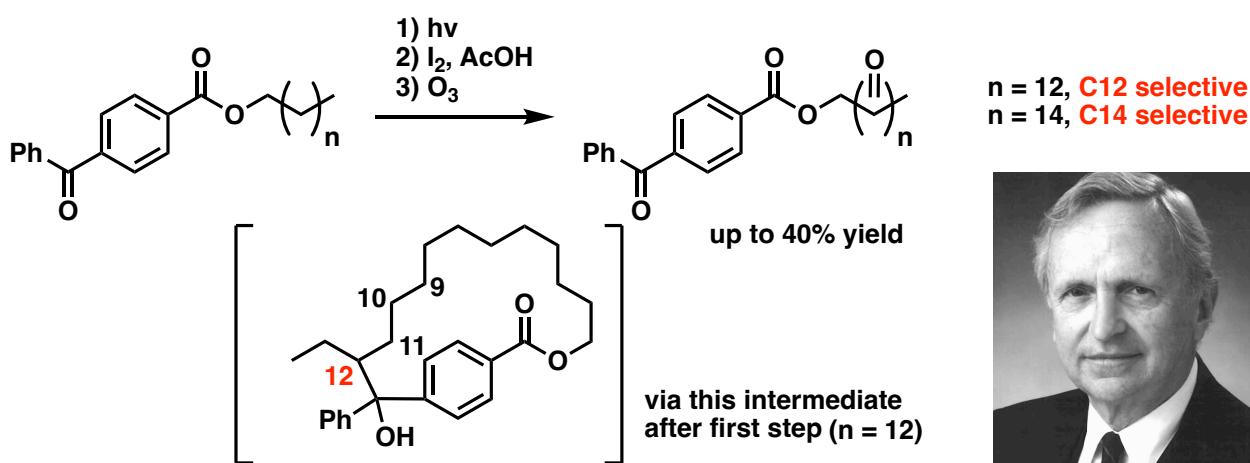


## 1-2. Early research in distal functionalization

- Enzymatic distal functionalization



- First distal C-H oxidation (Breslow 1969)



Ronald Breslow

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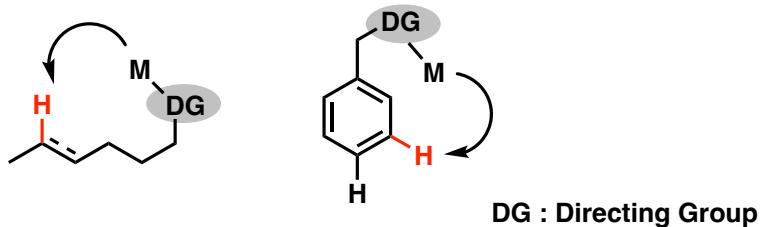
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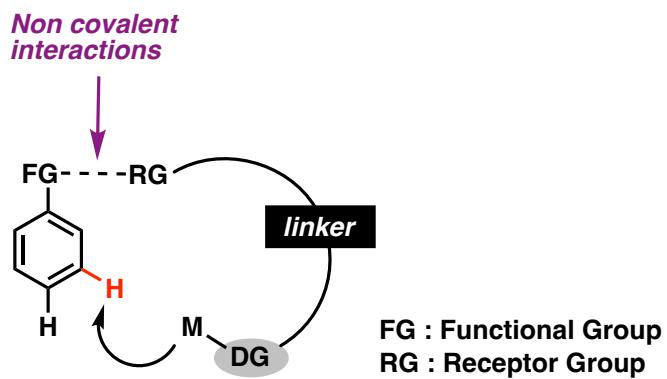
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## 1-3. Strategies for distal functionalization

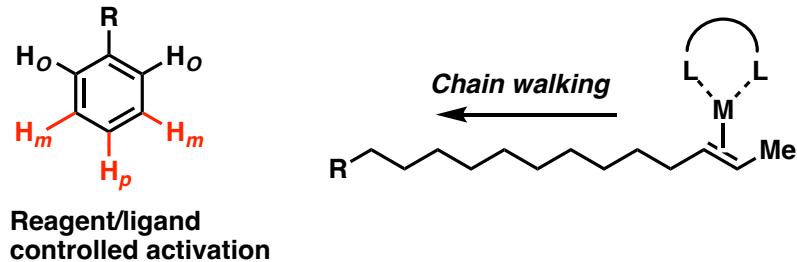
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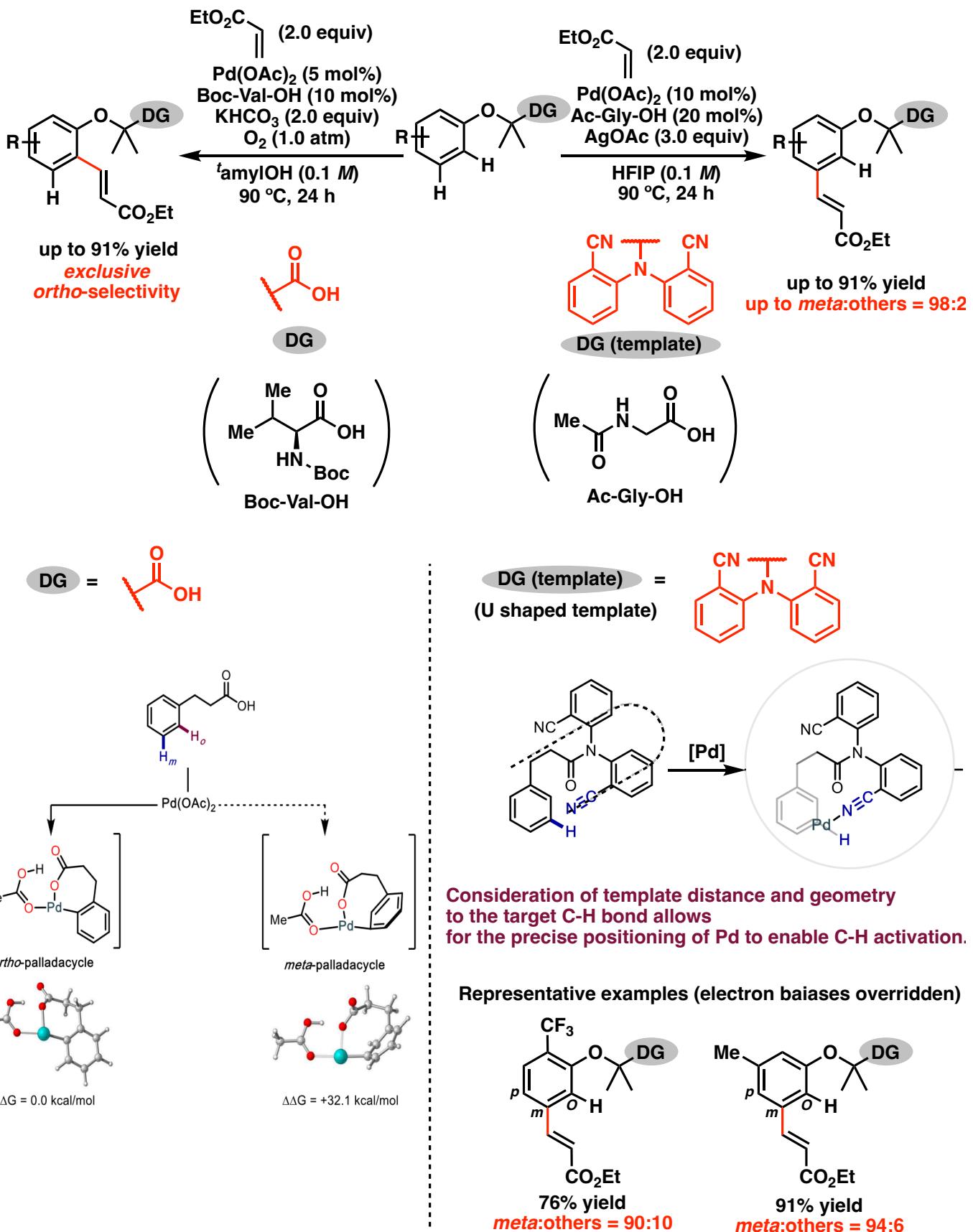


### iii) Non-directed distal C–H functionalization



## 2. Template and Transition metal-mediated

### 2-1. Pd(II)-Catalyzed *ortho*- or *meta*-C–H Olefination of Phenol Derivatives (w/ U shaped template) (Yu, 2013)

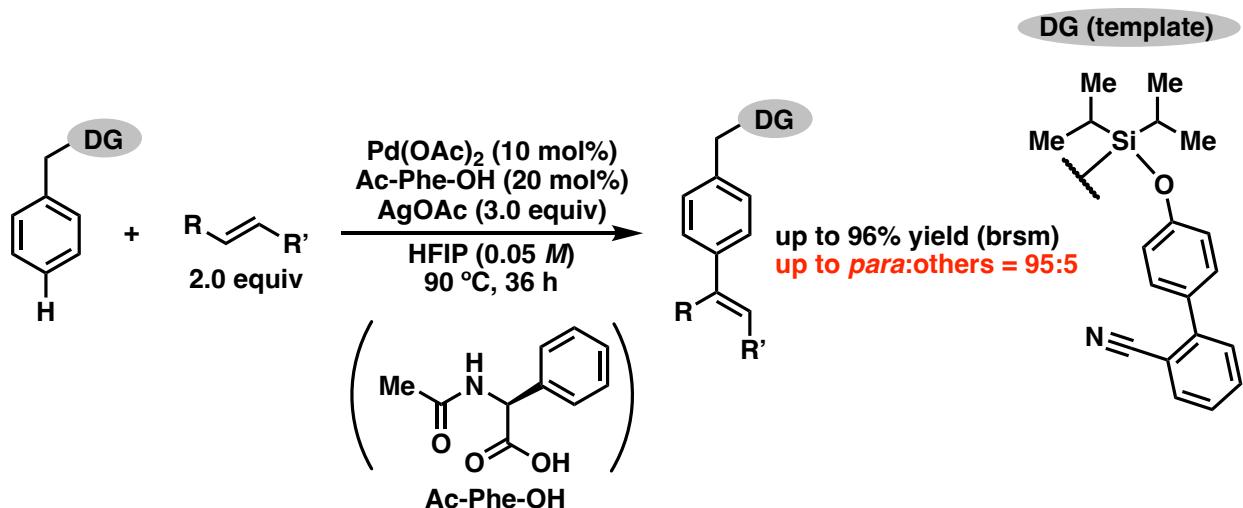


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## 2. Template and Transition metal-mediated

### 2-2. Distal para-C–H Functionalization of Arenes (w/ D shaped template)



$H_o$ : highly strained assembly; disfavored

$H_m$ : rigidity of biphenyl and linearity of coordinating group; less favored

Strained T.S.

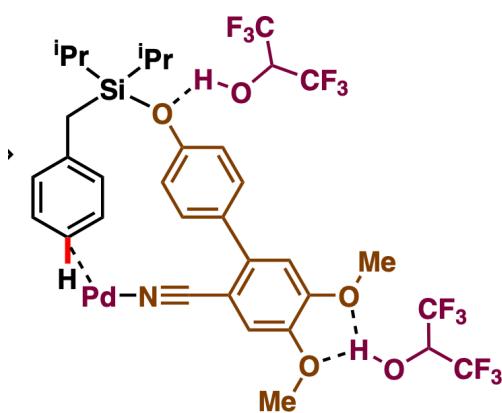
Thorpe-Ingold Effect

$H_p$ : longer chain length, greater proximity of donor to target C–H; more favored

Flexible cyclophane like T.S.

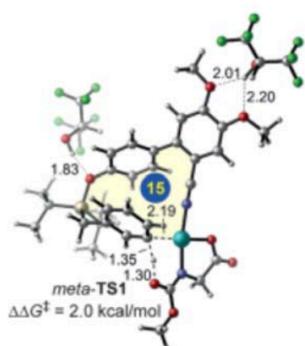
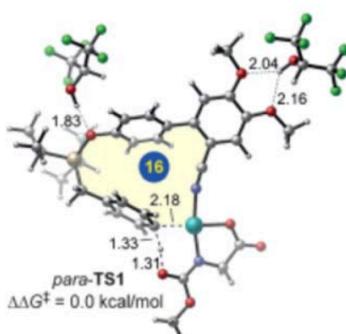
preferred anchoring of metal to para-C–H bond

17-membered metallacycle in pre-transition state



2nd Generation template

- less conformational flexibility
- more electron density on N-atom



DFT optimized transition state  
(para-C–H activation preferred over meta-C–H activation)

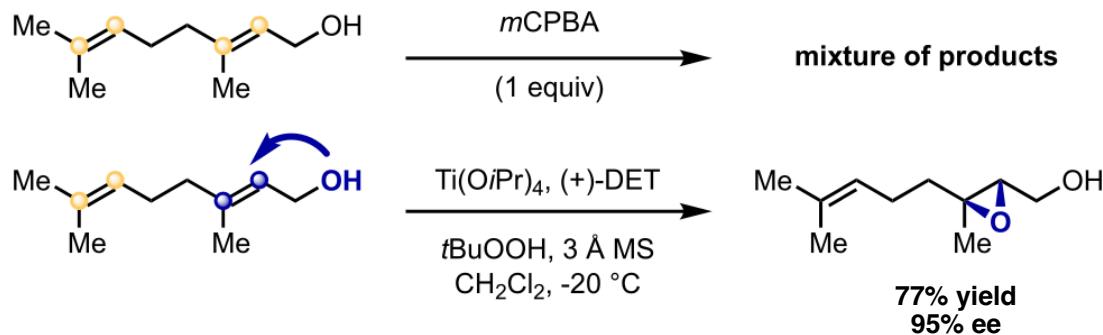
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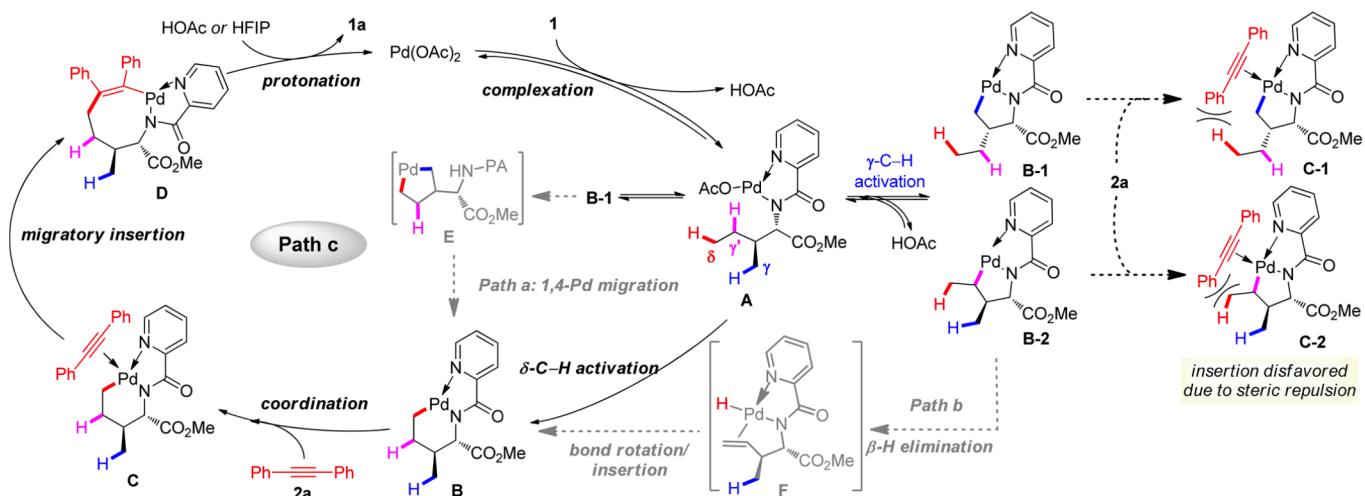
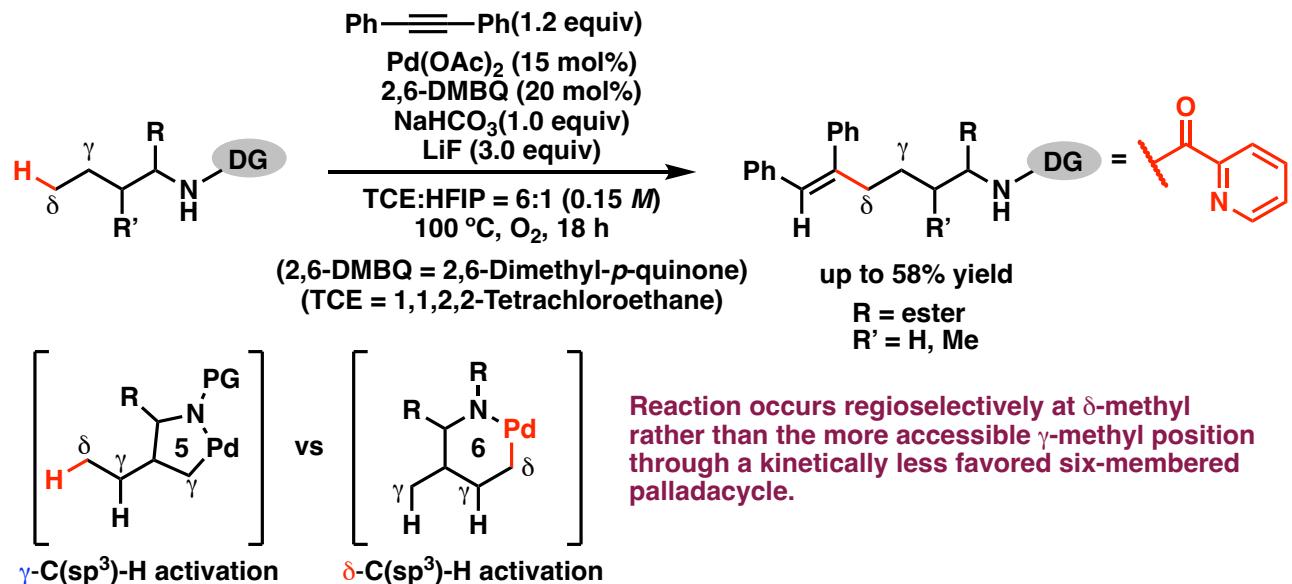
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### 2-3. Directing group-enabled regioselectivity (alkyl substrate)

#### 2-3.1. Sharpless asymmetric epoxidation



#### 2-3.2 Pd catalyzed $\delta$ -C(sp<sup>3</sup>)–H alkenylation of aliphatic amines

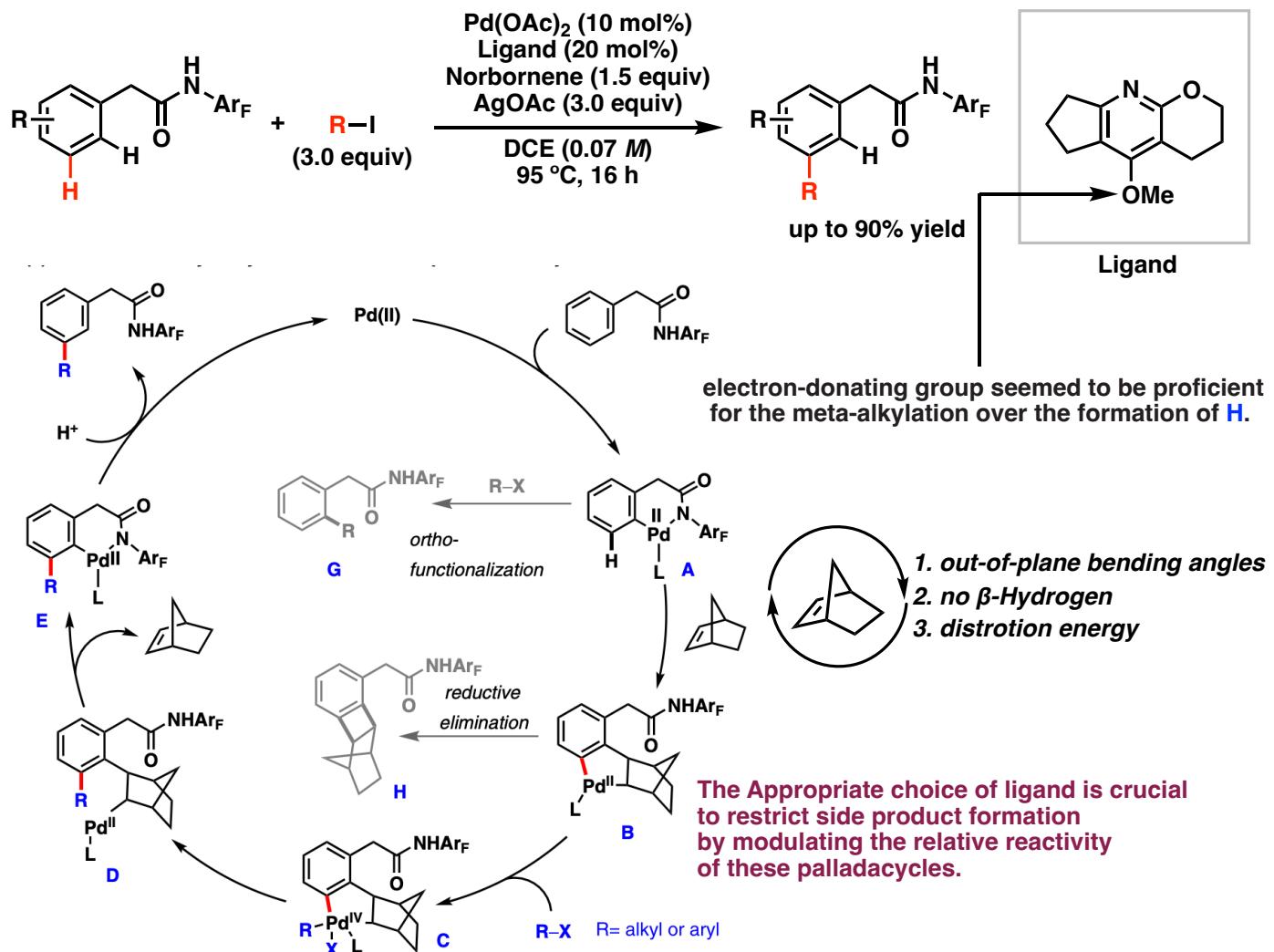


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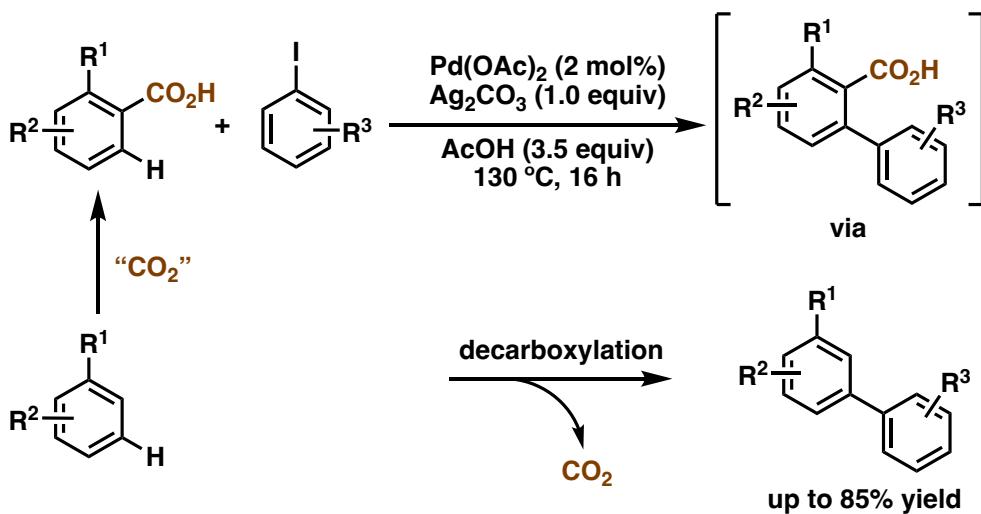
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## 2. Template and Transition metal-mediated

### 2-2-1 Transient mediator assisted Pd catalyzed distal C–H activation (mediator : Norbornene) (Yu, 2015)



### 2-2-2 Transient mediator assisted Pd catalyzed distal C–H activation (mediator : $\text{CO}_2$ ) (Larroas, 2011)



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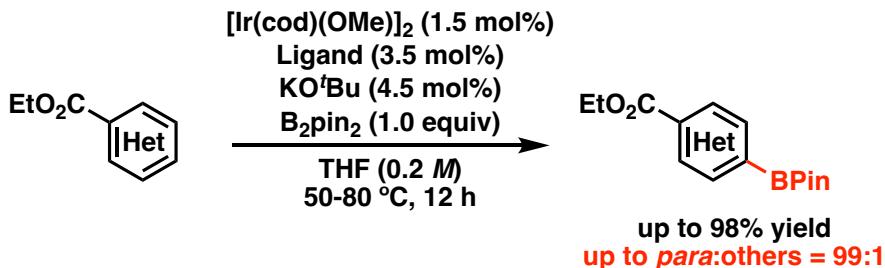
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### 3. Noncovalent interaction-enabled distal functionalization

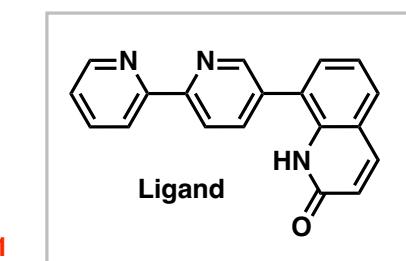
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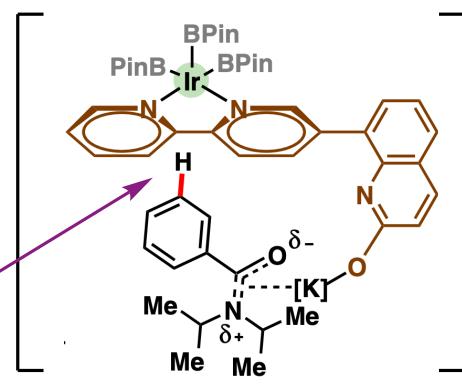
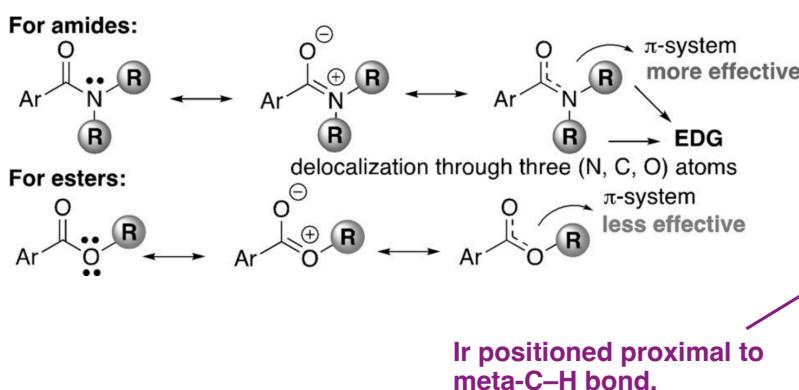
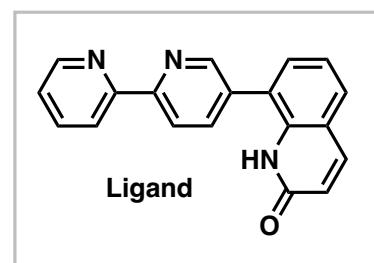
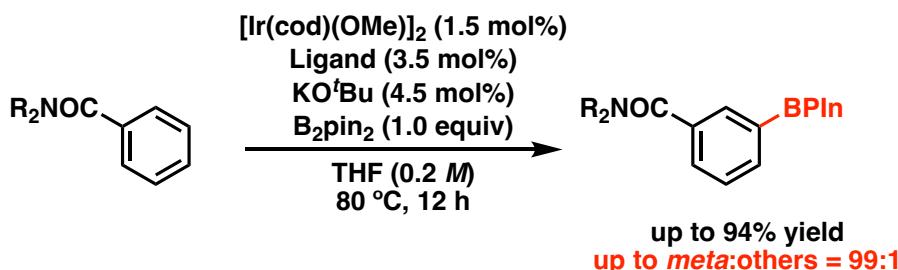


Effect of alkali metal on selectivity.

MO <sup>t</sup> Bu	additive	conv. (%)	para/meta
LiO <sup>t</sup> Bu	none	–	–
NaO <sup>t</sup> Bu	none	75	3.8/1.0
KO <sup>t</sup> Bu	none	>99	32.3/1.0
KO <sup>t</sup> Bu	18-Crown-6	90	5.6/1.0



#### 3-1.2 Cation-pi interaction (*meta*-selective C–H borylation) (Chattopadhyay, 2018)



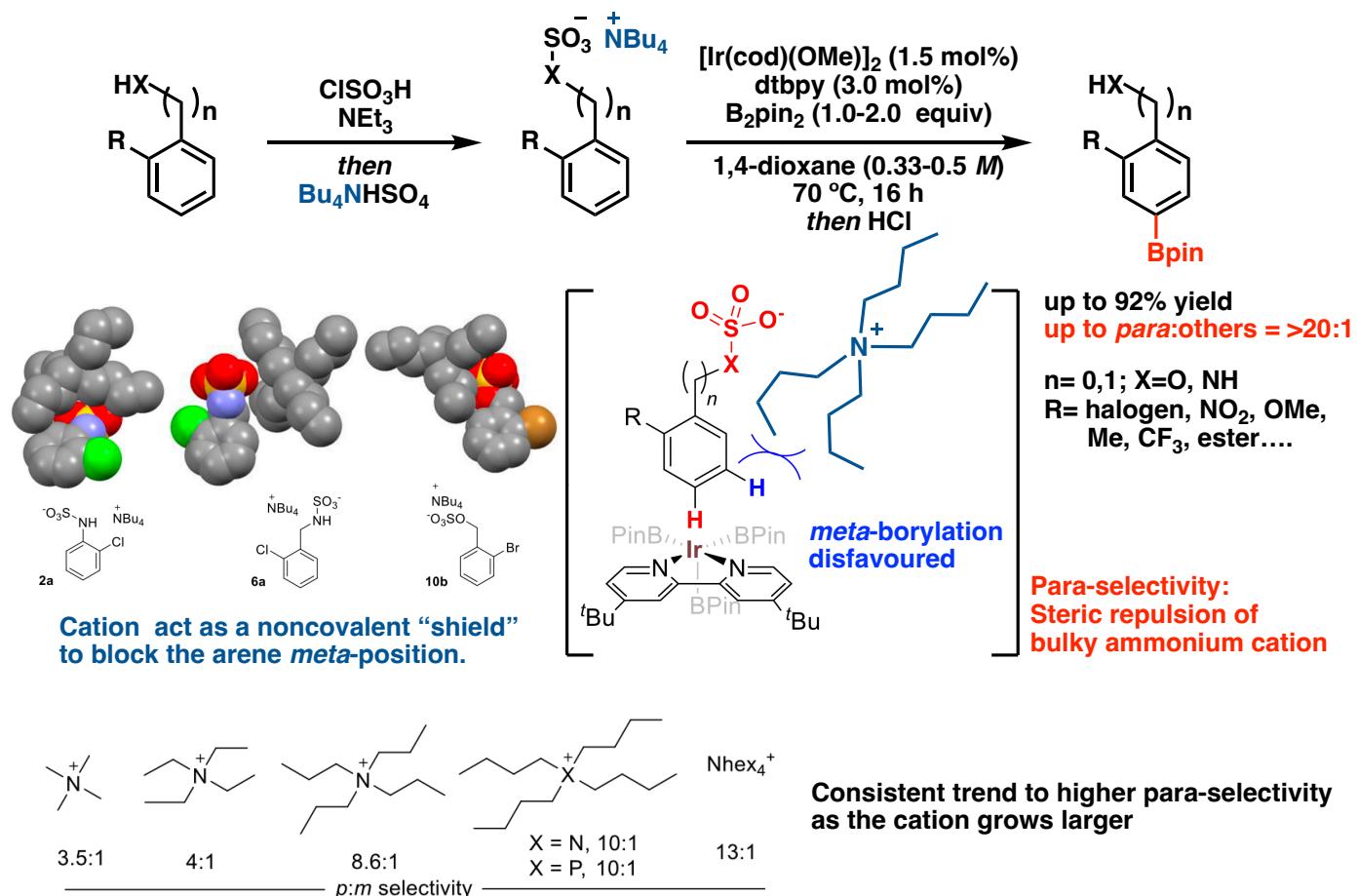
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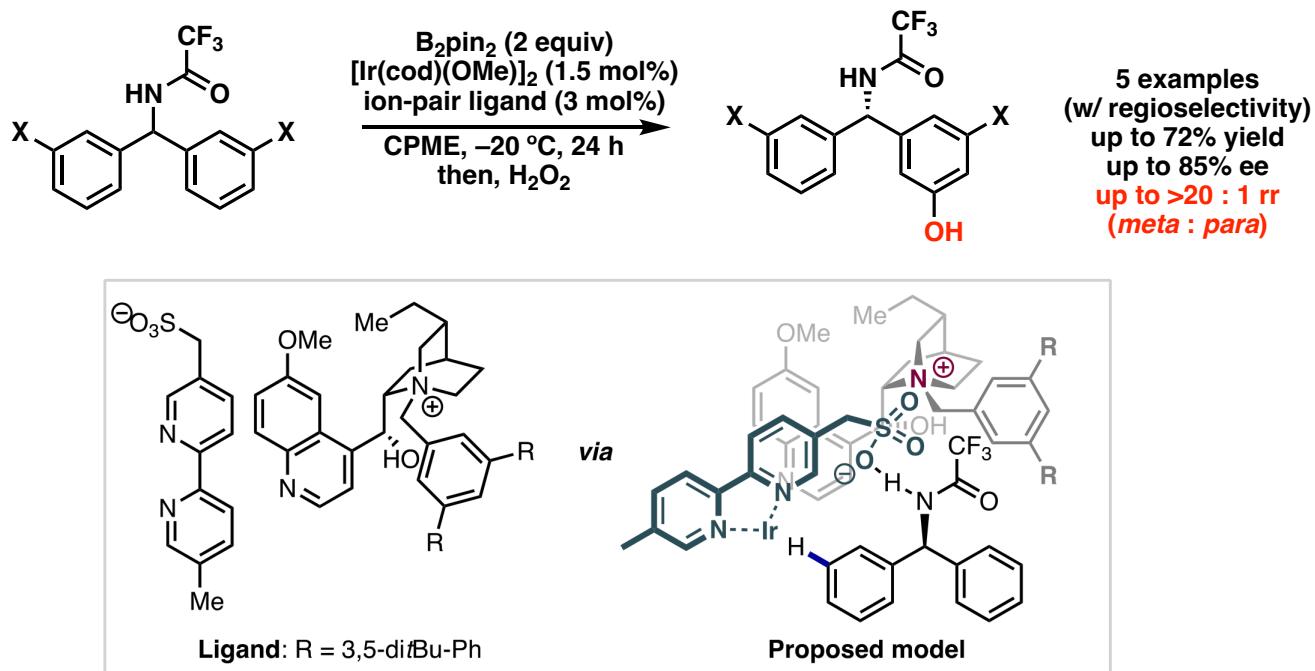
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#### 3-2 Ion-pair interaction with ammonium cation

##### 3-2.1 Ion-pairing with a Bulky counterocation (Phipps, 2019)



##### 3-2.2 Combination of hydrogen-bonding and ion-pair interaction (Phipps, 2020)



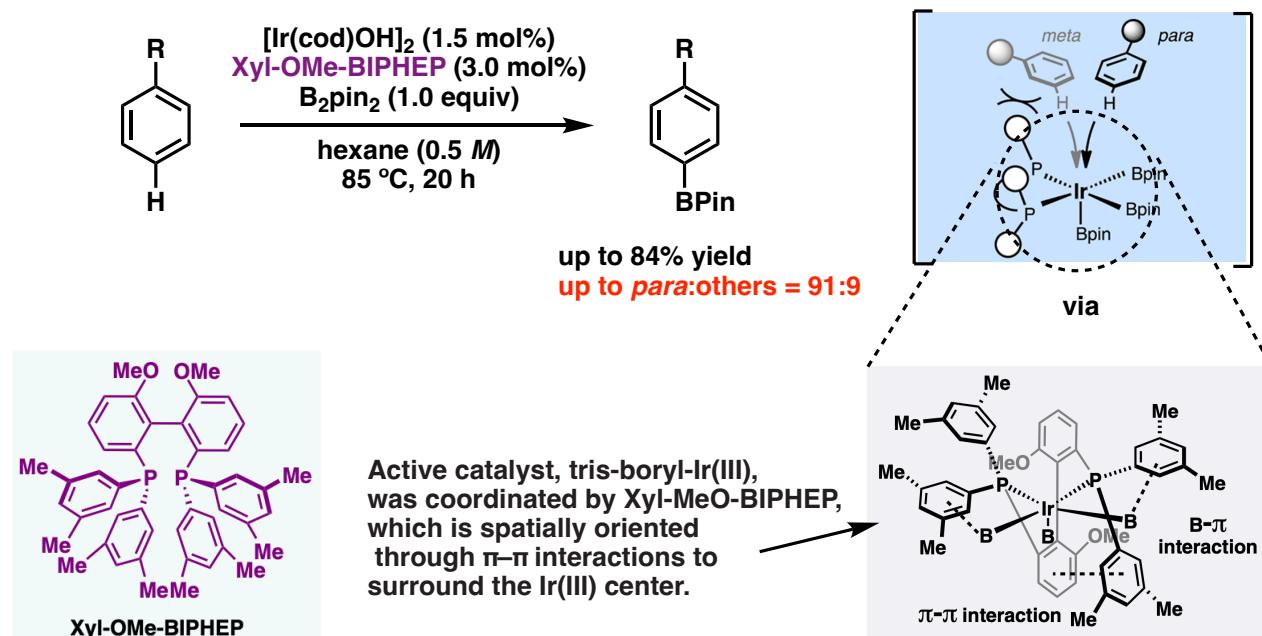
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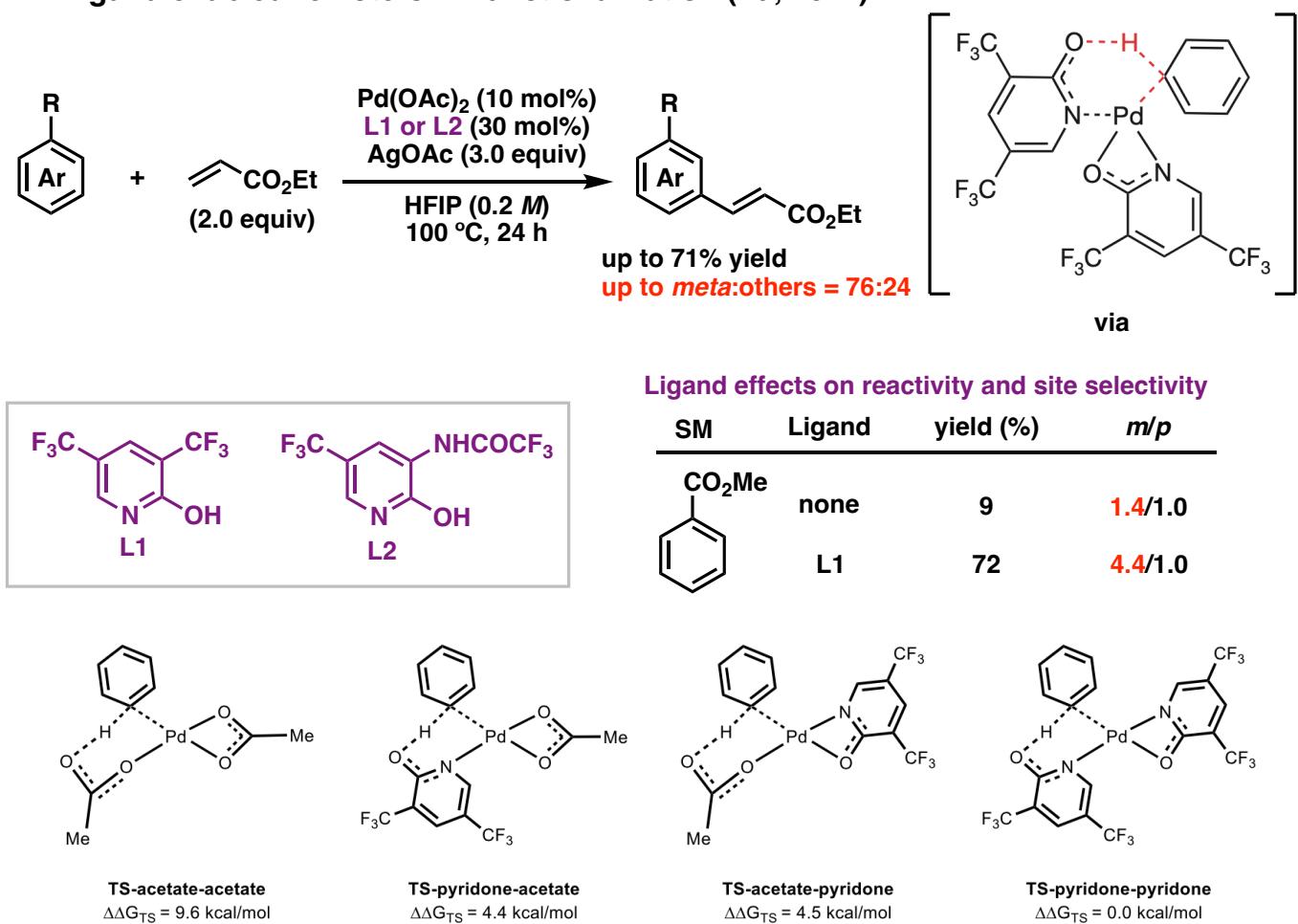
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### 4-1. Non-directed ligand controlled distal C–H functionalization

#### 4-1.1 Bulky ligand controlled *para*-C–H borylation (Itami, 2015)



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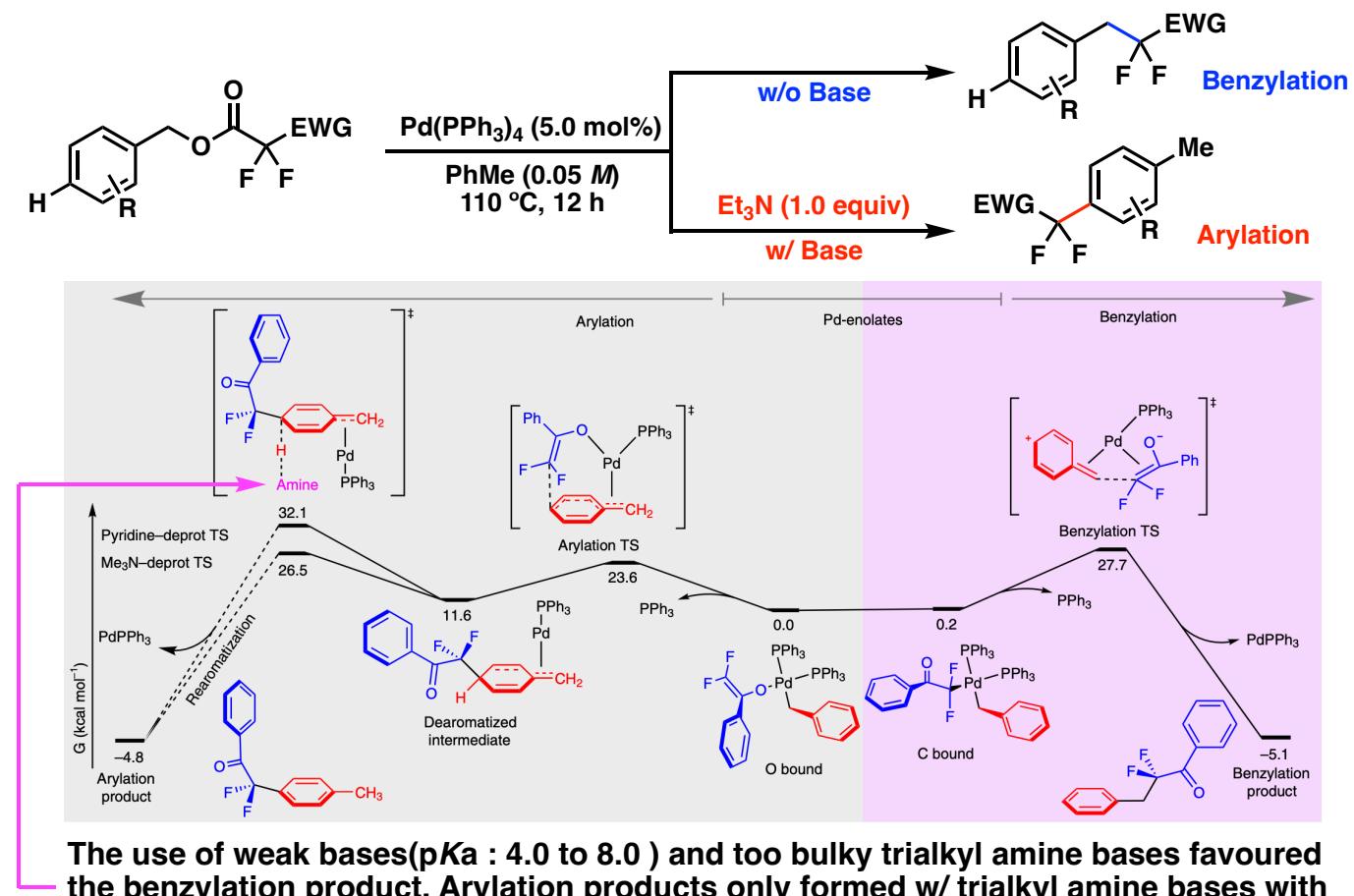
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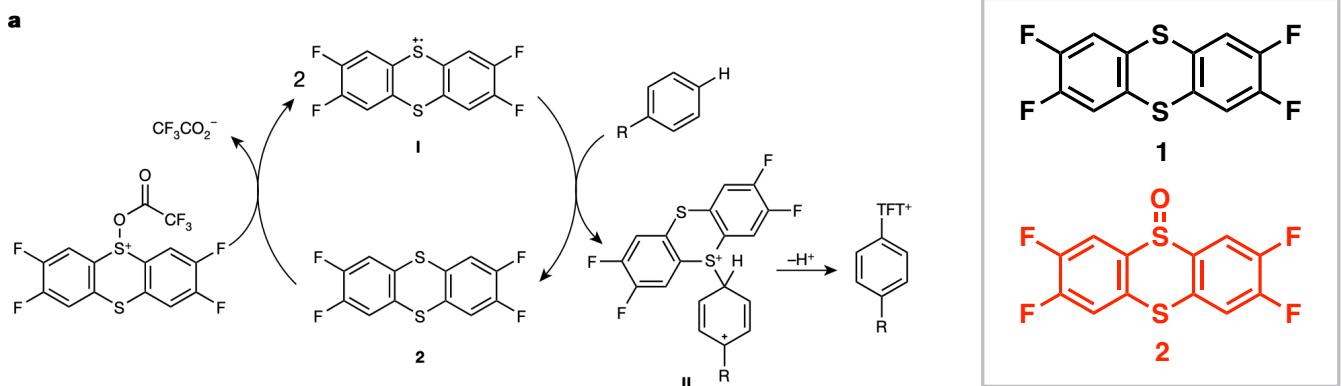
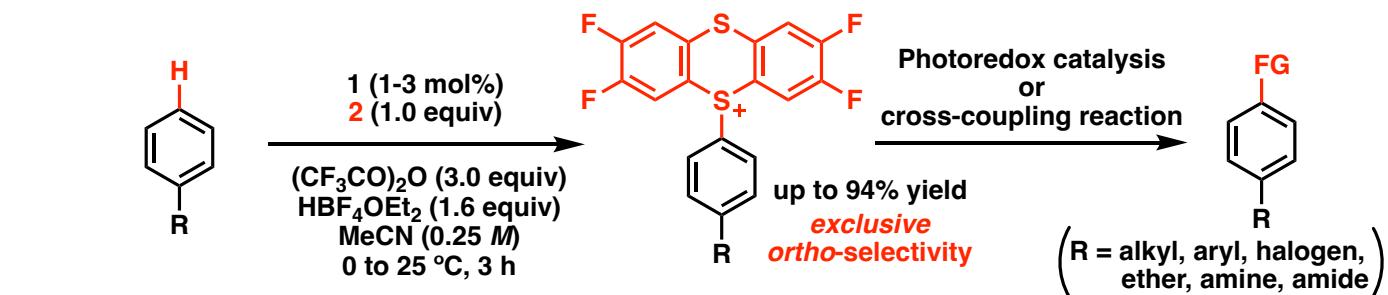
### 4-2. Non-directed reagent controlled distal C–H functionalization

#### 4-2.1. Base enabled *para*-C–H fluoromethylation *via* 1,5-hydrogen shift (Altman, 2020)



The use of weak bases ( $pK_a$  : 4.0 to 8.0) and too bulky trialkyl amine bases favoured the benzylation product. Arylation products only formed w/ trialkyl amine bases with  $pK_a$  8.0–10.5.

### 4-2.2. Distal C–H functionalization by thianthrenation (Ritter, 2019)



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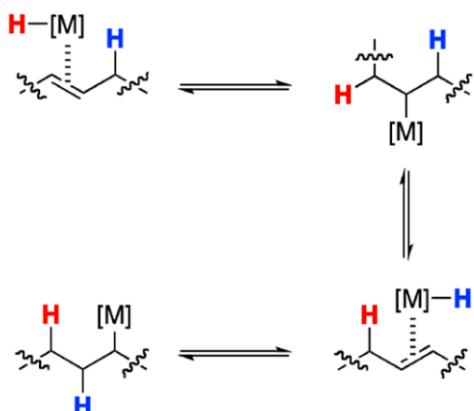
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### 4-3. Chain walking

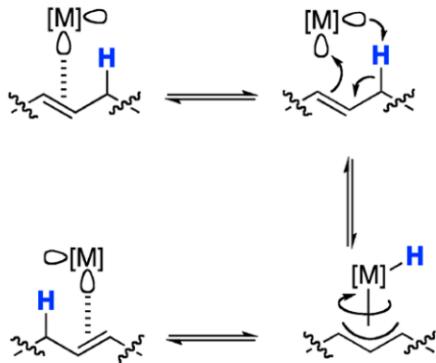
#### 4-3.1. General mechanism of olefin isomerization

a) 1,2-hydride shift



Reaction starts with a metal-hydride ( $M-H$ )

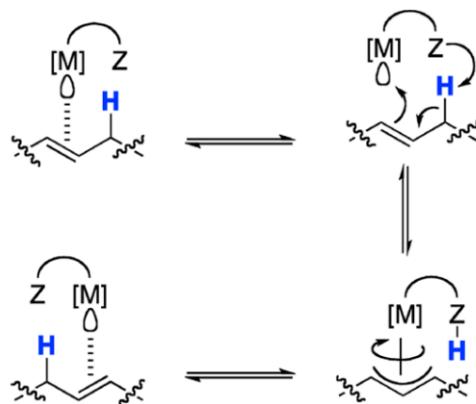
b) 1,3-hydride shift (agostic interaction)



It requires two vacant orbitals:

1. olefine coordination
2. C–H allylic activation to occur

c) 1,3-hydride shift (with ligand)



Stereocontrol

a) 1,2-hydride shift



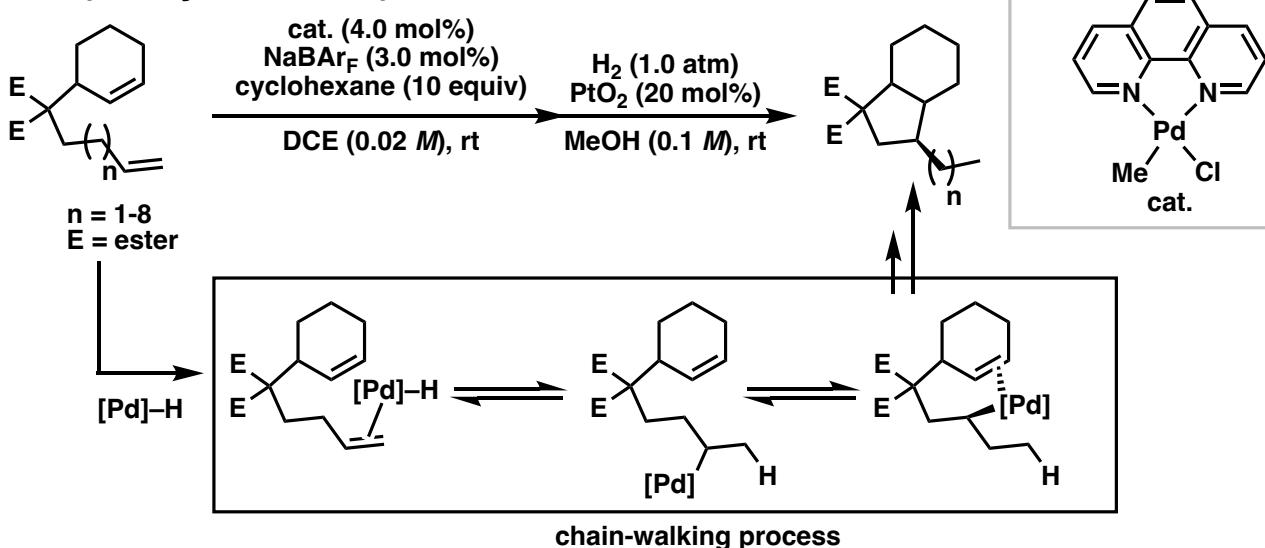
b) 1,3-hydride shift



1,2-allylic strain

steric interactions with  $ML_n$   
1,3-allylic strain

#### 4-3.2. Cycloisomerization/Hydrogenation of 1,n-dienes (Kakiuchi, 2012) (1,2-hydride shift)



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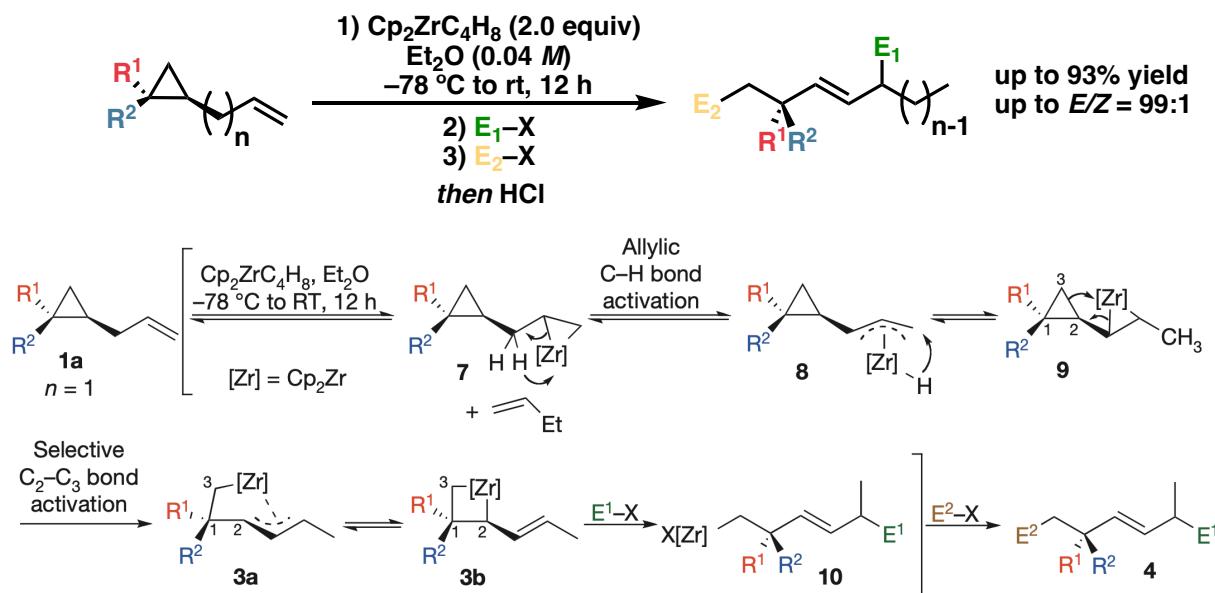
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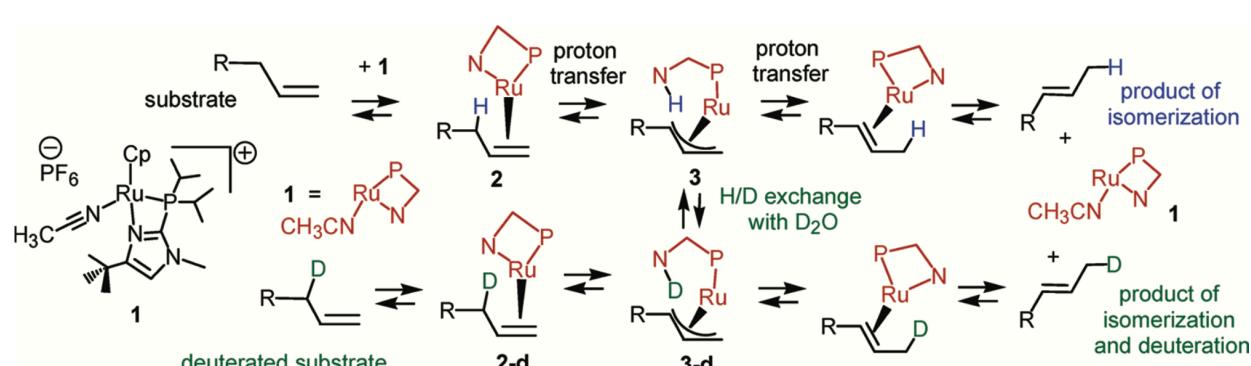
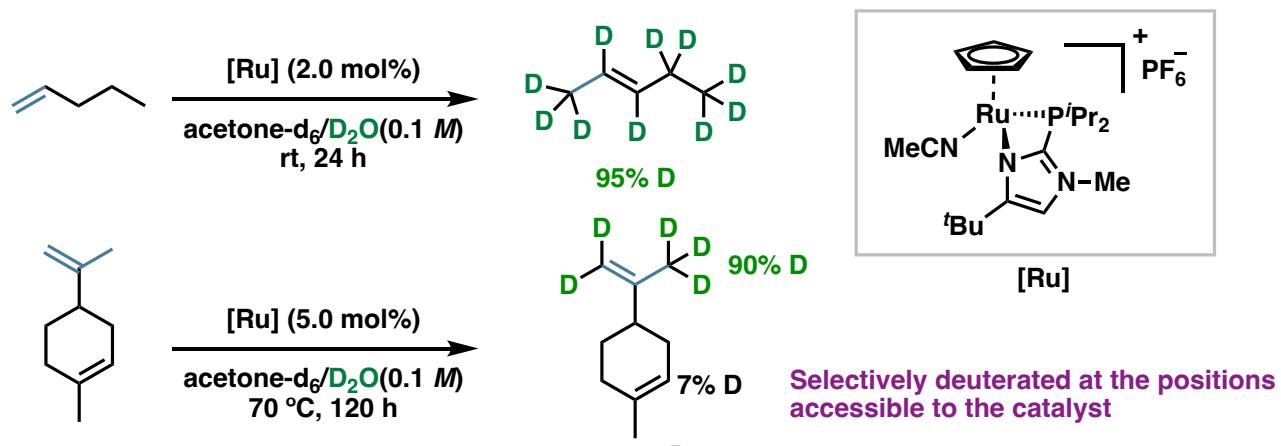
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### 4-3. Chain walking

#### 4-3.3. Merging allylic carbon–hydrogen and selective carbon–carbon bond activation (Marek, 2014)(1,3-hydride shift/agostic interaction)



#### 4-3.4. Isomerization–deuteration using $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ . (Grotjahn, 2009) (1,3-hydride shift/with ligand)



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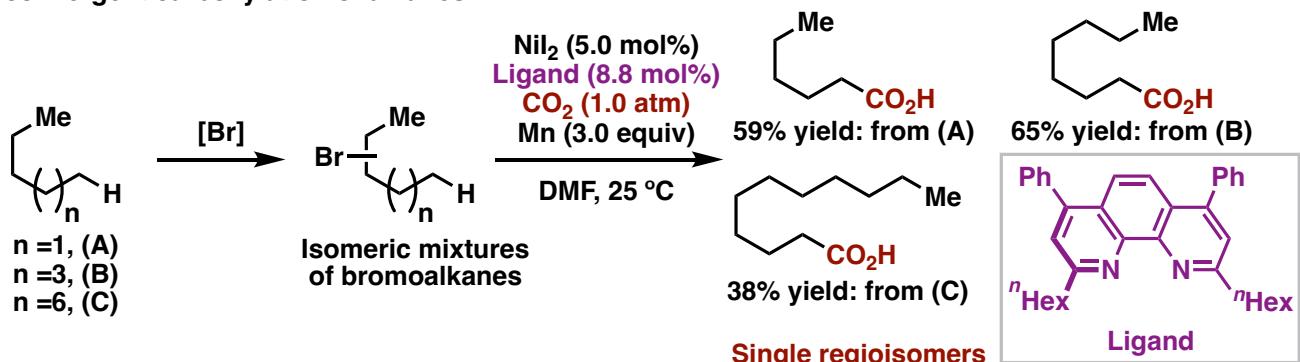
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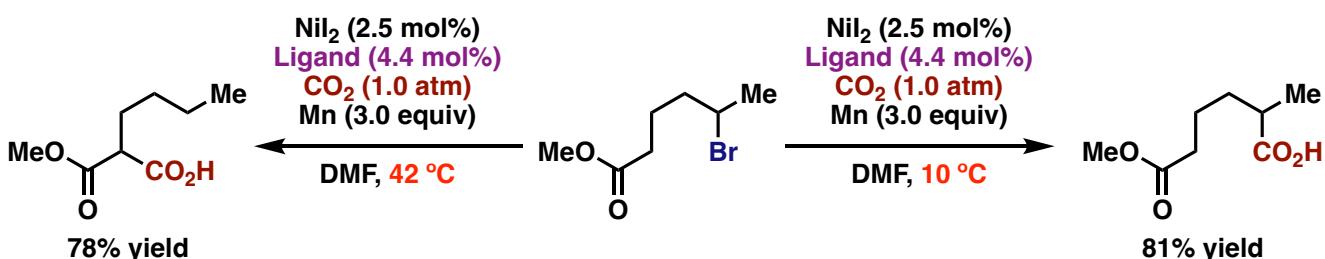
### 4-3. Chain walking

#### 4-3.5. Remote carboxylation (Martin, 2017)

Regioconvergent carboxylation of alkanes

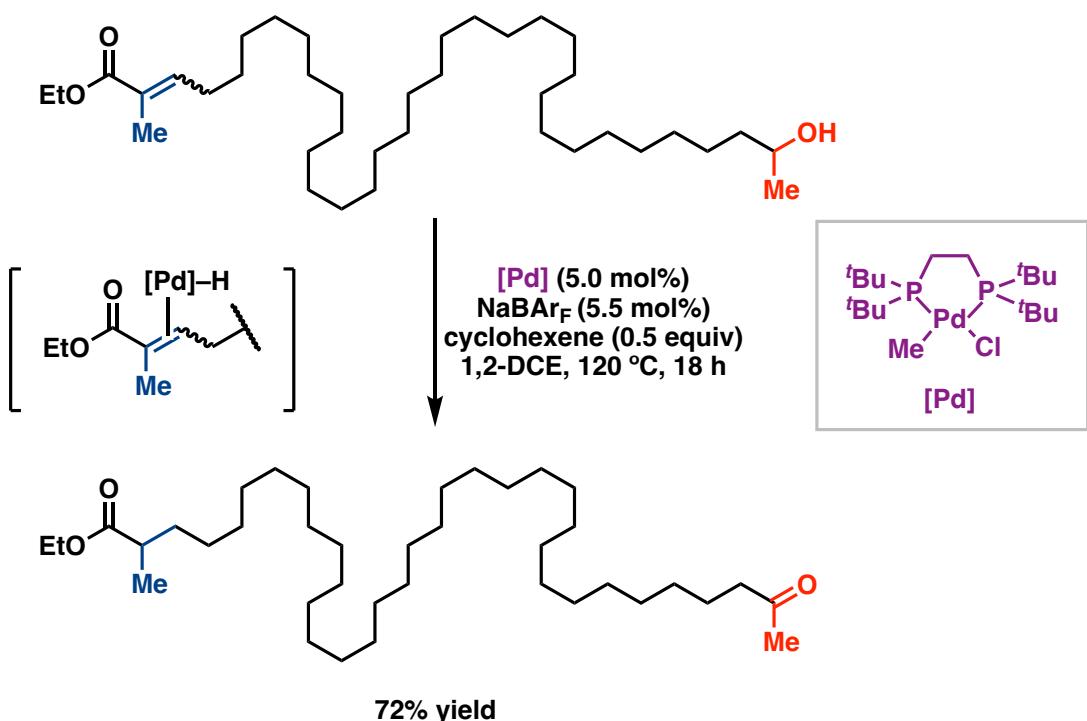


Switchable site-selective carboxylation of unactivated alkyl bromides



*Thermodynamically controlled intermediates  
(Ni on  $\alpha$ -position of carbonyls) at higher temperatures*

#### 4-3.6. Long-Range Isomerization (Mazet, 2016)



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