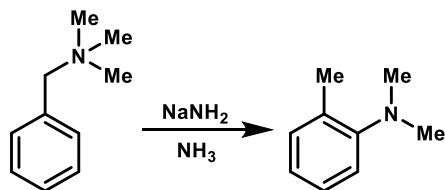
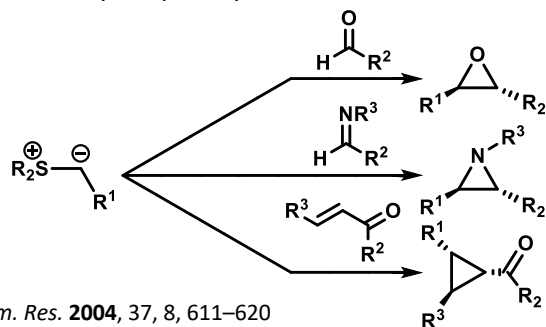


First Sulfur Ylide (Ingold, 1930)

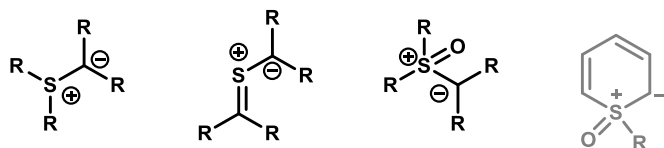


Somelet-Hauser rearrangement (1937)

Johnson-Corey-Chaykovsky reaction



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Sulfonium

Thiocarbonyl

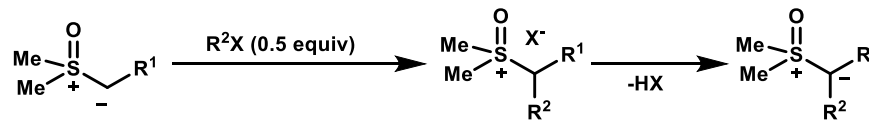
Sulfoxonium

Thiopyranoxide

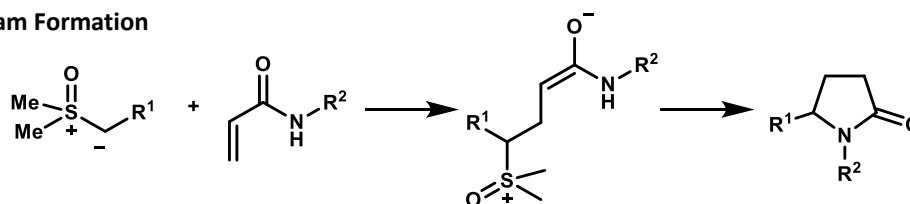
**What is Covered:** Generation and application of sulfur-containing ylides that are precursors to form >4 membered rings.

**Bonus:** Thiopyranoxides ylide generation

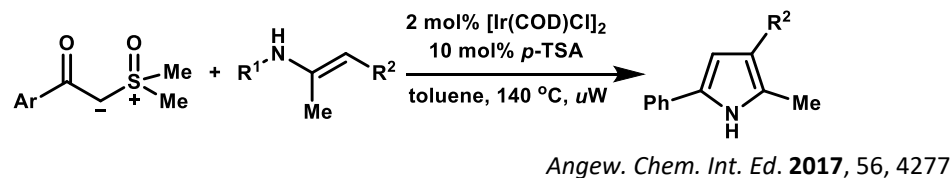
Hydrogen Atom Substitution



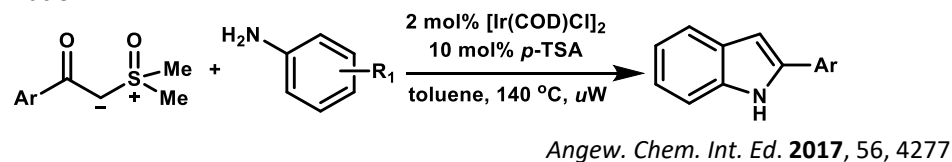
numerous substitutions have been reported

 $\gamma$ -Lactam Formation

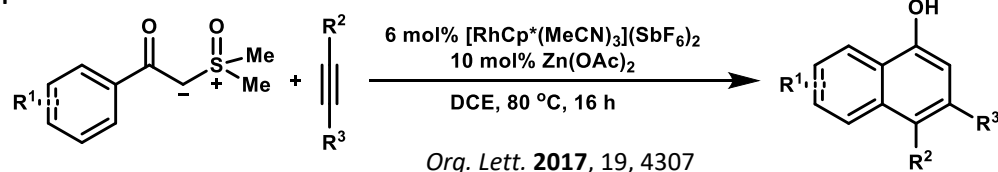
Pyrrole Formation



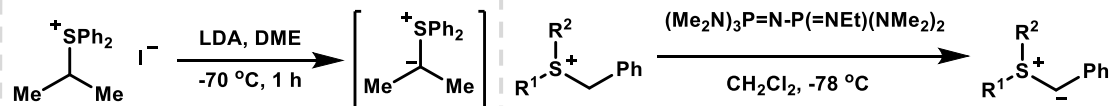
Indole Formation



Naphthol Formation



Sulfonium Ylides: Deprotonation of Sulfonium Salts

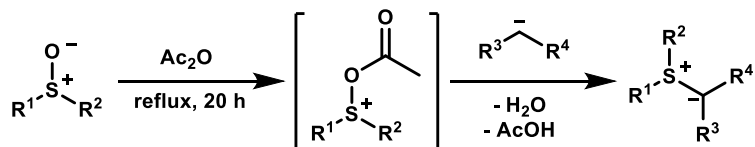
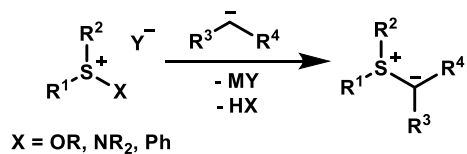


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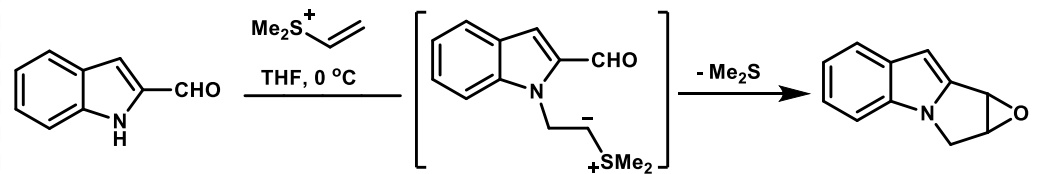
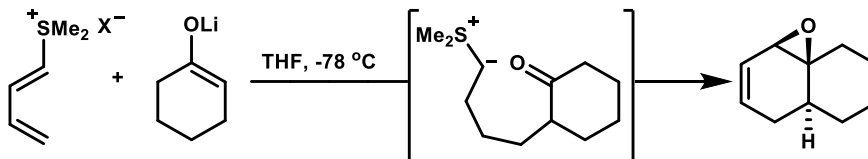
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**Tip:** Do not add to  $\text{CHCl}_3$

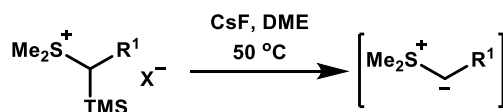
## Generation: Sulfonium Salt Substitution



## Intramolecular Cyclization through Epoxidation

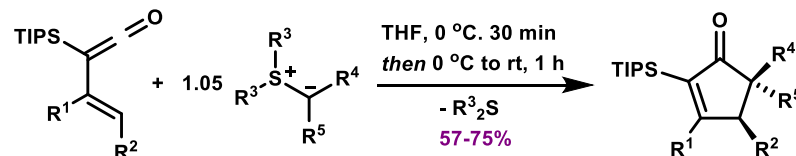
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## Generation: Desilylation

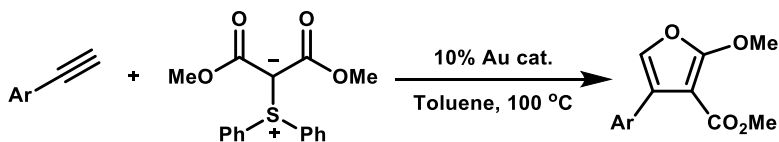


Other methods: reaction of sulfides with carbenes and carbenoids

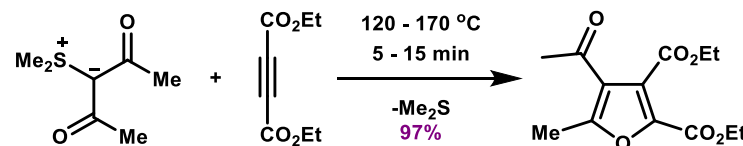
## Butenolide Formation from Ketenes

R<sup>1</sup> = R<sup>4</sup> = R<sup>5</sup> = H, Me; R<sup>2</sup> = R<sup>3</sup> = Me, PhJ. Am. Chem. Soc. **1998** 120, 9690

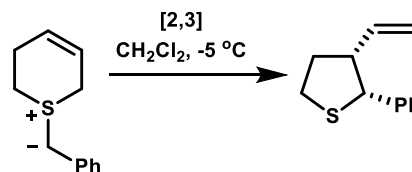
## Applications in Synthesis: Gold-catalyzed Furan Formation

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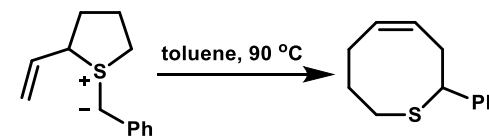
## Furan Formation from Alkynes

Tetrahedron **1970**, 26, 4353

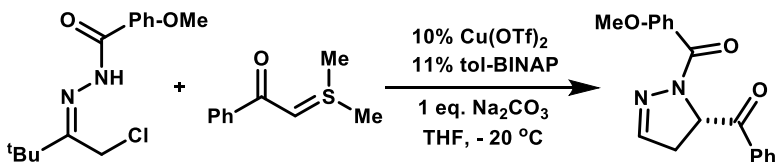
## Ring Contraction

J. Chem. Soc. Perkin Trans. **2001**, 1, 2269

## Ring Expansion

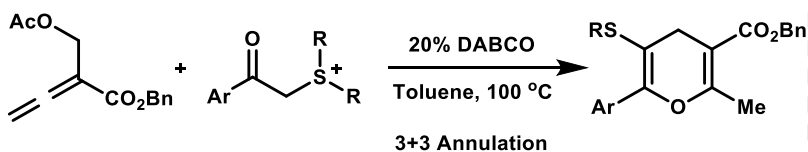
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## (4+1) Cycloadditions



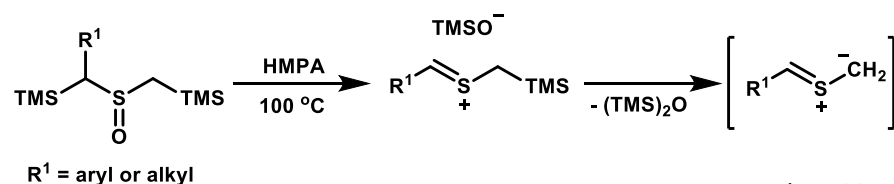
Conditions also exist for substituted oxalidinones

## Formation of 4H-Pyrans from Allenes



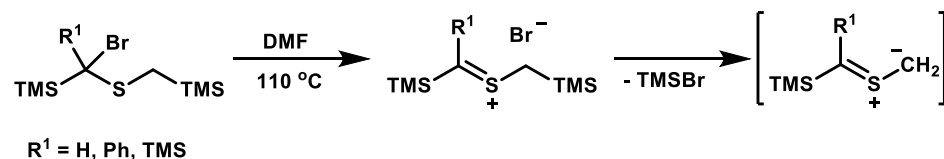
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## Variation 1: Thermal Decomposition

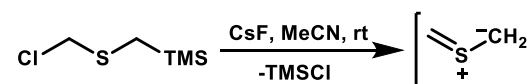


*Heterocycles* **1995**, 40, 249

## Variation 2: Elimination of Halotrimethylsilanes

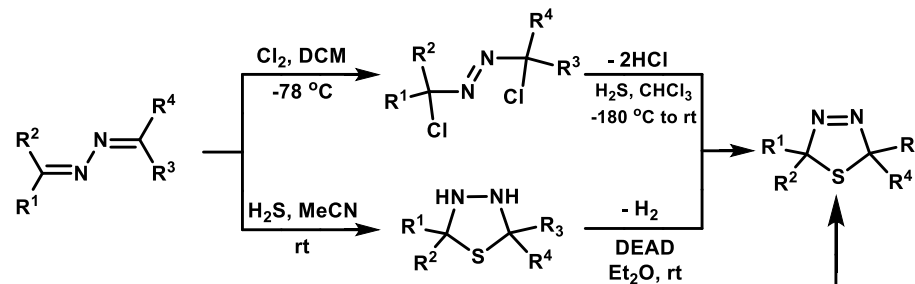
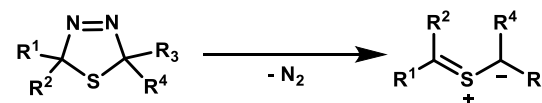


*Tetrahedron Lett.* **1985**, 26, 3011



*J. Chem. Soc., Chem Commun.* **1986**, 1073

## Variation 3: Extrusion of Nitrogen

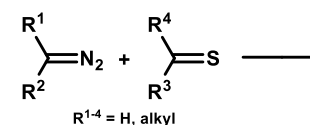


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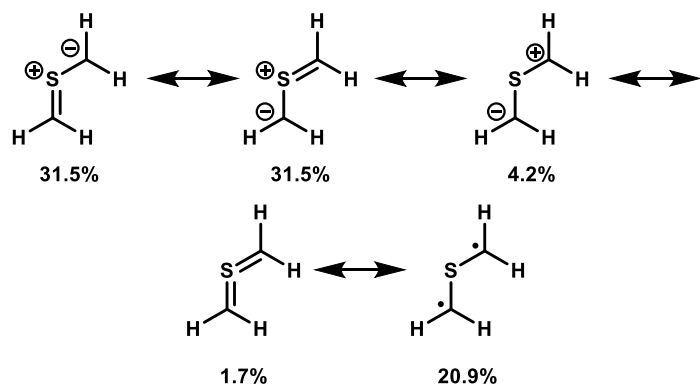
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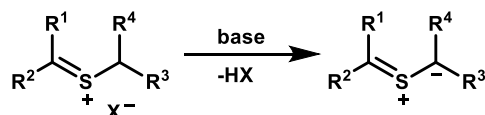


## Thiocarbonyl Ylides: Resonance Forms



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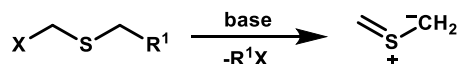
## Generation: Deprotonation of Sulfonium Salts



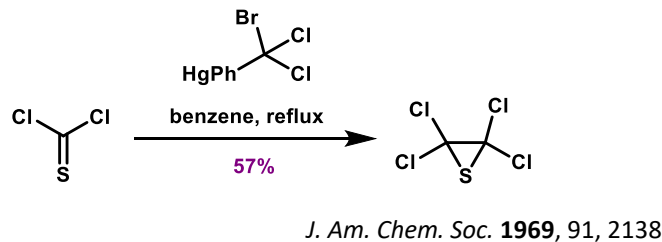
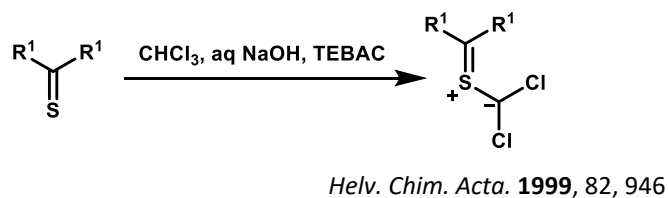
Limited substrate scope:

- R<sup>1</sup> or R<sup>2</sup> = nitrogen-based FG
- R<sup>1</sup>/R<sup>2</sup> must not have alpha protons
- R<sup>3</sup>/R<sup>4</sup> normally stabilize anion

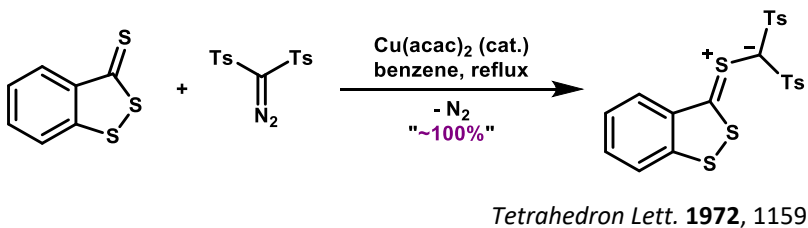
## Generation: 1,3-Elimination Reactions



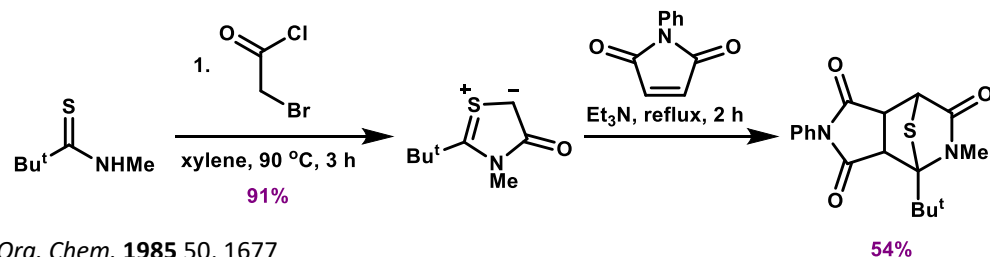
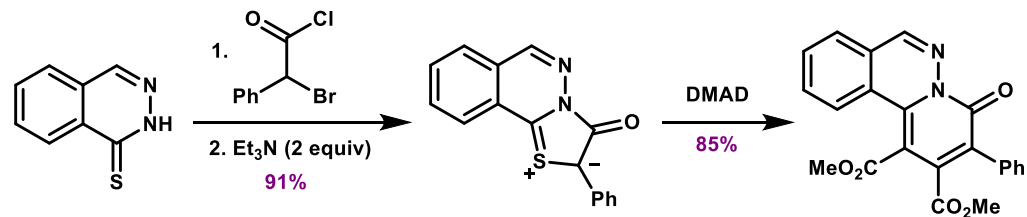
## Method 4: Carbene/Carbenoid Addition to Thiocarbonyls



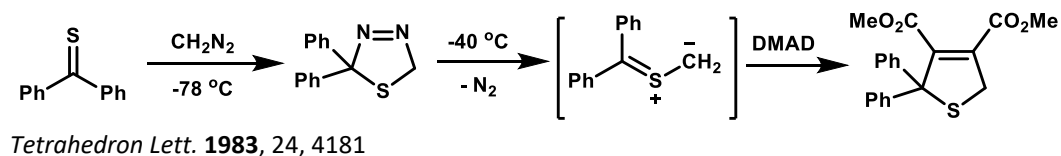
## Variation 2: Decomposition of Diazo Compounds



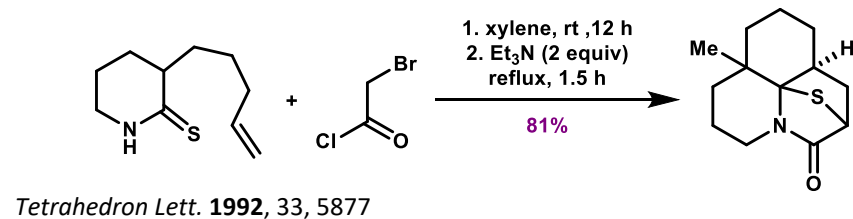
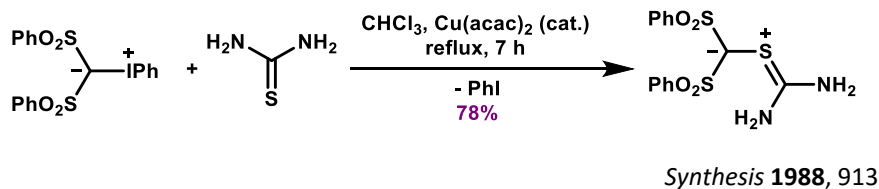
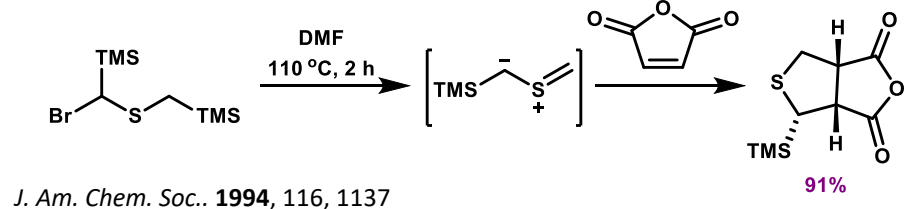
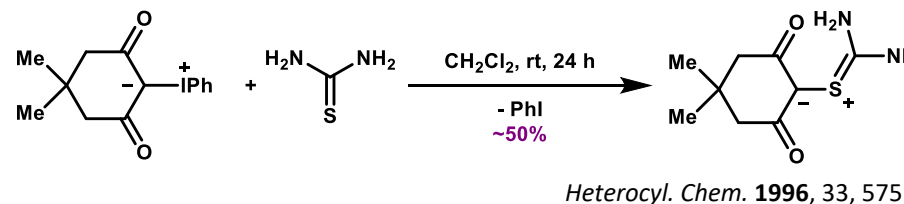
## Applications in Synthesis



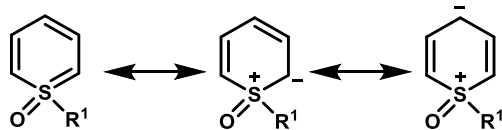
## 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition



## Variation 3: Phenyliodonium Ylides

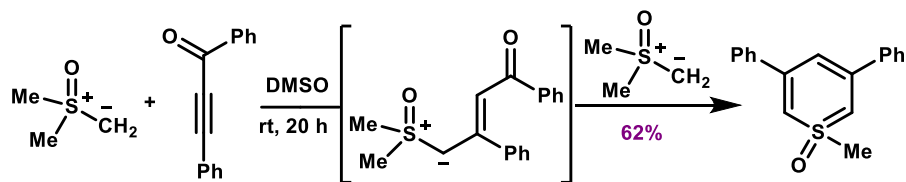


## Cyclic Conjugated Sulfoxonium Ylides

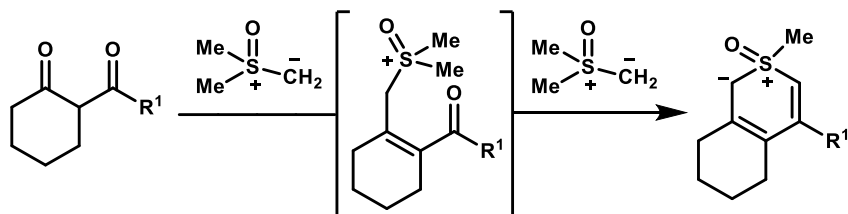


*doesn't perform cyclization reactions – but is cool*

## Synthesis of Ylide:

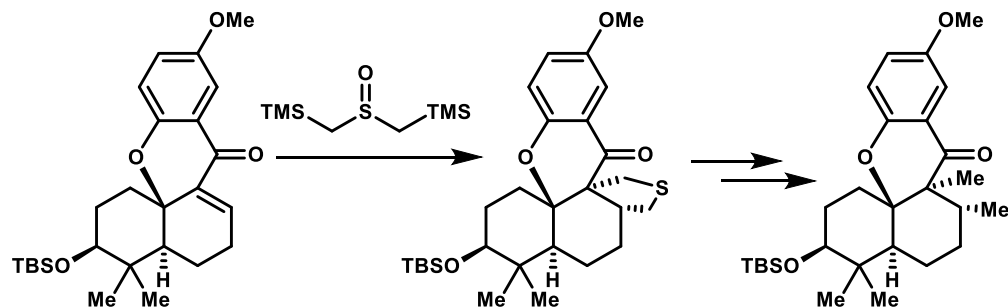


## Generation: 1,3-Diketones



*Isolable species that generally reacts as a weaker sulfoxonium ylides*

## Synthesis of Cyclosmenospongine



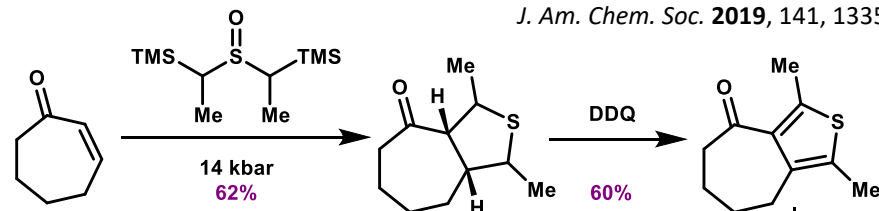
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100 °C (4%)  
5 kbar (85%)

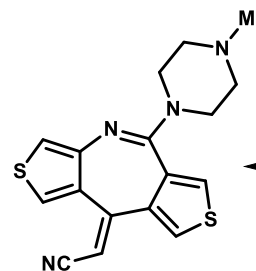
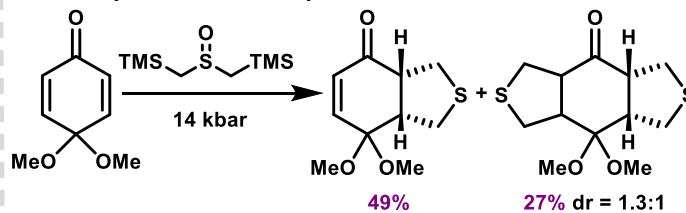
Cyclosmenospongine

Applications of Sulfur Ylides in Total Synthesis (*extremely limited*)

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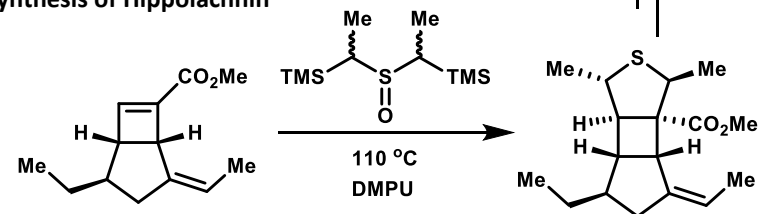
## Formal Synthesis of Tenilapine



Tenilapine  
[psychoactive]

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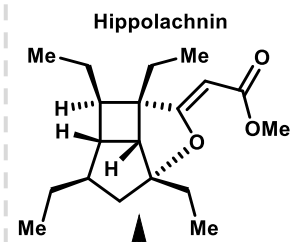
## Synthesis of Hippolachnin



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**Best Resource:** *Science of Synthesis* **2004**, 27, 21  
Also: See Baran Lab GM on Sulfur Ylide Chemistry

NGB 4420  
[dopamine D<sub>4</sub> receptor]



Hippolachnin  
4 Steps