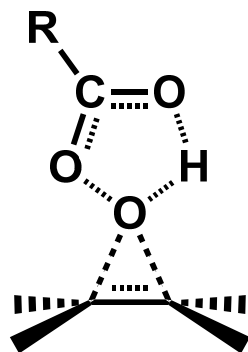
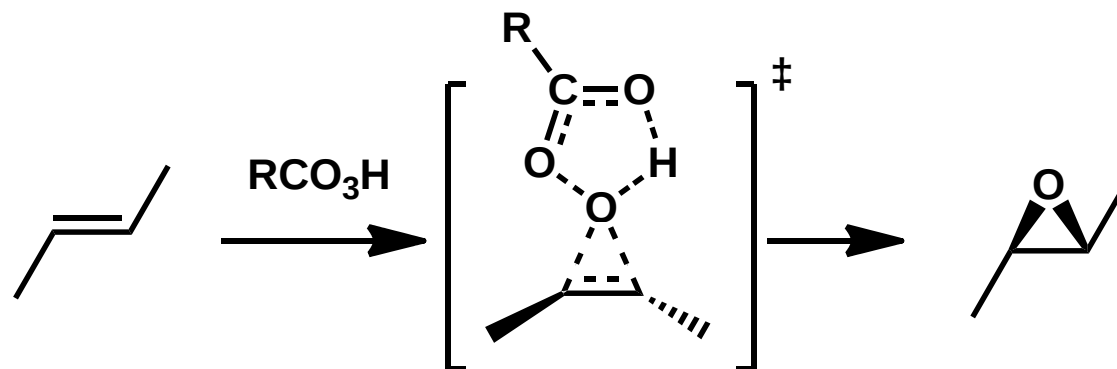
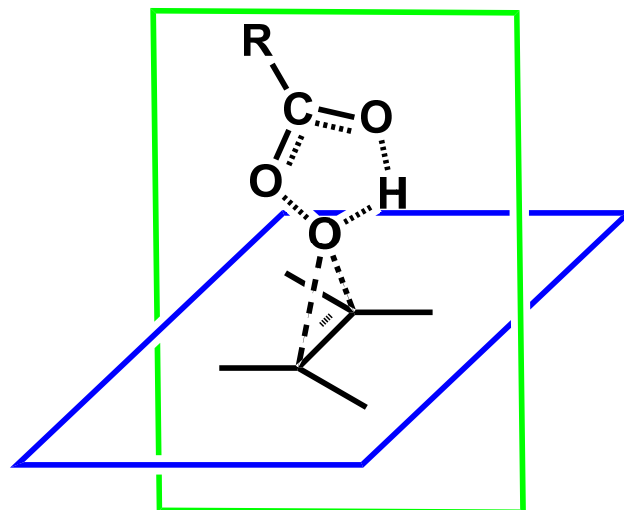


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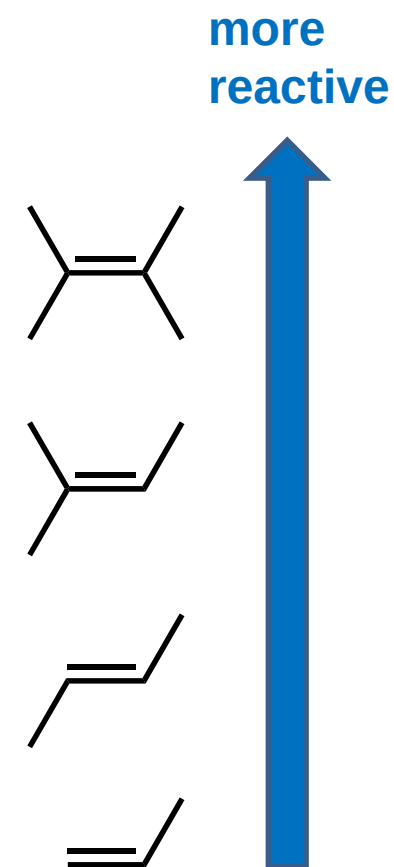


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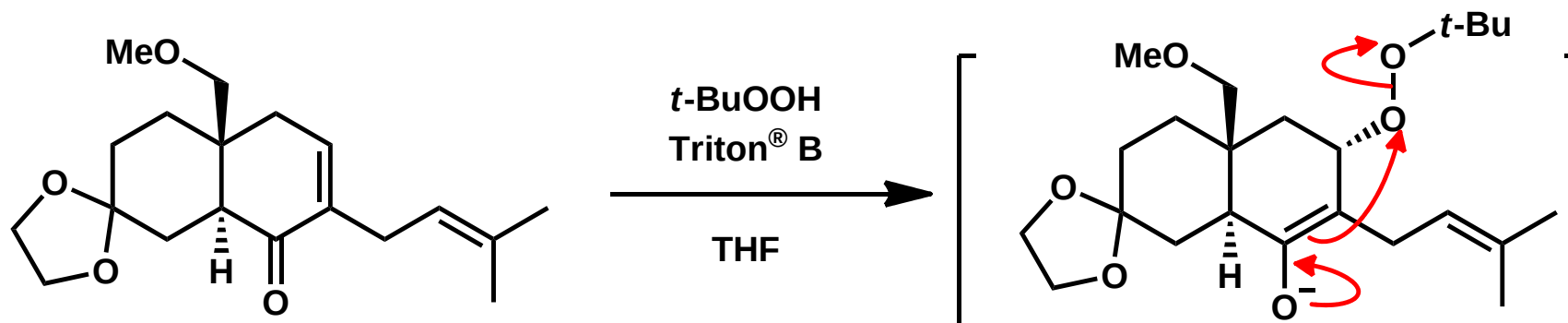


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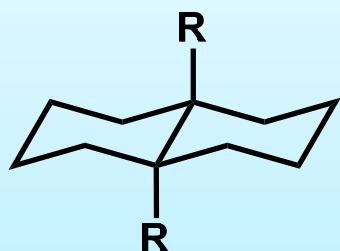


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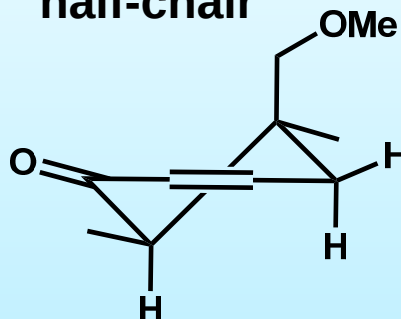


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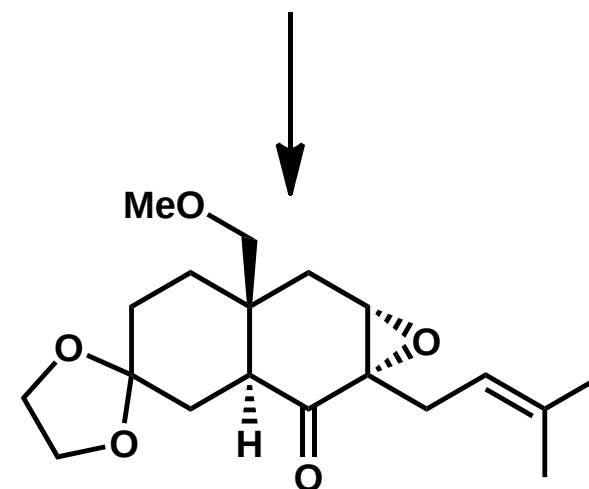
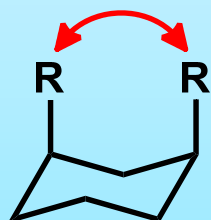
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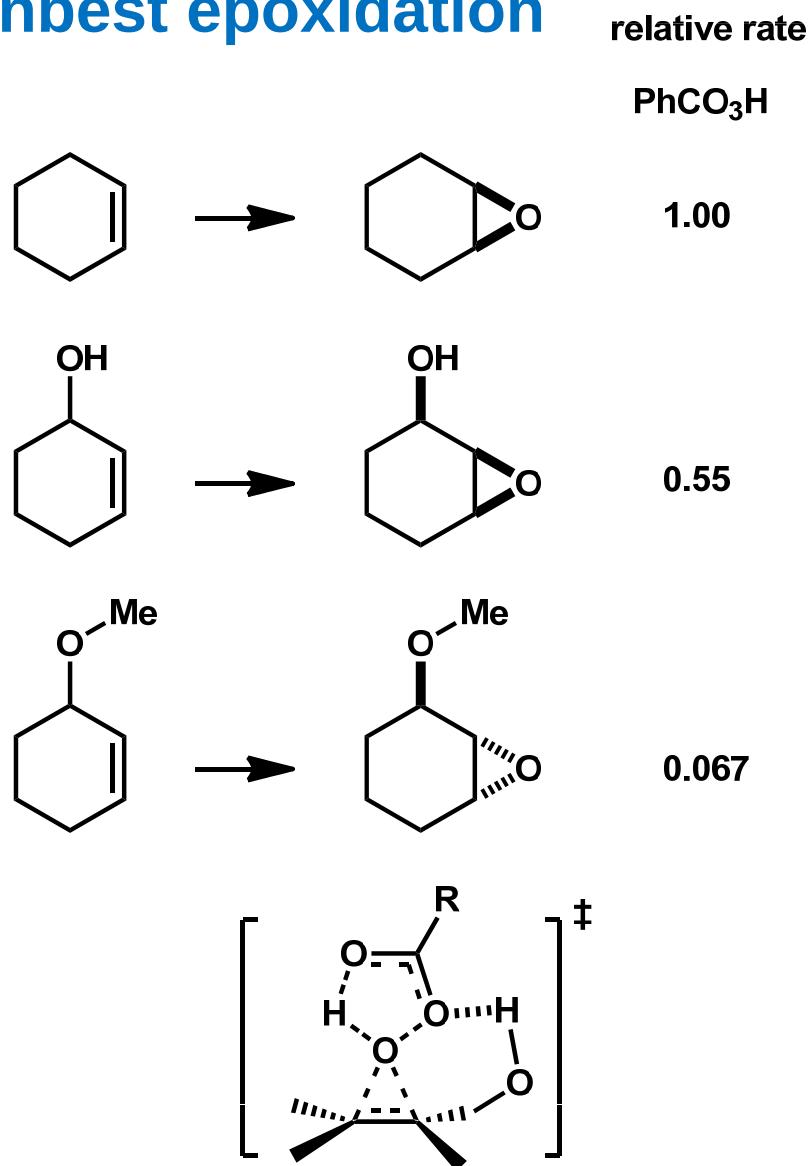


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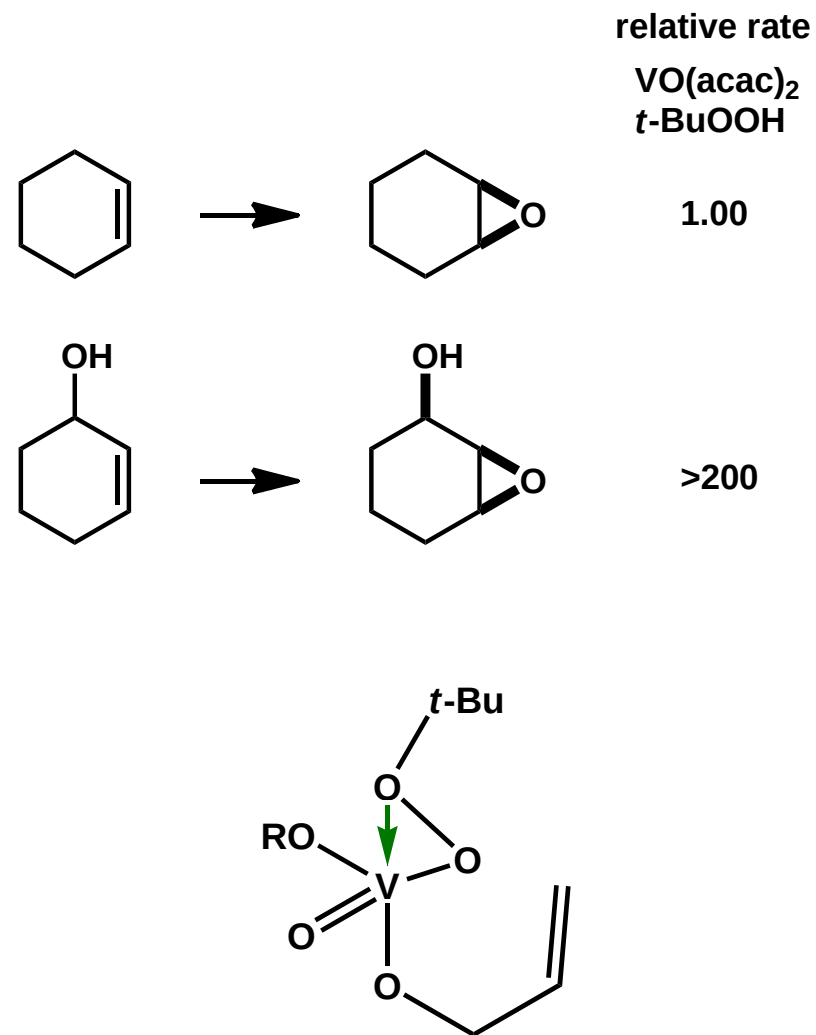


Epoxidation of Allyl Alcohols

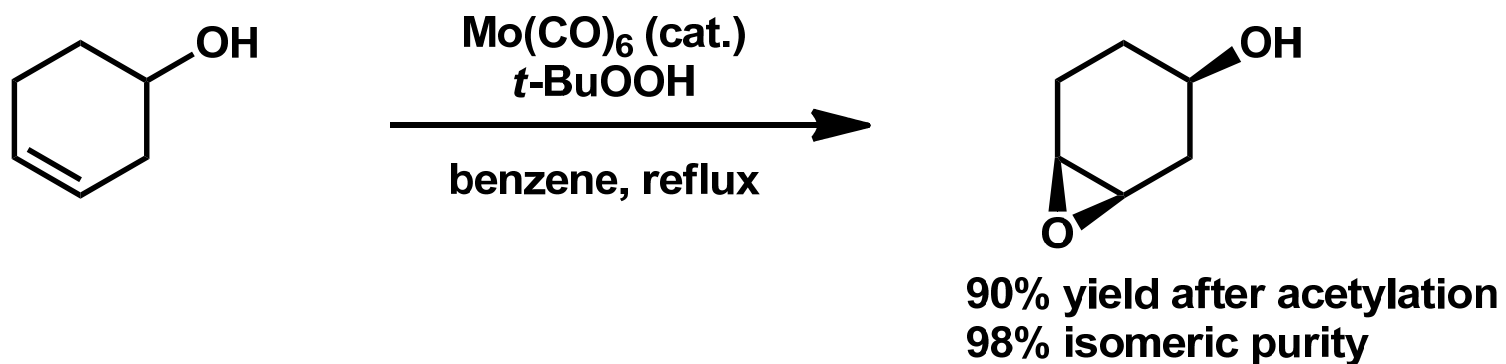
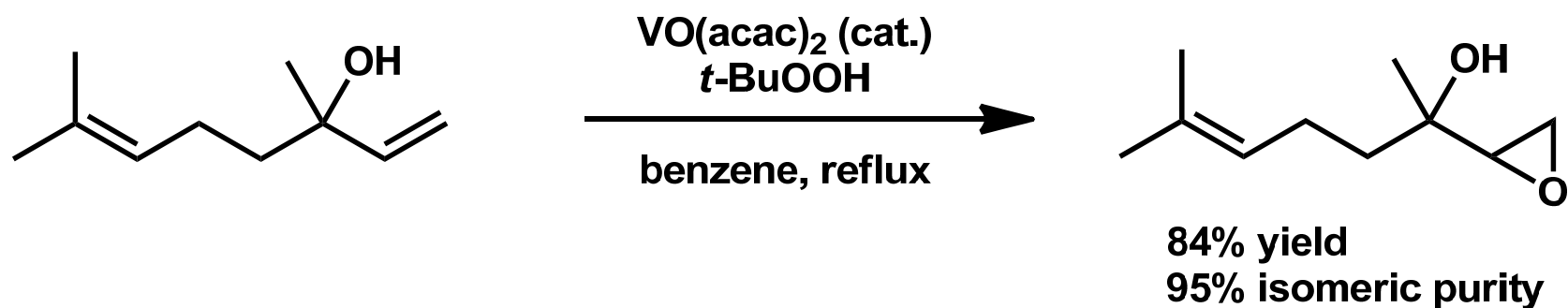
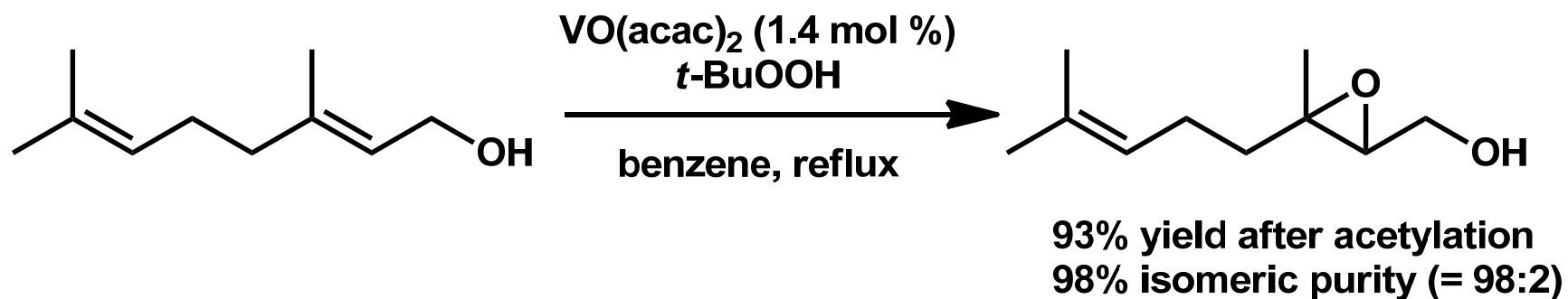
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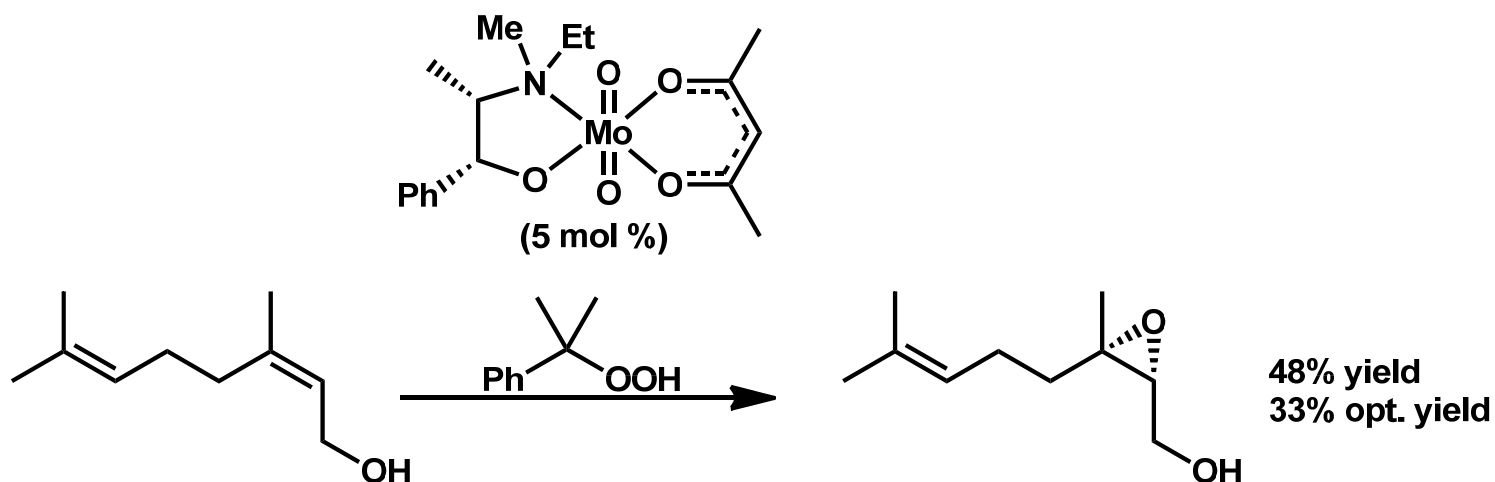
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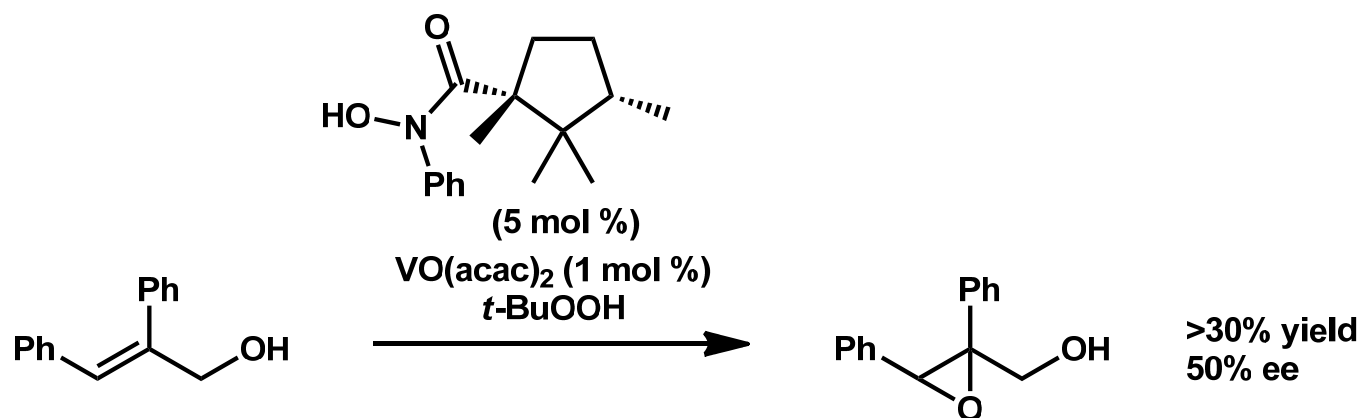
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Early Examples of Asymmetric Epoxidation of Allyl Alcohols

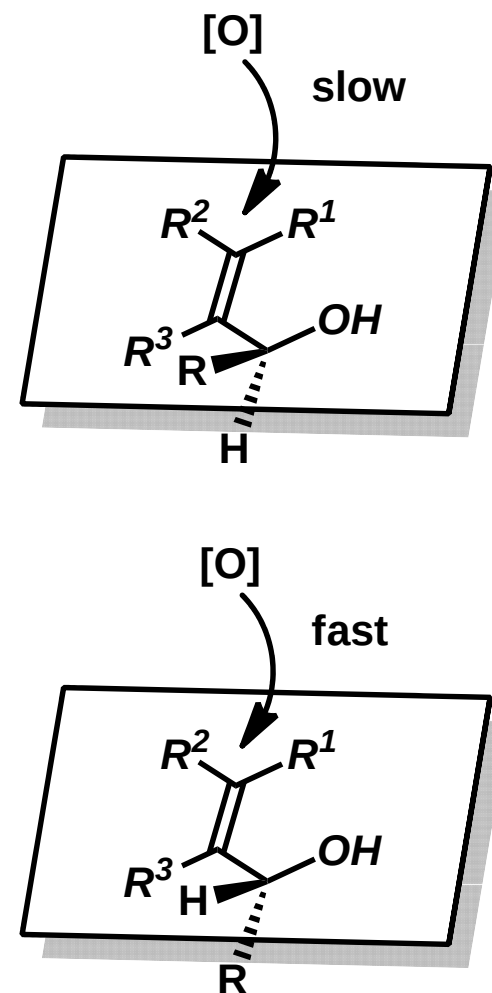
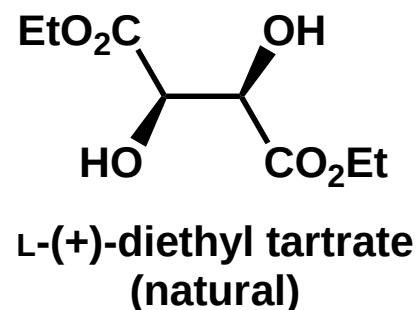
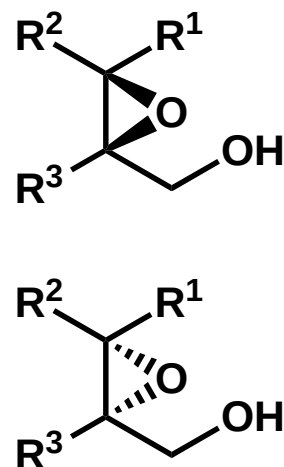
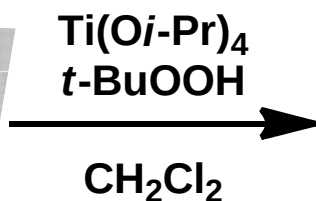
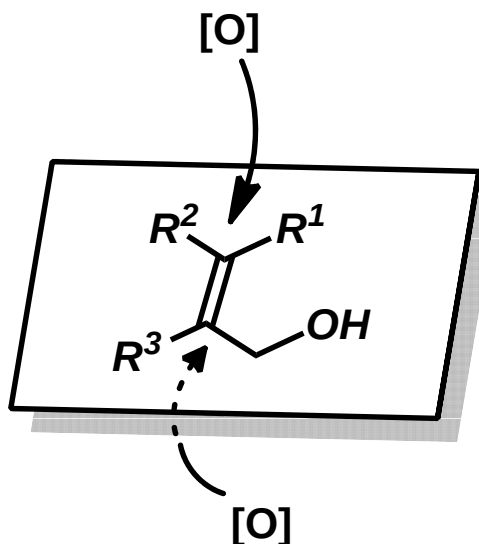
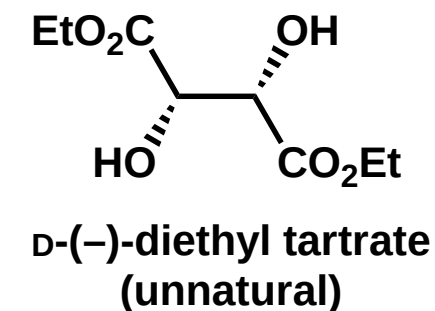


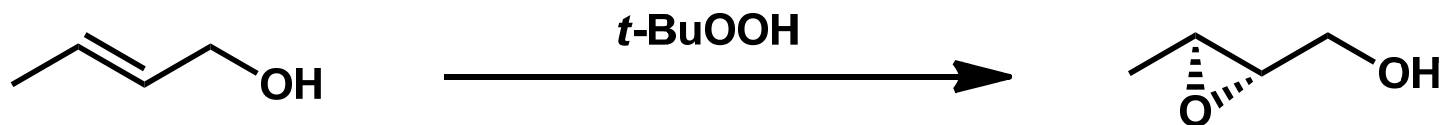
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Essence of Sharpless Asymmetric Epoxidation





$\text{Ti}(\text{O}i\text{-Pr})_4$ (1 equiv), (+)-DIPT (1 equiv)

40% yield, 95% ee

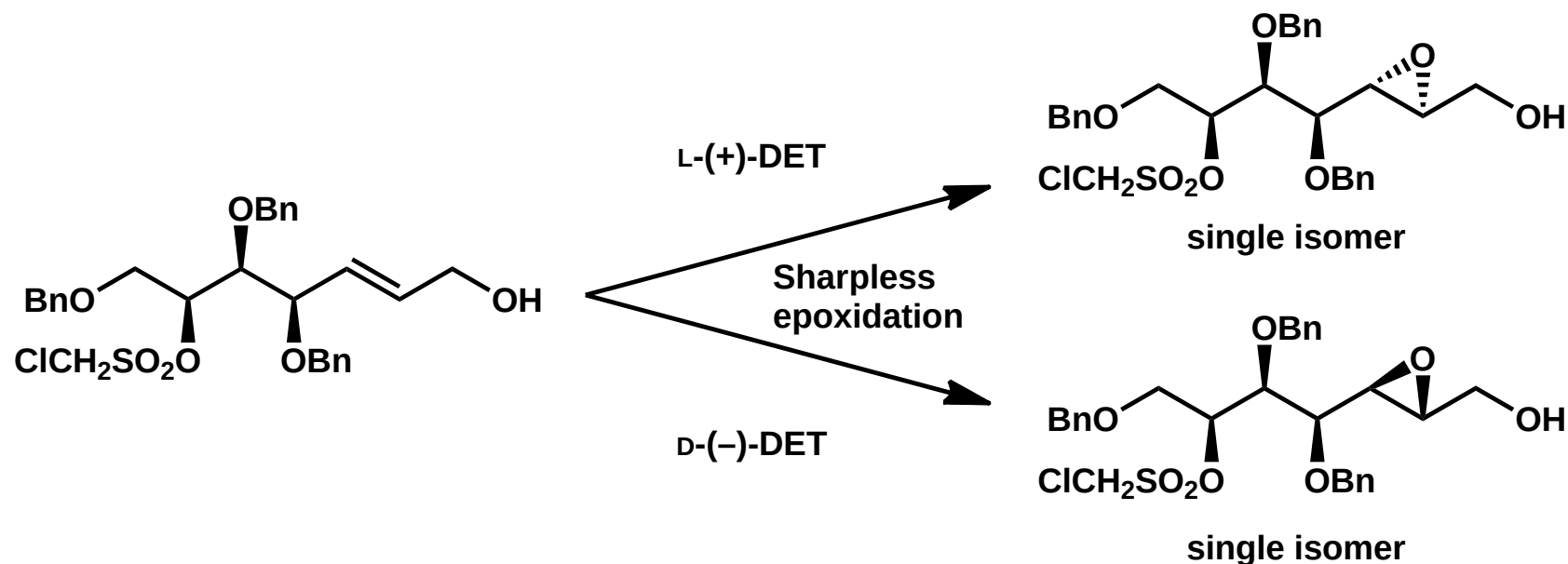
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70% yield, 91% ee

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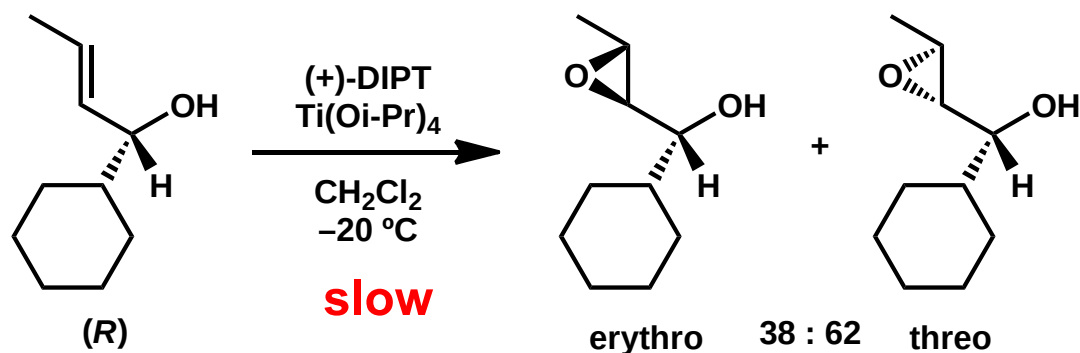
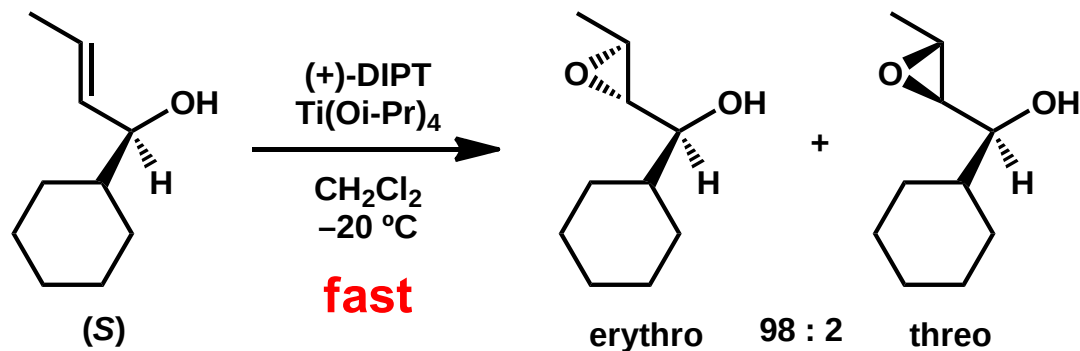
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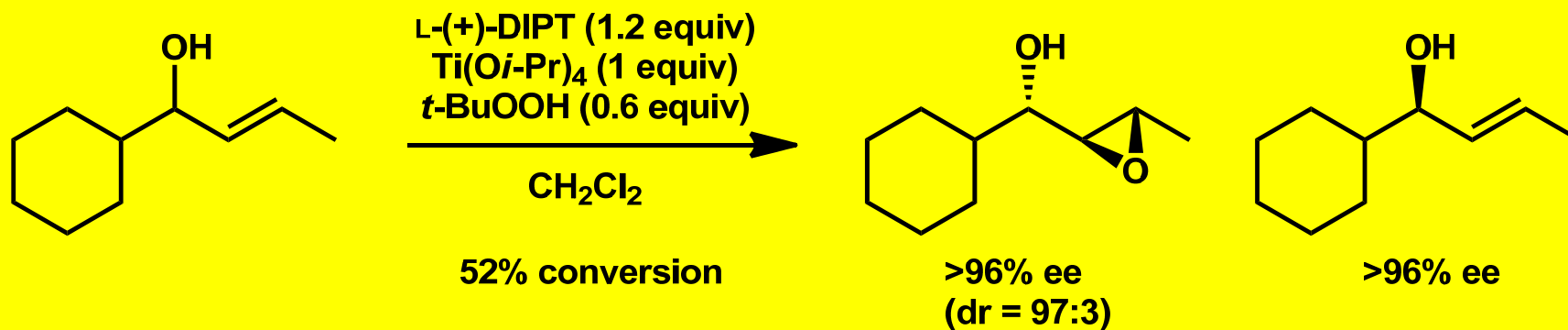


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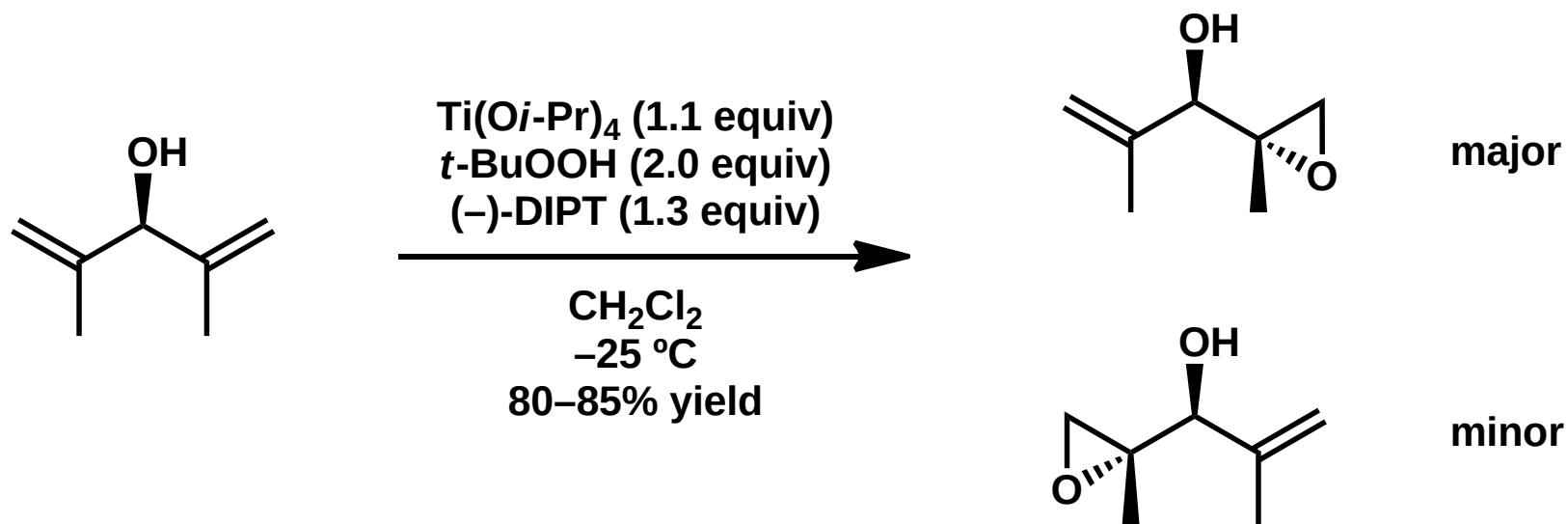
Kinetic Resolution of Racemic Allylic Alcohols



$$k_{\text{fast}}/k_{\text{slow}} = 104$$



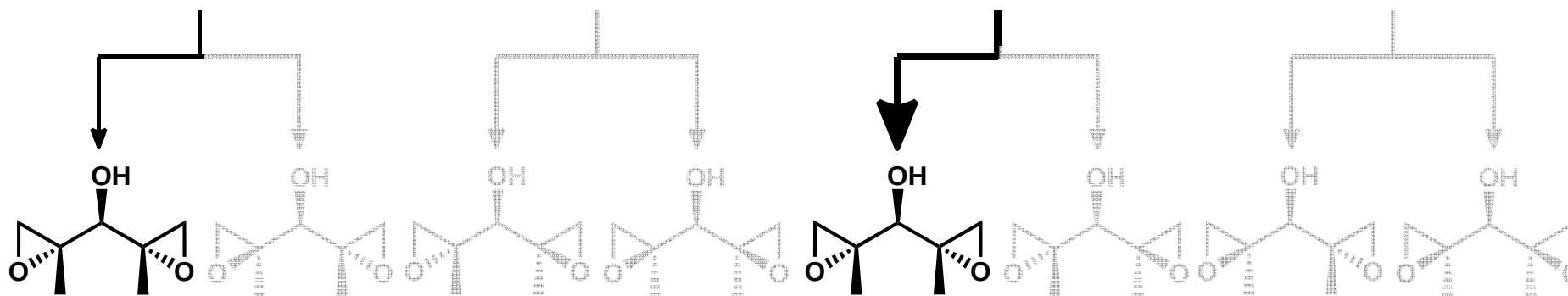
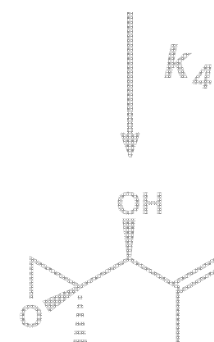
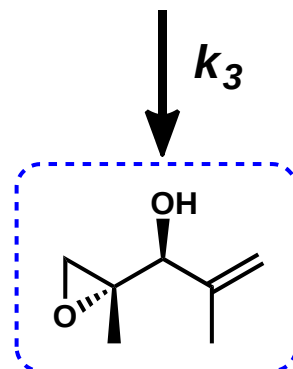
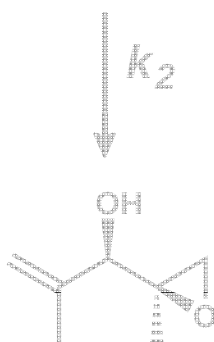
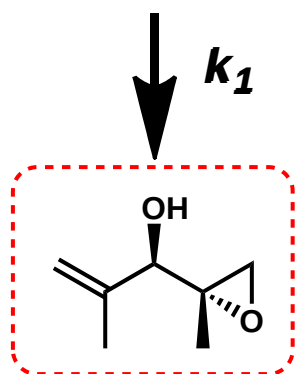
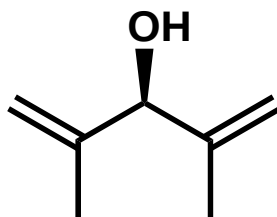
Combination of asymmetric synthesis and kinetic resolution can deliver products with very high ee.



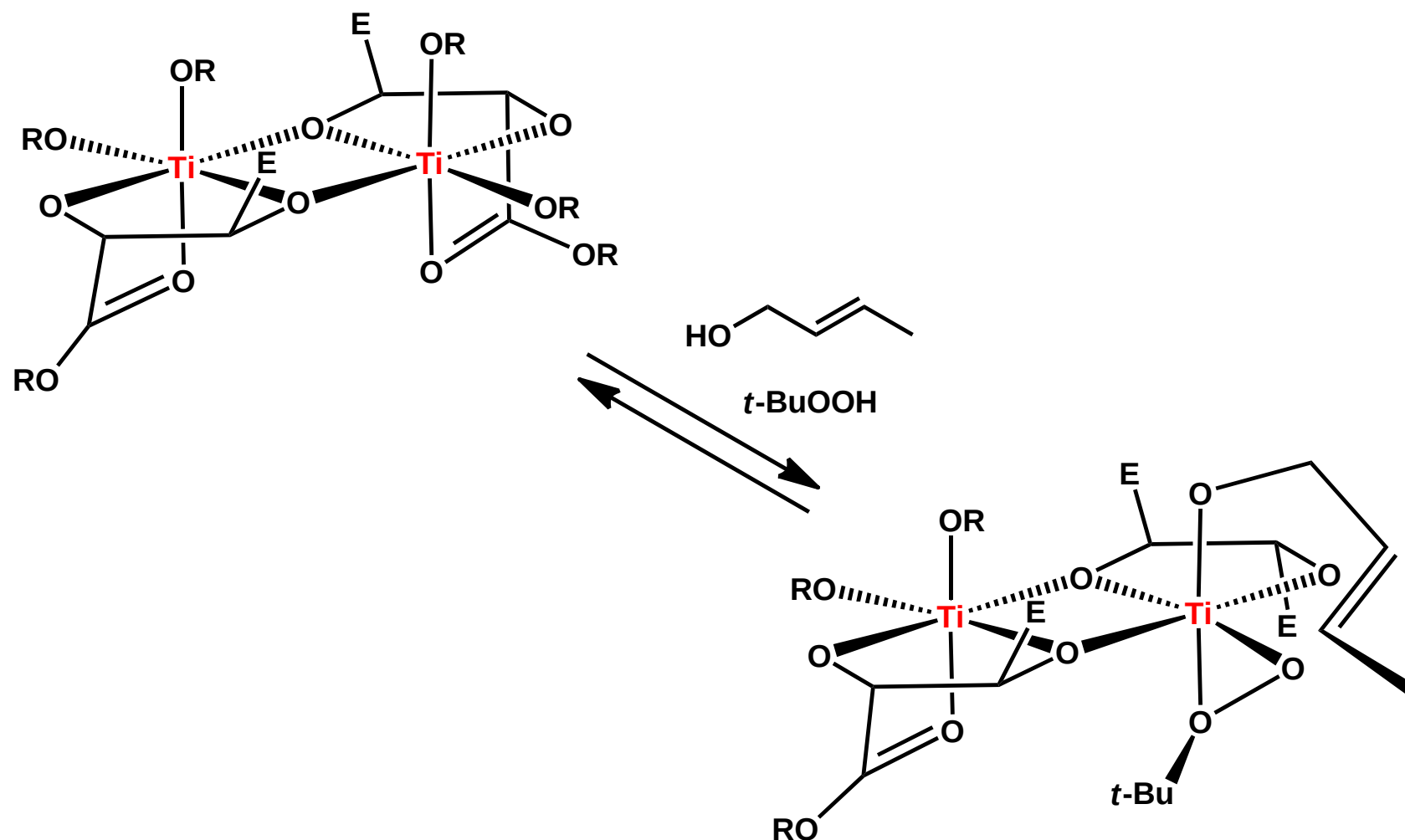
0.5 h: 88% ee

1 h : 94% ee

1.5 h: >99.3% ee



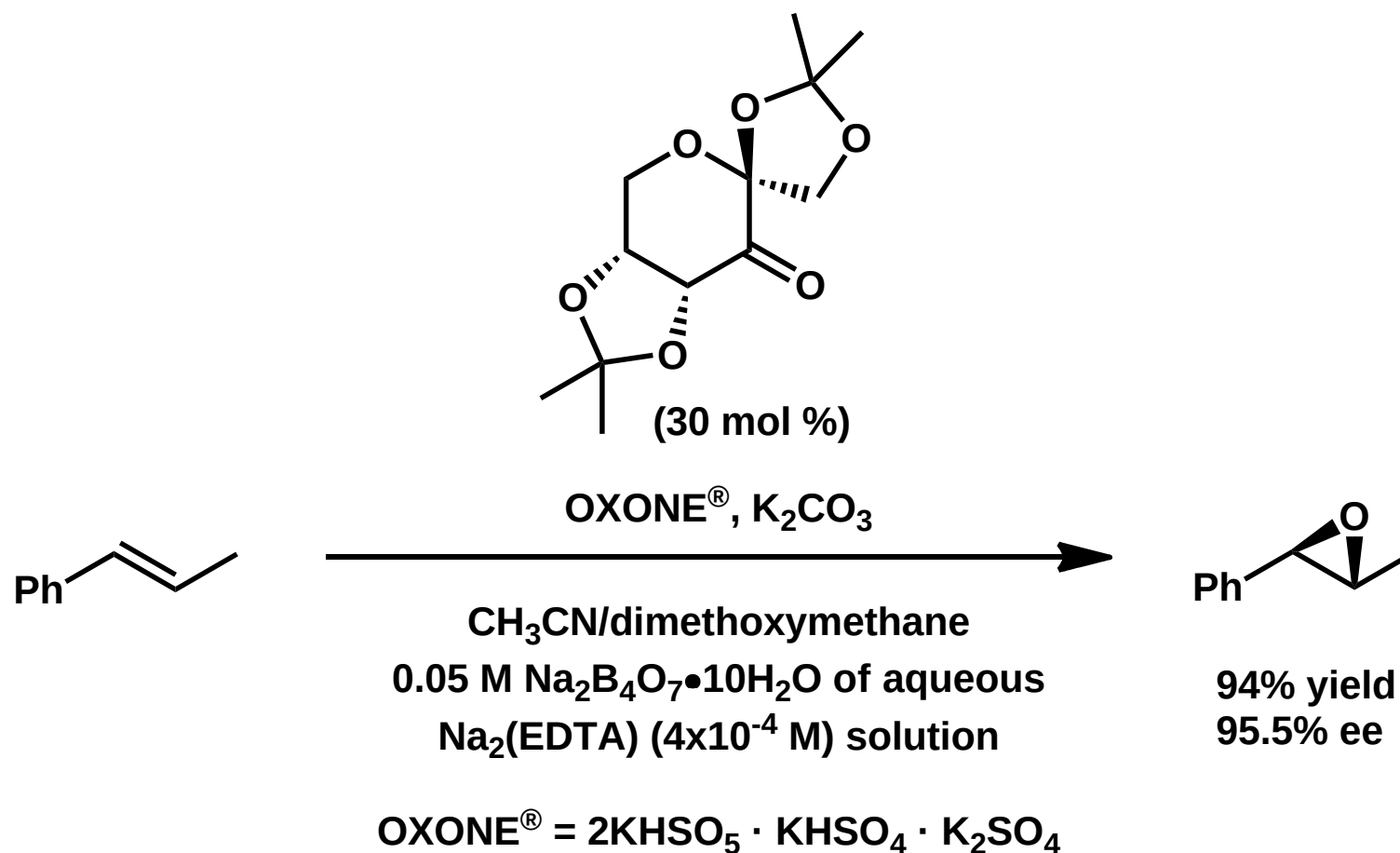
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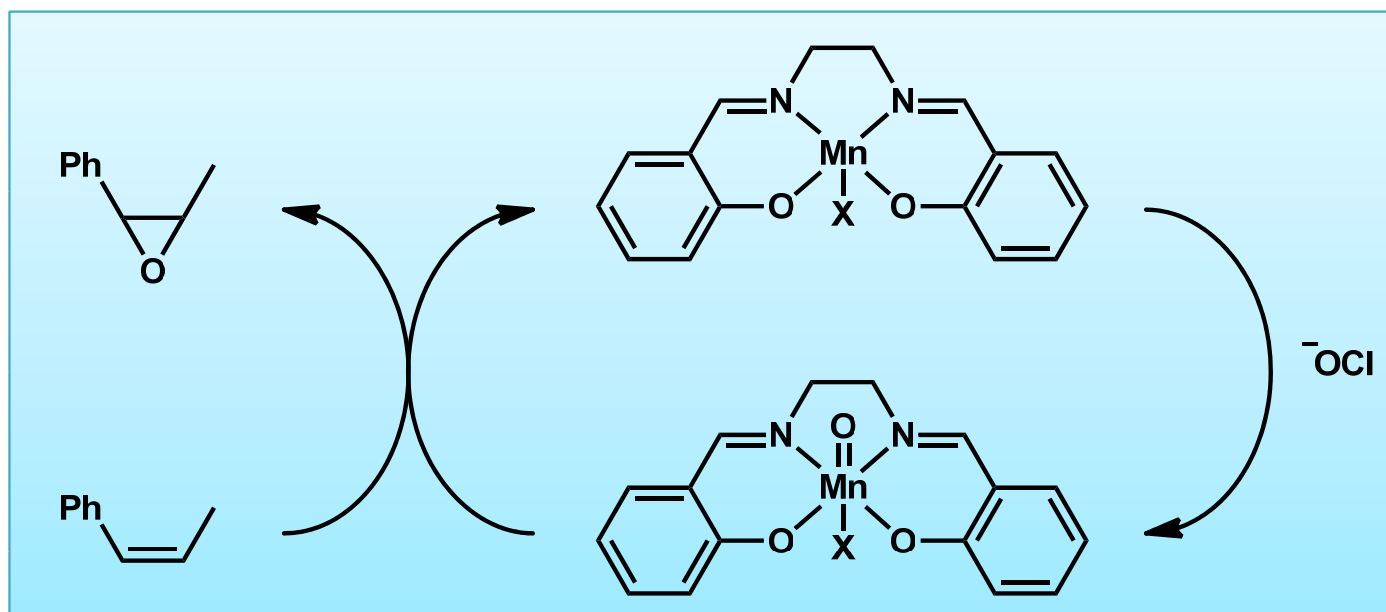
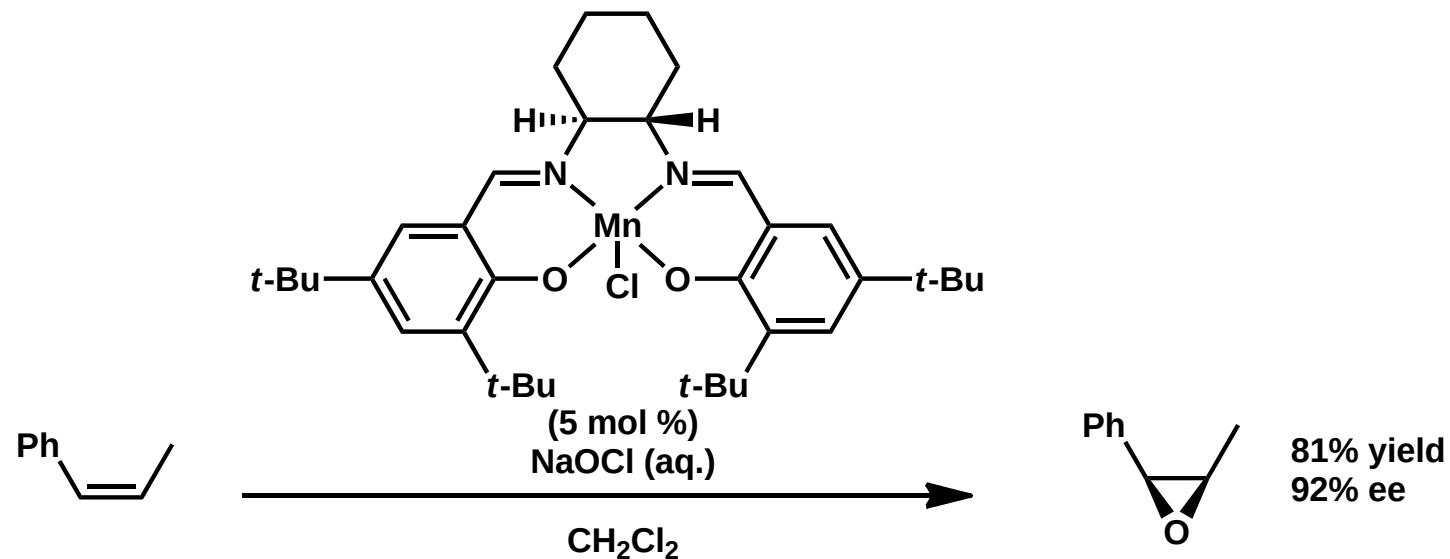
Asymmetric Epoxidation of Unfunctionalized Olefins



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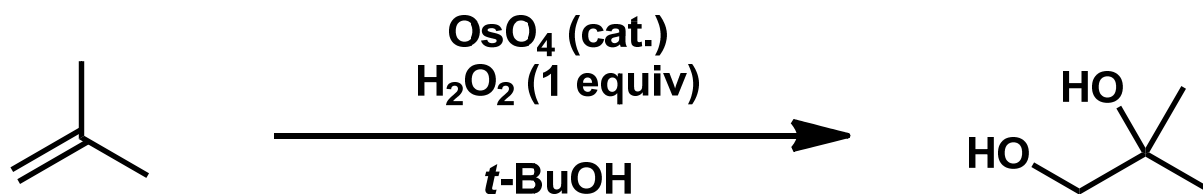
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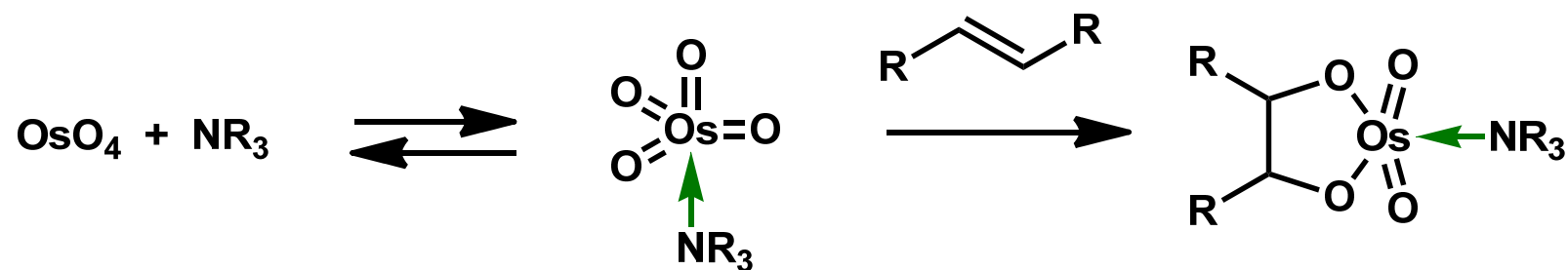
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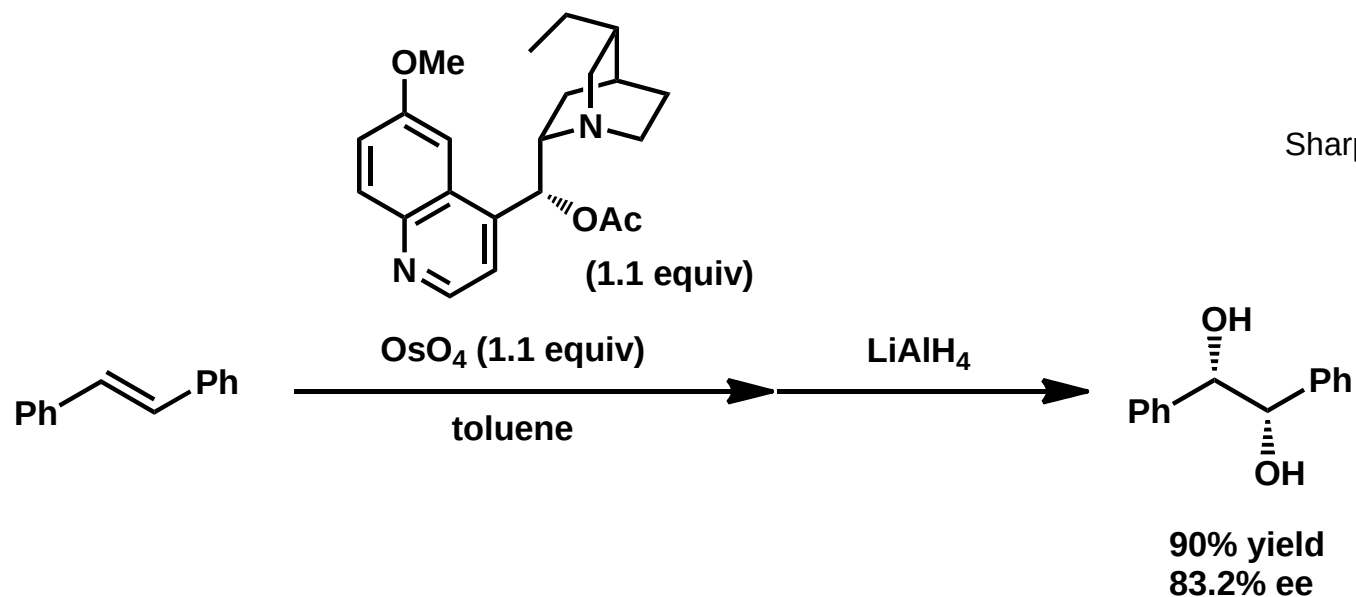
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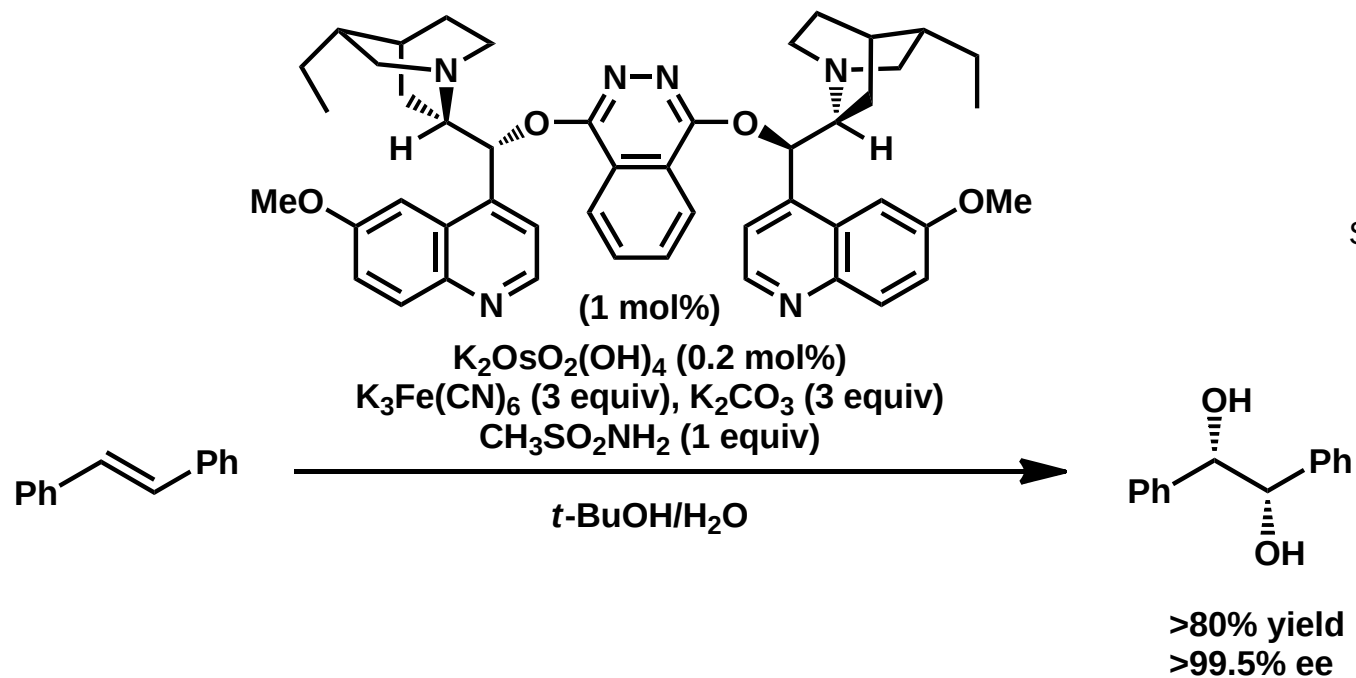


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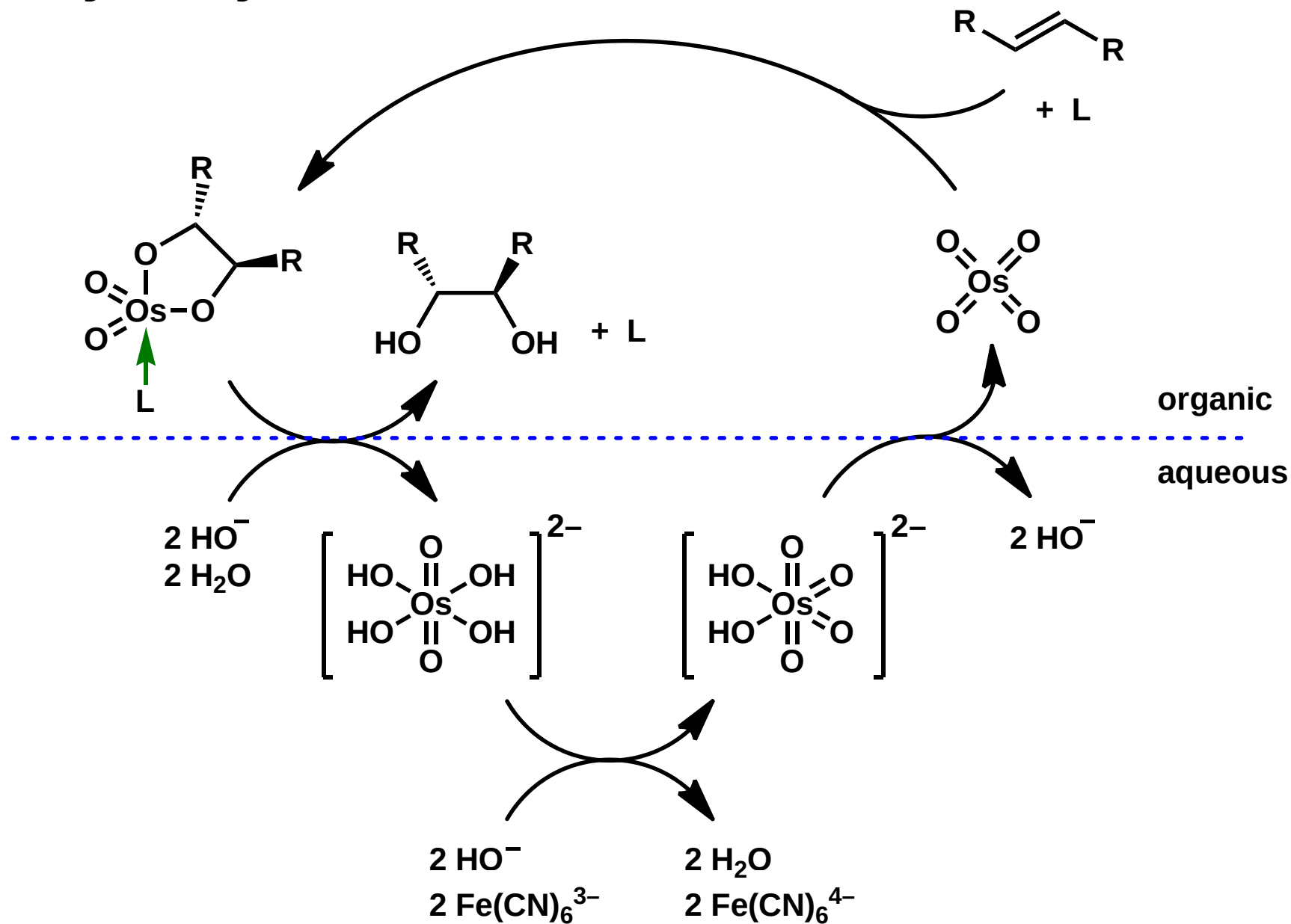


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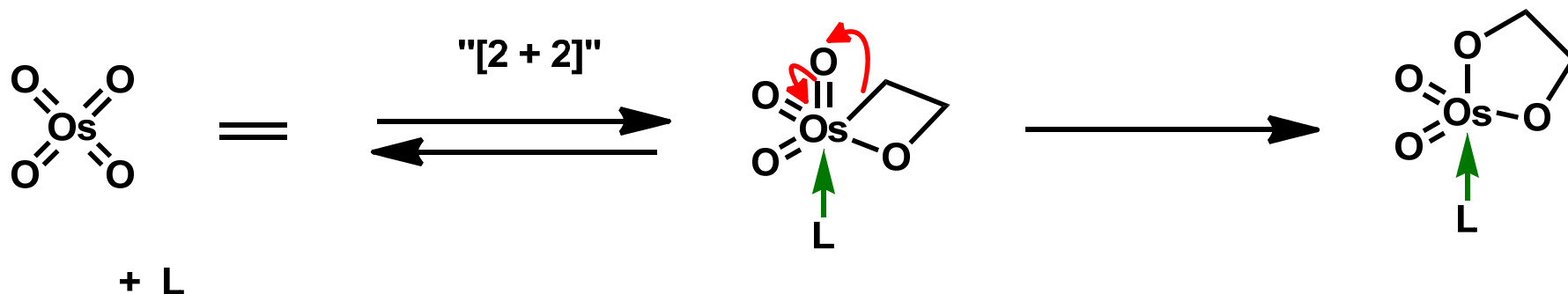
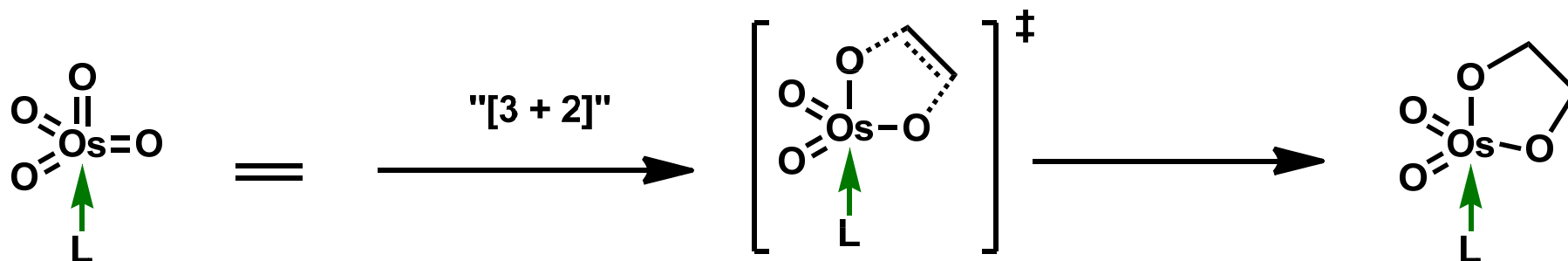


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