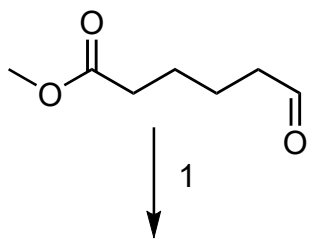


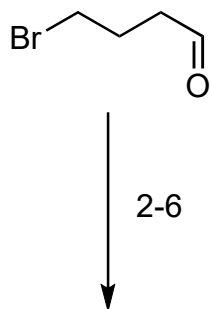
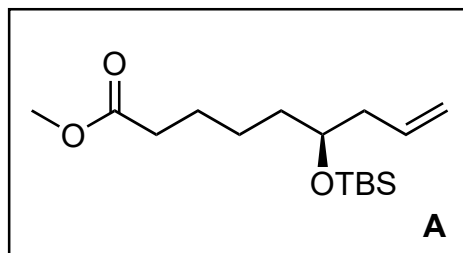
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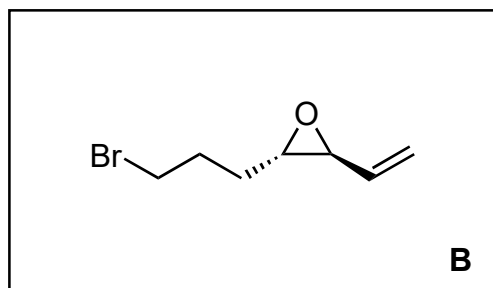
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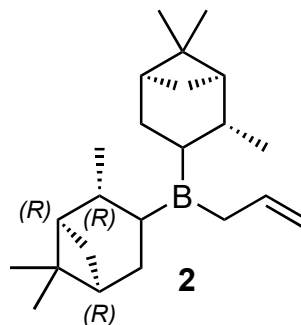
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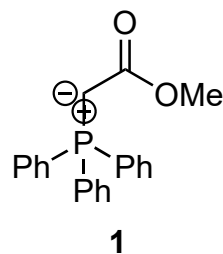
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1) **2**, -78 °C, 2 h then  
TBSCl, imidazole, DCM, DMAP



2) **1**, THF  
3) DIBAL  
4) (R, R)-Diethyltartrat, (+)-DET,  
Ti(O<sup>i</sup>Pr)<sub>4</sub>, <sup>t</sup>BuOOH  
5) (COCl)<sub>2</sub>, DMSO, NEt<sub>3</sub>  
6) Me<sup>+</sup>PPh<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>, NaHMDS, THF



Using a boran reagent, how would you accomplish this transformation?

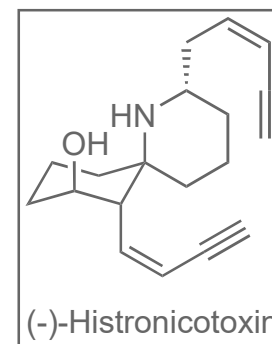
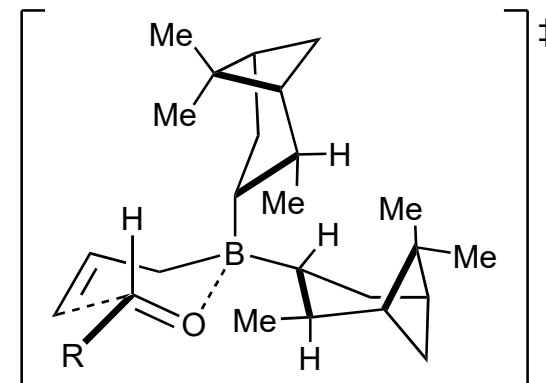
What model would be used to predict the stereochemistry? →

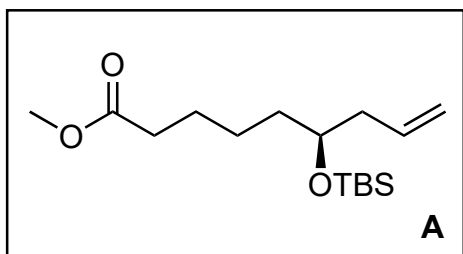
Name of step 1?

**Brown Allylation**

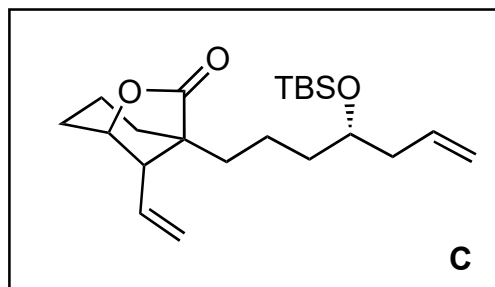
- How do you make the catalyst?

- BH<sub>3</sub> reduction of (+)-alpha-pinene

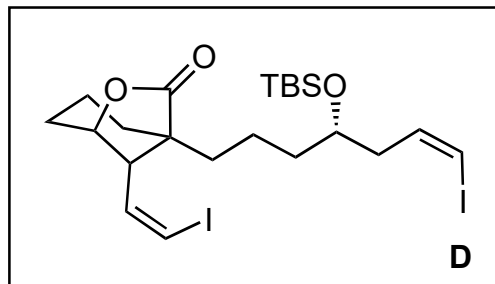




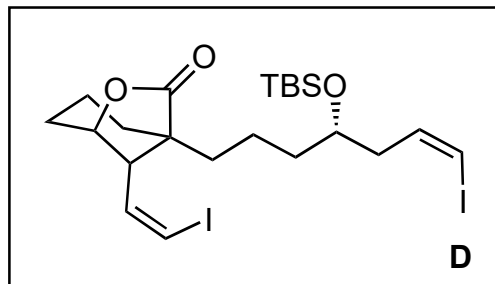
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7) LDA, -78 °C, HMPA/THF (6:11 v/v), **B**  
then LDA, -78 °C, 2 h

8) O<sub>3</sub>, then PPh<sub>3</sub>  
9) (Ph<sub>3</sub>P<sup>+</sup>CH<sub>2</sub>I)<sup>-</sup>, NaN(TMS)<sub>2</sub>

10) 5% HCl, THF  
11) Ph<sub>3</sub>P, CBr<sub>4</sub>, ether  
12) NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, AlMe<sub>3</sub>, PhH, 40 °C  
13) AcO<sub>2</sub>, Py, DMAP  
14) (CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>IPh, MeCN, H<sub>2</sub>O  
15) Et<sub>3</sub>N, DCE, 70 °C

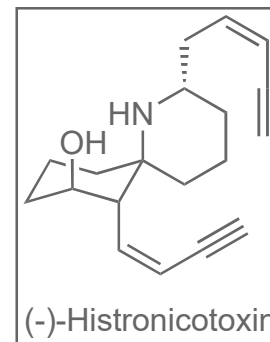
What is the mechanism of step 7?  
Explain the selectivity.

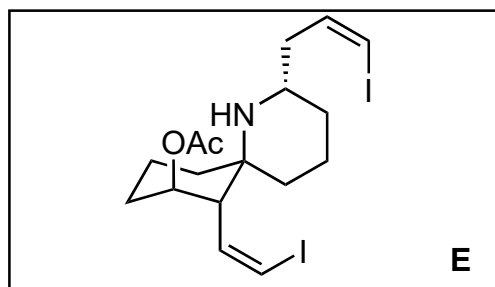
What is the name of step 9 and its  
mechanism  
**Stork - Zhao**

*hint:* our colleague runs this reaction in  
complete darkness.

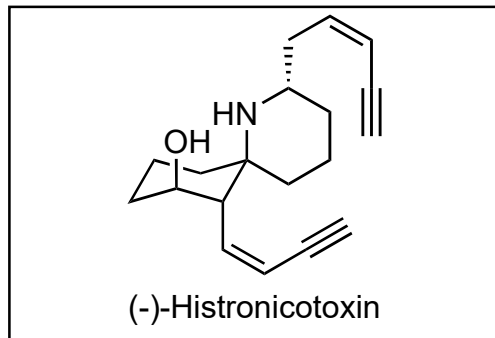
*bigger hint:* Look at the authors of this  
paper

What is the name of NaN(TMS)<sub>2</sub>  
**NaHMDS (old lit may use this name)**



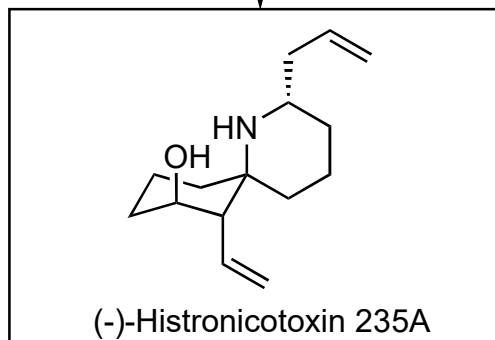


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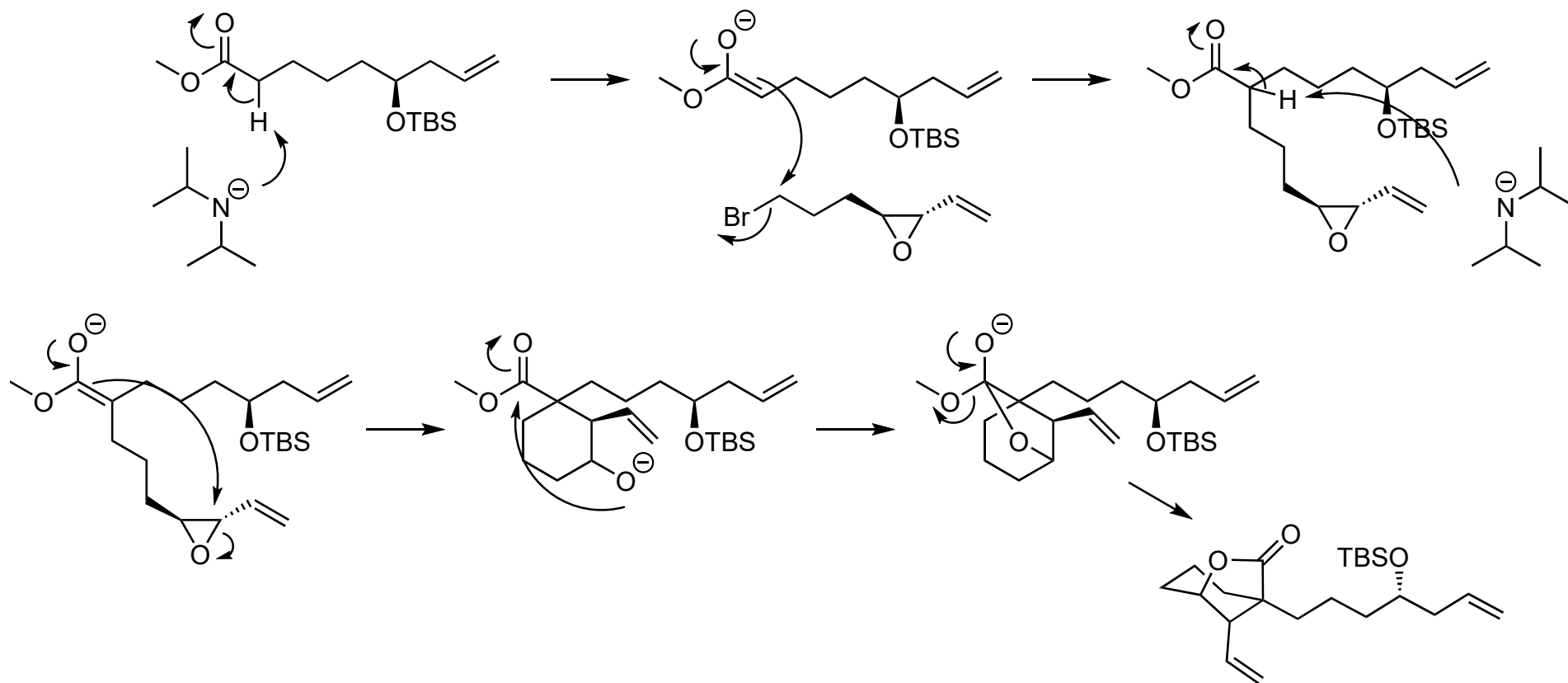
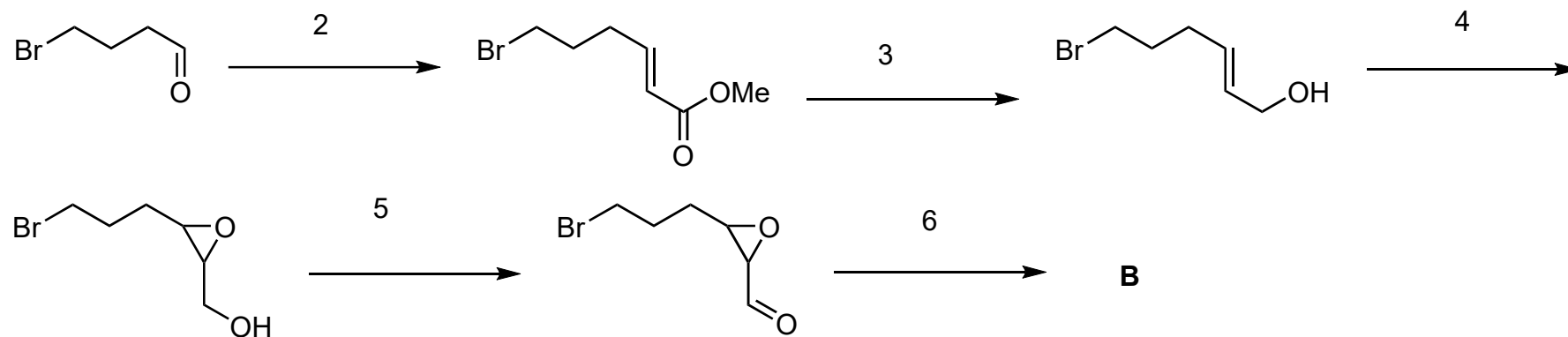
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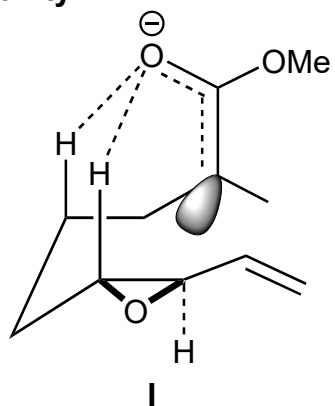


- 16) Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, CuI, PhH, TMS-acetylene  
 17) Bu<sub>4</sub>N<sup>+</sup>F<sup>-</sup>  
 18) K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, MeOH

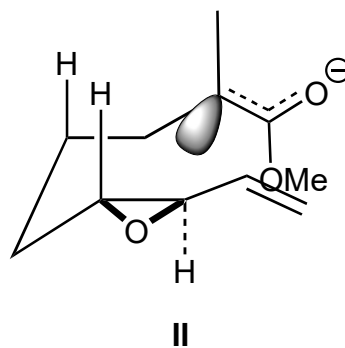
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 25) MeOH, Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> (aq)



## Selectivity



disfavored



favored

Sterically strained

- Carbocation must remain perpendicular to carbonyl to open epoxide
- Avoid 1,3-diaxial interactions with TS II
- Authors argue this resembles that of a <sup>t</sup>Bu group.