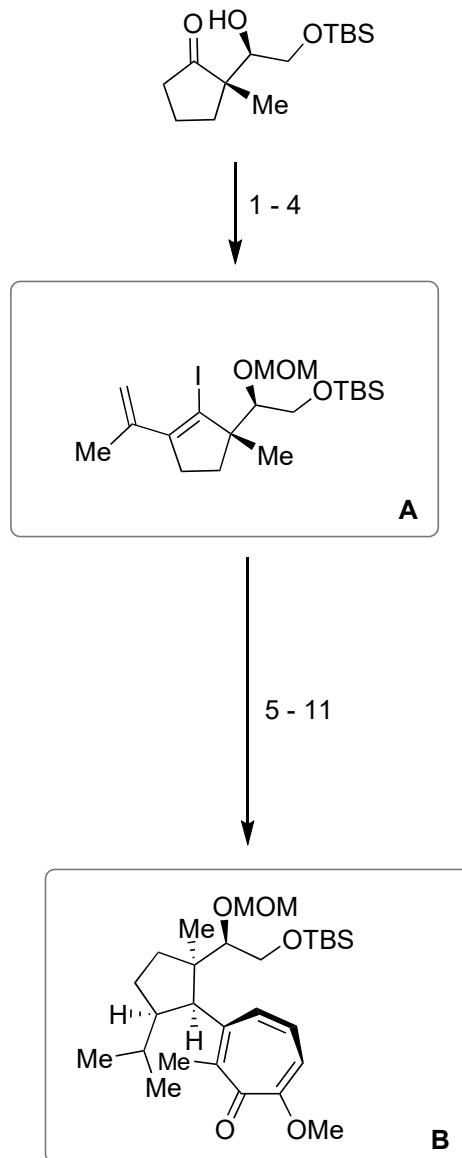


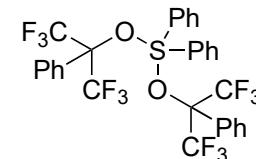
# Total Synthesis of Gukulenin B via Sequential Tropolone Functionalizations

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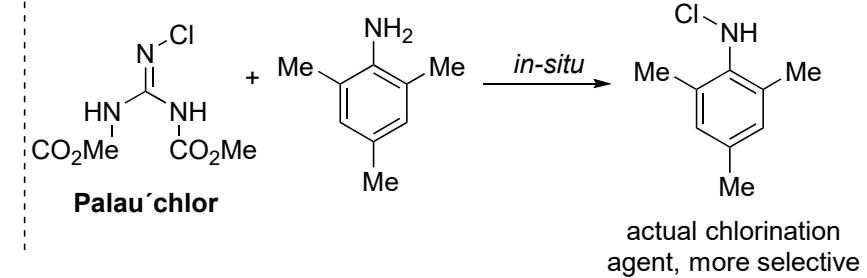
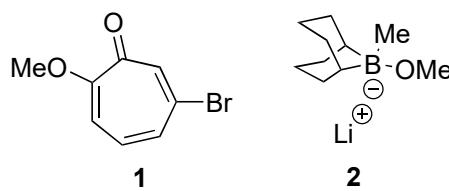
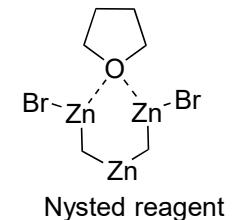
- 1) MOMCl  
 2) TsNNHNH<sub>2</sub>, MgSO<sub>4</sub>  
 3) *n*-BuLi then acetone then  
*n*-BuLi then I<sub>2</sub>  
 4) Martin sulfurane

- 2) + 3) Name of the reaction?  
 Shapiro reaction  
 4) Martin sulfurane structure?



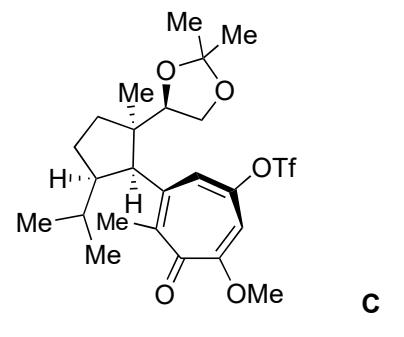
- 5) *t*-Buli, ZnCl<sub>2</sub> then 1, Pd<sub>2</sub>(dba)<sub>3</sub>,  
 RuPhos, LiCl  
 6) OsO<sub>4</sub>, NaIO<sub>4</sub>, 2,6-lutidine  
 7) H<sub>2</sub>, Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub>/C  
 8) Nysted reagent,  
 9) H<sub>2</sub>, Crabtree's catalyst BAr<sub>F</sub>  
 analogue  
 10) Palau'chlor,  
 2,4,6-trimethylaniline (cat.)  
 11) 2, SPhos-Pd-G4

- 5) Name of the reaction?  
 Negishi coupling  
 7) Name of the catalyst?  
 Pearlman's catalyst  
 8) Structure of Nysted reagent?  
 9) Structure of Crabtree's catalyst  
 [Ir(PCy<sub>3</sub>)(py)(cod)]PF<sub>6</sub>  
 10) Structure of Palau'chlor?  
 Role of the 2,4,6-trimethylaniline?



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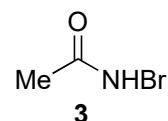
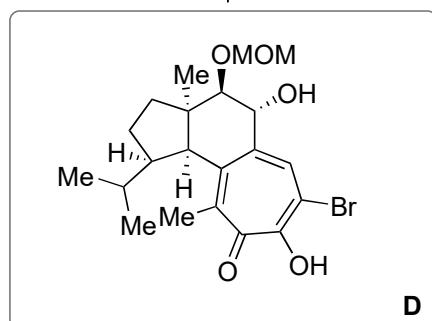
- 12) HCl, MeOH  
13) TsOH, Me<sub>2</sub>C(OMe)<sub>2</sub>  
14) [Ir(cod)(OMe)]<sub>2</sub>, dtbpy, B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>  
15) NaBO<sub>3</sub>  
16) Comins' reagent, Et<sub>3</sub>N



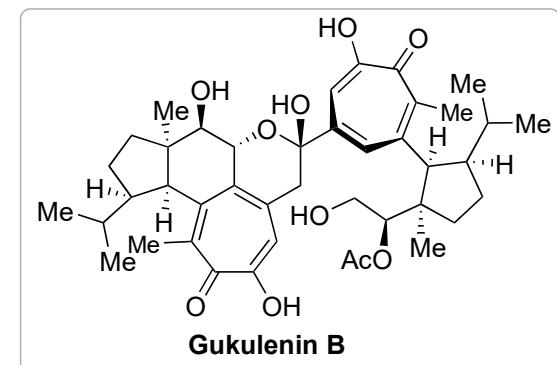
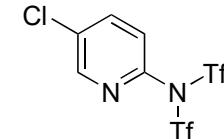
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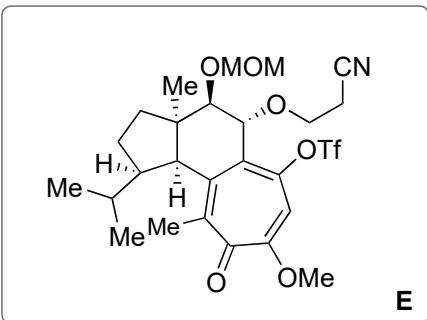
- 17) HCl, MeOH  
18) DMP  
19) MgBr<sub>2</sub>, THF, reflux  
20) **3**



16) Structure of Comins' reagent?



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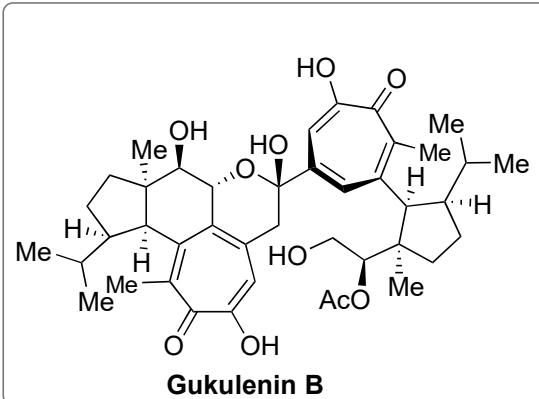


- 21) NaOBn (excess)  
22) Mel  
23) **4**, Cs<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>  
24) 1,4-cyclohexadiene, Pd/C  
25) Et<sub>3</sub>N, Comins' reagent

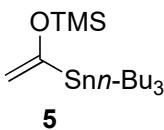


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- 26) **5**, Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, CuDPP  
27) **E**, Pd(Pt-Bu<sub>3</sub>), *n*-Bu<sub>3</sub>SnF  
28) KHMDS  
29) Me<sub>2</sub>BBr, DIPEA  
30) Yb(OTf)<sub>3</sub>, MeC(OMe)<sub>3</sub> *then* H<sub>2</sub>O  
31) MgI<sub>2</sub>



- 21) *hint* - 4 things happen  
2x deprotonation - Br elimination - OBn addition  
22) *hint* - selective mono-methylation