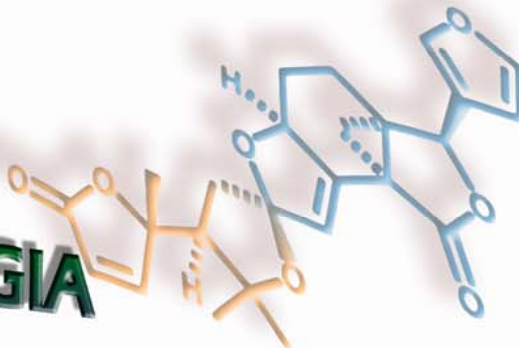


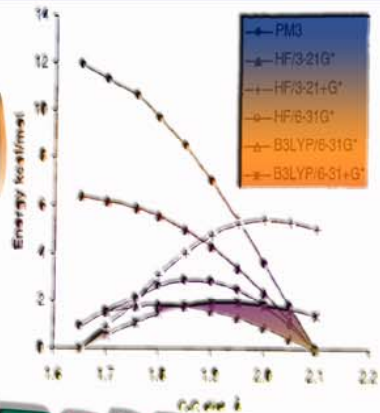
# ***Kem-4.450 Asymmetric Synthesis***

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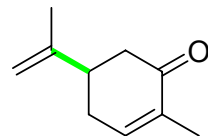
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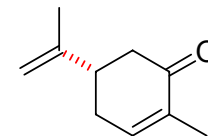
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# Chirality and Differing Properties

## Carvone

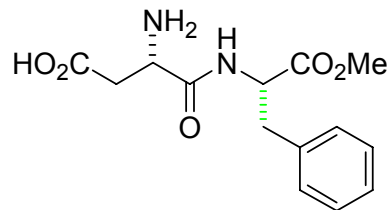


*spearmint odor*

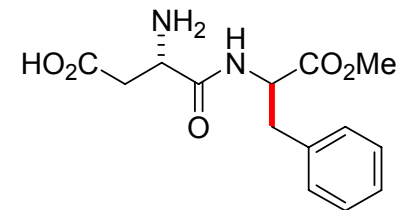


*caraway*

## Aspartame (NutraSweet)

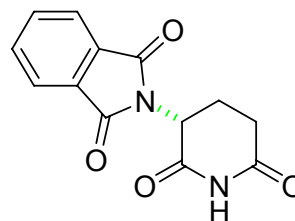


*sweet*

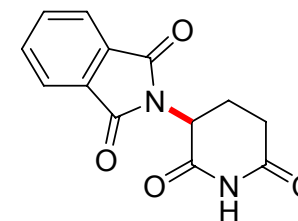


*bitter*

## Thalidomide



*sedative, hypnotic*



*teratogenic*



# *Pharmaceuticals*

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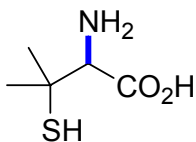
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- ◆ **Growing need for enantiopure compounds**
- ◆ **Enantiomers/diastereomers may have adverse effects**
- ◆ **Diastereomers usually easier to separate**
- ◆ **Enantiomers: FDA required**

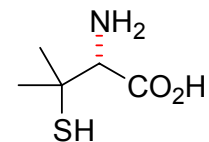


# Pharmaceuticals

Penicillamine:

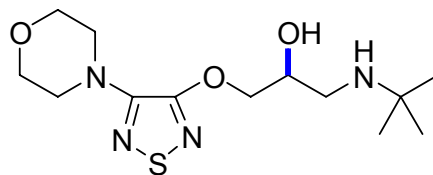


antidote for Pb, Au, Hg

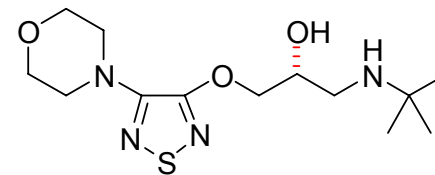


can cause optic atrophy => blindness

Timolol:



adrenergic blocker



ineffective



# Sales of Enantiomeric Drugs and Intermediates

\$ MILLIONS	ENANTIOMERIC INTERMEDIATES			BULK ENANTIOMERIC DRUGS		
	1999	2000	2005	1999	2000	2005
Anti-inflammatory/analgesics	\$150	\$156	\$168	\$200	\$223	\$241
Antiviral	794	830	1,643	983	1,180	2,054
Cancer	892	1,073	1,297	1,783	2,146	2,593
Cardiovascular	1,133	2,281	3,269	1,889	3,802	5,449
Central nervous system	1,038	1,142	1,821	1,483	1,632	2,602
Dermatology	82	85	106	164	170	212
Gastrointestinal	251	331	649	413	567	1,082
Ophthalmic	238	284	401	340	405	573
Respiratory	576	656	914	1,151	1,511	2,287
Other	140	170	356	315	426	891
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$5,294</b>	<b>\$7,008</b>	<b>\$10,624</b>	<b>\$8,721</b>	<b>\$12,062</b>	<b>\$17,984</b>
<b>SOURCE:</b> Technology Catalysts International						

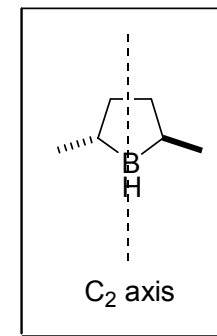
*Chem. Eng. News* **2001**, 79 (40), 79-97.



# Asymmetric Induction - Definitions

- Chirality** - handedness  
**Asymmetry** - lacking all symmetry (except E)  
**Dissymmetry** - lacking some element of symmetry

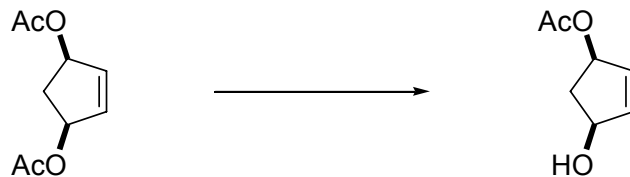
**NB!!!** Molecules can be chiral but not asymmetric! e.g.



**Asymmetric Induction (A.I.) - process that breaks (local) mirror symmetry**



*A.I. if not 1:1*



Prostaglandin synthesis intermediate  
Danishefsky, S.J. *JACS* **1989**, *111*, 3456.



# Specificity vs Selectivity

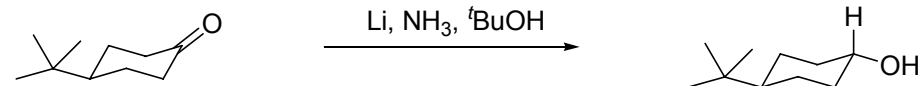
## SPECIFICITY

- non-statistical outcome of reaction
- **mechanism based**

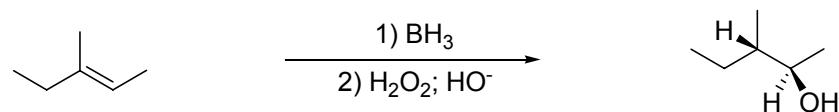
## SELECTIVITY

- product determined by thermodynamics (product stability OR rates)

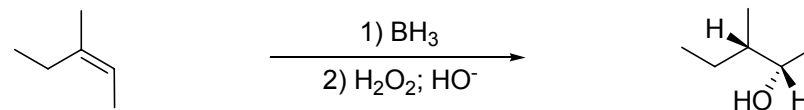
SELECTIVE PROCESS:



SPECIFIC PROCESS:

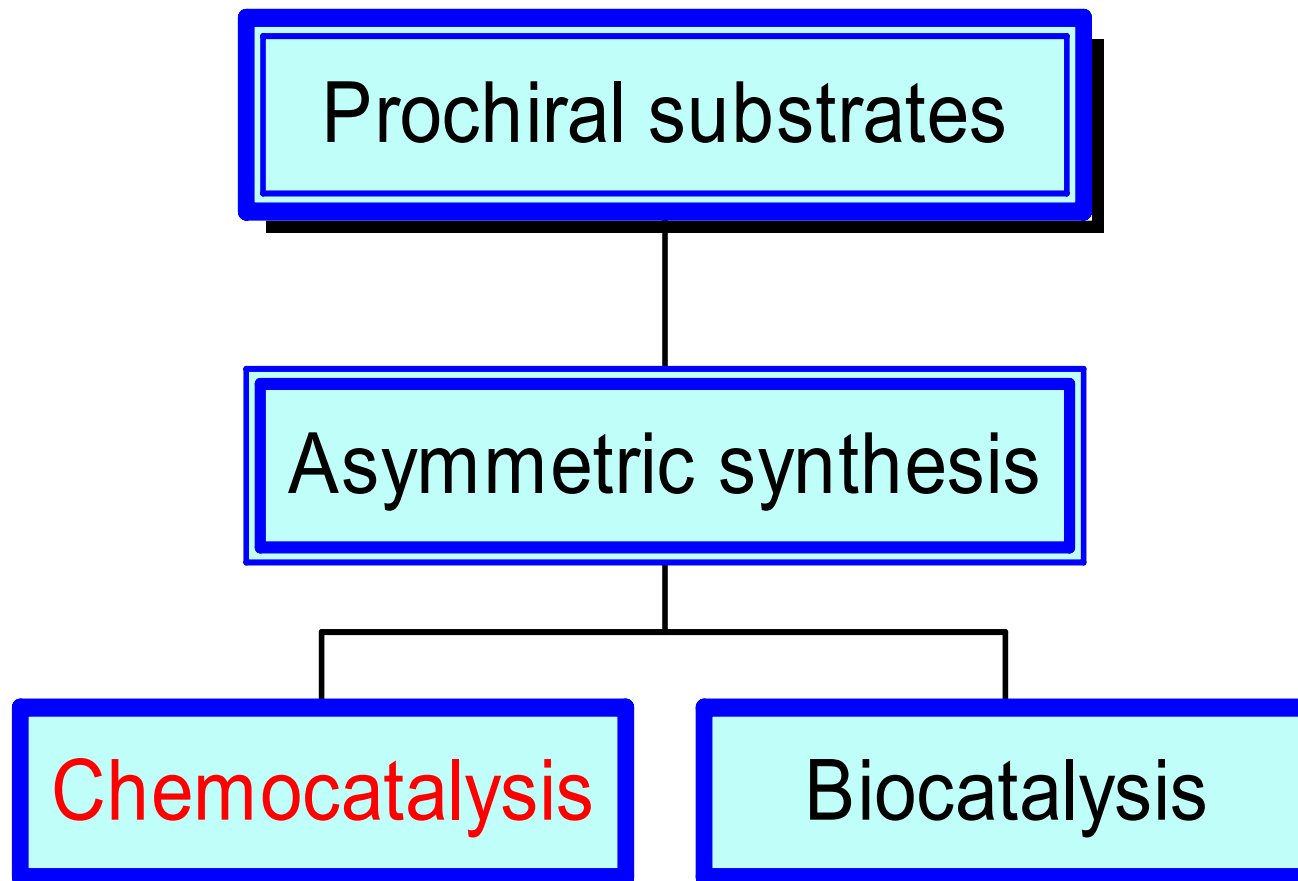


**ALL** specific reactions **must** be selective, but not necessarily vice versa  
Two reactions must be carried out to determine if a process is specific

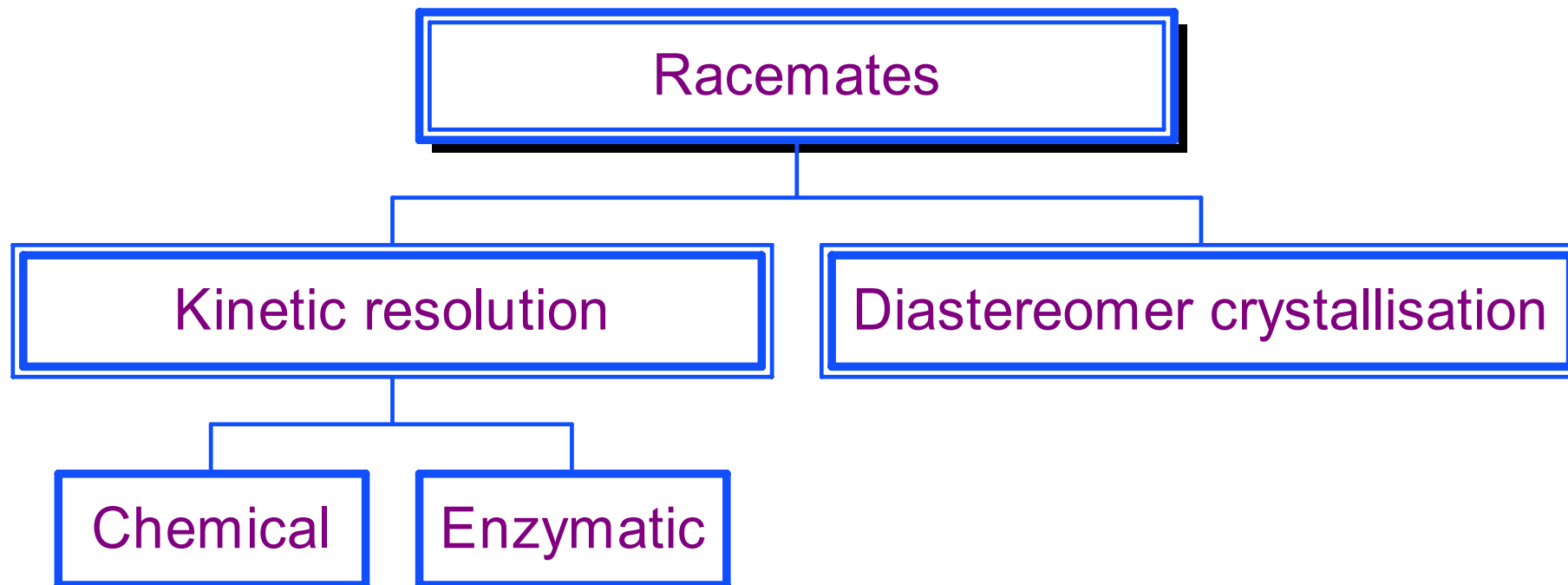




# Optically Active Substances



# Optically Active Substances



# *Enantioselective Synthesis*

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## ◆ **Purpose:**

- to create single enantiomer
- to control stereochemistry at remote sites

## ◆ **Methods:**

- resolution
  - requires separation
  - loss of material
- chiral pool
  - additional operations
- asymmetric transformations (rare)
- Asymmetric induction



# Enantioselective Synthesis

For A.I. to be practical

- ◆ > 99% ee
- ◆ Access both configurations
- ◆ General transformations
- ◆ Control agent readily available
- ◆ NO added steps
- ◆ Catalysis:

Speed  
Selectivity  
Stability  
Safety  
+ Sustainability

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# ***Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds***

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- ◆ Purchase directly from a commercial supplier
- ◆ Isolate from natural sources
- ◆ Resolution
  - direct crystallization
  - diastereomeric derivatives
  - chiral chromatography
- ◆ Asymmetric Transformations
- ◆ Asymmetric Induction (AI)
  - internal a.i. (chiral SM)
  - relayed a.i. (chiral AUX)
  - external a.i. (chiral RGT)

**Morrison, J.D. *Asymmetric Synthesis* vol 1, 1983, 1.**



# ***Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds***

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- ◆ **Purchase directly from a commercial supplier**

**Problems: Availability, price, purity, ...**

**A growing number of small companies sell tailor-made specialty chemicals.**

**Applicable also in industry: contractors.**



# ***Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds***

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- ◆ **Isolate from natural sources**

**Ideally a nearly unlimited source of new structures.**

**Tedious!!!**

**Finding the source!!!**

**May require vast amounts of purification, structure identification and labor.**

**Semisynthetic derivatives (e.g. penicillins).**

**NB!!! NOT ALL NATURAL PRODUCTS ARE ENANTIOPURE!!!**

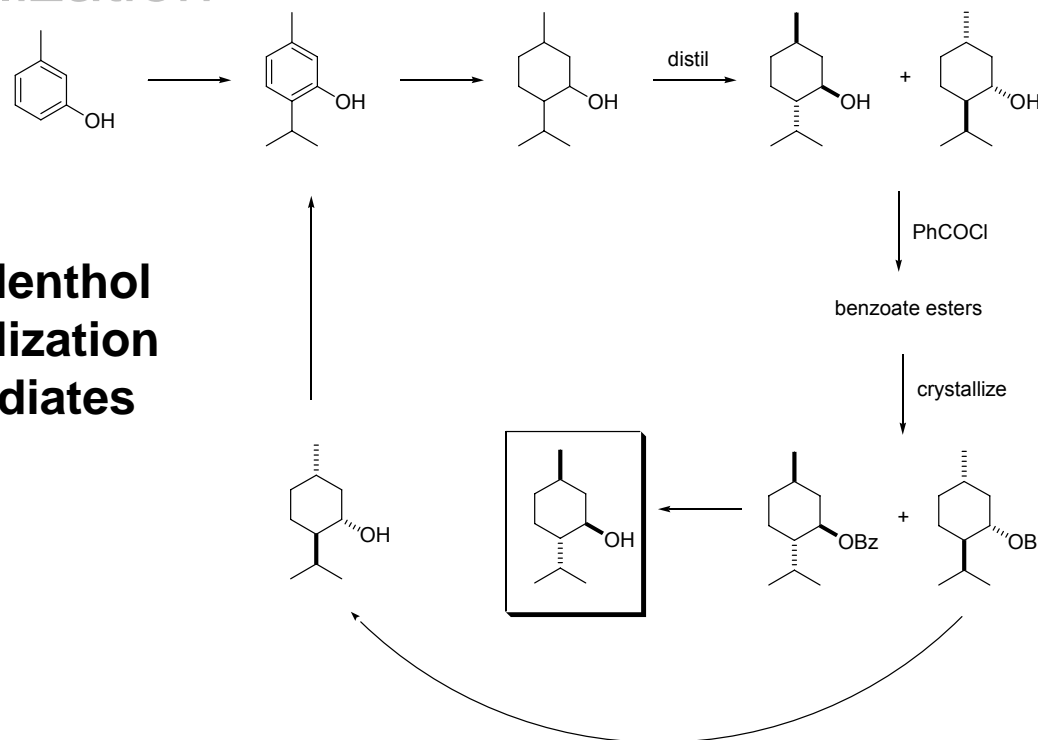


# Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds

## ◆ Resolution

### ■ direct crystallization

**Industrial production of Menthol through fractional crystallization of benzoate ester intermediates**

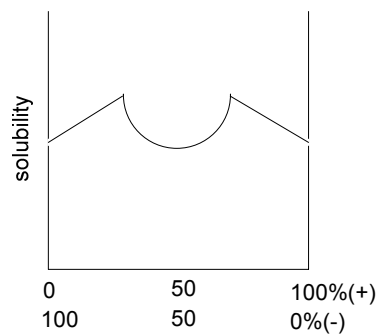
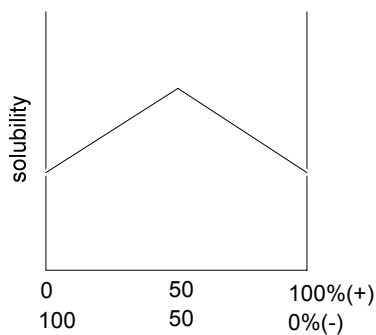
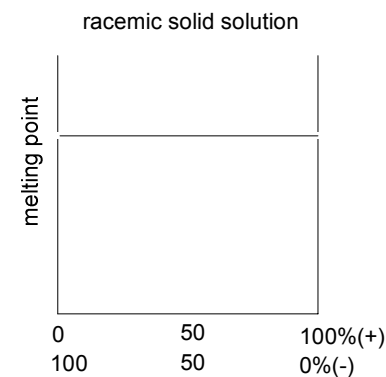
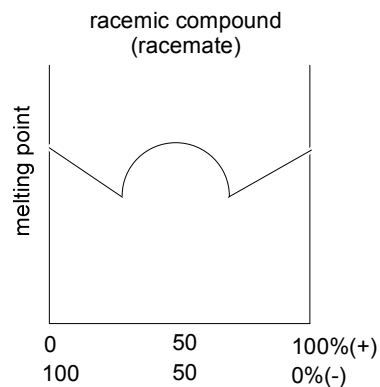
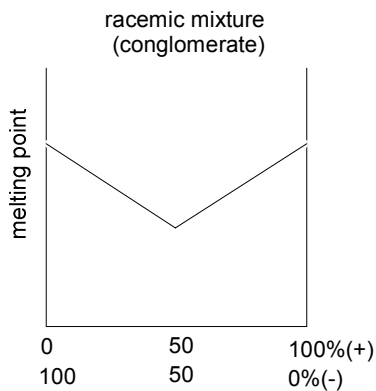


**Haarmann & Reimer**

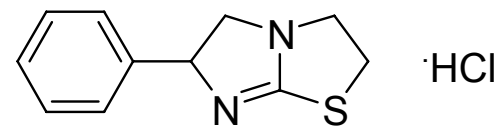
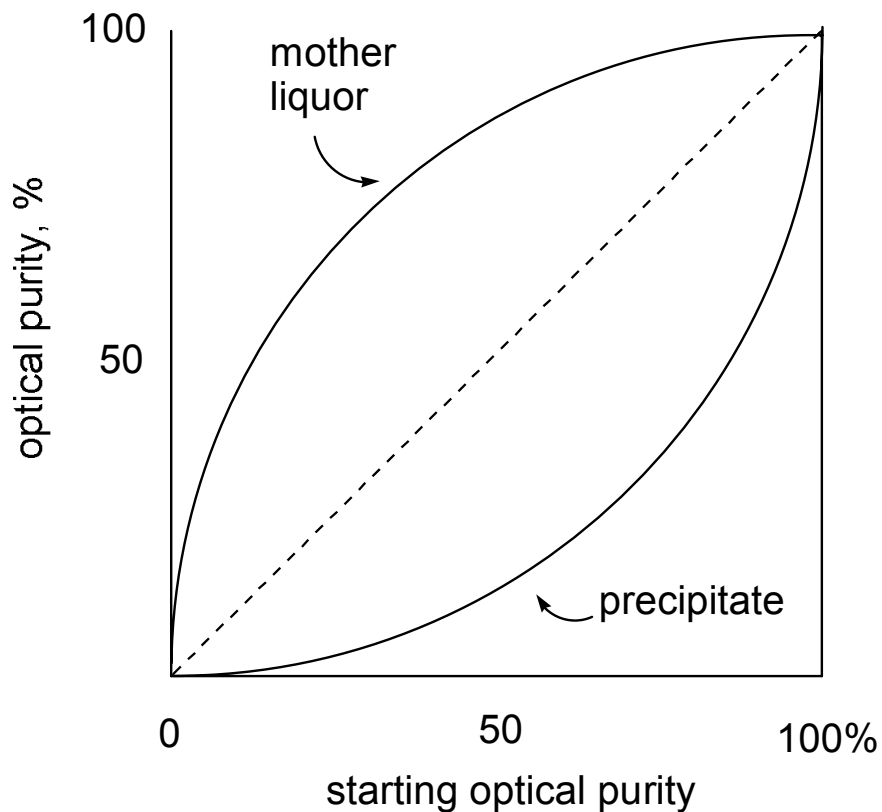




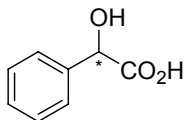
# Solubility and melting point diagrams



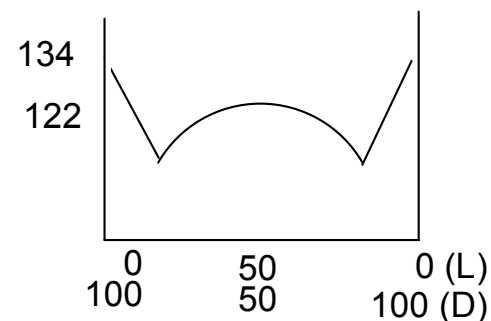
# Optical purity during titration with aq NaOH



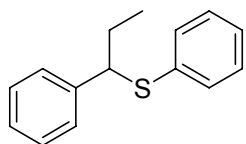
# Fractional Sublimation of L-Mandelic Acid



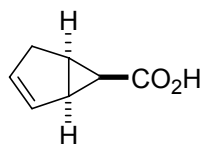
Sample	enantiomeric purity	% of L-isomer
Stg material	20.7	60.3
Fraction 1	37.2	68.6
Fraction 2	31.5	65.7
Fraction 3	25.2	62.6
Fraction 4	16.0	58.0
Fraction 5	4.7	52.3
Stg material	60.2	80.1
Fraction 1	52.5	76.3
Fraction 2	62.0	81.0
Fraction 3	64.1	82.1
Fraction 4	74.3	87.1



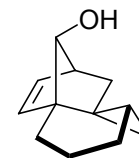
## Other related examples:



6 %ee -----> 74 %ee



40 %ee -----> 64 %ee

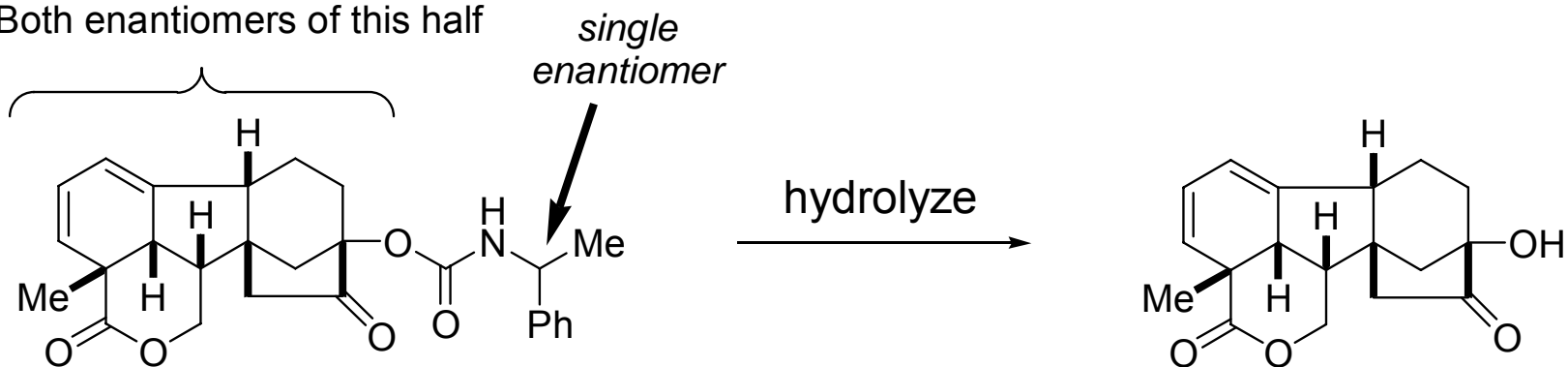


racemic -----> non-racemic

# Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds

- ◆ Resolution
  - diastereomeric derivatives

NB! Both enantiomers of this half



**Separate 1:1 mixture of diastereomers  
by column chromatography**

Corey, E.J. *et al.* *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1970, 92, 396.



# ***Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds***

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- ◆ Resolution
  - chiral chromatography

**Chiral Stationary Phase  
or  
Chiral Mobile Phase Additive**

**Several applications, both analytical and preparative.**

**Price!**

**Columns available 'on request'.**

**Pirkle, W.H.; Finn, J. *Asymmetric Synthesis*, vol. 1, 1983, 87.**



# ***Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds***

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- ◆ **Asymmetric Transformations**
  - first order
  - second order

**Thermodynamical control**

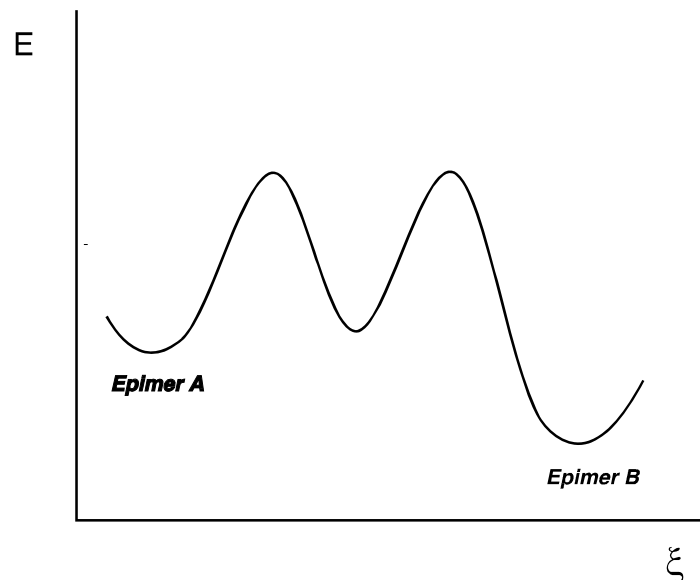
**Equilibrium between enantiomers or epimers  
is set up to favour one or the other of the products.**



# Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds

- ◆ Asymmetric Transformations
  - first order

Conditions set up so as to favor  
e.g. crystallisation of one enantiomer.



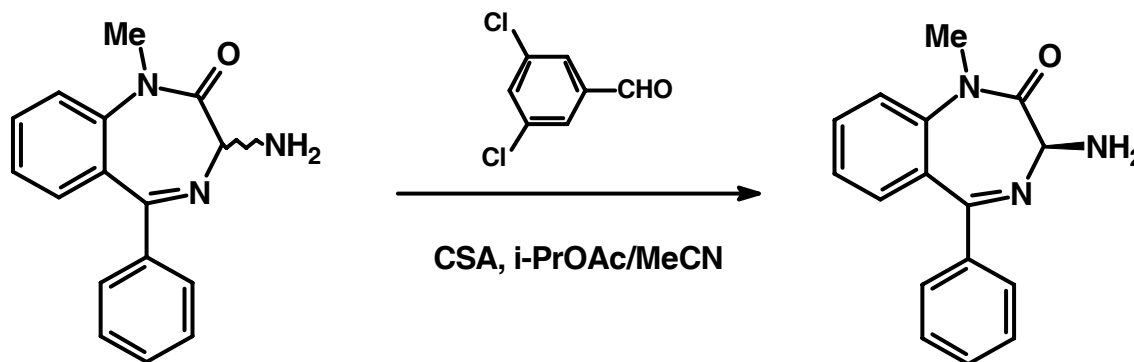
Classical example: *spontaneous* crystallisation  
of NaClO<sub>4</sub> from aqueous solution. 844 trials,  
51.3 % left handed, 48.7 % right handed crystals.

Soret, C.H. Z. *Krystallogr. Mineral.* 1901, 34, 630.



# Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds

- ◆ Asymmetric Transformations
  - second order



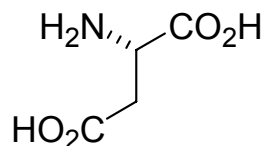
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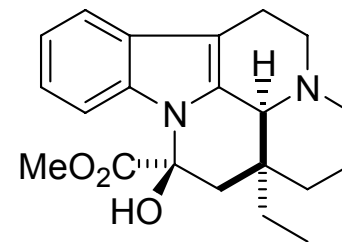
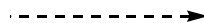


# Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds

- ◆ Asymmetric Induction (AI)
  - internal a.i. (chiral SM)



*Aspartic acid*

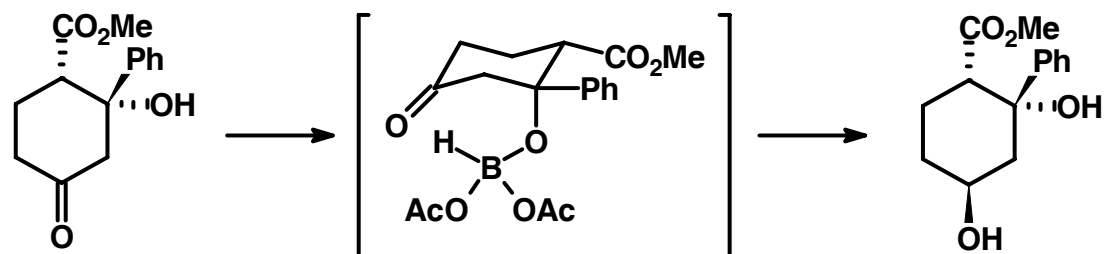


*Vincamine*

Rapoport, H. *et al. J. Org. Chem.* 1990, 55, 3068.



# Internal Al



***Chelation controls selectivity***

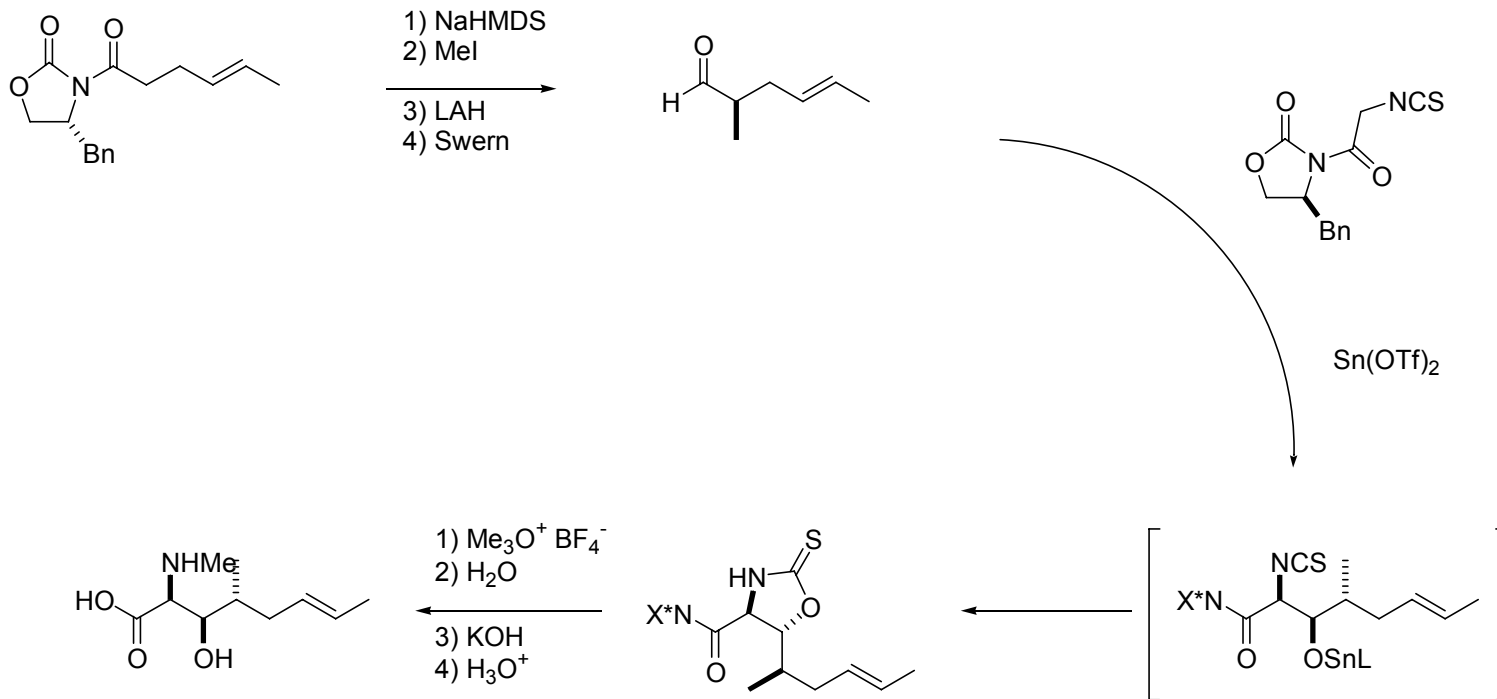
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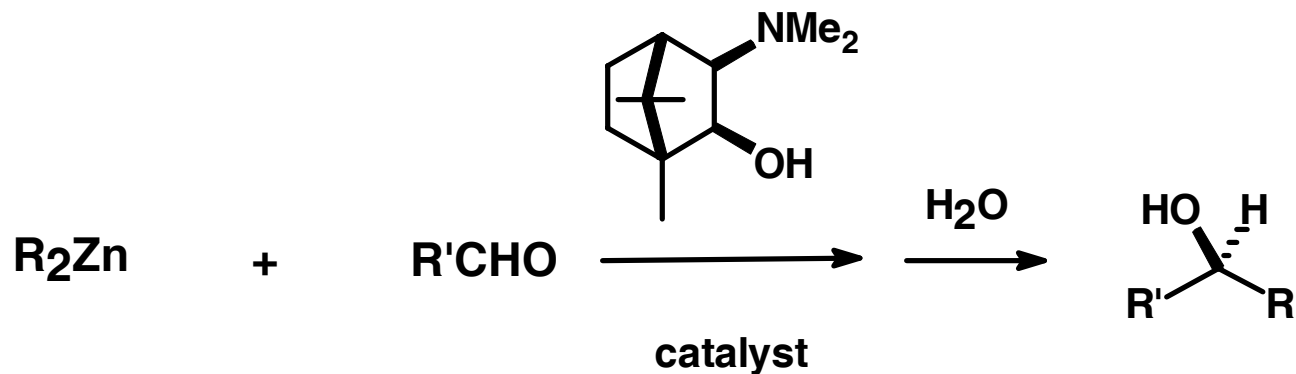
# Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds

- ◆ Asymmetric Induction (AI)
  - relayed a.i. (chiral AUX)



# Methods for Obtaining Enantiopure Compounds

- ◆ Asymmetric Induction (AI)
  - external a.i. (chiral RGT)

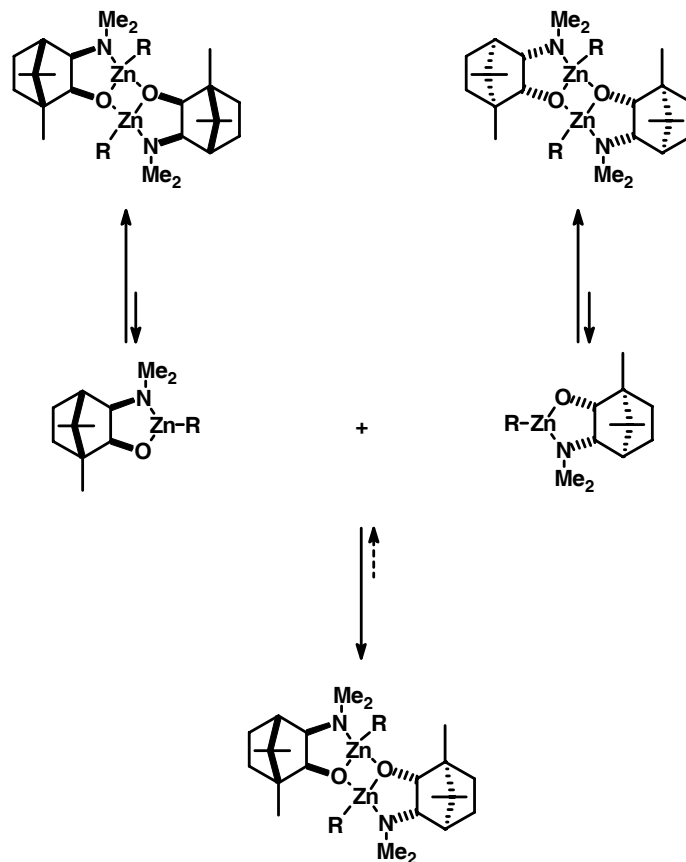
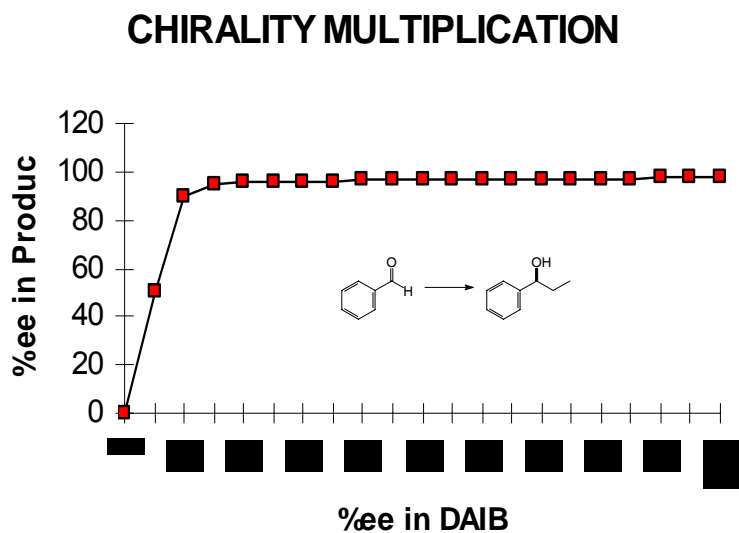


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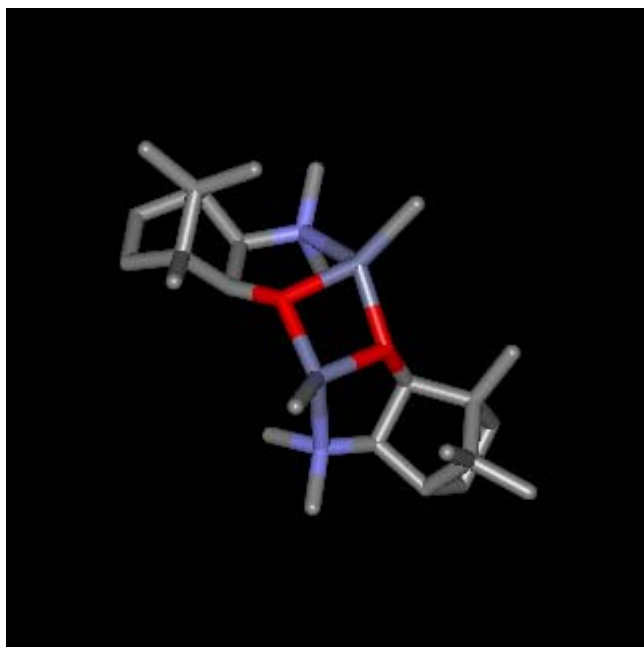


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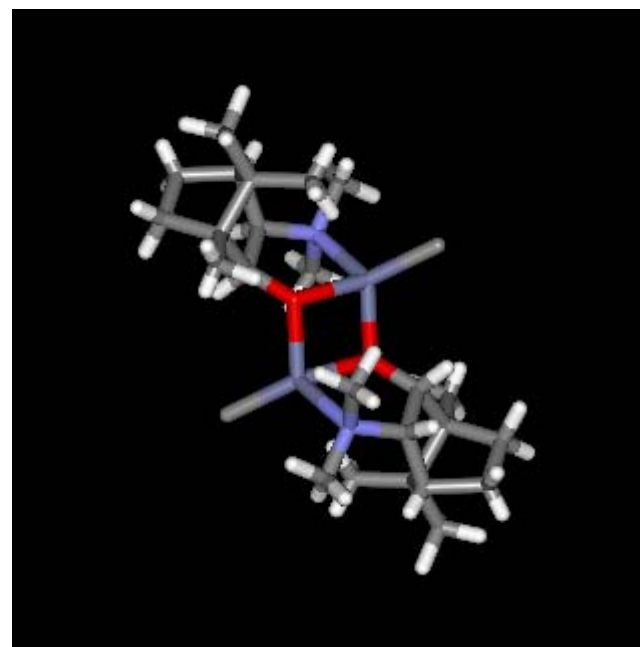
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# ***DAIB-Zn X-ray structures***



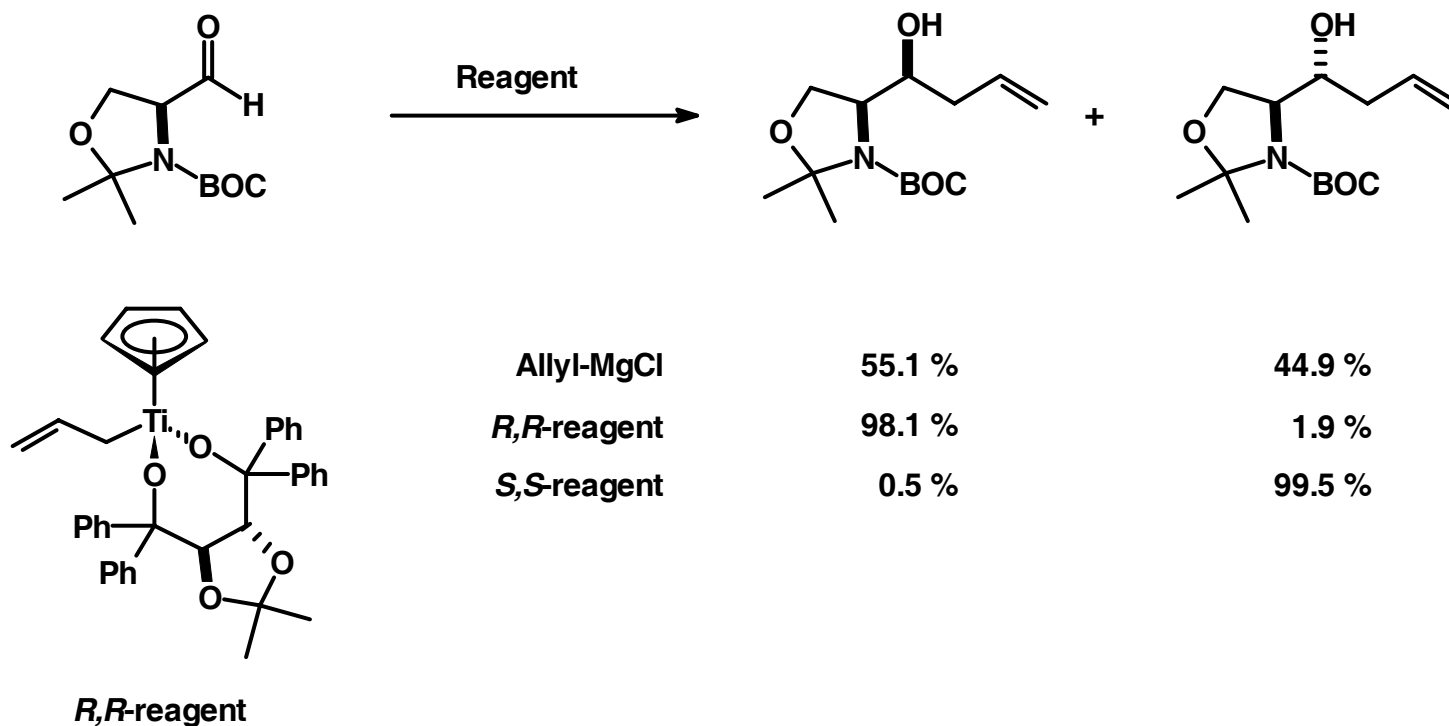
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***JAMYEB***



# Reagent Control in Double Stereodifferentiation

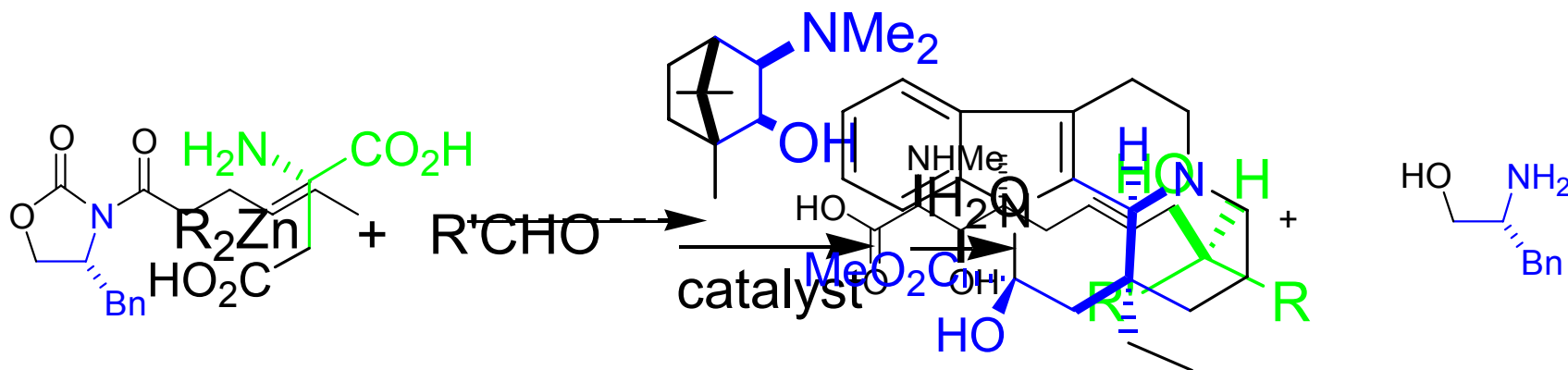


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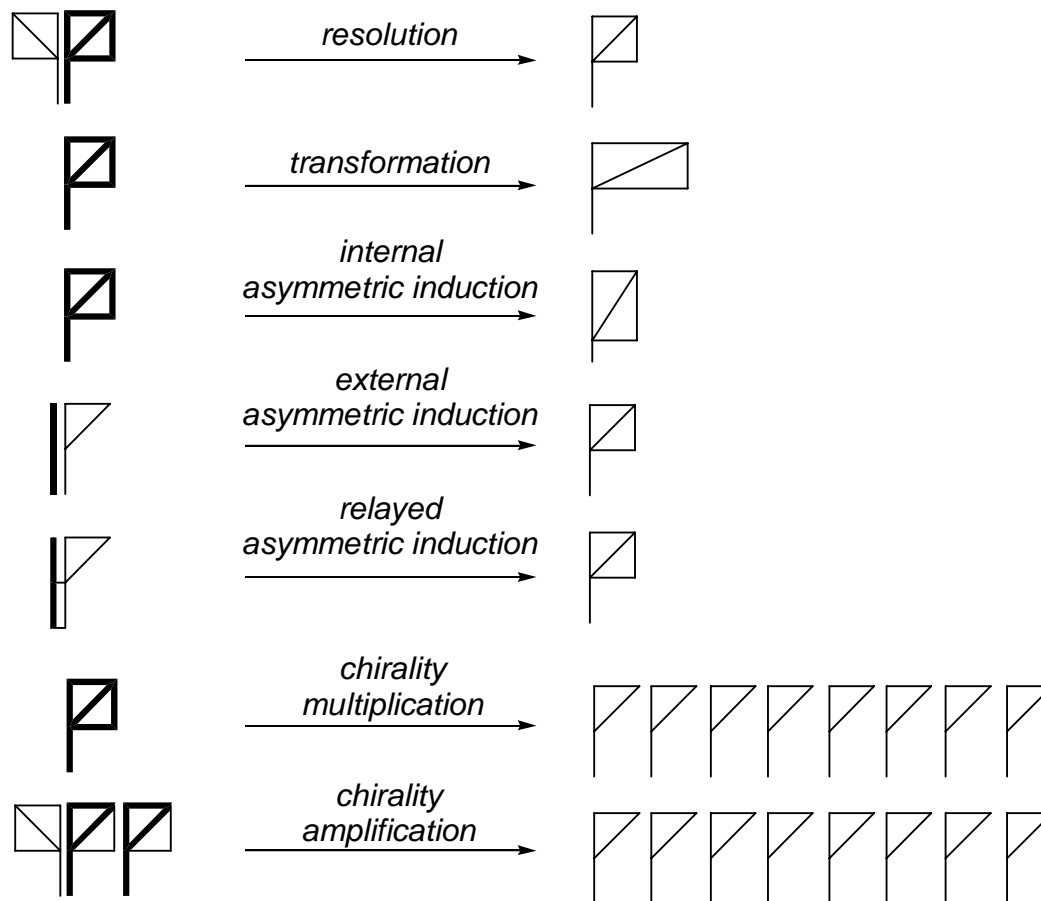
# Asymmetric Induction - Economy?

- intermetallic (chiral SMT)
- Chiral auxiliary (and multiplied) in product
- Re-usable (?)





# Modes of Access to Enantiopure Compounds



# Polarimetry

$$[\alpha]_{\lambda} = \frac{\alpha}{l \cdot c}$$

$$\% \text{ o.p.} = \frac{[\alpha]_{\text{obs}}}{[\alpha]_{\text{max}}}$$

## Precautions:

- ◆ longest path, large diameter
- ◆ strained glass (=distorted glass) polarized beam; use center filled tubes
- ◆ particles; rotate cell, measure again
- ◆ air bubbles - refract light
- ◆ colored sample



# Enantiopurity

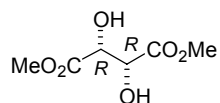
## ◆ %ee

- ee = enantiomeric excess

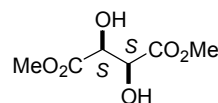
$$\%ee = \frac{|\%R - \%S|}{|\%R + \%S|} * 100$$

- e.g. mixture 80 % R, 20 % S

- %ee = |80 - 20| = 60 %ee

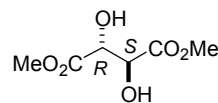
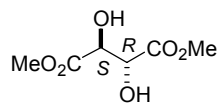


60 %



20 %

$$\%ee = \frac{60 - 20}{60 + 20} * 100 = 50 \%ee$$



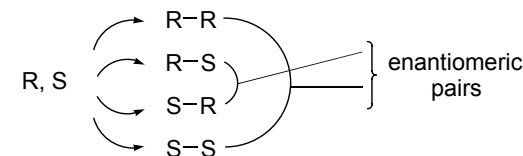
20 %



# Enantiomeric Excess

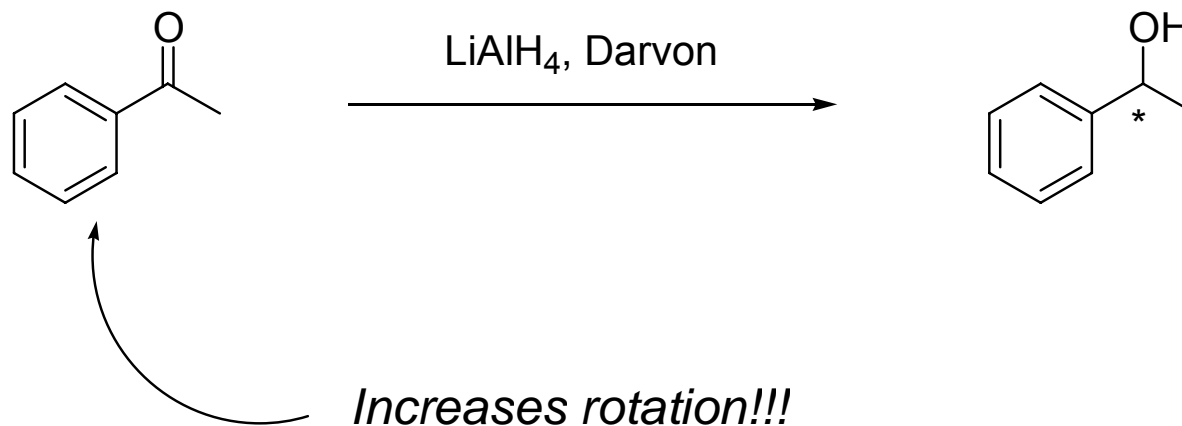
Often %e.e. = % o.p., but sources for error

- ◆  $[\alpha]_{\max}$  must be known
- ◆ solvent, concentration and temperature
  - reproduction of literature concentration
  - e.g.  $\text{CHCl}_3$  - how much EtOH?
  - EtOH - ?
- ◆ rotation not necessarily linear with %ee because of association phenomena
- ◆  $[\alpha]$  not constant for all molecules in solution (impurities with large  $[\alpha]$ )



# Optical Rotation vs. Enantiomeric Excess

***Achiral impurity can affect optical rotation:***

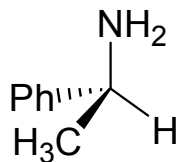


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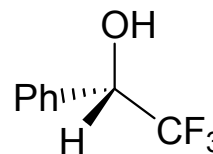


# Practical Determination: NMR

- ◆ Optically active solvent



ROH,  $\alpha$ -OH acids



RNH<sub>2</sub>,  
amino acids

- use either as sole solvent or more generally as additive
- often requires optimization of mol fractions

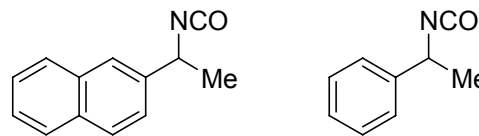


# Practical Determination: NMR

- ◆ Diastereomers
  - different physical properties
  - $\alpha$ -methoxy- $\alpha$ -trifluoromethyl phenylacetic acid (MTPA = Mosher's acid; Dale Mosher *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1973, 512)

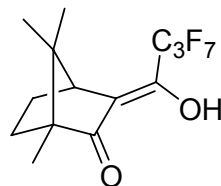


- others: e.g. isocyanates



# Practical Determination: NMR

- ◆ Chiral shift reagent
  - need not make anything
  - add more & more until peaks split
    - Whitesides, *G. J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1974, 1038.
    - Sullivan *Top. Stereochem.* 1977, 10, 287.



Eu(hfc)<sub>3</sub>

hfc = heptafluorocamphorato

- always use dry solvents
- always confirm with racemic material! (peak positions)





# ***Practical Determination: HPLC***

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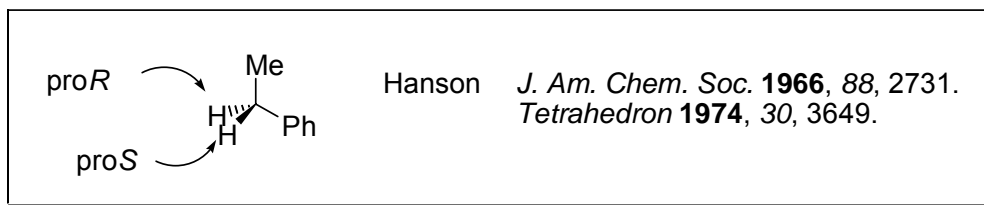
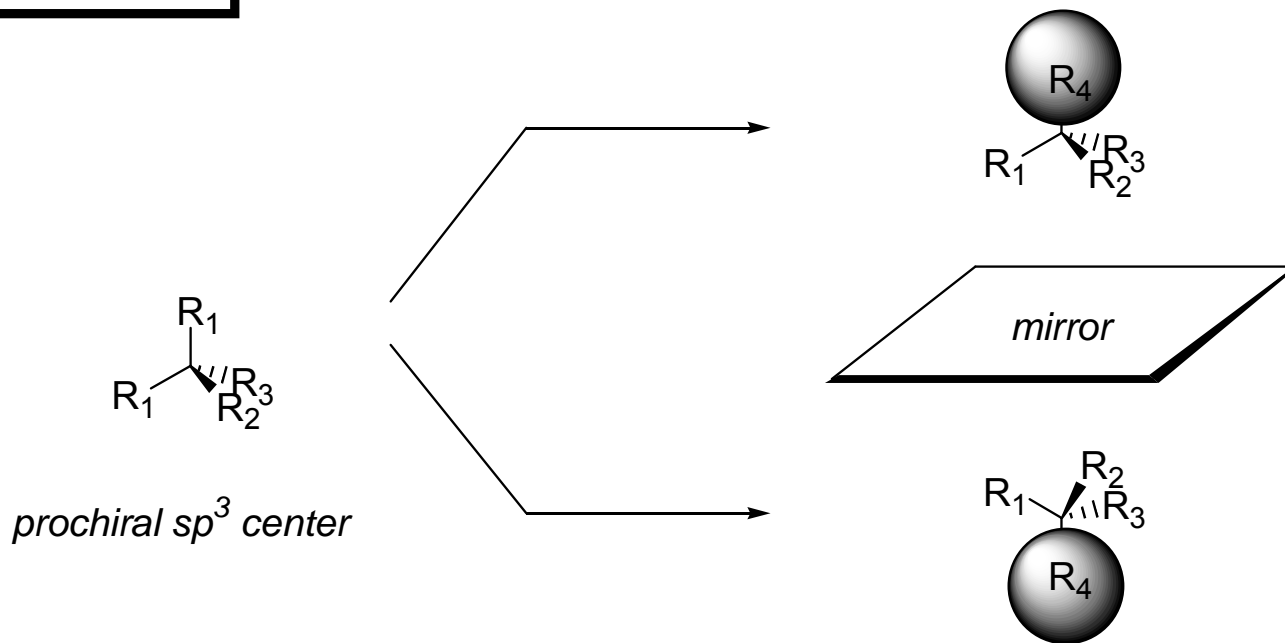
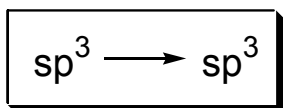
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- ◆ Make diastereomeric derivatives
  - same restrictions as in NMR
  
- ◆ Chiral columns
  - BY FAR the most reliable method
  - columns available nearly tailor-made

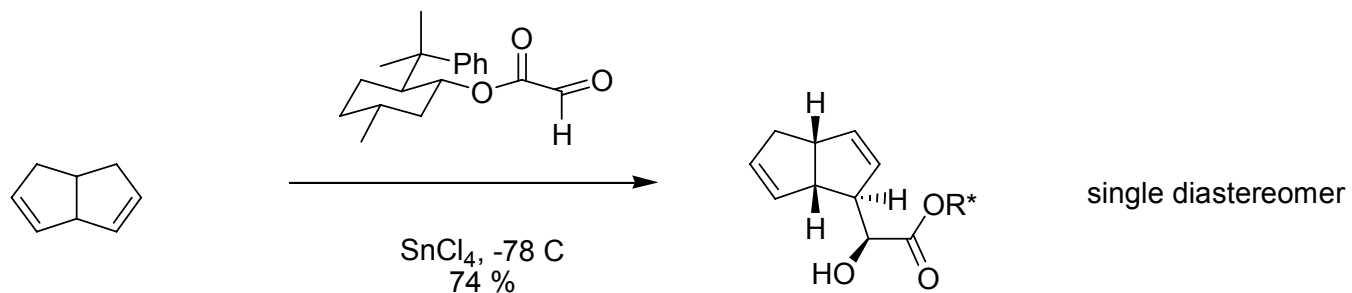


# Creation of Stereocenters

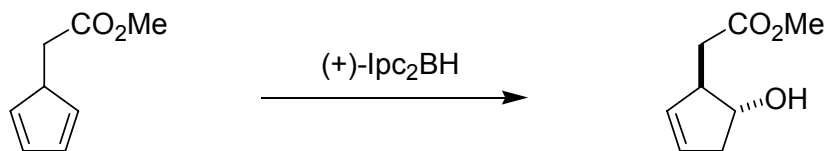
## Enantiotopic differentiation



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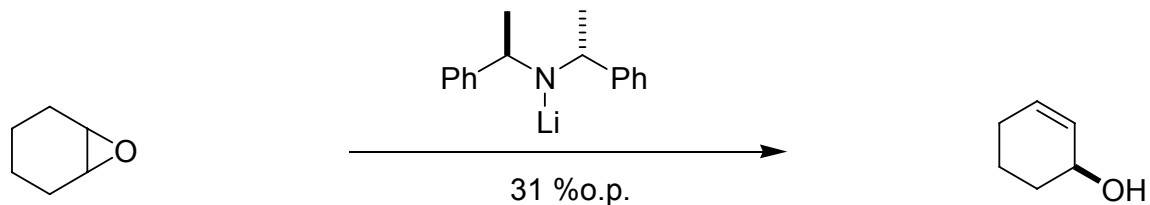
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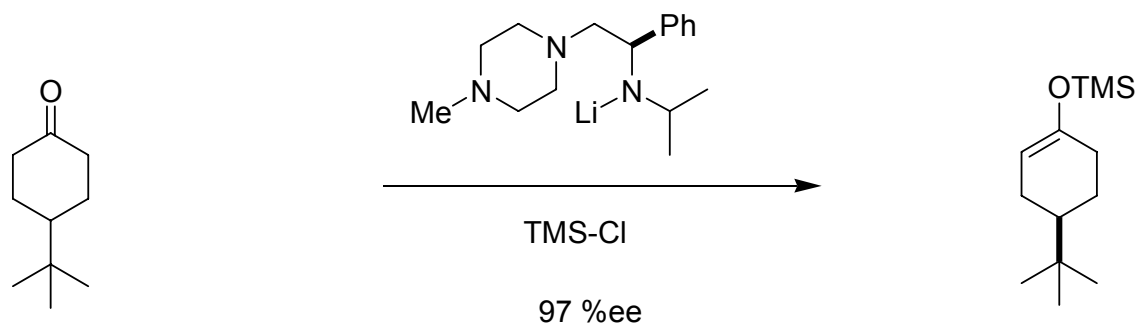
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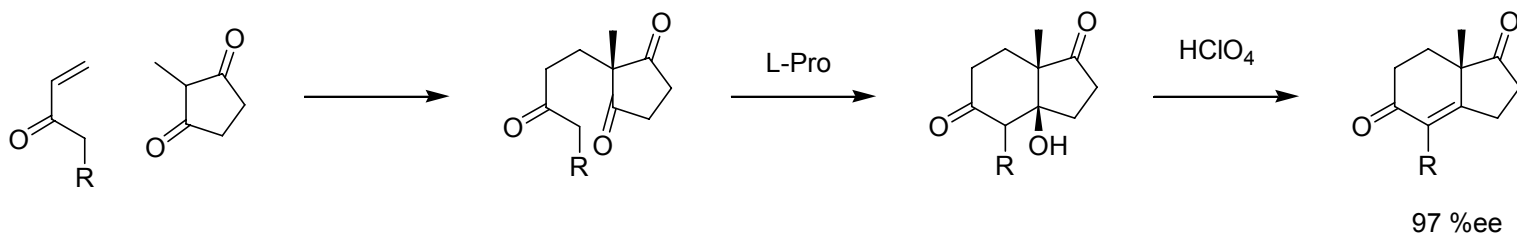


Koga, K. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1986**, *108*, 542.



# Enantiotopic differentiation

## HAJOS-EDER-WIECHERT PROCESS



- ◆ Natural amino acid  $\Rightarrow$  natural steroid configuration
- ◆ amide, ester not as efficient; need bifunctional catalyst
- ◆ amino acid can be used catalytically
- ◆ polar aprotic solvent  $\Rightarrow$  aldol product
- ◆ mineral acid present  $\Rightarrow$  enone
- ◆ rather insensitive to temperature (120 °C: 64 %ee)

Cohen *Accts. Chem. Res.* **1976**, 412.



# *Synthetic Considerations*

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- Mechanism
- Molecular structural requirements
- Rxn limitations (pH, pK<sub>a</sub>, temp, hν, etc)
- Rxn conditions compatibility
- Yield
- Operational points



# Further Considerations

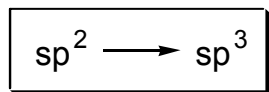
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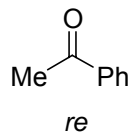
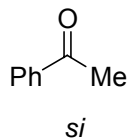
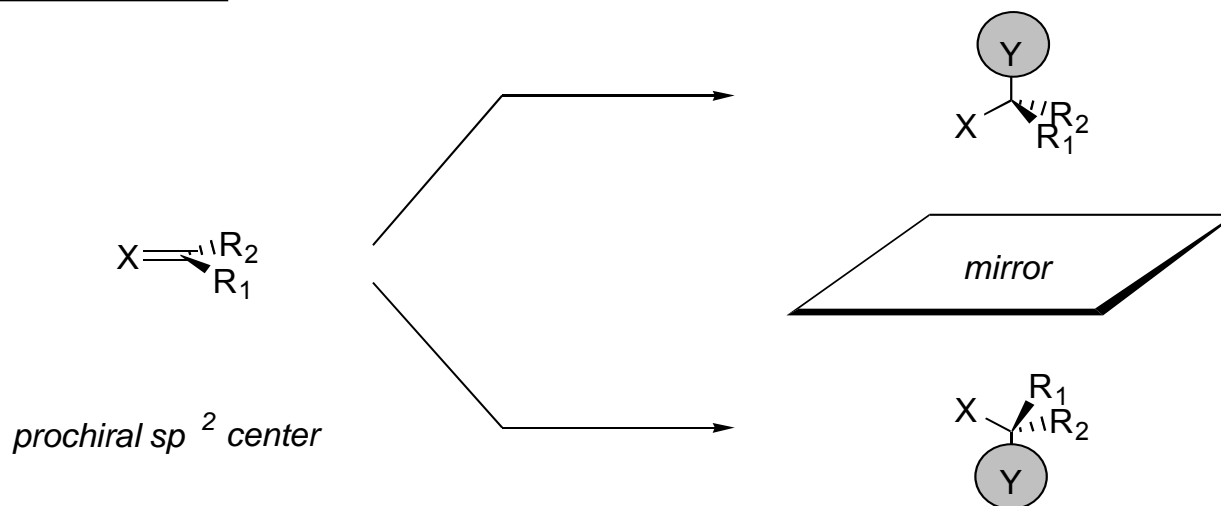
- Efficiency of overall scheme (Y, %ee)
- SM's: price, availability
- Selectivity:
  - chemo
  - regio
  - stereo
- Add to general knowledge of TGT
- FGI reagents (often serendipitous)



# Creation of Stereocenters



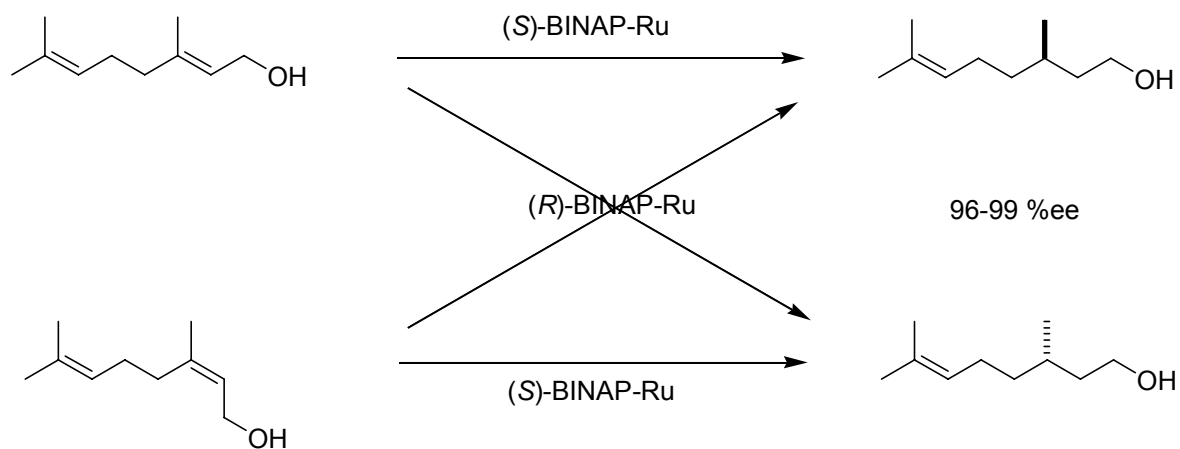
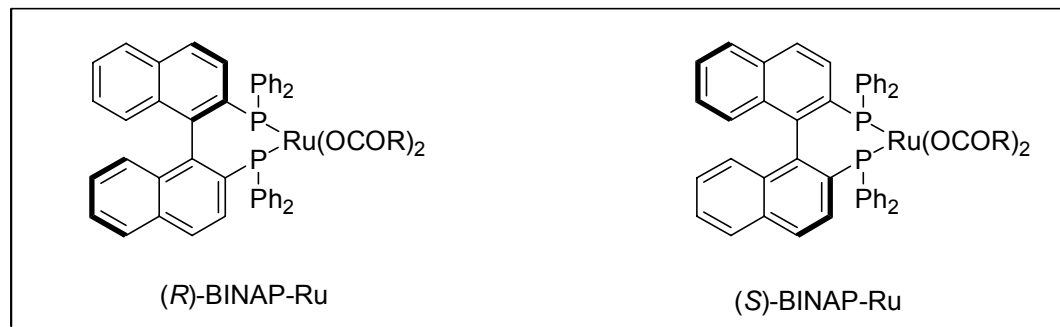
## Enantiofacial differentiation



Hanson *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1966**, 88, 2731.  
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# Enantiofacial differentiation

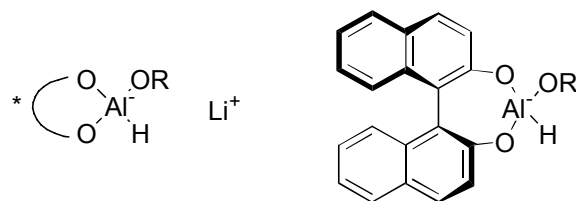


Noyori, R. *Chem. Soc. Rev.* **1989**, 18, 187.  
*Accts. Chem. Res.* **1990**, 23, 345.



# Methods for Asymmetric Induction

## 1) Reagent modification



### **Advantages:**

- **no separate reactions on substrate**
- **possibility for catalysis**
- **can be designed (if TS known)**

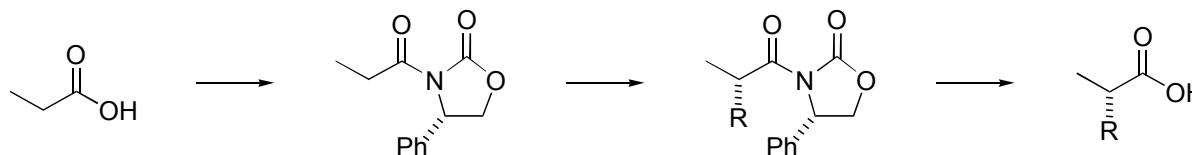
### **Disadvantages:**

- **well defined TS for bimolecular rxns rare**
- **analysis of results difficult**



# Methods for Asymmetric Induction

## 2) Substrate modification



### **Advantages:**

- **fixed interaction between auxiliary/substrate**
- **products diastereomers: analysis simple**

### **Disadvantages:**

- **two extra steps**
- **cannot be catalytic**

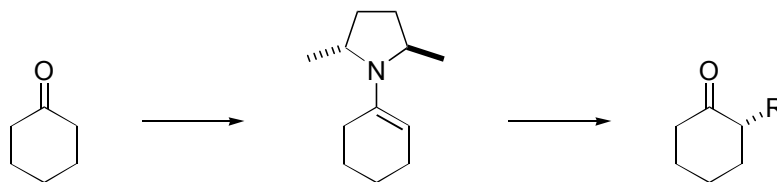


# Methods for Asymmetric Induction

## 2) Substrate modification

b) Weak bond

a) Strong bond



**Advantages:**

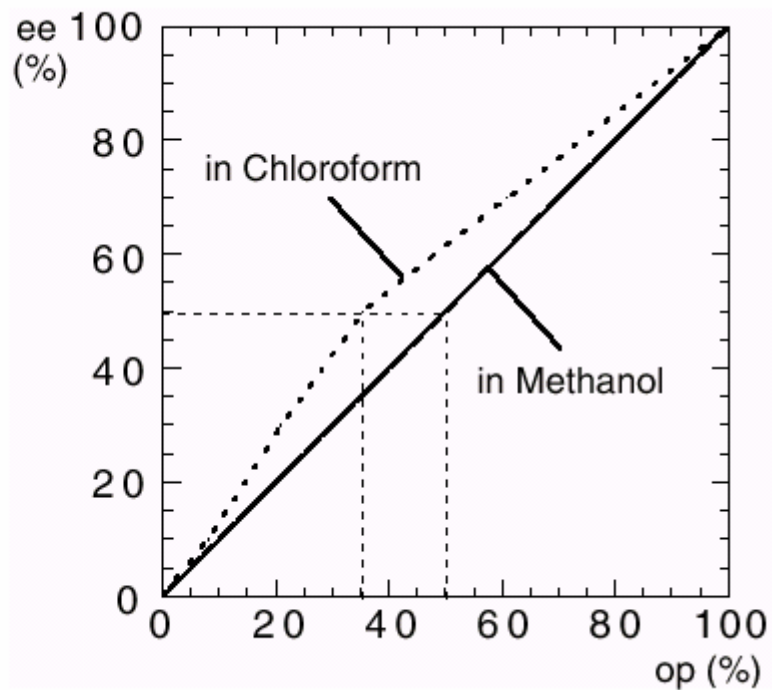
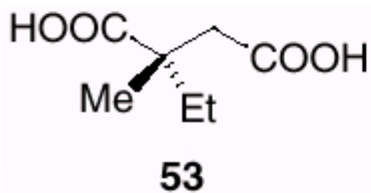
- *rxns for attachment/removal easier*
- *possibility for catalysis*

**Disadvantages:**

- *combination of rgt modification and strong bond*



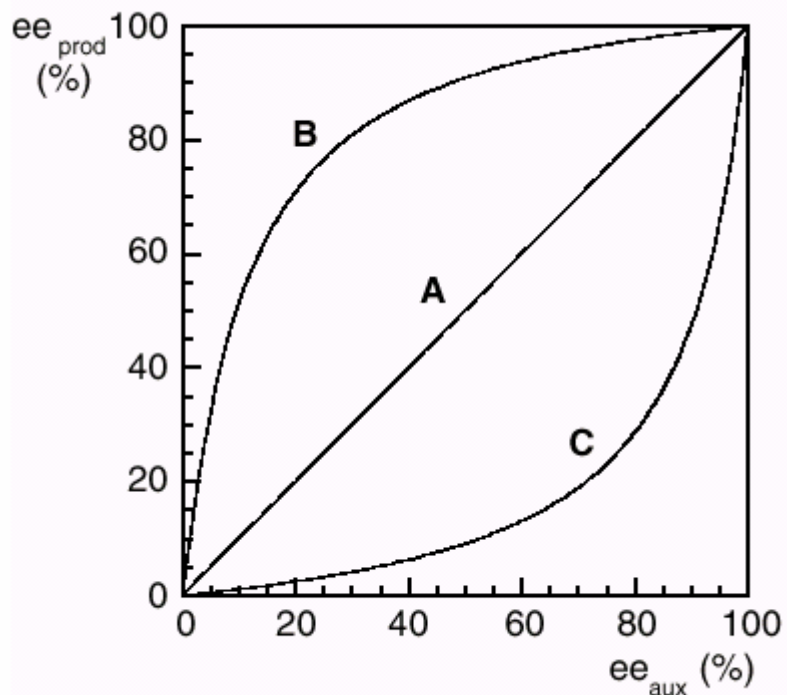
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Horeau, A. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1969**, 36, 3121-3124.



# Non-linear effects



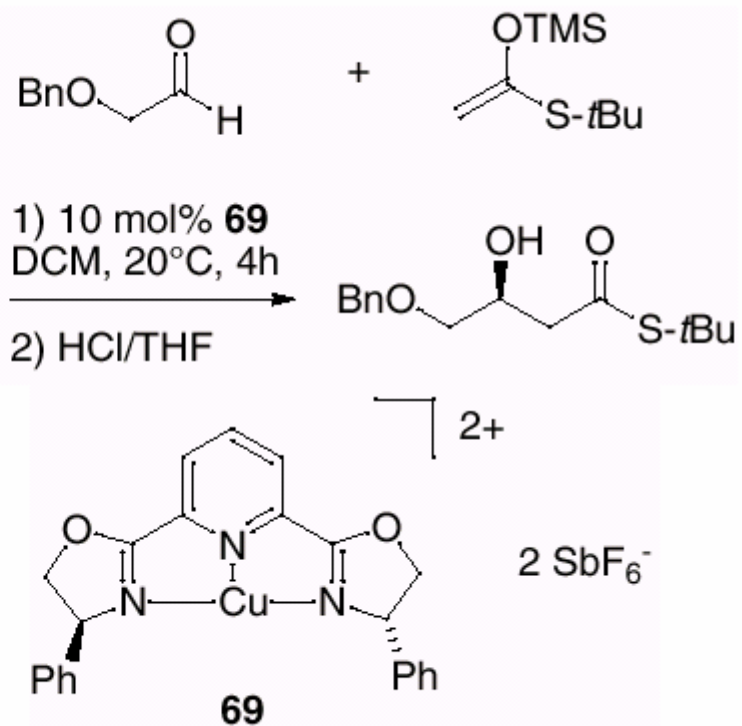
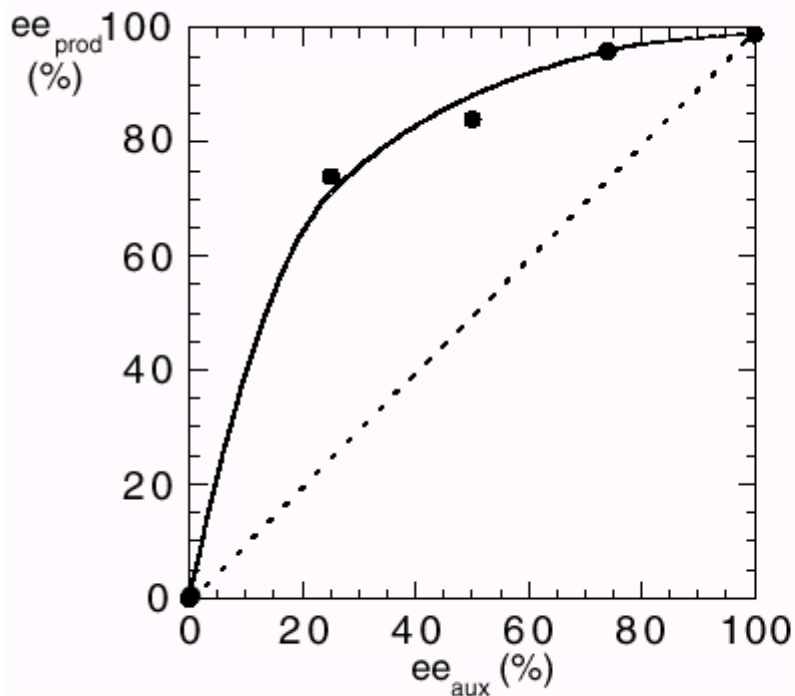
Line A: No effect

B: Positive non-linear effect

C: Negative non-linear effect



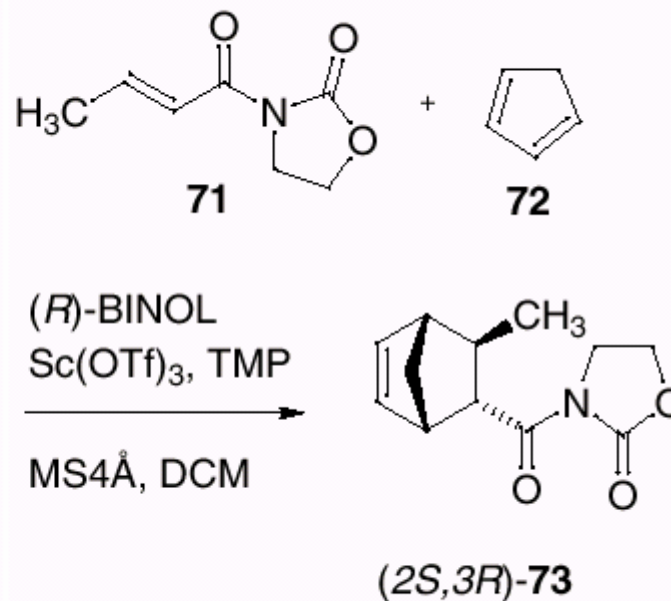
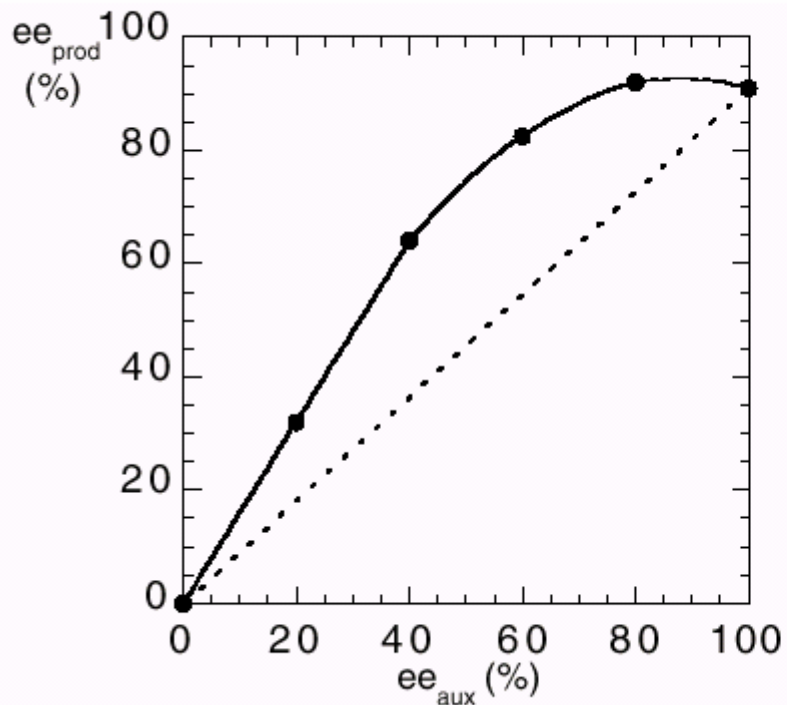
# Non-linear effect in aldol



Evans, D.A. *et al.* *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1999**, *121*, 669-685.



# NLE in Diels-Alder



Kobayashi, S. *et al. Tetrahedron Lett.* **1994**, *35*, 6325-6328.

