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# PREFACE

By their compilation of Volumes 1 and 2 of this *Compendium*, Ian and Shuyen Harrison filled one of the greatest needs of the synthetic community: a method for rapidly retrieving needed information from the literature by reaction type rather than by the author's name or publication date. We are honored by the opportunity to bring this useful work up to date.

*Compendium of Organic Synthetic Methods, Volume 3*, presents the functional group transformations and difunctional compound preparations of 1974, 1975, and 1976. We have attempted to follow as closely as possible the classification schemes of the first two volumes; the experienced user of the *Compendium* will require no additional instructions on the use of this volume.

Perhaps it is fitting here to echo the Harrisons' request stated in Volume 2 of the *Compendium*: The synthetic literature would become more easily accessible and more useful if chemists could write well-organized, concise papers with charts and diagrams that allow the reader to assess quickly and easily the scope of the published research. In addition, the reporting of actual, isolated yields and detailed experimental conditions will save a great deal of wasted effort on the part of other chemists hoping to apply the reported reactions to their own synthetic problems.

Anyone who has ever typed a research paper with structures can understand what a Gargantuan project the preparation of the camera-ready copy for this volume has been. Linda Benedict and Jackie Swinehart completed the entire project almost more quickly than our proofreaders, Gary Allen, Joel Slade and Robert Williams, could make corrections. The authors would like to express their thanks to these people for their dedicated work.

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# ABBREVIATIONS

The authors have attempted to use only abbreviations whose meaning will be readily apparent to the reader. Some of those more commonly used are the following:

Ac	acetyl
Bu	butyl
Bz	benzyl
Cp	cyclopentadienyl
DCC	dicyclohexylcarbodiimide
DDQ	2,3-dichloro-5,6-dicyanobenzoquinone
DIBAL	diisobutylaluminum hydride
DME	1,2-dimethoxyethane
DMF	dimethylformamide
DMSO	dimethyl sulfoxide
Et	ethyl
Hex	hexyl
HMPA, HMPT	hexamethylphosphoramide (hexamethylphosphoric triamide)
L	triphenylphosphine ligand (if not specified)
LDA	lithium diisopropylamide
MCPBA	<i>meta</i> -chloroperbenzoic acid
Me	methyl
Ms	methanesulfonyl
MVK	methyl vinyl ketone
NBS	<i>N</i> -bromosuccinimide
NCS	<i>N</i> -chlorosuccinimide
Ni	Raney nickel
Oct	octyl
Ph, $\phi$	phenyl
Pr	propyl
Pyr	pyridine

Sia	secondary-isoamyl
Tf	trifluoromethane sulfonate
TFA	trifluoroacetic acid
TFAA	trifluoroacetic anhydride
THF	tetrahydrofuran
THP	tetrahydropyranyl
TMS	trimethylsilyl
Ts	<i>p</i> -toluenesulfonyl

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PROTECTION

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# INTRODUCTION

**Relationship between Volume 3 and Previous Volumes.** *Compendium of Organic Synthetic Methods, Volume 3* presents over 1000 examples of published methods for the preparation of monofunctional compounds, updating the 4000 in Volumes 1 and 2. In addition, Volume 3 contains over 1000 additional examples of preparations of difunctional compounds and various functional groups, updating these sections which were initially introduced in Volume 2. The same systems of section and chapter numbering are used in the two volumes.

**Classification and Organization of Reactions Forming Monofunctional Compounds.** Examples of published chemical transformations are classified according to the reacting functional group of the starting material and the functional group formed. Those reactions that give products with the same functional group form a chapter. The reactions in each chapter are further classified into sections on the basis of the functional group of the starting material. Within each section reactions are listed in a somewhat arbitrary order, although an effort has been made to put chain-lengthening processes before degradations.

The classification is unaffected by allylic, vinylic, or acetylenic unsaturation, which appears in both starting material and product, or increases or decreases in the length of carbon chains; for example, the reactions  $t\text{-BuOH} \rightarrow t\text{-BuCOOH}$ ,  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{PhCOOH}$  and  $\text{PhCH}=\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH} \rightarrow \text{PhCH}=\text{CHCOOH}$  would all be considered as preparations of carboxylic acids from alcohols. Entries in which conjugate reduction or alkylation of an unsaturated ketone, aldehyde, ester, acid, or nitrile occurs have generally been placed in category 74, Alkyls from Olefins.

The terms hydrides, alkyls, and aryls classify compounds containing reacting hydrogens, alkyl groups, and aryl groups, respectively; for example,  $\text{RCH}_2\text{-H} \rightarrow \text{RCH}_2\text{COOH}$  (carboxylic acids from hydrides),  $\text{RMe} \rightarrow \text{RCOOH}$  (carboxylic acids from alkyls),  $\text{RPh} \rightarrow \text{RCOOH}$  (carboxylic acids from aryls). Note the distinction between  $\text{R}_2\text{CO} \rightarrow \text{R}_2\text{CH}_2$  (methylenes from ketones) and  $\text{RCOR}' \rightarrow \text{RH}$  (hydrides from ketones). Alkylations which in-

volve additions across a double bond are found in section 74, Alkyls from Olefins.

The following examples illustrate the application of the classification scheme to some potentially confusing cases:

$RCH=CHCOOH \rightarrow RCH=CH_2$	(hydrides from carboxylic acids)
$RCH=CH_2 \rightarrow RCH=CHCOOH$	(carboxylic acids from hydrides)
$ArH \rightarrow ArCOOH$	(carboxylic acids from hydrides)
$ArH \rightarrow ArOAc$	(esters from hydrides)
$RCHO \rightarrow RH$	(hydrides from aldehydes)
$RCH=CHCHO \rightarrow RCH=CH_2$	(hydrides from aldehydes)
$RCHO \rightarrow RCH_3$	(alkyls from aldehydes)
$R_2CH_2 \rightarrow R_2CO$	(ketones from methylenes)
$RCH_2COR \rightarrow R_2CHCOR$	(ketones from ketones)
$RCH=CH_2 \rightarrow RCH_2CH_3$	(alkyls from olefins)
$RBr + RC\equiv CH \rightarrow RC\equiv CR$	(acetylenes from halides; also acetylenes from acetylenes)
$ROH + RCOOH \rightarrow RCOOR$	(esters from alcohols; also esters from carboxylic acids)
$RCH=CHCHO \rightarrow R_2CHCH_2CHO$	(alkyls from olefins)
$RCH=CHCN \rightarrow RCH_2CH_2CN$	(alkyls from olefins)

Yields quoted are overall; they are occasionally reduced to allow for incomplete conversion and impurities in the product.

Reactions not described in the given references, but required to complete a sequence, are indicated by a dashed arrow.

Reactions are included even when full experimental details are lacking in the given reference. In some cases the quoted reaction is a minor part of a paper or may have been investigated from a purely mechanistic aspect.

**How to Use the Book to Locate Examples of the Preparation or Protection of Monofunctional Compounds.** Examples of the preparation of one functional group from another are located via the monofunctional index on p. ix, which lists the corresponding section and page. Thus Section 1 contains examples of the preparation of acetylenes from other acetylenes; Section 2, acetylenes from carboxylic acids; and so forth.

Sections that contain examples of the reactions of a functional group are found in the horizontal rows of the index. Thus Section 1 gives examples of the reactions of acetylenes that form other acetylenes; Section

16, reactions of acetylenes that form carboxylic acids; and Section 31, reactions of acetylenes that form alcohols.

Examples of alkylation, dealkylation, homologation, isomerization, transposition are found in Sections 1, 17, 33, and so on, which lie close to a diagonal of the index. These sections correspond to such topics as the preparation of acetylenes from acetylenes, carboxylic acids from carboxylic acids, and alcohols and phenols from alcohols and phenols. Alkylations which involve conjugate additions across a double bond are found in section 74, Alkyls from Olefins.

Examples of name reactions can be found by first considering the nature of the starting material and product. The Wittig reaction, for instance, is in Section 199 on olefins from aldehydes and Section 207 on olefins from ketones.

Examples of the protection of acetylenes, carboxylic acids, alcohols, phenols, aldehydes, amides, amines, esters, ketones, and olefins are also indexed on p. ix.

The pairs of functional groups alcohol, ester; carboxylic acid, ester; amine, amide; carboxylic acid, amide can be interconverted by quite trivial reactions. When a member of these groups is the desired product or starting material, the other member should, of course, also be consulted in the text.

A few reactions already presented in Volumes 1 and 2 are given again in Volume 3 when significant new publications have appeared. In such cases the starting material and product are shown in a contracted form; for example, ROH instead of  $\text{PhCH}_2\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ .

The original literature must be used to determine the generality of reactions. A reaction given in this book for a primary aliphatic substrate may also be applicable to tertiary or aromatic compounds.

The references usually yield a further set of references to previous work. Subsequent publications can be found by consulting the Science Citation Index.

**Classification and Organization of Reactions forming Difunctional Compounds.** This chapter considers all possible difunctional compounds formed from the groups acetylene, carboxylic acid, alcohol, aldehyde, amide, amine, ester, ether, epoxide, halide, ketone, nitrile, and olefin. Reactions that form difunctional compounds are classified into sections on the basis of the two functional groups of the product. The relative positions of the groups do not affect the classification. Thus preparations of 1,2-aminoalcohols, 1,3-aminoalcohols and 1,4-aminoalcohols are included in a single section. It is recommended that the following

illustrative examples of the classification of difunctional compounds be scrutinized closely.

<i>Difunctional Product</i>	<i>Section Title</i>
$RC\equiv C-C\equiv CR$	Acetylene—Acetylene
$RCH(OH)COOH$	Carboxylic Acid—Alcohol
$RCH(COOH)CH_2COOMe$	Carboxylic Acid—Ester
$RCH(OAc)COOH$	Carboxylic Acid—Ester
$RCH=CHOMe$	Ether—Olefin
$RCH(OMe)_2$	Ether—Ether
$RCHF_2$	Halide—Halide
$RCH(Br)CH_2F$	Halide—Halide
$RCH(OAc)CH_2OH$	Alcohol—Ester
$RCH(OH)COOMe$	Alcohol—Ester
$RCOOCOEt$	Ester—Ketone
$RCOCH_2OAc$	Ester—Ketone
$RCH=CHCH_2COOMe$	Ester—Olefin
$RCH=CHOAc$	Ester—Olefin
$RCH(Br)COOEt$	Ester—Halide
$RCH(Br)CH_2OAc$	Ester—Halide
$RCH=CHCH_2CH=CH_2$	Olefin—Olefin

**How to Use the Book to Locate Examples of the Preparation of Difunctional Compounds.** The difunctional index on p. x gives the section and page corresponding to each difunctional product. Thus Section 327 (Alcohol—Ester) contains examples of the preparation of hydroxyesters; Section 323 (Alcohol—Alcohol) contains examples of the preparation of diols.

Some preparations of olefinic and acetylenic compounds from olefinic and acetylenic starting materials can, in principle, be classified in either the monofunctional or difunctional sections; for example,  $RCH=CHBr \rightarrow RCH=CHCOOH$ , Carboxylic acids from Halides (monofunctional sections) or Carboxylic acid—Olefin (difunctional sections). In such cases both sections should be consulted.

Reactions applicable to both aldehyde and ketone starting materials are in many cases illustrated by an example that uses only one of them.

Many literature preparations of difunctional compounds are extensions of the methods applicable to monofunctional compounds. Thus the reaction  $RCl \rightarrow ROH$  can clearly be extended to the preparation of

diols by using the corresponding dichloro compound as a starting material. Such methods are not fully covered in the difunctional sections.

The user should bear in mind that the pairs of functional groups alcohol, ester; carboxylic acid, ester; amine, amide; carboxylic acid, amide can be interconverted by quite trivial reactions. Compounds of the type  $\text{RCH(OAc)CH}_2\text{OAc}$  (Ester—Ester) would thus be of interest to anyone preparing the diol  $\text{RCH(OH)CH}_2\text{OH}$  (Alcohol—Alcohol).

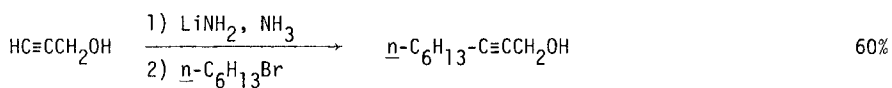


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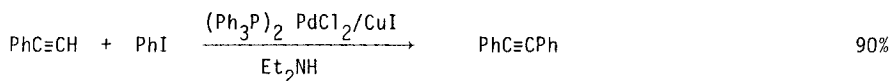
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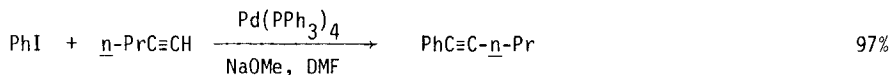
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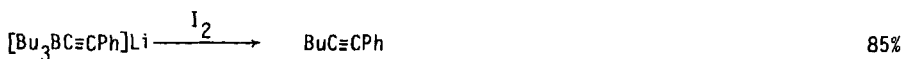
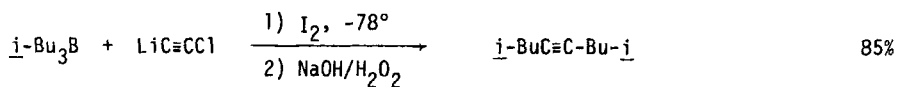
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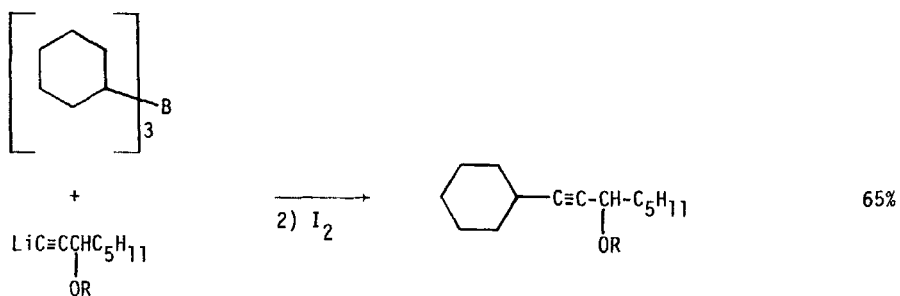
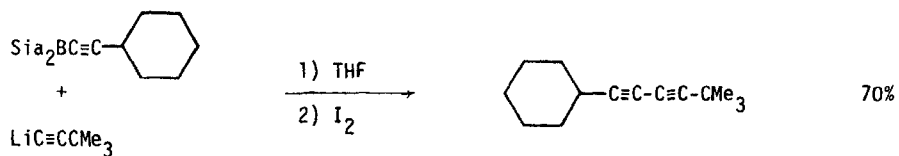
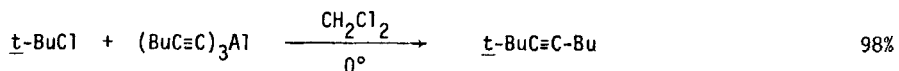
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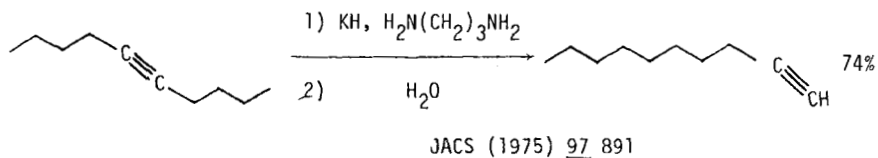


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Section 2 Acetylenes from Carboxylic Acids

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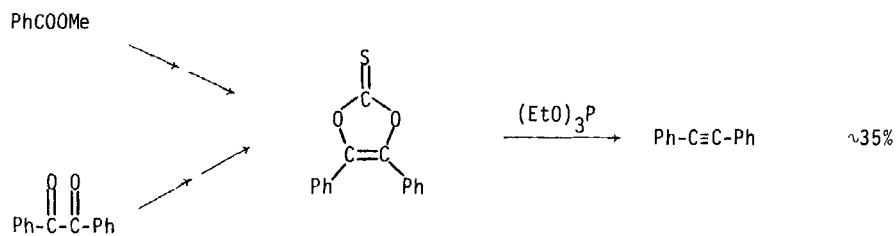
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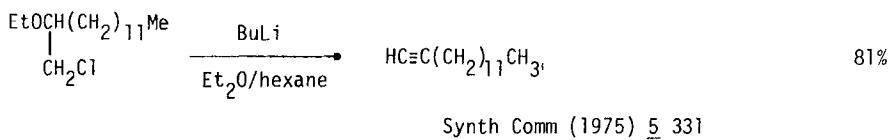
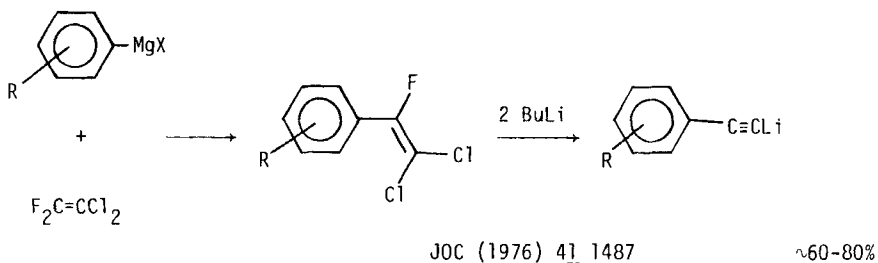
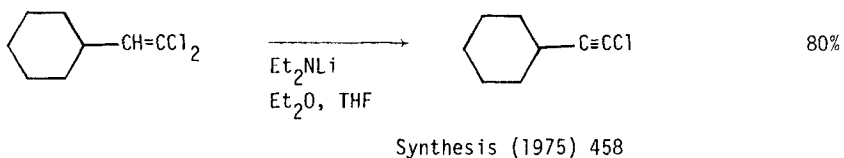
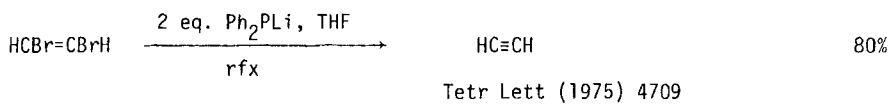
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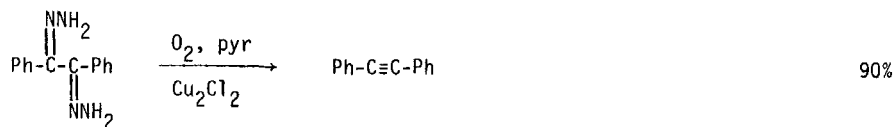
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Section 11 Acetylenes from Hydrides

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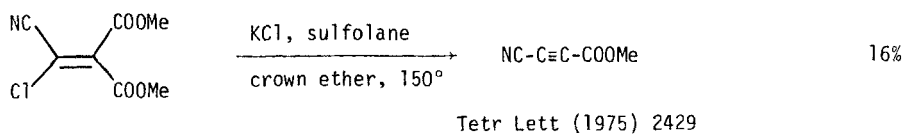
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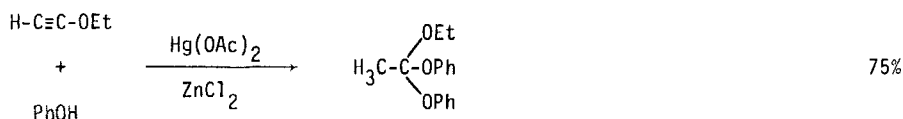
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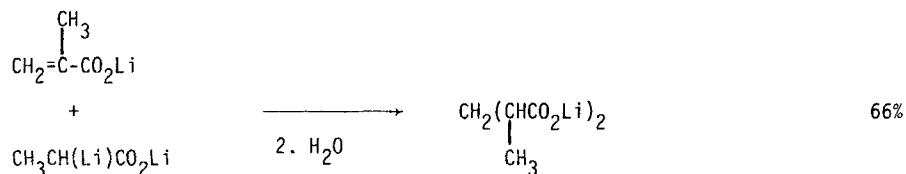
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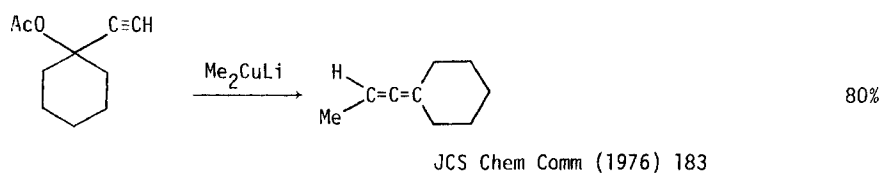
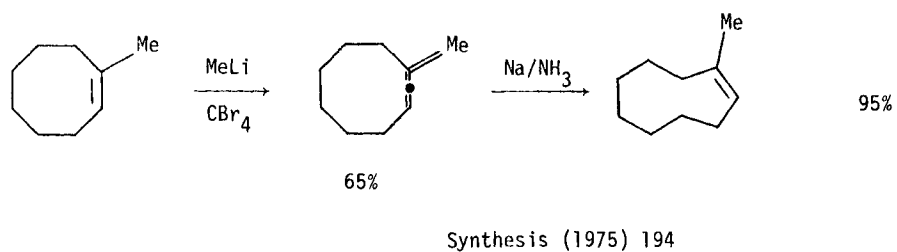
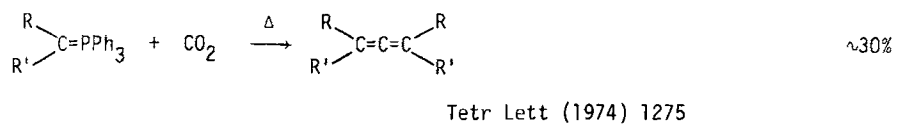
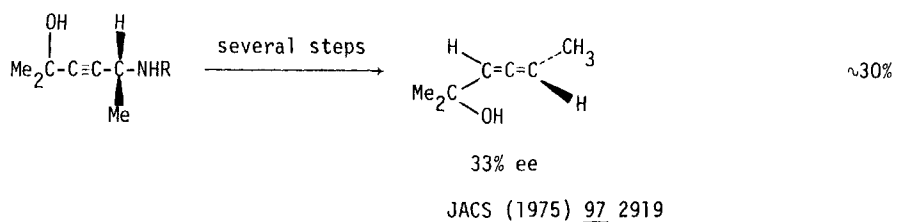
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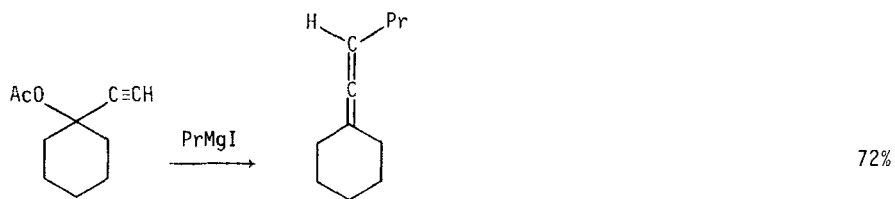
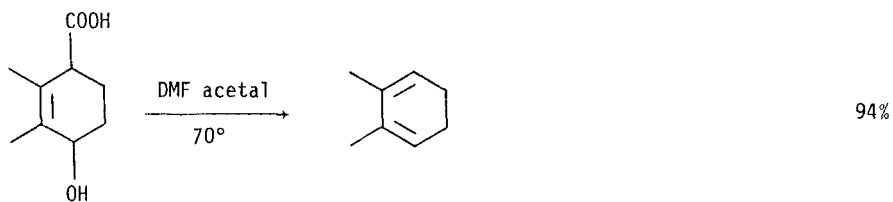
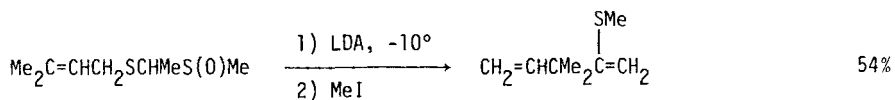
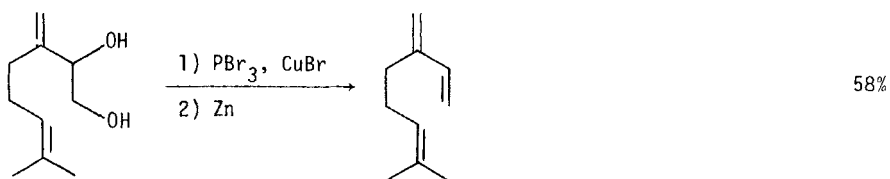
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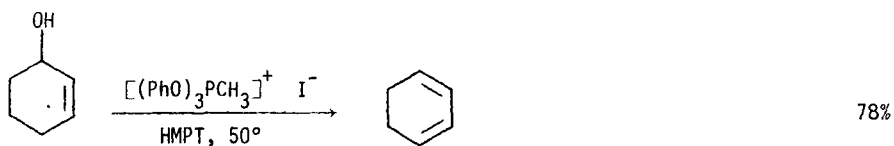
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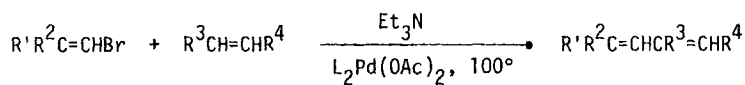
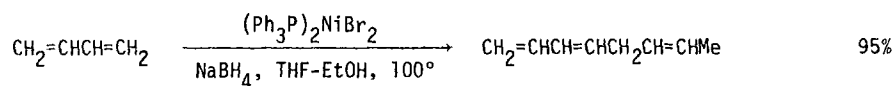
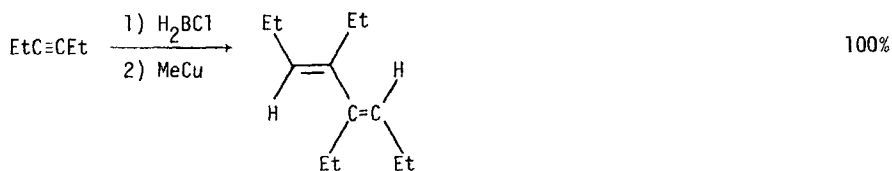
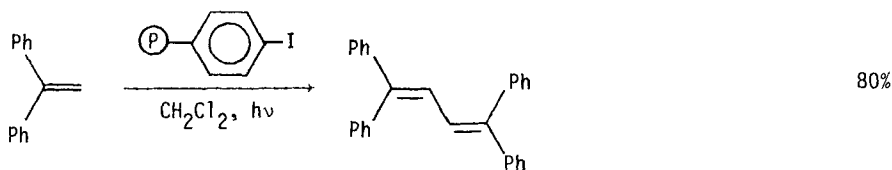
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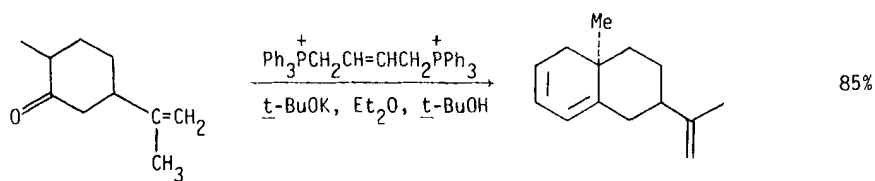
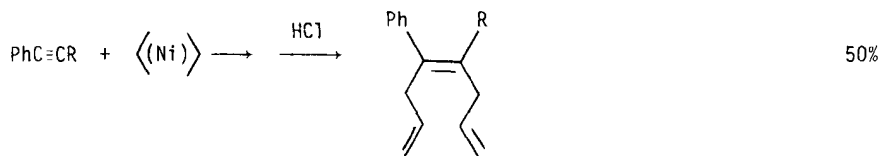
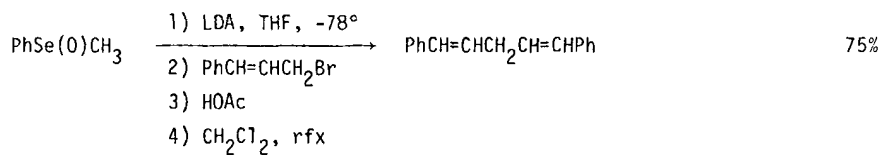
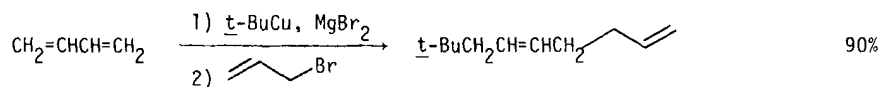
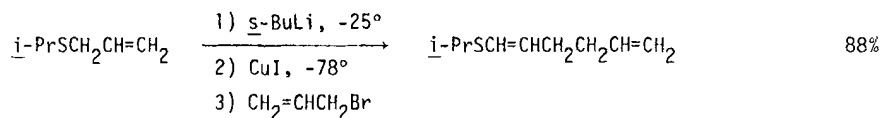


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