

Apoptosis and Apoptolidin

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The definition of apoptosis



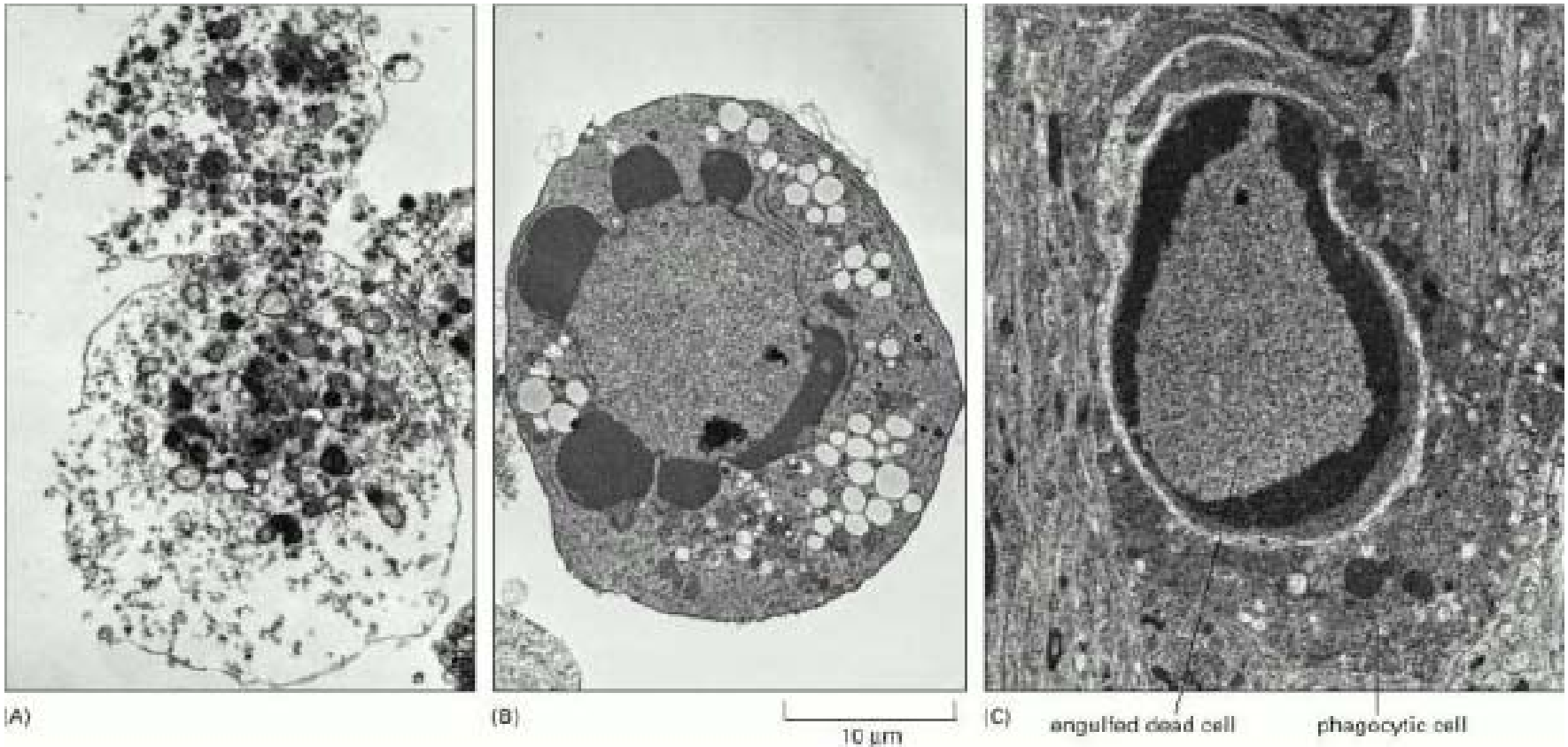
Apoptosis --- programmed cell death.

Necrosis --- death of cells that is less orderly than apoptosis.

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Apoptosis vs. Necrosis



Necrosis: Cell lysis occurs, more destructive process.

Apoptosis: Cells undergo death neatly without damaging their neighbors.

Functions of apoptosis

1. Cell damage

The capability of apoptosis is damaged or the initiation of apoptosis is blocked → Cancer.

2. Homeostasis

The number of cells should be constant within a certain range → in tumor or Alzheimer's disease, homeostasis is often disrupted.

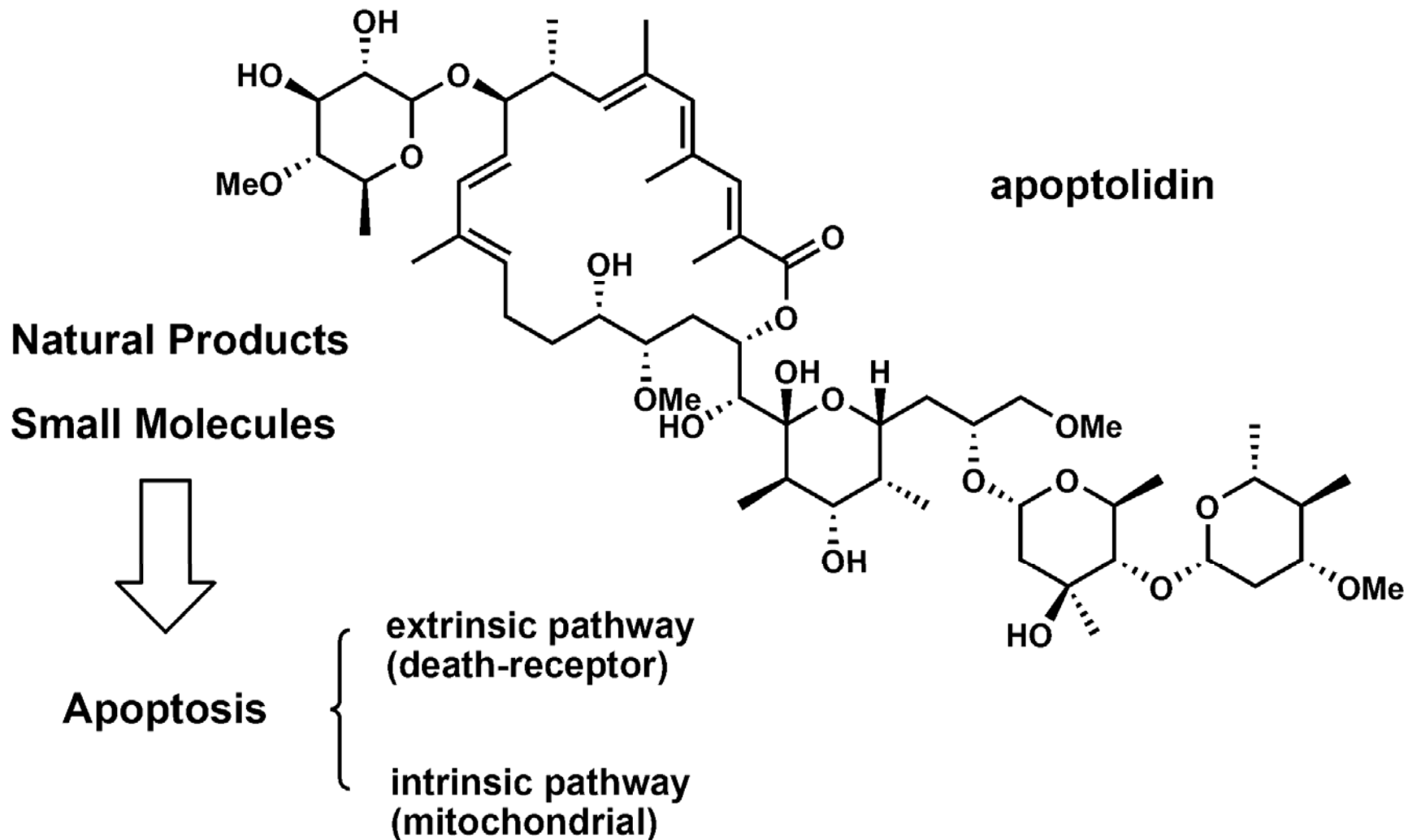
3. Development

Selective apoptosis is crucial for tissue development in multicellular organisms.

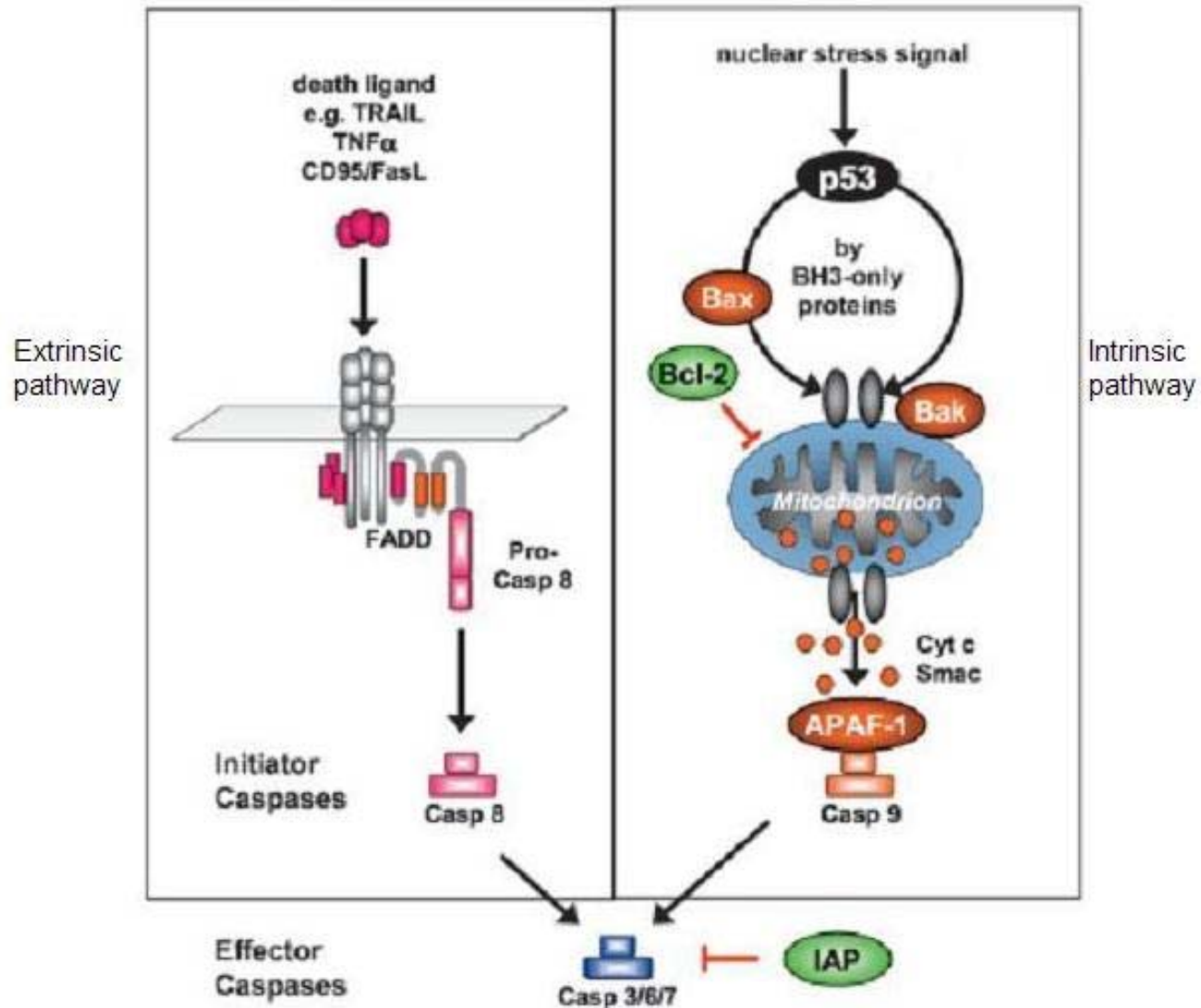
4. Immune cell regulation

Apoptosis of potentially damaging immature B or T cells → Preventing autoimmune reactions.

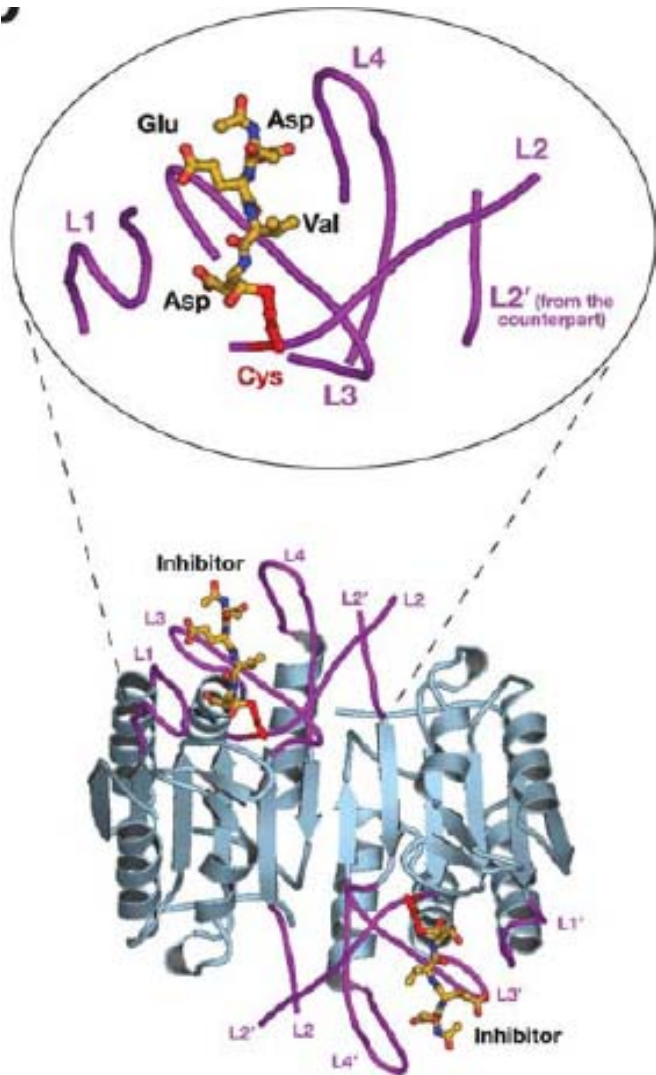
Outline: Natural products & Apoptosis



Apoptotic pathways in mammalian cells



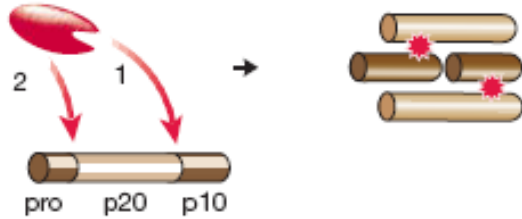
Caspases: “central executioners” of apoptosis



1. Caspases are a family of cysteine proteases and cleave their substrates at specific aspartic acids.
2. Caspases are synthesized as proenzymes, which should be activated to execute their functions.
3. The functions of caspases involve the cleavage of cytosolic proteins, the cleavage of nuclear lamin, and freeing the DNase in the cell nucleus.
4. Caspase activity can be eliminated through mutation or use small pharmacological inhibitors.

Mechanisms of caspase activation

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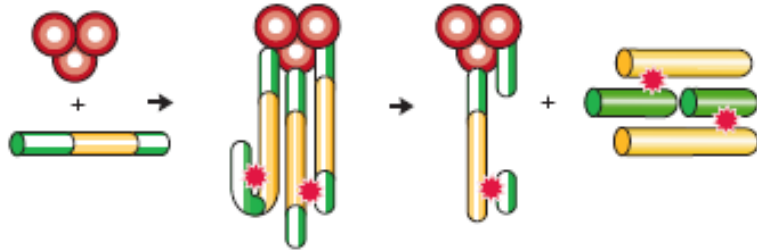


a. Cleavage by an upstream caspase.

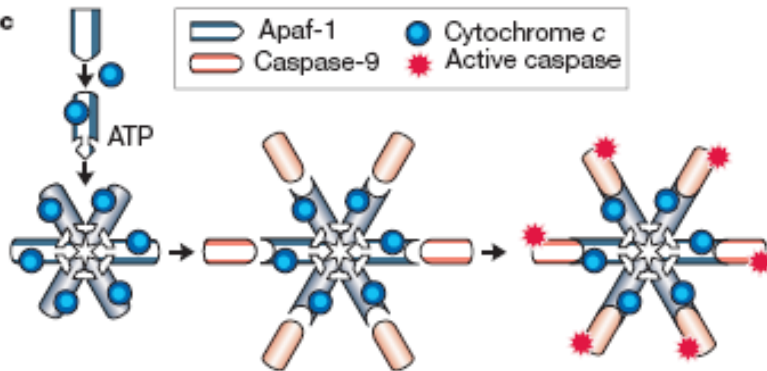
b. Induced proximity.

c. Association with a regulatory subunit to form a wheel-like heptamer.

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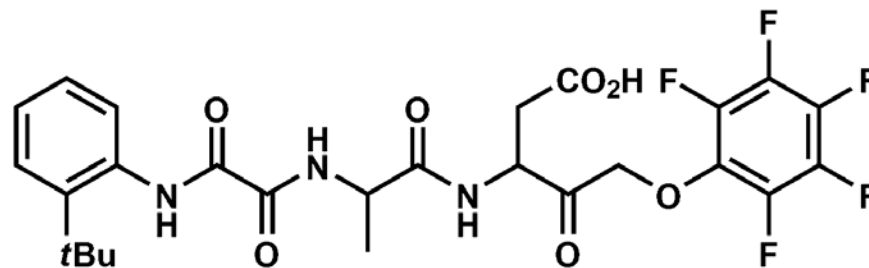
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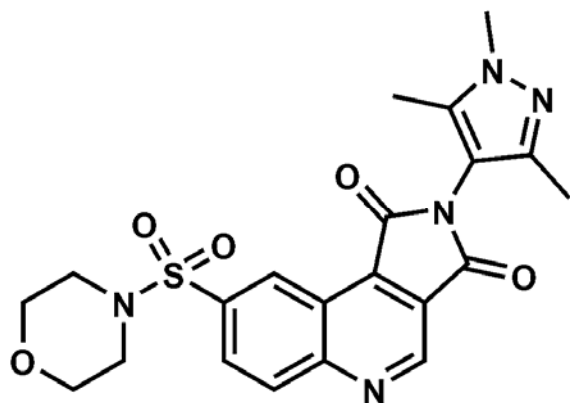
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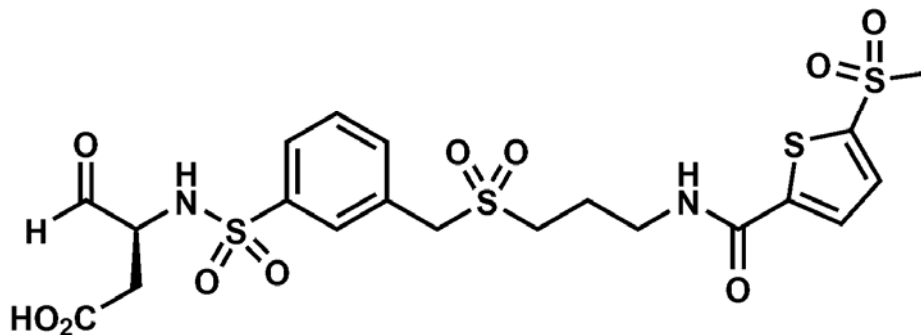
Caspases as drug targets



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Ivatchenko's caspase-3 inhibitor



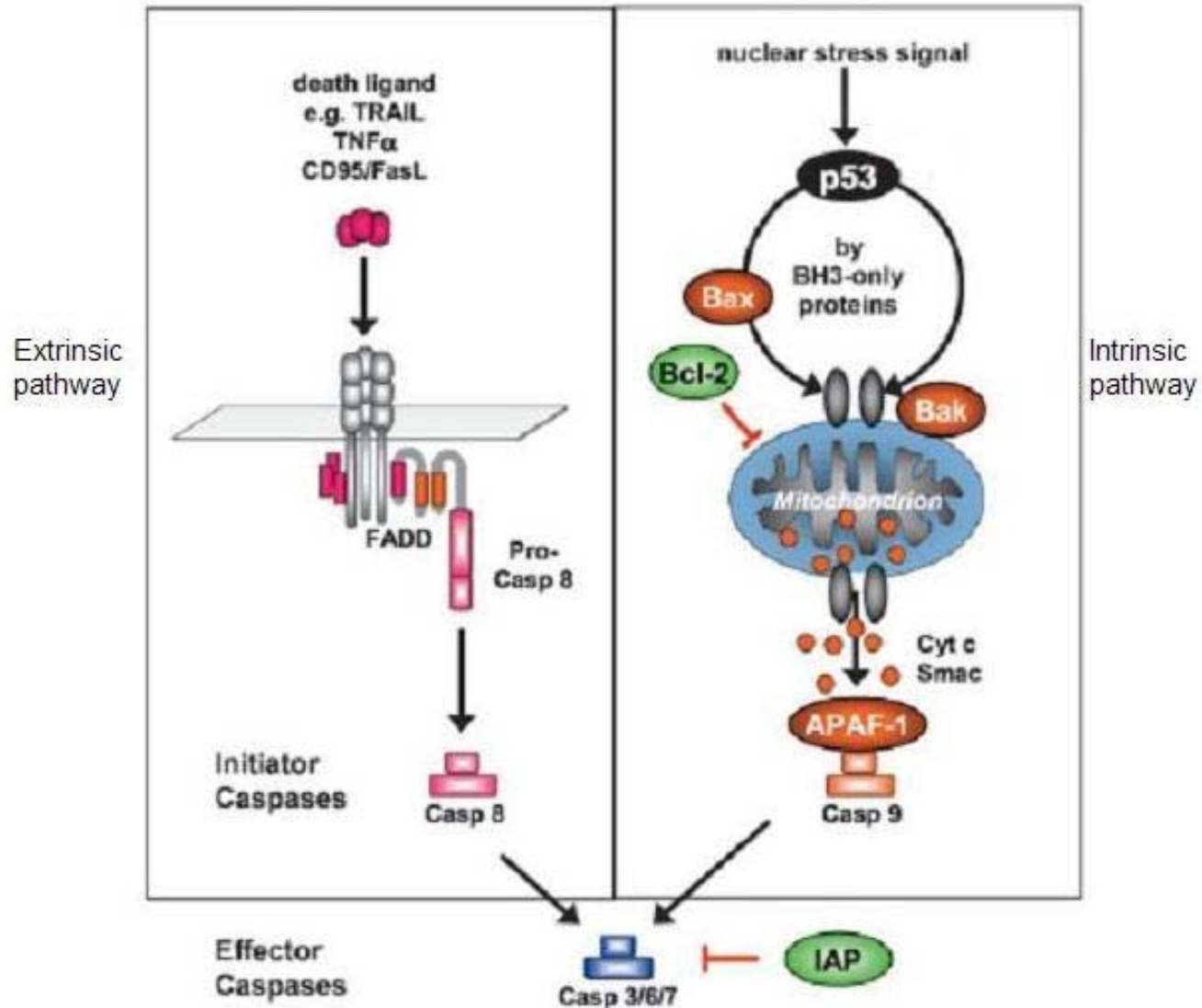
Sunesis' caspase-3 inhibitor

The inhibitors usually contain a strong electrophilic group and bind with cysteine irreversibly.

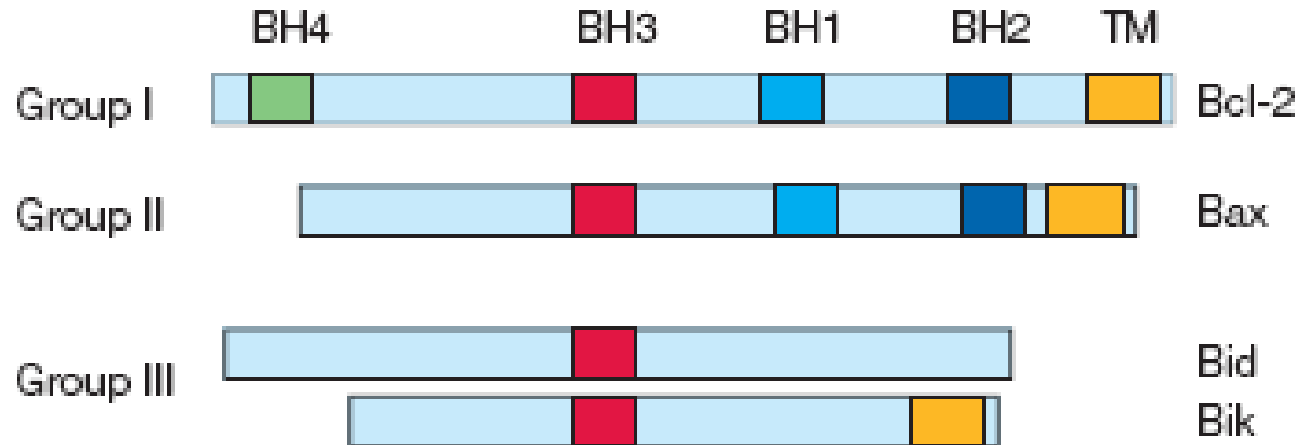
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Apoptotic pathways in mammalian cells



Regulators: Bcl-2 family



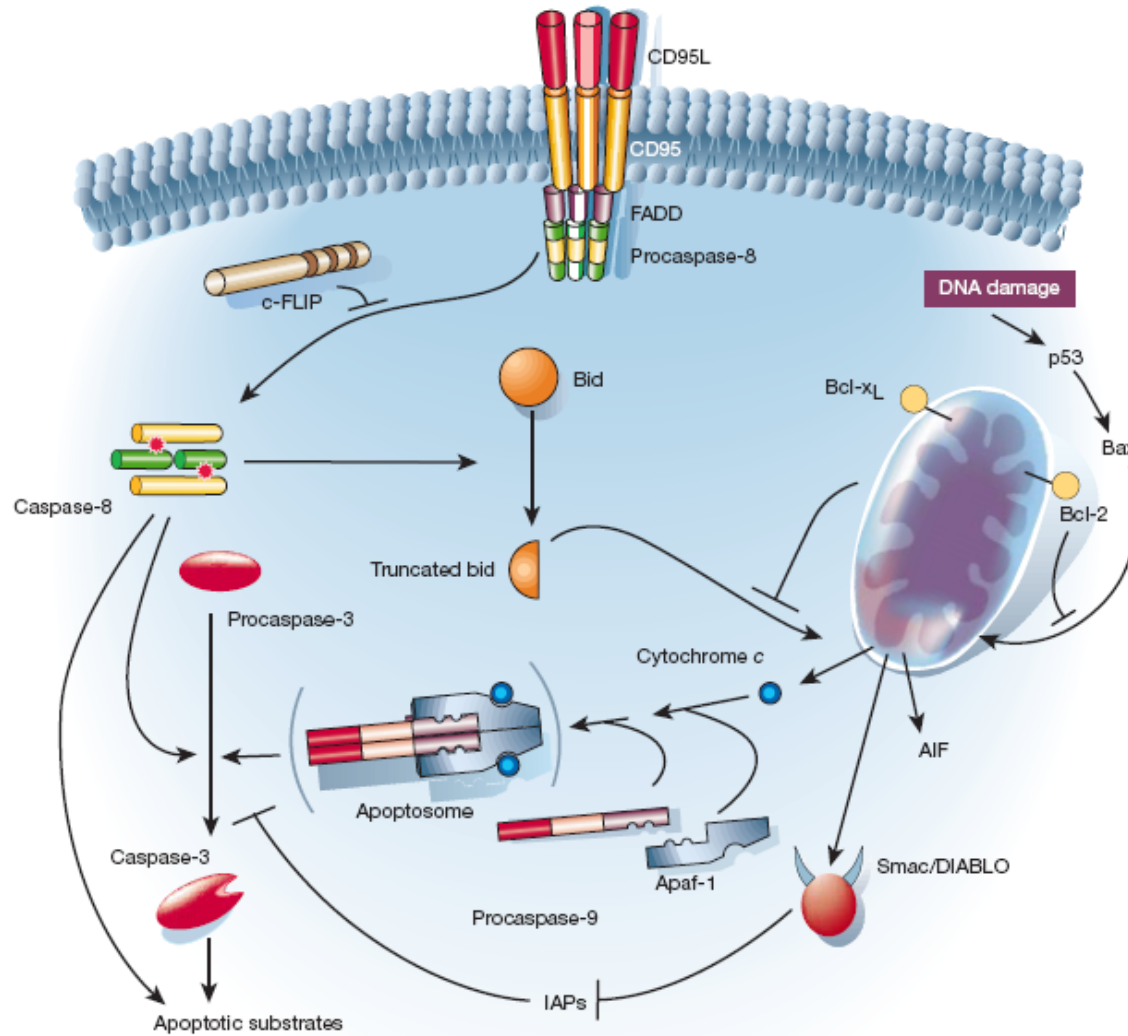
Group I: Bcl-2 and Bcl-XL possess anti-apoptotic activity.

Group II and III: Bax, Bak and Bid, Bik possess pro-apoptotic activity.

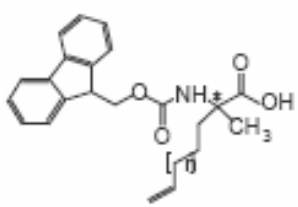
Bcl-2 family members meet at the surface of mitochondria and control homeostasis of the mitochondria.

Protein interaction between Bcl-2 family members is mediated through α -helical BH3 domain.

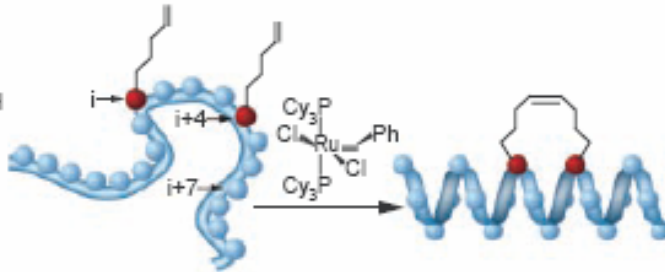
Bid: a link between intrinsic & extrinsic pathways



A hydrocarbon-stapled BH3 Helix



n=1: S5, R5
n=4: S8



Compound

BID BH3

SAHB_A

SAHB_A(G→E)

SAHB_B

SAHB_C

SAHB_D

Sequence

EDIIRNIARHLA QVGDSN_LDRSIW

EDIIRNIARHLA *VGD *N_LDRSIW

EDIIRNIARHLA *VED *N_LDRSIW

EDIIRNI *RHL *QVGDSN_LDRSIW

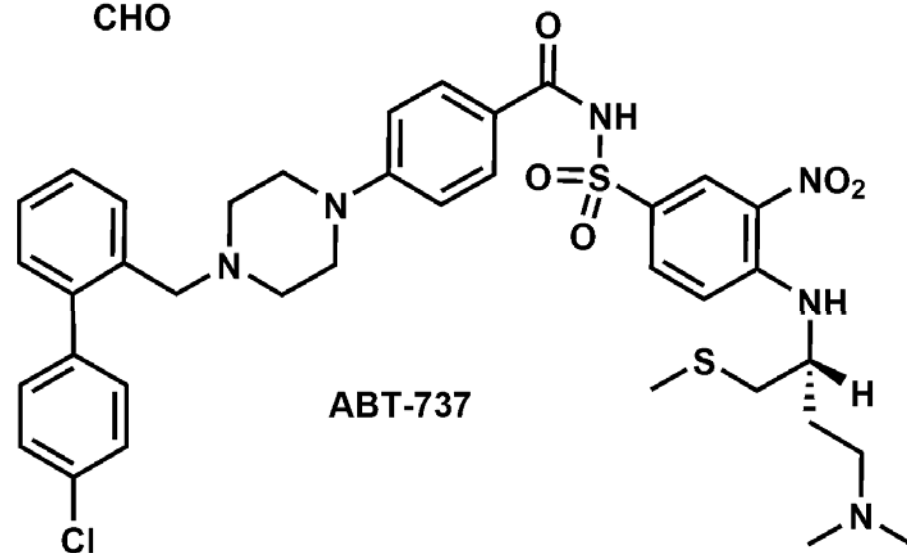
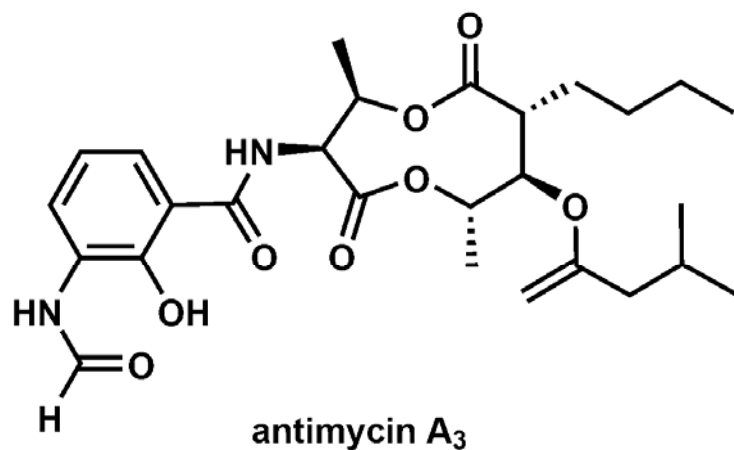
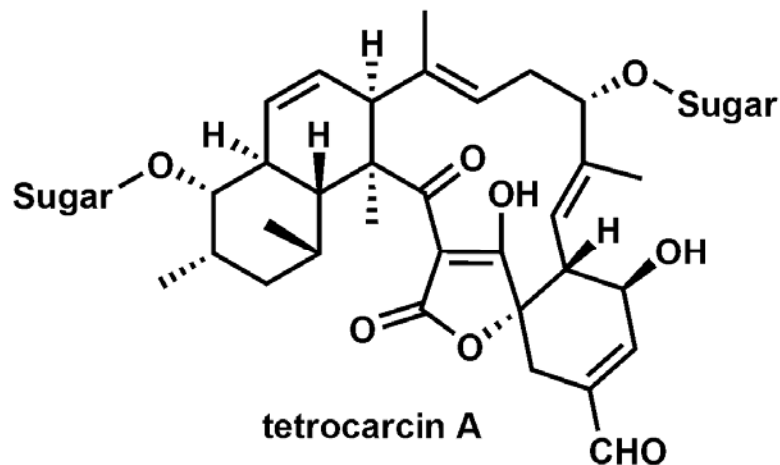
EDIIRNIA *HLA *VGDSN_LDRSIW

EDIIRNIAR *LAQVGD *N_LDRSIW

*=S5, *=R5, *=S8, N_L=norleu

1. SAHBs (stabilized α -helix of Bcl-2 domains) are helical, protease-resistant, and cell-permeable molecules.
2. SAHBs bind with increased affinity to multidomain Bcl-2 member pockets.
3. SAHBs promote apoptosis.

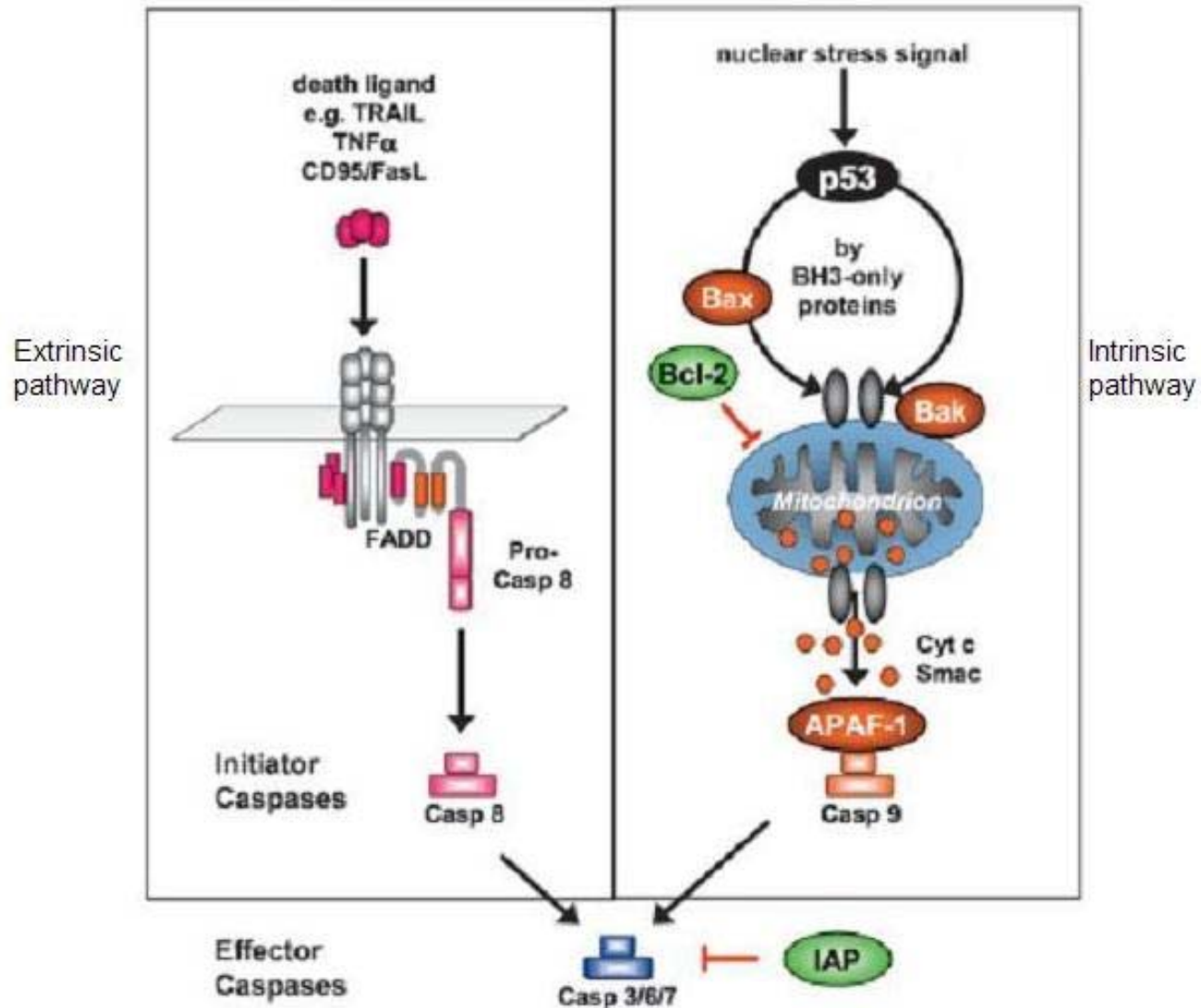
Bcl-2 Inhibitors



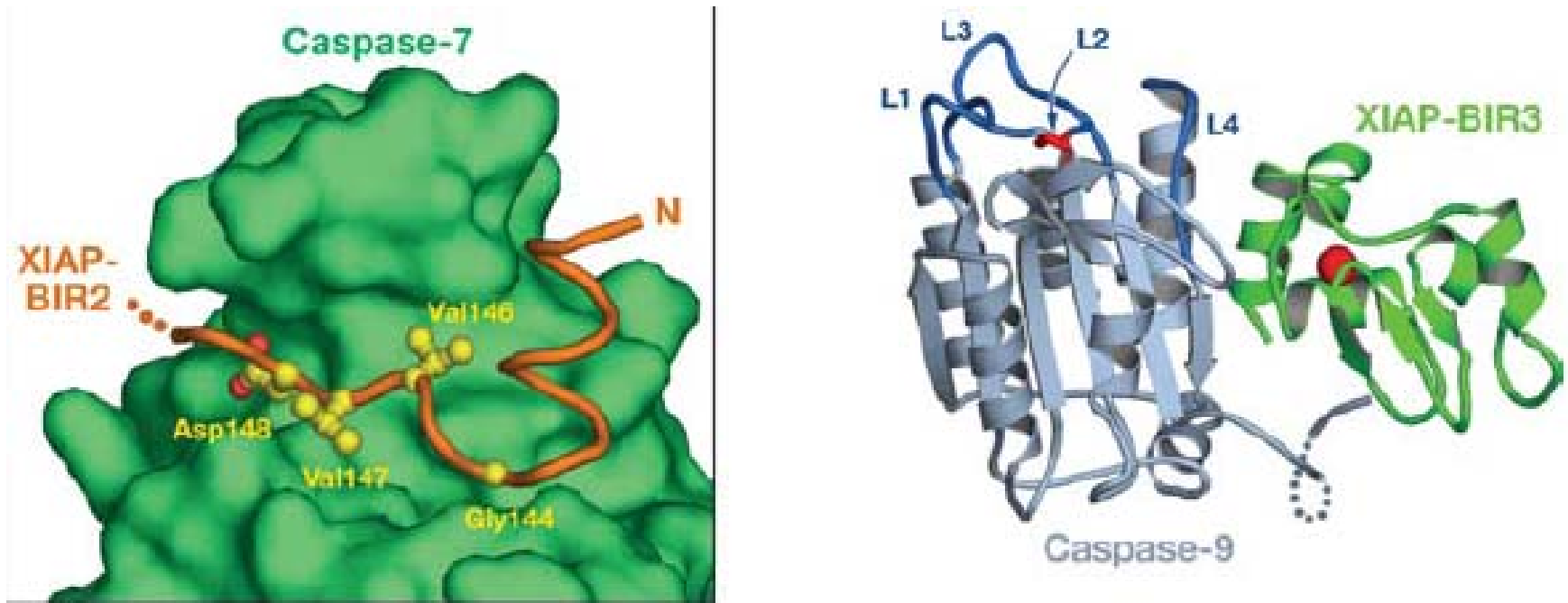
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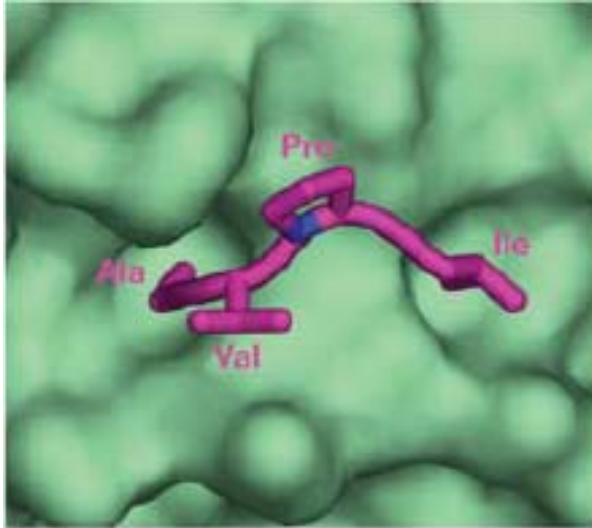


Regulators: IAP family

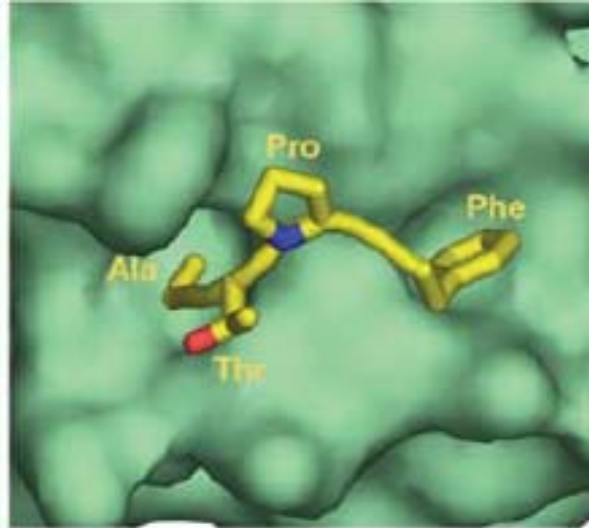


1. IAP members inhibit apoptosis by either binding to procaspases to prevent their activation or binding to caspases to inhibit their activity.
2. IAP members have at least one conserved zinc-binding BIR domain.

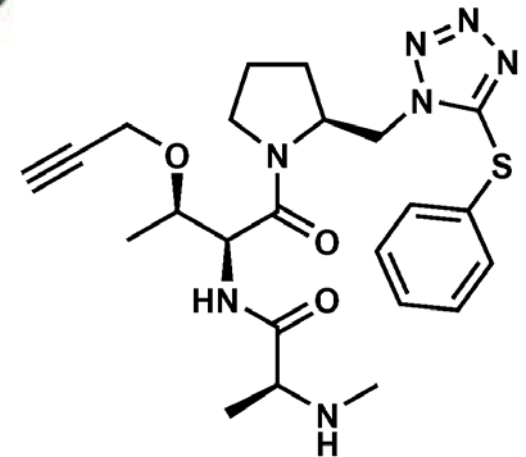
Smac-mediated removal of caspase-9 inhibition by XIAP



AVPI (Smac)
bound to BIR3 of XIAP



ATPF (Caspase-9)
bound to BIR3 of XIAP

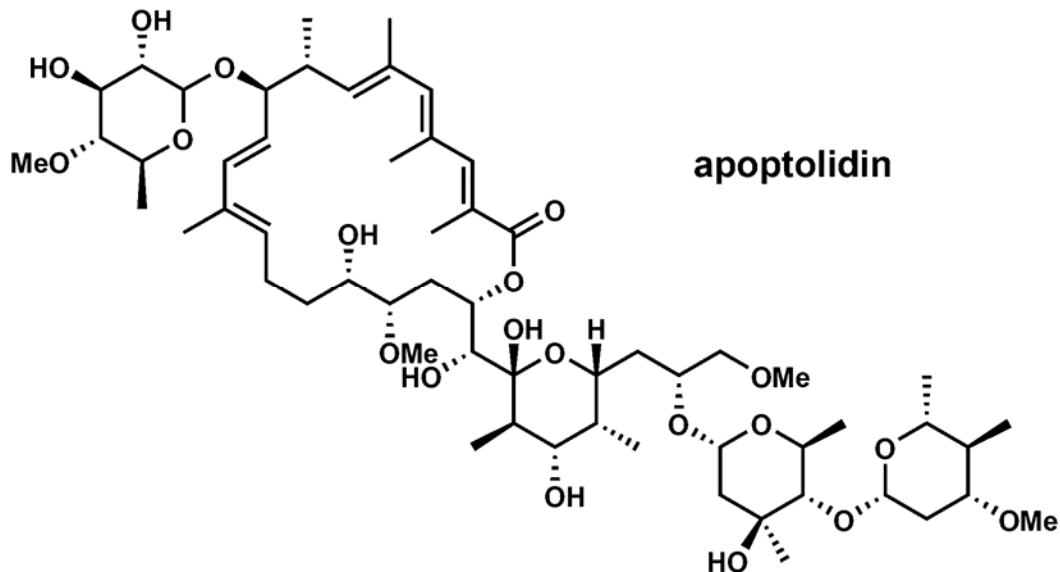


A Smac mimic

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Apoptolidin

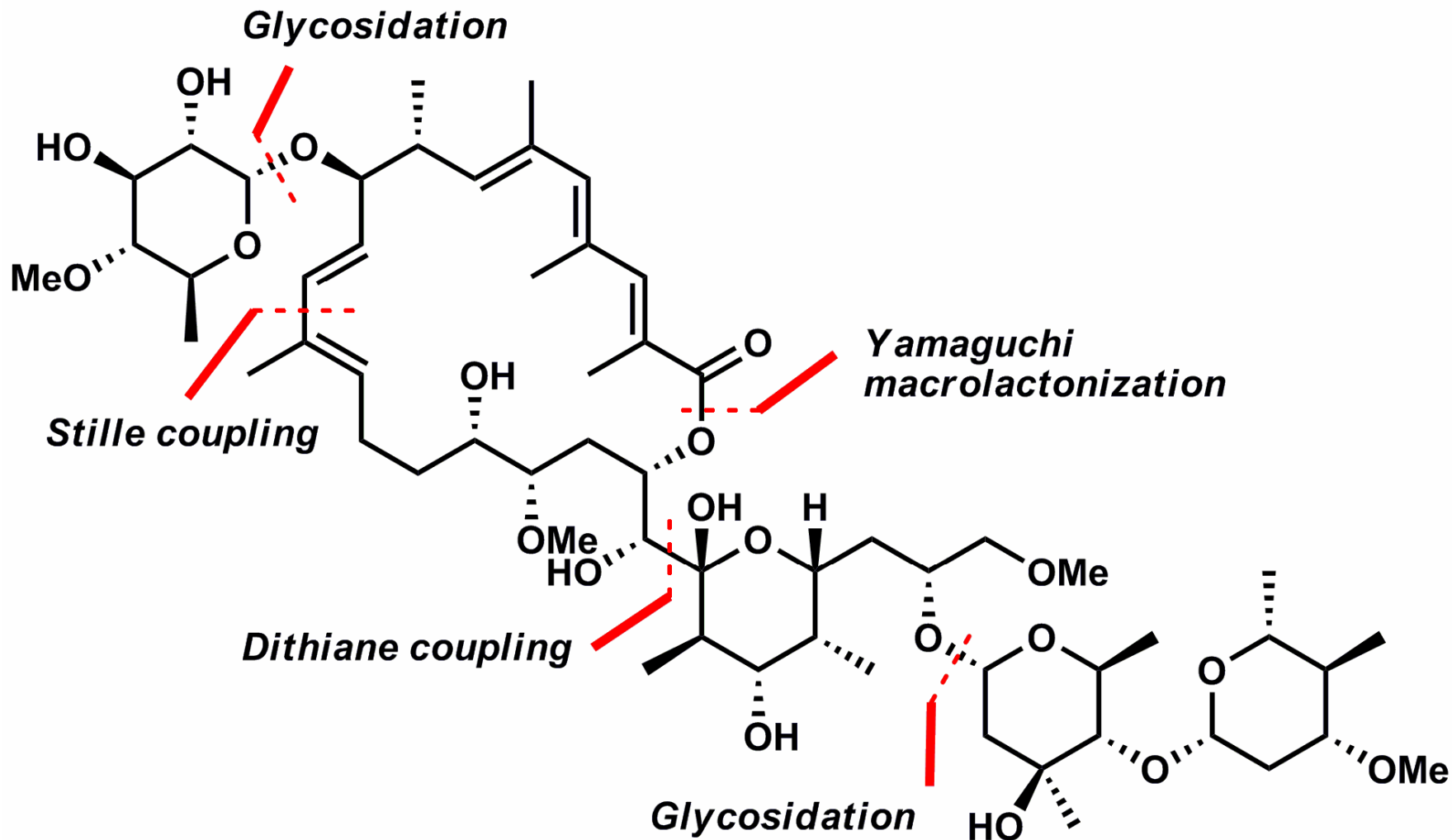


1. Apoptolidin was isolated from *Nocardioopsis* sp. in 1997.
2. Apoptolidin induces apoptosis of rat glia cells transformed with the adenovirus E1A oncogene ($IC_{50} = 11$ ng/mL).
3. Apoptolidin inhibits oxidative phosphorylation by targeting the mitochondrial F_0F_1 ATP synthase.

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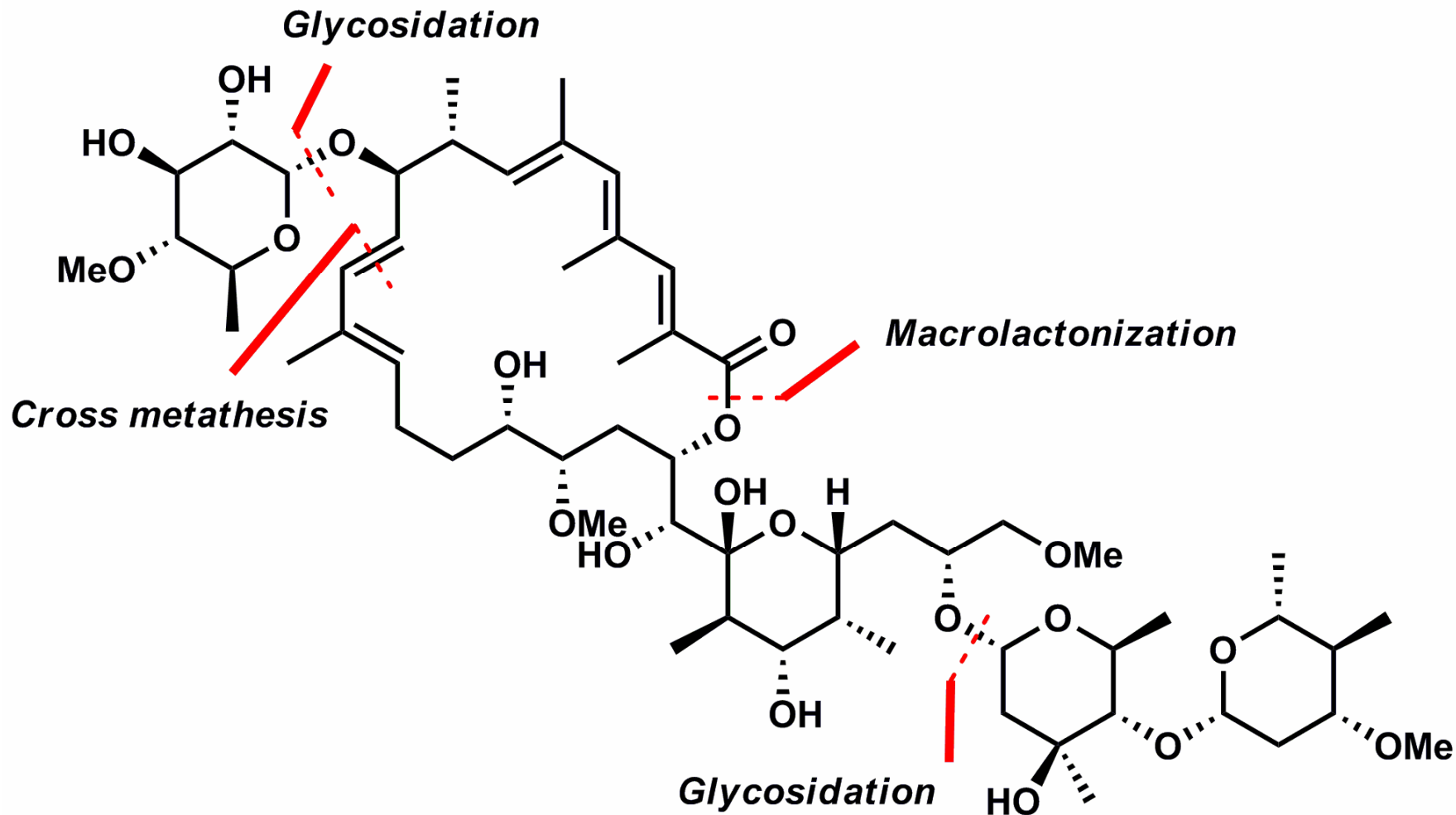
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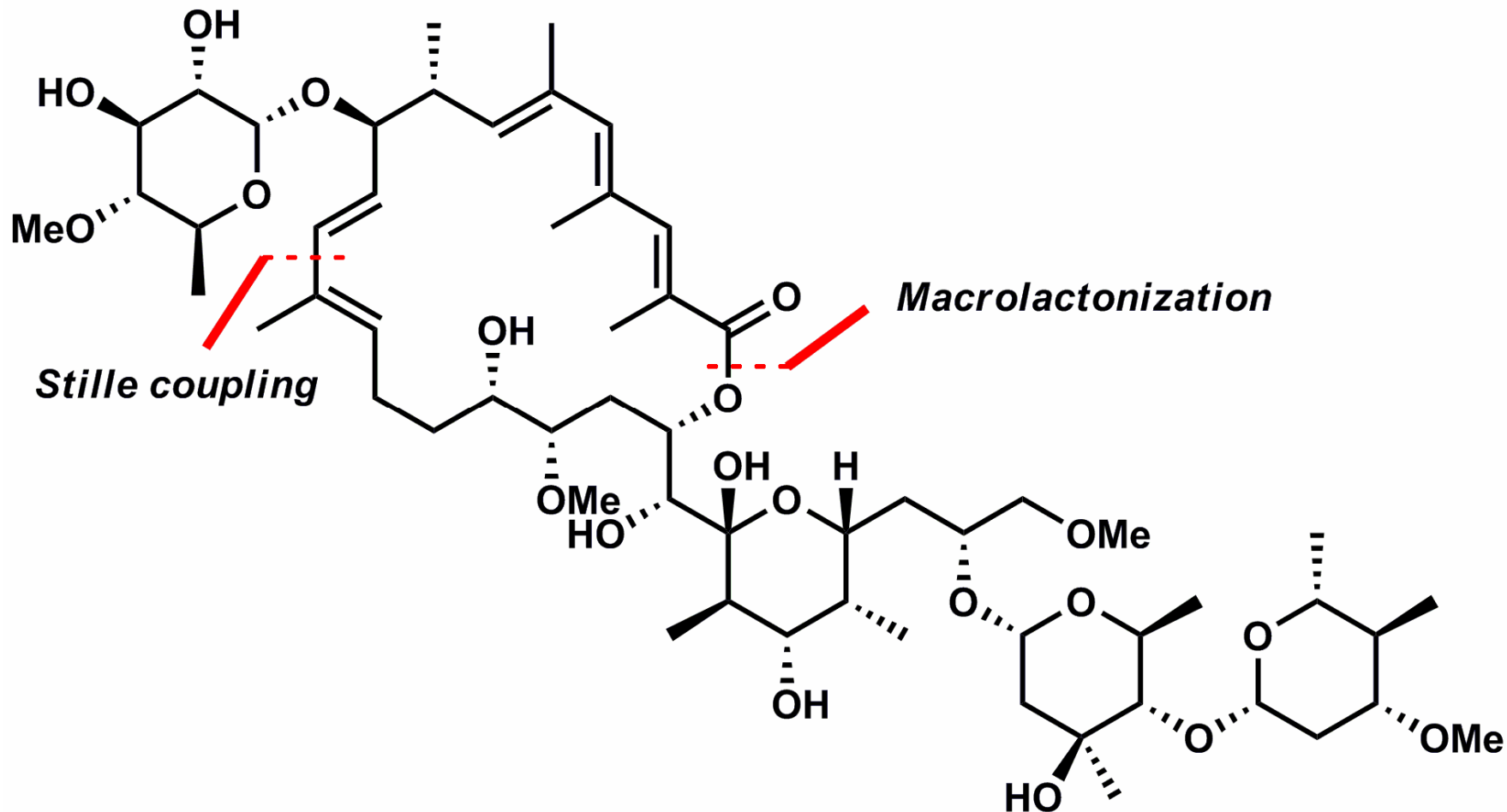
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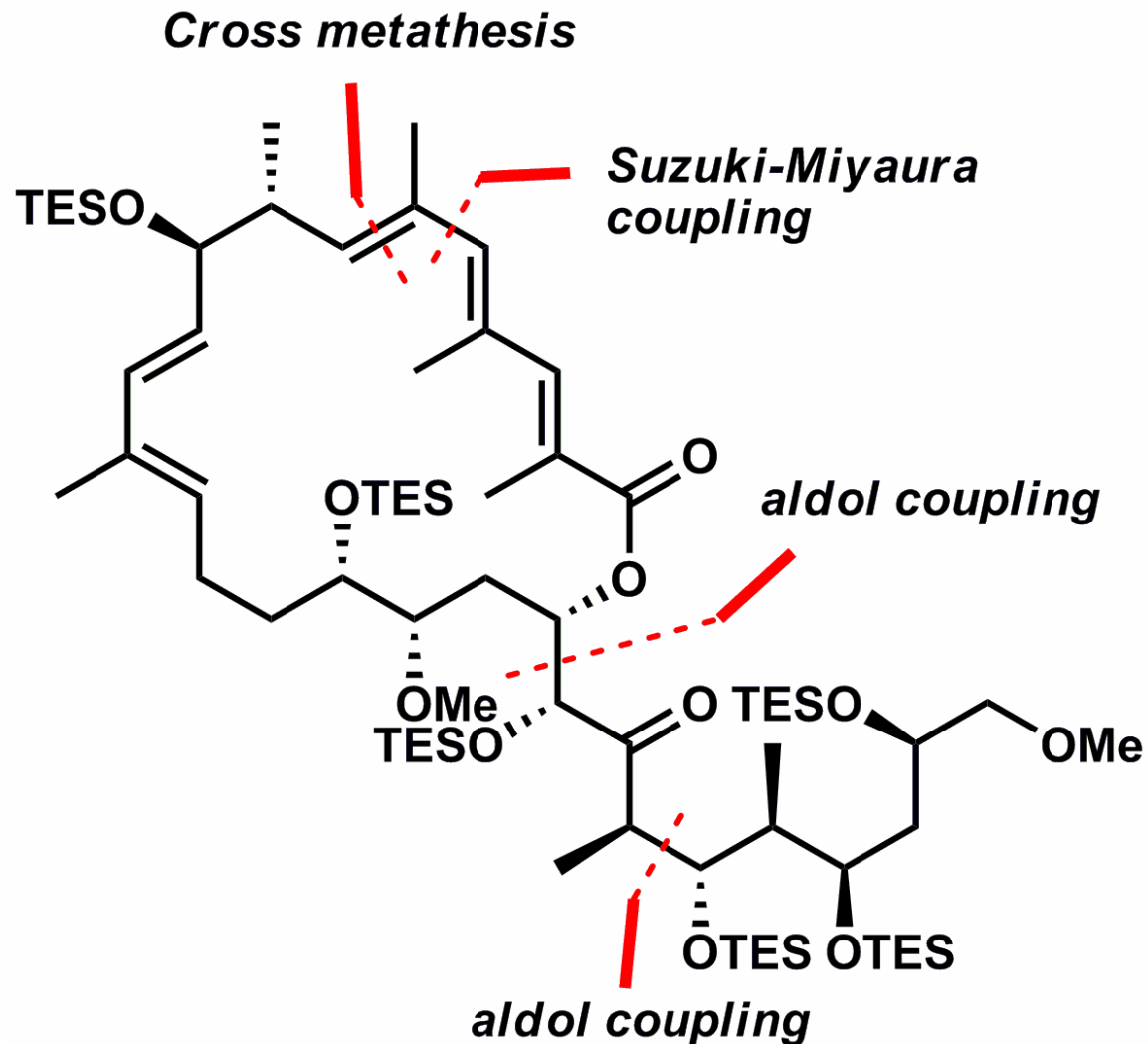
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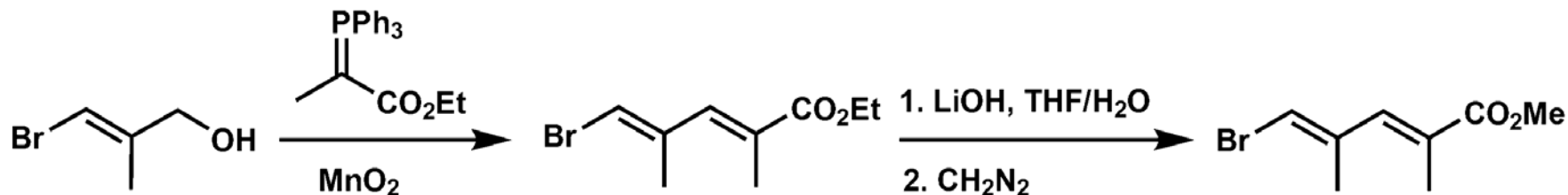
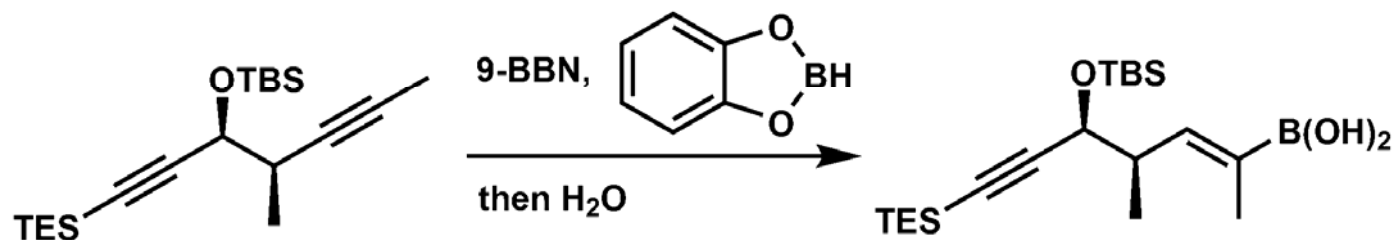
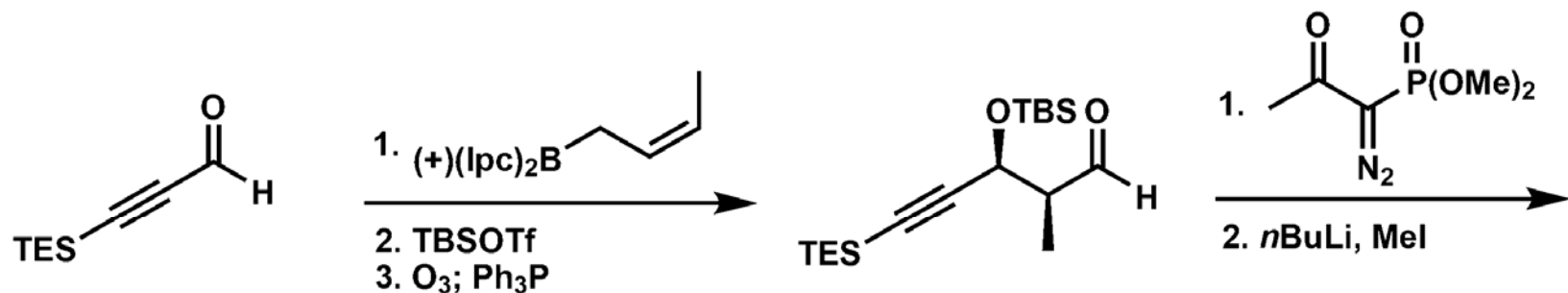
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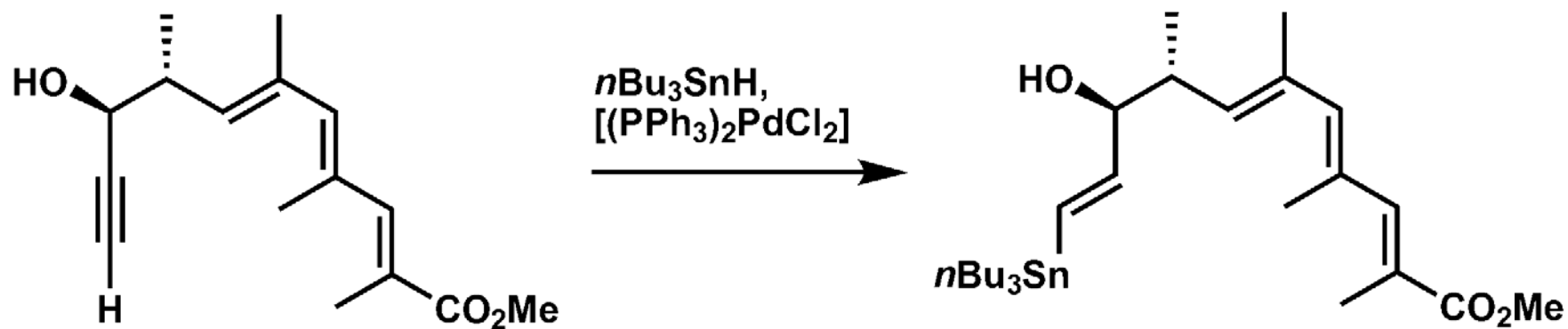
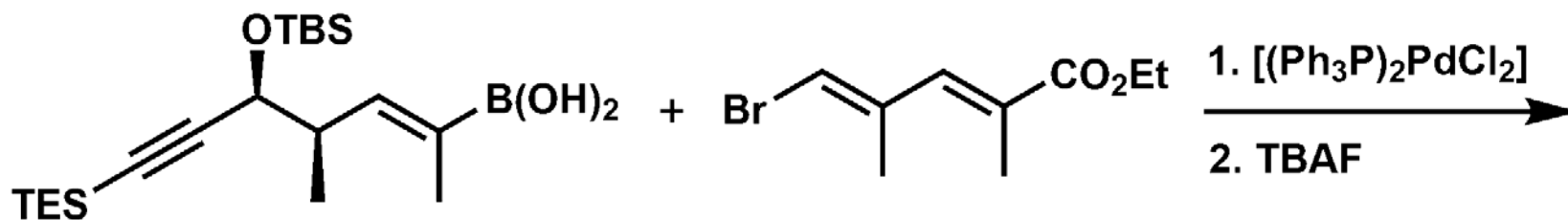
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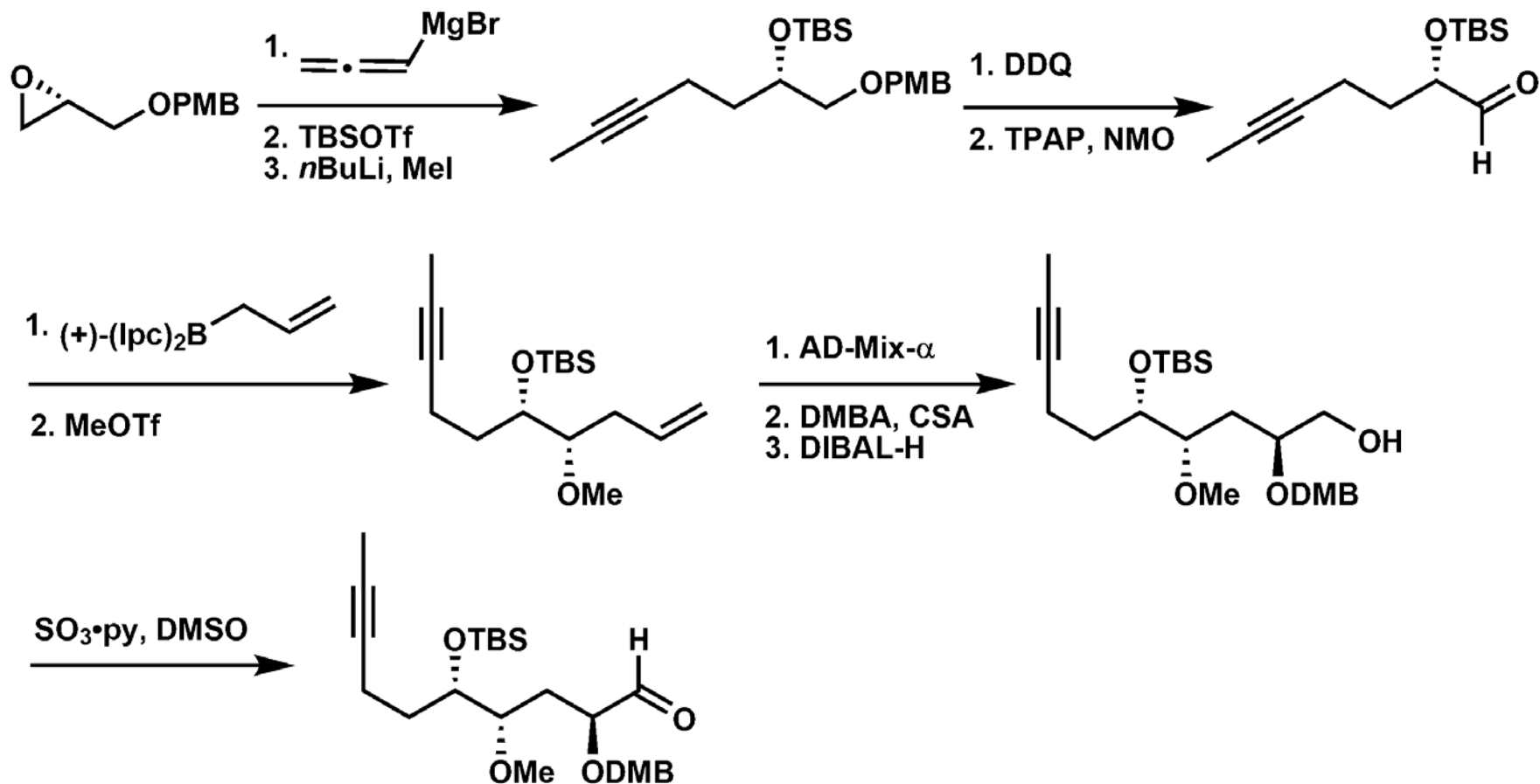
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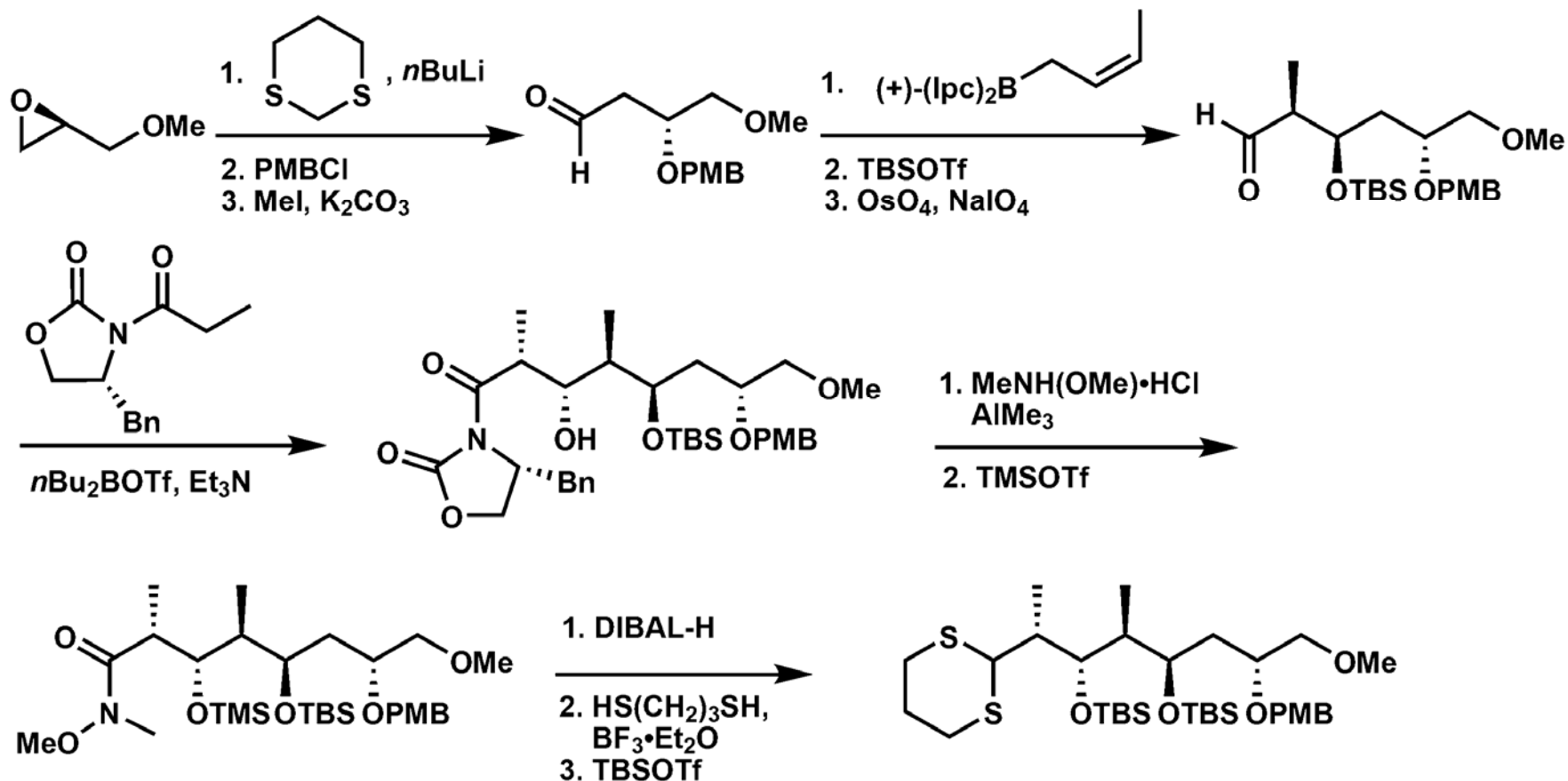
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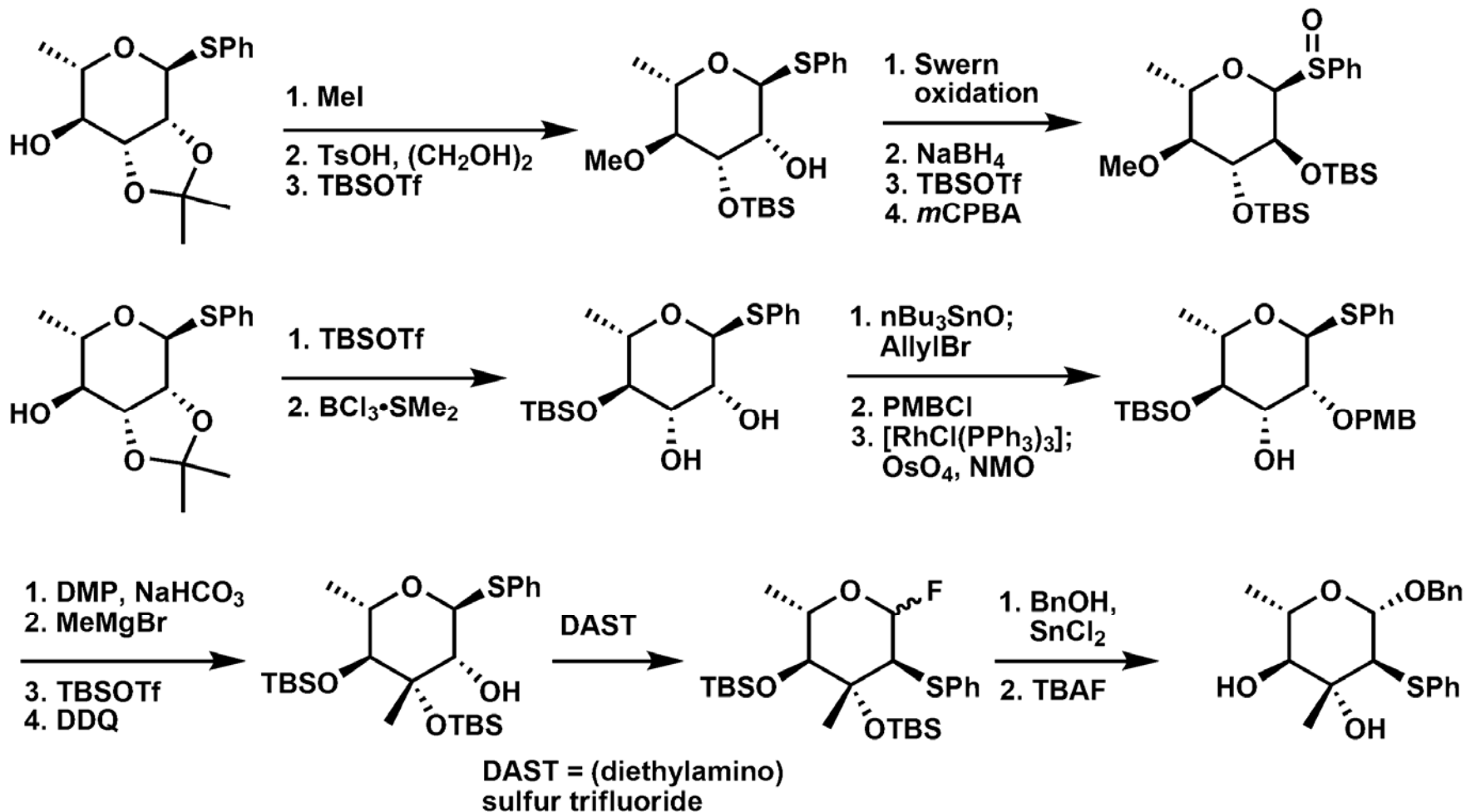
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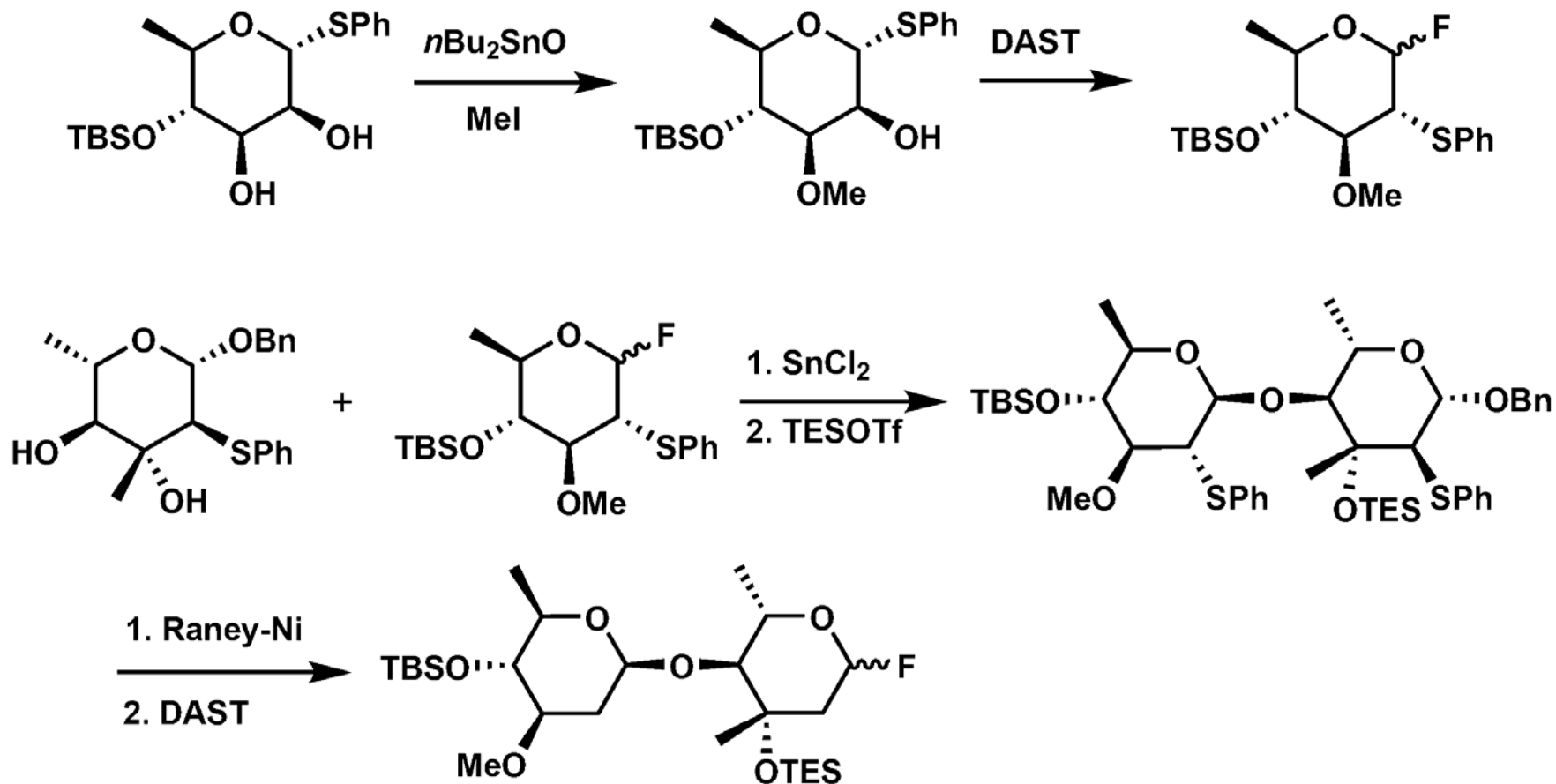
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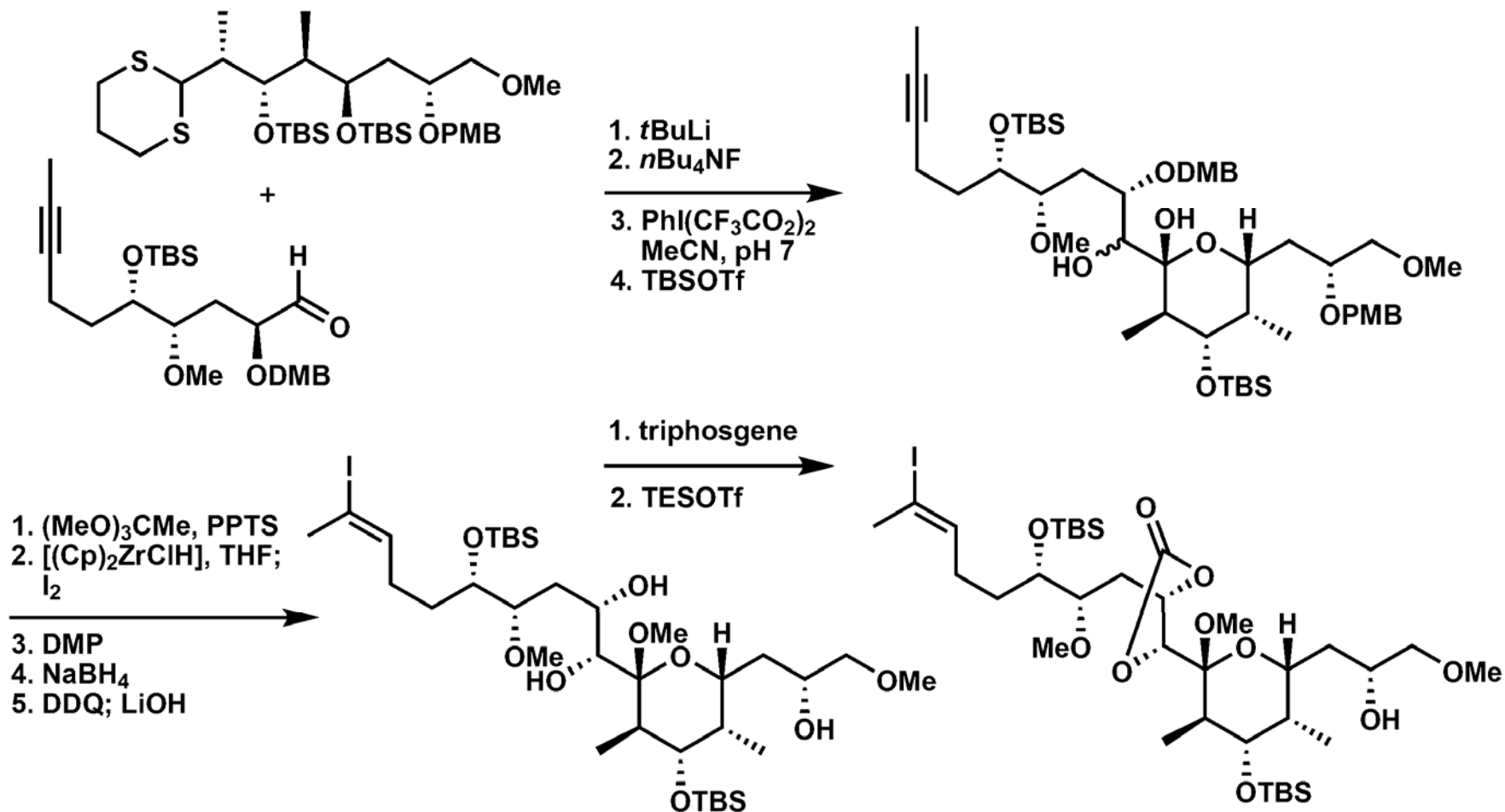
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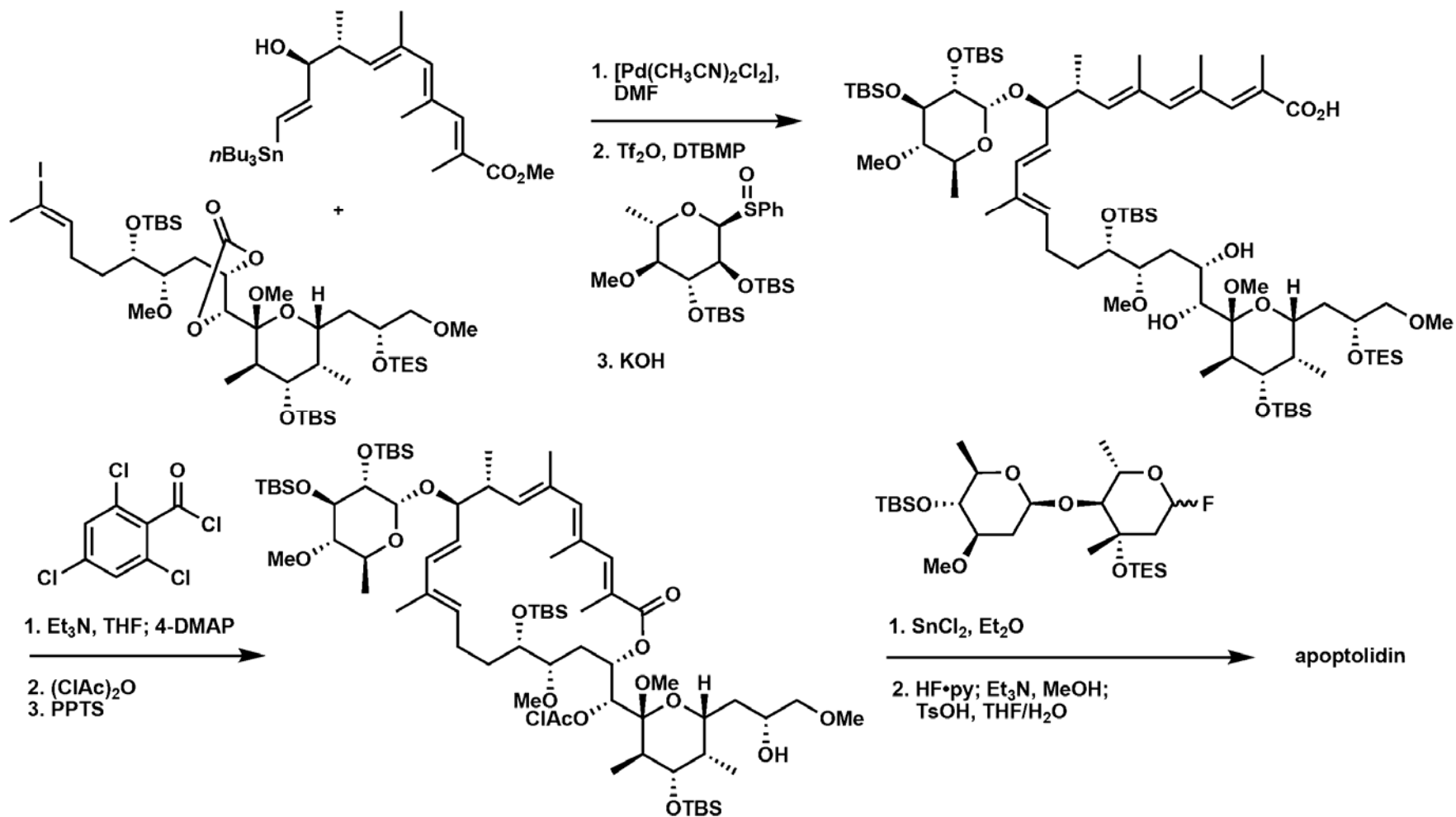
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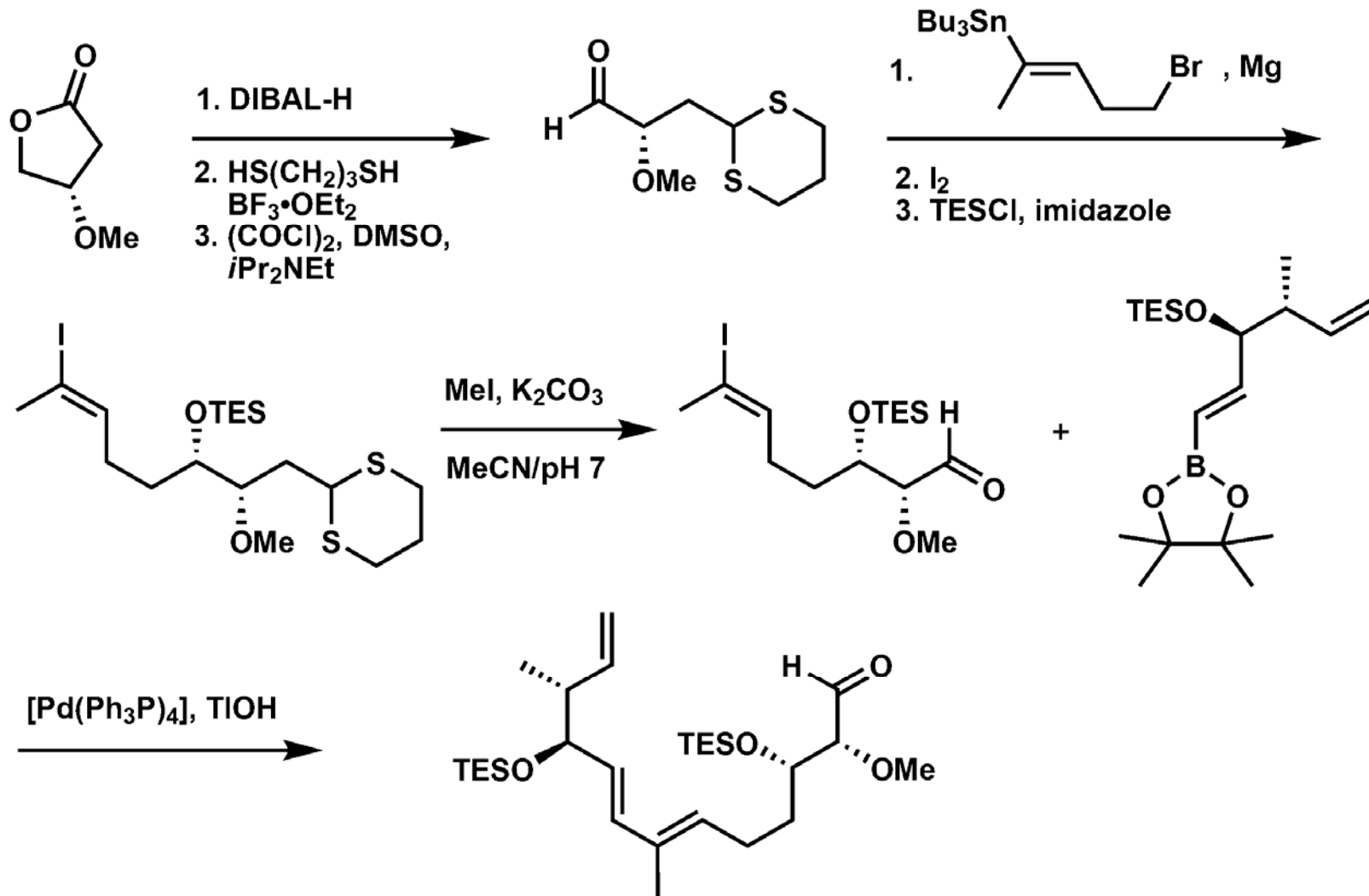
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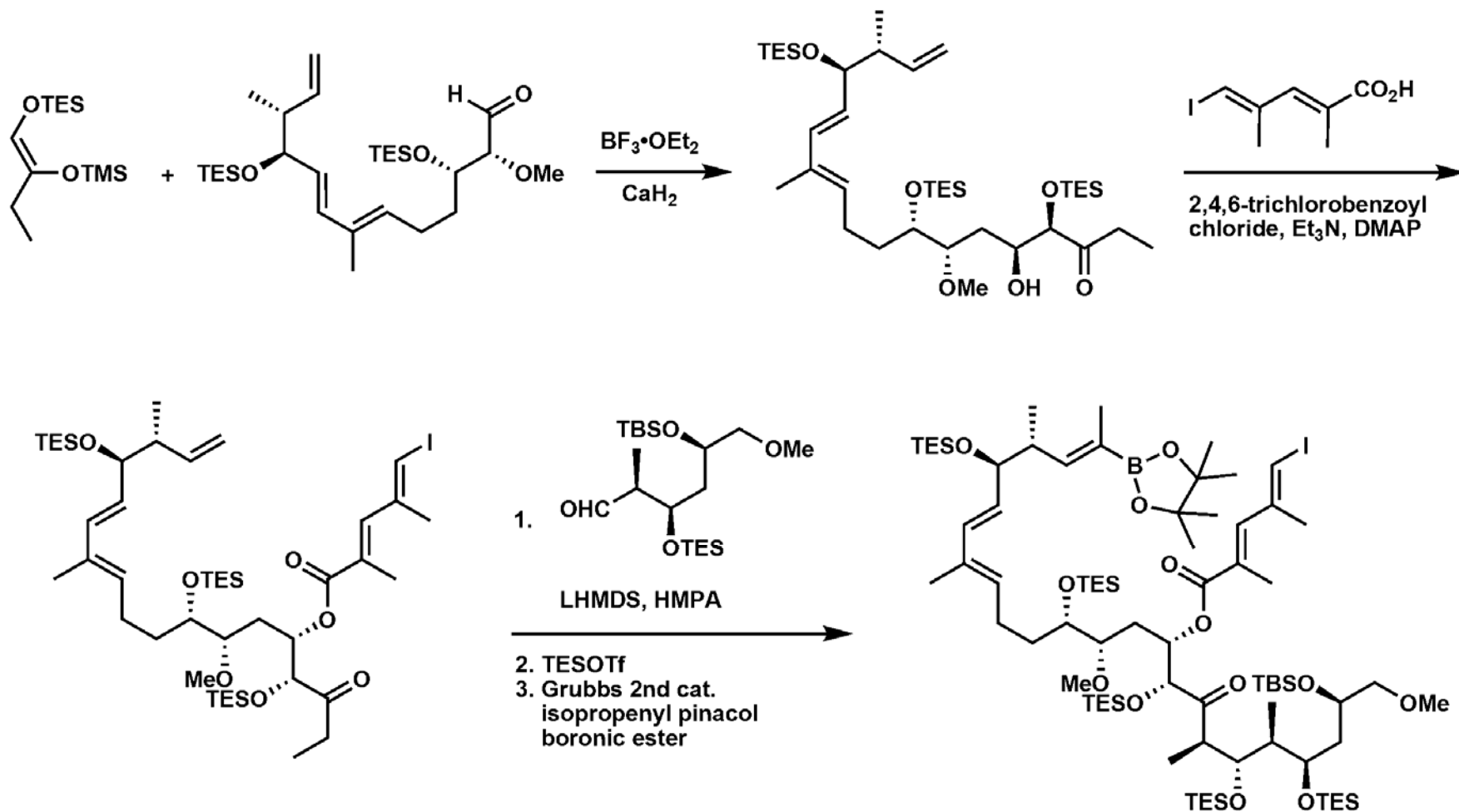
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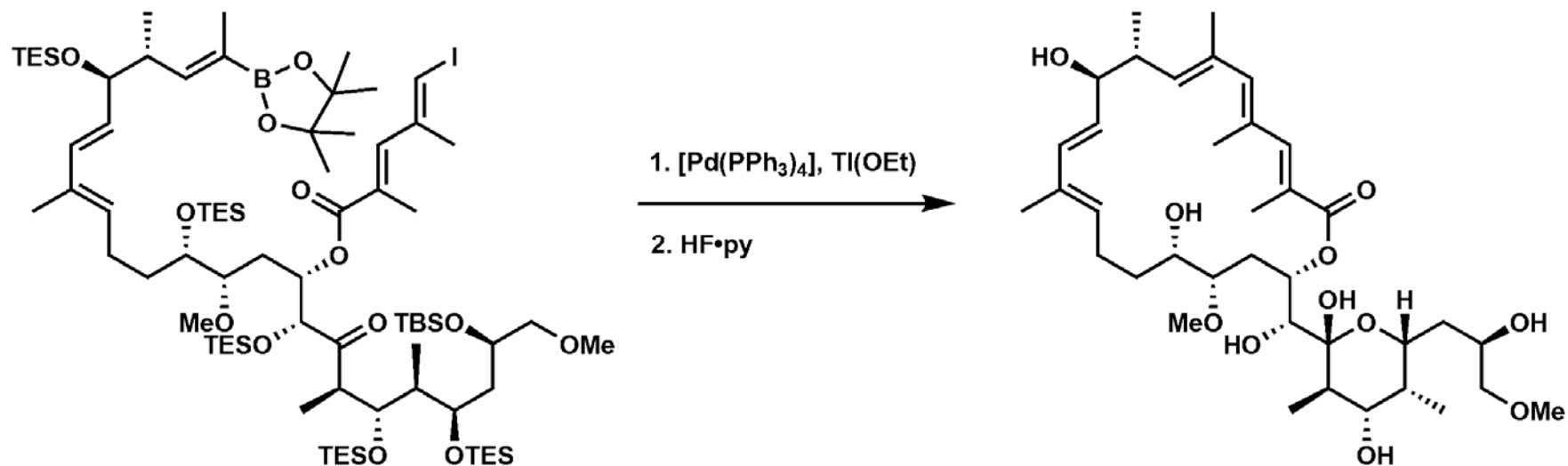
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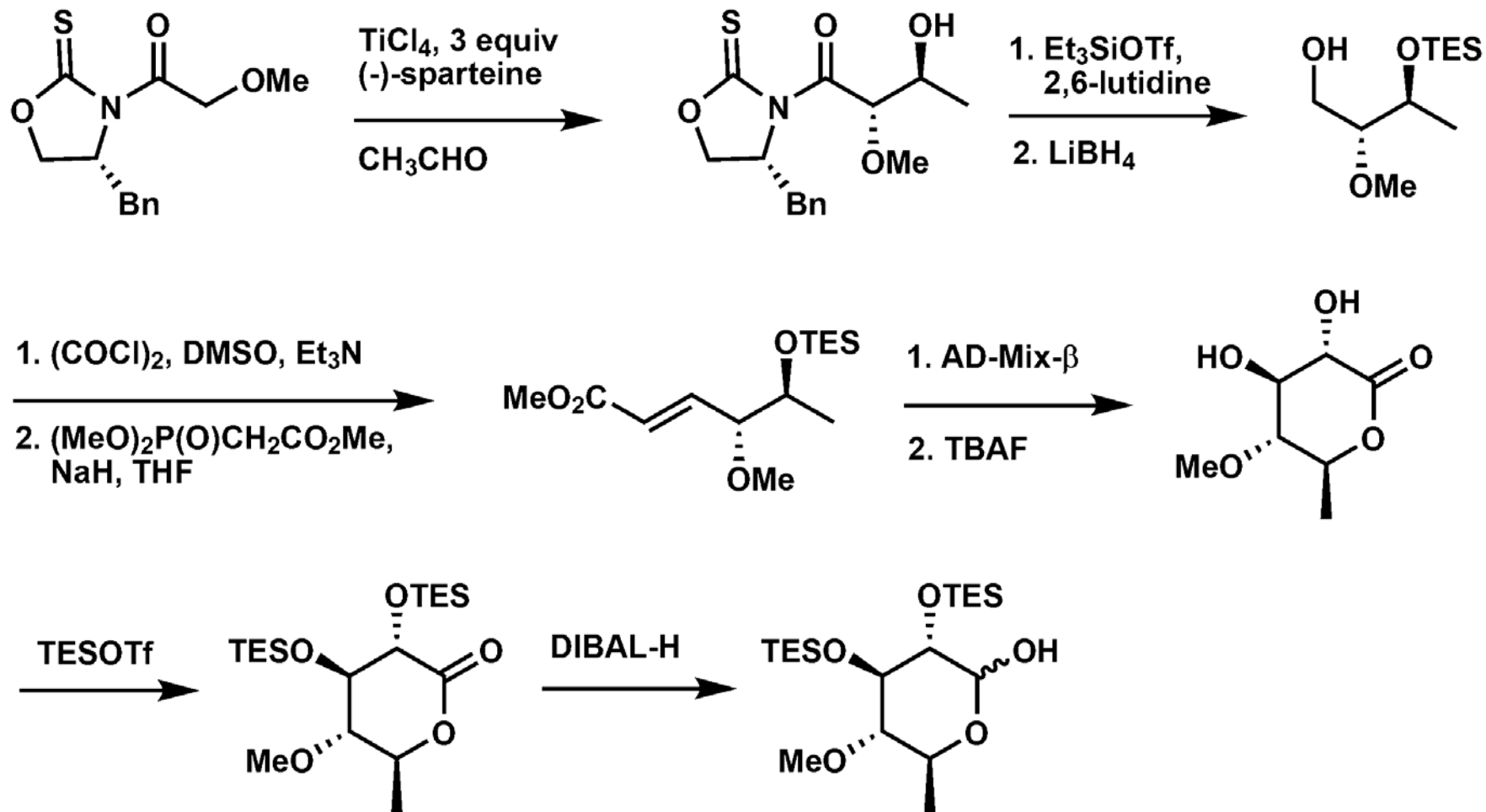
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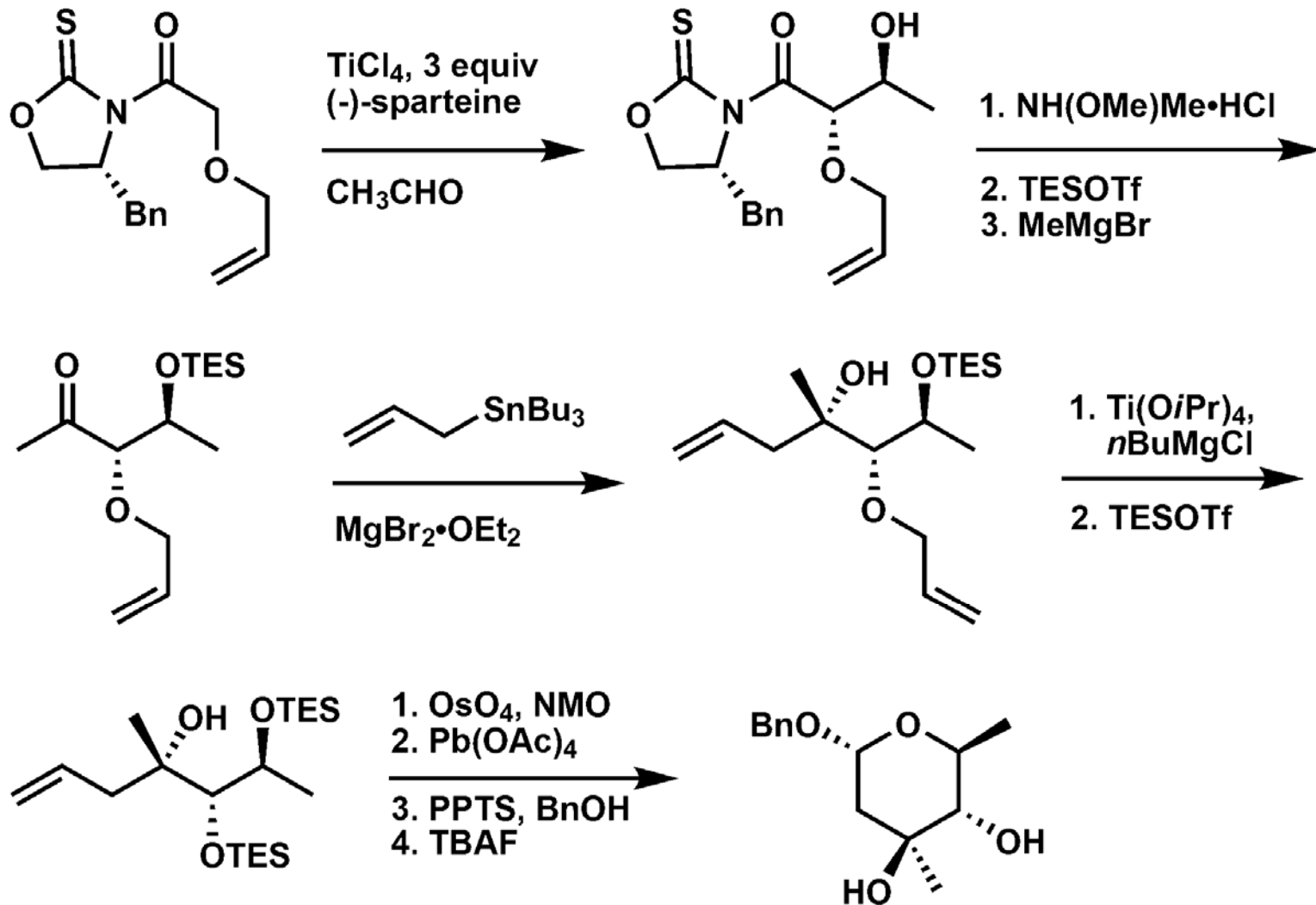
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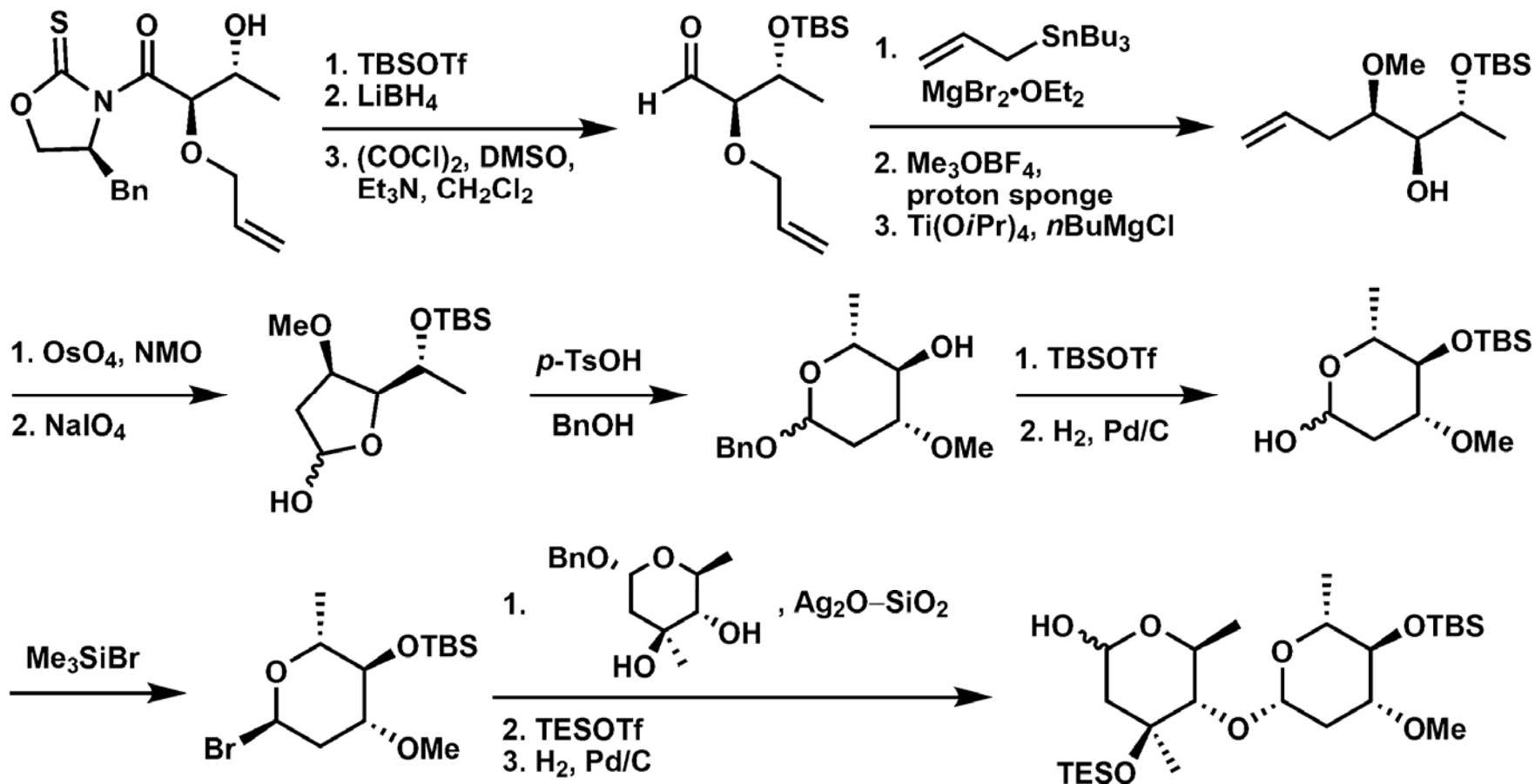
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