

First isolated in 1950, however synthetic methods did not develop for another 20 years

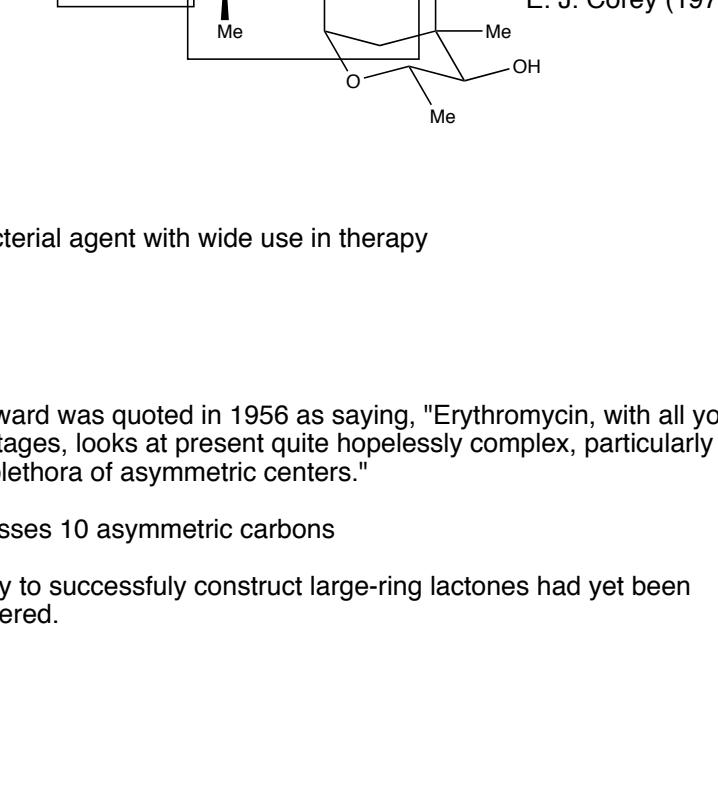
Polyketide class of natural products

Macrocyclic lactone sugars can be attached

Commonly found from marine sources.

Extremely limited in supply. 13 tons of sponge yielded 35 mg of natural product, and currently biosynthesis is the preferred method of production

Typically used for antibiotics but are also among the most potent cancer cell growth inhibitory agents tested to date



Antibacterial agent with wide use in therapy

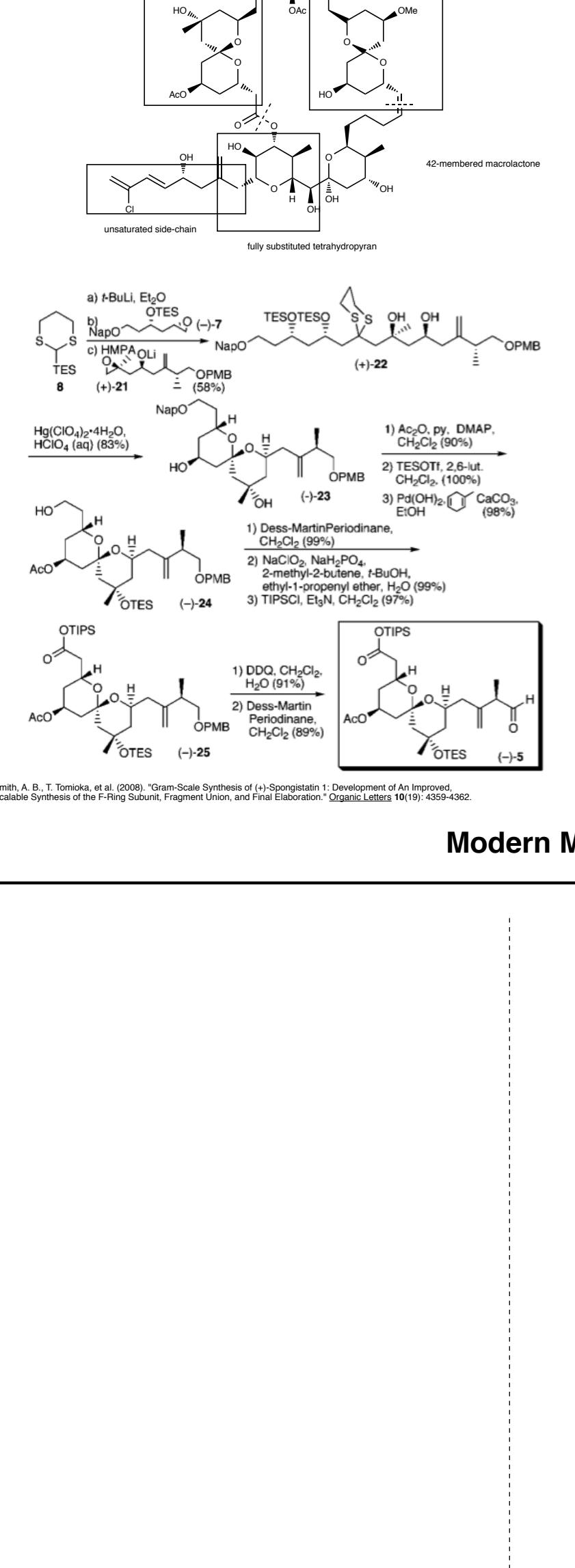
Woodward was quoted in 1956 as saying, "Erythromycin, with all your advantages, looks at present quite hopelessly complex, particularly in view of its plethora of asymmetric centers."

Possesses 10 asymmetric carbons

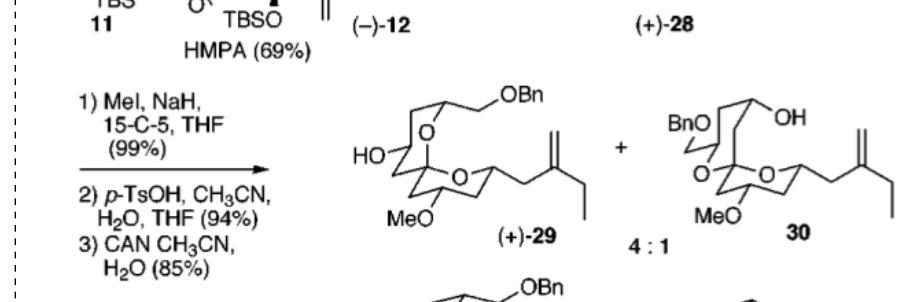
No way to successfully construct large-ring lactones had yet been discovered.

Modern Macrolide Synthesis

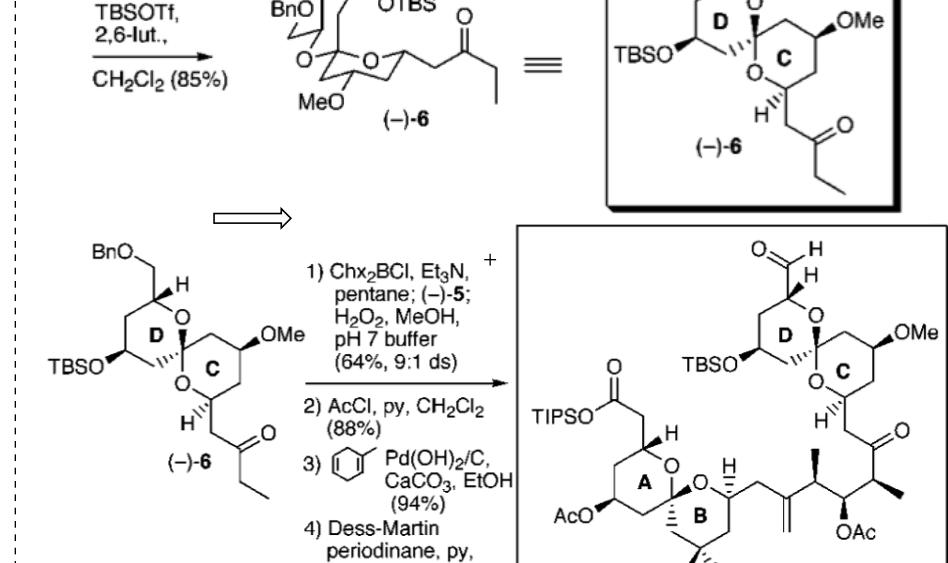
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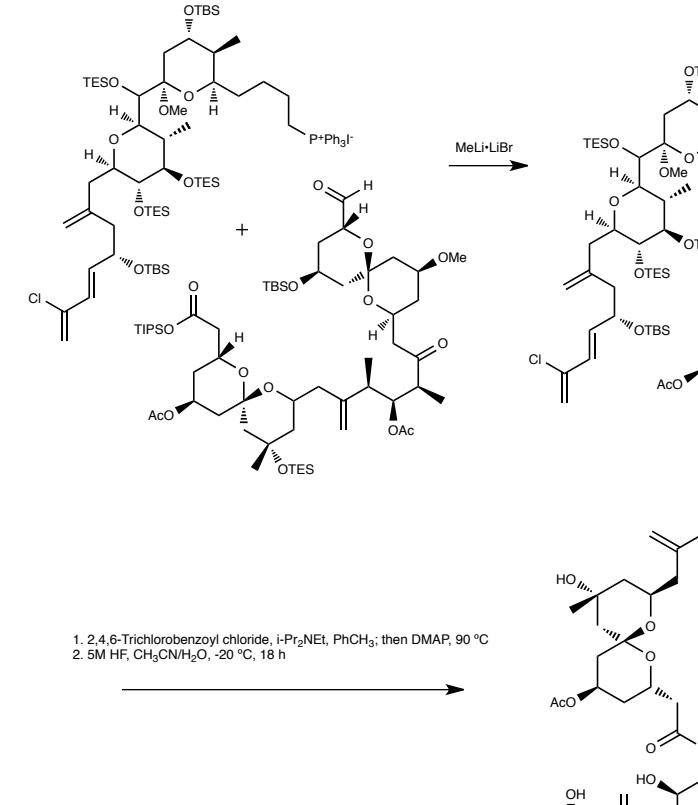
Bromolaconization



Corey-Nicolaou macrolactonization strategy

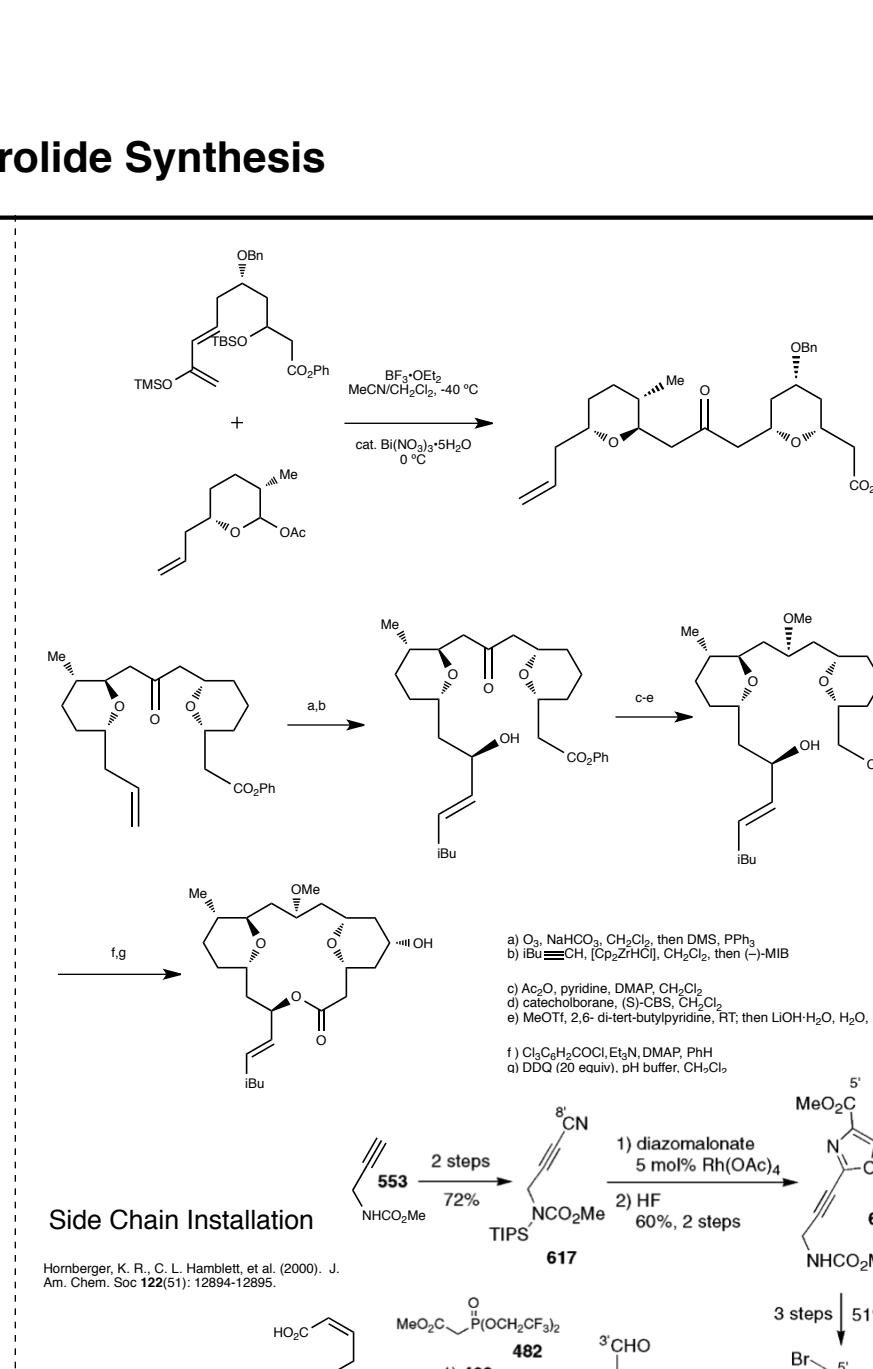
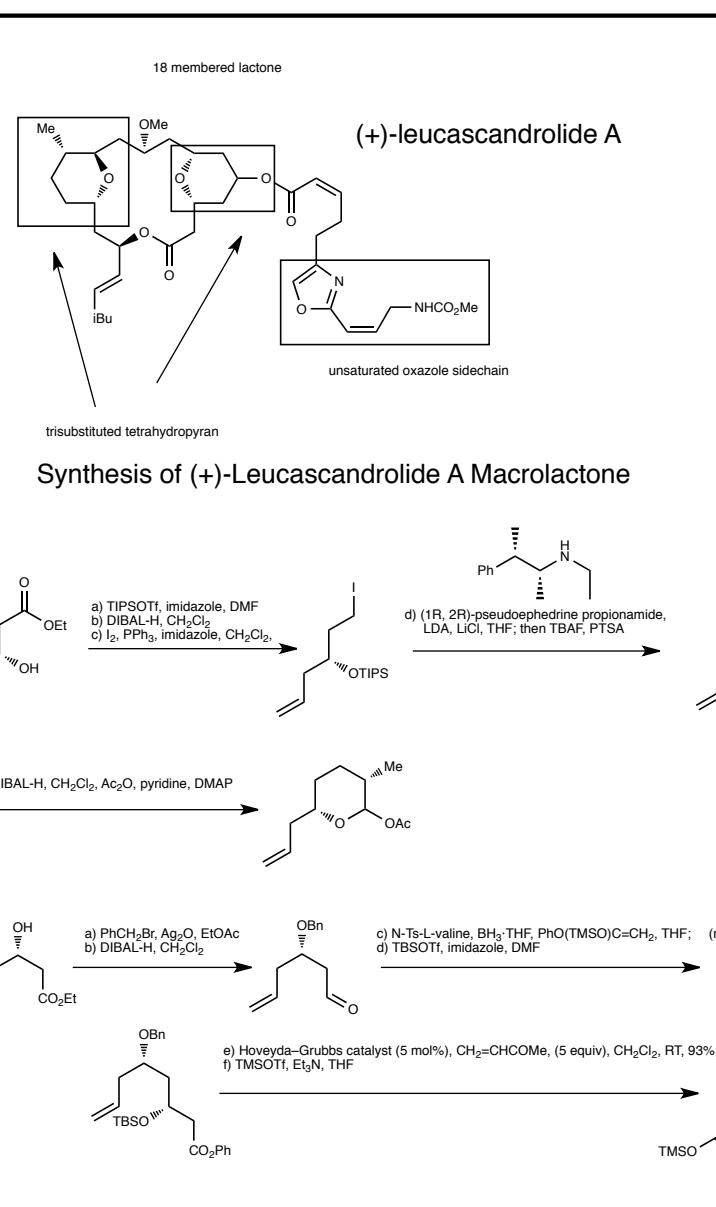


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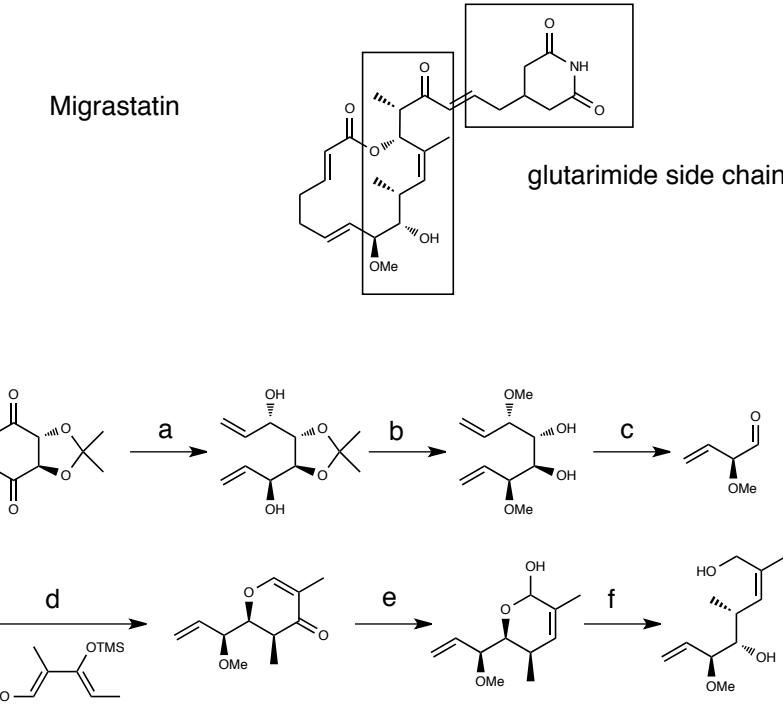
Spongistatin 1



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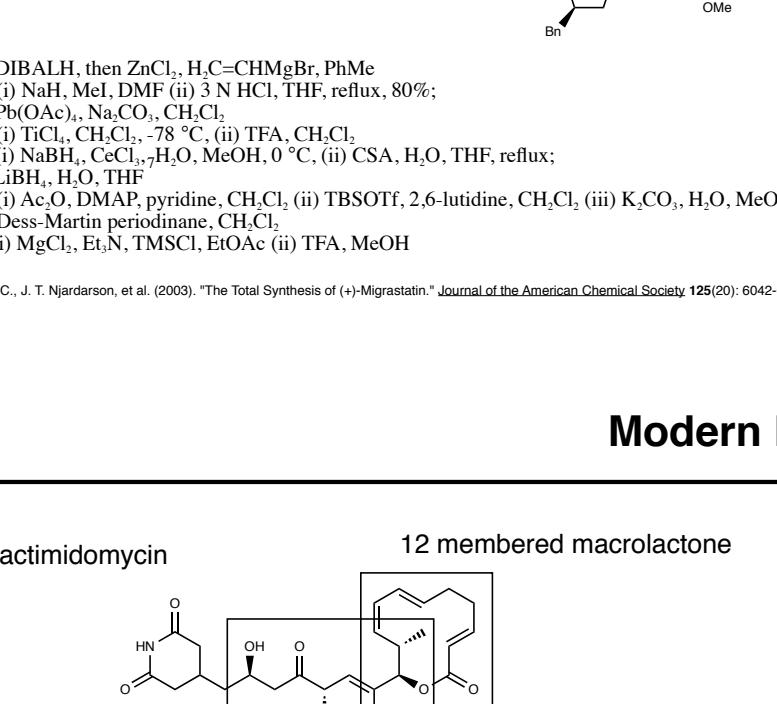
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(+)-leucascandrolide A



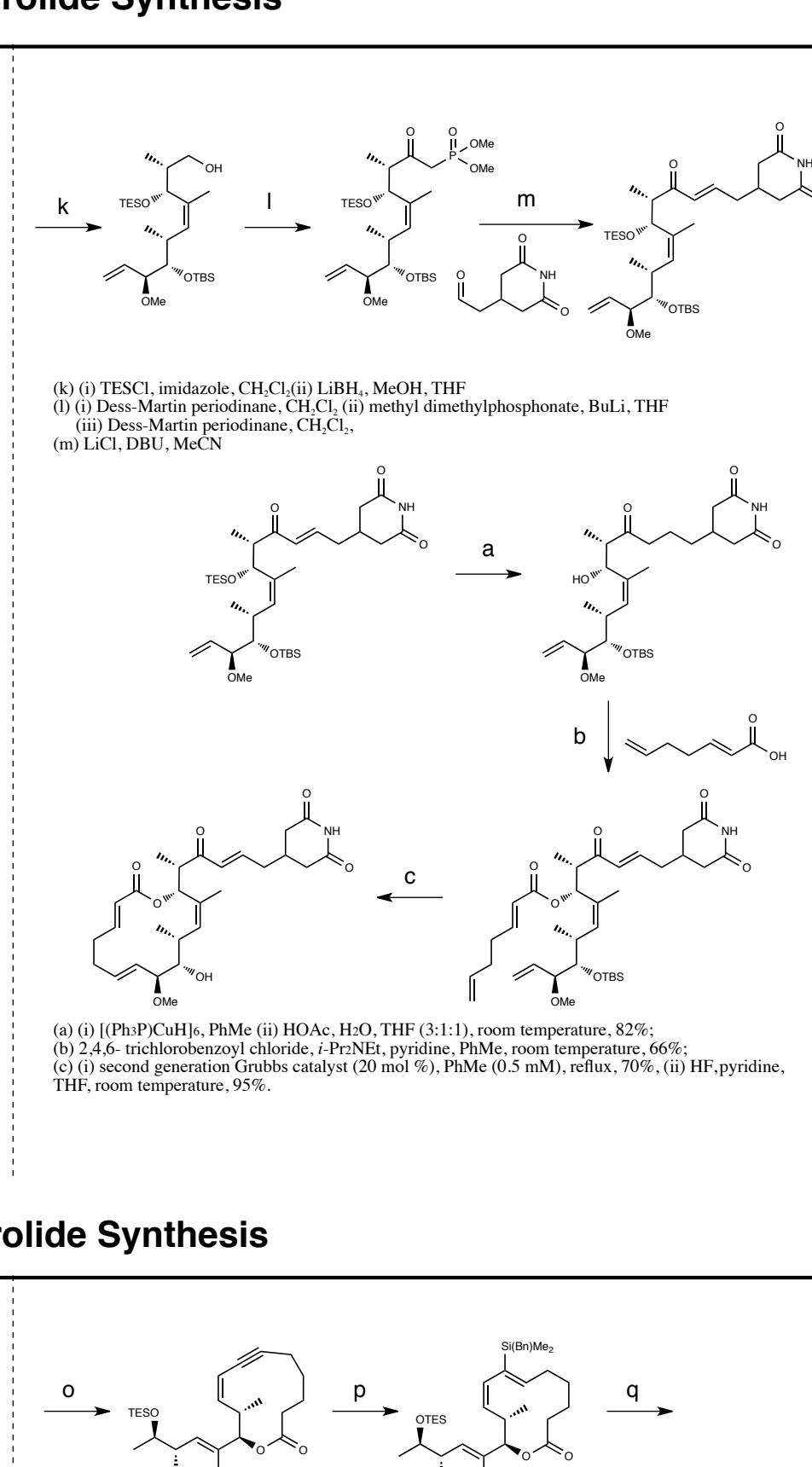
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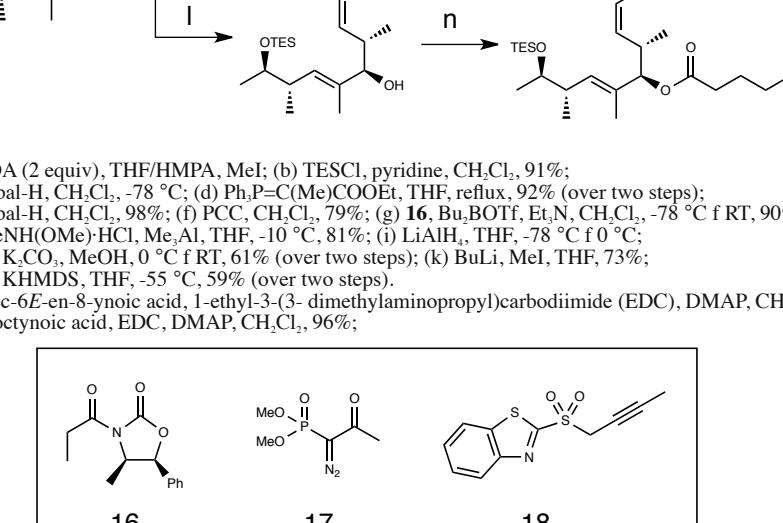
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Migrastatin

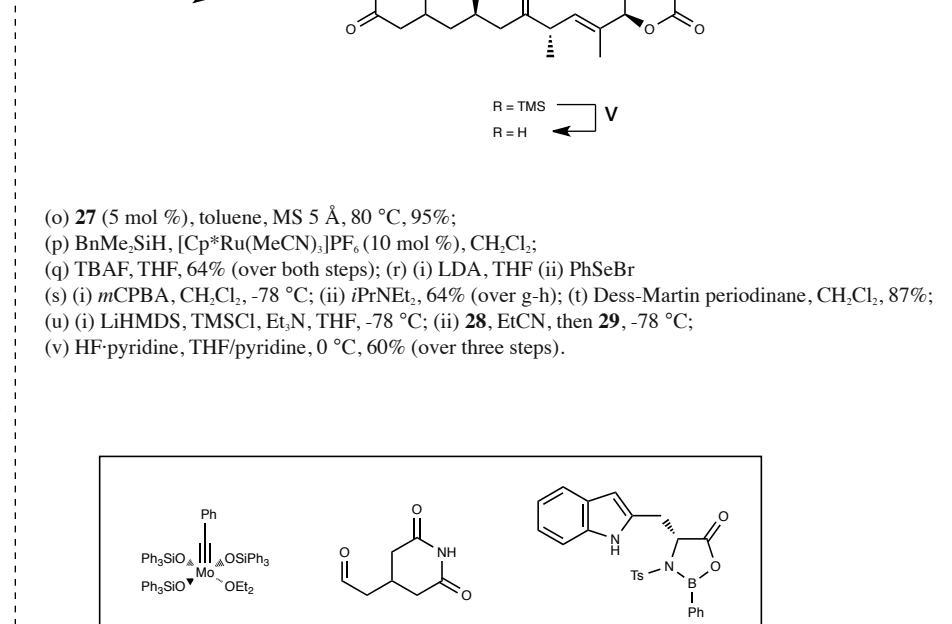


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