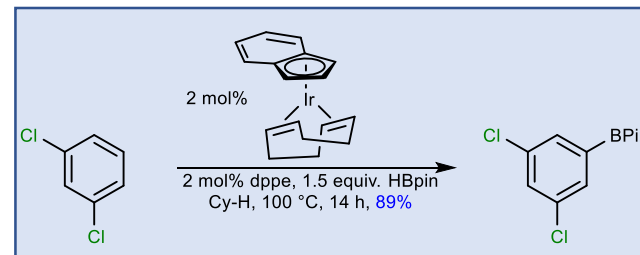


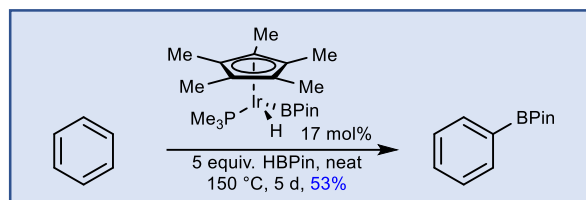
## Development:

- The first report of Ir-catalyzed C-H borylation of benzene was reported by the Smith lab in 1999.
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- Review: Hartwig, J. F. *Chem. Rev.* **2010**, *110*, 890

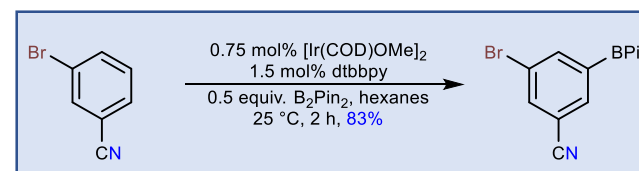
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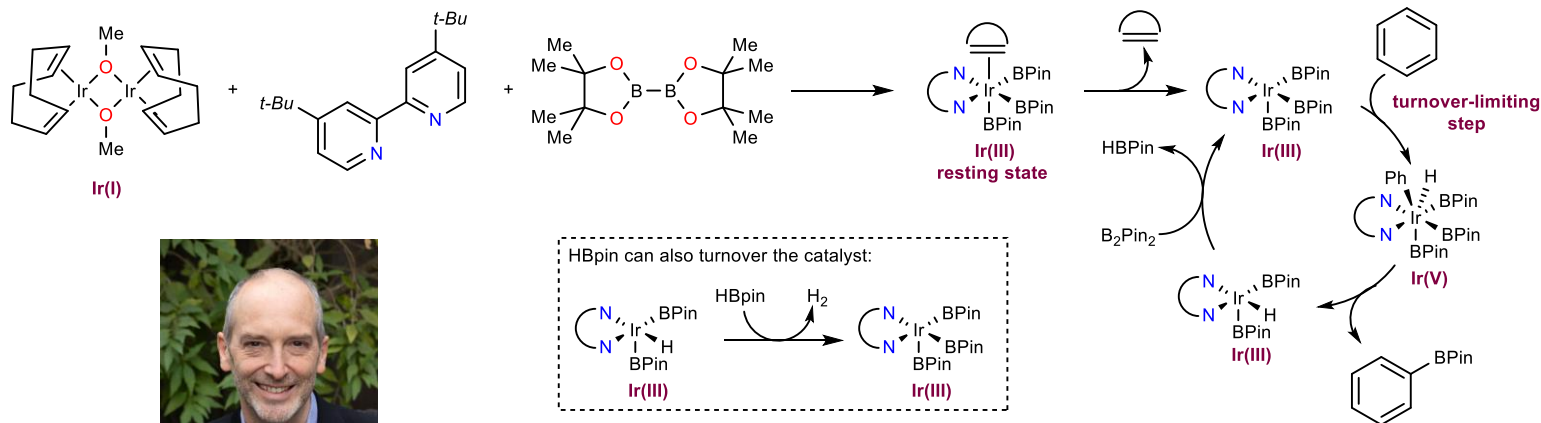
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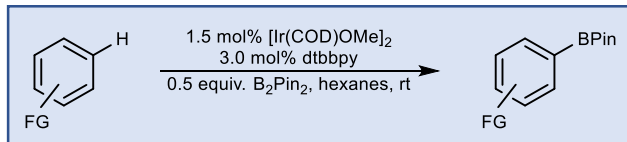
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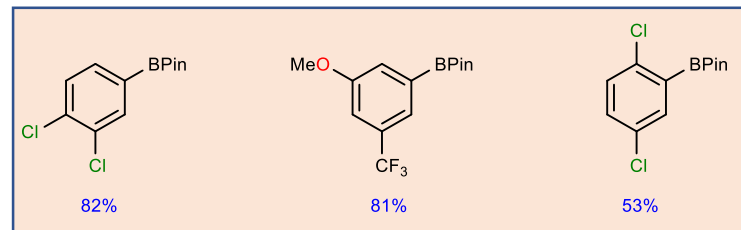
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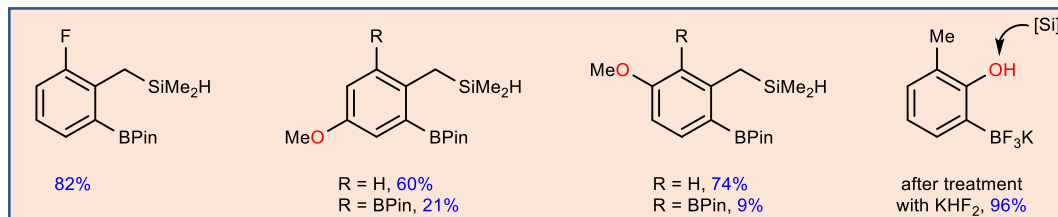
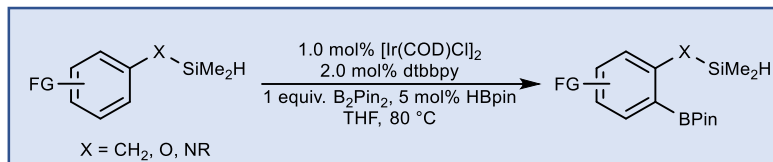


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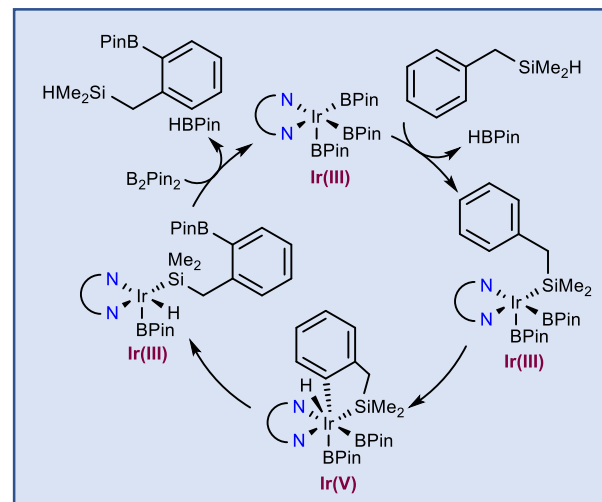


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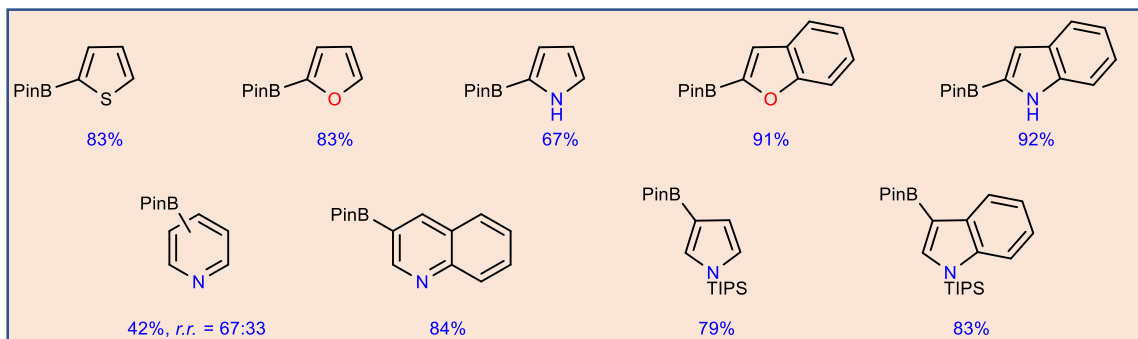
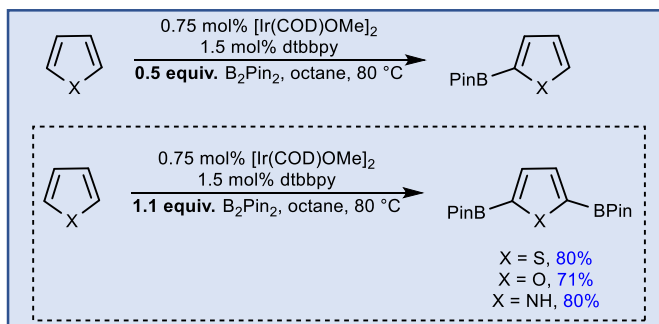
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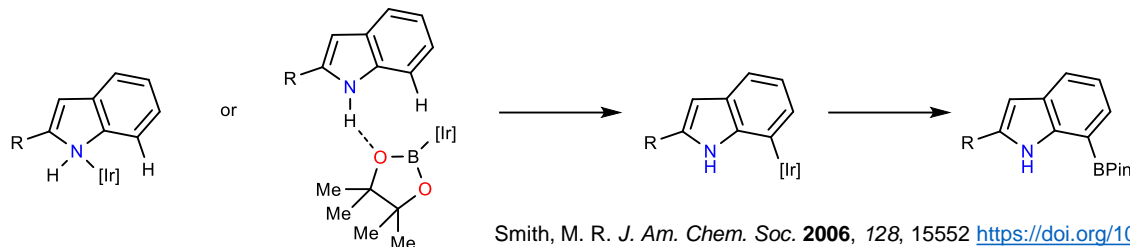


## Heteroarenes:



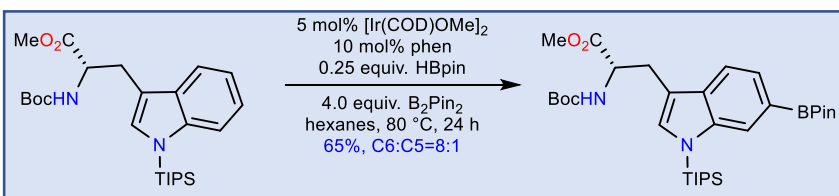
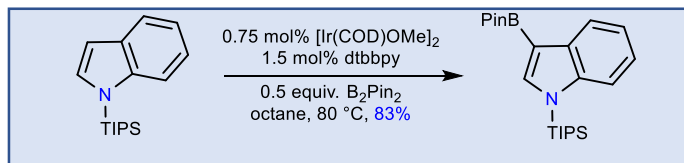
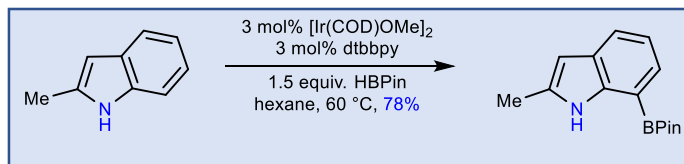
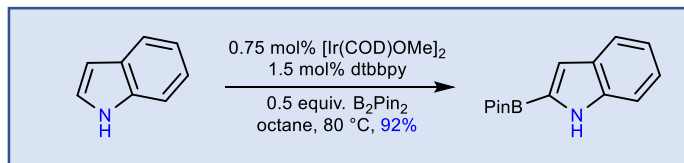
Hartwig, J. F. *Tetrahedron Letters* **2002**, *43*, 5649 [https://doi.org/10.1016/S0040-4039\(02\)01135-8](https://doi.org/10.1016/S0040-4039(02)01135-8)

*ortho*-Borylation of indoles is explained by a directing effect of N-H:

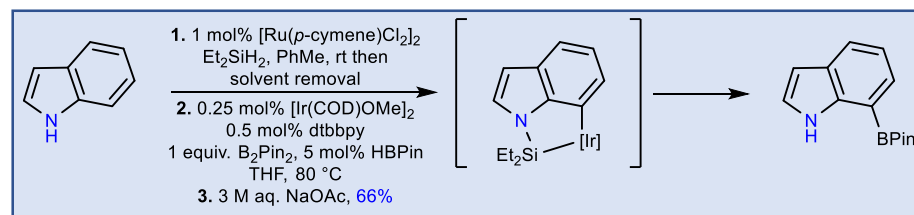


Hartwig: "... there are not a sufficient number of open coordination sites for both the direct ligation of the indole nitrogen at the metal center and the interaction of the C-H bond with the metal. A possible alternative interaction could involve the indole-nitrogen and a vacant p-orbital on a boryl ligand."

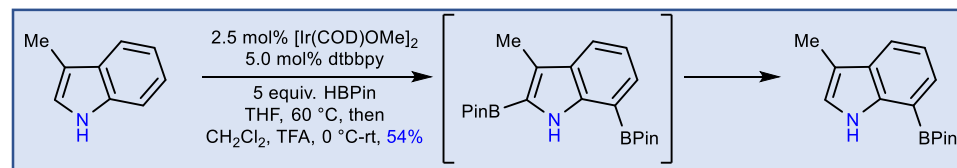
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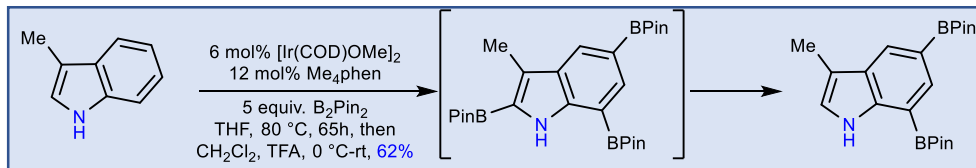
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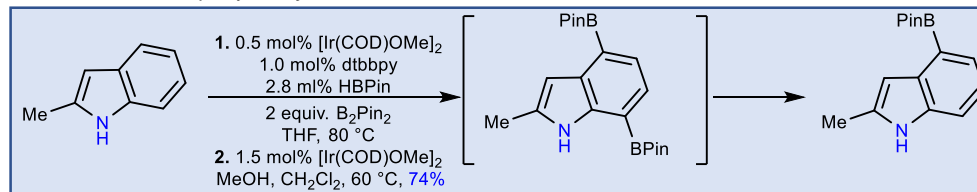
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Movassaghi, M. *J. Org. Chem. Soc.* **2014** *79*, 11254 <https://doi.org/10.1021/jo502062z>



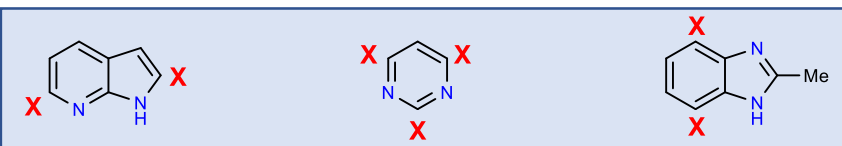
Sperry, J. *Synthesis* **2017** *49*, 4731 DOI: 10.1055/s-0036-1589018



Many more examples: Smith, M. R. *J. Org. Chem.* **2015**, *80*, 8341, <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.joc.5b01588> and Smith, M. R. *Org. Lett.* **2016**, *18*, 1554, <https://doi.org/10.1021/acs.orglett.6b00356>

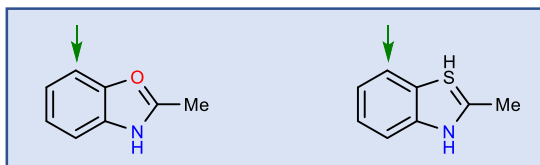
## Borylation of Heteroarenes with Multiple Heteroatoms:

**Rule 1:** No borylation *ortho* or alpha to free N-H or basic nitrogen

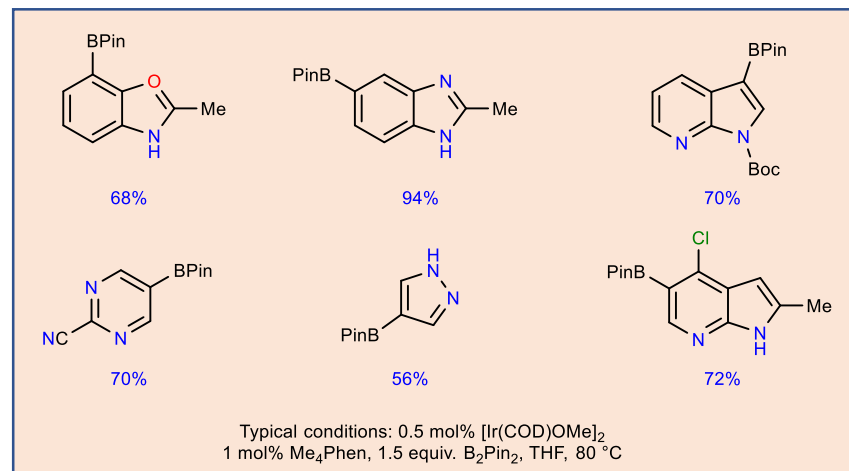
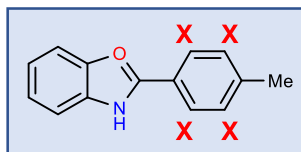


Note that this is in contrast with the selectivity observed with indoles. N-borylation likely occurs, blocking the alpha/ortho position.

**Rule 2:** Borylation occurs preferentially *ortho* to oxygen or sulfur



**Rule 3:** Steric factors still have a large effect

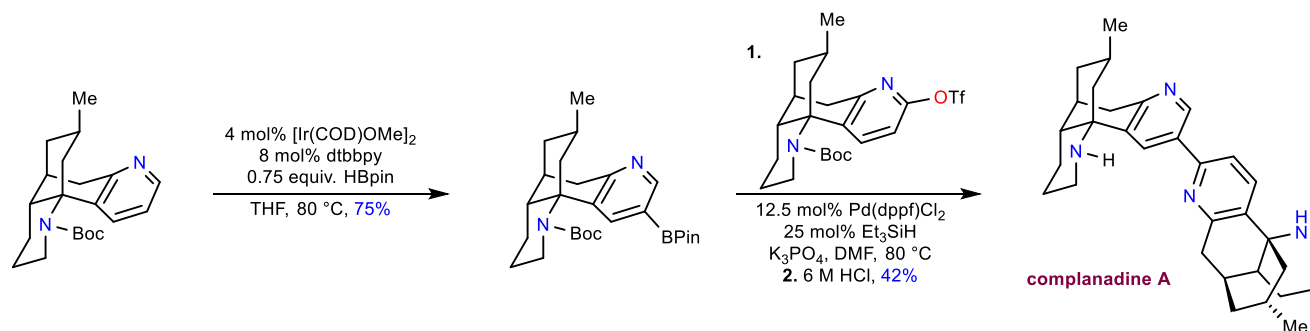


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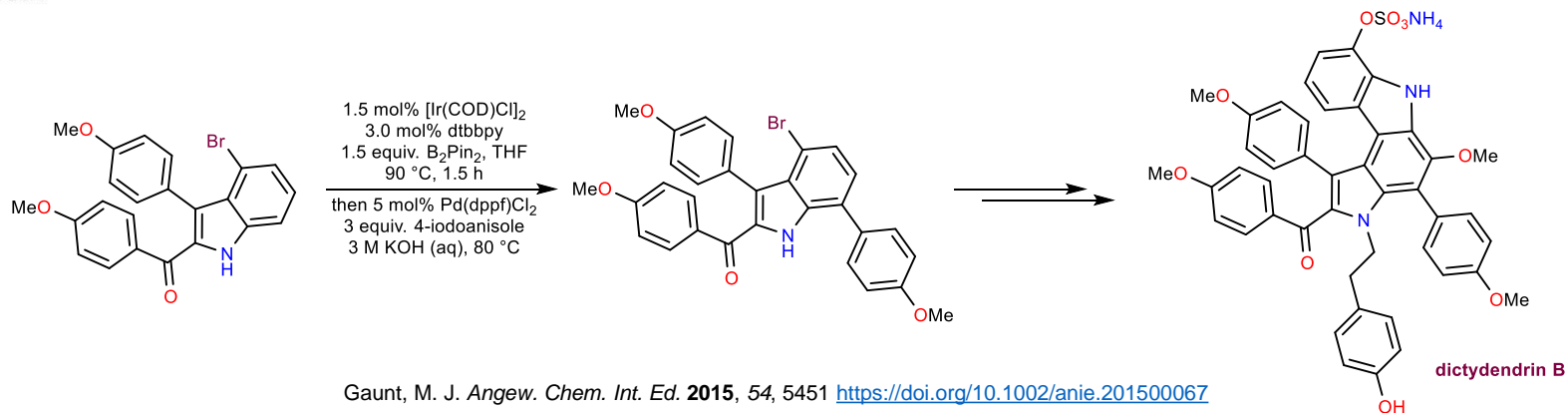
NMR can be used in some cases to predict the outcome of C-H borylation. The aryl hydrogen with the furthest downfield chemical shift is typically the reactive site.

Steel, P. G. *Chem. Sci.* **2012**, 3, 3505 <https://doi.org/10.1039/C2SC20776A>

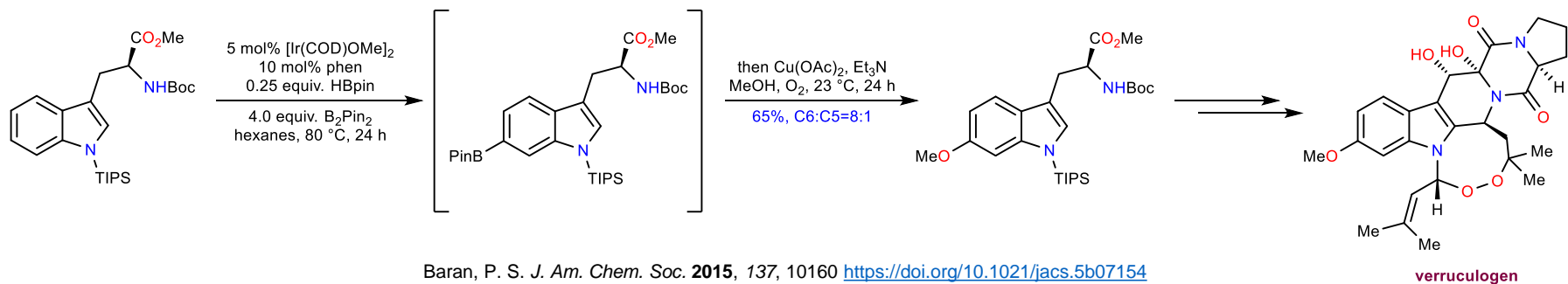
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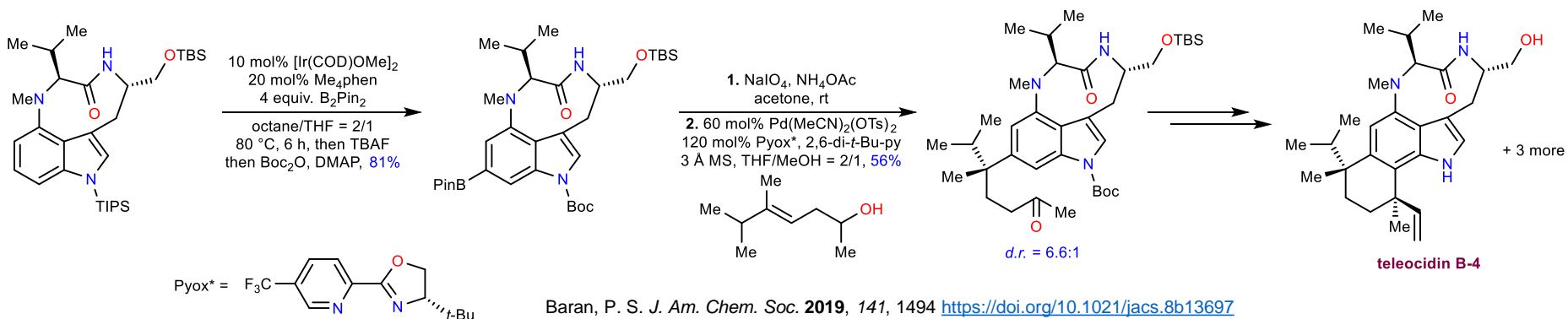
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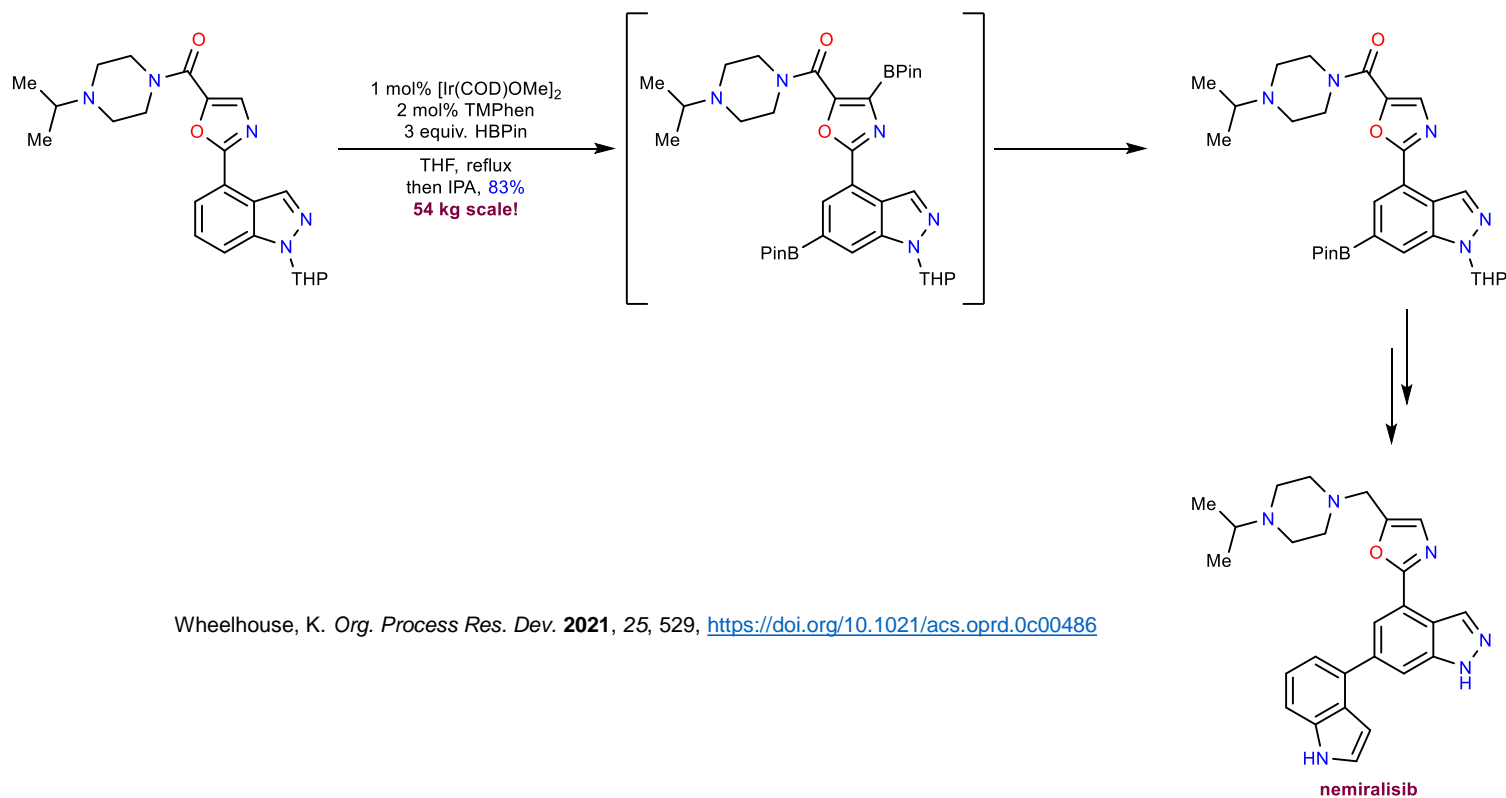
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