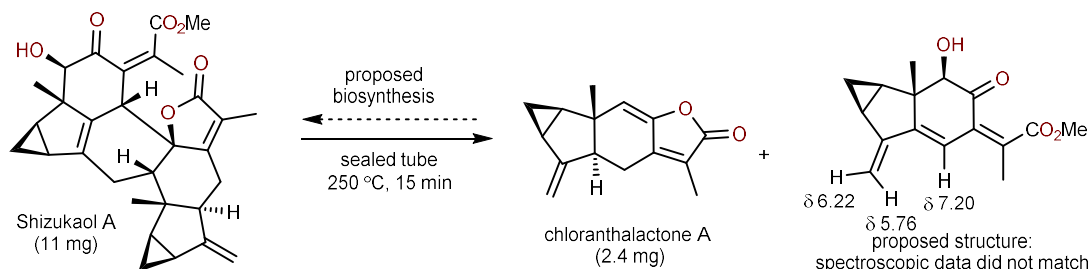


- The first member of lindenane sesquiterpenoid [4+2] dimer family, shizukaol A isolated in 1990
- Shizukaol D can activate AMP-activated protein kinase, increase ACC phosphorylation in HepG2 cells, and repress the growth of human liver cancer cells.
- Sarcandrolide J shares the same molecular architecture as shizukaol D, although they were isolated from *Sarcandra glabra* and *Chloranthus serratus*, respectively.
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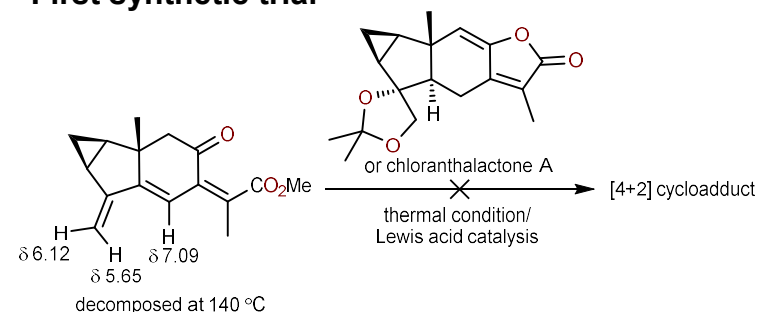
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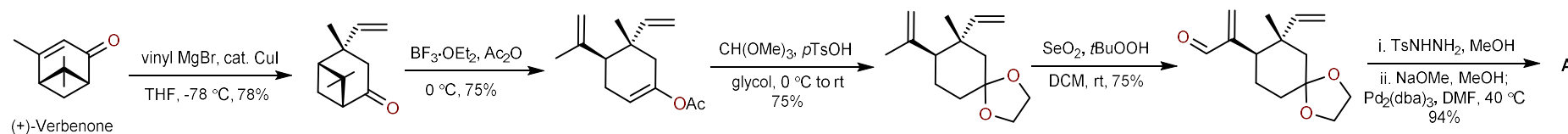
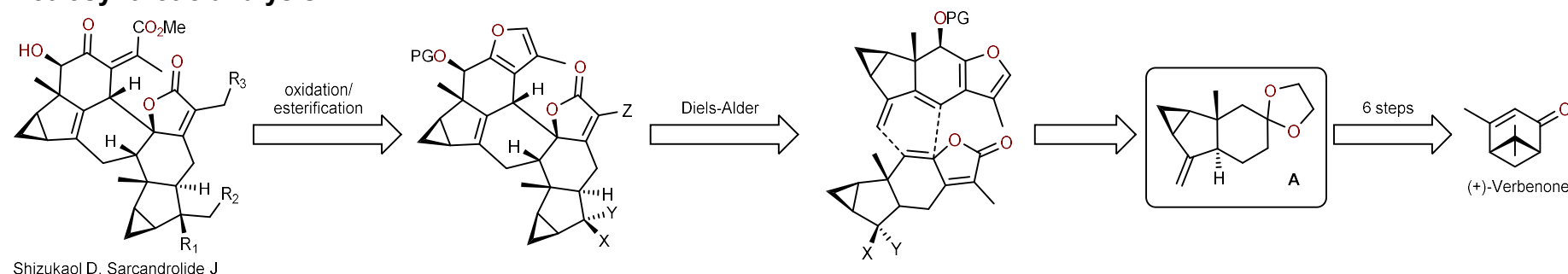


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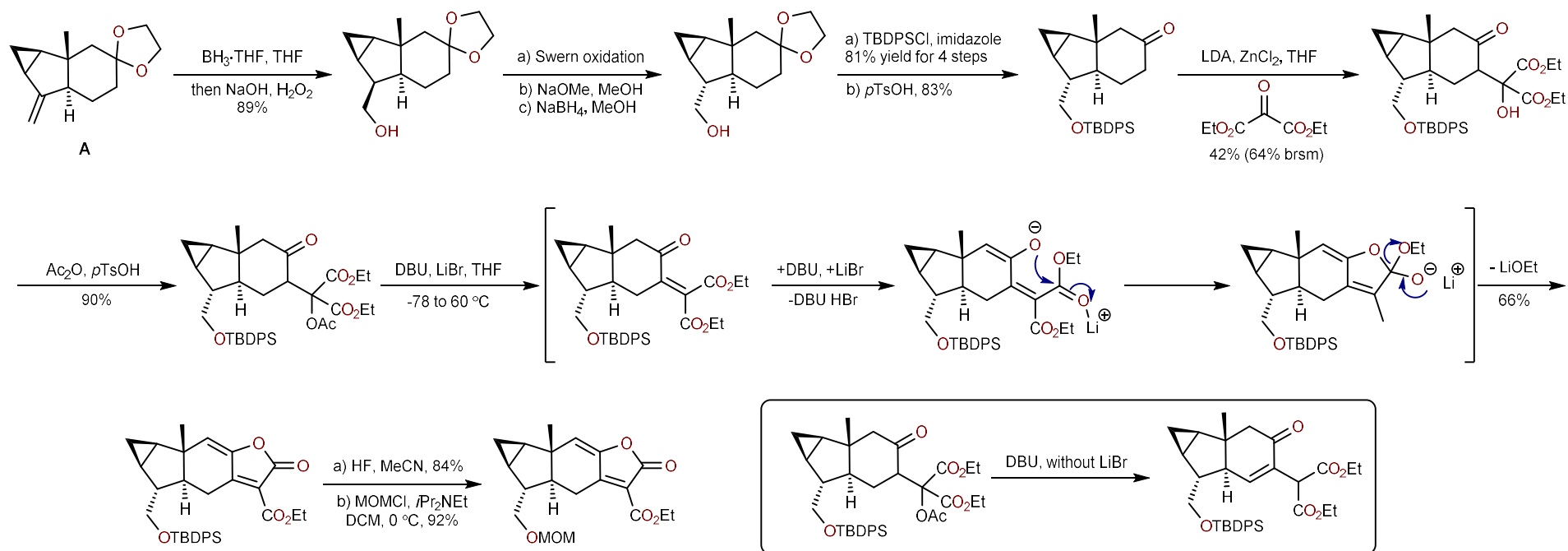


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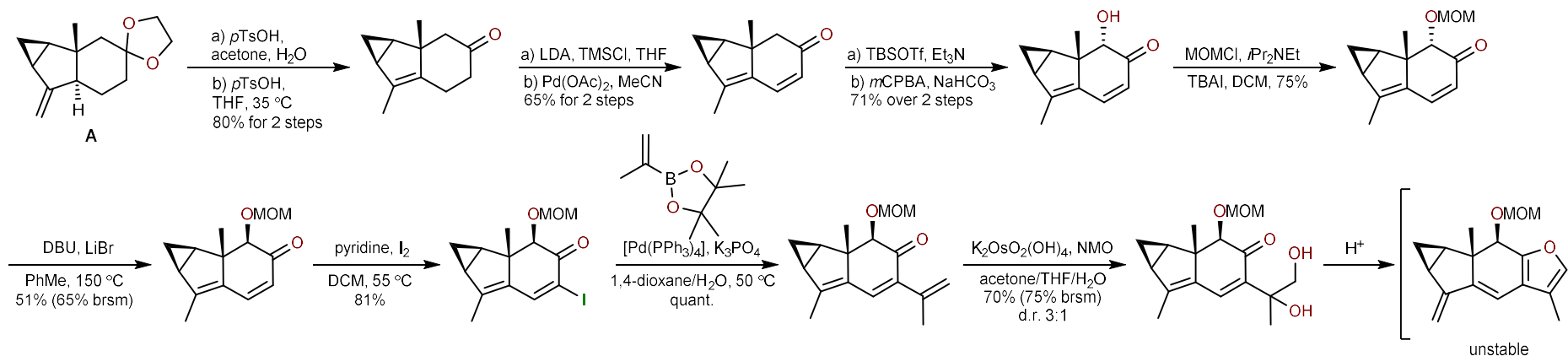


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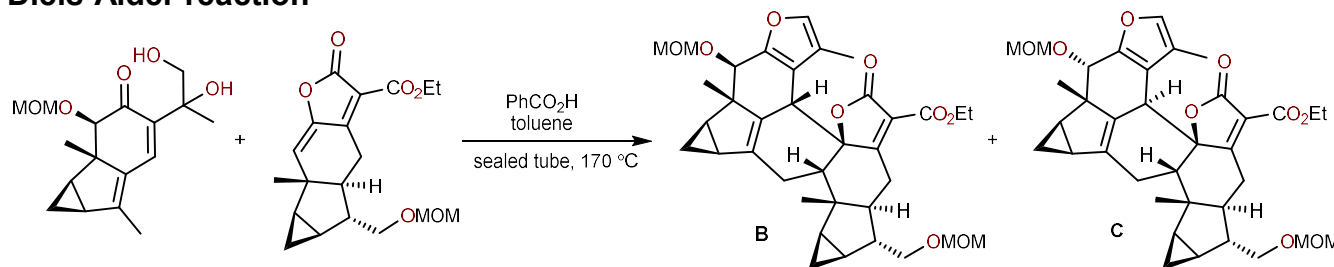
Synthesis of the dienophile



Synthesis of the diene surrogate

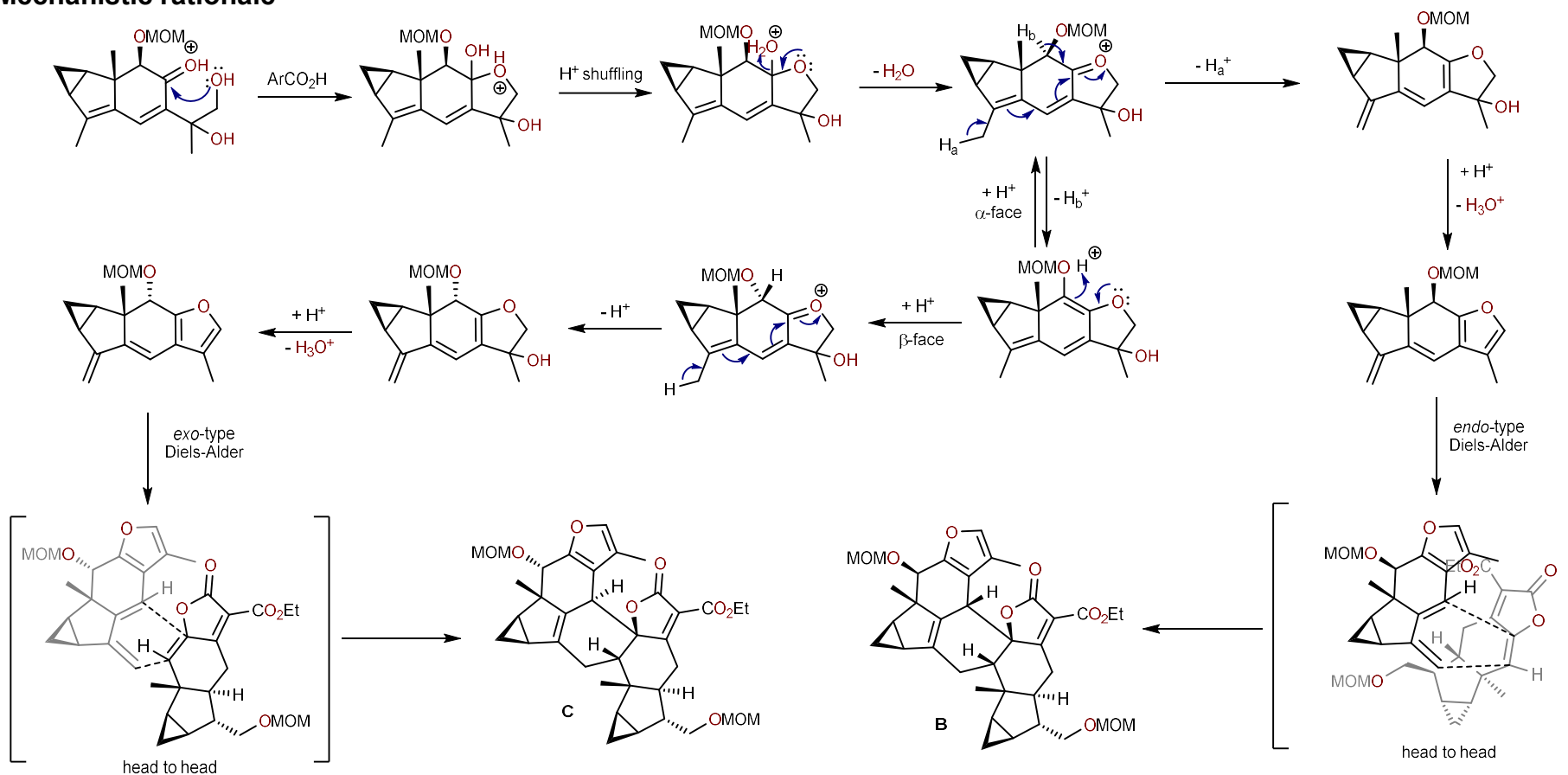


Diels-Alder reaction



Diene surrogate	Dienophile	PhCO_2H	t [h]	Yield [%] B	C
1 equiv	2.5 equiv	5 equiv	6	trace	-
3.8 equiv	1 equiv	10 equiv	3	51	9
5 equiv	1 equiv	10 equiv	3	83	14

Mechanistic rationale



End-game

