Synthesis of Each Enantiomer of Rocaglamide by Means of a Palladium(0)-Catalyzed Nazarov-Type Cyclization

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Background

- First isolated in 1982 from Aglaia elliptifolia
 - A tree native to south-east Asia
- Exhibits anticancer activity across a broad range of human cancer cells
- Potent cytostatic and anti inflammatory activities
- First synthesized and published by Trost et al. in 1990

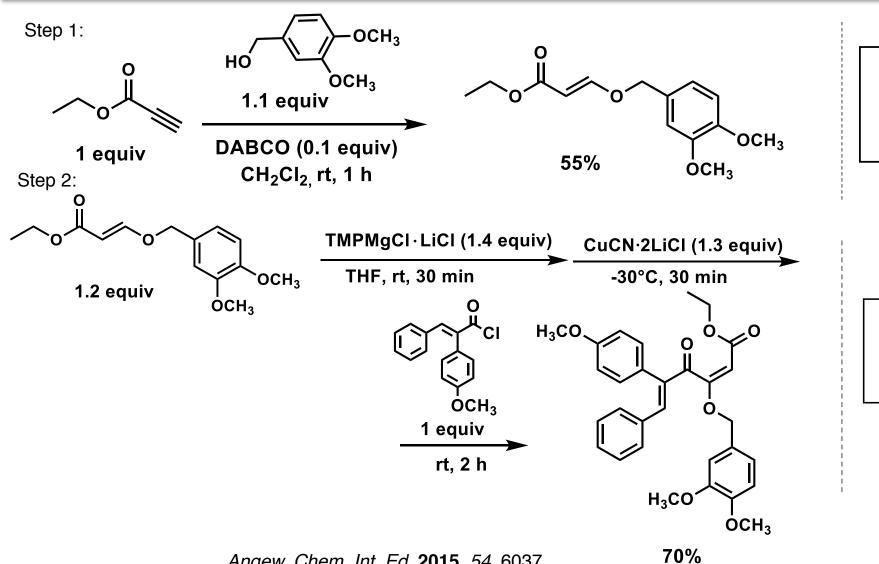
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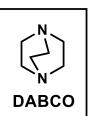
Synthesis of Acid Chloride

Step 1:

Step 2:



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TMP = 2,2,6,6-tetramet

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Step 4:

Ph Ph O Ph Ph A

dba= dibenzylid



Step 5:

CH₂Cl₂, rt, 12 h

HATL

73% (e.r. 89:11)

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rt, 4 h



1 equiv

Step 7:

Step 9:



Step 11: