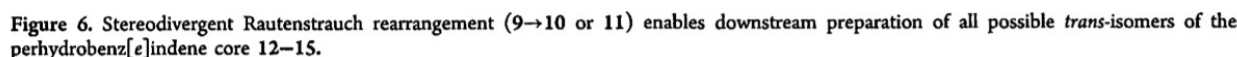
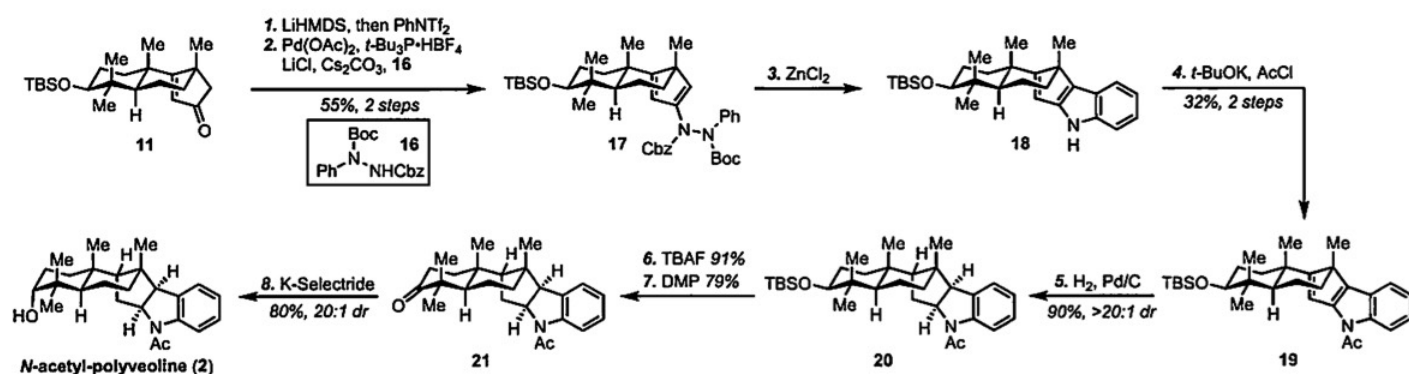


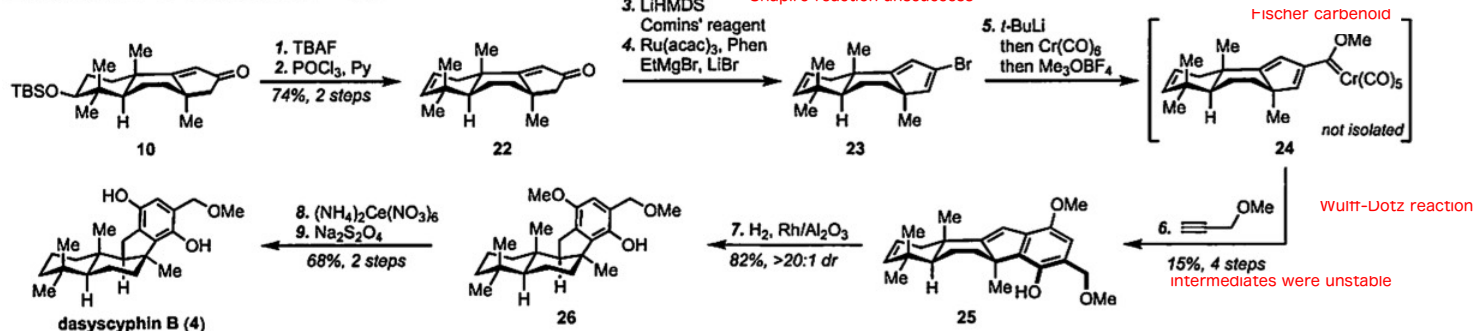
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Fischer indolization unsuccessful



Shapiro reaction unsuccessful



1. LDA, TMSCl
 2. mCPBA
 59%, 2 steps
 rubottom oxidation

3. Ag₂O, BnBr
 50% (77% brsm)

4. TsNHNH₂
 then CatBH
 NaOAc·3H₂O
 53%
 >20:1 dr

5. H₂, Pd/C
 then DMP
 85%

6. *t*-BuLi, **31**
 42% (55% brsm)
31

7. Me₂SO₄
 K₂CO₃
 80%

8. SeO₂
 9. DMP
 74%, 2 steps
 equilibration of the side-chain geometry

10. HF, MeCN
 89%

10 **27** **28** **29** **30** **32** **33** **34** **rhabdastin B (8)**