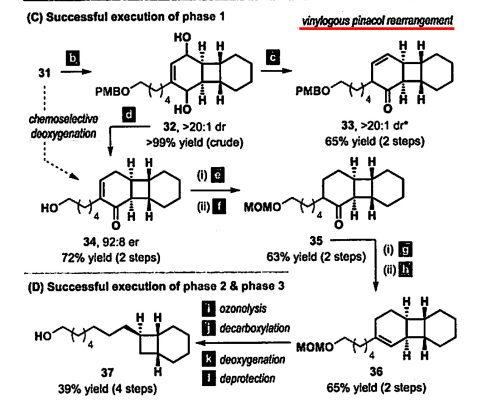
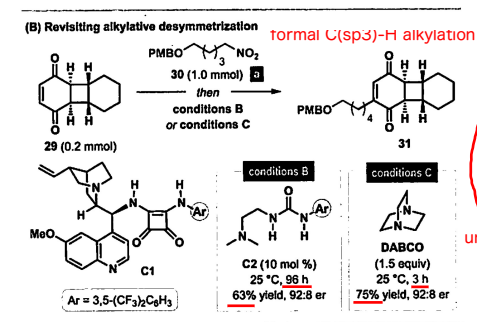
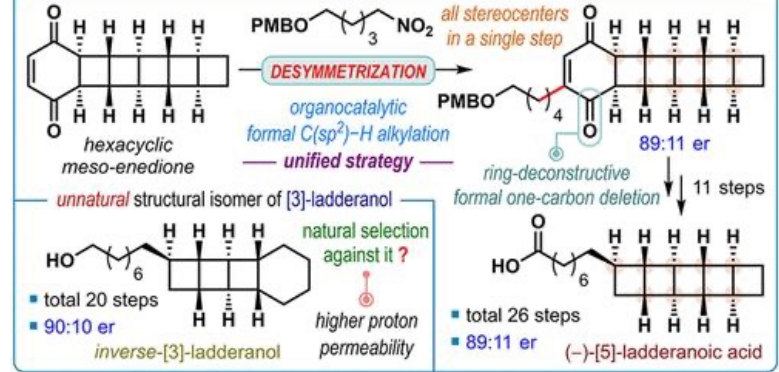
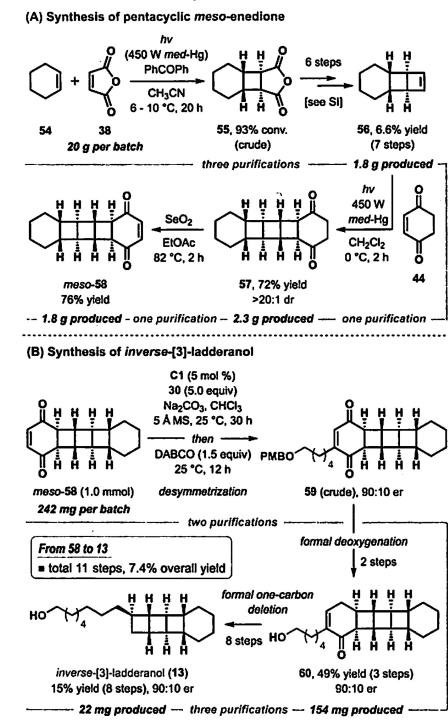




II steps, 8% overall, five chromatographic purifications

Reagents and conditions: (a) C1 (5 mol %), Na₂CO₃ (1.5 equiv), CHCl₃ (0.1 M), 5 Å MS, 25 °C, 30 h, then conditions A or B [Note: Unreacted nitroalkane 30 (0.76 mmol) was recovered and reused without any drop in efficiency of the reaction]; (b) CeCl₃·7H₂O, NaBH₄, MeOH, 0 °C, 2 h; (c) BF₃·Et₂O, THF, 25 °C, 30 min; (d) BF₃·Et₂O, CH₂Cl₂, 25 °C, 1 h; (e) H₂, 10% Pd/C (20 mol %), EtOAc, 25 °C, 3 h; (f) MOMCl, DIPEA, CH₂Cl₂, 0–25 °C, 16 h; (g) NaBH₄, MeOH/CH₂Cl₂ (3:1), 25 °C, 1 h; (h) MsCl, Py, DMAP, 0–25 °C, 16 h, then 65 °C, 3 h; (i) O₃, EtOAc/AcOH/H₂O (2:2:0.1), 0 °C, 30 min, then 25 °C, 16 h; (j) pyridine, pyridine, T3P, THF, 4 h, dark, then ^tBuSH, BEt₃, 25 °C, 16 h, dark; (k) TsNHNH₂, MeOH, 25 °C, 6 h, then NaBH₃CN, ZnCl₂ in MeOH, 65 °C, 1 h, then (l) conc. HCl, 50 °C, 1 h (one-pot). *Diastereomeric ratio (dr) was determined from ¹H NMR of the crude reaction mixture.

Scheme 7. Enantioselective Synthesis of Inverse-[3]-ladderanol through a Ring-Deconstructive Formal One-Carbon Deletion Strategy



Scheme 6. Enantioselective Total Synthesis of (-)-[5]-Ladderanoic Acid through a Ring-Deconstructive Formal One-Carbon Deletion Strategy

