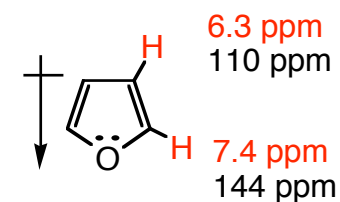
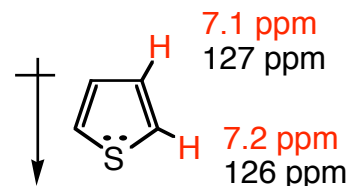
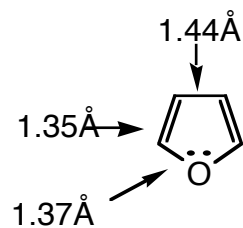
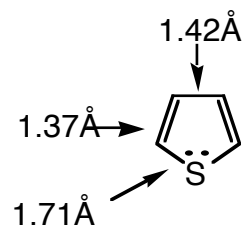
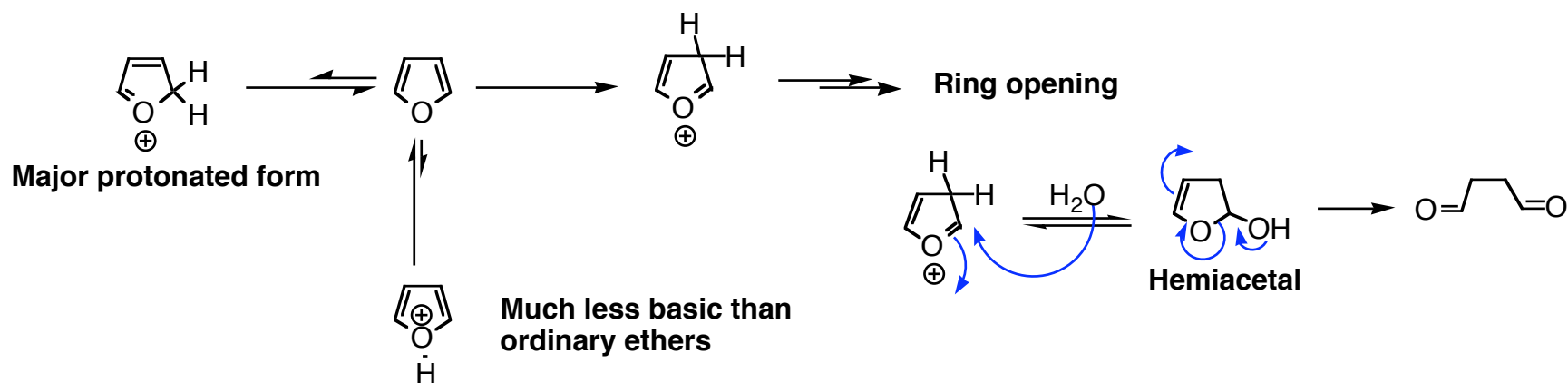


# FURAN

The least aromatic 5-membered ring



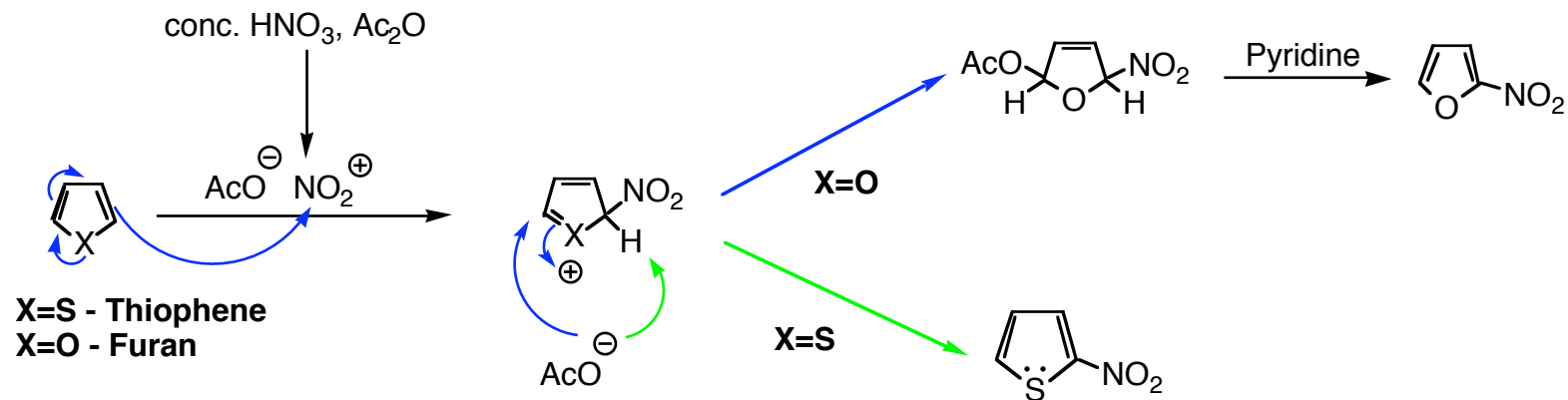
## Reaction with electrophiles - Protonation



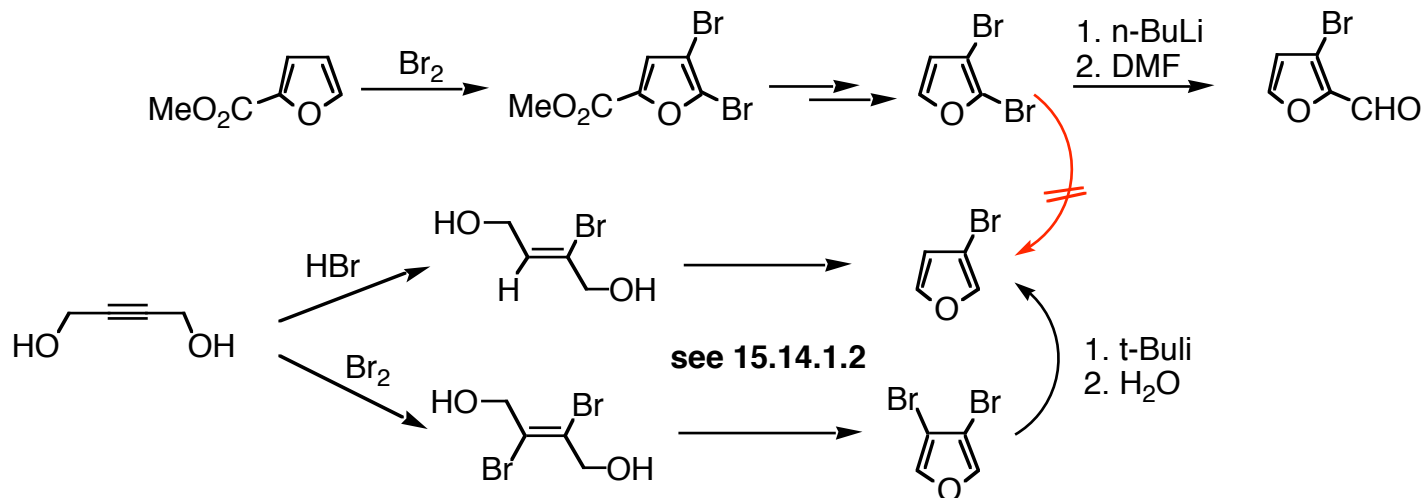
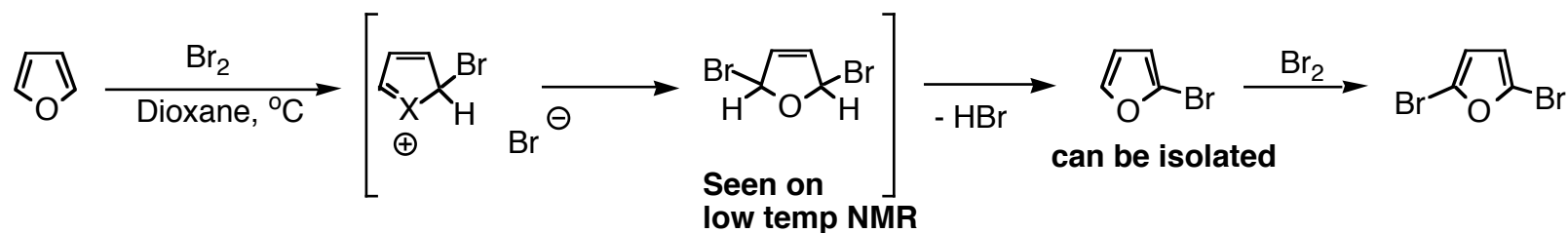
Conc.  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$   $\longrightarrow$  Decomp.  
 Lewis acids (i.e.  $\text{AlCl}_3$ )

# Reaction with electrophiles - Nitration

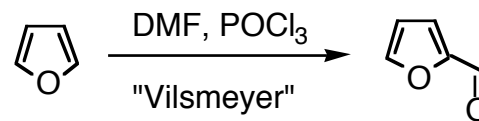
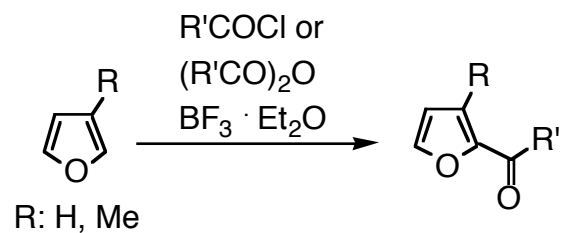
Cannot use conc.  $\text{HNO}_3 / \text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$



# Halogenation



## Reaction with electrophiles - Acylation

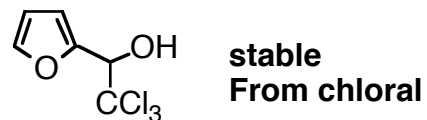
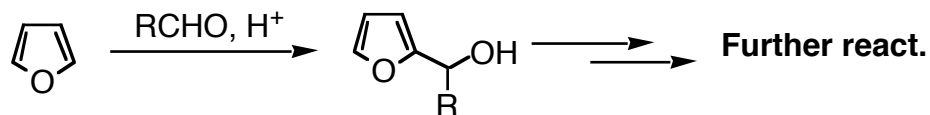


**Furfural**  
Also very readily available  
by other routes

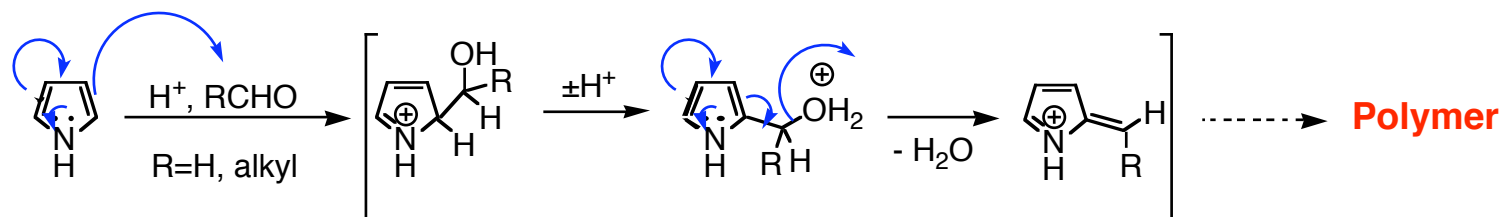
## Alkylation

Generally not practical (polyalkylation, polymerisation)

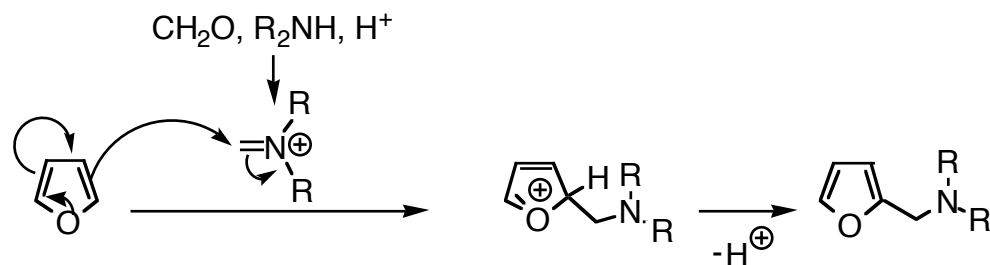
## Condensation with Aldehydes and Ketones



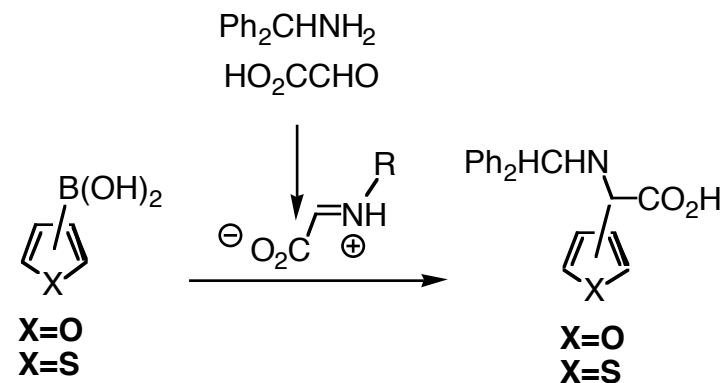
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## Reaction with electrophiles - Condensation with imines / iminium ions

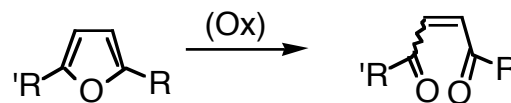
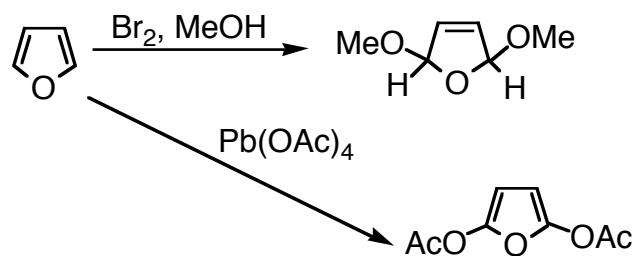


Unsubst furan: iminium ion must be preformed



*ipso* subst.

## Reaction with oxidating agents

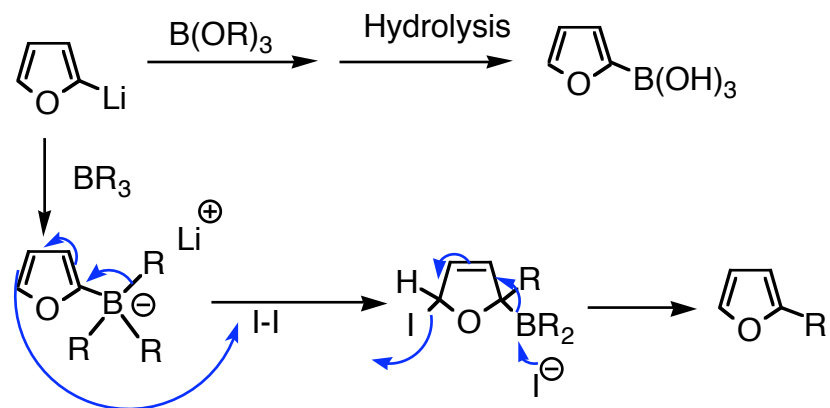
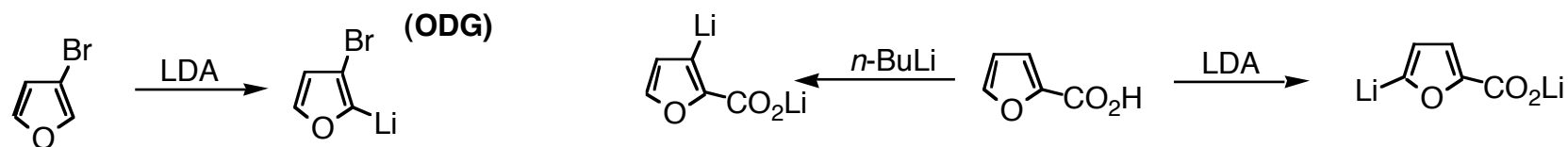
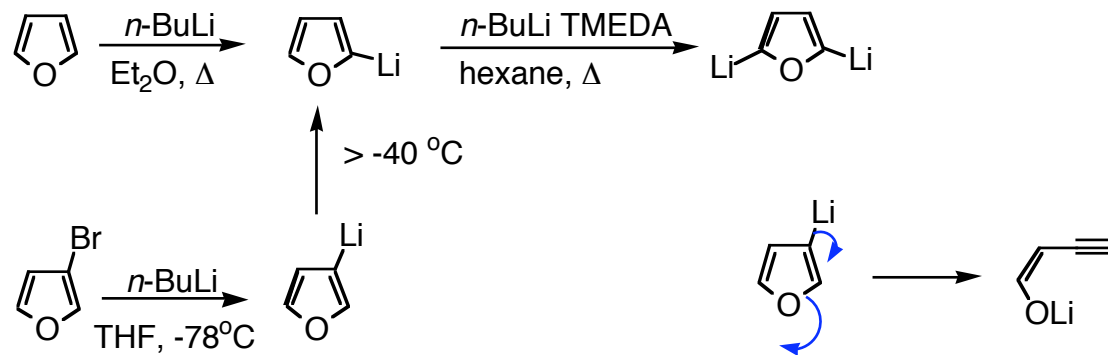


Div. ox. agents p 300  
*E*-isomer in most cases

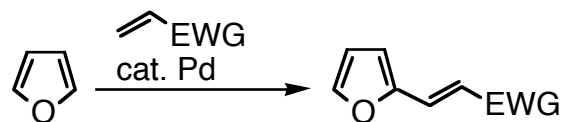
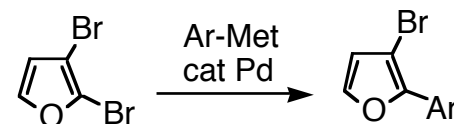
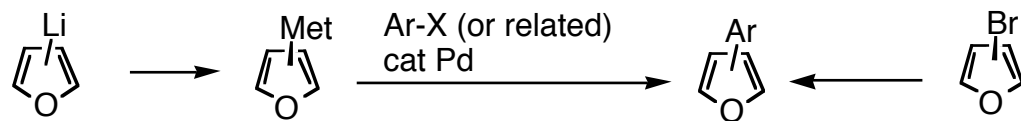
## Reaction with nucleophiles

Some ex. on furans activated with  $-\text{NO}_2$  group

## Metallation and further react.

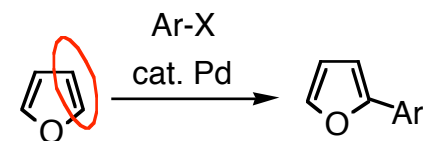


## Pd-cat couplings

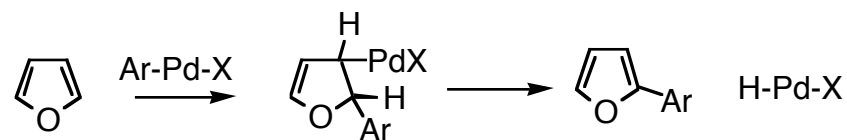
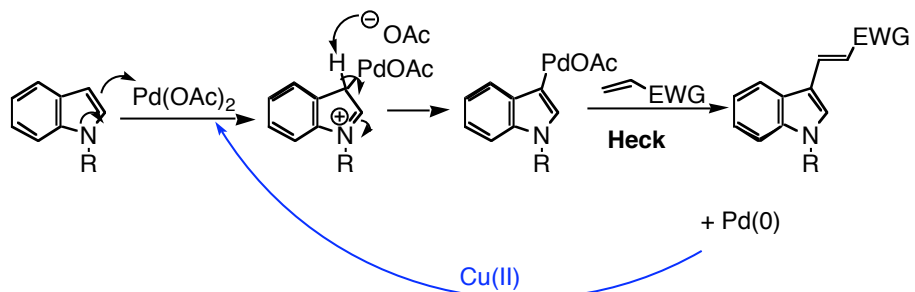


## Heteroaryl-Heck

like an alkene in Heck



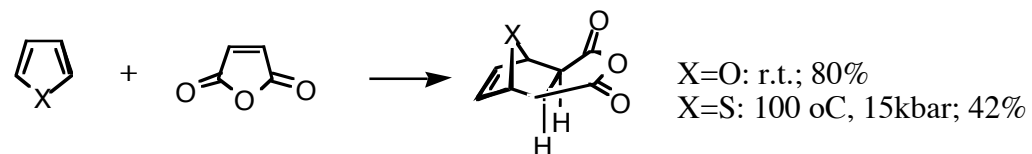
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# Cycloadditions

Furanes as diene - one of the first DA examples

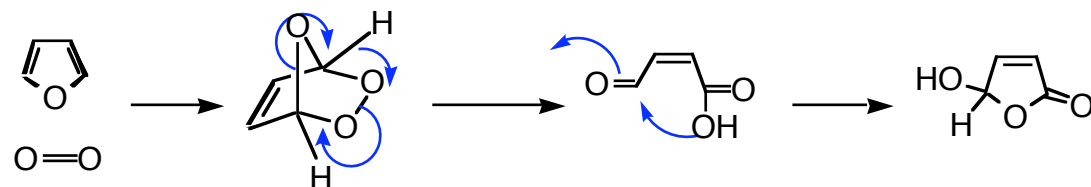
Furan reacts with many dienophiles (alkenes, alkynes, allenes)



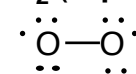
*exo* isolated (thermodyn favoured)

*endo* (kinetic prod.)

With  $^1O_2$



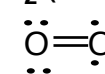
$^3O_2$  (triplet)



Diradical  
3 lines ESR

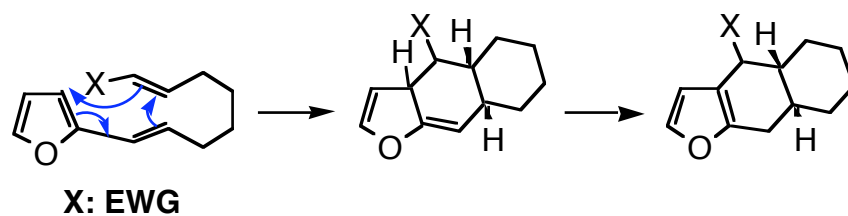


$^1O_2$  (singlet)

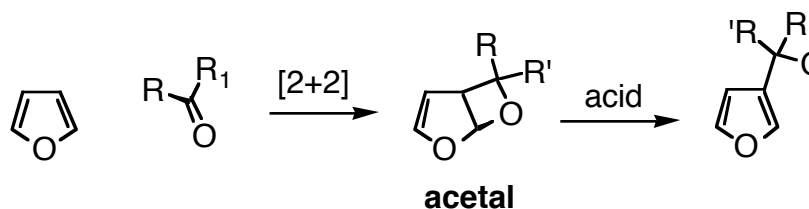


No unpaired el.  
1 line ESR

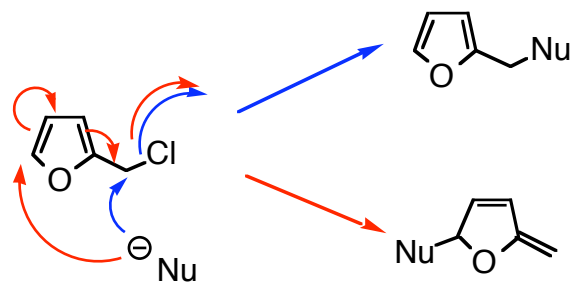
Furan as dienophile (only intramolec. ex)



Photochemical cycloaddition



## Furyl-CH<sub>2</sub>-X



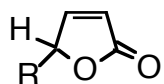
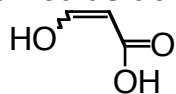
## Aminofurans

- Aminoform
- Unstable

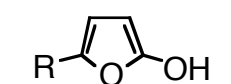
## Oxyfurans

Butenolides (natural prod.)

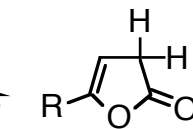
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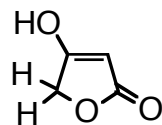
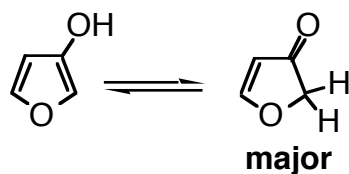
R=Me:  $\beta$ -angelica lactone  
Most stable



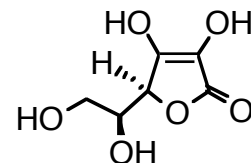
not detectable



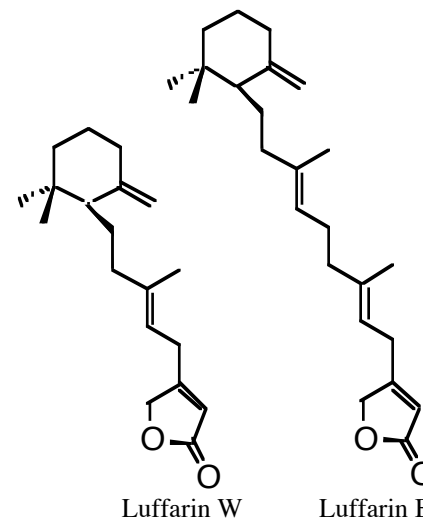
R=Me:  $\alpha$ -angelica lactone



tetronic acid



ascorbic acid



Luffarin W

Luffarin B

Isol. marine sponges  
cytotoxic

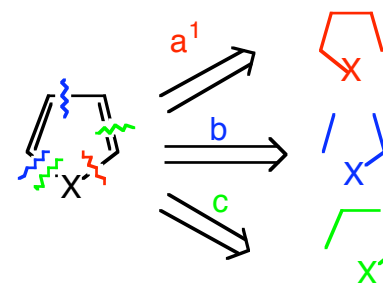
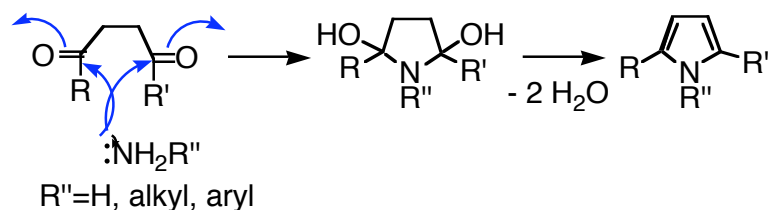


# Synthesis of Furans

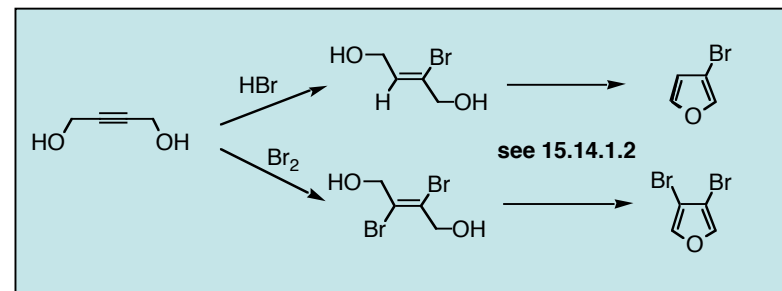
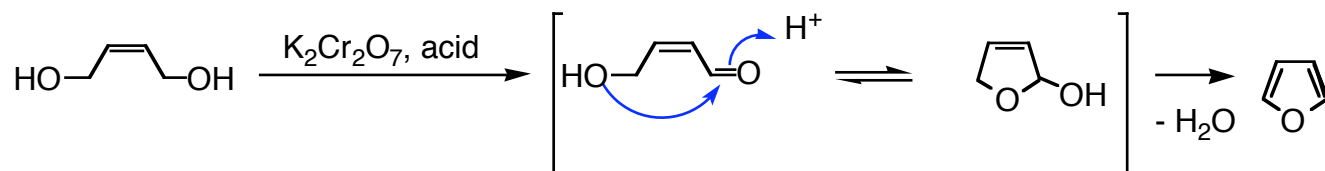
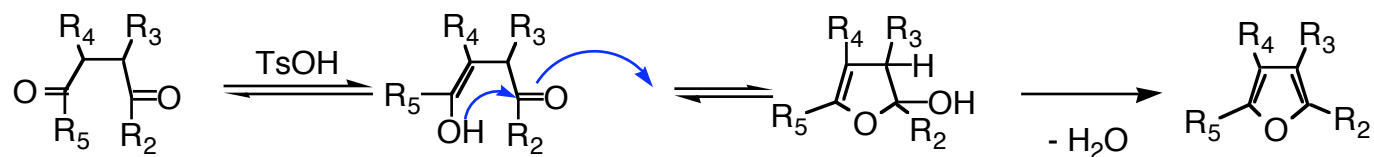
## Carbonyl condensations

### Strategy a - pyrroles

#### Paal Knorr

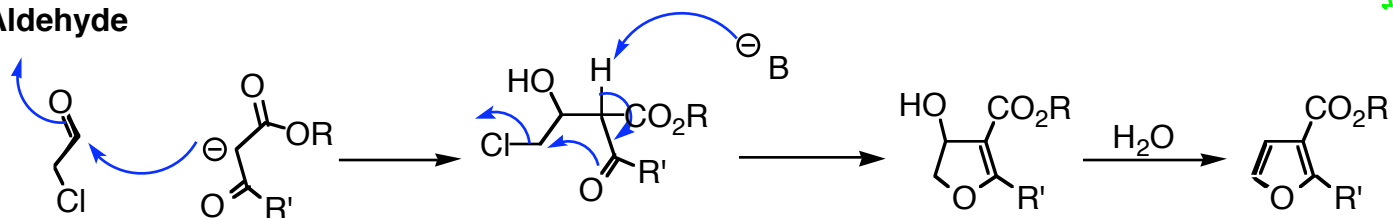


### Strategy a<sup>1</sup> Paal Knorr (1,4-dikacarbonyl)

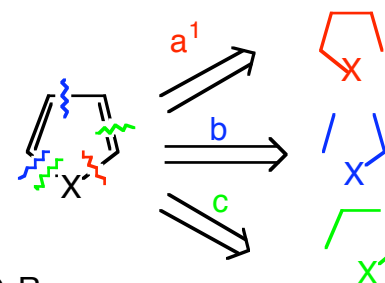
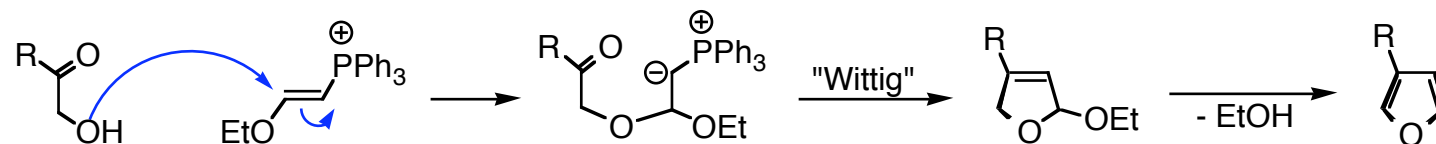
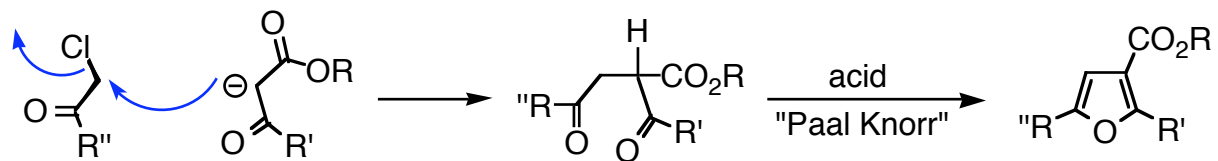


## Strategy b

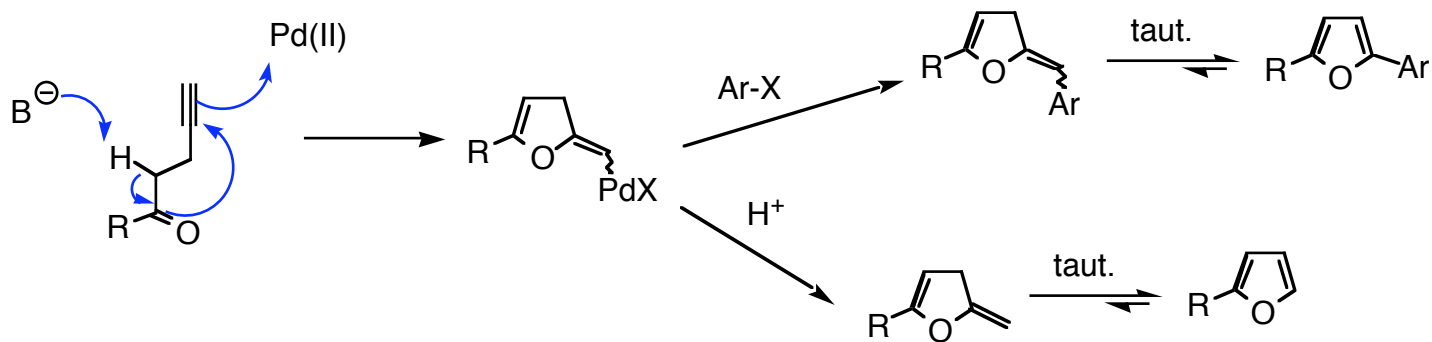
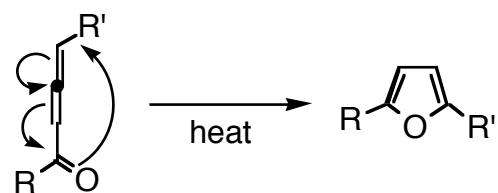
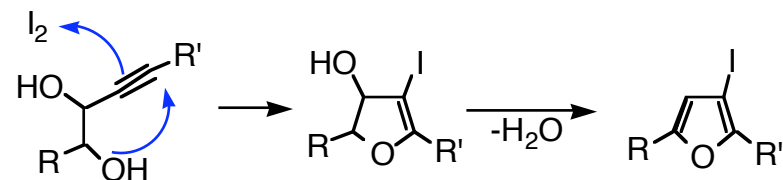
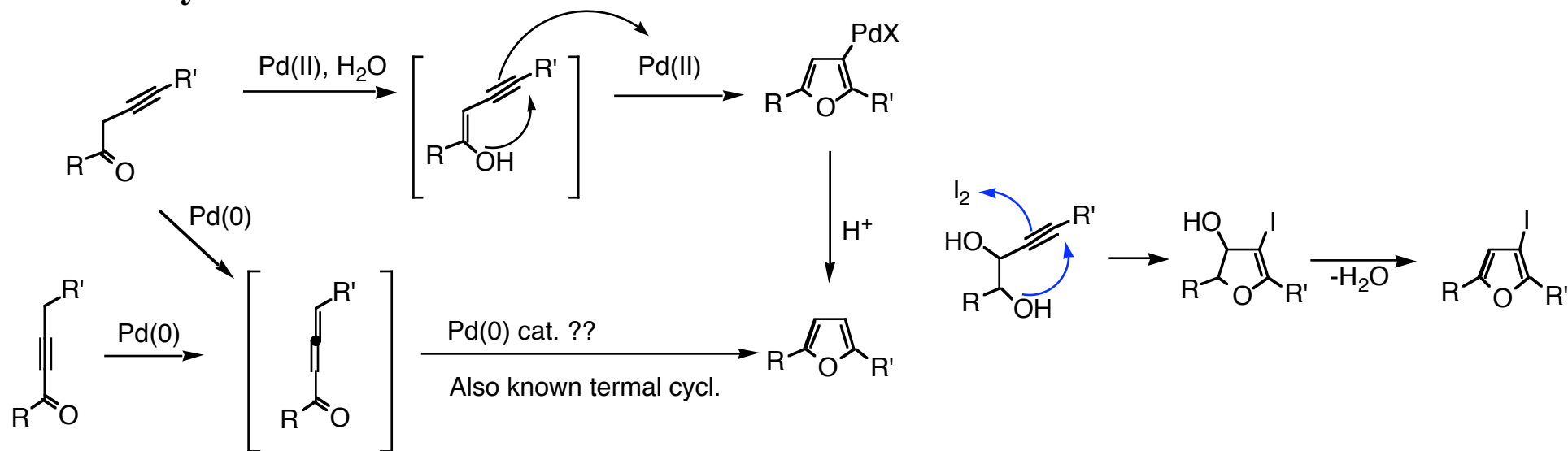
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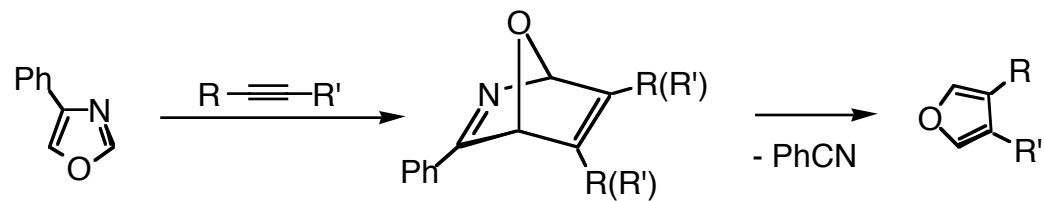
### Ketone



## Pd-cat. Cyclisations etc.



## Cycloadditions



R / R': i.e. -SnBu<sub>3</sub>, -SiMe<sub>3</sub>, alkyls etc.

**c.f.**

