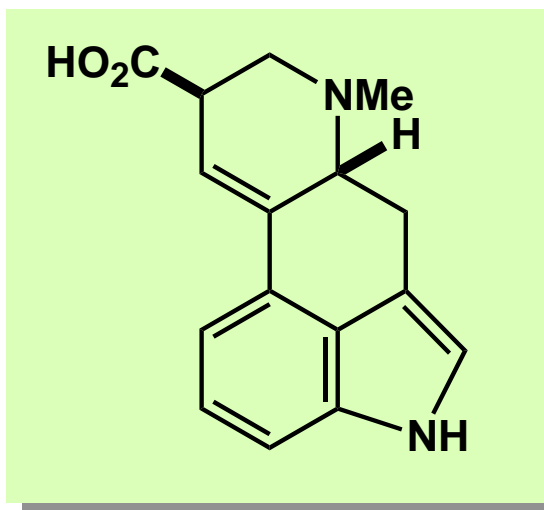


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# Synthetic Studies on (+)-Lysergic Acid



## Isolation

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## Structure Determination

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## Total Syntheses (Racemic Form)

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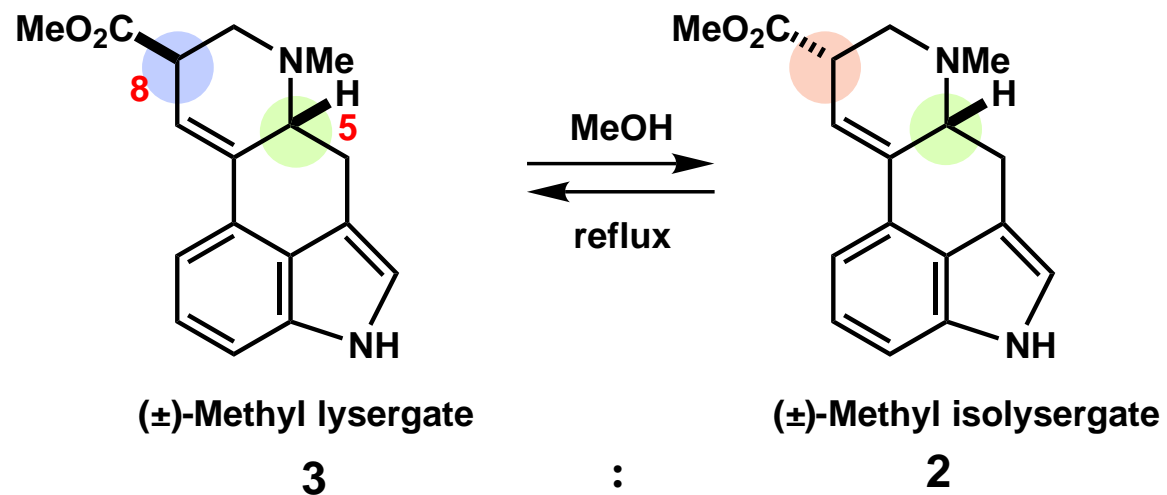
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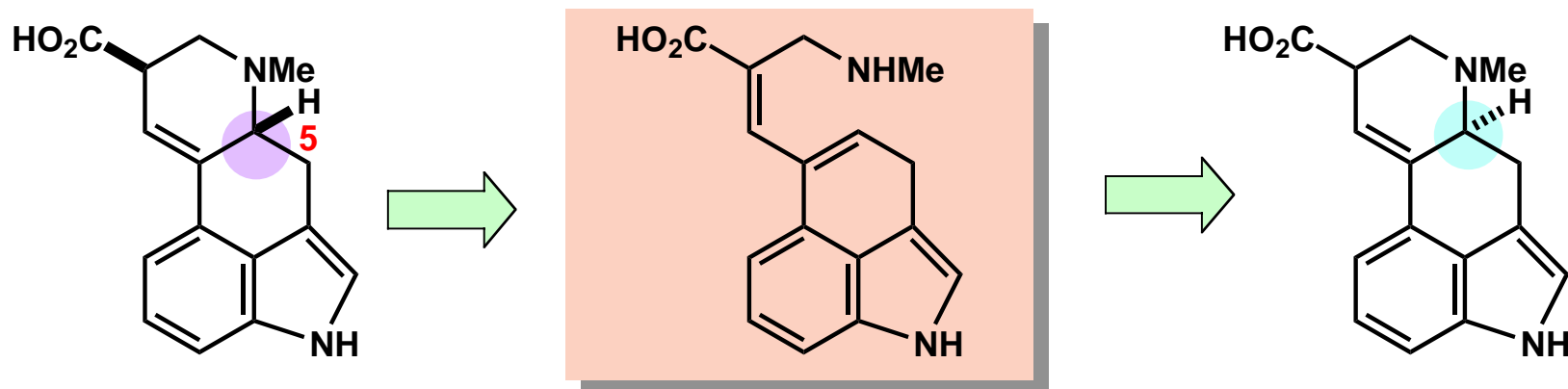
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## Lysergic Acid is Easily Epimerized



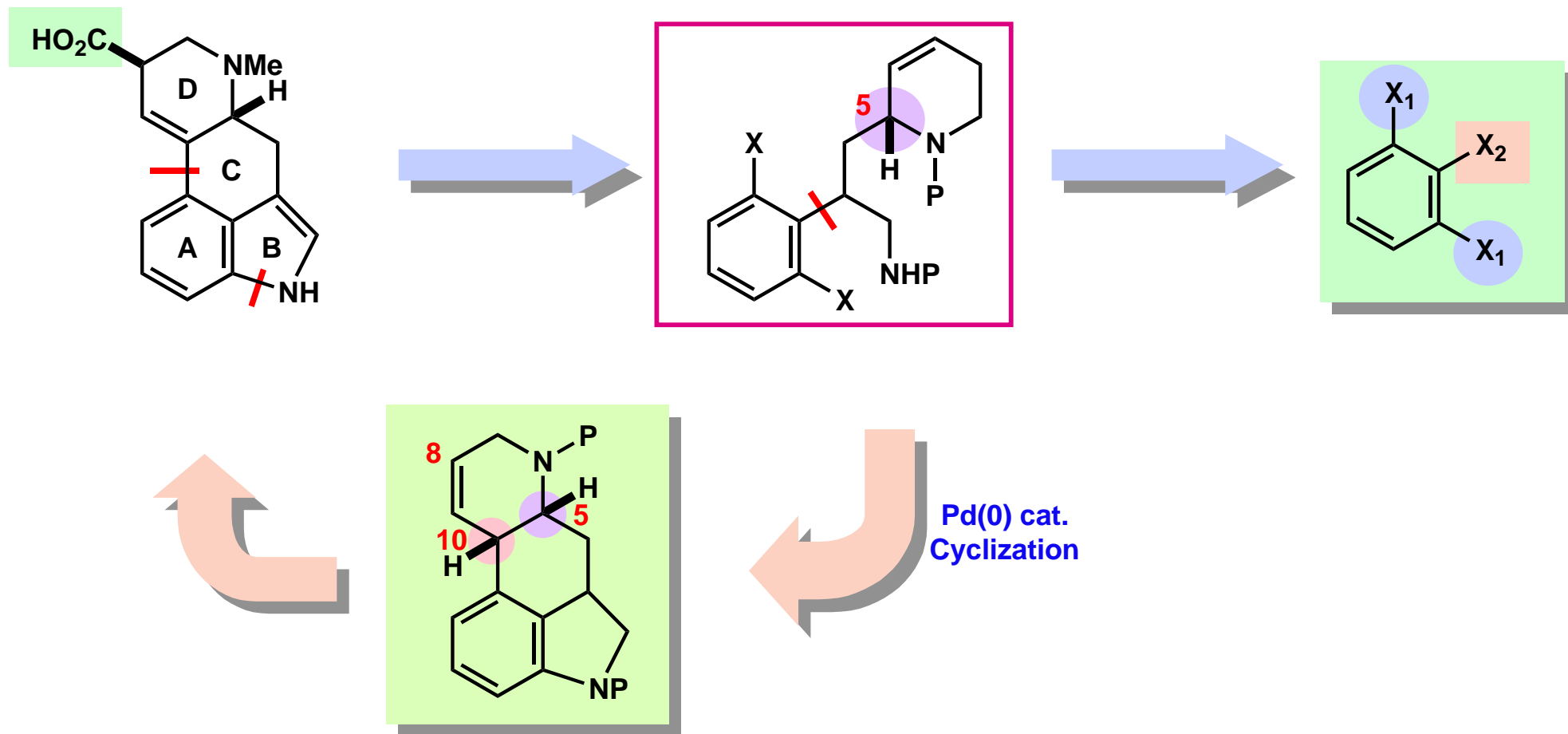
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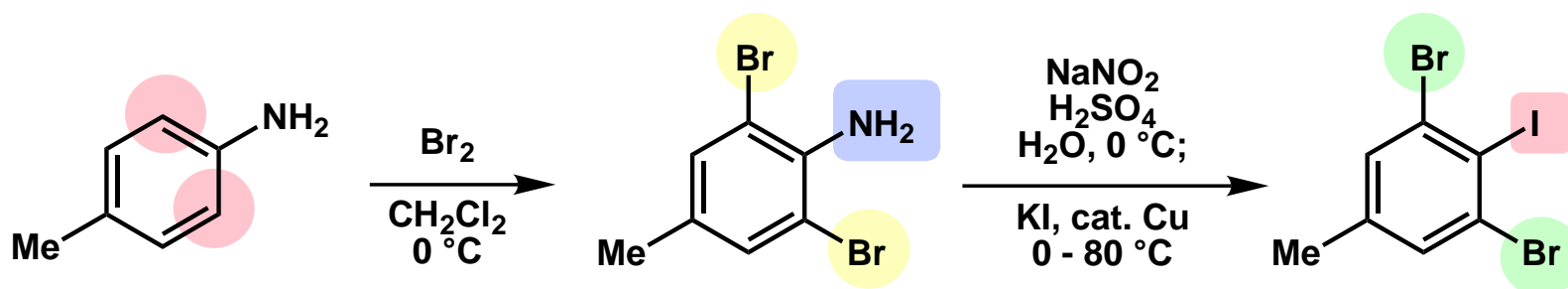
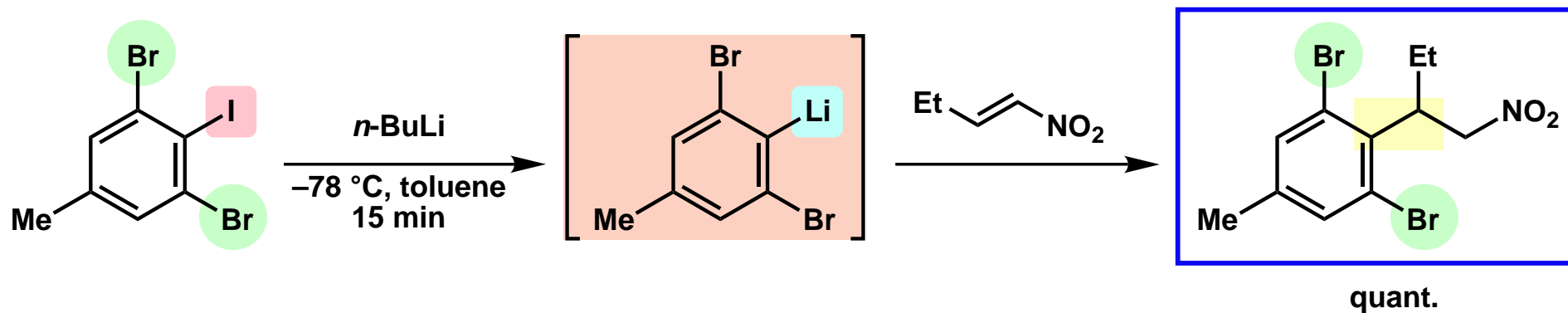
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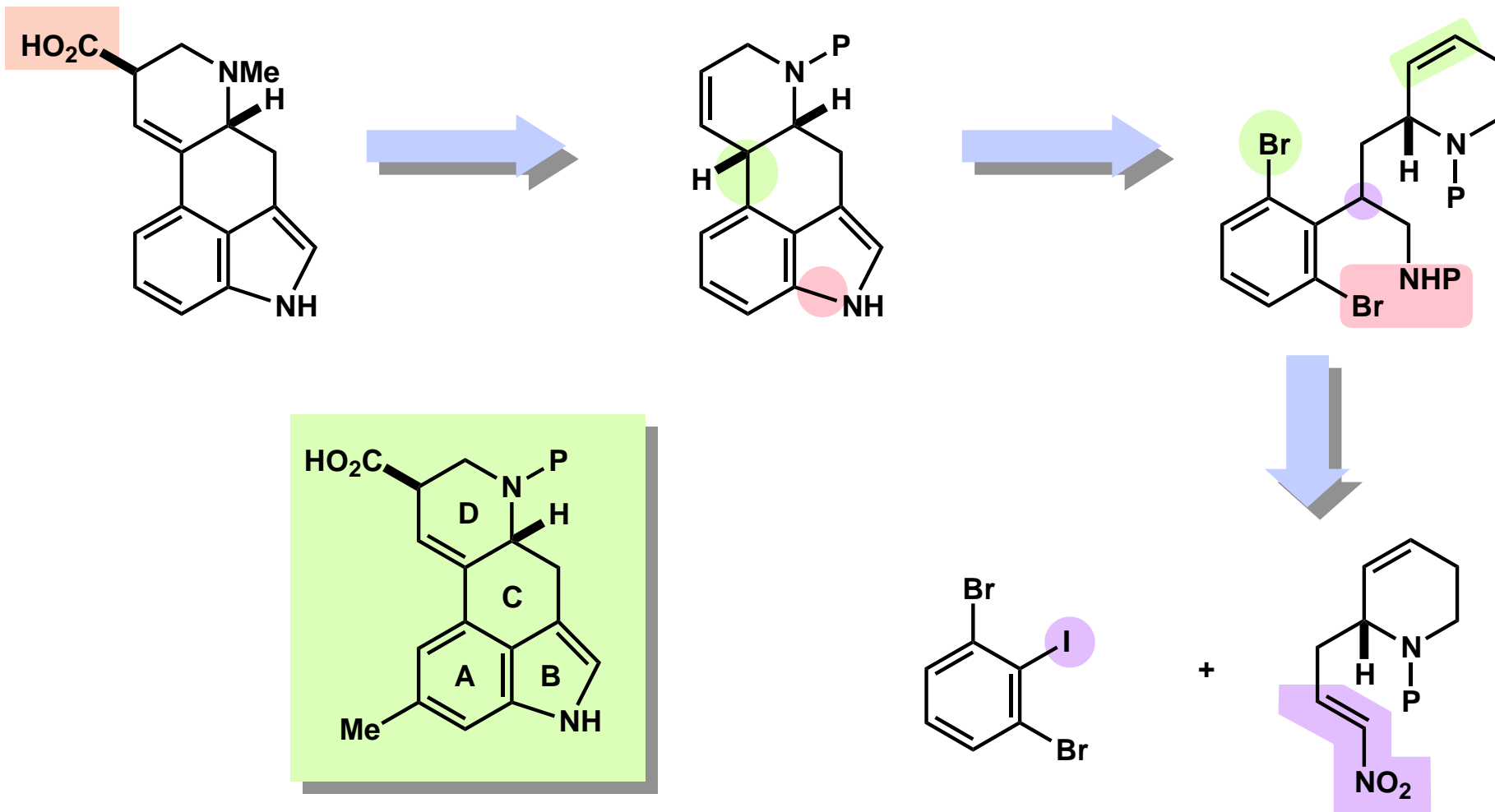
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# Novel Method of the Connection



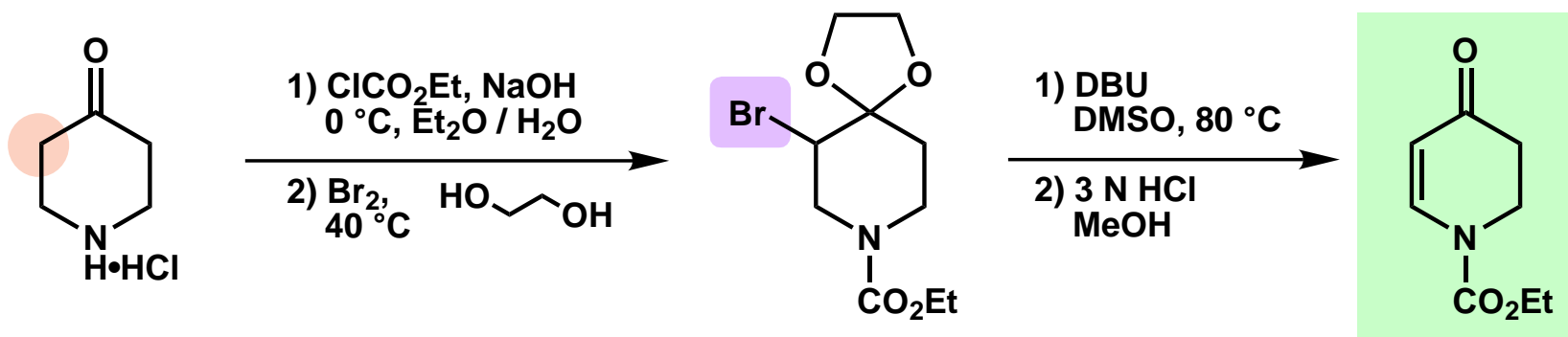
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# Retrosynthetic Analysis

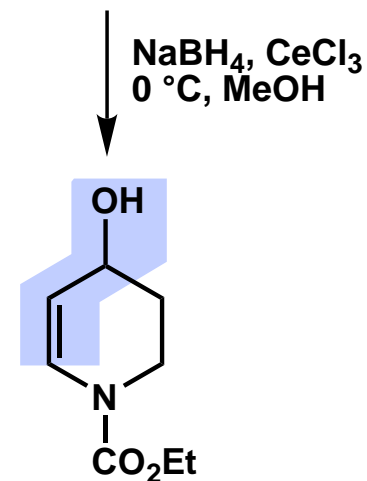
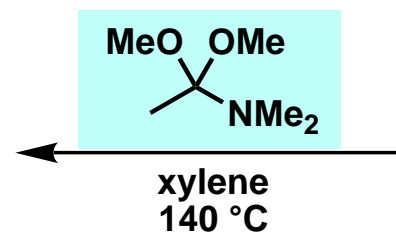
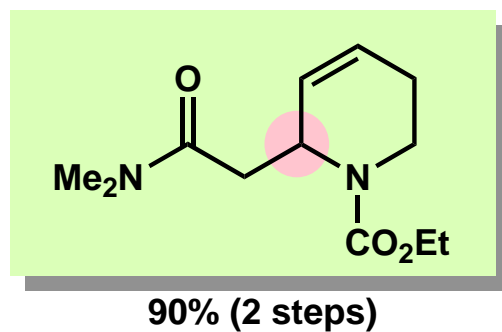


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# Model Study

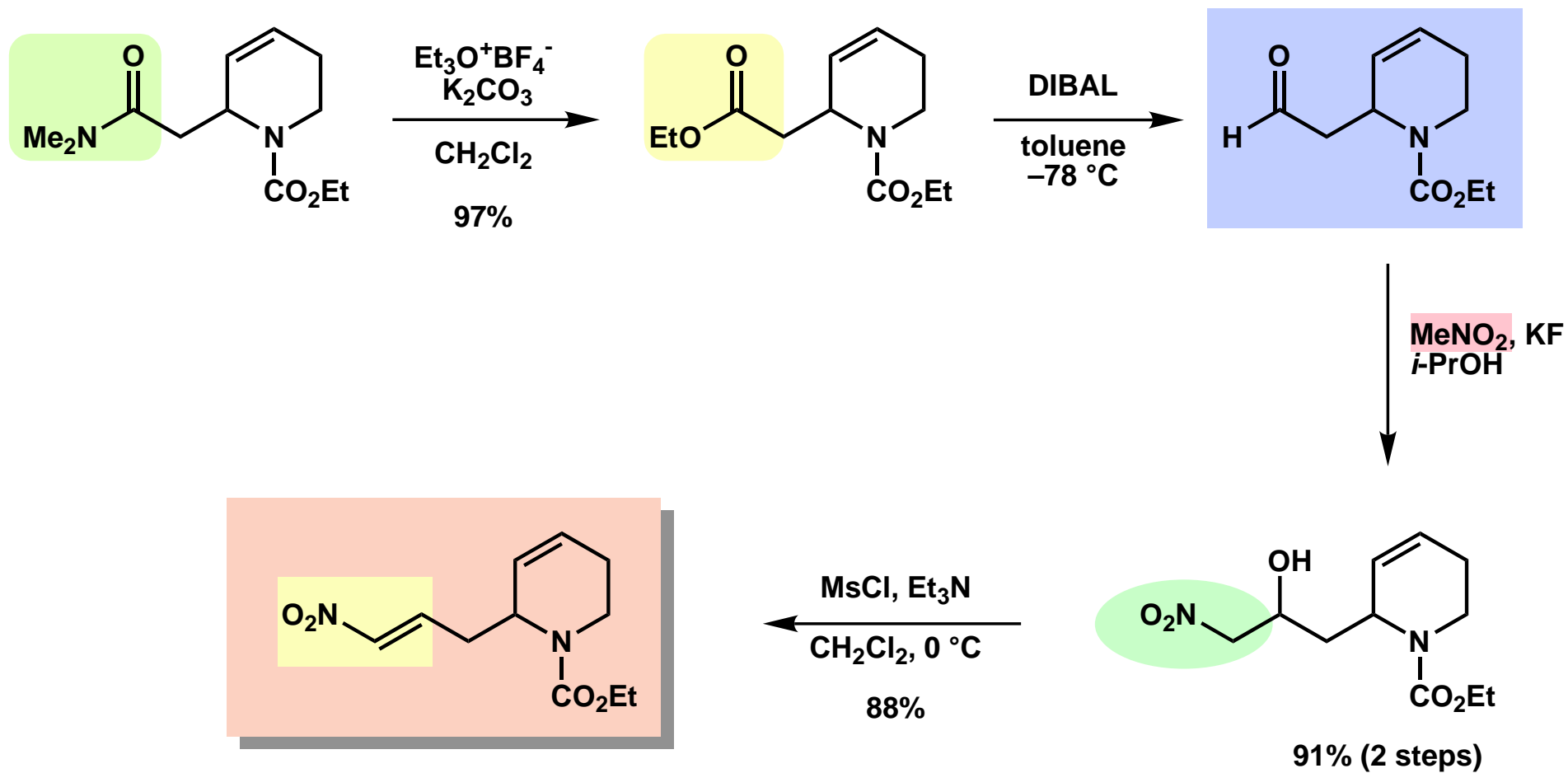


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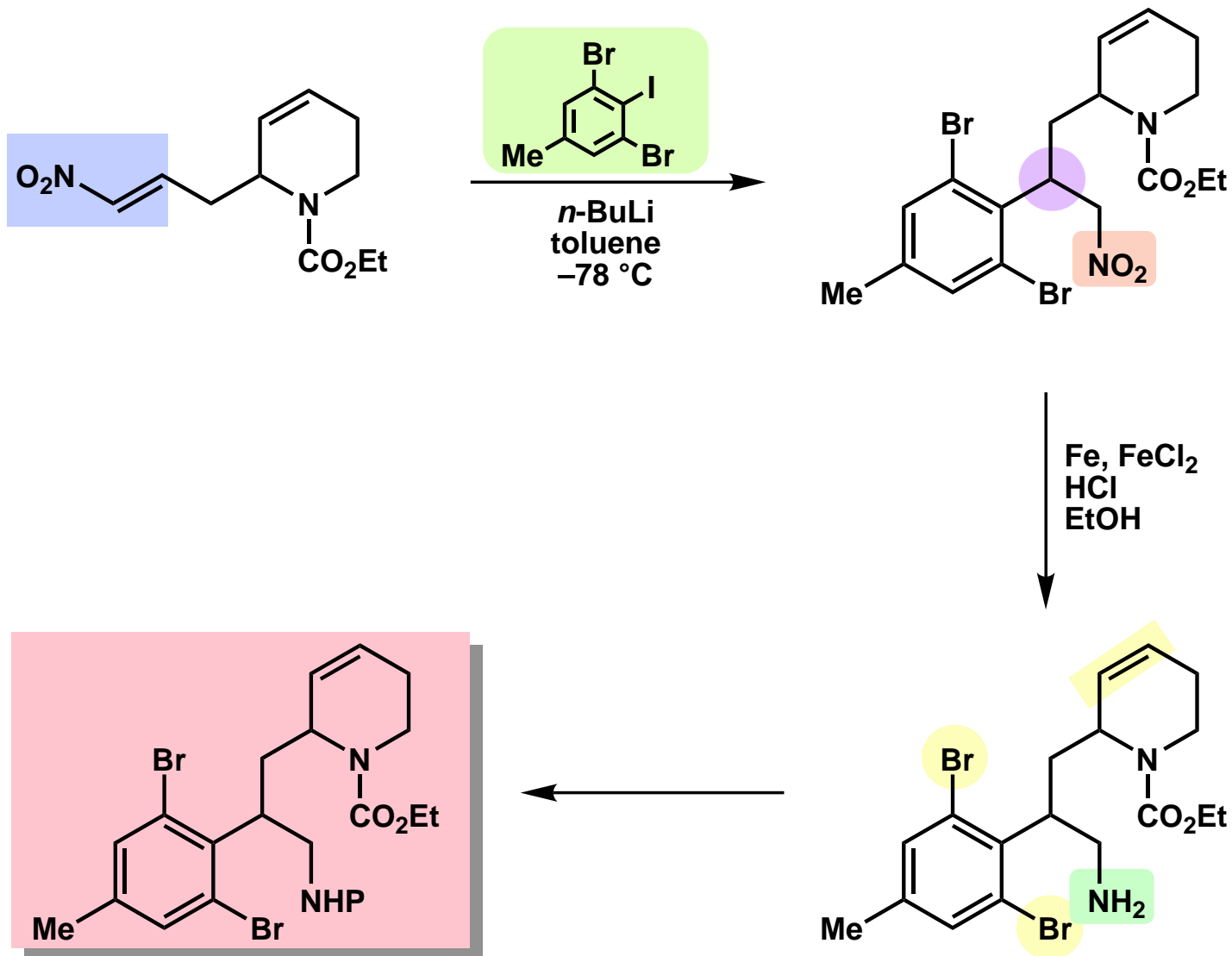
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# Synthesis of $\alpha$ -Nitroalkene



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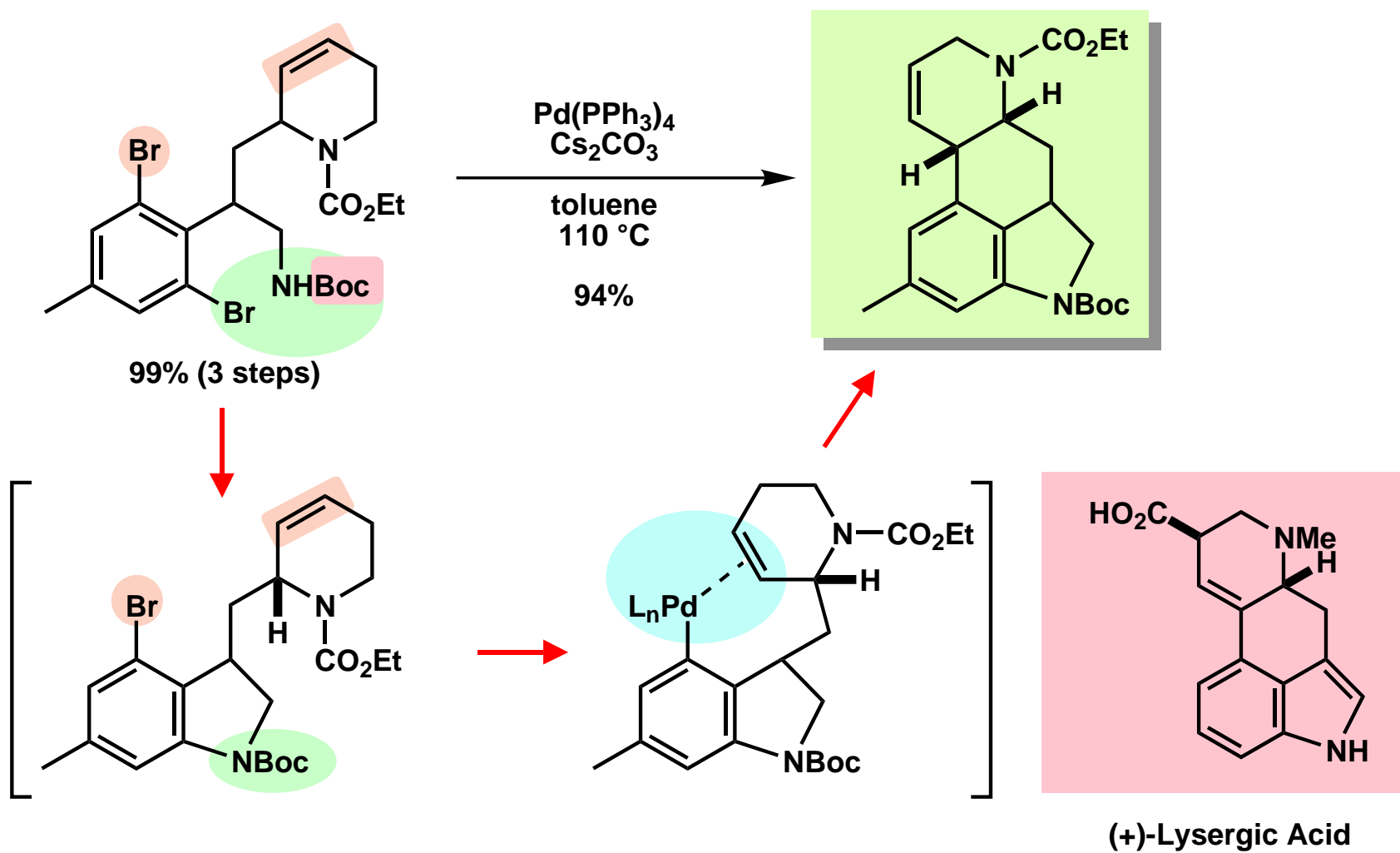
# Preparation of Cyclization Precursors



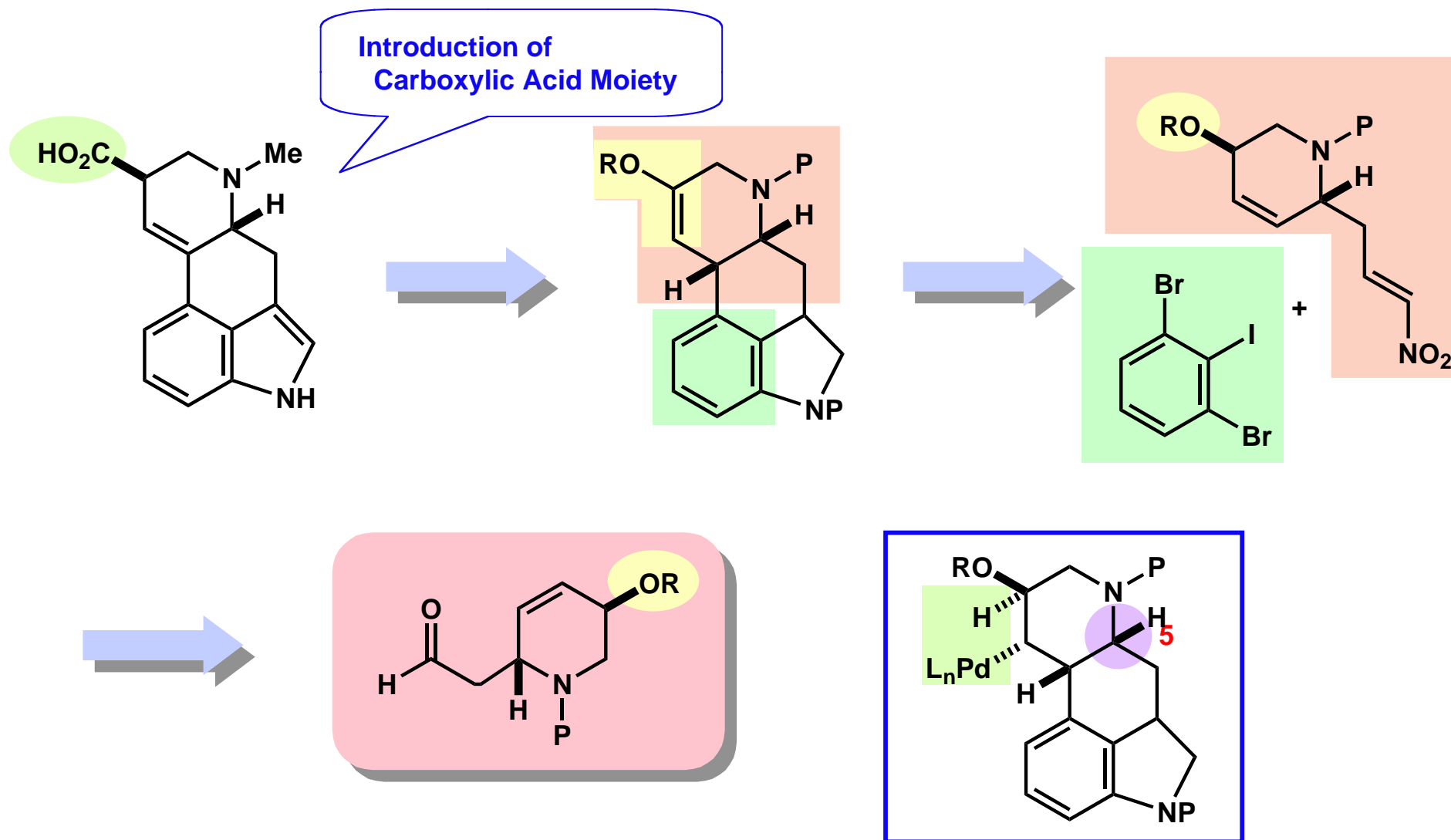


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# Double Cyclization Succeeded !

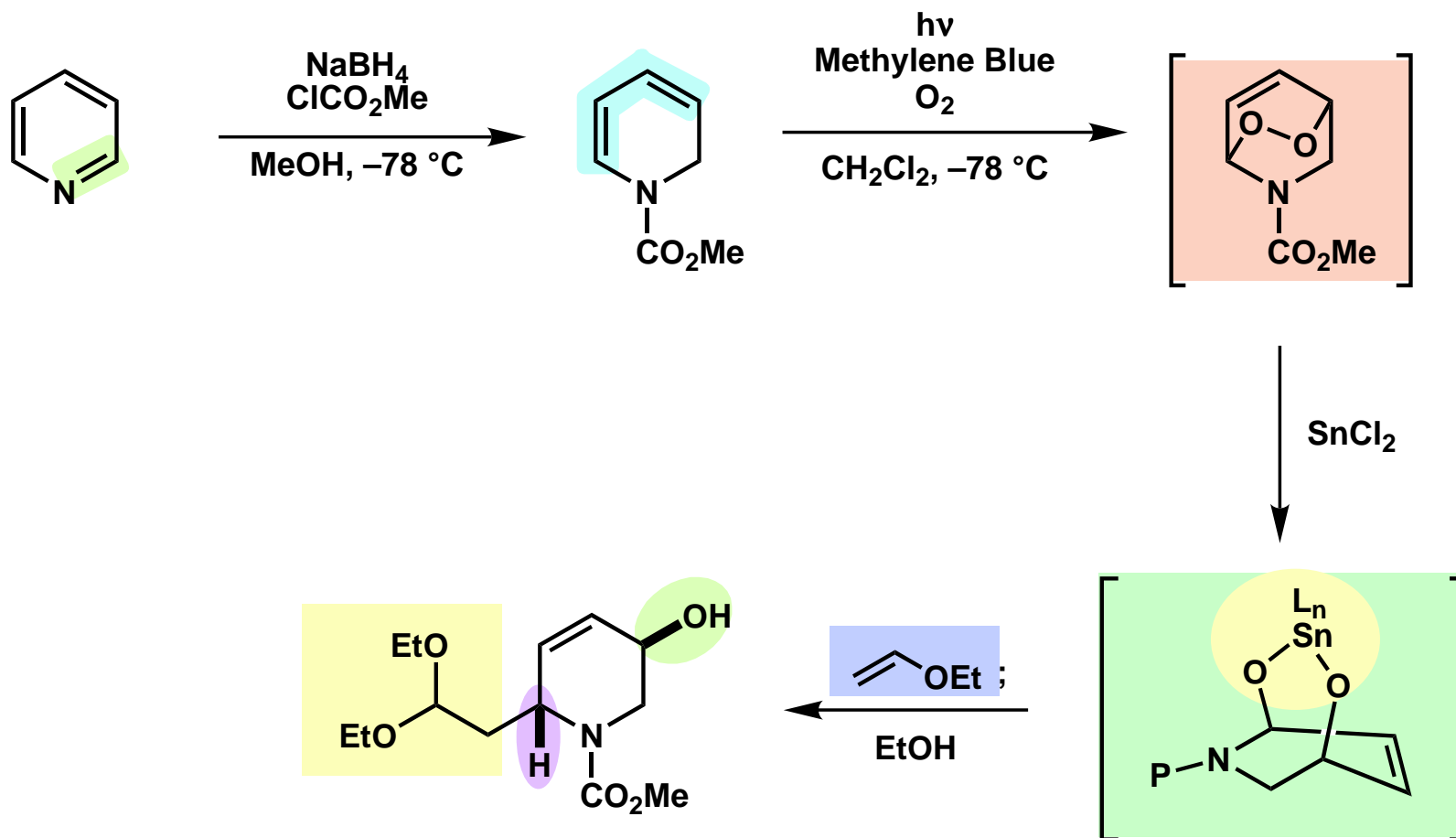


# Modified Retrosynthetic Analysis



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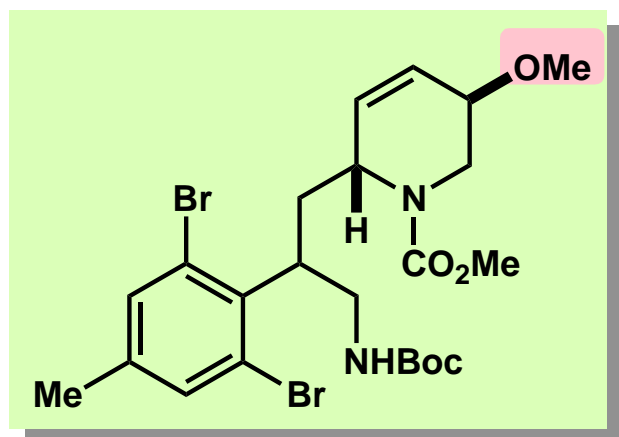
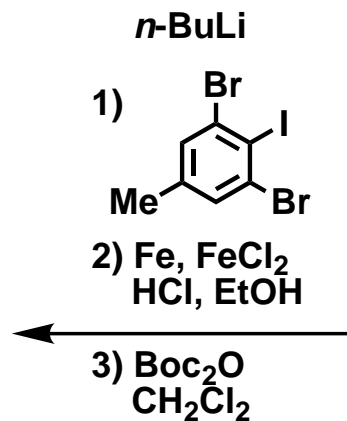
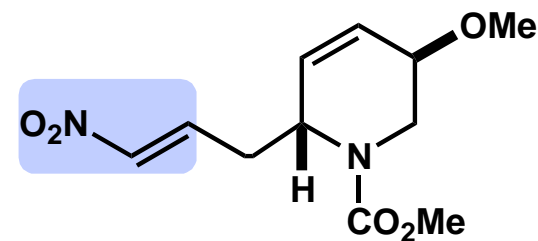
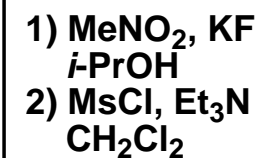
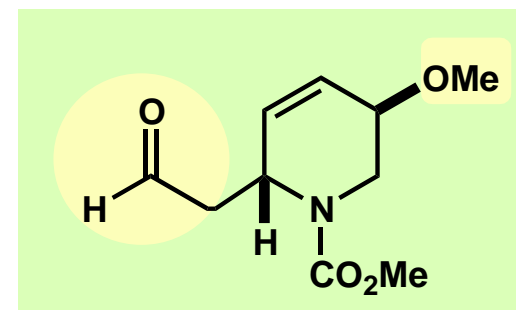
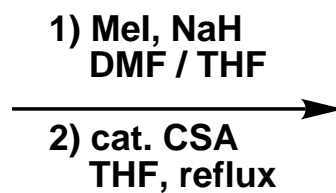
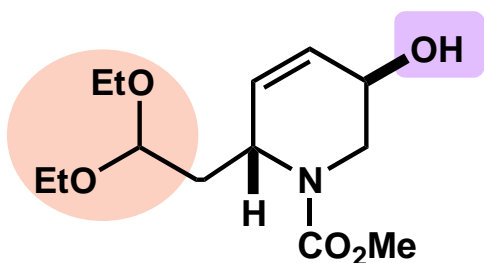
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# Conversion to Cyclization Precursor

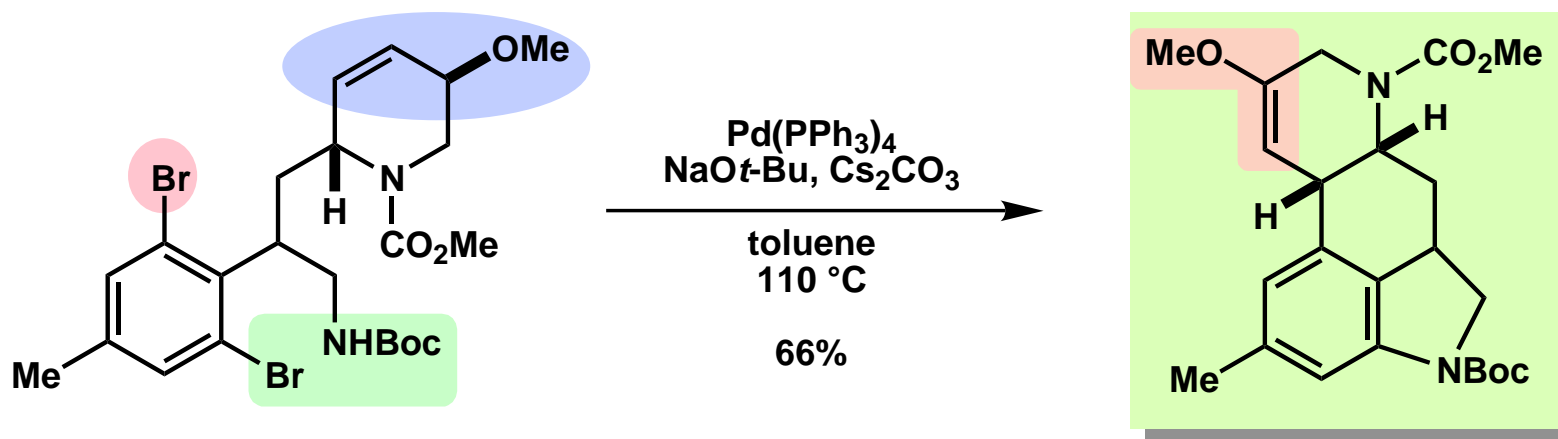


84% (3 steps)

62% (4 steps)

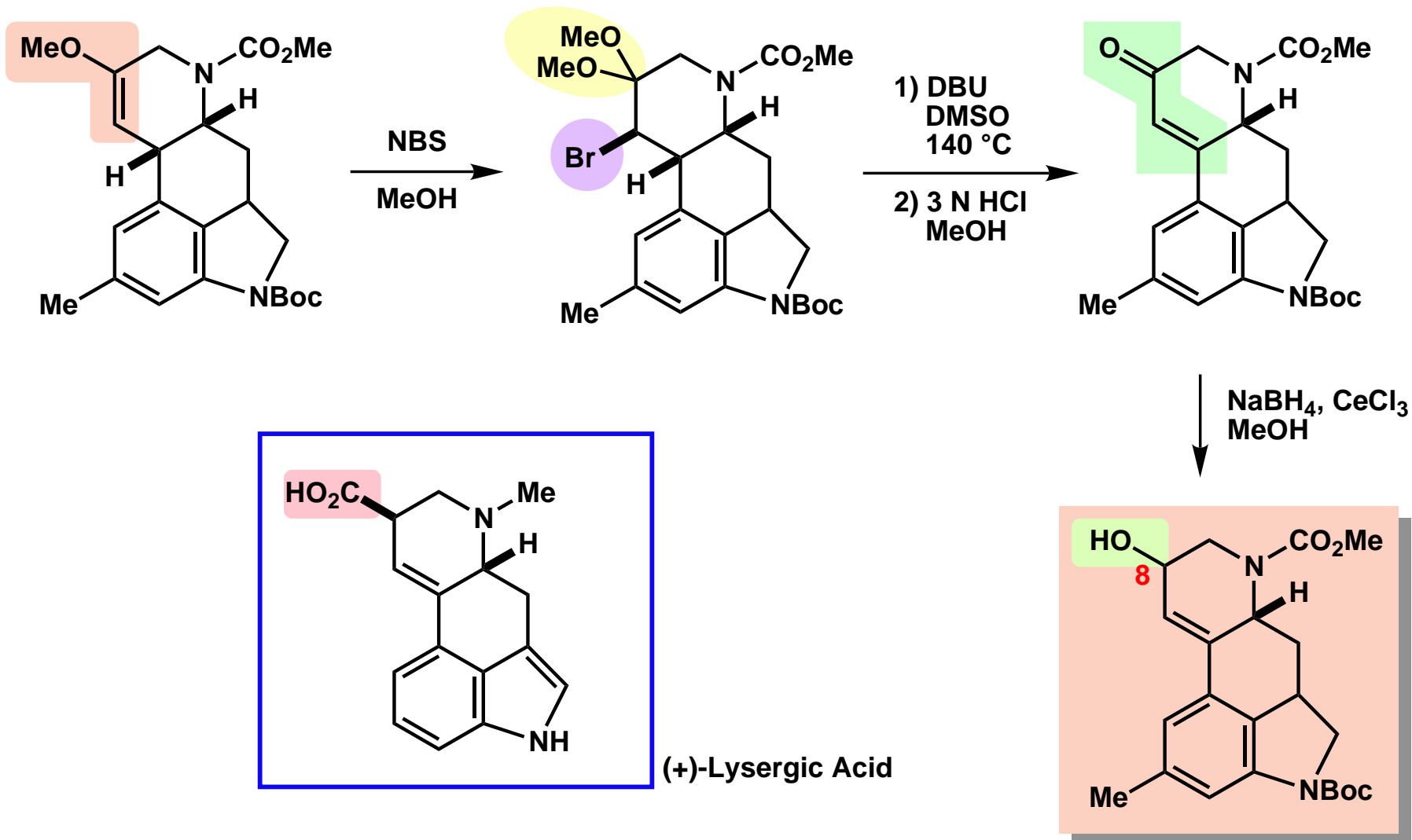
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## Construction of the Tetracyclic Skeleton



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## Latest Results



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## Summary

