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The ACS AUDIO COURSE on "Modern-Organic Synthesis," by Professors Barry M. Trost and Edwin Vedejs of the University of Wisconsin, is intended for individuals who are concerned with putting organic molecules together. A survey of important modern synthetic techniques is presented within a context of several recent contributions in organic synthesis. Emphasis is placed on general methods. For maximum benefit the student is expected to have a background knowledge of basic organic chemistry as well as a familiarity with classical synthetic techniques.

This volume is the reference manual that is integrated with the audiotape of "Modern Organic Synthesis." The two together--the tape and manual--comprise the ACS AUDIO COURSE; neither is complete without the other. Because the lecturers refer constantly to the manual, each listener should have a copy of the manual as he listens, so he may follow these references.

The manual was not written to be a self-sufficient textbook. It was designed, rather, to be used as a workbook while listening to the tape. The listener is urged to take notes with the expectation that this activity will reinforce the learning process. The product is a personally annotated volume which should serve as an authoritative and up to date introduction to the subject.

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General Outline*

I. Planning a synthesis

- A. Synthetic goal -- definition of problem
- B. Consideration of properties of product
- C. Stereochemical relationships
- D. Recognition of structural types
- E. Correlation with simple building blocks
- F. Methods of structural alteration

II. Reaction types

A. Reductions

- 1. Catalytic hydrogenation
 - a. Heterogeneous catalysis
 - b. Homogeneous catalysis
- 2. Dissolving metals
 - a. Reduction of unsaturated systems
 - b. Replacement of halide by hydrogen
 - c. Olefin formation by reductive vicinal cleavage
- 3. Metal hydrides (aluminum, boron, and tin hydrides)
 - a. Carbonyl compounds
 - b. Halides

B. Oxidations

- 1. Cr(VI)
- 2. Permanganate
- 3. Lead tetraacetate and sodium metaperiodate
- 4. Osmium tetroxide
- 5. Ozonolysis
- 6. Selenium dioxide
- 7. Peracids
- 8. Halogenation
- 9. Peresters
- 10. Photosensitized oxidation

C. Carbon-carbon bond formation

- 1. Alkylations (including Michael reaction)
 - a. Activating and blocking groups
 - b. Specific enolate generation
 - (1) Enol acetate
 - (2) Enol silanes
 - (3) α,β -unsaturation
 - (4) Cleavage of α -substituents

c. Enolate derivatives

- (1) Enamines
- (2) Salts of Schiff bases

2. Condensations at the carbonyl group

- a. Aldol and related condensation
- b. Ylide reactions

- (1) Phosphorus ylides
- (2) Sulfur ylides

c. Claisen and related condensations

3. Cycloadditions

- a. Diels-Alder
- b. Carbenes
- c. Thermal and photolytic 2 + 2 additions

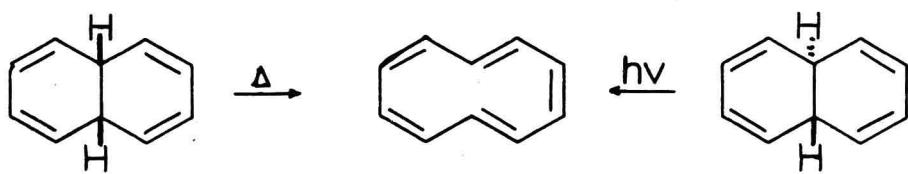
- (1) Reactions of allenes and ketenes
- (2) Reactions of activated olefins
- (3) Enone cycloadditions

E. Rearrangements

- 1. Valence isomerizations
- 2. Rearrangements involving carbonium ions
- 3. Ring contractions; pinacol rearrangements

* Note: The course lectures do not follow the order of this outline.

I. Synthesis of Cyclodecapentaene



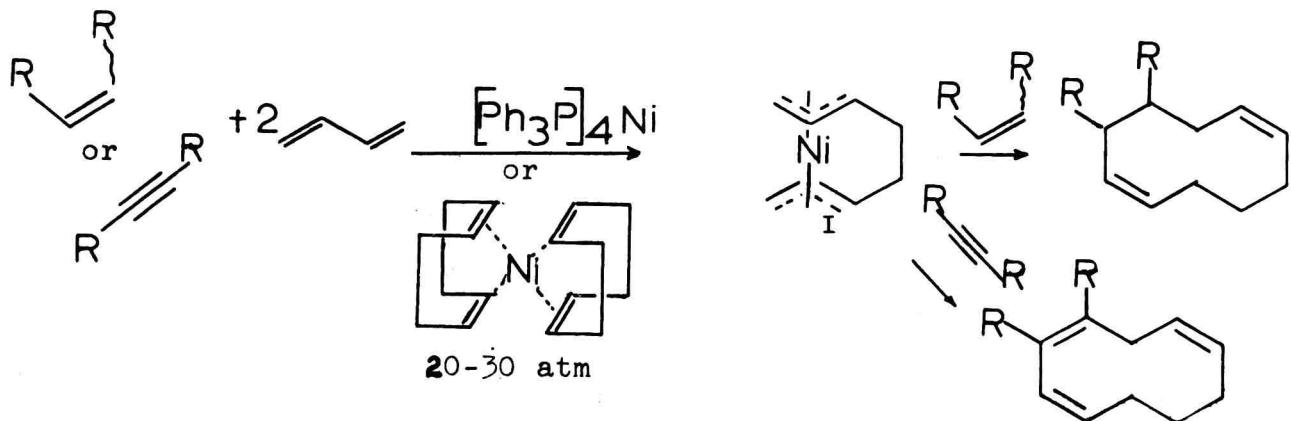
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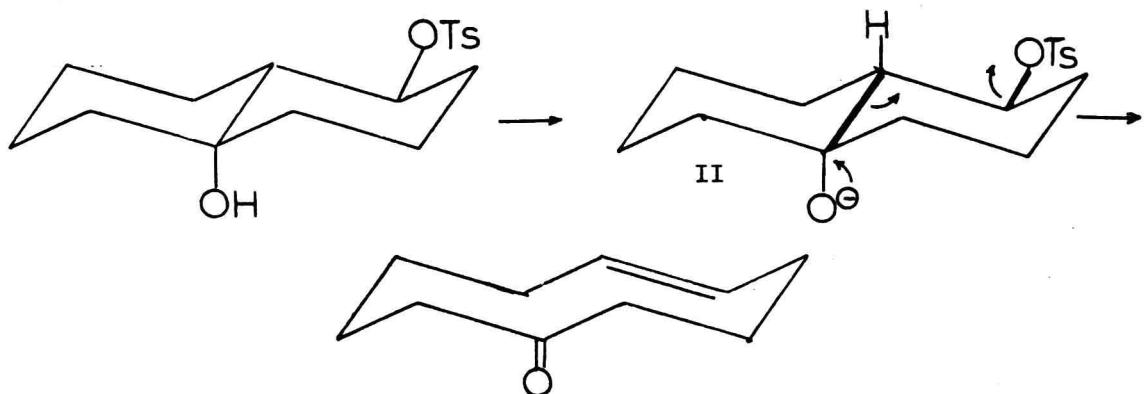
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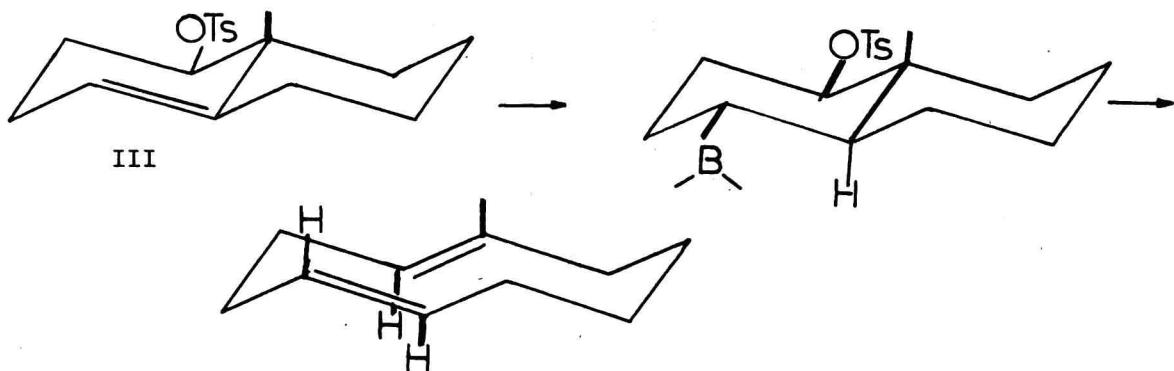
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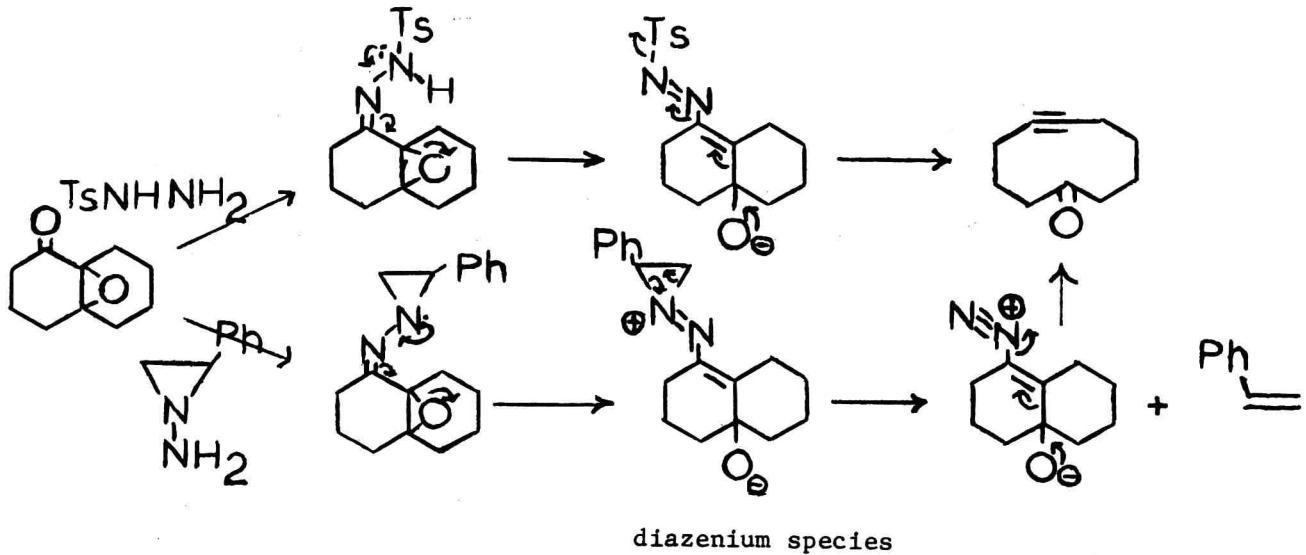
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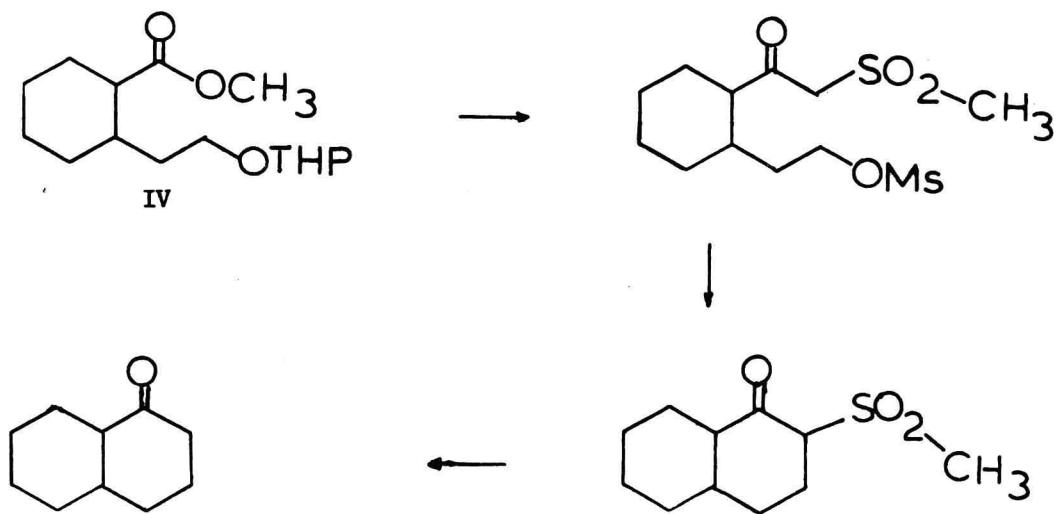
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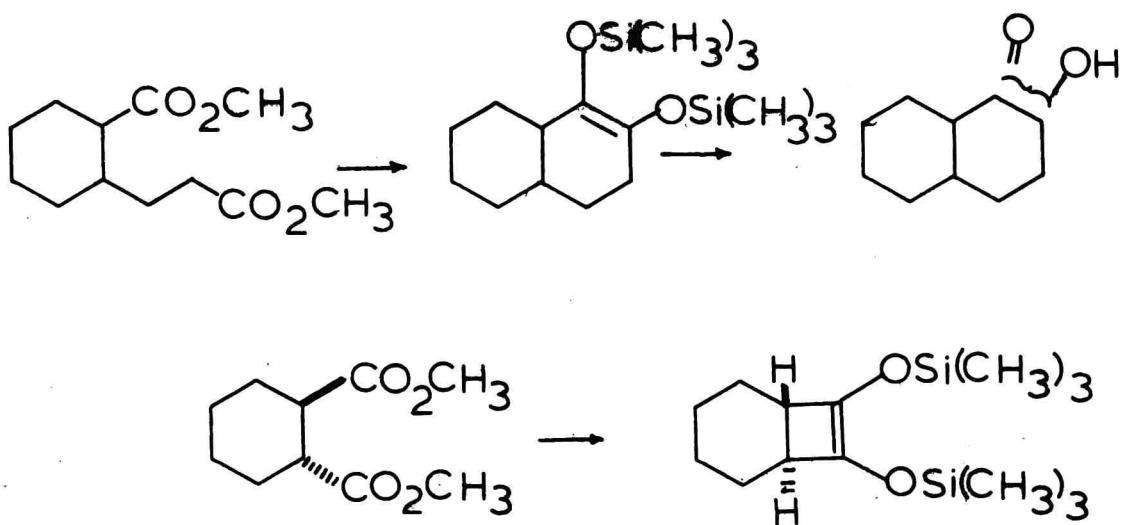
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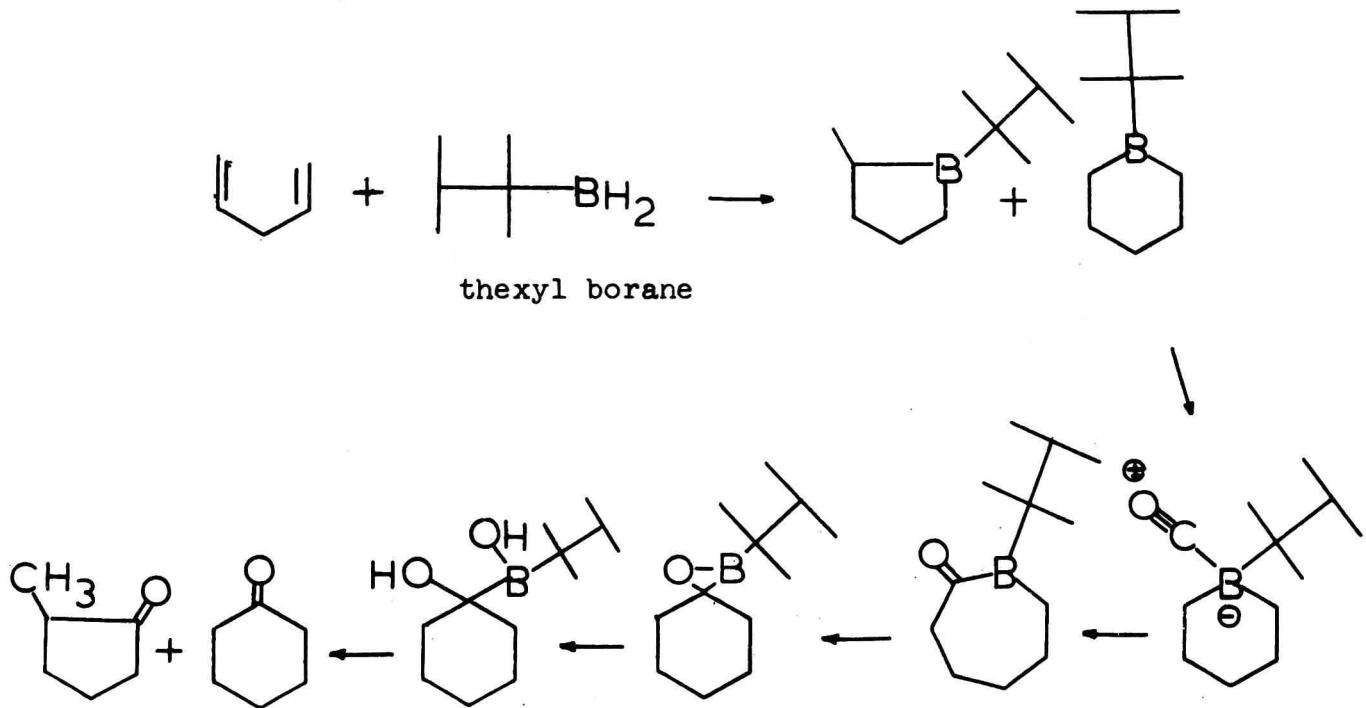
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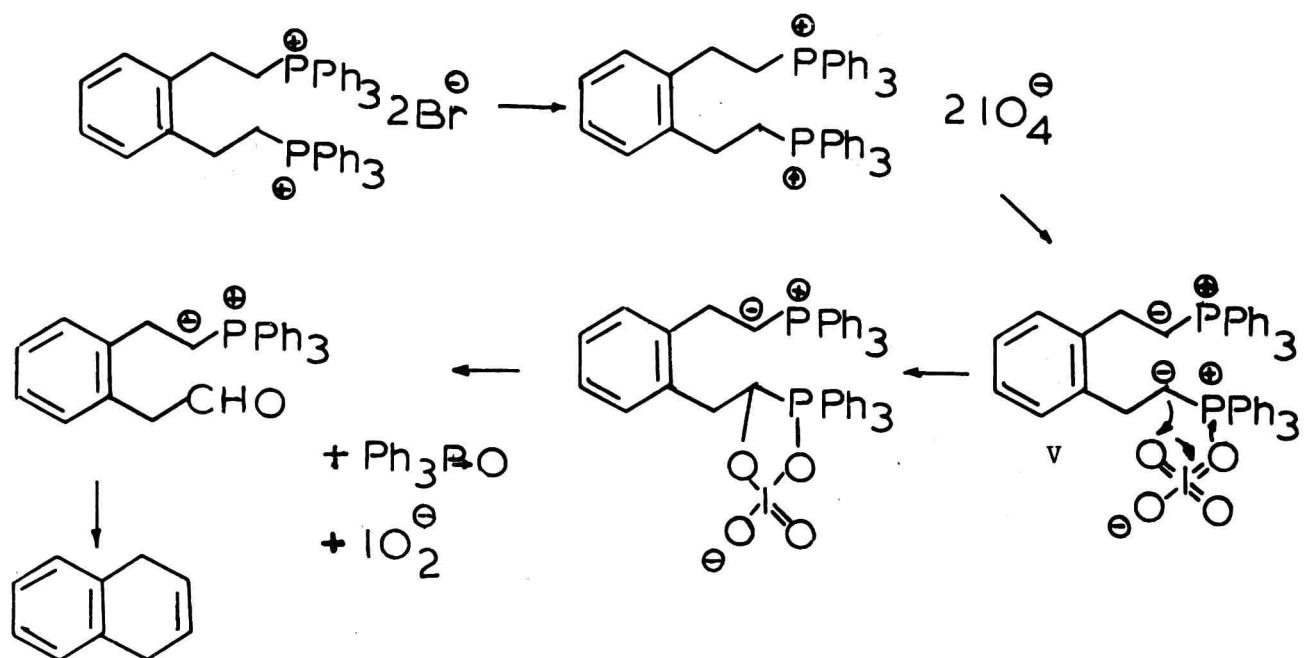
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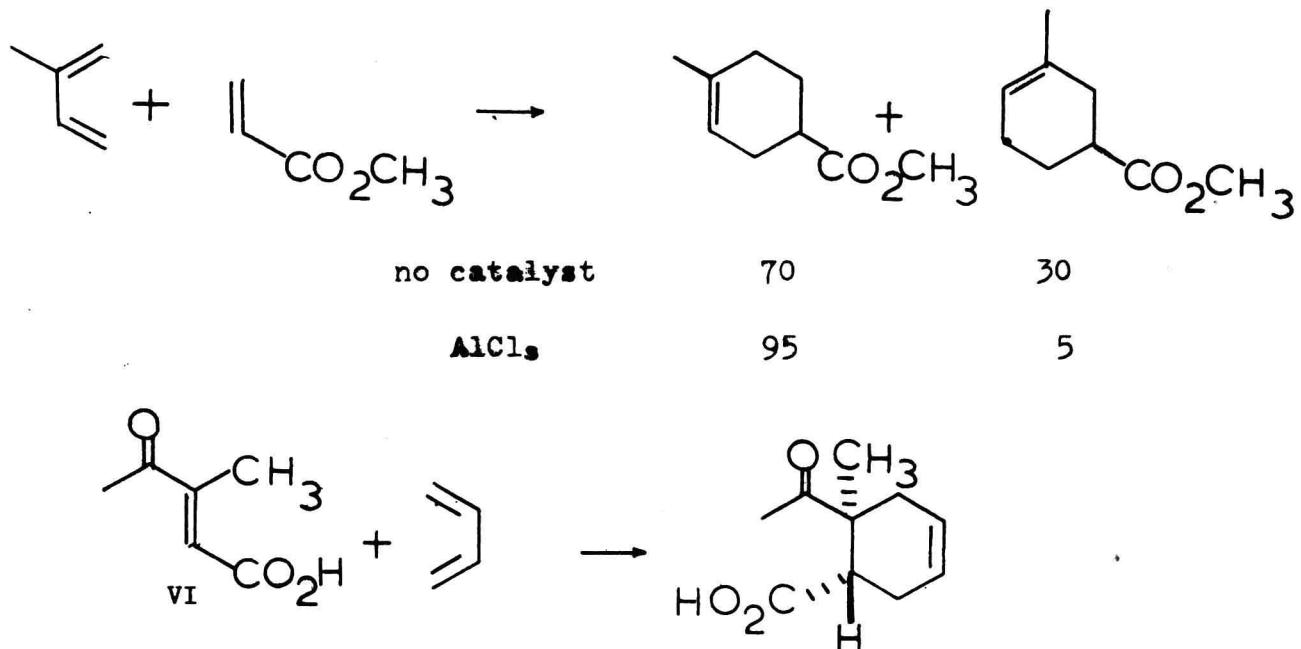


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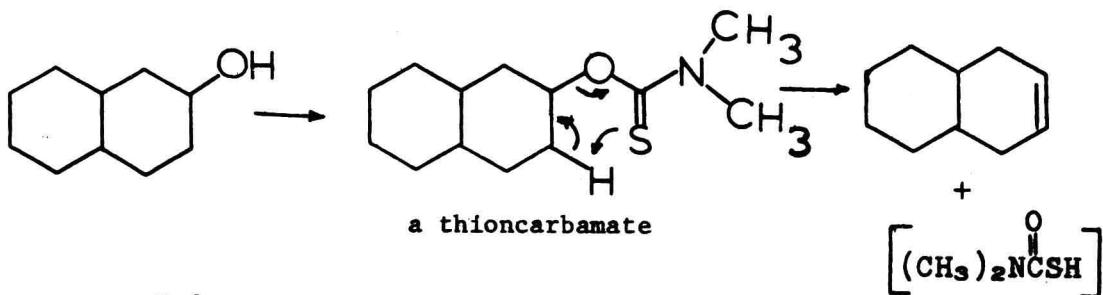
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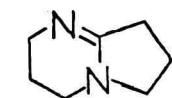
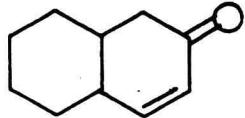
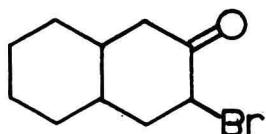
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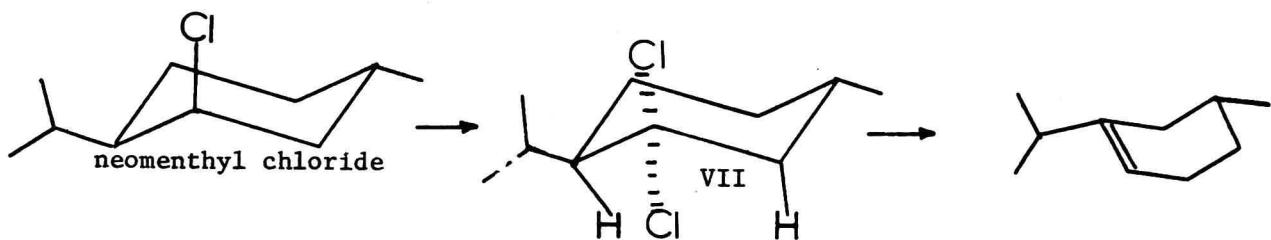
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3. Dehydrohalogenation



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