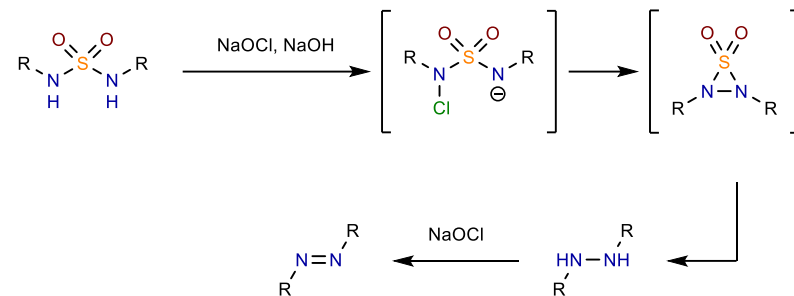


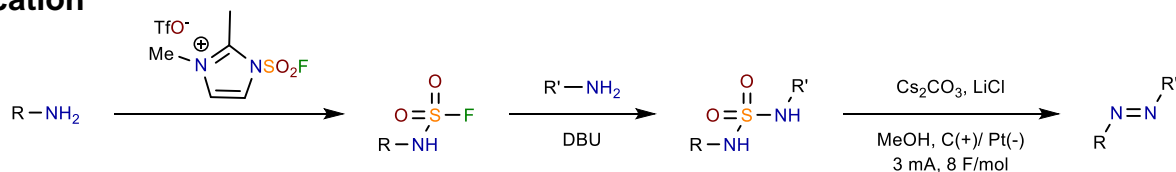
## Introduction

- Typically, diaryl azos are prepared by electrophilic aromatic substitution.
- Diazenes can also be prepared by condensation of hydrazine followed by oxidation, or by [4+2] cycloadditions with azidocarboxylates.
- The “aza Ramberg-Bäcklund” offers an alternative approach to the preparation of aryl and alkyl diazenes.
- Mechanistically this is similar to the Ramberg-Bäcklund and occurs with extrusion of  $\text{SO}_2$ .

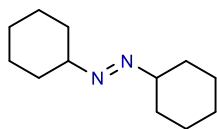


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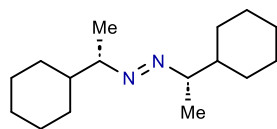
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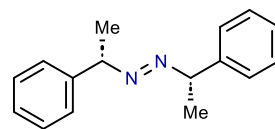
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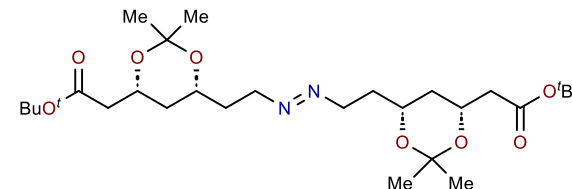
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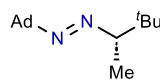


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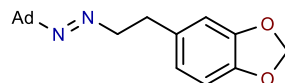


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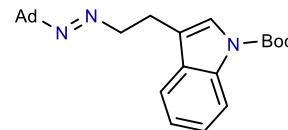
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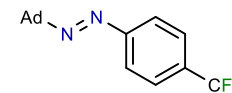
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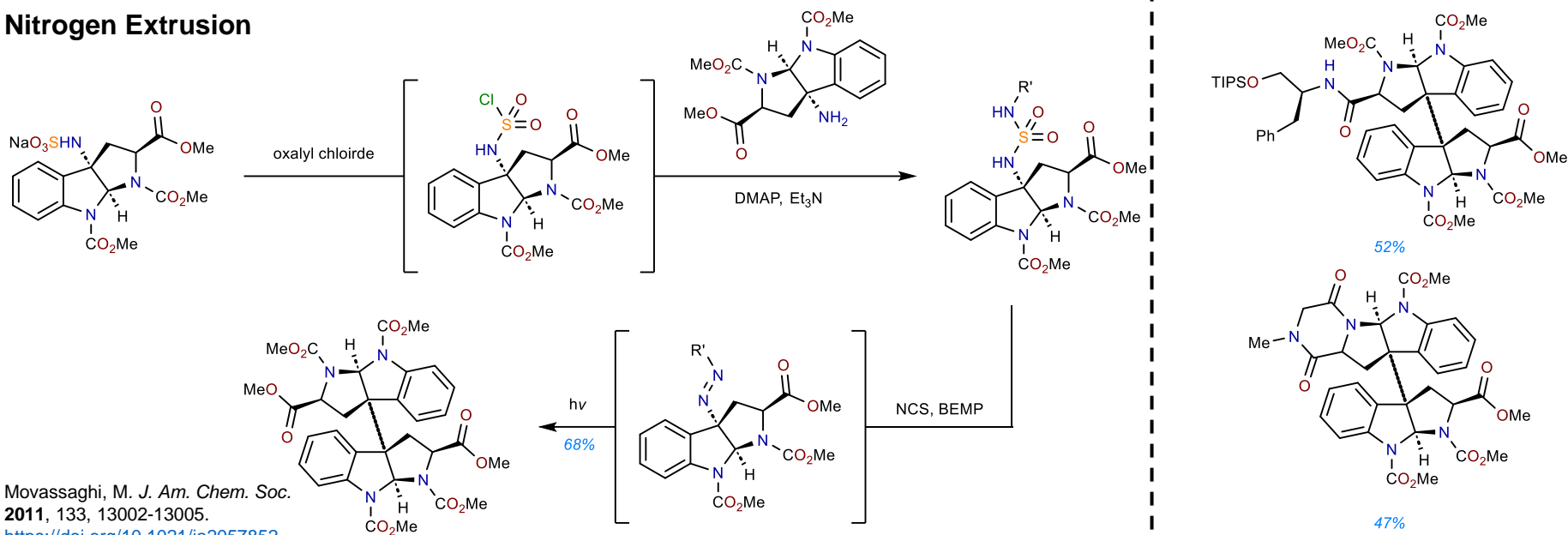


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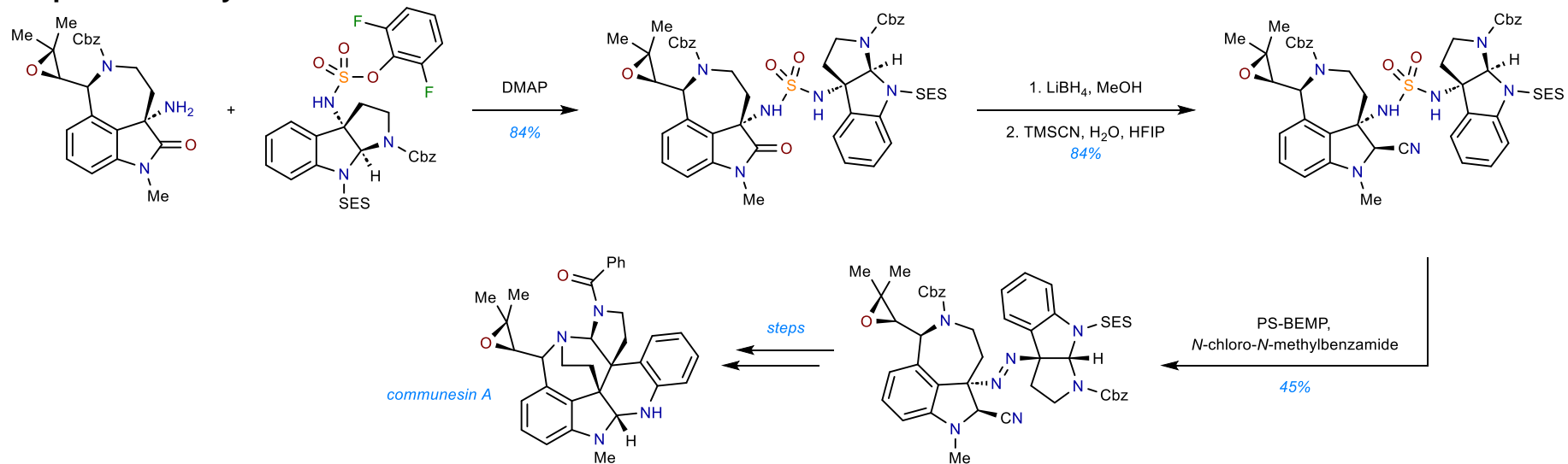
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## Example in Total Synthesis



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