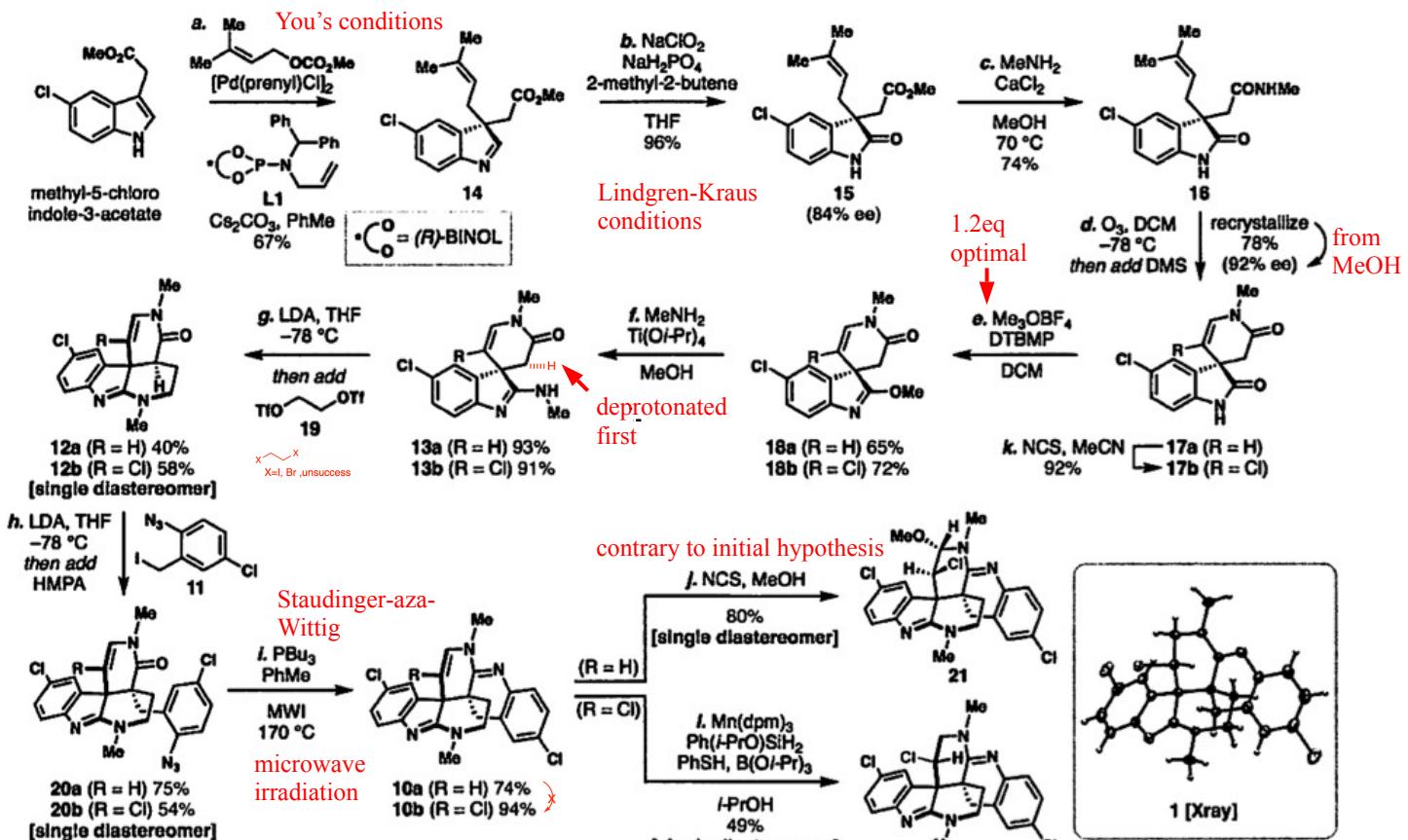


neopentyllic stereocenter

ketone-amidine annulation



Scheme 1. Asymmetric Total Synthesis of Caulamidine A (1)^a

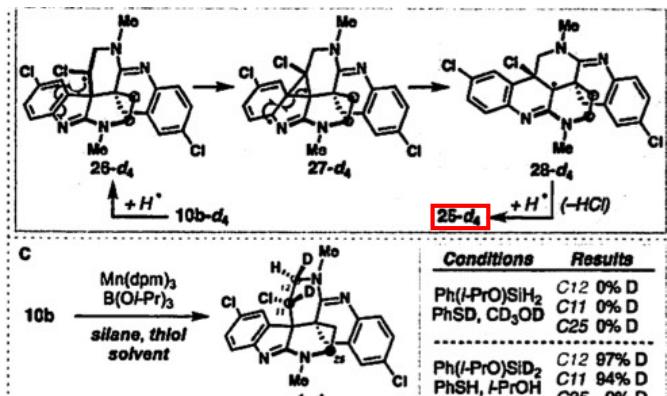
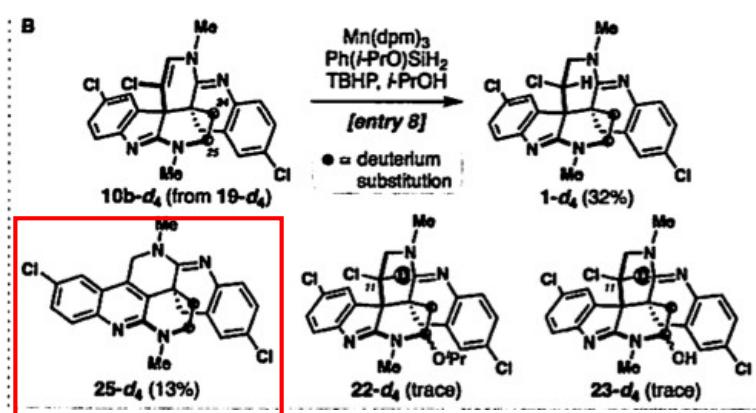
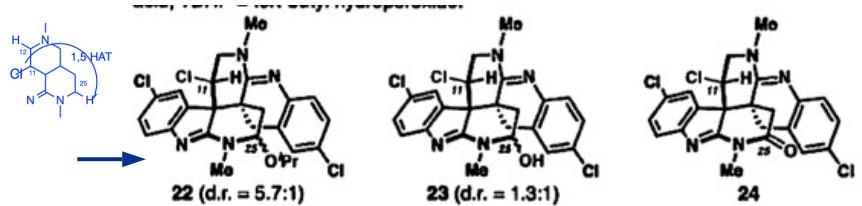


“incredibly challenging” (-)-caulamidine A (1)

optimized using HAT conditions

Entry	Conditions	Reaction Products ^a
1	TFA, Et ₃ SiH, DCM	10b
2	H ₂ , PtO ₂ , AcOH/EtOAc	10b, 9 (14%), 1 (6%)
3	Fe ₂ (ox) ₃ , NaBH ₄ , EtOH/H ₂ O	10b
4	Co(acac) ₃ , Et ₃ SiH, 1,4-CHD, TBHP, n-PrOH, air	10b
5	Fe(acac) ₃ , PhSH ₃ , PhSH, EtOH	10b
6	Mn(dpm) ₃ , PhSiH ₃ , TBHP, i-PrOH	10b
7 ^b	Mn(dpm) ₃ , Ph(i-PrO)SiH ₂ , TBHP, i-PrOH	10b, 1 (trace)
8 ^c	Mn(dpm) ₃ , Ph(i-PrO)SiH ₂ , TBHP, i-PrOH	10b (21%), 1 (15%), 22 (18%), 23 (9%), 24 (7%)
9 ^d	Mn(dpm) ₃ , Ph(i-PrO)SiH ₂ , PhSH, i-PrOH	10b (62%), 1 (12%)
10 ^e	Mn(dpm) ₃ , Ph(i-PrO)SiH ₂ , PhSH, Ph(O-i-Pr) ₃ , i-PrOH	10b (24%), 1 (49%) ^f

^aYields determined by ¹H NMR analysis. ^bMn^{III} (5 mol%), silane (2 equiv.), TBHP (2 equiv.), ^bMn^{III} (2 equiv.), silane (4 equiv.), TBHP (2 equiv.), ^bMn^{III} (2 equiv.), silane (2 equiv.), PhSH (2 equiv.). ^cMn^{III} (10 equiv.), silane (10 equiv.), PhSH (10 equiv.), B(O-i-Pr)₃ (2 equiv.), with aq. NH₄OH workup. ^dIsolated yield. TFA = trifluoroacetic acid, TBHP = tert-butyl hydroperoxide.



suggest intermolecular HAT process