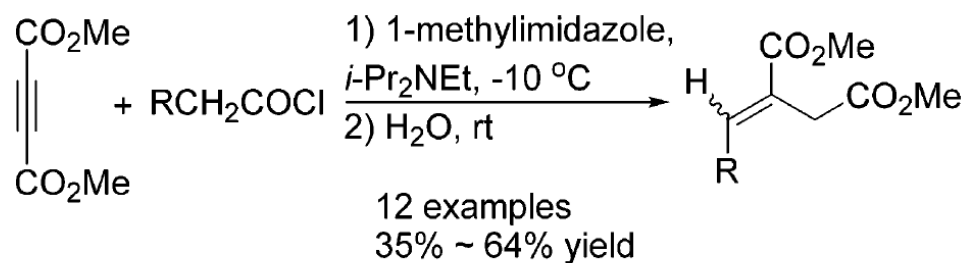


1. Propose a plausible mechanism for the following transformation:



R = substituted phenyl and naphthyl groups

2. Propose a plausible mechanism for the following transformation:

