



# Biocatalytic Synthesis

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chemical problems



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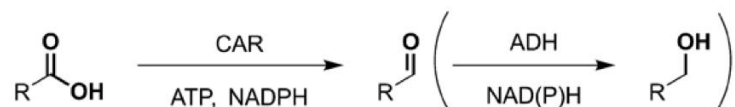


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## Reduction of Carboxylic Acids



CAR = carboxylate reductase; ADH = alcohol dehydrogenase

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## Reduction of Aldehydes and Ketones



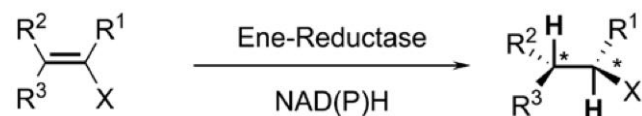
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## Reduction of C=C-Bonds



X = electron-withdrawing group

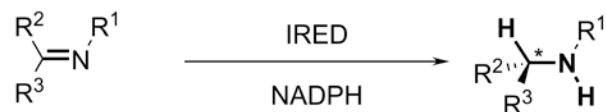
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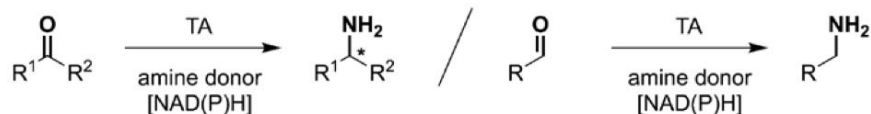
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## Reduction of Imines



IRED = imine reductase

## Reductive Amination of Aldehydes and Ketones



TA =  $\omega$ -transaminase

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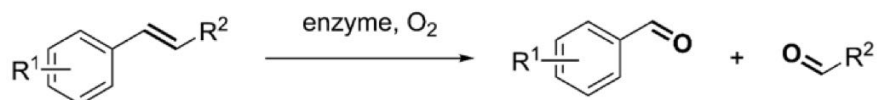
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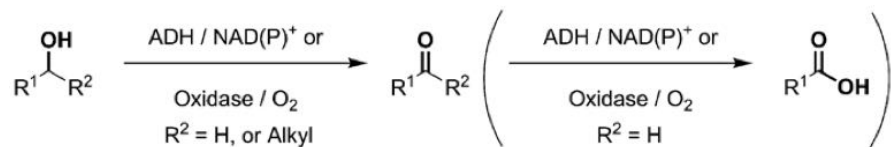
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## Oxidation of Alcohols / Aldehydes



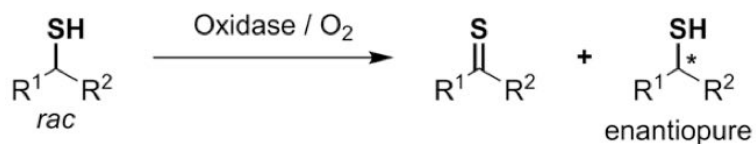
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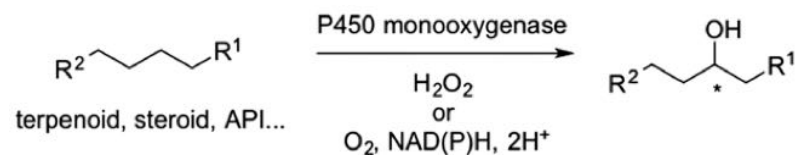
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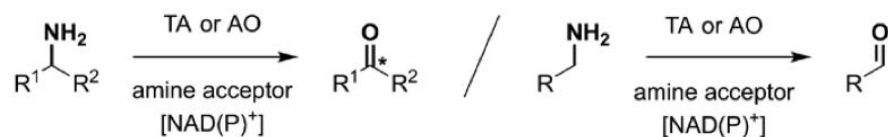
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## Enzymatic Hydroxylation

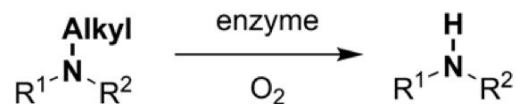


## Enzymatic De-Amination



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## Enzymatic De-Alkylation



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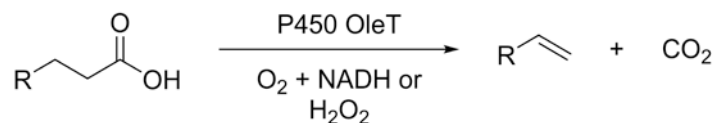
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## Oxidative Decarboxylation

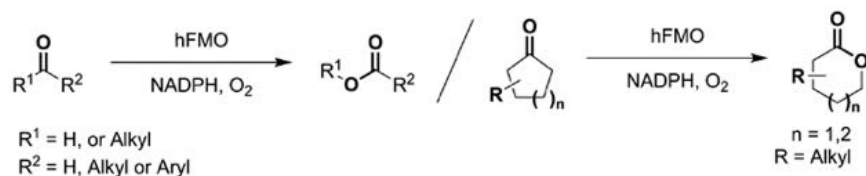


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## Baeyer-Villiger Oxidation

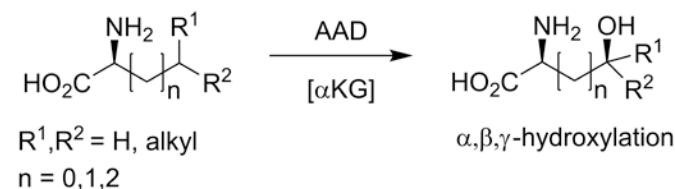
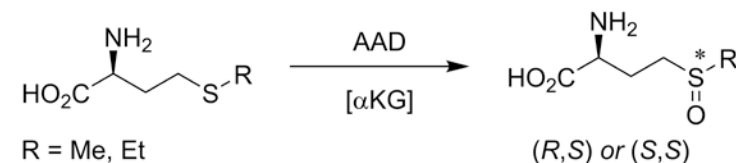


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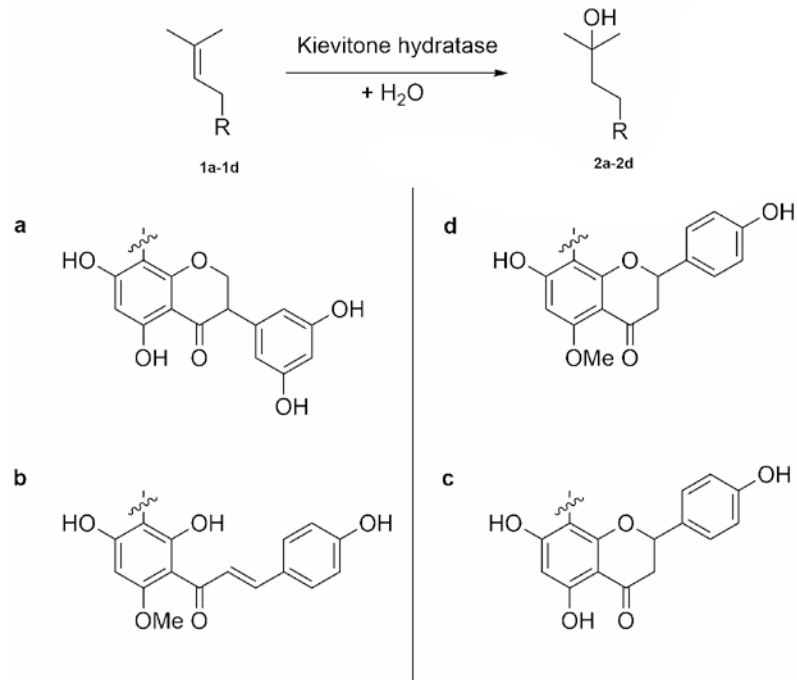
## Oxyfunctionalisation of Amino Acids



aKG =  $\alpha$ -ketoglutarate; AAD = amino acid dioxygenase;

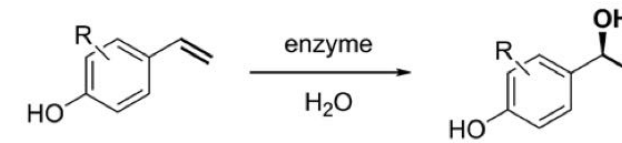
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## Selective Hydration of Flavonoids



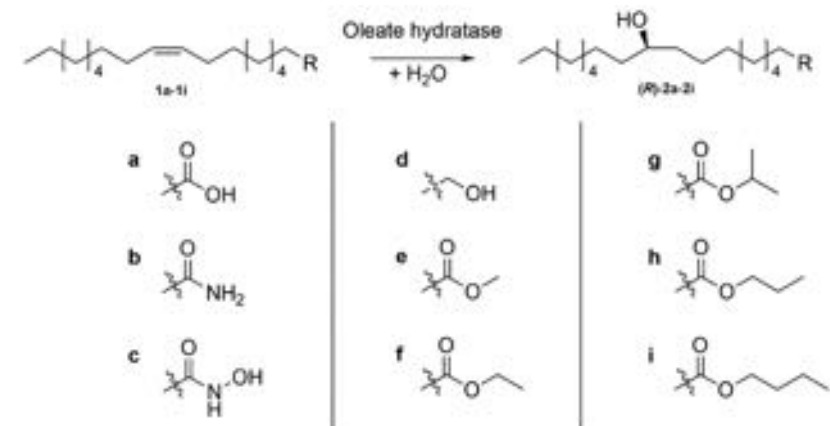
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## Asymmetric Hydration of Olefins

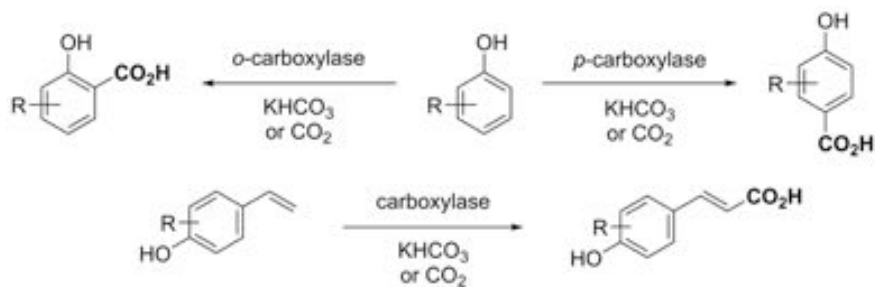


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# C-C Bond Formation

## Bio-Carboxylation



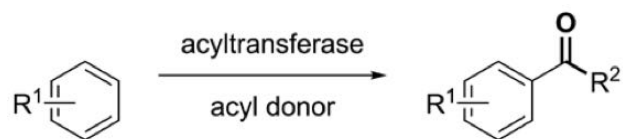
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## Bio-Friedel-Crafts Acylation

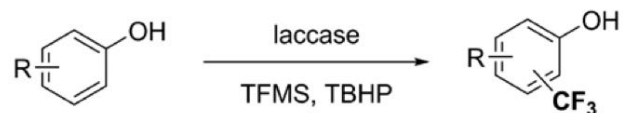


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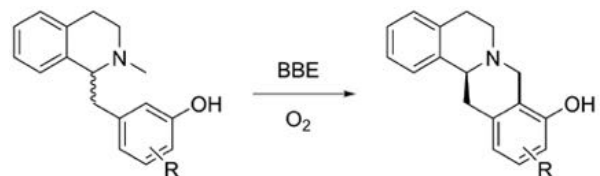
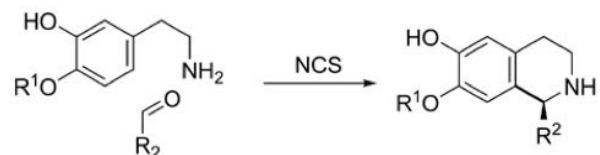
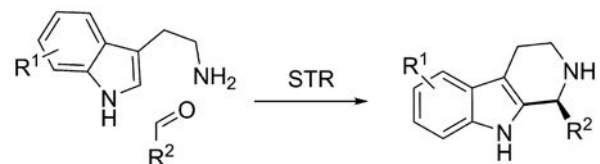
## Trifluoromethylation



TFMS = trifluoromethylsulfonic acid; TBHP = tert-butylhydroperoxide

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## Biocatalytic Alkaloid Synthesis



BBE = berberine bridge enzyme; STR = strictosidine synthase; NCS = norcoclaurine synthase

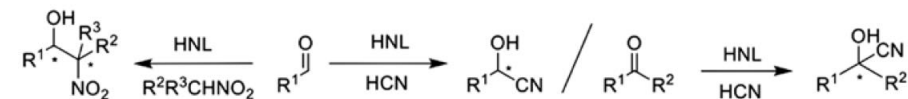
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## Cyanohydrin Synthesis / Henry Reaction



HNL = hydroxynitrile lyase

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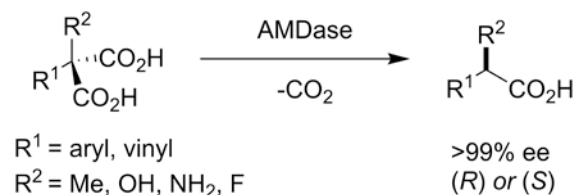
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### Asymmetric Synthesis of Optically Pure $\alpha$ -Substituted Carboxylic Acids

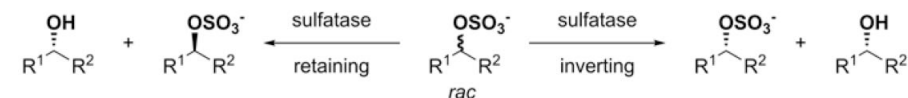


AMDase = arylmalonate decarboxylase

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# Enzymatic Isomerisation

## Racemization of Arylpropionates



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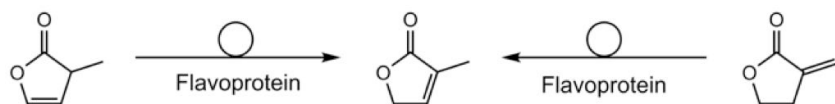
R<sup>2</sup> = Et, Me, OH, NH<sub>2</sub>, F

APR = arylpropionate racemase

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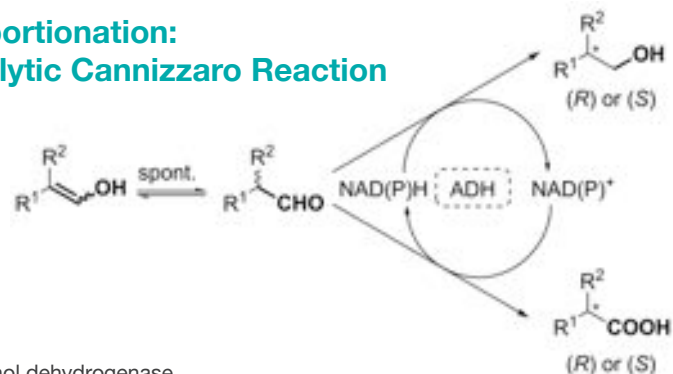
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## Disproportionation: Biocatalytic Cannizzaro Reaction



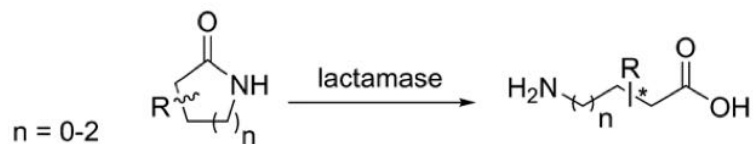
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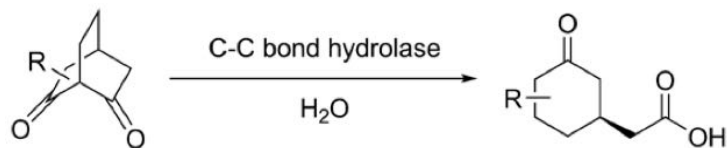


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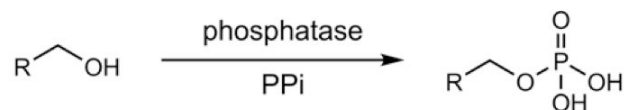


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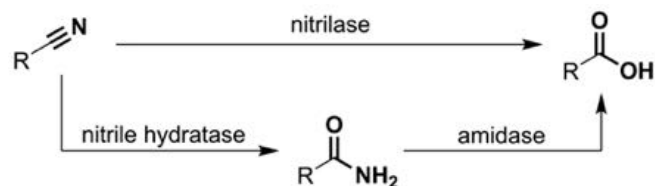
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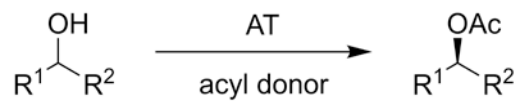
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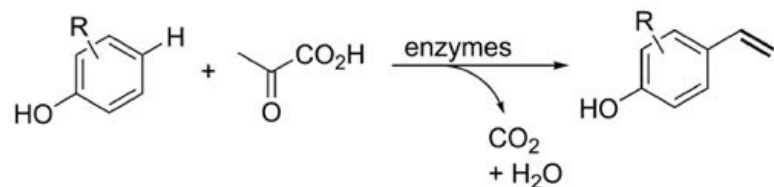


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AT= acyl transferase

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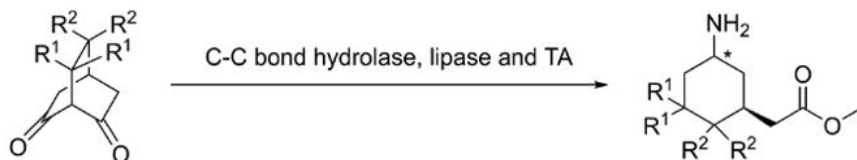
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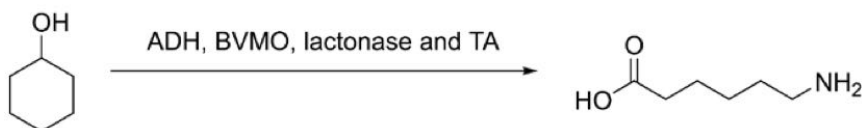


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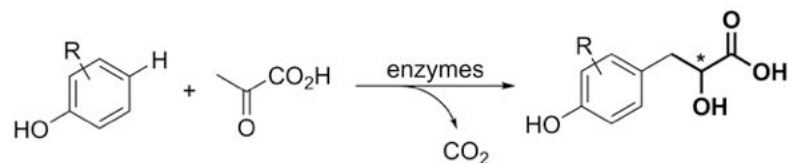
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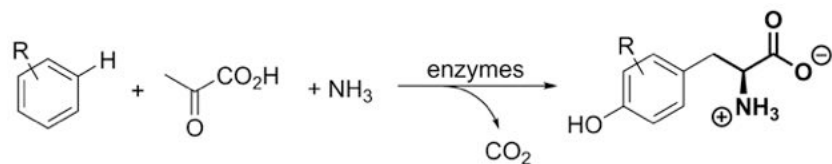
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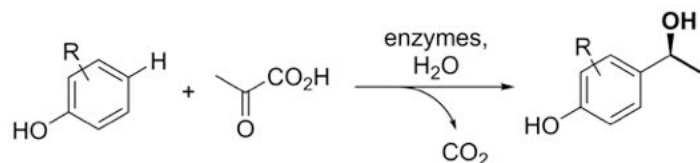
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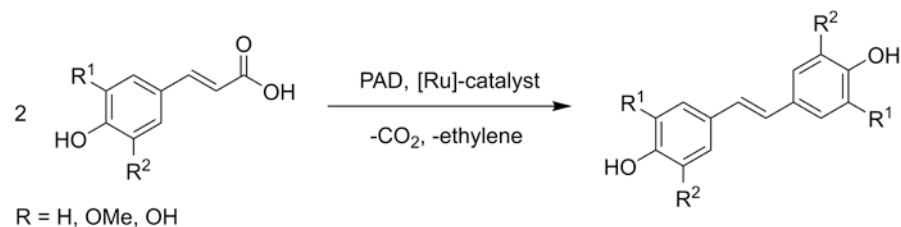
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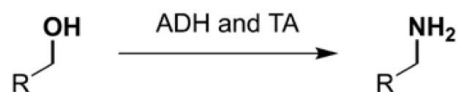
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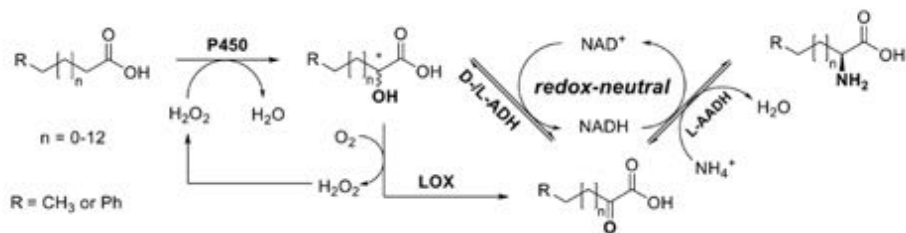


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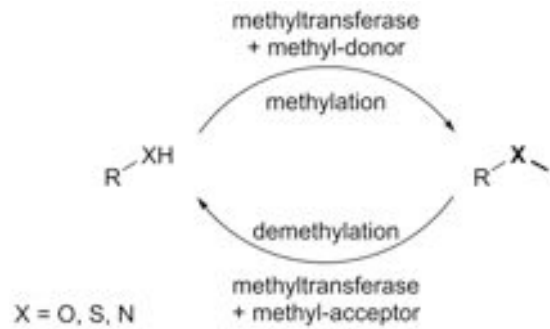
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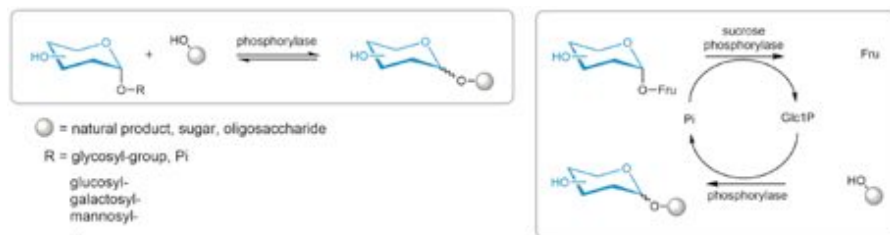
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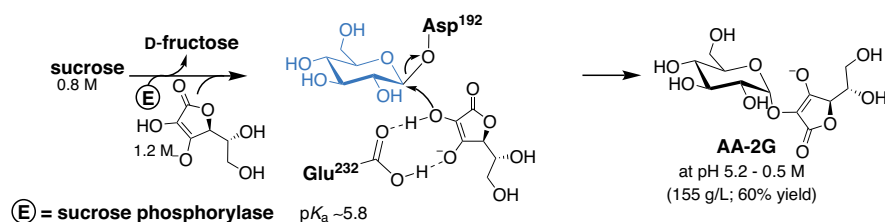


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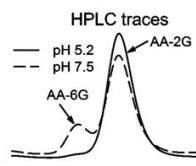
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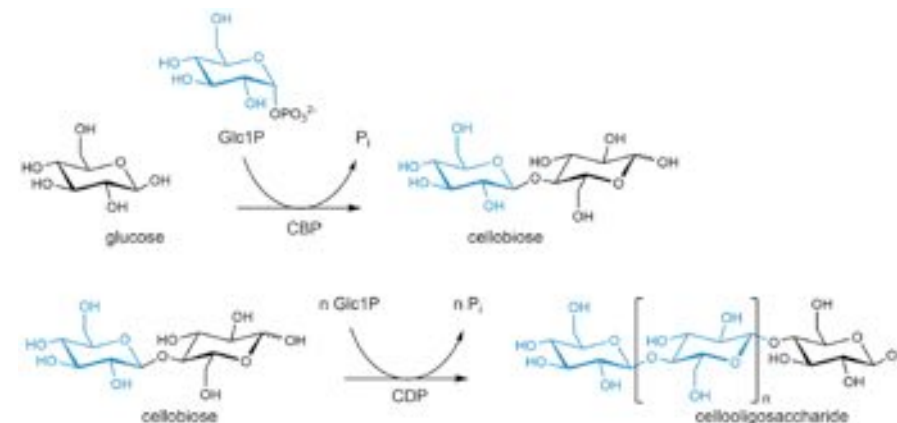


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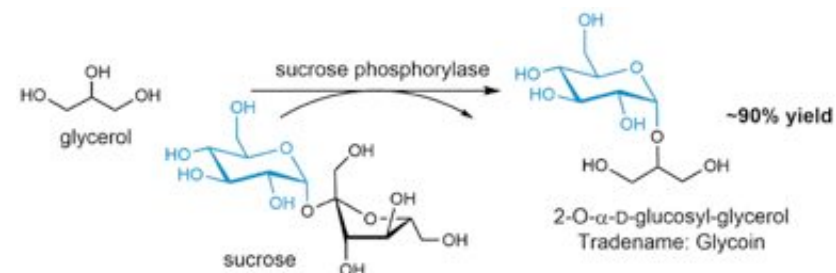
## CELLO-OLIGOSACCHARIDES



CBP = cellobiose phosphorylase; CDP = cellodextrin phosphorylase

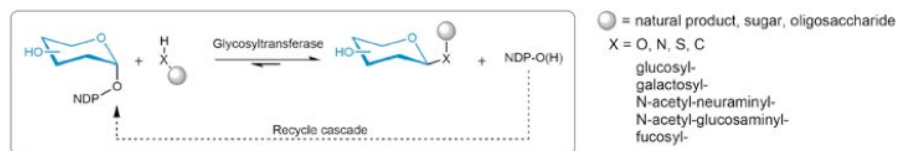
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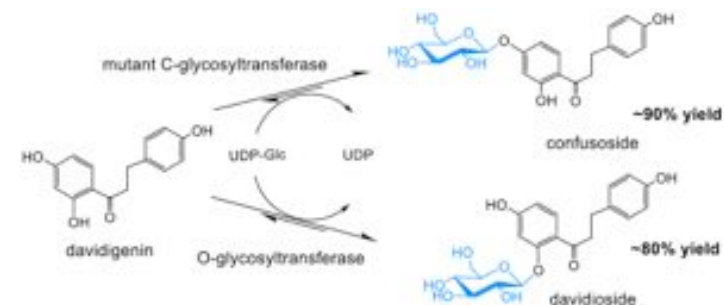
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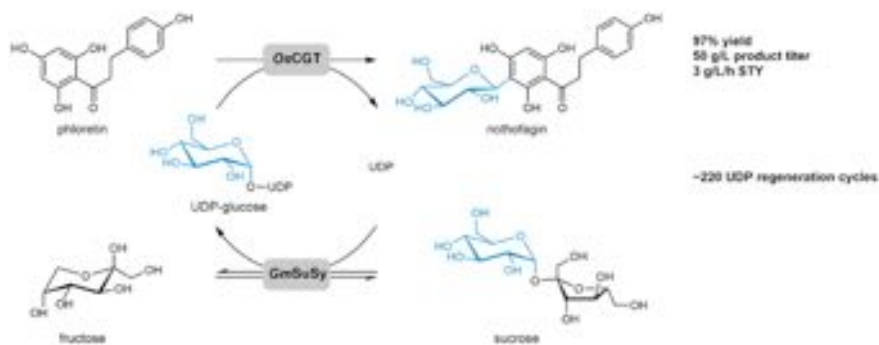
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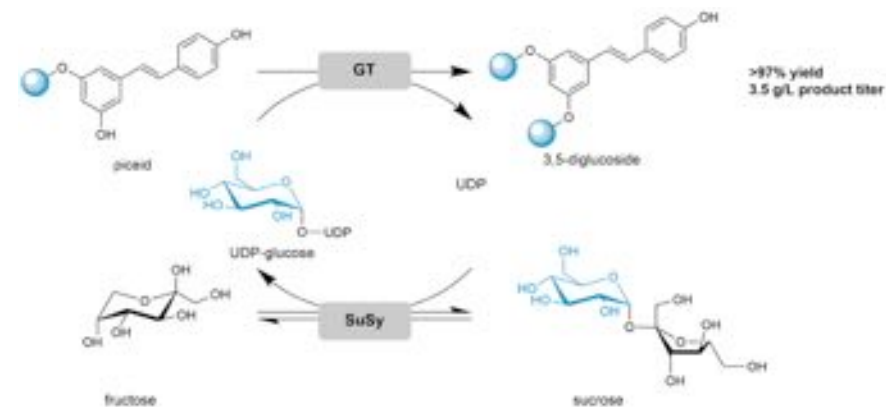
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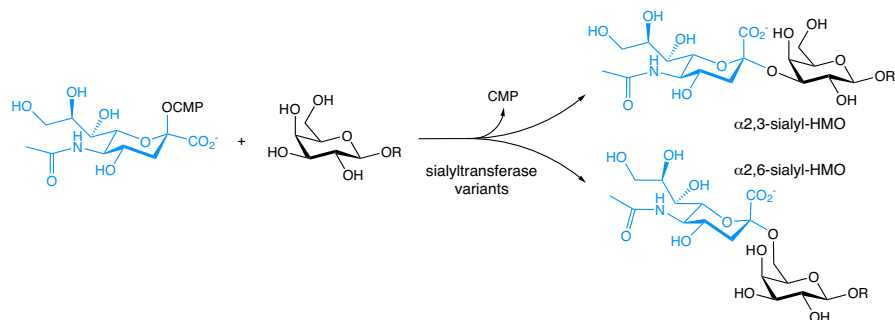
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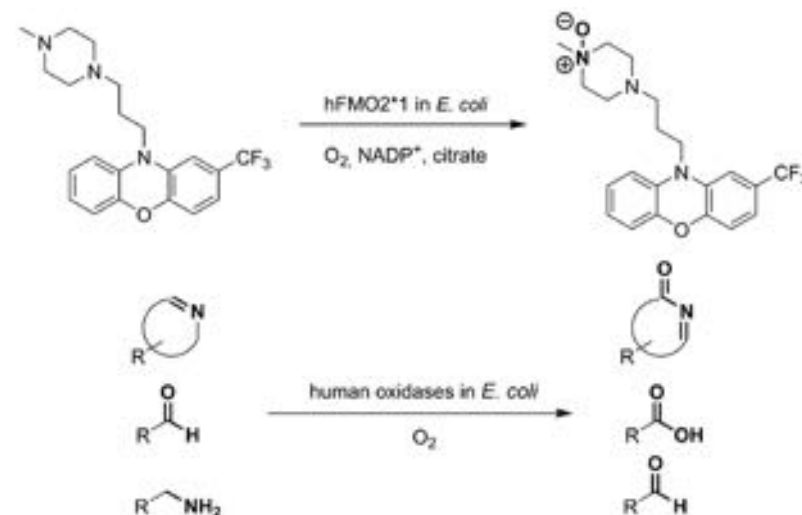


R = rest of acceptor oligosaccharide (e.g. glucose Glc, *N*-acetylglucosamine GlcNAc)  
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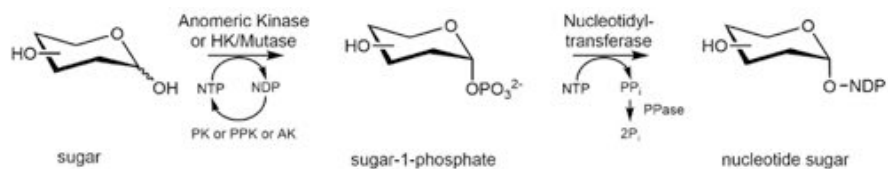
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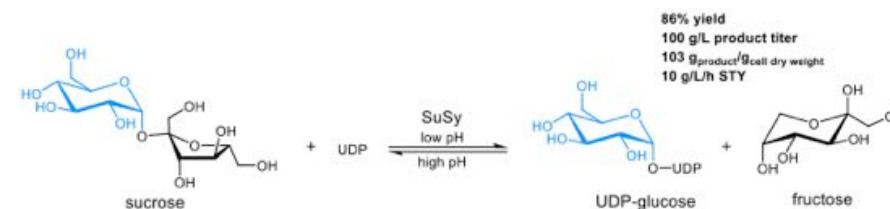


HK = hexokinase, PK = pyruvate kinase; PPK = polyphosphate kinase; AK = acetate kinase; ManC = mannose-1-phosphate guanylyltransferase; PPase = pyrophosphatase

**Examples synthesized:** GDP-L-fucose, GDP-mannose, UDP-glucose, UDP-galactose, UDP-glucuronic acid, various rare sugar nucleotides

## Synthase

UDP-GLUCOSE

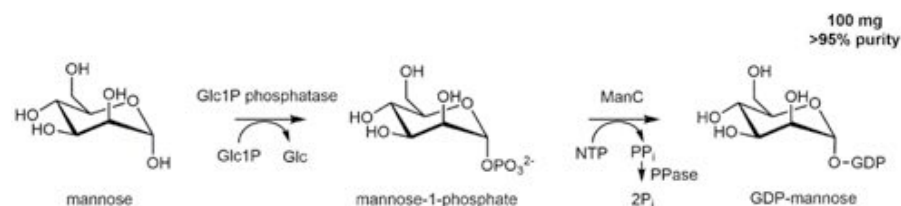


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GDP-MANNOSE



M. Pfeiffer, D. Bulfon, H. Weber, et al., A Kinase-Independent One-Pot Multienzyme Cascade for an Expedient Synthesis of Guanosine 5'-Diphospho-d-mannose. *Adv. Synth. Catal.* **358**, 3809–3816 (2016).

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SUGAR-1-PHOSPHATES



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## *In-silico* Search for Novel Biocatalysts

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