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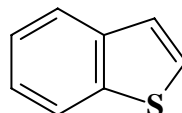
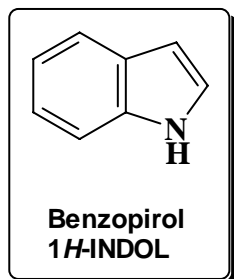
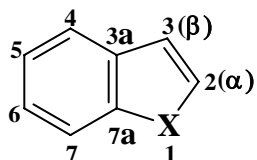
3.2. Functionalisation by electrophilic substitution *via* metallation

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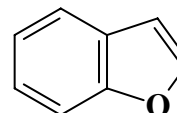
INDOLI SI STRUCTURI INRUDITE

1. Generalitati:

a) reprezentanti tipici:



**Benzotiofen
TIONAFTEN**

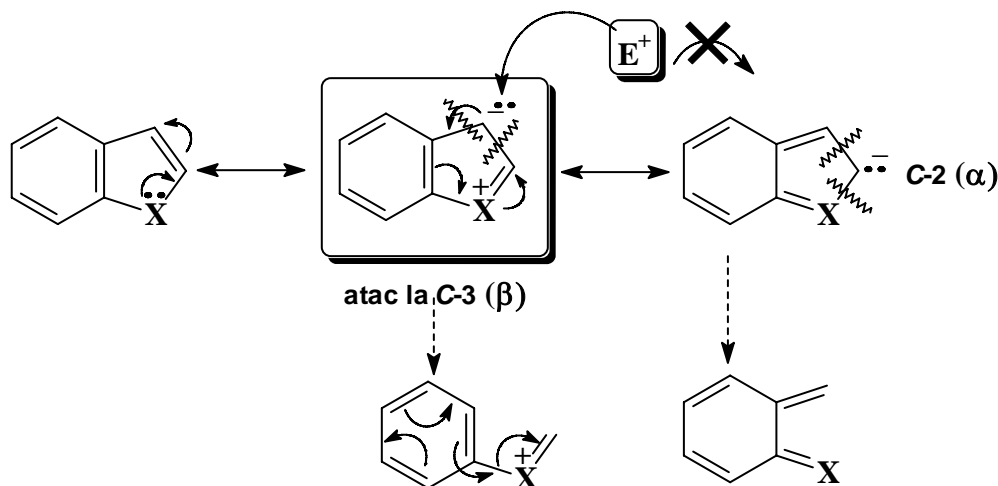


**Benzofuran
CUMARONA**

- provin, **formal**, din condensarea benzenului cu pentahetarenele corespunzatoare
- in denumire, condensarea se exprima prin utilizarea prefixului **benz(o)**: **benzimidazol**, **benzizoxazol**, **benzotiazol**, **benzotriazol**, etc.
- **importanta indolilor o depaseste considerabil** pe cea a analogilor cu oxigen si sulf.

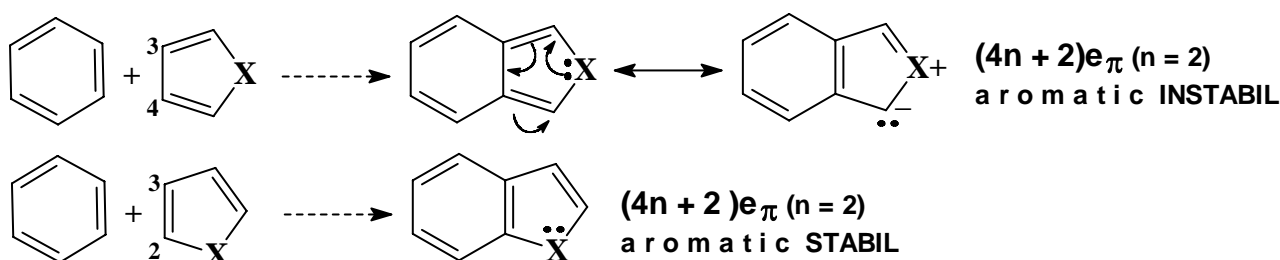
b) caracterul aromatic:

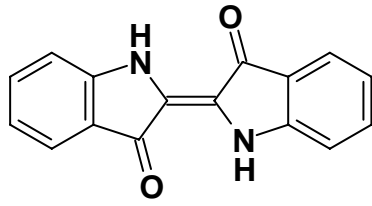
- sisteme delocalizate cu $10e\pi$ → caracter aromatic **mai accentuat** fata de pentahetarene.
- diferenta de **reactivitate mai mare** intre pozitiile **C - 2 vs. C - 3** in reactiile **SE** decat in cazul analogilor pirol, tiofen si furan
- **regioselectivitati net superioare**



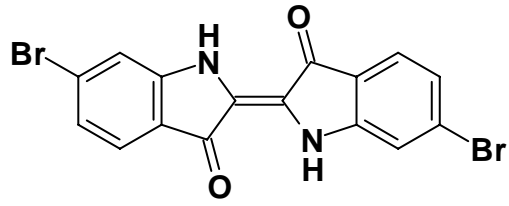
Alte consecinte:

- sunt **relativ instabile** structurile in care condensarea inelelor se face la catena **C - 3 + C - 4** (in loc de **C - 2 + C - 3**) (numerotarea pentaheterociclului)

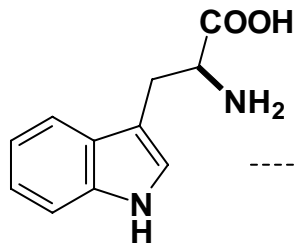




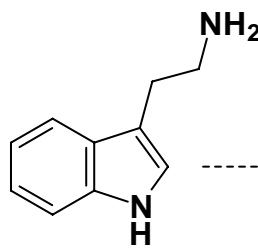
indigo



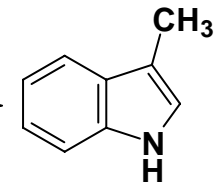
6,6'-dibromoindigo
Tyrian purple



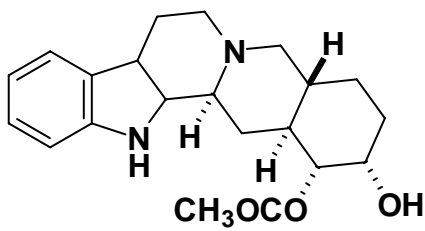
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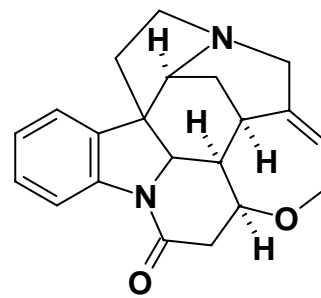
tryptamine



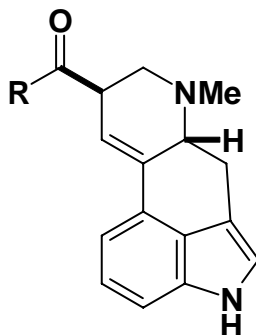
skatole



yohimbine



strychnine

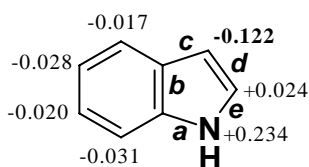


R = H, Lysergic Acid

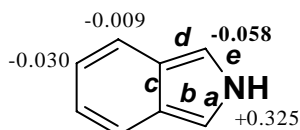
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LSD

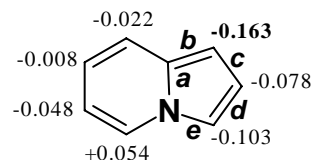
Estimated π -charges in benzopyrroles:



benzo[b]pyrrole
Indole



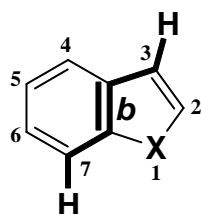
benzo[c]pyrrole
isoindole



benzo[a]pyrrole

c) NMR-data

$^1\text{H-NMR}$ Spectral data for benzo[b] heterocycles: δ (ppm); $^n J$ (Hz)

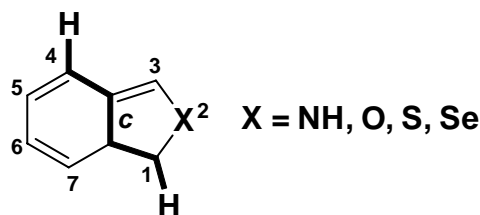


X = NH, O, S, Se, Te

	X = NH	X = O	X = S	X = Se	X = Te
H-2	6.52 – 7.27	7.52 – 7.78	7.33	7.90	8.65
H-3	6.29 – 6.45	6.66 – 6.76	7.22	7.50	7.91
H-4	7.55	7.49 – 7.63	7.72	7.76	7.79
H-5	7.00	7.13 – 7.23	7.26	7.19 – 7.29	7.08 – 7.30
H-6	7.08	7.19 – 7.30	7.24	7.19 – 7.29	7.08 – 7.30
H-7	7.40	7.42 – 7.51	7.79	7.86	7.90
$^3 J_{2,3}$	3.1	2.19	5.5	6.0	7.10
$^6 J_{2,6}$	-	-	0.5	0.3	-
$^5 J_{3,7}$	0.7	0.87	0.75	0.67	-
$^3 J_{4,5}$	7.8	7.89	8.5	-	-
$^4 J_{4,6}$	1.2	1.28	1.14	-	-
$^5 J_{4,7}$	0.9	0.80	0.7	-	-
$^3 J_{5,6}$	7.0	7.27	7.0 - 7.5	-	-
$^4 J_{5,7}$	1.2	0.92	0.5 - 1.0	-	-
$^3 J_{6,7}$	8.0	8.43	8.0 - 7.5	-	-

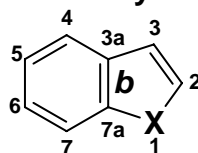
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¹H-NMR Spectral data for benzo[*c*] heterocycles: δ (ppm); $^n J$ (Hz)



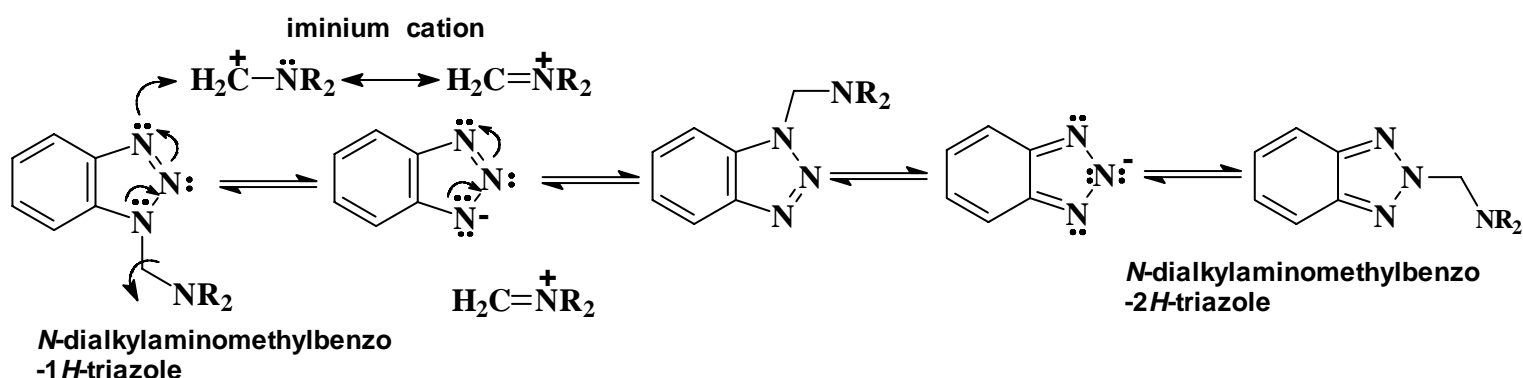
X	H-1, -3	H-4, -7	H-5, -6	⁵ J _{1,4}	³ J _{4,5}	⁴ J _{4,6}	⁵ J _{4,7}	³ J _{5,6}
NH	6.28	7.50	6.80	-	8.49	-	-	6.29
O	7.99	7.38	6.84	0.64	8.52	1.01	0.57	6.22
S	7.63	7.59	7.04	0.42	8.64	1.03	0.79	6.36
Se	8.40	7.33 – 7.54	6.77 – 7.02	-	9.16	-	-	6.79

¹³C-NMR Spectral data for benzo[*b*] heterocycles: δ (ppm)



	X = NH	X = O	X = S
C-2	124.67	145.1	126.21
C-3	102.14	106.9	123.79
C-4	120.76	121.6	123.57
C-5	121.81	123.2	124.10
C-6	119.76	124.6	124.17
C-7	111.35	111.8	122.44
C-7a	135.65	155.5	139.71
C-3a	128.26	127.9	139.57

e) Annular Elementotropy: isomerism involving reverse migration of organic and inorganic groups heavier than proton. It is *intermolecular*. It is **not** a *rearrangement* (intramolecular). Annular elementotropy is: alkylotropy (R); acylotropy (R-CO-); sililotropy (-SiMe₃); metallotropy (-SnR₃).



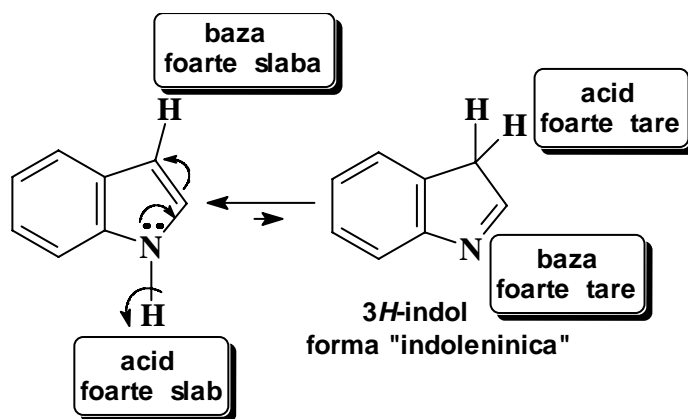
in solid state: 100% 1H

in polar solvents: dominant 1H

in non polar solvents: 1:1 1H vs. 2H

d) caracterul acido - bazic si tautomeria indolului:

- ca atare, acid foarte slab la **NH** (pKa cca. 17) si baza foarte slaba la **C - 3**.



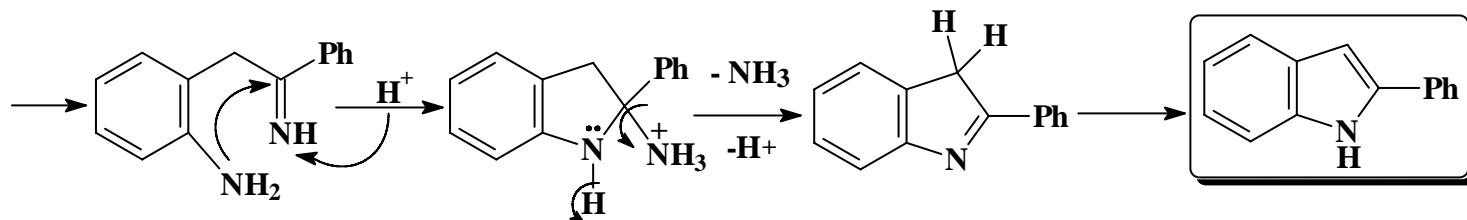
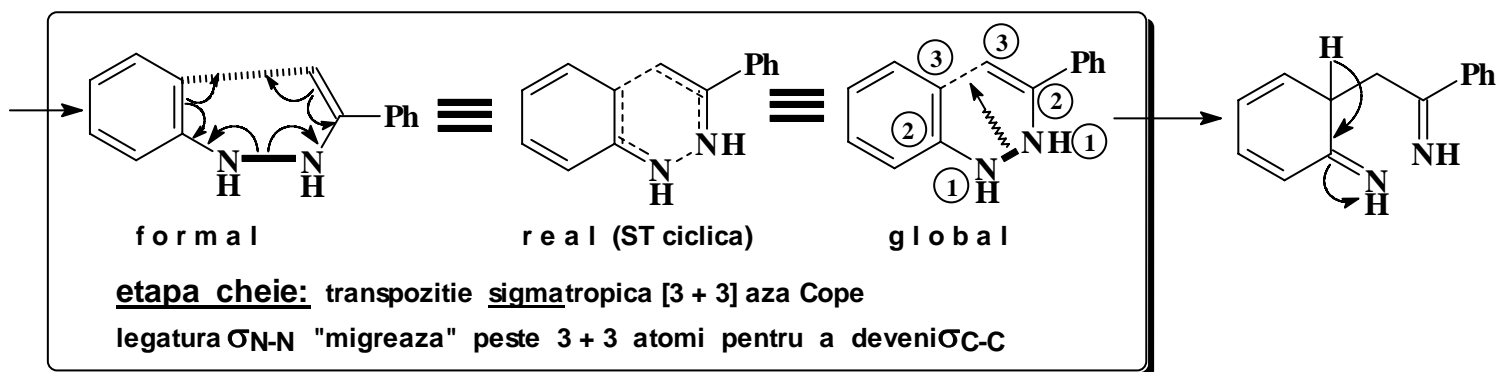
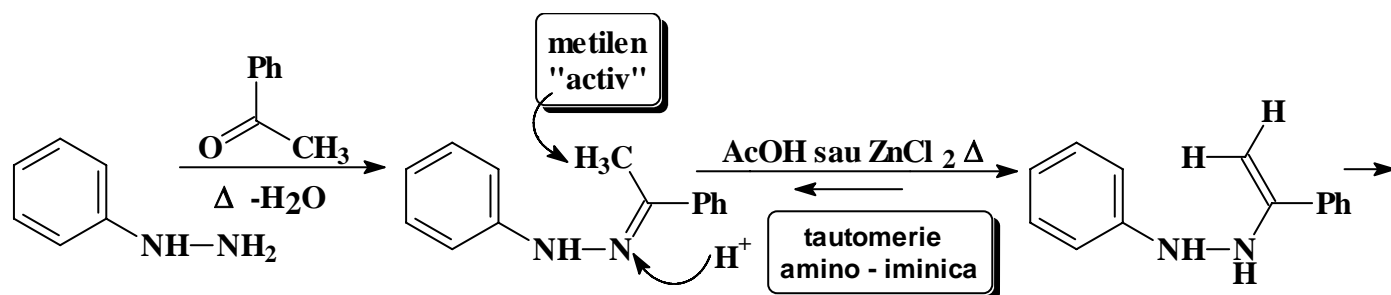
- forma indoleninica ca atare poate sa apara doar in ambianta de reactie; se cunosc insa forme substituie, stabile, ale acesteia.

2. Sinteze:

2.1. Sinteze de indoli:

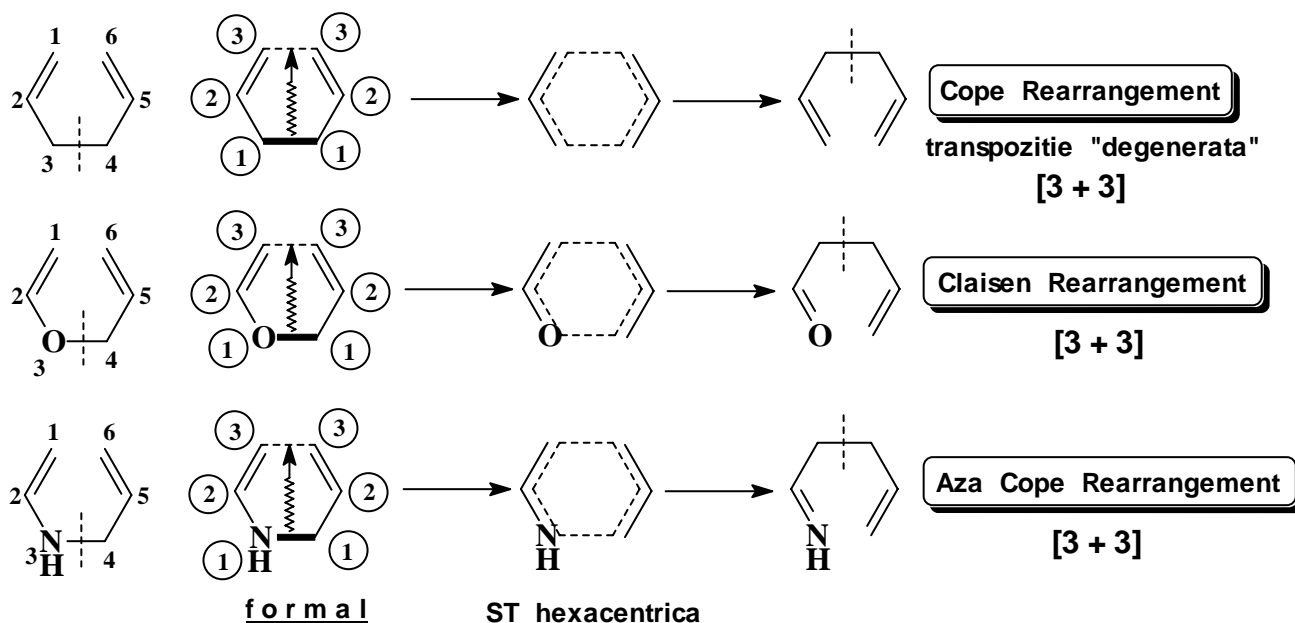
2.1.1. Sinteza Fischer

- **obiectiv:** prepararea de indoli C - 2, - 3 mono- sau disubstituiti fara a afecta inelul aromatic
- **esenta metodei:** transpozitie diaz Cope a unei hidrazine *N,N'* - disubstituite



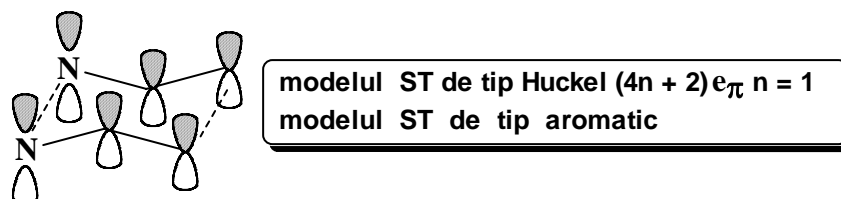
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Nota 1: etapa cheie are **valabilitate generala** pentru sinteze **electrociclice** de tipul:

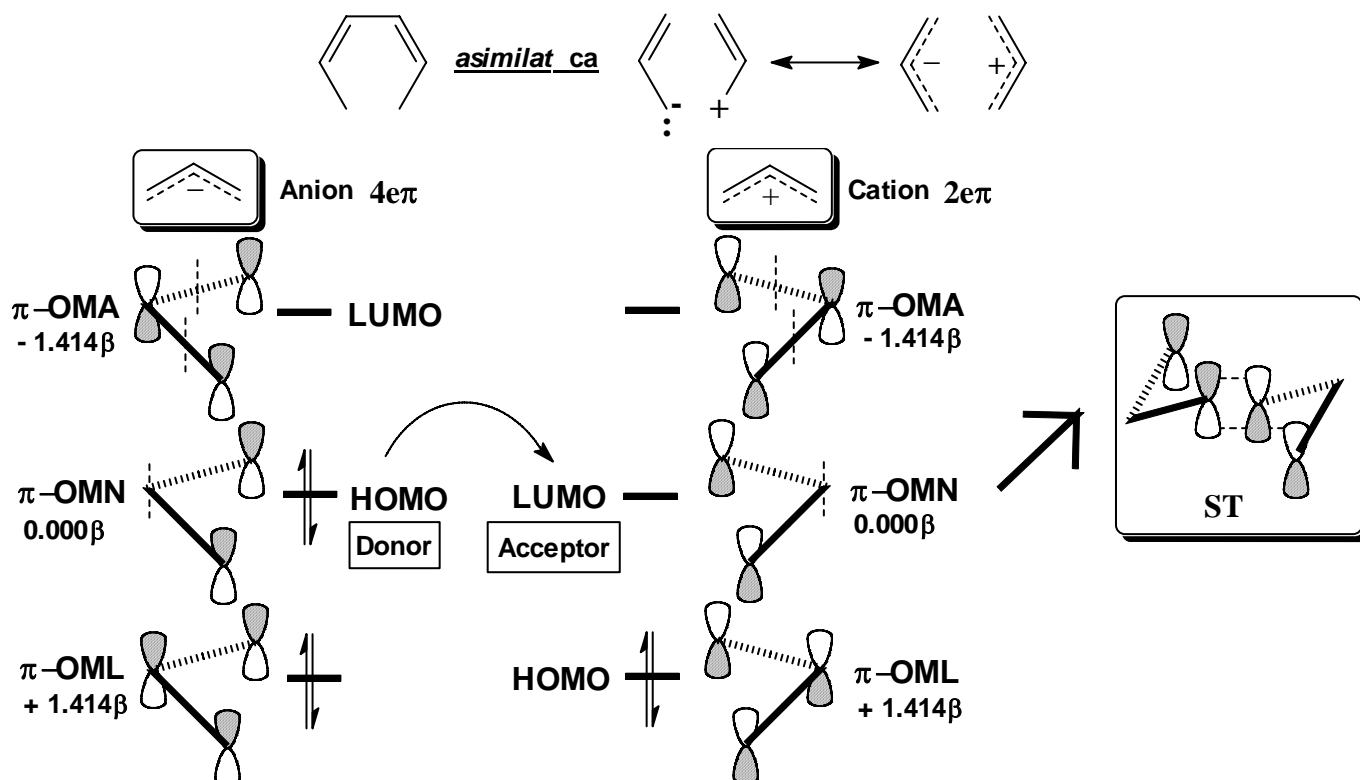


- toate procesele de acest tip **sunt procese electrociclice permise** de catre **simetria orbitalilor moleculari**; au loc la cald (sunt **permise termic**)
- oricare produs de plecare poate fi descompus, **formal**, in **doua unitati (de tip) alii**
- **modele ale starii de tranzitie: 2 concepte**

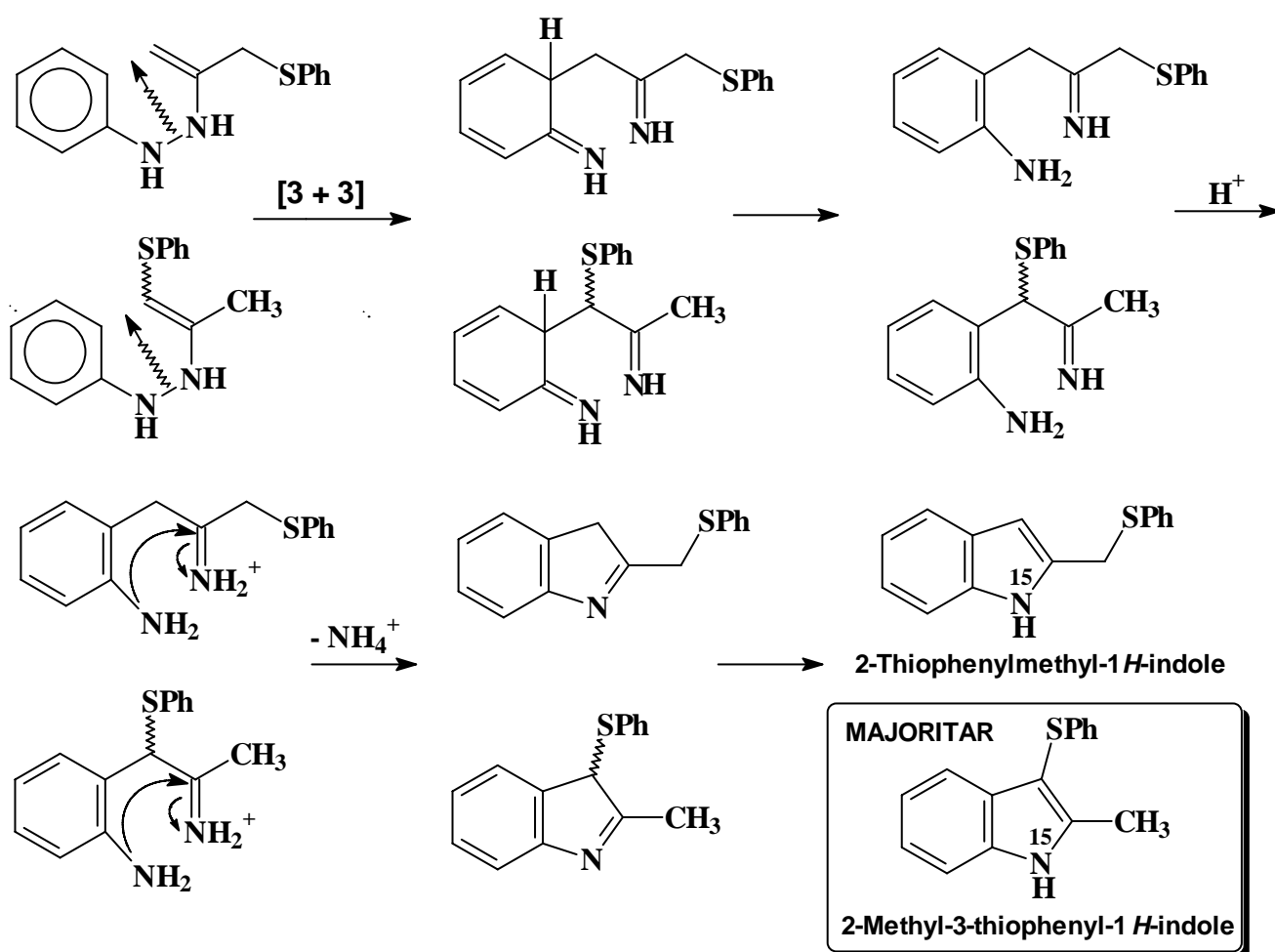
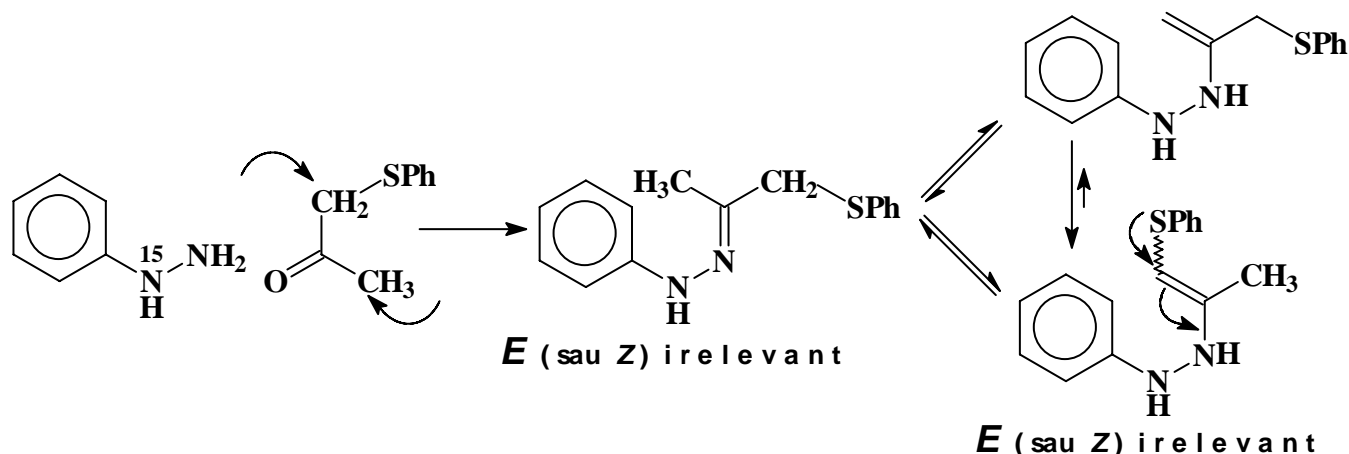
i) stare de tranzitie de tip aromatic (Huckel):



ii) cicloaditie $[4 + 2]e_{\pi}$ intre anionul respectiv cationul alil



Nota 2: in cazul **cetonelor** care poseda **2 (doi) metileni enolizabili neechivalenti** apar probleme de **regioselectivitate a ciclizarii** → se formeaza cu preponderenta indolul care provine din hidrazina cu dubla legatura etilenica cea mai substituita

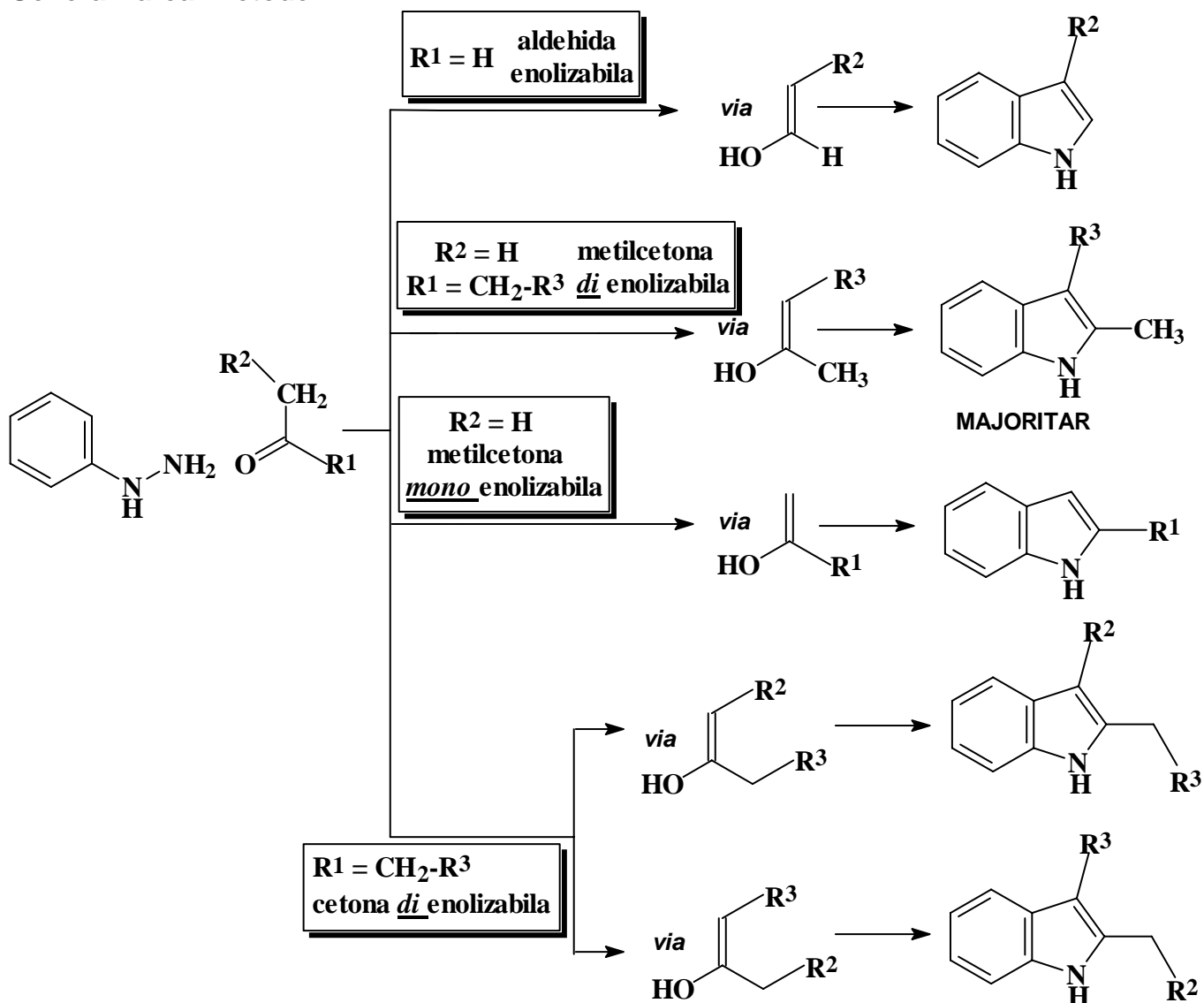


Nota 3: sintezele efectuate cu **hidrazina marcata izotopic (^{15}N)** si izolare de derivati diiminici (protonati) confirma mecanismul

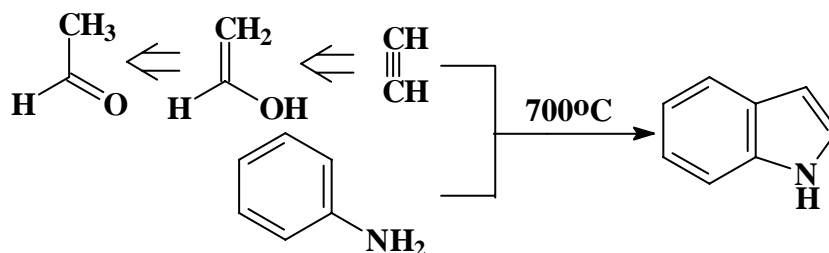
Nota 4: partenerul carbonilic poate fi o aldehida sau o cetona care poseda **cel putin un metilen enolizabil**; ele sunt de forma $RCOCH_2R'$ ($R = H$, alchil superior Me, aril)

Nota 5: sunt cunoscute si cazuri in care **catalizatorul nici nu este necesar**, doar **inalzirea (peste $100^\circ C$)**

Generalizarea metodei:

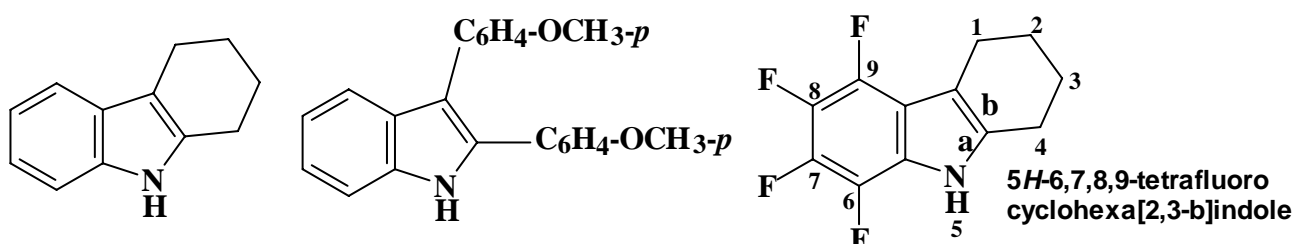


Obs. 1: pentru acetaldehida (\rightarrow indolul *ca atare*) se prefera alte metode sau sinteza din echivalenti sintetici



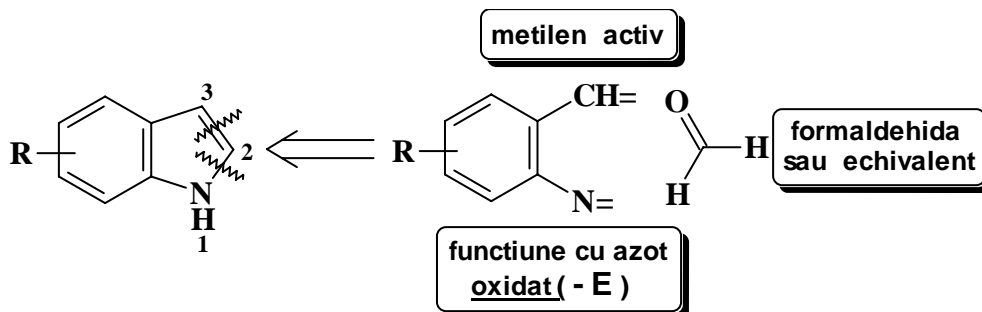
Obs. 2: fenil hidrazina (inelul aromatic monosubstituit sau cu HOMO de joasa energie) este cea mai apta de a da transpozitia sigmatropica diaza Cope

Obs. 3: metoda Fischer furnizeaza indoli C-2, -3 mono- si / sau disubstituiti: exemple

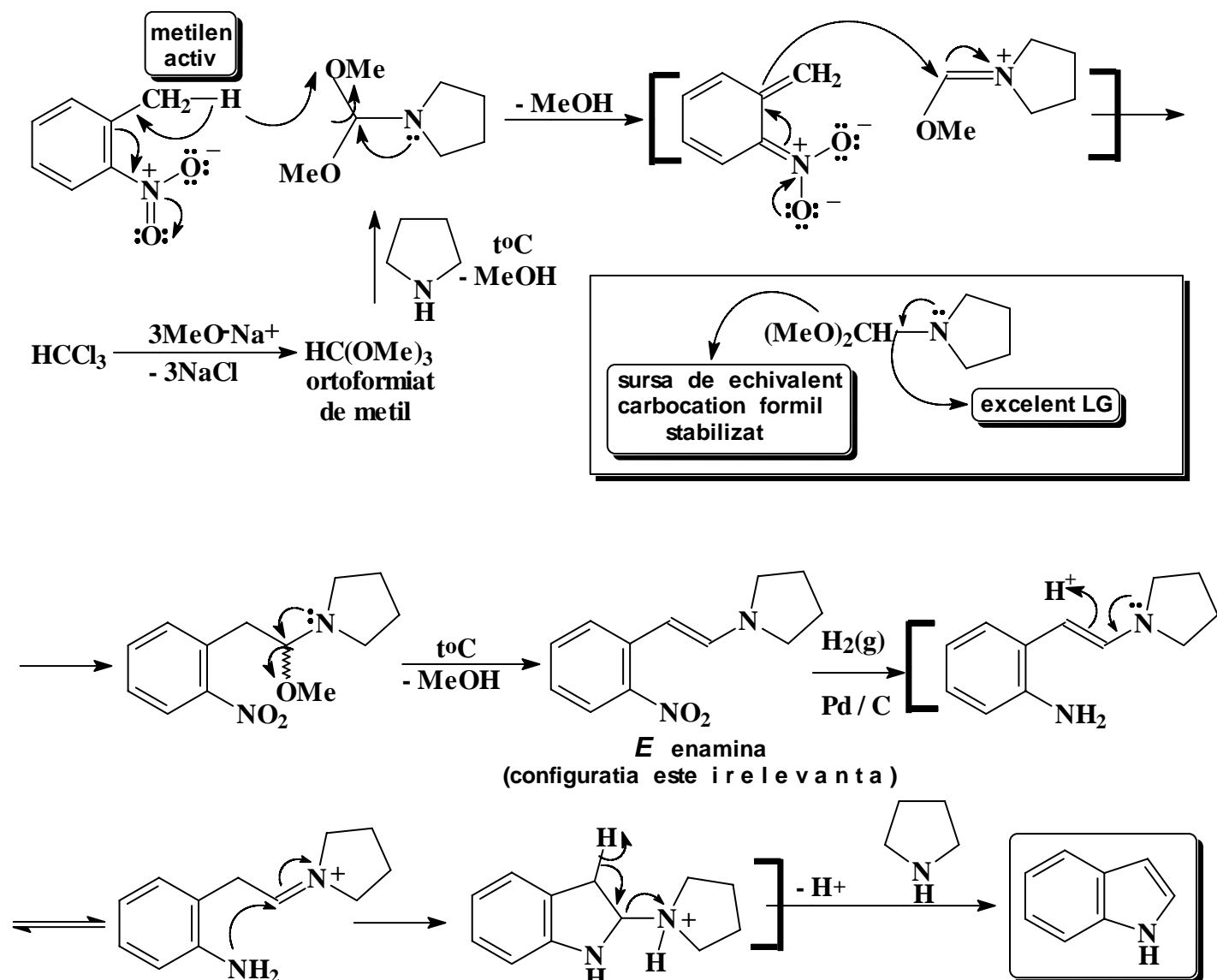


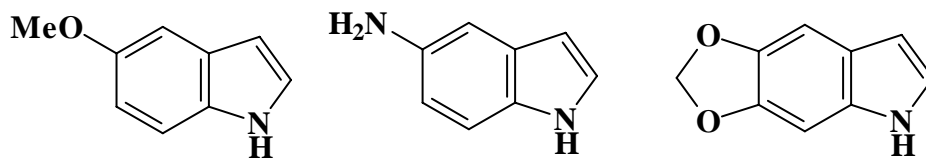
2.1.2. Metoda *Leimgruber*:

- **obiective:** prepararea de indoli nesubstituiti in partea pirolica dar substituiti pe inelul benzenic
- **principiul metodei:** se construiesc secventa C - 2 - C - 3 prin aport de echivalent formil stabilizat de un inel pirolidinic (a se compara cu reactivul *Vilsmeier*)
- **deconectare de tipul:**

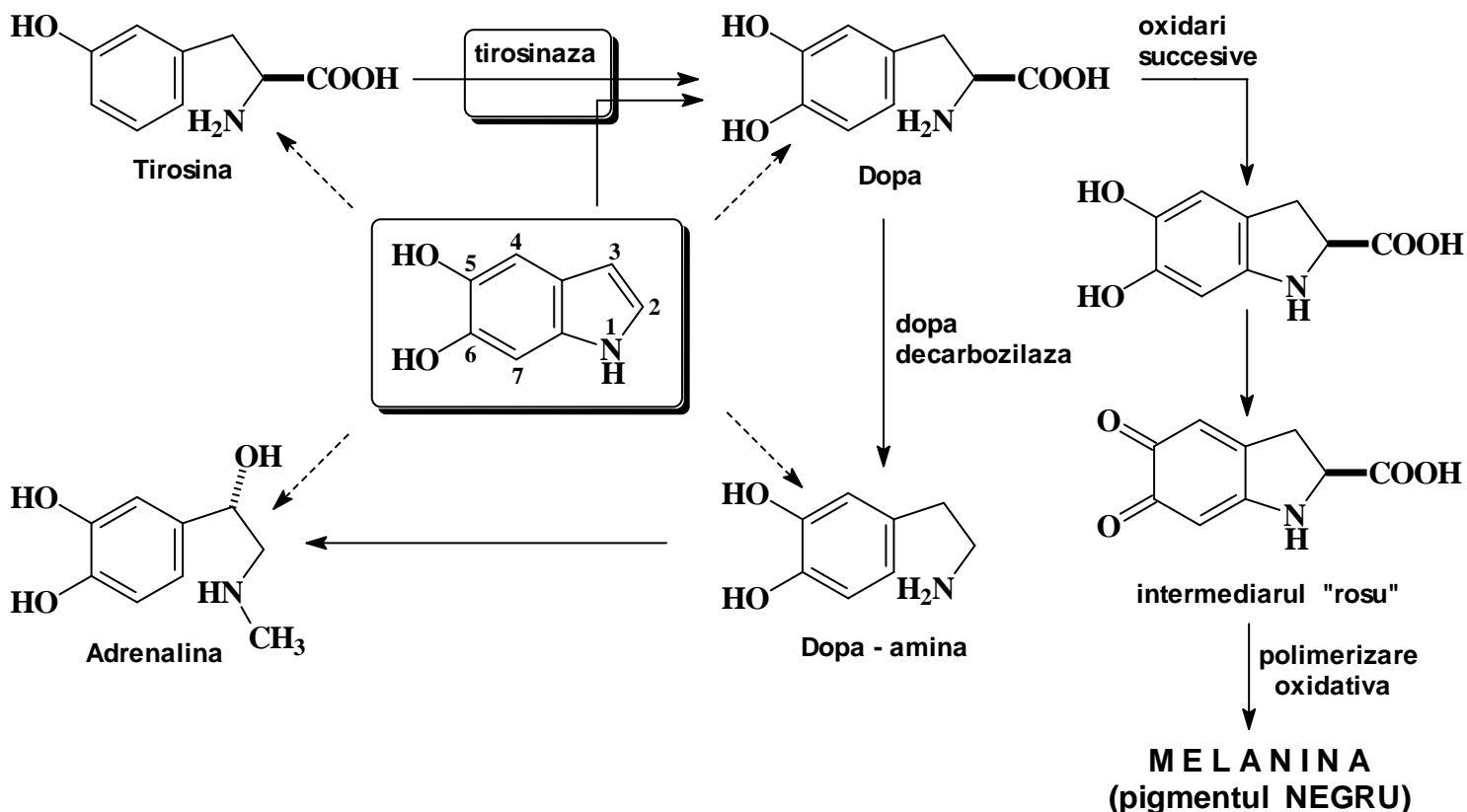


Exemplu: sinteza indolului ca atare





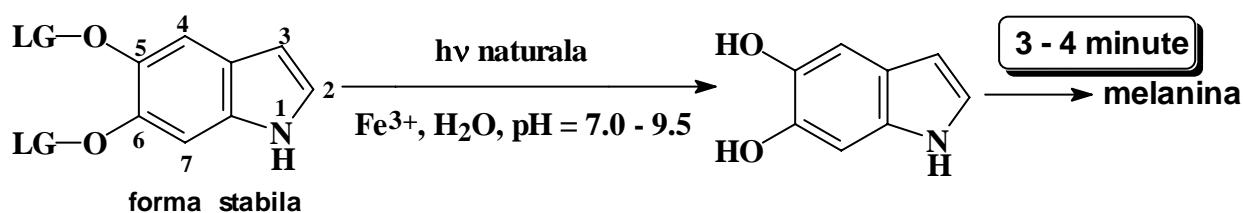
2.1.3. Derivati ai 5,6-Dihidroxiindolului: ca precursori ai melaninei, pigmentul negru al parului organismelor vii



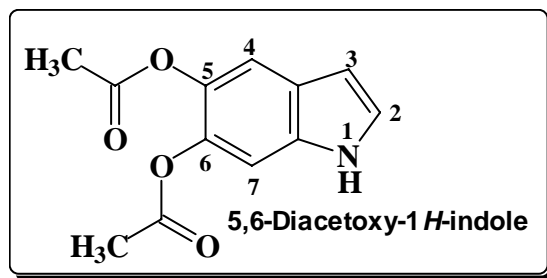
i) Problema: inlocuirea colorantilor pentru par sintetici ("traditionali") cu precursori ai melaninei naturale (eventual modificata prin substituie potrivita)

ii) Dificultatea problemei: 5,6-dihidroxiindolul este foarte instabil (oxidabil) si inutilizabil ca atare

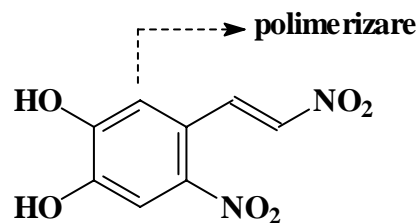
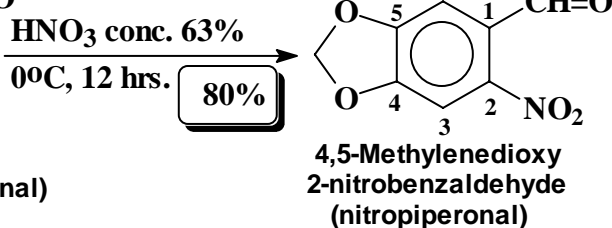
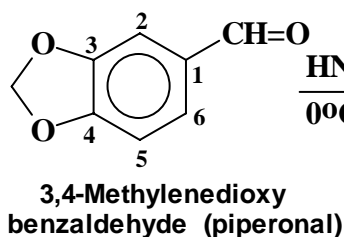
iii) Solutia problemei: prepararea de forme O-5, -6 - diprotejate care sa hidrolizeze la pH-ul organismului, la temperatura ambianta si susceptibile de a suferi un proces de polimerizare oxidativa controlata



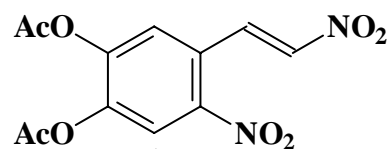
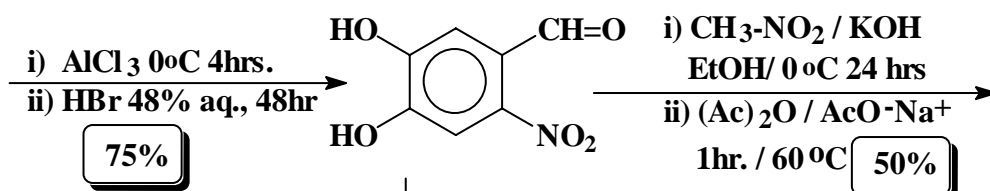
In functie de natura LG se poate imagina o gama foarte larga de compusi



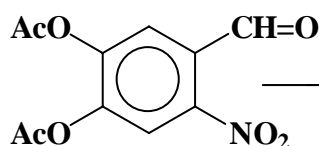
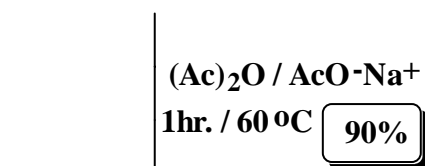
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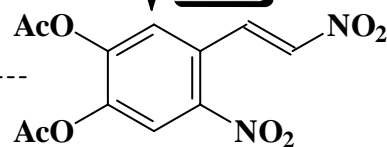
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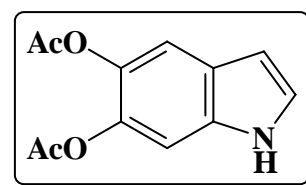
Fe / AcOH
70%



$\text{CH}_3\text{-NO}_2$ / KF
 0°C 24 hrs.
10%



deacetilare
oxidare



Nota 1: sinteza este unicat prin aceea ca porneste de la o structura aromatica **orto** disubstituita cu doua grupari oxidate (electronoatragatoare)

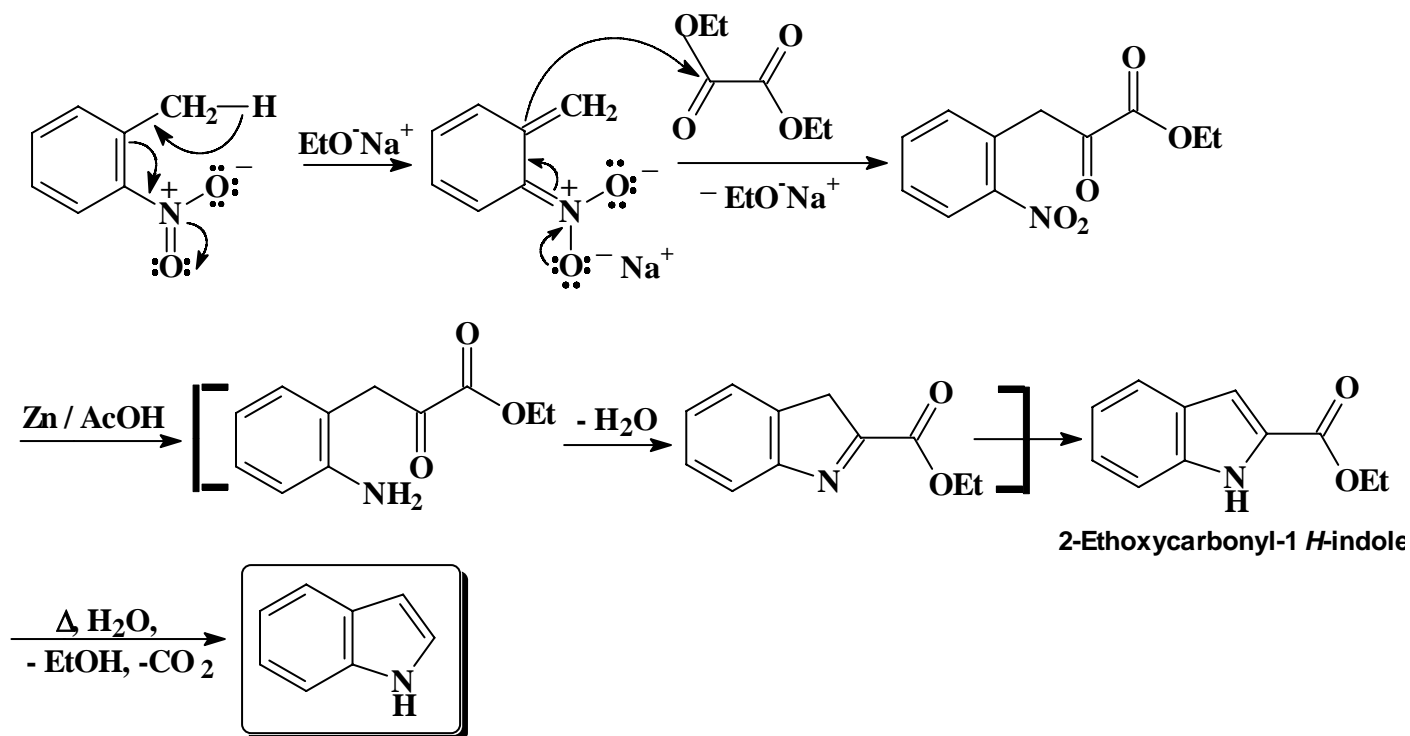
Nota 2: toti precursorii diacetilati manifesta instabilitate in directia hidrolizei

Nota 3: alte grupe protectoare ale hidroxililor fenolici nu sunt oportune din cauza impiedimentelor sterice care impiedeca penetrarea compusului in interiorul firului unde apoi are loc hidroliza si polimerizarea oxidativa

Nota 4: protejarea hidroxililor fenolici ca heterociclu 1,3 - dioxolenic este foarte stabila

2.1.4. Sinteza *Reissert*:

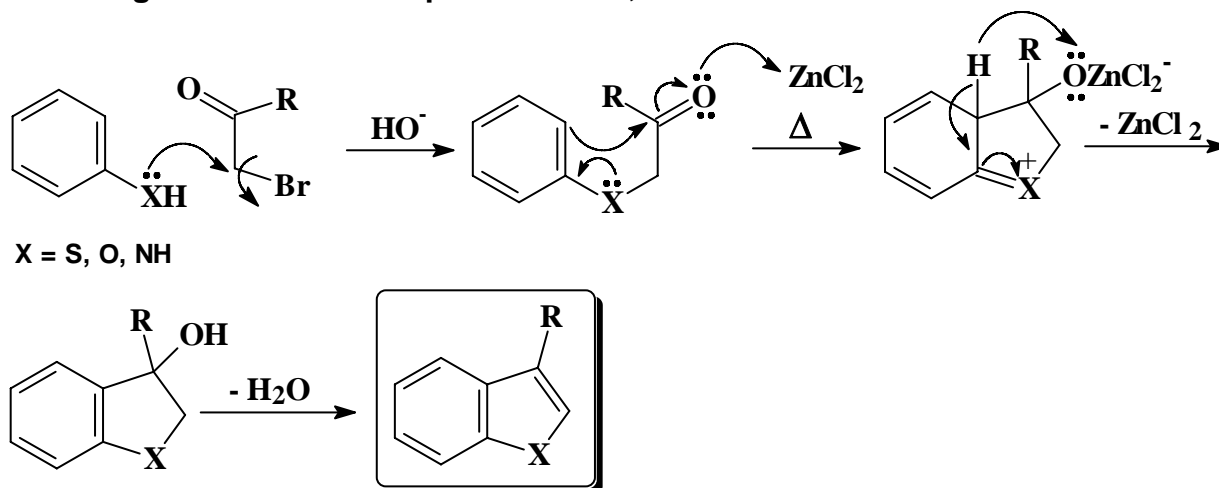
- **obiectiv:** sinteza indolului ca atare



Nota: metoda similara variantei *Leimgruber*, fragmentul formil este adus ca ester oxalic dupa care restul activant etoxicarbonil este indepartat.

2.2. Sinteze de benzo heteroanalogi

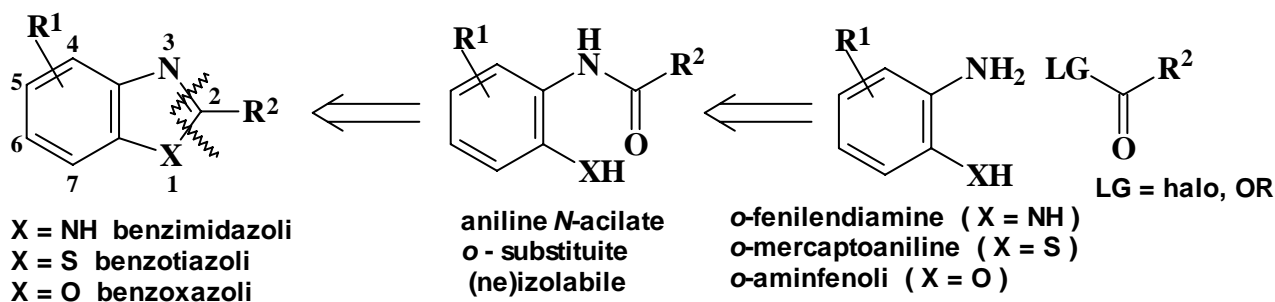
2.2.1. Sinteza generala *Bischler* pentru Indoli, Benzotiofeni si Benzofurani C-3 substituiti



Nota: valabilitatea metodei depinde de accesibilitatea convenabila a α -bromocetonelor deoarece regioselectivitatea α -bromurarii cetonelor dienolizabile scade astfel:
 $>CH- > -CH_2- > -CH_3$

2.2.4. Sinteze de benzoazoli cu doi heteroatomi in pozitiile 1,3:

- deconectare hidrolitica: (1 - 2) - (2 - 3)



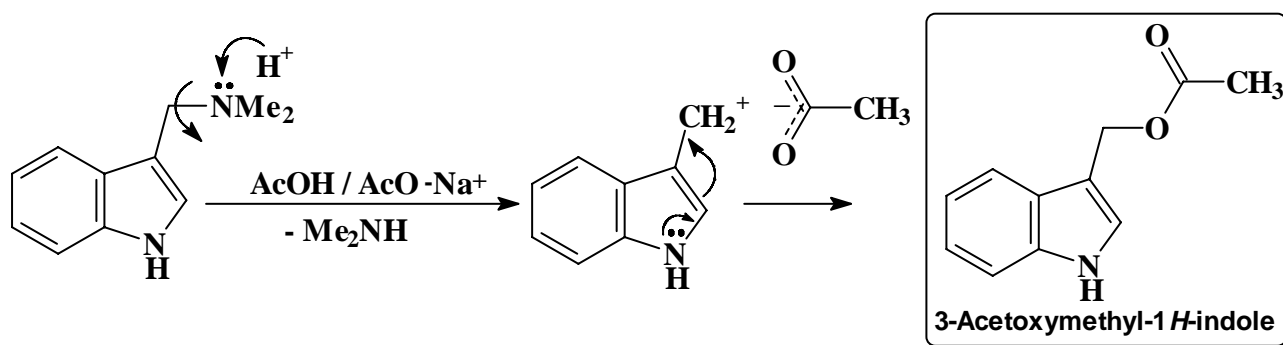
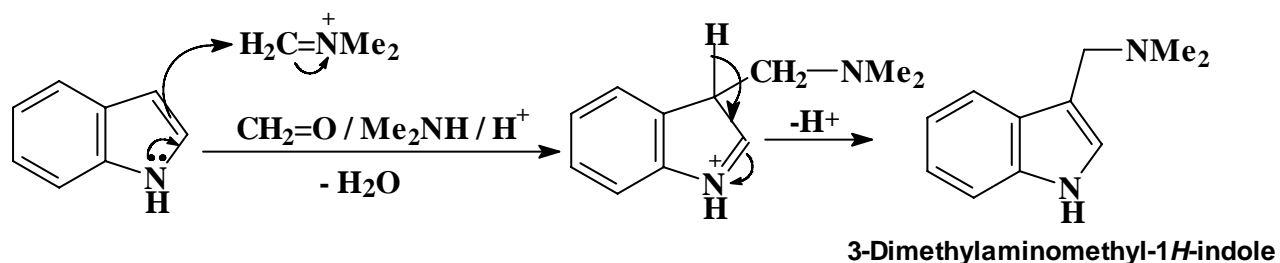
3. Functionalizarea indolilor

3.1. Functionalizarea prin SE

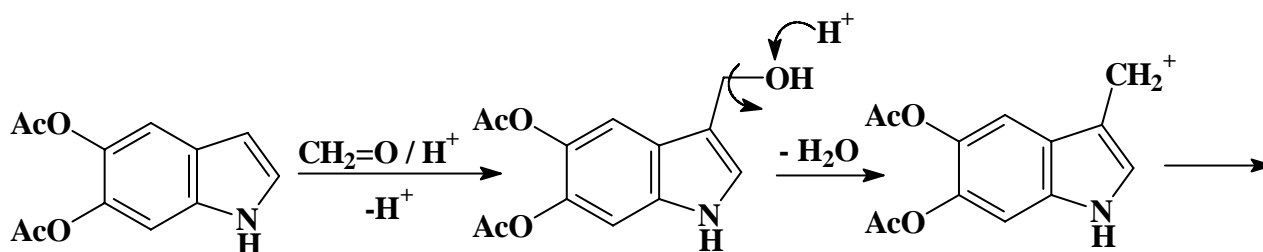
Generalitati:

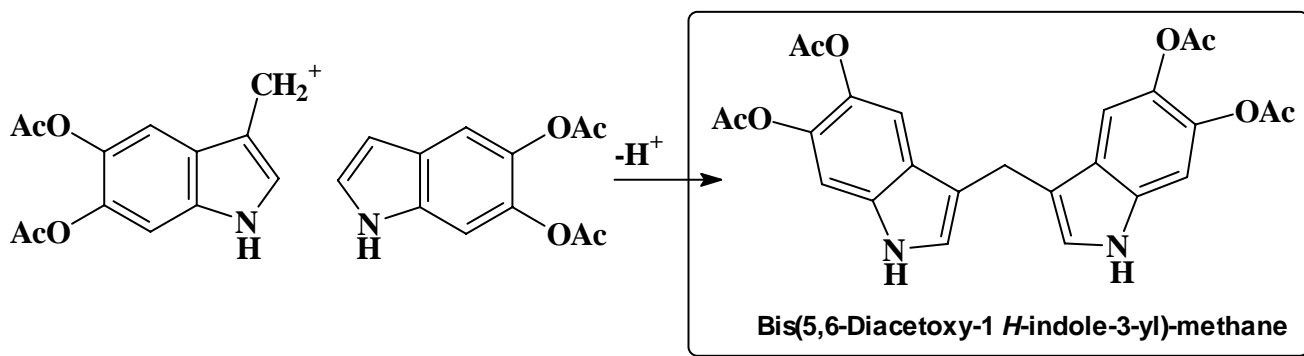
- reactivitatea generala trebuie privita ca superioara pirolului si analoga unei enamine mascate in secventa $N - C - 2 - C - 3$
- foarte reactivi la $C - 3$
- foarte reactivi si, ca atare, neselectivi in mediu puternic acid (nitrare si sulfonare)
- unii derivati deja substituiti la $C - 3$ manifesta inca electrophilicitate (comportare cu mare valoare sintetica)
- reactivitatea inelului pirolic o depaseste net pe cea a inelului benzenic

a) Reactia Mannich si functionalizarea mai departe:



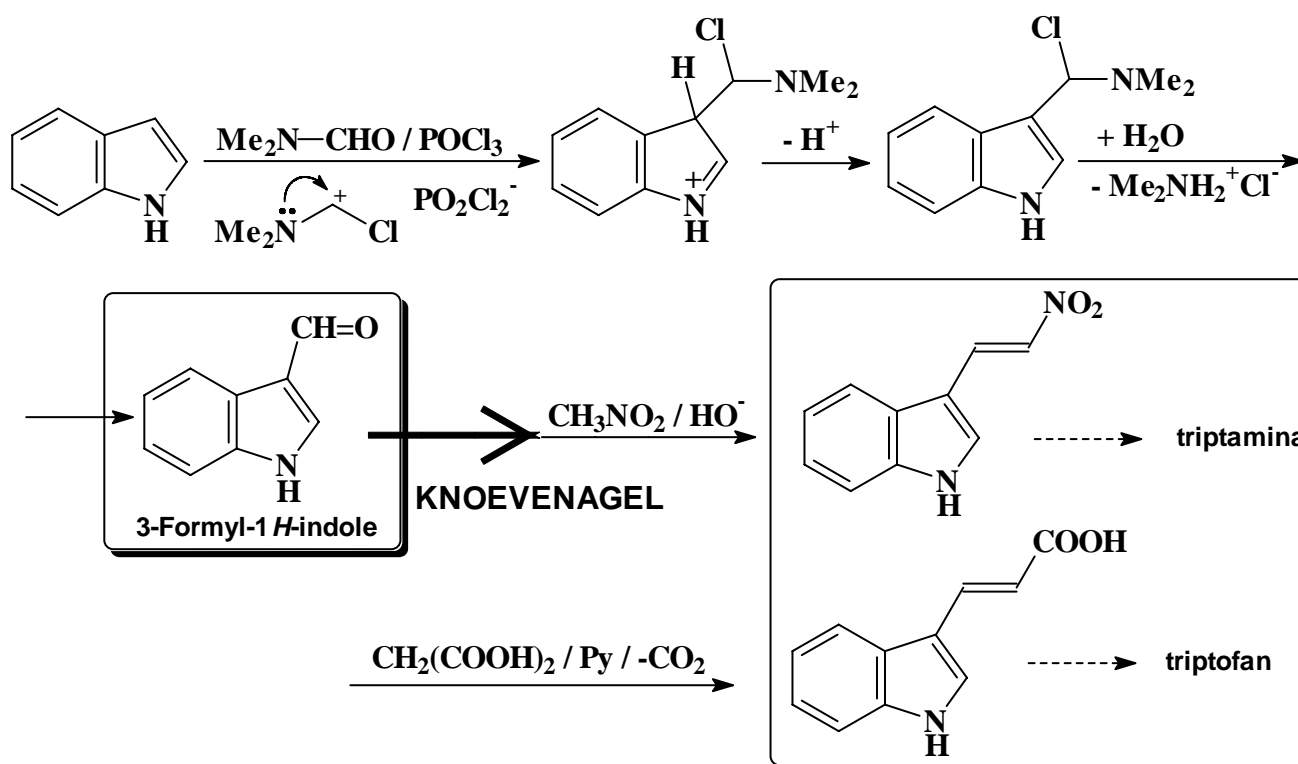
- alta posibilitate de a genera carbocationi stabilizati la $C - 3$:



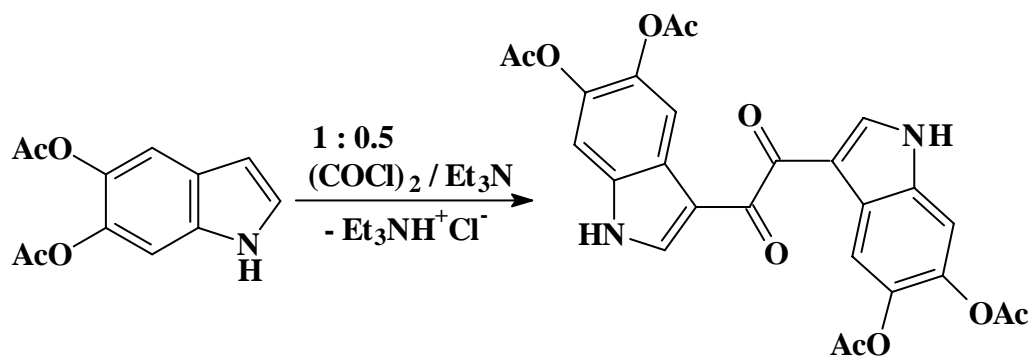


b) Reactia Vilsmeier si aplicatii:

- are loc in conditii similare formilarii pirolului:



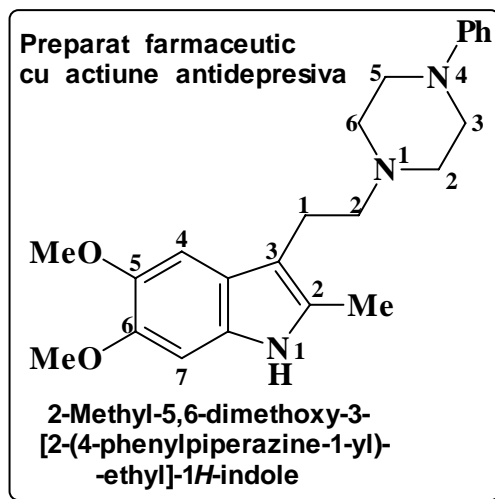
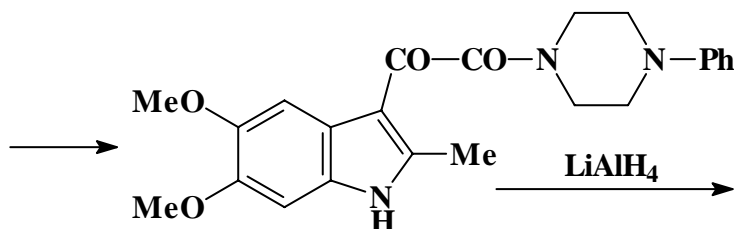
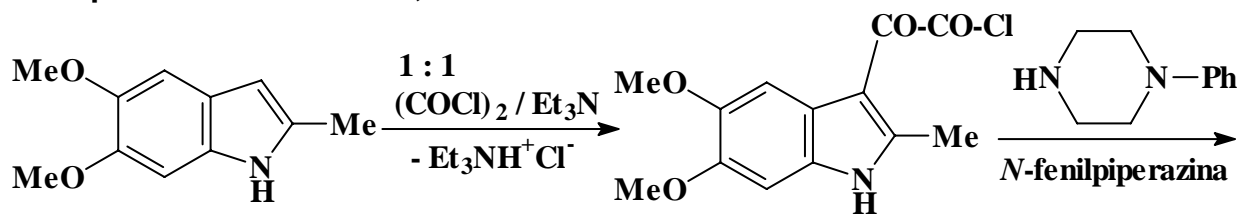
c) C- acilarea la C-3: se realizeaza fara catalizator, foarte regioselectiv, pe forma neutra a indolului, direct cu cloruri acide si in tampon bazic



- reactia are loc in conditii **extrem de blande**; se poate opri la stadiul de **monoclorura acida** (intermediara) sau **structuri dimerice**, ca mai sus; se aplica in **sinteza farmaceutica**.

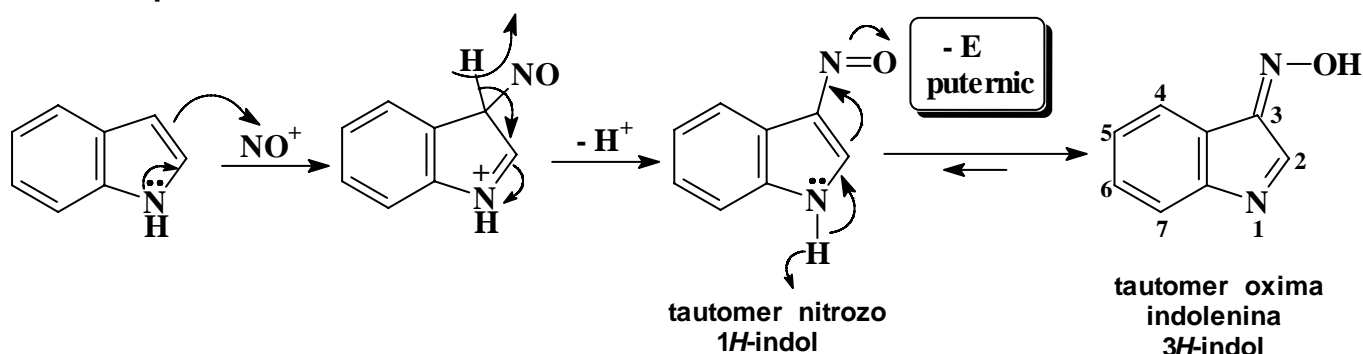
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- exemplu de acilare mixta, nesimetrica:



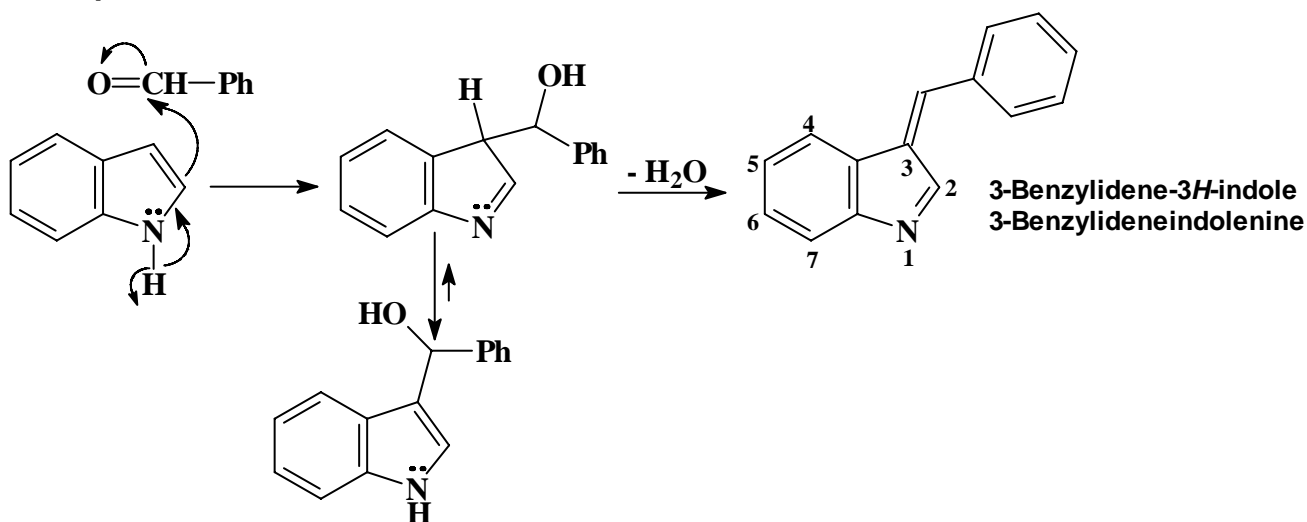
d) reactii SE la C-3 cu stabilizarea formei 3H indolice:

Exemplul 1: nitrozarea

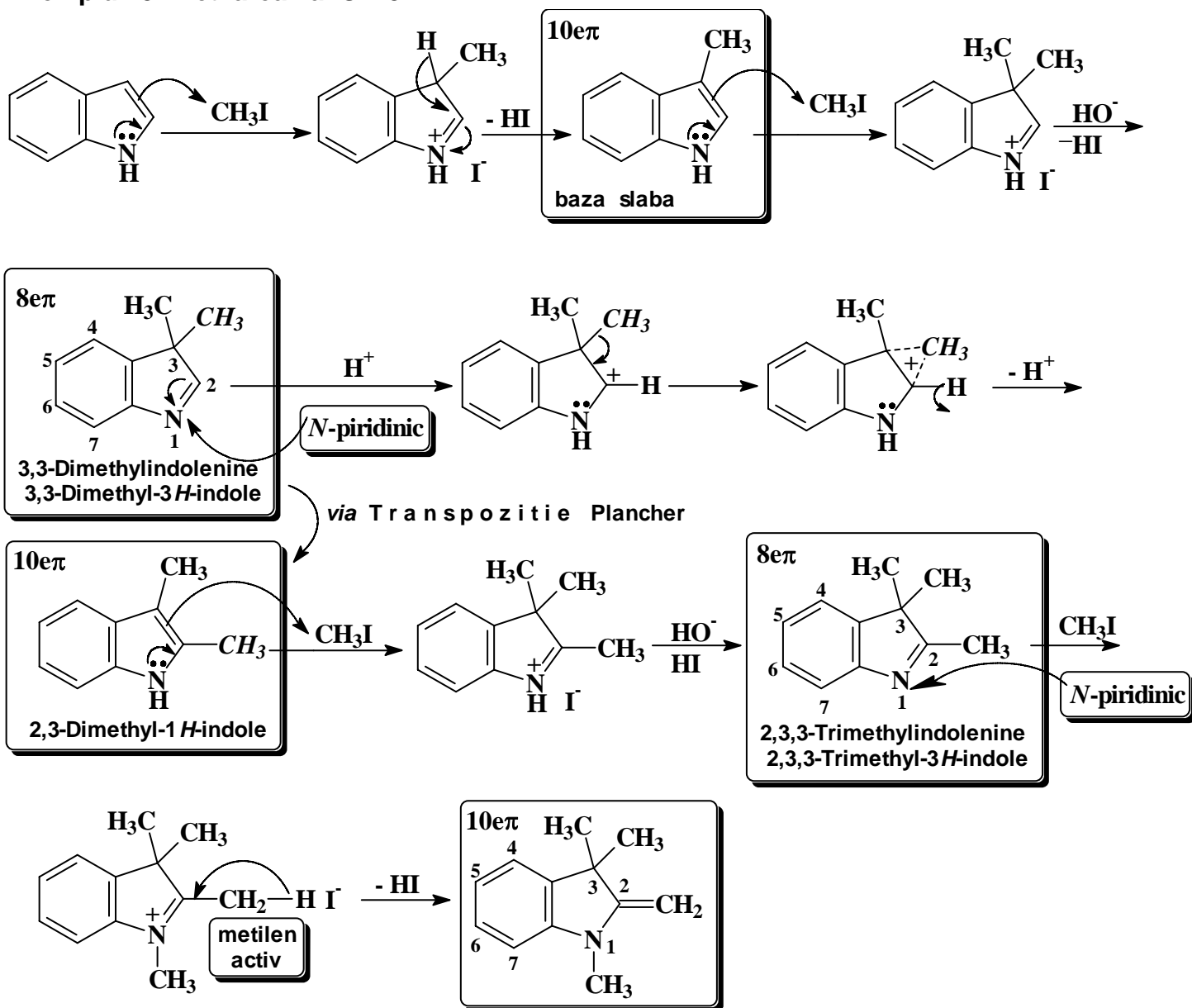


- tautomerul oxima (indoleninic) este **mai stabil**: contine perechea de centre **acid si baza slabe** (=N-OH respectiv -N=) si prezinta o conjugare mai extinsa (11 fata de 9 centre)

Exemplul 2: reactia cu aldehide aromatice



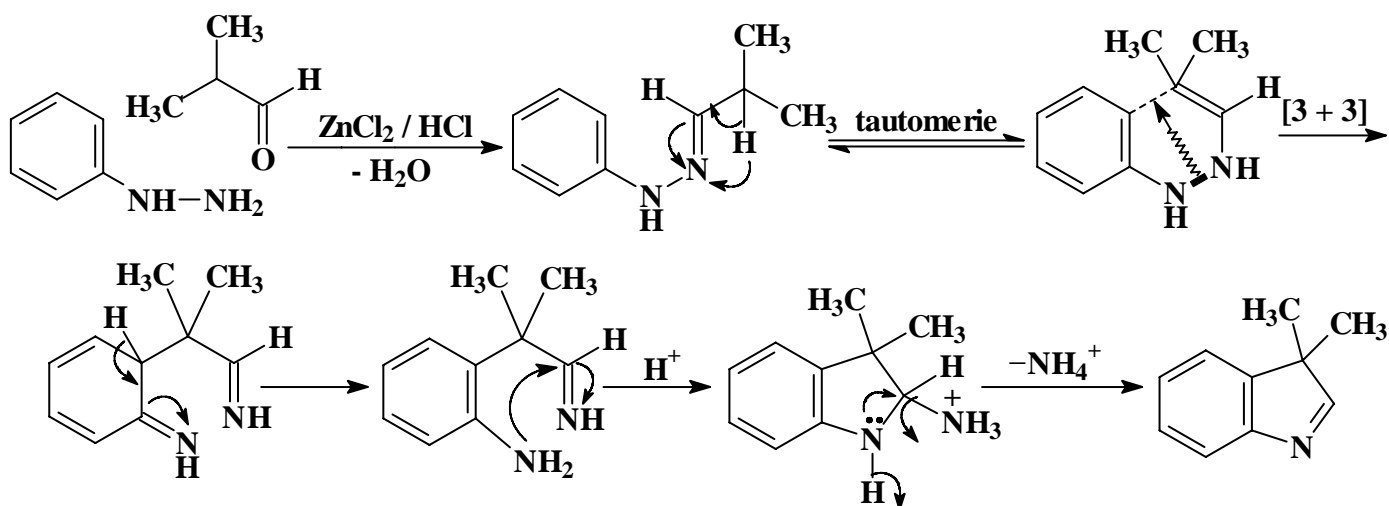
Exemplul 3: metilarea la C-3



Nota 1: regioselectivitatea la C-3 metilării este data de efectul de orientare al grupei NH

Nota 2: pe masura ca metilarea avanseaza, bazicitatea in partea heterociclica creste

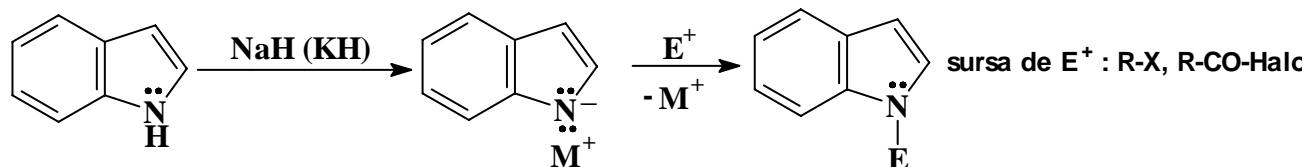
Nota 3: transpozitia Plancher pune in evidenta, indirect, stabilitatea mai mare a formei 1H-indolice vs. 3H-indolice (indoleninice, de asemenea accesibila in varianta Fischer)



3.2. Functionalizarea prin SE *via* metalare:

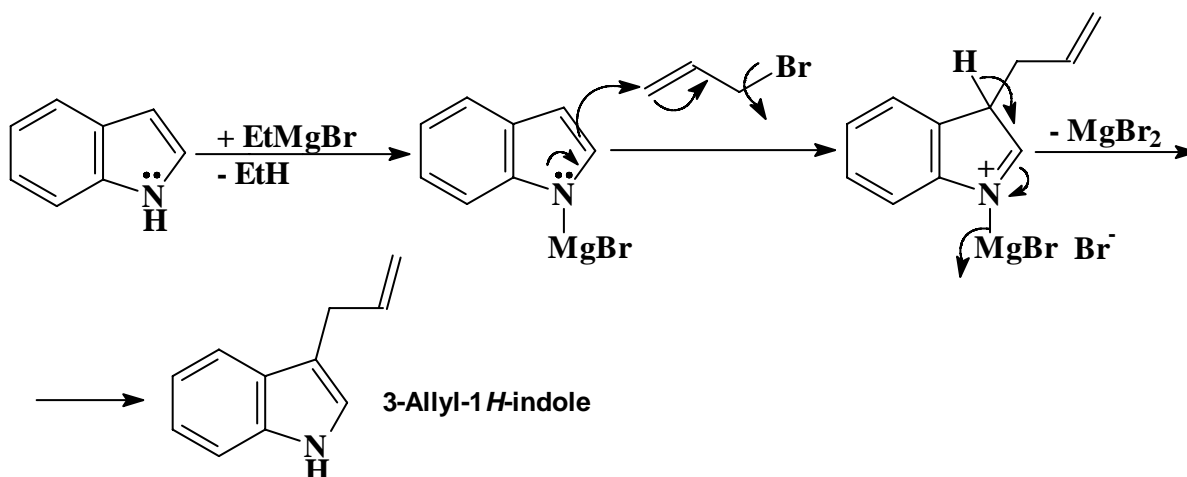
- asemenea pirolului
- deprotonarea la **NH** (pKa cca. 17) furnizeaza o baza puternica
- **nucleofilicitatea** anionului depinde de **electropozitivitatea** metalului

Exemplul 1: metale puternic alcaline → **N**-substitutie

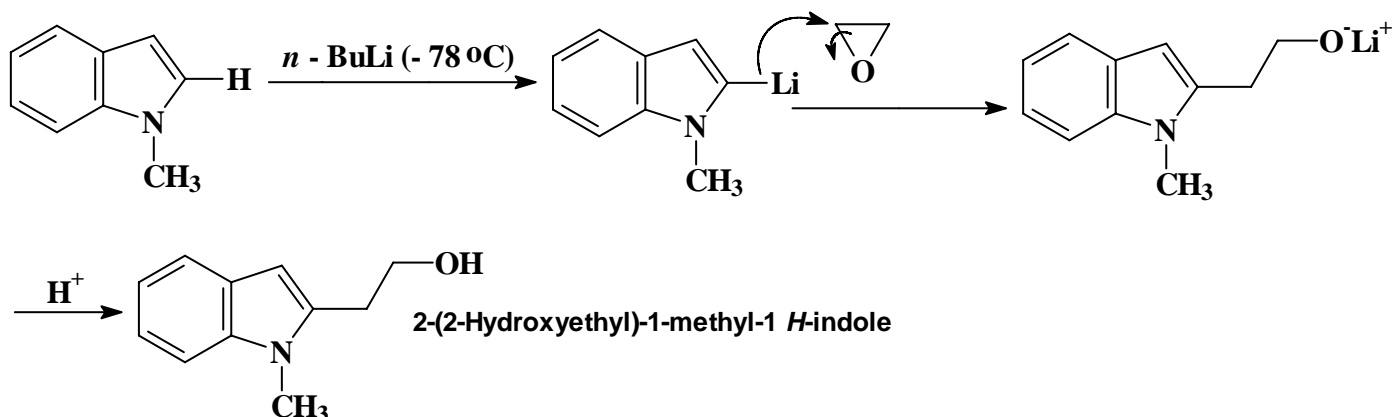


Nota: utilizarea *n*-BuLi pentru deprotonarea la **NH** nu da rezultate reproductibile

Exemplul 2: in cazul utilizarii reactivilor Grignard, orientarea SE este la **C-3**



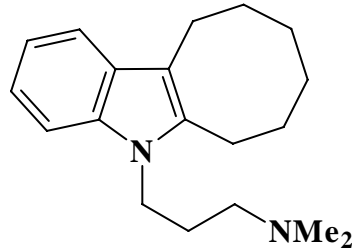
Exemplul 3: utilizarea *n*-BuLi este eficienta asupra **N**-metilindolilor (ca forme **N**-protejate) si permite functionalizarea regioselectiva la **C-2** *via* **C-2** litioderivati



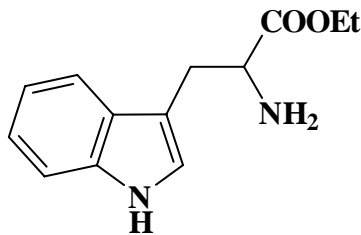
Nota: este metoda predilecta de completare a functionalizarii la **C-3**

P – 5

P-5.1. Indicati o metoda de obtinere a compusului indolic de mai jos, preparat farmaceutic cu actiune antidepresiva:



P-5.2. Indicati o metoda de preparare a compusului indolic de mai jos pornind, ca materii prime de baza, de la indol ca atare si nitroacetat de etil:



P-5.3. Explicati comportarea indolului *N*-substituit de mai jos in reactia de metalare cu *n*-BuLi.

