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One-Pot Two-Step Catalytic Asymmetric Michael Addition/Hydrogenation

Significance: A one-pot two-step asymmetric Michael addition–transfer hydrogenation co-catalyzed by an immobilized organocatalyst [SA@HSMSN (Cat. A)] and a Ru complex catalyst [[Ru]@HSMSN/HP (Cat. B)] was developed. The reaction of enone **1** and nitro sulfone **2** in the presence of Cat. A, Cat. B, and HCO_2Na gave the corresponding alcohols **4** in excellent chemical yields and with high diastereoselectivity (96–99% ee).

Comment: Squaramide and MesRuArDPEN were immobilized in hollow-shell-mesostructured silica nanoparticles without or with a hydrophilic polymer coating to form Cat. A and Cat. B, respectively. Cat. A promoted the Michael addition at -35°C , and Cat. B catalyzed the transfer hydrogenation at 35°C , to realize temperature-dependent control of the sequential dual-catalytic process.

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