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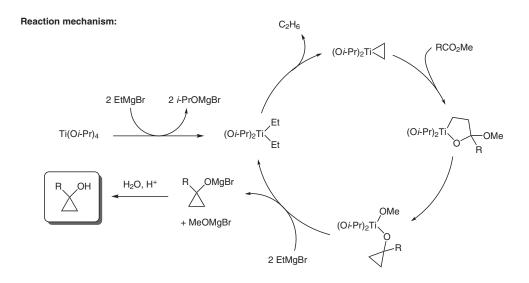
Titanium(IV) Isopropoxide-Catalyzed Formation of 1-Substituted Cyclopropanols in the Reaction of Ethylmagnesium Bromide with Methyl Alkanecarboxylates

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The Kulinkovich Reaction

Examples:

OH
$$n\text{-Pr}$$
 OH $n\text{-C}_5\text{H}_{11}$ OH $n\text{-C}_9\text{H}_{19}$ OH $n\text{-$



Significance: In 1991, Kulinkovich and co-workers reported the titanium-catalyzed reaction of simple esters with ethylmagnesium bromide, leading to substituted cyclopropanols in excellent yields.

Comment: Interestingly, in the presence of the titanium catalyst, ethylmagnesium bromide is transformed into an ethylene dianion, which is reactive towards alkylcarboxylic esters.

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