

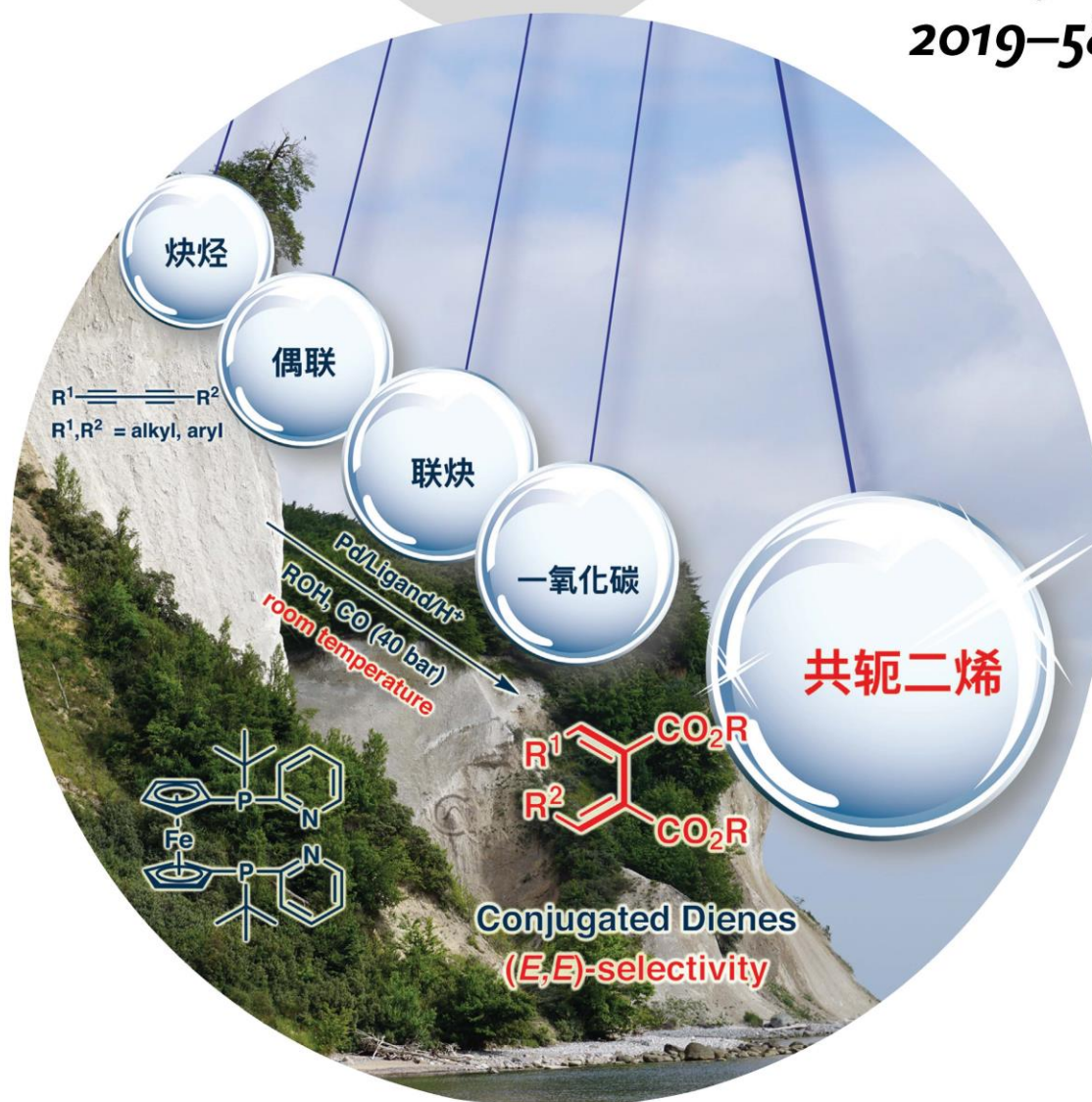
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## Increasing molecular complexity ...

... in a straightforward fashion, like a pendulum experiment, is possible with the stereoselective palladium-catalyzed double carbonylation of 1,3-diyne. In their Communication on page 10683 ff. M. Beller et al. apply this reaction to the construction of important intermediates en route to natural products such as *rac*-cagayanin, *rac*-galbulin, *rac*-agastinol, and cannabisin. The background shows the beautiful North Sea cliffs found in northeast Germany.

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Liu J, Yang J, Baumann W, Jackstell R, and Beller M. *ANGEWANDTE CHEMIE INTERNATIONAL EDITION*, 2019, 58, 10683-10687. Stereoselective Synthesis of Highly Substituted Conjugated Dienes via Pd-Catalyzed Carbonylation of 1,3-Diyne.