

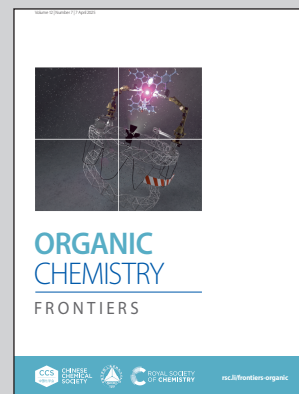
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Cycloisomerization of 7-en-2-yn-1-ones to bicyclo[3.1.0]  
hexanes using electrophilic fluorination or chlorination  
agents

The acid generated when N-fluoro-2,6-dichloropyridinium  
tetrafluoroborate is hydrolysed by a trace amount of water  
in the reaction system promotes the cycloisomerization of  
7-en-2-yn-1-ones to gem-difluorinated bicyclo[3.1.0]hexanes.  
Moreover, the proposed mechanism leads to an extension to  
the synthesis of gem-chlorofluorinated products.

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