PROBLEMS

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1.- In Hsung’s synthesis of myrrhine the following transformation was achieved with amazing selectivity.

a) Please provide a 3-D drawing of myrrhine.

b) Provide a mechanism with 3-D drawings to rationalize the observed selectivity.

![3-D drawing of myrrhine and mechanism](image)

2.- As a pivotal step in the synthesis of the freshwater cyanobacterial hepatotoxin cylindrospermopsin, Weinreb and co-workers carried out the following transformation:

![Overall transformation and intermediate A](image)

Provide a mechanism of the overall transformation and identify intermediate A.