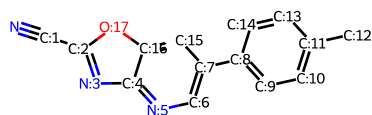


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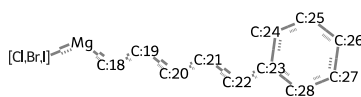
# Proposed Transitions

## Transition 1

- **Forward Reaction:** Grignard from nitrile to ketone
- **Is Chemically Valid:** True
- **Is Template-based:** True
- **Reasoning:** This is the general template for the Grignard from nitrile to ketone reaction. The halogen on the Grignard reagent can be a member of the class , typically Cl, Br, or I.
- **Is Smiles Valid:** False
- **Reactant 1:**  
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- **Reactant 2:** [Cl,Br,I][Mg][CH2:18][CH2:19][CH2:20][CH2:21][CH2:22][c:23]1[cH:24][cH:25][cH:26][cH:27][cH:28]1



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Reactants for Transition 1

## Transition 2

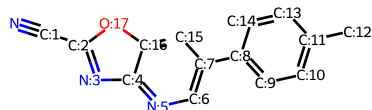
- **Forward Reaction:** Grignard from nitrile to ketone
- **Is Chemically Valid:** True
- **Is Template-based:** False
- **Reasoning:** This option is valid. Both the heterocyclic nitrile and the primary alkylmagnesium chloride are preparable, although they must be handled under strict anhydrous conditions. The nitrile group is a strong electrophile for the Grignard reagent. While the complex heterocyclic core presents potential sites for side reactions, the addition to the nitrile is a well-established and generally high-yielding transformation, especially at low temperatures. No stereochemical issues arise from this transformation.

- **Is Smiles Valid:** True

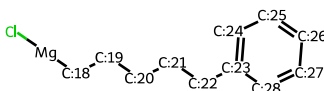
- **Reactant 1:**

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- **Reactant 2:** Cl[Mg][CH2:18][CH2:19][CH2:20][CH2:21][CH2:22][c:23]1[cH:24][cH:25][cH:26][cH:27][cH:28]1



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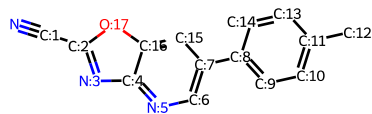
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Reactants for Transition 2

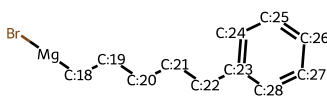
## Transition 3

- **Forward Reaction:** Grignard from nitrile to ketone
- **Is Chemically Valid:** True
- **Is Template-based:** False
- **Reasoning:** This option is valid. The use of an alkylmagnesium bromide is a very common choice for Grignard reactions. Both reactants are stable under anhydrous conditions. The reaction is expected to be chemoselective for the nitrile group over other potential electrophilic sites in the heterocycle, particularly when temperature is controlled. The transformation is electronically and sterically plausible.
- **Is Smiles Valid:** True
- **Reactant 1:**

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- **Reactant 2:** Br[Mg][CH2:18][CH2:19][CH2:20][CH2:21][CH2:22][c:23]1[cH:24][cH:25][cH:26][cH:27][cH:28]1



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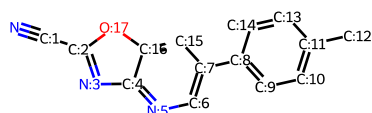


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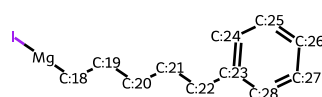
Reactants for Transition 3

## Transition 4

- **Forward Reaction:** Grignard from nitrile to ketone
- **Is Chemically Valid:** True
- **Is Template-based:** False
- **Reasoning:** This option is valid. Alkylmagnesium iodides are highly reactive and suitable for this transformation. The reactants are considered stable under the necessary anhydrous conditions. The high reactivity of the Grignard reagent favors the desired nucleophilic addition to the nitrile. Chemoselectivity can be maintained with careful control of reaction conditions. This represents a viable, albeit sometimes less common, alternative to the corresponding chloride or bromide.
- **Is Smiles Valid:** True
- **Reactant 1:** N#[C:1][c:2]1[n:3][c:4]2[n:5][cH:6][c:7](-[c:8]3[cH:9][cH:10][c:11](C[CH3:12])[cH:13][cH:14]3)[cH:15][c:16]2[o:17]1
- **Reactant 2:** I[Mg][CH2:18][CH2:19][CH2:20][CH2:21][CH2:22][c:23]1[cH:24][cH:25][cH:26][cH:27][cH:28]1



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Reactants for Transition 4