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Gold-Catalyzed Annulation/Fragmentation: Formation of Free Gold Carbenes by Retrocyclopropanation. — The reaction of a variety of 1,6-enynes, bearing hydroxy, alkoxy or aryl groups at the benzyl position, naphthalenes [cf. (II), (IV), (XI), (XIV)], fused mono- [cf. (IX)] and biscyclopropanes [cf. (XII)] are prepared. The method is extended to the synthesis of biaryl (VI), which is upon hydrolysis converted to naphthol (VI), a valuable intermediate for the total synthesis of an alkaloid macarpine. — (SOLORIO-ALVARADO, C. R.; ECHAVARREN*, A. M.; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 132 (2010) 34, 11881-11883, http://dx.doi.org/10.1021/ja104743k; Inst. Chem. Res. Catalonia, E-43007 Tarragona, Spain; Eng.) — Y. Steudel

