

Efficient and Convenient Procedure for Protection of Hydroxyl Groups to the THP, THF and TMS Ethers and Oxidation of these Ethers to their Aldehydes or Ketones in [BPy]FeCl₄ as a Low Cost Room Temperature Ionic Liquid

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Alcohols were converted to the corresponding THP, THF or TMS ethers in high to excellent yields in 1-*n*-butylpyridinium chloroferrate media as a stable and low cost room temperature ionic liquid. In addition, oxidation of these ethers to their aldehydes or ketones without any overoxidation reactions in this ionic liquid was also performed.

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