



reported in  $\delta$  values (ppm) downfield from an internal TMS reference. The mass spectra were measured with a JEOL JMS-D 300S spectrometer. Optical rotations were taken on a JASCO DIP-SL polarimeter. X-Ray diffraction data were obtained on an Enraf-Nonius CAD-4 automated four-circle diffractometer with a SDP program package. All irradiations were carried out with a 500-W high-pressure mercury lamp (Eikosha EHB-WI-500).

**Photoaddition of Acetylene to 4,6-O-Isopropylidene- and 4-O-Acetyl-6-O-triphenylmethyl-1,5-anhydro-2-deoxy-*D*-erythro-hex-1-en-3-uloses (1 and 2).** (a) **To 1.** A solution of **1** (120 mg) in dry acetone (250 ml) was irradiated through a Pyrex filter at room temperature for 30 min under a continuous introduction of acetylene. The removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel using hexane-ethyl acetate (4:1) as eluent gave **3** (112 mg, 81% yield); mp 117–118.5 °C (hexane-ethyl acetate);  $[\alpha]_D^{24} +103^\circ$  (*c* 0.54 in EtOH); IR: 1725, 1390, 1380, and 1125  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta=1.51$  (6H, s,  $-\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ), 3.7–4.4 (5H, m), 5.14 (1H, d,  $J=2$  Hz,  $-\text{OCHCH=}$ ), and 6.2–6.4 (2H, m,  $-\text{CH=CH-}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $\delta=18.6, 28.6, 55.9, 62.4, 63.2, 75.4, 77.6, 100.2, 137.0, 140.0$ , and 200.1; MS:  $m/z$  210 ( $\text{M}^+$ ); Found: C, 62.85; H, 6.92%. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}_4$ : C, 62.84; H, 6.71%.

(b) **To 2.** A solution of **2** (200 mg) in dry acetone (600 ml) was irradiated through a Pyrex filter at room temperature for 30 min under a continuous introduction of acetylene. After removing the solvent, the residue was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel using hexane-ethyl acetate (9:1) as eluent to afford **4** (158 mg, 75% yield); mp 157–158 °C (hexane-acetone);  $[\alpha]_D^{24} +187^\circ$  (*c* 0.53 in EtOH); IR: 1745, 1720, and 1600  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta=1.78$  (3H, s, OAc), 2.97 and 3.36 (each 1H, dd,  $J=3$  and 10 Hz,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OCPh}_3$ ), 3.66 (1H, d,  $J=4$  Hz,  $-\text{COCH-}$ ), 4.10 (1H, dt,  $J=3$  and 10 Hz,  $\text{Ph}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{CH-}$ ), 5.05 (1H, d,  $J=4$  Hz,  $-\text{OCHCH=}$ ), 5.23 (1H, d,  $J=10$  Hz,  $-\text{CHOAc}$ ), 6.08 (2H, s,  $-\text{CH=CH-}$ ), and 7.0–7.5 (15H, m,  $3\times\text{Ph}$ );  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR  $\delta=20.3, 55.9, 62.1, 69.5, 74.9, 127.0, 127.1, 127.9, 128.8, 129.7, 137.0, 140.9, 143.6, 169.1$ , and 200.3; MS:  $m/z$  454 ( $\text{M}^+$ ); Found: C, 76.57; H, 5.91%. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{29}\text{H}_{26}\text{O}_5$ : C, 76.63; H, 5.77%.

**Conversion of 3 and 4 to 7.** (a) **From 3.** A mixture of **3** (100 mg) and 5% Pd-C (25 mg) in ethanol (15 ml) was stirred under a hydrogen atmosphere at room temperature for 90 min until it absorbed ca. 18 ml of  $\text{H}_2$ . The catalyst was removed by filtration and the solvent was evaporated to give an oil (100 mg); this was chromatographed on silica gel using benzene-ethyl acetate (1:1) as eluent to afford **7** (colorless oil, 80 mg). IR: 3600, 3500, and 1715  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta=1.6$ –2.6 (4H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 2.84 (2H, bs,  $2\times\text{OH}$ ), 3.0–3.6 (1H, m,  $-\text{COCH-}$ ), 3.72 (1H, dd,  $J=3$  and 10 Hz,  $-\text{OCHCH}_2\text{OH}$ ), 3.91 (2H, d,  $J=3$  Hz,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ), 4.37 (1H, d,  $J=10$  Hz,  $-\text{CHOH}$ ), and 4.90 (1H, dd,  $J=8$  and 15 Hz,  $-\text{OCH-}$ ); MS:  $m/z$  173 ( $[\text{M}+1]^+$ ).

**Isopropylidene Derivative (8) of 7.** *p*-Toluenesulfonic acid (43 mg) was added to a mixed solution of **7** (110 mg), 2,2-dimethoxypropane (10 ml) and dry *N,N*-dimethylformamide (0.5 ml), and then the mixture was stirred at room temperature for 50 min. A usual work-up and purification by silica-gel column chromatography (hexane-ethyl acetate, 9:1) gave **8** in 32% yield; mp 138–139 °C (hexane-ethyl acetate); IR: 1730, 1390, and 1380  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta=1.54$  (6H, s,  $-\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2$ ), 1.7–2.7 (4H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 3.0–3.5 (1H, m,  $-\text{COCH-}$ ), 3.8–4.5 (2H, m,  $-\text{OCHCHO-}$ ), 3.93

(2H, d,  $J=3$  Hz,  $-\text{OCH}_2-$ ), and 4.84 (1H, dd,  $J=8$  and 15 Hz,  $-\text{OCH-}$ ); MS:  $m/z$  212 ( $\text{M}^+$ ); Found: C, 62.24; H, 7.75%. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}_4$ : C, 62.25; H, 7.60%.

(b) **From 4.** A mixture of **4** (200 mg) and 5% Pd-C (120 mg) in ethyl acetate (20 ml) was stirred with  $\text{H}_2$  at room temperature for 17 min. After ca. 20 ml of  $\text{H}_2$  had been consumed, a similar work-up to that described above gave 210 mg of oily product, which was chromatographed on silica gel using hexane-ethyl acetate (98:2, 95:5, and 50:50) as developing agent to afford triphenylmethanol (75 mg), **6** (65 mg), and **5** (60 mg) in the order of elution. **5**: Colorless oil; IR: 3580, 3500, 1740, and 1720  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta=1.5$ –2.7 (4H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$ ), 2.21 (3H, s, OAc), 3.0–3.4 (2H, m,  $-\text{COCH-}$  and OH), 3.80 (2H, d,  $J=2$  Hz,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$ ), 4.07 (1H, dt,  $J=2$  and 10 Hz,  $-\text{CHCH}_2\text{OH}$ ), 4.87 (1H, dd,  $J=7$  and 15 Hz,  $-\text{OCH-}$ ), and 5.23 (1H, d,  $J=10$  Hz,  $-\text{CHOAc}$ ). **6**: Mp 130–131 °C (ethanol); IR: 1740, 1730, 1600, 1490, and 1450  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ;  $^1\text{H}$  NMR  $\delta=1.90$  (3H, s, OAc), 1.5–3.3 (5H, m,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}_2-$  and  $-\text{COCH-}$ ), 3.11 and 3.42 (each 1H, dd,  $J=3$  and 10 Hz,  $-\text{CH}_2\text{OCPh}_3$ ), 4.01 (1H, dt,  $J=3$  and 10 Hz,  $\text{Ph}_3\text{COCH}_2\text{CH-}$ ), 4.81 (1H, dd,  $J=8$  and 14 Hz,  $-\text{OCH-}$ ), and 5.34 (1H, d,  $J=10$  Hz,  $-\text{CHOAc}$ ). Alkaline hydrolysis of **5** (25 mg of **5**, 5 ml of methanol, 55 mg of  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$ , and stirring at room temperature for 25 h) gave **7** which was identical with the above material.

**Irradiation of 3.** A solution of **3** (203 mg) in anhydrous acetone (500 ml) was irradiated through a Pyrex filter at room temperature for 60 min. After removing the solvent, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel using hexane-ethyl acetate (7:3) as an eluent to afford **8** (55 mg, 27% yield); this was identical in all respects with the sample prepared by isopropylideneation of **7**.

**Irradiation of 4.** Irradiation of a solution of **4** (200 mg) in anhydrous acetonitrile (600 ml) through a Pyrex filter at room temperature for 30 min, followed by a silica-gel column chromatographic work-up of the residual oil using hexane-ethyl acetate (95:5) as an eluent afforded **6** (40 mg, 20% yield); this was identical with the compound previously obtained from the catalytic hydrogenation of **4**.

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