## Facile β-trimethylstannyl promoted 1,5-hydride shifts in cyclooctyl and cyclodecyl systems

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Deuterium labelling and <sup>2</sup>H NMR mapping demonstrate that cyclooctyl and cyclodecyl mesylates in aqueous EtOH exhibit greatly enhanced or exclusive levels of 1,5-hydride shift, provided a Me<sub>3</sub>Sn group is  $\beta$  to the migrating hydrogen, and after tin group loss from the formal  $\beta$ -stannyl cation, results in regiospecific, transannular alkene formation.

Recently we have described how suitably located Group 14 centred substituents (e.g. Me<sub>3</sub>Si, Me<sub>3</sub>Sn) may regulate transformations of medium-ring epoxides and mesylates.<sup>1</sup> Although 1,5-H shift occurs to the extent of ca. 50% in solvolysis of cyclooctyl mesylate,<sup>1,2</sup> this phenomenon is essentially completely suppressed in cis- and trans-5-mesyloxycyclooctyltrimethylstannanes 1 and is attributable to the relatively unfavourable nature of the  $\alpha$ -stannyl cation 2.<sup>1</sup> Nor do 1,4-hydride shifts compete in these systems, despite the generation of a formal  $\beta$ -stannyl cation intermediate **3**. Other pathways intervene.<sup>1</sup> However, there would be justifiable anticipation that in the 4-mesyloxycyclooctyl- and 6-mesyloxycyclodecyltrimethylstannanes 4 and 5 transannular hydride migration would be especially facile if the ' $\beta$ -stannyl effect'<sup>3</sup> can operate to stabilise intermediates resembling 3 and 6, as stable ion data<sup>4</sup> require that cyclooctyl and cyclodecyl cations possess the 1,5-µ-hydrido bridged stuctures (Scheme 1). This proposition is now verified. cis-Cyclooctane-1,4-diol 75 was processed as shown below (Scheme 2) to provide trans- and cis-4-hydroxycyclooctyltrimethylstannanes 8 and 9, respectively, and the corresponding 4-2H<sub>1</sub>-isotopomers 8a and 9a.6

All stereochemically validated cases of stannyl anion displacement of sulfonate ester groups proceed with inversion of configuration at carbon,<sup>1,7</sup> and on this basis, *cis*-diol **7** provides *trans*-stannyl alcohol 8. The similar patterns of <sup>13</sup>C chemical shifts, through-bond <sup>119</sup>Sn-<sup>13</sup>C coupling constants (especially  ${}^{3}J_{Sn-C}$ )<sup>8</sup> and certain <sup>1</sup>H chemical shifts for **8** and **9** indicate that the chair-chair (10) and boat-chair (11) conformations are important for the *trans* (8) and *cis* stannanes (9), respectively.

The behaviour of the mesylates from 8, 8a, 9 and 9a in 75% EtOH-H<sub>2</sub>O, buffered with 2,6-lutidine, was examined and the



Scheme 1



Scheme 2 Reagents and conditions: i, dihydropyran, TsOH, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 52%; ii, MsCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 93%; iii, Me<sub>3</sub>SnLi, THF, 84%; iv, TsOH, MeOH, 89%; v, tetrapropylammonium perruthenate, NMO, CH2Cl2, 77%; vi, LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, Et<sub>2</sub>O, 91%; vii, LiAlD<sub>4</sub>, Et<sub>2</sub>O, 93%; viii, HPLC.

product profiles and <sup>2</sup>H location were determined by a combination of <sup>1</sup>H, <sup>2</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectroscopy of (total) product solutions, combined GC-MS analyses and comparisons with the spectra of authentic compounds. This data is summarised in Scheme 3.

trans-Mesylates from 8 or 8a afforded very predominantly (E)-cyclooctene 12, whereas cis-mesylates provided almost exclusively (Z)-cyclooctene 13 and very little Me<sub>3</sub>Sn-containing products 14. The <sup>2</sup>H NMR spectra of the cyclooctenes 12 and 13 from the labelled mesylates (from 8a and 9a) each



Scheme 3 Reagents and conditions: i, 75% EtOH-H2O, 2,6-lutidine, 300 K.

consisted of a single, sharp high-field resonance at  $\delta$  1.42 for labelled (*Z*)-cyclooctene **13** and at  $\delta$  1.72 for (*E*)-cyclooctene **12**, confirming exclusive location of the label on a methylene carbon. Because we had already assigned the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of a number of specifically <sup>2</sup>H-labelled (*Z*)- and (*E*)-cyclooctenes,<sup>9</sup> we were able to establish from the <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of the product that only 5-<sup>2</sup>H<sub>1</sub>-(*Z*)-cyclooctene **13** formed from **9a** and (as a minor product) from **8a** and only *one* diastereomer of **12** from labelled *trans*-mesylate **8a**.

Hence the H-shift was *complete* and *regiospecific* in a *1,5-sense*, and *diastereospecific* in the formation of **12**, which incorporates two stereogenic features. Furthermore, there is a substantial difference in the chemical shifts of the 'inside' and 'outside' protons on C-5 in the rigid (*E*)-cyclooctene systems<sup>10</sup> (see **15**) ( $\delta$  0.82 and 1.41;<sup>11</sup>  $\delta$  0.7 and 1.7<sup>12</sup>) that reflects the influence of the double bond. Deuterium is located only at an 'outside' position in **12** ( $\delta$  1.7) and this specificity appears to require that there is a nexus, perhaps weak, between ionisation and the 1,5-hydride shift. Consideration of the likely conformations **10** and **11** for the stannanes and likely distortions as ionisation proceeds, indicates a favourable pseudo-antiperiplanar disposition of the migrating C–H bond and  $\beta$ -Sn–C bond is accessible and meets the proximity and trajectory requirements of the migration.

β-Trimethylstannyl enhanced 1,5-H shifts have also been observed in similar reactions of the <sup>2</sup>H-labelled *trans*- and *cis*-6-mesyloxycyclodecyltrimethylstannanes **17** and **18**, which were acquired from *trans*-cyclodecane-1,6-diol<sup>13,14</sup> in the way summarised in Scheme 2 for the 1,4-cyclooctyl system.



For  $1-^{2}H_{1}$ -cyclodecylmesylate **16** the major products  $(\sim 90\%)$  were the (E) and (Z) cyclodecenes with about 67% of the <sup>2</sup>H label on the double bond ( $\delta$  5.3–5.4) representing unrearranged products, with ca. 20% corresponding to rearranged transannular product ( $\delta$  1.26).<sup>15,16</sup> However, the *trans*stannane 17 also provided largely cyclodecenes (~80%) but now the majority of the label (~75%) is located transannularly  $(\delta 1.26)$ , confirming considerably enhanced 1.5-H migration. [Small amounts of both *cis* and *trans* decalins also form ( $\delta$  1.55 and 0.76, corresponding to bridgehead absorption)]. The labelled cis-mesylate 18 also provides cyclodecenes that are substantially rearranged ( $\delta$  1.33, 65–70%), in addition to *cis*decalin (~20%,  $\delta$  1.54) which may result from 'back-lobe' bond formation, as proposed for the exclusive formation of cisbicyclo[3.3.0]octane from cis-5-mesyloxycyclooctyltrimethylstannane.1

For a variety of alkyl and stannyl substituted cyclooctyl sulfonate esters, and for the stannyl substituted cyclodecylmesylates, relative to the parent system,<sup>17</sup> there is a narrow rate spread within each system, despite substantial variations in the levels of associated transannular hydride shift.<sup>1,18</sup> This fact, along with values for  $\alpha$ -secondary <sup>2</sup>H-isotope effects,<sup>19</sup> implies that hydride shift lags behind primary ionisation. The present results confirm that 1,5- and not 1,6-H shifts are generally operative in cyclooctyl and cyclodecyl systems and are strongly promoted by a  $\beta$ -Me<sub>3</sub>Sn group. These results and those from cyclononyl systems will be discussed in full at a later date, but demonstrate that Me<sub>3</sub>Sn-driven transannular functionalization is facile and regiospecific.

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