# **1,3-Aminoalcohols and Their Derivatives in Asymmetric Organic Synthesis**

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### **1. Introduction**

Aminoalcohols have been used extensively in asymmetric synthesis, both as chiral ligands and auxiliaries. The two heteroatoms allow great flexibility, as one or both can be bound to a Lewis acid, transition metal, or achiral starting material. Syntheses<sup>1</sup> of and the role of 1,2-aminoalcohols and their derivatives<sup>2,3</sup> as chiral auxiliaries have been reviewed previously. While less abundant than the 1,2 aminoalcohols, 1,3-aminoalcohols have also contributed significantly to the advancement of asymmetric synthesis. Because they are often forgotten in favor of their more popular cousins, this review has been undertaken to demonstrate the breadth of chemistry using 1,3-aminoalcohols as sources of chirality. Many have found use as chiral ligands or auxiliaries, and there have also been applications as a resolving agent and as a phase transfer catalyst. For the purposes of this review, the chemistry of aminated sugars<sup>4</sup> (which are often simultaneously 1,2-, 1,3-, 1,4-, and, occasionally, 1,5-aminoalcohols) will only be discussed when they are acting specifically as 1,3-aminoalcohols.

This paper reviews the application of 1,3-aminoalcohols and their derivatives in asymmetric transformations for organic synthesis. It is broken into seven sections according to reaction classes in which 1,3-aminoalcohols are participants as chirality transfer agents. The review begins with the reactions of stabilized carbanions, followed by ring opening reactions, additions to carbonyls, pericyclic reactions, transition-metal-catalyzed reactions, and radical cyclizations. The last section describes the uses of 1,3 aminoalcohols and derivatives that do not fall into any of the aforementioned categories. Within each reaction class, a variety of 1,3-aminoalcohols will be introduced along with results spanning a wide range of substrates. It is important to note that this review will not cover the synthesis of 1,3 aminoalcohols extensively. The syntheses presented will be only of those 1,3-aminoalcohols that have proven to be applicable in asymmetric transformations. The review shows that 1,3-aminoalcohols and their derivatives have proven useful in asymmetric transformations and that there is still much room for research in this area.

# **2. Reactions of Stabilized Carbanions**

In 1990 Denmark<sup>5a</sup> and co-workers investigated simple aminoalcohol **1a** as a chiral auxiliary for alkylation of phosphorus-stabilized carbanions. Reaction with BnPOCl<sub>2</sub> in Et3N gave **2a** and **3a** in 49% and 28% yields, respectively. Addition of **2a** to *t*BuLi and quenching the resulting anion with various electrophiles gave **4a** (Scheme 1, Table 1). The best results were obtained using MeI; however, respectable diastereoselectivity was observed using Me<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, ClCH<sub>2</sub>OBn, BrCH2CO2Bn, or allyl iodide. The relative stereochemistry of the alkylation products was determined by acid-catalyzed cleavage of the auxiliary followed by methylation with

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 $CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>$  giving ( $R$ )-6. Surprisingly, it was noted that repeating this chemistry using the less sterically hindered aminoalcohol **1b** instead of **1a** gave superior diastereoselectivity; however, no yields were reported for these reactions (Table 1). Epimeric substrate **3a** gave the opposite enantiomer of the product, (*S*)-**6**, upon cleavage of the auxiliary from **5a**. Unfortunately, use of any electrophile other than MeI gave negligible diastereoselectivity upon reaction with **3a** (Scheme 1, Table 1).

In an extension of this work, Denmark et al.<sup>5b</sup> also used **1a** as a chiral auxiliary for amination of phosphorus-stabilized carbanions. Formation of the anion of **2a** and quenching with trisylN3 gave **7** in 75% yield with a 93:7 diastereomeric ratio (dr) (Scheme 2). Use of **3a** gave only one observable diastereomer of **8**, but the yield was much lower. As before, the two epimers, **2a** and **3a**, were complementary, giving opposite enantiomers of **9** upon cleavage of the auxiliary. Several other aminoalcohols were tested as auxiliaries in an unsuccessful attempt to find a system that could combine good yield and stereocontrol. Amination of **10** and **12** gave



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*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) BnPOCl2, Et3N (2 equiv); (b) *t*BuLi, THF,  $-70$  °C; (c) R<sup>2</sup>X; (d) 6 N HCl; (e) CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>.

moderate stereocontrol (75:25 and 81:19 dr, respectively) though yields were  $79-81\%$ . On the other hand, amination of **11** gave only 30% yield even though only one diastereomer of the product was observed.

In 1993, Ahn et al. used camphor-based auxiliaries **13a**-**<sup>c</sup>** for enolate alkylation reactions.6 Treatment of adducts **13a**-**<sup>c</sup>** with LDA generated *Z*-enolates which were quenched with alkyl halides to give alkylation products **<sup>14</sup>**-**<sup>16</sup>** with excellent diastereoselectivity (Table 2). Reduction of **<sup>14</sup>**-**<sup>16</sup>** with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> gave alcohols  $17-19$  in  $73-81$ % yield alongside

**Table 1. Alkylation of the Phosphorus-Stabilized Carbanions of 2a and 3a**

substrate	electrophile $(R2X)$	yield $(\% )$	dr
2a	MeI	85	95:5(R)
2a	Me <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	67	92:8(R)
2a	BrCH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Bn	46	94:6(R)
2a	ClCH <sub>2</sub> OBn	74	92:9(R)
2a	allyl iodide	86	90:10(R)
2a	BnBr	70	84:16(R)
2 <sub>h</sub>	MeI	not reported	98:2(R)
2 <sub>h</sub>	BnBr	not reported	97:3(R)
3a	MeI	96	83:17(S)
3a	BnBr	96	55:45(S)

**Scheme 2***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) *n*BuLi, Et<sub>2</sub>O,  $-78$  °C; (b) trisylN<sub>3</sub>,  $-78$ °C; (c) Ac2O, warm to rt, 8 h; (d) Al-Hg, EtOH; (e) 4 N HCl, dioxane, reflux; (f) KHMDS, THF,  $-78$  °C; (g) AcOH; (h) H<sub>2</sub>, 5% Pd/C, EtOH.

#### **Table 2. Synthesis of Chiral Alcohols 17**-**19 by Alkylation of 13**





90% recovered oxazinone **20**. By interchanging  $R^1$  and  $R^2$ , Ahn et al. were able to prepare both enantiomers of the chiral alcohol using the same auxiliary.

Methoxy derivative **21a** and its *endo* isomer **21b** have been used as chiral auxiliaries for alkylation of cyclohexanone.<sup>7</sup> Chiral imines **22** were prepared from auxiliaries **21** and cyclohexanone (Scheme 3). Enolates generated using LDA **Scheme 3***<sup>a</sup>*



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) cyclohexanone, PhH, reflux, 8 h; (b) LDS, THF,  $-78$  °C; (c) RX, THF, 0 or  $-10$  °C; (d) citric acid, H<sub>2</sub>O.

#### **Table 3. Diastereoselective Alkylation of (**-**)-27a,b with Various Electrophiles (R**′**X)**



Conditions and reagents: (a) CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>COCI, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (b) R'X, KHMDS, THF



were subsequently quenched with alkyl halides. Hydrolytic workup gave 2-alkylcyclohexanones **<sup>23</sup>**-**<sup>25</sup>** in low to moderate yield. The reactions proceeded with moderate to excellent diastereoselectivity, and the two epimers of the auxiliary gave opposite enantiomers of the final product.

In 1995, Masamune reported a class of benzopyranoisoxazolidines used as chiral auxiliaries in the asymmetric <sup>R</sup>-alkylation of carboxylic acid derivatives.8 Auxiliaries **26a** and **26b** were easily acylated to give **27a** and **27b**, respectively, by treating with the appropriate acid chloride and triethylamine (Table 3). Smooth  $\alpha$ -alkylation was effected by deprotonation of the corresponding acyl amide. Addition of an electrophile gave amides **28**. Alkylation of the anion of **27** was not limited to common "reactive" electrophiles such as benzyl bromide, allyl bromide, or *n*-pentyl iodide. Interestingly, these anions were capable of reacting with *â*-branched triflates. Alkylation protocols involving the *N*-acyl anions of Evans' oxazolidinone,9 Oppolzer's camphor sultam, $^{10}$  or other similar methods<sup>11</sup> tend to be unsuccessful in the reaction with  $\beta$ -branched triflates. Alkylation adducts could be reductively cleaved to afford either an aldehyde or an alcohol with concomitant recovery of the auxiliary. Additionally, the adducts could be treated with a nucleophile such as MeMgBr to generate a ketone and return the auxiliary.

Abiko and Masamune showcased this methodology in 1996 through the first synthesis of (+)-siphonarienone (**30**),



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) (1) Tf<sub>2</sub>O, 2,6-*t*Bu<sub>2</sub>pyridine; (2) K-enolate of  $(-)$ -27b, ether, HMPA; (b) LiBH<sub>4</sub>-EtOH, ether; (c) DIBAL-H, ether, 0 °C; (d) ethoxycarbonylethylidenetriphenylphosphorane, toluene, reflux, 3 h; (e) (1) Me3Al, MeNH(OMe)'HCl, benzene, reflux, 2 h; (2) EtMgBr, THF, rt, 2 h.

a marine polyketide-type natural product (Scheme 4).12 This synthesis demonstrated the importance of the use of  $β$ -branched triflates as electrophiles. These electrophiles allow the introduction of fully reduced polypropionate structural units with the desired 1,3-syn relationship. High diastereoselectivities ( $dr > 99:1$ ) accompany the alkylation steps in this synthesis. Although this synthesis relies on the homologation of chiral alcohol **29**, this methodology has been extended to more functionalized alcohols (**31**-**34**) as well.



The use of chiral benzopyranoisoxazolidines was extended in 1996 to the synthesis of axially chiral olefins via an asymmetric Horner-Emmons reaction.<sup>13</sup> Deprotonation of chiral phosphonate **35** using KHMDS and 18-crown-6 provided an anion that readily reacted with a variety of 4-substituted cyclohexanones to afford axially chiral olefins **36** enriched in the *aS* isomer (Scheme 5). Separation of the diastereomers was achieved by either crystallization or chromatography. Cleavage of the chiral auxiliary can be done reductively or nucleophilically to afford alcohols, aldehydes, or ketones, as seen previously with the alkylation chemistry. The high diastereoselectivities reported were based on an anion conformer that minimizes dipole-dipole repulsions and on the bulky nucleophile adding preferentially to the equatorial side of the carbonyl group (Scheme 6).

Banks et al.14 reported using fructose derivative **38** as a chiral auxiliary for several asymmetric reactions in 1998. An intramolecular nitrene insertion reaction was the key step in preparation of **38** from **37** (Scheme 7). Treatment of **38**

#### **Scheme 5**



#### **Scheme 6**





**Scheme 7***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) acetone, conc  $H_2SO_4$ ; (b)  $Cl_2CO$ , pyridine; (c) NaN<sub>3</sub>, TBAB; (d)  $(CHCl<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>$ , reflux; (e) MeMgBr, Et<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C, EtCOCl; (f) NBS, THF,  $-78$  °C; (g) LiOH, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C.

with propionyl chloride afforded **39** in excellent yield. Bromination of **39** using NBS gave better stereoselectivity, and **40** was formed in excellent yield with 96:4 dr. Cleavage of the auxiliary gave desired acid **41** in high yield.

### **3. Ring Opening Reactions**

More work has been published describing the chemistry of 8-aminomenthol (**45**) and its derivatives than any other 1,3-aminoalcohol. This is likely due to their ease of preparation from commercially available (+)-pulegone (**42**) (Scheme 8). In 1987, He and Eliel<sup>15</sup> reported the synthesis of 8-aminomenthol (**45**) in three steps. Conjugate addition of benzylamine to (+)-pulegone (**42**) gave intermediate **<sup>43</sup>**, which was immediately reduced to benzyl derivative **44** in the presence of water to minimize formation and reduction of the imine byproduct. Purification by crystallization of the benzoate or *p*-toluate salt gave diastereomerically pure **44** in 35% yield. Removal of the benzyl protecting group gave aminoalcohol **45** in quantitative yield.

**Scheme 8***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) BnNH<sub>2</sub>; (b) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, 4:1 EtOH/H<sub>2</sub>O; (c) HCO2NH4, 10% Pd/C, MeOH.

In 2001, Pedrosa et al.16 used menthol-based aminoalcohol **45** as a chiral auxiliary for intramolecular alkyllithium addition reactions. Oxazines **46** were prepared by condensation of **45** with a brominated benzaldehyde, reductive opening of the oxazine ring, and then condensation of the resulting aminoalcohol with a second aldehyde (Scheme 9). Treatment of **46a** with *t*BuLi in Et<sub>2</sub>O at  $-90$  °C and then warming to room temperature gave only dehalogenated product, showing that the halogen-metal exchange had been successful but that the resulting aryllithium had not opened the oxazine ring. On the other hand, when  $Et<sub>2</sub>AICI$  was added before warming to room temperature, addition product **46a** was formed. This protocol was applied to remaining oxazines **46** to produce aminoalcohols **47** in good yield (Table 4). In all cases, only one diastereomer of **47** was observed. Cleavage of the auxiliary gave amines **48** in moderate yield. From these amines, several alkaloids were synthesized. Enantiopure (*R*)- *O*-methyllophocerine (**49d**), (*R*)-*O*-methylarmepavine (**38f**), (*R*)-laudanosine (**38g**), and (*R*)-homolaudanosine (**38h**) were prepared by methylation of **48d**,**f**,**g** and **h**, respectively, while enantiopure (*S*)-calycotomine (**50e**) was made by hydrogenolysis of the benzyl group of **48e**.

This chemistry was also used for tandem 6-*exo*-carbolithiation ring opening reactions.17 Oxazines **51** were prepared from **45** in the usual fashion (Scheme 10). Treatment of **51a**, **51g**, or **51h** with *t*BuLi and TMEDA at  $-90$  °C and then warming to room temperature gave only debrominated starting material. Under the same conditions, however, **51b** gave 6-*exo* cyclization product **52b** with 77:23 dr, and **51f** gave **52f** as a single observable diastereomer (Table 5, method A). Cyclization of **51e** also proceeded under these conditions, and elimination of BnOH gave **53e** with 75:25 dr. The reaction conditions were then altered to force cyclization by adding the TMEDA immediately after the *t*BuLi (Table 5, method B). Again, **51a** and **51h** gave only debrominated starting material; however, **51b** gave **54b** as

**Scheme 9***<sup>a</sup>*

**Table 4. Intramolecular Alkyllithium Addition to Oxazines 46 Giving Amines 48**

	oxazine 46 $%$ yield)	addition product 47 $%$ yield)	amine 48 $%$ yield)
a	88	80	71
b	85	78	82
c	86	83	60
d	87	83	61
e	90	77	59
	83	81	55
g	82	79	58
h	86	77	57

the 6-*exo* cyclization was followed by intramolecular opening of the oxazine ring. A single observable diastereomer of **54g** was also formed from **51g** using this method. Finally, TMEDA was removed entirely from the reaction protocol (Table 5, method C). In all cases, double cyclization products **54** were observed as the major diastereomer with minor formation of **55b** and **55h** in two cases.

Pedrosa et al.18 used **44** as a chiral auxiliary for Grignard additions in 1990 and 1996. Instead of the more typical nucleophilic attack on a carbonyl, the oxazine linking the substrate to the auxiliary was opened directly, allowing asymmetric synthesis of amines. Condensation of aldehydes with **<sup>44</sup>** gave thermodynamic diastereomers **<sup>56</sup>**-**64**, in which  $R<sup>1</sup>$  was equatorial (Scheme 11). The oxazine was then opened in an  $S_N$ 2-like reaction by alkyl magnesium bromides, giving **65**. Alkyl magnesium iodides, on the other hand, reacted with retention at the electrophilic carbon, giving alkylation products **66** (Table 6; entries 3 and 10). The diastereoselectivity of these reactions was generally good for reagents other than cPrMgBr and EtMgX, which only worked well in one case (entry 15), and yields ranged from moderate to good. Removal of the auxiliary was achieved by elimination with P2O5 to give diene **67** and amine **68**. The benzyl group of the latter was removed by hydrogenolysis, giving excellent yields of amines **<sup>69</sup>**-**80**. These reactions proceeded without any apparent racemization (Table 6).

Oxazines **<sup>57</sup>** and **<sup>59</sup>**-**<sup>64</sup>** were also treated with Me3Al to give similar addition products, and cleavage of the auxiliary by the same method gave chiral amines **<sup>69</sup>**-**71**, **<sup>74</sup>**, and **<sup>81</sup>**- **83** (Table 7).18 Whereas the Grignard reagents reacted with inversion at the reacting carbon, the stereochemistry at that center was retained using Me<sub>3</sub>Al. Thus, MeMgBr and Me<sub>3</sub>-Al were complementary reagents giving opposite enantiomers of amine using the same auxiliary.



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) 2-bromobenzaldehyde or 2-bromo-4,5-dimethylbenzaldehyde, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt; (b) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, Et<sub>2</sub>O·BF<sub>3</sub>, THF, rt; (c) R<sup>2</sup>CHO, 120  $^{\circ}C$ ; (d) *tBuLi* (2.2 equiv), Et<sub>2</sub>O, -90  $^{\circ}C$ ; (e) Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl, -90  $^{\circ}C$  to rt; (f) PCC; (g) KOH, MeOH, THF; (h) dimethylcarbonate, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; (i) LiAIH<sub>4</sub>, Et<sub>2</sub>O; (j)  $H<sub>2</sub>$ , Pd(OH) $<sub>2</sub>/C$ , EtOH.</sub>



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) 2-bromobenzaldehyde,  $CH_2Cl_2$ , rt; (b)  $R^2R^3C=CR^1CH_2Br$ ,  $K_2CO_3$ , MeCN; (c)  $R^2R^3C=CR^1CHO$ ,  $CH_2Cl_2$ , rt; (d) NaBH4, EtOH; (e) 2-bromobenzaldehyde, 120 °C; (f) (method A) *t*BuLi (2.2 equiv), Et<sub>2</sub>O,  $-90$  °C, 5 min, then TMEDA (2 equiv), then warm to rt over 30 min; (g) (method B)  $t$ BuLi (2.2 equiv), TMEDA (2 equiv), Et<sub>2</sub>O,  $-90$  °C, then warm to rt, 15 h; (h) (method C) *t*BuLi (2.2 equiv), Et<sub>2</sub>O,  $-90$  °C, then warm to rt, 0.3-24 h.

**Table 5. Intramolecular Alkyllithium Opening of Oxazines 51 to Cyclized Products 52**-**<sup>54</sup>**

oxazine 51 (vield, %)	lithiation procedure <sup>a</sup>	major product	yield (% )	dr
a(88)	C	54a	80	$\geq 98:2$
$b (91)$	A	52b	98	77:23
$b (91)$	В	54b	97	77:23
$b (91)$	C	54b	90	76:24
c(89)	C	54c	5	$\geq 98:2$
d(63)	C	54d	35	$\geq 98:2$
e(65)	А	53e	66	75:25
f(72)	A	52f	45	$\geq 98:2$
g(74)	В	54g	81	$\geq 98:2$
g(74)	C	54g	95	$\geq 98:2$
h(72)	C	54h	69	87:13
	<sup><i>a</i></sup> For procedures, see Scheme 10.			

# **4. Addition Reactions to Carbonyls**

### **4.1. Hydride Reductions**

"Darvon alcohol"<sup>19</sup> (+)-84 was reacted with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> to generate chiral reducing agents **85** (Scheme 12). First to perform this reaction were Yamaguchi et al.,<sup>20</sup> who used 85 to reduce acetophenone (**86a**) to **87a** in 1972. Reaction with fresh reagent in Et<sub>2</sub>O at  $-65$  °C gave (*R*)-87a (88:12 er) quantitatively after 3 min whereas reaction with reagent that had been stirred overnight gave (*S*)-**87a** (83:17 er) with 40% conversion. Similar results were observed for reduction of other ketones although the enantioselectivity was not as good (Table 8). While some of the change in enantioselectivity was attributed to an increase in reaction homogeneity, the authors were unable to fully explain this unusual phenomenon. They postulated the existence of a rapidly formed *R*-selective reagent which could be converted to a more stable *S*-selective reagent over time. It should be noted that



**Scheme 11***<sup>a</sup>*

*a* Reagents and conditions: (a)  $R^1CHO$ ,  $PhH$ ,  $reflux$ ,  $3-10$  h; (b)  $R^2MgX$ , rt, 2 h; (c) P<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>, PhMe, reflux, 90 min; (d) H<sub>2</sub> (1 atm), 5% Pd/C, rt, 4-10 h.

**Table 6. Synthesis of Amines 69**-**80 by Addition of Grignard Reagents to Oxazines 56**-**<sup>64</sup>**

entry	sm	$R^2MgX(R^2)$	vield (%)	65:66	amine	vield (% )	er
1	56	PhMgBr	98	94:6	69	98	94:6(S)
$\overline{c}$	56	EtMgBr	85	65:35	70	94	64:36(S)
3	56	EtMgI	86	41:59	70	92	58:42 $(R)$
4	56	iPrMgBr	62	95:5	71	92	>99:1(S)
5	56	$c$ -Pr $MgBr$	96	59:41	72	67	>99:1(S)
6	56	$c$ -C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> MgBr	81	98:2	73	96	98:2(S)
7	56	CyMgBr	77	88:12	74	94	>99:1(S)
8	56	$c$ -C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>15</sub> MgBr	67	90:10	75	92	90:10(S)
9	57	PrMgBr	80	94:6	76	93	94:6(S)
10	57	MeMgI	89	9:91	70	94	90:10(S)
11	57	$c$ -Pr $MgBr$	95	67:33	77	61	>99:1(S)
12	57	$c$ -C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub> MgBr	79	100:0	78	92	>99:1(S)
13	57	CvMgBr	78	100:0	79	93	>99:1(S)
14	57	$c$ -C <sub>7</sub> H <sub>15</sub> MgBr	58	93:7	80	92	>99:1(S)
15	58	EtMgBr	83	92:8	76	92	92:8(R)
16	59	EtMgBr	60	60:40	79	93	60:40(R)

*N*-methyl ephedrine has been used to generate a similar chiral reducing agent that provides higher selectivities for the reduction of aryl ketones.<sup>21</sup>

Five years later, Brinkmeyer and Kapoor<sup>19</sup> used this methodology to asymmetrically reduce acetylenic ketones **88** to propargylic alcohols **89** (Scheme 13). This chemistry was applied to the asymmetric synthesis of  $11\alpha$ -hydroxyprogesterone, a key intermediate in commercial production of hydrocortisone acetate.22 Asymmetric reduction of **88g** using **85** (generated *in situ*) gave cyclization precursor **89g**, in which the key chiral center at C-11 has been set.

In 1980, Cohen et al. $2<sup>3</sup>$  expanded upon this work in their studies toward asymmetric synthesis of Vitamin E. They too prepared **<sup>85</sup>** from (+)-**<sup>84</sup>** and used it to reduce acetylenic ketones **<sup>90</sup>**-**<sup>93</sup>** (Table 9). In most cases, they were able to obtain propargylic alcohols **<sup>94</sup>**-**<sup>97</sup>** with modest to good enantiomeric ratios (er: 82:18 to 95:5); however, the reduction of  $(+)$ -93 did not fare as well. Applying the strategy of matched and mismatched pairs, Cohen et al. took

**Table 7. Synthesis of Amines 69**-**71, 74, and 81**-**83 by Reaction of Oxazines 57 and 59**-**64 with Me3Al**



**Scheme 12**



**Table 8. Asymmetric Reduction of Ketones 86 to Alcohols 87 Using Reducing Agent 85**



note of the fact that its enantiomer  $(-)$ -93 gave the best selectivity observed. As such, they prepared *ent*-85 from  $(-)$ -**<sup>84</sup>**, and sure enough, it reduced (+)-**<sup>93</sup>** with 95:5 er and 96% yield. They also prepared chiral reducing agents from 1,3 aminoalcohols  $98-102$  and LiAlH<sub>4</sub>;<sup>23</sup> however, reduction of  $90$  using these reagents gave no better than  $68.32$  er **90** using these reagents gave no better than 68:32 er.

Aminoalcohol **103** was used in 1999 as a chiral ligand for ketone reduction.<sup>24</sup> Complexation of  $103$  with BH<sub>3</sub> gave **104**, which was used *in situ* to catalyze reduction of ketones **86** to alcohols **87** (Scheme 14). Increasing reaction temper-



89g (95%, 92:8 er, R)

ature from 0 to 50 °C improved the er of **87a** from 58:42 to 94:6, and ketones **86f**-**<sup>h</sup>** were thus reduced at elevated temperature.25



## **4.2. Aldol Reactions**

**88g** 

In 1992, camphor derivative **103** was also used as a chiral auxiliary for aldol<sup>26</sup> reactions by first conversion into oxazinone **13a** (Scheme 15). Treatment of **13a** with TiCl- (O*i*Pr)3 generated *Z*-enolates which were quenched with a variety of aldehydes to give aldol products **105a**-**<sup>f</sup>** with excellent diastereoselectivity.26

Similarly, oxazinone **108** was used as a chiral auxiliary for the aldol reaction in 1997.<sup>27</sup> Nitrene **107** was generated from **106**, and intramolecular insertion reactions resulted in a 1:1 mixture of **108** and **109**, allowing isolation of **108** in 36% yield (Scheme 16). Treatment of the corresponding propionamide 110 with Bu<sub>2</sub>BOTf and quenching the resulting enolate with benzaldehyde gave *syn* aldol product **111** as a single diastereomer (Scheme 17). Use of excess  $Bu<sub>2</sub>BOTf$ was also investigated in an attempt to prepare *anti* aldol product **112**; however, **113** was isolated instead. This was attributed to an intramolecular opening of the cyclic carbamate by the newly formed alcohol. Interestingly, treatment of **111** with excess Bu2BOTf also gave **113** due to either a retroaldol-aldol sequence or epimerization followed by rearrangement.

Banks and co-workers<sup>28</sup> in 1994 used gulonic acid derivative **115** as a chiral auxiliary for asymmetric aldol reactions. An intramolecular nitrene insertion reaction was the key step in preparation of **115** from **114**, and treatment with propionyl

**Table 9. Asymmetric Reduction of Ketones 90**-**93 with 85 to Alcohols 94**-**<sup>97</sup>**







chloride then afforded amide **116** (Scheme 18). Reaction of **116** with LDA at  $-78$  °C generated the enolate, which was quenched with benzaldehyde to give **117** in 88% yield with 91:9 dr. The minor diastereomer was the other *syn* product; no *anti* product was observed. Reductive cleavage of the auxiliary from **117** gave alcohol **118** in moderate yield.





 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a)  $\left(\text{Cl}_3\text{CO}\right)_2\text{CO}$ ,  $\left[\text{OH}\right]$ ; (b) *n*BuLi, EtCOCl; (c) LDA, -78 °C; (d) TiCl(O*i*Pr)3 (3 equiv), -<sup>45</sup> °C; (e) RCHO (2 equiv),  $-78$  °C.

#### **Scheme 16***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) BnEt<sub>3</sub>NCl, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O, rt.





*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) EtMgBr, then EtCOCl, THF, -78 °C; (b) Bu<sub>2</sub>BOTf, *i*Pr<sub>2</sub>NEt, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C; (c) PhCHO, Ch<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C; (d) Bu<sub>2</sub>BOTf (2.2 equiv), *i*Pr<sub>2</sub>NEt, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C.

Four years later, Banks' group<sup>14</sup> reported fructose derivative **39** as a chiral auxiliary for aldol reactions (Scheme 19). LDA was used to generate the enolate, and quenching with benzaldehyde gave **119** in good yield with 89:11 dr. The minor diastereomer was the other *syn* product; no *anti* product was observed. Cleavage of the auxiliary gave acid **120** in high yield.

### **4.3. Nucleophilic Addition to Carbonyls**

It has been demonstrated that aminoalcohol  $(+)$ -84 can be treated with LiAlnBu<sub>4</sub> to make chiral alkylating agent **121** (Scheme 20). In 1980, Abenhaïm et al.<sup>29</sup> reacted **122** with **121** in hexanes at 0 °C to give **123** with up to 72:28 er. Preparation of **121** by reacting **84** with *n*BuLi followed by *n*Bu<sub>3</sub>Al gave the same result. While the enantioselectivity of this reaction left something to be desired, it is worth noting that **84** was more successful as a ligand than (-)-*N*-methyl ephedrine.

Five years later, Abenhaïm et al. improved greatly on the selectivity of this reaction.<sup>30</sup> Changing the lithium alkyl aluminate to LiAl*i*Bu<sub>3</sub> affected the enantioselective addition of an isobutyl group to  $\alpha$ -ketoester 122 (Scheme 21). Compound **124** was generated in 95% yield with 93:7 er. To our knowledge, there have been no other reports of

**Scheme 18***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) LiAIH<sub>4</sub>, THF, 0 °C; (b) Cl<sub>2</sub>CO (3 equiv), pyridine, PhMe, Et<sub>2</sub>O; (c) NaN<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), TBAB, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O; (d) (CHCl<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, reflux; (e) *n*BuLi, hexanes, THF, -78 °C, EtCOCl; (f) LDA, THF,  $-78$  °C, PhCHO; (g) LiBH<sub>4</sub>, THF, H<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C.

#### **Scheme 19***<sup>a</sup>*



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) LDA, THF, 0 °C, PhCHO; (b) LiOH,  $H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>$ , 0 °C.

#### **Scheme 20***<sup>a</sup>*



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) hexanes; (b) **121** (1.05 equiv), LiAl*n*Bu4 (1.05 equiv), hexanes.

### **Scheme 21**



enantioselective additions of lithium alkyl aluminates to  $\alpha$ -ketoesters.

Aminoalcohol **44** has been condensed with phenylglyoxal to give oxazine **125a** in 77% yield (Scheme 22).15 As such, **125a** was used as a chiral auxiliary for addition of various nucleophiles to its ketone functionality. In all cases, just one diastereomer of addition product **126** was observed by <sup>1</sup> H and 13C NMR. Hydrolysis of the oxazine with dilute acid cleaved the auxiliary, and the resulting  $\alpha$ -hydroxyaldehyde was oxidized to  $\alpha$ -hydroxyacid 127. No loss of optical purity was observed for **127b**-**d**; however, **127a** and **127e** showed



**Scheme 22***<sup>a</sup>*

<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) PhCOCHO; (b) RMgBr (R=Me, Et, 1-naphthyl or CCH); (c) MeLi; (d) NaBH<sub>4</sub>; (e) 1% HCl<sub>(aq)</sub>, EtOH; (f) NaCIO<sub>2</sub>.

Table 10. Preparation of α-Hydroxyacids 127 from Auxiliary **125a**

nucleophile	temp $(^{\circ}C)$	product 127	yield $(\% )$	er
MeMgBr	20	h	44	99:1(S)
MeMgBr	$-70$	b	not reported	99:1(S)
MeL <sub>i</sub>	$-70$	b	47	97:3(S)
EtMgBr	5	c	77	≥99:1(S)
$HC = CMgBr$	20	d	63	99:1(S)
$1-Np-MgBr$	20	e	23	91:9(R)
NaBH <sub>4</sub>	5	a	48	90:10(S)

somewhat diminished values for ee (Table 10). This was attributed to partial racemization during the cleavage process.

In an expansion of this work, Eliel and  $He^{31}$  reported the syntheses of oxazines **125b**-**<sup>e</sup>** in 1990 via an indirect approach, since the method used to prepare **125a** was not general (Scheme 23). Again, various nucleophiles were added to **<sup>125</sup>**, giving products **<sup>131</sup>**-**134**. Replacing the Ph group of **125a** with various alkyl groups resulted in reduced diastereoselectivity (Table 11, entries  $1-6$ ) even when the alkyl group was the sterically similar *i*Pr (entry 6). Given that similar diastereoselectivity was obtained when  $R = iPr$ and when  $R = H$ , sterics at that site did not appear to play a key role in controlling the direction of addition of MeMgBr to the carbonyl carbon (entries 6 and 7). As a bonus, exchanging the R and R′ groups allowed access to enantiomeric pairs of cleavage products using only one enantiomer of the chiral auxiliary.

Eliel and He also reported $31$  preparation of 8-methylaminomenthol (**139**, Scheme 24), from which ketone **140** was made. Reaction of **140** with nucleophiles was slightly less selective than the corresponding benzylated system (**125a**, Scheme 22), giving **127b** with 96:4 er (MeMgBr) or 98:2 er (MeLi) upon hydrolysis of the auxiliary. The yields of  $\alpha$ -hydroxyacid were low (26-30%), which appeared to be an ongoing problem with the cleavage or oxidation protocol.

In 1984, Wade et al. reported that the addition of organometallic reagents (specifically organolithium and Grignard reagents) to 3-acylisoxazolines<sup>32</sup> could be achieved with high diastereoselectivity and an interesting metal dependent selectivity.33 When ketones **141a** and **141b** were reacted with an excess of the organometallic compound, they provided diastereomeric alcohols **142a** and **142b**, respectively (Table 12). Diastereofacial selectivity is highly metal dependent with these compounds. Grignard reagents react with 3-acylisoxazolines via an s-*cis* conformation **143** brought



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) MeOCH(OH)CO<sub>2</sub>Me; (b) NaDMSO; (c) Al-Hg; (d) excess NaDMSO, MeI (1 equiv), then Al-Hg; (e) excess NaDMSO, excess MeI, then Al-Hg; (f) Vitride, PhMe; (g) DMSO, TFAA, Et<sub>3</sub>N.

#### Table 11. Preparation of α-Hydroxyoxazines 131-134 from **Oxazines 125b**-**<sup>e</sup>**



**Scheme 24**









conditions: (a) 3 equiv R<sup>2</sup>Li, THF, -78°C (b) 3 equiv R<sup>1</sup>MgBr, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78°C



about by magnesium chelation whereas organolithium reagents react with the free s-*trans* conformer **144** (Figure 1). In both cases, the nucleophile approaches the carbonyl carbon *anti* to the substituent at the 4-position of the ring. When the 4-position is free of substitutents, no diastereoselection is observed. In a later report, the reductions of these carbonyl compounds were also realized although the reductions were



**Figure 1.** (A) Approach of Grignard reagents on the s-*cis* bound conformer **143**. (B) Approach of organolithium reagents on the free s-*trans* conformer **144**.





limited to the use of 9-BBN, as it provided the highest diastereoselection ( $\geq$ 92:8 dr).<sup>34</sup>

**e** THF, CsF **e** (>50: <1) **e** (95)<br> **f** THF, CsF **f** (>50: <1) **f** (94)  $f(>=50:-1)$ 

Pedrosa et al. recently (2006) described an efficient synthesis of enantioenriched trifluoromethylated aldehydes **147b**, 1,2-diols **148a,c**, and 1,2-aminoalcohols **149a,c**-**<sup>f</sup>** by diastereoselective addition of  $TMSCF_3$  to 2-acyl-1,3-perhydrobenzoxazines **145a**-**<sup>f</sup>** (Table 13, Scheme 25).35 Treatment of  $145a - f$  with TMSCF<sub>3</sub> in the presence of CsF gave **146a**-**<sup>f</sup>** with dr's ranging from 96:4 to >99:1 and yields ranging from 90 to 96% (Table 13). It should be noted that using TBAF catalytically resulted in lower yields and dr's. The chiral auxiliary was removed via three procedures, giving R-hydroxyaldehyde **147b**, 1,2-diols **148a,c**, or 1,2-aminoalcohols **149a,c**-**<sup>f</sup>** (Scheme 25).

8-Aminomenthol derivatives have also been used as ligands for asymmetric dialkylzinc addition to aldehydes. Specifically, Pedrosa et al.<sup>36</sup> prepared ferrocenyl derivatives **150a**, **150b**, and **151** in good yield from **45** (Scheme 26). None of these compounds were effective ligands on their own; however, when pretreated with MeMgBr, the results

#### **Scheme 25***<sup>a</sup>*



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) 2% HCl/EtOH, reflux, 1 h; (b) NaBH4, EtOH,  $0^{\circ}$ C, 1.5 h; (c) AIH<sub>3</sub>, THF,  $-10^{\circ}$ C to rt; (d) PCC, DCM; (e) NaOH.

#### **Scheme 26***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) ferrocenecarboxaldehyde, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt; (b) ferrocenylCH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>3</sub>I, K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, reflux; (c) MeMgBr, PhH, rt; (d) BnBr,  $K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>$ , MeCN, reflux; (e) DIBAL-H, PhMe, 0 °C.

#### **Scheme 27**



were much better. Ligands **150a** and **b** both gave excellent yields of **153a** with moderate enantioselectivity (75:25 er for both ligands) while ligand **151** gave **153a** in good yield with 98:2 er. Given this success, **151** was used to catalyze  $Et<sub>2</sub>Zn$  addition to a variety of aliphatic, aromatic, and organometallic aldehydes **152a**-**g**, giving alcohols **153a**-**<sup>g</sup>** with 80:20 to 98:2 er (Scheme 27).

In 1988, Oppolzer and Radinov<sup>37</sup> used camphor-derived aminoalcohol **157a** as a chiral ligand for the addition of vinyl2Zn to aldehydes. At the time, this was a significant advancement, as only Me<sub>2</sub>Zn and Et<sub>2</sub>Zn had been added to aldehydes with greater than 95:5 er. Formation of the acid chloride of  $154$  and substitution with MeHN( $CH<sub>2</sub>$ )<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub> gave amide **155a** (Scheme 28). Selective reduction of the





<sup>a</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) SOCl<sub>2</sub>, pyridine, rt; (b) PhH, MeHN(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>-NMe2, 0 °C; (c) PhH, *i*Pr2NH, 0 °C; (d) NaBH4, MeOH; (e) LiAIH4, THF.

#### **Table 14. Aminoalcohol-Catalyzed Dialkylzinc Addition to Aldehydes 152**



**Scheme 29***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) acetone,  $H_2SO_4$ , CuSO<sub>4</sub>; (b) 0.2% HCl<sub>(aq)</sub>; (c) *p*TsCl, pyridine, CHCl3; (d) R2NH.

ketone with NaBH4 in MeOH gave *exo* alcohol **156a**, and subsequent reduction with LiAlH4 gave *exo* alcohol **157a**. Similarly, 156b and 157b were obtained using *iPr*<sub>2</sub>NH. When **156b** and **157b** were used as ligands for the addition of  $Et_2$ -Zn to benzaldehyde (**152a**), the yields were low due to incomplete conversion. On the other hand, complete conversion was observed using aminoalcohol **157a** (Table 14). As good enantioselectivity was also observed, **157a** was then used as a ligand for addition of  $nPr_2Zn$  to 152a and of vinyl<sub>2</sub>-Zn to a variety of aldehydes. Yields and ee both varied from 82 to 96%, and it was noted that increasing the ligand loading increased the enantioselectivity of the reaction.

In 1994, Cho and Kim38 prepared aminoalcohols **162** from  $\alpha$ -D-xylose (161) and used them as ligands for asymmetric Et<sub>2</sub>Zn addition reactions (Scheme 29). For addition to benzaldehyde (**152a**), **162j** offered the best chiral induction, giving **153a** with 98:2 er (Scheme 30). This ligand was therefore used for Et2Zn addition to aldehydes **152c** and **152h**-**n**, giving alcohols **153c,h**-**<sup>n</sup>** in good yield with good to excellent enantioselectivity.

**Scheme 30**

0	162j (5 mol %)	QH	
R	H	Et <sub>2</sub> Zn, PhMe, rt	R
52a R=Ph	153a 90%, 98:2 er, R		
52a R= $pClC_6H_4$	153a 91%, 94:6 er, R		
52h R=Me(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>5</sub>	153h 95%, 87:13 er, R		
52l R=Cy	153i 88%, 98:2 er, R		
52l R=OMeC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub>	153j 88%, 90:10 er, R		
52l R=1-naphthyl	153l 90%, 93:7 er, R		
52m R= $pCl$ h (CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	153m 86%, 90:10 er, R		
52m R=Ph(CH <sub>2</sub> ) <sub>2</sub>	153m 96%, 97:3 er, R		

#### **Scheme 31***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) Ac<sub>2</sub>O, DMSO; (b) Me<sub>2</sub>CBrCN, Zn, THF; (c) LiAIH4, THF; (d) MeI, K2CO3, MeCN; (e) 2-methylpyridine, PhLi, THF; (f) *N,N*-dimethylaniline, *n*BuLi, TMEDA, THF.

Table 15. Asymmetric Addition of Et<sub>2</sub>Zn to 152a Catalyzed by **Complexes 164**-**<sup>166</sup>**

ΟН <b>164-166</b> (5 mol%), Et <sub>2</sub> Zn, PhMe, rt Et н			
152a		153a	
catalyst	yield $(\%)$	er	
164	96	78:22(R)	
165	97	85:15(R)	
166	92	71:29(S)	

Brocard et al.<sup>39</sup> used aminoalcohol arene-chromium complexes **<sup>164</sup>**-**<sup>166</sup>** as chiral ligands for alkylzinc addition reactions in 1996. These complexes were prepared in 30- 40% yield by oxidation of optically pure **163** and nucleophilic attack at the resulting ketone (Scheme 31). Addition of Et2-Zn to benzaldehyde (**152a**) catalyzed by these chromium complexes proceeded with moderate to good enantioselectivity, with **165** giving the greatest asymmetric induction (85:15 er, Table 15). For comparison, the uncomplexed aminoalcohols gave little to no enantioselectivity. It was also noteworthy that complex **166** gave the opposite enantiomer of **153a** than **164** and **165**.

Costa and de Oliveira recently reported (2004) the synthesis of  $(+)$ - and  $(-)$ -*syn*-1,3-aminoalcohols **167a**-**e** as well as their use as catalysts in the enantioselective addition of diethyl zinc to benzaldehyde (Scheme 32).40 Moderate to excellent enantioselectivities (77:23 to 95:5 er) were reported (Table 16). The configuration of the carbon bearing the hydroxyl moiety was found to influence the absolute stereochemistry of 1-phenylpropanol. At 20 mol % loading, catalyst (-)-**167c** was found to be the most efficient, giving (*S*)-1 phenylpropanol in 99% yield and 95:5 er (entry 5, Table 16).

**Scheme 32**



Table 16. Addition of Et<sub>2</sub>Zn to Benzaldehyde 152a Catalyzed by **Aminoalcohols 167a**-**<sup>e</sup>**





Finally, Kunz and Pees<sup>41</sup> in 1989 reported 1,4-addition of Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl to 168. Reaction of 168 with 2 equiv of Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl at -<sup>80</sup> °C gave **<sup>169</sup>** in good yield with 87:13 dr (Scheme 33).

# **5. Pericyclic Reactions**

## **5.1. Diels**−**Alder Reactions**

An example of a cyclohexane-based 1,3-aminoalcohol as a source of chirality was reported by Corey et al.<sup>42</sup> in 1996. Lewis acid **173** was prepared *in situ* from aminoalcohol **172**, which was in turn was prepared by diastereoselective reduction of  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated ester 170, removal of the chiral auxiliary, and substitution of the heteroatoms (Scheme 34). Pretreatment of Lewis acid 173 with AgB $[3,5-(CF_3)_2C_6H_3]_4$ encouraged dissociation of bromide from the boron, giving a more active catalyst (method B) than when no silver salt was included in catalyst formation (method A). When performing Diels-Alder reactions on the highly reactive cyclopentadiene (**174**), this pretreatment was not necessary to get high yields or enantioselectivity (Table 17). Less reactive dienes **<sup>175</sup>**-**177**, however, did not react using method A but gave excellent yields of adducts **<sup>188</sup>**-**<sup>190</sup>** using method B. In all cases, the adducts were formed with greater than 90:10 er.

Previously discussed aminoalcohol **45** has also been used as a chiral auxiliary for intramolecular Diels-Alder reactions of furan dienes (IMDAF reactions). The first example involved using acrylamide dienophiles.<sup>43</sup> Condensation of **45** with 3-furaldehyde followed by acylation with acryloyl chloride gave acrylamide **<sup>195</sup>** but no Diels-Alder adduct (Scheme 35). Repetition of this procedure using 2-furaldehyde, however, did not allow isolation of acrylamide **191a**. Instead, a mixture of the two *exo* Diels-Alder adducts **192a** and **193a** was obtained (Table 18). The product ratio and,

**Scheme 34***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub>, MeCN, AcOH, 0 °C (81% de); (b) NaOtBu, tBuOH, THF, rt; (c) LiBH<sub>4</sub>, THF, reflux; (d) Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub>/C, H2 (300 psi), MeOH; (e) Ba(OH)2, 3,5-dimethylbenzyl bromide, EtOH, reflux; (f) TMSCI, DMAP; (g) BBr<sub>3</sub>; (h) (method A) 173, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -94  $^{\circ}$ C, then add dienophile, then add diene,  $-94$   $^{\circ}$ C, 1 h; (i) (method B) 173, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -94 °C, then add AgB[3,5-(CF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>3</sub>]<sub>4</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, then add dienophile, then add diene,  $-94$  °C, 1 h.

**Table 17. Diels**-**Alder Reactions Catalyzed by Lewis Acid 173**

				yield <sup>b</sup>		
sm	sm	method <sup>a</sup>	product	(% )	exolendo <sup>c</sup>	er
178	174	A	183	99	94:6	98:2 $(2R)^d$
178	174	в	183	99	91:9	99:1 $(2R)^d$
179	174	A	184	99	88:12	95:5 $(2S)^d$
179	174	В	184	98	89:11	94:6 $(2S)^d$
180	174	A	185	99	>98:2	$95:5^{d,e}$
180	174	В	185	99	>98:2	$98:2$ <sup>d,e</sup>
181	174	A	186	88	>98:2	$95:5$ d,e
181	174	В	186	97	>98:2	$95:5$ d,e
182	174	A	187	99	>98:2	$98.2^{c,d}$
182	174	B	187	97	>98:2	$91:9$ d,e
178	175	в	188	99	4:96	97:3 $(2R)^d$
178	176	В	189	99	n/a	97:3e
178	177	B	190	99	n/a	98:2(R)

*<sup>a</sup>* For methods, see Scheme 34. *<sup>b</sup>* Isolated yield of *exo* + *endo* mixture. *<sup>c</sup>* Determined by <sup>1</sup> H NMR. *<sup>d</sup>* Determined by reduction to the primary alcohol (NaBH<sub>4</sub>), conversion to the Mosher ester, and <sup>1</sup>H NMR. *<sup>e</sup>* Absolute stereochemistry of product not reported.

indeed, the major product depended on the solvent used for the acylation reaction. In  $CH_2Cl_2$ , 192a was the major product (69:31 dr), but in hexanes, **193a** was the major product (78:22 dr). Use of a Lewis acid allowed the IMDAF reaction to proceed at lower temperature, improving the diastereoselectivity, and *in situ* addition of Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl to 191a in CH<sub>2</sub>- $Cl<sub>2</sub>$  gave **192a** with 85:15 dr. This was also true for crotonamide **191b** and methacrylamide **191c**, which gave **192b** and **192c**, respectively, with 81:19 dr when treated with Et2AlCl. Chromatographic separation of **192** and **193** followed by cleavage of the auxiliary (vide supra) allowed isolation of  $(+)$ - and  $(-)$ -194 in 66-74% yield.

In 2005, Pedrosa et al. expanded on the use of chiral auxiliary **44** in IMDAF reactions by inserting a phenyl group as a linker between the chiral auxiliary **44** and the furan (Scheme 36).44 This strategy provided the *exo* adducts



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) 3-furaldehyde or 2-furaldehyde, PhH, rt; (b) acryloyl chloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, 0 °C; (c) crotonyl chloride, pyridine, 0 °C; (d) methacryloyl chloride, TMEDA, 0 °C; (e) LiAIH<sub>4</sub> (5 equiv), AlCl<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), THF,  $-10$  °C; (f) PCC; (g) KOH, MeOH, THF, rt.

**Table 18. IMDAF Reaction of Acrylamides 191 Giving 192 and 193**

sm 191	solvent	LA (equiv)	temp (°C)	vield (% )	192:193
a	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	none	20	96	69:31
a	hexanes	none	20	96	22:78
a	hexanes	Et <sub>2</sub> AICI (2.0)	$-23$	96	80:20
a	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	Et <sub>2</sub> AICI (2.0)	$-23$	96	85:15
b	hexanes	none	20	82	24:76
b	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	Et <sub>2</sub> AICI (2.0)	$-23$	83	81:19
c	hexanes	none	20	89	45:55
c	CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub>	Et <sub>2</sub> AICI (2.0)	$-23$	92	81:19



**198a**-**<sup>d</sup>** and **199a**-**<sup>d</sup>** as single diastereomers in the IMDAF reactions (Table 19). In all cases, except for the reaction of **196** with acryloyl chloride, isoindolone **200** and **201** were isolated in  $10-15\%$  yields. The advantage of this sequence over previous work (Scheme 35) is that it allowed for the recovery of chiral auxiliary **44** since it could be removed easily by hydrolysis with 2% HCl in EtOH after hydrogena-

**Table 19. IMDAF Reactions with 196 and 197 Containing a Phenyl Linker**

sm	acyl chloride	amide time(h)	<b>IMDAF</b> time(h)	pdt	yield $(\%)$
196	acryloyl	5	24	198a	55
196	methacryloyl	115	48	198b	33
196	crotonoyl	0.25	36	198c	37
196	cinnamoyl	0.25	24	198d	35
197	acryloyl	16	48	199a	73
197	methacryloyl	120	48	199 <b>b</b>	49
197	crotonoyl	0.25	48	199c	51
197	cinnamoyl	24	24	199d	36

**Scheme 37***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a)  $H_2C=CHCH_2CH_2Br$ ,  $K_2CO_3$ , PhMe, reflux; (b) 2-furaldehyde, reflux, 4 days; (c)  $LiAlH<sub>4</sub>$  (5 equiv),  $AlCl<sub>3</sub>$  (2 equiv), THF,  $-10$  °C; (d) PCC; (e) KOH, MeOH, THF; (f) Me<sub>3</sub>Al, PhMe, rt; (g) PtO<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>, EtOH; (h) Et<sub>3</sub>Al, PhMe, rt.

tion of the double bond in the oxabicyclo rings of compounds **198** and **199** and removal of the benzyl group.

In addition to their work with acrylamides, Pedrosa et al. studied IMDAF reactions using unactivated dienophiles. In 1998, they reported<sup>45</sup> the synthesis of enantiopure substituted decahydroisoquinolines via this method. Alkylation of **45** followed by condensation with neat 2-furaldehyde gave a 9:1 mixture of **203a** and **203b** via intermediate **202** (Scheme 37). Chromatographic separation of the diastereomers gave **203a**, which, upon cleavage of the auxiliary, could be converted to epoxyisoquinoline **204** or **205** or decahydroisoquinolines **206** or **207**. Minor diastereomer **203b** could be used to prepare the opposite enantiomers of **<sup>204</sup>**-**207**.

In 2000, Pedrosa et al.<sup>46</sup> reported the synthesis of enantiopure substituted tetrahydroepoxy-isoindolines via similar chemistry. Alkylation of **45** followed by condensation with 2-furaldehyde gave intermediate amine **208**, which immediately underwent IMDAF reactions to give adducts **209** and **210** (Table 20). The diastereoselectivity for reactions of **208a**-**<sup>c</sup>** was 94%, and **208d** gave only one observable diastereomer. After purification of the major diastereomer 209a-d, cleavage of the auxiliary (vide supra) allowed access to enantiopure tetrahydroepoxyisoindolines **211** or **212** (Scheme 38). The IMDAF reaction of **213a**-**<sup>d</sup>** was not as diastereoselective and provided mixtures of **<sup>214</sup>** and **215ad**, but chromatography allowed for separation of the diastereomers of the product (Table 21). Cleavage of the auxiliary (vide supra) then provided enantiopure tetrahydroepoxyisoindoline **211**, **216**, or **217**. The latter two compounds were formed as a separable mixture of diastereomers (Scheme 39).

Intramolecular Diels-Alder reactions using an acyclic diene were also reported (Table 22). $43$  While ring strain

**Table 20. IMDAF Reaction of Amines 208 Giving 209 and 210**

208a R <sup>1</sup> =R <sup>2</sup> =H 208b $R^1=H$ , $R^2=Me$ 208c $R^1$ =Me, $R^2$ =H 208d $R^1 = H$ , $R^2 = Ph$		209a-d R 210a-c
amine 208	yield $(\%)$	products (ratio, %)
a	93	209a(97), 210a(3)
b	80	209b(97), 210b(3)
c	60	209c(97), 210c(3)
d	50	209d (100)

**Scheme 38***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) LiAIH<sub>4</sub> (5 equiv), AlCl<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), THF,  $-10$  °C; (b) PCC, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; (c) KOH, MeOH, THF; (d) Me<sub>3</sub>Al, PhMe, rt.

**Table 21. IMDAF Reaction of Amines 213 Giving 214 and 215**

213a R <sup>1</sup> =R <sup>2</sup> =H 213b $R^1$ =H, $R^2$ =Me 213c $R^1$ =Me, $R^2$ =H 213d $R^1 = H$ , $R^2 = Ph$	$R^2$	$R^2$ R $\sqrt{\sum_{n=1}^{n}$ 214a-d $R_{\rm F}^2$ R 215a-d
amine 213	yield $(\%)$	products (ratio, %)
a	96	214a(90), 215a(10)
b	80	214b(77), 215b(23)
c	85	214c(91), 215c(9)
d	73	214d (86), 215d (14)

prevented formation of any *endo* adducts in the IMDAF reactions (Scheme 35), this was not the case for acrylamide **218**, which gave a mixture of *exo* diastereomers **219** and **220** and *endo* diastereomers **221** and **222**. Adding Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl altered the distribution of diastereomers but did not improve the *exo*/*endo* ratio. The diastereoselectivity of the *exo* products was increased to 67% de, but there was no significant increase in the diastereoselectivity of the *endo* products.

By switching to styrene-type dienes **223**, the use of this chiral auxiliary was extended to the synthesis of enantiopure 3a,4,9,9a-tetrahydrobenz[*f*]isoindolines **229**. <sup>47</sup> These targets were chosen because the skeleton is common to several

**Scheme 39***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) LiAIH<sub>4</sub> (5 equiv), AlCl<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), THF,  $-10$  °C; (b) PCC, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; (c) KOH, MeOH, THF; (d) Me<sub>3</sub>Al, PhMe, rt; (e) MeMgl,  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$ , rt.

#### **Table 22. Intramolecular Diels**-**Alder Reaction of Acrylamide 218 Giving 219**-**<sup>222</sup>**



compounds with interesting biological activity.48 Precursors **224** were prepared from **45** in the usual fashion (Scheme 40). Because styrenes are less active dienes, **224** had to be heated in order to undergo cyclization. In a survey of solvents, refluxing PhMe and DMF were found to give complete conversion and good yields of Diels-Alder adducts in which the newly formed double bond had migrated to regenerate the aromatic ring. For acrylamides **224a**-**e**, mixtures of *exo* adducts **225** and **226** were obtained with dr ranging from 75:25 to 96:4 (Table 23). No *endo* adducts were observed. Amide **224f** showed minimal reactivity even when

#### **Scheme 40***<sup>a</sup>*





*<sup>b</sup>* Recovery of **224f** was 85%. *<sup>c</sup>* Not reported.

refluxed in PhMe for 22 h, possibly due to steric congestion. This was not a problem for **224g**, which gave only one diastereomer of the Diels-Alder adduct; however, the 1,3 hydrogen shift which migrates the double bond was less diastereoselective, resulting in mixtures of **225g** and **227g**. Cleavage of the auxiliary from major products **225** gave enantiopure 3a,4,9,9a-tetrahydrobenz[*f*]isoindolines **229**. Interestingly, **224h** did not undergo a Diels-Alder reaction. Instead, an ene reaction gave **228h** as a single observable diastereomer (Scheme 40). Cleavage of the auxiliary from this product gave pyrrolidine **230**.

In 1994, Banks et al.28 prepared dienophiles **116a,b** from sugar **<sup>114</sup>** and used them in Lewis-acid-catalyzed Diels-Alder reactions (Scheme 41). Reaction of **116a** with cyclopentadiene at -<sup>78</sup> °C gave **231a** in a 97:3 ratio of *endo*/*exo*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) PhMe, reflux; (b) acryloyl chloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C; (c) methacryloyl chloride, TMEDA, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C; (d) solvent, reflux,  $3-4$  h; (e) LiAIH<sub>4</sub> (5 equiv), AlCl<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), THF,  $-10$  °C; (f) PCC; (g) KOH, MeOH, THF, rt.

**Scheme 41***<sup>a</sup>*



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) MeMgBr, THF, acryloyl chloride; (b) *n*BuLi, hexanes, THF,  $-78$  °C, crotonyl chloride; (c) Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl (1.4 equiv), cyclopentadiene (10 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -20 or -78 °C; (d) LiOBn, THF,  $-78$  °C to rt.

#### **Scheme 42***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) MeMgBr, Et<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C, acryloyl chloride; (b) MeMgBr, Et<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C, cinnamoyl chloride; (c) Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl (1.4 equiv), cyclopentadiene (10 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -20 or -78 °C; (d) Et<sub>2</sub>AlCl (1.4 equiv), isoprene (10 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C; (e) LiOH, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C.

isomers with 91:9 dr for the major *endo* adduct. Improved stereoselectivity was observed for **116b**, which reacted with cyclopentadiene at  $-20$  °C to give 231b in a 98:2 ratio of *endo*/*exo* isomers with 97:3 dr for the major *endo* adduct. Cleavage of the chiral auxiliary gave **232** with between 99:3 and 98:2 er.

Additionally, Banks and co-workers $14$  have also reported fructose derivative **38** as a chiral auxiliary for several asymmetric reactions. Dienophiles **233** were prepared from **38** (Scheme 42). While cinnamate **233a** formed in good yield, acrylate **233a** could only be obtained in poor yield. Nonetheless, they were used in Lewis-acid-catalyzed Diels-Alder reactions (Scheme 42). Reaction of **233a** with cyclopenta-



**Scheme 43***<sup>a</sup>*

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239b

239c



240e R=R<sup>3</sup>=H, R<sup>1</sup>=CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>2</sup>+R<sup>2</sup>=CH<sub>2</sub> (+)-240f R=CH<sub>3</sub>, R<sup>1</sup>=R<sup>3</sup>=H, R<sup>2</sup>+R<sup>2</sup>=CH<sub>2</sub>

*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) 2 equiv of BCl3, **239**; (b) NaOH, MeOH, reflux, 1 day.

diene at  $-78$  °C gave exclusively *endo* isomers of 234a with 93:7 dr. Use of acyclic diene isoprene under the same conditions produced **235a** in excellent yield with 87:13 dr. Offering less stereoselectivity, cinnamate **233b** reacted with cyclopentadiene at  $-20$  °C to give **234b** in an 80:20 ratio of *endo*/*exo* isomers with 82:18 dr for the major *endo* adduct. Cleavage of the auxiliary from **234a**, **234b**, and **235** gave high yields of acids **232b**, **232c**, and **236**, respectively.

In 2000, Keay et al. reported the asymmetric synthesis of (+)-(1*R*,5*S*,6*S*)-6-(2,2-dimethylpropamido)spiro[4.4]nonan-1-ol (**238a**) and its use as chiral auxiliary in a variety of Diels-Alder reactions (Scheme 43).49 Dienophiles **237a**-**<sup>c</sup>** could easily be prepared by treating **238a** with acryloyl chloride, methacryloyl chloride, or *trans*-crotonyl chloride, respectively, in the presence of triethylamine. Treatment of dienophiles  $237a - -c$  with a variety of dienes at  $-78$  °C with 2 equiv of  $BCl<sub>3</sub>$  gave Diels-Alder adducts in yields of 74-82% (Scheme 43, Table 24). Dienophile (-)-237a gave solely the *endo* adducts in 99:1 dr when reacted with cyclopentadiene and cyclohexadiene. Lower *endo*/*exo* ratios and diastereoselectivities were observed with adducts **240c** when furan was used as the diene. The Diels-Alder reaction of isoprene with  $(-)$ -237a provided acid  $(+)$ -240d in good yield (79%) and excellent enantioselectivity (92%). Dienophile  $(-)$ -237b was found to react with cyclopentadiene to afford only the *endo* isomer **240e** but with low diastereoselectivity. It is possible that the *cis*,*trans* geometry of the aminoalcohol chiral auxiliary did not block one side of the diene enough to give good facial selectivity. Dienophile  $(-)$ -**237c** reacted with cyclopentadiene in a good *endo*/*exo* ratio and good diastereoselectivity to afford acid (+)-**240f** in 93:7 er. It is important to note that saponification of the ester linkage in the Diels-Alder adducts returned the chiral auxiliary and final product with no loss of chirality. The aminoalcohol could easily be separated by chromatography and subsequently recycled.

The epimer of **238a**, compound **241**, was reported in 2003 (Scheme 44) to investigate the effect that the *cis*,*cis* geometry would have on diastereoselectivity in Diels-Alder reactions.50 *Cis*,*cis*-aminoalcohol **241** was *N*-acylated with pivalic anhydride to provide chiral auxiliary **242**, which was subsequently esterified with unsaturated acid chlorides to form dienophiles **243a**-**<sup>c</sup>** (Scheme 44). Pretreatment of

**Table 24. Diels**-**Alder Reactions of Dienophiles (**-**)-237a, (**-**)-237b, and (**-**)-237c with Dienes 239**



#### **Scheme 44***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) pivalic anhydride, pyridine, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt; (b) acryloyl chloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> or LHMDS, THF, crotonyl or methacryloyl chloride.

#### **Scheme 45***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) 2 equiv of BCl<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C; (b) **239**,  $-78$  °C, 8-14 h; (c) MeOH, 5 M NaOH, reflux.

dienophiles  $243$  with 2 equiv of  $BCl<sub>3</sub>$  followed by addition of diene **<sup>174</sup>** or **<sup>239</sup>** gave Diels-Alder adducts **<sup>244</sup>** in fair to excellent yields (50%-99%) and dr (89:11 to 99:1) (Scheme 45, Table 25). Even the less reactive crotonate and methacrylate esters **243b**,**c** reacted with cyclopentadiene with reasonable selectivity, providing **245** and **246**, respectively (92:8 dr and 90:10 dr, respectively, for the major products, Table 25). Chiral auxiliary **242** was easily cleaved from the Diels-Alder adducts by treatment with NaOH in MeOH at reflux, followed by acidification to afford free carboxylic acids **240a**-**<sup>f</sup>** and **<sup>247</sup>**-**<sup>249</sup>** without epimerization or isomerization (Table 25).

Interestingly, *cis*,*cis*-amidoalcohol (+)-**<sup>242</sup>** gave predominantly *endo* adducts having the *R*-configuration  $\alpha$  to the carboxylic acid. This was in contrast to the reaction of the epimeric *cis,trans*-amidoalcohol (-)-238a, which gave *endo* adducts having the *S*-configuration at that site. Thus, even though the spiro and amido centers had the same sense of chirality, changing the stereochemistry at C-1 led to products that were enantiomeric after cleavage of the auxiliary (Scheme 46). This is not only an interesting piece of information; it has a practical application. It has already been shown that *cis*,*cis*-amidoalcohol **242** can be prepared from *cis*,*trans*-amidoalcohol **238a**. <sup>50</sup> Jones oxidation of **242** gave the amidoketone (not shown), from which **238a** was originally prepared by reduction with DIBAL-H.<sup>49a</sup> Only one enantiomer of aminoalcohol **241** (Scheme 44) is needed from the resolution to allow the preparation of both diastereomeric auxiliaries, thereby giving access to both enantiomers of a desired Diels-Alder adduct. Because the auxiliaries are complementary and readily interconverted, both enantiomers of the Diels-Alder adduct can therefore be prepared from either enantiomer of **241**.

### **5.2. 1,3-Dipolar Cycloadditions**

Compound **44** was used as a chiral auxiliary by Breau et al.51 in 1998 for 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions of nitrile oxides. Condensation of **44** with acrolein gave oxazine **247**, which was reacted with acetonitrile oxide to give **248** with 95:5 dr (Scheme 47). No yield was reported, nor was the auxiliary cleaved.

Pedrosa et al. have also turned their attention to the application of aminoalcohol **45** as an auxiliary for intramolecular  $[3 + 2]$  cycloadditions<sup>52</sup> by converting 45 into aldehydes **249a**-**d**. Decarboxylative condensation of **<sup>249</sup>** with *N*-substituted aminoacids gave unstabilized azomethine ylides **250**, which underwent spontaneous intramolecular [3 + 2] cycloaddition reactions to give products **<sup>251</sup>**-**<sup>253</sup>** and, in some cases, byproducts **254**, in which the oxazine ring had been hydrolyzed (Table 26). Cleavage of the auxiliary from **251d** gave **255d**, which was analyzed by X-ray crystallography to confirm its absolute configuration and thus the stereochemical outcome of the cycloadditions (Scheme 48).

Similarly, reaction of aldehydes **249** with *N,N*′-disubstituted hydrazines gave azomethine imines<sup>53</sup> 256, which also underwent spontaneous intramolecular  $[3 + 2]$  cycloadditions, this time giving products **<sup>257</sup>**-**<sup>258</sup>** as single observable diastereomers in all cases (Table 27). The relative stereochemistries of **257a-f** and **258a-d** were determined by <sup>1</sup>H<br>NMR, COSY, and NOESY, Cleavage of the auxiliary was NMR, COSY, and NOESY. Cleavage of the auxiliary was not reported; however, it could presumably be accomplished by the standard method (vide supra).

In 1998, Breau and co-workers<sup>54</sup> used 8-aminomenthol derivative **259** as a chiral auxiliary for 1,3-dipolar cycload-

**Table 25. Diels**-**Alder Reaction of Chiral Dienophiles (**-**)-243a**-**c with Dienes 239**



**Scheme 46***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) acryloyl chloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; (b) cyclopentadiene (174), BCl<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C; (c) 5 M NaOH<sub>(aq)</sub>, MeOH, reflux; (d) MsCl, pyridine,  $0^{\circ}$ C to rt; (e) 3:1 dioxane/10% NaOH(aq), reflux,  $3-5$  days; (f) Jones; (g) DIBAL-H, THF,  $-78$  °C.

#### **Scheme 47**



ditions with nitrile oxides. As direct tosylation of **45** gave *O*-tosylation as well as the desired *N*-tosylation, the alcohol was first protected as a silyl ether. Subsequent tosylation and deprotection afforded **259** in 75% yield from **45** (Scheme 49). Condensation of **259** with acrolein diethyl acetal in the presence of F3B'OEt2 produced **<sup>260</sup>** with 98:2 dr. Reaction of **260** with MeCNO and PhCNO gave **261a** and **261b**, respectively, with good diastereoselectivity and in good yield.

### **5.3. Claisen Rearrangements**

Denmark and Marlin used aminoalcohol **1a** as a chiral auxiliary for carbanion-assisted Claisen rearrangements in **Table 26. Intramolecular 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition of Azomethine Ylides 250**





**Scheme 48***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) AIH<sub>3</sub>, THF, -10 °C; (b) PCC, NaOAc; (c) NaOH, TsCl, THF.

1987.55 Reaction of **1a** with PCl3, *N*-methylmorpholine, and propargyl alcohol **262** gave allenyl phosphoramidates **263** and **264** in 20% and 54% yields. After separation of the two isomers, addition of sodium allyloxide gave **265** in 54% yield (Scheme 50). Treatment of **265** with KDMSO in 3:1 DMSO/ THF gave Claisen rearrangement product **266** in 62% yield but with no observable asymmetric induction. Premixing the KDMSO with LiCl, however, improved both the yield and degree of asymmetric induction, giving **266** in 78% yield and 90:10 dr. Use of LiDMSO as a base gave the same diastereoselectivity, supporting the importance of the lithium cation. Conversion of **266** to a TBDMS enol ether, ozonolysis with oxidative workup, and methylation of the resulting carboxylic acid with  $CH_2N_2$  gave (*S*)-267 (Scheme 50). Interestingly, use of epimeric substrate **268**, prepared from

**Table 27. Intramolecular 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition of Azomethine Imines 256**





#### **Scheme 49***<sup>a</sup>*



261b R=Ph (70%, 95:5 dr)

*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) *n*BuLi, Et<sub>2</sub>O,  $-78$  °C; (b) TBSCI, Et<sub>2</sub>O,  $-78$  °C to rt; (c) TsCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, reflux; (d) TBAF $\cdot$ 3H<sub>2</sub>O, THF, rt; (e) acrolein diethyl acetal,  $Et_2O·BF_3$ ,  $Et_2O$ ,  $0 °C$ , 4 h; (f) RCNO (10 equiv).

**263**, gave the opposite enantiomer of product, (*R*)-**267**, upon cleavage of the auxiliary from **269** (Scheme 51).

### **5.4. Intramolecular Alder**−**Ene Reaction**

Following from their work on IMDAF reactions (vide *supra*), Pedrosa et al. recently reported (2005) the use of **45** as a chiral auxiliary in the intramolecular Alder-Ene reaction.56 Chiral perhydro-1,3-benzoxazines **271** were synthesized via condensation of **45** with an appropriate unsaturated aldehyde followed by *N*-alkylation with the appropriate unsaturated acid chloride (Scheme 52). Substrates **271a**-**<sup>e</sup>** were heated to afford Alder-Ene adducts **272a**-**<sup>e</sup>** diastereoselectively and in good to excellent yields (Table 28). Compound **271f** afforded diastereomers **272f** and **273f** in a 70:30 ratio. Compound **271g** underwent the Alder-Ene reaction to give a 1:1 ratio of adducts **272g** and **273g**. Cleavage of the chiral auxiliary and subsequent *N*-tosylation of **272a**-**<sup>g</sup>** gave enantiopure *cis*-3,4-disubstituted pyrrolidines  $274a-g$  from  $271a-g$  with yields of  $16-54\%$ .

### **5.5. Intramolecular [2** + **2] Photocycloadditions**

In 2003, Pedrosa and co-workers described the use of chiral perhydro-1,3-benzoxazines **275** as chiral templates for

**Scheme 50***<sup>a</sup>*



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) PCl3, *N*-methylmorpholine; (b) NaH, allyl alcohol, *<sup>t</sup>*BuOH, THF; (c) KDMSO (2-2.5 equiv), LiCl (6 equiv), 3:1 DMSO/THF, rt, 4 h; (d) KHMDS; (e) TBSCl; (f) O<sub>3</sub>, MeOAc; (g) H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>/  $HCO<sub>2</sub>H$ ; (h)  $CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>$ .





*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) KDMSO (2-2.5 equiv), LiCl (6 equiv), 3:1 DMSO/THF, rt, 4 h; (b) KHMDS; (c) TBSCl; (d) O3, MeOAc; (e)  $H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>/HCO<sub>2</sub>H$ ; (f)  $CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub>$ .

intramolecular  $[2 + 2]$  photocycloadditions.<sup>57</sup> Perhydro-1,3benzoxazines **275a**-**<sup>c</sup>** were synthesized in a two-step protocol from (-)-8-aminomenthol (**45**) (Scheme 53). When an acetonitrile solution of perhydro-1,3-benzoxazines **275a**-**<sup>c</sup>** was irradiated, they afforded cyclization adducts **276a**-**<sup>c</sup>** as single diastereomers (Scheme 53). It is interesting to note that only these geminally disubstituted olefins provided complete facial selectivity. Cleavage of the chiral auxiliary from photocyclization adducts **276a**-**<sup>c</sup>** followed by *<sup>N</sup>*tosylation afforded enantiopure nitrogen heterocycles **277a**-**<sup>c</sup>** in modest to good yields  $(46-75%)$ .

### **6. Transition-Metal-Catalyzed Reactions**

# **6.1. Palladium**

### 6.1.1. Allylic Alkylations

In 2002, Korostylev et al.<sup>58</sup> reported synthesis of aminophosphite **278** (Scheme 54). Complexation of **278** with Rh-  $(CO)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>$  and observation of the resulting  $\nu(CO)$  frequency in the IR and the  $\frac{1}{f(P,Rh)}$  coupling constant in the  $\frac{31P}{f(Nh)}$ indicated a strong  $\pi$ -acceptor ability for the phosphorus atom. Unfortunately, use of **278** as a ligand for Pd-catalyzed allylic alkylation of **276** with dimethyl malonate afforded **277** in extremely poor yield. Compound **278** was outperformed by phosphites **<sup>279</sup>**-**281**, derived from 1,2-iminoalcohols. All three of these ligands gave much higher yields (86-95%)





*a* Reagents and conditions: (a) PhMe, reflux; (b) AIH<sub>3</sub>, THF,  $-10^{\circ}$ C; (c) H<sub>3</sub>O<sup>+</sup>; (d) PCC, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt; (e) 2.5 M KOH in THF-MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O; (f) TsCl, DIEA.

**Scheme 54**

**Table 28. Intramolecular Ene Reactions of Perhydro-1,3-benzoxazines 271**

amide 271	time(h)	yield $(\%)$	products $(\%)$
a		95	272a(100)
b	10	92	272b(100)
c	30	86	272c(100)
d	3	90	272d(100)
е	15	90	272e(100)
	45	88	272f (72), 273f (28)
g	60	85	272g(45), 273g(55)

**Scheme 53**



than **278**. Ligand **281** provided the highest enantioselectivity for this transformation, affording **277** in 90:10 er.

P-R catalyst (2.2-8 mol%), OEt OMe MeC  $[Pd(ally|)Cl]_2$  (1 mol%), 276 dimethyl malonate, BSA, 277 KOAc, THF, -18 °C  $R =$  $\mathsf{C}$ Br NMe  $R = 0$  Ph 278 (3%, 67:33 er) 279 (90%, 79:21 er)  $R = 0$  $R =$ 280 (95%, 74:26 er) 281 (86%, 90:10 er)

Mino et al.<sup>59</sup> reported a synthesis of phosphinooxazinanes **285a**-**<sup>d</sup>** by condensation of aminoalcohols **283a**-**<sup>d</sup>** (made from **282a**-**<sup>d</sup>** starting with **<sup>154</sup>**) with 2-diphenylphosphinobenzaldehyde in 2001 (**284**, Scheme 55). These ligands

**Scheme 55***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) SOCl<sub>2</sub>, pyridine; (b) RNH<sub>2</sub>, Et<sub>3</sub>N; (c) LiAIH4; (d) **284**, *p*TsOH, pyridine, heat.

**Table 29. Pd-Catalyzed Allylic Alkylation of 287 with 286 Using Ligands 285**

$R^1O_2C\sqrt{R^2}CO_2R^2$ $R^1O_2C \leftarrow CO_2R^1[Pd(ally)Cl]_2$ OAc. <b>285, LIOAc, BSA</b> $\overline{2}$ Ph Ph Ph 287a R <sup>1</sup> =Me, R <sup>2</sup> =H 286 288а-с 287b $R^1$ =Et. $R^2$ =H 287c $R^1$ =Et, $R^2$ =Me								
ligand	Nu		temp	pdt	yield			
285	287	solvent	$(^{\circ}C)$	288	(% )	er		
a	a	THF	rt	a	85	82:18		
b	a	THF	rt	a	98	90:10		
c	a	THF	rt	a	82	87:13		
d	a	THF	rt	a	13	61:39		
b	a	PhMe	rt.	a	81	93:7		
b	a	PhMe	$-20$	a	50	97:3		
b	h	PhMe	$-20$	h	73	96:4		
b	c	PhMe	rt	c	59	80:20		

#### **Scheme 56***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) ZnCl<sub>2</sub>, PhCl, reflux, 6 days; (b) 2,2<sup>'</sup>dipyridyl, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, rt, 1 h.

were then applied to asymmetric Pd-catalyzed allylic alkylation reactions of **286** and **287**; ligand **285c** was shown to give the best yield and enantioselectivity (Table 29). The enantioselectivity was further improved by switching to a less polar solvent and lowering reaction temperature, although both of these measures resulted in reduced yield.

Keay et al. reported the synthesis of spirooxazine  $(+)$ -**<sup>291</sup>** from the *cis*,*cis*-aminoalcohol (+)-**<sup>241</sup>** in 2004 (Scheme 56).<sup>60</sup> It was found that  $(+)$ -291 was effective as ligand in the Pd-catalyzed allylic alkylation of 1,3-diphenylallyl acetate **286** with dimethyl malonate **287a** (Table 30) to give **288a**. A series of hydride bases were employed, and NaH was found to be the best choice. The alkylation could proceed in as little as 30 min in THF at 0 °C in 99% yield and 95:5 er. Use of the more polar solvent dimethyl ether gave better **Table 30. Pd-Catalyzed Alkylations of Allylic Acetate 286 with Dimethyl Malonate (287a) Using (**+**)-291 as a Chiral Ligand**







enantioselectivity (91%) but with slightly slower reaction time and yield: 90 min and 75%, respectively (Table 30). Interestingly, the suspension with **287a** and LiH had to be refluxed for 2 h and then cooled to reaction temperature prior to adding **<sup>286</sup>** and the Pd-ligand complex. If this was not done, no alkylation occurred. Also, no reaction occurred if  $Li<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>$  was used instead of LiH. The use of KH did not noticeably improve the alkylation er's.

In 2000, Zehnder et al.<sup>61</sup> compared phosphinooxazine 292 (derived from a 1,3-aminoalcohol) with phosphinooxazoline **293** (derived from a 1,2-aminoalcohol). Both ligands were used for asymmetric Pd-catalyzed allylic alkylation reactions, giving excellent enantioselectivity for alkylation of **286** but only moderate selectivity for alkylation of **294** (Table 31). While oxazine **292** generated **277** with an equal or slightly higher er, it was not nearly as efficient as oxazoline **293**; reaction times were significantly longer and yields were higher even though neither alkylation went to completion.

A bis(phosphinooxazine) ligand analogous to Phos-Biox (300) was reported by Lee et al. in 1999.<sup>62</sup> Asymmetric dihydroxylation of alkene **295** gave diol **296** in good yield with 97:3 er (Scheme 57). Functional group manipulation afforded diamide **297**, which was cyclized to bisoxazine **298**. Substitution of  $PPh<sub>2</sub>$  groups for the fluorides gave a mixture of mono- and disubstituted products **299**, both of which were used as ligands for Pd-catalyzed allylic alkylation of **286**

**Scheme 57***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a)  $(DHQD)_2$ PHAL,  $OsO_4$ ,  $K_3Fe(CN)_6$ ,  $K_2CO_3$ , MeSSO<sub>2</sub>HN<sub>2</sub>, *t*BuOH, H<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C; (b) MsCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C; (c) NaN<sub>3</sub>, DMF, 105 °C; (d)  $H_2$ , Pd/CaCO<sub>3</sub>, EtOH, rt; (e) 2-fluorobenzoyl chloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C; (f) HF-pyridine, MeCN, rt; (g) Tf<sub>2</sub>O, *iPr*<sub>2</sub>EtN,  $-78$  °C to rt; (h) KPPh<sub>2</sub>, THF, rt.

**Table 32. Asymmetric Pd-Catalyzed Allylic Alkylation of Acetate 287a with 286a Using Ligands 299**-**<sup>300</sup>**



BSA and 1 mol % KOAc.

with **287a** (Table 32). Under most reaction conditions tested, bis(phosphinooxazine) **299a** generated **288a** with moderate to good enantioselectivity but significantly lower than that of **288a** generated using bis(phosphinooxazoline) **300**. Fluorinated monophosphine **299b**, on the other hand, gave **288a** in excellent yield with enantioselectivity comparable to that obtained using **300**.

In 1996, Evans and Brandt<sup>63</sup> prepared  $\beta$ -pinene-derived phosphinooxazines **301**, which were also applied to asymmetric Pd-catalyzed allylic alkylation reactions (Scheme 58). In the reaction of **286** and **287a** in THF, excellent yields (94-97%) were obtained using ligands **<sup>301</sup>**; however, the enantioselectivity was much higher using **301a** (98:2 er) than **301b** (82:18 er).<sup>63a</sup> Reaction in  $CH_2Cl_2$  improved the yield to 99%, and (*S*)-**288a** was still obtained with 98:2 er. It was also noted that both 1,3-oxazine ligands offered superior turnover rates over those of the corresponding 1,3-oxazolines under analogous conditions.

Three years later, vinylogous sulfonates **302** and **303** were also employed as substrates for Pd-catalyzed allylic alkylations using **301a** as a ligand (Table 33).<sup>63b</sup> The vinylogous sulfonate was presented as an improved leaving group over the more common acetate and carbonates, and products **304** **Scheme 58**









were obtained with excellent enantioselectivity. The yields were not as impressive, and alcohols **305** were also obtained in all cases. The first microwave-accelerated asymmetric allylic alkylation reaction with  $\geq 95:5$  er was also reported when **303d** gave **304d** in 78% yield with 95:5 er in 4 min.

#### 6.1.2. Heck Reactions

Aminoalcohol **45** has also been used as a chiral auxiliary for intramolecular Heck reactions.64 Precursors **306**, **307**, and **312** were prepared from **45** in the usual fashion. Reaction with catalytic Pd and PPh<sub>3</sub> in refluxing MeCN gave cyclization products **<sup>308</sup>**-**<sup>310</sup>** and **<sup>313</sup>**-**<sup>316</sup>** (Tables 34 and 35). While all but one reaction cyclized exclusively 6-*exo* (**312b** gave a small amount of 7-*endo* product **315b**), **306a** was the only precursor to give just one product. Use of triflates **307** instead of iodides **306** further reduced diastereoselectivity in the cyclization step and regioselectivity in the elimination of Pd (entries 3 and 5) as well as promoting formation of decomposition product 311. Use of AsPh<sub>3</sub> as a ligand instead of PPh3 was noted to increase formation of enamine products **316** (entries 7, 9, and 11).

Kündig and Meier<sup>65</sup> prepared phosphinooxazines in 1999 for asymmetric Heck chemistry. Ligands **318** were prepared



*<sup>a</sup>* Also isolated degradation product **311** in 14% yield. *<sup>b</sup>* Also isolated degradation product **311** in 25% yield.

#### **Table 35. Intramolecular Pd-Catalyzed Heck Reaction of 312a**-**<sup>c</sup>**



from optically pure aminoalcohols **317** by acylation of the amine, cyclization to the oxazine, and displacement of a fluoride group with KPPh<sub>2</sub> (Scheme 59). While both ligands **318** were prepared, only **318b** was used in the Heck reaction between dihydrofuran **319** and phenyltriflate (**320**), producing dihydrofuran **321** in 79% yield with 95:5 er.

### **6.2. Rhodium**

### 6.2.1. Hydrosilylation

Korostylev et al.58 performed a Rh-catalyzed hydrosilylation of **86a** using **278** as a ligand that gave acceptable yields between 60 and 65%, but the selectivity was poor (Scheme 60). When the Rh/ligand ratio was 1:1, (*R*)-**87a** was formed



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) 2-fluorobenzoyl chloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0-20 °C, 20 h; (b) Tf<sub>2</sub>O, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C; (c) Et<sub>3</sub>N, 0-20 °C; (d) KPPh<sub>2</sub> (1.1 equiv), 18-crown-6 (1.3 equiv), THF,  $0-20$  °C; (e)  $[Pd_2(dba)_3dba]$ (1.5 mol %), **318b** (5 mol %), *i*Pr2EtN, THF, 70 °C, 4 days.

#### **Scheme 60***<sup>a</sup>*

**Scheme 59***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* Reagents and conditions: (a)  $[Rh(COD)Cl]_2$  (1 mol %), **278** (1-2 mol %), H<sub>2</sub>SiPh<sub>2</sub>, PhMe, 0 °C; (b) MeOH, K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> or *p*TsOH.

with 60:40 er; when the Rh/ligand ratio was 1:2, (*S*)-**87a** was formed with 59:41 er. In terms of both yield and enantioselectivity, ligand **322** outperformed **278**, giving **87a** in 74% yield and 79:21 er. While 1,3-iminoalcohol-derived phosphite **323** was also prepared and complexed with Rh-  $(CO)<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>$  to show strong  $\pi$ -acceptor ability, it was not tested in any reaction.



### 6.2.2. Catalytic Hydrogenation

Camphor-based aminoalcohols have also been used as skeletons for phosphine ligands. In 2000, Yeung et al.<sup>66</sup> made *exo* aminoalcohol **283e**. Reaction of **283e** with 2 equiv of  $Ph<sub>2</sub>PCl$  in the presence of  $Et<sub>3</sub>N$  provided aminophosphine phosphinite **324** (Scheme 61). This ligand was used in the Rh-catalyzed hydrogenation of enamines **325** giving chiral amidoesters **<sup>326</sup>** with 95-100% conversion and moderate to good enantioselectivity (Scheme 62).

### **6.3. Titanium**

### 6.3.1. Trimethylsilylcyanation

In 1991, Oguni et al.<sup>67</sup> used 1,2-amino- and 1,3-iminoalcohols as ligands for Ti-catalyzed trimethylsilylcyanation

**Scheme 61***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) SoCl<sub>2</sub>, pyridine; (b) MeNH<sub>3</sub>Cl, pyridine; (c) NaBH<sub>4</sub>, MeOH,  $-20$  °C; (d) Bh<sub>3</sub>·THF; (e) Ph<sub>2</sub>PCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, PhH.

#### **Scheme 62**



#### **Scheme 63***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> (5 equiv), MeOH, reflux, 18– 72 h.

#### **Scheme 64**



of aldehydes. Condensation of aldehydes **327** with aminoalcohols **328** gave ligands **329** (Scheme 63). Reaction conditions were optimized using substrate **152a**, and ligand **329b** was found to give the highest enantioselectivity for **330a**. Trimethylsilylcyanation of the remaining aldehydes proceeded with moderate yields, and enantioselectivity varied from moderate to good (Scheme 64). It should be noted that **329a** gave the opposite sense of chiral induction to the other three ligands, presumably due to its lack of a bulky *t*Bu group *ortho* to the phenol. Ligands **329** were also observed to accelerate the reaction, and trimethylsilylcyanation of **152a** proceeded six times faster catalyzed by the **329b**-Ti complex than by  $Ti(OiPr)_4$  alone.

**Scheme 65***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a)  $R^2MgX$ ; (b)  $H_2O$ ; (c) salicaldehyde; (d) Cu(OAc)<sub>2</sub>; (e) NaOH.

### **6.4. Copper**

#### 6.4.1. Carbenoid Reactions

Aratani prepared copper complexes **322** in 1985 that are derived from both a 1,3-iminoalcohol and a variety of 1,2 aminoalcohols. Addition of Grignard reagents to aminoacids **331**, condensation with salicylaldehyde, and complexation with copper afforded chelates 332 (Scheme 65).<sup>68</sup> These complexes were then used to catalyze formation of the copper carbenoid from **334a**, which reacted with diene **333** to give ethyl *trans*-chrysanthemate **335a**. A wide variety of alkyl  $(R^1 = Me, Bn, iPr, iBu)$  and aryl  $(R^2 = Ph, 2-MeOC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>)$  $2-BuOC_6H_4$ ,  $2-BuO-4-MeC_6H_4$ ,  $2-BuO-4-PrC_6H_4$ ,  $2-BuO-4$ 4-*t*BuC6H4, 2-OcO-4-*t*BuC6H4) substituents were tested, and the enantioselectivity of the reaction increased as the bulk of the  $\mathbb{R}^2$  groups increased. The highest er obtained was 85: 15 with catalyst 332, in which  $R<sup>1</sup> = Me$  and  $R<sup>2</sup> = 2$ -OcO-4-*t*BuC6H4. Using (*R*)-**332**, a wide variety of alkyl diazoacetates 334 were studied  $(R = Et, iPr, Cy, tBu, 2-Oc,$ CHMePh, CMe<sub>2</sub>Ph, CMe<sub>2</sub>*i*Pr, CMe*i*Pr<sub>2</sub>, L-menthyl, D-neomenthyl, L-adamantyl). Generating the carbenoid of **334b** gave **335** with the highest enantioselectivity; a 93:7 mixture of **335b** and **336b** was obtained with 97:3 dr for **335b**.

Cyclopropane carboxylic acids **337** and **338** were also synthesized using this chemistry. These acids are precursors to natural products such as cilastatin (**339**). Using (*S*)-**332**, an 85:15 mixture of *cis*/*trans* **337** was obtained, and the *cis* isomer was formed with 95:5 er. Using (*R*)-**332**, **338** was obtained in 96:4 er. Finally, Aratani reacted **322** and **334a** with alkenes **<sup>340</sup>**-**<sup>346</sup>** to study the stereoselectivity in the formation of cyclopropanes **<sup>347</sup>**-**<sup>353</sup>** (Table 36).



### **7. Radical Cyclizations**

### **7.1. Tin-Mediated Cyclizations**

The preparation of **44** from **45** by hydrogenolysis of the benzyl group has already been described (Scheme 8). This allows two different groups to be attached at the nitrogen,

**Table 36. Synthesis of Cyclopropanes 347**-**353 by 332-Catalyzed Carbenoid Insertion into Alkenes 340**-**<sup>346</sup>**





*a* Detemined by GC ( $R = L$ -menthyl). *b* Absolute stereochemistry not reported. *<sup>c</sup>* de not reported.

**Scheme 66***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) PhSeCHR<sup>1</sup>CHO, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt; (b) acryloyl chloride, Et3N, 0 °C; (c) crotonyl chloride, pyridine, 0 °C; (d) methacryloyl chloride, TMEDA, 0 °C; (e) Bu3SnH, AIBN, PhH, reflux; (f) LiAIH4 (5 equiv), AlCl<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), THF; (g) PCC; (h) KOH, MeOH, THF.

and the auxiliary can be used to control the stereochemical outcome of an intramolecular reaction between these two groups.

In 1996, Pedrosa et al. applied this strategy to an intramolecular 5-*exo*-trig radical cyclization.<sup>69</sup> Condensation of **45** with a Se-substituted aldehyde followed by acylation afforded selenides **354** in good to excellent yield (Scheme 66). Sn-mediated radical cyclization of these precursors gave **355** (Table 37). Moderate diastereoselectivity was observed in most cases; however, **354e** gave only one observable diastereomer of **355e**. The ratio of epimers at C2 of **354b** (Scheme 66) was found to be irrelevant, as either epimer gave the same result as a 1:1 mixture. Chromatography allowed separation of the diastereomers, and reductive opening of the oxazine followed by oxidation of the alcohol and retro-1,4-addition gave pyrrolidines **356** in moderate yield. Oddly, no auxiliary removal was reported for the

**Table 37. 5-***exo***-trig Radical Cyclization of Selenides 354 to Pyrrolidines 356**

sm 354	pdt 355	vield <sup><i>a</i></sup> (%)	$C2$ ratio <sup>b</sup> (R/S)	$\mathrm{d} \mathbf{r}^b$	pyrrolidine 356	yield <sup>c</sup> (%)
a	a	94	n/a	81:19	a	55
b	b	87	59:41	82:18(2R) 82:18(2S)	b	64
c	d	82	only $R$	72:28	d	62
d	d	84	n/a	81:19	d	55
e	e	81	n/a	$\geq 99:1$	d	d

*<sup>a</sup>* Combined yields of diastereomers (after separation by chromatography). *<sup>b</sup>* Determined by 1H NMR. *<sup>c</sup>* Isolated yield of **356** from major diastereomer of **355**. *<sup>d</sup>* Not reported.





*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) Bu3SnH, AIBN, PhH, reflux; (b) LiAIH4 (5 equiv), AlCl3 (2 equiv), THF; (c) PCC; (d) KOH, MeOH, THF. \* indicates other diastereomer from that shown above.





<sup>*a*</sup> Reagents and conditions: (a) Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH, AIBN, PhH, reflux; (b) LiAIH<sub>4</sub>  $(5$  equiv), AlCl<sub>3</sub> (2 equiv), THF; (c) PCC; (d) KOH, MeOH, THF.

diastereomerically pure **355e**. (+)-Pulegone (**42**) was also recovered and could be recycled to resynthesize **45** (Scheme 8).

Three years later, Pedrosa et al.<sup>70</sup> also reported the synthesis of pyrrolidines **356** by 5-*exo*-trig radical cyclization of selenides **357** and **359**. Condensation of **45** with a Sesubstituted aldehyde, reductive opening of the oxazine, and condensation of the resulting amine with  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes gave selenides **357** in moderate to excellent yield. Sn-mediated radical cyclization of these precursors gave **358** (Scheme 67). In most cases, while good yields were obtained, the diastereoselectivity of these reactions was poor. A notable exception to this rule was dimethyl-substituted **357f**, which gave only one observable diastereomer of **358f**. After separation of the diastereomers of **358**, cleavage of the auxiliary (V*ide supra*) proceeded to give pyrrolidines **<sup>356</sup>** in moderate yields. Condensation of **45** with the same Sesubstituted aldehyde followed by alkylation with allylic bromides gave selenides **359** in good to excellent yield. Snmediated radical cyclization of these precursors gave **360** in good yield but with poor diastereoselectivity (Scheme 68). Separation of the diastereomers was again achieved by column chromatography, and subsequent cleavage of the auxiliary (*vide supra*) gave pyrrolidines 356 in moderate yields. While **45** was not a particularly effective auxiliary in most of these cyclizations, it also functioned as a resolving

**Scheme 69***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) DIBAL-H,  $0^{\circ}$ C; (b) TBSCl, DMF; (c) Bu3SnH, AIBN, PhH, reflux; (d) PCC; (e) KOH, MeOH, THF; (f) R'RC=CHCH2Br, K2CO3, MeCN, reflux; (g) MeMgI, Et2O.

agent, and enantiopure pyrrolidines could be obtained by chromatographic separation of the diastereomers of cyclization product prior to auxiliary cleavage.

In another variation on this theme, both reagents for a 5-*exo*-trig radical cyclization were attached to the nitrogen atom of **45** while the alcohol was either left unsubstituted or protected as a silyl ether (Scheme  $69$ ).<sup>71</sup> Reductive opening of oxazine 357f gave 361a, which, upon reaction with Bu<sub>3</sub>-SnH and AIBN, gave **362a** in good yield but low de. TBS ether **361b** was prepared from **361a**, and its cyclization to **362b** gave no observable diastereoselectivity, which supported the theory that hydrogen bonding of the alcoholic proton may have played a role in the small amount of stereoselectivity that was observed.71 When oxazine **357f** was opened with MeMgI, **361c** was obtained as a single diastereomer. Unlike **361a** and **361b**, **361c** reacted with excellent diastereoselectivity upon treatment with Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH and AIBN, giving **362c** as a single observable diastereomer. Cleavage of the auxiliary (V*ide supra*) from **362a** and **362c** gave pyrrolidines **356f** and **356g** in moderate yield.

In 1999, Pedrosa et al.72 also reported use of **45** as a chiral auxiliary for the synthesis of pyrrolidines **356** via radical cyclizations not involving selenides. Treatment of oxazine **363a** with Bu3SnH and AIBN gave a mixture of **364a**-**367a** while oxazine **363b** gave only **364b** and **366b** under the same reaction conditions (Scheme 70). In both cases, the diastereomers were separated by chromatography and, as with Pedrosa's other work in this area, cleavage of the auxiliary gave pyrrolidines 356 and  $(+)$ -pulegone  $(42,$  *vide supra*), as the initial reduction step also cleaved the Bu<sub>3</sub>Sn group.

Pedrosa et al. 's most recent contribution to asymmetric synthesis of pyrrolidines involved the use of sulfanyl radicals in a study of 5-*exo*-trig cyclizations using derivatives of **45** as chiral auxiliaries.73 As before, oxazines **363** were prepared by condensation of **45** with an aldehyde followed by acylation with an acid chloride (*vide supra*). Pure diastereomers were obtained except for **363e**, which was a mixture of *E*- and *Z*-isomers. Refluxing **363a** with PhSH and AIBN in benzene gave an inseparable mixture of diastereomers. Better selectivity was obtained for reaction of **363b**, and the major product was identified as **368b**. No diastereoselectivity was observed for the reaction of **363c** which gave an equimolar mixture of products while **363d** gave a 7:3 mixture





**Scheme 71**



of **368d** and **369d**. By far, the best result was obtained for the mixture of (*E*)- and (*Z*)-**363e** which gave only one diastereomer of product **370e** in good yield (Scheme 71). Not only was this reaction stereoselective, it was also catalytic in thiol, proceeding to completion even when only 0.3 equiv of PhSH was added.

As precursors for more radical cyclizations,74 oxazines **371** and **372** were prepared from **45** in 56% and 76% yields, respectively (Scheme 72). Unfortunately, **45** was not a particularly effective auxiliary. Treatment of 371 with Bu<sub>3</sub>-SnH and AIBN gave 6-*exo* cyclization products **373a** and **373b** in a 3:2 ratio alongside 16% yield of debrominated starting material. Interestingly, **372** gave 7-*endo* cyclization product **374** in 70% yield under the same conditions.

### **7.2. Yang Photocyclization Reactions**

An example of a radical cyclization not involving Sngenerated radicals is the use of **45** as a chiral auxiliary in the Yang photocyclization in the synthesis of azetidin-3-ol derivatives **381** (Scheme 73).75 In 2005, Pedrosa and coworkers focused on the photocyclization of chiral perhydro-1,3-benzoxazines **375**. A 0.02 M solution of perhydro-1,3 oxazine in MeOH, benzene, or MeCN was irradiated. The resultant cycloadducts were separated by column chroma-

**Scheme 72***<sup>a</sup>*



 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) allyl bromide,  $K_2CO_3$ , MeCN, rt; (b) 2-bromobenzaldehyde, PhMe, reflux; (c) Bu3SnH, AIBN, PhH, heat; (d) 2-bromobenzaldehyde,  $CH_2Cl_2$ , rt; (e) NaBH<sub>4</sub>,  $Et_2O$ **·**BF<sub>3</sub>, THF; (f) acrolein, PhMe, reflux.

#### **Scheme 73***<sup>a</sup>*



*<sup>a</sup>* Reagents and conditions: (a) *hν*, 0.02 M solution in solvent; (b) NaH, BnBr, THF; (c) LiAIH<sub>3</sub>, AlCl<sub>3</sub>, ThF; (d) PCC, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, rt; (e) KOH, THF-MeOH-H2O; (f) TsCl, DIEA.

tography. The stereochemistry of the products was then determined by COSY and NOESY experiments. *N*-Allyl derivatives **375a**-**<sup>c</sup>** were found to cyclize to give two diastereomers: **377a**-**<sup>c</sup>** as the major and **378a**-**<sup>c</sup>** as the minor diastereomer (Scheme 73, Table 38). In contrast, the *<sup>N</sup>*-benzyl derivatives **375d**-**<sup>g</sup>** gave only one diastereomer, **377d**-**g**. Observed byproducts **379a** and **<sup>380</sup>** arose from Norrish Type I fragmentation. Cleavage of the chiral auxiliary followed by *N*-tosylation gave azetidin-3-ol derivatives **381**.

# **8. Miscellaneous Uses of 1,3-Aminoalcohols**

# **8.1. Synthesis of Chiral Phosphorothioates**

Oligonucleotide phosphorothioates **388** (PS-Oligos) are of interest to many groups due to their therapeutic potential (Scheme 74).76 As previous procedures for the preparation of PS-Oligos **388** always resulted in mixtures of 2*<sup>n</sup>* diastereomers where *n* is equal to the number of internucleotidic phosphorothioate linkages, in 1999, Just et al. developed a

**Table 38. Yang Photocyclizations of Perhydro-1,3-benzoxazines 375**

sm 375	solvent	temp $(^{\circ}C)$	time (h)	yield <sup>a</sup> (% )	product ratio <sup>b</sup> $(\%)$	byproducts
a	MeOH	25	35			379a(15)
a	$C_6H_6$	25	35	40	377a(68)	380a(5) 379a(2)
a	MeCN	25	35	50	378a(32) 377a(82)	380a(9) 379a(2)
a	<b>MeCN</b>	5	56	32	378a(18) 377a(83)	380a(8) 379a(2)
b	MeCN	25	7	56	378a(17) 377b (79)	380a(16) 380b (20)
					378b(21)	
c	MeCN	25	5	27c	377c(94) 378 $c(6)$	380 $c(4)$
d	MeCN	25	4	60	377d $(>96)^d$	380 $d(6)$
e	MeCN	25	5	58	377e $(>96)^d$	380e (11)
f	MeCN	25	3	55	377f $(>96)^d$	380 $f(7)$
g	MeCN	25	4	56	377g $(>96)^d$	380g (13)
h	MeCN	25	9	6		380h(40)
i	MeCN	25	43			379i(25)

*<sup>a</sup>* Yields refer to pure diastereomers (**378** and **379**) after flash chromatography. *<sup>b</sup>* Determined by <sup>1</sup> H NMR. *<sup>c</sup>* 29% enamine byproduct. *<sup>d</sup>* Only one diastereomer was detected by <sup>1</sup> H NMR.





 $a$  Reagents and conditions: (a) PCl<sub>3</sub>, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>3</sub>CN or THF,  $0-60$  °C; (b)  $T^3$ OH, 0 °C, 22–32% (2 steps); (c)  $T^5$ OH, DBU; (d) Beaucage's reagent 74–78%; (e) 28% NH.OH 50 °C 0.5 h; (f) TRAF DMF reagent, 74-78%; (e) 28% NH4OH, 50 °C, 0.5 h; (f) TBAF, DMF.

method for the preparation of oligonucleotide phosphorothioates **<sup>388</sup>** (PS-Oligos) using indoles **382a**-**<sup>c</sup>** as starting materials (Scheme 74).<sup>77</sup> Mixing 382a-c with PCl<sub>3</sub> provided **383a−c**, which were immediately treated with T<sup>3</sup><sup>′</sup>OH, giving **384a−c** Treatment with a second sugger provided ring opened **384a**-**c**. Treatment with a second sugar provided ring opened products **385a**-**c**, which were immediately reacted with Beaucage's reagent to give phosphorothioates **386a**-**c**. Hydrolysis of the indole moiety in **386b** and **c** was effected with 28% ammonium hydroxide, giving **388** after removal of the silyl protecting groups from **387** with TBAF. Interestingly, the indole in **386a** could not be removed under a variety of conditions, which resulted in the authors preparing



the **b** and **c** series in Scheme 74. Cleavage of the indole moiety in the **b** series was accomplished by the classical  $\beta$ -elimination of a cyanoethyl group,<sup>78</sup> while in the **c** series, the indole is removed via neighboring group participation.79 Initial work by Just et al. employing imidazooxazaphosphorine **389** was unsuccessful due to its unexpected high reactivity along with difficulties in preparing starting materials.80

In 2000, Just and co-workers also developed chiral auxiliary **390** for the stereoselective synthesis of **388**. 81 Compound **390** was found to be very selective when synthesizing 388, giving a 40:1 ratio of the  $R<sub>P</sub>$ -isomer to the *R*P-isomer. Auxiliary **390** was found to be particularly attractive, as it can be derived from tryptophan, an inexpensive and readily available amino acid. It was also demonstrated that this methodology was compatible with solidphase synthesis of PS-Oligos.



### **8.2. Regio- and Stereoselective Methoxyselenenylation Reactions**

Pedrosa et al. have recently (2006) shown that 2-vinylperhydro-1,3-benzoaxazines **391a**-**<sup>h</sup>** undergo regio- and stereoselective methoxyselenenylation reactions (Scheme 75).82 The starting olefins **391a**-**<sup>h</sup>** are easily prepared by condensation of  $(-)$ -8-aminomenthol derivative 45 or 44 with  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes. Treatment of **391a-h** with PhSeCl in MeOH/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> afforded either one diastereomer **392a**-**f,h** or a mixture of diastereomers **392d,e,g,h** and **393d,e,g,h** (Table 39). Subsequent deselenenylation on **392d,f** and **393d** was accomplished by treatment with Ph<sub>3</sub>-SnH and AIBN in refluxing toluene to give **394d,f** and **395d**, respectively.

**Scheme 75 Table 39. Regio- and Stereoselective Methoxy-selenenylation Reactions with 391a**-**<sup>h</sup>**

$\mathrm{sm}$ 391	temp $(^{\circ}C)$	time(h)	yield $(\%)^a$	products (ratio) <sup>b</sup>
a	$-15$	24		
a	22	48	93	392a $(>96)$
$\mathbf b$	22	168	70 <sup>c</sup>	392b (>96)
c	22	168	71 <sup>d</sup>	392 $c$ ( $>96$ )
d	22	24	95	392d (58)
				393 $d(42)$
d	22	72	93	392d(35)
				393d(65)
d	$-15$	24	98	392d $(>96)$
e	22	24	96	392e(50)
				393e(50)
e	$-15$	48	96	392 $e$ (>96)
f	22	72	89	392 $f(>96)$
g	22	96	76 <sup>e</sup>	392g (81)
				393g (19)
g	4	168	$42^f$	392g (88)
				393g(12)
h	22	108	75 <sup>s</sup>	392h(50)
				393h(50)
h	$-15$	168	60 <sup>h</sup>	392h $(>96)$

*<sup>a</sup>* Yields refer to pure compounds after column chromatography. *<sup>b</sup>* Determined by <sup>1</sup> H NMR or the reaction mixtures. *<sup>c</sup>* 22% of **391b** was recovered. *<sup>d</sup>* 0% of **391c** was recovered. *<sup>e</sup>* 16% of **391g** was recovered. *<sup>f</sup>* 51% of **391g** was recovered. *<sup>g</sup>* 20% of **391h** was recovered. *<sup>h</sup>* 31% of **391h** was recovered.

**Scheme 76***<sup>a</sup>*



402 R<sup>1</sup>=Me, R<sup>2</sup>=Z=(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>CO 405b R<sup>1</sup>=OEt, R<sup>2</sup>=Z=(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>CO, R<sup>3</sup>=Bn 403 R<sup>1</sup>=OEt, R<sup>2</sup>=Z=(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>CO 406 R<sup>1</sup>=Me, R<sup>2</sup>=Z=(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>4</sub>CO, R<sup>3</sup>=allyl 404 R<sup>1</sup>=OEt, R<sup>2</sup>=Ph, Z=CN 407 R<sup>1</sup>=OEt, R<sup>2</sup>=Z=(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>3</sub>CO, R<sup>3</sup>=Me 408 R<sup>1</sup>=OEt, R<sup>2</sup>=Ph, Z=CN, R<sup>3</sup>=allyl

*a* Reagents and conditions: (a)  $H_2CO$ ,  $HCO_2H$ ; (b) MeBr; (c)  $R^3X$  (1.1 equiv), **399** (5 mol %), 10% NaOH<sub>(aq)</sub>, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, 0 °C.

### **8.3. Resolving Agents**

Aminoalcohol (+)-**<sup>84</sup>** was reported in 1997 as a resolving agent for mandelic acid (**396**), although it was not as efficient as  $\alpha$ -methylbenzylamine (397).<sup>83</sup>



### **8.4. Chiral Phase Transfer Catalyst**

In 1979, Saigo et al.<sup>84</sup> prepared  $(-)$ - and  $(+)$ -399 from optically pure  $(+)$ - and  $(-)$ -398 (Scheme 76). This was the only example found of a 1,3-aminoalcohol-based chiral phase transfer catalyst. Application of **399** to asymmetric alkylation of activated methylene compounds **<sup>401</sup>**-**<sup>404</sup>** gave **<sup>405</sup>**-**<sup>408</sup>** with enantioselectivities comparable to those obtained using commercially available 1,2-aminoalcohol-derived chiral phase transfer catalyst 399 (Table 40). Saigo<sup>84</sup> and Fiaud<sup>85</sup> reported only the optical rotation of their alkylation products; however,

**Table 40. Asymmetric Alkylation of Doubly Activated Methylene Compounds 401**-**404 to 405**-**408 Using Chiral Phase Transfer Catalysts 399 and 400**

				yield	$[\alpha]_{D}^a$	lit. <sup>b</sup> $\lceil \alpha \rceil_D$	
catalyst	sm	$\mathbb{R}^3$	pdt	(% )	$(\text{deg})$	$(\text{deg})$	$er^c$
$(-) - 400$	401	allyl	405a	85	$-8.2$	$-100.4$ (S) <sup>d</sup>	54:46 $(S)$
$(-)$ -399	401	allyl	405a	84	$-7.4$	$-100.4$ (S) <sup>d</sup>	54:46(S)
$(+)$ -399	401	allyl	405a	79	$+7.7$	$-100.4$ (S) <sup>d</sup>	54:46(R)
$(+)$ -399	401	Bn	405b	71	$+4.7$	$-51 \pm 19^e$	54:46 <sup>f</sup>
$(+)$ -399	402	allyl	406	68	$+18.2$	$+254(S)^{g}$	53:47(S)
$(-) - 400$	402	allyl	406	90	$-23.5$	$+254(S)^{g}$	55:45(R)
$(-)$ -399	403	Me	407	65	$+1.7$	$-16.09(R)$ <sup>h</sup>	55:45(S)
$(-)$ -399	404	allyl	408	86	$+0.4$	i	

*<sup>a</sup>* All optical rotations measured in CHCl3. *<sup>b</sup>* Maximum reported optical rotation for enantiopure product. *<sup>c</sup>* For clarity, enantiomeric excesses have been calculated from the reported optical rotations. *<sup>d</sup>* See ref 86. *e* Reported value was  $-3.558$ ° for material with  $7 \pm 3$ % ee; see ref 87.  $\bar{f}$  Absolute stereochemistry of product not reported. *g* See ref 88. *<sup>h</sup>* See ref 89. *<sup>i</sup>* No literature value could be found.

calculation of the ee of the products shows that there was still a great deal of room to improve the asymmetric induction in these reactions. $86-89$  It is worthy to note that work done by Saigo and Fiaud represents the first attempts at asymmetric alkylation of carbonyl compounds using chiral phase transfer catalysis. This transformation can now be facilitated enantioselectively by a wide variety of phase transfer catalysts, many of which are based on cinchona alkaloid frameworks.<sup>90</sup>

### **9. Summary**

While frequently overlooked in favor of the more common 1,2-aminoalcohols, a wide variety of 1,3-aminoalcohols and their derivatives have been used for asymmetric induction in organic synthesis. They range from small linear compounds to multicyclic structures and heterocyclic derivatives. Some are derived from common natural products such as menthol, camphor, and sugars while others are entirely synthetic in structure. 1,3-Aminoalcohols have been used as chiral auxiliaries for Diels-Alder reactions and other cycloadditions, for sigmatropic rearrangements, for aldol reactions and alkylation of anions, for radical cyclizations, and for addition of organometallic reagents to ketals and carbonyl groups. They have been chelated to transition metals and other catalysts including B, Al, Zn, Ti, Pd, Cu, and Zn species. The resulting chiral catalysts have been used for Diels-Alder reactions, for allylic alkylation and Heck reactions, for carbenoid cyclopropanation reactions, for reduction of enamines and carbonyl groups, for trimethylsilylcyanations, and for addition of organometallic reagents to carbonyl groups. 1,3-Aminoalcohols have a rich history in asymmetric organic synthesis and, given their usefulness and adaptability, they will likely have a rich future as well.

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