Diene-transmissive Hetero Diels-Alder Reactions of Bis(silyloxy) Cross-conjugated Trienes with Azodicarbonyl Compounds

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The first example for the diene-transmissive hetero Diels-Alder reaction of two bis(silyloxy) cross conjugated trienes, 3-benzylidene- and 3-(methoxymethylene)-2,4-bis(trimethylsilyloxy)-1,4-pentadiene, is presented by the reactions with azodicarbonyl compounds such as diethyl azodicarboxylate and triazolinediones. The cross type of the diene-transmissive reaction is also described.

The diene-transmissive Diels-Alder reaction of bis(silyloxy) cross-conjugated trienes, 3-benzylidene-1 and 3-(methoxymethylene)-2,4-bis(trimethylsilyloxy)-1,4-pentadiene 2, offers a direct and stereoselective synthetic route to highly functionalized hydronaphthalene skeletons. This strategy using heterodienophiles has not been reported despite its apparent potential in synthesis. In this paper we wish to describe the diene-transmissive Diels-Alder reaction of the trienes, 1 and 2, with acyclic and cyclic azodicarbonyl compounds such as azodicarboxylate and triazolinediones which have proved to be among the most reactive dienophiles and have been used extensively in synthesis. The cross type of diene-transmissive hetero Diels-Alder reactions is also presented.

The reaction of 1 with diethyl azodicarboxylate 3 was first investigated. Even in the reaction with one equivalent of 3 no mono-adduct was obtained, but instead the desilylated diene-transmissive bis-adduct 4 (mp 126-126.5 °C) was formed exclusively and isolated, after the work-up with methanol, in a low yield. In the reaction using two equivalents of 3 the expected bis-adduct 4 was obtained in a moderate yield. Similarly, the only bis-adduct 5 (colorless oil) was isolated in the reaction of 2 with 3 (Table 1³⁾).

Scheme 1.

Entry	Triene	3	Reaction	Conditions	Product	
		(equiv)	Temp	Time/h	(yield/%) ^{D)}	
1	1	1.0	25 °C	96	4 (9)	
2	1	1.0	reflux	24	4 (16)	
3	1	2.1	reflux	24	4 (51)	
4	2	1.4	25 °C	16	5 $(31)_{0}^{(3)}$	
5	2	2.2	reflux	24	5 (53)	

Table 1. Reactions of trienes 1 and 2 with azodicarboxylate 3^{a)}

- a) All the reactions were carried out in dry benzene under nitrogen.
- b) Isolated yields based on the triene.
- c) Together with 3 and 8% yields of an unidentified bis-adduct bearing a silyloxy group in entries 4 and 5, respectively.

The above diene-transmissive Diels-Alder reaction is illustrated in Scheme 1. The triene, 1 or 2, reacts with 3 first to form a mono-cycloadduct A, which then smoothly undergoes the second reaction to afford a biscycloadduct B. Finally, the treatment of B with methanol gives the desilylated bis-adduct 4 or 5, respectively.

Saponification of 4 with 10% aqueous sodium hydroxide in ethanol (at r.t. for 24 h) directly gave the hexahydropyridazinopyridazine 6 (mp 176-178 °C (dec)) in 57% yield.³⁾

The cycloaddition to 4-phenyl- 7a and 4-methyl-1,2,4-triazoline-3,5-dione 7b was next investigated. The triazolinediones 7 were found much more reactive than 3. The reaction of 1 with one equivalent of 7a in THF at 0 °C gave a mixture of the desilylated mono-adduct 8a (mp 205-206 °C), and bis-adduct 9a (mp 290-292 °C) after the work-up with 10% hydrochloric acid, whereas the desilylated bis-adduct 9b (mp 239-240 °C) was only isolated in the reaction with 7b under the same conditions. The reaction of 1 with two equivalents of triazolinediones 7a or 7b gave the desilylated bis-adduct 9a or 9b in fairly good yield, respectively (Table 2).

The activated triene 2 reacted with one equivalent of 7a at 0 °C for 30 min, after the work-up with 10% hydrochloric acid, to give a good yield of the desilylated mono-adduct 10a (190.5-191 °C (dec)) accompanied by

Entry	Triene	7	Reaction Conditions			Product (yield/%) ^{b)}	
		(equiv)	Solvent	Temp	Time/h	Mono-adduct	Bis-adduct
1	1	7a (1.0)	THF	0 °C	1	8a (18)	9a (21)
2	1	7a (2.1)	THF	25 °C	5		9a (51)
3	1	7a (2.1)	DME	reflux	5		9a (62)
4	1	7b (1.0)	THF	0 °C	1		9b (19)
5	1	7b (2.1)	THF	25 °C	5		9b (60)
6	1	7b (2.1)	DME	reflux	5		9b (79)
7	2	7a (1.0)	THF	0 °C	0.5	10a (76)	
8	2	7a (2.0)	THF	25 °C	0.5		11a (88)
9	2	7a (2.2)	DME	reflux	5		11a (99)
10	2	7b (1.0)	THF	0 °C	0.5		11b (21)
11	2	7b (2.2)	DME	reflux	5		11b (79)

Table 2. Reaction of trienes 1 and 2 with triazolinediones 7^{a)}

- a) All the reactions were carried out in dry solvent under Nitrogen.
- b) Isolated yields based on the triene.

the elimination of methanol. ⁴⁾ The reaction of **2** with two equivalents of **7a** in THF at 25 °C or in refluxing 1,2-dimethoxyethane (DME) afforded a desilylated ring-opening bis-adduct **11a** (mp 276-277 °C (dec)), which gave N-acetyl derivative **12a** (mp 256-258 °C (dec)) by the acetylation with acetic anhydride, in an excellent yield, respectively. In the reaction with **7b**, however, a similar novel ring-opening bis-adduct **11b** (mp 253-254 °C (dec)) was only isolated regardless of the reaction conditions (Table 2⁵).

The mono-silyloxylated bis-adduct 13^{6} was newly isolated, after the work-up with methanol, from the reaction of 2 with 7b under the same reaction conditions as those of entry 11 in Table 2. This is the first example for the isolation of stable silyloxylated adduct from the reaction using 2. On the treatment with 10% hydrochloric acid 13 was readily converted to 11b. The isolation of 13 is noteworthy in connection with the pathway leading to the novel ring-opening bis-adduct 11. The formation of 11 from the initial bis-cycloadduct C may be considered as illustrated in Scheme 2: The elimination of methanol from C and ring-opening of 13 arise from the process wherein the corresponding silyl enol ether in C or 13 is converted to the ketone, respectively.

Of great value as a synthetic tool is the cross type of diene-transmissive hetero Diels-Alder reaction. We have previously established that the most promising cross process of diene-transmissive Diels-Alder reaction of the trienes is achieved by using the reaction of 2 with cyclic electrophilic olefins at the first stage. ^{1b)} Thus, the first reaction of 2 with an equivalent of N-methylmaleimide 14 in benzene at 25 °C for 48 h followed by the second reaction with an equivalent of azodicarboxylate 3 (in refluxing benzene for 34 h) or triazolinedione 7a (in

Scheme 3.

benzene at 25 °C for 5 h) after the work-up with methanol, the cross bis-adduct 15 (mp 53-54 °C) or 16 (213-214 °C (dec)) in 35 or 36% yield, respectively (Scheme 3). It was assigned on the basis of spectral data⁷⁾ that the initially formed ring of 15 or 16 had trans configuration. It means that the stereochemistry of the initial endo mono-cycloadduct D of 2 to 14 was inverted; such an inversition of stereochemistry has been often observed in the diene-transmissive Diels-Alder reactions of 2. 1)

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- 3) All the new compounds reported herein were characterized by spectroscopy and microanalysis. Spectroscopic data for 4: IR (KBr) 1738, 1688 cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (CDCl₃) δ =0.72 (3H, t, J=7.2 Hz), 1.28, 1.29, 1.36 (each 3H, t, J=7.0 Hz), 3.26-5.43 (12H, m), 6.21 (1H, br s, 5-H), 7.26 (5H, s); MS m/z 518 (M⁺). 6: IR (KBr) 3262, 1658 cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR ((CD₃)₂CO-DMSO-d₆) δ =2.85-3.80 (3H, br, NH), 3.82 (2H, s), 4.80 (1H, s, 5-H), 7.26 (5H, s), 7.63 (1H, s, 3-H); MS m/z 228 (M⁺).
- 4) Adducts accompanied by the elimination of methanol were often formed in the reaction using 2.1)
- 5) Spectroscopic data of **9b**, **10a** and **11b** are shown. **9b**: IR (KBr) 1775, 1740, 1715, 1676 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃-DMSO-d₆) δ =2.91, 3.19 (each 3H, s), 4.32, 4.34 (each 1H, s), 4.63 (1H, dd, J=1.0, 18.6 Hz, changed to a doublet on irradiation at δ =5.94), 5.54 (1H, d, J=18.6 Hz), 5.94 (1H, d, J=1.0 Hz, 7-H), 7.30 (5H, s); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃-DMSO-d₆) δ =25.27, 25.75, 43.14, 50.57, 54.72, 111.40, 128.29, 128.59, 129.13, 135.15, 140.40, 147.22, 151.38, 152.87, 154.26, 180.92; MS m/z 396 (M⁺). **10a**: IR (KBr) 1742, 1711, 1688, 1661 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃-DMSO-d₆) δ =2.47 (3H, s), 4.46 (2H, s), 7.53 (5H, s), 8.46 (1H, s, =CH); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃-DMSO-d₆) δ =29.84, 50.12, 112.66, 125.37, 128.36, 128.63, 129.90, 136.32, 144.85, 149.50, 182.02, 192.24; MS m/z 285 (M⁺). **11b**: IR (KBr) 3260, 1800, 1752, 1698, 1676 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ =2.92, 3.07 (each 3H, s), 4.38, 4.72 (each 2H, s), 8.40 (1H, s, =CH), 9.94 (1H, br s, NH); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ =24.63, 25.54, 50.26, 55.03, 109.73, 137.23, 146.24, 151.35, 154.25, 155.71, 183.13, 188.27; MS m/z 336 (M⁺).
- 6) 13: Mp 202-206 °C (dec), colorless prisms. IR (KBr) 1777, 1729, 1700 cm⁻¹; 1 H NMR (CDCl₃-DMSO-d₆) δ =0.04 (9H, s, Si(CH₃)₃), 3.04, 3.08 (each 3H, s), 3.64, 4.98 (each 1H, d, J=11.7 Hz), 4.11, 4.52 (each 1H, d, J=17.9 Hz), 7.91 (1H, s, =CH); 13 C NMR (CDCl₃-DMSO-d₆) δ =0.01, 24.09, 24.52, 48.78, 50.90, 81.27, 107.90, 124.64, 145.64, 151.31, 151.96, 153.17, 184.11; MS m/z 408 (M⁺).
- 7) **15**: IR (KBr) 1770 (sh), 1720, 1709, 1665 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ =1.28, 1.37 (each 3H, t, J=7.1 Hz), 2.90-3.17 (10H, m), 4.12-4.47 (6H, m), 5.07 (1H, d, J=3.9 Hz, 5-H); MS m/z 409 (M⁺). **16**: IR (KBr) 1773, 1731, 1698, 1676 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ =2.58-4.66 (6H, m), 2.86 (3H, s), 3.02 (3H, s), 3.13 (1H, dd, J=4.0, 11.9 Hz, 7a-H, changed to doublet on irradiation at δ =4.91), 4.91 (1H, d, J=4.0 Hz, 7-H), 7.53 (5H, s); ¹³C NMR (DMSO-d₆) δ =20.87, 24.27, 35.46, 44.90, 50.24, 55.84, 67.29, 110.78, 126.68, 128.80, 129.10, 130.39, 146.56, 149.94, 150.35, 175.74, 178.76, 182.23; MS m/z 410 (M⁺).

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