

12. The Adamantane Rearrangement of 1,2-Trimethylenenorbornanes

Part IV¹⁾

Hydride-Ion Abstraction in 1,2-*exo*-Trimethylenenorbornane

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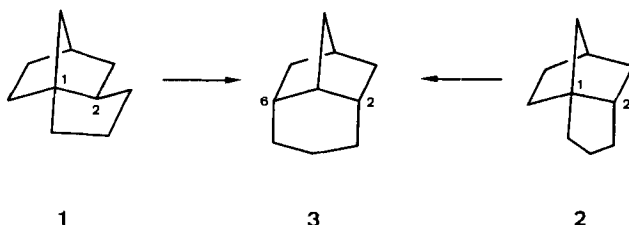
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In the AlBr_3 -catalyzed adamantane rearrangement in CS_2 of 1,2-*exo*-trimethylenenorbornane (**1**) to 2-*endo*,6-*endo*-trimethylenenorbornane (**3**), hydride-ion abstraction occurs at C(6) from the *exo*-side. The $k_{\text{H}}/k_{\text{D}}$ value for competition between **1** and **5** ($\text{D}_{\text{exo}}\text{-C}(6)$) was 1.58 ± 0.05 , whereas no kinetic isotope effect was operative for competition between unlabeled **1** and **4** ($\text{D}_{\text{endo}}\text{-C}(5)$) and between **1** and **6** ($\text{D}_{\text{endo}}\text{-C}(6)$).

1,2-*exo*-Trimethylene-8,9,10-trinorbornane (**1**)²⁾ represents one of the few isomers of the ‘adamantaneland’³⁾ for which the mechanism of its carbenium-ion rearrangement has been the subject of more detailed studies. *Schleyer et al.* [3] were successful to establish that 2-*endo*,6-*endo*-trimethylene-8,9,10-trinorbornane (**3**)²⁾ is an intermediate in the adamantane rearrangement of **1**.

Scheme 1



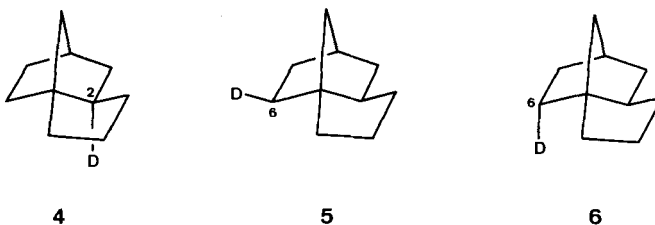
From our recent studies, evidence was gained that a degenerate rearrangement is involved in the AlBr_3 -catalyzed adamantane rearrangement in CS_2 of both 1,2-*exo*- (**1**)²⁾ and 1,2-*endo*-trimethylene-8,9,10-trinorbornane (**2**)²⁾ to **3**²⁾ [1]. To determine which H-atom in **1** is abstracted as a hydride ion, the three selectively mono-D-labeled 1,2-*exo*-compounds **4**⁴⁾ ($\text{D}_{\text{endo}}\text{-C}(2)$), **5**⁴⁾ ($\text{D}_{\text{exo}}\text{-C}(6)$) and **6**⁴⁾ ($\text{D}_{\text{endo}}\text{-C}(6)$) were prepared, and the kinetic isotope effects in competition experiments explored. Mixtures of

¹⁾ Part III: [1].

²⁾ For nomenclature, see [1].

³⁾ ‘Adamantaneland’: a set of 19 isomeric $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}$ -hydrocarbons [2–4].

⁴⁾ Compounds **4–6** correspond to the general formula B-D ($\text{R}^1 = \text{D}$, $\text{R}^2 = \text{R}^3 = \text{R}^4 = \text{H}$) of Scheme 3 in [1].



1 and **4**, **1** and **5** as well as **1** and **6** were subjected to the usual rearrangement conditions (AlBr_3 in CS_2 at -20°C). At various degrees of conversion, the mixtures were worked up, the reactants as well as the products isolated and their D-contents determined by mass spectroscopy. The results are listed in the *Table*.

The $k_{\text{H}}/k_{\text{D}}$ ratios for the disappearance of reactants were then calculated applying the standard procedures⁵⁾. Only for competition between **1** and **5** a distinct kinetic isotope effect could be observed: $k_{\text{H}}/k_{\text{D}} = 1.58 \pm 0.05$. This result provides conclusive evidence that in the AlBr_3 -catalyzed adamantane rearrangement of **1** to **3**, the hydride ion is abstracted predominantly, from the 6-*exo*-position, if not exclusively.

Synthesis of Compounds 4–6. – Hydroboration of the olefin **7** [6] with 9-borabicyclo[3.3.1]nonan (9-BBN) followed by acetylation of the crude product gave the acetate **8** (87%), which could easily be purified. Base hydrolysis (\rightarrow 84% of **9**) followed by oxidation with pyridinium chlorochromate led to the 3-oxo compound **10** (82%) with the 1,2-*endo*-skeleton. A small amount (5%) had already isomerized to the correspond-

Table. Competition Experiments

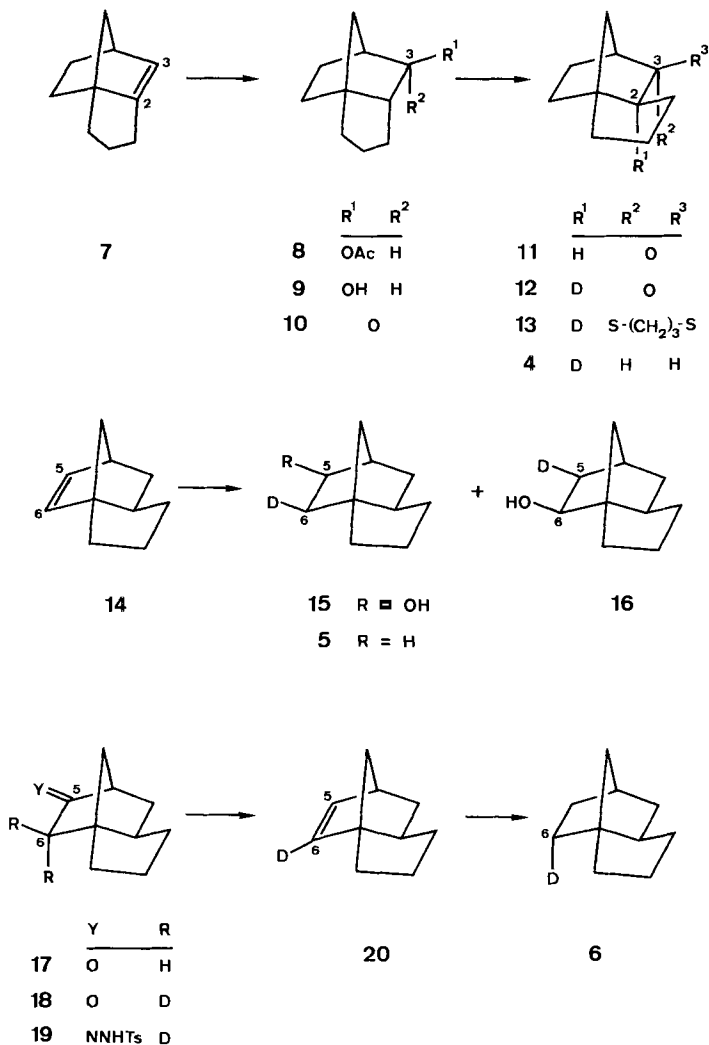
Competition experiment	Conversion [%]	D ₁ -Compounds [%]		
		Reactants	Products	Reactants + Products
1 + 4	–	46.0	–	46.0
	27.9	46.4	45.0	46.0
	42.5	46.2	45.1	45.7
	45.3	46.2	45.2	45.7
	52.9	46.4	46.1	46.2
1 + 5	–	46.5	–	46.5
	47.6	53.9	38.8	46.7
	51.0	54.5	37.6	45.9
	62.4	57.4	39.1	46.0
	69.3	60.0	40.5	46.5
1 + 6	–	38.3	–	38.3
	49.5	39.1	39.0	39.1
	56.3	38.8	38.1	38.4
	61.5	38.8	38.3	38.5
	65.1	39.0	37.2	37.8

⁵⁾ $k_{\text{A}}/k_{\text{B}} = \log ([\text{A}]_t/[\text{A}]_0)/\log ([\text{B}]_t/[\text{B}]_0)$ or
 $k_{\text{A}}/k_{\text{B}} = \{\log[(1 - x_t)/(1 - x_0)] + \log(1 - s)\} / \{\log(x_t/x_0) + \log(1 - s)\}$, where x_0 and x_t represent percentage of B/100, and s represents percentage of conversion/100 [5].

ing ketone **11** with the 1,2-*exo*-skeleton. The latter was obtained quantitatively on treatment of **10** with base. The D_{endo} -C(2) labeled compound **12** (97%) was prepared from ketone **10** with Na/CH₃OD. Finally the carbonyl function was removed on the one hand *via* the thioacetal **13** (88%) to yield the D_{endo} -C(2) labeled hydrocarbon **4** (17%), or on the other hand directly from ketone **12** by reduction with BF₃/Et₃SiH⁶) (37%).

The synthesis of **5** started from the olefin **14** [8]. In analogy to [8], deuteroboration gave a 2:1 mixture (87%) of the two alcohols **15** and **16**, which can easily be separated.

Scheme 2



⁶) On 'ionic hydrogenation', see [7] and references cited therein.

Subsequent treatment with SOCl_2 and reduction of the resulted mixture of chlorides by *Grignard* reaction yielded the $\text{D}_{\text{exo}}\text{-C}(6)$ labeled hydrocarbon **5**.

Base-catalyzed H/D-exchange in ketone **17** [8] afforded the (6-*endo*, 6-*exo*- D_2)-compound **18** (80%). Conversion to the *p*-toluenesulfonylhydrazone **19** (94%) followed by reaction with CH_3Li gave the $\text{D}\text{-C}(6)$ -olefin **20** (35%) which was reduced to the $\text{D}_{\text{endo}}\text{-C}(6)$ labeled hydrocarbon **6** (76%) by diimide.

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Experimental. - *General.* See [1]. For nomenclature *cf.* Footnote 2 in [1].

1,2-endo-Trimethylene-8,9,10-trinorbornane-3-exo-yl acetate (8). To a soln. of 1.3 g (9.7 mmol) of **7** [6] in 30 ml of THF (distilled over LiAlH_4), 3.5 g (28.7 mmol) of 9-BBN were added and the mixture refluxed for 1.5 h. After cooling to r.t., 7 ml of 3*N* NaOH and 7 ml of 30% H_2O_2 were added and the mixture refluxed for 1 h. Workup with Et_2O and chromatography in Et_2O /pentane 1:1 afforded the alcohol **9**, which immediately was treated with 12.3 ml of Ac_2O /pyridine 1:1 for 2 h at 60°. Workup with Et_2O and bulb-to-bulb distillation (110°/0.2 Torr) gave 1.64 g (87%) of **8**. IR: 1732s, 1475w, 1458m, 1362w, 1291m, 1242s, 1197w, 1115m, 1038m, 1018m, 980w, 970w, 912w. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (100 MHz): 1.0–2.2 (*m*, 14H); 1.93 (*s*, $\text{CH}_3\text{COO}_{\text{exo}}\text{-C}(3)$); 2.39 (*m*, $w_{1/2} \approx 8$, among others $J(4,5_{\text{exo}}) = 4$, H-C(4)); 4.09 (*d*, $J(2,3_{\text{endo}}) = 5$, $\text{H}_{\text{endo}}\text{-C}(3)$). MS: 194 (1, M^+ , $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{O}_2$), 152 (4), 151 (6), 134 (98), 133 (28), 124 (16), 119 (40), 106 (72), 105 (30), 93 (38), 92 (62), 91 (48), 79 (38), 67 (36), 43 (100), 41 (20).

1,2-endo-Trimethylene-8,9,10-norbornan-3-exo-ol (9). A soln. of 1.197 g (6.17 mmol) of **8** in 70 ml of a potash soln. (K_2CO_3 (15 g), H_2O (150 ml), CH_3OH (750 ml)) was refluxed for 2 h. Workup with Et_2O yielded 792 mg (84%) of **9**. IR: 3610m, 3340 br., 1460m, 1322m, 1291m, 1275m, 1209w, 1190w, 1115m, 1050s, 1021m, 1003s, 970w, 952w, 931w, 915w, 902w, 890w. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (100 MHz): 0.9–2.2 (*m*, 14H); 2.23 (*m*, $w_{1/2} \approx 8$, among others $J(4,5_{\text{exo}}) = 4$, H-C(4)); 2.77 (*s*, $\text{HO}_{\text{exo}}\text{-C}(3)$); 3.25 (*d*, $J(3_{\text{endo}},4) = 4$, $\text{H}_{\text{endo}}\text{-C}(3)$). $^{13}\text{C-NMR}$ (25 MHz): 21.04 (C(1')); 27.31, 27.46 (C(2), C(3')); 27.21, 27.51 (C(5), C(6)); 37.20 (C(7)); 51.92 (C(4)); 55.88 (C(1)); 64.92 (C(2)); 75.30 (C(3)). MS: 152 (5, M^+ , $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{O}$), 134 (55), 121 (87), 119 (55), 110 (21), 108 (26), 106 (34), 105 (26), 95 (42), 93 (74), 92 (55), 91 (47), 80 (84), 70 (63), 67 (100), 55 (32), 41 (43), 39 (24).

1,2-endo-Trimethylene-8,9,10-trinorbornan-3-one (10). A soln. of 1.5 g (6.98 mmol) of pyridinium chlorochromate in 50 ml of CH_2Cl_2 (filtered through *Alox B*) was treated under Ar at 0° with 295 mg (1.94 mmol) of **9** and stirred at r.t. for 2 h. Workup with Et_2O afforded a mixture of 239 mg (82%) of **10** and 12 mg (5%) of **11**. An analytical sample of **10** was obtained by prep. GLC (A: 150°). IR: 1742s, 1458m, 1338m, 1282m, 1210m, 1189m, 1168m, 1122w, 1102w, 1062m, 1032w, 1005m, 970m, 950w, 928w, 910w, 885m, 695m. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (300 MHz): 1.3–2.1 (*m*, 12H); 2.28 (*dd*, $J(2,3'a) \approx 11$, $J(2,3'b) \approx 8$, H-C(2)); 2.81 (*d*, $J(4,5_{\text{exo}}) = 5$, H-C(4)). MS: 150 (35, M^+ , $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}$), 132 (4), 122 (6), 121 (6), 119 (10), 107 (6), 94 (33), 93 (100), 81 (65), 80 (35), 79 (38), 67 (17), 55 (8), 53 (9), 41 (15), 39 (14).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-8,9,10-trinorbornan-3-one (11). A soln. of 42 mg (0.28 mmol) of a ~10:1 mixture of **10** and **11** (see above) in 2 ml of $\text{CH}_3\text{OH}/\text{NaOCH}_3$ (15 mg of Na in 2 ml of MeOH) was stirred at r.t. for 10 min. Workup with Et_2O gave 42 mg (quant.) of **11**. IR: 1740s, 1448m, 1322m, 1300w, 1270w, 1202w, 1172m, 1072m, 940m, 922w. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (100 MHz): 1.2–2.1 (*m*, 13H); 2.44 (*m*, $w_{1/2} \approx 8$, among others $J(4,5_{\text{exo}}) = 3$, H-C(4)). MS: 150 (28, M^+ , $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{14}\text{O}$), 132 (4), 122 (7), 121 (6), 119 (10), 107 (8), 94 (32), 93 (100), 81 (39), 80 (25), 79 (26), 67 (11), 55 (4), 53 (7), 41 (10), 39 (10).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[2-endo- $^2\text{H}_1$]-8,9,10-trinorbornan-3-one (12). A soln. of 210 mg (1.4 mmol) of a ~10:1 mixture of **10** and **11** (see above) in 6 ml of CH_3OD was treated with 50 mg of Na and stirred at r.t. for 30 min. Workup with Et_2O yielded 203 mg (97%) of **12**. IR: among others 2160w. $^1\text{H-NMR}$ (80 MHz, CDCl_3): 1.2–2.3 (*m*, 12H); 2.65 (*m*, $w_{1/2} \approx 8$, among others $J(4,5_{\text{exo}}) = 3$, H-C(4)). MS: 151 (33, M^+ , $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{13}\text{DO}$), 150 (10), 133 (4), 123 (6), 122 (7), 120 (8), 108 (6), 106 (10), 95 (14), 94 (35), 93 (100), 82 (33), 81 (35), 80 (35), 79 (23), 67 (10), 41 (10), 39 (9).

3,3-(Trimethylenedithio)-1,2-exo-trimethylene-[2-endo- $^2\text{H}_1$]-8,9,10-trinorbornan-3-one (13). To a soln. of 189 mg (1.25 mmol) of **12** in 4 ml of dry CHCl_3 , 0.13 ml (140 mg, 1.3 mmol) of freshly distilled 1,3-propanedithiol were added and the mixture stirred at r.t. for 1 h. After cooling to 0°, 0.7 ml of $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{Et}_2\text{O}$ were added and

stirring continued for additional 16 h at 0°. Workup with Et₂O yielded 267 mg (88%) of **13**. IR: 1452_m, 1432_m, 1422_m, 1415_m, 1375_w, 1295_w, 1270_m, 1235_w, 1157_w, 1130_w, 945_w, 930_w, 904_s, 872_w. ¹H-NMR (80 MHz, CDCl₃): 1.1–2.4 and 2.4–3.2 (2_m, 13H and 6H). MS: 242 (21), 241 (100, M⁺, C₁₃H₁₉DS₂), 240 (31), 194 (48), 167 (40), 166 (32), 165 (45), 145 (25), 134 (26), 119 (25), 106 (20), 93 (31), 86 (22), 84 (31), 43 (15), 41 (26).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[2-endo-²H₁]-8,9,10-trinorbornane (4). – a) From **13**. A soln. of 183 mg (0.76 mmol) of **13** in 10 ml of EtOH was treated with 3 g of Raney-Ni and stirred at r.t. for 16 h. Filtration through Celite, workup with pentane and bulb-to-bulb distillation (100°/20 Torr) led to 18 mg (17%) of **4**. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz): ~ 1.5–1.55, signal for H_{endo}-C(2) missing, ¹³C-NMR (25.2 MHz)⁷⁾: 26.50 (C(2^o)); 28.72 (C(1^o)); 29.51 (C(5)); 33.54 (C(3^o)); 33.61 (C(6)); 39.17 (C(4)); 39.93⁸⁾ (C(3)); 41.09 (C(7)); 48.00 (unlabeled C(2^o)); 56.34⁸⁾ (C(1)). MS: 138 (12), 137 (87, M⁺, C₁₀H₁₅D), 136 (31), 122 (49), 121 (46), 109 (31), 108 (46), 107 (33), 96 (31), 95 (67), 94 (100), 93 (41), 83 (38), 82 (37), 81 (54), 80 (82), 79 (62), 68 (43), 67 (45), 55 (13), 53 (13), 41 (23), 39 (21).

b) From **12** Directly. During 5 min BF₃ gas was passed through a soln. of 300 mg (1.99 mmol) of **12** in 5 ml of abs. CH₂Cl₂ and 900 μl of Et₃SiH. The mixture was washed with H₂O, concentrated by distilling off the solvent through a Vigreux column and **4** (101 mg, 37%) isolated by prep. GLC (B: 120°).

Deuteroboration of 14. In analogy to [8] 10 ml of 0.57M BD₃/THF was added at 0° to 2.001 g (14.9 mmol) of **14** in 5 ml of THF. After stirring at r.t. for 24 h 10 ml of 3N NaOH and 10 ml of 33% H₂O₂ were added and the mixture refluxed for 1 h. Workup with Et₂O afforded 1.988 g (87%) of a 2:1 mixture of the alcohols **15** and **16**. Analytical samples were obtained by prep. GLC (20% Carbowax M 2000, 180°).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[6-exo-²H₁]-8,9,10-trinorbornan-5-exo-ol (15). ¹H-NMR (300 MHz): 1.1–2.0 (m, 13H); 2.12 (d, J = 4, w_{1/2} ≈ 2 each, H-C(4)); 3.90 (d, J(Sendo, 6endo) = 6.8, w_{1/2} ≈ 3 each, H_{endo}-C(5)). MS: 154 (3.1), 153 (22.7, M⁺, C₁₀H₁₅DO), 152 (1.6), 135 (65), 134 (11), 124 (14), 122 (48), 120 (25), 119 (14), 109 (17), 108 (98), 107 (100), 106 (47), 97 (17), 96 (30), 95 (15), 94 (23), 93 (34), 92 (28), 91 (22), 82 (26), 81 (26), 80 (73), 79 (62), 78 (17), 77 (17), 68 (13), 67 (14), 66 (14), 41 (28).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[5-exo-²H₁]-8,9,10-trinorbornan-6-exo-ol (16). ¹H-NMR (300 MHz): 1.1–2.0 (m, 13H); 2.23 (m, w_{1/2} ≈ 7, H-C(4)); 3.62 (dd, J(Sendo, 6endo) = 6.7, J = 1.4 H_{endo}-C(6)). MS: 154 (7.5), 153 (56.7, M⁺, C₁₀H₁₅DO), 152 (4.6), 135 (26), 124 (13), 122 (14), 120 (12), 108 (24), 107 (100), 106 (62), 105 (12), 94 (13), 93 (20), 92 (16), 91 (19), 82 (17), 81 (19), 80 (36), 79 (55), 77 (16), 67 (35), 55 (13), 41 (26).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[6-exo-²H₁]-8,9,10-trinorbornane (5). To 1200 g (7.84 mmol) of a 2:1 mixture of **15** and **16** (see above) 5 ml (190 mmol) of SOCl₂ were dropped at -70°. After 4 h at r.t. the mixture was poured on ice/H₂O and extracted with pentane. The org. layer was washed with H₂O. Bulb-to-bulb distillation (160°/28 Torr) yielded 915 mg (68%) of a mixture of chlorides.

To 805 mg (33.1 mmol) of Mg in 55 ml of THF (distilled over LiAlH₄), 3.1 ml (36 mmol) of 1,2-dibromoethane were added and the mixture warmed to 90° for 2 h. After cooling to r.t., addition of 6.85 g (41.3 mmol) of KI, followed by 2.7 g of K (69.5 mmol), refluxing for 2 h, again cooling to r.t., 915 mg of the above chloride mixture in 3 ml of THF were added dropwise. Stirring for 12 h at r.t. and subsequent refluxing for 15 min, cooling to 0°, hydrolyzing with sat. NH₄Cl soln., extraction with pentane, washing with H₂O and bulb-to-bulb distillation (120°/24 Torr) gave 604 mg (83%) of a 2:1 mixture of two hydrocarbons, from which **5** was isolated by prep. GLC (B: 120°)⁹⁾. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz): ~ 1.55–1.6, signal for H_{exo}-C(6) missing, ¹³C-NMR (25.2 MHz)⁷⁾: 26.50 (C(2^o)); 28.65 (C(1^o)); 29.41⁸⁾ (C(5)); 33.25⁸⁾ (C(6)); 33.66 (C(3^o)); 39.16 (C(4)); 39.93 (C(3)); 41.07 (C(7)); 47.99 (C(2)); ~ 56.4⁸⁾ (C(1)). MS: 138 (11.9), 137 (100, M⁺, C₁₀H₁₅D), 136 (9.6), 123 (6), 122 (59), 121 (15), 109 (30), 108 (43), 107 (35), 96 (49), 95 (93), 94 (68), 93 (33), 92 (15), 83 (18), 82 (53), 81 (61), 80 (84), 79 (63), 68 (31), 67 (63), 66 (18), 55 (16), 53 (16), 41 (31).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[6-endo,6-exo-²H₂]-8,9,10-trinorbornan-5-one (18). A mixture of 1.397 g (9.313 mmol) of **17** [8], 10 ml of CH₃OD and 3 g (55.6 mmol) of NaOCH₃ was refluxed for 1 h and subsequently stirred at r.t. for 12 h. Et₂O (80 ml) was added and the org. layer washed twice with 2N HCl and H₂O to give 1.173 g (80%) of **18**. IR: among others 2115_w, 2130_w, 2208_w. MS: 153 (1.8), 152 (14.1, M⁺, C₁₀H₁₂D₂O), 151 (3.5), 123 (9), 107 (19), 106 (100), 83 (15), 81 (21), 80 (23), 79 (22), 41 (11).

⁷⁾ For the ¹³C-NMR of unlabeled **1**, see [6].

⁸⁾ The following characteristic features are observed in the ¹³C-NMR spectra of D-labeled compounds [9] compared to unlabeled ones: a) D-labeled C-atoms: *t* (¹J(C,D) ≈ 20 Hz), shifted by ~ 0.4 ppm to higher field, whereby the signals become very small for tertiary C-atoms; b) C-atoms α to D-labeled C-atoms: *t* (²J(C,D) < 1 Hz), shifted by ~ 0.1 ppm to higher field; c) C-atoms β to D-labeled C-atoms: *t* (³J(C,D) < 1 Hz), shifted by ~ 0.02 ppm to higher field.

⁹⁾ The second hydrocarbon is a D-labeled 2-endo,6-endo-trimethylene-8,9,10-trinorbornane.

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[6-endo,6-exo-²H₂]-8,9,10-trinorbornan-5-one p-Toluenesulfonylhydrazone (19). A mixture of 876 mg (5.76 mmol) of **18** and 1100 g (5.9 mmol) of TsNHNH₂ in 5 ml of AcOH was refluxed for 15 min. AcOH was distilled off under reduced pressure (20 Torr) and the residue chromatographed (220 g SiO₂) in Et₂O/hexane 3:1 to yield 1.738 g (94%) of **19**. M. p. 145–146°. MS: 320 (2.3, M⁺, C₁₇H₂₀D₂N₂O₂S), 319 (5.2), 318 (1), 165 (41), 164 (89), 163 (59), 137 (17), 136 (32), 135 (22), 122 (19), 121 (34), 120 (32), 119 (18), 107 (41), 106 (43), 105 (44), 94 (20), 93 (38), 92 (72), 91 (100), 81 (34), 80 (36), 79 (55), 78 (23), 77 (26), 67 (28), 66 (15), 65 (39), 41 (45).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[6-²H₁]-8,9,10-trinorborn-5-ene (20). A soln. of 1.605 g (5.02 mmol) of **19** in 150 ml of abs. Et₂O was treated at 0° with 10 ml of 1.6N CH₃Li in ether (16 mmol). After stirring at r.t. for 24 h, 1 ml of H₂O was added and stirring continued for 15 min. The mixture was dried (MgSO₄) and the solvent carefully distilled off through a Vigreux column. Bulb-to-bulb distillation (120°, 20 Torr) afforded 237 mg (35%) of **20**. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz): 1.13 (*dq*, *J*_{gem} = 7, *J* = 2, H^{C(5)}-C(7))¹⁰); 1.17–1.33 (*m*, 3H); 1.44 (*dt*, *J* = 12, *J* = 3.5, 1H); 1.45–1.6 (*m*, 1H); 1.67–2.0 (*m*, 5H); 2.88 (*m*, *w*_{1/2} ≈ 7, H-C(4)); 5.98 (*d*, *J*_{4,5} = 2.9, H-C(5)). MS: 136 (4.2), 135 (32, M⁺, C₁₀H₁₃D), 134 (7.8), 120 (18), 106 (15), 94 (18), 93 (100), 92 (53), 91 (18), 81 (89), 80 (68), 79 (25), 78 (25), 77 (16), 67 (13), 41 (10).

1,2-exo-Trimethylene-[6-endo-²H₁]-8,9,10-trinorbornane (6). A soln. of 61 mg (0.45 mmol) of **20** in 600 μl of AcOH/CH₃OH 1:1 was slowly added dropwise to a stirred suspension of 300 mg (1.55 mmol) of potassium azodicarboxylate: the decolorized solution was poured into pentane and the org. layer washed 3 times with H₂O and once with sat. NaHCO₃ solution. Bulb-to-bulb distillation (120°, 20 Torr) yielded 47 mg (76%) of **6**. ¹H-NMR (300 MHz): *ca.* 1.1–1.2, signal for H_{endo}-C(6) missing. MS: 138 (12), 137 (100, M⁺, C₁₀H₁₅D), 136 (10), 122 (59), 121 (15), 109 (30), 108 (43), 107 (35), 96 (50), 95 (93), 94 (68), 93 (33), 92 (15), 83 (18), 82 (53), 81 (61), 80 (84), 79 (63), 68 (31), 67 (63), 66 (18), 55 (16), 54 (14), 53 (16), 42 (15), 41 (31).

Rearrangements with AlBr₃ in CS₂. – General Procedure. To 120 μl of AlBr₃ solution under Ar (prepared from 60 mg of AlBr₃ and 600 μl of CS₂), precooled to –20°, 60 μl of a solution of 80 mg of **4**, **5** and **6**, resp., 80 mg of **1** and 160 mg of dodecane (internal standard) in 320 μl of CS₂ (also precooled to –20°) was added under stirring. The reaction was quenched by adding 5 ml of a 3:1 mixture of Et₂O and pyridine (precooled to –100°) and worked up: 10 ml of Et₂O were added and the org. layer washed with 2N HCl. From this solution on the one hand by further dilution with Et₂O, the rate of conversion was determined by capillary GLC (3 measurements in each case). On the other hand the solvent was removed by distillation through a Vigreux column. Reactants and products were separated by prep. GLC to determine their D-contents by MS with correction for natural abundance of ¹³C. The results are listed in the Table.

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¹⁰) The index indicates toward which C-atom the H-atom is orientated.