

to give **5a**, mp 139–141 °C, in 80% yield.

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71463-13-3; **5e**, 71463-14-4; 1-*n*-butyl-3-methyl-3-phenyldiaziridine, 71463-15-5; 1-cyclohexyl-3-ethyl-3-phenyldiaziridine, 41316-28-3;  $\alpha$ -methylbenzylidene-*n*-butylamine, 6907-75-1;  $\alpha$ -ethylbenzylidene-cyclohexylamine, 6125-76-4; HAOSA, 2950-43-8; *p*-methoxyphenyl isocyanate, 5416-93-3; 1-cyclohexyl-1,2-bis(phenylcarbamoyl)hydrazine, 41316-46-5; acetophenone, 98-86-2.

**Supplementary Material Available:** Table II, interatomic distances and angles; Table III, deviations from the best plane through various atom groups; Tables IV and V, final positional and thermal parameters (5 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

## Generation of $\alpha$ -Keto Cations. Quantitative Aspects

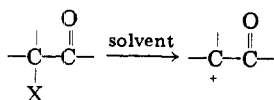
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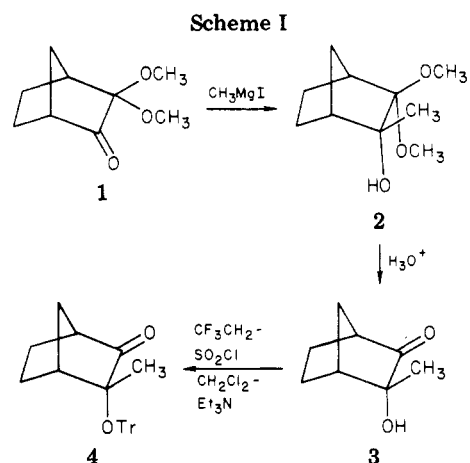
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*exo*-3-Methylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-on-*endo*-3-yl tresylate (**4**) undergoes acetolysis to give two unrearranged products, ketone **5** and keto acetate **6**, along with rearranged keto acetate **7** and ketone **8**. These products are suggested to arise via the intermediacy of a discrete  $\alpha$ -keto cation **9**. The  $\alpha$ -methyl-*d*<sub>3</sub> isotope effect is 1.47 and suggests an extremely large demand for hyperconjugative stabilization. The rate-retarding effect of the  $\alpha$ -keto group is estimated at 10<sup>7.3</sup> in this system. *exo*-3-Arylbicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-on-*endo*-3-yl mesylates and trifluoroacetates **19–24** also give solvolysis products derived from  $\alpha$ -keto cations. These benzylic  $\alpha$ -keto cations are not prone to rearrange when the aryl group is phenyl, *p*-toluyl, *p*-thioanisyl, or *p*-anisyl, but rearrangement can occur with the *p*-trifluoromethyl substituent. The effect of aryl substituents on the rate of solvolysis suggests a  $\rho^+$  value of about  $-7.1$ , again implying a large demand for aryl stabilization. Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-2-on-*exo*-3-yl triflate (**34**) also solvolyzes readily to give products consistent with neighboring  $\sigma$  participation and not via a discrete secondary  $\alpha$ -keto cation. A similar  $k_A$  process also accounts for the rapid solvolysis of the triflate derivative of pivaloin, **39**. The triflate and mesylate derivatives of  $\alpha$ -hydroxycyclohexanone are very labile and gave unrearranged acetolysis products. A deuterium-labeling study supports a mechanism involving enolization followed by solvolysis of an enol allylic triflate.

Recently we have been interested in the chemistry of  $\alpha$ -keto triflates.<sup>2</sup> We have found that these substrates undergo a diversity of mechanistic processes when treated with bases and nucleophiles. During the course of these studies, it became obvious that certain of these triflates were surprisingly reactive even in the absence of strong nucleophiles. This suggested solvolytic processes despite the presence of the potent electron-withdrawing carbonyl group.



We therefore wanted to determine whether solvolytically generated  $\alpha$ -keto cations were viable intermediates. While such intermediates have been suggested in the past,<sup>3</sup> not much is known about the effect of the carbonyl group on the rate of generation of a cationic species. Our additional objectives were therefore to determine, quantitatively, the destabilizing effect of the  $\alpha$ -keto group on a carbocationic



center and to evaluate rearrangement processes in such cations.

## Results and Discussion

**Tertiary  $\alpha$ -Keto Systems.** The norbornyl system, with its semipredictable rearrangement patterns, appeared to be ideal for an evaluation of  $\alpha$ -keto cation systems. It was felt that, initially, tertiary  $\alpha$ -keto cation systems would be the easiest to generate and evaluate quantitatively. Our initial synthetic target was, therefore, a derivative of keto alcohol **3**. This  $\alpha$ -hydroxy ketone was prepared in a straightforward manner from the ketone **1** and methyl-

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(3) (a) Karavan, V. S.; Temnikova, T. I. *J. Org. Chem. USSR. (Engl. Transl.)* **1966**, *2*, 1399–1404. (b) Temnikova, T. I.; Karavan, V. S. *J. Gen. Chem. USSR. (Engl. Transl.)* **1964**, *34*, 3204–10. (c) McDonald, R. N.; Tabor, T. E. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1967**, *89*, 6573–8. (d) McDonald, R. N.; Tabor, T. E. *J. Org. Chem.* **1968**, *33*, 2934–41. (e) Begue, J. P.; Malissard, M. *Tetrahedron* **1978**, *34*, 2095–103 and references therein.

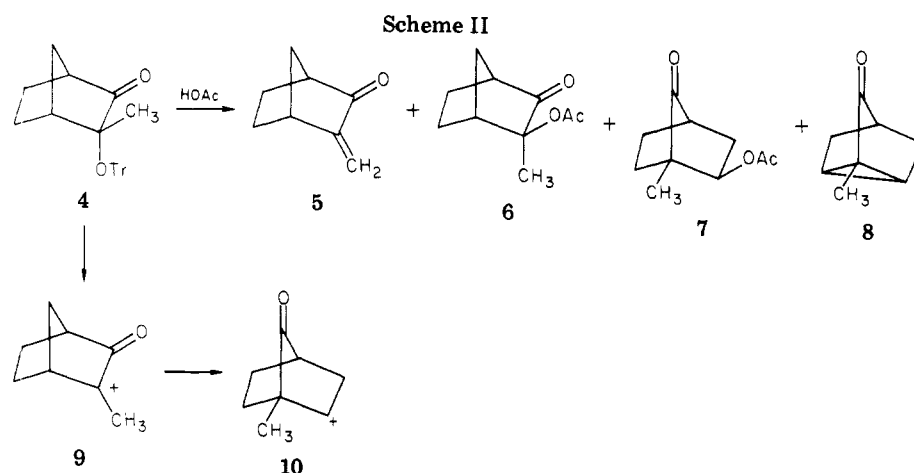


Table I. Solvolysis Rates in Acetic Acid-0.1 M NaOAc

compd	temp, °C	$k$ , s <sup>-1</sup>	$\Delta H^\ddagger$ , kcal	$\Delta S^\ddagger$ , eu
4	25.0 <sup>a</sup>	$4.29 \times 10^{-8}$	27.2	-1
	80.0	$6.45 \times 10^{-5}$		
	100.0	$5.44 \times 10^{-4}$		
4- <i>d</i> <sub>3</sub>	80.0	$4.39 \times 10^{-5}$		
15	25.0	$1.48 \times 10^{-5}$	24.3	1
	50.0	$3.86 \times 10^{-4}$		
19	16.0	$1.21 \times 10^{-4}$	22.1	0
	21.0	$2.36 \times 10^{-4}$		
	25.0 <sup>a</sup>	$3.97 \times 10^{-4}$		
20	25.0 <sup>a</sup>	$1.78 \times 10^{-9}$	29.3	0
	100.0	$4.66 \times 10^{-5}$		
	120.0	$3.67 \times 10^{-4}$		
21	25.0 <sup>a</sup>	$1.89 \times 10^{-7}$	26.3	-1
	70.0	$7.34 \times 10^{-5}$		
	90.0	$6.50 \times 10^{-4}$		
22	25.0	$4.41 \times 10^{-5}$	22.3	-4
	50.0	$8.80 \times 10^{-4}$		
23	25.0	$3.45 \times 10^{-4}$		
24	25.0 <sup>a</sup>	$2.82 \times 10^{-7}$	25.7	-2
	70.0	$9.52 \times 10^{-5}$		
	90.0	$8.01 \times 10^{-4}$		
25	25.0	$1.26 \times 10^{-3}$		
34	25.0 <sup>a</sup>	$2.58 \times 10^{-6}$	23.8	-4
	50.0	$6.28 \times 10^{-5}$		
	70.0	$5.80 \times 10^{-4}$		
39	25.0 <sup>a</sup>	$4.15 \times 10^{-6}$	24.2	-2
	45.0	$5.79 \times 10^{-5}$		
	65.0	$5.94 \times 10^{-4}$		
43	40.0	$4.63 \times 10^{-5}$	17.3	-23
	60.0	$2.62 \times 10^{-4}$		
	80.0 <sup>a</sup>	$1.22 \times 10^{-3}$		
45	60.0 <sup>a</sup>	$4.88 \times 10^{-6}$	20.7	-21
	80.0	$3.05 \times 10^{-5}$		
	100.0	$1.58 \times 10^{-4}$		

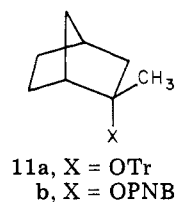
<sup>a</sup> Extrapolated value.

magnesium iodide followed by hydrolysis (Scheme I). The triflate derivative of 3 proved too reactive for convenient preparation, and hence the less reactive trifluoroethanesulfonate<sup>4</sup> (tresylate) derivative 4 was chosen so that solvolysis rates could be conveniently monitored. Acetolysis of 4 gave a mixture of four products as shown in Scheme II. Ketones 5 and 8 (40% of the products) were

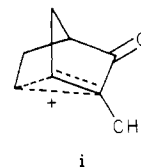
produced in a 1.2 to 1 ratio while keto acetates 6 and 7 (60% of the products) were found in a 0.6 to 1 ratio. Rate data are given in Table I.

The primary question concerning the solvolysis of 4 involves the formation of an  $\alpha$ -keto cation as a discrete intermediate. It is felt that the acetolysis products strongly suggest that such an intermediate, cation 9, is involved. The formation of 5 and 6 implies that the cation lives long enough to undergo elimination and solvent capture. Products 7 and 8 are suggested to arise via Wagner-Meerwein rearrangement of a classical ion 9. It is important to note that the stereochemistry of the tresylate leaving group in 4 precludes concerted Wagner-Meerwein rearrangement. Therefore, the observation of rearranged products suggests a stepwise process involving 9.

While supporting the discrete intermediacy of 9, products 7 and 8 also attest to its inherent instability. The tertiary  $\alpha$ -keto cation 9 rearranges to 10,<sup>5</sup> a secondary cation. This suggests that the stabilizing effect of the methyl group<sup>6</sup> can be more than offset by the  $\alpha$ -keto group. Quantitatively, what is the rate retarding effect of the  $\alpha$ -keto group on the formation of 9? The solvolysis rate of 11a was chosen for comparison and is estimated<sup>7</sup> at 8

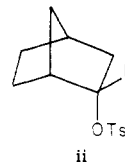


(5) We have no evidence supporting or ruling out the involvement of nonclassical ion i, and hence the discussion is in terms of the classical ion 10.



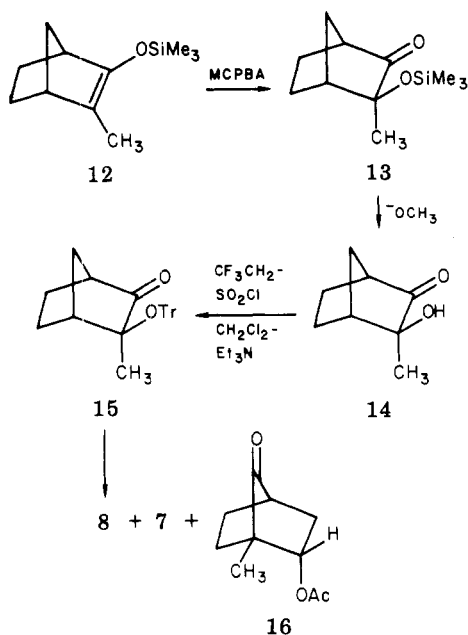
(6) Schleyer estimates that, in terms of rate, methyl stabilization can approach values of 10<sup>8</sup> for limiting solvolyses. See: Fry, J. L.; Harris, J. M.; Bingham, R. C.; Schleyer, P. v. R. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1970, 92, 2540-2.

(7) This value was estimated by multiplying the acetolysis rate of ii ( $8.28 \times 10^{-8} \text{ s}^{-1}$ )<sup>8</sup> by a factor of 10<sup>2</sup> (the tresylate/tosylate ratio)<sup>4</sup> and by a factor of 10<sup>4.98</sup> (the  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>3</sub>/ $\alpha$ -H ratio for the endo norbornyl system).<sup>9</sup>



(4) Crossland, R. K.; Wells, W. E.; Shiner, V. J., Jr. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1971, 93, 4217-22.

Scheme III



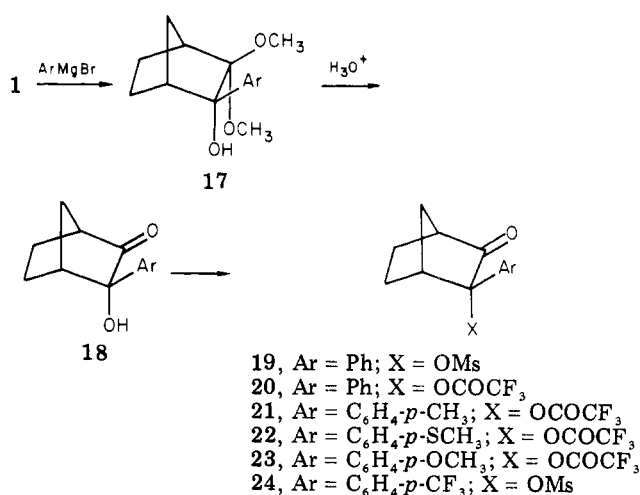
$\times 10^{-1} \text{ s}^{-1}$  at 25 °C in acetic acid. The 11a to 4 ratio is therefore  $10^{7.3}$  and hence implies a carbonyl group rate-retarding effect of this magnitude on the formation of  $\alpha$ -keto cation 9.

$\beta$ -Deuterium isotope effects have been shown to be a good measure of the demands for hyperconjugative stabilization in a developing cationic center.<sup>10,11</sup> The methyl- $d_3$  isotope effect has been measured for 11b and is 1.26,<sup>11</sup> a value considered quite normal for such tertiary systems. We therefore sought to determine the analogous isotope effect in 4. The enormous inductive destabilizing effect of the carbonyl group should be manifested in an increased methyl- $d_3$  isotope effect. Hence the deuterated analogue 4- $d_3$  was prepared. The synthetic scheme was identical with the preparation of 4 but employed methyl- $d_3$ -magnesium iodide. The measured isotope effect was  $1.47 \pm 0.01$ , one of the largest methyl- $d_3$  isotope effects seen to date,<sup>13</sup> and attests to the huge demand for hyperconjugative stabilization in 9. The  $\beta$ -deuterium isotope effect reinforces the notion based on product and rate data that 9 is quite destabilized.

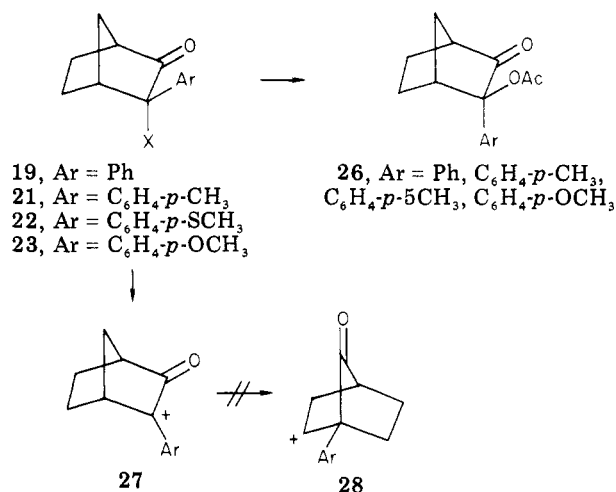
Attention was next focused on the behavior of the epimeric tresylate 15, prepared as shown in Scheme III. Treatment of silyl enol ether 12 with *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (MCPBA) introduced oxygen from the exo face of 12 with resultant exo stereochemistry of the alcohol function in 14. Preparation of the highly reactive tresylate 15 was accomplished in the standard manner.

Acetolysis of 15 occurred 300 times faster than that of 4 to give a mixture of ketone 8 (1 part) and acetates 7 and

Scheme IV



Scheme V



16 (4 parts) in a 5:1 ratio. The formation of endo acetate 16 is reminiscent of the solvolysis of 7-keto-*exo*-norborn-2-yl tosylate which also produces significant amounts of an endo acetate product.<sup>14</sup> The products of acetolysis of 15 can all be derived from Wagner-Meerwein rearrangement of 15. The exo/endo rate ratio (15 to 4) of only 300<sup>15</sup> does not allow one to classify the acetolysis of 15 as a  $\sigma$ -assisted ( $k_{\Delta}$ ) or a stepwise ionization ( $k_c$ )-rearrangement process. However, in view of the previously demonstrated demand for stabilization in classical ion 9, and the stereochemistry of the leaving group in 15, the  $k_{\Delta}$  process appears quite attractive.

**Benzylic  $\alpha$ -Keto Systems.** The effect of aryl stabilization on the  $\alpha$ -keto cation was next investigated. The requisite substrates were prepared in a manner analogous to the preparation of 4 from ketone 1 and the corresponding Grignard reagents as shown in Scheme IV. Solvolytic studies were carried out on the mesylate or trifluoroacetates since these derivatives could be readily prepared despite high reactivity. Rate data are given in Table I. A comparison of the solvolysis rate of 20 with that of the deoxy derivative 25 implies a rate-retarding carbonyl effect of  $10^{5.8}$ . This is less than the estimated value of  $10^{7.3}$  in the methyl analogues 4 and 11 and is in line with the

(8) Schleyer, P. v. R.; Donaldson, M. M.; Watts, W. E. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1965, 87, 375-6.

(9) The  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>3</sub>/ $\alpha$ -H ratio of  $10^{4.98}$  for the endo norbornyl system was calculated from the data of Schleyer<sup>8</sup> and Brown. See: Brown, H. C.; Rei, M. H. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1964, 86, 5004-5, 5009-10. This value corresponds well to the value of  $10^{4.96}$  that can be calculated from the SBS relationship<sup>10</sup> using a value of 1.26 for the  $\alpha$ -methyl- $d_3$  isotope effect.<sup>11</sup>

(10) Fisher, R. D.; Seib, R. C.; Shiner, V. J., Jr.; Szele, I.; Tomić, M.; Sunko, D. E. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1975, 97, 2408-13.

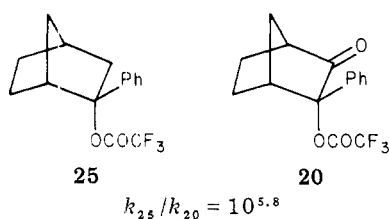
(11) Muller, R. J.; Winternitz, C.; Murr, B. L. *J. Org. Chem.* 1975, 40, 412-4.

(12) For leading references, see: Shiner, V. J., Jr.; Buddenbaum, W. E.; Murr, B. L.; Lamaty, G. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1968, 90, 418-26.

(13) We do not know to what extent rate-limiting elimination at an ion-pair stage increases the isotope effect. Shiner and Sunko have suggested that this occurrence can complicate the interpretation of  $\beta$ -deuterium isotope effects.<sup>10</sup>

(14) Gassman, P. G.; Marshall, J. L. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1966, 88, 2822-30.

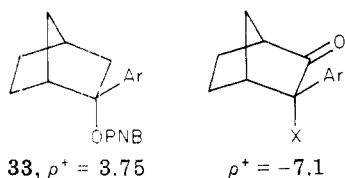
(15) Brown has shown that systems giving classical substituted norbornyl cations can give exo/endo rate ratios of this magnitude. See: (a) Brown, H. C.; Takenchi, K. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1968, 90, 2691-4. (b) Brown, H. C.; Ravindranathan, M.; Takenchi, K.; Peters, E. N. *Ibid.* 1975, 97, 2899-900.



greater stabilizing influence of the phenyl group relative to methyl.

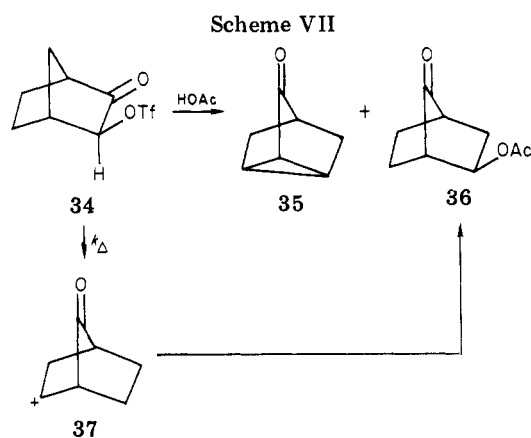
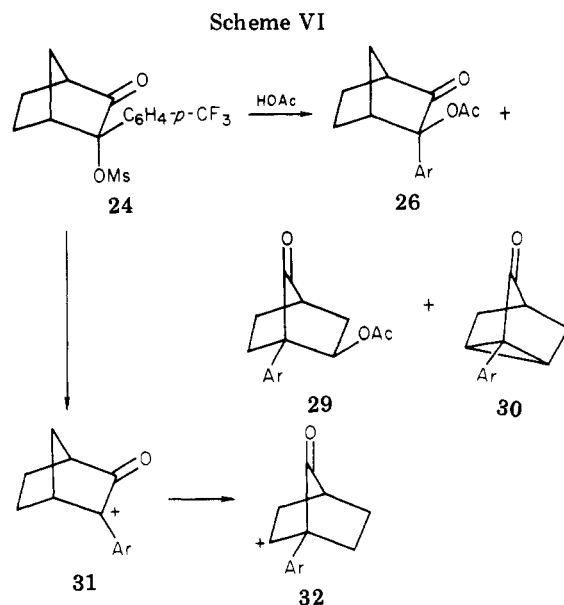
Acetolysis of mesylate 19 and trifluoroacetates 21, 22, and 23 gave single products, exo acetates 26, as shown in Scheme V. These products are suggested to arise via the aryl-stabilized  $\alpha$ -keto cations 27. No rearranged products are seen, implying that the phenyl, *p*-toluyl, *p*-thioanisyl, and *p*-anisyl groups are sufficiently stabilizing to offset rearrangement to 28. This is in contrast to the behavior of 9 and also to the behavior of mesylate 24. Acetolysis of 24 gave, in addition to 67% of unrearranged acetate 26 (Ar = C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>4</sub>-*p*-CF<sub>3</sub>), significant amounts (18%) of 29 and tricyclic ketone 30 (15%) (Scheme VI). The products were all stable under the reaction conditions. The formation of 29 implies insufficient aryl stabilization in 31 to offset Wagner–Meerwein rearrangement. Ketone 30 could, in principle, arise from proton elimination in either 31 or 32. However, if the elimination occurred from 32 and not 31, this would account for the lack of analogous ketonic products in the solvolysis of 19, 21, 22, and 23.

The tool of increasing electron demand<sup>16</sup> has been used to explore the effect of structure on the stability of cations produced solvolytically. For example, Brown has found a good correlation between the  $\rho^+$  value in solvolyses of 1-arylcycloalkyl *p*-nitrobenzoates and the cation stabilities as measured by absolute solvolysis rates of the corresponding 1-*p*-anisylcycloalkyl *p*-nitrobenzoates.<sup>17</sup> We have therefore used the rate data in Table I to calculate the  $\rho^+$  value for the acetolyses of trifluoroacetates 20, 21, 22, and 23. The value is  $-7.1$ . While it is not entirely valid to compare  $\rho$  values obtained by using differing solvent systems and leaving groups, Brown has presented evidence that, for the cyclopropyl system, changes in  $\rho$  value on changing solvent and leaving group are small.<sup>17b</sup> The value of  $-7.1$  seen in the present case is among the largest  $\rho$  values seen to date, being approached only by the "corrected" value of  $-7.1$  recently reported by Brown for the cyclopropyl system.<sup>18</sup> This compares to a value of  $-3.75$  for the deoxy system 33.<sup>15b</sup> While the  $-7.1$  value may

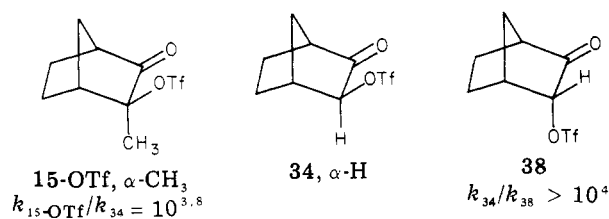


differ slightly with leaving group and solvent, this value again reinforces the idea of an enormous cation destabilizing effect due to  $\alpha$ -keto substitution.

**Secondary  $\alpha$ -Keto Systems.** With the above results in mind, efforts were turned to secondary systems. Surprisingly, triflate 34 was quite reactive in solvolysis despite being a secondary system (Scheme VII). Nor-



tricyclanone 35 and keto acetate 36 were the acetolysis products in a 1:4 ratio. From rate data on the formation of the tertiary  $\alpha$ -keto cation 9, it was felt that solvolysis of 34 was much too rapid to involve a secondary  $\alpha$ -keto cation. The  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>3</sub>/ $\alpha$ -H rate ratio (15-OTf:34) was only  $10^{3.8}$ , a value smaller than the value of  $10^5$  for the deoxy



system and the suggested limiting value<sup>6</sup> of approximately  $10^8$ . This reduced  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>3</sub>/ $\alpha$ -H value is entirely consistent with a large rate enhancement in the solvolysis of 34. This enhancement we attribute to  $\sigma$  participation in 34.

The same conclusion is reached on the basis of the exo/endo rate ratio. We have been unable to achieve significant reaction of the endo triflate 38 even on heating at 150 °C in acetic acid or at 120 °C in the highly ionizing trifluoroacetic acid solvent<sup>19</sup> for 1 h. We can, therefore, only place a lower limit on the exo/endo rate ratio of 34/38. This estimated exo/endo ratio is greater than  $10^4$ , a value viable with significant rate enhancement in the solvolysis of 34.

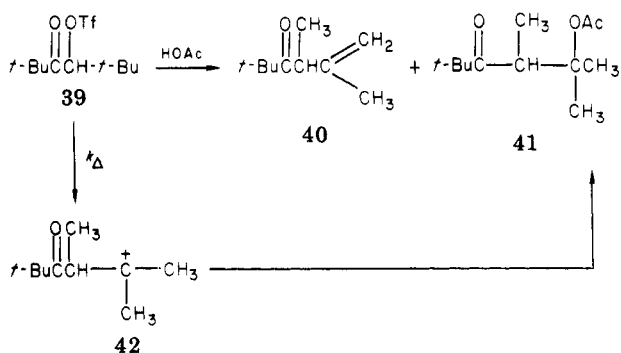
(16) (a) Gassman, P. G.; Fentiman, A. F., Jr. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1970, 92, 2549–51. (b) Brown, H. C. "The Nonclassical Ion Problem"; Plenum Press: New York, 1977.

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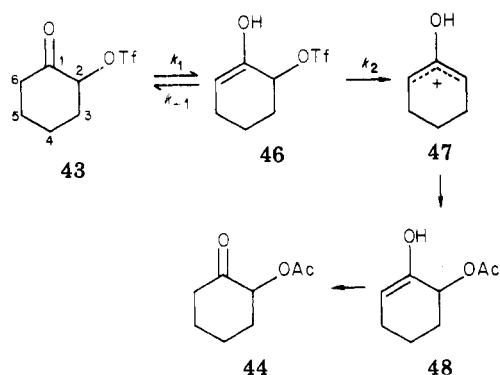
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Scheme VIII

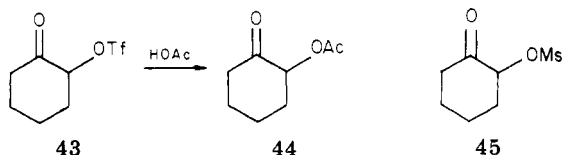


Scheme IX



Rate data in Table I show that triflate **39** is also quite reactive. Examination of the acetolysis products (Scheme VIII) confirms the reasons for the high reactivity. Ketone **40** and keto acetate **41**, which are produced in comparable amounts, can be readily derived from neighboring methyl participation, bypassing the secondary  $\alpha$ -keto cation.

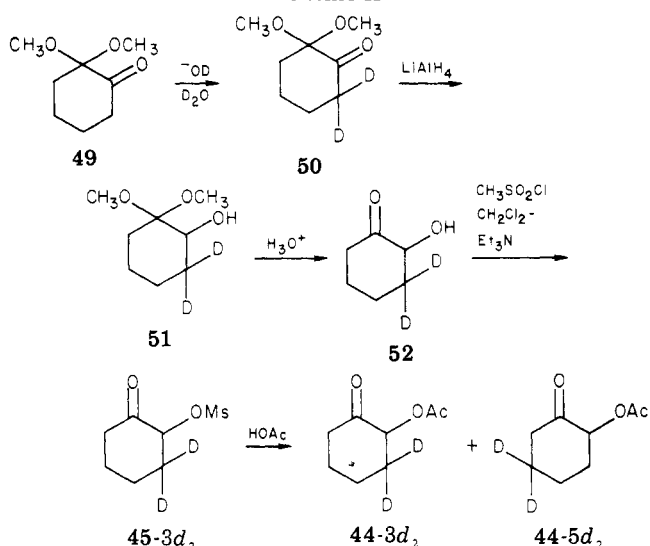
$\alpha$ -Keto triflate **43** also undergoes acetolysis at a relatively low temperature. However, unlike triflates **34** and **39**, acetolysis of **43** gives an unrearranged acetate **44**. Rates



are much too fast to be explained by a  $k_c$  process. The unrearranged product argues against a  $k_{\Delta}$  process. The corresponding mesylate **45** was prepared and solvolyzed. From the data in Table I it can be seen that triflate **43** solvolyzes only 40 times faster than mesylate **45**. This compares with normal triflate/mesylate rate ratios of the order of  $10^4$ – $10^5$  for most solvolytic processes.<sup>20</sup> The entropy of activation for acetolysis of **43** was  $-23$  eu, a value quite different from the other values in Table I and inconsistent with  $k_s$ ,  $k_c$ , or  $k_{\Delta}$  processes.

A possible mechanistic alternative is shown in Scheme IX. This mechanism involves solvolysis of an enol allylic triflate **46**. A similar mechanism has been suggested by Bordwell<sup>21</sup> in the reaction of certain halo ketones with alkoxide to account for simple substitution products. In the case of **43**, enol formation could be rate determining, and rate data would reflect the enolization process and not the ionization process. Such a mechanism would be consistent with the observed entropy of activation, trif-

Scheme X



late/mesylate ratio, and unrearranged product. We therefore sought to verify this mechanism by means of a labeling study. If solvolysis of **43** (and **45**) indeed involves **47**, then solvent capture could occur at either position 2 or position 6. Placement of a label at position 3 should result in scrambling of the label to the 5 position of the product if the mechanism in Scheme IX is operative.

The requisite labeled substrate, mesylate **45-3d<sub>2</sub>**, was prepared as shown in Scheme X. Exchange of ketone **49** followed by hydride reduction gave alcohol **51**. The ketal function could be hydrolyzed, without scrambling of the label, to **52**. The mesylate derivative was prepared by the Servis procedure<sup>22</sup> since the standard Tipson procedure,<sup>23</sup> using pyridine as solvent, gave virtually no mesylate. Acetolysis of **45-3d<sub>2</sub>** gave equal amounts of **44-3d<sub>2</sub>** and **44-5d<sub>2</sub>** as determined by <sup>13</sup>C NMR. The <sup>13</sup>C spectral assignments ( $\delta$ ) in unlabeled acetate **44** are shown.

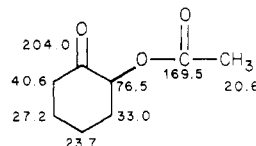


Figure 1 shows partial <sup>13</sup>C spectra of **44**, **44-3d<sub>2</sub>**, and the acetolysis products of **45-3d<sub>2</sub>**. The spectrum of an authentic sample of pure **44-3d<sub>2</sub>** (prepared by acetylation of **51** followed by hydrolysis) is identical with that of **44** except for the absence of the C<sub>3</sub> signal at  $\delta$  33.1. The unenhanced quintet due to C<sub>3</sub> is not visible under the spectral conditions. The acetolysis product from **45-3d<sub>2</sub>** shows signals at  $\delta$  33.0 (C<sub>3</sub>) and 27.1 (C<sub>5</sub>) of equal intensity but of about half of the intensity of the corresponding signals in the unlabeled acetate **44**. Therefore, scrambling of the label between the 3 and 5 positions has occurred. Additionally, the solvolysis product shows two closely separated C<sub>6</sub> signals at  $\delta$  40.6 and 40.4 as a result of a chemical-shift isotope effect<sup>24</sup> due to deuterium substitution at C<sub>5</sub> in **44-5d<sub>2</sub>**. This further confirms that scrambling of the C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>5</sub> positions has occurred. The remainder of the spectrum was identical with that of unlabeled **44**. The mechanism shown in Scheme IX is therefore entirely consistent with this labeling study.

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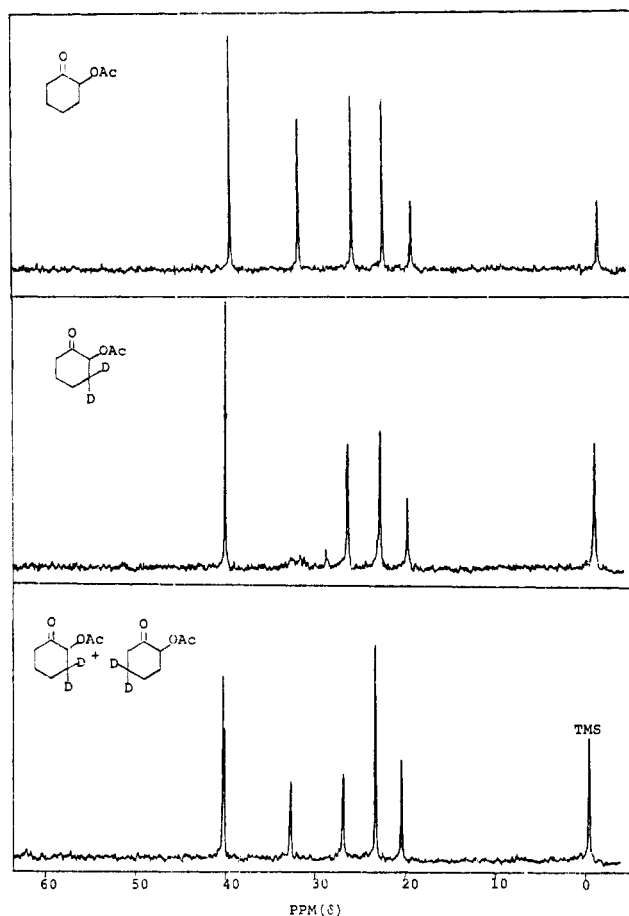


Figure 1.  $^{13}\text{C}$  NMR spectra of 44, 44- $3d_2$ , and the acetolysis products of 45- $3d_2$ .

**Conclusions.** The solvolytic generation of tertiary and tertiary-benzylic  $\alpha$ -keto cations is entirely feasible. However, these cations are among the most unstable tertiary cations known as reflected by the rates of generation, the  $\alpha$ -methyl- $d_3$  isotope effects, the large  $\rho^+$  value in aryl systems, and their propensity for rearrangement. Secondary  $\alpha$ -keto cations have so far eluded generation. Although certain secondary  $\alpha$ -keto substrates give rapid solvolysis reactions, the mechanisms have been found to involve  $k_A$  processes or enolization-solvolysis processes and not the generation of discrete secondary  $\alpha$ -keto cations.

### Experimental Section

NMR spectra were recorded on a Varian A-60A or Varian XL-100 spectrometer and are reported in  $\delta$  (parts per million) relative to tetramethylsilane. Mass spectra were recorded on an AEI Scientific Apparatus MS 902 spectrometer. Infrared spectra were recorded on a Perkin-Elmer Infracord spectrometer.

**Preparation of *exo*-3-Methyl-*endo*-3-hydroxybicyclo-[2.2.1]heptan-2-one, 3.** Methyl Grignard reagent was prepared from 1.2 g of methyl iodide and 0.25 g of magnesium in 8 mL of ether. The solution was cooled to 0 °C, and 1.0 g of 3,3-dimethoxynorcamphor<sup>25</sup> (1) in 5 mL of ether was added dropwise. After 5 min, ammonium chloride solution was added, and a standard aqueous workup followed. Solvent was removed by a rotary evaporator, leaving crude alcohol 2.<sup>26</sup> The crude alcohol was stirred with 8 mL of 2% sulfuric acid and 2.5 mL of tetrahydrofuran (THF) for 25 min. Solid  $\text{NaHCO}_3$  was added, and the mixture was extracted with ether. After being dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , the solvent was removed by rotary evaporator. The solid alcohol 3 was slurried with pentane and collected. The yield of

3 was 0.55 g (67% based on 1): mp 66–67 °C; NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  2.89 (1 H, brs, exchanges with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ), 2.69–2.30 (2 H, m), 2.3–1.3 (6 H, m), 1.22 (3 H, s); mass spectroscopic mol wt 140.0829 (calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$  140.0837). An identical procedure was used for the preparation of the deuterated analogue of 3 by using methyl- $d_3$  iodide (Stohler Isotope Chemicals; 99.5% D).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$ : C, 68.54; H, 8.63. Found: C, 68.58; H, 8.53.

**Preparation of 4 and 4- $d_3$ .** Alcohol 3 (400 mg) and 400 mg of triethylamine were dissolved in 14 mL of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and cooled in an ice-salt bath. Tresyl chloride<sup>4</sup> (600 mg) was added dropwise. After being stirred for 10 min, the mixture was warmed to approximately 10 °C. The mixture was taken up into ether and extracted with water and dilute HCl. After being dried over  $\text{MgSO}_4$ , the solvent was removed by rotary evaporator. The yield of 4 was 750 mg (92%), and the crude product was used for further studies: NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  4.02 (2 H, q,  $J = 8.8$  Hz), 2.98 (1 H, m), 2.70 (1 H, m), 2.3–1.4 (6 H, m), 1.64 (3 H, s). The deuterated analogue 4- $d_3$  was prepared in an identical manner. The NMR spectrum was identical except for the absence of the singlet at  $\delta$  1.64.

**Preparation of 12.** Lithium tetramethylpiperidide was prepared from 2.73 g of tetramethylpiperidine and 13.2 mL of 1.4 M methyl lithium. The mixture was cooled to -78 °C, and 2.0 g of *exo*-3-methylnorcamphor in 8 mL of ether was added over 30 min. The mixture was warmed to -40 °C and recooled to -78 °C, and 2.77 g of chlorotrimethylsilane was added. The mixture was stirred at room temperature for 2 h, and an aqueous workup followed. The amine was removed by washing the ether extract with a cold solution of 2.63 g of  $\text{KHSO}_4$  in water. After being dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , solvents were removed by distillation through a Vigreux column. The residue was distilled through a Vigreux column to give 2.76 g (87%) of 12: bp 74 °C (14 mm); NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  2.50 (2 H, m), 1.9–0.7 (11 H, m with sharp singlet at 1.45), 0.13 (9 H, s).

Anal. Calcd for  $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{20}\text{OSi}$ : C, 67.28; H, 10.27. Found: C, 67.03; H, 9.99.

**Preparation of 14.** The general procedure of Rubottom<sup>27</sup> was used. Silyl enol ether 12 (2.3 g) was dissolved in 10 mL of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  and cooled in an ice-salt bath. A solution of 2.16 g of 85% *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid dissolved in a minimum amount of  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  was added dropwise. The mixture was stored for 2 h at -20 °C and then taken up into ether. The mixture was then washed with a solution of 0.5 g of NaOH in water. After being dried over  $\text{Na}_2\text{SO}_4$ , the solvents were removed by rotary evaporator. The crude residue was dissolved in 20 mL of 1 M sodium methoxide in methanol. Water (8 mL) was added, and half of the methanol was removed by distillation. After an aqueous workup, the entire product was chromatographed on 25 g of silica gel. The column was eluted with increasing amounts of ether in Skelly F. Three minor impurities eluted with 10% ether. The alcohol 14 (0.6 g, 37%) was eluted with 50% ether: NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  3.12 (1 H, brs, exchanges with  $\text{D}_2\text{O}$ ), 2.7–2.1 (3 H, m), 2.0–1.0 (8 H, m with sharp singlet at 1.19); mass spectroscopic mol wt 140.0829 (calcd for  $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{12}\text{O}_2$  140.0837).

**Preparation of 15.** The preparation of 15 was analogous to the formation of 4. A 0.42-g sample of 14 with 0.7 g of tresyl chloride gave 86% of 15 which was unstable on standing at room temperature: NMR of 15 ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  3.90 (2 H, q,  $J = 8.7$  Hz), 3.22 (1 H, m), 2.73 (1 H, m), 2.3–1.3 (6 H, m with sharp singlet at 1.63).

**Preparation of *exo*-3-Aryl-*endo*-3-hydroxybicyclo-[2.2.1]heptan-2-ones 18. General Procedure.** A solution of 3,3-dimethoxynorcamphor in ether was cooled to 0 °C, and a 20% excess of the appropriate aryl Grignard reagent (approximately 1 M) was added dropwise. After 10 min, ammonium chloride solution was added followed by a standard aqueous workup. Solvents were removed by rotary evaporator. The crude alcohol 17 was stirred with equal volumes of 2%  $\text{H}_2\text{SO}_4$  and THF until gas chromatography showed no remaining 17. After an aqueous workup, the entire product was chromatographed on silica gel and eluted with increasing amounts of ether in Skelly. The chro-

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Table II. Properties of *exo*-3-Aryl-*endo*-3-hydroxybicyclo[2.2.1]heptan-3-on-2-ols 18

alcohol	% yield from 1	mp, °C	NMR, $\delta$	analysis	
				C	H
18- <i>p</i> -H	81	99-100	7.32 (5 H, brs), 3.03 (1 H, s), 2.9-2.5 (2 H, m), 2.4-1.3 (6 H, m)	77.20 <sup>a</sup> 76.95 <sup>b</sup>	6.98 <sup>a</sup> 6.76 <sup>b</sup>
18- <i>p</i> -CF <sub>3</sub>	86	103-104	7.8-7.3 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.55 (1 H, s), 3.0-2.6 (2 H, m), 2.4-1.3 (6 H, m)	62.22 <sup>a</sup> 62.37 <sup>b</sup>	4.85 <sup>a</sup> 4.92 <sup>b</sup>
18- <i>p</i> -OCH <sub>3</sub>	95	57-58	7.6-6.8 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.82 (3 H, s), 3.1-2.6 (2 H, m), 2.83 (1 H, s), 2.4-1.3 (6 H, m)	72.39 <sup>a</sup> 72.25 <sup>b</sup>	6.94 <sup>a</sup> 6.72 <sup>b</sup>
18- <i>p</i> -CH <sub>3</sub>	88	oil	7.4-6.9 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 2.99 (1 H, s), 2.9-2.5 (2 H, m), 2.30 (3 H, s), 2.4-1.3 (6 H, m)	77.75 <sup>a</sup> 77.69 <sup>b</sup>	7.46 <sup>a</sup> 7.19 <sup>b</sup>
18- <i>p</i> -SCH <sub>3</sub>	69	110-112	7.5-7.3 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.0-2.6 (2 H, m), 2.75 (1 H, s), 2.47 (3 H, s), 2.4-1.3 (6 H, m)	67.71 <sup>a</sup> 67.66 <sup>b</sup>	6.49 <sup>a</sup> 6.44 <sup>b</sup>

<sup>a</sup> Calculated. <sup>b</sup> Found.

matographed alcohols 18 were slurried in pentane and collected. Physical properties are listed in Table II.

**Preparation of Mesylates. General Procedure.** The general procedure of Servis<sup>22</sup> was used since reaction of alcohols 18 with methanesulfonyl chloride in pyridine was extremely slow. The alcohol and 2 equiv of triethylamine were dissolved in methylene chloride and cooled to 0 °C. Mesyl chloride (1.2 equiv) was added dropwise. After 15 min a standard aqueous workup followed. After being dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>, solvents were removed by rotary evaporator to give mesylates 19 and 22. Mesylate 19, mp 65-67 °C dec, had the following NMR (CCl<sub>4</sub>):  $\delta$  8.1-7.8 (2 H, m), 7.7-7.3 (3 H, m), 3.87 (1 H, m), 2.68 (1 H, m), 2.33 (3 H, s), 2.3-1.6 (6 H, m). Mesylate 24, mp 83-85 °C, had the following NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):  $\delta$  8.3-7.6 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 6.22 (1 H, m), 2.79 (1 H, m), 2.62 (3 H, s), 2.3-1.7 (6 H, m).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>15</sub>H<sub>15</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S: C, 51.72; H, 4.34. Found: C, 52.01; H, 4.31.

**Preparation of Trifluoroacetates. General Procedure.** The alcohol was dissolved in pyridine and cooled to 0 °C. Trifluoroacetic anhydride (2 equiv) was added dropwise. After 10 min, the mixture was rapidly taken up into ether and washed with cold water and cold dilute HCl and dried over MgSO<sub>4</sub>. Solvents were removed by rotary evaporator to give the crude trifluoroacetates 20, 21, 22, 23, and 25 which were used without further purification. Trifluoroacetate 25 decomposes within 5 min on solvent removal but is stable in solution. The spectra are as follows: NMR of 20 (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  7.9-7.6 (2 H, m), 7.6-7.3 (3 H, m), 3.95 (1 H, m), 2.75 (1 H, m), 2.5-1.5 (6 H, m); NMR of 21 (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  7.8-7.0 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.88 (1 H, m), 2.67 (1 H, m), 2.33 (3 H, s), 2.2-1.5 (6 H, m); NMR of 22 (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  7.9-7.1 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.92 (1 H, m), 2.72 (1 H, m), 2.44 (3 H, s), 2.2-1.5 (6 H, m); NMR of 23 (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  7.8-6.7 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.92 (1 H, m), 3.80 (3 H, s), 2.72 (1 H, s), 2.2-1.5 (6 H, m); NMR of 25 (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  7.7-7.1 (5 H, m), 3.26 (1 H, m), 2.7-2.2 (2 H, m), 2.2-1.2 (7 H, m).

**Preparation of 34 and 43.** The preparation of triflates 34 and 43 has previously been described.<sup>2a</sup>

**Preparation of 39.** Triflic anhydride (7.0 g) was dissolved in 30 mL of pyridine at 0 °C. Pivaloin<sup>28</sup> (3.0 g) was added at room temperature since the reaction is relatively slow at 0 °C. After 3.8 h at 28 °C, an aqueous workup followed. Gas chromatographic analysis showed no unreacted pivaloin and a mixture of triflate 39 and ketone 40. A control experiment showed that pure 39 in pyridine is converted to 40 under the reaction conditions. Pure triflate 39 could be isolated by distillation of the reaction products through a Vigreux column which separates the lower boiling ketone 40. Triflate 39 (1.45 g) was obtained: bp 52 °C (0.03 mm); mp 34-36 °C; NMR (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  5.38 (1 H, s), 1.25 (9 H, s), 1.08 (9 H, s).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>19</sub>F<sub>3</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S: C, 43.41; H, 6.29. Found: C, 43.22; H, 6.29.

**Preparation of 45 and 45-3d<sub>2</sub>.** Freshly distilled adipoin (0.72 g) was dissolved in 8 mL of CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> and cooled to -78 °C. Mesyl chloride (0.82 g) was added, and the mixture was placed in an ice-salt bath. Triethylamine (0.75 g) was added dropwise. The mixture was warmed to about 10 °C and then taken up into ether. A rapid cold aqueous workup followed. After being dried over

MgSO<sub>4</sub>, the solvent was removed by rotary evaporator to give 1.08 g (90%) of mesylate 45: mp 55-57 °C; NMR (CCl<sub>4</sub>)  $\delta$  5.00 (1 H, m), 3.13 (3 H, s), 2.7-1.5 (8 H, m).

Anal. Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O<sub>4</sub>S: C, 43.74; H, 6.29. Found: C, 43.54; H, 6.04.

Mesylate 45-3d<sub>2</sub> was prepared by an identical procedure.

**Exchange of 2,2-Dimethoxycyclohexanone (49) with D<sub>2</sub>O.** Sodium (300 mg) was dissolved in 60 mL of D<sub>2</sub>O, and 2.9 g of 49<sup>29</sup> was added. After 20 min the solution was saturated with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and extracted with ether. A standard workup gave 2.1 g of deuterated ketone 50. The spectra are as follows: <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 49 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  206.7, 100.6, 49.1, 40.0, 35.3, 27.4, 21.9; <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 50 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  100.6, 49.1, 35.3, 27.3, 21.9 (the carbonyl and the labeled carbon are not visible under the spectral conditions).

**Reduction of 50.** A solution of 1.74 g of deuterated ketone 50 in 10 mL of ether was added dropwise to 0.28 g of lithium aluminum hydride. The mixture was decomposed with 20% sodium hydroxide, and a standard workup followed. Distillation gave 1.66 g (94%) of alcohol 51: bp 59-60 °C (1.1 mm); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  100.6, 67.9, 48.1, 47.4, 27.8, 22.1, 19.5 (the labeled carbon of 51 is not visible under the spectral conditions).

**Preparation of 3,3-Dideuterio-2-hydroxycyclohexanone (52).** Ketal 51 (1.56 g) was dissolved in 30 mL of 10<sup>-3</sup> M H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. After 32 min (the hydrolysis half-life was approximately 4 min), the mixture was saturated with Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and extracted with two portions of ether. The ether extracts were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>. The solvent was removed by rotary evaporator. The hydroxy ketone 52 was isolated by distillation, giving 0.80 g (75%) of product, bp 47-50 °C (1.1 mm). Hydroxy ketone 52 did not dimerize rapidly when thoroughly cleaned and ammonia-washed glassware was used. <sup>13</sup>C NMR showed no scrambling of the label: <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 2-hydroxycyclohexanone (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  211.0, 75.3, 39.5, 36.8, 27.5, 23.5; <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 52 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  211.0, 75.2, 39.5, 27.5, 23.2 (the labeled carbon of 52 is not visible under the spectral conditions).

**Preparation of 3,3-Dideuterio-2-acetoxycyclohexanone (44-3d<sub>2</sub>).** Alcohol 51 (0.37 g) was dissolved in 3 mL of pyridine. Acetyl chloride (0.36 g) was slowly added. After 4 h, a standard workup followed. Distillation gave 0.34 g (73%) of 1,1-dimethoxy-2-acetoxy-3,3-dideuteriocyclohexane, bp 50 °C (0.08 mm). The acetate was dissolved in a solution of 0.5 g of H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> in 7 mL of water and 7 mL of THF. After 105 min, the mixture was neutralized with NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, and an aqueous workup followed. Distillation gave 0.25 44-3d<sub>2</sub>: bp 78 °C (1.2 mm); <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 44 (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  204.0, 169.5, 76.5, 40.6, 33.0, 27.2, 23.7, 20.6; <sup>13</sup>C NMR of 44-3d<sub>2</sub> (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) 204.0, 169.5, 76.4, 40.6, 27.1, 23.5, 20.6. The labeled carbon of 44-3d<sub>2</sub> is not visible under the spectral conditions.

**Solvolysis Studies. General Kinetics Procedures.** Acetolysis rates of mesylates and triflates were determined by the titrimetric method previously described.<sup>30</sup> Acetolyses of trifluoroacetates were monitored by gas chromatography or ultraviolet spectroscopy. By the gas chromatographic method, 1-mL aliquots of a solution of 20 or 21 in acetic acid (heated for given times) were diluted with 2 mL of a solution of biphenyl in ether

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Acetolysis of **23** was monitored by ultraviolet spectroscopy. A 12-mg sample of **23** was dissolved in acetic acid which was 0.1 M in sodium acetate. At given times, 1-mL aliquots were diluted with 20 mL of ether (to quench the reaction) and 2 mL of saturated sodium chloride solution (to prevent precipitation of sodium acetate in the ether solution), and the total volume was adjusted to 25 mL with ether. Absorbances were monitored at 255 nm where the absorbance of **23** was much greater than that of the product **26**. Acetolysis of **25**<sup>31</sup> was monitored by the same method at 260 nm. Acetolysis of **22** was monitored directly in acetic acid at 279 nm. The dilution and quenching methods described above were unnecessary since absorbance by acetic acid solvent at this wavelength did not interfere.

**Solvolysis Studies. General Product Analysis Procedures.** A sample of the substrate was dissolved in acetic acid, containing enough sodium acetate to neutralize the released acid, and heated for 10 half-lives. The mixture was then poured into ether and extracted with two portions of water and  $\text{Na}_2\text{CO}_3$  until basic. The mixture was then analyzed by gas chromatography. In the case of reactions producing multiple products, pure samples were isolated by preparative gas chromatography. The structures of the products were determined by the usual spectroscopic methods or by comparison with independently prepared authentic samples. NMR data are given in the following sections.

**Acetolysis of 4.** Solvolysis of **4** for 4.5 h at 100 °C gave **5**, **6**, **7**, and **8** in a 22:23:37:18 ratio as determined by gas chromatography. Products **5** and **6**<sup>32</sup> were identified by spectral comparison with authentic samples: NMR of **6** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.27 (1 H, m), 2.70 (1 H, m), 2.06 (3 H, s), 2.0–1.4 (6 H, m), 1.48 (3 H, s); NMR of **7** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  4.92 (1 H, dd,  $J = 8, 1.2$  Hz), 2.4–1.1 (7 H, m), 2.02 (3 H, s), 0.98 (3 H, s); NMR of **8** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  2.06 (2 H, d,  $J = 10$  Hz), 1.89 (3 H, brs), 1.68 (2 H, d,  $J = 10$  Hz), 1.11 (3 H, s); IR of **8**  $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$  5.66  $\mu$ .

**Acetolysis of 15.** Solvolysis of **15** at 55 °C for 3 h gave **7** and **8**, whose NMR spectra are given above, and **16** in a 67:20:13 as determined by gas chromatography: NMR of **16** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  4.94 (1 H, m), 2.12 (3 H, s), 2.3–1.2 (7 H, m), 1.03 (3 H, s); IR  $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$  5.60, 5.71  $\mu$ .

**Acetolysis of 19.** Solvolysis of **19** at 60 °C for 50 min gave 92% of **24**: NMR of **26** (Ar = Ph) ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  7.9–7.5 (2 H, m), 7.5–7.1 (3 H, m), 3.71 (1 H, m), 2.70 (1 H, m), 2.5–1.3 (6 H, m), 1.90 (3 H, s). The stereochemistry of the acetate function **24** was established by saponification with potassium hydride in metha-

not-water. The alcohol product was different by gas chromatographic retention time and infrared and NMR spectrum from **18** (Ar = Ph) and hence was assigned the opposite stereochemistry.

**Acetolysis of 21.** Solvolysis of **21** for 3 h at 90 °C gave 91% of **26** (Ar =  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ -*p*- $\text{CH}_3$ ): NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  7.8–7.0 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.72 (1 H, m), 2.69 (1 H, m), 2.32 (3 H, s), 1.86 (3 H, s), 2.5–1.3 (6 H, m).

**Acetolysis of 22.** Solvolysis of **22** for 5 h at 50 °C gave 92% of **26** (Ar =  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ -*p*- $\text{SCH}_3$ ): NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  7.8–7.1 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.72 (1 H, m), 2.68 (1 H, m), 2.45 (3 H, s), 1.91 (3 H, s), 2.5–1.3 (6 H, m).

**Acetolysis of 23.** Solvolysis of **23** for 7 h at 23 °C gave 94% of **26** (Ar =  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ -*p*- $\text{OCH}_3$ ): NMR ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  7.8–6.7 (4 H, AA'BB' quartet), 3.80 (3 H, s), 3.80 (1 H, m), 2.71 (1 H, m), 2.50–1.20 (6 H, m), 1.88 (3 H, s).

**Acetolysis of 24.** Solvolysis of **24** at 90 °C for 2.5 h gave 95% of **26** (Ar =  $\text{C}_6\text{H}_4$ -*p*- $\text{CF}_3$ ), **29**, and **30** in a 67:18:15 ratio as determined by gas chromatography and NMR: NMR of **26** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.8–7.1 (4 H, m), 3.45 (1 H, m), 2.86 (1 H, m), 2.5–1.2 (6 H, m), 1.98 (3 H, s); NMR of **29** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.8–7.1 (4 H, m), 5.27 (1 H, dd,  $J = 8, 2.2$  Hz), 2.5–1.2 (7 H, m), 1.82 (3 H, s); NMR of **30** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  7.7–7.4 (4 H, m), 2.56 (2 H, brs), 2.27 (2 H, d,  $J = 10$  Hz), 2.22 (1 H, brs), 1.86 (2 H, d,  $J = 10$  Hz); IR of **30**  $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$  5.66.

**Acetolysis of 34.** Solvolysis of **34** for 4 h at 70 °C gave **35** and **36** in a 20:80 ratio as determined by gas chromatography. These products were identified by spectral comparison with authentic samples.

**Acetolysis of 39.** Solvolysis of **39** for 2 h at 80 °C gave **40** and **41** in a 1:1 ratio as determined by gas chromatography: NMR of **40** ( $\text{CCl}_4$ )  $\delta$  4.80 (2 H, q,  $J = 2.7$  Hz), 3.69 (1 H, q,  $J = 6.8$  Hz), 1.73 (3 H, q,  $J = 2.7$  Hz), 1.12 (3 H, d,  $J = 6.8$  Hz), 1.13 (9 H, s); NMR of **41** ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ )  $\delta$  3.74 (1 H, q,  $J = 8$  Hz), 1.96 (3 H, s), 1.57 (6 H, s), 1.18 (9 H, s), 1.08 (3 H, d,  $J = 8$  Hz).

**Acetolysis of 43.** Solvolysis of **43** for 2.5 h at 80 °C gave 25% of **44**, which was identified by spectral comparison with an authentic sample prepared by acetylation (acetyl chloride in pyridine) of  $\alpha$ -hydroxycyclohexanone. Acetolysis of **45** for 12 h at 100 °C gave the same product.

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(31) Acetolysis of **23** gave 2-phenylnorbornene and *endo*-2-phenyl-norborn-*exo*-2-yl acetate. The olefinic product absorbs strongly at 260 nm.

(32) Acetate **6** could be prepared by acetolysis of the mesylate derivative of **2** at 120 °C. See ref 26 for an analogous process.