# Site-Selective Diels-Alder Reactions of 1,4,5,8-Naphthodiquinones with Anthracenes and Successively with Cyclopentadiene: Elelctronic Effects vs. Steric Effects 

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#### Abstract

The cycloaddition reactions of naphthodiquinones with anthracene derivatives have been investigated. While anthracene (4) reacted with naphthodiquinones ( 1,2 , and 13) at the internal double bond to give the internal adducts ( 6,7 , and 14 ), the reaction of 9,10 -substituted anthracenes (5) took place at the terminal double bond to afford the terminal adducts ( 8,9 , and 15 ). The successive reaction of adducts 6 and 7 with cyclopentadiene gave the Diels-Alder adducts 16 and 17, respectively, which were photochemically converted into the cage compounds 18 and 19 in high yields. The reaction of 8 with cyclopentadiene afforded terminal adducts 20 , whereas the similar reaction of 9 gave internal adducts 21 which were smoothly converted on irradiation to the cage compounds 22 . The site selectivity in these reactions was discussed on the basis of the frontier molecular orbital (FMO) analysis as well as consideration of the steric effects of the substituents.


1,4,5,8-Naphthodiquinone (1) is a unique dienophile which is composed of two kinds of activated double bonds, i.e., the internal and terminal double bonds. Due to its markedly lowered LUMO energy level, 1 is a more powerful dienophile than the structurally related $p$-benzoquinone (3). ${ }^{1,2}$ The frontier molecular orbital (FMO) considerations ${ }^{3}$ of its Diels-Alder reactions suggest that the doubly activated internal double bond possessing the largest LUMO coefficients ${ }^{2}$ will show the greater reactivity toward the electron-rich dienes than the singly activated terminal double bonds. However, it has been experimentally revealed that the cycloaddition reactions of naphthodiquinone and its derivatives with various dienes lead to variable results depending upon the dienes employed, ${ }^{4-10}$ some of which are apparently opposed to the theoretical predictions. The origin of this intriguing site selection has not been fully understood and obviously more studies are needed in order to clarify the controlling factors in these pericyclic reactions of naphthodiquinones.
We have investigated the cycloaddition reactions of naphthodiquinones 1 and 2 with a series of substituted anthracenes and the Diels-Alder reactions of the resulting adducts with cyclopentadiene. It was found that the reaction site (site selectivity) in these successive Diels-Alder reactions was strongly influenced by the substituents both on the naphthodiquinones and the anthracenes. A reasonable explanation for this remarkable effect of substituents has been developed by evoking both electronic and steric factors. In addition, the Lewis-acid catalyzed cycloreversion as well as photochemical [2+2] cyclization of the adducts were also studied.

[^0]Chart I


Scheme I


## Results and Discussion

Cycloaddition Reactions of Naphthodiquinones with Anthracenes. Previously, we reported that the reaction of naphthodiquinone 1 with anthracene (4) exclusively gave the adduct attached to the internal double bond (i.e., internal adduct) (6) in $75 \%$ yield. ${ }^{2}$ It was now found that dichloronaphthodiquinone 2 similarly reacted with 4 in chloroform at room temperature under Ar to afford only the internal adduct 7 in $80 \%$ yield (Scheme I).

In sharp contrast, the reactions of 1 and 2 with 9-monoor 9,10 -disubstituted anthracenes 5a-e under the same reaction conditions afforded in fair to excellent yields the Diels-Alder adducts formed at the terminal double bond (i.e., terminal adducts) $8 \mathbf{a}-\mathbf{e}$ and $9 \mathbf{a}-\mathbf{e}$, respectively. No other type of adducts could be detected by the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR analyses of the crude reaction mixtures. In the reaction of $5 \mathbf{c}$, however, a considerable amount of the reduction product ( 11 or 12) was also obtained (vide infra). The yields and the spectroscopic data of these adducts are summarized in Tabie I.
The structures of the adducts were unambiguously determined by the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra. For example, while the internal adduct 6 (or 7 ) showed the signal of the methine protons ( 2 H ) as a singlet at $\delta 5.53$ ( $\delta 5.55$ ), the terminal adducts 8 displayed rather complicated pattern of signals

Table I. Yield and Spectral Data for Diels-Alder Adducts

| no. | $\begin{gathered} \% \\ \text { yield }^{a} \end{gathered}$ | mp, ${ }^{\text {b }}{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ | IR, ${ }^{\text {c }} \mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ | $\mathrm{UV}^{e}$ max, $\mathrm{nm}(\log \epsilon)$ | ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H} \mathrm{NMR},{ }^{f} \delta(J, \mathrm{~Hz})$ | MS, $m / e$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7 | 60 | 247-250 | $\begin{gathered} 1710,1680 \\ 1580 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 251 \mathrm{sh}(3.9), 269 \mathrm{sh}(3.7), \\ & 360(2.7), 380(2.7), \\ & 416 \mathrm{sh}(2.4) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7.03-7.35(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.45(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \\ & 5.53(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 436(\mathrm{M}+2), \\ & 434\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 258 \end{aligned}$ |
| 8a | 90 | 232-235 | 1720, 1705 | 254 (4.1), 352 (3.1) | $\begin{gathered} 7.10-7.38(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.48(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), \\ 3.00(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.03(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{gathered}$ | 394 ( $\mathrm{M}^{+}$), 206 |
| 8b | 70 | 230-233 | 1715, 1705 | 266 sh (3.8), 275 sh (3.7), 351 (3.1) | $\begin{aligned} & 7.08-7.36(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.49(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \\ & 4.67(\mathrm{~d}, J=3.0,1 \mathrm{H}), 3.33(\mathrm{dd} \\ & J=9.0,3.0,1 \mathrm{H}), 2.90(\mathrm{~d}, J=9.0 \\ & 1 \mathrm{H}), 2.02(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 380\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), \\ 192 \end{gathered}$ |
| 8c | 38 | 230-233 | 1700, 1655 | 254 (4.3), 351 (3.2) | $\begin{aligned} & 7.03-7.54(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.50(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \\ & 4.56(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.4,1 \mathrm{H}), 4,12(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}) \\ & 3.68(\mathrm{~d}, J=9.0,1 \mathrm{H}), 3.36(\mathrm{dd}, \\ & J=9.0,2.4,1 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 396\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \\ 208,193 \end{gathered}$ |
| 8d | 49 | 242-244 | 1710, $1665^{\text {d }}$ | 253 (4.1), 349 (3.0) | $\begin{gathered} 7.10-7.43(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.52(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), \\ 4.72(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.39(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 446(\mathrm{M}+2) \\ 444\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| 8 e | 62 | 243-245 | 1700, 1650 | 264 (4.1), 345 (3.0) | $\begin{gathered} 7.11-7.41(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.52(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \\ 4.70(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.35(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 402(\mathrm{M}+2) \\ 400\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| 9a | 64 | 185-188 | $\begin{gathered} 1720,1675 \\ 1580 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 265 \text { (4.0), } 273 \mathrm{sh}(4.0), \\ & 350 \text { (3.4) } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 7.12-7.39(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 3.03(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \\ & 2.03(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 464(\mathrm{M}+2), \\ 462\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| 9b | 69 | 209-211 | $\begin{gathered} 1720,1675,^{d} \\ 1565 \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 267(4.0), 276 \text { sh (4.0), } \\ & 351(3.4) \end{aligned}$ | 7.11-7.36 (m, 8 H$), 4.69(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.4$, $1 \mathrm{H}), 3.38$ (dd, $J=8.4,2.4,1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 2.93 (d, $J=8.4,1 \mathrm{H}), 2.03(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H})$ | $\begin{gathered} 448(\mathrm{M}+2) \\ 446\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| 9c | 78 | 219-221 | $\begin{aligned} & 1720,1675,{ }^{d} \\ & 1565 \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{gathered} 7.06-7.52(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 3.69(\mathrm{~d}, J=9.0 \\ 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.39(\mathrm{dd}, J=9.0,2.4,1 \mathrm{H}) \end{gathered}$ | $\begin{gathered} 446(\mathrm{M}+2), \\ 444\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| 9d | 57 | 215-217 | 1720, 1575 |  | $\begin{aligned} & 7.13-7.40(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 4.74(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}) \\ & 3.43(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 516(\mathrm{M}+4) \\ 514(\mathrm{M}+2), \\ 512\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \end{gathered}$ |
| 9e | 20 | 200-202 | 1720, 1560 | 251 (4.0), 349 (3.2) | $\begin{aligned} & 7.14-7.48(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 4.73(\mathrm{~d}, 1 \mathrm{H}) \\ & 3.37(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} 472(\mathrm{M}+4) \\ 470(\mathrm{M}+2) \\ 468\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right) \end{gathered}$ |

for the methine protons ( 2 H or 3 H depending on R and $\mathrm{R}^{\prime}$ ) together with a characteristic sharp singlet of the enedione olefin protons $(2 \mathrm{H})$ at $\delta 6.5$. In the case of adducts 9, the absence of signals attributable to the enedione moiety indicated that the cycloaddition reaction of 2 took place at the unsubstituted terminal double bond.
The reactions of 1 and 2 with electron-deficient anthracenes such as 9 -anthraldehyde and 9 -cyanoarthracene under the same reaction conditions failed, and the starting materials were recovered unchanged. Interestingly, treatment of 1 with a strongly electron-rich anthracene like 9,10-dimethoxyanthracene (10) in chloroform (room temperature, Ar) led to the smooth formation of the reduction product 11 and recovery of unchanged 10 (eq 1). ${ }^{11}$ Similarly, the reaction of 2 with 10 in chloroform ${ }^{11}$ afforded only 12 in a high yield. The control experiment showed that compound 1 (or 2 ) without 10 was fairly stable in chloroform and only a slight formation of 11 (or 12) was observed after a prolonged time. This suggests that reduction of 1 (or 2) may occur via an electron transfer from the electron-rich anthracenes such as 5 c and 10 to elec-tron-deficient 1 or 2.


Site Selectivity. The above results show a remarkable site selectivity in cycloaddition of 1 and 2 with anthracene derivatives. While anthracene itself reacted with di-

[^1]Chart II

quinones ( $\mathbf{1}$ and 2 ) at the internal double bond, the substituted anthracenes added to the unsubstituted terminal double bond. This site selection can be reasonably explained by the FMO theory as well as consideration of the steric factors. In the absence of the steric obstruction at the 9,10 -positions of anthracene, the reaction would take place predominantly at the doubly activated internal double bond of 1 (or 2) via a transition state with the maximum p orbital overlap (A, Chart II) as anticipated by the FMO considerations. ${ }^{2,3}$ However, in the case of substituted anthracenes like $\mathbf{5 a - e}$, the severe steric hindrance at the 9,10 -positions would prevent this face-to-face approach and instead favor the reaction at the terminal double bond via a sterically less hindered transition state (B, Chart II).
In order to evaluate the importance of donor-acceptor interaction ${ }^{12,13}$ in these cycloaddition reactions and its effect on the site selectivity, we have investigated the reactions of 2-methoxynaphthodiquinone (13) which was shown to possess the higher LUMO energy level compared with those of 1 and 2 by the CNDO/2 MO calculations. ${ }^{14}$ While the reaction of 13 with anthracene (4) afforded only internal adduct 14 ( $98 \%$ ), the reaction with dimethyl-

[^2]Table II. Spectral Data for Adducts

| no. | ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR, ${ }^{a} \delta(J, \mathrm{~Hz})$ | IR (Nujol), $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$ | MS, $m / e$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 16 | $7.01-7.44(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.32(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.88$ (dd, $J=1.8,2 \mathrm{H}$ ), $5.23(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.25(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, 2.41 (dd, $J=2.2,1.5,2 \mathrm{H}), 1.26(\mathrm{dm}, J=8.9,1 \mathrm{H}), 1.01(\mathrm{dm}, J=8.91 \mathrm{H})$ | 1715 | 432 ( $\mathrm{M}^{+}$), 254, 178 |
| 17 | $\begin{aligned} & 7.01-7.40(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 5.90(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.24(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.28(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.37(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.83 \\ & \quad(\mathrm{dm}, J=10.0,1 \mathrm{H}), 1.47(\mathrm{dm}, J=10.0,1 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | 1715, 1580 | $502(\mathrm{M}+2), 500\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 178$ |
| 18 | 7.29-7.40, 6.97-7.10 (m, 8 H ), $5.52(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.23-3.32(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 2.98(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.66$ (dm, $J=9.6,1 \mathrm{H}), 1.43(\mathrm{dm}, J=9.6,1 \mathrm{H})$ | 1715, 1690 | $432\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 298,178$ |
| 19 | $\begin{aligned} & 7.32-7.44,6.97-7.11(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 5.64(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.55(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.03(\mathrm{~m}, 4 \mathrm{H}), 1.33(\mathrm{dm}, J \\ & =9.0,1 \mathrm{H}), 0.95(\mathrm{dm}, J=9.0,1 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | 1735, 1700 | $502(\mathrm{M}+2), 500\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 178$ |
| 20a | $7.12-7.35(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 5.93(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.39(\mathrm{~m}, J=2.0,2 \mathrm{H}), 2.94(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.0,2 \mathrm{H}), 2.91$ (s, 2 H ), $2.01(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.46(\mathrm{dm}, J=8.5,1 \mathrm{H}), 1.28(\mathrm{dm}, J=8.5,1 \mathrm{H})$ | 1715, 1680 | 394, 254, 206 |
| 20b | $7.11-7.35(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 5.93(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.46(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.8,1 \mathrm{H}), 3.39(\mathrm{~m}, J=1.7,2 \mathrm{H}), 3.25$ (dd, $J=8.8,2.8,1 \mathrm{H}), 2.95(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.82(\mathrm{~d}, J=8.8,1 \mathrm{H}), 2.01(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.46(\mathrm{dm}$, $J=8.2,1.7,1 \mathrm{H}), 1.29(\mathrm{dm}, J=8.2,1.7,1 \mathrm{H})$ | 1715,1680 | 380, 192 |
| 21a | $\begin{aligned} & 7.03-7.33(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.02(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.12(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.09(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.95(\mathrm{~s}, 6 \mathrm{H}), 1.30(\mathrm{dm}, \\ & J=10.8,1 \mathrm{H}), 0.86(\mathrm{dm}, J=10.8,1 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $1715,1675,1575$ | $528\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 206,191$ |
| 21b | $\begin{aligned} & 7.01-7.31(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.04(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 4.59(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.4,1 \mathrm{H}), 4.14(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.37(\mathrm{dd}, J= \\ & 10.8,2.4,1 \mathrm{H}), 2.98(\mathrm{~d}, J=10.8,1 \mathrm{H}), 1.94(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.30(\mathrm{dm}, J=11.4,1 \mathrm{H}), 0.87 \\ & (\mathrm{dm}, J=11.4,1 \mathrm{H}) \end{aligned}$ | $1715,1680,1575$ | $514\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 192$ |
| 22a |  | 1780, 1765 | $530(\mathrm{M}+2), 528\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 206$ |
| 22b | 6.99-7.50 (m, 8 H$), 4.98(\mathrm{~d}, J=2.4,1 \mathrm{H}), 3.73(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.53(\mathrm{~m}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 3.30(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H})$, | 1785,1770 | $516(\mathrm{M}+2), 514\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right), 192$ | $3.21(\mathrm{dd}, J=10.8,2.4,1 \mathrm{H}), 2.85(\mathrm{~d}, J=10.8,1 \mathrm{H}), 2.18(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 1.75(\mathrm{bs}, 2 \mathrm{H})$

${ }^{a} \mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$.
anthracene (5a) gave terminal adduct 15 (60\%) (eq 2). These results further indicate that the site selectivity in these cycloadditions is mainly controlled by the steric factors.


Cycloaddition Reactions of Internal Adducts. The internal adducts obtained above possess two enedione moieties in the longicyclic positions. This unique structural feature led us to investigate further Diels-Alder reactions with another diene compound. When 6 and 7 were treated with cyclopentadiene in methylene chloride at room temperature ( 20 h ), crystalline adducts 16 and 17 were obtained in $64 \%$ and $60 \%$ yields, respectively (eq 3 ). The structural determination of these products was made on the basis of the spectroscopic data (Table II) as well as chemical transformations. In the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum of 16, the presence of appreciable coupling ( $J=2.2 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ) between two methine protons ( Ha and Hb ) was indicative of the endo stereochemistry, which was further confirmed by the smooth [ $2+2]$ photocyclization (vide infra). In the case of 17 , the absence of the characteristic signals for enedione olefinic protons indicated that the addition took place at the unsubstituted double bond of 7 . The mass spectrum of 16 displayed a weak molecular ion peak at $m / e$ $432(0.1 \%)$ but intense fragment peaks at $m / e 254(100 \%)$ and 178 ( $80 \%$ ), suggesting an easy retro-Diels-Alder fragmentation of the anthracene moiety from adduct $\mathbf{1 6}$.


Irradiation of adducts 16 and 17 in chloroform with a 400-W high-pressure mercury lamp through a Pyrex filter resulted in the smooth formation of cage compounds 18 and 19 , respectively (eq 3 ). In these products, the ring formation by $[2+2]$ cycloaddition between cyclopentene

## Scheme II



and enedione double bonds was apparent from the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra (Table II), which were characterized by the absence of olefinic proton signals. In contrast to 16 and 17, the mass spectra of these photoproducts showed rather intense molecular ion peaks.

Cycloaddition Reactions of Terminal Adducts. Since the terminal adducts 8 and 9 contain two different kinds of enedione moieties, it is of interest to study which double bond is responsible for the next cycloaddition reactions. Thus, treatment of $8 \mathrm{a}, \mathrm{b}$ with cyclopentadiene in methylene chloride at room temperature ( 20 h ) exclusively gave the adducts at the terminal double bond, 20a,b, in $77 \%$ and $66 \%$ yields, respectively. In sharp contrast, the similar reactions of $9 \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$ afforded only the adducts at the internal double bond, $21 \mathbf{a}, \mathbf{b}$, in $80-90 \%$ yields (Scheme II).
The structural assignments of these products were made on the basis of elemental analyses, spectroscopic data (Table II), and chemical transformations. The gross structure of $\mathbf{2 0}$ was determined by the careful analysis of

${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra (Table II) as well as spin-decoupling experiments. The observation of coupling ( $J=2.0 \mathrm{~Hz}$ for 20a) between Ha and Hb suggested the endo configuration with respect to the norbornene moiety as shown in 20 . The structure of 20 was further confirmed by converting to 23 via Lewis acid catalyzed cycloreversion (vide infra),

Scheme III

whereas compounds 20 were photochemically inactive and recovered unchanged even after a prolonged irradiation. This presumably reflects the conformational preference of 20 for the "extended" form rather than the "folded" form.$^{24}$ While these spectral data and chemical transformations cannot fully rule out the alternative structure $20^{\prime}$, its formation seems to be sterically less favorable. On the other hand, for the structural elucidation of 21 IR spectra were very instructive. A characteristic absorption band at $1580 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$ was indicative of the presence of a dichlorinated double bond in $21 .{ }^{15}$ The endo stereochemistry of 21 was nicely revealed by the following photochemical $[2+2]$ cycloaddition. Thus, brief irradiation of 21a,b in chloroform solution afforded almost quantitative yields of the cage compounds 22a,b (Scheme II). IR spectra of these photoproducts showed no absorption bands near $1580 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

It is of interest to note that the cycloaddition of 8 with cyclopentadiene occurred at the singly activated terminal double bond rather than the doubly activated internal double bond, while 9 reacted with the latter double bond. This indicates that the reactivity of the internal double bond in 8 may be somewhat decreased compared with the terminal double bond probably due to the electron donation of the proximate aromatic ring. ${ }^{16}$ It should also be noted that these results show a general tendency to avoid reaction at the dichloroenedione double bonds (1,2 $\rightarrow 8$, 9 , and $9 \rightarrow 21$ ).
Lewis Acid Catalyzed Cycloreversion Reactions. In order to explore the utility of anthracenes as a protecting group and/or directing group ${ }^{17,18}$ of naphthodiquinones, cycloreversion reaction of the above adducts was briefly investigated. Although the thermolysis of 16 in toluene at $80-120^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ gave a mixture of several minor products, treatment of 16 with 1 equiv of $\mathrm{SnCl}_{4}$ in methylene chloride at $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}(30 \mathrm{~min})$ resulted in a smooth cycloreversion to give 23 (and anthracene) in quantitative yield (Scheme III). Adduct 20a also gave 23 in a high yield on treatment with $\mathrm{SnCl}_{4}$ (4 equiv) at $0^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Compound 23 was identical in all aspects with an authentic sample prepared by the direct reaction of 11 with cyclopentadiene. In contrast, cage compounds 18 and 22 and adduct 21 were stable under the similar Lewis acid treatment, suggesting a necessity for the enedione moiety for a facile cycloreversion reaction. Use of a large excess of Lewis acid and/or treatment at the higher temperature only led to a complex mixture of products. Oxidation of 23 with [bis(trifluoroacetoxy)iodo] benzene ${ }^{19}$ afforded 24 , the formal terminal adduct of 1 with cyclopentadiene (Scheme III) which could not be obtained by their direct reaction. ${ }^{2}$
In conclusion, the cycloaddition reactions of naphthodiquinones ( 1,2 , and 13 ) with various anthracene derivatives show a remarkable site selectivity which is controlled

[^3]by rather delicately balanced steric and electronic factors. In the reaction of 9 -(or 10 -)substituted anthracenes, the steric factor seems to play the major role for this site selection.

## Experimental Section

The melting points were measured with a Yanagimoto micro melting point apparatus and are uncorrected. The UV spectra were determined with a Shimadzu UV-260 spectrophotometer. The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra were taken with a JEOL PS-100 spectrometer and a Hitachi R-600 spectrometer with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard, and the chemical shifts are expressed in $\delta$ values. The ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were determined with a JEOL-100 with tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. The IR spectra were taken with a JASCO IR A-100 infrared spectrophotometer. Mass spectra were determined with a JEOL-01SG double-focusing spectrometer operated at an ionization potential of 75 eV . The solid samples were ionized by electron bombardment after sublimation directly into the electron beam at 150-200 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Column chromatography was performed by using E. M. Merck kieselgel 60 (70-200) mesh.
Materials. All solvents were reagent grade (Nakarai) and were used as received unless otherwise noted. 1,4,5,8-Naphthodiquinone (NDQ) (1), ${ }^{2}$ 2,3-dichloronaphthodiquinone (DNDQ) (2), ${ }^{2}$ and methoxyanthracene $5 \mathrm{c}^{20}$ were prepared according to the reported methods. Dimethoxyanthracene 13 was prepared by the modified method. ${ }^{21}$ All other anthracene derivatives were commercially available.
General Procedure for Cycloaddition Reactions of Na phthodiquinones (1 and 2) with Anthracenes. A solution of NDQ (1) or DNDQ (2) and 1 equiv of appropriate anthracene derivative ( 4 or $5 \mathrm{a}-\mathrm{e}$ ) in dry benzene or dry chloroform was stirred under Ar at room temperature. The reaction was monitored by TLC. When the starting materials were consumed ( $5-48 \mathrm{~h}$ ), the precipitates were collected by filtration and analyzed by ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectroscopy. Since the products decomposed on silica gel, purification was carried out by recrystallization from chloroform to give pure adducts. The yields, physical properties, and spectral data of adducts are summarized in Table I.
Reaction of Naphthodiquinone (1) with 9,10-Dimethoxyanthracene (10). A suspension of $1(120 \mathrm{mg}, 0.64 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $10(152 \mathrm{mg}, 0.64 \mathrm{mmol})$ in dry chloroform ( 20 mL ) was stirred for 3 h under Ar at room temperature. The resulting solution was evaporated in vacuo and the residual solids were chromatographed on a silica gel column with $n$-hexane/ethyl acetate (4:1) to give $11(100 \mathrm{mg}, 88 \%)$ as red crystals which were identical with an authentic sample ${ }^{22}$ by TLC, IR, and NMR.

Reaction of Dichloronaphthodiquinone (2) with $9,10-$ Dimethoxyanthracene (10). A similar reaction of DNDQ (2) ( $134 \mathrm{mg}, 0.52 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) with $10(259 \mathrm{mg}, 1.09 \mathrm{mmol})$ followed by the same workup as above afforded dichloronaphthazarin $12^{23}$ (120 $\mathrm{mg}, 89 \%$ ) as red crystals.

Methoxynaphthodiquinone (13). A solution of 11 ( $5 \mathrm{~g}, 26.3$ mmol ) in 1.2 L of water containing 35 mL of 6 N sodium hydroxide solution was refluxed for 4 h on an oil bath with a rapid stream of air passing through the solution. After cooling, the solution was just acidified with acetic acid and filtered. The filtrate was evaporated in vacuo, and the residual solids were dried in a vacuum oven at $60^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. After addition of methanol ( 200 mL ), the resulting suspension was stirred under bubbling dry hydrogen chloride for $3-4 \mathrm{~h}$. The precipitates were filtered off and the filtrate was condensed under reduced pressure. The residue was chromatographed on a silica gel column with $n$-hexane/ethyl acetate ( $2: 1$ ) to give methoxynaphthazarin ( $450 \mathrm{mg}, 18 \%$ ): mp $188-190{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C} ;{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 12.64(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 12.18(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 7.25$ (s, 2 H ), 3.94 (s, 3 H ); $\mathrm{IR}\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) 3520,1720,1595 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.
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A mixture of methoxyanphthazarin ( $350 \mathrm{mg}, 1.61 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and [bis(trifluoroacetoxy)iodo]benzene ( $1.04 \mathrm{~g}, 2.42 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in 8 mL of acetone was stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The precipitates were collected by filtration and recrystallized from benzene to give 13 ( $140 \mathrm{mg}, 40 \%$ ) as orange crystals: $\mathrm{mp} 195-197$ ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 6.85$ (s, 2 H ), 6.07 ( $\mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), 3.87 ( $\mathrm{s}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ); IR $\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) 1705,1685 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$.

Reaction of Methoxynaphthodiquinone (13) with Anthracene (4). A suspension of 13 ( $36 \mathrm{mg}, 0.17 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and 4 ( 30 $\mathrm{mg}, 0.17 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in dry chloroform ( 5 mL ) was stirred under Ar at room temperature. After the consumption of the starting materials, the precipitates were collected by filtration and analyzed by ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectroscopy. Recrystallization from chloroform gave pure 14 ( $65 \mathrm{mg}, 98 \%$ ) as yellow crystals: $\mathrm{mp} 212-214{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 7.01-7.40(\mathrm{~m}, 8 \mathrm{H}), 6.45(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 5.74(\mathrm{~s}, 1 \mathrm{H})$, 5.58 (s, 2 H ), 3.56 ( $\mathrm{s}, 3 \mathrm{H}$ ); IR ( $\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}$ ) $1690 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ; \mathrm{MS}, m / e 396$ $\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.

Reaction of Methoxynaphthodiquinone (13) with Dimethylanthracene (5). A similar reaction of $13(85 \mathrm{mg}, 0.40$ $\mathrm{mmol})$ with $5(82 \mathrm{mg}, 0.40 \mathrm{mmol})$ in chloroform followed by the same workup as above afforded 15 ( $100 \mathrm{mg}, 60 \%$ ) as orange crystals: $\mathrm{mp} 177-179^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \mathrm{dec}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 7.10-7.37$ (m, 8 H ), 5.67 ( $\mathrm{s}, 1 \mathrm{H}$ ), $3.74(\mathrm{~s}, 3 \mathrm{H}), 2.98(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 2.03$ (s, 6 H ); IR $\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) 1705 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1}$; MS, m/e 220 (methoxynaphthazarin).

General Procedure for Cycloaddition Reactions of the Adducts 6-9 with Cyclopentadiene. A solution of appropriate adduct ( $6-9$ ) and an excess of cyclopentadiene ( 2 equiv) in dry chloroform or dry methylene chloride was stirred under Ar at room temperature. The reaction was monitored by TLC. After the starting materials $6-9$ completely disappeared, the solution was evaporated in vacuo, and the residual solids were purified by recrystallization from chloroform to give pure products as follows.

16: $64 \%$; mp $179{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{29} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ : C, 80.54; H, 4.66. Found: C, 80.51; H, 4.69.

17: $60 \%$; mp $185-188^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{29} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ : C, 69.47; H, 3.62. Found: C, 69.46; H, 3.66.

20a: $77 \%$; $\mathrm{mp} 242-244{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{24} \mathrm{O}_{4}$ : C, 80.85; H, 5.25. Found: C, 80.83; H, 5.27.

20b: $66 \%$; mp $230-235^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec.
21a: $87 \%$; mp $175-178^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ : C, 70.33; H, 4.19. Found: C, 70.17; H, 4.34.
21b: $86 \%$; mp 196-199 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{30} \mathrm{H}_{20} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ : C, 69.91; H, 3.91. Found: C, 69.82; H, 3.94.
The spectroscopic data for these products are summarized in Table II.

General Procedure for Photochemical Reactions of Adducts $16,17,20$, and 21. A solution of the appropriate adduct in chloroform was irradiated with a $400-\mathrm{W}$ high-pressure mercury lamp through a Pyrex filter at room temperature. The reaction was monitered by TLC and ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectroscopy. After the starting material was completely consumed, the solution was evaporated in vacuo, and the residual solids were purified by recrystallization from chloroform to afford pure products as follows.

18: $100 \% ; \mathrm{mp}>300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$.

19: $100 \%$; $\mathrm{mp}>300^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{29} \mathrm{H}_{18} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}: \mathrm{C}, 69.47$; H, 3.62. Found: C, 69.71; H, 3.38 .
22a: $100 \%$; mp $185-190^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec. Anal. Calcd for $\mathrm{C}_{31} \mathrm{H}_{22} \mathrm{O}_{4} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ : C, 70.33; H, 4.19. Found: C, 70.39; H, 4.14 .

22b: $100 \%$; mp $188-19{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec.
The spectroscopic data of these photoproducts are given in Table II.

Lewis Acid Catalyzed Cycloreversion of 16. A solution of $16(10 \mathrm{mg}, 0.027 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{SnCl}_{4}\left(3.1 \times 10^{-3} \mathrm{~mL}, 0.027 \mathrm{mmol}\right)$ in dry methylene chloride ( 5 mL ) was stirred under Ar at $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. The reaction was monitored by TLC. After the consumption of the starting material, the reaction mixture was quenched with 5 mL of $\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O} / \mathrm{THF}$ (1:1). The organic layers were repeatedly extracted with methylene chloride, washed with brine, dried over $\mathrm{Na}_{2} \mathrm{SO}_{4}$, and evaporated in vacuo. The residual solids were chromatographed on a silica gel column with $n$-hexane/ethyl acetate ( $5: 1$ ) to give $20(6 \mathrm{mg}, 87 \%)$ as yellow crystals: mp 135-138 ${ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ dec; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR ( $\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}$ ) $\delta 12.61$ ( $\mathrm{s}, 2 \mathrm{H}$ ), $7.20(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.07$ (m, 2 H ), 3.68 (m, 2 H ), $3.42(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 1.56(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H})$; $\mathrm{IR}\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) 1635$ $\mathrm{cm}^{-1}$; MS, $m / e 256\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.
Lewis Acid Catalyzed Cycloreversion of 20a. A similar reaction of $20 \mathrm{a}(50 \mathrm{mg}, 0.11 \mathrm{mmol})$ and $\mathrm{SnCl}_{4}(0.065 \mathrm{~mL}, 0.55$ mmol ) in dry methylene chloride ( 10 mL ) at $-40^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ gave 23 (16 $\mathrm{mg}, 57 \%$ ).

1,4,4a,9a-Tetrahydro-5,8-dihydroxy-1,4-methano-9,10anthraquinone (23). To a solution of $11(100 \mathrm{mg}, 0.52 \mathrm{mmol})$ in methylene chloride ( 2 mL ) was added cyclopentadiene ( 68.6 $\mathrm{mg}, 1.04 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and the resulting solution was stirred at room temperature for 30 min . The reaction mixture was evaporated in vacuo and the residual solids were chromatographed on a silica gel column with $n$-hexane/ethyl acetate (6:1) to give 23 ( 135 mg , $100 \%$ ) which was identical with the above obtained 23 by TLC, IR, and NMR.
5,5a,8,8a-Tetrahydro-5,8-methano-1,4,9,10-anthradiquinone (24). A mixture of 23 ( $400 \mathrm{mg}, 1.56 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) and [bis(trifluoroacetoxy)iodo]benzene ( $1.01 \mathrm{~g}, 2.34 \mathrm{mmol}$ ) in 8 mL of acetone was stirred at room temperature for 1 h . The solution was concentrated under the reduced pressure to give the precipitates which were collected by filtration. Recrystallization from benzene gave 24 ( $230 \mathrm{mg}, 58 \%$ ) as red crystals: $\mathrm{mp} 161-163^{\circ} \mathrm{C} \mathrm{dec}$; ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR $\left(\mathrm{CDCl}_{3}\right) \delta 6.78(\mathrm{~s}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 6.11(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.55(\mathrm{~m}, 2 \mathrm{H}), 3.48(\mathrm{~m}, 2$ H), $1.67(\mathrm{dm}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H}), 1.45(\mathrm{dm}, J=8.4 \mathrm{~Hz}, 1 \mathrm{H})$; IR $\left(\mathrm{CHCl}_{3}\right) 1700 \mathrm{~cm}^{-1} ; \mathrm{MS}, m / e 254\left(\mathrm{M}^{+}\right)$.

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