Communications

A Stereoselective Approach to the Synthesis of **Allylic and Homoallylic Amines**

Summary: Nitrones undergo [3 + 2] dipolar cycloaddition with vinyl- and allylsilane derivatives to produce substituted isoxazolidines which are versatile intermediates for the preparation of allylic and homoallylic amines. During olefination, the alkene geometry can be controlled by the appropriate selection of reaction conditions.

Sir: Dipolar cycloaddition of nitrones with alkenes is an efficient method for the simultaneous introduction of a nitrogen substituent and creation of a carbon-carbon bond,²⁻⁴ and this strategy has been extensively exploited in the synthesis of alkaloidal natural products.^{5,6} We have recently demonstrated that nitrone cycloadditions with vinyltrimethylsilane⁷ occurs with complete regioselectivity and high stereoselectivity. The resulting 5-silylisoxazolidines can be transformed into β -amino aldehydes and α,β -unsaturated aldehydes, respectively.

In this communication we report that substituted vinylsilanes and allyltrimethylsilane undergo facile nitrone addition to produce isoxazolidines. The regioselectivity and stereoselectivity of the cycloaddition depends upon the silane employed. These silyl isoxazolidines are versatile intermediates for organic synthesis and can be transformed into allylic or homoallylic amines.

Nitrones 1-3⁸ underwent dipolar cycloaddition with vinylsilanes 4–6⁹ and allyltrimethylsilane (7), in good yield as indicated by the results in Table I. Nitrones incorporating either an aryl or carboethoxy group appear to function equally well in the cycloaddition, and even the sensitive benzylidene acetal moiety of nitrone 3 was tolerated.

The regioselectivity of cycloaddition depended upon the particular silane employed as the dipolarophile. With (arylvinyl)silanes 4 and 5, 4-(trimethylsilyl)isoxazolidines 8 and 9, respectively, were the only regioisomers produced in the cycloaddition. The aryl group on the alkene controlled the regioselectivity of the cycloaddition.¹⁰ Alkyl vinylsilane 6, however, displayed diminished regioselec-

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^a Numbers in parentheses represent the ratio of stereoisomers. Ratios were determined by isolation or ¹H NMR analysis (360 MHz). ^b Yield of product mixture after purification by chromatography. Purity is $\geq 95\%$. ^cA mixture of regioisomers 10 and 11 in a ratio of 7:3. Each regioisomer is a single stereoisomer of undefined stereochemistry.

tivity and gave a 7:3 mixture of isoxazolidines in which the 4-silvl regioisomer predominated. These results were surprising since we had previously demonstrated that vinyltrimethylsilane underwent cycloaddition with nitrones to produce the 5-silylisoxazolidines with complete regioselectivity. This alteration in regioselectivity of the cycloaddition is presumably a manifestation of subtle changes in the HOMO/LUMO coefficients of the silanes induced by the addition of substituents.¹²

Allyltrimethylsilane (7) displayed total regioselectivity in the nitrone cycloaddition to produce 5-[(trimethylsilyl)methyl]isoxazolidines 12, 14, and 15 (entries 4, 6, 7; Table I). The regiochemistry of the cycloadducts was established by decoupling experiments.¹³

The nitrone cycloaddition also displayed modest stereoselectivity with silane dipolarophiles as indicated in Table I. Because the stereocenters at C-4 and C-5 in the corresponding isoxazolidines are lost in subsequent

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⁽¹¹⁾ Assignment of regiochemistry was made by analysis of the ¹H NMR spectra of the cycloadducts. For the 5-(trimethylsilyl)isoxazolidines the chemical shift of the proton at C-5 was approximately δ 3.9, whereas, the C-5 proton of the 4-(trimethylsilvl)isoxazolidines was observed at δ 4.3. (Compare 10, and 12 with 11.) Decoupling experiments also supported this assignment.

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entry	isoxazolidine	conditions ^a	product	yield, %	entry	isoxazolidine	conditions ^a	product	yield, %
1	Me-N B B	A	Me-NH Ph	87	7	$B_{n} = N \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} c_{0} Et \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ \\ $	В	Bn-NH PI	78
2	§	C,E	<u>16</u> ª	75	8	Me-N SiMe,	C,E	Me-NH	71
3	8	C, F		84		1 <u>2</u>		21	
4	Me-N 9	A	17 ^a 17 ^a	75	9	Bn-N-SiMe, 14	D	En-NH	78
5	^{PIn} SiMe, С, H, 10	A	мNH с, H, <u>18</u> а	89	10	Arto Ph Me-N SiMe, 15	G	Arto Ph Me-NAc 23	48
6	<u>10</u>	C,F	Me-NH 108	64					

^aSingle alkene geometry by gas chromatography (>99% purity). ^bSingle alkene by ¹H NMR (>95% purity). ^c (A) Zn/10% HCl (aqueous), THF (1:1 v/v), 50 °C, 1 h; (B) Zn/HCl, EtOH (1 M), 50 °C, 1 h; (C) H₂, Raney Ni (W-2)/20% NaOH (aqueous), MeOH (1:10 v/v), 12 h room temperature; (D) (i) H₂, Raney Ni (W-2)/EtOH, 12 h, room temperature, (ii) HCl, EtOH (1 M), 50 °C, 4 h; (E) H₂SO₄ (catalytic)/THF, 16 h, room temperature; (F) KH/THF, 1 h, room temperature; (G) (i) Zn, HOAc-H₂O (2:1 v/v), 18 h, 80 °C, (ii) Ac₂O, pyridine, 6 h, room temperature, (iii) Bu₄N*F⁻, 70 °C, 1 h.



transformations, the relative configuration of the stereoisomers was not determined.

As shown in Table II, reductive cleavage of the N,O bond of isoxazolidines derived from substituted vinylsilanes followed by Peterson olefination¹⁴ resulted in the formation of allylic amines with a single alkene geometry (entries 1–7, Table II).¹⁵ This approach to the preparation of allylic amines is especially useful because the geometry of the alkene can be controlled by choice of elimination conditions. For instance, nitrone 1 reacted with E silane 4 and Z silane 5 to give isoxazolidines 8 and 9, respectively. Treatment of 8 with Zn/HCl resulted in cleavage of the N,O bond and concommitant stereospecific anti elimination of trimethylsilanol¹⁴ to give (E)-alkene 16 (entry 1, Table II). Analogous treatment of isoxazolidine 9 gave (Z)-alkene 17 (entry 4; Table II). Alternatively, alkenes 16 and 17 could be prepared stereospecifically from isoxazolidine 8 by a two-step process in which Raney nickel reduction of 8 allowed isolation of the corresponding amino alcohol 24. Stereospecific anti elimination¹⁴ from 24 produced 16, while KH-promoted syn elimination¹⁴ gave 17 (see Scheme I).

Homoallylic amines¹⁵ 21–23 were prepared from the allyltrimethylsilane derived adducts 12, 14, and 15, respectively, by reduction of the N,O bond followed by elimination of trimethylsilanol.¹⁶

The results summarized in this communication indicate that the isoxazolidines derived from cycloadditions of nitrones with vinylsilanes and allyltrimethylsilane are versatile synthetic intermediates which can be elaborated into allylic and homoallylic amines, respectively. The application of this methodology to the total synthesis of natural products is in progress and will be reported in due course.

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Supplementary Material Available: Preparation, reduction, and elimination procedures for applicable compounds and spectral data for isoxazolidines 8–15 (3 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

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Additions and Corrections

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Chen-Chih Cheng, Catherine A. Seymour, Michael A. Petti, Frederick D. Greene,* and John F. Blount. Reaction of Electrophiles with Unsaturated Systems: Triazolinedione-Olefin Reactions.

Page 2912, column 2, Figure 3. Identification and values of the abscissa and the ordinate are missing. A complete version of Figure 3 is shown below.

Effect of solvent on rates of reaction of olefins with RTAD: tetramethylethylene,¹² indene,¹² adamantylideneadamantane,¹² 2-chloroethyl vinyl ether,^{3a} and *trans*-3-hexene^{2b,12} with PhTAD at 25 °C; 1,3-cyclooctadiene¹¹ with MeTAD at 20 °C.



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Page 2185. The relative rate for 13 is incorrect. It should be 1/23.

Stanley J. Cristol* and M. Zaki Ali. Photochemical Transformations. 38. Novel Transformations of Diarobicyclo[3.2.1]octadienes to Phenanthrenes and Dihydrophenanthrenes.

Page 2502. The scheme which should have been designated as III is described as II, and vice versa.

Cornelis J. Elsevier and Peter Vermeer*. Stereochemistry of the Palladium(0)-Catalyzed Phenylation of 1-Halogenoallenes.

Page 3044. In Scheme IV the complexes 8 and 9 should be numbered 7 and 8, respectively. The radical pair in Scheme VI should not be numbered.

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William G. Dauben,* Vincent P. Rocco, and Gideon Shapiro. Intramolecular [2 + 2] Photocycloaddition of 4-Substituted Cyclopent-2-en-1-ones.

Page 3157, column 2. In General Procedure for Analytical Irradiations, 3rd line, correct 1 mg/L to read 1 mg/mL.

David J. Hart* and Won-Pyo Hong. Lythraceae Alkaloids: Total Synthesis of (±)-Lythrancepine II.

Page 3671, line 5: (12) should be (11).

Theodore Cohen,* Lin-Chen Yu, and Wlodzimierz Daniewski. Sulfur-Assisted Ring Expansion of the Potassium Salts of 1-Vinylcyclobutanols. A Versatile Synthesis of Cyclohexanones.

Page 4598. A vinyl group was omitted from compound 16. The correct structure is

