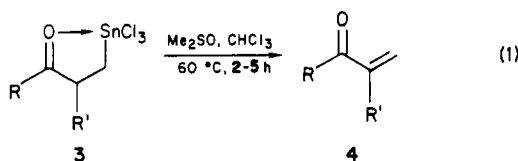


concomitantly, 2-methylene ketone **4g** was formed (monitored by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR). After 4 h, dehydrostannylation was complete, and the precipitate was filtered off. Aqueous workup of the filtrate (pentane/aqueous  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ ) followed by evaporation of the solvents and bulb-to-bulb distillation afforded 2-methylenecycloheptanone (**4g**) in 80% yield. Similarly, essentially quantitative conversion of **3** to **4** (eq 1) was observed in the reaction of **3** with  $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}-d_6/\text{CDCl}_3$



at 60 °C (by  $^1\text{H}$  NMR) except for **3f** which did not bear hydrogen  $\beta$  to the stannyl group.<sup>9</sup> The results are shown in Table I. The dehydrostannylation of **3d,e,g,h** proceeded with shorter reaction time than **3a-c**. It seems that for dehydrostannylation to occur, the intramolecular coordination of the carbonyl oxygen to the Sn atom (as indicated by IR) may play a key role. In fact, dehydrostannylation did not take place with simple *n*- $\text{BuSnCl}_3$  even under more forcing conditions (60 °C, 1 day). One plausible explanation for the present reaction is shown in Scheme I. The initial role of  $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}$  may be the one as a base toward  $\beta$ -hydrogen<sup>10</sup> which may be sufficiently acidic due to the inductive effect of the adjacent carbonyl coordinated to the Sn. Thus, the deprotonation from **5** and subsequent destannylation via **6** would occur to lead to **4** and  $\text{HSnCl}_3(\text{Me}_2\text{SO})_n$  complex.<sup>11,12</sup>

Interestingly, the reaction of siloxycyclopropane **7** with  $\text{SnCl}_4$  in  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  proceeded similarly and afforded  $\beta$ -trichlorostannyl aldehyde **8** (semisolid,  $\nu_{\text{C=O}}$  1680  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ ). The

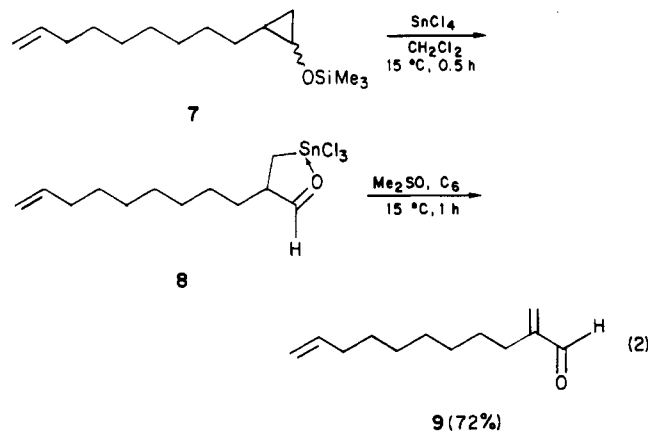
(9) As the preparative method of  $\beta$ -stannyl ketones **3**, hydrostannylation of  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketones with  $\text{HSnCl}_3$  (in situ generated under acidic conditions:  $\text{HCl}$  and  $\text{SnCl}_4$ ) has been known. The observed dehydrostannylation promoted by  $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}$  formally corresponds to its reverse reaction. See: Hutton, R. E.; Burley, J. W.; Oakes, B. J. *Organomet. Chem.* 1978, 156, 369.

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(11) Colorless crystals were obtained (mp >300 °C). The IR spectra (KBr) of this compound showed strong absorption at 900  $\text{cm}^{-1}$ , which should be ascribed to the coordinated  $\nu_{\text{S=O}}$ . The spectra was identical with that of the  $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}$  complex separately prepared according to the reaction of  $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}$  with in situ generated  $\text{HSnCl}_3$  (by treating  $\text{SnCl}_4 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$  with  $\text{Me}_2\text{SiCl}$  in ether). The number of coordinated  $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}$  molecules is not clear at the present time (1 and/or 2). Cf. Wayland, B. B.; Schramm, R. F. *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* 1968, 1465. Nametkin, N. S.; Kuz'min, O. V.; Korelov, V. K.; Kobrakov, K. I.; Patrikeev, A. V. *Izv. Akad. Nauk SSSR, Ser. Khim.* 1978, 676; *Chem. Abstr.* 1978, 89, 42292q.

(12) We have also shown previously that bicyclic siloxycyclopropanes **2** can be converted to the corresponding 2-methylenecycloalkanes **4** based on a  $\beta$ -metallo ketone approach involving the ring cleavage reaction of **2** with  $\text{Hg}(\text{OAc})_2/\text{PdCl}_2$  or  $\text{CuF}_2$ .<sup>4</sup> As referred to in our previous reports, these methods were often bothered by the contamination of side products (endocyclic alkenones or coupling dimers, respectively).

resulting crude **8** (4 mmol) was treated with  $\text{Me}_2\text{SO}$  (1 mL) in hexane (5 mL)<sup>13</sup> at 15 °C for 1 h, followed by separation of a white precipitate and aqueous treatment ( $\text{Et}_2\text{O}$ /aqueous  $\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ ). After removal of the solvents, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel to give a 72% yield of 2-methylene-10-undecenal (**9**) (eq 2).



Further synthetic application of  $\beta$ -stannyl ketones and aldehydes is now in progress.

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**Registry No.** **2a**, 38858-75-2; **2b**, 101653-02-5; **2c**, 54781-38-3; **2d**, 56011-29-1; **2e**, 50338-51-7; **2f**, 50338-50-6; **2g**, 50338-48-2; **2h**, 50338-49-3; **3a** (coordinate), 101653-11-6; **3a** (stannane), 101653-04-7; **3b** (coordinate), 101653-12-7; **3b** (stannane), 101653-05-8; **3c** (coordinate), 101653-13-8; **3c** (stannane), 101653-06-9; **3d** (coordinate), 101653-14-9; **3d** (stannane), 101653-07-0; **3e** (coordinate), 101653-15-0; **3e** (stannane), 101653-08-1; **3f** (coordinate), 101653-16-1; **3f** (stannane), 101653-09-2; **3g** (coordinate), 101653-17-2; **3g** (stannane), 101653-10-5; **3h**, 101653-18-3; **3h** (stannane), 101670-94-4; **4a**, 2177-30-2; **4b**, 1606-47-9; **4c**, 62672-77-9; **4d**, 769-60-8; **4e**, 42858-50-4; **4g**, 3045-99-6; **4h**, 3045-71-4; **7**, 101653-03-6; **8**, 101653-19-4; **9**, 22414-69-3;  $\text{SnCl}_4$ , 7646-78-8.

(13) The use of hexane instead of  $\text{CHCl}_3$  was advantageous for the formation of an easily separable hydrostannane precipitate.

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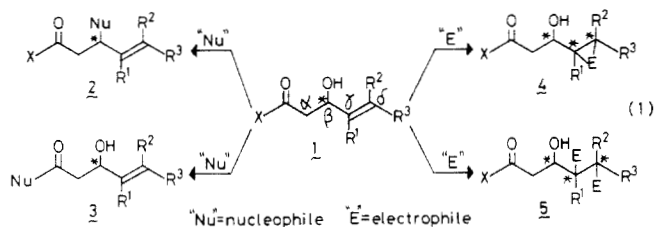
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### New C4-Chiral 1,3-Thiazolidine-2-thiones: Excellent Chiral Auxiliaries for Highly Diastereocontrolled Aldol-Type Reactions of Acetic Acid and $\alpha,\beta$ -Unsaturated Aldehydes

**Summary:** Diastereocontrolled aldol-type reactions between tin(II) enolates of 3-acetyl-4(*S*)-ETT (**6a**) and 3-acetyl-4(*S*)-IPTT (**6b**) and  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes **7a-c** were successfully carried out to give, with high diastereoselectivity, compounds **9a-e** (major products) and **10a-e** (minor products). The reaction conditions were also investigated in detail.

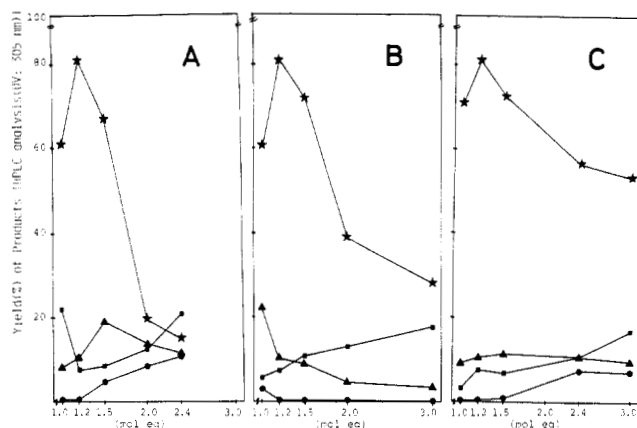
**Sir:** A chiral synthon,  $\alpha$ -nonsubstituted- $\beta$ -hydroxy- $\gamma,\delta$ -unsaturated carbonyl system (**1**) would be remarkably useful for construction of synthons **2-5** (eq 1). Chiral synthons **1-5** have often appeared in the complicated



molecules of biologically active natural products such as virginiamycins, compactin, nystatin A1, borrelidin, leucomycins, and so on.<sup>1</sup> Synthone 2 (X = OH or its equivalent group, Nu = protected amino group) is particularly useful for  $\beta$ -lactam synthesis.

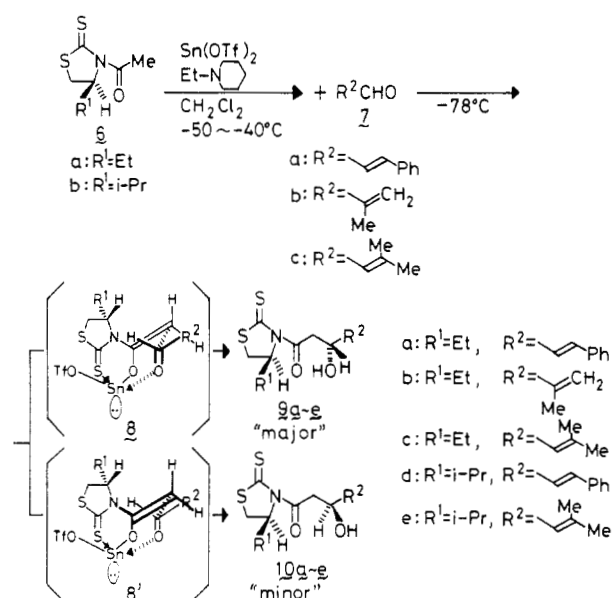
In spite of the utility of synthon 1, nobody has reported its chiral synthesis utilizing an aldol-type reaction with  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes, because of its remarkable sensitivity toward base or acid under the reaction conditions.<sup>2</sup> A few asymmetric aldol-type reactions employing saturated aldehydes and acetyl derivatives have been reported by Evans,<sup>3</sup> Mukaiyama,<sup>4</sup> and us.<sup>5</sup> However, these reaction conditions cannot be used without any improvement for chiral aldol-type reactions with  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes because of the following reasons. High diastereoselectivity is not expected.<sup>3,5</sup> Excess of additive amine may cause troubles: dehydration of the product and/or decrease of the diastereoselectivity (vide infra).<sup>4,5</sup> Therefore, we investigated carefully the chiral aldol-type reactions of acetic acid and  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes employing new C4-chiral 1,3-thiazolidine-2-thiones, 4-(S)-ethyl-1,3-thiazolidine-2-thione [4(S)-ETT]<sup>6</sup> and 4-(S)-isopropyl-1,3-thiazolidine-2-thione [4(S)-IPTT],<sup>6</sup> and enolate forming reagent system, tin(II) trifluoromethanesulfonate [tin(II) triflate],<sup>4</sup> and *N*-ethylpiperidine (Scheme I).<sup>7</sup> Divalent tin atoms can possess at least 2–4 ligands.<sup>8</sup> We assumed a most likely transition state (8) having four ligands and expected alcohol 9 as the major product for this diastereocontrolled aldol-type reaction.<sup>9</sup>

First, we examined the amounts of enolating reagents, which must be the most important factor and should control the stereoselectivity of this aldol-type reaction.



**Figure 1.** Effect of amount of (A) *N*-ethylpiperidine, (B) tin(II) triflate, and (C) *N*-ethylpiperidine plus tin(II) triflate; (■) compound 9a, (★) compound 9c, (▲) compound 10c, (●) compound 11.

### Scheme I



Thus, all the reactions were carried out as follows: A required amount of *N*-ethylpiperidine was added dropwise to a suspension of a required amount of tin(II) triflate in anhydrous  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (2.6 mL) at  $-50^\circ\text{C}$  to  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  under argon. Then, a  $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2$  (1.2 mL) solution of 3-acetyl-4-(S)-ETT (6a) (1 mmol) was added and the mixture was stirred at  $-50^\circ\text{C}$  to  $-40^\circ\text{C}$  for 4 h. After addition of 3-methyl-2-butenal (7c) (1.2 mmol) at  $-78^\circ\text{C}$ , the mixture was stirred at the same temperature for 30 min and treated as usual to give a mixture of products and some starting compounds, which was subjected to HPLC analysis. All results are exhibited in Figure 1A–C.

From the results, we realized some interesting facts. Diastereoselectivity and yield of this aldol-type reaction are remarkably susceptible to *N*-ethylpiperidine (Figure 1A). Relative yield ratio between diastereoisomers 9c and 10c apparently decreases in proportion to the increasing amount of *N*-ethylpiperidine from 1.2 molar equiv of the reagent. This may be due to the coordination of *N*-ethylpiperidine to the tin(II) enolates of 3-acetyl-4(S)-ETT, from the less hindered side, which would interfere stereoselective approach of aldehyde 7c. Excess *N*-ethylpiperidine also promoted dehydration of the resulting alcoholic product and gave a conjugated diene compound 11. A small excess of tin(II) triflate does not affect strongly

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(7) The aldol-type reactions of the tin(II) enolate of 3-acetyl-4(S)-ETT (6a) and 3-acetyl-4(S)-IPTT (6b) with saturated aldehydes proceeded smoothly by employing 1.5 molar equiv of tin(II) triflate and 1.6 molar equiv of *N*-ethylpiperidine. Superior diastereoselectivities in the range of 92.3:7.7–98.5:1.5 ratios were gained (unpublished results by us). Compare with the cases (diastereoselectivities 81.8:18.2–91.4:8.6)<sup>5</sup> of chiral 3-acetyl-1,3-oxazolidin-2-thiones.

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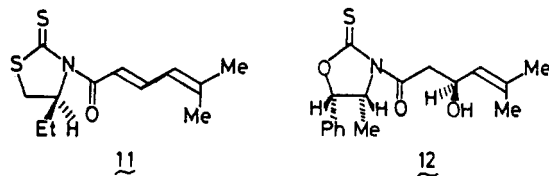
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**Table I. Diastereocontrolled Aldol-Type Reactions between C4-Chiral 3-Acetyl-1,3-thiazolidine-2-thiones (ATT) and  $\alpha,\beta$ -Unsaturated Aldehyde**

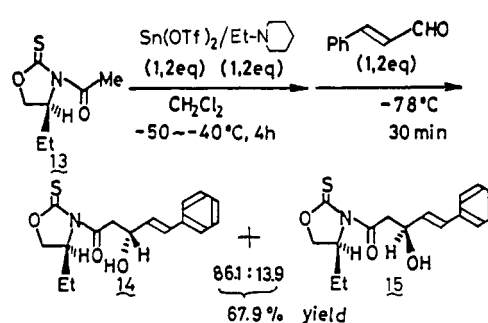
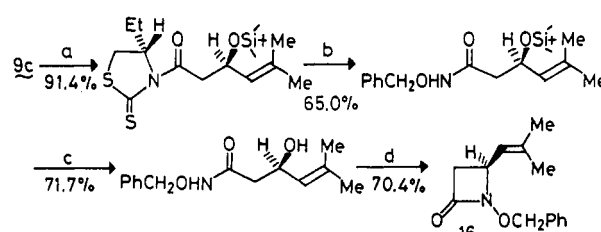
ATT	aldehyde	diastereoisomer selectivity <sup>a</sup>	isolated yield <sup>b</sup> (%)
6a	7a	92.7:7.3 (9a:10a)	77.0
6a	7b	93.1:6.9 (9b:10b)	74.2
6a	7c	88.6:11.4 (9c:10c)	72.4
6b	7a	97.1:2.9 (9d:10d)	81.2
6b	7c	97.3:2.7 (9e:10e)	70.2

<sup>a</sup> Determined by HPLC analysis (UV: 305 nm). <sup>b</sup> Total yields of both stereoisomers.

the relative yield ratio between 9c and 10c. Dehydration of 9c is not observed (Figure 1B). Recovery of 6a and the decrease of yields of both products 9c and 10c were observed, however, according to the increase of the amount of tin(II) triflate. Hence, it may be speculated that excess tin(II) triflate may act on the aldehyde and/or *N*-ethylpiperidine but not on tin(II) enolate of 6a. Simultaneous increase of equimolar amount of *N*-ethylpiperidine and tin(II) triflate affects to a small extent both the product ratio and their yields but a considerable increase of recovery of 6a and dehydration to 11 were observed (Figure 1C). Consequently, the conditions under which 1.2 molar equiv of *N*-ethylpiperidine and tin(II) triflate were used were shown to give the best result.



Thus, all aldol-type reactions employing 3-acetyl-4-(*S*)-ETT (6a) and 3-acetyl-4(*S*)-IPTT (6b) with  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehyde 7a-c were performed under such conditions to afford 9a-e as major products in a highly diastereoselective manner. The minor products 10a-e might be obtained predominantly via a transition state (8') because of the bulkiness of the R<sup>1</sup> group of the thiazolidine-2-thione moiety which apparently controls the diastereoselectivity (see Table I). Chromatographic separation of the major product 9 and the corresponding minor product 10 on a silica gel column can be readily monitored by the yellow color due to the 3-acyl-1,3-thiazolidine-2-thione structure.<sup>10</sup> All results are summarized in Table I. Absolute configuration of aldol products 9c, 9e, 10c, and 10e was confirmed by chemical correlation with compound 12,<sup>11</sup> whose stereochemistry had been determined by X-ray analysis. Stereochemistry of other compounds 9a, 9b, 9d, 10a, 10b, and 10d was determined by the similarity in characteristic ABX-type peaks pattern (400-MHz <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectrum) which is assignable to  $\alpha$ -CH<sub>2</sub> in the major products 9c and 9e and their corresponding minor products 10c and 10e, respectively. We have compared the relative merits between C4-chiral 1,3-thiazolidine-2-thione and C4-chiral 1,3-oxazolidine-2-

**Scheme II****Scheme III<sup>a</sup>**

<sup>a</sup> (a) TBDMS-chloride, imidazole, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C; (b) *O*-benzylhydroxylamine hydrochloride, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>; (c) Bu<sub>4</sub>NF, THF; (d) Ph<sub>3</sub>P, DEAD, THF.

thiones in this diastereocontrolled aldol-type reaction. We realized 3-acetyl-4(*S*)-ethyl-1,3-oxazolidine-2-thione (13) to be slightly less stereoselective than 3-acetyl-4(*S*)-ETT (6a) (Scheme II and Table I). In the former case, the separation of 13 and both products 14 and 15 on a silica gel column cannot be monitored because of their colorless nature. Thus, new C4-chiral-1,3-thiazolidine-2-thiones [4(*S*)-IPTT and 4(*S*)-ETT] proved to be excellent chiral auxiliaries for chiral aldol-type reactions of acetic acid with  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes.

Finally, we synthesized a chiral  $\beta$ -lactam 16 [colorless oil, [ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub><sup>20</sup> +49.9° (c 0.85, CHCl<sub>3</sub>)] by utilizing active amide 9c, which is shown in Scheme III.<sup>12</sup>

**Registry No.** 6a, 101979-44-6; 6b, 101979-45-7; 7a, 104-55-2; 7b, 78-85-3; 7c, 107-86-8; 9a, 101979-46-8; 9b, 101979-47-9; 9c, 101979-48-0; 9d, 101979-49-1; 9e, 101979-50-4; 10a, 101979-51-5; 10b, 101979-52-6; 10c, 101997-90-4; 10d, 101979-53-7; 10e, 101979-54-8; 11, 101979-55-9; 13, 98290-54-1; 14, 101979-56-0; 15, 101979-57-1; 16, 101979-58-2; 4(*S*)-ETT, 42163-68-8; 4(*S*)-IPTT, 76186-04-4; (*R*)-PhCH<sub>2</sub>ONHC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>CH(OSiMe<sub>2</sub>-*t*-Bu)CH=C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, 101979-59-3; (*R*)-PhCH<sub>2</sub>ONHC(O)CH<sub>2</sub>CH(OH)CH=C(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, 101979-60-6; 2(*S*)-amino-1-butanol, 5856-62-2; 2(*S*)-amino-3-methyl-1-butanol, 2026-48-4; 3-[1-oxo-3(*R*)-[(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy]-5-methylhex-4-enyl]-4(*S*)-ethyltetrahydrothiazole-2-thione, 101997-91-5.

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