Compound 11: ¹H NMR & 6.22 (t, 1 H), 4.58 (brs, 1 H), 3.95-3.3 (m, 4 H), 2.25 (dt, 2 H), 1.8-1.2 (unresolved m, 18 H), 0.14 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 142.1, 131.3, 98.9, 67.7, 62.3, 32.5, 30.9, 29.8, 29.4, 29.4, 29.2, 28.1, 26.2, 25.6, 19.7, -1.9.

10-Bromo-1-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(Z)-9-decene (10) was prepared in the same way as the E isomer 9 from 1-(2tetrahydropyranyloxy)-10-(trimethylsilyl)-(E)-9-decene (8) in a 60% yield. No E isomer could be detected: ¹H NMR δ 6.15 (d, $J_{AB} = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, \text{CH}_{2C}\text{CH}_{B}$ =-CH_A, 1 H), 6.10 (dt, $J_{AB} = 7.0 \text{ Hz}, J_{BC}$ = 6.8 Hz, 1 H), 4.58 (brs, 1 H), 3.95–3.3 (m, 4 H), 2.19 (dt, 2 H), 1.8–1.2 (unresolved m, 18 H); 18 C NMR δ 134.7, 107.4, 98.6, 67.4, 62.0, 30.7, 29.6, 29.5, 29.2 (2 C), 28.9, 28.0, 26.1, 25.4, 19.5.

(E)-Butenyl-1,3,2-benzodioxaborole (12) was prepared from 1-butyne and catecholborane according to literature procedure¹⁶ and was distilled before use.

(Z)-1-Butenyldisiamylborane (13) was prepared from 1bromobutyne¹⁷ and disiamylborane according to literature procedure.18

1-(2-Tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(9E,11E)-9,11-tetradecadiene (14). A mixture of (E)-1-butenyl-1,3,2-benzodioxaborole (12) (0.5 mL, 1 M in toluene), sodium ethoxide (0.5 mL, 2 M in ethanol), and 3-tert-butyl-4-hydroxyanisol (BHA) (5 mol %) was added to 10-bromo-1-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(E)-9-decene (9) (112 mg, 0.35 mmol) and Pd(PPh₃)₄ (3 mol %) in 1 mL of toluene at 25 °C.¹² The mixture was then warmed to 65 °C, and after about 45 min, the reaction was found to be complete by GC. Aqueous H₂O₂ (1 mL, 30% aqueous) and NaOH (1 mL, 2 M aqueous) were then added at 25 °C to destroy excess borane. The product was then taken up in Et_2O , which was washed (brine, H_2O) and dried $(MgSO_4)$. Chromatography gave an 87% yield of 14 with no detectable isomers: ¹H NMR & 6.05-5.90 (m, 2 H), 5.64-5.47 (m, 2 H), 4.58 (brs, 1 H), 3.95-3.3 (m, 4 H), 2.02 (m, 4 H), 1.8-1.2 (unresolved m, 18 H), 0.96 (t, 3 H)

1-(2-Tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(9Z,11E)-9,11-tetradecadiene (15) was prepared as described above from the corresponding 10-bromo-1-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(Z)-9-decene (10) and (E)-1-butenyl-1,3,2-benzodioxaborole (12) in an 85% yield: ¹ H NMR δ 6.30 (m, 1 H), 5.91 (dd, $J_{AB} = 10.5$ Hz, CH_A= $CH_BCH_C = CH_D, 1 H$), 5.66 (dt, $J_{CD} = 15.1 Hz$, $J_{D,CH2} = 6.5 Hz$, 1 H), 5.26 (dt, J_{AB} = 10.5 Hz, $J_{A,CH2}$ = 7.1 Hz, 1 H), 4.55 (brs, 1 H), 3.95–3.3 (m, 4 H), 2.1 (m, 4 H), 1.8–1.2 (unresolved m, 18 H), 1.01 (t, 3 H)

1-(2-Tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(9E,11Z)-9,11-tetradecadiene (16) was similarly prepared from 10-bromo-1-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(E)-9-decene (9) and (Z)-1-butenyldisiamylborane in 73% yield (63% of pure diene contaminated with 10% of the terminal ene 22) and was used as such in the next step. Compound 22: ¹H NMR δ 5.89–5.69 (m, 1 H), 5.02–4.86 (dd, 2 H), 4.56 (brs, 1 H), 3.95-3.3 (m, 4 H), 2.0 (m, 2 H), 1.8-1.2 (unresolved m, 12 H)

1-(2-Tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(9Z,11Z)-9,11-tetradecadiene (17) was similarly prepared from 10-bromo-1-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(Z)-9-decene (10) and (Z)-1-butenyldisiamylborane in a 73% yield (63% of pure diene contaminated with 10% of the terminal ene 22) and was used as such in the next step.

Deprotection of the 1-(2-Tetrahydropyranyloxy)-9,11tetradecadienes (14-17). A typical procedure was as follows. 1-(2-Tetrahydropyranyloxy)-(9E,11Z)-9,11-tetradecadiene (16) (100 mg, 0.34 mmol) was added to pyridinium tosylate (8.5 mg, 0.1 equiv) in ethanol (3 mL). 3-tert-Butyl-4-hydroxyanisol (BHA, 0.1 mol %) was then added to the mixture, which was warmed to 45 °C for 3 h. Sodium bicarbonate (100 mg) was added and the solvent evaporated. Chromatography yielded 85% of the isomerically pure product. The elution order of the alcohols on capillary GC on Carbowax 20 M, 25 m, at 160 °C was Z, E, E, Z, Z,Z, and E,E.

(9E,11E)-9,11-Tetradecadienol (18): ¹H NMR δ 6.05-5.98 (m, 2 H), 5.7–5.5 (m, 2 H), 3.65 (m, 2 H), 2.08 (m, 4 H), 1.37–1.27 (unresolved m, 12 H), 1.0 (t, 3 H); $^{13}\mathrm{C}$ NMR δ 133.8, 132.3, 130.4, 129.5, 63.1, 32.9, 32.6, 29.4, 29.4, 29.1, 29.1, 25.7, 25.6, 13.7.

(9Z,11E)-9,11-Tetradecadienol (19): ¹H NMR δ 6.28 (dd, 1 H), 5.93 (dd, 1 H), 5.67 (dt, J_{CD} = 15.5 Hz, CH_A = CH_BCH_C = CH_D , 1 H), 5.28 (dt, $J_{AB} = 10.2$ Hz, 1 H), 3.62 (m, 2 H), 2.1 (m, 4 H), 1.35–1.25 (unresolved m, 12 H), 1.0 (t, 3 H); $^{13}\!\mathrm{C}$ NMR δ 136.1, 130.0, 128.7, 124.8, 63.1, 32.8, 29.7, 29.4, 29.4, 29.2, 27.6, 25.8, 25.7, 13.6.

(9E,11Z)-9,11-Tetradecadienol (20): ¹H NMR δ 6.28 (dd, 1 H), 5.89 (dd, 1 H), 5.63 (dt, J_{AB} = 15.1 Hz, CH_A = CH_BCH_C = CH_D , 1 H), 5.28 (dt, $J_{CD} = 10.4$ Hz, 1 H), 3.62 (m, 2 H), 2.1 (m, 4 H), 1.35–1.25 (unresolved m, 12 H), 0.97 (t, 3 H); 13 C NMR δ 134.3, 131.3, 127.8, 125.3, 63.2, 33.1, 33.1, 29.8, 29.7, 29.7, 29.5, 26.1, 21.4, 14.7.

(9Z,11Z)-9,11-Tetradecadienol (21): ¹H NMR δ 6.27-6.12 (m, 2 H), 5.50–5.33 (m, 2 H), 3.65 (q, 2 H), 2.18 (m, 4 H), 1.36–1.24 (unresolved m, 12 H), 1.0 (t, 3 H); 13 C NMR δ 133.6, 132.0, 123.6, 123.1, 63.1, 32.9, 29.6, 29.5, 29.4, 29.2, 27.5, 25.8, 20.8, 14.2.

Acetylation of the 9,11-Tetradecadienols (18-21). A typical procedure was as follows. (9E,11E)-9,11-Tetradecadienol (18) (35 mg, 0.17 mmol) was added to acetic anhydride (0.8 mL) and pyridine (4 mL) at -10 °C and left in the refrigerator overnight. The mixture was then poured into ice-water, extracted (Et₂O), and chromatographed to give an almost quantitative yield of >99% pure product. No loss in isomeric purity was observed. The elution order of the acetates on capillary GC on Carbowax 20 M, 25m was Z,E, E,Z, Z,Z, and E,E.

(9E,11E)-9,11-Tetradecadienyl acetate (1): ¹H NMR δ 6.05-5.90 (m, 2 H), 5.65-5.5 (m, 2 H), 4.03 (t, 2 H), 2.05 (m, 4 H), 2.02 (s, 3 H), 1.37-1.22 (unresolved m, 12 H), 0.97 (t, 3 H).

(9Z,11E)-9,11-Tetradecadienyl acetate (2): ¹H NMR δ 6.28 (dd, 1 H), 5.93 (dd, 1 H), 5.69 (dt, $J_{CD} = 15.5$ Hz, $CH_A =$ $CH_BCH_C = CH_D$, 1 H), 5.28 (dt, $J_{AB} = 10.2$ Hz, 1 H), 4.03 (t, 2 H), 2.1 (m, 4 H), 2.02 (s, 3 H), 1.33-1.23 (unresolved m, 12 H), 1.0 (t, 3 H).

(9E,11Z)-9,11-Tetradecadienyl acetate (3): ¹H NMR δ 6.2 (dd, 1 H), 5.9 (dd, 1 H), 5.6 (dt, $J_{AB} = 15.1$ Hz, $CH_A = CH_BCH_C = CH_D$, 1 H), 5.28 (dt, $J_{CD} = 10.4$ Hz, 1 H), 4.03 (t, 2 H), 2.17 (m, 4 H), 2.02 (s, 3 H), 1.37-1.21 (unresolved m, 12 H), 0.98 (t, 3 H).

(9Z,11Z)-9,11-Tetradecadienyl acetate (4): ¹H NMR δ 6.30-6.12 (m, 2 H), 5.48-5.36 (m, 2 H), 4.03 (t, 2 H), 2.15 (m, 4 H), 2.02 (s, 3 H), 1.35-1.23 (unresolved m, 12 H), 0.97 (t, 3 H).

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Reactions of Singlet Oxygen with Alkoxy-Substituted Dienes. Formation of Dioxetanes in the Singlet Oxygenations of s-Cis Fixed Dienes (Z,Z)- and

(E,Z)-4,5-Diethylidene-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolanes

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Extensive investigations over the past several years have established that singlet oxygen has a proclivity to undergo $2 + 2^2 4 + 2^3$, and ene⁴ reactions with organic substrates. In addition, physical quenching of singlet oxygen by substrates with low ionization potentials⁵ or low triplet energies⁶ also occurs.

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Recent studies with 1,3-butadienes have demonstrated that these substrates are excellent templates to explore the mechanistic details of all of these reactions.⁷ In particular, the isomeric 1,4-di-*tert*-butoxy-1,3-butadienes⁸ have already demonstrated their ability to act as sensitive probes of the singlet oxygen 2 + 2 energy surface. An intriguing loss of stereochemistry in those reactions provided evidence for freely rotating intermediates.⁹

As part of our continuing program to design and demonstrate the utility of 1,3-butadiene mechanistic probes for the reactions of singlet oxygen and other electrophiles, such as triazolinediones,¹⁰ we report here the reactions of singlet oxygen with 2,3-dialkoxy-1,3-butadienes 1, 2, and 3.



Compounds 1 and 2 were synthesized by the method of Scharf.¹¹ Compound 2 had not been previously reported but was a minor component (10%) formed in the synthesis of 1. These two compounds were successfully separated and purified by preparative gas chromatography.

In the reactions of both these compounds 2 + 2 cycloaddition occurred in competition with 4 + 2 cycloaddition despite the fact that both compounds are tied *s*-cis. (eq 1 and 2) The singlet oxygen reactions were conducted by



irradiation of oxygen-saturated acetone- d_6 solutions of the dienes and Rose Bengal at -78 °C through a 0.5% K₂Cr₂O₇ filter solution. The extent of reaction was monitored by low-temperature ¹H and ¹³C NMR. Irradiation in the presence of DABCO or using *meso*-tetraphenylporphine

Table I. Rates of Reaction of Singlet Oxygen with 1 and 2^a

compd	$10^{-7}k \ (M^{-1} \ s^{-1})$	
 1	3.2	
2	2.3	
E,E	8.5	
E,Z	5.3	
Z,Z	2.0	

^aMeasured in methylene chloride using the Young kinetic method.

and eosin as dyes verified that singlet oxygen was the reactive intermediate in these reactions. Control experiments in argon-saturated solutions demonstrated that both dienes maintained their stereochemical integrities under the influence of light and the sensitizing dyes. The absence of stereochemically scrambled dienes after partial photo-oxidations also demonstrated the inability of singlet oxygen to induced isomerizations^{7a} of 1 or 2.

The proton NMR spectra of all five products were assigned with the aid of single frequency decoupling experiments and are consistent with the structures as shown in eq 1 and 2. The dioxetanes 4, 5, and 6 were not stable at room temperature but slowly decomposed (eq 3 and 4)



to form the corresponding lactones and acetaldehyde. Endoperoxide 7 but not 8 exhibited a temperature-dependent proton NMR spectrum. The doublet for the *cis*-methyl groups in 7 coalesced and were observed as two doublets at -80 °C consistent with a slow half-chair/ half-chair interconversion.¹² The spectral data for all the compounds are given in the Experimental Section.

In contrast to the reactions of the isomeric 1,4-di-tertbutoxy-1,3-butadienes, compounds 1 and 2 were susceptible to overphotooxidation. Dioxetane 4 and both endoperoxides disappeared upon extended irradiation in an oxygen but not an argon atmosphere. Consequently the ratios of products shown in eq 1 and 2 were determined early in the reaction. These product ratios were invariant with a change in solvent from acetone- d_6 to CD_2Cl_2 . The endoperoxides appeared to be more susceptible to photooxidative destruction than the dioxetanes perhaps due to the presence of a bis-activated double bond. The products of the overphotooxidation were not isolated or characterized.

The rates of reaction were measured by using the Young kinetic method¹³ and are reported in Table I. These rates were determined at low concentrations of substrate in order to avoid quenching of diphenylisobenzofuran.^{7b} The rates of reaction of (E,E), (E,Z),- and (Z,Z)-1,4-di-*tert*-butoxy-1,3-butadiene are included in Table I for comparison. The bis methylidene diene 3 was remarkably unreactive and no products were observed even after 4.5 h of irradiation. The increased ability of 1,4-bis-alkoxy

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Figure 1. Molecular orbital diagram for the interaction of singlet oxygen with 1- and 2-alkoxy-substituted 1,3-butadienes.

substituents to enhance the singlet oxygen reactivity of 1,3-butadienes in comparison to 2,3-bis-alkoxy substituents is explicable in frontier molecular orbital terms as depicted in Figure 1.¹⁴ The 1-substituent is more effective at raising the HOMO of the diene than is the 2-substituent,¹⁵ leading to a larger stabilization energy and consequently a smaller activation barrier.

The poor Diels-Alder reactivity of diene 1 has been attributed¹¹ to a large separation between the terminal carbons in the 1,3-diene moiety (1,4-distance) and may be the underlying reason for the ability of the 2 + 2 cycloaddition to compete with the 4 + 2 cycloaddition of singlet oxygen.

Experimental Section

Preparation gas chromatographic separations were carried out on a Hewlett Packard 5710A gas chromatograph on a 20% Carbowax 20M/Chromsorb W NAW $^{1}/_{4}$ in. by 20 ft column. Proton and carbon NMR spectra were obtained on a JOEL FX 270 at 270 at 67.83 MHz, respectively. The proton and carbon spectra are referenced to tetramethylsilane. Mass spectra were obtained by electron impact on a VG-ZAB-1F. Infared spectra were obtained on a Beckman Microlab 600 spectrometer. Kinetic studies were completed on a Perkin-Elmer MPF-2A spectrofluorometer.

Photolysis Conditions. A mixture of 13–17 mg of 1 or 2 and 10 μ L of a 10⁻³ M Rose Bengal stock solution was placed in 1 mL of acetone- d_6 . Half of this solution was then placed in a 5-mm NMR tube and saturated with oxygen for 30 min. The irradiation was conducted with a WKO 750-W 120-V lamp through 1 cm of a 0.5% K₂Cr₂O₇ filter solution. The reaction was monitored by low-temperature NMR (-65 °C to -80 °C) after removing the oxygen by bubbling with argon for a half-hour.

(Z,Z)- and (E,Z)-4,5-Diethylidene-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolane (2). These compounds were synthesized by the method of Scharf¹¹ and were separated by preparative gas chromatography. The retention times were 19 min for 1 and 22 min for 2 when the helium flow rate was 120 mL/min, the injector temperature 200 °C, the detector temperature 200 °C, and the column temperature program set to 120 °C for 22 min and then ramped at 16 °C/min to 190 °C. (Z,Z)-1: 'H NMR (acetone- d_6) δ 4.76 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 1.62 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 6 H), 1.46 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (acetone- d_6) δ 147.17 (s), 111.65 (s), 89.41 (d, J = 159 Hz), 26.19 (q, J = 127

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(3Z,8Z)-8-Ethylidene-3,6,6-trimethyl-1,2,5,7-tetraoxaspiro[3.4]octane (4): ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6 ; -80 °C) δ 5.99 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.39 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.97 (s, 3 H), 1.69 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.67 (s, 3 H), 1.42 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H).

(3Z,8E)-8-Ethylidene-3,6,6-trimethyl-1,2,5,7-tetraoxaspiro[3.4]octane (5): ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6 ; -65 °C) δ 5.01 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.30 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.97 (s, 3 H), 1.66 (s, 3 H), 1.171 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.166 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (acetone- d_6 ; -65 °C) δ 120.37, 112.19, 110.85, 83.26, 80.49, 28.03, 27.56, 11.93, 9.40.

(3*E*,8*Z*)-8-Ethylidene-3,6,6-trimethyl-1,2,5,7-tetraoxaspiro[3.4]octane (6): ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6 ; -65 °C) δ 6.03 (q, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 5.33 (q, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.07 (d, *J* = 7.7 Hz, 3 H), 1.51 (s, 3 H), 1.49 (d, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.35 (s, 3 H).

cis-4,7-Dihydro-2,2,4,7-tetramethyl-1,3-dioxolo[4,5-d]-odioxin (7): ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6 ; -80 °C) δ 5.05 (dq, J = 1.4, 6.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.80 (dq, J = 1.4, 6.2 Hz, 1 H), 1.58 (s, 3 H), 1.55 (s, 3 H), 1.22 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.17 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H); (acetone- d_6 ; room temperature) δ 4.81 (q, J = 6.6 Hz, 2 H), 1.56 (s, 3 H), 1.52 (s, 3 H), 1.29 (d, J = 6.6 Hz, 6 H).

trans -4,7-Dihydro-2,2,4,7-tetramethyl-1,3-dioxolo[4,5d]-o-dioxin (8): ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6 ; -65 °C) δ 5.10 (q, J = 5.9 Hz, 2 H), 1.59 (s, 6 H), 1.18 (d, J = 5.9 Hz, 6 H).

(Z)-5-Ethylidene-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-one (9). This compound was isolated by preparative gas chromatography from the decomposition of 1,2-dioxetane 4: ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6) δ 5.55 (q, J = 7.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.73 (d, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.62 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (acetone- d_6) δ 162.90 (s), 140.32 (s), 111.59 (s), 105.17 (d, J = 162 Hz), 26.75 (q, J = 125 Hz), 10.71 (q, J = 127 Hz); IR (film) 3000 (m), 1790 (s).

(*E*)-5-Ethylidene-2,2-dimethyl-1,3-dioxolan-4-one (10). This compound was purified by recrystallization from acetone: ¹H NMR (acetone- d_6) δ 4.59 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 1.95 (s, 6 H), 1.25 (d, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H); ¹³C NMR (acetone- d_6) δ 172.78 (s), 111.13 (s), 82.18 (d, J = 153 Hz), 81.15 (s), 28.33 (q, J = 129 Hz), 13.70 (q, J = 131 Hz); IR (CCl₄) 3000 (w), 1770 (s); high resolution mass spectrum for C₇H₁₀O₃ calcd 142.0630, found 142.0627.

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Metabolites of the Antarctic Sponge Dendrilla membranosa

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