

2.58–2.52 (m, 2), 2.44–2.38 (m, 2), 2.16 (t, $J = 7.4$ Hz, 2), 2.06 (s, 3), 1.48–1.25 (m, 6), 0.87 (t, $J = 6.9$ Hz, 3); ^{13}C NMR 209.04, 169.47, 140.41, 34.26, 31.75, 31.44, 28.03, 22.95, 22.47, 17.17, 13.99.

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exo,endo-3-((Dimethylamino)methyl)-*d*-camphor: *d*-Camphor Mannich Products

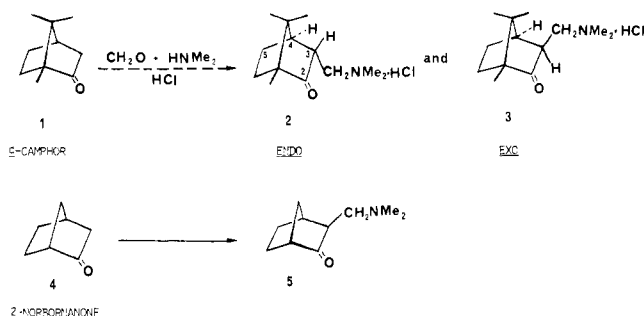
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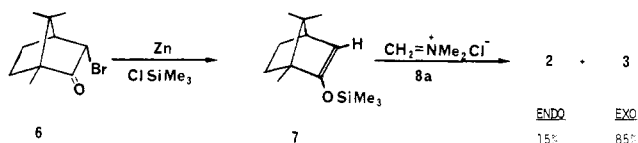
Of the two 3-((dimethylamino)methyl) Mannich products from *d*-camphor (1), the endo product (2) has been described by Hine and co-workers.^{3,4} Several other reports⁵ on reactions to give these products fail to consider the stereochemistry of the reaction and do not adequately characterize the product or product mixtures. It appears, however, that the exo compound 3 has not been previously described. Here we consider the synthesis and properties of this exo diastereomer 3, its configurational assignment, and its equilibration with the endo isomer via the enolate anion.

Although the classical conditions for the Mannich condensation⁶ ($\text{CH}_2\text{O} + \text{HNMe}_2\cdot\text{HCl}$) work well for the unsubstituted 2-norbornanone⁷ (4) to give the less hindered exo isomer 5, these conditions are not applicable to the more hindered camphor. *exo*-3-((Dimethylamino)-



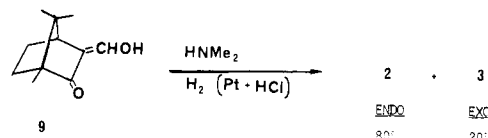
methyl)-*d*-camphor (3) has now been prepared by the reaction of dimethylmethylenammonium chloride⁸ (8a) or

dimethylmethylenammonium iodide (8b, Eschenmoser's salt⁹) in acetonitrile solvent with the trimethylsilyl enol ether¹⁰ (7) of *d*-camphor, which was prepared from *endo*-(+)-3-bromo-*d*-camphor (6 → 7). The crude product



from the reaction of 7 with 8a ($\text{CH}_2=\text{NMe}_2^+\text{Cl}^-$) is a mixture of endo and exo isomers (2 and 3) in approximately 15:85 ratio (as determined from the well-separated 400-MHz NMR signals of the H-3 and H-4 protons of the exo and endo isomers as either the salts or free bases; cf. Table I). Crystallization gave the purified exo isomer (mp 219–220 °C) in an isolated yield of 66%. The same reaction using dimethylmethylenammonium iodide (8b, Eschenmoser's salt) gave an 86% yield of crude *exo*-hydroiodide (3-HI) that contained less than 3% of the endo isomer.

The procedure used by Hine and co-workers,^{3,4,5b} in which 3-(hydroxymethylene)-*d*-camphor¹¹ (9) was treated



with dimethylamine followed by hydrogenation in the presence of platinum oxide and hydrochloric acid,¹² gave a 90% yield of a 4:1 mixture of isomers (2-HCl/3-HCl). Repeated crystallations of these hydrochlorides gave a single product, mp 208–209 °C. Hine and co-workers assigned the endo configuration, 2, to this product based on its proton NMR spectra. We have verified this assignment and have made the exo assignment to the other isomer based on decoupling studies on the hydrochlorides and free bases of both 2 and 3 as given in Table I. The rigid camphor system permits the application of the Karplus equation^{13a} to these isomers with confidence. The dihedral angle between H-3 and H-4 in the exo isomer is close to 90° and no appreciable coupling of these protons would be expected. This is observed for the major isomer prepared from the silyl enol ether, 7, and the minor isomer obtained from the hydroxymethylene derivative 9. The corresponding angle between H-3 and H-4 in the endo isomer is about 30° for which a coupling constant of 3–4 Hz would be expected, as is observed for the major isomer obtained from 9. Furthermore, as expected, a long-range coupling between H-3 and H-5 β was observed in the endo isomer (as the base 2 or salt 2-HCl or 2-HI) by virtue of the "W" configuration¹⁴ of these protons. No such coupling was observed for the major isomer (3) prepared from the silyl enol ether.

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Table I. ¹H NMR Data:^a Chemical Shifts (δ) and Couplings (J , Hz) for Compounds 2, 3, 10, and 11^{a,b}

compd	CH ₂ N	H-3	H-4	H-5 β	H-5 α	H-6 α	H-6 β	NMe ₂	Me-9,9,10
2-HCl (3-endo-; R, R' = O)	A 3.13 ^c m	3.07 m	2.62 t	1.96 m ^c	1.77 dt (1.82-1.73)	1.44 m ^c	1.23 m ^c	2.85 s	1.04 s
	B 3.12 ^c { 3.08-3.17	$J_{3-11} \approx 3$ $J_{3-4} = 4$ $J_{3-5\beta} \approx 1.5$	$J_{4-3} \approx 4$ $J_{4-5\beta} \approx 4$	$J_{5\beta-4} \approx 4$ $J_{5\beta-3} \approx 1.5$		(1.44-1.39)	(1.28-1.19)		0.97 s 0.94 s
2-base (3-endo-; R, R' = O)	$J_{11A-B} = 7$ $J_{11-3} \approx 3$	2.63 m	2.16 t	1.83 m (1.78-1.88)	1.68 dt (1.64-1.73)	1.58 m ^c	1.26 m ^c	2.25 s	1.00 s
	A 2.51 dd B 2.41 dd	$J_{3-11A} = 12$ $J_{3-11B} = 4.8$ $J_{3-4} = 4.6$ $J_{3-5\beta} \approx 1.5$	$J_{4-3} = 4.6$ $J_{4-5\beta} = 4.3$	coupled to 3, 4, 5 α , 6 α , 6 β protons	coupled to 5 β , 6 α , 6 β protons	(1.53-1.62)	(1.22-1.34)		0.92 s 0.88 s
3-HCl (3-exo-; R, R' = O)	A 3.13 m ^c B 3.09	2.50 t	2.40 d	2.09 m (2.05-2.15)	1.72 m	1.68 m	1.56 m	2.84 s	0.98 s
	$J_{11A-B} = 1.3$ $J_{11-3} = 4$	$J_{3-11A} = 4.5$ $J_{3-11B} = 4.5$	$J_{4-5\beta} = 4.3$	coupled to 4, 5 α , 6 α , 6 β protons	(1.64-1.77) coupled to 4, 5 β , 6 protons		$J_{6\beta-6\alpha} = 14$ $J_{6\beta-5\alpha} = 5$		0.92 s 0.72 s
3-HI (3-exo-; R, R' = O)	A 3.23 dd B 3.09 dd	2.61 t	2.46 d	2.10 m	1.76 m	1.71 m	1.57 m	2.78 s	0.97 s
	$J_{11A-B} = 13$ $J_{11A-3} = 4$ $J_{11B-3} = 4$	$J_{3-11A} = 4$ $J_{3-11B} = 4$	$J_{6\beta-4} = 4.0$		(1.68-1.78)		(1.50-1.61)		0.92 s 0.73 s
3-base (3-exo-; R, R' = O)	A 2.66 dd B 2.39 dd	2.01 q	2.05 d	ca. 1.99 m	1.65 m (1.61-1.70)	1.50 m	1.43 m	2.25	0.94 s
	$J_{11A-B} = 12$ $J_{11A-3} = 3$ $J_{11B-3} = 7$	$J_{3-11A} = 3$ $J_{3-11B} = 7$ $J_{4-5\beta} = 4$	$J_{4-3} \approx 0$ $J_{4-5\beta} = 4$			(1.46-1.54)	(1.39-1.46)		0.92 s 0.78 s
10-HCl ^{d,e} (3-exo-, 2-exo-; R' = OH, R = H)	A 3.77 t B 2.84 t	2.05 m ^c	1.47 d	1.76 tt	1.50 td	(1.20 m to 1.04 m)	(1.20 m to 1.04 m)	2.83 t	1.53 s
	$J_{11A-B} = 12$ $J_{11A-3} = 12$ $J_{11B-3} = 1$ $J_{11B-3} = 1$	$J_{3-11A} = 12$ $J_{3-11B} = 1$ $J_{3-2} = 6.4$	$J_{4-5\beta} = 4.3$	$J_{5\beta-4} = 4.3$ $J_{5\beta-5\alpha} = 7.8$ $J_{5\beta-6\alpha} = 2.8$ $J_{5\beta-6\beta} = 7.2$	$J_{5\alpha-5\beta} = 7.8$ $J_{5\alpha-6\alpha} = 12.5$ $J_{5\alpha-6\beta} = 3.7$	not coupled to proton C-2 H			$J_{NH} = 5$
11-HCl ^{f,g} (3-exo-; R = OH, R' = benzy)	A 2.96 m ^c B 2.73 dq	2.04 dd	2.14 d ^h	1.94 tt	1.79 m ^c	1.53 qd	1.28 m ^c	2.51 d	1.17 s
	$J_{AB} = 18$ $J_{A-3} = 10$ $J_{B-3} = 3$	$J_{3-11A} = 10$ $J_{3-11B} = 3$	$J_{4-5\beta} = 4.4$ not coupled to C-3 H						$J_{NH} = 5$

^a Chemical shift values downfield from TMS. See Experimental Section for instrumental details, solvents, abbreviations, etc. Coupling constants were determined by complete proton decoupling. Each signal integrated for the indicated number of protons within experimental error. ^b Signals from OH peaks were determined by deuterium exchange. ^c This multiplet was relatively sharp, with seven peaks apparently an overlapping doublet of quartets. ^d The C-2 proton, 4.18 ppm, was coupled to the C-3 proton ($J = 6.4$ Hz); it was not coupled to the C-6 β -proton. ^e The OH proton, 4.04 ppm, was coupled to the C-2 proton ($J = 6.4$ Hz). ^f The two benzylic protons, at 3.09 and 2.88 ppm, were coupled ($J_{AB} = 13.6$ Hz); the five aromatic protons were at 7.0-7.3 ppm. The stereochemistry at C-2 in 11 is not revealed by these spectra. ^g No coupling of the C-3 and C-4 protons is evident.

Table II. ^{13}C NMR Data: Chemical Shifts (δ (CDCl_3)) for Compounds 1, 2, and 3

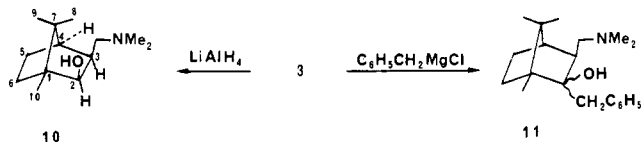
carbon atom	2 (<i>endo</i>)	3 (<i>exo</i>)	1 ^a	1 ^b
C(2)	222.6	222.9	218.6	218.4
C(11)	59.8	59.7		
C(1)	56.3	58.4	57.4	57.4
C(4)	49.9	50.1	43.6	43.2
C(3)	46.6	48.6	43.2	43.1
C(7)	46.4	47.7	46.8	46.6
N(CH ₃) ₂	{ 44.2	{ 43.8		
	{ 43.8	{ 43.5		
C(5)	{ 31.3	{ 29.2	27.3	27.0
	{ 20.6	{ 28.4	30.2	29.9
C(6)	19.4	21.1	19.9	19.7
C(8)	18.9	19.8	19.3	19.1
C(10)	9.3	9.3	9.5	9.2

^a Proton noise decoupled ^{13}C spectra taken with a Varian FT400 instrument (100.58 MHz); CDCl_3 solvent; chemical shift δ relative to dioxane at 67.3 ppm. ^b Morris, D. G.; Murray, A. M. *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 2* 1976, 1579-1584.

Holy et al.^{5c} studied the formation of Mannich products from the enolate anion of ketones using potassium hydride followed by treatment with Eschenmoser's reagent (8b). From the published data, it is not possible to determine which isomer was formed from camphor. We have repeated this preparation and found in one experiment a 1:4 ratio of *exo*:*endo* isomers in an isolated yield of 60%. This is essentially the equilibrium mixture. The pure *endo* isomer was obtained by several recrystallizations from pentane.

Isomers 2 and 3 have been equilibrated via the enolate anion ($\text{CD}_3\text{OD} + \text{NaOD}$) to give an *exo*:*endo* ratio of about 4:1. Clearly the *endo* isomer is the thermodynamically more stable, as would be predicted based on steric considerations.¹⁵ Therefore, the reaction to produce the *exo* isomer 3 in excess from the trimethylsilyl enol ether 7 with either 8a or 8b in acetonitrile at 20 °C is kinetically controlled.

The LiAlH_4 reduction product 10 of 3 has an H-2/H-3 coupling of 6.9 Hz. This is consistent with the *cis*-2-*endo*/3-*endo* proton arrangement but incompatible with a *cis*-2-*exo*/3-*exo* or *trans*-2/3 proton arrangement.¹³ In addition, neither H-2 nor H-3 in the reduction product 10 shows a long-range coupling.^{13b,14} These NMR data, taken together with the known preferential *endo* face attack of LiAlH_4 (camphor gives isoborneol), support the assigned *exo* configuration of the (dimethylamino)methyl group in 3 as well as in 10.



Reaction of benzylmagnesium chloride with the *exo* isomer 3 gives adduct 11, in which the stereochemistry at C-2 is not defined. Mechanistic considerations can be advanced for either configuration at C-2. Proton NMR does not give any evidence because of the lack of a hydrogen on C-2. However, it is clear, because of the lack of H(3)/H(4) coupling in 11, that the (dimethylamino)methyl group at C-3 has retained its *exo* configuration.

Both 10 and 11 were used in an exploratory search for an improved chiral ligand for asymmetric reductions by chiral lithium aluminum alcoholates ($\text{LiAlH}_x(\text{OR}^*)_{4-x}$) in

Table III. Asymmetric Reductions of Acetophenone by Amino Carbinols^a 10 and 11
$$\text{LiAl}(\text{OR}^*)_x\text{H}_y + \text{PhC}(\text{O})\text{CH}_3 \xrightarrow{\text{H}_3\text{O}^+} \text{PhCHOHCH}_3^*$$

reagent	molar ratio ^b reagent: LiAlH_4	product % ee (config)	yield, ^c %
10	1:1	6 (S)	77
	2:1	13 (R)	77
	3:1	35 (R)	72
11	1:1	3 (R)	97
	2:1	27 (R)	95
	3:1	29 (R)	82

^a Data from ref 1. ^b The amount of acetophenone was 0.8 mol % of the LiAlH_4 taken. ^c These are isolated yields by preparative gas chromatography; % ee determined by optical rotation (cf. Experimental Section).

analogy with our previous studies.^{1,16} These ligands were two of a number of such chiral carbinol amines studied in the asymmetric reduction of acetophenone. They were not very effective as shown in Table III, and additional analogues were not prepared.

Experimental Section

Materials and Methods. The synthetic procedures and methods for the asymmetric reductions are described in the thesis of N.L.M.¹ All ^1H NMR measurements have been retaken on a Varian FT 400-MHz instrument with complete decoupling in CDCl_3 solvent. Hydroxyl protons were identified by deuterium exchange. Chemical shifts (δ) are given in ppm relative to SiMe_4 (TMS). Signal multiplicities are designated as follows: s = singlet, d = doublet, t = triplet, q = quartet, m = multiplet, br = broad. Coupling constants (J) are in hertz (Hz). Melting points were determined between cover glasses on a microscope hot stage. Optical rotations (to 0.001°) were taken on a Rudolph Autopol III electronic instrument in 10-cm cells with permanent end plates, thermostated at 20.0 ± 0.1 °C. Reactions were routinely followed by using silica gel GF thin-layer chromatography (TLC) plates (250 μm , Analtech). Products were visualized by UV and/or by dipping into a 7% solution of phosphomolybdic acid in ethanol followed by heating to 150 °C. All moisture-sensitive reactions were done in oven-dried (200 °C) equipment under a dry N_2 atmosphere with transfer or introduction of solutions via syringe or cannula through a serum stopper. Freshly distilled solvents were stored over 3A molecular sieves activated at 300 °C.

(+)-3-*exo*-((Dimethylamino)methyl)-*d*-camphor [(1*R*,3*S*,4*R*)-(+)-3-((Dimethylamino)methyl)camphor] (3). *d*-Camphor trimethylsilyl enol ether (7, 8.9 g, 40 mmol), prepared from *endo*-(+)-3-bromo-*d*-camphor,¹⁵ dissolved in 50 mL of anhydrous ether was added to a solution of dimethylmethylenammonium chloride⁸ (8a, 4.35 g, 40 mmol) in anhydrous acetonitrile (50 mL) at 20 °C. After 12 h the mixture was treated with dilute HCl (15 mL, 7%). The aqueous layer was separated and made basic, and the amine was extracted with ether (3 \times 50 mL). Gaseous HCl was bubbled into the dried (MgSO_4) ether layer to give hydrochloride (3-HCl, 7.86 g, 80%). After recrystallization from acetone: platelets, 6.5 g, mp 219-220 °C. A subsequent sample with the same melting point had the following properties: $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20.0} +67.2^\circ$ (*c* 2.6, CH_3OH); CD $[\theta]_{292} +5960$ (CH_3OH). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{24}\text{NOCl} \cdot \text{H}_2\text{O}$: C, 59.19; H, 9.93; N, 5.31; Cl, 13.14. Found: C, 59.66; H, 9.70; N, 5.30; Cl, 13.75. The hydrochloride was converted to the free base (3% NH_4OH): colorless oil; $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20.0} +50 \pm 1^\circ$ (*c* 1.5, CH_3OH). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}$: C, 73.88; H, 11.92; N, 6.63. Found: C, 73.69; H, 11.90; N, 6.51. The ^1H NMR data for the hydrochloride (3-HCl) and free base (3) are given in Table I, and the ^{13}C NMR for 3-HCl are listed in Table II.

d-Camphor trimethylsilyl enol ether (7) was treated with dimethylmethylenammonium iodide (Eschenmoser's salt⁹) in acetonitrile. The resulting light yellow solid (86% yield of crude

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hydroiodide of *exo* isomer **3**, mp 208–212 °C) was shown by NMR to contain less than 3% of the *endo* isomer. Recrystallization (EtOAc) gave platelets: mp 216–220 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{20.0} +53 \pm 0.5^\circ$ (*c* 1.9, CH₃OH). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₄NOI: C, 46.30; H, 7.17; N, 4.15. Found: C, 46.26; H, 7.05; N, 4.24.

(+)-**3-endo-((Dimethylamino)methyl)-*d*-camphor** [(**1R,3R,4R**)-(+)-**3-((Dimethylamino)methyl)camphor**] (**2**). *d*-Camphor was treated with potassium hydride in THF followed by Eschenmoser's salt⁹ by the method of Poulter and co-workers^{5d} as described by Holy et al.^{5c} The crude product (60% yield) was an 80:20 mixture of *endo*:*exo* isomers (free bases). Crystals were obtained from this oil at –15 °C in pentane; recrystallization gave the purified *endo* base (mp 34–36 °C, $[\alpha]_D^{20.0} +77.4 \pm 1^\circ$ (*c* 0.5, CH₃OH)), which retained about 3% of the *exo* isomer as shown by the NMR spectrum (1.95–2.10 ppm, area for H₃ + H₄ + H_{5 β} *exo* isomer, versus 2.58–2.68 ppm, area for H₃ *endo* isomer). This was converted to the hydrochloride: mp 211–212 °C dec; $[\alpha]_D^{20.0} +31 \pm 1^\circ$ (*c* 0.5, CH₃OH).

We have repeated the procedure used by Hine et al.³ for synthesis of **2**. 3-(Hydroxymethylene)-*d*-camphor¹¹ (**9**) was treated with aqueous dimethylamine to give 3-((dimethylamino)methylene)-*d*-camphor (bp 118–120 °C (3.5 Torr)) as a waxy solid (mp 50–52 °C) in 90% yield. This crude product in methanol was hydrogenated at 1–2 atm using 10% Pd–C catalyst in the presence of a slight excess of HCl added in small amounts as the reduction progressed. The product was a solid (mp 200–206 °C dec), which by NMR was an 80:20 mixture of *endo*:*exo* isomers. Several crystallizations from EtOH–EtOAc gave the purified *endo* hydrochloride isomer, (mp 211–212 °C dec). This hydrochloride was converted to the crystalline free base identical with that described above. The NMR spectra of the *endo* hydrochloride and *endo* free base **2** are given in Table I. The crude sample from this reaction corresponded in NMR and melting point to that of a corresponding sample supplied by Professor Hine.¹²

(**1R,2R,3S,4R**)-**3-((Dimethylamino)methyl)isoborneol Hydrochloride (10·HCl)**. *exo*-3-((Dimethylamino)methyl)-*d*-camphor (**3**, 2.6 g, 12 mmol) in anhydrous ether (25 mL) was added slowly to an ether solution of LiAlH₄ (12 mL of 1.0 M + 75 mL of ether) at 20 °C. After 12 h, saturated NH₄Cl solution (2 mL) was added and the mixture filtered. The combined ether layer and extracts of the salts were extracted with 10% HCl. The acid extracts were made basic and extracted with ether; these extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and treated with dry HCl gas to give the HCl salt (10·HCl, 2.14 g, 72% yield), which was recrystallized from acetone: mp 259–61 °C dec; $[\alpha]_D^{27} +57.9^\circ$ (*c* 0.88, MeOH). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₆NOCl: C, 63.01; H, 10.57; N, 5.65. Found: C, 62.74; H, 10.47; N, 5.49.

This salt was converted to the free base with dilute ammonia to give a clear oil. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₆NO: C, 73.88; H, 11.92; N, 6.63. Found: C, 73.69; H, 11.90; N, 6.51.

(**1R,2R,3S,4R**)-**2-Benzyl-3-((dimethylamino)methyl)isoborneol (11)**. To an ether solution (25 mL) of Grignard reagent prepared from benzyl chloride (1.05 g, 8.3 mmol) was added *exo*-3-((dimethylamino)methyl)-*d*-camphor (**3**, 1.45 g, 6.9 mmol) in ether (75 mL). After 24 h at 20 °C the mixture was hydrolyzed (saturated NH₄Cl) and worked up, and the crude product (containing some unreacted **3**) was crystallized (EtOAc) to give 2-benzyl-3-((dimethylamino)methyl)isoborneol (**11**) hydrochloride: 0.80 g, 47% yield; mp 205–206 °C; $[\alpha]_D^{29} -7.55^\circ$ (*c* 0.53, CH₃OH); NMR, Table I. This was converted to the free base to give a clear oil: 0.59 g, 88% yield. Anal. Calcd for C₂₀H₃₁NO: C, 79.68; H, 10.36; N, 4.64. Found: C, 79.76; H, 10.52; N, 4.57.

Equilibration of *endo*- and *exo*-3-((Dimethylamino)methyl)-*d*-camphor. A purified sample of *exo* isomer **3** (free base) was dissolved in a 2% sodium methoxide solution in methanol at 20 °C. Aliquots were removed at intervals, the 3-((dimethylamino)methyl)-*d*-camphor was recovered as the free base, and the ratio of *endo*:*exo* isomers was determined by comparison of the integration of signals at 1.95–2.10 ppm, representing H₃ + H₄ + H_{5 β} of the *exo* isomer, versus those at 2.14–2.20 ppm, representing H₄, or 2.58–2.68 ppm for H₃ of the *endo* isomer. Within 48 h the *exo* isomer was converted to a constant mixture of approximately 80:20 *endo*:*exo*. Starting with the pure *endo* isomer, the same 80:20 *exo* ratio was attained in 24 h.

Asymmetric Reductions with Lithium Aluminum Alkoxy Hydride Derived Reagent¹ from **10 and **11** (Table III)**. The

asymmetric reductions were performed in an oven-dried 4-dram vial equipped with a serum stopper and a magnetic stirring bar. A dry argon atmosphere was maintained through a syringe needle inlet and outlet through a Drierite drying tube. A standard LiAlH₄ solution (about 0.2 mL, 0.2 mmol, of 1.0 M solution) was introduced via syringe. To this solution at 0 °C was introduced via syringe an ether solution of **10** or **11** as the free base. Approximately 1 mL containing a known molar equivalent of the carbinol amine **10** or **11** was introduced over a 30-s interval. In these cases a clear solution resulted. After 6.5 min an ether solution of acetophenone (0.8 molar equivalent to the LiAlH₄ at 0 °C) was injected, and the reaction mixture was stirred at 0 °C for 3 h. The reaction was hydrolyzed (2 mL, 1 N HCl) and extracted (ether). The ether extracts were dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated to give a colorless oil, which was weighed and then analyzed and preparatively purified by gas–liquid chromatography (GLC). The optical rotation of the GLC-purified methylphenylcarbinol was taken by using $[\alpha]_D^{20.0} 43.7^\circ$ (*c* 1, CH₃OH) as the value for enantiomerically pure methylphenylcarbinol. The reliability of this determination was verified by use of the α -methoxy- α -(trifluoromethyl)phenylacetyl chloride (MTPA-Cl) reagent.¹⁷ The results are summarized in Table III.

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Synthesis of Cyclopenta[*cd*]pyrene and Its Benzannulated Derivative Naphtho[1,2,3-*mno*]acephenanthrylene

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Characterization of cyclopenta[*cd*]pyrene as an important component of kerosene and gasoline soots^{1–3} and its identification as a potent mutagen⁴ and cell-transforming agent^{5,6} have evoked considerable interest in peripherally fused cyclopenta-polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons (cyclopenta-PAH) as potential environmental carcinogens. Cyclopenta[*cd*]pyrene is distinguished from most other

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