described for 11a was employed with 50 mg (0.17 mmol) of alcohol 4e, 90 mg (0.34 mmol) of Ph_3P , 32 mg (0.34 mmol) of chloroacetic acid, and 54 μ L (0.34 mmol) of DEAD affording 54 mg (86%) of is grateful to the second sec

4e, 90 mg (0.34 mmol) of Ph₃P, 32 mg (0.34 mmol) of chloroacetic acid, and 54 μ L (0.34 mmol) of DEAD affording 54 mg (86%) of ester 11e: ¹H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.32–7.18 (m, aryl H's), 6.23 (d, J = 6.2 Hz, H1), 5.75–5.51 (m, H3 and H4), 3.97 (d, J= 2.2 Hz, CH₂Cl), 3.55 (dd, J = 14.6, 8.3 Hz, H2), 1.65 (d, J = 7.2 Hz, H5), 0.73 (s, SiC(CH₃)₃), -0.06 (d, J = 29.0 Hz, Si(CH₃)₂); HRMS (EI⁺) calcd for C₁₅H₂₀³⁵ClO₃Si (M – t-Bu) 311.0870, found 311.0874.

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Free-Radical Ring Expansion of Fused Cyclobutanones: Stereospecific Construction of 5,7-, 6,7-, 7,7-, 8,7-, and 5,8-Cis-Fused Bicyclic Systems¹

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A new method of appending seven- and eight-membered rings to cycloalkenes is described. Treatment of selected alkene precursors with an ω -bromoalkyl ketene or a keteniminium salt leads to haloalkyl cyclobutanone formation. Tri-*n*-butyltin hydride promoted ring expansion then yields the annulated product. Since the initial cyclobutanone is cis fused, the final product is also produced stereospecifically with a cis ring fusion.

Introduction

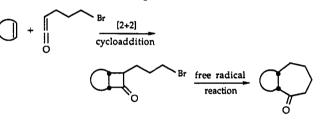
Development of methods for the synthesis of carbocyclic molecules containing fused seven- and eight-membered rings^{2,3} is currently an area of active investigation. Such carbon skeletons form the basic structures of many biologically active natural products.⁴ During a study of the

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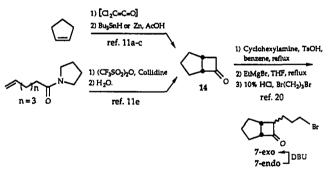
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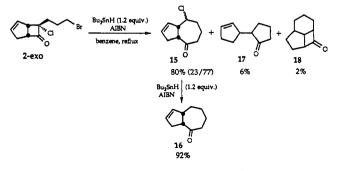
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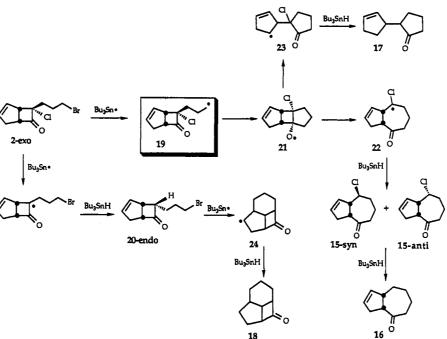
Scheme II. Preparation and Subsequent Alkylation of 17







free-radical reactions of cyclobutanones,⁵ we discovered a free-radical-based⁶ ring expansion^{7,8} reaction which



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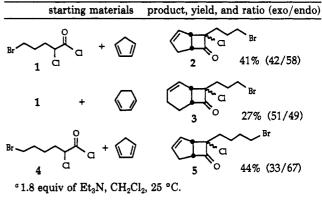
generates fused seven- and eight-membered rings in stereospecific fashion.

The procedure is straightforward. First, an ω -bromoalkyl ketene is generated in the presence of an alkene to form a haloalkyl cyclobutanone. Free-radical reaction of the cyclobutanone then yields the ring-expanded annulation product (Scheme I). The reaction sequence leading to the ring fusion is stereospecific; the cis stereochemistry is enforced by the requirements of the cyclobutanone ring and, once established, is then translated to the ring-expansion product.

Results and Discussion

Preparation of Haloalkyl Cyclobutanones. Cyclobutanones can be prepared by [2 + 2] intermolecular cycloaddition of stabilized ketenes to active alkenes. The ketene cycloaddition^{9,10} has been suggested to be a con-

Table I. Ketene-Cyclic Diene Cycloaddition^a



certed reaction, yielding as the major adduct that with the larger group in the endo position. In our experiments, mixtures of endo and exo side chain adducts were obtained (Table I).

Cycloaddition of keteniminium salts^{9a,b} with alkenes¹¹ provides an alternative method for preparing cyclobutanones. Keteniminium salts are more electrophilic than ketenes, and they react with unactivated alkenes. Examples in Table II show that cycloadditions of keteniminium salts usually give higher ratios of exo to endo diastereomers than those of ketenes.

Either cycloaddition of dichloroketene to cyclopentene, followed by tin hydride reduction or intramolecular cycloaddition of the keteniminium salt can be used to prepare the fused cyclobutanone 14 (Scheme II). Formation

⁽⁴⁾ Examples include: 5,7-fused ring compounds 9-epi-dictyol B,^{2a} daucene,^{2b} aphanamol I,^{2b} dolatriol,^{2b} bulnesol,^{2c} guaiol,^{2c} reiswigin A,^{2d} tanzanene²⁸ 5,8-fused ring compounds precapnelladiene²¹ epoxy-dictynene,²⁸ ophiobolin C,^{2h-i} dectylol,^{2c} poitediol;^{2c} 6,7-fused ring com-pounds α -himachalene,^{2c} perforenone,^{2c} widdrol;^{2c} and 6,8-fused ring compound taxol.2j-i

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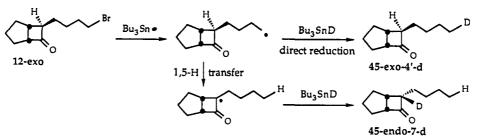
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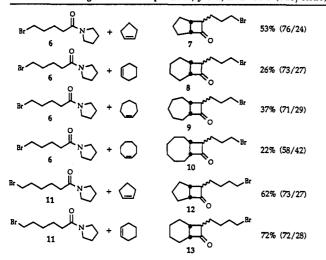
Scheme V. 1,5-H Transfer of 12-exo



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 Table II.
 Keteniminium Salt-Cyclic Alkene Cycloaddition^a

 starting materials
 product, yield, and ratio (exo/endo)



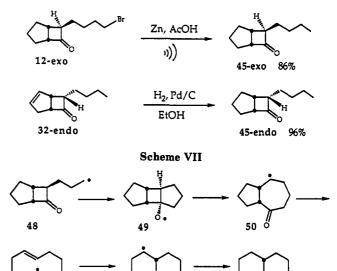
^a 1.5 equiv of (CF₃SO₂)₂O, 1.1 equiv of collidine, CH₂ClCH₂Cl, 25 °C; hydrolyzed with CCl₄/H₂O, reflux. Reactions not optimized.

of the imine and subsequent alkylation afforded 7 (49%) as a 60:40 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. The 7-exo isomer can be recovered from the 7-endo isomer by treatment of 7-endo with a 5 M ether solution of DBU to form a 2:1 mixture of 7-exo and 7-endo.

Free-Radical Reaction of Fused Cyclobutanones. The exo cycloadducts undergo smooth free-radical ring expansion. In a typical example (Scheme III) the exo adduct 2-exo was treated by slow addition with 1.2 equiv of tri-n-butyltin hydride and a catalytic amount of AIBN in refluxing benzene. Ring annulation leading to the chlorine-bearing ring-expansion product 15 (80%) was the major reaction course. Minor amounts of the alternative ring opening product 17 and the product 18 of cyclization to the carbon-carbon double bonds were also formed. None of the direct reduction product was observed. The chloro ketone 15 was then treated with 1.2 equiv of tri-nbutyltin hydride to give reduction product 16 (92%).

In designing this sequence, we anticipated that the initial primary radical in 19 would attack the four-membered ketone¹² to give the alkoxyl radical¹³ 21 (Scheme IV). The

Scheme VI. Synthesis of Authentic Samples of 45-exo and 45-endo



latter can then open in either of two ways (to 22 or 23) to yield the ring-expanded annulation product 15 accompanied by the minor product 17 of ring attachment. In order to form the tricyclic ketone 18, prior reduction of the cyclobutyl chloride must occur with inversion at carbon, as the hydrogen atom from tin hydride is delivered from the least hindered face.

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Table III summarizes the results of other examples and demonstrates that in every instance ring expansion is the major pathway in the sequence. A substantial driving force is provided by the relief of strain in the four-membered rings.

Annulation to cycloheptene (Table III, entry 6) and to cyclooctene (entry 7) offer attractive extensions of the method.

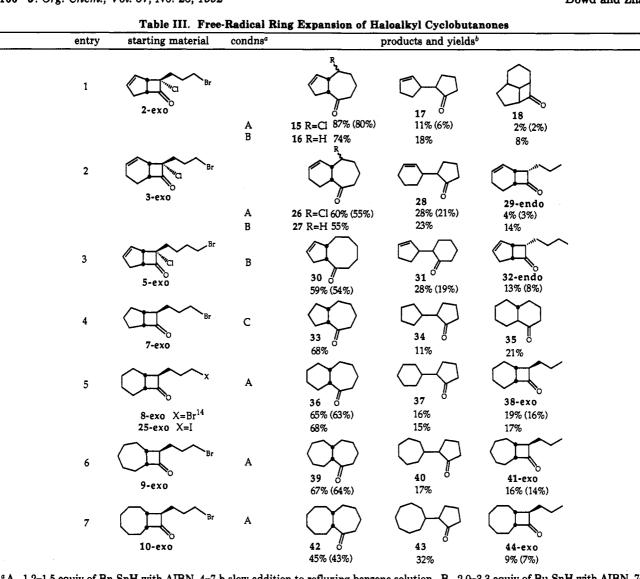
Entry 3 shows that four-carbon annulation of eightmembered rings is also possible following this strategy. The chloro substituent is required in this sequence to forestall internal hydrogen abstraction. Thus, free-radical reaction of 12-exo (Table IV) suffered from a 1,5-hydrogen transfer reaction that precluded ring expansion. With relatively high concentrations of tri-*n*-butyltin hydride (19 mM), the ratio of 1,5-hydrogen transfer product, 45-endo, to direct reduction product, 45-exo, is 64:36. Slow addition will favor the former, and under these conditions tri-*n*butyltin deuteride leads to a 91:9 ratio of 45-endo-7-d to 45-exo-4'-d (Scheme V). Authentic samples of 45-exo and 45-endo were prepared as shown in Scheme VI.

The outcome of ring annulation can be quite sensitive to the reaction conditions. Thus, if bromide 9-exo (Table V) is irradiated at 350-nm with tributyltin hydride (7.5M), reduction to 47 (57%) is the major reaction path (Table V, entry 1). By contrast, if the bromide 9-exo is heated

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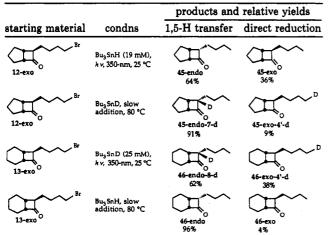
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^aA. 1.2-1.5 equiv of Bn₃SnH with AIBN, 4-7 h slow addition to refluxing benzene solution. B. 2.0-3.3 equiv of Bu₃SnH with AIBN, 7-10 h slow addition to refluxing benzene solution. C. 1.5 equiv of Bu₃SnH (7.5 mM), AIBN, benzene, reflux. ⁵Yields refer to normalization on

Table IV. Free-Radic	al Reaction	of 12-exo	and 13-exo ^a
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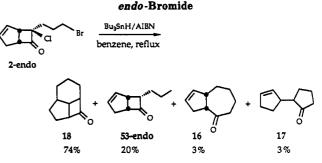
GC. Figures in parentheses are isolated yields after flash chromatography.



^aFree-radical initiator: AIBN. Solvent: benzene.

with the same concentration of tributyltin hydride (7.5 mM), ring annulation yielding 33 is the main reaction course (68%) (entry 3). If the reaction is carried out under conditions of slow addition of tributyltin hydride, trans- α -decalone 35 becomes the major product (65%) (entry 5). We suggest that the reaction leading to trans- α -decalone

Scheme VIII. Free-Radical Reaction of Unsaturated



35 proceeds through the radical intermediates shown in Scheme VII. Thus, the initial primary radical 48 adds to the cyclobutanone carbonyl group yielding the reactive alkoxyl radical 49. Ring opening leads to the fused bicyclo[5.3.0]decanone radical 50 which can then revert to the cyclodecenone acyl-substituted radical¹⁵ 51. Ring closure

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Table V. Free-Radical Reaction of 9-exo ^a									
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	Entry	Bu ₃ SnH (1.5 equiv.)	Temp./°C	Time/h	35 Ö	33 Ö	34 ^O	47	
	1	7.5 mM <i>, hv</i> , 350-nm	25	0.5	n.d.	31%	12%	57%	
	2	9.8 mM,∆	80	6	5%	61%	8%	26%	
	3	7.5 mM, ∆	80	9	21%	68%	11%	n.d.	
	4	5.0 mM, ∆	80	9	29%	66%	5%	n.d.	
	5	slow addition Δ	80	9	65%	23%	12%	n.d.	

^a Free-radical initiator: AIBN. Solvent: benzene. Relative yields on GC. n.d. indicates none detected.

in the alternative sense to 52 is then followed by hydrogen atom chain transfer yielding trans- α -decalone 35.¹⁶

Unlike the exo-bromides, which undergo smooth ring expansion, the saturated endo-bromides are prone to undergo direct reduction as a consequence of steric hindrance to ring closure.¹⁷ Unsaturated endo-bromides undergo cyclization to double bonds to form tricyclic products (Scheme VIII). Tricyclic product 18, generated as a major product from 2-endo, is the same as that generated as a byproduct from 2-exo (Scheme III).

Conclusion

We have discovered a new stereospecific means of appending five and six carbons to cyclic alkenes, leading to bicyclic products carrying useful levels of functionality. In principle, wherever a compound has a carbon-carbon double bond, a haloalkyl cyclobutanone can be generated by [2 + 2] cycloaddition. Free-radical reaction of the cyclobutanone then leads to the formation of the cis-fused ring-expansion product. The intensively studied [2+2]cycloadditions⁹⁻¹¹ provide a broad field in which to develop this new synthetic method.

Experimental Section

Materials and Methods. All reactions were performed under a nitrogen atmosphere. THF, benzene, and diethyl ether were distilled from Na/benzophenone. CH2Cl2, CH2ClCH2Cl, and Et3N were distilled from CaH2. Pyrrolidine, cyclohexylamine, and collidine were distilled from Na and stored over molecular sieves. $(CF_3SO_2)_2O$ was freshly distilled prior to use. Cyclopentadiene was obtained from the distillation of dicyclopentadiene and stored in an ultracold refrigerator at -70 °C.

¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were obtained on FT-Bruker WH-300, AF-300, and AM-500 Aspect-300 spectrometers (300 MHz for ¹H NMR, 75 MHz for ¹³C NMR). J values are given in Hz. Infrared (IR) spectra were obtained on an IBM IR/32 FTIR spectrometer. Gas chromatography and low-resolution mass spectra (GC-MS) were obtained using a Hewlett-Packard 5890 series II gas chromatograph equipped with a Hewlett-Packard 5970 series mass spectrometer. The GC column was a 12-m × 0.2-mm i.d. × 0.33-µm film thickness fused silica capillary column coated with 100% dimethyl polysiloxane (HP-1, Hewlett-Packard). Injection was made into the injection port at 250 °C while the column was maintained at 120 °C. After 2 min the column oven was heated

to its final temperature of 250 °C with a heating rate of about 15 °C/min. The detector was set at 280 °C. Oxygen-free helium was used as a carrier gas (inlet pressure 7 psi and flow rate 55 mL/min). The ratios of isomers and the relative yields were determined on the GC. High-resolution mass spectra were obtained on a Varian MAT CH-5DF spectrometer.

 α -Chloro acid chlorides 1 and 4 were prepared in 94% and 98% yields by the method of Harpp et al.¹⁸ from the acid chlorides. Amides 6 and 11 were prepared in 97% and 99% yields by a standard amidation procedure¹⁹ from the acid chlorides. Bicyclo[3.2.0]heptan-6-one 14 was prepared in 91% yield by intramolecular [2 + 2] cycloaddition.¹¹⁶

General Procedure for Intermolecular Cycloaddition of Ketenes to Cyclic Dienes.^{11d} 7-Chloro-7-(3'-bromopropyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-2-en-6-one (2). A solution of α -chloro acid chloride 1 (3.47 g, 16 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) was added to a solution of Et_3N (4.0 mL, 29 mmol) and cyclopentadiene (5.0 g, 76 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (15 mL) at 25 °C over 1 h. The reaction mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 3 h after the addition was complete. After the solvent was removed, the residual oil was extracted with ether $(3 \times 15 \text{ mL})$. The combined ether layers were washed with H₂O and saturated NH₄Cl solution and dried over MgSO₄. Evaporation of the solvent gave 2 as a 42:58 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (elution with 20:1 hexanes-ether) to give exo-bromide 2-exo (0.70 g, 17%) and endo-bromide 2-endo (1.01 g, 25%).

Data for exo-bromide 2-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) & 2.05-2.25 (4 H), 2.53 (m, 1 H), 2.77 (m, 1 H), 3.46 (m, 2 H), 3.64 (m, 1 H), 3.96 (td, J = 8.3 and 0.9, 1 H), 5.76 (m, 1 H), 5.93 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR $(CDCl_3) \delta 27.6 (t, J = 131), 32.9 (t, J = 127), 35.1 (t, J = 133),$ 36.0 (t, J = 131), 51.9 (d, J = 150), 57.3 (d, J = 145), 82.0 (s), 129.3(d, J = 169), 134.6 (d, J = 159), 206.4 (s); IR (neat) 1786 (vs, C=0) cm^{-1} ; MS m/e (rel intensity) 262 (1, M⁺), 229 and 227 (5, M⁺ -Cl), 201 and 199 (14), 155 (9), 119 (25), 91 (100), 66 (91, M⁺ - C_5H_6BrClO ; HRMS calcd for $C_{10}H_{12}^{79}Br^{35}ClO 261.9760$, found 261.9760.

Data for endo-bromide 2-endo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.90-2.10 (3 H), 2.27 (m, 1 H), 2.49 (m, 1 H), 2.73 (m, 1 H), 3.35-3.55 (m, 2 H), 3.68 (m, 1 H), 4.28 (td, J = 8.5 and 1.3, 1 H), 5.79 (m, 1 H), 6.03 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 27.2 (t, J = 131), 30.1 (t, J = 127), 33.1 (t, J = 151), 33.9 (t, J = 133), 54.4 (d, J = 153), 59.2 (d, J = 144), 82.6 (s), 127.8 (d, J = 167), 136.8 (d, J = 155), 206.0(s); IR (neat) 1790 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 262 (<1, M⁺), 229 and 227 (2, M⁺ – Cl), 201 and 199 (13), 155 (8), 119 (17), 91 (100), 66 (94, M⁺ – C_5H_6BrClO); HRMS calcd for C_{10} -H₁₂⁷⁹Br³⁵ClO 261.9760, found 261.9760.

8-Chloro-8-(3'-bromopropyl)bicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-en-7-one (3). Following the general procedure above, treatment of α -chloro acid

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chloride 1 (11.7 g, 50 mmol) with 1,3-cyclohexadiene (19 mL, 200 mmol) and Et_3N (12.5 mL, 90 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 at 25 °C afforded 3 as a 51:49 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (30:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave *exo*-bromide **3-exo** (1.8 g, 13%) and *endo*-bromide **3-endo** (1.9 g, 14%).

Data for *exo*-bromide **3-exo**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.59 (m, 1 H), 1.95–2.25 (m, 7 H), 3.01 (m, 1 H), 3.46 (m, 2 H), 3.75 (m, 1 H), 5.78 (m, 1 H), 6.03 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.7 (t, J = 131), 20.6 (t, J = 133), 27.7 (t, J = 132), 33.0 (t, J = 148), 36.3 (d, J = 174), 36.8 (t, J = 130), 52.2 (d, J = 127), 79.6 (s), 124.1 (d, J = 164), 130.1 (d, J = 160), 206.0 (s); IR (neat) 1784 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS *m/e* (rel intensity) 276 (2, M⁺), 243 and 241 (4, M⁺ – Cl), 169 (1), 105 (19), 80 (31, M⁺ – C₅H₆BrClO), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₄⁷⁹Br³⁵ClO 275.9917, found 275.9919.

Data for *endo*-bromide **3-endo**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.55 (m, 1 H), 1.90–2.35 (m, 7 H), 3.15 (m, 1 H), 3.42 (m, 2 H), 4.16 (m, 1 H), 5.91 (m, 1 H), 6.07 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 18.7 (t, J = 130), 21.3 (t, J = 128), 27.7 (t, J = 132), 31.0 (t, J = 127), 33.3 (t, J = 151), 40.3 (t, J = 149), 54.4 (d, J = 137), 80.8 (s), 123.6 (d, J = 161), 132.5 (d, J = 171), 205.3 (s); IR (neat) 1784 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 278 and 276 (4, M⁺), 169 (3), 105 (21), 80 (51, M⁺-C₅H₆BrClO), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₁-H₁₄⁷⁹Br³⁵ClO 275.9917, found 275.9857.

7-Chloro-7-(4'-bromobutyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-2-en-6-one (5). Following the general procedure above, treatment of α -chloro acid chloride 2 (3.56 g, 14.4 mmol) with cyclopentadiene (5.6 g, 85 mmol) and Et₃N (4.2 mL, 30 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ at 25 °C afforded 5 as a 33:67 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (30:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave exo-bromide 5-exo (0.538 g, 14%) and endo-bromide 5-endo (1.21 g, 30%).

Data for *exo*-bromide **5-exo**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.70 (m, 2 H), 1.91 (m, 2 H), 2.04 (t, J = 8.4, 2 H), 2.51 (m, 1 H), 2.76 (m, 1 H), 3.41 (t, J = 6.6, 2 H), 3.63 (m, 1 H), 3.90 (t, J = 8.2, 1 H), 5.77 (m, 1 H), 5.93 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 23.3 (t, J = 120), 32.2 (t, J = 126), 33.1 (t, J = 157), 35.4 (t, J = 132), 36.9 (t, J =126), 51.9 (d, J = 146), 57.5 (d, J = 144), 82.7 (s), 129.6 (d, J =169), 134.7 (d, J = 165), 207.2 (s); IR (neat) 1788 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 276 (<1, M⁺), 243 and 241 (3, M⁺ - Cl), 215 and 213 (7), 197 (1, M⁺ - Br), 135 (17), 91 (97), 66 (100, M⁺ - C₆H₈BrClO); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₄⁷⁹Br³⁵ClO 275.9917, found 275.9917.

Data for endo-bromide **5-endo**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.50–2.00 (m, 6 H), 2.48 (m, 1 H), 2.71 (m, 1 H), 3.41 (t, J = 6.6, 2 H), 3.69 (m, 1 H), 4.27 (td, J = 8.5 and 1.2, 1 H), 5.78 (m, 1 H), 6.01 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 22.5, 30.4, 32.4, 33.3, 34.1, 54.5, 59.2, 83.4, 128.2, 136.9, 206.8; IR (neat) 1788 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 276 (<1, M⁺), 243 and 241 (2, M⁺ - Cl), 215 and 213 (11), 197 (2, M⁺ - Br), 135 (15), 91 (91), 66 (100, M⁺ - C₆H₈BrClO); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₄⁷⁹Br³⁵ClO 275.9917, found 275.9882.

General Procedure for Intermolecular Cycloaddition of Keteniminium Salts to Cyclic Alkenes. 7-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]heptan-6-one (7). Following the method established by Ghosez,^{11f} a solution of amide 6 (0.468 g, 2.0 mmol) in CH₂ClCH₂Cl (20 mL) was added over 20 min to a solution of triflic anhydride (0.42 mL, 3.0 mmol) and cyclopentene (1.48 mL, 20 mmol) in CH₂ClCH₂Cl (20 mL) at 25 °C. A solution of collidine (0.26 mL, 2.2 mmol) in CH₂ClCH₂Cl (20 mL) was then added over 20 min to the reaction mixture. After the addition was completed, the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 6 h. The solvent was removed under vacuum, and the residue was hydrolyzed in a two-phase system of $H_2O(20 \text{ mL})$ and $CCl_4(20 \text{ mL})$ at reflux for 6 h. The reaction mixture was decanted, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CCl₄ (3×10 mL). The organic layers were washed with H_2O and brine and dried over $MgSO_4$. Evaporation of the solvent gave 7 as a 76:24 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. The crude product was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel (elution with 40:1 hexanes-ether) to give exo-bromide 7-exo (182 mg, 39%) and endo-bromide 7-endo (63 mg, 14%).

Data for exo-bromide 7-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.55–2.05 (m, 10 H), 2.54 (m, 1 H), 2.58 (m, 1 H), 3.40 (m, 2 H), 3.49 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 25.1 (t, J = 133), 28.1 (t, J = 125), 29.3 (t, J = 136), 30.2 (t, J = 128), 32.7 (t, J = 129), 33.2 (t, J = 151), 36.3 (d, J = 151), 61.7 (d, J = 142), 62.8 (d, J = 132), 216.3 (s); IR (neat) 1770 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 232 and 230 (1, M⁺), 164 and 162 (31), 151 (3, M⁺ – Br), 95 (14), 83 (64), 67 (54), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for $C_{10}H_{15}^{79}BrO$ 230.0306, found 230.0306.

Data for endo-bromide 7-endo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.35–2.10 (m, 10 H), 2.97 (q, J = 7.9, 1 H), 3.26 (m, 1 H), 3.41 (m, 2 H), 3.58 (m, 1 H); IR (neat) 1770 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 232 and 230 (2, M⁺), 164 and 162 (33), 151 (2, M⁺ – Br), 95 (18), 83 (70), 67 (58), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₀H₁₅⁷⁹BrO 230.0306, found 230.0306.

8-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[4.2.0]octan-7-one (8). Following the general procedure above, treatment of amide 6 (2.34 g, 10 mmol) and cyclohexene (10.2 mL, 100 mmol) with triflic anhydride (2.1 mL, 15 mmol) and collidine (1.26 mL, 11 mmol) in CH₂Cl-CH₂Cl at reflux afforded 8, after hydrolysis, as a 73:27 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (40:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave *exo*-bromide 8-exo (290 mg, 12%) and a mixture of *exo*- and *endo*-bromides 8 (348 mg, 14%).

Data for *exo*-bromide 8-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.25–2.08 (m, 12 H), 2.14 (m, 1 H), 2.98 (m, 1 H), 3.20 (m, 1 H), 3.40 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 21.4 (t, J = 129, 2 C), 22.1 (t, J = 126), 26.5 (t, J = 128), 28.3 (t, J = 128), 28.9 (d, J = 140), 30.5 (t, J = 128), 33.2 (t, J = 151), 53.2 (d, J = 136), 61.8 (d, J = 133), 212.1 (s); IR (neat) 1769 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 246 and 244 (2, M⁺), 165 (16, M⁺ – Br), 164 and 162 (64), 95 (16), 83 (76), 67 (76), 50 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₇⁷⁹BrO 244.0463, found 244.0463.

9-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[5.2.0]nonan-8-one (9). Following the general procedure above, treatment of amide 6 (0.583 g, 2.5 mmol) and cycloheptene (2.4 mL, 20 mmol) with triflic anhydride (0.6 mL, 3.8 mmol) and collidine (0.37 mL, 2.8 mmol) in CH₂-ClCH₂Cl at reflux afforded 9, after hydrolysis, as a 71:29 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (35:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave *exo*-bromide 9-exo (103 mg, 16%) and a mixture of *exo*- and *endo*-bromides 9 (138 mg, 21%).

Data for exo-bromide **9-exo:** ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.10–2.10 (m, 14 H), 2.28 (m, 1 H), 2.77 (m, 1 H), 3.33 (m, 1 H), 3.41 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 25.8 (t, J = 128), 28.3 (t, J = 123), 28.9, 29.2 (t, J = 130), 30.4 (t, J = 127), 31.9, 32.9 (t, J = 144), 33.2 (t, J = 150), 36.9 (d, J = 136), 61.2 (d, J = 132), 62.3 (d, J = 131), 214.8 (s); IR (neat) 1771 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 260 and 258 (2, M⁺), 217 and 215 (1), 179 (1, M⁺ – Br), 164 and 162 (49), 95 (20), 81 (61), 67 (68), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₂-H₁₉⁷⁸BrO 258.0619, found 258.0619.

10-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[6.2.0]decan-9-one (10). Following the general procedure above, treatment of amide 6 (2.40 g, 10 mmol) and cyclooctene (10 mL, 80 mmol) with triflic anhydride (2.6 mL, 15 mmol) and collidine (1.5 mL, 11 mmol) in CH_2ClCH_2Cl at reflux afforded 10, after hydrolysis, as a 58:42 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (30:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave *exo*-bromide 10-exo (212 mg, 8%) and a mixture of *exo*- and *endo*-bromides 10 (395 mg, 14%).

Data for *exo*-bromide 10-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.10–2.10 (m, 16 H), 2.72 (qd, J = 7.3 and 2.7, 1 H), 3.06 (m, 1 H), 3.40 (m, 2 H), 3.54 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 23.3 (t, J = 128), 25.3, 26.0, 28.2, 28.7, 29.6, 29.8, 30.5, 33.4, 36.5 (d, J = 131), 60.6 (d, J = 136), 63.7 (d, J = 128), 215.8 (s); IR (neat) 1767 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 274 and 272 (<1, M⁺), 164 and 162 (27), 98 (56), 81 (45), 67 (54), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₃-H₂₁⁻⁷⁸BrO 272.0776, found 272.0776.

7-(4'-Bromobutyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]heptan-6-one (12). Following the general procedure above, treatment of amide 11 (1.04 g, 4.2 mmol) and cyclopentene (3.7 mL, 42 mmol) with triflic anhydride (1.05 mL, 6.3 mmol) and collidine (0.63 mL, 4.6 mmol) in CH₂-ClCH₂Cl at 25 °C afforded 15, after hydrolysis, as a 73:27 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (30:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave a mixture of exo- and endo-bromides 12 (641 mg, 62%). For spectroscopic purposes a small amount of 12-exo was isolated, contaminated with 9% of 12-endo.

Data for *exo*-bromide 12-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.45–1.90 (m, 11 H), 2.02 (m, 1 H), 2.49 (m, 1 H), 2.59 (m, 1 H), 3.40 (t, J = 6.8, 2 H), 3.46 (m, 1 H); IR (neat) 1771 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS

m/e (rel intensity) 246 and 244 (3, M⁺), 176 and 174 (27), 165 (6, M⁺ - Br), 97 (86), 81 (29), 67 (69), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for $C_{11}H_{17}^{79}BrO$ 244.0463, found 244.0482.

8-(4'-Bromobutyl)bicyclo[4.2.0]octan-6-one (13). Following the general procedure above, treatment of amide 11 (0.50 g, 2.0 mmol) and cyclohexene (3.2 mL, 31 mmol) with triflic anhydride (0.50 mL, 3.0 mmol) and collidine (0.30 mL, 2.2 mmol) in CH₂-ClCH₂Cl at reflux afforded 13, after hydrolysis, as a 72:28 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (30:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave a mixture of *exo*- and *endo*-bromides 13 (374 mg, 72%). For spectroscopic purposes a small amount of 13-exo was isolated, contaminated with 11% of 13-endo.

Data for exo-bromide 13-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.30–2.00 (m, 14 H), 2.13 (m, 1 H), 2.97 (m, 1 H), 3.18 (m, 1 H), 3.40 (t, J = 6.7, 2 H); IR (neat) 1771 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS *m/e* (rel intensity) 179 (20, M⁺ - Br), 134 (6), 97 (86), 79 (30), 67 (80), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₆H₉⁷⁹BrO (M⁺ - C₆H₁₀) 175.9837, found 175.9839.

Alkylation of 14 was conducted by the procedure of Stork and Dowd.²⁰ A solution of ketone 14 (300 mg, 2.7 mmol), cyclohexylamine (0.62 mL, 5.4 mmol), and a catalytic amount of p-toluenesulfonic acid (2.5 mg) in benzene (5 mL) was refluxed for 2 h with a zeotropic removal of $\mathrm{H}_2\mathrm{O}.$ The cold reaction mixture was diluted with benzene (5 mL) and quickly washed with H_2O (5 mL). The benzene layer was dried and concentrated to give the imine (510 mg, purity >98%, yield: 99%). A portion of the resulting imine (100 mg, 0.5 mmol) in THF (1.5 mL) was added over 20 min to a refluxing solution of 2.8 M EtMgBr (0.22 mL, 0.6 mmol) in THF. The reaction mixture was refluxed 2 h further after the addition was complete and then cooled to 0 °C. 1,3-Dibromopropane (0.20 mL, 2.0 mmol) was added rapidly to the cold reaction mixture. After the mixture was stirred at 25 °C for 2 h, 10% HCl (0.5 mL) was added and the reaction mixture was refluxed for 10 h. Ether workup afforded crude 7 as a 60:40 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. Flash chromatography (35:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave exo-bromide 7-exo (35.0 mg, 30%) and endo-bromide 10 (21.4 mg, 19%).

General Free-Radical Reaction Procedure. Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,5RS,7SR)-7-Chloro-7-(3'-bromopropyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-2-en-6-one (2-exo). Procedure A: Slow Addition of 1.2 equiv of Bu₃SnH. A solution of Bu₃SnH (135 μ L, 0.5 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 10 mg) in benzene (5 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of exo-bromide 2-exo (132 mg, 0.50 mmol) in benzene (30 mL) over 4 h using a syringe pump. The reaction was followed by GC while another 28 μ L (0.1 mmol) of Bu₃SnH with AIBN (1 mg) in benzene (1.5 mL) was added to the reaction mixture. The reaction was stopped when the GC showed no more starting material. An 87:11:2 mixture of chlorine-bearing ring-expansion product 15, ring-attachment product 17, and cyclization product 18 was obtained. The ratio of 15-syn to 15-anti was 23:77. The GC retention times of 15-syn and 15-anti were 2.82 and 3.16 min, respectively. The tin products were removed by standard KF workup,^{8c} and flash chromatography of the crude product on silica gel (elution with 50:1 hexanes-ether) gave 15-syn (15 mg, 16%) as a colorless oil, 15-anti (59 mg, 64%) as a white solid, 17 (4.5 mg, 6%) as a pair of diastereomers, and 18 (1.5 mg, 2%).

Data for 15-syn: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.76–1.98 (3 H), 2.33–2.69 (4 H), 2.82–3.07 (m, 2 H), 3.14 (q, J = 9.2, 1 H), 3.89 (m, 1 H), 5.81 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 21.6, 33.1, 40.5, 42.9, 53.9, 56.6, 66.0, 130.8, 131.0, 210.7; IR (neat) 1705 (vs, C=O); MS m/e (rel intensity) 184 (28, M⁺), 149 (37, M⁺ – Cl), 131 (29), 121 (32), 107 (100), 91 (53), 79 (53), 66 (67), 55 (58); HRMS calcd for C₁₀H₁₃³⁵ClO 184.0659, found 184.0645.

Data for 15-anti:²² mp 100–101.5 °C; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.19 (m, 1 H), 2.00 (m, 2 H), 2.25 (m, 1 H), 2.42 (dd, J = 17.0 and 9.3, 1 H), 2.57 (t, J = 5.0, 2 H), 2.80–2.94 (m, 1 H), 3.27 (q, J = 9.2,1 H), 3.48 (br d, J = 9.5, 1 H), 4.33 (d, J = 6.3, 1 H), 5.58 (m, 1 H), 5.94 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 20.9 (t, J = 131), 34.2 (t, J = 131), 36.7 (t, J = 122), 43.0 (t, J = 129), 51.9 (d, J = 137), 54.1 (d, J = 124), 64.8 (d, J = 147), 129.9 (d, J = 171), 132.5 (d, J = 158), 210.5 (s); IR (neat) 1705 (vs, C=O); MS m/e (rel intensity) 184 (48, M⁺), 149 (50, M⁺ – Cl), 131 (35), 121 (43), 107 (76), 91 (65), 79 (61), 66 (100), 55 (63); HRMS calcd for $C_{10}H_{13}^{35}$ ClO 184.0659, found 184.0657.

Data for 18: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.25–1.70 (m, 8 H), 1.97 (m, 1 H), 2.12 (m, 1 H), 2.47 (m, 1 H), 2.78 (q, J = 8.9, 1 H), 3.23 (m, 1 H), 3.56 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 16.3 (t, J = 130), 21.8 (t, J = 125), 25.1 (t, J = 124), 28.8 (t, J = 130), 29.2 (t, J = 132), 32.0 (d, J = 149), 35.1 (d, J = 128), 55.2 (d, J = 129), 64.8 (d, J= 142), 217.7 (s); IR (neat) 1773 (vs, C=O); MS m/e (rel intensity) 150 (22, M⁺), 132 (11), 122 (10), 104 (12), 93 (46), 79 (100), 67 (40); HRMS calcd for C₁₀H₁₄O 150.1045, found 150.1045.

Ring-expansion product 16 was prepared by the reduction of the chlorine-bearing ring-expansion product 15 with Bu_3SnH . A solution of 15-anti (18.4 mg, 0.1 mmol), Bu₃SnH (35 µL, 0.13 mmol), and AIBN (ca. 2 mg) in benzene (5 mL) was heated to reflux for 5 h. Tin products were removed by DBU workup,²¹ and flash chromatography (40:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave ring-expansion product 16 (13.8 mg, 92%): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.08 (m, 1 H), 1.52 (m, 2 H), 1.68 (m, 1 H), 1.70–1.95 (m, 2 H), 2.30 (m, 1 H), 2.40–2.60 (m, 2 H), 2.89 (m, 1 H), 3.07 (m, 1 H), 3.44 (m, 1 H), 5.46 (m, 1 H), 5.63 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR $(CDCl_3) \delta 25.6 (t, J = 125), 28.4 (t, J = 128), 31.5 (t, J = 132),$ 32.0 (t, J = 128), 43.1 (t, J = 129), 46.8 (d, J = 131), 54.0 (d, J= 126), 128.7 (d, J = 164), 133.3 (d, J = 168), 213.0 (s); IR 1705 (vs, C==0) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 150 (87, M⁺), 135 (15), 121 (32), 107 (100), 91 (50), 79 (88), 66 (57); HRMS calcd for C₁₀H₁₄O 150.1045, found 150.1045.

Procedure B: Slow Addition of 3.3 equiv of Bu_3SnH . A solution of Bu_3SnH (810 μ L, 2.97 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 20 mg) in benzene (15 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 2-exo (238 mg, 0.90 mmol) in benzene (70 mL) over 10 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to gave ring-expansion product 16, ring-attachment product 17, and cyclization product 18 as a 74:18:8 mixture.

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,6RS,8SR)-8-Chloro-8-(3'-bromopropyl)bicyclo[4.2.0]oct-2-en-7-one (3-exo). Procedure A: Slow Addition of 1.3 equiv of Bu₃SnH. A solution of Bu₃SnH (421 μ L, 1.6 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 15 mg) in benzene (25 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of exo-bromide 3-exo (440 mg, 1.6 mmol) in benzene (80 mL) over 4 h using a syringe pump. The reaction was followed by GC while another $134 \ \mu L \ (0.5 \ mmol)$ of Bu₃SnH with AIBN (6 mg) in benzene (10 mL) was added to reaction mixture. The reaction was stopped when the GC showed no more starting material. A 60:28:4 mixture of chlorine-bearing ring-expansion product 26, ring-attachment product 28, and direct reduction product 29-endo was obtained. The ratio of 26-syn to 26-anti was 51:49. The GC retention times of 26-syn and 26-anti were 4.05 and 4.08 min, respectively. After KF workup, flash chromatography of the crude product on silica gel (elution with 50:1 hexanes-ether) gave 26-syn (89 mg, 28%) as a colorless oil, 26-anti (86 mg, 27%) as a low-melting white solid, 28 (55 mg, 21%) as a pair of diastereomers not isolated in a pure state, and 29-endo (7.8 mg, 3%).

Data for 26-syn: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.68 (m, 1 H), 1.80–2.24 (7 H), 2.45–2.66 (m, 2 H), 2.94 (m, 1 H), 3.40 (m, 1 H), 4.43 (m, 1 H), 5.72 (m, 1 H), 5.84 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 19.2 (t, J = 128), 23.3 (t, J = 125), 25.3 (t, J = 131), 34.5 (t, J = 127), 42.1 (d, J = 131), 43.1 (t, J = 133), 47.6 (d, J = 130), 64.7 (d, J = 150), 127.7 (d, J = 158), 128.7 (d, J = 159), 214.6 (s); IR (neat) 1705 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 198 (16, M⁺), 163 (14, M⁺ - Cl), 144 (22), 133 (31), 107 (36), 91 (56), 79 (100), 55 (47); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₅³⁵ClO 198.6925, found 198.6925. Data for 26-anti: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.58 (m, 1 H), 1.84–2.23

Data for 26-anti: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.58 (m, 1 H), 1.84–2.23 (7 H), 2.46–2.66 (m, 2 H), 2.69 (m, 1 H), 3.13 (m, 1 H), 4.18 (m, 1 H), 5.58 (m, 1 H), 5.93 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 22.4 (t, J = 127), 22.8 (t, J = 123), 25.6 (t, J = 132), 36.7 (t, J = 131), 42.2 (d, J = 126), 43.5 (t, J = 128), 49.3 (d, J = 126), 64.6 (d, J = 150), 126.2 (d, J = 159), 129.8 (d, J = 158), 214.0 (s); IR (neat) 1704 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 198 (42, M⁺), 163 (17, M⁺ - Cl), 144 (23), 133 (30), 107 (47), 91 (83), 79 (100), 55

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(50); HRMS calcd for $C_{11}H_{15}^{35}$ ClO 198.6925, found 198.6925. Data for 28 (pair of diastereomers): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.18–2.48 (11 H), 2.50–2.82 (2 H), 3.60 (m, 1 H), 5.58–5.85 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 20.7, 20.9, 21.8, 22.0, 24.8, 25.0, 25.4, 25.6, 27.9, 28.1, 35.3, 35.3, 39.1, 39.2, 53.4, 53.6, 128.2, 129.3, 130.2, 130.5, 220.8, 221.3; IR (neat) 1736 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 164 (51, M⁺), 149 (9), 136 (15), 121 (23), 108 (23), 93 (32), 80 (100), 67 (23), 53 (21); HRMS calcd for $C_{11}H_{16}O$ 164.1201, found 164.1201.

Data for **29-endo**: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 7.0, 3 H), 1.20–1.70 (5 H), 1.90–2.05 (3 H), 3.01 (br s, 1 H), 3.32 (m, 1 H), 3.53 (m, 1 H), 5.77 (m, 1 H), 5.93 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.0, 18.6, 21.3, 21.5, 27.0, 27.6, 54.9, 61.3, 125.6, 130.4, 214.2; IR (neat) 1769 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 164 (3, M⁺), 136 (2), 107 (2), 91 (4), 80 (4, M⁺ – C₅H₈O), 67 (8); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O 164.1201, found 164.1201.

Ring-expansion product 27 was prepared by the reduction of chlorine-bearing ring-expansion product **26** with Bu₃SnH. A solution of **26-anti** (30 mg, 0.15 mmol), Bu₃SnH (49 μ L, 0.18 mmol), and AIBN (ca. 3 mg) in benzene (7 mL) was heated to reflux for 6 h. DBU workup gave ring-expansion product **27** (23.4 mg, 95%) as a single product: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.10–1.67 (6 H), 1.74–2.18 (4 H), 2.38 (m, 1 H), 2.56 (m, 1 H), 2.60–2.73 (m, 2 H), 5.55–5.73 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 19.7 (t, J = 128), 24.8 (t, J = 127), 26.9 (t, J = 127), 30.1 (t, J = 123), 32.3 (t, J =125), 36.1 (d, J = 127), 42.2 (t, J = 136), 50.7 (d, J = 123), 126.6 (d, J = 157), 131.4 (d, J = 158), 215.0 (s); IR (neat) 1701 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 164 (27, M⁺), 146 (11), 135 (20), 117 (27), 104 (34), 91 (39), 79 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O 164.1201, found 164.1201. The spectral properties of **27** compared favorably with those reported by Smith and Houk.²³

Procedure B: Slow Addition of 3.3 equiv of Bu_3SnH . A solution of Bu_3SnH (516 μ L, 1.90 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 10 mg) in benzene (20 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 3-exo (178 mg, 0.64 mmol) in benzene (70 mL) over 8 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to give ring-expansion product 27, ring-attachment product 28, and direct-reduction product 29-endo as a 55:23:14 mixture.

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,5RS,7SR)-7-Chloro-7-(4'-bromobutyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-2-en-6-one (5-exo). A solution of Bu₃SnH (249 µL, 0.78 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 10 mg) in benzene (13 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 5-exo (100 mg, 0.36 mmol) in benzene (22 mL) over 7 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to give ringexpansion product 30, ring-attachment product 31, and direct reduction product 32-endo as a 59:28:13 mixture. After DBU workup, flash chromatography (45:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave 30 (31.9 mg, 54%) and 31 (11.2 mg, 19%) as a pair of diastereomers, and 32-endo (5.0 mg, 8%).

Data for 30: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.10–1.85 (6 H), 1.90 (m, 2 H), 2.30 (m, 2 H), 2.56 (m, 1 H), 2.76–2.90 (1 H), 3.15 (m, 1 H), 3.47 (m, 1 H), 5.40 (m, 1 H), 5.18 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 24.3, 27.5, 28.7, 30.3, 34.5, 45.4, 51.1, 128.5, 134.6, 216.8; IR (neat) 1700 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 164 (51, M⁺), 135 (7), 121 (41), 101 (100), 79 (99), 66 (69, M⁺ – C₆H₁₀O); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O 164.1201, found 164.1201.

Data for 31 (pair of diastereomers): ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.30–2.45 (m, 12 H), 1.88 (m, 1 H), 3.18 (br, 1 H), 5.67 (m, 1 H), 5.78 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 24.8, 24.9, 26.9, 27.0, 28.1, 28.3, 28.6, 30.7, 31.1, 32.1, 32.2, 42.4, 44.4, 44.7, 55.7, 56.2, 131.3, 132.0, 132.1, 133.6, 213.4; IR (neat) 1707 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS *m/e* (rel intensity) 164 (16, M⁺), 135 (32), 107 (39), 98 (100), 79 (34), 67 (84, M⁺ - C₆H₉O); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₆O 164.1201, found 164.1172.

Data for 32-endo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, J = 7.0, 3 H), 1.20–1.60 (m, 6 H), 2.36 (m, 1 H), 2.61 (m, 1 H), 3.42 (m, 1 H), 3.58 (m, 1 H), 3.77 (m, 1 H), 5.73 (m, 1 H), 5.87 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.0 (q, J = 124), 22.6 (t, J = 120), 24.6 (t, J = 127), 29.8 (t, J = 124), 34.0 (t, J = 132), 42.2 (d, J = 148), 59.2 (d, J = 142), 65.2 (d, J = 129), 129.8 (d, J = 164), 134.8 (d, J = 153), 216.1 (s); IR (neat), 1773 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 164 (0, M⁺), 136 (10), 93 (3), 79 (21), 66 (100, M⁺ – C_gH₁₀O); HRMS calcd for C_gH₁₂O (M⁺ – C₂H₄) 164.1201, found 164.1201.

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,5RS,7SR)-7-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]heptan-6-one (7-exo). Procedure A: Single Addition of Bu₃SnH. A solution of *exo*-bromide 7-exo (6.5 mg, 0.028 mmol), Bu₃SnH (12 μ L, 0.038 mmol, 7.5 mM), and AIBN (ca. 1 mg) in benzene (5 mL) was heated to reflux for 9 h to give ring-expansion product 33, ring-attachment product 34, and *trans*- α -decalone 35 in the ratio of 68:11:21. The experiment was repeated using different concentrations of Bu₃SnH and irradiation using 350-nm UV lamps instead of heating. The results are presented in Table V.

Procedure B: Slow Addition of Bu_3SnH . A solution of Bu_3SnH (250 μ L, 0.79 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 10 mg) in benzene (10.5 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*bromide 7-exo (120 mg, 0.52 mmol) in benzene (40 mL) over 6.7 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to give ringexpansion product 33, ring-attachment product 34, and *trans-* α -decalone 35 as a 23:12:65 mixture. After DBU workup, flash chromatography (50:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave 33 (6.8 mg, 9%), a mixture of 33 and 34 (5.1 mg), and 35 (46.0 mg, 58%).

¹H NMR, IR, and MS of **33** agree with those of literature values:²⁴ HRMS calcd for $C_{10}H_{12}O$ 152.1201, found 152.1201.

¹H NMR, ¹³C NMR, IR, and \dot{MS} of 35 are identical with those of an authentic sample of $trans-\alpha$ -decalone (Aldrich).

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR, 6RS, 8SR)-8-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[4.2.0]octan-7-one (8-exo). A solution of Bu₃SnH (410 μ L, 1.3 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 20 mg) in benzene (10 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 8-exo (244 mg, 1.0 mmol) in benzene (80 mL) over 6.7 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to give ring-expansion product 36, ring-attachment product 37, and direct-reduction product 38-exo in the ratio 65:16:19. After DBU workup, flash chromatography (50:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave 36 (25.5 mg, 15%), a 74:26 mixture of 36 and 37 (105.6 mg, 47% for 36, 16% for 37), and 38-exo (26.5 mg, 16%). The experiment was repeated using iodide 25-exo instead of bromide 8-exo to give ring-expansion product 36, ring-attachment product 37, and direct-reduction product 38-exo in the ratio of 68:15:17.

Data for 36: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.15–1.90 (13 H), 1.96 (m, 1 H), 2.25–2.42 (m, 3 H), 2.72 (td, J = 12.7 and 3.2, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 21.5 (t, J = 127), 24.0 (t, J = 127), 25.6 (t, J = 127), 26.0 (t, J = 131), 29.1 (t, J = 124), 31.4 (t, J = 130), 34.1 (t, J = 124), 35.7 (d, J = 128), 42.3 (t, J = 123), 51.3 (d, J = 123), 216.3 (s); IR (neat) 1694 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 166 (12, M⁺), 151 (9), 137 (11), 124 (24), 111 (61), 109 (55), 98 (91), 81 (76), 67 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O 166.1358, found 166.1358.

Data for 38-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 7.2, 3 H), 1.25–1.70 (11 H), 1.92 (m, 1 H), 2.12 (m, 1 H), 2.97 (qd, J = 7.1and 2.4, 1 H), 3.08 (qd, J = 8.8 and 2.3, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.0, 20.8, 21.8 (2 C), 22.4, 27.1, 29.2, 32.2, 53.4, 63.1, 214.0; IR (neat) 1771 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 166 (6, M⁺), 138 (3), 109 (2), 95 (8), 84 (42), 67 (53), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O 166.1358, found 166.1358.

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,7RS,9SR)-9-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[5.2.0]nonan-8-one (9-exo). A solution of Bu₃SnH (150 μ L, 0.48 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 5 mg) in benzene (20 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 9-exo (95.5 mg, 0.37 mmol) in benzene (40 mL) over 7 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to afford ring-expansion product 39, ring-attachment product 40, and direct reduction product 41-exo in the ratio of 67:17:16. After DBU workup, flash chromatography (35:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave 39 (19.1 mg, 29%), a 76:24 mixture of 39 and 40 (30.6 mg, 35% for 39, 11% for 40), and 41-exo (9.3 mg, 14%).

Data for 39: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.18–1.90 (15 H), 2.04 (m, 1 H), 2.20 (br s, 1 H), 2.36 (m, 1 H), 2.55–2.70 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR

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(CDCl₃) δ 24.6, 26.2, 26.9, 28.5, 28.9, 30.3, 34.5, 34.9, 38.8, 42.4, 56.5, 215.6; IR (neat) 1698 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 180 (15, M⁺), 165 (8), 151 (20), 137 (36), 123 (32), 111 (60), 98 (75), 95 (50), 81 (68), 67 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₂H₂₀O 180.1514, found 180.1514.

Data for 41-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 7.2, 3 H), 1.15–1.90 (13 H), 2.01 (m, 1 H), 2.26 (m, 1 H), 2.77 (m, 1 H), 3.28 (m, 1 H); IR (neat) 1773 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 180 (9, M⁺), 151 (3), 137 (7), 96 (14), 84 (56), 81 (59), 67 (73), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for $C_{12}H_{20}O$ 180.1514, found 180.1514.

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,8RS,10SR)-10-(3'-Bromopropyl)bicyclo[6.2.0]decan-9-one (10-exo). A solution of Bu₃SnH (327 μ L, 1.04 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 10 mg) in benzene (20 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 10-exo (190 mg, 0.69 mmol) in benzene (60 mL) over 7 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to afford ring-expansion product 42, ring-attachment product 43, and direct-reduction product 44-exo in the ratio of 45:32:9. After DBU workup, flash chromatography (30:1 hexanes-ether) of the crude product gave 42 (25.4 mg, 19%), a 45:55 mixture of 42 and 43 (72.4 mg, 24% for 42, 30% for 43), and 44-exo (9.4 mg, 7%).

Data for 42: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.25–1.90 (16 H), 1.90–2.10 (m, 2 H), 2.20 (br, 1 H), 2.43 (m, 1 H), 2.57–2.72 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 24.3, 25.1, 26.4, 27.2 (2 C), 27.5, 27.7, 32.7, 35.1, 38.0, 42.8, 53.3, 216.3; IR (neat) 1698 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS *m/e* (rel intensity) 194 (14, M⁺), 151 (20), 137 (57), 124 (29), 111 (71), 98 (94), 81 (51), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₃H₂₂O 194.1671, found 194.1671.

Data for 44-exo: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.10–1.90 (m, 17 H), 2.00 (m, 2 H), 2.31 (m, 1 H), 2.72 (m, 1 H), 3.02 (m, 1 H); IR (neat) 1773 (vs, C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 194 (8, M⁺), 165 (7), 151 (11), 137 (6), 123 (6), 111 (8), 98 (32), 82 (36), 72 (60), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₃H₂₂O 194.1671, found 194.1671.

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,5RS,7SR)-7-(4'-Bromobutyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]heptan-6-one (12-exo). Procedure A: Single Addition of Bu₃SnH. A solution of 12-exo (5.0 mg, 0.02 mmol), Bu₃SnH (8.0 μ L, 0.03 mmol), and AIBN (ca. 0.5 mg) in benzene (1.1 mL) was irradiated in an NMR tube placed in a photochemical reactor (Rayonet) using RPR 350-nm lamps (Southern New England Ultraviolet Co.) for 25 min to give direct reduction product 45-exo and 1,5-hydrogen transfer product 45-endo as a 36:64 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. The GC retention times of 45-exo and 45-endo were 1.36 and 1.50 min, respectively.

Authentic Sample of 45-exo. A mixture of exo-bromide 12-exo (122 mg, 0.50 mmol) and zinc dust (260 mg, 4.0 mmol) in 4 mL of acetic acid was irradiated in an ultrasonic water bath at 40 °C for 42 h. The reaction mixture was filtered, and the filtrate was washed with H₂O and saturated NaHCO₃ solution. After the organic layer was dried over MgSO₄, the solvent was removed to give direct reduction product 45-exo (75 mg, purity >95%, yield: 86%): ¹H NMR ($CDCl_3$) δ 0.87 (t, J = 7.0, 3 H), 1.20-1.40 (4 H), 1.40-1.85 (7 H), 1.99 (d, J = 6.7, 1 H), 2.50 (m, 1 H), 2.58 (m, 1 H), 3.43 (m, 1 H). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.0 (q, J = 124), 22.6 (t, J = 120), 25.3 (t, J = 128), 29.3 (t, J = 130, 2 C), 29.4 (t, J = 130), 33.0 (t, J = 130), 36.5 (d, J = 143), 61.6 (d, J = 141), 64.1 (d, J = 131), 218.1 (s); IR (neat) 1769 (vs, C=O) cm^{-1} ; MS m/e (rel intensity) 166 (8, M⁺), 138 (2), 124 (8), 109 (4), 99 (34), 80 (39), 67 (71), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for $C_{11}H_{18}O$ 166.1358, found 166.1361.

Authentic Sample of 45-endo. To a solution of 32-endo (50 mg, 0.3 mmol) in absolute ethanol (4 mL) was added 10% Pd/C (15 mg). The mixture was stirred under H₂ balloon for 40 h at 25 °C. The catalyst was removed by filtration and the filtrate was concentrated to give 45-endo (48 mg, purity >95%, yield: 96%) as a clear oil: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.87 (t, J = 6.8, 3 H), 1.20-1.70 (9 H), 1.82 (td, J = 13.9, 7.9, 2 H), 2.01 (m, 1 H), 2.94 (q, J = 9.7, 1 H), 3.24 (m, 1 H), 3.53 (td, J = 7.1 and 2.9, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.0 (q, J = 125), 22.6 (t, J = 122), 23.2 (t, J = 125), 26.8 (t, J = 125), 29.0 (t, J = 131), 30.0 (d, J = 153), 60.8 (d, J = 124), 62.8 (d, J = 141), 218.7 (s); IR (neat) 1773 (vs,

C=O) cm⁻¹; MS m/e (rel intensity) 166 (10, M⁺), 138 (4), 124 (10), 109 (2), 99 (34), 80 (36), 67 (64), 55 (100); HRMS calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O 166.1358, found 166.1358.

Procedure B: Slow Addition of Bu_3SnD . A solution of $Bu_3SnD_{(32 \ \mu L, 0.12 \ mmol)}$ and AIBN (ca. 2 mg) in benzene (2 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 12-exo (20.0 mg, 0.08 mmol) in benzene (2 mL) over 2 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed an additional 1.5 h after the addition was complete to afford direct reduction product 45-exo-4'-d and 1,5-hydrogen transfer product 45-endo-7-d as a 9:91 mixture. The GC retention time of 45-exo-4'-d and 45-endo-7-d were 1.39 and 1.53 min, respectively.

MS of direct reduction product 45-exo-4'-d: m/e (rel intensity) 167 (19, M⁺), 139 (8), 124 (15), 109 (4), 100 (52), 81 (69), 67 (92), 55 (100). MS of 1,5-hydrogen transfer product 45-endo-7-d: m/e(rel intensity) 167 (12, M⁺), 139 (2), 125 (12), 110 (2), 100 (35), 81 (46), 67 (73), 56 (100).

Free Radical Reaction of (1SR,6RS,8SR)-8-(4'-Bromobutyl)bicyclo[4.2.0]octan-6-one (13-exo). Procedure A: Single Addition of Bu₃SnD. A solution of 13-exo (4.3 mg, 0.016 mmol), Bu₃SnD (6.7 μ L, 0.025 (mmol), and AIBN (ca. 0.5 mg) in benzene (1.0 mL) was irradiated in an NMR tube placed in a photochemical reactor using 350-nm lamps for 20 min to give direct reduction product 46-exo-4'-d and 1,5-hydrogen transfer product 46-endo-8-d as a 38:62 mixture. The GC retention times of 46-exo-4'-d and 46-endo-8-d were 2.42 and 2.65 min, respectively.

MS of direct reduction product **46-exo-4'-d**: m/e (rel intensity) 181 (M⁺, 8), 163 (2), 152 (2), 138 (17), 124 (1), 109 (6), 100 (75), 81 (67), 67 (77), 55 (100). MS of 1,5-hydrogen transfer product **46-endo-8-d**: m/e (rel intensity) 181 (M⁺, 6), 163 (3), 153 (3), 139 (19), 124 (3), 110 (9), 100 (100), 81 (81), 67 (75), 56 (88).

Procedure B: Slow Addition of Bu_3SnH . A solution of Bu_3SnH (31 μ L, 0.098 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 2 mg) in benzene (2 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *exo*-bromide 13-exo (20 mg, 0.082 mmol) in benzene (3 mL) over 5.7 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 1.5 h after the addition was complete to afford direct reduction product 46-exo and 1,5-hydrogen transfer product 46-endo as a 4:96 mixture of exo and endo diastereomers. The GC retention times of 46-exo and 46-endo were 2.38 and 2.61 min, respectively.

MS of the exo diastereomer **46-exo**: m/e (rel intensity) 180 (6, M⁺), 162 (2), 152 (1), 138 (4), 123 (3), 109 (7), 99 (70), 80 (50), 67 (75), 55 (100). MS of the endo diastereomer **46-endo**: m/e (rel intensity) 180 (7, M⁺), 162 (4), 152 (5), 138 (14), 123 (3), 109 (7), 99 (64), 80 (50), 67 (75), 55 (100).

Free-Radical Reaction of (1SR,5RS,7RS)-7-Chloro-7-(3'-bromopropyl)bicyclo[3.2.0]hept-2-en-6-one (2-endo). A solution of Bu₃SnH (722 μ L, 2.6 mmol) and AIBN (ca. 10 mg) in benzene (10 mL) was added to a stirring, refluxing solution of *endo*-bromide 2-endo (320 mg, 1.2 mmol) in benzene (50 mL) over 8 h using a syringe pump. The reaction mixture was refluxed for an additional 2 h after the addition was complete to give tricyclic product 18, direct-reduction product 53-endo, ring-expansion product 16, and ring-attachment product 17 as a 74:20:3:3 mixture. After DBU workup, flash chromatography of the crude product on silica gel (elution with 50:1 hexanes-ether) gave 18 (124 mg, 69%) as a clear colorless oil. The ¹H NMR, IR, and GC-MS data of 18 agree with those obtained from the minor product isolated from the reaction of 2-exo.

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