organic phases were dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated under vacuum. The crude compound (0.140 g) was purified by chromatography (CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 13/6/1) and afforded D-

erythro-sphingosine (0.135 g, 75%). 5-(2S,3R)-(-): mp = 76-77 °C (lit. mp 72-75 °C<sup>4b</sup> and 75-80 °C9).  $R_f = 0.45$  (CHCl<sub>3</sub>/MeOH/H<sub>2</sub>O, 65/30/5).  $[\alpha]_D = -7$  (c = 0.8, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). <sup>1</sup>H NMR (200 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD) δ: 0.89 (t, 3H, CH<sub>3</sub>-18); 1.28 (br, 22H); 2.07 (q, 2H,  $^3J = 6$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>-6); 2.76 (td, 1H,  $^{3}J = 6.5 \text{ Hz}, ^{3}J = 4 \text{ Hz}, \text{CH-2}; 3.48 (dd, 1H, ^{3}J = 11 \text{ Hz}, ^{3}J = 6.5$ Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>-1); 3.66 (dd, 1H,  $^{3}J = 11$  Hz,  $^{3}J = 4$  Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>-1); 3.97 (t. 1H,  ${}^{3}J$  = 6.5 Hz, CH-3); 5.48 (dd, 1H,  ${}^{3}J$  = 15 Hz,  ${}^{3}J$  = 6.5 Hz, CH-4); 5.70 (dt, 1H,  ${}^{3}J$  = 15 Hz,  ${}^{3}J$  = 6 Hz, CH-5).  ${}^{13}C$  NMR (50 MHz, CD<sub>3</sub>OD)  $\delta$ : 14.5 (Me-18); 23.8 (CH<sub>2</sub>-17); 30.4-30.9 (CH<sub>2</sub>-7 to 15); 33.2 and 33.5 (CH<sub>2</sub>-6, CH<sub>2</sub>-16); 58.1 (CHN); 64.2 (CH<sub>2</sub>-1); 75.0 (CHO); 130.8 (CH); 135.4 (CH).

The triacetylated sphingosine was prepared as in ref 9. Anal. Calcd for C<sub>24</sub>H<sub>43</sub>NO<sub>3</sub>: C, 67.73; H, 10.18; N, 3.29. Found: C, 67.50; H, 10.08; N, 3.20. Mp = 102-103 °C (lit. mp 104-105 °C<sup>4d</sup> and 101 °C5).  $R_f = 0.18$  (AcOEt/hexane, 60/40). The <sup>1</sup>H and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra are identical to those of the literature (refs 4a.d.

## Additions and Corrections

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Neal O. Brace. Amides as Nucleophiles: Reaction of Alkyl Halides with Amides or with Amides and Water. A New Look at an Old Reaction.

Page 1804. Caution! Toxicity of 1-iodo-2-(F-hexyl)ethane. The author has been informed by responsible persons at Hoechst Aktiengeschellschaft and at E. I. du Pont de Nemours and Co. that toxicity measurements of 1-iodo-2-(F-hexyl)ethane (1) are as follows. Acute Oral Ld<sub>50</sub> (female rats, in mg/kg): 3868. Acute Vapor Inhalation (not for dusts or aerosols) female rats, 4 h, LC 50: >1182 ppm; 4 h, aerosol inhalation: LC50, 537 ppm. These levels of response are considered to show only slight or borderline toxicity. Samples of 1 used in the published paper contained only traces of the lower homologue, 2-(Fethyl)-1-iodoethane, which has high toxicity ( $Ld_{50}$  100-500 ppm/vol; same conditions as for 1); contact with this homologue must be carefully avoided in any case.

Stephen Hanessian.\* Arthur Gomtsvan, Andrew Payne. Yolande Hervé, and Serge Beaudoin. Asymmetric Conjugate Additions of Chiral Allyl- and Crotylphosponamide Anions to  $\alpha,\beta$ -Unsaturated Carbonyl Compounds: Highly Stereocontrolled Access to Vicinally Substituted Carbon Centers and Chemically Asymmetrized Chirons.

Page 5033, column 2, line 7. si face should be re face. Page 5034, Figure 1. The designations si face and re face should be interchanged.

Page 5034, ref 14, should read Chim. Script. 1985, 25, 5.

Jilles J. H. Edema, Jan Buter, Franck S. Schoonbeek, Auke Meetsma, Fre van Bolhuis, and Richard M. Kellogg\*. Cesium Dithiolate Based Syntheses of Keto-Functionalized Thio-Crown Ethers Employing the Novel Building Block 1,3-Dimercaptoacetone. Molecular Structures of 2,5,9,12-Tetrathia-7-oxo-(13)-m-benzenophane and 1,4,7,10,13-Pentathiacyclohexadecan-15-one.

Pages 5625 and 5626. Sulfur atoms should be inserted at position 3 in the structure of 1,5-di-X-pentane in eq 2 and at position 3 in 10, at positions 3 and 6 in 11, at positions 3 and 7 in 12, at positions 4 and 9 in 13, at the two benzylic carbons in 14, and at positions 3, 6, and 9 in 15 (Scheme

Iwao Hachiya and Shu Kobayashi\*. Aqueous Reactions with a Lewis Acid and an Organometallic Reagent. The Scandium Trifluoromethanesulfonate-Catalyzed Allylation Reaction of Carbonyl Compounds with Tetraallyltin.

Page 6959, Table I. References for entry 9 should read  $81^{b,c}$ ,  $89^{b,d}$ , and  $93^{b,e}$ ; entry 10 should read  $89^{b,f}$ ; and entry 11 should read  $88^{b,f}$ .

References c-f should read as follows: c Syn/anti = 72/28.  ${}^{d}Syn/anti = 73/27$ .  ${}^{e}Syn/anti = 74/26$ .  ${}^{f}Diastereomer$ ratio = 50/50.