# **Diastereo- and Enantioselective Synthesis of** *syn***-**r**-Vinylchlorohydrins and** *cis***-Vinylepoxides**

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A new method to generate chiral *syn*-vinylchlorohydrins and *cis*-vinyloxiranes is reported. Reaction of ( $\alpha$ -haloallyl)lithiums with methoxy-9-BBN or Ipc<sub>2</sub>BOMe followed by treatment with BF<sub>3</sub> $\cdot$ OEt<sub>2</sub> leads to  $(Z)$ -(*γ*-haloallyl)boranes which react with aldehydes to yield *cis*-vinylepoxides (de  $\geq 90\%$ ) upon oxidative workup. Alternatively, addition of ethanolamine to the allylboration product yields  $syn-\alpha$ -halohydrins (de  $\geq 90\%$ ) that are also easily cyclized to *cis*-vinylepoxides. Extension of this protocol using  $[(Z)-γ$ -chloroallyl]BIpc<sub>2</sub> leads to chiral *syn*-α-chlorohydrins and *cis*-vinylepoxides in high de (g90%) and ee (90-99%). Enantioselectivity of reactions of chiral (*Z*)-(*γ*-chloroallyl)boranes with aldehydes are more sensitive to reaction conditions than enantioselectivity of reactions of other  $\alpha$ -or *γ*-substituted allylboranes. The effects of proportion of BF<sub>3</sub><sup></sup>OEt<sub>2</sub> and the relative efficacies of  $LiNR<sub>2</sub>$  bases on diastereo- and enantioselectivity of the chloroallylation are reported.

### **Introduction**

Addition of allyl organometallic reagents to carbonyl compounds is an important method for the stereocontrolled formation of carbon-carbon bonds, $<sup>1</sup>$  and allylic</sup> organoboranes are particularly versatile members of this class of reagents (Scheme 1).<sup>2-6</sup>

We have applied the allylboration of aldehydes to the preparation of *syn-*α-halohydrins and *cis-vinylepoxides* (Scheme 2). When boron possesses chiral ligands, the reaction sequence is enantioselective. The present route to *syn*-chlorohydrins<sup>7</sup> is superior to other methods such as asymmetric reduction of  $\alpha$ -halo-substituted ketones<sup>8</sup> and opening of chiral epoxides.7a Under our allylboration conditions,  $syn-\alpha$ -halohydrins are easily converted to vinyloxiranes. $9-13$  The primary advantage of the new methodology is in the ease of preparation of chiral *cis*vinyloxiranes which are obtainable only *via* Sharpless epoxidation of (*Z*)-allylic alcohols. Although Sharpless epoxidation proceeds with high enantioselectivity with (*E*)-allylic alcohols it gives variable enantioselectivity with the  $(Z)$ -isomers.<sup>14</sup>

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# **Scheme 1.** Allylboration Employing  $\alpha$ - and *γ***-Substituted Allylic Boron Compounds**





#### **Results and Discussion**

**Synthesis of (***Z***)-(***γ***-chloroallyl)boranes.** Sterically encumbered trialkylboranes normally react with  $\alpha$ -substituted allyllithiums at the less substituted position to provide the corresponding *γ*-substituted allylboron ate complex.<sup>15</sup> By contrast, ( $\alpha$ -chloroallyl)lithium, generated *in situ* from allyl chloride and LDA, reacts with borate esters to produce ate complexes which yield  $(\alpha$ -chloroallyl)boronate esters by dealkoxylation.<sup>16</sup> The latter react with aldehydes to yield *γ*-chlorohydrins. If the borate reagent contains sterically demanding ligands, reaction with (α-chloroallyl)lithium leads to (α- and (γ-chloroallyl)boronates (Scheme 3).17b Sterically less demanding 9-methoxy-9-BBN reacts with ( $\alpha$ -chloroallyl)lithium to give predominantly the  $(\alpha$ -chloroallyl)boron ate complex.18 Regioselectivity in allylborane formation thus

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appears to be influenced by the steric requirements of the boron substituents.

We reinvestigated the reaction between  $(\alpha$ -chloroallyl)lithium and 9-methoxy-9-BBN. At  $-78$  °C BF<sub>3</sub> $\cdot$ OEt<sub>2</sub>promoted decomposition of the resultant ate complex **3** produces a mixture of chloroallylboranes **4** and **5** which upon reaction with aldehydes and treatment with ethanolamine19 yields *syn*-chlorohydrins **7** and *γ*-chlorohydrins **6** in a ratio of 89-85:11-15 (de 84-88%, Scheme 4; Table 1). The inferior diastereoselectivity is attributed to the formation of minor amounts of (*E*)-(*γ*-chloroallyl) borane **5c** along with major (*Z*)-*γ*-isomer **5a**. Lowering the temperature  $(-95 \degree C)$  for the formation and decomposition of the ate complex improves the regio- and diastereoselectivities (Table 1). Use of a more sterically demanding base, lithium dicyclohexylamide [LiN(c- $Hex)_2$ ], further improves regioselectivity in favor of the *syn*-chlorohydrin **7** and dramatically improves diastereoselectivity (de  $= 98\%$ ) (Table 2, entry 1). Formation of *syn*-chlorohydrins **7** requires (*Z*)-(*γ*-chloroallyl)borane **5a** whereas **6** is derived from the  $(\alpha$ -chloroallyl)borane **4**.

Regio- and stereoselectivities of reactions of the reagent formed from  $(\alpha$ -chloroallyl)lithium, **2a**, and  $BF_3$ ·OEt<sub>2</sub> are relatively insensitive to reaction conditions (Table 2, entries  $1-6$ ). Reaction of ( $\alpha$ -chloroallyl)lithium with **2a** at  $-95$  °C followed by demethoxylation of the complex with  $BF_3$  $\cdot$ OEt<sub>2</sub> at  $-95$   $\degree$ C and reaction with benzaldehyde at temperatures between  $-41$  °C and  $-95$  °C consistently yields *syn*-chlorohydrin **7** with 99:1 diastereoselectivity, suggesting **5a** is configurationally stable over this temperature range.

We anticipated that introduction of a bulky chiral auxiliary would improve regioselectivity and yield chiral *syn*-chlorohydrins (Scheme 5). Use of Brown's chiral auxiliary, (-)-*B*-methoxydiisopinocampheylborane (*d*Ipc<sub>2</sub>-BOMe, **2b**) in the chloroallylboration reaction  $(-78 \text{ °C})$ with LDA as base enhances the regioselectivity (**13**:**12**,

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ratio 98:2), but the diastereoselectivity (*syn vs anti*) is only 91:9 (Table 2, entry 8). When the entire reaction sequence is conducted at  $-95$  °C using LiN(c-Hex)<sub>2</sub>, regioselectivity increases to the point that no *γ*-chlorohydrin is detectable and the de increases to 98% (Table 2, entries  $13-16$ ).

Preparation of (chloroallyl)borane **13a** at  $-95$  °C, followed by warming to room temperature, stirring for 2 h, and recooling to  $-95$  °C for 0.5 h, before reaction at -95 °C with benzaldehyde (Table 2, entry 12), did not lower diastereoselectivity. This experiment provides additional evidence that (*γ*-chloroallyl)boranes are configurationally stable. Similarly, no decrease in diastereoselectivity is observed when **13a** is prepared at  $-95$  $°C$ , warmed to  $-78$   $°C$ , and reacted with PhCHO at the latter temperature (Table 2, entry 15).

The formation of (*Z*)-(*γ*-chloroallyl)boranes may be due to attack of the boron at the *γ*-position of ( $α$ -chloroallyl)lithium or *via* rearrangment of an initially formed  $(\alpha$ chloroallyl)borane. Evidence for the formation of  $(\alpha$  $chloroallyl) boranes from ( $\alpha$ -chloroallyl) lithiums comes$ from the observation that treatment of  $(\alpha$ -chloroallyl)lithium with methoxy-9-BBN results in a ring-expansion that is most feasible *via* an  $(\alpha$ -chloroallyl)boron ate complex.18 It is well known that decomposition of allylboron ate complexes with Lewis acids such as  $BF_3$ . OEt<sub>2</sub> is accompanied by allylic rearrangement.<sup>20</sup> Thus, precedents exist which suggest that (*γ*-chloroallyl)boranes **5** could arise from  $BF_3$ · $OEt_2$ -promoted decomposition of  $\alpha$ -ate complexes 4 with a concomitant [1,3]-boron shift (Scheme 4). Since previous reports suggest that the [1,3] rearrangement of  $\alpha$ -methylallyl-9-BBN to  $(Z)$ - and  $(E)$ isomers of crotyl-9-BBN occurs at low temperatures, $21$  we examined formation of **4** by low temperature 1H NMR. In initial experiments we were unable to determine if both ( $α$ - and ( $γ$ -chloroallyl)boranes were present. The driving force for formation of the (*Z*)-(*γ*-chloroallyl)borane may be due to Lewis base behavior of *γ*-chlorine.

**Haloallylborations with 13.** The (*Z*)-halo-substituted allylboranes **13a**-**d** react rapidly with aldehydes at -95 °C to give halohydrins upon ethanolamine workup,<sup>19</sup> and *cis*-vinyloxiranes after oxidative workup.<sup>22</sup> High diastereo- and enantioselectivities are realized in these experiments (Scheme 5; Table 3). Routine oxidation  $(OH^-/H_2O_2)$  of the carbon-boron bond<sup>22</sup> lowers optical purities of base-sensitive oxiranes compared to their halohydrin precursors and is not recommended (Table 3, entries 3, 4, 7, and 8). Such oxiranes are best obtained by cyclization of corresponding chlorohydrins in a separate step. We successfully employed  $K_2CO_3/MeOH$  or KO-*t*-Bu/THF to generate base-sensitive oxiranes with no diminution of optical purity compared to the chlorohydrin precursors.

The absolute configurations of chlorohydrins, **16**  $[R =$  $(E)$ -PhCH=CH, c-Hex] obtained from **2b** were determined by hydrogenolysis to alcohols, **21**, of known configuration<sup>23</sup> (Scheme 6). The configurations of the hy-

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**Table 1. Reaction of (Chloroallyl)boranes 4 and 5 with Aldehydes at Low Temperatures***<sup>a</sup>*



<sup>a</sup> Unless noted reactions were carried out at  $-78$  °C, using 1.2 equiv of LDA and 2.6 equiv of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub>. <sup>b</sup> Ratios determined by product isolation. *<sup>c</sup>* Obtained by direct oxidative workup or cyclization of **7** and **8**. *<sup>d</sup>* Isolated yields. *<sup>e</sup>* Yields of chlorohydrin cyclization. <sup>*f*</sup> Ratios determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR and capillary GC analyses. Capillary GC analyses of chlorohydrins (*syn vs anti*) gave the same ratio.  $g$  Reactions carried out at  $-95$  °C.

drogenation products **21** ( $R_1$  = PhCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>, c-Hex) were further established by synthesis from  $qIpc_2B(allyl)$ . The absolute configurations of other halohydrins and vinyloxiranes resulting from *γ*-haloallylborations using **2b** and **2c** were assigned by analogy with these two correlations.

The enantiopreferences of *γ*-haloallylborations using **2b** and **2c** are consistent with those for allylboration reagents derived from  $(+)$ - and  $(-)$ - $\alpha$ -pinene, respectively (Table 3).24 The enantiopreference observed for (*γ*haloallyl)boranes derived from <sup>*d*</sup>Ipc<sub>2</sub>BOMe involves *si face* attack, which is in agreement with previous reports, <sup>22a, 24</sup> for related reagents (Scheme 7).

Allylborations proceed *via* initial rapid formation of a carbonyl-boron ate complex and rate-determining formation of a new carbon-carbon bond *via* a cyclic sixmembered chair transition state. Stereocontrol is manifested during the formation of the new carbon-carbon bond (Scheme 7). Transition states $^{25a}$  for this process are expected to be earlier for (*γ*-haloallyl)borane analogs compared to unsubstituted allylboranes or allylboranes

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substituted at the *γ*-position with electron-donating groups since the former are less nucleophilic at the reacting allyl carbon. Thus, although high stereoselection is observed for reactions of (*γ*-haloallyl)boranes it would be expected to be much more sensitive to temperature and solvent than allylborations with more electronrich analogs.

In agreement with these expectations reaction of (*γ*chloroallyl)borane **13a** with benzaldehyde at  $-78$  °C generates *syn*-chlorohydrin of 78% ee. Lowering the temperature to  $-95$  °C improves the ee to 97% (Table 3, entry 3).

To test the influence of solvent(s) on the enantioselectivity, we added  $LiN(c-Hex)_2$  in THF to a mixture of Ipc<sub>2</sub>-BOMe and allyl chloride in diethyl ether at  $-95$  °C. Addition of benzaldehyde followed by workup gives  $\alpha$ -chlorohydrin of 97% ee. When the same reaction is conducted using only THF, the ee is lowered to 75% (Table 3, entry 4). In contrast, allylborations with unsubstituted allyl- and (*Z*)-(*γ*-alkoxyallyl)boranes proceed with high enantioselectivity which is independent of solvent and is maximum at  $-78$  °C in THF.<sup>25b</sup>

Reaction of benzaldehyde with (*Z*)-(*γ*-bromoallyl)boranes **13b, d**, prepared by *in situ* deprotonation of allyl bromide, generated  $\alpha$ -bromohydrins with  $syn$  selectivity of 90:10 when benzaldehyde was added at  $-78$  °C (Table 2, entry 9). The  $(\alpha/\gamma$ -bromoallyl)borane reagent was less regio- and diastereoselective than the analogous (α/*γ*chloroallyl)boranes (Table 2, entries 10 and 11). Lower diastereoselectivity is attributed to steric conjestion and lower Lewis base character of the (*Z*)-*γ*-bromine which increases the proportion of (*E*)-isomer.

**Effect of Stoichiometry of BF<sub>3</sub>'OEt<sub>2</sub>.** Decomposition of allylboron ate complexes usually requires excess BF3'OEt2. <sup>26</sup> Treatment of ate complexes **10, 11** with 1.33 equiv of  $BF_3$ <sup>OEt<sub>2</sub> followed by immediate condensation</sup> with aldehydes generates mixtures of chlorohydrin and

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**Table 2. Haloallylboration of Benzaldehyde under Different Conditions***<sup>a</sup>*



*a* LiN(c-Hex)<sub>2</sub> was used, unless noted. *b* Temp<sub>1</sub>, temperature of ate complex formation. *c* Temp<sub>2</sub>, temperature of ate complex decomposition using BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub>. *d* Temp<sub>3</sub>, temperature of R'CHO addition. *e* Ratios of α *vs γ*-halohydrins by isolation. *Syn vs anti* ratios of α-halohydrins by capillary GC analysis. This was same as the *cis vs trans* ratios of epoxides. *<sup>f</sup>* Obtained by cyclization of chlorohydrins. Ratios by 1H NMR and capillary GC analyses.  $g$  ee's by GC (Cyclodex B, 30 m  $\times$  0.25 mm i.d. column) analyses of *syn*- $\alpha$ -halohydrins and epoxides were identical. *<sup>h</sup>* Cyclohexanecarboxadehyde was used. *<sup>i</sup>* LDA was used. *<sup>j</sup>* After decomposition of ate complex, the reaction was warmed to rt for 2 h, and then recooled to  $-95$  °C for 0.5 h before addition of aldehyde.

vinyloxirane (ratio 90:10). The formation of vinyloxirane may result from the presence of dialkylamine. This procedure is suitable for  $BF_3$ · $OEt_2$ -sensitive substrates and products. Use of 2.6 equiv of  $BF_3$ . OEt<sub>2</sub> results in exclusive chlorohydrin formation (Table 2). Although excess  $BF_3$ <sup>-</sup>OEt<sub>2</sub> increases the proportion of *γ*-chlorohydrins, it prevents formation of vinyloxirane by complexation with dialkylamine.

Reactions of **13** with benzaldehyde are more sensitive to the amount of  $BF_3OEt_2$  (Table 4, entries 3-5) than are reactions with aliphatic aldehydes. For reactions in which LDA is used as the base, lowering the amount of  $BF_3$ <sup>OEt<sub>2</sub> from 2.5 equiv to 1.33 equiv increases the ee</sup> of chlorohydrin from 84% to the maximum obtained in this work, 95%.

**Effect of Structure of LiNR2 Bases on the EE of Chlorohydrins.** LDA,  $LiN(c-Hex)<sub>2</sub>$ ,  $LiTMP$ , and  $LiN-$ (c-Hex)*i*-Pr are reported to efficiently metalate allyl chloride.18 We briefly examined the effect of base on the enantioselectivity of *syn*-chlorohydrin formation (Table 5). With the exception of LDA, which gave lower diastereo- and enanatioselectivities, all bases examined gave chlorohydrin with comparable diastereo- and enantiomeric composition.

# **Conclusions**

In summary, (R-chloroallyl)lithium, generated *in situ*, is trapped by 9-MeO-9-BBN. Subsequent treatment with **BF**<sub>3</sub>OEt<sub>2</sub> leads to (*Z*)-(γ-chloroallyl)borane **5**, which condenses with aldehydes to yield  $(\pm)$  *syn*- $\alpha$ -chlorohydrins **7** and  $(\pm)$  *cis*-vinyloxiranes **9**.<sup>27</sup> Use of <sup>*d*</sup>Ipc<sub>2</sub>BOMe or <sup>*l*</sup> Ipc2BOMe in this process leads to (*Z*)-(*γ*-chloroallyl) boranes **13a**-**d** which yield chiral chlorohydrins and *cis*vinyloxiranes in high de and ee. A similiar sequence using (bromoallyl)lithium provided chiral *syn*-α-bromohydrins with slightly lower de and ee.

# **Experimental Section**

**General Chemical Procedures.** THF and diethyl ether were distilled from sodium-benzophenone ketyl. Diisopropy-

lamine, dicyclohexylamine [(c-Hex)<sub>2</sub>NH], *N*-isopropylcyclohexylamine, and 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine were freshly distilled from  $CaH<sub>2</sub>$  prior to use. Allyl chloride was freshly distilled over  $P_2O_5$  prior to use. Aldehydes were distilled prior to use. The <sup>d</sup>Ipc<sub>2</sub>BOMe, <sup>1</sup>Ipc<sub>2</sub>BOMe, and 9-BBN were purchased from Aldrich and used without purificaton. Moistureand air-sensitive reactions were conducted under argon in vacuum-dried glassware. A nitrogen glove-bag was used to weigh moisture-sensitive compounds. Syringes and cannulas were used to transfer air-sensitive reagents.<sup>28</sup> Unless otherwise stated, standard workup refers the combination of organic extracts, washing with ice-cold brine, drying over anhydrous MgSO4, and concentration *in vacuo*. 1H NMR and 13C NMR spectra were recorded at 400 and 100 MHz, respectively. GC analyses were conducted using a  $30\text{-m} \times 0.25\text{-mm}$  i.d. fused silica column coated with DB-1 with FID detection.

**General Procedure for Chloroallylboration of Aldehydes Using Ipc2BOMe** *syn***-(1***R***,2***R***)-2-Chloro-1-cyclo-hexyl-3-buten-1-ol (16a).** To a stirred and cooled (-95 °C) mixture of <sup>*d*</sup>Ipc<sub>2</sub>BOMe (11.5 mmol) and allyl chloride (15 mmol) in anhyd ether (50 mL) was added a solution of  $LiN(c-Hex)_{2}$ (15 mmol) in THF (25 mL). After stirring for 1 h,  $BF_3OEt_2$ (30 mmol) was added followed by cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde (11.5 mmol). The reaction was continued at  $-95$  °C for 4 h. All solvents were removed *in vacuo* at rt, and the residue was triturated with *n*-pentane (40 mL) and allowed to settle (12 h). The supernatant was transferred to another predried flask by cannula. The residue was further treated with pentane (2  $\times$  30 mL), and the pentane extracts were combined. Removal of pentane *in vacuo* furnished a semisolid. (For direct oxidative workup, see synthesis of *cis*-vinylepoxides). This residue was dissolved in ether and treated with ethanolamine following the reported procedure.19 Standard workup followed by flash chromatography (hexane:ether, 95:5) yielded **16a** as a colorless liquid  $(1.5 \text{ g}, 72\% \text{ yield})$ : <sup>13</sup>C NMR and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectral data are in agreement with those reported.<sup>17b</sup>  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub>  $+56.68$  ( $c = 2.41$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

*syn***-(1***R***,2***R*)-**2-Chloro-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (16b).** 1H NMR and 13C NMR spectral data are in agreement with reported values.<sup>17b</sup>  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +18.86 (*c* = 1.92, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

*syn***-**(**3***R***,4***R*)-**3-Chloro-1-dodecen-4-ol (16c).** IR (film) *ν* 3406, 1077, 987, 927 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 5.94 (ddd, *J* ) 17.6, 10.2, 8.6 Hz, 1H), 5.36 (ddd,  $J = 17.6$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.23 (ddd,  $J = 10.2$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 4.32 (dd,  $J = 8.7$ , 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (m, 1H), 2.17 (d,  $J = 2.0$  Hz, 1H), 1.58-0.86 (m, 17H). 13C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 135.45, 118.77, 74.27, 68.85, 34.90, 33.80,

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**Scheme 5**



29.50, 29.46, 29.20, 25.52, 22.62, 14.01. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity) 201 [(M<sup>+</sup> - 18) + 1 (8.3)], 183 (54.3), 165 (68.9), 141 (100).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +35.18 (*c* = 2.08, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C12H23ClO: C, 65.88; H, 10.60. Found: C, 65.78; H, 10.39.

*syn***-**(**2***R***,3***R*)-**3-Chloro-1-phenyl-4-penten-2-ol (16d).** IR (film) *ν* 3416, 1604, 1454, 1085, 989, 932 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ* 7.35-7.23 (m, 5H), 6.03 (ddd, *J* = 16.9, 10.2, 7.5 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (ddd,  $J = 16.9$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.28 (ddd,  $J = 10.2$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 4.36 (dd, J = 7.7, 4.6 Hz, 1H), 3.94 (m, 1H), 2.97 (dd,  $J = 13.8$ , 5 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (dd,  $J = 13.8$ , 7.8 Hz, 1H), 2.18 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  137.45, 135.27, 129.43, 126.65, 126.76, 119.08, 75.12, 67.06, 40.31. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity) 197  $[M^+ + 1 (12.7)]$ , 179 (29.8), 161 (27.5), 151 (4.3), 143 (100), 133 (7.3), 121 (36.7).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +15.7 (*c* = 2.88, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>11</sub>H<sub>13</sub>ClO: C, 67.18; H, 6.66. Found: C, 66.99; H, 6.78.

*syn***-**(**3***R***,4***R***)-3-Chloro-(5***E***)-1,5-octadien-4-ol (16e).** IR (film) *ν* 3396, 1670, 1640, 1101, 968, 927 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 5.95-5.80 (m, 2H), 5.49-5.43 (m, 1H), 5.35 (ddd, *J*  $= 16.9, 1, 1$  Hz, 1H), 5.24 (ddd,  $J = 10.2, 1, 1$  Hz, 1H), 4.33 (ddd,  $J = 14.4$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 4.16 (t,  $J = 6.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.06 (m, 2H), 1.88 (m, 1H), 0.99 (t,  $J = 3.4$  Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ* 136.80, 134.95, 126.78, 118.96, 75.30, 67.91, 25.18, 13.19. CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 143  $[(M^+ - 18) + 1 (100)]$ ,

125 (29.8), 107 (57.5).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +14.50 ( $c = 2.0$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C8H13ClO: C, 59.81; H, 8.16. Found: C, 59.69; H, 8.20.

*syn***-**(**3***R***,4***R*)-**4-Chloro-1-phenyl-(5***E)***-1,5-hexadien-3-ol (16f).** IR (film) *ν* 3395, 1651, 1494, 1449, 1070, 967, 931 cm-1. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.42-7.23 (m, 5H), 6.71 (d,  $J = 15.1$  Hz, 1H), 6.21 (dd,  $J = 15.1$ , 6 Hz, 1H), 5.98 (ddd,  $J = 16.9$ , 10.2, 7.8 Hz, 1H), 5.40 (d,  $J = 16.9$  Hz, 1H), 5.29 (d,  $J = 10.2$  Hz, 1H),  $4.65-4.39$  (m, 2H), 2.41 (s, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 136.27, 134.63, 133.12, 128.65, 128.06, 126.99, 126.70, 119.54, 75.20, 67.71. EIMS *m/z* (rel intensity) 208 [M<sup>+</sup> (4.3)], 172 (21), 133 (100), 115 (26.5), 103 (8.1), 91 (5.5), 77 (12), 55 (12.7). HRMS Calcd for C12H13ClO: 208.0655. Found: 208.0655.

*syn-***(3***R***,4***R***)-4-Chloro-2-methyl-5-hexen-3-ol (16g).** IR (film) *ν* 3363, 1651, 1416, 1087 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 5.97 (ddd,  $J = 16.9, 10.2, 6.8$  Hz, 1H), 5.37 (ddd,  $J = 16.9, 1, 1$  Hz, 1H), 5.24 (ddd,  $J = 10.2$ , 0.7, 0.7 Hz, 1H), 4.50 (dd,  $J = 8.8$ , 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (dd,  $J = 8.0$ , 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.05 (d,  $J = 6.2$  Hz, 1H), 1.87 (m, 1H), 0.97 (dd,  $J = 9.9$ , 6.8 Hz, 6H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 135.75, 118.4, 78.90, 67.45, 31.02, 19.67, 16.47. CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 149  $[(M^+ + 1 (12.3))$ , 131 (100).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +55.0 ( $c = 2.0$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>13</sub>-OCl: C. 56.57; H, 8.82. Found: C, 56.72; H, 8.77.

**Table 3. Haloallylboration of Aldehydes with Reagents 13a-d***<sup>a</sup>*

			syn- halohydrin,			cis- vinyloxirane <sup>b</sup>		
entry	$R'CHO R' =$	1	2	vield, $\frac{6}{6}c$	ee, $\%$ <sup>d</sup>	vield, $\frac{6}{6}c$	ee, $\%$ <sup>d</sup>	cis/ transe
1	$n-C_8H_{17}$	1a	2b	70	98	95	98 <sup>f</sup>	99:1
2	<i>i</i> -Pr	1a	2b	68	95	99	$95^f$	98:2
3	Ph	1a	2b	78	98	96	97	98:2
4 <sup>g</sup>	Ph	1a	2b	77	76	97	75	99:1
5	c-Hex	1a	2b	72	95	94	93	98:2
6	PhCH <sub>2</sub>	1a	2b	85	90	98	90	99:1
7	( <i>E</i> )-EtCH=CH	1a	2b	78	99	95	97	99:1
8	$(E)$ -PhCH=CH	1a	2b	75	$93^h$	85 <sup>i</sup>	$92^f$	98:2
9	t-Bu	1a	2b	65	78	90	77	97:3
10	Ph	1b	2b	77	95	98	93	96:4
11	c-Hex	1b	2b	71	94	97	92	94:6
12	Ph	1a	2с	75	97	98	94	98:2
13	c-Hex	1a	2c	78	96	96	94	98:2
14	c-Hex	1b	2c	70	94	97	94	95:5
15	Ph	1b	2c	68	93	92	92	94:6

<sup>*a*</sup> Li(c-Hex)<sub>2</sub>. Ate complex formation, decomposition (2.5 equiv of BF<sub>3</sub><sup>-</sup>OEt<sub>2</sub>) and aldehyde addition at  $-95$  °C (for solvent details see Experimental Section). *<sup>b</sup>* Obtained by cyclization of chlorohydrins with  $K_2CO_3/MeOH$ , unless noted. If oxiranes are insensitive to base (except entries 3, 6 and 7), they can be obtained by oxidation of intermediates  $14$  or  $15$  (NaOH/H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>), without isolation of chlorohydrin. *<sup>c</sup>* Isolated yields. *<sup>d</sup>* Ee's determined by GC (Cyclodex B, 30 m  $\times$  0.25 mm i.d. column, carrier gas He at 15 psi, temperature between 100 °C and 200 °C, isothermal), unless noted. The racemic compounds prepared using 9-methoxy-9-BBN instead of Ipc2BOMe. *<sup>e</sup>* Determined by 1H NMR and capillary GC analysis. These ratios were same as *syn/anti* ratios of chlorohydrins (determined by capillary GC analyses). <sup>*f*</sup> ee determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis (400 MHz) using Eu(hfc)<sub>3</sub>. *§* Reaction conducted in THF. h Determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR analysis of MTPA ester. <sup>*i*</sup> Cyclized using KO-*t*-Bu/THF.

#### **Scheme 6**



i) Et2O, R'CHO, -78 °C; ii) NH2CH2CH2OH, Et2O; iii) 5% Pd-C / H2, MeOH



*syn***-**(**3***R***,4***R*)-**4-Chloro-2,2-dimethyl-5-hexen-3-ol (16h).** IR (film) *ν* 3396, 1670, 1640, 1101, 968, 927 cm-1. 1H NMR  $(CDCI_3)$   $\delta$  6.05 (ddd,  $J = 16.9$ , 10.2, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.31 (ddd,  $J =$ 16.9, 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (ddd,  $J = 10.2$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 4.64 (dd, *J* ) 4.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.36 (dd, *J* ) 7.8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (d, *J*  $= 7.8$  Hz, 1H), 1.00 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  137.61, 117.06, 80.34, 66.32, 35.73, 26.77. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity)

**Table 4. Effect of Proportion of BF3**'**OEt2 on the EE of Chlorohydrins***<sup>a</sup>*

entry	R in LiNR <sub>2</sub>	$BF_3 \cdot OEt_2$ (equiv)	$R'$ in R'CHO	<i>syn</i> -α-chlorohydrin <b>16.</b> ee % <sup>b</sup>
	c-Hex	2.5	c-Hex	95
2 3	i-Pr c-Hex	2.5 2.5	c-Hex Ph	93.5 98
4	i-Pr	2.5	Ph	84
5	i-Pr	1.33	Ph	95
6	c-Hex	2.5	t-Bu	78
7	i-Pr	1.33	t-Bu	77
8	c-Hex	2.5	$n-C_8H_{17}$	94
9	i-Pr	2.5	$n-C_8H_{17}$	93
10	i-Pr	1.33	$n-C_8H_{17}$	92

*<sup>a</sup>* Ate complex formation, decomposition and aldehyde addition at -95 °C. <sup>*d*</sup>Ipc<sub>2</sub>BOMe was used. *b* ee's determined by GC (Cyclodex B, 30 m  $\times$  0.25 mm i.d. column using conditions given in Table 3).

**Table 5. Effect of Lithium Dialkylamide Base Structure on Stereoselectivity of Chlorohydrin Formation***<sup>a</sup>*

			$\alpha$ -chlorohydrin, 16		
entry	lithium dialkylamide used	R'CHO $R' =$	ee $(%)^b$	$ds^c$ syn vs anti	
	LDA	c-Hex	94	97:3	
2	LDA	Ph	82	95:5	
3	<b>LiTMP</b>	c-Hex	94	>99:1	
4	$Li(i-Pr)c$ -Hex	c-Hex	93	97:3	
5	$LiN(c-Hex)2$	c-Hex	96	>99:1	
6	$LiN(c-Hex)2$	Ph	98	99:1	

*a* Reactions at  $-95$  °C using  $dIpc_2BOMe$  and 2.5 equiv of BF<sub>3</sub><sup>•</sup>OEt<sub>2</sub>. *b* ee's determined by GC (Cyclodex B, 30 m  $\times$  0.25 mm ID column, using conditions in Table 3). *<sup>c</sup>* de's determined by 1H NMR and capillary GC analysis.

163  $[M^+ + 1 (13.1)], 145 (83.8), 127 (100), 109 (62.1). [\alpha]^{23}D$  $+38.60$  ( $c = 3.50$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>15</sub>ClO: C, 59.07; H, 9.30. Found: C, 59.29; H, 9.20.

*syn-***(1***R***,2***R*)-**2-Bromo-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (16i).** IR (film) *ν* 3378, 1494, 1278, 1087 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 6.11 (ddd,  $J = 16.9, 10, 10$  Hz, 1H), 5.31 (ddd,  $J = 16.9, 1, 1$  Hz, 1H), 5.15 (ddd,  $J = 10$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 4.70 (dd,  $J = 17.6$ , 5.4 Hz, 1H), 3.26 (dd,  $J = 12$ , 5.6 Hz, 1H), 1.96 (d,  $J = 6.6$  Hz, 1H), 1.84-1.14 (m, 11H). 13C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 136.49, 118.04, 78.09, 62.26, 41.56, 29.79, 26.84, 26.49, 26.22, 25.91. CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane rel intensity) 217  $[(M^+ + 2) - 18 + 1 (13.4)],$ 215  $[(M^+ - 18) + 1, (13.4)], 153 (81.4), 135 (63.5), 111 (100).$  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +25.52 ( $c = 3.02$ , Et<sub>2</sub>O). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrO: C, 51.71; H, 7.38. Found: C, 51.90; H, 7.35.

*syn***-(1***R***,2***R***)-2-Bromo-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (16j).** IR (film) *ν* 3445, 1640, 1489, 1425, 1048, 989, 926 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.18-7.43 (m, 5H), 5.94 (ddd, *J* = 17.6, 10.2, 8 Hz, 1H), 5.13 (ddd,  $J = 17.6$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.03 (ddd,  $J = 10, 1, 1$ Hz, 1H), 4.74 (dd,  $J = 7.2$ , 4.1 Hz, 1H), 4.43 (dd,  $J = 4.1$ , 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.81 (d,  $J = 3.6$  Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  135.27, 129.79, 129.04, 128.62, 126.55, 119.19, 77.04, 63.35. CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 211 [(M<sup>+</sup> + 2) - 18 (44.3)], 209  $[(M^+ - 18 (44.3)], 147 (35.9), 129 (59.7), 107 (100). [\alpha]^{23}D]$  $+36.78$  ( $c = 2.31$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>11</sub>OBr: C, 53.10; H, 4.91. Found: C, 53.08; H, 4.98.

*syn***-(1***S***,2***S***)-2-Bromo-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (17a).**  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> -25.27 (*c* = 2.91, Et<sub>2</sub>O).

 $\frac{\sinh(1.5,2.5)}{2.45}$ -2-Bromo-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (17b).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub>  $-34.68$  ( $c = 2.13$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

*syn***-(1***S***,2***S***)-2-Chloro-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (17c).**  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> -52.57 (*c* = 2.21, CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

 $\frac{1}{2}$  *syn*-(1*S*,2*S*)-2-Chloro-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (17d).  $\left[ \alpha \right] ^{23}$ D  $-18.50$  ( $c = 2.0$ , CHCl<sub>3</sub>).

**Synthesis of** *cis***-Vinylepoxides 18/19. (i) General Procedure for Oxidation of Boron Intermediates 14/15.** The residue obtained (see experimental procedure for preparation of **16a**) was dissolved in THF (20 mL) with stirring and cooled to 0 °C. Then, 3 M NaOH (12 mL) and 30%  $H_2O_2$  (12 mL) were sequentially added. The reaction mixture was allowed Synthesis of *syn*-α-Vinylchlorohydrins and *cis*-Vinylepoxides *J. Org. Chem., Vol. 61, No. 21, 1996* **7519** 

to warm to rt (14 h). Standard workup followed by flash chromatography yielded a colorless liquid, **18a** (1.29 g, 74% yield).

**(ii) General Procedure for Cyclization of** *syn***-α-Chlorohydrins.** To a solution of  $\alpha$ -chlorohydrin **16d** (0.95 g, 5) mmol) in MeOH (40 mL) was added  $K_2CO_3$  (1.20 g, 10.0 mmol). This mixture was stirred for 6 h after which time most MeOH was removed *in vacuo*. The resulting slurry was then diluted with water (20 mL), and the mixture was extracted with  $Et<sub>2</sub>O$  $(3 \times 40 \text{ mL})$ . Standard workup followed by flash chromatography (hexane:Et<sub>2</sub>O, 99:1) gave *cis*-vinyloxirane 18d (0.74 g, 98% yield).

*cis***-(1***R***,2***S***)-1-Cyclohexyl-1,2-epoxy-3-butene (18a).** IR (film) *ν* 1449, 1256, 1182, 985, 922, 823, 789 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ* 5.72 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10, 7.4, 1H), 5.47 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (ddd,  $J = 10$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd,  $J = 7.5$ , 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.77 (q,  $J = 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 1.77-1.13 (m, 11H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 133.57, 120.15, 63.45, 57.78, 36.13, 31.67, 28.95, 26.24, 25.78, 25.09. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity) 153 [M<sup>+</sup> + 1 (100)], 135 (68.5), 125 (8.7). [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup><sub>D</sub> +35.18 (*c* = 2.08, EtOH). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>16</sub>O: C, 78.89; H, 10.59. Found: C, 79.15; H, 10.73.

*cis***-(1***R***,2***S***)-1,2-Epoxy-1-phenyl-3-butene (18b).** IR (film) *ν* 1496, 1442, 1388, 1250, 1181, 986, 927, 821, 787 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 7.36-7.25 (m, 5H), 5.57-5.53 (m, 1H), 5.43- 5.34 (m, 1H),  $5.29 - 5.26$  (m, 1H),  $4.25$  (d,  $J = 4.1$  Hz, 1H),  $3.67$  $(q, J = 4.1 \text{ Hz}, 1\text{H})$ . <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  135.19, 132.15, 128.54, 128.13, 127.73, 126.48, 125.53, 121.84, 59.78, 58.85. CIMS *m/z* (rel intensity) 147 [M<sup>+</sup> + 1 (100)], 146 [M<sup>+</sup> (12.5)], 129 (54.7), 119 (11.7), 117 (14.4), 105 (23.0).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +97.36 (*c* = 2.65, EtOH). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>10</sub>O: C, 82.16; H, 6.89. Found: C, 82.23; H, 6.99.

*cis***-(3***R***,4***R***)-3,4-Epoxy-1-dodecene (18c).** IR (film) *ν* 1639, 1465, 1256, 984, 922, 815 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 5.71 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.34 (ddd,  $J = 10.2$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 3.39 (dd,  $J = 7.2$ , 4.3 Hz, 1H), 3.06 (m, 1H), 1.58-0.85 (m, 17H). 13C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 132.79, 120.04, 58.74, 57.12, 31.80, 29.39, 29.15, 27.73, 26.26, 22.60, 13.98. CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 183 [M<sup>+</sup> + 1 (27)], 165  $[(M^+ - 18) + 1 (12.5)]$ , 141 (100).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +15.7 (*c*  $=$  1.56, EtOH). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{12}H_{22}O$ : C, 79.06, H, 12.16. Found: C, 79.01; H, 12.20.

*cis***-**(**2***R***,3***S***)-2,3-Epoxy-1-phenyl-4-pentene (18d).** IR (film) *ν* 3086, 1639, 1496, 1250, 985, 928, 871, 778 cm-1. 1H NMR  $(CDCl_3)$   $\delta$  7.35-7.23 (m, 5H), 5.90 (ddd,  $J = 17.2, 10.4, 6.9$ Hz, 1H), 5.57 (ddd,  $J = 17.2$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.46 (ddd,  $J = 10.4$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 3.52 (dd,  $J = 6.9$ , 4.2 Hz, 1H), 3.33 (ddd,  $J = 6.1$ , 6.1, 4.2 Hz, 1H), 2.96 (dd,  $J = 14.8$ , 6.0 Hz, 1H), 2.82 (dd,  $J =$ 14.8, 6.7 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  137.68, 132.47, 128.90, 128.64, 126.64, 120.56, 58.96, 57.24, 34.17. EIMS *m/z* (rel intensity) 160 [M<sup>+</sup> (9.7)], 142 (43.3), 131 (17.5), 117 (14.3), 104 (87.5), 103 (47.3), 91 (100), 78 (53.2), 69 (52.8), 51 (18.9), 41 (11.2).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +15.48 ( $c = 3.08$ , EtOH). Anal. Calcd for C11H12O: C, 82.46; H, 7.55. Found: C, 82.30; H, 7.56.

*cis***-**(**3***R***,4***S***)-3,4-Epoxy-(5***E***)-1,5-octadiene (18e).** IR (film) *ν* 3088, 1641, 1244, 984, 927, 840, 792 cm-1. 1H NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 6.01 (dt, *J* = 15.5, 6.4 Hz, 1H), 5.78 (ddd, *J* = 17.3, 10.2, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 5.50 (dd,  $J = 17.3$ , 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.37 (dd,  $J = 10.2$ , 1.5 Hz, 1H), 5.26-5.33 (m*,* 1H), 3.54 (m*,* 2H), 2.10 (m, 2H), 1.00 (t,  $J = 7.6$  Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  139.99, 132.71, 122.80, 120.37, 58.84, 58.80, 25.58, 13.18. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity) 183 [M<sup>+</sup> + 1 (21.3)], 165 (12.1), 141 (100), 123 (3.7).  $[\alpha]^{23}D + 30.83$  ( $c = 1.05$ , EtOH). Anal. Calcd for C8H12O: C, 77.38; H, 9.74. Found: C, 77.20; H, 9.90.

*cis***-**(**3***R***,4***S*)-**3,4-Epoxy-1-phenyl-(1***E***)-1,5-hexadiene (18f).** IR (film) *ν* 1641, 1494, 1451, 984, 927 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  7.42-7.23 (m, 5H), 6.78 (d,  $J = 16$  Hz, 1H), 6.25 (dd,  $J = 16$ , 7.6 Hz, 1H), 5.81 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.2, 7.2 Hz, 1H), 5.63 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.41 (ddd, *J* = 10.2, 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 3.74 (ddd,  $J = 7.6$ , 4, 1 Hz, 1H), 3.65 (dd,  $J = 7.2$ , 4 Hz, 1H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 136.35, 135.70, 132.51, 128.67, 128.33, 128.15, 126.57, 123.49, 120.70, 59.29, 58.85. EIMS *m/z* (rel intensity) 172 [M<sup>+</sup> (9.7)], 144 (10.1), 143 (33.9), 129 (17.7), 128 (37), 117  $(17.7), 116 (23.5), 115 (100), 65 (10.5), 63 (11.1), 50 (12.7). [\alpha]^{23}$  $+102.0$  ( $c = 0.7$ , EtOH). HRMS Calcd for C<sub>12</sub>H<sub>12</sub>O : 172.0888. Found: 172.0882.

*cis***-**(**3***R***,4***S*)-**3,4-Epoxy-5-methyl-1-hexene (18g).** IR (film) *ν* 3034, 1641, 1244, 1197 cm<sup>-1</sup>. <sup>1</sup>H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  5.75 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 10.4, 7.4, 1H), 5.47 (ddd, *J* = 17.2, 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.33 (ddd,  $J = 10.4$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 3.44 (dd,  $J = 7.4$ , 4.4 Hz, 1H), 2.74 (dd,  $J = 7.4$ , 4.4 Hz, 1H), 1.49–1.40 (m, 1H), 1.07 (d,  $J =$ 1.3 Hz, 3H), 0.91 (d,  $J = 1.3$  Hz, 3H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 133.78, 120.69, 65.65, 58.78, 28.13, 20.27, 18.38. EIMS *m/z* 112 [M<sup>+</sup> (11.2)], 97 (26.5), 83 (18.7), 79 (13.4), 69 (68.7), 56 (100), 41 (29.7).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> -69.60 ( $c = 1.25$ , EtOH). HRMS Calcd for C7H12O: 112.0888. Found: 112.0885.

*cis***-**(**3***R***,4***S*)-**3,4-Epoxy-2,2-dimethyl-5-hexene (18h).** 1H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 5.94 (ddd, *J* = 17.8, 10.4, 8 Hz, 1H), 5.47 (dd, *J* ) 17.8, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J* ) 10.2, 1 Hz, 1H), 3.47 (dd, *J*  $= 8.0, 4.5$  Hz, 1H), 2.82 (d,  $J = 4.5$  Hz, 1H), 1.00 (s, 9H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 134.08, 119.44, 67.19, 59.07, 33.63, 27.60. CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 143  $[(M^+ - 18) + 1 (100)]$ , 125 (29.8), 107 (57.5).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub> +15.89 ( $c = 1.45$ , EtOH). Anal. Calcd for  $C_8H_{14}O$ : C, 76.13; H, 11.19. Found: C, 76.04; H, 11.24.

 $cis$  (1*S*,2*R*)-1-Cyclohexyl-1,2-epoxy-3-butene (19a). [ $\alpha$ ]<sup>23</sup>D  $-38.58$  ( $c = 2.68$ , EtOH).

 $cis$  (1*S*,2*R*)-1,2-Epoxy-1-phenyl-3-butene (19b).  $[\alpha]^{23}$ <sub>D</sub>  $-90.16$  ( $c = 2.05$ , EtOH).

**General Procedure for Chloroallylboration of Alde**hydes Using  $9$ -MeO- $9$ -BBN. To a stirred and cooled  $(-78)$  $\rm ^{\circ}\check{C})$  mixture of MeO-9-BBN (11.5 mmol) and allyl chloride (15 mmol) in anhyd ether (50 mL) was added a solution of LiN-  $(c-Hex)_2$  (15 mmol) in THF (25 mL). After stirring for 0.5 h,  $BF_3$ **OEt<sub>2</sub>** (30 mmol) was added followed by cyclohexanecarboxaldehyde (11.5 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 3 h at  $-78$  °C, then the cold bath was removed and the flask allowed to warm to rt. All solvents were removed *in vacuo*, and the residue was triturated with *n*-pentane (40 mL) and allowed to settle (12 h). The supernatant was transferred to another predried flask through a cannula. The residue was further treated with pentane ( $2 \times 30$  mL), and the pentane extracts were combined. Removal of pentane *in vacuo* furnished a semisolid. This was dissolved in ether and treated with ethanolamine following the reported procedure.<sup>19</sup> Standard workup followed by flash chromatography (hexane:ether, 95:5) yielded a mixture of **6a, 7a**, and **8a**.

Preparation of  $(\pm)$  *cis*-vinylepoxide **9b** by oxidation of boron intermediate employed a procedure analogous to that described for the synthesis of **18a**.

**(***Z***)-4-Chloro-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (6a).** 1H NMR and <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectra of 6a are in agreement with those reported.<sup>29</sup> CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 165  $[(M^+ - 18) + 1 (100)]$ , 147 (29.8), 129 (100).

**(***Z***)-4-Chloro-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (6b).** 1H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ* 6.13 (dd, *J* = 7.1, 1.0 Hz, 1H), 5.90 (dd, *J* = 9.4, 7.1 Hz, 1H), 3.44-3.49 (m, 1H), 2.60 (s, 1H), 2.32-2.49 (m, 2H), 1.88-1.66 (m, 6H), 1.02-1.39 (m, 5H). <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$ 128.6, 119.8, 75.2, 43.5, 32.2, 29.2, 28.0, 26.5, 26.3. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity) 173  $[(M^+ - 18) + 2 + 1 (8.4)], 171$  $[(M^+ - 8) + 1 (28)]$ , 135 (100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>17</sub>ClO: C, 63.65; H, 9.08. Found: C, 63.50; H, 9.12.

**(***Z***)-4-Bromo-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (6c).** 1H NMR and 13C NMR spectra of **6c** are in agreement with those reported.29 CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 211  $[(M^+ + 2) - 18 (13.4)],$ 209  $[(M^+ - 18) (13.4)]$ , 153 (21.4), 135 (100).

**(***Z***)-4-Bromo-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (6d).** 1H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ* 6.27 (m, 2H), 3.48 (ddd, *J* = 12.0, 5.6, 4 Hz, 1H), 2.41 (dd,  $J = 4.8$ , 4 Hz, 1H), 2.34 (m, 1H), 2.15 (s, 1H), 1.87-0.99 (m, 11H). 13C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 131.9, 109.5, 75.1, 43.5, 34.8, 29.2, 28.0, 26.5, 26.3, 26.1. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity) 217  $[(M^+ + 2) - 18 + 1 (7.4)]$ , 215  $[(M^+ - 18) + 1]$  $(6.9)$ ], 135 (78), 111 (100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>10</sub>H<sub>17</sub>BrO: C, 51.52; H, 7.35. Found: C, 51.65; H, 7.50.

*anti***-2-Chloro-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (8a).** 1H NMR and 13C NMR spectra of **8a** are in agreement with those reported.17b

anti-2-Chloro-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (8b). <sup>1</sup>H NMR and 13C NMR spectra of **8b** are in agreement with those reported.17b

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*anti***-2-Bromo-1-phenyl-3-buten-1-ol (8c).** 1H NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) *δ* 7.28-7.36 (m, 5H), 6.06 (dt, *J* = 17.0, 10.2 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (d,  $J = 17.6$  Hz, 1H), 5.13 (d,  $J = 10.2$  Hz, 1H), 4.98 (d,  $J = 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 4.73 (q,  $J = 4.4$  Hz, 1H), 2.79 (s, 1H); <sup>13</sup>C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 139.53, 134.09, 128.74, 128.45, 126.89, 119.80, 77.21, 60.45. CIMS *m/z* (isobutane, rel intensity) 211 [(M<sup>+</sup> +  $2) - 18$  (42.3)], 209 [(M<sup>+</sup> - 18) (44.6)], 147 (35.9), 129 (59.7), 107 (100). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{10}H_{11}BrO$ : C, 52.89; H, 4.88. Found: C, 53.01; H, 4.95.

*anti-***2-Bromo-1-cyclohexyl-3-buten-1-ol (8d).** 1H NMR  $(CDCI_3)$   $\delta$  6.12 (ddd,  $\dot{J} = 17.0, 10.8, 10$  Hz, 1H), 5.30 (ddd,  $J =$ 17.0, 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 5.19 (ddd,  $J = 10.8$ , 1, 1 Hz, 1H), 4.74 (dd, *J* = 10, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 3.55 (dd, *J* = 8, 3.6 Hz, 1H), 2.20 (s, 1H), 2.00 (m, 1H), 1.74-0.97 (m, 10H). 13C NMR (CDCl3) *δ* 134.57, 119.08, 78.50, 59.73, 40.47, 29.05, 28.72, 26.30, 25.96, 25.80. CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 217  $[(M^+ + 2) - 18 + 1]$  $(13.4)$ ], 215  $[(M<sup>+</sup> - 18) + 1 (12.6)]$ , 153 (39.4), 135 (100). Anal. Calcd for  $C_{10}H_{17}BrO: C, 51.52; H, 7.35.$  Found: C, 51.60; H, 7.45.

*trans*-**1,2-Epoxy-1-phenyl-3-butene (9c).** 1H NMR and 13C NMR spectra of **9c** are in agreement with those reported.17b EIMS  $m/z$  (rel intensity) 147 [M<sup>+</sup> + 1 (100)], 146 [M<sup>+</sup> (12.5)], 129 (61.7), 119 (15.7), 117 (12.3), 105 (28.5).

*trans*-**1-Cyclohexyl-1,2-epoxy-3-butene (9d).** 1H NMR and 13C NMR spectra of **9d** are in agreement with those reported.<sup>17b</sup> CIMS  $m/z$  (isobutane, rel intensity) 153 [(M<sup>+</sup> + 1) (100)], 135 (78.5), 125 (15.7).

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