Intramolecular [3 + 2] Annulation of Olefin-Tethered **Cyclopropylamines**

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Starting from readily available olefin-tethered tertiary aminocyclopropanes, we have developed a convenient [3 + 2] annulation reaction by means of one-electron oxidation which can be induced photochemically or chemically, followed by two sequential 5-exo radical cyclizations. The rate constants for the competing 1,5-hydrogen transfer in the β -immonium carbon radical intermediate have been estimated to fall between 1000 (6-exo) and 100 (7-exo and/or 8-endo) s^{-1} at room temperature.

Tertiary aminocyclopropanes 1 can be prepared in good yields by the Simmons-Smith cyclopropanation of enamines or, more conveniently, by Ti(II)-mediated coupling of terminal olefins and $N_{\cdot}N_{\cdot}$ dialkylcarboxamides.¹⁻⁵ They resist ring cleavage by acids, bases, or electrophiles.⁶ We recently developed a convenient method for facile ring opening of these cyclopropylamines by photosensitized oxidation (Scheme 1). 7 The cyclopropylamine cation radicals 1⁺⁺ undergo facile ring opening, followed by 1,5hydrogen shift(s) of the resulting β -immonium carbon radicals 2, to afford the ring-opened ketones 5 upon hydrolysis. Analogous ring opening of the cyclopropylamine radical cations has been implicated as the mode of inactivation by cyclopropylamines of cytochrome P-450 and monoamine oxidase.⁸ In light of the synthetic potential and biological significance of cyclopropylamine cation radicals, we decided to assess the relative rates of 1,5-hydrogen transfer (i.e., $2a \rightarrow 3a$) of the β -immonium carbon radical intermediate by employing competitive 5-, 6-, and 7-exo cyclization (e.g., $2a \rightarrow 6$) to the tethered olefin (eq 1).^{9,10} Herein we report a new, intramolecular

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The starting materials 1 were readily prepared in a single step by Ti(II)-mediated coupling of the corresponding dienes.² The trans-1,2-dialkyl (major) isomers were used for photooxidation experiments (Table 1). In a typical experiment, a deaerated solution of cyclopropylamine 7a in 10:1 MeCN-H₂O containing 1.5 equiv of 1,4-dicyanobenzene (DCB) was irradiated for 1 h; the bicyclic amine 8a was isolated as a single diastereomer in 91% yield (based on 66% conversion) (entry 1, Table 1). The expected β -immonium carbon radical **2a** preferentially undergoes 5-exo cyclization over the competing 1,5-hydrogen transfer to afford a new radical 6. A second intramolecular cyclization, followed by reduction with DCB^{•–}, then affords the annulation product. On the basis of steric considerations (see 6A), its stereochemistry is tentatively assigned as 8a. The observation that replacement of the propyl group by the bulkier cyclopentyl unit (see 13A) resulted in the stereorandom (1:1) production of two diastereomers 14 (entry 6) supports this stereochemical assignment (compare also entry 5 vs entries 8 and 9). Both trans- and cis-1,2-dialkyl diastereomers, 7a and 10, gave the identical photooxidation product 8a (entry 4). Photooxidation of the homologue 7b also furnished the amino-substituted bicyclo[4.3.0]nonane 8b in 47% (unoptimized) yield (based on 75% conversion). On the other hand, no cyclization product 8c, but only the ketone 9c, was obtained (60% yield) from the homologue 7c. The rate constants for 1,5-hydrogen transfer in these systems are estimated to fall between 1000 (6exo) and 100 (7-exo and/or 8-endo) s^{-1} at room temperature.



The fused tricyclic product 16 was obtained as a single



isomer in 50% yield (based on 60% conversion).¹⁴ Although the yield remains to be optimized, it is noteworthy that the two-step sequence involving cyclopropanation of

⁽¹⁴⁾ Whereas the stereochemistry has not been assigned yet, it is likely that **16** has the piperidine ring in the β configuration (with the α configuration of the cyclopentyl group).

 Table 2. Photosensitized Oxidation of

 Cyclopropylamines 7a and 13 in Several Solvent Systems

starti mate	ng reaction rials conditions	products		recovered starting material(s)		
7a	1.5 equiv DCB hv►	8a	+	7a	+ 10	
	10:1 MeCN-H ₂ O 1h	60%		28%	6%	
	10:1 MeCN-H ₂ O 2h	56%		10%	4%	
	10:1 MeCN-NH ₄ Cl 1h	45%		trace	trace	
	10:1 MeCN-pH 9 1.6h	34%		trace	trace	
13	1.5 equiv DCB hv►	14	+	13		
	10:1 MeCN-H ₂ O 1.3h	60%		14%	1 3-C 3%	
	10:1 MeCN-NH ₄ Cl 2h	50%		0%	0%	
	10:1 MeCN-pH 7 2h	42%		12%	trace	
	10:1 MeCN-MeOH 1h	26%		43%	3%	

a readily available diene and subsequent photooxidation provides convenient, easy access to the structurally complex triquinane ring system.

As can be seen from the examples in Table 1, a shortcoming of this novel [3 + 2] annulation reaction centers around low conversion. The crux of the problem is posed by the fact that the tertiary amine functionality of the annulation products is also susceptible to photooxidation; in fact, the amine products are anticipated to possess lower ionization and oxidation potentials than the starting materials because of the greater s character of the cyclopropyl group (compared to an sp³ alkyl).¹⁵ Indeed, prolonged irradiation resulted in poor yields due to further oxidative degradation of the desired product. In attempts to protect the tertiary amine products from such degradation by means of selective protonation, use of a (pH 7 or 9 phosphate) buffer and aqueous NH₄Cl solution, in addition to 10:1 CH₃CN-MeOH,^{16a} was investigated (Table 2). Unfortunately, none of the variations afforded the desired selective shield to the products; the best results were obtained by use of 10:1 CH₃CN-H₂O.^{16b} Only when sterically demanding groups are present at and near the amine (i.e., entries 7-9 vs entries 1-6, Table 1) could 10:1 CH₃CN–MeOH be utilized as the solvent to achieve comparable yields. It is interesting to note that the annulation reaction proceeds faster in 10:1 CH₃CN–H₂O than in CH₃CN–MeOH.

The undesired oxidative decomposition likely involves α -CH deprotonation, a well-documented reaction, of the aminium radicals¹⁷ and appears to be more pronounced for small alkyl substituents (such as methyl) at the amine group. For example, the nitrile **23** was obtained as the only isolable product (as a single diastereomer) in 20% yield from photooxidation of cyclopropylamine **21** (eq 2).



Next, α -CH deprotonation of the aminium radicals was explored concurrently with the oxidation of the resulting neutral α -amino radicals of type **27** (or **24**) to generate immonium ions 28, which should be inert to further oxidation (eq 3). Treatment of 7a with ceric ammonium nitrate (CAN) (5 equiv of CAN, 5 equiv of NaHCO₃, in 5:1 MeOH–CH₂Cl₂) afforded the secondary amine **25** in 61% yield, along with amide 26 (15%), ketone 9a (5%), and unreacted 7a (10%).¹⁸ The results of the use of other solvents are tabulated in Table 3. Mechanistically, the CAN-mediated [3 + 2] annulation reaction parallels the photooxidative process, but the main difference emerges only after the formation of the initial annulation products. Under CAN oxidation, the original annulation products undergo further oxidation to result in dealkylation, whereas such a pathway is precluded in the photosensitized oxidation by the presence of DCB⁻⁻. The [3 + 2] annulation reaction is anticipated to be general and tolerant of a wide range of substitution patterns: it is by no means limited to N-benzylamino cyclopropanes.¹⁹

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 Table 3. CAN Oxidation of Cyclopropylamine 7a Under Several Conditions

startin materi	g reaction als conditions	products recovered starting material(s)						
7a	5 equiv CAN 5 equiv NaHCO ₃	25	+ 26	+ 9a [*] (n = 1)	+ 7a			
	DMF (24m <i>M</i>) 2h	22%	25%	49%				
	DMF (6m <i>M</i>) 2h	22%	40%	25%				
	10:1 DMF-H ₂ O 24h	trace			82%			
	5:1 MeOH-CH ₂ Cl ₂ 24h	61%	15%	5%	10%			
	5:1 MeOH-THF 25h	61%	5%	5%	20%			
	10 equiv CAN 10 equiv NaHCO ₃ 5:1 MeOH-CH ₂ Cl ₂ 25h	55%	20%	18%	0%			

*The ketone $\boldsymbol{9a}$ was admixed with inseparable, unidentified by products.



In summary, starting from readily available olefintethered cyclopropylamines, we have developed a convenient [3 + 2] annulation reaction by means of oneelectron oxidation which can be induced photochemically or chemically, followed by two sequential 5-exo radical cyclizations. The rate constants for the competing 1,5hydrogen transfer in the β -immonium carbon radical intermediate have been estimated to fall between 1000 (6-exo) and 100 (7-exo and/or 8-endo) s⁻¹ at room temperature. Further optimization and comparison studies of the photochemical and chemical [3 + 2] annulation methods, along with synthetic applications, will be reported in due course.

Experimental Section

A Representative Procedure for Photosensitized Oxidation of Olefin-Tethered *N*,*N*-Dialkylcyclopropylamines. A mixture of the tertiary aminocyclopropane **7a** (29 mg, 0.1 mmol) and 1,4-dicyanobenzene (19 mg, 0.15 mmol) in 10:1 CH₃CN-H₂O (33 mL) was placed in a Hanovia 450-W immersion photochemical reactor (equipped with a medium-pressure mercury lamp) and deaerated with nitrogen. The reaction mixture was irradiated at room temperature for 1 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. After the lamp was turned off, the resulting mixture was extracted with EtOAc (2×20 mL), dried (MgSO₄), filtered, and concentrated under reduced pressure. The residue was purified by column chromatography (5:1 hexane–EtOAc) to afford the bicyclic annulation product **8a** (17 mg, 60%), along with 10 mg (34%) of the recovered cyclopropylamine (as a ~4:1 mixture of *cis*- and *trans*-1,2-dialkyl isomers. **7a** and **10**).

8a: ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 0.89 (t, J = 6.9 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6 H), 1.15–1.65 (m, 20 H), 1.74 (dd, J = 8.0, 12.4 Hz, 1 H), 1.94 (m, 1 H), 2.25 (m, 1 H), 2.59 (q, J = 7.0 Hz, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.1, 15.2, 17.0, 17.5, 22.7, 25.7, 28.9, 32.1, 32.7, 33.2, 34.9, 35.0, 39.4, 41.3, 43.3, 49.1, 52.6, 71.2; MS *m*/*z* 293 (M⁺, 2), 222 (49), 191 (58), 149 (100), 121 (76); HRMS (M⁺) 293.3082 calcd for C₂₀H₃₉N, found 293.3078.

8b: ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 6 H), 1.01 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6 H), 1.10–1.57 (m, 19 H), 1.58 (m, 1 H), 1.64–1.81 (m, 4 H), 2.02 (m, 1 H), 2.44 (dq, J = 14.0, 7.1 Hz, 2 H), 2.51 (dq, J = 14.0, 7.1 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.1, 15.1, 17.1, 17.9, 22.6, 26.3, 26.6, 29.7, 29.9, 31.4, 31.7, 32.3, 32.9, 38.7, 43.9, 44.0, 44.5, 50.8, 53.1, 69.6; MS m/z307 (M⁺, 1), 216 (53), 187 (78), 163 (76), 121 (100); HRMS (M⁺) 307.3239 calcd for C₂₁H₄₁N, found 307.3232.

9c: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 1709 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 3 H), 0.91 (t, J = 7.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.28 (m, 14 H), 1.58 (m, 4 H), 2.00 (m, 4 H), 2.36 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 2 H), 2.37 (t, J = 7.4 Hz, 2 H), 5.35 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 13.8, 14.1, 17.3, 22.6, 23.8, 27.2, 29.1, 29.2, 29.3, 29.4, 29.7, 31.5, 32.5, 42.8, 44.7, 129.8, 129.9, 211.5; MS *m*/*z* 266 (M⁺, 22), 223 (79), 178 (49), 153 (86), 125 (100); HRMS (M⁺) 266.2609 calcd for C₁₈H₃₄O, found 266.2599.

12: ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.94 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.04 (t, J = 7.1 Hz, 6 H), 1.14–1.45 (m, 12 H), 1.65 (m, 1 H), 1.79 (m, 2 H), 2.05 (m, 1 H), 2.25 (m, 1 H), 2.72 (q, J = 7.1 Hz, 4 H), 7.21 (m, 5 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 15.2, 17.1, 17.5, 25.4, 33.2, 33.8, 34.8, 38.1, 39.0, 40.9, 43.2, 48.2, 54.7, 71.3, 125.4, 128.1, 129.0, 142.6.

14 (one diastereomer): ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6 H), 1.15–1.69 (m, 24 H), 1.94 (dd, J = 8.4, 14.1 Hz, 1 H), 2.22 (m, 1 H), 2.34 (m, 1 H), 2.47 (m, 1 H), 2.68 (dq, J = 14.0, 7.0 Hz, 2 H), 2.77 (dq, J = 14.0, 7.0 Hz, 2 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.2, 17.1, 22.7, 25.3, 25.7, 26.4, 29.2, 29.3, 30.0, 31.9, 33.0, 34.1, 34.3, 39.0, 41.3, 44.3, 45.1, 50.8, 55.9, 75.7; MS *m*/*z* 319 (M⁺, 1), 246 (17), 222 (20), 175 (100), 133 (37); HRMS (M⁺) 319.3239 calcd for C₂₂H₄₁N, found 319.3220.

14 (the other diastereomer): ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.96 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 6 H), 1.15–1.70 (m, 24 H), 1.91 (dd, J = 8.8, 13.3 Hz, 1 H), 1.99 (m, 1 H), 2.11 (m, 1 H), 2.30 (m, 1 H), 2.55 (ddq, J = 13.5, 13.5, 7.0 Hz, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.2, 17.4, 22.8, 24.9, 25.8, 26.1, 27.5, 29.1, 30.4, 32.8, 33.2, 34.5, 35.7, 39.4, 41.1, 43.7, 44.7, 50.4, 54.4, 74.2.

16: $^{1}\rm H$ NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 1.25–1.83 (m, 27 H), 1.91–2.02 (m, 2 H), 2.09 (m, 1 H), 2.30 (m, 1 H), 2.68 (m, 4 H); $^{13}\rm C$ NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 25.2, 25.6, 26.0, 26.7, 27.9, 28.4, 29.4, 29.8, 32.3, 40.2, 42.0, 42.3, 46.1, 48.7, 50.0, 60.4, 73.3; MS m/z 301 (M⁺, 2), 232 (100), 216 (58), 187 (67), 173 (64), 147 (42), 119 (46); HRMS (M⁺) 301.2769 calcd for $C_{21}H_{35}N$, found 301.2762.

18 (one diastereomer): ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 6.5 Hz, 3 H), 1.06 (dd, J = 10.2, 13.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.11– 1.63 (m, 30 H), 1.86 (dd, J = 7.7, 13.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.20 (m, 1 H), 2.35 (m, 1 H), 2.63 (br s, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.2, 22.7, 25.2, 25.7, 26.0, 28.0, 28.9, 29.1, 29.7, 29.8, 32.0, 32.9, 33.6, 33.8, 36.9, 40.4, 43.1, 50.0, 50.4, 55.8, 73.8; MS *m*/*z* 331 (M⁺, 3), 262 (59), 217 (18), 175 (100), 133 (30); HRMS (M⁺) 331.3239 calcd for C₂₃H₄₁N, found 331.3231.

20 (one diastereomer): ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.83 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 0.91 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.08 (dd, J = 10.3, 13.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.16–1.62 (m, 23 H), 1.64 (m, 1 H), 1.86

(dd, J = 7.8, 13.7 Hz, 1 H), 2.18 (m, 1 H), 2.25 (m, 2 H), 2.63 (br s, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 22.2, 24.7, 25.3, 25.7, 25.9, 26.0, 26.2, 28.0, 28.7, 29.8, 33.4, 33.7, 37.0, 40.6, 41.7, 43.0, 50.0, 50.7, 52.6, 74.0; MS m/z 317 (M⁺, 4), 274 (30), 248 (87), 176 (100), 133 (50); HRMS (M⁺) 317.3082 calcd for C₂₂H₃₉N, found 317.3099.

23: ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.01 (s, 3 H), 1.17 (m, 2 H), 1.37 (m, 1 H), 1.44 (m, 2 H), 1.50–1.77 (m, 6 H), 1.72 (dd, J = 10.3, 13.7 Hz, 1 H), 1.97 (m, 1 H), 2.36 (m, 1 H), 2.41 (s, 3 H), 3.50 (d, A of ABq, J = 17.5 Hz, 1 H), 3.66 (d, B of ABq, J = 17.5 Hz, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 19.5, 21.6, 24.7, 25.6, 25.7, 33.1, 33.9, 35.8, 38.8, 39.9, 40.2, 40.5, 47.9, 48.0, 68.0, 118.3.

A Representative Procedure for CAN Oxidation of Olefin-Tethered *N,N*-Dialkylcyclopropylamines. To a solution of cyclopropylamine **7a** (29 mg, 0.1 mmol) in 5:1 MeOH–CH₂Cl₂ (6 mL) were added CAN (0.27 g, 0.5 mmol) and NaHCO₃ (42 mg, 0.5 mmol). The resulting mixture was stirred at room temperature for 24 h and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was dissolved in CH₂Cl₂ (10 mL) and 1 N NaOH (2 mL). After the organic solution layer was separated, the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3 × 10 mL). The combined organic extracts were washed with brine, dried over MgSO₄, and concentrated in vacuo. The residue was purified by column chromatography (hexane; 10:1 hexane– EtOAc; 30:1 CH₂Cl₂ – EtOH) to afford the bicyclic products **25** and **26**, in addition to the ring-opened ketone **9a** and the unreacted starting material **7a**.

25: ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.94 (t, J = 6.6 Hz, 3 H), 1.19–1.70 (m, 19 H), 1.35 (t, J = 7.2 Hz, 3 H), 1.88 (m, 1 H), 2.06 (m, 1 H), 2.17 (dd, J = 7.9, 12.6 Hz, 1 H), 2.39 (m, 1 H), 2.93 (m, 1 H), 3.04 (m, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 12.2, 14.0, 14.7, 16.7, 22.7, 25.1, 28.2, 30.8, 32.4, 32.7, 32.9, 34.5, 38.5, 39.8, 40.3, 49.0, 52.9, 70.6.

26: IR (CH₂Cl₂) 2934, 1659 cm⁻¹; ¹H NMR (360 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (t, J = 6.7 Hz, 3 H), 0.92 (t, J = 7.3 Hz, 3 H), 1.11 (t, J = 7.0 Hz, 3 H), 1.15–1.72 (m, 20 H), 2.03 (m, 1 H), 2.08 (dd, J = 7.7, 12.3 Hz, 1 H), 2.41 (m, 1 H), 3.12 (dq, J = 14.0, 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 3.52 (dq, J = 14.0, 7.0 Hz, 1 H), 8.21 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (90 MHz, CDCl₃) δ 14.0, 14.4, 14.6, 16.3, 22.6, 25.3, 28.4, 30.3, 32.3, 32.4, 32.6, 34.4, 35.6, 39.3, 41.1, 47.7, 54.2, 70.4, 162.5.

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