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Photochemistry of Bichromophoric Molecules. Photochemistry and Photophysics of 2-Methylenebenznorbornene and Related Molecules in Protic Media¹

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Abstract: A novel, acid-catalyzed, photochemical anti-Markownikoff addition of methanol and other nucleophiles to 2-methylenebenznorbornene (MBN) is described. The effect of structure on this reaction has been studied using 2-isopropylidenebenzuorbornene (IPBN), 6- and 7-methoxy-2-methylenebenznorbornene (MeOMBN), 6- and 7-trifluoromethyl-2-methylenebenznorbornene (CF₃MBN), and 1-methoxymethyl-2-methyleue- d_2 -benznorbornene (MMBN). The chemical and photophysical data suggest a mechanism involving three sequential intermediates: 27 (the fluorescent singlet state), 28 (a nonfluorescent, intramolecular charge-transfer state), and 29 (a protonated radical cation). Both 28 and 29 provide efficient radiationless decay paths which result in diminished fluorescent yields and lifetimes for the aryl olefins. The role of acid is especially noteworthy in that it allows for an otherwise endothermic electron transfer from the double bond to the aromatic ring; a similar role is likely in other acid-assisted photochemical reactions of aromatics.

The accompanying paper^{1a} details the photochemistry and photophysics of the title compound (MBN) in hydrocarbon media. During the course of that study we observed that photolysis of MBN in methanol gives rise to a new reaction path, i.e., anti-Markownikoff addition of solvent to the double bond.² The fact that such addition was unprecedented for a nonconjugated olefin, and the potential relationship of this reaction to the greatly increased radiationless decay characteristic of MBN,^{1a} led us to explore in detail the photochemistry and photophysics of MBN in protic media.

Results

Photochemistry of 2-Methylenebenznorbornene (MBN) in Methanol. Irradiation of a 0.02 M solution of MBN in methanol with 0.001 N H₂SO₄ at 254 nm with a low-pressure mercury lamp results in the formation of three photoproducts. All were independently synthesized and have been identified as 1 (endo-2-methoxymethylbenznorbornene), 2 (1-methoxybenzo[6,7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene), and 3 (cis- and *trans*-1-allyl-3-methoxyindan). Quantum efficiencies are ϕ_{dis} = 0.056 ± 0.004 , $\phi_1 = 0.027 \pm 0.001$, $\phi_2 = 0.012 \pm 0.001$, ϕ_3 = 0.0038 ± 0.0002 . The positions of deuterium incorporation when methanol-d was used as solvent were ascertained by ${}^{1}H$ NMR analysis and are designated by an asterisk in eq 1. There was no deuterium incorporation in the recovered MBN.

Photochemistry of 2-Methylene- d_2 -benznorborene. This



photolysis was conducted using conditions identical with those described above. The position of the deuterium atoms was determined by ¹H NMR; cf. eq 2.

Photosensitized Reaction of MBN. Irradiation of a 0.01 M solution of MBN with 2 M p-xylene and 0.001 N H₂SO₄ to low conversion gave the following product ratio: 1, 5%; 2, 71%; 3, 24%. These numbers may be compared with those obtained upon direct photolysis: 1, 63%; 2, 28%; 3, 9%.

Xenon Perturbation Study of MBN, MBN was irradiated in methanol with xenon and compared to simultaneous pho-

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Table	I, Quantum	Efficiencies c	of Fluorescence	and Singlet
Lifetin	nes of MBN	and Related	Molecules	

compd	solvent	$\Phi_{\mathrm{f}}{}^a$	1τ , ns ^b
endo-2-isobutylbenz- norbornene	hexane		14.7
	methanol + 0.001 N HCl		10.2
2-methylenebenznorbornene	hexane	0.08	4.5
(MBN)	methanol + 0.001 N HCl	0.033	2.3
	methanol + NaHCO3	0.033	
2-isopropylidenebenz- norbornene	hexane	0.075	4.2
(IPBN)	methanol + 0.001 N HCl		3.8
	methanol + NaHCO3		3.8
methoxy- <i>endo</i> -2-methyl- benznorbornene	hexane	0.25	5.4
methoxy-2-methylenebenz- norbornene (MeOMBN)	hexane	0.22	4.7
trifluoromethyl-endo-2- methylbenznorbornene	hexane	0.17	11.5
trifluoromethyl-2-methy- lenebenznorbornene (CF ₃ MBN)	hexane	0.046	4.2 <i>c</i>

^{*a*} All Φ_f values were determined relative to toluene ($\phi_f = 0.14$).³ ^{*b*} These values are considered accurate to ±1 ns. ^{*c*} This value is anomalously high (36% of its saturated model) compared to its Φ_f value (27% of the model compound).



tolyses without xenon. Product 1 was quenched 42% by xenon while 2 and 3 were both formed 2.12 times more efficiently with xenon.

Effect of Acid on the Photochemistry of MBN. Compounds 1, 2, and 3 form 30-300-fold more slowly in basic methanol. In order to determine the role of acid in the catalysis, the quantum efficiencies of product formation were determined as a function of acid concentration. The responses of 2 and 3 to changes in acid concentration are identical, each forming 4.3 times more efficiently in 0.01 N than 0.0001 N H₂SO₄. The rate of formation of 1 is less sensitive, increasing only 2.5-fold over the same range of acid concentrations. The results are plotted as Φ^{-1} vs. $[H^+]^{-1}$ in Figure 1. In a second experiment, MBN was photolyzed using sensitization conditions previously described, but in methanol saturated with NaHCO₃. Neither 2 nor 3 was produced, *indicating sensitivity of even the triplet manifold to catalytic amounts of acid*.

Photochemistry of MBN in 5% Acetic Acid-Dioxane. Photolysis of a 0.02 M solution of MBN in 5% acetic aciddioxane at 254 nm gives a 65% isolated yield of 4 (benznorbornen-*endo*-2-ylmethyl acetate), identified by independent synthesis. Irradiation under the same conditions but with 0.025



Figure 1, Plot of ϕ^{-1} vs. $[H^+]^{-1}$ for 1, 2, and 3. C = 1, 0.2, and 0.1 for 1, 2, and 3, respectively.

N HCl leads to the formation of 4 plus three other products, 5 (benznorbornen-*endo*-2-ylmethyl chloride), 6 (1-benznorbornen-*endo*-2-ylmethoxy-2-(2-chloroethoxy)ethane), and 7 (1-(2-(2-chloroethoxy)ethoxy)benzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene). Compound 5 was identified by independent synthesis and 6 and 7 were characterized spectroscopically (Experimental Section). The reaction is depicted in eq 3. Quantum



efficiencies are ϕ_{dis} (0.001 N HCl) = 0.05 ± 0.02, ϕ_4 (no HCl) = 0.035 ± 0.002, ϕ_4 (0.024 N HCl) = 0.006, ϕ_5 (0.024 N HCl) = 0.025, ϕ_6 (0.024 N HCl) = 0.009, ϕ_7 (0.024 N HCl) = 0.019. When MBN was photolyzed with 2 M *p*-xylene in 5% acetic acid-dioxane + 0.025 N HCl, none of the photoproducts could be detected.

Spectroscopy of MBN. The absorption and fluorescence spectra of MBN in methanol are identical with those recorded in hexane,^{1a} and are unaffected by 10^{-3} N HCl or NaHCO₃. The fluorescence quantum yields and singlet lifetimes for MBN and related molecules are given in Table I.

Photochemistry of 2-Isopropylidenebenznorbornene (IPBN). IPBN was prepared in two steps by reaction of isopropyllithium with benznorbornen-2-one, followed by dehydration of the resultant alcohol with POCl₃ in pyridine. Irradiation of a 0.01 M solution of IPBN in hexane with 10^{-3} N HCl at 254 nm results in the formation of three photoproducts. Compounds

Table II, Photosensitized Reaction of IPBN

		product ratios, %			
solvent		8	9	10	11
hexane	direct	16	47	37	
	sensitized	79	15	6	
methanol	direct	3	13	<1	83
	sensitized	56	22	2	20

8 (1-isopropenylbenznorbornene) and 9 (*endo*-2-isopropenylbenznorbornene) were identified by independent synthesis, and 10 (1-isopropylidene-3-vinylindan) was characterized spectroscopically. Irradiation in hexane containing 0.001 N D_2SO_4 and saturated with methanol-*d* gave products containing deuterium in the positions denoted by asterisks in eq 4, Under these conditions, 10 could not be isolated in sufficient



quantity for analysis; there was no deuterium incorporated in recovered IPBN.

Irradiation of a 0.01 M solution of IPBN in methanol with 0.001 N H_2SO_4 at 254 nm results in the formation of 8, 9, and the major photoproduct, 11 (2-(benznorbornen-*endo*-2-yl)-2-methoxypropane). The position of deuterium incorporated in 11 when methanol-*d* was used as solvent was ascertained by ¹H NMR and is designated by an asterisk in eq 5. Quantum



+8+9 (5)

efficiencies in methanol are $\phi_{dis} = 0.24 \pm 0.03$; **8**, 0.0053 \pm 0.0005, **9**, 0.045 \pm 0.004; **11**, 0.22 \pm 0.02.

Photosensitized Reaction of IPBN. Irradiation of 0.013 M solutions of IPBN with 0.001 N H_2SO_4 and 4 M *p*-xylene in methanol or hexane gave the results shown in Table II. The values are compared to those obtained upon direct photolysis.

Xenon Perturbation Study of IPBN. IPBN was photolyzed to low conversion in methanol or hexane with xenon and compared to simultaneous photolyses without xenon. In hexane, xenon quenched (91%) the formation of 9, had no effect on 8, and enhanced (67%) 10. In methanol, 11 was quenched (61%) by xenon.

Effect of Acid on the Photochemistry of IPBN. Product 11 forms ten times more efficiently in methanol with 0.001 N H_2SO_4 than in methanol saturated with NaHCO₃. In hexane under direct and sensitized conditions, respectively, 8 forms 32 and 1.1 times more efficiently with 0.001 N H_2SO_4 , while 9 is produced 14 and 1.4 times more efficiently under identical conditions. The rate of formation of 10 is unaffected by acid.





Spectroscopy of IPBN. The absorption and fluorescence spectra of IPBN taken in hexane at room temperature are presented in Figure 2 with data for MBN. The values of Φ_f and ${}^{1}\tau$ are given in Table I. Although Φ_f of IPBN in methanol was not determined, the spectra recorded in methanol saturated with NaHCO₃ or with 0.001 N H₂SO₄ are identical.

Preparation of 1-Methoxymethyl-2-methylenebenznorbornene (MMBN). MMBN was prepared by the sequence outlined in Scheme I. The alcohols were separated by silica chromatography and were identified by europium shift ¹H NMR experiments.

Photochemistry of MMBN. Irradiation of a 0.0075 M solution of MMBN in methanol with 0.001 N H₂SO₄ at 254 nm results in the formation of three major products, **12** (*endo*-2,1-bis(methoxymethyl)benznorbornene), **13** (*exo*-3-methoxy-3-methoxy-5-methoxymethylbenzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene), and **14** (5-methoxy-5-methoxymethylbenzo[1.2]bicyclo-[3.2.1]oct-1-ene). Each product was identified spectroscopically. MMBN was irradiated under identical conditions in methanol-*d*. The positions of deuterium incorporation were determined by ¹H NMR analysis and are designated with an asterisk in eq 6. Photolysis of 1-methoxymethyl-2-meth-





Figure 2. Absorption and fluorescence spectra of MBN and IPBN, in hexane at room temperature. (Note that the IPBN fluorescence is scaled up by a factor of 1.07.)

ylene- d_2 -benznorbornene under identical conditions gave the results shown in eq 7.



Quantum efficiencies for MMBN follow: 12, 0.019 \pm 0.001; 13, 0.018 \pm 0.001; 14, 0.019 \pm 0.001.

Effects of Sensitizer, Xenon, and Acid on MMBN. Photolysis of a 0.02 M solution of MMBN in methanol with 0.001 N H₂SO₄ and 1 M *p*-xylene gave the following ratio: 12, 13%; 13, 74%; 14, 13%. The values obtained upon direct photolysis follow: 12, 34%; 13, 32%; 14, 34%. When MMBN was irradiated in methanol with xenon, the rates of formation of 12 and 14 were diminished by 35% but product 13 was enhanced by 54%. Under direct and sensitized conditions, respectively, 13 forms 5.6 and 3.0 times more efficiently in methanol with 0.001 N H₂SO₄ than in methanol saturated with NaHCO₃. Compounds 12 and 14 do not form under either condition in basic methanol.

Photochemistry of 6- and 7-Methoxy-2-methylenebenznorbornene (MeOMBN). The 1:0.7 mixture of isomeric starting materials was synthesized from the corresponding ketones⁴ by a standard Wittig reaction. Irradiation at 254 nm of a 0.008 M solution of MeOMBN in methanol results in the formation of 15, identified spectroscopically as a mixture of 1,10- and 1,11-dimethoxybenzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene, and 16, a mixture of cis- and trans-5,3- and 6,3-dimethoxy-1-allylindan. The isomers of 15 could be separated by VPC and were found to form at identical rates (i.e., the ratio of isomers did not change from 10% to total conversion of starting material). The isomers of 16 could not be separated. The reaction is summarized in eq 8. The anti-Markownikoff adducts analogous to 1 were independently synthesized and shown by VPC to be absent from the reaction mixture. Quantum efficiencies follow: 15, $0.012_5 \pm 0.002$; 16, 0.002 ± 0.0004 . Absorption and fluorescence spectra, taken in hexane, are presented in Figure 3 together with those of the reduced (i.e., endo-2-methyl)



Figure 3. Absorption and fluorescence spectra of MeOMBN and MeO-MeBN, in hexane at room temperature. (Note that the MeOMBN fluorescence is scaled up by a factor of 1.11.)



analogue for purposes of comparison. ϕ_f and ${}^1\tau$ data are in Table I.

Photochemistry of 6- and 7-Trifluoromethyl-2-methylenebenznorbornene (CF₃MBN). A 1:1 mixture of starting materials was prepared from the carbonyl precursors⁴ by reaction with methylenetriphenylphosphorane. Photolysis of a 0.0013 M solution of CF₃MBN in methanol with 0.001 N H_2SO_4 at 254 nm gave 17, a mixture of 6- and 7-trifluoromethyl-endo-2-methoxymethylbenznorbornene. Two minor products were observed but were not isolated. The isomers could be separated analytically by VPC and were found to form at identical rates. The reaction is depicted in eq 9. The quantum



efficiency for 17 is $0.044_5 \pm 0.001$; it is not formed at all in methanol saturated with sodium bicarbonate. Absorption and fluorescence spectra, taken in hexane, are presented in Figure 4 with those of the reduced (i.e., *endo*-2-methyl) analogue for purposes of comparison. ϕ_f and ${}^1\tau$ data are in Table I.

Discussion

The photoproducts formed by irradiation of MBN and its analogue in protic media can be conveniently divided into two



Figure 4, Absorption and fluorescence spectra of CF_3MBN and CF_3MeBN , in hexane at room temperature. (Note that the CF_3MBN fluorescence is scaled up by a factor of 4.16.)





groups: those which arise via di- π -methane bonding^{1a} and those which form through polarization of the olefin. The former are of interest in that they represent additional support for the mechanism outlined in the preceding paper;^{1a} they will be discussed briefly in this context. The bulk of our Discussion will then focus on the charge-transfer chemistry and its relationship to the facile radiationless decay which characterizes MBN and related bichromophores.

Di- π -methane Chemistry. Of the photoproducts of MBN in methanol, compounds 2 and 3 appear to derive from a di- π -methane rearrangement to 18 (Scheme II; the asterisks locate the site of deuterium labeling when MBN- d_2 is irradiated; the deuterium atoms explicitly shown are those which are incorporated by photolysis of MBN in a deuterated medium). Homolytic fission of the highly strained 18 has been previously



shown to accommodate the products (23, 24) formed in hexane.^{1a} We suggest that in methanol, bond fission is heterolytic and provides the zwitterion 20. Formation of 2 from 20 is straightforward⁵ but cleavage of 20 to the carbene 21 is, to our knowledge, unprecedented.⁶ The xenon data indicate that 2 and 3 are at least in part derived from an MBN triplet; the sum of ϕ_2 and ϕ_3 (16 × 10⁻³) exceeds ϕ_{23} and ϕ_{24} (3.6 × 10³), thus suggesting that the di- π -methane reaction has been enhanced in the more polar medium.⁷

Products related to 2, and presumably formed by an analogous route, have been isolated from MBN in HOAc/HCl/ dioxane (7) and MeOMBN in methanol (15). The methoxymethyl group of MMBN inverts the polarity of 20 so that protonation occurs at the bridgehead to give 13. Of the 2-isopropylidenebenznorbornene (1PBN) photoproducts, 10 is a "diverted di- π -methane" product analogous to that isolated from MBN.^{1a} Compound 8 appears to be formed by two different routes, since direct photolysis only gives this product when acid is present whereas sensitization (*p*-xylene) is efficient with or without acid. A rationale is presented in Scheme III. The singlet rearrangement to 25 either bypasses 26 (i.e., is concerted) or involves ring closure too rapid for the competitive 1,4 hydrogen shift (therefore requiring acid).

A final point worth noting is the lack of a positional substituent effect on the di- π -methane reaction of the 6- and 7methoxy-MBN. The two isomers of 15 are found to form at identical rates, a fact which contrasts with the report⁸ that meta bridging is preferred over para bridging in 6- and 7methoxybenznorbornadiene. The simple molecular orbital rationale⁹ (in which bridging is proposed to involve the aromatic ring carbon with the largest orbital coefficient in the LUMO), which accommodates Paquette's data, also predicts an unobserved preference for meta bridging in MeOMBN.

Polarization of the Double Bond. The most striking aspect of MBN photochemistry in methanol (eq 1) is the anti-Markownikoff addition of solvent to the double bond. Such addition to an unconjugated olefin is unprecedented, though there are several reports of sensitized anti-Markownikoff additions involving a styrene chromophore.¹⁰ As regards MBN, the susceptibility to nucleophilic attack on the terminus of the double bond is general, with the chloride anion, acetic acid, and even dioxane¹¹ capable of intercepting the responsible intermediate (eq 3). The reaction efficiency is a function of acid concentration, aryl substitution, and olefin alkylation, with ϕ reaching 0.22 for methanol addition to IPBN at 10⁻³ N H₂SO₄ (eq 5).

Scheme IV



The combination of xenon quenching¹² and lack of xylene sensitization confirm that the reaction derives from the excited singlet state.¹³

The mechanism we suggest for these reactions is patterned after Arnold's rationale of his electron-transfer, sensitized additions,^{10c} and is outlined in Scheme IV. A justification of this mechanism, and specifically its invocation of several discrete intermediates, follows.

Several key observations relevant to Scheme IV come out of our associated photophysical studies (Table I). (a) The fluorescence and singlet lifetime of MBN in hexane are reduced by 67% relative to a dihydro model, indicating that interaction between the two chromophores has introduced a significant new radiationless decay path.^{1a} (b) The phenomenon is accentuated by methanol with MBN's fluorescence diminished a further 40% in this solvent. This suggests that the new singlet decay involves some polarization of the molecule. Since CF₃MBN shows a 73% decrease in its ϕ_f relative to a dihydro model and IPBN a 71% reduction in its τ , charge transfer is from the olefin to the aromatic ring (cf. k_i and 28). The methoxy-substituted analogue (MeOMBN) would be expected to resist such a polarization and indeed does, with $\phi_{\rm f}$ and 1τ only 11% less than the dihydro model. (c) Despite the requirement for acid catalysis in order to see significant amounts of photoaddition, acid has no effect on the ϕ_f of MBN or the 1τ of IPBN. This indicates that the emitting species (27) is not being protonated and is further evidence for a discrete species (28) between 27 and the protonated intermediate (29). (The nonlinearity of plots of ϕ vs. [H⁺] and linearity of ϕ^{-1} vs. $[H^+]^{-1}$ (Figure 1) require that protonation occurs after, rather than before, excitation.)

The intermediate **29** is represented as an aryl-proton π complex¹⁴ in which neither a full C-H nor a bridged C₂-C₆ bond is formed.¹⁵ There are several facts which support this view. (1) The use of deuterated media leads to no observable deuteration of the aromatic ring, such as one would expect if reversible σ C-H (D) bonding were occurring. (2) The two CF₃MBN isomers add methanol to the double bond at identical rates, a fact inconsistent with the formation of a C₂-C₆ bridge and creation of negative charge specifically at the ortho and para positions. (3) Were such bridging occurring, deuterium-labeled MMBN would eventually give rise to an intermediate (**32**, Scheme V) having appreciable symmetry. Such symmetry would be expected to lead to comparable efficiencies



for cleavage of bonds "a" and "b"¹⁷ with deuterium appearing at both the bridgehead and C_2 methoxymethylene groups. We take the fact that no such scrambling is observed as further evidence for a charge-transfer interaction which does not involve discrete bonding (28 and 29). Note that since di- π methane chemistry is proceeding simultaneously with addition, we are suggesting that di- π -methane (C_2-C_6) bonding and charge-transfer polarization involve distinctly different interactions (and consequently have different stereoelectronic requirements; see below).

Returning again to Scheme IV, it should be noted that the full transfer of an electron to the aromatic ring is avoided until the proton is brought into play $(28 \rightarrow 29)$. The free-energy



change associated with an electron transfer without proton assistance (i.e., $28 \rightarrow 33$) can be roughly estimated using the equation¹⁸

$$\Delta G \text{ (kcal/mol)} = 23.06[E(D/D^+)_V - E(A/A^-)_V] - 1.29 \times 10^{40} \left(\frac{e_0^2}{\epsilon \alpha}\right) - \Delta E_{0-0} \quad (10)$$

In this equation $E(D/D^+)_V =$ oxidation potential of the donor (in volts), $E(A/A^-)_V =$ reduction potential of the acceptor (in volts), $\Delta E_{0-0} =$ singlet energy of the excited species (kcal/mol), and $1.29 \times 10^{40}(e_0^2/\epsilon\alpha)$ is the "Coulombic attraction term" (kcal/mol) with $\epsilon_0 =$ electronic charge (1.6×10^{-19} C), $\epsilon =$ the dielectric constant, and $\alpha =$ the encounter distance of the ions (in Å).¹⁹ The reduction potential for xylene is unknown but can be estimated as -3.25 V from a plot of $E(A/A^-)_V$ vs. orbital coefficients of the LUMO.²⁰ For the other values we have used the oxidation potential for 2-methyl-2-butene (2.3 V).²¹ the singlet energy of MBN (102.6 kcal/mol) calculated from the intersection of the absorption and fluorescence spectra, and a Coulombic attraction term of 4.40 kcal/mol (using $\alpha = 2.3$ Å and $\epsilon_{methanol} = 32.6$). With these data, one



calculates $\Delta G = +21$ kcal/mol for formation of **33**, with the free-energy change remaining positive (+5 kcal/mol) even for CF₃MBN. Though the absolute magnitudes of these values are certainly ill defined, it seems reasonable to conclude that a simple electron transfer would be endothermic, with proton assistance necessary for the formation of the radical cation. The acid thus allows for an electron transfer which others have observed only by using aromatics bearing electron-withdrawing groups (e.g., methyl *p*-cyanobenzoate).

As regards the disposition of the radical cation, **29**, reaction with nucleophiles occurs so as to produce the most stable, homoconjugated radical 30.^{10c} The intermediate **29** can also be invoked to rationalize formation of **9** from IPBN (via deprotonation of the isopropylidene methyl group) and formation of **14** from MMBN (via a 1,3 phenyl shift),

A composite picture of MBN's photochemistry and photophysics in methanol is presented in Scheme VI. All ϕ 's in Scheme VI represent fractions of ¹MBN*. The ϕ_f is an experimental value, $\phi_{isc} (= k_{isc}{}^1\tau)$ and $\phi_{ic} (= k_{ic}{}^1\tau)$ are calculated from the observed ${}^1\tau$ and rate constants obtained from the dihydro model, 1a and $\phi_i = 1 - (\phi_f + \phi_{isc} + \phi_{ic})$. A simplified version of Scheme VI is presented in Scheme VII, for which a kinetic analysis provides eq 11. The experimentally determined slope and intercept for formation of the anti-Markownikoff product (1) as a function of acid (Figure 1) are 4.28×10^{-3} and 33 respectively. Therefore $k_{ic}/k_H = 1.30 \times 10^{-4}$ and when $[H^+] = 10^{-3}$ M, $k'_{ic}/k_H[H^+] = 0.130$. Thus, Scheme VII



at 10^{-3} N acid, 11.5% of **28** decays to MBN ($\phi_{ic} = 8\%$) and 88.5% of **28** is protonated ($\phi_{H} = 59\%$). Since $\phi_{1} = 3\%$, if one assumes no diversion between **30** and product, an appreciable amount of decay to MBN is introduced at **29** ($\phi_{ic}^{*} = 56\%$).

There are several places in the overall mechanism where structural changes in the substrate could affect the anti-Markownikoff addition. For example, substituents on the benzene ring affect ϕ_i as follows: MBN (67%), CF₃MBN (73%), MeOMBN (11%). In rate terms, k_i 's are (10⁸ s⁻¹) MBN (1.5), CF₃MBN (2.4), MeOMBN (0.3).²² The absence of anti-Markownikoff addition to MeOMBN undoubtedly reflects this inefficiency of initial charge transfer. It should be noted that a large, olefin-induced increase in aryl radiationless decay need not be associated with olefin polarization. For example, 6-phenyl-2-hexene is very short lived owing to the efficient formation of an intramolecular exciplex;²³ yet it fails to show the alcohol addition (attempts to "switch on" the acid-assisted polarization using appropriately substituted analogues are in progress). Likewise, the additional singlet decay intrinsic to 2-methyleneindan^{1a} does not lead to alcohol addition. Perhaps most striking, 2-methylenebenzobicyclo[2.2.2]oct-5-ene also resists the reaction even though it structurally resembles the [2.2.1] system²⁴ and exhibits an additional decay component (58%) comparable to that of MBN.²⁵ In this case, it may be that ϕ_{ic} now greatly exceeds ϕ_{H} . The competition between ϕ_{ic}^{*} and ϕ_{r} is most dramatically illustrated with IPBN. This molecule has a ϕ_i (67%) identical with that of MBN, can obviously do little to improve on the 88% of 28 which goes on to 29, and yet forms the methanol adduct with a quantum efficiency tenfold greater than MBN (0.22 vs. 0.026). The primary effect of the olefin alkyl groups is therefore a very large change in the ratio of ϕ_{ic} to ϕ_{r} .

Conclusions

Whereas the photochemistry of MBN in hexane proceeds through initial "di- π -methane" bridging, photolysis in protic media gives rise to anti-Markownikoff adducts as the major products. These adducts are the end products of a sequence initiated by a singlet-state interaction involving charge transfer from the double bond to the aromatic ring (28) followed by a proton-assisted electron transfer forming the radical cation 29, This radical cation can be intercepted by a variety of nucleophiles. In the absence of acid, or in the case of molecules for which proton-assisted electron transfer is not competitive, the initial charge-transfer process nevertheless provides a facile radiationless decay path which can appreciably shorten the singlet-state lifetime of nonconjugated aryl olefins.

Experimental Section

The complete experimental details for this work may be found in the Thesis of T.N.^{1b} The most cogent data are reproduced below. Much of the chemicals, instrumentation, and photochemical apparatus are described in the preceding paper.^{1a} In addition, methanol was Burdick and Jackson "Distilled in Glass", dioxane was Mallinckrodt, Spectr AR, and acetic acid was Mallinckrodt, glacial. VPC columns were as follows: B, 20 ft \times 0.25 in. 10% Carbowax 20M; C, 7 ft \times 0.125 in. 3% SE-30; F, 10 ft. × 0.250 in. 10% SE-30; G, 20 ft × 0.25 in. 20% XF-1150; H, 4 ft × 0.25 in. 10% SE-30; I, 20 ft × 0.25 in. 25% SE-30. Column supports were B, 60/80 AW-DMCS Chromosorb W; D, 60/80 AW Chromosorb P; F, G, H, I, 40/60 AW-DMCS Gas Pack W; C, 100/120 AW-DMCS Chromosorb W.

exo-2-Isopropylbenznorbornen-*endo-2-ol.* Isopropyllithium (12.8 mL of 1.5 M in hexane-ether) was stirred at -78 °C under nitrogen. Benznorbornen-2-one (3.0 g, 19.2 mmol) in ether (30 mL) was added dropwise over a 1-h period. The mixture was quenched with water, washed with 10% sulfuric acid and water, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated under vacuum to give 3.7 g of an oil. The oil was found to be 75% pure by analytical VPC on column C but could not be purified by column chromatography because a large percentage of the material decomposed on the column. An analytical sample was purified by VPC on column F.

The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 2.85, 3.35, 6.84, 6.88, 7.39, 8.46, 9.91, and 13.25 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.0–7.3 (m, aryl, 4 H), 3.2–3.35 (m, bridgehead, 2 H), 1.75–2.2 (m, 4 H), 0.95–1.15 (t, J = 6 Hz, 7 H), and 0.61 (s, hydroxy); mass spectrum *m/e* 202 (molecular ion) and 116 (base ion).

Anal. (C₁₄H₁₈) C, H.

2-Isopropylidenebenznorbornene (IPBN). Phosphorus oxychloride (3.0 g, 0.02 mol) was added to the crude alcohol from the previous reaction (2.0 g) in pyridine (14 g, 0.18 mol). The mixture was refluxed for 2 h, taken up in ether, washed with 10% sulfuric acid and water, and reduced under vacuum to give an oil. The oil was passed through alumina with hexane and the hexane was reduced. The product (1.0 g, 46% yield from benznorbornen-2-one, based on pure product) was 90% pure by VPC on column C. The major impurity was *exo*-2-chlorobenznorbornene.

An analytically pure sample was prepared by preparative gas chromatography on column G and had the following spectral data: IR (neat) 3.40, 6.86, 7.35, 7.91, 8.92, 9.92, 10.1, 13.4, and 14.0 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 6.9–7.5 (m, aryl, 4 H), 3.88 (s, H₁), 3.32–3.45 (m, H₄), 2.25–2.55 (dm, J = 14 Hz, 1 H), 1.60–2.00 (m, 3 H), 1.74 (s, methyl, 3 H), and 1.47 (s, methyl, 3 H); mass spectrum m/e 184 (molecular ion) and 141 (base ion).

Anal. (C₁₄H₁₆) C, H.

Benznorborna-2,5-diene-1-carbinol. Lithium aluminum hydride (1 M) in ether (200 mL) was added dropwise to methyl benznorborna-2,5-diene-1-carboxylate (5.3 g, 26.5 mmol) in ether (150 mL) under nitrogen. The mixture was stirred overnight and ethyl acetate was added to destroy the excess reagent. Hydrochloric acid (50%) was added until a pH of 2 was obtained and the mixture was extracted with ether. The ether was washed with sodium bicarbonate solution, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated in vacuo to give the desired alcohol²⁶ (4.61 g) containing a 3% impurity. An analytical sample was purified by gas chromatography on column F.

The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 2.95, 3.40, 6.93, 7.62, 9.50, 9.69, 9.98, 13.2, 13.4, 13.7, and 14.35 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.05–7.28 (m, aryl, 2 H), 6.75–7.0 (m, aryl and vinyl, 3 H), 6.57 (d, J = 6 Hz, vinyl, 1 H), 4.28 (s, methylene adjacent to the hydroxy, 2 H), 3.86 (bs, bridgehead, 1 H), 2.19–2.34 (AB pattern, H_{7en} and H_{7ex}), and 1.87 (s, hydroxy); mass spectrum *m/e* 172 (molecular ion) and 141 (base ion).

Anal. (C₁₂H₁₂O) C, H.

1-Methoxymethylbenznorborna-2,5-diene. Benznorborna-2,5diene-1-carbinol containing a 3% impurity (4.6 g, 26.8 mmol) and sodium hydride (0.96 g, 40 mmol) were placed in a round-bottom flask and the system was flushed with nitrogen. Tetrahydrofuran (70 mL) was added and the solution stirred for 30 min. Methyl iodide (15 mL) was then added and the solution stirred for an additional 36 h. The solvent and methyl iodide were evaporated, and the residual oil taken up in ether. The ethereal solution was washed with water, dried, and evaporated to give 5.13 g of the product. An analytical sample was prepared by gas chromatography on column H at 150 °C.

The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.45, 6.93, 7.65, 8.38, 8.57, 9.08, 9.97, 13.25, 13.4, 13.7, and 14.5 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.05–7.30 (m, aryl, 2 H), 6.75–7.05 (m, aryl and vinyl, 3 H) 6.56–6.73 (m, vinyl, 1 H), 4.10 (d, J = 9 Hz, methylene adjacent to ether, 1 H), 3.97 (d, J = 9 Hz, methylene adjacent to ether, 1 H), 3.85 (bs, bridgehead, 1 H), 3.48 (s, methyl, 3 H), and 2.19–2.37 (AB pattern, H_{7en} and H_{7ex}); mass spectrum m/e 186 (molecular ion) and 45 (base ion).

Anal. (C13H14O) C, H.

1-Methoxymethylbenznorbornen-exo-2-ol, Crude 1-methoxybenznorborna-2,5-diene (5.13 g, 27.5 mmol) from the above reaction, sodium borohydride (0.522 g, 13 mmol), and dry THF (50 mL) were stirred at 10 °C under nitrogen. Boron trifluoride etherate (2.81 g, 19.8 mmol) was added while maintaining the temperature between 10 and 20 °C. The mixture was stirred for an additional 1 h at ambient temperature and water (8 mL) then added cautiously. This was followed by 3 N sodium hydroxide (7.9 mL) and 30% hydrogen peroxide (7.9 mL), maintaining the temperature below 30 °C. The mixture was stirred for 1 h at room temperature, taken up in ether, and washed twice with water and twice with brine. The ether layer was dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and evaporated to give 5.54 g of an oil. Elution through alumina (750 g) with chloroform, or silica with chloroform/ether (4:1), gave the desired alcohol (0.96 g), the exo-3-ol (1.0 g), and an equal mixture of the two (1.75 g). The alcohols were identified by europium shift 'H NMR experiments, i.e., in the 3-ol, the bridgehead proton shifted 3.4 times faster than the methoxymethylene CH₂ hydrogens, whereas in the 2-ol, the bridgehead proton shifted about 0.3 times that for the CH₂ group. Analytical samples of each isomer were prepared by preparative gas chromatography on column F.

The spectral data of the *exo*-2-alcohol follow: IR (neat) 2.90, 3.40, 6.85, 6.90, 8.90, 9.16, 9.43, 9.68, and 13.35μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 6.90–7.25 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ_8 4.17 (d, J_{89} = 10 Hz), δ_9 3.94 (d, J_{98} = 10 Hz), δ_{2en} 3.76–4.05 (m), δ 3.41 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 3.00–3.30 (m, H₄ and hydroxy), δ_{7ex} 2.11 (bd, J_{7ex7en} = 9 Hz), δ 1.54–1.85 (m, H_{3ex}, H_{3en}, and H_{7en}); mass spectrum *m/e* 204 (weak, molecular ion) and 128 (base ion).

Anal. (C₁₃H₁₆O₂) C, H.

The spectral data for the *exo*-3-alcohol follow: IR (neat) 2.98, 3.40, 6.83, 6.90, 8.28, 8.41, 9.10, 9.45, 9.83, 10.45, and 13.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 6.92–7.25 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ_{3en} 3.80–4.05 (m), δ 3.86 (s, H₈ and H₉), δ 3.41 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 3.14 (bs, hydroxy, 1 H), δ_4 3.03–3.20 (m), δ_{7ex} 2.12 (bd, J_{7ex7en} = 9 Hz), δ 1.45–1.90 (m, H_{2ex}, H_{2en}, and H_{7en}); mass spectrum *m/e* 204 (molecular ion) and 128 (base ion).

Anal. (C13H16O2) C, H.

1-Methoxymethylbenznorbornen-2-one, 1-Methoxymethylbenznorbornen-exo-2-ol (0.90 g, 4.41 mmol), benzoquinone (1.0 g, 9.3 mmol), and aluminum *tert*-butoxide (3.83 g, 16.9 mmol) were refluxed in benzene (100 mL) for 48 h. Washing with 10% H_2SO_4 (2 × 50 mL) and 10% NaOH (5 × 50 mL), followed by evaporation of the solvent, gave 0.79 g (88%) of the ketone. An analytical sample was prepared by gas chromatography on column F at 190 °C.

The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.45, 5.75, 6.85, 8.36, 8.54, 9.08, 9.23, 10.35, and 13.25 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.05–7.35 (m, aryl, 4 H), 4.03 (AB pattern, J = 10 Hz, methylene adjacent to ether, 2 H), 3.60 (bs, bridgehead, 1 H), 3.42 (s, methoxy, 3 H), 2.17–2.52 (m, 3 H), and 2.01 (dd, J = 17 and 4 Hz, H_{3en}); mass spectrum *m/e* 202 (molecular and base ions).

Anal. $(C_{13}H_{14}O_2)$ C, H.

1-Methoxymethyl-2-methylene- d_2 -benznorbornene (MMBN- d_2). *n*-Butyllithium (4.25 mmol) was added to a slurry of methyl- d_3 -triphenylphosphonium iodide (2.02 g, 4.95 mmol) in dry THF (15 mL) under nitrogen, and the mixture stirred for 1 h. 1-Methoxymethylbenznorbornen-2-one (500 mg, 2.47 mmol) was added and the mixture refluxed for 12 h. Evaporation of the solvent, trituration with hexane, washing of the hexane layer with water, drying over MgSO₄, and evaporation provided an oil which was filtered through alumina with hexane to give 400 mg (80%) of the >95% deuterated olefin. An analytically pure sample was prepared by gas chromatography on column F.

The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.40, 6.16, 6.84, 7.02, 7.23, 8.38, 8.45, 8.81, 9.00, 9.11, 10.3, 13.3, and 14.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.0–7.2 (m, aryl, 4 H), 4.02 (AB pattern, J = 10 Hz, methylene adjacent to methoxy, 2 H), 3.45 (s, methoxy, 3 H), 3.35 (bs, bridgehead, 1 H), 2.63 (dd, J = 13 and 4 Hz, H_{3ex}), and 1.65–2.15 (m, 3 H); mass spectrum m/e 202 (molecular ion) and 171 (base ion).

Anal. $(C_{14}H_{14}D_2O) C, H, D$.

1-Methoxymethyl-2-methylenebenznorbornene (MMBN). This preparation mirrored that of MMBN- d_2 . The product was obtained in 72% yield and had a ¹H NMR spectrum identical with that of MMBN- d_2 , except for two broad singlets integrating to one proton each, at δ 4.73 and 4.86.

Methoxy-2-methylenebenznorbornene (MeOMBN), A 1:0.7 mixture of 6- and 7-methoxybenznorbornen-2-one⁴ (620 mg, 3.3 mmol), methyltriphenylphosphonium iodide (2.02 g, 5 mmol), and potassium *tert*-butoxide (0.560 g, 5 mmol) was refluxed in THF (20 mL) under nitrogen for 18 h. The mixture was cooled, poured into water, and extracted with hexane. Workup as for MMBN- d_2 provided a 1:0.7 mixture of the 6- and 7-methoxy-substituted olefins (490 mg, 83%). The methoxy peaks of the two isomers were resolved by addition of europium shift reagent but the assignment of which isomer is in excess cannot be made.

The spectral data of the mixture follow: IR (neat) 3.37, 6.02, 6.22, 6.31, 6.80, 7.02, 7.77, 7.86, 8.02, 8.16, 8.93, 9.35, 9.75, and 11.4 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.03 (d, J = 8 Hz, aryl, 1 H), 6.77 (d, J = 3 Hz, aryl, 1 H), 6.54 (dd, J = 8 and 3 Hz, aryl, 1 H), 5.04 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), 4.67 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), 3.71 (s, methoxy, 3 H), 3.62 (bs, H₁), 3.22-3.42 (m, H₄), 2.50 (dm, J = 15 Hz, H_{3ex}), and 1.67-2.04 (m, 3 H); mass spectrum *m/e* 186 (molecular and base ions).

An analytically pure sample of the mixture of isomers was prepared by gas chromatography on column 1 at 230 °C.

Anal. $(C_{13}H_{14}O) C, H$.

Methoxy-endo-2-methylbenznorbornene, Methoxy-2-methylenebenznorbornene (30 mg) and 10% palladium on charcoal (10 mg) were reacted in ethyl acetate (2 mL) under hydrogen (3.6 atm) in a Parr hydrogenator. Filtration and evaporation of the solvent gave an oil (30 mg) with a 10% impurity. The product was purified by gas chromatography on column I at 230 °C and gave a mixture of the 6- and 7-methoxy derivatives.

The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.35, 6.23, 6.30, 6.78, 7.45, 7.86, 8.00, 8.89, 9.32, 9.68, 12.2, and 13.65 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.01 (d, J = 8 Hz, aryl, 1 H), 6.75 (d, J = 3 Hz, aryl, 1 H), 6.57 (dd, J = 8 and 3 Hz, aryl, 1 H), 3.73 (s, methoxy, 3 H), 3.15 (bs, bridgehead, 1 H), 3.00 (bs, bridgehead, 1 H), 2.15–2.45 (m, H_{2ex}), 2.08 (dt, J = 4 and 10 Hz, H_{3ex}) 1.53–1.87 (m, bridge methylene, 2 H), and 0.55 (d over m, J = 7 Hz, H_{3en} and methyl); mass spectrum *m/e* 188 (molecular ion).

Calcd for C₁₃H₁₆O: m/e 188.120. Found: m/e 188.120.

Trifluoromethyl-2-methylenebenznorbornene (CF₃MBN). A mixture of 6- and 7-trifluoromethylbenznorbornen-2-one⁴ (430 mg, 1.9 mmol), methyltriphenylphosphonium iodide (2.02 g, 5 mmol), and potassium *tert*-butoxide was refluxed in THF (20 mL) under nitrogen for 18 h. Workup as for MBN- d_2 gave a 1:1 mixture of the 6- and 7-trifluoromethyl-substituted olefins (200 mg, 46%). The isomer ratios were determined by ¹³C NMR but the assignment of which isomer is in excess cannot be made. An anlytically pure sample of the mixture of isomers was prepared by VPC on column G.

The spectral data for the 1:1 mixture follow; IR (neat) 3.38, 6.01, 7.38, 7.52, 7.83, 8.85, 10.05, 11.45, and 12.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.18–7.50 (m, aryl, 3 H), 5.12 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), 4.70 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), 3.69 (bs, H₁), 3.36–3.48 (m, H₄), 2.53 (dm, J = 15 Hz, H_{3ex}), and 1.69–2.06 (m, 3 H); mass spectrum m/e 224 (molecular ion) and 209 (base ion).

Anal. (C13H11F3) C, H, F.

Trifluoromethyl-*endo***-2-***methylbenznorbornene*, CF₃MBN (10 mg), 10% palladium on charcoal (5 mg), and ethyl acetate (2 mL) were placed in the reaction flask of a (Brown)² hydrogenator. The apparatus was flushed with nitrogen and 1 M sodium borohydride (30 mL) was injected into the acetic acid flask. After filtration of the catalyst, the solvent was filtered through alumina and evaporated to give 10 mg of an oil. Purification by gas chromatography on column I at 200 °C gave the mixture of isomers.

The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.35, 6.25, 6.30, 6.79, 7.45, 9.13, 10.85, and 12.2 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.16–7.48 (m, aryl, 3 H), 2.23–2.37 (bs, bridgehead, 1 H), 2.09–2.23 (m, bridgehead, 1 H), 2.03–2.56 (m, H_{2ex}), 2.19 (dt, *J* = 4 and 10 Hz, H_{3ex}), 1.63–1.94 (m, bridge methylene, 2 H), and 0.43–0.70 (d over m, *J* = 7 Hz, H_{3en} and methyl).

Caled for C13H13F3: m/e 226.098. Found: m/e 226.099.

Photoreaction of MBN in Methanol. A solution of MBN (1.9×10^{-2} M) in methanol (100 mL) with 1 N H₂SO₄ (100 µL) was degassed for 30 min with argon and irradiated for 3 h at 254 nm in a photolysis well. The solution was neutralized with sodium bicarbonate and evaporated in vacuo. The resultant oil was taken up in chloroform and dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate and the solvent was reduced under vacuum. Separation by gas chromatography on column B gave three photoproducts.

endo-2-Methoxymethylbenznorbornene (1). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.35, 3.45, 6.84, 6.91, 8.50, 8.76, 8.87, 9.10, 10.7, and 13.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDC 1₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.0–7.25 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ 3.18 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 2.35–2.90 (m, H_{2ex}, H₈, and H₉), δ_4 3.20–3.32 (m), δ_1 3.30-3.43 (m), δ_{3ex} 2.05 (ddd, $J_{3ex3en} = 12$, J_{3ex2ex}

= 9, J_{3ex4} = 4.5 Hz), δ_{7en} 1.82 (dm, J_{7en7ex} = 9, J_{7en3en} = 2.5, J_{7en1} = J_{7en4} = 1.6 Hz), δ_{7ex} 1.62 (dt, J_{7ex7en} = 9, J_{7ex1} = J_{7ex4} = 1.6 Hz), δ_{3en} 0.59 (ddd, J_{3en3ex} = 12, J_{3en2ex} = 4, J_{3en7en} = 2.5 Hz); mass spectrum m/e 188 (molecular ion) and 116 (base ion).

Anal. (C13H16O) C, H.

This product was independently synthesized by hydroboration of MBN and methylation of the resultant alcohol. Photolysis of MBN- d_2 yields 1 lacking two protons from the three-proton multiplet at δ 2.58–2.75 (H_{2ex}, H₈, H₉). Since the couplings of 2-exo to 3-exo and 3-endo can still be seen, it is the methoxymethylene (H₈, H₉) group which is deuterated. Likewise, photolysis of MBN in CH₃OD yields 1 for which H_{2ex} is now missing.

1-Methoxybenzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (2). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.40, 6.80, 6.87, 7.56, 7.84, 8.18, 8.51, 8.79, 8.84, 9.22, 9.30, 9.76, 10.4, and 13.25 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.1–7.35 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ 3.33 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ_5 3.20–3.40 (m), δ_{8en} 2.48–2.70 (m), δ_{2ex} 1.90 (dt, $J_{2ex2en} = J_{2ex3en} = 12, J_{2ex3ex} = 5.5$ Hz), δ_{8ex} 1.57 (d, $J_{8ex8en} = 10$ Hz), δ 1.43–1.75 (m, 4 H), δ_{3en} 0.48–1.00 (m); mass spectrum m/e 188 (molecular ion), 159 (base ion).

Anal. (C13H16O) C, H.

This product was independently synthesized by methylation of benzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-en-1-ol.²⁷ Photolysis of MBN- d_2 yields **2** in which the two-proton multiplet (H_{2ex} and H_{2en}) at δ 1.68–2.03 is absent. Likewise, photolysis of MBN in CH₃OD yields **2** in which the four-proton multiplet (H_{3ex}, H_{4en}, H_{4ex}, and H_{8ex}) at δ 1.22–1.50 has been reduced to a three-proton multiplet and the doublet of triplets at δ_{2ex} 1.86 (J_{3ex2ex} = 5.5, J_{2ex2en} = J_{2ex3en} = 12 Hz) has become a triplet.

1-Allyl-3-methoxyindan (3). The spectral data of the trans isomer follow: IR (neat) 3.40, 6.11, 6.81, 6.90, 7.01, 7.46, 8.42, 9.06, 9.25, 10.15, 11.0 and 13.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.28–7.64 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ_1 5.75–6.16 (m, $J_{12} = 17.6$, $J_{13} = 9.9$, $J_{17} = 7.4$, $J_{16} = 6.5$ Hz), δ_2 5.18 (dm, $J_{21} = 17.6$, $J_{23} = 2.2$, $J_{26} = J_{27} \approx 1.5$ Hz), δ_3 5.15 (dm, $J_{31} = 9.9$, $J_{32} = 2.2$, $J_{36} = J_{37} \approx 1.5$ Hz), δ_4 4.86 (dd, $J_{49} = 6.2$, $J_{48} = 3.0$ Hz), $\delta_5 \approx 3.4$ (obscured by methoxy), δ 3.42 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ_6 (pm, $J_{67} = 14.2$, $J_{61} = 6.5$, $J_{65} = 5.5$, $J_{63} = J_{62} \approx 1.5$ Hz), δ_7 2.22 (bm), δ_8 2.26 (ddd, $J_{89} = 14$, $J_{85} = 7.5$, $J_{84} = 3.0$ Hz); δ_9 2.00 (5-line pattern, $J_{98} = 14$, $J_{95} = 7.0$, $J_{94} = 6.2$ Hz); mass spectrum *m*/*e* 188 (molecular ion) and 115 (base ion).

Anal. (C13H16O) C, H.

This product was independently synthesized by alkylation of indenyllithium with allyl bromide, followed by acid-catalyzed addition of methanol. Photolysis of MBN- d_2 yields **3** in which the signals due to H₂ (5.18 δ) and H₃ (5.15 δ) are absent. Photolysis of MBN in CH₃OD yields **3** in which the doublet of doublets (δ_4 4.86) is absent.

Photoreaction of MBN in Acetic Acid–Dioxane. A solution of MBN $(2 \times 10^{-2} \text{ M})$ in 5% acetic acid–dioxane (100 mL) was degassed for 30 min with argon and irradiated for 2.5 h at 254 nm in a photolysis well. The solution was evaporated in vacuo to 5 mL, taken up in water (40 mL), and extracted with ether (2 × 30 mL). The extracts were washed with saturated sodium bicarbonate and brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated in vacuo to g we an oil. Molecular distillation gave a 65% isolated yield of 4. When a solution of MBN (1.3×10^{-2} M) with hydrochloric acid (2.4×10^{-2} N) in 5% acetic acid–dioxane (100 mL) was irradiated (30-min degassing, 1.75-h photolysis), identical workup and separation on column B gave 4–7.

Benznorbornen-*endo*-2-ylmethyl Chloride (5). The spectral data follow: 1R (neat) 3.37, 3.85, 3.90, 3.95, 7.69, 7.83, 8.04, 8.74, 8.84, 9.92, 13.3, 13.9, and 14.21 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.0-7.29 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ_1 3.35-3.46 (m), δ_4 3.20-3.34 (m), δ_2 .39-3.12 (m, H_{2ex}, H₈, and H₉), δ_{3ex} 2.10 (dd, $J_{3ex3en} = 12$, $J_{3ex2ex} = 9.5$, $J_{3ex4} = 4.5$ Hz), δ_{7en} 1.84 (dm, $J_{7en7ex} = 9$ Hz), δ_{7ex} 1.62 (dm, $J_{7ex7en} = 9$ Hz), δ_{3en} 0.60 (ddd, $J_{3en3ex} = 12$, $J_{3en2ex} = 4$, $J_{3en7en} = 2.5$ Hz); mass spectrum *m*/*e* 192 (molecular ion, M + 2 is one-third as intense) and 116 (base ion).

Anal. (C₁₂H₁₃Cl) C, H, Cl.

This product was independently synthesized by chlorination of *endo*-benznorbornen-2-ylmethanol with thionyl chloride.

Benznorbornen-*endo*-2-ylmethyl Acetate (4). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.36, 5.77, 6.85, 6.90, 7.27, 7.40, 7.90, 8.15, 9.28 and 13.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.00–7.25 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ_8 3.63 (dd, $J_{89} = 11$, $J_{82ex} = 7$ Hz), δ 3.23–3.39 (m, H₁ and H₄), δ_9 3.15 (dd, $J_{98} = 11$, $J_{92ex} = 9$ Hz), δ_{2ex} 2.40–2.77 (m), δ_{3ex} 2.09 (ddd,

 $J_{3ex3en} = 12$, $J_{3ex2ex} = 9$, $J_{3ex4} = 4.5$ Hz), δ 2.01 (s, methyl, 3 H), δ_{7en} 1.85 (dm, $J_{7en7ex} = 9$ Hz), δ_{7ex} 1.63 (dm, $J_{7exen} = 9$ Hz), δ_{3en} 0.68 (ddd, $J_{3en3ex} = 12$, $J_{3en2ex} = 4$, $J_{3en7en} = 2.5$ Hz); mass spectrum *m/e* 216 (molecular ion) and 116 (base ion).

Anal. $(C_{14}H_{16}O_2) C, H.$

This product was independently synthesized by acetylation of *endo*-benznorbornen-2-ylmethanol with acetic acid and acetic anhydride.

1-(Benznorbornen-endo-2-ylmethoxy)-2-(2-chlorethoxy)ethane (6). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.43, 6.84, 6.88, 7.44, 7.78, 9.0, and 13.3 μ : ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.05-7.26 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ 3.55-3.85 (m, side-chain methylene, 8 H), δ_4 3.20-3.33 (m), δ_1 3.33-3.45 (m), δ 2.40-3.01 (m, H_{2ex} , H₈, and H₉), δ_{3ex} 2.04 (m, $J_{3ex2ex} = 9$ Hz, the other coupling constants are not discernible owing to poor signal to noise), δ_{7en} 1.83 (dm, $J_{7en7ex} = 9$ Hz), δ_{7ex} 1.63 (dm, $J_{7en7ex} = 9$ Hz), δ_{3en} 0.58 (dm, $J_{3en3ex} = 12$ Hz); mass spectrum *m*/*e* 280 (molecular ion, M + 2 is one-third as intense) and 84 (base ion).

Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁ClO₂: *m/e* 280.122. Found: *m/e* 280.122.

1-(2-(2-Chloroethoxy)ethoxy)benzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (7). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.40, 6.81, 6.89, 7.58, 7.76, 7.85, 8.21, 8.95, 9.30, 9.90, and 13.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.05–7.35 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ 3.52–3.93 (m, side-chain methylene, 8 H), δ 5 3.15–3.34 (m), δ_{8en} 2.41–2.65 (m), δ_{2ex} 1.87 (dt, J_{2ex3ex} = 5.5, $J_{2ex2en} = J_{2ex3en} = 12$ Hz), δ 1.35–1.78 (m, H_{2en}, H_{4ex}, and H_{4en}), δ_{8ex} 1.57 (d, $J_{8ex8en} = 10$ Hz), δ_{3en} 0.44–1.05 (m); mass spectrum m/e 280 (molecular ion, M + 2 is one-third as intense) and 84 (base ion).

Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁ClO₂: m/e 280.122. Found: m/e 280.121.

Photoreaction of IPBN in Hexane. A solution of IPBN (138 mg, 7.5×10^{-3} M) in hexane (100 mL) was degassed with argon and irradiated for 90 min at 254 nm in a photolysis well. Evaporation and gas chromatography on column G afforded 10. When *exo*-2-chlorobenznorbornene (which photolyzes to give HCl) was present, 8 and 9 could also be isolated.

1-Isopropenylbenznorbornene (8). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.40, 6.09, 6.80, 6.88, 7.31, 7.90, 8.88, 8.97, 9.91, 11.25, and 13.4 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.17–7.33 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ 5.17 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), δ 5.06 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), δ 4.33–3.45 (m), δ 1.90 (s, methyl, 3 H), δ 1.85–2.10 (m, H_{7en}, H_{2ex}, and H_{3ex}), δ_{7ex} 1.49 (d, $J_{7ex7en} = 9$ Hz), and δ 1.23 (dm, J = 9 Hz, H_{2en} and H_{3en}); mass spectrum *n*/*e* 184 (molecular ion) and 156 (base ion).

Anal. (C14H16) C, H.

This product was independently synthesized by hydrogenation of methyl benznorborna-2,5-diene-1-carboxylate, reaction with methylmagnesium iodide, and dehydration with phosphorus oxychloride in pyridine.

endo-2-Isopropenylbenznorbornene (9). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.39, 6.09, 6.86, 6.90, 7.35, 7.88, 8.71, 8.86, 8.95, 9.91, 11.35, and 13.4 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.00-7.26 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ 4.47 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), δ 4.02 (bs, vinyl, 1 H), δ 3.27-3.45 (m, H₁ and H₄), δ_{2ex} 2.77-3.06 (m), δ_{3ex} 2.08 (ddd, $J_{3ex3en} = 12$, $J_{3ex2ex} = 9$, $J_{3ex4} = 4.5$ Hz), δ_{7en} 1.87 (dm, $J_{7en7ex} = 9$ Hz), δ_{7ex} 1.68 (dm, half of doublet is obscured), δ 1.61 (s, methyl, 3 H), δ_{3en} 1.20 (ddd, $J_{3ex3en} = 12$, $J_{3en2ex} = 4.5$, $J_{3en7en} = 2$ Hz); mass spectrum m/e 184 (molecular ion) and 116 (base ion).

Calcd for C14H16: m/e 184.125. Found: m/e 184.125.

This product was independently synthesized by reaction of benznorbornen-2-one with ethylenetriphenylphosphorane followed by hydroboration, oxidation with chromium trioxide in water, and reaction with methylenetriphenylphosphorane.

1-Isopropylidene-3-vinylindan (10). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.44, 6.10, 6.27, 6.85, 6.89, 7.36, 9.25, 10.15, 11.0, 13.25, and 13.65 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.52–7.68 (m, aromatic, 1 H), δ 7.12–7.36 (m, aromatic, 3 H), δ ₃ 5.90 (ddd, $J_{32} = 17, J_{31} = 10, J_{34} = 8$ Hz), δ ₂ 5.17 (dd, $J_{23} = 17, J_{21} = 2$ Hz), δ ₁ 5.08 (dd, $J_{12} = 2, J_{13} = 10$ Hz), δ ₄ 3.79 (dt, $J_{43} = J_{45} = 8, J_{46} = 6$ Hz), δ ₅ 3.06 (ddm, $J_{54} = 8, J_{56} = 16$ Hz), δ ₆ 2.52 (ddm, $J_{65} = 16, J_{64} = 6$ Hz), δ 2.09 (s, methyl, 3 H), δ 1.90 (s, methyl, 3 H); mass spectrum *m/e* 184 (molecular ion) and 43 (base ion).

Calcd for C14H16: m/e 184.125. Found: 184.123.

Photoreaction of IPBN in Methanol. A solution of IPBN (200 mg, 1.1×10^{-2} M) with sulfiric acid (5×10^{-4} N) in methanol (100 mL) was degassed with argon and irradiated for 45 min at 254 nm in a photolysis well. The reaction mixture was reduced in vacuo to 10 mL and washed with water. The organics were extracted with cyclohexane.

The solvent was evaporated under vacuum and the major photoproduct was purified on column G.

2-(Benznorbornen-*endo***-2-y**]**-2-methoxypropane** (11). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.40, 6.84, 6.90, 7.29, 7.39, 7.86, 8.70, 8.89, 9.13, 9.31, 9.42, 9.53, 9.91, 13.3, 13.55, and 14.2μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 6.9–7.2 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ 3.15–3.35 (m, H₁ and H₄), δ 2.96 (s, methoxy, 3 H), $\delta_{2ex} 2.27$ –2.58 (m), $\delta_{3ex} 1.95$ (ddd, $J_{3ex3en} = 12$, $J_{3ex2ex} = 10$, $J_{3ex4} = 4.5$ Hz), δ 1.52–1.8 (m, H_{7ex} and H_{7en}), δ 0.78 (s, methyl, 3 H), δ 0.56 (s, methyl, 3 H), H_{3en} is hidden under methyl group; mass spectrum *m/e* 216 (molecular ion) and 58 (base ion).

Anal. (C15H20O) C, H.

Photoreaction of 1-Methoxymethyl-2-methylenebenznorbornene (MMBN), A solution of MMBN (150 mg, 7.5×10^{-3} M) and sulfuric acid (10^{-3} N) in methanol was degassed with argon and irradiated for 1 h at 254 nm in a photolysis well. The acid was neutralized with solid sodium bicarbonate and the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. Separation on column G at 185 °C gave 12, 13, and 14.

endo-2,1-Bis(methyoxymethyl)benznorbornene (12). The spectral data follow: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 6.98-7.15 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ_{10} 4.05 (d, $J_{10.11}$ = 10 Hz), δ_{11} 3.90 (d, $J_{11,10}$ = 10 Hz), δ 3.41 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ_4 3.22 (bs), δ 3.13 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 2.40-2.91 (m, H_{2ex}, H₈, and H₉), δ_{3ex} 2.22 (ddd, J_{3ex3en} = 11, J_{3ex2ex} = 10, J_{3ex4} = 4 Hz), δ 1.66-1.96 (m, H_{7ex} and H_{7en}), δ_{3en} 0.74 (ddd, J_{3en3ex} = 11, J_{3en2ex} = 4, J_{3en7en} = 2 Hz); mass spectrum *m/e* 232 (molecular ion) and 160 (base ion).

Dideuterated 12, formed upon photolysis of MMBN- d_2 , was independently synthesized by hydroboration of MMBN- d_2 followed by methylation of the resultant alcohol.

Anal. (C15H18D2O2) C, H, D.

*exo-3-*Methoxy-*endo-3-*methoxymethylbenzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene (13). The spectral data follow: ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.1 (s, aromatic, 4 H), δ 3.12 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 2.88 (s, methoxy, 3 H), $\delta_{1,5}$ 3.10–3.25 (m, 2 H), δ_{8en} 2.1–2.45 (m), $\delta_{9,10}$ 1.98 (s, 2 H), δ_{8ex} 1.82 (d, J_{8ex8en} = 10 Hz), δ 1.74–2.0 (m, H_{2ex}, H_{2en}, H_{4ex}, and H_{7en}); mass spectrum *m/e* 232 (molecular ion) and 187 (base ion) (Calcd: *m/e* 232.146. Found: *m/e* 232.147); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 20 MHz) δ 36.5 (t), 40.4 (d), 45.9 (t), 48.6 (q), 58.6 (q), 75.3 (t), 76 (s), 122.7 (d), 126.9 (d), and 146.7 (s).

The ¹H NMR of 13- d_2 shows two protons missing from the fourproton multiplet at δ 1.74-2.00. Two consecutive hydrogen shifts would be necessary to put one deuterium on C₂ and one on C₄. Since this is unlikely for a primary photoproduct, it is believed that both deuterium atoms reside on the same carbon.

5-Methoxy-5-methoxymethylbenzo[1.2]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-1-ene (14). The spectral data follow: IR (melt) 3.42, 6.75, 6.90, 8.39, 9.03, 9.22, 9.50, 10.8, 11.9, 13.0, and 13.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 6.9–7.2 (m, aromatic, 4 H), δ_9 3.48 (d, $J_{9,10} = 11$ Hz), δ 3.32 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ_{10} 3.13 (d, $J_{10,9} = 11$ Hz), δ 2.9–3.2 (m, H7, H3ex, and H3en), δ_4 2.50 (m), δ_{8ex} 2.27 (ddd, $J_{8ex8en} = 11$ $J_{8ex4} = 5$, $J_{8ex7} = 4$ Hz), δ_{6ex} 2.10 (dd, $J_{6ex6en} = 14$, $J_{6ex7} = 7$ Hz), δ_{8en} 1.76 (bd, $J_{8en8ex} = 11$ Hz), δ_{6en} 1.51 (dd, $J_{6en6ex} = 14$, $J_{6en8en} = 2$ Hz); mass spectrum *m/e* 232 (weak molecular ion) and 185 (base ion); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 20 MHz) δ 33 (t), 34.5 (t), 41 (d), 42.5 (d), 129 (d), 134 (s), and 145.5 (s).

Anal. (C15H20O2) C, H.

The ¹H NMR of **I4**- d_2 shows that two protons are absent from the three-proton multiplet at δ 2.9-3.2. The signal for H₇ is present and $J_{6ex7} = 7$ Hz can be seen in the H_{6ex} multiplet at δ 2.10.

Photoreaction of MeOMBN. A solution of a mixture of isomers (1:0.7) of MeOMBN (150 mg, 8×10^{-3} M) in methanol with sulfuric acid (10^{-3} N) was degassed with argon and irradiated for 55 min at 254 nm in a photolysis well. Solid sodium bicarbonate was added and the methanol was reduced in vacuo. The photoproducts were purified on column G at 175 °C to give the two isomers of **15** (ratio by VPC was 1:0.7) and **16**.

1,10- and **1,11-Dimethoxybenzo[6.7]bicyclo[3.2.1]oct-6-ene** (**15**). The spectral data follow: IR (neat, major isomer) 3.42, 6.21, 6.30, 6.79, 7.58, 7.80, 7.90, 8.15, 8.26, 8.38, 8.53, 8.92, 9.4, 9.75, and 12.35 μ ; IR (neat, minor isomer) 3.41, 6.23, 6.31, 6.79, 6.90, 7.60, 7.90, 8.01, 8.14, 8.55, 8.69, 8.98, 9.32, 9.80, 10.40, and 12.35 μ ; the ¹H NMR spectra (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) are the same for each isomer (except for slight differences in the aromatic multiplet at δ 6.65–6.85) and show δ 7.04 (d, J = 8.5 Hz, aromatic, 1 H), δ 6.65–6.85 (m, aromatic, 2 H), δ 3.78 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 3.30 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ_5 3.15–3.30 (m),

 $\delta_{8en} 2.43 - 2.67 \text{ (m)}, \delta_{2ex} 1.87 \text{ (dt}, J_{2ex3ex} = 5.5, J_{2ex3en} = J_{2ex2en} = 12$ Hz), δ_{3ex} 1.57 (d, J_{8ex8en} = 10 Hz), δ 1.40–1.75 (m, H_{2en}, H_{3ex}, H_{4en}, and H_{4ex}), δ_{3en} 0.65–1.0 (m); mass spectrum m/e 218 (molecular and base ions).

Major isomer. Anal. (C14H18O2) C, H.

Minor isomer. Anal. $(C_{14}H_{18}O_2)$ C, H.

cis- and trans-5,3- and -6,3-Dimethoxy-1-allylindan (16). The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.41, 6.10, 6.22, 6.31, 6.74, 6.85, 7.00, 7.8, 8.0, 8.13, 8.45, 8.75, 8.92, 9.10, 9.3, 9.73, 10.1, 11.0, 11.85, and 12.3 μ ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 6.7–7.3 (m, aromatic, 3 H), δ_1 5.6-6.1 (m), δ_2 5.08 (dm, J_{12} = 16 Hz), δ_3 5.05 (dm, J_{31} = 10 Hz), δ_4 5.77 (dd, $J_{49} = 6$, $J_{48} = 3.5$ Hz), δ 3.79 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 3.45 and 3.36 (singlets, methoxy peaks of cis and trans isomers (1:3.2), 3 H), δ 2.0-3.0 (m, 5 H) (the ¹H NMR is complicated by the presence of an impurity); mass spectrum m/e 218 (molecular and base ions). Anal. (C14H18O2) C, H.

Photoreaction of CF3MBN, A solution of CF3MBN (22 mg, 1.3 \times 10⁻³ N) and sulfuric acid (10⁻³ N) in methanol (75 mL) was degassed with argon and irradiated for 60 min at 254 nm in a photolysis well. Solid sodium bicarbonate was added and the solvent was evaporated in vacuo. The remaining oil was taken up in pentane, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, concentrated, and purified on column G at 150 °C.

6- and 7-Trifluoromethyl-endo-2-methoxymethylbenznorbornene (17), The spectral data follow: IR (neat) 3.37, 3.46, 6.17, 6.85, 6.98, 7.39, 7.57, 7.75, 7.85, 8.6, 8.9, 9.24, 9.30, 9.48, 10.5, 11.2, and 11.95 μ; ¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 90 MHz) δ 7.29–7.49 (m, aromatic, 3 H), δ 3.48 (bs, H₁ or H₄), δ 3.36 (bs, H₁ or H₄), δ 3.22 (s, methoxy, 3 H), δ 2.33-3.0 (m, H_{2ex}, H₁₀, and H₁₁), δ_{3ex} 2.13 (ddd, $J_{3ex3en} = 12$, J_{3ex2ex} = 9, J_{3ex4} = 4.5 Hz), δ_{9en} 1.78 (dm, J_{9en9ex} = 9 Hz), δ_{9ex} 1.67 (bd, $J_{9ex9en} = 9$ Hz), $\delta_{3en} 0.63$ (dm, $J_{3en3ex} = 12$ Hz, width of multiplet is 7 Hz); mass spectrum *m/e* 256 (molecular ion) and 184 (base ion).

Calcd for C14H15F3O: m/e 256.107. Found: m/e 256.108.

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