

Figure 1. $\Delta \pi^*$ ($\pi^*_{polar solute} - \pi^*_{model solute}$) vs. the coefficient *s*, where π^* (solutes) = -0.0122 - 0.2031*s*. The points represent (1) Et₃N ($\pi^* = 0.14$)/Et₃CH (-0.08);⁷ (2) anisole (0.73)/toluene (0.54); (3) Bu₂O (0.24)/octane (-0.08);⁷ (4) pyridine (0.87)/benzene (0.59); (5) Et₂O (0.27)/butane (-0.08);⁷ (6) nitrobenzene (1.01)/toluene (0.54); (7) benzene (0.59)/cyclohexane (0.00); (8) 5-nonanone (0.58)⁷/nonane (-0.08);⁷ (9) butanone (0.67)/butane (-0.08);⁷ (10) cyclohexanone (0.67)/cyclohexane (0.00); (11) acetone (0.72)/propane (-0.08).⁷

and ΔH_v (or ΔH_{subl}) of the solutes need not be known. We have correlated ΔH_p values (eq 2, typical uncertainty ±0.1 kcal/mol) in 14 solvents (1,2-dichloroethane, carbon tetrachloride, *tert*-butyl alcohol, methanol, DMF, Me₂SO, triethylamine, benzene, toluene, mesitylene, *n*-butyl ether, ethyl acetate, cyclohexane, and heptane) for a variety of ethers, ketones, and other dipolar and polarizable solutes, with π^* of the solvents (kcal/mol):

 $\Delta H_{\rm p}(\text{anisole vs. toluene}) = -1.332 - 1.160\pi^*, r = 0.925, \text{ sd} = 0.109$

$$\Delta H_{\rm p}({\rm Et_3N} \text{ vs. Et_3CH}) = 0.115 - 1.130\pi^*, r = 0.971, \text{ sd} = 0.086$$

 $\Delta H_{\rm p}({\rm Bu}_2{\rm O} \text{ vs. octane}) = -0.781 - 1.202\pi^*, r = 0.821, \text{ sd} = 0.199$

$$\Delta H_{\rm p}({\rm pyridine \ vs. \ benzene}) = -0.580 - 1.485\pi^*, r = 0.952, {\rm sd} = 0.124$$

 $\Delta H_{\rm p}({\rm Et_2O} \text{ vs. butane}) = -0.912 - 1.813\pi^*, r = 0.895, \text{ sd} = 0.223$

 $\Delta H_{\rm p}({\rm nitrobenzene vs. toluene}) = -2.470 - 2.174\pi^*, r = 0.899, {\rm sd} = 0.273$

 $\Delta H_{\rm p}$ (benzene vs. c-C₆H₁₂) = 0.514 - 2.718 π^*, r =

0.962, sd = 0.174 $\Delta H_{\rm p}(5\text{-nonanone vs. nonane}) = -1.113 - 3.378\pi^*$, r=0.061, sd = 0.280

$$\Delta H$$
 (cyclobevanone vs. c. (.H.,) = -1.544 - 3.756 π^* r =

$$\Delta H_{\rm p}({\rm butanone\ vs.\ butane}) = -1.380 - 3.895\pi^*, r = 0.900, sd = 0.383$$

 $\Delta H_{\rm p}(\text{acetone vs. propane}) = 1.386 - 4.030\pi^*, r = 0.959, \text{ sd} = 0.308$

The numerical coefficient of π^* (solvents) (s) tends to increase

with the "polarity" of the solute, but the most dipolar solute, nitrobenzene (greatest μ), and the least dipolar, benzene, have similar values of s (Figure 1). The correlation with s becomes very good if the measure of "polarity" is taken to be $\Delta \pi^*$, where

$$\Delta \pi^* = \pi^* (\text{polar solute}) - \pi^* (\text{model solute})$$
(4)

This is appropriate because the model compounds are not equally "nonpolar" (noninteractive).

If the s coefficients for the above relationships are correlated with $\Delta \pi^*$, the relationship is

$$\Delta \pi^* (\text{solutes}) = -0.0122 - 0.2031s, \ r = 0.978, \\ \text{sd} = 0.035, \ n = 11 \ (5)$$

For a polar solute in a series of solvents the second term in eq 3, $[\Delta H_s(\text{polar solute}) - \Delta H_s(\text{model solute})]_{\text{ref solvent}}$, is a constant, so

$$[\Delta H_{\rm s}(\text{polar solute}) - \Delta H_{\rm s}(\text{model solute})]_{\rm polar solvent} = \Delta H_{\rm p} - k$$
(6)

Correlation of the left-hand side of eq 6 with $\pi^*($ solvents) yields a different intercept than does eq 3, but the value of s is the same. One can therefore determine ΔH_s of a solid polar compound and the model compound in a series of solvents, correlate the difference in ΔH_s with the π^* values of the solvents, and obtain the value of s. Equation 5 provides the value of $\Delta \pi^*($ solutes) corresponding with that value of s. If a value of π^* of the (usually hydrocarbon) model is known or can be reasonably estimated, π^* of the polar solute can be calculated (eq 4).

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Photoaffinity Labeling of Bacteriorhodopsin with 3-([1-¹⁴C]Diazoacetoxy)-*trans*-retinal

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Purple membrane¹ is a light-energy transducer that uses bacteriorhodopsin to pump protons across the cell membrane² to generate ATP. Bacteriorhodopsin folds into seven α -helical segments spanning the cell membrane.³ The primary sequence of the apoprotein (opsin)^{4,5} and the attachment site of the chromophore (retinal) to lysine-216⁶⁻⁸ through a protonated Schiff base linkage^{9,10} have been established.

Bacteriorhodopson (bR) has two modifications:² (i) the light-adapted form (bR^{LA}), λ_{max} 570 nm, containing *trans*-retinal, which is responsible for the proton pump inducing photocycle; and

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⁽⁷⁾ Estimated values of π^* . All alkanes have been assigned the value (-0.08) found experimentally for hexane and heptane.² π^* for ketones² decreases with increasing size and hindrance to the carbonyl group. A value slightly smaller than that for 3-heptanone (0.59) has been estimated for 5-nonanone (0.58).

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(ii) the dark-adapted form (bR^{DA}), λ_{max} 560 nm, consisting of a 1:1 mixture of *trans*- and 13-*cis*-retinals,¹¹ which is not involved in the proton pumping.¹² We have recently secured the first experimental evidence that the 13-trans/cis isomerization in bRLA is probably essential for proton translocation.¹³ An external point charge model^{14,15} was proposed to account for the purple color of bR; furthermore, a working model for the tertiary structure of bR has been forwarded.¹⁶ The present studies were initiated to assist in clarifying the bR structure and eventually the mechanism of proton pumping.

Chromophore. Studies on 3-(diazoacetoxy)-9-cis-retinal and bovine opsin had shown that the diazoacetate group, which absorbs at 245 nm, is well suited for photoaffinity labeling.¹⁷ The trans isomer 1 was therefore synthesized by a route similar to that



previously employed¹⁷ and purified by HPLC to give the racemic mixture at C-3: UV (n-hexane) 360 nm (e 49000) and 245 nm (e 18000, diazoacetoxy); FTIR (film) 2140 (diazo), 1690 (ester), and 1658 cm⁻¹ (aldehyde); ¹H NMR spectrum¹⁸ ascertained trans geometry of the polyene chain and also showed a signal at 4.74 ppm due to the diazoacetoxy methine proton.

3-([1-14C]Diazoacetoxy)-trans-retinal 1 was prepared by reaction of [1-14C]glyoxylic acid tosylhydrazone19 with 3hydroxy-trans-retinal.²⁰ After purification by flash column chromatography and HPLC (LiChrosorb Si 60, 10 × 250 mm, 12% ethyl acetate/n-hexane) the compound had a specific activity of 1.4 μ Ci/ μ M. The structural integrity of the radioactive material was checked by HPLC (μ -Porasil, 3.9 × 300 mm, 20% ether/nhexane), which showed the activity to be exactly halved when coinjected with an equal amount of cold material.

Formation of Light-Adapted and Dark-Adapted Pigments. 3-(Diazoacetoxy)-bR was prepared by addition of 1 OD^{21} of 1 (cold) in 10 μ L of EtOH to a suspension of 1 OD²¹ of bleached purple membrane²² in 1 mL of 10 mM Hepes buffer, pH 7.0, and

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(21) 1 OD of retinal 1 is the amount of retinal giving OD = 1 at 360 nm when dissolved in 1 mL of hexane and measured in a 1-cm pathlength cell; 1 OD of bleached membrane/mL is the amount of opsin adjusted to regenerate OD = 1 at 570 nm (bR^{LA}) in a 1-cm pathlength cell.



Figure 1. FTIR of 3-(diazoacetoxy)bRDA. Insert is difference FTIR after and before 254-nm irradiation. Spectra were measured as a hydrated film of ca. 2 OD of pigment deposited on an IRTRAN plate (see ref 10b); the photoaffinity label was directly activated on the plate.

stirring in the dark for 1-2 h. The light-adapted species thus formed¹² absorbed at 532 nm;²³ longer periods of incubation, e.g., 15 h,²⁴ resulted in conversion to the dark-adapted bR absorbing at 525 nm,²⁵ which had a shoulder due to contamination around 440 nm. The slight excess of chromophore and the contaminant were removed by treatment with bovine serum albumin²⁶ to give the purified pigment, which when submitted to the CH₂Cl₂ procedure²⁷ showed only the presence of trans and 13-cis chromophores, 3:1 ratio. The radioactive (diazoacetoxy)-bR purified similarly showed a count of 43 000 cpm/OD.

The bR^{DA} could be light adapted to 532 nm bR^{LA} by a 10-min irradiation at room temperature with a 1000-W light of >530 nm; this in turn was dark adapted to the 525-nm species after standing 6 h in the dark. The 532-nm bR^{LA} was stable to irradiation with light of >530 nm; however, irradiation in the presence of NH₂OH led to formation of retinal oxime and bleaching of pigment. These properties as well as the interconversion of light- and dark-adapted species are very similar to natural bR. The 532-nm bR^{LA} showed a biphasic CD at ca. 505 nm (+)/590 nm (-) characteristics of the trimeric structure of bR.²⁸ Addition of *trans*-retinal did not displace the 3-(diazoacetoxy)retinal from the binding site.

The light-adapted pigment was incorporated into soybean phospholipid vesicles and proton translocation was assayed according to published methods.²⁹ Irradiation at >530 nm resulted in alkalinization of the medium, indicating proton uptake by the vesicles. The amount of protons pumped was ca. 50% of that of regenerated bR^{LA} assayed under the same conditions. The ability of the retinal analogue to induce light-driven proton translocation provides further support for occupancy of the natural binding site and adequacy of the bR analogue for photoaffinity studies.

The optimal condition to maximize chromophore cross-linking while minimizing pigment destruction was a 4-h irradiation at 4 °C with a 4-W Hg lamp combined with a 254-nm narrow-band interference filter. This led to considerable reduction in CH₂Cl₂ extractable (non-cross-linked) chromophore and only ca. 10%

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(25) Incubation of the 3-(diazoacetoxy)-13-cis-retinal in the dark yields a pigment absorbing at 500 nm.

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The extent of cross-linking, i.e., ca. 25%, was estimated by taking aliquots at suitable intervals during irradiation, denaturing the pigment by heating in SDS for 2-3 min, adding EtOH, and scintillation counting the pellet obtained by centrifugation.³⁰

An advantage of the diazoacetoxy photoaffinity group is that its characteristic IR frequency around 2150 cm⁻¹ is in a region normally transparent in biopolymers. Thus although the diazo band is too weak to be observed in the FTIR of the pigment prior to cross-linking (Figure 1, arrow), the difference spectrum measured after irradiation at 254 nm clearly shows the 2110-cm⁻¹ band due to disappearance of the photoaffinity group (Figure 1, insert).³¹ Studies are in progress to locate the site(s) of labeling in bR.³²

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Evidence for the Necessity of Double Bond (13-Ene) **Isomerization in the Proton Pumping of Bacteriorhodopsin**

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Bacteriorhodopsin (bR), the pigment of purple membrane (PM), converts solar energy into a proton gradient that is coupled to ATP synthesis.¹ bR consists of a protein (opsin) that binds one retinal molecule at Lys-216² through a protonated Schiff base linkage.^{3,4} There are two modifications for bR,⁵ the light- and dark-adapted forms, bR^{LA} (570 nm) and bR^{DA} (560 nm), the chromophores of which are trans-retinal and 1:1 mixture of transand 13-cis-retinals.⁶ Although both forms undergo a photocycle, only that of bR^{LA} is associated with H⁺ pumping.

Proton translocation during the photocycle is thought to be associated with changes in the protonation state of the Schiff base





^a (i) 4 in LDA/THF -78 °C, 15 min; (ii) 3, -78 °C, 20 min; (iii) 3 equiv of AcOH, -78 °C. ^b (i) MsCl/Et₃N/CH₂Cl₂, 0 °C, 1 h; (ii) flash chromatography. ^c (i) MeLi/Et₂O, -78 °C; (ii) satd aq NH₄Cl, -30 °C \rightarrow 25 °C (30 min); (iii) flash chromatography.

Scheme II



^{*a*} (i) LDA/THF, $-78 \degree C \rightarrow 25 \degree C$ (40 min); (ii) 2 equiv of HMPA, 0 °C; (iii) addition of 3, $-78 \degree C$ (1 h) $\rightarrow 0 \degree C$ (40 min). ^{*b*} (i) Ac₂O/py, 25 °C, 2 h; (ii) *t*-BuOK/THF, 0 °C, 30 min. ^{*c*} (i) DIBAL/Et₂O, -78 °C (1 h) $\rightarrow -40$ °C; (ii) EtOAc, -40 °C, followed by aq (COOH)₂, -40 °C (15 min) $\rightarrow 25$ °C.

linkage as well as retinal geometry. However, the structures of photocycle intermediates, e.g., M_{412} species, and their relation to the mechanism of proton pumping is not clear. Although resonance Raman and FTIR spectroscopy^{3b,8a,b,d} have shown that the M₄₁₂ species is not protonated, results pertaining to the nature of 13-ene in M_{412} are conflicting, i.e., it is a 1:1 mixture of cis/trans,^{6a} 13-trans,^{8b} or mostly 13-cis.^{3b,7,8a,c} Therefore information pertinent to the molecular events involved in the proton pumping was sought by the study of retinals 1 and 2 with fixed 13-trans and 13-cis structures. The bR analogues derived from these retinals both failed to pump protons, thus showing that the 13-ene isomerization appears to be necessary for proton translocation.

The trans-fixed aldehyde 1 was synthesized according to Scheme I. The C_{15} -aldehyde 3 was condensed in aprotic medium with thiovinyl ketone 4 (from 2-(hydroxymethylidene)cyclopentanone⁹ and 2-propanethiol,¹⁰ mild conditions¹¹) to give β -hydroxy ketone 5 as a 55:45 diastereomeric mixture (¹H NMR).¹² Dehydration of 5 with MsCl/NEt₃¹³ provided thiovinyl ketone 6 as the major product: mp 130.5-132.0 °C (hexane); UV (hexane) 386 nm.14

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