

(c 1.14, CHCl₃), in 61% yield. Selective cleavage of the N-t-BOC group in 12 in the presence of the tert-butyl ester was realized in ca. 70% overall yield employing tert-butyldimethylsilyl triflate (TBDMSOTf) in methylene chloride containing 2,6-lutidine followed by cleavage of the resultant N-tert-butyldimethylsilyloxycarbonyl group with potassium carbonate in aqueous methanol-THF(1:1:2).6

Coupling (DCC, HBT, THF) of the (R)- β -tyrosine derivative 13 with amino acid 9 provided the fully protected dipeptide 14,



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 $[\alpha]_{\rm D}$ +27.9° (c 1.88, CHCl₃), in 91% yield. Selective cleavage [(a) TBDMSOTf, CH_2Cl_2 , 2,6-lutidine; (b) K_2CO_3 , H_2O_3 MeOH-THF, 1:1:2]⁶ of the *N*-t-BOC group in 14 afforded in 55% yield dipeptide 2, $[\alpha]_D$ +41.6° (c 2.29, CHCl₃).

Construction of the C(1)-C(11) fragment 3 originated with enantiomerically pure (R)-(-)-15,⁷ $[\alpha]_D$ -60.1° (c 1.38, ether), readily available by resolution of the racemic acid with (-)- α methylbenzylamine in ether. The absolute configuration of 15 was unambiguously established by single-crystal X-ray analysis of the crystalline ammonium salt.

Iodolactonization of (R)-(-)-15 (Scheme I) followed by reduction and protection of the primary hydroxyl provided 16 in 63% overall yield. Conversion of the secondary hydroxyl into a methoxy methyl ether followed by desilylation and oxidation afforded the corresponding aldehyde which was directly treated with 2-propenylmagnesium bromide. Application of an ortho ester Claisen rearrangement to allylic alcohol 17 generated a rearranged ester which was hydrolyzed and transformed into the N-acyloxazolidine 18, $[\alpha]_D$ +45.3° (c 1.08, CHCl₃). Alkylation⁸ of the sodium enolate (NaN(TMS)₂, THF, -78 °C) of 18 with methyl iodide afforded the desired diastereomer in 71% yield. Removal of the chiral auxiliary employing 3.0 equiv of 2.1 N aqueous potassium hydroxide in methanol gave way to the corresponding carboxylic acid which was converted in a straightforward manner into the pyridinethiol ester 19, $[\alpha]_D$ +25.6° (c 1.64, CHCl₃). Condensation⁹ of activated ester 19 with 1.2 equiv of N-TMS-Ala-OTMS¹⁰ in tetrahydrofuran (15 h) provided in 91% yield amide 3, $[\alpha]_D$ -24.5° (c 1.10, CHCl₃), thus completing construction of the C(1)-C(11) fragment of jasplakinolide.

Completion of the total synthesis of jasplakinolide required coupling of dipeptide 2 with the C(1)-C(11) segment 3, which was accomplished with 1.05 equiv of DCC and 1.0 equiv of HBT¹¹ in tetrahydrofuran. The coupled product 4, $[\alpha]_D$ +24.4° (c 1.09, CHCl₃), was obtained in ca. 50% yield. Conversion of 4 into 1 was realized by the following sequence: (1) cleavage (82%) of the tert-butyl ester employing TBDMSOTf (3.0 equiv)/2,6-

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Bis(trimethylstannyl)benzopinacolate-Mediated Intermolecular Free-Radical Carbon-Carbon Bond-Forming Reactions: A New One-Carbon Homologation

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During the course of a total synthesis underway in our laboratories, a need arose for a synthetic method in which a carboncentered free radical would couple with a one-carbon addend.¹ A survey of the literature suggested that few such methods existed, the most promising being an interesting nitrile synthesis recently developed by Stork.² On the basis of the knowledge that free radicals add intramolecularly to oxime ethers,^{3,4} we decided to examine an intermolecular variant of this reaction by using Obenzylformaldoxime as an addend. The preliminary results of this study are outlined herein.

We began by examining the reactions shown below. Thus, treatment of 1 equiv of iodocyclohexane with tri-n-butyltin hydride

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Chart I. Addition of Radicals to O-Benzylformaldoxime^a



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(1.5 equiv), AIBN (0.05 equiv), and O-benzylformaldoxime (10 equiv)⁵ in benzene under a variety of conditions gave the addition product 1 in 25% isolated yield at best. Presumably, reduction of the initially formed radical by tin hydride overwhelmed the desired addition.



In an attempt to eliminate reduction of the initially formed radical, we next examined hexamethylditin as a source of stannyl radicals.7,8 Thus, a benzene solution of iodocyclohexane (1.0 equiv) and hexamethylditin (1.2 equiv) was irradiated through Pyrex until ¹H NMR analysis indicated an absence of starting iodide. Product analysis indicated that cyclohexane carboxaldoxime (2) had been generated, presumably via addition of cyclohexyl radicals to O-benzylformaldoxime followed by frag-

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To avoid problems perhaps due to unwanted photochemistry while retaining the attractive nonreducing aspects of hexaalkylditin chemistry, we next examined a little known thermal source of tin radicals. Neumann and co-workers have provided evidence that bis(trimethylstannyl)benzopinacolate (3) affords trimethyltin radicals upon warming above 60 °C in benzene.¹⁰ Thus, warming a solution of iodocyclohexane (2.5 mmol), O-benzylformaldoxime (2.5 mmol), and 3 (2.5 mmol) in 8 mL of benzene at 75 °C for 4 h followed by an aqueous potassium fluoride workup¹¹ and chromatography over silica gel gave a 76% yield of $1.^{12}$ The possible generality of this new free-radical addition reaction is suggested by the examples provided in Chart I. Chart I shows that iodides, bromides, and selenides can be used as radical precursors.¹³ Primary, secondary, tertiary, and aryl radicals can be used. Complex radicals also participate reasonably well in this reaction. In the case of glucosyl bromide 4 (entry 7) the α -anomer of the C-glycosidic product 5 predomonates.¹⁴ In the case of iodolactone 6 (entry 8), the presumed radical coupling product 7 was obtained in 32% yield along with 8 and 9 when only 1 equiv of O-benzylformaldoxime was used.^{15,16} The formation of 7 was easily suppressed, however, by increasing the concentration of O-benzylformaldoxime relative to 6. Finally, we note that ethyl 2-bromovalerate failed to give any adduct under the conditions described in Chart I, and benzyl bromide gave an 85% yield of 1,1,2-triphenylethanol.

Aside from representing a potentially useful synthetic method, the aforementioned results suggest that 3 might be a useful reagent for the 1:1 coupling of alkyl halides to other addends. In this regard, we have found that warming equimolar amounts of cyclohexyl iodide, ethyl acrylate, and 3 in benzene followed by an aqueous potassium fluoride workup affords ethyl 3-cyclohexylpropanoate in 83% yield. The synthetic and mechanistic implications of these results are under investigation.¹⁷

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Radical Cyclization of Oxime Ethers

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An important feature of the recently developed radical cyclization methods is their tolerance of a high level of functionality in the substrates.¹⁻³ This ability makes such an approach uniquely suited for the conversion of carbohydrates to carbocyclic derivatives, as elegantly demonstrated by Wilcox² and Rajanbabu³ and their co-workers. A carbonyl group, as the natural unsaturation of a sugar derivative, is reputed to be generally ineffective as a radical acceptor;4,5 hence in previous approaches a carbon-carbon double bond was incorporated in the precursor. We report here the ready radical cyclization of oxime ethers, easily accessible derivatives in which the electronic character of the carbonyl group is reversed.6

The general reaction investigated is illustrated in eq 1; variations in chain length and in substitution at the radical center and the



oxime carbon were explored (Table I). With limited exceptions, the o-benzyl oxime ethers were employed, and the radical was generated by tin hydride reduction of a phenyl thionocarbonate in benzene or toluene at reflux.⁷ We encountered difficulties in

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Scheme I



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preparing tertiary phenyl thionocarbonates; hence for those substrates the corresponding bromides were employed instead.

Cyclization of the simplest member of the series (entries 1 and 2, Table I) proceeds in good yield to give comparable amounts of the cis and trans alkoxyaminocyclopentanes; only about 10% of reduction prior to cyclization is observed. With this cyclization as a benchmark, the varying effects of chain length and substitution can be compared. Lengthening the intervening chain increases the proportion of reduction prior to cyclization, as would be expected (entries 3 and 10, 4 and 11, and 5 and 12). For a given chain length, the aldoximes cyclize more readily than the ketoximes (compare entries 2 and 3 and 9 and 10). In contrast, steric hindrance at the radical center improves the ratio of cyclization to reduction (compare entries 2 and 4 and 9 and 1 i). Surprisingly, the ratio of cyclization to reduction does not show a significant dependence on concentration (compare entries 1 and 2, 5 and 6, and 12 and 13).

Reaction of the p-methoxybenzyl radical (entries 5 and 12) under the standard conditions leads to a greater amount of reduction than seen with the less stabilized dialkyl radicals. A significant byproduct arises from trapping of the benzylic radical with the phenoxy moiety, leading to the phenyl ethers 4.



Except for the p-methoxyphenyl substrates, all of the cyclizations show low stereoselectivity, favoring the cis products in the cyclopentane series and the trans products in the cyclohexanes. These preferences are consistent with the chair-like transition state models proposed by Beckwith.⁸ The stereoisomers were assigned from their ¹³C NMR spectra.⁹ The starting materials were obtained and utilized as mixtures of syn and anti oxime isomers. In one experiment (with the methoxime corresponding to the substrate in entry 7), these stereoisomers were separated and subjected separately to the cyclization conditions. However, there

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