661 nm,  $\epsilon$  = 365 M<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\lambda_{max}$  518 nm,  $\epsilon$  = 290 M<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>;  $\lambda_{max}$  415 nm,  $\epsilon$  = 835 M<sup>-1</sup> cm<sup>-1</sup>).<sup>13</sup>

It is of interest to compare the structure of 3 with the analogous W(0) complex  $W(CO)_3(PCy_3)_2$  (5) reported by Kubas and coworkers.<sup>14</sup> Compound 5 is a 16-electron d<sup>6</sup> species that exhibits an agostic interaction between the tungsten center and one of the  $\beta \tilde{C-H}$  bonds of one cyclohexyl ring. We find no evidence for such an interaction in 3, although the structures are otherwise quite similar.<sup>15</sup> This is understandable since the HOMO of 3  $(a_1 \text{ in } C_{4v}, \text{ predominantly } d_{z^2} \text{ in character})$  is singly occupied, and such an interaction would lead to a 19-electron complex.

Preliminary studies of the reactivity of 3 have confirmed the previously reported observations<sup>5</sup> that 3 reacts rapidly with CO to give  $(PCy_3)_2Re_2(CO)_8$  (eq 2) and with tin hydrides to afford the neutral hydride  $(PCy_3)_2Re(CO)_3H$  (6) (eq 3). In contrast to 5, 3 reacts very slowly with  $H_2$  (25 psi, benzene, 25 °C, 8 weeks).<sup>16</sup> The fact that this reaction proceeds so slowly is surprising since the related  $d^7$  species  $Co(CN)_5^{3-17}$  and other transition-metal radicals<sup>18</sup> react rapidly with  $H_2$  via so-called "homolytic" cleavage to afford metal hydrides. In the case of  $Co(CN)_5^{3-}$ , the results of kinetic studies are consistent with a termolecular reaction, requiring two cobalt centers in relatively close proximity.<sup>19</sup> The extremely bulky PCy<sub>3</sub> ligands (cone angle of 170°)<sup>7</sup> may impose a large steric barrier to such a reaction of 3 with  $H_2$ . For the related radical 4, substituted with smaller  $P(i-Pr)_3$  groups (cone angle of 160°),<sup>7</sup> the reaction with H<sub>2</sub> (25 psi, 25 °C) is complete within 3 days.

$$2\operatorname{Re}(\operatorname{CO})_{3}(\operatorname{PCy}_{3})_{2} + 2\operatorname{CO} \rightarrow \operatorname{Re}_{2}(\operatorname{CO})_{8}(\operatorname{PCy}_{3})_{2} \qquad (2)$$

$$2\operatorname{Re}(\operatorname{CO})_{3}(\operatorname{PCy}_{3})_{2} + 2\operatorname{Ph}_{3}\operatorname{SnH} \rightarrow 2\operatorname{Re}(\operatorname{CO})_{3}(\operatorname{PCy}_{3})_{2}H + \operatorname{Ph}_{3}\operatorname{Sn-SnPh}_{3} (3)$$
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The synthetic methodology employed here is potentially general. In particular, the clean synthesis of radicals that are themselves photolabile is possible. We are continuing to investigate the synthesis and reactivity of radicals generated thermally from  ${\bf 2}$ and related precursors.

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## Novel Electron-Transfer Photocyclization Reactions of $\alpha$ -Silyl Amine $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -Unsaturated Ketone and Ester Systems

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Our studies in the area of electron transfer (SET) photochemistry have recently focused on photoaddition reactions between  $\alpha$ -silyl amines and conjugated cyclohexenones.<sup>3</sup> Results from earlier efforts which demonstrate that (1) SET pathways are followed in excited state reactions between tertiary amines and cyclohexenones<sup>4</sup> and (2) photoinduced SET-desilylation sequences serve as selective methods for carbon-radical generation<sup>5</sup> have served to guide these initial studies. We have shown<sup>3</sup> that the tertiary silyl amine 3 photoadds to cyclohexenones 2 to yield adducts 1 and 4 in ratios that are dependent upon the reaction conditions used. In media that favor reaction via contact ion radical pairs (CIRP), TMS-adducts 4 are formed preferentially through sequential SET-proton transfer routes while non-TMS adducts 1 arising via sequential SET-desilylation paths predominate in media that favor solvent separated radical ion pair (SSIRP) formation (Scheme I). In a parallel study,<sup>5</sup> we noted that 9,10-dicyanoanthracene (DCA) can photosensitize additions of 3 to 2, giving non-TMS adducts 1 predominantly by a route involving conjugate addition of an  $\alpha$ -amino radical to the enones.

Thoughts about the synthetic potential of these processes led to an investigation of preparative and mechanistic aspects of  $\alpha$ -silyl aminoalkyl unsaturated ketone and ester photocyclization reactions. We felt that reactions of these systems induced by direct or SET-sensitized irradiation methods could occur via respective anion diradical 5 or radical 6 cyclization modes (Scheme II). Results from this effort, reported below, have demonstrated the mechanistic and synthetic interest of these processes.

Direct irradiation<sup>6</sup> of cyclohexenone derivative 7<sup>7</sup> in MeOH  $(N_2)$  leads to efficient  $(71\%)^6$  production of spirocyclic amine 8. Also, stereoisomeric hydroisoquinolones 10 (40%) and 11 (51%) along with traces of hydroindolone 12 arise from irradiation of 9 under these conditions.<sup>6,7</sup> The product ratio changes in favor of 12 (34% and 10 (27%), 11 (31%)) when air-saturated solutions of 9 are directly irradiated. Photocyclizations of 7 and 9 can be SET sensitized. Thus, irradiation of DCA  $(8 \times 10^{-5} \text{ M})^6$  in a MeOH solution containing 7 gives 8 (78%) while 10 (71%), 11 (13%), and 12 (2%) are produced from DCA-sensitized reaction

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<sup>(7)</sup> Synthetic and structure and stereochemistry determination methods will be discussed in a full paper.

Scheme I



Scheme II



of 9. The relative and absolute photoproduct 10–12 yields from reaction of 9 are dependent upon DCA concentration (for [DCA] =  $1.4 \times 10^{-4}$  and  $2.3 \times 10^{-4}$  M, 10, 11, and 12 yields are 60%, 6% and 5%, and 41%, 3%, and 10%, respectively). Sensitized reaction of 9 in air-saturated MeOH–MeCN solutions gives nearly exclusively 12 (23%) and the formamide 13. Finally efficient production of 10 and 11 occurs when 1,4-dicyanonaphthalene (DCN) is used as sensitizer even when DCN concentrations are high (e.g. for [DCN] =  $4.7 \times 10^{-3}$  M, 10 (71%), 11 (9%), and 12 (5%).

Additional studies have demonstrated how the SET-sensitized methodology is advantageous in promoting photocyclization of acyclic unsaturated ketone and ester systems. Accordingly, direct irradiation of the acyclic enone and acrylate derivatives 14 or 16 failed to induce formation of the piperidines 18 or 20.8 However, DCA-sensitized<sup>6</sup> reactions of 14 and its N-benzyl analogue 15 in 15% MeOH-MeCN occur efficiently (>90%) to produce the corresponding piperidines 18 and 19. The related esters 16 and 17 also undergo DCA-sensitized ([DCA] =  $4 \times 10^{-4}$  M) photocyclization furnishing the piperidines 20 (55%) and 21 (48%) along with the respective pyrrolidines 22 (40%) and 23 (41%).<sup>7</sup> Interestingly, the piperidine/pyrrolidine ratios decrease with increasing DCA concentration or when oxygen is present in the photolysates.9 Furthermore, while DCN-sensitized photocyclization of 17 is low yielding owing to competitive DCN reactions with 17, it produces piperidine 21 (20%) and none of the homologeous pyrrolidine 23.

Mechanistically relevant results have come from further studies. First, DCA-sensitized cyclization of 17 in 15% CH<sub>3</sub>OD-CH<sub>3</sub>CN leads to 21 with a single deuterium incorporated  $\alpha$  to the ester carbonyl.<sup>10</sup> Secondly, GLC and UV monitoring indicates the



Scheme III



DCA is not consumed in the sensitized reactions of enones 14 and 15.

The observations summarized above show that these photocyclization processes serve as novel and efficient methods for N-heterocycle synthesis. The results suggest that the more versatile SET-sensitized processes follow the pathway given in Scheme III. In this route, cyclization of the  $\alpha$ -amino radical 25 occurs to produce  $\alpha$ -keto radical 24. This process is competitive with oxidation of 25  $(E_{1/2(+)} = ca. -1.1 \text{ V})^{11}$  by SET to DCA generating sequentially an iminium ion, a secondary amine, and the pyrrolidine product. The contribution of the latter pathway can be minimized by excluding oxygen, using low DCA concentrations or employing less easily reduced sensitizers like DCN  $(E_{1/2(-)} =$ ca. -1.3 V).<sup>12</sup> The absence of pyrrolidine products in enome 14 and 15 sensitized photocyclization, conducted under conditions equivalent to those used for reaction of 16 and 17, is undoubtedly due to the faster rates of  $\alpha$ -amino radical addition to keto vs ester substituted olefins.<sup>14</sup> Lastly, termination of the cyclization process

<sup>(8)</sup> Direct irradiation of acyclic enone 14 in MeOH leads to cis a is isomerization and solvent addition. The absence of photocyclization in this system suggests that intramolecular SET is non-competitive with other modes of enone excited state decay.

<sup>(9)</sup> When DCA-sensitized photolysis of 17 is conducted on an Ar-purged solution with attention being given to the rigorous exclusion of oxygen, reaction occurs to produce 21 and 23 in respective 67% and 22% yields.

<sup>(10)</sup> In a control reaction, **21** was found not to exchange  $\alpha$ -ester protons for deuterium when stirred in a solution of CH<sub>3</sub>OD for extended time periods. (11) This estimate is based upon the measured oxidation potentials of

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<sup>(13)</sup> Reaction of  $\alpha$ -amino radicals with O<sub>2</sub> can occur by routes involving hydroperoxide formation followed by solvolysis to produce iminium cations or SET ( $E_{1/2(c)}$  for O<sub>2</sub> = ca. -0.6 V) to produce iminium cations directly. Formation of formamide 13 requires the intermediacy of an  $\alpha$ -aminohydroperoxide which undergoes dehydration.

involves SET from the DCA anion radical to the  $\alpha$ -keto radical 24 followed by enolate protonation.



A number of additional features of the reactions described above remain to be explored.<sup>15</sup> Encouragement to continue these efforts derives from the anticipated synthetic potential of these photocyclization processes.

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## Line Narrowing of Amide Proton Resonances in 2D NMR Spectra of Proteins

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Structure determination of proteins by NMR relies on the determination of through-bond (COSY-type)<sup>1</sup> and through-space (NOESY-type)<sup>2</sup> connectivities.<sup>3</sup> Problems in applying this strategy to proteins larger than about 15 kD arise from the increased number of resonances and the increased line width of <sup>1</sup>H resonances, resulting in severe overlap in 2D NMR spectra. Moreover, the increase in <sup>1</sup>H line width causes partial cancellation of signal within COSY-type cross multiplets, severely affecting the sensitivity associated with this crucial step in the assignment procedure. Previous attempts to narrow proton resonances by applying random<sup>4</sup> or complete<sup>5</sup> deuteriation of the nonexchangeable protons. However, this approach offers only a modest narrowing of the relatively broad amide backbone resonances.

Here, we demonstrate an alternative approach for obtaining line narrowing of the amide protons, based on the removal of the N-H heteronuclear dipolar relaxation mechanism. For both  $^{14}\mathrm{N}$ and <sup>15</sup>N labeled proteins, the heteronuclear dipolar coupling has a major effect on <sup>1</sup>H transverse relaxation; replacing <sup>14</sup>N by <sup>15</sup>N reduces the heteronuclear dipolar broadening contribution by only 26%.<sup>6</sup> This is to be contrasted with the case of small peptides, where scalar relaxation of the second kind7 makes a major contribution to the line width of protons attached to <sup>14</sup>N.<sup>8</sup> Labeling with <sup>15</sup>N permits the efficient generation of heteronuclear zero-and double-quantum coherences,<sup>9-12</sup> which have relaxation rates that, to first order, are not affected by the heteronuclear dipolar coupling.<sup>12,13</sup> Hence, multiple quantum resonances can be significantly narrower than the corresponding amide <sup>1</sup>H resonances. The <sup>15</sup>N chemical shift contribution is easily removed from the multiple quantum frequency, yielding spectra that are similar in appearance to regular <sup>1</sup>H spectra, apart from line narrowing of the amide protons.

The new approach is demonstrated for the COSY experiment. The pulse scheme of this so-called pseudo-single quantum COSY (PS COSY) experiment is sketched in Figure 1. Because the pseudo-single quantum has to be present during the  $t_1$  period, the C<sup> $\alpha$ </sup>H resonances have to be detected during  $t_2$ , necessitating the use of presaturation to suppress the H<sub>2</sub>O resonance. To avoid excitation by the mixing pulse of H<sub>2</sub>O that recovers during the evolution period, mixing is accomplished with a combination of selective and nonselective pulses.<sup>14</sup> Linearly frequency-dependent phase errors in the  $F_1$  and  $F_2$  dimensions, caused by the relatively long initial values of  $t_1$  (8 ms) and  $t_2$  (4 ms), can be calculated exactly and are easily corrected.<sup>15</sup>

Figure 2 shows a comparison of sections of the fingerprint (NH-C<sup> $\alpha$ </sup>H) regions of the COSY spectra of a staphylococcal nuclease/pdTp/calcium complex (18 kD). Both spectra have been recorded at 600 MHz <sup>1</sup>H frequency, with acquisition times of 74 and 100 ms in the  $t_1$  and  $t_2$  dimensions, respectively. Measuring times were 17 h per spectrum. Sine bell digital filtering (10° phase shifted) has been used in both dimensions, and data have been zero filled to give a digital resolution of 3.3 Hz in both dimensions. As expected, the sensitivity of the PS COSY experiment is im-

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