

Figure 1. A representative quenching decay between 4 and PHAC (1.785 $\times 10^{-1} \mathrm{M}$ ) obtained by LFP on a $1.54 \times 10^{-3} \mathrm{M}$ solution of $\mathbf{1}$ in toluene, monitored at 515 nm . The inset figure shows the pseudo-first-order analysis of the decay curve over more than 1.5 half-lives, with $k_{\text {obs }}=$ $5711.6 \mathrm{~s}^{-1}$. The time the laser is fired is set to $t=0$.

Table I. LFP Rate Constants and Activation Parameters for the Photochemical Reaction of 4 with Alkynes ${ }^{a}$ and Several Simple Two-Electron Ligands

| quencher | $k$ <br> $\left(\mathrm{M}^{-1} \mathrm{~s}^{-1}\right)$ | $\Delta H^{*}$ <br> $\left(\mathrm{~kJ} \mathrm{~mol}^{-1}\right)$ | $\Delta S^{*}$ <br> $\left(\mathrm{~J} \mathrm{~mol}^{-1} \mathrm{~K}^{-1}\right)$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| l-hexyne | $(6.24 \pm 0.59) \times 10^{4}$ | $25.9 \pm 1.0$ | $-69.4 \pm 2.6$ |
| PHAC | $(3.63 \pm 0.36) \times 10^{4}$ | $28.5 \pm 1.1$ | $-61.7 \pm 3.3$ |
| DMAD | $(3.21 \pm 0.28) \times 10^{4}$ | $20.8 \pm 1.5$ | $-88.6 \pm 4.2$ |
| $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}{ }^{b, c}$ | $7.6 \times 10^{5}$ | 24.4 | -50.0 |
| $\mathrm{P}(n-b u t y l)^{b}{ }^{b}$ | $1.25 \times 10^{5}$ | 28.1 | -52.3 |
| $\mathrm{P}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)_{3}{ }^{b}$ | $2.1 \times 10^{5}$ | 22.3 | -64.8 |
| ${ }^{a}$ Tol |  |  |  |

${ }^{a}$ Toluene solution; rate constants reported are at $T=24 \pm 2{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, Activation parameters were obtained from measurements between 0 and $50^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. ${ }^{b}$ Reference 4 c . The rate constants and activation parameters are in cyclohexane solution. ${ }^{c}$ We have measured a rate constant of $(3.10 \pm 0.29) \times 10^{5} \mathrm{M}^{-1} \mathrm{~s}^{-1}$ in toluene.

Scheme I. Proposed Mechanism for the Insertion of Alkynes into 1

ratios after prolonged irradiation. ${ }^{9}$ The photolysis of $\mathbf{1}$ with an equimolar mixture of 1 -hexyne and PHAC yields the corresponding insertion products 5 in the ratio 1 -hexyne: $\mathrm{PHAC}=1.55$ $\pm 0.15$. This is similar to the ratio for the LFP rate constants ( $1.72 \pm 0.14$ ), strong evidence that the observed reaction is under kinetic control. Similar close agreements between the product and kinetic ratios were observed for 1-hexyne/DMAD and PHAC/DMAD competitions. These observations are most consistent with the postulate that the process $\mathbf{4}+$ alkyne $\boldsymbol{\rightarrow} \mathbf{5}$ is irreversible, and that $\mathbf{4}$ is ultimately responsible for formation of alkyne insertion product 5. Prolonged irradiation of either the 1-hexyne insertion product with free PHAC or the PHAC insertion product with free 1-hexyne further substantiates this assumption: no crossover of alkynes was observed.

The conclusions of the present studies, i.e. that the alkyne adds to the CO-loss product 4 , run counter to those proposed by us earlier; ${ }^{56}$ our results indicate that $\mathbf{4}$ (not 3 ) is responsible for the alkyne insertion reaction. Experiments are currently in process to better delineate solvent and steric effects and to verify the formation of the proposed $\eta^{2}$-alkyne intermediate 7 .

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Registry No. 1, 12154-95-9; 4, 87985-70-4; PHAC, 536-74-3; DMAD, 762-42-5; $\mathrm{CH}_{3} \mathrm{CN}, 75-05-8 ; \mathrm{P}(n-\mathrm{Bu})_{3}, 998-40-3 ; \mathrm{P}\left(\mathrm{C}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{5}\right)_{3}, 603-35-0$; 1-hexyne, 693-02-7.

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## Detection and Assignments of Diastereotopic Chemical Shifts in Partially Deuteriated Methyl Groups of a Chiral Molecule

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The three protons of a rapidly rotating methyl group in any molecule are homotopic ${ }^{1}$ from an NMR point of view and thus give rise to a single chemical shift. ${ }^{2}$ On the other hand, the two protons in a rapidly rotating $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group in a chiral molecule are diastereotopic ${ }^{1}$ and are anisochronous, i.e., they have (in principle) different chemical shifts, ${ }^{3}$ but an observable shift difference in such a system has not been previously reported to our knowledge.

A significant diastereotopic chemical shift difference is most easily induced by having a strong conformational (rotameric) preference for the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group, ${ }^{4}$ together with having very different magnetic environments at the sites occupied by the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ protons. Because lone pairs of electrons on nitrogens that are adjacent to CHD groups in six-membered rings give relatively large isotope effects on conformational equilibria, ${ }^{\xi, 6}$ we have investigated the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectrum of a chiral molecule, $(R S)-1-d$, containing a $\mathrm{NCH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group. The corresponding undeuteriated compound, ( $R S$ )-( $\pm$ )-1,2-dimethylpiperidine, i.e., ( $R S$ )-I, is known to exist at room temperature to the extent of $95 \%$ in the diequatorial chair conformation, ${ }^{7}$ viz., structure $(S)$-I-ee for the $(S) \cdot(+)$ enantiomer ${ }^{8}$ of I . It is sufficient here to use the racemic

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form, ( $R S$ ) -I- $d^{9}$ (the subscripts $R$ and $S$ on the hydrogens in the structure ( $S$ )-I-d indicate the pro- $R$ and pro- $S$ hydrogens of the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group, respectively). We have made related measurements on ( $R S$ )-I- $d_{2}$ and on 1-methylpiperidine isotopomers (II and II- $d$ ). ${ }^{9}$ which exist virtually completely with the methyl groups in equatorial positions. ${ }^{10}$

As shown in Figure 1a, an AB quartet is clearly observed for the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group in the ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\{\mathrm{D}\}$ spectrum of $(R S) \cdot \mathrm{I}-d$ at 500 MHz . The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ chemical shift difference in the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group is 6.9 Hz ( 0.014 ppm or 14 ppb ). Because of the relatively large coupling constant ( $\left|J_{\mathrm{HH}}\right|=11.7 \mathrm{~Hz}$ ), the inner lines of the AB quartet are separated by only 1.8 Hz , and the outer lines are calculated to have only $7 \%$ of the intensity of the inner lines. The chemical shift difference in the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group increases as the temperature is lowered so that the AB quartet at $-95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ is much less collapsed than at room temperature (Figure 1b). The ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ spectrum without deuterium decoupling of the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group at $22^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ consists of the sum of three AB quartets similar to those in (a) above and offset from one other by $1.8 \mathrm{~Hz}\left(J_{\mathrm{HD}}\right)$ (Figure 1c).

The deuterium isotope shifts ( $\Delta_{1}$ and $\Delta_{2}$ ) in the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ protons (Figure la and 1 b at 22 and $-95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ ) differ from an expected intrinsic isotope shift of -15 to $-19 \mathrm{ppb},{ }^{11}$ especially for $\Delta_{2}$, which clearly has a large equilibrium contribution. ${ }^{5,6,11,12}$ The deuterium isotope shift $\left(\Delta_{3}\right)$ in the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group of II- $d$ was measured to be -23 ppb at $22^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ and -27 ppb at $-95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$. Surprisingly, the chemical shift difference ( $\Delta_{4}$ ) between the 1 -methyl groups in I and II is extremely small ( 12 ppb ) and independent of temperature. Finally, the deuteron chemical shift difference ( 13 ppb ) in $(R S)-\mathrm{I}-d_{2}$ was measured at $22^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (Figure 1 d ). ${ }^{13}$
In order to analyze the chemical shifts in the 1 -methyl groups of I and II, we assume additivity of chemical shift contributions. Let the chemical shifts of $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}}, \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{b}}$, and $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{c}}$ of the 1-methyl group in $(S)$-I-ee, relative to those of the corresponding protons in II-e, be $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{a}}, \Delta \delta_{\mathrm{b}}$, and $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{c}}$, respectively. The gauche arrangement of the $\mathrm{CH}_{3}-\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{CH}-\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ moiety in $(S)$-I-ee should deshield the 1-methyl proton $\left(\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}}\right)$ closest to the 2 -methyl group by a steric effect, ${ }^{7,14}$ so that $\Delta \delta_{a}$ is expected to be positive. The electron delocalization from the nitrogen lone pair into the antiparallel
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(13) The $76.8-\mathrm{MHz} D\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\}$ NMR spectrum of ( $R S$ ) $-1-d_{2}$, which was prepared by $\mathrm{LiAlD}_{4}$ reduction of the $N$-formyl derivative of the secondary amine, is a doublet split by $1.0 \mathrm{~Hz}(13 \mathrm{ppb})$. The calculated coupling constant between the two deuterons is $11.7 / 6.5^{2}$ or 0.3 Hz and is not resolved.
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Figure 1. $500-\mathrm{MHz}^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR spectra in $\mathrm{CD}_{2} \mathrm{Cl}_{2}$ of the $\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ group in ( $R S$ )-I- $d$ at (a) $22{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ with deuterium decoupling ( ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\{\mathrm{D}\}$ ), (b) $-95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ with a line narrowing of -1.75 Hz and with the deuterons spontaneously decoupled by quadrupolar relaxation, and (c) $22^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ without deuterium decoupling. In (a) the separation ( 1.8 Hz ) of the two large inner lines of the AB quartet is $\left[\Delta \nu^{2}+J_{\mathrm{HH}}{ }^{2}\right]^{1 / 2}-\left|J_{\mathrm{HH}}\right|$, where $\Delta \nu$ (in Hz) is ( $\nu_{1}-$ $\left.\nu_{2}\right) ; \Delta_{1}($ in ppb$)=2\left(\nu_{1}-\nu^{*}\right)$ and $\Delta_{2}($ in ppb$)=2\left(\nu_{2}-\nu^{*}\right)$, where $\nu^{*}$ is the frequency of the $\mathrm{CH}_{3}$ signal (marked by an asterisk) in undeuteriated 1,2-dimethylpiperidine $\left(\delta_{N-\mathrm{CH}_{3}}=2.17\right.$ at $\left.22{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$. $76.77-\mathrm{MHz} \mathrm{D}\left\{{ }^{1} \mathrm{H}\right\}$ NMR spectrum (d) at $22{ }^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ of the $\mathrm{CHD}_{2}$ group in ( $R S$ ) -I- $d_{2}$.

## Scheme I


methyl- $\mathrm{CH} \sigma^{*}$ orbital, which weakens this CH bond and creates a partial negative charge on $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{c}}{ }^{15}$ should give a shielding contribution ( $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{L}}$ ) to this proton. ${ }^{16}$
The three rotamers in the $\mathrm{N}-\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{D}$ moiety of I- $d$ are shown as Newman projections in Scheme I, where the longer arrows indicate the preferred equilibrium directions. The lone pair on nitrogen is expected to contribute $60 \pm 10 \mathrm{cal} / \mathrm{mol}\left(G_{\mathrm{L}}\right)$ more toward $H^{\circ}$ and $G^{\circ}$ for C than for A or B through a zero-point energy effect. ${ }^{5} 6,17$ Also, rotamer $\mathbf{B}$ (but not A or C) is expected to be stabilized because steric compression caused by the gauche 2 -methyl group should increase the bending frequency involving the $\mathrm{C}-\mathrm{D}$ bond in B . We estimate that this energy contribution $\left(G_{M}\right)$ is $-7 \pm 5 \mathrm{cal} / \mathrm{mol}^{18}$ Using these parameters ${ }^{19}$ and the values of $\Delta_{3}$ at 22 and $-95^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, we then calculate that the lone-pair effect $\left(\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{L}}\right)$ and the intrinsic isotope effect $\left(E_{\mathrm{I}}\right)$ are $-490 \pm 80$ and -18 $\pm 0.5 \mathrm{ppb}$, respectively.

With the previously established relation $\Delta_{4}=\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{a}}+\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{b}}+\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{c}}$ $=12 \mathrm{ppb}$ and the values of $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{L}}$ and $E_{\mathrm{I}}$ determined from $\Delta_{3}$, the experimental data at $-70,-95$, and $-105^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for $\Delta_{1}$ and $\Delta_{2}$ can be well fitted with $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{a}}=425, \Delta \delta_{\mathrm{b}}=-150$, and $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{c}}=-260 \mathrm{ppb}$. ${ }^{20}$ The reasonableness of the shielding and deshielding parameters deduced here allows us to assign with high confidence the protons in ( $S \cdot$-)-I-d associated with the $\Delta_{1}$ and $\Delta_{2}$ shifts to $\mathrm{H}_{R}$ and $\mathrm{H}_{S}$,

[^1]respectively. These assignments are of course reversed in ( $R$-) -I-d.
The present results show that the configuration of an intact stereogenic methyl group, ${ }^{21}$ CHDT (so-called "chiral" methyl group ${ }^{22}$ ), can be determined directly by tritium NMR. ${ }^{23-27}$ The diastereomer, $(1-S, 7-S)-\mathrm{I}-d-t$, is calculated to have a tritium chemical shift at room temperature that is about 15 ppb greater (i.e., less shielded) than that of the other diastereomer, ( $1-S, 7-$ $R$ )-I- $d-t$. With proton and deuterium decoupling, a mixture of these diastereomers should then give sharp lines separated by 4.8 $\pm 0.3 \mathrm{~Hz}$ at 320 MHz , thus allowing an easy and accurate integration of the two signals on available instrumentation.

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(25) It has been thought ${ }^{22}$ that such an NMR procedure would require finding conditions where the rotation of the methyl group is slow on the NMR chemical shift time scale, ${ }^{2}$ but such conditions are neither necessary nor indeed desirable.
(26) Excess ( $S$ )-2-methylpiperidine should react ${ }^{8}$ with CHDTX, where X is a leaving group; a route to such a CHDTX compound from chiral acetic acid is known. ${ }^{21}$
(27) Investigations of the chemical shift differences in the CHDT groups of diastereomers of I-d-t and in the $\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ D groups of chiral molecules other than I are planned.

## Structure and Properties of a Pterin-Containing Ternary Copper(II) Complex, $\left[\mathrm{Cu}(\right.$ bpy $\left.)(\mathrm{PC})\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)\right] \cdot 3 \mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}$ (bpy $=2,2^{\prime}$ - Bipyridine; PC $=$ Pterin-6-carboxylate). Implications for the Active-Site Copper-Cofactor Bonding in Chromobacterium violaceum Phenylalanine Hydroxylase

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Phenylalanine hydroxylase and other aromatic amino acid hydroxylases are metalloenzymes that introduce a hydroxyl group into the side-chain aromatic rings in the presence of the pterin

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Figure 1. ORTEP view of $\left[\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{bpy})(\mathrm{PC})\left(\mathrm{H}_{2} \mathrm{O}\right)\right](2)$ showing $50 \%$ thermal ellipsoids. Selected bond lengths ( $\AA$ ) and angles (deg) are as follows: $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(1)=2.005(3), \mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)=1.993$ (3), $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(3)=2.013$ (3), $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(1)=2.499$ (3), $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3)=2.391$ (3), $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3 \mathrm{~W})=1.972$ (3); $\mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(2)=81.1(1), \mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(3)=97.0(1), \mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(1)$ $=83.0(1), \mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3)=94.7(1), \mathrm{N}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3 \mathrm{~W})=171.1(2)$, $\mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{N}(3)=177.1(1), \mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(1)=104.4$ (1), N(2)-Cu-O(3) $=108.0(1), \mathrm{N}(2)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3 \mathrm{~W})=93.0(1), \mathrm{N}(3)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(1)=73.1$ (1), $\mathrm{N}(3)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3)=74.3(1), \mathrm{N}(3)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3 \mathrm{~W})=88.5(1), \mathrm{O}(1)-$ $\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3)=146.7(1), \mathrm{O}(1)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3 \mathrm{~W})=92.0(1), \mathrm{O}(3)-\mathrm{Cu}-\mathrm{O}(3 \mathrm{~W})$ $=93.6$ (1).
cofactor biopterin (1a). ${ }^{2,3}$ While the hydroxylases from mammalian and pseudomonas species require iron for their activity, the phenylalanine hydroxylase from Chromobacterium violaceum involves 1 mol of type 2 copper per mol of enzyme in place of iron, ${ }^{4.5}$ and a reduced pterin ring has been inferred to coordinate to copper through the nitrogen atom from electron spin resonance (ESR) spectroscopic studies by Benkovic and his collaborators. ${ }^{6}$ Their electron spin echo studies reported very recently indicated that two imidazole groups from the enzyme are equatorially bound to copper. ${ }^{7}$ In the course of the studies on $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{II})$-folic acid interactions, we found that folic acid (FA, 1b), also a pterin

cofactor, suffers oxidative cleavage at the side chain by $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{bpy})^{2+}$ (bpy $=2,2^{\prime}$-bipyridine) at $\mathrm{pH}>10$ under aerobic conditions to give a ternary copper(II) complex involving bpy and pterin-6. carboxylate ( $\mathrm{PC}, \mathbf{1 c}$ ), $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{bpy})(\mathrm{PC}) .{ }^{8}$ Since the same oxidation was observed for $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{phen})^{2+}$ (phen $=1,10$-phenanthroline) but not for $\mathrm{Cu}(\mathrm{en})^{2+}(\mathrm{en}=$ ethylenediamine), electronic and steric

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    (20) The errors in $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{a}}, \Delta \delta_{\mathrm{b}}$, and $\Delta \delta_{\mathrm{d}}$ depend mostly on the errors in $G_{\mathrm{L}}$ and $G_{\mathrm{M}}$ and are $\pm 100, \pm 50$, and $\pm 100 \mathrm{ppb}$, respectively); at $22^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ the calculated value of $\Delta_{2}$ is in error by 3 ppb probably because $5 \%$ of the 2 -axial form is present.?

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