There is a fundamental difference between detecting a CH 6 and a CH5 proton in the $\omega 3$ dimension. If one detects CH 6 , and if the frequency of CH6 overlaps with the resonance of another H6 proton, nothing is gained by using the 3D experiment relative to 2D NMR because the magnetization transfer pathway (sugar protons $\xrightarrow{11} \mathrm{CH} 6 \xrightarrow{12} \mathrm{CH} 6$ ) is the same as the original 2D NOESY transfer. Overlap of the H6/sugar proton NOESY cross peaks remains. In addition, the true 3D cross peaks which could possibly resolve the overlap (sugar protons $\xrightarrow{\xrightarrow{\longrightarrow}} \mathrm{CH} 5 \xrightarrow{12} \mathrm{CH} 6$ ) have little or no intensity because the direct NOESY magnetization transfer between sugar protons and CH 5 is very inefficient.

However, if the CH5 frequency in the $\omega 3$ dimension is detected, the CH6 of the same base via the TOCSY mixing process is detected (sugar protons $\xrightarrow{11}$ CH6 $\xrightarrow{12} \mathrm{CH} 5$ ). In that case if CH 6 overlaps with another H 6 resonance then the CH 6 will be selectively detected. Parts A and B of Figure 3 compare two $\omega 3$ planes ( $\omega 2=7.32 \mathrm{ppm}$ region shown only) detected at the frequency of C9 H5 or C9 H6. In the regular 2D NOESY spectrum, T8 H6 resonates at the same frequency as C 9 H 6 and therefore the cross peaks $\mathrm{C} 9 \mathrm{H} 6 / \mathrm{T} 8 \mathrm{H1}{ }^{\prime}, \mathrm{C} 9 \mathrm{H} 6 / \mathrm{T} 8 \mathrm{H} 2^{\prime}$, and $\mathrm{C} 9 \mathrm{H} 6 / \mathrm{T} 8$ $\mathrm{H} 2^{\prime \prime}$ are undetectable because they are hidden by the cross peaks T8 H6/T8 H1', T8 H6/T8 H2', and T8 H6/T8 H2 $2^{\prime \prime}$. By detecting the $\omega 3$ plane at the C 9 H 5 frequency, one clearly sees that the signals originating from T 8 H 6 have disappeared. One can now detect and unambiguously assign $\mathrm{C} 9 \mathrm{H} 6 / \mathrm{T} 8 \mathrm{H1}{ }^{\prime}, \mathrm{C} 9 \mathrm{H} 6 / \mathrm{T} 8$ $\mathrm{H} 2^{\prime}$, and $\mathrm{C} 9 \mathrm{H} 6 / \mathrm{T} 8 \mathrm{H} 2^{\prime \prime}$.

This single 3D spectrum provides the information for assigning all of the nonexchangeable protons including even strongly overlapping peaks in crowded spectral regions such as the H5' and $\mathrm{H}^{\prime \prime}$ protons in a much more reliable manner than 2D NMR and greatly simplifies the process for assignment of all the protons in the system. This experiment is particularly useful for C and T bases, where the scalar coupling between CH 5 and CH 6 , and between TH6 and TCH3, allows one to take full advantage of the increased resolution provided by the TOCSY mixing process. ${ }^{25}$
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## Novel Zirconocene-Promoted Carbon-Carbon Bond Formation via a 1,2-Migration Reaction of Alkynylzirconium Derivatives

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We report on a novel class of carbon-carbon bond forming reaction of alkynylzirconocene derivatives which, we believe, proceeds via 1,2 -migration as in eqs 1 and 2 (Scheme I). One distinguishing feature of the reaction is that, unlike some other known 1,2-migration reactions such as those involving $\alpha, \beta$-unsaturated organoborates, ${ }^{2}$ it proceeds without the assistance of an external electrophile. In search for new migratory insertion reactions of organotransition metals, ${ }^{3-5}$ we generated $\mathrm{Li}\left[\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{Zr}\right.$ $(\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CPh})_{3}$ ] (1a) by treating $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{ZrCl}_{2}$, where $\mathrm{Cp}=\eta^{5}-\mathrm{C}_{5} \mathrm{H}_{5}$, with 3 equiv of $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ in THF at -78 to $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ over a few hours. Treatment of 1a with 3 N HCl indeed produced ( $Z$ )-1,4-di-phenyl-1-buten-3-yne (2a) as a $>96 \%$ isomerically pure compound in $61 \%$ GLC yield based on Zr (eq 1). Similarly, the reaction of $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{ZrCl}_{2}$ with 3 equiv of $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CC}(\mathrm{Me})=\mathrm{CH}_{2}$, followed by iodinolysis with 2 equiv of $\mathrm{I}_{2}$, produced 3 c in almost quantitative GLC yield along with 4-iodo-2-methyl-1-buten-3-yne ( $100 \%$ based on Zr ) (eq 1).

Zirconocene derivatives containing both alkynyl and aryl groups also undergo a similar reaction. Thus, treatment of preformed $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{Zr}(\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CPh})_{2}{ }^{6 \mathrm{a}}$ with 2 equiv of $\mathrm{PhLi}\left(-78\right.$ to $\left.25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}\right)$ provided, upon quenching with $3 \mathrm{~N} \mathrm{HCl},(Z)$-stilbene (5a) in $85 \%$ GLC yield based on Zr along with only a $6 \%$ yield of 2 a , and the reaction of $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{ZrPh}_{2}{ }^{6 \mathrm{~b}}$ with 1 equiv of $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ provided, after treatment with $3 \mathrm{~N} \mathrm{HCl},>98 \%$ isomerically pure 5 a in $81 \%$ GLC yield (eq 2). The amount of $\mathbf{2 a}$ was trace, if any. The use of DCl in place of HCl gave $(Z)$-dideuteriostilbene with $>95 \%$ deuterium in-
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Scheme I



Table I. Carbon-Carbon Bond Formation of Alkynylzirconium Derivatives ${ }^{a}$

| $\mathrm{R}^{1}$ of $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{ZrR}^{1}{ }_{2}$ | $\mathrm{LiR}^{2}$ | quenching |  | product yield |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | reagent | product ${ }^{\text {b }}$ | GLC | isolated |
| $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ | $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ | HCl | $(Z)-\mathrm{PhCH}=\mathrm{CHC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ | 61 |  |
| $\mathrm{C} \equiv$ CHex-n | $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CHex}-\mathrm{n}$ | HCl | (Z) $\cdot n \cdot \mathrm{HexCH}=\mathrm{CHC} \equiv \mathrm{CHex}-n$ | 60 | 55 |
| $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CC}(\mathrm{Me})=\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CC}(\mathrm{Me})=\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ | $\mathrm{I}_{2}{ }^{\text {c }}$ | $\mathrm{CH}_{2}=(\mathrm{Me}) \mathrm{CC} \equiv \mathrm{CC} \equiv \mathrm{CC}(\mathrm{Me})=\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ | 100 |  |
| $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ | $\mathrm{LiPh}^{\text {d }}$ | HCl | $(Z) \cdot \mathrm{PhCH}=\mathrm{CHPh}$ | 85 | 54 |
| $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CTol}-\mathrm{p}$ | LiPh ${ }^{\text {d }}$ | HCl | $(Z)$ - $\mathrm{PhCH}=$ CHTol -p |  | 77 |
| $\mathrm{C}=\mathrm{CPh}$ | $\mathrm{LiC}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{OMe}-p^{\text {d }}$ | HCl | (Z). $\mathrm{PhCH}=\mathrm{CHC}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{OMe}-p$ |  | 75 |
| $\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ | $\mathrm{LiC}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{CF}_{3}-p^{d}$ | HCl | (Z) $\mathrm{PhCH}=\mathrm{CHC}_{6} \mathrm{H}_{4} \mathrm{CF}_{3}-p$ |  | 43 |
| Ph | $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ | HCl | (Z) $-\mathrm{PhCH}=\mathrm{CHPh}$ | 81 | 60 |
| Ph | $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CHex}-\mathrm{n}$ | HCl | ( $Z$ ) $-\mathrm{PhCH}=\mathrm{CHHex}-n$ | 55 | 45 |
| Ph | $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CC}(\mathrm{Me})=\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ | $1_{2}{ }^{\text {c }}$ | $\mathrm{PhC} \equiv \mathrm{CC}(\mathrm{Me})=\mathrm{CH}_{2}$ | 80 | 60 |

${ }^{a}$ The reactions were run in THF at -78 to $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for a few to several hours. ${ }^{b}$ The alkene products were $>96 \% ~ Z$. ${ }^{c}$ Two to three molar equivalents of $\mathrm{I}_{2}$ used. ${ }^{d}$ Two equivalents of $\mathrm{LiR}^{2}$ used.
corporation. The experimental results are summarized in Table I.

Although clarification of the mechanistic details is still continuing, the following are worth noting. First, $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{Zr}(\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CR})_{2}{ }^{6 a}$ are generally stable for days at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$, and their protonolysis provides quantitatively the starting alkynes. Therefore, the third equivalent of $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CR}$ or LiAr is essential to obtaining the products of carbon-carbon bond formation. Secondly, the following results indicate that the reaction proceeds via zirconate species and that it is not assisted by an external electrophile. Thus, for example, treatment of $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{ZrCl}_{2}$ with 3 equiv of $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CHex}-n$ at -78 to $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ (over 1 h ) gave a $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{Zr}$ derivative which exhibited a ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR singlet for the Cp group at $\delta$ 5.93. A very minor signal $(\leq 4 \%)$ at $\delta 5.62$ was also discernible. Quenching the mixture with 3 N HCl at this time produced only a $\leq 4 \%$ yield of 2b, along with 1 -octyne recovered to the extent of $90 \%$. These results are consistent with the intermediary formation of $\mathrm{Li}\left[\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{Zr}(\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CHex}-\right.$ $n)_{3}$ ] ( $\mathbf{1 b}$ ). The signal at $\delta 5.62$ gradually grew, and its integration after 48 h at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ corresponded to a $70 \%$ NMR yield of a new $\mathrm{ZrCp}_{2}$ derivative. Analysis by GLC of the protonolysis product indicated that $\mathbf{2 b}$ was produced in $60 \%$ yield by GLC based on Zr as the only octyne dimerization product. Clearly, formation of $\mathbf{2 b}$ requires some transformation of the initially formed intermediate prior to protonolysis, establishing that it is not induced by HCl . Thirdly, the formation of 4 or 7 as the products before
quenching with HCl or $\mathrm{I}_{2}$ has been further supported by the following data. As reported previously, treatment of $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{Zr}(\mathrm{Bu}-n)_{2}$ with 1 equiv of $\mathrm{PhC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ in the presence of 4 -(dimethylamino) pyridine (DMAP) or $\mathrm{PMe}_{3}$ in THF gave a $90 \%$ NMR yield of $8^{7}(\delta 5.85)$ or a $98 \%$ NMR yield of $9^{8}[\delta 5.77(\mathrm{~d}, J=2 \mathrm{~Hz})]$, respectively. Treatment of $\mathbf{8}$ with $\mathrm{PMe}_{3}$ cleanly provided $\mathbf{9}$ in $80 \%$ NMR yield. Significantly, treatment of 8 with PhLi ( 2 equiv) produced a $70 \%$ NMR yield of a $\mathrm{ZrCp}_{2}$ derivative ( $\delta 5.62$ ) indistinguishable from that obtained by treatment of $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{ZrPh}_{2}$ ( $\delta$ 6.41) with $\mathrm{LiC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}{ }^{9}$ The structure 7a may now be assigned to this $\mathrm{ZrCp}_{2}$ derivative. Although both samples of 7 a proved to be inert to alkynes, ${ }^{78,10}$ such as 4 -octyne, their reaction with acetonc ${ }^{78,10}$ ( $4-6$ equiv) at $25^{\circ} \mathrm{C}$ for 6 h followed by treatment with 3 N HCl provided 10 in $70-75 \%$ isolated yield, ${ }^{11}$ further supporting the assignment made above (eq 3). Unfortunately, both samples of 7a obtained as described above contained a ca.

[^0]$15 \%$ NMR yield of another $\mathrm{ZrCp}_{2}$ derivative, which was indistinguishable from a species obtained by treating $1,1-\mathrm{bis}\left(\eta^{5}-\right.$ cyclopentadienyl)-2,3,4,5-tetraphenyl-1-zirconacyclopentadiene with PhLi . This contamination hampered attempts to obtain 7a as a pure compound, Furthermore, its ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ and ${ }^{13} \mathrm{C}$ NMR spectra were relatively uninformative. ${ }^{12,13}$ Fourthly, treatment of $\mathrm{Cp}_{2} \mathrm{Zr}(\mathrm{C} \equiv \mathrm{CTol}-p)_{2}$ with 2 equiv of PhLi in the presence of $\mathrm{PhC} \equiv \mathrm{CPh}$ produced, after protonolysis with 3 N HCl , a $62 \%$ GLC yield of $(Z)-\mathrm{PhCH}=$ CHTol $-p$ without producing ( $Z$ )stilbene ( $<0,2 \%$ if any). Tolan was recovered to the extent of $86 \%$. The results clearly rule out dissociative mechanisms, such as that proceeding via reductive elimination to give free $\mathrm{PhC} \equiv \mathrm{CTol}-p$ followed by complexation, and point to a nondissociative mechanism, such as 1,2-migration,

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## Regioselective and Enantioselective Substitution of Allylic Sulfoximines with Organocopper Reagents. A Versatile Approach to Optically Active Isocarbacyclins

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Carbacyclin (1) ${ }^{\text {ta }}$ and isocarbacyclin (3), ${ }^{\text {bb }}$ stable analogues of the unstable hemostase regulator prostacyclin (2), ${ }^{1 \mathrm{c}}$ are the prototypes of a new generation of antithrombotic drugs. Modification mainly of their side chains has led to the attainment of highly potent derivatives ${ }^{2}$ which show great promise for the

[^1]Scheme I


Scheme


Scheme II

treatment of obliterative peripheral artery disease. ${ }^{3}$ Recently we described a stereoselective synthesis of carbacyclins via Ni -catalyzed cross-coupling reactions of the enantiomerically pure alkenyl sulfoximine $4^{4}$ with organozinc compounds. ${ }^{5}$ We reasoned that 4 would likewise allow for a versatile synthesis of isocarbacyclins ${ }^{6}$ provided it can be isomerized to the allylic sulfoximine 5 and this in turn made to allylate organocopper reagents such as, e.g., $\mathrm{LiCu}\left[\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{4} \mathrm{OCH}(\mathrm{Me}) \mathrm{OEt}\right]_{2}(6 \mathrm{a})^{7 \mathrm{a}}$ or $\mathrm{Cu}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2}\right)_{4} \mathrm{OCH}(\mathrm{Me}) \mathrm{OEt}$ (6b), ${ }^{7 \mathrm{a}}$ and $\mathrm{ClMgCu}\left(\mathrm{CH}_{2} \mathrm{OCH}_{2} \mathrm{Ph}\right)_{2}$ (7a) or $\mathrm{CuCH}_{2} \mathrm{OCH}_{2} \mathrm{Ph}$ ( 7 b ), ${ }^{76}$ to give the precursors $8^{6 \mathrm{~b}}$ and $9,9,2 \mathrm{~b}, 2 \mathrm{r}$ respectively (Scheme I) ${ }^{8}$ which were synthesized previously (with other protecting groups) by less direct routes.

Allylic sulfones gained synthetic importance since they allow the allylation of carbon electrophiles as well as nucleophiles via alkylation of their mono- ${ }^{9}$ and dicarbanion ${ }^{10,11 f}$ salts and transition metal mediated substitution with organometallics or carbanion

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