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Reaction of 2,3,5,10b-Tetrahydrooxazolo[3,2-c][1,3]benzoxazines with Chlorotrimethylsilane

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Cleavage of oxazolidines (which may be regarded as five-membered N,O-acetals) with halotrimethyl-silanes is known to give silylated alcohols containing, depending on the oxazolidine structure, enamine or imine fragments [1, 2]. These alcohols are often used as intermediate products in the synthesis of more complex nitrogen- and silicon-containing compounds [2, 3].

In the present communication we report for the first time on the reaction of 2,3,5,10b-tetrahydrooxazolo-[3,2-c][1,3]benzoxazines **Ia–Id** with chlorotrimethylsilane. The reactions were carried out with equimolar amounts of the reactants in benzene at room temperature. The yield of 3-(2-trimethylsilyloxyalkyl)-2*H*-1,3-benzoxazinium chlorides **IIa–IIc** was almost quantitative. In the case of 3,3-dimethyl derivative **Id**, heating of the reaction mixture for 5 h under reflux was necessary to obtain salt **IId** in a good yield (93%).

The presence in molecules **Ia–Id** of two N,O-acetal rings (five- and six-membered) assumes the possibility for the reaction with chlorotrimethylsilane to occur at both rings or only one of these, e.g., with formation of compounds **IIIa–IIId**. However, in all cases the reaction was strictly regioselective, and only the oxazolidine ring was opened. Presumably, unlike compounds

IIIa–IIId, the newly formed double bond in structure II is conjugated with the benzene ring.

The ¹H NMR spectra of compounds **IIa–IId** contained singlets from protons of the N=CH and NCH₂O groups or doublets of doublets from the NCH₂O protons in compounds with an asymmetric carbon atom (**IIb** and **IIc**); no signals assignable to N=CH₂ group were present.

3-(2-Trimethylsilyloxyalkyl)-2*H***-1,3-benzoxazinium chlorides IIa–IId** (*general procedure*). Chlorotrimethylsilane, 0.1 mol, was added dropwise to a solution of 0.1 mol of 2,3,5,10b-tetrahydrooxazolo-[3,2-*c*][1,3]benzoxazine **Ia–Id** in 100 ml of benzene under stirring at room temperature. The precipitate was filtered off and dried under reduced pressure.

6-Bromo-3-(2-trimethylsilyloxyethyl)-2*H***-1,3-benzoxazinium chloride (IIa).** Yield 98%, mp 84–86°C (decomp.). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm (J, Hz): 0.06 s (9H, SiMe₃), 3.34 t (2H, NCH₂, ${}^{3}J$ = 6.8), 4.04 t (2H, OCH₂, ${}^{3}J$ = 6.8), 4.69 s (2H, NCH₂O), 6.96 d (1H, 8-H, ${}^{3}J_{7,8}$ = 8.9), 7.68 d.d (1H, 7-H, ${}^{4}J_{5,7}$ = 2.5, ${}^{3}J_{7,8}$ = 8.9), 7.86 d (1H, 5-H, ${}^{4}J_{5,7}$ = 2.5), 9.91 s (1H, N=CH). Found, %: C 42.66; H 5.17; Br 21.97; Cl 9.64; N 3.71;

 $R^1 = R^2 = H$, $R^3 = Br(a)$; $R^1 = H$, $R^2 = Me$, $R^3 = Br(b)$; $R^2 = Me$, $R^1 = R^3 = H(c)$; $R^1 = Me$, $R^2 = R^3 = H(d)$.

Si 7.58. C₁₃H₁₉BrClNO₂Si. Calculated, %: C 42.81; H 5.25; Br 21.91; Cl 9.72; N 3.84; Si 7.70.

6-Bromo-3-(2-trimethylsilyloxypropyl)-2*H***-1,3-benzoxazinium chloride (IIb).** Yield 97%, mp 110–112°C (decomp.). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm (J, Hz): 0.06 s (9H, SiMe₃), 1.29 d (3H, Me, ${}^{3}J$ = 6.12), 2.71 d.d (1H, NCH_AH_BCH_X, ${}^{3}J_{AX}$ = 8.4, ${}^{2}J_{AB}$ = 10.8), 3.47 d.d (1H, NCH_AH_BCH_X, ${}^{3}J_{BX}$ = 6.3, ${}^{2}J_{AB}$ = 10.8), 4.17 m (1H, NCH_AH_BCH_X, ${}^{3}J_{1,2}$ = 6.1, ${}^{3}J_{BX}$ = 6.3, ${}^{3}J_{AX}$ = 8.4), 4.47 d (1H, OCH_AH_BN, ${}^{2}J_{AB}$ = 5.5), 4.89 d (1H, OCH_AH_BN, ${}^{2}J_{AB}$ = 5.5), 7.09 d (1H, 8-H, ${}^{3}J_{7,8}$ = 8.8), 7.64 d.d (1H, 7-H, ${}^{4}J_{5,7}$ = 2.7, ${}^{3}J_{7,8}$ = 8.8), 7.71 d (1H, 5-H, ${}^{4}J_{5,7}$ = 2.7), 10.23 s (1H, N=CH). Found, %: C 44.53; H 5.47; Br 21.01; C1 9.45; N 3.54; Si 7.52. C₁₄H₂₁BrClNO₂Si. Calculated, %: C 44.39; H 5.59; Br 21.10; C1 9.36; N 3.70; Si 7.41.

3-(2-Trimethylsilyloxypropyl)-2*H***-1,3-benzoxazinium chloride (IIc).** Yield 97%, mp $101-103^{\circ}$ C (decomp.). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm (J, Hz): 0.06 s (9H, SiMe₃), 1.32 d (3H, Me, ${}^{3}J_{1,2}=6.12$), 2.77 d.d (1H, NCH_AH_BCH_X, ${}^{3}J_{AX}=8.64$, ${}^{2}J_{AB}=10.92$), 3.47 d.d (1H, NCH_AH_BCH_X, ${}^{3}J_{BX}=6.16$, ${}^{2}J_{AB}=10.92$), 4.17 d.d.d (1H, NCH_AH_BCH_X, ${}^{3}J_{1,2}=6.12$, ${}^{3}J_{BX}=6.16$, ${}^{3}J_{AX}=8.64$), 4.52 d (1H, OCH_ACH_BN, ${}^{2}J_{AB}=5.4$), 4.92 d (1H, OCH_ACH_BN, ${}^{2}J_{AB}=5.4$), 6.95 d.d.d (1H, 6-H, ${}^{4}J_{6,8}=0.8$, ${}^{3}J_{6,7}=7.2$, ${}^{3}J_{6,5}=7.7$), 7.07 d.d (1H, 8-H, ${}^{4}J_{6,8}=0.8$, ${}^{3}J_{7,8}=8.3$), 7.51 d.d.d (1H, 7-H, ${}^{4}J_{5,7}=1.8$, ${}^{3}J_{5,6}=7.7$), 10.27 s (1H, N=CH). Found, %: C 56.19; H 7.46; C1 11.66; N 4.53; Si 9.45. C₁₄H₂₂ClNO₂Si. Calculated, %: C 56.08; H 7.39; C1 11.82; N 4.67; Si 9.37.

3-(1,1-Dimethyl-2-trimethylsilyloxyethyl)-2*H***-1,3-benzoxazinium chloride (IId).** Yield 93%, mp 86–87°C (decomp.). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm (*J*, Hz): 0.07 s (9H, SiMe₃), 1.46 s (6H, 2Me), 3.57 s (2H, OCH₂C), 4.61 s (2H, OCH₂N), 7.08 d.d.d (1H, 6-H, ${}^4J_{6,8}=0.5, {}^3J_{6,7}=7.2, {}^3J_{6,5}=7.9$), 7.23 d.d (1H, 8-H, ${}^4J_{6,8}=0.5, {}^3J_{7,8}=8.2$), 7.67 d.d.d (1H, 7-H, ${}^4J_{5,7}=1.6, {}^3J_{6,7}=7.2, {}^3J_{7,8}=8.2$), 8.06 d.d (1H, 5-H, ${}^4J_{5,7}=1.6, {}^3J_{5,6}=7.9$), 9.37 s (1H, N=CH). Found, %: C 57.53; H 7.89; Cl 11.34; N 4.31; Si 8.82. C₁₅H₂₄ClNO₂Si. Calculated, %: C 57.40; H 7.71; Cl 11.29; N 4.46; Si 8.95.

The ¹H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker DPX-400 spectrometer (400 MHz) at 26°C from solutions in DMSO-*d*₆ using HMDS as internal reference. Freshly distilled commercial chlorotrimethylsilane was used. 2,3,5,10b-Tetrahydrooxazolo[3,2-*c*][1,3]benzoxazines **Ia**–**Id** were synthesized by the procedure reported in [4]; their purity was no less than 96% (according to the GLC data).

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