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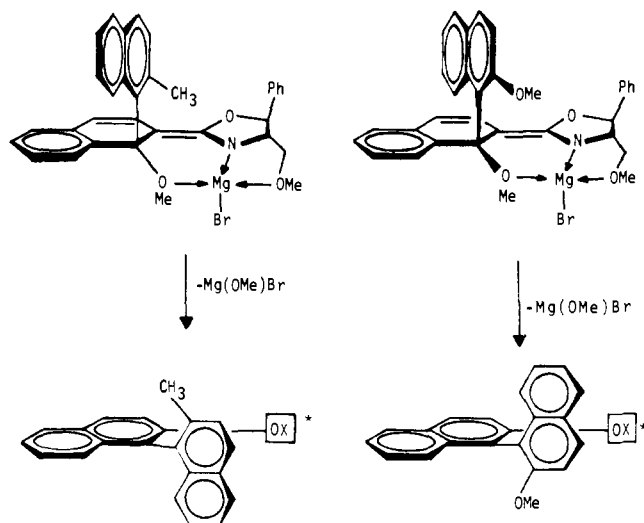


Figure 3.

MeOH) to the hydroxy ether **16**.¹⁷ Cleavage, using boron tribromide ($-78\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$, CH_2Cl_2), gave the (*R*)(+)-diol **17** which exhibited virtually mirror image Cotton curves with the (*S*)(-) enantiomer (Figure 2). The optical rotation of (+)-**17**, when compared to the known rotation of (-)-**17**, indicated $\sim 100\%$ ee, once again the result of enantiomeric enrichment in going from **5** ($\text{R} = \text{MeO}$) to **7** ($\text{R} = \text{MeO}$) (Table I). The absolute configurations of **7** ($\text{R} = \text{H}$, Me, MeO) and **13** were further substantiated from their CD spectra (Figure 1).

A preliminary rationalization of the sense of asymmetric coupling (**4** \rightarrow **5**) can be advanced by examining the initially formed adducts (Figure 3), which after loss of $\text{Mg}(\text{OMe})\text{Br}$ leads to the observed chiral binaphthyls **5**. For the H and Me substituted systems, the approach of the naphthalene Grignard reagent will be most accessible with the unsubstituted ring at the maximum

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distance from the 5-phenyl substituent in the oxazoline. For the methoxy-substituted naphthalene, chelation with the magnesium appears to override the steric effect and leads to the observed opposite configuration. Further experiments will need to be performed in order to gain additional insight into this process.

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Chiral Leaving Groups Induce Asymmetry in Syntheses of Binaphthyls in Nucleophilic Aromatic Substitution Reactions¹

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The binaphthyl unit has enjoyed extensive use in the design and syntheses of chiral hosts for resolving amino acids by complexation², of chiral catalysts for organic carbon-carbon³ or carbon-hydrogen⁴ bond-making reactions, and of chiral reagents for reducing ketones to optically active alcohols.⁵ The degrees of chiral recognition, induction, and transfer observed for these binaphthyl compounds have been among the highest reported and have been attributed to the rigidity and freedom from conformational ambiguity in the complexes or transition states involved.²⁻⁵ In some cases, the direction of the configurational bias has been rationalizable on stereoelectronic grounds.²⁻⁵ These facts stimulated our search for methods of synthesizing optically active substituted binaphthyl compounds that avoid classical resolution methods. We report here the syntheses of substituted binaphthyl compounds in high to medium optical yields through nucleophilic aromatic substitution reactions in which the leaving groups are asymmetric alkoxy moieties derived from naturally occurring alcohols. The results provide the first examples of asymmetric induction by chiral leaving groups in nucleophilic substitution reactions at carbon.⁶

The 4,4-dimethyl- Δ^2 -oxazoline (a masked carboxyl group that Meyers has developed so successfully)⁷ was selected as the ac-

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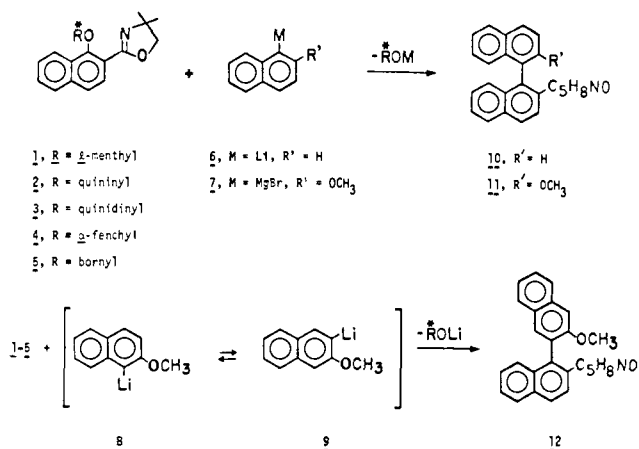
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Scheme I



ivating substituent for the nucleophilic aromatic substitution reaction formulated. The *l*-menthoxy in **1**,^{8,9} quinoinoxy in **2**,^{8,9} quinindinoxy in **3**,^{8,9} *a*-fenchoxy in **4**,^{8,9} and bornoxy in **5**,^{8,9} served as leaving groups. Ethers **1** and **4** were produced in 70% and 88% respective yields by heating α -methoxy- β -oxazolinonaphthalene⁸⁻¹⁰ in *l*-menthol-sodium *l*-menthoxide (90 °C, 3.5 h) or in *a*-fenchol-sodium *a*-fenchoxide (90 °C, 6 h), respectively. Ethers **1-5**¹¹ were synthesized from α -bromo- β -oxazolinonaphthalene and the corresponding sodium alkoxide (NaH + ROH) in DMF at 50 °C in 87% (5 h), 67% (20 h), 45% (15 h), 83% (15 h), and 73% (3 h) yields, respectively. The nucleophiles that gave normal products were α -naphthyllithium (**6**) and β -methoxy- α -naphthylmagnesium bromide (**7**). The normal products were binaphthyl compounds **10** and **11**, respectively. The reactions to give **10**,^{8,9,12} were run in (CH₂)₄O at -42 °C, the chemical yields were 83-12%, and the optical yields were 80-10% ee. The reactions to give **11**,^{8,9,13} were run at 80 °C in C₆H₆, the chemical yields were 65-7%, and the optical yields were 94-48% ee. Table I summarizes the results.

When **1-5** were treated with **8** at -20 °C in (CH₂)₄O, only rearranged product **12**,^{8,9,14} was produced in chemical yields of

(8) These new compounds gave C + H (and N where applicable) elementary analyses within 0.30 of theory and the expected ¹H NMR spectra (200-MHz Bruker instrument).

(9) These compounds gave the expected molecular ions in their mass spectra.

(10) Conversion of α -bromo- β -naphthalenecarboxylic acid [Newman, M. S.; Dhawan, B.; Tuncay, A. *J. Org. Chem.* **1976**, *41*, 3924-3925. Hall, D. M.; Turner, E. E. *J. Chem. Soc.* **1955**, 1242-1251] to α -bromo- β -oxazolinonaphthalene (mp 102-106 °C) by the Meyers method⁷ was achieved in 74% yield.

(11) Ether **1** gave mp 71-73 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -66.8° (c 5.0, CHCl₃); **2** gave mp 97-100 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ 50.5° (c 5.01, (CH₂)₄O) (this sample contains 1 equiv of acetone of crystallization); **3** gave mp 135-137 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -97.2° (c 5.2, (CH₂)₄O); **4** gave mp 80-83 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ 38.6° (c 5.1, (CH₂)₄O); **5** gave mp 99-102 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -48.0° (c 4.9, (CH₂)₄O).

(12) The reaction of **1** with **6** exemplifies the procedure. To a solution at -78 °C of 0.75 mL of α -bromonaphthalene (see: Jones, M.; Capworth, A. *J. Chem. Soc.* **1914**, 105, 1804-1809, for purification) in 12 mL of (CH₂)₄O was added 5.00 mmol of *sec*-butyllithium. After standing at -78 °C, the mixture was warmed to -42 °C. A 2 mL (CH₂)₄O solution of 0.40 g of **1** was added, and the resulting solution was stirred at -42 °C for 1 h. The mixture was quenched at -42 °C with 5 mL of saturated aqueous NH₄Cl solution. The usual isolation by extraction-evaporation gave a yellow oil, which when submitted to medium-pressure chromatography (SiO₂, CH₂Cl₂) gave **10** (0.29 g). An analytical sample was prepared by submitting this material to additional thick layer chromatography (Al₂O₃, 1:1 (v/v) toluene/hexane).

(13) The reaction of **1** with **7** illustrates the procedure. A solution of α -bromo- β -methoxynaphthalene (8.0 g) in 30 mL of benzene was added to 1.0 g of magnesium turnings just covered with ether under N₂. The mixture was refluxed for 3 h, the ether evaporated, and the Grignard reagent was added through a fritted funnel to a refluxing solution of **1** in 6 mL of dry benzene. The solution was refluxed for 2 h, cooled, and mixed with 50 mL of a saturated aqueous NH₄Cl solution. Crude product was isolated by the usual extraction-evaporation procedure. The resulting brown oil was chromatographed on 100 g of SiO₂ with gradient elution [100% (CH₂)₆ to 100% CH₂Cl₂, to 100% Et₂O] and gave 1.08 g of **11** and 0.50 g of β -oxazolinonaphthalol. An analytical sample of **11** was prepared by thick layer chromatography (Al₂O₃, CH₂Cl₂).

67-20% and optical yields of $\geq 95\%$ to 8% ee (see Table I).¹⁵ Treatment of **1** with **9**¹⁶ under the same conditions gave **12** in 92% chemical and 92% optical yields. Possibly **8** and **9** equilibrate through successive metalation reactions through traces of protonated materials.¹⁷ Since **9** is the less hindered, it reacts faster with **1-5** than does **8**. When α -bromo- β -methoxynaphthalene¹⁸ was metalated in (CH₂)₄O at -30 °C and the product was carbonated, a 6:1 ratio of γ -methoxy- β -naphthoic to β -methoxy- α -naphthoic acid was produced (78%).

The absolute configurations of binaphthyl compounds **10** and **11** were determined by the conversions of optically active samples to products **14**, **17**, and **19** of established absolute configurations¹⁹ by the sequences formulated.²⁰ Unexpectedly, (*R*)-**17** changes its sign of rotation at $\lambda = 589$ nm when the solvent is changed from (CH₂)₄O to CH₃OH. Our series of interconversions, as well as those of Meyers and Lutomski,²¹ confirm the Yamaguchi^{19b} observation that the Yamada^{19a} and Berson²² configurational assignment of **17** is incorrect.

The direction of the configurational bias was probably governed by steric differences in the diastereomeric σ complexes that intervene as intermediates in these reactions. Interestingly, with

(14) The reaction of **1** with **8** illustrates the procedure. To a solution of 0.011 mol of α -bromo- β -methoxynaphthalene in 10 mL of (CH₂)₄O at -78 °C was added 0.010 mol of *sec*-butyllithium. The mixture was stirred at -78 °C for 1.5 h and warmed to -20 °C. A solution of 2.11 mmol of **1** in 4.5 mL of (CH₂)₄O was added, and the resulting mixture was stirred at -20 °C for 9.5 h. The product was isolated in the usual way and chromatographed (Al₂O₃, CH₂Cl₂) to give 0.23 g of recovered **1** and 0.39 g of **12**. An analytical sample of **12** was prepared by thick layer chromatography (SiO₂, 5% Et₂O in CH₂Cl₂).

(15) The maximum rotations for (*R*)- and (*S*)-**10**, (*R*)- and (*S*)-**11**, and (*R*)- and (*S*)-**12** were calculated from shift reagent data (footnote e, Table I). To check that of **11**, a 1.7-g sample of **11**, 82% enantiomerically enriched in the *R* isomer, was hydrolyzed under basic conditions^{7a} to 84% of methoxy acid **15**, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -23.0° (c 1.2, (CH₂)₄O), mp 150-180° (whole sample). This material was brought to 94% ee by crystallization from benzene and then brought to maximum rotation by three recrystallizations of its quinidine salt to give (*R*)-**15**,⁸ [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -28.3° (c 1.2, (CH₂)₄O), mp 190-193 °C. Calculation of the maximum rotation of **11** from these data provides [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -123.8° (c 2.0, (CH₂)₄O), close to that of -124° calculated from shift reagent data.

(16) Lithiation of β -methoxynaphthalene [Fowler, R. G.; Caswell, L. R.; Sue, L. I. *J. Heterocycl. Chem.* **1973**, *10*, 405-406] followed by treatment of the resulting organometallic with 1.0 equiv of Br produced a 5:1 mixture (¹H NMR analysis) of β -methoxynaphthalene and β -methoxy- α -bromonaphthalene. Crystallization of the latter from hexane followed by reworking the filtrates gave β -methoxy- α -bromonaphthalene (15%), mp 71-73 °C (see: Clemo, G. R.; Spence, R. *J. Chem. Soc.* **1928**, 2811-2819). Treatment of this material in (CH₂)₄O at -78 °C with 0.99 equiv of *sec*-butyllithium gave **9**.

(17) The arrangement probably is a simple acid-base reaction of **8** to give the more stable **9** in the presence of a small amount of unreacted starting material or β -methoxynaphthalene. For similar rearrangements, see: Wittig, G.; Benz, E. *Chem. Ber.* **1959**, *92*, 1999-2103. Barnes, R. A.; Bush, W. M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1959**, *81*, 4705.

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(20) Product **10**, 0.80 g, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ +31.8° (c 3.4, (CH₂)₄O) was hydrolyzed under basic conditions^{7a} to give **13**, 0.45 g, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -11.76° (c 2.8, C₆H₆), mp 174-181 °C. A 0.40-g sample of **13** was refluxed with SOCl₂ and a trace of DMF, and the resulting acid chloride was rearranged to amine **14** by the procedure applied to rearrange 2,2'-carboxy-1,1'-binaphthyl chloride to its corresponding diamine. Crude **14** was purified by thick layer chromatography on alumina (toluene) and was decolorized by a charcoal treatment. The resulting white solid was crystallized to give **14** (0.19 g, mp 187-189 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ +13.70° (c 1.1, (CH₂)₄O), see ref 19). A sample of **11** (1.15 g, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -84.7° (c 2.3, (CH₂)₄O)) was hydrolyzed under basic conditions^{7a} to give **15** (0.84 g, mp 188-235 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -19.6°, c 1.2, (CH₂)₄O). On twice the scale used for conversion of **13** to **14** and by the same procedure (see above), **15** was converted to its corresponding amine. This compound was diazotized with NaNO₂ in 5 N hydrochloric acid. The red diazonium salt was reduced by treatment with H₂PO₃¹⁹ at 4 °C to give an orange oil, which was thick layer chromatographed (SiO₂, 5% CH₂Cl₂ in petroleum ether (V)) to give **16** as a white foam, 0.50 g, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -33.24° (c 2.1, (CH₂)₄O). Treatment of a CH₂Cl₂ solution of **16** with 12 equiv of BBr₃ gave 0.42 g of an oil which was purified by thick layer chromatography (SiO₂-CH₂Cl₂) followed by crystallization (CH₃OH) to give **17**, 0.32 g, mp 121-145 °C, [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ +6.7° (c 1.0, (CH₂)₄O), [α]₂₅⁵⁷⁸ -0.95° (c 2.0, CH₃OH) (see ref 21 for procedure for conversion of **15** to **19**).

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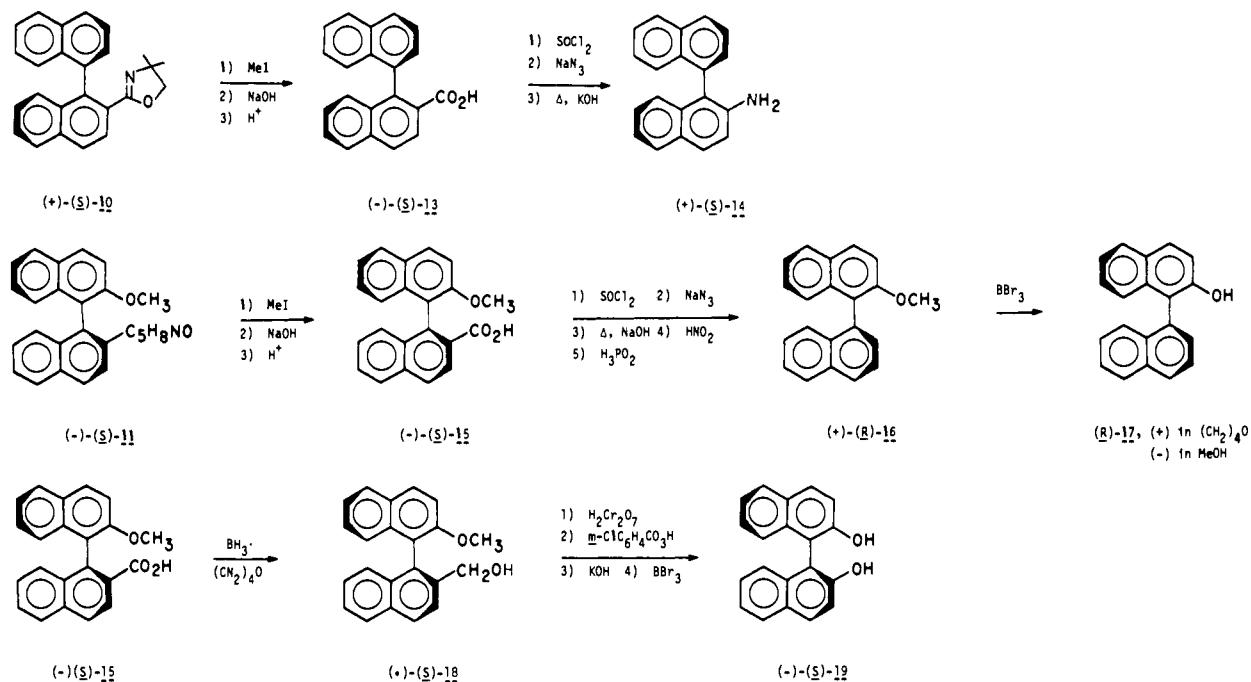
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Table I. Asymmetric Induction by Chiral Leaving Groups in Aromatic Nucleophilic Substitutions

run no.	substrate ^a		nucleophile ^b	reaction conditions ^c			product ^d				
	compd	leaving group		solvent	temp, °C	time, h	struct	% yld	% opt yld ^e	config ^f	$\Delta(\Delta G^\ddagger)$, ^g kcal mol ⁻¹
1	1	<i>l</i> -menthoxy	6	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-42	1	10	80	67	<i>S</i>	0.7
2	2	quininoxy	6	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-42	1	10	12	80	<i>S</i>	1.0
3	3	quinidinoxy	6	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-42	0.75	10	15	81	<i>R</i>	1.0
4	4	α -fenchoxy	6	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-42	5	10	78	45	<i>S</i>	0.4
5	5	bornoxy	6	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-42	1	10	83	10	<i>R</i>	0.09
6 ^h	1	<i>l</i> -menthoxy	7	C ₆ H ₆	80	2	11	53	78	<i>S</i>	1.5
7	2	quininoxy	7	C ₆ H ₆	80	0.8	11	7	94	<i>R</i>	2.4
8	3	quinidinoxy	7	C ₆ H ₆	80	0.8	11	27	84	<i>S</i>	1.7
9	4	α -fenchoxy	7	C ₆ H ₆	80	9	11	65	48	<i>S</i>	0.8
10	1	<i>l</i> -menthoxy	8	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-20	9.5	12	68	≥95	(+)	>1.8
11	2	quininoxy	8	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-20	4	12	20	87	(+)	1.3
12	3	quinidinoxy	8	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-20	1.25	12	22	84	(-)	1.2
13	4	α -fenchoxy	8	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-20	9.5	12	88	77	(+)	1.0
14	5	bornoxy	8	(CH ₂) ₄ O	-20	10	12	67	8	(+)	0.08

^a See ref 11. ^b Treatment of α -bromonaphthalene in (CH₂)₄O at -78 °C with 0.93 equiv of BuLi in hexane gave 6. Treatment of α -bromo- β -methoxynaphthalene in ether with 1.26 equiv of Mg gave 7. The ether was displaced with C₆H₆ by distillation-addition procedure. Treatment of α -bromo- β -methoxynaphthalene in (CH₂)₄O with 0.91 equiv of BuLi in hexane gave 8, which in turn produced 8 \rightleftharpoons 9. ^c Solvents were purified and dried, and reactions carried out in a N₂ atmosphere. In runs 6-9, β -oxazolino- α -naphthol was isolated as byproduct. ^d Yields were not maximized. Products were isolated by chromatography on silica gel and alumina, care being taken not to optically fractionate. ^e Optical purities given as % ee were determined with Eu(tfc)₃ shift reagent in (CD₂)₆ for runs 6-9 and in CDCl₃ for runs 1-5 and 10-14 by ¹H NMR spectral methods with a Bruker 200-MHz instrument on analytically pure samples. Extrapolated maximum rotations in (CH₂)₄O as $[\alpha]^{25}_{D}$ values are calculated to be the following: for 10 at *c* 2.6, ± 118.5 ($\pm 3.4^\circ$) excluding the least accurate run 5 values; for 11 at *c* 2.0, ± 124 ($\pm 0.8^\circ$); for 12 at *c* 3.2, ± 36.1 ($\pm 0.5^\circ$). ^f For those of 10 and 11, see text. That of 12 was not determined. ^g The differences in diastereomeric transition-state free energies. ^h When run for 1 day at 25 °C and 2 days at reflux in 1:1 (v/v) ether-benzene, a 33% yield of 11 of 87% optical purity was obtained.

Scheme II



l-menthoxy and α -fenchoxy leaving groups, the direction of the configurational bias changed when a β -methoxy group was substituted for a hydrogen in the α -naphthyl nucleophile (compare run 1 with 6 and 4 with 9). However, with quininoxy and quinidinoxy leaving groups, the direction of the conformational bias was independent of whether the β -methoxy group was present in the nucleophile (compare run 2 with 7 and 3 with 8). Since quininoxy and quinidinoxy have opposite configurations at the two asymmetric centers closest to the seat of reaction, it was not surprising that they produced opposite directions of configurational bias which were of about the same magnitude (compare run 2 with 7, 7 with 8 and 11 with 12). Examination of CPK molecular models of diastereomeric σ complexes with various leaving groups and nucleophiles provided too many conformational alternatives for meaningful correlations to be made between structure and

direction of configurational bias.

The *l*-menthoxy leaving group provided the maximum chiral reaction efficiency, which we define by eq 1. Thus, in runs 1, chiral reaction efficiency =

$$(\% \text{ chemical yield} \times \% \text{ optical yield}) / 100\% \quad (1)$$

6, and 10, the chiral reaction efficiencies were 54%, 41%, and 65%, respectively. The least hindered nucleophile, β -methoxy- γ -naphthyllithium, reacting with 1 (run 10) gave the highest optical yield ($\geq 95\%$ ee) and the highest $\Delta(\Delta G^\ddagger)$ value (≥ 1.8 kcal mol⁻¹). In general, the more spherical and least dissymmetric α -fenchoxy and bornoxy groups gave the lowest optical yields. The α -fenchoxy ether required the longest reaction times, a fact that correlates with its forming the most hindered σ complexes in molecular models. Although the leaving groups based on the alkaloids were

the most consistent in giving high optical yields, they also consistently gave the lowest chemical yields, probably due to side reactions. It is likely that leaving groups could be designed to give substantially higher chiral reaction efficiencies than those reported here.

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A New, General Route to η^5 -Vinylcyclopentadienyl Organometallic Monomers

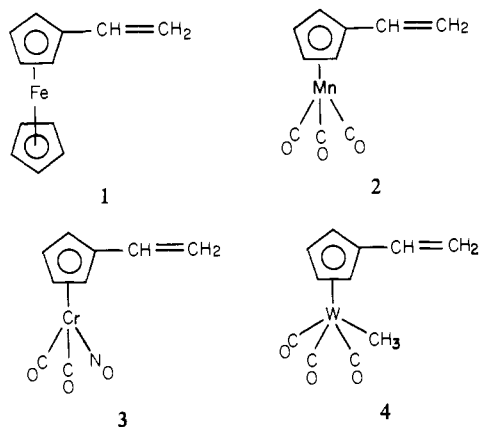
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Organometallic polymers are useful in a variety of applications such as catalysts, UV absorbers, semiconductors, and antifouling agents.¹⁻³ In spite of these potential applications, very few η^5 -vinylcyclopentadienyl organometallic monomers are known. Indeed, only vinylferrocene (**1**),⁴ vinylcymantrene (**2**),^{5,6} vinylcynichrodene (**3**),^{7,8} and (η^5 -vinylcyclopentadienyl)tricarbonylmethyltungsten (**4**)^{9,10} have been studied in detail under homo- and copolymerization conditions. The paucity of η^5 -vinylcyclo-



pentadienyl monomers stems in part from a lack of suitable synthetic methods, which, in turn, is due to the failure of most

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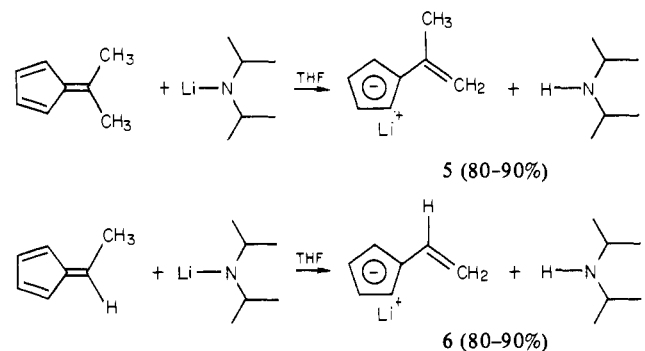
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η^5 -cyclopentadienylmetal compounds to undergo aromatic-type ring substitution reactions. We have recently overcome part of this problem with the development of a new method for the formation of various functionally substituted η^5 -cyclopentadienylmetal compounds.¹¹

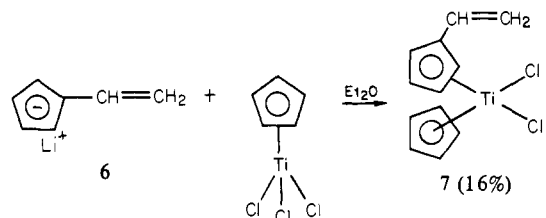
We now report the development of a new and apparently general route for the synthesis of a wide variety of η^5 -vinylcyclopentadienyl organometallic monomers. This method provides a convenient means of introducing vinyl substituents directly onto η^5 -cyclopentadienyl rings in systems which are incapable of undergoing electrophilic aromatic substitution.

6,6-Dimethylfulvene and 6-methylfulvene react with lithium diisopropylamide in THF at 25 °C to produce isopropenylcyclopentadienyllithium (**5**) and vinylcyclopentadienyllithium (**6**), respectively, in yields of 80-90%. The solid products are air



sensitive, as is cyclopentadienyllithium itself. The ¹H NMR spectrum of **5**¹² is in agreement with a recent report by Schore et al.¹³ The ¹H NMR spectrum of the previously unknown compound **6** exhibits two apparent triplets due to the cyclopentadienyl protons as well as the typical ABX pattern for a terminal vinyl group (Figure 1).

The reaction between organolithium reagent **6** and η^5 -cyclopentadienyltrichlorotitanium in ethyl ether produces (η^5 -vinylcyclopentadienyl) η^5 -cyclopentadienyldichlorotitanium (**7**) (mp 154-157 °C, 16%).¹⁴ Polymers of **7** after reduction could function



as hydrogenation catalysts similarly to polystyrene-bound titanocene dichloride.¹⁵ Further investigations into the synthesis of other titanocene-type monomers are in progress.¹⁶

Organolithium reagents **5** and **6** react with molybdenum hexacarbonyl and with tris(dimethylformamide)tricarbonyltungsten in refluxing THF to give η^5 -vinylcyclopentadienyl monomers of these metals. Nitrosylation of the intermediate metal carbonyl anions with *N*-methyl-*N*-nitroso-*p*-toluenesulfonamide has afforded monomers **8** (liquid, 58%), **9** (mp 27-29 °C, 93%), **10** (mp 22-23 °C, 36%), and **11** (mp 38-40 °C, 24%). This completes the series

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