

Figure 2. Fluorescence spectra of 1-naphthol (2.0×10^{-4} M) in the presence of 0, 4, 8, 12, 16, 20 and 25 mM of NND for curves 1-7, respectively, in dioxane at 20 °C.

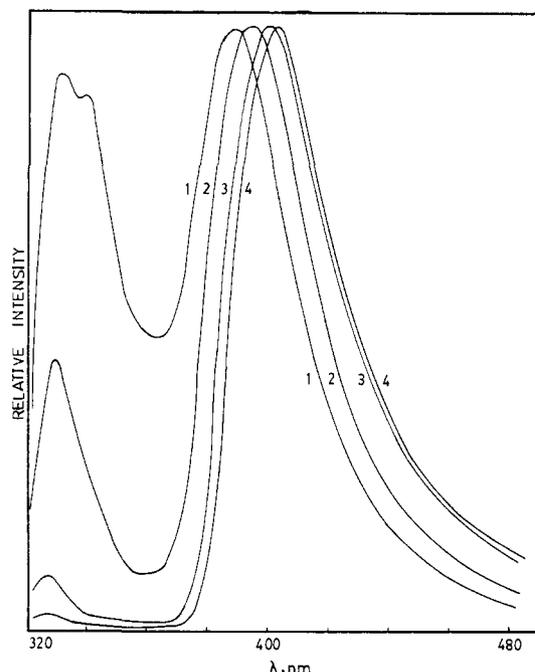


Figure 3. Fluorescence spectra of 1-naphthol (2.0×10^{-4} M) in the presence of [NND] at 0.01, 0.03, 0.07, and 0.10 M for curves 1-4, respectively, in acetonitrile at 20 °C: curves 2-4 were normalized at 390-410 nm with respect to curve 1.

to the 1-naphtholate fluorescence in the ion pair **3**. Its intensity is low probably owing to the rapid decomposition to the aminium and nitric oxide radicals as in $\mathbf{3} \rightarrow \mathbf{4}$. The precise mechanism of this step is unclear but may be regarded as energy migration within the ion pair **3** to cause the homolysis of proton associated NND.²⁴ Within exciplexes, the lowest singlet-excited-state phenolates certainly possess enough energy to cause the homolysis of the N-N bond of NND (≈ 40 kcal/mol).²⁵

(24) The energy level of the lowest singlet-state NND is calculated from the longest absorption maximum of NND (375 nm) at -150 °C in ethanol-methanol to be 76 kcal/mol. However, within exciplexes, the classical collisional energy transfer is not necessarily the only way for the energy migration.

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While there are a number of mechanisms that can be written for the nitrosation step from **4**, electron transfer followed by radical coupling as in $\mathbf{4} \rightarrow \mathbf{5} \rightarrow$ monooxime is the simplest route. In conclusion, singlet-state phenols can provide enhanced acidity and excitation energy to promote a substantial chemical transformation if such reactions occur within the lifetimes of phenol-phenolate couples.

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Registry No. 1-NpO⁻, 17545-30-1; NND, 62-75-9; 1-NpOH, 90-15-3; 2-allyl-1-naphthalenol ion (1-), 95739-59-6; 2-naphthalenol ion (1-), 15147-55-4; 1-anthracenol ion (1-), 22718-00-9; 9-anthracenol ion (1-), 56709-95-6; 2-allyl-1-naphthalenol, 28164-58-1; 2-naphthalenol, 135-19-3; 1-anthracenol, 610-50-4; 9-anthracenol, 529-86-2; 1,4-naphthalenedione monooxime, 4965-30-4; 2-allyl-1,4-naphthalenedione 4-oxime, 95739-60-9; 1,2-naphthalenedione 1-oxime, 2636-79-5; 1,4-anthracenedione monooxime, 31619-42-8; 9,10-anthracenedione monooxime, 14090-75-6.

Supplementary Material Available: Tables of analytical data for oximes, a graph of the quenching of 1-naphthol fluorescence, and a plot of the fluorescence spectra of 2-naphthol (4 pages). Ordering information is given on any current masthead page.

syn-[2.2]Metacyclophane: Synthesis and Facile Isomerization to *anti*-[2.2]Metacyclophane. The use of (Arene)chromium Carbonyl Complexes To Control the Stereochemistry of Cyclophanes¹

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anti-[2.2]Metacyclophane (**1**) was probably prepared as early as 1899,² though definitely in 1950,³ and since that time has been the subject of much study.⁴ *syn*-[2.2]Metacyclophane (**2**), however, has remained unknown. We now report its preparation and facile isomerization to **1**.

In 1970,⁵ we thought that we had prepared a bis(methylthio) derivative of **2**, but on reinvestigation we have found that this compound was a mixture of two *anti*-cyclophanes **4**, whose 100-MHz ¹H NMR fortuitously was consistent with the *syn* structure previously assigned. Repeated careful chromatography separated the mixture, and 250 MHz ¹H NMR spectra then led to their assignment as the 1(e),3(e) and 1(e),4(e) *anti* isomers **4A** and **4B**, respectively. Thus the only authentic *syn*-[2.2]metacyclophane derivatives known^{5b,6} are those with internal methyl substituents, where the substituent raises the barrier for the *syn* → *anti* isomerization. Interestingly even there the parent compound has not yet been prepared.

It has been observed that the presence of electron-withdrawing substituents on one benzene ring favors *syn*-2,11-dithia[3.3]-metacyclophane formation over that of the *anti* conformer.

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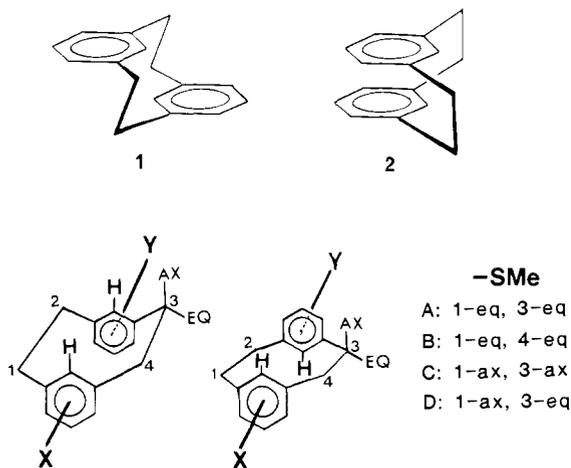
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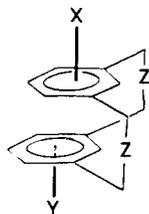
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X	Y	X	Y
3: Absent	Absent	4: Absent	Absent
6: Cr(CO) ₃	Absent	7: Cr(CO) ₃	Absent
9: Cr(CO) ₃	Cr(CO) ₃	10: Cr(CO) ₃	Cr(CO) ₃

However, subsequent removal of such substituents after expulsion of sulfur and ring contraction to give the parent cyclophanes has not yet proved possible.^{6,7} We therefore thought that use of an (arene)chromium tricarbonyl derivative would solve this problem, in that the strong electron-withdrawing nature of the Cr(CO)₃ fragment would stabilize *syn*-cyclophanes by charge transfer across the cofacial decks⁶ and yet would be easily removed⁸ later.

No (arene)chromium tricarbonyl derivatives of simple thia-cyclophanes are known;⁹ however, reflux of *syn*-2,11-dithia-[3.3]metacyclophane with Cr(CO)₆ in *n*-Bu₂O readily gave 70% of *syn*-5. The internal hydrogens of 5 appeared at δ 7.23 and 4.83 clearly confirming the *syn* configuration.



5: X=Cr(CO) ₃ , Y=Absent, Z=S
8: X=Y=Cr(CO) ₃ , Z=S
11: X=Cr(CO) ₃ , Y=Z=Absent
12: X=Y=Cr(CO) ₃ , Z=Absent

Methylation of 5 with (CH₃O)₂CHBF₄ followed by Stevens rearrangement³ gave (70%) the *syn*-[2.2]metacyclophane 6D, as yellow crystals, mp 120–121 °C. The *syn* configuration of 6D was confirmed by (i) the internal hydrogen signals at δ 6.93 and 5.51, (ii) an X-ray crystallographic structure determination,¹¹ and

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 (10) Note, however, we find that whereas *syn*-9,18-dimethyl-2,11-dithia-[3.3]metacyclophane reacts readily with Cr(CO)₆ to give (70%) the Cr(CO)₃ adduct (mp 202 °C dec, the anti isomer is resistant and requires the more reactive Cr(CO)₃(CH₃CN)₃ and then only gives 20% of product mp 220 °C dec.

(11) The crystal structure was triclinic, space group *P* $\bar{1}$ (No. 2), with *a* = 10.087 (6) Å, *b* = 11.276 (7) Å, *c* = 9.739 (5) Å, α = 112.42 (4)°, β = 98.21 (4)°, γ = 82.91 (4)°, *D*_{meas} = 1.422 g/cm³, *D*_{calcd} = 1.434 g/cm³, *Z* = 2 molecules per cell. Measurements were made on a Picker 4-circle diffractometer, automated with a PDP11 computer. The structure was solved by direct methods and refined by least squares to *R* = 0.0391 and *R*_w = 0.0517 for 1599 observations [*I* > 2 σ (*I*)] and 302 parameters. The angle between the aromatic ring mean planes is 28.8°. The structural details will be published elsewhere.

(iii) isomerization (80 °C, 1 h) to the *anti*-cyclophane in which both SMe groups are now axial, 7C, mp 128 °C, internal hydrogens at δ 5.91 and 3.42. This was further confirmed by removal of the chromium from 7C with Ce^{IV} in CH₃CN to give 4C.^{5b} Treatment of 4C with Cr(CO)₆ in *n*-Bu₂O regenerated 7C, confirming its structure. Treatment of 6D with Ce^{IV} in CH₃CN at –35 °C, followed by isolation and chromatography of the product also at –35 °C, gave the first *syn*-[2.2]metacyclophane, 3D, in which the internal hydrogens were at δ 7.04 and 6.75 and the other aromatic hydrogens were shielded by the cofacial rings at δ 7.00–6.30. If a solution of 3D were allowed to warm above 0 °C, isomerization to the *anti*-cyclophane 4A occurred.

When 6D isomerizes to 7C, the 3(e)-SMe \rightarrow 3(a)-SMe, i.e., the noncomplexed ring flips, whereas when 3D isomerizes to 4A, the 1(a)-SMe \rightarrow 1(e)-SMe, indicating that the opposite ring has flipped. Attempted removal of the SMe groups from either 3D or 6D by Li/NH₃ reduction at –40 °C unfortunately only gave complexed and uncomplexed *anti*-cyclophane 1, because ring flip of the uncomplexed ring probably occurred during the reduction, along with some decomplexation. We thus, using excess Cr(CO)₆, prepared in 62% yield the bis complex 8, mp 199–201 °C, which would not be expected to ring flip readily. Stevens rearrangement gave 9D in 40% yield, which on reduction with Li/NH₃ at –40 °C yielded a mixture of 11 and 12, the first derivatives of unsubstituted 2 known. 11 isomerizes on heating by flipping the uncomplexed ring to give the known complexed *anti*-cyclophane.¹² The ¹H NMR spectrum of 12 shows the internal hydrogens at δ 5.09 and the external hydrogens at δ 5.10 and 4.75, with bridge protons at δ 2.98–2.79, which leaves no doubt as to its structural assignment. Removal of the complexing Cr(CO)₃ moiety with *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid or Ce^{IV} at –45 °C in CH₃CN yielded *syn*-[2.2]metacyclophane (2), which rapidly isomerized to 1 above 0 °C. The ¹H NMR spectrum of 2 at –40 °C showed the internal hydrogens at δ 6.58, the external hydrogens at δ 6.36 and 6.60, and the bridge hydrogens at δ 3.14 and 2.85. In due course we hope to obtain a solid sample of 2 and study the kinetics of its isomerization of 1. Thus at last some 25 years after the synthesis of 1 was confirmed, a synthesis of 2 has proved possible using a Cr(CO)₃ moiety to control cyclophane stereochemistry.

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Characterization of 10-Hydroxybacteriochlorophyll *a* by ENDOR and TRIPLE Resonance Spectroscopy

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Although the bacteriochlorophyll *a* (BChl *a*, see Figure 1) radical cation plays a central role as a primary photoproduct in bacterial photosynthesis,^{1–4} a detailed map of its spin density distribution was difficult to obtain for the following reasons: (i) the parent compound BChl *a* was unstable and was frequently

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