

# Facile Construction of a Tricyclo[5.3.0.0<sup>1,4</sup>]decenone Ring System by the Brook Rearrangement-Mediated [3 + 4] Annulation

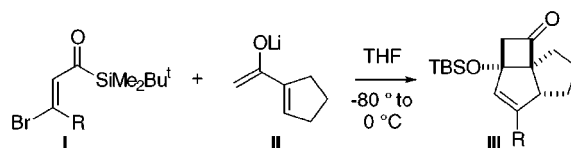
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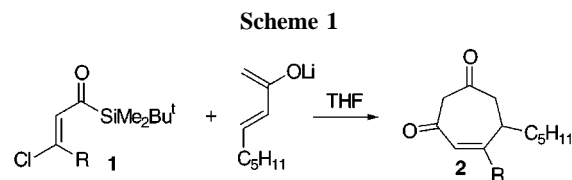
## ABSTRACT



Reaction of 3-alkyl-3-haloacryloylsilanes **I** with the lithium enolate of 1-acetyl-1-cyclopentene **II** afforded tricyclo[5.3.0.0<sup>1,4</sup>]decenone derivatives **III** via Brook rearrangement-mediated [3 + 4] annulation.

Recently, we have reported that the reaction of  $\beta$ , $\beta$ -dichloroacryloylsilane with ketone enolates proceeds smoothly at lower temperatures to afford 3-alkyl-3-chloro-4-hydroxy-2-cyclopentenone derivatives via Brook rearrangement-mediated [3 + 2] annulation followed by dechlorosilylation.<sup>1,2</sup> Herein, we describe the direct formation of tricyclo[5.3.0.0<sup>1,4</sup>]decenone ring system from the reaction of  $\beta$ -alkyl- $\beta$ -haloacryloylsilane with the lithium enolate of 1-acetyl-1-cyclopentene, which was found during an extension of the [3 + 2] annulation for the formation of cycloheptenedione derivatives by the [3 + 4] annulation<sup>3</sup> using enolates of alkenyl methyl ketones.

Our initial attempt to react  $\beta$ -chloro- $\beta$ -methylacryloylsilane **1a**<sup>4</sup> with the lithium enolate of 3-nonen-2-one produced the corresponding [3 + 4] annulation–dechlorosilylation product **2a** in 75% yield (Scheme 1). Additional examples using acyclic enone enolates are given in Scheme 1.



R	conditions	yield (%)
<b>a</b> CH <sub>3</sub>	-80 ° to 0 °C	75
<b>b</b> <i>n</i> -Bu	-80 ° to 0 °C	41
<b>c</b> <i>n</i> -hexyl	-80 ° to 0 °C	33
<b>d</b> <i>t</i> -Bu	rt	54

In sharp contrast to these results, reaction of **1** with the enolate of 1-acetyl-1-cyclopentene (**3**) produced tricyclo-

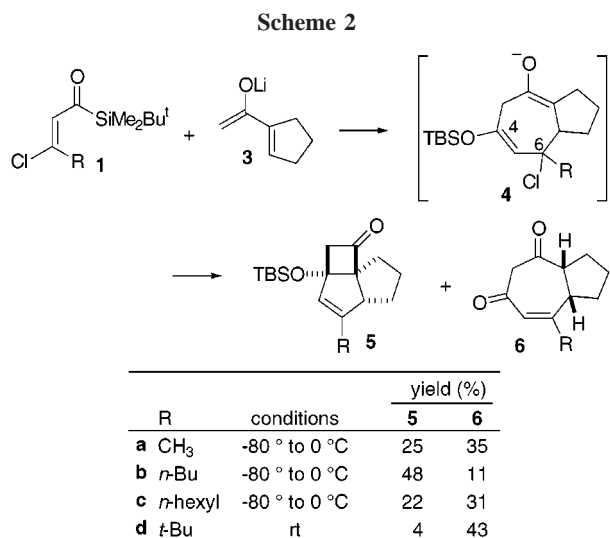
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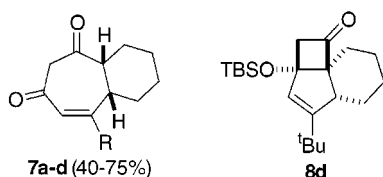
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[5.3.0.0<sup>1,4</sup>]decenone derivatives **5**<sup>5</sup> in yields dependent upon the  $\beta$ -substituent of **1**, in addition to **6**, a [3 + 4] annulation–dechlorosilylation product (Scheme 2). The formation of **5**



can be understood in terms of an S<sub>N</sub>'-like intramolecular attack of the enolate at C-4 position in the intermediate **4**.

In the reactions with enolates of 1-acetyl-1-cyclohexene, **7** was the only product except for R = *t*-Bu where the corresponding tricyclic compound **8d** was obtained in 9% yield (50% yield of **7d**) (Figure 1).

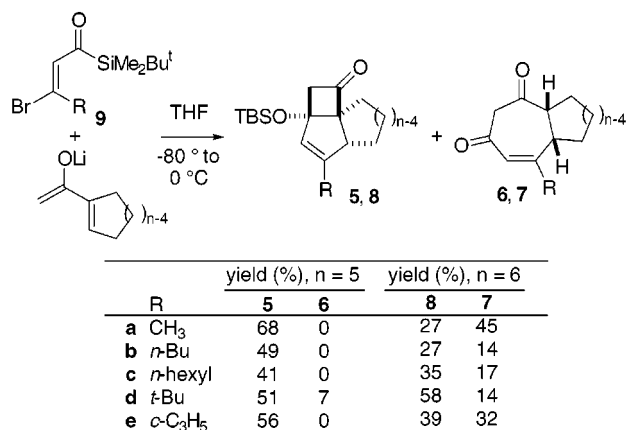


**Figure 1.**

These results suggest that small structural changes in **1** and the enolates significantly affect the product distributions and led us to consider replacing the chlorine atom with a better leaving group. When the  $\beta$ -bromo derivative **9**<sup>4</sup> was reacted with **3** under the same conditions as those for the  $\beta$ -chloroderivative **1** (Scheme 3), **5** was obtained as a sole product in all cases except for **9d** (R = *t*-Bu) where 7% of **6** was isolated. The same reaction with the enolate of 1-acetylcyclohexene afforded the corresponding tricyclic compounds **8** in moderate yield, in sharp contrast to the reaction with **1** in which only substrate **1d** afforded a tricyclic product (**8d**).

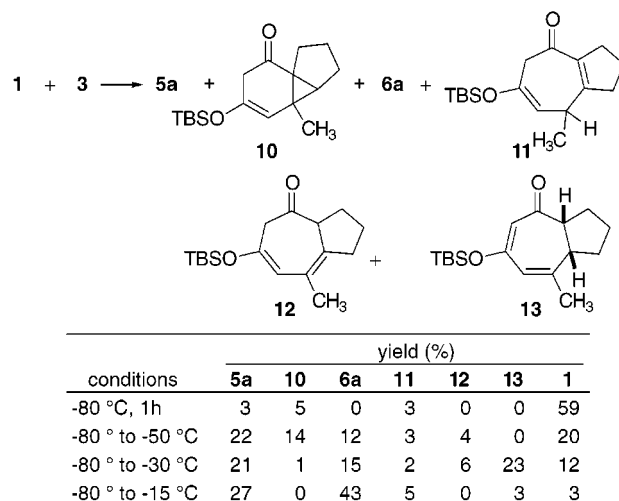
(5) The structures were assigned on the basis of their IR spectra, which showed a peak at 1775 cm<sup>-1</sup>, and confirmed by a X-ray analysis of **5a** after derivatization.

**Scheme 3**



A low-temperature quenching experiment was carried out using **1a** to gain information on the reaction path for the formation of the tricyclic compound **5** and the cycloheptenedione **6** (Scheme 4). Tricyclic compound **10**,<sup>6</sup> an in-

**Scheme 4**



tramolecular alkylation product of the enolate at C-6 position in **4**, and **11** and its double bond isomers **12** and **13** were isolated. The yield of **6a** increased at the expense of **10** with rising temperature, whereas that of **5a** was relatively constant, suggesting that the major pathway involves the initial formation of **5a** and **10** by way of intramolecular alkylation of the enolate in **4** followed by transformation of **10** to **6a** via **11–13**. In fact, to duplicate the conditions present when LDA was used to generate the enolates, treatment of **10** with LiCl and diisopropylamine in THF at -80 ° to 0 °C afforded **6a** (56%) and **13** (14%), while in the case of **5a**, no reactions occurred under the same conditions.

(6) The structure of **10** was assigned on the basis of its <sup>13</sup>C NMR spectrum that shows peaks assigned as a quaternary carbon at 34.2 and 49.7 ppm and on the basis of its IR absorption at 1685 cm<sup>-1</sup> which is indicative of the cyclopropyl carbonyl moiety with an siloxyvinyl group, see: Lyle, T. A.; Frei, B. *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1981**, *64*, 2598–2605.

In conclusion, we have developed a rapid and efficient route for the synthesis of a tricyclo[5.3.0.0<sup>1,4</sup>]decenone ring system, which is a potentially useful intermediate for synthesizing a variety of biologically significant compounds, but which is difficult to make by other approaches.<sup>7</sup>

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