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## GENERATION OF THIOCARBONYL YLIDES WITH RELEASE OF DISILOXANE FROM BIS(TRIMETHYLSILYLMETHYL) SULFOXIDES<sup>1)</sup>

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**Abstract**: A novel and general method for generation of thiocarbonyl ylide by release of disiloxane from bis(trimethylsilylmethyl) sulfoxide (1) has been found. This method was also demonstrated for generation of aliphatic and aromatic thioaldehyde S-methylide.

Thiocarbonyl ylides have become increasingly attractive for studies on 1,3-dipolar cycloadditions.<sup>2)</sup> Their formation by thermolysis of 1,3,4thiadiazole was discovered by Kellogg and his co-workers<sup>3)</sup> and has been investigated in detail.<sup>4)</sup> Evidence for the existence of thiocarbonyl ylide was provided by Tamagaki and Oae.<sup>5)</sup> We reported a convenient method for generation of trimethylsilylthioaldehyde S-methylide.<sup>6)</sup> However, it is suprising that the parent ylide, thioformaldehyde S-methylide (3) has not been reported. We have now succeeded in the generation of ylide (3) under the neutral and mild conditions and 1,3-cycloaddition with conjugated dipolarophiles. Our strategy involved the release of disiloxane from bis(trimethylsilylmethyl) sulfoxide (1a)<sup>7)</sup> through a pathway related to the sila-Pummerer rearrangement<sup>8)</sup>.





Table I. 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition via Thiocarbonyl Ylides

- a Isolated Yield.
- b 2, 3-cis : 2, 3-trans = 1 : 1.
- c A single stereoisomer was obtained.; see ref. 12.
- d 2,3-cis : 2,3-trans = 1 : 5.; see ref. 12.

The required sulfoxide (1a) for this reaction was prepared from readily available sulfide by oxidation with m-chloroperbenzoic acid in  $CH_2Cl_2$  at  $-70^{\circ}C.^{9)}$  Treatment of 1.5 equiv of 1a with a dipolarophile in HMPA at  $100^{\circ}C^{10)}$  gave the corresponding cycloadduct. As indicated by the representative example in runs 1-5 (Table I), 1,3-cycloaddition of 1a proceeded smoothly to give the tetrahydrothiophenes and 2,5-dihydrothiophenes in good to moderate yields.<sup>11)</sup> This method was also utilized for generation of thiobenzaldehyde S-methylide and phenylthioacetaldehyde S-methylide as shown in runs 6-8.<sup>12)</sup>

Treatment of the rearrangement product 4 with a dipolarophile under similar conditions did not give any cycloadduct. This fact suggests that intermediate 2 partitions between the desired ylide 3 and the sila-Pummerer rearrangement product 4.

Thus we have provided a novel and general method for generation of various thiocarbonyl ylides such as thioformaldehyde S-methylide, and aromatic and aliphatic thioaldehyde S-methylides by employing organosilicon compounds.

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- 9) Sulfoxide 1 was obtained as a sufficiently pure liquid in practice without distillation after the usual workup. 1a: IR (neat) 1028 cm<sup>-1</sup>( $\nu$ SO). <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 90 MHz) & 0.22(18H, s), 2.14(2H, d, J=13.7 Hz), 2.45(2H, d, J=13.7 Hz). 1b: IR (neat) 1035 cm<sup>-1</sup>( $\nu$ SO). 1c: IR (neat) 1030 cm<sup>-1</sup>(SO).
- 10) The reaction was completed in 10 min. after addition of a solution of **la** and a dipolarophile in HMPA to HMPA warmed at 100°C.
- 11) All products gave satisfactory spectral and analytical data consistent with the structures shown. Their <sup>13</sup>C-NMR spectra provided conclusive evidence for cycloadducts. <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ **5a**: bp 150-151°C (15 mmHg). 14.90(q), 33.33(t), 51.10(t), 61.20(d), 171.80(S). **5b**: mp 90-91°C. 22.25 (q), 36.00(t), 48.68(d), 177.93(S). **5C**: mp 152-153°C. 36.52(t), 48.49(d), 126.45(d), 128.73(d), 129.11(d), 132.51(s), 177.60(S). **5d**: bp 90-91°C (15 mmHg). 14.19(q), 30.66(t), 33.43(t), 33.92(t), 48.33(d), 60.79(t), 169.36 (s). **6a**: bp 95-96 (0.5 mmHg). 39.39(t), 52.45(q), 138.46(s), 164.55(s).
- 12) 5e: The ratio of both isomers was determined by gas chromatographic anabp 150-152 (6 mmHg). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>, 90 MHz) δ 13.76(q), 14.14 lysis. (q), 33.32(t), 33.43(t), 48.65(d), 51.74(d), 52.12(d), 54.72(d), 56.78(d), 59.17(d), 60.63(t), 60.90(t), 62.12(t), 61.22(t), 127.70(d), 127.98(d), 128.08(d), 128.52(d), 128.73(d), 169.48(s), 171.32(s), 171.86(s). 5f: mp 166-167°C. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.96(3H, s), 3.15-3.25(1H, m), 3.45-3.60(3H, m), 4.67-4.77(1H, m), 7.30(5H, s). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDC1<sub>3</sub>) δ 25.08(q), 34.40(t), 50.17(d), 52.23(d), 56.72(d), 128.30(d), 134.69(s), 174.56(s), 177.81(s), Stereochemistry of 5f is not clear. 5g: 2,3-cis isomer mp 72-72°C.  $^{1}$ H-NMR (CDC1<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.70-2.92(2H, m), 3.04(3H, s), 3.20-3.76(5H, m), 7.25(5H, s). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDCl<sub>2</sub>) δ 25.14(q), 34.73(t), 35.76(t), 49.14(d), 49.74(d), 54.99 (d), 126.72(d), 128.51(d), 128.62(d), 139.78(s), 177.98(s). 2,3-trans isomer mp 84-85°C. <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDC1<sub>3</sub>) δ 2.92(2H, d, J=7.2 Hz), 2.96(3H, s), 3.12-3.56(4H, m), 3.92(1H, td, J=7.2 Hz, 1 Hz), 7.28(5H, s). <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (CDC1<sub>2</sub>) & 25.30(q), 33.86(t), 41.61(t), 48.65(d), 52.71(d), 53.69(d), 127.00(d), 128.62(d), 128.63(d), 129.17(d), 138.51(s), 139.78(s), 177.98 (s).

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