Versatile Behavior of O-Stannylated D-Glucal Towards Halogens

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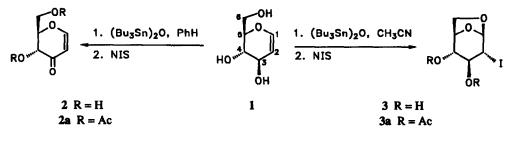
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Abstract: O-Tributylstannyl-D-glucal undergoes allylic oxidation when treated with N-iodosucinimide (NIS) in benzene, whereas oxidative 1,6-halocyclization occurs with NIS in acetonitrile or molecular halogens in various solvents.

Tributylstannyl ethers¹ in benzene or toluene solution were reported to be monomeric species with a tetrahedral tin atom geometry². Their reactivity towards various electrophiles can be enhanced by solvents having high dielectric constants (DMF, $CH_3CN...$)³, catalytic amounts of quaternary ammonium halides⁴, *N*-methylimidazole⁵, or fluoride ions³. Complexation of tin atoms with these Lewis bases increases the nucleophilicity of the related alcoholic functions. We now report that similar complexation in *O*-stannyl derivatives of D-glucal⁶ induces deep conformational changes which dramatically influence their reactivity towards positive halogens.

When D-glucal (1) was O-stannylated in benzene, then reacted with N-iodosuccinimide (NIS) in the same solvent, oxidation at the allylic position was principally observed⁷ leading to the enone 2 isolated in 60% yield⁸ together with small amounts of an iodocyclization product 3⁹ (Scheme 1). Whereas tri-O-acetyl-D-glucal in solution was reported¹⁰ to be a 3:2 mixture of half-chair ⁴H₅ and ⁵H₄ (D) conformers with the latter being favored by the vinylogous anomeric effect, O-tributylstannyl-D-glucal with electron-donating substituents will generally adopt an ⁴H₅ conformation in benzene solution. The pseudo-axial orientation of H-3 facilitates its transfer as hydride to an iodine cation since the developing electron-deficient orbital at C-3 will be stabilized by the β -effect of tin¹¹ and the overlap with the adjacent π orbital of the double bond as well (Scheme 2).

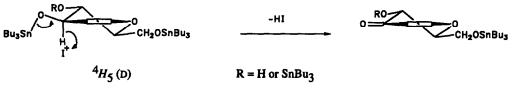


Scheme 1

When O-stannylation of 1 was performed in acetonitrile, then followed by treatment with NIS, the iodocyclized product 3 was isolated in 70% yield with only traces of 2^{12} .

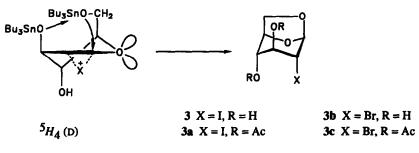
Oxidative coupling of protected glycals with alcohols is a well-known reaction¹⁴ usually triggered by a halogen cation which gives a cyclic halonium ion by electrophilic addition to the double bond. Regiospecific attack at C-1 by the alcohol is then assisted by an electron lone pair of the pyranose ring

oxygen atom.





O-Tributylstannyl ethers have been successfully used in such "haloglycosylation" reactions¹⁵. Here we postulate the formation of an intermediate cyclic iodonium cation in a ${}^{5}H_{4}$ (D) conformation stabilized by coordination of tin atoms to acetonitrile and intramolecular chelation of pseudo-axial O-3 with the tin atom at O-6 (Scheme 3).



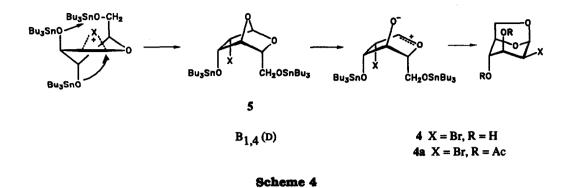
Scheme 3

The gluco configuration of 3 reflects an exclusive attack of I⁺ from below the plane of the double bond, an orientation favored by the inverse anomeric effect¹⁶. D-Glucal (1) itself without O-stannyl residues gives only very small amounts of 3^{17} , whereas 3,4-di-O-acyl-glycals were recently reported¹³ to cyclize efficiently in the presence of an I⁺ donor. The vinylogous anomeric effect¹⁰ which is much less effective in D-glucal (and also in 3,4-di-O-benzyl-glycals)¹³ could explain these results.

We have also found that molecular bromine and iodine give only halocyclization products when reacted with O-stannylated D-glucal, whatever be the solvent (CHCl₃, PhH, CH₃CN). A 9:1 mixture of 1,6-anhydro-2-bromo-2-deoxy- β -D-gluco (3b) and -manno pyranose (4) was isolated in 56% yield from the reaction with bromine in chloroform¹⁸. A similar result was obtained with iodine in acetonitrile¹⁹.

The charge-transfer complex which is formed when the halogen molecule approaches the π system of the enol ether must collapse to a cyclic halonium cation with the help of some tributylin species (in an interor intramolecular way) acting as Lewis acids for coordination of the halide ion. Such a complexation facilitates the formation of the halonium transition state as a locked ${}^{5}H_{4}$ conformer. In spite of inverse anomeric effect and severe steric hindrance, approach of the halogen molecule from above the plane of the double bond occurs at 10% extent and leads to the cyclized product 4 through a mechanism which could be reminiscent of the conversion of phenyl β -D-manno-pyranoside to 1,6-anhydro- β -D-manno-pyranose²⁰. A highly-strained 1,4-anhydro compound 5^{21} resulting from nucleophilic attack of O-4 (which must be stannylated to some extent) rearranges to the 1,6-anhydro product 4 by a nonconcerted process involving an oxocarbenium ion²² (Scheme 4).

In conclusion, application of the tin methodology¹ to glycals affords a convenient access to useful [3.2.1] bicyclic compounds usually accessible in several steps by conventional methods²³.



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