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# **Preface**

The notes have been used as the introductory section of a course on Modern Organic Synthesis that composes 6 weeks or a little more than one-half of a quarter course at The Scripps Research Institute, Department of Chemistry. Consequently, an exhaustive treatment of the individual topics is beyond the scope of this portion of the course. The remaining 4 weeks of the quarter delve into more detail on various topics and introduce concepts in multistep organic synthesis (E. Sorensen). For our students, this is accompanied by a full quarter course in physical organic chemistry and is followed by a full quarter course on state of the art natural products total synthesis (K. C. Nicolaou, E. Sorensen) and a quarter elective course on transition metal chemistry. Complementary to these synthetic and mechanistic courses, two quarter courses on bioorganic chemsitry and an elective course on the principles of molecular biology and immunology are available to our students. Efforts have been made to not duplicate the content of these courses. For those who might examine or use the notes, I apologize for the inevitable oversight of seminal work, the misattribution of credit, and the missing citations to work presented. The original notes were not assembled with special attention to this detail, but rather for the basic content and the 'nuts and bolts' laboratory elements of organic synthesis. In addition, some efforts were made to highlight the chemistry and contributions of my group and those of my colleagues for the intrinsic interest and general appreciation of our students. I hope this is not mistaken for an effort to unduly attribute credit where this was not intended. We welcome any suggestions for content additions or corrections and we would be especially pleased to receive even minor corrections that you might find. - Dale L. Boger

Heinrich Friedrich von Delius (1720–1791) is credited with introducing chemistry into the academic curriculum.

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Antoine L. Lavoisier, universally regarded as the founder of modern chemistry, published in 1789 his *Elementary Treatise on Chemistry* that distinguished between elements and compounds, initiated the modern system of nomenclature, and established the oxygen theory of combustion. He and his colleagues founded *Annales de Chemie* in 1789, he earned his living as a tax official and his "chemical revolution" of 1789 coincided with the start of the violent French Revolution (1789–1799). He was executed by guillotine in 1794.

Jons Jacob Berzelius (1779–1848), a Swedish chemist, discovered cerium, produced a precise table of experimentally determined atomic masses, introduced such laboratory equipment as test tubes, beakers, and wash bottles, and introduced (1813) a new set of elemental symbols based on the first letters of the element names as a substitute for the traditional graphic symbols. He also coined the term "organic compound" (1807) to define substances made by and isolated from living organisms which gave rise to the field of organic chemistry.

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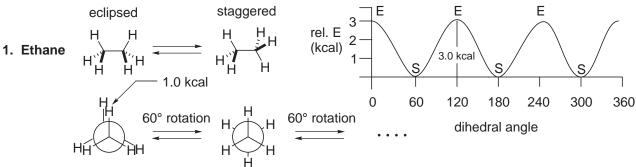
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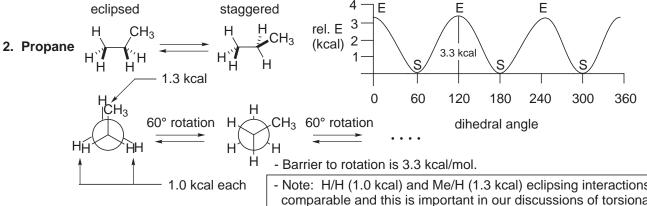
Introduction

# I. Conformational Analysis

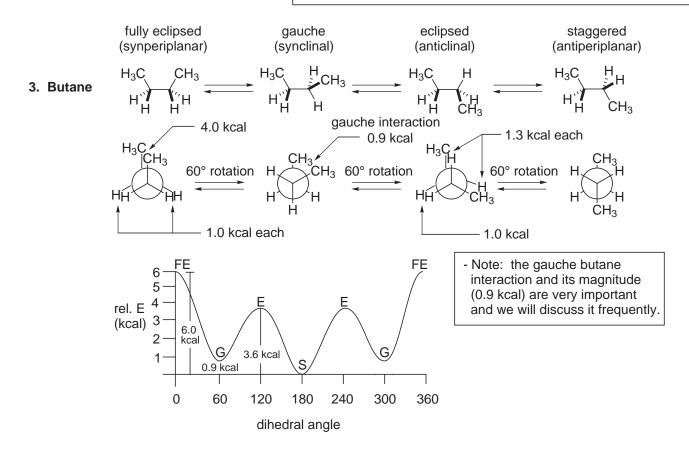
# A. Acyclic sp<sup>3</sup>-sp<sup>3</sup> Systems: Ethane, Propane, Butane



- Two extreme conformations, barrier to rotation is 3.0 kcal/mol.



- Note: H/H (1.0 kcal) and Me/H (1.3 kcal) eclipsing interactions are comparable and this is important in our discussions of torsional strain.



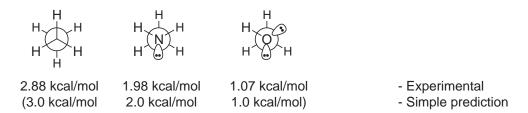
#### 4. Substituted Ethanes

- There are some exceptions to the lowest energy conformation. Sometimes, a gauche conformation is preferred over staggered if X,Y are electronegative substituents. cf: Kingsbury *J. Chem. Ed.* **1979**, *56*, 431.

 $E_{gauche} < E_{staggered}$  if X = OH, OAc and Y = CI, F

#### 5. Rotational Barriers

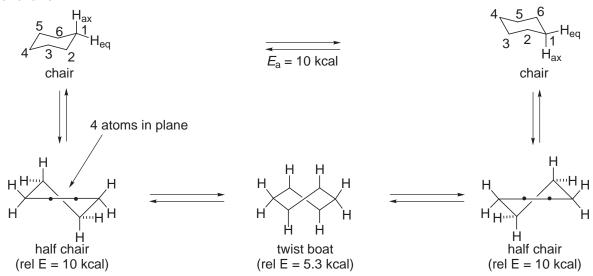
- The rotational barrier increases with the number of CH<sub>3</sub>/H eclipsing interactions.



- The rotational barrier increases with the number of H/H eclipsing interactions.

# B. Cyclohexane and Substituted Cyclohexanes, A Values ( $\triangle G^{\circ}$ )

## 1. Cyclohexane



# - Chair conformation (all bonds staggered)

- Rapid interconversion at 25 °C ( $E_a$  = 10 kcal/mol, 20 kcal/mol available at 25 °C).
- $H_{ax}$  and  $H_{eq}$  are indistinguishable by  $^1H$  NMR at 25  $^{\circ}C$ .
- At temperatures < -70 °C,  $H_{eq}$  and  $H_{ax}$  become distinct in  $^1H$  NMR.

## - Boat conformation

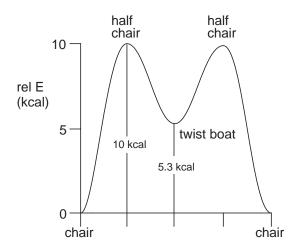
- Rel E = 6.9 kcal, not local minimum on energy surface.
- More stable boat can be obtained by twisting (relieves flagpole interaction somewhat).
- Twist boat conformation (rel E = 5.3 kcal) does represent an energy minimum.
- The boat conformation becomes realistic if flagpole interactions are removed, i.e.

# X

## - Half chair conformation

- Energy maximum (rel E = 10.0 kcal)

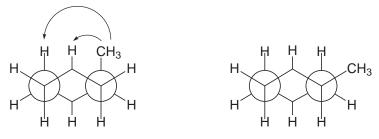
D.H.R. Barton received the 1969 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his contributions to conformational analysis, especially as it relates to steroids and six-membered rings. Barton *Experientia* **1950**, *6*, 316.



## 2. Substituted Cyclohexanes

- Methylcyclohexane

- The gauche butane interaction is most often identifiable as 1,3-diaxial interactions.



2 gauche butane interactions  $2 \times 0.9$  kcal = 1.8 kcal (experimental 1.8 kcal)

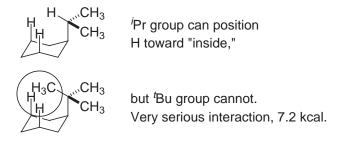
0 gauche butane interactions

- A Value ( $-\Delta G^{\circ}$ ) = Free energy difference between equatorial and axial substituent on a cyclohexane ring.

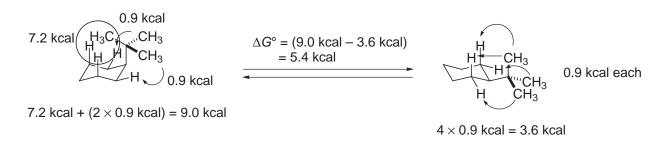
## **Typical A Values**

R	A Value (kcal/mol)	R	A Value (kcal/mol)
F	0.25	CN	0.2 Small, linear
CI	0.52	C≡CH	0.41 groups
Br	0.5–0.6 — ca. 0.5 kcal	$NO_2$	1.1
1	0.46	CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	1.7
OH	0.7 (0.9) ca. 0.7 kcal	CH <sub>3</sub>	1.8
OCH <sub>3</sub>	0.75 – (2 <sup>nd</sup> atom effect	CH <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	1.9 (1.8) 2 <sup>nd</sup> atom
OCOCH <sub>3</sub>	0.71 very small)	$^{n}$ C $_{3}$ H $_{7}$	2.1 effect very
NH <sub>2</sub>	1.8 (1.4)	<sup>n</sup> C <sub>4</sub> H <sub>9</sub>	2.1 small
NR <sub>2</sub>	2.1	$CH(CH_3)_2$	2.1
CO <sub>2</sub> H	1.2 (1.4)	$C(CH_3)_3$	>4.5 (ca. 5.4)
CO <sub>2</sub> Na	2.3	$C_6H_5$	3.1 (2.9)
CO <sub>2</sub> Et	1.1		
SO <sub>2</sub> Ph	2.5		

- Note on difference between <sup>i</sup>Pr and <sup>t</sup>Bu A values.



- Determination of A value for <sup>t</sup>Bu group.

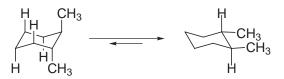


- Note on interconversion between axial and equatorial positions.

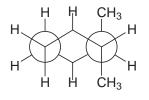
$$t_{1/2}$$
 = 22 years at -160 °C

Even though CI has a small A value (i.e., small  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  between rings with equatorial and axial Cl group), the  $E_a$  (energy of activation) is high (it must go through half chair conformation).

## trans-1,2-dimethylcyclohexane



2.7 kcal/mol more stable



4 × (gauche interaction)

 $4 \times (0.9 \text{ kcal}) = 3.6 \text{ kcal}$ 

 $1 \times (gauche interaction)$ 

 $1 \times (0.9 \text{ kcal}) = 0.9 \text{ kcal}$ 

cis-1,2-dimethylcyclohexane

$$\Delta E = 0 \text{ kcal/mol}$$

 $3 \times (gauche interaction)$  $3 \times (0.9 \text{ kcal}) = 2.7 \text{ kcal}$ 

3 × (gauche interaction)  $3 \times (0.9 \text{ kcal}) = 2.7 \text{ kcal}$ 

 $\Delta G = 1.87 \text{ kcal/mol (exp)}$  $\Delta G = 1.80 \text{ kcal/mol (calcd)}$ 

#### trans-1,3-dimethylcyclohexane

#### cis-1,3-dimethylcyclohexane

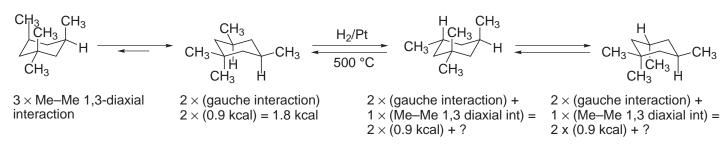
$$CH_3$$
  $H_2/Pt$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$ 

 $2 \times (0.9 \text{ kcal}) + 3.7 \text{ kcal}$ 

= 5.5 kcal

 $\Delta G = 1.80 \text{ kcal/mol (exp and calcd)}$ 

- Determination of energy value of Me-Me 1,3-diaxial interaction.



 $\Delta G$  = 3.7 kcal/mol (exp) So, Me–Me 1,3-diaxial interaction = 3.7 kcal/mol.

## 1,3-diaxial interactions

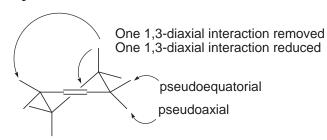
$\Delta G^{\circ}$
1.9 kcal
2.0 kcal
2.4 (1.6) kcal
3.7 kcal

## $\Delta G^{\circ}$ of common interactions

	ax OH	ax CH <sub>3</sub>	eq OH
ax H	0.45*	0.9	0.0
ax OH	1.9	1.6	0.35
eq OH	0.35	0.35	0.35
eq CH <sub>3</sub>	0.35	0.9	0.35

\*1/2 of A value

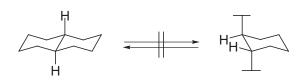
# C. Cyclohexene



- half-chair
- $E_a$  for ring interconversion = 5.3 kcal/mol
- the preference for equatorial orientation of a methyl group in cyclohexene is less than in cyclohexane because of the ring distortion and the removal of one 1,3-diaxial interaction (1 kcal/mol)

# D. Decalins

trans-decalin



cis-decalin

two conformations equivalent

3 gauche interactions  $3 \times 0.9$  kcal = 2.7 kcal

 $\Delta E$  between *cis*- and *trans*-decalin = 2.7 kcal/mol

trans-9-methyldecalin

cis-9-methyldecalin

two conformations equivalent

H H H H CH<sub>3</sub>

4 gauche interactions  $4 \times 0.9 = 3.6$  kcal

5 gauche interactions  $5 \times 0.9 = 4.5$  kcal

 $\Delta E$  between *cis*- and *trans*-9-methyldecalin = 0.9 kcal/mol

# E. Acyclic sp<sup>3</sup>-sp<sup>2</sup> Systems

- Key references
  - Origin of destabilization for eclipsed conformations:

Lowe *Prog. Phys. Org. Chem.* **1968**, *6*, 1. Oosterhoff *Pure Appl. Chem.* **1971**, *25*, 563. Wyn-Jones, Pethrick *Top. Stereochem.* **1970**, *5*, 205.

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Allinger, Hickey *J. Mol. Struct.* **1973**, *17*, 233. Allinger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1969**, *91*, 337.

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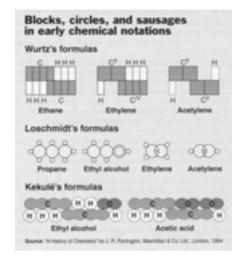
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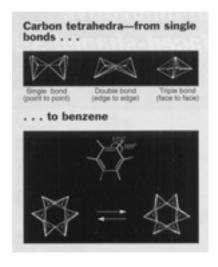
- 1-Butene: Geise *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 2189.

- Allylic 1,3-strain: Houk, Hoffmann J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 5006.

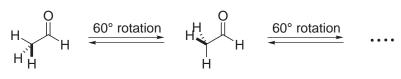
Hoffmann Chem. Rev. 1989, 89, 1841.

Jacobus van't Hoff studied with both Kekule and Wurtz and received the first Nobel Prize in Chemistry (1901) in recognition of his discovery of the laws of chemical kinetics and the laws governing the osmotic pressure of solutions. More than any other person, he created the formal structure of physical chemistry and he developed chemical stereochemistry which led chemists to picture molecules as objects with three dimensional shapes. He published his revolutionary ideas about chemistry in three dimensions just after his 22nd birthday in 1874, before he completed his Ph.D, in a 15 page pamphlet which included the models of organic molecules with atoms surrounding a carbon atom situated at the apexes of a tetrahedron. Independently and two months later, Joseph A. Le Bel, who also studied with Kekule at the same time as van't Hoff, described a similar theory to the Paris Chem. Soc. Kekule himself had tetrahedral models in the lab and historians concur that they must have influenced van't Hoff and Le Bel. Interestingly, these proposals which serve as the very basis of stereochemistry today were met with bitter criticism.





## 1. Acetaldehyde

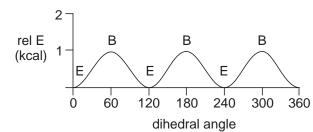


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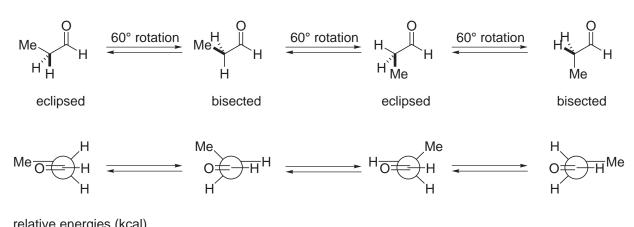
relative energies (kcal)

Ехр	0.0	1.0
MM2	0.0	1.1–1.2



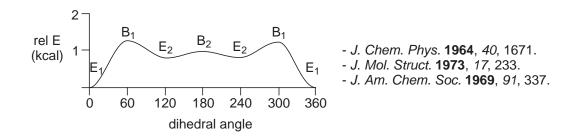
- Two extreme conformations.
- Barrier to rotation is 1.0 kcal/mol.
- H-eclipsed conformation more stable.

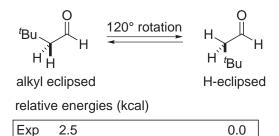
## 2. Propionaldehyde



1616	ative energies (kcai)		
Exp	0.0	1 25 2 28	0

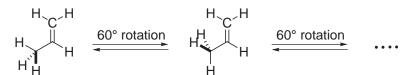
Exp	0.0	1.25, 2.28	0.8, 0.9, 1.0	unknown
MM2	0.0	2.1	0.8, 0.9	1.0, 2.3–1.7, 1.5
Ab initio	0.0	1.7	0.4	0.7





- Alkyl eclipsed conformation more stable than H-eclipsed and exceptions occur only if alkyl group is very bulky (i.e., <sup>t</sup>Bu).
- Because E differences are quite low, it is difficult to relate ground state conformation to experimental results. All will be populated at room temperature.

## 3. Propene



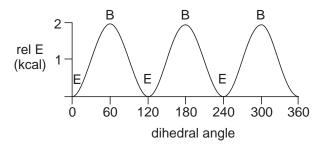
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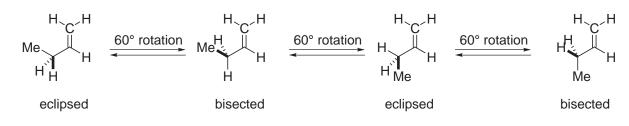
Exp	0.0	2.0
MM2	0.0	2.1–2.2



- Two extreme conformations
- Barrier to rotation is 2.0 kcal/mol

Note:

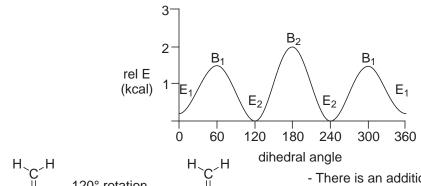
## 4. 1-Butene

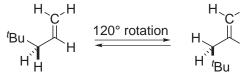




relative energies (kcal)

Exp	0.0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.5	-	0.0	-
MM2	0.5, 0.7	1.4-1.7 (2.6)	0.0	1.4-1.8 (2.6)
Ab initio	0.6	-	0.0	2.0





eclipsed (E<sub>1</sub>)

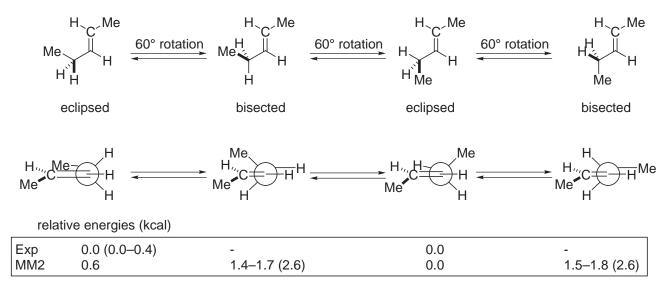
eclipsed (E<sub>2</sub>)

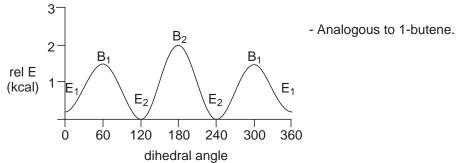
relative energies (kcal)

Exp  $B_1, B_2 > E_1 >> E_2$ 

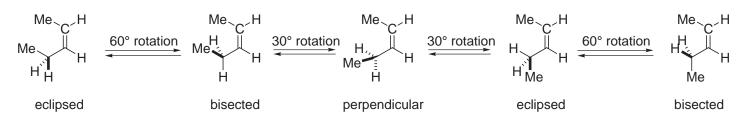
- There is an additional destabilization of placing the alkyl group eclipsed with C=C. This is due to the larger steric size of olefinic CH compared to carbonyl C=O.
- The eclipsed conformations (even with an  $\alpha$ - ${}^t\!Bu$ ) are both more stable than the bisected conformations.

## 5. E-2-Pentene





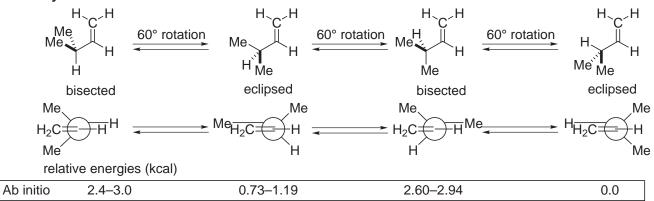
## 6. Z-2-Pentene

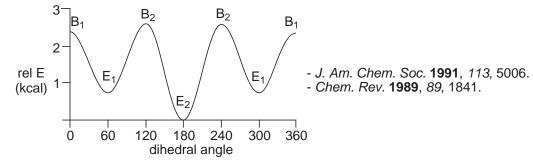


relative energies (kcal)

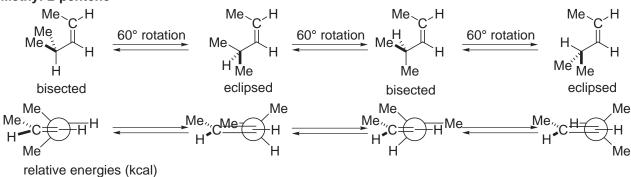
	relative energies (kcal)				
MM2	3.9	4.9	0.0	0.6	0.5
i r a	HH, CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub> Serious destabilizing interaction, often referred to as allylic 1,3-strain A 1,3-strain).	5 B <sub>1</sub> 4 E <sub>1</sub> 3 rel E (kcal) 2 - 1 - P <sub>1</sub> 0 60	E <sub>2</sub> B <sub>2</sub> E <sub>2</sub> P <sub>1</sub> 120 180 240 300 36 dihedral angle	H <sub>3</sub> C H  - The analogous eclipsing interative bisected consistent referred as allylic 1,2-s (A 1.2-strain).	action in onformation ed to

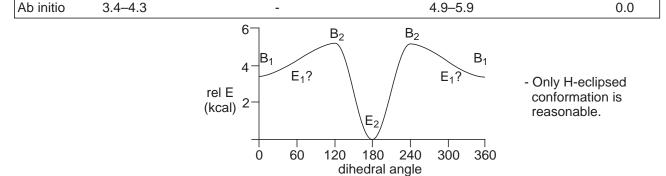
#### 7. 3-Methyl-1-butene





# 8. 4-Methyl-2-pentene





# F. Anomeric Effect

## 1. Tetrahydropyrans (e.g., Carbohydrates)

R = H, preferred conformation.  $\Delta G^{\circ} = 0.85 \text{ kcal/mol}$ 

- generally 0-2 kcal/mol, depends on C2/C3 substituents
- effect greater in non-polar solvent

Comprehensive Org. Chem. Vol. 5, 693. Comprehensive Het. Chem. Vol. 3, 629. Review: Tetrahedron **1992**, 48, 5019.

- 1. A value for R group will be smaller, less preference for equatorial vs axial C3 or C5 substituent since one 1,3-diaxial interaction is with a lone pair versus C–H bond.
- 2. Polar, electronegative group (e.g., OR and Cl) adjacent to oxygen prefers axial position.
- 3. Alkyl group adjacent to oxygen prefers equatorial position.
- 4. Electropositive group (such as <sup>+</sup>NR<sub>3</sub>, NO<sub>2</sub>, SOCH<sub>3</sub>) adjacent to oxygen strongly prefers equatorial position. ⇒ Reverse Anomeric Effect
- Explanations Advanced:
  - 1. Dipole stabilization

opposing dipoles, stabilizing





dipoles aligned, destabilizing

2. Electrostatic repulsion

minimizes electrostatic repulsion between lone pairs and the electronegative substituent





maximizes destabilizing electrostatic interaction between electronegative centers (charge repulsion)

3. Electronic stabilization

n-σ\* orbital stabilizing interaction

n electron delocalization into  $\sigma^*$  orbital





no stabilization possible

4. Gauche interaction involving lone pairs is large (i.e., steric)

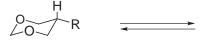
1 lone pair / OR gauche interaction + 1 C/OR gauche interaction (0.35 kcal/mol)





2 lone pair / OR gauche interactions, but would require that they be ~1.2 kcal/mol

## 2. Anomeric Effect and 1,3-Dioxanes





lone pair / R interaction

- 1. Polar, electronegative C2/C4 substituents prefer axial orientation.
- 2. The lone pair on oxygen has a smaller steric requirement than a C–H bond.  $\Delta G^{\circ}$  is much lower, lower preference between axial and equatorial C5 substituent
- Polar electropositive groups C2 equatorial position preferred:
   C5 axial position may be preferred for F, NO<sub>2</sub>, SOCH<sub>3</sub>, \*NMe<sub>3</sub>.



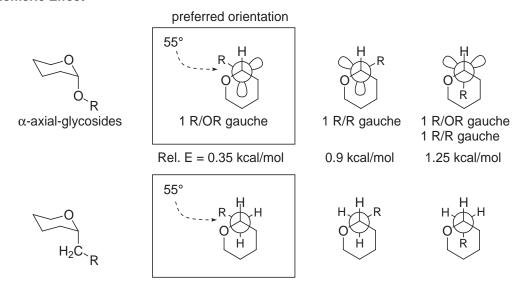
preferred conformation

Eliel J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 3444.

A Value (kcal/mol) for Substituents on Tetrahydropyran and 1,3-Dioxane versus Cyclohexane

Group	Cyclohexane	Tetrahydropyran C2	1,3-Dioxane C2	1,3-Dioxane C5
CH <sub>3</sub>	1.8	2.9	4.0	0.8
Et	1.8		4.0	0.7
<i>i</i> Pr	2.1		4.2	1.0
<sup>t</sup> Bu	>4.5			1.4

#### 3. Exo Anomeric Effect



Kishi J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 6412.

# G. Strain

Cyclic Hydrocarbon, Heats of Combustion/Methylene Group (gas phase)

	Ring Size	$-\Delta H_{\rm c}$ (kcal/mol)	Ring Size	$-\Delta H_{\rm c}$ (kcal/mol)
	3	166.3	10	158.6
strain free	4	163.9	11	158.4
	5	158.7	12	157.8 ٦
	e 6	157.4	13	157.7
	7	158.3	14	157.4 } lar
	8	158.6	15	157.5
	9	158.8	16	157.5 J

- 1. Small rings (3- and 4-membered rings): small angle strain
  - For cyclopropane, reduction of bond angle from ideal 109.5° to 60° 27.5 kcal/mol of strain energy.
  - For cyclopropene, reduction of bond angle from ideal 120° to 60° 52.6 kcal/mol of strain energy.

To form a small ring in synthetic sequences, must overcome the energy barrier implicated in forming a strained high energy product.

- 2. Common rings (5-, 6-, and 7-membered rings):
  - largely unstrained and the strain that is present is largely torsional strain (Pitzer strain).

- 3. Medium rings (8- to 11-membered rings):
  - a. large angle strain
    - bond angles enlarged from ideal 109.5° to 115-120°.
    - bond angles enlarged to reduce transannular interactions.
  - b. steric (transannular) interactions
    - analogous to 1,3-diaxial interactions in cyclohexanes, but can be 1,3-, 1,4-, or 1,5- ...



c. torsional strain (Pitzer strain)

in cyclohexanes



just like gauche butane.

- in medium rings
- deviation from ideal φ of 60° and approach an eclipsing interaction.

- 4. Large rings (12-membered and up):
  - little or no strain.
- 5. Some highly strained molecules:

Buckminsterfullerene ( $C_{60}$ ) has a strain energy of 480 kcal/mol and is one of the highest strain energies ever computed. However, since there are 60 atoms, this averages to ca. 8 kcal/mol per carbon atom - not particularly unusual.

First isolated in 1990: Kroto, Heath, O'Brian, Curl, and Smalley *Nature* **1985**, *318*, 162.

Robert Curl, Harold Kroto, and Richard Smalley shared the 1996 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the discovery of fullerenes.

[1.1.1] propellane



Wiberg J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 5239.

strain energy = 98 kcal/mol

note: the higher homologs are not stable at 25 °C.





Wiberg J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 1227.

cubane



Eaton J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1964, 86, 3157.

strain energy = 155 kcal/mol

note: kinetically very stable, may be prepared in kg quantities.

cyclopropabenzene



Vogel Tetrahedron Lett. 1965, 3625.

strain energy = 68 kcal/mol

note: even traces of this substance provides an intolerable smell and efforts to establish its properties had to be cancelled at the Univ. of Heidelberg.

# H. $pK_a$ of Common Organic Acids

Acid	p <i>K</i> a	Acid	р <i>К</i> а
cyclohexane	45	(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>2</sub> CHOH	18
ethane	42	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> OH	17
benzene	37	cyclic ketones	17
ethylene	36	e.g. cyclohexanone	17
Et <sub>2</sub> NH	36	CH <sub>3</sub> OH	16 (16–18)
NH <sub>3</sub> (ammonia)	35	CH <sub>3</sub> CONHCH <sub>3</sub>	16–17
toluene, propene	35	PhCH <sub>2</sub> COPh	16
$(C_6H_5)_3CH$	28–33	$H_2O$	16
DMSO (CH <sub>3</sub> S(O)CH <sub>3</sub> )	31	cyclopentadiene	15
$C_6H_5NH_2$	27	$CH_2(CO_2Et)_2$	13
HC≡CH	25	$CH_2(CN)_2$	11
CH <sub>3</sub> CN	25	CH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>2</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et	11
CH <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> Et	25	CH <sub>3</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	10
CH <sub>3</sub> SO <sub>2</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	23–27	phenol	10
CH <sub>3</sub> CONMe <sub>2</sub>	25	R <sub>3</sub> NH <sup>+</sup> Cl <sup>-</sup>	10
aliphatic ketones	20–23	HCN	9
(CH3)3CCOCH(CH3)2	23	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> NO <sub>2</sub>	9
(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> CCOCH <sub>3</sub>	21	CH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>2</sub> COCH <sub>3</sub>	9
CH <sub>3</sub> COCH <sub>3</sub>	20	CH <sub>2</sub> (CN)CO <sub>2</sub> Et	9
CH <sub>3</sub> COC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	19	CH <sub>3</sub> CO <sub>2</sub> H	5
(CH <sub>3</sub> ) <sub>3</sub> COH	19	py•HCl	5
C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> C≡CH	19	C <sub>6</sub> H <sub>5</sub> NH <sub>3</sub> +Cl <sup>-</sup>	5

$$XH \longrightarrow H^+ + X^- \qquad K_a = \underline{[H^+][X^-]}$$
 $[HX]$ 

 $pK_a = -\log K_a = -\log[H^+]$ 

Increase in p $K_a$  means decrease in [H<sup>+</sup>] and acidity Decrease in p $K_a$  means increase in [H<sup>+</sup>] and acidity

For more extensive lists, see:

The Chemist's Companion, p 58–63.

Familiarity with these p $K_a$ 's will allow prediction/estimation of acidities of other compounds. This is important, since many organic reactions have a p $K_a$  basis (i.e., enolate alkylations).

Alfred Werner, who received the 1913 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his studies of stereochemistry and inorganic complexes, is also responsible for the redefinition of (acids and) bases as compounds that have varying degrees of ability to attack hydrogen ions in water resulting in an increase in hydroxide ion.

The most acidic natural product is the mycotoxin monliformin also known as semisquaric acid,  $pK_a = 0.88$ 

Springer, Clardy J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 2267.

Compare the strength of the following neutral bases:

Me<sub>3</sub>N 
$$PK_b = 4.1$$
  $PK_b = 24.3$   $PK_b = 46.9$ 

Schwesinger Liebigs Ann. 1996, 1055.

# II. Kinetics and Thermodynamics of Organic Reactions

# A. Free Energy Relationships

$$\Delta G = \Delta H - T\Delta S$$

The equilibrium for the reaction can be described by

$$\ln K_{\text{eq}} = - \frac{\Delta G}{RT}$$

To achieve a high ratio of two products (desired product and undesired product) in a thermodynamically controlled reaction run under reversible conditions, one needs the following  $\Delta G$ 's:

K	(25 °C)	$\Delta G$ (kcal/mol)	K (	0 °C)	$\Delta G$ (kcal/mol)	K (-	78 °C)	$\Delta G$ (kcal/mol)
2	(67:33)	0.41	2.1	(68:32)	0.41	2.9	(75:25)	0.41
5	(83:17)	0.95	5.7	(85:15)	0.95	11.6	(92:8)	0.95
9	(90:10)	1.30	10.9	(92:18)	1.30	28.5	(97:3)	1.30
20	(95:5)	1.74	27.5	(96:4)	1.80	103.3	(99:1)	1.80
99	(99:1)	2.73						
999	(99.9:0.1)	4.09						

Hydrogenation reaction:

$$H_2C=CH_2$$
 +  $H_2$   $\longrightarrow$   $H_2C-CH_2$ 

## bonds broken

## bonds formed

- -Overall reaction is exothermic ->  $\Delta G = -17$  kcal/mol, so reaction is favorable, spontaneous.
- -To calculate equilibrium constant:

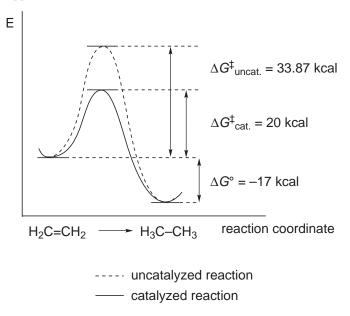
$$ln K_{eq} = - \frac{\Delta G}{RT}$$

2.303 log 
$$K_{eq} = 17 \text{ kcal} \times 1000 \text{ cal/mol} / (298 \text{ K}) \times 1.99$$
 log  $K_{eq} = 12.45$   $K_{eq} = 2.8 \times 10^{12}$ 

- But experimentally this reaction is very slow.
- Molecule rate (experimentally) = 10<sup>12</sup> molecules/sec

mole rate = 
$$\frac{6.023 \times 10^{23} \text{ molecules/mol}}{(10^{12} \text{ molecules/sec}) \times (60 \text{ sec/min}) \times (60 \text{ min/hour})} = 2 \times 10^4 \text{ years}$$
$$\times (24 \text{ hour/day}) \times (365 \text{ day/year})$$

i.e.,  $2 \times 10^4$  years to hydrogenate one mole of ethylene (without catalyst).



Transition State: A transition state (TS) possesses a defined geometry and charge delocalization but has no finite existence. At TS, energy usually higher and although many reactant bonds are broken or partially broken, the product bonds are not yet completely formed.

Svante Arrhenius received the 1903 Nobel Prize in Chemistry in recognition of his theory of electrolytic dissociation where he introduced the idea that many substances dissociate into positive and negative ions (NaCl Na<sup>+</sup> + Cl<sup>-</sup>) in water including the partial dissociation of weak acids like HOAc, where the equilibrium amount depends on the concentration. His qualitative ideas on the exponential increase in the rate of reactions when temperature is increased are retained in modern theories that relate kinetic rate constants to temperature by means of an energy of activation.

# **B. Transition State Theory**

$$\Delta G^{\ddagger} = \Delta H^{\ddagger} - T\Delta S^{\ddagger}$$

Ahmed Zewail was awarded the 1999 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his studies of the transition states of chemical reactions using femtosecond spectroscopy.

- Free Energy of Activation ( $\Delta G^{\ddagger}$ )
- Enthalpy of Activation ( $\Delta H^{\ddagger}$ ): Difference in bond energy between reactants and the transition state.
- Entropy of Activation ( $-T\Delta S^{\ddagger}$ ):  $\Delta S^{\ddagger}$  usually negative, making the change more endothermic.

From 
$$\Delta G^{\ddagger} = \Delta H^{\ddagger} - T\Delta S^{\ddagger}$$
,  $\Delta G^{\ddagger} = - RT \text{ In } K^{\ddagger}$ 

for uncatalyzed  $H_2$  reaction  $\Delta G^{\ddagger} = 33.9$  kcal/mol

catalyzed  $H_2$  reaction  $\Delta G^{\ddagger} = 20$  kcal/mol

and for the rate

for uncatalyzed H<sub>2</sub> reaction  $k = 1.0 \times 10^{12}$  mol/sec catalyzed H<sub>2</sub> reaction  $k = 1.0 \times 10^{22}$  mol/sec

# C. Intramolecular Versus Intermolecular Reactions

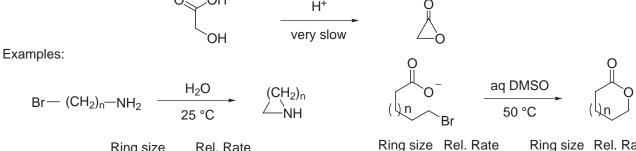
$$k_3 > k_2 > k_1$$

$$-T\Delta S^{\dagger}_1 > -T\Delta S^{\dagger}_2 > -T\Delta S^{\dagger}_3 > 0$$

$$\Delta S^{\dagger}_1 < \Delta S^{\dagger}_2 < \Delta S^{\dagger}_3 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \Delta G^{\dagger}_3 < \Delta G^{\dagger}_2 < \Delta G^{\dagger}_1$$

- Intramolecular versus intermolecular reactions benefit from a far more favorable entropy of activation ( $\Delta S^{\ddagger}$ ).
- In forming small rings, ring strain developing in the product decelerates the rate of reaction (large  $\Delta H^{\ddagger}$ ) and that can offset the favorable  $\Delta S^{\ddagger}$  rate acceleration.



	Ring size	Rel. Rate	Ring size	Rel. Rate	Ring size	Rel. Rate
-	3	70	3	21.7	11	8.51
	4	1.0	4	$5.4 \times 10^{3}$	12	10.6
	5	10000	5	$1.5 \times 10^{6}$	13	32.2
	6	1000	6	$1.7 \times 10^{4}$	14	41.9
	7	2	7	97.3	15	45.1
			8	1.00	16	52.0
			9	1.12	17	51.2
			10	3.35	18	60.4

- gem dimethyl effect

Compare to relative rates of intermolecular S<sub>N</sub>2 displacement where the more substituted alkoxide reacts slowest:

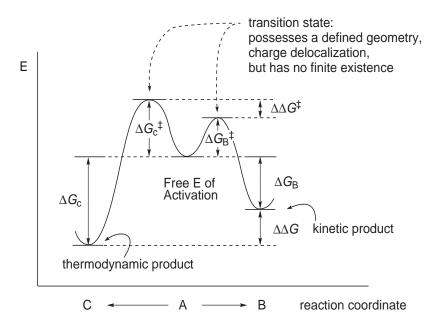
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#### For the intramolecular case:

The reactive conformation is more favorable and populated to a greater extent in the more substituted case  $\Rightarrow$  One must consider both the length of the chain (i.e., ring size being formed) and the nature of the atoms in the chain (i.e., conformation, hybridization).

# D. Kinetic and Thermodynamic Control

## - For competitive reactions:

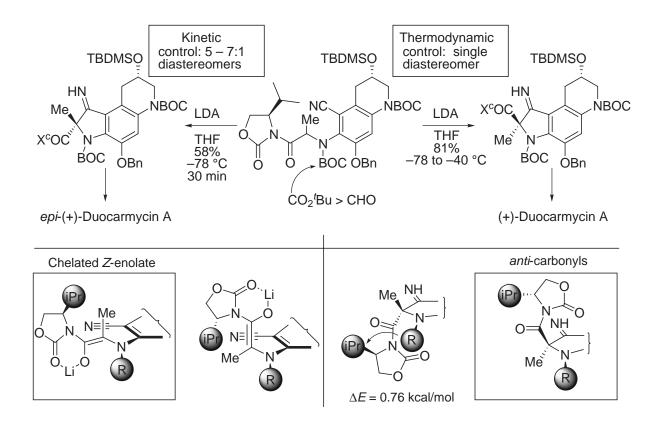


If this is an irreversible reaction, most of the reaction product will be B (kinetic product). If this is a reversible reaction, most of the product will be C (more stable, thermodynamic product).

OLi Me LDA 
$$\rightarrow$$
 Me LDA  $\rightarrow$  Me thermodynamic  $\rightarrow$  kinetic product  $\rightarrow$  more favorable  $\Delta G$ 

A beautiful example of this was observed in the kinetic versus thermodynamic asymmetric Dieckmann-like condensation illustrated below. The most stable product (lower  $\Delta G$ ) was observed upon conducting the reaction under equilibrating conditions for the reversible reaction while the alternative kinetic product (lower  $\Delta G^{\ddagger}$ ) was observed when the reaction was conducted under lower temperature and nonequilibrating conditions (kinetic conditions).

Divergent Control of C6-Stereochemistry



Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 311.

# E. Hammond Postulate

The geometry of the transition state for a step most closely resembles the side (i.e., reactant or product) to which it is closer in energy.

Transition state can not be studied experimentally – has zero lifetime (transient species)

→ information obtained indirectly

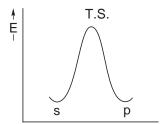
⇒ Hammond postulate

#### Examples:

1) Thermoneutral reactions:

$$CH_3-^{1}I + ^{2}I^{-} \longrightarrow CH_3-^{2}I + ^{1}I^{-}$$



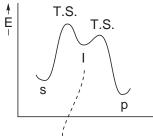


Thermoneutral reaction – transition state resembles both starting material and product equally

2) For reactions which proceed through an intermediate: solvolysis of tertiary alcohol

A — [X] — E

X: discrete intermediate



G. A. Olah received the 1994 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his contributions to carbocation chemistry.

Resemble the geometry of the carbocation intermediate and not that of the reactant (alcohol) or product (alkyl chloride).

Intermediate (for this reaction it will be  $C^+$  so T.S.  $\Rightarrow I$ )

#### Notes

- a. 20 kcal/mol energy available at 25 °C for free energy of activation.
- b. Increase reaction temperature, increase the rate of reaction.
- c. Decrease reaction temperature, decrease the rate of reaction, but increase the selectivity of the reaction.

Hammond *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1955**, *77*, 334. Farcasiu *J. Chem. Ed.* **1975**, 52, 76.

# F. Principle of Microscopic Reversibility

The forward or reverse reactions, run under identical conditions, must proceed by the same mechanisn i.e., if forward reaction proceeds via intermediate X

 $\mathsf{A} \quad \longrightarrow \quad [\mathsf{X}] \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathsf{B}$ 

then reverse reaction also goes through X.

 $\mathsf{B} \quad \longrightarrow \quad [\mathsf{X}] \quad \longrightarrow \quad \mathsf{A}$ 

# III. Reaction Mechanisms and Conformational Effects on Reactivity

# A. Ester Hydrolysis

Reaction driven to completion by final, irreversible step (compare  $pK_a = 17$  to  $pK_a = 5$ ).

- So, possible competing reaction is  $\alpha$ -H removal, but p $K_a$  difference means equilibrium strongly favors ester and OH $^-$ , i.e.;

O O O HO
$$^-$$
 + CH $_3$ - $^-$ C-OCH $_2$ CH $_3$   $\stackrel{-}{\longleftarrow}$  H $_2$ O + H $_2$ C- $^-$ C-OCH $_2$ CH $_3$ 

To deprotonate an ester, must use a strong base which is non-nucleophilic, such as <sup>t</sup>BuOK or LDA.

$$CH_3COOCH_2CH_3$$
  $\longleftrightarrow$   $H_2C-C-OCH_2CH_3$   $pK_a = 25$ 

- 1.  ${}^t\!BuOK$  (p $K_a$  of  ${}^t\!BuOH$  = 19)  $\to$  generates low concentration of anion, and a significant amount of ester always present
  - $\Rightarrow$  self (Claisen) condensation
- 2. LDA (p $K_a$  of  ${}^{i}$ Pr<sub>2</sub>NH = 36)  $\rightarrow$  generates a high concentration of enolate and thus is a good base to carry out stoichiometric alkylation of ester

#### 1. Kinetics of Ester Hydrolysis (Stereochemistry and Rates of Reactions)

Eliel J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 2351.

- Difference in rates much greater than expected if simply considering the difference in either the product or reactant A values.
- Reaction of axial ester decelerated due to more severe developing 1,3-diaxial interactions in transition state (i.e., an axial <sup>t</sup>Bu-like group).

## 2. Same effect is observed, but to a lesser extent with acetate hydrolysis

$$^{\prime}$$
Bu  $^{\prime}$ OH  $^{\prime}$   $^{\prime}$ Bu  $^{\prime}$ OH  $^{\prime}$ Bu  $^{\prime}$ OH  $^{\prime}$ CH<sub>3</sub>  $^{\prime}$ OH  $^{\prime}$ CH<sub>3</sub>

Similarly, the rates of acetylation are  $k_{trans}/k_{cis} = 3.7$ 

Eliel J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1966, 88, 3334.

# **B.** Alcohol Oxidations

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ OH \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ H \\ OH \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{fast} \\ \text{OH} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R \\ \text{OH} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} H \\ O \\ \text{OH} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Slow} \\ R' \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R \\ \text{OH} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OH \\$$

Westheimer J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1951, 73, 65.

$$t_{\text{Bu}} \longrightarrow 0$$
 $t_{\text{Bu}} \longrightarrow 0$ 
 $t_{\text{Bu}} \longrightarrow 0$ 

$$\frac{k_{cis}}{k_{trans}} = 4$$

The rate determining step for the alcohol oxidation is break down of the chromate ester with cleavage of C–H bond and O–Cr bond.

Destabilizing 1,3-diaxial interactions in *cis* chromate ester accelerate its breakdown to the ketone (would be slower if the slow step for the reaction were formation of chromate ester).

Eliel J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1966, 88, 3327.

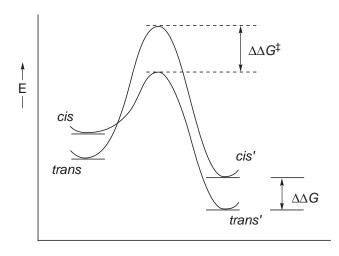
# C. S<sub>N</sub>2 Reactions

The free energy of activation ( $E_a$ , or  $\Delta G^{\ddagger}$ ) for reaction of the *trans* isomer is higher due to steric interactions felt in the transition state (interactions of incoming nucleophile with axial H's).



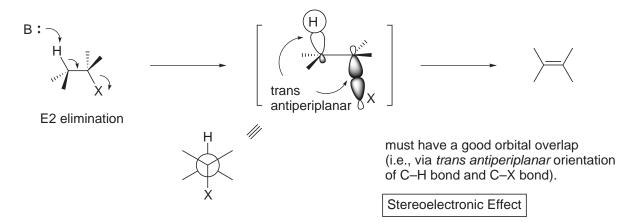
 $\Delta \Delta G^{\dagger}$  greater than  $\Delta \Delta G$  of products.

 The reaction of the trans isomer is kinetically slower and thermodynamically less favorable.



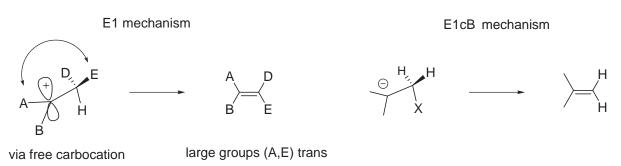
reaction coordinate

# **D. Elimination Reactions**



- Alternatively, if dihedral angle = 0° (i.e., eclipsed X and H), elimination can take place (orbital overlap good).

- Alternate mechanisms also possible:



## **Acyclic Substrate**

# - Examples:

$$\Delta E = 0.9 \text{ kcal}$$

## - For other possible mechanisms:

## Syn elimination

Both are very much destabilized relative to *anti*-elimination T.S. / conformations. Neither contribute to ground state conformation of bromide at room temperature.

## And, there is another product formed:

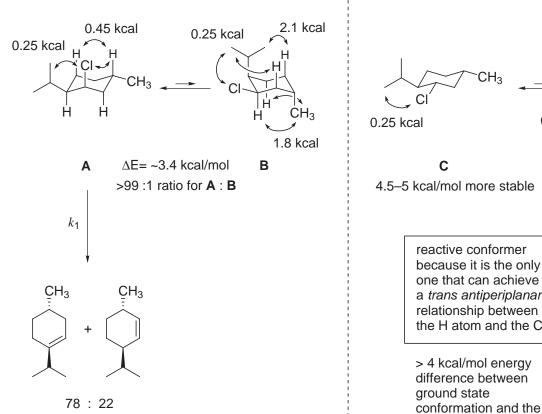
## **Cyclic Substrate**

#### Consider E2 elimination of

neomenthyl chloride

menthyl chloride

#### Look at all conformations of each:



2.1 kcal 0.9 kcal  $CH_3$ 0.25 kcal ~1.5-2.0 kcal D 4.5-5 kcal/mol more stable  $k_2$ reactive conformer because it is the only one that can achieve  $CH_3$ a trans antiperiplanar relationship between the H atom and the Cl > 4 kcal/mol energy difference between only product!

reactive conformation

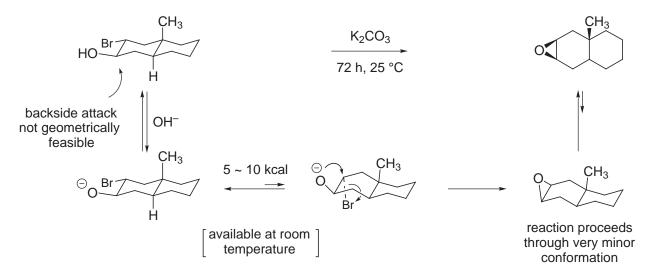
The reaction of the neomenthyl chloride is much faster ( $k_1/k_2 = 193:1$ )

From **D** (menthyl chloride) – only one product is possible

Curtin-Hammett principle: Ground state conformation need not be decisive in determining product of a reaction.

# E. Epoxidation by Intramolecular Closure of Halohydrins

– Must involve backside displacement → geomerical constraints!

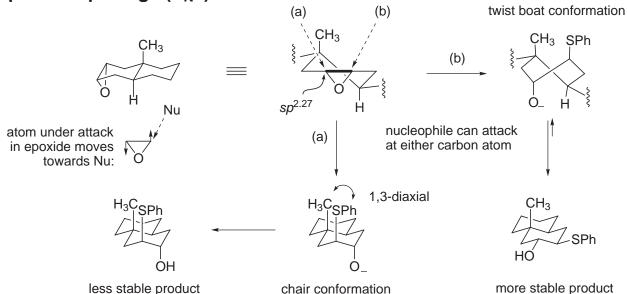


Again, ground state conformation of reactant is not a determinant in reaction product (Curtin–Hammett principle).

- Another example:

reaction much faster and proceeds from a ground state conformation

# F. Epoxide Openings (S<sub>N</sub>2)



This is the only product formed!

Product ratio dependent on  $E_a$  (i.e., relative energy of two T.S.), route (a) proceeding through chair conformation and destabilizing 1,3-diaxial interaction is of lower energy than route (b) proceeding through twist boat T.S.

- Conformational effects determine regioselectivity

# G. Electrophilic Additions to Olefins

#### Follows same principles

Conformational effects control regioselectivity and stereochemistry
 But, it is not always possible to obtain the thermodynamic product
 ⇒ must have the 20–30 kcal/mol of energy required and a mechanism to reverse the reaction.

# H. Rearrangement Reactions

# $pinacol \rightarrow pinacolone rearrangement$

## - Prototype of rearrangement:

heteroatom:

#### Tiffeneau-Demjanov Reaction

Ring expansion of cyclic β-amino alcohols

The course of rearrangement is conformationally dependent:

A value of  $NH_2/NH_3^+$  (1.8–1.4 kcal)

# Compare to:

# Explain the following results:

#### Additional examples

Büchi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1966, 88, 4113.

$$ArO_2SO$$
 $AcO$ 
 $AcO$ 

Heathcock J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 1907.

# I. Pericyclic Reactions

#### 1. Conservation of Orbital Symmetry, FMO Analysis

- Concerted reactions where there is a single transition state and no intermediates proceed through cyclic transition states.
- Cyclic transition state corresponds to an allowed arrangement of participating orbitals that can maintain a bonding interaction between the reaction components throughout the course of the reaction. This dictates features of relative reactivity, regioselectivity, and diastereoselectivity.
- This also established and formalized the viability of utilizing Frontier Molecular Orbitals (FMO) composed of the Highest Occupied Molecular Orbital (HOMO) and Lowest Unoccupied Molecular Orbital (LUMO) to analyze pericyclic reactions.

Woodward, Hoffmann *The Conservation of Orbital Symmetry,* Academic: New York, 1970. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1965**, 87, 395.

Fukui Acc. Chem. Res. 1971, 4, 57; Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1982, 21, 801.

Encouraged by E. J. Corey, Hoffmann began examining mechanistic problems in organic chemistry and, as a junior fellow at Harvard, entered into a collaboration with R. B. Woodward that combined his insights in MO theory with Woodward's knowledge of experimental pericyclic reactions. This led to five papers in 1965 before he was 30 years old, that were the foundation of what we now refer to as the **Woodward–Hoffmann rules**.

R. Hoffmann received the 1981 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the launch and development of the concept of orbital symmetry conservation.

K. Fukui received the 1981 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his Frontier Orbital theory of chemical reactivity.

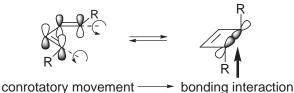
This followed and was not included in the 1965 Nobel Prize in Chemistry awarded to R. B. Woodward for his contributions to the "art of organic synthesis".

## 2. Electrocyclic Reactions

- This is composed of a series of reactions in which a ring closure occurs with formation of a single bond at the ends of a linear, conjugated system of  $\pi$  electrons and the corresponding reverse reaction with ring opening.

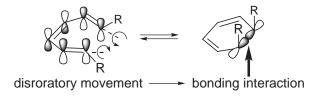
System	$\pi$ electrons	Thermal Reaction Ground State (HOMO)	hv Reaction Excited State (LUMO)
	4 π e <sup>-</sup>	conrotatory	disrotatory
	6 π e <sup>-</sup>	disrotatory	conrotatory
	8 π e <sup>-</sup>	conrotatory	disrotatory
⟨ <u>'</u> + → + <	2 π e <sup>-</sup>	disrotatory	conrotatory
⟨′- → - <	4 π e <sup>-</sup>	conrotatory	disrotatory
(+) (+)	4 π e <sup>-</sup>	conrotatory	disrotatory
	6 π e <sup>-</sup>	disrotatory	conrotatory

4  $\pi$  e<sup>-</sup> thermal reaction (ground state, HOMO)



 Stereochemistry dictated by orbital symmetry allowed reaction course

 $6 \pi e^-$  thermal reaction (ground state, HOMO)



- Generalization:

No. of $\pi$ electrons	Thermal	hν
$4n \pi$ electrons $(n = 0,1,)$	conrotatory	disrotatory
$4n + 2 \pi$ electrons $(n = 0, 1,)$	disrotatory	conrotatory

#### 3. Cycloadditions and Cycloreversions

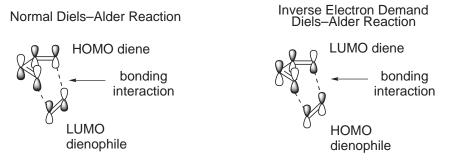
- These are discussed in terms of suprafacial or antarafacial addition to the ends of a  $\pi$  system.



- Generalization:

Total $\pi$ electrons	Allowed in Ground State	Allowed in Excited State
4n	$m_s + n_a$	m <sub>s</sub> + n <sub>s</sub>
	$m_a + n_s$	$m_a + n_a$
4n + 2	$m_s + n_s$	$m_s + n_a$
	$m_a + n_a$	$m_a + n_s$

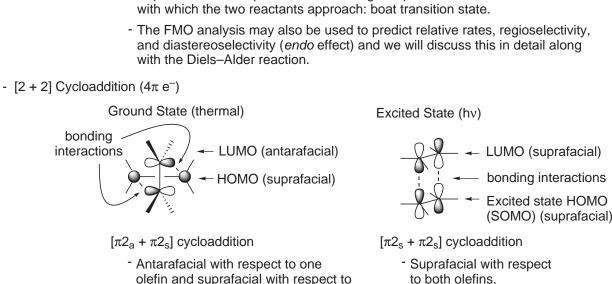
- Diels-Alder Reaction (6π e<sup>-</sup>), Ground State Thermal Reaction



 $[\pi 4_s + \pi 2_s]$  cycloaddition

the second, dicates perpendicular approach to permit bonding.

- Suprafacial with respect to both reacting components and this defines the orientation with which the two reactants approach: boat transition state.



#### 4. Sigmatropic Rearrangements

- Class of reactions characterized by migration of an allylic group from one end of a  $\pi$  system to the other.
- Generalization:

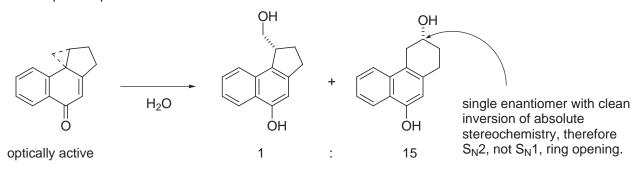
Total π electrons	Ground State	Excited State
4n	antara - supra	antara - antara
	supra - antara	supra - supra
4n + 2	supra - supra	antara - supra
	antara - antara	supra - antara

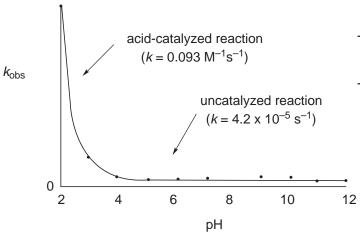
<sup>-</sup> These include a wide range of rearrangements including [1,3]-, [1,5]-, [1,7]-, [3,3]-, and [2,3]- sigmatropic reactions which we will discuss in detail.

# J. Subtle Conformational and Stereoelectronic Effects on Reactivity and Reaction Regioselectivity

## 1. Kinetics, Stereochemistry, and Reaction Mechanisms

- Two of the cornerstones of defining a mechanism rest with the establishment of the stereochemistry of the reaction in conjunction with kinetic studies of the reaction.
- For example, for a reaction that might entail acid or base catalysis, it is common to examine the pH rate profile.



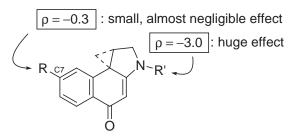


- Below pH 4, H<sup>+</sup> catalyzed reaction dominates.
- Above pH 4 (pH 4–12), the uncatalyzed direct S<sub>N</sub>2 addition reaction dominates.

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1998, 63, 8004; J. Org. Chem. 1999, 64, 5666.

#### 2. Substituent Effects

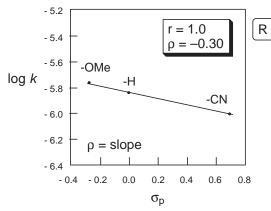
- These can be quantitated using a Hammett treatment and can provide insights into reaction mechanisms.

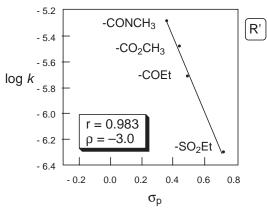


- C7 substituents (R) have little effect on reactivity
- N substituent (R') has a pronounced effect on reactivity and even subtle perturbations will change reactivity greatly (-SO<sub>2</sub>R → -CO<sub>2</sub>R, 10 ×)

ρ values are characterized in a log scale

- The negative  $\rho$  value indicates  $\delta^+$  charge buildup in the rate-determining step of the reaction.





Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1994**, 116, 5523. J. Org. Chem. **1996**, 61, 1710 and 4894.

# 3. Structure versus Reactivity and Reaction Regioselectivity

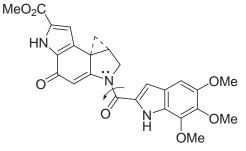
- Structure can have a pronounced effect on reactivity and reaction regioselectivity.

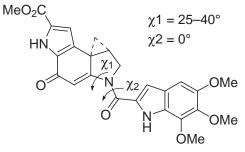
One nice example of this can be illustrated with a series of analogues related to CC-1065 and the duocarmycins which are potent antitumor antibiotics that derive their biological properties from a sequence-selective DNA alkylation reaction. The reactivity changes that one sees as a consequence of the loss of the vinylogous amide stabilization are related to the source of DNA alkylation catalysis.

Binding-induced conformational change: shape-selective catalysis

Alexander R. Todd received the 1957 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on the synthesis of nucleotides and nucleotide coenzymes.

Francis Crick and James Watson shared the 1962 Nobel Prize in Physiology and Medicine for their elucidation of the structure of DNA.

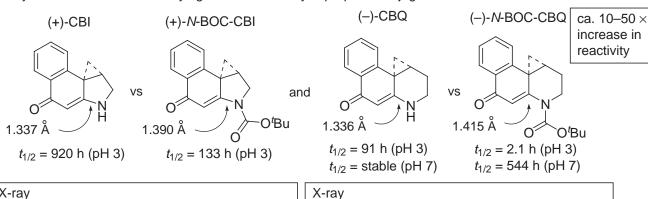


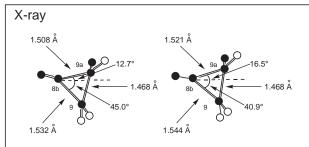


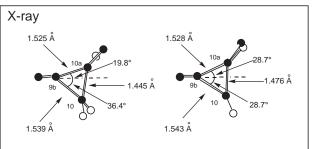
- DNA bound agent adopts helical conformation, twist adjusted at linking amide.
  - DNA bound agent maintains full amide. ( $\gamma 2 = 0^{\circ}$ )
  - Vinylogous amide stabilization diminished. ( $\chi 1 = 25-40^{\circ}$ )
  - Cyclohexadienone structure destabilized.
- **Shape-dependent catalysis**: Preferential activation in AT-rich minor groove. Binding induced twist greatest in the narrower, deeper AT-rich minor groove.
- Shape-selective recognition: Preferential binding in AT-rich minor groove.

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1997**, 119, 4977 and 4987. Boger, Garbaccio Bioorg. Med. Chem. **1997**, 5, 263. Acc. Chem. Res. **1999**, 32, 1043.

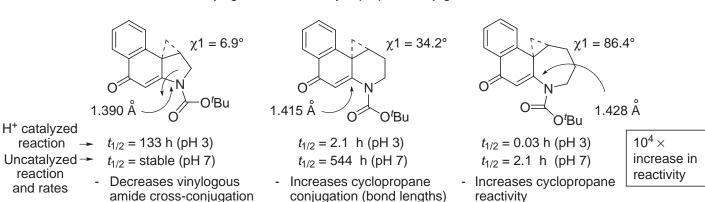
- N-Acylation and its effect on vinylogous amide and cyclopropane conjugation.

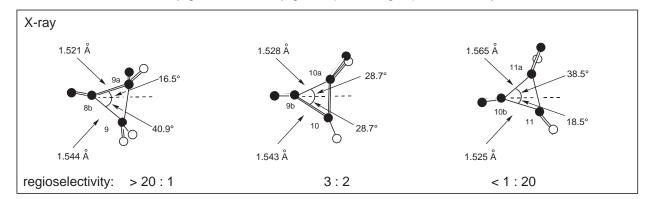






- N-acylation decreases the cross-conjugated vinylogous amide conjugation, increases the cyclopropane conjugation and bond lengths, and increases cyclopropane reactiviity. This can be observed in the corresponding X-ray crystal structures.
- Amide twist effect on the vinylogous amide and cyclopropane conjugation.





- Note the change in solvolysis regioselectivity where the stereoelectronically aligned cyclopropane bond is the bond which is cleaved. The stereoelectronically aligned bond is that which is positioned to best overlap with the developing  $\pi$ -system of the product phenol.
- In each case, the ring expansion occurred with generation of a single enantiomer by a S<sub>N</sub>2 mechanism.

complete reversal of reaction regioselectivity

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1997, 62, 5849; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 4977.

reaction

# K. Methods for the Synthesis of Optically Active Materials

Morrison Asymmetric Synthesis, Academic: New York, 1983; Vol. 1–5.

Note: A summary of approaches which will be highlighted throughout the following material.

## 1. Partial Synthesis

- From readily available, naturally-derived optically active materials, examples include
- a. Progesterone from sapogenin diosgenin.
- b. Synthetic penicillins from the fermentation product 6-aminopenicillanic acid (6-APA).
- c. Vitamin D<sub>3</sub> (1-hydroxycholecalciferol) from cholesterol.

Louis Pasteur (1822–1895) conducted the first separation of a racemate into its enantiomers (by hand!) and by fractional crystallization. Thus, he conducted the first diastereomeric resolution (tartaric acid + quinine). His investigations into the process of fermentation led to the development of microbiology and the important method of preserving foods known as pasteurization. His research into immunity led to preventative vaccinations using weakened strains of bacteria. He developed the first vaccines for rabies.

#### 2. Resolution

- a. Diastereomeric salts and selective crystallization.
- b. Diastereomeric derivatization and chromatography or selective crystallization.
- c. Direct chromatographic resolution of enantiomers on an optically active stationary support.
- d. Enzymatic resolution.
- Kinetic resolution with selective production of desired enantiomer or selective consumption of undesired enantiomer.

Advantage: Both enantiomers are made available.

Disadvantage: 1/2 of the material is wasted if only one enantiomer is desired.

Ambiguous assignment of absolute configuration.

See: Jacques, Collet, Wilen Enantiomers, Racemates, and Resolutions, Wiley: New York, 1981.

A. J. P. Martin and B. L. M. Synge shared the 1952 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for developing the technique of liquid–liquid partition chromatography. Their collaboration also led to the invention of gas–liquid partition chromatography (GLC). The use of chromatography can be traced back to a Russian botanist, M. Tswett, who separated plant pigments by such methods in 1906. Martin and Synge pioneered the rapid progress in this area made in the 1940's and early 1950's.

# 3. Synthesis from Chiral Pool

- Readily available, abundant or naturally occurring starting materials.
- a. Carbohydrates
- b. Amino acids
- c. α-Hydroxy carboxylic acids
- d. Terpenes
- e. Readily available, abundant natural products

O. Wallach, a colleague and collaborator of A. Kekule, received the 1910 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on essential oils that converted the field of natural products from a disorganized collection of confusing observations into a complete, organized and integrated field. He established the isoprene rule.

## 4. Asymmetric Synthesis

- a. Optically active reagent (Stoichiometric)
- b. Optically active auxiliary incorporated into substrate (Stoichiometric)
- c. Optically active catalyst (Catalytic)

See: Koskinen *Asymmetric Synthesis of Natural Products*; Wiley: New York, 1993. Gawley, Aube *Principles of Asymmetric Synthesis*; Elsevier: Amsterdam, 1996.

## 5. Microbial, Enzymatic, or Catalytic Antibody Transformation

See: Wong, Whitesides Enzymes in Synthetic Organic Chemistry; Pergamon: Oxford, 1994.

# **IV. Oxidation Reactions**

# A. Epoxidation Reactions: Oxidation of Carbon-Carbon Double Bonds

Comprehensive Org. Syn.; Vol. 1, 819; Vol. 7, pp. 357 and 389 (asymmetric). First report: Prilezhaev Ber. 1909, 42, 4811.

$$C = C$$

## 1. Peracid Reactivity

Rate increases: 
$$R = CH_3 < C_6H_5 < m-CIC_6H_4 < H < p-NO_2C_6H_4 < CF_3$$
  
 $pK_8$  of acid (RCO<sub>2</sub>H): 4.8 4.2 3.9 3.8 3.4 2.9 0

The lower the p $K_a$ , the greater the reactivity (i.e., the better the leaving group).

#### 2. Mechanism

Butterfly mechanism (usual representation)

Bartlett Rec. Chem. Prog. 1950, 11, 47.

Refined representation: trans antiperiplanar arrangement of O–O bond and reacting alkene,  $n-\pi^*$  stabilization by reacting lone pair in plane.

The synchronicity of epoxide C–O bond formation and an overall transition state structure postulated using *ab initio* calculations and experimental kinetic isotope effects. Singleton, Houk *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1997**, *119*, 3385.

#### 3. Stereochemistry

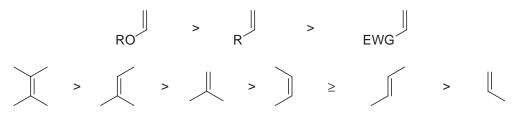
- a. Stereochemistry of olefin is maintained: diastereospecific.
- b. Reaction rate is insensitive to solvent polarity implying concerted mechanism without intermediacy of ionic intermediates.
- c. Less hindered face of olefin is epoxidized.

R = H 20 min, 25 °C 99% 1% 
$$R = CH_3$$
 24 h, 25 °C < 10% 90%

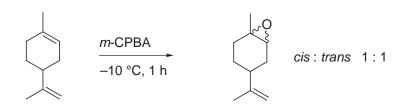
Brown J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 6914.

# 4. Chemoselectivity

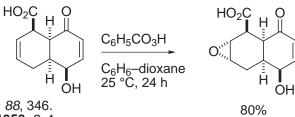
- Electrophilic reagent: most nucleophilic C=C reacts fastest.



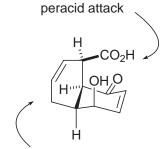
- Examples



$$\begin{array}{c|c}
C_6H_5CO_3H \\
\hline
CHCI_3, 10 min \\
0 °C
\end{array}$$



Hückel *Chem. Ber.* **1955**, *88*, 346. Woodward *Tetrahedron* **1958**, 2, 1. Tamm *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1975**, *58*, 1162.



Concave face hindered toward

Convex face open to peracid attack

#### 5. Diastereoselectivity

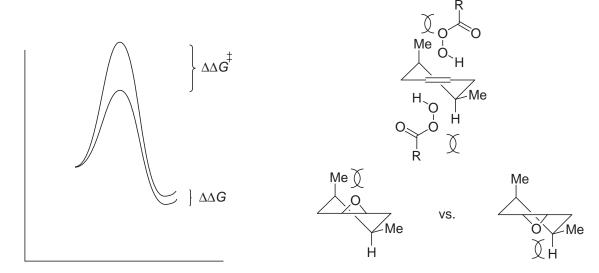
a. Endocyclic Olefins

Rickborn J. Org. Chem. 1965, 30, 2212.

 $\frac{H}{H}$  Me  $\frac{m\text{-CPBA}}{25 \text{ °C, Et}_2\text{O}}$  O,  $\frac{H}{H}$  Me  $\frac{H$ 

Destabilizing steric interaction between reagent and axial Me

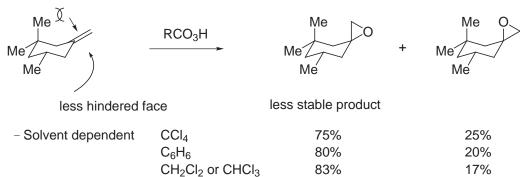
Attack principally from this face



Small difference for products: but larger difference for reagent approach in transition state.

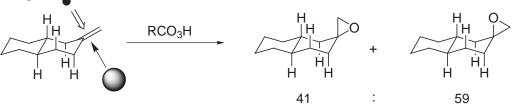
# b. Exocyclic Olefins





Henbest J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1967, 1085.

- The effective size of the reagent increases with increasing solvent polarity, i.e., the solvation shell of the reagent increases in size.
- Small reagent preference: axial attack and 1,3-diaxial interactions vary with size of the reagent.



 Large reagent preference: equatorial attack and 1,2-interactions (torsional strain) are relatively invariant with the size of the reagent.

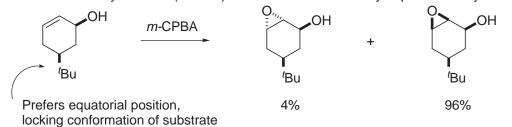
Carlson J. Org. Chem. 1967, 32, 1363.

#### c. Allylic Alcohols (endocyclic)

Henbest J. Chem. Soc. 1957, 1958; Proc. Chem. Soc. 1963, 159.

OR 
$$m$$
-CPBA  $+$  OR  $+$ 

- Diastereoselectivity and rate (ca. 10×) of reaction accelerated by unprotected allylic alcohol.



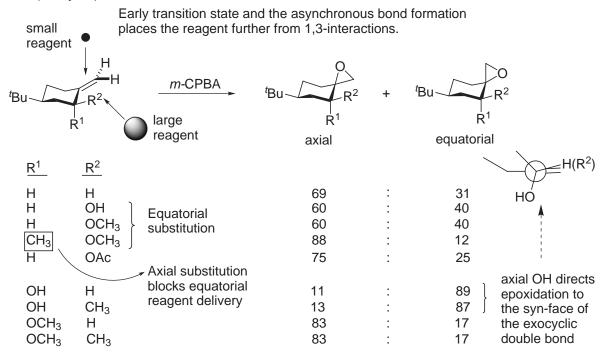
Original proposal for the origin of selectivity:

 Metal-catalyzed epoxidations of allylic alcohols exhibit a more powerful directing effect and rate acceleration (ca. 1000×). Metal bound substrate (as an alkoxide) delivers olefin to metal bound peroxide (tighter association than H-bonding).

Sharpless Aldrichimica Acta 1979, 12, 63.

- This may also be utilized to chemoselectively epoxidize an allylic alcohol vs. unactivated olefin.

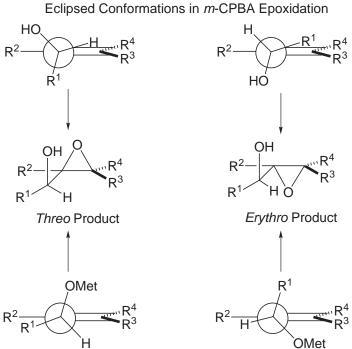
#### d. Allylic Alcohols (exocyclic)



Vedejs and Dent J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 6861.

# e. Acyclic Allylic Alcohols

Generalizations: Eclip



Bisected Conformations in Metal-Catalyzed Epoxidation

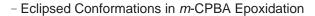
# -Examples

R <sup>1</sup> OH		threo		H vs. alkyl eclipsing interaction with HO,
$R^1 = Me$	<i>m-</i> CPBA	60		double bond has little
IX – IVIE	VO(acac) <sub>2</sub> , <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	20	80	to no effect on selectivity. H eclipsing
= Et	m-CPBA	61		interaction slightly threo more stable.
	VO(acac) <sub>2</sub> , <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	20	80	
= <sup>i</sup> Pr	m-CPBA VO(acac)₂, <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	58 15	85 <del></del>	H,H eclipsing in erythro T.S. favored over H,alkyl eclipsing in threo T.S.
D2 D1				
X- K		threo	erythro	Н
∥ `он				Me Me H
D1 D2	0.00	4.5		Erythro slightly favored HO
$R^1, R^2 = Me$	<i>m</i> -CPBA VO(acac) <sub>2</sub> , <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	45 5	55 <del>▼</del> 95	due to Me,Me gauche
	VO(acac <sub>)2</sub> , BuOOI1	Ü	00	interaction in <i>threo</i> T.S.
$R^1 = Me$	m-CPBA	41	59	Me
$R^2 = nBu$	VO(acac) <sub>2</sub> , <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	2	98 <del>&lt;</del>	H,Bu eclipsing in
<b>D</b> 1	, o (usus)2, sus s	_		erythro T.S. favored over Me,Bu eclipsing in threo T.S.  Bu H OMET OMET erythro
$\mathbb{R}^1$		threo	erythro	
R <sup>4</sup> — OH	<del></del>	41100	0.74.110	
$R^{1}, R^{4} = Me$	m-CPBA	64	36	Similar to $R^4 = H$ . $R^4$ does not sterically
K ,K = IVIE	VO(acac) <sub>2</sub> , <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	29	71 <del>←</del>	influence either T.S. The R <sup>1</sup> steric effect
	VO(4040)2, D40011			predominates.
$R^1$				
/		threo	erythro	
⟨ Он	<del></del>			HO H H
$R^3$	m-CPBA	95	5 -	Large 1,3-allylic H
$R^1, R^3 = Me$	VO(acac) <sub>2</sub> , <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	71	29	strain avoided.  Me  Me
				threo
Me	_	threo	erythro	OMet
Me— OH	<i>m</i> -CPBA	95	5 ←	- Large 1,3-allylic
Me	VO(acac) <sub>2</sub> , <sup>t</sup> BuOOH	86	14	strain avoided.
				H Wie
				threo

Top View

#### f. Refined Models for Directed Epoxidation of Acyclic Allylic Alcohols

- Peracid Mediated Epoxidation Sharpless Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 4733.
  - 1. Trans antiperiplanar arrangement of O-O bond with alkene C=C.
  - 2. H-bonding to distal oxygen of peroxide through the lone pair out of the plane of reaction.
  - 3. Lone pair in plane of reaction provides  $\pi^*$ -lone pair (n- $\pi^*$ ) stabilization. 120°
  - 4. Secondary isotope effect suggests that the formation of the C-O bonds is asynchronous.



Sharpless Aldrichimica Acta 1979, 12, 63.

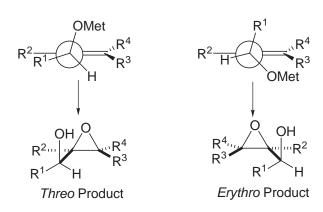
$$R^{2}$$
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 $R^{5$ 

- Transition-metal Catalyzed Epoxidation

- 1. Trans antiperiplanar arrangement
  2. 50° dihedral angle
  3. In-plane lone pair
  4. Lone pair bisects C=C bond

  R

  Top View
- Curtin-Hammett Principle:
  - The reactive conformation is not necessarily related to the ground state conformation.
  - The substrate is forced into a non-ground state conformation due to the geometrical constraints of the reaction.
- Bisected Conformations in Metal-Catalyzed Epoxidation



#### Take Home Problem

Epoxidations of 3 of the 4 olefins below are diastereoselective; the fourth is not. Why?

references: Kishi Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 4229.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 20, 4343 and 4347.

g. Homoallylic Alcohols

- Alternative chair has two axial substituents.
- Intramolecular oxygen delivery occurs through most stable chair-like transition state.

- H-Eclipsed conformation
- Epoxidation from least hindered face
- Not a directed epoxidation!
- Diastereoselectivity still good and through H-eclipsed conformation.

Schreiber Tetrahedron Lett. 1990, 31, 31. Hanessian J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 5276. Mihelich J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 7690.

#### h. Other Directed Epoxidations

- Studies suggest axial -NHCBZ delivers syn epoxide while equatorial does not.

Presence of H-bonding, directing substituent enhances rate and yield of reaction.

Witiak *J. Med. Chem.* **1989**, *3*2, 214. Rotella *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *3*0, 1913.

Mohamadi Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 1309.

Ollis Tetrahedron Lett. 1991, 32, 2687.

#### 6. Scope and Limitations

- a. Olefin geometry is maintained.
- b. Reaction is **diastereospecific**: the stereochemistry of the reactant and product bear a definite relationship to one another.
- c. Reaction can be buffered to prevent epoxide opening. The  $pK_a$  of parent acid is much lower than that of the peracid, and the peracid is not nearly as acidic. Reaction requires the protonated peracid so the buffer must not deprotonate the peracid but should deprotonate the product carboxylic acid.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & H_2O_2 \\ \hline & HCOOH \end{array} \begin{array}{c|c} & H \\ \hline & O \\ \hline & H \end{array} \begin{array}{c|c} & OH \\ \hline & OH \\ \hline & OH \\ \hline \end{array} \begin{array}{c|c} & OH \\ \hline & OH \\ \hline \end{array}$$

Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> / NaHCO<sub>3</sub> CH<sub>3</sub>COOH / NaOAc CF<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>H / Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> – NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>

These reagents can be used as a buffer when the peracids are used as epoxidation reagents.

e.g. HCOOH p $K_a$  3.6 CH<sub>3</sub>COOH p $K_a$  4.8 HCO<sub>3</sub>H p $K_a$  7.1 CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>H p $K_a$  8.2

- So, choose bases (Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, NaHCO<sub>3</sub>, Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>) to deprotonate only the RCOOH formed.
- d. Also, at higher temperatures, a free radical scavenger may be used to avoid peracid decomposition.
- e. Common side reactions
  - 1. Baeyer-Villiger reactions of ketones and aldehydes

- When peracids are used to oxidize olefins to epoxides in the presence of carbonyl functionality (ketones or aldehydes), protection of the carbonyl group may be necessary.
- One may choose to select a reagent which attacks olefins preferentially.
- 2. Oxidation of amines

$$-N$$
  $m$ -CPBA  $-tN$ -O-

- Nitrogen must be protected (e.g., as amide) or another reagent selected.

3. Imine oxidation

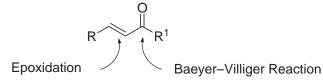
$$R \xrightarrow{m\text{-CPBA}} N_R$$

4. Sulfur oxidation

#### 7. Epoxidation of Electron-deficient Olefins

a.  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated esters: can choose a strong peracid or vigorous reaction conditions

b.  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated ketones: Baeyer–Villiger competes with epoxidation



Solution: different conditions (reagents) are needed

# **B.** Additional Methods for Epoxidation of Olefins

#### 1. H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, NaOH

- The following reaction is **diastereoselective** (but not diastereospecific): a single stereoisomer of the product is formed which bears no relationship to the reactant.

The reaction occurs via a reversible process:

$$\begin{bmatrix} \text{Me} & \text{Me} & \text{Me} & \text{Me} \\ \text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3 & \text{H-O} & \text{O}^- \\ \end{bmatrix}$$

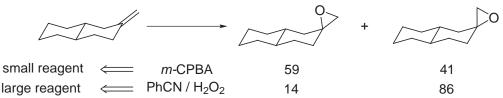
Similarly,

 ${}^{t}$ BuOOH/Triton B Payne *J. Org. Chem.* **1961**, *26*, 651. Triton B = Ph  ${}^{t}$   ${}^{$ 

## 2. Peroxyimidate

RCN 
$$H_2O_2$$
  $NH$   $O$   $H_2O_3$   $NH$   $NH_2$ 

 This reagent permits the use of neutral reaction conditions. Unlike m-CPBA, the reagent behaves as a large reagent and thus approaches from the equatorial face of an exocyclic double bond.



Carlson *J. Org. Chem.* **1967**, *32*, 1363. (*m*-CPBA & PhCN/H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>)

Vedejs J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1989**, 111, 6861. (m-CPBA)

m-CPBA
small reagent, but the interaction will increase with the size of the reagent

PhCN/H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>
larger reagent, but the interaction will not vary with size, predominately equatorial attack

-Analogous reagent: 
$$\begin{array}{c} Ph-N=C=O \\ + \\ H_2O_2 \end{array}$$
  $\begin{array}{c} H \\ Ph \end{array}$   $\begin{array}{c} O \\ O \\ H \end{array}$ 

Christl *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1980**, *19*, 458.

#### Mechanism Problem

Why does this reaction need to be heated to 160 °C?

#### 3. Sulfur Ylides

Me S=CH<sub>2</sub>

$$\frac{Me}{77\%}$$
 $\frac{Me}{87}$ : 13

Me S=Me I  $\frac{n_{\text{BuLi}}}{6}$ 
 $\frac{Me}{Me}$ 
 $\frac{Me}$ 

- This is the result of kinetic control: reaction gives the thermodynamically less stable epoxide product.

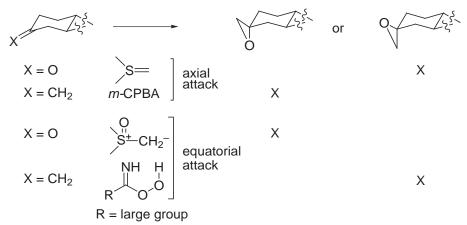
backside attack not possible due to destabilizing 1,3-interactions

For this reaction:

Initial reaction is reversible and is not capable of generating the axial delivery product because of the destabilizing 1,3-interactions in the transition state required for epoxide closure.

#### Summary of Exocyclic Epoxide Formation

Note: defined conformation of 6-membered ring required for comparisons

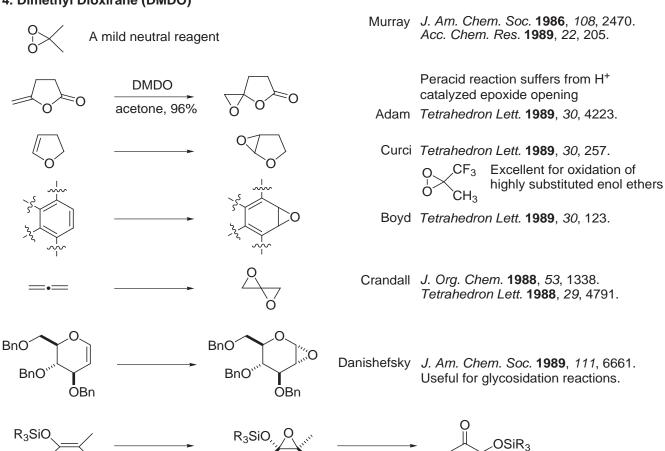


Sulfur ylides deliver "CH2" Peroxides deliver "O"

Learn reagents by:

- 1) Conditions required
- 2) Advantages and disadvantages
- 3) Competitive reactions
- 4) Stereochemistry limitations / highlights

# 4. Dimethyl Dioxirane (DMDO)



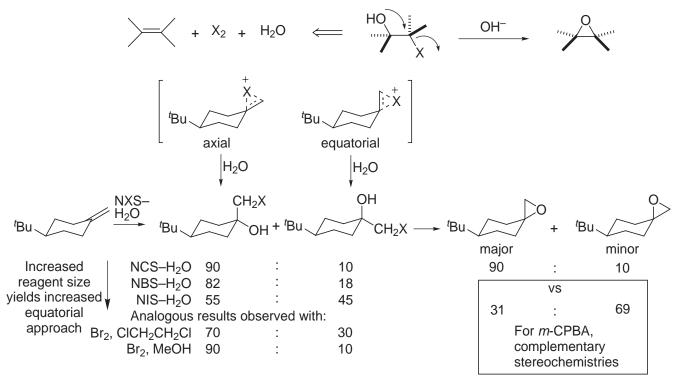
stable and characterizable

Danishefsky J. Org. Chem. 1989, 54, 4249.

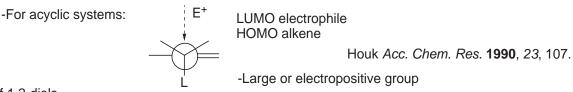
pH dependence: rate at pH 11 > 7, acetone–oxone Shi J. Org. Chem. 1998, 63, 6425.

#### 5. Summary of Other Methods of Epoxide Formation

a. Cyclization of Halohydrins



-The electrophilic reagents behave as small reagents and approach from the axial direction Chiappe *J. Org. Chem.* **1995**, *60*, 6214.



b. Cyclization of 1,2-diols

Shioiri Tetrahedron 1999, 55, 6375.

- primary alcohol > secondary alcohol for tosylation reaction

c. Epoxides from carbonyl compounds

# C. Catalytic Asymmetric Epoxidation

#### 1. Sharpless Catalytic Asymmetric Epoxidation (AE Reaction)

Key references: *Asymmetric Synthesis*: Vol. 5, Morrison, J.D. Ed., Academic Press, Chapters 7 and 8. Reviews: Katsuki, Martin *Org. React.* **1996**, *48*, 1.

Comprehensive Org. Syn.; Vol. 7, pp 389-436.

Sharpless J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1980**, 102, 5974; **1987**, 109, 5765; **1981**, 103, 6237; **1984**, 106, 6430; **1991**, 113, 106, 113; **1987**, 109, 1279.

1. The enantiofacial selectivity of the reaction is general and dependable for assignments.

2. Selectivity is catalyst dependent

Ti(O <sup>j</sup> Pr) <sub>4</sub>	95% ee	Zr(O <sup>i</sup> Pr) <sub>4</sub>	10% ee
Al(O <sup>t</sup> Bu) <sub>3</sub>	5% ee	Hf(O <sup>i</sup> Pr) <sub>4</sub>	3% ee
MoO <sub>2</sub> (acac) <sub>2</sub>	15% ee	$Nb(OEt)_3$	5% ee
VO(O <sup>i</sup> Pr) <sub>3</sub>	17% ee	Ta(O <sup>/</sup> Pr) <sub>5</sub>	39% ee
Sn(O <sup>i</sup> Pr)₄	NR		

3. Chemical Conversion yield

unsubstituted	$R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$	95% ee	15% (isolation problematic)
trans-disubstituted	$R^1$ , $R^3 = H$	>95% ee	70–90%
cis-disubstituted	$R^2$ , $R^3 = H$	85–95% ee	70–90%
1,1-disubstituted	$R^1 = R^2 = H$	85-95% ee	70–90%
trans-1,1,2-trisub.	$R^1 = H$	>95% ee	70–90%
cis-1,1,2-trisub.	$R^2 = H$	>90% ee	70–90%
1,2,2-trisubstituted	$R^3 = H$	>95% ee	70–80%

4. Sharpless asymmetric epoxidation is one of the best known and practical asymmetric reactions utilized in organic synthesis. Discovered in 1980, this catalytic process utilizes an optically active ligand to direct a transition metal catalyzed reaction. Epoxidation from a single face of a prostereogenic allylic alcohol:

HO OH RO<sub>2</sub>C CO<sub>2</sub>R 
$$R = Et$$
 DET R =  $Pr$  DIPT RO  $E = CO_2$ R  $E = CO_2$ R

(Useful in ligand design- predictable and repetitive structural units which reduce number of diastereomeric transition states)

a. Match of Ti / Tartrate such that a single complex dominates the chemistry.

The concentration of each complex in the mixture of complexes is dictated by thermodynamic considerations. However, it could not be predicted that a single species would dominate the Ti–tartrate equilibrium mixture and that this species would be so kinetically active. The tartrate—Ti complex is perfectly matched and slight deviations in the ligand structure or change in the metal alkoxide reduces the effectiveness of the reaction.

b. Ligand acceleration of reaction.

This is not essential but extremely beneficial. It ensures that the enantioselective version of the reaction (the one in which the auxiliary ligand is present) will be the most viable kinetic pathway.

c. Steric and stereoelectronic features of reaction control enantioselectivity.

#### Stereoelectronic:

- 1. Alkyl peroxide is activated by bidentate coordination to the Ti(IV) center.
- 2. The olefin is constrained to attack the coordinated peroxide along the O–O bond axis. (stereoelectronic effect)
- 3. The epoxide C-O bonds are formed simultaneously.

#### Steric factors:

- 1. Bulky hydroperoxide is forced to adopt a single orientation when bound in a bidentate fashion.
- 2. The allylic alkoxide is thereby restricted to reaction at a single coordination site on the metal center. Steric interactions of the bound substrate with the catalyst framework provide for the kinetic resolution patterns.
- 3. Efficient catalytic turnover provided by the labile coordinated ester, permitting rapid alkoxide—alcohol exchange.

Scope	$R^2$ $R^1$					
Epoxidation with Titanium–Tartrate Catalysts OH						
unsubstituted ( $R^1 = R^2 = R^3 = H$ )	R <sup>3</sup> VIII	95% ee	yield 15%			
<i>trans</i> -disubstituted ( $R^1 = R^3 = H$ )	$R^2 = CH_3$	>95% ee	45%			
	$R^2 = {}^nC_{10}H_{21}$	>95% ee	79%			
	$R^2 = (CH_2)_3CH = CH_2$	>95% ee	80%			
	$R^2 = Me_3Si$	>95% ee	60%			
	$R^2 = {}^tBu$	>95% ee				
	$R^2 = Ar$	≥95% ee	0-90%			
	$R^2 = CH_2OBn$	98% ee	85%			
	$R^2 = \bigcup_{O \in \mathcal{S}^2}$	>95% ee	78–85%			
	$R^2 = BnO$	>95% ee	70%			
	$R^2 = \frac{O_{\text{opt}}}{BnO}$	>99% ee	76%			
	$R^2 = \bigcup_{\overline{z} \to z^2}^{O_{z,z}}$	>99% ee	70%			
	$R^{2} = \begin{cases} BnO \\ Ph O OSiEt_{3} \\ BnO \end{cases}$ $R = OBn, OH$	>93% ee	70–88%			
<i>cis</i> -disubstituted ( $R^2 = R^3 = H$ )	$R^1 = {}^nC_{10}H_{21}$	90% ee	82%			
, ,	$R^1 = CH_2Ph$	91% ee	83%			
	$R^1 = CH_2OBn$	92% ee	84%			
	$R^1 = 0$	96% ee	55%			

1,1-disubstituted ( $R^1 = R^2 = H$ )	$R^3$ = -cyclohexyl $R^3 = {}^nC_{14}H_{29}$ $R^3 = {}^tBu$	>95% ee >95% ee 85% ee	81% 51%
trans-1,1,2-trisubstitued ( $R^1 = H$ )	$R^{3} = R^{2} = Ph$ $R^{3} = Me, R^{2} = Et$ $R^{3} = Me, R^{2} = AcO$	>95% ee >95% ee >95% ee	87% 79% 70%
	$R^3 = Me, R^2 = O$	>95% ee	92%
cis-1,1,2-trisubstituted (R <sup>2</sup> = H)	$R^3 = CH_3, R^1 = Bn$	91% ee	90%
1,2,2-trisubstituted ( $R^3 = H$ )	$R^2 = (CH_2)_2CH = C(CH_3)_2, R^1 = CH_3$ $R^2 = CH_3, R^1 = (CH_2)_2CH = C(CH_3)_2$	>95% ee 94% ee	77% 79%
tetrasubstituted	$R^3 = CH_3$ , $R^2 = Ph$ , $R^1 = Bn$	94% ee	90%
	ОН	94% ee	90%

Allylic Alcohols Undergoing Kinetic Resolution with Relative Rates >15 at  $-20~^{\circ}\text{C}$ 

$$R^4$$
  $R^5$   $OH$   $R^1$ 

$$\begin{array}{lll} R^{1} = {}^{n}\!C_{6}H_{13} & R^{1} = {}^{n}\!C_{4}H_{9}, \, R^{3} = CH_{3} \\ R^{1} = (CH_{2})_{2}Ph & R^{1} = cyclohexyl, \, R^{3} = CH_{3} \\ R^{1} = {}^{n}\!C_{4}H_{9}, \, R^{4} = Et \text{ or } CH_{3} \\ R^{1} = cyclohexyl, \, R^{4} = CH_{3} \\ R^{1} = cyclohexyl, \, R^{4} = CH_{3} \\ R^{1} = Et, \, R^{4} = Ph \\ R^{1} = CH_{2}CH(CH_{3})_{2}, \, R^{4} = CH_{3} \\ R^{1} = R^{5} = CH_{3} \\ R^{1} = Et, \, R^{4} = {}^{n}\!C_{6}H_{13} \end{array}$$

Poor Substrates for Asymmetric Epoxidation or Kinetic Resolution Catalyzed by Titanium–Tartrates

#### 5. Kinetic Resolution

Sharpless *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1981**, *103*, 6237. *Pure Appl. Chem.* **1983**, *55*, 589.

 Sharpless epoxidation product is different from the directed oxidation of allylic alcohols by peracids (*m*-CPBA).

relative rates =  $k_S / k_R = 104$  (S)-enantiomer reacts

Sato Tetrahedron Lett. 1987, 28, 6351.

#### 6. Total Synthesis of the L-Hexoses

Sharpless, Masamune *Science* **1983**, 220, 949. *Tetrahedron* **1990**, *46*, 245.

"Reagent-control" Strategy: selection of reagent dictates ultimate absolute stereochemistry of reaction

products irrespective of stereofacial bias of substrate.

"Substrate-control" Strategy: stereochemistry of reaction products dictated by the inherent stereofacial

bias of the substrate.

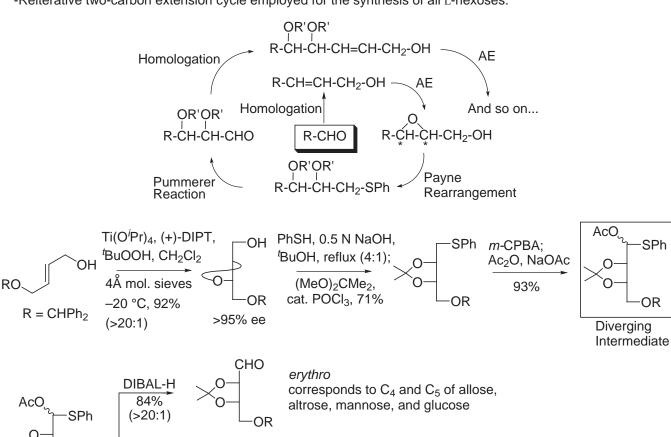
Masamune *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1985**, *97*, 1. Sharpless *Chemica Scripta* **1985**, *25*, 71.

-Reiterative two-carbon extension cycle employed for the synthesis of all L-hexoses:

CHO

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OR



corresponds to C<sub>4</sub> and C<sub>5</sub> of gulose,

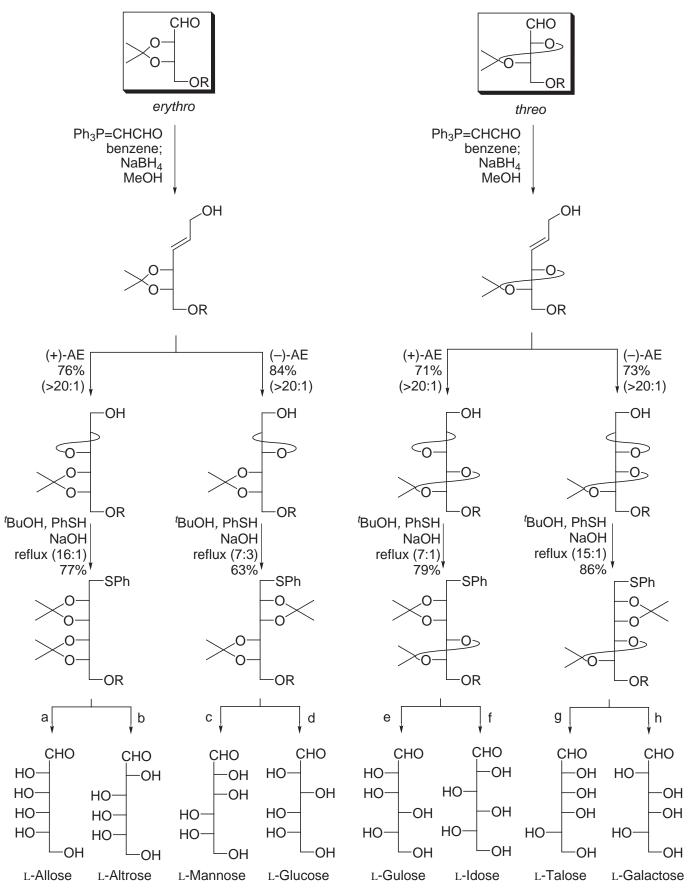
idose, talose, and galactose

OR

K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>,

MeOH, 93%

(>20:1)



For a, c, e, and g: 1. Pummerer reaction, 2. DIBAL-H, 3. Deprotection. For b, d, f, and h: 1. Pummerer reaction, 2.  $K_2CO_3/MeOH$ , 3. Deprotection.

#### -Payne Rearrangement

Payne J. Org. Chem. 1962, 27, 3819.

Base-catalyzed (aq. NaOH) migration of  $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -epoxy alcohols:

- 1. In general, the more substituted epoxide is favored as the reaction product.
- 2. However, steric factors and relative alcohol acidities  $(1^{\circ} > 2^{\circ} > 3^{\circ})$  are additional factors which determine the ultimate composition of the equilibrium mixture.
- 3. The more reactive epoxide can be trapped by strong nucleophiles (e.g., PhSH).

$$ROCH_{2}$$
 $H$ 
 $CH_{2}OH$ 
 $ROCH_{2}$ 
 $OH$ 
 $ROCH_{2}$ 
 $OH$ 
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Emil Fischer attended the lectures of A. Kekule, worked with A. Baeyer as a student and received the 1902 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on carbohydrate and purine syntheses. Discoverer of the Fischer indole synthesis using arylhydrazones, he utilized phenylhydrazine to derivatize carbohydrates as crystalline solids for characterization that enabled him to elucidate their chemistry and structure. From the work of Le Bel and van't Hoff he knew glucose must have 16 stereoisomers and in the now classic studies synthesized most of them and established the correct configuration of glucose. He introduced the use of Fischer projection formulas. He proposed structures for uric acid, caffeine, theobromide, xanthine, and guanine and later synthesized theophylline and caffeine (1895), uric acid (1897), and coined the term purine. By 1900 he prepared more than 130 derivatives including hypoxanthine, xanthine, theobromide, adenine, and guanine. In 1914, he made glucose derivatives and from them the nucleosides. He is responsible for the "lock and key" analogy for describing enzyme-substrate interactions, prepared the D- and L-amino acids with fractional crystallization resolution and made a peptide of 18 amino acids. Having suffered from the effects phenylhydrazine, he is also among the first to implement safety precautions (ventilation) and designed the first exhaust system put into general use.

"...the intimate contact between the molecules...is possible only with similar geometrical configurations. To use a picture, I would say that the enzyme and the substrate must fit together like a lock and key."

Emil Fischer, 1895

W. Haworth received the 1937 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his investigations on the structure determination of carbohydrates (cyclic monosaccharides, disaccharides, and polysaccharides) including their derivitization as methyl ethers and vitamin C. The latter was accepted with wide acclaim and Haworth was also one of the first to prepare vitamin C, the first vitamin to be prepared by synthesis. This made vitamin C available to the world population for the treatment of scurvy, eliminating the need for treatment with fresh limes or lemons.

Albert Szent-Gyorgyi von Nagyrapolt received the 1937 Nobel Prize in Medicine. He was responsible for the isolation of vitamin C for the first time, but was recognized for his investigations into biological mechanisms of oxidation.

Vitamins represent one of the great success stories of organic synthesis. They are necessary requirements of both animals and humans, but cannot be made by these species. The needs are met by dietary sources or through symbiotic relationships with microorganisms (intestinal bacteria). There are now 13 vitamins. All, except vitamin  $B_{12}$  which is produced by fermentation, are made commercially by chemical means.

vitamin C (60,000 metric tons/yr)\* - humans

vitamin E (22,500 metric tons/yr)\* - 75% for animal nutrition niacin (21,600 metric tons/yr)\* - 75% for animal nutrition

vitamin B<sub>12</sub> (14 metric tons/yr)\* - 55% animal/45% human

\* for 1994

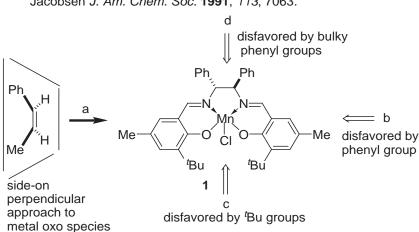
Paul Karrer received the 1937 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his research on carotenoids, flavins, and vitamin A and  $B_2$ . He published over 1000 papers in his career and his textbook on organic chemistry was a classic in the field (13 editions). He along with Hans von Euler-Chelpin (Nobel, 1929) discovered that carotene and vitamin A had the same activity and that the addition of two molecules of  $H_2O$  to carotene produces two molecules of vitamin A, elucidating its structure before it had been isolated. It was in Karrer's lab that George Wald (Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1967) showed that vitamin A plays an important role in the chemistry of vision. The total synthesis of the carotenoids was accomplished by Karrer in 1950. In 1931, he synthesized squalene, he confirmed the structure of vitamin C, and he completed the total synthesis of riboflavin and vitamin  $B_2$  (in 1934), and he completed the first total synthesis of vitamin E (tocopherols) in 1938. He also isolated vitamin K, at the same time as Henrik Dam (Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1943). He and Warburg (Nobel Prize in Physiology or Medicine, 1931) unraveled the role of NADPH and he prepared other coenzymes including thiamine pyrophosphate and pyridoxal-5-phosphate.

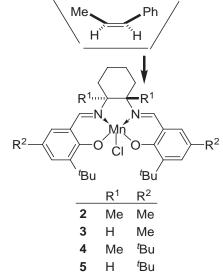
Richard Kuhn received the 1938 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on carotenoids and vitamins. He also put forth the concept of and coined the term atropisomerism. He isolated ca. 1 g of riboflavin, vitamin  $B_2$ , from 5300 L of skim milk and carried out structural studies that led to its structure identification and a synthesis that confirmed it. Kuhn proved the structure of riboflavin-5-phosphate which clarified its double role as an enzyme cofactor (coenzyme) and a vitamin. Similar efforts led to the isolation, structure determination, and synthesis of vitamin  $B_6$ , pyridoxol.

G. Domagk received the 1939 Nobel Prize in Medicine for discovering in 1932 that prontosil protected mice from fatal infections of *Streptococci*. By the end of 1936, sulfa drugs were well on their way to becoming the first antibiotics in wide clinical usage. They are structural analogs of *p*-aminobenzoic acid and inhibit the bacterial formation of folic acid (antimetabolite), which we receive from our diet, selectively preventing bacteria from replicating without exhibiting mammalian toxicity.

# 2. Jacobsen Epoxidation

-Unactivated alkenes Jacobsen J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1991**, 113, 7063.





Styrene still low: 70% ee

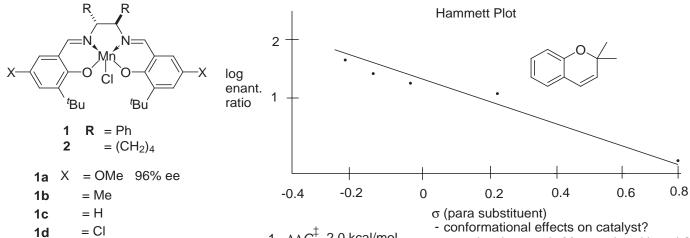
PhMe +	NaOCI	5 mol% cat.	Ph, Me
R,R-1	88%	84% ee	1 <i>R</i> ,2S
S, S- <b>2</b>	54%	49% ee	1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i>
S,S- <b>3</b>	87%	80% ee	1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i>
S,S- <b>4</b>	56%	55% ee	1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i>
S,S- <b>5</b>	81%	92% ee	1 <i>S</i> ,2 <i>R</i>

catalyst <b>5</b> PhMe	84%	92% ee	cat. 0.04 equiv
p-CIC <sub>6</sub> H <sub>4</sub> Me	67%	92% ee	0.04 equiv
	72%	98% ee	0.02 equiv
NC O	96%	97% ee	0.03 equiv
	63%	94% ee	0.15 equiv
PhCO <sub>2</sub> Me	65%	89% ee	0.10 equiv

The above studies focused on steric effects of the catalyst.

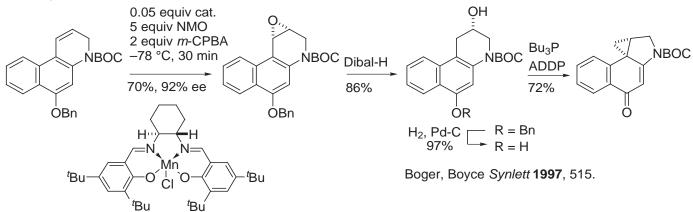
# - Electronic effects of the catalyst

Jacobsen J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 6703.



- 1e =  $NO_2$  22% ee
- 1.  $\Delta \Delta G^{\ddagger}$  2.0 kcal/mol 2. **1e** / **1a**  $k_{\text{rel}} = 4$
- provoke changes in Mn–oxo bond length?
   reactivity vs transition state structure:
- the less reactive catalyst providing a tighter, more product-like T.S.

# -Example



### 3. Chiral Dioxiranes

Shi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 9806.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 11224.

J. Org. Chem. 1997, 62, 2328; 1998, 63, 8475.

J. Org. Chem. 1998, 63, 2948.

(conjugated dienes)

- Examples of trans and trisubstituted olefins

 pH 10 (K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>) suppresses Baeyer–Villiger reaction of ketone precursor.

Reagent generation with  $H_2O_2$ – $CH_3CN$  via in situ generation of  $CH_3C(=NH)O_2H$  Shi *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1999**, *40*, 8721.

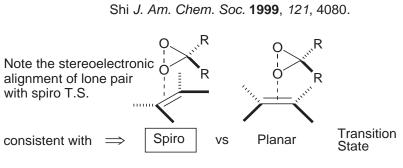
Terminal, disubstituted alkenes via vinylsilanes

Kinetic resolution

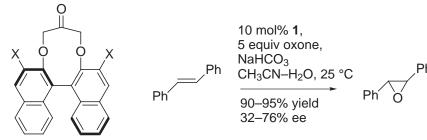
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Ph
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Ph
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Ph
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Enol ethers and esters

Shi Tetrahedron Lett. 1998, 39, 7819.



Yang J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 11311; 1998, 120, 5943.



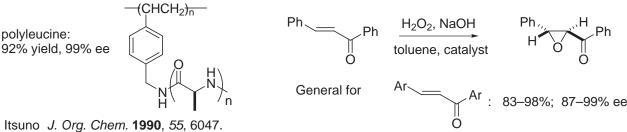
- 1 X = H
- 5 X = Me
- 56% ee
- OXONE® = 2KHSO<sub>5</sub>•KHSO<sub>4</sub>•K<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>

- **2** X = Cl 76% ee
- $X = CH_2OCH_3$  66% ee
- 3 X = Br 75% ee
- 4 X = I 32% ee
- $X = SiMe_3$
- 44% ee

### 4. Polymer Supported Poly Amino Acids

47% ee

Review: Roberts Bioorg. Med. Chem. 1999, 7, 2145.



Vega Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1980, 19, 929.

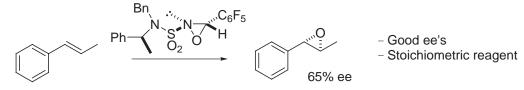
### D. Stoichiometric Asymmetric Epoxidation

1. Chiral Peracids

- To date, ee's are modest (<10%)
- Not catalytic, but stoichiometric reagent

Ewins J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1967, 1085. Montanari J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1969, 135. Rebek J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 5602. Curci J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1984, 155.

### 2. Chiral N-sulfamyloxaziridines



Davis J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 3123. Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 5079. Tetrahedron 1989, 45, 5703.

### E. Baeyer-Villiger and Related Reactions

Comprehensive Org. Syn. Vol. 7, pp 671-688. Org. React. 1957, 9, 73; 1993, 43, 251.

A. Baeyer received the 1905 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on dyes (indigo). He also discovered barbituric acid and named it after his girlfriend Barbara.

### 1. Baeyer-Villiger Reaction

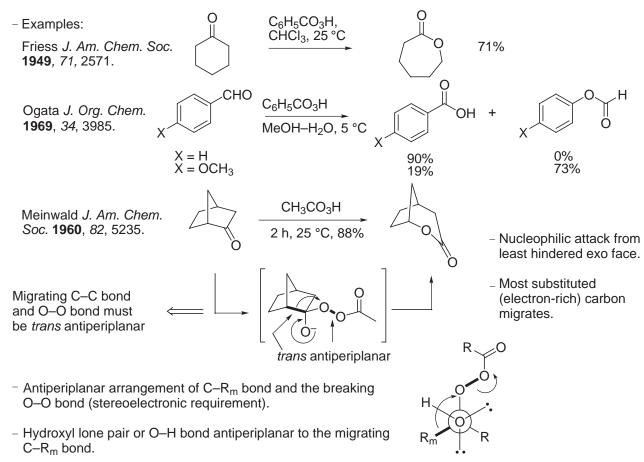
R<sup>1</sup>OH

Baeyer, Villiger Ber. 1899, 32, 3625. Ber. 1900, 33, 858.

Note: Sometimes the Baeyer-Villiger reaction is used not only for preparing carboxylic acids or esters, but also for ROH.

Mechanism: (Peracid nucleophilic addition reaction)

- 1. Alkyl group that migrates does so with retention of configuration.
- 2. The more electron-rich (most-substituted) alkyl group migrates in preference (in general). <sup>t</sup>alkyl > <sup>s</sup>alkyl > benzyl > phenyl > <sup>n</sup>alkyl > methyl Thus, methyl ketones invariably provide acetates.



bonds

- Reaction much slower than norbornone.

- Bis(trimethylsilyl) Peroxide

Me<sub>3</sub>Si-OO-SiMe<sub>3</sub>

cat. = Me<sub>3</sub>SiSO<sub>3</sub>CF<sub>3</sub>, SnCl<sub>4</sub>, BF<sub>3</sub>•Et<sub>2</sub>O

BF<sub>3</sub>•OEt<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

The Baeyer–Villiger oxidation proceeds in a regio- and chemoselective manner and competing epoxidation does not occur.

### 2. Benzylic Hydroperoxide Rearrangement

Alternative to Baeyer–Villiger Reaction
 Would be oxidized by peracid

### 3. Carboxy Inversion Reaction

### 4. Urea-H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>: a safe alternative to H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>

Heaney Synlett 1990, 533.

- Alternative to 90% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> as a source of anhydrous H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>.
- White, crystalline powder.
- Commercially available.
- Dry over CaCl<sub>2</sub> in a desiccator.

Friedrich Wohlers' (1800–1882) synthesis of urea, an organic substance, from inorganic materials in 1828 dispelled the belief that biotic powers were needed to produce organic substances and is considered the birth of synthetic organic chemistry. This was first described in a letter to J. J. Berzelius. In a joint paper, the two wrote: "sugar, salicin (the natural product precursor to aspirin), and morphium will be produced artificially. Of course, we do not know the way yet by which the end result may be reached since the prerequisite links are unknown to us from which these materials will develop-however, we will get to know them."

### F. Beckmann Rearrangement and Related Reactions

An analogous rearrangement reaction can be utilized to prepare lactams and amides.

### 1. Beckmann Rearrangement

Heldt *Org. React.* **1960**, *11*, 1. Gawley *Org. React.* **1988**, *35*, 1. *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 7, pp 689–702.

- Prepared from the oxime.

Beckmann Ber. 1886, 19, 988.

- A wide range of leaving groups and catalysts have been utilized.
  - 1. Group anti to oxime leaving group migrates.
  - 2. The alkyl group migrates with retention of configuration.

Note: Isomerization of oxime or its activated derivative may occur under the reaction conditions and fragmentation to a nitrile may compete when the migrating center is 3°.

### 2. Curtius Rearrangement

Smith *Org. React.* **1946**, *3*, 337. *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 6, pp 806–816.

Curtius Ber. 1890, 23, 3023. (initially not recognized)

$$RCO_2H$$
  $\longrightarrow$   $R-N=C=O$   $\xrightarrow{H_2O \text{ or}}$   $RNH_2 \text{ or } R \xrightarrow{H} O R$ 

- (PhO)<sub>2</sub>P(O)N<sub>3</sub> (DPPA) is a useful reagent for the direct conversion of carboxylic acids to acyl azides under *in situ* conditions for the rearrangement.
   Shiori, Yamada *Tetrahedron* **1974**, *30*, 2151.
- R group migrates with retention of configuration.

### -Examples

$$X = H, Br, CN, OMe$$
 $CO_2H$ 
 $CO_2H$ 

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1995, 60, 1271; 1996, 61, 1710 and 4894; 1997, 62, 5849. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 11335. Synlett 1997, 515.

### 3. Hofmann Rearrangement

Lane *Org. React.* **1946**, 3, 267. *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 6, pp 800–806.

Hofmann Ber. 1881, 14, 2725.

- Reagents employed include basic hypohalides, Pb(OAc)<sub>4</sub>, PhI(OCOCF<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub>, PhIO.
- R group migrates with retention of configuration.

#### 4. Schmidt Reaction

Schmidt *Angew. Chem.* **1923**, *36*, 511. Wolff *Org. React.* **1946**, *3*, 307. *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 6, pp 817–821.

The Schmidt Reaction is a general name for what are three individual reactions:

#### A. Conversion of Ketones to Amides

- Most studied of Schmidt variants, similar to Beckmann Rearrangement.
- Asymmetric variant (Aube) utilizes chiral alkyl azide donors which provide products in high diastereoselectivity.
- Bicyclic ketones slightly favor migration of less substituted group, opposite of Beckmann.
- Reactivity: dialkyl ketone > alkyl,aryl ketone > diaryl ketone > carboxylic acid or alcohol.

### B. Conversion of Carboxylic Acids to Amines

- Acid catalyst usually H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, PPA, TFA-TFAA, or sometimes Lewis acid.
- Good results when R = alkyl, hindered alkyl or aryl.
- Advantage in process length over Hofmann and Curtius Rearrangements, but more drastic conditions.
- Mechanism controversy.

Hayes *J. Org. Chem.* **1979**, *44*, 3682. Koldobskii *Russ. Chem. Rev.* **1978**, *47*, 1084.

### C. Conversion of Aldehydes to Nitriles

$$O$$
 + HN<sub>3</sub>  $H^+$  cat.

- Acid catalyst usually H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, can be Lewis acid.
- Schmidt reaction is the usual byproduct under these conditions to provide formamide.
- More common method is to convert aldehyde to oxime with hydroxylamine, followed by dehydration.
- Aromatic aldehydes are good substrates.

The airbag restraint system in cars is inflated in a fraction of a second by the release of  $N_2$  gas. The nitrogen comes from explosion of a mixture of  $NaNO_3$  and amorphous boron initiated by electronic priming with  $NaN_3$ .

### 5. Lossen Rearrangement

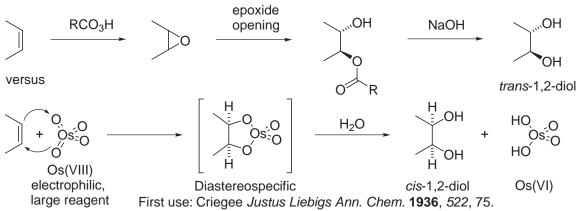
Lane Org. React. 1946, 3, 269 and 366. Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 6, pp 821–823 (basic conditions) pp 824–825 (neutral/acidic)

Lossen Liebigs Ann. Chem. 1872, 161, 347.

Hydroxamic acid

- -prepared readily from carboxylic acids, esters or acyl halides
- R<sup>2</sup>X usually AcCl, ArSO<sub>2</sub>Cl, RPO<sub>2</sub>Cl
- rate of reaction proportional to the acidity of leaving group conjugate acid
- R<sup>1</sup> migrates with retention of configuration

### G. Olefin Osmylation (Dihydroxylation)



Milas J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1936, 58, 1302.

#### 1. Mechanism

[2 + 2] Mechanism:

[3 + 2] Mechanism:

Sharpless J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 3120. Jorgensen Chem. Rev. 1990, 90, 1483.

Sharpless Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Eng. 1993, 32, 1339.

Boeseken Recl. Trav. Chim. 1922, 41, 199. Criegee Angew. Chem. 1938, 51, 519. Criegee Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem. 1942, 550, 99.

#### 2. Scope Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 7, pp 437-448.

Chem. Rev. 1980, 80, 187.

- 1. OsO₄ is an electrophilic reagent, and it behaves as a large reagent.
- Strained, unhindered olefins react faster than unstrained, sterically hindered olefins.
- 3. Electron-rich olefins react faster than electron-deficient olefins.
- 4. Diastereospecific, with attack on the C=C from the least hindered face.

- -but OsO<sub>4</sub> is expensive, volatile, and toxic
- -various improvements: 1) only catalytic amount of OsO4 used
  - 2) use of an equivalent osmium salt (K<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>4</sub>)

### Examples:

H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, cat. OsO<sub>4</sub> *J. Am. Chem.* Soc. **1936**, *58*, 1302; **1937**, *59*, 2345; Synthesis **1989**, 295.

<sup>t</sup>BuOOH, cat. OsO<sub>4</sub> Sharpless *J. Org. Chem.* **1978**, *43*, 2063.

Note: Johnson–Lemieux Oxidation (NaIO<sub>4</sub> and catalytic OsO<sub>4</sub> cleaves C=C bonds, forms diol and then aldehyde: *J. Org. Chem.* **1956**, *21*, 478).

-Alternative reagents to OsO<sub>4</sub>:

KMnO<sub>4</sub>: Synthesis **1987**, 85.

Yields rarely as high as OsO<sub>4</sub> but less hazardous and less expensive especially for large scale

 $RuO_4$  or  $RuO_2$ – $2H_2O/RuCl_3$ – $H_2O$  + cooxidant

More vigorous than OsO<sub>4</sub> and olefin cleavage is observed

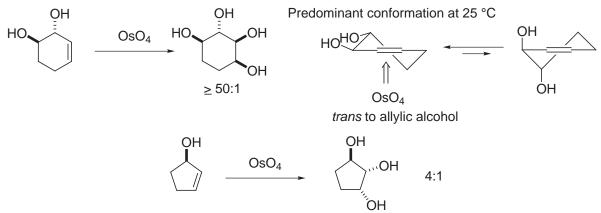
### 3. Diastereoselectivity

### a. Endocyclic Olefins

-endocyclic allylic alcohols

Note: m-CPBA comes in cis to the allylic -OH, but OsO<sub>4</sub> comes in trans to the allylic -OH. So, we obtain:

$$m$$
-CPBA  $m$ -CPBA



### b. Acyclic Systems

-OsO<sub>4</sub> is delivered from face opposite the allylic hydroxyl group in the preferred (H-eclipsed) ground state conformation. *m*-CPBA (*cis* to allylic alcohol 120°)

$$HO_{R^{1}}^{R^{2}} \stackrel{\stackrel{}{\longrightarrow}}{H} \stackrel{\stackrel{}{\longrightarrow}}{R^{3}} = R^{2} \stackrel{\stackrel{}{\longrightarrow} H}{\stackrel{}{\longrightarrow} R^{3}}$$

OsO<sub>4</sub> (trans to allylic alcohol 120°)

Tetrahedron Lett. 1983, 24, 3943, 3947.

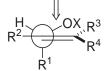
Tetrahedron 1984, 40, 2247.

- Preferred ground state conformation (higher diastereoselection when R<sup>3</sup> is not H).
- Also observed with allylic ethers

electronic effect of alkoxy substituent directs osmylation to reverse face

- Higher diastereoselectivity of Zvs. E isomer implies eclipsed conformation important.

- As R<sup>1</sup> increases in size relative to OX, the selectivity increases.
- X-effect (steric effect): smaller X provides better selectivity.
- There are additional empirical models used to explain the acyclic allylic alcohol induced diastereoselectivity:
- 1. Houk Model (inside alkoxy model): *Science* **1986**, *231*, 1108.

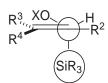


non ground state conformation

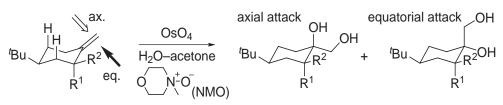
- 2. Vedejs Model:
- J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 6861.
- $R^2$  QX  $R^3$  QX  $R^4$

OsO<sub>4</sub> is large reagent; steric effects between reagent & allylic substituent are important factors

- 3. Panek:
- J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 4873.



- selectivity increases:
- a) OH > OR
- b) now E > Z
- c) with very large R<sup>1</sup>: inside alkoxy or anti Si
- c. Exocyclic Olefins: Vedejs J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 6861.



# OsO<sub>4</sub> is a large reagent, prefers equatorial attack

OsO<sub>4</sub>

Н	OH	<5	95
Н	OCH <sub>3</sub>	<5	95
$CH_3$	$OCH_3$	20	80
Н	OAc	8	92
Н	SCH <sub>3</sub>	<5	95
OH	Н	33	67
OH	$CH_3$	14	86
OCH <sub>3</sub>	Н	88	12
OCH <sub>3</sub>	$CH_3$	90	10
OAc	$CH_3$	67	33
SCH <sub>3</sub>	Н	92	8

Consistent with Kishi empirical model Inconsistent with Houk model

### H-bonding?

eq.

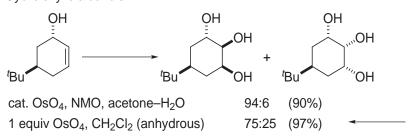
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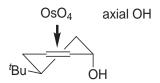
Equatorial attack predominates, except with axial OCH<sub>3</sub>, OAc, SMe: In these cases, equatorial attack further retarded and proceeds at even slower rate (kinetic studies)

### d. H-Bonding and Directed Dihydroxylation

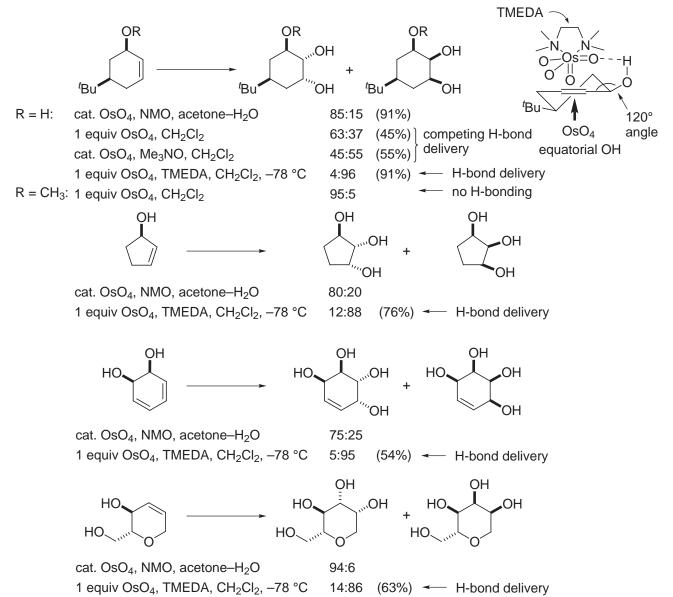
### Cyclic allylic alcohols

Exception:





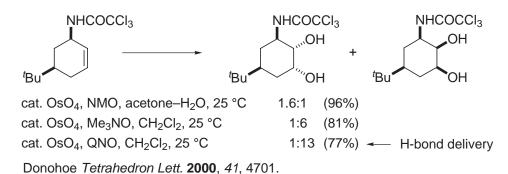
competing H-bonding delivery reduces diastereoselectivity



-OsO<sub>4</sub>-TMEDA can also be utilized to effect chemoselectivity by preferentially oxidizing allylic alcohols over unactivated (non allylic -OH) double bonds.

Donohoe Tetrahedron Lett. 1996, 37, 3407; Tetrahedron Lett. 1997, 38, 5027.

- Catalytic procedures require QNO (quinuclidine N-oxide) and a strong H-bond donor (-NHCOCCI<sub>3</sub>)



Acyclic allylic alcohols

- Results with  $OsO_4/TMEDA$  are analogous to the m-CPBA epoxidation of acyclic allylic alcohols and are derived from a H-bonded delivery from a H-eclipsed conformation.

Donohoe Tetrahedron Lett. 1999, 40, 6881.

### 4. Comparison of Diol Stereochemistry Generated by Different Methods

### a. m-CPBA

hindered face (OsO<sub>4</sub> is a large reagent)

#### b. OsO₄

c. Via Bromohydrin

$$H$$
 $Br_2$  or NBS
 $H_2O$ ; NaOH

OH

 $H^+$ ,  $H_2O$ 
OH

OH

 $OH$ 

-Epoxidation on most hindered face of olefin (to give different epoxide from *m*-CPBA oxidation), *trans* diaxial ring opening (to give same hydrolysis product as from *m*-CPBA oxidation)

-Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 4217: cis dihydroxylation from most hindered olefin face.

 $I_2$ 

d. Prevost

Compt. rend. 1933, 196, 1128.

'OH

e. Woodward

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1958, 80, 209.

-Complements OsO<sub>4</sub> reaction (i.e. *cis* dihydroxylation from most hindered face)

trans-dibenzoate

-Neighboring Group Participation

-Same intermediate as Prevost, but different conditions (+ H2O)

Me

opening

## H. Asymmetric Dihydroxylation Reaction Catalyzed by OsO<sub>4</sub> and Related Reagents

### 1. Catalytic Methods

Sharpless Catalytic Asymmetric Dihydroxylation (AD) Reaction, Review: Chem. Rev. 1994, 94, 2483.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 4263.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 1968.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 1123.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 2041.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1990, 31, 2999, 3003, 3817.

J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 4585.

J. Org. Chem. 1992, 57, 2768.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1992, 114, 7568, 7570.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 7375.

J. Org. Chem. 1993, 58, 3785.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 1278.

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1996, 35, 448.

Second Generation Ligands (Alk = DHQ or DHQD)

First Generation Ligands (Alk = DHQ or DHQD)

Catalyst: OsO<sub>4</sub> (1.25 mol%) or K<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>4</sub> (0.05 mol%, nonvolatile)

Solvent: <sup>t</sup>BuOH or cyclohexane, H<sub>2</sub>O, K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub> Ligands: DHQD or DHQ (0.2 to 0.004 mol%)

Oxidant to recycle OsO<sub>4</sub>: K<sub>3</sub>Fe(CN)<sub>6</sub>

Note: Ligand accelerated catalysis, Sharpless Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1995, 34, 1059.

- -Addition of pyr led to marked increase in rate of formation of cyclic osmate ester from alkene and OsO<sub>4</sub>. First noted by Criegee *Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem.* **1936**, *522*, 75; **1940**, *550*, 99.
- -The "Criegee effect" (or the facilitation of osmylation step by nitrogen donor) has been examined with quinuclidine and cinchona alkaloid ligands: Sharpless *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1994**, *116*, 1278, 8470.

#### -Results:

Good to excellent selectivity (ee%) for:

$$R^{1}$$
 $R^{2}$ 
 $R^{2}$ 
 $R^{2}$ 
 $R^{1}$ 
 $R^{3}$ 
 $R^{1}$ 
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 $R^{5}$ 
 $R^{5$ 

$$R^1$$
  $R^2$   $R^1$   $R^3$   $R^4$ 

### 2. Stoichiometric methods

-Tomioka J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 6213.

Ph N N Ph

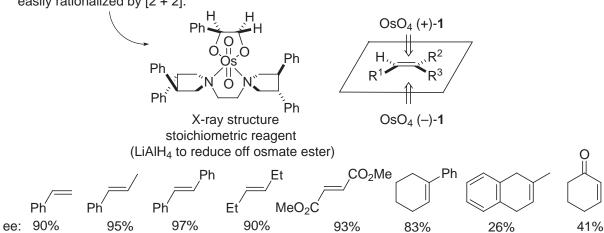
Using 1 as a chiral ligand, good selectivity for:

$$R$$
  $R^2$   $R^1$   $R^3$   $R^1$   $R^2$ 

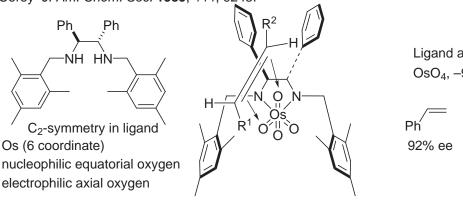
Poor selectivity for:

$$R^2$$

- Product does not seem to reflect most favorable steric approach for [3 + 2] cycloaddition but is more easily rationalized by [2 + 2].



-Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 9243.



Ligand accelerated reaction OsO<sub>4</sub>, –90 °C, 2 h

$$R^{1}$$
  $R^{2}$   $Ph$ 

92% ee 82-98% ee 60% ee

-Other stoichiometric reagents: Chem. Lett. 1986, 131.

Chem. Commun. 1989, 665.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 3951. J. O.

J. Org. Chem. **1989**, *54*, 5834. Tetrahedron **1993**, *49*, 10793.

Tetrahedron Lett. **1990**, 31, 1741.

. .

-Total synthesis of Bouvardin and RA-VII: Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 8544.

OH 
$$Ti(O^iPr)_4$$
 (+)-DIPT,  $^iBuOOH$   $^iPr)_4$   $^iPr)_4$ 

3. Examples

-Vancomycin central amino acid: Boger J. Org. Chem. 1996, 61, 3561; J. Org. Chem. 1997, 62, 4721.

-Luzopeptin Htp amino acid: Boger J. Org. Chem. 1998, 63, 6421; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 1098.

AD-mix-
$$\alpha$$
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-Prediction of absolute stereochemistry is so firmly documented that it may be used to assign absolute stereochemistry. However, there are a few rare exceptions to be aware of, for example:

-Appears to be general for the class of olefins ArCH<sub>2</sub>CH=CH<sub>2</sub>

### I. Sharpless Catalytic Asymmetric Aminohydroxylation (AA)

- Reviews: *Transition Metals for Fine Chemicals and Organic Synthesis*; Beller, M., Bolm, C., Eds.; Wiley-VCH: Weinheim, 1998.

Angew. Chem. Int., Ed. Eng. 1996, 35, 451, 2810 and 2813.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 1207.

Angew. Chem. Int., Ed. Eng. 1997, 36, 1483 and 2637.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1998, 39, 2507 and 3667.

- Development of AA reaction (reactions generally run with 4 mol% catalyst (K<sub>2</sub>OsO<sub>2</sub>(OH)<sub>4</sub>) and 5 mol% ligand ((DHQ)<sub>2</sub>PHAL or (DHQD)<sub>2</sub>PHAL): *in situ* generation and reactions of RN=OsO<sub>3</sub>.

#### a. Sulfonamide variant

- -α,β-unsaturated amides: no enantioselection, AA gives racemic products.
- -reaction works well without a ligand.

#### b. Carbamate variant

 $-\alpha$ ,  $\beta$ -unsaturated esters:

Hesters:

$$CO_2CH_3$$
 $CO_2CH_3$ 
 $CO_2CH$ 

R = Bn 1:1 
$$^n$$
PrOH-H<sub>2</sub>O 94% ee (65%) — Amine can be deprotected by hydrogenolysis.

Et 1:1  $^n$ PrOH-H<sub>2</sub>O 99% ee (78%) by hydrogenolysis.

Bu 2:1  $^n$ PrOH-H<sub>2</sub>O 78% ee (71%) — Amine can be deprotected by acid.

-Reversal of regioselectivity using (DHQ)<sub>2</sub>AQN ligand

-Reversal of regioselectivity using (DHQ)<sub>2</sub>AQN ligand OH 
$$CO_2CH_3$$
  $CBZN(Cl)Na$   $CAL$   $K_2OsO_2(OH)_4$   $CAL$   $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$ 

-Influence of ligand and solvent on regioselectivity:

ligand solvent A:B <sup>n</sup>PrOH-H<sub>2</sub>O 88:12 (DHQ)<sub>2</sub>PHAL - However, enantioselectivities for B regioisomers are poor (0-80% ee). (DHQ)<sub>2</sub>AQN CH<sub>3</sub>CN-H<sub>2</sub>O 25:75

<sup>t</sup>Bu carbamate based AA affords slightly poorer regioselectivities and yields compared to benzyl carbamate series, but enantioselectivities approach 100% in both cases:

-Oxidation of  $\alpha$ -arylglycinols to corresponding  $\alpha$ -arylglycines, see: Boger *J. Org. Chem.* **1996**, *61*, 3561.

-Teicoplanin α-arylglycines Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 7416.

BOCNCINa 
$$K_2OsO_2(OH)_4$$
 HO NHCBZ  $K_2OsO_2(OH)_4$   $K_2$ 

c. Amide variant

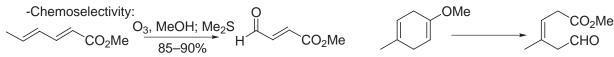
### J. Ozonolysis

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 7, pp 541-591.

Introduced by Harries Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem. 1905, 343, 311.

P. Crutzen, M. Molina, and F. S. Rowland shared the 1995 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for their work in atmospheric chemistry, particularly concerning the formation and decomposition of the protective ozone layer.

-Electrophilic reagent, rate: electron-rich > neutral > electron-deficient olefin



-O<sub>3</sub> exhibits very light blue color, ozonolysis complete when color persists

-Controlled ozonolysis (very reactive agent): KI-starch: characteristic blue color

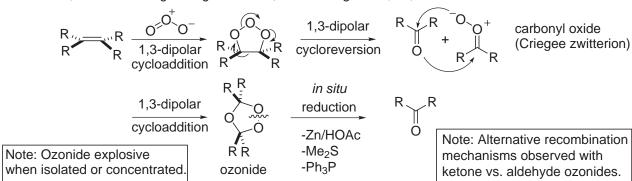
O<sub>3</sub> sensitive dyes with varying reactivities and detect color disappearance: Mitscher *Synthesis* **1980**, 807.

-Oxidative workup:  $H_2O_2$ , KMnO<sub>4</sub>, Cr(VI), RuO<sub>4</sub> -> ketones, carboxylic acids

-Reductive workup: NaBH<sub>4</sub>, LiBH<sub>4</sub> -> alcohols

 $\label{eq:holds} \mbox{Me}_2\mbox{S, Ph}_3\mbox{P, Zn/HOAc}, \ \ \mbox{H}_2\mbox{N} \ , \ \mbox{H}_2\mbox{N} \ , \ \mbox{Pd/CaCO}_3 \ -> \mbox{aldehydes, ketones} \\ \mbox{\begin{tikzpicture}(100,0) \put(0,0){\line(0,0){100}} \put(0,0){\line(0,0){1$ 

-Mechanism, Review: Criegee Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1975, 14, 745.



### V. Oxidation of Alcohols

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 7, pp 251-327.

Stoichiometries:

$$3 R_2 CHOH + 2 CrO_3 + 6 H^+ \longrightarrow 3 R_2 C=O + 2 Cr^{3+} + 6 H_2 O$$
  
 $5 R_2 CHOH + 2 MnO_4 + 6 H^+ \longrightarrow 5 R_2 C=O + 2 Mn^{2+} + 8 H_2 O$   
 $3 R_2 CHOH + 2 MnO_4 \longrightarrow 3 R_2 C=O + 2 Mn^{2+} + 2 H_2 O$ 

## A. Chromium-based Oxidation Reagents

- 1. Collins Reagent: Collins Tetrahedron Lett. 1968, 3363; Org. Syn. 1972, 52, 5.
  - -CrO<sub>3</sub>-pyr<sub>2</sub>, alkaline oxidant
  - -Hygroscopic, red crystalline complex
  - -Can also be isolated and stored, but usually generated in situ by CrO<sub>3</sub> + pyr (Sarett Reagent)
  - J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1953, 75, 422. Note: Add CrO<sub>3</sub> to pyr, not pyr to CrO<sub>3</sub> (inflames)
  - -Good for acid sensitive substrates
  - -Ratcliffe modification: in situ preparation and use in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, J. Org. Chem. 1970, 35, 4000.

RCH<sub>2</sub>OH 
$$\longrightarrow$$
 RCOOH no over oxidation RCH<sub>2</sub>OH  $\stackrel{CrO_3-pyr_2}{CH_2Cl_2}$ , DMF ROOH Provide a mechanism for this transformation. HOAc, 'BuOH

General except for ArCHO

Corey, Samuelsson J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4735.

Review of Cr(VI)-amine oxidizing agents: Luzzio Org. React. 1998, 53, 1.

2. Jones Reagent: Jones J. Chem. Soc. 1953, 2548; J. Chem. Soc. 1946, 39.

$$CrO_3$$
 in aq.  $H_2SO_4$ /acetone  $\longrightarrow$   $H_2Cr_2O_7$   $\xrightarrow{H_2O}$   $2 H_2CrO_4$ 

- -Acetone solvent serves to protect substrate from over oxidation
- -Not good for oxidations of acid sensitive substrates

- -Acidic oxidation conditions, H<sup>+</sup> catalyzed reactions possible
- -Another common side reaction for primary alcohol oxidation:

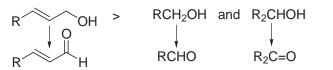
- -Brown oxidation: run under two phase reaction conditions, Et<sub>2</sub>O-H<sub>2</sub>O, *J. Org. Chem.* 1971, 36, 387.
- -[R<sub>4</sub>N]<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> Synth. Commun. **1980**, 75. Oxidation of allylic/benzylic alcohols under neutral conditions.

### 3. Pyridinium Chlorochromate (PCC): Corey and Suggs Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 2647.

- -Chloride facilitates formation of chromate ester (slow step in oxidation reaction)
- -Stable, commercially available reagent

no over oxidation

- -Reaction usually carried out in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>
- -Rates:



- -Usually only need 1-2 equiv of Cr(VI) reagent (Jones & Collins usually require 6 equiv)
- -PCC slightly acidic which can cause side reactions, for example:

-To avoid H<sup>+</sup> catalyzed side reaction, use sodium acetate buffer:

-Can take advantage of acidity in PCC reaction (Boger and Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 2461):

[3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement, Dauben J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 682.

-Aromatic amine effect: dampens reactivity so only selective oxidation of allylic alcohols may be observed

PCC, pyr (2%) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

Chem. Phys. Lipids 1980, 27, 281.

PCC, 3,5-dimethylpyrazole (2%) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

J. Org. Chem. 1983, 48, 4766.

PCC, benzotriazole (2%) in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

Synth. Commun. 1985, 15, 393.

- -3 Å MS accelerate rate of oxidation (PCC and PDC) J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1982, 1967.
- -Pyridinium fluorochromate, related stable reagent that is slightly less acidic (Corey and Suggs)
- -Other related reagents include bipyridinium chlorochromate (BPCC), DMAP chlorochromate, quinolinium chlorochromate, and pyrazinium chlorochromate.

### 4. Pyridinium Dichromate (PDC): Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 399.

$$Cr_2O_7^{-2}$$
 CrO<sub>3</sub> + pyr + H<sub>2</sub>O

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
CH_2CI_2 \\
\hline
RCH_2OH \\
\hline
PDC \\
\hline
DMF \\
RCO_2H \\
\hline
MeOH \\
RCO_2Me
\end{array}$$

- -Stable, commercially available reagent
- -Not as acidic as PCC
- -Oxidations slower than PCC or other oxidation reagents
- -Can selectively oxidize 1° alcohols to aldehyde or carboxylic acid depending on solvent
- -2° alcohols oxidize only slowly and sometimes require an acid catalyst (pyridinium trifluoroacetate or 3 A MS)
- Note: Original reagent made in search of more acidic reagent, attempted preparation of pyridinium trifluoroacetyl chromate (Boger, Ph.D. dissertation, Harvard Univ., 1980).
- -Other related reagents include nicotinium dichromate, quinolinium dichromate, and imidazolium dichromate
- Note: Cr based reagents will oxidize amines and sulfides. Substrates with these functional groups must be oxidized with other reagents (PDC will sometimes leave sulfides unaffected).

#### 5. CrO<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>5</sub>IO<sub>6</sub>: Zhao and Reider Tetrahedron Lett. 1998, 39, 5323.

- -Catalytic in CrO<sub>3</sub> (1–2%, Industrial scale chromium-based oxidations)
- -1° alcohols ---- carboxylic acids with no racemization
- -2° alcohols → ketones

## **B. Manganese-based Oxidation Reagents**

#### 1. Manganese Dioxide (MnO<sub>2</sub>)

- -Very mild oxidizing reagent, special "activated" MnO<sub>2</sub> preparation required
- -Selectively oxidizes allylic and benzylic alcohols to aldehyde or ketone
- -Requires nonpolar solvent (CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, CHCl<sub>3</sub>, pentane, benzene, etc.)
- -Oxidizing reagent : substrate = 10:1 (10 wt. equiv)

- -No isomerization of conjugated double bond. Cr-based reagent will cause problem due to H+ catalysis
- -Chemical MnO<sub>2</sub> (CMD), commerically available, also works well

Shioiri Synlett 1998, 35; Tetrahedron Lett. 1992, 33, 4187.

- -NiO<sub>2</sub>: alternative reagent that behaves similar to MnO<sub>2</sub>
- -Oxidize alcohol to ester, no isomerism of C=C bond (Corey and Ganem J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 5616)

#### 2. KMnO<sub>4</sub>

- a. KMnO<sub>4</sub>/H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>
  - -Good for RCH<sub>2</sub>OH → RCOOH
  - -Reaction runs in aqueous solution because of the insolubility of KMnO<sub>4</sub> in organic solvents
- b. KMnO<sub>4</sub> in <sup>t</sup>BuOH–5% NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> agueous buffer (Masamune *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1986**, 27, 4537).
  - -For highly oxygenated systems where multiple side reaction pathways are present with other oxidants

c. Lemieux–von Rudloff oxidation: aqueous KIO<sub>4</sub>/cat. KMnO<sub>4</sub>
-For cleavage of carbon–carbon double bonds

### 3. R<sub>4</sub>NMnO<sub>4</sub>

-Same capabilities as KMnO<sub>4</sub> but soluble in organic solvents

### 4. Cu(MnO<sub>4</sub>)-6H<sub>2</sub>O and BaMnO<sub>4</sub>

Lee J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 3188; J. Org. Chem. 1982, 47, 2790.

Hauser J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1984, 106, 1862.

Jefford J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1988, 634.

Kim Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 2559.

### C. Other Oxidation Reagents

### 1. RCH<sub>2</sub>OH or R<sub>2</sub>CHOH oxidation

a. Sodium Hypochlorite (NaOCI): Used primarily to oxidize alcohols or aldehydes to carboxylic acids.

Stevens, Chapman J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 2030;

Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 4647.

b. Sodium Chlorite (NaClO<sub>2</sub>) Pinnick *Tetrahedron* **1981**, 37, 2091.

Also Calcium Hypochlorite (Ca(OCl)<sub>2</sub>): McDonald *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1993**, *34*, 2741.

$$RCH_2OH \xrightarrow{NaClO_2} RCO_2H$$

$$RCH_2OH \xrightarrow{RCO_2MeOH} RCO_2MeOH$$

- -Good for oxidation of sensitive aldehydes to carboxylic acids
- -Becoming the method of choice for the oxidation of RCHO to RCO<sub>2</sub>H.
- -Two-step procedures for RCH<sub>2</sub>OH to RCO<sub>2</sub>H (i.e., MnO<sub>2</sub>, Swern, Dess–Martin for RCH<sub>2</sub>OH to RCHO and NaClO<sub>2</sub> for RCHO to RCO<sub>2</sub>H most often better than single step reagent conversions.
- -Scavengers are often added to trap or eliminate positive CI species leading to byproducts. Typical scavengers are resorcinol, 2-methyl-2-butene, DMSO, H<sub>2</sub>NSO<sub>3</sub>H.

$$RCH_2OH \xrightarrow{Ag_2O} RCHO \xrightarrow{Ag_2CO_3} RCOOH$$

$$RCH_2OH \xrightarrow{Ag_2O} RCOOH$$

d. AgO

Corey, Ganem J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 5616.

### 2. m-CPBA and NaIO<sub>4</sub> (Amine and sulfide oxidation)

3. TPAP, [Pr<sub>4</sub>NRuO<sub>4</sub>]

HO 
$$R$$
  $CH_2Cl_2$ ,  $4\text{Å MS}$   $OHC$ 

Ley J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1987, 1625. Aldrichim. Acta 1990, 23, 13. Synthesis 1994, 639.

4. Dess-Martin Oxidation: Dess and Martin J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 300; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 5294; J. Org. Chem. 1983, 48, 4155; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 7277.

-periodinane 
$$RCH_2OH \longrightarrow RCHO$$
  
- $CH_2CI_2$ , 25 °C  $R_2CHOH \longrightarrow R_2C=O$ 

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Danishefsky, Coleman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 3850.



-Precursor to Dess-Martin reagent

-Insoluble in almost all organic solvents but is soluble in DMSO and oxidations in this solvent work effectively (25 °C): Frigerio Tetrahedron Lett. 1994, 35, 8019.

$$\begin{array}{ccccc}
OH & & & & & & \\
R & & & & & & \\
OH & & & & & & \\
OH & & & & & & \\
\end{array}$$

5. Oxoammonium Salt: Torii J. Org. Chem. 1990, 55, 462; Skarzewski Tetrahedron Lett. 1990, 31, 2177. Bobbitt J. Org. Chem. 1998, 63, 9367.

6. Trityl Cation: Jung J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 7882.

TMSO OTMS 
$$\frac{Ph_3C^+BF_4^-}{CH_2Cl_2}$$
 OTMS +  $Ph_3CH$ 

3° carbon H abstracted faster

7. Pt-O<sub>2</sub>: Fuchs and Hutchinson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 4755. -Good for oxidation of 1° alcohols directly to carboxylic acids 1° alcohols > 2° alcohols 2° axial alcohols > 2° equatorial alcohols

#### 8. Via Hypohalite

Just Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 3219.

Hanessian Synthesis 1981, 394.

Doyle Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 2795.

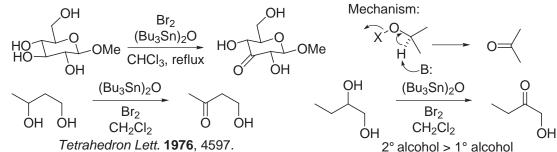
Kanemitsu Chem. Pharm. Bull. 1989, 37, 2394.

Oshima, Nozaki *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1982**, 23, 539.

Stevens Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 4647.

-For example: (Bu<sub>3</sub>Sn)<sub>2</sub>O, Br<sub>2</sub> NiBr<sub>2</sub>, (PhCO<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

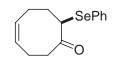
NIS, Bu<sub>4</sub>NI NaBrO<sub>3</sub>, CAN NaOCI, HOAc



9. Oppenauer Oxidation: see Meerwein-Pondorff-Verley reduction, Review: Org. React. 1951, 6, 207. Oppenauer Rec. Trav. Chim. 1937, 56, 137.

> SePh ΌH

$$\frac{\text{Cl}_3\text{CCHO}}{\text{Al}_2\text{O}_3}$$
55 °C, 24 h



- -Suitable for oxidation of 2° alcohol in the presence of 1° alcohol which do not react
- -Good for oxidation of substrates containing easily oxidized functional groups

Posner Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1978, 17, 487; Tetrahedron Lett. 1977, 3227; 1976, 3499.

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4045.

10. Ruthenium Tetroxide (RuO<sub>4</sub>)

RCH<sub>2</sub>OH → RCO<sub>2</sub>H

R<sub>2</sub>CHOH — R<sub>2</sub>C=O

-in situ generation from RuO2-NaIO4 or RuO2-NaOCI:

Tetrahedron Lett. 1970, 4003. J. Org. Chem. 1987, 52, 1149.

from RuCl<sub>3</sub>-H<sub>5</sub>IO<sub>6</sub>:

J. Org. Chem. 1988, 53, 5185. Sharpless

J. Org. Chem. 1981, 46, 3936.

-Note: RuO<sub>4</sub> attacks C=C bonds and will cleave 1.2-diols. Often used to cleave aromatic rings:

**BOCHN** cat. RuCl<sub>3</sub>-NaIO<sub>4</sub> **BOCHN** BnO  $NH_2$ BnBr, 80% **OTBS** MeO

Boger J. Org. Chem. 2000, 65, 6770. (total synthesis of ramoplanin)

**11. TEMPO** 

J. Org. Chem. 1985, 50, 1332. -with cat. NaOCl or NaBrO<sub>2</sub>: J. Org. Chem. 1987, 52, 2559. RCO<sub>2</sub>H

J. Org. Chem. 1990, 55, 462.

-with cat. Ca(OCI)<sub>2</sub>:

Dess and Martin J. Org. Chem. 1983, 48, 4155.

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 1229.

Smith J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 5761. OMe

Vancomycin central amino acid J. Org. Chem. 1996, 61, 3561.

-With NaClO<sub>2</sub>, NaOCl

Zhao, Reider J. Org. Chem. 1999, 64, 2564.

12. Pd-O2: J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 957 and 3329.

Ph OH 
$$\frac{O_2}{\text{pyr, toluene}}$$
  $\frac{O_2}{\text{pyr, toluene}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{pyr, toluene}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{pyr, toluene}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{pyr, toluene}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{HOOPd(OAc)}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{HPd(OAc)}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{HPd(OAc)}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{HPd(OAc)}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{RCH}_2\text{OH}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{CO}_2 + \text{H}_2\text{O}}$   $\frac{O_2}{\text{CO}_2$ 

### D. Swern Oxidation and Related Oxidation Procedures

1. Swern Oxidation: J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 957 and 3329.

Reviews: Chem. Rev. 1967, 67, 247. Tetrahedron 1978, 34, 1651. Synthesis 1981, 165. [DMSO-(COCI)<sub>2</sub>] Org. React. 1990, 39, 297. DMSO + **TFAA** [DMSO-TFAA]

-Also DMSO-Ac<sub>2</sub>O, DMSO-SO<sub>3</sub>/pyr, DMSO-SOCl<sub>2</sub>, DMSO-Cl<sub>2</sub> DMSO-Ac<sub>2</sub>O is often referred to as the Albright-Goldman reagent Albright, Goldman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1965, 87, 4214, 1967, 89, 2416.

2. Corey-Kim Oxidation: Tetrahedron Lett. 1974, 287; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 7586.

$$CH_3$$
 $S$ 
 $CH_3$ 
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3. Moffatt-Pfitzner Oxidation (DCC-DMSO): J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1963, 85, 3027; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1965, 87, 5670.

-All Swern type complexes react with alcohols, in presence of base, to give "activated alcohol complexes". -Examples:

-Fredericamycin A: Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 11839.

Note: **Kornblum oxidation**, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1957**, *79*, 6562 via DMSO oxygen based displacement of halide (usually activated: benzylic or  $\alpha$ -keto halide) to provide aldehyde or ketone.

Common byproducts of Swern oxidations are (methylthio)methyl ethers and the amount varies with DMSO coactivator and reaction temperature. It is derived from alcohol trap of a Pummerer rearrangement intermediate:  $CH_2=^+SCH_3$ .

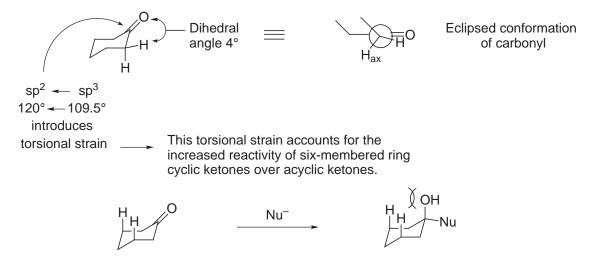
Note: Pummerer rearrangement is also a formal oxidation reaction

Pummerer Chem Ber. 1909, 42, 2282; Chem Ber. 1910, 43, 1401.

Reviews: Org. React. 1991, 40, 157. Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 7, pp 194-206.

### VI. Reduction Reactions

### A. Conformational Effects on Carbonyl Reactivity



Overall, the addition to cyclohexanones is favorable:

- 1. gain 1,3-diaxial interactions (A value = 0.7 kcal/mol for OH)
- 2. lose the torsional strain (~3-5 kcal/mol)
- So, additions to cyclic ketones are thermodynamically and kinetically favorable.

### 1. Reversible Reactions

HCN
reversible reaction

$$K_{eq}$$
 for  $\frac{\text{cyclohexanone}}{\text{acyclic ketone}} \approx 70$ 

- Thermodynamically more favorable for cyclohexanone due to the loss of torsional strain.
- Thermodynamic effect of sp<sup>2</sup> hybridization: the strain free acyclic system does not suffer the strain destabilization of the ground state, so little gain going from sp<sup>2</sup>-> sp<sup>3</sup>.

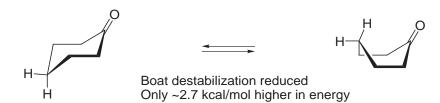
### 2. Irreversible Reactions (kinetic effect is pertinent)

Rate (k) for 
$$\frac{\text{cyclohexanone}}{\text{acyclic ketone}} \approx 335$$

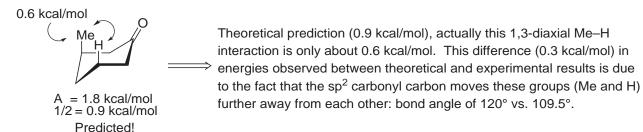
\*Implication: One can selectively reduce a cyclic carbonyl in the presence of an acyclic carbonyl: under kinetic or thermodynamic conditions.

- Synthetic consideration: may not have to protect acyclic ketone.

#### 3. Additional Conformational Effects



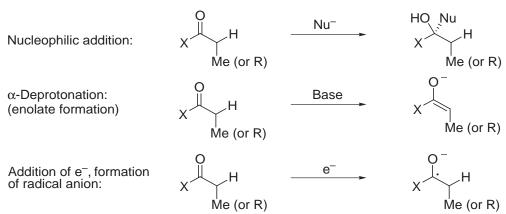
-Cyclohexanones potentially have more accessible conformations available.



- Substituents on the ring benefit from a reduced A value since one axial substituent is removed and the opened bond angle of the carbonyl further reduces the remaining 1,3-diaxial interaction (greater distance).

### **B. Reactions of Carbonyl Groups**

- Three primary reactions which we will discuss relative to nucleophilic addition:



- Each reagent will display competitive reactions among the three primary pathways. Nature of each reagent and the nature of X will determine the course.

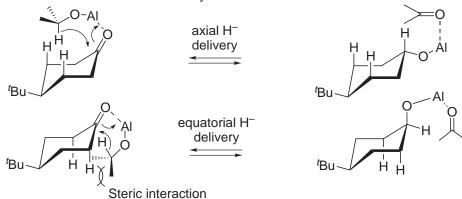
### C. Reversible Reduction Reactions: Stereochemistry

 Meerwein–Ponndorf–Verley Reduction (the reverse reaction is the Oppenauer Oxidation). ⇒ Reversible Reduction

Review: Djerassi *Org. React.* **1951**, *6*, 207. Meerwein *Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem.* **1925**, *444*, 221. Ponndorf *Angew. Chem.* **1926**, *39*, 138. Verley *Bull. Soc. Chim., Fr.* **1925**, *37*, 537.

$$^{t_{Bu}}$$
 + AI $\left(O\left(\right)_{3}\right)$   $^{i_{PrOH}}$   $^{t_{Bu}}$   $^{oH}$   $^{t_{Bu}}$   $^{oH}$ 

- Mechanism: Reversible Intramolecular Hydride Transfer.



- Since it is freely reversible, one obtains the most stable alcohol from the reduction. The reaction is driven to completion by use of excess reagent and by distilling off the acetone formed in the reaction.
- But, the A value of OH = 0.7 kcal/mol and  $K = e^{-\Delta G/RT}$  would predict a 72:28 ratio. Why does the experimental result give better selectivity than the prediction (95:5 > 72:28)?
- We must not only consider the A value, but the larger 1,2-destabilizing steric interactions of the isopropoxy group in the transition state for the equatorial delivery of the hydride: that is, the larger  $\Delta E$  in the transition state.

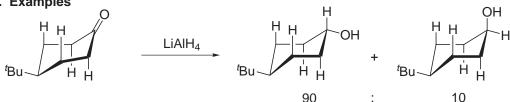
Doering J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1950, 72, 631.

Nasipuri J. Indian Chem. Soc. 1967, 44, 165.

## D. Irreversible Reduction Reactions: Stereochemistry of Hydride Reduction Reactions and Other Nucleophilic Additions to Carbonyl Compounds

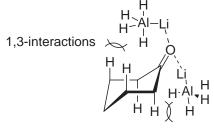
#### 1. Cyclic Ketones

a. Examples



Nearly the same ratio obtained under these kinetic and the above thermodynamic conditions.

Why?



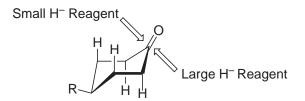
 Difference in the relative rates: 1,2-interactions slow the equatorial addition by a factor of ~ 10

- LiAlH<sub>4</sub> = small reagent  $\implies$  favor axial hydride delivery

1,2-interactions

- 1,3-interactions are more remote (i.e., smaller), when compared to the 1,2-interactions (larger).
- The destabilizing 1,3-interactions increase as the size of the reagent increases or with the size of the 1,3-diaxial substituents while the 1,2-interactions are not nearly so sensitive to the size of reagents or the size of the substituents.

- For the reduction of cyclohexanone and derivatives, we see the following generalizations:



Examples:

Increased steric hinderance of the 1,3-diaxial interactions (Me/reagent) make axial hydride delivery more difficult.

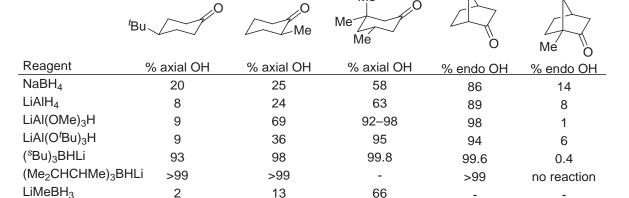
Serious 1,3-interactions preclude axial delivery of the hydride, but the axial Me's have no effect on the 1,2-interactions.

Much larger reagent! Now, even the 1,3-H/reagent interactions are large while the 1,2-torsional interactions are not affected. Brown *J. Am. Chem Soc.* **1972**, *94*, 7159.

Me

Me.

- Comparison of Diastereoselectivity of Hydride Reducing Reagents.



Brown J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 709; 1972, 94, 7159; 1976, 98, 3383.

- Stereochemistry of Other Representative Nucleophilic Additions to Cyclohexanones.



Reagent	% axial OH	% axial OH	% axial OH
MeLi/Et <sub>2</sub> O	65	85	100
MeMgI/Et <sub>2</sub> O	53	84	100
EtMgBr/Et <sub>2</sub> O	71	95	100
PhMgBr/Et <sub>2</sub> O	49	91	100
PhLi	58	88	-

Note: Typically alkyllithium reagents behave as large nucleophiles and approach from the equatorial direction

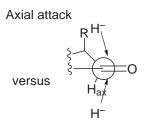
Ashby Chem. Rev. 1975, 75, 521.

V. Grignard received the 1912 Nobel prize in Chemistry for his discovery of the role of organomagnesium halides in organic synthesis which he made as a graduate student working with P. A. Barbier.

$$CN \xrightarrow{Mg} CO$$

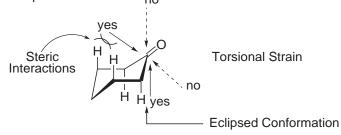
Barbier Compt. rend. **1899**, *128*, 110. Grignard Comp. rend. **1900**, *130*, 1322.

### b. Origin of Diastereoselectivity

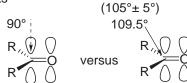


Felkin - equatorial attack (largely torsional strain - when R = H, worse than axial attack mode) —

Note: The direction of attack is not from the axial or equatorial vector, but with a 109.5° approach of the nucleophile.

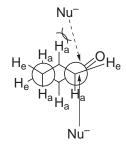


- Stereoelectronic effects



Dunitz angle: *Tetrahedron* **1974**, *30*, 1563. Good overlap and ~ approaches bond angle required of sp<sup>3</sup> hybridization. Better  $\sigma - \pi^*$  overlap (FMO) for nucleophilic addition.

- Cyclic Ketones: Steric vs. Torsional Interactions.



- As the nucleophile gets larger, this steric interaction with the C<sub>3</sub>-axial H gets worse and equatorial approach becomes the preferred line of attack.
- For C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>5</sub>-H substituents, this torsional interaction is worse than the steric interaction of Nu<sup>-</sup> / C<sub>3</sub> and C<sub>5</sub>-H's (for small, unhindered Nu<sup>-</sup>).
- All H<sup>-</sup> reductions have transition states that resemble reactant geometry.
- Diastereoselectivity is influenced by:
  - 1) Steric interactions (1,3-diaxial interactions)
  - 2) Torsional strain (1,2-interactions)
  - 3) Remote electronic effects (electrostatic interactions)
- In contrast to early theories of "product development control" / late transition state vs "steric approach control" / early transition state.

### c. Baldwin's Rules and Burgi-Dunitz Angle of Attack

Recent review: Acc. Chem. Res. 1993, 26, 476.

Dunitz angle of attack: Burgi, Dunitz Tetrahedron 1974, 30, 1563; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 5065.

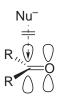
- Nucleophile addition to carbonyl compound takes place not at 90° (perpendicular) to the C=O, but at an angle of  $\sim 105^{\circ} \pm 5^{\circ}$ 

$$sp^2 = 105^{\circ} \pm 5^{\circ}$$

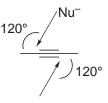
$$sp^{3} = 180^{\circ}$$

$$sp = 120^{\circ}$$



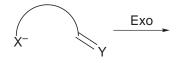




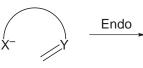


#### Ring closure reactions

- Importance of approach trajectory first detailed by Eschenmoser Helv. Chem. Acta 1970. 53, 2059.
- Expanded and elaborated to: Baldwin's Rules for Ring Closure J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1976, 734, 736.
- Vector analysis and approach trajectory on sp<sup>2</sup>, sp, and sp<sup>3</sup> systems.
- For intramolecular reactions the favored pathways are those where the length and nature of the linking chain enables the terminal atoms to achieve proper geometry for reaction.











#### Baldwin's Rules

Rule 1: tetrahedral (sp<sup>3</sup>) systems (a) 3 to 7-exo-tet are favored

(b) 5 to 6-endo-tet are disfavored

Rule 2: trigonal (sp<sup>2</sup>) systems

- (a) 3 to 7-exo-trig are favored
- (b) 3 to 5-endo-trig are disfavored
- (c) 6 to 7-endo-trig are favored

Rule 3: digonal (sp) systems

- (a) 3 to 4-exo-dig are disfavored
- (b) 5 to 7-exo-dig are favored
- (c) 3 to 7-endo-dig are favored

-Baldwin: Approach Vector Analysis (Vector Sum establishes the approach of reagent).

1. Amides

nonequivalent contributions of each resonance form

line of attack is weighted average of the two contributing resonance forms

2. Carboxylate

equivalent and Nu<sup>-</sup> approaches over (eclipsing) the R group

3. Cyclohexenones

substituents in the C<sub>5</sub> and C<sub>6</sub> position will have a more significant effect on the rate and the stereochemical outcome

Examples:

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Nu}^-\\ \text{CH}_3\\ \text{S} \\ \text{o}\\ \text{a-face} \end{array}$$

- locked trans diaxial ring fusion
- preferential axial delivery of reagent
- equatorial OH is major product
- addition of Nu from  $\beta$ -face (equatorial delivery) suffers from repulsive interaction with axial Me

Houk and Trost J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 3656.

- vs.

H

CH3

H single 1,3-diaxial interaction

major product

- but

H

CH3

interaction

H

CH3

interaction

H

CH3

interaction

H

CH3

Smaller H

CH3

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CH3

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CH3

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- With enones, the substituents in the 5,6-positions play a more dominant role in determining stereochemical outcome of nucleophilic addition to the carbonyl.

# 2. Acyclic Carbonyl Groups

Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 1, pp 49-75.

- Cram's Rule J. Am. Chem Soc. 1952, 74, 5828.

Empirical and no mechanistic interpretation is imposed on model *J. Am. Chem Soc.* **1959**, *81*, 2748. (chelation-controlled addition)

- Prelog *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1953**, 36, 308. (1,3-induction)

- Felkin model: *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1968**, 2199, 2205. (or Felkin–Anh) *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 155, 159.

Nouv. J. Chim. 1977, 1, 61.

V. Prelog received the 1975 Nobel prize in Chemistry for his research into stereochemistry of organic molecules and reactions.

#### a. Cram's Rule

- Empirical Model

Nu

R

Nu

R

Nu

R

D. J. Cram was awarded the 1987 Nobel prize in Chemistry for his "host – guest" complex studies.

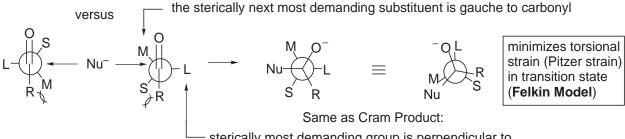
- Large group L eclipsed with R and not the carbonyl, Nu<sup>-</sup>approach from side of small (S) group.
- Stereoselectivity observed usually modest.
- But, most populated (most stable) conformation of acyclic ketone would be the eclipsed carbonyl conformation.

This is not the observed stereochemistry!

Note: Reaction is not from the ground state carbonyl eclipsed R<sub>L</sub> conformation, i.e., the ground state conformation is not the reactive conformation (Curtin–Hammett Principle).

### b. Felkin (-Anh) Model

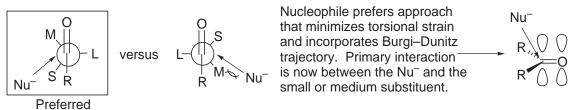
- Large group (L) trans antiperiplanar to forming bond



 sterically most demanding group is perpendicular to the plane of the carbonyl, anti to incoming nucleophile

- Here, L is either the largest group (sterically) or the group whose bond to the  $\alpha$ -carbon provides the greatest  $\sigma$ - $\pi$ \* overlap (e.g. halide, alkoxy groups).
- Computational studies of Anh confirmed this is the most stable transition state and extended it to  $\alpha$ -chloroketones. In the latter case, this minimizes destabilizing electrostatic interactions between the halogen (electronegative group) and the incoming nucleophile.

Anh further refined the Felkin Model, i.e., **Felkin–Anh Model**, as shown below



Note: Karabatose proposed a similar model as an alternative to the original Cram empirical rationalization based on computational studies that suggested the most favored conformation would have the medium-sized group eclipsing the carbonyl and addition of H<sup>-</sup> occurs from the side of the small substituent.

The model incorporating the Burgi–Dunitz angle has been even further refined to reflect the impact of substantially different sized R groups on the carbonyl. As the size difference between the two substituents increases, the incoming nucleophile would try to avoid the larger one and the approach vector would be tilted away from the normal plane by an angle referred to as the Flippin–Lodge angle  $(\alpha_{FL})$ .

Examples:

-First observed in cyclic systems: Cornforth

J. Chem. Soc. 1959, 112 and 2539.

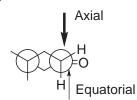
J. Chem. Soc. 1957, 158.

J. W. Cornforth received the 1975
Nobel prize in Chemistry jointly with V.
Prelog for outstanding intellectual
achievement on the stereochemistry of
reactions catalyzed by enzymes.

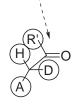


-For cyclic ketones

-For acyclic ketones



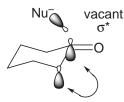


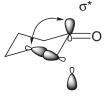


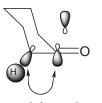
Allylic bonds prefer to be staggered (axial attack) with respect to the incoming nucleophile rather than eclipsing (equatorial attack).

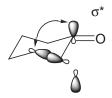
c. Cieplak Model

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 4540.









 $\begin{array}{c} \text{adjacent } \sigma \\ \text{bonds considered} \end{array}$ 

axial attack stabilization

equatorial attack stabilization

- 1. C–H bond is more electron-rich, better  $\sigma$  e-donation in stabilization of the developing  $\sigma^*$  of bond formation than C–C bond, therefore axial approach preferred.
- 2.  $\sigma$  C-O >  $\sigma$  C-H >  $\sigma$  C-C >  $\sigma$  C-S.
- 3. Nucleophile can affect intensity of effect,  $\sigma^*$  (LUMO of developing bond).

LUMO, v effect, v overlap/stabilization

- (a) Electron donation of solvent (polarity) will increase σ\*, ↑LUMO, ↓ overlap,
- ↑ equatorial attack, i.e. preferentially 🕴 axial attack
- (b) Counterion effect: its ability to complex/stabilize  $\sigma^*$ , lower  $\sigma^*$   $\uparrow$  effect,  $\uparrow$  axial attack.
- (c) Electron-rich Nu⁻: ↑ σ\* nucleophile, √ overlap/effect, √ axial attack ↑ equatorial attack.
- 4. Heteroatom at 4-position exhibits preference for axial attack:  $n-\sigma^*$  stabilization. Review: Cieplak *Chem. Rev.* **1999**, *99*, 1265.

# d. Additional Models

- Product development/steric approach control

Dauben: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1956, 78, 2579.

- Torsional strain (preference for staggered conformation in the transition state)

Felkin: *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1968**, 2199, 2205. Houk: *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1987**, *109*, 906.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 3228.

Science 1986, 231, 1108.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1991**, 113, 5018. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1993**, 115, 10992. Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. **1992**, 31, 1019.

cf. Chemtracts: Org. Chem. 1988, 1, 65.

Houk-Trost: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 5560.

- Principles of least motion

Yates: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 3141.

- Stereoelectronic control and smallest change in conformation

Toromanoff: Tetrahedron 1980, 36, 2809.

- Electrostatic model

Kahn, Hehre, Chamberlin: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 650, 663, 666.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 7396, 7399.

higher level calculations than Anh or Cieplak: C–C > C–H electron donation.

remote-through space electrostatics and torsional effects account for Cieplak observations. - Electronic nonequivalence of carbonyl faces

Klein: Tetrahedron Lett. 1973, 4307; 1974, 30, 3349.

- Dissymmetric  $\pi$ -electron clouds

Fukui: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 4054.

Burgess, Liotta: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1984, 106, 4849.

- Antiperiplanar approach of Nu<sup>-</sup> to other bonds

- Preferential attack antiperiplanar to the best electronic acceptor

Anh: Tetrahedron Lett. 1976, 155, 159.

Nouv. J. Chim. **1977**, 1, 61.

Top. Curr. Chem. 1980, 88, 145.

Dunitz, Eschenmoser: *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1980**, *63*, 1158. - Preferential attack antiperiplanar to the best electronic donor

Cieplak Model: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 4540.

J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1997, 530.

Chem. Rev. 1999, 99, 1265.

- Others

Ashby: J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 2890.

Wigfield: J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 2396; 1977, 42, 1108.

- Bent bond or Tau-bond model

Vogel, Eschenmoser: Chem. Lett. 1987, 219.

Winter: J. Chem. Educ. 1987, 64, 587.

- Hyperconjugation

Coxon, Luibrand: Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 7097.

- Recent reviews of the various models: Chem Rev. 1999, 99, 1225-1467.

### e. Comparative Examples of Diastereoselection

- Diastereoselection depends on the size of the ketone substituent. Kobayashi, Ohno *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1988**, *110*, 4826.

Me		Me
Bu	1) TMSLi	Bu
Pn     O	2) Bu <sub>4</sub> NF > 50:1	Pn Š ÖH

Complementary stereochemistry to that illustrated with acylsilanes.

Note: Desilylation proceeds with complete retention (>99:1): Hudrlik *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1982**, *104*, 6809.

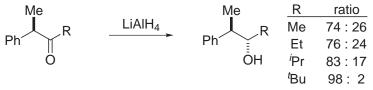
		From 1	From 2
R = Ph	<sup>n</sup> BuLi	<sup>n</sup> BuLi > 100:1 5:1	
R = Ph	MeLi	> 40:1	4:1
R = Ph	$\sim$ SiMe <sub>3</sub>	> 100:1	2:1
R = Ph	// MgBr	11:1	1.7:1
R =	<sup>n</sup> BuLi	> 30:1	1.6:1
	MeLi	> 100:1	1.9:1
~	$\sim$ SiMe <sub>3</sub>	> 30:1	1:1
	// MgBr	11:1	2.5:1
R =	<sup>n</sup> BuLi	15:1	3.5:1
	MeLi	21:1	2:1
<u> </u>	$\sim$ SiMe <sub>3</sub>	> 100:1	1.5:1
	<i>y</i> MgBr	3.5:1	2:1

Note: Typical Felkin diastereoselection is modest.

Note: Diastereoselection is increased dramatically with very large ketone substituent.

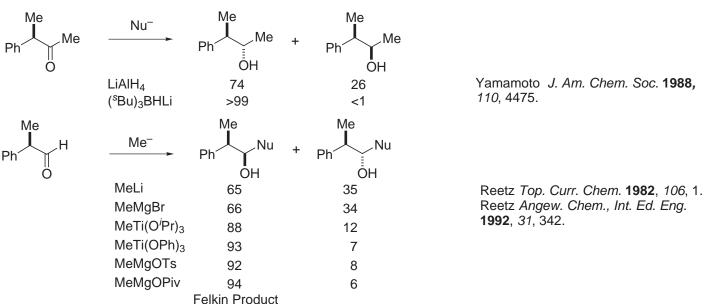
$$\begin{array}{c} O \quad M \\ \\ R \quad S \quad Nu^- \\ \\ SiMe_3 \quad \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \quad M \\ \\ SiMe_3 \end{array}$$

Increase size, increase diastereoselectivity



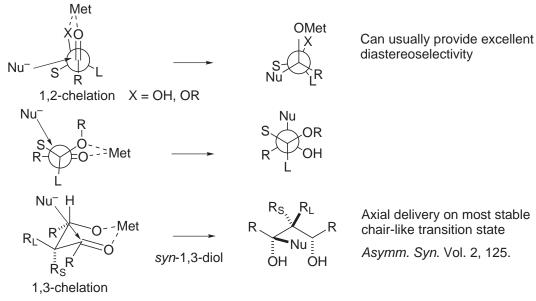
- Diastereoselectivity depends on size of nucleophile.

 $R = {}^{t}Bu > {}^{i}Pr > Et > Me$ 



#### f. Chelation-controlled Addition

- Review: Acc. Chem. Res. 1993, 26, 462.
- 1,2-chelation-controlled additions (α-chelation-controlled additions) also formulated by Cram: *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1959, 81, 2748.
   So please do not refer to as anti-Cram addition as many have!

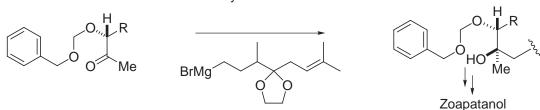


- Examples of 1,2-chelation-control

- Nicolaou J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 6611. 

Zoapatanol synthesis

-But to invert the stereochemistry

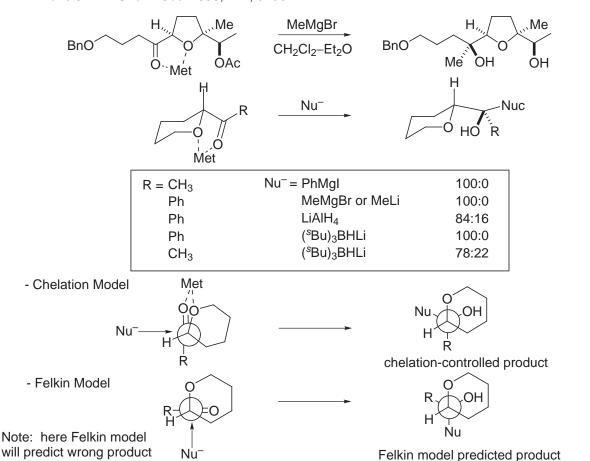


- Still J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 2117, 2118 and 2120. - Monensin synthesis

$$CH_3$$
 $OTBS$ 
 $OTS$ 
 $OT$ 

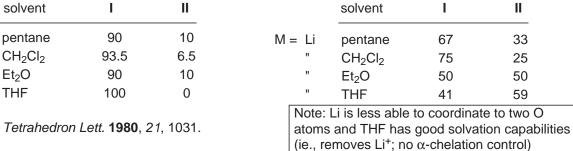
- Note that non chelation-controlled additions exhibit relatively modest stereoselectivities, but chelation-controlled additions can exhibit very good stereocontrol.
- Kishi *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1978**, 2745. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1979**, *101*, 260.

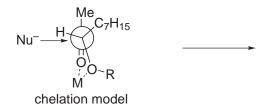
- Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 5290.



# - Effect of metal and solvent

Still Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 1031.





chelation product

Felkin product H C<sub>7</sub>H<sub>15</sub>

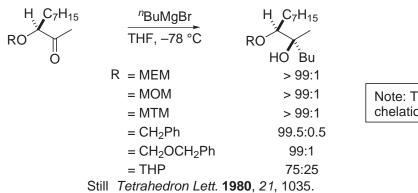
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**MEMO** 

chelation-controlled product

# Two models provide different products

# - Effect of protecting group



Note: THP poor for chelation-control.

LiAlH<sub>4</sub>

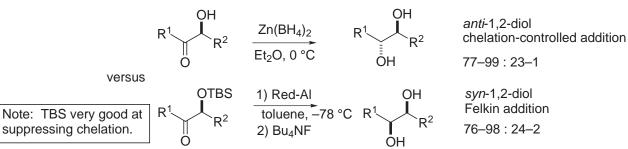
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Note: OTBS does not chelate R = BnEt<sub>2</sub>O, -10 °C THF, -20 °C R = TBS

 chelation-controlled 95 ← Felkin addition

Overman Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 2355.



Nakata Tetrahedron Lett. 1983, 24, 2653 and 2661.

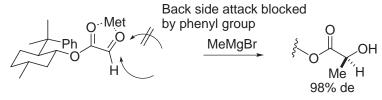
#### - Effect of metal

OBn SnBu<sub>3</sub> OBn Lewis Acid OH BF<sub>3</sub>•OEt<sub>2</sub> 2:3 ZnBr<sub>2</sub> 3:1 MgBr<sub>2</sub> > 250:1 TiCl<sub>4</sub> 
$$> 250:1$$

Keck Tetrahedron Lett. 1984, 25, 265.

OH 
$$K$$
-selectride  $THF$ ,  $-95$  °C  $R$   $OBn$   $Et_2O$ ,  $-30$  °C  $R$   $OBn$   $90:10$   $95:5$  chelation-controlled

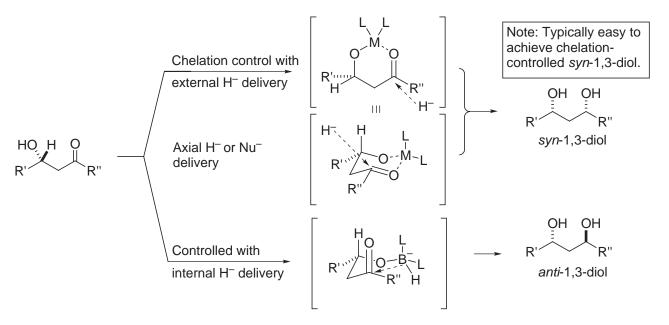
Note: Red-Al was *anti* selective due to coordination of OBn Tsuji *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1985**, *26*, 5139.



Metal chelate and preference for H-eclipsed carbonyl conformation provides a dominant conformation.

Whitesell Acc. Chem. Res. 1985, 18, 280. J. Org. Chem. 1986, 51, 5443.

- -1,3-Chelation-Controlled Additions (β-chelation-controlled additions):
  - First highly selective method was developed with R<sub>3</sub>B/NaBH<sub>4</sub> and later with Et<sub>2</sub>BOCH<sub>3</sub>–NaBH<sub>4</sub> in THF–MeOH: Pai *Tetrahedron* **1984**, *40*, 2233. Shapiro *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1987**, *28*, 155. (*syn:anti* 98:2)
  - Dibal-H (> 92:8 syn:anti) Kiyooka Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 3009.



- Examples of anti-1,3-diol preparation:

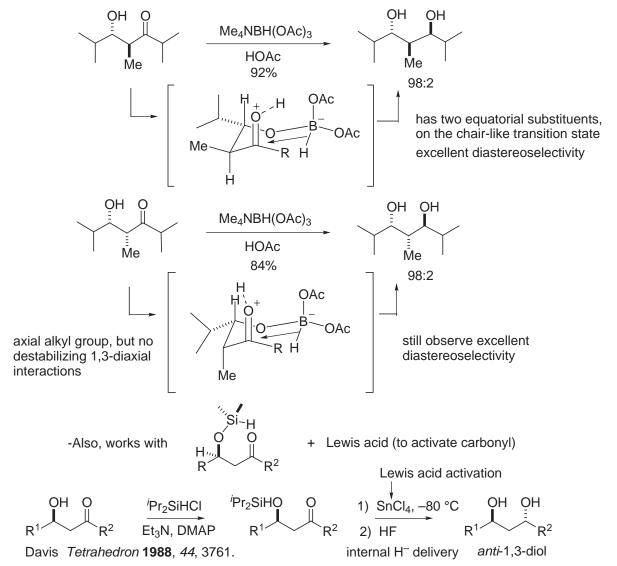
Evans, Carreira, Chapman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 3560.

HOAc, low temperature protonates carbonyl, activation for reduction, no reduction without HOAc

- Note that Me<sub>4</sub>NBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> is unreactive toward carbonyl unless carbonyl oxygen is protonated.
- The key to success is the lack of reactivity of the reagent in the intermolecular reaction, which permits formation of complex:

First example of NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub>/HOAc intramolecular reduction of a ketone, see: Saksena, Mangiaracina *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1983**, *24*, 273.

For the reduction of aldehydes in the presence of ketones which are not reduced, see: Gribble *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1975**, 535.



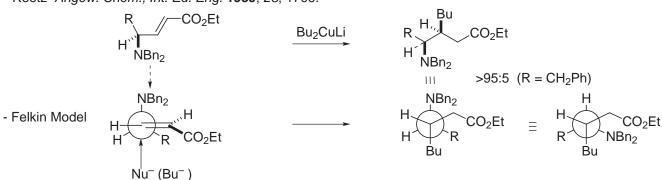
- Nucleophiles other than H

Reetz J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 4833.

Reetz Tetrahedron Lett. 1984, 25, 729.

# g. Felkin Addition to Other $\pi$ -Systems

- Reetz Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1989, 28, 1706.



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- Rationalize the following results:

R 
$$CO_2Et$$
  $BuOOH$   $KO'Bu$   $THF/NH_3$   $R = CH_3$   $R = PhCH_2$   $R = TBDMSOCH_2$   $R = TBDMSOCH_2$   $R = CO_2Et$   $R = CO_2ET$ 

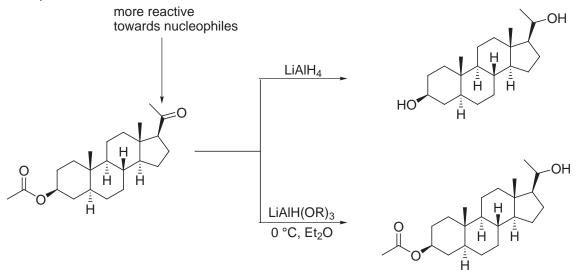
# E. Aluminum Hydride Reducing Agents

- LiAlH<sub>4</sub> coordinates with carbonyl oxygen and activates it towards reduction.

- Rate of addition decreases as additional alkoxy groups are placed on AI:  $k_1 > k_2 > k_3 > k_4$ , especially for hindered ketones.
- The aluminum alkoxide hydrides are stable in that they do not disproportionate.
- Reagents have been designed which are less reactive, thus more selective:
  - Reactivity: LiAlH<sub>4</sub> > LiAl(OR)H<sub>3</sub> > LiAl(OR)<sub>2</sub>H<sub>2</sub> > LiAl(OR)<sub>3</sub>H

- Most common are LiAlH(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> and LiAlH(O<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>

# - Examples:

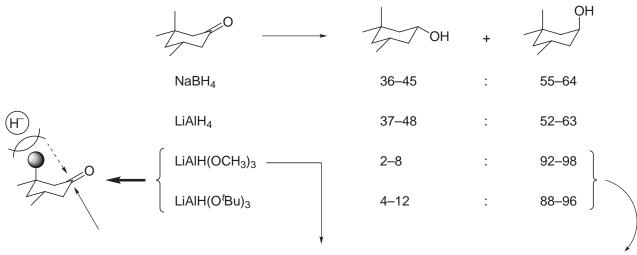


Chemoselectivity: differentiation between competitive functional groups

VS.

Regioselectivity: differentiate between orientations.

- Lithium trialkoxyaluminumhydrides can be chemoselective.

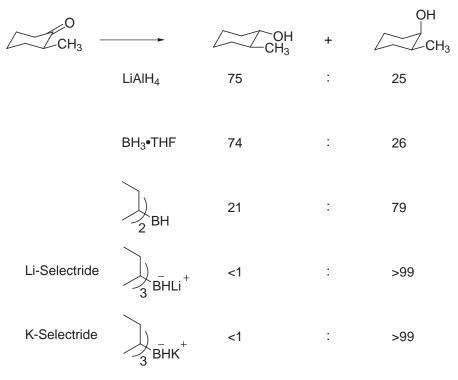


- this is actually dimeric in solution, so effective bulk greater than LiAlH(O<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>
- degree of stereocontrol is concentration dependent with LiAlH(OCH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> (dimer and higher aggregates) but not LiAlH(O<sup>f</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub> (monomeric)

# F. Borohydride Reducing Agents

- Borohydrides (Na<sup>+</sup>, Li<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, Zn<sup>2+</sup>) are nucleophilic H<sup>-</sup> sources.
- Alkoxyborohydrides (RO)<sub>3</sub>B<sup>-</sup>H tend to disproportionate.

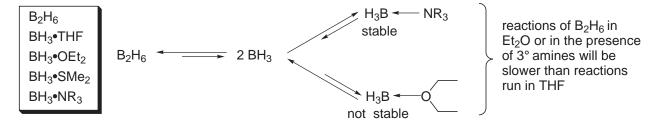
- Therefore,  $k_1 \sim k_2 \sim k_3 \sim k_4$  for the stepwise reactions and you can't typically moderate the reactivity (electronically) by introducing alkoxy substituents.
- However, substitution with bulky alkyl groups on boron will moderate reactivity and diastereoselectivity.



- NOTE: on diborane

$$B_2H_6 = H_2B_1H_3B_2H_4$$
  $2BH_3$   $2H_3B_4$ 

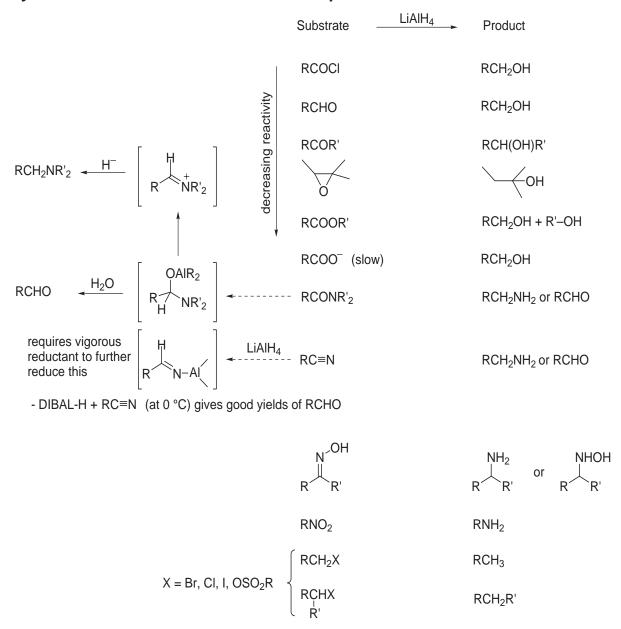
- THF optimally provides uncomplexed, monomeric BH<sub>3</sub> available for reduction (or other reactions).
- In ether (B<sub>2</sub>H<sub>6</sub>), or in the presence of amines (BH<sub>3</sub>•NR<sub>3</sub>), less reactive borane-complexes are formed.



NaBH<sub>4</sub> requires activation of the carbonyl by hydrogen-bonding with alcoholic solvent for reductions.
 Therefore the reactions are run in alcoholic solvents. The reagent slowly reacts with solvent:
 MeOH (30 min) > EtOH (slow) > <sup>i</sup>PrOH (stable) > <sup>t</sup>BuOH (stable).

- But trialkylborohydrides (R<sub>3</sub>B<sup>-</sup>HM<sup>+</sup>) are reactive enough to use in ethereal solvents (e.g., THF) and don't require this activation of C=O by solvent.
- LiBH $_4$  is also more reactive than NaBH $_4$  (Li<sup>+</sup> coordinates better to carbonyl oxygen, activating the carbonyl toward attack by H $^-$ ).
- Differences in reactivity can give rise to Chemoselectivity:

# **G. Hydride Reductions of Functional Groups**



- or other specially selected amides will cleanly give aldehyde:

enlisting these electrons disrupt the aromaticity of pyrazole

1. 
$$\frac{\text{LiAlH}_4}{\text{Et}_2\text{O}, 0 ^{\circ}\text{C}}$$
  $\frac{\text{LiAlH}_4}{\text{Et}_2\text{O}, 0 ^{\circ}\text{C}}$   $\frac{\text{R}}{\text{N}}$   $\frac{\text{N}}{\text{Very slow}}$   $\frac{\text{R}}{\text{N}}$   $\frac{\text{N}}{\text{N}}$   $\frac{\text{N}}{\text{N}}$ 

intermediate very slow

no longer aromatic

Ried Angew. Chem. 1958, 70, 165.

2. R N LiAlH<sub>4</sub> 
$$\begin{bmatrix} O-AI \\ R \end{bmatrix}$$
 very slow  $\begin{bmatrix} H \\ R \end{bmatrix}$  too strained

Brown J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 2016 and 4549.

# 3. Weinreb amide

- A more recent and now widely employed method for controlled reduction and nucleophilic addition (i.e. RLi) to carboxamides was introduced by Weinreb (Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 22, 3815).

Chelation stabilizes intermediate which does not breakdown during the reaction, but only upon workup.

Castro Synthesis 1983, 676.

Lipshutz Tetrahedron Lett. 1999, 40, 7889.

4. The Rosenmund reduction is a much older method that may be utilized to convert carboxylic acids to aldehydes via the acid chloride.

$$RCO_2H \longrightarrow RCOCI \xrightarrow{H_2} RCHO$$

Rosenmund Ber. 1921, 54, 425; Ber. 1918, 51, 585.

Review: Org. React. 1948, 4, 362.

Burgstahler Synthesis 1976, 767.

5. Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH will selectively reduce selenoesters to aldehydes without further reduction by a free radical mechanism.

Pfenninger Helv. Chim. Acta 1980, 63, 2328.

- Review of RCOX —— RCHO: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 8, pp 259 and 283.
  - 6. Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH-InCl<sub>3</sub>

RCOCI
$$\begin{array}{c}
Bu_3SnH \\
0.1 \text{ equiv InCI}_3 \\
0.2 \text{ equiv Ph}_3P \\
> 80\%
\end{array}$$
RCHO

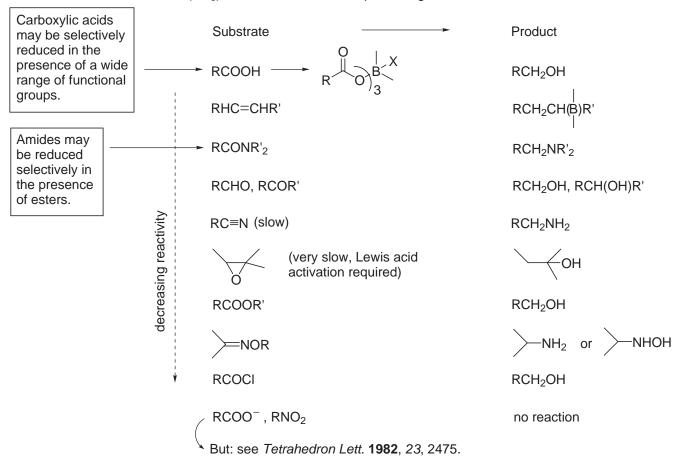
Baba Tetrahedron Lett. 2000, 41, 113.

7. McFadyen-Stevens reduction: J. Chem. Soc. 1936, 584.

NHTs 
$$\xrightarrow{B:}$$
  $\xrightarrow{R}$   $\xrightarrow{N}$   $\xrightarrow{N^-}$   $\xrightarrow{R}$   $\xrightarrow{R}$ 

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1988, 53, 1405. (Prodigiosin)

- Reactions of Borane (BH<sub>3</sub>) ----- an electrophilic reagent



# H. Characteristics of Hydride Reducing Agents

# **Borohydrides**

#### 1. NaBH<sub>4</sub>

- Review: Aldrichim. Acta 1979, 12, 3.
- Mild reducing agent used primarily for the reduction of aldehydes and ketones.
- Also available as NaBD<sub>4</sub>, NaBT<sub>4</sub> (although somewhat less reactive) for labelling.
- H<sup>+</sup> workup of NaBH<sub>4</sub> reductions may form BH<sub>3</sub> (if excess NaBH<sub>4</sub> used)
- might react with other functional groups (this is the origin of the discovery of BH<sub>3</sub> and its hydroboration of alkenes).
- NaBH<sub>4</sub> reacts with H<sub>2</sub>O, CH<sub>3</sub>OH at 25 °C ca. 30 min reacts only slowly with EtOH (good solvent), is stable in <sup>i</sup>PrOH or <sup>t</sup>BuOH and can also be used in diglyme but the latter reduction is very slow.

Although amides are not reduced by NaBH<sub>4</sub>, the corresponding imino ester salts can be

O 
$$Et_3O^+BF_4^-$$
 OEt  $NaBH_4$  Ph  $NEt_2$   $EtOH, 25 °C$  Ph  $NEt_2$ 

Borch Tetrahedron Lett. 1968, 61.

# 2. NaCNBH<sub>3</sub>

- Less reactive than NaBH<sub>4</sub>.
- Stable in aqueous solutions even at pH > 3 (permits activation of C=O by protonation).
- Can be used in CH<sub>3</sub>OH.
- Can be used in THF but reduction very slow.

- Reductive amination (Borch reduction):

Borch J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1969**, 91, 3996; **1971**, 93, 2897. J. Chem. Soc., Perkin 1 **1984**, 717.

- Review: *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 8, pp 25–78. This review also discusses the diastereoselectivity of cyclic/acyclic imine/iminium reductions with comparisons to the corresponding ketone. Many similarities but also many important distinctions.

#### 3. LiBH₄

- More reactive than NaBH<sub>4</sub> (Li<sub>+</sub> activates C=O by coordination).
- Can be used in THF, diglyme and non protic solvents. Reactivity:  $Et_2O > THF = diglyme > {}^{i}PrOH$
- Excellent reagent for mild reductions.

- clean 1,2-reduction!
- NaBH<sub>4</sub> does not typically reduce esters

# 4. Me<sub>4</sub>NBH<sub>4</sub> Et<sub>4</sub>NBH<sub>4</sub>

- Soluble in nonpolar aprotic solvents (e.g., THF, benzene).

#### 5. Zn(BH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

- Good in instances of potential competing 1,4-reduction.
- Zn<sup>+2</sup> coordinates to and activates carbonyl.
- Good for chelation-controlled reductions.

- Review: Narasimhan Aldrichim. Acta 1998, 31, 19.

#### 6. NaBH<sub>4</sub>/CeCl<sub>3</sub> (catalytic amount (0.1 equiv))

- Luche J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 5454; 1978, 100, 2226.
- Readily enolizable carbonyl can be reduced.
  - also true of other nucleophiles

    RMgBr CeCl<sub>3</sub>

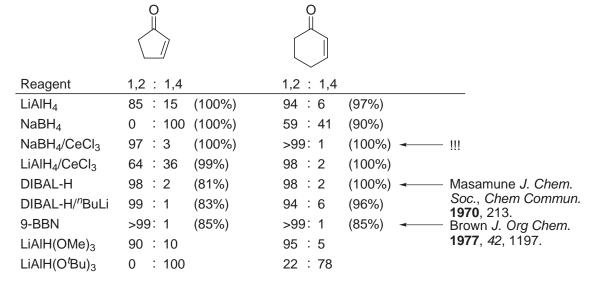
    RLi

    OH

- clean addition, no enolization

Imamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 4392. Review: Liu *Tetrahedron* **1999**, *55*, 3803.

- No conjugate reduction: clean 1,2-reduction.
  - -Reagent comparisions for 1,2- vs. 1,4-reduction



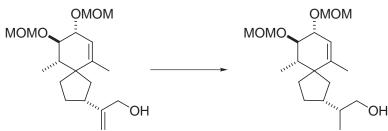
# 7. NaBH<sub>4</sub>-CoCl<sub>2</sub>

- Selective reduction of nitriles.

$$NC$$
— $CO_2Et$  —  $H_2N$ — $CO_2Et$ 

Ganem J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 6801

- But will also reduce olefins, allylic alcohols, and ketones.



Iwata Chem. Pharm. Bull. 1990, 33, 361.

# 8. Me<sub>4</sub>NBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub> and NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub>

- Unreactive, no intermolecular ketone reductions.
- OAc can exchange with substrate alcohol and provides opportunity for intramolecular reductions (CH<sub>3</sub>CN–HOAc). Used to form *anti*-1,3-diols from acyclic β-hydroxyketones.

# 9. KBH(O<sup>i</sup>Pr)<sub>3</sub>

- Stable (does not undergo disproportionation reaction as with other alkoxy BH), mild reagent.
- Used in THF and only reduces aldehydes and ketones; bulky reagent so it gives equatorial attack on cyclohexanones.

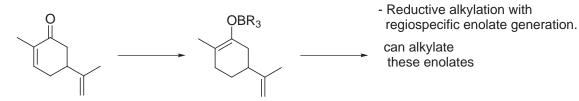
# 10. 9-BBN

- Stable solid; more stable and less reactive/more selective.
- Gives good 1,2- vs. 1,4-reduction selectivity.
- Very selective reagent.

# 11. Li-Selectride K-Selectride BHLi<sup>+</sup>

- Large reagents, near exclusive cyclohexanone equatorial H<sup>-</sup> delivery.
- Very bulky.

- Very reactive and give preferential 1,4-reduction.



# Ganem J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 2194.

# 12. LiBHEt<sub>3</sub> (Super Hydride)

- Very powerful (stronger than LiAlH<sub>4</sub>), so good for reductions which are otherwise slow.

Relative reactivity:  $Et_3BH^-$  (10,000),  $AIH_4^-$  (240),  $BH_4^-$  (1). Brown *J. Org. Chem.* **1983**, *48*, 3085.

- Used in THF.
- Guida J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 3024.

# **Aluminum Hydrides**

# 1. LiAIH<sub>4</sub>

- LiAID<sub>4</sub> and LiAIT<sub>4</sub> are also available for labelling.
- Reductions can be conducted in ether, THF, DME, diglyme.
- Workup best conducted by 1,2,3 method:

for 1.0 g LiAlH<sub>4</sub> used, add 1 mL H<sub>2</sub>O (slowly) then 2 mL of 10% aqueous NaOH, then 3 mL H<sub>2</sub>O —— Al salts are now easily filtered

#### 2. NaAlH₄

- Not quite as reactive as LiAlH<sub>4</sub>, but still quite strong reducing agent.
- THF, DME, diglyme solvents.

# 3. LiAlH(O<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub>

LiAIH(OEt)<sub>3</sub>

- Use in THF, diglyme.
- Review on alkoxyaluminum hydrides: Org. React. 1985, 34, 1; 1988, 36, 249.

# 4. NaAIH<sub>2</sub>(OCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OMe)<sub>2</sub> = REDAL-H

- Xylene, benzene, toluene good solvents.
- Good for epoxide openings (especially if able to be directed by proximal OH), halide and sulfonate reduction.

- Good for RC≡N → RCHO via R NAI
- Because there is no metal cation (Li<sup>+</sup>, K<sup>+</sup>, etc.) in the reagent, very good for directed reductions (i.e., chelation-controlled reductions).
- Good for 1,2- vs. 1,4-reduction.

further reduction) into a solid) then warmed to 25 °C - Also, use of noncoordinating hydrocarbon solvent (toluene) provides better control than THF for reductions to RCHO.

# 6. AIH<sub>3</sub> AIH<sub>3</sub>-NR<sub>3</sub>

- Park J. Org. Chem. 1990, 55, 2968.

# 7. Cl<sub>2</sub>AIH

Strong electrophilic reducing agent

Eliel Org. Syn. 1967, 47, 37.

A related and often overlooked alternative enlists NaBH<sub>4</sub> + Lewis acid

Pettit J. Org. Chem. 1962, 27, 2127.

Eliel J. Org. Chem. 1964, 29, 1630. (thiol ester —>dialkylsulfide)

# Other Representative Reagents

# 1. $Bu_3SnH-Bu_4NX$ , X = CI, F R = R R = R

- Shibata Chem. Lett. 1991, 307.

- Can alkylate intermediate directly:

# 2. PhMe<sub>2</sub>SiH

Hiyama *J. Org. Chem.* **1988**, *53*, 5405 and 5415. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1984**, *106*, 4629.

# 3. Et<sub>3</sub>SiH

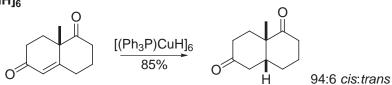
- Regioselective enolate trap, conjugate reduction.

# 4. (EtO)<sub>3</sub>SiH/catalytic Ti(O<sup>i</sup>Pr)<sub>4</sub>

- No solvent, stable to air.
- Reduces esters to alcohols in the presence of a wide variety of functional groups.

- Buchwald J. Org. Chem. 1992, 57, 3751.

# 5. [(Ph<sub>3</sub>P)CuH]<sub>6</sub>



Stryker *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1988**, *29*, 3749; **1989**, *30*, 5677; **1990**, *31*, 3237. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1988**, *110*, 291. *Tetrahedron* **2000**, *56*, 2153.

# I. Asymmetric Carbonyl Reductions

- Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 8, pp 159.
- Itsuno Org. React. 1998, 52, 395.

# 1. Catalytic Asymmetric Reduction

- Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 5551.

- Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 7925. (catalytic)

 $R = H, Bn, CH_3, Bu$ 

- Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 6275.

- General, catalytic, enantioselective synthesis of  $\alpha$ -amino acids.
- Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1992, 114, 1906; Tetrahedron Lett. 1992, 33, 3431, 3435.
- Review: Corey Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1998, 37, 1986.

# 2. Stoichiometric Reagents for Asymmetric Carbonyl Reductions

- Bothner-By *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1951**, 73, 846 (camphor ligand and first report of an asymmetric reduction with optically active reagent). Most subsequent efforts have used chirally modified LiAlH<sub>4</sub>.
- LiAlH<sub>4</sub>/N-methylephedrine Ph NMe<sub>2</sub> R = Me 75% ee R = Et 62% ee R = iPr 30% ee R = iBu 36% ee

Me,,,, N Li<sup>+</sup>, Al R = O Nosher J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1972**, 94, 9254; J. Org. Chem. **1973**, 38, 1870.

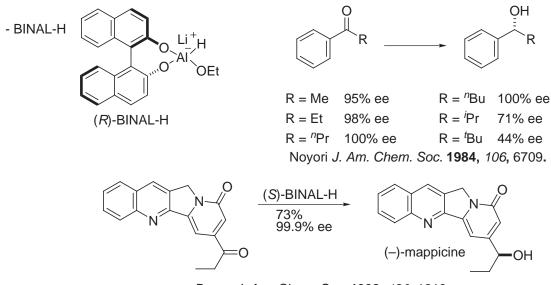
- Vigneron *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1974**, 2065; **1979**, 2683; *Tetrahedron* **1976**, 32, 939; used in cationic cyclization approach to steroids.
- Early work with acetylenic ketones, W. S. Johnson

R-alcohol

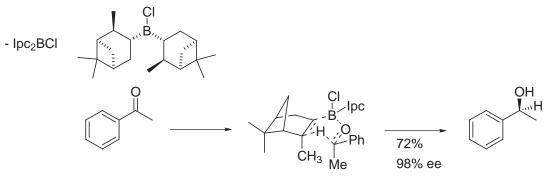
Brinkmeyer *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, 99, 8339. Johnson *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, 99, 8341.

Seebach Chem. Ber. 1974, 107, 1748.

- LiAlH<sub>4</sub>/*N*-methylephedrine/*N*-ethylaniline or *N*-ethyl 2-pyridylamine (high ee's for enones: >90% ee) - Koga, Terashima *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1980**, *21*, 2753.



Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 1218.



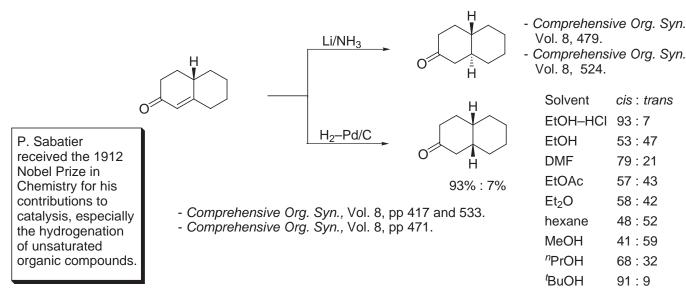
Midland J. Org. Chem. **1989**, *54*, 159. Brown J. Org. Chem. **1989**, *54*, 4504.

- 3. Enzyme-catalyzed Ketone Reductions have been extensively used in organic synthesis
  - Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 8, pp 183.

# 4. Baker's Yeast

# J. Catalytic Hydrogenation

- Amine and sulfur-containing groups will tend to poison catalysts (especially Pd/C).



- 1. H<sub>2</sub> delivery from least hindered face of double bond.
- 2. Cis H<sub>2</sub> delivery
  - activity of catalysts toward C=C: Pd > Rh > Pt > Ni > Ru
- 3. Increasing substitution on olefin decreases reactivity.
  - note potential isomerization of olefin and H-migration/allylic exchange in D<sub>2</sub>/T<sub>2</sub> hydrogenations
  - propensity for olefin isomerization: Pd >> Rh/Ru/Pt > Ir
- 4. Alkynes are more reactive than alkenes. Reagents have been developed to selectively prepare olefins from alkynes without over reduction:
  - Lindlar catalyst: Pd(CaCO<sub>3</sub>)/Pb, poisoned or deactivated catalyst
    - will only reduce an alkyne to an alkene (cis) Lindlar Helv. Chim. Acta 1952, 35, 446.

- 5. Many kinds of catalyst, but most common are 5–10% Pd/C or PtO<sub>2</sub>
  - Pd(BaSO<sub>4</sub>): Rosenmund catalyst (RCOCI  $\rightarrow$  RCHO) Rosenmund *Chem. Ber.* **1918**, *51*, 585.
  - Pd(OH)<sub>2</sub>: Pearlman catalyst, often used for difficult debenzylations where other, more typical, Pd catalysts fail.

Pearlman Tetrahedron Lett. 1967, 17, 1663.

-  $PtO_2 \longrightarrow Pt^0$  (Adam's catalyst)

Roger Adams (Ph.D. 1912, Harvard Univ.; postdoctoral with Diels and Willstatter) was the central figure in US organic chemistry in the 1930–40's. He established the structures of tetrahydrocannabinol, gossypol, chaulmoogric acid, and the Senecio alkaloids, and contributed to the development of many fundamental organic reactions.

- PtO<sub>2</sub> is particularly good for imine reduction to amines.

- Amines will poison Pd/C catalyst, but not Pt(0).



- Raney-Ni (Ra-Ni) also useful (especially for removing sulfide groups).

Generally stored in alcoholic solvent, ignites upon contact with air. It loses its activity over ca. 6 months. Various reactivities depending upon the preparation (*i.e.* W-1 through W-7 Ra–Ni).

- Rh/Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, the high activity of rhodium often permits the use of room temperature and atmospheric pressure even for difficult reductions.

note: what would you expect the ground state conformation of 1 to be?

Good for the reduction of nitriles and aromatic rings:

- (Ph<sub>3</sub>P)<sub>3</sub>RhCl Wilkinson's catalyst (homogeneous).
  - a homogeneous catalyst (e.g., dissolve in organic solvent for reaction).
  - Review: Org. React. 1976, 24, 1.
- One of the earliest, successful examples of catalytic asymmetric synthesis entailed the homogeneous hydrogenation of enamides to provide amino acid derivatives

G. Wilkinson received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry in 1973 for deducing the structure of metallocenes.

# K. Dissolving Metal Reductions

# 1. Birch Reduction

- Reviews: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 8, 489.

Org. React. 1992, 42, 1 (aromatic ring reduction).

Org. React. 1976, 23, 1 (carbonyl and enone reductions).

- $R = R' \longrightarrow R \mapsto R \mapsto R$ 
  - trans alkene
     most stable product

- First reported by Wooster J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1937, 59, 596.
- Extensively developed by Birch Quart. Rev., Chem. Soc. 1950, 4, 69.

a. Reduction potential and solubility

Metal	Solubility (g/100 g NH <sub>3</sub> )	Reduction Potential
Li	10.9	-2.99
Na	24.5	-2.59
K	47.8	-2.73

Arthur Birch, along with Robert Robinson, was one of the earliest chemists to perform biosynthetic studies using radiolabels although he is best known for the Birch reduction of aromatic rings.

- b. Solvent system
  - Typical solvent system

NH<sub>3</sub> : THF : <sup>t</sup>BuOH 2 : 1 : 1 Charles A. Kraus (1875–1967) demonstrated that the blue color arising from dissolving sodium in liquid ammonia is a consequence of solvated electrons in the course of research on ammonia.

- Liquid NH $_3$  (bp -33 °C) is used to dissolve metal, ether cosolvent (Et $_2$ O or THF) is used to dissolve substrate, and a proton source  $^t$ BuOH; EtOH; MeOH;  $^{\prime\prime}$ NH $_2$  is used to quench the reaction.
- If proton source is absent:

 $NH_3$   $NH_2^-$  isomerization of diene and overreduction  $NH_2^ NH_3$  further reduction

- Be sure to use an argon atmosphere, not N<sub>2</sub> which forms lithium nitrides.

William Ramsay received the 1904 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his experimental work that included the discovery and isolation of the noble gas family.

Hamilton P. Cady (1843–1943) and D. McFarland (1978–1955) discovered He in natural gas in 1905 in Bailey Hall, University of Kansas, an element that had been previously detected only on the sun. "It assures the fact that He is no longer a rare element but a very common element existing in goodly quantities for the uses that are yet to be found for it." A drilling company in Dexter, Kansas thought they hit paydirt with a well that released 9 million cubic feet of gas each day. At a celebration to culminate the discovery, and stock issuance, a burning bale of hay expected to produce a great pillar of flame was extinghuished when pushed into contact. E. Haworth (Univ. of Kansas) collected a sample of the gas which McFarland analyzed as 15% CH<sub>4</sub>, 72% N<sub>2</sub>, O<sub>2</sub> (0.2%), H<sub>2</sub> (0.8%), and 12% unknown. H. Cady helped indentify the remainder. Using a method described by Sir James Dewar, all atmospheric gases except H<sub>2</sub>, Ne (and He) were completely removed (adsorbed) by coconut charcoal at the temperature of boiling liquid air (–310 °F). What remained exhibited spectroscopic properties identical with He detected only on the sun. One of the first secret uses was to inflate blimps and the Allies dirigibles filled with "Gas X" did not explode like the Axis powers zeppelines which were filled with flammable H<sub>2</sub>. Today, 60% of the He isolated is used for cryogenic applications including NMR and MRI.

Commercial NH<sub>3</sub> production is second in size only behind H<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and is used extensively in the production of fertilizers (> $102 \times 10^6$  tons/yr, 1998).

Benzene production through the refinement of crude oil reached  $37 \times 10^6$  metric tons in 1997 and serves as the starting material for a host of derivatives including styrene/EtC<sub>6</sub>H<sub>5</sub>.

$$W = COOH \qquad COO^{-}$$

CONR<sub>2</sub>, SiMe<sub>3</sub>, Ar (electron-withdrawing groups)

- but 
$$CO_2R$$
,  $COR$ ,  $CHO \xrightarrow{Li/NH_3} -CH_2O^-$ , so they are part of donor (D) grouping.

# e. Common application: hydrogenolysis

5-10% Pd on C as catalyst

 $H_2$  can be replaced by HCOONH<sub>4</sub> or as the source of  $H_2$  and this type of reduction is a transfer hydrogenation: *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 8, 955.

# f. Examples

- Krapcho J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1959, 81, 3658.

- Schultz J. Org. Chem. 1986, 51, 4983.

- Dryden J. Org. Chem. 1961, 26, 3237.

- Magnus Tetrahedron Lett. 1997, 38, 1341.

- can also be used for enone reduction and/or reductive alkylation with alkylative trap of the final enolate

- As opposed to

CH<sub>3</sub>O

- or more vigorous Birch conditions:

# 2. Dissolving Metal Carbonyl Reduction

### a. Ketone Reduction

- Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 8, 107.
- Rule:

Bu 
$$\longrightarrow$$
 OH  $\longrightarrow$  Bu  $\longrightarrow$  OH 98:2

Birch reduction forms the most stable product.

and aromatic ring reduction.

# - Exception:

#### - Mechanism:

$$^{\prime}$$
Bu  $^{\prime}$   $^{\prime}$ OH  $^{\prime}$ ROH  $^{\prime}$ Bu  $^{\prime}$ OH  $^{\prime}$ OH

Special variants of this reaction include the:

# b. Acyloin Condensation

First report: Freund Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem. 1861, 118, 33.

$$(H_2C)_4$$
  $OSiMe_3$   $OsiMe_3$   $Org. For Composition (H_2C)_4$   $OSiMe_3$   $Org. For Composition (N_2C)_4$   $OsiMe_3$ 

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 3, 613.

Org. React. **1976**, 23, 259. Org. React. **1948**, 4, 256.

- Ruhlmann modification: Synthesis 1971, 236.
- Mechanism: diketyl generation and diradical coupling or:

$$(H_2C)_4 \longrightarrow (H_2C)_4 \longrightarrow (H_2C)_4$$

- Sheehan J. Am. Chem. Chem. 1950, 72, 3376.
- Bloomfield J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 393.
- Bloomfield Tetrahedron Lett. 1968, 591.
- Macrocyclization: Finley Chem. Rev. 1964, 64, 573.

# c. Pinacol Coupling

- Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 3, 563.

# d. McMurry Coupling

- Review: McMurry Chem. Rev. 1989, 89, 1513.

Zn-Cu/TiCl<sub>3</sub> McMurry *J. Org. Chem.* **1977**, *42*, 2655.

LiAlH<sub>4</sub>/TiCl<sub>3</sub> McMurry *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1983**, *105*, 1660.

Mg-Hg/TiCl<sub>4</sub> - diol product Corey J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 260.

# e. Radical-Alkyne/Alkene Addition

- The ketyl (radical anion) can be trapped in intramolecular reactions:
  - Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 7107.

# f. Reductive Alkylation

# L. Amalgam-derived Reducing Agents

### 1. Na-Hg

Sodium amalgam is used for the reduction of a variety of functional groups including those leading to the preparation of alkenes and alkynes and for the reductive cleavage of C–S and N–O bonds.

Julia Olefin Synthesis:

# 2. Al-Hg

Aluminum amalgam is another metal-based reducing agent. It is quite mild and used effectively in a number of reductions.

Hulce Tetrahedron Lett. 1988, 29, 525.

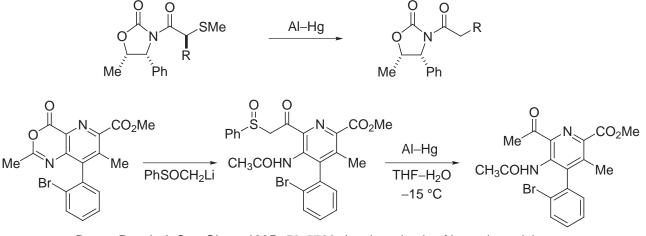
Meyers J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 2021, 2025.

-OH

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1968**, 90, 3247. Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1989**, 111, 5902. Shin Chem. Lett. **1976**, 1095.

Green, Crabbe J. Org. Chem. 1982, 47, 2553.

Keck Synth. Commun. 1979, 9, 281.



Boger, Panek J. Org. Chem. 1985, 50, 5790. (total synthesis of lavendamycin)

# 3. Zn(Hg)

Clemmensen reduction Clemmensen *Chem. Ber.* **1913**, *46*, 1838.

Dauben *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1954**, *76*, 3864. Reviews: Martin *Org. React.* **1942**, *1*, 155. Vedejs *Org. React.* **1975**, 22, 401.

# M. Other Reduction Methods

# 1. Diimide Reduction

- Review: Org. React. 1991, 40, 91.

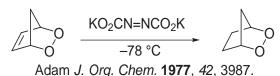
- Mechanism:

- Cis delivery of H<sub>2</sub>
- From least hindered face of olefin

complements H<sub>2</sub>/cat. same results but: many functional groups are stable to conditions/reagent

- trans > cis olefin (rate)
- Rate decreases with substitution of olefin

stable



no reduction of endoperoxide

# Relative reactivities toward diimide reduction

-				
	<i>k</i> <sub>rel</sub>	k <sub>rel</sub>	 k <sub>rel</sub>	
	1.0	2.04	450.0	<ul> <li>Decreases with alkyl substitution</li> </ul>
	20.2	0.28	29.0	- Increases with strain
	2.59	0.50		
	2.65		47.0	

Garbisch J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1965, 87, 2932.

- Formation (generation) of reagents (diimide)

i. 
$$H_2O_2/H_2NNH_2$$
  $\longrightarrow$   $H_{N=N}/H$  old method

ii. recent method

$$Me \xrightarrow{\begin{array}{c} O \\ H \\ S \\ O \end{array}} + \begin{array}{c} H \\ H \\ H \\ H \end{array} + \begin{array}{c} Base \\ H \\ H \end{array}$$

- related to McFadyen-Stevens Reduction.

iii. 
$$KO_2C-N=N-CO_2K$$
 
$$\begin{array}{c} cat H \xrightarrow{+} \\ 25 \text{ °C}, -CO_2 \\ (anhydrous) \end{array}$$
 
$$\begin{array}{c} H \\ N=N \end{array}$$
 
$$H$$

iv. retro Diels-Alder reaction

- Example of use:

- Other reduction methods would give substantial debromination.

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# VII. Hydroboration-Oxidation (Reduction-Oxidation)

- Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 8, pp 703-732.

Brown Organic Synthesis via Boranes, Wiley: New York, 1975.

Brown Boranes in Organic Chemistry, Cornell Univ. Press: New York, 1972.

### A. Mechanism

Brown J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1956, 78, 2583; Org. React. 1963, 13, 1.

- anti-Markovnikov addition of H2O to C=C

- rate
- Increased by electron-donating substituents on olefins.
- Increased by strain of olefins.
- Increased by decreased steric hinderance of olefins.

The discovery of the unusual bridged structure of diborane vs a once more conventional ethane-like structure H<sub>3</sub>B–BH<sub>3</sub> (G. N. Lewis, S. H. Bauer) occupied the efforts of many of the very best chemists, enlisting newly emerging experimental and theoretical tools, including H. I. Schlesinger, C. Longuet-Higgins, F. Stitt and W. C. Price (IR), J. N. Shoolery (NMR), R. S. Mulliken, K. S. Pitzer, A. D. Walsh (MO and valence bond descriptions), K. Hedberg and V. Schomaker (electron diffraction). Essay: Laszlo *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2000**, *39*, 2071.

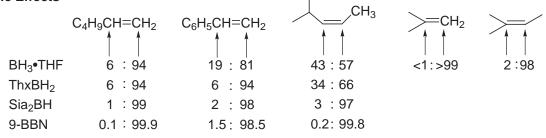
The reaction is characterized by a slight tendency for H (H<sup>-</sup>) to add to carbon most capable of stabilizing a  $\delta^+$  charge or, in other words, for the nucleophilic carbon to attack the electrophilic B. However, it is also characterized by a nonpolar transition state where the rate of reaction and regionselectivity are determined principally by steric factors with unsymmetrical olefins.

$$BH_3 \longrightarrow B_2H_6$$
 $BH_2 \longrightarrow BH_2$ 
 $BH_3 \longrightarrow B_2H_6$ 
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 $BH_3 \longrightarrow BH_3$ 
 $BH_$ 

H. C. Brown (Purdue University) received the Nobel Prize in Chemistry (1979) for the discovery and development of the hydroboration reaction. He is also responsible for the discovery and development of NaBH<sub>4</sub> and most of the many, subsequent boron and aluminum hydrides used widely in organic synthesis today.

# **B.** Regioselectivity

### 1. Steric Effects



- diisoamylborane  $\implies$  larger than BH<sub>3</sub>•THF and more selective.

### 2. Electronic Effects

Brown J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1966, 88, 5851.

X = H 81 : 19  
OCH<sub>3</sub> 93 : 7  
CI 73 : 27  
CF<sub>3</sub> 66 : 34  

$$R^{1} = R^{2} = Me$$
 $R^{2} \rightarrow Me_{3}$ 
 $R^{1} = R^{2} = Me$ 
 $R^{2} \rightarrow Me_{3}$ 
 $R^{3} \rightarrow R^{4} = R^{2} = Me$ 
 $R^{4} \rightarrow R^{2} \rightarrow R^{43} = R^{2} = R^{2$ 

 $R = SiMe_3$ 

95:5

 $BH_3$ 

# C. Diastereoselectivity

### 1. Endocyclic Olefins

 $R^1 = R^2 = Et$ 

Pasto, Klein J. Org. Chem. 1968, 33, 1468.

- cis addition

- from least hindered side

- least substituted position

$$^{\prime} Bu /_{Bu} = 0$$

$$^{\prime} Bu$$

### 2. Exocyclic Olefins

### 3. Acyclic Olefins

Kishi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 259. (Monensin)

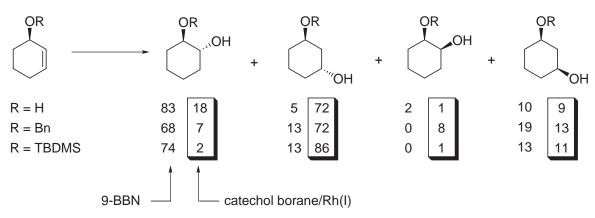
Considering the top case: attack on least hindered face of H-eclipsed conformation

 $R^1/BH_2$  interactions are worse than  $Me/BH_2$  interactions

Kishi Aldrichim. Acta 1980, 13, 23.

### 4. Allylic Alcohols and Ethers

- Cyclic allylic alcohols and ethers.



Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 6917.

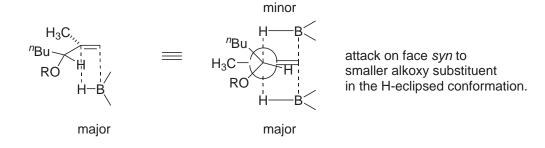
### 9-BBN reaction:

- Least hindered face opposite alkoxy group.
- Regioselectivity avoids a R<sub>2</sub>B/H 1,3-diaxial interaction.

- Acyclic allylic alcohols and ethers

- Reaction takes place from H-eclipsed conformation and *cis* to the smaller OR group.

Still J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 2487.

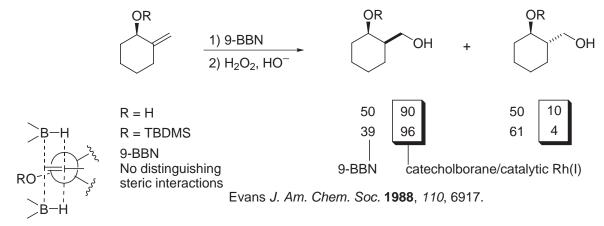


## D. Metal-Catalyzed Hydroboration

- Diastereoselectivity (below) and regioselectivity (prior page) can be altered or even reversed with catecholborane and Rh(I) catalyst (i.e., Wilkinson's catalyst).

OR 
$$n_{BU}$$
  $n_{BU}$   $n_{BU}$ 

- Exocyclic allylic alcohols and ethers



 Olefin reactivity, chemoselectivity catecholborane/2% RhCl(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub> reaction times

- Review of transition metal-catalyzed hydroboration: Beletskaya and Pelter Tetrahedron 1997, 53, 4957.

- This was utilized in the synthesis of the unusual L-gulose sugar found in the disaccharide of bleomycin A2

key step: inversion of stereochemistry to convert readily available p-mannose to L-gulose derivative 
$$O$$
 bleomycin  $A_2$  D-Mannose

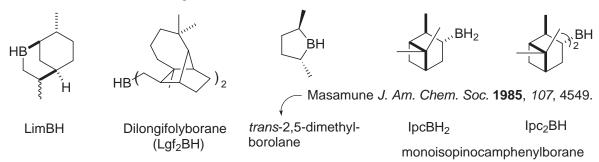
Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 5647.

## **E. Directed Hydroboration**

Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 6917.

# F. Asymmetric Hydroboration

Review: Brown J. Organometal. Chem. 1995, 500, 1.



- Brown Tetrahedron 1981, 37, 3547; J. Org. Chem. 1981, 46, 2988; 1982, 47, 5065.

Partridge J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 7171.

Boger Synlett 1997, 515.

### % ee for Asymmetric Hydroboration

Type	Ipc <sub>2</sub> BH	IpcBH <sub>2</sub>	Lgf <sub>2</sub> BH	LimBH	borolane
I	30	1.5	_	-	1.4
II	98	24	78	66	95
Ш	13	73	-	59	97
IV	14	53	70	67	94
IV	22	66	62	45	97

### - Models

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# **VIII. Enolate Chemistry**

Enolate Alkylations: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 3, 1.

Formation of Enolates: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 2, 99.

Aldol Condensation: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 2, 133, 181 and 239.

Reformatsky Reaction: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 2, 277.

Acylation of Enolates: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 2, 796.

Enol Ethers: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 2, 595 and 629.

Metalloenamines: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 2, 475.

Hydrazones: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 2, 503.

## A. Acidic Methylene Compounds (i.e., Malonates)

-  $\alpha$ -Deprotonation

- Use of a base which stoichiometrically deprotonates the ketone completely: (i.e.  $K_{eq} > 100$ )

ONA
$$pK_{a} = 17$$

$$pK_{a} = 17$$

$$NH_{2}^{-}$$

$$+ NH_{2}^{-}$$

$$+ NH_{2}^{-}$$

$$+ NH_{2}^{-}$$

$$+ NH_{3}$$

Therefore, a good deprotonation (essentially all ketone deprotonated) Note: need to have  $pK_a$  difference of 2  $pK_a$  units to get  $K_{eq} = 100$ .

### 1. Estimation of pKa

$$W = CI$$
 inductive stabilization  $W = O$ ,  $NO_2$ , etc. resonance stabilization  $O$   $CH_3$   $PK_a = 20$ ;  $CH_3$   $PK_a = 45$ ;  $CH_3$   $PK_a = 35-37$ 

- an increase in acidity of H results in a *faster* deprotonation (kinetic effect) as well as a stabilization of anion formed (thermodynamic effect).

H	Group (–W)	pK <sub>a</sub> effect (units)	Note
$R_{R} \wedge W$	alkyl	~1-2 (decrease in acid	ity)
IX.	halogen	~1–2 \	both due to inductive effects
	22	~5–7 ↓	
	, John Starter	~5–7 ↓	both depend on favorable orbital overlap to allow resonance stabilization
	RS—{	~3–5 \	

Others:  $NO_2 > COR > SO_2R > CO_2R$ , CN > SOR, Ph

Compound	р <i>К</i> а	Note
O CH <sub>3</sub>	20	
O O OCH <sub>3</sub>	13	ketone better enolate
0 0	11	ketone better enolate stabilizer than ester
O O H	9	
O O H	5	~same as acetic acid
H <sub>2</sub> O	14	
$H_2$ C $NR_2$	25	
O CH <sub>3</sub> NR H	15	

### 2. Ketone-Enol Tautomerism

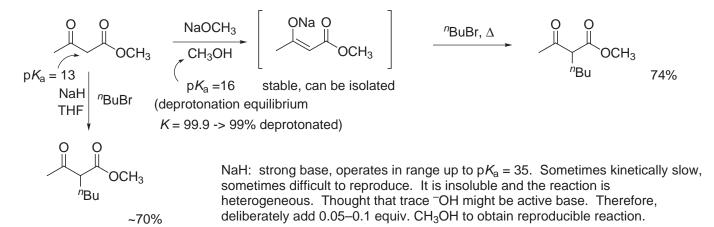
- Usually not likely to form a bond with weak electrophile (e.g., CH<sub>3</sub>I) since not present in high concentration
  - However, some ketones do exist in high enol concentration and react via enol

Compound	Enol content
	0.0004%
0	< 0.002%
CO <sub>2</sub> Et CO <sub>2</sub> Et	40% (neat) 60% (EtOH)
OH OH	100%(neat) 95% (H <sub>2</sub> O) 2–14% (cyclohexane)
$O$ OH $CO_2Et$	10–13% (EtOH) 50% (cyclohexane) ← intramolecular H-bond
O O OH O	16% (H <sub>2</sub> O) 63% (EtOH) 92% (cyclohexane) ← intramolecular H-bond
O O O OH O	3% (H <sub>2</sub> O) 31% (EtOH) 55% (cyclohexane) ← intramolecular H-bond

- If a compound has a vinyl spacer, the reactivity parallels that of the parent compound.
- 1,3-Cyclohexadione in its enol form is a vinylogous carboxylic acid and it exhibits many properties of a RCOOH, including low  $pK_a$ , O-alkylation.

vinylogous acid chloride

### 3. Acetoacetic Ester Synthesis



Henri Moissan, who received the 1906 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his investigation and isolation of the element fluorine and for the high temperature electric furnace named after him, prepared and studied the alkali metal hydrides.

#### - The product can be further alkylated:

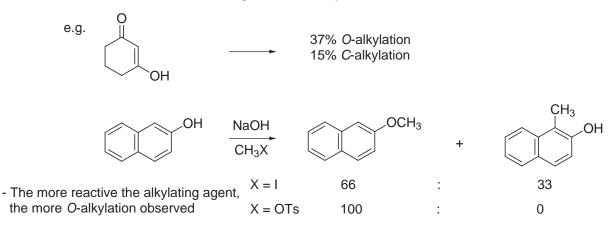
- Hydrolysis and decarboxylation gives α-substituted ketones:

### 4. Malonic Ester Alkylation

reductively

### 5. Enolates: C- vs. O-Alkylation

- Ketones which are more acidic tend to give more O-alkylation.



- Rarely see *O*-alkylation of ketone enolates often see *O*-alkylation of stabilized enolates e.g.,  $\beta$ -diketones and  $\beta$ -keto esters

- tends to react with harder electrophiles (CH $_3$ OTs, Me $_3^+$ OBF $_4^-$ )

reacts with softer alkylating agents (RI, RBr)

more reactive or more ionized = harder

- Intramolecular constraints can affect course of C- vs. O-alkylation

#### - Mitsunobu alkylation

Mitsunobu, Yamada, Mukaiyama *Bull. Chem. Soc., Jpn.* **1967**, *40*, 935. Mitsunobu *Bull. Chem. Soc., Jpn.* **1967**, *40*, 4235.

Review: Mitsunobu Synthesis 1981, 1.

Hughes Org. React. 1992, 42, 335; Castro Org. React. 1983, 29, 1.

- Mechanism:

HX:  $pK_a$  typically <15 (RCO<sub>2</sub>H, phenols, imides, malonates,  $\beta$ -keto esters)

Related reagents including Ph<sub>3</sub>P/CCl<sub>4</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P/NXS are used to convert an alcohol to the corresponding halide with inversion of stereochemistry.

### - Factors which favor O-alkylation

1. Polar solvent:

HMPA

Me<sub>2</sub>N-P-NMe<sub>2</sub>

NMe<sub>2</sub>

O

DMSO

CH<sub>3</sub>

CH<sub>3</sub>

DMF

Me<sub>2</sub>NCHO

polar, aprotic solvents:

- a. separate metal cation from enolate oxygen, making oxygen more free to react
- b. coordinate electrophile, activate and increase their reactivity
- c. increase rate of reaction

#### 2. Large, noncoordinating metal cation:

- again, frees up oxygen to react

$$M^{+}$$
  $M^{+}$   $M^{+$ 

rate of reaction

ion pair lithium essentially covalently separation of charge, harder more reactive anion

### 3. Aggregation/Solubility:

### 4. Structure of alkylating agent

### a. Leaving group:

$$(hard alkylating agents) \qquad (soft alkylating agents)$$

$$for RX: \qquad X = Me_3O^{\frac{1}{2}} > OTs > CI > Br > I$$

$$O-alkylation \qquad C-alkylation$$

$$O \cap Bu$$

$$COOCH_3 \qquad K_2CO_3 \qquad 100 \text{ °C} \qquad NBu$$

$$COOCH_3 \qquad + O''Bu$$

$$COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3$$

$$O-alkylation \qquad O \cap Bu$$

$$COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3$$

$$O-alkylation \qquad O \cap Bu$$

$$COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3$$

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$$COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3 \qquad + COOCH_3$$

$$O-alkylation \qquad O \cap Bu$$

$$O-alkylation \qquad O$$

### b. Degree of substitution of alkylating agent:

works well in polar, aprotic solvents (ie., HMPA, DMSO), or even K2CO3, acetone will work

### **B. Enolate Structure**

- Actually exist as higher aggregates in solution: dimer-tetramer.
- Originally suggested by House J. Org. Chem. 1971, 36, 2361 and Brown J. Organometal. Chem. 1971, 26, 57.
- Supported by NMR studies: Jackman Tetrahedron 1977, 33, 2737.
- Confirmed by X-ray: Dunitz Helv. Chim. Acta 1981, 64, 2617.

see also:

Seebach J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 5403.

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1988, 27, 1624. 1.99 Å

Lynch Tetrahadron Lett. 1989, 30, 447.

Ketone Enolates:

 $K_{eq}$  < 1 for most metals (Li, Na, K, MgX, ZnX)  $\longrightarrow$  negative charge, M<sup>+</sup> on oxygen. > 1 for M = HgI

#### Ester Enolates:

 $K_{eq}$  < 1 for Li  $K_{eq}$  > 1 for ZnBr (Reformatsky reagents)

Reformatsky *Ber.* **1887**, *20*, 1210. Reviews: Shriner *Org. React.* **1946**, *1*, 423. Rathke *Org. React.* **1975**, *22*, 423.

Furstner *Synthesis* **1989**, 571.

## C. Enolate Alkylations: $\pi$ -Facial Stereoselectivity

#### 1. Stereoelectronic Effects

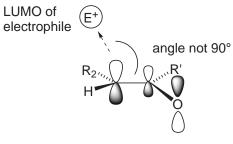
- The attacking electrophile must obey the principle of maximum overlap of the participating orbitals by perpendicular approach to the plane of atoms which constitute the enolate (enol) function.

- Also applies to protonation in reprotonation reaction:

- Nucleophilic addition to carbonyl compound takes place not at 90° (perpendicular) but at an angle of 105  $\pm$  5°

Dunitz Tetrahedron 1974, 30, 1563.

- Same applies to enolate alkylations



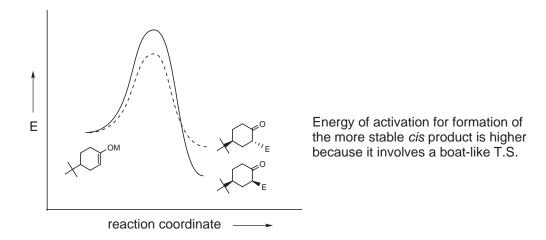
enolate HOMO

- Ramifications:

- In order to get cis, must proceed through a boat-like T.S.!

$$^{t}$$
Bu  $^{t}$ Bu  $^{t}$ Bu  $^{t}$ E  $^{t}$ 

#### - Therefore



Corey, Sneen *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1956**, *78*, 6269 (origin of axial alkylation). They also introduced the term stereoelectronic effect to describe this behavior.

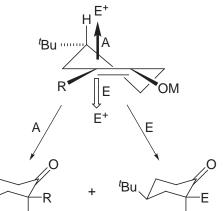
This was the pioneering work that led to the now widespread predictions about reactions and reaction products based on orbital alignment or overlap and provided the term "stereoelectronic" effect.

### - Examples of stereoelectronic control

axial alkylation chair-like transition state

equatorial alkylation via twist boat T.S.

OM



House *J. Org. Chem.* **1968**, 33, 935. Caine *J. Org. Chem.* **1969**, 34, 3070.

М	R	Е	axial		equatorial
Li	Н	Et <sub>3</sub> O <sup>+</sup> BF <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup>	51	:	49
Li	Н	Etl	54	:	46
Li	Н	Mel	55	:	45
Li	Н	DOAc	70	:	30
Li	Et	HOAc	80	:	20
Li	Me	CD <sub>3</sub> I	70	:	30
Li	CN	CH <sub>3</sub> I	77	:	23
Li	COOCH <sub>3</sub>	CH <sub>3</sub> I	83	:	17

less reactive enolates (so more selective)

Kuehne J. Org. Chem. 1970, 35, 161, 171.

### 2. Steric Effects

- Stereoelectronic effects equivalent for exocyclic enolates.
- Relatively insensitive to alkylating agent and conditions.

Behavior as a large reagent preferring equatorial delivery.

 Transition states for enolate alkylations are thought to be REACTANT-LIKE.

House J. Org. Chem. **1968**, 33, 943. Krapcho J. Org. Chem. **1980**, 45, 3236.

X	E		eq : ax
CH <sub>3</sub>	Mel	25 °C	85 : 15
OCH <sub>3</sub>	Mel	−78 °C	84 : 16
OCH <sub>3</sub>	<sup>n</sup> BuBr	−78 °C	87 : 13

### D. Enolate Generation

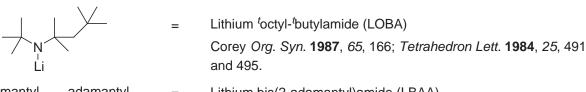
### 1. Soluble Bases

- NaNH<sub>2</sub>, LiNH<sub>2</sub>, KNH<sub>2</sub> strong bases, but insoluble in conventional organic solvents
- Soluble secondary amine derived bases

readily available, soluble; amine byproduct is low MWt, volatile, and easily removed. The anion is also nonnucleophilic (relatively hindered)

- Aggregates: Williard J. Org. Chem. 1993, 58, 1 (X-ray).
- Other widely used bases:

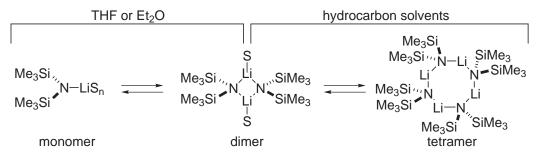
$$Me_3Si_N$$
SiMe<sub>3</sub>  $M = Li$  Lithium hexamethyldisilazide (LHMDS or LHDS  $M = Na$  Sodium hexamethyldisilazide (NaHMDS)  $M = K$  Potassium hexamethyldisilazide (KHMDS)



adamantyl = Lithium bis(2-adamantyl)amide (LBAA)

Lithium bis(2-adamantyl)amide (LBAA)

Collum *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1993**, *34*, 5213.



Brown J. Organometal. Chem. 1971, 26, 57.

Collum Acc. Chem. Res. 1993, 26, 227; 1999, 32, 1035 (<sup>6</sup>Li and <sup>15</sup>N NMR).

- X-ray structures

Williard J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 11855.

#### Reviews:

Conia Rec. Chem. Prog. **1963**, 24, 43. House Rec. Chem. Prog. **1967**, 28, 98.

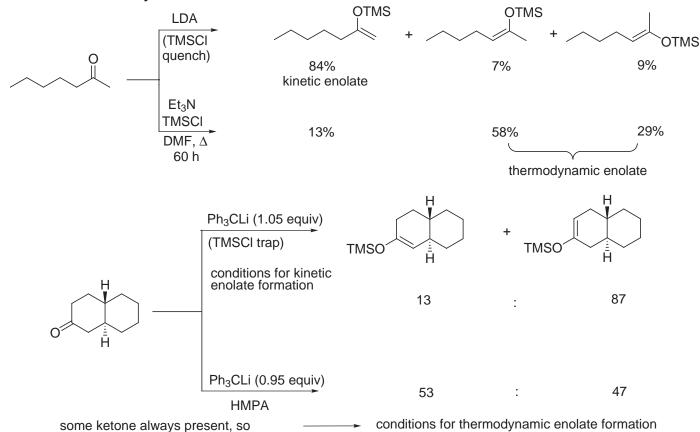
Fleming *Chimica* **1980**, *34*, 265. Petragnani *Synthesis* **1982**, 521. Kaiser *Synthesis* **1977**, 509.

d'Angelo Tetrahedron 1976, 32, 2979 (Methods for regiospecific enolate generation).

Evans Asymm. Synthesis, Morrison, Ed., Vol. 3, 1.

Collum Acc. Chem. Res. 1999, 32, 1035.

### 2. Kinetic and Thermodynamic Enolates



### 3. Regiospecific Enolate Generation

deprotonation-reprotonation equilibrium

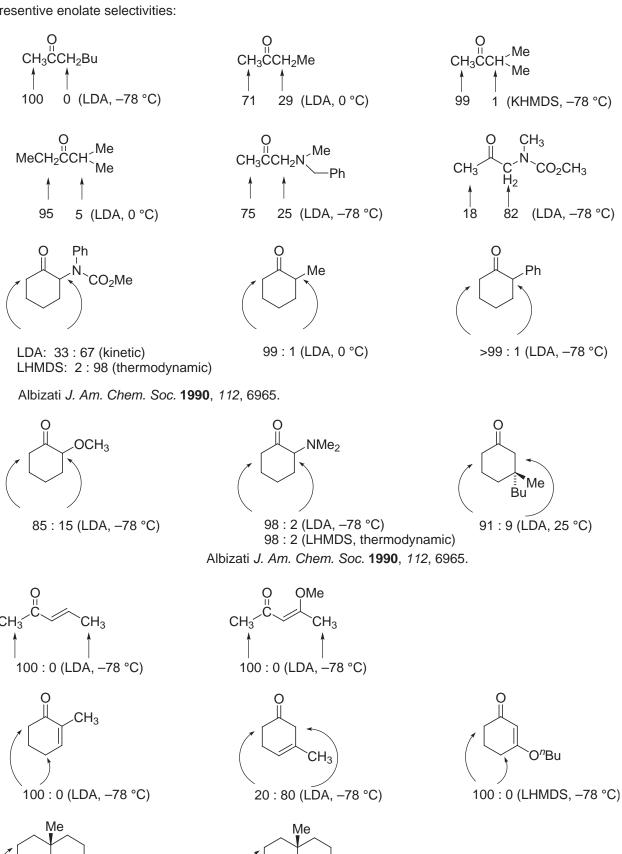
- In the above case, the  $\Delta^{2,3}$  enolate cannot be cleanly obtained directly, but other approaches to this have been developed.

See: Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 2965; 1965, 87, 275.

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Mander Org. Syn. 1992, 70, 256.

#### - Representive enolate selectivities:



Taken from: Evans Asymm. Synthesis, Morrison, Ed., Vol. 3, 1.

CH<sub>3</sub>

0:100 (NaH, 100 °C)

Ме

100:0 (LDA, -78°C)

thermodynamic enolate

formation

- Enantio- or diastereoselective protonation of ketone enolates deprotonation:

Majewski Can. J. Chem. 1994, 72, 1699.

Simpkins *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1992**, 33, 8141. **1989**, 30, 7241.

protonation:

Fehr Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1994, 33, 1764.

### 4. Cyclic Carbonyl Compounds

- site of deprotonation
- enolate geometry fixed

	Base	Control	Sele	ectivi	ty
	LDA (0 °C, THF)	kinetic	99	:	1
	KHMDS (-78 °C)	II .	95	:	5
	Ph <sub>3</sub> CLi (-78 °C)	II .	90	:	10
potassium bases nota	Ph <sub>3</sub> CK (-78 °C)	n	67	:	33
enolate generation.	Ph <sub>3</sub> CLi	thermodynamic	10	:	90
	NaH	"	26	:	74
	Ph <sub>3</sub> CK	II	38	:	62

### 5. Acyclic Carbonyl Compounds

- Two issues: i. site of deprotonation

- Also: the enolate has two diastereotopic faces:

## - ASIDE: Geometry of enolate can be determined by Claisen rearrangement:

### - Claisen rearrangement known to proceed through chair-like T.S.:

### A. Acyclic Ketones

	Base	Z		<u>E</u>
very hindered→ amide base	LTMP (-78 °C)	14	:	86 - kinetic enolate
	LTMP/HMPA	92	:	8 — thermodynamic enolate
	LDA	23	:	77
	LICA	35	:	65
	LHMDS	66	:	34
	(PhMe <sub>2</sub> Si) <sub>2</sub> NLi	100	:	0

#### - Thermodynamic enolate formation

or may take place by reversible aldol addition

Rathke J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 3959.

For the effect of HMPA on R<sub>2</sub>NLi aggregation: Collum, Romesberg J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 9198; 1993, 115, 3475.

$$R^1$$
  $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$ 

Z-enolate

E-enolate

Note: As R<sup>1</sup> becomes sterically more demanding, Z-enolate increases or predominates even under kinetic conditions.

Note: As R<sup>2</sup> becomes sterically more demanding, E-enolate selectivity increases under kinetic conditions: Ph > Me.

R <sup>1</sup>	$R^2$		Z	E	
Et	Me	LDA	23	77	
Et	Me	LTMP	14	86	
Et	Me	LTMP–LiBr	2	98 -	best conditions for <i>E</i> -enolate (kinetic)
<sup>i</sup> Pr	Me	LDA	37	63	L'eriolate (Kiriette)
<sup>i</sup> Pr	Me	LTMP	33	67	
<sup>i</sup> Pr	Me	LTMP–LiBr	5	95	
<sup>t</sup> Bu	Me	LDA	98	2	
<sup>t</sup> Bu	Me	LTMP	95	5	
<sup>t</sup> Bu	Me	LTMP–LiBr	95	5	Z-enolate only very large R <sup>1</sup>
Me	Ph	LDA	7	93	vory range iv
Me	Ph	LTMP	8	92	
Me	Ph	LTMP–LiBr	3	97	
			Collum J Am	Chem Soc	<b>1991</b> 113 9571

Collum J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 9571.

Εt LOBA 2 98 - kinetic E-enolate Me

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1984, 25, 491 and 495.

### B. Acyclic Esters

### - Similar to ketones:

$$R^{1}O$$
 $R^{2}$ 
 $R^{1}O$ 
 $R^{2}$ 
 $R^$ 

thermodynamic enolate (more stable)

kinetic enolate

R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup>	base	Z	:	E	
Me	Me	LDA	5	:	95	
<sup>t</sup> Bu	Me	LDA	5	:	95	
Me	Et	LDA	9	:	91	kinetic
Me	Et	LDA/HMPA	84	:	16	- thermodynamic
<sup>t</sup> Bu	Et	LDA	5	:	95	
<sup>t</sup> Bu	Et	LDA/HMPA	77	:	23	

Role of HMPA: increase rate of equilibration, break up enolate aggregation

Me	Et	LOBA	5	:	95
Bn	Me	LDA	20	:	80
Bn	Me	LOBA	5	:	95

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1984, 25, 491 and 495.

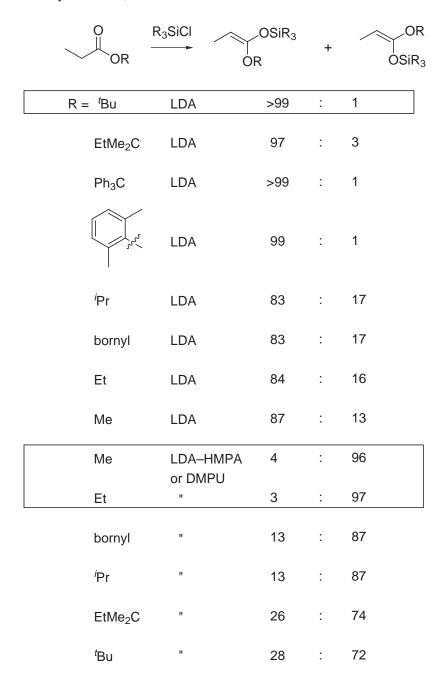
kinetic 
$$E$$
-enolate thermodynamic  $Z$ -enolate

 $CO_2Et$ 
 $CO_2ET$ 

Ireland, Wipf J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 650 and 3572.

### - Silyl Ketene Acetals

### Otera Synlett 1994, 213.



### C. Acyclic Amides

give only Z-enolate

R<sub>2</sub>N 
$$\stackrel{\text{OLi}}{R_2}$$
  $\stackrel{\text{LiO}}{R_2}$   $\stackrel{\text{R}^1}{R_2}$   $\stackrel{\text{LiO}}{R_2}$   $\stackrel{\text{R}^1}{R_2}$   $\stackrel{\text{LiO}}{R_2}$   $\stackrel{\text{R}^2}{R_2}$   $\stackrel{\text{R}^2}{R_2}$ 

### 6. Ireland Transition State Model for Deprotonation

*J. Am. Chem.* Soc. **1976**, 98, 2868. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1975**, 3975.

- For Cyclic Ketones:

R1 A 
$$R^{1}$$
 -H interaction  $< R^{1}$ -R interaction  $> R^{1}$ -R interaction

ketone	base	A vs. B	1,3-diaxial interaction
$R = CH_3$	LDA	99 : 1	<sup>i</sup> Pr, CH <sub>3</sub>
Ph	LDA	>99 : 1	<sup>į</sup> Pr, Ph
OCH <sub>3</sub>	LDA	85 : 15	<sup>i</sup> Pr, OCH₃
NMe <sub>2</sub>	LDA	98 : 2	<sup>j</sup> Pr, NMe <sub>2</sub>
			₩

- More hindered bases (<sup>f</sup>Bu<sub>2</sub>NLi, LiHMDS, LTMP) would increase selectivity for kinetic enolate formation (1,3-diaxial interactions even larger in T.S. for thermodynamic enolate formation)

### - For Acyclic Ketones, Esters, and Amides:

### - Example:

$$X$$
 Me LDA LiO + OLi  $X$  Me  $Z$ -enolate  $Z$ -enolate

Χ	LDA	E: Z			
OCH <sub>3</sub>		95 : 5			
O <sup>t</sup> Bu		95 : 5	Me/R <sup>1</sup> 1,3-diaxial interaction worse		
Et		77 : 23	than Me/X A (1,2)-interaction		
<sup>i</sup> Pr		40 : 60			
<sup>t</sup> Bu		0 : 100	V gotting launay as A (4.2) stayin intercetion		
Ph		0:100	X getting larger, so A (1,2) steric interaction outweighs the Me/R <sup>1</sup> 1,3-diaxial interaction		
NEt <sub>2</sub>		0 : 100			

# E. Alkylation Reactions: Stereochemistry

### 1. Exocyclic Enolates

### i. 1,2-Stereocontrol in Exocyclic Enolates

OM
$$\begin{array}{c}
 & E^{+} \\
 & R
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
 & COX \\
 & R
\end{array}$$

H-eclipsed conformation

Hogg J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1948, 70, 161.

### - Also true for other common ring sizes:

Heathcock Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 2115.

Clark Syn. Commun. 1979, 325.

Weiss, Coscia Tetrahedron 1964, 20, 357.

### ii. 1,3-Stereocontrol

$$CO_2Me$$
  $MeO_2C$   $Me$   $+$   $R$   $+$   $R$ 

Krapcho J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 3236.

### iii. 1,4-Stereocontrol

Krapcho J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 3236.

reactive conformation

Again, equatorial attack predominates due to destabilizing steric interactions for axial approach of electrophile.

House *J. Org. Chem.* **1968**, *33*, 943. Ziegler, Wender *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1971**, *93*, 4318.

Van Bekkum Recl. Trav. Chim. Pays-Bas 1971, 90, 137.

Me	1	E+	
Me Me	/=	=	ОМ
ivie H	_		OM
		E <sup>+</sup>	

Mel 45 : 55
EtBr 88 : 12

PrBr 93 : 7

Surprising given the distance, but Schöllkopf subsequently put such observations to effective use.

Steric Effects?

pronounced effect of size of alkylating agent on stereoselectivity.

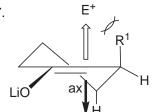
### 2. Endocyclic Enolates

### a. 1,2-Stereocontrol

vinyl group sterically smaller, so stereoselectivity lower

R <sup>1</sup>	R <sup>2</sup> X			
<sup>n</sup> Bu	Mel	88	:	12
CH=CH <sub>2</sub>	Mel	75	:	25
Me	∕/V Br	89	:	11

Posner *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1975**, 97, 107. Coates *J. Org. Chem.* **1974**, 39, 275.

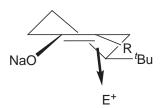


E+

axial attack preferred on stereoelectronic and steric grounds

### b. 1,3-Stereocontrol

Conia Bull. Soc. Chim., Fr. 1966, 3881 and 3888.



- <sup>t</sup>Bu group in preferred equatorial position

73:27

- axial attack favored on stereoelectronic basis no steric bias for either face

### c. 1,4-Stereocontrol

OLi
$$CH_3$$
 $CD_3I$ 
 $Bu$ 
 $CD_3I$ 
 $CD_3I$ 
 $CD_3$ 
 $CD$ 

House J. Org. Chem. 1973, 38, 1000.

preferred stereoelectronic approach from most stable conformation with <sup>t</sup>Bu equatorial

### d. 1,5-Stereocontrol

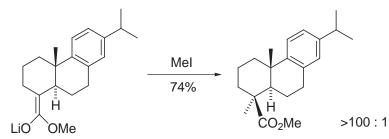
Ireland J. Org. Chem. 1970, 35, 570.

reaction from preferred conformation where Me group vs Ph adopts pseudo axial position

preferred stereoelectronic approach

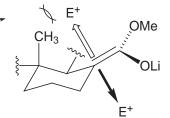
### 3. Other Conformationally Inflexible Systems

- Exocyclic Enolates of a Fixed Conformation



more severe 1,3-diaxial interaction

Welsch J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 2879; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 549.



This leads to a further enhancement of the preferred equatorial delivery of electrophile.

- Exocyclic Norbornanes

Krapcho J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 3236.

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- Confined Endocyclic Enolates

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1962, 84, 2611.

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severe 1,3-diaxial ÇH<sub>3</sub> steric interaction But LiO

stereoelectronic preference for axial alkylation

E+ preference for equatorial alkylation through twist boat

R'''

0

- Predict the major product for

NC,,,

0

9:1

Me

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{Me} \\
\text{O} \\
\text{R}
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
\text{base} \\
\text{R}^1X
\end{array}$$

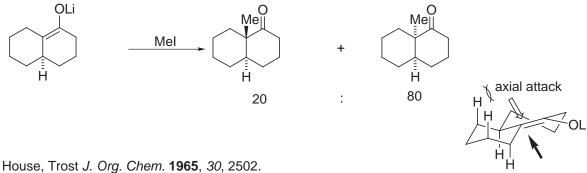
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\text{R} \\
\text{R}$$

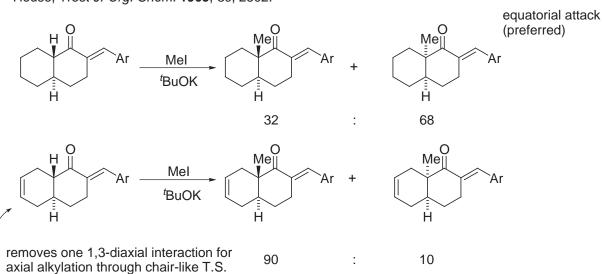
Kuehne J. Org. Chem. 1970, 35, 171. Morris J. Org. Chem. 1972, 37, 789.

Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 2965; 1965, 87, 275.

base

RX





## 4. Conjugate Addition/Alkylation: Stereochemistry

- There are also many examples of tandem conjugate addition/alkylation reactions and conjugate reduction/alkylation reactions that combine elements of both the conjugate addition or reduction with the subsequent alkylation.

Corey and Boger Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 5, 9, and 13.

# F. Asymmetric Alkylations

5-membered ring

#### **Conformational or Intraannular Chirality Transfer**

1. Schöllkopf asymmetric amino acid synthesis:

HO NH<sub>2</sub>

$$NH_{2}$$

$$NH_{2}$$

$$NH_{2}$$

$$NH_{2}$$

$$NH_{2}$$

$$NH_{3}O^{+}$$

$$OCH_{3}$$

$$> 90\% de$$

$$NH_{2}$$

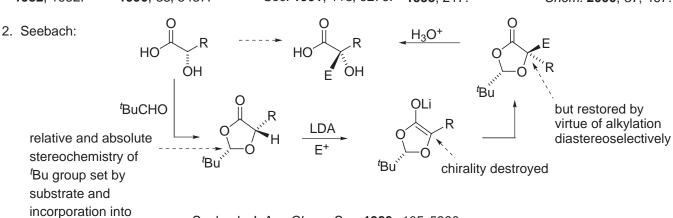
$$OCH_{3}$$

(S)-valine alkylation on face opposite Pr group (1,4-stereocontrol)

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1979, 18, 863; 1981, 20, 798 and 977. Liebigs Ann. Chem. 1981, 696 and 2407. Synthesis 1981, 966 and 969.

- Representative recent templates for asymmetric amino acid synthesis

Schollkopf *Ann.* Spanton *J. Org. Chem.* Williams *J. Am. Chem.* Seebach *Liebigs Ann.* Najera *J. Heterocyclic* **1982**, 1952. **1990**, *55*, 5437. Soc. **1991**, *113*, 9276. **1995**, 217. Chem. **2000**, *37*, 467.



Seebach J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1983**, 105, 5390. Fráter *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1981**, 22, 4221.

## 3. Meyers:

Meyers J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1984, 106, 1146; J. Org. Chem. 1989, 54, 2509.

## **Chelation Enforced Chirality Transfer**

$$E^+ = Br$$
 96 : 4 Z-enolate (note that normally get E-enolate from esters) removal of axial proton (much more sterically accessible)

Seebach Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1981, 20, 971.

Helv. Chim. Acta 1980, 63, 197, 2005.

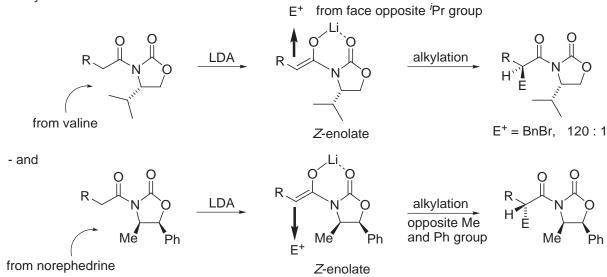
Fráter Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 22, 425.

Helv. Chim. Acta 1979, 62, 2825 and 2829; 1980, 63, 1383.

Kraus Tetrahedron Lett. 1977, 18, 4575.

### 5. Evans' chiral imide auxiliaries: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 1737.

### N-acyl oxazolidinones



- Factors responsible for high diastereoselectivity:
  - a. exclusive formation of Z-enolate.
  - b. chelation results in formation of rigid template, single conformation.
  - c.  $\pi$ -facial selectivity results from sterics of alkylation.

Other electrophiles beyond RX may be employed

$$O$$
 $Ph$ 
 $NSO_2Ph$ 
 $NSO_2Ph$ 
 $NSO_2Ph$ 
 $NBS$ 
 $NBS$ 
 $NBS$ 
 $NBS$ 
 $NBS$ 
 $NBS$ 

# **Extraannular Chirality Transfer**

6. Schöllkopf Liebigs Ann. Chem. 1981, 439.

R = CH<sub>3</sub>, BnBr, 94%, >97 : 3 R = Et, BnBr, 85%, 97.5 : 2.5

		R <sub>S</sub>	$R_L$	$(E^+ = D_2O)$
	Stereoelectronic	Me	OEt	10 : 1
•		Me	OPh	10 : 1
	Steric →	Me	<sup>t</sup> Bu	9:1
		Me	O <sup>t</sup> Bu	8:1
		Me	S <sup>t</sup> Bu	7.5 : 1
		Me	OMe	7:1
		Me	CF <sub>3</sub>	5 : 1
		Me	Ph	3:1
		Me	<sup>i</sup> Pr	2.3 : 1
		Me	Et	1.4 : 1

with control of enolate geometry available, reaction via H-eclipsed conformation might be facially selective. To date, this has not been extensively examined with acyclic systems.

See: Mohrig J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 479.

## 7. Fraser Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 20, 3929.

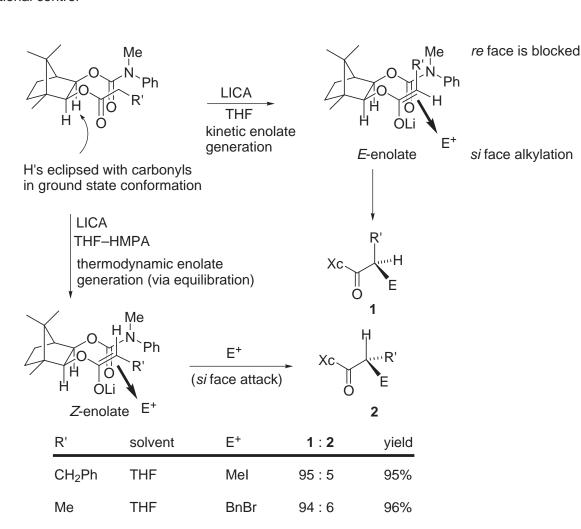
Me Ph N H 
$$E^+$$
  $E^+$   $E^+$   $E^+$   $E^+$   $E^+$ 

# **Through Space Interactions/Blocking Groups**

8.

$$\begin{array}{c|c}
H & R \\
\hline
O & O \\
\end{array}$$

with certain esters of chiral alcohols, could see enantioselectivity via conformational control H and carbonyl are eclipsed in much preferred conformation



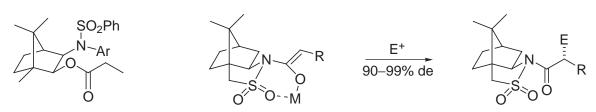
lower diastereoselectivity due to inability to generate exclusively the Z-enolate (70:30 = Z: E formed)

30:70

96%

BnBr

Helmchen *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1981**, *20*, 207. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1980**, *21*, 1137; **1983**, *24*, 3213.



Helmchen

Me

THF-HMPA

Oppolzer Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 5603 and 6009.

9. Catalytic asymmetric alkylation: Corey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1998**, *39*, 5347.

$$R = -(CH_2)_4CI - (CH_2)_2CO_2CH_3$$
ee (%) 99 95 99 91

Additional examples of asymmetric alkylations may be found in the sections discussing enolate equivalents.

# G. Aldol Addition (Condensation)

R<sup>3</sup>CHO + 
$$R^2$$
 OM  $R^3$  OH O  $R^3$   $R^1$  +  $R^3$   $R^2$   $R^1$  First report: Wurtz *Bull. Soc. Chim. Fr.* **1872**, 17, 436.  $R^3$  (or three)

#### 1. Nomenclature

syn/anti J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 2106. (supercedes erythro/threo nomenclature)

erythro/threo Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1980, 19, 557.

Summary Asymm. Synth. Vol. 3, pp 111–212. (Review of aldol diastereoselection)

IUPAC Pure Appl. Chem. 1976, 45, 11.

Others Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1966, 5, 385. (Cahn, Ingold, Prelog)

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1982, 21, 654. (Seebach, Prelog)

J. Org. Chem. 1982, 47, 3811. (Carey, Kuehne)

#### 2. Generalizations

$$R^3$$
CHO +  $R^2$  OM  $R^3$  CHO +  $R^3$  CHO  $R^3$  OH O  $R^3$   $R^3$   $R^4$   $R^2$   $R^4$   $R^4$   $R^4$   $R^4$   $R^5$   $R^6$   $R^6$ 

- 1. Z-enolates give predominantly syn (or threo) aldol products (thermodynamic enolates).
- 2. *E*-enolates give predominantly *anti* (or erythro) aldol products (kinetic enolates).

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- 3. Diastereoselectivity (for syn aldol) of Z-enolates is greater than that of E-enolates (for anti).
- 4. Correlation for *E* or *Z*-enolate is greater when R<sup>1</sup> is sterically demanding.
- 5. Correlation is stronger when R<sup>3</sup> is large (most important for boron enolates).
- 6. Correlation is reversed when R<sup>2</sup> is sterically demanding (very large).
- Advances in <sup>1</sup>H NMR, <sup>13</sup>C NMR permitted detection, quantification and identification.
- Issue of equilibration addressed.

Francis W. Aston was awarded the 1922 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his contributions to analytical chemistry and the study of atomic structure. He is primarily associated with the design and use of the mass spectrometer.

Fritz Pregl received the 1923 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his development of microanalytical techniques (accurate microbalance weighing of 1 μg-20 g) and for refinements in characterizing organic compounds (CHNSX analysis).

R. R. Ernst received the 1991 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for the development of the methodology of high resolution NMR spectroscopy.

## 3. Examples

92:8 E:Z

Heathcock J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 1066.

CH<sub>3</sub>

note: larger R1 helps maintain high selectivity dictated by enolate geometry and substantially enhances E-enolate diastereoselectivity

#### 4. Origin of Diastereoselectivity

- Zimmerman-Traxler Model (J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1957, 79, 1920)
- Chair-like, closed transition state: metal coordination to both carbonyls

#### a. Z-enolates

- 1. Diastereoselectivity for Z-enolate (giving *syn* aldol product) is maximized when R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> are sterically demanding (R<sup>1</sup>/R<sup>3</sup> interaction is maximized).
- 2. Diastereoselectivity also increases as metal is changed to boron. This is attritubted to a tighter T.S. (B–O bond shorter, so R<sup>1</sup>/R<sup>3</sup> steric interactions are magnified in T.S. for *anti* product).
- 3. When  $R^2$  is very large the  $R^3/R^2$  gauche interaction >  $R^1/R^3$  1,3-diaxial interaction (Why?).

#### b. E-enolates

- 1. Diastereoselectivity increases as R<sup>1</sup> and R<sup>3</sup> become sterically large, and a switch to the boron enolate will increase selectivity.
- 2. Diastereoselectivity may switch when R<sup>2</sup> is very large (Why?).

## 5. Cyclic Ketones

- Only *E*-enolate and therefore *anti* aldol.
- Aldol addition is reversible, can get very different selectivity by allowing reaction products to equilibrate (and equilibration can be very fast).

- Instructive examples: Majewski Tetrahedron Lett. **1989**, 30, 5681. House J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1973**, 95, 3310. Heathcock J. Org. Chem. **1980**, 45, 1066.

- but really is the result of equilibration: *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 5681. ratio

## 6. Acyclic Enolates

- Effect of R1

syn: anti ratio

$R^1$	Z-enolate	E-enolate
OMe	_	1.5
O <sup>t</sup> Bu	_	1.0
Н	1.0	1.5
Et	9.0	1.5
<i><sup>i</sup></i> Pr	9.0	1.0
Ph	7	_
<sup>t</sup> Bu	70	_
mesityl	>50	< 0.02

typically:

Z > E diastereoselection

diastereoselection
increases as size
of R<sup>1</sup> increases

#### 7. Refined and Alternative Models

- Idealized closed, chair transition state does not account for Z > E diastereoselectivity nor does it explain the switch in diastereoselectivity when  $R^2$  is sterically demanding.
- It has been suggested that the transition state for addition more closely resembles an eclipsed conformation.
- Dubois, Fellmann Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 1225; Tetrahedron 1978, 34, 1349.
- Heathcock J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 1066.
- For Z-enolate

- For E-enolate

anti 
$$R^3$$
  $R^2$   $R^3$   $R^4$   $R^3$   $R^4$   $R^4$ 

- Burgi-Dunitz approach angle -skewed approach where R<sup>2</sup>/R<sup>3</sup> come closer together than R<sup>1</sup>/R<sup>3</sup>

- An additional alternative explanation considers the boat transition states Evans *Top. Stereochem.* **1982**, *13*, 1.
- In addition to the four idealized closed chair transition states, four closed boat transition states must be considered as well.

#### - Z-enolate

$$R^2/R^3$$
 eclipsed  $R^2/H$  eclipsed  $R^2/H$  eclipsed  $R^3/H$  eclipsed  $R^3/H$  eclipsed  $R^3/H$  eclipsed  $R^3/H$  eclipsed  $R^3/H$  eclipsed

- when the R<sup>2</sup>/R<sup>3</sup> gauche interaction is large in chair TS, *Z*-enolate boat TS might become competitive leading to the *anti* aldol

#### - E-enolate

*anti* aldol

- However, the boat transition state alternative does not explain the *E*-enolate switch from *anti* to *syn* aldol when R<sup>2</sup> becomes sterically more demanding.

# - Examples

OMgBr

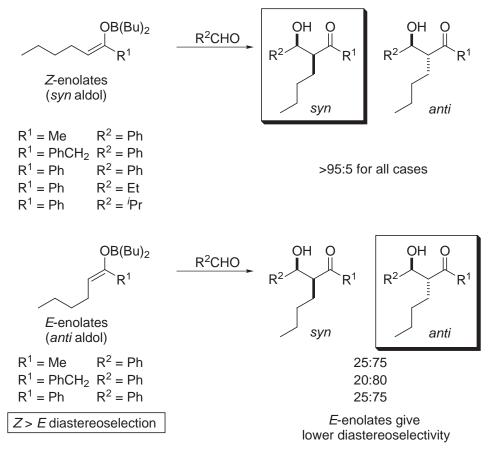
$$R$$
 $CH_3CHO$ 
 $0 \, ^{\circ}C$ 
 $R = Me$ 
 $R = Me$ 

# anti:syn ratio decreases smoothly as R becomes larger (R2 in models above)

OLi
$$t_{Bu}$$
 $R$ 
 $t_{Bu}$ 
 $R$ 

#### 8. Boron Enolates

- Often much more diastereoselective in their aldol addition reactions
- This results from a shorter B-O bond length, tighter transition state



Masamune Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 1665.

# a. Z-enolate Preparation and Reactions

## b. E-enolate Preparation and Reactions

Me
$$R_{1} = P$$

$$R_{2}BOTf$$

$$PhCHO$$

$$R_{1} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{2} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{1} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{2} = PhCHO$$

$$PhCHO$$

$$PhCHO$$

$$PhCHO$$

$$PhCHO$$

$$PhCHO$$

$$PhCHO$$

$$Anti \text{ ald ol}$$

$$R_{1} = Pr$$

$$R_{2}BOTf, -78 °C$$

$$45:55 Z:E$$

$$R_{1} = Pr$$

$$R_{2}BOTf, -78 °C$$

$$45:55 Z:E$$

$$R_{1} = Pr$$

$$R_{2}BOTf, -78 °C$$

$$45:55 Z:E$$

$$R_{3} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{1} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{2} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{3} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{1} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{2} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{3} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{4} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{1} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{2} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{3} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{4} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{1} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{2} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{3} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{4} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{1} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{2} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{3} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{4} = PhCHO$$

$$R_{5} = PhCHO$$

- originally difficult to control but:

Me 
$$R_2$$
BOTf  $PhCHO$ 

Me  $S^t$ Bu  $PhCHO$ 

PhCHO

PhCHO

PhCHO

PhCHO

PhCHO

PhCHO

PhCHO

Anti aldol

Bu<sub>2</sub>BOTf, 0 °C >95:5

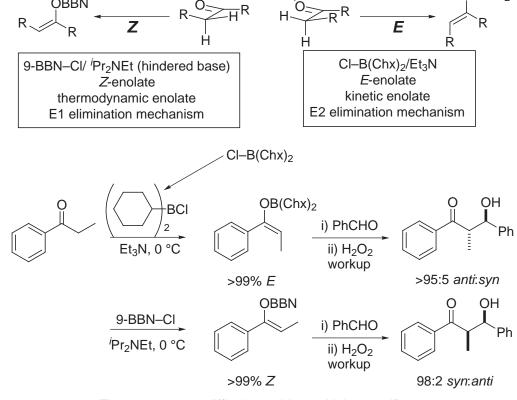
10:90 syn/anti

5:95 syn/anti

*E*-enolates very accessible using <sup>t</sup>butylthiol esters

OBChx<sub>2</sub>

### c. Examples of more recent methods to control boron enolate geometry



-These results are difficult to achieve with boron triflates

Brown J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 3441.

# - Examples

0	9-BBN-CI	BCI <sub>2</sub>
	99:1 ( <i>Z:E</i> )	<1:99 ( <i>Z:E</i> )
0	>99:1	15:85
0	98:2 (via equilibration)	<1:99
	96:4 (via equilibration)	<1:99
	99:1 (via equilibration)	21:79

Z-enolate is easy to access: thermodynamic enolate E-enolate is less stable, more difficult to generate without equilibration (also still difficult to prepare unless alkyl groups are bulky).

- see also Brown J. Org. Chem. 1992, 57, 499 and 2716.

Brown J. Org. Chem. 1994, 59, 2336.

O	Chx <sub>2</sub> BX	OBChx <sub>2</sub>		OBChx <sub>2</sub>
ROEt	<sup>i</sup> Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt or Et <sub>3</sub> N	ROEt		OEt
	CCI <sub>4</sub>	Z		R <b>E</b>
$R = CH_3$	X = I	>97	:	3
$R = CH_3$	X = Br	84	:	17
R = Et	X = I	95	:	5
R = <sup>i</sup> Pr	X = I	<3	:	>97
$R = {}^{t}Bu$	X = I	<3	:	>97
R = Ph	X = I	<3	:	>97
O	Chx <sub>2</sub> BI	OBChx <sub>2</sub>		OBChx <sub>2</sub>
OR	CCI <sub>4</sub>	OR		OR
		Z		E
$R = CH_3$	Et <sub>3</sub> N	>97	:	<3
	<sup>i</sup> Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	>97	:	<3
R = Et	Et <sub>3</sub> N	>97	:	<3
	<sup>i</sup> Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	>97	:	<3
R = <sup>i</sup> Pr	Et <sub>3</sub> N	86	:	14
	<sup>i</sup> Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	64	:	36
$R = {}^{t}Bu$	Et <sub>3</sub> N	59	:	41
	<sup>i</sup> Pr <sub>2</sub> NEt	3		97

# 9. Aldol Condensation with Chiral Aldehydes

a. Felkin Addition

- Two faces of aldehyde are diastereotopic.
- Nucleophilic addition of enolate follows Cram's empirical generalization (Felkin–Anh addition).

- Can combine all selectivities to give 3 contiguous chiral centers, if the chiral aldehyde and enolate partners are both highly diastereoselective.

Heathcock J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 1066.

- syn aldol reaction proceeds with >98% syn selectivity
- Cram/Felkin-Anh addition proceeds with 86:14 syn selectivity

Woodward J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 3210, 3213, 3215. ⇒ erythromycin

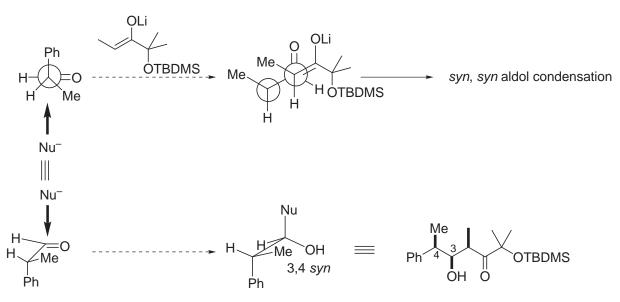
#### b. Chelation Control

>98% syn aldol, 79:21 chelation-controlled addition to RCHO

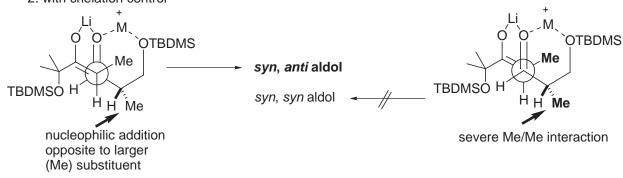
Heathcock J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 1066.

# **Explanation of Chelation Control**

#### 1. without chelation control



# 2. with chelation control



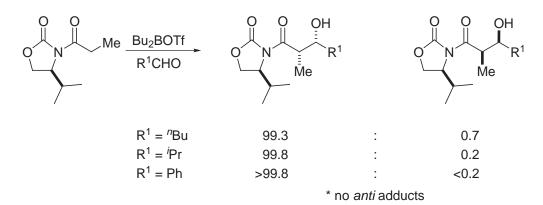
backside attack

### 10. Aldol Condensation with Chiral Enolates

## Evans' Chiral N-Acyl Oxazolidinones

two possible syn aldol products (relative to chiral center on aux.)

## 1. Experimental results



Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 2127, 2876, and 3099.

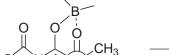
## 2. Origin of diastereoselectivity

- Z-enolate (boron enolate/amide) gives syn aldol

Мe

Chair transition state

non-chelated Z-enolate



(minor syn aldol product)

- H-H interaction

- steric interaction with <sup>i</sup>Pr (facial selectivity)

- aligned dipoles less favorable

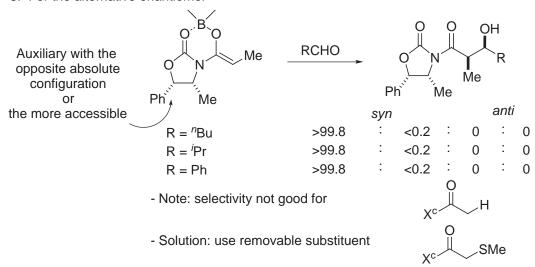
Aldehyde R group equatorial (axial would give anti aldol)

observed syn aldol product Me

Me

- chiral auxiliary rotates
- non-chelated enolate: opens coordination site on boron required to complex and activate aldehyde
- dipoles non-aligned, more favorable

#### 3. For the alternative enantiomer



Evans aldol overrides any chiral aldehyde directing preference: i.e. Felkin-Anh preference.

As before - two possible transition states for *syn* aldol product formation

- anti carbonyl conformation

observed syn aldol product

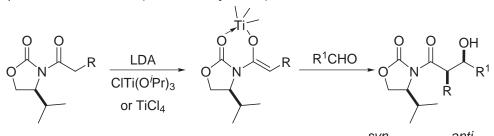
- syn carbonyl conformation

- steric interactions between H's

(minor syn aldol product)

Note: Availability of oxazolidinone alternatives Fujita J. Org. Chem. 1986, 51, 2391. Crimmins J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 7883.

4. Ti enolate promoted Evans aldol (non-Evans syn aldol)



Et<sub>2</sub>O vs. THF as solvent

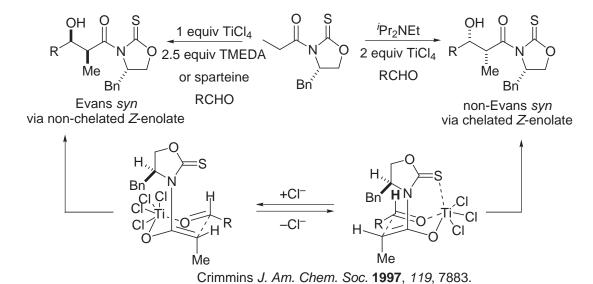
Z-enolate and chelated enolate higher coordination sphere of Ti : 87

Thornton *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 5722; **1991**, *113*, 1299. Evans *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1991**, *113*, 1047. Thornton *J. Org. Chem.* **1991**, *56*, 2489. Heathcock *J. Org. Chem.* **1991**, *56*, 5747.

syn aldol product but opposite absolute stereochemistry (non-Evans syn aldol).

#### 5. Origin of diastereoselectivity - chelated Z-enolate

#### 6. Chelated and non-chelated Ti enolates



#### 7. Anti-selective additions

- see also Heathcock Aldrichimica Acta 1990, 23, 99; J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 5747.

OH O Se 
$$\frac{1.1 \text{ equiv TiCl}_4}{\text{NMe}}$$
 BnO  $\frac{1.1 \text{ equiv TiCl}_4}{\text{NMe}}$  BnO  $\frac{1.1 \text{ equiv TiCl}_4}{\text{NMe}}$  BnO  $\frac{1.1 \text{ equiv TiCl}_4}{\text{NMe}}$  BnO  $\frac{1.15 \text{ equiv }^{l}\text{Pr}_2\text{NEt}}{\text{NMe}}$  BnOCH<sub>2</sub>CHO-TiCl<sub>4</sub> BnO  $\frac{1.1 \text{ equiv TiCl}_4}{\text{NMe}}$  Silks J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2000**, 122, 386.

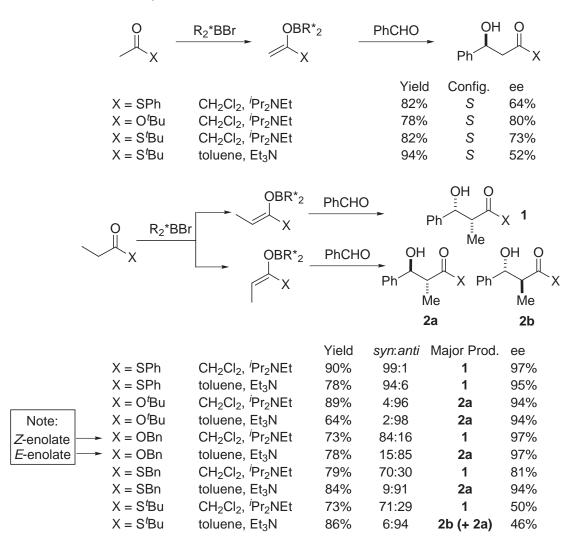
## 11. Asymmetric Aldol Reactions

- Review: Paterson *Org. React.* **1997**, *51*, 1. Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 4976. Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 5493.

- Onan transition state
- Boron enolate
- Z-enolate

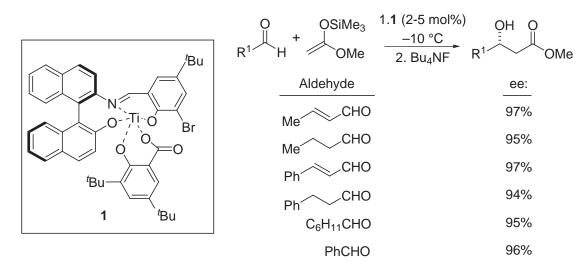
#### Examples

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 1737.



see also: Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1992, 33, 6735.

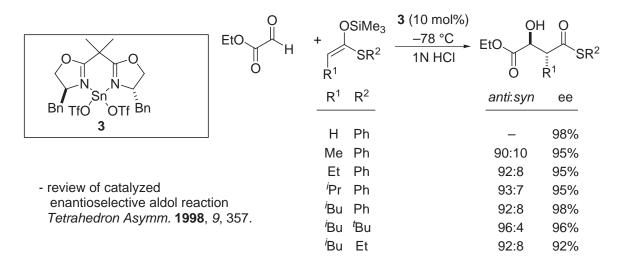
- Mukaiyama Chem. Lett. 1973, 1011; review Org. React. 1982, 28, 203.
- Carreira's catalytic asymmetric aldol



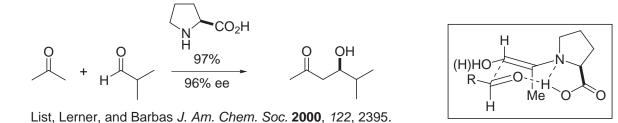
Carreira J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 8837.

## - Evans C2-symmetric bisoxazoline catalysts

Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 7893.



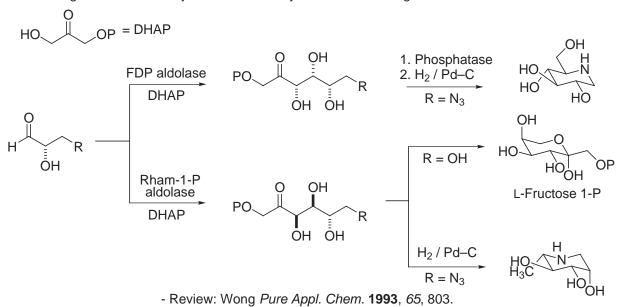
Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 10859.



List J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 7386.

### 12. Enzyme-Catalyzed Aldol

- Wong aldolase based synthesis of carbohydrates and aza-sugars



- Lerner catalytic antibodies
  - wide range of donors and acceptors utilized
  - commercially available

Niels K. Jerne, Georges F. Kohler, and Cesar Milstein shared the 1984 Nobel Prize in Medicine for the preparation of monoclonal antibodies.

Acceptor	Donor	Product	38C2 ee	33F12 ee
		ŌН Ö		
Н			>99%	>99%
O H	OH	OH O OH OH	>98%	89%
			>95%	>95%
Ŭ	Lerne	r, Barbas J. Am. Chem. Soc	e. <b>1998</b> , <i>120</i> , 2768.	

Kinetic resolution

catalyzes retro aldol of only one enantiomer

Lerner, Barbas J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 7283.

Org. Lett. 1999, 1, 59.

# H. Aldol Equivalents

# 1. Chiral Organoboranes

Brown *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1986**, *108*, 293 and 5919. *J. Org. Chem.* **1989**, *54*, 1570.

The relative configuration, syn or anti, of the product is determined by the configuration of the olefin.

The reagent controls facial selectivity of addition and determines the absolute configuration of product.

Roush and Halterman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 294.

A OOOR B 
$$CO_2R$$

Me  $R$ 

H  $R$ 

O  $R$ 

O  $R$ 

H  $R$ 

O  $R$ 

O

- asymmetric induction is a consequence of n/n electronic repulsive interactions disfavoring transition state B relative to transition state A

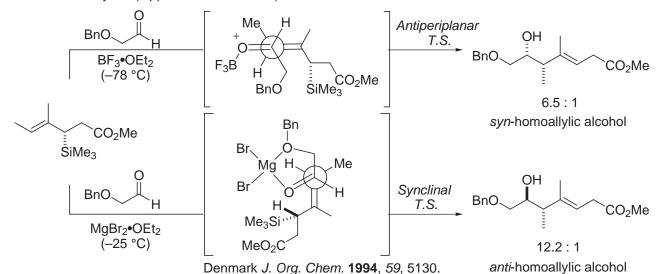
#### 2. AllyIsilanes

Reviews: Fleming Org. React. 1989, 37, 57. Panek Chem. Rev. 1995, 95, 1293.

### A. Chiral allylsilanes yield *E*-olefins selectively

## - Chiral allylsilanes add to carbonyls in syn fashion (either synclinal or antiperiplanar T.S.) (Unless chelation control is utilized)

## B. Additions to Aldehydes (Opposite face of silane)



oxidative cleavage provides aldehyde,

C. Additions to Chiral Aldehydes - BnO chelation, anti

carboxylic acid (R = H) or ketone (R = Me, Et) aldol addition products R<sub>3</sub>SiO no chelation, syn R = Me 64%, 10:1 BnO **BnO** CO<sub>2</sub>Me CO<sub>2</sub>Me 35%, 15:1 R = EtŠiMe<sub>2</sub>Ph Мe Me Me OH TiCl<sub>4</sub> 85%, >30:1 BnO BnO CO<sub>2</sub>Me R = Et69%, 10:1 Ме Me SiMe<sub>2</sub>Ph Me

Me 
$$R = H = 90\%$$
, >30:1 R = H = 90%, >30:1 R = H = 79%, >30:1 R = H = 74%, 15:1 R = H = 74\%, 15:1 R = H = 14\%, 15:1 R =

Jain and Panek J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 12475.

# 3. AllyIstannanes

A. Asymmetric addition via optically active catalyst

Aoki Tetrahedron 1993, 49, 1783.

Keck J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 8467; J. Org. Chem. 1993, 58, 6543.

- Also applicable to allylsilanes.

# I. Enolate-imine Addition Reactions

- Review: Hart Chem. Rev. 1989, 89, 1447.

Hart J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1984, 106, 4819.

NHBOC NHBOC NHBOC NHBOC NHBOC NHBOC NHBOC 
$$X_c$$
 O  $CONH_2$   $X_c$  O  $CONH_$ 

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1994, 116, 5619.

anti:syn (>16:1)

# J. Claisen Condensation

CH<sub>3</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et + NaOH (or NaOEt)

Claisen Chem Ber. **1887**, 20, 651.

Treaction driven to completion by forming product which is stable to the reaction conditions.

NaO

O

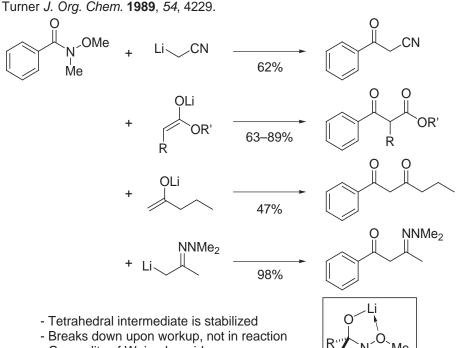
irreversible

O

$$K_{a} = 13$$
 $K_{a} = 13$ 

## - Weinreb Amide

Turner J. Org. Chem. 1989, 54, 4229.



- Generality of Weinreb amide
- Weinreb Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 22, 3815.

#### - Knoevenagel-Doebner and Stobbe Condensation

Knoevenagel–Doebner condensation Knoevenagel Chem. Ber. 1896, 29, 172. Doebner Chem. Ber. 1900, 33, 2140. Review: Org. React. 1967, 15, 204.

Stobbe condensation Stobbe Chem. Ber. 1893, 26, 2312. Review: Org. React. 1951, 6, 1.

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1996, 61, 1710. **1996**, 61, 4894.

# **K. Dieckmann Condensation**

- Org. React. 1967, 15, 1.
- Examples

OEt NaOEt ONa 
$$CO_2Et$$
  $H^+$   $CO_2Et$   $80\%$ 

$$CO_2Et$$
  $NaOEt$   $CO_2Et$   $NaOEt$   $CO_2Et$   $CO_2$ 

EtO<sub>2</sub>C

64-68%

- Org. Syn. Coll. Vol. 2, 288.

180 °C

Stevens J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 6105.

$$CO_2Et$$
  $Na$   $EtOH$   $CO_2Et$ 

Dieckmann Ber. 1894, 27, 965. Fehling Ann. 1844, 49, 192. (1st example - product not identified)

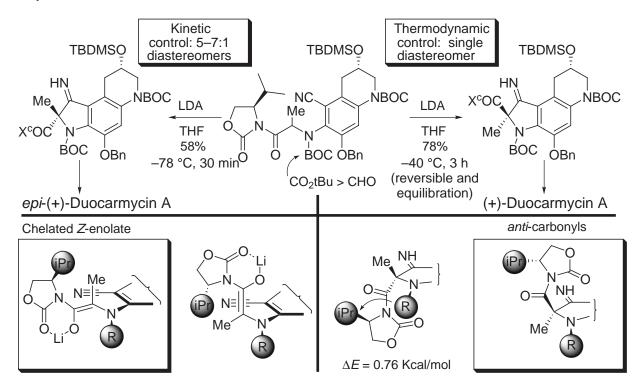
The analogous intramolecular keto ester condensation may be described as "occurring under Dieckmann conditions see: Org. React. 1959, 8, 79.

Boger and Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 4597.

Boger and Brotherton *J. Org. Chem.* **1984**, *49*, 4050. Boger and Takahashi *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12452.

Boger J. Org. Chem. **1992**, 57, 3974. Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1995**, 117, 11839.

# - Asymmetric Dieckmann-like condensation



Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 311.

# L. Enolate Dianions

Weiler J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 1082. Weiler Tetrahedron Lett. 1983, 24, 253. Harris Org. React. 1969, 17, 155–212. (review)

# M. Metalloimines, Enamines and Related Enolate Equivalents

Metalloimines: Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1963, 85, 2178.

- Stork *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1971**, *93*, 5938. (Metalloimines, dimethylhydrazones)
- Corey, Enders *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 3 and 11. *Chem. Ber.* **1978**, *111*, 1337 and 1362. (Dimethylhydrazones)

- Simple alkylation of enolates not always straightforward.
- Can get polyalkylation mixtures.

# - Solutions

Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1971, 93, 5938.

- $pK_a = 20$   $pK_a = 30$
- Higher  $pK_a$  so anion is more reactive
- Alkylation much faster and polyalkylation is not a problem

## Advantages:

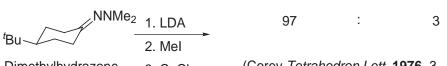
- monoalkylation (more reactive than ketone enolate).
- no enolate anion equilibration.
- regioselective (deprotonation at least substituted site).
- alkylation is diastereoselective.

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1976, 3

Note: preference for *trans* product is thermodynamic in origin. *Cis* (kinetic) product can also be obtained selectively (Collum *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1984**, *106*, 4865).

### - Examples:

Enamine (Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1963, 85, 207)



Dimethylhydrazone

3. CuCl<sub>2</sub> (Corey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 3 *Chem. Ber.* **1978**, *111*, 1337) -also useful in acyclic cases

$$C_4H_9 \xrightarrow{\hspace*{4.5cm} \begin{picture}(20,25) \put(0,0){\line(1,0){15em}} \put(0,0){\line(1,0){15em}}$$

- very good as aldehyde enolate equivalents

Review of methods for dimethylhydrazone cleavage: Enders Acc. Chem. Res. 2000, 33, 157.

Oxidative methods:  $O_3$ ,  $^1O_2$ ,  $NaIO_4$ ,  $NaBO_3$ ,  $(Bu_4N)_2S_2O_8$ , HTIB/BTI, MMPP,  $\emph{m}\text{-}CPBA$ ,  $CH_3CO_3H$ ,  $H_2O_2/SeO_2$ ,  $H_2O_2$ ,  $MeReO_3/H_2O_2$ , DMDO. Note: aldehyde dimethylhydrazones provide the nitrile upon oxidative cleavage. Hydrolytic methods:  $CuCl_2$ ,  $Cu(OAc)_2$ ,  $(CO_2H)_2$ ,  $(NH_4)H_2PO_4$ , MeI-HCI, HCI,  $SiO_2-H_2O$ ,  $BiCl_3/\mu W$ ,  $Pd(OAc)_2/SnCl_2$ ,  $BF_3\bullet OEt_2$ 

Reductive methods: =NNMe<sub>2</sub>  $\rightarrow$  =NH  $\rightarrow$  =O, TiCl<sub>3</sub>, SnCl<sub>2</sub>, Cr(OAc)<sub>2</sub>, VCl<sub>2</sub>

- Enders chiral hydrazones (SAMP and RAMP)

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## - Meyers chiral oxazolines

- Phenyl group shields top face to E<sup>+</sup> attack

Review: Asymm. Synth. Vol. 3, 213.

# N. Alkylation of Extended Enolates

- For alkylation in the  $\gamma$  position - can use a dianion

- In cyclic systems

Danheiser, Stork *J. Org. Chem.* **1973**, *38*, 1775. Cargill *J. Org. Chem.* **1973**, *38*, 2125.

Yoshimoto, Ishida, Hiraoka *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1973**, 39. Bryson, Gammill *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1974**, 3963.

# IX. Metalation Reactions

# A. Directed Metalation

- Kinetic acceleration of deprotonation of a relatively non-acidic site.
- Synthesis 1983, 95.
- Acc. Chem. Res. 1982, 15, 306.
- Org. React. 1979, 26, 1.

lateral lithiation: Org. React. 1995, 47, 1.

- Usually requires very strong base (<sup>n</sup>BuLi, <sup>s</sup>BuLi or <sup>t</sup>BuLi, sometimes LDA).
- Sometimes requires additives (TMEDA, DABCO) to break up Li aggregates (make bases more reactive).

- Examples:

- All aromatic H's have approximately the same p $K_a$ 

- Not limited to aromatic substrates

- Kinetic acceleration of deprotonation even in the presence of a more acidic proton.

## - Directed Metalation Groups

carbon based	heteroatom based

Strong: Strong: CON-R N-COR CSN-R  $N^-CO_2R$ CONR<sub>2</sub> OCONR<sub>2</sub> CON(R)CH(Z)TMS, Z = H,TMSOPO(NR)<sub>2</sub> CH=NR OCH<sub>2</sub>OMe  $(CH_2)_nNR_2, n = 1,2$ CH(OH)CH<sub>2</sub>NR<sub>2</sub> **OTHP** CN OPh SO<sub>3</sub>R  $SO_2N^-R$ SO<sub>2</sub>NR  $SO_3^-$ Moderate: SO<sub>2</sub><sup>t</sup>Bu CF<sub>3</sub> SO<sup>t</sup>Bu Moderate:  $NR_2$ N≡C Weak: OMe OCH=CH<sub>2</sub> C(OTMS)=CH<sub>2</sub>

OPO(OR)<sub>2</sub> CH(OR)<sub>2</sub>

 $O(CH_2)_2X$ , X = OMe,  $NR_2$ C=C Ph

CI PO(NR)<sub>2</sub> PS(Ph)NR<sub>2</sub>

Weak:

Snieckus Chem. Rev. 1990, 90, 879.

### - Examples (cooperative effect)

Boger and Garbaccio, J. Org. Chem. 1997, 62, 8875.

## - Representative Organolithium Compounds by Directed Metalation

OCH<sub>3</sub> + 
$$^{n}$$
BuLi  $\xrightarrow{\text{Et}_{2}\text{O}, 35 °C}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{OCH}_{3}}$  Li OCH<sub>3</sub>  $\xrightarrow{\text{Li}}$  OCH<sub>3</sub>  $\xrightarrow{\text{major}}$  minor

Shirley J. Org. Chem. 1966, 31, 1221.

Beak J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 1823. Beak J. Org. Chem. 1979, 44, 4463.

Harris J. Org. Chem. 1979, 44, 2004.

Jones and Moodie Org. Synth. 1988, 6, 979.

$$CH_2=CHOCH_3 + {}^tBuLi$$
 THF, 0 °C  $H_2C = \bigcirc$   $H_2C = \bigcirc$ 

Baldwin J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 7125.

Still J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 3620.

Ph<sub>3</sub>Si + 
$${}^{n}$$
BuLi  $\xrightarrow{\text{THF}, -78 °C}$  Ph<sub>3</sub>Si O

Eisch J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 4646.

Corey, Seebach J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 231.

# B. Organolithium Compounds by Metal-Halogen Exchange

Jones and Gilman Org. React. 1951, 6, 339.

Seebach *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 4839. Hoye *J. Org. Chem.* **1982**, 47, 331.

- configurationally stable
- retention of configuration

Note: 2 equiv of reagent are required

<sup>n</sup>BuLi -> <sup>n</sup>BuBr - slower elimination but such products may still compete with desired electrophile for reaction with the generated organolithium reagent.

- Additional examples

$$CH_3$$
  $H$   $+ {}^tBuLi$   $-120 {}^{\circ}C$   $CH_3$   $H$   $L$ 

Seebach Tetrahedron Lett. 1976, 4839.

Linstrumelle Synthesis 1975, 434.

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 3685.

Miller J. Org. Chem. 1979, 44, 4623.

Parham J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 1187.

note: metalation in presence of reactive groups.

$$O_2N$$
 $Br$ 
 $+ ^nBuLi$ 
 $O_2N$ 
 $Br$ 
 $Br$ 

Parham J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 257.

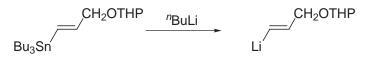
Corey and Boger Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 5, 9, and 13.

<sup>n</sup>BuLi, –78 °C Et<sub>2</sub>O, 15 min

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4050. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 12452. Boger J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 2115. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 11839.

# C. Organolithium Compounds by Metal-Metal Exchange

- Reactions of organotin reagents with alkyllithium reagents are particularly significant.



Corey J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 2265.

Proceeds in direction of placing the more electropositive metal on the more electronegative (acidic) carbon.

$$R \stackrel{OR}{\longleftarrow} R \stackrel{n}{\longleftarrow} R \stackrel{OF}{\longleftarrow} R \stackrel{OF}{\longleftarrow} Ii$$

$$R \xrightarrow{OR} \frac{^{n}BuLi}{-78 \text{ °C}} \qquad R \xrightarrow{OF}$$

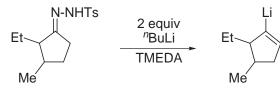
$$R_2NCH_2SnBu_3 \xrightarrow{n'BuLi} R_2NCH_2Li$$

Still J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 1481. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 1201. McGarvey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 842. Macdonald

Peterson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1971, 93, 4027.

- transmetalation with retention and maintenance of configuration

# D. Organolithium Compounds from the Shapiro Reaction



Bamford, Stevens J. Chem. Soc. 1952, 4735. Shapiro Org. React. 1976, 23, 405. Bond J. Org. Chem. 1981, 46, 1315. Chamberlin Org. React. 1990, 39, 1.

# E. Key Organometallic Reactions Enlisting Metalation and Transmetalation Reactions

#### **Heck Reaction**

Heck J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 1133.

Org. React. 1982, 27, 345.

Acc. Chem. Res. 1979, 12, 146.

#### **Stille Coupling Reaction**

RX + R'SnR<sub>3</sub> Pd(0)
R-R' Stille J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1978**, 100, 3636.
Farina Org. React. **1997**, 50, 1.
Stille Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. **1986**, 25, 508.

- 1) oxidative addition (R–Pd–X), generally rate determining step
- 2) transmetalation  $(R-Pd-R' + XSnR_3 \text{ or } XB(OH)_2)$
- 3) reductive elimination (R-R' + Pd(0))

#### Suzuki Reaction

 $RX + R'B(OH)_2 \xrightarrow{Pd(0)} R-R'$ 

I > OTf > Br >> CI: generally the initial oxidative addition is the rate determining step.

Suzuki J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1979, 866.

Suzuki Chem. Rev. 1995, 95, 8457.

# X. Key Ring Forming Reactions

## A. Diels-Alder Reaction

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- General review: Wollweber, H. in Houben–Weyl, Methoden der Organischen Chemie; E. Muller, Ed.;
   Georg Thieme: Stuttgart, 1970, pp 977–1210.
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- 11. Diels-Alder reaction: preparative aspects: Sauer, J. Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1966, 5, 211.
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- 16. Diels-Alder reaction of heteroatom-substituted dienes: Petrzilka, M.; Grayson, J. I. Synthesis 1981, 753.
- 17. Preparation and Synthetic Aspects: Wagner-Jauregg, T. Synthesis 1976, 349; Synthesis 1980, 165, 769.
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- 19. Review on "Danishefsky's diene" and related dienes: Danishefsky, S. Acc. Chem. Res. 1981, 14, 400.
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- 22. Intramolecular Diels–Alder reaction of o-quinodimethanes: Oppolzer, W. Synthesis 1978, 793.
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#### 2. Discovery

Wieland (*Ber.* **1906**, *39*, 1492) described the 1:1 dimerization of conjugated dienes in what was probably the first report of a Diels–Alder reaction.

Wieland received the 1927 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his steroid work unrelated to these observations.

Albrecht (Thiele) Reaction: *Ann.* **1906**, *348*, 31.

Staudinger Structure: *Die Ketene*, Stuttgart **1912**, 59.

Structure established by Diels and Alder, and they went on to define scope and mechanism of the reaction. For this, they received the 1950 Nobel Prize in Chemistry.

Diels and Alder Ann. 1928, 460, 98.

In fact, von Euler had correctly, but tentatively, identified the 2:1 adduct of isoprene with *p*-benzoquinone before Diels and Alder's work. von Euler, Josephson *Ber.* **1920**, *53*, 822.

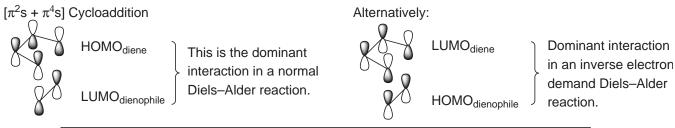
von Euler received the 1929 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his investigations on fermentations of sugars and the fermentative enzymes. He had trained with Landolt, Nernst, van't Hoff, Arrhenius, Hantzsch, and Thiele and was remarkable in his scientific pursuits. By 1910, he had already initiated his monumental studies of enzyme structure, kinetics, and mechanism and his occasional forays into pure organic chemistry were just as remarkable.

For an engaging description of the discovery of the Diels–Alder reaction, the competition for its exploration and applications, and the missed opportunities, see: Berson *Tetrahedron* **1992**, *48*, 3.

Even in their first disclosure, Diels and Alder recognized the potential the reaction might hold for synthesis: "Thus, it appears to us that the possibility of synthesis of complex compounds related to or identical with natural products such as terpenes, sesquiterpenes, perhaps also alkaloids, has moved to a near prospect." They also felt this could be reserved: "We explicitly reserve for ourselves the application of the reaction discovered by us to the solution of such problems." Fortunately, this was not the case and an extraordinary group of investigators helped define the scope and mechanism of the Diels–Alder reaction.

The first applications in total synthesis include: Cortisone by Woodward, Sondheimer *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1951**, 73, 2403; Sarett (Merck) *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1952**, 74, 4974. Cantharidin by Stork, Burgstahler, van Tamelen *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1951**, 73, 4501.

#### 3. Mechanism, FMO Treatment



- 1. Large  $E_a$  for the reactions.
- 2. Driving force is formation of two new  $\sigma$  bonds accompanying the loss of two  $\pi$  bonds.

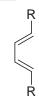
### 4. Diastereoselectivity

a. *cis* Principle: Geometry of dienophile and diene are maintained in the [4 + 2] cycloadduct.

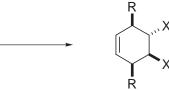
e.g.

$$CO_2CH_3$$
 $CH_3O_2C$ 
 $CO_2CH_3$ 

## Stereospecific







#### b. Alder's Endo Rule:

Stereoselective 

Endo product and endo transition state predominate even though exo products are usually more stable; endo is the kinetic product.

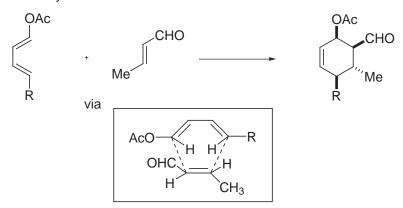
e.g.

#### Endo, boat transition state

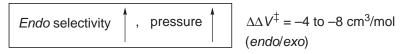
Result: Both *cis* rule and *endo* rule 

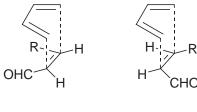
Diels-Alder reaction very useful, diastereoselective

#### c. Factors influencing endo selectivity of the Diels-Alder reaction



- i. Endo transition state is favored by stabilizing secondary orbital interactions.
- ii. Endo selectivity often increases with the use of Lewis acid catalysis.
- iii. Endo selectivity often increases with increase in pressure of reaction.





endo T.S. exo T.S.

Raistrick *J. Chem. Soc.* **1939**. 1761, 1770. Jones *Tetrahedron* **1962**, *18*, 267.

Dauben demonstrated pressure-promoted reactions are viable:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 3664.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 1992.

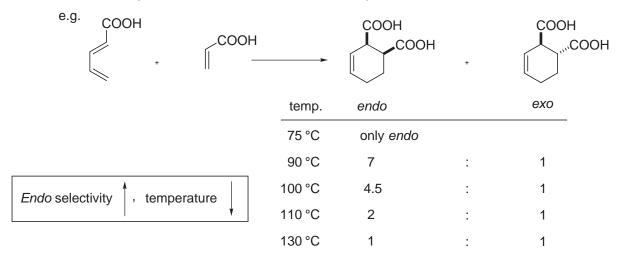
J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 282.

 $-\Delta V$  <sup>‡</sup> is negative (-25 to -38 cm<sup>3</sup>/mol). So increase pressure, increase rate of reaction.

-And *endo* T.S. is more compact, so  $\Delta\Delta V^{\dagger}$  for *endo:exo* also negative. (i.e., diastereoselectivity increases)

Example of Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1988**, *108*, 6695 and 6713.

#### iv. Endo selectivity also increases with decreases in temperature at which the reaction is conducted



Furukawa J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 6548.

Some Diels–Alder adducts are thermally unstable (reversible) and subject to equilibration via retro Diels–Alder reaction to provide the most stable product: Ripoll *Tetrahedron* **1978**, *34*, 19.

see also: Rickborn Org. React. 1998, 52, 1.

## 5. Regioselectivity

a. 1-Substituted dienes react with substituted dienophiles to give the ortho product:

usually around 9:1

#### For example:

-Device for predicting regioselectivity: draw out "zwitterionic" representations (resonance structures) for the reactants.

b. 2-Substituted dienes give predominantly the para product:

- c. Complementary substitution usually provides even greater regioselectivity
  - -1,3-Disubstituted Dienes

But noncomplementary substitution may cause problems (lower regioselectivity)

#### -1,2-Substituted Dienes

$$X'$$
 $X'$ 
 $Y$ 
 $Y$ 
 $Y$ 
 $Y$ 
 $Y$ 
 $Y$ 

relative amounts of each depend on electron donating strength of substituents X and X'

#### $NHCO_2R > SR > OR > alkyl > H$

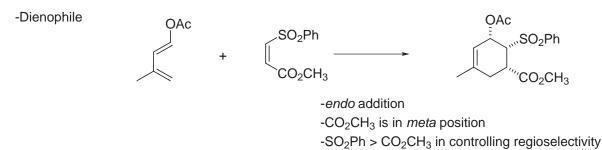
Cohen J. Org Chem. 1982, 47, 4005.

CH<sub>3</sub>O 
$$\rightarrow$$
 + toluene  $\rightarrow$  CH<sub>3</sub>O  $\rightarrow$  PhS  $\rightarrow$  PhS  $\rightarrow$  5 : 1

Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 3548.

Overman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 6335.

#### d. Apparent regioselectivity can be altered by adding a controlling group that is subsequently removed



Parsons J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1987, 1836.

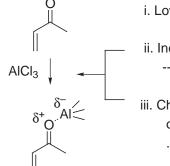
#### - Diene

Corey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1981**, *22*, 603. Ono *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1* **1987**, 1929. Tanis *Syn. Commun.* **1986**, *16*, 251.

Rate of reaction generally insensitive to solvent polarity, but...

#### 6. Lewis Acid Catalysis

Addition of Lewis Acid Catalysts:



- i. Lowers LUMO of dienophile, so increases rate of reaction.
- ii. Increases the difference in magnitude of coefficients of dienophile ----so increases regioselectivity.
- iii. Changes coefficient at dienophile substituent, so increases opportunity of secondary orbital interactions
  - .....often increases endo stereoselectivity.

Increases: 1. Reaction Rate

- 2. Reaction Regioselectivity
- 3. Reaction Endo Diastereoselectivity

#### -Examples

Lutz J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1964, 86, 3899.

toluene, 120 °C, 24 h

71 :

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Yates J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1960, 82, 4436. SnCl<sub>4</sub>, benzene, 25 °C, 1 h

93

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1st example: 100 °C, 3 d, dioxane vs AlCl<sub>3</sub>, 25 °C, 5 min

AlCl<sub>3</sub>:  $\Delta G^{\ddagger}$  9.3 kcal/mol lower than uncatalyzed reaction Inukai, Kojima *J. Org. Chem.* **1967**, *3*2, 872.

 $\Delta E$  endo/exo:

uncat. reaction: 0.2 kcal/mol; AICl<sub>3</sub> cat. reaction: 1.8 kcal/mol

Spellmeyer, Houk *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1988**, *110*, 3412. Jensen, Houk *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1987**, *109*, 3139.

Calculations: s-cis > s-trans

Birney, Houk J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 4127.

#### -Lewis Acid catalysis can also alter regioselectivity

$$CH_3O$$
  $CH_3$   $CH_3O$   $CH_3O$ 

Rationalization: monodentate vs. bidentate coordination

most Lewis basic carbonyl 
$$CH_3$$
  $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$   $CH_3$ 

-Hydrophobic effect:  $H_2O$  solvent acceleration:

Breslow *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 7816. Breslow, Rideout *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1983**, *24*, 1901.

also:

Sternbach *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1982**, *104*, 5853. Grieco *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1983**, *24*, 1897.

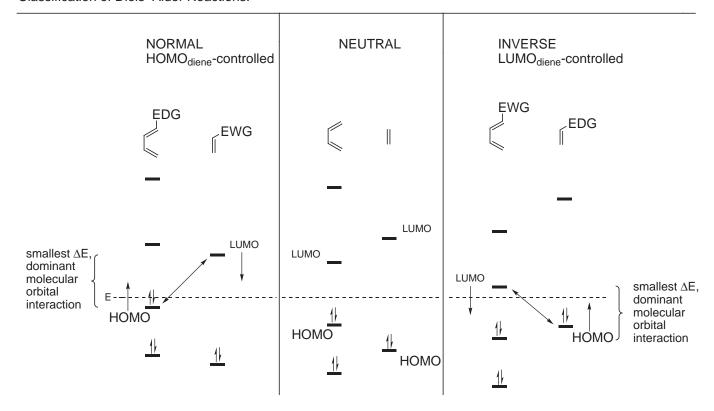
Jorgensen - Hydrogen-bonding of H<sub>2</sub>O serves in the same capacity as a mild Lewis acid.

Jorgensen J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1991**, 113, 7430. J. Org. Chem. **1994**, 59, 803.

#### 7. Detailed FMO Analysis

-Using simple computational tools now available, one can quickly and easily predict regioselectivity and comparatively assess rate and diastereoselectivity of a Diels–Alder reaction by examining the frontier molecular orbitals (FMO). Each of the calculations that follow took < 1 min to run.

Classification of Diels-Alder Reactions.



J. A. Pople (computational methods in quantum chemistry) and W. Kohn (density-functional theory) received the 1998 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for their pioneering contributions to theoretical and computational methods for defining properties and chemical behavior.

Common Computational Tools:

Semiempirical

MNDO: Dewar *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, 99, 4899. AM1: Dewar *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1985**, *107*, 3902.

Ab Initio

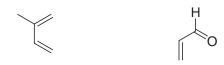
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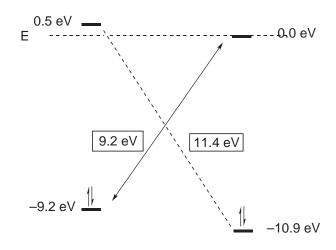
AM1 Theoretical Highest Occupied  $\pi$  Orbital (HOMO) and Lowest Unoccupied  $\pi$  Orbital (LUMO)

π system	E		Coeff	ficients		
H <sub>2</sub> C=CH-CH=O			<u>O-1</u>	<u>C-2</u>	<u>C-3</u>	C-4
E LUMO E HOMO	0.0 eV -10.9 eV	LUMO: HOMO:	0.42 0.35	-0.50 0.05	-0.43 -0.68	0.63 -0.65
H <sub>2</sub> C=CH-CH=OH <sup>+</sup>						
E LUMO E HOMO	−7.0 eV −16.6 eV	LUMO: HOMO:	0.36 0.36	-0.73 0.23	-0.03 -0.73	0.58 -0.53
$H_2C^4$ =CH-C(CH <sub>3</sub> )=C <sup>1</sup> H <sub>2</sub>			<u>C-1</u>	C-2	<u>C-3</u>	C-4
E LUMO E HOMO	0.5 eV -9.2 eV	LUMO: HOMO:	0.57 0.60	-0.43 0.45	-0.37 -0.41	0.51 -0.55
$H_2C^4$ =CH-C(OCH <sub>3</sub> )=C <sup>1</sup> H <sub>2</sub>						
E LUMO E HOMO	0.4 eV -9.1 eV	LUMO: HOMO:	0.51 0.67	-0.41 0.42	-0.44 -0.28	0.58 -0.41
H <sub>2</sub> C <sup>2</sup> =CH-OCH <sub>3</sub>			<u>C-1</u>	<u>C-2</u>	OCH <sub>3</sub>	
E LUMO E HOMO	1.4 eV -9.5 eV	LUMO: HOMO:	0.72 0.48	-0.66 0.69	0.21 -0.51	

#### AM1 $\pi$ -MO's

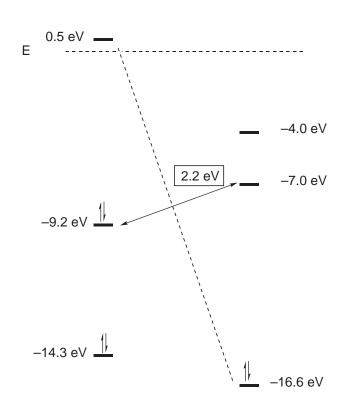
Thermal reaction





 $HOMO_{diene}-LUMO_{dienophile} \ energy \ difference \ is \\ controlling factor for normal Diels-Alder reaction - \\ making this E \ difference \ smaller \ will increase \ rate \\ of reaction. For uncatalyzed reaction, \\ \Delta E = 9.2 \ eV$ 

Model for Lewis acid-catalyzed reaction



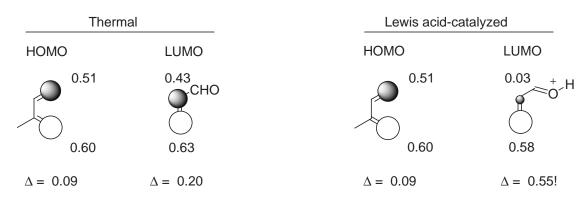
For catalyzed reaction,  $\Delta E = 2.2 \text{ eV}$  \_\_\_\_\_ -21.6 eV

#### Rate:

- -Lewis acids catalyze reaction by lowering energy of  $\pi$  MO's of dienophile.
- -Importantly, the LUMO of the dienophile becomes much lower in energy.

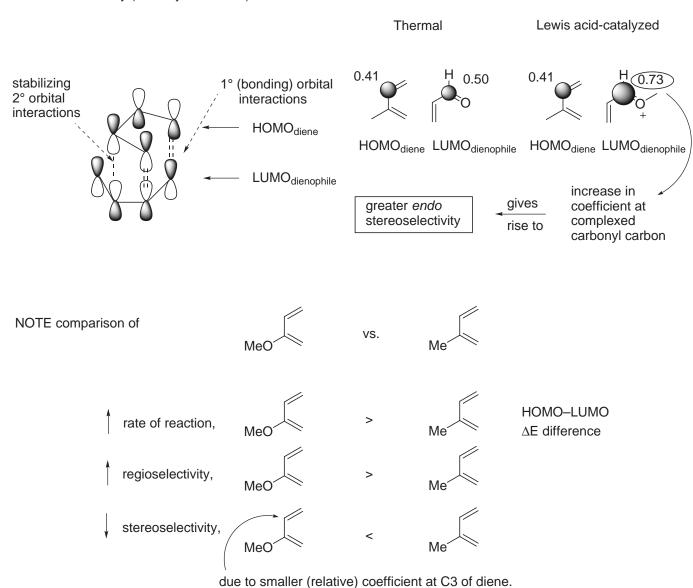
Rate increase by Lewis acid catalysis due to lowering of E of LUMO<sub>dieneophile</sub>.

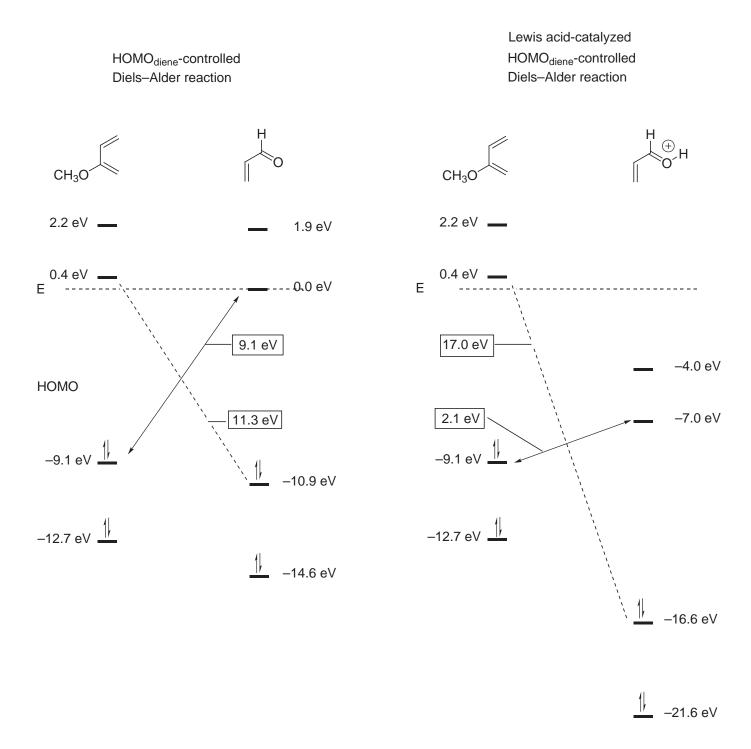
## Regioselectivity:



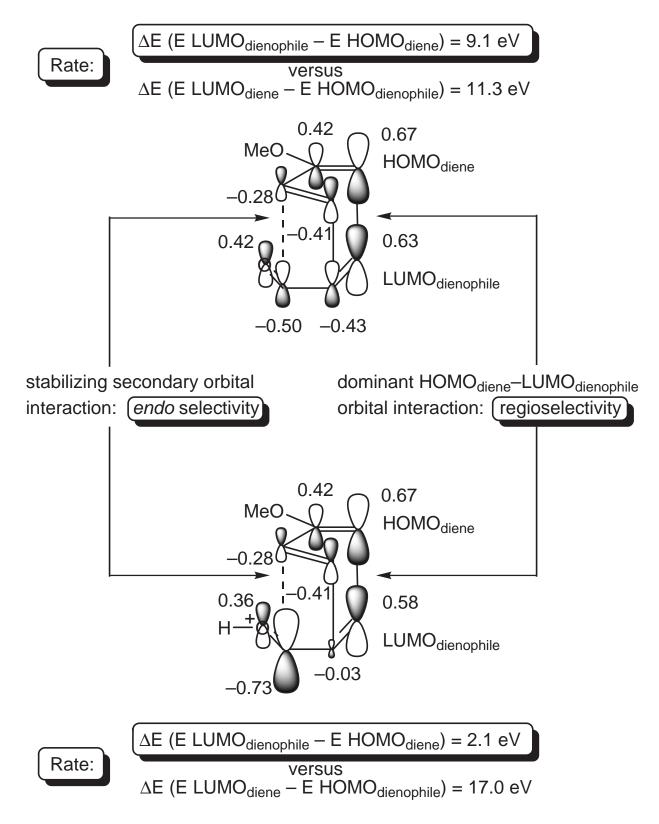
Enhanced polarization of dienophile leads to enhanced regioselectivity.

## Diastereoselectivity (endo cycloaddition):





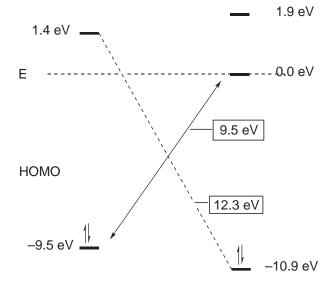
Note: 1 eV = 23.06 kcal/mol, so difference of 0.1 eV is 2.3 kcal/mol and is significant in  $\Delta\Delta G^{\ddagger}$ .



Thermal and (Lewis) acid-catalyzed HOMO<sub>diene</sub>-controlled Diels—Alder reaction of acrolein and 2-methoxybutadiene, AM1 results

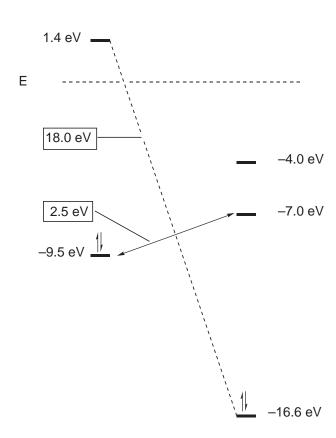
LUMO<sub>diene</sub>-controlled Diels–Alder reaction



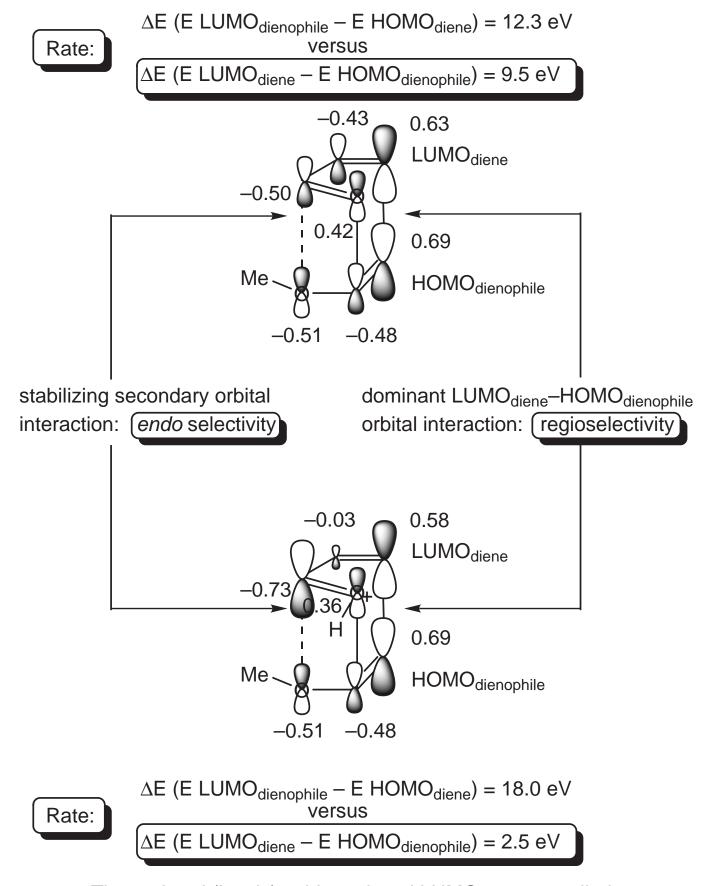


Lewis acid-catalyzed LUMO<sub>diene</sub>-controlled Diels-Alder reaction

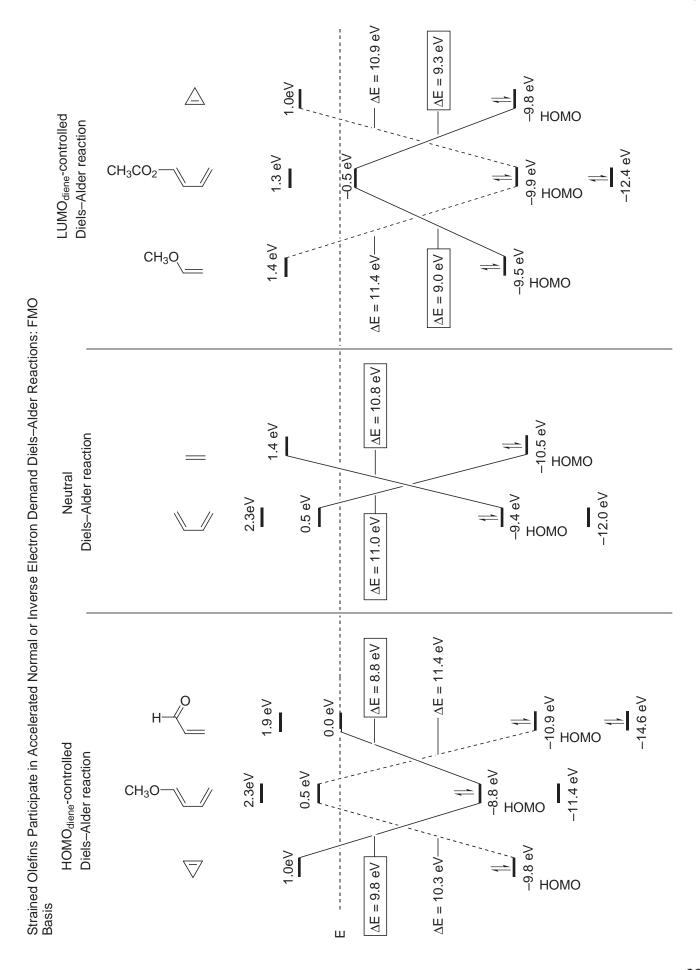




<u></u> −21.6 eV



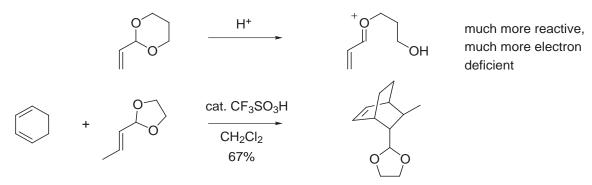
Thermal and (Lewis) acid-catalyzed LUMO<sub>diene</sub>-controlled Diels–Alder reaction of acrolein and methyl vinyl ether, AM1 results



#### 8. Cation-Radical Diels-Alder Reaction

Bauld J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 718; 1982, 104, 2665; 1983, 105, 2378.

#### 9. Ionic Diels-Alder Reaction



Gassman J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1987**, 109, 2182. J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. **1989**, 837.

#### 10. Dienophiles

a. Effect of electron-withdrawing group

+ 
$$X$$
 $X = COCI > PhSO_2 > PhCO > COCH_3 > CN \sim COOCH_3$ 

relative rates: 6700 155 18 4 1.1 1.0

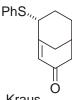
- b. Alkyl groups on dienophile can slow Diels-Alder reaction (steric effect)
- c. Strain in dienophile











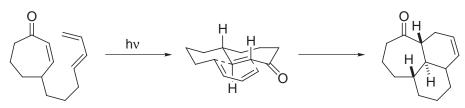
benzyne

bridgehead olefins Keese, Krebs Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. **1972**, 11, 518.

Wiberg J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1960**, 82, 6375.

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1965**, 87, 934.

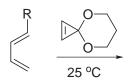
Kraus J. Org. Chem. **1988**, *53*, 1397.



Photochemical isomerization to strained trans enone (7-membered: Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1965, 87, 2051. 8-membered rings: Eaton J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1965, 87, 2052) followed by inter- or intramolecular Diels-Alder reaction.

> intermolecular: Eaton Acc. Chem. Res. 1968, 1, 50. intramolecular: Rawal J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 10229.

#### -Normal and inverse electron demand Diels-Alder reactions of cyclopropenone ketals



exo adduct due to destabilizing steric interactions in preferred endo T.S.

72% R = OMe 69% R = H 65% R =  $CO_2Me$ 

Boger Tetrahedron 1986, 42, 2777.

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 6695.

OMe MeO MeO ÓМе

**Imerubrine** 

OMe MeO MeO **OMe** 

Isoimerubrine

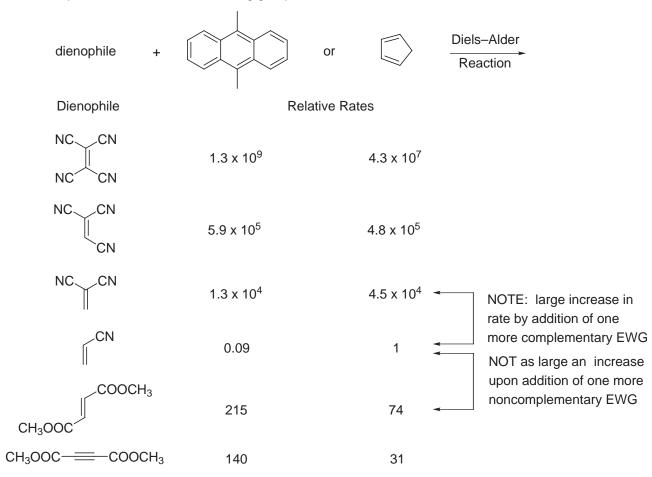
Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 12452.

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 12169.

Rubrolone aglycon

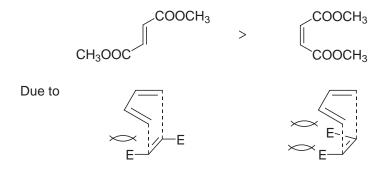
#### d. Quinones are outstanding dienophiles

#### e. Number and position of electron-withdrawing groups



#### f. cis vs. trans Dienophiles

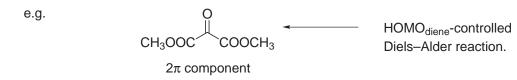
-In polar (or radical) processes, cis isomer reacts faster than trans, but in Diels-Alder reaction:



one additional destabilizing steric interaction

<sup>-</sup>The relative rates of such *cis* vs. *trans* reactions are sometimes used to distinguish between concerted cycloadditions vs. nonconcerted stepwise reactions.

g. Heterodienophiles: typically electron-deficient

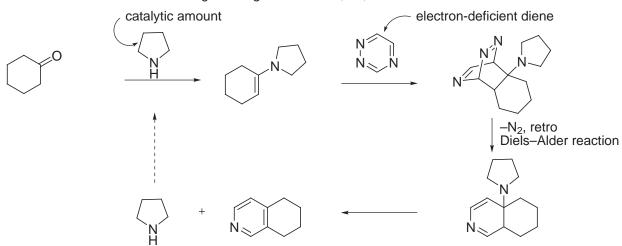


h. Heterodienes: typically electron-deficient



Note: Dienophiles can also be generated in situ:

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4050.



Catalytic Diels–Alder reaction Boger *J. Org. Chem.* **1982**, *47*, 895.

- i. Dienophiles which are not electron-deficient
  - (1) Participate in inverse electron demand Diels-Alder reactions:

McBee *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1954**, 77, 385. Jung *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, 99, 5508.

- (2) Can be used in cation-radical Diels-Alder reactions.
- (3) Also include the behavior of strained olefins.

# j. Dienophile equivalents

-Many specialized dienophiles have been developed which react well in the Diels-Alder reaction and which serve to indirectly introduce functionality not otherwise directly achievable.

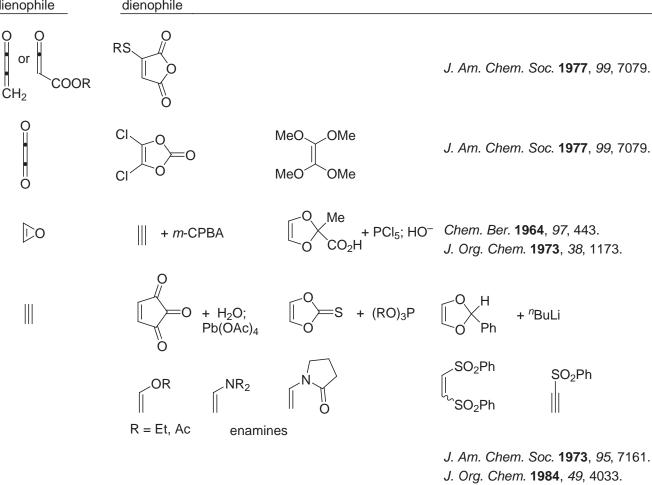
inaccessible dienophile	equivalent dienophile			
ОН	$\bigcirc$ o	+ OsO <sub>4</sub> acetylene	+ Aç	gOAc/I <sub>2</sub> OCH <sub>2</sub> Ph OCH <sub>3</sub> OCH <sub>3</sub>
				J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1958</b> , 80, 209. J. Org. Chem. <b>1988</b> , 53, 5793. J. Org. Chem. <b>1984</b> , 49, 4033.
НО	# m-CPBA; H+, H <sub>2</sub> O acetylene	OCH <sub>2</sub> Ph AcO R <sub>2</sub>	BR <sub>2</sub>	Chem. Ber. <b>1964</b> , 97, 443. J. Org. Chem. <b>1988</b> , 53, 5793, 3373. Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1994</b> , 35, 509.
	AcO CN + OH	CI COCI + NaN <sub>3</sub> / HOAc, H <sub>2</sub> 0	Me <sub>3</sub> Si C	OMe MeO OMe PPh <sub>3</sub> BR <sub>2</sub>
0011				J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1956, 78, 2473. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1971, 93, 4326. J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 4095. Review: Synthesis 1977, 289. Review: Tetrahedron 1999, 55, 293.
or    OH OH	MeO OMe OMe			J. Org. Chem. <b>1984</b> , 49, 4033.
NH <sub>2</sub>	$COCH_3$ $N$ $COCH_3$			Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 2063.
NH <sub>2</sub>	$R = H, COCH_3$			Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1977</b> , 3115. Ann. <b>1976</b> , 1319.
\rightarrow o	Br CHO + BH <sub>4</sub> <sup>-</sup> ; MeO <sup>-</sup>	Br CHO + BH <sub>4</sub> - TsCl;	; ; HO <sup>-</sup>	J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1972</b> , 94, 2549.

inaccessible
dienophile

R = H, R

COR

#### equivalent dienophile



SO<sub>2</sub>Ph

$$O_2N$$
  $O_2N$  reversed regioselectivity

COR PhS COR PhO<sub>2</sub>S COR

R PPPh<sub>3</sub> CH<sub>3</sub> SOPh

EtO<sub>2</sub>C CO<sub>2</sub>Et

COR

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 853. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 7423.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 2918. Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 22, 603. J. Org. Chem. 1979, 44, 1180. J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 2179. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 1597.

J. Org. Chem. 1981, 46, 624. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 1597.

J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 4095. J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1991, 1672.

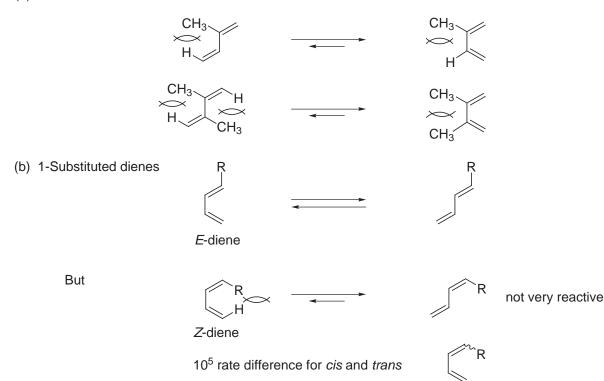
J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 4095.

#### 11. Diene

-Dienes must adopt an s-cisoid (s-Z) conformation to react.

Cisoid conformation of diene is favored with:

(a) 2- and/or 3-substitution



can be used to separate cis and trans isomers of dienes

(c) And, by locking the diene into cisoid conformation

reaction rates for cyclic dienes are faster

$$k_{\text{rel}} = 1348$$
 110 12 5 3.3 2.2 2 1 0.1

#### 12. Functionalized Dienes

Review: Petrzilka, Grayson Synthesis 1981, 753.

-Diels-Alder reaction with introduction of useful functionality

Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 6996.

#### -Danishefsky:

So an alternative disconnection for  $\alpha,\beta\text{-unsaturated}$  enones

looks like a Robinson annulation product

#### Example:

TMSO 
$$R = Me$$

i) 200 °C

2 h, xylene
ii)  $H_3O^+$ 

47% compare to

Wieland-Miescher Ketone

see also: Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 6996, 7001, 7008, 7013.

#### **Companion Strategy:**

Woodward J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1952**, 74, 4223; Bloom J. Org. Chem. **1959**, 24, 278.

regioselectivity: ortho adduct diastereoselectivity: 2° orbital interaction of *endo* addition

Al<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub> (epimerization)

vinylogous ester, not as reactive

i) MsCl, Et<sub>3</sub>N, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> ii) Zn/HOAc (reductive elimination)

CH<sub>3</sub>O

CH<sub>3</sub>O

Robinson *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1961**, 83, 249. Orchin, Butz *J. Org. Chem.* **1943**, *8*, 509. Kishi *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1970**, 5127. Kakushima *Can. J. Chem.* **1976**, *54*, 3304.

very useful

Can also add nucleophiles (RLi, H<sup>-</sup>) to the "vinylogous ester" carbonyl:

See also:

#### -Aromatic Annulation

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4033, 4045 and 4050.

Use of aromatic annulation in total synthesis:

#### Heteroatom Substituted Dienes:

Diels-Alder or Michael-Michael Reaction Lee *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1973**, 3333.

OLi
$$CO_2CH_3$$

$$+$$

$$60\%$$

$$CO_2CH_3$$

Kraus Tetrahedron Lett. 1977, 3929.

Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 3554.

# Danishefsky Diene: (see summary list)

Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 6066.

$${\overset{\mathsf{OSiR}_3}{\bigcirc}}$$
  ${\overset{\mathsf{OR}}{\bigcirc}}$   ${\overset{\mathsf{OR}}{\bigcirc}}$ 

Note the dienophile and diene equivalency list

Brassard Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 4911.

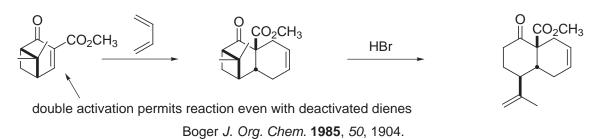
## Danishefsky Applications

Reviews: Danishefsky *Chemtracts: Org. Chem.* **1989**, 2, 273. Danishefsky *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1981**, *14*, 400.

dienes	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 6996, 7001 and 7008.
tatettine	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 2838.
coriolin	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 2097.
prephenate	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 7013.
griseofulvin	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 7018.
pentalenolactone	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 7020.
vernolepin	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 6066.
lasiodiplodin	J. Org. Chem. 1979, 44, 4716.
papulacandin aglycon	Carbohydr. Res. 1987, 171, 317.
vineomycinone	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 1285.

methyllincosaminide	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 1274.
KDO and N-acetylneuraminic acid	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 3929.
tunicaminyluracil	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 7761.
mevinolin	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 2596.
	Pure App. Chem. 1988, 60, 1555.
compactin	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 2599.
avermectin A <sub>1a</sub>	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 8119.
	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 8117.
	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 2967.
octosyl acid	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 7434.
$methyl-\alpha\text{-peracetylhikosanamide}$	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 2193.
zincophorin	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 4368.
6a-deoxyerythronolide	Silicon Chem. 1988, 25 (Ellis Horwood Ltd.)

#### -Unactivated dienes



intramolecular reaction permits use of unactivated diene or dienophile Boger *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1991**, *32*, 7643.

-Deslongchamps: Tetrahedron Lett. 1990, 31, 3969; Synlett 1990, 516.

$$CO_2CH_3$$
 +  $R_2$   $CH_2Cl_2$   $C$ 

CO<sub>2</sub><sup>t</sup>Bu

# -Compilation of Representative Functionalized Dienes

Review: Petrzilka, Grayson Synthesis 1981, 753.

	Review: Petrziik	a, Grayson Synthesis 1981, 753.
diene		reference
	R = SiMe <sub>3</sub>	Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1976</b> , 2935.
		J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1974, 956.
RO ×	R = Et	J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1966, 1152.
		J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 3270.
	R = Ac	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 1967.
	$R = P(O)(OEt)_2$	Helv. Chim. Acta 1979, 62, 442; Synthesis 1981, 753.
	R = CH <sub>3</sub> , Ac	Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1976</b> , 3869, 3873.
	R = Ac	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 8116.
	$R = CH_3$ , 3-Me	Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 1387.
ÓR	$R = CH_3$ , 4-Me	Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 3869.
	R = Ac, 3-Me	J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1980, 197.
		Syn. Commun. 1980, 233.
		J. Org. Chem. <b>1980</b> , <i>45</i> , 4825.
ОМе		J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1974</b> , 96, 7807.
		J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 538.
	Danishefsky's diene	J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 5810.
Me <sub>3</sub> SiO		J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 6996, 7001.
-0		See Danishefsky reference list.
		see also: J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1979, 3132.
OR	R = Me	J. Org. Chem. <b>1982</b> , <i>47</i> , 4774.
J	R = Et	J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1978</b> , 100, 7098.
	$R = SiMe_3$	Syn. Commun. <b>1977</b> , 7, 131.
RO		Chem. Lett. <b>1978</b> , 649.
NO		Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1976</b> , 3169.
		Chem. Pharm. Bull. <b>1978</b> , 26, 2442.
		Synthesis 1981, 30.
		Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1979</b> , 159.
		Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1980</b> , 21, 3557.
OR	R = SiMe <sub>3</sub>	Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1979</b> , 4437.
	3	Chem. Lett. <b>1978</b> , 649.
OMe Me <sub>3</sub> SiO	R = Me	J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 <b>1976</b> , 1852.
	1010	J. Org. Chem. <b>1978</b> , 43, 379.
		J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1979</b> , 101, 7001.
		See Danishefsky reference list.
Me <sub>3</sub> SiO		J. Org. Chem. <b>1977</b> , <i>4</i> 2, 1819.
ŚePh		

diene	reference
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alene		reference
ОR	$R = CH_3$	J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1978</b> , 100, 7098.
	R = Ac, 2-Me	J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 2625.
	$R = SiMe_3$	J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 1799.
		Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 3413.
ÓR	R = Ac	J. Org. Chem. 1965, 30, 2414.
		Org. Syn. 1970, 50, 24.
		Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1979, 18, 304.
		J. Chem. Soc., Dalton Trans. 1974, 956.
		Chem. Ber. 1957, 90, 187.
		J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 1655, 2625.
		J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 4559.
		J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1974, 956.

 $R = SiMe_3$ 

Others

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1957, 79, 3878. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1941, 63, 131. J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1979, 1893.

OR 
$$R = CH_3$$
  $R = SiMe_3$   $R = CH_3, 3-Me$ 

Recl. Trav. Chim. Pays-Bas 1975, 94, 196. Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 4911. Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 4912. J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 3018. Can. J. Chem. 1974, 52, 80. J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 1435.

J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1979, 3132.

J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1979, 3132.

OMe OMe 
$$R = H$$
,  $OSiMe_3$ 

J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1979, 3132. J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 1435.

diene

$$R = CH_3$$
,  $R^1 = H$   
 $R = SiMe_3$ ,  $R^1 = H$ , Me

$$R^{1}O$$

$$R = H, R^1 = Me$$
  
 $R = H, R^1 = Ac$   
 $R = Me, R^1 = SiMe_3$ 

$$R = SiMe_3$$

$$R = CH_3$$

J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 3218.

J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 1208.

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1966, 5, 668.

J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1978, 657.

J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 3218.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 2891.

(also reports corresponding sulfoxides).

J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 1208.

J. Chem. Soc. **1964**, 2932, 2941.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1976, 3169.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1970, 4427.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 113.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1977, 611.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 22, 645.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 3654 and 5983.

J. Chem. Soc. 1964, 2932 and 2941.

J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1973, 3132; 1976, 2057.

Tetrahedron Lett. 1970, 3467 and 4427.

Tetrahedron 1967, 23, 87.

J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 4559.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 8116.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 5017.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 8116.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 3548 and 3554.

J. Org. Chem. 1982, 47, 4005.

J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 4052.

J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 3218.

Org. Syn. 1979, 59, 202.

J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 2934.

J. Org. Chem. 1972, 37, 4474.

diene	reference

$R$ $OSiR_3$ $R$ $OSiR_3$		Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1980</b> , 21, 3423.  J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. <b>1981</b> , 211.
R <sub>2</sub> N	$NR_2 = NEt_2$ $NR_2 = NHCOX$	J. Org. Chem. <b>1966</b> , 31, 2885. J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1976</b> , 98, 2352 and 8295.
NR <sub>2</sub>	$NR_2 = NHCOX$ $NR_2 = NHCO_2R$	Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1976</b> , 3089.  J. Org. Chem. <b>1979</b> , 44, 4183.  Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1980</b> , 21, 3323.  J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1976</b> , 98, 2352.  J. Org. Chem. <b>1978</b> , 43, 2164.  Helv. Chim. Acta <b>1975</b> , 58, 587.  Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1979</b> , 981.
	$NR_2 = NEt_2$	Chem. Ber. 1957, 90, 238.
	NR <sub>2</sub> (comparison)	Chem. Ber. <b>1942</b> , 75, 232. J. Liebigs Ann. Chem. <b>1969</b> , 728, 64.
Me <sub>3</sub> Si O		J. Org. Chem. <b>1980</b> , <i>45</i> , 4810.
CO <sub>2</sub> Et		J. Org. Chem. <b>1970</b> , 35, 3851.
SiR <sub>3</sub>		Tetrahedron <b>1979</b> , 35, 621.
R <sub>3</sub> Si		J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1976, 679, 681.
$R_3Si$		Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1980</b> , 21, 355.

# 13. Heterodienes

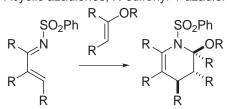
X = Si, Sn

-Typically, heterodienes are electron-deficient and participate in inverse electron demand Diels–Alder reactions Reviews: Boger *Tetrahedron* **1983**, *34*, 2869.

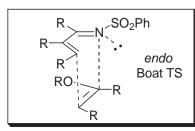
Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 451.

Behforouz Tetrahedron 2000, 56, 5259.

-Acyclic azadienes, N-sulfonyl-1-azadienes:



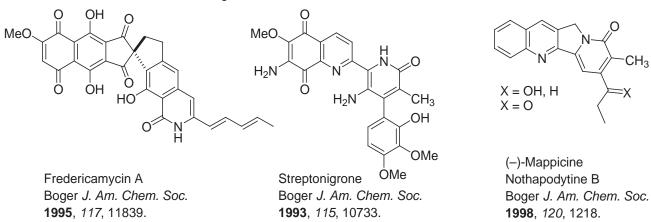
\* Regiospecific and Diastereospecific



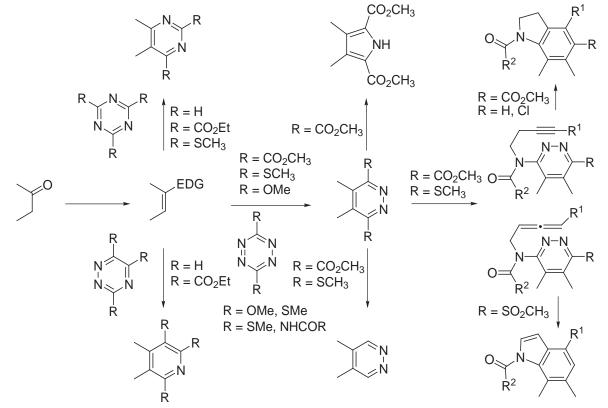
- \* Secondary orbital interaction (C-2 diene/OR)
- \* n-\sigma^\* stabilization (T.S. anomeric effect)
- \* Solvent independent rate
- \* Dienophile geometry conserved

- \* Pressure-induced endo diastereoselectivity
- \* k (trans) > k (cis)
- \* C-3 EWG accelerates reaction (25 °C)
- \* And C-2 or C-4 EWG accelerate reaction
- \* C-3 > C-2 or C-4 (25 °C)

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 1713.



-Representative heteroaromatic azadiene Diels-Alder reactions taken from the work of Boger



Reviews: Boger Tetrahedron 1983, 34, 2869. Chem. Rev. 1986, 86, 781.

Prog. Heterocycl. Chem. 1989, 1, 30. Bull. Chim. Soc. Belg. 1990, 99, 599. Chemtracts: Org. Chem. 1996, 9, 149.

-Heterocyclic azadiene Diels-Alder reaction total synthesis applications taken from the work of Boger

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O \\ MeO \\ H_2N \\ O \\ H_2N \\ \end{array} \begin{array}{c} N \\ CO_2H \\ CH_3 \\ OH \\ OMe \\ \end{array}$$

#### Streptonigrin

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 5745.

#### Prodigiosin

J. Org. Chem. 1988, 53, 1405.

#### cis-Trikentrin A

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 4230.

#### OMP

J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4405.

H. Fischer received the 1930 Nobel Prize in Chemistry on the structure of haemin and chlorophyll and the subsequent synthesis of haemin. By many, this is regarded as a milestone accomplishment for the field of organic synthesis.

$$H_2N$$
 $O$ 
 $N$ 
 $CO_2H$ 
 $CH_3$ 

#### Lavendamycin

J. Org. Chem. 1985, 50, 5782 and 5790.

#### Isochrysohermidin

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 11418.

#### Phomazarin

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 2471.

Richard M. Willstatter received the 1915 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his investigations of plant pigments, particularly chlorophyll. His use of chromatography to isolate natural products first popularized the technique introduced in 1906 by M. Tswett and his synthesis of cocaine is considered by many as the launch of modern day natural products total synthesis.

(+)-CC-1065

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 4796.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 2717.

(+)-P-3A J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1994**, 116, 82.

Bleomycin A<sub>2</sub> *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1994**, *116*, 5607, 5619, 5631, 5647.

Lamellarin O Lukianol A *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1999**, *121*, 54.

Permethyl Storniamide A J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 54.

ent-(-)-Roseophilin J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2001**, 123, 8515.

# O N

Anhydrolycorinone J. Org. Chem. **2000**, 65, 9120.

#### 14. Intramolecular Diels-Alder Reactions

Review: Ciganek Org. React. 1984, 32, 1.

Jung Synlett 1990, 186.

Thomas *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1991**, *24*, 229. Weinreb *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1985**, *18*, 16.

Oppolzer Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5; pp 315.

#### A. General Considerations:

- -less negative  $\Delta \text{S}^{\,\ddagger}$ , which accelerates reaction and results in milder reaction conditions.
- -naturally affects regioselectivity and diastereoselectivity.
- -extends Diels-Alder reaction to include systems which are normally unreactive.

Wilson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 6289.

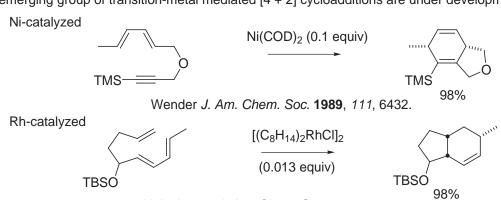
#### B. Notable applications in synthesis:

-tethered intramolecular Diels-Alder reactions

Batey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 450.

-metal-catalyzed intramolecular Diels-Alder reactions

An emerging group of transition-metal mediated [4 + 2] cycloadditions are under development.



Livinghouse J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 4965.

#### -applications in total synthesis

Roush J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 7411. for chlorothricolide

#### 15. Asymmetric Diels-Alder Reaction

Catalytic Asymmetric Diels-Alder Reactions: Kagan, H. B.; Riant, O. *Chem. Rev.* **1992**, *92*, 1007. Asymmetric Hetero Diels-Alder Reaction: Waldermann, H. *Synthesis* **1994**, 535.

#### A. General considerations

-Unsymmetrically substituted dienes or dienophiles have enantiotopic faces. Even with exclusive *cis-endo* addition and regioselectivity, products occur as a pair of enantiomers.

- -There are three possible ways to obtain one of the enantiomers in excess:
  - a) using chiral dienes.
  - b) using chiral dienophiles.
  - c) using chiral Lewis acid catalysts.

In addition, double stereoselection can be realized in many situations.

-Comparison of chiral substrate vs. chiral catalyst

use of a chiral substrate (chiral diene or dienophile): a stoichiometric amount of chiral auxiliary R\* is needed and its introduction before and removal after the Diels–Alder reaction are neccessary.

$$R^*O_2C$$
  $H$   $Si$   $+$   $CO_2R^*$   $+$   $CO_2R^*$ 

use of a chiral catalyst: usually 0.1 equiv. is enough to introduce chirality and the catalyst can be recovered from the reaction mixture and reused.

#### B. Chiral dienophiles

Review: Oppolzer *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1984**, *23*, 876.

Ager and East *Asymmetric Synthetic Methodology*; CRC Press: New York, 1996.

-Chiral dienophiles provide the vast majority of the examples of asymmetric Diels-Alder reactions.

Type II

$$\begin{array}{c}
O \\
XR^*
\end{array}$$

$$X = O, NR^*$$

# First example:

R\*O

OR\*

$$R^* = (-)$$
-menthyl

TiCl<sub>4</sub>

toluene
25 °C

78% de 80% yield

Walborsky Tetrahedron 1963, 19, 2333.

COOMe 
$$\begin{array}{c} \text{COOMe} \\ \text{R*OOC} \\ \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 \\ \text{-30 °C} \\ \text{R = CH}_2\text{Ph, CONHPh} \\ \end{array}$$

Helmchen Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1981, 20, 205.

Masamune J. Org. Chem. 1983, 48, 1137, 4441.

Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1984, 106, 4261; 1988, 110, 1238.

other notable chiral dienophiles:

Arai J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 1983.

Oppolzer *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1989**, *7*2, 123. Oppolzer *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1990**, *31*, 5015.

Liu *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1991**, *32*, 2005. Boger *J. Org. Chem.* **1985**, *50*, 1904.

$$R \xrightarrow{X} O$$

$$X = O, NAc$$

Roush *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 7305 and 7309. Kneer *Synthesis* **1990**, 599.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{Me} \\ \text{Tol}_{\overline{\mathbb{Q}}} \\ \text{O} \end{array}$$

Koizumi Tetrahedron Lett. 1984, 25, 87.

Ghosez Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 5891.

Boeckman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1992, 114, 2258.

Inverse electron demand Diels-Alder reaction Posner *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1986**, *108*, 7373.

Feringa Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1991, 2, 1247.

Meyers Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 6977.

Danishefsky *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1982**, *104*, 6457. Danishefsky *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1984**, *106*, 2455.

Koga J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1990, 426.

#### C. Chiral dienes

-These have been much less extensively studied.

Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 7595.

Dauben Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 4875.

Stoodley J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1990, 1339.

McDougal Tetrahedron Lett. 1989, 30, 3897.

Enders *Synthesis* **1992**, 1242; **1994**, 66. Barluenga *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, *115*, 4403; **1998**, *120*, 2514.

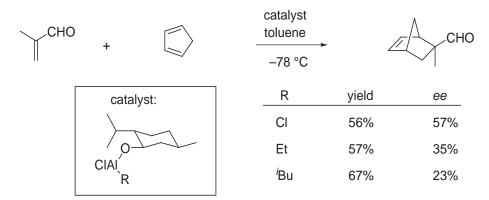
Rawal J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 9562.

# D. Chiral Lewis acid catalysts

Review: Oh Org. Prep. Proced. Int. 1994, 26, 129.

Age and East Asymmetric Synthetic Methodology; CRC Press: New York, 1996.

#### -Pioneer work



Koga J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1979, 437. Tetrahedron Lett. 1987, 28, 5687.

# a. Boron-based Lewis acids

Yamamoto J. Org. Chem. 1989, 54, 1481.

Kelly J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 3510.

Yamamoto Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 4895.

# other boron-based catalysts

Kaufmann *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1990**, *29*, 545. See also: Yamamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1998**, *120*, 6920.

SO<sub>2</sub>Ar R
HB
O
O
R = Et R = 
$$\frac{i}{P}$$
r
R = 3-indole

Yamamoto *Synlett* **1990**, 194. Helmchen *Synlett* **1990**, 197. Mukaiyama *Chem. Lett.* **1991**, 1341. Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1991**, *113*, 8966.

C<sub>3</sub>-symmetric

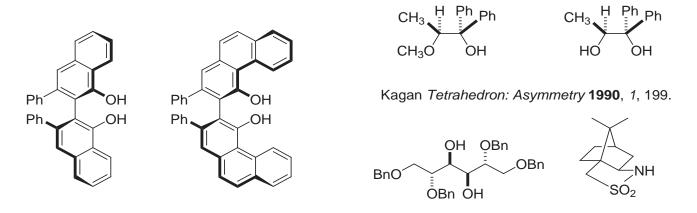
Hawkins J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 7794.

Kaufmann Tetrahedron Lett. 1987, 28, 777. Kaufmann J. Organomet. Chem. 1990, 390, 1.

#### b. Aluminum-based Lewis acids

CF<sub>3</sub>O<sub>2</sub>SHN NHSO<sub>2</sub>CF<sub>3</sub> Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 5493. Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, *114*, 7938.

other chiral ligands used for chiral aluminum-based Lewis acids:



Wulff, Rheingold J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 3814.

Chapuis Helv. Chim. Acta 1987, 70, 436.

#### c. Titanium-based Lewis acids

endo:exo (90:10) endo 92% ee

Narasaka *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 5340. Seebach *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1987**, *70*, 954.

#### Other Titanium catalysts:

Chapuis Helv. Chim. Acta 1987, 70, 436.

Mikami *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* **1991**, 2, 643. Chapuis *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1987**, 70, 436.

Oh J. Org. Chem. 1992, 57, 396.

$$X = Ph, SiPh_3,$$
 $Si^tBuPh_2,$ 
 $Si^tPr_3,$ 
 $Si(o\text{-tolyl})_3$ 

Yamamoto J. Org. Chem. 1993, 58, 2938.

#### d. Copper-based Lewis acids

bis(oxazoline):

$$CH_3$$
 $CH_3$ 
 $CH_3$ 
 $R = Ph$ 
 $Pr$ 
 $E$ 
 $E$ 
 $E$ 
 $E$ 

Evans *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, *115*, 6460. Evans *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1993**, *34*, 7027. Review: Evans *Acc. Chem. Res.* **2000**, *33*, 325.

Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 4895; 1999, 121, 7559 and 7582.

#### e. Iron, Magnesium-based Lewis Acids

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 728.

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1992, 33, 6807.

#### f. Miscellaneous chiral Lewis acids

Kobayashi Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 4535.

Eu(hfc)<sub>3</sub>

Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 7060.

#### E. Biological catalysts

Rao Tetrahedron Lett. 1990, 31, 5959.

#### Catalytic antibodies (abzymes):

R = Me, Et

the Alder endo rule

Schultz J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 7430.

Schultz Science 1998, 279, 1929.

Review: Schultz, Lerner Science 1995, 269, 1835.

Houk, Janda, Lerner Science 1993, 262, 204. Janda J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 7041. Houk, Janda, Wilson Science 1998, 279, 1934.

Hilvert J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 9261.

#### F. Double asymmetric induction

$$O(S)$$
 Ph  
 $O(S)$  Ph  

Masamune J. Org. Chem. 1983, 48, 4441.

Evans Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 7027.

#### G. Intramolecular Diels-Alder reactions

$$CH_3$$
 $CO_2R^*$ 
 $CO_2R^*$ 

Roush J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 2269.

Narasaka Chem. Lett. 1989, 1947.

#### 16. Some Classic and Favorite Total Synthesis Applications

#### Reserpine

Woodward *Tetrahedron* **1958**, 2, 1. Wender *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *10*2, 6157.

#### Ibogamine

Sallay J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1967**, 89, 6762. Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1978**, 100, 3930.

allo-Inositol myo-Inositol Kowarski J. Org. Chem. **1973**, 38, 117.

#### Cantharidin

Stork, Burgstahler *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1953**, *75*, 384. Dauben *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 6893. Grieco *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 4595.

#### Tetrodotoxin

Kishi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 9217.

#### Pyridoxol

Harris *J. Org. Chem.* **1962**, 27, 2705. Doktorova *Tetrahedron* **1969**, 25, 3527.

#### Fraxinellone

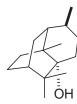
Fukuyama Tetrahedron Lett. 1972, 3401.

α-Damascone Cookson *J. Chem. Soc.*, *Chem. Commun.* 

**1973**, 161, 742.

#### Quinic acid

Raphael *J. Chem. Soc.* **1960**, 1560. Smissman *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1963**, 85, 2184. Wolinsky *J. Org. Chem.* **1964**, 29, 3596. Raphael *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1968**, 1847. Newkome *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1968**, 1851.



#### Patchouli alcohol

Naf, Ohloff Helv. Chim. Acta 1974, 57, 1868.

#### Prostaglandins Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1970**, 92, 397. Taub Tetrahedron Lett. **1975**, 3667.

#### Nootkatone Dastur *J. Am. Chem.* Soc. **1974**, *96*, 2605.

#### Steroids Sarett *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1952**, *74*, 4974. Sarett *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1954**, *76*, 5026.

# Lycorine Torssell *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1974**, 623.

Hasubanan Derivative Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1972**, *94*, 2891.

#### Colchicine Eschenmoser *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1961**, *44*, 540. Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1986**, *108*, 6713.

α-Copaene Corey *J. Am. Chem.* Soc. **1973**, *95*, 2303.

#### Chelidonine Oppolzer *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1971**, 93, 3836.

#### Dendrobine Kende *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, *96*, 4332. Roush *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 1390.

# Minovine Spitzner *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1973**, *95*, 7146. Spitzner *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 3492.

#### Shikimic acid

Raphael *J. Chem. Soc.*, *Chem. Commun.* **1960**, 1560. Raphael *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1968**, 1847. Newkome *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1968**, 1851. Smissman *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1962**, *84*, 1040. Smissman *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1959**, *81*, 2909. Wolinsky, Vasileff *J. Org. Chem.* **1964**, *29*, 3596.

#### Prostaglandins

Sakai, Kobori Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 115.

# Illudol Fomannosin

Semmelhack *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 7567. Semmelhack *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1981**, *103*, 2427. Semmelhack *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1982**, *104*, 747.

#### Estrone (orthoguinodimethide)

Grieco J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 2247.

Saegusa J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 476.

Vollhardt J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 5245 and 5253. Vinca alkaloids and related analogs

Nicolaou J. Org. Chem. 1980, 45, 1463.

#### **Pumilotoxin**

Oppolzer Helv. Chim. Acta 1977, 60, 48, 204. Inubushi Chem. Pharm. Bull. 1978, 26, 2442. Inubushi Tetrahedron Lett. 1976, 3169. Overman Tetrahedron Lett. 1977, 1253. Overman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 5179.

# (-)-Tetracycline

Tatsuta Chem. Lett. 2000, 646.

O OH O CH<sub>2</sub>R<sup>2</sup>

$$R^{1} O OH OR^{3}$$

$$R^{3} = CH_{3} O NH_{2}$$

Anthraquinone antibiotics (aglycon) Kelly J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 5983. Cava J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 1992. Vogel Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 4533. Brassard Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 4911. Gesson Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 22, 1337. Rapoport Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 4777. Gesson Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 3351.

Vinca alkaloids and related analogs Kuehne *J. Org. Chem.* **1980**, *45*, 3259.

Seychellene Yoshkoshi *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans.* 1 **1973**, 1843. Jung *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1980**, *21*, 3127.

Gibberellic acid Corey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1973**, 4477. Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1978**, *100*, 8031, 8034.

Rufescine Boger *J. Org. Chem.* **1984**, *49*, 4050.

Bleomycin A<sub>2</sub> Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1994**, *116*, 5607, 5619, 5631, 5647.

Stemoamide Jacobi *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2000**, *122*, 4295.

Fumagillin Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1972**, *94*, 2549.

Streptonigrone Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1993**, 115, 10733.

(+)-P-3A Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1994**, *116*, 82. Modern Organic Chemistry The Scripps Research Institute

cis-Trikentrin A

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 4230.

Streptonigrin

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1985**, 107, 5745. Weinreb J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1980**, 102, 3962.

Octamethylporphin

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4405.

Prodigiosin

Boger *J. Org. Chem.* **1988**, *5*3, 1405.

Roseophilin Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2001**, *123*, 8515.

Juncusol

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4045.

Isochrysohermidin

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 11418.

$$H_2N$$
 $O$ 
 $N$ 
 $N$ 
 $CO_2Me$ 
 $Me$ 

Lavendamycin methyl ester Boger *J. Org. Chem.* **1985**, *50*, 5790.

Trichodermol

Still J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 3654.

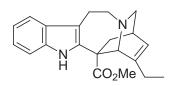
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Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1987**, 109, 2717. Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1988**, 110, 4796.

Sendaverine

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4033.

n = 0: Endiandric acid E n = 1: Endiandric acid F Nicolaou *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1982**, *104*, 5555, 5557, 5558, 5560.



Catharanthine Trost J. Org. Chem. 1979, 44, 2052.

Indicine *N*-oxide Keck *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *10*2, 3632.



Dodecahedrane Paquette J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 4503.

9-Isocyanopupukeanone 9-Pupukeanone Yamamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1979**, *101*, 1609. White *J. Org. Chem.* **1980**, *45*, 1864.

n = 0: Endiandric acid D n = 1: Endiandric acid G Nicolaou *J. Am. Chem.* Soc. **1982**, *104*, 5555, 5557, 5558, 5560.

Quassin and Quassinoids Grieco *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 7586.

Retigeranic acid Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 4339.

Perhydrohistrionicotoxin Keck *J. Org. Chem.* **1982**, *47*, 3590.

Sativene Snowden *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1981**, 22, 97, 101.

Phyllanthocin Burke *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1986**, *27*, 4237.

Fredericamycin A Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1995**, 117, 11839.

Ningalin A J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1999**, 121, 54.

Rubrolone *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2000**, *122*, 12169.

Grandirubrine Imerubrine Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 12452.

$$X = OH, H_2$$
 $X = O$ 

(-)-Mappicine and Nothapodytine B Boger *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1998**, *120*, 1218.

Nigalin B J. Org. Chem. **2000**, 65, 2479

Anhydrolycorinone J. Org. Chem. 2000, 65, 9120.

# **B. Robinson Annulation**

#### Reviews

M. Jung, *Tetrahedron* **1976**, 32, 3. *Org. React.* **1959**, 10, 179. *Org. React.* **1968**, 16, 3. *Synthesis* **1976**, 777. *Synthesis* **1969**, 49.

R. Robinson was awarded the 1947 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on the synthesis of natural products, especially steroids and alkaloids. Notably, he was also the first to address the issue of reaction mechanisms with applications of valence theory to reaction mechanisms, and is credited with the first use of the curved arrow to indicate electron movement. His synthesis of tropinone (1917) is viewed by many to represent the first natural product total synthesis from simple precursors (succindialdehyde, acetone, and methylamine).

Robinson J. Chem. Soc. 1917, 762. (tropinone)

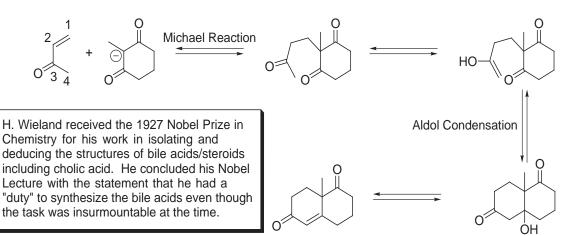
$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ + \\ Ph \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ \hline NANH_2 \\ \hline NH_3-Et_2O \end{array} \begin{array}{c} Ph \\ \hline 43\% \\ \end{array}$$

Robinson J. Chem. Soc. 1935, 1285.

Generated a great deal of interest and subsequent work because of relationship to steroid synthesis.

#### 1. Scope

- Formally, a [4 + 2] condensation approach



Wieland-Miescher ketone

Wieland and Miescher Helv. Chim. Acta 1950, 33, 2215.

- Alternative "[3 + 3] Robinson Annulation"

- Org. Synth., Coll. Vol. 5, 486.

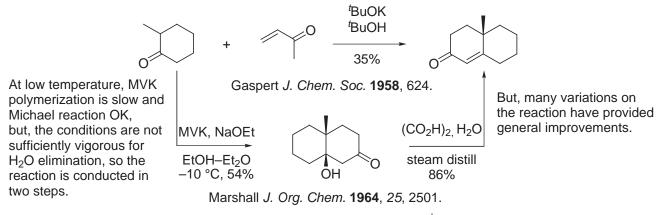
- With stronger base, other reactions are observed:

- Double addition of methyl vinyl ketone (MVK) sometimes a problem, especially at more acidic sites.

-Solutions

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & \\ \hline & &$$

- For the preparation of the useful starting octalone derivatives, the low yield has been considered acceptable since it is prepared from readily available materials.



Acid-catalyzed variant of reaction.

Reaction simple to set up, but, conversion still modest.

Heathcock and McMurry Tetrahedron Lett. 1971, 4995.

Lewis acid catalyzed variant of reaction.

OTMS

Bu<sub>2</sub>Sn(OTf)<sub>2</sub>

CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

OOO

NaOMe

MeOH

89% overall based on MVK

Superb conversions possible.

Nozaki *Tetrahedron* **1991**, *47*, 9773. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, *113*, 4028. - Alternatives to methyl vinyl ketone: MVK difficult to employ due to tendency to polymerize

#### - Other equivalents



Fried J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 5926.

(allylic alkylation reaction is rapid and yield is high)

Stork *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1973**, *95*, 6152. Boeckman *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1973**, *95*, 6867.

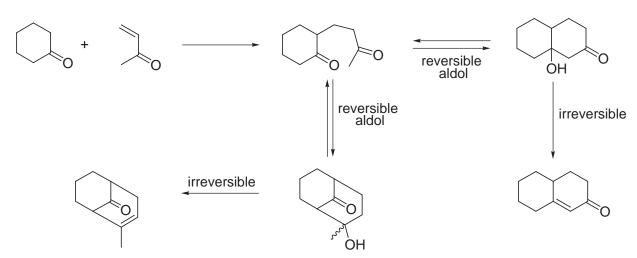
#### **Enamine Annulations**

Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1956**, 78, 5129. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1963**, 85, 207. Henderickson J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1971**, 93, 1307.

Stevens *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1970**, 1585. Evans *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1969**, 1573. Evans *J. Org. Chem.* **1970**, *35*, 4122.

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1963, 85, 3527.

#### - The bridged annulation



slow, difficult –H<sub>2</sub>O: requires vigorous H<sup>+</sup>conditions

usually kinetic aldol product but formed reversibly

elimination especially effective under basic conditions

- Helminthosporal synthesis, Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1963, 85, 3527.

$$\begin{array}{c}
1. \ HCO_2Et \\
2. \ MVK, Et_3N \\
3. \ K_2CO_3, EtOH-H_2O
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
BF_3 \bullet OEt_2 \\
CH_2Cl_2
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
6 \ steps \\
\end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{c}
OHC \\
H
\end{array}$$

#### **Aromatic Annulation**

#### 2. Diastereoselectivity

Substituents at these positions subject to thermodynamic equilibration to most stable product.

#### 3. Tandem Robinson Annulation

(Incorporation of more than four carbons from MVK for more convergent syntheses)

#### - Examples

Karady Tetrahedron Lett. 1976, 2401. Velluz Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1965, 4, 181.

via Michael addition to vinyl pyridine Birch reduction to dihydropyridine, and hydrolysis to diketone

Danishefsky *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1968**, *90*, 520. Danishefsky *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1975**, *97*, 380.

#### Elements of three sequential Robinson annulations

via Birch reduction of aromatic ring, followed by hydrolysis

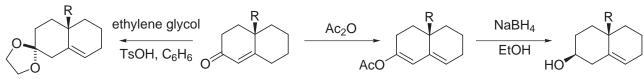
Poirier Tetrahedron 1989, 45, 4191.

$$CI \longrightarrow O$$
  $CO_2^t Bu$ 

Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1971, 93, 2356.

# 4. Robinson Annulation: Key Synthetic Transformations of the Robinson Annulation Product

- Deconjugation with ketalization or reduction



Marshall J. Org. Chem. 1972, 37, 982.

- Reductive deoxygenation:
  - without double bond migration

- with double bond migration

Hydrogenation: McMurry J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 6821; Can. J. Chem. 1972, 50, 336.

Birch reduction: For exceptions to generalizations which can exist, see: Boger Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 17.

#### 5. Asymmetric Robinson Annulation and Related Reactions

Taber J. Org. Chem. 1989, 54, 3831.

#### **Asymmetric Michael**

Revial *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 4121. d'Angelo *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1985**, *107*, 273. Guingant *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* **1993**, *4*, 25.

Revial Org. Syn. 1992, 70, 35.

Review: d'Angelo Tetrahedron: Asymmetry 1992, 3, 456.

# **Asymmetric Aldol**

>95% ee

Lerner J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 2768.

#### 6. Steroid Synthesis

Steroid synthesis: Woodward (Nobel 1965), Robinson (Nobel 1947)

Isolation methods: Chromatography

Conformational analysis: Barton (Nobel 1969)

UV spectroscopy: Woodward, Fieser

ORD: Djerassi

Biosynthesis theory: Bloch and Lynen (Nobel in Medicine 1964),

Cornforth (Nobel 1975)

Adolf Windaus received the 1928 Nobel prize in Chemistry for his work in the sterol area contributing to the structure determination of cholesterol, ergosterol, vitamin D, and vitamin  $B_1$ .

#### 1. Cholesterol

Isolation: 1812

Structure, wrong!, Windaus (Nobel 1928) and Wieland (Nobel 1927)

1932, correct planar connectivity (Wieland)

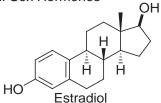
1947, stereochemistry (Hodgkin, X-ray, Nobel 1964)

1952, absolute stereochemistry (Ruzicka, Nobel 1939)

927) H H

Leopold Ruzicka received the 1939 Nobel Prize in Chemistry that recognized his contribution in three areas: macrocyclic compounds, higher terpenes, and steroids including the male sex hormones. He was the first to use Wallach's isoprene rule (1887) and defined monoterpenes as naturally occurring compounds composed of two isoprene units, sesquiterpenes (three), and diterpenes (four). His biogenetic isoprene rule and the complete structure elucidation of cholesterol are among his greatest achievements.

#### 2. Sex Hormones

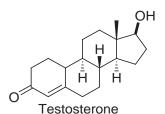


The hormone responsible for female development and maintenance of reproductive organs and secondary sex characteristics.

Pure material isolated 1929, E. Doisy (St. Louis Univ. Medicine Nobel 1943) and A. Butenandt (Gottingen, Nobel 1939)

4 tons of sow ovaries: 25 mg

Adolf Butenandt, a student of A. Windaus, received the 1939 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on the isolation and structure elucidation of sex hormones. In 1929, he isolated estrone simultaneously with E. Doisy, the hormone that determines sexual development in females in pure crystalline form. Within a few years, he isolated androsterone (1931), a male sex hormone, and progesterone (1934), a hormone involved in pregnancy.



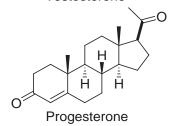
The male sex hormone

1931, Butenandt isolated androsterone (metabolite of testosterone)

15,000 L of men's urine: 15 mg

1935, testosterone isolated from 100 kg bull testicles: 10 mg, E. Laquer

1939, planar structure elucidated by Butenandt, Ruzicka (Nobel 1939)

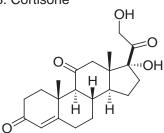


The pregnancy hormone: maintains proper uterine environment for development of fetus, inhibits further ovulation, nature's contraceptive.

1934, isolation and planar structure, Butenandt

50,000 sows to provide 625 kg ovaries: 20 mg

3. Cortisone



Structure: 1935–38, Kendall, Reichstein, Wintersteiner from adrenal cortex of 1.25 million cattle

1952, 36 step synthesis via degradation of bile acids (Sarett, Merck)

1949, Hench and Kendall (Mayo Clinic), 1950 Nobel with Reichstein for anti-arthritic activity

1951, Djerassi (Syntex), synthesis from Mexican yam steroid

1951, Upjohn microbial process for C11 oxidation of progesterone

Tadeus Reichstein received the 1950 Nobel Prize in Medicine for the isolation and structural characterization of pituitary hormones, including cortisone.

Natural steroid hormones are present in such trace amounts in mammals that it is not a practical source. Synthetic steroids, e.g. 19-nor steroids, became commercially important.

Russell E. Marker (Syntex, Penn. State)

Degradation of sapogenins and other plant products

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1947, 69, 2167.

Diosgenin is obtained from the Mexican diocorea plant (Mexican yams).

Dehydropregnenolone is easily transformed to progesterone in 3 steps: (1)  $H_2$ , Pd-C (2) hydrolysis (3) Oppenauer oxidation: cyclohexanone,  $AI(O^iPr)_3$ 

Upjohn avoided attempted monopoly by use of stigmasterol obtained from soybeans:

Norethindrone (20 steps from diosgenin)

There are more stories told about Russell Marker (1902–1995) than perhaps any other chemist. Marker achieved the first practical synthesis of progesterone which led to the creation of Syntex S.A. in Mexico. Marker received not only his B.Sc. (1923), but also a M.S. degree in physical chemistry from the Univ. of Maryland (1924) and subsequently completed enough work in 1 year for his doctoral degree with M. Kharasch at Maryland. However, he did not receive his Ph.D. because he refused to complete his physical chemistry coursework, which he considered a waste of time. In 1925, he joined Ethyl Corp. where he invented the gasoline "octane number" rating system. Following a subsequent position at Rockefeller Univ. with P. A. Levene, he joined Penn State College in a position funded by Parke–Davis. After discovering an economical source of a steroid starting material (diosgenin) in a Mexican yam, Marker developed a degradation synthesis of progesterone producing 3 kg at a time it was selling for \$80/g. Marker commercialized his process in 1944 at Syntex in Mexico which he cofounded. After a dispute in 1945, Marker left Syntex and took with him the details of the synthesis, the key operations which only he had conducted. He founded another company Botanica-Mex which became Hormonosynth and subsequently Diosynth.

Syntex did not fade into the background. After a few months, it was back up a running recruiting C. Djerassi and entrepreneur A. Zaffaroni. Using Syntex progesterone, Djerassi focused on the discovery of a mimic that would not only prevent ovulation like progesterone, but would also be orally active. His group prepared norethindrone, the active ingredient of the first birth control pill.

#### The Total Synthesis Of Steroids

Representative strategies employing the Robinson and related annulations

The Velluz Approach (Roussel–Uclaf, Paris) *Compt. rend.* **1960**, *250*, 1084, 1511. *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1965**, *4*, 181.

Stork isoxazoles, J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1967, 89, 5464.

S. Danishefsky vinyl pyridines, J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 380.

J. Tsuji via Wacker oxidation of terminal double bonds, J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 5070.



Comparison of strategies employing the intramolecular Diels-Alder reaction:

First applications of this strategy were developed independently in laboratories of T. Kametani and W. Oppolzer.

### Examples

T. Kametani, Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 2425.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 3378.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 3461.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 6218.

Oppolzer Helv. Chim. Acta 1977, 60, 2964. Oppolzer Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1977, 16, 10. Oppolzer Helv. Chim. Acta 1980, 63, 1703.

retro-cheletropic cycloaddition followed by Diels-Alder reaction

80%

### T. Saegusa J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 476.

(+)-Estradiol

## K. P. C. Vollhardt and R. Funk J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 5483.

$$\begin{array}{c} \Delta \\ \text{Me}_3\text{Si} \\ \text{Me}_3\text{Si} \\ \text{Me}_3\text{Si} \\ \end{array}$$

(±)-Estra-1,3,5(10)-trien-17-one

K. Vollhardt J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 215.

#### Total Synthesis of Cortisone

R. B. Woodward received the 1965 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for "Contributions to the Art of Organic Synthesis" and the award preceded the total synthesis of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> carried out in collaboration with A. Eschenmoser, the principles of orbital symmetry conservation (Hoffmann Nobel Prize in 1981), the Wilkinson structure determination of ferrocene (Nobel 1973) carried out with Woodward, and the collaborative delineation of the steroidal biosynthesis involving stereoselective cation—olefin cyclizations in collaboration with Bloch (Nobel 1964). Woodward changed synthesis from the application of empirical reactions to a mechanistic foundation for predicting reactions and substrate reactivity (rates, stereoselectivity) and designed this rationale into the preplanned synthesis. The results were stunning with unattainable objectives falling one after another: quinine (1944), patulin (1950), cholesterol (1951), cortisone (1951), lanosterol (1954), lysergic acid (1954), strychnine (1954), reserpine (1956), chlorophyll (1960), tetracyclines (1962), colchicine (1963), cephalosporin C (1966), most before the wide spread usage of <sup>1</sup>H NMR. Breathtaking natural product structure determinations: penicillin (1945), strychnine (1948), patulin (1949), terramycin (1952), aureomycin (1952), cervine (1954), magnamycin (1956), gliotoxin (1958), oleandomycin (1960), streptonigrin (1963), and tetrodotoxin (1964) also preceded the reliance on <sup>1</sup>H NMR. The formal total synthesis of vitamin B<sub>12</sub> was completed in 1972 in collaboration with A. Eschenmoser (>100 postdoctoral fellows) and synthetic cobyric acid was converted to vitamin B<sub>12</sub> in 1976.

R. B. Woodward

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1951, 73, 2403, 3547, 4057.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1952, 74, 4223.

The chemical publication with the most coauthors (49) is the posthumous account of the total synthesis of erythromycin by Woodward (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1981**, *103*, 3210). Physics holds the record with 406 coauthors: *Phys. Rev. Lett.* **1993**, *70*, 2515.

Cortisone

# C. Birch Reduction

Robinson annulationtype product

- Gem dimethyl effect

facilitates cyclization

- See the discussion in the sections on the Birch reduction and the Robinson annulation.
- Allows an aromatic ring to be incorporated into a synthesis and converted into a useful, nonaromatic ring system.

### **D. Dieckmann Condensation**

- An intramolecular Claisen condensation, see enolate section for a more detailed discussion.

# E. Intramolecular Nucleophilic Alkylation

- Powerful approach to closure of rings

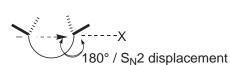
### Examples:

- Kinetic enolate generation (Note: O-alkylation may compete).

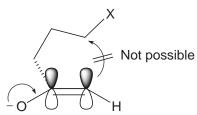
House J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 700.

- Versus thermodynamic enolate generation (Note: O-alkylation may compete).

- Closure subject to stereoelectronic control.



 Note Baldwins Rules
 Preceded by Eschenmoser
 Helv. Chim. Acta 1970, 53, 2059.



- Examples

Gibberelic Acid, Corey

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 1038.

CC-1065, Boger

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 4796.

Duocarmycin SA, Boger

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1992, 114, 10056.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 9025.

Duocarmycin A, Boger

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 2301.

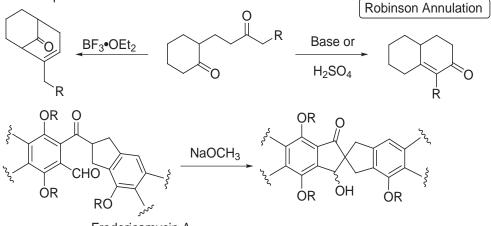
J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 311.

### F. Intramolecular Aldol Condensation

- The intramolecular aldol condensation has been used extensively to close or form rings.

Representative Examples:

- Two aldol closures possible:



Fredericamycin A

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 2115.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 11839.

# **G.** Intramolecular Michael Reaction

Michael J. Prakt. Chem. 1887, 36, 113.

# H. Cation-Olefin Cyclization

### 1. Reviews

Johnson Acc. Chem. Res. 1968, 1, 1.

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1976, 15, 9.

Bioorg. Chem. 1976, 5, 51.

van Tamelen Acc. Chem. Res. 1968, 1, 111.

Harding Bioorg. Chem. 1973, 2, 248.

Goldsmith Fortschr. Chem. Org. Nat. 1972, 29, 363.

Lansbury Acc. Chem. Res. 1972, 5, 311.

Speckamp *Recl. Trav. Chim. Pays-Bas.* **1981**, *100*, 345. Sutherland *Comprehensive Org. Syn.* Vol 3, pp 341–377.

### 2. Representative Cation-Olefin Cyclizations

Money *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1969**, 1196. Goldsmith *J. Org. Chem.* **1970**, 35, 3573.

Money J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1971, 766.

Lansbury J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1966**, 88, 4290. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1970**, 92, 5649. Modern Organic Chemistry The Scripps Research Institute

Marvell J. Org. Chem. 1970, 35, 391.

Baldwin Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 1055.

Bartlett *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1965**, *87*, 1288. Johnson *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1964**, *86*, 5593.

Marshall *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1965**, *87*, 2773. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1966**, *88*, 3408.

Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 2994.

Progesterone total synthesis

Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1970**, 92, 4461. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1980**, 102, 7800.

Ireland J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 3333.

J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 973.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 2568.

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1969**, *91*, 1557. Tetrahedron Lett. **1973**, 3153.

Stork J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1955**, 77, 1072. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1961**, 83, 3114.

Lansbury J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1966**, 88, 4290. J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. **1971**, 1107. Tetrahedron Lett. **1973**, 5017.

$$\begin{array}{c} O \\ N_2 \\ \hline \\ CH_2Cl_2 \end{array}$$
 MeO

Mander *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1971**, 773. Erman *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1971**, 93, 2821.

Hiyama J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 3713.

Ireland J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1974**, 96, 3333. J. Org. Chem. **1975**, 40, 973.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 2568.

Naves *Helv. Chim. Acta* **1964**, *47*, 51. Corey *J. Org. Chem.* **1976**, *41*, 380.

Corey, Boger Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 2461.

Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1967**, 89, 170. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1973**, 95, 2656.

McCurry, Jr. Tetrahedron Lett. 1973, 3325.

Corey, Tius *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 1742. (Aphidicolin) *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 7612. (Stemodinone) *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1982**, *104*, 5551. (K-76)

$$OR$$
  $Tf_2O$   $H$   $OR$ 

Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1987**, *109*, 6187. (Atractyligenin) *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1987**, *109*, 4717. (Cafestol)

#### 3. Background

Squalene cyclization first suggested as a biosynthetic precursor to cholesterol

Heilbron, Kamm, and Owens *J. Chem. Soc.* **1926**, 1630. Robinson *Chem. Ind.* **1934**, *53*, 1062.

J. L. Goldstein and M. S. Brown received the 1985 Nobel Prize in Medicine for their discoveries concerning the regulation of cholesterol metabolism.

- Robinson's proposal

- Correct cyclization scheme

- Lanosterol was proposed in 1953 by Woodward and Bloch.
- Experimental verification that cholesterol is biosynthesized from squalene was developed independently by

Bloch *J. Biol. Chem.* **1953**, *200*, 129. Cornforth *Biochem. J.* **1954**, *58*, 403. *Biochem. J.* **1957**, *65*, 94.

K. Bloch received the 1964 Nobel Prize in Medicine for his discoveries concerning the mechanism and regulation of the cholesterol and fatty acid metabolism.

J. W. Cornforth received the 1975 Nobel Prize in Chemistry jointly with V. Prelog for outstanding intellectual achievement on the stereochemistry of reactions catalyzed by enzymes.

- Stork–Eschenmoser hypothesis: the *trans-anti-trans* stereochemistry of the steroids and many terpenoids is a consequence of a concerted polyene cyclization.

Cyclization about a *trans* olefin

Cyclization about a *cis* olefin

R
H
H
OH
R
R
H
H
OH
OH
OH
OH

- Anti addition of a carbocation and nucleophilic olefin on opposite faces of a  $\pi$ -bond analogous to *trans* electrophilic addition to alkenes. Therefore, cyclization of a *trans* olefin leads to a *trans* ring fusion and cyclization of a *cis* olefin leads to a *cis* ring fusion.

Dammaradienol 8 chiral centers with 256 possible stereoisomers

- Two methyl migrations and two hydride transfers

### 4. Key Publications

- Initial experimental demonstrations of multiple cascade cyclizations and the Stork-Eschenmosher steroid-type cyclizations:

Stork and Burgstahler J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1955, 77, 5068.

Eschenmoser, Ruzicka, Jeger, and Arigoni Helv. Chim. Acta 1955, 38, 1890.

First disclosed in lectures and proposals as early as 1950, but experimental verification was difficult.

- A clear verification of Stork-Eschenmoser hypothesis:

Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1964**, 86, 1959. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1964**, 86, 2085.

### 5. Three Stages of Reaction

- Initiation
- Cyclization and Propagation
- Termination
- Mechanistically all three may take place simultaneously or stepwise paths may be involved.
- Depends on the nature of the substrate and the reaction medium.
- Without careful control, the formation of many products will result in a complex mixture.
- For example: Johnson verification of Stork-Eschenmoser hypothesis.

- Much effort expended to control the reaction through mild, selective and efficient initiation and termination.

#### A. Initiation

### - Alkenes

#### - Alcohols and Derivatives

# tertiary allylic alcohols have been extensively used

### - Epoxides

OAc 
$$BF_3 \bullet OEt_2$$
  $C_6H_6$   $HO$   $Van Tamelen J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1963, 85, 3295.$ 

### - Aldehydes and Ketones

#### - Aldehyde or Ketone Derivatives

$$\begin{array}{c} SnCl_4 \\ \hline C_6H_6 \\ 25 \ ^{\circ}C, \ 5 \ min \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O \\ \hline O \\ O \\ \hline \end{array}$$

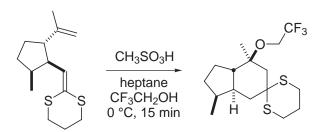
Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 5277; 1974, 96, 3979. Speckamp Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 4047.

Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 257.

# - Carboxylic Acids and Derivatives

Kemp J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1973, 84.

### - Ketene Acetals and Thioacetals



Andersen, Yamamoto Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 4547.

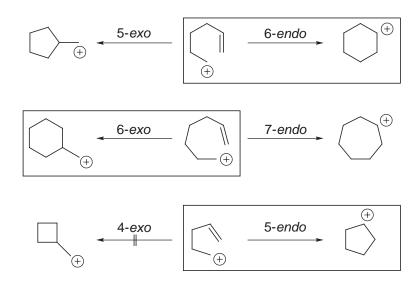
### - $\alpha$ , $\beta$ -Unsaturated Ketones, Esters,.....

50%

Harding Tetrahedron Lett. 1977, 3321.

# B. Cyclization and Propagation

#### a. Alkenes



In the absence of olefin substituent directing effects:

- 5-endo >> 4-exo, the latter violates Baldwin's rules
- 6-endo > 5-exo
- 6-exo > 7-endo

# b. Alkynes

but can further rearrange to 6-endo product

#### c. Allenes

### C. Termination

#### - Alkenes and Arenes

Elimination of H<sup>+</sup> reintroduces double bond or aromatic system. Can result in complex mixture of products.

Allylsilanes can be enlisted to direct the termination.

$$E^{+}$$
  $SiMe_3$   $E^{+}$   $SiMe_3$   $E^{-}$   $SiMe_3$   $E^{-}$   $SiMe_3$   $E^{-}$   $OMe$ 

Fleming J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1976, 182.

Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 6653.

Substitution on alkene can also alter regioselectivity (5-exo vs 6-endo)

#### - Substituted Alkenes

Allows regiocontrol, but need to select substituents that avoid complications with initiation.

### Vinyl chlorides and fluorides

Landsbury Acc. Chem. Res. 1972, 5, 311.

OBs 
$$\begin{array}{c} CH_3CN \\ \hline Et_3N, \Delta \end{array}$$

Felkin J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1968, 60.

### - Acetylenes

Sutherland J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1978, 526.

- Allenes see: Harding J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 993.

### - Organostannanes

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{SnBu}_3 \\ \hline \\ \text{OH} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{TiCl}_4 \\ \hline \\ \text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, 25 \, ^{\circ}\text{C} \\ \hline \\ 72\% \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{SnBu}_3 \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{TiCl}_4 \\ \hline \\ 82\% \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{O} \\ \hline \\ \end{array}$$

Macdonald J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 2113; 1981, 103, 6767.

## 6. Synthesis of Estrone

Bartlett and Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 7501.

### 7. Synthesis of Progesterone

Johnson

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1971, 93, 4332. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 4274.

$$\begin{array}{c} CF_3CO_2H \\ \hline 0 \ ^\circ C, 2 \ h \\ O \\ \hline \end{array}$$
Ilic alcohol for initiation

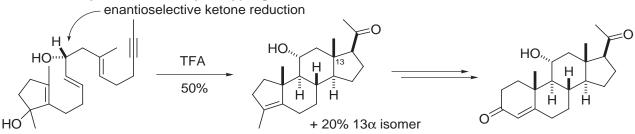
- Tertiary allylic alcohol for initiation
- 5-exo-dig vs. 6-endo-dig

Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 7800.

and only 3.5% cis-α Me epimer

- More recent efforts have reduced this to the synthesis of optically active agents.
- How would you imagine doing this?
- Remember chair-like transition states for the cyclization.

### 8. Enantioselective Synthesis of 11-Hydroxyprogesterone



Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 8341.

# I. Free Radical Cyclizations

### 1. Reviews

Acyloin Condensation: Bloomfield, J. J.; Owsley, D. C.; Nelke, J. M. Org. React. 1976, 23, 259.

McMurry Coupling: McMurry, J. E. Acc. Chem. Res. 1983, 16, 405.

Julia Free Radical Cyclization: Julia, M. Acc. Chem. Res. 1971, 4, 386.

Pure App. Chem. 1967, 15, 167.

#### - General Reviews

Beckwith, A. L. J.; Ingold, K. U. *Rearrangements in Ground State and Excited States*, Vol. 1; de Mayo, P., Ed.; Academic: NY, 1980, pp 182–220.

Beckwith, A. L. J. *Tetrahedron* **1981**, *37*, 3073. (Regioselectivity of ring cyclization)

Giese, B. Radicals in Organic Synthesis: Formation of Carbon-Carbon Bonds, Pergamon: Oxford, 1986.

Symposium-in-print: Tetrahedron 1985, 41, no. 19.

Curran, D. P. Synthesis 1988, 417 and 489.

Hart, D. J. Science 1984, 223, 883.

Ramaiah, M. Tetrahedron 1987, 43, 3541.

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 4, Chapter 4.1 and 4.2, pp 715-831.

Laird, E. R.; Jorgensen, W. L. J. Org. Chem. 1990, 55, 9.

Giese, B. Org. React. 1996, 48, pp 301-856.

### 2. Reductive Coupling of Carbonyl Compounds

#### a. Acyloin Condensation

Sheehan J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1950, 72, 3376.

#### - Mechanism

### b. Rühlmann Modification with Me<sub>3</sub>SiCl

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3\\ \hline\\ \text{Et}_2\text{O}, \, \text{Me}_3\text{SiCI} \end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{OSi}(\text{CH}_3)_3\\ \\ \text{OSi}(\text{CH}_3)_3 \end{array}$$

Bloomfield *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1968**, 591. Ruhlmann *Synthesis* **1971**, 236.

### 3. Reductive Coupling of Ketones and Aldehydes (Pinacol Coupling and McMurry Reaction)

- Low valent Ti reagents used to generate ketyl radicals and chosen to permit generation of either the pinacol or olefin product.

Corey, Danheiser J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 260.

McMurry J. Org. Chem. 1977, 42, 2655.

McMurry J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 1660.

Estrone Synthesis: Ziegler J. Org. Chem. 1982, 47, 5229.

- Other Functional Groups: Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1983, 24, 2821.

### 4. Sml<sub>2</sub> Promoted Reductive Coupling Reactions (Radical Mechanisms)

- Lanthanide chemistry reviews

Molander Chem. Rev. 1992, 92, 29.

Molander in *Chemistry of the Carbon Metal Bond*, Hartley, F. R.; Patai, S., Eds.; Wiley: NY, 1989, Vol. 5 Molander in *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 1, 262.

Kagan New. J. Chem. 1990, 14, 453.

Kagan Tetrahedron 1986, 42, 6573.

Soderquist Aldrichim. Acta 1991, 24, 15.

### a. Ketyl-Olefin Coupling Reactions

- Intermolecular (Only effective for activated olefins)

Inanaga *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1986**, *27*, 5763. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 2837.

Ph 
$$\stackrel{O}{\longrightarrow}$$
 +  $\stackrel{2 \text{ Sml}_2}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{OH}{\longrightarrow}$   $\stackrel{OH}{\longrightarrow}$  Si(CH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>3</sub>  $\stackrel{f}{\longrightarrow}$  BuOH 93%

### - Intramolecular

Enholm J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 6463.

Curran J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 5064.

Molander J. Org. Chem. 1994, 59, 3186.

- Imminium ion generated in situ

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & 2 \text{ Sml}_2 \\ \hline \text{CIO}_4^- & \text{N}_+ \\ \end{array}$$

Martin Tetrahedron Lett. 1988, 29, 6685.

- Hydrazone (5-exo hydrazone >> 5-exo alkene; 6-exo hydrazone > 5-exo alkene)

Fallis J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1994**, 116, 7447. J. Org. Chem. **1994**, 59, 6514.

# - Fragmentation-cyclization

Motherwall Tetrahedron Lett. 1991, 32, 6649.

### b. Alkyl/Aryl Radical Cyclizations

Inanaga Tetrahedron Lett. 1991, 32, 1737.

Molander J. Org. Chem. 1990, 55, 6171.

Curran Synlett 1990, 773.

### c. Pinacol-type Coupling Reactions

- Intermolecular

2 R R' 
$$1.2 \text{ Sml}_2$$
 HO R' OH aldehydes or ketones

Kagan Tetrahedron Lett. 1983, 24, 765.

- Intramolecular

Molander J. Org. Chem. 1988, 53, 2132.

- A recent total synthesis of (–)-Grayanotoxin III incorporated two ketyl–olefin cyclization reactions and a pinacol coupling reaction (Sml<sub>2</sub>-promoted).
- Shirahama J. Org. Chem. 1994, 59, 5532.

### 5. Radical-Olefin Cyclizations

- a. Representative Examples
  - Concurrent with Johnson's investigation of cation-olefin cyclizations, Julia initiated radical-olefin cyclization studies.

### b. Reactivity and Regioselectivity

- Relative rates of addition to PO(OEt)<sub>2</sub>: typical electron-deficient olefin.

	CH <sub>3</sub> •	CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>2</sub> •	CH <sub>3</sub> OCH <sub>2</sub> •	$(CH_3)_2CH$ •	$(CH_3)_3C$ •
$k_{\text{rel}} =$	1	1	2.7	4.8	24

- Alkyl radicals are regarded as nucleophilic.

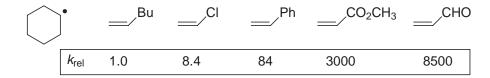
### Steric Effects on Addition Regioselectivity

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olefin	% addition to:		<u>k<sub>rel</sub></u>
	_ Ca	<u>Cb</u>	
a b	>95	<5	1.16
<u>a</u> b	>95	<5	18.4
a b	>95	<5	2×136
a b	50	50	$2 \times 0.50$
	50	50	2 × 0.63
a b			
a b	>95	5	15
a b	<5	>95	13.9

$$C_6H_{11}$$
 +  $CO_2CH_3$   $R = H$   $R = tBu$   $0.24$   $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$ 

β-substitution strongly decelerates intermolecular addition with activated acceptors

Nucleophilic Electrophilic radical acceptor alkene



Note the substantial effect of two geminal vs vicinal electron-withdrawing groups

k<sub>rel</sub> 1.0 (3000) 150 (450000) 5 (15000) 0.01 (30)

( ), relative to 
$$\Longrightarrow$$
 Bu

Note the substantial deceleration of the reaction rate by  $\beta$ -substitution (100×)

Electrophilic radical

Nucleophilic acceptor alkene

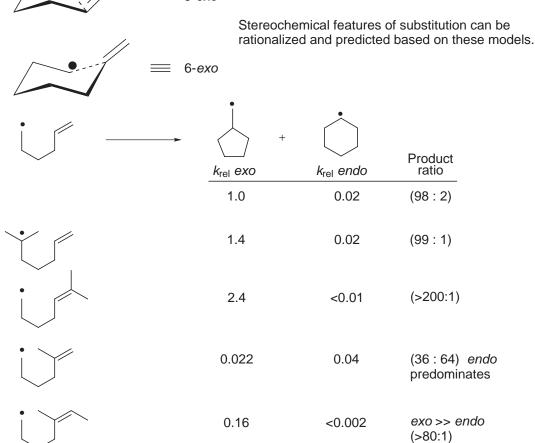
### c. Cyclization Rates, Regioselectivity, and Diastereoselectivity

Beckwith J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1974, 472. Beckwith J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1980, 484.

- Chair-like transition state subject to stereoelectronic and kinetic control rather than thermodynamic control.



Stereochemical features of substitution can be



### - Linker chain effects

$$X = CH_{2}$$

$$X = CH_{2}$$

$$X = O$$

$$38.6$$

$$R = H$$

$$R = CH_{3}$$

- Stabilized radicals participate in reversible cyclizations and the thermodynamic product is observed.

$$CO_2Et$$
 $CO_2Et$ 
 $CO_2Et$ 

- Alkynyl radicals give 5-exo closure (stereoelectronic) even with stabilized radicals.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} R & & & \\ \hline CN & & & \\ \hline CO_2Et & & & \\ \end{array}$$

Note effect of additional sp<sup>2</sup> centers in the linking chain: 5-exo closure takes precedence over the overall stability of the resulting free radical.
 1° vs 3°

- Closure onto carbonyls possible

more stable

- Macrocyclizations are very facile

Porter J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 4976.

### d. Initiator Groups

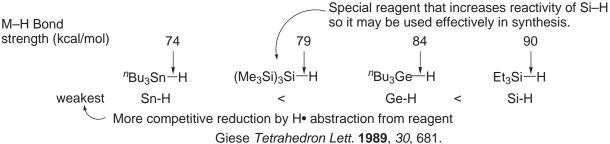
R-OH

$$R = SR$$
, OR, SeR

 $R = SR$ , OR, SeR

 $R = S$ 

#### - Different Initiators



Giese *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, *30*, 681. Ingold *Int. J. Chem. Kinet.* **1969**, *7*, 315.

#### - Initiation Conditions

In situ generation of Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH (catalytic amount of Sn)

$$(Bu_3Sn)_2O + \begin{cases} Ne \\ -Si-O-n \\ H \end{cases}$$
 Bu<sub>3</sub>SnH

PMSH (polymethylsiloxane), readily avaible Green *J. Org. Chem.* **1967**, *32*, 882.

### e. Rearrangements are possible

#### f. Functionalized Free Radicals

review: Chatgilialoglu, Crich, Ryu Chem. Rev. 1999, 99, 1991.

Keck Synlett 1999, 1657.

Boger, acyl radicals

J. Org. Chem. 1988, 53, 3377. Intramolecular

J. Org. Chem. 1989, 54, 1777. Intermolecular

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 4003. Tandem cyclization Israel J. Chem. 1997, 37, 119. Review

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 4008. Macrocyclization

J. Org. Chem. 1990, 55, 5442. Ring expansion

J. Org. Chem. 1992, 57, 1429. Full description

#### - Examples

Note: Alkyl and vinyl radicals are subject to faster reduction. Cyclizations such as the above example or those for the formation of 7-membered rings are not very successful, but acyl radicals are much more stable and not subject to competitive reduction.

### - Tandem Cyclizations

Ph  
PhSe 
$$O_3$$
  $X = CHPh$   
 $> 98\% \ cis$   $X = CHPh$   
 $> 97\% \ cis$   $> 6 : 4 \ cis : trans$ 

## - Cyclization-Addition Reactions

### - Addition-Cyclization Reactions

SePh + 
$$CO_2CH_3$$
  $CO_2CH_3$  2.4 : 1 diastereomers  $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$ 

# - Macrocyclization Reactions

SePh - decarbonylation very slow - reduction very slow - macrocyclization proceeds activated, unsubstituted ring size exceptionally well Ö acceptor alkene 20 57% n = 1516 68% n = 11n = 914 55% n = 712 46% 11 47% n = 6

- Macrocyclization onto activated acceptor is faster than 6-exo, 7-exo or 6-endo closure.
- Competitive with 5-exo closure.

- Rearrangement/Ring Enlargement Cyclization

#### - Applications

Hong, Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2001, 123, 8515.

ent-(-)-Roseophilin

Remarkabley, *ent*-(–)-roseophilin was found to be 10-fold *more* potent than the natural enantiomer in cytotoxic assays. To our knowledge, this is the first example of an unnatural enantiomer of a naturally occurring antitumor agent diaplaying more potent activity although several instances of comparable activity have been disclosed. (+)- and *ent*-(–)-CC-1065:

Kelly J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 6837.

Boger and Coleman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 4796.

Natural and ent-fredericamycin A

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 11839.

Natural and ent-mitomycin C

Fukuyama and Tomasz J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 9388.

Table. In	In vitro cytotoxic activity		
compound	IC <sub>50</sub> (μM)		
Compound	L1210	CCRF-CEM	
ent-(-)-roseophilin	0.02	0.1	
nat-(+)-roseophilin	0.2	1.5	

#### g. A case study comparison of cyclization approaches

Br 
$$SO_2Ph$$
  $Bu_3SnH$   $77\%$   $SO_2Ph$   $BH_3$ • $THF$   $H_2O_2$ 

OH OBn  $SO_2Ph$   $OBn$   $OBn$ 

Boger and Coleman *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1988**, *110*, 1321. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1988**, *110*, 4796.

 A useful comparison series employed in the preparation of analogs of CC-1065 and the duocarmycins (Boger)

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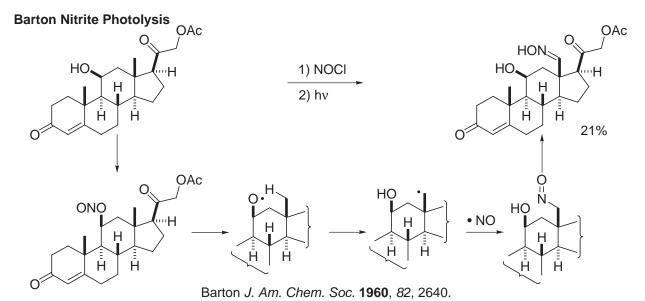
#### h. Further Notable Examples

Corey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1984**, *25*, 5013. For a more successful alternative see Corey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1994**, *35*, 539.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3 \\ \text{N} \\ \text{Hirsutene synthesis} \end{array}$$

Little J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 2744.

#### i. Selected Notable Free Radical Reactions



This process was used to produce 60 g of aldosterone at a time the world supply was in mg quantities. The aldosterone synthesis ("a good problem") was achieved in 1961 by J. M. Beaton ("a good experimentalist") through a nitrite photolysis ("a good idea"), quotes from D. H. R. Barton, 1991 ACS autobiography.

#### **Barton Decarboxylation**

Barton J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1983, 939.

CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>14</sub>COCI 
$$\xrightarrow{\text{NaON}}$$
 CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>14</sub>CO-N  $\xrightarrow{\text{NSPh}}$  CH<sub>3</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>14</sub>SPh 74% Barton Tetrahedron Lett. **1984**, 25, 5777.

Barton Tetrahedron Lett. 1985, 26, 5939.

Barton, McCombie J. Chem. Soc., Perkin 1

**1975**, 1574.

### **Barton–McCombie Deoxygenation**

#### **Hunsdiecker Reaction**

R-CO<sub>2</sub>Ag 
$$\xrightarrow{Br_2}$$
 R-Br  $\xrightarrow{Br}$   $\xrightarrow{O}$   $\xrightarrow{-CO_2}$  R $\stackrel{\bullet}{R}$  Hunsdiecker, H.; Hunsdiecker, C. Ber. 1942, 75, 291.

Wiberg Acc. Chem. Res. 1984, 17, 379.

#### **Kochi Reaction**

### **Bergman Cyclization**

Bergman J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1972**, 94, 660. Acc. Chem. Res. **1973**, 6, 25.

Calicheamicin and esperamicin derive their biological properties through DNA binding and trisulfide cleavage which initiates a reaction cascade which culminates in a Bergman cyclization which results in DNA H-atom abstraction and DNA cleavage.

Ellestad *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1987**, *109*, 3466. Nicolaou *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1991**, *30*, 1387.

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ O \\ HO \\ NHCO_2Me \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{calicheamicin} \\ \text{esperamicin} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} R = OH \\ R = MeO \\ NH \end{array} \begin{array}{c} OMe \\ HO \\ NH \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O\\ MeO \\ O \end{array}$$

### **Myers Cyclization**

Myers J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 7212; 1992, 114, 9369.

Neocarzinostatin is activated for DNA cleavage by thiol addition generating the reactive enyne allene.

neocarzinostatin chromophore

## J. Anionic Cyclizations

$$Li$$
 stable at -78 °C  $t_{1/2}$  = 5.5 min at 25 °C

Bailey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1992, 114, 8053.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 5720.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1987, 109, 2442.

Intramolecular carbometalation, review: *Comprehensive Org. Syn.,* Vol. 4, 871.

Stereochemistry and comparison with radical cyclizations: Cooke J. Org. Chem. 1992, 57, 1495.

Br 1) 2.2 equiv BuLi 2) (-)-sparteine 3) 
$$E^+$$
 (H<sup>+</sup>)  $E^+$   $E^+$ 

Bailey J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2000**, 122, 6787. Groth J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2000**, 122, 6789.

Funk J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 7023.

Synthetic aspects of magnesium (Grignard) carbometalation have been studied in detail. For a review see: Oppolzer *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1989**, *28*, 38.

1) Mg powder 2) 60 °C, 23 h OH 
$$\frac{1}{H}$$
 OH  $\frac{1}{3}$  OH  $\frac{1}{H}$  OH  $\frac{1}{3}$  OH  $\frac{1}{H}$  OH  $\frac{1}{3}$  OH  $\frac{1}{H}$  OH  $\frac{1}{3}$  OH  $\frac{1}{1}$  Mg powder  $\frac{1}{2}$  25 °C, 20 h  $\frac{1}{1}$  Mg powder  $\frac{1}{2}$  25 °C, 20 h  $\frac{1}{1}$  OH  $\frac{1}{3}$  OH  $\frac{1}{$ 

Oppolzer Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 4669.

## K. 1,3-Dipolar Cycloadditions

Review: 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition Chemistry, Padwa, A., Ed., Wiley: New York, 1984.

- $2\pi^{s}$  +  $4\pi^{s}$  Cycloaddition
- Subject to FMO control: can predict regioselectivity and reactivity.

#### - FMO Control:

- (a) Reactivity:  $\Delta E$  (HOMO/LUMO) and the reactivity of the system is related to the magnitude of the smallest energy gap of the pair of HOMO–LUMO combinations.
- (b) Regioselectivity: depends on the magnitude of the orbital coefficients and is determined by the orbital coefficients on the predominant HOMO–LUMO interaction. The largest coefficient on the 1,3-dipole binds to the largest coefficient on the dipolarophile.
- (c) Diastereoselectivity: influenced by stabilizing secondary orbital interactions and subject to an *endo* effect.
- (d) Olefin geometry is maintained in the course of the cycloaddition reaction, they are concerted reactions.
- (e) No solvent effect on the reaction rate: concerted reactions.
- (f) No rearrangement products from postulated zwitterion or biradical.
- (g) *Trans*-1,2-disubstituted olefins react faster than *cis*-1,2-disubstituted olefins. *Cis* olefins are generally more reactive than *trans* olefins in ionic or radical addition reactions.

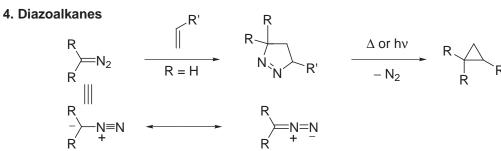
#### 1. Azomethine Ylides

#### 2. Azomethine Imines

#### 3. Nitrones

- Symmetrical precursor or a precusor with one adjacent oxidizable center.

- The regioselectivity depends on X and the substitution pattern of the nitrone.
- Review: Confalone Org. React. 1988, 36, 1.



Fukuyama J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 8303.

Mitomycins

### 6. Nitrile Oxides

### 7. O<sub>3</sub> / Carbonyl Oxides

### 8. Nitrile Ylides

$$Ar - C = N - Ar'$$

$$Ar - C = N$$

### 9. Carbonyl Ylides

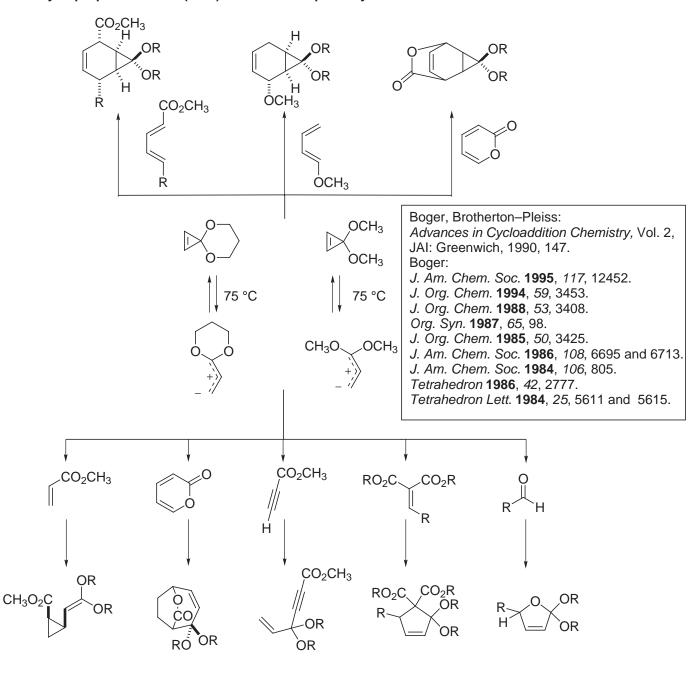
- problem: collapse of the carbonyl ylide to the epoxide

#### 10. Methylene Cyclopropanone Ketals

Nakamura *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 7285. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1991**, *113*, 3183.

Key: reversible ring opening generation of the  $4\pi$  component

### 11. Cyclopropenone Ketal (CPK) Diels-Alder/Dipolar Cycloadditions



## L. 1,3-Sigmatropic Rearrangement

### 1. Vinylcyclobutane rearrangement

Overberger J. Am. Chem. Soc 1960, 82, 1007.

$$H_3C$$
 $NCH_3$ 
 $H_3C$ 
 $OCH_3$ 
 $OCH_3$ 

Bauld J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 8111.

Sano Chem. Pharm. Bull. 1992, 40, 873.

### 2. Vinylcyclopropane rearrangement

First report: Neureiter *J. Org. Chem.* **1959**, *24*, 2044. Review: Hudlicky *Chem. Rev.* **1989**, *89*, 165.

Org. React. 1985 33, 247.

#### Mechanism:

Paquette Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 263.

Davies Tetrahedron Lett. 1992, 33, 453.

Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 248.

Harvey Tetrahedron Lett. 1991, 32, 2871.

Wood, Smith J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1992, 114, 10075.

### 3. Carbonyl/Imine cyclopropane rearrangement

Stevens J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 5580.

Boger, Garbaccio J. Org. Chem. 1997, 62, 8875.

Note: The di- $\pi$ -methane rearrangement produces substrates that may be used in the vinylcyclopropane rearrangement.

Zimmerman, Grunewald *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1966**, *88*, 183. Zimmerman *Chem. Rev.* **1973**, *73*, 531; **1996**, *96*, 3065.

# M. Electrocyclic Reactions Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 699. C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>17</sub> Calciferol (Vitamin D) C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>17</sub> $\Delta$ , <100 °C 1,7 H-shift HO C<sub>8</sub>H<sub>17</sub> HO' Lumisterol Ergosterol hν hν HO Precalciferol (Previtamin D) heat 100-200 °C disrotatory ring closure 6π e<sup>-</sup> Havinga Tetrahedron 1960, 11, 276. Pyrocalciferol Isopyrocalciferol Tetrahedron 1961, 12, 146. Provided the impetus for the Woodward-Hoffmann rules Endiandric Acids CO<sub>2</sub>R CO<sub>2</sub>R

Total Synthesis of  $8\pi e^ 2\pi^{S} + 4\pi^{S}$ conrotatory Diels-Alder reaction closure Ρ̈́h  $6\pi e^$ disrotatory Ph closure CO<sub>2</sub>R

Nicolaou J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 5555, 5557, 5558 and 5560.

## N. Nazarov Cyclization

 $4\pi$  e<sup>-</sup> Conrotatory electrocyclic ring closure

Review: Santelli-Rouvier, C.; Santelli, M. Synthesis 1983, 4295. Nazarov Usp. Khim. 1949, 18, 377.; Usp. Khim. 1951, 20, 71. Denmark Org. React. 1994, 45, 1-158.

Denmark Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, pp 751-784.

Nazarov Chem. Abstr. 1948, 42, 7731a, 7731h, 7732g, 7733e, 7734a, 7734.

Braude J. Chem. Soc. 1953, 2202.

- Silicon-directed Nazarov cyclization.

Denmark J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 2642.

Eaton J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 2238.

- Extensions to annulation procedures.

Raphael J. Chem. Soc. **1953**, 2247. J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 **1976**, 410. - Stereochemical course of the reaction: via Nazarov cyclization.

Hiyama J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1979**, 101, 1599. Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn. **1981**, 54, 2747.

- Lewis acid-catalyzed reactions.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{H} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{H} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{MeO}_2\text{C} \\ \text{MeO}_2$$

Tsuge Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn. 1987, 60, 325.

- Tin-directed Nazarov cyclization.

Johnson Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 5947.

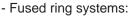
## O. Divinylcyclopropane Rearrangement

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 971. Org. React. **1992**, *41*, 1.

$$(2\sigma^{s} + 2\pi^{s} + 2\pi^{s})$$
- Mechanism:

- Synthesis of functionalized 7-membered rings:

Marino J. Org. Chem. 1981, 46, 1912.



OEt Li 
$$\alpha,\beta$$
-unsaturated enone  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated enone  $\alpha$ -unsaturated en

Wender J. Org. Chem. 1976, 41, 3490.

## P. Carbene Cycloaddition to Alkenes

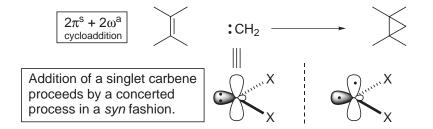
#### 1. Halocabenes

Parman, Schweizer Org. React. 1963, 13, 55.

Moss Acc. Chem. Res. 1989, 22, 15.

Acc. Chem. Res. 1980, 13, 58.

Kostikov, Molchanov, Khlebnikov Russ. Chem. Rev. 1989, 58, 654.



Triplet carbene behaves as a diradical.

- Methods for generating halocarbenes:

For a comprehensive list see: Kirmse Carbene Chemistry, 1971, 313.

- Reaction with alkenes:

Doering J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1956, 78, 5447.

- Reaction with aromatic C=C bonds (cyclopropanation followed by rearrangement):

Parman, Schweizer J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 603.

Closs, Schwartz J. Org. Chem. 1961, 26, 2609.

#### 2. Simmons-Smith Reaction

Simmons *Org. React.* **1973**, *20*, 1. Simmons, Smith *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1958**, *80*, 5323; **1959**, *81*, 4256.

+ 
$$CH_2I_2$$
 +  $Zn(Cu)$  +  $ZnI_2$  +  $Cu$ 

- Mechanism:

- 1) concerted mechanism likely (above)
- 2) reaction is stereospecifically syn
- 3) alkenes with higher alkyl substitution react faster
- 4) electron donating substituents accelerate reaction i.e., enol ethers, enamines...
- Addition can be directed by a hydroxyl group or ether functionality:

Rickborn J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1968**, *90*, 6406. J. Org. Chem. **1972**, *37*, 738.

### - Examples:

Shen Chem. Abstr. 1967, 67, 108559m.

Wenkert, Berges J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1967, 89, 2507.

### 3. Diazocarbene Addition and Rearrangement

Review: Burke and Grieco Org. React. 1979, 26, 361.

### 4. Metal Carbene Cycloaddition Reactions

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 1065.

- Three-membered ring [2 + 1]

Bookhart, Studabaker *Chem. Rev.* **1987**, *87*, 411. Doyle *Chem. Rev.* **1986**, *86*, 919.

E. O. Fischer received the 1973 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work in organometallic chemistry with transition metal complexes including metallocenes and his stabilized carbene complexes.

Reaction works well for electron-rich, electron-poor and unactivated C=C bonds.

$$(CO)_5Cr$$

Ph

OEt

Neat, 50 °C

100 atm CO

61%

Ph

OMe

+

OEt

(76: 24)

Ph

OMe

(CO)\_5Cr

Ph

OMe

Ph

OMe

(To : 24)

OEt

(To : 24)

Fischer, Dötz Chem. Ber. **1972**, 105, 3966. Chem. Ber. **1972**, 105, 1356.

- Four-membered rings [2 + 1 + 1]

(CO)<sub>5</sub>Cr 
$$\stackrel{OMe}{+}$$
  $\stackrel{hv}{R^1}$   $\stackrel{O}{R^2}$   $\stackrel{hv}{CH_3CN}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^1}$   $\stackrel{R^1 = H, R^2 = OEt, 85\%}{R^1 = R^2 = Me, 61\%}$   $\stackrel{R^1 = H, R^2 = OEt, 85\%}{R^1 = H, R^2 = Ph, 30\%}$   $\stackrel{(CO)_5Cr}{Cr}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{O}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^1}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^2}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^1}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^2}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^1}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^2}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^1}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^2}$   $\stackrel{OMe}{R^2}$ 

- Fischer carbene addition to alkynes typically leads to 6-membered ring , 4- and 5-membered rings form only under special circumstances.

$$(CO)_5Cr$$

Ph

 $CO_2Et$ 
 $CO_2Et$ 

Yamashita Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 3471.

OMe

(CO)<sub>5</sub>W

Ph

100 °C

toluene
90%

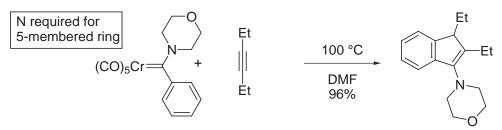
OMe

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Foly J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 3064.



Yamashita Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 5915.

- Six-membered rings [3 + 2 + 1] (Fischer carbene addition to alkynes)

Dötz, Fischer Transition Metal Carbene Complexes, VCH: Deerfield Beach, FL, 1983.

Dötz Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1984, 23, 587.

Casey in *Transition Metal Organometallics in Organic Synthesis*, Academic Press: New York, 1976, Vol. 1. Dötz *Pure Appl. Chem.* **1983**, *55*, 1689.

Casey in Reactive Intermediates, Wiley Interscience: New York, 1982, Vol. 2, and 1985, Vol. 3.

Hegedus *Principles and Applications of Organotransition Metal Chemistry*, University Science Books: Mill Valley, CA, 1987, 783.

Brown Prog. Inorg. Chem. 1980, 27, 1.

Wulff in Advances in Metal-Organic Chemistry, JAI Press: Greenwich, CT, 1989, Vol. 1.

#### - General scheme

- Most widely studied after cyclopropanation of Fischer carbenes. Extensively applied in natural product synthesis. Examples:

Wulff in Advances in Metal-Organic Chemistry, JAI Press: Greenwich, CT, 1989, Vol. 1.

Wulff Tetrahedron 1985, 41, 5797.

$$(CO)_4Cr$$
 +  $85\,^{\circ}C$   $CO_2Me$  Sphondin and  $CO_2Me$  Angelicin

Wulff J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 7419.

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 11839.

J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 2115.

J. Org. Chem. 1990, 55, 1919.

## Q. [2 + 3] Cycloadditions for 5-Membered Ring Formation

Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 239.

1. 
$$(2\pi + 2\pi)$$

- Noyori reaction: J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 1772.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 2722.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 5196.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 1793.

Noyori Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 493.

- Intramolecular version: Yamamoto J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 220.

- Reviews: *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1979**, *12*, 61. *Org. React.* **1983**, *29*, 163.

$$CI$$
 +  $ZnCI_2$ ,  $HCI$   $CH_2CI_2$   $70\%$ 

Mayr Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1981, 20, 1027.

### 2. $(2\pi + 4\pi)$

Kauffman Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1972, 11, 292.

#### - Trost trimethylenemethane equivalent:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1979**, 101, 6429. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1983**, 105, 2315.

Stepwise mechanism:

### Related equivalents:

1,4-addition of allylsilane: Knapp Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 4557.

$$SO_2Ph$$
 +  $Et_2O$   $SO_2Ph$   $Bu_4NF$   $OH$   $OH$ 

Trost J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 5680.

$$CO_2Me$$
 +  $MeO_2C$   $O$ 

Nakamura *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 7285. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1991**, *113*, 3183.

## R. Cyclopropenone Ketal Cycloadditions

Review: Boger Adv. Cycloaddition Chem., JAI Press: Greenwich, CT, Vol. 2, 1990, pp 147–219.

### 1. [2 + 1] Cycloaddition

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 6695.

- Carbene addition: 
$$2\pi^{\rm S} + 2\omega^{\rm a}$$
 suprafacial antarafacial H H H OME H OME

- Carbene angle of attack: Jorgensen J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1989, 111, 1919.

### 2. [3 + 2] Cycloaddition

- Substrates that contain two geminal electron-withdrawing groups.

[4 + 2] Tetrahedron 1986, 42, 2777.

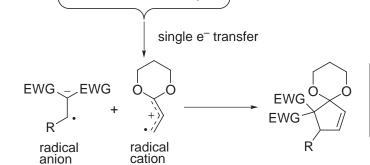
[1 + 2] Tetrahedron Lett. 1984, 25, 5611.

[3 + 4] J. Org. Chem. 1985, 50, 3425. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 6713. (total synthesis of Colchicine)

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1984, 106, 805.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 6695. J. Org. Chem. 1988, 53, 3408.

Advances in Cycloaddition Chemistry Vol. 2, JAI: Greenwich, CT, 1990, pp 147-219.



Note: For substrates that may react via this pathway (e-transfer), [3+2] > [1+2], [4+2], or [3+4]cycloadditions

- 1. Solvent independent rate.
- 2. No addition-elimination or addition-rearrangement products.
- 3. No inhibition by free radical traps.
- 4. Putative carbene addition product (a cyclopropane ketene acetal) does not undergo vinylcyclopropane rearrangement to the product.
- 5. Little or no loss of olefin stereochemistry and this diastereospecific nature of the reaction increases, not decreases, in polar solvents.

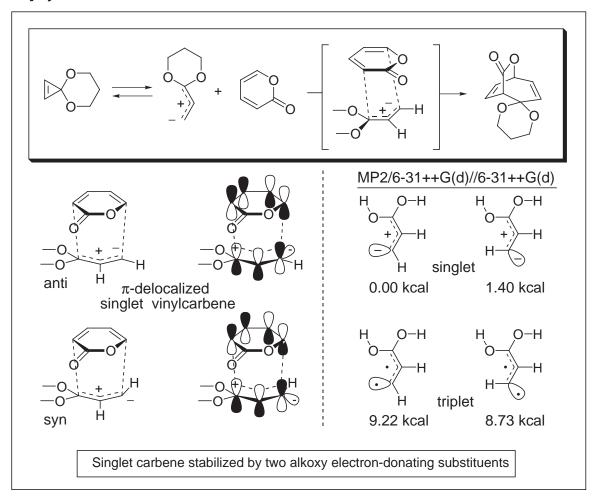
carbinyl radical rearrangement.

-  $(2\pi^{s} + 2\pi^{a})$  Cycloaddition

MeO 
$$\frac{1}{H}$$
 H  $\frac{1}{H}$   $\frac{1}{H}$ 

Used as an antiriot agent, the tear gas CS, named after its two developers B. Corson and R. Stoughton who introduced it in 1928, causes pain and burning in the eyes and skin within seconds. It acts as a sulfhydryl alkylating agent resulting in a copious flow of tears, coughing, sneezing, chest tightening, and dizziness which subside within 30 min. No carcinogenic activity was found in mice exposed to CS for up to 2 years.

#### 3. [4 + 3] Cycloaddition



-  $2\pi^{S}$  +  $4\pi^{S}$  Cycloaddition or Diels-Alder reaction but via a  $2\pi$  three carbon dienophile.

### 4. [4 + 2] Cycloaddition (standard Diels-Alder reaction)

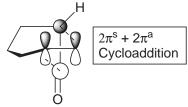
Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1995, 117, 12452.

## S. [2 + 2] Cycloadditions

### 1. Ketene [2 + 2] cycloadditions

Org. React. 1995, 45, 159.

Baldwin J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1972, 1337.



Hermann Staudinger, noted for his pioneering studies of ketenes, received the 1953 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his pioneering work in macromolecular chemistry.

### 2. Photochemical [2 + 2] cycloaddition

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 123. Org. React. 1993, 44, 297.

Cargill Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 4465.

Ronald Norrish received the 1967 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his work on photochemistry and flash photolysis. The latter was developed with George Porter with whom he shared the 1967 Nobel Prize and is used for the production and spectroscopic determination of short-lived reaction intermediates.

Norrish Type I Fragmentation Reaction

Norrish Type II Reaction

Norrish Trans. Faraday Soc. 1937, 33, 1521.

Pirrung J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 7130. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 82.

C. R. Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 7667.

ÇHO

- Ene reaction:

Wender Tetrahedron Lett. 1982, 23, 1871.

- Note regioselectivity:

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1964, 86, 5570.

#### 3. Paterno-Buchi Reaction

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 151.

Dermuth Synthesis 1989, 152.

First studied in detail by Buchi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1954, 76, 4327.

-Addition to enol ether occurs with only moderate selectivity ...

Schroeten J. Org. Chem. 1969, 34, 1181.

... while addition of the carbonyl to a furan occurs with high selectivity.

Schenk Chem. Ber. 1963, 96, 498.

- Intramolecular variant:

Carless J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1984, 667.

Aoyoma J. Org. Chem. **1984**, 49, 396. Pattenden J. Chem. Soc., Chem Commun. **1980**, 1195. J. Chem. Soc., Chem Commun. **1979**, 235.

## T. Arene-Olefin Photoadditions

- Discovery in 1966: Wilzbach *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1966**, *88*, 2066. Bryce–Smith *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1966**, 512.

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 645.

Wender J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 688.

Wender Tetrahedron 1981, 37, 4445.

Wender J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 5805.

### **U.** Intramolecular Ene Reaction

Review: H. M. R. Hoffmann *Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng.* **1969**, *8*, 556. *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 5, 9.

- First systematic study by Alder:

Alder Chem. Ber. 1943, 76, 27.

- First intramolecular versions: review: Oppolzer Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1978, 17, 476.

$$\Delta$$
 OH

Treibs, Schmidt Chem. Ber. 1927, 60, 2335.

$$CO_2Me$$
  $300 \, ^{\circ}C$   $CO_2Me$   $65\%$   $CO_2Me$   $CO_2Me$ 

Smith J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 2071.

Overman Tetrahedron Lett. 1985, 35, 4167.

Note the Sharpless mechanism for SeO<sub>2</sub> oxidation of olefins: allylic oxidation involves an ene reaction.

Sharpless J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1972**, 94, 7154. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1973**, 95, 7917.

#### Chugaev (Tschugaeff) Reaction

#### syn elimination

RCH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>OH 
$$\frac{1) \text{ NaOH, CS}_2}{2) \text{ CH}_3 \text{I}}$$
  $\stackrel{\text{R}}{\text{SMe}}$   $\frac{1}{100-250 \text{ °C}}$   $\stackrel{\text{R}}{\text{SMe}}$ 

Tschugaeff *Ber.* **1899**, *32*, 3332. Review: Nace *Org. React.* **1962**, *12*, 57. DePuy *Chem. Rev.* **1960**, *60*, 431.

#### Amine Oxide Elimination (Cope Elimination)

Org. React. **1960**, *11*, 361. Org. Syn. **1963**, *4*. 612.

Cope J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1954**, 81, 2799. Zutter J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1986**, 108, 1039.

Me<sub>2</sub>
N
+ O
- 90%

Cope J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1949, 71, 3929.

### Sulfoxide Elimination

Trost Chem. Rev. 1978, 78, 363. Acc. Chem. Res. 1977, 11, 453. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 6840. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 4887. Ziegler *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1984**, *106*, 721. Schreiber *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1984**, *106*, 4038. Agosta *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1986**, *108*, 3385.

Boger, Mullican *J. Org. Chem.* **1980**, *45*, 5002. *J. Org. Chem.* **1984**, *49*, 4045.

#### - Selenoxide Elimination

Clive *Tetrahedron* **1978**, *34*, 1049. Reich *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1979**, *12*, 22.

## V. Oxy-Ene Reaction: Conia Reaction

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 20. Review: J. M. Conia Synthesis 1975, 1.

Conia Tetrahedron Lett. 1965, 3305, 3319.

Conia Bull. Chim. Soc., Fr. 1969, 818.

tandem Conia reactions: Conia Tetrahedron Lett. 1974, 2931.

## W. Cyclopentenone Annulation Methodology

Wacker oxidation, review:Tsuji *Synthesis* **1984**, 369. Wayner *J. Org. Chem.* **1990**, *55*, 2924.

McMurry J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 1330.

Piers Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 3279. Altenbach Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1979, 18, 940.

### - Flemming-Greene Annulation:

Loganin: Flemming *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1977**, 81. Hirsutene: Greene *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1980**, 3059. Hirsutic Acid: Greene *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1983**, *105*, 2435.

Danheiser J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1981**, 103, 1604. *Tetrahedron* **1983**, 39, 935.

### - Cyclopropylphosphonium salts:

Fuchs J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 1607.

### - β-Vetivone synthesis:

Dauben J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 1622.

Burgstahler, Boger Tetrahedron 1976, 32, 309.

### - Benzothiazoles as carbonyl equivalents:

Corey, Boger Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 5, 9, 13 and 4597.

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Piers Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 35, 8573.

- Additional reviews: Denmark *Org. React.* **1994**, *45*, 1. Hudlicky *Chem. Rev.* **1989**, *89*, 1467. Sehore *Chem. Rev.* **1988**, *88*, 1085. Ramarah *Synthesis* **1984**, 529.

### X. Pauson-Khand Reaction

[2 + 2 + 1]

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, pp 1037-1064.

Org. React. 1991, 40, 1.

Pauson Tetrahedron 1978, 41, 5855.

Schore Chem. Rev. 1988, 88, 1081.

Brummond Tetrahedron 2000, 56, 3263.

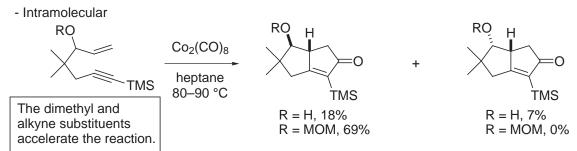
First detailed study: Khand J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1973, 977.

- 1. Regio- and stereochemistry are controlled by steric factors.
- 2. Complexation of alkene and insertion into Co-C bond occurs from less hindered face.
- 3. Insertion of the alkene carbon bearing the largest allylic substituent to form the first C–C bond occurs at the alkyne carbon bearing the smallest substituent.
- 4. Subsequent CO insertion occurs next to the largest alkyne substituent.
- 5. Reductive elimination followed by decomplexation gives the final product.

#### - Intermolecular:

Schore J. Org. Chem. 1987, 52, 3595.

entry into guaianolide and pseudoguaianolide natural products



Magnus J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 2477.

Schore J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 5224.

Serratosa *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1985**, *26*, 2475. *Tetrahedron* **1986**, *42*, 1831.

Brummond J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 4915.

#### -Heterosubstituted systems:

Schreiber J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1986, 108, 3128.

Smith Tetrahedron Lett. 1986, 27, 1241.

# Y. Carbonylation Cyclizations

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 4, 1015. Alper Acc. Chem. Res. **1995**, 28, 414.

#### - Pd mediated carbonylation

R1 CO<sub>2</sub>Me PdCl<sub>2</sub>(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>2</sub> 
$$Et_3N$$
, CO MeOH (catalytic)  $R^2$   $R^1$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^2$   $R^3$   $R^4$   $R^2$   $R^4$   $R^4$   $R^2$   $R^4$   $R^4$ 

Negishi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 8289.

#### - Formation of lactones

Norton J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 7520.

#### - Formation of amides

Heck J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 2667.

Mori J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 1684.

#### - Alternative carbonylation method: Hydroboration/Carbonylation

Brown, Negishi *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1967**, 594. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1967**, 89, 5477.

# Z. Olefin Ring Closing Metathesis

Grubbs Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 1115.

Acc. Chem. Res. **1995**, 28, 446. Tetrahedron **1998**, *54*, 4413.

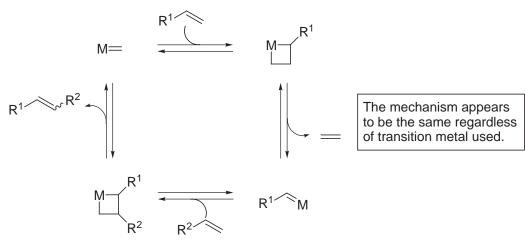
Schrock J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 3875 and 8378.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1991, 113, 6899.

K. Ziegler and G. Natta shared the 1963 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for their discovery and development of transition metal catalyzed preparation of polyethylene and stereoregular polymers including polypropylene.

#### -General concept:

#### - Mechanism:



Grubbs Comprehensive Organometallic Chem., Vol. 8, 1982, 499. Sehrer J. Sci. Ind. Res. 1983, 42, 250.

#### - Defined Catalysts

- 1. Early catalysts were poorly defined and incompatible with basic functionality.
- Development of well-defined catalysts lead to high catalytic activity and compatibility with a wide variety of funtionalities.
- 3. Catalysts are based on variety of transition metals including: Mo, Ru, W, Re, Ti and Ta.
- 4. The mechanism appears the same for all transition metals.
- 5. The most widely used catalysts are:

$$(CF_3)_2 MeCO$$

#### - Applications to organic synthesis

Review: Phillips, Abell Aldrichim. Acta 1999, 32, 75.

Ring closing metathesis is rapidly becoming one of the more powerful methods for preparing medium and large rings.

Modern use of ring closing metathesis traced back to:

$$M=CHR$$

$$X = 0, NR, CHR$$

$$n = 1, 2, 3$$

Grubbs, R. H.; Fu, G. C. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, *114*, 5426, 7324. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, *115*, 3800.

#### Recent examples:

Crimmins J. Org. Chem. **1996**, 61, 4192. Jacobsen J. Org. Chem. **1996**, 61, 7963.

Clark, Kettle Tetrahedron Lett. 1997, 38, 123 and 127.

Hoveyda J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1995**, 117, 2943. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1996**, 118, 10926.

- Danishefsky, Nicolaou and Schinzer have all prepared Epothilone A using ring closing metathesis as the key cyclization step.

Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 2733. Nicolaou Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1997, 36, 166. Schinzer Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1997, 36, 523.

- Application to ring closing metathesis of enynes:

$$\begin{array}{c} R \\ H \\ \end{array}$$

R = Me: **2** (5 mol%),  $C_6H_6$ , 50 °C, 73% R =  $CO_2Me$ : **3** (4 mol%),  $CH_2CI_2$ , 25 °C, 87% (-)-Stemoamide

Kinoshita, Mori J. Org. Chem. 1996, 61, 8356.

- Application to the synthesis of fused nitrogen heterocycles:

Martin Tetrahedron 1996, 52, 7251.

# XI. Olefin Synthesis

# A. Wittig Reaction

G. Wittig received the 1979 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for "many significant contributions to Organic Chemistry" which included not only the Wittig reaction, but also PhLi prepared by metal—halogen exchange, benzyne, and the Wittig rearrangement.

Reviews: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 1, 755.

Org. React. 1965, 14, 270.

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1964, 3, 250.

*Top. Stereochem.* **1970**, *5*, 1. *Pure. Appl. Chem.* **1979**, *51*, 515.

Chem. Rev. 1989, 89, 863.

#### 1. Formation of Ylides

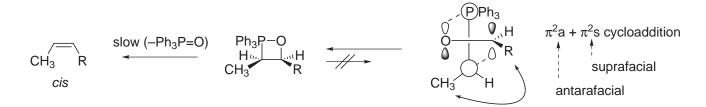
- Unstabilized ylides are sensitive to H<sub>2</sub>O, O<sub>2</sub>

#### 2. Reaction of Ylides with Ketones

Strong bond formation is part of the driving force for the collapse of the oxaphosphetane.

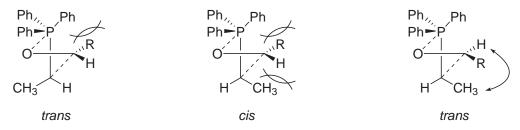
## 3. Mechanism and Stereoselectivity of the Wittig Reaction

- Stereoselectivity increases as the size of the R group increases.
- Accepted mechanism today: irreversible and concerted [2 + 2] cycloaddition.



Orientation such that the R groups on the aldehyde and on the ylide are as far apart as possible.

- The three alternative [2 + 2] cycloaddition transition states suffer destabilizing steric interactions:



Not bad, probably gives rise to *trans* product

- So, the mechanism involves fast, irreversible [2 + 2] cycloaddition (at -78 °C) followed by slow decomposition of oxaphosphetane (frequently requires warming to 0-25 °C).
- Nonpolar solvents facilitate the initial addition.
- Polar solvents facilitate the final elimination reaction.

## 4. Representative Examples

Besterman Chem. Ber. 1976, 109, 1694.

360

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{OTs} \\ \text{H} \\ \text{H} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{OTs} \\ \text{H} \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \text{Ph}_{3}\text{P=CH}_{2} \\ \text{79\%} \end{array}$$

Büchi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1966, 88, 4113.

Corey J. Org. Chem. 1963, 28, 1128.

Woodward J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 6301.

#### - α-oxygenated substrates

- Schlösser modification: allows the preparation of trans vs. cis olefins.

R	$R^1$	% yield	trans:cis
CH <sub>3</sub>	C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub>	70	99:1
C <sub>5</sub> H <sub>11</sub>	$CH_3$	60	96:4
C <sub>3</sub> H <sub>7</sub>	$C_3H_7$	72	98:2
CH <sub>3</sub>	Ph	69	99:1
C <sub>2</sub> H <sub>5</sub>	Ph	72	97:3

Schlösser Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1966, 5, 126.

- β-Oxido Phosphonium Ylide Reaction: adaptation of the Schlösser modification for the stereoselective preparation of trisubstituted allylic alcohols.

Only 2° alkoxide forms oxaphosphetane that eliminates to form the olefin.

Corey, Katzenellenbogen and Posner J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1967, 89, 4245.

Corey and Yamamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 226. Corey and Yamamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 6636.

Corey and Yamamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, 92, 6637.

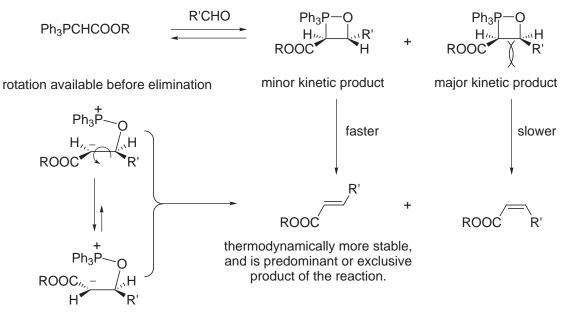
Chiappe Tetrahedron Lett. 1996, 37, 4225.

C. J. Pedersen (DuPont) received the 1987 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his discovery and development of crown ethers.

Jean-Marie Lehn received the 1987 Nobel Prize in Chemistry along with D. J. Cram and C. J. Pedersen for their development and use of molecules with structure-specific interactions of high selectivity.

#### 5. Stabilized Ylides

- Stabilized ylides are solid; stable to storage, not particularly sensitive to moisture, and can even be purified by chromatography.
- Because they are stabilized, they are much less reactive than alkyl ylides. They react well with aldehydes, but only slowly with ketones.
- The first step, involving the addition to the aldehyde, is slow and reversible with stabilized ylides.



- It is also possible that elimination occurs in a stepwise manner via stabilized zwitterionic intermediate that may simply afford the more stable product.
- α-Oxygenated substrates
  - The exception to the generation of *E*-alkenes with stabilized ylides is their reaction with  $\alpha$ -alkoxy aldehydes.

trans (E)-olefin

cis (Z)-olefin!

Krief *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1988**, *29*, 1083. - And, this departure is solvent dependent

Tronchet, Gentile Helv. Chim. Acta 1979, 62, 2091.

- Reaction with esters, lactones, and activated lactams

Tsunoda Tetrahedron Lett. 2000, 41, 235.

## 6. Annulation Applications of the Wittig Reaction

OH a) NaH b) 
$$\stackrel{+}{pPh_3}$$
 OPPh<sub>3</sub> 2 carbon unit  $\stackrel{-}{SH}$   $\stackrel{-}{b}$   $\stackrel{+}{pPh_3}$   $\stackrel{-}{S}$   $\stackrel{-}{PPh_3}$   $\stackrel{-}{S}$   $\stackrel{-}{SO_2}$   $\stackrel{-}{COOEt}$   $\stackrel{+}{PPh_3}$   $\stackrel{-}{NaH}$   $\stackrel$ 

- Homoconjugate addition:

- Modest yields because one electron-withdrawing group is not sufficient to activate the cyclopropane ring to nucleophilic ring opening.

Dauben J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 1622.

# B. Wadsworth-Horner-Emmons Reaction

Horner Chem. Ber. 1958, 91, 61; 1959, 92, 2499.

Wadsworth, Emmons J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 1733.

Reviews:

Org. React. 1977, 25, 73-253.

Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 1, 761.

#### 1. Arbuzov (Michaelis-Arbuzov) Reaction: Preparation of Phosphonate Esters

Arbuzov J. Russ. Phys. Chem. Soc. 1906, 38, 687. Michaelis Ber. 1898, 31, 1048.

(EtO)<sub>3</sub>P: + CI OEt 
$$P-OEt$$
  $P-OEt$   $P-OET$ 

- The same approach to the preparation of  $\beta$ -ketophosphonates is not successful:

$$(RO)_3P$$
 $(RO)_2P$ 
 $R'$ 
 $Perkow reaction$ 
 $P(OR)_2$ 

- But can use variation on Claisen conditions:

P(OEt)<sub>3</sub>

Etl

OEt

EtO-P<sup>±</sup> CH<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>

CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>

CH<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>

Unstable at higher temperatures or under prolonged reaction times.

Can also use:

$$(EtO)_2P$$

CH<sub>3</sub>

CH

# 2. Mechanism and Stereoselectivity

(may or may not be discrete intermediate)

Water soluble (easily removed through aqueous workup)

Good reactions for: 
$$EtO_{P}$$
  $W = CN, COOR, C(O)R, CHO, SO_2Ph, Ph$   
But not  $W = alkyl, H$ 

#### 3. Modifications and Scope

- LiCl/tertiary amines (DBU, Pr2NEt, Et3N)

Masamune, Roush *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1984**, *25*, 2183. Can substitute for conventional conditions and is especially good for base sensitive substrates (epimerization, elimination).

$$CH_3$$
 O O OMTM
$$CH_3$$
 O O OMTM
$$CH_3$$
 CH<sub>3</sub> CN
$$CH_3$$
 CN
$$ROM_{10}$$
Subject to β-elimination
$$ROM_{10}$$

$$CH_3$$
 CN
$$ROM_{10}$$

$$ROM$$

Keck J. Org. Chem. 1989, 54, 896. (thioester was also stable to these conditions)

-Hindered phosphonates and hindered aldehydes increase *E*-selectivity (*trans*).

Kishi Tetrahedron 1981, 37, 3873.

- The use of a nonhindered phosphonate, low temperatures, and a strongly dissociating base (KO<sup>t</sup>Bu) can give increased or high *Z*-selectivity (*cis*).
- Coordinating countercations slow the rate of elimination relative to equilibration.

	Ph CHO CH <sub>3</sub>	Ph CC CH <sub>3</sub> CH <sub>3</sub>	) <sub>2</sub> R +	Ph CH <sub>3</sub> CC <sub>2</sub> R
Stabilized Wittig reagent	Ph <sub>3</sub> P=C(Me)CO <sub>2</sub> Et, CH <sub>2</sub> Cl <sub>2</sub> , 25 °C	95	:	5
	Ph <sub>3</sub> P=C(Me)CO <sub>2</sub> Et, MeOH, 25 °C	85	:	15
Wadsworth–Horner– Emmons reagent	(MeO) <sub>2</sub> POCH(Me)CO <sub>2</sub> Me, KO <sup>t</sup> Bu, THF, -78 °C	5	:	95
	(MeO) <sub>2</sub> POCH(Me)CO <sub>2</sub> Et, KO <sup>t</sup> Bu, THF, –78 °C	10	:	90
	(EtO) <sub>2</sub> POCH(Me)CO <sub>2</sub> Et, KO <sup>t</sup> Bu, THF, –78 °C	40	:	60
	( <sup>i</sup> PrO) <sub>2</sub> POCH(Me)CO <sub>2</sub> Et, KO <sup>t</sup> Bu, THF, –78 °C	90	:	10
	( <sup>i</sup> PrO) <sub>2</sub> POCH(Me)CO <sub>2</sub> <sup>i</sup> Pr, KO <sup>t</sup> Bu, THF, –78 °C	95	:	5

- Still-Gennari modification selective for Z-alkenes (cis):

R'CHO + 
$$(CF_3CH_2O)_2$$
P  $CO_2$ Me  $KHMDS$   $R'$   $CO_2$ Me  $CO_2$ Me  $R = H$ , Me  $Z$  selective  $Z: E > 10:1$ 

Still Tetrahedron Lett. 1983, 24, 4405.

R = Br, Kogen Org. Lett. 2000, 2, 1975. (Trisubstituted olefins via Suzuki or Stille coupling)

OH

CH<sub>3</sub> CO<sub>2</sub>Me (CF<sub>3</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>O)<sub>2</sub>POCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Me CH<sub>3</sub> (EtO)<sub>2</sub>POCH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>Et CH<sub>3</sub> BnO CHO NaH, THF BnO CO<sub>2</sub>Me 84% 11 : 1 
$$Z$$
:  $E$ 

Cinquini Tetrahedron 1987, 43, 2369.

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 4204.

- Additional Z-selective stabilized phosphonates.

$$(PhO)_2P(O)CH_2CO_2Et \qquad RCHO \qquad R \qquad CO_2Et \\ Ando \textit{J. Org. Chem. 1997, 62, 1934.} \qquad (PhO)_2P(O)CH(R')CO_2Et \qquad RCHO \qquad R' \\ Selected diarylphosphonates provide high \textit{Z-selectivity} \\ Ando \textit{J. Org. Chem. 2000, 65, 4745.} \qquad (Nal/DBU vs NaH) \qquad Ando \textit{J. Org. Chem. 1998, 63, 8411.}$$

- Other useful reactions of functionalized phosphonates.

Schreiber J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 5583.

O (MeO)<sub>2</sub>P H OR 
$$R = Me, 58\%$$
 - Synthesis of enol ethers and enamines.  $R = {}^{t}BuOK, ROH$  or  ${}^{t}Pr_{2}NH$   ${}^{t}Pr_{2}NH$   ${}^{t}Pr_{2}$ 

Gilbert Tetrahedron Lett. 1980, 21, 2041, 5003; 1984, 25, 2303. J. Org. Chem. 1983, 48, 448.

# C. Peterson Olefination

Peterson J. Org. Chem. 1968, 33, 780.

J. Org. Chem. 1967, 32, 1717.

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 1464.

Reviews: Org. React. 1990, 38, 1.

#### 1. Nonstabilized Peterson Reagents

- Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>Met, Met = Li, Mg, offer an alternative to Wittig or Tebbe procedures. They are more reactive and sterically less demanding than a Wittig reagent and the volatile byproduct (Me<sub>3</sub>SiOH/ Me<sub>3</sub>SiOSiMe<sub>3</sub>) is simpler to remove than Ph<sub>3</sub>PO. It does, however, require a second step to promote elimination of the  $\beta$ -hydroxysilane.

Danishefsky J. Org. Chem. 1988, 53, 3391.

- TMS eliminates in preference to Ph<sub>3</sub>P or P(O)(OR)<sub>2</sub>:

Peterson. J. Org. Chem. 1968, 33, 780.

Note: this is the origin of its discovery

- Modifications include: Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>MgBr/ TiCl<sub>4</sub> (direct production of olefin), and Me<sub>3</sub>SiCH<sub>2</sub>Li/ CeCl<sub>3</sub> (enolizable ketones and aldehydes, while esters and acid chlorides give allylsilanes via addition 2x).
- The elimination is stereospecific: acid-promoted being anti and base-promoted being syn.

Hudrlik, Peterson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 1464.

- Unstabilized Peterson reagents add to ketones and aldehydes irreversibly with little diastereoselectivity. Therefore, mixtures of *cis* and *trans* olefins are obtained and the reactions are not yet as useful as the Wittig reaction.

#### 2. Stabilized Peterson Reagents

- The stabilized Peterson reagents give predominantly the most stable *trans* olefins (*E*) although this has been studied far less than the Wittig or Wadsworth–Horner–Emmons reactions. The origin of this diastereoselection has not been extensively explored with regard to enolate geometry, reversible/ irreversible addition, or mechanism of elimination. In this case, the elimination takes place under the reaction conditions.

Rathke *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1974**, 1403. Yamamota *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, *96*, 1620.

- Both single step and two-step elimination via an equilibration have been proposed.
- Additional examples:

Corey, Weigel, Chamberlin, Lipshutz *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 1439. Corey, Enders, Bock *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 3 and 7.

Corey and Boger Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 5.

# D. The Tebbe Reaction and Related Titanium-stabilized Methylenations

reviews: Org. React. **1993**, 43, 1. Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 1, 743.

- The Wittig, Wadsworth–Horner–Emmons, and Peterson olefination do not convert esters or amides to the corresponding olefin, but rather fail to react or result in the cleavage of the ester or amide bond.
- Schrock discovered that Ta and Nb *tert*-butyl alkylidene complexes behave analogous to phosphorous ylides and, notably, react with esters and amides to provide the corresponding <sup>f</sup>butylalkenes.

Schrock J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 5399.

- The Tebbe reagent was introduced in 1978 and was shown to react with aldehydes, ketones, esters, and lactones to produce the methylene derivatives.

$$X = H, R, OR, NR_2$$

Cp<sub>2</sub>Ti  $AlMe_2$ 

Tebbe reagent

Tebbe J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 3611.

- Tolerates ketal and alkene derivatives.

Scope defined by Evans and Grubbs *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 3270. Extended to tertiary amides by Pine *J. Org. Chem.* **1985**, *50*, 1212.

For an analogous use of Cp<sub>2</sub>TiMe<sub>2</sub>: Petasis *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 6392.

# E. Representative Other Methods for Terminal Methylene Formation

Reagents

R<sub>2</sub>CO, CH<sub>2</sub>CI<sub>2</sub>, Mg

R<sub>2</sub>CO, LiCH<sub>2</sub>PO(NMe<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>

R<sub>2</sub>CO, LiCH<sub>2</sub>SPh; CH<sub>3</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>Cl; Li/NH<sub>3</sub>

R<sub>2</sub>CO, LiCH<sub>2</sub>SPh; (RO)<sub>2</sub>PCl; heat

R<sub>2</sub>CO, LiCH<sub>2</sub>S(O)Ph

References

Cainelli Tetrahedron Lett. 1967, 5153.

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1966, 88, 5653.

Coates J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 4758.

Kuwajima Tetrahedron Lett. 1972, 737.

Kuwajima Tetrahedron Lett. 1972, 649.

- Julia Olefination

Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 1, 792.

$$R SO_2Ar \qquad \begin{array}{c} 1) \ R'CHO \\ \hline 2) \ PhCOCI \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} OR" \\ R \\ \hline \\ SO_2Ar \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} Na-Hg \\ R' \\ \hline \\ \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} R \\ \hline \\ R' \\ \end{array}$$

R" = Ms, Ts, Ac, COPh

exclusively or predominantly the more stable *trans* isomer

- Example:

Julia Tetrahedron Lett. 1973, 4833.

Julia developed a more recent, single-step variant that avoids the reductive elimination

Julia Bull. Soc. Chim., Fr. 1993, 130, 336.

R<sub>2</sub>CO, LiCH<sub>2</sub>S(O)<sup>t</sup>Bu; SOCl<sub>2</sub>-CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>
-CH(OH)CH<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>2</sub>H, HC(OMe)<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>, heat
RC=CH, RCu  $\longrightarrow$  R<sub>2</sub>C=CH<sub>2</sub>
RCO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>3</sub>, Ph<sub>3</sub>P=CH<sub>2</sub>  $\longrightarrow$  R(CH<sub>3</sub>)C=CH<sub>2</sub>
R<sub>2</sub>CO, PhS(O)(NCH<sub>3</sub>)CH<sub>2</sub>Li
RCH<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>2</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>CI, HO<sup>-</sup>

Durst J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 3420. Hara Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 1545. Normant Tetrahedron Lett. 1971, 2583. van der Gen Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 1439.

Johnson *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1973**, *95*, 6462.

Doomes and Corfield J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 2581.

- Ramberg-Backlund reaction

Org. React. 1977, 25, 1.

Reagents

References

RC≡CH, H<sub>2</sub>/ Lindlar catalyst Org. Syn. **1969**, 46, 89. R<sub>2</sub>CHCH<sub>2</sub>OAc,  $\Delta$  (pyrolysis) Org. React. **1961**, 12, 57. Also: xanthates Chem Rev. **1960**, 60, 431. R<sub>2</sub>CHCH<sub>2</sub>NMe<sub>2</sub>, H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>,  $\Delta$  Org. React. **1960**, 11, 317.

- Cope Elimination
  - it is related to the Hofmann elimination reaction (-NMe<sub>3</sub>)
  - Both the acetate pyrolysis and the Cope elimination have been superceeded by the related *syn* elimination reactions of sulfoxides and selenoxides.

R<sub>2</sub>C(Hal)CH<sub>3</sub>, <sup>t</sup>BuOK

J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1968, 305.

# F. Olefin Inversion Reactions

-Other examples:

90%; >99% trans

#### -Deoxygenation of epoxides (with retention of geometry)

$$R'$$
 $-SCN$ 
 $Ph_3P=S, H^+$ 
 $S$ 
 $S$ 
 $S$ 
 $S$ 
 $S$ 
 $S$ 

$$R \nearrow R'$$

van Tamelen J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1951, 73, 3444.

Chan J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 2880.

Stojnac Can. J. Chem. 1975, 621.

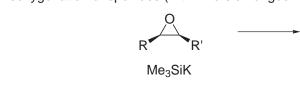
Johnstone J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1 1975, 1216. Clive J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1973, 253.

Chan Tetrahedron Lett. 1974, 2091.

Calo *Synthesis* **1976**, 200.

## -Deoxygenation of epoxides (with inversion of geometry)

PhMe<sub>2</sub>SiLi



$$R^{R'}$$

Dervan J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1976, 98, 1265.

Reetz Synthesis 1976, 199.

Review: Org. React. 1984, 30, 457.

Corey-Winter Olefin Synthesis

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1963**, 85, 2677. Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1965**, 87, 934.

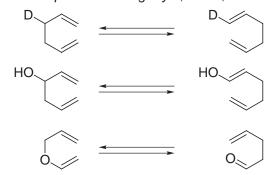
Eastwood *Aust. J. Chem.* **1964**, *17*, 1392. Eastwood *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1970**, 5223.

Burgstahler, Boger Tetrahedron 1976, 32, 309.

# G. [3,3]-Sigmatropic Rearrangements

#### 1. Claisen and Cope Rearrangement

Org. React. **1975**, 22, 1. Synthesis **1977**, 589. Acc. Chem. Res. **1977**, 10, 227. Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 5, 785.



Cope Rearrangement

Oxy-Cope Rearrangement

Claisen Rearrangement

Introduction of C=O is the driving force of the reactior

- Originally conducted on aryl allyl ethers.
- Most useful variant established when extended to nonaromatic substrates.
- First example of an acyclic Claisen rearrangement:

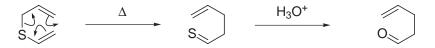
Burgstahler J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 198.

#### 2. Amino-Claisen Rearrangement

- This reaction occurs best when nitrogen is converted to the ammonium salt.

Gilbert *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1984**, 25, 2303. Stille *J. Org. Chem.* **1991**, 56, 5578.

#### 3. Thio-Claisen Rearrangement



- This reaction is often run with a reagent that will convert sulfur to oxygen following the reaction.
- An advantage of the thio-Claisen rearrangement is that the precursor can be deprotonated and alkylated.

trans C=C bond

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 5522.

Yamamoto J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 2693 and 4446.

0

- Also can be conducted with the corresponding sulfoxide.

Block J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 6731.

#### 4. The Carroll Reaction

#### 5. Eschenmoser-Claisen Rearrangement

Tanabe J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1980, 102, 862.

Eschenmoser Helv. Chim. Acta 1964, 47, 2425; 1969, 52, 1030.

 Chair-like transition state, substituents in equatorial positions lead to trans double bond with transfer of chirality.

Hill J. Org. Chem. 1972, 37, 3737.

#### 6. Ireland Ester Enolate Claisen Rearrangement

- The most useful of all Claisen rearrangements. The enolate may be trapped with TMSCI or the enolate may be used directly.
- The reaction works well with the free enolate and actually allows for a faster rearrangement that will occur at 25 °C (anion accelerated).

## 7. Oxy-Cope Rearrangement

HO

relatively slow
250 °C

$$K^{\dagger 0}$$
 $10^{10}$ – $10^{17}$  fold rate acceleration, occurs at 25 °C

 $H_3O^+$ 
 $H_3O$ 

Evans J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 4765.

Macdonald Tetrahedron Lett. 1993, 34, 247.

- For a review of anion accelerated sigmatropic rearrangements: Org. React. 1993, 43, 93.

## 8. Representative [3,3]-Sigmatropic Rearrangement Routes to Olefins

Lumbroso-Bader Tetrahedron Lett. 1968, 4139; 1966, 3203.

$$R \longrightarrow R$$
  $NaNH_2$   $R \longrightarrow NH_2$ 

Katzenellenbogen Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 3275.

$$R \longrightarrow OH \longrightarrow R \longrightarrow OH$$

Baldwin J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1973, 117.

Lythgoe Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 2593.

Carnduff J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1967, 606.

Coates J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 1619.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & & & & \\ \hline \\ O \\ \hline \\ OPh \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \Delta \\ \hline \\ OPh \end{array}$$

Faulkner J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 553.

# H. [2,3]-Sigmatropic Rearrangements

Review: *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 6, pp 834, 873–908. *Org. React.* **1994**, *46*, 105–209.

- Analogous to [3,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement except it enlists a localized charge (anion) in place of a double bond.
- Often times the reaction is referred to as a Wittig [2,3]-rearrangement in honor of Wittig's discovery of the related 1,2-alkyl shift of oxycarbanions (Wittig Rearrangement). The reacton is simply a [2,3]-sigmatropic version of the Wittig rearrangement.

Julia Tetrahedron Lett. 1974, 2077. more stable anion

Lythgoe J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1972, 757.

Evans Acc. Chem. Res. 1974, 7, 147.

- Still's use of the [2,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement:

Still J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 1927.

- R prefers the axial versus equatorial position:
- Selectivity is lost when A 1,2-strain is removed

Bodalski Synthesis 1990, 799.

## - Ring expansion:

Vedejs J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 6878. Vedejs J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 1185. Vedejs Tetrahedron Lett. 1978, 523, 519.

Jones J. Org. Chem. 1962, 27, 3572.

## - Diastereoselectivity:

- Diastereoselectivity:

$$^{t}Bu$$
 $^{t}Bu$ 
 $^{t$ 

Evans Tetrahedron Lett. 1972, 5121.

Evans Tetrahedron Lett. 1973, 4691.

Mander *J. Org. Chem.* **1973**, 38, 2915. Büchi *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, 92, 7573.

Kreiser Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 1669.

Stork *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, *96*, 6774. o-formylation of anilines:

Prostaglandin synthesis; sulfenate/sulfoxide rearrangement. note olefin inversion.

Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4045.

Nakai Chem. Lett. 1990, 2069.

$$\begin{array}{c|c} CH_3 & \overline{CO} \\ \hline H & N^{+} & OCH_3 \\ \hline H & H & H \end{array}$$

See Also:

Sato J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 1999.

di- and trisubstituted olefins

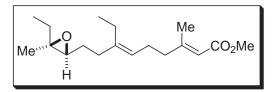
# I. Olefin Synthesis Exemplified with Juvenile Hormone

**1. Trost Synthesis:** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1967**, 89, 5292.

Wadsworth-Horner-Emmons Reaction

**2. Syntex Synthesis:** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1968**, 90, 6224.

Robinson Annulation Alkylation Diastereoselectivity Fragmentation Reaction Directed Epoxidation Reaction



**3. Corey Synthesis:** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1968**, *90*, 5618.

Dissolving Metal Reductions: Cyclic Precursors to Trisubstituted Olefins

Oxidative Cleavage of Enol Ethers LiAlH<sub>4</sub> Reduction of Propargyl Alcohols

Cuprate Coupling Reactions Allylic Alcohol Oxidation

**4. Johnson Synthesis:** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1968**, *90*, 6225.

Julia Olefin Synthesis

Cornforth Nucleophilic Addition

**5. Corey Synthesis:** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 6635, 6636, 6637.

Lindlar Catalyst Alkyne Reduction

1,5-Hydrogen Migration β-Oxido Ylide Reaction Diimide Reduction

**6. Johnson Synthesis:** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 4463.

[3,3]-Sigmatropic Rearrangements

Claisen Reaction
Cope Reaction
Oxy-Cope Reaction

**7. Stotter–Kondo Synthesis:** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1973**, *95*, 4444.

J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1972, 1311.

Dihydrothiopyran Strategy: Cyclic Precursors to Trisubstituted Olefins

Stabilized Allylic Anions, Desulfurization (Benkeser Dissolving Metal Reduction)

Sulfur Ylides

Cyclopropane Synthesis Epoxide Synthesis

**8. Still Synthesis:** *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1979**, 593.

[2,3]-Sigmatropic Rearrangement

9. Other Syntheses:

Beltsville Synthesis: J. Econ. Entomol. 1968, 61, 866. Mori Synthesis: Tetrahedron 1969, 25, 1667.

MacKay Synthesis: J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. 1969, 733.

Schering Synthesis: Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1969, 8, 271. (Farnesol -> C-18 JH)

Zoecon Synthesis: *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 735. van Tamelen Synthesis: *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 737.

40% C-18 JH 10% internal epoxide 10% diepoxide

# Relative Activity nat. C-18 JH 1 syn. C-18 JH 1 t-t-t (epoxide) 0.4 c-t-t (triene) 0.1 t-t-t (triene) 0.04 c-t-t (epoxide) 8 ethyl ester

Synthesis was relatively non-stereoselective

- structural assignment
- structure-activity studies
- prevents adult development from pupa
- more potent analog found

#### Stereoselectivity

- not much difference between Me and H (second atom steric effect)
- both isomers obtained from the Wadsworth— Horner–Emmons reaction (Modern improvements now available)

#### Retrosynthetic Analysis

- repeating subunits recognized
- repeating reactions utilized

#### 2. Syntex Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 6224.

Robinson Annulation Alkylation Diastereoselectivity Fragmentation Reaction Directed Epoxidation Reaction

#### Selective Reduction

- saturated vs.  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated carbonyl
- ring strain associated with 5-membered ring carbonyl released on reduction
- attack from least hindered face

#### **THP Protecting Group**

- if R group contains chiral centers, diastereomers result
- removed by mild acid

Interannular

Fragmentation Reactions Grob Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1969, 8, 535.

Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1967, 6, 1.

## Thermodynamic Enolate

- severe 1,3-diaxial interaction in chair-like T.S. axial alkylation
- no steric incumberance to axial alkylation on least hindered face of twist boat T.S.

#### LiAlH(O<sup>t</sup>Bu)<sub>3</sub> Reduction

- large reagent, usually equatorial H<sup>-</sup> delivery
- 1,2-interaction (torsional strain) relatively invariant to Nu<sup>-</sup> size
- 1,3-steric interaction highly dependent on Nu¯ size
- due to absence of axial C(3)–H, large reagent now gives axial delivery

#### **Epoxidation**

- in  $Et_2O$ , coordination of peracid to solvent gives delivery from the least hindered  $\alpha$ -face
- in CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, H-bonding of OH to peracid provides delivery to the less accessible β-face
- Teranishi J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 159.

#### 1st Fragmentation

- utilized to control C=C bond stereochemistry
- *trans* periplanar orientation of breaking bonds
- dictates Z olefin geometry in product

## 2nd Fragmentation

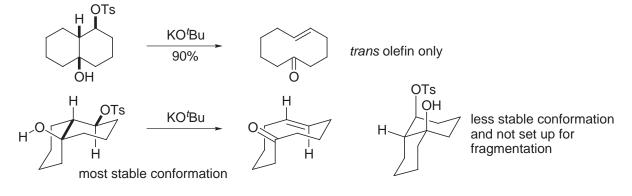
- utilized to control C=C bond stereochemistry
- trans periplanar orientation of breaking bonds
- dictates *E* olefin geometry in product

- Wharton J. Org. Chem. 1965, 30, 3254.
- Fuchs J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1979, 101, 3567.

#### - Case A

# - Case B

# - Case C



## - Case D

#### - Other groups at "promoter" site can be used

#### - Many other types of fragmentation reactions

Boger J. Org. Chem. **1991**, 96, 6942. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1993**, 115, 11418.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3\\ \text{CH}_3\text{O} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{CH}_3\\ \text{CH}_3$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{What is mechanism?} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{N-N} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{N-N} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O} \\ \text{OCH}_3 \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O}_$$

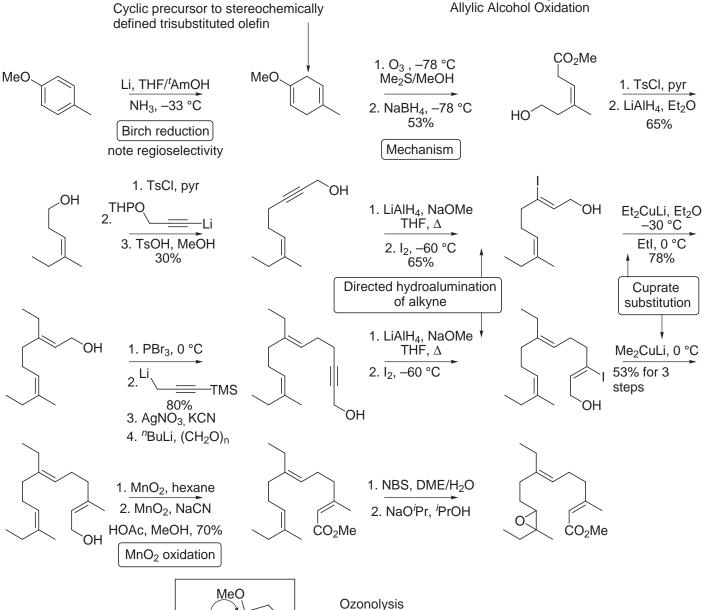
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formation utilized to differentiate internal acids of tetraacid.

#### 3. Corey Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 5618.

Dissolving Metal Reductions
Cyclic Precursors to Trisubstituted Olefins
Oxidative Cleavage of Enol Ethers
LiAlH<sub>4</sub> Reduction of Propargyl Alcohols
Cuprate Coupling Reactions
Allylic Alcohol Oxidation



# Stereospecific Synthesis of Trisubstituted Olefins

Me<sub>2</sub>S:

- propargylic alcohols can be reduced with LiAlH<sub>4</sub> to give an allylic alcohol

reacts preferentially with more electron-rich C=C
 ring (cleavage) enlisted to control olefin stereochemistry

- addition of MeOH gives methyl ester

#### - Cuprate Mechanism

- Posner *Org. React.* **1975**, 22, 253. *Org. React.* **1972**, *19*, 1.

## MnO<sub>2</sub> Oxidation

- mild oxidation of allylic alcohols
- direct, mild method for oxidation to a methyl ester

#### **Epoxidation**

- selective
- in polar solvent the molecule folds up such that the terminal C=C is more accessible

#### 4. Johnson Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 6225.

Julia Olefin Synthesis Cornforth Nucleophilic Addition

$$R$$
  $CO_2Me$ 

$$CO_2R$$

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{NaH} & \longrightarrow & \text{R} = \text{H} \\ (\text{MeO})_2 \text{CO} & \longrightarrow & \text{R} = \text{CO}_2 \text{Me} \end{array}$$

$$R = CO_2Me$$

$$CH_2N_2 \longrightarrow R = H$$
 $65\% \longrightarrow R = Me$ 

$$\frac{ZnBr_2}{Et_2O, 0 °C}$$

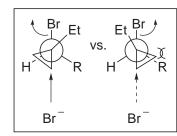
PBr<sub>3</sub>, LiBr collidine Et<sub>2</sub>O, 0 °C R = OH R = Br Cyclopropylcarbinylhomoallylic alcohol rearrangement

95:5 (t,t:t,c)

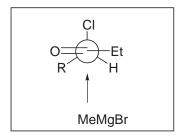
Cornforth nucleophilic addition

diastereoselective 92:8

R = CI



- highly stereoselective modification of Julia olefin synthesis
- Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1968, 90, 2882
- Julia Bull. Soc. Chim., Fr. 1960, 1072.
- ring opening concomitant with ionization
- antiperiplanar arrangement of the C–Br and cleaved cyclopropane bond is necessary



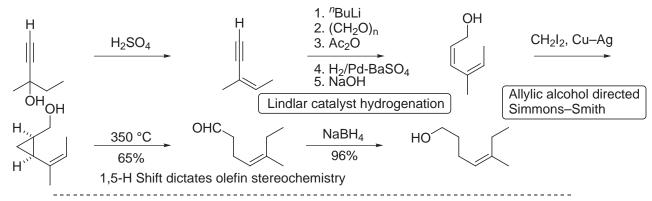
#### Cornforth Nucleophilic Addition

- J. Chem. Soc. 1959, 112, 2539.
- earliest generalization of the Felkin model of nucleophilic addition to a carbonyl group in acyclic systems

# 5. Corey Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 6635, 6636.

Lindlar Catalyst Alkyne Reduction 1,5-Hydrogen Migration β-Oxido Ylide Reaction Diimide Reduction



- Alternatively

1,5-H Shift Diimide Reduction

- less substituted C=C reduced more rapidly
- generated *in-situ*

# 6. Johnson Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 4463.

[3,3]-Sigmatropic Rearrangements Claisen Reaction Cope Reaction Oxy-Cope Reaction

ÓAc

Olefinic Ketal Claisen Reaction

ÓН

81%

- selectivity dependent on 1,3-interaction in chair-like T.S.
- second Claisen more selective due to larger R group vs. CO<sub>2</sub>Me

## 7. Stotter-Kondo Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1973, 95, 4444.

J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun. **1972**, 1311.

Dihydrothiopyran Strategy:

Cyclic Precursors to Trisub. Olefins

Stabilized Allylic Anions

Desulfurization, Benkeser Red.

Sulfur Ylides

Cyclopropane Synthesis

**Epoxide Synthesis** 

SH

Me

Sulfur ylide epoxidation cyclic precursors dictate trisubstituted olefin stereochemistry

R = Li, 90%

R = H

Benkeser reduction dissolving metal reduction

Li/EtNH<sub>2</sub>

–78°C

SH Me

HO

Trost Intermediate

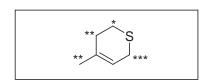
thermodynamic E product

Convergent Route

- symmetrical intermediate

DABCO

- accelerates slow deprotonation
- breaks up Li aggregates



Site of Deprotonation

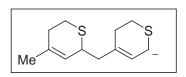
 at carbon activated by both S and vinyl

Sulfur Ylides: Trost, Melvin Sulfur Ylides: Emerging Synthetic Intermediates, Academic Press, 1975.

Benkeser Reduction Synthesis 1972, 391.

Use of Cyclic Precursors

- control olefin geometry
- insert S, remove with Ra-Ni



Specific Deprotonation Site

- kinetically preferred site due to sterics
- the thermodynamic and kinetic product
- alkylation occurs cleanly  $\alpha$ , not  $\gamma$ , to heteroatom (a well established trend)
- Li/NH<sub>3</sub> Birch Reduction (blue solution), -33 °C at refluxing NH<sub>3</sub> temperatures
- Li/EtNH2 or MeNH2 Benkeser Reduction, more strongly reducing because of higher reaction temperature

- 1,4-Addition of sulfur ylides -> cyclopropanes

$$Ph_{2}S + EtI \longrightarrow Ph_{2}\overset{+}{S} - CH_{2}CH_{3} \longrightarrow ICH_{2}CH_{3}$$

$$AgBF_{4}$$

$$AgI + Ph_{2}\overset{+}{S} - EtBF_{4}$$

$$Ph_{2}\overset{+}{S} - Me$$

$$R' = H$$

$$Me$$

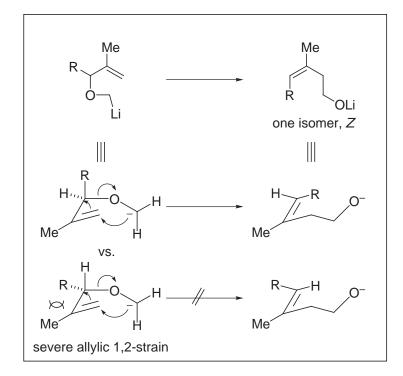
$$R' = H$$

$$Me$$

$$R' = Me$$

Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 593.

8. Still Synthesis:



J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 1927.

Note: Me substitution on olefin provides Z selectivity.

# XII. Conjugate Additions: Organocuprate 1,4-Additions

Reviews: House *Acc Chem Res.*, **1976**, *9*, 59. Ashby *Chem Rev.*, **1975**, *75*, 521. *Comprehensive Org. Syn.*, Vol. 4, 169. Review: Lipshutz *Org. React.* **1992**, *41*,135. Posner *Org. React.* **1975**, 22, 253. Posner *Org. React.* **1972**, *19*, 1.

- But Kharasch observed 1,4-addition with added Cu(I) salt:

Kharasch J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1941, 63, 2308.

- This led to the development of stoichiometric organocuprate reagents:

House, Whitesides J. Org. Chem. 1966, 31, 3128.

- "ate" complexes incorporating Li<sup>+</sup> were first described by Gilman (*J. Org. Chem.* **1952**, *17*, 1630) and consequently such reagents are often referred to as "Gilman reagents".
- Most organometallics, including organocuprates, are susceptible to β-elimination:

- So most organocuprates are best handled at temperatures lower than ca. -40 °C.

#### 1. Scope

- Relative ease of ligand transfer from Cu follows the order:

$$f$$
, Ph > Me > Et >  $f$ Pr >  $f$ Bu >> PhS, R<sub>2</sub>N, RC≡C Dummy ligands for mixed cuprates

- In addition, the size of the migrating group also affects the conversion:

## - Effect of substrates:

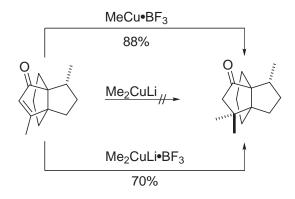
- Unsaturated esters are less reactive than enones.
- $\beta$ , $\beta$ -Disubstitution slows reaction.

- unreactive substrates will react if Lewis acids are added to activate substrate toward nucleophilic addition. 
$$\begin{array}{c} OCH_3 \\ BF_3 \bullet OEt_2 \\ \hline \\ BU \\ \hline \\ BU \\ \hline \\ BBF_3 \\ \hline \\ S^+OOCH_3 \\ \hline \\ S^-BF_3 \\ \hline \\ S^+OOCH_3 \\ \hline \\ S^-BF_3 \\ \hline \\ S^+OOCH_3 \\ \hline \\ S^-BF_3 \\ \hline \\ S^-OOCH_3 \\ \hline \\ S^-OOCH_3$$

Maruyama *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, *99*, 5652. Yamamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1978**, *100*, 3240.

## RCu•BF<sub>3</sub>

Yamamoto *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980**, *102*, 2318. Yamamoto *J. Org. Chem.* **1979**, *44*, 1745.



Review: Yamamoto Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Eng. 1986, 25, 947.

# Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi–TMSCI

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1985, 26, 6015.

- Conjugate addition to  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated aldehydes is typically problematic but successful examples have been reported.

Still *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 2659. Meyer *Org. Prep. Proceed.* **1979**, *11*, 97. Clive *J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun.* **1981**, 643. (Me<sub>5</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>Li<sub>2</sub>) Clive *J. Org. Chem.* **1982**, *47*, 2572.

Conjugate Addition/Alkylation (stereochemistry)

Posner J. Org. Chem. 1979, 44, 3661.

Review: Comprehensive Org. Syn., Vol. 4, pp 237-268.

Conjugate Addition/Aldol Heng *Tetrahedron* **1979**, *35*, 425.

 Cuprates can also be prepared from other organometallic reagents which have greater compatibility with reactive groups:
 e.g. activated Cu<sup>(o)</sup>/RBr, RZnI, RSnBu<sub>3</sub>/Me<sub>2</sub>Cu(CN)Li<sub>2</sub>, RCH=CH<sub>2</sub>/ Cp<sub>2</sub>Zr(H)Cl then CuBr•SMe<sub>2</sub>

Lipshutz Tetrahedron Lett. 1992, 33, 5857.

- Useful in the regiospecific trap and subsequent generation of enolates.

Stork *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, 96, 7114. Stork *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1961**, 83, 2965. Horiguchi *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1989**, 30, 7087.

- Asymmetric 1,4-addition

+ 
$$R_2Zn$$
  $\xrightarrow{\text{cat. Cu(OTf)}_2}$   $\xrightarrow{\text{o}}$  > 95% ee cat.

Feringa Acc. Chem. Res. 2000, 33, 346.

#### - Additions to acetylenes

$$R' = CO_2CH_3$$
 $R' = Et$ 
 $R = CH_3$ 

THF at  $-100$  °C 97:3 cis:trans

THF at  $-78$  °C 92:8
toluene (3 h) 92.5:7.5
ether (3 h) 24:76

 $R' = CO_2CH_3$ 
cis addition of "RCu"

R cu

see also: Alexakis *Bull. Chim. Soc., Fr.* **1977**, 693. Cahiez *Synthesis* **1976**, 245. Alexakis *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 2313. Truce *J. Org. Chem.* **1978**, *43*, 2252. Marfat *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, 99, 253.

Corey, Katzenellenbogen *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1969**, *91*, 1851. Fried *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1969**, *91*, 1853. Klein *J. Chem. Soc.*, *Perkin Trans.* **2 1973**, 1971.

- Alkenyl copper intermediates can be subsequently trapped:

- Also, used in displacement of leaving groups (addition/elimination reactions).

$$R_2$$
CuLi

 $R_2$ CuLi

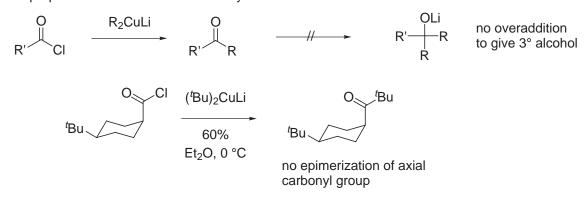
 $R_3$ 
 $R_2$ CuLi

 $R_3$ 
 $R_4$ 
 $R_5$ 
 $R$ 

X = SPn Corey *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1969**, *91*, 1851. Casey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1974**, 925. Mukaiyama *Chem Lett.* **1974**, 705.

## - Examples:

- Selective preparation of ketones from carboxylic acid derivatives.



- Additions to terminal alkynes.

# - Alkylation reactions

# - Mechanism:

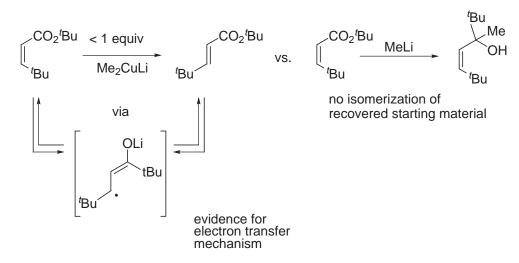
# - Also can be conducted with aryl and enol triflates

$$OSO_2CF_3 \\ \hline \\ Me_2CuLi \\ \hline$$

functional group reactivity~ RCOCl > CHO > tosylates > epoxides > bromides > ketones > esters > nitriles

## 2. Mechanism

- -Evidence for mechanism b)
- i. Isomerization and recovery of substrates without 1,4-addition



- ii. Cation is essential for the reaction Me<sub>2</sub>Cu(Li)
  - if crown ethers are added to reaction mixture, reaction is slowed or prevented
  - Li<sup>+</sup> complexes with carbonyl oxygen and activates substrate to conjugate addition (Ouannes *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1977**, 815.)
- iii. Retention of stereochemistry of cuprate alkyl group that is transferred

e.g.

Cu—tBu

retention of configuration

Whitesides J. Org. Chem. 1972, 37, 3718. Whitesides J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1969, 91, 6542.

- So reaction cannot be proceeding through a free-radical

- Retention also observed for alkenyl cuprates:

- Not true for free radical

- Additional evidence for radical anion mechanism:

- but

$$CO_2^t$$
Bu  $Me_2$ CuLi  $CO_2^t$ Bu  $Me_2$ CuLi  $CO_2^t$ Bu  $CO_2^t$ Bu  $CO_2^t$ Bu

- So half-life of intermediate radical anion is very short.
- Subsequent coupling with cuprate reagent (after e<sup>-</sup> transfer) is faster than other radical reactions in some cases.
- However, competitive single electron reductions with cuprates have been observed and they may be used to effect reductive elimination reactions in manner analogous to dissolving metal or Zn reductions.

# iv. Trap of intermediate radical anion

OTs 
$$Me_2CuLi, -78 °C$$
  $H^+$   $H_2O$   $96\%$ 

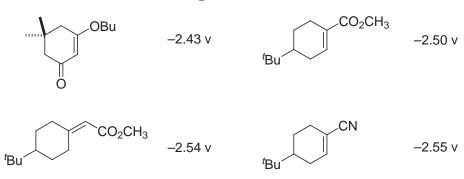
- no conjugate or homo-conjugate addition observed, only intramolecular trap of intermediate radical anion

Hannah Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 187.

- v. House J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 5495.
- Rate and ease of conjugate addition to the substrate correlate with the polarographic reduction potential while they do not always correlate with propensities for Michael addition.

# - And for conjugate addition with Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi

- But these substrates do not react with Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi:



Note that for the ease of organocuprate conjugate addition decreases in the order:

 $E = COR > CO_2R > CN$  House Acc. Chem. Res. 1976, 9, 59.

 $E_0 = -2.35 \text{ v}$ 

## -House estimation of

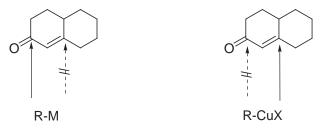
base value = 
$$-1.9 \text{ V}$$

R

 $R^3$ 
 $R^4$ 
 $R^2$ 
 $R^3$ 
 $R^4$ 
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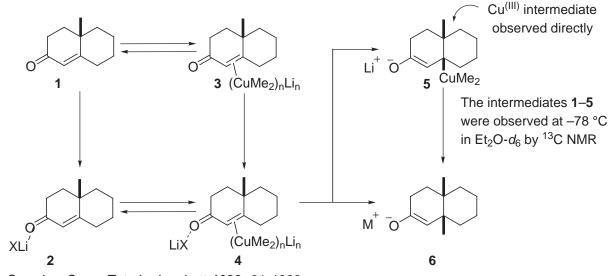
vi. Kinetic preference for 1,2-addition for standard organometallic (and other) nucleophiles suggests something unique about 1,4-addition of organocuprates

base value = -2.3 v



# vii. <sup>13</sup>C NMR detection of reaction intermediates

- Mechanism of organocuprate conjugate addition: observation of cuprate—olefin complexes and Li-coordinated intermediates in the reaction of lithium dimethyl cuprate with 10-methyl- $\Delta^{1,9}$ -2-octalone. Robin and Smith *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **1989**, *111*, 8276.



See also: Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1990, 31, 1393.

viii. Isolation of the  $\pi$ -complex and conversion on to product Corey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1985**, *26*, 6015.

# 3. Homoconjugate Addition

$$CO_2Et$$
  $Me_2CuLi$   $Me$   $CO_2Et$   $CO_2Et$ 

- Can also use

-These reactions work well with Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi, and probably vinyl cuprates and aryl cuprates (no problem with  $\beta$  elimination) but not as well for simple alkyl cuprates (less stable, must keep < -30 °C)

- Application to prostaglandin synthesis:

Corey J. Am Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 4013.

and

$$CO_2CH_3$$
  $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$   $CO_2CH_3$ 

$$\begin{array}{c|c} & OSiMe_2{}^tBu \\ \hline \\ & OSiMe_2{}^t$$

# 4. Competitive Reduction and Rearrangement

# a) Interception of radical-anion intermediate

# b) Reduction

Also observed with  $\gamma$ -acyloxy enones:

OLi
$$R = Ac$$

$$OR$$

$$R = CH_3$$

$$R = THP$$

$$OR$$

Ruden Tetrahedron Lett. 1975, 2043.

poorer leaving groups

Note: This is cited as further support of the electron transfer mechanism.

via

OLi
$$\begin{array}{c|c}
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#### 5. Mixed Organocuprates

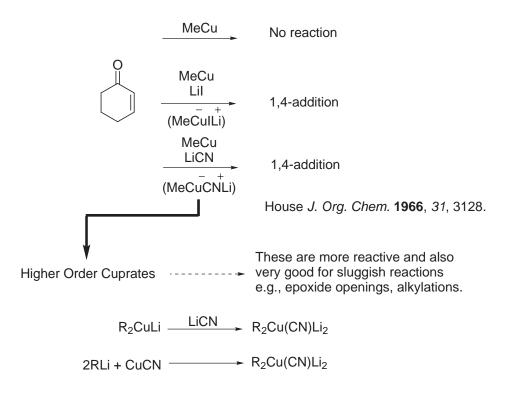
- For dialkylcuprates, one alkyl substituent (ligand) is lost:

- Mixed cuprates have been developed in which one ligand will not transfer: Corey *J. Org. Chem.* **1978**, *43*, 3418.

- With these reagents, only the non-transferable reagent is lost

$$CH_3O$$
  $Cu + MeLi$   $CH_3O$   $CH_3O$ 

- Also: addition of Li salts forms cuprate reagents from alkyl copper reagents ("ate" complexes)



See: Lipshutz *Org. React.* **1992**, *41*, 135. Lipshutz *Synthesis* **1987**, 325. Lipshutz *Tetrahedron* **1984**, *40*, 5005.

## - Representative Mixed Cuprates

RLi, Cul, R <sub>3</sub> P (1:1:2) Suzuki <i>Tetrahedron Lett.</i> <b>1980</b> , 1247
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#### 6. Functionalized Organocuprate Reagents

# - Examples

$$\begin{array}{c|c} O & O \\ \hline & Cu^{\bullet}TMEDA^{\bullet}Lil \end{array} \begin{array}{c} \hline = -CO_{2}Et \\ \hline TMSCI, \\ -78~C, 3~h \end{array} \begin{array}{c} O & O \\ \hline H & H \\ 92\% \end{array}$$

Configurationally stable (better than higher order cyano cuprate): prepared from the corresponding Bu<sub>3</sub>Sn reagent/<sup>n</sup>BuLi then Cul/TMEDA.

Linderman J. Org. Chem. 1991, 56, 5491.

# - Other representative functionalized organocuprate reagents

Kojima, Wakita and Kato Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 4577.

Doyle and West *J. Org. Chem.* **1975**, *40*, 3821. Nordlander and Haky *J. Org. Chem.* **1979**, *45*, 4780. Schollkopf and Haenssle *Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem.* **1972**, *763*, 208. Baldwin, Hoefle and Lever *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, *96*, 7125. Huynh and Linstrumelle *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1979**, 1073.

 $R_2$ CuLi  $R = {}^n$ Bu, Ph, CH<sub>2</sub>=CH,  ${}^s$ Bu  $R = {}^t$ Bu, Me, CH<sub>2</sub>=CHCH<sub>2</sub>

House and Wilkins J. Org. Chem. 1978, 43, 2443.

$$R$$
 $X$ 
 $CuLi$ 
 $R$ 
 $Cu(SPh)Li$ 

Corey and Enders *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 11. Corey and Boger *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1978**, 4597. Gawley, Termine, and Aube *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1980**, *21*, 3115.

(RCH=CHCH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>2</sub>CuLi

 $X = NMe_2, OCH_3$ 

Miginiac, Daviaud and Gerard Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 1811.

Depezay and Le Merrer *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1974**, 2751.

Boeckman and Rammaiah *J. Org. Chem.* **1977**, *4*2, 1581.

Cyano cuprate: Marino and Farina *J. Org. Chem.* **1976**, *41*, 3213.

Thiophenyl cuprate: Grieco, Wang, and Majetich *J. Org. Chem.* **1976**, *41*, 726.

 $[(\mathsf{EtO})_2\mathsf{P}(\mathsf{O})\mathsf{CH}_2]_2\mathsf{CuLi}$ 

Savignac and Mathey *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 2829. Mathey and Savignac *Synthesis* **1976**, 766.

$$\longrightarrow_{2}$$
CuLi  $\longrightarrow_{2}$ CuLi

Wender and Filosa *J. Org. Chem.* **1976**, 3490. Marino and Browne *J. Org. Chem.* **1976**, 3629. Piers, Lau and Nagakura *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 3233. Piers and Nagakura *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 3237. Marino and Browne *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 3241. Marino and Browne *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1976**, 3245.

PhSCu(Li)CH<sub>2</sub>(CH<sub>2</sub>)<sub>n</sub>CH<sub>2</sub>Cu(Li)SPh

Wender and Eck Tetrahedron Lett. 1977, 1245.

cripps Research Institute	
$((RO)_2^{PCH_2})_2^{CuLi}, Y = O, S$	Savignac and Mathey Tetrahedron Lett. 1976, 2829.
CuLi Bu <sub>3</sub> Sn	Fargeas Tetrahedron <b>1996</b> , <i>5</i> 2, 6613; <b>1994</b> , <i>35</i> , 7767.
Me <sub>2</sub> NCH <sub>2</sub> CuLi	Corey, Cane and Libit <i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> <b>1971</b> , 93, 7016.
O - E CuLi	Ireland J. Org. Chem. 1975, 40, 973.
CuLi 2 OEt	Wollenberg J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1977</b> , 99, 7365 Schlosser, M. J. Org. Chem. <b>1978</b> , 43, 1595.
Me <sub>3</sub> Si CuLi	Linstrumelle Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 1073.
OR Cu(Li)C≡CPr	(n = 1, R = THP) Corey <i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> <b>1976</b> , 98, 222. (n = 3, R = TBDMS) Corey <i>Tetrahedron Lett.</i> <b>1976</b> , 4701 and 4705
Me Cu(Li)C≡C(Me) <sub>2</sub> OMe	Corey <i>Tetrahedron Lett.</i> <b>1978</b> , 1051. Corey <i>J. Am. Chem. Soc.</i> <b>1978</b> , <i>100</i> , 2916.
$R(Li)Cu$ $C_5H_{11}$ $C_7$	Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. <b>1972</b> , 94, 7210. Corey Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1983</b> , 24, 5571. Corey Tetrahedron Lett. <b>1986</b> , 27, 2199 and 3585.

# 7. Stereochemistry of Organocuprate Conjugate Addition Reactions

# A. Cyclic Substrates

Cyclic enones: intraannular diastereoselectivity

Ref. 2,3-diastereoselectivity

1 Me Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi O Me

condition dependent: *cis* preferred, but isomerization to *trans* is facile.

3,4-diastereoselectivity

2 O R1

Мe

Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi

R <sup>1</sup>	R	trans:cis	R <sup>1</sup>	R	trans:cis
Me	Me	72:28	Et	Me	77:23
	Et	78:22	I I I	Ph	89:11
	<i>i</i> Pr	88:12	<i>i</i> Pr	Me	89:11
	Ph	96:4	   	Et	92:8
		(87:13)	!		

3-substituted enones

3

3,5-diastereoselectivity

4

4

 R¹
 R
 trans:cis

 Me
 Me
 98:2 (99:1) (93:7)

 Me
 CH₂Ph
 trans only

3,4-diastereoselectivity vs 3,5-diastereoselectivity

 $\begin{array}{c|c}
O & & & & & & & & & & & \\
Ph^{"} & & & & & & & & & \\
Ph^{"} & & & & & & & & \\
Ph^{"} & & & & & & & \\
Ph^{"} & & & & & & \\
Ph^{"} & & & & & & \\
Ph^{"} & & & & & \\
Me & & & & & \\
Me & & & & & \\
CO_2Et & & & & & \\
\end{array}$ 

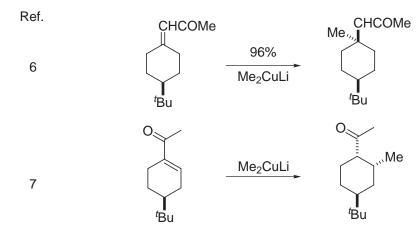
This will be dependent on the relative size of the C-3 and C-4 substituents.

80:20

3,6-diastereoselectivity

5 R Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi OSiMe<sub>3</sub>

# Exocyclic enones and esters



# Bicyclic enones and related substrates

13 
$$\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{R}_2\text{CuLi}}$$
 O  $\frac{\text{Me}}{\text{R}_2\text{CuLi}}$ 

R	trans:cis		
Me	93:7		
Et	98:2		
<i>i</i> Pr	100:0		
<sup>t</sup> Bu	100:0		

**BUT** 

# Medium-sized rings

Me O Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi 
$$> 100:1$$
 "Me

#### B. Acyclic Substrates

Ph 
$$\frac{\text{Me}_2\text{CuLi}}{\text{Ph}}$$
  $\frac{\text{O}}{\text{Ph}}$   $\frac{\text{O}}{$ 

OBOM 
$$R_2$$
CuLi OBOM 73–93% > 50:1 TMSCl, THF  $-78$  °C, 3 h R =  $R$  R =  $R$  Et  $R$  =  $R$  Bu

- favorable interaction between alkoxy and  $\boldsymbol{\pi}$  system.
- free of 1,2-allylic strain.
- increased stabilization of the  $\alpha,\beta$ -unsaturated system via interaction between low-level  $\pi^*$  orbital and high-level  $\sigma R'-C$  orbital.

NCO<sub>2</sub>R 
$$R_2$$
CuLi  $R_2$ CuLi  $R_2$ CuLi  $R_2$ CuLi  $R_3$ Co<sub>2</sub>R  $R_4$ Co<sub>2</sub>R  $R_5$ Co<sub>2</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>2</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>2</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>2</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>3</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>4</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>5</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>6</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>7</sub>Me  $R_5$ Co<sub>8</sub>Me  $R_5$ Me  $R_$ 

- favorable interaction between parallel  $\sigma C\text{--R}$  and  $\sigma^* C\text{--Cu}$  orbitals.
- possibility of chelation between carbamate and ester may overide 1,2-allylic strain as well as bulk of  $\gamma$ -substituent.

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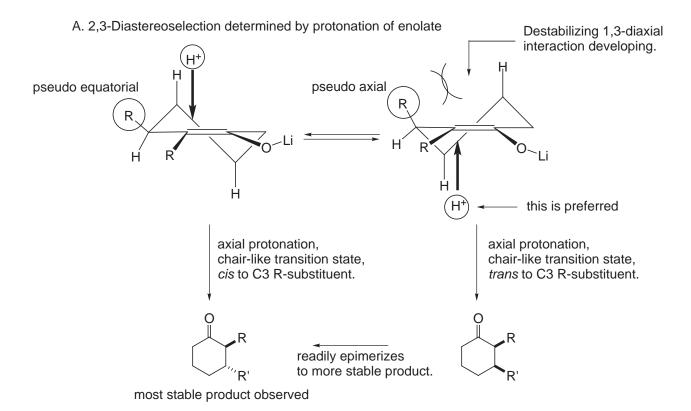
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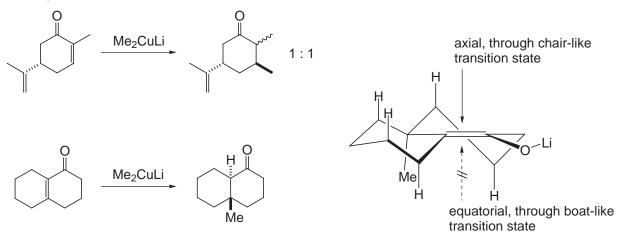
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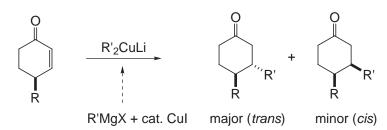


# - Examples:



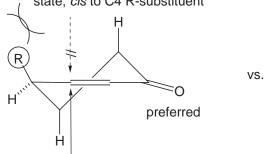
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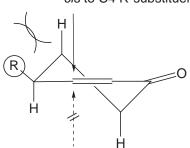
R = Me	<u>R'</u>	Ratio		
	Me	72:28		
	Et	78:22	increasing size of R' increasing amount of trans	
	<sup>i</sup> Pr	88:12		
	Ph	87:13 (75%)		
		96:4 (PhCu)		
R = Et	<u>R'</u>	Ratio		
	Me	77:23	increasing size of R increasing amount of <i>trans</i>	
	Et	89:11		
$R = {}^{i}Pr$	<u>R'</u>	Ratio		
	Me	89:11		
	Et	92:8		

equatorial delivery, boat-like transition state; *cis* to C4 R-substituent

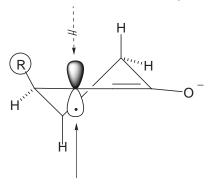


axial delivery, chair-like transition state; trans to C4 R-substituent

axial delivery, chair-like transition state; *cis* to C4 R-substituent



but remember: reactive intermediate may be radical anion



# C. 3,5-Diastereoselectivity

$$R_2$$
CuLi

 $R_2$ CuLi

 $R_2$ CuLi

 $R_3$ CuLi

 $R_3$ CuLi

 $R_4$ 
 $R_5$ 
 $R_7$ 
 $R$ 

House J. Org. Chem. 1968, 33, 949.

$$R = Me$$
 93 : 7 (MeMgl, cat, Cul) >90%

98 : 2 (Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi)

99 : 1 (Me<sub>2</sub>CuLi + Lil)

Posner J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 107.

$$R = CH_2Ar$$
 trans only

unaffected by C3 substitution

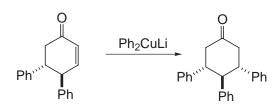
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- equatorial delivery of group, no destabilizing interactions in the grows into boat conformation of enolate. ground state for axial Me group but cannot achieve axial delivery of Nuthrough chair-like transition state: two nearly severe Me/Me1,3-diaxial interaction. equally populated conformations Ĥ В Α  $\tilde{=}$ axial delivery of group equatorial delivery but would grow grows into chair form of enolate into boat conformation of enolate Me

enone with alkyl substituent in the equatorial position is the reactive conformation.

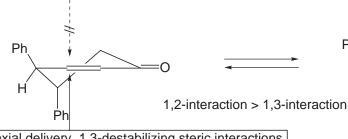
# D. 3,4- vs 3,5-Diastereoselectivity

#### 3,4 > 3,5

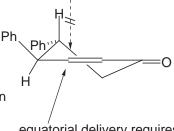


equatorial delivery boat-like transition state

axial delivery, chair-like transition state but destabilizing 1,2-steric interaction

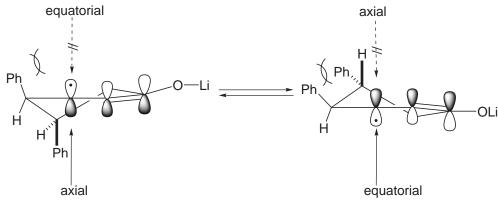


axial delivery, 1,3-destabilizing steric interactions but chair-like transition state.



equatorial delivery requires boat-like transition state

# again, it may be viewed as a radical anion intermediate



# E. 3,6-Diastereoselectivity

equatorial delivery, boat-like transition state

H H more stable ground state

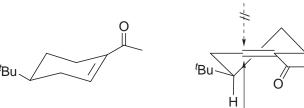
axial delivery, chair-like transition state cis product predominates

axial delivery, chair-like transition state

equatorial delivery, boat-like transition state

## F. Exocyclic enones

equatorial attack would require boat-like transition state



axial attack proceeds through chair-like transition state

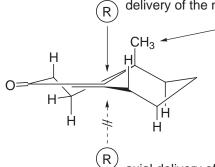
# axial protonation

Bu OLi H+

(observed even when <sup>t</sup>Bu replaced with H, see alkylation section).

# G. Fused enones

relative to B ring this is equatorial delivery of the nucleophile.



decelerates conjugate addition this steric interaction is a

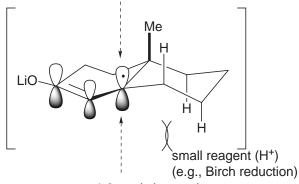
1,2-interaction or torsional strain (eclipsing interaction)

Cuprate behaves as large nucleophile preferring equatorial attack (1,2-interactions) to axial attack (1,3-interactions) on the exocyclic olefin.

axial delivery of nucleophile suffers severe steric interactions (1,3-diaxial interactions)

# -May really want to consider radical-anion conformation

1,2-torsional interaction large reagent (Cuprate)



1,3-steric interactions

- cis ring fusion.
- protonation from least hindered face of enolate, also most stable product.

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- but

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74%

80%

# H. Exocyclic enones

torsional strain eclipsing 1,2-interaction

Ме

Cuprate behaves as a large reagent preferring equatorial attack

# i) Acyclic systems

Ph 
$$Bn$$
  $CO_2Et$   $NBn_2$   $> 95:5$ 

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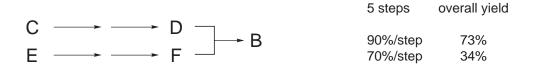
# A. Classifications

### 1. Linear Synthesis

- The target compound is made through a series of linear transformations.

# 2. Convergent Synthesis

- Individually prepared compounds are convergently brought together to make the target compound.



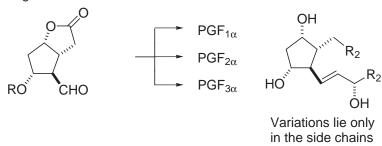
Advantages of a convergent synthesis

- shorter
- simpler to execute
- higher overall yields
- better material balance and supply
- Triply Convergent Synthesis
  - -three major components are brought together in a single step to make the target compound.

$$\begin{array}{cccc} C & \longrightarrow & D & \longrightarrow & I \\ E & \longrightarrow & F & \longrightarrow & I \\ G & \longrightarrow & H & \longrightarrow & \end{array}$$

### 3. Divergent Synthesis

- For a class of compounds, it is advantageous to prepare a common intermediate and use this common intermediate to prepare all members of the class of agents.
- Examples: prostaglandins



- Rather than use a linear synthesis for all agents, a divergent synthesis allows the use of a common intermediate to prepare structurally related products.
- The divergent synthesis is a very good strategy if structure–activity studies are the ultimate goal.

Note: Though widely used, the discussion of this strategy was first formally presented in the literature along with a disclosure of a strategy for divergent aromatic annulation in conjunction with the total synthesis of a series of azafluoranthene alkaloids. Today, the divergent introduction of diversity is the basis of most combinatorial chemistry methods.

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$$\begin{array}{c} \text{OMe} \\ \text{MeO} \\ \text{MeO} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{MeO} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{MeO} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{MeO} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{r} \\ \text{r} \\ \text{R} = \text{CH}_3, \text{R}^1 = \text{H} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{N} \\ \text{orrafescine} \\ \text{R} = \text{CH}_3, \text{R}^1 = \text{OCH}_3 \\ \text{Imeluteine} \\ \end{array}$$

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# Boger J. Org. Chem. 1984, 49, 4050.

### 4. Total Synthesis

- Start with readily available materials and build up to the target molecule from simple, common materials.

### 5. Partial Synthesis

- This is technically not a total synthesis.
- Start with a naturally occurring compound or an advanced intermediate and independently convert that to the target molecule.

Previtamin D<sub>3</sub>

- For commercialization, it would be hard to match the synthesis starting with cholesterol.

Penicillins, available by fermentation at Lilly, as an inexpensive bulk chemical

Cephalosporins - not as accessible through fermentation

Eduard Buchner, who worked in the laboratories of both E. Erlenmeyer and A. von Baeyer, received the 1907 Nobel Prize in Chemistry for his biochemical research and discovery of cell-free fermentation. Not only did this mark the beginning of the modern era of biochemistry but his greatest legacy might be the development of today's fermentation industry which provides us with not only foods and beverages, but also antibiotics and other important biological products.

Anne S. Miller, the first person to be saved by penicillin in the US (1942) died on May 27, 1999 at the age of 90. Hospitalized, sometimes delirious, with a temperature that spiked at 107 °F, and having not responded to treatment with sulfa drugs, blood transfusions, or surgery, a dose of the experimental drug penicillin provided a quick cure and recovery.

### 6. Formal Total Synthesis vs. Total Synthesis

Rogers *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1980,** *21,* 881. Kozikowski *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1980,** *102,* 6577.

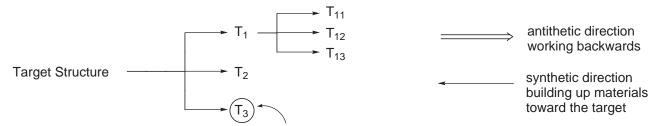
Independent synthesis of this precursor would constitute a formal total synthesis of gibberellic acid since the conversions have been previously accomplished. In this case, the key intermediate is so far from the final target that most would not "claim" such an accomplishment unless the final conversions were also developed within their own laboratories.

### 7. Biomimetic (Total) Synthesis

- Presumably, nature will not be using a process that is intrinsically difficult or impossible. It is believed that one can effectively mimic the conditions provided by nature, and conduct the same reaction in a flask.
- Two important considerations
  - 1 The reaction must be capable of occurring
  - 2 The biogenetic process is under a great deal of control (enzymatic) and a similar level of control in lab may be difficult, but necessary
- Classic example: Steroid synthesis
   Extensively studied and many good chemists failed before the experimental parameters were sufficiently defined to mimic the cation—olefin cyclization.

# **B. Retrosynthetic Analysis**

- Work backwards from the target compound to generate a set of intermediates which can be made from available starting materials.



These less complicated building blocks in organic synthesis were called synthons in the early years. Now they are referred to as retrons.

### Objectives:

- 1. Generate a large number of potential approaches in order to obtain an optimal route.
- 2. Strive to generate simpler, less complex intermediates which can be obtained from readily available materials.
- 3. All steps are subject to reevaluation this allows for design of a better or optimized synthesis.

### Steps in Design and Execution of a Synthesis

- 1. Selection of a problem
- 2. Selection of goals to be achieved through synthesis
- 3. Simplification
- 4. Generation of synthetic pathways
- 5. Evaluation of synthetic pathways --> assignment of merit
- 6. Selection of specific reactions and reagents for each step
- 7. Selection of specific reaction conditions and design of experiments
- 8. Execution and analysis of results

Because of the amount of time and effort involved in the execution, it is important to be meticulous in evaluating the potential synthetic pathways.

- 1. Selection of a problem
  - One of the most important considerations.
  - Should be the first consideration, independent of all others. This assures that it is a problem that you want to address.
  - Recognize the time and effort involved in the actual conduct of the synthesis.
  - This will depend on the setting, circumstances and interests of the individual.

# 2. Selection of goals

- a. Structure determination of SRS-A: the initial intent. The R group on the thiol was not known, so the first synthesis was designed to facilitate the introduction of different R groups permitting a comparison with the endogenous product to confirm the structure.
- b. Once the structure was determined, objectives included providing sufficient material for biological testing.
- c. Determination of absolute configuration the chiral centers were unambiguously established through synthesis.
- d. Development of a route amenable to analogue preparation: want to inhibit the action of SRS-A (an antagonist development).
- e. Biomimetic synthesis (follows the biosynthetic generation of materials) might constitute a simplification.

more time is or should be devoted to steps 1 and 2 than most may realize

steps 3 and 4 constitute retrosynthetic analysis

- f. Development of commercially viable processes.
- g. Demonstration of improvements in current methodology.
- h. Novel, interesting structures.
- i. Common intermediate for a class of structures (divergent synthesis).
- j. Mechanism of action of a class of compounds devise partial structures of the parent compound to define the mechanism of action.
- k. Chemistry of a class of compounds.
- I. Properties of a class of compounds.

The specific goals are established prior to the generation of the retrosynthetic pathway. The goals will play an important role in the assignment of relative merit of each potential pathway in the retrosynthetic analysis.

### 3. Simplification and Background Chemistry

a. Recognition of symmetry elements present in a structure.

- two identical halves
- build out from a central core by conducting each of the steps twice and simultaneously
- Johnson J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 741.

- combines two halves prepared from a common intermediate at the end of the synthesis.
- Grieco J. Org. Chem. 1974, 39, 2135.

$$\begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O} \\ \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{HO} \\ \text{CH}_3\end{array} \\ \begin{array}{c} \text{CH}_3\text{O}_2\text{C} \\ \text{CH}_3$$

Isochrysohermidin

Boger J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 11418.

- The recognition of symmetry elements is not always so obvious by initial examination of the agent.

### e.g., Juncusol

### e.g., Carpanone

Chapman J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1971, 93, 6696.

- biomimetic synthesis of this agent allows for simplification.
- this is a very good example where the symmetry elements are not obvious by looking at the agent.

Corey Tetrahedron Lett. 1979, 335.

### e.g., Usnic Acid

Barton J. Chem. Soc. 1956, 530.

### e.g., Porantherine

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1974, 96, 6516.

- the symmetry elements are tucked more deeply into the structure

### b. Background Chemistry

- Information available in the literature will provide very important insights required to effectively design a synthesis.

### e.g., Quassin

- 7 stereocenters but 3 are epimerizable centers and the natural product possesses the most stable configuration, so a synthesis without stereocontrol of these 3 centers can be used (epimerize later). Need only worry about control of 4 of the 7 stereocenters.

### c. Recognize and Remove Reactive Functionality

- Another key to simplification derived from background chemistry

### e.g., Vernolepin

- $\alpha$ -Methylene lactone in a *trans* fused 5-membered ring This is extraordinarily reactive to nucleophiles (Michael). It will not stand up to many synthetic steps/reagents.
- the final step should be introduction of the reactive group.

Danishefsky *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1976**, *98*, 3028. Grieco *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1976**, *98*, 1612. Danishefsky *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, *99*, 6066.

### e.g., Precursor to aromatic amino acids

- acid sensitive (derived from background chemistry).
- a successful approach must involve generation under basic conditions.

Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 7740.

# e.g., PGI<sub>2</sub> (prostacyclin)

- enol ether sensitive to acid-catalyzed hydrolysis.

Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1977, 99, 2006.

U. von Euler, B. Katz, and Julius Axelrod received the 1970 Nobel Prize in Medicine for the discovery of hormonal transmitters in the nerve terminals and the mechanism for their storage, release, and inactivation. S. K. Bergstrom, Bengt I. Samuelsson, and J. R. Vane shared the 1982 Nobel Prize in Medicine for their discovery of the prostaglandins and related biologically active substances.

### e.g., Thromboxane A<sub>2</sub> (TXA<sub>2</sub>)

CO<sub>2</sub>H 
$$\frac{\text{pH} = 7.0}{t_{1/2} = 32 \text{ sec}}$$
  $\frac{\text{OH}}{\text{OH}}$   $\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{H}}{\text{OH}}$   $\frac{\text{CO}_2\text{H}}{\text{OH}}$  The strained acetal should be introduced late in the synthesis}  $\frac{\text{TXB}_2}{\text{TXB}_2}$ 

e.g., 
$$PGH_2$$
 (R = H)  
 $PGG_2$  (R = OH)

Still J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1985, 107, 6372.

O .... 
$$CO_2H$$
  $DH = 7.0$   $C_5H_{11}$   $CO_2H$   $DH = 7.0$   $DH = 7.$ 

Reduction / Acid-catalyzed Rearrangement

Reactive cyclic peroxide is sensitive to nucleophilic attack - introduce late in the synthesis

Porter J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1980**, 102, 1183. Salomon J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1979**, 101, 4290. Porter J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1979**, 101, 4319.

e.g., Mitomycin C - stable as the quinone

note vinylogous amide

hydroquinone - basic, nucleophilic free amine - intermediate less stable

steer clear of such synthetic intermediates

There are only two total syntheses of mitomycin C to date

Kishi *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1977**, 99, 8115. Fukuyama *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 8303.

Absolute configuration established in *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1967**, *89*, 2905 by a single crystal X-ray structure (INCORRECT).

But in the early 1980's, additional X-ray structures on related agents gave the opposite and correct absolute configuration. Take home message: Evaluate the quality of the background chemistry and assess the level of confidence and committment you want to place on it. The earlier X-ray was not on a heavy atom derivative and preceded the advances in direct methods we take for granted today.

Hirayama J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1983, 105, 7199.

A number of Nobel Prizes have chronicled the achievements of X-ray crystallography including the contributions of:

- J. Kendrew and M. Perutz (1962, heavy atoms and structure of hemoglobin).
- D Hodgkin (1964, X-ray structure determinations including vitamin B-12, penicillin and insulin).
- O. Hassel (1969, chair conformation of cyclohexane reported in 1930).
- W. N. Lipscomb (1976, borane structures and chemical bonding, structure of carboxypeptidase A in 1967).
- A. Klug (1982, elucidation of nucleic acid-protein complexes).
- H. A. Hauptman and J. Karle (1985, direct methods).
- J. Deisenhofer, R. Huber, and H. Michel (1988, structure of photosynthetic reaction center (> 10,000 atoms) and first membrane protein structure determination).

- The background chemistry can provide keys to the design of a synthetic strategy.

Mitomycin Rearrangement

Isomitomycin was isolated and characterized and provided the basis for Fukuyama's total synthesis.

trans preferred

cis less favored

A. Fleming, H. W. Florey, and E. B. Chain received the 1945 Nobel Prize in Medicine for the discovery of penicillin and its curative effects in various infectious diseases.

must protect the amine throughout the synthesis. unusual *trans* H–H relationship - easily epimerizable center and fortunately, *trans* is most stable configuration.

Grieco J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1984**, 106, 6414. Georg J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1987**, 109, 1129.

Yet - almost all the early syntheses went to great length to control this relative stereochemistry and it often, unnecessarily, added to their length.

e.g., Coriolin

introduce reactive functionality last

Danishefsky J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1981, 103, 3460.

- 4. Generation of Synthetic Pathways (Retrosynthesis) (General strategies employed in working backwards) Covered in detail in Corey *The Logic of Chemical Synthesis*, Wiley: New York, 1989, pp 1–98.
  - a. Transform-based strategies
    - powerful, simplifying transformation that reduces complexity.
    - usually very key reactions in the synthesis that dominate the approach formation of a key intermediate (i.e., the Diels–Alder transform, the aldol transform).
  - b. Structure-goal strategies
    - oldest approach.
    - in working backwards from the target molecule to the various intermediates, an intermediate may actually be located that is already in the literature or commercially available.
    - e.g., Prostaglandins

### c. Topological strategies

- strategic bond disconnections (J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 6116).
- recognize strategic bonds and remove them in the retrosynthetic direction.

### d. Stereochemical strategies

- strategies which remove the stereocenters.
- simplifying the stereochemistry of the product may be related to:
  - 1. substrate features of the substrate will permit you to solve the stereochemical problems.
  - 2. mechanism reaction mechanism will permit relative or absolute stereocontrol.

### e. Functional group strategies

- 1. Functional group interconversion (FGI)
  - don't gain much but it permits you to get from one point to another.

### 2. Functional group combination (FGC)

- combine pairs of functional groups.
- usually a ring forming reaction in the retrosynthetic direction to give you one FG rather than two.

### 3. Functional group addition (FGA)

- hard to recognize while working in the reverse direction.
- for example, introduce a double bond which then may key the recognition of a Diels-Alder reaction.

### i.e., Diels-Alder reaction

### But:

There is an alternative and still better Diels-Alder pathway that most would miss without careful consideration.

- 5. Evaluation of Pathways and Assignment of Merit
  - a. excellent knowledge of organic chemistry
  - b. suspect reactions must be recognized one poor step can ruin the synthesis
  - c. control of stereochemistry is clear
  - d. want opportunity for alternatives reactions that look good on paper aren't always successful in lab
- 6. Selection of Specific Reactions and Reagents
  - a. this also requires an excellent knowledge of organic chemistry
  - b. check the literature for alternative reagents it is wiser to change reagents than to change the entire synthesis if problems arise
  - c. many reference texts are available

Larock Comprehensive Organic Transformations
Fieser and Fieser Reagents for Organic Synthesis Vol. 1–18
Paquette Encyclopedia of Reagents for Organic Synthesis:
Handbook of Reagents for Organic Synthesis:

Coates, Denmark Reagents, Auxiliaries and Catalysts for C–C Bonds

Burke, Danheiser Oxidizing and Reducing Agents
Reich, Rigby Acidic and Basic Reagents

Pearson, Roush Activating Agents and Protecting Groups
Computer Databases CLF, Reaccs, Scifinder, Beilstein, Isis

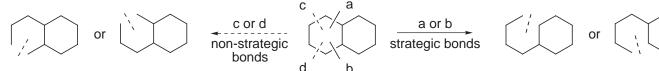
- 7. Selection of Reaction Conditions
  - a. reaction temperature
  - b. solvent
  - c. knowledge of reaction mechanism
  - d. consult current and background literature
- 8. Execution of the synthesis most difficult and time consuming element of work
  - a. easy: setting up and conducting the reaction
  - b. difficult: interpreting the results from the reaction

# C. Strategic Bond Analysis

- For bridged ring systems Corey J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 6116.
- Most desirable bond disconnections in the antithetic direction minimize:
  - 1. appendages
  - 2. appendage chiral centers
  - 3. medium or large size rings
  - 4. bridged rings
- Rule 1: Because it is easy to form common size rings, a strategic bond must be in a 4–7 membered primary ring. A primary ring is one which cannot be expressed as an envelope or two or more smaller rings. This is restricted to primary rings because ring forming reactions are strongly affected by the size of the smallest ring containing the newly forming bond.

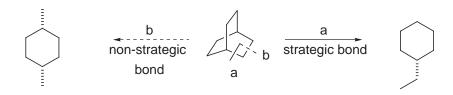
The six membered ring is not primary because it contains two smaller rings.

**Rule 2a:** A strategic bond must be directly attached to another ring (i.e. exo to another ring). This is because a ring disconnection which produces two functionalized appendages is harder to utilize than one which produces one or no functionalized appendages.

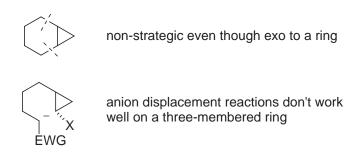


one ring appendage

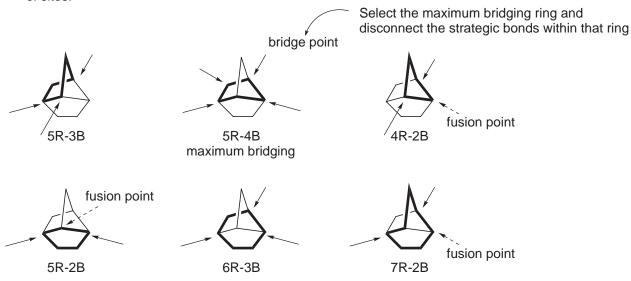
two ring appendages - more complicated



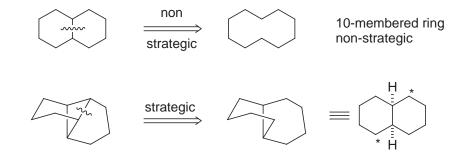
Rule 2b: A strategic bond may not be exo to a preexisting 3-membered ring.



Rule 3: Strategic bonds should be in ring(s) which exhibit the greatest degree of bridging. The maximum bridging ring is selected from the set of synthetically significant rings which is defined as the set of all primary rings plus all secondary rings which are less than 8-membered. The maximum ring is that which is bridged, not fused at the greatest number of sites.



**Rule 4:** To avoid formation of >7-membered rings during the antithetic bond cleavage, any bond common to a pair of rings whose envelope is >7 is not strategic.



# Rule 5: Bonds within aryl rings cannot be strategic.

# **Rule 6a:** If a disconnection leaves chiral atoms on the remaining arc then the disconnections cannot be strategic.

The stereochemistry is much harder to control on the acyclic precursor than on the cyclic precursor

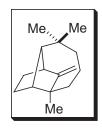
### Rule 6b: Chiral atoms may be allowed if they appear directly at the point of attachment.

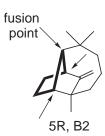
### **Rule 7:** C–X Bonds (X = heteroatom) in rings will be strategic.

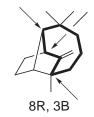
C-X bonds are easier to form than C-C

# D. Total Synthesis Exemplified with Longifolene

## 1. Strategic Bond and Retrosynthetic Analysis



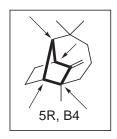




not a fusion point even though it is in a 1,2 relationship

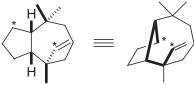
fusion, 7R, B2 point

- 8 ring secondary
- Ho disconnection (a)
- Kuo disconnection (b)





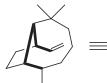
Fusion vs. bridge points: there must be at least one carbon (not in the ring in question) between the carbon in question and another carbon in the ring for it to be a bridgepoint.



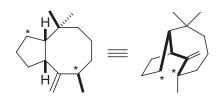




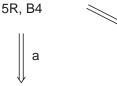


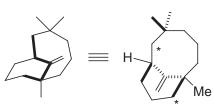












non-strategic gives 8-membered ring

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- Oppolzer but via 5-membered ring

much simpler than longifolene!

- Corey and McMurry disconnection
- Schultz disconnection
- Simultaneous or sequential b/d bond disconnection: Brieger, Fallis (Diels-Alder), Johnson (cation-olefin).
- Simultaneous a/e bond disconnection: Schultz (indirect via vinylcyclopropane rearrangement).

2. Corey Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 1251; 1964, 86, 478.

Intramolecular Michael Addition (Santonin-Santonic Acid)

Robinson Annulation

Wittig Reaction

Pinacol Ring Expansion

Dithiane Reduction

Chromatographic Resolution through Diastereomeric Derivatization (Product)

Me, Me Me

3. McMurry Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 7132.

Intramolecular Enolate-Epoxide Addition (Alkylation)

Dibromocarbene Addition, Ring Expansion

Ethyl Diazoacetate Ring Expansion

Organocuprate 1,4-Additions

Intramolecular Aldol Reaction, Transannular Reactions

Fragmentation Reaction

**4. Brieger Synthesis: (attempted)** *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1963**, *85*, 3783.

Diels-Alder Reaction

Intramolecular Diels-Alder Reaction

1,5-Hydrogen Migration of Cyclopentadienes

5. Johnson Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1975, 97, 4777.

Organocuprate 1,4-Addition, Regiospecific Enolate Trap

Cation-Olefin Cyclization

6. Oppolzer Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1978, 100, 2583.

Helv. Chim. Acta 1984, 67, 1154.

**Enamine Acylation** 

Photochemical [2 + 2] Cycloaddition

Retro-Aldol Fragmentation Reaction

Wittig Reaction

Simmons-Smith Cyclopropanation

Hydrogenation of Cyclopropanes

Classical Resolution via Crystallization of Diastereomeric Salts

7. Schultz Synthesis:

J. Org. Chem. 1985, 50, 915.

Birch Reductive Alkylation

Retro Cheletropic Cycloaddition

1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition

Vinylcyclopropane Rearrangement

Asymmetric Synthesis via Substrate Chiral Auxiliary

8. Fallis Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1990, 112, 4609.

J. Org. Chem. 1993, 58, 2186.

Intramolecular Diels-Alder Reaction

Barton Free Radical Deoxygenation Reaction

Acetate Pyrolysis

Chromatographic Resolution through Diastereomeric Derivatization (Starting Material)

9. Kuo Synthesis:

Can J. Chem. 1988, 66, 1794.

Intramolecular Aldol Addition

Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement

10. Ho Synthesis:

Can J. Chem. 1992, 70, 1375.

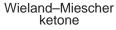
Ethyl Diazoacetate Ring Expansion

Alkylative Esterification

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J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1961, 83, 1251. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1964, 86, 478.

Intramolecular Michael Addition Robinson Annulation Wittig Reaction Pinacol Ring Expansion Dithiane Reduction Chromatographic Resolution through Diastereomeric Derivatization (Product)



Me<sub>||</sub> HO cat H+, 60%  $C_6H_6-H_2O$ 

0

MeCH=PPh<sub>3</sub> 96%

**Robinson Annulation** 

Ketone Reactivities

Wittig Reaction

LiCIO<sub>4</sub> CaCO<sub>3</sub>, THF 50 °C, 2.5 d Pinacol Rearrangement

Š ŌH OH

2 N HCI 100 °C, 24 h

ethylene glycol 225 °C

Intramolecular Michael Addition

Reduction

10-20%

0.95 equiv Ph<sub>3</sub>CLi; CH<sub>3</sub>I 60%

Thermodynamic Enolate

Me Me SΗ HS BF<sub>3</sub>•OEt<sub>2</sub> SiO<sub>2</sub> separation

Diastereomeric Derivatization and Chromatographic Resolution

1. MeLi, 93% 2. SOCl<sub>2</sub>, pyr

### Osmylation

 large reagent reacts preferentially with more accessible double bond and from the least hindered face.
 Typically, this is from the equatorial direction but one 1,3-diaxial H is removed and axial approach now observed

### Selective Tosylation

- rates:  $1^{\circ} > 2^{\circ} > 3^{\circ}$
- 3° alcohols react very slowly
- MsCl and Et<sub>3</sub>N generates sulfene which will react with 1°, 2°, 3° OH to give the mesylate

- Also note the use of DMAP to acylate 3° alcohols via R + N

### Pinacol Rearrangement

- LiClO<sub>4</sub> used as source of free Li<sup>+</sup> ion to accelerate solvolytic loss of TsO group
- migration of unsaturated alkyl group observed preferentially
- trans antiperiplanar arrangement

### Intramolecular Michael Addition

- only cis product undergoes Michael
- side products include the retro-Michael product A and the OH<sup>-</sup> addition and retro aldol product B

Thio-ketalization (Derivatization)

- other carbonyl much more hindered
- diastereomers arise that are separable by conventional chromatography

### Desulfurization

- direct Wolff-Kishner failed
- LiAIH<sub>4</sub> protects ketone from reduction
- today: Ra-Ni better for desulfurization and would avoid need to protect ketone
- Wolff–Kishner reduction of dithiane similar to Huang–Minlon protocol of Wolff–Kishner reduction for carbonyl removal (Huang, Minlon *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1946**, *68*, 2487; **1949**, *71*, 3301), van Tamelen *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1961**, *83*, 4302.

### Wolff-Kishner

Wolff Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem. 1912, 394, 86.

Further improvements <sup>t</sup>BuOK, DMSO, 25 °C Cram *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1962**, *84*, 1734.

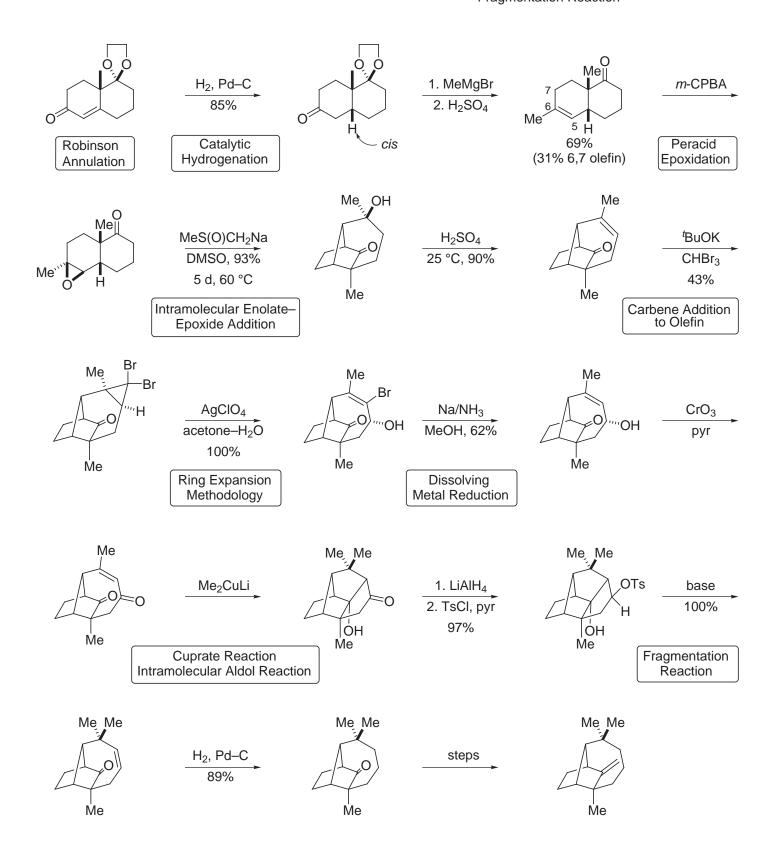
### Olefination

- Wittig reaction unsuccessful, ketone too hindered
- two-step procedure adopted

### 3. McMurry Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1972, 94, 7132.

Intramolecular Enolate—Epoxide Addition
Dibromocarbene Addition, Ring Expansion
Ethyl Diazoacetate Ring Expansion
Organocuprate 1,4-Additions
Intramolecular Aldol Reaction
Transannular Reactions
Fragmentation Reaction



# Hydrogenation

- known conditions to give cis stereochemistry
- H<sub>2</sub> comes in from less hindered face
- heteroatoms can also direct H<sub>2</sub> to their face

# Acid-catalyzed Elimination

- cis ring fusion prefers  $\Delta^{2,3}$  double bond
- *trans* ring fusion prefers  $\Delta^{3,4}$  double bond
- known from steroid chemistry

### **Epoxidation**

- epoxidation from the least hindered face
- no competitive Baeyer-Villiger at ketone
- trisubstituted olefin more reactive than ketone

### Intramolecular Epoxide Addition

- very slow epoxide opening due to steric encumbrance of Me group
- benefits from irreversible nature of epoxide opening

# Alternate route attempted: Ме 1. BH<sub>3</sub>•THF -OOH 2. H<sub>2</sub>Cr<sub>2</sub>O<sub>7</sub> Йe Мe Me, Me Ph<sub>3</sub>CLi CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub> failed ring AICI<sub>3</sub> Mel expansion Me

### Alternate Route

- hydroboration-oxidation gave ketone
- methylation conditions specifically employed to avoid over-methylation
- ring expansion with  $\mathrm{CH_2N_2}$  did not proceed

A 
$$\delta^+$$

$$+ CH_2 - N \equiv N$$
major
$$- N \equiv N$$

$$CH_2 - N \equiv N$$

$$+ CH_2 - N \equiv N$$

$$CHBr_3 + KO'Bu \longrightarrow :CBr_2 \longrightarrow \bigcirc C$$

$$\downarrow \uparrow \\ R$$

$$\downarrow R$$

Diazomethane Ring Expansion

- CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub> poor nucleophile
- AlCl<sub>3</sub> added to activate carbonyl
- many side reactions possible
- CH<sub>2</sub>N<sub>2</sub> explosive, difficult to use
- products equally reactive toward additional expansions/epoxidations
- TMSCHN<sub>2</sub> is a safe alternative to diazomethane CHN<sub>2</sub>, a yellow gas, which typically is prepared in situ in special apparatus to diminish the chance of detonation

## Diazoacetate Ring Expansion

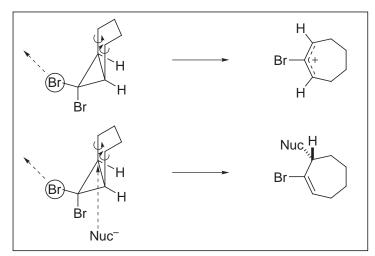
- improvement over diazomethane
- product in enol form and will not further react with reagent
- reagent stable, transportable and readily available
- ultimately employed in the later Ho synthesis

Carbene Addition and Ring Expansion

- singlet carbene has electrophilic character, and undergoes stereospecific reaction with olefins (no scrambling as observed with triplet carbene)
- Br can donate electrons into the empty p-orbital, thus stabilizing the singlet carbene
- cheletropic cycloaddition occurs with olefin geometry maintained via a  $\pi^2 s + \omega^2 a$  cycloaddition

# Disrotatory Ring Opening of Halocyclopropanes

- leaving group will influence direction of ring opening
- departure of LG simultaneous with disrotatory ring opening
- substituents *syn* to the departing group will move towards one another while they move away from each other if *anti* leaving group. Since this system is confined to a 7-membered ring, the R groups must move toward each other to give the compact alkyl cation and it is the *syn* bromide that is lost



### In Fused Bicyclic Systems

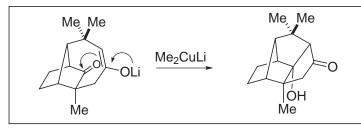
- imposed geometry of ring controls opening and directs leaving group
- nucleophile comes in trans to departing Br
- exception: bicyclo[5.1.0]octane can give the *trans* double bond via outward rotation
- Chem. Commun. 1967, 294.
- Chem. Commun. 1968, 1593.
- J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1970, 92, 2566.

## McMurry Application

- ring controls geometry of ring opening, thus only one bromine departs
- nucleophile (OH<sub>2</sub>) enters trans to leaving Br
- no trap at other end of allyl cation possible assistance of C=O

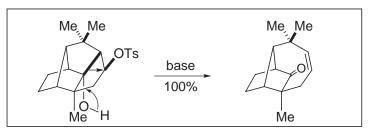
### **Dissolving Metal Reduction**

- stereochemistry of reduced OH most stable product
- reduction of the vinyl halide



### Cuprate Addition - Intramolecular Aldol Reaction

- cuprate adds in Michael fashion to generate enolate
- enolate then attacks carbonyl in intramolecular fashion



### Fragmentation

- reduction occurs from least hindered face
- tosylation selective for 2° > 3°

### 4. Brieger Synthesis: (attempted) J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1963, 85, 3783.

Diels—Alder Reaction Intramolecular Diels—Alder Reaction 1,5-Hydrogen Migration of Cyclopentadienes

Me OAc 
$$\frac{HCl(g)-HOAc}{0 \text{ °C}, 50\%}$$
  $\frac{175 \text{ °C}}{48 \text{ h}, 90\%}$   $\frac{175 \text{ °C}}{48 \text{ h$ 

Snowden Tetrahedron Lett. 1981, 22, 97 and 101.

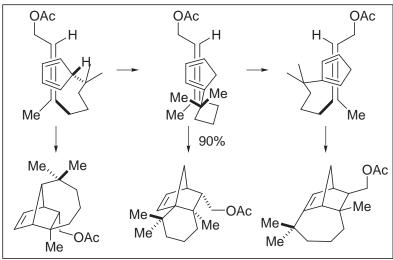
# **Grignard Addition**

- alkylation at 3° center!
- nonbasic reagent, E2/E1 elimination not observed

$$\begin{array}{c|c} H & 1,5-H \\ \hline R & shift & H \\ \hline R & R & H \\ \end{array}$$

### 1,5 H-Shift

- proceeds at 0 °C
- causes failure of desired [4 + 2] cycloaddition for longifolene above



### Intramolecular Diels-Alder

- at 175  $^{\circ}\text{C},$  all three 1,5-H shift products present
- provide three different possible products
- only one product observed

### 5. Johnson Synthesis:

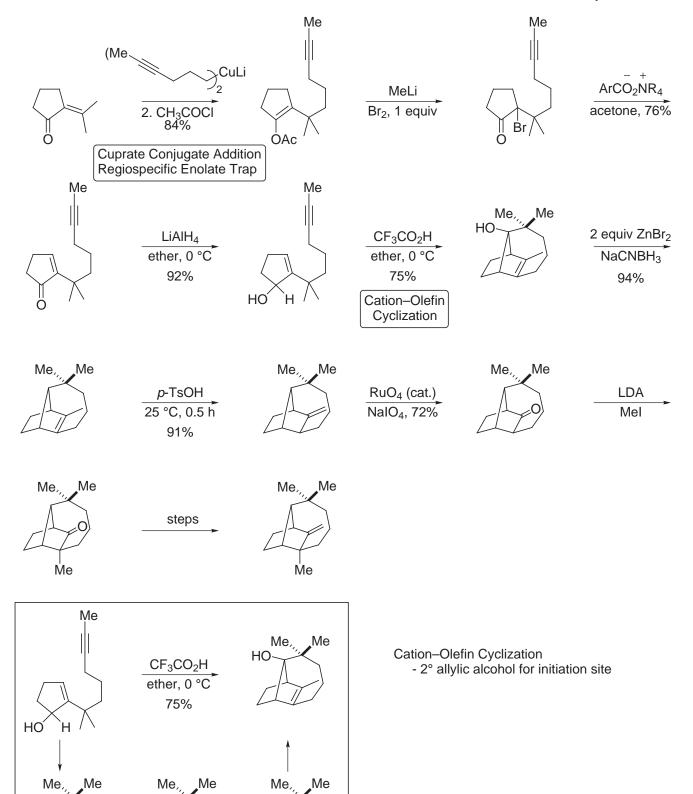
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Organocuprate 1,4-Addition Regiospecific Enolate Trap Cation-Olefin Cyclization

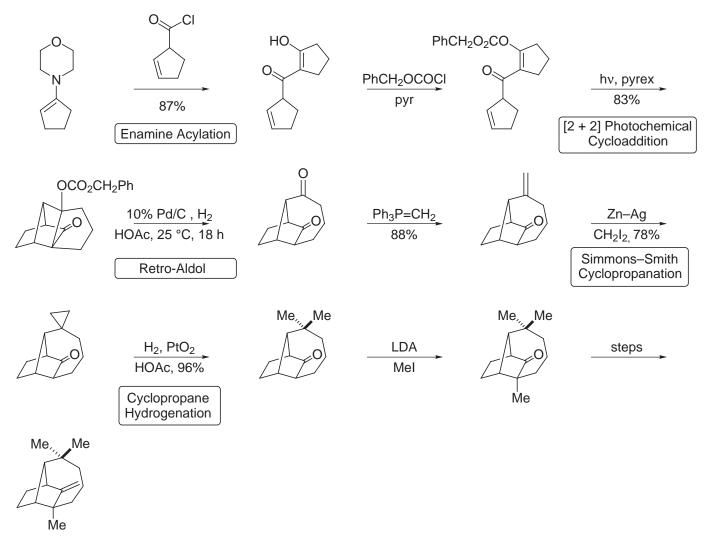


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### 6. Oppolzer Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1978**, 100, 2583. Helv. Chim. Acta **1984**, 67, 1154.

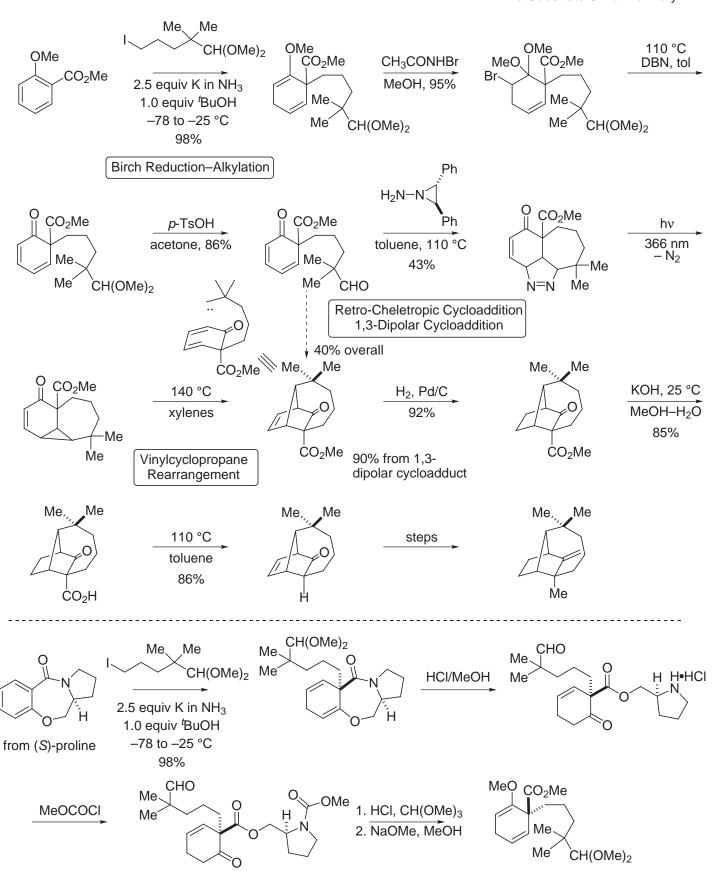
Enamine Acylation
Photochemical [2 + 2] Cycloaddition
Retro-Aldol Reaction
Wittig Reaction
Simmons—Smith Cyclopropanation
Hydrogenation of Cyclopropanes
Classical Resolution via Crystallization
of Diastereomeric Salts



### 7. Schultz Synthesis:

J. Org. Chem. 1985, 50, 915.

Birch Reductive Alkylation Retro Cheletropic Cycloaddition 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition Vinylcyclopropane Rearrangement Asymmetric Synthesis via Substrate Chiral Auxiliary



Retro Cheletropic Cycloaddition and Subsequent 1,3-Dipolar Cycloaddition

Vinylcyclopropane Rearrangement - [1,3]-sigmatropic rearrangement

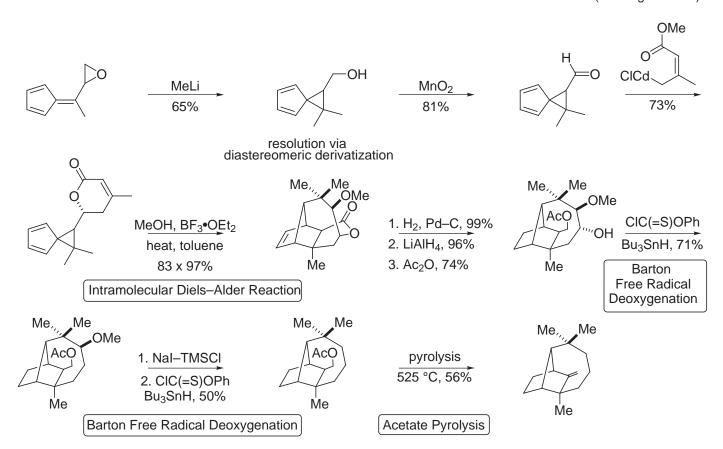
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 $O$ 
 $CO_2Me$ 
 $Me$ 
 $O$ 
 $O$ 
 $O$ 
 $O$ 
 $O$ 
 $O$ 

- This sequence is equivalent to adding the elements of a carbene 1,4 across a diene
- Is this 4e<sup>-</sup> + 2e<sup>-</sup> cycloaddition possible? Consider the Woodward–Hoffmann rules.

### 8. Fallis Synthesis:

J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1990**, 112, 4609. J. Org. Chem. **1993**, 58, 2186.

Intramolecular Diels-Alder Reaction
Barton Free Radical Deoxygenation Reaction
Acetate Pyrolysis
Chromatographic Resolution through
Diastereomeric Derivatization (Starting Material)



3-exo-tet cyclization

Barton Free Radical Deoxygenation - mild method for removal of

### Acetate Pyrolysis

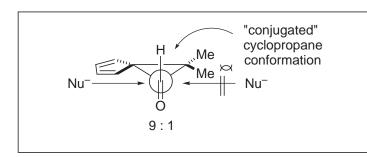
alcohols

- a retro ene reaction
- comparable to the sulfoxide syn elimination (Trost) which is activated by an adjacent EWG
- comparable to the selenoxide syn elimination (Reich) which is milder, faster and proceeds at lower temperature

Intramolecular Diels-Alder Reaction

- constraints of the 6-membered ring precludes reaction from the other cyclopentadiene isomers and lactone stereochemistry dictates  $\pi$ -facial selectivity

 MnO<sub>2</sub> serves to oxidize cyclopropyl alcohol analogous to allylic alcohol oxidation



- Cadmium reagent for  $\alpha\text{-versus }\gamma\text{-enolate}$  reaction
- Diastereoselective addition

Nal-TMSCI deprotection

dealkylative S<sub>N</sub>2 methyl ether deprotection

9. Kuo Synthesis:

Can J. Chem. 1988, 66, 1794.

Intramolecular Aldol Addition Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement

1. Br<sub>2</sub>, HBr, HOAc 2. Br<sub>2</sub>, CISO<sub>3</sub>H

3. Zn, HOAc

4. KI, DMSO, 110 °C

5. TMSCI, HOCH2CH2OH

NaCN, DMSO

NC

TMSO. 2. K, HMPA

TMSO.

1. HCI

MeÖ 2. PDC, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> 3. HC(OMe)<sub>3</sub>, CeCl<sub>3</sub>

MeO

LDA, -78 °C **TMSCI** 

MeO MeO

TiCl<sub>4</sub>, –78 °C

MeO

1. Ca/NH<sub>3</sub> 2. Ac<sub>2</sub>O, DMAP

Intramolecular Mukaiyama Aldol MeO ÓАс

1. BBr<sub>3</sub>, Nal 2. PDC, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

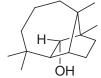
3. Ph<sub>3</sub>P=CHBr, BuLi, -78 °C

4. LiAlH<sub>4</sub>

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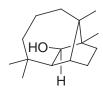
 $Et_2Zn$  $CH_2I_2$ 

HOAc, 2.5 atm



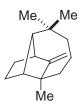
**PCC** CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>

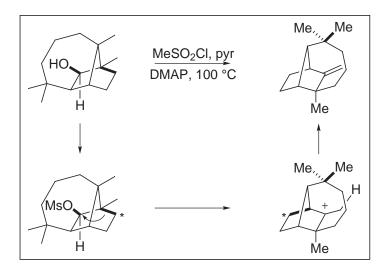
LiAlH<sub>4</sub>



MeSO<sub>2</sub>CI, pyr DMAP, 100 °C

Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement





Wagner-Meerwein Rearrangement

### 10. Ho Synthesis:

Can J. Chem. 1992, 70, 1375.

Ethyl Diazoacetate Ring Expansion Alkylative Esterification

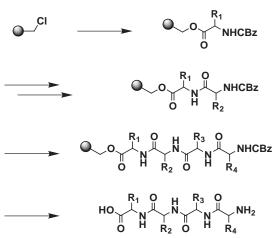
- S<sub>N</sub>2 Dealkylative Deesterification followed by decarboxylation of the β-keto acid
- Alkylative Esterification

# **XIV. Combinatorial Chemistry**

# **Combinatorial Chemistry Reviews**

- A Practical Guide to Combinatorial Chemistry; Czarnik, A. W. and DeWitt, S. H., Eds.; ACS: Washington, D. C., 1997.
- Molecular Diversity and Combinatorial Chemistry: Libraries and Drug Discovery; Chaiken, I. N.; Janda, K. D., Eds.; ACS: Washington, D. C., 1996.
- Balkenhohl, F. et al. Combinatorial Synthesis of Small Organic Molecules, Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Eng. 1996, 35, 2288.
- Ellman, J. A. et al. Synthesis and Applications of Small Molecule Libraries, Chem. Rev. 1996, 96, 555.
- Gordon, E. M. et al. Applications of Combinatorial Technologies to Drug Discovery. 1. Background and Peptide Combinatorial Libraries, J. Med. Chem. 1994, 37, 1233.
- Gordon, E. M. et al. Applications of Combinatorial Technologies to Drug Discovery. 2. Combinatorial Organic Synthesis, Library Screening Strategies, and Future Directions, J. Med. Chem. 1994, 37, 1385.
- Pavia, M. R., Sawyer, T. K. and Moos, W. H., Eds.; **The Generation of Molecular Diversity**, *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett. Symposia-in-print no. 4.* **1993**, *3*, 381. (First Review Treatment of Field).
- Combinatorial Peptide and Nonpeptide Libraries: a Handbook; Jung, G., Ed.; VCH: Weinheim, 1996.
- Combinatorial Chemistry; Terrett, N. K.; Oxford Univ. Press: Oxford, UK, 1998.
- Obrecht, D.; Villalgordo, J. M.; Solid-Supported Combinatorial and Parallel Synthesis of Small-Molecular-Weight Compound Libraries; Pergamon/ Elsevier, 1998.
- Boger, D. L., Ed.; Combinatorial Chemistry, Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett. Symposia-in-print no. 14. 1998, 8, 2273.
- An Information Revolution, Science 2000, 287, 1951–1981.

### **Solid Phase Peptide Synthesis**



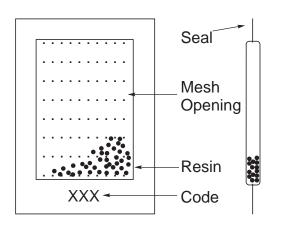
- Attach first amino acid to (chloromethylated) polymer bead
- Deprotect (HBr), Couple (DCC), Cap (acetic anhydride)
- · Repeat coupling cycle
- Deprotect, Saponify, Purify
- Allows excess use of reagents and reactants to force reaction to completion
- Removal of reagents, reactants and byproducts by filtration

Merrifield, R. B. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1963**, 85, 2149. Nobel Prize, 1984 "for his development of methodology for chemical synthesis on a solid matrix"

### **Additional Highlights in Solid Phase Synthesis**

- 1965: Letsinger and Khorana, the application of solid supports for the synthesis of oligonucleosides (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* 1965, 87, 3526 and 1966, 88, 3182)
- 1967: J. Frechet, a highly loaded trityl resin (2.0 mmol/g)
- 1967: Wilkinson *et al.*, polymer-bound tris(triphenylphosphine)chlororhodium as hydrogenation catalyst (*J. Chem. Soc. A* 1967, 1574)
- 1969: Solid-phase synthesis of Ribonuclease (J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1969, 91, 501)
- **1971**: Frechet and Schuerch pioneered solid-phase chemistry in the field of carbohydrate research (*J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1971**, *93*, 492)
- 1973: Leznoff *et al.*, the use of polymer supports for the mono-deprotection of symmetrical dialdehydes, describing oxime formation, Wittig reaction, crossed aldol condensation, benzoin condensation, and Grignard reaction on solid support (*Can. J. Chem.* 1973, *51*, 3756)
- 1974: F. Camps et al., the first synthesis of benzodiazepines on solid support (An. Quim. 1974, 70, 848)
- 1976: Rapoport and Crowley, published a review and raised three important questions
  - degree of separation of resin-bound functionalities
  - analytical methods to follow reactions on solid support
  - nature and kinetics of competing side reactions (*Acc. Chem. Res.* **1976**, *9*, 135)
- 1976–1978: Leznoff et al., the synthesis of insect sex attractants (Can. J. Chem. 1977, 55, 1143)
- 1979: Leznoff et al., a chiral linker for the asymmetric synthesis of (S)-2-methylcyclohexanone in 95% ee (Angew. Chem. 1979, 91, 255)

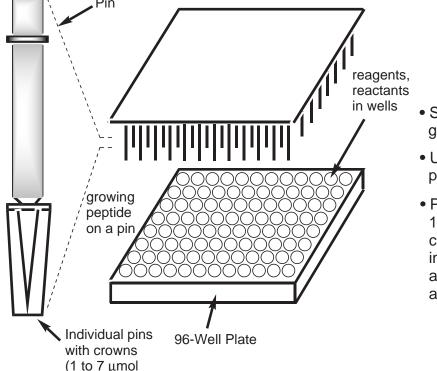
### **Tea-Bag Method**



- 10 to 20 mg of 248 different 13-residue peptides
- Sequence
- 1. Deprotection
- 2. Wash
- 3. Coupling
- 4. Wash
- 5. HF Cleavage

Houghten, R. A. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 1985, 82, 5131.

### **Multipin Peptide Synthesis**



loading capacity)

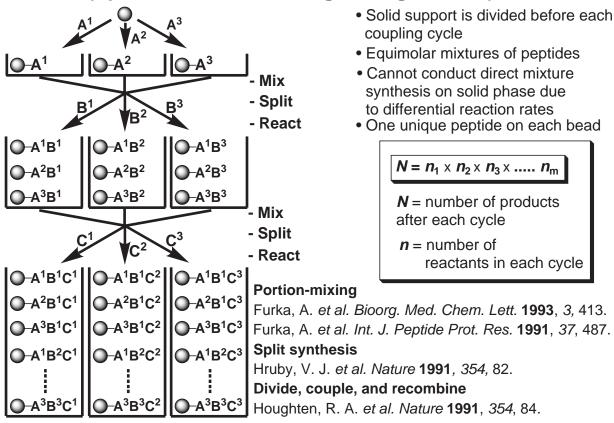
 Synthesize on polyacrylategrafted polyethylene rods

Repeat

- Utilize conventional solid phase synthesis methods
- Preparation of up to 10,000 spatially separate compounds using inexpensive equipment and readily available automation

Geysen, H. M. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 1984, 81, 3998. Zuckermann, R. N. et al. Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett. 1993, 3, 463.

# Split and Mix Solid Phase Synthesis (Split-Method, Portioning-Mixing Method)



### **Generation of Combinatorial Antibody Libraries**

Use of bacteriophage lambda vector to express in *E. coli* a combinatorial library of Fab fragments

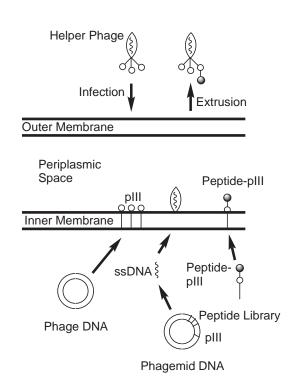
#### Sequence:

First step: Separation of heavy and light chain libraries which are constructed in  $\lambda Hc2$  and  $\lambda Lc1$ 

Second Step: Combination of two libraries are combined at the antisymmetric *Eco R* sites present in each vector

This results in a library of clones each of which potentially coexpresses a heavy and a light chain

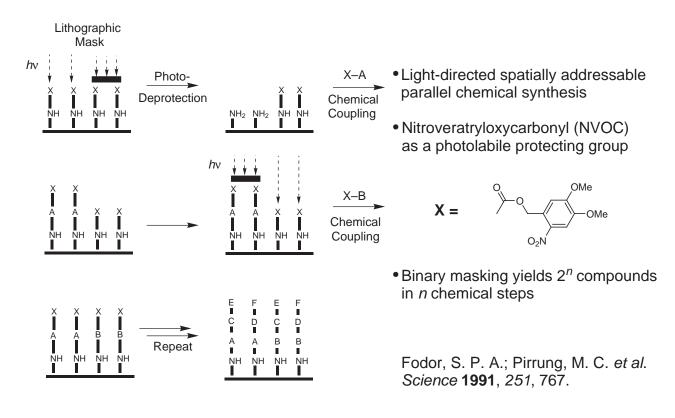
### **Phage Display**



- The general concept is one in which a library of peptides is presented on the surface of a bacteriophage such that each phage displays a unique peptide and contains within each genome the corresponding DNA sequence
- Very quick and efficient generation of large combinatorial libraries of peptide fragments
- Screen by panning and enrichment
- Identify by DNA sequence

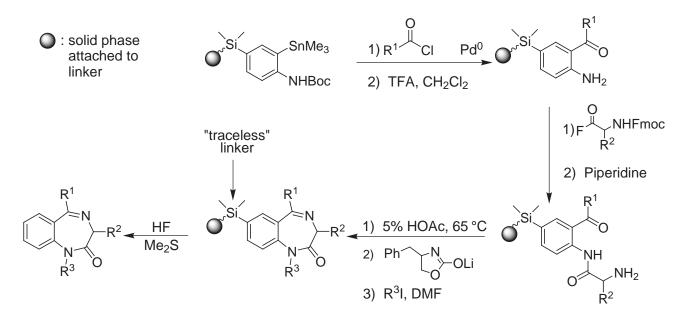
Smith, G. P. et al. Science 1990, 249, 386.

# Very Large Scale Immobilized Polymer Synthesis (VLSIPS)



### **Solid Phase Synthesis of 1,4-Benzodiazepines**

Application of solid-phase combinatorial synthesis to non-oligomeric compounds



Ellman, J. A. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1992**, 114, 10997. DeWitt, S. H. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA **1993**, 90, 6909.

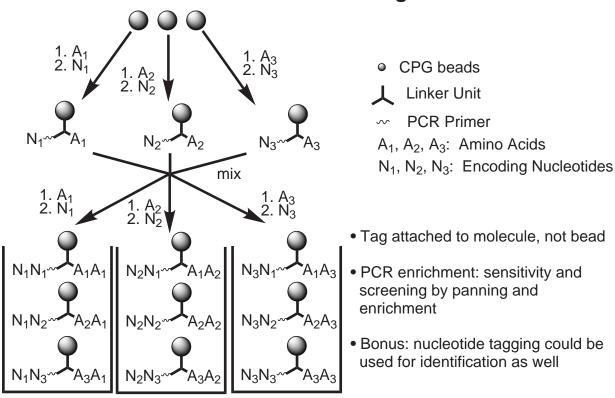
### **Resin Release Only of Product**

First Example: Rapoport, H.; Crowley, J. I. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1970**, *92*, 6363. (Dieckmann condensation)

 Insures product purity without deliberate purification and independent of overall conversion The desired products are formed by acid-catalyzed cyclization and only with cleavage off the solid support

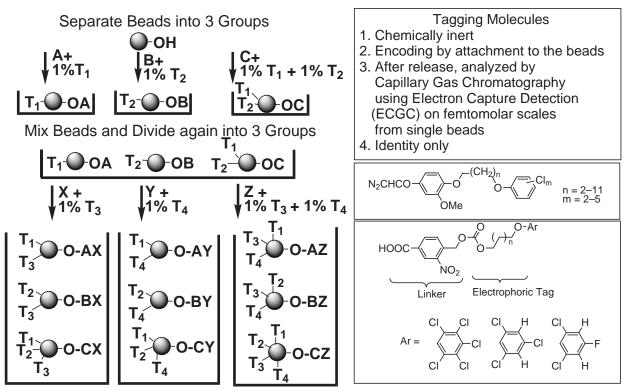
DeWitt, S. H. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 1993, 90, 6909.

### **Nucleotide Encoding**



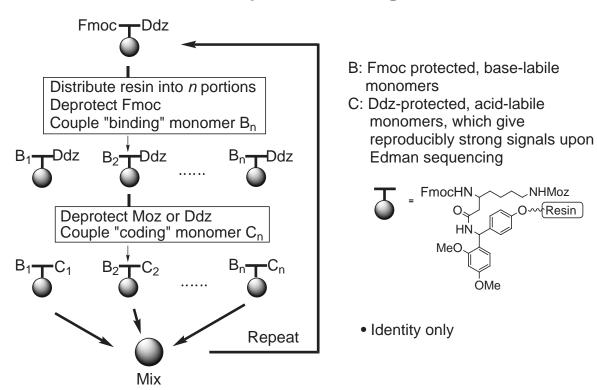
Janda, K. D. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1993**, 115, 9812. Brenner, S.; Lerner, R. A. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA **1992**, 89, 5381.

### Split Synthesis ENCODED with Tagging Molecules (T<sub>1</sub>-T<sub>4</sub>)



Still, W. C. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 1993, 90, 10922; Acc. Chem. Res. 1996, 29, 155.

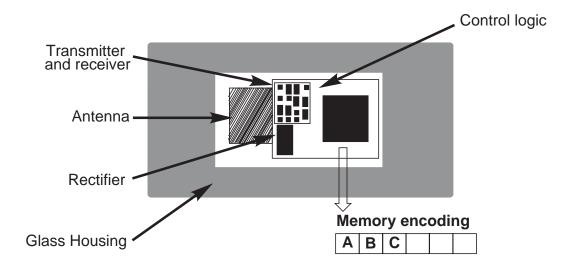
### **Peptide Encoding**



Zuckermann, R. N. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1993, 115, 2529.

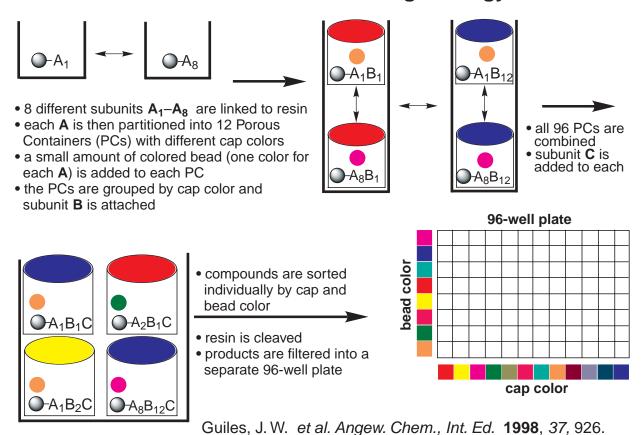
### **Electronic Encoding**

- Radiofrequency memory chips allow libraries to be tagged in a machine-readable form
- The chips (8 x 1 mm) can be incorporated into various reaction platforms (e.g. beads, tubes, bags, pins or cans)

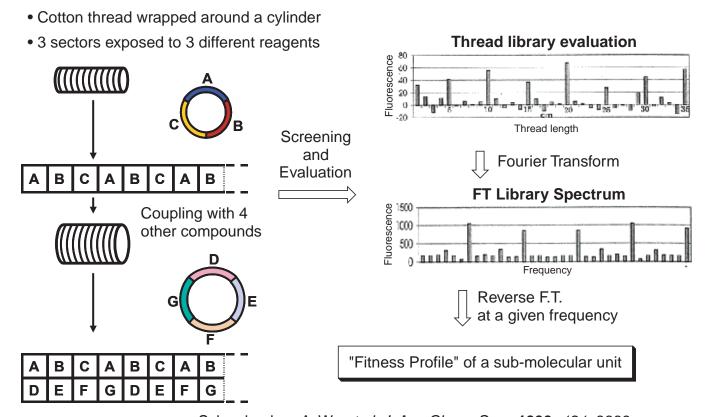


Nova, M. P.; Nicoloau, K. C. et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Eng. 1995, 34, 2289. Armstrong, R. W. et al. J. Am. Chem Soc. 1995, 117, 10787.

### **Noncovalent Color-Coding Strategy**

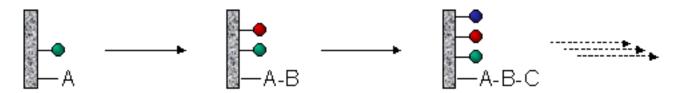


### **Fourier Transform Combinatorial Chemistry**

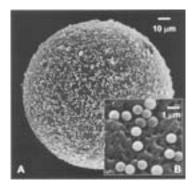


Schwabacher, A. W. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 8669.

# **Toward Larger Chemical Libraries: Encoding Fluorescent Colloids**



Solid support bead with numerous silica particles ("reporter")



- The fluorescent "reporter" is introduced during the Split & Pool synthesis
- Each particle contains a fluorescent dye (or a combination) coding for a single monomer
- "Decoding" the bead (by fluorescence microscopy) allows identification of the compound

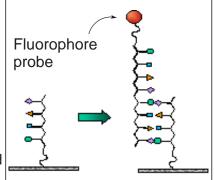
Trau, M. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 2138.

### Microarray Screening: Immobilized Target or Compound

## Membrane Printing: the SPOT technique<sup>1</sup>

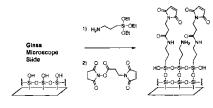
- Peptide synthesis on paper using "Fmoc/tBu" scheme
- The molecule or synthesis is arrayed by dispensing small droplets in pre-defined areas
- Automation of the technique allows miniaturization of the process and creates high-through put systems

#### DNA Microarray: Printing oligonucleotide<sup>2</sup>

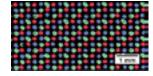


- Covalent immobilization of oligonucleotides on support with high-density arrays
- Detection of DNA/DNA or DNA/RNA interactions for expression analysis, genomics, and cellular response to small molecules

## Printing small molecules on a glass surface<sup>3</sup>



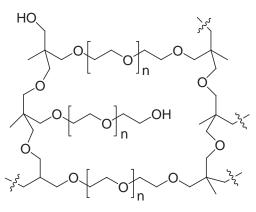
- Covalent immobilization of the compound on the glass surface support
- Incubation with the target
- Detection by fluorescence

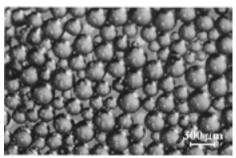


> 1000 spots per cm<sup>2</sup>

- <sup>1</sup> Frank, R. et al. in *Peptide and Nonpeptide Libraries*, Jung, G., Ed., 1996, 363.
- <sup>2</sup> Niemeyer, C. M. et. al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **1999**, 38, 2865.
- <sup>3</sup> Schreiber, S. L. et. al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1999**, 121, 7967.

### **Screening Mixtures of Beads (Compounds)**





 Super permeable resin for organic combinatorial chemistry (SPOCC) fully compatible with organic chemistry and enzyme assays (polyether polymer)

Meldal, M. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1999, 121, 5459.

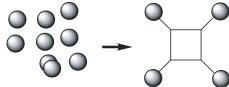
- Peptide substrates contain a fluorescent dye and a quencher for use in fluorescent resonance energy transfer (FRET) assay
- Cleavage of the resin bound substrates leads to formation of strongly fluorescent beads
- Identification of active compounds by MALDI-MS of fluorescent beads

Meldal, M. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1992**, 33, 3077. Meldal, M. *et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* **1994**, 91, 3314. Meldal, M. *et al. Biochem. J.* **1997**, 323, 427.

### One-Step Mixture Synthesis and Deconvolution "Activated Core Approach"



Core molecules: 3 Tetraacid chlorides



Building blocks: 19 amino acids

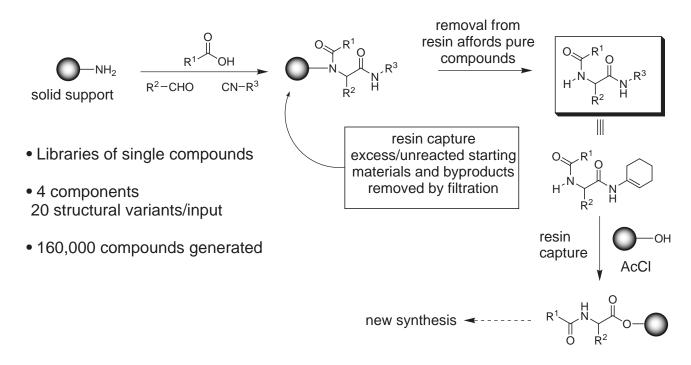
Library size: A1: 11,191 A2: 65,341 A3: 1,330

Deconvolution by Omission Resynthesis

- 1. Libraries A1-A3 to find best core molecule
- 2. Sublibraries B1–B6 to find best 9 building block amino acids (AA)
- 3. Sublibraries C1–C7 to check if the selected 9 AA are the best combination
- 4. Sublibraries D1-D9 to find the best 5 AA
- 5. Sublibraries E1–E7 to find the best 3 or 4 groupings of the 5 AA
- 6. Sublibraries F1–F6 to find the best relative position of the 4 AA on the core
- 7. Single compounds G1–G3 synthesized and the best inhibitor of trypsin determined

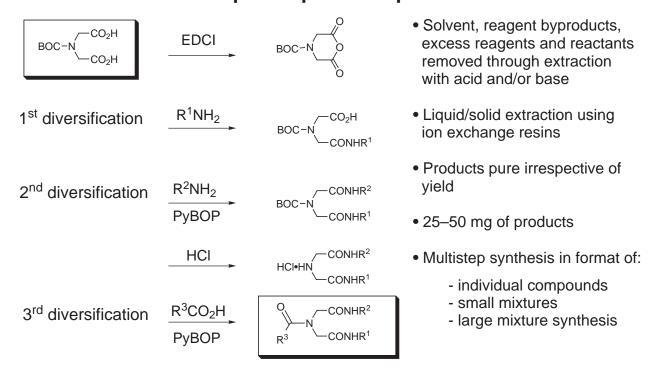
Rebek, J. Jr., et al. Chem. Biol. 1995, 2, 171.

### **Multicomponent One-Step Mixture Synthesis**



Armstrong, R.W. et al. Acc. Chem. Res. 1996, 29, 123. Ugi, I. et al. Endeavour 1994, 18, 115.

# Multistep Solution Phase Synthesis of Combinatorial Libraries Purification via Liquid/Liquid or Liquid/Solid Extraction



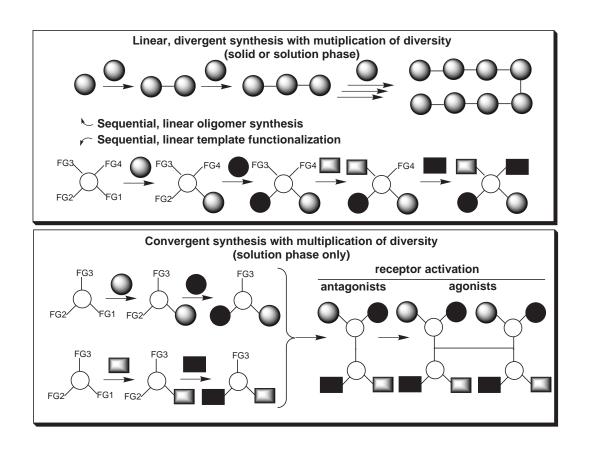
Boger, D. L. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 2567.

#### **Multistep Convergent Solution Phase Combinatorial Synthesis**

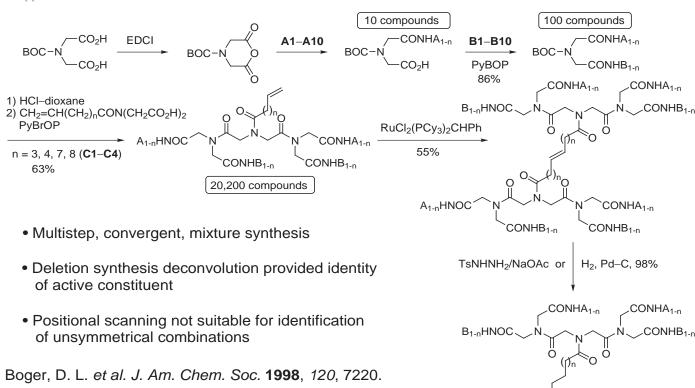
Boger, D. L. et al. Tetrahedron **1998**, *54*, 3955. Boger, D. L. et al. Bioorg. Med. Chem. **1998**, *6*, 1347.

metathesis

 Final dimerization has been achieved via peptide coupling with diacids or olefin



Boger, D. L. et al. Tetrahedron 1998, 54, 3955; J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 7220.



# Identification of Potent Inhibitors of Angiogenesis via Inhibition of MMP2 Binding to Integrin $\alpha_V \beta_3$

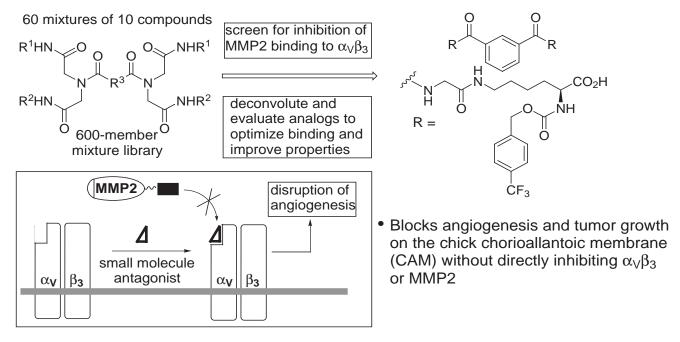
114,783,975 compounds

A<sub>1-n</sub>HNOC

CONHB<sub>1-n</sub>

CONHA<sub>1-n</sub>

CONHB<sub>1-n</sub>



Boger, D. L. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2001, 123, 1280.

8 step total synthesis of

### **Application of Multistep Solution Phase Synthesis of** Libraries via Liquid-Liquid and Liquid-Solid Extraction

**Distamycin A:** Naturally occurring polyamide composed of repeating heterocyclic amino acids and a basic side chain

Solution phase combinatorial chemistry using 10-12 different heterocyclic amino

Comparison of results from testing in different formats:

distamycin A: 40% overall >95% purity at each step A subunit B subunit Мe C subunit acids and liquid-liquid acid/base extraction for purification Me  $NH_2$ O Ме Ö NH

Small mixture libraries 1320 compounds (10 x 11 x 12) (132 mixtures of 10 compounds each)

First generation libraries of potential DNA binding agents Derivatization of mixture libraries with a basic side-chain

compounds each) 2640 analogs in prototype library

Large mixture scanning libraries

1000 compounds (10 x 10 x 10)

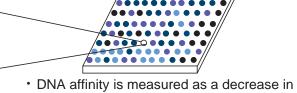
(30 scanning library mixtures of 100

Second generation libraries of potential DNA binding agents with increased affinity

Boger, D. L.; Fink, B. E.; Hedrick, M. P. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2000, 122, 6382.

### Rapid, High Throughput Screen for DNA Binding Affinity and Establishment of DNA Binding Selectivity

Identify compounds with affinity for single sequence of interest or define sequence selectivity of a compound against library of all sequences

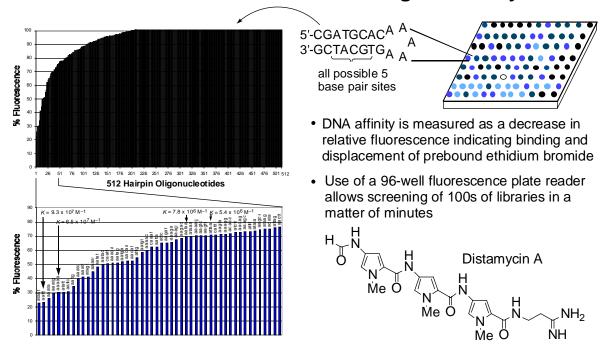


- Establish relative or absolute binding constants
- Libraries used at a single concentration during first round of testing or at several concentrations to determine binding constant
- relative fluorescence indicating binding and displacement of prebound ethidium bromide Use of a 96-well fluorescence plate reader
- allows screening of 100s of libraries in a matter of minutes
- Library of compounds against a single sequence in form of hairpin oligonucleotide
- Single compound assayed against a full library of hairpin oligonucleotide sequences to establish DNA binding selectivity (Profiling DNA binding selectivity)
- Library of compounds assayed against a library of DNA sequences

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# Application of Multistep Solution Phase Synthesis of Libraries via Liquid-Liquid and Liquid-Solid Extraction

**Azatriostin A**: cyclic octapeptide, close analogue of the natural occurring depsipeptide Triostin A, an antitumor antibiotic which binds to DNA by bisintercalation

HUN-7293: cyclic heptadepsipeptide potent inhibitor of cell adhesion molecule expression exhibiting anti-inflammatory properties

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$$R^{1} = N$$

$$N =$$

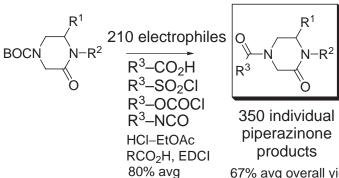
Azatriostin A: Boger, D. L.; Lee, J. K. *J. Org. Chem.* **2000**, *65*, 5996. HUN-7293: Boger, D. L.; Chen, Y. *Bioorg. Med. Chem. Lett.* **2000**, *10*, 1741.

### Multistep Solution Phase Synthesis of Nonamide-Based Libraries with Purification by Liquid-Liquid Extractions

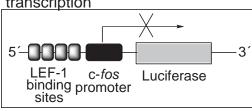
3 Grignard R1 5 amines reagents BOCN O 
$$R^2-MgX$$
 NaBH(OAc)<sub>3</sub>

liquid-liquid acid/base extractions

Isolation and purification by



 Potent inhibitors of LEF-1/β-catenin mediated gene transcription



67% avg overall yield, >95% pure

Boger, D. L. et al. Helv. Chim. Acta, 2000, 83, 1825.

### **Polymer-supported Scavenging Reagents**

I. polymer-supported reagent

$$A \xrightarrow{\text{(> 1eq)}} A-B + \text{($\rightarrow$ x } \xrightarrow{\text{filter}} A-B$$

II. polymer-supported catalyst

A + B 
$$\xrightarrow{(< \text{1eq})}$$
 A-B +  $\xrightarrow{\text{filter}}$  A-B

III. polymer-supported scavenging reagent •lonic scavengers: a series of anion and (excess reagents, starting materials)

$$A + B \longrightarrow A-B + Side Products$$
 $A-B + \bigcirc Y \longrightarrow A-B$ 

Reviews:

Booth, R. J.; Hodges, J. C. Acc. Chem. Res. 1999, 32, 18. Flynn, D. L.; Parlow, J. J. Curr. Opin. Drug Discovery Dev. 1998, 1, 41.

- Addresses the purification problem in solution phase synthesis
- Entrain impurities upon completion of solution-phase reactions, either covalently or ionically
- Covalent scavengers: nucleophile-electrophile
- cation exchange resins (liquid-solid extraction)

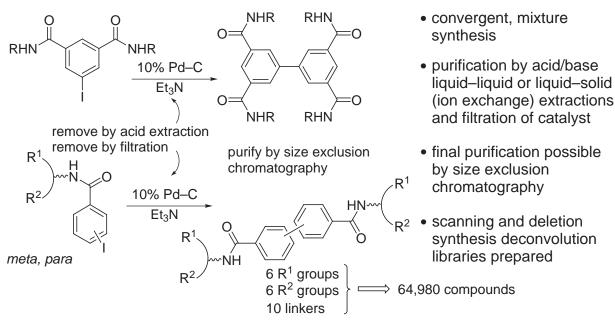
Boger, D. L. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1996, 118, 2567.

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Hodges, J. C. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 4882.

Kaldor, S. W. et al. Tetrahedron Lett. 1996, 37, 7193.

### Solution Phase Combinatorial Synthesis of Biaryl Libraries Employing Heterogeneous Conditions for Catalysis and Isolation



Boger, D. L.; Jiang, W.; Goldberg, J. *J. Org. Chem.* **1999**, *64*, 7094. Boger, D. L.; Goldberg, J.; Andersson, C.-M. *J. Org. Chem.* **1999**, *64*, 2422.

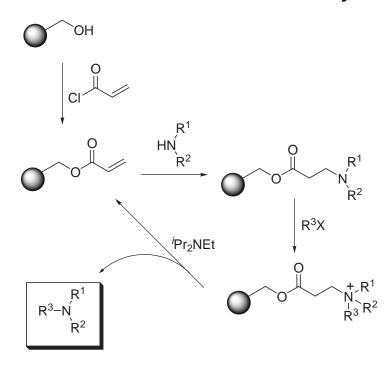
### Resin Capture of Product ("Fishing Out" Principle)

- Libraries of β-amino alcohols are synthesized by parallel synthesis in solution
- Purification is achieved by "fishing out" the desired products with a PEG-bound dialkylborane
- Precipitation of the polymer-bound product allows the removal of unreacted starting materials and any byproducts
- Treatment with HCl releases the product from the polymer support in high purity

Janda, K. D. et al. J. Org. Chem. 1998, 63, 889.

Ugi reaction with polymer bound carboxylic acid: Armstrong, R. W. Tetrahedron Lett. 1996, 37, 1149.

### **Resin Release Only of Product**



- A wide range of 3° amines can be synthesized on solid support
- The product is released via β-elimination
- Only the activated (quaternary) product is released, ensuring purities >95%
- After cleavage of product, the resin is regenerated and can be reused

Morphy, J. R. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 3288.

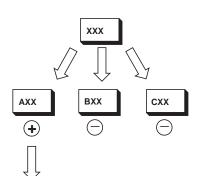
#### **Iterative Deconvolution**

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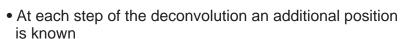
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#### **SURF** Deconvolution

(Synthetic Unrandomization of Randomized Fragments)



- Iterative deconvolution was first applied to peptide libraries
- The SURF procedure was described for nucleotide libraries
- Libraries are synthesized on solid phase by split synthesis
- Repetitive synthesis and screening of increasingly simplified sets





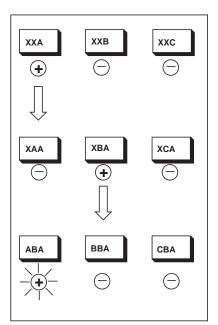
- Most potent library member guaranteed to be found and multiple hits lead to multiple parallel deconvolutions
- Time between synthesis of libraries and hit identity long and cumbersome



Houghten, R. A. et al. Nature **1991**, 354, 84. Ecker, D. J. et al. Nucleic Acids Res. **1993**, 21, 1853.

#### **Recursive Deconvolution**

- The library (XXX) is synthesized by split synthesis
- At each stage 1/3 of the material is stored and labeled as a partial library
- These stored partial libraries are used to deconvolute the full library



Test 3 pools for activity

Couple A to saved and catalogued XA, XB, and XC

Test 3 pools for activity

Couple BA to saved and catalogued A, B and C

Test 3 pools for activity

Janda, K. D. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA **1994**, 91, 11422.

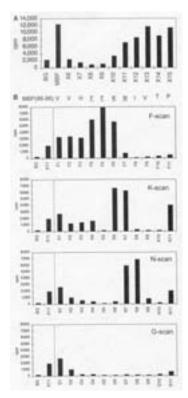
### Positional Scanning of Synthetic Peptide Combinatorial Libraries

- Deconvolution libraries produced upfront for testing
- Identifies most active residue at each position in one round of testing
- Screen looking for increases in activity
- This combination is not always the most potent (ca. 20–40% of time)
- Best for identifying multiple hits in a library including weak activities
- Requires mixture synthesis, not suited for solid phase

O = individual component
X = mixture

Houghten, R. A. et al. Nature 1991, 354, 84.

### **Scanning Deconvolution Applications**



Proliferative response of TL 5G7 to MBP and scanning peptide libraries

- A: the response to a sizing scan with completely randomized libraries ranging in length from 6 to 15 amino acids
- B: the response to peptide sublibraries with fixed amino acid in position 1 to 11 phenylalanine (F), lysine (K), asparagine (N), or glycine (G)
  - Mixture analysis so the number of compounds assayed can be very large
  - Identified single peptides 10<sup>4</sup>–10<sup>5</sup>x more active than well known natural autoantigen

Hemmer, B. *et al. J. Exp. Med.* **1997**, *185*, 1651. (Multiple sclerosis) Hemmer, B. *et al. Nature Med.* **1999**, *5*, 1375. (Lyme disease)

### **Deletion Synthesis Deconvolution**

- Deconvolution libraries produced upfront for testing
- Identifies most active residues at each position in one round of testing
- Screen library for loss of activity versus full mixture
- Best at identifying potent hits in a library, poor at identifying weak or multiple hits
- Requires mixture synthesis, not suited for solid phase
- Also suited for symmetrical libraries not capable of being addressed by scanning deconvolution

dA4	X	X	X
dA3	X	X	X
dA2	X	X	X
dA1	X	X	X

X	dB1	X	X
X	dB2	X	X
X	dB3	X	X
X	dB4	X	X

X	X	dC4	X
X	X	dC3	X
X	X	dC2	X
X	X	dC1	X

dA1 = mixture minus A1 (delete A1)

X = mixture

Boger, D. L. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1998, 120, 7220.

# **Test Case Comparisons of Scanning** and Deletion Synthesis Deconvolution

6 R<sup>1</sup> groups O 20 R<sup>2</sup> groups O 
$$\frac{1}{1}$$
 NHR<sup>2</sup> O  $\frac{1}{1}$  NHR<sup>2</sup> CO<sub>2</sub>H  $\frac{1}{1}$  CONHMe Library 1 (120 compounds)

• Each individual compound and the scanning and deletion deconvolution sublibraries were prepared and tested side by side to establish which would identify the newly discovered leads

Cytotoxic Activity (L-1210 IC<sub>50</sub>) of Mixture, Scanning, and Deletion Deconvolution Sublibraries

scanning deconvolution deletion deconvolution deletion deconvolution scanning deconvolution **B7** B6 **B7** A5 B13 **A4 A5 B17 A5 B14 B13 B17 B17** 6 and 20 compd mix 100 and 114 compd mix gain in activity loss in activity Cytotoxic Activity (IC<sub>50</sub>, μM) for Individual Compounds

	B7	B13	B17	1		B6	B14	B17
A4	5	26	25		A5	44	71	5
A5	>100	19	28					

- · Deletion synthesis more effective at identifying most potent compound in library
- · Scanning deconvolution more sensitive and capable of identifying weak activities
- · Combination more powerful than either technique alone

Boger, D. L.; Lee, J. K.; Goldberg, J.; Jin, Q. J. Org. Chem. 2000, 65, 1467.

### Assay and Deconvolution by Mass Spectrometry

Target-assisted isolation of mixture components

Separation of target–ligand complex by:

- size exclusion chromatography
- ultrafiltration
- · capillary electrophoresis
- · affinity chromatography

Identification of the bound ligand after dissociation of the complex by:

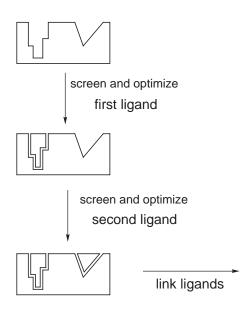
- ESI-MS: exceptional ability to detect ions present in solution with little fragmentation
- MALDI-MS: advantages over ESI-MS are its tolerance against impurities, buffer salts and formation of primarily singly charged ions
- Analysis of mixtures, so numbers of compounds evaluated can be large

Direct detection and identification of target-ligand complexes

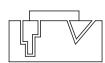
Study of intact non-covalent complexes is possible by FTICR-MS (FTICR: Fourier Transform Ion Cyclotron Resonance). Advantages of FTICR-MS are its high sensitivity due to the accumulation of certain ions in the trap that allows the study of minor mixture components

Review: Eliseev, A. V. Curr. Opin. Drug Discovery Dev. 1998, 1, 106.

### **Active Protein-Binding Compounds Through SAR by NMR**



- use of <sup>15</sup>N-labeled target proteins makes it possible to study the ligand–protein complex by <sup>15</sup>N-HSQC, even at high ligand concentrations
- less time consuming compared to the combinatorial approach where a large number of linked compounds have to be synthesized.
- linked ligands with nano molar binding constants derived from individual ligands with micro molar binding constants



Shuker, S. B.; Hajduk, P. J.; Meadows, R. P.; Fesik, S. W. Science 1996, 274, 1531.

### **Assay and Deconvolution by NMR**

Direct detection and identification of target- ligand complexes (detect bound ligand)

Diffusion encoded spectroscopy (DECODES): combination of pulse field gradient (PFG) NMR and total correlation spectroscopy (TOCSY).

Under PFG conditions, all resonances of low molecular weight ligands disappear from spectrum while signals of target-bound ligand remain. Approach is only applicable for low molecular weight molecules (200–400 Da) as targets and ligands.

Lin, M.; Shapiro, M. J.; Wareing, J. R. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 5249.

Indirect detection and identification of target-ligand complexes (detect unbound ligands)

1D relaxation edited NMR and 1D difusion edited NMR:

Difference spectrum of the 1D edited library-, protein- and mixture of protein with library-spectrum contains only signals from the bound ligand.

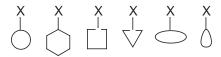
There is no need for deconvolution of the library to identify active compounds.

By removing the signals of the biomolecule there is no broadening or obscuring of the ligand's signals by the macromolecule.

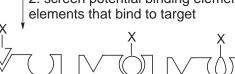
Hajduk, P. J.; Olejniczak, E. T.; Fesik, S. W. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1997, 119, 12257.

### **Combinatorial Target-Guided Ligand Assembly**

1. prepare a set of potential binding elements with a common chemical linkage group X



2. screen potential binding elements to identify elements that bind to target



Target

 no structural or mechanistic information required for this combinatorial method

- accomplished in 4 straightforward steps
- prelude to target assembled tight binding ligand from combinatorial mixture?

Ellman, J. A. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA **2000**, 97, 2419.

3. prepare library of all possible combinations of linked binding elements with variations in the link



Target







4. screen library of linked binding elements to identify the tightest binding ligands



### Solid Phase or Solution Phase Combinatorial Synthesis?

#### Solid Phase

- Simple removal of excess reagents and reactants
- + Automation straightforward
- Split and mix synthesis
- Pseudo-dilution effects
- Adapt chemistry to solid phase and develop linking/cleaving strategies
- Reaction monitoring difficult
- No purification possible
- Linear, cannot conduct convergent synthesis
- Limited scale
- Cannot conduct mixture synthesis

#### Solution Phase

- Chemistry not limited by support or linker
- Monitor by traditional techniques
- + Purification possible after each step
- + Unlimited amounts (scales) available
- Avoids extra steps for linking, etc
- ♣ Automation by liquid—liquid techniques
- Mixture or parallel synthesis
- Convergent or linear synthesis
- Removal of excess reagents and reactants limits scope

### **Combinatorial Synthesis Using Soluble Polymers**

- Reactions were performed in the homogeneous liquid-phase solution using a soluble polymer (MeO-PEG: polyethylene glycol monomethyl ether)
- Homogeneous reaction conditions overcome the difficulties of solid-phase combinatorial synthesis
- Isolation can be accomplished by precipitation of PEG polymer at each stage
- Intermediates can also be purified by conventional means (e.g. chromatography)
- Analysis of intermediates is possible by conventional means (e.g. NMR)

Janda, K. D. et al. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA 1995, 92, 6419. Review: Janda, K. D. et al. Chem. Rev. 1997, 97, 489.

### Fluorous-phase Combinatorial Synthesis

- Fluorous liquids: Immiscible in both water and organic solvents
- Simple purification of products by three-phase liquid-liquid extraction
- Accomplishment of a series of radical additions by homogeneous fluorous-phase combinatorial synthesis

Early applications of fluorous bound substrate included

- Solid-phase extraction with fluorous reverse-phase silica gel Curran, D. P.; Luo, Z. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1999**, *121*, 9069.

Reagents on fluorous phase or Substrates on fluorous phase

$$R \longrightarrow E \qquad \begin{array}{c} (C_{6}F_{13}CH_{2})_{3}SnH, \ AIBN \\ \hline \\ CF_{3} \quad 72-92\% \end{array} \qquad R \longrightarrow E$$

$$PhCO_{2}C_{3}H_{7} + PhCH_{2}OH \qquad \begin{array}{c} Fluorinert \ Fluid \ F-77 \\ \hline \\ C_{8}H_{17}CH=CH_{2} + CO \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \frac{tol/c-C_{6}H_{11}CF_{3}}{C_{6}H_{13}CH_{2}CF_{3})_{3}P} \\ \hline \\ Rh(CO)_{2}(acac) \end{array} \qquad C_{8}H_{17}CH(CHO)CH_{3} + C_{10}H_{21}CHO$$

Curran, D. P. et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **1996**, 118, 2531; Chemtracts, Org. Chem. **1996**, 9, 75. Science **1997**, 275, 823; Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. **1998**, 37, 1174.

### A Combinatorial Approach to Materials Discovery

Application of the combinatorial approach to the discovery of new solid-state materials with novel physical or chemical properties such as magnetoresistance or high-temperature superconductance.

Substrates: polished MgO or LaAlO<sub>3</sub> single crystals

Sputtering Targets: CuO, Bi<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, CaO<sub>3</sub>, PbO, SrCO<sub>3</sub>, Y<sub>2</sub>O<sub>3</sub>, and BaCO<sub>3</sub>

Generation of a 128-member binary library using 7 deposition-masking steps

Superconducting materials: BiSrCaCuO<sub>x</sub> and YBa<sub>2</sub>Cu<sub>3</sub>O<sub>x</sub>



(Binary masks used for library synthesis)

Schultz, P. G. et al. Science 1995, 268, 1738.

### **Comparison of Combinatorial Chemistry Techniques**

Technique	Single compound /mixture	Speed of synthesis	SAR retrieval	Utility
parallel synthesis	single	slow	fast	lead optimization
mixture synthesis (scanning/deletion deconvolution)	mixture n	fast	slow (fast)	lead identification
parallel arrayed mixture	mixture	moderate	moderate	lead identification
split and mix	mixture (one compound per bead)	moderate	slow	lead identification lead optimization
chemically encode mix and split	ed mixture (one compound per bead)	moderate	moderate	lead identification lead optimization
mix and sort (microreactors)	single	moderate	fast	lead optimization lead identification

Guiles, J. W. et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 1998, 37, 926.