Selectivity in Lewis acid-mediated fragmentations of peroxides and ozonides: application to the synthesis of alkenes, homoallyl ethers, and 1,2-dioxolanes[†]

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Fragmentation of dialkyl peroxides and ozonides is strongly influenced by the choice of Lewis acid. TiCl₄ promotes C-O ionization (S_N1 reaction) of tertiary peroxides while SnCl₄ and BF₃·OEt₂ promote O-O heterolysis (Hock reaction). The cationic intermediates are trapped with allyltrimethylsilane to afford allylated alkanes and homoallyl ethers. In the absence of a nucleophile, ozonides (1,2,4-trioxolanes) invariably undergo O-O heterolysis. However, the combination of allyltrimethylsilane and SnCl₄ results in formation of 1,2-dioxolanes via trapping of intermediates derived from $S_N 1$ ionization.

Introduction

The acid-catalyzed decomposition of peroxides is an important synthetic process for which two major modes of reaction are typically observed. Heterolysis of the O-O bond (Hock cleavage) produces oxycarbenium ion intermediates via migration of a neighboring substituent, while acid-catalyzed C-O ionization furnishes carbenium ions (Scheme 1). Selectivity between these



Scheme 1 Modes of Lewis acid (LA) mediated activation.

pathways is largely dependent on substrate structure,1-5 with C-O ionization favored by stabilization of the resulting carbocation and O-O heterolysis favored by neighboring groups of high migratory aptitude. Although there have been a number of reports involving Lewis acid-mediated decomposition of peroxides, there are few data regarding reagent-directed selectivity.6,7 Our interest arose from studies of Lewis acid-mediated allylation of monoperoxyacetals. TiCl₄-promoted reactions were found to proceed with selective displacement of the peroxide to form ethers, whereas SnCl₄-promoted reactions resulted in selective displacement of the alkoxide to form allylated peroxides.^{8,9} We were interested in using similar methodology to explore the fragmentations of highly substituted peroxides and ozonides, using the relative yields of allylated products as an indicator of the ability of individual Lewis acids to dictate a particular pathway. We now report the effect of peroxide structure and Lewis acid on the fragmentation of dialkyl peroxides and ozonides.

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Results and discussion

Substrate preparation

Dialkyl peroxides were prepared by alkylation of the appropriate hydroperoxide with an alkyl halide or sulfonate in the presence of CsOH (Scheme 2).10 The selective saturation of



Scheme 2 Preparation of peroxide substrates. Reagents and conditions: a. CsOH, DMF, MeI or MeO(CH₂)₂OTs; b. PtO₂, H₂; c. di-tert-butyl hyponitrite, C₆H₆, 60 °C.

unsaturated peroxide is based upon reported work from our group.11

Ozonides 5a-m were prepared by co-ozonolysis of oximes and ketones,¹² co-ozonolysis of enol ethers and ketones,¹³ or by ozonolysis of alkenes (Table 1).

Fragmentation of hydroperoxides and peroxides

Reaction of 2-phenyl-2-propyl hydroperoxide with Lewis acids in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane furnished low yields of allylcumene 6 (Table 2). 2-Phenyl-2-propyl methyl peroxide (1b) underwent TiCl₄-mediated allylation to furnish a good yield of 6, while the corresponding reaction with SnCl₄ afforded only allylated phenyl ether 7. Interestingly, reaction with allyltrimethylsilane and BF3.OEt2 promoted formation of methyl ether 8b. Methoxyethyl peroxide 1c was anticipated to favor heterolysis based upon the ability to enter into a fivemembered chelate,^{14,15} and this outcome was observed in the presence of SnCl₄. However, both S_N1 and Hock products were obtained in the presence of BF₃·OEt₂ or TiCl₄.

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 Table 2
 Acid-mediated reactions of 2-phenyl-2-propyl peroxides

Ph	∬ →	F		8b: F 8c: F	R = Me R = -CH ₂ CI	H ₂ OMe
6		7	8bc			
Peroxide	Acid	T/°C	<i>t</i> /min	6 (%)	7 (%)	8 (%)
1a	BF ₃ ·OEt ₂	RT	30	9	_	
1a	TiCl₄	-78	10	18		
1a	SnCl ₄	-78	30	34		
1b	$BF_3 \cdot OEt_2$	0-RT	120			55
1b	TiCl₄	-78	10	54	15	
1b	SnCl ₄	-40	30		64	
1b	SnCl ₄	-78	60		74	
1c	BF ₃ ·OEt ₂	RT	90	10		30
1c	TiCl₄	-78	1	56	36	
1c	SnCl ₄	-20	1		17	42
1c	SnCl ₄	-40	2		37	37
1c	SnCl ₄	-78	10		80	20

Octahydronaphthyl hydroperoxide 2a underwent rapid fragmentation in the presence of SnCl₄ and allylsilane to afford a mixture of an elimination-prone hydroxyketone (10a) and enone 11 (Table 3). The corresponding reaction in the presence of EtAlCl₂ and allylsilane furnished 10a/11 accompanied by a small amount of the allylated $S_{\rm N}{\rm l}$ adduct $9.^{\rm 16}$ The methyl peroxide, 2b, underwent TiCl₄-promoted allylation to afford only 9 whereas reaction with stoichiometric SnCl₄ or catalytic TMSOTf resulted in nearly exclusive (SnCl₄) or exclusive (TMSOTf) formation of 10b/11. Reaction of the methoxyethyl peroxide 2c gave predominately (TiCl₄) or exclusively (SnCl₄) the rearrangement-derived ring expansion products 9c/10. Higher yields of rearrangement product were observed in the presence of tetra-n-butylammonium perchlorate, with or without acetonitrile as a cosolvent. No reaction was observed in the presence of allyltributylstannane, presumably reflecting rapid metathesis with SnCl₄ to form a less reactive allylstannane-Lewis acid pair.17

The isomeric octahydronaphthyl peroxide (4b) underwent SnCl₄-mediated reaction to furnish a mixture of the allylated octahydronaphthalene and the spirodecanone 12 (Scheme 3). The saturated analog 3 underwent selective consumption of the *cis* isomer to form an allylated epoxycyclodecane (13) derived

 Table 3
 Allylation of octahydronaphthyl peroxides



2a	$SnCl_4$ (1.0)	5	Decomp.	53	
2a	$EtAlCl_2(1.0)$	5	18	76	
2b	TiCl ₄ (1.0)	1	68		
2b	$SnCl_{4}(1.0)$	3	8	74	
2b	TMSOTf (0.1)	5		80	
2c	TiCl ₄ (1.0)	1	11	45	
2c	$SnCl_{4}(1.0)$	1		67	
2c	$SnCl_{4}(1.0)^{a}$	5		98	
2c	$SnCl_{4}(1.0)$	5		45	
2c	$SnCl_{4}(1.0)^{a,b}$	5		89	

^{*a*} Presence of stoichiometric *n*-Bu₄NClO₄. ^{*b*} 20% MeCN–CH₂Cl₂ as solvent.

Table 4 Lewis acid-mediated fragmentation of ozonides



5c: *n*, *x*, *y* = 3

	Lewis acid	<i>T/</i> °C	Yield (%)					
Ozonide			15a	15b	15c	16a	16b	16c
5a	TiCl₄	-78	18	32		30	20	
	SnCl₄	0	5	39		45	11	
	TMSOTf	RT	14	36		36	14	
5b	TiCl₄	-78		52			48	
	SnCl ₄	0		49			51	
	TMSOTf	RT		50			50	
5c	TiCl₄	-78		43	5		11	41
	SnCl ₄	0		44	5		6	45
	TMSOTf	RT		49	1		1	49



Scheme 3 Rearrangement of octa- and decahydronaphthyl peroxides.

from migration of the central C–C bond, accompanied by smaller amounts of an allylated oxepane (14) derived from migration of a peripheral C–C bond.

Fragmentation of ozonides

Table 4 summarizes Lewis acid-promoted decomposition of ozonides 5a-c. The spiro-6,6-ozonide 5b invariably underwent Hock-type decomposition to afford a 1:1 mixture of caprolactone (15b) and cyclohexanone (16b). The spiro-6,5- and -6,7-



analogs **5a** and **5c** underwent similar reactions, again favoring the product derived from migration of a cyclohexyl C–C bond. TiCl₄-promoted reactions occurred at much lower temperatures than those promoted by $SnCl_4$ or TMSOTf.

Fragmentations of ozonides in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane

Reaction of ozonide 5b with $TiCl_4$ in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane occurred at -78 °C, producing caprolactone, cyclohexanone, and cycloheptanone (Table 5). However, the corresponding reaction with SnCl₄ occurred only upon warming to ~0 °C and furnished spirodioxolane 17 accompanied by small amounts of cycloheptanone. No reaction was observed in the presence of TMSOTf. Application of the most favorable conditions (SnCl₄, -78 to 0 °C, allyltrimethylsilane) to a series of tri- and tetrasubstituted ozonides invariably led to the predominant formation of dioxolane 17. Decomposition of several styrene ozonides proceeded in low yield to furnish as the major product the dioxolane derived from attack on the center better able to stabilize positive charge. Reaction of 5j also produced significant quantities of benzaldehyde and 1phenylbut-3-enol while the reaction of 51 furnished 43% of acetophenone and traces of 4-methyl-4-phenylhepta-1,6-diene.

Allylation of a bicyclic ozonide

The SnCl₄-mediated allylation of a bicyclic ozonide was investigated to determine whether the S_N 1-type reaction proceeded *via* initial ionization of the C–O (ethereal) or C–OO (peroxide) linkage. Treatment of ozonide **5m** with SnCl₄ and allyltrimethylsilane produced a good yield of 3,5,5trisubstituted 1,2-dioxolane (**25**) as a single regioisomer consisting of two separate *cis* and two separate *trans* diastereomers in a 35:35:15:15 ratio (Scheme 4). The presence of a secondary



alcohol was confirmed by the downfield shift of the H–C–O signal upon formation of acetate **26** and by the disappearance of the same signal upon oxidation to ketone **27**. The stereochemical assignment was supported by the observation of a 70:30 mixture of *cis/trans* two diastereomers upon oxidation to ketone **27**.

Discussion

The selective formation of allylcumene and allyloctahydronaphthalene provides clear evidence for the ability of TiCl₄ to selectively promote S_N1-type C-O ionization of dialkyl peroxides (Scheme 5). SnCl₄-mediated allylations proceed with a strong preference for Hock rearrangement. In some cases, the intermediate oxycarbenium ion is diverted into other pathways too rapidly for trapping by allylsilane. For example, the failure to observe ring-expanded allyl ethers from 2a-c or 4b reflects rapid intramolecular closure of the intermediate vinyl ketals, an outcome previously observed for Cu(OTf)2-mediated rearrangement of allyl hydroperoxides.¹⁸ Similarly, the conversion of 2-phenyl-2-propyl alkyl peroxides to alkyl allyl ethers results from formation and subsequent reaction of mixed acetals; the greater extent of this process in the presence of BF3. OEt2 may indicate the higher nucleophilicity of alkoxyboranes relative to alkoxystannanes.



Scheme 5 Overview of peroxide fragmentation.



Ozonides (1,2,4-trioxolanes) can in principle undergo acidcatalyzed decomposition through ionization of peroxide, ionization of alkoxide, or oxygen-oxygen heterolysis (Scheme 6).¹⁹ Acidolysis of ozonides with ClSO₃H or SbCl₅ has been reported to produce metalated or protonated carbonyl oxides through ionization of the C-OO linkage, followed by loss of carbonyl from the oxycarbenium ion intermediate.20-22 Self-reaction and/or attack on another ozonide results in formation of cyclic peroxides, while trapping of the metalated carbonyl oxide with 1,1-substituted alkenes produces 1,2dioxolanes.23 Related work from our group has demonstrated SnCl₄-mediated allylation of ozonides furnishes 1,2-dioxolanes, presumably via similar intermediates. In the current study, both SnCl₄ and TiCl₄ promote O-O heterolysis. However, in the presence of allyltrimethylsilane, only SnCl₄ promotes formation of 1,2-dioxolanes. This result indicates that SnCl₄ is more efficient in promoting reversible ionization of the C-O linkage, that TiCl₄ promotes more rapid O-O heterolysis, or some combination of these factors. The regioselectivity in allylation of unsymmetrical ozonides supports a mechanism involving ionization of both the C-O and C-OO linkages. In the case of a bicyclic ozonide, only the products corresponding to initial C-O ionization were observed.

In conclusion, SnCl₄ and TiCl₄ provide alternate low energy pathways for activation of dialkyl peroxides. TiCl₄ tends to promote S_N1 ionization, even when this requires activation of the more hindered oxygen. In contrast, SnCl₄ generally promotes selective O-O heterolysis through activation of the less hindered peroxide oxygen. Allyltrimethylsilane is an effective trapping agent generally able to capture the carbenium or oxycarbenium intermediates. In the absence of a nucleophile, both TiCl₄ and SnCl₄ promote O-O heterolysis of ozonides, while the combination of SnCl₄ and allyltrimethylsilane furnishes 1,2-dioxolanes through capture of an intermediate peroxycarbenium ion. Our results demonstrate the ability to dictate the mode of peroxide and ozonide decomposition through selection of Lewis acid, as well as the ability to employ this decomposition for the controlled synthesis of alkenes and allyl ethers.

Experimental

Standard conditions have been described.²⁴ As in any work involving peroxides, standard precautions (safety shields, avoidance of heat, light, or metal salts, use of minimal scale) should be faithfully observed.²⁵⁻²⁷ NMR spectra were acquired at 300 MHz (¹H) and 75 MHz (¹³C) in CDCl₃ unless otherwise noted; *J* values are given in Hz; DEPT135 assignments are indicated with (+) or (-) where relevant. IR spectra were recorded as neat oils; C=O and O–H stretches are reported. "Standard work-up" refers to aqueous quench, two-fold ether extraction (25–100 mL, depending upon scale), drying over Na₂SO₄, and concentration *in vacuo*. Unless otherwise indicated, compounds were purified by silica flash chromatography.

Methyl 2-phenyl-2-propyl peroxide (1b)

To a 0 °C solution of iodomethane (0.84 mL, 13.5 mmol) in DMF (30 mL) under N₂ was added cumene hydroperoxide **1a** (1.2 mL, 6.8 mmol) followed by CsOH (1.7 g, 8.1 mmol). The resulting solution was stirred for 2 h at 0 °C and then submitted to a standard workup, followed by flash chromatography (2.5% ether–pentane) to afford methyl 2-phenyl-2-propyl peroxide **1b** (0.70 g, 63%) as a colorless oil: $R_{\rm f} = 0.24$ (2.5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 7.54–7.27 (m, 5 H), 3.82 (s, 3 H), 1.64 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR δ 145.3, 128.1, 127.0, 125.4, 82.9, 62.9, 26.4; Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₄O₂: C, 72.26; H, 8.49. Found: C, 72.22; H, 8.41%.

2-Methoxyethyl 2-phenyl-2-propyl peroxide (1c)

To a 0 °C solution of 2-methoxyethanol (1.0 mL, 12.7 mmol), and pyridine (2.1 mL, 25.4 mmol) under N₂ was added *p*-tolylsulfonyl chloride (2.40 g, 12.7 mmol). After stirring for 1 h, the reaction was quenched with ice-cold 10% HCl (100 mL). The ether extracts (3 × 100 mL) were washed with aqueous saturated NaCl solution (3 × 100 mL) and dried over Na₂SO₄. After removal of solvent *in vacuo*, flash chromatography (20% EA–hex) afforded 2-methoxyethyl toluene-*p*-sulfonate ester (2.5 g, 86%) as a colorless oil: R_f = 0.23 (5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 7.76 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.4), 7.31 (d, 2 H, *J* = 8.1), 4.12 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.5), 3.54 (t, 2 H, *J* = 4.5), 3.27 (s, 3 H), 2.41 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR δ 144.8, 132.9, 129.7, 127.8, 69.9, 69.0, 58.9, 21.5; Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₄SO₄: C, 52.16; H, 6.13. Found: C, 51.99; H, 6.05%.

Alkylation of cumene hydroperoxide (1.7 mL, 9 mmol) with the methoxyethyl toluene-*p*-sulfonate (2.10 g, 9 mmol) as for **1b**, furnished, after standard work-up and flash chromatography (10% EA-hex), peroxide **1c** (0.96 g, 51%) as a colorless oil: $R_{\rm f} = 0.63$ (20% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 7.52–7.25 (m, 5 H), 4.09 (t, 2 H, J = 4.8), 3.59 (t, 2 H, J = 5.0), 3.35 (s, 3 H), 1.63 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR δ 145.2, 128.0, 127.1, 125.5, 83.0, 74.2, 69.8, 58.9, 26.4; Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₈O₃: C, 68.55; H, 8.63. Found: C, 68.36; H, 8.39%. Compound 2a was prepared using a reported procedure.²⁸

4a-Methyldioxy-1,2,3,4,4a,5,6,7-octahydronaphthalene (2b)

Compound **2b** was prepared in 93% yield from **2a** (142 mg, 0.85 mmol) and iodomethane (0.11 mL, 1.7 mmol) by a similar procedure as for **1b**: $R_{\rm f} = 0.50$ (0.25% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.63 (app. quintet, 1 H, J = 2.3), 3.82 (s, 3 H), 2.33–2.16 (m, 3 H), 2.04–1.85 (m, 3 H), 1.79–1.63 (m, 3 H), 1.59–1.48 (m, 2 H), 1.29–1.12 (m, 3 H); ¹³C NMR δ 136.7, 126.7, 80.7, 62.9, 35.7, 32.9, 32.3, 27.5, 25.8, 21.7, 18.7; Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O₂: C, 72.49; H, 9.95. Found: C, 72.36; H, 9.87%.

4a-(2-Methoxyethyl)dioxy-1,2,3,4,4a,5,6,7-octahydronaphthalene (2d)

Compound **2d** was prepared in 61% yield from **2a** (78.8 mg, 0.47 mmol) and 2-methoxyethoxy toluene-*p*-sulfonate (108.1 mg, 0.47 mmol) as for **1d**: $R_{\rm f} = 0.37$ (5% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.63 (app. quintet, 1 H, J = 2.2), 4.11 (t, 2 H, J = 4.8), 3.60 (t, 2 H, J = 4.9), 3.37 (s, 3 H), 2.29–2.20 (m, 3 H), 2.03–1.84 (m, 3 H), 1.77–1.61 (m, 3 H), 1.56–1.48 (m, 2 H), 1.29–1.10 (m, 3 H); ¹³C NMR δ 136.6, 126.8, 80.7, 74.0, 70.1, 59.0, 35.7, 32.8, 32.4, 27.4, 25.9, 21.7, 18.7; Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₂O₃: C, 68.99; H, 9.80. Found: C, 68.78; H, 10.00%.

cis and *trans*-1-Methyldioxy-1,2,3,4,4a,5,6,7,8,8a-decahydronaphthalene (3b)

An ethyl acetate suspension of PtO₂ (81 mg, 0.36 mmol) and **2b** (443.4 mg, 2.4 mmol) was placed under an atmosphere of hydrogen for 1 h. The solution was filtered through Celite and then concentrated *in vacuo*. Filtration through silica (5% EA–hexane) and HPLC (0.1% EA–hexane) isolated **3b** (415.7 mg, 93%) as a 1:1 mixture of *cis* (5.3 min) and *trans* (7.5 min) isomers. Assignments are based on literature reports for related compounds. *trans*: $R_f = 0.60$ (5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 3.81 (s, 3 H), 2.04 (dq, 2 H, J = 13.7, 2.8), 1.73–1.62 (m, 4 H), 1.50–1.44 (m, 2 H), 1.40–1.18 (m, 7 H), 1.00 (td, 2 H, J = 13.7, 4.0); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 80.8, 62.6, 45.3, 34.3, 28.4, 26.5, 21.7; HRMS Calcd for C₁₁H₂₀O₂ (M⁺): 184.1463. Found: 184.1463. *cis*: $R_f = 0.60$ (5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 3.80 (s, 3 H), 1.76–1.70 (m, 3 H), 1.68–1.48 (m, 8 H), 1.44–1.27 (m, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 83.6, 62.9, 37.7, 28.1, 22.7.

1-Hydroperoxy-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydronaphthalene (4a)²⁹

This was prepared from 2a by a reported method.³⁰

1-Methyldioxy-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydronaphthalene (4b)

Alkylation of **4a** (977.4 mg, 5.8 mmol) with MeI as for **1b** furnished **4b** (819.5 mg, 77%) as a colorless oil: $R_{\rm f} = 0.50$ (2.5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 4.21 (br s, 1 H) 3.83 (s, 3 H), 2.27 (d, 1 H, J = 16.2), 2.19–2.11 (m, 1 H), 1.94–1.80 (m, 5 H), 1.78–1.62 (m, 3 H), 1.59–1.41 (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR δ 137.7, 124.8, 80.1, 62.2, 30.7, 30.6, 27.8, 27.0, 22.9, 22.7, 17.7; Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O₂: C, 72.49; H, 9.95. Found: C, 72.69; H, 9.70%.

Preparation of ozonides

Method A. Into a 0 °C hexane solution of *O*-methyl oxime and ketone was bubbled O_3-O_2 until a light blue was observed. Residual O_3 was sparged with O_2 and solvent was removed *in vacuo*. The residue was subjected to flash chromatography.

Method B. Similar to method A, except a -78 °C solution of vinyl ether (1 equiv.) and cyclohexanone (2 equiv.) in 2:1 hexane-CH₂Cl₂ was used.

Method C. Similar to method A, except a -78 °C solution of alkene in hexane was used. The ¹H and ¹³C NMR data of

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5a (60%), **5b** (67%), **5c** (63%), **5d** (57%), and **5m** were identical to literature reports.^{12,13}

3,3-Dibutyl-1,2,4-trioxaspiro[5.4]decane (5e)

Yield 47%; $R_f = 0.77$ (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 1.80–1.50 (m, 12 H), 1.50–1.25 (m, 10 H), 0.87 (t, 6 H, J = 4.5); ¹³C NMR δ 111.7, 108.9, 35.1, 34.7, 26.1, 25.0, 23.8, 22.9, 14.0.

3-Octyl-1,2,4-trioxaspiro[5.4]decane (5f)

Yield 47%; $R_f = 0.76$ (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.20 (t, 1 H, J = 4.5), 1.75–1.50 (m, 8 H), 1.50–1.20 (m, 16 H), 0.87 (t, 3 H, J = 4.5); ¹³C NMR δ 109.2, 103.9, 35.5, 33.4, 32.6, 31.8, 31.2, 29.5, 29.4, 29.2, 24.9, 24.0, 23.9, 14.1, 22.7.

3-Phenyl-1,2,4-trioxaspiro[5.4]decane (5g)

Yield 65%; $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.65 (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 7.60–7.50 (m, 2 H), 7.50–7.38 (m, 3 H), 6.08 (s, 1 H), 2.00–1.80 (m, 4 H), 1.80–1.60 (m, 4 H), 1.60–1.40 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR δ 132.6, 130.4, 128.6, 127.9, 110.6, 103.5, 35.7, 33.6, 25.0, 24.0, 23.8.

1,2,4-Trioxaspiro[5.4]decane (5h)

Yield 78%; R_f = 0.67 (10% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.10 (s, 2 H), 1.75–1.55 (m, 8 H), 1.45–1.35 (m, 2 H); ¹³C NMR δ 108.8, 93.6, 33.8, 24.8, 23.8.

3-tert-Butyl-3-methyl-1,2,4-trioxaspiro[5.4]decane (5i)

Yield 53%; R_f = 0.75 (10% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 1.70–1.50 (m, 8 H), 1.50–1.30 (m, 2 H), 1.44 (s, 3 H), 1.03 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 112.3, 110.0, 37.5, 35.4, 35.3, 26.5, 25.6, 24.5, 24.2, 20.6.

3-Phenyl-5-propyl-1,2,4-trioxolane (5j)

Yield 73%, 1:1 *cis–trans* mixture $R_r = 0.63$ (10% EA–hex); *first* eluting: ¹H NMR δ 7.62–7.40 (m, 5 H), 6.15 (s, 1 H), 5.47 (t, 1 H, J = 5.25), 1.87 (m, 2 H), 1.60 (m, 2 H), 1.03 (t, 3 H, J = 7.4); ¹³C NMR δ 134.3, 130.1, 128.5, 127.3, 105.1, 103.30, 103.27, 34.4, 17.5, 13.9. Second eluting: ¹H NMR same except δ 7.62–7.40, 6.09 (s, 1 H), 5.54 (t, 1 H, J = 4.8), 1.05 (t, 3 H, J = 7.4); ¹³C NMR δ 132.6, 130.5, 128.6, 127.8, 105.6, 103.81, 103.78, 32.9, 17.2, 14.0.

3-Phenyl-1,2,4-trioxolane (5k)

Yield 77%; $R_f = 0.60$ (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 7.60–7.40 (m, 5 H), 6.07 (s, 1 H), 5.44 (s, 1 H), 5.36 (s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR δ 132.9, 130.4, 128.6, 127.5, 103.08, 103.05, 95.2.

3-Methyl-3-phenyl-1,2,4-trioxolane (51)

Yield 61%; $R_f = 0.62$ (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 7.60–7.28 (m, 5 H), 5.28 (d, 1 H, J = 4.0), 1.84 (s, 3 H); ¹³C NMR δ 140.7, 128.6, 128.3, 125.2, 108.3, 94.5, 24.3.

General procedure for allylation

To a 0 °C (BF₃·OEt₂) or -78 °C (SnCl₄ or TiCl₄) solution of cumene hydroperoxide (0.24 mL, 1.4 mmol) and allylsilane (0.22 mL, 1.4 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (6 mL) under N₂ was added Lewis acid (1.2 mmol). After stirring for 5–30 min at the initial temperature, the reaction was brought to RT, and subjected to a standard work-up and flash chromatography. Allylations of **1b** were analyzed by ¹H NMR. Allylations of **1c** were performed in the presence of 2-methylnaphthalene as an internal standard; the products were quantified by ¹H NMR. Fragmentations of **2a–d** were performed as for **1b–d** except that chromatography was performed using alumina (ether–pentane) and hydroxy- or alkoxybicyclo[5.3.0]decanones **10a/b** were quantified together with bicyclodecenone **11**.

4-Methyl-4-phenylpent-1-ene (6)

 $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.81 (2.5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 7.36–7.16 (m, 5 H), 5.60–5.51 (m, 1 H), 4.98 (s, 1 H), 4.94 (d, 1 H, *J* = 8.1), 2.36 (d, 2 H, *J* = 7.3), 1.31 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 149.3, 135.5, 128.0, 125.8, 125.5, 116.9, 48.8, 37.6, 28.5; Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₆: C, 89.94; H, 10.06. Found: C, 90.13; H, 10.04%.

4-Methyl-4-phenoxypent-1-ene (7)

 $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.48 (2.5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 7.27–6.98 (m, 5 H), 5.95 (m, 1 H), 5.12 (s, 1 H), 5.09 (d, 1 H, *J* = 11.3), 2.41 (d, 2 H, *J* = 7.3), 1.27 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 155.2, 134.5, 128.9, 124.2, 123.3, 117.7, 80.0, 46.7, 26.4; Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₆O: C, 81.77; H, 9.15. Found: C, 81.75; H, 8.94%.

4-Methoxy-4-methylpent-1-ene (8b)

 $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.45 (5% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.86 (m, 1 H), 5.13 (s, 1 H), 5.09 (d, 1 H, *J* = 7.4), 3.29 (s, 3 H), 2.31 (d, 2 H, *J* = 7.2), 1.23 (s, 6 H); ¹³C NMR δ 134.1, 117.6, 75.4, 49.1, 44.2, 24.7.

4-Methylpent-1-enyl 2-methoxyethyl ether (8c)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.13 (2.5\% \text{ EA-hex}); {}^{1}\text{H} \text{ NMR} (500 \text{ MHz}) \delta 5.87-5.79 (m, 1 \text{ H}), 5.05 (s, 1 \text{ H}), 5.02 (d, 1 \text{ H}, J = 6.4), 3.50 (dt, 4 \text{ H}, J = 2.8, 2.4), 3.37 (s, 3 \text{ H}), 2.25 (d, 2 \text{ H}, J = 7.3), 1.16 (s, 6 \text{ H}); {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (125 \text{ MHz}) \delta 134.7, 117.1, 74.7, 72.6, 60.8, 59.1, 44.8, 25.3; HRMS Calcd for C₉H₁₈O₂ (M⁺): 158.1307. Found: (M - C₃H₅⁺): 117.09146.$

1-Allyl-1,2,3,4,5,6,7,8-octahydronaphthalene (9)

*R*_f = 0.83 (1% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.80–5.72 (m, 1 H), 4.99 (d, 1 H, *J* = 17.7), 4.97 (d, 1 H, *J* = 8.5), 2.32–2.28 (m, 1 H), 2.11– 2.06 (m, 1 H), 2.00–1.72 (m, 7 H), 1.67–1.43 (m, 8 H); ¹³C NMR δ 138.2, 130.5, 129.2, 115.4, 38.8, 37.2, 30.9, 30.8, 28.4, 27.6, 23.5, 23.2, 20.0; Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₀: C, 88.57; H, 11.43. Found: C, 88.72; H, 11.50%.

7-Hydroxybicyclo[5.3]decan-2-one (10a)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.26$ (20% EA-hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 3.13 (t, 1 H, J = 8.5), 2.53 (d, 1 H, J = 18.9), 2.42–2.36 (m, 2 H), 2.16 (d, 1 H, J = 10.1), 1.93–1.60 (m, 10 H), 1.24 (br s, 1 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 211.6, 81.8, 59.5, 44.3, 43.7, 41.7, 24.8, 24.1, 23.4, 21.6; IR (neat)/cm⁻¹ 3463 (br, OH), 1693 (C=O).

7-Methoxybicyclo[5.3]decan-2-one (10b)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.66 (20\% \text{ EA-hex}); {}^{1}\text{H} \text{ NMR} (500 \text{ MHz}) \delta 3.04 (s, 3 \text{ H}), 2.97 (t, 1 \text{ H}, J = 8.5), 2.49 (d, 1 \text{ H}, J = 17.7), 2.41–2.30 (m, 2 \text{ H}), 2.08 (ddd, 1 \text{ H}, J = 13.7, 6.9, 3.6), 1.87–1.78 (m, 2 \text{ H}), 1.70–1.58 (m, 3 \text{ H}), 1.57–1.30 (m, 4 \text{ H}); {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (125 \text{ MHz}) \delta 211.1, 85.9, 60.8, 48.3, 43.6, 36.1, 35.7, 25.0, 24.9, 23.5, 21.6; IR (neat)/ cm⁻¹ 1700 (C=O).$

Bicyclo[5.3]dec-1(7)-en-2-one (11)

 $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.28 (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 2.65–2.54 (m, 6 H), 2.44 (m, 2 H), 1.82–1.75 (m, 6 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 201.4, 159.0, 138.4, 43.9, 41.6, 33.9, 31.6, 25.8, 22.4, 21.2; IR (neat)/cm⁻¹ 1643 (C=O), 1625 (C=C); Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₄O: C, 79.96; H, 9.36. Found: C, 79.99; H, 9.31%.

1-Methoxyspiro[4.5]decan-6-one (12)

Addition of SnCl₄ (0.88 mL, 0.88 mmol, 1 M in CH₂Cl₂) to a 78 °C solution of methyl peroxide **4b** (159.7 mg, 0.88 mmol) and allyltrimethylsilane (0.28 mL, 1.7 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (4.5 mL), furnished, following a standard work-up and flash chromatography (5% ether–pentane) **9** (27.6 mg, 18%) and **12** (54.0 mg, 34%): $R_f = 0.23$ (5% EA–hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 3.84

(dd, 1 H, J = 4.4, 2.8), 3.21 (s, 3 H), 2.55 (dt, 1 H, J = 13.3, 7.3), 2.43 (td, 1 H, J = 13.7, 6.1), 2.39–2.36 (m, 1 H), 2.04 (sextet of d, 1 H, J = 9.7, 2.8), 1.85–1.53 (m, 8 H), 1.42 (td, 1 H, J = 14.1, 4.0), 1.07 (ddd, 1 H, J = 12.9, 7.7, 5.6); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 211.5, 87.2, 61.2, 56.5, 41.6, 38.5, 32.0, 29.1, 27.6, 22.6, 21.1; IR (neat)/cm⁻¹ 1712 C=O; Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₈O₂: C, 72.49; H, 9.95. Found: C, 72.50; H, 9.79%.

1-Allyl-1,6-epoxycyclodecane (13) and 7-allyl-1oxabicyclo[5.4.0]undecane (14)

SnCl₄-mediated allylation (5 h, -78 °C) of a mixture of *cis*- and *trans*-**3b** (369.7 mg, 2.0 mmol) furnished, following chromatography on alumina (1% ether–pentane) and HPLC on silica (hexane), 1-allyl-1,6-epoxycyclodecane **13** (103 mg, 26%, retention time = 21 min), 7-allyl-1-oxabicyclo[5.4.0]undecane **14** (6%, 24 min), and 180 mg of recovered *trans*-**3b**.

1-Allyl-1,6-epoxycyclodecane (13)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.13$ (1% EA-hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 5.77 (m, 1 H), 5.01 (d, 1 H, J = 7.3), 4.99 (d, 1 H, J = 16.9), 4.06 (m, 1 H), 2.23 (d, 2 H, J = 7.7), 1.78–1.49 (m, 16 H); ¹³C NMR (125 MHz) δ 135.6, 117.2, 80.1, 76.8, 47.6, 37.2, 34.8, 25.3, 24.9; HRMS Calcd for C₁₃H₂₂O (M⁺): 194.1671. Found: 194.1671.

7-Allyl-1-oxabicyclo[5.4.0]undecane (14)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.13 (1\% \text{ EA-hex}); {}^{1}\text{H} \text{ NMR} (500 \text{ MHz}) \delta 5.87 (m, 1 \text{ H}), 5.05 (d, 1 \text{ H}, J = 10.1), 5.03 (d, 1 \text{ H}, J = 6.9), 3.57 (m, 2 \text{ H}), 2.47 (dd, 1 \text{ H}, J = 14.5, 8.1), 2.25 (dd, 1 \text{ H}, J = 13.3, 4.8), 1.92-1.20 (m, 15 \text{ H}); {}^{13}\text{C} \text{ NMR} (125 \text{ MHz}) \delta 134.7, 116.7, 61.2, 45.1, 38.9, 32.2, 31.5, 31.3, 30.9, 29.2, 23.2, 21.2; HRMS Calcd for C_{13}H_{22}O (M^+): 194.1671. Found (M - C_3H_5^+): 153.1280.$

Lewis acid-promoted decomposition of ozonides

A -78 °C solution of ozonide in 1 mL of CDCl₃ was admixed in an NMR tube with a solution of excess Lewis acid in CD₂Cl₂. The mixture was brought to room temperature and monitored by NMR.

Reaction of ozonides with allylsilane: general procedure

To a -78 °C solution of 200 mg (1 equiv., 1.01 mmol) of ozonide **5a** and 0.20 mL (1.3 equiv., 1.3 mmol) and allylsilane in CH₂Cl₂ (5 mL) was added SnCl₄ (1.1 equiv. as a 1 M solution in CH₂Cl₂). A standard work-up (except CH₂Cl₂ extractions) gave 180 mg of a residue, from which was separated 115 mg (0.50 mmol, 50%) of **17**, 13 mg (0.11 mmol, 11%) of **15b** and trace amounts of **16a** and **16b** were isolated. Compounds **15b**, **16a** and **16b** were assigned based upon comparison of ¹H and ¹³C NMR data with authentic samples.

3-(Trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2-dioxaspiro[5.4]decane (17)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.72$ (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 4.40–4.28 (m, 1 H), 2.36 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.9), 1.83 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.1), 1.75–1.50 (m, 6 H), 1.50–1.30 (m, 4 H), 1.14 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 5.3), 0.83 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 9.3), 0.05 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 86.2, 80.3, 53.5, 37.6, 36.0, 25.9, 24.6, 24.1, 21.7, -0.4. Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{24}O_2Si: C$, 63.10; H, 10.59. Found: C, 62.89; H, 10.40%. ¹H and ¹³C assignments based on DEPT and HETCOR.

5-(Prop-2-en-1-yl)nonan-5-ol (20e)

 $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.66 (20% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.80 (m, 1 H), 5.11 (m, 2 H), 2.20 (d, 2 H, *J* = 7.0), 1.62–1.20 (m, 12 H), 0.87 (t, 6 H, *J* = 7.0).

Dodec-1-en-4-ol (20f)

 $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.50 (20% EA–hex); ¹H NMR δ 5.80 (m, 1 H), 5.10 (m, 2 H), 3.62 (m, 1 H), 2.30 (m, 1 H), 2.15 (m, 1 H), 1.60 (s, 1 H, OH), 1.50–1.20 (m, 14 H), 0.84 (t, 3 H, J = 7.0).

1-Phenylbut-3-en-1-ol (20j = 20k)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.46$ (20% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 7.40–7.16 (m, 5 H), 5.80 (m, 1 H), 5.15 (m, 2 H), 4.52 (t, 1 H, J = 6.1), 2.50 (m, 2 H).

3-(Trimethylsilylmethyl)-5-*tert*-butyl-5-methyl-1,2-dioxaspiro-[5.4]decane (18)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.72$ (10% EA-hex); ¹H NMR δ 4.22 (m, 1 H), 2.68 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.9), 1.63 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.1), 1.35 (s, 3 H), 1.08 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 5.3), 0.98 (s, 9 H), 0.82 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 9.3), 0.04 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 90.92, 80.58, 50.40, 36.12, 25.91, 23.06, 20.42, -0.95. Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₂₆O₂Si: C, 62.56; H, 11.37. Found: C, 62.69; H, 11.41%.

cis-3-Phenyl-5-(trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2-dioxaspiro[5.4]decane (22j = 22k)

 $R_{\rm f}$ = 0.33 in 5% EA-hexane; ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 7.45–7.25 (m, 5 H), 5.29 (t, 1 H, *J* = 7.5), 4.49 (tt, 1 H, *J* = 9.3, 5.5), 3.14 (ddd, 1 H, *J* = 11.9, 7.9, 6.0), 2.20 (ddd, 1 H, *J* = 11.9, 8.5, 6.9), 1.19 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 14.1, 5.2), 0.90 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 14.1, 9.3), 0.07 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 141.17, 128.62, 127.88, 126.16, 82.83, 80.11, 51.27, 20.40, -1.01. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₀O₂Si: C, 66.05; H, 8.53. Found: C, 65.94; H, 8.41%.

trans-3-Phenyl-5-(trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2-dioxaspiro[5.4]decane (22j = 22k)

 $R_{\rm f} = 0.33$ (5% EA–hexane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 7.45–7.28 (m, 5 H), 5.30 (dd, 1 H, J = 8.5, 6.0), 4.62–4.55 (m, 1 H), 2.65 (dt, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.0), 2.55 (dt, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.5), 1.17 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 5.4), 0.93 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 8.9), 0.08 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 138.81, 128.66, 128.36, 126.83, 83.17, 80.05, 50.05, 20.90, -0.97. Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₀O₂Si: C, 66.05; H, 8.53. Found: C, 65.87; H, 8.34%.

3-Methyl-3-phenyl-5-(trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2-dioxaspiro[5.4]decane (22l)

Compound **221** was isolated as a 1 : 1 mixture. Pure *cis*-**221** and a (1:1.5) mixture of *cis/trans* **221** were obtained by HPLC (2% EA-hex). $R_f = 0.33$ (5% EA-hexane); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 7.46–7.42 (m, 2 H), 7.32–7.38 (m, 2 H), 7.30–7.24 (m, 1 H), 4.43–4.36 (m, 1 H), 2.93 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.4), 2.27 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.1), 1.68 (s, 3 H), 1.17 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 5.6), 0.93 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 9.3), 0.05 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 144.80, 128.36, 127.18, 124.98, 86.79, 79.83, 56.00, 27.83, 21.62, -0.99. DEPT 135 NMR δ 128.36(+), 127.18(+), 124.98(+), 79.83(+), 56.00(-), 27.83(+), 21.62(-), -0.99(+). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₂O₂Si: C, 67.15; H, 8.86. Found: C, 67.22; H, 8.74%.

cis-3-Propyl-5-(trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2-dioxaspiro[5.4]decane (23j)

$$\begin{split} R_{\rm f} &= 0.45 \; (5\% \; {\rm EA-hexane}); \; ^{\rm I}{\rm H} \; {\rm NMR} \; (500 \; {\rm MHz}) \; \delta \; 4.35-4.23 \\ ({\rm m}, 2 \; {\rm H}), \; 2.77 \; ({\rm dt}, 1 \; {\rm H}, \; J = 11.7, \; 6.9), \; 1.74 \; ({\rm dd}, 1 \; {\rm H}, \; J = 11.7, \\ 8.1, \; 6.5), \; 1.75-1.30 \; ({\rm m}, \; 4 \; {\rm H}), \; 1.11 \; ({\rm dd}, 1 \; {\rm H}, \; J = 14.1, \; 5.4), \; 0.93 \\ ({\rm t}, \; 3 \; {\rm H}, \; J = 6.9), \; 0.85 \; ({\rm dd}, 1 \; {\rm H}, \; J = 14.1, \; 9.3), \; 0.06 \; ({\rm s}, \; 9 \; {\rm H}); \; ^{13}{\rm C} \\ {\rm NMR} \; \delta \; 81.42, \; 79.35, \; 48.33, \; 37.15, \; 21.02, \; 19.52, \; 13.99, \; -1.01. \\ {\rm Anal. \; Calcd \; for \; C_{10}H_{22}O_2{\rm Si:} \; {\rm C}, \; 59.35; \; {\rm H}, \; 10.96. \; {\rm Found:} \; {\rm C}, \\ 59.47; \; {\rm H}, \; 11.04\%. \end{split}$$

4-Methyl-4-phenylhepta-1,6-diene (24)

$$\begin{split} R_{\rm f} &= 0.75 \text{ in } 5\% \text{ (EA-hex); }^{1}\text{H NMR (500 MHz)} \,\delta\, 7.33 - 7.17 \text{ (m, 5 H)}, 5.63 - 5.47 \text{ (m, 2 H)}, 5.05 - 4.92 \text{ (m, 4 H)}, 2.52 \text{ (dd, 1 H, } \\ J &= 13.7, 6.6), 2.32 \text{ (dd, 2 H, } J &= 11.7, 6.6), 1.29 \text{ (s, 3 H); }^{13}\text{C} \\ \text{NMR } \delta\, 147.1, 135.1, 128.0, 126.4, 125.6, 117.2, 47.0, 24.2. \end{split}$$

3-Methyl-3-(4-hydroxyhept-6-enyl)-5-(trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2dioxolane (25)

To a -78 °C solution of 145 mg (1.1 mmol) of 14m in 20 mL of

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CH₂Cl₂ was added 1.1 mL of a 1 M solution of SnCl₄. After 2 min, a solution of allylsilane (251 mg, 2 equiv.) in 20 mL of CH₂Cl₂ was added. The reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min and subjected to standard work-up. Flash chromatography on silica gel (10% to 20% EA-hex) afforded 151 mg (48%) of 25 as a colorless mixture of four isomers which could be partially separated by HPLC: (10% EA-hex) into two cis isomers (35%, 35%) and a mixture of two trans isomers (15%, 15%). cis-25a: $R_{\rm f} = 0.30$ (20% EA-hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 5.88–5.78 (m, 1 H), 5.14 (m, 2 H), 4.42–4.34 (m, 1 H), 3.71–3.63 (m, 1 H), 2.364 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.5), 2.36–2.27 (m, 1 H), 2.20–2.11 (m, 1 H, CH), 1.923 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.5), 1.80–1.40 (m, 6 H), 1.28 (s, 3 H), 1.079 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 5.2), 0.815 (dd, 1 H, J = 14.1, 9.3, 0.046 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 134.8(+), 118.3(-), 85.9, 79.8(+), 70.6(+), 53.56(-), 42.1(-), 40.6(-), 37.2(-), 23.31(+), 21.0(-), 20.8(-), -1.0(+). Anal. Calcd for C15H30O3Si: C, 62.63; H, 10.55. Found: C, 62.51; H, 10.46%. *cis*-25b: ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 5.88–5.77 (m, 1 H), 5.17–5.11 (m, 2 H), 4.41–4.33 (m, 1 H), 3.71–3.64 (m, 1 H), 2.357 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.67, 6.5), 2.34–2.27 (m, 1 H), 2.19–2.11 (m, 1 H), 1.929 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.5), 1.75–1.35 (m, 6 H), 1.28 (s, 3 H), 1.08 (dd, 1 H, J = 13.7, 5.2), 0.814 (dd, 1 H, J = 13.7, 9.3), 0.045 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 134.8(+), 118.2(-), 85.9, 79.9(+), 70.4(+), 53.5(-), 42.0(-), 40.5(-), 37.0(-), 23.5(+), 20.8(-), 20.6(-), -1.0(+). Anal Calcd for $C_{15}H_{30}O_3Si$: C, 62.63; H, 10.55. Found: C, 62.44; H, 10.32%. trans-25ab (mixture of diastereomers): $R_f = 0.27$ (20% EA-hex); ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 5.87-5.77 (m, 2 H), 5.17–5.11 (m, 4 H), 4.36–4.28 (m, 2 H), 3.70–3.63 (m, 2 H), 2.51–2.45 (m, 2 H), 2.34–2.27 (m, 2 H), 2.19–2.11 (m, 2 H), 1.85–1.80 (m, 2 H), 1.66–1.40 (m, 12 H), 1.34 (s, 3 H), 1.096 (dd, 2 H, J = 14.1, 5.2), 0.840 (dd, 2 H, J = 13.7, 9.3), 0.047 (s, 18 H); 13 C NMR δ 134.7 (for 2C), 118.4 (for 2C), 86.1 (for 2C), 80.1 (for 2C), 70.5, 70.4, 53.1, 52.9, 42.1, 42.0, 38.8, 38.7, 37.2, 37.1, 26.0, 25.8, 21.1 (for 2C), 21.0, 20.8, -1.0 (for 2C). Anal. Calcd for C₁₅H₃₀O₃Si: C, 62.63; H, 10.55. Found: C, 62.67; H, 10.47%.

3-Methyl-3-(4-acetoxyhept-6-enyl)-5-(trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2dioxolane (26)

Acetylation of 25 (23 mg) with DMAP and acetic anhydride in CH2Cl2 furnished, after standard work-up and flash chromatography, 25 mg (92%) of 26 as a colorless oil which was resolved by HPLC (3% EA-hex) into two cis dioxolanes cis-26a (35%) and cis-26b (35%) as well as a mixture of two trans dioxolanes *trans*-26ab (30%): *cis*-26a: $R_f = 0.58$ (20% EA-hex). ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 5.80–5.70 (m, 1 H), 5.11–5.04 (m, 2 H), 4.97–4.89 (m, 1 H), 4.40–4.32 (m, 1 H), 2.36 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.8), 2.33–2.28 (m, 2 H), 1.89 (dd, 1 H, *J*=11.7, 8.5), 2.03 (s, 3 H), 1.75–1.25 (m, 6 H), 1.26 (s, 3 H), 1.08 (dd, 1 H, J = 13.9, 5.0), 0.81 (dd, 1 H, J = 13.9, 9.5), 0.05 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 170.8, 133.7(+), 117.7(-), 85.7, 79.8(+), 73.0(+), 53.7(-), 40.3(-),38.8(-), 33.9(-), 23.2(+), 21.2(+), 20.8(-), 20.3(-), -1.0(+).Calcd. for C₁₇H₃₂O₄Si: C, 62.15; H, 9.82. Found: C, 62.19; H, 9.70%. *cis*-**26b**: $R_{\rm f} = 0.56$ (20% EA-hex). ¹H NMR (500 MHz) δ 5.80–5.70 (m, 1 H), 5.11–5.03 (m, 2 H), 4.95–4.88 (m, 1 H), 4.40–4.33 (m, 1 H), 2.35 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.6), 2.37–2.25 (m, 2 H), 1.90 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.3), 2.04 (s, 3 H), 1.75–1.67 (m, 1 H), 1.60–1.34 (m, 4 H), 1.43–1.34 (m, 1 H), 1.27 (s, 3 H), 1.07 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 13.7, 5.2), 0.81 (dd, 1 H, *J* = 13.7, 9.5), 0.05 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 170.8, 133.7(+), 117.7(-), 85.7, 79.8(+), 73.2(+), 53.5(-), 40.3(-), 38.6(-), 33.9(-), 23.4(+), 21.3(+), 20.8(-),20.4(-), -1.0(+). Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{32}O_4Si$: C, 62.2; H, 9.8. Found: C, 62.6; H, 9.7%. Anal. Calcd for C₁₇H₃₂O₄Si: C, 62.15; H, 9.82. Found: C, 62.02; H, 9.67%. Spectral listings for trans-**26ab** are included in supplementary material.

3-Methyl-3-(4-oxohept-6-enyl)-5-(trimethylsilylmethyl)-1,2dioxolane (27)

Oxidation of 25 (23 mg) with PDC in CH₂Cl₂, furnished, after

work-up and chromatography (7-16% EA-hex) 19 mg of 27 (83%) and 3.7 mg (16%) of recovered 25. HPLC (3% EA-hex) resolved the material into pure cis-27 and a mixture of cis- and *trans*-27 (1.9:1.0). *cis*-27 $R_f = 0.77$ (20% EA-hex). ¹H NMR $(500 \text{ MHz}) \delta 5.97 - 5.87 \text{ (m, 1 H)}, 5.183 \text{ (ddt, 1 H, } J = 10.3, 1.6,$ 1.2), 5.141 (ddt, 1 H, J = 17.3, 1.6, 1.2), 4.40–4.33 (m, 1 H), 3.171 (dt, 2 H, J = 6.9, 1.2), 2.49 (dt, 2 H, J = 7.3, 6.9), 2.36 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 6.5), 1.93 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 8.5), 1.70–1.50 (m, 4 H), 1.28 (s, 3 H), 1.07 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 5.2), 0.809 (dd, 1 H, J = 11.7, 9.3, 0.05 (s, 9 H); ¹³C NMR δ 208.5, 130.7(+), 118.8(-), 85.7, 79.9(+), 53.5(-), 47.8(-), 42.3(-), 39.8(-), 23.3(+), 20.8(-), 18.8(-), -1.1(+). Anal. Calcd for C15H28O3Si: C, 63.33; H, 9.92. Found: C, 63.44; H, 9.87%. A spectral listing for the cis/trans-27 mixture is included in supplementary material.

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