Diastereoselective Alkylation Reactions Employing a Camphor-Based Chiral Oxazinone Auxiliary

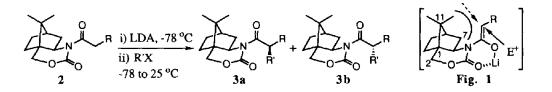
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Abstract: An almost complete π -face selectivity is obtained in asymmetric alkylation reactions of lithium enolates derived from imide 2 which contains a camphor-based chiral oxazinone auxiliary.

Asymmetric reactions employing chiral auxiliaries have been widely used in fundamental carbon-carbon bond forming reactions such as alkylations, aldol condensations, cycloadditions, etc. Recently there has been considerable interest in the development of camphor-based new chiral auxiliaries for both synthetic and mechanistic point of view.^{1a-1g} Camphor-based auxiliaries were known to have good crystallinity, and when the sterically congested camphor moiety was appropriately utilized, a very high level of asymmetric induction was observed. We communicated a new chiral camphorsulfonic acid-derived oxazinone auxiliary and demonstrated indirectly the so-called "chelation-controlled aldol reaction" with it.^{1d} Herein, we wish to report a nearly complete π -face selectivity in alkylation reactions employing the oxazinone auxiliary.^{1h}



The enolization of imide 2 with lithium diisopropylamide (LDA) is believed to generate a Z-enolate exclusively, because the corresponding *E*-enolate would receive a severe nonbonded repulsion between the R and the camphor moiety. The lithium enolate of 2 comprises two distinct π -faces (C_{α}-re face and C_{α}-si face) because the lithium ion coordinates to both the N-acyl and the oxazinone carbonyl oxygens, which was originally demonstrated for oxazoline auxiliaries by Evans and co-workers.² As noted earlier,^{1d} the C_{α}-si face is difficult to access for electrophiles because of the steric hindrance of the syn-11-methyl group and the C-7 methylene group that are locating just above the π -face, which is readily perceivable from Fig. 1. This argument is demonstrated by the nearly complete stereoselectivities in alkylation reactions summarized in Table 1.³ It is notable that most of the alkylation products except for one are crystalline compounds.

	2	3a : 3b ^b	3a		
entry	R, R'Xª		$[\alpha]_{\mathrm{D}}(c)^{\mathrm{c}}$	mp,°C	% yield ^d
1	Me, PhCH ₂ Bt	99.4 : 0.6	-149 (1.1)	90-91	60
2	PhCH ₂ , MeI	99.7:0.3	-294 (1.2)	91-92	81
3	Me, CH ₂ =CHCH ₂ I	99.9 : 0.1	-220 (2.2)	79-80	61
4	CH ₂ =CHCH ₂ , MeI	99.9 : 0.1	-248 (0.6)	86-87	49
5	PhCH ₂ , CH ₂ =CHCH ₂ I	99.7 : 0.3	-279 (1.1)	111-112	79
6	CH ₂ =CHCH ₂ , PhCH ₂ Br	99.7:0.3	-156 (1.1)	oil	43

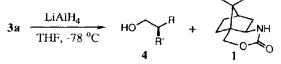
Table 1. Stereoselectivity of Alkylation of the Chiral Enolates Derived from Imide 2

^a3.0 molar equiv of R'X was used. ^bDetermined by capillary GC analysis. ^cIn CHCl₃ at 23-25 ^oC. ^dYields after column chromatography on SiO₂: Unreacted 2 was recovered in 15-50% yields.

The well-defined π -face structure of the enolate as well as the excellent selectivity foresee a good selectivity in other similar reactions that utilize the oxazinone auxiliary.⁴

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- 3. The diastereoselectivities are readily determined because both diastereomers are produced from each pair of alkylation experiments (entry 1/2, 3/4, and 5/6). The absolute stereochemistry of the diasteromers was determined by comparing optical rotation of 4 with that of literature value [4 (R=Me; R'=PhCH₂): [α]_D -11.1 (c 0.83), lit.² value: -11.08 (c 4.6); 4 (R=Me; R'=CH₂CH=CH₂): [α]_D -2.1 (c 1.50), lit. value: -2.3 (c 1.0): Evans, D. A.; Bender, S. L.; Morris, J. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1988, 110, 2506], except for 3 (R,R'=PhCH₂, CH₂CH=CH₂), entry 5/6): in this case the assignment was based on the mechanism discussed in the text. The alcohol 4 was obtained in 73-81% yield and the auxiliary 1 was recovered in more than 90% yield after the following reductive cleavage:



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