Reaction of Metal Free Bu3Sn⁻ Generated from Bu3SnSiMe3-R4NX with an Aryl or Vinyl Halide

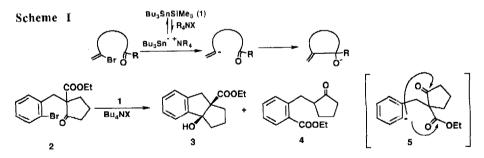
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Abstract: Metal free stannyl anion generated from $Bu_3SnSiMe_3$ and R_4NX in DMF reacted with an aryl or vinyl halide to produce the aryl or vinyl anion via so-called halogen-metal exchange process, which reacted with internal carbonyl group to afford cyclized product in good yield.

Bimetallic reagents having Si-Sn bond have become interest in recent synthetic organic chemistry because the silyl and/or stannyl group can be introduced into unsaturated compounds¹ by use of them. During the course of our investigation of palladium catalyzed tandem transmetallation-cyclization reaction using Bu₃SnSiMe₃,² we found the new cyclization reaction by use of metal free Bu₃Sn⁻ generated from Bu₃SnSiMe₃ and R₄NX. Namely, keto ester **2** was treated with Bu₃SnSiMe₃ (1) and Bu₄NBr in DMF at 60 °C for 6 h to produce cyclized product **3**³ and aryl ester **4** in 50% and 27% yields, respectively.



It seems likely that the metal free stannyl anion is generated from 1 via hypervalent silicate under the reaction conditions, which would provide an aryl anion 5 from 2. In order to confirm the generation of stannyl anion, the effects of halide ion of ammonium salts were examined and the results are shown in Table I. In the absence of ammonium salt, the desired products were not obtained (Table I, run 1). When Bu4NF was used in this reaction, cyclized product 3 was obtained in only 32% yield in spite of the rapid disappearance of the starting material on TLC⁴ (run 2). Bu4NCl as halide ion afforded the best result(run 3). These results suggest that the harder chloride ion gave a good result and it strongly coordinates at the hard silicon moiety of Bu3SnSiMe3 to form hypervalent silicate, thus generating metal free stannyl anion.⁵ If the stannyl anion is generated under these reaction conditions, the effect of halide variation on the aromatic ring would be observed. As expected, aryl iodide **6a** gave a good result (Table II, run 2), suggesting that the aryl anion

was produced by *so-called* halogen-metal exchange process⁶ of stannyl anion and an aryl halide. Cationic part of ammonium salt did not affect this reaction significantly (run 1 and 2). Generation of the metal free stannyl anion was also supported by the following results: When 9a or 9b was treated with 1 and BnEt₃NCl in DMF, stannylated compound 10a or 10b was obtained in 63% or 38% yield.^{1b,7}

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|--------------------------|--------------------|-------|-----|-----|------|--|
| run | Bu ₄ NX | temp | 3 | 4 | 2 | |
| 1 | none | 60 °C | | | 85% | |
| 2 | F | 60 °C | 32% | | | |
| 3 | Cl | 60 °C | 52% | 12% | | |
| 4 | Br | 60 °C | 20% | 6% | 37 % | |
| 5 | Cl | rt | 53% | 19% | 2% | |

| Table | I. | Effect | of | Halide | Ion | of | Ammonium | Salt |
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^a All reactions were carried out in DMF (*ca*. 0.15 M) in the presence of 2 equiv. of 1 and 3 equiv. of Bu4NX for 1 h.

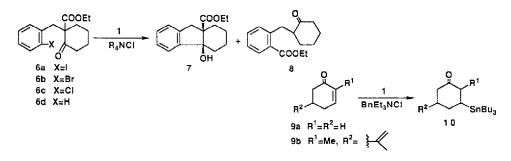


Table II. Reactivity of Various Aryl Halides^a

| | 4 | R4NC1 | | | 6.3 | an ch |
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| run | 0 | K4NCI | / | 8 | 6 d | SM ^b |
| 1 | 6a (X=I) | Bu4NC1 | 21% | 30% | 15% | _ |
| 2 | 6a (X=I) | BnEt3NCl | 30% | 33% | 19% | 2% |
| 3 | 6b(X=Br) | BnEt3NCl | 32% | 18% | 17% | 24% |
| 4 | 6c(X=Cl) | BnEt3NCl | | | | 98% |

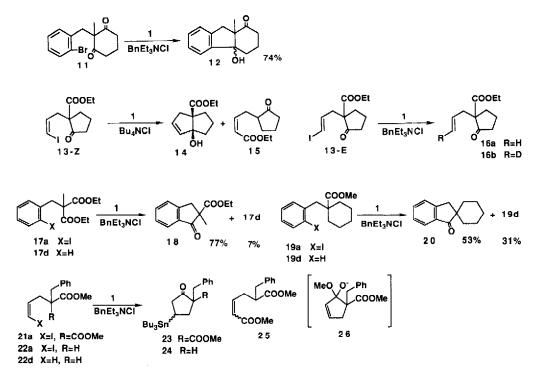
^a All reactions were carried out in DMF (*ca.* 0.15 M) in the presence of 2 equiv of 1 and 2 equiv of R4NCl at room temperature for 6 h.

^b Recovered starting material.

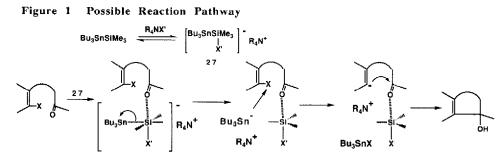
Diketone 11 was treated with 1 and BnEt3NCl in DMF to afford compound 12 in 74% yield. Furthermore, generation of vinyl anion was examined. Thus, compound 13-Z was treated with 1 and Bu4NCl in DMF at 60 °C and to our delight that the desired cyclized product 14 was obtained in 41% yield along with unsaturated ester 15 (21% yield). In contrast these products were not obtained from 13-E and the main product was dehalogenation compound 16a (83% yield). Hydrogen source of 16a appears to be a trace of water in the reaction mixture because the same reaction was carried out in the presence of D₂O (5 equiv) or *i*-PrOD (20 equiv) to provide 16b (R=D) in 74% or 50% yield, respectively.

The most striking feature of this reaction is that an aryl or vinyl halide reacted with ester. The cyclization of compounds 17a and 19a smoothly proceeded in the presence of 1 and BnEt3NCl in DMF at 60 °C to give desired cyclized products 18 and 20 in good yields. When vinyl iodide 21a was treated in a similar manner at room temperature, only a small amount of cyclized product 23 was obtained and the main product was compound 25 (E/Z=2/1, 61% yield). It seems likely that the reaction of vinyl iodide 21a with internal ester proceeds to give 26 and then the bond cleavage occurs to provide 25. Thus, when ester 22a was treated

with 1 (3 equiv) in DMF in the presence of molecular sieves 4A at room temperature, the desired cyclized product 24 was obtained in 50% yield.



The probable reaction mechanism is shown as follows and the key step in the proposed mechanism is the generation of metal free stannyl anion. Namely, (i) The coordination of Cl⁻ at silicon of Bu₃SnSiMe₃ in DMF is followed by the concerted attack of carbonyl group at silicon⁸ with the formation of hypervalent silicate, which would give rise to the metal free stannyl anion. Then, (ii) *so-called* halogen-metal exchange⁹ of an aryl or vinyl halide with metal free stannyl anion provides the aryl or vinyl anion.¹⁰ (iii) The last step is that the resulting aryl or vinyl anion attacks to the carbonyl group activated by silyl group. In this reaction, solvent must play an important role such as the stabilization of the hypervalent silicate or of the metal free stannyl anion.¹¹

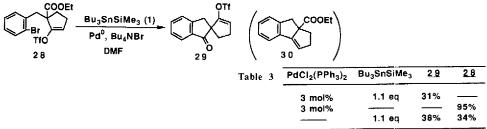


The remarkable characteristic of this reaction is as follows: For the formation of hypervalent silicate from Bu3SnSiMe3 in DMF, bromide ion shows the enough reactivity and the metal free stannyl anion is generated.

The aryl or vinyl anion generated by so-called halogen-metal exchange process of an aryl or vinyl halide with metal free stannyl anion can react with carbonyl compounds such as aldehyde, 1^1 ketone and even ester.

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- 3. All the new compounds reported in this manuscript exhibited spectral (¹HNMR, MASS HR-MASS and IR spectra) data consist with the assigned structure.
- 4. Reaction of 2 with Bu3SnSiMe3 was carried out in the presence of (Et2N)3S·TMSF2 in DMF at -50 °C for 1 h to provide 3 and 4 in 41 % and 18 % yields, respectively.
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- 10. A fair amount of Bu3SnSnBu3 was obtained in these reactions. Thus a more complex mechanism involving initial electron transfer from the metal free stannyl anion to the aryl halide⁶ would be considered.
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- 12. Representative Procedure: To a solution of 2 (50 mg, 0.16 mmol) and BnEt3NCI (130 mg, 0.47 mmol) in DMF (1 mL) was added Bu3SnSiMe3 (114 mg, 0.32 mmol) at room temperature under argon and the solution was stirred for 1 h. To the solution was added 10% NH4OH solution and the whole solution was stirred for 30 min. The aqueous layer was extracted with ether, and the organic layer was washed with 10% HCl, sat. NaHCO3 solution and brine, dried over Na2SO4 and concentrated. The residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel eluting with ethyl acetate-hexane (1:20) to give colorless oil of 3 (20 mg, 53%), 4 (7 mg, 19%) and 2 (1 mg, 2%).
- 13. Intermolecular reaction of benzaldehyde with iodobenzene in the presence of 1 and BnEt3NCl in DMF afforded diphenyl carbinol (16% yield).