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Abstract: 1,4-Disubstituted 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanediones were converted to 1,4disubstituted 2-hydroxy-1,4-butanediones with SbCl₃-Bu₄NI in the presence of Na₂S₂O₃ · 5H₂O. The ring opening of terminal epoxides can also be accomplished to afford the corresponding haloalcohol with SbCl₃ and tetrabutylammonium halides, Bu₄NX (X = Cl, Br, I) under the same reaction conditions.

Keywords: Antimony(III) chloride, 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione, haloalcohol, tetrabutylammonium halide

Epoxides have been recognized as important intermediates in organic synthesis. In particular, the ring-opening of epoxides is a key reaction for the synthesis of marine natural products containing haloalcohol and polyalcohol moieties.^[1] Therefore, regio- and stereoselective ring-opening reactions of epoxides were accomplished with various reagents and are still considered an intriguing study area.^[1-4]

A variety of reductive reagents, such as LiAlH₄, NaBH₄, LiBH₄, BH₃, H₂/Raney Ni, and Li/NH₃, have been known to be useful for the reductive ring-opening of epoxides to alcohols.^[2] Furthermore various metal halides, such as SmI₂, InCl₃, InBr₃, CeCl₃, MgBr₂, and SmCl₃, were used in the regio- and stereoselective ring-opening reaction of epoxides.^[2,3]

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Selective azidolysis and conversion into haloalcohols of epoxides both were accomplished in the presence of quaternary ammonium halides Bu_4NX (X = F, Cl, Br, I).^[4]

On the other hand, combinations of complex metal hydrides (LiAlH₄, NaBH₄) and antimony halides (SbCl₃, SbBr₃) were reported to be more effective for the conjugate reduction of 2-butene-1,4-diones and the reductive debromination of aromatic α -bromo ketones in comparison with those of complex metal hydrides and other metal halides (AlCl₃, CuCl₂, FeCl₃) in previous papers.^[5] Antimony halides are more effective for organic synthesis and are easier to handle than other metal halides, such as AlCl₃ and TiCl₄. Moreover, the epoxidation of 2-butene-1,4-diones was also reported in a previous paper to be in the presence of a catalytic amount of BuN₄I.^[6] Therefore, there has been much interest in the effect of the use of antimony(III) halide in the presence of quaternary ammonium halides for the reductive ring-opening reaction of 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanediones.^[7] In this article, we report the results of our studies concerning the ring-opening reaction of various epoxides with SbCl₃-Bu₄NX (X = Cl, Br, I).

The ring-opening reaction of cis-1,4-diphenyl-2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione (1), chosen as a representative 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione for this study, with SbCl₃-Bu₄NI in various stoichiometric ratios was carried out in the presence of Na₂S₂O₃ · 5H₂O. The results are summarized in Table 1. Epoxybutanedione 1 was mostly recovered unchanged at the molar ratio of 1, Bu_4NI , $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$, and $SbCl_3$ (1:1:1.8:0.2, run 1). A mixture of hydroxydiketone 2 and hydroxyenedione 3 was obtained even in the presence of 2.0 molar equivalents of Bu_4NI over 1 (run 2). Because the yields of hydroxydiketones 2 and 3 were not satisfactory in the presence of a catalytic amount of $SbCl_3$, the reaction of epoxydiketone 1 was carried out with 1.0-2.0 molar equivalents of SbCl₃ over 1. At less than 2.0 molar equivalents of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI over 1, hydroxydiketone 2 was not obtained in high yields (runs 3-5). At the 2.0 molar equivalents of $SbCl_3$ and Bu_4NI over 1, epoxydiketone 1 was converted to hydroxydiketone 2 in good yield (run 6), whereas at less than equimolar of Bu₄NI over SbCl₃, hydroxydiketone 2 was not afforded in good yields (runs 7 and 8). Therefore, the reaction of epoxydiketone 1 with 3.0 molar equivalents of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI over **1** was expected to give hydroxydiketone 2 in satisfactory yield. At 3.0 molar equivalents of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI over 1, hydroxydiketone 2 was obtained in the expected 90% yield (run 9). Furthermore, the yield of 2 was also satisfactory at excess molar equivalents of Bu₄NI over SbCl₃ (run 10). Subsequent experiments were carried out to clarify the effect of SbCl₃, Bu_4NI , and $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$. Epoxydiketone 1 was recovered unchanged only with 4.0 molar equivalents of $SbCl_3$ over 1 in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$ (run 11). Epoxydiketone 1 was also recovered unchanged only with 4.0 molar equivalents of Bu_4NI over 1 in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$ (run 12). In the absence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$, the yield of 2 with SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI was not fully satisfactory, accompanied by *cis*-enedione 5 (2: 43%, 5: 49%). The reaction of epoxydiketone 1 even

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Table 1. Reductive ring-opening reaction of *cis*-1,4-diphenyl-2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione 1 with SbCl₃-Bu₄NI in THF at $0-23^{\circ}C^{a}$



	Molar ratio/1				Yield (%)	$b)^b$	
Run	SbCl ₃	Bu ₄ NI	2	3	4	5	1
1	0.2	1.0	8	8	_		83
2	0.2	2.0	28	54			
3	1.0	2.0	46	_	2	8	33
4	1.5	0.5	52	3	5	3	18
5	1.5	1.0	59	5	10		22
6	2.0	2.0	83	12	3	_	_
7	3.0	1.0	37	6	2	_	45
8	3.0	2.0	63	7	5	4	7
9	3.0	3.0	90		3	3	
10	3.0	4.0	90				
11	4.0						99
12	—	4.0		_	—		98

^{*a*}**1**: 0.4 mmol; THF: 15 mL; in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$ (0.72 mmol); time: 65 h.

^bIsolated products were purified by column chromatography on silica gel. Yields were also determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude products.

with SbBr₃-Bu₄NI instead of SbCl₃-Bu₄NI in the absence of Na₂S₂O₃ · 5H₂O did not afford hydroxydiketone **2** for 65 h at room temperature (recovered **1**: 60%, **5**: 30%). Hydroxydiketone **2** was predominantly obtained in the reductive ring opening of epoxydiketone **1** with SbCl₃-Bu₄NI in the presence of Na₂S₂O₃ · 5H₂O for 19 h at room temperature, but with a less satisfactory yield of **2** (64%) along with recovered **1** (31%). Accordingly, the optimum conditions for the reductive ring-opening of 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione are as follows. The combination of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI was found to be essential for reductive ring-opening of 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione in the presence of Na₂S₂O₃ · 5H₂O.^[7] It needs about three molar equivalents of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI over 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione to give hydroxy-1,4-butanedione in high yield. Prolonged reaction time of more than 48–60 h is needed to obtain **2** in nearly quantitative yield at room temperature.

To clarify the effect of the combination of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$ for the reductive ring opening of **1** to **2**, the reaction of epoxydiketone **1** was carried out with other metal halides and iodo compounds. Epoxydiketone **1** was recovered unchanged in greater than over 50% yields with other metal halides (AlCl₃, CuCl₂, FeCl₃)-Bu₄NI in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$. Moreover, hydroxydiketone **2** was not afforded in good yields with the combination of SbCl₃ and I₂ or KI instead of Bu₄NI. Thus, the combination of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI was found to be more effective for the reductive ring-opening reaction of epoxydiketone **1** to hydro-xydiketone **2** than those of other metal halides—Bu₄NI or SbCl₃—other iodo reagents.

The reductive ring-opening reaction of various aromatic and aliphatic 2,3epoxy-1,4-diones was carried out to elucidate the application of the combination SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI system. The results are shown in Table 2. The reaction of *trans*-1,4-diphenyl-2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione (**6**) and ethyl 3-benzoyl-2,3-epoxypropionate (**7**) also took place to give the corresponding 2-hydroxy-1,4-diones (**2**, **8**) in good yields under the same reaction conditions (runs 1 and 2). *trans*-2,3-Epoxy-1-phenyl-1,4-pentanedione (**9**) was similarly converted to a mixture of 3-hydroxy- and 2-hydroxy-1-phenyl-1,4-pentanediones (**10**, **11**, run 3). *trans*-3,4-Epoxy-2,5-decanedione (**12**) was also converted to a 1:1 mixture of 3-hydroxy- and 4-hydroxy-2,5-decanediones (**13**, **14**) in good yields (run 4). Thus, the combination of SbCl₃ and Bu₄NI was ascertained to be useful for the reductive ring opening of 2,3-epoxy-1,4-diones to hydroxy-1,4-diones.

To examine the limitations and chemoselectivity for the reductive ring opening of epoxides with the combination of SbCl₃ and quaternary ammonium halides (Bu₄NX: X = I, Br, Cl) system, the reaction of various epoxides was carried out under the same reaction conditions. The results are shown in Table 3. At first, the reaction of epoxydiketone $\mathbf{6}$ was carried out SbCl₃-Bu₄NX (X = Br, Cl). Epoxydiketone **6** was recovered with unchanged, respectively. Bu₄NI also turned out to be the most useful for reductive ring opening of **6** in quaternary ammonium halides Bu_4NX (X = I, Br, Cl, runs 1 and 2). On the other hand, unexpectedly, carvone oxide (15) was converted to the respective haloalcohols 16-18 with SbCl₃-Bu₄NX (X = I, Br, Cl, runs 3-5). These results suggested that the reductive ringopening reaction did not occur in terminal epoxides such as carvone oxide even with SbCl₃-Bu₄NI. To show the transformation of terminal epoxides to haloalcohols with this method, the reaction of 10, 11-epoxy-1-undecanol (19) was examined under the same reaction conditions. Terminal epoxide 19 was converted to the corresponding haloalcohols 20-22 as expected (runs 6–8). Consequently, the SbCl₃-Bu₄NX (X = I, Br, Cl) systems were found to be useful and regioselective methods for converting terminal epoxides into respective haloalcohols. The reaction of aliphatic cyclic epoxides (23, **25**) was also carried out to examine the limitations and chemoselectivity of this system. α -Ionone oxide 23 was not converted to iodoalcohol 24 in high

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Table 2.	Reductive	ring-opening	reaction	of trans-2,3-	-epoxy-1,4-butanedion	e with
SbCl ₃ -Bu ₄	NI in THF	at $0-23^{\circ}C^{a}$				

$R^{1} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} R^{2} \xrightarrow{SbCl_{3} / Bu_{4}NI}_{THF} R^{1} \xrightarrow{O}_{O} H^{2} R^{2}$							
	Substrates		Products				
Run	R^1	R^2	(S)	R^1	\mathbb{R}^2	(a)	Yield/% ^b
1	Ph	Ph	6	Ph	Ph	2	90
2	Ph	OEt	7	Ph	OEt	8	96
3	Ph	Me	9	Ph	Me	10	55
				Me	Ph	11*	27
4	$C_{5}H_{12}$	Me	12	$C_{5}H_{12}$	Me	13	41
	- 12			Me	C_5H_{12}	14*	39

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^aS: 0.4 mmol; molar ratio: 1:3:3 (S/SbCl₃/Bu₄NI); THF: 15 mL; in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$ (0.72 mmol); time: 65 h.

^bIsolated products were purified by column chromatography on silica gel. Yields were also determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude products.

*2-Hydroxy-1-phenyl-1,4-pentanedione (11): $R_f = 0.41$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1:3). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3420, 1717, 1686, 1599, 1580, 1450, 1404, 1361, 1261, 1216, 1181, 1100, 1038, 1004, 988, 936, 758. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.25 (3H, s), 2.76 (1H, dd, J = 17.5, 7.4 Hz), 2.88 (1H, dd, J = 17.5, 3.5 Hz), 5.45 (1H, dd, J = 7.4, 3.5 Hz), 7.45-7.64 (3H, m), 7.91-7.97 (2H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 30.99, 48.12, 69.99, 128.69, 128.87, 133.35, 133.94, 200.35, 205.80.

4-Hydroxy-2,5-decanedione (14): $R_f = 0.48$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1:3). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3414, 2960, 2934, 2874, 1717, 1460, 1406, 1365, 1247, 1172, 1112, 1073, 1038, 959. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 2.22 (3H, s), 2.85 (1H, dd, J = 13.5, 5.9 Hz, 2.95 (1H, dd, J = 13.5, 4.1 Hz), 4.35 (1H, dd, J = 5.9, 4.1 Hz).

yield (run 9), whereas the reaction of isophorone oxide 25 with SbCl₃-Bu₄NI took place to give isophorone 26 unexpectedly (run 10). These results sufficiently accounted for the regioselective ring opening of terminal epoxides to haloalcohols with $SbCl_3$ -Bu₄NX (X = I, Br, Cl).

In conclusion, the SbCl₃-Bu₄NI system in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$ provided an alternative procedure for reductive ring opening of 2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanediones to hydroxy-1,4-butanediones chemoselectively. The SbCl₃-Bu₄NX (X = I, Br, Cl) systems were also useful and [regioselective for the ring opening of terminal epoxides to the respective haloalcohols under the same reaction conditions].

Run	Substrates	(S)	Bu_4NX^b	Products	Yields/% ^c
1	Ph O Ph	6	В	Recovered	6/85
2		6	С	Recovered	6/88
3	or Fi	15	А	ОН	16 /66
4		15	В	OH OH	17 /78
5		15	С	о СІ	18 /90
6	О (СН ₂)90н	19	А	OH I (CH ₂)9OH	20 /65
7		19	В	OH Br (CH ₂) ₉ OH	21 /82
8		19	С	OH CI↓↓(CH ₂)9OH	22 /84
9		23	Α		24 */40 ^d
10		25	А		26 /77 ^e

Table 3. Ring-opening reaction of epoxides with $SbCl_3$ -Bu₄NX in THF at $0-23^{\circ}C^{a}$

^{*a*}S: 0.4 mmol; molar ratio: 1:3:3 (S/SbCl₃/Bu₄NX); THF: 15 mL; in the presence of $Na_2S_2O_3 \cdot 5H_2O$ (0.72 mmol); time: 65 h.

 ${}^{b}A = Bu_4NI$, $B = Bu_4NBr$, $C = Bu_4NCl$.

^cIsolated products were purified by column chromatography on silica gel. Yields were also determined by ¹H NMR analysis of crude products.

^dRecovered **23**: 39%.

^eRecovered 25: 20%.

*Iodoalcohol (**24**): $R_f = 0.33$ (CHCl₃/EtOAc, 5:1). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3474, 2950, 2334, 1659, 1458, 1365, 1309, 1265, 1220, 1176, 1106, 1058, 990, 938, 853. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.89 (3H, s), 1.07 (3H, s), 1.38 (3H, s), 2.29 (3H, s), 1.41–1.43 (1H, m), 1.75–1.90 (2H, m), 2.24–2.38 (1H, m), 2.40 (1H, d, J = 10.5 Hz), 4.43 (1H, t, J = 2.0 Hz), 6.12 (1H, d, J = 16.0), 6.94 (1H, dd, J = 16.0, 10.5 Hz). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 23.14, 27.15, 28.77, 32.11, 33.64, 34.35, 36.94, 44.27, 52.95, 73.40, 134.75, 145.96, 198.36.

EXPERIMENTAL

IR spectra were recorded on a Perkin Elmer Spectrum One FT-IR spectrophotometer. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded on a JEOL JNM-EX270 spectrometer, and the chemical shifts are given relative to the internal SiMe₄ standard. MS spectra were run on a Bruker Daltonics–APEX III and a JEOL-HX110.

General Procedure for the Synthesis of 2,3-Epoxy-1,4-butanedione^[6]

To a solution of 2-butene-1,4-dione (1 mmol) and Bu_4NI (0.1 mmol) in THF (10 mL) at 0°C was added dropwise 30% aq. H_2O_2 (5–10 mmol) dissolved in THF (3 mL). After stirring for 20–36 h at 0–23°C, the reaction mixture was poured into 0.5 M of aq. KI. The resulting mixture was treated with 0.5 M of aq. $Na_2S_2O_3$ and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with 0.5 M of aq. $Na_2S_2O_3$ and successively saturated aq. NaCl and dried by MgSO₄. After removal of solvent in vacuo, the residue was purified by recrystallization or column chromatography on silica gel (Wakogel C-200) with CCl₄ and CHCl₃ (1:1, v/v). Epoxydiketones were obtained in 56–91% yields.

Typical Procedure for the Ring Opening of Epoxide

To a solution of SbCl₃ (273 mg, 1.2 mmol), Bu₄NI (442 mg, 1.2 mmol) and Na₂S₂O₃ · 5H₂O (178 mg, 0.72 mmol) in THF (12 mL) at 0°C, 1,4-diphenyl-2,3-epoxy-1,4-butanedione **1** (100 mg, 0.4 mmol) in THF (3 mL) was added. The reaction mixture was treated with 1.0 M of aq. NaHCO₃ after stirring for 64 h at temperatures between 0°C and rt and extracted with ethyl acetate. The organic layer was washed with 0.5 M of aq. Na₂S₂O₃ and successively saturated aq. NaCl and dried over MgSO₄. After removal of the solvent in vacuo, the residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel (Wakogel C-200) with CCl₄ and CHCl₃ (1:1, v/v). Hydroxydiketone **2** (91 mg, 0.36 mmol) was obtained in 90% yield.

2-Hydroxy-1,4-diphenyl-1,4-butanedione (**2**). Mp 92–93°C. $R_f = 0.25$ (CHCl₃). IR (KBr, cm⁻¹) 3406, 1682, 1599, 1448, 1325, 1305, 1203, 1108, 1048, 1009, 754. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 3.36 (1H, dd, J = 16.2, 5.4 Hz), 3.44 (1H, dd, J = 16.2, 6.0 Hz), 5.67 (1H, dd, J = 6.0, 5.4 Hz), 7.26–7.63 (6H, m), 7.91–8.01 (4H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 43.50, 70.06, 128.26, 128.62, 128.67, 128.87, 133.51, 133.60, 133.87, 136.62, 197.14, 200.68. Anal. calcd. for C₁₆H₁₄O₃ C, 75.57; H, 5.55. Found: C, 75.48; H, 5.60.

Ethyl 2-hydoxy-4-oxo-4-phenylbutanoate (8). $R_f = 0.17$ (CHCl₃). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3446, 3066, 2984, 2914, 1742, 1686, 1599, 1580, 1450, 1369, 1274, 1214, 1102, 1042, 1002, 936, 864, 758. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.29 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 3.45 (1H, dd, J = 17.0, 5.9 Hz), 3.54 (1H, dd, J = 17.0,

4.0 Hz), 4.26 (2H, q, J = 7.2 Hz), 4.66 (1H, dd, J = 5.9, 4.0 Hz), 7.43–7.62 (3H, m), 7.93–7.97 (2H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 14.03, 42.12, 61.76, 67.15, 128.10, 128.62, 133.51, 136.38, 173.71, 197.44. HR-ESI-MS [M + Na]⁺ m/z 245.0789 (calcd. for C₁₂H₁₄O₄Na: 245.0784).

3-Hydroxy-1-phenyl-1,4-pentanedione (**10**). $R_f = 0.41$ (CH₃CO₂Et/ CHCl₃, 1:3). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3420, 1717, 1686, 1599, 1580, 1450, 1404, 1361, 1261, 1216, 1181, 1100, 1038, 1004, 988, 936, 758. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 2.33 (3H, s), 3.39 (1H, dd, J = 17.5, 5.9 Hz), 3.56 (1H, dd, J = 17.5, 3.5 Hz), 4.52 (1H, dd, J = 5.9, 3.5 Hz), 7.45–7.64 (3H, m), 7.91– 7.97 (2H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 25.55, 41.58, 73.85, 128.23, 128.60, 133.74, 136.28, 198.29, 209.57. Anal. calcd. for C₁₁H₁₂O₃; C, 68.73; H, 6.29. Found: C, 68.65; H, 6.40.

3-Hydroxy-2,5-decanedione (**13**). $R_f = 0.48$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1:3). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3414, 2960, 2934, 2874, 1717, 1460, 1406, 1365, 1247, 1172, 1112, 1073, 1038, 959. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.88 (3H, t, J = 7.2 Hz), 2.26 (3H,s), 2.45 (1H, dd, J = 13.5, 5.9 Hz), 2.55 (1H, dd, J = 13.5, 4.1 Hz), 4.00 (1H, dd, J = 5.9, 4.1 Hz). Anal. calcd. for C₁₀H₁₈O₃: 64.49; H, 9.74. Found: C, 64.33; H, 9.95.

Iodoalcohol (**16**). $R_f = 0.11$ (CHCl₃). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3438, 2976, 2924, 2898, 1663, 1452, 1435, 1417, 1373, 1305, 1259, 1189, 1104, 1058, 1009, 957, 907, 845, 803, 754, 714. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.34 (3H, s), 1.78 (3H, s), 2.24–2.75 (5H, m), 3.36 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 2.7 Hz), 3.42 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 3.5 Hz), 6.80 (1H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 15.52, 20.52, 23.70, 26.50, 39.57, 42.91, 71.21, 135.41, 144.07, 199.15. HR-ESI-MS m/z 317.0012 [M + Na]⁺ (calcd. for C₁₀H₁₅O₂I Na: 317.0009).

Bromoalcohol (17). $R_f = 0.50$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1 : 2). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3422, 2978, 2926, 1663, 1452, 1435, 1373, 1305, 1259, 1183, 1108, 1079, 1056, 1013, 961, 926, 907, 824, 801, 754. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.31 (3H, s), 1.78 (3H, s), 2.21–2.70 (5H, m), 3.45–3.57 (2H, m), 6.77 (1H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 15.51, 21.37, 27.24, 38.43, 41.99, 43.02, 71.96, 135.36, 145.03, 199.24. HR-ESI-MS m/z 269.0148 [M + Na]⁺, 271.0129 [(M + 2) + Na]⁺ (calcd. for C₁₀H₁₅O₂Br Na: 269.0148).

Chloroalcohol (**18**). $R_f = 0.50$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1 : 2). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3442, 2978, 2928, 1663, 1452, 1435, 1373, 1307, 1259, 1183, 1154, 1108, 1058, 1013, 961, 930, 907, 828, 748, 714. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.27 (3H, s), 1.77 (3H,s), 2.18–2.67 (5H, m), 3.52–3.67 (2H, m), 6.77 (1H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 15.47, 21.87, 27.11, 39.19, 41.51, 52.29, 72.66, 135.14, 145.04, 199.63. HR-ESI-MS m/z 225.0654 [M + Na]⁺, 227.0626 [(M + 2) + Na]⁺ (calcd. for C₁₀H₁₅O₂Cl Na: 225.0653).

Iodoalcohol (**20**). $R_f = 0.33$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1:3). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3332, 2928, 2858, 1460, 1417, 1185, 1056, 721.¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.13– 1.55 (16H, m), 3.22 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 6.4 Hz), 3.38 (1H, dd, J = 10.8, 5.4 Hz), 3.51 (1H, m), 3.62 (2H, t, J = 6.7 Hz). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 16.49, 25.55, 25.62, 29.20, 29.27, 29.32, 32.65, 36.49, 62.89, 70.87. HR-ESI-MS m/z 337.0638 [M + Na]⁺ (calcd. for C₁₁H₂₃O₂I Na: 337.0636).

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Bromoalcohol (**21**). $R_f = 0.32$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1 : 3). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3256, 2926, 2858, 1460, 1425, 1375, 1340, 1224, 1054, 721. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.30–1.57 (16H, m), 3.34–3.77 (5H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 25.53, 25.68, 29.32, 29.40, 32.74, 35.07, 40.54, 62.98, 71.03. HR-ESI-MS m/z 289.0776 [M + Na]⁺, 291.0756 [(M + 2) + Na]⁺ (calcd. for C₁₁H₂₃O₂Br Na: 289.0774).

Chloroalcohol (**22**). $R_f = 0.25$ (CH₃CO₂Et/CHCl₃, 1 : 3). IR (neat, cm⁻¹) 3302, 2930, 2858, 1464, 1056, 721. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.25–1.56 (16H, m), 3.44–3.79 (5H, m). ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) δ 25.46, 25.68, 29.27, 29.34, 29.38, 29.43, 32.74, 34.19, 50.53, 63.02, 71.43. HR-ESI-MS m/z 245.1281 [M + Na]⁺, 247.1251 [(M + 2) + Na]⁺ (calcd. for C₁₁H₂₃O₂Cl Na 245.1279).

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