

Figure 3. Curve fit to f' values of Mn(III) (top) and Mn(IV) (bottom).

real part (f') of the anomalous scattering factors of the two resonating atoms, other structural parameters being kept fixed at the full data set values. Results are shown in Figure 2. The smooth variation of f' indicates that its change with energy is quite well determined. This is confirmed by the reproducibility of f'values in two different experimental runs. Examination shows the Mn(IV) minimum to be at several electronvolts above that for Mn(III). Two curve-fitting methods have been tested to obtain quantitative results. In the first, the *triangle method*, a downward pointing V described by

$$f' = f'_0 + |E - E_0|\delta$$
 (1)

is fitted to the central six points of each curve, where the variable parameters  $f'_0$  and  $E_0$  are respectively the f' value and the energy at the minimum, and  $\delta$  is the slope.

In the second method, the expression

$$f' = \frac{g_k}{x^2} \ln |x^2 - 1| + \Delta$$
 (2)

based on an empirical equation given by James,<sup>9</sup> is fitted to all eight points. Here the parameter  $g_k$  is the oscillator strength, and  $x = E/E_0$ .  $\Delta$  is a parameter added to the James equation to allow a vertical shift of f'. Though neither fit reproduces the data points exceedingly well due to the empirical nature of the curves and neglect of fine structure (Figures 2 and 3 and Table I), the methods agree quite well on the magnitude of the shift of about 4 eV. This result is in agreement with the 3.2-eV difference in

Table I.  $E_0$  Values from Fitting Procedure

	$E_0$ (eV)	
	triangle fit	curve fit
Mn(III)	6543.8 (10)	6544.8 (10)
Mn(IV)	6547.5 (26)	6548.8 (24)
$E_0[Mn(IV)] - E_0[Mn(III)]$	3.7	4.0

Table II. 1s Binding Energies from an All-Electron Calculation of the  $(\mu$ -O<sub>2</sub>)(Mn(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> Ion

Mn(III)	-240.9647 au
Mn(IV)	-241.0814 au
$E_0[Mn(IV)] - E_0[Mn(III)]$	0.1167 au = 3.17 eV

binding energies obtained in our all-electron large basis set ab-initio calculation of the  $(\mu$ -O<sub>2</sub>)(Mn(NH<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub> analogue (Table II). This calculation also yielded a near IR electronic transition of 10020 cm<sup>-1</sup> compared with the value of ≈830 nm (=12048 cm<sup>-1</sup>) reported for the parent complex.<sup>7</sup>

Clearly Mn atoms of different valency can be distinguished in a careful experiment. This study shows that direct, site-specific information on the valence of atoms in molecular complexes can be obtained by resonance diffraction.

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## Diastereoselectivity in the Amine-Directed Hydrocarboxylation

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We have previously described a regioselective directed hydrometalation/carbonylation<sup>2</sup> of bidentate olefinic amine Rh(I) complexes (eq 1: R', R" = H; R = H, alkyl).<sup>3-5</sup> Our continued studies probed the diastereofacial selectivity of the process as influenced by the existence of stereogenic centers on the tether connecting the alkene and amine (eq 1: R = R' = R" = alkyl, H). We now report that the amine-directed hydrocarboxylation

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Table I



<sup>a</sup> Isolated yields. Reactions run at -78 °C. <sup>b</sup>Ratio determined by <sup>1</sup>H NMR. <sup>c</sup>See text for explanation.

is a highly diastereofacially selective process as a result of the selectivity in the Rh(I) complex forming step.



Lactams 10-15 (Table I) were formed diastereoselectively by hydrometalation/carbonylation<sup>3</sup> [HCl, P(OMe)<sub>3</sub>, CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C; MeOH, P(OMe)<sub>3</sub>, -78 °C to room temperature] of the corresponding Rh(I) complexes 1-6.4.6 Homoallylic amine complexes 1-4 reacted cleanly to give substituted butyrolactams. The exclusive formation of the cis-disubstituted lactam 13 suggests that, once formed, the product does not equilibrate under the reaction conditions. Bishomoallylic amine complexes 5-7 yielded only the unexpected butyrolactams when the reaction was performed at 0 °C; however, at -78 °C complexes 5, 6, and 9 yielded only the desired valerolactams. Substitution at the amino methylene carbon of a bishomoallylic amine led to the formation of complexes 7 and 8 with a high degree of selectivity. However, complex 7 gave only a butyrolactam (1-butyl-3-ethyl-5-methyl-2-pyrrolidinone, 80%) when the reaction was carried out at 0 °C, and neither the butyrolactam nor the desired valerolactam was found when the reaction was performed at -78 °C. Reactions with complex 8 were less satisfactory, and no lactams or any other recognizable products were obtained.

The overall hydrocarboxylation process is believed to proceed in two steps—hydrometalation in a syn fashion<sup>5</sup> followed by carbonylation with retention of configuration at the migrating center.<sup>10</sup> Reaction of the allylic dideuterio complex 9 gave lactam 16 with no evidence of deuterium scrambling. This result strongly suggests that the hydrometalation under these conditions does not proceed through the intermediacy of  $\pi$ -allyl intermediates. The diastereoselectivity associated with the lactam formation should therefore be a direct result of the stereochemistry of the Rh(I) complex and the strong  $\pi$ -facial bias associated with the Rh(I) complex formation.<sup>7,8</sup> In bidentate complexes 1–7 and 9, the saturated alkylamino group is syn (as determined by <sup>1</sup>H NOE studies) to the terminus of the alkene, whose C–C bond prefers to lie orthogonal to the plane of the square planar complex.<sup>4,9,10,12</sup>

The Rh(I) complexes are apparently formed in an equilibrium process<sup>13</sup> and are evidently in equilibrium in solution at ambient temperature. Complex 4 was isolated as a 4:1 mixture of isomers from the reaction of  $[(CO)_2RhCl]_2$  with (2-methylbut-3-enyl)-butylamine. Recrystallization of the mixture yielded a 10:1 mixture of diastereomers. Upon standing in CDCl<sub>3</sub> overnight, the complexes equilibrated back to a 4:1 mixture.

Insight into the selectivity of complex formation can be obtained by evaluating steric interactions in the possible diastereomeric Rh(I) complexes. The four possible diastereomeric products for complexes 1 or 2 are illustrated in Scheme I. Potential steric interactions in the Rh(I) complexes that may be responsible for the observed selectivity are noted on structures A-D.

Interestingly, the 4:1 mixture of diastereomeric Rh(I) complexes 4 listed as entry 4 in the table gave rise to an 89% yield of a single lactam 13 (cis-disubstituted). This could be a result of equilibration of the complexes at low temperature (-78 °C) although the rate of equilibration would be expected to be significantly slower than at ambient temperature. But, this result may also suggest that the identity of the minor isomer is the other Rh(I) complex that can lead to the cis-disubstituted lactam 13 (analogous to those complexes illustrated in the scheme for 1 and 2, but with a different substitution pattern).

We have shown that the amine-directed<sup>14</sup> rhodium-promoted

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alkene hydrocarboxylation is a highly diastereofacially selective process due to the selectivity inherent in the ligand exchange process and the syn nature of the hydrometalation. Further studies are in progress, and these results will be reported in due course.

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Nonpeptidal Peptidomimetics with a  $\beta$ -D-Glucose Scaffolding. A Partial Somatostatin Agonist Bearing a **Close Structural Relationship to a Potent, Selective** Substance P Antagonist

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We report herein that the use of  $\beta$ -D-glucose as a scaffold for the synthesis of nonpeptidal peptidomimetics<sup>1</sup> has revealed three noteworthy findings: (1) a designed nonpeptidal peptidomimetic is recognized by its receptor at low concentrations as an agonist; (2) at higher concentrations this compound becomes the first known antagonist of somatostatin (SRIF); and (3) a completely unexpected change in biological profile results from a seemingly minor structural modification.

The design and synthesis of  $\beta$ -D-glucose-based nonpeptide mimetics of the potent cyclic hexapeptide SRIF agonist  $(I)^{2,3}$  were previously reported.<sup>4</sup> It was found that II and III completely displaced [125]-CGP 23996 from SRIF receptors on membranes from cerebral cortex, pituitary, and AtT-20 cells with  $IC_{50}$ 's of 10 and 1.3  $\mu$ M, respectively.<sup>5</sup> Sugars II and III also bound weakly to the  $\beta_2$ -adrenergic receptor. Subsequent analysis has now shown that III is a  $\beta_2$ -adrenergic antagonist with an IC<sub>50</sub> of 3  $\mu$ M.



We now report the striking observation that in a functional assay III inhibits GRF-induced growth hormone (GH) release by cultured rat anterior pituitary cells<sup>6</sup> with an IC<sub>50</sub> of 3  $\mu$ M, i.e., III is an SRIF agonist at its endocrine receptor. That III can act as an SRIF agonist strongly suggests that the binding is specific and that the SRIF receptor recognizes the designed III as an SRIF mimetic. This agonism runs counter to the prevailing opinion that designed peptidomimetics with novel scaffolding are unlikely to achieve the degree of fit at the endocrine receptor required for agonism.<sup>7</sup> The maximal level of inhibition (found at 50  $\mu$ M) was only about half that seen with an optimal level of SRIF, suggesting that III is a partial agonist. Indeed at higher concentrations, III antagonized SRIF-induced receptor activation. That III is the first compound, peptidal or nonpeptidal, to display a long-sought antagonism at the SRIF receptor is at least as noteworthy as the above agonism.

We have now found that II and III display a higher affinity to the substance P (SP) receptor, with IC<sub>50</sub>'s of 0.12 and 0.18  $\mu$ M, respectively. Remarkably, the N-acetyl derivative IV<sup>9</sup> binds to

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