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## Diastereoselective Additions of Enantioenriched ( $\gamma$ -Alkoxyallyl)stannanes to $\alpha$ -Alkoxy Aldehydes: A Synthetic Route to Carbohydrates

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Summary:  $BF_3$ ·OEt<sub>2</sub>-promoted additions of the (S)-( $\gamma$ alkoxyallyl)stannane 3-(S) to the (R)- $\alpha$ -alkoxy aldehydes 13 and 18 affords the syn adducts 14 and 19 with greater than 90:10 diastereoselectivity. With MgBr<sub>2</sub> as the catalyst addition to the (S)- $\alpha$ -alkoxy aldehyde 4 is most selective (97:3) with the (S)-( $\gamma$ -alkoxyallyl)stannane 3-(S) whereas  $BF_3$ -promoted addition to 4 is most selective (92:8) with the R enantiomer 3-(R).

In recent years an increasing recognition of the vital role played by carbohydrates in biologically active natural products has stimulated renewed synthetic interest in simple and complex monosaccharides.<sup>1</sup> Our findings that nonracemic ( $\gamma$ -alkoxyallyl)stannanes undergo stereospecific anti  $S_{E}'$  additions to aldehydes affording monoprotected  $syn-1,\overline{2}$ -diol derivatives suggested a possible use for these reagents in carbohydrate synthesis.<sup>2</sup> The present investigation was undertaken to examine matched/mismatched preferences in additions to simple  $\alpha$ -alkoxy aldehydes preliminary to more complex applications.

The  $(\gamma$ -alkoxyallyl)standards 3-(S) and 3-(R) employed for these studies were prepared by reduction of the acylstannane 1 with (R)-(+)- or (S)-(-)-BINAL-H followed by treatment of the crude ( $\alpha$ -hydroxyallyl)stannanes with MOMCl to give the  $(\alpha$ -alkoxyallyl)stannanes 2-(S) and 2-(R) of >95% ee.<sup>3</sup> The expensive (R)- and (S)-binaphthol ligand can be recovered ( $\sim 95\%$ ) through recrystallization from hexane and reused with no loss of effectiveness.<sup>4</sup> Brief treatment of the  $(\alpha$ -alkoxyallyl)stannanes 2-(S) and

2-(R) with BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> at -78 °C afforded the ( $\gamma$ -alkoxyallyl)stannanes 3-(S) and 3-(R) (eq 1). Based on the ee



a) (R)-(+)-BINAL-H; b) /-Pr2NEt, MOMCI; c) (S)-(+)-BINAL-H; d) BF3+OEt2. -78°C

of products derived from these stannanes, the foregoing rearrangements proceed with essentially complete anti stereospecificity.3,5

Addition of stannane 3-(R) to (S)-2-(benzyloxy) propanal  $(4)^6$  gave the two homoallylic alcohols 5 and 6 as a 92:8 mixture (eq 2).<sup>7</sup> Stannane 3-(S), on the other hand, af-



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forded a 67:33 mixture of alcohols 7 and 8 upon addition to aldehyde 4 (eq 3). These mixtures were readily analyzed by integration of the <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra. The stereochemistry of the carbinol center was ascertained from chemical shift differences of the (S)- and (R)-O-methylmandelates.<sup>8</sup>



Addition of the ( $\gamma$ -alkoxyallyl)stannanes 3-(S) and 3-(R) to aldehyde 4 could also be effected with MgBr<sub>2</sub> as the catalyst.<sup>9</sup> The reactions were significantly slower than the  $BF_3$  additions and, as expected, the matched/mismatched pairings were reversed. Thus, 3-(S) gave rise to a 93:7 mixture of alcohols 7 and 9, whereas 3-(R) afforded a 73:25 mixture of alcohols 6 and 10, along with 2% of alcohol 5 (eqs 4 and 5). The presence of the (Z)-olefins 9 and 10 was apparent from the <sup>1</sup>H NMR coupling constants.



As a further extension of this survey we prepared the aldehyde 13 from L-(+)-diethyl tartrate (11), as outlined in eq 6. Addition of stannane 3-(S) in the presence of BF<sub>3</sub>·OEt<sub>2</sub> afforded alcohol 14 as the sole detectable product. Ozonolysis followed by reduction with NaBH<sub>4</sub> yielded



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Figure 1. Proposed transition state orientations for matched additions of ( $\gamma$ -alkoxyallyl)stannanes 3-(S) and 3-(R) to  $\alpha$ -(benzyloxy) aldehyde 4.

diol 15. Support for the relative stereochemistry at C2/C3was secured from the <sup>13</sup>C and <sup>1</sup>H NMR spectra of the acetonide derivative 16. The <sup>13</sup>C spectrum showed methyl peaks at 19.3 and 29.9 ppm as expected for the chair conformation.<sup>10</sup> The bulky side chain is assumed to prefer an equatorial orientation. Two ABX patterns were visible in the <sup>1</sup>H spectrum. Neither showed diaxial coupling. Therefore, the OMOM substituent must be axial and cis to the adjacent side chain as shown.<sup>11</sup>

Several other matched pairings were also examined. Thus, aldehyde 13 afforded alcohol 17 as the only detectable product upon MgBr<sub>2</sub>-promoted reaction with stannane 3-(R) (eq 7). Finally, BF<sub>3</sub>-promoted addition

of stannane 3-(S) to pentabenzylglucose  $(18)^{12}$  yielded a single alcohol product 19 (eq 8). The stereochemistry of these latter two products is assigned by analogy.



The stereochemical trends observed in the foregoing addition reactions seem best accommodated by transition states in which the C=O and C=C assume an antiperiplanar relationship as shown in Figure 1.<sup>13</sup> The highly favored anti orientation of the Bu<sub>3</sub>Sn grouping<sup>3</sup> and an apparently preferred E arrangement of the incipient double bond impose constraints and limit possible transition state orientations. It is assumed that the MgBr<sub>2</sub>-

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promoted additions involve chelation control. The Cornforth model satisfactorily explains the facial selectivity of BF<sub>3</sub>-promoted additions.<sup>14</sup>

The present findings are complimentary to previous studies on additions of achiral ( $\gamma$ -alkoxyallyl)stannanes to  $\alpha$ -alkoxy aldehydes.<sup>9</sup> The use of stannanes 3-(S) and 3-(R) enable products with a stereochemically defined E double bond to be obtained. Further, stereocontrolled hydroxylation of the double bond in these products could lead to  $\omega$ -deoxy sugars. Studies along these lines will be reported in due course.

Typical Experimental Procedure: (-) - (E). (2S, 3R, 4S, 5R)-2,3-Bis(benzyloxy)-1-[(*tert*-butyldimethylsilyl)oxy]-5-(methoxymethoxy)-6-octen-4-ol (14). To a solution of 83.0 mg (0.205 mmol) of stannane **3**-(S) and 79.4 mg (0.191 mmol) of aldehyde 13 in 0.5 mL of dry CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> at -78 °C was added, dropwise, 31 µL (0.248 mmol) of BF<sub>3</sub>·Et<sub>2</sub>O. After 40 min at -78 °C, the reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous  $NaHCO_3$  and allowed to warm to room temperature. The mixture was then diluted with ether and additional NaHCO<sub>3</sub>. After the layers were separated, the aqueous layer was reextracted twice with ether. The combined ether extracts were dried

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over MgSO<sub>4</sub> and concentrated. The crude material was purified by flash chromatography on silica gel. Gradient elution from 5 to 10 to 15 to 20% ethyl acetate-hexanes afforded 72.8 mg (72%, 81% based on 8.9 mg of recovered **13**) of alcohol 14:  $[\alpha]_D^{27}$  -38.1° (*c* 1.24, CHCl<sub>3</sub>); IR (film)  $\nu$  3499, 3030, 2929, 1454, 1256, 1095, 1028, 837, 777, 734, 698 cm<sup>-1</sup>; <sup>1</sup>H NMR (300 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 7.36-7.26 (10 H, m, Ar H), 5.70 (1 H, dq, J = 15.5, 6.4 Hz, H-7), 5.52 (1 H, ddd, J = 15.5, 8.3, 1.5 Hz, H-6), 4.73, 4.54, 4.72, 4.66, 4.63, 4.59 (6 H, AB, J = 6.7, 11.7, 10.4 Hz, OCH<sub>2</sub>O, benzylic H's), 4.22 (1 H, d, J = 8.0 Hz, H-5), 3.86-3.76 (5 H, m, H-2, 3, 4, 5), $3.37 (3 H, s, OCH_3), 3.06 (1 H, d, J = 6.3 Hz, OH), 1.69$  $(3 \text{ H}, \text{ dd}, J = 6.3, 1.4 \text{ Hz}, \text{ vinyl CH}_3), 0.865 (9 \text{ H}, \text{ s}, \text{SiC-})$  $(CH_3)_3$ , 0.0033 (6 H, s, Si $(CH_3)_2$ ); EIMS m/z (relative intensity) 415 (4), 303 (5), 181 (25), 117 (17), 91 (100). Anal. Calcd for C<sub>30</sub>H<sub>46</sub>O<sub>6</sub>Si: C, 67.89; H, 8.74. Found: C, 67.95; H, 8.75.

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## Resolution, Asymmetric Transformation, and Configuration of Tröger's Base. Application of Tröger's Base as a Chiral Solvating Agent<sup>†</sup>

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Summary: Tröger's base, 1, has been resolved by diastereomeric salt formation with a strongly acidic resolving agent, 2. The resolution is attended by an asymmetric transformation. Enantiopure 1 acts as a chiral solvating agent toward several secondary and tertiary alcohols. The configuration of 1 has been determined by X-ray crystallography on salt 3 to be (5S,11S)-(+) which is contrary to that previously established from the circular dichroism spectrum by the method of exciton chirality.

Tröger's base,<sup>1</sup> 2,8-dimethyl-6H,12H-5,11-methanodibenzo[b,f][1,5]diazocine (1) (TB), is a chiral heterocyclic amine whose chirality is solely due to the presence of two stereogenic nitrogen atoms. The chiral nature of 1 was first recognized by Prelog and Wieland, and this observation was confirmed by optical resolution of the racemate.<sup>2</sup> It is the first chiral tertiary amine devoid of non-nitrogen stereogenic centers to have been resolved.



<sup>†</sup>Dedicated to Professor Vladimir Prelog.

Initial efforts to resolve rac-1 with acidic resolving agents, e.g., 10-camphorsulfonic acid, led to the finding that partially resolved samples undergo racemization in acid medium. In order to circumvent the racemization, 1 was subjected to resolution by chromatography on an enantioselective stationary phase (lactose); indeed, 1 is one of the first chiral substances to have been resolved chromatographically.<sup>2</sup> All subsequent reports of resolutions of 1 have been to chromatographic resolutions<sup>3</sup> with the consequence that only small amounts of optically active 1 have been available for study or evaluation of properties. Moreover, it has been asserted that resolution of 1 through formation of diastereomeric salts is not feasible.<sup>4</sup>

There is something of a resurgence of interest in 1 due in large measure to the sharply folded geometry of the molecule, its  $C_2$  symmetry, and its rigidity that makes it

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