Palladium-Catalyzed Intramolecular Carbonyl Allylation via Claisen Rearrangement

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Abstract: Palladium-catalyzed intramolecular carbonyl allylation with SnCl₂ by 5-substituted 4-methylene-5-(2tetrahydropyranyloxy)pentanals, prepared by Claisen rearrangement of 2-[1-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)alkyl]allyl vinyl ethers, occurred regioselectively at ambient temperature in DMI/H₂O to give 2-substituted 3-methylenecyclopentanols in good yields.

Palladium-catalyzed carbonyl allylation by allylic alcohols or esters with SnCl₂ is one of the effective methods for regio- and diastereocontrol in acyclic systems.¹ We report here the application of this palladium-catalyzed carbonyl allylation to the formation of a 5-membered cyclic system: regioselective intramolecular carbonyl allylation by 5-substituted 4-methylene-5-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)pentanal 2 with PdCl₂(PhCN)₂-SnCl₂ in polar solvent.

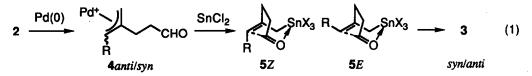
Claisen rearrangement of 2-[1-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)alkyl]allyl vinyl ether 1, which was derived from ethyl 2-(1-hydroxyalkyl)acrylate² via the protection of hydroxy group with DHP, the reduction of ethoxycarbonyl group with DIBAH, followed by the vinylation of allylic alcohol with ethyl vinyl ether,³ produced 5-substituted 4-methylene-5-(2-tetrahydropyranyloxy)pentanal 2.⁴ Intramolecular carbonyl allylation (cyclization) of 2 with PdCl₂(PhCN)₂-SnCl₂ occurred in DMI-H₂O⁵ at ambient temperature to give 2-substituted 3-methylenecyclopentanol 3.⁶ The results are summarized in Table 1.

OTHP PdCl₂(PhCN)₂ SnCl₂ DMI/H₂O, r. t., 5 days THF Intramolecular Carbonyl Allylation R Claisen Rearrangement time (h) 2, yield $(\%)^a$ temp (°C) 3, yield (%)syn:anti^b 160 75 Ph 1 47 32:68 4-CH₃C₆H₄ 150 • 1 35 75 33:67 150 57 39 44:56 CH₃ 1 n-C5H11 140 2.5 65 68 43:57 140 1 64 64 36:64 c-C6H11

 Table 1. Claisen Rearrangement of 1 and Intramolecular Carbonyl Allylation (Cyclization) of 2

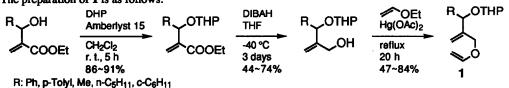
a) The yields based on the consumption of the starting materials 1 are 75~85%. b) The diastereomer ratio was determined by 270 MHz 1 H NMR (GX-270). The structure of the diastereomers (syn and anti) was confirmed by NOE measurement. See ref. 7.

The intramolecular carbonyl allylation occurred at a more substituted allylic position of π -allylpalladium complex 4, similarly to intermolecular carbonyl allylation by allylic alcohol with PdCl₂(PhCN)₂-SnCl₂.^{1a} The diastereoselectivity of the intramolecular carbonyl allylation was not so high. These results suggest that this cyclization proceeds via the formation of a *syn/anti* mixture of π -allylpalladium complex 4, followed by a Z/E mixture of allylic tin intermediate 5 (eq 1).^{1a}



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- 3. The preparation of 1 is as follows:



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- 5. This intramolecular carbonyl allylation of 2 did not occur in the absence of H₂O. The addition of H₂O made it possible to apply various allylic alcohols protected by DHP, namely allyl 2-tetrahydropyranyl ethers, to the palladium-catalyzed carbonyl allylation. Masuyama, Y.; Nimura, Y.; Kurusu, Y. unpublished results.

$$R^{1} \longrightarrow OTHP + R^{2}CHO \xrightarrow{PdCl_{2}(PhCN)_{2}, SnCl_{2}} DMI-H_{2}O (3:1), r. t., 48 h R^{1}: H, R^{2}: Ph, PhCH=CH, n-C_{6}H_{13}, c-C_{6}H_{11} 41-77\% R^{1}: CH_{3}, R^{2}: Ph 55\% (syn:anti=15:85) R^{1}: Ph, R^{2}: Ph 71\% (syn:anti=1:99)$$

- A typical procedure is as follows: To a solution of SnCl₂ (0.32 g, 1.7 mmol) and 2 (R: Ph, 0.18 g, 0.65 mmol) in DMI (3 ml) and H₂O (1 ml) was added PdCl₂(PhCN)₂ (5.0 mg, 0.013 mmol) at ambient temperature under a nitrogen atmosphere. After the mixture was stirred for 5 days, usual treatment and purification by column chromatography on silica gel (hexane:EtOAc=3:1) afforded 85 mg (0.49 mmol, 75%) of 3-methylene-2-phenylcyclopentanol 3 (R: Ph, diastereomer ratio; 68:32) as a colorless oil. ¹H NMR (CDCl₃) 8 1.54~1.71 (m, 0.3H), 1.76~1.93 (m, 1.4H), 1.93~2.04 (m, 0.3H), 2.28 (dt, J=13.6, 4.86 Hz, 0.7H), 2.34~2.44 (m, 0.3H), 2.44~2.56 (m, 0.3H), 2.60~2.75 (m, 0.7H), 3.67 (br, 0.7H), 4.04 (br, 0.3H), 4.13 (br, 0.3H), 4.21 (br, 0.7H), 4.82 (s, 0.3H), 4.84 (s, 0.7H), 4.90~4.98 (m, 0.3H), 4.92 (s, 0.3H), 5.32 (br, 0.7H), 5.48 (s, 0.7H), 7.31 (s, 5H); ¹³C NMR (CDCl₃) & major 27.5, 32.3, 74.7, 92.1, 111.2, 126.5, 127.7, 128.2, 139.2, 146.8. minor 31.0, 34.2, 80.1, 96.5, 111.9, 127.8, 128.1, 128.5, 138.8, 145.7; IR (neat) 3400, 3080, 2950, 2860, 1650, 1455, 1060, 1025, 955, 915, 760, 700; MS (relative intensity) m/z 174 (7.7, M⁺), 173 (17), 172 (37), 167 (41), 150 (12), 149 (100), 147 (16), 130 (14), 129 (63), 115 (12), 105 (26), 91(10), 77 (12), 71 (44), 70 (11), 57 (19), 55 (12); HRMS Calcd for C₁₂H₄O: 174.1044. Found: 174.1038.
- ¹H NMR investigation of 3-methylene-2-(4-methylphenyl)cyclopentanol 3 (R: 4-CH₃C₆H₄) observed NOE between CHOH and 2(6)-proton of phenyl group in a major stereoisomer. Thus the major isomer was found to be *anti*. The structure of other cyclopentanol products was analogized from the result of 3methylene-2-(4-methylphenyl)cyclopentanol.