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Palladium-Catalyzed Reactions of Allyl Acetates with N-Substituted 4-Trimethylstannyl-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridines

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Palladium-catalyzed cross-coupling reactions are widely used in organic synthesis [1]. Diversity of reactants that could be involved in cross-coupling reactions ensures purposeful synthesis of organic molecules with a required structure. In the present communication we report on the reactions of previously obtained N-substituted 4-trimethylstannyl-1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridines I and II [2] with a number of allyl acetates III–VII, including those containing natural alcohol residues (geraniol, nerol, and farnesol). The reactions were carried out according to modified procedures [3, 4] with the use of tris(dibenzylideneacetone)palladium(0) [Pd₂(dba)₃] [5], ethyl(diisopropyl)amine, and anhydrous lithium chloride as catalytic system in N-methylpyrrolidin-2-one (NMP) at 50-55°C. We thus isolated in high yields the corresponding N-protected (Cbz, Boc) 1,2,3,6-tetrahydropyridine derivatives VIII-XIII containing unsaturated hydrocarbon substituents in the 4-position, which attract interest as potential biologically active substances [6] and building blocks for organic synthesis (Scheme 1).

Compound **VIII** was oxidized at both endocyclic and exocyclic double bonds with 3-chloroperoxybenzoic acid in methylene chloride to produce a mixture of diastereoisomeric mono- and diepoxides **XIV** and **XV**. The Boc protection was readily removed from compound **XV** by treatment of the latter with trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate, the epoxide rings being conserved, and the subsequent addition of acetic anhydride to the reaction mixture afforded the corresponding *N*-acetyl derivative **XVI** (Scheme 2).

1,2,3,6-Tetrahydropyridines VIII–XIII (general procedure). To a mixture of 0.23 g (0.243 mmol) of $Pd_2(dba)_3$ and 0.42 g (9.9 mmol) of anhydrous lithium chloride we added under stirring in an argon atmosphere in succession 2.2 mmol of allyl acetate **III–VII** in 6 mL of *N*-methylpyrrolidin-2-one, 2.16 mmol of pyridine derivative **I** and **II** in 6 mL of NMP, and 0.75 mL (5 mmol) of ethyl(diisopropyl)amine. The resulting dark red mixture was stirred for 10 min, heated for 3–8 h at 50–55°C (TLC), cooled, and filtered through a thin layer of celite, the precipitate was washed on a filter with 60 mL of ethyl acetate, the filtrate was poured into 100 mL of a saturated solution of ammonium chloride, the mixture was stirred for 10 min, the organic layer was separated, and the aque-



I, X, XII, XIII, $Cbz = PhCH_2OC(O)$; II, VIII, IX, XI, Boc = t-BuOC(O); II, VIII, R = R' = H; IV, IX, R = R' = Me; V, X, XI, R = Me, R' = (E)- $Me_2C=CHCH_2$; VI, XII, R = Me, R' = (Z)- $Me_2C=CHCH_2$; VI, XII, R = Me, R' = (Z)- $Me_2C=CHCH_2$; VI, XII, R = Me, R' = (E,E)- $Me_2C=CHCH_2CH_2C(Me)=CHCH_2$.



ous layer was extracted with ethyl acetate $(2 \times 50 \text{ mL})$. The extracts were combined with the organic phase, washed with two portions of water and with brine, and dried over sodium sulfate. The solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was subjected to column chromatography on silica gel using hexane–ethyl acetate (5:1 to 3:1) as eluent.

tert-Butyl 4-allyl-3,6-dihydropyridine-1(2*H*)carboxylate (VIII). Yield 79%, light yellow oily substance. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1686 (C=O), 1636, 1625 (C=C). ¹N NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.48 s (9H, *t*-Bu), 2.02 s (2H, CH₂), 2.73 d (2H, CH₂C=, *J* = 8.3 Hz), 3.47 t (2H, NCH₂, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 3.83 s (2H, NCH₂), 5.02 d (2H, CH₂=C, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 5.31 s (1H, 5-H), 5.78 m (1H, CH=C). Mass spectrum, *m/z* (*I*_{rel}, %): 224.26 (100) [*M* + H]⁺, 168.18 (23.4) [*M* – 57 + 2H]⁺. Found, %: C 69.74; H 9.17; N 6.12. C₁₃H₂₁NO₂. Calculated, %: C 69.96; H 9.42; N 6.28. *M* 223.31.

tert-Butyl 4-(3-methylbut-2-en-1-yl)-3,6-dihydropyridine-1(2*H*)-carboxylate (IX). Yield 83%, light yellow oily substance. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1685 (C=O), 1632, 1620 (C=C). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.49 s (9H, *t*-Bu), 1.67 s (3H, CH₃), 1.72 s (3H, CH₃), 2.03 m (2H, CH₂), 2.71 m (2H, CH₂C=), 3.45 t (2H, NCH₂, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 3.82 s (2H, NCH₂), 5.30 s (1H, 5-H), 5.73 m (1H, CH=C). Mass spectrum, *m*/*z* (*I*_{rel}, %): 252.31 (5.2) [*M* + H]⁺, 196.25 (100) [*M* – 57 + 2H]⁺, 152.37 (18.4) [*M* – 101 + 2H]⁺. Found, %: C 71.67; H 10.08; N 5.43. C₁₅H₂₅NO₂. Calculated, %: C 71.73; H 10.23; N 5.64. *M* 251.42.

Benzyl 4-[(2*E***)-3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl]-3,6-dihydropyridine-1(2***H***)-carboxylate (X). Yield 76%, light yellow oily substance. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1694 (C=O), 1638, 1624 (C=C). ¹H NMR spectrum, \delta, ppm: 1.61 s (6H, CH₃), 1.72 s (3H, CH₃), 2.03 m (6H, CH₂), 2.70 d (2H, CH₂,** *J* **= 8.7 Hz), 3.56 t (2H, NCH₂,** *J* **= 7.5 Hz), 3.97 s (2H, NCH₂), 5.12 d (1H, CH=,** *J* **= 9.6 Hz), 5.17 m (3H, OCH₂, CH=), 5.36 s (1H, CH=),** 7.27–7.37 m (5H, H_{arom}). Mass spectrum, m/z (I_{rel} , %): 354.11 (18.2) [M + H]⁺, 310.21 (100) [M – 44 + H]⁺, 218.18 (15.6) [M – 136 + H]⁺. Found, %: C 78.02; H 8.57; N 4.03. C₂₃H₃₁NO₂. Calculated, %: C 78.15; H 8.85; N 4.12. M 353.24.

tert-Butyl 4-[(2*E*)-3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1yl]-3,6-dihydropyridine-1(2*H*)-carboxylate (XI). Yield 92%, light yellow oily substance. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1685 (C=O), 1636, 1628, 1617 (C=C). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.48 s (9H, *t*-Bu), 1.62 s (6H, CH₃), 1.73 s (3H, CH₃), 1.98–2.05 m (6H, CH₂), 2.71 d (2H, CH₂, *J* = 8.8 Hz), 3.48 t (2H, NCH₂, *J* = 7.4 Hz), 3.85 s (2H, NCH₂), 5.08 t (1H, CH=, *J* = 9.2 Hz), 5.13 t (1H, CH=, *J* = 9.4 Hz), 5.34 s (1H, CH=). Mass spectrum, *m*/*z* (*I*_{rel}, %): 320.24 (36.7) [*M* + H]⁺, 264.18 (100) [*M* - 57 + 2H]⁺, 220.30 (58.8) [*M* - 101 + 2H]⁺. Found, %: C 75.04; H 10.36; N 4.58. C₂₀H₃₃NO₂. Calculated, %: C 75.28; H 10.43; N 4.45. *M* 319.48.

Benzyl 4-[(2*Z***)-3,7-dimethylocta-2,6-dien-1-yl]-3,6-dihydropyridine-1(2***H***)-carboxylate (XII). Yield 76%, light yellow oily substance. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1695 (C=O), 1637, 1625 (C=C). ¹H NMR spectrum, \delta, ppm: 1.54 s (3H, CH₃), 1.58 s (3H, CH₃), 1.67 s (3H, CH₃), 2.05 m (6H, CH₂), 2.69 t (2H, CH₂,** *J* **= 7.8 Hz), 3.46 t (2H, NCH₂,** *J* **= 7.8 Hz), 3.81 s (2H, NCH₂), 5.05–5.17 m (4H, OCH₂, CH=), 5.31 s (1H, CH=), 7.24–7.46 m (5H, H_{arom}). Mass spectrum,** *m/z* **(***I***_{rel}, %): 354.28 (100) [***M* **+ H]⁺, 310.32 (21.4) [***M* **– 44 + H]⁺. Found, %: C 77.96; H 8.63; N 3.84. C₂₃H₃₁NO₂. Calculated, %: C 78.02; H 8.85; N 4.12.** *M* **353.24.**

Benzyl 4-[(2*E*,6*E*)-3,7,11-trimethyldodeca-2,6,10trien-1-yl]-3,6-dihydropyridine-1(2*H*)-carboxylate (XIII). Yield 89%, yellow oily substance. IR spectrum, ν, cm⁻¹: 1697 (C=O), 1643, 1631, 1624 (C=C). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 1.50–1.68 m (12H, CH₃), 1.97–2.05 m (10H, CH₂), 2.62 d (2H, CH₂, *J* = 9.3 Hz), 3.47 t (2H, NCH₂, *J* = 7.6 Hz), 3.81 s (2H, NCH₂), 5.12 d (1H, CH=, *J* = 9.6 Hz), 5.01–5.12 m (5H, OCH₂, CH=), 5.38 s (1H, CH=), 7.26–7.37 m (5H, H_{arom}). Mass spectrum, m/z (I_{rel} , %): 422.30 (100) [M + H]⁺, 378.34 (12.4) [M – 44 + H]⁺. Found, %: C 79.63; H 9.18; N 3.42. C₂₈H₃₉NO₂. Calculated, %: C 79.84; H 9.36; N 3.38. M 421.62.

tert-Butyl 6-allyl-7-oxa-3-azabicyclo[4.1.0]heptane-3-carboxylate (XIV) and tert-butyl 6-(oxiran-2-yl)methyl-7-oxa-3-azabicyclo[4.1.0]heptane-3-carboxylate (XV). A mixture of 1.34 g (6 mmol) of compound VIII and 15 mL of anhydrous methylene chloride was cooled to 0°C, 2.58 g (15 mmol) of 3-chloroperoxybenzoic acid was added under stirring, and the mixture was stirred for 50 h at room temperature (until initial diene VIII disappeared). The mixture was filtered, the filtrate was washed with three portions of 7% aqueous potassium hydroxide and with water and dried over Na₂SO₄, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was subjected to chromatography on silica gel to isolate first monoepoxide XIV (eluent ethyl acetate-hexane, 1:5) and then diepoxide XV (ethyl acetate).

Compound **XIV**. Yield 23%, colorless oily substance. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1686 (C=O), 1628 (C=C), 873 (oxirane). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.48 s (9H, *t*-Bu), 1.78–1.91 m (2H, CH₂), 2.37 d (2H, H₂CC=, *J* = 8.1 Hz), 3.06 t (2H, NCH₂, *J* = 7.5 Hz), 3.48 m (1H, NCH), 3.58 d (1H, NCH, *J* = 7.8 Hz), 3.88 br.s (1H, OCH), 5.08–5.15 d (2H, CH₂=, *J* = 9.8 Hz), 5.73 m (1H, CH=). Mass spectrum, *m/z* (*I*_{rel}, %): 240.19 (88.4) [*M* + H]⁺, 184.26 (100) [*M* – 57 + 2H]⁺, 140.39 (52.3) [*M* – 101 + 2H]⁺. Found, %: C 65.03; H 8.56; N 5.67. C₁₃H₂₁NO₃. Calculated, %: C 65.17; H 8.78; N 5.85. *M* 239.31.

Compound **XV**. Yield 37%, colorless thick oily substance. IR spectrum, v, cm⁻¹: 1685 (C=O), 921, 870 (oxirane). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ , ppm: 1.48–1.52 m (9H, *t*-Bu), 1.71–2.05 m (4H, CH₂), 2.48 m (1H, CH), 2.75 m (1H, CH), 2.98–3.07 m (2H, NCH₂), 3.47–3.71 m (2H, NCH₂), 3.78–4.01 m (2H, OCH₂). Mass spectrum, *m*/*z* (*I*_{rel}, %): 256.16 (18.4) [*M* + H]⁺, 200.17 (25.2) [*M* – 57 + 2H]⁺, 156.33 (100) [*M* – 101 + 2H]⁺. Found, %: C 60.84; H 8.17; N 5.32. C₁₃H₂₁NO₄. Calculated, %: C 61.10; H 8.23; N 5.48. *M* 255.31.

1-[6-(Oxiran-2-ylmethyl)-7-oxa-3-azabicyclo-[4.1.0]hept-3-yl)ethanone (XVI). Trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate, 1.33 g (6 mmol), was added dropwise to a mixture of 0.51 g (2 mmol) of compound XV and 0.41 g (4 mmol) of triethylamine in 6 mL of anhydrous methylene chloride, maintaining the temperature not higher than 20°C. The mixture was stirred for 25 h (TLC), 0.41 g of triethylamine in 6 mL of methylene chloride and 0.61 g (6 mmol) of acetic anhydride were added in succession, and the mixture was stirred for 3 h. It was then poured into 20 mL of a saturated aqueous solution of sodium hydrogen carbonate, the organic phase was separated, and the aqueous phase was extracted with 30 mL of methylene chloride. The extract was combined with the organic phase and dried over Na₂SO₄, the solvent was removed under reduced pressure, and the residue was purified by chromatography on silica gel using ethyl acetate as eluent. Yield 0.26 g (66%), colorless thick oily substance which slowly crystallized. IR spectrum, v, cm^{-1} : 1701 (C=O), 920, 867 (oxirane). ¹H NMR spectrum, δ, ppm: 1.70-2.08 m (7H, CH₂, CH₃), 2.51 m (1H, CH), 2.78 m (1H, CH), 2.96-3.04 m (2H, NCH₂), 3.45-3.69 m (2H, NCH₂), 3.81-4.03 m (2H, OCH₂). Mass spectrum, m/z (I_{rel} , %): 198.31 (100) [M + H]⁺. Found, %: C 60.73; H 7.41; N 6.95. C₁₀H₁₅NO₃. Calculated, %: C 60.84; H 7.60; N 7.10. M 197.24.

The IR spectra were recorded on a Specord 75 IR spectrometer from thin films. The ¹H NMR spectra were measured on a Varian Mercury Plus-400 spectrometer (400 MHz) from solutions in CDCl₃ (VIII, IX, XI, XIV–XVI) or DMCO- d_6 (X, XI, XIII); hexamethyldisiloxane was used as internal standard. The mass spectra (atmospheric pressure chemical ionization) were obtained on a Thermo Finnigan Surveyor MSQ instrument (USA).

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