ring fusion of 19 was assigned on the basis of the strong (13%) NOE observed between the angular hydrogens H_{3a} (apparent q at δ 3.71, J = 10.1, 8.2, 9.6 Hz, CDCl₃) and H_{9b} (d at δ 5.82, J = 8.1 Hz). Treatment of 12b with tributyltin triflate, on the other hand, produced a ca. 10:1 mixture of the trans and cis ring fused lactones 20 and 21, respectively, in a 94% combined yield. The stereochemical assignment for these isomeric lactones was done on the basis of comparative ¹H NMR DNOE experiments. ¹³ Specifically, the observed NOE between the angular hydrogens H_{3a} and H_{10b} is 3% in the major isomer 20 and 17% in the minor isomer 21, indicating a trans and a cis relationship, respectively.

The stereospecific intramolecular replacement of the sulfur atom from γ -arylsulfanylbutyrolactones via α -acyloxy radicals or α -acyloxy carbocations, then, broadens the range of application of the chiral sulfoxide-directed lactonization reaction. In addition, the present methodology provides a nontraditional entry into ring-fused lactones, for it allows the stereospecific construction of a carbocyclic ring onto a preformed lactone.

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Regiocontrol in the Intermolecular Cobalt-Catalyzed Olefin-Acetylene Cycloaddition

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In 1973 Pauson showed that alkyne dicobalt octacarbonyl complexes react with olefins to give rise to cyclopentenones. Let However, there are two major problems associated with the intermolecular cycloaddition. First, mixtures of regioisomeric cyclopentenones, i.e., 1 and 2, are formed from unsymmetrically substituted olefins, although unsymmetrically substituted acetylenes prefer (due to steric interactions) an orientation which places the larger substituent in the α position of the cyclopentenone (eq 1). Second, the yields are consistently low when simple olefins

are used. We now report the first examples of the use of ligands to provide regiocontrol in the intermolecular olefin-acetylene cycloaddition and to contribute to a significant improvement in the overall yield.³

Scheme I

Scheme II

Since its introduction, the reaction (referred to as the Pauson⁴ cyclization) has attracted much attention due to its synthetic utility;^{5,6} however, use has been limited to the intramolecular modification due to the aforementioned problems. Recent studies employing the intramolecular version include the use of ultrasound⁷ and silica gel as a medium for the cycloaddition.^{8,9}

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A mechanism has been proposed, 4.5 although experimental evidence is lacking. A potential solution to the regioisomer problem may, however, be envisioned by considering the proposed mechanism (Scheme I). Initially, the olefin must coordinate to

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the cobalt complex. Apparently, a mixture of isomeric complexes is formed in solution prior to cycloaddition. In step 1, the initial carbon-carbon bond forming step, it has been proposed that the substituent on the acetylene provides steric interference to the formation of the first bond, causing it to be formed with the less substituted end of the acetylene. Therefore, in the reaction of unsymmetrically substituted olefins and terminal acetylenes, regioisomers arise only from initial bond formation to either end of the olefin and not to either end of the acetylenic moiety.

After consideration of the proposed mechanism, we felt that a heteroatom tethered to the olefin by a carbon chain would coordinate to cobalt and control the regiochemical outcome of the reaction, which is determined in step 1 (Scheme II). Use of bidentate olefinic ligands was also expected to provide a more stable initial complex and lead to increased yields of products.

Oxygen, sulfur, and nitrogen were investigated for their efficacy as directing ligands. As anticipated, alcohols and methoxymethyl ethers did not provide ligand directed regioselectivity, and a 1:1 mixture of regioisomeric cyclopentenones was obtained.¹⁰ Both sulfur and nitrogen ligands provided excellent regiocontrol. For example, reaction of 3-butenyl methyl sulfide with phenylacetylene hexacarbonyldicobalt (3) in toluene at 90 °C for 30 h gave rise to an 18:1 ratio of cyclopentenones in 61% yield (eq 2), easily separated by flash chromatography. II Similarly, amino olefin 4 reacted with 3, under the same conditions, generating a quaternary center in 77% yield (eq 3)

Extension of the chain length between the heteroatom and the alkene resulted in a decrease in selectivity.12 For example, reaction of bishomoallylic amine 5 or sulfide 6 with cobalt complex 3 gave rise to a 3:1 mixture of regioisomers in 69% and 52% yields, respectively (entries 10 and 11 in Table I).

In general, 13 the cycloaddition reactions were carried out by the addition of the olefinic substrate to 2 equiv of the preformed cobalt complex^{1,4} and warming the mixture to 90 °C for 24-36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Since the cobalt complex slowly decomposes at 90 °C, it was necessary to add 1-2 additional equiv of it during the course of the reaction. In addition to promoting the faster decomposition of the cobalt complex, higher reaction temperatures led to the formation of dienes resulting from β elimination instead of CO insertion¹⁵ and products arising from olefin migration of the newly formed cyclopentenones. The cycloaddition proceeded very slowly under an atmosphere of carbon monoxide, and, thus, attempts to use catalytic amounts of cobalt were unsuccessful. The reaction was found to be general and could be carried out by using a variety of substituted olefinic amines and sulfides, and cobalt-acetylene complexes, for example, 1-

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Table I.

Entr	y Olefin	Coba comp	lt lex Product(s)	Yield ^a
1	SMe	7	MeS Bu Bu Bu Bu 8:1	60%
2	SMe	3	MeS Ph Ph	61%
3	SMe	3	MeS Ph Ph MeS (t:c = 19:1) 40:1	73%
4	SMe	8	MeS TMS TMS (t:c=20:1) 25:1	65%
5	NMe ₂	3	Me ₂ N Ph Ph Ph 20 : 1	77%
6	NMe ₂	7	Me ₂ N Bu Bu Bu	60%
7	NMe2	3	18:1 Me ₂ N Ph Me ₂ N Ph 5:1	72%
8	S _{NN}	1e ₂ 3	Me ₂ N Ph	28%
9	NMe ₂	3	Me ₂ N Ph	68% ^b
	√ x		$X \longrightarrow X \longrightarrow X$	
10 11	5 X = NMe 6 X = SMe			Ph 69% Bu 52%

^a Isolated yields. ^b See text for explanation.

Scheme III

hexyne hexacarbonyldicobalt (7) and trimethylsilylacetylene hexacarbonyldicobalt (8). The results are summarized in Table

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Reaction of either methyl cis-3-pentenylsulfide (9) or methyl trans-3-pentenylsulfide (10) with complex 3 yielded the trans 2,3,5-trisubstituted cyclopentenone 11 as the major product (Scheme III). We have shown that epimerization can take place after formation of the cyclopentenone.¹⁷ Warming a toluene solution of a 4:1 mixture of 11:12 for 12 h in the presence of 3 gave rise to an 11:1 ratio of 11:12 in 95% yield. Reaction of either the cis- or trans-3-pentenyldimethylamine with cobalt complex 3 led to formation of the desired cyclopentenone; however, isomerization of the trisubstituted olefin to the tetrasubstituted isomer (entry 9 in Table I) was competitive.

In summary, the use of a directing ligand on the olefinic partner in the cobalt catalyzed olefin-acetylene cyclization provides a very high degree of regiocontrol in the intermolecular reaction. In addition, compared to previous intermolecular cycloadditions, the use of a directing ligand also contributes to a significant improvement in the overall yield. Applications to the synthesis of natural products will be reported in due course.

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prior to cycloaddition.

A New Method for the Instant Preparation of Large Unilamellar Vesicles

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In aqueous solutions phospholipid (PL) molecules form self closed spherical structures where one or several PL bilayers entrap part of the solvent in its/their interior. In the case of multilamellar structures they are called liposomes or multilamellar vesicles (MLV), while terms such as small and large unilamellar vesicles (SUV and LUV, respectively) are used when a single bilayer separates internal and external solutions.2

SUV's and LUV's are very important in the studies of membranes, membrane proteins, and as delivery vehicles for drugs and genetic material into cells, and many different methods for their preparation exist.^{3,4} However, most of them are time consuming and require relative demanding laboratory equipment. These methods involve the exposure of PL's and material to be encapsulated to physical stresses (sonication, high hydrostatic pressures) and/or a nonmild chemical environment (organic solvents, detergents, low/high pH) which may harm these sensitive substances. A simple, quick, and harmless method for vesicle preparation is still being searched for.

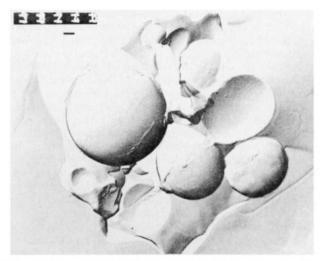


Figure 1. Freeze fracture EM micrograph of vesicle preparation. Vesicles were formed instantly by swelling PL film deposited on a silicon wafer in excess water. Bar indicates 100 nm.

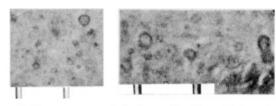


Figure 2. Phase contrast optical micrographs of instantly formed vesicles at two different magnifications. The distance between bars is 10 μ m.

MLV's are formed spontaneously when dry PL films are hydrated and swollen in excess water by gentle shaking.1 In contrast to the finite swelling behavior of uncharged films, charged PL films exhibit infinite swelling in excess water, and the spontaneous formation of heterogeneous populations of vesicles has already been reported.^{5,6} By similar procedure, homogeneous preparations of SUV's have also been prepared. However SUV's are not very suitable for the encapsulation because of their small internal volume.

In this communication we report on the "instant", spontaneous formation of rather homogeneous preparations of LUV's by an extremely simple technique. This procedure is completely analogous to the spontaneous formation of MLV's in that here LUV's are formed only by adding water to the dry PL film. The formation of multilamellar structures is prevented by inducing a surface charge on the bilayers while the size of the vesicles is controlled by the topography of the support surface on which PL film was deposited.

We deposited 0.5-1 mg of egg yolk lecithin (EYL) doped with 1.5-5 wt % of cationic detergent cetyltrimethylammonium bromide (CTAB) in 3 mL of CHCl₃/CH₃OH on a specially etched 2-in. silicon wafer (silicon dioxide-silicon, heavy P+ (boron) doped, vertical topography 0.5-μm steps, horizontal topography 6-10-μm random area).8 This wafer was put in place of the original bottom

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