PHOTOCHEMISTRY OF CONJUGATED POLYACETYLENES: PHOTOREACTION OF 1-PHENYL-1,3-PENTADIYNE WITH SOME OLEFINS

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Summary: Photolyses of 1-phenyl-1,3-pentadiyne with various olefins such as 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene, acrylonitrile, and ethyl vinyl ether yield site selective and/or regioselective photoadducts.

We have previously reported the photoreaction of 1,4-diphenyl-1,3-butadiyne with 2,3-dimethyl-2butene(DMB) to yield cyclobutene, bicyclopropane and bicyclobutene photoadducts.¹ In this investigation, we report a site selective and/or regioselective photoreaction of an unsymmetrical diacetylene, 1-phenyl-1,3pentadiyne(PPD) with some olefins such as 2,3-dimethyl-2-butene(DMB), acrylonitrile(AN), and ethyl vinyl ether(EVE).

Deacrated DMB solution of PPD(4 mM) was irradiated with 300nm UV light to obtain site specific 1:1 photoadduct(1).³ Irradiation of PPD(4 mM) with unsymmetrical olefins(EVE and AN) in deacrated solutions² yields site selective and regioselective [2+2] type 1:1 photoadducts(2 and 3) and 1:2 photoadducts(4-9).³ The structure of these adducts was determined by various physical methods⁴, including ¹³C-NMR spectroscopy, which is vital for the determination of the reaction site.



The UV spectra (Figure 1) of these photoproducts do not show the characteristic vibrational fine structure of conjugated polyacetylenes.⁵ The absorption maxima were red shifted in 1-3 and blue shifted in 4-9 indicating that the conjugated system is sustained in 1:1 adducts but not in 1:2 adducts. The mass spectra of these photoproducts show molecular ion (M⁺) peaks indicating that the photoproducts 1-3 are formed by addition of one olefin molecule, while 4-9 are formed by addition of two olefin molecules to one PPD. The ¹³C-NMR spectra for all of these adducts show two sp hybridized carbon peaks indicating that one of the carbon-carbon triple bonds remains intact. The existence of ethynyl benzene moiety(120-125 ppm) for all of these adducts indicates that C3-C4 triple bond is the reactive site. The site selective structure of 1-3 was also supported by the methyl substituted sp² carbon peaks(156.52, 153.27, and 153.61 ppm, respectively) of the cyclobutene ring. The 1:2 adducts(4-6) rearranged to give ring opened 1,5-diene products(10 and 11)⁶ on warming to 101°C(in methylcyclohexane) indicating that they were bicyclohexyl products.⁷



The regiochemistry of 1:2 adducts(4-6) was determined by mass fragmentation patterns of 10 and 11. The fragments corresponding to the loss of C_4H_7 and $C_{15}H_{17}O_2$ appear at m/e 55 and 229 indicating that the ethoxy groups are attached to the C-2 and C-6 of bicyclohexane products.

Nuclear Overhauser effect(NOE) provided substantial evidence for the regiochemistry of 1:2 photoproducts(4-9). Saturation of methyl protons in these photoadducts(4-9) gives a larger intensity enhancement of the methylene protons(H_B and H_c) than H_A and irradiation of H_A gives a larger NOE effect for methylene protons than methyl protons (Table 1). The ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR spectra⁴ of 1:2 adducts 5, 6, 8, and 9 show symmetrical patterns in the bicyclic ring and 4 and 7 are unsysmmetrical.⁴ Three diastereomers (by two chiral centers and one puckered bicyclohexane ring) can exist for each set of photoadducts 4-6 and 7-9. Adducts 4 and 7 are determined to be endo, exo products from their unsymmetric structure deduced from their ¹H-and ¹³C-NMR spectra. The other products(5, 6, 8, and 9) are determined to be endo, endo and exo, exo bicyclic stereoisomers. The stereochemisty of 5, 6, 8, and 9 is assigned by NOE studies provided substantial support for orientation of ethoxy and nitrile group (Table 1).



Figure 1. UV absorbance spectra of PPD $(2.7 \times 10^{-5} M)$, $1(5.1 \times 10^{-5} M)$, and $4(5.0 \times 10^{-5} M)$. UV spectra of the other 1:1 and 1:2 photoadducts are very similar to those of 1 and 4, respectively.⁴

Saturation of methyl protons(1.26 ppm) in adduct 8 gives an intensity enhancement(1.1%) of H_A , while saturation of H_A gives 1.1% enhancement of methyl proton intensity. On the other hand, saturation of methyl protons of adduct 9 does not give intensity enhancement of H_A and saturation of H_A does not give an enhancement of methyl protons indicating that adduct 8 is *endo*, *endo* and 9 is *exo*, *exo* product, respectively. The NOE studies for 5 and 6 also give smiliar results as shown in Table 1, indicating that adduct 5 is *endo*, *endo* and 6 is *exo*, *exo* product.

	H H H H	Adducts	Satd. region	Enhancement (%)			
				H₄	He	Hc	CH6
		5	CH ₃	1.6	2.4	_	-
			H _A	_	4.7	1.0	0.7
		6	CH3		1.9	-	_
			H _A	_	0.9	4.3	-
		8	CH3	1.1	2.0(H _B	and H _C) ^a	-
			H₄		5.0(H _B	and $H_{\rm C})^{\rm a}$	1.1
endo, endo	өхо, өхо	9	CH ₃	-	2.1		-
			H _A		-	4.4	_

Table 1. Results of NOE studies on 5, 6, 8, and 9. a; The methylene protons(H_B and H_C) of 8 are not resolved in the ¹H-NMR.

In the photolysis(Figure 2) of PPD with EVE and AN, the 1:1 photoadduct 2(3) is initially formed and prolonged irradiation of the solution results in the formation of 1:2 photoadducts 4-6(7-9) suggesting that 1:1 photoadduct is the primary photoproduct and 1:2 photoadducts are the secondary photoproducts.



Figure 2. Kinetics of the photoreactions. a; The concentration change of each compound was monitored against irradiation time.

Irradiation of pure 2(3) with EVE(AN) in deaerated n-hexane(THF) solution results in the formation of 4-6(7-9) strongly supporting that 1:2 photoadducts are formed as the secondary photoproducts from 1:1 photoadducts and regiochemistry of 1:1 photoadducts is deduced from the regiochemistry of 1:2 adducts(4-9). The mechanistic studies for the reaction are in progress in this laboratory.

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- 2. (a) c(EVE) = 400 mM in n-hexane. (b) c(AN) = 400 mM in THF.
- 3. 1: 1-(phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-3,3,4,4-tetramethylcyclobutene.
 - 2: 1-(phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-4-ethoxycyclobutene.
 - 3: 1-(phenylethynyl)-2-methyl-4-cyanocyclobutene.

4: 2,6-endo,exo-diethoxy-1-(phenylethynyl)-4-methylbicyclo[2.2.0.]hexane.

5: 2,6-endo,endo-diethoxy-1-(phenylethynyl)-4-methylbicyclo[2.2.0.]hexane.

6: 2,6-exo,exo-diethoxy-1-(phenylethynyl)-4-methylbicyclo[2.2.0.]hexane.

7: 2,6-endo,exo-dicyano-1-(phenylethynyl)-4-methylbicyclo[2.2.0.]hexane.

8: 2,6-endo,endo-dicyano-1-(phenylethynyl)-4-methylbicyclo[2.2.0.]hexane.

9: 2,6-exo,exo-dicyano-1-(phenylethynyl)-4-methylbicyclo[2.2.0.]hexane.

4. All the photoadducts are oily.

1: ¹H-NMR(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.27-7.45(5H, m), 1.71(3H, s), 1.13(6H, s), 1.05(6H, s); ¹⁰C-NMR(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 156.52, 131.50, 128.18, 127.76, 126.01, 123.76, 92.90, 82.03, 48.54, 47.17, 22.20, 21.34, 10.72; **R**(NaCl) 2948, 2862, 2194, 1595, 1489, 1446, 1368, 756, 690 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λ -max 298 and 288 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 224(M⁺, 4.0), 139(M⁺-C₉H₇⁺, 100); **HRMS**, m/e 224.1553, calcd for C₁₇H₂₀ 224.1565.

2: ¹**H-NMR**(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.19-7.39 (5H, m), 4.41(1H, m), 3.67(1H, m), 3.56(1H, m), 2.58(1H, m), 2.36(1H, m), 1.85(3H, dd), 1.28(3H, t); ¹³**C-NMR**(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.27, 131.49, 128.22, 128.09, 124.03, 123.37, 92.81, 82.52, 75.58, 63.89, 39..77, 29.68, 16.06, 15.49; **IR**(NaCl) 2974, 2919, 2200, 1489, 1442, 1113, 757, 691 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λ max 294 and 277 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 212(M⁺, 51.7), 139(M⁺-C₆H₁₅, 100), 115(C₉H₇⁺, 78.9); **HRMS**, m/e 212.1219, calcd for C₁₅H₁₆O 212.1201.

3: ¹H-NMR(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.47 (5H, m), 3.62(1H, m), 2.83(1H, m), 2.71(1H, m), 1.91(3H, dd); ^BC-NMR(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 153.61, 131.65, 128.72, 128.32, 122.27, 119.39, 117,65, 93.43, 80.70, 36.11, 29.14, 16.15; IR(NaCl) 2930, 2236, 2203, 1489,1437,1319, 758, 691 cm⁻⁴; UV(n-hexane) λ max

292 and 276 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 193(M⁺, 13.6), 165(M⁺-CH₂N, 17.5), 140(M⁺-AN, 55.6), 139(M⁺-ANH, 100); **HRMS**, m/e 193.0908, calcd for $C_{\mu}H_{\mu}N$ 193.0891.

4: ¹H-NMR(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25-7.45(5H, m), 4.44(1H, dd), 4.17(1H, dd), 3.78(1H, m), 3.64(1H, m), 3.47(2H, m), 2.46(1H, dd), 2.26(1H, dd), 2.13(1H, dd), 2.04 (1H, dd), 1.20-1.32(9H, m); ^BC-NMR(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 131.62, 128.10, 127.54, 124.09, 87.48, 87.41, 72.75, 70.15, 64.74, 63.90, 51.37, 43.84, 39.23, 33.88, 22.06, 15.20, 15.15; **IR**(NaCl) 2972, 2879, 2216, 1442, 1371,1343, 1174, 1114, 756, 692 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λmax 253 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 284(M⁺, 0.6), 229(M⁺-C₄H₇, 18.2), 115(C₉H₇⁺, 100), 29(C₂H₅⁺, 88.8); **HRMS**, m/e 284.1778, calcd for C₁₉H₂₄O₂ 284.1776.

5: ¹**H-NMR**(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26-7.43(5H, m), 4.27(2H, dd), 3.67(2H, m), 3.49(2H, m), 2.41(2H, dd), 2.29(2H, dd), 1.23(6H, t), 1.20(3H, s); ^B**C-NMR**(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 131.63, 128.11, 127.45, 124.33, 88.78, 84.45, 76.65, 64.87, 52.66, 40.82, 38.90, 23.56,15.24; **IR**(NaCl) 2973, 2868, 2211, 1443, 1375, 1185, 1141, 1094, 756, 692 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λ max 252 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 284(M⁺, 0.6), 229(M⁺-C₄H₇, 19.1), 115(C₉H₇⁺, 100), 29(C₂H₅⁺, 82.0); **HRMS**, m/e 284.1780, calcd for C₁₉H₃₄O₂ 284.1776.

6: ¹**H-NMR**(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26-7.45(5H, m), 3.94(2H, dd), 3.86(2H, m), 3.48(2H, m), 2.41(2H, dd), 1.98(2H, dd), 1.33(3H, s), 1.27(6H, t); ¹³**C-NMR**(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 131.56, 128.18, 127.59, 123.96, 91.50, 86.04, 76.46, 65.02, 48.03, 41.28, 35.33, 22.05, 15.17; **IR**(NaCl) 2972, 2866, 2218, 1490,1442, 1340, 1164, 1164, 11177, 757, 692 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λ max 254 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 284(M⁺, 0.5), 229(M⁺-C₄H₇, 7.9), 115(C₉H₇⁺, 85.7), 29(C₂H₅⁺, 100); **HRMS**, m/e 284.1793, calcd for C₁₉H₂₄O₂ 284.1776.

7: ¹H-NMR(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.50(5H, m), 3.89(1H, dd), 3.59(1H, dd), 2.58(1H, dd), 2.41-2.47(3H, m), 1.28(3H, s); ^BC-NMR(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 131.76, 128.80, 128.16, 121.51, 118.68, 118.14, 91.75, 82.75, 45.48, 43.89, 37.34, 35.24, 28.81, 27.89, 21.36; **IR**(NaCl) 2953, 2238, 1491, 1440, 1068, 759, 692 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λ max 249 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 246(M⁺, 11.4), 231(M⁺-CH₃, 50.9), 204(M⁺-C₂H₂N, 91.4), 55(C₄H₇⁺, 100); **HRMS**, m/e 246.1131, calcd for C₁₇H₁₄N₂ 246.1157.

8: ¹H-NMR(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.28-7.41 (5H, m), 3.69(2H, dd), 2.51-2.61(4H, m), 1.26(3H, s); ^BC-NMR(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 131.63, 128.90, 128.31, 121.46, 116.58, 88.91, 85.38, 46.74, 40.48, 36.45, 27.64, 20.27; **I**R(NaCl) 2952, 2237, 1444, 1070, 760, 692 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λ max 248 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 246(M⁺, 5.6), 231(M⁺-CH₃, 37.5), 204(M⁺-C₂H₂N, 72.1), 55(C₄H₇⁺, 100); **HRMS**, m/e 246.1152, calcd for C₁₇H_µN₂ 246.1157.

9: ¹**H-NMR**(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.29-7.56(5H, m), 3.45(2H, dd), 2.58(2H, dd), 2.37(2H, dd), 1.36(3H, s); ^b**C-NMR**(75MHz, CDCl₃) δ 132.02, 128.87, 128.21, 121.71, 118.89, 93.63, 81.30, 46.04, 45.11, 36.37, 31.09, 22.47; **IR**(NaCl) 2953, 2241, 1490,1443, 1070, 759, 693 cm⁻¹; **UV**(MeOH) λ max 249 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 246(M⁺, 1.6), 231(M⁺-CH₃, 10.7), 204(M⁺-C₂H₂N, 17.4), 55(C₄H₇⁺, 89.6); **HRMS**, m/e 246.1141, calcd for C₁₇H₄₄N₂ 246.1157.

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- 6. 10: ¹H-NMR(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.25-7.43(5H, m), 6.73(1H, s), 4.81(1H, s), 4.78(1H, s), 4.57(1H, dd), 3.93(2H, q), 3.61(1H, m), 3.40(1H, m), 2.49(2H, m), 1.78(3H, s), 1.28(3H, t), 1.22(3H, t); **R**(NaCl) 2923, 2852, 2201, 1639, 1490, 1201, 1087, 756, 691 cm⁻¹; **UV**(n-hexane) λ max 302, 286 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 284(M⁺, 5.8), 229(M⁺-C₄H₉, 17.5), 115(C₉H₇⁺, 48.3), 29(C₂H₅⁺, 100).

11: ¹H-NMR(300MHz, CDCl₃) δ 7.26-7.49(5H, m), 6.48(1H, s), 4.81(2H,br s), 4.01(2H, q), 3.78(1H, t), 3.64(1H, m), 3.32(1H, m), 2.51(2H, d), 1.78(3H, s), 1.35(3II,t), 1.21(3H, t); **IR**(NaCl) 2921, 2852, 2208, 1695, 1451, 1233, 757, 696 cm⁻¹; **UV**(n-hexane) λ max 300, 283 nm; **MS**(70eV), m/e 284(M⁺, 4.5), 229(M⁺-C₄H₉, 18.5), 115(C₉H₇⁺, 47.0), 29(C₂H₅⁺, 100).

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