

Highly Regio- and Stereoselective Hydrostannylation of Alkynols with A New Lewis Acidic Hydrostannane

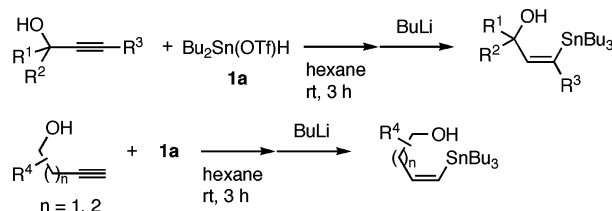
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ABSTRACT



$\text{Bu}_2\text{Sn}(\text{OTf})\text{H}$ (**1a**), easily prepared from Bu_2SnH_2 and TfOH , was found to be very valuable for highly regio- and stereoselective hydrostannylation of various propargyl alcohols leading to (Z) - γ -stannylated allyl alcohols. The stannylation with **1a** is applicable to the synthesis of hydroxy-substituted (Z) -vinylstannanes from terminal alkynes bearing a hydroxy group at the homoallylic or bishomoallylic position. The coordination of the hydroxy group to the Lewis acidic tin center plays an important role for the observed regio- and stereochemistry.

Vinylstannanes are important reagents working as vinyl anion equivalents for stereo-controlled alkene synthesis.¹ Among various synthetic routes to vinylstannanes, hydrostannylation of alkynes with hydrostannanes is a most straightforward and convenient route. Much attention has been paid to the development of regio- and stereoselective hydrostannylation based on the elaboration of the promoter.^{2–5} Radical-initiated

reactions are valuable for the synthesis of functionalized vinylstannanes; however, the stereoselectivity is generally low.² We have recently described that the Et_3B -initiated hydrostannylation of γ -unsubstituted propargyl alcohols with Bu_2SnClH (**1b**) shows high levels of regio- and stereocontrol at low temperatures.^{6,7} Unfortunately, this method is ineffective in selective hydrostannylation of other alkynols. We herein report that $\text{Bu}_2\text{Sn}(\text{OTf})\text{H}$ (dibutyl(trifluoromethanesulfoxy)stannane, **1a**), a more Lewis acidic hydrostannane, realizes highly regio- and stereoselective hydrostannylation of various alkynols at room temperature.

Hydrostannane **1a** can easily be prepared by the dehydrogenative reaction of Bu_2SnH_2 with 1 equiv of TfOH without solvent at 0°C .⁸ The hydrostannane thus obtained

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was used without purification. Propargyl alcohol **2a** reacted spontaneously with **1a** at room temperature. Treatment of the resulting mixture with BuLi gave (*Z*)-vinylstannane **3a** in a high isolated yield (entry 1 in Table 1). The regio- and

Table 1. Hydrostannylation of Propargyl Alcohols **2** with **1a**^a

| entry | propargyl alcohol | | | yield (%) ^b | (Z)-3:4 |
|----------------|--|----------------|---|------------------------------------|----------------------------|
| | R ¹ | R ² | R ³ | | |
| 1 | <i>n</i> -C ₈ H ₁₇ | H | H | (2a) 89 | >99:1 ^c |
| 2 ^d | <i>n</i> -C ₈ H ₁₇ | H | H | (2a) 83 | 93:7 |
| 3 | <i>c</i> -C ₆ H ₁₁ | H | H | (2b) 93 | >99:1 ^c |
| 4 ^e | H | H | H | (2c) 85 | >99:1 |
| 5 | Me | Me | H | (2d) 90 | 96:4 |
| 6 | H | H | Me | (2e) 88 (50) ^f | 71:26 (>99:1) ^f |
| 7 ^d | H | H | Me | (2e) 77 | 7:93 ^g |
| 8 | H | H | <i>n</i> -C ₁₀ H ₂₁ | (2f) 91 (77) ^f | 91:9 (>99:1) ^f |
| 9 | H | H | SiMe ₃ | (2g) 64 (85) ^h | >98:2 (>99:1) ^h |
| 10 | Me | H | <i>n</i> -C ₆ H ₁₃ | (2h) 72 (89) ^h | 97:3 (97:3) ^h |

^a Unless otherwise noted, the initial step was carried out with **2** (1.00 mmol) and **1a** (1.10 mmol) in hexane (2 mL) at room temperature for 3 h. The resultant mixture was diluted with Et₂O (2 mL) and treated with BuLi (1.6 M in hexane, 2.2–2.5 mmol) at 0 °C for 20 min. ^b Isolated yield of a mixture of (*Z*)-**3** and **4**. ^c A trace amount of (*E*)-**3** (<1%) was formed. ^d **1b** was used instead of **1a**. ^e BuMgBr (in Et₂O) was used instead of BuLi. ^f After the reaction of **2** with **1a**, the reaction mixture was concentrated under reduced pressure and heated at 80 °C for 3 h. The resultant mixture was diluted with Et₂O and treated with BuLi. The results are shown in parentheses. ^g (Z)-**3e**:(Z)-**4e**:(*E*)-**4e** = 7:64:29. ^h Et₃B (0.10 mmol) and dry air were used as initiator. The results are shown in parentheses. (*Z*)-**3h** could be isolated in 86% yield.

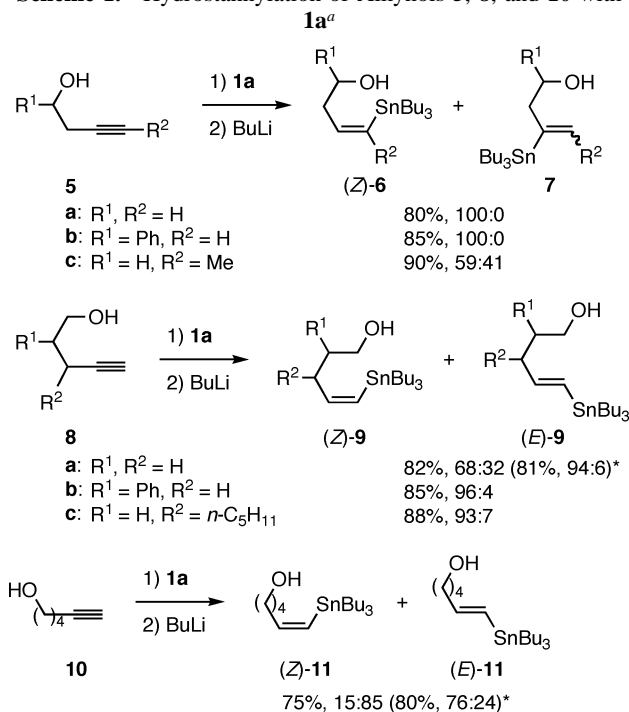
stereoisomers, **4a** and (*E*)-**3a**, were hardly formed. Since the hydrostannylation of **2a** was effectively inhibited by adding 5 mol % of galvinoxyl, a radical scavenger, it would involve a radical chain mechanism. Hydrostannane **1b** is known to have a similar reactivity causing spontaneous, homolytic hydrostannylation.⁹ The use of **1b** instead of **1a** resulted in lower regioselectivity under the same conditions (entry 2).¹⁰ The present method using **1a** is valuable also for highly selective, efficient hydrostannylation of other γ -unsubstituted propargyl alcohols **2b–d** (entries 3–5).

It has been reported that the radical-initiated reaction of γ -substituted propargyl alcohols (e.g., **2e**) with Bu₃SnH (**1c**) yields (*Z*)- β -stannylated products (e.g., (*Z*)-**4e**) exclusively.¹¹ In contrast, **1a** added spontaneously to **2e** to form (*Z*)- γ -stannylated product **3e** as the major product (entry 6). Although the regiochemistry was not well controlled, the

γ -stannylation showed complete *Z*-selectivity. Under the same conditions, the stannylation with **1b** took place mainly at the β -position as the stannylation with **1c** does, but with low *Z*-stereoselectivity (entry 7). Internal alkyne **2f** was stannylated with better γ -regioselectivity than **2e** (entry 8). In the reactions of **2e,f** with **1a**, heating the reaction mixture before butylation led to exclusive formation of (*Z*)-**3e,f**, although the total yields of stannylated products decreased. The seeming improvement in regioselectivity is probably due to thermal decomposition of the precursors leading to **4e,f** by deoxystannylation.^{11b} Actually, the formation of 1,2-tridecadiene was observed in the reaction of **2f** by the improved method. Propargyl alcohols **2g,h** underwent highly regio- and stereoselective hydrostannylation to give (*Z*)-**3g,h** in moderate yields (entries 9 and 10). The use of Et₃B as initiator effected higher yields of (*Z*)-**3g,h**.^{2b}

We next examined the hydrostannylation of other alkynols with **1a** (Scheme 1). Terminal alkynes **5a,b**, bearing a

Scheme 1. Hydrostannylation of Alkynols **5**, **8**, and **10** with **1a**^a



^a A small excess of an alkynol was used (alkynol:**1a** = 1:1.1) in the reactions marked with an asterisk (*).

hydroxy group at the homopropargylic position, were stannylated with complete regio- and stereoselectivity.¹² The reaction of internal alkyne **5c** formed both regioisomers with low regioselectivity, although the stannylation at the sp-carbon more remote from the hydroxy group gave only the *Z*-isomer of **6c**. Similar to the case of **5a,b**, the stannylation of terminal alkynes **8b,c** proceeded with high *Z*-selectivity.

(12) In general, homolytic hydrostannylation of terminal alkynes proceeds with high regioselectivity. See ref 2. As an exception, the reaction of γ -unsubstituted propargyl alcohols shows slightly lower regioselectivity.

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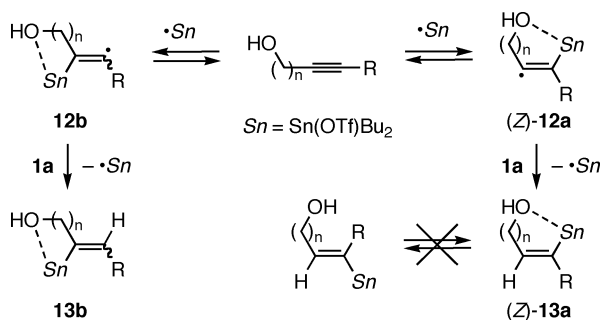
(10) The hydrostannylation of **2a** with Bu₃SnH was much slower even in the presence of Et₃B (rt, 6 h, 49% conversion with 10 mol % Et₃B) and showed low *Z*-selectivity ((*Z*)-**3a**:(*E*)-**3a**:**4a** = 66:26:8).

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Interestingly, the selectivity with **8a** was rather low under the standard conditions; however, a small excess of **8a** over **1a** achieved high *Z*-selectivity.¹³ Furthermore, 5-hexyn-1-ol (**10**) was used as a substrate. As shown in the reaction of **8a**, the molar ratio of **10** to **1a** strongly affected the stereoselectivity: a small excess of **1a** led to *E*-selectivity, whereas *Z*-selectivity was observed with a small excess of **10**.

The stereochemistry of homolytic hydrostannylation of alkynes is determined by H-abstraction of β -stannylated vinyl radical intermediates and the subsequent stannyl radical-induced isomerization of the vinylstannanes formed.⁶ The high *Z*-selectivity with **1a** can be rationalized by conformational fixation of the intermediate **12a** to the *Z*-form and suppression of the isomerization of the product (*Z*)-**13a**, both of which are directed by a strong interaction between Sn and O atoms (Scheme 2).^{14,15} The origin of the high

Scheme 2. Origin of Regio- and Stereocontrol



γ -selectivity with **2** would be that the reversible addition of $\bullet\text{Sn}(\text{OTf})\text{Bu}_2$ forms the radical intermediate with a five-membered chelate ring, (*Z*)-**12a** ($n = 1$), in preference to

(13) Under the standard conditions, the excess **1a** may interfere with the O–Sn coordination in (*Z*)-**12a** or (*Z*)-**13a** when the chelate ring is not tight.

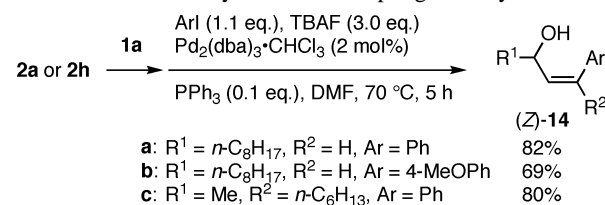
(14) The NMR analysis of the (trifluoromethanesulfoxy)vinylstannane prepared from **1a** and **2a** revealed the presence of a highly coordinated tin center. See Supporting Information.

(15) The reaction mechanism possibly involves pre-coordination of **1a** with a substrate and intramolecular radical addition leading to **12**. See Supporting Information for further discussion on the reaction mechanism.

that with a four-membered chelate ring, **12b** ($n = 1$), by thermodynamic control.

Vinylstannanes prepared by the present method can be directly used for the Pd-catalyzed cross-coupling reaction with aryl halides (Scheme 3).¹⁶ The hydrostannylation of **2**

Scheme 3. Pd-Catalyzed Cross-Coupling of Vinylstannanes



with **1a** followed by treatment with TBAF, iodoarenes, and catalytic amounts of $\text{Pd}_2(\text{dba})_3$ and PPh_3 (one-pot procedure) gave allyl alcohols (*Z*)-**14** (*Z*:*E* = >99:1) in good yields.

In conclusion, we have developed a novel hydrostannylation agent with a strong Lewis acidity, which is very valuable for highly selective synthesis of functionalized vinylstannanes from various alkynols. It is noteworthy that the use of **1a** enables γ -selective stannylation of γ -substituted propargyl alcohols in sharp contrast to β -selective stannylation with **1b** and **1c**. The present study has demonstrated that the high Lewis acidity of **1a** is quite effective in both regio- and stereocontrol of homolytic hydrostannylation of alkynols.

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Supporting Information Available: Experimental details, characterization data (^1H NMR, ^{13}C NMR, IR, elemental analysis), and discussions on the Lewis acidity of **1a** and the reaction mechanism. This material is available free of charge via the Internet at <http://pubs.acs.org>.

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