reduction in the 532-nm pigment band intensity (photolysis of 3-(diazoacetoxy)retinal in *n*-hexane under this condition led to total disappearance of its 245-nm band).

The extent of cross-linking, i.e., ca. 25%, was estimated by taking aliquots at suitable intervals during irradiation, denaturing the pigment by heating in SDS for 2-3 min, adding EtOH, and scintillation counting the pellet obtained by centrifugation.<sup>30</sup>

An advantage of the diazoacetoxy photoaffinity group is that its characteristic IR frequency around 2150 cm<sup>-1</sup> is in a region normally transparent in biopolymers. Thus although the diazo band is too weak to be observed in the FTIR of the pigment prior to cross-linking (Figure 1, arrow), the difference spectrum measured after irradiation at 254 nm clearly shows the 2110-cm<sup>-1</sup> band due to disappearance of the photoaffinity group (Figure 1, insert).<sup>31</sup> Studies are in progress to locate the site(s) of labeling in bR.<sup>32</sup>

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## Evidence for the Necessity of Double Bond (13-Ene) Isomerization in the Proton Pumping of **Bacteriorhodopsin**

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Bacteriorhodopsin (bR), the pigment of purple membrane (PM), converts solar energy into a proton gradient that is coupled to ATP synthesis.<sup>1</sup> bR consists of a protein (opsin) that binds one retinal molecule at Lys-216<sup>2</sup> through a protonated Schiff base linkage.<sup>3,4</sup> There are two modifications for bR,<sup>5</sup> the light- and dark-adapted forms,  $bR^{LA}$  (570 nm) and  $bR^{DA}$  (560 nm), the chromophores of which are trans-retinal and 1:1 mixture of transand 13-cis-retinals.<sup>6</sup> Although both forms undergo a photocycle, only that of bR<sup>LA</sup> is associated with H<sup>+</sup> pumping.

Proton translocation during the photocycle is thought to be associated with changes in the protonation state of the Schiff base

Scheme I



<sup>a</sup> (i) 4 in LDA/THF -78 °C, 15 min; (ii) 3, -78 °C, 20 min; (iii) 3 equiv of AcOH, -78 °C. <sup>b</sup> (i) MsCl/Et<sub>3</sub>N/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, 0 °C, 1 h; (ii) flash chromatography. <sup>c</sup> (i) MeLi/Et<sub>2</sub>O, -78 °C; (ii) satd aq NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, -30 °C → 25 °C (30 min); (iii) flash chromatography.

Scheme II



<sup>a</sup> (i) LDA/THF,  $-78 \degree C \rightarrow 25 \degree C$  (40 min); (ii) 2 equiv of HMPA, 0 °C; (iii) addition of 3, -78 °C (1 h)  $\rightarrow$  0 °C (40 min). (i) Ac<sub>2</sub>O/py, 25 °C, 2 h; (ii) *t*-BuOK/THF, 0 °C, 30 min. <sup>*c*</sup> (i) DIBAL/Et<sub>2</sub>O, -78 °C (1 h)  $\rightarrow -40$  °C; (ii) EtOAc, -40 °C, followed by aq (COOH)<sub>2</sub>, -40 °C (15 min)  $\rightarrow 25$  °C.

linkage as well as retinal geometry. However, the structures of photocycle intermediates, e.g.,  $M_{412}$  species, and their relation to the mechanism of proton pumping is not clear. Although resonance Raman and FTIR spectroscopy<sup>3b,8a,b,d</sup> have shown that the M<sub>412</sub> species is not protonated, results pertaining to the nature of 13-ene in  $M_{412}$  are conflicting, i.e., it is a 1:1 mixture of cis/trans,<sup>6a</sup> 13-trans,<sup>8b</sup> or mostly 13-cis.<sup>3b,7,8a,c</sup> Therefore information pertinent to the molecular events involved in the proton pumping was sought by the study of retinals 1 and 2 with fixed 13-trans and 13-cis structures. The bR analogues derived from these retinals both failed to pump protons, thus showing that the 13-ene isomerization appears to be necessary for proton translocation.

The trans-fixed aldehyde 1 was synthesized according to Scheme The  $C_{15}$ -aldehyde 3 was condensed in aprotic medium with I. thiovinyl ketone 4 (from 2-(hydroxymethylidene)cyclopentanone9 and 2-propanethiol,<sup>10</sup> mild conditions<sup>11</sup>) to give  $\beta$ -hydroxy ketone 5 as a 55:45 diastereomeric mixture (<sup>1</sup>H NMR).<sup>12</sup> Dehydration of 5 with  $MsCl/NEt_3^{13}$  provided thiovinyl ketone 6 as the major product: mp 130.5-132.0 °C (hexane); UV (hexane) 386 nm.14

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Figure 1. (a) Formation of bR-1 from a 1:1 OD ratio of apomembrane and retinal 1, in 10 nM Hepes buffer pH 7.0, dark, 22 °C. (b) Circular dichroism spectrum of bR-1 after 15 days of regeneration; dotted line shows the spectrum of the early intermediate.

The 13-Me group was introduced by treatment with MeLi; the product, without isolation, was treated with aqueous NH<sub>4</sub>Cl, which induced anionotropic rearrangement of the OH and elimination of mercaptan  $^{15}$  to give, after flash chromatography, 40% 1 and 25% 7 (1,4-adduct). The trans structure of 1 is based on <sup>1</sup>H NMR data,<sup>16</sup> comparison of  $\delta$  values with those of other double bond isomers,<sup>17</sup> and NOE results (see 1). For the synthesis of cis-locked 2 (Scheme II),  $C_{15}$ -aldehyde 3 was condensed with 1-cyano-2methylcyclopentene  $(8)^{18}$  to afford nitrile 9. Dehydration of 9 with  $Ac_2O/py^{19}$  gave 10 as the only double bond isomer,<sup>20</sup> which was reduced and hydrolyzed<sup>21</sup> to desired aldehyde 2: UV (hexane) 366 nm.<sup>22</sup>

The binding of *trans*-retinal 1 to the apoprotein<sup>23</sup> yielded within 3 min an "early intermediate" with fine structures at 420/443/470 nm (Figure 1) and CD maxima at 370 and 450 nm. The 443-nm UV peak is then slowly<sup>24</sup> replaced by a 576-nm  $bR^{DA}$  species, which peaks after 15 days (!). The similarity of the opsin shift  $(OS = 4140 \text{ cm}^{-1})$  to that of PM (4870 cm<sup>-1</sup>),<sup>26</sup> reextraction of

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Figure 3. Proton translocation by (a) purple membrane; (b) BSA-washed apomembrane; (c) bR-1 prepared from BSA-washed apomembrane. The pH of the medium (unbuffered 0.5 M KCl) containing the vesicles<sup>29</sup> (lipid/protein w/w, 60/1) was monitored with a glass electrode. Irradiation at >530 nm,  $30 \pm 0.1$  °C; arrows show start and stop of irradiation.

authentic 1 by the CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> procedure,<sup>27</sup> and the displacement of 1 by trans-retinal from the binding site indicate that the trans-fixed analogue 1 occupies the same binding site as natural *trans*-retinal.

The binding of retinal 2, SBH<sup>+</sup>  $\lambda_{max}$  (MeOH) 440 nm, with the fixed 13-cis bond proceeded faster than for 1 (Figure 2). As in 1, an intermediate was formed prior to the final 547-nm pigment, CD 580 nm (-5.4)/510 nm (+5.4). The OS value of 4480  $cm^{-1}$  for  $bR^{DA}_{2}$  is identical with that for  $bR^{DA}_{13-cis}$ .<sup>26</sup> A major difference between bR-1 and bR-2 is the photosensitivity of the latter; thus, irradiation with light of >530 nm, room temperature, caused 90% bleaching in 30 min.28

Vesicles prepared from bR-1 and soybean phospholipids<sup>29</sup> were measured for their proton-pumping ability according to published procedures.<sup>30</sup> The amount of H<sup>+</sup> translocation resulting from irradiation of bR-1 was negligible and is similar to that of BSAwashed apomembrane,<sup>31</sup> the blank (Figure 3); in both cases, the slight pH rise is attributed to a small amount of residual bR<sup>LA</sup>.

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Results from bR-2 were similar except that due to its photosensitivity, alkalinization of the medium was monitored against irradiation time; the extent of H<sup>+</sup> pumping remained constant at the level of blank and thus it is also due to residual bRLA.

The results described show that fixed 13-ene structures inhibit proton translocation. It has been shown that bR<sup>LA</sup> formed from 5,6-dihydro-,<sup>32</sup> phenyl-,<sup>33</sup> and 3-(diazoacetoxy)retinal<sup>34</sup> still retain the ability to pump protons although less efficiently. This suggests that the 13-ene plays a more important role than the ring site in initiating the translocation of protons across the membrane.

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## Structure and Synthesis of 3-Deoxy-D-glycero-pentos-2-ulose, an Unusual Sugar Produced Enzymatically from (ADP-ribosyl)histone H2B

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Poly(ADP-ribosylation) is a posttranslational covalent modification of histones and non-histone nuclear proteins including poly(ADP-ribose) synthetase itself in eukaryotic cells.<sup>1</sup> It is initiated by enzymatic reactions of NAD on reactive functional groups of proteins such as glutamate of histones<sup>2,3</sup> followed by elongation and branching. Evidence suggests the involvement of poly(ADP-ribosylation) in various biological functions.<sup>4-6</sup> Although poly(ADP-ribose) is known to have  $\alpha$ -ribosyl linkages at its C-2' elongation sites<sup>7</sup> and C-2" branching sites,<sup>8</sup> the nature of the histone/poly(ADP-ribose) linkage is not fully understood.<sup>2,3</sup>

We have purified and characterized ADP-ribosyl protein lyase, an enzyme that cleaves the ADP-ribose/histone linkage to give, instead of the expected ADP-ribose, an unidentified ADP-X.9,10 Scheme 1



<sup>b</sup> MsCl/Py; <sup>a</sup> t-BuMe<sub>2</sub>SiCl/Py; Me<sub>2</sub>NPy, room temperature, 4 h. Me<sub>2</sub>NPy, room temperature, 2 h. <sup>c</sup> Et<sub>3</sub>N/C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, reflux, 2 h, 80% over 3 steps. <sup>d</sup> DIBAL/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C, AI, 64%. <sup>e</sup> Bu<sub>4</sub>NF/THF, room temperature, 30 min, 38%.

Scheme II



<sup>a</sup> TsOH/MeOH, reflux, 4 h. <sup>b</sup> NalO<sub>4</sub>/MeOH-H<sub>2</sub>O, room temperature. <sup>c</sup> C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, reflux, 1 h. <sup>d</sup> Et<sub>3</sub>N/C<sub>6</sub>H<sub>6</sub>, reflux, 1 h, Ar, 67% from 7. <sup>e</sup> DIBAL/CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub>, -78 °C, Ar, 80%. <sup>f</sup> AcOH-H<sub>2</sub>O (2:1), room temperature, overnight, 76%.



Figure 1. EI mass spectrum of a reduced  $X-d_2$  Me<sub>4</sub>Si derivative (erythro derivative; threo derivative showed almost identical spectrum).

In contrast, nonenzymatic cleavage of (ADP-ribosyl)histones yielded ADP-ribose.<sup>2,3,11,12</sup> The sugar X obtained by successive degradation of ADP-X with phosphodiesterase and phosphatase retains the five carbons of the ribosyl nicotanamide portion of NAD as shown by <sup>14</sup>C-labeling studies<sup>10</sup> but differs from the common pentoses.<sup>10</sup> Sugar X (ca. 10  $\mu$ g using ca. 100 rat livers)<sup>10</sup> was reduced by NaBH<sub>4</sub><sup>13</sup> to the pentitol (reduced X) whose  $R_f$ value on paper chromatogram ( $R_f 0.51$ ; n-BuOH/AcOH/H<sub>2</sub>O  $52:13:35 v/v^{14})^{10}$  suggested it to be 3-deoxypentitol.

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