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DIASTEREOSELECTIVE ADDITION OF ALLYLTRIMETHYLSILANE TO N-GLYOXYLOYL-(2R)-BORNANE-10,2-SULTAM. A NEW SYNTHESIS OF (S)-1,2-PENTANEDIOL

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Abstract: Addition of allyltrimethylsilane (3) to N-glyoxyloyl-(2R)-bornane-(0,2- sultam (4) in the presence of Lewis acid afforded, in high diastereoselectivity, adduct (2'S)-6 which, after recrystallization, was hydrogenated to give optically pure (S)-1,2-pentanediol (1).

Recently, Mori and Takaishi¹ presented the highly stereocontrolled synthesis of (+)-monocerin (2), an antifungal metabolite,^{2,3} starting from (S)-1,2-pentanediol (1)⁴ as a useful chiral building block (Scheme 1).

This approach prompted us to propose a convenient route to optically active 1,2-diols, based on the diastereoselective addition of allyltrimethylsilane (3) to N-glyoxyloyl-(2R)-bornane-10,2-sultam (4). In the present communication, we would like to report our results on asymmetric induction in this type of allylic addition, and finally an efficient way to optically pure (S)-1,2-pentanediol (1) (Scheme 2).

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Scheme 2

Entry	Substrate	Lewis acid	Temp. [sC]	Time [h]	Yield [%]·	Diastereoisomer Ratio	Absolute Configuration
1	4	SnCl ₄	-78	18	45	69:31	S
2	4	TiCl ₄	-78	65	55	65:35	S
3	4	BF ₃ Et ₂ O	-20	1	65	80:20	S
4	4	MgBr ₂ 2Et ₂ O	25	21	70	80:20	S
5	4	ZnCl ₂	0	2	70	89:11	S
6	5	ZnCl ₂	0	3	85	86:14	S
7	4	ZnBr ₂	0	2	75	91:9	S
8	5	ZnBr ₂	0	6	95	92:8	S

 Table 1. Results of reactions of 3 with 4 or 5, carried out in the presence of one equivalent of Lewis acid in CH₂Cl₂.

N-Glyoxyloyl-(2*R*)-bornane-10,2-sultam (4) or its hemiacetal 5^5 were reacted with silane 3 in the presence of various Lewis acids. Additions were carried out under an argon atmosphere in methylene chloride as a solvent, and at various temperatures. After work-up, the crude reaction mixtures were analysed by ¹H NMR to establish the diastereoisomeric ratio of the adducts (2'S)-6 and (2'*R*)-6. The relative configuration of the major diastereoisomer (2'S)-6 was determined by X-ray analysis.⁶ The results of experiments are shown in Table 1. Several aspects of the data presented in Table 1 are noteworthy. The addition carried out in the presence of strongly chelating Lewis acids (Entries 1 and 2) afforded the mixture of diastereoisomers 6 in a moderate yield, but with low (30-38% de) asymmetric induction. The use of nonchelating Lewis acid

(Entries 3 and 4) improved diastereoselectivity substantially (60% de). The best results in terms of both the chemical yield (95%) and diastereoisomeric excess (84%) were obtained when the addition was performed in the presence of ZnBr₂ and when the hemiacetal 5 was used as a substrate (Entry 8). The major diastereoisomer (2'S)-6 was readily isolated in optically pure form by simple recrystallization. Its direct hydrogenation in the presence of the Adams catalyst led to the desired (S)-1,2-pentanediol (1) in very high yield (81%). Enantiomeric purity of 1 was justified by comparison of its optical rotation with the literature data^{4a} and using the ¹H NMR experiments, carried out in the presence of tris(3-((heptafluoropropyl)-hydroxymethylene)-*d*-camphorato)europium (III) in acetonitrile-d₃ and aceton-d₆, according to Whitesides *et al.*⁷

The presented efficient synthesis of enantiomerically pure compound 1 could be easily extended to other chiral 1,2-diols.

Experimental

General. Melting points were determined using a Kofler hot stage apparatus and are not corrected. Rotations were recorded using a JASCO DIP-360 polarimeter. IR spectra were obtained with a Perkin-Elmer 1640 FTIR spectrometer in KBr pellets. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra were recorded using a Varian Gemini (200 MHz or 50 MHz, respectively) spectrometer. Mass spectra were recorded on an ADM-604 Inectra instrument using the electron impact (EI) technique.

Synthesis of adducts (2'S)-6 and (2'R)-6 - a typical procedure:

To a stirred solution of 4 or 5 (1 mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (15 ml) at temperature indicated in Table 1, under argon, the Lewis acid (1 mmol) was added slowly.

After additional stirring (5 min), allyltrimethylsilane (3) (0.32 ml, 2 mmol) was added dropwise. The stirring was continued for the period of time indicated in Table 1. The reaction was quenched with sat. NH₄Cl and was extracted with Et₂O (3×30 ml). The organic layers were pooled, dried (MgSO₄) and concentrated *in vacuo*. Flash chromatography (hexane/ethyl acetate) afforded homoallyl alcohols **6**.

Analytical and spectral data for compound (2'S)-6: mp 138-139°C; $[\alpha]_{0}^{20}$ =-105 (c 2.2, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃), δ : 5.9-5.7 (m, 1H, C<u>H</u>=CH₂), 5.2-5.05 (m, 2H, C=C<u>H₂</u>), 4.83 (dd, J=11.8, 6.2 Hz, 1H, C<u>H</u>OH), 3.94 (dd, J=7.4, 5.0 Hz, 1H, C<u>H</u>N), 3.51 (¹/₂ABq, J=13.8 Hz, 1H, C<u>H</u>SO₂), 3.47 (¹/₂ABq, J=13.8 Hz, 1H, C<u>H₂SO₂</u>), 3.08 (d, J=7.7 Hz, 1H, O<u>H</u>), 2.8-1.2 (m, 9H, 4×C<u>H₂</u> and 1×C<u>H</u>), 1.14 (s, 3H, C<u>H₃</u>), 0.98 (s, 3H, C<u>H₃</u>); ¹³C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl₃), δ : 174.2, 132.0, 118.9, 70.3, 64.9, 52.9, 48.9, 47.8, 44.5, 39.8, 38.2, 32.7, 26.4, 20.6, 19.8; IR (KBr) : 3552, 3001, 2959, 1696,164¹, 1331, 1058, 774; EIMS m/z (%): 313 (M⁺, 1.3), 295 (1.8), 272 (33), 199 (9), 135 (100), 93 (47), 71 (13), 55 (6); Anal. calcd for C₁₅H₂₃NO₄S: C 57.5, H 7.4, N 4.0, S 10.2, found: C 57.3, H 7.5, N 4.4, S 10.2.

Analytical and spectral data for compound (2'*R*)-6: mp 69-70°C; $[\alpha]_D^{20}$ =-97.7 (c 1.08, CHCl₃); ¹H NMR (200 MHz, CDCl₃): δ : 6.0-5.7 (m, 1H, C<u>H</u>=CH₂), 5.3-5.1 (m, 2H, C=C<u>H₂</u>), 4.57 (dd, J=7.6, 4.7 Hz, 1H, C<u>H</u>OH), 3.90 (dd, J=7.7, 5.1 Hz, 1H, C<u>H</u>N), 3.9 (ABq, J=14.0 Hz, 2H, C<u>H₂SO₂</u>), 2.8-1.2 (m, 9H, 4×C<u>H₂</u> and 1×C<u>H</u>), 1.15 (s, 3H, C<u>H₃</u>), 0.97 (s, 3H, C<u>H₃</u>); ¹³C NMR (50 MHz, CDCl₃): δ : 171.8, 133.1, 118.5, 70.3, 65.3, 52.9, 49.3, 47.9, 44.5, 38.1, 37.0, 32.8, 26.5, 20.7,

19.9; IR (KBr): 3561, 3078, 2964, 1699, 1640, 1134, 1056, 764; EIMS m/z (%): 313 (M^+ , 3), 295 (6), 272 (31), 199 (8), 135 (100), 93 (48), 71 (15), 55 (8); HR-EIMS Calcd. for C₁₅H₂₃NO₄S (M^+): 313.13478, found: 313.1352, Calcd. for C₁₂H₁₈NO₄S (M^+ -C₃H₅): 272.09565, found: 272.0951.

Synthesis of (S)-1,2-pentanediol (1):

To a solution of (S)-6 (130 mg, 0.42 mmol) in dry ethyl acetate was added PtO_2 (ca 20 mg). The suspension was stirred under hydrogen a mosphere for 2 h at room temperature. After filtration of the catalyst through Celite, the solution was concentrated *in vacuo*. The resulting residue was purified by column chromatography on silica gel. Elution with hexane/ethyl acetate (7:3->4:6) gave the appropriate alcohol 1 (35 mg, 81%) as a colorless oil.

Analytical and spectral data for compound (S)-1: $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -15.5$ (c 0.81, EtOH), lit. { $[\alpha]_D^{20} = -16.1$ (c 3, EtOH)}^{4a}; ¹H NMR (500 MHz, CDCl₃), δ : 3.76 (m, 1H, C<u>H</u>OH), 3.66 (dd, J=11.1, 3.0 Hz, 2H, C<u>H</u>₂OH), 2.36 (bs, 2H, O<u>H</u>), 1.52-1.33 (m, 4H, 2×C<u>H</u>₂), 0.94 (t, 3H, C<u>H</u>₃), ¹³C NMR (125 MHz, CDCl₃), δ : 72.0, 66.8, 35.3, 18.7, 14.0; IR (film): 3379, 2970, 2932, 1720, 1134, 799; EIMS m/z (%): 73 (M⁺-CH₂OH, 54), 61 (18), 55 (100), 43 (32).

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