Regio- and Stereo-defined Synthesis of Organosilicon Compounds via Rearrangement of Silyl Group

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On treating with LDBB, 2-substituted 3-phenylthioalkyl silyl ethers were converted to the corresponding 3-silylated alkanols with high *anti* selectivity. Application to silyl ethers containing allylic sulfide moieties provided a useful methodology for the regio- and stereo-defined synthesis of allylsilanes.

Stereochemistry of organosilicon compounds, e.g. allylsilanes, has often played important roles to control the strereochemical outcome of several useful organic transformation, 1) but there have been few reports on stereo-defined synthesis of carbon-silicon bond. 2) Such drawback is mainly due to the synthetic procedure of organosilicon compounds; the most general ones involve silylation of the corresponding carbanionic species which are expected to undergo a rapid epimerization under usual reaction conditions. In the previous paper, we described remarkable feature of dilithiated species to allow stereoselective carbon-carbon bond formation and proposed a fixed conformation 3) as (1a) for such species (Eq. 1).

This feature as well as a facile migratory aptitude⁴⁾ of silyl group suggested selective conversion of siloxyalkyllithiums to silylated alkanols via pentavalent silicon species (1b) shown in Eq 1. Indeed, such transformation has been cleanly realized. Expecting general applicability, we generated lithiated species from the corresponding sulfides by using lithium di-t-butylbiphenylide (LDBB).⁵⁾ Thus, treatment of 2-substituted 3-phenyl-3-phenylthioalkyl silyl ethers 2 with LDBB at -78 °C led to the formation of the corresponding 3-silylated alcohols 3⁶⁾ with high *anti* selectivity (Eq. 2). The configuration was determined by using stereo-defined elimination of 2-silylalkanol obtained from 3b as shown in Scheme 1.

Interestingly, 1,5-migration could also be effected with high diastereoselectivity⁷) (Eq. 3).

2a: R = Me (*syn*:*anti* = 64:36) **2b**: R = Bu (*syn*:*anti* = 98:2) **3a**: R = Me, 94% (*anti* :*syn* = 98:2) **3b**: R = Bu, 95% (*anti* :*syn* = >99:<1)

Scheme 1.

The present procedure has also provided an efficient method for synthetically useful allylsilanes: Acyclic as well as cyclic allylsilanes were prepared in highly regio- and stereo-controlled manner under essentially same reaction conditions as shown in Eqs. 4-6.

The following characteristic features seem to be very useful for synthetic purposes: (1) both types of allylic sulfides, 5-phenylthio-3-enes (**4a**, **4b**, and **4f**) and 3-phenylthio-4-enes (**4c**, **4d**, and **4e**) gave the corresponding 3-silylated 4-alkenols **5**⁸) via 1,4-migration of silyl group with excellent regio- and stereoselectivities. (2) The *cis* substituted products **5c-f** were obtained exclusively in reactions of cyclic derivatives **4c-f**. (3) Use of optically active substrates allows us to prepare the corresponding optically active allylsilanes. Thus, **4b**-(2S)⁹)

SPh TMS

Ac
$$(n = 1, R = H)$$
Ad $(n = 2, R = H)$
Ae $(n = 2, R = Me)$

Sc $(n = 1, R = H)$
Sd $(n = 2, R = H)$
Se $(n = 2, R = H)$
Se $(n = 2, R = Me)$

TMS

TMS

OH

OH

(6)

Af

Sf 80%

(92% ee) gave **5b** (2R,3R) in 88% yield without any decrease of ee.

Stereochemical results were typically determined on **5a**, **5d**,and **5f**: Claisen-Ireland rearrangement ¹⁰⁾ of 3-silylallyl propionate followed by DIBAL reduction gave the authentic sample of **5a** as a mixture of *syn* and *anti* isomers (Eq. 7). The product **5d** was confirmed by ¹H NMR coupling constants of its hydrogenated one which supports the conformation having axial hydroxymethyl and equatorial TMS group (Eq. 8).

The structure of $5f^{11}$) was identified by NOE between H_a and TMS, H_a and Me, and H_b and Me (Eq. 9).

TMS

a,b,c,d,e)

$$(anti:syn = 2:1)$$

TMS

f,b,c,d,e)

$$(anti:syn = 1:4)$$

TMS

oH

$$(anti:syn = 1:4)$$

TMS

oH

$$(anti:syn = 1:4)$$

$$\mathbf{5f} \equiv \begin{array}{c} \mathsf{TMS} \\ \mathsf{H_a} \\ \mathsf{H_b} \\ \mathsf{OH} \end{array} \tag{9}$$

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- 7) Stereochemistry of 3c was determined by comparison with the authentic sample prepared from 3a.
- 8) Spectral and analytical data of **5b**: ¹H NMR (270 MHz, CDCl₃) d 0.11 (s, 9 H), 0.99 (d, J = 6.4 Hz, 3 H), 1.48 (d, J = 9.8 Hz, 1 H), 1.68 (s, 3 H), 1.8-2.1 (m, 1 H), 3.42 (dd, J = 10.2 Hz, 7.2 Hz, 1 H), 3.72 (dd, J = 10.2 Hz, 4.6 Hz, 1 H), 4.56 (s, 1 H), 4.73 (s, 1 H); Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₂₂OSi: C, 64.45; H, 11.90. Found: C, 64.68; H, 12.18.
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