Ring Opening/Fragmentation of Dihydropyrones for the Synthesis of Homopropargyl Alcohols



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The Crossover Reaction

The Eschenmoser-Tanabe Fragmentation



Enone Formation from Vinylogous Acid Ester



Tandem Addition/Fragmentation of Vinylogous Acyl Triflates



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<u>Tandem Nucleophilic Addition/C-C Bond</u> <u>Fragmentation Reactions of Vinylogous Acyl Triflates</u>



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Reaction Conditions: Vinylogous acyl triflate (0.55 mmol), RLi (0.50 mmol) in solvent (2 mL) R = Ph, THF; R = n-Bu, Toluene

- Other Aryl Grignard or Lithium reagent such as o_{-} , m_{-} , $p_{-}(MeO)C_6H_4$ -MgBr.
- Other Alkyl Lithium reagent such as *i*-PrLi, *t*-BuLi, MeLi.
- Yields suffer with reactive and hindered nucleophilic reagents.



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Synthesis of Acetylene tethered 1,3-Diketones



Stoichiometry: Triflate (1 equiv.); Prenucleophile (2.6 equiv.), LiHMDS (2.2 equiv.)



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Synthesis of Acetylene tethered Alcohols



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Synthesis of Acetylene tethered Amides



secondary amines resulted in decomposition of the triflate

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Synthesis of Homopropargyl Alcohols

Homopropargyl alcohols key building block for synthesis of Polyketides and macrolides



Marshall et al. Chem. Rev. 1996, 96, 31

Synthesis of Chiral Dihydropyrones

Hetero Diels-Alder Approach:



Feng et al. J. Org. Chem. 2006, 71, 4141

Author's Approach:



Imbroisi et al. Bioorg. Med. Chem. 2004, 12, 865

Decomposition of DHP Triflate Under Various Conditions



entry	R-M	solvent	yield
1 ^a	Ph-Li ^b	THF	48%
2	Ph-MgBr ^c Ph-MgBr ^c	THF toluene	54% 84%
4	p-MeO-C ₆ H ₄ -MgBr ^d	toluene	51%
5	n-Bu-MgCl ^e	toluene	70%
6 7	Me-MgBr Me-Li	toluene	2 95 % 42%
8	i-Pr-Li ^g	toluene	15%

 a -78 °C \rightarrow 60 °C. b 2.0 M in butyl ether. c 3.0 M in ether. d 0.5 M in THF. e 2.0 M in ether. f 1.6 M in ether. g 0.7 M in pentane.

- Toluene is better solvent than THF
- Grignard Nucleophiles outperformed organolithiums
- Methylmagnesium bromide is optimal choice

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Postulated Reaction Pathway



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Decomposition of DHP Triflates with MeMgBr



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Decomposition of Substituted DHP Triflates



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Summary

✓C-C bond cleaving fragmentation reaction induced by the addition of various nucleophiles to cyclic vinylogous acyl triflates produces acyclic acetylenic compounds.

- ✓ Nucleophilic addition of methylmagnesium bromide to 5,6-dihydro-2-pyrone (DHP) initiates a ring opening/fragmentation process to furnish homopropargyl alcohols.
- This stereospecific strategy provides chiral homopropargyl alcohols that may be difficult to access by other means.