Total Synthesis of Bryostatin 7 *via* C–C Bond-Forming Hydrogenation



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The Bryostatin Family

•The Bryostatin family was first isolated by Pettit and coworkers from the bryozoan Bugula neritina. (Pettit et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 1982, 104, 6846.)

•Recently, it was reported that the bryostatins are produced by an uncultured bacteria *E. sertula*. The proposed biosynthetic gene cluster and biosynthetic hypothesis are reported in the following reference: Sudek et al. J. Nat. Prod. 2007, 70, 67.



15 members with this core (varying at R_1 and R_2).

Bryostatin 7: $R_1 = Ac$, $R_2 = OAc$

Bryostatin 16: R₁ = Piv, X = H, Y = CO₂Me **Bryostatin 17**: $R_1 = Piv$, $X = CO_2Me$, Y = H

Biological Significance

The bryostatins are being applied to several biological problems including Alzheimer's disease and applications in chemotherapy.

Bryostatin 1 is well studied; 18 g of bryostatin 1 were isolated from 13,000 kg of source organism!^{1,2}

Bryostatin 1 exhibits high affinity binding to the regulatory C1 domains of protein kinase C (PKC). These domains regulate cellular processes including proliferation and apoptosis.^{1,3}

Efforts by Keck³ and Wender⁴ have led to the development of bryostatin analogs that maintain efficacy:



С₇H₁₅ О^{••} С₂Me

 $R = Me; PKC K_i = 3.4 nm$

 $R = H; PKC K_i = 0.25 nm$



 $R = Ph; PKC K_i = 0.70 nm$

 $R = C_7 H_{15}$; PKC K_i = 1.05 nm



¹Keck et al Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.**2010**, 49, 4580.
²Schaufelberger et al. J. Nat. Prod. **1991**, 54, 1265.
³Keck et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2008**, 130, 6660.
⁴Wender et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. **2002**, 124, 13648.

PKC K_i = 1.35 nm

Previous Approaches



Evans (1998): 42 steps LLS, 72 steps total

Masamune (1990): 41 steps LLS, 79 steps total

Yamamura (2000): 43 steps LLS, 88 steps total

"...the points of convergence of these syntheses necessitate a further 14-21 linear steps to elaborate each target following assembly of their respective pyran-containing backbones, thus limiting stepeconomical access to diverse analogs." (Wender¹)

Wender, Keck: Convergent Pyran Annulation Strategy (Wender synthesis shown):



Previous Approaches

Trost: Transition-metal mediated, atom-economical approach:



28 steps LLS, 42 steps total

Key Features: 1) Pd-catalyzed reaction of alkynes to form a macrocycle 2) Au-catalyzed dihydropyran formation

Trost, B. M.; Dong, G. *Nature* **2008**, *456*, 485.

Retrosynthetic Analysis: Application of Hydrogenative C-C Bond Formation



hydrogenative coupling

Reductive C-C Bond Formation

"Old" chemistry: hydroformylation (carbonylative hydrogenation):

$$R_1 \rightarrow + O \qquad MLn (cat.) \qquad H O \\ H_2 (1 atm) \qquad R_1 \rightarrow H O \\ H_2 (1 atm) \qquad H O \\ H_1 \rightarrow H O \\ H_2 (1 atm) \qquad H O \\ H_1 \rightarrow H O \\ H_2 \rightarrow H O \\ H \rightarrow H O \\ H$$

Krische group methodology: C-C coupling via hydrogenation or transfer hydrogenation:

$$R_{1} \xrightarrow{\longrightarrow} R_{2} + \underbrace{X}_{R_{3}} \xrightarrow{ML_{n} (cat.)}_{H_{2} (1 atm)} \xrightarrow{H XH}_{R_{1} \xrightarrow{XH}_{R_{2}} R_{3}}_{i-PrOH}$$

$$R_{1} \xrightarrow{\longrightarrow} R_{2} + \underbrace{XH}_{R_{3}} \xrightarrow{ML_{n} (cat.)}_{X = 0, N} \xrightarrow{H XH}_{R_{1} \xrightarrow{XH}_{R_{3}} R_{3}}_{X = 0, N}$$

Reviews: Patman, R. L.; Bower, J. F.; Kim, I. S.; Krische, M. J. *Aldrichimica Acta* **2008,** *41,* 95. Bower, J. F.; Krische, M. J. *Top. Organomet. Chem.* **2011,** *43,* 107.

Condensation of Aldehydes and Alkynes

Main concept: heterolytic activation of elemental hydrogen by cationic Rh catalysts:



Jang, H-Y.; Huddleston, R. R.; Krische, M. J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, *126*, 4664. See also Cho, C.-W.; Krische, M. J. *Org. Lett.* **2006**, *8*, 891.

Iridium-Catalyzed Transfer Hydrogenative Coupling

I. Allylation Reactions: polarity reversal of π -allyl iridium species:

O-Allylation (conventional substitution): C-Allylation (Transfer Hydrogenative Coupling): OH OH IrLn (cat.) Base (cat.) **_**OAc IrLn (cat.) Base (1 equiv) via Nucleophile via via 0 Electrophile Electrophile Nucleophile ΟН [lr(cod)Cl]₂ (2.5 mol%) OH RCHO 73% Yield, 94% ee (R)-CI,MeO-BIPHEP RCH₂OH 72% Yield, 91% ee (5 mol%) _OAc or OH For Alcohol Substrates 0 CI Cs_2CO_3 (20 mol%) (CH₂)₇Me PPh₂ MeO m-NO₂BzOH(10 mol%) PPh₂ 1 equiv. MeO THF, 100 °C 77% Yield, 97% ee RCHO For Aldehyde Substrates RCH₂OH 78% Yield, 95% ee С As Above (S)-CI,MeO-BIPHEP *i*-PrOH (200 mol%) Kim, I. S.; N, N-Y.; Krische, M. J. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2008, 130, 6340. Kim, I. S.; N, N-Y.; Krische, M. J. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2008, 130, 14891.

Proposed Mechanism for Iridium-Catalyzed Carbonyl Allylation

"Organic molecules, by definition, are composed of carbon and hydrogen. Hence, the ability to direct C-C coupling through the use of catalytic hydrogenation and transfer hydrogenation evokes numerous possibilities for the construction of diverse molecular architectures, circumventing use of preformed organometallic reagents." (Kim, I. S.; N, N-Y.; Krische, M. J. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2008**, *130*, 14891.)



Copied from: Bower, J. F.; Krische, M. J. Top. Organomet. Chem. 2011, 43, 107.

Utility of the Methodology



transfer hydrogenation reactions:

Han, S. B.; Hassan, A.; Kim, I. S.; Krische, M. J. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2010, 132, 15559.



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(+)-Roxaticin

OH

12

Me

HO

Synthesis of Fragment A



 $\begin{array}{c} \text{CN} & \overset{\text{1}\text{BUOH/H}_2\text{O}, 1:1, 0 \, ^\circ\text{C}} \\ (84\%, 86\% \, \text{ee}) & & & & \\ \hline 2. \ (84\%, 86\% \, \text{ee}) & & & \\ \hline 2. \ (MeO)_2\text{CMe}_2 \\ \text{PPTS, CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, 25 \, ^\circ\text{C} \, (92\%) \\ \hline 3. \ \text{DIBAL, Et}_2\text{O}, \\ -78 \, ^\circ\text{C} \text{ to } 0 \, ^\circ\text{C} \, (85\%) \end{array} \qquad \begin{array}{c} \text{O} & & & \\ \hline \hline & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline \hline & & & \\ \hline \hline & & & \\ \hline \hline \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline \hline & & & \\ \hline \hline \\ \hline & & & \\ \hline \hline \\$

Synthesis of Fragment A



Fragment B Synthesis:



Synthesis of Fragment B



Uniting the Fragments and End Game



End Game (Continued)



Summary

- The Krische group has published the shortest synthesis of a bryostatin to date.
- The point of convergence is earlier in the Krische synthesis than in the Wender synthesis
- The use of C-C bond forming hydrogenation in complex molecule synthesis showcases the utility of the methodology.