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PREFACE

The studies presented in this thesis have been carried out under the direction of Professor Tatsuya Shono at the Department of Synthetic Chemistry of Kyoto University during 1983-1988. The thesis is concerned with anodically selective functionalization of cyclic amine derivatives.

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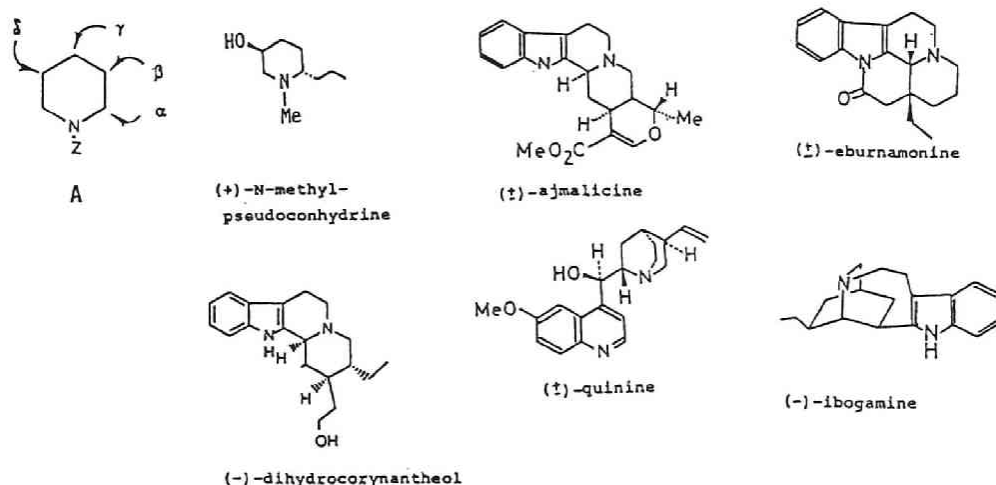
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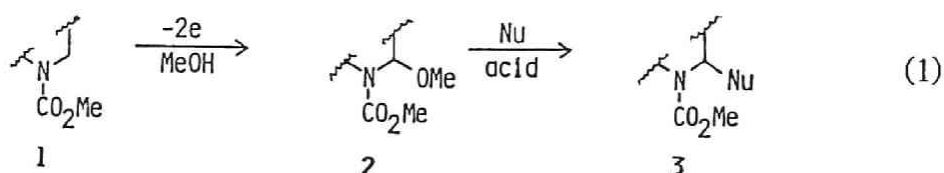
General Introduction

A lot of piperidine alkaloids have attracted much attention of synthetic organic chemists because of the biological activities.¹ Those alkaloids are characterized by the piperidine skeletons which have various substituents (for examples, see Scheme 1). Although many methods for the synthesis of piperidine derivatives have been exploited so far, they are not always convenient with respect to reaction steps, starting materials, reagents, and so on. Accordingly, exploiting highly effective methods for the preparation of such skeletons are worthwhile from a synthetic viewpoint.

Scheme 1.

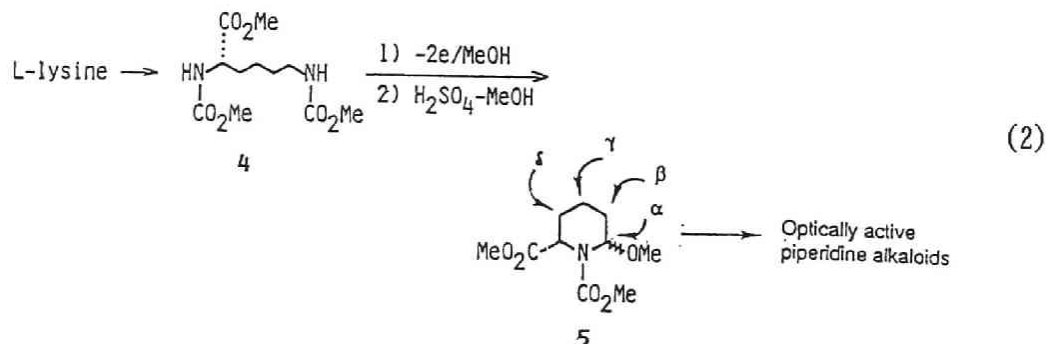


T. Shono et al. have already exploited a convenient method for introducing various nucleophiles (Nu) into the position α to the nitrogen atom of carbamates 1 using anodic oxidation followed by the reaction of oxidized products 2 with Nu as shown in eq 1.³



This method, however, has not been applicable to introduce substituents to the other positions than α .⁴

This thesis describes new methods for introducing various substituents into the β , γ , and/or δ -position of piperidine ring (A in Scheme 1) by using the anodic oxidation as key reactions. Furthermore, their application to the synthesis of some piperidine alkaloids as shown in Scheme 1 is described. This thesis also describes the transformations of L-pipecolinic acid derivative 5, which can be anodically prepared from L-lysine through 4, into optically active piperidine alkaloids utilizing these methods (eq 2).⁵ Some of exploited synthetic routes seem to be very interesting from a viewpoint of biosynthetic pathways.⁶



Chapter 1 is concerned with applications to asymmetric carbon-carbon bond forming reaction in the displacement of the methoxyl group of anodically prepared α -methoxylated cyclic amines with carbon nucleophiles.

Chapter 2-1 is concerned with anodic α , β -difunctionalization of cyclic amine derivatives and its application to synthesis of some useful intermediates for pyrrolidine and piperidine alkaloids.

Chapter 2-2 is concerned with the synthesis of (+)- and (-)-N-methyl-pseudoconhydrine from L-lysine using anodic oxidations.

Chapter 3 is concerned with introducing some active methylene or methyne groups to the β -position of cyclic amines and its application to synthesis of ($\pm$)-eburnamonine.

Chapter 4-1 is concerned with introducing a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl group to γ -position of piperidine ring, and its application to synthesis of ($\pm$)-meroquinene and ($\pm$)-epimeroquinene.

Chapter 4-2 is concerned with diastereoselective introducing 2-hydroxyethyl group to γ -position of anodically prepared pipecolinic acid derivative from L-lysine and an approach to synthesis of (-)-dihydrocorynantheol.

Chapter 5-1 is concerned with regioselective synthesis of 2- and 5-substituted 1,2-dihydropyridines.

Chapter 5-2 is concerned with optically pure 2-substituted 1,2-dihydropyridines and its application to preparation of optically active 2-aza-2,5,

6-tris(methoxycarbonyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane.

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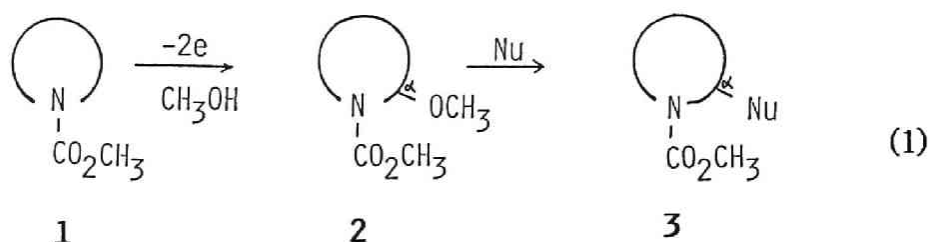
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Chapter 1

Asymmetric Carbon-Carbon Bond Forming Reaction at the Position α to the Nitrogen Atom of Cyclic Amine Derivatives

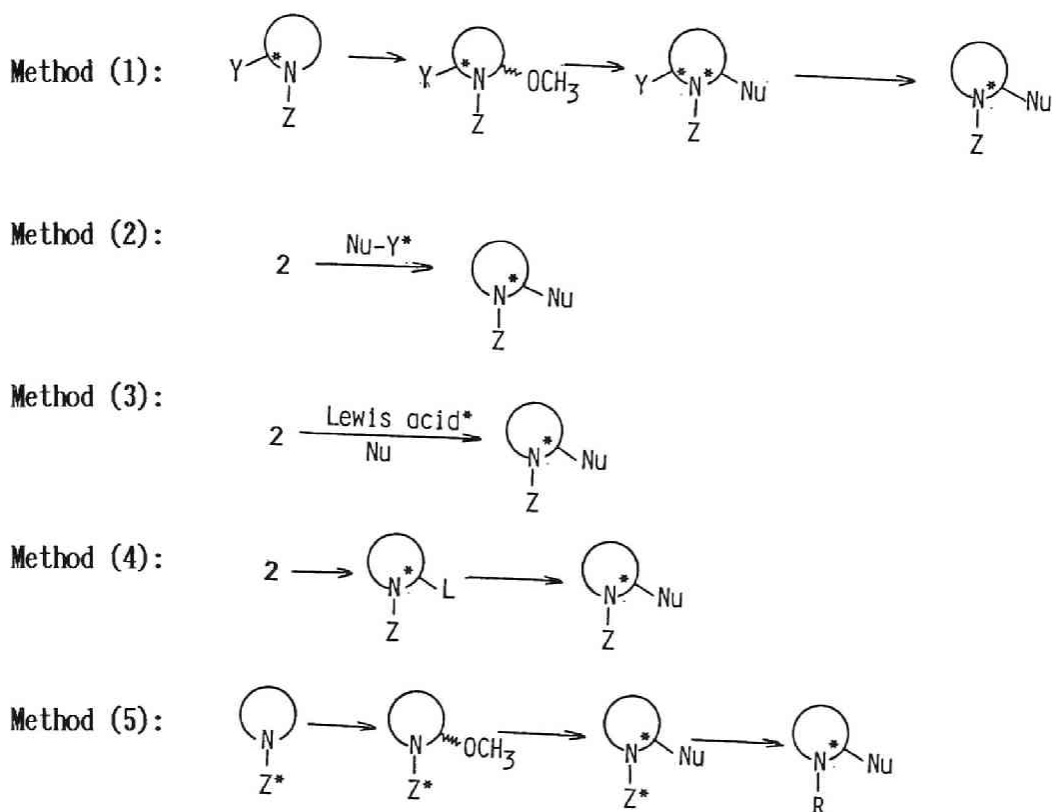
Abstract: Two methodologies were applied for asymmetric carbon-carbon bond forming reaction in the displacement of the methoxyl group of anodically prepared α -methoxylated cyclic amines with carbon nucleophile. One of them was a method using substrates which possess a chirality at the α -position, and the other was a method in which a chiral auxiliary was located on the protecting group of nitrogen atom of substrates. Although the first method was not effective, the second method was found to be promising for the asymmetric carbon-carbon bond forming reaction.

Many groups have developed various methodologies for the introduction of nucleophiles (Nu) to the position α to the nitrogen atom of cyclic amines and applied them to the synthesis of naturally occurring alkaloids which have physiologically important activities.¹ One of the methodologies involves anodic α -methoxylation of N-methoxycarbonylated cyclic amines 1 followed by Lewis acid catalyzed displacement of α -methoxyl group of the oxidation products 2 with Nu (eq.1).² Although this methodology is very convenient for the carbon-carbon bond formation at the α -position of 1 (Nu in eq.1; carbon nucleophile), an asymmetric carbon-carbon bond forming reaction has still remained to be explored. We report herein our approach for this purpose.



In order to achieve asymmetric carbon-carbon bond formation at the α -position, the following five methods (Scheme 1) may be effective depending on the location of chiral source; (1) A chiral source is located in the parent skeleton, though this method requires to remove the original chiral source on the course of reaction sequence. (2) A method utilizing nucleophiles which possess chiral auxiliaries. (3) A method in which Lewis acids are chiral. (4) Forth one is a special case of method (1) in which substrates 4 possessing a chirality at the α -position are used. This method, however, may be effective only in the case that the displacement of the leaving group (L of 4) with Nu proceeds with S_N2 -like. (5) Last one is a method in which a chiral auxiliary is located on the protecting group of the nitrogen atom of substrates 6.

Among these, method (1) has already been proved by us to be effective for the purpose as exemplified by the synthesis of (+)-N-methylconiine, (+)-17, with high enantioselectivity (96%ee).³ Recently, enantioselective synthesis of bicyclic alkaloids by method (2) has been reported.⁵ Methods (3) and (4) have not been examined so far, and few reports concerning on method (5) have been appeared during the course of this study.⁶ This paper describes our studies on methods (4) and (5).

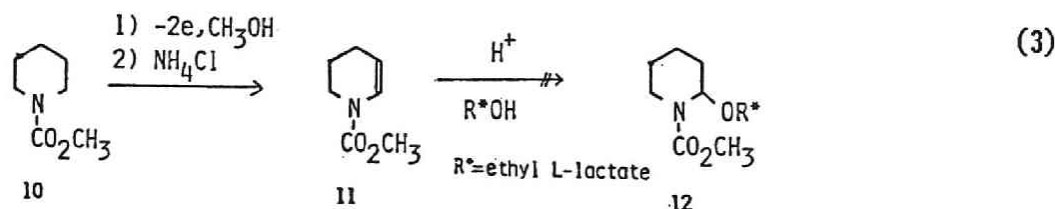
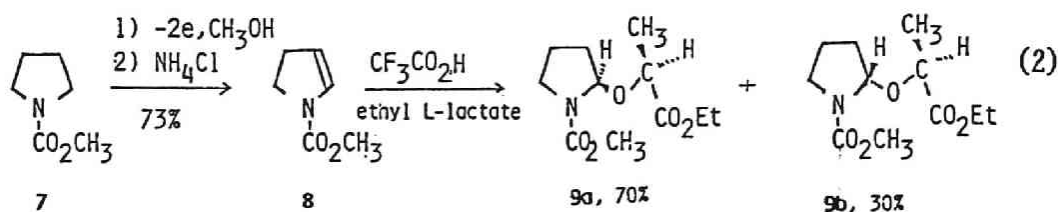


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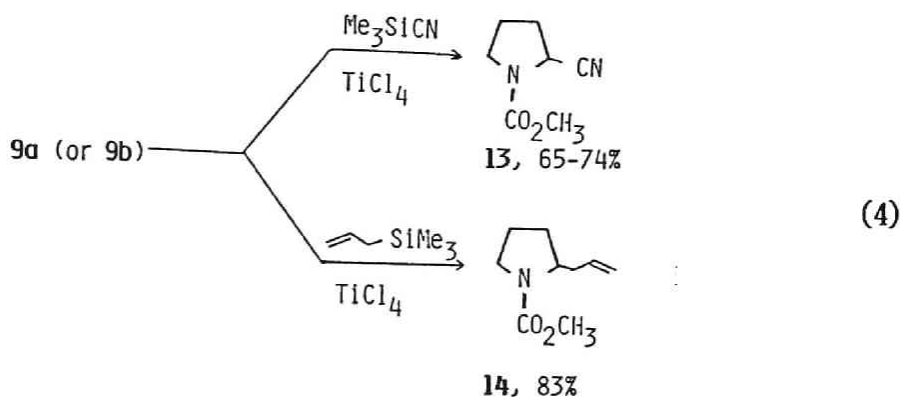
Results and Discussion

Synthesis of Compounds 4 possessing Chirality at the α -Carbon and Carbon-Carbon Bond Forming Reaction Using 4 (Method 4). Provided that nucleophilic attack of Nu on 4 proceeds with S_N2 -like, it is expected that the displacement of a leaving group of chiral 4 with Nu may produce optically active products 5. Thus, we tried to prepare optically active 4 from ene-carbamate 8 and 11 which were easily obtainable from N-methoxycarbonylated cyclic amines 7 and 10, respectively.⁸ Addition of ethyl L-lactate to 8 under acidic conditions gave optically active compounds 9a and 9b (eq.2).

Although each diastereoisomer was separable by column chromatography (the ratio of the diastereoisomers=70:30),⁹ the identification of the structure of isolated stereoisomer was not accomplished. In contrast to 8, addition of ethyl L-lactate on 10 did not proceed since addition products 12 were unstable under acidic conditions to easily go back to the starting ene-carbamate 11 (eq.3).¹⁰



Although treatment of isolated 9a or 9b with Lewis acids in the presence of trimethylsilyl cyanide or allyltrimethylsilane gave cyanated or allylated products 13 or 14, these products did not show any chirality (eq. . . 4).

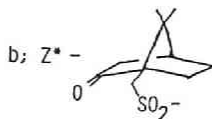
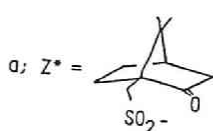
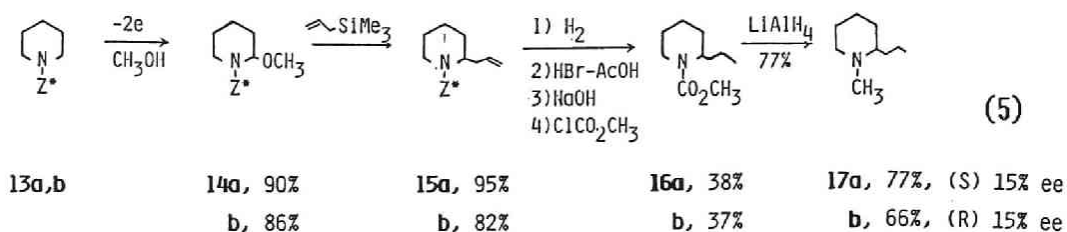


This result suggests a mechanism involving a carbon-carbon bond forming reaction which proceeds with S_N1 -like,³ and, thus, method (4) is not effective for asymmetric carbon-carbon bond forming reaction.

Carbon-Carbon Bond Forming Reaction of Compounds possessing Chiral Auxiliary on the N-Protecting Group (Method 5). The effectiveness of method (5) on the asymmetric carbon-carbon bond formation at the α -position of 6 was examined with α -methoxylated piperidine derivatives possessing chiral auxiliary on the nitrogen atom. First, D-camphorsulfonylamide 13a and L-isomer 13b were prepared by usual methods, and they were oxidized to α -methoxylated compounds 14a and 14b by anodic oxidation. Treatment of 14 with allyltrimethylsilane in the presence of $TiCl_4$ gave allylated product 15, which was hydrogenated, deprotected, and N-methoxycarbonylated, successively, to give 16 as shown in eq.5.

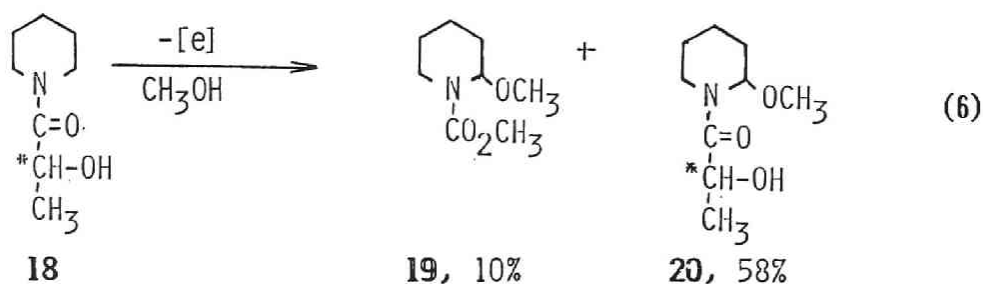
The obtained 17a by the reduction of 16a showed (+)-optical rotation, and the optical purity was found to be 15% ee by comparison with authentic sample.¹¹ Similarly, the product 17b obtained from 14b showed (-)-optical rotation with 15% ee. Although the optical yields were low, method (5) was found to be effective for asymmetric carbon-carbon bond forming reaction.

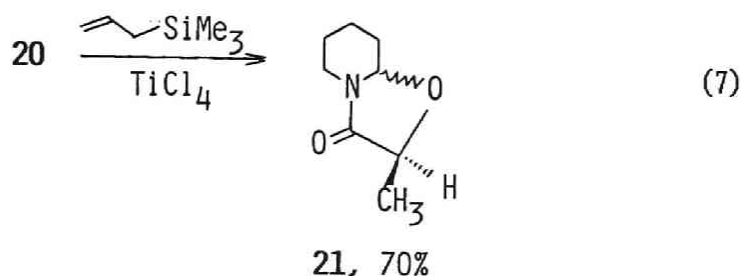
The lower optical yields seemed to be explainable in terms of long distance between the chiral center and reaction point. Thus, in the next place, we tried to prepare piperidine derivatives protected with L-lactic acid. Heating of piperidine with ethyl L-lactate gave N-protected piperidine derivative 18 in which the number of bonds between chiral center and reaction point was three but four in 14.



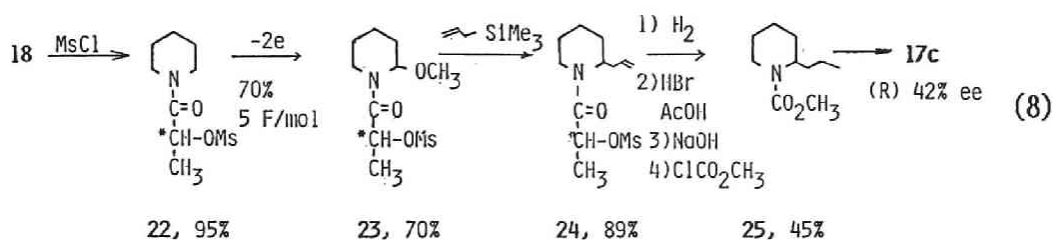
The anodic oxidation of 18 in methanol afforded a mixture of carbon-carbon bond cleaved product 19 and α -methoxylated product 20 in 10% and 58 % yields, respectively (eq.6),¹³ and treatment of 20 with allyltrimethylsilane in the presence of TiCl_4 did not give α -allylated product but 21 (eq.7).

In order to avoid these undesirable reactions, 18 was mesylated with mesyl chloride to give 22.





Anodic oxidation of 22 followed by allylation of anodically generated α -methoxylated product 23 afforded 24. Then, the deprotection and successive *N*-methoxycarbonylation gave 25 (eq.8). Since optical rotation of obtained 17c was (-) with 42% ee, the absolute stereochemistry of main enantiomer of 17c was found to be *R*.¹²



This diastereoselectivity seems to be caused by the steric hindrance between the methyl group of *N*-protecting group and attacking Nu as shown in Fig.1.

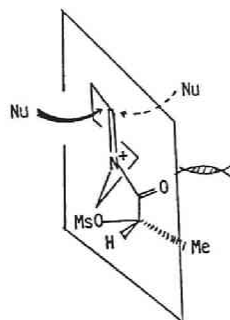


Fig. 1.

In conclusion, method (5) is effective for the synthesis of optically active piperidine derivatives but method (4) is not. It is supposed that by a suitable selection of N-protecting group may enable the optical purity higher.

Experimental Section

Materials. Compounds 8 and 11 were prepared according to the reported method.⁸

Hemiacetal 9a and 9b. Into a solution of enecarbamate 8 (2.655g, 20.9 mmol) and L-ethyl lactate (2.4mL, 20.9mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (5mL) was added CF₃CO₂H (40 μL) at room temperature. After the solution was stirred overnight, it was poured into aqueous Na₂CO₃ (15mL) and the organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x30mL). After the extract was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:10) to afford 9a and 9b in 70% and 30% yields, respectively.

9a (less polar isomer): $[\alpha]_{D^{20}} -54.0^{\circ}$; IR (neat) 2990, 2962, 1748, 1715, 1451, 1382, 1197, 1142, 1100cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.24 (d, $J=7$ Hz, 3H), 1.27 (t, $J=7$ Hz, 3H), 1.36-2.51(m, 4H), 3.03-3.61 (m, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.70-4.40 (m, 1H), 4.15 (q, $J=5$ Hz, 2H), 5.30 (br t, $J=5$ Hz, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₉NO₅: C, 53.87; H, 7.81; N, 5.71. Found: C, 53.96; H, 8.01, N, 5.62.

9b (polar isomer): $[\alpha]_{D^{20}} -89.0^{\circ}$ (c 0.4, EtOH); IR (neat) 2990, 2962, 1748, 1715, 1451, 1382, 1197, 1142, 1100cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.15-2.40

(m, 7H), 1.30 (d, $J=8\text{Hz}$, 3H), 3.10-3.51 (m, 2H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.80-4.45 (m, 1H), 4.07 (q, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 5.33 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5$: C, 53.87; H, 7.81; N, 5.71. Found: C, 53.93; H, 8.06, N, 6.08.

Cyanation and Allylation of 9a or 9b was carried out under the similar conditions to those of 11 or 19 described bellow. Obtained 13 (74% yield)¹⁴ and 14 (83% yield)¹⁵ were racemic.

Sulfonamides 13a,b. Into a dispersion of piperidine (20mL, 231mmol) and K_2CO_3 (27g, 134mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (100mL) was added D-comphorsulfonylchloride (16.8g, 67mmol). After it was stirred overnight, the solid was removed by filtration. After filtrated solution was washed with dil. HCl, the organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and successively the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was recrystalyzed from ether to afford 13a (96%yield). By the similar procedure starting from L-comphorsulfonylchloride was yielded 13b (93%).

13a: mp. 44-45°C (from ether); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} +30.3^\circ$ (c 1.5, EtOH); IR (KBr) 2930, 1738, 1336, 1160, 1142, 1049, 936 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.87 (s, 3H), 1.13 (s, 3H), 1.26-2.66 (m, 13H), 2.72 (d, $J=16\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.17-3.37 (m, 2H), 3.33 (d, $J=16\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$: C, 60.17; H, 8.42; N, 4.68; S, 10.71. Found: C, 60.02; H, 8.61; N, 4.77; S, 10.65.

13b: mp 42-43°C (from ether); $[\alpha]_{\text{D}}^{20} -31.2^\circ$ (c 1.1, EtOH); Anal. Found: C, 60.43; H, 8.71; N, 4.69; S, 10.66.

Anodic Oxidation of 13a,b. α -Methoxylation of 13a,b was achieved under conditions similar to the anodic oxidation of 10. Usual working up gave 14a (90% yield, at 5F/mol) and 14b (86% yield, at 6F/mol).

14a: IR (neat) 2950, 1742, 1349, 1158, 1056, 937 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.88 (br s, 1H), 1.14 (s, 3H), 1.28–3.92 (m, 2H), 3.33 and 3.37 (2s, 1.27H and 1.73H), 5.03 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$: C, 58.33; H, 8.26; N, 4.25; S, 9.73. Found: C, 58.74; H, 8.00; N, 4.19; S, 9.66.

14b: IR (neat) 2950, 1742, 1349, 1158, 1056, 937 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.88 (br s, 1H), 1.14 (s, 3H), 1.28–3.92 (m, 2H), 3.33 and 3.37 (2s, 1.73H and 1.27H), 5.03 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{27}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$: C, 58.33; H, 8.26; ; ; N, 4.25; S, 9.73 Found: C, 58.32; H, 8.31; N, 4.20; S, 9.58.

Allylation of 14a,b was achieved under conditions similar to the allylation of 22 except for temperature (at -40°C).

15a: mp. $92\text{--}93.5^\circ\text{C}$ (from ether); IR (KBr) 2945, 1743, 1644, 1336, 1166, 1147, 1052, 1003, 938 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.89 (s, 3H), 1.15 (s, 3H), 1.37–1.43 (m, 1H), 1.52–1.71 (m, 7H), 1.90–1.95 (m, 1H), 2.00–2.09 (m, 2H), 2.34–2.59 (m, 4H), 2.80 (d, $J=15\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.05 (br t, $J=13\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.40 (d, $J=15\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.72 (br d, $J=14\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.08–4.10 (m, 1H), 5.07–5.14 (m, 2H), 5.74–5.84 (m, 1H); Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$: C, 63.68; H, 8.61; N, 4.13; S, 9.44. Found: C, 63.65; H, 8.67; N, 3.94; S, 9.44.

15b: IR (KBr) 2945, 1743, 1644, 1336, 1166, 1147, 1052, 1003, 938 cm^{-1} ; ; ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.89 (s, 3H), 1.15 (s, 3H), 1.37–1.43 (m, 1H), 1.52–1.71 (m, 7H), 1.90–1.95 (m, 1H), 2.00–2.09 (m, 2H), 2.34–2.59 (m, 4H), 2.80 (d, $J=15\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.05 (br t, $J=13\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.40 (d, $J=15\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.72 (br d, $J=14\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.08–4.10 (m, 1H), 5.07–5.14 (m, 2H), 5.74–5.84 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{18}\text{H}_{29}\text{NO}_3\text{S}$: C, 63.68; H, 8.61; N, 4.13; S, 9.44. Found: C, 63.80; H, 8.83; N, 3.94; S, 9.26.

Preparation of 16 from 19a,b was carried out according to general procedure described above.

Amide 18. A mixture of L-ethyl lactate (20mL, 176mmol) and piperidine (30mL, 303mmol) was refluxed for 6h. After excess of piperidine was removed, the residue was distilled to afford 18 (24.3g, 88% yield): bp 104-106 °C (8mm); IR (neat) 3425, 2950, 2870, 1648, 1455, 1115cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.30 (d, $J=6$ Hz, 3H), 1.39-1.83 (m, 6H), 3.23-3.73 (m, 4H), 4.45 (q, $J=6$ Hz, 1H), 4.64 (brs, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₅NO₂: C, 61.12; H, 9.62; N, 8.91. Found : C, 61.37; H, 9.61; N, 8.70.

Anodic Oxidation of 18. Anodic oxidation of 18 was carried out by the procedure similar to the anodic oxidation of 19 to afford 19¹⁶ and 20 in 10% and 58% yield, respectively at 5F/mol.

20: IR (neat) 3430, 2952, 1648, 1450, 1138, 1095, 1040, 1020, 962cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.27 (d, $J=6$ Hz, 3H), 1.19-1.90 (m, 6H), 2.60-4.43 (m, 3H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 4.35 (br q, $J=6$ Hz, 1H), 5.67 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 187 (M⁺), 172, 154, 142(base); exact mass calcd m/e 187.1208, found 187.1191.

Treatment of 20 with Allyltrimethylsilane: This reaction was carried out under conditions similar to the allylation of 11. Usual working up gave 21 in 70% yield: IR (neat) 2940, 2855, 1711, 1453, 1118, 1100, 984cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.28 and 1.31 (2d, $J=6$ Hz, 3H), 1.33-2.25 (m, 6H), 2.39-2.98(m, 1H), 3.74-4.33 (m, 2H), 4.70-5.03 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 155 (M⁺), 154 (base), 127; exact mass calcd m/e 155.0946, found 155.0940.

Methanesulfonate 22. Into a solution of 18 (5g, 31.8mmol) and tri-

ethylamine (8mL, 50mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (40mL) was added dropwise methanesulfonylchloride (4mL, 44mmol) at 0°C. After the reaction mixture was stirred for 30 min, it was poured into water (50mL). The organic portion was extracted with dichloromethane (3x30mL). After the extract was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:1) to afford colorless solid 21 (5.85g, 88% yield): mp 57-58°C ; [α]_D²⁰ -32.4 ° (c 1.0, EtOH); IR (KBr) 2945, 2855, 1652, 1355, 1190cm⁻¹; NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.57 (d, J=8Hz, 3H), 1.53-1.80 (m, 6H), 3.13 (s, 3H), 3.20-3.90 (m, 4H), 5.46(q, J=8Hz, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₉H₁₇NO₄S: C, 45.94; H, 7.26; N, 5.95; S, 13.63. Found: C, 46.02; H, 7.35; N, 5.86; S, 13.37.

Anodic Oxidation of 21. Into an undivided cell equipped with carbon rod anode and cathode (8mmϕ) was added a solution of 21 (2.35g, 10mmol) and Et₄NOTs (0.6g, 2mmol) in methanol (30mL), and 5F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 0.5A (2.7h, terminal voltage; ca. 7V) through the solution which was cooled with ice-water. The solution was poured into water and the organic portion was extracted with C₂HCl₂ (4x 40mL). After the extract was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:2) to afford 22 in 70% yield: IR (neat) 2950, 1658, 1360, 1180cm⁻¹; NMR (CDCl₃) δ 1.10-2.22(m, 6H), 1.58 and 1.59 (2d, J=8Hz and 8Hz, 3H), 2.65-3.90 (m, 3H), 3.14 and 3.16 (2s, 3H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 5.49 (q, J=8Hz, 1H), 5.70-5.93 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 234 (M⁺-OMe), 233 (M⁺-MeOH). Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₉NO₅S: C, 45.27; H, 7.22; N, 5.28; S, 12.08. Found: C, 46.08; H, 7.14; N, 5.11; S, 11.52.

Allylation of 22. Into a solution of TiCl₄ (1mL, 4.4mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (5mL) was added dropwise a solution of 22 (0.779mg, 2.94mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂

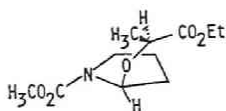
(5mL) at -70°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After the solution was stirred at the temperature for 5min, a solution of allyltrimethylsilane (0.524g, 4.6mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (5mL) was added dropwise. After the resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 1h at -70°C , water (15mL) was poured into the reaction mixture and stirred for 10min. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x30mL). After the combined organic layers were dried over MgSO_4 , the solvent removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) to afford 23 in 89% yield: IR (neat) 2945, 1652, 1360, 1180cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.47 (d, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.38-1.81 (m, 6H), 2.17-2.55 (m, 2H), 2.71-5.91 (m, 7H), 3.01 and 3.07 (2s, 2.13H and 0.87H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4\text{S}$: C, 52.34; H, 7.69; N, 5.09; S, 11.64. Found: C, 52.48; H, 7.73; N, 4.92; S, 11.34.

Preparation of 17, General Procedure. After hydrogenation of 12 (1.052 g, 3.8mmol) in methanol containing catalytic amount of PtO_2 (1atm) overnight and followed by hydrolysis was carried out in 25% HBr-AcOH (10mL) at 80°C for 20h, the resulting mixture was poured into 50% NaOH containing ClCO_2Me (10mL, 12.9mmol). After it was stirred for 1h, the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (4x25mL). The extract was dried over MgSO_4 . After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) and further distilled by kugel rohr ($150^{\circ}\text{C}/1\text{mm}$) to afford 13¹³ (0.356g, 51% yield) in 42% ee.⁸

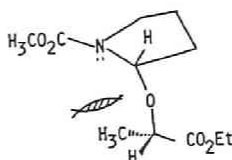
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Chapter 2-1

β -Acetoxylation and β -Halogenation of N-Methoxycarbonyl Cyclic Amines

Abstract: Anodic oxidation of N-methoxycarbonyl-pyrrolidines and -piperidines in AcOH-AcOK, aqueous $\text{CH}_3\text{CN-NH}_4\text{Cl}$, $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2\text{-Et}_4\text{NOTs}$, MeOH- NH_4Cl system gave α , β -disubstituted compounds. The α -substituents were easily removed by NaBH_4 under acidic conditions to give β -substituted compounds. This method was applied to the synthesis of racemic Conium alkaloids such as pseudoconhydrine and N-methylpseudoconhydrine.

Functionalization of a less reactive methylene group is one of the most interesting current topics, while generally effective methods have not always been found as yet. One of the methods hitherto exploited may be the remote oxidation, in which a methylene group at a remote position from an activating group can be oxidized with some efficient selectivity.¹

In this chapter is described a convenient method for introducing an acetoxy group or a halogen atom to the β -methylene group of N-methoxycarbonyl cyclic amines A.

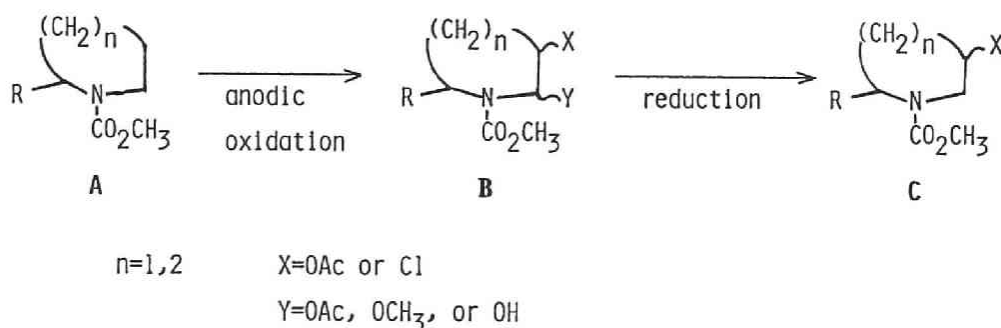
Shono et al., have already exploited the anodic oxidation for the α -methoxylation² or α -hydroxylation³ⁱ of a variety of carbamates. In continuing this study, we have found that the anodic oxidation of A under some selected conditions gave α , β -disubstituted products B in satisfactory yields instead of α -monosubstituted ones. Since the α -substituent of B is easily removable by reduction to give β -substituted compounds C, the over-

all transformation from A to final products C corresponds to a β -functionalization of A (Scheme 1).

This chapter describes these results together with brief discussion on the reaction mechanism of the α , β -disubstitution.

In addition, this paper also reports some utilization of B and C in organic synthesis as exemplified by the stereoselective synthesis of racemic Conium alkaloids such as pseudoconhydrine and N-methylpseudoconhydrine.⁴

Scheme 1



Results and Discussion

Anodic α , β -Diacetoxylation of N-Methoxycarbonylpiperidines.

Although the anodic oxidation of N-methoxycarbonylpiperidines 1a-d in methanol using Et_4NOTs as a supporting electrolyte gives α -methoxylated products,² the anodic oxidation of 1a-d in acetic acid containing AcOK as a supporting electrolyte gave α , β -diacetoxylation products 2a-d (eq 1). Since the compounds 2 were somewhat unstable under the reaction conditions and at the step of workup, careful workup of the electrolyzed solution with

cold aqueous NaHCO_3 (method a) was necessary to get 2 as the main products, while the workup with water (method b) gave only α -hydroxy- β -acetoxy compounds 3. The yields of 2 and 3 are summarized in Table 1.

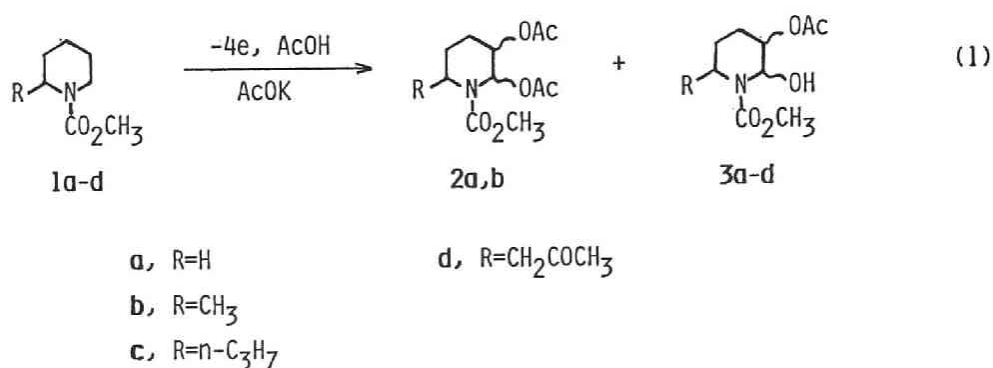


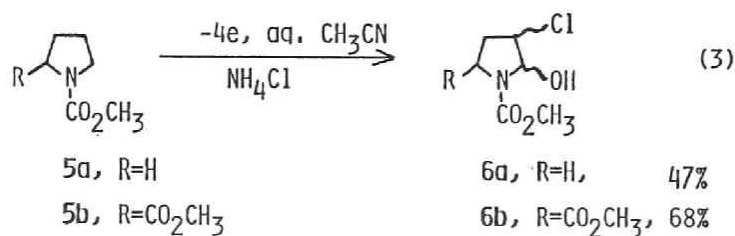
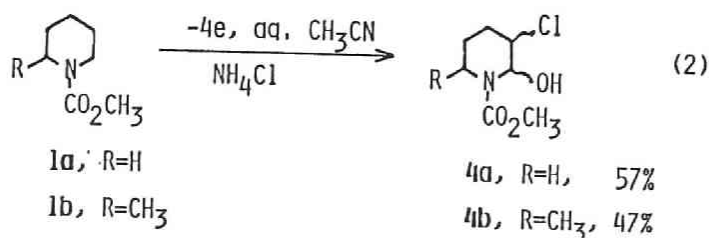
Table 1. Anodic Oxidation of N-Methoxycarbonylpiperidines 1a-d

Run	Compound	Method ^a	Isolated	
			Yield(%)	
			<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>
1	<u>1a</u>	a		<u>3a</u> (88)
2	<u>1a</u>	b	<u>2a</u> (61)	<u>3a</u> (20)
3	<u>1b</u>	a		<u>3b</u> (92)
4	<u>1b</u>	b	<u>2b</u> (34)	<u>3b</u> (45)
5	<u>1c</u>	a		<u>3c</u> (93)
6	<u>1d</u>	a		<u>3d</u> (53)

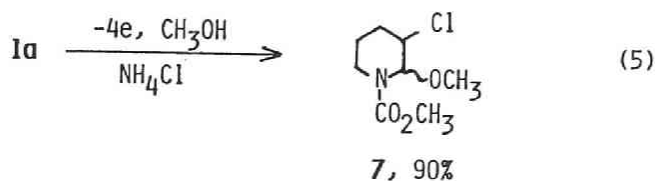
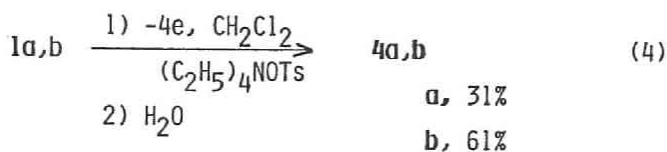
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Anodic α -Hydroxy- β -chlorination of N-Methoxycarbonyl-piperidines and -pyrrolidines. Anodic oxidation of N-methoxycarbonyl-piperidines 1a,b and -pyrrolidines 5a,b in aqueous acetonitrile containing NH_4Cl gave α -hydroxy- β -chlorinated products 4a,b and 6a,b, respectively, in satisfactory yields

(eqs 2 and 3).⁵



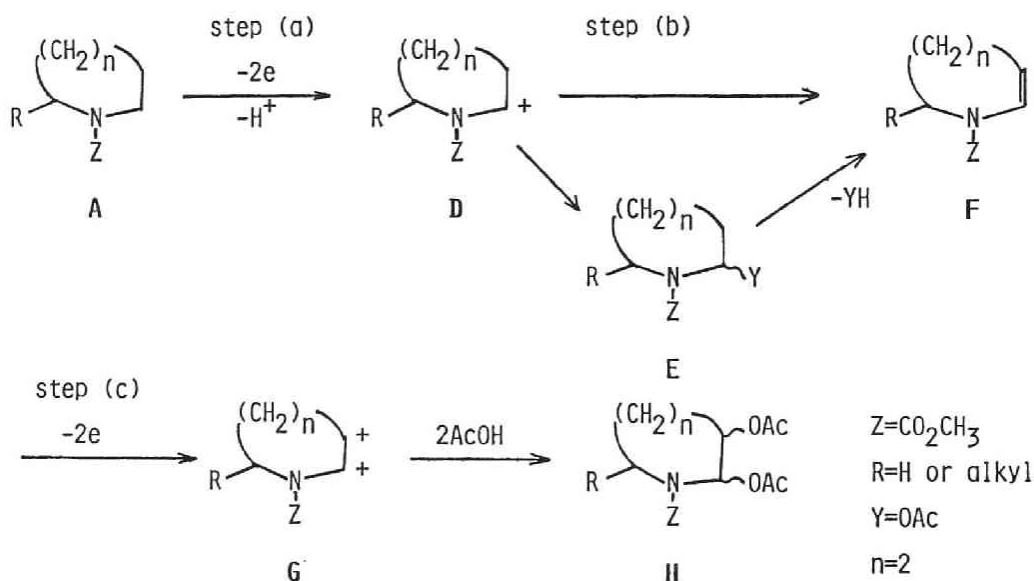
This type of β -chlorination was also achieved by anodic oxidation in dichloromethane containing Et₄NOTs (eq 4) or in methanol containing NH₄Cl (eq 5).



On the other hand, some devices were required to achieve β -bromination or -iodination of A, since the use of NH_4Br or NH_4I as a supporting electrolyte resulted in the recovery of A.

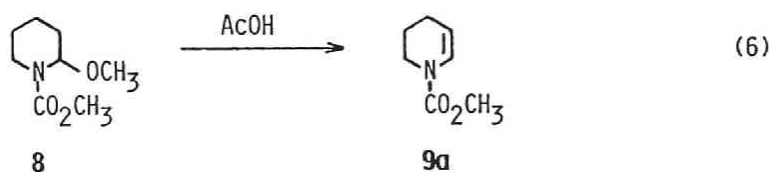
Reaction Mechanism of Anodic α , β -Diacetoxylation of N-Methoxycarbonylpiperidines. The acetoxylation of less reactive β -position of A may proceed through the following three steps (a-c), that is, (a) the formation of α -cation intermediate D by the anodic oxidation of A, (b) the conversion of D directly, or passing through α -acetoxyated compound E ($\text{Y}=\text{OAc}$) to α , β -unsaturated compound F, and (c) the subsequent anodic oxidation of F to diacetoxyated product H through the formation of dicationic intermediate G, as shown in Scheme 2.

Scheme 2

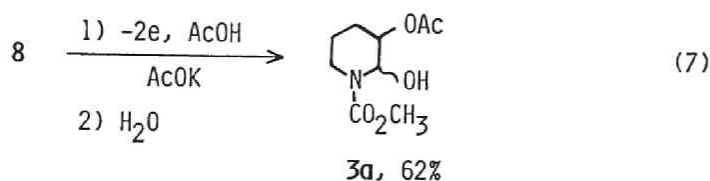


The α -acetoxyated intermediate E was, however, neither isolated, nor observed the existence throughout the anodic oxidation. Accordingly, the direct formation of F from D without the intervention of E is most likely.

Provided that the first intermediate E was generated, the acidic reaction conditions seemed to make E unstable. In fact, α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine 8 was easily converted by treatment with acetic acid to α, β -unsaturated N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine 9a (eq 6).



Also, 8 was converted to α, β -disubstituted compound 3a by the anodic oxidation in acetic acid (eq 7).



Although F was also not observed, its intermediary formation is reasonable since the anodic oxidation of independently prepared α, β -unsaturated compounds 9a-e^{3e, f} in acetic acid also gave 2a, 10b-e and/or 3a (eq 8).⁶ Yields of these products are shown in Table 2.⁵

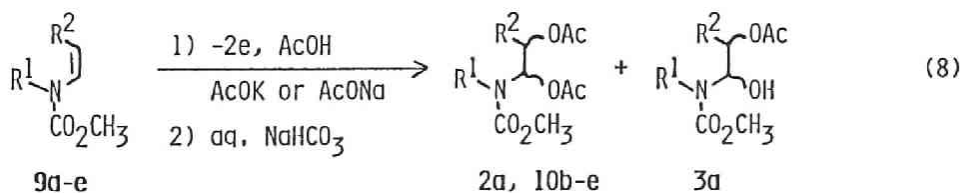
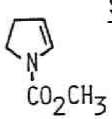
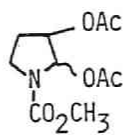
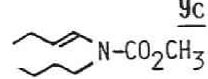
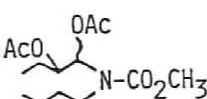
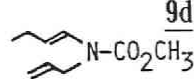
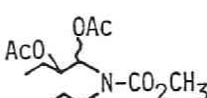
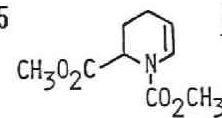
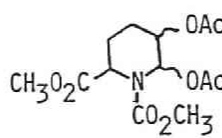


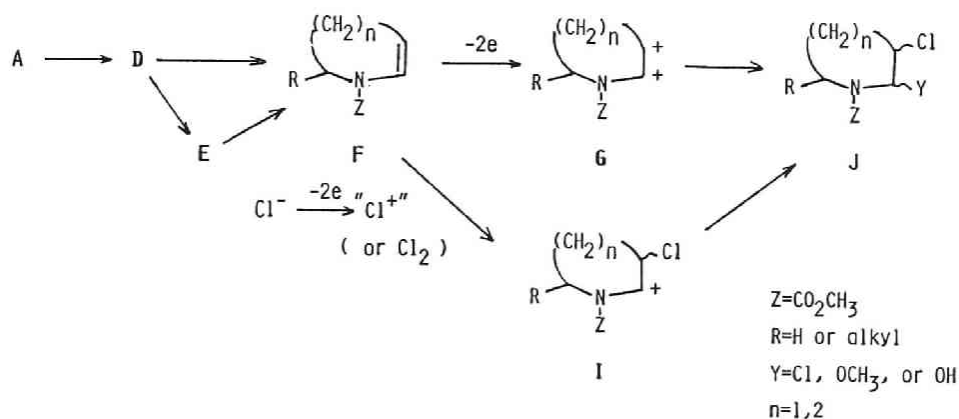
Table 2. Anodic Oxidation of α , β -Unsaturated Compounds 9a-e^a

Run	Compound	Supporting Electrolyte	Isolated Yield(%)
1	<u>9a</u>	AcOK	<u>2a</u> (65) <u>3a</u> (22)
2	 <u>9b</u>	AcONa	 <u>10b</u> (55)
3	 <u>9c</u>	AcONa	 <u>10c</u> (76)
4	 <u>9d</u>	AcONa	 <u>10d</u> (83)
5	 <u>9e</u>	AcOK	 <u>10e</u> (75)

^a The workup was carried out by method b. See text.

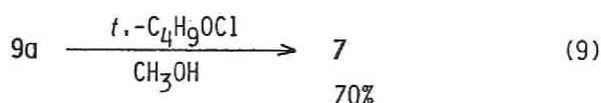
Reaction Mechanism of Anodic β -Chlorination of N-Methoxycarbonyl-piperidines and -pyrrolidines. The anodic α -methoxyl-, or α -hydroxyl- β -chlorination may also proceed in a similar mechanism to the anodic α , β -diacetoxylation except step c (Scheme 3). Thus, the intermediate F may be generated in situ directly from D, or passing through E (Y=OMe, OH, or Cl).⁷

Scheme 3

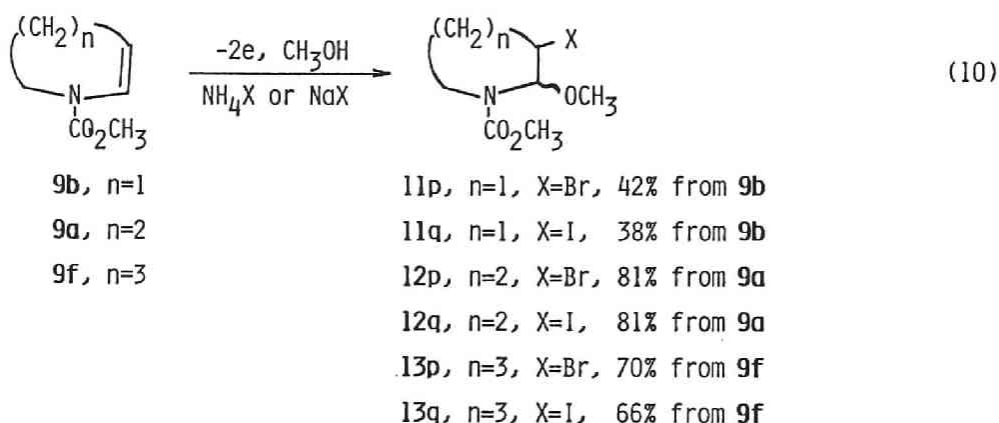


The intervention of F was strongly suggested by the facts that the anodic oxidation of independently prepared 9a in a reaction system of aqueous $\text{CH}_3\text{CN}-\text{NH}_4\text{Cl}$ and $\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2-\text{Et}_4\text{NOTs}$ gave the β -chlorinated product 4a in 79% and 34% yield, respectively, and that 7 was prepared by anodic oxidation of 9a in methanol containing NH_4Cl with 82% yield.

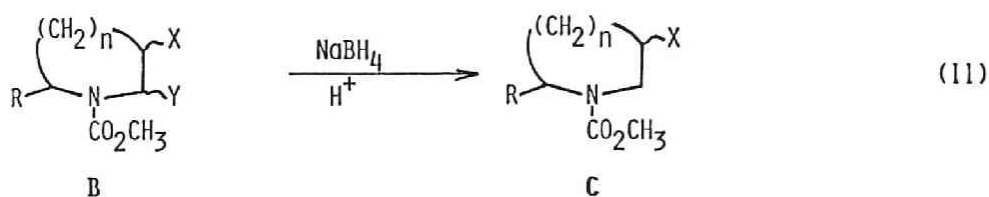
Although the β -chlorination of F seems to be explainable by the similar mechanism to the α, β -diacetoxylation in which the direct oxidation of F generates dication intermediate G, the attack of Cl^{+*9} or Cl_2 generated by anodic oxidation of Cl^- ,¹⁰ on F followed by the conversion of the intermediate cation I to J is more plausible¹² since β -chlorination of α, β -unsaturated compound F (9a) was achieved by treating F with tert-butylhypochlorite (eq 9),⁵ and it has well been known that Cl^{+*} or Cl_2 generated anodically from Cl^- attacks on alkenes.^{11b, 13}



This mechanism suggests that the anodic oxidation of F in the presence of Br^- or I^- makes β -bromination and β -iodination of F possible, since Br^- and I^- are more easily oxidizable than Cl^- .¹⁴ Thus, the anodic oxidation of 9a,b,f under the reaction conditions shown in eq 10 gave β -brominated and β -iodinated products 11, 12, and 13.⁵

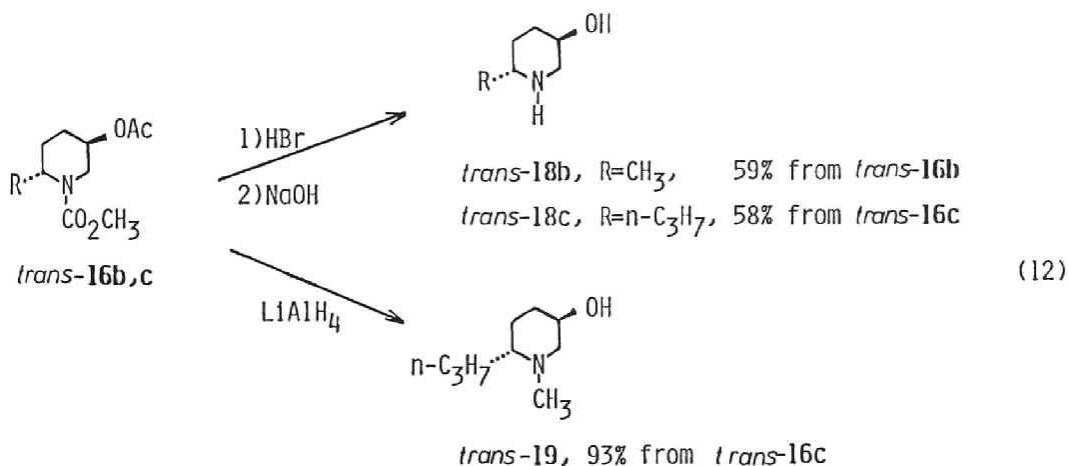


Reductive Elimination of α -Substituents of B and Synthesis of racemic Conium Alkaloids. α -Substituents (Y) of B (2a,b, 3c, 6b, 4a and 10b,e) were easily removable by reduction with NaBH_4 under acidic conditions (eq 11).⁵

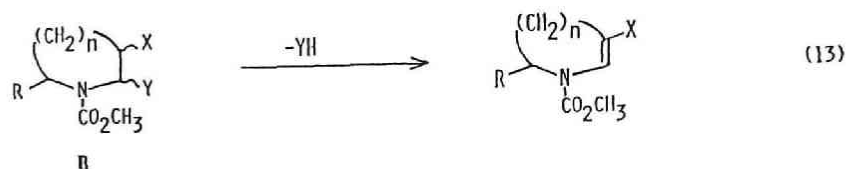


10b, n=1, X=Y=OAc, R=H	14, n=1, X=OAc, R=H, 82% from 10b
6b, n=1, X=Cl, Y=OH, R=CO ₂ CH ₃	15, n=1, X=Cl, R=CO ₂ CH ₃ , 46% from 6b
2a, n=2, X=Y=OAc, R=H	16a, n=2, X=OAc, R=H, 92% from 2a
2b, n=2, X=Y=OAc, R=CH ₃	16b, n=2, X=OAc, R=CH ₃ , 84% from 2b
3c, n=2, X=OAc, Y=OH, R=n-C ₃ H ₇	16c, n=2, X=OAc, R=n-C ₃ H ₇ , 78% from 3c
10e, n=2, X=Y=OAc, R=CO ₂ CH ₃	16e, n=2, X=OAc, R=CO ₂ CH ₃ , 93% from 10e
4a, n=2, X=Cl, Y=OH, R=H	17, n=2, X=Cl, R=H, 80% from 4a

The stereoconfiguration of C was easily determined by GLC method except a proline derivative 15. The ratios of trans to cis were 8:2 in 16b and 9:1 in 16c.¹⁵ The synthesis of racemic Conium alkaloids and the related compounds was easily achievable starting from 16. Hydrolysis of trans-16b with 47% HBr followed by treatment with aqueous NaOH gave trans-β-hydroxy-α-methylpiperidine, trans-18b. Similar hydrolysis of trans-16c gave pseudoconhydrine, trans-18c. Also, reduction of trans-16c with LiAlH₄ gave N-methylpseudoconhydrine, trans-19 (eq 12). In conclusion, the synthesis of racemic Conium alkaloids, trans-18c and trans-19, was achieved almost diastereoselectively starting from A.

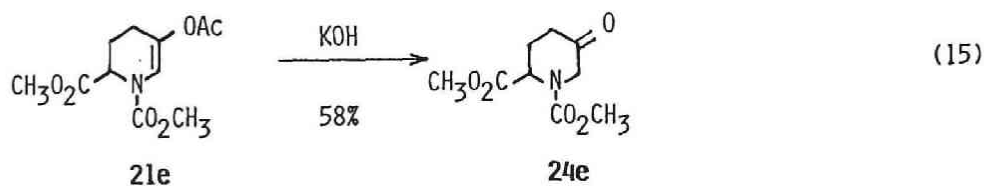
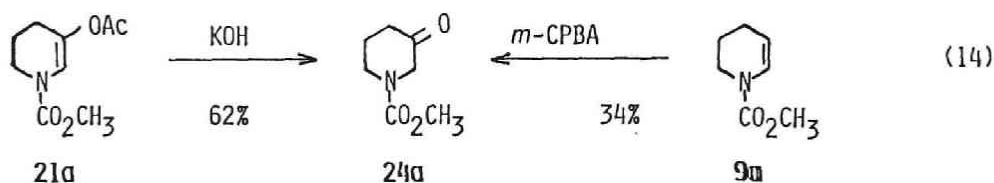


Transformation of B to β -Acetoxyated or -Halogenated α, β -Unsaturated Compounds and β -Oxo Compounds. Heating α, β -disubstituted compounds B (2a,b, 3c, 4a, 6b, 10e, and 12p) easily gave β -substituted α, β -unsaturated compounds (20-23) (eq 13).

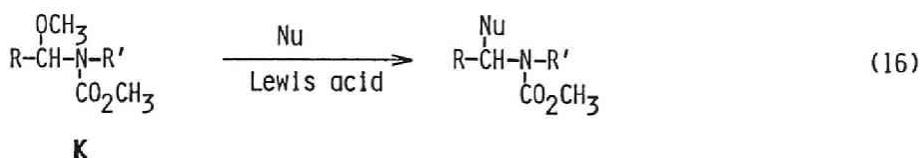


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<u>2a</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{Y}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{R}=\text{H}$	<u>21a</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{R}=\text{H}$, 100% from <u>2a</u>
<u>2b</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{Y}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$	<u>21b</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{R}=\text{CH}_3$, 100% from <u>2b</u>
<u>3c</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{Y}=\text{OH}$, $\text{R}=\text{n-C}_3\text{H}_7$	<u>21c</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{R}=\text{n-C}_3\text{H}_7$, 100% from <u>3c</u>
<u>10e</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{Y}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{R}=\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$	<u>21e</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{OAc}$, $\text{R}=\text{CO}_2\text{CH}_3$, 87% from <u>10e</u>
<u>12p</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{Br}$, $\text{Y}=\text{OCH}_3$, $\text{R}=\text{H}$	<u>22</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{Br}$, $\text{R}=\text{H}$, 96% from <u>12p</u>
<u>4a</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{Cl}$, $\text{Y}=\text{OH}$, $\text{R}=\text{H}$	<u>23</u> , $n=2$, $\text{X}=\text{Cl}$, $\text{R}=\text{H}$, 76% from <u>4a</u>

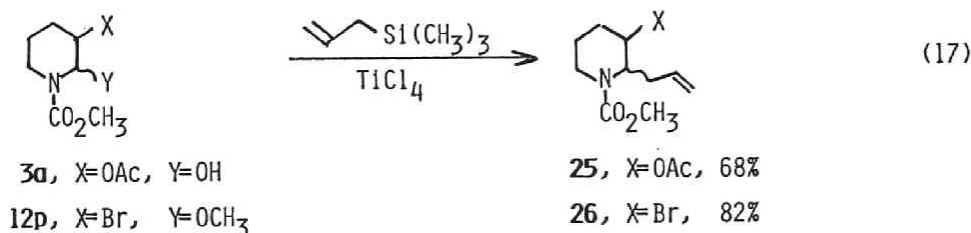
Furthermore, the β -substituted α, β -unsaturated compounds were good precursors for β -oxo compounds as exemplified by the synthesis of β -oxopiperidine derivatives 24a,e. The oxidation of 9a with *m*-CPBA was found to be an alternative route to 24a (eqs 14 and 15).



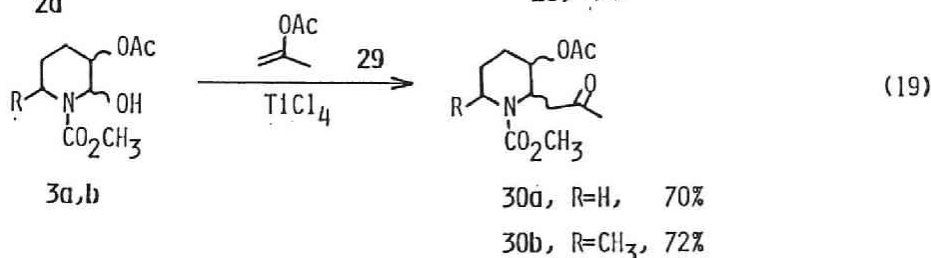
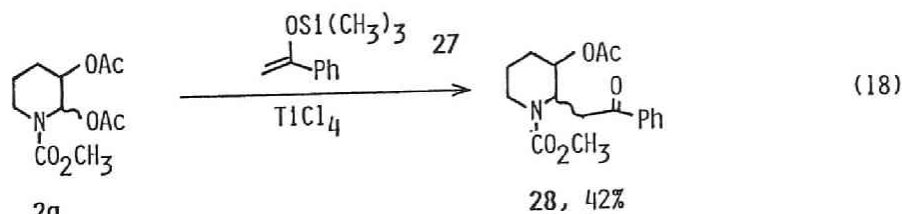
Substitution at the α -Position of B. Methods for the substitution of the α -methoxy group of α -methoxylated compounds K with a variety of nucleophiles (Nu) have already been exploited (eq 16).^{3, 16}



Application of these methods to B led to the facile preparation of a variety of α -substituted β -acetoxyl- or β -halogeno compounds. For example, allylation at the α -position of 3a and 12p according to the reported conditions⁴ gave α -allylated compounds 25 and 26, respectively (eq 17).⁵



Also, the reaction of 2a or 3a,b with enol ether 27 or enol ester 29 afforded α -substituted products 29 or 30a,b (eqs 18 and 19).⁵



Experimental Section

Anodic Oxidation. Anodic oxidation was carried out using DC Power Supply (GP 050-2) of Takasago Seisakusho, Ltd. A glass beaker (50mL) equipped with Pt plate anode (20mm x 20mm) and carbon rod cathode (8mm ϕ) was used as an electrolysis cell.

Materials. The preparation of 1a,b,² 5a,^{3f} 8,² 9a-d,^{3f} and 9e,¹⁷ has been reported. Compounds 1d and 9f were prepared according to the reported method.³

α -Acetonyl-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (1d) was prepared by the reaction of 8 with isopropenyl acetate (29) in the presence of TiCl_4 in 69% yield: IR (neat) 2950, 2920, 1700, 1452, 1270, 1175, 762cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.46 (br s, 6H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 2.48 (d, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.85 (dt, $J=3$ and 14Hz , 1H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.96 (dd, $J=14$ and 3Hz , 1H), 4.52-4.83 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$: C, 60.28; H, 8.60; N, 7.03. Found: C, 60.42; H, 8.75; N, 6.74.

N-Methoxycarbonylaza-2-cycloheptene (9f): 86% yield from the corresponding α -methoxylated compound;^{3h} bp $94-95^\circ\text{C}$ (25mm); IR (neat) 2940, 2860, 1712, 1655, 1448, 1220, 788cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.55-1.92 (m, 4H), 2.09-3.34 (m, 2H), 3.59-3.84 (m, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 4.88 (dt, $J=9$ and 6Hz , 1H), 6.51 (br d, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_2$: C, 61.91; H, 8.44; N, 9.03. Found: C, 61.64; H, 8.72; N, 8.81.

N-Methoxycarbonyl- α -propylpiperidine (1c) was prepared by the TiCl_4 -catalyzed reaction of 8 with allyltrimethylsilane followed by hydrogenation

in 82% yield or by the reaction of 8 with propylmagnesium bromide in the presence of $\text{BF}_3 \cdot \text{OEt}_2$ in 45% yield:¹⁸ IR (neat) 2935, 2865, 1685, 1445, 1370, 1260, 1180, 1148, 1090, 767cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.93 (t, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.10-1.92 (m, 10H), 2.78 (dt, $J=12$ and 3Hz), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.81-4.40 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_2$: C, 64.83; H, 10.34; N, 7.56. Found: C, 64.96; H, 10.64; N, 7.58.

Anodic Oxidation of 1a-d in AcOH Containing AcOK. A general procedure for α , β -diacetoxylation of 1a-d is exemplified by the anodic oxidation of 1a. Into an electrolysis cell as described above was added a solution of 1a (2.145g, 15mmol) and AcOK (3.0g, 30.6mmol) in acetic acid (30mL). After 12F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 0.4A (12h, terminal voltage; ca.35 V) through the solution cooled with water, aqueous NaHCO_3 was added into the reaction mixture cooled ice-water (method b in Table 1, Run 2), and the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (30mLx4). After the extract was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:1) to afford α , β -diacetoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (2a) in 61% yield and β -acetoxy- α -hydroxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (3a) in 20% yield.

On the other hand, working up the reaction mixture by stirring with water at room temperature for 6h (method a in Table 1, Run 1) afforded only 3a in 88% yield (20F/mol). NMR spectra showed that 2a was a mixture of trans and cis isomer (2:1),² and 3a was a mixture of trans and cis isomers (1:1).

2a: IR (neat) 2953, 2880, 1740, 1708, 1442, 1368, 1238, 1222, 1160, 1044, 769cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.42-1.98 (m, 4H), 1.91 (s, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.60-3.33 (m, 1H), 3.61-4.13 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 4.51-4.91 (m, 1H), 6.31

and 6.71 (2d, $J=4$ and 6Hz, 1/3 H and 2/3 H). Anal.Calcd for $C_{11}H_{17}NO_6$: C, 50.96; H, 6.61; N, 5.40. Found: C, 51.10; H, 6.87; N, 5.40.

3a: IR (neat) 3440, 2953, 2865, 1738, 1698, 1450, 1367, 1242, 1155, 1052, 1002, 775cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.23-2.00 (m, 4H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.86-3.33(m, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 3.60-3.93 (m, 1H), 4.43-5.30 (m, 2H), 5.47 and 5.70 (2d, $J=3$ and 4 Hz, 1/2 H and 1/2 H). Anal.Calcd for $C_9H_{15}NO_5$: C, 49.76 ; H, 6.96;N, 6.45. Found: C, 49.47; H, 6.97; N, 6.31.

Similarly, the anodic oxidation (20F/mol of electricity) of 1b followed by the workup (method b in Table 1, Run 4) gave 2b and 3b in 34 and 45% yields, respectively, while the workup (method a in Table 1, Run 3) gave only 3b in 92% yield. Similar anodic oxidation of 1c,d gave 3c,d. The stereochemistry of 2b and 3b-d could not be determined on the basis of their NMR spectra.

α , β -Diacetoxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -methyloperidine (2b): IR (neat) 2955, 1746, 1718, 1445, 1372, 1315, 1240, 1208, 785cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.03-2.27 (m, 4H), 1.18 (d, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.95, 2.03, and 2.07 (3s, 6H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 4.06-4.51 (m, 1H), 4.70-4.91 (m, 1H), 6.46 and 6.76 (2d, $J=1$ and 3Hz, 1/4H and 3/4H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{19}NO_6$: C, 52.74; H, 7.01; N, 5.13. Found: C, 52.98; H, 7.23; N, 5.17.

β -Acetoxy- α -hydroxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -methyloperidine (3b): IR (neat) 3450, 2965, 1740, 1702, 1688, 1456, 1375, 1242, 1034, 780cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.15-2.27 (m, 4H), 1.27 (d, $J=8\text{Hz}$, 3H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.96-4.38 (m, 2H), 4.62-4.90 (m, 1H), 5.40 and 5.60 (2d, $J=3$ and 4 Hz, 1/6H and 5/6H); MS, m/e 214 (M^+-OH), 171 (base); exact mass calcd m/e

214.1080 (M^+-OH), found 214.1095 (M^+-OH).

β -Acetoxy- α -hydroxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -propylpiperidine (3c):

93% yield at 21F/mol (method a in Table 1, Run 5); IR (neat) 3430, 2970, 2880, 1740, 1712, 1456, 1240, 1052, 778 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.93 (t, $J=7Hz$, 3H), 0.99-2.30 (m, 8H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 3.53-4.24 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 4.41-4.90 (m, 1H), 5.43 and 5.67 (2d, $J=3$ and 4Hz, 1/4H and 3/4H), 6.13 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{21}NO_5$: C, 55.58; H, 8.16; N, 5.40. Found: C, 55.34; H, 8.33; N, 5.41.

α' -Acetonyl- β -acetoxy- α -hydroxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (3d):

53% yield at 18F/mol (method a in Table 1, Run 6); IR (neat) 3400, 2950, 2865, 1740, 1680, 1452, 1378, 1246, 1030, 790 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.20-2.24 (m, 4H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 2.11 (s, 3H), 2.77 (d, $J=6Hz$, 2H), 3.64 (br s, 1H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 4.28-4.87 (m, 2H), 5.42 and 5.66 (2d, $J=3$ and 4Hz, 1/6H and 5/6H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{19}NO_6$: C, 52.74; H, 7.01; N, 5.13. Found: C, 52.64; H, 6.95; N, 4.85.

Anodic Oxidation of 1a,b and 5a,b in Aqueous MeCN Containing NH_4Cl .

α -Hydroxy- β -chlorination of 1a,b and 5a,b in aqueous acetonitrile was carried out under the following conditions. Into an electrolysis cell as described above was added a solution of 1a (0.429g, 3mmol) and NH_4Cl (2.0g, 37.4mmol) in acetonitrile (30mL) and water (3mL). After 15F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 0.5A (2.4h, terminal voltage; ca. 45V) through the solution, water (30mL) was added to the electrolyzed solution and the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (25mLx4). After the extract was dried over $MgSO_4$ and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:1) to afford

β -chloro- α -hydroxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (4a) in 57% yield. By the similar procedure were obtained 4b and 5a,b from 1b and 5a,b, respectively. Although these products consisted of stereoisomers, their ratios could not be determined.

4a: IR (neat) 3360, 2954, 2860, 1700, 1680, 1444, 1260, 1037, 768 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.26-2.62 (m, 4H), 2.86-3.43 (m, 1H), 3.53-4.47 (m, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 5.60-5.99 (br s, 1H), Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_3\text{Cl}$: C, 43.42, H, 6.25; N, 7.23; Cl, 18.31. Found: C, 43.52; H, 6.27; N, 7.17; Cl, 18.46.

β -Chloro- α -hydroxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -methylpiperidine (4b): 47% yield at 15F/mol; IR (neat) 3400, 2950, 1708, 1442, 1090, 975, 788, 732 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.15 (d, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.43-1.77 (m, 2H), 1.90-2.49 (m, 2H), 3.31 (br s, 1H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 4.05-4.56 (m, 2H), 5.90 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 209, 207 (M^+), 194, 192 (base), 154; exact mass calcd m/e 207.0662, found 207.0648.

β -Chloro- α -hydroxy-N-methoxycarbonylpyrrolidine (6a): 47% yield at 20F/mol; mp 60-61 $^\circ\text{C}$ (from ether); IR (neat) 3500, 2968, 2905, 1692, 1458, 1387, 1208, 1126, 1030, 778 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.84-2.85 (m, 2H), 3.49 (br d, $J=4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.63 (br s, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 4.17 (br d, $J=4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 5.21 (br s, 1H), 5.39 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_6\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_3\text{Cl}$: C, 40.12; H, 5.61; N, 7.80; Cl, 19.74. Found: C, 40.07; H, 5.65; N, 8.00; Cl, 19.53.

β -Chloro- α' ,N-dimethoxycarbonyl- α -hydroxypyrrolidine (6b): 68% yield at 50F/mol; IR (neat) 3450, 2975, 1730, 1705, 1459, 1383, 1208, 1137, 1052, 1020, 780 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.13-2.93 (m, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 4.12-5.40 (m, 3H), 5.67 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_5\text{Cl}$:

C, 40.43; H, 5.09; N, 5.89; Cl, 14.92. Found: C, 40.41; H, 5.36; N, 5.66; Cl, 14.71.

Anodic Oxidation of 1a,b in CH₂Cl₂ Containing Et₄NOTs. Into an electrolysis cell as described above added a solution of 1a (0.429g, 3mmol) and Et₄NOTs (0.15g, 0.5mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (10mL). After 5F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 0.3A (1.4h, terminal voltage; ca. 30V) through the solution, the usual workup gave 4a in 31% yield. Similarly, 4b was obtained from 1b in 61% yield (11.2F/mol).

Anodic Oxidation of 1a in MeOH Containing NH₄Cl. Into an electrolysis cell as described above was added a solution of 1a (2.145g, 15mmol) and NH₄Cl (1.17g, 21.9mmol) in MeOH (40mL), and 15F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 1A (6.4h, terminal voltage; ca. 12V) through the solution. After the solvent was removed in vacuo without heating, water (30 mL) was added to the residue, and the organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (25mLx4). After the extract was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt: hexane=1:5) to afford β -chloro- α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (7) in 90% yield. NMR spectrum showed that 7 was a mixture of stereoisomers (trans:cis=4:1).²⁰ The ratio was determined on the basis of the strength of peaks of the α -methoxy group.

7: IR (neat) 2970, 1710, 1452, 1279, 1182, 1085, 965, 949, 774, 706 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.24-2.32 (m, 4H), 2.91 (br t, J=12 Hz, 1H), 3.29 and 3.35 (2s, 12/5H and 3/5H), 3.60-4.21 (m, 2H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 5.31 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 209, 207 (M⁺), 178, 176 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 207.0663, found 207.0687. Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₄NO₃Cl: C, 46.27; H, 6.80; N, 6.75; Cl,

17.07. Found: C, 46.74; H, 7.04; N, 6.69; Cl; 16.67.

Transformation of 8 to 9a. A solution of 8 (1.039g, 6.0mmol) in AcOH (50mL) was stirred at room temperature. After 12h, the solution was poured into aqueous NaHCO₃, and extracted with CH₂Cl₂. The extract was dried over MgSO₄, and subjected to column chromatography on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) to afford 9a in quantitative yield.

Transformation of 8 to 3a. Compound 3a was obtained from 8 in 62% yield at 7F/mol, by the procedure similar to the anodic diacetoxylation of 1a-d in AcOH containing AcOK (workup: method a).

Anodic Oxidation of 9a-e in AcOH. α , β -Diacetoxylation of 9a-e was achieved under conditions similar to the anodic oxidation of 1a-d in AcOH. After the workup (method b), products were isolated by column chromatography (silica gel). The yields of 2a and 3a were 65 and 22% yields (6F/mol), respectively. The ratios of trans to cis of 2a and 3a were identical with those of 2a and 3a obtained by the anodic oxidation of 1a. The stereochemistry of products 10b-e could not be determined.

α , β -Diacetoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpyrrolidine (10b): 55% yield at 3.8 F/mol; IR (neat) 2954, 1720, 1448, 1392, 1240, 1206, 1018, 952, 775 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.83-2.23 (m, 2H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 2.06 (s, 3H), 3.23-3.60 (m, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 4.86-5.10 (m, 1H), 6.21-6.77 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 202 (M⁺-Ac), 186, 173, 160, 143 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 202.0715, found 202.0713.

N-(α , β -Diacetoxy)butyl-N-methoxycarbonylbutylamine (10c): 76% yield

at 4.2 F/mol; IR (neat) 2952, 2876, 1732, 1695, 1452, 1370, 1218, 1018, 775 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.80-1.08 (m, 6H), 1.12-1.76 (m, 6H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 2.01 (s, 3H), 3.00-3.04 (m, 2H), 3.70 and 3.72 (2s, 3H), 4.97-5.26 (m, 1H), 6.39 (d, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_6$: C, 55.43; H, 8.31; N, 4.62. Found: C, 55.39; h, 8.53; N, 4.78.

N-(α , β -Diacetoxy)butyl-N-methoxycarbonylallylamine (10d): 83% yield at 5.9 F/mol; IR (neat) 3080, 2972, 2880, 1732, 1705, 1450, 1370, 1312, 1220, 1020, 772 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.85 and 0.90 (2t, $J=8$ and 9Hz , 3H), 1.24-1.80 (m, 2H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.71-3.88 (m, 2H), 4.90-5.30 (m, 3H), 5.51-6.03 (m, 1H), 6.34 (d, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_6$: C, 54.34; H, 7.37; N, 4.88; Found: C, 54.20; H, 7.42; N, 4.85.

α , β -Diacetoxy- α' ,N-dimethoxycarbonylpiperidine (10e). 75% yield at 7 F/mol; IR (neat) 2975, 1740, 1452, 1378, 1205, 1030, 1018 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.64-2.35 (m, 4H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.10 m (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.84 (s, 3H), 4.91 (br s, 2H), 6.63-6.84 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_8$: C, 49.21; H, 6.04; N, 4.41. Found: C, 48.94; H, 6.15; N, 4.11.

α -Hydroxy- or α -Methoxy- β -chlorination of 9a. Compound 9a was transformed into 4a by the anodic oxidation similar to that of 1a in aqueous acetonitrile containing NH_4Cl (79% yield at 3.5 F/mol) or CH_2Cl_2 containing Et_4NOTs (34% yield at 6 F/mol). Compound 7 was obtained from 9a by the similar anodic oxidation of 1a in MeOH containing NH_4Cl (82% yield at 6 F/mol).

Transformation of 9a into 7 with tert-BuOCl in MeOH. Into a solution of 9a (2.822g, 20 mmol) in methanol (30 mL) at room temperature was added dropwise tert-butyl hypochlorite (2.98 mL, 25 mmol) in a period of 2 min.

After the solution was stirred for 10min, the usual workup afforded 7 (trans:cis=4:1) in 70% yield. NMR spectrum of 7 obtained by this method was identical with that of 7 obtained by anodic method of 1a.

Anodic Oxidation of 9a,b,f in MeOH Containing NH₄X or NaX. α -Methoxy- β -bromination and β -iodination of 9a,b,f in methanol were carried out by the procedures as exemplified by β -bromination of 9b. Into an electrolysis cell as described above was added a solution of 9b (0.636g, 5mmol) and NH₄Br (0.735g, 7.5mmol) in methanol (20mL), and 3.5F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 0.3A (1h, terminal voltage; ca. 6V) through the solution. After the solvent was removed in vacuo without heating, aqueous Na₂S₂O₃ (20mL) was added to the residue, and the organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (15mLx4). After the extract was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt: hexane=1:5) to afford β -bromo- α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpyrrolidine (11p) in 42% yield. Compounds 11q, 12p,q, and 13p,q were obtained according to the similar procedures. NMR spectra showed that 11p,q, 12q, and 13p,q were almost trans isomer, while 12p was a mixture of stereoisomers (trans:cis=5:1).²⁰

11p: IR (neat) 2955, 1718, 1450, 1200, 1180, 1122, 1080, 778 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.93-2.84 (m, 2H), 3.26-3.84 (m, 2H), 3.39 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 4.16 (br d, J=5Hz, 1H), 5.09-5.34 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₇H₁₂NO₃Br: C, 35.31; H, 5.08; N, 5.88; Br, 33.56. Found: C, 35.52; H, 5.07; N, 5.59; Br, 33.81.

β -Iodo- α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpyrrolidine (11q): 38% yield at 5F/mol (supporting electrolyte: NH₄I); IR (neat) 2960, 1715, 1452, 1380,

1112, 1080, 958, 780 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.03-2.81 (m, 2H), 3.20-3.80 (m, 2H), 3.34 (br s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 4.16 (br d, $J=5\text{Hz}$, 1H), 5.16-5.43 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_3\text{I}$: C, 29.49; H, 4.24; N, 4.91; I, 44.52. Found: C, 29.67; H, 4.30; N, 4.97; I, 44.52.

β -Bromo- α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (12p): 81% yield at 3.5F/mol (supporting electrolyte: NH_4Br); IR (neat) 2952, 1712, 1448, 1272, 1160, 1082, 968, 952, 778 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.29-2.45 (m, 4H), 2.95 (br t, $J=12\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.27 and 3.36 (2s, 5/2H and 1/2H), 3.63-4.63 (m, 2H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 5.44 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 253, 251 (M^+), 222, 220 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 251.0157, found 251.0146.

β -Iodo- α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (12q): 81% yield at 4.0F/mol (supporting electrolyte: NH_4I); IR (neat) 2950, 1712, 1448, 1258, 1200, 1152, 1072, 940 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.34-2.24 (m, 4H), 2.97 (br t, $J=12\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.26 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.79-4.14 (m, 1H), 4.41 (br s, 1H), 5.44 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 268 (M^+-OMe), 172, 158 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 267.9837, found 267.9856.

β -Bromo- α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylazacycloheptane (13p): 70% yield at 5.0F/mol (supporting electrolyte: NaBr); IR (neat) 2948, 2855, 1703, 1438, 1335, 1118, 1095, 1085, 1010, 955, 776 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.13-2.31 (m, 6H), 2.59-3.96 (m, 3H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 5.25-5.61 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 267, 265 (M^+), 236, 234, 208, 206, 186, 154, 144, 128 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 265.0314, found 265.0302.

β -Iodo- α -methoxy-N-methoxycarbonylazacycloheptane (13q): 66% yield at 4.5F/mol (supporting electrolyte: NaI); IR (neat) 2940, 2850, 1700,

1436, 1338, 1137, 1105, 1088, 1068, 1003, 943, 770 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.23-2.51 (m, 6H), 2.69-3.09 (m, 1H), 3.18-4.13 (m, 2H), 3.32 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 5.36-5.73 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 313 (M^+), 282, 254, 196, 186 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 313.0176, found 313.0151.

Reduction of 2a,b, 3c, 4a, and 10b. A general procedure is exemplified by reduction of 10b. Into a solution of 10b (0.238g, 0.97mmol) in acetic acid (4mL) was added in portions 90% NaBH_4 (0.184g, 4.36mmol). After 1.5h, aqueous NaHCO_3 (20mL) was poured into the reaction mixture and the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (20mLx4). After the extract was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt :hexane=1:2) to afford β -acetoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpyrrolidine (14) in 82% yield.

14: IR (neat) 2955, 2890, 1741, 1710, 1458, 1395, 1248, 1202, 775 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.83-2.29 (m, 2H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 3.09-3.84 (m, 4H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 5.15-5.49 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_4$: C, 51.33; H, 7.00; N, 7.00. Found: C, 51.05; H, 6.99; N, 7.20.

The reduction of 2a,b, 3c, and 4a under the similar conditions gave 16a,b,c, and 17, respectively. Compounds 16b,c consisted of mixtures of stereoisomers. The GLC (Silicon DC 550) and NMR spectra showed that the ratios of stereoisomers of 16b and 16c were 8:2 and 9:1, respectively. The main isomers (trans-isomers) of 16b,c could be separated by chromatography.

β -Acetoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (16a): 92% yield from 2a; IR (neat) 2960, 2875, 1741, 1712, 1452, 1238, 1049, 776 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ

1.33-2.13 (m, 4H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 3.21-3.55 (m, 4H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 4.65-4.97 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_9H_{15}NO_4$: C, 53.72; H, 7.51; N, 6.96. Found: C, 53.64; H, 7.63; N, 6.94.

β -Acetoxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -methylpiperidine (trans:cis=8:2, 16b): 84% yield from 2b; IR (neat) 2960, 2865, 1740, 1452, 1372, 1235, 1165, 1027, 960, 942, 923, 873, 850, 825, 772 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.17 (d, $J=7Hz$, 3H), 1.32-1.92 (m, 4H), 2.04 and 2.05 (2s, 12/5H and 3/5H), 2.78 (dd, $J=15$ and 11Hz, 1/5H), 3.05 (dd, $J=15$ and 2Hz, 4/5H), 3.69 and 3.71 (2s, 12/5H and 3/5H), 4.10-4.92 (m, 3H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_{17}NO_4$: C, 55.80; H, 7.96; N, 6.51. Found: C, 56.09; H, 8.18; N, 6.44.

trans-16b: NMR (400MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 1.17 (d, $J=7Hz$, 3H), 1.32-1.92 (m, 4H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 3.05 (dd, $J=15Hz$ and 2Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 4.15 (d, $J=15Hz$, 1H), 4.50 (br s, 1H), 4.89 (br s, 1H).

β -Acetoxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -propylpiperidine (trans:cis=9:1, 16c): 78% yield from 3c; IR (neat) 2950, 2860, 1736, 1695, 1444, 1368, 1230, 1158, 1020, 958, 840, 770 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.93 (t, $J=7Hz$, 3H), 1.21-1.94 (m, 8H), 2.03 and 2.05 (2s, 27/10H and 3/10H), 2.69 (dd, $J=13$ and 11Hz, 1/10H), 2.97 (dd, $J=15$ and 2Hz, 9/10H), 3.68 and 3.69 (2s, 27/10H and 3/10H), 4.16-4.90 (m, 3H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{21}NO_4$: C, 59.24; H, 8.70; N, 5.76. Found: C, 59.14; H, 8.87; N, 5.64.

trans-16c: NMR (400MHz, $CDCl_3$) δ 0.93 (t, $J=7Hz$, 3H), 1.26-1.81 (m, 8H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.97 (dd, $J=15$ and 2Hz, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 4.18 (d, $J=14Hz$, 1H), 4.32 (br s, 1H), 4.84 (br s, 1H).

β -Chloro-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (17): 80% yield from 4a; IR (neat) 2972, 2880, 1718, 1481, 1454, 1419, 1270, 1248, 1202, 1162, 1138,

972, 778, 770 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.23-2.49 (m, 4H), 2.76-3.30 (m, 2H), 3.53-4.30 (m, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H); MS, m/e 179, 177, 164, 162, 142, 102 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 177.0556, found 177.0543.

Reduction of 6a and 10e. The reduction of 6b and 10e required more acidic conditions. That is, into a solution of 10e (0.428g, 1.35mmol) and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ (0.6mL, 6.75mmol) in acetic acid (10mL) was added in portions 90% NaBH_4 (1.134g, 27mmol). After stirred at room temperature for 2 days, the solution was worked up by usual method to give β -acetoxy- α' ,N-bis-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (16e) in 91% yield. GLC showed that 16e was a mixture of stereoisomers (9:1). On the other hand, the stereochemistry of β -chloro- α' ,N-bis(methoxycarbonyl)pyrrolidine (15) could not be determined on basis of GLC.

15: IR (neat) 2970, 1750, 1715, 1458, 1395, 1222, 1205, 1125, 1040, 718 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.91-3.10 (m, 2H), 3.47-4.70 (m, 4H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{NO}_4\text{Cl}$: C, 43.35; H, 5.46; N, 5.32; Cl, 16.00. Found: C, 43.10; H, 5.29; N, 6.45; Cl, 15.76.

16e: IR (neat) 2965, 1738, 1705, 1452, 1374, 1236, 1158, 1124, 1028 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.38-2.21 (m, 4H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 3.11-3.41 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.96-4.37 (m, 1H), 4.92 (br s, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_6$: C, 50.96; H, 6.61; N, 5.40. Found: C, 51.18; H, 6.75; N, 5.30.

Synthesis of (±)-Pseudoconhydrine (trans-18c). A solution of trans-16c (0.243g, 1mmol) in 47% aqueous HBr was refluxed for 2h. Into the mixture was poured aqueous NaOH until the solution became to be pH 9 and the

organic portion was extracted with AcOEt (20mLx4). After the extract was dried over MgSO₄, the solvent was evaporated to give a residue, which was distilled with kugel rohr to give trans-18c in 58% yield. The similar procedure yielded trans-18b from trans-16b in 59% yield. The spectroscopic data of trans-18b,c were identical with those of reported authentic samples.^{15a, b}

Synthesis of (±)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine (trans-19). Into a solution of trans-16c (0.243g, 1mmol) in ether (10mL) was added in portions LAH (0.076g, 2mmol) and the solution was refluxed for 3h. After the solution was quenched with water, the organic portions was extracted with AcOEt (15mLx4). The extract was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed by distillation to afford trans-19^{4b} in 93% yield.

Transformation of 4a, 6b, 10e, and 12p to 20, 21e, 22, and 23. A mixture of 29a (0.332g, 1.85mmol) and NH₄Cl (0.01g, 0.19mmol) was heated (100 °C) under an atmosphere of nitrogen with reduced pressure (22mm) for 3h. After the reaction was completed, β-chloro-N-methoxycarbonyl-2-pyrroline (20) was isolated by kugel rohr distillation in 94% yield. β-Bromo- α, β-didehydro-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (22) was prepared in 96% yield by heating (225°C) 12p under reduced pressure (45mm). Also, β-acetoxy- α, β-didehydro- α',N-bis(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (21e) was prepared in 87% yield by heating (165 °C) 10e under reduced pressure (16mm). On the other hand, 4a was transformed into β-chloro- α, β-didehydro-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (23) by heating (120 °C) without NH₄Cl in 76% yield.

20: bp 140°C (22mm); IR (neat) 2970, 2915, 1718, 1459, 1390, 1200, 1132 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.97 (tt, J=6 and 6Hz, 2H), 2.46 (t, J=6Hz, 2H),

3.59 (t, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 7.12 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{10}\text{NO}_2\text{Br}$: C, 38.21; H, 4.58; N, 6.36; Br, 36.31. Found: C, 38.31; H, 4.56; N, 6.19; Br, 36.04.

23: bp 150–160 °C (2mm); IR (neat) 3100, 2951, 2872, 1713, 1657, 1442, 1190, 968, 914, 760, 690 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.91 (t, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.33 (t, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.54 (t, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 6.93 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 177, 175 (base, M^+), 140; exact mass calcd m/e 175.0400, found 175.0404.

21e: bp 165 °C (22mm); IR (neat) 3020, 2960, 1755, 1720, 1448, 1360, 1220, 1200, 772 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.90–2.60 (m, 4H), 2.15 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 4.76–5.07 (m, 1H), 7.06 (br d, $J=10\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_6$: C, 51.36; H, 5.88; N, 5.46. Found: C, 51.33; H, 5.91; N, 5.49.

Synthesis of 21a-c from 2a,b or 3c. A solution of 2a,b or 3c (5mmol) in acetic acid (10mL) was refluxed in flask equipped with a reflux condenser. After 10min, acetic acid was distilled and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) to afford 21a-c in quantitative yields.

β -Acetoxy- α , β -didehydro-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (21a): IR (neat) 3113, 2950, 2876, 1748, 1693, 1442, 1392, 1358, 1220, 1192, 1100, 1043, 980, 920, 760 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.73–2.06 (m, 2H), 2.08 (s, 3H), 2.24 (t, $J=6\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.47–3.63 (m, 2H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 6.65 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_3$: C, 54.26; H, 6.58; N, 7.03. Found: C, 54.45; H, 6.69; N, 6.83.

β -Acetoxy- α , β -didehydro-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -methylpiperidine
(21b): IR (neat) 2952, 1759, 1711, 1442, 1360, 1340, 1199, 1099, 1086, 765 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.15 (d, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.33-2.67 (m, 4H), 2.18 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 4.09-4.51 (m, 1H), 6.58 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 213 (M^+), 171 (base), 156; exact mass calcd m/e 213.1000, found 213.0978.

β -Acetoxy- α , β -didehydro-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -propylpiperidine
(21c): IR (neat) 2960, 2940, 2870, 1752, 1704, 1442, 1360, 1220, 1190, 1098, 788, 764 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.95 (t, $J=3\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.07-2.26 (m, 8H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.93-4.43 (m, 1H), 6.64 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 241 (M^+), 199, 156 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 241.1313, found 241.1312.

Preparation of β -Oxo compounds (24a,e). Into a flask was added a solution of 21a (0.136g, 0.683mmol) and 85% KOH (0.057g, 0.935mmol) in water (5.6mL) and the resulting solution was stirred with cooling in ice-water. After 15min, the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (15mLx4) and the extract was dried over MgSO_4 . Then, the solvent was removed in vacuo to give a residue which was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:2) to afford N-methoxycarbonyl- β -oxopiperidine (24a) in 62% yield. By the similar procedure was obtained α' ,N-bis(methoxycarbonyl)- β -oxopiperidine (24e) from 21e in 58% yield.

The preparation of 24a was achieved by oxidation of 9a. That is, a solution of 9a (1.41g, 10mmol) and 80% m-CPBA (2.158g, 10mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 was stirred at room temperature. After 18h, p-TsOH $\cdot$ H_2O (0.41g, 2.15mmol) was added to the reaction mixture, which was then stirred at room temperature overnight. The reaction mixture was washed with 0.5% aqueous NaOH (50 mLx4) and the organic portion was separated. After the aqueous layer was

extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (30mLx4), the combined extracts were dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The product 24a was isolated in 37% yield by column chromatography: IR (neat) 2965, 2880, 1700, 1454, 1225, 1120, 964, 772 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.03 (tt, $J=6$ and 7Hz, 2H), 2.40 (t, $J=7$ Hz, 2H), 3.59 (t, $J=6$ Hz, 2H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.91 (s, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$: C, 53.49; H, 7.05; N, 8.91. Found: C, 53.72; H, 7.19; N, 8.69.

24e: IR (neat) 2960, 1738, 1715, 1700, 1450, 1224, 1202, 788 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.11-2.64 (m, 4H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 3.89 (s, 3H), 4.01-5.11 (m, 3H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_5$: C, 50.23; H, 6.09; N, 6.51. Found: C, 50.04; H, 6.13; N, 6.48.

α -Alkylation of α , β -Disubstituted Piperidines 2a, 3a,b, and 12p.
 α -Alkyl- β -acetoxy(or bromo)-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidines 25, 26, 28, and 30a,b were prepared according to the reported method.³ A general procedure is exemplified by preparation of 25. Into a solution of TiCl_4 (0.95mL, 8.62 mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (10mL) was added dropwise a solution of 3a (1.288g, 5.75mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (5mL) at -20°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After the solution was stirred at the temperature for 5min, a solution of allyltrimethylsilane (0.95mL, 8.62mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (5mL) was added dropwise in a period of 10min. The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 2h at -20°C and allowed to stand until it was warmed to room temperature. After stirred overnight, the reaction mixture was poured into a cold brine (100mL) and stirred for 10min. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (30mLx4). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:2) to afford β -acetoxy- α -allyl-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (25) in 68% yield.

α -Alkylations of 12p, 2a, and 3a,b with allyltrimethylsilane, enol ether 27, and enol ester 29 were carried out under the similar conditions. Among the products, 25, 26, 28, and 30a,b, the ratios of stereoisomers of 25, 26, and 30a were determined by GLC to be 8:2, 9:1, and 8:2, respectively.

25: IR (neat) 2955, 2855, 1740, 1702, 1645, 1453, 1372, 1242, 772 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.27-1.87 (m, 4H), 1.99 (s, 3H), 2.34 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.80 (dt, $J=10$ and 4Hz, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.81-4.33 (br d, $J=10\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.27 (t, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 1H), 4.60-4.83 (br s, 1H), 4.86-5.18 (m, 2H), 5.50-5.59 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_4$: C, 59.73; H, 7.84; N, 5.81. Found: C, 59.68; H, 8.08; N, 5.78.

α -Allyl- β -bromo-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (26): 82% yield from 12p with allyltrimethylsilane; IR (neat) 2960, 2863, 1698, 1645, 1455, 1270, 1195, 1125, 920, 768 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.37-1.66 (m, 1H), 1.82-2.27 (m, 3H), 2.43 (br t, $J=8\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.62-3.03 (m, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.95-4.66 (m, 3H), 4.96-5.26 (m, 2H), 5.52-6.06 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 222, 220 ($\text{M}^+-\text{CH}_2\text{CH}=\text{CH}_2$), 141 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 219.9997, found 219.9996. Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{NO}_2\text{Br}$: C, 45.82; H, 6.15; N, 5.34; Br, 30.48. Found: C, 46.14; H, 6.30; N, 5.57; Br, 29.84.

β -Acetoxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α -phenacylpiperidine (28): 42% yield from 2a with 27; IR (neat) 2953, 2925, 1737, 1692, 1681, 1595, 1580, 1448, 1375, 1256, 1200, 1142, 760 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.30-2.02 (m, 4H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 3.21 (d, $J=12\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.73-3.38 (m, 1H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 3.90-4.42 (m, 1H), 4.71-5.08 (m, 2H), 7.34-7.66 (m, 3H), 7.86-8.13 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{17}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_5$: C, 63.94; H, 6.63; N, 4.39. Found: C, 64.11; H, 6.84; N,

4.43.

α -Acetonyl- β -acetoxy-N-methoxycarbonylpiperidine (30a): 70% yield from 3a with 29; IR (neat) 2970, 2880, 1745, 1703, 1457, 1246, 1048, 788 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.24-2.20 (m, 4H), 2.00 and 2.08 (2s, 3H), 2.13 and 2.16 (2s, 3H), 2.35-3.10 (m, 1H), 2.58 (d, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.60-4.21 (m, 1H), 4.56-4.98 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5$: C, 56.02; H, 7.44; N, 5.44. Found: C, 55.85; H, 7.31; N, 5.30.

α -Acetonyl- β -acetoxy-N-methoxycarbonyl- α' -methylpiperidine (30b): 72% yield from 3b with 29; IR (neat) 2952, 1735, 1698, 1445, 1362, 1242, 1090, 1024, 788 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.10-2.15 (m, 4H), 1.17 (d, $J=8\text{Hz}$, 3H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.19 (s, 3H), 2.53 (d, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 4.03-5.01 (m, 3H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_5$: C, 57.55; H, 7.80; N, 5.16. Found: C, 57.43; H, 7.80; N, 5.21.

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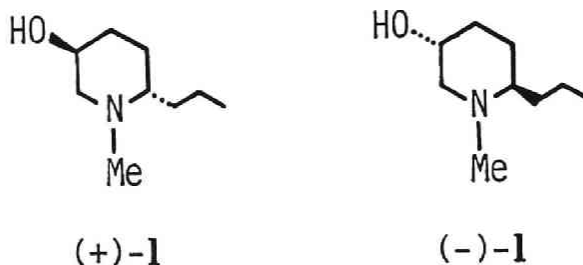
Chapter 2-2

Synthesis of (+)- and (-)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine from L-Lysine Using Anodic Oxidation as the Key Reaction

Abstract: (+)- and (-)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine were synthesized with high optical purity from L-Lysine by utilizing both anodic decarboxylation of pipecolinic acid derivatives and anodic diacetoxylation at 2- and 3- positions of piperidine skeleton as key reactions.

Synthesis of optically active piperidine alkaloids from L-lysine is particularly interesting since the piperidine skeleton found in some natural piperidine alkaloids has been known to be formed from L-lysine.¹

As we have already reported, the anodic transformation of L-lysine to optically active pipecolinic acid is an excellent method of synthesis of piperidine skeleton from L-lysine.² Our previously reported enantioselective synthesis of (+)-N-methylconiine (5) from L-lysine was a typical example of applying this anodic transformation as the key reaction.^{3, 4} We report herein a first synthesis of optically active (+)- and (-)-N-methylpseudoconhydrine, (+)- and (-)-1, from L-lysine using anodic oxidation as the key reaction.

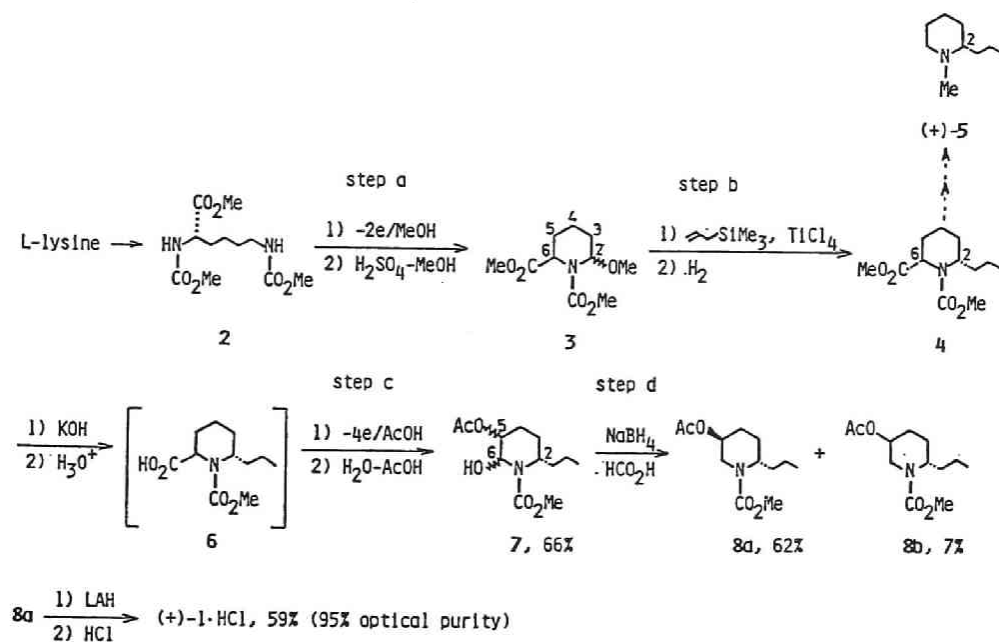


(+)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine, (+)-1, is an alkaloid yielded from South African Conium species and possesses a structure of (2S,5S)-5-hydroxy-1-

methyl-2-propylpiperidine.⁵ Although some methods have been exploited for the diastereoselective construction of 5-hydroxy-2-propylpiperidines,⁶ no studies on the synthesis of optically active ones have been carried out so far except a synthesis of (+)-pseudoconhydrine from D-glucosamine.⁷

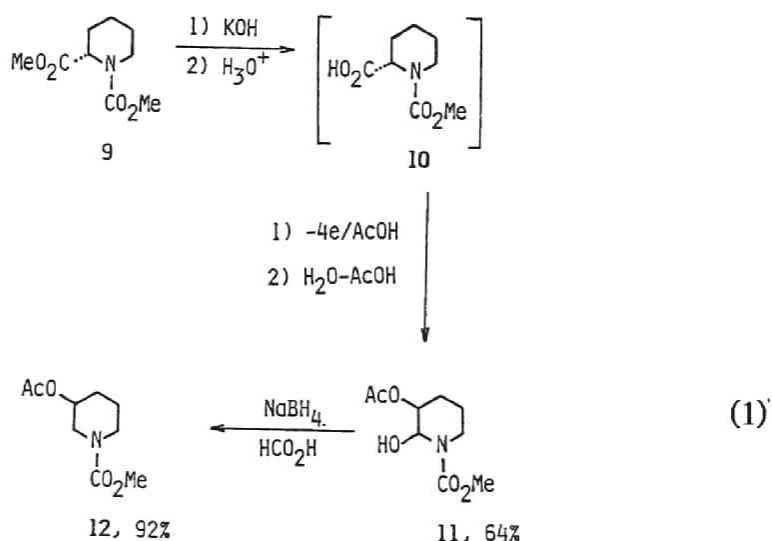
Synthesis of (+)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine {(+)-1}. Our methodology for synthesis of (+)-1 is shown in Scheme I in which (1) a chiral piperidine N,O-acetal 3 is prepared from L-lysine derivative 2 (step a), (2) a propyl group is diastereoselectively introduced to the 2-position of 3 under the influence of the methoxycarbonyl group on the chiral 6-position (step b), (3) an acetoxyl group is introduced to the 5-position of 4 under the influence of the propyl group on the chiral 2-position (step c), and (4) the 6-hydroxyl group of 7 is eliminated to afford 8 (step d). Of these steps, anodic oxidations are utilized in steps (a) and (c).

Scheme I



The synthesis of 4 from L-lysine has been described in our previous report,³ in which the 2-methoxyl group of 3 was substituted by an allyl group and the product was hydrogenated and decarboxylated to give finally 5. Since the stereochemistry at the 2-position of the resulting 5 was (S) and its optical purity was more than 96%, 4 is expected to be an excellent precursor for the synthesis of (+)-1 provided that both elimination of a methoxycarbonyl group at the 6-position of 4 and stereoselective introduction of a hydroxyl group into the 5-position are achievable.

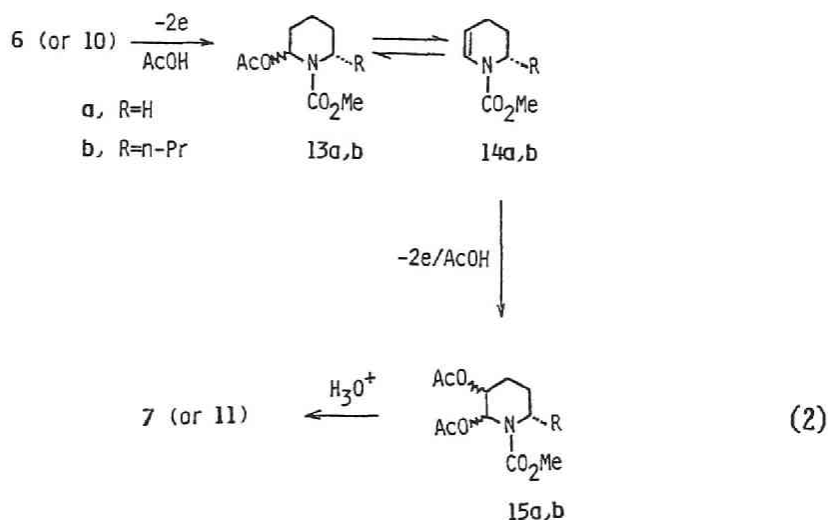
Using compound 9 as a model, we have examined the effectiveness of the anodic oxidation as the key method and found that it worked nicely. Namely, hydrolysis of 9 and subsequent anodic oxidation of 10 in acetic acid gave 11 which was easily reduced to 12 in 59% overall yield (eq 1).



Compound 7, a key intermediate for the synthesis of (+)-1, was obtained from 4 in 71% yield by similar procedures. The hydroxyl group of 7 was easily removed by reducing 7 with NaBH₄ and a stereoisomeric mixture of 8a and 8b was obtained in 69% yield. Stereochemistry of 5-acetoxyl group of 7

was unknown, but the stereochemistry of 8 was found to mainly be trans (9:1). After each stereoisomer was separated by column chromatography, the reduction of main isomer 8a with LAH followed by treatment with HCl gave (+)-1·HCl in 95% optical purity.⁵

The anodic oxidation of 6 to 7 (or 10 to 11) probably proceeded through the intermediary formation of 13, 14, and 15 (eq. 2). Anodic decarboxylation of α -amino acid derivatives has been known⁸ and anodic diacetoxylation of 1-(methoxycarbonyl)-1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridines has already been reported by us.⁹

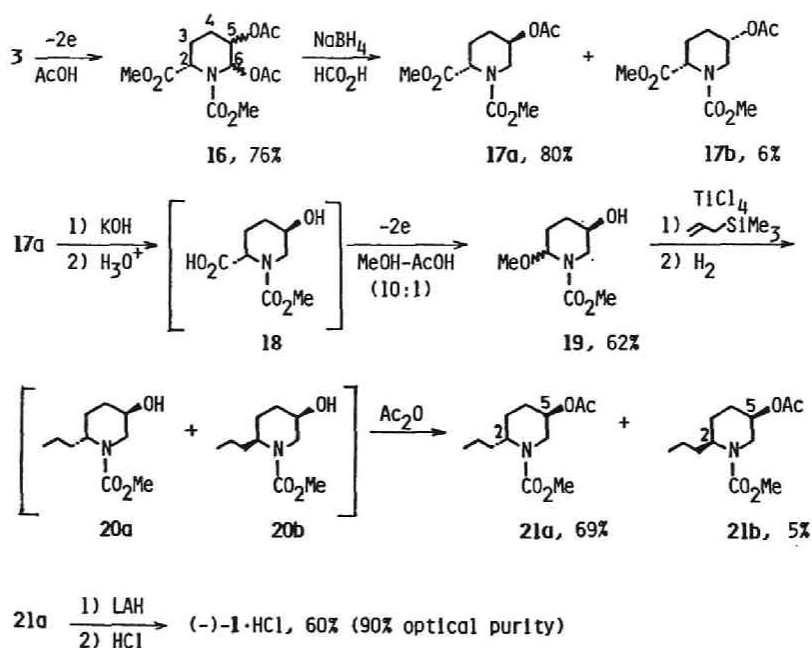


Synthesis of (-)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine {(-)-1}. Unnatural type alkaloid (-)-1 has a structure of (2R,5R)-5-hydroxy-1-methyl-2-propylpiperidine. Hence, the key intermediate 4 was not utilizable for the synthesis of (-)-1 since the stereochemistry at the 2-position of 4 was (S).

Scheme II shows a route for the synthesis of (-)-1 from L-lysine. Anodic oxidation of 3 in acetic acid gave 16 in which the stereochemistry is unknown.^{9, 10} Then, treatment of 16 with NaBH_4 under acidic conditions gave trans-isomer 17a (80% yield) together with small amount of cis-isomer 17b (6% yield). The ratio of 17a and 17b (93:7) was measured by separation with

column chromatography. The stereochemistry at the 5-position of the main product 17a was (R), which was determined at the final stage. Alkaline hydrolysis of 17a followed by anodic decarboxylation in a mixed solvent of methanol and acetic acid gave 19 (62% yield),¹¹ which was then treated with allyltrimethylsilane in the presence of TiCl_4 and hydrogenated successively to give a mixture of 20a and 20b. It was then acetylated and each isomer was separated by column chromatography. The main product, (2R,5R)-isomer 21a (69% yield) was reduced with LAH to give (-)-1, which was identified as its HCl salt, (-)-1·HCl (90% optical purity).⁵ The stereochemistry of the minor isomer 21b (5% yield) was (2S,5R).

Scheme II



In conclusion, the anodic methods, namely, both anodic decarboxylation of pipecolinic acid derivatives and anodic 2,3-diacetoxylation of 1-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidines have been shown to be highly effective in the

synthesis of optically active piperidine alkaloids from L-lysine.

Experimental Section

^1H NMR spectra were measured on a Varian Associates EM-360 or EM-390 spectrometer with chemical shifts given in parts per million (δ) downfield from tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. IR spectra were recorded on a Hitachi 260-10 spectrometers. Elemental analyses were determined by the Center for Instrumental Analysis of Kyoto University. Optical rotations were measured with Perkin-Elmer 241 polarimeter. Mass spectra were recorded on a JEOL IMS-DS300 mass spectrometer. Melting points are uncorrected.

Anodic oxidation was carried out with a DC power supply (GP 050-2) of Takasago Seisakusho, Ltd. A glass beaker (50mL) equipped with a carbon-rod anode and cathode (8mm Φ) was used as an electrolysis cell.

Preparation of 5-Acetoxy-6-hydroxy-1-(methoxycarbonyl)-2-propylpiperidine(7). A solution of 4³ (1.868g, 7.69mmol) and 85% KOH (2.5g, 38.4mmol) in a mixed solvent of methanol (10mL) and water (10mL) was stirred at 0 °C and gradually warmed to room temperature. After stirring for 10h, the solvent was evaporated to remove methanol. The residual aqueous layer was acidified with conc.HCl and the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x20mL). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 , and the solvent was removed to give crude carboxylic acid 6 (1.874g),³ which was used without purification.

Into an electrolysis cell described above was added a solution of crude 6 (1.874g) and AcOK (3g, 26.3mmol) in acetic acid(50mL). After 13F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 0.2A (2.9h, terminal voltage;ca.30V) through the solution cooled with water, water (100mL) was added

to the reaction mixture and stirred for 3h. The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x50mL). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt :hexane=1:4) to afford 7 (1.412g, 5.45mmol) in 71% yield. Spectroscopic data of 7 were consistent with those of known racemic sample.⁹

Reduction of 7. Into a solution of 7 (0.698g, 2.7mmol) in formic acid (10ml) was added, in portions, 90% NaBH_4 (0.46g, 10.9mmol). After 1h, water (30 mL) was poured into the reaction mixture and the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x30mL). After the extract was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt :hexane=1:4) to afford (2S,5S)-5-acetoxy-1-(methoxycarbonyl)-2-propylpiperidine (8a) and (2S,5R)-isomer (8b) in 62% (0.406g, 1.67mmol) and 7% (0.046g, 0.19mmol) yields, respectively.

8a (polar isomer): IR (neat) 2950, 2860, 1736, 1695, 1444, 1368, 1230, 1158, 1020, 958, 840, 770 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.93 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.26-1.81 (m, 8H), 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.97 (dd, $J=15$ and 2Hz, 1H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 4.18 (d, $J=14$ Hz, 1H), 4.32 (br s, 1H), 4.84 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4$: C, 59.24; H, 8.70; N, 5.76. Found: C, 59.14; H, 8.87; N, 5.64.

8b (less polar isomer): IR (neat) 2952, 2865, 1736, 1698, 1442, 1362, 1235, 1160, 1092, 1039, 768 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 0.93 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.21-1.94 (m, 8H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 2.69 (dd, $J=13$ and 11Hz, 1H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 4.16-4.35 (m, 2H), 4.64 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_4$: C, 59.24; H, 8.70; N, 5.76. Found: C, 58.99; H, 8.41; N, 5.63.

3-Acetoxy-1-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (12) was prepared according to

a similar procedure described above through 10 and 11⁹ from 9² in 59% overall yield: IR (neat) 2960, 2875, 1741, 1452, 1238, 1049, 776 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.33-2.13 (m, 4H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 3.21-3.55 (m, 4H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 4.56-4.67 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₉H₁₅NO₄: C, 53.72; H, 7.51; N, 6.96. Found: C, 53.64; H, 7.63; N, 6.94.

(+)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine hydrochloride {(+)-1·HCl}. To a stirred suspension of LAH (0.078g, 2.05mmol) in dry ether (10ml) was added dropwise a solution of 8a (0.29g, 1.19mmol) in dry ether (10mL). The mixture was refluxed for 2h and then cooled to room temperature. Usual working up followed by treatment with HCl gas, gave a crude solid (0.245g). After the solid was washed with AcOEt, (+)-1·HCl was crystallized from methanol-acetone (1:9) at -20°C in 95% optical purity⁵ (0.137g, 0.7mmol, 59% yield): mp 169-170°C; $[\alpha]_D^{25} + 23.8$ (c 0.7, MeOH). The free base: liquid, MS, m/e 157 (M⁺), 128, 115, 114 (base), 96. IR (CHCl₃) 3602, 2965, 2945, 2875, 2800, 1467, 1382, 1098, 1060, 1008, 968, 888cm⁻¹; NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.90 (t, J=7Hz, 3H), 1.00-2.33 (m, 11H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 2.95 (ddd, J=10, 4, and 2 Hz, 1H), 3.35-3.93 (m, 1H).

Anodic oxidation of 3² in acetic acid was carried out according to a similar procedure to the anodic oxidation of 6 described above. 2,3-Diacetoxy-1,2-bis(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (16)⁹ was obtained in 76% yield (8F/mol).

Reduction of 16. Into a solution of 16 (1.828g, 5.77mmol) in formic acid (20 mL) was added, in portions, 90% NaBH₄ (1.21g, 28.9mmol). After stirring at room temperature for 1h, the solution was worked up by a similar method described above to give trans-5-acetoxy-1,2-bis(methoxycarbonyl)pipe-

ridine (17a) and cis-isomer (17b) in 80% (1.200g, 4.63mmol) and 6% (0.096g, 0.37mmol) yields, respectively.

17a (polar isomer): IR (neat) 2965, 1740, 1710, 1452, 1374, 1236, 1158, 1124, 1024cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.38-2.21 (m, 4H), 2.04 (s, 3H), 3.11-3.41 (m, 1H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.96-4.37 (m, 1H), 4.92 (br s, 2H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₇NO₆: C, 50.96; H, 6.61; N, 5.40. Found: C, 51.18; H, 6.75; N, 5.30.

17b (less polar isomer): IR (neat) 2965, 1740, 1710, 1450, 1370, 1242, 1232, 1162, 1048cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.40-2.30 (m, 4H), 1.98 (s, 3H), 2.57-3.00 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 3.95-4.33 (m, 1H), 4.47-4.97 (m, 2H); MS, m/e 258 (M⁺-H), 230, 200, 140 (base). Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₇NO₆: C, 50.96; H, 6.61; N, 5.40. Found: C, 51.25; H, 6.66; N, 5.26.

Preparation of 5-Hydroxy-2-methoxy-1-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (19).
Carboxylic acid 18 was obtained as a white solid by hydrolysis of 17a (1.988 g, 7.68mmol) carried out as described above (1.56g). Into an electrolysis cell as described above was added a solution of the crude 18 (1.56g) and AcOK (2g, 20mmol) in methanol (20mL) and acetic acid (2mL). After 5F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 0.2A (5.1h, terminal voltage; ca. 10V) through the solution cooled with water, water (20mL) was poured into the resulting reaction mixture. The organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x20mL) and the combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo to give a residue, which was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:2) to afford 19 (0.900g, 4.76mmol) in 62% yield: IR (neat) 3450, 2948, 1695, 1260, 1155, 1070, 1001cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.30-2.06(m, 4H), 2.30-4.20 (m, 4H), 3.14(s, 3H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 5.10 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 172 (M⁺-OH), 157 (M⁺-MeOH), 140, 114 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 157.0739 (M⁺-MeOH), found 157.0722 (M⁺-MeOH). Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₅NO₄:

C, 50.78; H, 7.99, N, 7.40. Found: C, 51.05; H, 8.13; N, 7.10.

(2R,5R)- and (2S,5R)-Acetoxy-2-propyl-1-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (21a) and (21b). To a stirred solution of TiCl_4 (0.42 mL, 3.83 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (7 mL) was added dropwise a solution of 19 (0.723 g, 3.83 mmol) and allyltrimethylsilane (0.91 mL, 5.75 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (17 mL) at -70°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. The mixture was gradually warmed to room temperature. Water (25 mL) was added to the solution and the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x30 mL). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed. A mixture of the residue and a catalytic amount of PtO_2 in acetic acid (10 mL) was stirred overnight at room temperature under an atmosphere of hydrogen (1 atm). After the catalyst and solvent were removed, the residue was dissolved in a mixed solvent of acetic anhydride (1.08 mL, 11.5 mmol) and pyridine (0.93 mL, 11.5 mmol). After the solution was stirred for 2 h, dil. HCl (20 mL) was added into the reaction mixture. The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x30 mL) and the combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 . After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford (2R,5R)-isomer 21a and (2S,5R)-isomer 21b in 69% (0.635 g, 2.64 mmol) and 5% (0.050 g, 0.21 mmol) yields, respectively. Their spectroscopic data were consistent with those of 8a,b.

(-)-N-Methylpseudoconhydrine hydrochloride {(-)-1·HCl}. Treatment of 21a with LAH in a similar way to the synthesis of (+)-1 from 8a gave (-)-1 in more than 70%. IR, NMR, and MS spectrum of (-)-1 were consistent with those of (+)-1. The optical purity of synthesized (-)-1 was determined as its HCl salt (60% yield from 21a, 90% optical purity):⁵ mp $157-158^\circ\text{C}$; $[\alpha]_D^{25} -22.6^\circ$ (c 1.0, MeOH).

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Chapter 3

A New Method for Introducing Some Active Methylene or Methine Groups to the 3-Position of Pyrrolidine or Piperidine Skeleton, and Its Application to Preparation of Key Intermediate for the ($\pm$)-Eburnamonine Synthesis

Abstract: A new method for introducing a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl or 2-oxopropyl group to the 3-position of pyrrolidine or piperidine skeleton has been exploited, and this method could be used in the synthesis of a key intermediate for the ($\pm$)-eburnamonine synthesis.

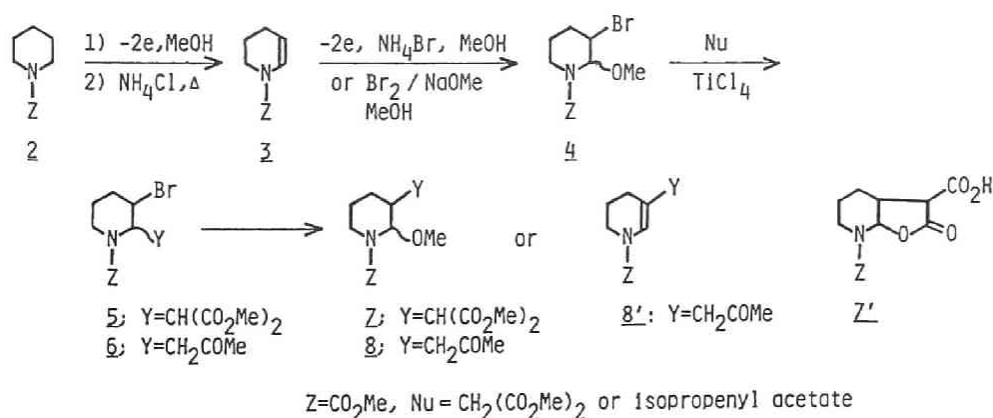
Introducing a variety of substituents to certain positions of pyrrolidine or piperidine skeleton is worthwhile in organic synthesis since substituted pyrrolidine or piperidine skeleton is found in many types of alkaloid.¹

In continuing our studies carried out from this standpoint,² we found a new method for the introduction of some active methylene or methine groups (Y) such as a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl or 2-oxopropyl group to the 3-position of pyrrolidine or piperidine skeleton and succeeded in its application to synthesis of 26, a key intermediate in the synthesis of ($\pm$)-eburnamonine 1,³ an indole alkaloid isolated from Hunteria eburnea Pichon.⁴

Our method for introducing Y group to the 3-position of piperidine skeleton is shown in scheme 1 which consists of the following four steps: (1) the synthesis of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydro-1-methoxycarbonylpyridine 3 from 1-

methoxycarbonylpiperidine 2, (2) the bromomethoxylation of 3 yielding 3-bromo-2-methoxy-1-methoxycarbonylpiperidine 4, (3) the introduction of Y group to the 2-position of 4 affording 2-Y-3-bromo-1-methoxycarbonylpiperidine 5 or 6, and (4) the base treatment of 5 or 6 giving piperidine derivatives 7 or 8 bearing a substituent Y at the 3-position.

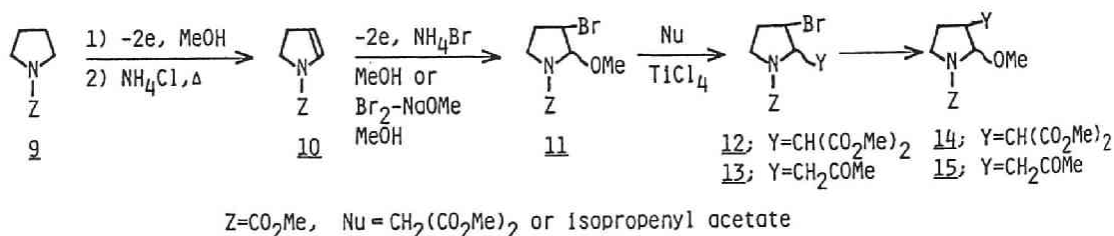
The experimental procedures of these steps were very simple as described below. The preparation of 4 from 2 has already been reported (3^{2b, c}, 83% yield from 2 : 4^{2d}, 81% yield from 3).⁵ Subsequent introduction of Y group to the 2-position of 4 was achievable according to our reported method.^{2a} That is a solution of 4 in CH₂Cl₂ and a solution of a mixture of dimethyl malonate (1.5 equiv.) and Et₃N (1.5 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ were successively added into a solution of TiCl₄ (1.0 equiv.) in CH₂Cl₂ at -78 °C, and then the resulting solution was warmed to room temperature. The usual workup gave 5 in 75 % yield. Compound 6 was obtained in 78% yield by the reaction of 4 with isopropenyl acetate (1.5 equiv.) in the presence of TiCl₄ (1.0 equiv.).



Scheme 1

The final step was the rearrangement of the substituent Y from the 2-position to the 3-position. The rearrangement of 5 yielding 7 was found to be easily achieved by treating 5 with NaOMe (1.2 equiv.) in methanol. Similar treatment of 5 with aqueous methanol containing KOH gave an amino lactone 7'. On the other hand, the transformation of 6 to 8 required the treatment of 6 with NaOMe (1.2 equiv.) in methanol followed by acidifying the resulting solution with conc.HCl, and the compound 8' was obtained instead of 8.

Our method is also applicable to the introduction of Y group to the 3-position of pyrrolidine skeleton (Scheme 2). That is, compounds 14 and 15 were preparable from 9 from intermediates 10-13 which were formed by similar procedures to the preparation of 3-6 (10, 91% yield ^{2c}; 11, 42% yield ^{2d}; 12, 81% yield; 13, 82% yield).



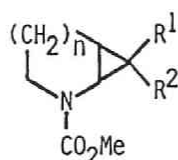
Scheme 2

The yields of 7, 7', 8', 14, and 15, and the reaction conditions for the rearrangement are summarized in Table 1.

Table 1. Rearrangement of 5, 6, 12, and 13 to 7, 7', 8', 14 and 15.

Substrate	Reaction conditions	Product	Isolated yield/%
<u>5</u>	NaOMe/MeOH, rt, 22h	<u>7</u>	59
<u>5</u>	NaOH/MeOH-H ₂ O(2:1), rt, 5h	<u>7'</u>	68
<u>6</u>	NaOMe/MeOH, rt, 15h, then conc HCl, rt, 18h	<u>8'</u>	72
<u>12</u>	NaOMe/MeOH, rt, 22h	<u>14</u>	82
<u>13</u>	NaOMe/MeOH, rt, 12h, then conc HCl, rt, 15h	<u>15</u>	48

The rearrangement of Y group from 2-position to 3-position in compounds 5, 6, 12, and 13 may proceed through the formation of cyclopropane intermediates 16-19. In fact, the formation of 18 or 19 was observed in the reaction of 6 or 13 with bases, whereas 16 or 17 was not detected in the reaction of 5 or 12 with bases.



16; n=1, R¹=R²=CO₂Me

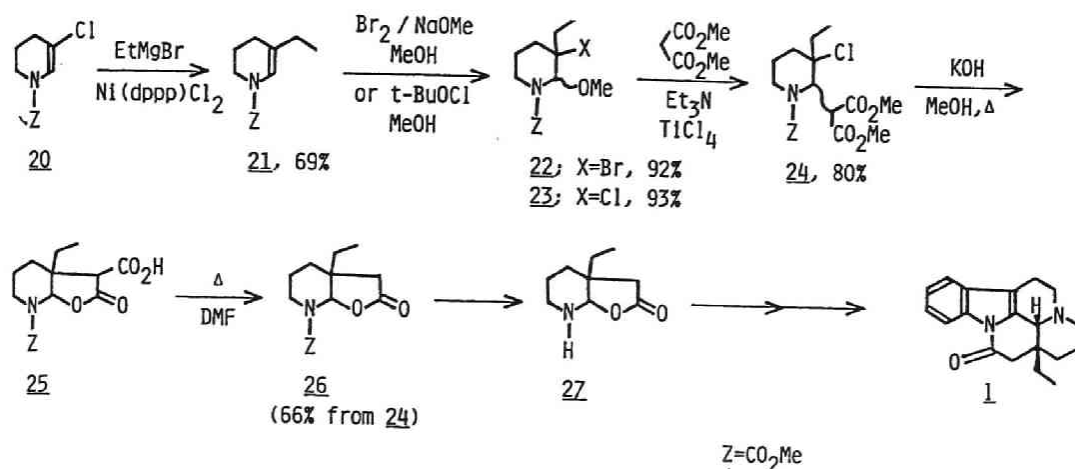
17; n=2, R¹=R²=CO₂Me

18; n=1, R¹=COMe, R²=H

19; n=2, R¹=COMe, R²=H

Among the products, the structure of 7' is interesting since it is similar to an amino lactone 27 which is a key intermediate in the synthesis of 1. Wenkert *et al.* have reported the synthesis of 27 using a cyclopropane intermediate prepared by copper catalyzed reaction of ethyl diazoacetate with 21.⁶ Ban *et al.* have synthesized 26 by utilizing anodic oxidation of 3-ethyl-3-carboxymethyl-1-methoxycarbonylpiperidine, and converted 26 to 1 through 27.⁷ More recently, Hanaoka *et al.* have also succeeded in the synthesis of 27 starting from 1,6-dihydro-3(2H)-pyridinone.³

Thus, our effort has been directed toward the application of our method to the synthesis of 27 (Scheme 3). The starting compound 21 was prepared in 69% yield by Ni-catalyzed reaction of 3-chloro-1-methoxycarbonyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine 20^{2d} with ethylmagnesium bromide.^{8, 9} The bromomethoxylation of 21 giving 22 was easily carried out by treating 21 with bromine in methanol containing NaOMe (1.1 equiv.) (92% yield). However, in contrast with the transformation of 4 to 5, introducing a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl group to the 2-position of 22 was unsuccessful possibly because of the steric constraint of substituents at the 3-position of 22. On the other hand, fortunately, chloromethoxylated compound 23, prepared by the reaction of 21 with *t*-butyl hypochlorite (1.2 equiv.) in methanol (93% yield), reacted with dimethyl malonate affording 24 (80% yield). Compound 24 was transformed to 25 on treatment with KOH (20 equiv.) in methanol for 20h at 65°C, and 25 was decarboxylated by heating 25 in DMF for 11h to give 26 (66% yield from 24). The hydrolysis of 26 giving 27 and the easy transformation of 27 to 1 have already been reported.^{3, 6, 7}



Scheme 3

Experimental Section

Starting materials 4,^{2c} 11,^{2c} and 20^{2d} were prepared according to our previously reported method.

Reaction of 4, 11, 22, and 23 with Nucleophiles. A general procedure is exemplified by the reaction of 4 with dimethyl malonate. Into a solution of TiCl_4 (0.66 mL, 6 mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (8 mL) was dropwise a solution 4 (1.34 g, 5.33 mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (8 mL) at -70°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After the solution was stirred at the temperature for 5 min, a solution of dimethyl malonate (0.91 mL, 8 mmol) and triethylamine (1.12 mL, 8 mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (8 mL) was added dropwise in a period of 10 min. The resulting mixture was stirred for 14 h and allowed to stand until it was warmed to room temperature. The reaction mixture was poured into water (20 mL) and stirred for 10 min. The organic layer was separated, and the aqueous layer was extracted

with CH_2Cl_2 (3x20mL). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) to afford 5 (1.41g, 75% yield).

The reaction of 4 and 11 with isopropenyl acetate as nucleophile did not use triethylamine.

5: IR (neat) 2970, 1760, 1740, 1710, 1450, 1415, 1300, 1270, 1155cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.30-1.70 (m, 1H), 1.72-2.15 (m, 3H), 2.50-3.20 (m, 1H), 3.55-4.30 (m, 2H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 3.61 (s, 3H), 3.77 (s, 3H), 4.25-4.50 (m, 1H), 4.80-5.15 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrNO}_6$: C, 40.93; H, 5.15; Br, 22.69; N, 3.98. Found: C, 40.92; H, 5.14; Br, 22.84; N, 3.82.

6: IR (neat) 2950, 2860, 1700, 1450, 1410, 1270, 1120, 1050, 760cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.25-1.73 (m, 1H), 1.80-2.15 (m, 3H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 2.65 (d, $J=7$ Hz, 2H), 2.50-3.20 (m, 1H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 3.87-4.30 (m, 2H), 4.56-4.90 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrNO}_3$: C, 43.18; H, 5.80; Br, 28.73; N, 5.04. Found: C, 43.34; H, 5.83; Br, 28.70; N, 5.23.

12: IR (neat) 2955, 1740, 1710, 1450, 1395, 1200, 1160cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.90-2.55 (m, 2H), 3.10-4.08 (m, 3H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 4.37-4.70 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrNO}_6$: C, 39.07; H, 4.77; Br, 23.63; N, 4.14. Found: C, 39.08; H, 4.72; Br, 23.68; N, 4.32.

13: IR (neat) 2950, 1700, 1450, 1380, 1120cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.13 (s, 3H), 2.03-2.50 (m, 2H), 2.53 (d, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 1H), 2.83 (d, $J=4\text{Hz}$, 1H), 3.30-3.75 (m, 2H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 4.12-4.43 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{14}\text{BrNO}_3$: C, 40.93; H, 5.34; Br, 30.25; N, 5.30. Found: C, 41.10; H, 5.38; Br, 30.10; N, 5.35.

24: IR (neat) 2960, 1760, 1740, 1705, 1450, 1280, 1140 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.80-2.30 (m, 9H), 2.40-3.10 (m, 1H), 3.40-4.25 (m, 2H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 4.95-5.35 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 337, 335.1163 (calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{22}\text{ClNO}_6$: 335.1136), 300, 299, 276, 232, 206, 204, 168 (base).

3-Ethyl-1-(methoxycarbonyl)-1,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (21). Into a solution of EtMgBr (59.3mmol) in dry ether (10mL) was added Ni(dppp)Cl_2 (0.16g, 0.30mmol) at 5°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After the solution was stirred at the temperature for 10min, a solution of 20 (5.21g, 29.7mmol) in dry ether (15mL) was added dropwise in a period of 10 min. After stirred for 6h, the reaction mixture was poured into dil. HCl and stirred for 15min. The organic layer was washed with sodium bicarbonate and dried over MgSO_4 . The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt :hexane=1:10) to afford 21 (3.46g, 69% yield).

Preparation of 22 and 23. Into a solution of 21 (0.24g, 1.43mmol) in MeOH (10mL) was added Na (0.04g, 1.57mmol). After the solution was stirred at the temperature for 10min, a solution of bromine (0.08mL, 1.57mmol) was added dropwise in a period of 10 min. After stirred for 30min, the reaction mixture was poured into aqueous $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ and stirred for 15min. The organic layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x15mL) and dried over MgSO_4 . The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt :hexane=1:10) to afford 22 (0.37g, 92% yield).

Similary the reaction of 21 with tert.-BuOCl gave 23.

22: IR (neat) 2970, 1710, 1455, 1418, 1290, 1205, 1168, 1083, 975 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.10 (t, $J=6.5\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.30-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.69-2.52 (m, 5H), 2.54-3.12 (m, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.55-4.31 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 5.13 and

5.33 (2s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_{18}BrNO_3$: C, 42.87; H, 6.48; Br, 28.52; N, 5.00. Found: C, 42.61; H, 6.36; Br, 28.48; N, 5.13.

23: NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.00 (t, $J=7$ Hz, 3H), 1.30-2.30 (m, 6H), 2.40-3.10 (m, 1H), 3.20 (s, 3H), 3.50-4.20 (m, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 4.95 and 5.13 (2s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_{18}ClNO_3$: C, 50.96; H, 7.70; Cl, 15.04; N, 5.94. Found: C, 50.91; H, 7.81; Cl, 15.07; N, 5.79.

Rearrangement of 5, 6, 12, 13, and 24. A general procedure is exemplified by preparation of 7. Into a solution of 5 (0.63g, 1.79mmol) in MeOH (8mL) was added Na (0.05g, 2.15mmol). After stirred for 22h, the reaction mixture was poured into water and the organic layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 . The extract was dried over $MgSO_4$ and the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:3) to afford 7 (0.32g, 59%).

7: IR (neat) 2950, 1760, 1735, 1705, 1440, 1265, 1155, 1080 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.20-1.80 (m, 4H), 1.90-2.45 (m, 1H), 2.50-3.00 (m, 1H), 3.12 and 3.20 (2s, 3H), 3.40-4.20 (m, 2H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 5.00 (br s, 0.4H), 5.23 (d, $J=3$ Hz, 0.6H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{13}H_{21}NO_7$: C, 51.48; H, 6.98; N, 4.62. Found: C, 51.23; H, 6.84; N, 4.69

After treatment of 6 with NaOMe, the reaction mixture was acidified with conc. HCl and stirred for 18h. The resulting reaction mixture was poured into aqueous $NaHCO_3$, and the similar procedure described above gave 8' in 72% yield.

8': IR (neat) 2960, 1710, 1680, 1450, 1400, 1320, 1265 cm^{-1} ; NMR(CCl_4)

δ 1.45-2.10 (m, 4H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 2.93 (br s, 2H), 3.30-3.70 (m, 2H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 6.60 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_{15}NO_3$: C, 60.90; H, 7.67; N, 7.10. Found: C, 60.92; H, 7.82; N, 6.88.

Compound 12 was transformed into a mixture of two stereoisomers 14a and 14b in 56% and 26% yields, respectively.

14a: IR (neat) 3060, 1755, 1740, 1710, 1450, 1400, 1380, 1280 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.60-2.15 (m, 2H), 2.20-2.80 (m, 1H), 3.23 and 3.30 (2s, 3H), 3.30-3.75 (m, 3H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 5.05 (d, $J=4Hz$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{19}NO_7$: C, 49.82; H, 6.62; N, 4.84. Found: C, 49.95; H, 6.56; N, 4.73.

14b: IR (neat) 2970, 1760, 1740, 1720, 1460, 1390, 1090 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.50-2.90 (m, 3H), 3.15-3.80 (m, 3H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 4.82 (s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{19}NO_7$: C, 49.82; H, 6.62; N, 4.84. Found: C, 49.68; H, 6.57; N, 5.10.

15: IR (neat) 2960, 1715, 1450, 1380, 1120, 1080 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.50-2.20 (m, 3H), 2.16 (s, 3H), 2.30-2.75 (m, 2H), 3.10-3.60 (m, 2H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 5.00 (d, $J=4Hz$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_{17}NO_4$: C, 55.80; H, 7.96; N, 6.51. Found: C, 55.91; H, 8.12; N, 6.44.

7': IR (neat) 3700-2600, 1790, 1730, 1460, 1360, 1180 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.07-2.30 (m, 4H), 2.50-3.16 (m, 2H), 3.35 (br s, 1H), 3.60-4.20 (m, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 6.45 (d, $J=4.5Hz$, 1H), 8.46 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_{13}NO_6$: C, 49.38; H, 5.39; N, 5.76. Found: C, 49.57; H, 5.32; N, 5.73.

After the solution of 24 (0.36g, 1.07mmol) and 85% KOH (1.32g, 20mmol) in MeOH (10mL) was refluxed for 20h, the reaction mixture was acidified with dil. HCl. The organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ and dried over MgSO₄. After the solvent was removed in vacuo, into the residue was added DMF (5mL). After the solution was heated at 90 °C for 11h, the solvent was removed. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford 26 (0.16g, 66%).

26: mp 66-67 °C (lit⁷ 66-67.5°C); IR (CDCl₃) 1770, 1710cm⁻¹; NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.93 (t, J=7Hz, 3H), 1.30-1.90 (m, 6H), 2.40 (d, J=4Hz, 2H), 2.70-3.20 (m, 1H), 3.35 (br s, 1H), 3.60-4.20 (m, 1H), 3.72 (s, 3H), 5.95 (br s, 1H).

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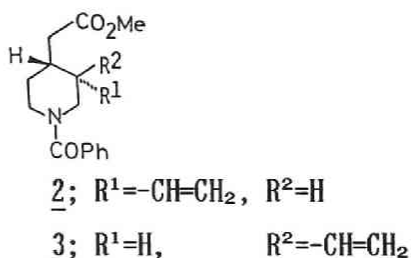
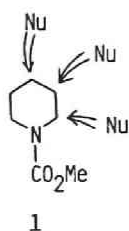
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Chapter 4-1

A New Method for Introducing A Bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl Group to 4-Position of Piperidine Skeleton, and Its Application to Synthesis of (±)-Meroquinene and (±)-Epimeroquinene Derivatives

Abstract: A new method for introducing a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl group to 4-position of piperidine skeleton was exploited, and this method was applied to the synthesis of (±)-meroquinene and (±)-epimeroquinene derivatives starting from 1-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine.

We have already exploited convenient methods for introducing various nucleophiles (Nu) to the unactivated 2- and/or 3-positions of 1-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (1) using anodic oxidation as a key reaction and synthesized some piperidine alkaloids.^{1, 2}

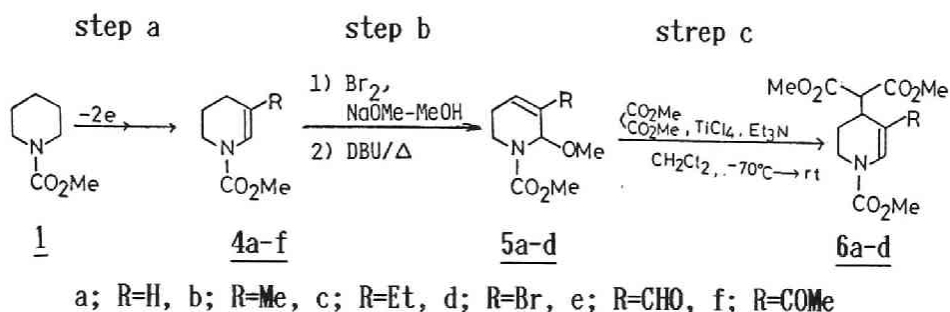


This chapter describes a new method for introducing a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl group to the 4-position of 1³ and its application to synthesis of (±)-meroquinene derivative 2⁴ and (±)-epimeroquinene derivative 3,⁵ synthetic key intermediates of (±)-quinine and (±)-ajmalicine, respectively.

Our method consists of three steps (a)-(c) which are shown in Scheme 1. Namely, 1 is transformed to 3-substituted enecarbamates 4 utilizing anodic

oxidation (step a), 4 is transformed into 3-substituted 2-methoxy-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyridines 5 (step b), and a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl group is introduced to the 4-position of 5 to afford 6 (step c).

Scheme 1



The detail of each step is as follows (Scheme 2): step a; Anodic oxidation of 1 in methanol followed by removal of methanol from the oxidized product 7 gave 4a.⁶ The Vilsmeier reaction or the Friedel-Crafts reaction to 4a afforded 4e,f,⁶ and then the reduction of 4e,f (5 mmol) with NaBH₄ (12.5 mmol) in acetic acid (10 mL) and a treatment of the products with CF₃SO₃H (0.5 mL), successively, gave 4b,c.⁷ 3-Bromo enecarbamate 4d was obtained by adding bromine (11 mmol) into a methanolic solution of 4a (10 mmol) and NaOMe (11 mmol) at room temperature followed by heating the product 8 in the presence of NH₄Cl⁸: step b; Addition of bromine (11 mmol) into a methanolic solution of 4a-d (10mmol) and NaOMe (11 mmol) at room temperature followed by treatment (90 °C, 1.5 h) with DBU (15 mmol) afforded 5⁹: step c; a solution of dimethyl malonate (15mmol) and triethylamine (10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15mL) was added dropwise into a solution of 5 (10mmol) and TiCl₄ (10 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (15 mL) at -70°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen and the resulting reaction mixture was gradually warmed to room temperature.

After the solution was stirred for 15 h, the usual working up gave 6.
Yields of 4-6 are shown in Table 1.

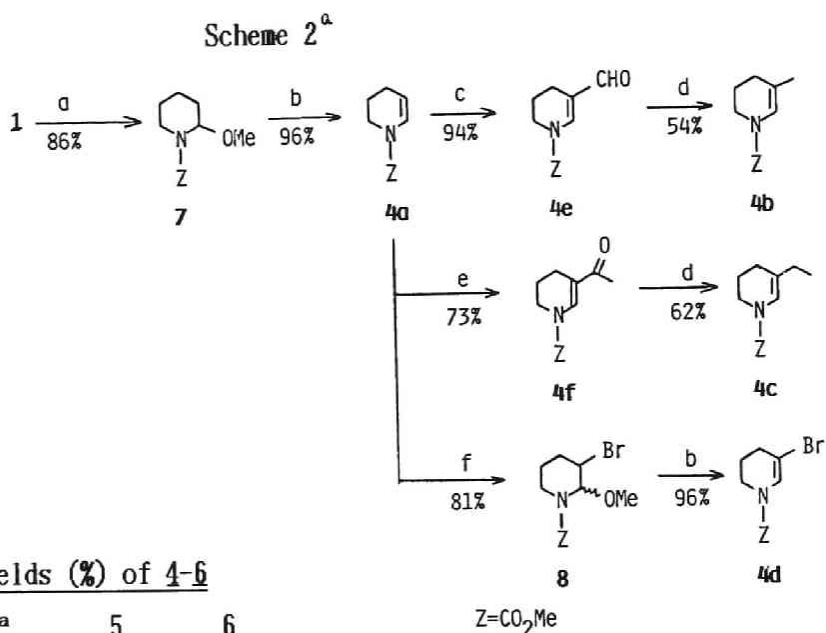


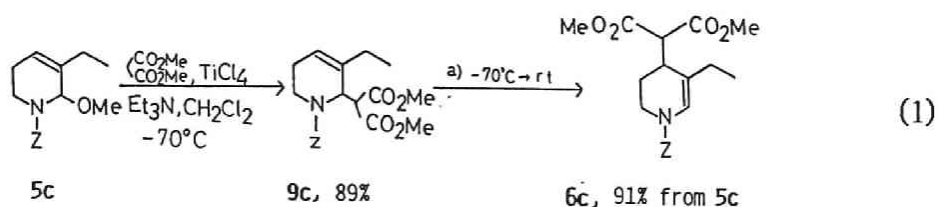
Table 1. Yields (%) of 4-6

	R	<u>4</u> ^a	<u>5</u>	<u>6</u>
a	H	83	58	6
d	Me	48	54	52
c	Et	33	73	91
d	Br	65	47	0

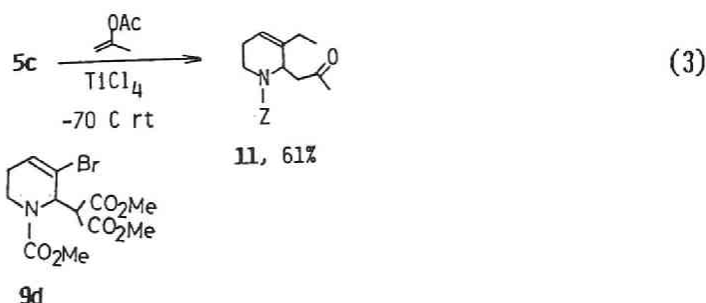
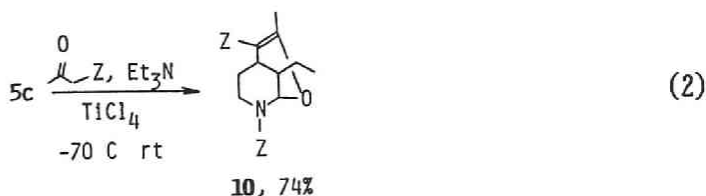
^a (a) -2e/MeOH; (b) NH₄Cl/Δ; (c) 1, DMF, POCl₃; 11, AcONa, H₂O; (d) 1, NaBH₄, AcOH; 11, CF₃SO₃H; (e) AcCl, SnCl₄; (f) Br₂, NaOMe-MeOH

^a Overall yield of 4 from 1.

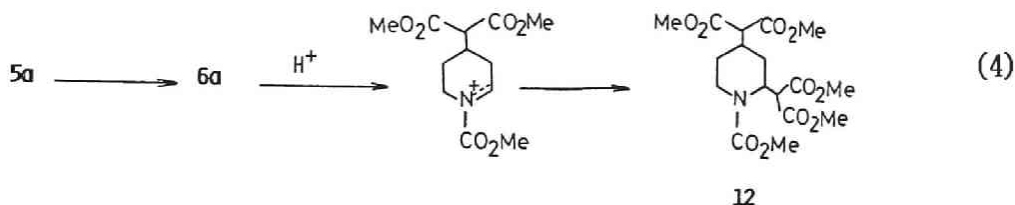
The reaction mechanism for alkylation of 5 at the 4-position with dimethyl malonate was scrutinized in the reaction of 5c with dimethyl malonate (eq 1). Namely, when the reaction was carried out at -70 °C, 9c was obtained in high yield. Furthermore, when the reaction mixture was warmed without isolation of 9c to room temperature, 6c was formed with disappearance of 9c. These results suggest that 9c is a kinetically controlled product and 6c is a thermodynamically controlled product.¹⁰



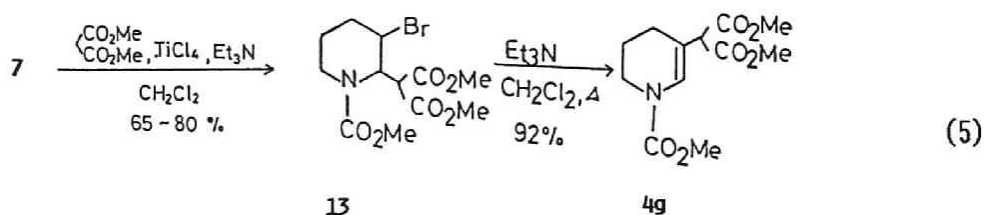
The formation of 6 seems to depend on the stability of Nu^- and/or the electronegativity of a substituent at 3-position of piperidine skeleton. Namely, while using methyl acetoacetate as Nu afforded bicyclic compound 10 (eq 2), isopropenyl acetate as Nu gave 2-substituted compound 11 (eq 3). Also, the reaction of dimethyl malonate with 5f possessing a bromo substituent at the 3-position gave 2-substituted product 9d (79%).



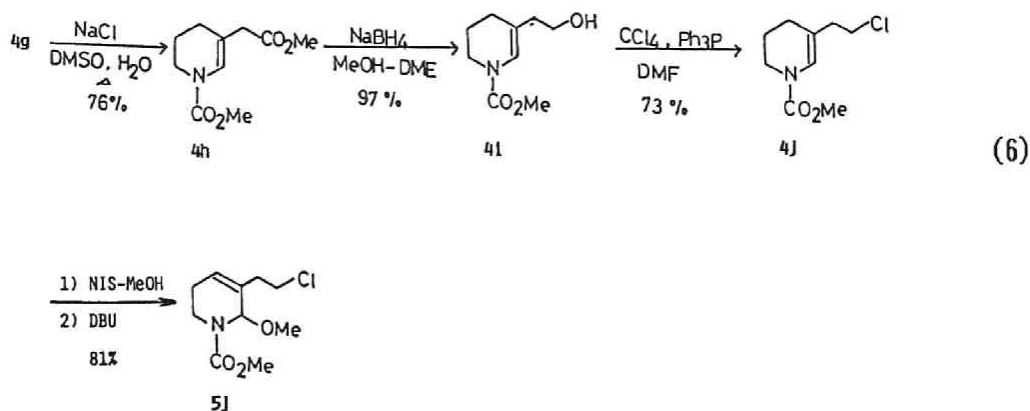
In the case of 5a in which a substituent at the 3-position is a hydrogen, the initially formed 4-substituted product 6a was easily protonated at the uncrowded 3-position and thus 2,4-disubstituted compound 12 (54%) was obtained as main product (eq 4).



Next, our effort has been directed toward a synthesis of 2 and 3 using our method. A preparation of starting material 5j¹¹ was carried out by the method described bellow. Compound 4g was prepared according to our previously reporeted method in which a bis(methoxycarbonyl)methyl group could be introduced into 3-position of piperidine skeleton (eq 5).²

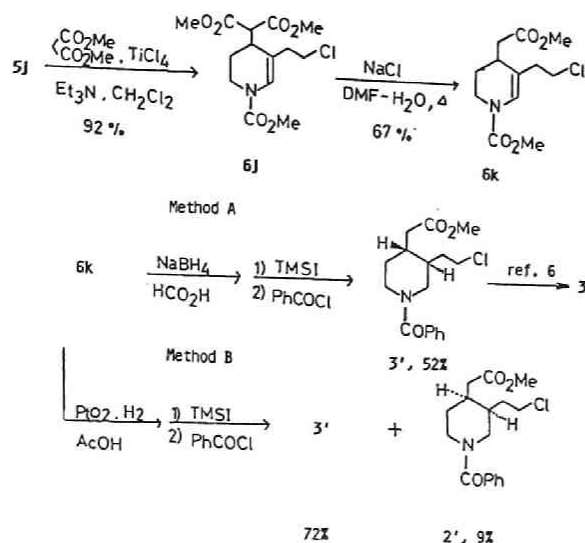


Demethoxycarbonylation of 4g and reduction of the product 4h gave 4i, which was transformed into 3-(2-chloroethyl)enecarbamate 4j. Then, iodomethoxylation¹² of 4j and dehydroiodination, successively, gave 5j (eq 6).

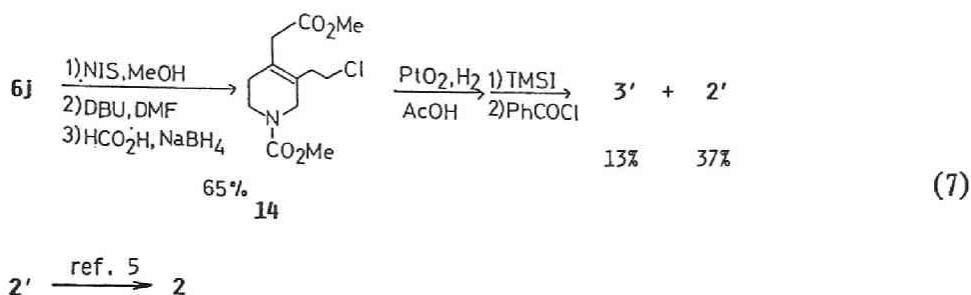


The reaction of 5j with dimethyl malonate gave 6j in excellent yield. Decarboxylation of 6j gave 6k. By the reduction of 6k with NaBH₄ and successive 1-benzoylation (Method A) was obtained only trans-isomer 3'. Similarly the reduction of 6i with hydrogen (Method B) was yielded mainly trans-isomer (Scheme 3).

Scheme 3



To obtain selectively, 2' was thought to be needed the migration of unsaturated bond. In fact, compound 14 was hydrogenated to yield mainly 2' (eq 7). The easy transformation of 2' and 3' into 2 and 3, respectively, have already been reported.^{4, 5, 13}



Experimental Section

Materials 4a,e,f,⁶ 4d,⁸ 5a,⁹ and 13² were prepared by our previously

reported methods.

Preparation of 3-Alkylated Enecarbamates 4b and 4c. A general procedure is exemplified by preparation of 4c. Into a solution of 4f (0.82g, 4.5mmol) in acetic acid (20mL) was added in portions 90% NaBH₄ (2.54g, 67 mmol). After stirred at room temperature for 3h, into the solution was poured water (30mL). The organic layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x30mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane= 1:10) to afford 4c (0.37g, 52%).⁸

Similarly 4b⁷ was prepared from 4e in 62% yield.

Bromomethoxylation¹⁰ and dehydrobromination¹⁰ was carried out according to known methods.

5b: IR (neat) 2940, 1705, 1440, 1200, 1180, 1080, 1060 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.30-2.20 (m, 5H), 2.55-3.35 (m, 1H), 3.17 (s, 3H), 3.53 (s, 3H), 4.90 (br s, 1H), 5.30 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 185.1067 (M⁺, calcd for C₉H₁₅NO₃: 185.1052), 170, 155, 154 (base).

5c: IR (neat) 2940, 1710, 1450, 1342, 1208, 1075, 970, 772cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.01 (t, J=6.5Hz, 3H), 1.50-2.59 (m, 4H), 2.67-3.40 (m, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.48-4.20 (m, 1H) 3.60 (s, 3H), 5.06 (br s, 1H), 5.27-5.57 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₁₇NO₃: C, 60.28; H, 8.60; N, 7.03. Found: C, 60.33; H, 8.73; N, 6.98.

5d: NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.80-2.40 (m, 2H), 3.35 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 5.72 (br s, 1H), 6.07-6.27 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₂BrNO₃: C, 38.42; H,

4.84; Br, 31.95; N, 5.60. Found: C, 38.45; H, 4.88; Br, 32.19; N, 5.62.

TiCl₄-Catalyzed C-C Bond Formation. A General Procedure. Into a solution of TiCl₄ (1.4mL, 12.6mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (10mL) was added dropwise a solution of 5c (2.5g, 12.5mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (15mL) at -70°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After stirred for 10min at the temperature, into the solution was added dropwise a solution of dimethyl malonate (2.1mL, 18.8mmol) and triethylamine (1.4mL, 12.5mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (10mL). The resulting reaction mixture was stirred for 15h until it was warmed to room temperature. The solution was poured into water (25mL) and stirred for 10 min. The organic layer was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x20mL). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford 6c (3.4g, 91%). Similarly 6a, b, 9d, 10, 11, and 12 were obtained. On the other hand, in order to obtain 9c from 6c was carried out this reaction at -70°C for 1h.

6c: IR (neat) 2960, 1750, 1710, 1665, 1445, 1320, 1295cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.00 (t, J=7Hz, 3H), 1.70-2.20 (m, 4H), 2.75-3.05 (m, 1H), 3.15-3.65 (m, 3H), 3.69 (m, 9H), 6.57 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₁NO₆: C, 56.18; H, 7.07; N, 4.68. Found: C, 55.93; H, 7.30; N, 4.43.

6a: IR (neat) 2975, 1760, 1740, 1720, 1660, 1450, 1200cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.35-2.35 (m, 2H), 2.50-4.05 (m, 4H), 3.68 (s, 9H), 4.45-4.82 (m, 1H), 6.55-6.90 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 271.1054 (M⁺, calcd for C₁₂H₁₇NO₆: 271.1056), 212, 140 (base).

6b: IR (neat) 2960, 1760, 1740, 1710, 1670, 1450 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ

1.75 (br s, 3H), 1.80-2.05 (m, 2H), 2.65-3.05 (m, 1H), 3.35-3.70 (m, 3H), 3.70 (s, 9H), 6.60 (br s, 1H). Anal Calcd for $C_{13}H_{19}NO_6$: C, 54.73; H, 6.71; N, 4.91. Found: C, 54.68; H, 6.71; N, 4.78.

9c: IR (neat) 2969, 1760, 1670, 1445, 1300, 1200, 1160cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.03 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.60-2.30 (m, 4H), 2.70-4.23 (m, 4H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 5.05 (br d, $J=6\text{H}$, 1H), 5.43 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{14}H_{21}NO_6$: C, 56.18; H, 7.07; N, 4.68. Found: C, 55.99; H, 7.04; N, 4.73.

9d: IR (neat) 2965, 1745, 1715, 1658, 1450, 1292cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) 2.00-2.48 (m, 2H), 2.85-3.60 (m, 1H), 3.60-4.30 (m, 4H), 3.67 (s, 9H), 5.05-5.30 (m, 1H), 6.07-6.45 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{16}\text{BrNO}_6$: C, 41.16; H, 4.61; Br, 22.82; N, 4.00. Found: C, 40.91; H, 4.62; Br, 23.10; N, 4.12.

10: IR (neat) 2960, 1760, 1740, 1670, 1445, 1300, 1200, 1160cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.80-2.05 (m, 3H), 2.26 (s, 3H), 2.60-3.06 (m, 1H), 3.60-4.10 (m, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 5.75-6.10 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{14}H_{21}NO_6$: C, 59.35; H, 7.47; N, 4.94. Found: C, 59.24; H, 7.52; N, 4.87.

11: IR (neat) 2980, 1720, 1708, 1675, 1455cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.06 (br s, 3H), 1.64-3.20 (m, 5H), 2.12 (s, 3H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.70-4.22 (m, 1H), 4.50-4.85 (m, 1H), 5.40 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 225.1369 (M^+ , calcd for $C_{12}H_{19}NO_3$: 225.1365), 168 (base), 166.

12: IR (neat) 2970, 1760, 1740, 1705, 1455, 1280, 1200, 1030cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.90-2.50 (m, 4H), 2.70-4.40 (m, 5H), 3.53, 3.63, and 3.69 (3s,

15H), 4.60-5.05 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{17}H_{25}NO_{10}$: C, 50.62; H, 6.25; N, 3.47. Found: C, 50.39; H, 6.19; N, 3.50.

Preparation of 4g. After the solution of 13 (4.28g, 12.2mmol) and triethylamine in CH_2Cl_2 (14mL) was refluxed for 22h, the reaction mixture was poured into water. The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 and the solvent was dried over $MgSO_4$. After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) to afford 4g (3.04g, 92%): IR (neat) 2970, 1760, 1740, 1720, 1670, 1450, 1270, $1200cm^{-1}$; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.50-2.30 (m, 4H), 3.40-4.00 (m, 3H), 3.69 (s, 9H), 6.68 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{12}H_{17}NO_6$: C, 53.13; H, 6.32; N, 5.16. Found: C, 52.84; H, 6.35; N, 5.09.

Demethoxycarbonylation of 4g. The solution of 4g (6.01g, 22.2mmol), NaCl (1.66g, 28.4mmol), and water (1.6mL, 89mmol) in DMSO (32mL) was heated at 170°C for 7h. After the solution was cooled down to room temperature, it was poured into water. The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 and dried over $MgSO_4$. After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford 4h (3.61g, 76%): IR (neat) 2960, 1740, 1720, 1710, 1670, 1445, 1400, 1260, $1200cm^{-1}$; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.60-2.23 (m, 4H), 2.90 (br s, 2H), 3.40-3.60 (m, 2H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 6.65 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_{15}NO_4$: C, 56.33; H, 7.09; N, 6.57. Found: C, 56.25; H, 7.26; N, 6.53.

3-(2-Hydroxyethyl)-1-methoxycarbonyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (4i). Into a solution of 4h (3.6g, 16.9mmol) in DME (1mL) and MeOH (2.5mL) was added in portions 90% $NaBH_4$ (1.28g, 23.9mmol). After the reaction mixture was stirred at room temperature for 18h, it was poured into water (10mL).

The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x20mL) and dried over MgSO_4 . After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:2) to afford 4i (2.84g, 91%): IR (neat) 3450, 2950, 2900, 1710, 1700, 1680, 1460, 1400cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.55-2.30 (m, 6H), 3.35-3.70 (m, 5H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 6.57 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_3$: C, 58.36; H, 8.16; N, 7.56. Found: C, 58.08; H, 8.46; N, 7.36.

3-(2-Chloroethyl)-1-methoxycarbonyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (4j).

A solution of 4i (0.7g, 3.8mmol), CCl_4 (0.42mL, 4.38mmol), and triphenylphosphine (1.14g, 4.38mmol) in DMF (10mL) was stirred at room temperature for 14h. After it was poured into water (15mL), the organic portion was extracted with ether (3x25mL). The solvent was dried over MgSO_4 and removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:3) to afford 4j (0.56g, 73%): IR (neat) 2960, 2880, 1720, 1710, 1670, 1445, 1400 , 1320 , 1260 , 1195cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.60-2.20 (m, 4H), 2.30 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.35-3.70 (m, 4H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 6.65 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{14}\text{ClNO}_2$: C, 53.08; H, 6.93; Cl, 17.41; N, 6.88. Found: C, 52.86; H, 7.13; Cl, 17.14; N, 6.83.

3-(2-Chloroethyl)-2-methoxy-1-methoxycarbonyl-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (5j). Into a solution of 4j (0.19g, 0.93mmol) in methanol (8mL) was added NIS (0.31g, 1.4mmol). After stirred for 0.5h, it was poured into aqueous Na_2SO_3 (15mL). After the organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x15mL), the solution was dried over MgSO_4 . The solvent was removed in vacuo. The solution of DBU (0.15mL, 1.03mmol) and the residue in DMF (18mL) was stirred at room temperature for 13h. The resulting reaction mixture was poured into water (30mL) and the organic portion was extracted with ether (3x30mL). It was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in

vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford 5j (0.18g, 81%): IR (neat) 3010, 2950, 1715, 1680, 1475, 1450, 1210, 1085, 1065 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.90-2.30 (m, 2H), 2.45 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 2.70-3.15 (m, 1H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.20-3.70 (m, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.70-4.10 (m, 1H), 5.17 (br s, 1H), 5.65 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{ClNO}_3$: C, 51.40; H, 6.90; Cl, 15.17; N, 5.99. Found: C, 51.33; H, 7.17; Cl, 14.88; N, 6.03.

4-Bis(methoxycarbonyl)-3-(2-chloroethyl)-methoxycarbonyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (6j) was prepared by the reaction of 5j with dimethyl malonate according to the general procedure described above: IR (neat) 2950, 1750, 1735, 1710, 1660, 1445, 1300, 1195 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.65-2.05 (m, 2H), 2.10-2.60 (m, 2H), 2.75-3.13 (m, 1H), 3.30-3.85 (m, 5H), 3.72 (s, 9H), 6.78 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 333.0976 (M^+ , calcd for $\text{C}_{14}\text{H}_{20}\text{ClNO}_6$: 333.0979), 284, 204, 202 (base).

4-(Methoxycarbonyl)methyl-3-(2-chloroethyl)-1-methoxycarbonyl-1,4,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (6k). A solution of 6j (0.302g, 0.906mmol), NaCl (0.082g, 1.4mmol), and water (0.079mL, 4.37mmol) in DMF (3mL) was refluxed for 2.8 h. After the reaction mixture was poured into water (10mL), the organic portion was extracted with ether (3x15mL). It was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford 6k (0.167g, 67%): IR (neat) 2960, 1740, 1715, 1670, 1450, 1400, 1200, 770 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.55-1.95 (m, 2H), 2.10-2.75 (m, 4H), 3.00-3.90 (m, 5H), 3.56 (s, 3H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 6.60 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClNO}_4$: C, 52.28; H, 6.58; Cl, 12.86; N, 5.08. Found: C, 52.45; H, 6.63; Cl, 12.63; N, 5.09.

trans-1-Benzoyl-3-(2-chloroethyl)-4-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (3').

Method A. Into a solution of 6k (0.099g, 0.36mmol) in formic acid (4mL) was added in portions 90% NaBH₄ (0.27g, 7.19mmol). After stirred for 0.5h, the reaction mixture was poured into aqueous NaHCO₃ (15mL). The organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x15mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After the solvent removed in vacuo, into a solution of the residue in CHCl₃ (3mL) was added iodotrimethylsilane (0.077mL, 0.54mmol). After the reaction mixture was heated at 50°C for 1h, it was cooled down to room temperature. Into it was added MeOH (2mL) and stirred 0.5h. Into it was added aqueous K₂CO₃ (10mL) and benzoyl chloride (0.04mL, 0.36mmol) and stirred for 6h. Into the resulting reaction mixture was poured water (10mL) and the organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x10mL). The extract was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:3) to afford 3' (0.058g, 52%).⁵

Metod B. A solution of 6k (0.26g, 0.94mmol) in acetic acid (5mL) containing cat.amt. of PtO₂ was stirred under hydrogen atmosphere (10kg/cm²) at room temperature. After stirred for 20h, the treatment similar to Method A afforded 2' (0.027g, 9%)⁴ and 3' (0.22g, 72%).

3-(2-Chloroethyl)-1-(methoxycarbonyl)-4-(methoxycarbonyl)methyl-1,2,5,6-tetrahydropyridine (14). Into a solution of 6j (0.465g, 1.69mmol) in methanol (5 mL) was added NIS (0.417g, 1.85mmol). After stirred for 1h, it was poured into aqueous Na₂SO₃ (10mL). After the organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x15mL), the solution was dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo. The solution OF DBU (0.15mL, 1.03mmol) and the residue in DMF (18mL) was stirred at room temperature for 13h. The resulting reaction mixture was poured into water (30mL) and the organic

portion was extracted with ether (3x30mL). It was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo. Into a solution of the residue in formic acid (8mL) was added a portion 90% NaBH_4 (0.32g, 8.4mmol). After stirred for 0.5h, the reaction mixture was poured into aqueous NaHCO_3 (15mL). The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x15mL) and dried over MgSO_4 . After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt :hexane=1:4) to afford 14 (0.303g, 65%): IR (neat) 2960, 1740, 1705, 1450, 1250 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.95-2.35 (m, 2H), 2.52 (br t, J =8Hz, 2H), 3.05 (br s, 2H), 3.30-3.70 (m, 4H), 3.65 (s, 6H), 3.70-3.97 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{18}\text{ClNO}_4$: C, 52.28; H, 6.58; Cl, 12.86; N, 5.08. Found: C, 52.20; H, 6.69; Cl, 12.67; N, 5.00.

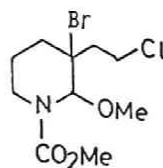
cis-1-Benzoyl-3-(2-chloroethyl)-4-(methoxycarbonyl)piperidine (2').

The procedure similar to Method B gave 2' (37%) and 3' (13%).

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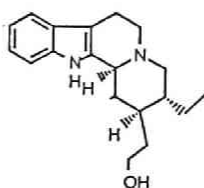
An Approach to Synthesis of (-)-Dihydrocorynantheol from L-Lysine Using Anodic Oxidation.

Abstract: A key intermediate for the (-)-Dihydrocorynantheol synthesis was prepared with high optical purity by utilizing stereoselective introducing carbon chain into the 2-, 4-, and 5-position of anodically prepared pipercolinic acid derivative from L-lysine.

Synthesis of optically active piperidine alkaloids from L-lysine is particularly interesting since the piperidine skeleton found in some natural piperidine alkaloids has been known to be formed from L-lysine.¹

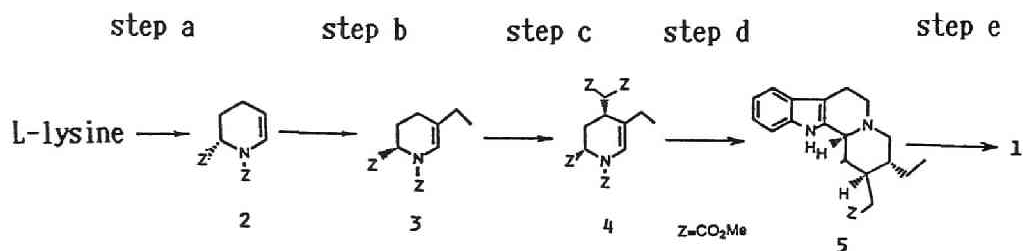
In this viewpoint we have synthesized optically active piperidine alkaloids from L-lysine using anodic oxidation as key reactions.²

This paper describes a synthesis of (-)-dihydrocorynantheol (1), which was first isolated from Aspidosperma marcgravianum.^{3, 4} Our synthetic route is shown in Scheme 1, which contains two our previously reported methods. Namely, one is the anodic transformation of L-lysine to optically active pipercolinic acid.⁵ The other is an introducing carbon chain into the 3- and /or 4-position of piperidine skeleton.⁶



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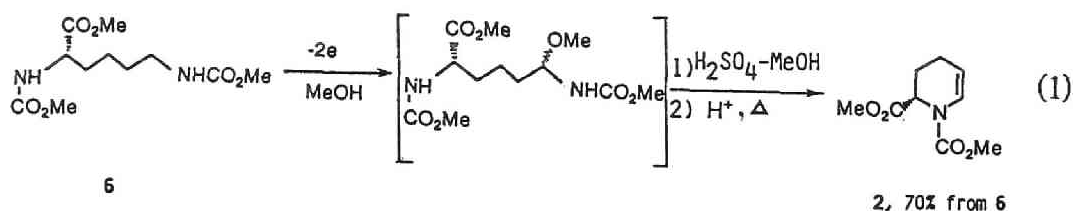
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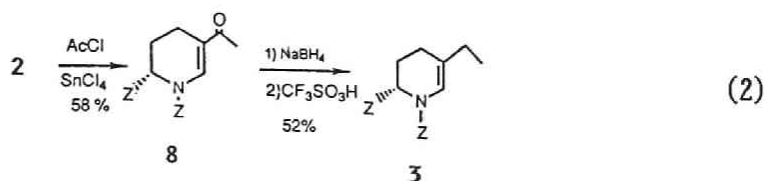
This route consists of four steps: step a; Pipecolinic acid derivatives 2 was prepared by anodic oxidation of L-lysine derivatives and treatment of the product with acid: step b; Introduction of ethyl group of into the 5-position of 2: step c; Introduction of bis(methoxycarbonyl)-methyl group into the 4-position of 3: step d; Condensation of 4 with tryptophyl bromide: step e; Transformation of 5 into 1.

The details of each step is described below.

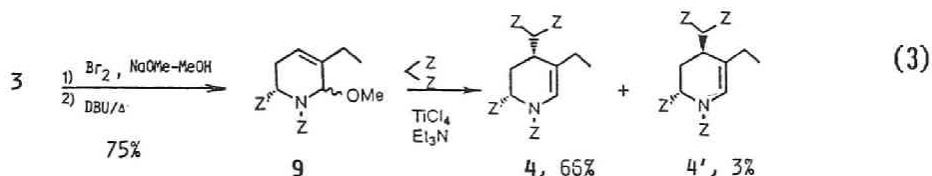
step a. The content of this step was reported by us (eq 1).⁴



step b. Friedel-Crafts reaction of 2 with acetyl chloride gave 5-acetylated product 7 in 58% yield,⁷ which was transformed into 5-ethyl compound 3 by the reduction of 2 with NaBH_4 in acetic acid and the treatment of the product with $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ in 52% yield (eq 2).

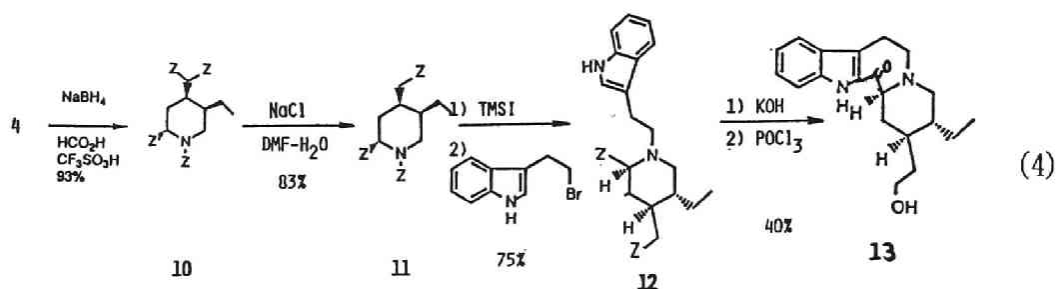


step c. Bromomethoxylation of 3 and followed by base treatment of the product afforded 9 (75% yield from 3).⁶ Then, by TiCl_4 -catalyzed condensation of 9 with dimethyl malonate was obtained cis-4-substituted compound 4 (66% yield) together with small amount of trans-isomer 4' (3% yield) (eq 3).⁶ The ratio of 4 and 4' (96:4) was measured by separation with column chromatography.

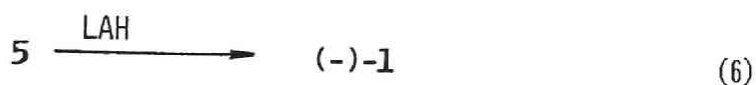


step d. Reduction of 4 with NaBH_4 in acidic solvent gave (2S,4S,5R)-1,2,4,5-tetrasubstituted piperidine derivative 10 in 93% yield, which was transformed into 11 by the demethoxycarbonylation in 83% yield. Transformation of 1-methoxycarbonyl group of 11 into tryptophyl group gave 12 in 75% yield. By hydrolysis of 12 and followed by the treatment with POCl_3 , however, was obtained 13 in 40% yield (eq 4) instead of 5.⁹ On the other hand, the hydrogenation of 4 afforded (2S,4R,5R)-isomer 13 (eq 5). This compound may be a important precursor for syntheses of hetero-

reserpine alkaloids.



step e. The reduction of 5 with LAH may afford (-)-1 (eq 6).



In conclusion, anodically prepared pipecolic acid derivative from L-lysine was transformed into a key intermediate for the (-)-dihydro-corynantheol synthesis with high optical purity. This method will be effective in the synthesis of various optically active piperidine alkaloids.

Experimental Section

Compound 2 was prepared according to our previously reported method.⁴

Acetylation of 2. Into a solution of AcCl (12.2mL, 172mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (30mL) was added dropwise a solution of SnCl₄ (8.1mL, 69mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (30mL) at -70°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After stirring for 10min, into the reaction mixture was added dropwise a solution of 2 (6.84g, 34.4mmol) in dry CH₂Cl₂ (30mL). After the solution was gradually warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. The mixture was poured into cold water (50mL) and the organic layer was separated. The solution was washed with aq. Na₂CO₃ (50mL) and dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:2) to afford 8 in 58% yield: IR (neat) 2975, 1740, 1660, 1640, 1448, 1255, 1200 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.57-2.77 (m, 4H), 2.24 (s, 3H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 3.86 (s, 3H), 4.77 (br s, 1H), 7.90 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 241 (M⁺), 226, 182 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 241.0950, found 241.0930.

Preparation of 3. Into a solution of 8 (0.64g, 2.66mmol) in HCO₂H (20 mL) was added, in portions, 90% NaBH₄ (0.892g, 21.2mmol). After stirring for 1h, into the solution was added water (20mL). The product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x30mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After the solvent was removed in vacuo, into the residue was added CF₃SO₃H (0.1mL). After stirring for 1h, into the solution was poured water (20mL). The product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x 30mL) and dried over MgSO₄. After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) to afford 3 (0.311g, 52%): IR (neat) 2980, 1760, 1720, 1685, 1455, 800, 745 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.01 (t, J=7.5Hz, 3H), 1.70-2.50 (m, 6H), 3.63 (s, 3H),

3.68 (s, 3H), 4.50–4.80 (m, 1H), 6.50 (br d, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_4$: C, 58.14; H, 7.54; N, 6.14. Found: C, 58.08; H, 7.73; N, 6.22.

Preparation of 9. Into a solution of 3 (1.213g, 5.34mmol) and Na (0.15g, 6.41mmol) in MeOH (15mL) was added dropwise bromine (0.33mL, 6.41mmol). After stirring for 10min, into the solution was poured aq. $\text{Na}_2\text{S}_2\text{O}_3$ (20mL). The product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x20mL) and dried over MgSO_4 . After the solvent was removed in vacuo, a solution of the residue and DBU (1.6mL, 10.7mmol) in DMF (5mL) was heated (95 °C) for 2h. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford 9 (1.029g, 75%): IR (neat) 2952, 1748, 1710, 1444, 1310, 1208, 1070cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.01 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.50–2.70 (m, 4H), 3.30 (br s, 3H), 3.67, 3.70, and 3.74 (3s, 6H), 4.60–5.70 (m, 3H); MS, m/e 257.1278 (calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_5$: 257.1263), 226, 198, 166 (base).

TiCl₄-Catalyzed Condensation. Into a solution of TiCl_4 (1.13mL, 10.3mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (10mL) was added dropwise a solution of 9 (1.758g, 6.84mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (10mL) at -70 °C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After stirring for 10min, into the solution was added dropwise a solution of dimethyl malonate (1.17mL, 10.2mmol) and Et_3N (1.43mL, 10.3mmol) in dry CH_2Cl_2 (10mL). After the solution was gradually warmed to room temperature and stirred overnight. Into the mixture was poured water (20mL) and the organic layer was separated. The aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (2x20mL). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 . After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:4) to afford 4 (1.608g) and 4' (0.075g) in 66% and 3% yields, respectively.

4 (less polar isomer): IR (neat) 2970, 1760, 1740, 1725, 1452, 1215 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.98 (br t, $\underline{J}$ =7Hz, 3H), 1.70-3.30 (m, 6H), 3.62 (s, 12H), 4.20-4.80 (m, 1H), 6.60 (br d, $\underline{J}$ =7.5Hz, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{23}\text{NO}_8$: C, 53.78; H, 6.49; N, 3.92. Found: C, 53.98; H, 6.45; N, 3.70.

4' (polar isomer): IR (neat) 2975, 1740, 1720, 1450, 1200 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.07 (br t, $\underline{J}$ =7Hz, 3H), 1.70-3.30 (m, 4H), 1.80 (br s, 2H), 3.57, 3.63, and 3.70 (3s, 12H), 4.50-4.75 (m, 1H), 6.65 (br d, $\underline{J}$ =7Hz, 1H).

Reduction of 4. Into a solution of 4 (0.707g, 1.98mmol) in HCO_2H (10 mL) and $\text{CF}_3\text{SO}_3\text{H}$ (0.5mL) was added, in portions, 90% NaBH_4 (0.25g, 5.94mmol). After stirring for 2h, into the solution was poured water (15mL). The product was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x20mL). The solution was dried over MgSO_4 and the solution was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt :hexane=1:2) to afford 10 (0.663g, 83% yield): IR (neat) 2960, 2930, 1740, 1705, 1450, 1245, 1200, 1015 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.93 (t, $\underline{J}$ =4.5Hz, 3H), 1.00-2.25 (m, 6H), 2.90-5.00 (m, 4H), 3.70 (s, 12H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{16}\text{H}_{25}\text{NO}_8$: C, 53.47; H, 7.01; N, 3.90. Found: C, 53.69; H, 6.99; N, 3.67.

Catalytic Hydrogenation of 4. A mixture of 4 and a catalytic amount of PtO_2 in acetic acid was stirred overnight at room temperature under an atmosphere of hydrogen (1atm). After the catalyst and the solvent was removed to afford 14: IR (neat) 2980, 1744, 1715, 1452, 1202 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.73-2.05 (m, 9H), 2.80-4.00 (m, 3H), 3.60 (s, 6H), 3.64 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 4.68 (br d, $\underline{J}$ =10H, 1H).

Demethoxycarbonylation of 10. A solution of 2 (0.798g, 2.22mmol), NaCl (0.2g, 3.33mmol), and water (0.2mL) in DMF (10mL) was heated (150 °C). After 7h, into the solution was poured water (20mL). The product was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x30mL). The solution was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=1:2) to afford 11 (0.558g, 83% yield): IR (neat) 2970, 1742, 1710, 1450cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 0.94 (br t, J=5Hz, 3H), 1.10-3.40 (m, 9H), 3.61 and 3.67 (2s, 9H), 3.70-4.93 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₃NO₆: C, 55.80; H, 7.69; N, 4.65. Found: C, 56.01; H, 7.75; N, 4.60.

Preparation of 12. A solution of 11 (0.558g, 1.85mmol) and TMSI (0.5mL, 3.51mmol) in CHCl₃ (10mL) was heated (50°C). After 4.5h, into the solution was poured MeOH (5mL) at room temperature. After stirred for 30min, water (10mL) was poured into the reaction mixture. The organic portion was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (2x10mL). The combined organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and the solution was removed in vacuo. A solution of the residue, tryptophle bromide (0.6g, 2.68mmol), and NaHCO₃ (0.78g, 9.29mmol) in CH₃CN (10mL) was stirred for 18h. After water (20mL) was poured into the reaction mixture, the product was extracted with AcOEt (3x30mL). The solution was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on alumina (CHCl₃:MeOH=10:1) to afford 12 (0.535g, 75% yield): IR (neat) 3400, 2950, 1740, 1620, 1460, 1438, 1200, 1165, 740cm⁻¹; NMR (CDCl₃) δ 0.70-3.40 (m, 18H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 3.66 (s, 3H), 6.83-7.59 (m, 4H), 8.10 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 386 (M⁺), 327, 314, 257, 257 (base); exact mass calcd m/e 386.2205, found 386.2175.

Preparation of 13. A solution of 12 (0.252g, 0.65mmol) and KOH (0.21g, 3.25mmol) in MeOH (10mL) and water (10mL) was heated at 60°C. After 7h,

dil. HCl was poured into the solution in order to be acidic. The solvent was removed in vacuo and into the residue was added POCl₃ (5mL). The reaction mixture was heated at 70°C for 1h. This solution was added to a mixture of AcOEt (50mL) and saturated NaHCO₃ (100mL) and stirred for 1h. The separated organic layer was evaporated and into the residue was poured MeOH (10mL). In the solution was blew dry HCl. After stirring overnight, the solvent was evaporated. Into the residue was added water (10mL) and the aqueous layer was washed with CH₂Cl₂ (10mL). The aqueous layer was basified with K₂CO₃ and extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x10mL). The extracts was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on alumina (AcOEt:hexane=1:5) to afford yellow crystal 5 (0.085g, 0.26mmol) in 40% yield: mp 175-176°C (CH₂Cl₂-hexane); IR (KBr) 3340, 1740, 1618, 1060, 742cm⁻¹; 0.70-3.70 (m, 17H), 3.60 and 3.63 (2s, 3H), 6.80-7.67 (m, 4H), 8.93-9.33 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 355, 354 (M⁺, base), 325, 229, 184.

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Chapter 5-1

A New Method for Regioselective Synthesis of 2-Substituted-1-(methoxycarbonyl)-1,2-dihydropyridines and 5-Substituted Ones

Abstract: 2-Substituted 1,2-dihydropyridines were regioselectively prepared starting from 2-substituted piperidines through three intermediates, that is, (a) 1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridines, (b) 5-bromo-6-methoxypiperidines, and (c) 1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-6-methoxypyridines. By the similar procedure was obtained 5-substituted 1,2-dihydropyridines.

Since 1-acyl-1,2-dihydropyridines have been known to be useful synthetic intermediates as exemplified by their Diels-Alder type reaction to form nitrogen-heterocycles,¹ a variety of methods have been reported for synthesis of these dienes.²

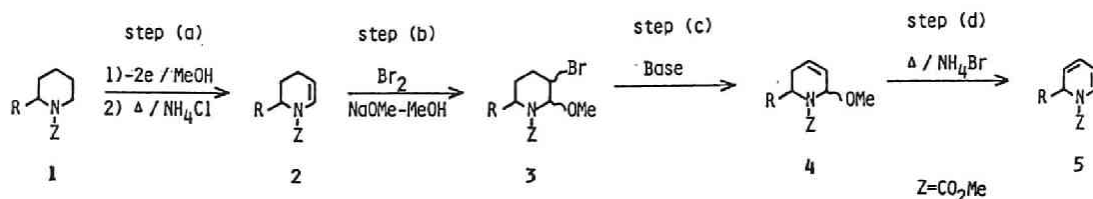
Although the reported syntheses known to be useful ones have been carried out by reduction of pyridinium salts³ or by addition of organometallic reagents to pyridinium salts,⁴ these methods form both 1,2- and 1,4-dihydropyridines. Thus, convenient methods for the synthesis of 1,2-dihydropyridines, especially those possessing substituents at certain positions of pyridine nucleus, are quite few so far.⁵

In this chapter is described a new facile method for the regioselective synthesis of 2-substituted-1-(methoxycarbonyl)-1,2-dihydropyridines 5 and 5-substituted ones 11 from piperidines 1.

Scheme 1 shows our method which comprises four steps (a)-(d), that is, (a) preparation of 1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridines 2 from 1, (b) bromomethoxylation of 2 giving 5-bromo-6-methoxy compounds 3, (c) dehydrobromination of 3 giving 1,2,3,6-tetrahydro-6-methoxypyridines 4, and

(d) elimination of methanol from 4 affording 5.

Scheme I



The preparation of 2a-d was achieved according to our previously reported method which consisted of anodic oxidation of 1a-d in methanol and elimination of methanol from the oxidized products.⁶

The subsequent transformation of 2a-d to 5a-d was carried out as follows: The addition of bromine (1.1eq.) to a solution of 2a-d in methanol containing sodium methoxide (1.1eq.) at room temperature gave 3a-d,⁷ which was then dehydrobrominated by treatment with bases⁸ (DBU in DMF, 90°C or electrochemically generated 2-pyrrolidone anion⁹ in DMF at room temperature) to afford 4a-d. The desired 5a-d were obtained by heating (90-100°C) 4 in the presence of a catalytic amount of NH₄Br (0.01eq.) under reduced pressure (70 ~ 100 mmHg) for 60 ~ 120 min.⁶ The yields of 2a-d-5a-d are summarized in Table 1.

The compounds 4 and 5 were found to give the Diels-Alder type adducts upon reaction with dienophiles. For example, the reaction of 4c with dimethyl fumarate gave the [4+2]cycloadduct 6 in 54% yield (eq 1).

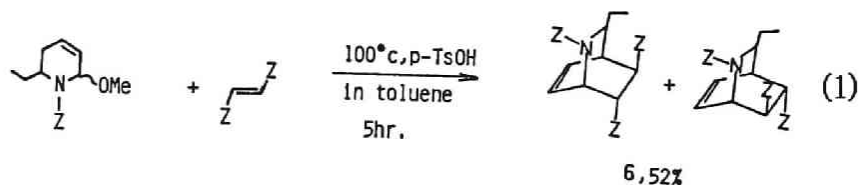


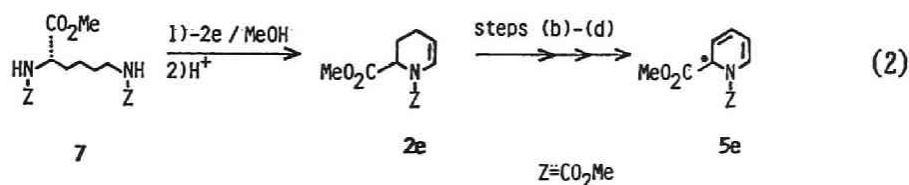
Table 1. Isolated Yields(%) of Compounds 2a-d-5a-d.

	R	<u>2</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>5</u>
<u>a</u>	H	83	80	72 ^a (77) ^b	65
<u>b</u>	Me	64	80	50 ^a	65
<u>c</u>	Et	74	84	74 ^a	89
<u>d</u>	CH ₂ COMe	60	56	78 ^a	85

^a DBU was used as a base.

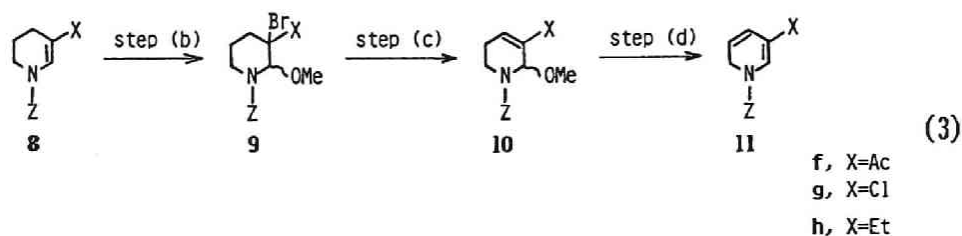
^b Electrochemically generated 2-pyrroline anion was used as a base.

Our method was applied to the synthesis of the optically active diene 5e, which might be an useful intermediate for the construction of optically active nitrogen heterocycles. The optically active key intermediate 1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine 2e was preparable by our reported method starting from L-lysine derivative 7 (eq 2).¹⁰ The optical purity of 5e¹¹ {[α]_D²⁵ -516.7° (c 1.2, MeOH)}, obtained according to the procedures shown above (3e, 72%; 4e, 80%; 5e, 80%), was found to be at least 77% ee after it was converted to 1e(R=CO₂Me) by hydrogenation and the optical purity of 1e {[α]_D²⁵ -46.9° (c 1.5, MeOH)} was compared with that of an authentic sample {[α]_D²⁵ -60.9° (c 1.5, MeOH)}.



Although the optical purity is not satisfactory at present, 5e is the first example of optically active 1,2-dihydropyridine. In the next Chapter is described the synthesis of optically pure 1,2-dihydropyridines, and their utilization in organic synthesis.

Furthermore, since 1,2-dihydropyridines bearing substituents at the 5-position are frequently required in natural product synthesis,^{2b, 5a} by utilizing this method were prepared 5-substituted 1,2-dihydropyridines 11 from 5-substituted 1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridines 8 which were obtained electrochemically (eq 3).



In summary, advantages of our method are as follows: (i) The products, 1,2-dihydropyridines 5 are completely uncontaminated with 1,4-isomers, (ii) the each step is simple, (iii) the starting compounds 1 possessing a variety of substituents R is easily preparable by our reported method,^{8, 11} and (iv) optically active 1,2-dihydropyridines could be prepared as shown above.

Experimental Section

Compounds 2a,⁶ 2b,⁶ 2e,¹⁰ 8f,⁶ 8g,⁷ 8h¹² were prepared according to our previously reported method.⁶ Similarly 1c, 2c, and 2d were synthesized.

1c: bp 80 °C/6mmHg; IR (neat) 2940, 2870, 1700, 1452, 1260 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 0.84 (t, J=9Hz, 3H), 1.17-1.91 (m, 8H), 2.53-2.98 (m, 1H), 3.57

(s, 3H), 3.75-4.25 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $C_9H_{17}NO_2$: C, 63.13; H, 10.00; N, 8.18. Found: C, 62.85; H, 10.20; N, 8.26.

2c: IR (neat) 2970, 1714, 1658, 1445, 1415, 1361, 1120, 772 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.90 (t, $J=6.5$ Hz, 3H), 1.20-2.21 (m, 6H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.80-4.31 (m, 1H), 4.35-4.90 (m, 1H), 6.36-6.75 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_9H_{15}NO_2$: C, 63.88; H, 8.93; N, 8.28. Found: C, 63.71; H, 9.00; N, 8.11.

2d: IR (neat) 2975, 1718, 1660, 1450, 1367 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.60-2.27 (m, 4H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 2.51 (d, $J=7$ Hz, 2H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 4.33-4.90 (m, 2H), 6.40-6.85 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 197.1059 (M^+ , calcd for $C_{10}H_{15}NO_3$: 197.1052), 140, 139, 138 (base).

Bromomethoxylation of 2 or 8. General procedure. Into a solution of 2 or 8 (20mmol) and Na (22mol) in methanol (25mL) was added bromine (22mol) at 5 °C. After stirred for 10min, aq. Na_2SO_3 (30mL) was poured into the reaction mixture. The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x30mL). The extract was dried over $MgSO_4$ and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt-hexane) to afford 3 or 8. The spectroscopic data of 3a was consistent with the authentic sample.⁷

3b: IR (neat) 2965, 1715, 1448, 1358, 1305, 1069 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.23 and 1.26 (2d, $J=7$ and 7Hz, 3H), 1.54-2.55 (m, 4H), 3.23 and 3.33 (2s, 3H), 3.62 and 3.65 (2s, 3H), 4.10-4.50 (m, 2H), 5.33 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $C_9H_{16}BrNO_3$: C, 40.63; H, 6.06; Br, 30.02; N, 5.26. Found: C, 40.60; H, 6.15; Br, 30.27; N, 5.20.

3c: IR (neat) 2970, 1718, 1448, 1360, 1305, 1075, 946, 779 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.89 (t, $J=6.5\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.21-2.67 (m, 6H), 3.25 and 3.33 (2s, 3H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.70-4.30 (m, 2H), 5.28 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrNO}_3$: C, 42.87; H, 6.48; Br, 28.52; N, 5.00. Found: C, 42.92; H, 6.59; Br, 28.74; N, 4.99.

3d: IR (neat) 2965, 1722, 1715, 1450, 1363, 1300, 1078 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.00-2.84 (m, 6H), 2.05 (s, 3H), 3.19 (s, 3H), 3.58 (s, 3H), 4.01-4.19 (m, 1H), 4.27 (m, 1H), 5.17 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrNO}_4$: C, 42.87; H, 5.89; Br, 25.93; N, 4.55. Found: C, 43.16; H, 5.98; Br, 26.00; N, 4.45.

3e: IR (neat) 2965, 1742, 1715, 1444, 1083 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.55-2.60 (m, 4H), 3.27 (s, 3H), 3.65 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.06-4.30 (m, 1H), 4.52-4.95 (m, 1H), 5.29 (br d, $J=9\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrNO}_5$: C, 38.73; H, 5.20; Br, 25.76; N, 4.52. Found: C, 38.79; H, 5.17; Br, 25.55; N, 4.55.

9f: IR (neat) 2960, 1718, 1450, 1235, 1180 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.47-2.16 (m, 4H), 2.33 (s, 3H), 2.57-3.10 (m, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.70-4.23 (m, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 5.47-5.77 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{16}\text{BrNO}_4$: C, 40.83; H, 5.48; Br, 27.16; N, 4.76. Found: C, 40.55; H, 5.42; Br, 27.28; N, 4.88.

9g: IR (neat) 2965, 1715, 1452, 1405, 1280, 1085, 777 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.36-3.17 (m, 5H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 3.64-4.26 (m, 1H), 3.74 (s, 3H), 5.21-5.61 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{13}\text{BrClNO}_3$: C, 33.53; H, 4.57; Br, 27.88; Cl, 12.37; N, 4.89. Found: C, 33.52; H, 4.62; Br, 27.64; Cl, 12.27; N,

4.94.

9h: IR (neat) 2970, 1720, 1455, 1290, 1083 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.10 (t, $J=6.5\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.30-1.68 (m, 1H), 1.69-2.52 (m, 5H), 2.54-3.12 (m, 1H), 3.25 (s, 3H), 3.55-4.31 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 3H), 5.13 and 5.33 (2s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{18}\text{BrNO}_3$: C, 42.87; H, 6.48; Br, 28.52; N, 5.00. Found: C, 42.61; H, 6.36; Br, 28.48; N, 5.13.

Dehydrobromination of 3 or 9. General procedure. A solution of 3 or 9 (10 mmol) and DBU (15mmol) in DMF (10mmol) was heated (95 $^{\circ}\text{C}$) for 2h. After the solvent was removed in vacuo, the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt-hexane) to afford 4 or 9. In the case of 8f was afforded 10f by the this procedure.

4a: IR (neat) 3000, 1710, 1658, 1472, 1448 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.87-2.27 (m, 2H), 2.86-3.35 (m, 1H), 3.29 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 3.78-4.17 (m, 1H), 5.34 (br s, 2H), 5.57-6.08 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_3$: C, 56.13; H, 7.65; N, 8.18. Found: C, 56.34; H, 7.90; N, 8.21.

4b: IR (neat) 2980, 2945, 1710, 1665, 1450, 1350, 1340, 1120, 1078 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.26 (d, $J=10\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.72-2.57 (m, 2H), 3.31 (s, 3H), 3.70 (s, 3H), 4.34-4.73 (m, 1H), 5.33 (br s, 1H), 5.79 (br s, 2H); MS, m/e 153, 138 (base), 94.

4c: IR (neat) 2970, 2945, 1710, 1670, 1450, 1354, 1325, 1125, 1078 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 0.87 (t, $J=10\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.30-2.50 (m, 4H), 3.30 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.90-4.41 (m, 1H), 5.23 (br s, 1H), 5.63 (br s, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$: C, 60.28; H, 8.60; N, 7.03. Found: C, 59.45; H, 8.57;

N, 6.91.

4d: IR (neat) 2978, 1730, 1718, 1672, 1456, 1358, 1330, 1080, 960, 781 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.94-2.45 (m, 2H), 2.07 (s, 3H), 2.76 (t, $J=3.5\text{Hz}$, 2H), 3.28 (s, 3H), 3.68 (s, 3H), 4.57-5.01 (m, 1H), 5.26 (br s, 1H), 5.66 (br s, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{11}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_4$: C, 58.14; H, 7.54; N, 6.16. Found: C, 59.32; H, 7.79; N, 6.07.

4e: IR (neat) 2965, 1745, 1715, 1670, 1450, 1325 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.15-2.58 (m, 2H), 3.17 and 3.21 (2s, 3H), 3.53 and 3.56 (2s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 4.63-5.00 (m, 1H), 5.05-5.40 (m, 1H), 5.45-5.97 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_5$: C, 52.40; H, 6.60; N, 6.11. Found: C, 52.55; H, 6.82; N, 5.82.

10g: IR (neat) 2950, 1710, 1658, 1442, 1318, 1295, 1095, 1082, 975 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.90-2.50 (m, 2H), 2.85-3.40 (m, 1H), 3.38 (s, 3H), 3.65-4.20 (m, 1H), 3.73 (s, 3H) 5.25 (br s, 1H), 5.93 (dd, $J=6$ and 3Hz , 1H); MS, m/e 207, 205.0491 (M^+ , calcd for $\text{C}_8\text{H}_{12}\text{ClNO}_3$: 205.0505), 190, 176, 174 (base).

10h: IR (neat) 2940, 1710, 1668, 1450, 1342, 1208, 1075, 970, 772 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.01 (t, $J=6.5\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.59-2.50 (m, 4H), 2.67-3.40 (m, 1H), 3.22 (s, 3H), 3.48-4.20 (m, 1H), 3.60 (s, 3H), 5.06 (br s, 1H), 5.27-5.57 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_3$: C, 60.28; H, 8.60; N, 7.03. Found: C, 60.33; H, 8.73; N, 6.98.

Preparation of 5 or 11. General procedure. A mixture of 4 or 10 (5mmol) and NH_4Cl (10mg) was heated (100°C) under reduced pressure (80mmHg). After 2h, the product was isolated by distillation directly from the reaction

flask.

1,2-Dihydropyridines 5a,^{4b} b,^{2f} c,^{5d} and 11h^{1a} were known compounds. New dienes 5d,e and 11f,g were characterized by spectroscopic data.

5d: IR (neat) 2975, 1726, 1718, 1655, 1650, 1587, 1450, 1353, 1270, 1122, 776, 732 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.17 (s, 3H), 2.51-3.04 (m, 2H), 3.81 (s, 3H), 4.96- 5.43 (m, 2H), 5.54-6.04 (m, 2H), 6.51-6.92 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 195.0883 (M^+ , calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{13}\text{NO}_3$: 195.0895), 138 (base), 94.

5e: IR (neat) 2965, 1755, 1730, 1652, 1446, 1032 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.80 (s, 3H), 4.73-5.99 (m, 4H), 6.53-6.87 (m, 1H). IR (neat) 1755, 1730, 1652, 1590 cm^{-1} ; MS, m/e 197.0668 (M^+ , calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_4$: 197.0687), 138 (base), 94.

11f: IR (KBr) 2952, 1730, 1715, 1645, 1600, 1445, 935, 775, 738 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.27 (s, 3H), 3.85 (s, 3H), 4.40 (dd, $\underline{J}=6$ and 3Hz, 2H), 5.33-5.70 (m, 1H), 6.27-6.57 (m, 1H), 7.73 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 181.0747 (base, M^+ , calcd for $\text{C}_9\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_3$: 181.0755), 180, 166, 136.

11g: IR (neat) 2950, 1710, 1648, 1590, 1440, 1290, 1115, 762 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 3.80 (s, 3H), 4.33 (dd, $\underline{J}=5$ and 2Hz, 2H), 5.40-6.00 (m, 2H), 6.70-7.00 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 175, 174, 173.0264 (base, M^+ , calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_8\text{ClNO}_2$: 173.0244).

Diels-Alder reaction. A solution of 4c (0.199mg, 1mmol), dimethyl malonate (0.173mg, 1.2mmol), p-TsOH (10mg), and dihydroquinone (5mg) in toluene (2mL) was heated (at 100°C). After 5h, the reaction mixture was

chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=3:1) to afford [4+2]cycloadduct 6 in 54% yield: mp 85-87°C (from AcOEt-hexane); IR (CCl₄) 2960, 1740, 1708, 1620, 1447, 1390, 1200 cm⁻¹; 0.87 (t, J=6.5Hz, 3H), 1.00-2.00 (m, 2H), 2.63-3.70 (m, 4H), 3.60, 3.67, and 3.73 (3s, 9H), 4.67-5.07 (m, 1H), 6.10-6.67 (m, 2H); MS, m/e 311.1366 (M⁺, calcd for C₁₅H₂₁NO₆: 311.1368), 282, 280, 167, 139, 138 (base).

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Chapter 5-2

Synthesis of Optically Pure 2-Substituted-1-(methoxycarbonyl)- 1,2-dihydropyridines. Preparation of Optically Active 2-Aza- 2,5,6-tris(methoxycarbonyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane

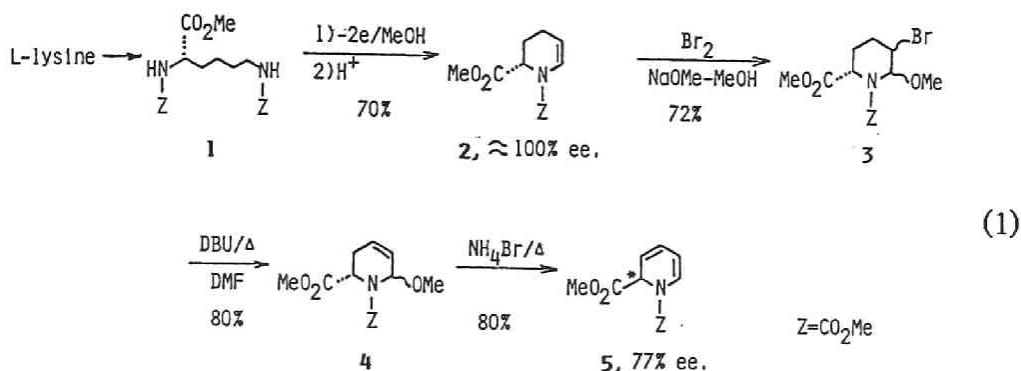
Abstract: Optically pure 2-substituted 1,2-dihydropyridines were prepared from L-lysine using anodic oxidation as a key reaction, which were transformed into optically active 2-aza-2,5,6-tris(methoxycarbonyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane by Diels-Alder reaction.

Since 1-acyl-1,2-dihydropyridines have been known to be useful synthetic intermediates as exemplified by their Diels-Alder type reaction to form nitrogen-heterocycles,¹ a variety of methods have been reported for synthesis of these dienes.²

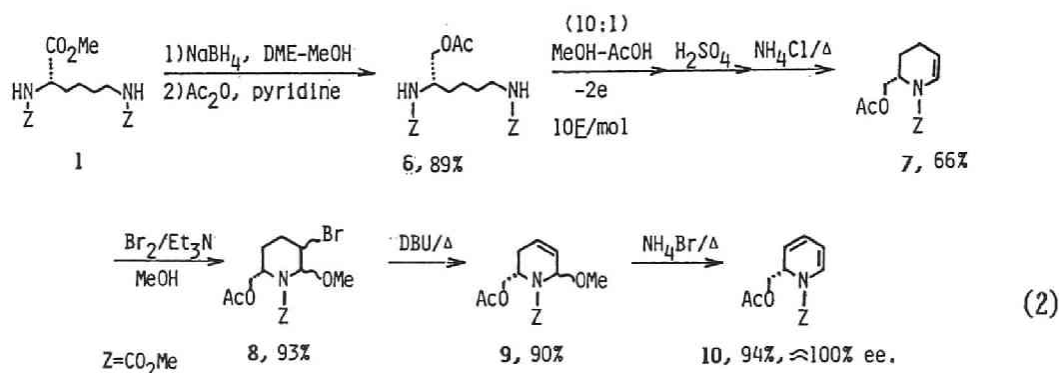
In preceding chapter (5-1) was described a new method for regioselective preparation of 2-substituted 1,2-dihydropyridines starting from 2-substituted piperidines through three intermediates.³ In this chapter that convenient method was applied to the synthesis of optically pure 1,2-dihydropyridine from L-lysine, which was transformed into optically active 2-aza-2,5,6-tris(methoxycarbonyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane by Diels-Alder reaction.

Optically Pure 2-Substituted-1-(methoxycarbonyl)-1,2-dihydropyridines.
In chapter 5-1 our method was applied to the synthesis of the optically active diene 5, which might be an useful intermediate for the construction of optically active nitrogen heterocycles. The optically active key inter-

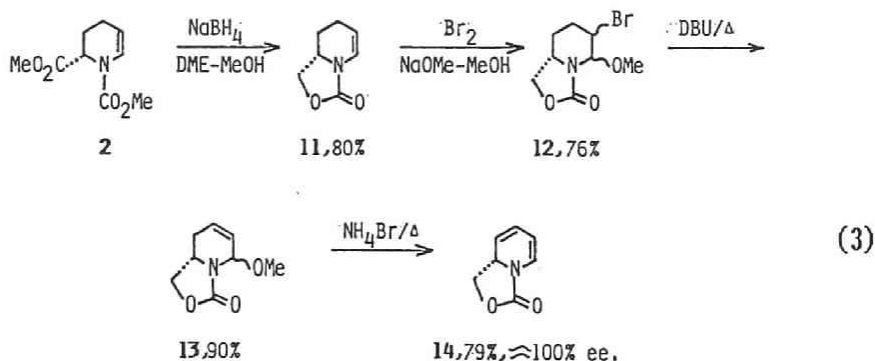
mediate 1,2,3,4-tetrahydropyridine 2 was preparable by our reported method starting from L-lysine (eq 1).³ To our regret, the optical purity of 5 was found to be 77% ee.



Consequently, our effort was directed to the synthesis of optically pure 1,2-dihydropyridines and their utilizations in organic synthesis. Since the racemization of 5 seemed to be caused by the electron-withdrawing effect of 2-methoxycarbonyl group of 5, 2-acetoxymethyl-1,2-dihydropyridine 10 was prepared. Namely, the subsequent transformation of 1 to 10 was carried out as follows (eq 2): The reduction of 1 with NaBH₄ in dimethoxyethane-methanol and followed by the treatment with acetic anhydride gave 6. The preparation of 7 was achieved according to our previously reported method⁴ of the oxidized products and the elimination of methanol from the cyclized product. The addition of bromine to a solution of 7 in methanol containing triethylamine at room temperature gave 8, which was then dehydrobrominated by treatment with DBU in DMF at 90 °C to afford 9. The desired 10 was obtained by heating (130 °C) 9 in the presence of a catalytic amount of NH₄Br under reduced pressure (25 mmHg) for 1h. According to expectation compound 10 was found to be optically pure and as described below was a key intermediate for a preparation of optically active 2-aza-2,5,6-tris(methoxycarbonyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane.

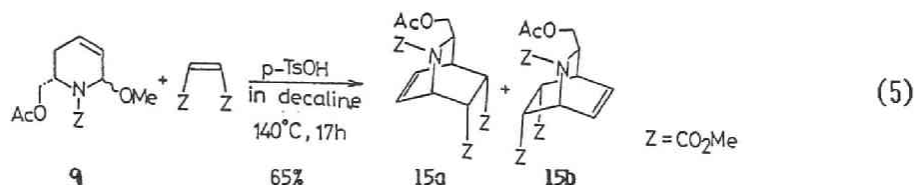
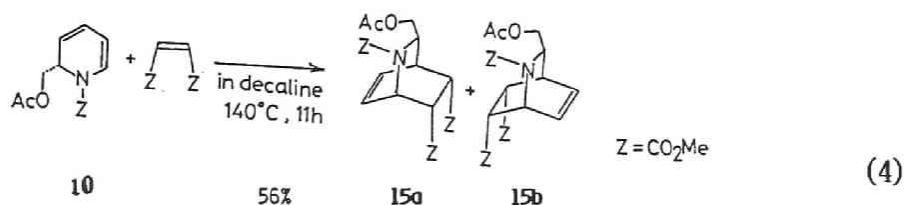


On the other hand, bicyclic 1,2-dihydropyridine 14 (100 % ee) was prepared according to the method described above from 11 which was obtained by the reduction of 2 (eq 3). Compound 14, however, was less reactive with dienophile.



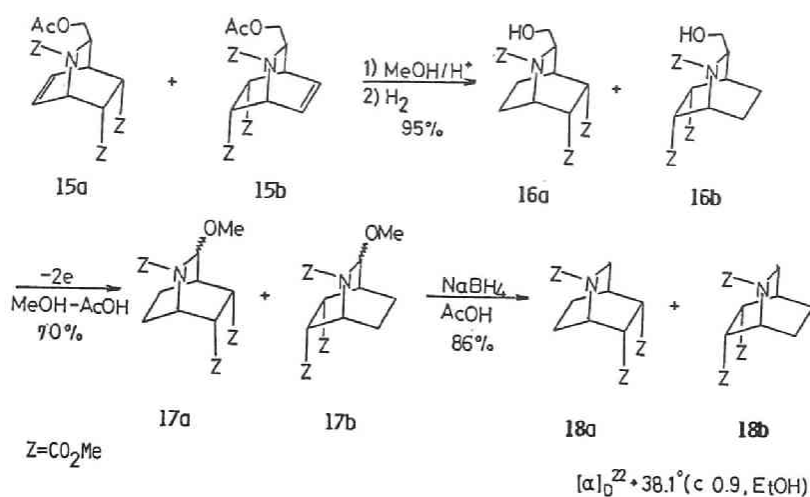
Optically Active 2-Aza-2,5,6-tris(methoxycarbonyl)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane.

The compound 10 was found to give the Diels-Alder type adducts upon reaction with dimethyl maleate (eq 4).¹ Similarly an intermediate 9 was reactive with dimethyl maleate in the presence of p-TsOH (eq 5). In these reactions as minor products were obtained [4+2] cycloadducts of 10 with dimethyl fumarate (9% from 10, 2% from 9).⁵



Each of these Diels-Alder reactions seemed to be carried out diastereoselectively in the ratio of 9 to 1, which was determined by HPLC. In fact, the mixture of 15a and 15b was transformed into optically active 2-azabicyclo[2.2.2]octane 18a,b. That is, as shown in Scheme 1, hydrolysis of 15a,b and followed by hydrogenation afforded 16a,b, which were transformed into 17a,b by the anodically carbon-carbon bond cleavage⁶ and then the reduction of 17a,b with NaBH₄ gave 18a,b.⁷

Scheme 1



Since the diastereoselectivity seemed to be caused by the steric effect of 2-acetoxymethyl group of 10, a main isomer was thought to be 15a (figure 1).

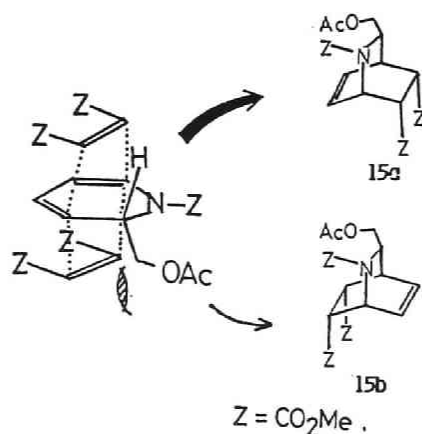
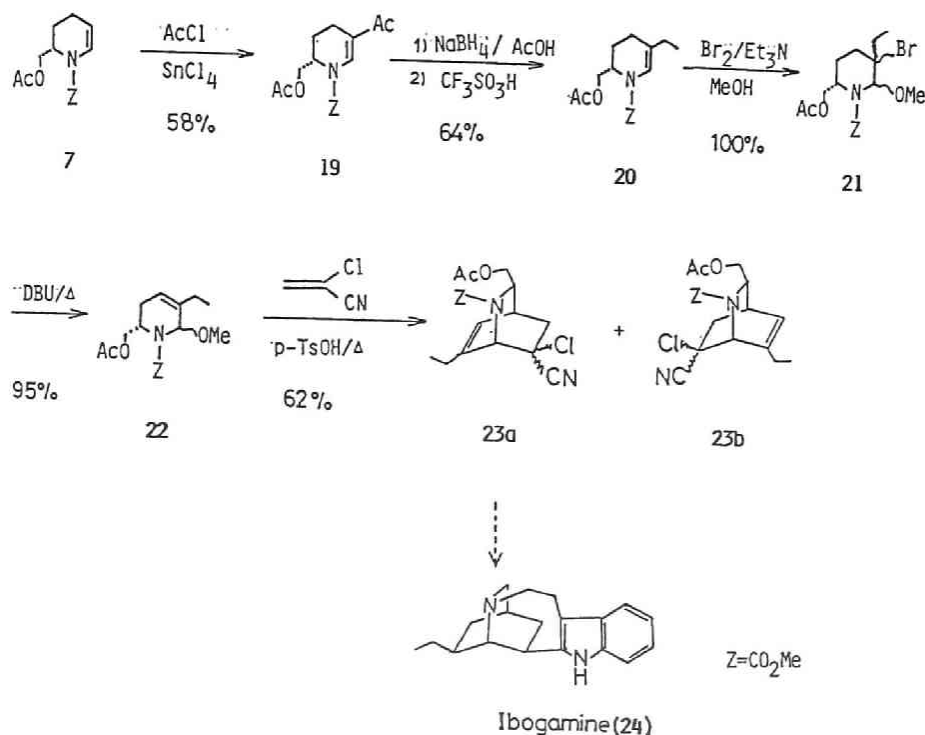


figure 1.

An Approach to Synthesis of (-)-Ibogamine. (-)-Ibogamine (24) is isolated from *Tabernanthe iboga* Baill, which is of interest because of an inherent pharmacological activity.⁸ Our synthetic route is shown in Scheme 2. As a precursor for synthesis of 24 we selected 23, which was thought to be obtained Diels-Alder reaction of 22 and α -chloroacrylonitrile. In first, in order to introduce ethyl group into the β -position of 7, Friedel-Craft acetylation of 7 and a reduction of the product 19 was carried out. By the method described above 20 was transformed into a mixture of 23a and 23b. The transformation of 23 into 24 may be carried out according to the known methods.^{8, 9}

Scheme 2



Experimental Section

Carbamate 1 was known compound.⁴ Products 9, 10, and 13 were not submitted for sufficient analytical data due to their instability.

Reduction of 1 and 2 with NaBH₄. In a solution of 1 (26.8g, 97mmol) in a mixture of DME (40mL) and MeOH (8mL) was added a portion of NaBH₄ (3.06g, 81mmol). After it was stirred overnight, the reaction mixture was poured into H₂O (50mL). The organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x40 mL) and dried over MgSO₄. The solvent removed in vacuo and into the residue

was poured Ac_2O (18.9 mL, 200 mmol) and successively pyridine (20 mL, 250 mmol). After stirred for 2.5 h, into the reaction mixture was water (30 mL). The organic layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x40 mL) and dried over MgSO_4 . The solvent removed in vacuo and the residue was washed with a mixture of ether and hexane: mp. 97–98°C (from methanol); IR (KBr) 3355, 2980, 1755, 1700, 1555, 1230, 1068 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) δ 1.21–1.83 (m, 6H), 2.10 (s, 3H), 3.06–3.37 (m, 2H), 3.60–4.20 (m, 1H), 3.71 (s, 6H), 4.12 (d, $J=4\text{Hz}$, 2H), 4.53–5.03 (m, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{12}\text{H}_{22}\text{N}_2\text{O}_6$: C, 49.65; H, 7.64; N, 9.65. Found: C, 49.38; H, 7.79; N, 9.90.

Compound 11 was by the similar procedure from 2 except for an amount of NaBH_4 (6.7 equiv): mp 45–46°C; IR (CCl_4) 1752, 1650, 1420, 1280, 1180, 1058 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CDCl_3) 1.50–2.43 (m, 4H), 3.60–5.25 (m, 4H), 6.60 (br d, $J=8\text{Hz}$, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_9\text{NO}_2$: C, 60.43; H, 6.51; N, 10.07. Found: C, 60.16; H, 6.56; N, 9.90.

Anodic Oxidation of 6. Into a beaker with carbon rod anode and cathode (8 mm ϕ) was added a mixture of 6 (4.24 g, 14.62 mmol) and Bu_4NBF_4 (1.5 g) in MeOH (60 mL) and AcOH (6 mL). After 10 F/mol of electricity was passed at a constant current of 1 A (3.9 h, terminal voltage; ca. 16 V) at -10°C , H_2SO_4 (3 mL) was added the reaction mixture and stirred for 1 h at the temperature. Into the resulting reaction mixture was poured CH_2Cl_2 (100 mL) and the solution was washed with water (50 mL) and successively aq. Na_2CO_3 (50 mL). The organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent removed in vacuo. The residue was distillation by kugel rohr to afford 7 (2.66 g, 66%): bp 160°C (2 mm); IR (neat) 2965, 1742, 1712, 1660, 1448, 1362, 1240 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.70–2.25 (m, 4H), 1.98 (m, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 3.98 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 4.28–4.93 (m, 2H), 6.53–6.90 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{15}\text{NO}_4$: C, 56.33; H, 7.09; N, 6.57. Found: C, 56.07; H, 7.17; N, 6.40.

Bromomethoxylation of 7 and 11. Into a solution of 7 (10.9g, 50.7mmol) and Et₃N (8.5mL, 60.8mmol) in MeOH (60mL) was added slowly Br₂ (3.1mL, 60.8 mmol) at 5°C. After stirred for 30min, aq. Na₂S₂O₃ was poured into the solution. The organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x50mL) and the dried over MgSO₄. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel to afford 8 (15.37g, 93% yield): IR (neat) 2970, 1748, 1718, 1448, 1305, 1240, 1082, 1068cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.40-2.50 (m, 4H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 3.29 and 3.37 (2s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.70-4.50 (m, 4H), 5.10-5.50 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₈BrNO₅: C, 40.76; H, 5.60; Br, 24.65; N, 4.32. Found: C, 40.81; H, 5.81; Br; 24.37; N, 4.23.

By the similar procedure except for base (Et₃N) was obtained 12 from 11: IR (neat) 2940, 1760, 1410, 1260, 1062, 970, 762cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.55-2.40 (m, 4H), 3.32 and 3.40 (2s, 3H), 3.55-4.60 (m, 4H), 4.93 (d, J=2 Hz, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₈H₁₂BrNO₃: C, 38.43; H, 4.84; Br, 31.95; N, 5.60. Found: C, 38.49; H, 4.80; Br; 32.12; N, 5.54.

Dehydrobromination of 8 and 12. A solution of 8 (15.37g, 47.15mmol) and DBU (13.7mL, 100mmol) in DMF (50mL) was heated at 100 °C. After 2h, the solvent was removed in reduced pressure. The residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt:hexane=4:1) to afford 9 (10.4g, 90% yield):

NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.80-2.30 (m, 2H), 2.02 (s, 3H), 3.40 and 3.47 (2s, 3H), 3.76 (s, 3H), 3.80-4.83 (m, 3H), 5.43 (br s, 1H), 5.82 (br s, 2H); MS, m/e 243.1090 (calcd for C₁₁H₁₇NO₅: 243.1107), 212, 184, 170 (base), 152, 138.

By the similar procedure was obtained 13 from 12: IR (neat) 2935, 1758, 1412, 1215, 1080, 780, 760cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.98-2.33 (m, 2H), 3.34 (s,

3H), 3.55-4.67 (m, 3H), 4.93 (br s, 1H), 5.80 (br s, 2H). Anal. Calcd for $C_8H_{11}NO_3$: C, 56.80; H, 6.55; N, 8.28. Found: C, 55.37; H, 6.57; N, 8.08.

Preparation of 1,2-Dihydropyridines 10 and 14. A mixture of 9 (0.325g, 1.327mmol) and NH_4Br (0.01g) was heated at $150^\circ C$ in reduced pressure (100 mm Hg). After 5min, by the distillation ($150^\circ C$, 2mmHg) was afforded 10 (0.265 g, 94%): IR (neat) 2955, 1745, 1720, 1640, 1580, 1442, 1355, 1328, 1258, 1230, 1120, $1046cm^{-1}$; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.97 (s, 3H), 3.79 (s, 3H), 3.82-4.10 (m, 2H), 4.85-5.60 (m, 3H), 5.85-6.12 (m, 1H), 6.59-6.92 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 151, 139, 138 (base), 94.

14: IR (neat) 3025, 2402, 1765, 1520, 1425, $1216cm^{-1}$; NMR (CCl_4) δ 4.10-4.90 (m, 3H), 5.20-5.60 (m, 2H), 5.83-6.20 (m, 1H), 6.63 (d, $J=8Hz$, 1H); MS, m/e 137.0463 (base, calcd for $C_7H_7NO_2$: 137.0476), 93, 77.

Diels-Alder reaction. A solution of 10 (0.231g, 1.095mmol), dimethyl maleate (0.68mL, 5.47mmol), and dihydroquinone (5mg) in decaline (3mL) was heated at $140^\circ C$ for 11h. The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt-hexane=1:2) to afford a mixture of 15a and 15b (215mg, 55%) and cycloadducts with dimethyl fumarate (37mg, 10%).

15: IR (neat) 2975, 1755, 1712, 1455, 1390, 1205, 1180, $1046cm^{-1}$; NMR (CCl_4) δ 2.03 (s, 3H), 2.73-4.20 (m, 6H), 3.59 (s, 6H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.83 (br s, 1H), 6.30-6.50 (m, 2H); MS, m/e 295, 282, 151, 138, 121, 119, 117 (base). Anal. Calcd for $C_{16}H_{21}NO_8$: C, 54.08; H, 5.96; N, 3.94. Found: C, 54.05; H, 6.02; N, 3.92.

The ratio of 15a and 15b was determined by HPLC. HPLC was performed on a Simazu LC-6A with a Shim-pack CLC-ODS column (6mm ϕ x 150mm). An

elution of 10mM phosphoric acid buffer (pH 2.6) /acetonitrile=4/1 was applied at 1.5mL/min. The peaks were detected by RID-6A (0.16x10 Riufs) at 40°C in 8.4min and 10.4min (1:9).

Cycloadducts with Dimethyl Fumarate: IR (neat) 2955, 1740, 1702, 1442, 1337, 1220, 1038cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 2.02 and 2.05 (2s, 3H), 2.65-4.15 (m, 6H), 3.66, 3.69, 3.74, and 3.74 (4s, 9H), 4.70-5.17 (m, 1H), 6.17-6.70 (m, 2H); MS, m/e 295, 282, 151, 138 (base). Anal. Calcd for C₁₆H₂₁N₃O₈: C, 54.08; H, 5.96; N, 3.94. Found: C, 53.83; H, 5.97; N, 3.84.

By adding p-TsOH (catalytic amount) from 9 with dimethyl maleate was prepared 15 under the similar conditions.

Preparation of 16a and 16b. Into a solution of 15a,b (1.22g, 3.44mmol) in MeOH (20mL) was added HCl gas. After stirred overnight, the solvent was removed in vacuo. A solution of the residue and 5% Pd-C (cat amt.) was stirred for 12h under an atmosphere of hydrogen (10atm). The reaction mixture was filtered and the filtrate was condensed in vacuo to afford 16a,b (1.02g, 95% yield): IR (neat) 3470, 2970, 1740, 1705, 1458, 1395, 1220 cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.40-1.93 (m, 4H), 2.37-2.97 (m, 3H), 3.15-4.37 (m, 5H), 3.59 (s, 3H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.71 (s, 3H); MS, m/e 297, 285, 284 (base). Anal. Calcd for C₁₄H₂₁N₃O₇: C, 53.33; H, 6.71; N, 4.44. Found: C, 53.03; H, 6.69; N, 4.27.

Anodic Carbon-Carbon Bond Cleavage of 16a,b. Into an electrolysis cell described above was added a solution of 16a,b (0.329g, 1.044mmol) and n-Bu₄NBF₄ (0.150g) in MeOH (10mL) and AcOH (2mL). After 9F/mol electricity was passed at a constant current (0.2A, terminal voltage; ca. 12V). Into the reaction mixture was poured water (15mL). The organic portion was

extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x15mL) and was dried over MgSO_4 . The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt-hexane=1:3) to afford 17a,b (0.229g, 70%): IR (neat) 2960, 1750, 1718, 1452, 1202cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.20-1.90 (m, 4H), 2.30-2.65 (m, 2H), 2.90-3.50 (m, 1H), 3.40 (m, 1H), 3.62 (s, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 3.75 (s, 3H), 4.00-4.40 (m, 1H), 4.78 (br s, 1H); MS, m/e 300.0173 ($\text{M}^+ - \text{Me}$, calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{18}\text{NO}_7$: 300.1082), 285, 284 (base), 138.

Preparation of Optically Active 2-Aza-2,5,6-tris(methoxycarbonyl)-bicyclo[2.2.2]octane. Into a solution of 17a,b (0.13g, 0.42mmol) in AcOH (5mL) was added a portion of NaBH_4 (.174g, 4.2mmol). After stirred for 3h, into the solution was poured water (10mL). The organic portion was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x15mL) and dried over MgSO_4 . The solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt-hexane=1:3) to afford 18a,b (0.102g, 86%): $[\alpha]_D^{22} +38.1$ (c 0.9, EtOH); IR (neat) 2955, 1748, 1700, 1455, 1400, 1198, 1120, 1060cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.44-2.07 (m, 4H), 2.30 (br s, 1H), 2.80-3.50 (m, 2H), 3.33 (br s, 2H), 3.63 (s, 9H), 4.15-4.40 (m, 1H); MS, m/e 285.1195 (M^+ , calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{19}\text{NO}_6$: 285.1121), 254, 140, 139 (base).

Friedel-Crafts reaction. Into a solution of AcCl (6.6mL, 95.8mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (15mL) was added dropwise a solution of SnCl_4 (4.4mL, 38.3mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10mL) at -50°C under an atmosphere of nitrogen. After stirred for 10min, a solution of 7 (4.08g, 19.15mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (10mL) was added dropwise. After the reaction mixture was stirred for 10h at room temperature, it was poured into ice-water. The organic portion was separated and the aqueous layer was extracted with CH_2Cl_2 (3x30mL). A combined organic layer was dried over MgSO_4 and the solvent was removed in vacuo. The

residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt-hexane=2:1) to afford 19 (2.725g, 56%): mp. 65-67 °C; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.40-2.77 (m, 4H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 2.34 (s, 3H), 3.82 (s, 3H), 3.98 (t, $J=3\text{Hz}$, 2H), 4.30-4.73 (m, 1H), 7.92 (s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₇NO₅: C, 56.46; H, 6.71; N, 5.49. Found: C, 56.23; H, 6.76; N, 5.53.

Preparation of 20. Into a solution of 19 (1.500g, 5.88mmol) in AcOH (15mL) was added a portion of 90% NaBH₄ (1.236g, 29.4mmol). After stirred for 3h, water (15mL) was poured into the solution. The organic portion was extracted with CH₂Cl₂ (3x20mL) and the solution was dried over MgSO₄. Into the residue was poured a mixture of HCO₂H (3mL) and CF₃SO₃H (0.3mL). After stirred for 2h, into the resulting reaction mixture was poured CH₂Cl₂ (10mL). The organic layer was washed with water (10mL) and successively aqueous Na₂CO₃. The organic layer was dried over MgSO₄ and the solvent was removed in vacuo and the residue was chromatographed on silica gel (AcOEt: hexane=1:5) to afford 20 (0.910g 64%): IR (neat) 2970, 1750, 1712, 1680, 1448, 1238, 1045cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.03 (t, $J=7.5\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.45-2.23 (m, 6H), 1.94 (s, 3H), 3.67 (s, 3H), 3.88 (t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 2H), 4.13-4.57 (m, 1H), 6.58 (br s, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₉NO₄: C, 59.73; H, 7.94; N, 5.81. Found: C, 59.48; H, 8.03; N, 5.67.

Preparations of 21, 22, and 23 were carried out according to the method described above.

21: IR (neat) 2955, 1748, 1715, 1448, 1312, 1235, 1072cm⁻¹; NMR (CCl₄) δ 1.08 (br t, $J=7\text{Hz}$, 3H), 1.20-2.30 (m, 6H), 1.97 (s, 3H), 3.28 and 3.30 (2s, 3H), 3.53-4.70 (m, 3H), 3.69 (s, 3H), 5.13-5.43 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for C₁₃H₂₂BrNO₅: C, 44.33; H, 6.30; Br, 22.69; N, 3.98. Found: C, 44.27, H, 6.23, Br, 22.55, N, 3.91.

22: IR (neat) 2970, 1750, 1712, 1450, 1240, 1075 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.05 (t, $\underline{J}$ =5Hz, 3H), 1.53-2.63 (m, 4H), 2.00 (s, 3H), 3.40 (s, 3H), 3.73 (s, 3H), 4.00-4.27 (m, 2H), 4.37-4.77 (m, 1H), 5.20-5.57 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{13}\text{H}_{21}\text{NO}_5$: C, 57.55; H, 7.80; N, 5.16. Found: C, 57.28; H, 7.90; N, 5.17.

23: IR (neat) 2975, 1745, 1718, 1450, 1385, 1240, 1040 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.11 (t, $\underline{J}$ =6Hz, 3H), 1.90-2.80 (m, 4H), 2.09 (s, 3H), 3.06 (br s, 1H), 3.70-4.40 (m, 3H), 3.83 (s, 3H), 4.98 (dd, $\underline{J}$ =20 and 2Hz, 0.3H), 5.06 (dd, $\underline{J}$ =20 and 2Hz, 0.7H), 5.97-6.20 (m, 1H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{19}\text{ClN}_2\text{O}_4$: C, 55.13; H, 5.86; Cl, 10.85; N, 8.57. Found: C, 54.86; H, 5.74; Cl, 10.78; N, 8.18.

Optical purities of 10 and 14 were determined by comparing optical rotatory of the hydrogenated product 10' and 14' with their authentic samples.

10': $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ -37.0 (c 1.38, EtOH); IR (neat) 2950, 2870, 1748, 1700, 1450, 1260, 1228, 1050 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.58 (br s, 6H), 1.95 (s, 3H), 2.60-3.10 (m, 1H), 3.63 (s, 3H), 3.73-4.60 (m, 4H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_{10}\text{H}_{17}\text{NO}_4$: C, 55.80; H, 7.96; N, 6.51. Found: C, 55.85; H, 7.94; N, 6.45.

14': $[\alpha]_D^{25}$ +18.8 (c 1.38, EtOH); IR (neat) 2950, 2870, 1750, 1430, 1248, 1078, 1045 cm^{-1} ; NMR (CCl_4) δ 1.10-2.10 (m, 6H), 2.50-3.07 (m, 1H), 3.30-4.45 (m, 4H). Anal. Calcd for $\text{C}_7\text{H}_{11}\text{NO}_2$: C, 59.56; H, 7.85; N, 9.92. Found: C, 59.28; H, 7.96; N, 9.66.

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