Lewis Acid / CpRu Dual-Catalysis in the Enantioselective Decarboxylative Allylation of Ketone Enolates

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Supporting Information

General procedure for the synthesis of cinnamyl acetoacetates of type 3 and 7.



 β -ketoesters **3a**, **3c**, **3d**, **3f** and **3g** were prepared by DMAP-catalyzed addition of the corresponding allylic alcohols to diketene.¹



 β -ketoesters **3b**, **3e** and **3h** were prepared by DMAP catalyzed transesterification of the corresponding ethylketoesters. Compounds **3a** to **3h** have spectral characteristics corresponding to those described already in the literature.²

Branched β -ketoester 7 was synthesized as follows:



CpRu-catalyzed Carroll rearrangement – dual-catalysis procedure.

Typical procedure. In a 2 mL screw-cap vial equipped with a magnetic stirring bar, [CpRu(η^6 -naphthalene)][PF₆] **1** (5.3 mg, 0.012 mmol, 2 mol%) and ligand **2** (8.1 mg, 0.033 mmol, 4.4 mol%) were dissolved in 0.6 mL dry THF. The vial was flushed with argon and capped. After a 1h heating at 60 °C, the vial was cooled to room temperature (~ 25 °C) and allyl β-ketoester **3a** (150 mg, 0.6 mmol) was added in one portion followed by [Mg(OTf)₂] (2.0 mg, 0.006 mmol, 1 mol%) and the vial was flushed again with argon and stirred at room temperature for 24 h. The cooled reaction mixture was diluted with 1.5 mL of a mixture of ether and pentane (60 : 40). After precipitation, the metal salts were filtered off on a short SiO₂ column (0.5 cm x 4 cm, elution ether : pentane, 60 : 40); the solvents being then evaporated under reduced pressure to afford the crude reaction mixture (**4a** + **5a**) as a pale yellow oil which was analysed without further purification. The sign of the optical rotation was measured from a solution of crude product (~10 mg) in 1 mL CDCl₃.

Reference

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IR spectrum of 6 (Neat)





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Sample name: EA129	Date of reception: 10/02/09
Sample number: 0354	Date of analysis: 10/02/09
Operator: Eliane Sandmeier	Instrument: VG 7070E
Principal investigator: Prof. G. Hopfgartner	Ionisation mode: EI - LR

<u>Mass spectrum of the sample</u>:



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GCMS trace and mass spectrum of **6** (HP 5 MS: T_{inj} 250 °C, P = 0.48 bar; 60 °C, isotherm 5 min then temperature gradient 10 °C.min⁻¹ until 320 °C, isotherm 5 min)



















Determined by CSP-HPLC Column OD-H Hex/i-PrOH 99.5/0.5 flow 0.5 mL/min, 23 °C







Determined by CSP-GC (Chiraldex Hydrodex β -3P), T_{inj} 250 °C, P = 0.596 bar; 130 °C, isotherm.





Determined by CSP-HPLC Column OD-H Hex/i-PrOH 98/2 flow 0.5 mL/min, 23 °C

Racemic and enantiopure secondary ester 7



Determined by CSP-HPLC Column Whelk-O1 Hex/i-PrOH 99/1 flow 1 mL/min, 23 °C

