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Macrocyclisation By Ring-closing Metathesis (RCM)



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Example of relay of RCM

Alternative reaction of RCM

How create a macrocycle in total synthesis today?



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➤ a carbene dimer reaction:

 $\begin{array}{c} N_2 N_2 \\ \parallel \parallel \\ 0 \end{array} \qquad \underbrace{[ML_n]} \qquad \underbrace{} \end{array}$

> The McMurry reaction:

Horner-Wadsworth-Emmons:









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History of Metathese:

- the alkene metathesis was discovered around 1960.
- The first mechanism was proposed by Chauvin¹ in 1970.
- approuved and valided by Casey,² Katz³ and Grubbs⁴ group



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¹ J.-L. Hérisson, Y. Chauvin, *Makromol. Chem.* **1971**, *141*, 161–176. ² C. P. Casey, T. J. Burkhardt, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1974**, *96*, 7808–7809. ³ T. J. Katz, J. McGinnis, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1975**, *97*, 1592–1594. ⁴ a) R. H. Grubbs, P. L. Burk, D. D. Carr, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1975**, *97*, 3265 – 3267; b) R. H. Grubbs, D. D. Carr, C. Hoppin, P. L.Burk, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1976**, *98*, 3478–3483.

Nobel prize in 2005









Ring-closing metathesis (RCM)

Advantages:

• compatible with more fonctionnal groups

•double bond can be transformed into others fonctionnal groups

not affected into further stages

Disadvantages:

- control over stereochemistry of the double bond
- competition of intra / inter molecular process
- conditions of the reaction

Reaction conditions for RCM:

Solvents:



• Favored in the nonpolar solvent

• Toluene and dichloromethane were prefered

Others parametters:



- 1 to 25 mol% of catalyst
- 0.25 to 8 mM of concentration
- presence of N is not tolerated due to the electron pair
- stability of the final product (thermodynamic control)
- Temperature have effect of the isomer formation (E/Z)



- A (Grubbs I) is the cheapest, thermally unstable and fails to react with subtitued olefins
- B derivatives of A improve the kinetics of the initial reaction
- C and D (Grubbs II) given better results with substitued olefins and are most air-stable
- E (*Hoveyda-Grubbs*) and derivatives on aromatic groupment given the *third* generation catalyst
- F (*Schrock*) is highly reactive but sensitive to water, oxygen and to several functional groups

Mechanism of Alkene:



Chauvin's mechanism for alkene metathesis

Mechanism of RCM:



Macrocyclic lactones:

Macrocyclic structures with one or more ester linkages referred as macrolides

Generally, macrolides are very importante target due to their medicinal and biological activity.



E. A. Couladouros et al, Org. Lett. 2004, 6, 977-980

Macrocyclic lactones:

Synthesis Scheme:



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NMes

Ρh PCy₃

D

RCM to modele of salicylic macrolide



- exibited potent cytotoxic activity against various human cancer cell lines
- possess a labile enamide side chain, 12-menbered lactone and oxidation states

• many studies rely on a RCM strategy for constructing the lactone

Retrosynthetic Scheme:



H. Nemoto et al. Chem. Eur. J, 2008, 14, 5275-5281



| | Entry | OR | Cat (mol%) | Yield of <i>E</i> | Yield of Z |
|-----------------|-------|------|---------------------|-------------------|------------|
| | 1 | | A (5) | 64 | 0 |
| CI | 2 | | <mark>A</mark> (10) | 72 | 0 |
| A | 3 | Ц | <mark>A</mark> (20) | 78 | 0 |
| MesN. MMes | 4 | п | B (5) | 21 | 16 |
| | 5 | | C (5) | 10 | 11 |
| | 6 | | C (5) | 44 | 39 |
| B | 7 | | <mark>A</mark> (5) | 47 | 0 |
| MesN NMes | 8 | TBS | B (5) | 35 | 6 |
| | 9 | | C (5) | 30 | 6 |
| | 10 | Mo | <mark>A</mark> (5) | 38 | 0 |
| | 11 | IVIE | B (5) | 51 | 24 |
| ` c | 12 | | A (5) | 77 | 0 |
| | 13 | | B (5) | 51 | 29 |

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RCM for Blumiolide C:



• isolated in 2005 by El-Gamal et *al.* from the soft coral Xenia blumi

• have biological activies as antiproliferative, antiangiogenic, antibacterial effects.

• nine-menbered carbocyclic ring with Z double bond was the difficulties.

used a ring closing metathesis as key steps





K. H. Altmann et al. Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2008, 47, 10081-10085

RCM for Blumiolide C:

Synthesis Scheme:



only Z isomere!!!

Optimisation of reaction conditions for the RCM-based cyclisation:

| T°C | Т | Solvent | Additive | Yield (%) |
|-----|-------|----------------|----------|-----------|
| 60 | 2d | Toluene | BQ | 0 |
| 90 | 3d | Toluene | BQ | 66 |
| 90 | 3d | Toluene | - | 66 |
| 160 | 1.5h | Toluene | - | 60 |
| 190 | 1h | $o-Cl_2C_6H_4$ | - | 28 |
| 160 | 30min | $o-Cl_2C_6H_4$ | - | 0 |

Blumiolide was synthetised in a total of 27 steps with 1% overall yield

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RCM for Kendomycin:

• isolated from Streptomyces species



- have a potent endothelin receptor antagonist, antiosteoperotic compound, antibacterial and cytostatic activity.
- three total synthesis and one formal synthesis was descripted in literature
- The formation of the strained macrocyclic ansa-ring was the difficulty.
- used a ring closing metathesis as key steps

RCM for Kendomycin:

Synthesis Scheme: e:



Kendomycin was synthetised in a total 23 linear steps with 1.3% overall yield

RCM for Providencin:



• isolated in 1918 by Rodriguez group from the sea plume *Pseudopterogorgia Kallos*

- exhibits moderate antibacterial activity
- have the ring strain and the high density of oxygenated as synthetic difficulties

Retrosynthetic Scheme:



J. Mulzer. et al. Synlett, 2009, 9, 1357-1366

RCM for Providencin:

Synthesis Scheme:



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RCM for Oximidine:



- isolated from *Pseudomonas species* Q52002
- exhibits antitumor activity
- have a macrolactone, an epoxide and a diene E,Z





Oximidine II & III

J. A Porco et al. J. Am. Chem. Soc. 2003, 125, 6040 -6041

RCM for Oximidine:



D. J. Wallace, Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2005, 44, 1912 –1915

Relay for metathesis

The concept was first introduced by J. L Parrain



RCAM used in Macrolactonisation:



RCAM for the Epothilone:

Preparation of *Z* cycloalkenes:



A. Furstner, Chem. Comm. 2005, 2307 – 2320

RCAM for the Epothilone:

Preparation of *E* cycloalkenes:



Examples of macrolyde antibiotics formed by RCM











Conditions for RCM to give musk macrolides:



A. Gradillas, J. Pérez-Castells, Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. 2006, 45, 6086 – 6101

Conditions for RCM to give 11-to 20 macrolides:



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Conditions for RCM to give alkaloids:



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- very efficient method for macrocyclisation reactions
- use for numerous synthesis of natural product
- cannot be to control the stereoselectivity