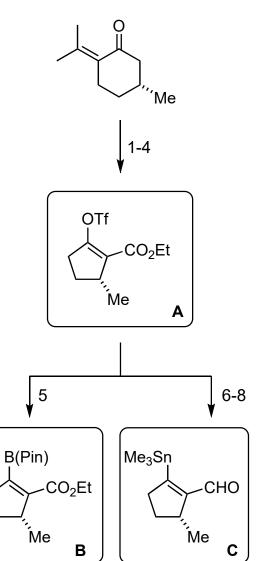
# A Short Synthesis of Delavatine A Unveils New Insights into Site-Selective Cross-Coupling of 3,5-Dibromo-2-pyrone

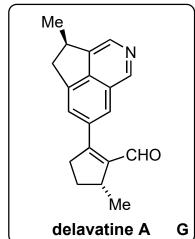
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- 1) Br<sub>2</sub>
- 2) EtONa
- 3)  $O_3$
- 4) LDA, Tf<sub>2</sub>O

- 5) Pd(dppf)Cl<sub>2</sub>, B<sub>2</sub>pin<sub>2</sub>
- 6) (Me<sub>3</sub>Sn)<sub>2</sub>CuLi
- 7) Dibal-H
- 8) TPAP, NMO

- 2) Show the mechanism of step 2. hint: A cyclopentane is formed
- 5) Which by-product must be avoided?
  Suzuki-coupling between vinyl triflate
  and vinyl-boronate
- 6) Propose two mechanisms
  Michael-retro-Michael or
  1,4-addtion followed by an E1cB or
  Oxidative addition-Reductive Elimination



9) Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, CuI, **B** 10) Pd(PPh<sub>3</sub>)<sub>4</sub>, CuTC, **C** 

11) NaCN, then K<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, Mel

12) TBSOTf, Et<sub>3</sub>N, then DBU, PhMe,  $\Delta$ 13) LiAlH<sub>4</sub> 14) (COCl)<sub>2</sub>, DMSO, Et<sub>3</sub>N 15) NH<sub>4</sub>OAc,

- 9) Give the name of steps 9 and 10 Suzuki-Cross-Coupling
- 10) Show the structure of CuTC

- 11) Show the mechanism of step 11 1,6-addition followed by a vinylogous retro-oxa-Michael
- 12) Show the mechanism of step 12

## Extra questions: Step 2

The relationship between oxyallyl cation and cyclopropanone is an equilibrium or a ressonance? answer: equilibrium It is an electrocyclization.

Conrotatory or disrotatory? Disrotatory

I want you to show me the mechanism of two reactions:

- an oxyallyl cation with an nucleophile;

Nucleophilic addition followed by enolate protonation

- with a diene: 4+3 cycloaddition

### Extra question: Step 4

Can you show two reagents to replace Tf<sub>2</sub>O? PhNTf<sub>2</sub> and Comins

### Extra question: Step 5

How to avoid the Suzuki? Avoid addition of base (doule check)

Me

### Extra questions: Step 6

Why is there a typical 1,4 vs 1,2 selectivity for organocuprates?

Cu-coordinates to the double bond  $\eta$ -2 complex, migratory insertion then reductive elimination

Explain the mechanistical difference between E1cB and a E2?

E2 is concerted whereas E1cB is stepwise, in which initially there is a conjugated base formation prior to the elimination of the leaving group

Consider the elimination of a homobenzyl halide in the presence of a base

$$X \xrightarrow{H} \underbrace{t\text{-BuOK}}_{Y}$$

For Y = EDG or weak EWG: E2 Mechanism (Me, MeO or CI)

For Y = strong EWG: E1cB (CN or  $NO_2$ )

Mention that in a Hammett-Plot this is a classical example of shift in inclination typical of shift in reaction mechanism

Extra questions: Step 9

What kind of selectivity is operating in step 9? regioselectivity

Extra questions: Step 10

What is the synthetic advantage of preparing two building blocks from the same synthetic intermediate?

There is an overrall reduction in the number of steps

Extra questions: Step 12

What is the role of DBU?

To eliminate the cyano after the electrocyclization

Extra questions: Step 15

Show the mechanism of step 15