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## Functionalization at C-4 of Heterocyclic Ketal Compound; 6,8-Dioxabicyclo[3.2.1]octane

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The functionalization of heterocyclic ketal 1 in the 6,8-dioxabicyclo[3.2.1]octane series is essential since the application of this ketal system to the direct syntheses of  $\delta_{\epsilon}$ -unsaturated ketone (2)<sup>1</sup>, 1,5-diketone (3)<sup>2</sup>, 2,6-disubstituted pyridine (4)<sup>3</sup>, 2,3,6-trisubstituted pyridine (5)<sup>4</sup> and *cis*-1,2-cyclopentanediol derivatives (6)<sup>5</sup> are developed (Scheme 1).

The position at C-4 of bicyclic ketal 1 is important to the synthesis of multistriation  $6^6$  and  $\alpha'$ -substituted cyclohexenone.<sup>7</sup> I report herein the facile functionalization at C-4 of bicyclic ketal compound.

There are two possible ways to introduce functional groups at C-4 of bicyclic ketal compound. Scheme 2 shows the introduction of acrolein or methyl vinyl ketone (MVK) at C-4 of bicyclic ketal during the cyclization of alcohol 8. MVK dimer 7 was methylated with MeLi to the carbinol 8 (98% yield). Hg(OAc)<sub>2</sub> was used for the formation of C<sub>4</sub>-Hg bond of bicyclic ketal 9 which was reacted with NaBH4 and acrolein to give Michael adduct 10 in 1:2 ratio of axial and equatorial isomers (42% vield).8 MVK was also used instead of acrolein to give the ketal 11 which shows 1:2 mixture of axial and equatorial isomers (58% yield). The configurational assignments of isomers of 10 and 11 are based on the chemical shift of the proton at C-4. The chemical shift of equatorial proton is more deshieled than axial proton.9 Irradiation of the 1.50 ppm signals for major-10 gave triplet at 1.78 and 1.34 from multiplet. Also, irradiation of the 1.63 ppm signals of minor-10 gave triplet at 1.70 and 1.35. This indicates that major-10 have axial proton and minor-10 have equatorial proton at C-4. Thus, major-10 can be assigned as equatorial-10 and minor-10 as axial-10 which is sterically









unfavorable because of 1,3-synaxial interaction. The chemical shift of 1.64 and 1.52 ppm signals at C-4 of isomers 11 indicate axial-11 (minor) and equatorial-11 (major) respectively.

Scheme 3 shows the introduction of bromine at C-4 of bicyclic ketal from the bicyclic ketal 1 directly. Bromination of acyclic acetals is shown to occur on the carbon atom  $\alpha$  to the functional group.<sup>10</sup> Accordingly, 1 was brominated with one equiv. of bromine in carbon tetrachloride for 7 hrs stirring at room temperature to obtain mono-brominated ketal 12 in 88% yield. With the addition of Na<sub>2</sub>CO<sub>3</sub>, the reaction was completed within 1 hr in quantitative yield. The product showed single peak on the capillary gas-liquid chromatogram. The chemical shift of 4.01 ppm signals at C-4 of this single isomer 12 could not indicate the exact configuration. But the single isomer 12 could be an equatorial-12 because of steric effect.

All of the functionalized ketals (10, 11 and 12) are useful intermediate for the C-C bond formation and other transformation reactions such as the synthesis of mouse Mus musculus pheromone.<sup>11</sup>

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Spectral data for equatorial-10: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>) δ 9.75 (1H, br s, CHO) 3.99 (1H, br s, C<sub>1</sub>-H), 2.48 (2H, t, *J*=7 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>CO), 1.95 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.78 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.50 (1H, m, axial C<sub>4</sub>-H), 1.40 (3H, s, OCCH<sub>3</sub>O), 1.34 (2H, br, t, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.31 (3H, s, endo-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.19 (3H, s, exo-CH<sub>3</sub>); IR: 1727 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Spectral data for axial-11: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.87 (1H, br s, C<sub>1</sub>-H), 2.44 (2H, t, *J*=7 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>CO), 2.12 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 1.90 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.72 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.52 (1H, m, axial C<sub>4</sub>-H), 1.42 (3H, s, OCCH<sub>3</sub>O), O), 1.37 (3H, s, endo-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.35 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.22 (3H, s, exo-CH<sub>3</sub>; IR: 1711 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Spectral data for equatorial-11: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  3.86 (1H, br s, C<sub>1</sub>-H), 2.46 (2H, t, J=7 Hz, CH<sub>2</sub>CO), 2.13 (3H, s, CH<sub>3</sub>CO), 1.90 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.80 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.52 (1H, m, axial C<sub>4</sub>-H), 1.42 (3H, s, OCCH<sub>3</sub>O), 1.35 (3H, s, endo-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.35 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.19 (3H, s, exo-CH<sub>3</sub>); IR: 1715 cm<sup>-1</sup>.

Spectral data for 12: <sup>1</sup>H-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  4.01 (1H, dd, C<sub>4</sub>-H), 3.95 (1H, br d, C<sub>1</sub>-H), 2.30 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.89 (2H, m, CH<sub>2</sub>), 1.59 (3H, s, OCCH<sub>3</sub>O) 1.41 (3H, s, endo-CH<sub>3</sub>), 1.30 (3H, s, exo-CH<sub>3</sub>); <sup>13</sup>C-NMR (200 MHz, CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$  107.3, 82.2, 80.6, 54.2, 30.1, 28.7, 27.4, 24.6, 20.9; MS: 154 (M<sup>+</sup>-HBr), 111, 93, 83, 77, 67, 55 (base), 41.

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