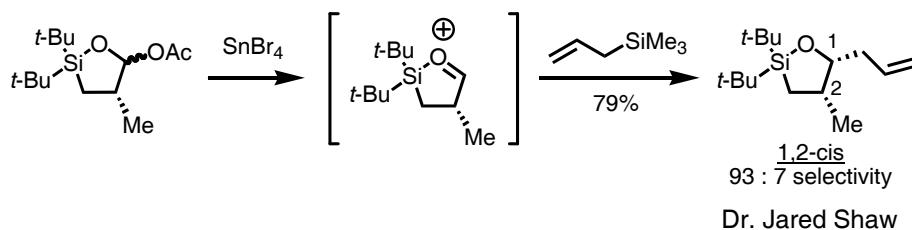
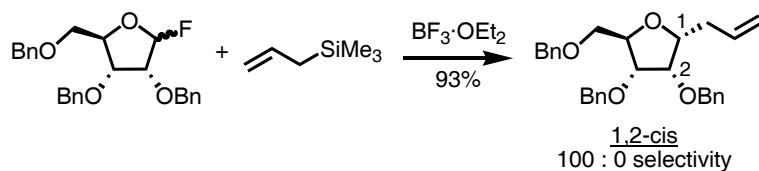


Reactions of Five-membered Ring Acetals



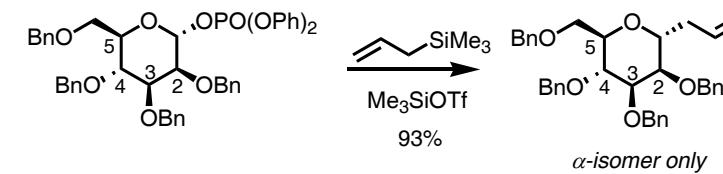
1,2-cis selectivity not unprecedented...



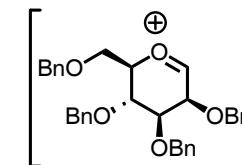
Ishido, Y. *Carbohydr. Res.* **1987**, 171, 125.

Why are these reactions selective?

Determining the Structure of the Mannosyl Cation

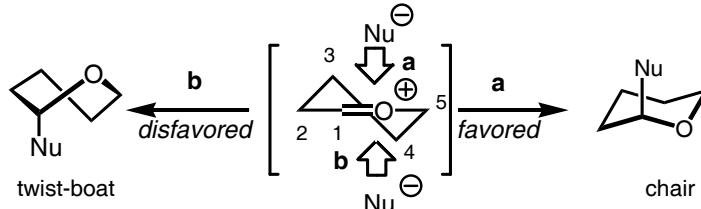


Oxocarbenium ions are likely intermediates:



How is this selectivity explained?

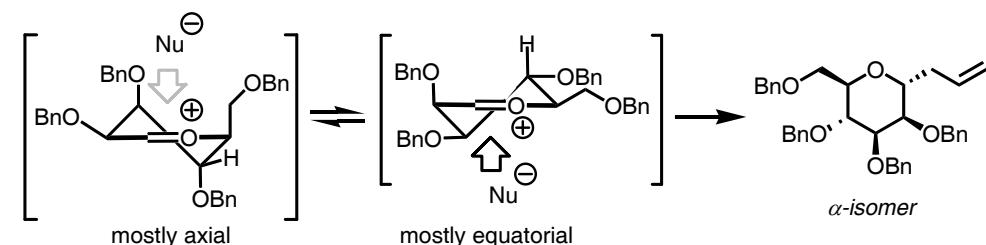
Stereoelectronic Effects and Reactions of Six-membered Ring Systems



(a) Deslongchamps, P. *Stereoelectronic Effects in Organic Chemistry*; Pergamon: New York, 1983, pp. 209-221.

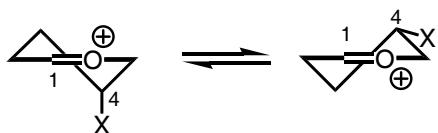
(b) Stevens, R. V. *Acc. Chem. Res.* **1984**, 17, 289.

C-Mannosylation Reactions: Insight into the Mannosyl Cation



Mostly equatorial isomer the major conformer in solution... or is it?

C-4 Alkyl versus Alkoxy: Calculations



$X = \text{Me}$, $\Delta G^\circ = -0.7 \text{ kcal/mol}$

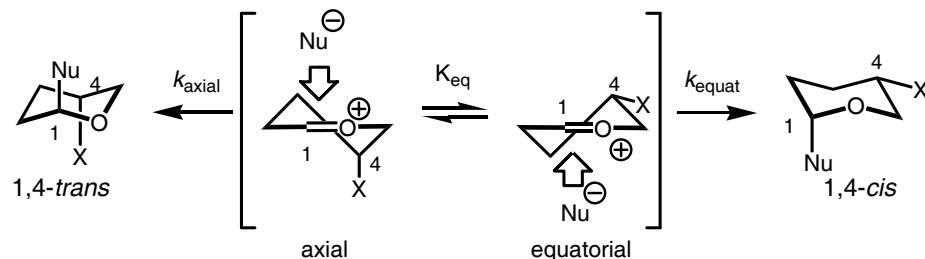
$X = \text{OH}$, $\Delta G^\circ = +4.7 \text{ kcal/mol}$

Woods, R. J.; Andrews, C. W.; Bowen, J. P. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, *114*, 859.

Miljkovic, M.; Yeagley, D.; Deslongchamps, P.; Dory, Y. L. *J. Org. Chem.* **1997**, *62*, 7597.

- Alkoxy groups axial due to electrostatic attraction of oxygen to the cationic carbon

Substituted Oxocarbenium Ions



Because steric interactions are similar in each case...

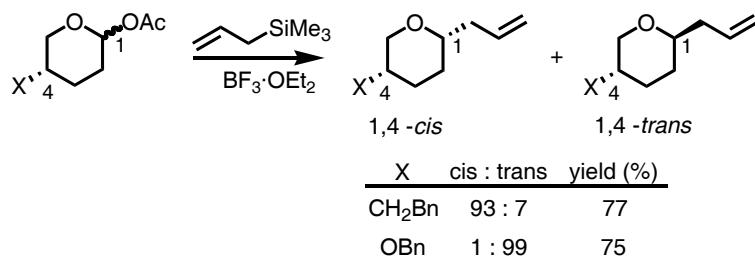
$$k_{\text{equat}} \approx k_{\text{axial}} \Rightarrow \text{product ratio} \approx K_{\text{eq}}$$

("Winstein–Hollness kinetic scenario")

Seeman, J. I. *Chem. Rev.* **1983**, *83*, 83.

$X = OR$ should give opposite product to reaction where $X = R$

C-4 Substituted Oxocarbenium Ions



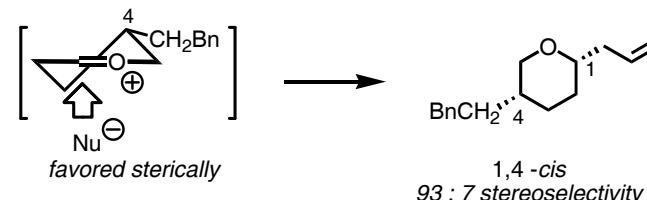
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Control experiments indicate that:

- Oxocarbenium ions are likely intermediates
- Ion-pairing effects do not control selectivity

Explanation of Selectivity

Alkyl:



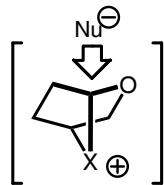
Alkoxy:



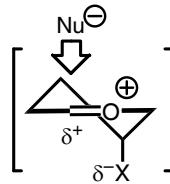
- Selectivity consistent with the calculated conformational preferences

Origin of Selectivity: Anchimeric Assistance or Electrostatic Effects?

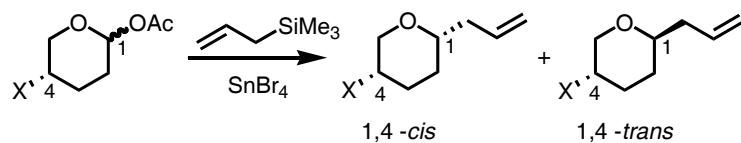
Is the heteroatom donating its lone pair to form a bridged structure...



... or do electrostatic effects hold the charged units together?



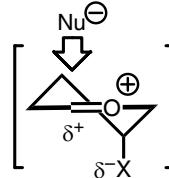
Results with Halogen Series



X	cis : trans	yield (%)
F	4 : 96	45
Cl	14 : 86	90
Br	29 : 71	87
I	72 : 28	90

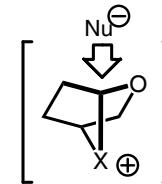
- Data consistent with electrostatic effects, not anchimeric assistance

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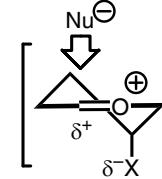
Halogen-Substituted Oxocarbenium Ions

If anchimeric assistance operates:



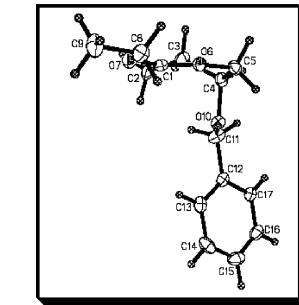
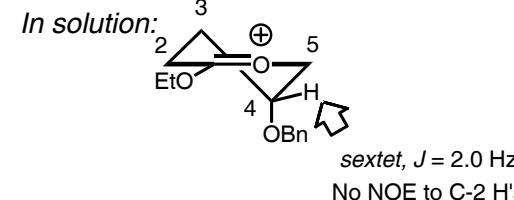
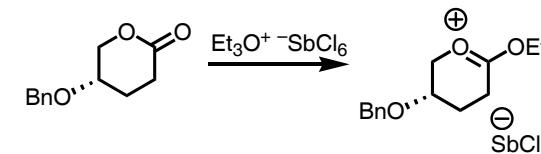
Trans selectivity: I > Br > Cl > F

If electrostatic effects operate:



Trans selectivity: F > Cl > Br > I

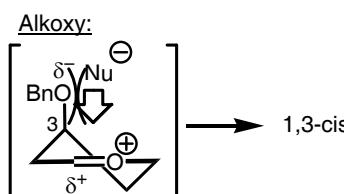
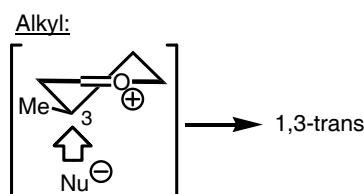
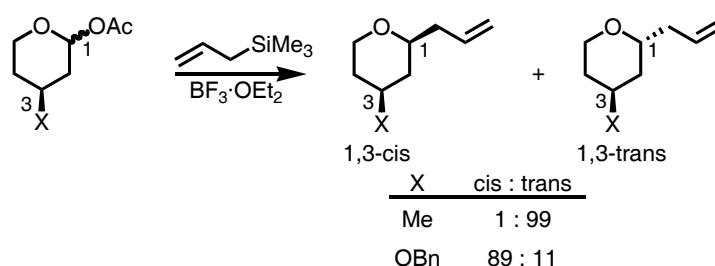
Structural Evidence for Conformational Preferences



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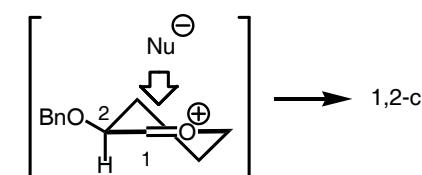
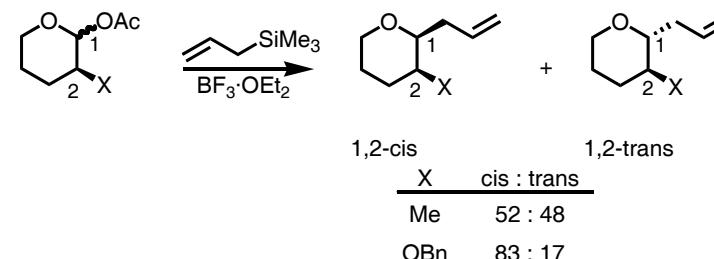
- Alkoxy-substituted dioxocarbenium ion prefers pseudoaxial conformation

Stereoselective Reactions of Other Alkoxy-Substituted Acetals



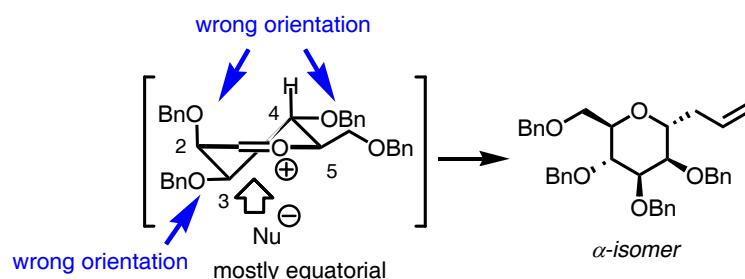
- C-3 alkoxy group favors axial orientation, likely by electrostatic effects

2-Substituted Acetals

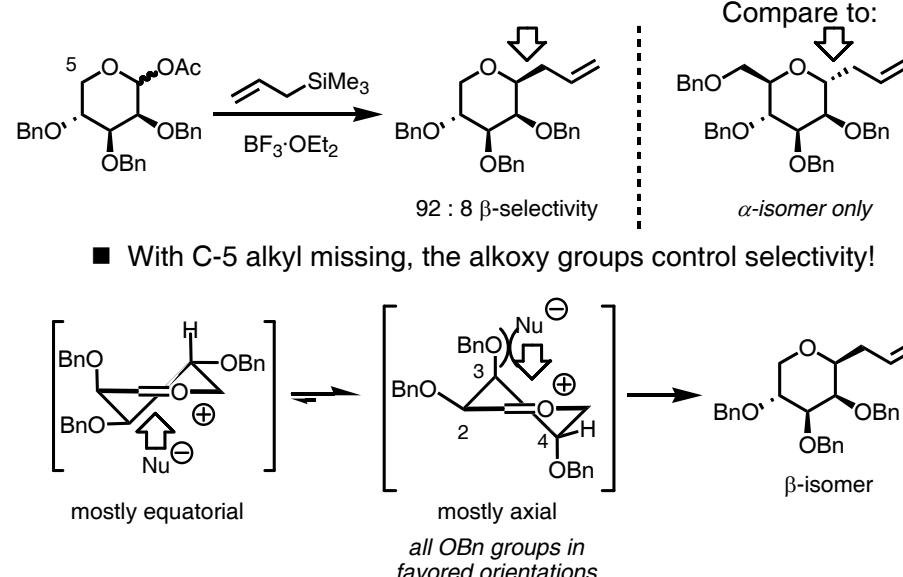


- Equatorial orientation favored by hyperconjugation of $\sigma_{C-H} \rightarrow \pi^*_{C-O}$

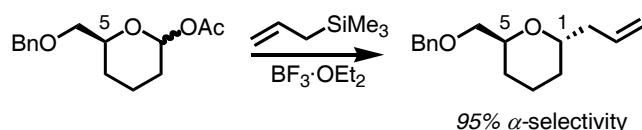
C-Mannosylation: Why is it Selective?



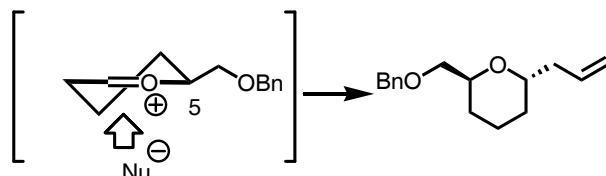
Reactions of Lyxose Derivatives



Influence of C-5 Substituent

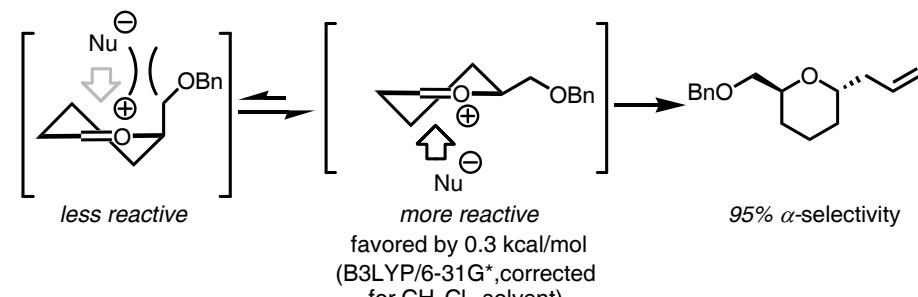


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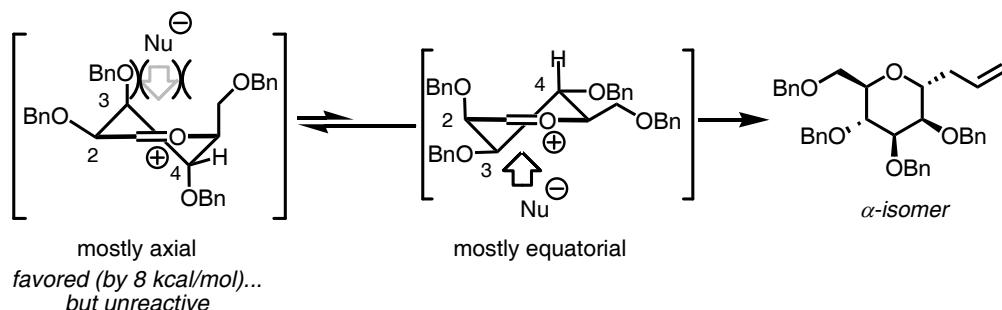
But is the preference for equatorial group at C-5 that high?

Curtin-Hammett Scenario



- C-5 alkoxy group equatorial favored, and reacts faster

Mannosylation Deconvoluted

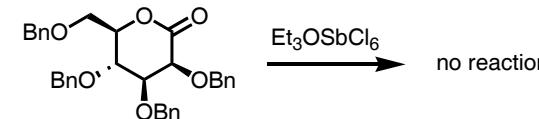


- Product formed from the more reactive, higher-energy conformer

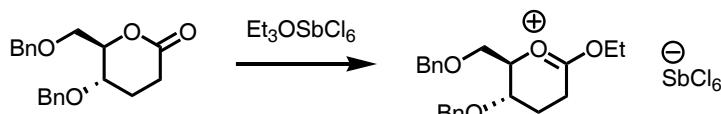
Curtin-Hammett scenario

Can we determine the structure of the mannosyl cation?

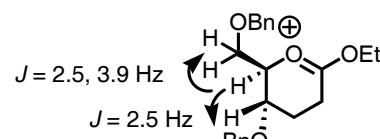
Structural Studies on Mannosyl Cation



Structure of Dideoxymannosyl Cation

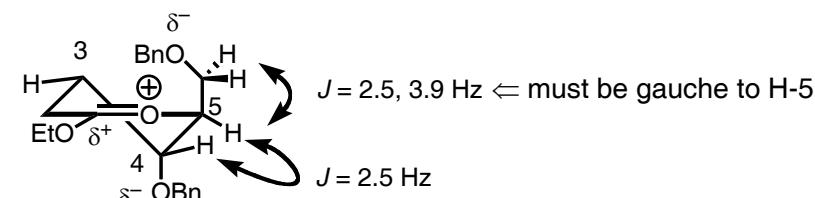


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Why are the J-values so small?

Structure of Dideoxymannosyl Cation

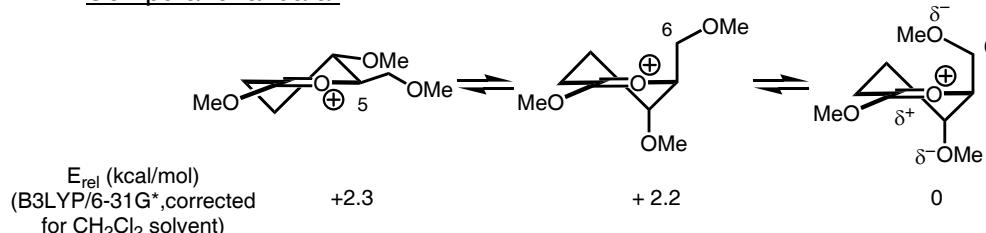


also W-coupling between H-5 and H-3 (1.5 Hz)

- C-5 alkoxymethyl group is axial and OBn is pointed over the ring!

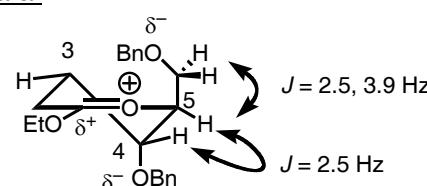
Calculations on Dideoxymannosyl Cation

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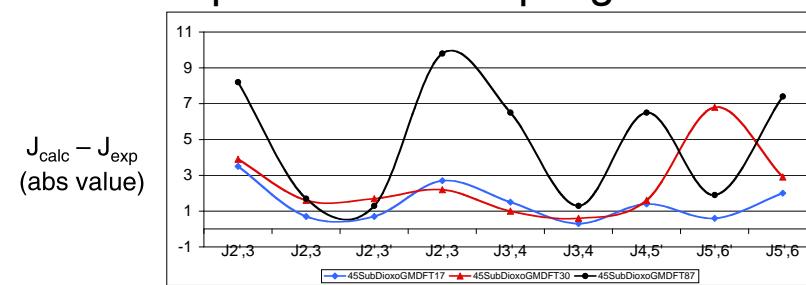


- The lowest energy structure maximizes electrostatic interactions

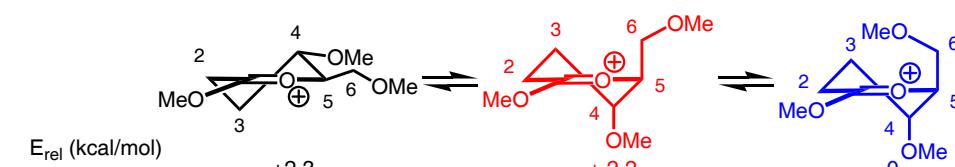
Experimental data:



Comparison of Calculated and Experimental Coupling Constants

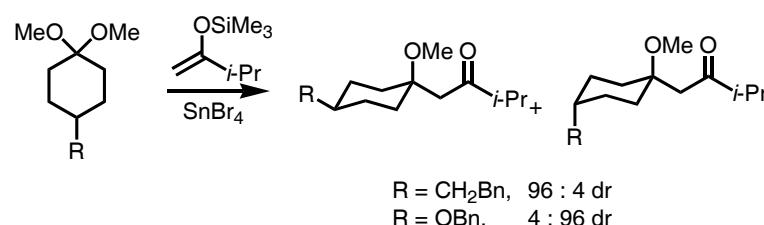


Vicinal Coupling Relationship

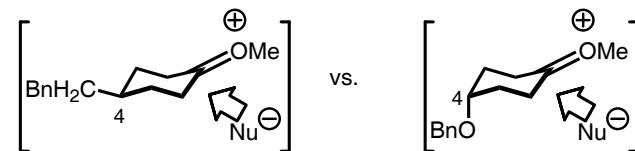


- Lowest energy structure fits the calculated coupling constants best

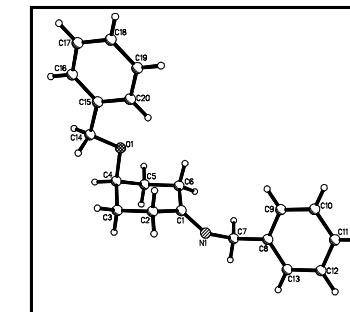
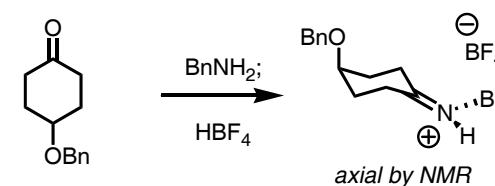
Electrostatic Effects in Exocyclic Oxocarbenium Ions



Larger nucleophiles attack equatorially...



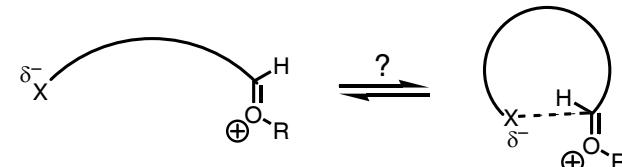
Structural Studies of Iminium Ions



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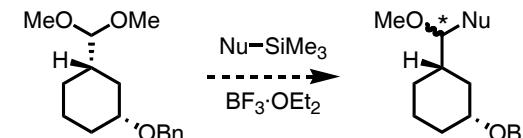
Electrostatic Effects in More Flexible Oxocarbenium Ions

Can electrostatic effects control conformations and reactivities of flexible oxocarbenium ions?



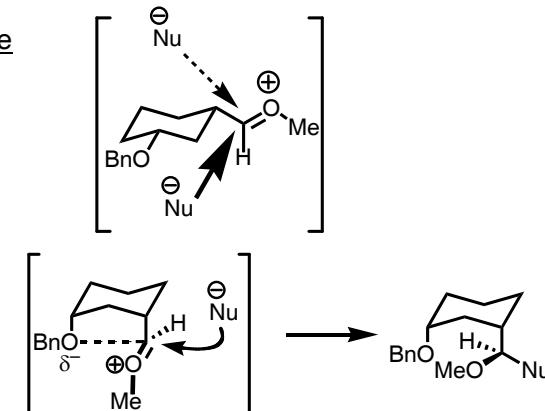
See: Molander, G. A.; Haar, J. P. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, *115*, 40-49.

Cis-Cyclohexane Derivatives

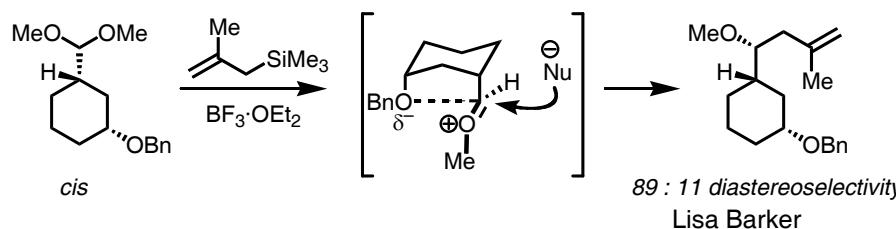


If diequatorial \Rightarrow unselective

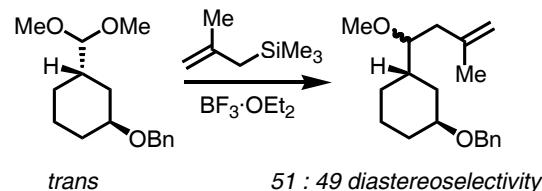
If diaxial \Rightarrow selective?



Electrostatic Effects in Acyclic Oxocarbenium Ions

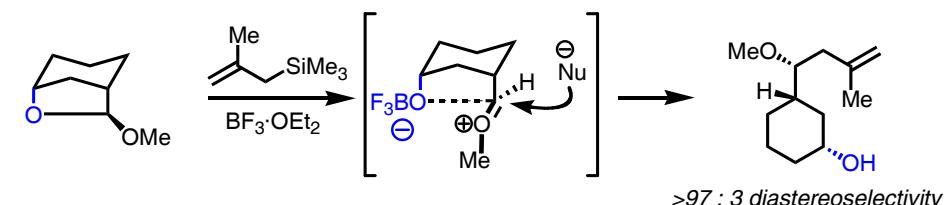


Control experiment:

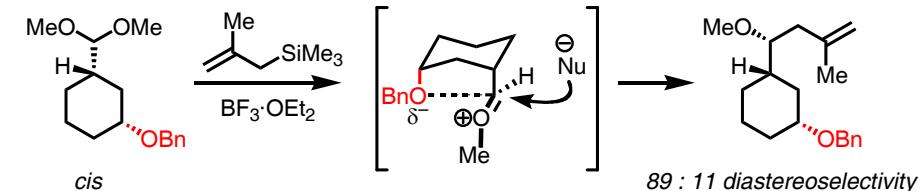


- Electrostatic effects can control selectivities in acyclic systems

Electrostatic Effects as Function of Substituent

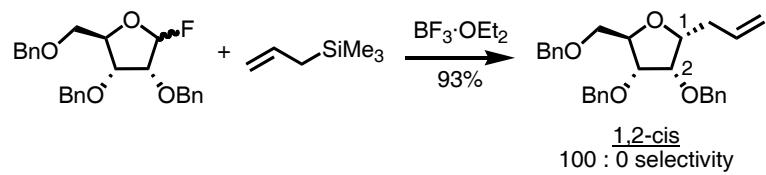
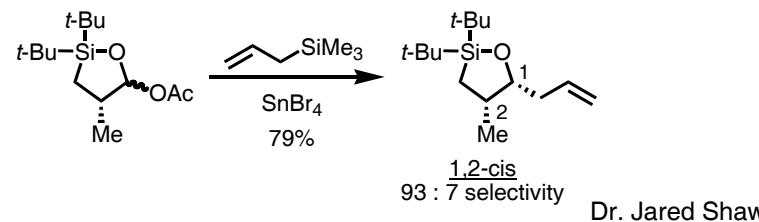


Recall...



- Maybe “F₃B–O” more electron-rich than Bn–O ?

Stereoselective Reactions of Five-membered Ring Systems



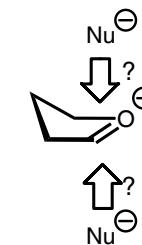
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How do we explain these selectivities?

Five-Membered Ring Oxocarbenium Ions

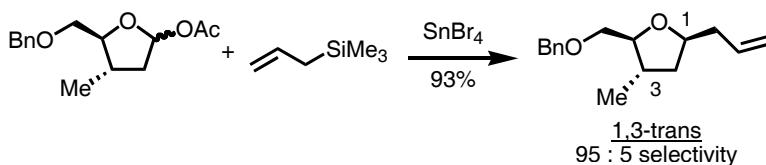
Problem:

No general model to understand the reactions of five-membered ring oxocarbenium ions had been reported!



Once an oxocarbenium ion is formed, which face is attacked?

Case Study: *trans*-3,4-Disubstituted Oxocarbenium Ions

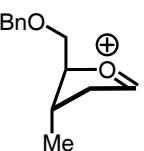


The cationic intermediate could exist in two conformers:

1. Diequatorial conformer

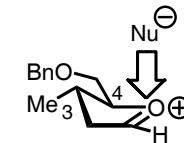


2. Diaxial conformer

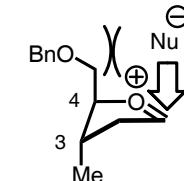


Two Modes of Attack are Consistent with Product Stereochemistry

1. Attack on the diequatorial conformer from “inside” the envelope



2. Attack on the diaxial conformer from “outside” the envelope

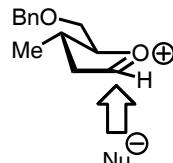


“Inside” attack on the diequatorial conformer avoids serious steric interactions

Stereoselectivity Cannot Be Only Steric Effect

Problem:

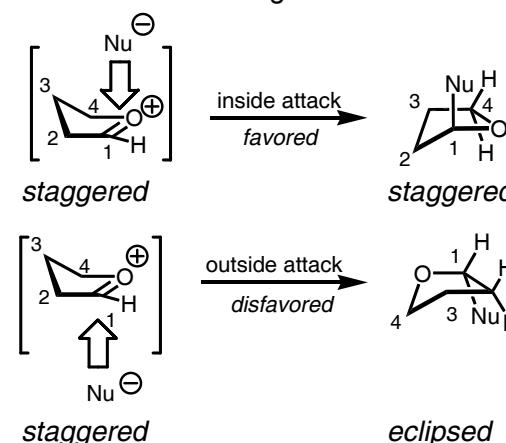
Why is “outside attack” on the diequatorial conformer so disfavored?



This mode of attack only forms 5% of the product!

Stereoelectronic and Torsional Effects

■ Analyze five-membered rings like six-membered ones...

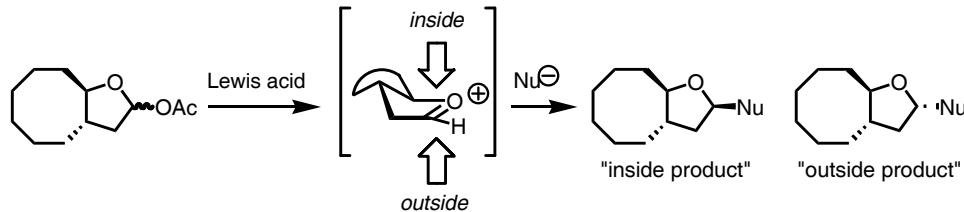


How could we disprove the preference for inside attack?

Bicyclic Oxocarbenium Ions

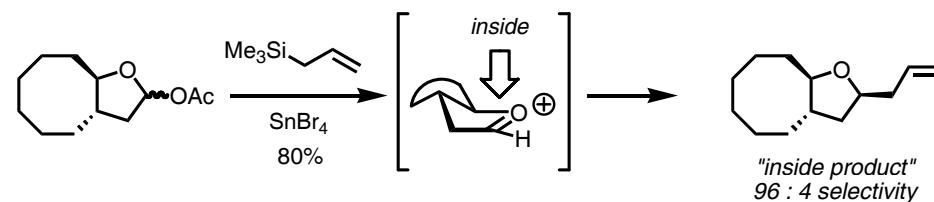
The idea:

A bicyclic oxocarbenium ion would reside in only one conformer



- Diastereoselectivity would give a quantitative measure of the stereoelectronic preference for inside attack versus outside attack

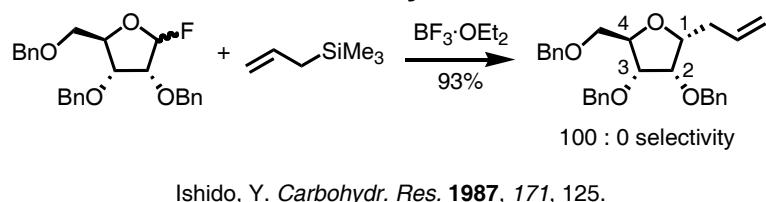
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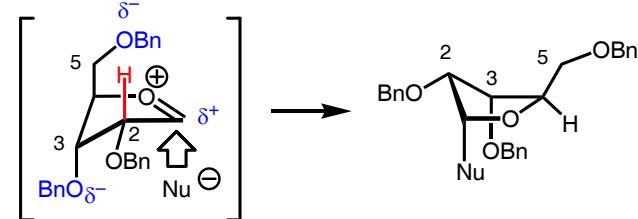
- Stereoelectronic preference for inside attack is about 1.1 kcal/mol at -78 °C

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Application of the Inside Attack Model: The Ribosyl Cation

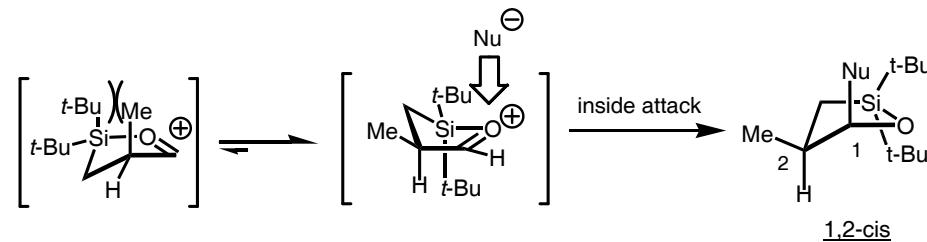
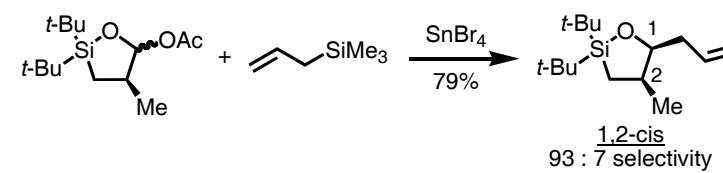


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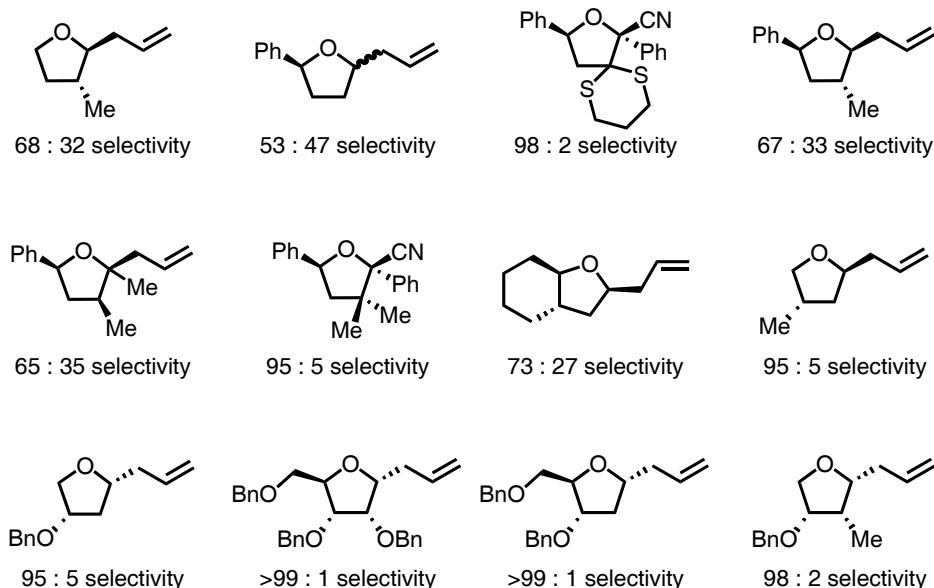
This structure maximizes electrostatic interactions and hyperconjugation

Oxasilacyclopentane Stereochemistry Explained

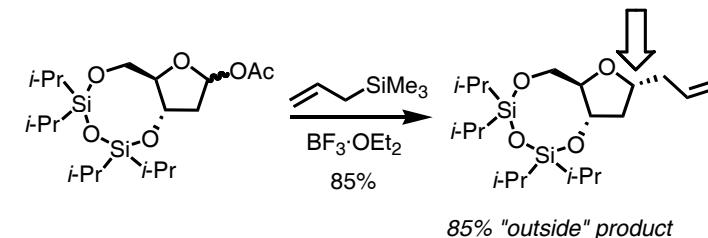


- Inside attack model is useful in a number of settings

Application of Inside Attack Model

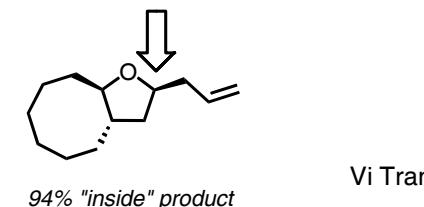


Exception to the Inside Attack Model



For hydride additions: Woski, S. A. *Org. Lett.* **1999**, 1, 1173.

Compare to:

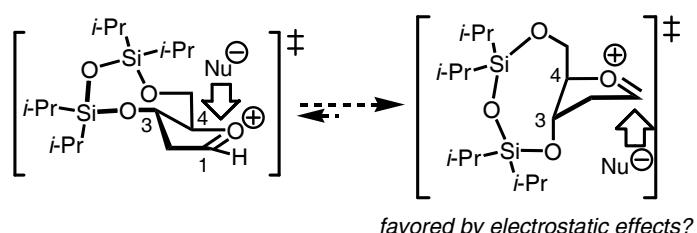


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Disiloxane-bridged Oxocarbenium Ion

Two possibilities:

1. Ring is more flexible



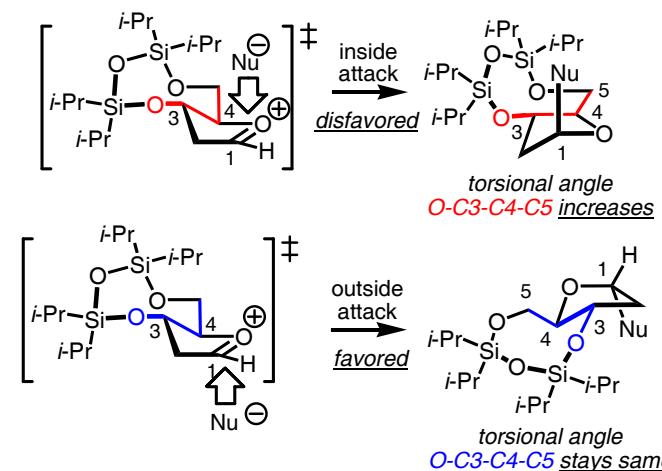
Satisfying... except:

- (1) Si–O–Si angle is ~155°
- (2) O–Si–O–Si–O linkage is planar

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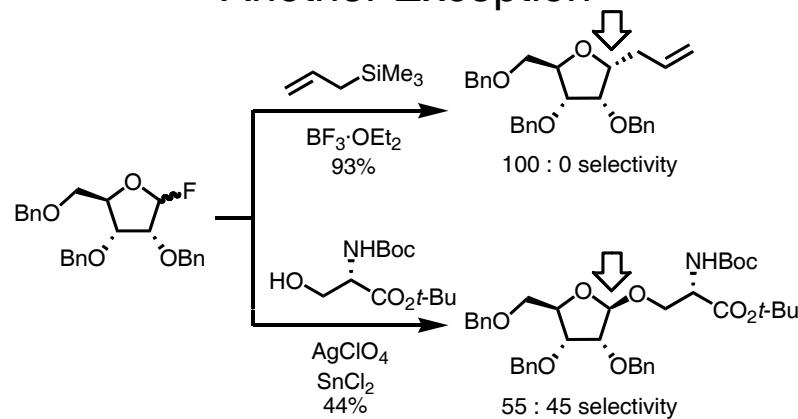
Disiloxane-bridged Oxocarbenium Ion

2. Ring is less flexible



- Rigidity of disiloxane ring may dictate motion of five-membered ring

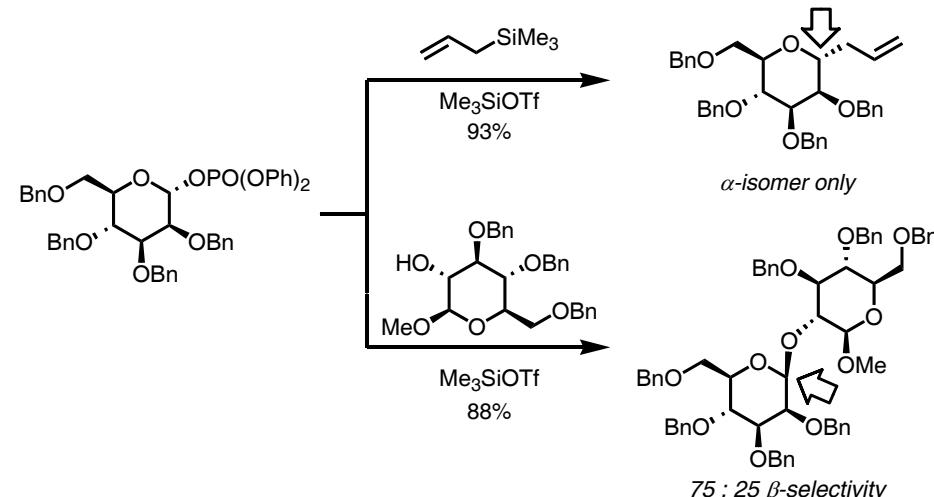
C-Ribosylation vs. O-Ribosylation: Another Exception



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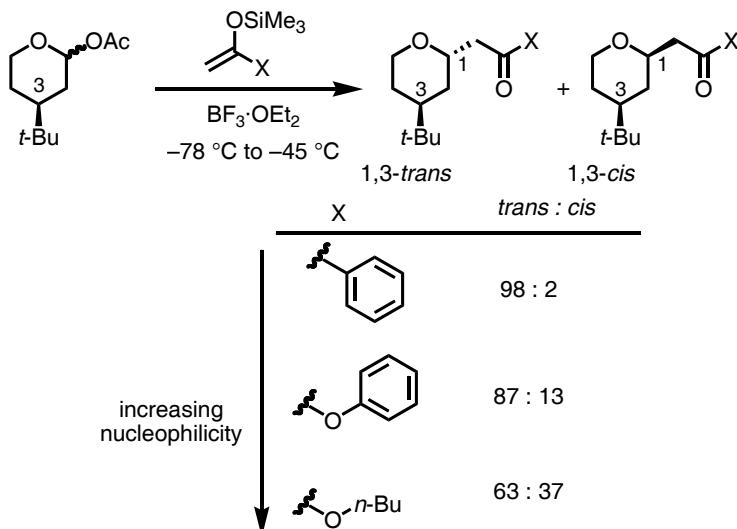
C-Mannosylation vs. O-Mannosylation



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Why does selectivity depend upon the nucleophile?

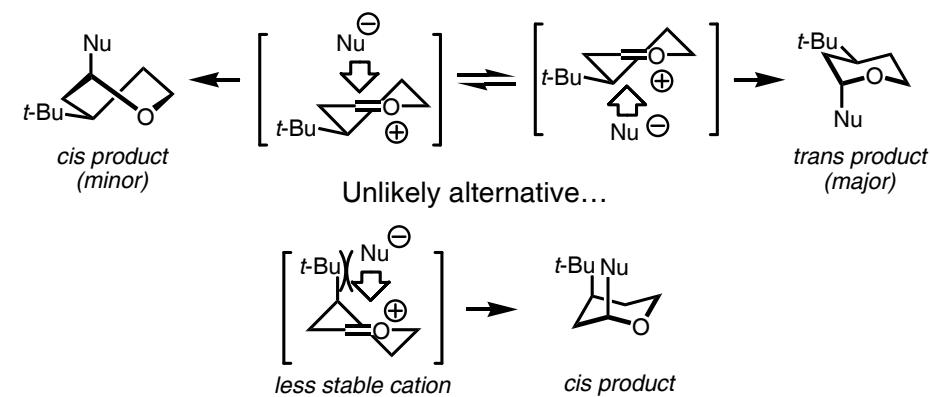
Selectivity as Function of Nucleophilicity



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Measures of nucleophilicity: Mayr, H. *Acc. Chem. Res.* **2003**, 36, 66-77.

Origin of Cis Products



cis products likely formed by stereoelectronically disfavored attack

Why does increasing nucleophilicity lead to stereoelectronically disfavored products?

Reactivity-Selectivity Principle

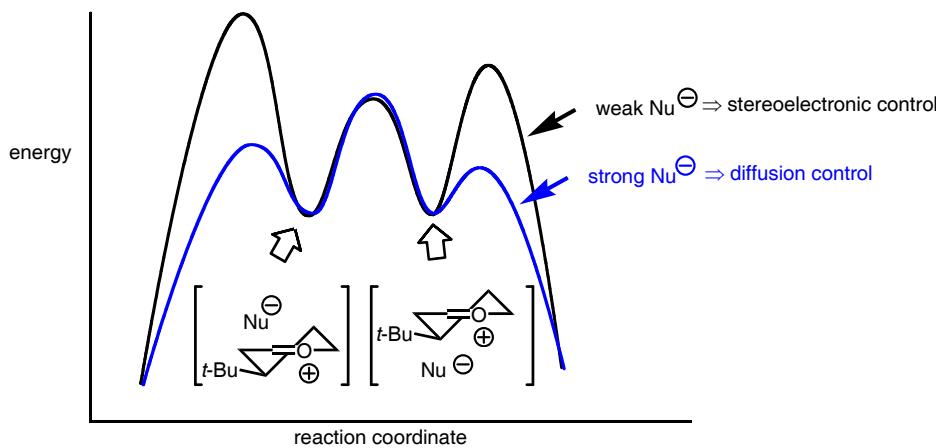
As reactants become more reactive, selectivities decrease

Intuitively appealing... but “constant selectivity” more common
(relative rate is independent of absolute rate)

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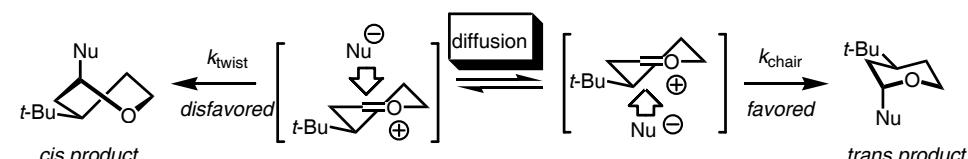
- Correlation between reactivity and selectivity only predictable as rates approach the diffusion rate limit

For Strong Nucleophiles, Bond Formation Faster than Diffusion



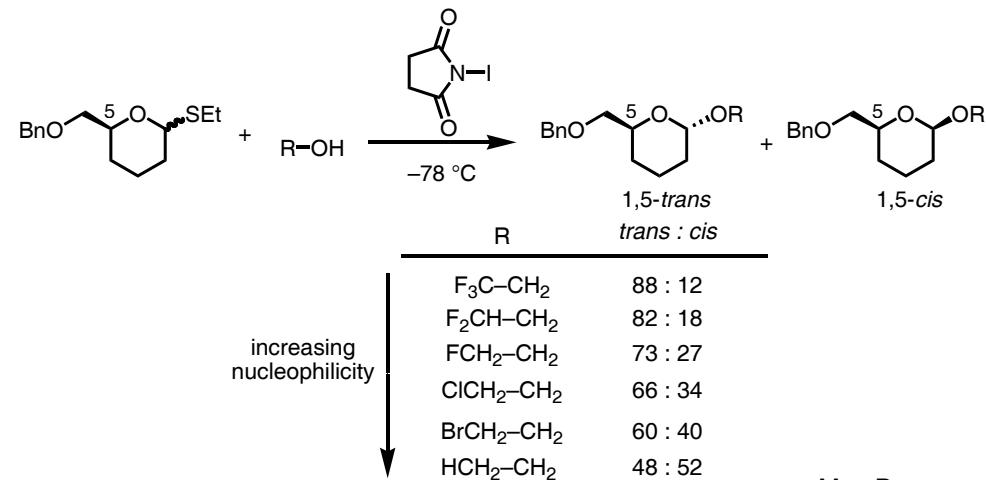
- As rate of nucleophilic attack approaches rate of diffusion \Rightarrow selectivity decreases

Why is Reaction with a Highly Reactive Nucleophile Unselective?



Stereoelectronic models assume diffusion is fast...
but what if it were not?

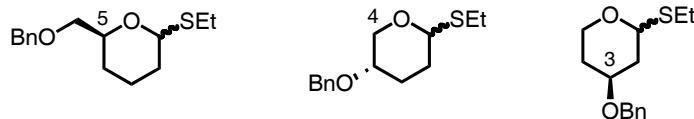
Selectivity as Function of Nucleophilicity: O-Glycosylation



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Correlation between reactivity and selectivity

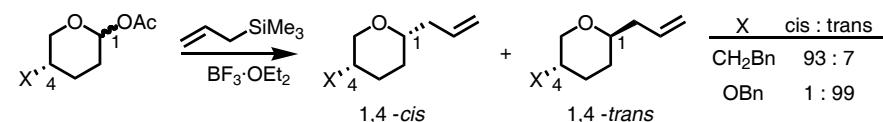
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- For $\text{F}_3\text{C}-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$, rate below diffusion limit \Rightarrow stereoelectronic control
- For $\text{H}_3\text{C}-\text{CH}_2\text{OH}$, rate near the diffusion limit \Rightarrow diffusion control
(see Jencks, W. P. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 7888)

Reactions of Oxocarbenium Ions

- Electrostatic effects influence the conformational preferences of heteroatom-substituted oxocarbenium ions



- Stereoelectronic effects determine which face of an oxocarbenium ion is attacked
- Consider interactions of nucleophiles with substituents when analyzing selectivities (Curtin–Hammett Principle)
- Reactions with highly reactive nucleophiles can occur at or near the diffusion rate limit

