Lewis Acid-Catalyzed Allylic Amination of Allylsilanes and Allylstannanes with
[N-(p-Toluenesulfonyl)imino]phenyliodinane

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The preparation of allylic amines has been an area of considerable activity in recent years due primarily to their key function as intermediate in organic synthesis,1 as well as their biological properties2 and their presence in several natural products.3 A number of synthetic methods for the preparation of allylic amines are now known.4 Some representative examples include nucleophilic allylic substitutions5 and allylic amination of alkenes.6

In the course of our studies on the development of new synthetic methods using hypervalent iodine compounds, we have reported the synthetic method for the preparation of β-keto phosphonates from silyl enol ethers using iodosobenzene,7 allylation of aromatic compounds by the reaction of allylsilane with aromatic compounds hypervalent iodine compound,8 aziridination of vinylphosphonates using [N-(p-toluenesulfonyl)imino]phenyliodinane (PhI=NTs),9 and transformation of allylsilanes into allylic amines using PhI=NTs.10 Herein we report the transformation of allylsilanes and allylstannanes into allylic amines using PhI=NTs as amination reagent in more details.

Table 1 shows that the Lewis acid catalyzed amination of allylsilanes and allylstannanes with PhI=NTs provided moderate yields of allylic amines in both polar and nonpolar media. The reaction rate and the efficiency are enhanced when more polar solvent, such as acetonitrile, is employed. In solvents of lower polarity such as methylene chloride and benzene, the reactions are substantially slower and some cases provide lower yields of products.

Amination of allylsilanes and allylstannanes with PhI=NTs did not proceed in the absence of Cu(OTf)_2. The yields when using catalytic Cu(OTf)_2 (10 mmol) as the Lewis acid were higher than using 1 equiv. of BF_3·OEt_2 (entry 1 and 3). In the presence of 10 mol % of Cu(OTf)_2, a slight excess of the PhI=NTs (1.5 equiv.) reacted with allylsilanes and allylstannanes (the stoichiometrically limiting component except in entry 3) to form the N-tosylallyl amines. The use of 10 mol % of Cu(OTf)_2 in acetonitrile at room temperature was found to be the optimal catalyst load-solvent combination for the amination of allylstannanes using PhI=NTs.

Table 1. Preparation of allylic amines from allylsilanes and allylstannanes

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*Yields are isolated ones. The reaction carried out using PhI=NTs (1 equiv) and excess allylstannane (5 equiv).

% of Cu(OTf)_2 in acetonitrile at room temperature was found to be the optimal catalyst load-solvent combination for the amination of allylstannanes using PhI=NTs. As shown in Table 1, the yields are moderate, however, small amounts of the \(p\)-toluenesulfonamide were observed. This is thought to arise from the decomposition of PhI=NTs under the reaction conditions.

On the basis of these results, we speculated that the reaction proceeds via allyliodine(III) intermediate (Scheme 2, a). The first step of the reaction is presumably the nucleophilic

![Scheme 1](image1)

![Scheme 2](image2)
attack of the allylic metals on electron deficient iodine atom of the activated PhI=NTs, yielding the reactive allyliodine intermediate followed by 1,2-shift of nitrogen to allylic amines. Another plausible mechanism of the reaction is route b in Scheme 2. The first addition product is the aziridine which undergo desilylation (destannulation) to afford the allylic amines.

In summary, we have developed a new synthetic procedure for the preparation of allylic amines from allylsilanes and allylstannanes using PhI=NTs as the catalyst.

Experimental Section

General. $^1$H NMR spectra were recorded on a Bruker AC 200 spectrometer using tetramethylsilane as an internal standard. Chemical shifts are measured in part per million (δ) and coupling constants, J, are reported in Hz. Multiplicity was simplified as s = singlet, br = broad, d = doublet, t = triplet, dt = double triplet, and m = multiplet. All reactions were carried out under nitrogen atmosphere. Acetonitrile and benzene were distilled from calcium hydride and stored over 4 Å molecular sieve. Acetonitrile and benzene were distilled from calcium hydride and stored over 4 Å molecular sieve. Methylene chloride was refluxed over 4 Å molecular sieve. Methylene chloride was refluxed over 4 Å molecular sieve. The filtrate was concentrated in vacuum. The residue was purified by silica gel column chromatography to give N-tosyl allyl amines.

N-allyl-p-toluenesulfonamide (3a). $^1$H NMR (CDCl$_3$) δ 7.70 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 7.24 (d, J = 8.3 Hz, 2H), 5.70-5.59 (m, 1H), 5.20-5.00 (m, 2H), 4.52 (br, 1H), 4.02 (s, 2H). $^{13}$C NMR (CDCl$_3$) δ 143.5, 138.3, 131.2, 129.5, 127.0, 126.9, 48.9, 30.1, 24.4, 21.4, 19.3.

References


