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Abbreviations

| | | | |
|-----------|--|---------------|-------------------------------------|
| Å | angstrom | ΔG | Gibbs free energy change |
| Ac | acetyl | h | hour(s) |
| aq. | aqueous | HF | Hartree-Fock |
| Ar | aryl | HFIP | 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro |
| AT | atom transfer | | -2-propanol |
| B | base | HMPA | hexamethylphosphoramide |
| BE | bond energy | HOMO | highest occupied molecular orbital |
| Bn | benzyl | Hz | hertz |
| Bp | boiling point | <i>i</i> | iso |
| bs | broad singlet | IP | ionization potential |
| BTF | benzotrifluoride | IPA | isopropyl alcohol |
| Bu | butyl | <i>J</i> | coupling constant (in NMR) |
| °C | degrees Celsius | k, K | kilo |
| C | carbon | L.A. | Lewis acid |
| cat. | catalyst(s) | LDA | lithium diisopropyl amide |
| CNDO | complete neglect of differential overlap | LUMO | lowest unoccupied molecular orbital |
| COSMO | conductor-like screening model | m | multiplet (spectral) |
| CP | complex | M | moles per liter, metal |
| d | doublet (spectral), day(s) | MC | Monte Carlo |
| <i>de</i> | diastereomeric excess | <i>m</i> CPBA | meta-chloroperbenzoic acid |
| DFT | density functional theory | MD | molecular dynamics |
| DIBAL | diisobutylaluminum hydride | Me | methyl |
| δ | chemical shift in parts per million down field | min. | minute(s) |
| EA | electron affinity | ml | milliliter |
| <i>ee</i> | enantiomeric excess | MM | molecular mechanics |
| EN | electronegativity | MO | molecular orbital |
| eq. | equivalent | mol | mole(s) |
| Et | ethyl | <i>n</i> | normal |
| ET | electron transfer | NMR | nuclear magnetic resonance |
| ether | diethylether | NOE | nuclear Overhauser effect |
| ΔE | electronic energy change | Nu | nucleophile |

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|----------------|-------------------------------|-------------|--------------------------------------|
| PCM | polarized continuum model | <i>t</i> | tertiary |
| PD | product | TBDMS | <i>tert</i> -butyldimethylsilyl |
| Ph | phenyl | TBHP | <i>tert</i> -butylhydroperoxide |
| ppm | parts per million | <i>tert</i> | tertiary |
| Pr | propyl | Tf | triflate |
| q | quartet (spectral) | TFA | trifluoroacetic acid |
| R | alkyl | TFAA | trifluoroacetic anhydride |
| R _f | fluoroalkyl | TFPA | trifluoroperacetic acid |
| R _H | alkyl | THF | tetrahydrofuran |
| RT | reactant | TLC | thin layer chromatography |
| r.t. | room temperature | TMS | trimethylsilyl, tetramethylsilane |
| s | singlet (spectral), second(s) | TS | transition state |
| sat. | saturated | vdW | van der Walls |
| t | triplet (spectral) | | |

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Chapter 1

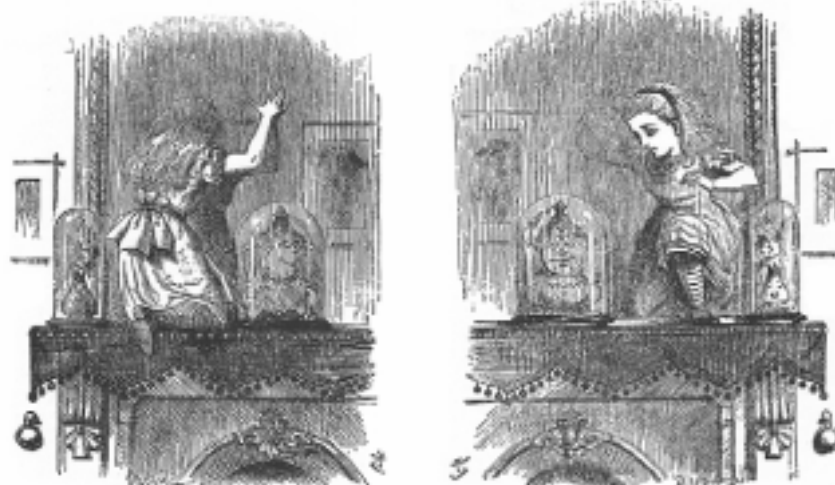
General Introduction

1-1. Introduction.

The synthesis of organofluorine compounds has attracted explosive interest in recent years owing to the anomalous physical properties and less availability of these compounds (Art 1-1).¹ In the synthesis that fluorine atoms are introduced in the number of 1 or 3 and in specific absolute configuration, these organofluorine compounds exhibit particularly high physiological activity and remarkable physical properties, when used in medicines, liquid crystals, and other materials.²

Hydro-Carbon Chemistry

Fluoro-Carbon Chemistry



Art 1-1. Oh, Kitty, how nice it would be if we could only get through into **Fluoro-Carbon Chemistry!** I'm sure it's got, oh! such beautiful things in it!

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A liquid crystal such as TFMHPOBC [4-{1-(trifluoromethyl)hexyloxycarbonyl}phenyl-4'-octyloxybiphenyl-4-carboxylate] is an interesting example (Figure 1-1). TFMHPOBC shows an anti-ferroelectric SmC_A^* liquid crystalline phase, while mono- or difluoro analogues, in sharp contrast, exhibit a ferroelectric SmC^* phases.³ Additional methyl group in TFMHPOBC shows a significant effect to stabilize a bent conformation for SmC_A^* phase (*anti*- β -Me-TFMHPOBC), while the diastereomer (*syn*- β -Me-TFMHPOBC) shows SmC^* phase.⁴

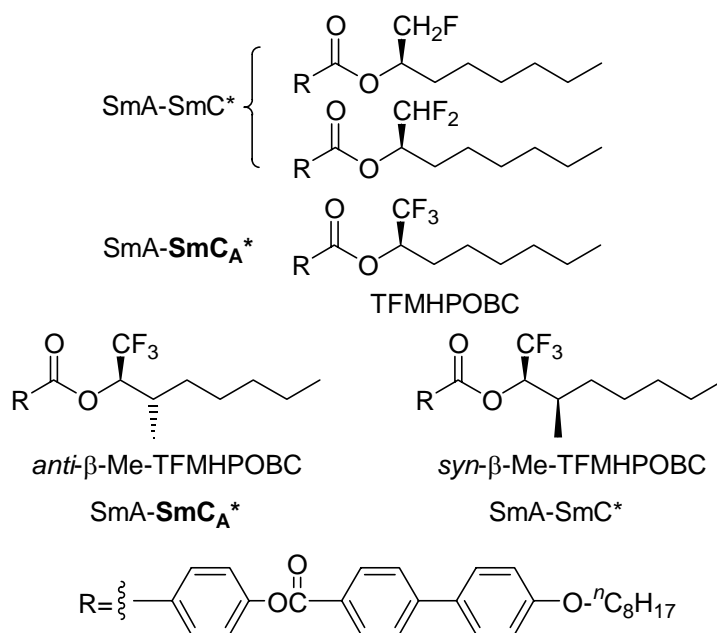


Figure 1-1. Remarkable effect of CF_3 group in the fluorine-containing liquid crystals.

9-Fluorohydrocortisone acetate is the first successful example of fluorinated drug in the modern and hence designed medicinal chemistry (Figure 1-2).⁵ Fried clearly showed the effectiveness of fluorination to enhance biological activity and to improve the versatility. The recent anti-allergy agent Fuluticason propionate for fey fever (kafun-sho, in Japanese) is a further fluorinated analogue.⁶

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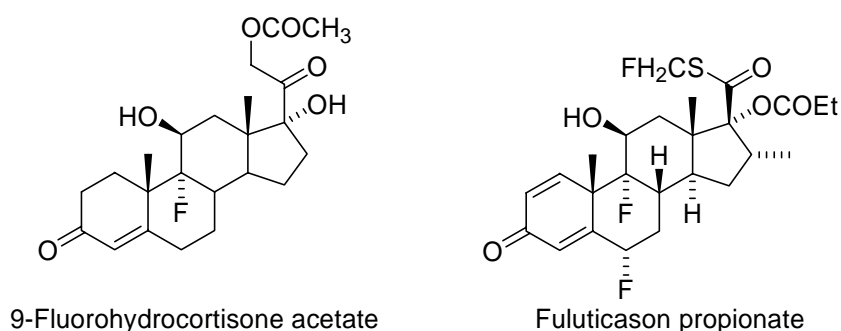


Figure 1-2. The first and recent examples of fluorinated cortisone.

1-2. General characteristics of organofluorine compounds

Important properties of fluorine atom and effects of the fluorine-containing compounds are as follows.

- (1) Steric effect: F is not sterically demanding and has the smallest van der Waals (vdW) radius apart of H.
- (2) Electronic effect: F has the largest electronegativity.
- (3) Bond energy: C-F bond is much stable toward metabolic transformations.
- (4) Lipophilicity: Large lipophilicity assists to distribute the fluorine-containing compounds in living organisms.
- (5) Hydrogen bonding: Lone electron pair of F readily participates in hydrogen bonding as an acceptor.
- (6) PET (positron emission tomography): A short lived isotope ^{18}F ($t_{1/2} = 110$ min) is useful for PET analyses.

1-2-1. Properties of the fluorine atom.

The vdW radius of fluorine is the smallest after hydrogen, and the closest to that of oxygen. On the other hand, the size of CF_3 is relatively large, in the order of $\text{Me} < {}^i\text{Pr} < \text{CF}_3 < {}^t\text{Bu}$.^{7,8} In estimating the size of the substituent group based on single bond rotational barriers of biphenyl derivatives, CF_3 is approximately equivalent to ${}^i\text{Pr}$, and hence, in sharp contrast to the small vdW radius of fluorine, a rather bulky substituent (Figure 1-3).⁹

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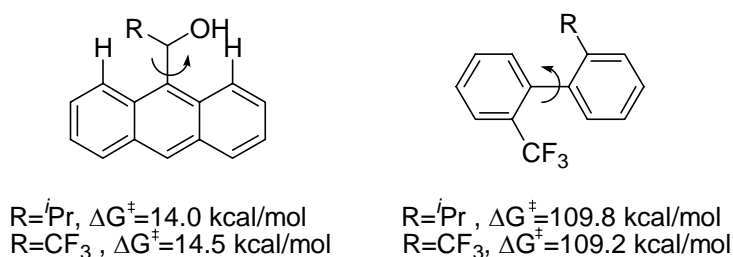


Figure 1-3. Energy barriers of the single bond rotation.

As shown in Table 1-1,¹⁰ fluorine atom has the highest electronegativity (EN) among all elements. The ionization potential (IP) is the highest except for those of helium and neon. Therefore, electrons are drawn strongly towards the fluorine nucleus. For this reason, the electron dipole of fluorine atoms is small, and as a result, intermolecular vdW attractive force between fluorine-containing compounds is small. The C-F bond has much greater bond energy than the C-H or C-X (X=Br, Cl) bonds. The Si-F bonding energy is even higher (141 kcal/mol) and hence sometimes employed as a driving force for the generation of a nucleophile (Nu⁻) from Si-Nu.

Table 1-1. Several properties of H, F, Cl, and O (OH).

| | IP (kcal/mol) | EA (kcal/mol) | vdW radius (Bondi) (Å) | EN (Pauling) | BE CH ₃ -X (kcal/mol) | CH ₃ -X (Å) |
|--------|------------------|------------------|---------------------------|-----------------|-------------------------------------|---------------------------|
| H | 313.6 | 17.7 | 1.20 | 2.1 | 99 | 1.09 |
| F | 401.8 | 79.5 | 1.47 | 4.0 | 116 | 1.39 |
| Cl | 299.0 | 83.3 | 1.75 | 3.0 | 81 | 1.77 |
| O (OH) | 310.4 | 33.7 | 1.52 | 3.5 | 86 | 1.43 |

IP=Ionization potential, EA=Electron affinity, EN=Electronegativity, BE=Bond energy

Lone electron pair of a fluorine atom can also play a significant role in hydrogen bonding. Although 2-fluorophenol is considered to have two conformations, *syn* and *anti*, only the *syn* conformation has been observed (by microwave spectrometry) (Figure 1-4).¹¹ The fact that the H-F distance in the *syn* conformation is 2.235 Å, which is smaller than the sum of the vdW radii of hydrogen and fluorine atoms (2.67 Å), is considered to be a proof for hydrogen bonding between OH and F (Figure 1-4, a). Among the enol forms of 2-fluoroacetaldehyde, a *Z,syn* conformer is calculated at MP2

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level to be 3.2 kcal/mol more stable by hydrogen bonding between C=C-OH and F than a *Z,anti* isomer (Figure 1-4, b).¹²

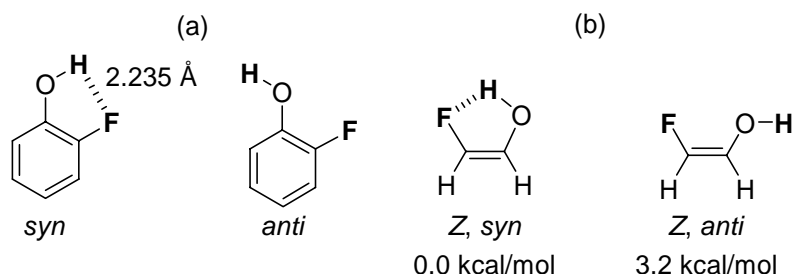


Figure 1-4. Hydrogen bonding effect of fluorine-containing compounds.

In a similar way to hydrogen bonding, the fluorine atom can coordinate to metals. The interaction between the metal and fluorine atom can be confirmed by the difference (Δ) between the metal fluorine distance determined by X-ray crystal analyses¹³ and the sum of the vdW radius of fluorine and atomic radii of the metal (r_F+r_M) (Table 1-2). The large negative values of ' $\Delta/(r_F+r_M)$ ' for main group element, Al (-35.6%) and early transition metal, Ti (-27%) indicate the strong interactions and hence short bond lengths between the metals and fluorine atom.

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Table 1-2. Comparison of the M-F length with the sum of the vdW radii of fluorine and atomic radii of the metal.

| | Li | Na | K | Cs | Al | Ti |
|-----------------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| M-F (=A) (Å) ^a | 2.23-2.29 | 2.15-2.91 | 2.67-3.39 | 2.87-3.61 | 1.77-1.81 | 2.03-2.10 |
| rF+rM (=B) (Å) ^b | 2.92 | 3.26 | 3.70 | 4.07 | 2.78 | 2.82 |
| Δ: A-B (Å) | -0.66 | -0.73 | -0.67 | -0.83 | -0.99 | -0.76 |
| Δ/B (%) | -22.6 | -22.4 | -18.1 | -20.4 | -35.6 | -27.0 |
| | Zr | Hf | Sn | Zn | Pd | Ag |
| | 1.94-2.18 | 2.31-2.38 | 2.05-2.46 | 2.80 | 3.13-3.16 | 2.64-2.72 |
| | 2.95 | 2.94 | 2.93 | 2.72 | 2.72 | 2.79 |
| | -0.89 | -0.60 | -0.68 | +0.08 | +0.43 | -0.11 |
| | -30.2 | -20.4 | -23.2 | +2.90 | +15.8 | -3.90 |

^a Determined by X-ray crystal structure.^b Sum of vdW radius of F and atomic radius of M.

The chelate stabilization of alkaline metal enolates of 2-fluoroacetaldehyde has been computationally analyzed. The Z(O), *syn*-enolate conformer is calculated to be 11-14 kcal/mol more stable due to a strong chelate structure between H and Li, Na, or K than a Z(O), *anti*-isomer. The chelate structure is also suggested by the shorter M-F bond lengths for Li: 1.86 Å; Na: 2.21 Å; K: 2.62 Å (Table 1-3).¹⁴

Table 1-3. Chelate stabilization of alkaline metal enolates of 2-fluoroacetaldehyde.

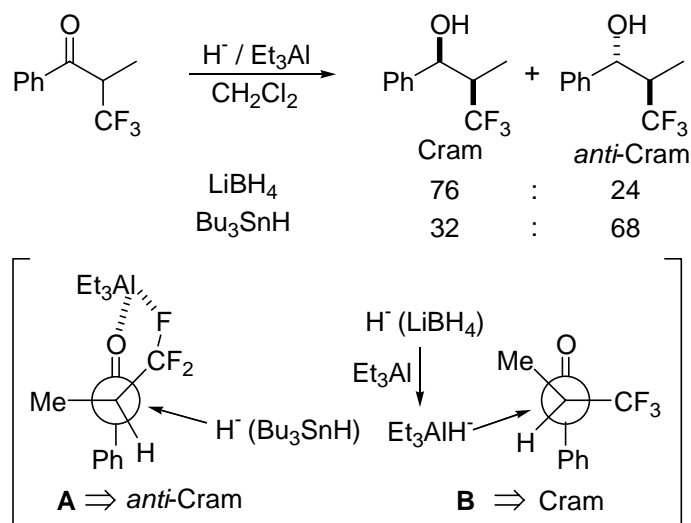
| M | ΔE(<i>anti-syn</i>) (kcal/mol) | M-F (<i>syn</i>) (Å) |
|----|----------------------------------|------------------------|
| | 1.8 | |
| Li | 13.2 | 1.86 |
| Na | 13.6 | 2.21 |
| K | 10.8 | 2.62 |

The M-F chelate structures may control the stereoselectivity of reactions with fluorine-containing compounds, but examples are still limited.

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One typical example is the reduction of 3,3,3-trifluoro-2-methyl-1-phenylpropan-1-one.¹⁵ Reversal of the stereoselectivity was observed by the use of LiBH_4 vs. Bu_3SnH in the presence of AlEt_3 (Scheme 1-1). The cyclic intermediate **A** may be formed in the presence of AlEt_3 , prior to the addition of a reducing reagent. With Bu_3SnH , the reduction proceeds through the cyclic intermediate **A** to give the *anti*-Cram selectively. On the other hand, with LiBH_4 , hydride can attack the aluminum reagent to destroy the cyclic intermediate to form **B**. As a result, bulky hydride complex may be generated *in situ*, and the reduction takes place through the Felkin-Anh model, giving the Cram isomer selectively.

Scheme 1-1.

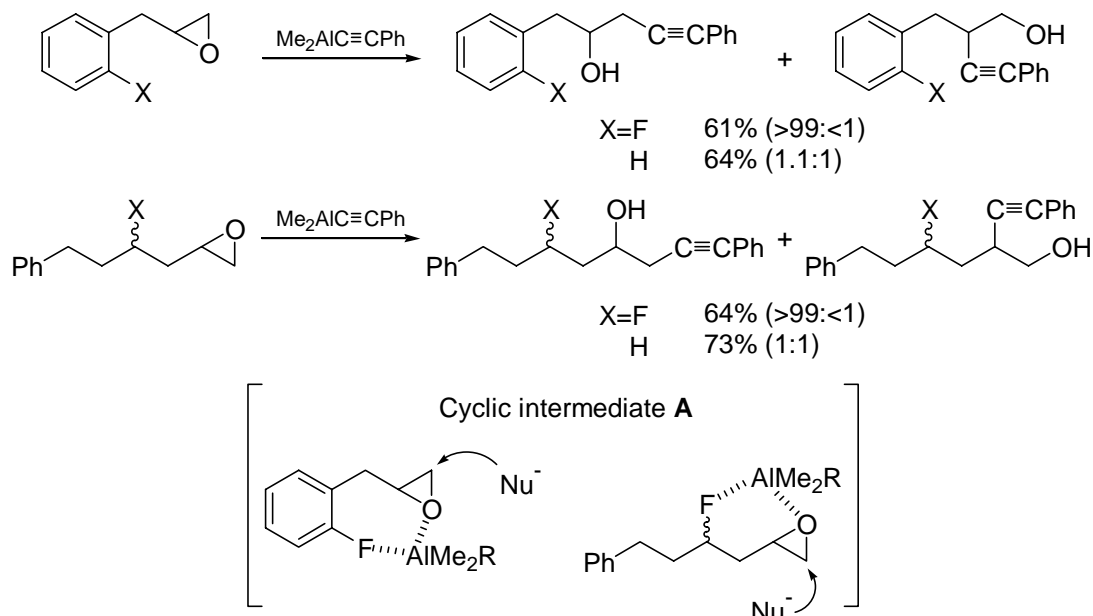


Another example of Al-F interaction-controlled selectivity has been reported for epoxide ring opening reaction.¹⁶ Excellent regioselectivity is observed in the ring opening reaction by organoaluminum compounds when fluorine atom is incorporated in the substrate (Scheme 1-2). When a non-fluorinated substrate is subjected to the ring opening alkylation by organoaluminum alkynides, only low regioselectivity is observed. On the other hand, when fluorine atom is introduced to nearby the epoxide ring to form a cyclic intermediate **A**, perfect regioselectivity is observed. Existence of the cyclic intermediate **A** was supported by ^{13}C and ^{27}Al NMR spectroscopy.

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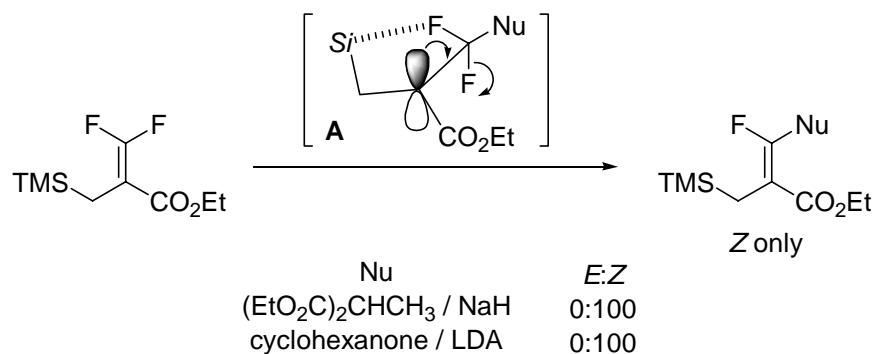
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Scheme 1-2.



Selectivity control by Si-F interaction has also been reported.¹⁷ Excellent stereoselectivity is observed in addition-elimination reaction of β,β -difluoro- α,β -unsaturated ester substituted with a Si group. Si-F interaction is suggested to play an important role on the reaction intermediate, as in **A**, to stabilize one conformer and thus give only one stereoisomer (Scheme 1-3). This is in sharp contrast with the result from the LAH reduction of a simple 2-alkyl- rather than 2-[(trimethylsilyl)methyl]-substituted 3,3-defluoropropenoate, which led to monofluoroallic alcohols with low stereoselectivity.¹⁸ Involvement of Si-F interaction in the reaction intermediate was supported by ²⁹Si NMR spectroscopic analysis.

Scheme 1-3



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These characteristics of fluorine atom serve as a basis for the following unique effects of these types of organofluorine compounds.

1-2-2. Fluorine effects.

A fluorine atom has a vdW radius similar to those of hydrogen or oxygen, and constitutes the structure that is isoelectronic ($2s^2 2p^6$ configuration) to oxygen (or alcohol). Therefore, fluoroalkanes, -alkenes, and difluoromethylene groups are referred to as isosters; substitutes isosterically as hydrogen bond acceptors to the alkanols, amides, and ethers, respectively (bioisosterism) (Figure 1-5).^{1g, 19} As a result, fluorine-containing compounds obtained by substitution of hydrogen atoms or hydroxyl groups of physiologically active compounds with fluorine atoms can be dealt with similarly by biological systems. This is referred to as the mimic effect and makes it possible to greatly change the electronic environment of a physiologically active substance, without changing its steric environment.

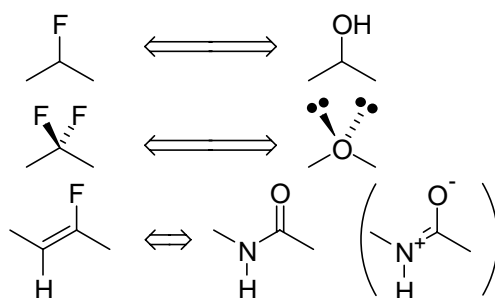


Figure 1-5. Mimic effect of the fluorine atom.

Physiologically active fluorinated compounds can be similarly recognized (mimic effect) but resistant in metabolic degradation by virtue of the strong C-F bond energy. This is referred to as the block effect which greatly increases the metabolic resistance of a physiologically active substance. Fluorinated compound is rendered resistant to oxidation by the much greater bond energy than C-H or C-X (X = Br, Cl) bonds, thus allowing it to escape or survive metabolic processes.

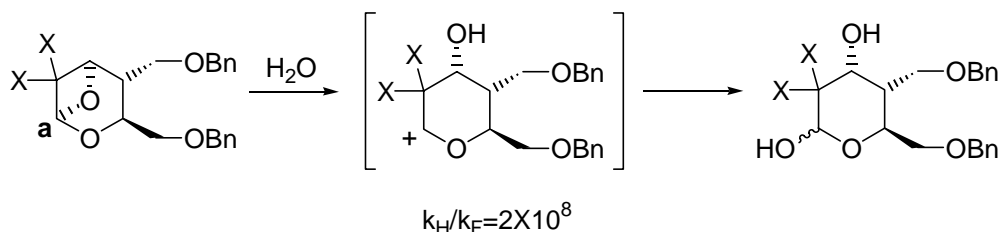
The fluorine atom has reduced lipophilic effects relative to Cl or CH₃, but SCF₃ group has greater lipophilic effects than CF₃ or OCF₃. Such XCF₃ groups are named pseudohalogens,^{1b} and have significant electron withdrawing effects, while being more

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stabilized than halogen atoms.²⁰ Thus, such XCF_3 molecules readily pass through cell membranes and reach active sites without being broken down. As a result, drug potency is increased, and side effects are suppressed.

The reactivity of some fluorinated compounds can be, some times, lowered and hence controlled by the effect of fluorine. For example, oxetane acetals are compounds that are hydrolyzed extremely easily ($\text{X}=\text{H}$), but hydrolysis is retarded when the group (X) is changed to F (Scheme 1-4).²¹ The decreased electron density of the proximal oxygen atom, due to the electron-withdrawing properties of fluorine atom, disfavor the cation generation at carbon **a**.

Scheme 1-4.



By virtue of the strongest electronegativity of a fluorine atom, the LUMO level of fluorinated carbonyl compounds, e.g. trifluoroacetaldehyde (fluoral) is greatly reduced relative to non-fluorinated acetaldehyde (fluoral: -5.40 eV, acetaldehyde: -4.09 eV at the HF/6-31G** level).²² For this reason, the electrophilicity is dramatically increased, and fluoral readily undergoes addition reactions. The hydrate of the fluorinated carbonyl compound (e.g. $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})_2$) and hemiacetal (e.g. $\text{CF}_3\text{CH}(\text{OH})(\text{OR})$) are more stable than the carbonyl form.²³ Difluoromethylene-ketones are also highly electrophilic to provide their hydrate forms. Their tetrahedral structures mimic the transition state of hydrolysis by protease enzyme and the tetrahedral intermediates act as reversible protease inhibitors.²⁴ Orally active protease inhibitors are important for AIDS,

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metastatic cancer, arthritis, and sleeping sickness, etc.

Fluorine has the highest EN, and IP (except for He and Ne) (cf. Table 1-1) and, therefore, fluorine compounds exhibit characteristic reactivity and physical properties due to the stereoelectronic effect of the F and CF₃ groups (Figure 1-6). Fluorine could stabilize α -cation by lone electron pair donation rather than the inductive effect working the opposite way. On the other hand, CF₃ group destabilize α -cation due to the strong electron-withdrawing nature (Figure 1-7). Bis(trifluoromethyl) groups may possess *anti*-periplanar (di-axial) conformations in the ground states and, on the basis of theoretical calculations, in the transition states, because of dipole or steric repulsion resulting from the high electro-negativity of the trifluoromethyl group.²⁵

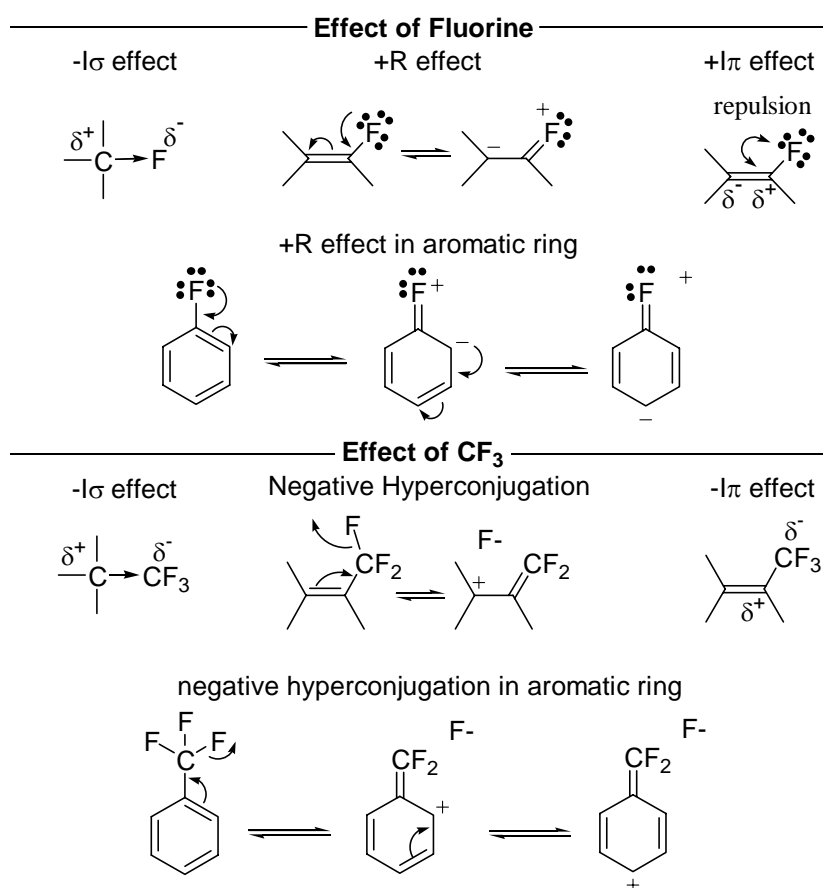


Figure 1-6. Various effects of the fluorine atom and the trifluoromethyl group.

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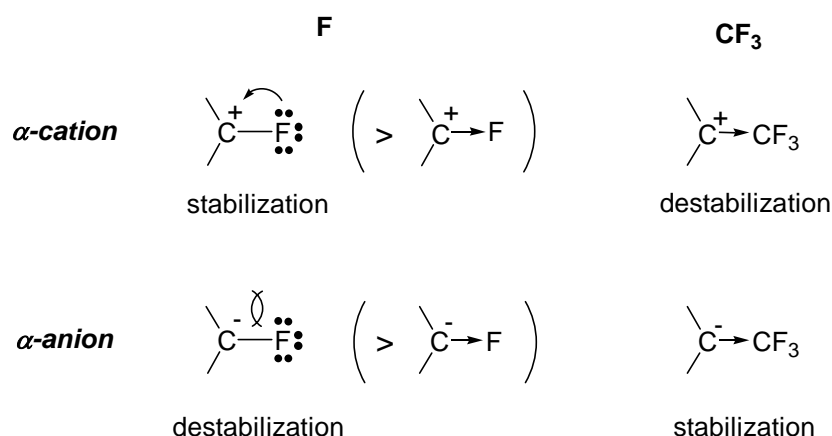


Figure 1-7. Stabilization and destabilization of fluorine groups.

1,2-Difluoroethane exhibits clear *syn*-clinal conformations on the basis of infrared (IR), Raman,²⁶ nuclear magnetic resonance (NMR),²⁷ atomic diffraction²⁸ and theoretical calculations,²⁹ in spite of dipole or steric repulsion resulting from the high electronegativity of the fluorine atoms. This *syn*-clinal effect is due to the fact that the electron flow towards the $\sigma_{\text{C-F}}^*$ bond from the $\sigma_{\text{C-H}}$ bond is very large relative to the flow towards the $\sigma_{\text{C-F}}^*$ bond from the $\sigma_{\text{C-F}}$ bond in the *anti*-periplanar conformation. As a result, the *syn*-clinal conformation is stabilized (Figure 1-8). In a similar manner, fluorocarbonyl compounds exhibit clear *anti*-periplanar conformations to the incoming “naked” nucleophile in the carbonyl addition reactions on the basis of theoretical calculations. This is due to the effective orbital interaction between the $\sigma_{\text{C-F}}^*$ bond and the $\pi_{\text{C=O}}$ double bond, and further with the incoming nucleophile σ in the *anti*-periplanar conformation as compared to the outside or -inside orientation of the C-F bond.³⁰

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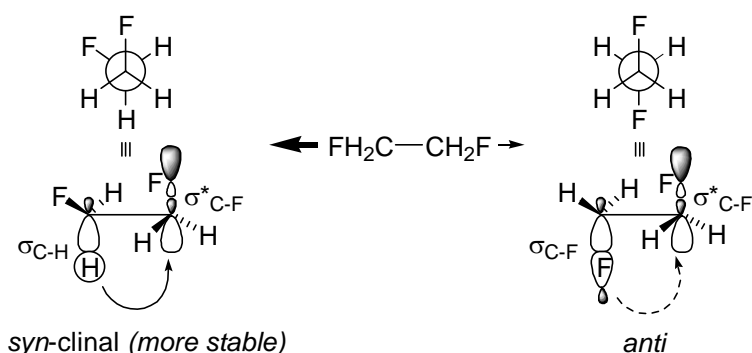


Figure 1-8. *syn*-Clinal effect of difluoroethane.

1-2-3. Disadvantage of fluorine effect in synthetic organic chemistry.

Although these fluorine effects give rise to the interesting characteristics of organofluorine compounds, it often causes a difficulty in synthetic organic chemistry.

Standard synthetic methods involving ionic (anionic or cationic) carbon-carbon bond forming reactions, which have already been established for non-fluorinated substrates, are often not applicable to fluorinated substrates. For example, carbon-carbon bond forming reactions employing stock solutions of perfluoroalkyllithium reagents are not general. Perfluoroalkyllithiums are thermally unstable because of their rapid α - and β -Li-F elimination. A co-existing electrophile can only be used for *in situ* generated perfluoroalkyllithium reagents at low temperature. Particularly, trifluoromethylithium has not yet been reported in synthetic applications.³¹ Therefore, trifluoromethyltrimethylsilane (TMSCF₃) is useful as a source of “CF₃⁻”.³²

Another example is perfluoroalkyl halides. In sharp contrast to normal alkyl halides, perfluoroalkyl halides cannot undergo nucleophilic alkylation, because the electronegativities of perfluoroalkyl groups are higher than those of halogens.³³ Thus the polarization of perfluoroalkyl halides is as R_f^{δ-}-I^{δ+} and treatment with nucleophile (Nu) could not produce R_f-Nu.

Fluorine-containing carbonyl compounds can also be employed as fluorine-substituted building blocks. However, metal enolates of carbonyl compounds as nucleophiles, which are of central importance in the synthesis of non-fluorinated compounds, have been severely limited on α -F metal enolates to be stabilized by M-F

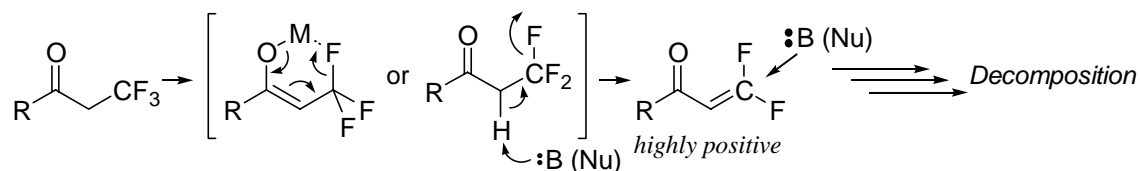
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chelate structures.³⁴ On the other hand, α -CF₃ metal enolates have been generally recognized to be very unstable and hence difficult to prepare because of the rapid β -M-F elimination (Scheme 1-5).³⁵

Scheme 1-5.



1-3. Synthesis of organofluorine compounds.

Despite the natural abundance of fluorine,³⁶ only 12 kinds of natural organofluorine compounds are reported to date (Figure 1-9).³⁷ 8 of them are terminally-fluorinated higher fatty acids which are found from the same plant. Recently, O'Hagan and co-workers have discovered natural C-F bond forming enzyme "fluorinase enzyme". The new enzyme, "fluorinase" have attracted much attention.³⁸ However, most of the origins of the natural organofluorine compounds have not been clarified yet. Thus we could not expect natural source of organofluorine compounds as in hydrocarbon chemistry, in which various kinds of compounds could be obtained from nature.

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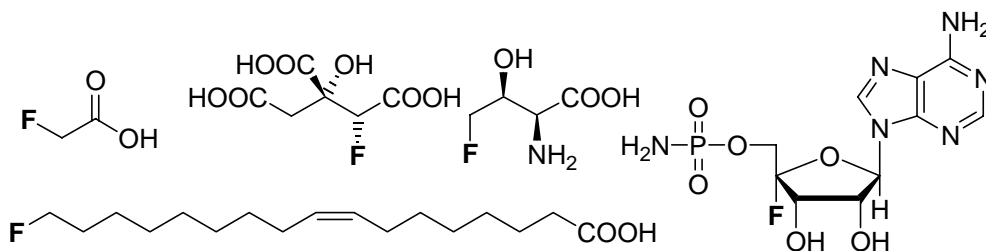


Figure 1-9. Natural organofluorine compounds.

The most abundant natural source of fluorine is ore: fluorite (CaF_2), fluoroapatite ($\text{CaF}_2 \cdot 3\text{Ca}_3(\text{PO}_4)_2$), sodium cryolite (Na_3AlF_6). When CaF_2 reacts with sulfuric acid, CaSO_4 and HF are generated. Electrolysis of anhydrous HF with small amount of KF gives F_2 gas. F_2 gas is extremely reactive and can fluorinate organic compounds. However, it is extremely dangerous due to high reactivity. This limits the use of F_2 gas in synthetic organic chemistry. F_2 gas can be transformed to fluorinating reagents which are easier to handle (Figure 1-10). F_2 gas and/or fluorinating reagent could also introduce fluorine to relatively simple organic molecules which could be used as a building block of organofluorine compounds (Figure 1-11).

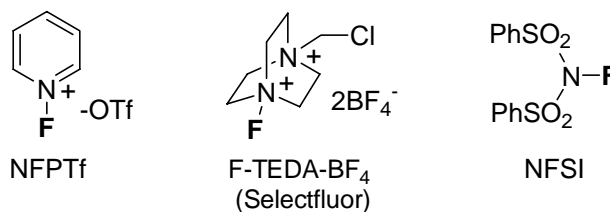


Figure 1-10. Examples of fluorinating reagent.

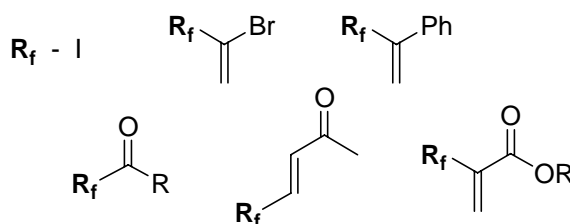


Figure 1-11. Examples of building blocks for organofluorine compounds.

Therefore, synthetic methods for fluorine-containing compounds can be broadly classified into two types: carbon-fluorine bond forming reactions (fluorination with fluorinating reagents); and carbon-carbon bond forming reactions (employing fluorine-substituted building blocks such as perfluoro-alkanes and -alkenes, or

fluorine-containing carbonyl compounds). The former can be further classified into formal electrophilic (F^+) and nucleophilic (F^-) fluorination. A variety of fluorinating reagents have been developed for these types of specific reaction. The carbon-carbon bond forming reactions involve ionic (electrophilic or nucleophilic) and radical reactions.

1-4. Theoretical investigation of organic reaction mechanisms.

Recent development in computers and their network environment encourage chemists to use computers as one of the tools for chemical research. Computers could be used to predict the properties of unknown compounds and unstable species (such as transition states) which are impossible to deal experimentally. The word “computational chemistry”³⁹ could be classified into two categories.

- (1) Molecular orbital (MO) calculation: This calculation evaluates the electronic state of a molecule according to the variation principle. This type of the calculation is used for the analysis of electronic properties or reaction pathway of an isolated molecule.
- (2) Computer simulation: This calculation is aimed to reveal the molecular properties as a group, which means intermolecular interaction, liquid, solid, and super critical liquid phase properties and so on. Furthermore, this type of calculation could be classified into three kinds. Which are, molecular dynamics (MD) simulation, Monte Carlo (MC) simulation, and molecular mechanics (MM).

The author focuses on the (1) MO calculations, which are suitable for investigating specific properties of organofluorine compounds at molecular level.

1-4-1. MO method.

Electronic energy E and wavefunction Ψ of many-electron system could be obtained by solving the Schrödinger equation based on quantum mechanics.⁴⁰ Under the Born-Oppenheimer approximation, time-independent Schrödinger equation and

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Hamiltonian is expressed as eq. 1.1.

$$\hat{H}\Psi = E\Psi \quad (\text{eq. 1.1})$$

$$\hat{H} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i^N \nabla_i^2 + \hat{V} + \sum_{i<j}^N \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}_j|} = \hat{T} + \hat{V} + \hat{G} \quad (\text{eq. 1.2})$$

Here,

\hat{T} refers to the kinetic energy of an electron,

\hat{V} refers to the interaction of an electron and external potential (coulomb potential by nuclei),

\hat{G} refers to the coulomb interaction between electrons.

Given a normalized trial wave function Ψ_T that satisfies the appropriate boundary conditions (usually the requirement that the wave function vanishes at infinity), then the expectation value of the Hamiltonian is an upper bound to the exact ground state energy E_0 (eq. 1.3).

$$E = \langle \Psi_T | \hat{H} | \Psi_T \rangle \geq \langle \Psi_0 | \hat{H} | \Psi_0 \rangle = E_0 \quad (\text{eq. 1.3})$$

The equality holds only when Ψ_T is identical to Ψ_0 . This is called the *variation principle*. The variation principle for the ground state tells us that the energy of an approximate wave function is always too high. Thus one measure of the quality of a wave function is its energy; the lower the energy is, the better the wave function is. This is the basis of the variation method in which we take a normalized trial function Ψ_T , which depends on certain parameters, and vary these parameters until the expectation value E reaches a minimum. This minimum value of E is then our variational estimate of the exact ground state energy. However, except for the simplest cases, Schrödinger equation could not be solved exactly. In order to solve the Schrödinger equation for general molecule, many approximation methods have been developed and it could be classified into 4 categories.

(A) Empirical molecular orbital theory (HMO,⁴¹ EHMO⁴² etc.)

(B) Semiempirical molecular orbital theory (MNDO,⁴³ PM3,⁴⁴ AM1⁴⁵ etc.)

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(C) *ab initio* molecular orbital theory (HF,⁴⁶ MP2⁴⁷ etc.)

(D) Density functional theory (DFT)⁴⁸

(A) Empirical method and (B) semiempirical methods neglect several integral calculations and use empirical parameters (ionization potential, electron affinity, dipole moment etc.) to reduce the total amount of calculation. The results of calculations give qualitative description of a molecule. These methods are effective for large molecular systems, and were important during the early days of computational chemistry, when computational power was minimal. However, recent improvement of the computational power encourage us to use more precise (C) *ab initio* or (D) DFT method particularly for the investigation of the small size molecular properties which are investigated in this thesis.

1-4-1-1. Hartree-Fock (HF) method.⁴⁶

In contrast to empirical and semiempirical methods, (C) *ab initio* method calculates every integral without using empirical parameters. The most popular *ab initio* method is the Hartree-Fock (HF) method. HF method employ independent particle model which gives the all-electron wave function as an antisymmetrized product of orthonormalized one-electron wave functions (Slater determinant, Φ_{SD}). That is,

$$\Psi(\mathbf{x}_1, \mathbf{x}_2, \dots, \mathbf{x}_N) = \hat{A}[\phi_1(\mathbf{x}_1) \phi_2(\mathbf{x}_2) \cdots \phi_N(\mathbf{x}_N)] \quad (\text{eq. 1.4})$$

Here,

$$\hat{A}[\phi_1(\mathbf{x}_1) \phi_2(\mathbf{x}_2) \cdots \phi_N(\mathbf{x}_N)] = \Phi_{SD} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{N!}} \begin{vmatrix} \phi_1(\mathbf{x}_1) & \phi_2(\mathbf{x}_1) & \cdots & \phi_N(\mathbf{x}_1) \\ \phi_1(\mathbf{x}_2) & \phi_2(\mathbf{x}_2) & \cdots & \phi_N(\mathbf{x}_2) \\ \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ \phi_1(\mathbf{x}_N) & \phi_2(\mathbf{x}_N) & \cdots & \phi_N(\mathbf{x}_N) \end{vmatrix} \quad (\text{eq. 1.5})$$

The solution (wave function) of this equation satisfies the Pauli principle. Two kinds of methods are representative for HF method. That is, restricted HF (RHF), in which the spatial orbitals are restricted to be the same for α and β spins, and unrestricted HF (UHF), which allows electrons of α and β spin to be described by different special

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functions (Figure 1-12, a). Fundamental assumption of HF theory is that each electron sees all the others as an average field (Figure 1-12, b), which means neglect of electron correlation.

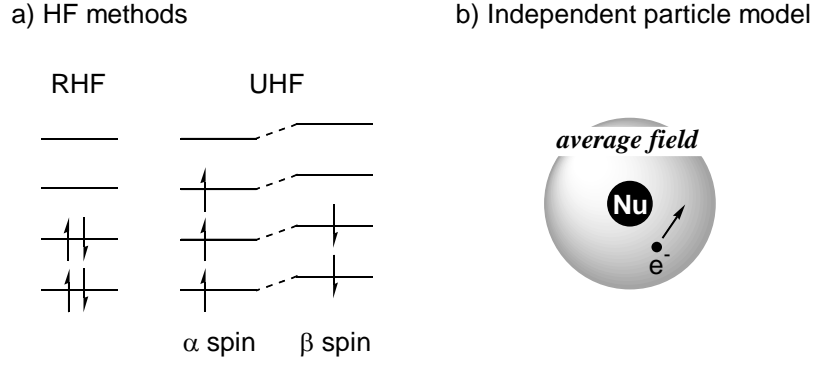


Figure 1-12. Hartree-Fock method.

With respect to RHF, HF energy (E^{HF}) could be expressed as.

$$E^{\text{HF}} = \sum_{i=1}^{N/2} 2H_i + \sum_{i>j}^{N/2} (2J_{ij} - K_{ij}) + \sum_i^{N/2} J_{ii} \quad (\text{eq. 1.6})$$

Here,

$$H_i = \int \varphi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \left(-\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \sum_k^M \frac{Z_k}{|\mathbf{R}_k - \mathbf{r}|} \right) \varphi_i(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} \quad (\text{eq. 1.7})$$

$$J_{ij} = \iint \varphi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \varphi_i(\mathbf{r}) \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}|} \varphi_j^*(\mathbf{r}') \varphi_j(\mathbf{r}') d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \quad (\text{eq. 1.8})$$

$$K_{ij} = \iint \varphi_i^*(\mathbf{r}) \varphi_j(\mathbf{r}) \frac{1}{|\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}|} \varphi_j^*(\mathbf{r}') \varphi_i(\mathbf{r}') d\mathbf{r} d\mathbf{r}' \quad (\text{eq. 1.9})$$

By minimizing the energy expression for a single Slater determinant, Hartree-Fock equation could be obtained (eq. 1.10).

$$\hat{f} \varphi_i = \varepsilon_i \varphi_i \quad (\text{eq. 1.10})$$

$$\hat{f} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \sum_k^M \frac{Z_k}{|\mathbf{R}_k - \mathbf{r}|} + \sum_j (2\hat{J}_j - \hat{K}_j) \quad (\text{eq. 1.11})$$

Here,

\hat{J} refers to the coulomb operator,

$$\hat{J}_j \varphi(\mathbf{r}) = \left[\int \frac{\varphi_j^*(\mathbf{r}') \varphi_j(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}' - \mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r}' \right] \varphi(\mathbf{r}) \quad (\text{eq. 1.12})$$

\hat{K} refers to the exchange operator,

$$\hat{K}_j \varphi(\mathbf{r}) = \left[\int \frac{\varphi_j^*(\mathbf{r}')\varphi(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}'-\mathbf{r}|} d\mathbf{r}' \right] \varphi_j(\mathbf{r}) \quad (\text{eq. 1.13})$$

Neglect of electron correlation allows for tremendous progress in carrying out practical MO calculation. However, this can also have profound chemical consequences when it comes to determining accurate wave functions and properties derived from them. If one wants to investigate the system which involves a bond formation/dissociation phenomenon, transition metal system, or a quantitative argument of chemical reaction, electron correlation must be considered. There are multiconfiguration self-consistent field theory (MCSCF),⁴⁹ perturbation theory,⁴⁷ configuration interaction (CI),⁵⁰ coupled-cluster theory (CC)⁵¹ which could deal with electron correlation (post-HF). Among them, Møller-Plesset method,⁴⁷ particularly MP2 method, is the one of the most convenient methods to include electron correlation in MO theory.

1-4-1-2. DFT method.⁴⁸

In contrast to the MO method, which utilizes wave function Ψ_T with $3 \times N$ (N : total electron number) dimension as a trial function, DFT utilizes electron density ρ as a trial function to obtain ground state energy based on variation principle. DFT is based on the Hohenberg-Kohn theorem⁵² which proved that the energy and all properties of a molecular system is determined by a functional of electron density for a given nuclear coordinates, and only one exact electron density function, which minimizes the total energy, exists.

$$E = E[\rho(\mathbf{r})] \quad (\text{eq. 1.14})$$

The energy E could be expressed without approximation as eq. 1.15.

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$$E[\rho(\mathbf{r})] = T_{\text{ni}}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] + V_{\text{ne}}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] + V_{\text{ee}}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] + E_{\text{xc}}[\rho(\mathbf{r})] \quad (\text{eq. 1.15})$$

Here,

T_{ni} refers to the kinetic energy of the non-interacting electrons,

$$T_{\text{ni}} = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_i^N \langle \varphi_i | \nabla_i^2 | \varphi_i \rangle \quad (\text{eq. 1.16})$$

V_{ne} refers to the nuclear-electron interaction,

$$V_{\text{ne}} = \sum_k^M \int \frac{Z_k}{|\mathbf{R}_k - \mathbf{r}_i|} \rho(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} = \sum_i^N \langle \varphi_i | \sum_k^M \frac{Z_k}{|\mathbf{R}_k - \mathbf{r}_i|} | \varphi_i \rangle \quad (\text{eq. 1.17})$$

V_{ee} refers to the classical electron-electron repulsion.

$$V_{\text{ee}} = \frac{1}{2} \iint \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}_1)\rho(\mathbf{r}_2)}{|\mathbf{r}_1 - \mathbf{r}_2|} d\mathbf{r}_1 d\mathbf{r}_2 = \frac{1}{2} \sum_i^N \langle \varphi_i | \int \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r}_i - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r}' | \varphi_i \rangle \quad (\text{eq. 1.18})$$

Orbital φ , which minimize E in eq. 1.15, will satisfy Kohn-Sham (KS)⁵³ equation (eq. 1.19).

$$\hat{h}^{\text{KS}} \varphi_i = \varepsilon_i \varphi_i \quad (\text{eq. 1.19})$$

$$\hat{h}^{\text{KS}} = -\frac{1}{2} \nabla^2 - \sum_k^M \frac{Z_k}{|\mathbf{R}_k - \mathbf{r}|} + \int \frac{\rho(\mathbf{r}')}{|\mathbf{r} - \mathbf{r}'|} d\mathbf{r}' + V_{\text{xc}}(\mathbf{r}) \quad (\text{eq. 1.20})$$

V_{xc} is a so-called functional derivative.

$$V_{\text{xc}}(\mathbf{r}) = \frac{\delta E_{\text{xc}}[\rho(\mathbf{r})]}{\delta \rho(\mathbf{r})} \quad (\text{eq. 1.21})$$

There has been a problem what form could be given for $E_{\text{xc}}[\rho(\mathbf{r})]$ (exchange-correlation energy). E_{xc} consist of self-interaction correlation, exchange correlation, and the part of the true kinetic energy which is not covered by T_{ni} . Normally, E_{xc} is not known and should be given as an approximation. Many approximations have been developed and most of them contain empirical parameters. The development of hybrid functional made a significant contribution to DFT method which leads to great acceptance of DFT method among chemists as a practical tool. The most popular hybrid functional known as B3LYP yields good agreement with the experimental results. B3LYP (Becke's three-parameter hybrid functional⁵⁴ combined with the Lee, Yang,

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Parr (LYP) correlation functional⁵⁵) could be expressed as

$$E_{xc}^{B3LYP} = (1-a) E_x^{LSDA} + a E_x^{HF} + b \Delta E_x^{B88} + c E_c^{LYP} + (1-c) E_c^{VWN} \quad (\text{eq. 1.22})$$

Here,

E_x^{HF} refers to the HF exact exchange,

E_x^{LSDA} refers to the local exchange energy from local spin density approximation (LSDA),

ΔE_x^{B88} refers to the Becke's gradient correction for the exchange functional,⁵⁶

E_c^{LYP} refers to the correlation functional developed by Lee, Yang, and Parr,⁵⁵

E_c^{VWN} refers to the local correction functional of Vosko, Wilk, and Nissair.⁵⁷

Three parameters (a, b, and c) are determined by fitting the atomization energies, ionization potentials, proton affinities, total atomic energies of Gaussian-1 (G1) data base of Pople. The values of these parameters for B3LYP are a=0.20, b=0.72, c=0.81.

DFT method can be performed with lower computational cost than *ab initio* post-HF methods with inclusion of electron correlation effect.

1-4-1-3. Basis set.⁵⁸

When solving the HF or KS equation, orbital function φ is expanded by atomic wave function, where the set of functions $\{\chi_p\}$ is called the 'basis set'.

$$\varphi_i = \sum_p C_{pi} \chi_p \quad (\text{eq. 1.23})$$

This construction is known as the linear combination of atomic orbitals (LCAO) approach. Several basis sets are commonly used.

(1) Minimal basis set (STO-3G, STO-6G etc.): There is only one basis function defined for each type of orbital core through valence.

$$\text{s-type function: } \chi_i = \sum_{r=1}^n d_{r,i} \exp(-\alpha_r r^2)$$

$$\text{p-type function: } \chi_i = \sum_{r=1}^n d_{r,i} x \exp(-\alpha_r r^2)$$

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- (2) Multiple- ζ basis set (D95, cc-pCVDZ, cc-pCVTZ etc.): To increase the flexibility of a basis set, two basis functions are used for the construction of each atomic orbital (AO). This basis set is called “double- ζ ” (Figure 1-13). If three basis functions are used for each AO, it would be “triple- ζ ”.

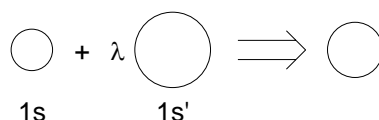


Figure 1-13. Double- ζ basis set.

- (3) Split-valence basis set (3-21G, 6-31G, 6-311G etc.): The core orbitals are only weakly affected by chemical bonding. On the other hand, valence orbitals could vary widely as a function of chemical bonding. Therefore, there is more to be gained by having flexibility in the valence basis functions than in the core. In “split-valence” or “valence multiple- ζ ” basis set, core orbitals continue to be represented by a single basis function, while valence orbitals are split into many functions. The nomenclature tells us the contraction scheme. The first number indicates the number of primitives used in the contracted core functions. The numbers after the hyphen indicate the numbers of primitives used in the valence functions; if there are two such numbers, it is a valence-double ζ .
- (4) Polarization functions (3-21G*, 6-31G*, 6-31G** etc.): AO is not in its shape when incorporated into a molecule. Therefore, “polarization functions”, which corresponds to one quantum number of higher angular momentum than the valence orbitals, is almost always added in the form of basis functions. For s-orbital, p orbital is added, and for p orbital, d orbital is added (Figure 1-14). In the Pople family of basis set, they add ‘*’ after the basis set name (eg. 6-31G*).

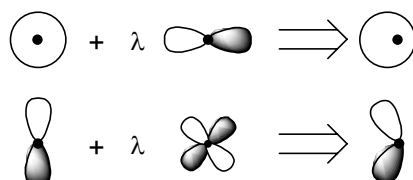


Figure 1-14. Polarization function.

- (5) Diffuse functions (6-31+G, 6-311++G** etc.): The highest energy MOs of anions, highly excited electronic states, and loose supermolecular complexes tend to be much more spatially diffuse. In order to add flexibility, which could allow a weakly

bound electron to localize far from the remaining density, “diffuse functions” are often augmented. In the Pople family of basis sets, the presence of diffuse functions is indicated by a ‘+’ in the basis set name (eg. 6-31+G).

- (6) Effective core potentials (LANL2DZ,⁵⁹ CEP-31G⁶⁰ etc.): When dealing with heavy atoms, the number of the electron would become a problem. Technically, calculation of a molecule with a large number of electrons becomes heavy. Also, more electrons mean more energy associated with electron correlation. In order to solve this problem, effective core potential (ECP) was developed. ECP replace the electrons with analytical functions that would reasonably, accurately, and efficiently represent the combined nuclear-electronic core to the remaining electrons. ECP could reduce the amount of the electrons to calculate, and relativistic effect could be taken into account.

1-4-2. Choice of the method and basis set.

The choice of the calculation method and basis set is not an easy issue. However, the author has set a kind of standard for investigation of the reaction mechanisms which are discussed in this thesis.

- (1) Use HF for the system which is constituted of only 1st, 2nd, and 3rd row elements. If the system contains the elements of 4th row and after, use B3LYP.
- (2) When calculating a radical species, use UHF (or UB3LYP).
- (3) For computational power and efficiency, use 6-31G* basis set for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd row elements and ECP for the elements in 4th row and after.
- (4) When calculating an anion species, add diffuse function to the basis set.

After computation by this arbitrary standard, further conformation for the level of the theory is required, and some times higher level calculation is necessary.

1-5. Objective of this thesis.

As mentioned before, CF₃ group is one of the most important fluorine functionalities because of its specific material and medicinal properties. In order to construct CF₃ containing organofluorine compounds, the author focuses on α -CF₃

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carbonyl compounds as a building block. Central importance of carbonyl compounds in modern synthetic organic chemistry might lead us to think about utilizing α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds as the first choice. However, α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds are sensitive to base and easily decompose to limit their usage (Scheme 1-5). The synthesis, reaction, and origin of the reactivity of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds are not enough explored to date.

The theme of this thesis is the development of the synthetic methodologies and the selective reactions of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds, and, understanding specific chemical properties of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds in these reactions by computational approaches (Figure 1-15).

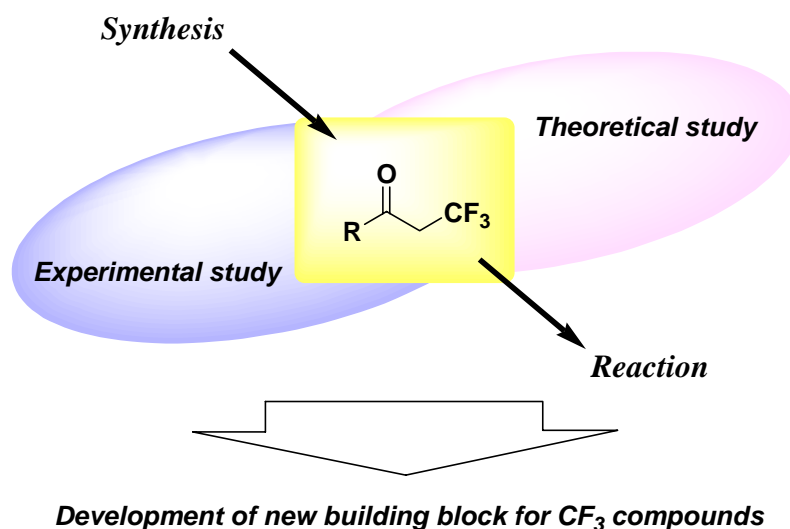


Figure 1-15. Basic concept of the thesis.

1-6. Back ground of the research.

For the synthesis of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds, the author focused on direct introduction of CF₃ to the α position of carbonyl group. It would be useful if CF₃ group could be introduced to various carbonyl compounds. As for the reactions of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds, the author focused on aldol and Baeyer-Villiger reactions. These reactions are typical synthetic transformations.

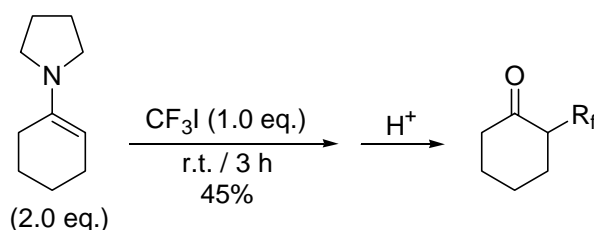
1-6-1. Synthesis of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds.

Radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolates is, in principle, one of the simplest and efficient ways to introduce a CF₃ unit at the α position of a carbonyl group. However defluorination (Scheme 1-5) is problematic and hence thought to be difficult to carry out. In turn, several alternative methods, which avoid using metal enolates,

have been developed as follow:

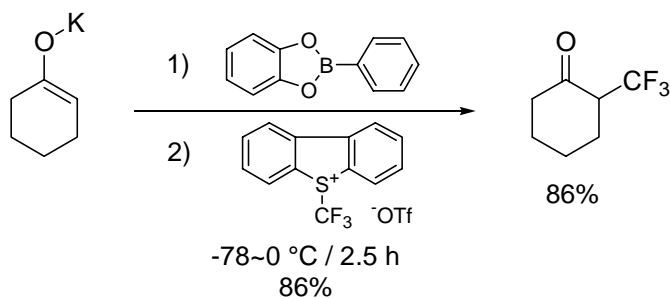
Introduction of CF_3 group to the α position of carbonyl compounds was first reported by Cantacuzène and co-workers in 1975.⁶¹ They used the reaction of emanine with $\text{R}_f\text{-I}$ to give $\alpha\text{-R}_f$ ketone in fair yields (Scheme 1-6). Later, Ishikawa and Kitazume succeeded in asymmetric perfluoroalkylation by using chiral enamine.⁶² This reaction is speculated to be a radical reaction.

Scheme 1-6.



Umemoto and co-workers reported the “cationic” trifluoromethylation (Scheme 1-7).⁶³ This method gave $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ ketone in good yield. However, CF_3^+ reagent is too expensive for practical use⁶⁴ and is hardly soluble in organic solvents. Recently, Cahard and co-workers reported the trifluoromethylation of β -ketoesters.⁶⁵

Scheme 1-7.



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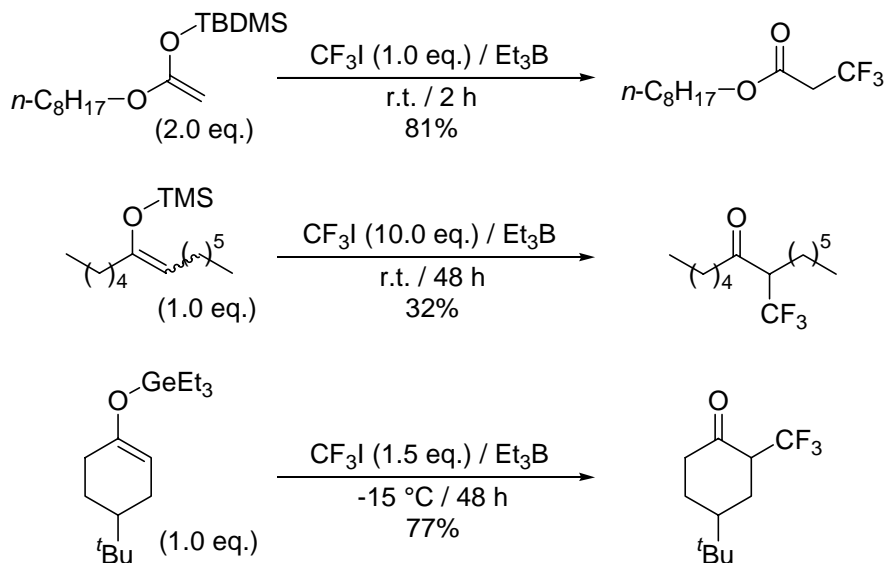
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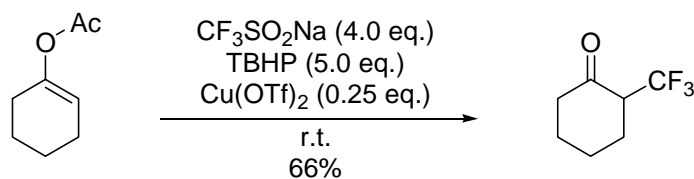
Oshima, Utimoto and co-workers reported the radical trifluoromethylation of silyl and germyl enol ethers (Scheme 1-8).⁶⁶ They used Et₃B as a radical initiator. The radical trifluoromethylation of silyl enol ethers works only for ester enol ethers, and gave poor results for ketone enol ethers. On the other hand, germyl enol ethers of ketone worked well for trifluoromethylation.

Scheme 1-8.



Langlois and co-workers reported the use of sodium trifluoromethanesulfinate as a CF₃ source (Scheme 1-9).⁶⁷ They proposed a radical mechanism for this reaction.

Scheme 1-9.



Iseki, Kobayashi and co-workers reported the radical trifluoromethylation of imide enolates (Scheme 1-10).⁶⁸ They used Li enolates of imides. It is recognized that highly

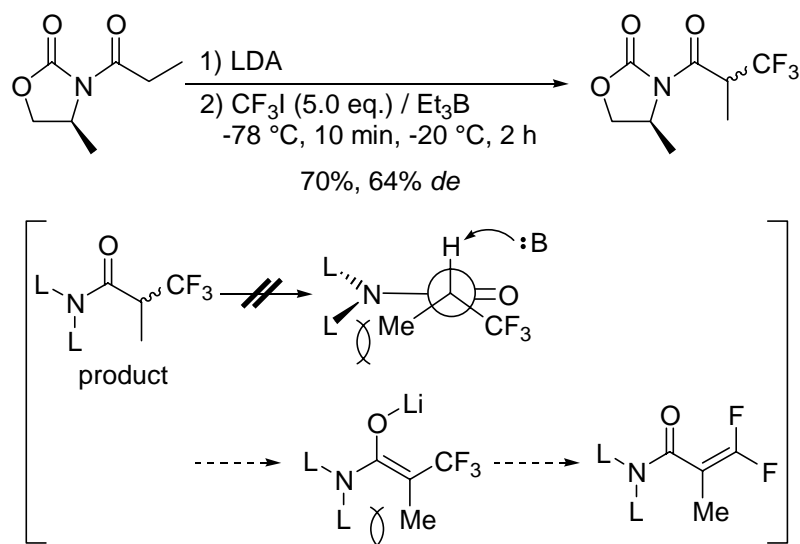
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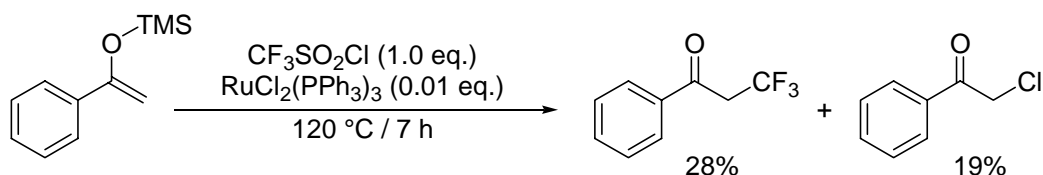
basic Li enolates could decompose the α -CF₃ product and thus could not be employed to trifluoromethylation. However, they introduced bulky substituents on α position to carbonyl group and oxazolidinone moiety to suppress defluorination by the parent Li enolate.

Scheme 1-10.



The first report of trifluoromethylation of silyl enol ether catalyzed by transition metal was reported by Kamigata and co-workers using Ru(II) complex (Scheme 1-11).⁶⁹ However, the yields were poor to fair. Trifluoromethylation and chlorination occurred depending on the substituent of the silyl enol ether.

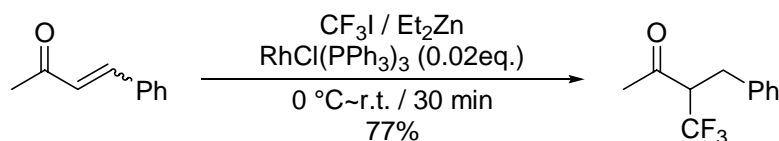
Scheme 1-11.



Ando, Kumadaki and co-workers reported the rhodium catalyzed α trifluoromethylation of α,β -unsaturated ketones (Scheme 1-12).⁷⁰ This methodology is different from the previous trifluoromethylation of enolates or enolate equivalents. It gives fair to good yields of α -CF₃ ketones.

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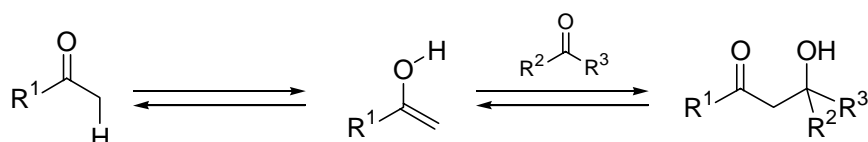
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Scheme 1-12.

As can be seen, the practical way of introducing CF_3 group into α position of carbonyl compounds is quite limited. Among them, radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolate should be, in principle, the most direct and efficient way to synthesize $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds. However, the example is only limited for Li enolates of sterically demanding imides; the substrate was designed not to decompose. There is no example of radical trifluoromethylation of ketone enolates. Therefore, the author focused on experimental and theoretical investigation of the radical trifluoromethylation of ketone enolates.

1-6-2. Aldol reaction of $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds.

Aldol reaction is one of the most basic reactions in organic chemistry. “Aldol” was named after the self condensation product of acetaldehyde in 1872 by Wurtz.⁷¹ A classical aldol reaction utilizes Brønsted acid or base to carbonyl compounds bearing α proton to generate enol. The reaction of enol with carbonyl compounds gives β -hydroxy ketone (Scheme 1-13).

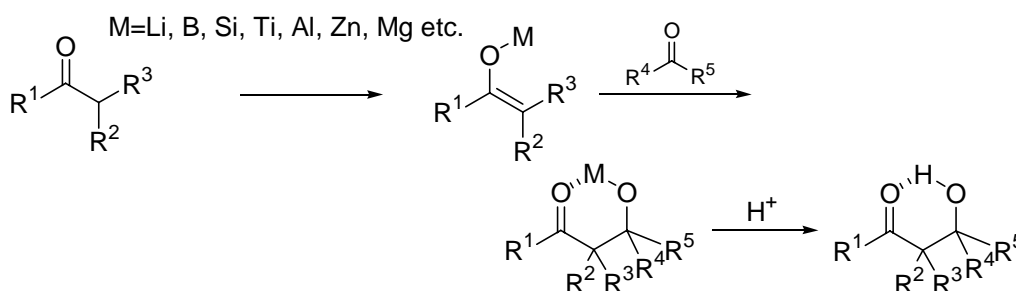
Scheme 1-13.

This type of the reaction is in equilibrium with the substrate. Therefore, reactivity depends on the stability of the product. Moreover, by using Brønsted acid or base, it is

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difficult to suppress the self condensation or polymerization especially for cross aldol reaction. To conquer the difficulty, it is more common to use metal enolate or enol ether instead of enol for the efficient aldol reaction (Scheme 1-14).

Scheme 1-14.



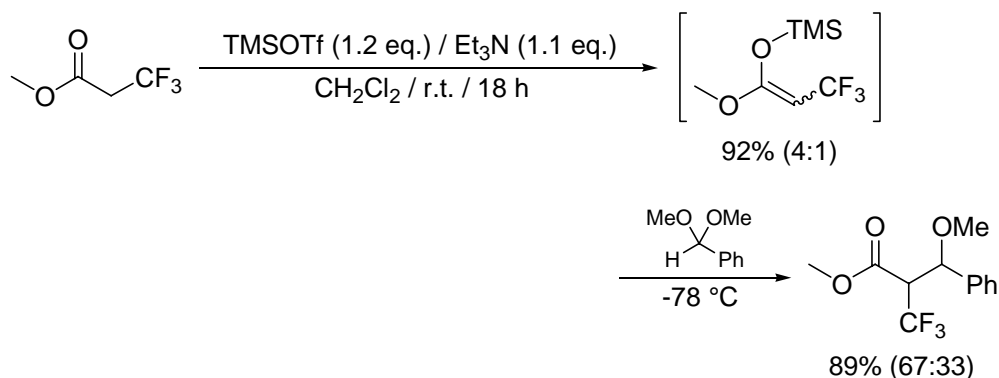
When employing a metal enolate as an intermediate, the choice of the metal and the method of the enolate generation would be an important factor. The regioselectivity of the enolate, *E-Z* stereoselectivity, and the metal employed could change the reactivity of the enolate dramatically.

In the case of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds, the preparation of the enolate is a serious problem. The generation of enolates normally requires a base for abstracting α proton. However, as mentioned before (Scheme 1-5), α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds are sensitive to base and readily decompose. There are several reports which dealt with the aldol reaction of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds and all of them invented the way of the generation of the enolate to make the aldol reaction to work.

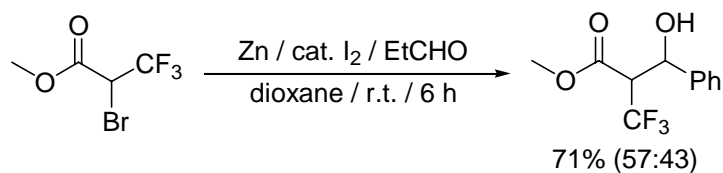
The first report of the aldol reaction of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds was done by Yokozawa, Nakai, and Ishikawa (Scheme 1-15).⁷² They prepared ketene silyl acetal of α -CF₃ ester but not metal enolate. However, its isolation was difficult and they directly used for the aldol reaction. The aldol reaction with dimethyl acetal of ketones and aldehydes catalyzed by TMSOTf proceeded well to give the aldol product in high yields, but in low selectivity.⁷³ The ketene silyl acetal did not react with aldehydes (except for benzaldehyde). When TiCl₄ was used as a catalyst, defluorination took place.

(72) (a) Yokozawa, T.; Nakai, T.; Ishikawa, N. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1984**, 25, 3987-3990. (b) Yokozawa, T.; Yamaguchi, M.; Nakai, T.; Ishikawa, N. *J. Chem. Soc. Jpn. (Nippon kagakukai shi)* **1985**, 2202-2204.

(73) Later, Kitazume and co-workers reported the aldol reaction of α -CF₃ ketone using the same method. Tominaga, T.; Nishi, K.; Kitazume, T. *J. Fluorine Chem.* **2004**, 125, 67-71.

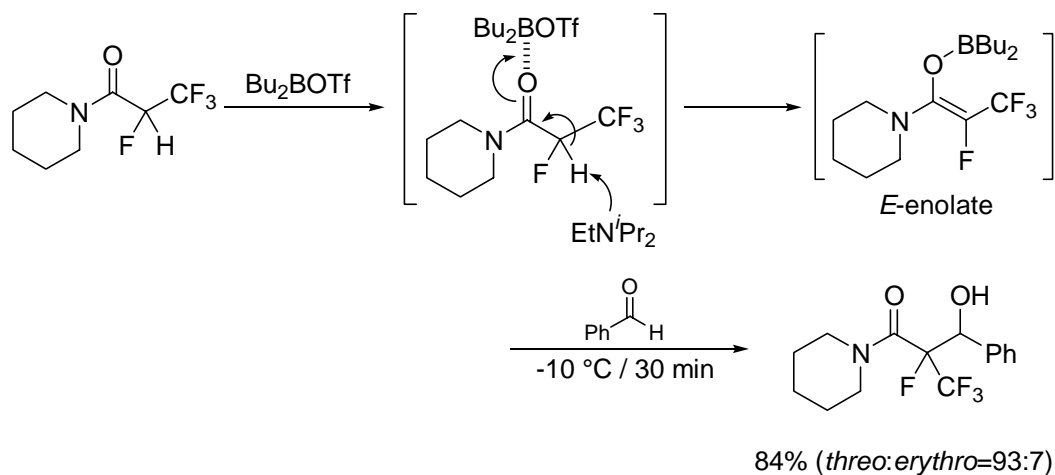
Scheme 1-15.

Reformatsky reaction of α -CF₃ ester was reported by the same workers (Scheme 1-16).⁷⁴ A Zn enolate intermediate could react with aldehydes, which ketene silyl acetal could not undergo a reaction. However, ketene silyl acetals could not react with ketones and defluorination occurred. By this method, they could avoid using base.

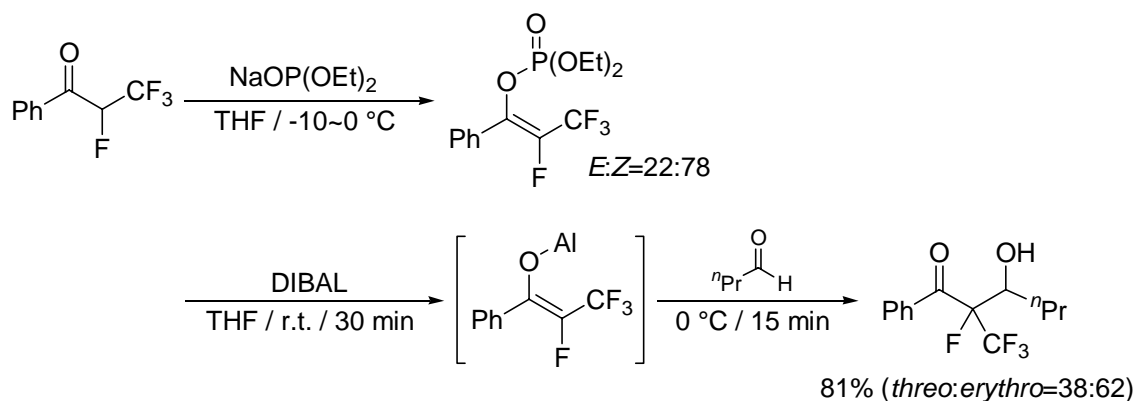
Scheme 1-16.

Ishihara and co-workers reported the generation of B and A1 enolates of α -CF₃ carbonyl compound and successive aldol reaction.³⁵ In fact this is the only report of metal enolates of an α -CF₃ carbonyl compound. The concept is to avoid generation of anion at α position adjacent to CF₃ group in order to suppress defluorination. For B enolates, they add Bu₂BOTf to α -CF₃ amide to form a complex and then add EtNⁱPr₂ (Scheme 1-17). By this method, they reported that the generation of anion at α position could be avoided. Successive aldol reaction gave good yield and diastereoselectivity.

(74) Yokozawa, T.; Ishikawa, N.; Nakai, T. *Chem. Lett.* **1987**, 1971-1974.

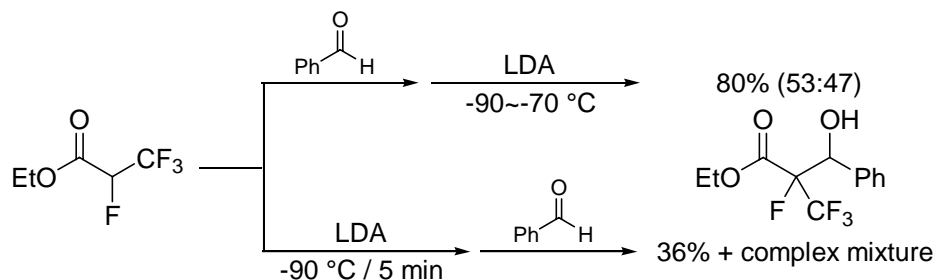
Scheme 1-17.

They also reported Al enolate of α -CF₃ ketone and its aldol reaction (Scheme 1-18). Generation of the Al enolate was achieved by DIBAL reduction of alkenyl phosphate.

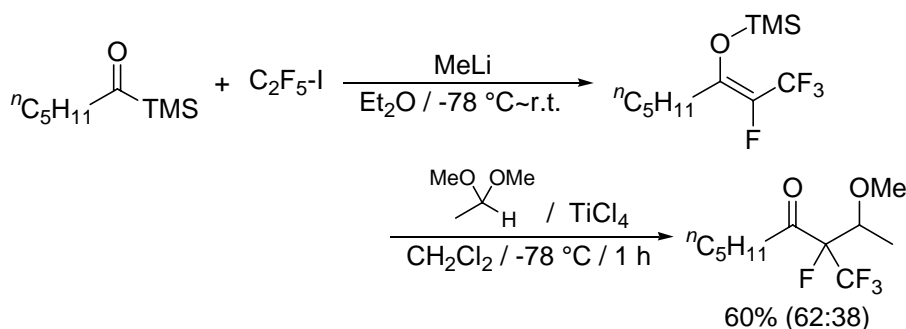
Scheme 1-18.

Nakai and co-workers reported an “electrophile-coexisting” procedure for the aldol reaction of Li enolate of α -CF₃ ester (Scheme 1-19).⁷⁵ When the enolate was separately prepared by LDA before the addition of aldehyde, the aldol product was obtained only in 36% with a complex mixture of other by-products. However, when LDA was added to the α -CF₃ ester in the presence of aldehyde, the aldol product was obtained in 80% yield.

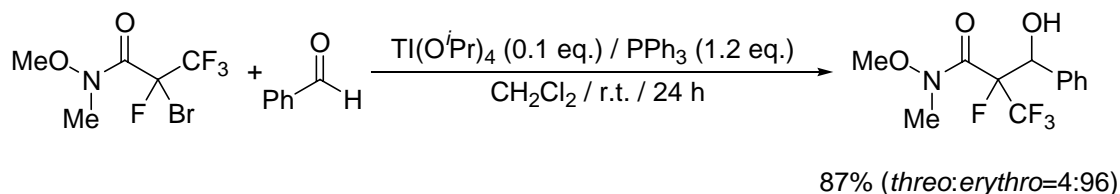
(75) (a) Qian, C.-P.; Nakai, T. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 4602-4604. (b) Qian, C.-P.; Nakai, T. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1990**, *31*, 7043-7046.

Scheme 1-19.

Portella and co-workers reported the synthesis of silyl enol ether of α -CF₃ ketone by the reaction of perfluoroalkyl iodide and acylsilane (Scheme 1-20).⁷⁶ This silyl enol ether reacted only with ketal and not with aldehyde. They used TiCl₄ as a Lewis acid for the aldol reaction. This is in contrast with the aldol reaction of the ketene silyl acetal (Scheme 1-15),⁷² in which defluorination occurred upon addition of TiCl₄.

Scheme 1-20.

Quite recently, Ishihara, Yamanaka and co-workers reported the aldol-type reaction of α -CF₃ amide (Scheme 1-21).⁷⁷ Combination of PPh₃-Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ system on α -Br amide generate Ti enolate of α -CF₃ amide.

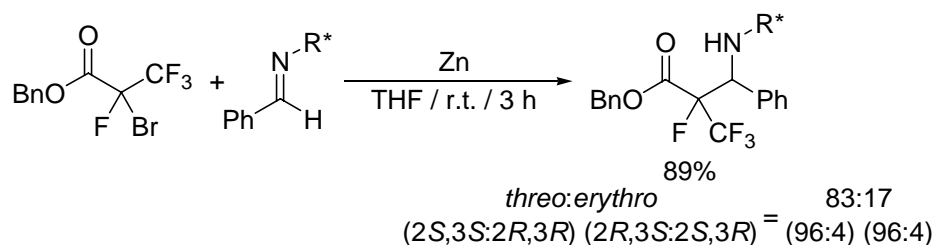
Scheme 1-21.

(76) Doussot, P.; Portella, C. *J. Org. Chem.* **1993**, *58*, 6675-6680.

(77) (a) Sato, K.; Sekiguchi, T.; Ishihara, T.; Konno, T.; Yamanaka, H. *Chem. Lett.* **2004**, *33*, 154-155.
 (b) Sato, K.; Sekiguchi, T.; Ishihara, T.; Konno, T.; Yamanaka, H. *J. Org. Chem.* **2004**, *69*, 5041-5047.

They also reported the Reformatsky-type reaction of α -CF₃ ester with imine (Scheme 1-22).⁷⁸

Scheme 1-22.



Enolate generation is the key for success in aldol reaction of α -CF₃ ketone. Most of the examples listed above overcame this difficulty by modifying the enolate generation procedure. Moreover, all of the previous report of the generation and aldol reaction of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds utilize α,α -CF₃,F substrate and there is no report which makes use of ketone. Enolate generation of an α -CF₃ carbonyl compound, especially ketone, is therefore a challenging problem. Moreover, none of the previous works gave satisfactory result for both yield and diastereoselectivity. Therefore, the author investigated the enolate generation and aldol reaction of α -CF₃ ketone as one of the functionalization reaction of α -CF₃ ketone which the author would also investigate its synthetic methods.

1-6-3. Baeyer-Villiger reaction.

Baeyer-Villiger (B-V) reaction (Scheme 1-23) is a reaction which could transform ketone into ester or lactone by peroxide.⁷⁹ Since its discovery in 1899 by Adolf von Baeyer and Victor Villiger,⁸⁰ The B-V reaction has become one of the most important synthetic methodologies. A two-step mechanism has been well accepted; (1) carbonyl addition of a peroxy acid to form a peroxy acid/carbonyl adduct, the Criegee intermediate,⁸¹ and then (2) skeletal rearrangement of the Criegee intermediate. Many

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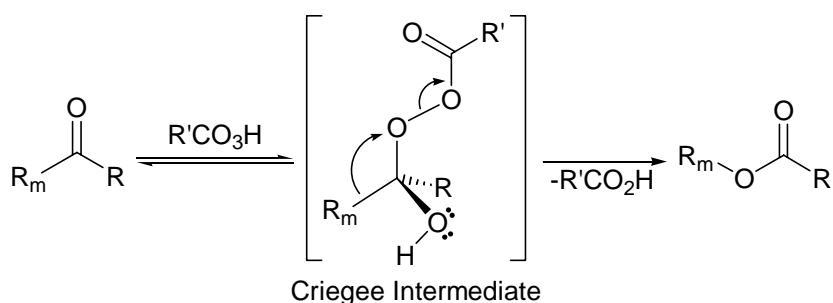
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(80) Baeyer, A.; Villiger, V. *Ber. Dtsch. Chem. Ges.* **1899**, *32*, 3625-3633.

(81) Criegee, R. *Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem.* **1948**, *560*, 127-135.

kinetic studies⁸² had been carried out to reveal that rearrangement of the Criegee intermediate is a concerted process and, with some exceptions,^{82f,i} it is a rate-determining step

Scheme 1-23.



Many outstanding aspects support its success in synthetic applications.

- (1) A variety of carbonyl compounds can be oxidized; ketones to esters, cyclic ketones to lactones, benzaldehydes to phenols, or carboxylic acids, and α -diketones into anhydrides.
- (2) Migrating group retains its configuration.
- (3) A variety of oxidants could be used by its reactivity. The order of the reactivity of the oxidant: trifluoroperacetic acid (TFPA) > monopermaleic acid > monopherphthalic acid > 3,5-dinitroperbenzoic acid > *p*-nitro perbenzoic acid > *m*-chloroperbenzoic acid (*m*CPBA) ~ performic acid > perbenzoic acid > peracetic acid >> hydrogen peroxide > *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide (TBHP).
- (4) The regioselectivity is highly predictable for hydrocarbon functionalities. The order of the migratory aptitude: *tert*-alkyl > cyclohexyl > *sec*-alkyl > benzyl > phenyl > *n*-alkyl > Me.

Concerning the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction, the ketonic substituent, that can best stabilize a partial positive charge, usually migrates referentially.⁸³ Stereoelectronic

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(83) Doering, W. von E.; Speers, L. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1950**, *72*, 5515-5518.

components of this reaction have been discussed for two factors (Figure 1-16).

- Primary stereoelectronic effect: Correct *anti*-periplanar alignment of the migrating substituent (R_m) and O-O bond of the leaving group.
- Secondary stereoelectronic effect: Correct *anti*-periplanar alignment of the migrating substituent (R_m) and one of the lone electron pair of acetal oxygen.

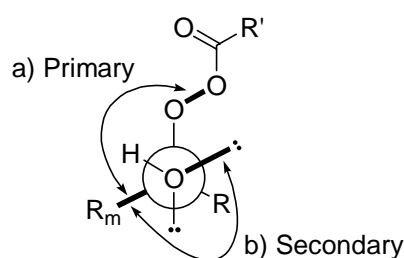
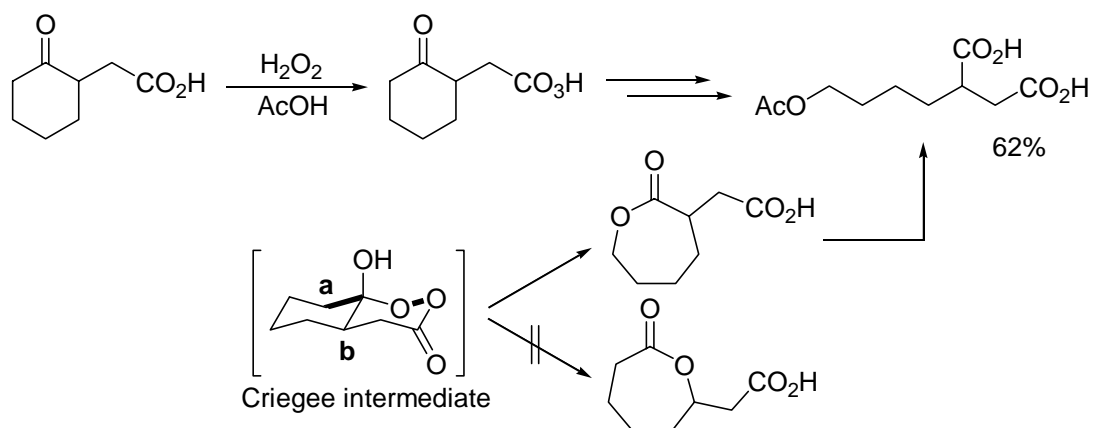


Figure 1-16. Stereoelectronic effect of B-V reaction.

Primary stereoelectronic effect is based on the interaction between migrating C-C σ orbital and leaving O-O σ^* orbital. There are two experimental evidences for primary stereoelectronic effect.

Chandraskhar used a substrate which bears carboxylic acid moiety (Scheme 1-24).⁸⁴ Hydrogen peroxide could form intramolecular peracid to fix the Criegee intermediate. Between two carbons **a** and **b**, only the migration of the carbon **a** is observed which is in correct *anti*-periplanar alignment.

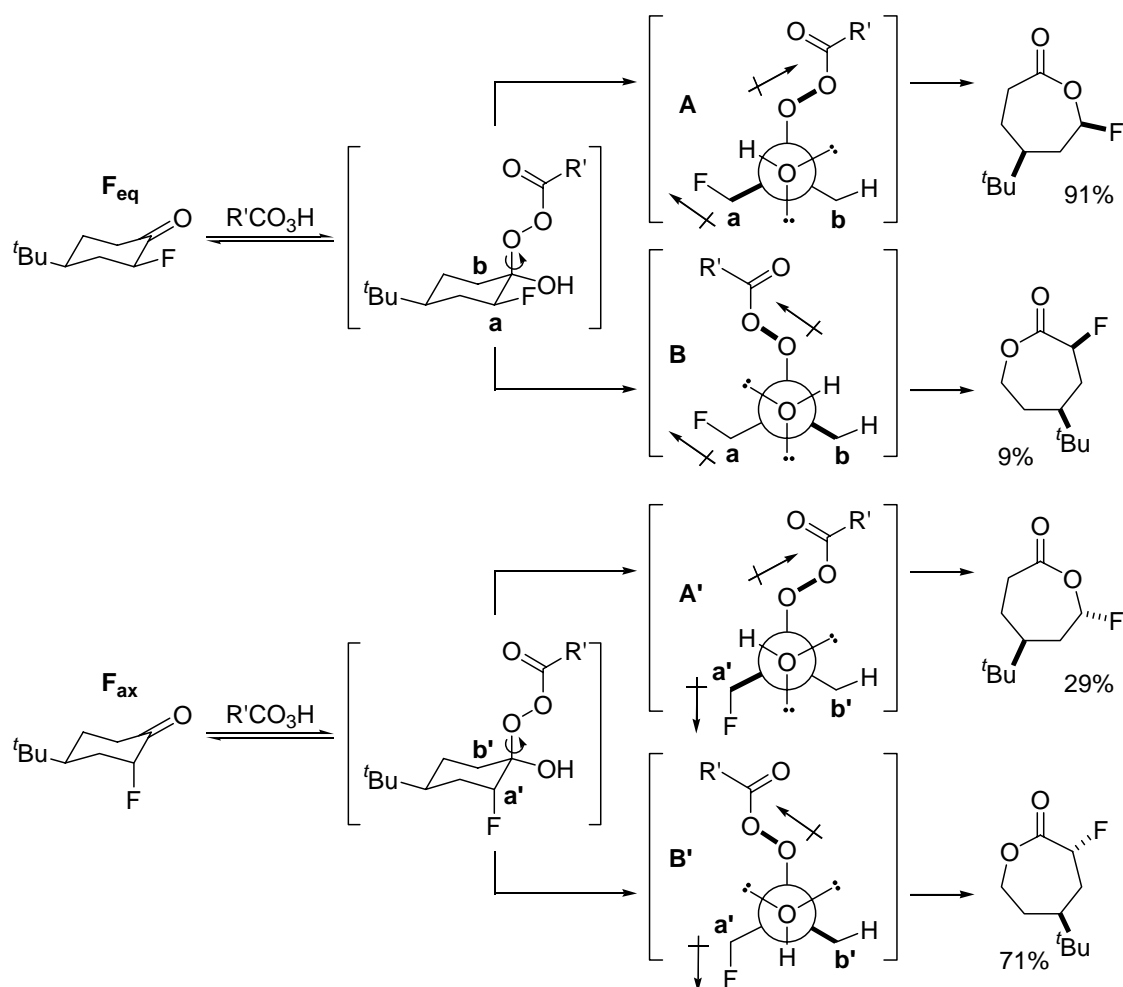
Scheme 1-24.



(84) Chandrasekhar, S.; Roy, C. D. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1987**, 28, 6371-6372.

Crudden used α -F cyclohexanone derivatives to prove the primary stereoelectronic effect (Scheme 1-25).⁸⁵ t Bu substituent could fix the conformation of F group to equatorial position. The B-V reaction was carried out using α -F_{eq} cyclohexanone by *m*CPBA. The carbon with fluorine substituent migrated preferentially which one might think strange because of its electron withdrawing nature to destabilize partial positive charge. This could be ascribed to the primary stereoelectronic effect. Between two intermediates **A** and **B**, **B** is destabilized relative to **A** in terms of dipole repulsion to bring about the migration of carbon **a** bearing fluorine substituent. In fact, the reaction of α -F_{ax} cyclohexanone, which the difference of the dipole interaction between two isomeric Criegee intermediates is not apparent, showed the preferential migration of the non-substituted carbon.

Scheme 1-25.

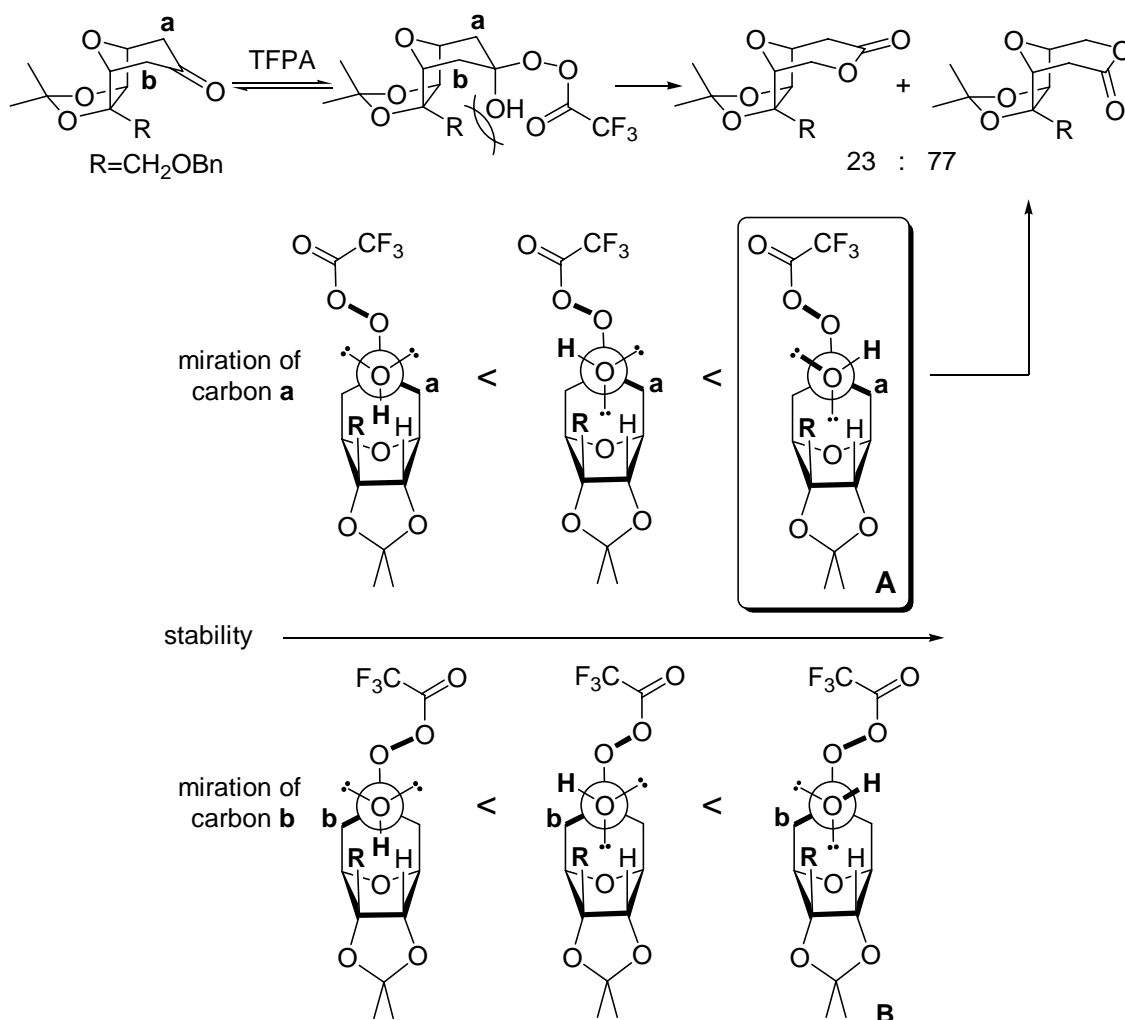


(85) Crudden C. M.; Chen, A. C.; Calhoun, L. A. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2000**, *39*, 2852-2855.

Secondary stereoelectronic effect is based on a donation of lone electron pair on acetal oxygen to the migrating C-C bond. There is only one experimental support for secondary stereoelectronic effect.

Noyori and co-workers reported the B-V reaction of a rigid bicyclic substrate (Scheme 1-26).⁸⁶ In this system, there are 6 possible conformations for the Criegee intermediate based on the migrating carbon (2 kinds) and the orientation of the acetal hydroxyl group (3 kinds). Steric repulsion makes the conformation **A** and **B** more stable for the migration of carbon **a** and **b** respectively. Experimental results show the preferential migration of carbon **a** to support the correct *anti*-periplanar alignment of the lone electron pair of the acetal oxygen and the migrating C-C bond.

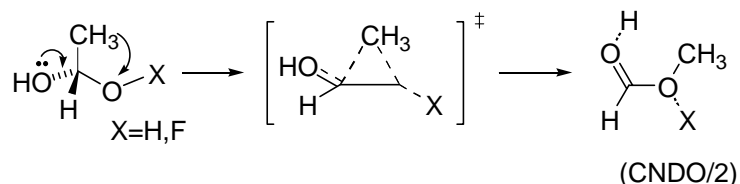
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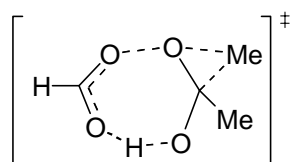
Mechanistic studies have been carried out not only experimentally, but also computationally. The first computational study of B-V reaction was reported by Winnik and co-workers (Scheme 1-27).⁸⁷ They used semiempirical method to conclude that the rearrangement occurs concertedly not ionically.

Scheme 1-27.



Cárdenas, Reyes and co-workers reported *ab initio* and semiempirical calculation of B-V reaction of acetone by performic acid using several methods and basis sets (Scheme 1-28).⁸⁸ They observed that irrespective of the methods of calculations, the topology of the TSs and the general orientation of the transition vectors are invariant. Later, they reported a semiempirical study on the transition structure of the reaction of acetone with alkyl and aryl peracids.⁸⁹

Scheme 1-28.



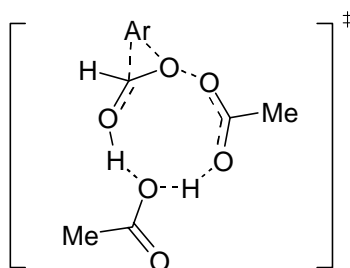
Okuno reported the *ab initio* calculations on the effect of carboxylic acid (Scheme 1-29).⁹⁰ He found that acid catalysis changes the rate-determining step to the rearrangement step from the carbonyl addition step.

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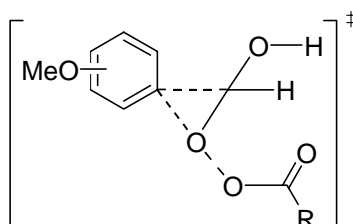
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(90) Okuno, Y. *Chem. Eur. J.* **1997**, *3*, 212-218.

Scheme 1-29.

Chermette and co-workers reported the semiempirical study of the B-V reaction of polymethoxybenzaldehydes with peroxysuccinic acid (Scheme 1-30).⁹¹ They investigated the stereoelectronic effect of methoxy group on the benzene ring.

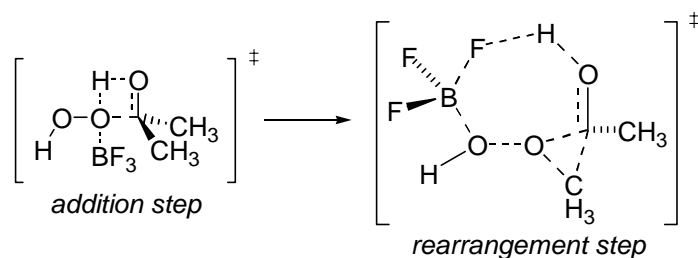
Scheme 1-30.

Brinck and co-workers reported the *ab initio* and DFT study of BF_3 assisted B-V reaction (Scheme 1-31).⁹² They found that the main function of BF_3 in both the addition and the rearrangement steps is to facilitate proton transfer (Scheme 1-31). Later, they reported *ab initio* and DFT studies of the B-V reaction of acetone with hydrogen peroxide catalyzed by Ser105-A1a.⁹³

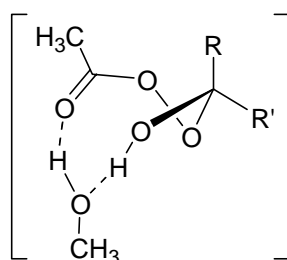
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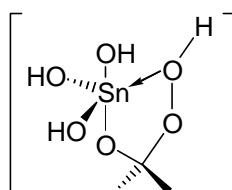
(93) Carlqvist, P.; Eklund, R.; Hult, K.; Brinck, T. *J. Mol. Model* **2003**, *9*, 164-171.

Scheme 1-31.

Lehtinen and co-workers reported the DFT study of the effect of alcohol at the rearrangement step of the B-V reaction of aldehydes with dioxygen and *m*CPBA (Scheme 1-32).⁹⁴ They investigated the stabilization effect of TS by methanol.

Scheme 1-32.

Root and co-workers reported the DFT study of tin-catalyzed B-V reaction by hydrogen peroxide (Scheme 1-33).⁹⁵ They investigated for several mechanisms for the reaction and found that the reaction is most likely to proceed through a Criegee intermediate that contains a five-membered chelate ring structure with the tin center.

Scheme 1-33.

Reyes and co-workers reported the computational study of the B-V reaction of substituted acetophenones with *m*CPBA (Scheme 1-34).⁹⁶ They investigated the

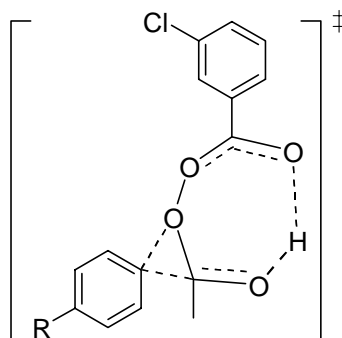
(94) Lehtinen, C.; Nevalainen, V.; Brunow, G. *Tetrahedron* **2001**, *57*, 4741-4751.

(95) Sever, R. R.; Root, T. W. *J. Phys. Chem. B* **2003**, *107*, 10848-10862.

(96) Reyes, L.; Castro, M.; Cruz, J.; Rubio, M. *J. Phys. Chem. A* **2005**, *109*, 3383-3390.

substituent effect on the benzene ring and found that the rate-determining step can change with variations in the substituent group.

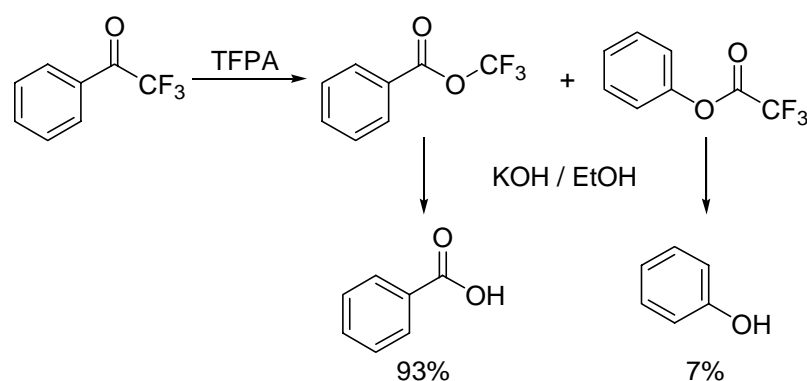
Scheme 1-34.



In view of the author's research interest on organofluorine compounds, intriguing stereoelectronic effects were reported for ketone which is functionalized with fluorine substituents.

Smisman, Li, and Israili reported the B-V reaction of 1,1,1-trifluoroacetophenone (Scheme 1-35).⁹⁷ After base catalyzed hydrolysis, benzoic acid and phenol was detected in 72% combined yield and in 93:3 ratio. This indicates the preferential migration of CF₃ group; however, they mentioned about the possibility that the formation of the benzoic acid might be the result of haloform type reaction of unchanged starting material could not be ignored.

Scheme 1-35.

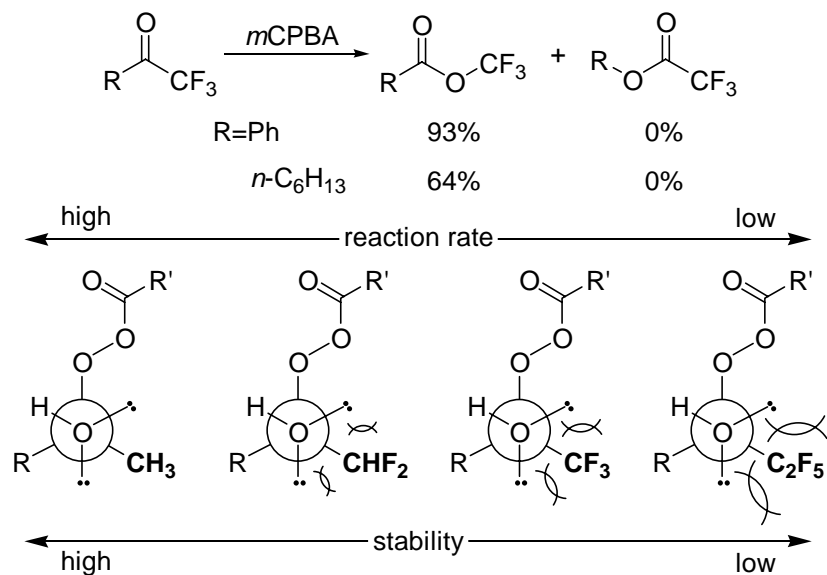


In sharp contrast to the above result, Kitazume and co-worker reported the preferential migration of Ph group at the B-V reaction of 1,1,1-trifluoroacetophenone

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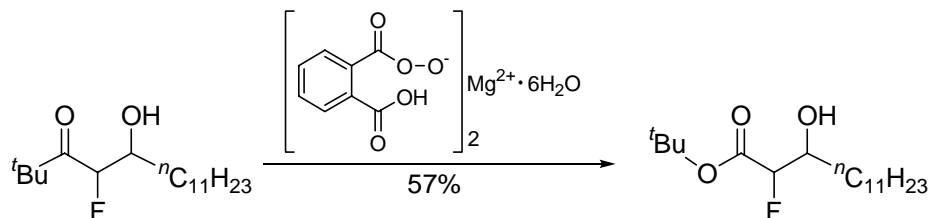
with *m*CPBA (Scheme 1-36).⁹⁸ They investigated several α fluorinated ketones and found that the migratory aptitude of the group is phenyl>alkyl>methyl>CHF₂>CF₃>>C₂F₅. This order was attributed to the stability of the Criegee intermediate based on the electronic repulsion between the lone electron pair of the oxygen and the fluoroalkyl group.

Scheme 1-36.



Shiozaki and co-worker reported the B-V reaction of fluorinated ketone to obtain α -monofluoroester (Scheme 1-37).⁹⁹ *m*CPBA or TFPA gave the product in poor yield. The use of 5 eq. of magnesium monophtalate provide the product in increased yield, though in 57% yield.

Scheme 1-37.

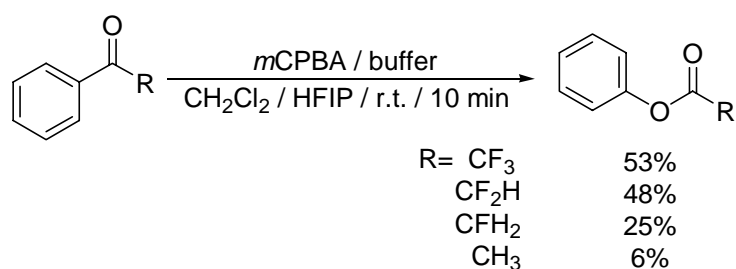


(98) Kitazume, T.; Kataoka, J. *J. Fluorine Chem.* **1996**, *80*, 157-158.

(99) Shiozaki, M.; Arai, M. *J. Org. Chem.* **1989**, *54*, 3754-3755.

Uneyama and co-workers reported the B-V reaction of several α -fluorinated ketones (Scheme 1-38).¹⁰⁰ They found the use of 1,1,1,3,3,3-hexafluoro-2-propanol (HFIP) and the aqueous buffer were effective for the B-V reaction. IR absorption of the carbonyl group in the substrate revealed that the fluoromethyl groups activate carbonyl group electronically, and make the nucleophilic addition of peracid to the carbonyl carbon easier.

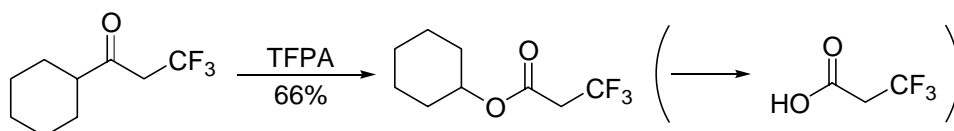
Scheme 1-38.



As cited before,⁸⁵ Crudden and co-workers reported the interesting stereoelectronics of the B-V reaction of the α -F cyclohexanone (Scheme 1-25).

On account of the author's research project on α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds, stereoelectronic effects of the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketone are quite interesting. However, there is only one example of the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketone which is in one step of the synthesis of 3,3,3-trifluoropropionic acid (Scheme 1-39).¹⁰¹ They observed the exclusive migration of the carbon without CF₃ substituent. No experimental or theoretical investigation of the mechanism of this reaction was conducted.

Scheme 1-39.



Therefore, the author investigated the B-V reaction of the α -CF₃ ketones. Although several computational studies were reported, to the best of the author's knowledge, no one has done computationally on the origin of the regioselectivity of the B-V

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reaction.¹⁰² Therefore, computational study of the specific stereoelectronic effect for the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction was carried out not only for the α -CF₃ ketone but also for α -Me and F substrates in order to clarify the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction in general.

1-7. Constitution of the thesis.

The goal of this research is the development of synthetic methods for the construction of CF₃-containing compounds using α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds and the theoretical investigation of specific properties (Figure 1-17).

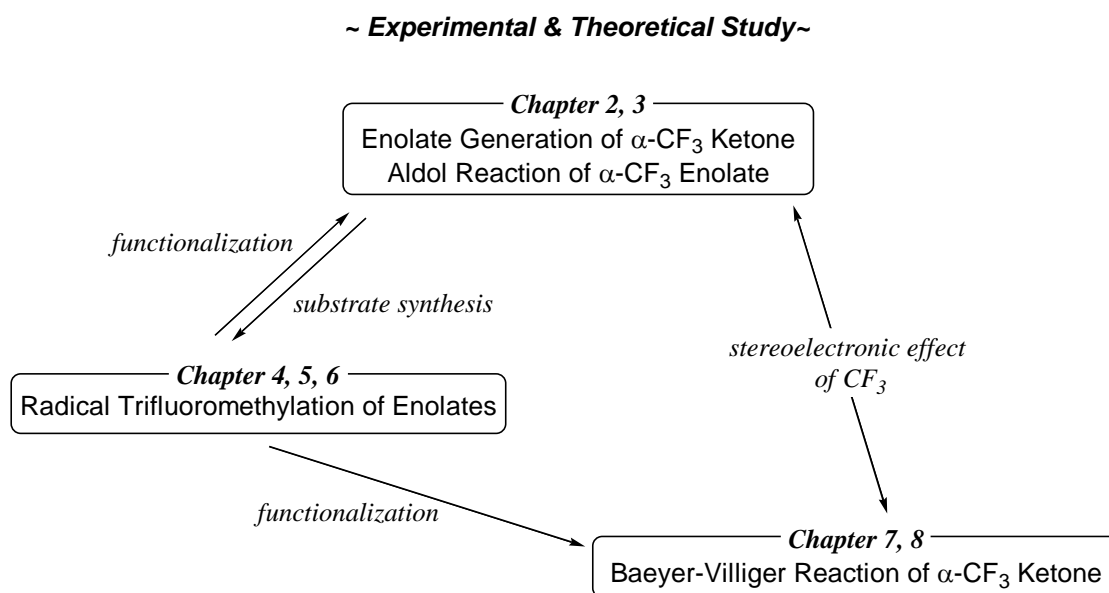
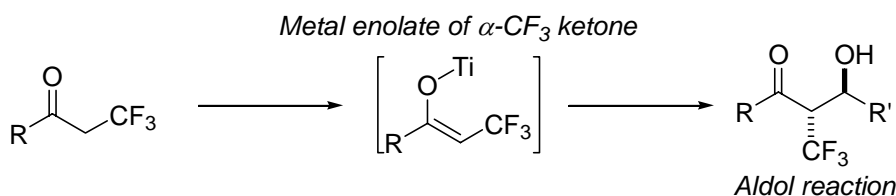


Figure 1-17. Key map of the thesis.

In chapter 2, direct generation of enolates of α -CF₃ ketones and its application to aldol reaction are investigated experimentally (Scheme 1-40).

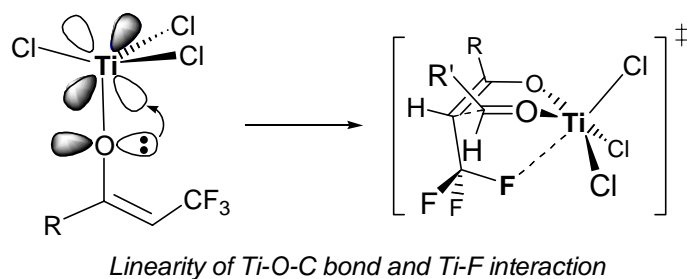
Scheme 1-40.



(102) During the preparation of this thesis, Crudden and co-workers have reported a computational study of the B-V reaction of α -F, Cl ketones. Grein, F.; Chen, A. C.; Edwards, D.; Crudden, C. M. *J. Org. Chem.* **2006**, *71*, 861-872.

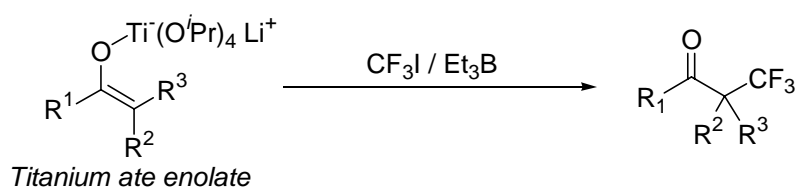
Chapter 3 will deal with anomalous properties of the enolate and its aldol reaction theoretically (Scheme 1-41).

Scheme 1-41.



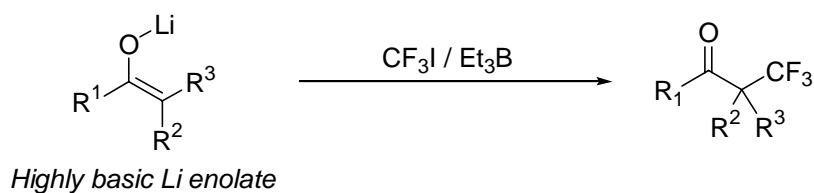
Radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates is described experimentally in Chapter 4 (Scheme 1-42).

Scheme 1-42.



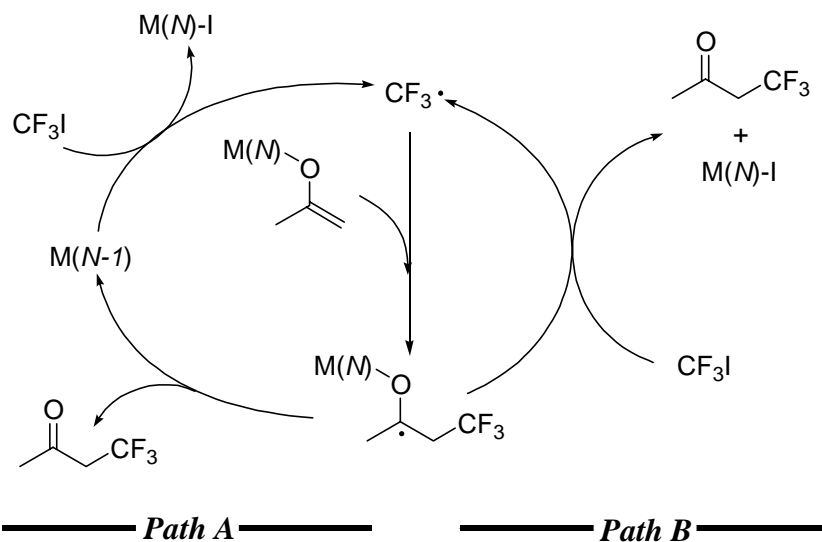
Highly basic Li enolates are reported for radical trifluoromethylation experimentally in Chapter 5 (Scheme 1-43).

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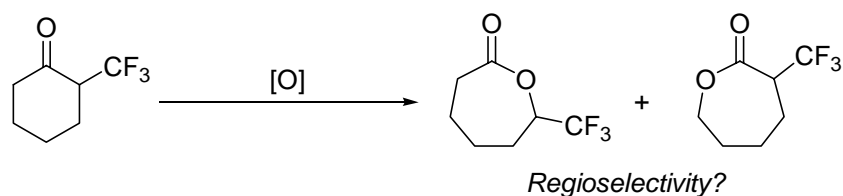
In chapter 6, radical trifluoromethylation mechanisms are clarified theoretically for Ti ate and Li enolates (Scheme 1-44).

Scheme 1-44.



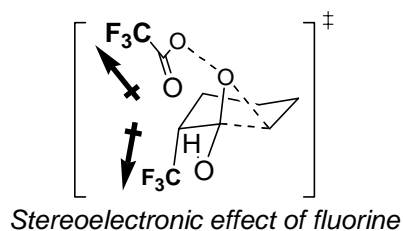
The B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketone is investigated experimentally in Chapter 7 (Scheme 1-45).

Scheme 1-45.



Finally, the B-V reaction of α -Me, F, CF₃ cyclohexanone was investigated theoretically in Chapter 8 (Scheme 1-46).

Scheme 1-46.



Chapter 2

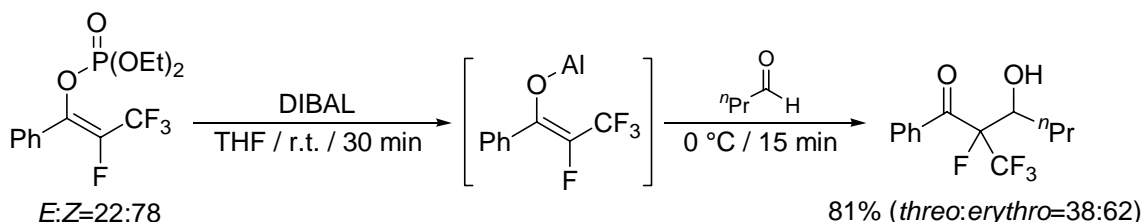
Direct Generation and Aldol Reaction of Ti Enolate of

α -CF₃ Ketone

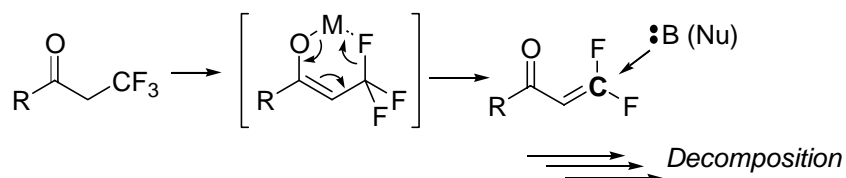
2-1. Introduction.

The author has been interested in developing synthetic methods for the construction of CF₃ containing compounds because of their specific physical properties and less availabilities. α -CF₃ Enolate methodology is, in principal, one of the most effective ways for constructing CF₃ containing compounds. However, there is only one example of generation of the α -CF₃ ketone Al enolate *via* DIBAL reduction of alkenyl phosphate (Scheme 2-1).¹ Facile defluorination is always an obstacle in the generation of an α -CF₃ metal enolate (Scheme 2-2). We herein report our discovery of efficient generation of Ti enolates directly from α -CF₃ ketones and their highly diastereoselective aldol reactions.²

Scheme 2-1



Scheme 2-2



2-2. Direct generation of Ti enolate of α -CF₃ ketone.

Upon generation of a variety of metal enolates of α -CF₃ ketones, we discovered that the enolate could be formed quantitatively by using TiCl₄ and Et₃N (Table 2-1) according to the enolate generation of non-fluorinated ketones.³ The α -deuteriated

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- (2) (a) Itoh, Y.; Yamanaka, M.; Mikami, K. *Org. Lett.* **2003**, *5*, 4807-4809. (b) Itoh, Y.; Yamanaka, M.; Mikami, K. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2004**, *126*, 13174-13175.
- (3) (a) Harrison, C. R. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1987**, *28*, 4135-4138. (b) Evans, D. A.; Clark, J. S.; Metternich, Novack, V. J.; Sheppard, G. S. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 866-868. (c) Evans, D. A.; Urpí, F.; Somers, T. C.; Clark, J. S.; Bilodeau, M. T. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1990**, *112*, 8215-8216. (d) Evans, D. A.; Rieger, D. L.; Bilodeau, M. T.; Urpí, F. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1991**, *113*, 1047-1049. (e) Esteve, C.; Ferreró, M.; Romea, P.; Urpí, F.; Vilarrasa, J. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1999**,

ketone (**2**) was obtained in quantitative yield using 35wt% DCl/D₂O for quenching the enolate (entry 2).⁴ This result clearly shows that TiCl₃ enolates can be directly generated quantitatively from α -CF₃ ketones. In sharp contrast, common methods for generating boron⁵ or tin⁶ enolate could not be applied to generate the corresponding enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone at all (entries 3, and 4) and the starting material was recovered. On the other hand, the Li enolate was formed only in low yield using LDA and the total recovery of **1** and **2** was only 35% (entry 5). This result indicates that defluorination took place in the case of Li enolate.⁷

Table 2-1. Formation of the TiCl₃ enolate of α -CF₃ ketone.

$$\text{R}-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{CH}_2-\text{CF}_3 \xrightarrow[\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2, -78\text{ }^\circ\text{C} / 30\text{ min}]{\text{Metal / Base}} \left[\text{R}-\text{C}(\text{O}^-\text{M})=\text{CH}-\text{CF}_3 \right] \xrightarrow[\text{DCl / D}_2\text{O}]{\text{D}_2\text{O or}} \text{R}-\text{C}(\text{O})-\text{CH}(\text{D})-\text{CF}_3$$

| entry | Metal/Base (eq.) | Reagent for quench | yield (%) ^a | |
|----------------|---|----------------------|------------------------|-----|
| | | | 1 | 2 |
| 1 | TiCl ₄ (1.2) / Et ₃ N (1.4) | D ₂ O | 16 | 81 |
| 2 | | DCl/D ₂ O | trace | >99 |
| 3 | Sn(OTf) ₂ (1.2) / 1-Et-piperidine (1.4) | D ₂ O | >99 | 0 |
| 4 | ⁿ Bu ₂ BOTf (1.2) / Et ₃ N (1.4) | D ₂ O | >99 | 0 |
| 5 ^b | LDA (1.0) | D ₂ O | 31 | 4 |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

^b THF was used as a solvent.

The Ti/amine system is known to give (*Z*)-enolates.³ Indeed, when the α -CF₃ ketone (**1**) was transformed to the silyl enol ether, only the (*Z*)-enolate was obtained on the basis of NMR experiment (Scheme 2-3).⁸

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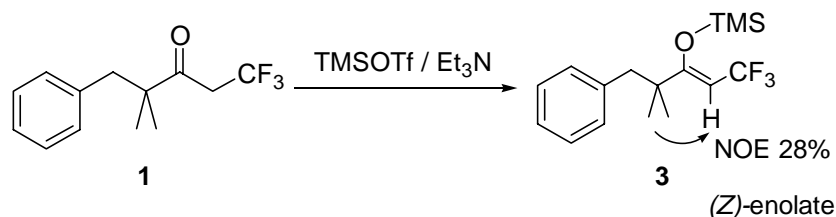
(4) When the enolate was quenched with D₂O, the yield of **2** was only 81% (entry 1). This is presumably due to the protonation by HCl salt of Et₃N (formed as a byproduct of enolate formation).

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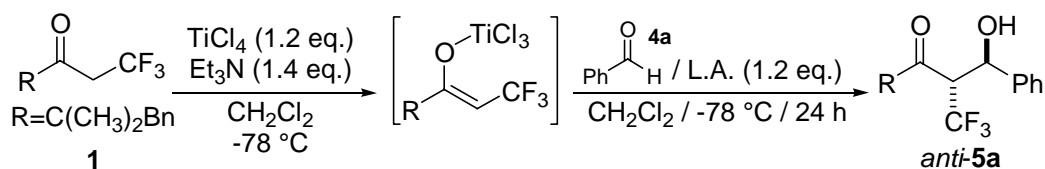
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(7) Defluorination also took place when the TiCl₃-enolate of α -CF₃ ketone was warmed above -78 °C. Therefore, low temperature reaction is essential.

(8) Trapping experiment of the TiCl₃ enolate of α -CF₃ ketone by TMSCl or TMSOTf was carried out.

Scheme 2-3.**2-3. Aldol reaction of the Ti enolate of α -CF₃ ketone.**

The aldol reaction of the TiCl₃ enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone was then examined (Table 2-2). Upon addition of benzaldehyde to the *in situ* generated TiCl₃ enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone, the aldol product was obtained in high diastereoselectivity (*anti:syn*=>99:<1), though in moderate yield (46%) (entry 1). Several Lewis acids were examined as an additive in order to increase the yield. The most typical Lewis acid BF₃·OEt₂ did not affect the reaction (entry 2). SnCl₄ (entry 3) and TiCl₄ (entry 4) decreased the yield. A defluorination product was observed on TLC when using TiCl₄ and SnCl₄ which accounts for the low yield. Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ was extremely effective to produce the product in almost perfect yield and diastereoselectivity (97% yield, *anti:syn*=99:1) (entry 5).

Table 2-2. Aldol reaction of Ti enolate of α -CF₃ ketone with various Lewis acids.

| entry | L.A. | yield (%) | <i>anti:syn</i> ^a |
|-------|---|-----------------|------------------------------|
| 1 | - | 46 ^b | >99:<1 |
| 2 | BF ₃ ·OEt ₂ | 45 ^b | 99:1 |
| 3 | SnCl ₄ | 27 ^a | 99:1 |
| 4 | TiCl ₄ | 11 ^a | >99:<1 |
| 5 | Ti(O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₄ | 97 ^b | 99:1 |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

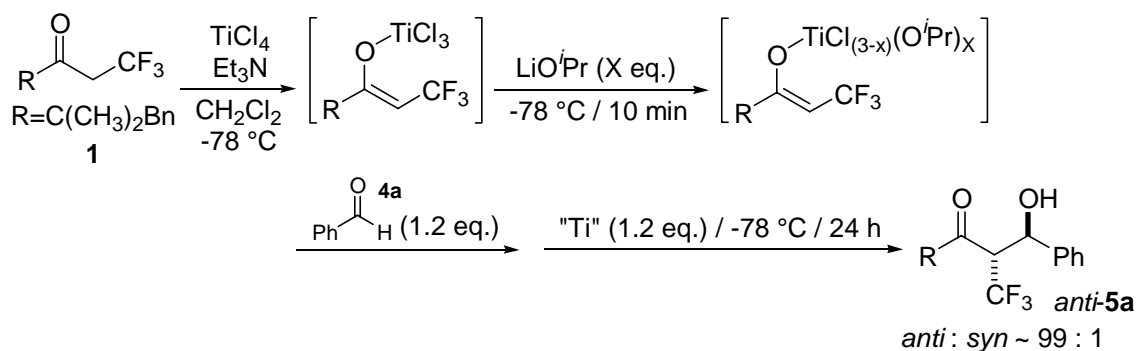
^b Yield of the isolated products.

However, they did not react with the enolate.

2-4. Effect of Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄.

It is quite strange that strong Lewis acid (BF₃·OEt₂) did not affect the reaction and weaker Lewis acid like Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ significantly increased the product yield. One possibility is ligand exchange between TiCl₃ enolate and Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄. If one of the ligands of the TiCl₃ enolate exchange, TiCl₃ enolate would transform to the TiCl₂(O^{*i*}Pr) enolate to enhance its nucleophilicity. At the same time, Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ would become TiCl(O^{*i*}Pr)₃ to amplify its Lewis acidity to activate the aldehyde. Both nucleophilic and Lewis acidic effects would work for increasing the reaction rate. If two or more of the ligand exchange, these effects would increase. To confirm this postulate, ligand exchange was separately examined; LiO^{*i*}Pr was added to the TiCl₃ enolate to exchange the Cl ligand with O^{*i*}Pr and then the aldol reaction was carried out in the presence of “Ti” Lewis acid (TiCl_x(O^{*i*}Pr)_{4-x}). These results are listed in Table 2-3.

Table 2-3. The effects of Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄.



| entry | LiO ^{<i>i</i>} Pr (X eq.) | “Ti” | yield (%) ^a |
|-------|------------------------------------|---|------------------------|
| 1 | 0 | - | 46 |
| 2 | | TiCl ₄ | 11 ^b |
| 3 | | TiCl ₂ (O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₂ | 25 |
| 4 | | Ti(O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₄ | 97 |
| ----- | | | |
| 5 | 1.0 | - | 65 |
| 6 | | TiCl ₂ (O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₂ | 74 |
| 7 | | TiCl(O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₃ | 88 |
| ----- | | | |
| 8 | 2.0 | - | 80 |
| 9 | | TiCl ₂ (O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₂ | 84 |
| 10 | | TiCl(O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₃ | 80 |

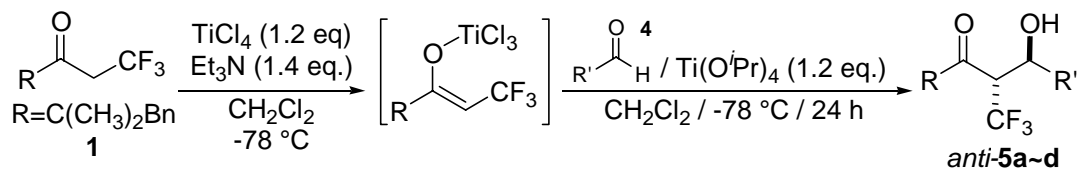
^a Yields of the isolated products.



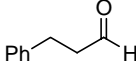

^b Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

When the reaction was carried out without the additional “Ti”, the product yield increased in accordance with the increased amount of the LiOⁱPr added (entries 1, 5, and 8), indicating that the ligand exchange of Cl with OⁱPr surely enhanced the nucleophilicity of the enolate. The additional “Ti” increased the reactivity even more. TiCl₂(OⁱPr)₂ and TiCl(OⁱPr)₃ were added to the aldol reaction system of the one-ligand exchanged enolate (entries 6, and 7). Although the Lewis acidity is lower than TiCl₂(OⁱPr)₂, TiCl(OⁱPr)₃ gave higher yield, which corresponds to the correct ratio of one-ligand exchange in the original system of TiCl₃ enolate and Ti(OⁱPr)₄. When TiCl₂(OⁱPr)₂ and TiCl(OⁱPr)₃ were added to the aldol reaction system of the two-ligand exchanged enolate (entries 9, and 10), the difference was not significant. All the trial could not reproduce the highest yield in entry 4, however, these results support the proposed ligand exchange mechanism.

2-5. Aldol reaction of TiCl₃ enolate of α-CF₃ ketone with various aldehydes.

Several aldehydes were reacted with the TiCl₃ enolate of the α-CF₃ ketone (**1**) (Table 2-4). In the case of aliphatic aldehydes (entries 2, and 3), the products (**5b**, **c**) were obtained in good yields and excellent diastereoselectivities. The reaction with fluoral deserves special comments because of its high reactivity and polymerizable nature. The use of ⁿBu₃N instead of Et₃N in the preparation of the enolate was essential for giving sufficient yield. In the case of ⁿBu₃N, fluoral could be introduced smoothly to the reaction mixture with moderate polymerization to give the aldol product in 83% yield. However, in the case of EtNⁱPr₂, significant polymerization occurred and the reaction mixture was capped with gummy “poly-fluoral” to prevent further introduction of fluoral into the reaction mixture and gave only 41% yield. In the case of Et₃N, polymerization also took place but not so significantly as compared with EtNⁱPr₂ (61% yield). Polarity of the whole system could be responsible for the polymerization since ⁿBu₃N with the longer alkyl chain could reduce its polarity. For the same reason of “poly-fluoral” formation, the use of Ti(OⁱPr)₄ was not effective (entry 4).

Table 2-4. Aldol reaction of TiCl₃ enolate of α -CF₃ ketone with various aldehydes.

| entry | yield ^a and diastereoselectivity ^b | |
|----------------|--|---|
| | without Ti(O ⁱ Pr) ₄ | with Ti(O ⁱ Pr) ₄ |
| 1 |  4a | 46% (>99:<1) / 97% (99:1) |
| 2 |  4b | 45% (98:2) / 80% (99:1) |
| 3 |  4c | 42% (98:2) / 74% (97:3) |
| 4 ^c |  4d | 83% (90:10) / 75% (91:9) |

^a Yields of the isolated products.

^b Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

^c ⁿBu₃N was used instead of Et₃N in the preparation of the enolate. Aldol reaction time was 3-4 h.

2-6. Determination of the relative stereochemistry of the aldol reaction.

Diastereoselectivity of the major product of the aldol reaction with benzaldehyde (**5a**) was determined to be *anti* by X-ray crystal structure analysis (Figure 2-1).

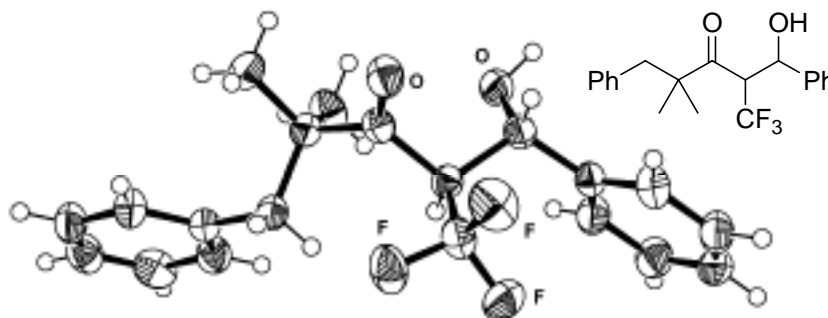
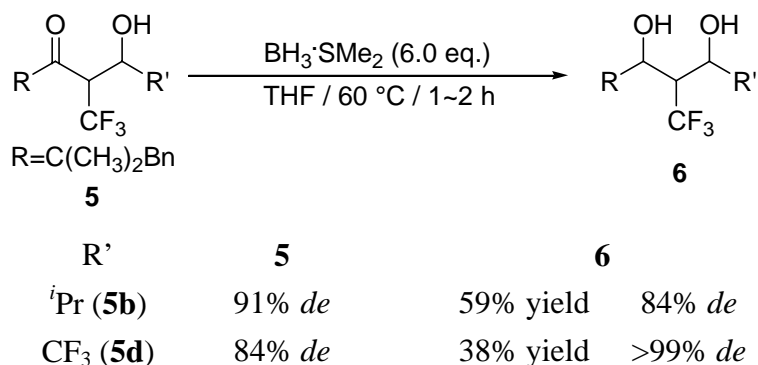


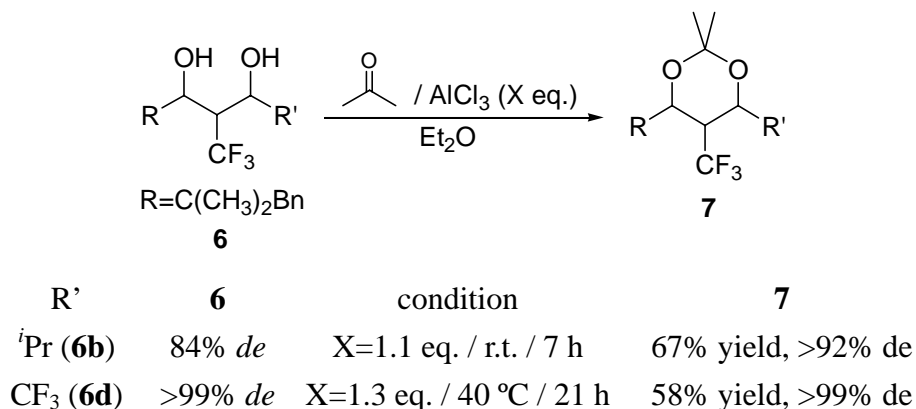
Figure 2-1. X-ray structure of *anti*-**5a**.

To determine the relative stereochemistry of **5b** and **d**, the aldol products were converted to acetonides by reduction ($\text{BH}_3 \cdot \text{SMe}_2$) and successive protection of the 1,3-diols (acetone/ AlCl_3). The results of the transformation are summarized in Scheme 2-4 and Scheme 2-5.

Scheme 2-4. Transformation of the aldol products to the 1,3-diols.



Scheme 2-5. Transformation of the 1,3-diols to the acetonides.

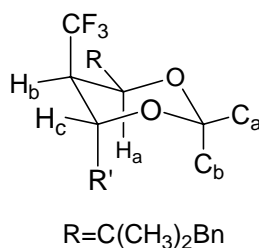


First, relative stereochemistry of the 1,3-diol (**6**) could be determined by the difference of the ^{13}C NMR chemical shift of the two acetonide carbons according to Rychnovsky's method;⁹ if the difference is more than 9 ppm, the diol has *syn*-stereochemistry, and if the difference is less than 5 ppm, the diol has *anti*-stereochemistry. In this case, the difference for **7b** and **7d** were 2.8 and 2.7 ppm respectively. Thus both of the 1,3-diols (**6**) have *anti*-stereochemistry. By considering the bulkiness of the substituent R ($\sim^i\text{Bu}$), R' could be deduced to be in axial orientation. Next, the orientation of CF_3 group could be assigned by analyzing the coupling constants of the acetonide. For **7b** ($\text{R}' = ^i\text{Pr}$), $^3J_{\text{HaHb}}$ (~ 0 Hz) and $^3J_{\text{HbHc}}$ (6.6 Hz) could be

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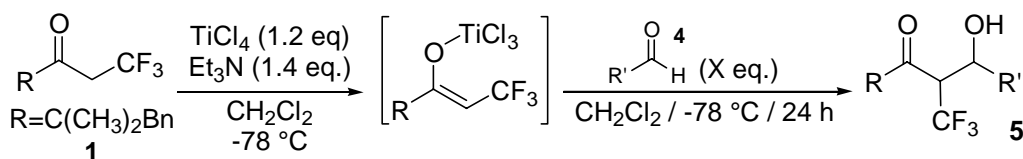
the strong evidence for axial position of the CF₃ group. For **7d** (R'=CF₃), $^3J_{\text{HaHb}}$ (~0 Hz) and $^3J_{\text{HbHc}}$ (5.7 Hz) could also be the strong evidence for axial orientation of the CF₃ group. Thus, both aldol products **5b** and **d** have *anti*-stereochemistry (Table 2-5).

Table 2-5. Summary of the NMR analysis.



| R' | $ \delta C_a - \delta C_b $ (ppm) | $(^3J_{\text{HaHb}}, ^3J_{\text{HbHc}})$ (Hz) | | |
|-----------------|--|---|---|----------------------------------|
| <i>i</i> Pr | 2.8 (<i>anti</i> -diol (6b)) | (~0, 6.6) | → | <i>anti</i> -aldol (5b) |
| CF ₃ | 2.7 (<i>anti</i> -diol (6d)) | (~0, 5.7) | → | <i>anti</i> -aldol (5d) |

For the minor isomers of the aldol products, only *syn*-**5a** could be isolated by silica gel column chromatography. The ratio of the minor isomer (*syn*-**5a**) increased when the aldol reaction was carried out with an excess amount of benzaldehyde (**4a**) (Table 2-6). The small peaks in ¹⁹F NMR of the aldol products **5b** and **c**, which are speculated to be minor isomer, showed the same tendency. Therefore, those peaks were determined to be the minor isomer. In the case of **5a** and **5b**, the minor isomers were assigned to be *syn*.

Table 2-6. Diastereoselectivity in different amount of the aldehydes.

| R' | X (eq.) | yield (%) ^a | major:minor ^b |
|--|---------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ph (4a) | 1.2 | 46 | >99:<1 |
| | 2.0 | 47 | 94:6 |
| | 5.0 | 23 ^c | 88:12 |
| ⁱ Pr (4b) | 1.2 | 45 | 98:2 |
| | 2.0 | 20 | 97:3 |
| | 5.0 | 29 | 90:10 |
| CH ₂ CH ₂ Ph (4c) | 1.2 | 42 | 98:2 |
| | 2.0 | 46 | 89:11 |
| | 5.0 | 36 | 67:33 |

^a Yield of the isolated product.

^b In the case of **5a** and **5b**, major isomer corresponds to *anti*-isomer and minor to *syn*-isomer.

^c Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

For the relative stereochemistry of **5c**, it was determined by ¹⁹F NMR chemical shift of the CF₃ group. The ¹⁹F NMR chemical shifts of CF₃ groups of *syn*-**5a**, **b**, and **d** appeared in lower magnetic field relative to the *anti*-**5a**, **b**, and **d** respectively. By analogy, two sets of ¹⁹F NMR peaks in **5c** could be assigned; peak in low magnetic field for *syn*-isomer, and those in high magnetic field for *anti*-isomer (Table 2-7).

Table 2-7. ¹⁹F NMR chemical shift of the aldol product.

| R' | ¹⁹ F NMR (ppm) | |
|--|---------------------------|---------------------|
| | <i>syn</i> -isomer | <i>anti</i> -isomer |
| Ph (5a) | -61.4 | -62.6 |
| ⁱ Pr (5b) | -59.6 | -62.5 |
| CH ₂ CH ₂ Ph (5c) | -60.3 | -62.3 |
| CF ₃ (5d) ^a | -60.6 | -63.0 |

^a ¹⁹F NMR of the α-CF₃.

All the aldol products thus show *anti*-selectivity. With the Ti/amine system, there are many examples that support for the formation of (*Z*)-enolates to give *syn*-aldol products *via* the six-membered transition state.³ Therefore, this result implies the involvement of some unique effects of CF₃ substituents.

2-7. Conclusion.

In conclusion, the author has discovered that the Ti enolate of an α -CF₃ ketone could be easily generated and that the subsequent aldol reaction proceeds in up to quantitative yield and virtually perfect diastereoselectivity. Thus one of the difficult and important issues in organofluorine chemistry, direct generation of metal enolate of α -CF₃ ketone, was achieved successfully.

Interesting questions arose. Why does the Ti enolate of an α -CF₃ ketone is stable and why the Li enolate is not? Why does the aldol reaction of the Ti (*Z*)-enolate of an α -CF₃ ketone gave *anti*-product? Those questions are discussed in Chapter 3.

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General

^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR were measured on Varian Gemini 2000 (300 MHz) spectrometers and ^{19}F NMR was measured on Varian UNITY INOVA (400 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shift of ^1H NMR was expressed in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane as an internal standard ($\delta=0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{13}C NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from CDCl_3 as an internal standard ($\delta=77.0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{19}F NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from BTF as an internal standard ($\delta=-63.24$) in CDCl_3 . Important NMR data were tabulated in following order: multiplicity (s: singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quartet, quint: quintet, sext: sextet, sept: septet, bs: broad singlet, bd: broad doublet, m: multiplet) and coupling constant (J (Hz)).

IR spectrum was measured on JASCO FT/IR-5000 spectrometer.

EI Mass spectra were measured on Shimazu QP-5000 spectrometer and JEOL JMS-700 spectrometer.

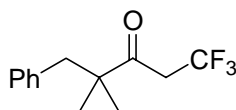
X-ray analysis was made on Rigaku Saturn 70 CCD area detector.

Analytical thin layer chromatographies (TLC) were performed on a glass plates and/or aluminum sheets pre-coated with silica gel (Merck Kieselgal 60 F₂₅₄, layer thickness 0.25 and 0.2 mm). Visualization was accomplished by UV light (254 nm), anisaldehyde, KMnO_4 and phosphomolybdic acid.

Column chromatography was performed on Merck Kieselgel 60 and KANTO Silica Gel 60N (spherical, neutral), employing hexane and ethyl acetate as an eluent.

THF and Et_2O were distilled over benzophenone-ketyl under Ar prior to use. CH_2Cl_2 (dehydrate) was purchased from Kanto Chemical Co., Inc.

All experiments were carried out under argon atmosphere unless otherwise noted.

1,1,1-Trifluoro-4,4-dimethyl-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (1)

See Chapter 4, **3e** for the synthesis.

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.16 (s, 6H), 2.81 (s, 2H), 3.17 (q, $J=9.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.07 (ddd, $J=1.7, 2.1, 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.19~7.32 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 23.8, 41.4 (q, $J=28.1$ Hz), 45.3, 48.9, 123.9 (q, $J=277.1$ Hz), 126.8, 128.2, 130.2, 136.8, 205.2 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

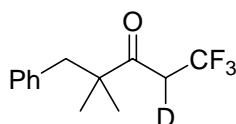
δ -63.0 (t, $J=9.8$ Hz) (ppm).

IR (neat)

3034, 2976, 1721, 1369, 1282, 1133, 1100 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=244$ [M^+].

***deuterio*-1,1,1-Trifluoro-4,4-dimethyl-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (2)**

General procedure for Ti enolate formation and the reaction with D₂O or DCl.

To a solution of 1,1,1-trifluoro-4,4-dimethyl-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (**1**) (17.1 mg, 0.07 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 (0.7 ml) was added titanium tetrachloride (9.2 μl , 0.084 mmol) at 0 °C and stirred for 10 min under argon atmosphere. Then the reaction mixture was cooled to -78 °C and was added triethylamine (13.7 μl , 0.098 mmol) at the temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 min and then was quenched with D_2O or 35wt% $\text{DCl}/\text{D}_2\text{O}$ (0.1 ml) and warmed to room temperature. The crude mixture was directly analyzed by ^{19}F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

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^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.16 (s, 6H), 2.81 (s, 2H), 3.15 (tq, $J=2.6, 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 7.07 (ddd, $J=1.7, 2.1, 5.7$ Hz, 2H), 7.19~7.32 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 23.8, 41.0 (m), 45.2, 48.9, 123.9 (q, $J=277.2$ Hz), 126.7, 128.2, 130.2, 136.7, 205.2 (ppm).

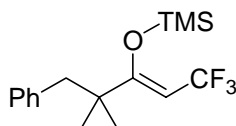
^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -63.1 (bd, $J=10.5$ Hz) (ppm).

EI-MS

$m/z=245$ [M^+].

3,3-Dimethyl-4-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl-2-(trimethylsilyloxy)-1-butene (3)



To a solution of 1,1,1-trifluoro-4,4-dimethyl-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (**1**) (488 mg, 2.0 mmol) in CH_2Cl_2 was added triethylamine (0.92 ml, 6.6 mmol) and trimethylsilyl trifluoromethanesulfonate (1.09 ml, 6.0 mmol) at 0 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was warmed to room temperature and stirred for 4 d. To the reaction mixture was added ice water and extracted 3 times with hexane. Combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude mixture was purified by neutral silica gel column chromatography (hexane only). 489 mg of 3,3-dimethyl-4-phenyl-1-trifluoromethyl-2-(trimethylsilyloxy)-1-butene was obtained (77%).

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 0.32 (s, 9H), 1.02 (s, 6H), 2.69 (s, 2H), 4.75 (q, $J=8.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.08~7.13 (ddd, $J=1.8, 2.1, 6.0$ Hz, 2H), 7.17~7.30 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 0.7, 25.3, 41.4, 45.7, 97.2 (q, $J=33.0$ Hz), 124.1 (q, $J=269.8$ Hz), 126.5, 128.0, 130.6, 138.0, 167.4 (q, $J=6.1$ Hz) (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -56.5 (d, $J=7.9$ Hz) (ppm).

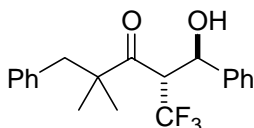
IR (neat)

2972, 1659, 1379, 1359, 1259, 1189, 1154, 1114, 847, 702, 679 (cm⁻¹).

EI-MS

m/z=316 [M⁺].

5-Hydroxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,5-diphenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-pentanone (5a)



General Experimental procedure for Ti enolate formation and aldol reaction.

To a solution of 1,1,1-trifluoro-4,4-dimethyl-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (**1**) (17.1 mg, 0.07 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (0.7 ml) was added titanium tetrachloride (9.2 μl, 0.084 mmol) at 0 °C and stirred for 10 min under argon atmosphere. Then the reaction mixture was cooled to -78 °C and was added triethylamine (13.7 μl, 0.098 mmol) at the temperature. The reaction mixture was stirred for 15 min and then was added benzaldehyde (8.5 μl, 0.084 mmol) and titanium (IV) isopropoxide (24.8 μl, 0.084 mmol). After stirring for 24 h at -78 °C, the reaction was quenched by adding phosphorous buffer (pH=7) at the temperature. The mixture was extracted 3 times with ether. Combined organic layer was washed with brine, dried over anhydrous sodium sulfate and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane:acetone=10:1 to 6:1). 23.8 mg of 5-hydroxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,5-diphenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-pentanone (**5a**) was obtained (97%).

anti-5a

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz)

δ 0.89 (s, 3H), 1.01 (s, 3H), 2.63 (d, *J*=13.5 Hz, 1H), 2.73 (d, *J*=13.5, 1H), 3.15 (d, *J*=5.7 Hz, 1H), 4.18 (dq, *J*=6.6, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J*=6.0, 6.3 Hz, 1H), 7.07~7.10 (m, 2H), 7.16~7.42 (m, 8H) (ppm).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz)

δ 22.9, 23.2, 43.3, 49.4, 54.9 (q, *J*=24.4 Hz), 72.6 (q, *J*=2.4 Hz), 123.4 (q, *J*=282.6 Hz), 126.5, 126.6, 128.0, 128.8, 128.9, 131.1, 137.2, 140.9, 211.2 (ppm).

¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, 376 MHz)

δ -62.6 (d, *J*=7.9 Hz) (ppm).

IR (neat)

3484, 3034, 2978, 2932, 1715, 1495, 1470, 1458, 1338, 1241, 1160, 1129, 700 (cm⁻¹).

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HRMS (EI)

calcd for C₂₀H₂₁O₂F₃, 350.1494 ([M⁺]); found 350.1488 ([M⁺]).

syn-**5a**

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz)

δ 0.50 (s, 3H), 0.83 (s, 3H), 2.17 (d, *J*=1.5 Hz, 1H), 2.24 (d, *J*=13.2, 1H), 2.41 (d, *J*=12.9 Hz, 1H), 4.17 (dq, *J*=7.8, 8.1 Hz, 1H), 5.26 (bd, *J*=8.7 Hz, 1H), 6.91~6.96 (m, 2H), 7.16~7.34 (m, 8H) (ppm).

¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, 376 MHz)

δ -61.4 (d, *J*=7.9 Hz) (ppm).

X-ray analysis of *anti*-**5a** (CCDC 240382)

| | | | |
|----------------------|---|---------------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Empirical Formula | C ₂₀ H ₂₁ F ₃ O ₂ | 2θ _{max} | 62.4° |
| Formula Weight | 350.38 | No. of Reflections Measured | 3713 |
| Crystal Description | Prism | No. of Unique Reflections | 3486 (R _{int} = 0.018) |
| Crystal Color | Colorless | Abs. Correction Type | multi-scan |
| Crystal Size | 0.20×0.20×0.20 mm | Abs. Transmission | 0.4690~1.0000 |
| Crystallizing Method | neat (-30 °C) | Structure Solution | Direct Methods (SIR92) |
| Crystal System | Triclinic | Residuals | R ₁ (I>2σ(I)) = 0.096 |
| Space Group | <i>P</i> -1 (#2) | | wR ₂ (I>0σ(I)) = 0.162 |
| Lattice Parameters | <i>a</i> = 6.469(4) Å | Restraints | 0 |
| | <i>b</i> = 10.934(6) Å | No. of Variables | 247 |
| | <i>c</i> = 13.371(9) Å | Goodness of Fit Indicator | 0.991 |
| | α = 73.90(2)° | Maximum Peak in Final Diff. Map | 0.28 e·Å ⁻³ |
| | β = 88.25(3)° | Minimum Peak in Final Diff. Map | -0.27 e·Å ⁻³ |
| | γ = 76.29(2)° | | |
| | <i>V</i> = 882.2(10) Å ³ | | |
| Z value | 2 | | |
| D _{calc} | 1.319 g·cm ⁻³ | | |
| Temp | -80 °C | | |
| μ(MoKα) | 1.05 cm ⁻¹ | | |
| Detector | Rigaku Saturn | | |
| Goniometer | Rigaku AFC10 | | |
| Radiation | MoKα | | |
| | (λ = 0.71070 Å) | | |
| Monochromator | Graphite | | |

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Bond lengths (Å)

| | | | |
|---------------------|---------------------|----------------------|----------------------|
| F(2) C(15) 1.339(4) | C(1) C(10) 1.515(4) | C(6) C(19) 1.380(5) | C(12) C(16) 1.531(4) |
| F(3) C(15) 1.346(4) | C(2) C(3) 1.389(5) | C(8) C(13) 1.383(4) | C(12) C(20) 1.534(4) |
| F(4) C(15) 1.331(5) | C(3) C(4) 1.363(6) | C(9) C(12) 1.529(4) | C(13) C(14) 1.376(6) |
| O(1) C(20) 1.211(4) | C(4) C(5) 1.379(5) | C(10) C(12) 1.547(4) | C(14) C(21) 1.381(5) |
| O(2) C(18) 1.417(3) | C(5) C(7) 1.385(5) | C(11) C(15) 1.501(4) | C(19) C(21) 1.384(4) |
| C(1) C(2) 1.398(4) | C(6) C(8) 1.392(4) | C(11) C(18) 1.554(4) | |
| C(1) C(7) 1.373(5) | C(6) C(18) 1.513(3) | C(11) C(20) 1.545(3) | |

Bond angles (°)

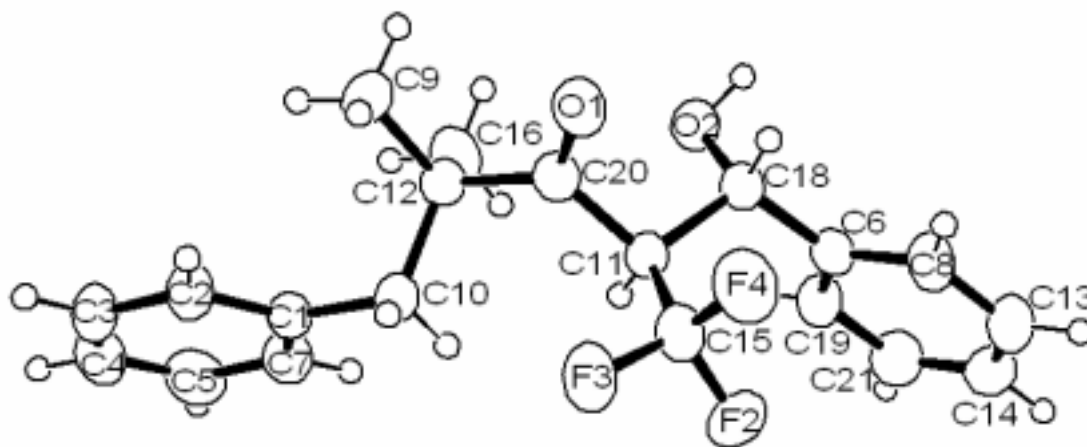
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| C(2) C(1) C(10) 120.5(3) | C(15) C(11) C(20) 109.3(2) | F(3) C(15) F(4) 105.6(3) |
| C(7) C(1) C(10) 121.2(2) | C(18) C(11) C(20) 107.9(2) | F(3) C(15) C(11) 112.2(2) |
| C(3) C(2) C(1) 120.2(3) | C(16)C(12)C(20) 108.8(2) | F(4) C(15) C(11) 113.9(3) |
| C(4) C(3) C(2) 120.6(3) | C(16)C(12)C(9) 110.0(2) | O(2) C(18) C(6) 112.0(2) |
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| C(8) C(6) C(18) 120.6(3) | C(20) C(12) C(10) 108.8(2) | C(21) C(19) C(6) 120.7(3) |
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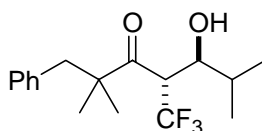
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| C(10) C(1) C(2) C(3) -177.0(3) | C(8) C(6) C(18) O(2) 136.8(3) | C(18) C(11) C(15) F(3) 165.4(3) |
| C(2) C(1) C(7) C(5) -1.4(5) | C(8) C(6) C(18) C(11) -106.0(3) | C(18) C(11) C(15) F(4) 45.6(3) |
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| C(15) C(11) C(20) C(12) -114.2(3) | C(9) C(12) C(20) C(11) 176.9(2) | C(16) C(12) C(20) C(11) -63.5(3) |
| C(18) C(11) C(20) O(1) -56.0(3) | C(10) C(12) C(20) O(1) -123.7(3) | C(8) C(13) C(14) C(21) 0.2(5) |
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| C(9) C(12) C(20) O(1) -3.9(4) | C(16) C(12) C(20) O(1) 115.7(3) | C(6) C(19)C(21)C(14)-0.5(5) |



5-Hydroxy-2,2-dimethyl-6-methyl-1-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-heptanone (5b)



anti-**5b**

¹H NMR (CDCl₃, 300 MHz)

δ 0.94 (s, 3H), 0.97 (s, 3H), 1.14 (d, *J*=3.3 Hz, 6H), 1.75~1.88 (m, 1H), 2.03 (d, *J*=5.4 Hz, 1H), 2.78 (d, *J*=13.2 Hz, 1H), 2.89 (d, *J*=13.2 Hz, 1H), 3.98~4.11 (m, 2H), 7.12~7.17 (m, 2H), 7.19~7.32 (m, 3H) (ppm).

¹³C NMR (CDCl₃, 75 MHz)

δ 14.8, 19.8, 23.5, 24.1, 30.6, 43.9, 49.6, 51.2 (q, *J*=24.4 Hz), 74.6 (q, *J*=2.4 Hz), 123.8 (q, *J*=280.8 Hz), 126.5, 127.9, 131.0, 137.2, 210.9 (ppm).

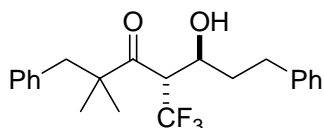
¹⁹F NMR (CDCl₃, 376 MHz)

δ -62.5 (d, *J*=7.2 Hz) (-59.6 (d, *J*=7.9 Hz) for *syn*-**5b**) (ppm).

IR (KBr)

3538, 2970, 2880, 1712, 1496, 1468, 1345, 1248, 1144, 1092, 1008, 874, 760, 728, 707 (cm⁻¹).

HRMS (EI)

calcd for $C_{17}H_{23}F_3O_2$, 316.1650 ($[M^{+}]$); found 316.1656 ($[M^{+}]$).**5-Hydroxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,7-diphenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-heptanone (5c)***anti*-**5c** 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 300 MHz)

δ 1.14 (s, 3H), 1.15 (s, 3H), 1.69~1.81 (m, 1H), 1.83~1.97 (m, 1H), 2.27 (d, $J=6.9$ Hz, 1H), 2.55~3.00 (m, 4H), 3.90 (qd, $J=7.8, 7.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.11~4.22 (m, 1H), 7.09~7.33 (m, 10H) (ppm).

 ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 75 MHz)

δ 23.4, 23.9, 31.4, 36.8, 43.7, 49.6, 53.8 (q, $J=23.2$ Hz), 69.6 (q, 2.4 Hz), 123.8 (q, $J=282.0$ Hz), 126.3, 126.7, 128.1, 128.5, 128.7, 131.1, 137.2, 141.1, 211.1 (ppm).

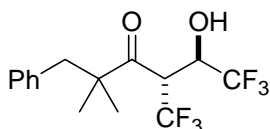
 ^{19}F NMR ($CDCl_3$, 376 MHz)

δ -62.28 (d, $J=9.0$ Hz) (-60.27 (d, $J=8.3$ Hz) for *syn*-**5c**) (ppm).

IR (neat)

3508, 3030, 2976, 2932, 1713, 1497, 1470, 1456, 1334, 1257, 1156, 1125, 702 (cm^{-1}).

HRMS (EI)

calcd for $C_{22}H_{25}F_3O_2$, 378.1807 ($[M^{+}]$); found 378.1802 ($[M^{+}]$).**5-Hydroxy-2,2-dimethyl-1,5-diphenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-pentanone (5d)***anti*-**5d** 1H NMR ($CDCl_3$, 300 MHz)

δ 1.15 (s, 3H), 1.17 (s, 3H), 2.77 (d, $J=13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.90 (d, $J=13.5$, 1H), 4.19 (dq, $J=2.8, 7.7$ Hz, 1H), 4.44~4.58 (m, 2H), 7.10~7.16 (m, 2H), 7.21~7.33 (m, 3H) (ppm).

 ^{13}C NMR ($CDCl_3$, 75 MHz)

δ 23.3, 23.7, 43.8, 45.9 (q, $J=26.9$ Hz), 50.1, 69.6 (qq, $J=33.0, 3.7$ Hz), 122.9 (q,

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$J=283.2$ Hz), 123.8 (q, $J=284.5$ Hz), 126.9, 128.2, 131.2, 136.5, 211.8 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -77.7 (dd, $J=2.3, 3.4$ Hz, 3F), -63.0 (dd, $J=2.6, 7.9$ Hz, 3F) (-77.3 (dd, $J=2.3, 6.8$ Hz, 3F), -60.6 (dd, $J=2.3, 7.9$ Hz, 3F) for *syn*-**5d**) (ppm).

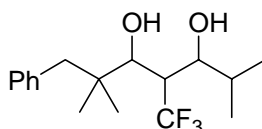
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HRMS (EI)

calcd for $\text{C}_{15}\text{H}_{16}\text{F}_6\text{O}_2$, 342.1054 ($[\text{M}^+]$); found 342.1053 ($[\text{M}^+]$).

2,2,6-Trimethyl-1-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-heptane-3,5-diol (**6b**)



General procedure for hydroboration of the aldol product.

To a solution of 5-hydroxy-2,2-dimethyl-6-methyl-1-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-3-heptanone (**5b**, 91% *de*) (35.3 mg, 0.11 mmol) in THF was added borane-methyl sulfide complex (48.5 μl , 0.67 mmol) under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture was refluxed for 1.5 h and then quenched with 1N HCl. The mixture was extracted 3 times with ether, washed with saturated aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate, washed with brine, dried over anhydrous magnesium sulfate, and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude mixture (mixture of two diastereomer) was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane:ethylacetate=3:1). 2,2,6-trimethyl-1-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-heptane-3,5-diol (**6b**) was obtained in 59% yield (84% *de*).

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

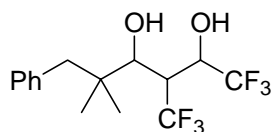
δ 0.77 (d, $J=6.3$ Hz, 3H), 0.86 (s, 3H), 0.98 (s, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J=6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.52~1.69 (m, 1H), 2.42 (d, $J=5.1$ Hz, 1H), 2.47~2.63 (m, 3H), 2.81 (d, $J=12.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.68 (dd, $J=4.5, 9.9$ Hz, 1H), 3.89 (bs, 1H), 7.15~7.33 (m, 5H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 18.7, 19.0, 22.34, 22.37, 23.6, 30.9, 38.5, 44.2 (q, $J=23.2$ Hz), 45.6, 73.6, 126.2, 127.5 (q, $J=282.0$ Hz), 127.9, 131.0, 138.6 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -61.1 (d, $J=10.5$ Hz) (ppm).

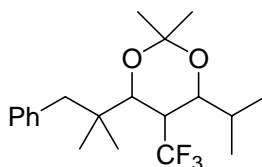
1,1,1-Trifluoro-5,5-dimethyl-6-phenyl-3-trifluoromethyl-hexane-2,4-diol (6d)

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz)

δ 0.85 (s, 3H), 0.95 (s, 3H), 2.15 (d, $J=6.4$ Hz, 1H), 2.56 (d, $J=13.2$, 1H), 2.74 (d, $J=13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.82 (dq, $J=1.2, 9.6$ Hz, 1H), 3.54 (d, $J=6.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.12 (d, $J=6.0$ Hz, 1H), 4.47 (quint, $J=7.2$ Hz, 1H), 7.11~7.16 (m, 2H), 7.17~7.30 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -77.0 (d, $J=7.9$ Hz, 3F), -61.5 (d, $J=9.4$ Hz, 3F) (ppm).

4-(1,1-Dimethyl-2-phenyl-ethyl)-6-isopropyl-2,2-dimethyl-5-trifluoromethyl-[1,3]dioxane (7b)

General procedure for acetonide protection of the 1,3-diol.

To a solution of 2,2,6-trimethyl-1-phenyl-4-trifluoromethyl-heptane-3,5-diol (**6b**) (21.8 mg, 0.068 mmol) in acetone (0.5 ml) was added AlCl_3 (10.3 mg, 0.077 mmol) dissolved in ether (1 ml) at 0 °C under argon atmosphere. The reaction mixture stirred for 2 h at room temperature and 7 h at 40 °C. The reaction was quenched with saturated aqueous solution of sodium bicarbonate and extracted 3 times with CH_2Cl_2 . Combined organic layer was washed with brine, filtered through filter paper and evaporated under reduced pressure. The crude mixture was purified by silica gel column chromatography (hexane:ethylacetate=100:0 to 30:1) to afford 16.3 mg (67 %, >92% *de*) of 4-(1,1-dimethyl-2-phenyl-ethyl)-6-isopropyl-2,2-dimethyl-5-trifluoromethyl-[1,3]dioxane (**7b**).

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 0.91 (s, 6H), 0.93 (d, $J=6.9$ Hz, 3H), 1.02 (d, $J=6.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.30 (s, 3H), 1.39 (s, 3H), 1.83 (dq, $J=2.4, 6.3, 6.3$ Hz, 1H), 2.52 (m, 1H), 2.61 (d, $J=12.9$, 3H), 2.74 (d, $J=12.9$,

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3H), 3.62 (q, $J=1.8$ Hz, 1H), 3.79 (dd, $J=2.7, 6.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.12~7.32 (m, 5H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 14.5, 19.7, 22.1, 22.8, 25.6, 32.8, 37.0, 44.0, 44.9 (q, $J=23.2$ Hz), 71.2 (q, $J=2.5$ Hz), 75.2, 100.9, 126.0, 127.7, 127.8 (q, $J=282.0$ Hz), 131.2, 138.7 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -62.2 (d, $J=10.2$ Hz) (ppm).

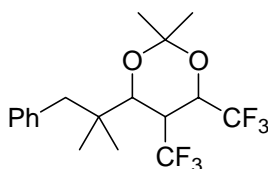
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3066, 3030, 2970, 1946, 1873, 1810, 1495, 1455, 1374, 1234, 1181, 1144, 1098 (cm^{-1})

EI-MS

$m/z=358$ [M^+].

4-(1,1-Dimethyl-2-phenyl-ethyl)-2,2-dimethyl-5,6-bis-trifluoromethyl-[1,3]dioxane (7d)



^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 0.92 (s, 3H), 0.93 (s, 3H), 1.41 (s, 3H), 1.47 (s, 3H), 2.61 (d, $J=13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.75 (d, $J=13.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.86 (m, 1H), 3.82 (bq, $J=1.8$ Hz, 1H), 4.38 (quint., $J=5.7$ Hz, 1H), 7.12~7.17 (m, 2H), 7.19~7.32 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 21.9, 22.6, 23.0, 25.7, 37.0, 41.8 (q, $J=25.4$ Hz), 44.0, 67.3 (qq, $J=3.6, 31.6$ Hz), 74.7, 102.4, 124.0 (q, $J=279.1$ Hz), 126.2 (q, $J=280.3$ Hz), 126.3, 127.9, 131.1, 138.1 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -79.4 (quint., $J=5.7$ Hz, 3F), -62.1 (m, 3F) (ppm).

IR (KBr)

3030, 2992, 2936, 1957, 1881, 1815, 1496, 1457, 1417, 1396, 1319, 1237, 1186, 1149, 1121, 1025 (cm^{-1})

EI-MS

$m/z=384$ [M^+].

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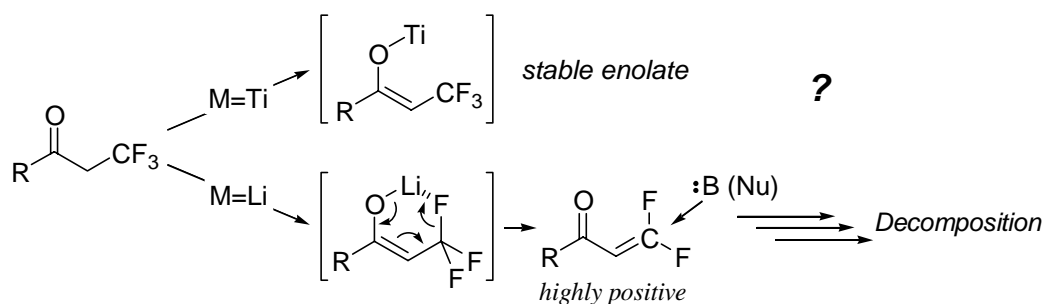
Theoretical Study on the Stability of the α -CF₃ Ti Enolate and Anomalous *Anti*-selective Aldol Reaction

3-1. Introduction.

In Chapter 2, the author describes that the Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones can be easily generated and the subsequent aldol reactions proceed in up to quantitative yield and with virtually perfect diastereoselectivity. Concerning these results, there are some anomalous outcomes;

(1) According to crystallographic data, Ti is of strong affinity to fluorine rather than Li.¹ Therefore, it seems strange that the Ti enolate of the α -CF₃ ketones could be formed without defluorination (Scheme 3-1).

Scheme 3-1.

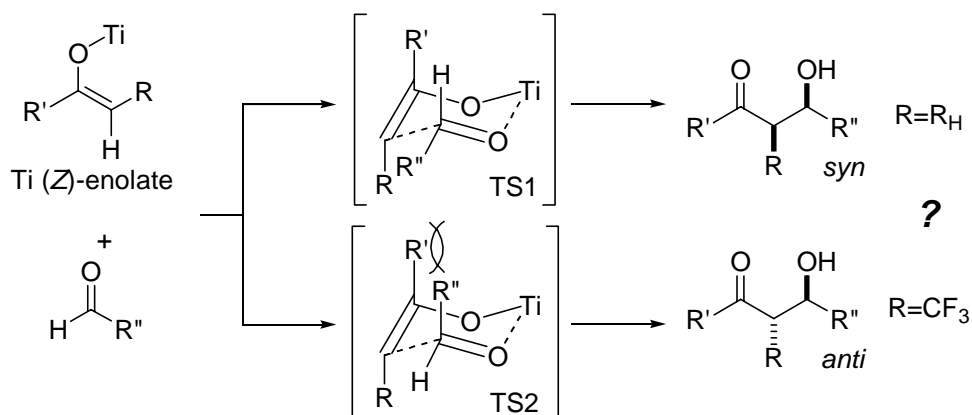


(2) It is well known that the aldol reaction of a Ti (*Z*)-enolate would produce *syn*-aldol via cyclic transition state.² In the case of the aldol reaction of α -CF₃ Ti enolates, all the reactions were found to give opposite *anti*-selectivity (Scheme 3-2).

In Chapter 3, theoretical investigation is shown to shed light on these anomalies.

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Scheme 3-2.**3-2. Chemical models and computational methods.***3-2-1. Chemical models.*

Ti³ and Li^{4,5} complexes are known to form oligomeric structures. However, for computational efficiency, all the structures were approximated to be monomer. This approximation should give at least qualitative computation. Since the structures were simplified as a monomer, an extra coordination site would be available. Ti and Li have several coordination sites (normally 6 for Ti and 4 for Li), and this site must be filled by a solvent. However, the reaction of the Ti enolate was carried out in CH₂Cl₂, which has low coordinating ability. Therefore, no additional solvent molecule was attached for the monomeric model of TiCl₃ enolates of α -CF₃ ketones. For Li enolates, the solvent for the actual reaction was THF and, hence, Me₂O was employed as a computational model of the solvent. Instead of the ketone which were exactly used for the aldol reaction,

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α -CF₃ acetone was employed as a simple model (Figure 3-1). Likewise, acetaldehyde was employed as an electrophile for the aldol reaction.

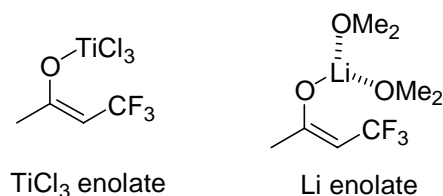


Figure 3-1. Chemical model for Ti and Li enolate.

3-2-2. Computational methods.

All the calculations were performed with GAUSSIAN 03 program package.⁶ All the structures were optimized at B3LYP/631LAN (LANL2DZ for Ti, 6-31G* for others)^{7,8} level in the presence of dielectric field as described by the C-PCM (COSMO (conductor-like screening model)) model⁹ unless otherwise noted. The solvent definition is CH₂Cl₂ ($\epsilon=8.93$) for Ti species and THF ($\epsilon=7.58$) for Li species. The energies shown in this report are Gibbs free energies and thus contain zero-point, thermal and entropy effects at 195.15 K (-78 °C: actual reaction temperature) and 1 atm pressure ($\Delta G_{\text{sol},-78}$) unless otherwise noted.

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3-3. Energy profile of the aldol reaction and defluorination.

Energy diagram of defluorination and aldol reaction is shown in Figure 3-2. Energy diagram starts from the middle part of the figure. **CP1** is the enolate and **CP2** is the enolate coordinated with aldehyde. By looking the diagram to the left hand side from **CP1**, the energetics for the defluorination reaction can be seen. In the same manner, the diagram to the right hand side from **CP2** describe the energetics for the aldol reaction.

For the TiCl₃ enolate, equilibrium of aldehyde coordination to the enolate (**Ti-CP1** and **CP2**) does not have large energy difference (-1.2 kcal/mol). The transition state energy of the defluorination reaction is 15.1 kcal/mol (**Ti-TS1**) and the product (**Ti-PD1**) is in lower energy (-6.3 kcal/mol) than **Ti-CP1**. However, the transition state of the aldol reaction is 9.9 kcal/mol (**Ti-TS2-anti**) and is lower in energy than **Ti-TS1**. This indicates that the aldol reaction is favorable than the defluorination reaction, which is in accordance with the experimental observation. On the other hand, the transition state energy of the defluorination reaction for the Li enolate (**Li-TS1**) is 8.0 kcal/mol which is lower than that of the aldol reaction (10.8 kcal/mol, **Li-TS2-anti**)¹⁰. Activation energy of the aldol reaction itself is 7.2 kcal/mol and smaller than that of the aldol reaction of the TiCl₃ enolate (11.1 kcal/mol). However, coordination of the aldehyde to the Li enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone is unfavorable by 3.6 kcal/mol, which is in contrast with the case of the Ti enolate (only 1.2 kcal/mol difference), and this unfavorable coordination could account for the retardation of the aldol reaction.¹¹

(10) **Li-TS2-anti** could not be optimized in the presence of dielectric field probably due to the complex hypersurface. In turn, the structure was optimized in gas phase (**Li-TS2-anti'**) and then single point calculation was carried out in the presence of dielectric field at the same level of theory.

(11) The “electrophile-coexisting” method (LDA was added to the α -CF₃ ketone in the presence of aldehyde) also could not produce the aldol product at all. This is in accordance with the calculation result. “Electrophile-coexisting” method: Qian, C.-P.; Nakai, T. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1990**, *31*, 7043-7046.

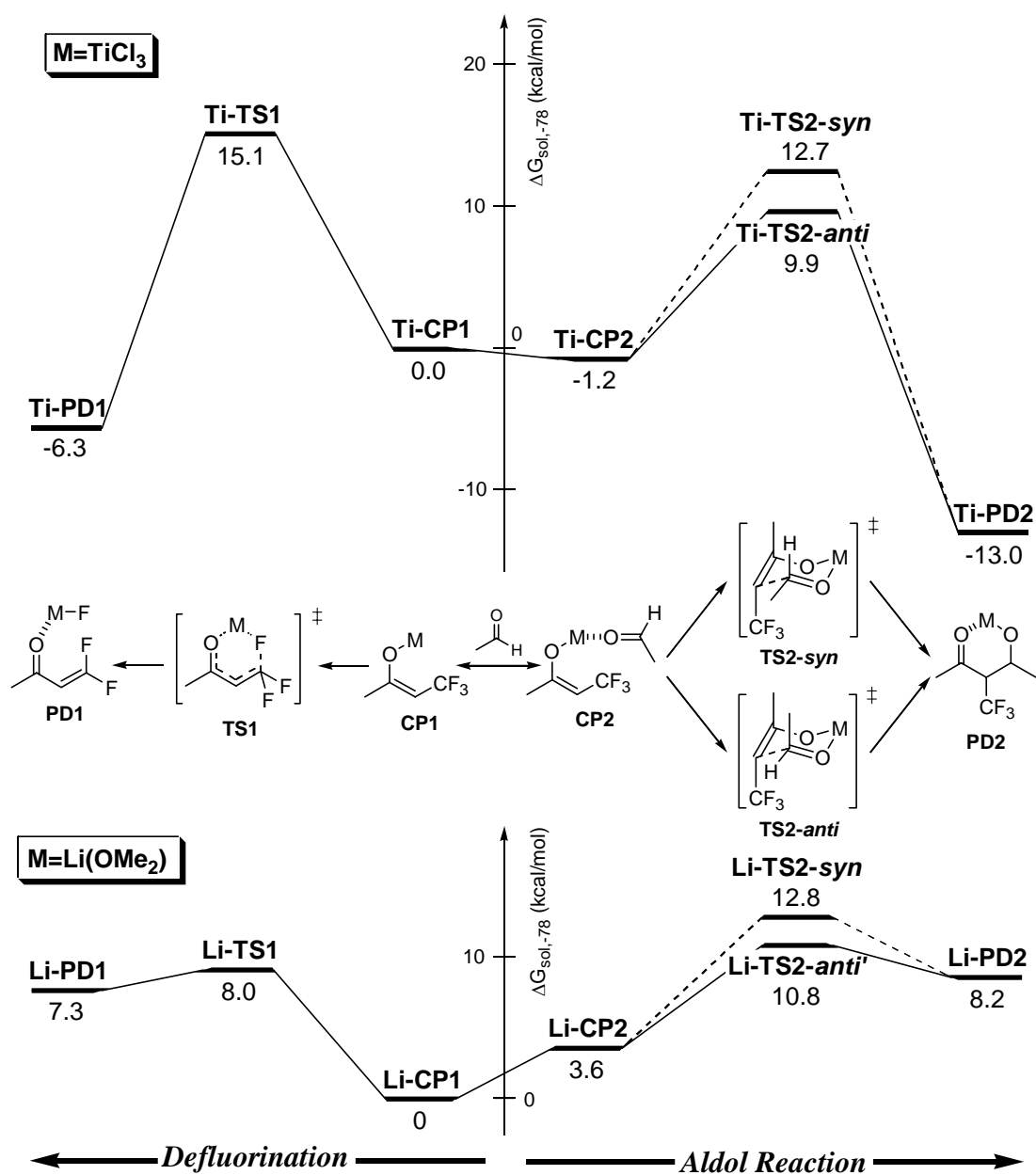


Figure 3-2. Energy diagram of defluorination and aldol reaction of the TiCl₃ and Li enolates of α -CF₃ ketone at B3LYP/631LAN level.

3-4. Energetics and structures of the equilibrium of the aldehyde coordination to the α -CF₃ enolates.

Three-dimensional structures of the enolates (**CP1**) and enolate coordinated with aldehyde (**CP2**) are shown in Figure 3-3. The structure of **Li-CP1** has intramolecular coordination of Li with F. The Li-F distance in **Li-CP1** is 2.00 Å and it is shorter than the sum of the vdW radius of F and ionic radius of Li (2.08 Å). Since Li has only 4 coordination sites available, Li-F interaction should be broken when aldehyde

coordinates to Li. Therefore, the structure of the Li-enolate changes significantly: Li-O-C angle was changed from 123.1° to 143.1° and Li-F distance was changed from 2.00 Å to 2.72 Å. 2.72 Å is longer than the sum of the vdW radius of F and ionic radius of Li (2.08 Å) indicating that there are no Li-F interaction any more at **Li-CP2**. Breaking the Li-F interaction and the structural change make the aldehyde coordination unfavorable. In sharp contrast, the distance between Ti and F in **Ti-CP1** is 3.37 Å and it is longer than the sum of the vdW radius of F and ionic radius of Ti (2.10 Å), which means that the Ti enolate does not have intramolecular coordination of Ti and F even with an empty site available for F (normally, the maximum coordination number for Ti is 6). Therefore, coordination of the aldehyde does not make significant structural change and thus energies of **Ti-CP1** and **-CP2** are almost the same. Interestingly, Ti-O-C bond is almost linear (171.2° in **Ti-CP1** and 167.9° in **Ti-CP2**). This linearity accounts for suppressing Ti-F interaction (*vide infra*).

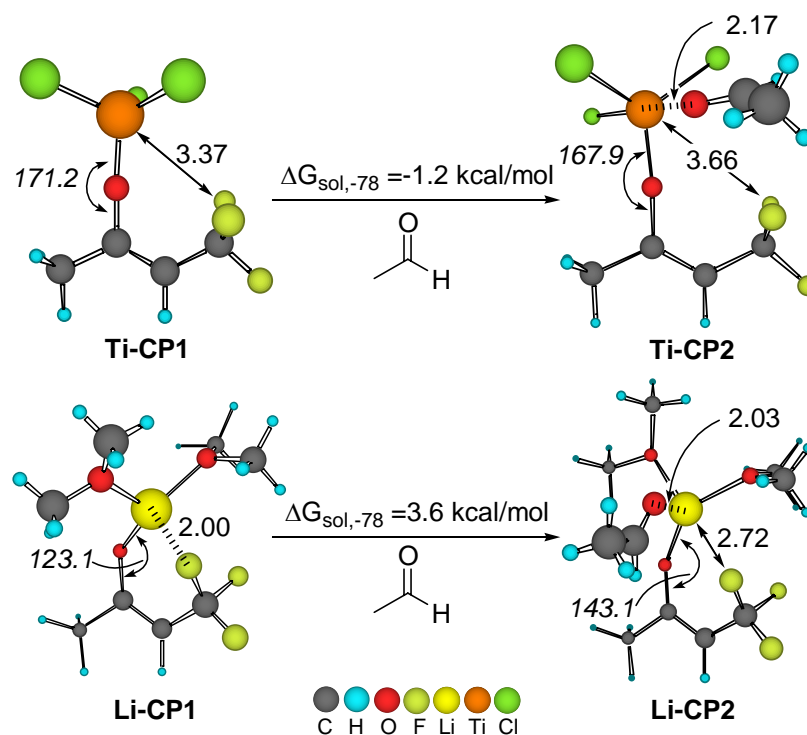


Figure 3-3. Three-dimensional structures of TiCl₃ and Li enolates of α -CF₃ ketone.

The structures were optimized at B3LYP/631LAN level in the presence of corresponding dielectric field. The bond lengths are in Å and bond angles (italics) in degrees.

3-5. Energetics and structures of the defluorination reaction.

Three-dimensional structures of the substrate (**CP1**), transition state (**TS2**), and product (**PD1**) are shown in Figure 3-4. As already mentioned before, the Ti enolate (**Ti-CP1**) does not have intramolecular coordination with F but the Li enolate (**Li-CP1**) does. For the defluorination of the Li enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone, the structural change is very small throughout the reaction; Li-O-C angle changes from 123.1° to 117.1° and finally 119.4°. Other parameters also change in only requisite amounts for the defluorination (single bond to double bond, and *vice versa*). Therefore, the activation energy for defluorination of the Li enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone is very low (8.3 kcal/mol). On the other hand, in order to reach the transition state of defluorination of the Ti enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone, the Ti enolate (**Ti-CP1**) has to change its structure to interact with fluorine; Ti-O-C angle changes from 171.2° to 137.7°. This accounts for the higher activation energy for defluorination of the Ti enolate (15.8 kcal/mol) than that of the Li enolate (8.3 kcal/mol).

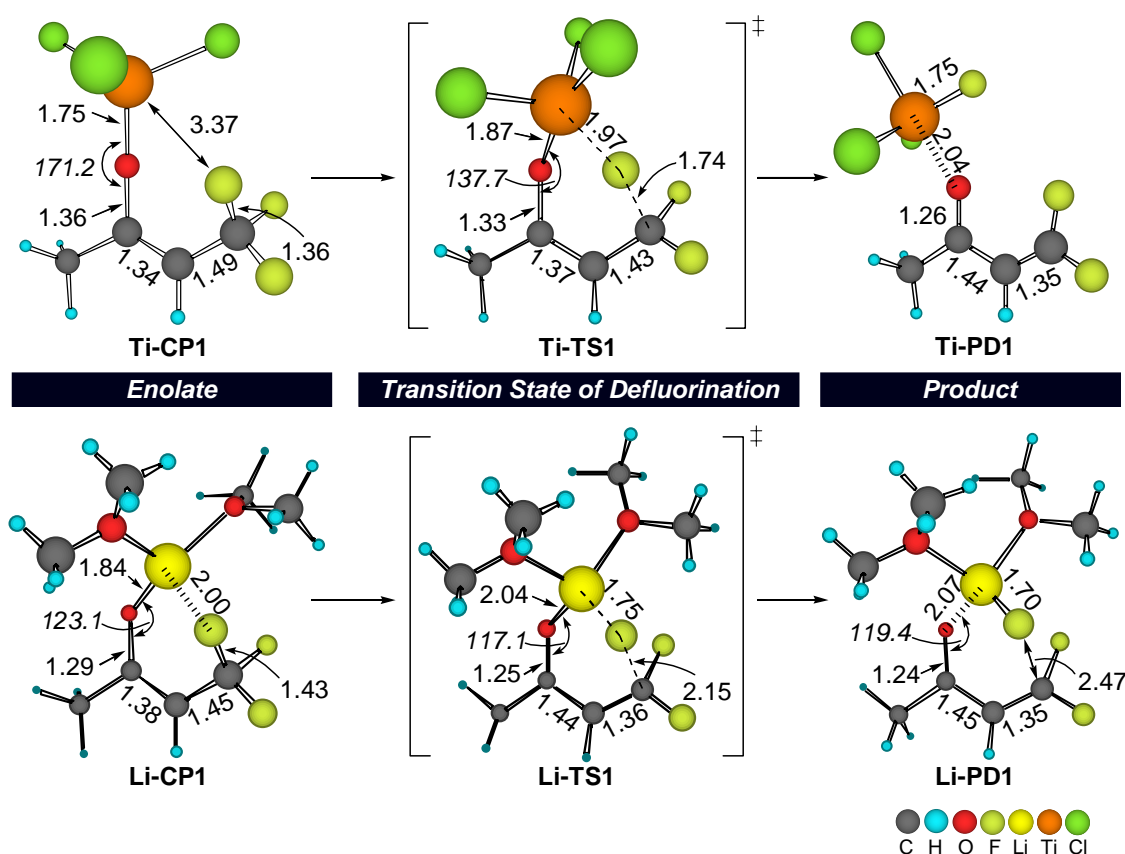


Figure 3-4. Three-dimensional structures of the defluorination reaction. The structures were optimized at B3LYP/631LAN level in the presence of corresponding dielectric field. The bond lengths are in Å and bond angles (italics) in degrees.

From the discussion above, the key for the stability of the Ti enolate of the α -CF₃ ketone is speculated to be the linearity of Ti-O-C bond. To identify the origin of the linear nature of Ti-O-C bond, Kohn-Sham orbital was analyzed. Important orbital interactions are shown in Figure 3-5 and multiple bonding nature was found. LUMO+4 and HOMO-22 show the interaction between σ -orbital of C-O bond and d_{z^2} -orbital of Ti (σ -bond). LUMO+1 and HOMO-7 show the interaction between lone electron pair of O and d-orbital of Ti (π -bond). In LUMO+5, LUMO, HOMO, and HOMO-20, enolate double bond is also incorporated in the orbital interaction between lone electron pair of O and d-orbital of Ti (π -bond).¹²

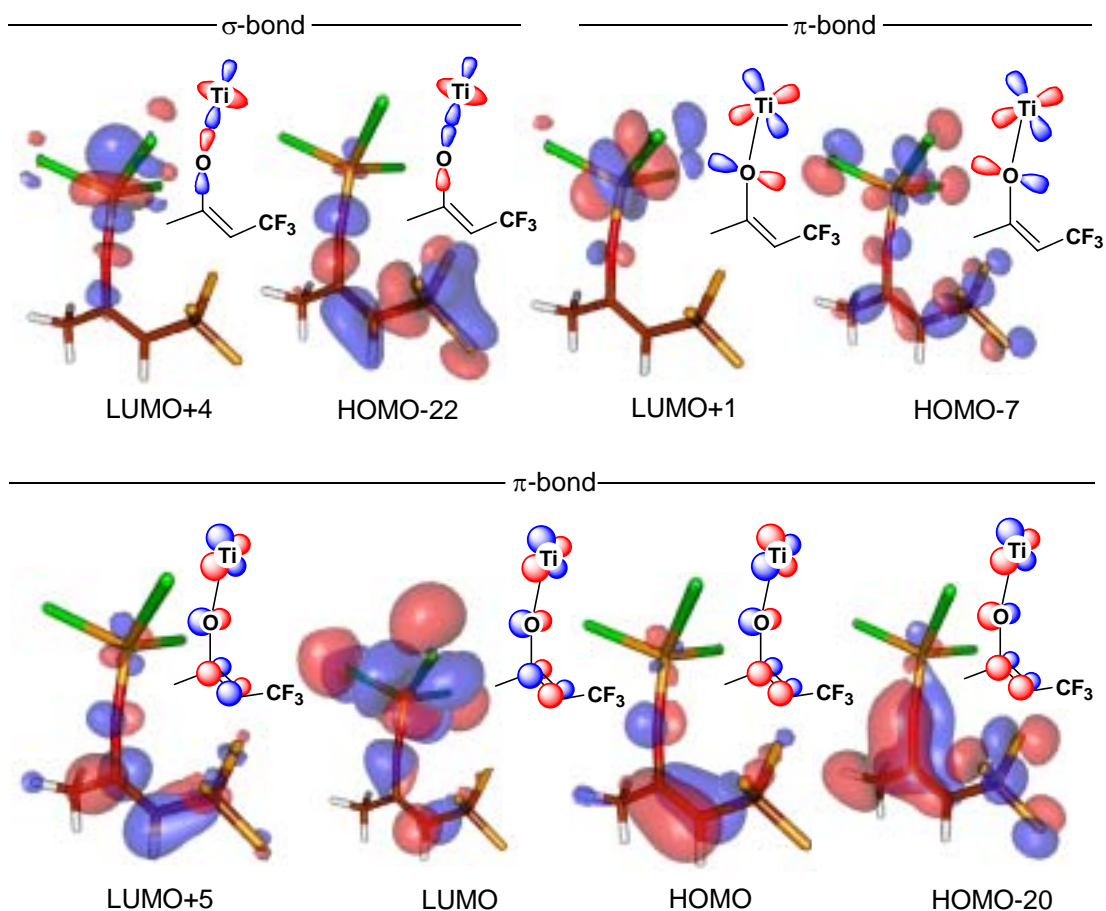


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3-6. Origin of *anti*-selective aldol reaction.

3-6-1. Transition state structures of the aldol reaction.

The author focuses on the anomalous *anti*-selective aldol reaction. The energy diagram in Figure 3-2 shows that the transition state leading to *anti*-product (**Ti-TS2-*anti***, **Ti-PD2**) is in lower energy. In order to see the steric interactions clearly, more realistic model (**Ti-TS3-*anti*'**, **Ti-TS3-*syn*'**) (Figure 3-6) was optimized in gas phase.¹³ The structure, the Gibbs free energy at 280.15 K, 1 atm pressure (ΔG), and the electronic energy (ΔE) were shown in Figure 3-7.

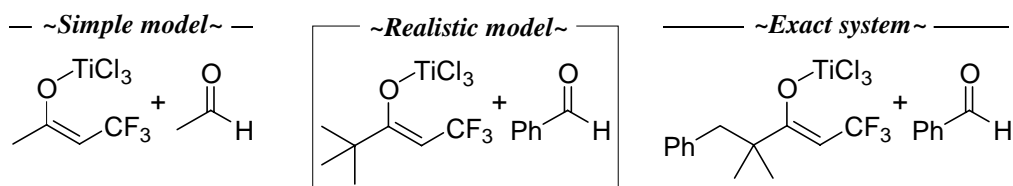


Figure 3-6. Realistic model.

Surprisingly, the interaction between Ti and CF₃ group was observed at both transition states, which was not observed at the starting Ti enolate, presumably because the donation of the lone electron pair of enolate oxygen to the empty d orbital of Ti was weakened at the reaction transition state. Owing to the Ti-F interaction, both transition structures (**Ti-TS3-*anti*'** and **-*syn*'**) were fixed to boat forms; CF₃ group in the enolate moiety would be attracted by Ti to enhance the steric repulsion with equatorial substituent in the aldehyde moiety (benzene ring) (**B**). Along with this motion of the CF₃ group, ^tBu group in the enolate moiety would move away from the 6-membered ring to reduce the steric repulsion with axial substituent in the aldehyde moiety (**A**). Therefore, the transition state leading to *anti*-aldol would be stabilized.

(13) The realistic model system (**Ti-TS3**) is larger than the simple model system (**Ti-TS2**). Therefore, structure optimization was carried out in the gas phase. Structural difference between the structure optimized in gas phase and in dielectric field was small. For instance, **Ti-TS2-*anti*** and **-*syn*** was optimized in gas phase (**Ti-TS2-*anti*'** and **-*syn*'** respectively). The bond lengths of the C-C bond forming part were 2.285 Å in **Ti-TS2-*anti*** and 2.251 Å in **Ti-TS2-*anti*'**. The difference was only 1.5%. In the same way, the bond lengths of the C-C bond forming part were 2.336 Å in **Ti-TS2-*syn*** and 2.310 Å in **Ti-TS2-*syn*'**, and the difference was only 1.1%.

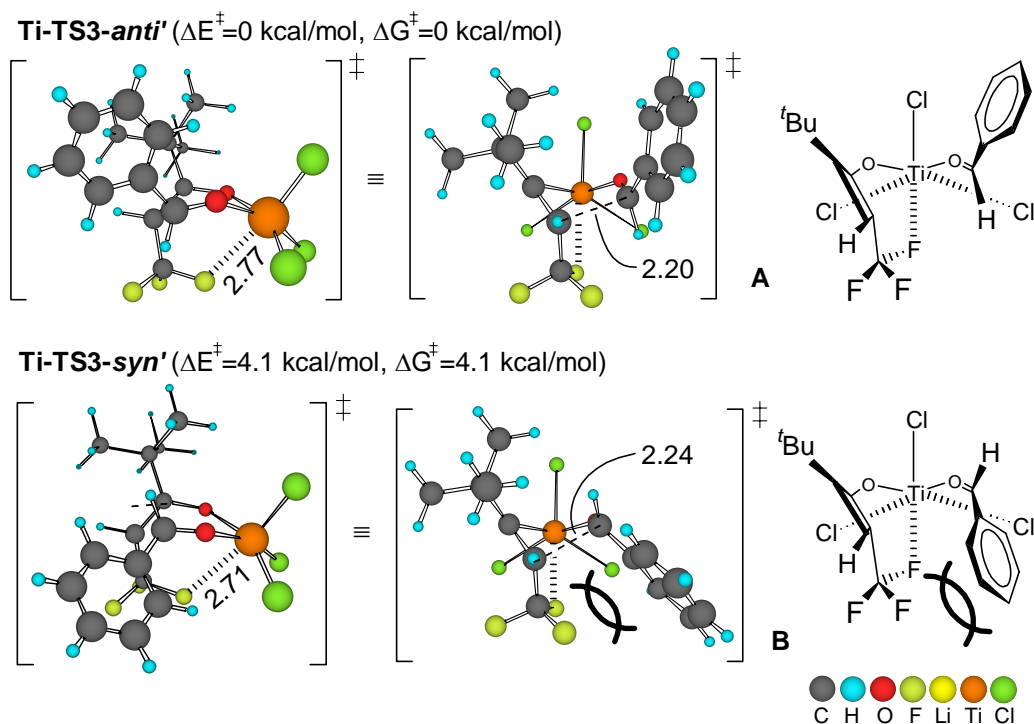


Figure 3-7. Three-dimensional structures of the aldol reaction of TiCl₃ enolate for realistic model. The structures were optimized at B3LYP/631LAN level. The bond lengths are in Å and bond angles (italics) in degrees.

3-6-2. Tracing the Ti-F interaction.

The lengths of Ti-F interactions in **Ti-TS3-*anti*'** and **-*syn*'** are 2.77 Å and 2.71 Å respectively. Those values are longer than the sum of the vdW radius of F and ionic radius of Ti (2.10 Å). However, the octahedral structure of Ti clearly shows the Ti-F interaction. Interestingly, this Ti-F interaction could be seen only at the transition state. The octahedral structure is broken in **Ti-CP3** and **Ti-PD3** and Ti takes trigonal bipyramidal geometry (Figure 3-8).

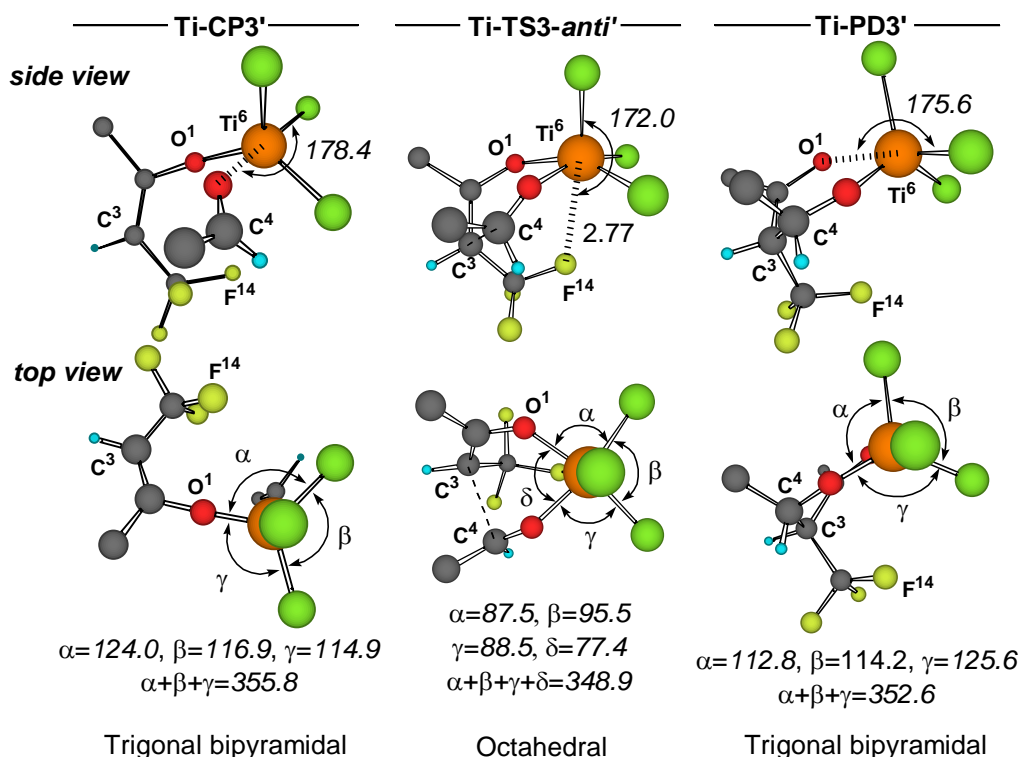


Figure 3-8. Geometries of Ti in **Ti-CP3'**, **Ti-TS3-anti'**, and **Ti-PD3'**. The structures were optimized at B3LYP/631LAN level. The bond lengths are in Å and bond angles (italics) in degrees. Several substituents were omitted for clarity.

It is quite interesting to investigate when Ti and F start to interact. In order to look into the Ti-F interaction, the reaction path was followed by an intrinsic reaction coordinate (IRC) analysis¹⁴ and the results were shown in Figure 3-9. Horizontal axis is the bond length of C³ and C⁴ (R(C³,C⁴)). Four parameters were followed along the reaction coordinate: total electronic energy (ΔE), distance between F¹⁴ and Ti⁶ (R(F¹⁴,Ti⁶)), dihedral angle of F¹⁴-C⁸-C³-C² (D(F¹⁴,C⁸,C³,C²)), and angle of Ti⁶-O¹-C² (A(Ti⁶,O¹,C²)). IRC analysis could follow the reaction in the range of R(C³,C⁴)=2.54~1.80 Å. Further points were obtained by standard optimization.

(14) (a) Gonzalez, C.; Schlegel, H. B. *J. Chem. Phys.* **1989**, *90*, 2154-2161. (b) Gonzalez, C.; Schlegel, H. B. *J. Phys. Chem.* **1990**, *94*, 5523-5527.

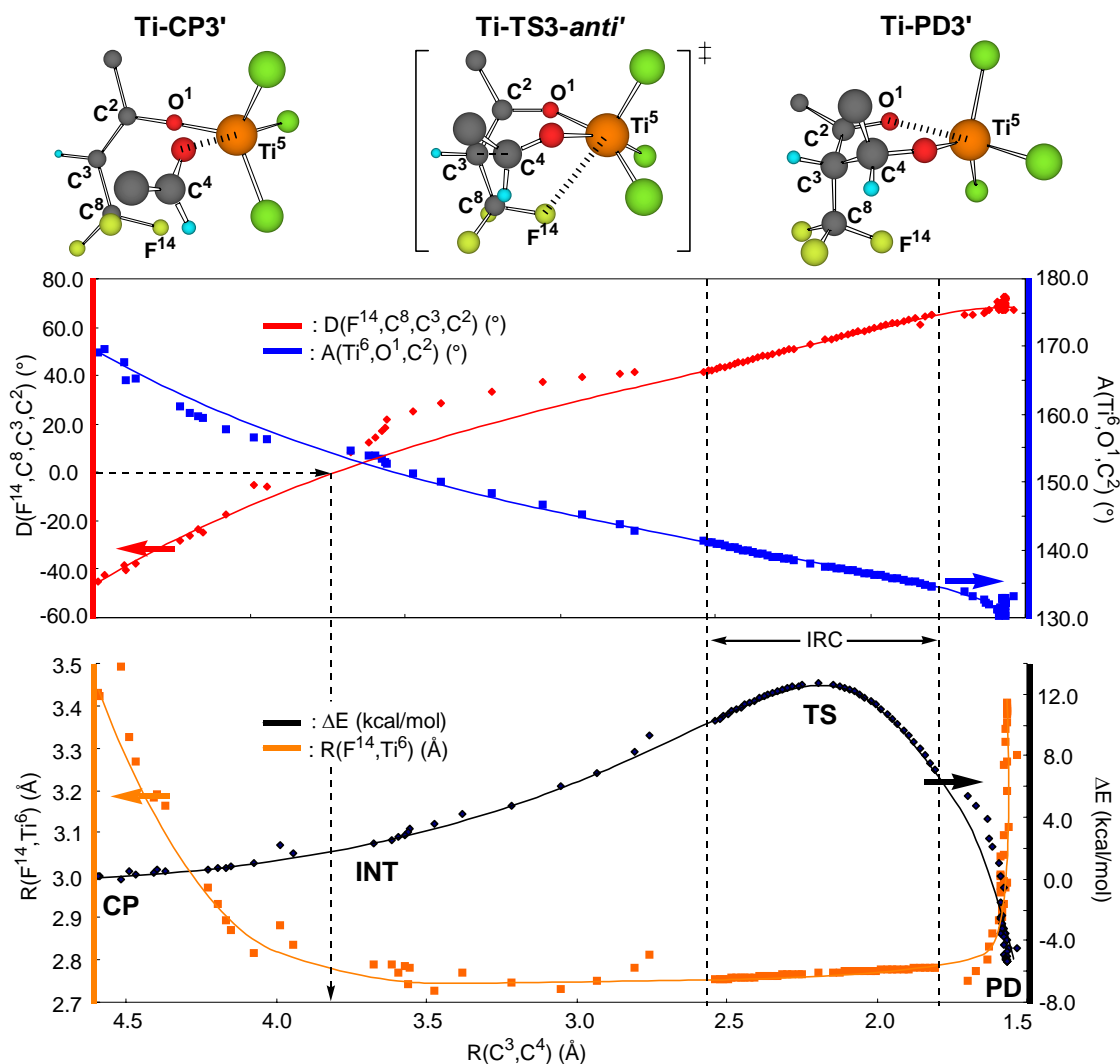


Figure 3-9. IRC analysis of the aldol reaction. Several substituents in the three-dimensional structures were omitted for clarity.

$R(C^3, C^4)$ ranges from 4.5~1.6 Å, and at the transition state (**Ti-TS3-anti'**), $R(C^3, C^4)$ is 2.2 Å, which means a late transition state.¹⁵ The curve for $R(F^{14}, Ti^6)$ (orange line) reveals that Ti-F interaction begins at the early stage of the reaction and becomes constant at about $R(C^3, C^4)=3.6$ Å. $R(F^{14}, Ti^6)$ keeps the distance even after the transition state and dissociate just before reaching the product (**Ti-PD3**). The curve for $A(Ti^6, O^1, C^2)$ (blue line) shows that linearity of Ti-O-C bond found in the enolate substrate is lost gradually. The curve for $D(F^{14}, C^8, C^3, C^2)$ (red line) also shows linear

(15) According to Hammond postulate, transition state structure of an exothermic reaction resembles reactant. However, this is not the case.

change. At about $R(C^3, C^4)=3.7 \text{ \AA}$, the sign of $D(F^{14}, C^8, C^3, C^2)$ changes from minus to plus. This means that at this point, CF_3 group goes beyond the rotation barrier (Figure 3-10). Immediately after the sign changes to plus, $R(F^{14}, Ti^6)$ becomes constant. It could be explained that Ti-F interaction assisted CF_3 group to go beyond the rotation barrier. Otherwise, there is no reason for the rotation of CF_3 group.

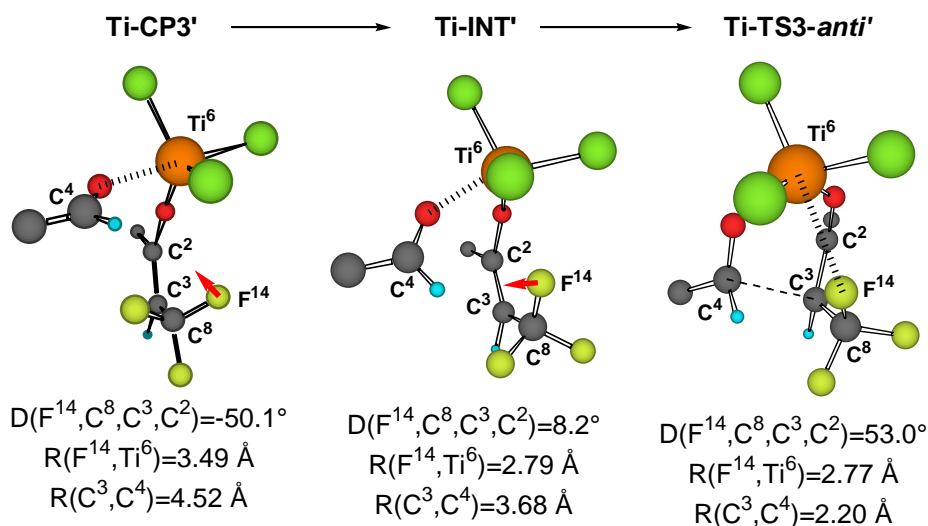


Figure 3-10. Rotation of CF_3 group.

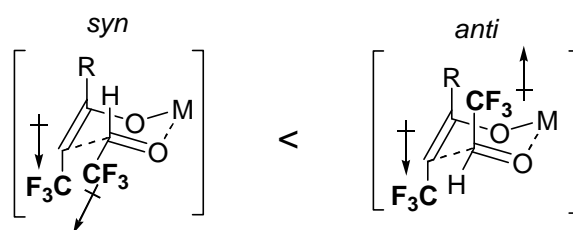
3-6-3. Experimental evidence for Ti-F interaction.

To confirm the effect of Ti-F interaction at the transition state, the reaction was carried out in the presence of HMPA to cleave Ti-F coordination leading to usual *syn*-selectivity. In fact, when HMPA was added in the reaction mixture, *syn*-selectivity was obtained (*anti:syn*=20:80) (Table 3-1, $R'=\text{Ph}$). Therefore, it can be concluded that the *anti*-selective aldol reaction stems from Ti-F interaction at the aldol transition state, which is not observed in the Ti enolate.

Interesting result was obtained when the same reaction was carried out with fluoral instead of benzaldehyde. The sense of *anti*-diastereoselectivity did not change (*anti:syn*=62:38) even in the presence of HMPA, though only in 1% yield (Table 3-1, $R'=\text{CF}_3$). Strong dipole interaction could account for the *anti*-selectivity for fluoral. *Anti*-diastereoselectivity could be attained if the stabilization by two CF_3 groups overcomes the steric repulsion (Figure 3-11). Thus, a paradigm shift from steric to electronic control of reaction stereoselectivity has been disclosed; strong dipole interaction could overcome the steric effect to control the stereoselectivity.

Table 3-1. Aldol reaction of Ti enolate of α -CF₃ ketone in the presence of HMPA.
$$\left[\begin{array}{c} \text{O-TiCl}_3 \\ | \\ \text{R}-\text{C}=\text{C}-\text{CF}_3 \\ | \\ \text{R}=\text{C}(\text{CH}_3)_2\text{Bn} \end{array} \right] \xrightarrow[\text{CH}_2\text{Cl}_2 / -78^\circ\text{C} / 10 \text{ min}]{\text{HMPA (X eq.)}} \xrightarrow[-78^\circ\text{C}]{\text{R}'-\text{CHO}} \text{R}-\text{C}(=\text{O})-\text{C}(\text{CF}_3)-\text{C}(\text{OH})-\text{R}'$$

| R' | X (eq.) | time (h) | yield (%) ^a | <i>anti</i> : <i>syn</i> |
|------------------------------|---------|----------|------------------------|--------------------------|
| Ph | 0 | 24 | 46 | >99:<1 |
| | 2.0 | 24 | 17 | 20:80 |
| CF ₃ ^b | 0 | 4 | 83 | 90:10 |
| | 2.0 | 3 | 1 ^c | 62:38 |

^a Yields for the isolated products.^b ⁿBu₃N was used for the preparation of the enolate.^c Determined by ¹⁹F NMR. Significant polymerization occurred.**Figure 3-11.** Dipole interaction controlled stereoselectivity in the case of the aldol reaction of Ti enolate of α -CF₃ ketone with fluoral.

3-7. Conclusion.

In this chapter, the author theoretically investigates the defluorination reaction and the aldol reaction of TiCl₃ and Li enolates. Ti-F interaction plays an important role in the course of these reactions. In the Ti enolate of α -CF₃ ketone, there is no Ti-F interaction because of the multiple bonding nature of Ti-O bond which retards F-elimination. On the other hand, at the transition state of the aldol reaction, there is a clear Ti-F interaction and, as a result, the aldol reaction shows *anti*-diastereoselectivity.

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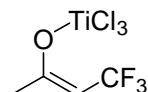
Computational calculations were executed on SGI Origin2000 (Tokyo Institute of Technology), Compaq AlphaServer GS320 (Tokyo Institute of Technology), SGI2800 (Institute of Molecular Science), SGI Origin3800 (Institute of Molecular Science), and Fujitsu VPP5000 (Institute of Molecular Science).

Computational Methods

All the calculations were performed with GAUSSIAN 03 program package. All the structures were optimized at B3LYP/631LAN (LANL2DZ for Ti, 6-31G* for others) level in the presence of dielectric field (E_{sol}) as described by the C-PCM (COSMO (conductor-like screening model)) model unless otherwise noted. The solvent definition is CH_2Cl_2 ($\epsilon=8.93$) for Ti species and THF ($\epsilon=7.58$) for Li species. The energies shown in this report are Gibbs free energies and thus contain zero-point, thermal and entropy effects at 195.15 K (-78 °C) and 1 atm pressure ($G_{\text{sol},-78}$) unless otherwise noted.

Molecular Geometries and Energies

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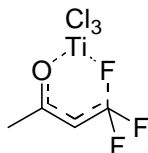


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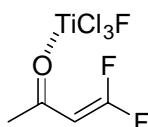


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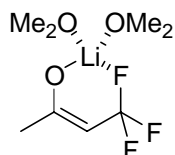
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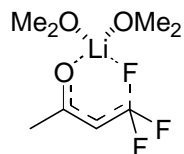


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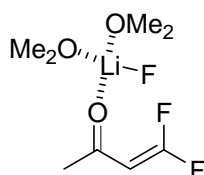
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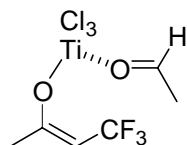
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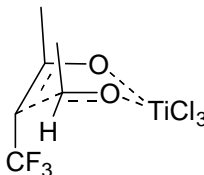
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| 16 | 6 | 0 | -1.696928 | 2.844251 | -0.516655 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -4.057529 | 1.659017 | -0.813410 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -3.329506 | 0.026777 | -0.938978 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -2.992169 | 1.257265 | -2.195698 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -0.821216 | 3.027701 | 0.107857 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -2.524835 | 3.489588 | -0.191309 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -1.458256 | 3.069625 | -1.566275 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -0.936976 | -2.506591 | -0.850616 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -2.501075 | -3.132309 | -0.204674 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -0.997280 | -3.319525 | 0.748869 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -3.424584 | -1.836365 | 1.729536 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -2.537275 | -0.344403 | 2.159238 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -1.868983 | -1.944708 | 2.605484 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 3.424202 | 2.290921 | 1.746772 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 1.927783 | 3.229190 | 1.490207 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 3.096351 | 2.976078 | 0.154995 |

Ti-CP2

$$E_{\text{sol}}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -2122.34142883 \text{ a.u.}$$

$$G_{\text{sol},-78}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -2122.228621 \text{ a.u.}$$

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -0.121313 | -0.873285 | -0.569823 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.093550 | -1.740113 | -0.936087 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.359079 | -1.549648 | -0.524474 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.367412 | 2.645876 | -0.307607 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.325863 | 1.719975 | -0.731393 |
| 6 | 22 | 0 | 1.288365 | -0.035519 | 0.092491 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -0.478057 | 2.786239 | 0.781285 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -2.785110 | -0.407380 | 0.334978 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -1.065810 | 3.598010 | -1.207710 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.140197 | -2.238135 | -0.834213 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | -0.624793 | -2.858836 | -1.815887 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | -4.085672 | -0.517928 | 0.668673 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | -2.639404 | 0.800840 | -0.284994 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | -2.079728 | -0.315804 | 1.490737 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -0.864929 | 3.382239 | -2.258876 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.757069 | 4.621303 | -0.953828 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -2.143757 | 3.539617 | -1.002461 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | 2.927185 | 0.477664 | -1.328116 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | 1.147240 | 1.022200 | 2.060696 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | 2.273185 | -1.882172 | 0.951630 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.143646 | -3.446866 | -1.300731 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -0.176097 | -2.453581 | -2.730784 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -1.455587 | -3.515104 | -2.086073 |

Ti-TS2-anti

$$E_{\text{sol}}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -2122.32748756 \text{ a.u.}$$

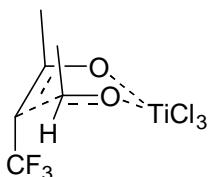
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| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
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| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.393376 | 0.856757 | -1.252609 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.291118 | 0.254623 | -0.376317 |

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|----|----|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -1.219056 | 1.186457 | 1.413977 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.012015 | 1.097889 | 1.077407 |
| 6 | 22 | 0 | 1.215654 | 0.037918 | -0.019244 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -1.648478 | 0.352804 | 1.978414 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -2.171885 | -1.182079 | 0.028498 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -1.827109 | 2.540931 | 1.605801 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.321899 | 0.607200 | -0.370447 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | -1.756308 | 2.046157 | -2.090148 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | -2.498620 | -2.022709 | -0.970482 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | -2.976669 | -1.458851 | 1.071829 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | -0.900733 | -1.534529 | 0.419332 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -1.482822 | 3.249779 | 0.848224 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -1.498612 | 2.908446 | 2.589383 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -2.918627 | 2.485837 | 1.614927 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | 2.803884 | 1.508866 | -0.413330 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | 1.933870 | -0.971389 | 1.874498 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | 1.854495 | -1.667423 | -1.356830 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -1.610358 | 1.788204 | -3.146648 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -1.085020 | 2.883716 | -1.865942 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -2.795306 | 2.347786 | -1.941265 |

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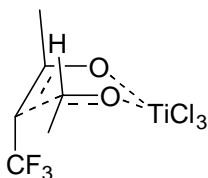
Optimized in the gas phase.
 E(B3LYP/631LAN) = -2122.31139572 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -0.120515 | 0.482466 | -1.308342 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.342590 | 0.872066 | -1.276903 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.267376 | 0.314686 | -0.388398 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -1.184411 | 1.162315 | 1.393556 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.038703 | 1.138386 | 1.041693 |
| 6 | 22 | 0 | 1.276831 | 0.005468 | -0.014505 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -1.574281 | 0.299122 | 1.939439 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -2.226997 | -1.128937 | 0.009945 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -1.836022 | 2.490678 | 1.661536 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.281663 | 0.701007 | -0.413851 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | -1.679334 | 2.063425 | -2.131751 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | -2.628117 | -1.943959 | -0.983341 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | -3.046182 | -1.350611 | 1.064134 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | -0.985581 | -1.553124 | 0.385389 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -1.560939 | 3.228250 | 0.903229 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -1.467129 | 2.853772 | 2.630887 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -2.923075 | 2.397167 | 1.724888 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | 2.868152 | 1.457594 | -0.385145 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | 1.861409 | -0.983179 | 1.895108 |

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|----|----|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 20 | 17 | 0 | 1.844456 | -1.689660 | -1.336285 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -1.502943 | 1.803446 | -3.181939 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -1.006148 | 2.894272 | -1.890593 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -2.718596 | 2.378840 | -2.015807 |

Ti-TS2-syn



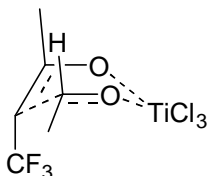
$E_{\text{sol}}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -2122.32255498 \text{ a.u.}$

$G_{\text{sol},-78}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -2122.206364 \text{ a.u.}$

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.054576 | 1.314558 | 0.586048 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.239447 | 1.703625 | 0.222385 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.243499 | 0.773975 | -0.015186 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.128831 | 0.227256 | -1.994251 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -0.075599 | 0.132057 | -1.574488 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.899475 | -0.994896 | -2.392926 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 2.273196 | -0.532109 | 0.717486 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.395480 | 1.163599 | -2.502532 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.228830 | 1.129885 | -0.311762 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 1.406039 | 3.169710 | -0.042902 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.974024 | -0.802979 | -2.423666 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 1.569673 | -1.221484 | -3.419054 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.673302 | -1.855314 | -1.763402 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 2.475102 | -0.366646 | 2.040934 |
| 15 | 9 | 0 | 3.252910 | -1.329584 | 0.258292 |
| 16 | 9 | 0 | 1.101832 | -1.249478 | 0.609318 |
| 17 | 22 | 0 | -1.220195 | 0.010815 | -0.013396 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | -2.930659 | 1.221928 | -0.686977 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | -1.813056 | -2.076591 | -0.654679 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | -1.770053 | -0.347159 | 2.150984 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 1.242724 | 3.716629 | 0.894107 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 0.646579 | 3.512393 | -0.755446 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 2.404410 | 3.403382 | -0.419122 |

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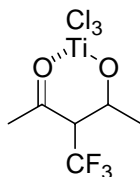


Optimized in the gas phase.

$E(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -2122.30579138$ a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.048240 | 1.362973 | 0.463523 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.213430 | 1.721712 | 0.055889 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.230547 | 0.785919 | -0.133884 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.097888 | 0.026321 | -1.998517 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -0.106255 | 0.027939 | -1.594637 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.822387 | -1.263308 | -2.273486 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 2.323166 | -0.433654 | 0.731602 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.409271 | 0.887105 | -2.604629 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.200742 | 1.144866 | -0.462145 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 1.366088 | 3.166089 | -0.334726 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.902983 | -1.121005 | -2.336294 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 1.464194 | -1.600139 | -3.257576 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.578093 | -2.034806 | -1.544028 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 2.587703 | -0.123728 | 2.016949 |
| 15 | 9 | 0 | 3.313504 | -1.247699 | 0.308271 |
| 16 | 9 | 0 | 1.176877 | -1.179298 | 0.748790 |
| 17 | 22 | 0 | -1.272796 | -0.010195 | 0.014199 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | -2.975149 | 1.116001 | -0.770865 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | -1.757926 | -2.135120 | -0.452432 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | -1.753216 | -0.148634 | 2.178845 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 1.202859 | 3.788496 | 0.552852 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 0.593805 | 3.438235 | -1.063105 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 2.356839 | 3.384093 | -0.740210 |

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$E_{\text{sol}}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -2122.36597483$ a.u.

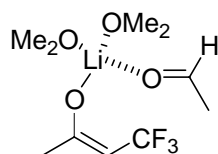
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| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -0.201593 | 0.754337 | -1.248512 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.382166 | 0.992084 | -0.982682 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -1.979817 | 0.616040 | 0.377452 |

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|----|----|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.970504 | 0.763880 | 1.540358 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.241673 | 0.071870 | 1.232568 |
| 6 | 22 | 0 | 1.441794 | -0.124562 | -0.041086 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -1.387698 | 0.260765 | 2.421746 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -2.594741 | -0.790281 | 0.320074 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -0.666227 | 2.220967 | 1.880967 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.831735 | 1.282421 | 0.579224 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | -2.256472 | 1.676114 | -1.983566 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | -3.530494 | -0.864401 | -0.651366 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | -3.191684 | -1.090701 | 1.486437 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | -1.678312 | -1.744758 | 0.068931 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -0.249051 | 2.760503 | 1.023736 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.059990 | 2.258742 | 2.697833 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -1.581317 | 2.727344 | 2.206473 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | 2.489469 | 1.750382 | -0.625683 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | 3.088291 | -1.040087 | 1.192022 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | 1.252327 | -1.787207 | -1.525739 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -3.200457 | 1.131203 | -2.093334 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -1.745140 | 1.767412 | -2.943358 |
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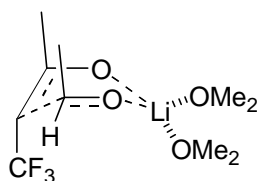
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 $G_{\text{sol}, -78}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -1000.853309 \text{ a.u.}$

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.158300 | -0.817293 | -1.251325 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.372231 | -1.174093 | -1.489255 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.502292 | -0.606936 | -0.936187 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.223344 | -1.856019 | 1.921921 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -1.029967 | -0.958463 | 1.716651 |
| 6 | 3 | 0 | -0.903861 | 0.055447 | -0.034653 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 0.557073 | -2.065232 | 1.170527 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 2.444865 | 0.541899 | -0.037912 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -0.221528 | -2.706488 | 3.153022 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.495720 | -0.945884 | -1.206644 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | 1.546858 | -2.331581 | -2.463225 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | 2.027938 | 1.732649 | -0.608162 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | 3.658233 | 0.822281 | 0.512636 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 1.577012 | 0.397097 | 1.034042 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -1.027524 | -2.421897 | 3.833482 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.750622 | -2.612102 | 3.655953 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -0.321489 | -3.762347 | 2.866639 |
| 18 | 8 | 0 | -1.107301 | 2.014482 | 0.347651 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | -0.502169 | 2.668083 | 1.460351 |

Experimental Section

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 20 | 6 | 0 | -1.136488 | 2.837574 | -0.816643 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | -2.749733 | -0.171910 | -0.818604 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -3.934675 | 0.257994 | -0.162550 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -2.968706 | -1.251441 | -1.722156 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -4.682545 | 0.598004 | -0.892957 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -3.653344 | 1.088567 | 0.487215 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -4.367815 | -0.553742 | 0.439410 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -1.986091 | -1.522304 | -2.109884 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -3.635800 | -0.941405 | -2.539104 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -3.418230 | -2.109770 | -1.201649 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -0.524059 | 1.965460 | 2.295321 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -1.068688 | 3.571430 | 1.725104 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 0.536084 | 2.936233 | 1.234445 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | -1.705203 | 3.757440 | -0.622855 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -1.632377 | 2.260157 | -1.599327 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | -0.118195 | 3.095011 | -1.132515 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | 1.113742 | -2.061967 | -3.434753 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | 0.990792 | -3.204446 | -2.099040 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | 2.593873 | -2.614260 | -2.611235 |

Li-TS2-anti'



Optimized in the gas phase.

E(B3LYP/631LAN) = -1001.10531431 a.u.

Single point calculation in the presence of dielectric field.

E(sol)(B3LYP/631LAN) = -1001.11230417 a.u.

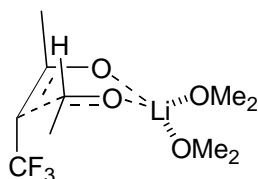
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| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.140581 | -1.000143 | -1.274157 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.286584 | -1.330464 | -0.882525 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.121504 | -0.460637 | -0.113616 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.124625 | -0.561817 | 1.731270 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -0.128729 | -0.472545 | 1.536137 |
| 6 | 3 | 0 | -1.027327 | -0.048316 | -0.042079 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 1.666460 | 0.340877 | 2.061991 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 2.114883 | 0.996122 | -0.418614 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | 1.681123 | -1.844196 | 2.334111 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.136439 | -0.804203 | 0.071376 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | 1.739337 | -2.759264 | -1.129601 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | 2.586626 | 1.293506 | -1.661222 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | 2.899098 | 1.684960 | 0.451802 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 0.877378 | 1.572591 | -0.356654 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 1.295479 | -2.724232 | 1.810243 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 1.337180 | -1.904720 | 3.375843 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 2.775768 | -1.864174 | 2.333669 |

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| 18 | 8 | 0 | -1.922748 | 1.771609 | 0.133635 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | -1.500474 | 2.580678 | 1.229368 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | -2.211200 | 2.524763 | -1.036635 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | -2.771966 | -1.038280 | -0.376604 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -3.845539 | -0.859505 | 0.536466 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -2.689248 | -2.369476 | -0.875398 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -4.808815 | -1.073891 | 0.051178 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -3.818313 | 0.183745 | 0.853552 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -3.730381 | -1.516018 | 1.410844 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -1.803385 | -2.406597 | -1.509063 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -3.589322 | -2.619573 | -1.455214 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -2.583055 | -3.087389 | -0.049227 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -1.201368 | 1.893793 | 2.022159 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -2.323964 | 3.225222 | 1.567932 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | -0.642560 | 3.203056 | 0.946390 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | -3.018289 | 3.246908 | -0.847671 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -2.532094 | 1.815416 | -1.802911 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | -1.318878 | 3.061855 | -1.385343 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | 1.850117 | -2.913630 | -2.209834 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | 0.966742 | -3.454040 | -0.780660 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | 2.689617 | -2.999327 | -0.645400 |

Li-TS2-syn



$$E_{\text{sol}}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -1001.11148263 \text{ a.u.}$$

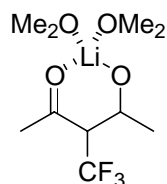
$$G_{\text{sol}, -78}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -1000.838563 \text{ a.u.}$$

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.023438 | 1.238498 | -1.123268 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.030482 | 1.702417 | -0.616225 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.037474 | 0.867988 | -0.040940 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -1.088062 | 0.618624 | 1.826990 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.130016 | 0.294359 | 1.640250 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.020526 | -0.372264 | 2.510932 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | -2.247554 | -0.477585 | -0.637569 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.307495 | 1.665099 | 2.107938 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.982972 | 1.344032 | 0.212889 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -1.162177 | 3.208070 | -0.481240 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.067968 | -0.060864 | 2.466120 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -1.721194 | -0.422669 | 3.567468 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -1.915015 | -1.371344 | 2.082255 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | -2.482233 | -0.448740 | -1.986909 |
| 15 | 9 | 0 | -3.328703 | -1.097589 | -0.095348 |
| 16 | 9 | 0 | -1.196933 | -1.334561 | -0.484891 |
| 17 | 3 | 0 | 1.064739 | 0.031458 | 0.023916 |
| 18 | 8 | 0 | 1.697498 | -1.853379 | -0.193204 |

Experimental Section

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 19 | 6 | 0 | 1.181255 | -2.866966 | 0.666409 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | 2.178781 | -2.363776 | -1.431356 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | 2.907112 | 0.866376 | -0.089596 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | 3.956155 | 0.380084 | 0.740048 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.018211 | 2.262159 | -0.353118 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | 0.771384 | -2.353837 | 1.537330 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 1.981751 | -3.555591 | 0.969828 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 0.385377 | -3.434392 | 0.166655 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 2.984142 | -3.092414 | -1.265107 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.568702 | -1.515640 | -1.998558 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 1.368794 | -2.845138 | -1.996517 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 4.933041 | 0.533142 | 0.260525 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 3.779141 | -0.687138 | 0.880706 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 3.952355 | 0.889045 | 1.714626 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | 2.154283 | 2.531349 | -0.961194 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | 3.948782 | 2.479199 | -0.895923 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | 3.007395 | 2.837528 | 0.583805 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | -1.085591 | 3.666726 | -1.474112 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | -0.326920 | 3.591476 | 0.117524 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | -2.104666 | 3.515728 | -0.020712 |

Li-PD2



$$E_{\text{sol}}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -1001.12119184 \text{ a.u.}$$

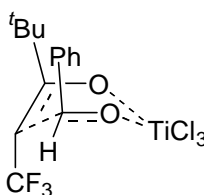
$$G_{\text{sol},-78}(\text{B3LYP}/631\text{LAN}) = -1000.846021 \text{ a.u.}$$

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.232731 | -0.982792 | -1.273450 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.393734 | -1.196384 | -0.915869 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.023561 | -0.396471 | 0.197521 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.230537 | -0.642943 | 1.594133 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -0.039396 | -0.191598 | 1.575066 |
| 6 | 3 | 0 | -1.015398 | -0.041850 | 0.052059 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 1.881482 | -0.089895 | 2.308158 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 2.083375 | 1.079155 | -0.146919 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | 1.346739 | -2.140725 | 1.958473 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.068158 | -0.701730 | 0.335146 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | 2.206857 | -2.302637 | -1.538894 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | 2.943525 | 1.295879 | -1.183101 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | 2.533426 | 1.823983 | 0.886437 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 0.899017 | 1.609849 | -0.534382 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 0.761158 | -2.754252 | 1.262210 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.921147 | -2.288284 | 2.957465 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 2.383874 | -2.503424 | 1.972333 |
| 18 | 8 | 0 | -2.007495 | 1.703732 | -0.079205 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | -1.585908 | 2.762835 | 0.775855 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 20 | 6 | 0 | -2.789478 | 2.146532 | -1.180193 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | -2.683304 | -1.176037 | -0.261891 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -3.669466 | -1.034946 | 0.756709 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -2.561441 | -2.521618 | -0.712565 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -4.659957 | -1.325111 | 0.379435 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -3.677621 | 0.017714 | 1.043677 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -3.420522 | -1.654260 | 1.629860 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -1.775145 | -2.533764 | -1.467785 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -3.507956 | -2.868740 | -1.149949 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -2.283891 | -3.187838 | 0.116800 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -0.940298 | 2.306496 | 1.527841 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -2.453971 | 3.240519 | 1.251197 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | -1.021831 | 3.518531 | 0.212657 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | -3.696532 | 2.661560 | -0.833668 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -3.071417 | 1.258252 | -1.749326 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | -2.214057 | 2.830335 | -1.820340 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | 3.072558 | -1.870385 | -2.058311 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | 1.601423 | -2.874035 | -2.246036 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | 2.604530 | -2.966762 | -0.761804 |

Ti-TS3-anti'



Optimized in the gas phase.

E(B3LYP/631LAN) = -2431.98683106 a.u.

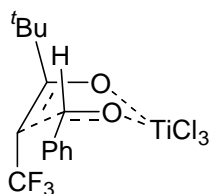
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| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.897642 | 0.855532 | 0.770506 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -0.222301 | 1.419230 | 0.510840 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -0.737464 | 1.380401 | -0.799653 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.946813 | -0.802637 | -0.902069 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.024712 | -1.234682 | -0.178255 |
| 6 | 22 | 0 | 1.876504 | -0.772536 | 0.241333 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -0.763846 | -0.700969 | -1.973630 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 0.156946 | 1.559116 | -1.988506 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -2.340503 | -1.111576 | -0.522300 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -1.708883 | 1.828065 | -0.972242 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | -0.953782 | 2.045130 | 1.702142 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | 0.648299 | 2.810864 | -2.075003 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | -0.529778 | 1.321191 | -3.132495 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 1.231715 | 0.718850 | -2.000228 |
| 15 | 6 | 0 | -2.633318 | -1.765421 | 0.684173 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -3.954224 | -2.077468 | 1.000907 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -4.986642 | -1.738854 | 0.120925 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | 2.126654 | -1.844803 | 2.135235 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|----|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 19 | 17 | 0 | 2.530186 | -2.233562 | -1.313544 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | 3.717800 | 0.483603 | 0.139483 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -0.995382 | 1.041801 | 2.875579 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -2.382514 | 2.499013 | 1.354734 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -0.104254 | 3.279702 | 2.107010 |
| 24 | 6 | 0 | -4.697563 | -1.094656 | -1.086222 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | -3.378700 | -0.786389 | -1.409865 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -1.820562 | -2.042162 | 1.348037 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -4.178976 | -2.591777 | 1.930854 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -6.014960 | -1.984122 | 0.371232 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -5.498207 | -0.840882 | -1.774851 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -3.145717 | -0.289775 | -2.349219 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 0.005674 | 0.689709 | 3.136222 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | -1.615147 | 0.171943 | 2.633137 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | -1.430515 | 1.529722 | 3.754689 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -2.851221 | 2.921168 | 2.249914 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | -3.007711 | 1.664615 | 1.017837 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | -2.392366 | 3.278095 | 0.584269 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | -0.571608 | 3.773829 | 2.966083 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | -0.041006 | 4.006598 | 1.289128 |
| 39 | 1 | 0 | 0.911216 | 2.983389 | 2.384626 |

Ti-TS3-syn'



Optimized in the gas phase.

E(B3LYP/631LAN) = -2431.98036301 a.u.

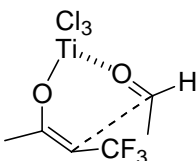
G(B3LYP/631LAN) = -2431.754479 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -1.545264 | 0.688230 | 0.183883 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -0.753648 | 1.698302 | 0.165911 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 0.564898 | 1.553824 | 0.624072 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.081218 | 0.284637 | -1.149590 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.145883 | -0.596818 | -1.125597 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.483440 | -0.070961 | -0.867576 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 0.864128 | 0.666705 | 1.796068 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0.949175 | 1.117144 | -1.850088 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.222625 | 2.413395 | 0.591557 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -1.318553 | 2.980152 | -0.452796 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | 2.828458 | -1.344640 | -0.385713 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | 4.168966 | -1.665058 | -0.187603 |
| 13 | 6 | 0 | 5.167532 | -0.726042 | -0.462373 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 0.261874 | 1.113051 | 2.921015 |
| 15 | 9 | 0 | 2.184953 | 0.622563 | 2.045130 |
| 16 | 9 | 0 | 0.445028 | -0.626590 | 1.635804 |

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|----|----|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 17 | 22 | 0 | -1.452502 | -1.237218 | -0.205570 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | -2.827033 | -1.434641 | -1.900999 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | -0.522460 | -3.271852 | -0.056859 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | -2.813870 | -1.528447 | 1.539461 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.903875 | 2.660801 | -1.847238 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -0.270368 | 4.099889 | -0.568766 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -2.459957 | 3.441786 | 0.491412 |
| 24 | 6 | 0 | 4.827999 | 0.540251 | -0.949903 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | 3.491230 | 0.865232 | -1.155397 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 2.049305 | -2.073398 | -0.190871 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 4.436439 | -2.652075 | 0.178063 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 6.211411 | -0.982976 | -0.305291 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 5.604327 | 1.266135 | -1.173473 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 3.222261 | 1.846174 | -1.541696 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -2.642987 | 1.857623 | -1.795308 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | -1.121479 | 2.358593 | -2.553984 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | -2.390443 | 3.554652 | -2.252699 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -0.736746 | 4.985524 | -1.012838 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | 0.568891 | 3.815427 | -1.215028 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | 0.128612 | 4.394412 | 0.408089 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | -2.918983 | 4.350846 | 0.087204 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | -2.080328 | 3.668289 | 1.494202 |
| 39 | 1 | 0 | -3.230305 | 2.671206 | 0.580553 |

Ti-INT'



Structure in the gas phase.

E(B3LYP/631LAN) = -2432.00332164000 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -1.373033 | 0.468745 | -0.519521 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.016155 | 1.732327 | -0.277324 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -0.706748 | 2.179720 | 0.960847 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.691522 | -0.578051 | 0.566808 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.805936 | -0.913003 | -0.228412 |
| 6 | 22 | 0 | -1.324389 | -1.332441 | -0.258009 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 1.436596 | -0.391197 | 1.618616 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -0.791429 | 1.434846 | 2.244043 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | 3.088420 | -0.423838 | 0.183564 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -0.442317 | 3.218883 | 1.105408 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | -1.004483 | 2.604652 | -1.536323 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | -1.727809 | 1.950574 | 3.065303 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | 0.391362 | 1.502311 | 2.926832 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | -1.065302 | 0.107855 | 2.118017 |
| 15 | 6 | 0 | 3.510331 | -0.685658 | -1.134452 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | 4.851159 | -0.538587 | -1.467318 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|----|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 5.773280 | -0.132460 | -0.493332 |
| 18 | 17 | 0 | -1.223401 | -2.212243 | -2.269767 |
| 19 | 17 | 0 | -0.678844 | -2.944576 | 1.179385 |
| 20 | 17 | 0 | -3.481090 | -1.522916 | 0.240730 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -0.048785 | 1.968406 | -2.573412 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -0.548472 | 4.043999 | -1.242064 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -2.443070 | 2.629860 | -2.107346 |
| 24 | 6 | 0 | 5.359358 | 0.128033 | 0.816428 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | 4.017484 | -0.018246 | 1.157157 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 2.778501 | -1.005699 | -1.869265 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 5.185041 | -0.741088 | -2.480538 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 6.821322 | -0.021455 | -0.757624 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 6.080878 | 0.441279 | 1.564835 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 3.681518 | 0.182605 | 2.171455 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -0.361937 | 0.954717 | -2.837709 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 0.977428 | 1.924048 | -2.189674 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | -0.041721 | 2.572552 | -3.487811 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -0.562546 | 4.625618 | -2.169922 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | 0.473718 | 4.075101 | -0.847033 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | -1.212364 | 4.544788 | -0.528938 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | -2.462700 | 3.217419 | -3.032464 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | -3.141189 | 3.088140 | -1.397666 |
| 39 | 1 | 0 | -2.798936 | 1.620885 | -2.332936 |

Tabulated data of the IRC analysis of Ti-TS3-anti' (Figure 3-9).

| | C^3-C^4 (Å) | $F^{14}-Ti^6$ (Å) | $Ti^6-O^1-C^2$ (°) | $F^{14}-C^8-C^3-C^2$ (°) | E (kcal/mol) |
|----|------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|---------------|
| CP | 4.51537 | 3.49253 | 176.261 | -50.120 | 0.0000000000 |
| | 4.71981 | 3.69473 | 179.929 | -62.263 | 0.39525597487 |
| | 4.63230 | 3.46819 | 174.893 | -52.267 | 0.19437440010 |
| | 4.59380 | 3.42873 | 173.979 | -50.454 | 0.17848610005 |
| | 4.58870 | 3.42393 | 173.867 | -50.232 | 0.17833549993 |
| | 4.48863 | 3.32693 | 169.077 | -44.961 | 0.45227062487 |
| | 4.47010 | 3.26835 | 169.604 | -42.578 | 0.28978577510 |
| | 4.40647 | 3.18169 | 167.762 | -38.293 | 0.36350447508 |
| | 4.39687 | 3.19215 | 165.140 | -40.205 | 0.61920444997 |
| | 4.36959 | 3.16473 | 165.356 | -37.906 | 0.49992925009 |
| | 4.22723 | 2.97152 | 161.212 | -28.510 | 0.64266667510 |
| | 4.19270 | 2.93050 | 160.303 | -26.259 | 0.69351299999 |
| | 4.16689 | 2.89447 | 159.787 | -23.766 | 0.73854240004 |
| | 4.14984 | 2.87034 | 159.586 | -24.703 | 0.86965225004 |
| | 4.07606 | 2.81648 | 157.876 | -17.240 | 1.07240377501 |
| | 3.98912 | 2.88128 | 156.565 | -5.535 | 2.15022915004 |

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| | 3.94326 | 2.83462 | 156.440 | -6.144 | 1.69837267506 |
| INT | 3.67590 | 2.79053 | 154.560 | 8.212 | 2.34967374988 |
| | 3.61422 | 2.78826 | 154.027 | 12.332 | 2.56639342495 |
| | 3.59516 | 2.76981 | 153.841 | 14.268 | 2.71192322511 |
| | 3.57300 | 2.78583 | 153.439 | 17.085 | 2.85860762505 |
| | 3.56267 | 2.74336 | 153.059 | 18.763 | 3.01020534996 |
| | 3.55587 | 2.78193 | 152.635 | 21.663 | 3.24605122507 |
| | 3.47191 | 2.72835 | 151.306 | 25.041 | 3.59305245005 |
| | 3.38317 | 2.76838 | 149.946 | 28.713 | 4.20524772495 |
| | 3.21907 | 2.74613 | 148.347 | 33.079 | 4.76957730012 |
| | 3.05358 | 2.73071 | 146.751 | 37.430 | 6.01444317497 |
| | 2.93013 | 2.74940 | 145.214 | 39.246 | 6.84145680007 |
| | 2.80739 | 2.78046 | 143.689 | 41.038 | 8.30684500000 |
| | 2.75931 | 2.81260 | 142.727 | 41.362 | 9.36692467493 |
| IRC | 2.53713 | 2.75331 | 141.388 | 41.338 | 10.27037407510 |
| ↓ | 2.52357 | 2.75401 | 141.231 | 41.801 | 10.41924844999 |
| | 2.50982 | 2.75473 | 141.072 | 42.271 | 10.56856207509 |
| | 2.49594 | 2.75544 | 140.915 | 42.746 | 10.71710387508 |
| | 2.48182 | 2.75615 | 140.756 | 43.230 | 10.86555154991 |
| | 2.46746 | 2.75687 | 140.597 | 43.721 | 11.01324622501 |
| | 2.45291 | 2.75759 | 140.437 | 44.221 | 11.16019417502 |
| | 2.43856 | 2.75830 | 140.280 | 44.710 | 11.30337712489 |
| | 2.42344 | 2.75902 | 140.120 | 45.230 | 11.44625259987 |
| | 2.40821 | 2.75973 | 139.961 | 45.752 | 11.58634197493 |
| | 2.39278 | 2.76045 | 139.802 | 46.282 | 11.72276674993 |
| | 2.37712 | 2.76116 | 139.644 | 46.818 | 11.85469862508 |
| | 2.36125 | 2.76187 | 139.486 | 47.363 | 11.98130930000 |
| | 2.34519 | 2.76257 | 139.331 | 47.913 | 12.10143162505 |
| | 2.32892 | 2.76326 | 139.175 | 48.470 | 12.21422475000 |
| | 2.31243 | 2.76395 | 139.022 | 49.032 | 12.31850270011 |
| | 2.29584 | 2.76464 | 138.869 | 49.600 | 12.41323637514 |
| | 2.27933 | 2.76530 | 138.720 | 50.161 | 12.49508120008 |
| | 2.26263 | 2.76595 | 138.583 | 50.735 | 12.56425679988 |
| | 2.24749 | 2.76663 | 138.431 | 51.230 | 12.61887440012 |
| TS | 2.19544 | 2.76850 | 138.006 | 52.989 | 12.69751270001 |
| | 2.14340 | 2.77038 | 137.579 | 54.702 | 12.60587260008 |

Experimental Section

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For the experimental procedure and the physical data of the product, see the experimental section of Chapter 2.

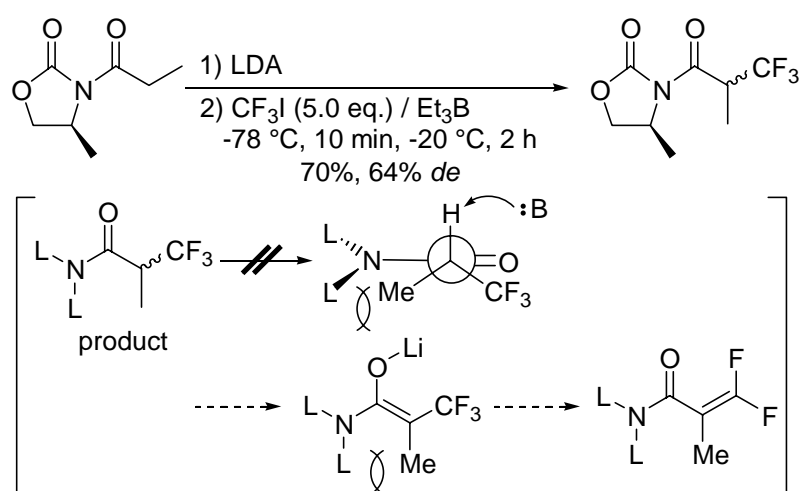
Chapter 4

Radical Trifluoromethylation of Ti Ate Enolate

4-1. Introduction.

The α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds are one of the most useful synthetic intermediates for functionalization with CF₃. Radical trifluoromethylation of enolates is, in principle, one of the simplest ways to introduce a CF₃ unit at the α position of a carbonyl group. However, there are only limited examples especially in the case of ketones.^{1,2,3,4,5} It has been reported that the synthetic difficulty is due to the defluorination of the α -CF₃ ketone product by the parent enolate or a base during the reaction.⁶

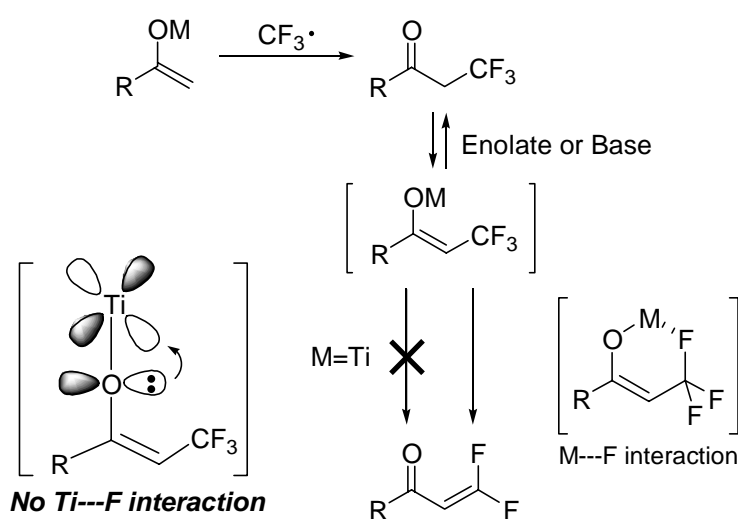
Scheme 4-1.



- (1) Trifluoromethylation of lithium enolate of hindered imides (only exception for the use of Li enolate): (a) Iseki, K.; Nagai, T.; Kobayashi, Y. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1993**, *34*, 2169-2170. (b) Iseki, K.; Nagai, T.; Kobayashi, Y. *Tetrahedron: Asymmetry* **1994**, *5*, 961-974. They have succeeded in trifluoromethylation by adopting Evans oxazolidinones with bulky substituent at α position to suppress defluorination.
- (2) Perfluoroalkylation of silyl and germyl enolates of esters and ketones: (a) Miura, K.; Taniguchi, M.; Nozaki, K.; Oshima, K.; Utimoto, K. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1990**, *31*, 6391-6394. (b) Miura, K.; Takeyama, Y.; Oshima, K.; Utimoto, K. *Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn.* **1991**, *64*, 1542-1553. Perfluoroalkylation of silyl enol ethers provided the products in good yields except for trifluoromethylation. Trifluoromethylation of ketone germyl enolates proceeds in good yield.
- (3) Trifluoromethylation of enamines: (a) Cantacuzène, D.; Wakselman, C.; Dorme, R. *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1* **1977**, 1365-1371. (b) Kitazume, T.; Ishikawa, N. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1985**, *107*, 5186-5191.
- (4) Trifluoromethylation of enol acetates: Langlois, B. R.; Laurent, E.; Roidot, N. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1992**, *33*, 1291-1294.
- (5) There are some reports of trifluoromethylation using CF₃⁺: (a) Yagupol'skii, L. M.; Kondratenko, N. V.; Timofeeva, G. N. *J. Org. Chem. USSR* **1984**, *20*, 115-118. (b) Umemoto, T.; Ishihara, S. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1993**, *115*, 2156-2164. (c) Umemoto, T.; Adachi, K. *J. Org. Chem.* **1994**, *59*, 5692-5699.
- (6) M-F interaction plays an important role in defluorination of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds. (a) Schlosser, M. In *Organometallics in Synthesis-A Manual*; Schlosser, M. Ed.; John Wiley & Sons: Chichester, 1994; p 1-166. (b) Murphy, E. F.; Murugavel, R.; Roesky, H. W. *Chem. Rev.* **1997**, *97*, 3425-3468. (c) Plenio, H. *Chem. Rev.* **1997**, *97*, 3363-3384.

Indeed, the only example of the radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolate¹ was achieved by introducing bulky substituent on α position to carbonyl group and oxazolidinone moiety to suppress defluorination by the parent Li enolate (Scheme 4-1). To avoid the defluorination reaction of the α -CF₃ ketone products, less reactive enolate equivalents such as silyl or germyl enol ethers have been used for radical trifluoromethylation.² In Chapter 2 and 3, the author has reported the efficient generation of Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones and their aldol reactions in high chemical yields.⁷ The stability of the Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones stems from the linearity of Ti-O-C bonds caused by the donation of the lone electron pair of the oxygen to the empty d-orbital of Ti to suppress the unfavorable Ti-F interaction and, hence, the successive defluorination. On the basis of the fact that Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones are stable to defluorination, the author reports here that Ti ate enolates can be applied to the radical trifluoromethylation for the synthesis of α -CF₃ ketones.⁸

Scheme 4-2.



4-2. Radical trifluoromethylation of Ti enolates.

First, several Ti enolates of cyclohexanone (**1a**) were reacted with a CF₃ radical, which was generated by CF₃I (ca. 5 eq.) and Et₃B⁹ (1.0 eq.). The reaction was carried out at -78 °C for 2 h. The yields were determined by ¹⁹F NMR analyses using BTF as an internal standard (Figure 4-1). In the case of the TiCl₃ enolate (formed by TiCl₄ and Et₃N in CH₂Cl₂ at -78 °C), no α -CF₃ ketone (**3a**) was obtained. In the case of the

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(8) (a) Itoh, Y.; Mikami, K. *Org. Lett.* **2005**, *7*, 649-651. (b) Itoh, Y.; Mikami, K. *J. Fluorine Chem.* In press.

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Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₃ enolate (formed by the addition of Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₃Cl to the corresponding Li enolate in THF at -78 °C), the α-CF₃ ketone (**3a**) was formed, however, in low yield (23%). In order to increase the reactivity of the enolate, Ti ate^{10,11} enolate was examined. Ti ate enolates could be easily formed just by adding Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ to Li enolate at low temperature.¹⁰ Upon treatment of Ti ate enolate (**2a**) with the CF₃ radical, the α-CF₃ ketone (**3a**) was obtained in an increased yield (56%).

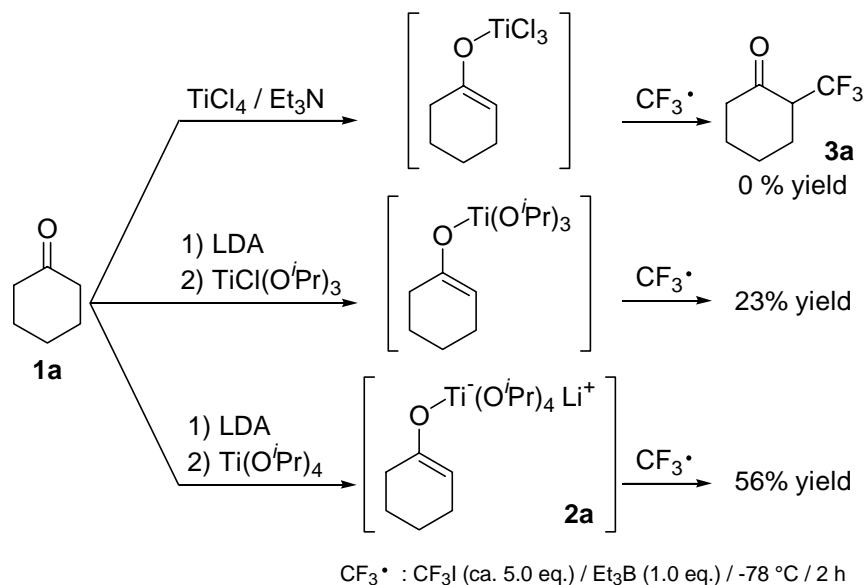


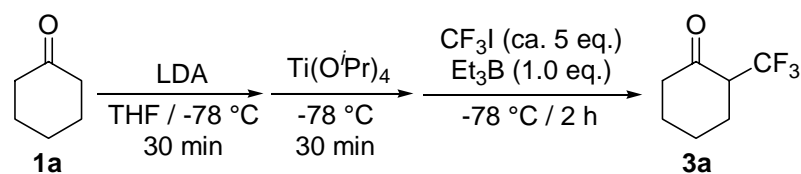
Figure 4-1. Trifluoromethylation of various Ti enolates.

Therefore, the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates was further investigated and the use of excess amounts of LDA and Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ was found to be important in increasing the yield (Table 4-1). When the enolate (**2a**) was formed by 1.0 eq. of LDA and 1.0 eq. of Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄, the product (**3a**) was formed in 56% yield (entry 1).

- (10) Some reactions involving titanium ate enolates: (a) Siegel, C.; Thornton, E. R. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1989**, *111*, 5722-5728. (b) Bernardi, A.; Cavicchioli, M.; Marchionni, C.; Potenza, D.; Scolastico, C. *J. Org. Chem.* **1994**, *59*, 3690-3694. (c) Yachi, K.; Shinokubo, H.; Oshima, K. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1999**, *121*, 9465-9466. (d) Han, Z.; Yorimitsu, H.; Shinokubo, H.; Oshima, K. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **2000**, *41*, 4415-4418.
- (11) Some reactions involving other titanium ate complexes: (a) Reetz, M. T.; Wenderoth, B. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1982**, *23*, 5259-5262. (b) Reetz, M. T.; Westermann, J.; Steinbach, R.; Wenderoth, B.; Peter, R.; Ostarek, R.; Maus, S. *Chem. Ber.* **1985**, *118*, 1421-1440. (c) Reetz, M. T.; Steinbach, R.; Westermann, J.; Peter, R.; Wenderoth, B. *Chem. Ber.* **1985**, *118*, 1441-1454. (d) Takahashi, H.; Kawabata, A.; Niwa, H.; Higashiyama, K. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **1988**, *36*, 803-806. (e) Takahashi, H.; Tsubuki, T.; Higashiyama, K. *Synthesis* **1988**, 238-240. (f) Takahashi, H.; Tsubuki, T.; Higashiyama, K. *Chem. Pharm. Bull.* **1991**, *39*, 260-265. (g) Bernardi, A.; Cavicchioli, M.; Scolastico, C. *Tetrahedron* **1993**, *49*, 10913-10916. (h) Bernardi, A.; Marchionni, C.; Pilati, T.; Scolastico, C. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1994**, *35*, 6357-6360. (i) Mahrwald, R. *Tetrahedron* **1995**, *51*, 9015-9022.

When 1.6 eq. of LDA and 1.6 eq. of $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$ were used, the yield increased up to 81% (entry 3). Using 1.0 eq. of LDA and 1.6 eq. of $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$ gave the $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ ketone (**3a**) in almost the same yield as in entry 1 (52%, entry 5). Therefore, both LDA and $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$ should be used in excess amounts.

Table 4-1. Trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates.



| entry | LDA (eq.) | $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$ (eq.) | yield (%) ^a |
|-------|-----------|--|------------------------|
| 1 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 56 |
| 2 | 1.3 | 1.3 | 72 |
| 3 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 81 |
| 4 | 2.0 | 2.0 | 80 |
| 5 | 1.0 | 1.6 | 52 |

^a Determined by ^{19}F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

4-3. Investigation of the effect of amine.

The Ti ate enolate is prepared from the parent Li enolate. When LDA was used for the preparation of the Li enolate, 1 eq. of $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$ was formed simultaneously. In order to investigate the effect of $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$, $^n\text{BuLi}$ was added to the corresponding silyl enol ether.¹² By this silyl-to-lithium transmetallation method, Li enolate could be generated without formation of $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$ and the amount of $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$ could be controlled (Table 4-2). When the reaction was carried out without the addition of $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$, the yields did not change significantly by increasing the amount of $^n\text{BuLi}$ and/or $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$ (entries 1~3). On the contrary, when three reagents ($^n\text{BuLi}$, $^i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$, and $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$) were used in 1.0 eq. each, the yield was decreased (entry 4 (vs. entry 1)). In the case that the three reagents were used in 1.6 eq. each, the yield was significantly increased (entry 5). Although the yields of entries 4 and 5 in Table 4-2 were slightly decreased compared to those in entries 1 and 3 in Table 4-1, a similar tendency was observed in the relationship of the yields and the amounts of the reagents.

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Table 4-2. Trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates starting from the silyl enol ether.

| entry | ⁿ BuLi (eq.) | R ₂ NH (eq.) | Ti(O ⁱ Pr) ₄ | yield (%) |
|-------|-------------------------|---------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------|
| 1 | 1.0 | - | 1.0 | 63 |
| 2 | 1.0 | - | 1.6 | 62 |
| 3 | 1.6 | - | 1.6 | 68 |
| 4 | 1.0 | ⁱ Pr ₂ NH (1.0) | 1.0 | 49 |
| 5 | 1.6 | (1.6) | 1.6 | 74 |
| 6 | 1.0 | 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine (1.0) | 1.0 | 57 |
| 7 | 1.6 | (1.6) | 1.6 | 72 |
| 8 | 1.0 | Et ₂ NH (1.0) | 1.0 | 6 |
| 9 | 1.6 | (1.6) | 1.6 | 11 |

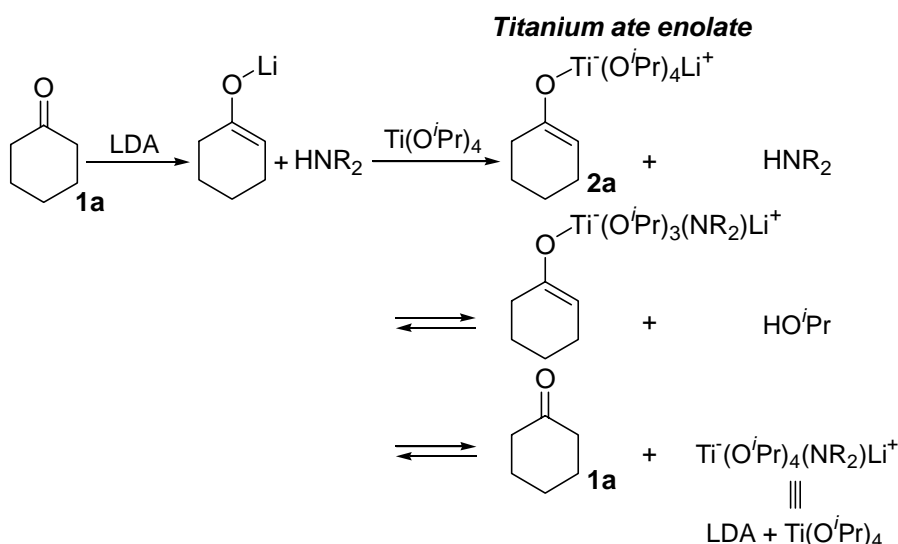
^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

From these results, the effect of ⁱPr₂NH could be rationalized as follows (Scheme 4-3); ⁱPr₂NH, which is formed from LDA in the preparation of the Ti ate enolate (**2a**), would exchange with ^oPr ligand to form ⁱPrOH. ⁱPrOH could protonate the enolate to form the parent ketone and the Ti amide complex (LDA/Ti(OⁱPr)₄).¹³ This mechanism rationalizes not only the decrease in yield upon addition of ⁱPr₂NH (Table 4-2, entry 4) (protonation of the enolate to reduce the amount of the reactive enolate species) but also the increase in yield using excess amount of LDA and Ti(OⁱPr)₄ (the equilibrium shifts to the Ti ate enolate). In order to support the proposal, 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine and Et₂NH were investigated. 2,2,6,6-Tetramethylpiperidine is more bulky than ⁱPr₂NH and its coordinating ability is lower than ⁱPr₂NH. Thus it could be expected that the equilibrium (Scheme 4-3) would shift to the Ti ate enolate (**2a**). In fact, when 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine was used in 1.0 eq. (entry 6), the decrease in the yield was not significant relative to ⁱPr₂NH (entry 4), and, when 2,2,6,6-tetramethylpiperidine was used in 1.6 eq. (entry 7), the yield was increased as the case with ⁱPr₂NH (entry 5). On the other hand, Et₂NH is less bulky than ⁱPr₂NH and its coordination ability is higher than ⁱPr₂NH. Thus it could be expected that the equilibrium (Scheme 4-3) would shift to the ketone (**1a**). In fact, when Et₂NH was used in 1.0 eq. (entry 8) and 1.6 eq. (entry 9),

(13) NMR study of a Ti ate enolate (ref. 10-(b)) showed that the ketone was formed in the generation of the Ti ate enolate (although this is only mentioned in the foot note of Figure 2 of the literature). This fact also supports the proposed mechanism.

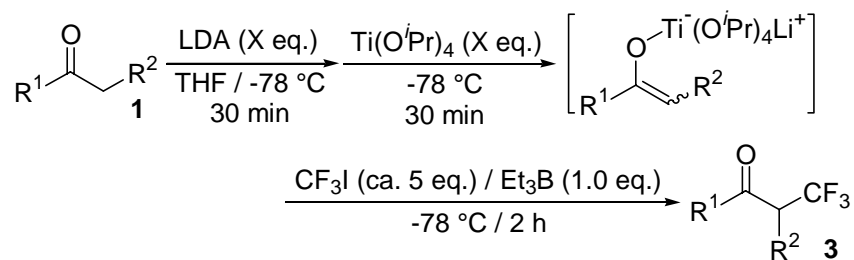
the yield was decreased. It should be noted that the LDA/Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ complex, which might act as a base, works not for the decomposition of the α-CF₃ ketone product but for increasing the yield.

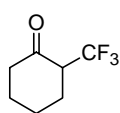
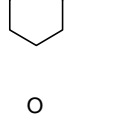
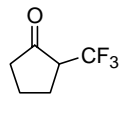
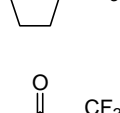
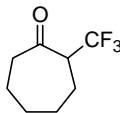
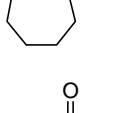
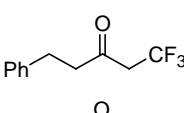
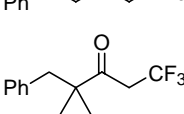
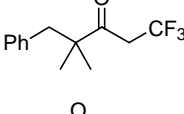
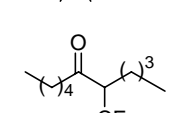
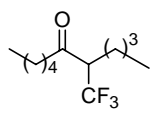
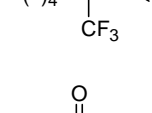
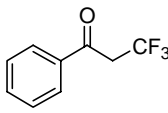
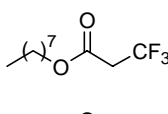
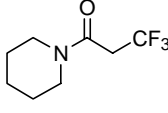
Scheme 4-3.



4-4. Radical trifluoromethylation of various substrates.

Several ketonic substrates were investigated (Table 4-3). Although cyclohexanone gave the α-CF₃ product (**3a**) in 81% yield under LDA=Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄=1.6 eq. condition (entry 2), cyclopentanone gave poor yield (**3b**) for both LDA=Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄=1.0 and 1.6 eq. conditions (38% in entry 3 and 33% in entry 4). In the case of cycloheptanone, the α-CF₃ product (**3c**) was obtained in good yield (61%) by LDA=Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄=1.6 eq. condition (entry 6). For acyclic substrates, **1e** and **1f** gave the products in good yield (65% in entry 10 and 64% in entry 12). The yield of **3d** was poor in the case that LDA=Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄=1.6 eq. (entry 8, 14%). Interestingly however, when the number of equivalents were decreased (LDA=Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄=1.0 eq.), the yield increased (38%, entry 7) than that in 1.6 eq. condition for this acyclic substrate. When acetophenone (**1g**) (entry 13), ester (**1h**) (entry 14), and amide (**1i**) (entry 15) were used as substrates, the α-CF₃ products were not obtained at all. The reaction of acetophenone (**1g**) and ester (**1h**) resulted in a complex mixture. For acetophenone (**1g**), it is probably due to the high acidity of α-proton of the α-CF₃ product, which might lead to the decomposition (Scheme 4-2). For ester **1h**, the Claisen condensation might be the reason for the complex mixture. The reaction of the amide **1i** gave the self-coupling product of the amide enolate.

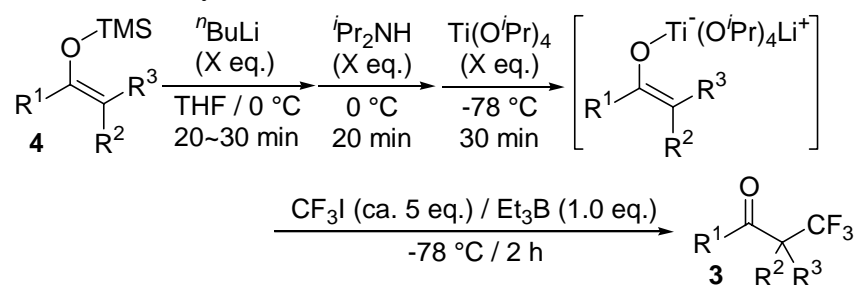
Table 4-3. Trifluoromethylation of various substrates.

| entry | product | X (eq.) | yield (%) ^a |
|-------|---|---------|------------------------|
| 1 |  | 1.0 | 63 |
| 2 |  3a | 1.6 | 81 |
| 3 |  | 1.0 | 38 |
| 4 |  3b | 1.6 | 33 |
| 5 |  | 1.0 | 49 |
| 6 |  3c | 1.6 | 61 |
| 7 |  | 1.0 | 38 |
| 8 |  3d | 1.6 | 14 |
| 9 |  | 1.0 | (50) |
| 10 |  3e | 1.6 | 69 (65) |
| 11 |  | 1.0 | 32 |
| 12 |  3f | 1.6 | 64 |
| 13 |  3g | 1.3 | - |
| 14 |  3h | 1.0 | - |
| 15 |  3i | 1.3 | - |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard. The numbers in parentheses refer to the yields of the isolated products.

Although LDA could generate only the kinetic Li enolate, the thermodynamic enolate could also be prepared from silyl enol ethers. Therefore, the thermodynamic Ti ate enolate of an α -substituted ketone could be generated by the silyl-to-lithium transmetalation method to obtain a quaternary carbon center attached to the CF_3 substituent. In the case of α -Me (**4j**) and α -Ph (**4k**) substituted cyclohexanones, the products were obtained in reasonable yields (42% and 43% yield each) (Table 4-4).

Table 4-4. Trifluoromethylation of various substrates.



| entry | substrate | product | X (eq.) | yield (%) ^a |
|-------|-----------|---------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | | | 1.0 | 49 |
| 2 | | | 1.6 | 74 |
| 3 | | | 1.0 | 30 |
| 4 | | | 1.6 | 42 |
| 5 | | | 1.0 | 32 (35) |
| 6 | | | 1.6 | 44 (43) |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard. The numbers in parentheses refer to the yields of the isolated products.

4-5. Radical reaction mechanism.

When the reaction was carried out by using 0.1 eq. of Et_3B , the yield was only 5 %. This result implies the existence of a radical termination step which would interrupt the radical cycle. The proposed radical reaction mechanism is shown in Figure 4-2. Iseki and coworkers proposed a mechanism in the case of Li amide enolates as path **A** in Figure 4-2.^{1b} However, this mechanism does not involve any radical termination step. Based on the fact that Ti has a stable oxidation state Ti(III), we propose a radical termination step as path **B**. In fact, calculated spin density of the Ti(IV) ketyl radical

intermediate has 20% of its spin on the Ti(IV) part^{14,15} to facilitate the elimination of Ti(III) (Figure 4-3).

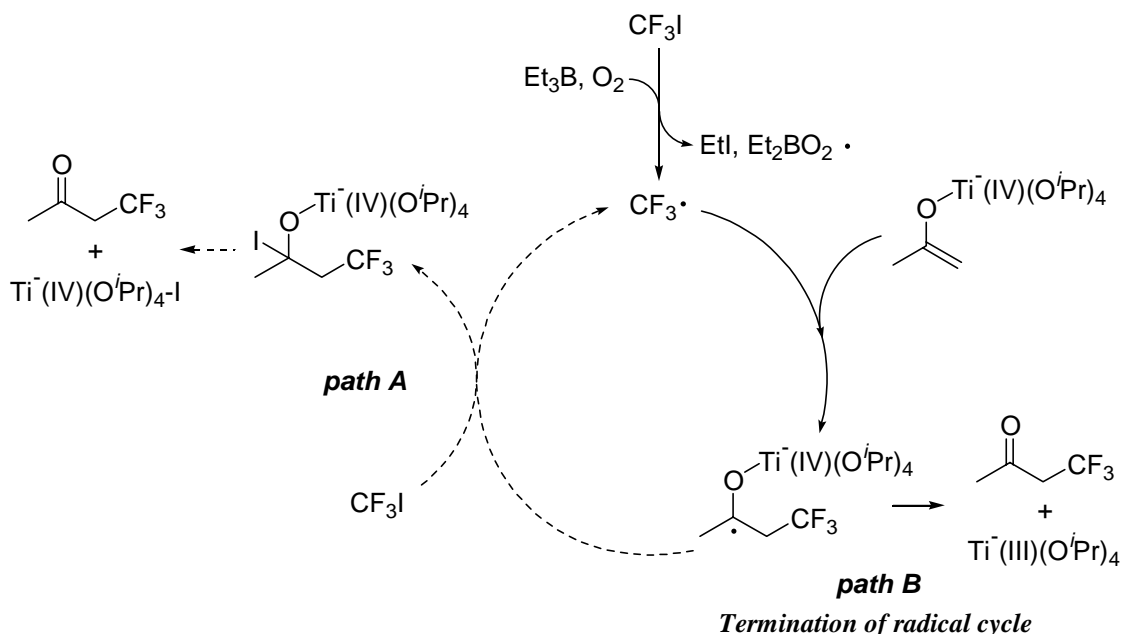


Figure 4-2. Radical reaction mechanism.

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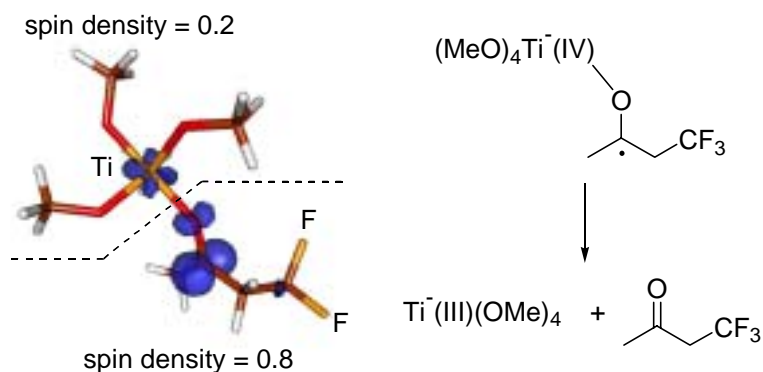


Figure 4-3. Spin density of the Ti(IV) ketyl radical intermediate.

4-6. Conclusion.

In conclusion, the author has developed a radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates. The key to the success is the use of an excess amount of ⁿBuLi, ⁱPr₂NH and Ti(OⁱPr)₄ to generate the Ti ate enolates. A CF₃ substituent can be introduced to various ketones by this method even when quaternary carbon centers are formed. Elimination of Ti(III) from Ti(IV) ketyl radical intermediate is proposed as a termination step of the radical trifluoromethylation. Detailed reaction mechanisms are discussed in Chapter 6.

Experimental Section for Chapter 4

General

^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR were measured on Varian Gemini 2000 (300 MHz) spectrometers and ^{19}F NMR was measured on Varian UNITY INOVA (400 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shift of ^1H NMR was expressed in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane as an internal standard ($\delta=0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{13}C NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from CDCl_3 as an internal standard ($\delta=77.0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{19}F NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from BTF as an internal standard ($\delta=-63.24$) in CDCl_3 . Important NMR data were tabulated in following order: multiplicity (s: singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quartet, quint: quintet, sext: sextet, sept: septet, bs: broad singlet, bd: broad doublet, m: multiplet) and coupling constant (J (Hz)).

IR spectrum was measured on JASCO FT/IR-5000 spectrometer.

EI Mass spectra were measured on Shimazu QP-5000 spectrometer.

Analytical thin layer chromatographies (TLC) were performed on a glass plates and/or aluminum sheets pre-coated with silica gel (Merck Kieselgal 60 F₂₅₄, layer thickness 0.25 and 0.2 mm). Visualization was accomplished by UV light (254 nm), anisaldehyde, KMnO_4 and phosphomolybdic acid.

Column chromatography was performed on Merck Kieselgel 60 and KANTO Silica Gel 60N (spherical, neutral), employing hexane and ethyl acetate as an eluent.

THF and was distilled over benzophenone-ketyl under Ar prior to use.

All experiments were carried out under argon atmosphere unless otherwise noted.

Typical experimental procedure for radical trifluoromethylation of titanium ate enolate.

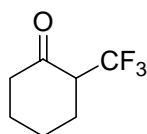
A: Reaction of ketone

To a solution of $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$ (44.9 μl , 0.32 mmol) in THF (2.0 ml) was added $n\text{BuLi}$ (205.1 μl of 1.56 M solution in hexane, 0.32 mmol) at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. The reaction mixture was stirred at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 30 minutes and then cooled to $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. To the solution was added cyclohexanone (**1a**) (20.7 μl , 0.2 mmol) and stirred for 30 minutes at the temperature. Then $\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4$ (94.5 μl , 0.32 mmol) was added to the solution. After stirring for 30 minutes at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$, gaseous CF_3I (ca. 200 mg, ca. 1.0 mmol) was added with a cannula followed by Et_3B (0.2 ml of 1.0 M solution in hexane, 0.2 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 hours at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and then quenched by acetic acid (0.12 ml of 5 M solution in THF) at the temperature. After warming to room temperature, BTF (10 μl , 0.082 mmol) was added as an internal standard. The yield was determined by ^{19}F NMR of the crude mixture (81%) (**3a**).

B: Reaction of silyl enol ether

To a solution of 1-(trimethylsilyloxy)cyclohexene (**4a**) (38.9 μl , 0.2 mmol) in THF (2.0 ml) was added $n\text{BuLi}$ (205.1 μl of 1.56 M solution in hexane, 0.32 mmol) at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and stirred for 20 minutes at the temperature. Next, $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$ (44.9 μl , 0.32 mmol) was added to the solution and stirred for another 20 minutes. Then, the reaction mixture was cooled to $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. To the mixture was added gaseous CF_3I (ca. 200 mg, ca. 1.0 mmol) with a cannula followed by Et_3B (0.2 ml of 1.0 M solution in hexane, 0.2 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 hours at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and then quenched by acetic acid (0.12 ml of 5 M solution in THF) at the temperature. After warming to room temperature, BTF (10 μl , 0.082 mmol) was added as an internal standard. The yield was determined by ^{19}F NMR of the crude mixture (74%) (**3a**).

2-Trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (**3a**)



^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 400 MHz)

δ 1.62~1.88 (m, 3H), 1.92~2.14 (m, 2H), 2.24~2.39 (m, 2H), 2.42~2.53 (m, 1H), 2.98~3.13 (m, 1H) (ppm).

Experimental Section

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 23.7, 27.1, 27.5 (q, $J=2.4$ Hz), 42.2, 53.6(q, $J=25.7$ Hz), 124.6(q, $J=279.5$ Hz), 203.0 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -69.3 (d, 7.9 Hz) (ppm).

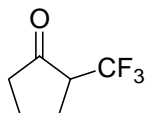
IR (neat)

2954, 2876, 2364, 1729, 1272, 1170, 1125, 1060 (cm^{-1})

EI-MS

$m/z=166$ [M^+].

2-Trifluoromethyl-cyclopentanone (3b)



^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.77~2.00 (m, 1H), 2.01~2.21 (m, 2H), 2.22~2.48 (m, 3H), 2.78~2.97 (qm, $J=9.6$ Hz, 1H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 20.0, 24.4, 38.5, 51.1 (q, $J=26.9$ Hz), 124.6 (q, $J=278.3$ Hz), 209.4 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -67.9 (d, $J=10.5$) (ppm).

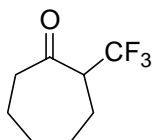
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2986, 2896, 2366, 2344, 1758, 1638, 1367, 1313, 1257, 1187, 1151, 1096, 1046 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=152$ [M^+].

2-Trifluoromethyl-cycloheptanone (3c)



^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.22~1.48 (m, 2H), 1.48~1.75 (m, 2H), 1.86~2.05 (m, 3H), 2.09~2.20 (m, 1H),

2.54~2.61 (m, 2H), 3.16~3.31 (qdd, $J=4.1, 8.9, 11.1$ Hz, 1H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 24.4, 24.7 (q, $J=2.4$ Hz), 27.5, 29.1, 43.1, 55.5 (q, $J=24.5$ Hz), 124.9 (q, $J=280.8$ Hz), 205.9 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -69.0 (d, 9.0 Hz) (ppm).

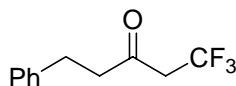
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EI-MS

$m/z=180$ [M^+].

1,1,1-Trifluoro-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (3d)



^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 2.80~3.00 (m, 4H), 3.19 (q, $J=10.2$ Hz, 2H), 7.14~7.35 (m, 5H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 29.2, 44.9, 46.5 (q, $J=28.1$ Hz), 123.5 (q, $J=277.1$ Hz), 126.4, 128.3, 128.6, 140.1, 199.1 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -62.9 (t, $J=10.2$ Hz) (ppm).

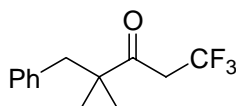
IR (neat)

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EI-MS

$m/z=216$ [M^+].

1,1,1-Trifluoro-4,4-dimethyl-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (3e)



Experimental Section

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.16 (s, 6H), 2.81 (s, 2H), 3.17 (q, $J=9.9$ Hz, 2H), 7.07 (ddd, $J=1.7, 2.1, 6.3$ Hz, 2H), 7.19~7.32 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 23.8, 41.4 (q, $J=28.1$ Hz), 45.3, 48.9, 123.9 (q, $J=277.1$ Hz), 126.8, 128.2, 130.2, 136.8, 205.2 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -63.0 (t, $J=9.8$ Hz) (ppm).

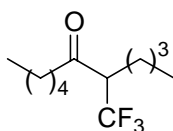
IR (neat)

3034, 2976, 1721, 1369, 1282, 1133, 1100 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=244$ [M^+].

7-Trifluoromethyl-6-undecanone (3f)



^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 0.90 (t, $J=3.9$ Hz, 6H), 1.18~1.41 (m, 8H), 1.53~1.65 (m, 2H), 1.65~1.79 (m, 1H), 1.81~1.97 (m, 1H), 2.47 (dt, $J=18.0, 7.2$ Hz, 1H), 2.61 (dt, $J=7.4, 18.0$ Hz, 1H), 3.11~3.26 (m, 1H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 13.6, 13.8, 22.4, 22.7, 25.59, 25.62, 29.0, 31.1, 43.6, 55.6 (q, $J=24.4$ Hz), 124.9 (q, $J=280.7$ Hz), 204.5 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

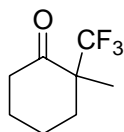
δ -67.4 (d, $J=9.0$ Hz) (ppm).

IR (neat)

2966, 2938, 2870, 1731, 1263, 1164 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=238$ [M^+].

2-Methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (3j)

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.36 (s, 3H), 1.70~2.00 (m, 5H), 2.06~2.20 (m, 1H), 2.35~2.58 (m, 2H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 17.7 (q, $J=2.4$ Hz), 20.5, 26.4, 33.5, 39.4, 53.7 (q, $J=23.2$ Hz), 126.5 (q, $J=283.2$ Hz), 206.2 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

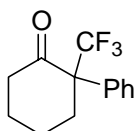
δ -73.6 (s) (ppm).

IR (neat)

2936, 2874, 1725, 1274, 1170, 1137 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=180$ [M^+].

2-Phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (3k)

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.63~1.86 (m, 3H), 1.89~2.00 (m, 1H), 2.12~2.25 (m, 1H), 2.31~2.40 (m, 2H), 2.91 (qd, $J=3.0, 14.4$ Hz, 1H), 7.29~7.35 (m, 2H), 7.35~7.47 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 20.2, 27.4, 29.9 (q, $J=2.4$ Hz), 39.8, 62.2 (q, $J=22.0$ Hz), 125.1 (q, $J=283.2$ Hz), 128.7, 128.8, 129.0, 131.8, 204.7 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -72.9 (s) (ppm).

IR (neat)

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EI-MS

$m/z=242$ [M^+].

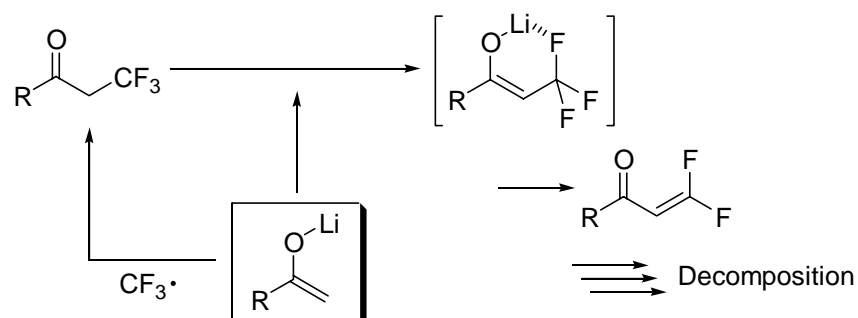
Chapter 5

Radical Trifluoromethylation of Li Enolates

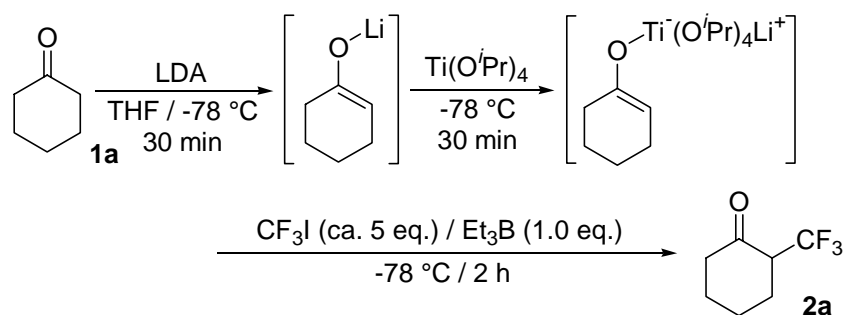
5-1. Introduction.

The α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds are one of the most useful synthetic intermediates for functionalization with CF₃. However, defluorination of the α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds is problematic.¹ This difficulty could also be encountered in radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolates, which is, in principle, the most direct and efficient way to synthesize α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds. It has been widely recognized that highly basic conditions with Li enolates² could not be applied to the trifluoromethylation (Scheme 5-1);³ there are indeed only limited examples especially for ketones.^{3,4,5,6,7} To avoid defluorination of α -CF₃ ketone products, less reactive enolate equivalents such as silyl or germyl enol ethers have been used for radical trifluoromethylation.⁴ Therefore, it usually requires a long reaction time (more than 40 h in the case of ketone). During the course of exploration of the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates (Chapter 4),⁸ the author discovered that Li enolate could be, in fact, employed for radical trifluoromethylation and that the reaction proceeded extremely fast. Facile radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates is reported in this chapter.⁹

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Scheme 5-1.**5-2. Discovery of radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates.**

Radical trifluoromethylation of the Ti ate enolate of cyclohexanone gave 81% yield of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone (Table 5-1, entry 1).⁸ The yield significantly decreased without Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄ (41%, entry 2), presumably because of the decomposition of the α -CF₃ product due to an excess amount of LDA. Surprisingly, the use of just 1.0 eq. of LDA gave 63% yield of the α -CF₃ product (entry 3). Therefore, the radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates was further investigated.

Table 5-1. Radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolate.

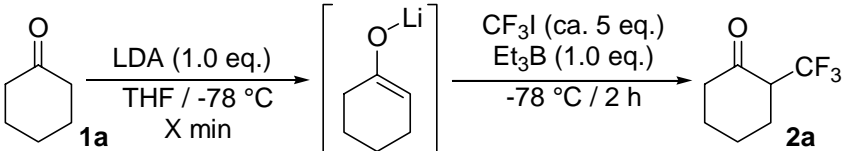
| entry | LDA (eq.) | Ti(O ^{<i>i</i>} Pr) ₄ (eq.) | yield (%) ^a |
|-------|-----------|---|------------------------|
| 1 | 1.6 | 1.6 | 81 |
| 2 | 1.6 | 0 | 41 |
| 3 | 1.0 | 0 | 63 |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

5-3. Optimization of the reaction conditions.

First, preparation time of the Li enolate was investigated (Table 5-2). In the case of the trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates, the Li enolates has to be prepared before transforming to the the Ti ate enolate and the preparation of the Li enolates took only 30 min. It is speculated that the Ti ate enolate is in equilibrium with the parent ketone and the ate complex (LDA/Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄).¹⁰ Therefore, even if the enolization by LDA was not completed in 30 min, enolization by the Ti ate complex (LDA/Ti(O^{*i*}Pr)₄) would take place during the reaction. There is no such equilibrium in the case of the trifluoromethylation of the Li enolates. Therefore, 60 min of the preparation time was necessary to give sufficient yield of the α-CF₃ product (entry 3). Longer preparation time (120 min) was not necessary (entry 4). When the reaction was carried out without radical initiator Et₃B (entry 2), no product was detected and large amount of cyclohexanone was recovered. This result indicates that the reaction had proceeds by a radical mechanism.

Table 5-2. Preparation time of the Li enolate from ketone.



| entry | X (min) | yield (%) ^a |
|----------------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | 30 | 63 |
| 2 ^b | 30 | 0 |
| 3 | 60 | 73 |
| 4 | 120 | 72 |

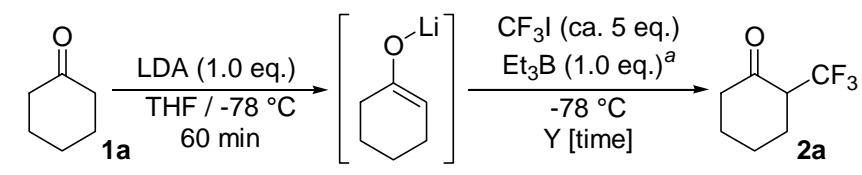
^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

^b The reaction was carried out without Et₃B.

(10) See ref. 8 and Chapter 4.

The radical reaction time was investigated using Li enolate prepared over 60 min (Table 5-3). When the radical trifluoromethylation was carried out in 1 h, the yield was 80% (entry 3). Longer reaction time decreased the yield; the α -CF₃ product was obtained in 62% yield when the reaction was quenched after 13 h (entry 1). This is probably due to the decomposition of the α -CF₃ product when exposed to the basic condition for prolonged period of time. Shorter reaction time did not affect the yield; Even the ~1 s reaction gave the α -CF₃ product in 81 % yield (entry 5).¹¹ Compared to the radical trifluoromethylation of the Ti ate enolate, which took 2 h to give 81% yield, the reaction of Li enolate is extremely fast.

Table 5-3. Investigation of the trifluoromethylation time of the enolate prepared from ketone.



| entry | reaction time Y | yield (%) ^b |
|-------|-----------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 13 h | 62 |
| 2 | 2 h | 73 |
| 3 | 1 h | 80 |
| 4 | 1 min | 83 |
| 5 | ~1 s | 81 |

^a Et₃B was added in flat 15 s.

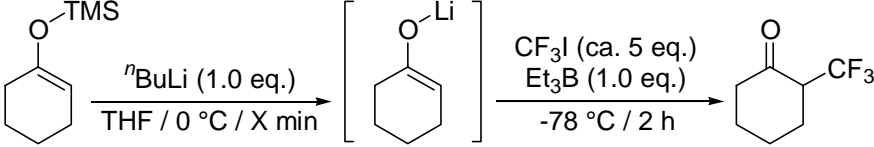
^b Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

(11) For accuracy, Et₃B was added in flat 15 s and the reaction time was counted from the time when the addition of Et₃B was completed.

5-4. Radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates prepared from silyl enol ether.

By using LDA for the formation of Li enolate, only kinetic enolate could be formed. However, thermodynamic Li enolate could also be generated by treatment of the corresponding silyl enol ether with 1.0 eq. of $n\text{BuLi}^{12}$ to give the regioisomeric $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ product. From this synthetic point of view, radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates prepared from silyl enol ether was explored. First, preparation time of Li enolate from silyl enol ether was investigated (Table 5-4). From Table 5-4, the yields of the $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ product did not change among the preparation time investigated. This indicates that silyl-to-lithium transmetallation is completed within 15 min. However, 30 min was adopted to make sure that the transmetallation was finished.

Table 5-4. Preparation time of the Li enolate from silyl enol ether.



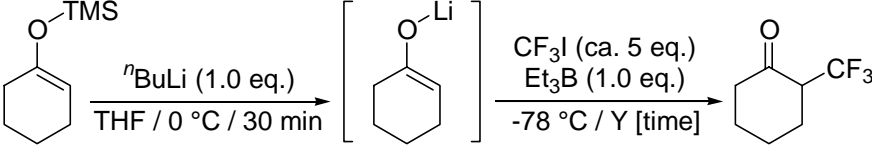
| entry | X (min) | yield (%) ^a |
|-------|---------|------------------------|
| 1 | 15 | 77 |
| 2 | 30 | 77 |
| 3 | 60 | 74 |
| 4 | 120 | 74 |

^a Determined by ^{19}F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

(12) (a) Stork, G.; Hudrlik, P. F. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1968**, *90*, 4462-4464. (b) Stork, G.; Hudrlik, P. F. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1968**, *90*, 4464-4465.

As in the case of Li enolate prepared from ketone and LDA, radical reaction time of the Li enolate prepared from the silyl enol ether and n BuLi was investigated (Table 5-5). In sharp contrast to the ketone/LDA method, the maximum yield was given at 2 h reaction time (entry 2, 77% yield). Shorter reaction time decreases the yield and ~1 s reaction time gave only 34 % of the α -CF₃ product. In order to use the same condition for the ketone/LDA method, the reaction was carried out in the presence of i Pr₂NH (entry 5). However, it did not affect the reaction. The difference between those two methods is not clear so far. However, it can be said that 2 h of reaction time is required for the silyl-to-lithium method.

Table 5-5. Investigation of the trifluoromethylation time of the enolate prepared from silyl enol ether.



| entry | reaction time Y | yield (%) ^a |
|----------------|-----------------|------------------------|
| 1 | 13 h | 52 |
| 2 | 2 h | 77 |
| 3 | 30 min | 67 |
| 4 | ~1 s | 34 |
| 5 ^b | ~1 s | 36 |

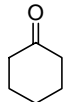
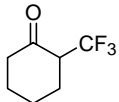
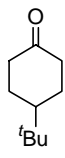
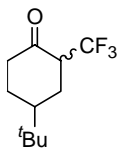
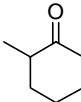
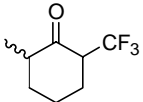
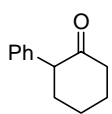
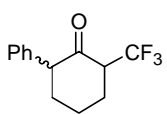

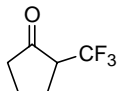
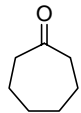
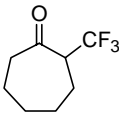
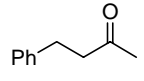
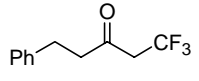
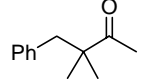
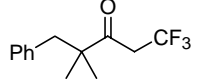
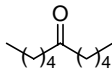
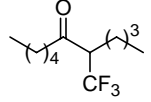
^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

^b i Pr₂NH was added before the addition of CF₃I and stirred for 20 min at 0 °C.

5-5. Radical trifluoromethylation of various Li enolates.

A variety of ketonic substrates were investigated using LDA to generate Li enolate (Table 5-6). In the case of cyclohexanone (entry 1), and 4- t Bu (entry 2), 2-Me (entry 3), 2-Ph (entry 4) cyclohexanones, the reactions proceeded with extremely fast reaction rates and provided the α -CF₃ products in fair to good yield. The reaction rates of cyclopentanone (entry 5) and cycloheptanone (entry 6) were relatively slow (5 min). For acyclic substrates (entries 7, 8, and 9), the yields were poor. Ester and amide were also investigated but did not give the α -CF₃ products at all. From these results, cyclohexanone derivatives are most suitable substrate for this reaction system.

Table 5-6. Radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates prepared from ketone and LDA.
$$\text{R}^1\text{-C(=O)-CH}_2\text{-R}^2 \xrightarrow[\text{THF / -78 }^\circ\text{C / 60 min}]{\text{LDA (1.0 eq.)}} \left[\text{R}^1\text{-C(O}^-\text{Li}^+\text{)=CH-R}^2 \right] \xrightarrow[\text{-78 }^\circ\text{C / 2 h}]{\text{CF}_3\text{I (ca. 5 eq.) / Et}_3\text{B (1.0 eq.)}^a} \text{R}^1\text{-C(=O)-CH(R}^2\text{)-CF}_3$$

| entry | substrate | product | reaction time | yield (%) ^b |
|-------|---|---|---------------|------------------------|
| 1 |  |  | ~1 s | 81 |
| 2 |  |  | ~1 s | 71 (67) [73:27] |
| 3 |  |  | ~1 s | 74 [57:43] |
| 4 |  |  | ~1 s | 43 (40) [57:43] |
| 5 |  |  | 5 min | 40 |
| 6 |  |  | 5 min | 48 |
| 7 |  |  | 5 min | 25 |
| 8 |  |  | 5 min | 17 |
| 9 |  |  | 1 min | 35 |

^a Et₃B was added in flat 15 s.^b Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard. The values in () refer to the yields of isolated products. The values in [] are the diastereomeric ratio.

The Li enolates prepared by the silyl-to-lithium transmetalation method were also investigated for the most suitable cyclohexanone derivatives (Table 5-7). α -Me and α -Ph substituted substrates provided the products, which bear quaternary carbon center attached with CF_3 , in fair yields (entries 2, and 3).

Table 5-7. Radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates prepared from silyl enol ether and $n\text{BuLi}$.

$$\text{R}^1\text{C}(\text{O-TMS})=\text{C}(\text{R}^2)\text{R}^3 \xrightarrow[\text{THF} / 0^\circ\text{C} / 30 \text{ min}]{n\text{BuLi} (1.0 \text{ eq.})} \left[\text{R}^1\text{C}(\text{O-Li})=\text{C}(\text{R}^2)\text{R}^3 \right]$$

$$\xrightarrow[-78^\circ\text{C} / 2 \text{ h}]{\text{CF}_3\text{I} (\text{ca. } 5 \text{ eq.}) / \text{Et}_3\text{B} (1.0 \text{ eq.})^a} \text{R}^1\text{C}(=\text{O})\text{C}(\text{CF}_3)(\text{R}^2)\text{R}^3$$

| entry | substrate | product | yield (%) |
|-------|----------------------------|---------------|-----------|
| 1 | 1a' | 2a | 77 |
| 2 | 1j'^c | 2j | 58 |
| 3 | 1k'^d | 2k | 45 (45) |

^a Et_3B was added in flat 15 s.

^b Determined by ^{19}F NMR using BTF as an internal standard. The values in () refer to the yields of isolated products.

^c Silyl enol ether of α -Me cyclohexanone consists of thermodynamic and kinetic enol ethers (87:13).

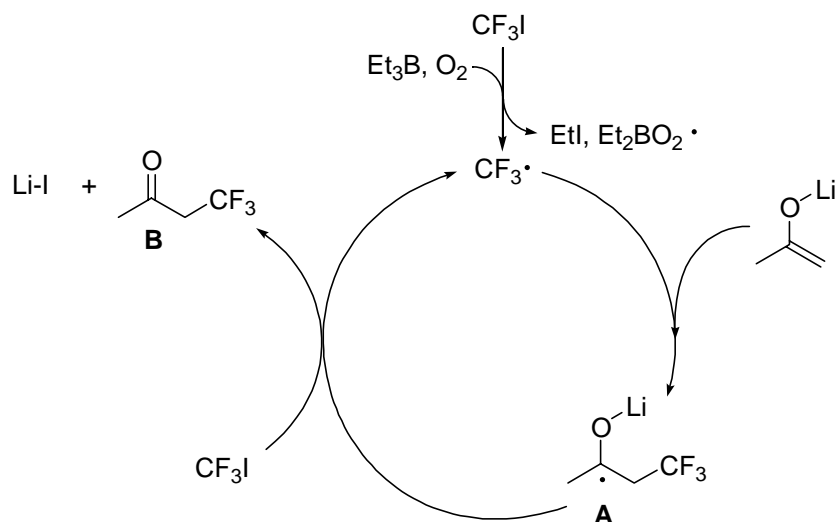
^d Silyl enol ether of α -Ph cyclohexanone consists of only thermodynamic enol ether.

Considering the facts that the reaction did not proceed without Et_3B (Table 5-2, entry 2), and that CF_3I does not react in an $\text{S}_{\text{N}}2$ -type trifluoromethylation,¹³ a radical reaction mechanism is proposed for the trifluoromethylation of Li enolates (Scheme

(13) In sharp contrast to normal alkyl halides, perfluoroalkyl halides cannot undergo nucleophilic alkylation, because the electronegativities of perfluoroalkyl groups are higher than those of halogens. Thus the polarization of perfluoroalkyl halides is as $\text{R}_f^{\delta-}-\text{I}^{\delta+}$ and treatment with nucleophile could not produce $\text{R}_f\text{-Nu}$. (a) Huheey, J. E. *J. Phys. Chem.* **1965**, *69*, 3284-3291. (b) Yoshida, M.; Kamigata, N *J. Fluorine Chem.* **1990**, *49*, 1-20.

5-2).^{3b} The CF_3 radical is generated by Et_3B and goes on to react with Li enolate. The radical intermediate (**A**) then reacts with another CF_3I to reproduce the CF_3 radical along with the formation of the $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ product (**B**).¹⁴

Scheme 5-2.



5-6. Conclusion.

In summary, the author has discovered that highly basic Li enolates can be employed for radical trifluoromethylation. The reaction rate is extremely fast compared to the previous radical trifluoromethylation. The direct use of Li enolate as a substrate is simpler and faster than that of Ti ate enolates or any other previous methods.

Detailed reaction mechanisms are described theoretically in Chapter 6.

(14) When Et_3B was used in 20 mol%, the product was obtained in 75% yield. This indicates the involvement of chain-propagation step.

Experimental Section for Chapter 5

General

^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR were measured on Varian Gemini 2000 (300 MHz) spectrometers and ^{19}F NMR was measured on Varian UNITY INOVA (400 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shift of ^1H NMR was expressed in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane as an internal standard ($\delta=0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{13}C NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from CDCl_3 as an internal standard ($\delta=77.0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{19}F NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from BTF as an internal standard ($\delta=-63.24$) in CDCl_3 . Important NMR data were tabulated in following order: multiplicity (s: singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quartet, quint: quintet, sext: sextet, sept: septet, bs: broad singlet, bd: broad doublet, m: multiplet) and coupling constant (J (Hz)).

IR spectrum was measured on JASCO FT/IR-5000 spectrometer.

EI Mass spectra were measured on Shimazu QP-5000 spectrometer.

Analytical thin layer chromatographies (TLC) were performed on a glass plates and/or aluminum sheets pre-coated with silica gel (Merck Kieselgal 60 F₂₅₄, layer thickness 0.25 and 0.2 mm). Visualization was accomplished by UV light (254 nm), anisaldehyde, KMnO_4 and phosphomolybdic acid.

Column chromatography was performed on Merck Kieselgel 60 and KANTO Silica Gel 60N (spherical, neutral), employing hexane and ethyl acetate as an eluent.

THF was distilled over benzophenone-ketyl under Ar prior to use.

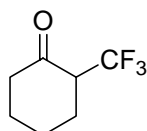
All experiments were carried out under argon atmosphere unless otherwise noted.

Typical experimental procedure of radical trifluoromethylation for lithium enolate**A: Reaction of ketone**

To a solution of $i\text{Pr}_2\text{NH}$ (28.0 μl , 0.20 mmol) in THF (2.0 ml) was added $n\text{BuLi}$ (126.3 μl of 1.58 M solution in hexane, 0.20 mmol) at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. The reaction mixture was stirred at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ for 30 minutes and then cooled to $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. To the solution was added cyclohexanone (**1a**) (20.7 μl , 0.2 mmol) and stirred for 60 minutes at the temperature. Then, gaseous CF_3I (ca. 200 mg, ca. 1.0 mmol) was added with a cannula. Next, a syringe, which was filled with 0.12 ml of 5M solution of acetic acid in THF, was set to the reaction vessel and kept untouched till quenching the reaction. Then Et_3B (0.2 ml of 1.0 M solution in hexane, 0.2 mmol) was added in flat 15 s to start the radical addition reaction. The reaction mixture was immediately quenched (in ~ 1 s) by acetic acid solution, which was set beforehand, at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. After warming to room temperature, BTF (10 μl , 0.082 mmol) was added as an internal standard. The yield was determined by ^{19}F NMR of the crude mixture (81% (**2a**)).

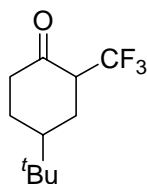
B: Reaction of silyl enol ether

To a solution of 1-(trimethylsilyloxy)cyclohexene (**1a'**) (38.9 μl , 0.2 mmol) in THF (2.0 ml) was added $n\text{BuLi}$ (128.2 μl of 1.56 M solution in hexane, 0.20 mmol) at $0\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and stirred for 30 minutes at the temperature. Then, the reaction mixture was cooled to $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. To the mixture was added gaseous CF_3I (ca. 200 mg, ca. 1.0 mmol) with a cannula followed by Et_3B (0.2 ml of 1.0 M solution in hexane, 0.2 mmol). The reaction mixture was stirred for 2 hours at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$ and then quenched by acetic acid (0.12 ml of 5 M solution in THF) at $-78\text{ }^\circ\text{C}$. After warming to room temperature, BTF (10 μl , 0.082 mmol) was added as an internal standard. The yield was determined by ^{19}F NMR of the crude mixture (77% (**2a**)).

2-Trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (2a)

See Chapter 4, **3a**.

4-Tertiarybutyl-2-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (2b)



Major isomer

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 0.94 (s, 9H), 1.42~1.68 (m, 3H), 2.18~2.20 (m, 1H), 2.26~2.42 (m, 2H), 2.44~2.56 (m, 1H), 3.00~3.16 (m, 1H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 27.5, 28.1, 28.6, 32.5, 41.7, 46.1, 53.0 (q, $J=25.7$ Hz), 124.6 (q, $J=279.6$ Hz), 203.2 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -69.7 (d, $J=7.9$ Hz) (ppm).

IR (KBr)

2970, 2878, 1734, 1392, 1369, 1274, 1170, 1120, 1067 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

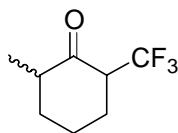
$m/z=222$ [M^+].

Minor isomer (Isonerization was observed during isolation. Therefore, only ^{19}F NMR data, which was taken from the ^{19}F NMR data of the crude reaction mixture, could be shown)

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -66.1 (d, $J=10.5$ Hz) (ppm).

2-Methyl-6-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (2c)



Major isomer

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.03 (d, $J=6.3$ Hz, 3H), 1.34~1.49 (m, 1H), 1.63~1.87 (m, 2H), 1.88~2.03 (m, 1H),

2.08~2.19 (m, 1H), 2.30~2.49 (m, 2H), 2.98~3.16 (m, 1H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 13.8, 24.0, 28.3, 36.3, 45.9, 53.7 (q, $J=25.7$ Hz), 124.8 (q, $J=279.5$ Hz), 204.6 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -69.8 (d, $J=8.3$ Hz) (ppm).

IR (neat)

2942, 2874, 2366, 1731, 1456, 1392, 1332, 1272, 1170, 1137, 1123, 1038, 832, 688 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=180$ [M^+]

Minor isomer

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.11 (d, $J=6.6$ Hz, 3H), 1.46~2.21 (m, 6H), 2.57~2.71 (m, 1H), 3.07~3.22 (m, 1H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 15.0, 20.2, 26.9, 29.6, 34.2, 44.5, 52.3 (q, $J=25.7$), 125.2 (q, $J=280.7$ Hz), 206.3 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -66.7 (d, $J=10.2$ Hz) (ppm).

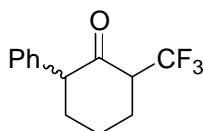
IR (neat)

2928, 2858, 2364, 2344, 1725, 1458, 1265, 1143, 801 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=180$ [M^+]

2-Phenyl-6-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (2d)



Major isomer

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.83~2.21 (m, 4H), 2.28~2.40 (m, 1H), 2.40~2.56 (m, 1H), 3.16~3.35 (m, 1H), 3.56~3.68 (dd, $J=5.4, 12.6$ Hz, 1H), 7.11~7.17 (m, 2H), 7.25~7.40 (m, 3H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

Experimental Section

δ 24.2, 28.3, 35.6, 54.1 (q, $J=25.6$ Hz), 57.8, 124.6 (q, $J=280.8$ Hz), 127.4, 128.4, 128.8, 137.0, 201.6 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -69.6 (d, $J=7.9$ Hz) (ppm).

IR (KBr)

3036, 2946, 2872, 1722, 1605, 1452, 1385, 1270, 1168, 1133, 1045, 761, 704, 592 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=242$ [M^+]

Minor isomer

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.86~2.28 (m, 5H), 2.37~2.52 (m, 1H), 3.12~3.30 (dq, $J=6.0, 9.3$ Hz, 1H), 3.82~3.92 (distorted t, $J=6.3$ Hz, 1H), 7.17~7.43 (m, 5H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 20.4, 27.4, 31.3, 52.0 (q, $J=26.9$ Hz), 55.1, 125.1 (q, $J=280.8$ Hz), 127.4, 127.6, 129.0, 136.7, 203.5 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -67.9 (d, $J=9.0$ Hz) (ppm)

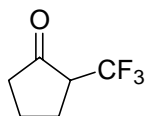
IR (neat)

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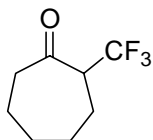
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2-Trifluoromethyl-cyclopentanone (2e)



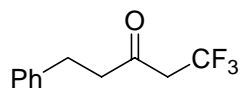
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2-Trifluoromethyl-cycloheptanone (2f)



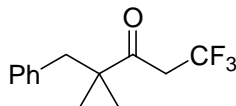
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1,1,1-Trifluoro-5-phenyl-3-pentanone (2g)



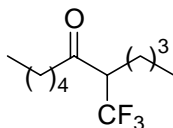
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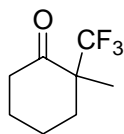
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7-Trifluoromethyl-6-undecanone (2i)



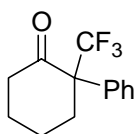
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2-Methyl-2-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (2j)



See Chapter 4, **3j**.

2-Phenyl-2-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (2k)



See Chapter 4, **3k**.

Chapter 6

Experimental and Theoretical Studies on Radical Trifluoromethylation Mechanisms of Ti Ate and Li Enolates

6-1. Introduction.

Introducing CF_3 group by CF_3 radical addition to enolates is one of the most straightforward and effective ways to obtain $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds. The author investigated the radical trifluoromethylation of enolates; the use of Ti ate enolates¹ and Li enolates² turned out to be an efficient way to synthesize $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ ketone (Chapter 4 and 5). Except for the author's report, there is only one example of the radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates of sterically demanding imides to retard defluorination by Iseki and co-workers.^{3,4} For Li enolates, they proposed a radical mechanism (Figure 6-1). However, in our investigation of the amount of radical initiator (Et_3B), interesting results were obtained in terms of the relationship between the amount of Et_3B and the product yield critically depending on the metals on enolates. The author herein reports the experimental and theoretical studies on the mechanism to clarify the difference in the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate and Li enolates.

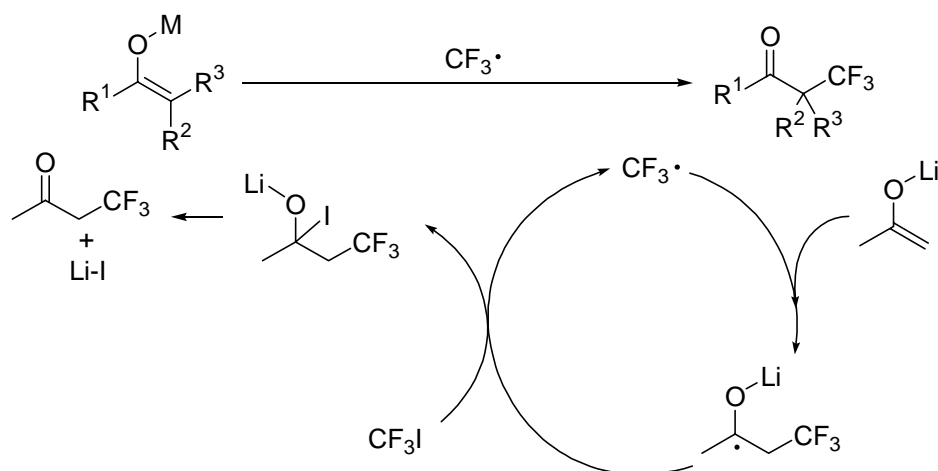


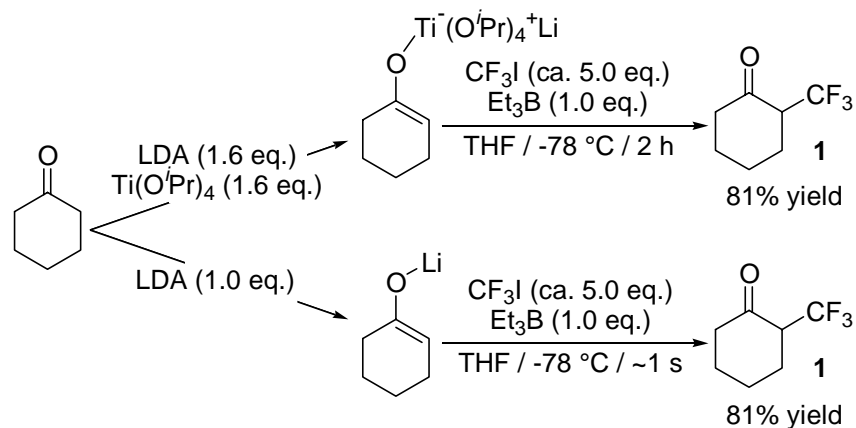
Figure 6-1. Previously proposed mechanism of the radical trifluoromethylation of Li enolates.

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- (4) Other examples of radical trifluoromethylation of enolate equivalents. (a) Perfluoroalkylation of silyl and germyl enol ethers of esters and ketones. Perfluoroalkylation of silyl enol ethers provided the products in good yields except for trifluoromethylation. Trifluoromethylation of ketone germyl enol ethers proceeds in good yield: (i) Miura, K.; Taniguchi, M.; Nozaki, K.; Oshima, K.; Utimoto, K. *Tetrahedron Lett.* **1990**, *31*, 6391-6394. (ii) Miura, K.; Takeyama, Y.; Oshima, K.; Utimoto, K. *Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn.* **1991**, *64*, 1542-1553. (b) Trifluoromethylation of enamines: (i) Cantacuzène, D.; Wakselman, C.; Dorme, R. *J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1* **1977**, 1365-1371. (ii) Kitazume, T.; Ishikawa, N. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1985**, *107*, 5186-5191.

6-2. Experimental Study.

Radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates¹ and Li enolates² are reported in Chapter 4 and 5 to provide the α -CF₃ product in good yield (Scheme 6-1).

Scheme 6-1



In investigating the amount of radical initiator (Et₃B), interesting results were obtained. The relationship between the amount of Et₃B and the product yield were shown in Figure 6-2. In the case of Ti ate enolates, the yields gradually decreased along with the amount of Et₃B decreased under the reaction conditions (LDA=Ti(OⁱPr)₄=1.0 eq. and 1.6 eq.).⁵ In sharp contrast, this is not the case with Li enolates; the α -CF₃ product could be obtained in good yield (71%) even when the amount of Et₃B was reduced to 5 mol%. This indicates that radical cycle does not work well for Ti ate enolate but does works well for Li enolate.

(5) It is speculated that the Ti ate enolate is in equilibrium with the parent ketone and ate complex (LDA/Ti(OⁱPr)₄). Although Ti ate enolate could be generated by using LDA=Ti(OⁱPr)₄=1.0 eq., excess amount of LDA and Ti(OⁱPr)₄ (LDA=Ti(OⁱPr)₄=1.6 eq.) increases the yield of the α -CF₃ product probably due to the equilibrium shift to the Ti ate enolate. See ref.1 and Chapter 4.

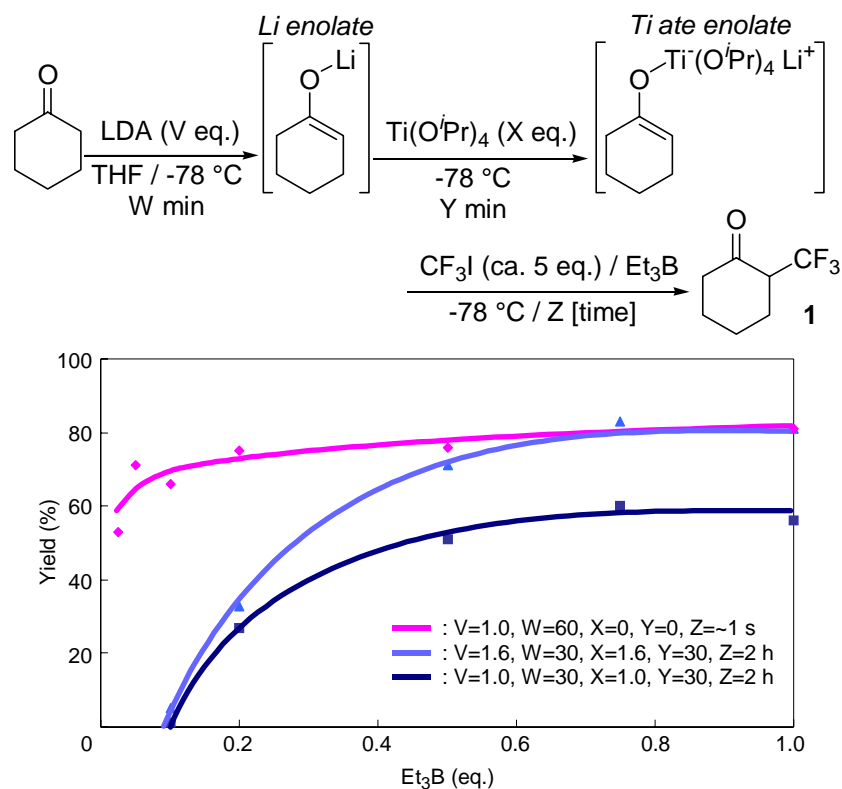


Figure 6-2. Relationship between the amount of the Et₃B and the yields.

Considering the fact that Ti has two stable oxidation states (III and IV), two reaction mechanisms could be proposed (Figure 6-3). First, the CF₃ radical goes on to react with enolate (Step (1)). From the radical adduct (**2**), one possibility is Path A; elimination of metal from ketyl radical intermediate **2** by reducing its oxidation number by one along with the formation of the α-CF₃ product (Step (2)). Regeneration of CF₃ radical can be achieved by the reaction of CF₃I with the metal (Step (3)). Another possibility is Path B, which is similar to Scheme 6-1; the ketyl radical intermediate **2** directly react with CF₃I to regenerate CF₃ radical along with α-CF₃ product (Step (4)).

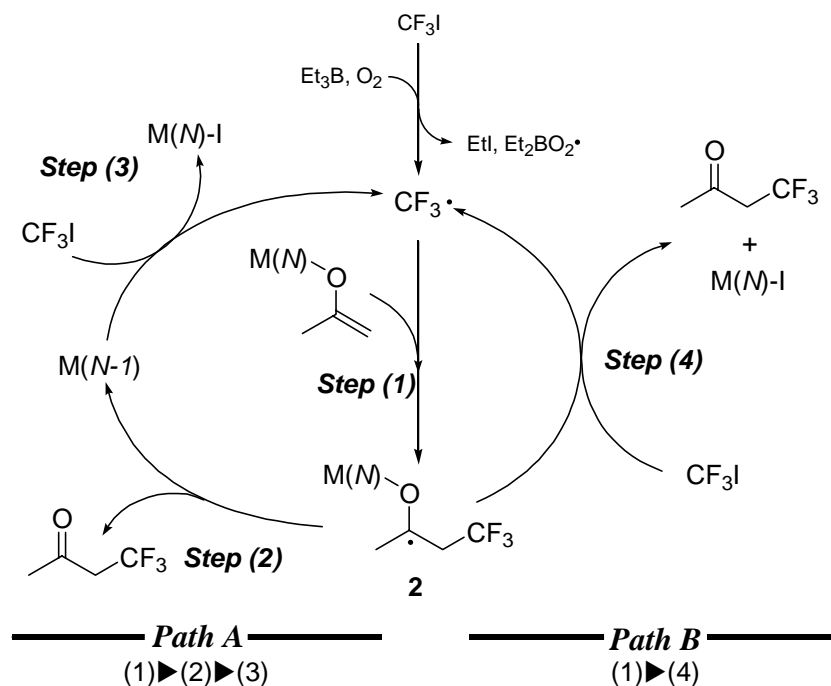


Figure 6-3. Proposed CF_3 radical addition mechanism.

Computational studies were thus carried out to evaluate the reaction mechanism and uncover the origin of the difference of the reactions between Ti ate and Li enolate.

6-3. Theoretical Study.

6-3-1. Chemical Models.

For computational efficiency, lack of precise structural information on the reactive intermediate, and our qualitative goal, several simplifications were adopted; (1) Ignore Li^+ in Ti ate enolate.⁶ (2) Adopt Ti methoxide instead of the actually used Ti isopropoxide. (3) Ignore aggregation.^{7,8} (4) Adopt acetone as a substrate.

(6) When the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates were carried out in the presence of 12-crown-4, the yield did not change in any significant amount (1,1,1-trifluoro-4,4-dimethyl-5-phenyl-3-pentanone was used as a substrate. Ti ate enolate was prepared by $\text{LDA}=\text{Ti}(\text{O}^i\text{Pr})_4=1.0$ eq. condition. The reaction was carried out at -78°C for 2 h. The chemical yields were 52% (without 12-crown-4) and 53% (with 12-crown-4)). This could be the rationale for the computational model which ignored Li^+ in Ti ate enolate.

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It is very important to consider the solvent, since all the reactions were carried out in THF. There are empty site available on the metal for the coordination of THF to stabilize both the intermediate and the transition state. The usual maximum coordination number is four for Li and six for Ti. Therefore, in preliminary study, stabilization energies of the Li radical, Li^+ , $\text{Ti}^{\text{III}}(\text{OMe})_4$, and $\text{Ti}(\text{IV})(\text{OMe})_4$ were investigated with dimethyl ether (Table 6-1~4). All the structures were optimized at UB3LYP/631+LAN (LANL2DZ for Ti, 6-31+G* for others) level (ΔE). Gibbs free energies (ΔG) contain zero-point, thermal and entropy effects at 298.15 K and 1 atm pressure. In the case of Li, both radicals and cations are stabilized by coordination of ethers (Table 6-1, and 2). One exception is ΔG of Li radical; the first and second ethers stabilized the system but third and fourth ethers raised the energies though in small value (Table 6-1, entries 3 and 4). This effect is due to the entropy effect. On the other hand, in the case of Ti, there was no stabilization by the coordination of ether (Table 6-3, and 4). When the optimization was started with one ether, the ether fall apart along with the optimization in both the Ti^{III} and $\text{Ti}(\text{IV})$ cases. When the optimization was started with two ethers, hexacoordinated Ti complex was optimized. But the energy was higher compared with the non-coordinated species.

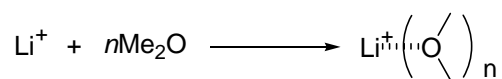
From these results, solvated models were constructed by the following conditions; (1) Maximum allowed numbers of ether were attached to Li species. (2) Solvated models were not considered for Ti species.

Table 6-1. Stabilization of Li radical by solvation.

$$\cdot\text{Li} + n\text{Me}_2\text{O} \longrightarrow \cdot\text{Li}\left(\text{O}\left(\text{Me}\right)_2\right)_n$$

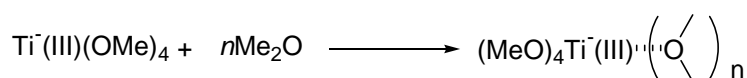
| n | ΔE (kcal/mol) | ΔG (kcal/mol) |
|-------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| 0 (3) | 0 | 0 |
| 1 (4) | -11.3 | -3.9 |
| 2 (5) | -19.8 | -2.6 |
| 3 (6) | -27.3 | 1.7 |
| 4 (7) | -35.3 | 6.4 |

Table 6-2. Stabilization of Li⁺ by solvation.



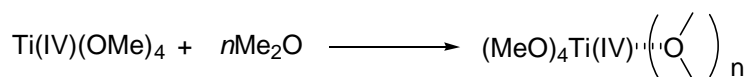
| n | ΔE (kcal/mol) | ΔG (kcal/mol) |
|-----------------|---------------|---------------|
| 0 (8) | 0 | 0 |
| 1 (9) | -39.6 | -31.5 |
| 2 (10) | -73.2 | -54.3 |
| 3 (11) | -95.8 | -65.4 |
| 4 (12) | -109.4 | -67.3 |

Table 6-3. Stabilization of Ti(III)(OMe)₄ by solvation.



| n | ΔE (kcal/mol) | ΔG (kcal/mol) |
|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 0 (13) | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | - | - |
| 2 (14 ⁹) | 25.9 | 40.4 |

Table 6-4. Stabilization of Ti(IV)(OMe)₄ by solvation.



| n | ΔE (kcal/mol) | ΔG (kcal/mol) |
|-------------------------------|---------------|---------------|
| 0 (15) | 0 | 0 |
| 1 | - | - |
| 2 (16 ¹⁰) | 11.8 | 42.3 |

(9) The structure **14** has imaginary frequency (-8 cm⁻¹) corresponding to vibration of ether.

(10) The structure **16** has imaginary frequencies (-35, -28 cm⁻¹) corresponding to vibration of ether.

6-3-2. Computational Methods.

All the calculations were performed with GAUSSIAN 03 program package.¹¹ All the structures were optimized at UB3LYP/631+LAN (LANL2DZ for Ti, I, 6-31+G* for others)^{12,13} level (ΔE). Then the energies were recalculated in the presence of dielectric field (THF, $\epsilon=7.58$) as described by the C-PCM (COSMO (conductor-like screening model)) model¹⁴ at UB3LYP/6311+LAN (LANL2DZ for Ti, I, 6-311+G* for others) level ($\Delta E(\text{sol})$). The energies shown in this report are Gibbs free energies and thus contain zero-point, thermal and entropy effects at 195.15 K (-78 °C: actual reaction temperature) and 1 atm pressure ($\Delta G(\text{sol}, -78)$) unless otherwise noted. The natural charges were calculated by the natural population analysis¹⁵ at the same level of the theory as the one used for geometry optimization.

To evaluate the calculation method, electron affinities (EA) of CF₃I (neutral: **17**, anion radical: **18**) and benzophenone (neutral: **19**, anion radical: **20**) were calculated and compared with the experimental values (Table 6-5). The structures were optimized at UB3LYP/631+LAN level and energies were recalculated by UB3LYP/6311+LAN level using the optimized geometry. Calculated EA was comparable to the experimental value. Therefore, adopted calculation level should give reasonable energetics.

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Table 6-5. Calculated and experimental value of electron affinity of CF₃I and benzophenone.

| | Method and basis set ^a | EA (eV) | |
|-------------------|-----------------------------------|---------|------------------------|
| | | Calc. | Exp. |
| CF ₃ I | UB3LYP/631+LAN | 1.57 | 1.57±0.2 ¹⁶ |
| | UB3LYP/6311+LAN | 1.58 | |
| benzophenone | UB3LYP/631+LAN | 0.69 | 0.62±0.1 ¹⁷ |
| | UB3LYP/6311+LAN | 0.71 | |

^a All the structures were optimized at UB3LYP/631+LAN level.

6-4. Step (1)

6-4-1. Step (1)-Ti.

As shown in Figure 6-4, CF₃ radical addition to Ti ate enolate is an exothermic reaction (-28.0 kcal/mol). Transition state calculation was also tried, but could not be optimized (no saddle point could be found). This reaction might proceed without significant energy barrier.

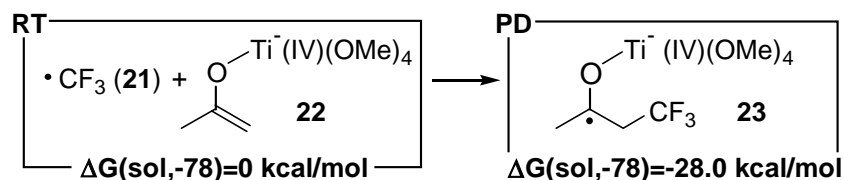


Figure 6-4. Step (1) Ti: CF₃ radical addition to Ti ate enolate.

6-4-2. Step (1)-Li.

The energetics for the reaction without solvent were shown in Figure 6-5. The reaction was exothermic (-22.3 kcal/mol). This value is slightly smaller than in the case of Ti. The structure of the product has an intramolecular coordination with fluorine. Transition state calculation was also tried, but could not be optimized (no saddle point could be found). Instead, transition state could be optimized by using UHF/6-31+G* level theory. At present level of theory, the reaction has no significant barrier.

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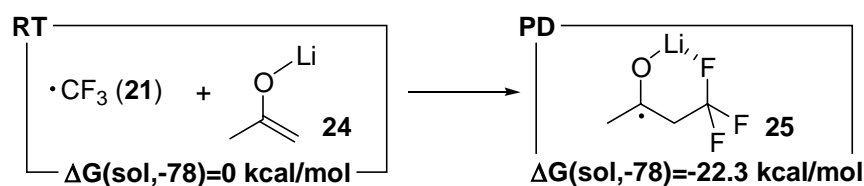


Figure 6-5. Step (1) Li: CF₃ radical addition to Li enolate (without solvent).

Without solvent, coordination number of Li changes from one to two during the reaction. The Li on the product should have maximum coordination (four) to gain the highest stabilization by coordination. There are two possible product structures for four coordinated Li. One structure has three ethers and the other has two ethers and intramolecular coordination with fluorine. Energies of these structures were compared in Figure 6-6 and it was found that **26** without Li-F coordination is less stable than **27** in terms of $\Delta G(\text{sol})$. However, when the optimization of **26** was started with Li-F coordination, Li and F gradually fall apart and the energy of **26** is more stable than **27** in terms of $\Delta E(\text{sol})$.¹⁸ Since the initial product of Step (1) is **26**, it could be concluded that initial product **26** will soon form **27** to stabilize the system.

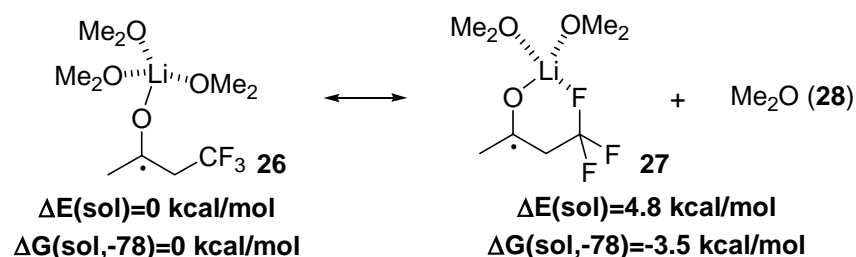


Figure 6-6. Comparison of the radical intermediate with or without Li-F coordination.

There are three vacant sites on Li in the substrate. Therefore, three ethers were attached to the substrate.¹⁹ The energetics for solvated model of Step (1) is shown in Figure 6-7. The reaction was also exothermic (-26.5 kcal/mol) and this value is almost the same as in the case of Ti.

(18) This energy was obtained by UB3LYP/6-311+G**/UB3LYP/6-31+G* level theory. Single point energy calculation was carried out in the presence of dielectric field (THF, $\epsilon=7.58$), as described by the C-PCM model.

(19) Although it is known that π -enolate could be optimized and some times it is more stable than O-enolate in the case without solvent, O-enolate was adopted since non-solvated model is far from realistic model compared to solvated model. Getting further into non-solvated model is worthless in this study. See ref. 8-(d).

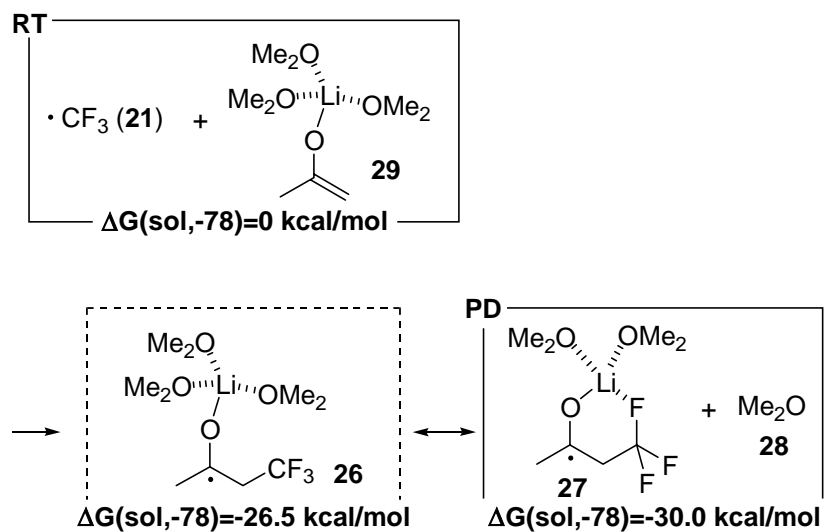


Figure 6-7. Step (1) Li: CF_3 radical addition to Li enolate (with solvent).

6-4-3. Step (1)-naked enolate.

Energetics for naked enolate were also calculated (Figure 6-8). Again, the reaction was exothermic (-24.9 kcal/mol) in about the same value to the other enolates.

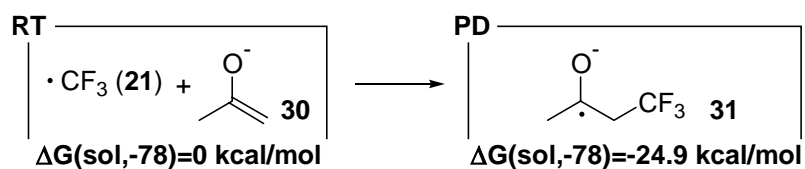
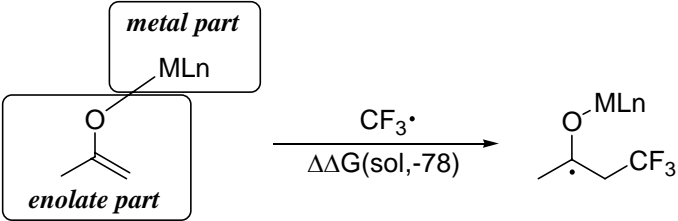


Figure 6-8. Step (1) no metal: CF_3 radical addition to naked enolate.

This phenomenon could be rationalized by charge distribution. Charge distribution of enolates was calculated by natural population analysis. They are listed in Table 6-6. All the enolate including naked enolate has its charge on enolate part for more than -0.7. This means that metal on the enolate is almost separated and leave the enolate almost naked. In the Step (1), there is apparently no difference between Li and Ti.

Table 6-6. Charge distribution of enolates.



| | Natural charge | | $\Delta\Delta G(\text{sol},-78)$ (kcal/mol) |
|--|----------------|---------|--|
| | Metal | Enolate | |
| Ti ate enolate (22) | -0.30 | -0.70 | -28.0 |
| Li enolate without solvent (24) | 0.96 | -0.96 | -22.3 |
| Li enolate with three solvents (29) | 0.94 | -0.94 | -26.5 |
| Naked enolate (30) | 0 | -1 | -24.9 |

6-5. Step (2).

6-5-1. Step (2)-Ti.

The energetics of Step (2) including all possible equilibrium of the product are shown in Figure 6-9. Transition state was also optimized and is shown together in Figure 6-9. The activation free energy was relatively low (3.8 kcal/mol) and the reaction was slightly exothermic. Dissociation of ketone from Ti(III) lowered the energy to -9.9 kcal/mol. Interestingly, dissociation of OMe^- from Ti(III) ate type complex raised the energy by 23.2 kcal/mol.

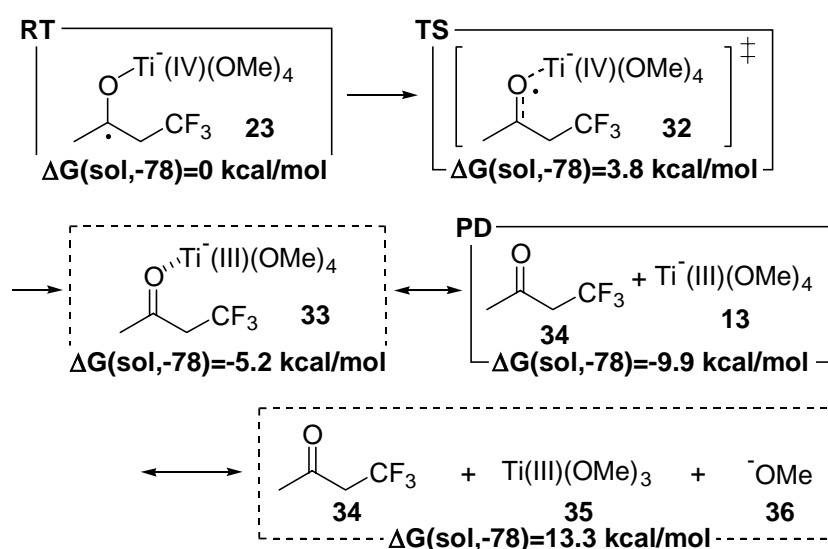


Figure 6-9. Step (2) Ti: Ti elimination from the radical intermediate.²⁰

(20) The structure **33** has imaginary frequency (-29 cm^{-1}) corresponding to rotation of Me group on the ligand.

By analogy with charge distribution of enolate, charge distribution and spin density of Ti species in Step (2) should be checked to confirm that the optimized structures are really the desired structure and not just dissociation for Ti(IV) and radical anion. The results are shown in Table 6-7. Electron in Ti species gradually moves from ketone part to Ti part as the reaction proceeds. Therefore, it could be concluded that the optimized structures are the desired Ti(III) elimination path. Moreover, dissociation of Ti(IV) from the radical intermediate is less thermodynamically favorable than Ti(III) elimination (0.7 kcal/mol vs. -9.9 kcal/mol) (Figure 6-10).

Table 6-7. Charge distribution of Ti species in Step (2).

| | | Natural charge | Spin density |
|------------------------|-------------|----------------|--------------|
| 23 | Ti part | -0.46 | 0.20 |
| | ketone part | -0.54 | 0.80 |
| 32 | Ti part | -0.86 | 0.87 |
| | ketone part | -0.14 | 0.13 |
| 33²⁰ | Ti part | -0.98 | 0.998 |
| | ketone part | -0.02 | 0.002 |

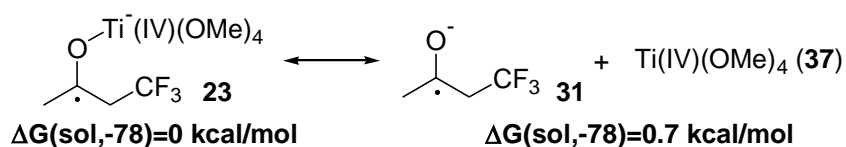


Figure 6-10. Dissociation of Ti(IV) from the radical intermediate.

6-5-2. Step (2)-Li.

Energetics of the reaction without solvent are shown in Figure 6-11. Fluorine atom has coordinative lone electron pair. Therefore, the initial product should have coordination with Li radical. The reaction was endothermic (28.3 kcal/mol). Dissociation of Li radical from α -CF₃ ketone made only slight difference in the total energy (0.6 kcal/mol difference).

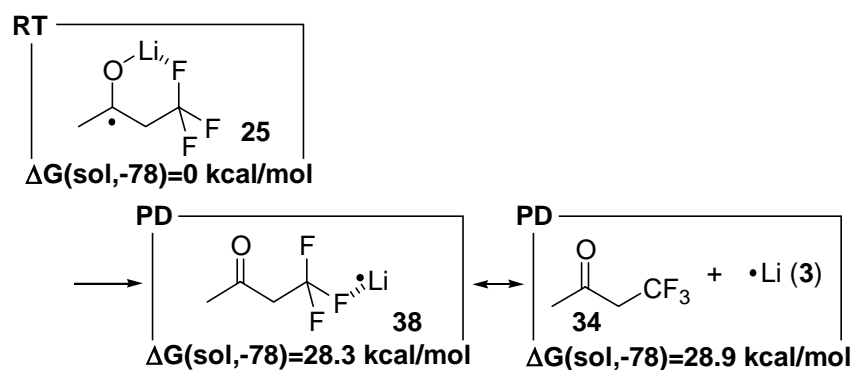


Figure 6-11. Step (2) Li: Li elimination from the radical intermediate (without solvent).

The coordination number of ether is important and confusing in the case of Li. During the optimization of the product of Step (2)-Li (**38**) (Figure 6-11), it was found that carbonyl group would be readily reduced when the Li radical was in close distance. Therefore, the Li radical in **38** is coordinated to the farthest fluorine to carbonyl group. In order to reach this structure, the Li radical should go over the rotation barrier of CF₃ group. This is against the “least motion principle” and thus Figure 6-11 does not describe this reaction correctly. For that reason, when building the solvated model, Li radical in the product should have the maximum coordination number to avoid reduction of the carbonyl group nearby (Route A). Otherwise, Li radical should be completely separated from ketone (Route B) (Figure 6-12). However, optimization of the product of route A (**40**) failed because of the spontaneous reduction of the carbonyl group even the vacant site of Li was filled with ether. Therefore, the product of the Step (2) should be ketone completely separated from Li radical (Route B).

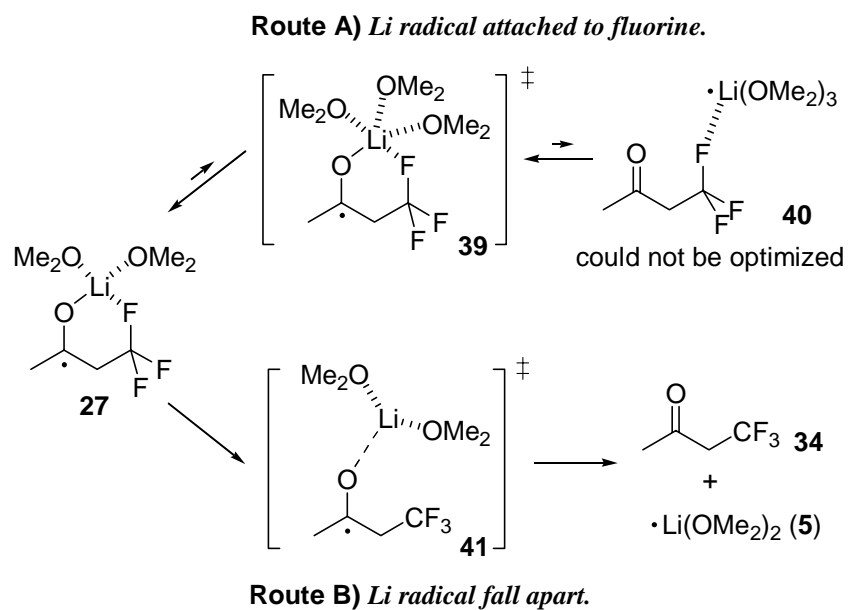


Figure 6-12. Two possible transition states for Li elimination.

There are also several structures to consider for the substrate. As discussed in Step (1)-Li (Figure 6-6), between two possible substrate structures for four coordinated Li, **27**, which has Li-F coordination, is in lowest energy. Therefore, **27** was adopted as a substrate. The energetics of Step (2) for Li are shown in Figure 6-13. This step is endothermic by 27.2 kcal/mol and, hence, probably hard to take place.

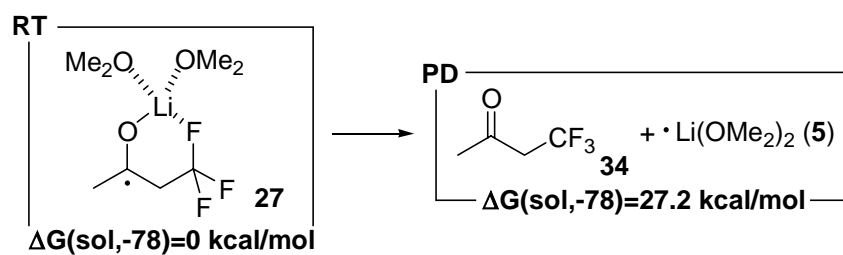


Figure 6-13. Step (2) Li: Li elimination from the radical intermediate.

6-6. Step (3).

There are two possible reaction paths for Step (3). That is a) electron transfer (denoted as ET), and b) atom transfer (denoted as AT). These two pathways should be considered in both Ti and Li cases.

6-6-1. Step (3)-Ti.

The energetics for regeneration of CF_3 radical by Ti(III) are shown in Figure 6-14. The initial product of AT is the Ti(IV) ate complex and CF_3 radical. If AT takes place, CF_3 radical would be generated in one step. As already discussed before (Step (1)-Ti, Figure 6-4), CF_3 radical addition to the Ti ate enolate is a highly exothermic reaction ($\Delta\Delta\text{G}(\text{sol},-78)=-28.0$ kcal/mol) without significant reaction barrier. Therefore, once CF_3 radical was generated, it should immediately react with enolate. However, according to the experimental observation that radical cycle does not works well in the case of Ti (Figure 6-2), AT might not be the reaction pathway. The initial product of ET is Ti(IV) and radical anion of CF_3I . In order to regenerate CF_3 radical, I^- should be pulled out from CF_3 radical anion. However, extraction of I^- by Ti(IV) is thermodynamically unfavorable (Figure 6-14, (A)). Spontaneous dissociation of I^- from CF_3 radical anion is slightly unfavorable by 0.9 kcal/mol (Figure 6-14, (B)). Overall, regeneration of CF_3 radical is unfavorable and it matches the experimental observation.

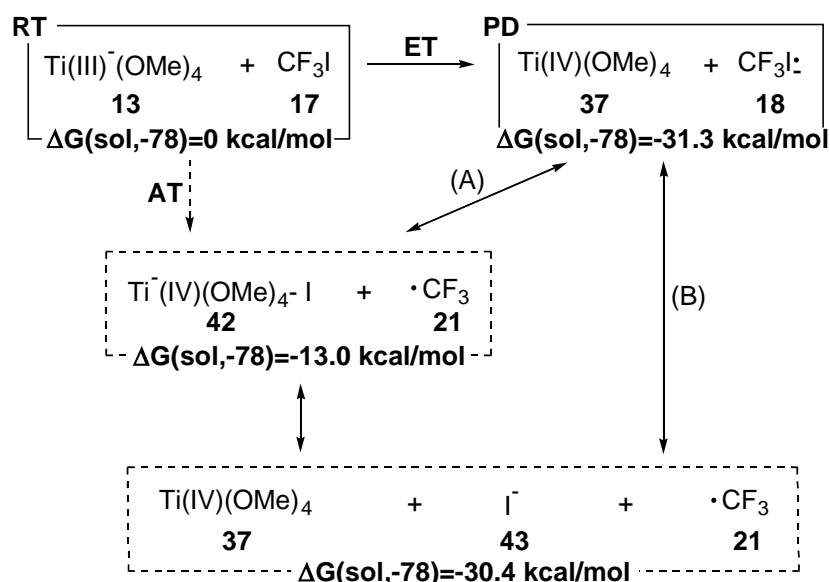


Figure 6-14. Step (3) Ti: Regeneration of CF_3 radical by Ti(III).

6-6-2. Step (3)-Li.

Energetics of the reaction without solvent is shown in Figure 6-15. The initial product of AT is Li-I and CF₃ radical, and the initial product of ET is Li⁺ and radical anion of CF₃I. In sharp contrast to the reaction of Ti(III), regeneration of CF₃ radical is thermodynamically favorable by 8.6 kcal/mol.

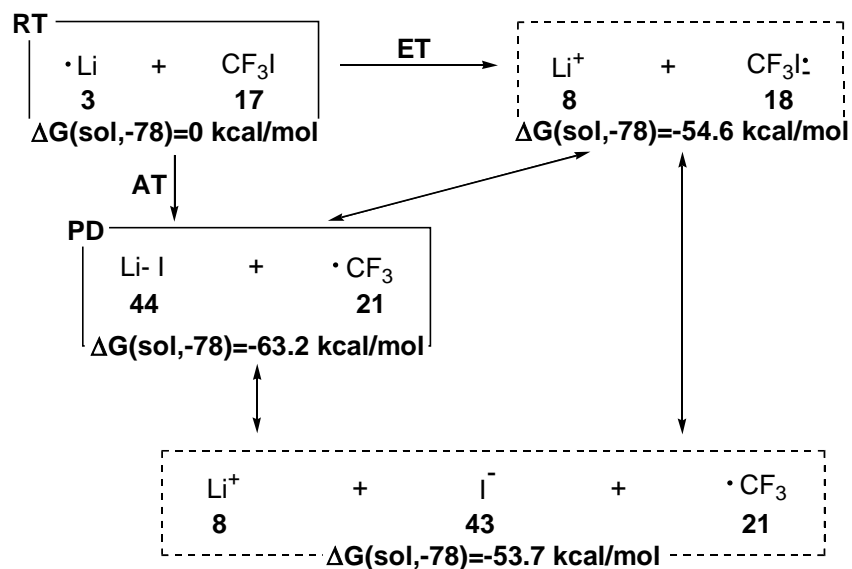


Figure 6-15. Step (3) Li: Regeneration of CF₃ radical by Li radical (without solvent).

As shown in Figure 6-15, the number of the ligand on Li changes during the reaction. According to Figure 6-13, product of solvated Li model of Step (2) has two ethers coordinated to Li radical (Route A). Other possibility is Li radical with three ethers which fills all vacant site of the product Li-I (Route B). Both routes were calculated (Figure 6-16). Both routes A and B came up with the same tendency. Regeneration of the CF₃ radical is thermodynamically favorable (up to -60.5 kcal/mol). However, because of the high reaction barrier in Step (2), Step (3) might not take place.

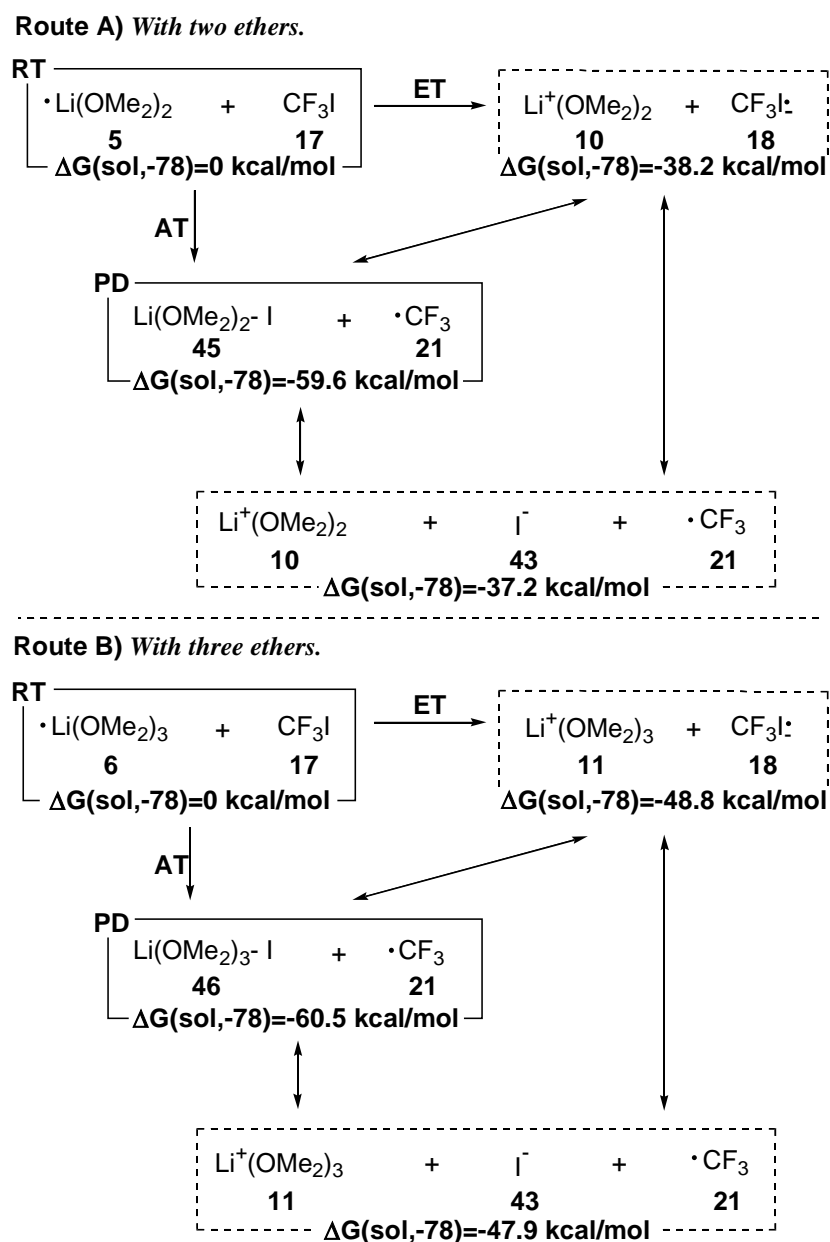


Figure 6-16. Step (3) Li: Regeneration of CF_3 radical by Li radical (with solvents).²¹

(21) The structure **46** has imaginary frequencies ($-30, -13 \text{ cm}^{-1}$) corresponding to vibration of ether.

6-7. Step (4).

As in the case of path (3), there are two possible pathways, that is, ET and AT pathways.^{22,23} Furthermore, in AT, there are two possible routes; that is A) C-I bond forming path and B) M-I bond path (Figure 6-17). Route A involves α -iodo alkoxide intermediate **48**. Decomposition of **48** gives the α -CF₃ product. However, the structure **48** could not be optimized because I fall apart during the optimization and no C-I bond was formed. This phenomenon was observed in both Ti and Li cases. Therefore, route B would be the favorable pathway for AT in Step (4).

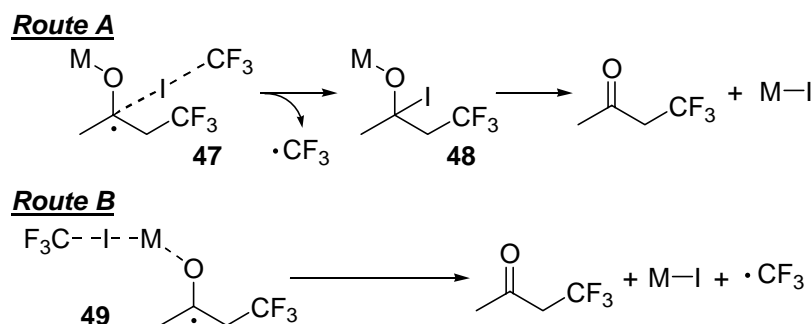


Figure 6-17. Two possible reaction pathways in AT for Step (4).

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- (22) Theoretical study of the reaction of ketyl radical and alkyl halide. (a) Sastry, G. N.; Shaik, S. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1995**, *117*, 3290-3291. (b) Sastry, G. N.; Shaik, S. *J. Phys. Chem.* **1996**, *100*, 12241-12252. (c) Bertran, J.; Gallardo, I.; Moreno, M.; Savéant, J.-M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1996**, *118*, 5737-5744. (d) Sastry, G. N.; Danovich, D.; Shaik, S. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed. Engl.* **1996**, *35*, 1098-1100. (e) Shaik, S.; Danovich, D.; Sastry, G. N.; Ayala, P. Y.; Schlegel, H. B. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1997**, *119*, 9237-9245. (f) Yamataka, H.; Aida, M.; Dupuis, M. *Chem. Phys. Lett.* **1999**, *300*, 583-587. (g) Bakken, V.; Danovich, D.; Shaik, S.; Schlegel, H. B. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **2001**, *123*, 130-134.
- (23) Experimental study of the reaction of ketyl radical and alkyl halide. (a) Kimura, N.; Takamuku, S. *Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn.* **1991**, *64*, 2433-2437. (b) Kimura, N.; Takamuku, S.; *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1994**, *116*, 4087-4088.

6-7-1. Step (4)-Ti.

Energetics of Step (4) for Ti are shown in Figure 6-18. Regeneration of CF_3 radical is completed in one step in the case of AT. However, as discussed in Step (3)-Ti, AT should not take place as experimentally observed. In the case that ET takes place, it requires at least one more step to regenerate CF_3 radical. Although the reaction is exothermic, regeneration of CF_3 radical is unfavorable overall. This trend is exactly the same as in Step (3).

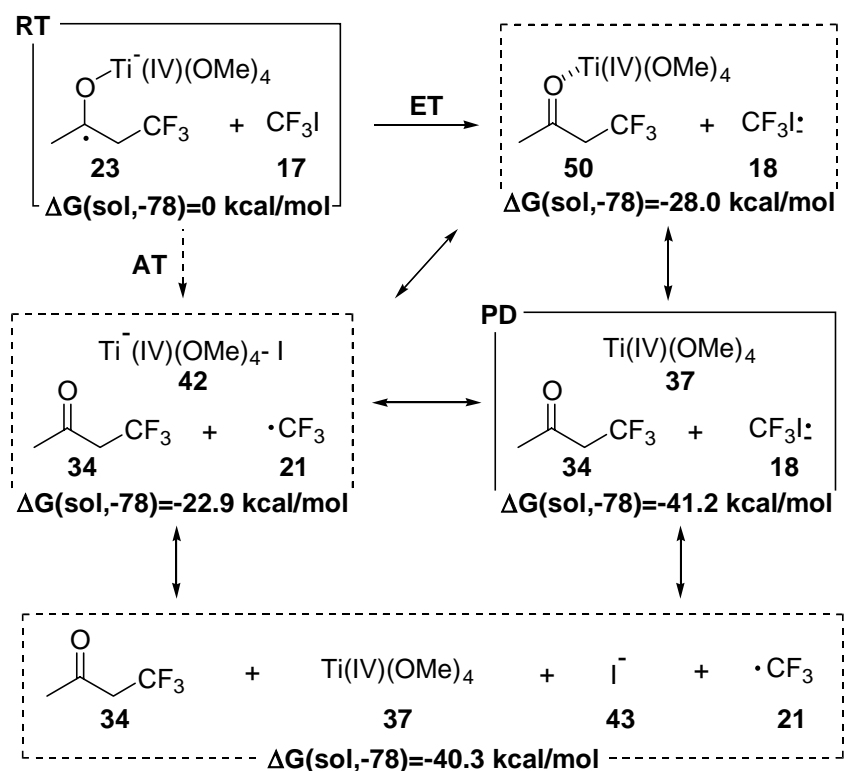


Figure 6-18. Step (4) Ti: Regeneration of CF_3 radical by radical intermediate.

6-7-2. Step (4)-Li.

Energetics of the reaction without solvent is shown in Figure 6-19. The same trend as in Step (3) was observed. Both AT and ET could be considered, and AT generates CF_3 radical in one step and ET requires at least one more step to regenerate CF_3 radical. However, in sharp contrast to Ti, regeneration of CF_3 radical from the ET product (**51**) is thermodynamically favorable because of positive bond formation of Li-I. I could be effectively extracted from the radical anion of CF_3I to regenerate CF_3 radical.

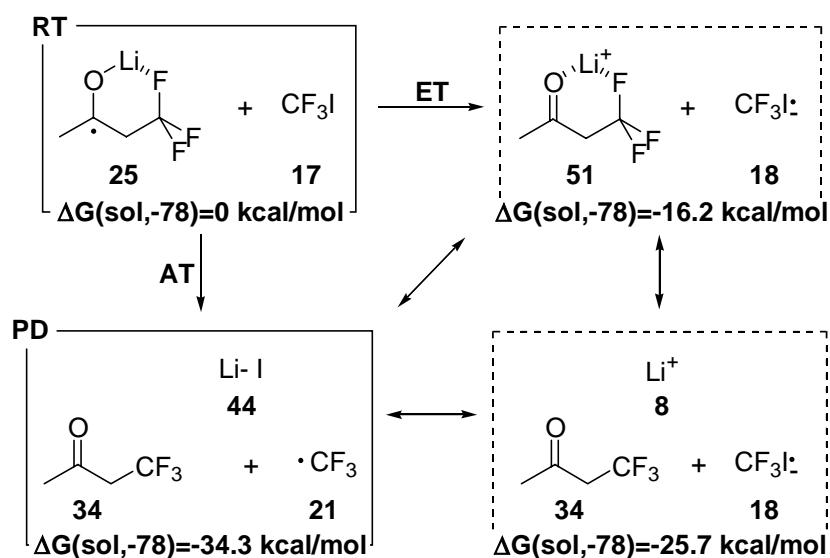


Figure 6-19. Step (4) Li: Regeneration of CF_3 radical by radical intermediate (without solvent).

In contrast to Step (3), coordination number of Li does not change during the reaction. Therefore, solvated model was constructed by attaching two ethers on Li to fill up the empty site on Li. The result of the calculations was shown in Figure 6-20. Energetics were almost the same as non-solvated model and CF_3 radical could be regenerated by extraction of I from CF_3I radical anion (ET) or CF_3I itself (AT) by Li^+ , although AT processes bear the lower ΔG energies; whichever routes could regenerate CF_3 radical to make the radical cycle work as experimentally observed.

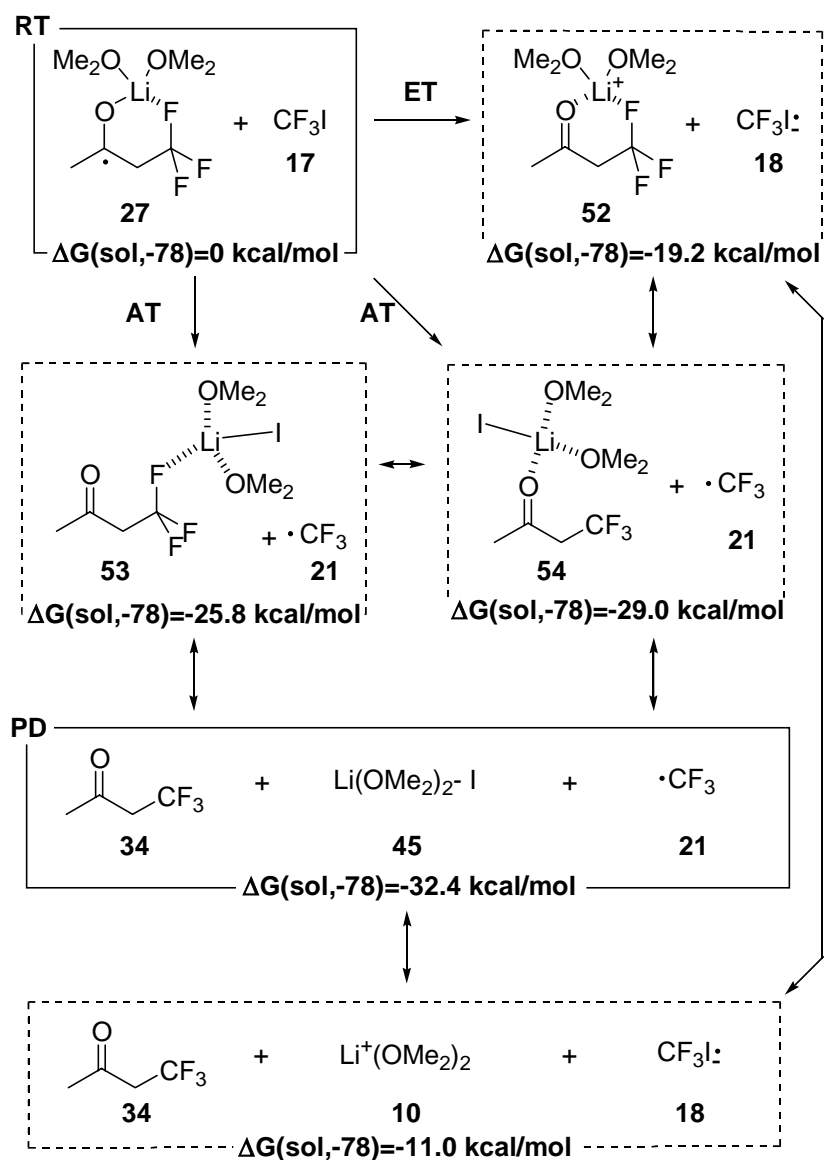


Figure 6-20. Step (4) Li: Regeneration of CF_3 radical by radical intermediate (with solvent).²⁴

6-8. Radical anion of MeI and CF_3I .

It is well known that radical anion of MeI (**55**) does not have a stable form and I^- will be dissociated spontaneously (Figure 6-21).²⁵ For the radical anion of CF_3I ,²⁶

(24) The structure **52** has imaginary frequency (-17 cm^{-1}) corresponding to vibration of ether.

(25) (a) Rossi, R. A.; Pierini, A. B.; Palacios, S. M. In *Advances in Free Radical Chemistry*; Tanner, D. D., Eds.; Jai Press: London, 1990; Vol. 1, p 193-252. (b) Bertran, J.; Gallardo, I.; Moreno, M.; Savéant, J.-M. *J. Am. Chem. Soc.* **1992**, *114*, 9576-9585. (c) Zhou, Z. Y.; Xing, Y. M. *J. Mol. Struct.* **2000**, *532*, 87-93. (d) Mariano, D.; Vera, A.; Pierini, B. *J. Phys. Org. Chem.* **2002**, *15*, 894-902.

(26) Roszak, S.; Koski, W. S.; Kaufman, J. J.; Balasubramanian, K. *J. Chem. Phys.* **1997**, *106*,

strong electron withdrawing nature of F stabilizes the anion species to prevent the spontaneous dissociation of I^- and thus prevent the regeneration of CF_3 radical. This is the controlling factor of the effectiveness of the radical cycle. Although there are two routes (ET and AT) to regenerate CF_3 radical, something is required to extract I^- from CF_3I itself or the radical anion of CF_3I . In the case of Li, Li^+ has a positive bond formation with I^- but Ti(IV) does not.²⁷ This could be the rationale for Figure 6-2; Ti ate enolate requires equimolar amount of radical initiator and Li enolate requires only catalytic amount there of.

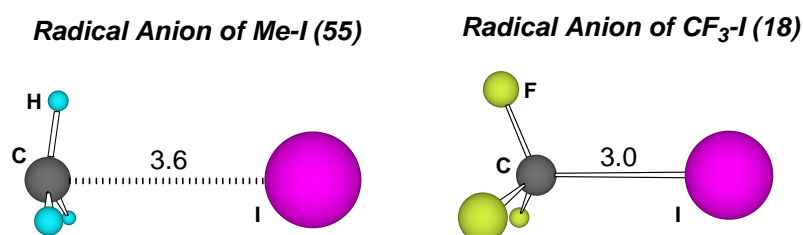


Figure 6-21. Structures of the radical anion of Me-I and CF_3 -I optimized at UB3LYP/631+LAN level.

6-9. Conclusion.

The schematic reaction path is shown in Figure 6-22 and energy diagram of the reaction mechanism is shown in Figure 6-23. In the case of Ti ate enolate, the CF_3 radical addition step (Step (1)) does not have significant reaction barrier and thus readily occur. Ti(IV) ketyl radical intermediate could proceed in either Step (2) or Step (4). For Step (2), the reaction barrier is very low (3.8 kcal/mol). Ti(III) species, which was generated after Step (2), could react as a one electron reductant to CF_3I but does not have an extracting ability of I^- from radical anion of CF_3I to regenerate CF_3 radical. If Ti(IV) ketyl radical proceed to Step (4), it could produce α - CF_3 product but could not regenerate CF_3 radical as in the case in Step (3). In the case of Li enolate, the CF_3 radical addition step (Step (2)) also does not have significant reaction barrier. The difference between the reactions of Ti ate enolate and Li enolate could be first found at Step (2). Although the reaction barrier of Step (2) of Ti(IV) ketyl radical is very low (3.8 kcal/mol), Li ketyl radical has very high reaction barrier (at least 27.2 kcal/mol) and

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(27) It is known that when the structure optimization was carried out in the presence of dielectric field, the $CF_3Cl + e^- \rightarrow CF_3\cdot + Cl^-$ reaction appears as a concerted electron transfer-bond breaking process as in the case of alkyl halide (see ref. 25-(b)). However, there is extra driving force for the regeneration of CF_3 radical for Li^+ , which is Li-I bond formation, to facilitate the radical cycle. Therefore, even if the structure optimization was carried out in the presence of dielectric field, the major conclusion would not be changed.

thus Li ketyl radical would proceed to Step (4). Another difference between Ti and Li was observed at Step (4). Li ketyl radical could react with CF_3I to produce $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ product and Li^+ species. Li^+ could extract I^- from radical anion of CF_3I to regenerate CF_3 radical (ET). Another possibility is AT which could regenerate CF_3 radical in one step. Effective regeneration of CF_3 radical is based on positive bond formation of Li-I in either (ET or AT) case. The experimentally observed difference between Ti ate enolate and Li enolate in Figure 6-2 could be attributed to the bond forming ability of the metal species and I^- to regenerate CF_3 radical.

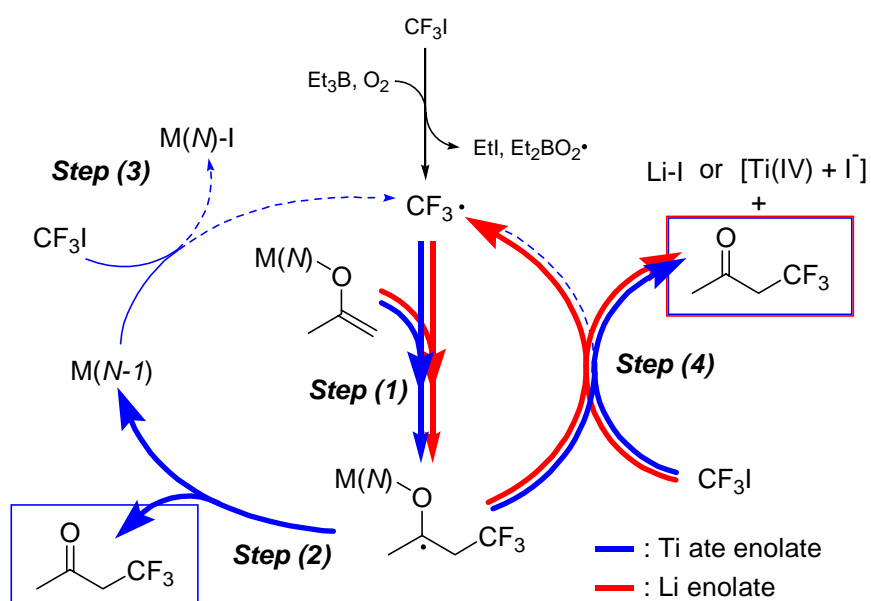


Figure 6-22. Reaction mechanism of radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate and Li enolates.

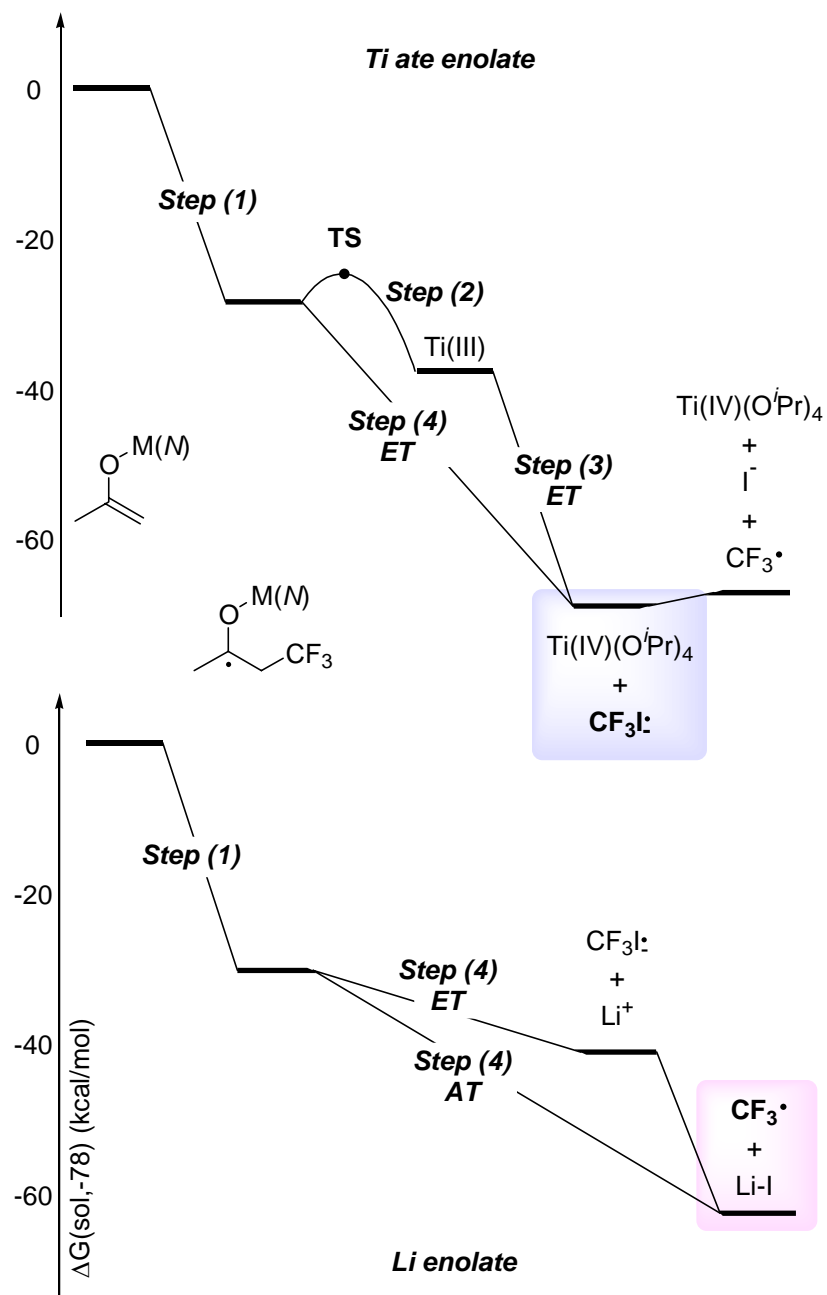


Figure 6-23. Energy diagram of the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate and Li enolate.

Experimental Section for Chapter 6

General

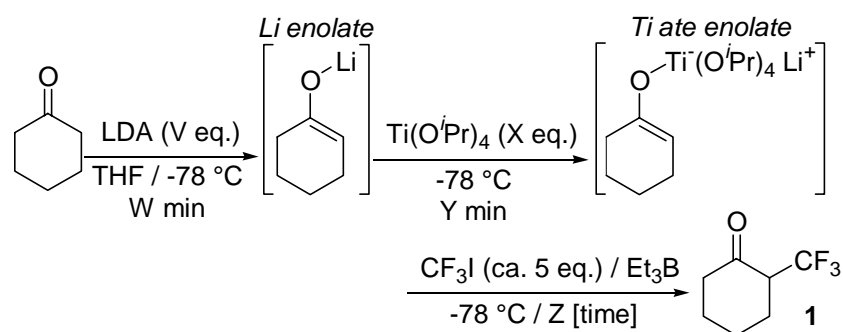
All experiments were carried out under argon atmosphere unless otherwise noted.

Analytical thin layer chromatographies (TLC) were performed on a glass plates and/or aluminum sheets pre-coated with silica gel (Merck Kieselgal 60 F₂₅₄, layer thickness 0.25 and 0.2 mm). Visualization was accomplished by UV light (254 nm), anisaldehyde, KMnO₄ and phosphomolybdic acid.

THF were distilled over benzophenone-ketyl under Ar prior to use.

Computational calculations were executed on SGI Origin2000 (Tokyo Institute of Technology), Compaq AlphaServer GS320 (Tokyo Institute of Technology), SGI2800 (Institute of Molecular Science), SGI Origin3800 (Institute of Molecular Science), and Fujitsu VPP5000 (Institute of Molecular Science).

Tabulated experimental data for the investigation of the relationship between the amount of the Et₃B and the yields (Figure 6-2).



| enolate | V, W, X, Y, Z | Et ₃ B (eq.) | yield (%) |
|---------|---------------------------------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Li | V=1.0, W=60, X=0, Y=0, Z=~1 s | 1.0 | 81 |
| | | 0.5 | 76 |
| | | 0.2 | 75 |
| | | 0.1 | 66 |
| | | 0.05 | 71 |
| | | 0.025 | 53 |
| Ti ate | V=1.6, W=30, X=1.6, Y=30, Z=2 h | 1.0 | 81 |
| | | 0.75 | 83 |
| | | 0.5 | 71 |
| | | 0.2 | 33 |
| | | 0.1 | 5 |

| | | | |
|--------|---------------------------------|------|----|
| Ti ate | V=1.0, W=30, X=1.0, Y=30, Z=2 h | 1.0 | 56 |
| | | 0.75 | 60 |
| | | 0.5 | 51 |
| | | 0.2 | 27 |
| | | 0.1 | 1 |

For the experimental procedure and the physical data of the product, see the experimental section of Chapter 4 and 5.

Computational Methods

All the calculations were performed with GAUSSIAN 03 program package. All the structures were optimized at UB3LYP/631+LAN (LANL2DZ for Ti, I, 6-31+G* for others) level (E). Gibbs free energies (G) contain zero-point, thermal and entropy effects at 298.15 K and 1 atm pressure. Then the energies were recalculated in the presence of dielectric field (THF, $\epsilon=7.58$) as described by the C-PCM (COSMO (conductor-like screening model)) model at UB3LYP/6311+LAN (LANL2DZ for Ti, I, 6-311+G* for others) level (E(sol)). Gibbs free energies (G(sol,-78)) contain zero-point, thermal and entropy effects at 195.15 K (-78 °C) and 1 atm pressure.

Molecular Geometries and Energies

3: Li radical.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -7.49111328996 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -7.504516 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -7.524294 a.u.

4: Li radical with one dimethyl ether.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -162.540264501 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -162.487524 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------|----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | -0.013338 | 2.239848 | 0.000000 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
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| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.197847 | -0.454594 | 0.000000 |
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| 5 | 1 | 0 | 1.239245 | -1.082862 | -0.898823 |
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| 7 | 6 | 0 | -1.193732 | -0.461071 | 0.000000 |
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5: Li radical with two dimethyl ethers.

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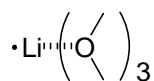
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| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.228501 | 1.229180 | 0.066180 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 1.486165 | 2.029074 | 0.000730 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 2.706226 | 1.242325 | 1.055325 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 2.984158 | 1.369698 | -0.717614 |
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| 11 | 8 | 0 | -1.618526 | -0.006345 | -0.139263 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | -1.624232 | -0.116899 | 1.284776 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.118676 | 0.755083 | 1.733498 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -2.144227 | -1.032976 | 1.595449 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -0.580910 | -0.156921 | 1.605395 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -2.933565 | 0.059119 | -0.703748 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -3.496519 | -0.850966 | -0.456457 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -3.462599 | 0.944116 | -0.324927 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -2.807395 | 0.134549 | -1.787204 |

6: Li radical with three dimethyl ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



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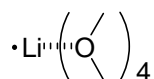
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| 4 | 1 | 0 | -1.238604 | -2.392512 | -1.543676 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | -2.189032 | -3.007953 | -0.145067 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -2.936529 | -1.875803 | -1.330776 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | -2.467827 | -0.572272 | 0.922010 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.696470 | -1.369460 | 1.642170 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.009683 | 0.274809 | 1.438499 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.393766 | -0.246391 | 0.428348 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | 1.671387 | -0.796145 | -0.035472 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | 1.731790 | -1.908042 | 0.859817 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.530299 | -1.758288 | 1.598960 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 0.764509 | -1.968503 | 1.364479 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 1.915336 | -2.837776 | 0.303721 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | 2.885498 | -0.610360 | -0.773767 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 3.713321 | -0.386478 | -0.085512 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 3.114803 | -1.509896 | -1.360773 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 2.721284 | 0.230247 | -1.454237 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.145261 | 1.835423 | -0.036044 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -0.925924 | 2.786466 | -0.770235 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -1.540359 | 3.382315 | -0.079764 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -0.270884 | 3.445016 | -1.356102 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -1.565348 | 2.217577 | -1.451663 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | 0.785046 | 2.451319 | 0.856845 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 1.491978 | 3.080645 | 0.298856 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 0.252581 | 3.063741 | 1.597149 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 1.327928 | 1.648163 | 1.360761 |

Experimental Section

7: Li radical with four dimethyl ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -627.673050021 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -627.401664 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | -0.000330 | -0.001610 | 0.001252 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 1.199075 | 0.792698 | -1.342109 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.134505 | 2.147099 | -1.797999 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 0.280128 | 2.616968 | -1.305316 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 2.053703 | 2.684798 | -1.526530 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 0.997404 | 2.176920 | -2.888015 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 2.313789 | 0.083208 | -1.889268 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 3.256694 | 0.562048 | -1.589504 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.281051 | -0.936178 | -1.494660 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.249289 | 0.056476 | -2.986115 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | -1.194826 | 1.345093 | 0.795482 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | -1.129189 | 1.801661 | 2.149657 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -0.997236 | 2.892336 | 2.178751 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -2.045612 | 1.525714 | 2.689809 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -0.271064 | 1.313627 | 2.617712 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -2.312698 | 1.888574 | 0.088032 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -3.253774 | 1.585958 | 0.568652 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -2.251635 | 2.985595 | 0.061171 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -2.280577 | 1.493988 | -0.931386 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.212244 | -1.328486 | -0.797258 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.135288 | -1.801208 | -2.145259 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -0.974095 | -2.888268 | -2.160679 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -2.059518 | -1.557267 | -2.687424 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -0.291404 | -1.295678 | -2.620514 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | -2.318815 | -1.886045 | -0.083218 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -3.264971 | -1.615721 | -0.572973 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -2.231229 | -2.980597 | -0.034594 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -2.300435 | -1.471063 | 0.928501 |
| 29 | 8 | 0 | 1.209537 | -0.802060 | 1.327950 |
| 30 | 6 | 0 | 1.129974 | -2.149030 | 1.803294 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 2.053356 | -2.693297 | 1.560826 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 0.968001 | -2.162068 | 2.890283 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | 0.285462 | -2.623943 | 1.298363 |
| 34 | 6 | 0 | 2.316748 | -0.088761 | 1.885225 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | 2.300885 | 0.921900 | 1.467611 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | 2.227772 | -0.037325 | 2.979527 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | 3.262301 | -0.581047 | 1.617447 |

8: Li cation.

Charge=1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -7.28456710192 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -7.297315 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -7.479987 a.u.

9: Li cation with one dimethyl ether.

Charge=1, Multiplicity=1



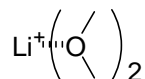
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -162.378864248 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -162.324303 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | 0.012597 | 2.163533 | -0.000001 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 0.000758 | 0.353290 | -0.000014 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -1.206703 | -0.450337 | -0.000002 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | -1.233093 | -1.073528 | 0.898939 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | -2.058880 | 0.233426 | -0.000234 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -1.232849 | -1.073998 | -0.898646 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 1.202216 | -0.458972 | 0.000004 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.224360 | -1.082588 | -0.898824 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.059436 | 0.218554 | 0.000276 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 1.224094 | -1.082925 | 0.898599 |

10: Li cation with two dimethyl ethers.

Charge=1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -317.463877779 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -317.337579 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -317.458589 a.u.

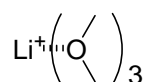
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | 0.000000 | -0.000111 | -0.000165 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 1.838476 | 0.000009 | -0.000022 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.641814 | 0.849498 | 0.848789 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 3.266313 | 1.505986 | 0.233989 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 1.959200 | 1.451462 | 1.453011 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 3.269074 | 0.235228 | 1.503147 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 2.641962 | -0.849452 | -0.848726 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 3.266401 | -1.505920 | -0.233846 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.959451 | -1.451443 | -1.453042 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.269283 | -0.235164 | -1.503007 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | -1.838476 | -0.000036 | -0.000038 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | -2.641872 | -0.848814 | 0.849430 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -3.266256 | -0.233992 | 1.506005 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -3.269247 | -1.503045 | 0.235144 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -1.959299 | -1.453171 | 1.451306 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -2.641904 | 0.848822 | -0.849398 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -3.266499 | 0.234059 | -1.505827 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -3.269068 | 1.503181 | -0.235032 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.959352 | 1.453046 | -1.451434 |

11: Li cation with three dimethyl ethers.

Charge=1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -472.531328303 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -472.332090 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -472.480714 a.u.

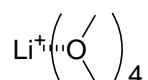
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | 0.000111 | -0.000191 | -0.001175 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 0.505031 | 1.824112 | 0.000748 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -0.161893 | 2.839516 | -0.768896 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.604073 | 2.346870 | 0.766933 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 1.326587 | -1.348678 | 0.001694 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.524332 | -1.298104 | -0.792756 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 1.244286 | -2.543414 | 0.798124 |
| 8 | 8 | 0 | -1.832736 | -0.471229 | -0.003409 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -2.824535 | 0.171689 | 0.815826 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -2.385536 | -1.519413 | -0.818233 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 0.537080 | 3.293281 | -1.480961 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -0.976323 | 2.355251 | -1.311607 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -0.567582 | 3.611846 | -0.105065 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 1.245720 | 3.106939 | 1.470752 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.042669 | 1.513235 | 1.319292 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 2.355790 | 2.785068 | 0.100051 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 2.505870 | -0.360034 | -1.351395 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 3.408854 | -1.326171 | -0.145863 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 2.549512 | -2.142623 | -1.491067 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | 1.251603 | -3.429568 | 0.152856 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 2.086161 | -2.588361 | 1.498649 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 0.305512 | -2.500703 | 1.354274 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -3.605292 | 0.614921 | 0.186817 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -3.271970 | -0.553059 | 1.505837 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -2.319835 | 0.956271 | 1.383401 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -2.838249 | -2.291709 | -0.185546 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -3.140068 | -1.109633 | -1.499583 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -1.565200 | -1.950886 | -1.395572 |

12: Li cation with four dimethyl ethers.

Charge=1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -627.584655641 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -627.311971 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | 0.000752 | -0.002758 | -0.010741 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | -1.144381 | -0.229016 | 1.585785 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -0.802394 | -1.072716 | 2.692554 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 0.070030 | -1.656507 | 2.395919 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | -0.564448 | -0.468450 | 3.577259 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -1.633386 | -1.749789 | 2.926266 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | -2.325657 | 0.542118 | 1.833811 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.183255 | 1.197132 | 2.703087 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.513062 | 1.145411 | 0.943618 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.181520 | -0.119497 | 2.017339 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | -1.288482 | 0.153376 | -1.491497 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | -2.396812 | -0.736841 | -1.670117 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.423611 | -1.401026 | -0.804029 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -3.335352 | -0.171381 | -1.727588 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.273267 | -1.325939 | -2.587906 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -1.175183 | 1.105063 | -2.556931 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -1.002907 | 0.594058 | -3.512577 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -2.088224 | 1.709499 | -2.625636 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.327535 | 1.751553 | -2.325436 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.170526 | 1.578982 | 0.124026 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 0.947126 | 2.656086 | 1.043076 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 1.827359 | 2.801497 | 1.681692 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 0.732207 | 3.585445 | 0.500729 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | 0.089841 | 2.382934 | 1.660043 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | 2.295341 | 1.817009 | -0.730675 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 2.137829 | 2.722640 | -1.330348 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 3.209836 | 1.932236 | -0.135483 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.394414 | 0.951854 | -1.389060 |
| 29 | 8 | 0 | 1.228096 | -1.540176 | -0.204301 |
| 30 | 6 | 0 | 1.015626 | -2.618449 | -1.123878 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 0.058472 | -2.441557 | -1.616486 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 1.815518 | -2.643515 | -1.874730 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | 0.985321 | -3.576610 | -0.590241 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|----------|-----------|-----------|
| 34 | 6 | 0 | 2.465597 | -1.666591 | 0.505759 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | 2.481159 | -2.598423 | 1.085160 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | 3.311683 | -1.661047 | -0.193131 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | 2.542705 | -0.811639 | 1.180064 |

13: Ti⁻(III)(OMe)₄.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2

Ti⁻(III)(OMe)₄

E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.840710058 a.u.

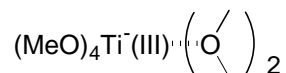
G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.727741 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.890711 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 22 | 0 | -0.046055 | 0.000358 | -0.002429 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | -1.184757 | 1.530963 | -0.203629 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | -1.201377 | -1.518372 | 0.194965 |
| 4 | 8 | 0 | 1.137962 | 0.146528 | 1.501546 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 1.150675 | -0.151941 | -1.495409 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.043813 | 0.797401 | -1.989294 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | -1.935508 | 2.220123 | 0.744958 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -1.947810 | -2.209582 | -0.755384 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | 2.012801 | -0.813878 | 2.006860 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.762209 | 1.137249 | -1.218156 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 1.528787 | 1.698297 | -2.375482 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 2.636252 | 0.376468 | -2.824614 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.768258 | -1.126046 | 1.259689 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 1.486621 | -1.729033 | 2.341051 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.563613 | -0.416451 | 2.881311 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -2.124463 | -3.253703 | -0.431255 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -1.446296 | -2.255546 | -1.741415 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -2.942135 | -1.747822 | -0.914942 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.439584 | 2.261428 | 1.733994 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -2.931606 | 1.759722 | 0.897119 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -2.108241 | 3.265738 | 0.423518 |

14: Ti⁻(III)(OMe)₄ with two dimethyl ethers.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -828.886666499 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -828.617087 a.u.

This structure has imaginary frequency (-8 cm⁻¹) corresponding to the vibration of ether.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 22 | 0 | -0.098666 | 0.085784 | -0.026261 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | -2.330123 | 0.008063 | -0.047378 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | 0.076852 | -0.420018 | -1.895918 |
| 4 | 8 | 0 | -0.058894 | -1.932009 | 0.464649 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 2.280034 | 0.121923 | 0.009891 |
| 6 | 8 | 0 | 0.107023 | 0.492948 | 1.871688 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.337571 | 2.034615 | -0.484693 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -3.154216 | 1.131495 | -0.332539 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.669682 | 0.985353 | -1.294745 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.902750 | 1.258961 | 0.465776 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.477637 | 1.987411 | -0.391598 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | -3.016620 | -1.236779 | -0.024254 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -3.749547 | -1.248945 | 0.797673 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -3.539022 | -1.395929 | -0.980544 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.246742 | -1.997488 | 0.121092 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | 2.976344 | -0.102244 | -1.206705 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 2.420244 | 0.410607 | -1.991327 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 4.002825 | 0.293275 | -1.129494 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 3.012988 | -1.176445 | -1.437818 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | 2.858857 | -0.568334 | 1.112593 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 2.875789 | -1.649860 | 0.919139 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 3.884043 | -0.201119 | 1.285634 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 2.214641 | -0.361590 | 1.968038 |
| 24 | 6 | 0 | 0.137521 | 1.698409 | 2.556411 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -0.571548 | 1.692495 | 3.410225 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 1.142322 | 1.899638 | 2.988586 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -0.120001 | 2.550563 | 1.903473 |
| 28 | 6 | 0 | 0.574249 | 2.854017 | -1.123080 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 0.184146 | 3.889463 | -1.234124 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 1.538915 | 2.940548 | -0.576361 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 0.818456 | 2.497239 | -2.146850 |
| 32 | 6 | 0 | -0.128169 | -2.556705 | 1.690209 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | 0.149408 | -1.888912 | 2.529616 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -1.152657 | -2.940017 | 1.931036 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | 0.537546 | -3.449754 | 1.740392 |
| 36 | 6 | 0 | 0.151318 | -1.632723 | -2.562112 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | 1.095376 | -1.722655 | -3.143532 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | 0.101522 | -2.488354 | -1.866339 |

Experimental Section

39 1 0 -0.672264 -1.738708 -3.299258

15: Ti(IV)(OMe)₄.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1

Ti(IV)(OMe)₄

E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.825262428 a.u.

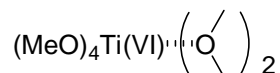
G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.708669 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.809260 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 22 | 0 | -0.013181 | 0.018412 | -0.019730 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | -1.141358 | 1.221388 | 0.696364 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | 1.139643 | 0.860095 | -1.117957 |
| 4 | 8 | 0 | 0.939777 | -0.812207 | 1.261696 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -0.970880 | -1.215939 | -0.913231 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.422865 | 2.466058 | 1.277614 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -0.951441 | 3.277501 | 0.705666 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.508853 | 2.627185 | 1.288379 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -1.052821 | 2.498404 | 2.311795 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 1.201836 | -2.007787 | 1.951914 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 0.731737 | -2.863371 | 1.447565 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 2.285893 | -2.175667 | 1.999355 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 0.812462 | -1.940655 | 2.976679 |
| 14 | 6 | 0 | -2.176576 | -1.564980 | -1.543287 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.093992 | -1.409852 | -2.627620 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -2.393967 | -2.624793 | -1.356179 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -3.008940 | -0.959106 | -1.159039 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 2.451101 | 1.025831 | -1.588083 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 2.648931 | 2.092375 | -1.759144 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | 3.179866 | 0.642804 | -0.859793 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 2.582660 | 0.488691 | -2.537518 |

16: Ti(IV)(OMe)₄ with two dimethyl ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -828.874080343 a.u.

G(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -828.594978 a.u.

This structure has imaginary frequencies (-35, -28 cm⁻¹) corresponding to the vibration of ether.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 22 | 0 | -0.003097 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 2.233934 | -0.000001 | 0.000001 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | -0.188098 | 1.856755 | -0.202041 |
| 4 | 8 | 0 | 0.188150 | 0.201537 | 1.855891 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -2.236776 | 0.000001 | 0.000000 |
| 6 | 8 | 0 | -0.188099 | -1.856756 | 0.202038 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.188151 | -0.201537 | -1.855890 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 3.013899 | -0.861669 | -0.829864 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.691361 | -0.266545 | -1.456663 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.597179 | -1.550944 | -0.205112 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.314827 | -1.414372 | -1.455859 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | 3.013899 | 0.861667 | 0.829865 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.691364 | 0.266545 | 1.456663 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.597177 | 1.550944 | 0.205112 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.314827 | 1.414369 | 1.455861 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -3.015817 | 0.830319 | -0.862075 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -2.316300 | 1.458688 | -1.411677 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -3.596112 | 0.205970 | -1.554185 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -3.695784 | 1.454742 | -0.267377 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | -3.015818 | -0.830317 | 0.862076 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -3.596113 | -0.205968 | 1.554185 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -3.695785 | -1.454740 | 0.267377 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -2.316302 | -1.458686 | 1.411677 |
| 24 | 6 | 0 | -0.521338 | -2.905179 | -0.662999 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 0.052261 | -3.807287 | -0.398968 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -1.592255 | -3.157486 | -0.581307 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -0.310928 | -2.636063 | -1.709354 |
| 28 | 6 | 0 | 0.527618 | 0.663095 | -2.902673 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 1.598845 | 0.577384 | -3.152221 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -0.044628 | 0.401880 | -3.806448 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 0.320377 | 1.709979 | -2.633306 |
| 32 | 6 | 0 | 0.527616 | -0.663095 | 2.902673 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | 0.320373 | -1.709979 | 2.633307 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | 1.598843 | -0.577385 | 3.152221 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | -0.044629 | -0.401879 | 3.806449 |
| 36 | 6 | 0 | -0.521335 | 2.905179 | 0.662997 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | -1.592252 | 3.157487 | 0.581305 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | -0.310926 | 2.636063 | 1.709352 |

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39 1 0 0.052265 3.807287 0.398965

17: CF₃I.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1

CF₃I

E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -349.018444593 a.u.

E(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -349.114136646 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -349.121674 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.195600 | 0.000040 | -0.000022 |
| 2 | 53 | 0 | 0.984300 | 0.000015 | 0.000024 |
| 3 | 9 | 0 | -1.666640 | -0.080729 | 1.250908 |
| 4 | 9 | 0 | -1.666242 | -1.043150 | -0.695391 |
| 5 | 9 | 0 | -1.666483 | 1.123767 | -0.555643 |

18: anion radical of CF₃I.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2

CF₃I^{•-}

E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -349.076225064 a.u.

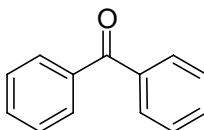
E(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -349.172090437 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -349.253018 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | -1.654211 |
| 2 | 9 | 0 | 0.000000 | 1.262126 | -2.192298 |
| 3 | 9 | 0 | 1.093033 | -0.631063 | -2.192298 |
| 4 | 9 | 0 | -1.093033 | -0.631063 | -2.192298 |
| 5 | 53 | 0 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 1.304100 |

19: benzophenone.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -576.643660499 a.u.

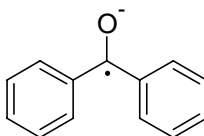
E(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -576.764580737 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.000015 | 1.094974 | -0.000245 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 0.000015 | 2.323310 | -0.000055 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -1.301785 | 0.348291 | -0.026655 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -1.445814 | -0.897559 | -0.659778 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -2.431306 | 0.963085 | 0.540710 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.696553 | -1.517594 | -0.720527 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -0.588081 | -1.370857 | -1.128198 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -3.673780 | 0.332631 | 0.499550 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.315373 | 1.936250 | 1.008107 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -3.809365 | -0.909163 | -0.133034 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.801120 | -2.473641 | -1.226948 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.538448 | 0.809631 | 0.953729 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -4.780071 | -1.397012 | -0.172218 |
| 14 | 6 | 0 | 1.301802 | 0.348279 | 0.026439 |
| 15 | 6 | 0 | 1.445700 | -0.897540 | 0.659655 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | 2.431433 | 0.963025 | -0.540758 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.696416 | -1.517597 | 0.720649 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 0.587874 | -1.370799 | 1.127946 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | 3.673888 | 0.332548 | -0.499352 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | 2.315598 | 1.936167 | -1.008228 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 3.809341 | -0.909216 | 0.133318 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 2.800878 | -2.473622 | 1.227135 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 4.538643 | 0.809508 | -0.953408 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | 4.780030 | -1.397082 | 0.172695 |

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20: anion radical of benzophenone.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -576.669092230 a.u.

E(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -576.790650971 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -0.000009 | 1.017926 | 0.000191 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | -0.000005 | 2.298555 | -0.000036 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.292564 | 0.310920 | 0.011236 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.507300 | -1.024924 | 0.452659 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.456276 | 1.046178 | -0.357531 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.780694 | -1.591265 | 0.479555 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 0.671582 | -1.608894 | 0.824746 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 3.723368 | 0.473350 | -0.338419 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.315220 | 2.080876 | -0.654708 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 3.908674 | -0.858987 | 0.071874 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.899420 | -2.613899 | 0.838201 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.583905 | 1.069222 | -0.643891 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 4.900682 | -1.306462 | 0.089723 |
| 14 | 6 | 0 | -1.292575 | 0.310911 | -0.011044 |
| 15 | 6 | 0 | -1.507232 | -1.024931 | -0.452514 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -2.456350 | 1.046156 | 0.357551 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.780614 | -1.591287 | -0.479602 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -0.671451 | -1.608888 | -0.824481 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | -3.723433 | 0.473313 | 0.338244 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -2.315348 | 2.080851 | 0.654762 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -3.908664 | -0.859023 | -0.072086 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -2.899276 | -2.613922 | -0.838269 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -4.584022 | 1.069173 | 0.643593 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -4.900664 | -1.306508 | -0.090085 |

21: CF₃ radical.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -337.575706492 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -337.676881 a.u.

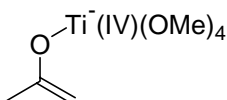
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.000000 | 0.000213 | 0.330477 |
| 2 | 9 | 0 | -1.096968 | -0.633102 | -0.073424 |

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|---|---|---|----------|-----------|-----------|
| 3 | 9 | 0 | 1.096928 | -0.633171 | -0.073424 |
| 4 | 9 | 0 | 0.000040 | 1.266130 | -0.073469 |

22: Ti ate enolate.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -711.435921430 a.u.

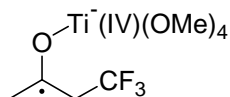
G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -711.450729 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 1.101738 | -0.753450 | -0.556630 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 2.424185 | -0.678294 | -0.425117 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.949362 | -0.973443 | 0.965385 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.252016 | -0.407531 | -1.464800 |
| 5 | 22 | 0 | -0.436419 | 0.150776 | 0.239732 |
| 6 | 8 | 0 | -1.461617 | -1.124914 | -0.749385 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | -1.261352 | -1.896130 | -1.886656 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.810159 | -2.853516 | -1.807798 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -0.191949 | -2.118490 | -2.032188 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -1.628751 | -1.384658 | -2.798399 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | -1.333702 | 1.566691 | -0.622761 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | -2.440277 | 1.586523 | -1.470585 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.173058 | 2.029411 | -2.447721 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -3.246442 | 2.207248 | -1.037786 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.838677 | 0.574692 | -1.643528 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.709384 | 1.431475 | 1.001165 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.237455 | 2.641390 | 0.565399 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.565922 | 3.247646 | 1.429248 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 0.480839 | 3.216268 | 0.003545 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | 2.112674 | 2.489923 | -0.090690 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | -1.126825 | -0.454094 | 1.850528 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -2.040739 | -1.457754 | 2.176266 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -2.410220 | -1.966162 | 1.272318 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -2.902055 | -1.030942 | 2.720107 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -1.568650 | -2.207195 | 2.835902 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 2.609259 | -1.966509 | 1.290202 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 2.539427 | -0.240212 | 1.669658 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 4.045053 | -0.944126 | 1.004831 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 2.851957 | -0.190877 | -2.451830 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 4.330312 | -0.393801 | -1.332675 |

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23: Ti ate ketyl radical.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.078676760 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.172280 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -0.479992 | 0.030411 | -0.475963 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.460690 | -0.827764 | -0.440569 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -1.302583 | -2.173519 | 0.209354 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -2.795869 | -0.373302 | -0.971713 |
| 5 | 22 | 0 | 1.484252 | 0.098495 | -0.130361 |
| 6 | 8 | 0 | 1.409293 | 1.938090 | -0.487046 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 0.392013 | 2.892421 | -0.512613 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0.362848 | 3.465590 | 0.431485 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -0.594336 | 2.427285 | -0.659125 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 0.567296 | 3.610920 | -1.333225 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | 3.375821 | 0.226826 | 0.084059 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | 4.135521 | 1.270719 | 0.603026 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 5.195761 | 1.159910 | 0.309328 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.102107 | 1.296896 | 1.709806 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.770135 | 2.245203 | 0.236427 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 1.729670 | -1.242422 | -1.424641 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.871588 | -1.823221 | -1.979032 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 2.851600 | -2.919931 | -1.840983 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 3.788800 | -1.428083 | -1.515361 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | 2.916533 | -1.629306 | -3.066307 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | 1.202354 | -0.502736 | 1.623073 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | 2.067870 | -1.104373 | 2.537825 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 1.978215 | -0.618621 | 3.526048 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | 3.118381 | -1.041535 | 2.211280 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 1.814605 | -2.172129 | 2.671877 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -1.339969 | -2.117331 | 1.310579 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -0.326184 | -2.599294 | -0.053081 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -2.093263 | -2.866404 | -0.112440 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -2.639017 | 0.425903 | -1.706903 |
| 30 | 6 | 0 | -3.773627 | 0.181974 | 0.054565 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -3.336241 | -1.195582 | -1.465597 |
| 32 | 9 | 0 | -4.114890 | -0.732718 | 1.006439 |
| 33 | 9 | 0 | -4.959785 | 0.563733 | -0.532657 |
| 34 | 9 | 0 | -3.313470 | 1.272389 | 0.709908 |

24: Li enolate without solvent.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



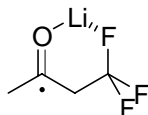
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -200.106838202 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -200.155226 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -1.133263 | -0.048423 | 0.013214 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 0.182432 | 0.123535 | 0.002514 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 0.787623 | 1.335337 | -0.003290 |
| 4 | 3 | 0 | -2.748241 | -0.178463 | -0.021793 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 0.202685 | 2.251609 | 0.002020 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 1.869119 | 1.424389 | -0.011698 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 0.982806 | -1.164804 | -0.002529 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0.722698 | -1.768765 | -0.882797 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 0.736727 | -1.766259 | 0.883386 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.062434 | -0.982616 | -0.011413 |

25: Li ketyl radical without solvent.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -537.752166162 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -537.867652 a.u.

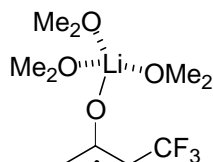
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|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 1.537134 | 1.258773 | -0.008221 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.447203 | -0.060938 | 0.070010 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.720848 | -0.860929 | 0.064988 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 0.224922 | -0.697904 | -0.565396 |
| 5 | 3 | 0 | 0.218800 | 2.326840 | -0.102047 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 3.436657 | -0.428428 | 0.773925 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 3.213165 | -0.848355 | -0.929197 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 2.555759 | -1.910943 | 0.338087 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 0.163551 | -0.493813 | -1.656655 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -1.098474 | -0.233224 | 0.003697 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 0.229250 | -1.787183 | -0.443217 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | -1.237431 | -0.419693 | 1.324643 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | -2.164291 | -0.795988 | -0.601446 |

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14 9 0 -1.300372 1.164124 -0.184401

26: Li ketyl radical with three dimethyl ether.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1002.90755121 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1002.872851 a.u.

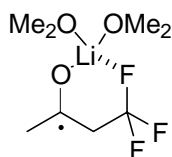
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.218648 | 1.231941 | -0.268084 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.450117 | 1.689553 | -0.170878 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.640211 | 3.184523 | -0.067899 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.540882 | 0.904335 | -0.877043 |
| 5 | 3 | 0 | -1.083264 | 0.065486 | -0.030916 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 0.969844 | 3.603746 | 0.693624 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 1.397103 | 3.702722 | -1.021388 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 2.668836 | 3.458680 | 0.198866 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.204955 | 0.577735 | -1.879736 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 2.995845 | -0.352358 | -0.162941 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.446817 | 1.506893 | -1.014058 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | 3.578501 | -0.101049 | 1.038886 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | 3.923892 | -1.041878 | -0.896538 |
| 14 | 9 | 0 | 1.985621 | -1.235968 | 0.079331 |
| 15 | 8 | 0 | -1.390420 | -1.622580 | -1.127031 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -0.709358 | -2.833050 | -0.801227 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.497014 | -1.418018 | -2.533995 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 0.299236 | -2.840012 | -1.232726 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.631725 | -2.874100 | 0.286334 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -1.276104 | -3.700407 | -1.169598 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -2.082055 | -2.226640 | -2.996040 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -2.004100 | -0.462742 | -2.680919 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -0.501635 | -1.377274 | -2.996697 |
| 24 | 8 | 0 | -2.831225 | 1.017242 | -0.492121 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | -4.167738 | 0.544844 | -0.457654 |
| 26 | 6 | 0 | -2.733941 | 2.441290 | -0.568873 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -4.719434 | 0.866499 | -1.353682 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -4.126259 | -0.546875 | -0.432591 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -4.694238 | 0.914934 | 0.435007 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -3.216459 | 2.905089 | 0.303799 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -1.666576 | 2.669125 | -0.579303 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | -3.217622 | 2.805966 | -1.486611 |
| 33 | 8 | 0 | -1.159188 | -0.599549 | 1.878492 |
| 34 | 6 | 0 | -2.152974 | -1.347961 | 2.559114 |
| 35 | 6 | 0 | -0.155475 | -0.070749 | 2.751366 |

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| 36 | 1 | 0 | -2.688247 | -0.719737 | 3.286703 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | -2.858540 | -1.714813 | 1.809345 |
| 38 | 1 | 0 | -1.707117 | -2.203483 | 3.088237 |
| 39 | 1 | 0 | 0.386508 | -0.888828 | 3.245602 |
| 40 | 1 | 0 | 0.526378 | 0.512002 | 2.131174 |
| 41 | 1 | 0 | -0.617746 | 0.574231 | 3.512424 |

27: Li ketyl radical with two dimethyl ethers and internal coordination.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -847.865727235 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -847.869804 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -0.320944 | -0.820916 | 1.268313 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.638628 | -0.762525 | 1.178350 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.449404 | -1.368605 | 2.296660 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -2.240650 | -0.874101 | -0.213096 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | -2.049601 | -1.050027 | 3.266922 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -2.404561 | -2.479133 | 2.287217 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -3.508764 | -1.084240 | 2.249511 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.983731 | -1.839332 | -0.699600 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -1.797744 | 0.194461 | -1.188278 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.334466 | -0.813043 | -0.180090 |
| 11 | 9 | 0 | -2.088942 | 1.454970 | -0.792067 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | -2.357790 | 0.034267 | -2.416847 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | -0.429144 | 0.183953 | -1.417549 |
| 14 | 3 | 0 | 0.912951 | -0.072748 | 0.235292 |
| 15 | 8 | 0 | 2.346615 | -1.294246 | -0.292561 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | 3.485579 | -1.160319 | -1.130251 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.189342 | -2.612115 | 0.247370 |
| 18 | 8 | 0 | 1.380925 | 1.776426 | 0.699932 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | 2.067928 | 2.795104 | -0.012912 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | 0.615548 | 2.279047 | 1.803219 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 3.418966 | -1.842828 | -1.989247 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 3.509540 | -0.128968 | -1.490893 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 4.407765 | -1.371510 | -0.570377 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | 3.061264 | -2.873814 | 0.862659 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 1.283562 | -2.587337 | 0.857267 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 2.081086 | -3.342934 | -0.565995 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 2.775920 | 3.318610 | 0.645329 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.618723 | 2.314879 | -0.825719 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 1.359610 | 3.521673 | -0.435148 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -0.119219 | 3.014680 | 1.450277 |

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31      1      0      0.100210   1.421123   2.237772
32      1      0      1.283133   2.745940   2.540566

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28: dimethyl ether.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



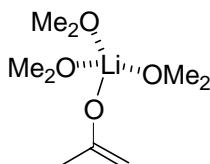
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -155.031474215 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -155.008580 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.000000 | 0.587414 | 0.000000 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.177447 | -0.195599 | 0.000000 |
| 3 | 1 | 0 | 1.234172 | -0.836088 | -0.895386 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 2.023739 | 0.496096 | -0.000011 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 1.234182 | -0.836072 | 0.895397 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.177447 | -0.195599 | 0.000000 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -1.234176 | -0.836081 | 0.895390 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.023739 | 0.496096 | 0.000002 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -1.234178 | -0.836078 | -0.895393 |

29: Li enolate with three dimethyl ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -665.272285045 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -665.153754 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -2.623695 | -0.013774 | -0.128250 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -2.984413 | 0.108764 | -1.442028 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | -1.390430 | -0.060862 | 0.313965 |
| 4 | 3 | 0 | 0.349422 | 0.000979 | 0.061788 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.694307 | -0.108957 | 0.950828 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -4.027009 | 0.139288 | -1.743493 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -2.233261 | 0.175651 | -2.227179 |
| 8 | 8 | 0 | 0.978950 | 1.750579 | -0.695672 |
| 9 | 8 | 0 | 1.279184 | -0.145578 | 1.872715 |
| 10 | 8 | 0 | 1.028758 | -1.591155 | -0.965668 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | -0.063710 | 2.585544 | -1.210821 |

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| 12 | 6 | 0 | 2.280357 | 2.204837 | -1.029773 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 0.015086 | 3.595136 | -0.782775 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 0.006131 | 2.648658 | -2.305885 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -1.010099 | 2.123183 | -0.926925 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 2.450480 | 3.221531 | -0.645471 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 2.995106 | 1.520570 | -0.565350 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 2.428822 | 2.206387 | -2.119866 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | 0.891883 | -1.374589 | 2.489183 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | 0.945806 | 0.983437 | 2.680124 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 2.345749 | -1.987954 | -1.311173 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | 0.013525 | -2.353231 | -1.626934 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 1.399457 | -1.490810 | 3.457609 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -0.196542 | -1.406813 | 2.625450 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 1.196483 | -2.178530 | 1.816229 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 2.534288 | -1.835396 | -2.384382 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 3.036189 | -1.373137 | -0.728068 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.511570 | -3.047953 | -1.067722 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 1.464029 | 0.925796 | 3.648246 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 1.276937 | 1.872272 | 2.139308 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -0.139288 | 1.035431 | 2.837858 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 0.113559 | -2.254552 | -2.717129 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | 0.096365 | -3.413863 | -1.349355 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | -0.946422 | -1.949076 | -1.302790 |
| 35 | 1 | 0 | -3.580010 | -1.049290 | 1.507663 |
| 36 | 1 | 0 | -4.710592 | -0.063481 | 0.543899 |
| 37 | 1 | 0 | -3.568410 | 0.707728 | 1.675107 |

30: naked enolate.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -192.564643602 a.u.

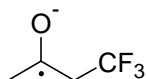
G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -192.645291 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -0.194521 | 1.387578 | -0.000050 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -0.133951 | 0.110626 | 0.000187 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -1.192702 | -0.790016 | -0.000012 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | -2.221202 | -0.430819 | -0.000163 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | -1.028681 | -1.866350 | -0.000065 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.295130 | -0.483702 | -0.000032 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 1.841205 | -0.121043 | 0.883155 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.841157 | -0.120499 | -0.883023 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.312823 | -1.583356 | -0.000368 |

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31: naked ketyl radical.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2



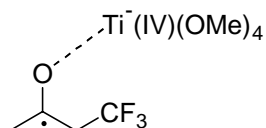
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -530.207588448 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -530.361880 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -2.354705 | -1.189699 | 0.098145 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.513439 | -0.210218 | 0.072558 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.045998 | 1.209800 | -0.008869 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.204228 | -0.451378 | -0.682975 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | -2.908821 | 1.324660 | 0.657393 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -2.405745 | 1.439192 | -1.047134 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -1.300157 | 1.974067 | 0.244005 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -0.119105 | -1.529098 | -0.858546 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | 1.076731 | -0.028193 | -0.010126 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -0.192619 | 0.046912 | -1.685007 |
| 11 | 9 | 0 | 1.160452 | 1.313307 | 0.237061 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | 2.185881 | -0.316179 | -0.784801 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | 1.307632 | -0.648039 | 1.178919 |

32: TS of Ti(III) elimination from Ti ate ketyl radical (23).

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.065633820 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.166297 a.u.

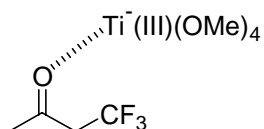
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.670896 | 0.614106 | -0.965456 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.399868 | -0.255104 | -0.487095 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.357529 | -1.686399 | -0.968879 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.411735 | 0.133465 | 0.599539 |
| 5 | 22 | 0 | -1.733732 | 0.187793 | -0.103562 |
| 6 | 8 | 0 | -1.950233 | 1.954916 | -0.709443 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | -1.433269 | 3.228141 | -0.521346 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.951181 | 3.956929 | -1.172369 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -0.356954 | 3.269263 | -0.764883 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -1.555424 | 3.578058 | 0.522063 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | -3.190046 | 0.059620 | 1.156796 |

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| 12 | 6 | 0 | -4.523066 | 0.320465 | 0.846727 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -5.184701 | -0.012906 | 1.669482 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.863655 | -0.198634 | -0.072428 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -4.706443 | 1.400701 | 0.691397 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -0.453629 | -0.489030 | 1.204034 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -0.717791 | -1.241979 | 2.350912 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -0.576926 | -2.326351 | 2.168658 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.748954 | -1.091991 | 2.707533 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -0.026432 | -0.960060 | 3.169762 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | -1.999953 | -1.189141 | -1.395116 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -2.811458 | -2.321169 | -1.396729 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -3.377800 | -2.398047 | -2.344060 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -3.543713 | -2.320311 | -0.569553 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -2.210971 | -3.247137 | -1.302772 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 2.074742 | -1.820936 | -1.793045 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 0.349129 | -1.893990 | -1.341084 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 1.623855 | -2.393285 | -0.175244 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 2.157767 | 1.136222 | 0.950751 |
| 30 | 6 | 0 | 3.858056 | 0.148807 | 0.161591 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 2.333501 | -0.560597 | 1.442810 |
| 32 | 9 | 0 | 4.322512 | -1.082768 | -0.196941 |
| 33 | 9 | 0 | 4.680934 | 0.580404 | 1.166298 |
| 34 | 9 | 0 | 4.089928 | 0.967977 | -0.896413 |

33: Ti(III)(OMe)₄ coordinated with α -CF₃ ketone.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.07971125 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.180602 a.u.

This structure has imaginary frequency (-29 cm⁻¹) corresponding to the rotation of Me group on the ligand.

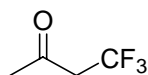
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 2.846884 | -2.527250 | -0.703254 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 2.377956 | -1.591007 | -0.074169 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.762876 | -1.762733 | 1.292086 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.350953 | -0.190776 | -0.705231 |
| 5 | 22 | 0 | -1.961143 | -0.132467 | -0.035390 |
| 6 | 8 | 0 | -2.286743 | -1.303431 | -1.490118 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | -2.599010 | -1.084140 | -2.831852 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -3.122352 | -1.961049 | -3.254468 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -1.690816 | -0.919127 | -3.440164 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.256828 | -0.206970 | -2.975536 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | -3.454898 | 1.070052 | 0.148984 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 12 | 6 | 0 | -4.763032 | 0.738742 | 0.504789 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -5.101333 | 1.332941 | 1.375240 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.884328 | -0.329171 | 0.774957 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -5.468970 | 0.945708 | -0.322173 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -0.496040 | 1.077117 | -0.425227 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -0.539959 | 2.478836 | -0.469410 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 0.097167 | 2.923362 | 0.317791 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.564570 | 2.860419 | -0.330610 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -0.165678 | 2.854563 | -1.439894 |
| 21 | 8 | 0 | -1.557221 | -0.975153 | 1.633482 |
| 22 | 6 | 0 | -1.508666 | -0.442315 | 2.924066 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -1.763908 | -1.215066 | 3.671858 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -2.214564 | 0.396648 | 3.061740 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -0.498865 | -0.065158 | 3.173043 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 1.943626 | -2.779190 | 1.651320 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 0.677636 | -1.576445 | 1.244612 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.170273 | -1.031406 | 1.999792 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 2.578027 | -0.301280 | -1.769308 |
| 30 | 6 | 0 | 3.377296 | 0.760321 | -0.137401 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 1.353289 | 0.278635 | -0.590125 |
| 32 | 9 | 0 | 3.154706 | 1.092610 | 1.162938 |
| 33 | 9 | 0 | 3.407103 | 1.929089 | -0.833949 |
| 34 | 9 | 0 | 4.648301 | 0.259923 | -0.184287 |

34: α -CF₃ ketone.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



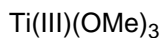
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -530.215605952 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -530.297350 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -1.405038 | 1.316070 | -0.012039 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.480468 | 0.105218 | -0.032304 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.805060 | -0.631361 | 0.025441 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.241329 | -0.795666 | -0.114842 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 1.094891 | -0.086418 | 0.001002 |
| 6 | 9 | 0 | 2.105865 | -1.000771 | -0.052875 |
| 7 | 9 | 0 | 1.227464 | 0.573511 | 1.171927 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | 1.308092 | 0.791229 | -1.000563 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.863738 | -1.409806 | -0.745233 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.626252 | 0.077928 | -0.097795 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.907360 | -1.131634 | 0.997971 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -0.287778 | -1.559035 | 0.670956 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -0.255572 | -1.332369 | -1.071750 |

35: Ti(III)(OMe)₃.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -403.632481061 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -403.632335 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 22 | 0 | -0.001843 | -0.003350 | 0.003542 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | -0.823010 | 1.600055 | 0.006221 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | 1.797063 | -0.093163 | -0.003746 |
| 4 | 8 | 0 | -0.978698 | -1.516959 | 0.004608 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -1.514598 | 2.815303 | 0.002614 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -1.132418 | 3.467675 | -0.794652 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -2.587787 | 2.647382 | -0.163780 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.384409 | 3.327686 | 0.965791 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -1.681052 | -2.725998 | 0.000760 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -0.994211 | -3.570402 | -0.150399 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.202158 | -2.864021 | 0.958154 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -2.426543 | -2.729615 | -0.806400 |
| 13 | 6 | 0 | 3.195309 | -0.088346 | -0.009221 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.572547 | -0.595450 | -0.907968 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.577219 | 0.942041 | -0.000046 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 3.579682 | -0.614034 | 0.875714 |

36: methoxide anion.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -115.109825010 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -115.221350 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.000013 | 0.543555 | 0.000000 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.030803 | 1.036913 | 0.000000 |
| 3 | 1 | 0 | -0.515494 | 1.036729 | 0.892694 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | -0.515494 | 1.036729 | -0.892694 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | 0.000013 | -0.796463 | 0.000000 |

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37: Ti(IV)(OMe)₄.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1

Ti(IV)(OMe)₄

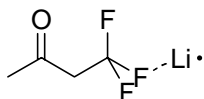
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.825262428 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -518.809260 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 22 | 0 | -0.013181 | 0.018412 | -0.019730 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | -1.141358 | 1.221388 | 0.696364 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | 1.139643 | 0.860095 | -1.117957 |
| 4 | 8 | 0 | 0.939777 | -0.812207 | 1.261696 |
| 5 | 8 | 0 | -0.970880 | -1.215939 | -0.913231 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.422865 | 2.466058 | 1.277614 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | -0.951441 | 3.277501 | 0.705666 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.508853 | 2.627185 | 1.288379 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -1.052821 | 2.498404 | 2.311795 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 1.201836 | -2.007787 | 1.951914 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 0.731737 | -2.863371 | 1.447565 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 2.285893 | -2.175667 | 1.999355 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 0.812462 | -1.940655 | 2.976679 |
| 14 | 6 | 0 | -2.176576 | -1.564980 | -1.543287 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.093992 | -1.409852 | -2.627620 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -2.393967 | -2.624793 | -1.356179 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | -3.008940 | -0.959106 | -1.159039 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 2.451101 | 1.025831 | -1.588083 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 2.648931 | 2.092375 | -1.759144 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | 3.179866 | 0.642804 | -0.859793 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 2.582660 | 0.488691 | -2.537518 |

38: Li radical coordinated to fluorine of α -CF₃ ketone.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=2



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -537.707925331 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -537.822498 a.u.

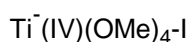
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -1.722161 | -1.158558 | 0.262627 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.634076 | 0.029640 | 0.033059 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.837880 | 0.943198 | -0.063787 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.276267 | 0.721458 | -0.172293 |
| 5 | 3 | 0 | 3.208297 | 2.099953 | 0.484469 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.921300 | -0.197522 | -0.063543 |
| 7 | 9 | 0 | 0.948992 | -1.155108 | -0.996983 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | 1.058446 | -0.762396 | 1.142077 |
| 9 | 9 | 0 | 2.095106 | 0.553936 | -0.267198 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.751143 | 0.361988 | 0.079080 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.868018 | 1.442338 | -1.040779 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -2.782143 | 1.731606 | 0.698148 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -0.251265 | 1.198949 | -1.158693 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -0.156395 | 1.525189 | 0.566147 |

42: Ti(IV)(OMe)₄ with I.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -530.309596934 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -530.356199 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 53 | 0 | 2.139617 | -0.090753 | -0.047275 |
| 2 | 22 | 0 | -0.960405 | 0.022731 | -0.077527 |
| 3 | 8 | 0 | -0.763480 | -1.767782 | 0.317522 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -0.141993 | -2.738556 | 1.093136 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | -0.509353 | -3.739839 | 0.808742 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | -0.363112 | -2.583808 | 2.163447 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 0.949229 | -2.708483 | 0.957830 |
| 8 | 8 | 0 | -2.159049 | -0.275487 | -1.451545 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | -2.940035 | -1.404777 | -1.726812 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.030387 | -1.531595 | -2.818412 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.956414 | -1.283388 | -1.314548 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -2.496384 | -2.314176 | -1.295444 |
| 13 | 8 | 0 | -0.631872 | 1.774887 | -0.522543 |
| 14 | 6 | 0 | 0.148816 | 2.903733 | -0.728861 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 0.034537 | 3.617866 | 0.105872 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.163575 | 3.413348 | -1.656614 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 1.211663 | 2.634437 | -0.808701 |
| 18 | 8 | 0 | -1.896256 | 0.391180 | 1.476367 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | -2.471683 | 1.587085 | 1.921035 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -2.083062 | 2.457520 | 1.372391 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -2.261970 | 1.722191 | 2.995203 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -3.567335 | 1.558488 | 1.791995 |

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43: iodide ion.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -11.4721100599 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -11.574630 a.u.

44: lithium iodide.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



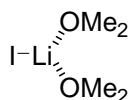
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -18.9856260611 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -19.069770 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | -2.304908 |
| 2 | 53 | 0 | 0.000000 | 0.000000 | 0.130466 |

45: lithium iodide with two ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -329.111276397 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/6311+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -329.068807 a.u.

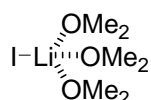
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | 0.705191 | 0.017632 | -0.041124 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 1.508216 | 1.786119 | -0.032824 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.379520 | 2.472743 | 1.218100 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | 1.698078 | 1.780303 | 2.000951 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 2.027623 | 3.358813 | 1.228428 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 0.336710 | 2.765835 | 1.390696 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 1.126716 | 2.606072 | -1.145548 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.765975 | 3.497517 | -1.188966 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.270045 | 2.009888 | -2.049477 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 0.072502 | 2.896269 | -1.063996 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | 1.962111 | -1.416199 | -0.012816 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | 3.381695 | -1.323806 | -0.103257 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.853164 | -1.782680 | 0.776390 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.742201 | -1.825205 | -1.011673 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.635178 | -0.262170 | -0.144223 |

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| 16 | 6 | 0 | 1.479777 | -2.765986 | 0.046181 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 1.779391 | -3.311932 | -0.857831 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.881985 | -3.269704 | 0.934755 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 0.391174 | -2.708779 | 0.105378 |
| 20 | 53 | 0 | -1.821480 | -0.228199 | 0.005193 |

46: lithium iodide with three ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -484.157595545 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -484.075546 a.u.

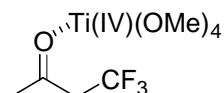
This structure has imaginary frequencies (-30, -13 cm⁻¹) corresponding to vibration of ether.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 3 | 0 | 0.554592 | 0.003410 | -0.000159 |
| 2 | 8 | 0 | 1.349977 | -1.601561 | -0.889571 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 0.591525 | -2.253378 | -1.913921 |
| 4 | 1 | 0 | -0.186647 | -1.556792 | -2.228388 |
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 1.245705 | -2.516132 | -2.757297 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 0.114715 | -3.158465 | -1.516580 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 2.336305 | -2.446463 | -0.308424 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 3.075449 | -2.754370 | -1.062135 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.829093 | -1.874663 | 0.480352 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 1.871385 | -3.342598 | 0.126196 |
| 11 | 8 | 0 | 1.328991 | 1.593900 | -0.933611 |
| 12 | 6 | 0 | 2.258125 | 1.516861 | -2.008591 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.001967 | 2.323382 | -1.935971 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 2.755402 | 0.547596 | -1.937855 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 1.739318 | 1.591261 | -2.974686 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | 0.570813 | 2.808282 | -0.940736 |
| 17 | 1 | 0 | 1.236311 | 3.668480 | -0.780923 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 0.040066 | 2.919790 | -1.894644 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.163845 | 2.732402 | -0.138151 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.319927 | 0.025251 | 1.846623 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 0.580605 | -0.624854 | 2.885313 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | 1.265932 | -1.164180 | 3.554556 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 0.001458 | 0.110670 | 3.457466 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -0.112280 | -1.315773 | 2.403462 |
| 25 | 6 | 0 | 2.186956 | 1.041125 | 2.338006 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 1.617173 | 1.804294 | 2.886523 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 2.948210 | 0.610800 | 3.004609 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.669587 | 1.499794 | 1.472827 |
| 29 | 53 | 0 | -2.089621 | -0.009922 | -0.012383 |

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50: Ti(IV)(OMe)₄ coordinated to α -CF₃ ketone.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



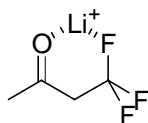
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.04423485 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -1049.085490 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | -0.598111 | 0.442411 | -0.620787 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -1.573640 | -0.290997 | -0.571671 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -1.487279 | -1.738896 | -0.170753 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -2.932486 | 0.299605 | -0.972384 |
| 5 | 22 | 0 | 1.819124 | 0.031830 | 0.006851 |
| 6 | 8 | 0 | 1.898262 | 1.749724 | -0.543667 |
| 7 | 6 | 0 | 1.324912 | 2.988238 | -0.861020 |
| 8 | 8 | 0 | 3.540258 | -0.235124 | 0.476668 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | 4.736669 | 0.506481 | 0.533388 |
| 10 | 8 | 0 | 1.594354 | -1.262406 | -1.278870 |
| 11 | 6 | 0 | 2.460944 | -2.078037 | -2.031161 |
| 12 | 8 | 0 | 0.950852 | -0.343465 | 1.573539 |
| 13 | 6 | 0 | 1.336232 | -0.699813 | 2.880003 |
| 14 | 6 | 0 | -4.028350 | 0.176637 | 0.071607 |
| 15 | 9 | 0 | -4.401140 | -1.109505 | 0.293952 |
| 16 | 9 | 0 | -5.139830 | 0.845824 | -0.321272 |
| 17 | 9 | 0 | -3.649523 | 0.691857 | 1.265351 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -1.671636 | -1.812408 | 0.909217 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.479934 | -2.106126 | -0.374782 |
| 20 | 1 | 0 | -2.241559 | -2.346960 | -0.678717 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -2.794422 | 1.361066 | -1.190718 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -3.290544 | -0.202326 | -1.879837 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | 1.259365 | 3.622002 | 0.034628 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | 0.315557 | 2.849195 | -1.269752 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | 1.944553 | 3.500742 | -1.609647 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | 5.096277 | 0.551867 | 1.570131 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 4.574845 | 1.527964 | 0.162903 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 5.504776 | 0.017547 | -0.080553 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 2.006963 | -3.070219 | -2.167303 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | 3.429727 | -2.202127 | -1.526144 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | 2.634523 | -1.639276 | -3.024590 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | 1.083715 | 0.109040 | 3.580188 |
| 33 | 1 | 0 | 2.416439 | -0.895422 | 2.937656 |
| 34 | 1 | 0 | 0.798150 | -1.606829 | 3.191206 |

51: Li⁺ coordinated to α -CF₃ ketone.

Charge=1, Multiplicity=1



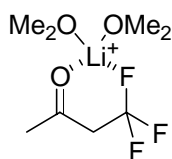
E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -537.578593175 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -537.762120 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 1.354071 | 1.199231 | 0.046080 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.464499 | -0.024579 | -0.066764 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.788408 | -0.708284 | 0.035955 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 0.240491 | -0.899114 | -0.330145 |
| 5 | 3 | 0 | -0.051013 | 2.386487 | -0.138242 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.088406 | -0.255366 | 0.018738 |
| 7 | 9 | 0 | -1.167336 | 0.088325 | 1.317074 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | -2.124496 | -1.016402 | -0.298172 |
| 9 | 9 | 0 | -1.263672 | 0.957433 | -0.684509 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.602563 | 0.011717 | -0.065155 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.884094 | -1.510573 | -0.704809 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 2.858121 | -1.184071 | 1.026119 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 0.231186 | -1.171128 | -1.394833 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 0.314095 | -1.839397 | 0.228519 |

52: Li⁺ coordinated to α -CF₃ ketone with two dimethyl ethers.

Charge=1, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -847.721222700 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -847.769066 a.u.

This structure has imaginary frequency (-17 cm^{-1}) corresponding to vibration of ether

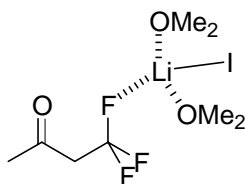
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 0.583984 | 0.948132 | 1.090125 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.798148 | 1.095690 | 0.985318 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.596069 | 1.864852 | 1.995687 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.567515 | 0.519881 | -0.203151 |

Experimental Section

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 5 | 1 | 0 | 1.936169 | 2.422341 | 2.662830 |
| 6 | 1 | 0 | 3.307508 | 2.540882 | 1.506185 |
| 7 | 1 | 0 | 3.192476 | 1.158039 | 2.590454 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 2.705660 | 1.321427 | -0.941648 |
| 9 | 6 | 0 | 1.894510 | -0.653514 | -0.889483 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.569703 | 0.201922 | 0.103604 |
| 11 | 9 | 0 | 1.727111 | -1.698898 | -0.052193 |
| 12 | 9 | 0 | 2.594930 | -1.071600 | -1.949567 |
| 13 | 9 | 0 | 0.634486 | -0.325479 | -1.351965 |
| 14 | 3 | 0 | -0.902762 | 0.154120 | 0.133826 |
| 15 | 8 | 0 | -2.127578 | 1.402720 | -0.610922 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -3.276682 | 0.988696 | -1.366372 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.988822 | 2.829595 | -0.557819 |
| 18 | 8 | 0 | -1.691188 | -1.469268 | 0.760065 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | -1.542602 | -2.781877 | 0.197123 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | -2.385094 | -1.484439 | 2.016972 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -3.185272 | 1.318942 | -2.408028 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -3.316072 | -0.101380 | -1.325618 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -4.189406 | 1.405860 | -0.924539 |
| 24 | 1 | 0 | -2.878567 | 3.279086 | -0.100967 |
| 25 | 1 | 0 | -1.114203 | 3.048815 | 0.057573 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -1.846988 | 3.236180 | -1.566613 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -2.527656 | -3.233973 | 0.030794 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -1.023066 | -2.673250 | -0.756366 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -0.951666 | -3.417548 | 0.867074 |
| 30 | 1 | 0 | -1.831771 | -2.084701 | 2.749164 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -2.453819 | -0.451755 | 2.366325 |
| 32 | 1 | 0 | -3.393476 | -1.895439 | 1.888017 |

53: Li-I coordinated to fluorine of α -CF₃ ketone with two dimethyl ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



E(UB3LYP/631+LAN) = -847.721222700 a.u.

G(sol,-78)(UB3LYP/631+LAN//UB3LYP/631+LAN) = -847.769066 a.u.

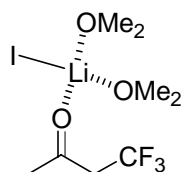
| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|---------------|---------------|-------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 8 | 0 | 2.730238 | 0.255257 | 1.649798 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 2.907694 | -0.302975 | 0.582525 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.506797 | -1.684309 | 0.466831 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.497935 | 0.333597 | -0.748780 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 1.812446 | 1.675281 | -0.639586 |
| 6 | 9 | 0 | 1.436075 | 2.126866 | -1.863757 |
| 7 | 9 | 0 | 2.579176 | 2.632847 | -0.085636 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | 0.658398 | 1.616533 | 0.108491 |

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| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.711149 | -2.382225 | 0.170874 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.921278 | -1.991902 | 1.429318 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.281590 | -1.722842 | -0.308540 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.381727 | 0.460969 | -1.385828 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.814525 | -0.355593 | -1.263996 |
| 14 | 3 | 0 | -1.144588 | 0.321320 | 0.270190 |
| 15 | 8 | 0 | -2.342281 | 1.498406 | -0.688962 |
| 16 | 6 | 0 | -2.583317 | 2.851330 | -0.308262 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.744340 | 1.206674 | -2.032159 |
| 18 | 8 | 0 | -1.504062 | 0.511700 | 2.175533 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | -2.755840 | -0.043534 | 2.587323 |
| 20 | 6 | 0 | -0.449922 | 0.232550 | 3.108042 |
| 21 | 53 | 0 | -0.617631 | -2.056927 | -0.687309 |
| 22 | 1 | 0 | -2.253973 | 2.959291 | 0.727391 |
| 23 | 1 | 0 | -2.016825 | 3.540071 | -0.949481 |
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| 25 | 1 | 0 | -2.199349 | 1.846815 | -2.738588 |
| 26 | 1 | 0 | -2.498546 | 0.159014 | -2.214359 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -3.824785 | 1.368327 | -2.144402 |
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| 30 | 1 | 0 | -3.496670 | 0.232121 | 1.833399 |
| 31 | 1 | 0 | -0.693272 | 0.671363 | 4.084719 |
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54: Li-I coordinated to oxygen of α -CF₃ ketone with two dimethyl ethers.

Charge=0, Multiplicity=1



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55: anion radical of Me-I.

Charge=-1, Multiplicity=2

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E(UB3LYP/631+LAN)= -51.3194021287 a.u.

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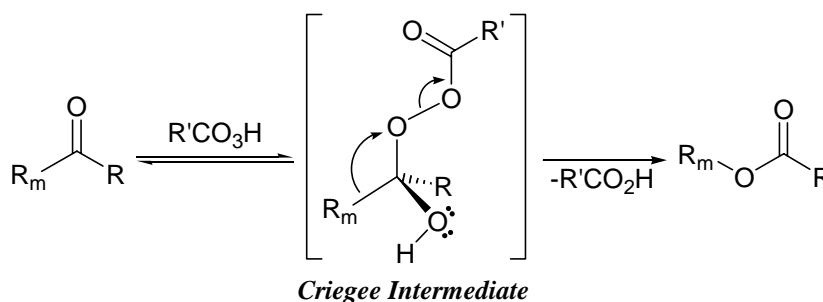
Chapter 7

Baeyer-Villiger Reaction of α -CF₃ Ketone

7-1. Introduction.

The Baeyer-Villiger (B-V) reaction¹ has been widely employed in organic synthesis by virtue of the unique transformation; an oxygen atom can be inserted regioselectively and stereospecifically into the carbon-carbon single bond (Scheme 7-1).²

Scheme 7-1.

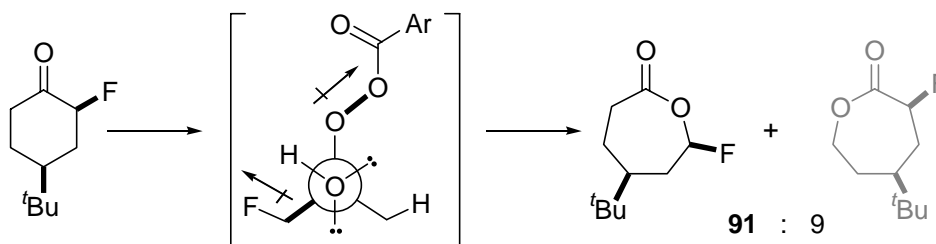


However, the regiochemistry of the B-V reaction of ketone bearing non-hydrocarbon functionality is quite unexplored. Interesting stereoelectronic effects were reported for ketones which are functionalized with fluorine substituents,³ but only for α -F ketones. Special effects of fluorine atom on the B-V reaction are worth investigating further. In view of the author's research interest for the synthesis and the reaction of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds, the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketones⁴ should be investigated⁵ because not only of the interesting stereoelectronic effect but also of exploring the further functionalization of α -CF₃ ketone which the author have succeed in developing the synthetic methodology (Chapter 4 and 5).

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- (3) (a) Smissman, E. E.; Li, J. P.; Israili, Z. H. *J. Org. Chem.* **1968**, *33*, 4231-4236. (b) Shiozaki, M.; Arai, M. *J. Org. Chem.* **1989**, *54*, 3754-3755. (c) Kitazume, T.; Kataoka, J. *J. Fluorine Chem.* **1996**, *80*, 157-158. (d) Crudden C. M.; Chen, A. C.; Calhoun, L. A. *Angew. Chem. Int. Ed.* **2000**, *39*, 2852-2855. (e) Kobayashi, S.; Tanaka, H.; Amii, H.; Uneyama, K. *Tetrahedron* **2003**, *59*, 1547-1552.
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Crudden has reported the B-V reaction of α -F_{eq} cyclohexanone and the migration takes place preferentially at the carbon bearing F substituent based on dipole interaction at the Criegee intermediate (Scheme 7-2).

Scheme 7-2.



On the basis of the result of Crudden's α -F_{eq} ketone, one might predict that α -CF₃ ketones should provide a similar trend for migration of the CF₃-bearing carbon because of the equatorial orientation of the sterically demanding CF₃ group.⁶

The B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketone is reported in this chapter.

7-2. B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone by trifluoroperacetic acid.

First of all, the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone was investigated by using trifluoroperacetic acid (TFPA) as an oxidant which has high reactivity in the B-V reaction. TFPA could be prepared by two methods.⁷

(A) Reaction of trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) with aqueous hydrogen peroxide.⁸

(B) Reaction of trifluoroacetic anhydride (TFAA) with aqueous hydrogen peroxide.⁹

The results of the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone by two kinds of TFPA are listed in Table 7-1. When the TFPA prepared by the method (A) was used, the reaction did not give the product at all (entries 1, and 2). However, the B-V reaction proceeded

(6) A-value: Me= \sim 1.70 ^tPr= \sim 2.15, CF₃=2.4 \sim 2.5, ^tBu= \gt 4 (kcal/mol). Jensen, F. R.; Bushweller, C. H. *Adv. Alicyclic Chem.* **1971**, *3*, 139-195.

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quantitatively by using TFPA prepared by the method (B) (entry 3). Moreover, the regioselectivity of the reaction was perfect; only the product of the migration of non-substituted carbon was obtained. This regioselectivity is in sharp contrast to α -Me cyclohexanone (entry 4); Me substituted carbon migrated preferentially.

Table 7-1. B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone by TFPA prepared by two different methods.

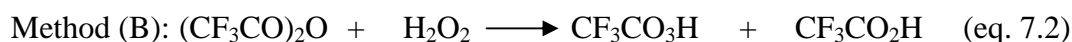
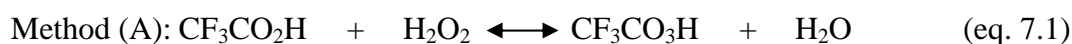
| entry | X | TFPA (eq.) | time (h) | temp. (°C) | yield (%) ^a | 2:3 |
|-------|-----------------|------------|----------|------------|------------------------|---------------------|
| 1 | CF ₃ | A (3.0) | 65 | r.t. | - | - |
| 2 | | A (3.0) | 65 | 40 | - | - |
| 3 | | B (2.0) | 16 | r.t. | quant., (89) | <1:>99 ^b |
| 4 | Me | B (2.0) | 15 | r.t. | (94) | 97:3 ^c |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard. The values in parentheses refer to the yields of the isolated products.

^b Determined by ¹⁹F NMR.

^c Determined by GC analysis.

Why is the reactivity so different even with the same active species? The reactions in both preparation methods are shown in eq. 7.1 and eq. 7.2.



In the case of the method (A), TFPA and TFA are always in equilibrium and excess amount of H₂O (in *aqueous* hydrogen peroxide) shifts the equilibrium to the left to reduce the amount of the active TFPA. On the other hand, the method (B) utilizes an irreversible reaction between TFAA and H₂O₂ to form the active TFPA. The byproduct of this reaction is TFA which could enhance the B-V reaction.¹⁰ Excess amount of H₂O could be transformed to TFA by using excess amount of TFAA (one H₂O and one TFAA provides two TFA). Therefore, concentration of the active TFPA is higher in the method (B) than in the method (A). Thus higher reactivity toward B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone is shown in the method (B). It could be said that α -CF₃ cyclohexanone

(10) B-V reaction is known to be catalyzed by acid. See ref. 2-(b)

is a poor reactive substrate for B-V reaction, since TFPA is classically the strongest oxidizing agent for the B-V reaction. Further investigation is required for the effective reaction condition.

7-3. Effect of the additive and the solvent for the B-V reaction by TFPA.

The B-V reaction is known to be catalyzed by acid or base.^{2b} Since TFPA contains TFA, the effect of inorganic base was investigated by using TFPA (B) (Table 7-2).^{11,12} For all the additives investigated, only the product **3** was obtained. When Na₂CO₃, NaHCO₃, and AcONa were used, decomposition of TFPA was detected and gave a poor result (entries 1~5). For entries 2 and 4, Na₂SO₄ was added to trap water. However, it did not affect the reaction (Na₂SO₄ itself also does not affect the reaction (entry 10 vs. 11)). KH₂PO₄ and Na₂HPO₄ could inhibit the decomposition of TFPA as a base (entries 6~8). By using these bases, the reaction was completed in 5 h. Without the base, the product was obtained in 85% for 5 h reaction time. Again, Na₂SO₄ did not affect the reaction (entry 8). TFPA prepared by the method (A), which could not make the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone to progress, was investigated in the presence of Na₂HPO₄ (entry 9). However, the reaction did not proceed at all. In conclusion, it is required to use the base which would not decompose TFPA (KH₂PO₄, Na₂HPO₄).

(11) Theoretically, TFPA of method (B) contains 3.5 eq. of TFA (vs. TFPA). The description “TFPA (2.0 eq.) / TFA (7.0 eq.)” means the simultaneous formation of TFA and does *not* mean “7.0 eq. of extra TFA was added”.

(12) All the TFPA from here refer to the TFPA by method (B) unless otherwise noted.

Table 7-2. B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone by TFPA (B) in the presence of base.

| entry | base (eq.) | time (h) | yield (%) ^a | |
|----------------|---|----------|------------------------|-----------------|
| | | | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | Na ₂ CO ₃ (10) | 5 | - | - |
| 2 | Na ₂ CO ₃ (10) / Na ₂ SO ₄ (5) | 5 | - | - |
| 3 | NaHCO ₃ (11) | 46 | - | - |
| 4 | NaHCO ₃ (10) / Na ₂ SO ₄ (5) | 18 | - | trace |
| 5 | AcONa (10) | 43 | - | 15 ^b |
| 6 | KH ₂ PO ₄ (10) | 5 | - | 95 |
| 7 | Na ₂ HPO ₄ (10) | 5 | - | 97 |
| 8 | Na ₂ HPO ₄ (10) / Na ₂ SO ₄ (5) | 5 | - | 98 |
| 9 ^c | Na ₂ HPO ₄ (4.6) | 20 | - | - |
| 10 | Na ₂ SO ₄ (5) | 5 | - | 85 |
| 11 | - | 5 | - | 85 |

^a Conversion yield determined by ¹⁹F NMR.

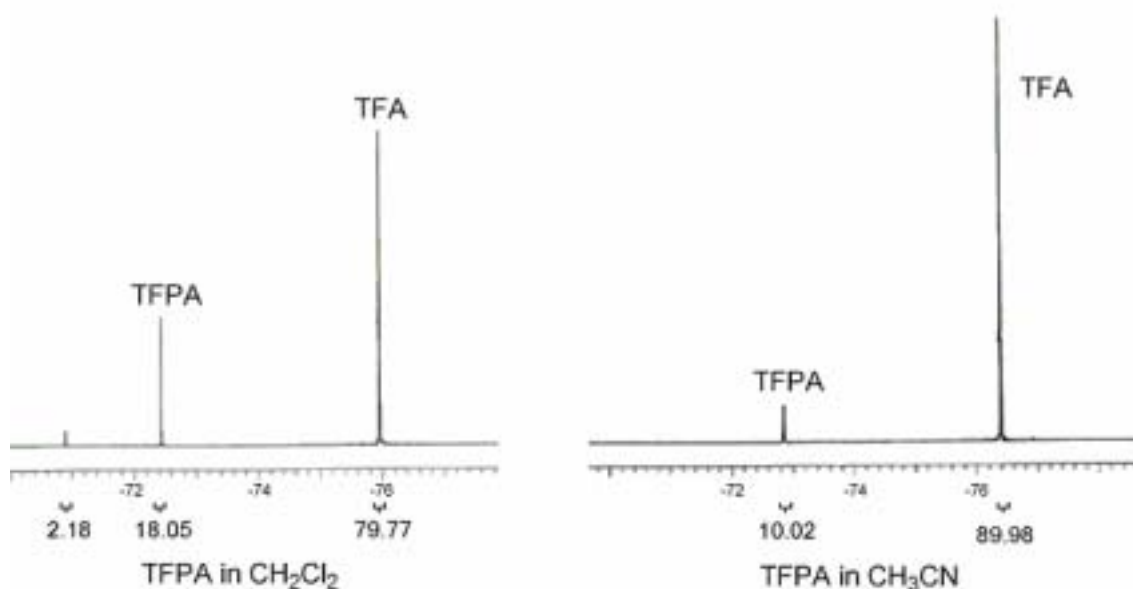
^b Yields of the isolated products.

^c TFPA prepared by method (A) was used.

Next, the effect of the solvent was investigated. TFPA prepared by the method (A) was investigated in CH₃CN and THF but the reaction did not proceed. The solvent effects of TFPA prepared by the method (B) are listed in Table 7-3. When TFPA was prepared in CH₃CN instead of CH₂Cl₂, the product could be obtained in only 10% (entry 1). ¹⁹F NMR spectrum of TFPA prepared in CH₂Cl₂ and CH₃CN are shown in Figure 7-1. TFPA prepared in CH₂Cl₂ is in the ratio of TFPA:TFA=1:4.4 which is close to the theoretical value (TFPA:TFA=1:3.5). However, the TFPA prepared in CH₃CN is in the ratio of TFPA:TFA=1:9.0. This indicates the decomposition of TFPA in CH₃CN. Therefore, preparation of TFPA was carried out in CH₂Cl₂ and then CH₃CN was added (solvent composition: CH₂Cl₂:CH₃CN=1:1). In that case, the yield was slightly increased (17%) (entry 2). Likewise, THF (entry 3) and Et₂O (entry 4) was added. However, the reaction did not proceed at all due to the decomposition of TFPA. In all cases investigated, the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction did not changed.

Table 7-3. B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone by TFPA (B) in various solvents.

| entry | preparation of | | | yield (%) ^a | |
|-------|------------------------------------|---|----------|------------------------|----|
| | TFPA | solvent | time (h) | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | in CH ₃ CN | CH ₃ CN | 6 | - | 10 |
| 2 | in CH ₂ Cl ₂ | CH ₃ CN:CH ₂ Cl ₂ =1:1 | 6 | - | 17 |
| 3 | in CH ₂ Cl ₂ | THF:CH ₂ Cl ₂ =1:1 | 2 | - | - |
| 4 | in CH ₂ Cl ₂ | Et ₂ O:CH ₂ Cl ₂ =1:1 | 2 | - | - |

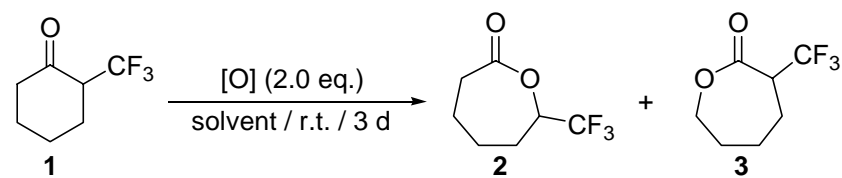
^a Conversion yield determined by ¹⁹F NMR.**Figure 7-1.** ¹⁹F NMR of TFPA (B) prepared in CH₂Cl₂ and CH₃CN.**7-4. Effect of the oxidizing agent and the additive.**

Although TFPA was effective reagent for B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone to give the α -CF₃ lactone in quantitative yield with perfect regioselectivity, it was very sensitive to other solvents and additives. To explore more effective reaction conditions, other oxidizing agents and additives were investigated.

First, various oxidizing agents were examined (Table 7-4). When *tert*-butyl hydroperoxide (TBHP) (entry 1) and H₂O₂ (entries 2, and 3) were used, no product was

obtained. However, *m*CPBA provide the product in 8% (entry 4). The use of H₃PO₅^{9,13} was the most effective oxidant among the oxidants investigated. 2 eq. of H₃PO₅ gave the product in 40% (entry 5) and 6 eq. of H₃PO₅ gave quantitative yield (entry 6).

Table 7-4. B-V reaction by various oxidizing agent.



| entry | oxidizing agent | solvent | yield (%) ^a | |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------|-------------|
| | | | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | TBHP | CH ₂ Cl ₂ | - | - |
| 2 ^b | 31% H ₂ O ₂ | CH ₂ Cl ₂ | - | - |
| 3 | | IPA | - | - |
| 4 | <i>m</i> CPBA | CH ₂ Cl ₂ | - | 8 |
| 5 | H ₃ PO ₅ | CH ₃ CN | - | 40 |
| 6 ^c | | | - | quant. (91) |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard. The number in parentheses refers to the isolated yield.

^b Reaction time was 2 d.

^c 6 eq. of H₃PO₅ was used.

The difference in the reactivity could be explained by the ability of leaving groups at the Criegee intermediate. The leaving group ability of the each oxidizing agent is in the order listed in Figure 7-2. Therefore, the B-V reaction of α-CF₃ cyclohexanone requires at least *m*CPBA or higher reactive oxidizing agents.

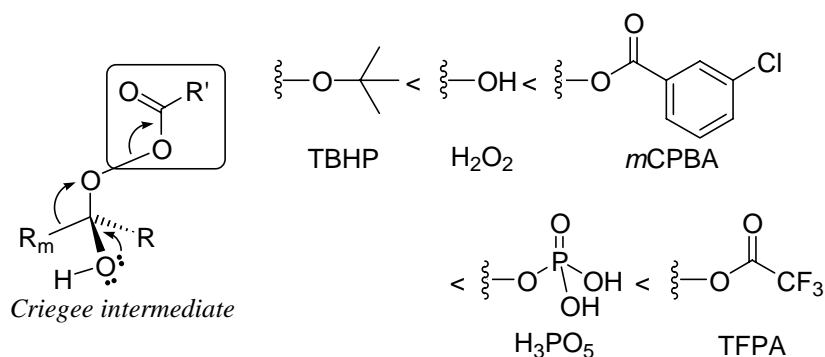


Figure 7-2. Leaving group ability and reactivity of the oxidizing agent.

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The effect of additives were investigated for 2.0 eq. *m*CPBA and 2.0 eq. H₃PO₅ system, since they provide the product in 8% and 40% respectively. As the B-V reaction is known to be accelerated by acids, several Lewis acids and Brønsted acids were investigated (Table 7-5).

Table 7-5. B-V reaction by various acids.

| entry | oxidizing agent / | | additive (eq.) | time | yield (%) ^a | |
|-----------------|---|----------------------|----------------|-------|------------------------|-----------------|
| | solvent | | | | 2 | 3 |
| 1 | H ₃ PO ₅ / CH ₃ CN | Cu(OTf) ₂ | (1.2) | 3 d | - | 30 |
| 2 | | Hf(OTf) ₄ | | | - | 24 |
| 3 | | Yb(OTf) ₃ | | | - | 41 |
| 4 | | Y(OTf) ₃ | | | - | 37 |
| 5 | | Sc(OTf) ₃ | | | - | 39 |
| 6 | <i>m</i> CPBA / CH ₂ Cl ₂ | Cu(OTf) ₂ | (1.2) | 3 d | - | 8 |
| 7 | | Hf(OTf) ₄ | | | - | 7 |
| 8 | | Yb(OTf) ₃ | | | - | 10 |
| 9 | | Y(OTf) ₃ | | | - | - |
| 10 | | Sc(OTf) ₃ | | 4.5 h | - | 91 |
| 11 | | | (0.2) | 2 d | - | 65 |
| 12 | <i>m</i> CPBA / CH ₂ Cl ₂ | TFA | (1.0) | 2 d | - | 11 |
| 13 ^b | | TsOH | (1.5) | 4 d | - | 25 ^c |
| 14 | | TfOH | (1.2) | 1 h | - | 91 |
| 15 | | | (0.2) | 2 d | - | 36 |

^a Determined by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

^b 2.7 eq. of *m*CPBA was added.

^c Yields of the isolated products.

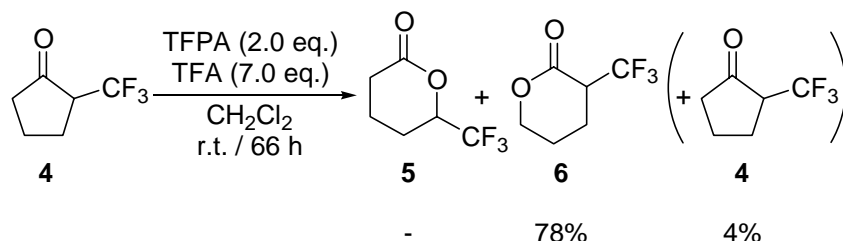
In all entries, perfect regioselectivity is attained by any acids; product **1** was not observed at all. When H₃PO₅ was used as an oxidizing agent, no significant accelerating effects by the Lewis acids were observed (entries 1~5). However, when *m*CPBA was used as an oxidizing agent, Sc(OTf)₃ made a significant acceleration to complete the reaction in 4.5 h (entry 10). For Brønsted acids, TFA (entry 12) and TsOH (entry 13) made virtually no effect on the reaction. The reaction with TfOH, however,

completed within 1 h (entry 14). This acceleration is even more than that by $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$. Unfortunately, both $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$ and TfOH could not be reduced to catalytic amount (entries 11, and 15). Since the highest acceleration effect is observed with TfOH , active species of $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$ might be TfOH generated by the reaction with H_2O . However, other metal triflates had no acceleration effect. Mechanism for the acceleration is not clear.¹⁴

7-5. Other substrates.

The B-V reaction of other substrates was investigated. First, the reaction of a five-membered ring substrate was carried out (Scheme 7-3). The regioselectivity was same as six-membered ring substrate; migration of non-substituted carbon was preferential. The reaction took 66 h to give 78% of the product **6** and the substrate was still remaining (4 %). Measurement of the ^{19}F NMR of the reaction mixture revealed the existence of one unidentified product in small amount. Six-membered ring lactone **6** was slightly unstable relative to seven-membered ring lactone. Therefore, the unidentified product might be the ring-opening product of **6** or regioisomeric product **5**. However, at least the ratio of **6/5** is greater than 4.3 ($=78/(100-78-4)$). This ratio means the preferential migration of non-substituted carbon.

Scheme 7-3.



Next, the reaction of acyclic 7-trifluoromethyl-6-undecanone (**7**) was investigated (Table 7-6). The B-V reaction by 2.0 eq. of TFPA gave only 5% of the product and even the use of 4.2 eq. of TFPA gave 8% of the product. *m*CPBA/ $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$ system, which was effective for $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ cyclohexanone, did not give the product at all. Finally, the use of 4.3 eq. of *m*CPBA and 5.0 eq. of TfOH for 6 d at room temperature provide the product in 57% yield along with the 34% of the remaining substrate. Regioselectivity was identical to that of six- and five-membered ring substrates; non-substituted carbon

(14) Catalysis of B-V reaction by $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$ and TfOH : Kotsuki, H.; Arimura, K.; Araki, T.; Shinohara, T. *Synlett* **1999**, 462-464.

migrated preferentially. ¹⁹F NMR of the reaction mixture showed the existence of several unidentified product in small amount. The unidentified product might be the product of the hydrolysis of **9** or regioisomeric product **8**. However, at least the ratio of **9/8** is greater than 6.3 (=57/(100-57-34)). This ratio implies the preferential migration of non-substituted carbon.

Table 7-6. B-V reaction of acyclic substrate.

| conditions | 8 | 9 | remaining 7 |
|---|----------|----------|--------------------|
| TFPA (4.2 eq.) / TFA (14.7 eq.) 5 d / r.t. | - | 8% | 85% |
| <i>m</i> CPBA (2.1 eq.) / Sc(OTf) ₃ (1.3 eq.) 4 d / 60 °C | - | - | 87% |
| <i>m</i> CPBA (4.3 eq.) / TfOH (5.0 eq.) 6 d / r.t. | - | 57% | 34% |

7-6. Conclusion.

In this chapter, the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketone is described. TFPA is effective for the reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone to give the single regioisomer in quantitative yield. Further investigation reveals that the combination of *m*CPBA with Sc(OTf)₃ or TfOH are more effective than TFPA. By using *m*CPBA/TfOH system, even linear substrates, for which TFPA is not effective, can be oxidized to give α -CF₃ ester.

The origin of the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketone will be discussed in Chapter 8.

Experimental Section for Chapter 7

General

^1H NMR and ^{13}C NMR were measured on Varian Gemini 2000 (300 MHz) spectrometers and ^{19}F NMR was measured on Varian UNITY INOVA (400 MHz) spectrometers. Chemical shift of ^1H NMR was expressed in parts per million downfield from tetramethylsilane as an internal standard ($\delta=0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{13}C NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from CDCl_3 as an internal standard ($\delta=77.0$) in CDCl_3 . Chemical shifts of ^{19}F NMR were expressed in parts per million downfield from BTF as an internal standard ($\delta=-63.24$) in CDCl_3 . Important NMR data were tabulated in following order: multiplicity (s: singlet, d: doublet, t: triplet, q: quartet, quint: quintet, sext: sextet, sept: septet, bs: broad singlet, bd: broad doublet, m: multiplet) and coupling constant (J (Hz)).

IR spectrum was measured on JASCO FT/IR-5000 spectrometer.

EI Mass spectra were measured on Shimazu QP-5000 spectrometer.

Analytical thin layer chromatographies (TLC) were performed on a glass plates and/or aluminum sheets pre-coated with silica gel (Merck Kieselgel 60 F₂₅₄, layer thickness 0.25 and 0.2 mm). Visualization was accomplished by UV light (254 nm), anisaldehyde, KMnO_4 and phosphomolybdic acid.

Column chromatography was performed on Merck Kieselgel 60 and KANTO Silica Gel 60N (spherical, neutral), employing hexane and ethyl acetate as an eluent.

THF and Et_2O were distilled over benzophenone-ketyl under Ar prior to use. CH_2Cl_2 (dehydrate), CH_3CN (dehydrate) were purchased from Kanto Chemical Co., Inc.

Preparation of trifluoroperacetic acid (TFPA)

Procedure A:

30% hydrogen peroxide (10.1 ml, 0.10 mol) was added to trifluoroacetic acid (TFA) (14.6 ml, 0.19 mol) and stirred for 40 min at room temperature. The resultant solution was used as 4 mol/l TFA solution of TFPA.

Procedure B:

To a solution of trifluoroacetic anhydride (TFAA) (0.48 ml, 3.4 mmol) in CH₂Cl₂ (4 ml) was added 60% hydrogen peroxide (85 mg, 1.4 mmol) at 0 °C and stirred for 1 h at room temperature. The resultant solution was directly used as 0.33 mol/l TFPA solution of Dichloromethane containing TFA (TFPA:TFA=2:7).

Preparation of H₃PO₅

To a suspension of phosphorus (V) oxide (0.25 g, 1.7 mmol) in CH₃CN (4 ml) was added 60% hydrogen peroxide (0.11 g, 1.8 mmol) at 0 °C. The reaction mixture was stirred for 1 h at 0 °C and then 2 h at room temperature. The resultant solution was directly used as 0.46 mol/l H₃PO₅ solution of CH₃CN.

General procedure for Baeyer-Villiger reaction

a) TFPA (B)

To TFPA (B) (0.6 ml) was added dichloromethane (0.4 ml) (and an additive, if needed) at room temperature. And then 2-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (**1**) (16.6 mg, 0.1 mmol) was added to the mixture at the temperature. After stirring for 16 h at the temperature, the reaction mixture was directly transferred to silica gel column chromatography (dichloromethane only). Purification by column chromatography gave 2-trifluoromethyl-6-hexanolide (**3**) in 89% yield.

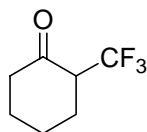
b) *m*CPBA

To a solution of *m*CPBA (80% purity) (43.1 mg, 0.2 mmol) (and an additive, if needed) in dichloromethane was added 2-trifluoromethyl cyclohexanone (**1**) (16.6 mg, 0.1 mmol) at room temperature under argon atmosphere. The reaction was monitored by ¹⁹F NMR using BTF as an internal standard.

c) H₃PO₅

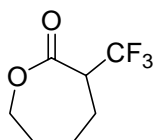
To H₃PO₅ solution in acetonitrile (1.3 ml, 0.6 mmol) was added 2-trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (**1**) (16.6 mg, 0.1 mmol) at room temperature. After stirring for 3 d at the temperature, the reaction mixture was directly transferred to silica gel column chromatography (dichloromethane only). Purification by column chromatography gave 2-trifluoromethyl-6-hexanolide (**3**) in 91% yield.

2-Trifluoromethyl-cyclohexanone (1)



See Chapter 4, **3a**.

2-Trifluoromethyl-6-hexanolide (3)



^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.55~1.90 (m, 3H), 1.95~2.28 (m, 3H), 3.24~3.40 (m, 1H), 4.19 (dd, $J=10.7$, 13.1 Hz, 1H), 4.39 (dm, $J=13.2$ Hz, 1H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 23.8, 27.2, 28.3, 47.7(q, $J=27.3$ Hz), 69.0, 124.5(q, $J=278.3$ Hz), 168.5 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -70.5 (d, $J=6.8$ Hz) (ppm).

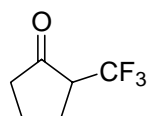
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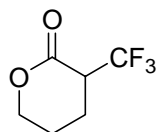
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2-Trifluoromethyl-cyclopentanone (4)



See Chapter 4, **3b**.

2-Trifluoromethyl-5-hexanolide (6)

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 1.90~2.14 (m, 3H), 2.25~2.41 (m, 1H), 3.20~3.36 (m, 1H), 4.39 (t, $J=5.6$ Hz, 2H) (ppm).

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 19.8 (q, $J=2.4$ Hz), 20.9, 44.3 (q, $J=27.9$ Hz), 69.0, 124.3 (q, $J=277.8$ Hz), 164.7 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

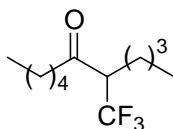
δ -69.2 (d, $J=7.9$ Hz) (ppm).

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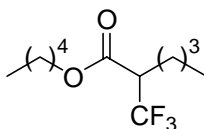
2928, 2362, 1748, 1404, 1330, 1259, 1181, 1122, 1067, 961 (cm^{-1})

EI-MS

$m/z=168$ [M^+]

7-Trifluoromethyl-6-undecanone (7)

See Chapter 4, **3f**.

Pentyl-2-trifluoromethyl-hexanoate

^1H NMR (CDCl_3 , 300 MHz)

δ 0.80~1.00 (m, 6H), 1.15~1.45 (m, 8H), 1.55~1.98 (m, 4H), 3.00~3.15 (m, 1H), 4.17 (t, $J=6.8$ Hz, 2H) (ppm).

Experimental Section

^{13}C NMR (CDCl_3 , 75 MHz)

δ 13.7, 13.9, 22.2, 22.4, 25.8, 27.9, 28.1, 28.8, 50.5 (q, $J=26.7$ Hz), 65.7, 124.8 (q, $J=279.1$ Hz), 167.7 (ppm).

^{19}F NMR (CDCl_3 , 376 MHz)

δ -68.9 (d, $J=7.9$ Hz) (ppm).

IR (neat)

2966, 2938, 2878, 1750, 1218, 1125, 1102 (cm^{-1}).

EI-MS

$m/z=254$ [M^+].

Chapter 8

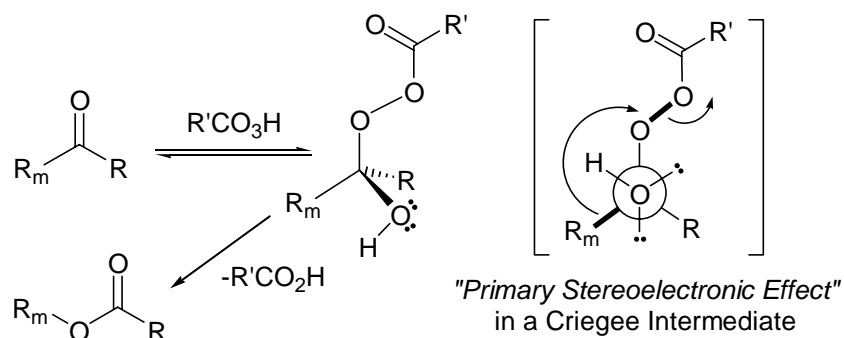
Theoretical Study on the Baeyer-Villiger Reaction of

α -Me, F, CF₃ Cyclohexanone

8-1. Introduction.

The Baeyer-Villiger (B-V) reaction¹ has been widely employed in organic synthesis by virtue of the unique transformation: an oxygen atom can be inserted regioselectively and stereospecifically into a carbon-carbon single bond.² A two-step mechanism has been well accepted; (1) carbonyl addition of a peroxy acid to form a peroxy acid/carbonyl adduct, the Criegee intermediate,³ and then (2) skeletal rearrangement of the Criegee intermediate. Many kinetic studies⁴ had been carried out to reveal that rearrangement of the Criegee intermediate is a concerted process and, with some exceptions,^{4f,i} a rate-determining step (Scheme 8-1).

Scheme 8-1.



The regioselectivity has long been the most important issue in the B-V reaction. The ketonic substituent that can best stabilize a partially positive charge usually migrates preferentially. It has also been well accepted that the stereoelectronic requirement for correct antiperiplanar alignment of the migrating substituent and the O-O bond of the leaving peroxy acid (e.g., R'COO⁻), referred to as the primary

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stereoelectronic effect, is required at the migrating step (parentheses in Scheme 8-1).⁵ Such a primary stereoelectronic effect has been rationalized in a few reports, where the migration of the carbon **a** located in correct antiperiplanar alignment by (i) a conformational factor or (ii) a stereoelectronic factor by the dipole interaction (Figure 8-1).^{6,7}

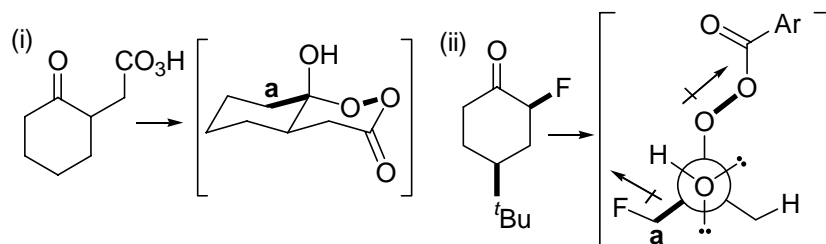


Figure 8-1. The primary stereoelectronic effect in the Criegee intermediate of (i) Chandrasekhar's and (ii) Crudden's model.

On the basis of the result of Crudden's α -F_{eq} cyclohexanone, one might predict that α -CF₃ ketones should exhibit a similar trend for migration of the CF₃-bearing carbon because of the equatorial orientation of the sterically demanding CF₃ group.⁸ Significantly however, as reported in Chapter 7,⁹ the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ ketone showed the opposite regioselectivity to that of α -F_{eq} cyclohexanone. The regioselectivity of the B-V reaction of α -Me,¹⁰ F,⁷ CF₃⁹ cyclohexanone are shown in Figure 8-2.

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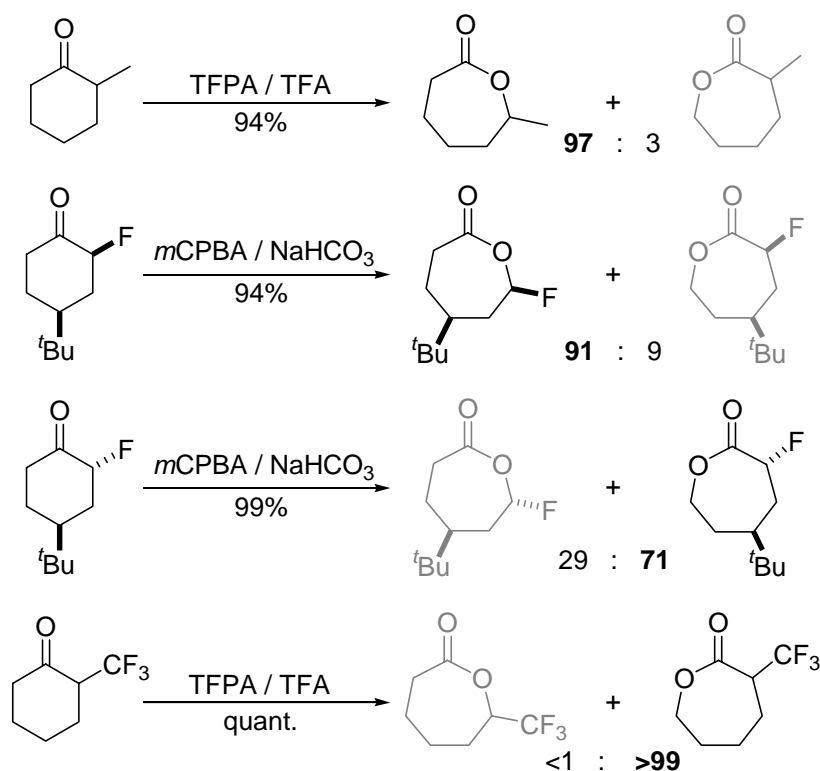


Figure 8-2. B-V reaction of α -Me, F, CF_3 cyclohexanone.

The difference in regioselectivity by α -substituent is quite interesting. In the case of α -F cyclohexanone, they suggest that the thermodynamic stability of the Criegee intermediate (thermodynamic factor) in terms of dipole interaction defines the regioselectivity (Figure 8-1, (ii)). On the other hand, in the case of α -Me cyclohexanone, it is well accepted that nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon defines the regioselectivity (kinetic factor). The regioselectivity of α -Me cyclohexanone could also be explained by thermodynamic factor by means of steric repulsion (Figure 8-3).

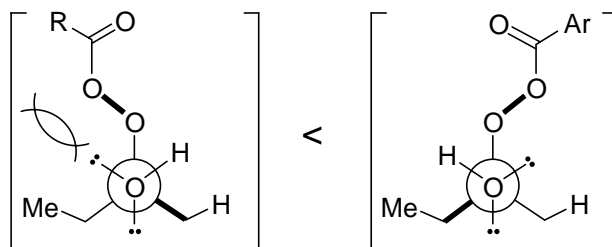


Figure 8-3. Regioselectivity of α -Me cyclohexanone by means of thermodynamic factor.

However, in the case of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone, the CF₃ group has strong electron withdrawing nature and thus it could induce strong dipole interaction and steric repulsion to stabilize the intermediate which should induce migration of CF₃ substituted carbon (thermodynamic factor). But strong electron withdrawing nature of CF₃ group could decrease the nucleophilicity of the adjacent carbon to induce the migration of non-substituted carbon (kinetic factor). The prediction of the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone by thermodynamic factor and kinetic factor could lead to the opposite regioselectivity.

Although there are many theoretical investigation of the B-V reaction,¹¹ to the best of the author's knowledge, there is no report which investigates about the origin of the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction computationally. Therefore, we explored the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction of α -Me, F, CF₃ cyclohexanones to clarify the origin of the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction.¹² The author herein reports the theoretical investigation of total regioselectivity of B-V reaction of α -Me, F, CF₃ cyclohexanones.

8-2. Chemical models and computational methods.

8-2-1. Chemical models.

The regioselectivity of the B-V reaction is determined at the stage of the migration step from the Criegee intermediate. Therefore, the Criegee intermediate and the transition state of the migration step of the B-V reaction of cyclohexanone derivative with trifluoroacetic acid (TFPA) were calculated. As shown in Figure 8-4, there were totally eight possible conformations in the chemical model of the rearrangement step with respect to the position (axial or equatorial) of the oxidant and R group and the regioselectivity of the migrating carbon (path *a* or *b*). All the structures were calculated for each R=Me, F, CF₃ substituent. However, the author mainly focused on type I (axial attack of TFPA) to make the discussion clear.

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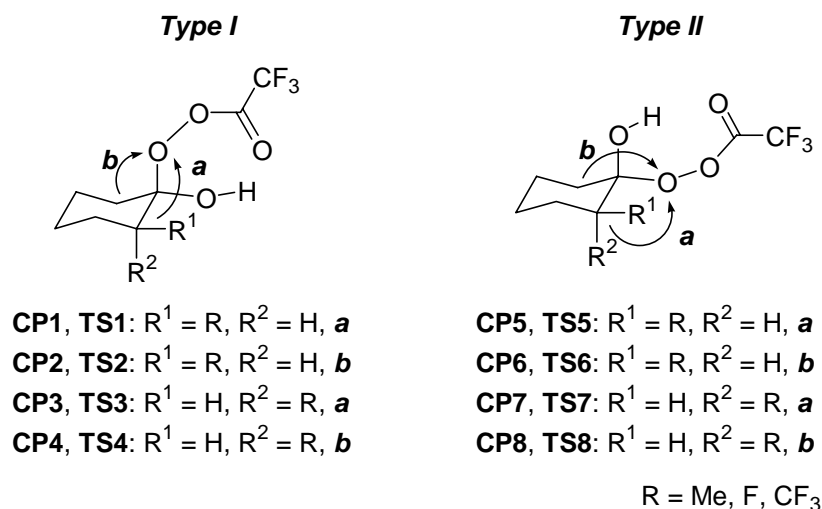


Figure 8-4. Chemical model of the B-V reaction.

8-2-2. Computational methods.

All the calculations were performed with GAUSSIAN 98¹³ and 03¹⁴ program package. All the structures were optimized at HF/6-31G*¹⁵ and the energies were calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G**¹⁶ using the optimized structure.¹⁷ The energetics of

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this level of calculation has consistency with the experimental result. All stationary points were analyzed through computation of their vibrational frequencies.

8-3. α -Me cyclohexanone.

Calculated relative energies for all possible eight conformations of **CPs** and **TSs** for α -Me cyclohexanones are listed in Table 8-1. Energy diagram and the structure of the rearrangement step of B-V reaction of α -Me cyclohexanone (Type I) are shown in Figure 8-5 and Figure 8-6.

As shown in Figure 8-5, **Me-CP3** and **4** are in almost the same energy. The structural difference between **Me-CP3** and **4** is that they have the different alignment of peracid moiety. Since Me group is in axial position, alignment of the peracid moiety makes no steric or electronic energy difference. **Me-CP1** is 1 kcal/mol lower in energy than **Me-CP3** and **4**. This is because Me group which are in axial position at **Me-CP3** flip to equatorial position at **Me-CP1** to reduce 1,3-diaxial repulsion. However, **Me-CP2** also has Me group in equatorial position with higher energy. The difference between **Me-CP1** and **Me-CP2** is again the alignment of the peracid moiety, but this time the Me group is in equatorial position to cause steric repulsion between peracid moiety. In **Me-CP2**, peracid moiety is in the same direction to Me group which makes **Me-CP2** sterically unfavorable than **Me-CP1**.

Activation energies do not differ from each other; they are within 2.3 kcal/mol range. It is surprising that there are no significant difference in activation energies between **a** series (migration of Me substituted carbon) and **b** series (migration of non-substituted carbon), since the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction of α -Me ketone was believed to be determined by the nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon (kinetic factor). The most stable **TS** is **Me-TS1** which corresponds to the most stable **CP** (**Me-CP1**). Therefore, in the case of α -Me cyclohexanone, it could be concluded that thermodynamic stability of the Criegee intermediate (thermodynamic factor) determines the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction.

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Table 8-1. Relative energies of **Me-CPs** and **Me-TSs** at B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G* level.

| Type I | ΔE (kcal/mol) | | ΔE (kcal/mol) |
|---------------|-----------------------|---------------|-----------------------|
| Me-CP1 | 0.3 | Me-TS1 | 11.1 |
| Me-CP2 | 1.8 | Me-TS2 | 13.6 |
| Me-CP3 | 1.3 | Me-TS3 | 13.0 |
| Me-CP4 | 1.3 | Me-TS4 | 14.4 |
| Type II | ΔE (kcal/mol) | | ΔE (kcal/mol) |
| Me-CP5 | 0.0 | Me-TS5 | 11.8 |
| Me-CP6 | 1.7 | Me-TS6 | 13.6 |
| Me-CP7 | 1.7 | Me-TS7 | 13.1 |
| Me-CP8 | 1.1 | Me-TS8 | 14.8 |

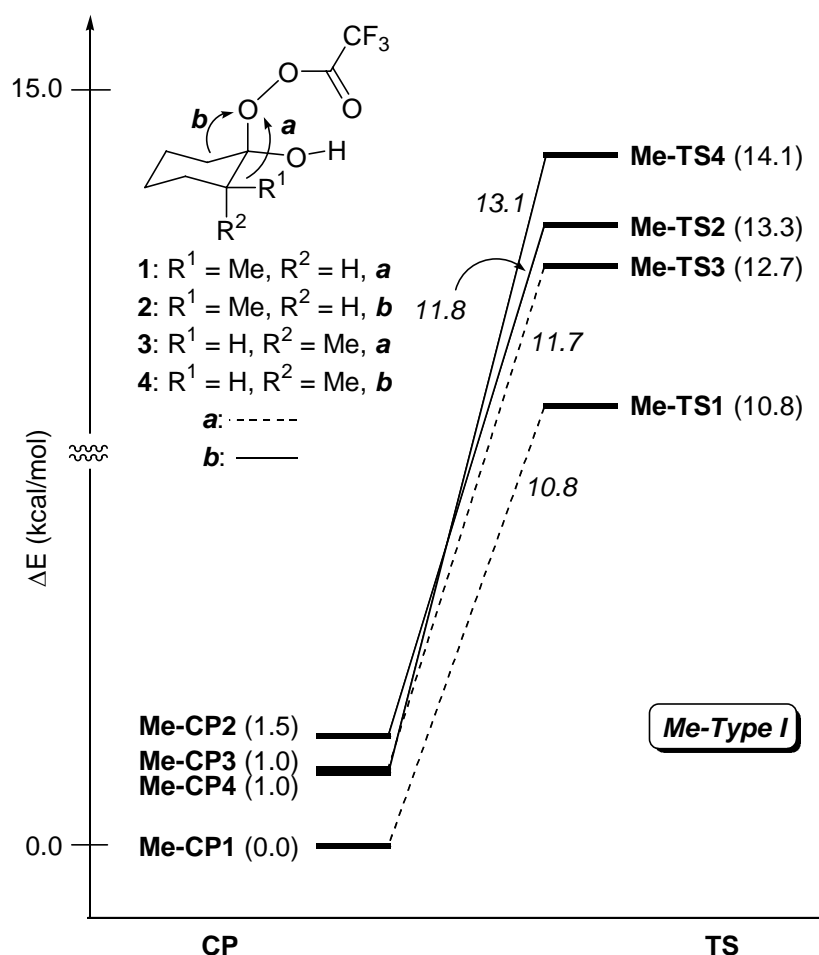


Figure 8-5. Energy diagram of the rearrangement step of α -Me cyclohexanone (Type I). The energies were corrected from Table 8-1 as to be **Me-CP1**=0 kcal/mol. The numbers in *italic* refer to the activation energies.

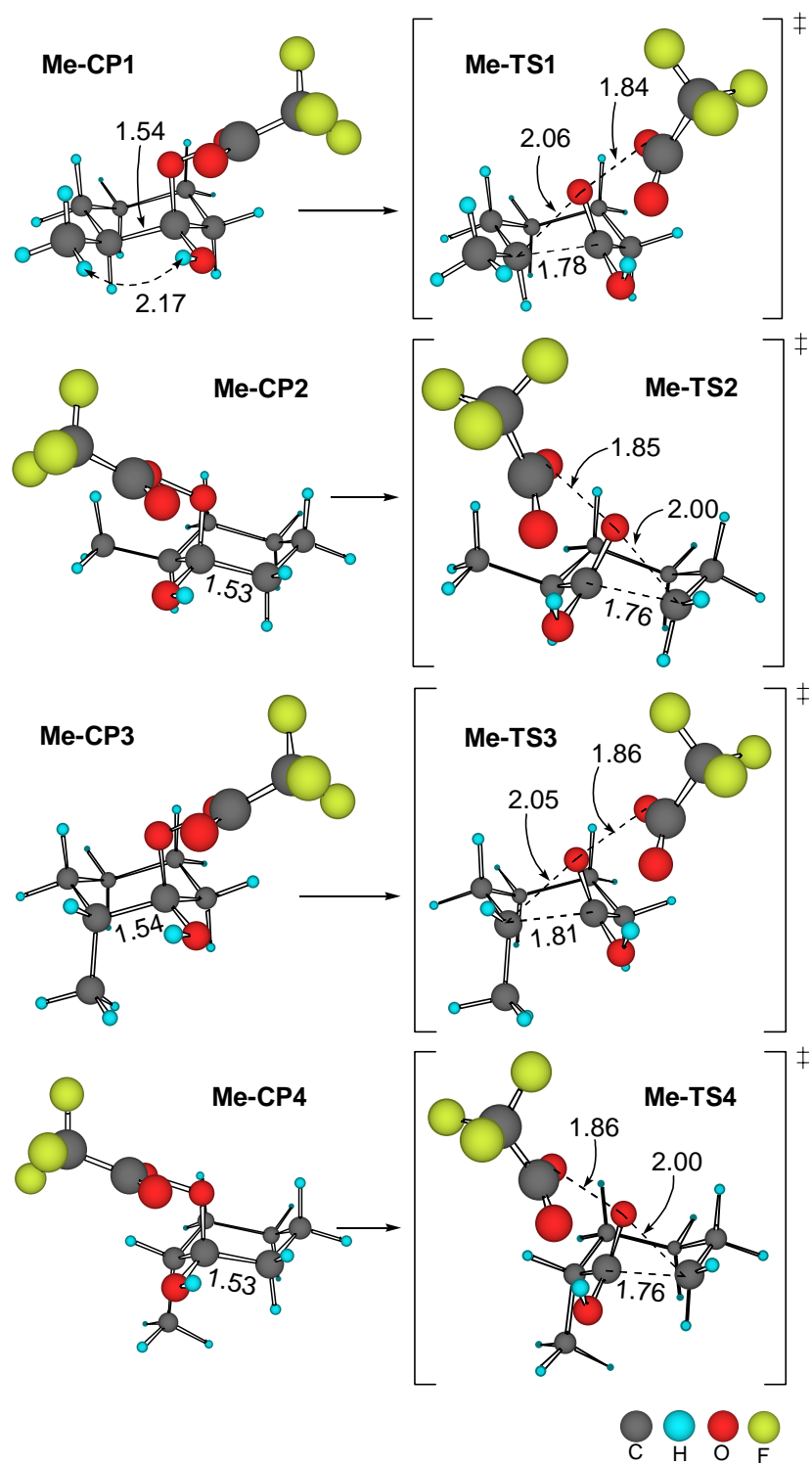


Figure 8-6. Three-dimensional structure of Me-CPs, Me-TSs. The numbers refer to the distances in Å.

8-4. α -F cyclohexanone.

Calculated relative energies for all possible eight conformations of **CPs** and **TSs** for α -F cyclohexanones are listed in Table 8-2. Energy diagram and the structure of the rearrangement step of the B-V reaction of α -F cyclohexanone (Type I) are shown in Figure 8-8 and Figure 8-9.

The order of the stability of **F-CPs** has the same tendency with **Me-CPs**; **CP3** and **4** are in almost the same energies and **F-CP1** and **F-CP2** are lower and higher than them respectively. However, the reason for this energy profile is different from **Me-CPs**. **F-CP1** has lower energy than **F-CP3** (or **4**). In the case of **Me-CP1**, it was stable for steric factor. However, this is not the case with **F-CP1** since the steric bulkiness is almost negligible (A-value: F=0.27 kcal/mol, Me= \sim 1.7 kcal/mol).⁸ Contribution of the hydrogen bonding makes **F-CP1** stable. As shown in Figure 8-9, the distance between hydroxyl H and F in **F-CP1** is 2.39 Å. This value is shorter than sum of the van der Waals radii of H (1.20 Å) and F (1.47 Å).¹⁸ It is clearer when compared with non-substituted **H-CP** (Figure 8-7). The distance between hydroxyl H and α -H is 2.46 Å which is longer than the corresponding distance in **F-CP1**.

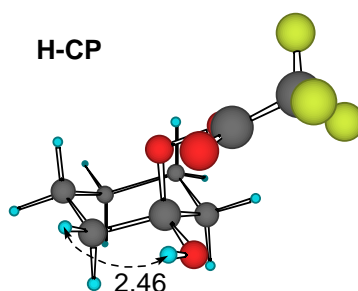


Figure 8-7. Distance between hydroxyl H and α -H in non-substituted **H-CP**.

F-CP2 has high energy than **F-CP3** (or **4**). Since F has insignificant steric effect, the reason for instability is not the same as in **Me-CP2**. In **F-CP2**, the α -F and peracid moiety are in the same direction to induce dipole repulsion. Consequently, the energy of **F-CP2** rises.

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Table 8-2. Relative energies of **F-CPs** and **F-TSs** at B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G* level.

| Type I | ΔE (kcal/mol) | | ΔE (kcal/mol) |
|--------------|-----------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| F-CP1 | 0.9 | F-TS1 | 17.5 |
| F-CP2 | 3.3 | F-TS2 | 19.4 |
| F-CP3 | 1.8 | F-TS3 | 16.7 |
| F-CP4 | 1.6 | F-TS4 | 16.4 |
| Type II | ΔE (kcal/mol) | | ΔE (kcal/mol) |
| F-CP5 | 0.0 | F-TS5 | 17.5 |
| F-CP6 | 2.9 | F-TS6 | 19.7 |
| F-CP7 | 1.8 | F-TS7 | 16.2 |
| F-CP8 | 0.5 | F-TS8 | 15.9 |

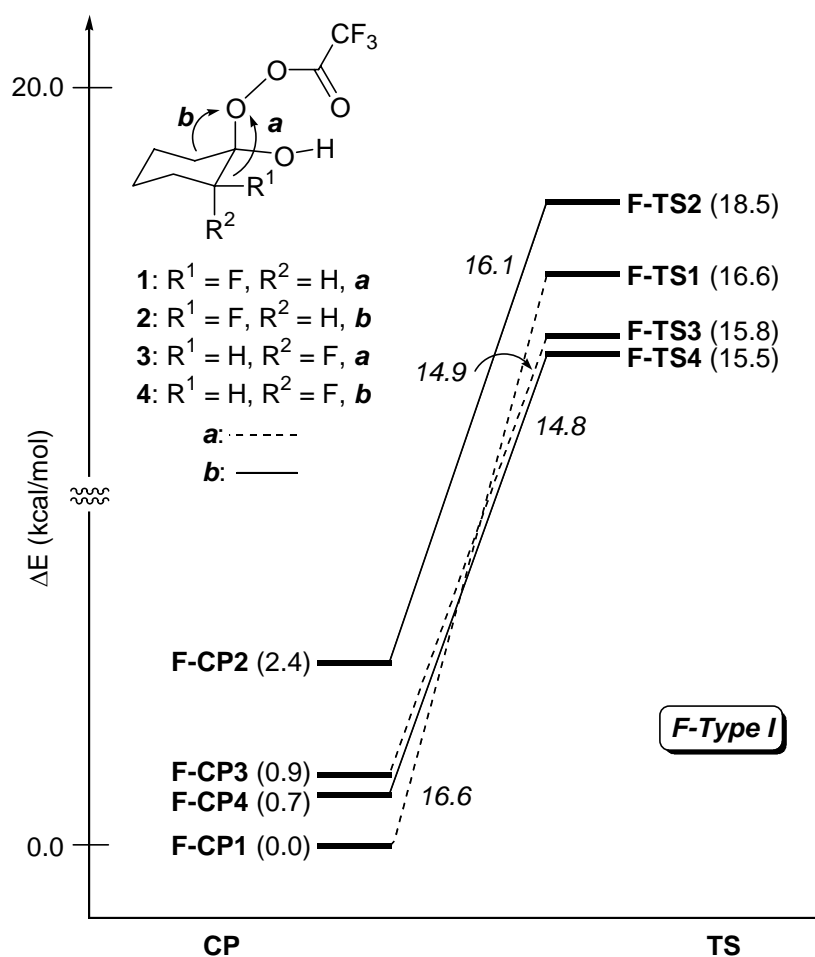


Figure 8-8. Energy diagram of the rearrangement step of α -F cyclohexanone (Type I). The energies were corrected from Table 8-2 as to be **F-CP1**=0 kcal/mol. The numbers in italic refer to the activation energies

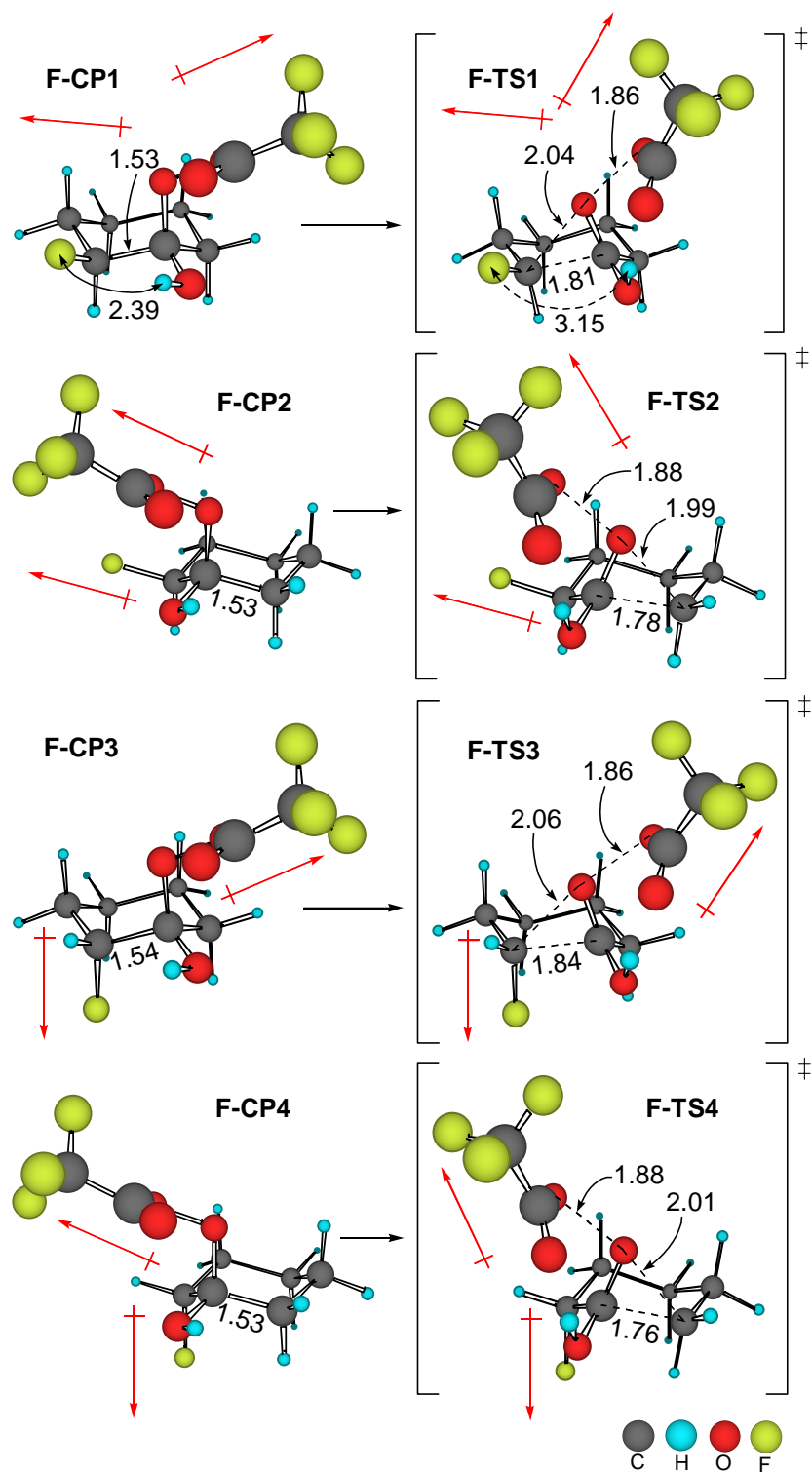


Figure 8-9. Three-dimensional structure of F-CPs, F-TSs. The numbers refer to the distances in Å.

In contrast to α -Me series, activation energies could be classified into two types in terms of energy value. One is **F-1** and **2** which have α -F in equatorial position (**F_{eq}** series) (activation energy: **F-1**=16.6 kcal/mol, **F-2**=16.1 kcal/mol). The other is **F-3** and **4** which have α -F in axial position (**F_{ax}** series) (activation energy: **F-3**=14.9 kcal/mol, **F-4**=14.8 kcal/mol). The lower activation energy in **F_{ax}** series could be explained by dipole interaction between α -F and peracid moiety (Table 8-3). When **F_{ax}** series comes to TS, stabilization effect by dipole interaction would become more effective since α -F and peracid moiety becomes more linear in **TSs** than in **CPs**. It is clear from Table 8-3 that **F_{eq}** series (**F-1**, **2**) has strong dipole moment than **F_{ax}** series (**F-3**, **4**). **F-1** has especially high activation energy because the hydrogen bonding has to be broken during the reaction.

Table 8-3. Dipole moment of **F-CPs** and **F-TSs** at B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G* level.

| F | Dipole moment (D) | | Dipole moment (D) | |
|------------------|-------------------|--------------|-------------------|--|
| eq. F-CP1 | 4.1 | F-TS1 | 7.7 | |
| eq. F-CP2 | 4.5 | F-TS2 | 8.4 | |
| ax. F-CP3 | 2.6 | F-TS3 | 6.6 | |
| ax. F-CP4 | 2.8 | F-TS4 | 6.4 | |

There are no significant difference between **a** series (migration of F substituted carbon) and **b** series (migration of non-substituted carbon). This means that F substitution does not make significant change in the nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon. F has both σ -acceptor and π -donor nature and thus would cancel each other for the nucleophilicity of the attached carbon. Thermodynamic stability of Criegee intermediate (thermodynamic effect) and activation energy (kinetic effect) both contribute in determining the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction of α -F cyclohexanone. However, the effect of F substitution is only for its strong dipole moment not for lowering the nucleophilicity of the attached carbon.

8-5. α -CF₃ cyclohexanone.

Relative energies calculated for all possible eight conformations of **CPs** and **TSs** for α -CF₃ cyclohexanones are listed in Table 8-4. Energy diagram and the structure of the rearrangement step of the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone (Type I) are shown in Figure 8-10 and Figure 8-11.

Table 8-4. Relative energies of CF₃-CPs and CF₃-TSs at B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G* level.

| Type I | ΔE (kcal/mol) | | ΔE (kcal/mol) |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| CF₃-CP1 | 0.0 | CF₃-TS1 | 18.1 |
| CF₃-CP2 | 3.6 | CF₃-TS2 | 18.2 |
| CF₃-CP3 | 1.4 | CF₃-TS3 | 21.1 |
| CF₃-CP4 | 1.4 | CF₃-TS4 | 16.2 |
| Type II | ΔE (kcal/mol) | | ΔE (kcal/mol) |
| CF₃-CP5 | 0.5 | CF₃-TS5 | 19.8 |
| CF₃-CP6 | 4.0 | CF₃-TS6 | 18.3 |
| CF₃-CP7 | 2.6 | CF₃-TS7 | 19.7 |
| CF₃-CP8 | 1.5 | CF₃-TS8 | 17.3 |

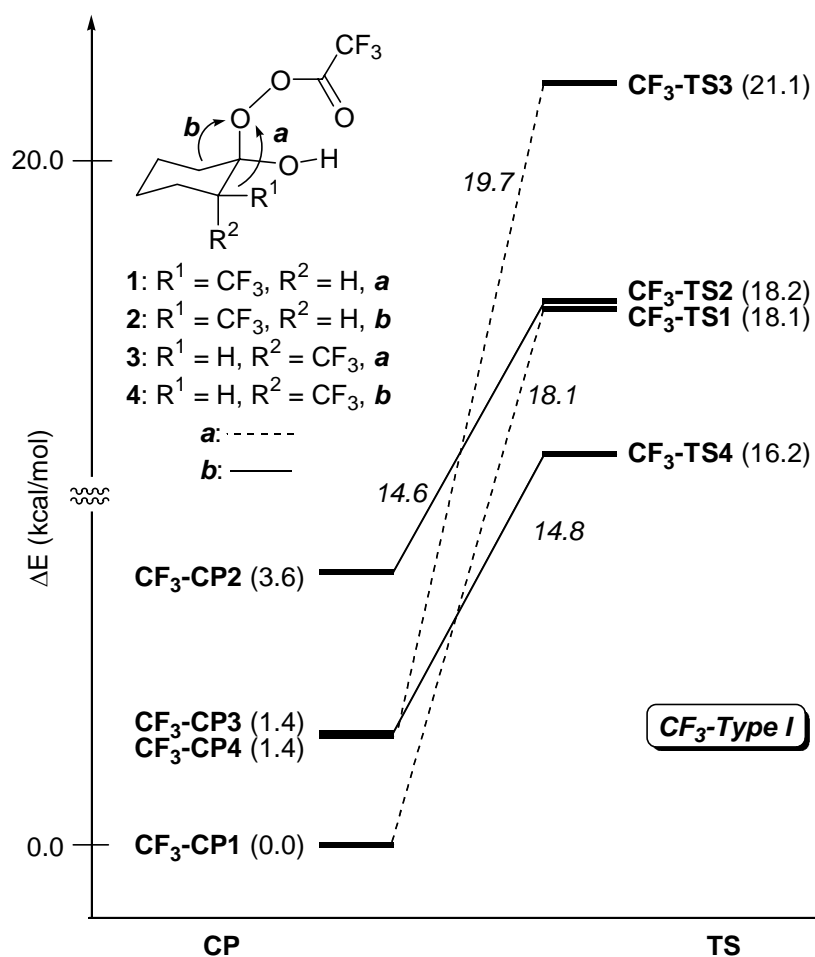


Figure 8-10. Energy diagram of the rearrangement step of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone (Type I). The numbers in italic refer to the activation energies.

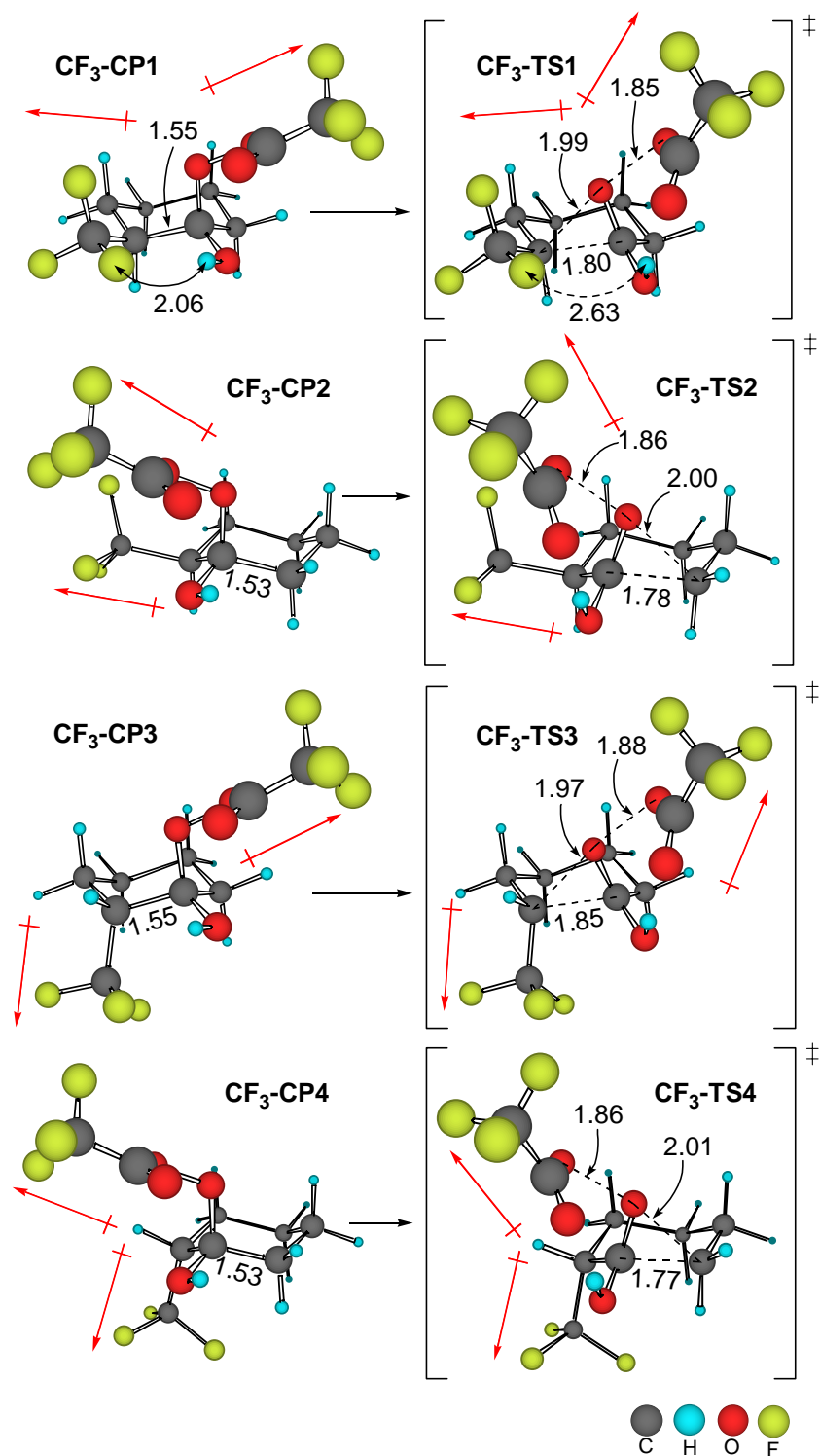


Figure 8-11. Three-dimensional structure of CF_3 -CPs, CF_3 -TSs. The numbers are the distances in Å.

The order of the stability of the Criegee intermediates is exactly the same as in **Me-** and **F-CPs**. **CF₃-CP3** and **4** are in almost the same energy as in **Me-** and **F-CPs**. The reason for the stability of **CP1** (compared to **CP3** and **4**) in **Me-CP** was steric and the reason for **F-CP** was hydrogen bonding. In the case of **CF₃-CP1**, both factors exist. The A-value of CF₃ group is larger than Me.⁸ Therefore, when the CF₃ group comes to the equatorial position (**CP3** to **CP1**), energy stabilization is greater in **CF₃-CP** (1.4 kcal/mol) than **Me-CP** (1.0 kcal/mol). Hydrogen bonding in **CF₃-CP1** is illustrated in Figure 8-11, **CF₃-CP1**. The distance between hydroxyl H and trifluoromethyl F in **CF₃-CP1** is 2.06 Å and this value is shorter than the sum of the van der Waals radii of H (1.20 Å) and F (1.47 Å). It is clearer when compared with **Me-CP1** (Figure 8-6). The distance between hydroxyl H and methyl H is 2.17 Å which is longer than the corresponding distance in **CF₃-CP1**. On the other hand, the reason for instability of **CP2** (compared to **CP3** and **4**) in **Me-CP** was steric repulsion between peracid moiety and the reason for **F-CP** was dipole repulsion between α-F and the peracid moiety. In the case of **CF₃-CP2**, again, both factors exist. Although 1,3-diaxial repulsion is reduced when the CF₃ group comes to equatorial position, the steric repulsion with peracid moiety emerges in greater value than **Me-CP2**. In addition, since CF₃ group is a strong electron withdrawing group, there are strong dipole repulsion between peracid moiety as observed in **F-CP2**. These two effects resulted in high destabilization of **CF₃-CP2** (compared to **CF₃-CP3**: 2.2 kcal/mol), which is larger than **Me-CP2** (0.5 kcal/mol) or **F-CP2** (1.5 kcal/mol).

Activation energies could be classified into two categories; path *a* (migration of CF₃ substituted carbon, 18.1 kcal/mol (**CF₃-1**), 19.7 kcal/mol (**CF₃-3**)) and path *b* (migration of non substituted carbon, 14.6 kcal/mol (**CF₃-2**), 14.8 kcal/mol (**CF₃-4**)). In the case of α-F cyclohexanone, classification was different (**F_{eq}** and **F_{ax}**). The dipole moment of **CF₃-CPs** and **CF₃-TSs** is listed in Table 8-5.

Table 8-5. Dipole moment of **CF₃-CPs** and **CF₃-TSs** at B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G* level.

| CF ₃ | | Dipole moment (D) | | Dipole moment (D) |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-------------------|
| eq. | CF₃-CP1 | 4.0 | CF₃-TS1 | 7.4 |
| eq. | CF₃-CP2 | 4.6 | CF₃-TS2 | 8.2 |
| ax. | CF₃-CP3 | 2.7 | CF₃-TS3 | 6.2 |
| ax. | CF₃-CP4 | 3.1 | CF₃-TS4 | 6.2 |

Although there are similar tendency of dipole moment with α -F cyclohexanone, this is not the determining factor of the classification of the activation energies. In sharp contrast to F, CF₃ group has only σ -accepting nature. Therefore, the strong electron-withdrawing CF₃ group much decreases the nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon bearing CF₃ group to increase the activation energy of path *a* (kinetic factor). According to such energy profiles, Curtin-Hammett kinetics should operate in the B-V reaction of the α -CF₃ cyclohexanone and hence the reaction should occur via **CF₃-TS4**. It is noted that the most stable **TS4** has the axial position of the sterically demanding CF₃ group, which is usually located in the equatorial position due to the 1,3-diaxial repulsion. The energy level of **CF₃-TS2**, which has the CF₃ group in equatorial position and has the same migration tendency with **CF₃-TS4**, is higher than that of **CF₃-TS4**.

8-6. Equatorial attack of TFPA (Type II).

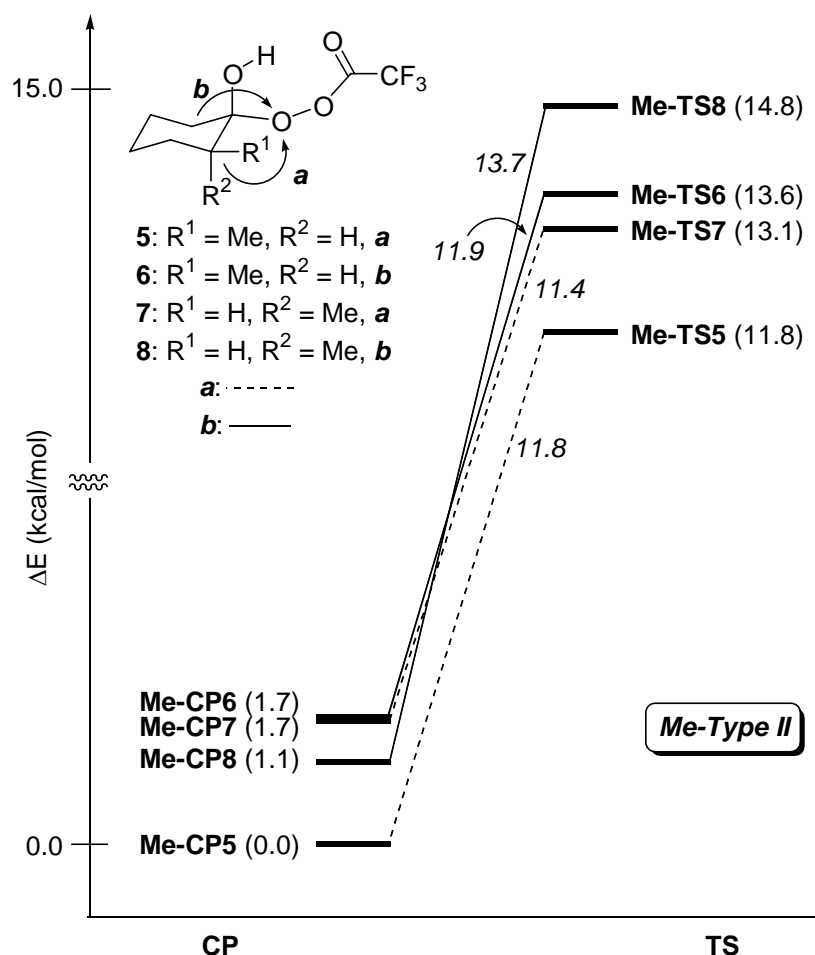


Figure 8-12. Energy diagram of the rearrangement step of α -Me cyclohexanone (Type II). The numbers in italic are the activation energies.

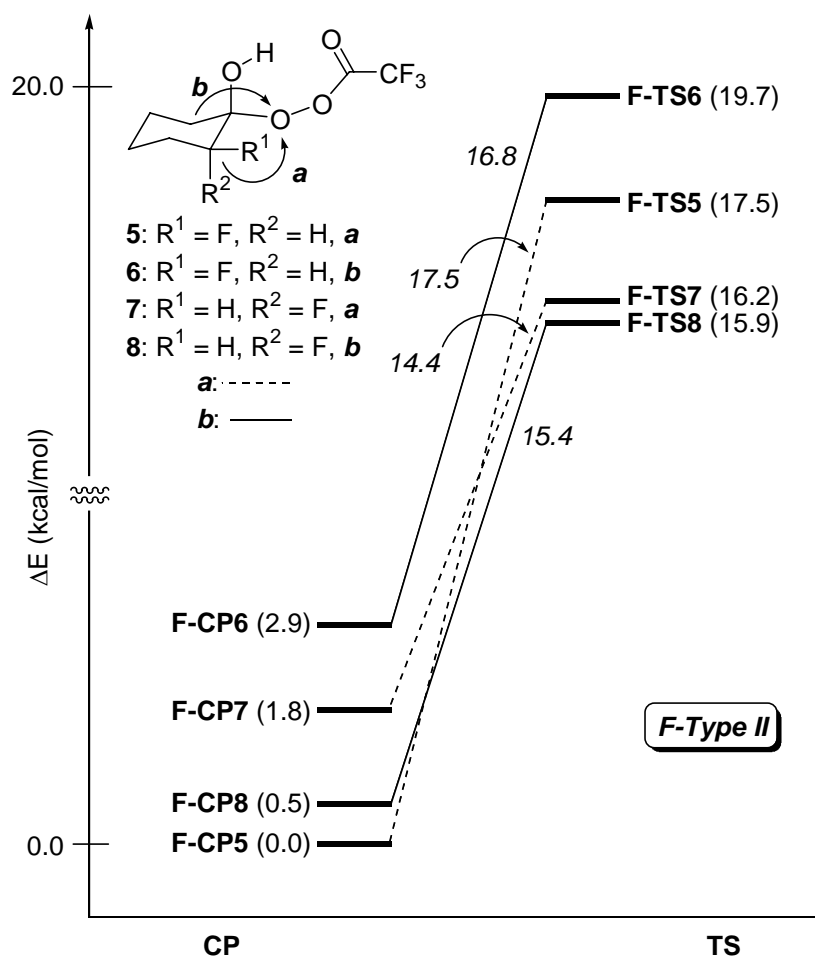


Figure 8-13. Energy diagram of the rearrangement step of α -F cyclohexanone (Type II). The numbers in italic are the activation energies.

Energy diagram of the Criegee intermediate and **TS** of Type II are shown in Figure 8-12, Figure 8-13, and Figure 8-14. Although it is less clear than Type I, energetics of Type II showed a similar tendency as in Type I. The order of the stability of the **CPs** is the same in all α -Me, F, CF_3 cases. In the case of Type I, **CP3** and **CP4** have similar energetics in all substrates. However, the energy difference between **CP7** and **8**, which correspond to **CP3** and **4** in Type I, is quite large. The axial α -substituents in **CP3** and **4** are far from the axial peracid moiety and in opposite direction to minimize steric or dipole repulsion. In **CP7** and **8**, the peracid moiety is in equatorial position and it could induce steric or dipole repulsion between α -substituent to enlarge the energy difference. The activation energy of α -Me substrates could not be categorized in any kind (as in Type I) and its energies are within 1.8 kcal/mol. In the case of α -F substrates, it is less clear as Type I, but the activation energies could be categorized in the same way as Type I (**F_{ax}** and **F_{eq}**) and it is again clear that F substitution does not have significant effect on

the activation energies. α -CF₃ substituents, which CF₃ group had a large influence on the activation energies in Type I, once more affect the activation energies in Type II. In all α -Me, F, CF₃ cases, the most stable TSs in Type I and Type II both give the same regioisomer.

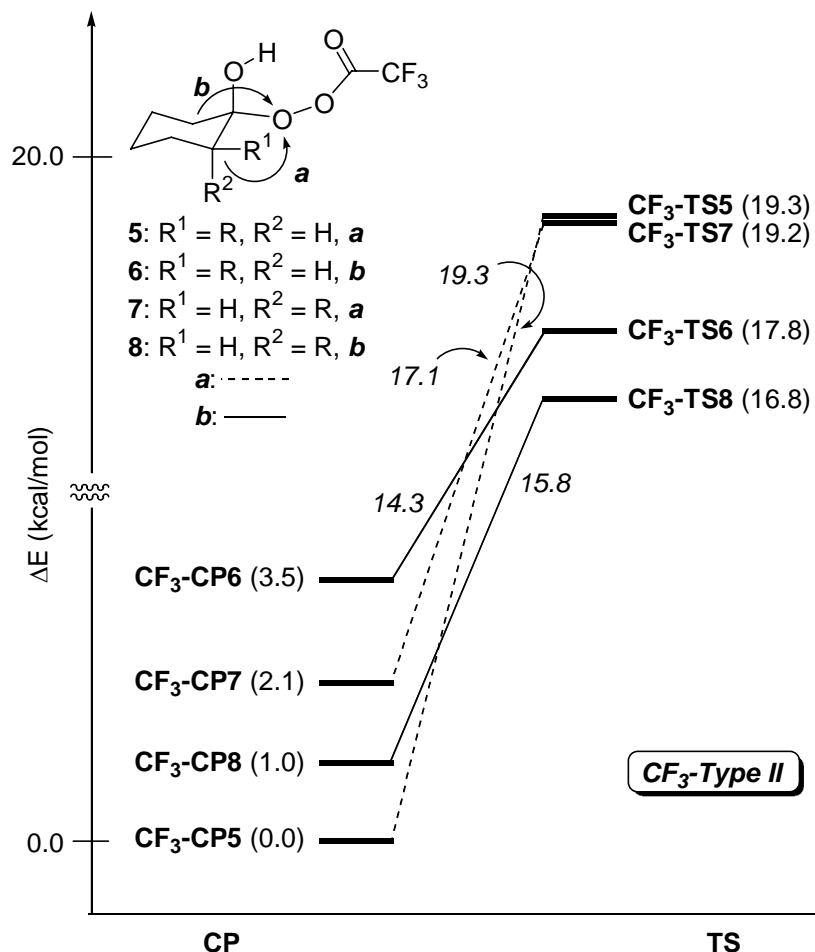


Figure 8-14. Energy diagram of the rearrangement step of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone (Type II). The energies were corrected from Table 8-4 as to be **CF₃-CP5**=0 kcal/mol. The numbers in italic are the activation energies.

8-7. Conclusion.

The regioselectivity of the B-V reaction of α -Me, F, CF₃ cyclohexanone was investigated. Investigation of the energy profiles of the rearrangement step reveal that there are two factors in determining the regioselectivity.

- (1) Thermodynamic stability of the Criegee intermediate (thermodynamic effect).
- (2) Activation energy (kinetic effect).

And the origins of these two factors are,

- (a) Steric repulsion
- (b) Dipole interaction
- (c) Nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon.

In the case of α -Me cyclohexanone, (1) thermodynamic effect based on (a) steric factor predominates in determining the regioselectivity and the most stable intermediate **Me-CP1** becomes the most stable transition state **Me-TS1**. It is noted that the nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon ((2) kinetic effect), which was believed to be the regioselectivity determining factor of α -Me ketone, does not have significant influence on the regioselectivity. For α -F cyclohexanone, strong electron-withdrawing nature of F induces the (b) dipole interaction between peracid moiety to affect both (1) thermodynamic effect and (2) kinetic effect. As a result, **F-TS4** becomes the most stable transition state. Interestingly, F does not have significant influence on (c) the nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon. In α -CF₃ cyclohexanone, all the factors are combined together. (1) Thermodynamic effect is affected by (a) steric repulsion and (b) dipole interaction. And (2) activation energy is affected by (c) nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon. In sharp contrast to α -F cyclohexanone, CF₃ substituent makes a significant influence on the (c) nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon. This combined effect results in the most stable transition state **CF₃-TS4**. In particular, **CF₃-TS4** has bulky CF₃ group in axial position. Compared to **CF₃-TS2**, it could be said that dipole interaction could overcome steric repulsion.

In this chapter, the author has uncovered the origin of the regioselectivity of α -Me, F, CF₃ cyclohexanones. Steric repulsion, dipole interaction, and nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon are the key factors in determining the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction. All of these factors must be considered in order to predict the regioselectivity.

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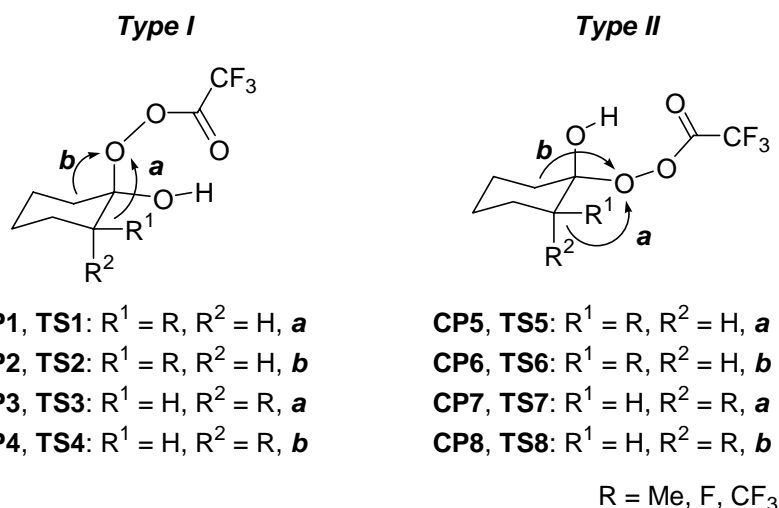
General

Computational calculations were executed on SGI Origin2000 (Tokyo Institute of Technology), Compaq AlphaServer GS320 (Tokyo Institute of Technology), SGI2800 (Institute of Molecular Science), SGI Origin3800 (Institute of Molecular Science), and Fujitsu VPP5000 (Institute of Molecular Science).

Computational Methods

All the calculations were performed with GAUSSIAN 98 and 03 program package. All the structures were optimized at HF/6-31G* and the energies were calculated at B3LYP/6-31+G** using the optimized structure.

Chemical models



Molecular Geometries and Energies

Me-CP1

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| 29 | 1 | 0 | 2.905010 | -2.481075 | 0.996046 |

Me-CP4

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.170127067 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.231931 | -0.323367 | 0.532711 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -3.012367 | -1.139954 | 1.330407 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.174069 | -1.274866 | -0.823207 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.646749 | 0.151549 | -1.114719 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -2.474899 | 1.138597 | -1.095658 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.680862 | 1.109943 | 0.222716 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.346297 | -0.811400 | -0.488973 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -0.778909 | 1.696004 | 0.090971 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -1.805377 | 0.905619 | -1.918217 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -2.454442 | 1.735319 | 1.390707 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.834755 | 2.149036 | -1.265694 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.135413 | 0.185845 | -2.083941 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.559362 | -1.629040 | -1.644635 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.395784 | 0.444532 | -0.383360 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -4.023197 | -1.947943 | -0.753196 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.791838 | -0.028176 | -0.558041 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.370887 | -1.341679 | 0.479514 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.831025 | -0.606209 | 0.022160 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.952341 | -2.334083 | 0.622557 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.570235 | -0.330714 | 1.738523 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.257619 | -1.208984 | 1.926972 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.862399 | -1.619642 | 0.613843 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.066574 | 0.270228 | -0.214383 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 2.848742 | 1.497767 | 0.206132 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.095163 | -0.219233 | 0.426016 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.346754 | 0.312794 | -1.499944 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -3.373085 | 1.206415 | 1.618907 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -2.721049 | 2.756969 | 1.139296 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -1.850882 | 1.755986 | 2.288225 |

Me-CP5

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.172234550 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.209351 | 0.020259 | 0.091918 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.570391 | 0.807756 | 1.510015 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.670484 | 0.376715 | -0.279144 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.938685 | -1.100237 | 0.013112 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.722490 | -1.956402 | -0.340436 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.469680 | -1.453274 | 0.378682 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.805379 | 0.129910 | -1.221091 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0.600436 | -2.024068 | 0.078400 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.556067 | -1.932022 | -1.412971 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 1.584569 | -1.566678 | 1.452375 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.897139 | -2.993448 | -0.070299 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.808824 | -1.434195 | -0.544331 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.549164 | 0.516204 | -1.350254 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.176743 | -1.224712 | 1.068249 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 4.523022 | 0.979188 | 0.020871 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.584130 | 1.032343 | -1.420533 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.419487 | 0.907161 | 0.438197 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 2.191363 | 2.389974 | 0.124118 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.183368 | 0.526178 | 0.954152 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.996122 | -0.167388 | 0.747887 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.859310 | 0.521108 | 0.019805 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.704950 | 1.564584 | -0.496087 |

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| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.172891 | -0.266693 | -0.048521 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.020570 | 0.339105 | -0.837373 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.702662 | -0.361360 | 1.152696 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -2.958522 | -1.481038 | -0.507356 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 2.125036 | 2.566059 | -0.946201 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 3.030961 | 2.972811 | 0.487602 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 1.291880 | 2.772457 | 0.590098 |

Me-CP6

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.169521478 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.278685 | -0.312822 | 0.146163 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.063247 | 1.158542 | 1.433413 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.185379 | 1.228996 | -0.392880 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -4.193724 | 0.135308 | -0.039841 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.594298 | -1.252371 | -0.260102 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.285902 | -1.405166 | 0.515525 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.841460 | -0.418051 | -1.153183 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.826384 | -2.370661 | 0.324294 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.409438 | -1.405963 | -1.319422 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.477049 | -1.352915 | 1.582585 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.288771 | -2.025043 | 0.054966 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -5.093444 | 0.254429 | -0.636277 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.984085 | 1.208735 | -1.460424 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.493193 | 0.238441 | 1.001849 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.608657 | 2.204286 | -0.172343 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.532881 | -1.302312 | -1.319035 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.853530 | 1.094463 | 0.368263 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -0.913528 | 2.243896 | -0.011764 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.203520 | -0.622941 | 1.051634 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.949754 | 0.075697 | 0.745316 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.811738 | -0.654811 | 0.061091 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.663148 | -1.734841 | -0.377262 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.116777 | 0.137656 | -0.079790 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 3.952119 | -0.504804 | -0.852810 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 2.883988 | 1.323836 | -0.598695 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.670717 | 0.300198 | 1.103129 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -0.591293 | 2.160618 | -1.042883 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -1.441543 | 3.185913 | 0.099461 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -0.035598 | 2.283068 | 0.617176 |

Me-CP7

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.169536466 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.169928 | -0.105780 | 0.094089 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -1.673629 | 0.872435 | -1.731294 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.679522 | 1.900386 | -0.112656 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.900243 | 0.987074 | 0.024066 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.557339 | -0.277462 | 0.818305 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.373202 | -1.059280 | 0.218317 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.706160 | 0.292592 | 1.331537 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.078932 | -1.828845 | 0.929498 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.314985 | 0.004480 | 1.838069 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -2.746466 | -1.771495 | -1.088730 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.419726 | -0.935359 | 0.871309 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.706244 | 1.518561 | 0.521415 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.408857 | 2.293399 | 0.861995 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.271604 | 0.721076 | -0.962373 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.915216 | 2.752349 | -0.743085 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.485354 | -0.470976 | 1.853642 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.477904 | 1.155039 | -0.702640 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -0.600845 | 1.789251 | -0.700475 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.169879 | -0.902068 | -0.545890 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.000864 | -0.176214 | -0.676091 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.908209 | -0.526697 | 0.220903 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.800824 | -1.295699 | 1.101274 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.202648 | 0.239493 | -0.075985 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.094859 | -0.009960 | 0.845763 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 2.974753 | 1.534942 | -0.107425 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.684053 | -0.128300 | -1.244628 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -3.013765 | -1.079500 | -1.878612 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -3.602533 | -2.415287 | -0.914347 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -1.933983 | -2.388268 | -1.449790 |

Me-CP8

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.170417431 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.214179 | -0.367109 | -0.135495 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.768686 | 1.990924 | -0.962302 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.899899 | 1.003142 | 1.106325 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 4.038084 | 0.223920 | 0.439245 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.588467 | -1.187692 | 0.054941 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.330967 | -1.155185 | -0.818901 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.772685 | -0.983438 | 1.017646 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.971457 | -2.160649 | -1.019586 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.385280 | -1.759741 | 0.955230 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.550292 | -0.703521 | -1.779681 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.379302 | -1.706983 | -0.477510 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.886116 | 0.168747 | 1.115430 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.661507 | 0.535268 | 2.055864 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.386001 | 0.749103 | -0.446764 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.220044 | 2.017092 | 1.327563 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.499636 | -1.873243 | 0.822155 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.621565 | 1.061693 | 0.247705 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 0.822244 | 1.450181 | 0.868370 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.170481 | -0.395718 | -1.112009 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.949111 | 0.256351 | -0.623732 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.886035 | -0.589038 | -0.225386 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.838684 | -1.761250 | -0.187856 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.122239 | 0.218535 | 0.187305 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.040820 | -0.577720 | 0.666749 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -2.806894 | 1.105788 | 1.106341 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.612644 | 0.854218 | -0.855902 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 0.841957 | 2.067740 | -1.516464 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.034688 | 2.986172 | -0.620966 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 2.540293 | 1.666570 | -1.651346 |

Me-TS1

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.154565222 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.306129 | 0.132688 | 0.745169 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.533565 | -1.028058 | 2.011714 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.544641 | -1.981650 | 0.059655 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.726564 | -1.213671 | -0.533654 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.307408 | 0.131428 | -1.131609 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.565570 | 1.021371 | -0.151704 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.687141 | 0.214261 | -0.377706 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -2.127941 | 2.375212 | -0.675153 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.695919 | -0.020934 | -2.013799 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.121318 | 1.146101 | 0.771579 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.190838 | 0.680363 | -1.451556 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.204666 | -1.809322 | -1.304421 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -1.820600 | -2.208878 | -0.716036 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.474672 | -1.047649 | 0.239493 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.887504 | -2.931314 | 0.457237 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.941825 | -0.627292 | -0.247454 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.859029 | -1.205345 | 1.181097 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.808342 | 0.197340 | 0.149059 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.007549 | -1.752878 | 1.572146 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.854995 | 0.879087 | 1.755320 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.010501 | 1.245909 | 1.518379 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.651681 | 1.219454 | 0.773977 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.235572 | -0.213627 | -0.250009 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 3.349559 | -0.226146 | -1.565939 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.138231 | 0.609759 | 0.229635 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.510343 | -1.425839 | 0.195436 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -1.612590 | 2.292103 | -1.622445 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -1.482470 | 2.879046 | 0.031951 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -3.012765 | 2.988995 | -0.816629 |

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Me-TS2

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.15054908 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.375254 | -0.194744 | 0.718507 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.872156 | 1.148058 | 1.281438 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.844708 | 1.132894 | -0.867354 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.884482 | 0.021346 | -1.018050 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.261362 | -1.371524 | -0.915565 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.441923 | -1.542652 | 0.344652 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.703329 | -0.745842 | -0.236370 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.901486 | -2.471182 | 0.418296 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.639685 | -1.571669 | -1.780025 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.004310 | -1.389429 | 1.257990 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.040844 | -2.129985 | -0.901961 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.389617 | 0.115926 | -1.973584 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.108735 | 1.067083 | -1.663312 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.647423 | 0.134413 | -0.250072 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.332526 | 2.096626 | -0.972368 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -0.867670 | 0.178444 | -0.556614 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.130461 | 1.109609 | 0.487915 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.771865 | -0.271767 | 0.194290 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | 1.191325 | 2.311423 | 0.664853 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.892712 | -0.326943 | 1.952887 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.005018 | -0.693666 | 1.908531 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.662561 | -0.868556 | 1.240214 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.182572 | 0.010788 | -0.349073 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.352713 | -0.603362 | -1.506094 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.120388 | -0.400280 | 0.472253 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.351062 | 1.305902 | -0.545771 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 0.439993 | 2.340399 | -0.112637 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 1.775197 | 3.224623 | 0.616908 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 0.693562 | 2.279395 | 1.625308 |

Me-TS3

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.151453730 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.252604 | 0.433411 | -0.430232 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.491634 | -0.109922 | -2.057306 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.405151 | -1.825215 | -0.726255 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.577068 | -1.457235 | 0.183254 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.149488 | -0.516707 | 1.312874 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.487437 | 0.773758 | 0.849143 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.590008 | 0.043264 | 0.597529 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.994231 | 1.279358 | 1.662613 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.474082 | -1.038083 | 1.980195 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 3.395739 | 1.766063 | 0.123608 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.016982 | -0.230417 | 1.903670 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.997546 | -2.355473 | 0.623580 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.642554 | -2.345898 | -0.156269 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.370781 | -1.004016 | -0.405325 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.740031 | -2.508210 | -1.500229 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.047345 | -0.633596 | 0.039165 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.787639 | -0.601518 | -1.396436 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.891134 | 0.299561 | 0.006599 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 0.930036 | -0.880994 | -1.999751 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.839759 | 1.550378 | -1.030267 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.030584 | 1.796498 | -0.677546 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.703762 | 1.489236 | -0.101016 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.337462 | -0.210530 | 0.123314 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.515157 | -0.801940 | 1.291171 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.214533 | 0.760981 | 0.021431 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.594919 | -1.093550 | -0.824502 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 3.877378 | 1.341144 | -0.746095 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.859164 | 2.653698 | -0.172170 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 4.169182 | 2.049106 | 0.833233 |

Me-TS4

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.14926791 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.277355 | 0.503512 | -0.400500 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | -2.904021 | 1.889092 | 0.959663 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.608529 | -0.618556 | 1.440255 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.669503 | -1.177823 | 0.488611 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.087491 | -1.518468 | -0.885616 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.335334 | -0.359979 | -1.505987 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.569067 | -0.555046 | -0.596367 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.808730 | -0.591121 | -2.416554 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.427491 | -2.374384 | -0.811414 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.940504 | 0.523753 | -1.668525 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.885897 | -1.791478 | -1.571808 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.103131 | -2.074616 | 0.918668 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -1.834590 | -1.362939 | 1.595200 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.484427 | -0.468406 | 0.374699 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.054244 | -0.427220 | 2.411031 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.982679 | -0.438234 | 0.422415 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.958528 | 0.683873 | 0.950167 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.874329 | 0.138725 | -0.251920 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.123529 | 0.911609 | 1.607778 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.842016 | 1.630843 | -0.959605 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.065852 | 1.497287 | -1.279153 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.748036 | 0.895995 | -1.186698 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.293752 | -0.206730 | 0.228629 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 3.520048 | -1.499394 | 0.077183 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.215376 | 0.448789 | -0.437939 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.431899 | 0.084348 | 1.509474 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -3.742927 | 1.769486 | 0.282015 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -3.307506 | 2.020258 | 1.957681 |

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29 1 0 -2.379759 2.793739 0.684150

Me-TS5

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.153495886 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.264327 | -0.191296 | 0.024738 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.860231 | -1.599852 | -1.442503 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.152799 | -1.835334 | 0.279550 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 4.168827 | -0.769447 | -0.128935 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.668933 | 0.641348 | 0.179871 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.400108 | 1.070933 | -0.572061 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 1.060571 | -0.032516 | 1.334087 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 1.954573 | 2.476259 | -0.215239 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.510025 | 0.765548 | 1.244386 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.506110 | 0.918469 | -1.633595 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.422044 | 1.368101 | -0.118603 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 5.107725 | -0.928993 | 0.391340 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.046485 | -1.853373 | 1.359084 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.382331 | -0.853983 | -1.192611 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.495905 | -2.818153 | -0.025105 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.186039 | 0.369058 | 1.472535 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.797820 | -1.552784 | -0.361513 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.046648 | -2.266409 | -0.041059 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.461862 | 0.401200 | -0.779545 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.190521 | -0.452501 | -0.717086 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.893434 | 0.064741 | 0.187847 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.537125 | 0.662587 | 1.178134 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.400725 | -0.122021 | -0.054642 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.123584 | 0.356292 | 0.931600 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.693206 | -1.402419 | -0.190860 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.759393 | 0.499248 | -1.163919 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 1.140775 | 2.816738 | -0.838653 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.795952 | 3.149402 | -0.350634 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 1.647719 | 2.530796 | 0.821610 |

Me-TS6

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.150538938 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.329032 | -0.185209 | -0.008633 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.146036 | 1.144604 | -1.420425 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.434934 | 1.134754 | 0.301442 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -4.291849 | -0.050354 | -0.142696 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.582791 | -1.379750 | 0.102140 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.271036 | -1.523894 | -0.675284 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -1.106224 | -0.383680 | 1.288482 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.760191 | -2.442399 | -0.443989 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.395233 | -1.528461 | 1.157670 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.404203 | -1.399161 | -1.736131 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.201786 | -2.207949 | -0.237294 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -5.235436 | -0.046330 | 0.393088 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -3.328361 | 1.128864 | 1.381850 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.531359 | 0.043161 | -1.200026 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.926268 | 2.065108 | 0.036555 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.210885 | -0.746094 | 1.408260 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.042326 | 1.119984 | -0.339852 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.201639 | 2.323262 | 0.105148 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.470269 | -0.675573 | -0.835681 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.144794 | 0.256789 | -0.732432 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.861311 | -0.261791 | 0.159854 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.523601 | -0.918922 | 1.119225 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.359915 | 0.012882 | -0.050070 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.094053 | -0.472851 | 0.924050 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 3.585808 | 1.312322 | -0.121865 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.765914 | -0.535071 | -1.181308 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | -1.062735 | 2.318544 | 1.179576 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | -1.719957 | 3.236943 | -0.166959 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | -0.230451 | 2.325340 | -0.369105 |

Me-TS7

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.151324859 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.213010 | -0.186544 | 0.096744 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.889432 | -0.420652 | -1.903759 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.104770 | -1.679268 | -0.618398 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 4.129574 | -0.620987 | -0.205303 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.578755 | 0.301647 | 0.884152 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.356006 | 1.147095 | 0.484307 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.956598 | -0.867746 | 1.216727 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.917183 | 1.593732 | 1.360884 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.333747 | -0.274768 | 1.766156 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 2.617167 | 2.169575 | -0.607418 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.334817 | 1.027920 | 1.176198 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 5.025159 | -1.103305 | 0.172609 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.934703 | -2.366864 | 0.203071 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.434857 | -0.040474 | -1.071671 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.483646 | -2.262771 | -1.450522 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.079825 | -0.611618 | 1.547868 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.778469 | -1.035305 | -1.019560 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.023622 | -1.784304 | -1.232270 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.437135 | 0.792186 | -0.185876 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.202980 | 0.117802 | -0.743122 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.951263 | -0.031445 | 0.256850 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.646932 | -0.177441 | 1.418563 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.443389 | -0.018329 | -0.116180 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.215045 | -0.242503 | 0.922198 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.702244 | -0.942402 | -1.023484 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|----------|-----------|
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.771692 | 1.156014 | -0.624308 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 2.835141 | 1.709452 | -1.561953 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 3.482625 | 2.760631 | -0.321322 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 1.776910 | 2.835998 | -0.736447 |

Me-TS8

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -951.148573187 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.262673 | -0.237396 | -0.029879 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.947059 | 2.163382 | 0.492920 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.284023 | 0.710589 | -1.154598 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 4.210662 | -0.005566 | -0.168994 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.556246 | -1.260815 | 0.406014 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.277927 | -0.989199 | 1.207324 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 1.007324 | -1.130388 | -0.986336 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.792466 | -1.897895 | 1.517603 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.341018 | -1.973847 | -0.378990 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.437820 | -0.322340 | 2.035380 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.227144 | -1.747041 | 1.111662 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 5.127456 | -0.289434 | -0.675344 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.139593 | 0.083054 | -2.027522 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.498366 | 0.660879 | 0.639362 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.744541 | 1.630706 | -1.498388 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.103268 | -1.472063 | -0.868528 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.912532 | 1.041043 | -0.545913 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.248775 | 1.348773 | -1.347979 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.452448 | -0.192211 | 0.964073 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.152473 | 0.591041 | 0.374127 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.912522 | -0.304777 | -0.069516 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.625133 | -1.397169 | -0.506738 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.395668 | 0.099995 | -0.026831 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.175740 | -0.816480 | -0.551866 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.586927 | 1.226292 | -0.689897 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.775740 | 0.293329 | 1.223586 |
| 27 | 1 | 0 | 0.952633 | 2.378008 | 0.860768 |
| 28 | 1 | 0 | 2.336793 | 3.062807 | 0.028522 |
| 29 | 1 | 0 | 2.580886 | 1.936399 | 1.342879 |

F-CP1

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.09293891 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.242324 | 0.229617 | 0.565460 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.098420 | -1.098332 | 1.970316 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.291561 | -1.998996 | 0.010096 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.579659 | -1.290092 | -0.424297 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.304725 | 0.136628 | -0.915383 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.541096 | 0.910920 | 0.141240 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.458293 | 0.227591 | -0.627120 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | -2.240618 | 2.174268 | -0.302512 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.723679 | 0.120585 | -1.830516 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.135873 | 1.025132 | 1.038932 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.231703 | 0.658485 | -1.128017 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.071908 | -1.855960 | -1.208042 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -1.658248 | -2.167173 | -0.855297 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.272423 | -1.255609 | 0.414737 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.526757 | -2.975135 | 0.421753 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.756415 | -0.382049 | -0.378506 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.521832 | -1.184137 | 1.054430 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.743850 | 0.496292 | -0.253387 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.584307 | -1.656981 | 1.315470 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.594564 | 0.932423 | 1.547976 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.454135 | 1.825922 | 1.248271 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.680432 | 1.666183 | -0.269518 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.056350 | -0.279991 | -0.094152 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 3.306496 | -0.968848 | -1.187650 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.044633 | 0.546749 | 0.120343 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 2.975212 | -1.118342 | 0.917118 |

F-CP2

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.08903807 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.319140 | -0.472742 | 0.537999 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -3.085926 | -1.475273 | 1.126597 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.338671 | -0.942036 | -0.955395 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.814659 | 0.498965 | -0.750932 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -2.640437 | 1.437832 | -0.458471 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.837524 | 0.949275 | 0.733534 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.493928 | -0.605821 | -0.618627 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | -0.805865 | 1.809254 | 0.975066 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -1.982274 | 1.503113 | -1.318589 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.450087 | 0.931664 | 1.626761 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.991350 | 2.441583 | -0.244495 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.350412 | 0.844024 | -1.628907 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.761601 | -1.010463 | -1.871608 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.520713 | 0.533117 | 0.076943 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -4.189636 | -1.606232 | -1.067467 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.673301 | 0.124719 | -0.499442 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.484128 | -1.415271 | 0.224908 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.700342 | -0.634460 | -0.155131 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -2.079856 | -2.405698 | 0.040810 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.625864 | -0.830220 | 1.665017 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.269355 | -1.705988 | 1.559872 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.693177 | -1.772563 | 0.136244 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 2.976356 | 0.214353 | -0.211502 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 2.861274 | 1.277197 | 0.550492 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 3.999095 | -0.491054 | 0.195460 |

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26 9 0 3.196039 0.605240 -1.449409

F-CP3

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.09148634 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.190151 | -0.392442 | 0.318877 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.149318 | 0.492815 | 1.966935 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.292489 | 1.885100 | 0.318686 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.538830 | 1.287693 | -0.340796 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.186537 | 0.067347 | -1.196949 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.419520 | -0.970874 | -0.396330 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.342433 | -0.078674 | -0.789724 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 2.114649 | -1.805719 | -1.016280 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.581608 | 0.365390 | -2.047076 |
| 10 | 9 | 0 | 3.236520 | -1.468208 | 0.587092 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.084021 | -0.402167 | -1.585719 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.030113 | 2.033023 | -0.958108 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.635069 | 2.294970 | -0.442787 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.250192 | 0.992938 | 0.424960 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.573249 | 2.709435 | 0.966371 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -0.852126 | 0.443416 | -0.336119 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.537785 | 0.837706 | 1.141312 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.834193 | -0.446891 | -0.386206 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 0.627413 | 1.243803 | 1.563296 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.574545 | -1.299387 | 1.138892 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.370405 | -2.096568 | 0.661931 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.770850 | -1.575519 | -0.698779 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.137933 | 0.248647 | 0.022549 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.443048 | 1.178650 | -0.857434 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.111935 | -0.620004 | 0.075722 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.006777 | 0.815749 | 1.201894 |

F-CP4

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.09176757 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.219766 | 0.471396 | 0.433220 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 3.019931 | 1.401973 | 0.998174 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.204314 | 0.906955 | -1.100564 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.632251 | -0.555407 | -0.944609 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.433585 | -1.464552 | -0.654531 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.657824 | -0.987640 | 0.561148 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.359664 | 0.622922 | -0.697718 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0.800660 | -1.609978 | 0.768546 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.764141 | -1.493214 | -1.508153 |
| 10 | 9 | 0 | 2.482643 | -1.050647 | 1.658529 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.763241 | -2.481140 | -0.468092 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.135596 | -0.892070 | -1.845298 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.610338 | 1.021939 | -2.001792 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.347184 | -0.641311 | -0.132182 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 4.077626 | 1.540801 | -1.216595 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -0.780381 | -0.143752 | -0.530784 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.397190 | 1.386642 | 0.111400 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.825902 | 0.589976 | -0.171146 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 2.020977 | 2.393381 | -0.046643 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.553203 | 0.814353 | 1.579454 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.309029 | 1.732936 | 1.550909 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.856827 | 1.738905 | 0.060535 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.059040 | -0.319552 | -0.121007 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -2.839419 | -1.349986 | 0.666514 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.089489 | 0.345489 | 0.328253 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.333060 | -0.767040 | -1.328210 |

F-CP5

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.09436879 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.198414 | -0.038713 | 0.099005 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.522933 | -0.934805 | 1.533091 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.662754 | -0.460558 | -0.245033 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.954080 | 1.017500 | 0.024150 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -2.762091 | 1.887982 | -0.379605 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.485346 | 1.438120 | 0.334726 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.818979 | -0.221964 | -1.205929 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -0.630969 | 2.010790 | -0.001195 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.614101 | 1.831633 | -1.453289 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -1.582638 | 1.591821 | 1.405427 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.956633 | 2.928216 | -0.139156 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.843580 | 1.316548 | -0.520139 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -3.532019 | -0.625111 | -1.309471 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.171989 | 1.163900 | 1.080710 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -4.483476 | -1.090488 | 0.080961 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.703092 | -1.154219 | -1.365352 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.397083 | -0.916431 | 0.459002 |
| 18 | 9 | 0 | -2.103718 | -2.198444 | 0.056755 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.181388 | -0.514497 | 0.978320 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.990934 | 0.179400 | 0.744307 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.868062 | -0.534529 | 0.050193 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.732850 | -1.604678 | -0.407773 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.164245 | 0.276866 | -0.060089 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.028151 | -0.354975 | -0.809272 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 3.686842 | 0.455492 | 1.134733 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 2.924154 | 1.457282 | -0.590780 |

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F-CP6

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.08971204 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.277192 | -0.380134 | 0.122751 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -1.851665 | 1.197646 | 1.424180 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.044888 | 1.346462 | -0.372261 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -4.142150 | 0.350320 | 0.008281 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.678975 | -1.088566 | -0.228031 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.373967 | -1.371642 | 0.519580 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.890659 | -0.496740 | -1.188416 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.012383 | -2.374759 | 0.316474 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.531362 | -1.254453 | -1.290614 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.534976 | -1.304939 | 1.591057 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.437735 | -1.790866 | 0.101618 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -5.038818 | 0.556554 | -0.566563 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.848310 | 1.303249 | -1.438012 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.408140 | 0.478045 | 1.056194 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.343025 | 2.363022 | -0.139095 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.547171 | -1.369837 | -1.345905 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.742275 | 1.055629 | 0.355886 |
| 18 | 9 | 0 | -0.795664 | 1.937272 | -0.080477 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.211932 | -0.748545 | 0.994749 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.922134 | 0.005405 | 0.754148 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.808088 | -0.647807 | 0.021173 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.687219 | -1.696224 | -0.495425 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.093980 | 0.184728 | -0.050376 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 3.960783 | -0.400407 | -0.835051 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 2.843769 | 1.387383 | -0.513485 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.618196 | 0.296998 | 1.152146 |

F-CP7

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.09151586 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.166750 | -0.137167 | 0.080527 |
| 2 | 9 | 0 | -2.659716 | -1.356097 | -1.272275 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.580766 | -0.477610 | 0.706170 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.931642 | 0.874945 | 0.078440 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -2.734330 | 1.829250 | 0.106907 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.498613 | 1.204925 | -0.551744 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.758042 | 0.072774 | 1.380196 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -0.641465 | 1.858473 | -0.455397 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.498841 | 2.093094 | 1.133178 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -1.676897 | 1.036796 | -1.607472 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -2.981233 | 2.751839 | -0.408464 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.771775 | 1.313204 | 0.607732 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -3.377168 | -0.359848 | 1.765171 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.250994 | 0.718896 | -0.947473 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -4.406862 | -1.173866 | 0.607318 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.423478 | -0.737134 | 1.751585 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.361529 | -1.094453 | 0.041078 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -2.083391 | -2.035320 | 0.500798 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.160570 | -0.842518 | -0.634258 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.999510 | -0.089866 | -0.679337 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.909468 | -0.526124 | 0.177996 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.793272 | -1.366169 | 0.990122 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.210082 | 0.251523 | -0.055080 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.100066 | -0.084601 | 0.840240 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 3.685041 | -0.017743 | -1.251666 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 2.990523 | 1.546038 | 0.027420 |

F-CP8

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.09363940 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.204523 | 0.380308 | -0.110433 |
| 2 | 9 | 0 | -1.868062 | -1.642035 | -1.072208 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.870369 | -1.147315 | 1.000403 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -4.016492 | -0.337630 | 0.386464 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.598836 | 1.113328 | 0.131017 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.337303 | 1.188057 | -0.735891 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.775540 | 0.879079 | 1.099130 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.005797 | 2.215045 | -0.858521 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.417856 | 1.613264 | 1.078052 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.534549 | 0.790668 | -1.724150 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.400091 | 1.653170 | -0.363123 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.877520 | -0.365865 | 1.046636 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.636177 | -0.779296 | 1.993497 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.319610 | -0.799216 | -0.548380 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.148251 | -2.191639 | 1.095952 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.480345 | 1.777066 | 0.992394 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.614033 | -1.067427 | 0.149149 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -0.792279 | -1.603457 | 0.598972 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.166735 | 0.467156 | -1.075153 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.949208 | -0.223714 | -0.636279 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.888041 | 0.588139 | -0.174064 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.831606 | 1.751536 | -0.029141 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.132380 | -0.245682 | 0.153095 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.046313 | 0.508791 | 0.703293 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 2.826047 | -1.218068 | 0.985295 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.621366 | -0.774562 | -0.947293 |

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F-TS1

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06655465 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.285053 | -0.189094 | 0.752145 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.601023 | 0.839475 | 2.053311 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.577722 | 1.918172 | 0.161220 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.724871 | 1.168398 | -0.522169 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.271622 | -0.135400 | -1.189121 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.558082 | -1.031278 | -0.217676 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.701993 | -0.191678 | -0.383991 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | 2.122513 | -2.167563 | -0.745817 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.624199 | 0.056748 | -2.034819 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.111555 | -1.253822 | 0.683944 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.130950 | -0.692227 | -1.554766 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.182576 | 1.800763 | -1.274313 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.833812 | 2.210355 | -0.571879 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.499889 | 0.947757 | 0.209267 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.959518 | 2.831738 | 0.604019 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -0.950601 | 0.650002 | -0.205658 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.906913 | 1.092716 | 1.258822 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.812535 | -0.202434 | 0.135368 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 1.088742 | 1.641117 | 1.714357 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.830443 | -0.991870 | 1.701644 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.018449 | -1.372958 | 1.418092 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.652749 | -1.259334 | 0.700021 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.241670 | 0.222287 | -0.242529 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.347880 | 0.337447 | -1.553888 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.139268 | -0.644242 | 0.164898 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.531681 | 1.393679 | 0.294841 |

F-TS2

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06346378 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.352864 | -0.357194 | 0.678120 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.806695 | 0.921829 | 1.529744 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.756216 | 1.348858 | -0.587496 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.845817 | 0.343535 | -0.968669 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.292460 | -1.069679 | -1.170798 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.486962 | -1.556907 | 0.014063 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.734764 | -0.711477 | -0.386439 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.982107 | -2.497989 | -0.119904 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.679329 | -1.111730 | -2.062344 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 3.035137 | -1.579509 | 0.949117 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.111246 | -1.771088 | -1.312472 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.335972 | 0.667173 | -1.879590 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.998247 | 1.415248 | -1.360044 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.611196 | 0.326497 | -0.195117 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.183155 | 2.338144 | -0.467276 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -0.860942 | 0.267526 | -0.543197 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.089437 | 0.977979 | 0.720906 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.760928 | -0.276842 | 0.138278 |
| 19 | 9 | 0 | 1.167363 | 1.918853 | 1.057468 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.874384 | -0.740619 | 1.847595 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.055118 | -1.024463 | 1.735452 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.650522 | -1.037427 | 1.077125 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.176129 | 0.097891 | -0.333139 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.379192 | -0.372182 | -1.552017 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.106555 | -0.394111 | 0.451933 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.324908 | 1.408109 | -0.371365 |

F-TS3

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06781846 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.230712 | 0.456459 | -0.456070 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.590745 | 0.047037 | -2.011185 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.513827 | -1.722134 | -0.746856 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.637853 | -1.334318 | 0.215939 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.150773 | -0.430501 | 1.353972 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.469036 | 0.813666 | 0.859104 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.591701 | 0.020385 | 0.561130 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.999650 | 1.445873 | 1.588510 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.465307 | -0.960135 | 2.003145 |
| 10 | 9 | 0 | 3.282691 | 1.549075 | 0.091664 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.992917 | -0.101328 | 1.957979 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.075201 | -2.226137 | 0.651052 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.750950 | -2.288364 | -0.222629 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.430016 | -0.829635 | -0.328706 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.911279 | -2.371399 | -1.519692 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.050161 | -0.658610 | -0.000049 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.873763 | -0.510312 | -1.421053 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.893230 | 0.276366 | 0.008270 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 1.072594 | -0.814026 | -2.087810 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.825096 | 1.587158 | -1.006695 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.037188 | 1.832700 | -0.632680 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.704153 | 1.469021 | -0.055562 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.339560 | -0.235624 | 0.118051 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.508451 | -0.864126 | 1.267717 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.215242 | 0.739924 | 0.054401 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.604595 | -1.087077 | -0.855641 |

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F-TS4

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06819444 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.261769 | 0.659003 | -0.117049 |
| 2 | 9 | 0 | -2.888483 | 1.123778 | 1.469527 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.570870 | -1.179358 | 1.070567 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.668416 | -1.231331 | 0.004857 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.139913 | -0.901943 | -1.394026 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.393682 | 0.413902 | -1.443319 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.591188 | -0.198897 | -0.787926 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.907201 | 0.640530 | -2.376520 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.496989 | -1.695557 | -1.754906 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.977120 | 1.267929 | -1.119813 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.970119 | -0.822537 | -2.091925 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.113222 | -2.220136 | -0.007994 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -1.794553 | -1.908340 | 0.865862 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.456444 | -0.534689 | 0.271342 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.987942 | -1.416069 | 2.043135 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.973466 | -0.577768 | 0.176175 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.932436 | 0.192231 | 1.167745 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.869482 | 0.241440 | -0.154999 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.171717 | 0.230600 | 1.935450 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.833244 | 1.912072 | -0.081642 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.081327 | 1.943374 | -0.413047 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.744788 | 1.350358 | -0.622362 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.287626 | -0.298769 | 0.092515 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 3.498531 | -1.368321 | -0.653303 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.211874 | 0.587544 | -0.194323 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.433997 | -0.647699 | 1.357734 |

F-TS5

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06645860 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.248932 | -0.202623 | 0.045460 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.885404 | -1.645026 | -1.367629 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.223019 | -1.748252 | 0.331834 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 4.185173 | -0.663571 | -0.153973 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.642935 | 0.735710 | 0.131940 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.354196 | 1.085076 | -0.594160 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 1.037856 | 0.015165 | 1.333527 |
| 8 | 9 | 0 | 1.912769 | 2.267572 | -0.182390 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.474245 | 0.881384 | 1.191289 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.409062 | 1.041784 | -1.665869 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.347689 | 1.497811 | -0.193727 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 5.146661 | -0.765836 | 0.336541 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.145332 | -1.718838 | 1.413461 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.365721 | -0.779892 | -1.220592 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.598880 | -2.729127 | 0.063471 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.181725 | 0.469883 | 1.444546 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.842459 | -1.552814 | -0.288300 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.129650 | -2.283848 | 0.076892 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.475384 | 0.355799 | -0.805094 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.199204 | -0.495395 | -0.704383 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.895477 | 0.071465 | 0.174677 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.532503 | 0.711698 | 1.136394 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.405076 | -0.113484 | -0.054402 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.122405 | 0.434829 | 0.898795 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.709755 | -1.397967 | -0.105821 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.759899 | 0.436069 | -1.201737 |

F-TS6

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06301286 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.302959 | -0.203725 | 0.010165 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.016739 | 1.193334 | -1.425582 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.368009 | 1.215125 | 0.271274 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -4.264268 | 0.055351 | -0.163443 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.615399 | -1.296456 | 0.130962 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.315013 | -1.535599 | -0.640498 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -1.084084 | -0.376317 | 1.299722 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.832869 | -2.457431 | -0.368286 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.435534 | -1.416842 | 1.191221 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.436455 | -1.442328 | -1.705608 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.271853 | -2.106017 | -0.181805 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -5.214080 | 0.115499 | 0.355246 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -3.252031 | 1.223893 | 1.349323 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.483966 | 0.130239 | -1.226309 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.798669 | 2.166754 | -0.017987 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.154818 | -0.666272 | 1.430612 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.988404 | 1.110243 | -0.347524 |
| 18 | 9 | 0 | -1.202853 | 2.110135 | 0.132449 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.499875 | -0.734117 | -0.831469 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.147650 | 0.206965 | -0.779897 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 1.855465 | -0.226213 | 0.155810 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.512115 | -0.812313 | 1.163764 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.356607 | 0.034672 | -0.054361 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.074084 | -0.327672 | 0.984343 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 3.581999 | 1.315015 | -0.278802 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.784821 | -0.645806 | -1.103777 |

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F-TS7

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06854581 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.201780 | -0.161011 | 0.070078 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.961111 | -0.418472 | -1.891249 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.138678 | -1.630326 | -0.521497 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 4.136719 | -0.543910 | -0.111605 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.544178 | 0.440362 | 0.901294 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.338058 | 1.202320 | 0.372698 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.964331 | -0.781938 | 1.221686 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.885930 | 1.873860 | 1.078524 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.271804 | -0.051740 | 1.824043 |
| 10 | 9 | 0 | 2.640540 | 1.827247 | -0.764167 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.269535 | 1.215492 | 1.139742 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 5.018308 | -0.997351 | 0.327991 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.943078 | -2.291317 | 0.315574 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.467896 | 0.003777 | -0.987835 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.561346 | -2.235497 | -1.315571 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.068422 | -0.543146 | 1.529169 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.820644 | -1.022372 | -1.004467 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.088380 | -1.789846 | -1.230132 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.440393 | 0.816222 | -0.236607 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.221453 | 0.107244 | -0.773498 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.950652 | -0.026830 | 0.238771 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.623332 | -0.154126 | 1.399575 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.450622 | -0.023937 | -0.101408 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.199105 | -0.230812 | 0.957406 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.725208 | -0.965996 | -0.985098 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.792674 | 1.139479 | -0.623995 |

F-TS8

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1011.06900689 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.240903 | -0.210968 | -0.013607 |
| 2 | 9 | 0 | 2.143698 | 1.844179 | 0.624643 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.239482 | 0.777011 | -1.163045 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 4.186456 | 0.025388 | -0.223176 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 3.538035 | -1.230587 | 0.361388 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.286603 | -0.959724 | 1.205934 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.980965 | -1.047825 | -1.008818 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.811508 | -1.865260 | 1.539711 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 3.299227 | -1.942198 | -0.418002 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.458001 | -0.266054 | 2.008250 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 4.227447 | -1.719516 | 1.046886 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 5.082644 | -0.260194 | -0.762845 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.044338 | 0.196036 | -2.056938 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.497120 | 0.683856 | 0.581197 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.679558 | 1.718580 | -1.470434 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.062007 | -1.374643 | -0.919963 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.919578 | 1.067110 | -0.475462 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.215371 | 1.580261 | -1.115732 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.445080 | -0.169811 | 0.980976 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.169148 | 0.622022 | 0.375963 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -1.919999 | -0.266354 | -0.091175 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.618196 | -1.338381 | -0.574210 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.409868 | 0.107690 | -0.019578 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.177419 | -0.804825 | -0.569597 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.628111 | 1.252269 | -0.640881 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.779720 | 0.248788 | 1.240159 |

CF₃-CP1

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.90397066 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.755938 | 0.469663 | 0.638322 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.205113 | 2.096894 | 1.903690 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.284969 | 2.843100 | -0.120253 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.732901 | 2.443872 | -0.402231 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.834083 | 0.965759 | -0.778539 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.207811 | 0.060749 | 0.298342 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.031703 | 0.150929 | -0.549673 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 2.399826 | -1.399917 | -0.080633 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.332271 | 0.794586 | -1.723718 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.753320 | 0.181199 | 1.228432 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.872173 | 0.683832 | -0.911359 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.142226 | 3.047242 | -1.206108 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 0.698067 | 2.763094 | -1.030541 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.342672 | 2.639452 | 0.477878 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 1.234471 | 3.879959 | 0.196276 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.293747 | 0.510981 | -0.404736 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 0.677723 | 1.957340 | 0.965388 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -2.074159 | -0.535574 | -0.162362 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.358711 | 2.207239 | 1.148726 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.224810 | -0.198252 | 1.711625 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.239261 | -1.137199 | 1.565606 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.756141 | -1.651081 | 0.004402 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.529751 | -0.054733 | -0.145675 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.868449 | 0.392639 | -1.336062 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.324238 | -1.039126 | 0.179009 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.680728 | 0.920193 | 0.725221 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 1.785555 | -2.229566 | 0.760275 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 3.688802 | -1.705945 | -0.037884 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 1.971291 | -1.689136 | -1.292334 |

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CF₃-CP2

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.89822750 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.129544 | -0.810446 | 0.573689 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.751800 | -1.781040 | 1.515091 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.079048 | -1.996657 | -0.606996 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.760734 | -0.647828 | -0.830208 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -2.730805 | 0.476873 | -0.927869 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.826783 | 0.538828 | 0.316886 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.269854 | -1.220852 | -0.488941 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -0.966112 | 1.797314 | 0.251995 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.113028 | 0.331627 | -1.806679 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.444074 | 0.690551 | 1.195790 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.231322 | 1.430783 | -1.044974 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.355597 | -0.673015 | -1.737542 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.501437 | -2.266878 | -1.485282 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.447483 | -0.444742 | -0.010609 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.818635 | -2.777671 | -0.462356 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.839626 | -0.403197 | -0.572513 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.164533 | -1.940468 | 0.616231 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.906539 | -0.947569 | -0.005221 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -1.626760 | -2.875198 | 0.742418 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.429033 | -0.731987 | 1.750097 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.030443 | -1.574422 | 1.941624 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.967961 | -1.953190 | 0.597529 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.117513 | -0.048103 | -0.281165 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 2.879822 | 1.182504 | 0.107952 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.163449 | -0.502399 | 0.357846 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.377523 | -0.040415 | -1.571477 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | -0.012690 | 1.849914 | 1.158153 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | -1.753390 | 2.850865 | 0.459102 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | -0.404490 | 1.979772 | -0.931676 |

CF₃-CP3

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.90166566 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.620728 | 0.046132 | 0.181128 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.407620 | 0.918419 | 1.936544 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.246190 | 2.494195 | 0.468994 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.567346 | 2.245854 | -0.259692 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.425638 | 1.111086 | -1.277321 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.891095 | -0.202931 | -0.669632 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.325050 | 0.319204 | -0.862833 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.604894 | -0.861396 | -1.483966 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.725937 | 1.414382 | -2.047771 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 2.959944 | -0.987719 | 0.076510 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.368338 | 0.916893 | -1.772176 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 2.881962 | 3.145599 | -0.779166 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 0.503935 | 2.857877 | -0.235755 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.346537 | 2.012036 | 0.459355 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 1.370298 | 3.267355 | 1.220365 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.569075 | 0.570169 | -0.319865 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 0.735916 | 1.221208 | 1.144188 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -2.383684 | -0.469854 | -0.444167 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.234626 | 1.378552 | 1.595948 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.203743 | -1.037646 | 0.907517 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.131659 | -1.809839 | 0.357048 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -2.140231 | -1.529217 | -0.884121 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.767313 | -0.063819 | 0.076517 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.269436 | 0.886753 | -0.682688 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.573144 | -1.091534 | 0.057360 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.680072 | 0.387581 | 1.308899 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 3.305673 | -0.453261 | 1.236884 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 4.062835 | -1.073420 | -0.653139 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 2.572276 | -2.232215 | 0.315445 |

CF₃-CP4

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.90167634 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.733120 | -0.577410 | -0.544691 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.422141 | -1.207680 | -1.649924 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.365984 | -2.427474 | 0.133648 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.030697 | -1.458977 | 1.113483 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.029218 | -0.417703 | 1.621304 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.344000 | 0.381924 | 0.495180 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.313649 | -1.328057 | 0.083182 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0.530594 | 0.954784 | 0.921066 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.247102 | -0.922171 | 2.178052 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | 2.255408 | 1.441627 | -0.112551 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.505628 | 0.268781 | 2.308245 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.429780 | -2.008464 | 1.960258 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.633596 | -3.031414 | 0.660048 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.872739 | -0.968473 | 0.635479 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.100730 | -3.111833 | -0.278180 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.325587 | -0.487466 | 0.508211 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.683961 | -1.679336 | -1.015232 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -2.370522 | -0.512429 | -0.309441 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 1.112781 | -2.366444 | -1.632943 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.215308 | 0.154225 | -1.580359 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.161406 | -0.428782 | -2.230963 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -2.476532 | -1.084597 | -1.327615 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.487586 | 0.337216 | 0.307506 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.048244 | 1.545483 | 0.583992 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.491297 | 0.429981 | -0.522841 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.906409 | -0.221222 | 1.423400 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 3.189366 | 0.943522 | -0.914946 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 2.893294 | 2.100251 | 0.847683 |

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29 9 0 1.585993 2.342455 -0.803257

CF₃-CP5

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.90318397 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.743737 | 0.573729 | -0.096460 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.299638 | 0.050111 | -1.467675 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 3.218047 | 0.751877 | 0.352843 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.184271 | 2.236042 | -0.015553 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 1.804634 | 2.843982 | 0.231486 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.716243 | 2.047464 | -0.488692 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.374439 | 0.489790 | 1.223507 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -0.263313 | 2.440997 | -0.253165 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.593665 | 2.858102 | 1.295608 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 0.847872 | 2.111363 | -1.564504 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 1.779938 | 3.873323 | -0.111749 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.937993 | 2.765084 | 0.558782 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 3.068202 | 0.633561 | 1.420711 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.452110 | 2.352105 | -1.064216 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 4.187797 | 0.334881 | 0.114959 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.378185 | -0.413512 | 1.520057 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.132007 | -0.039962 | -0.399801 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 2.249831 | -1.528784 | -0.105644 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.150326 | -0.181718 | -0.908989 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.438683 | 0.292693 | -0.752307 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -2.168326 | -0.490208 | 0.032713 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.823717 | -1.436533 | 0.632455 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.607093 | 0.039153 | 0.034800 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.338711 | -0.651840 | 0.867488 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.124230 | -0.059358 | -1.171099 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.629484 | 1.304344 | 0.396828 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 1.912944 | -1.821039 | 1.150124 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 3.499338 | -1.936316 | -0.269976 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 1.500599 | -2.271306 | -0.893398 |

CF₃-CP6

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.89754109 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.059140 | -0.807705 | 0.206739 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.183269 | 0.573025 | 1.360742 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.122574 | 0.398743 | -0.567166 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.986634 | -0.801732 | -0.175790 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.190459 | -2.105315 | -0.198605 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.923624 | -1.991502 | 0.650786 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.611465 | -0.947614 | -1.081531 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.319295 | -2.889945 | 0.574956 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.919018 | -2.348555 | -1.221162 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.177391 | -1.868706 | 1.698752 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.795797 | -2.926436 | 0.171528 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.835845 | -0.870573 | -0.848016 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.815604 | 0.319288 | -1.603986 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.390865 | -0.641390 | 0.822054 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -3.700922 | 1.307199 | -0.469239 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.188370 | -1.793832 | -1.183312 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.869149 | 0.499409 | 0.324769 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.118402 | 1.798933 | 0.067088 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.033051 | -0.885327 | 1.128964 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.118850 | -0.139565 | 0.714231 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 2.027644 | -0.878910 | 0.100969 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.944356 | -2.006371 | -0.221196 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.279287 | -0.023937 | -0.132118 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.148337 | -0.692487 | -0.844199 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 2.972363 | 1.084866 | -0.764449 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.825055 | 0.286020 | 1.024224 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | -0.466894 | 1.817912 | -1.078747 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | -1.974656 | 2.815938 | 0.043678 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | -0.256834 | 2.070310 | 1.032149 |

CF₃-CP7

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.89974953 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.634882 | 0.436086 | 0.251551 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 2.543545 | -1.285764 | -0.179885 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.974329 | 0.915203 | 1.035203 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.173717 | 1.889909 | -0.129126 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 1.840992 | 2.498417 | -0.568846 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 0.804653 | 1.420111 | -0.900057 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.051765 | 1.122409 | 1.296098 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -0.157913 | 1.873395 | -1.095851 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.454057 | 3.134340 | 0.220863 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 1.097346 | 0.868967 | -1.783475 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 1.984983 | 3.128346 | -1.440750 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.853991 | 2.675916 | 0.183795 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.595481 | 1.461619 | 1.891083 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.645639 | 1.384762 | -0.965673 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.915577 | 0.473958 | 1.334661 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.182709 | 0.518475 | 1.993161 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.960743 | -0.207798 | 0.728378 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.742241 | -0.738247 | 1.650075 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.186593 | -0.667365 | -0.106635 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.427377 | -0.218624 | -0.519727 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -2.354198 | -0.392540 | 0.411734 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -2.208544 | -0.768575 | 1.513890 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.717241 | -0.023271 | -0.185349 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.642098 | -0.089940 | 0.734596 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.020758 | -0.854543 | -1.158152 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.686997 | 1.198772 | -0.671867 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 1.818854 | -2.388506 | -0.172567 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 3.754338 | -1.628619 | 0.240946 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 2.670968 | -0.906765 | -1.443902 |

CF₃-CP8

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.90153660 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.800288 | -0.825770 | -0.137275 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.768493 | 1.568120 | -0.165388 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.626651 | -0.185724 | 1.468586 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.646535 | -0.955454 | 0.622754 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.980080 | -2.095064 | -0.150802 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.804536 | -1.594654 | -0.995811 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.207158 | -1.631907 | 0.810915 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.278865 | -2.426124 | -1.456250 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.626619 | -2.847365 | 0.547788 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.154463 | -0.957766 | -1.796560 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.700201 | -2.581577 | -0.800575 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.414256 | -1.356773 | 1.277050 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.232423 | -0.842544 | 2.234790 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.146160 | -0.284638 | -0.067848 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.101600 | 0.642365 | 1.978360 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.186369 | -2.387566 | 0.387223 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.419901 | 0.338154 | 0.660253 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 0.664783 | 0.683704 | 1.355240 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.173362 | -0.403886 | -1.083562 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.233493 | 0.208526 | -0.440419 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -2.283615 | -0.592812 | -0.340949 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -2.361180 | -1.724556 | -0.642757 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.452240 | 0.209141 | 0.244088 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.475718 | -0.576786 | 0.449561 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.103001 | 0.760385 | 1.386500 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.805948 | 1.161417 | -0.590768 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 0.700154 | 2.157108 | -0.667645 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 2.374637 | 2.468187 | 0.597858 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 2.586568 | 1.316048 | -1.180547 |

CF₃-TS1

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87510023 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.839977 | 0.702517 | 0.842693 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 1.800249 | 2.305022 | 1.817373 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 1.810243 | 2.768566 | -0.305848 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.132380 | 2.087219 | -0.656029 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.950228 | 0.602749 | -0.975363 |

Experimental Section

| | | | | | |
|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 2.262009 | -0.157441 | 0.144314 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.350899 | 0.228593 | -0.251403 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | 2.099331 | -1.643246 | -0.129405 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.381840 | 0.481004 | -1.888092 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.778683 | -0.070874 | 1.092922 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.918608 | 0.136414 | -1.133367 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.583014 | 2.571906 | -1.515184 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.118513 | 2.692623 | -1.138349 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.832476 | 2.201219 | 0.169181 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 1.977371 | 3.825913 | -0.130844 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.413830 | 0.777325 | -0.367968 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.170823 | 2.172552 | 0.944407 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -2.147636 | -0.073994 | 0.203379 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 0.219950 | 2.648063 | 1.162477 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.448949 | 0.171496 | 1.983909 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.277644 | -0.454839 | 1.821017 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.852432 | -0.870574 | 1.062651 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.598935 | -0.034872 | -0.302995 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.637477 | -0.326708 | -1.589903 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.366382 | -0.888110 | 0.333168 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -4.108947 | 1.172934 | -0.142099 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 1.611947 | -1.892431 | -1.323994 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 1.340706 | -2.238742 | 0.762742 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 3.303235 | -2.197551 | -0.069422 |

CF₃-TS2

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87492914 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 1.095984 | -0.642408 | 0.704364 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | 2.752056 | 0.585501 | 1.060448 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.787661 | 0.133534 | -1.054997 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.660878 | -1.113999 | -0.934044 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.833585 | -2.362038 | -0.630075 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.980819 | -2.188258 | 0.603527 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.366245 | -1.270990 | -0.143853 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.303214 | -2.995277 | 0.822025 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.205607 | -2.617358 | -1.475121 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.540978 | -1.941850 | 1.496954 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.488077 | -3.211850 | -0.450156 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.205418 | -1.261426 | -1.860071 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.065405 | 0.006906 | -1.852669 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.405179 | -0.968075 | -0.153902 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.405138 | 0.984135 | -1.316780 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.108432 | -0.230899 | -0.607525 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 2.044603 | 0.465364 | 0.247713 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -2.029333 | -0.421223 | 0.225850 |
| 19 | 6 | 0 | 1.369907 | 1.833225 | 0.120312 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.637593 | -0.493859 | 1.937218 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.316709 | -0.702455 | 1.954036 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -1.947120 | -0.811364 | 1.369933 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.422795 | -0.110093 | -0.344958 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -3.701074 | -0.953425 | -1.323695 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.363358 | -0.217189 | 0.564438 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.464133 | 1.113462 | -0.834951 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 0.719896 | 1.971039 | -1.015399 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 2.318450 | 2.764281 | 0.141020 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 0.538163 | 2.101169 | 1.102242 |

CF₃-TS3

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87030980 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -0.658549 | 0.129464 | -0.517122 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -1.766664 | 1.008810 | -2.079898 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -1.556429 | 2.532160 | -0.547633 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -2.788528 | 2.189132 | 0.285968 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -2.472571 | 1.135098 | 1.348179 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.895709 | -0.175755 | 0.825302 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.006065 | 0.282369 | 0.575652 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.477496 | -0.764893 | 1.623936 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -1.754552 | 1.538934 | 2.051030 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -2.886272 | -1.111497 | 0.124849 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.363811 | 0.890273 | 1.915394 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -3.149969 | 3.077514 | 0.792664 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -0.765835 | 2.906978 | 0.094700 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -3.592564 | 1.849120 | -0.359517 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -1.793508 | 3.325111 | -1.248770 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 1.754994 | 0.753191 | 0.089992 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.047225 | 1.335206 | -1.342189 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 2.429429 | -0.303028 | -0.020139 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.132881 | 1.583673 | -1.871982 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.399332 | -0.936751 | -1.243472 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | 0.377410 | -1.399558 | -0.881083 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 2.042646 | -1.428174 | -0.242565 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.937487 | -0.065777 | 0.164598 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.177338 | 0.371226 | 1.387990 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.637086 | -1.160315 | -0.022005 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 4.369580 | 0.846136 | -0.686885 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | -3.308118 | -0.670368 | -1.042667 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | -2.392815 | -2.315426 | -0.035386 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | -3.948061 | -1.223594 | 0.909597 |

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CF₃-TS4

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87819915 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.739554 | 0.245993 | -0.595410 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 2.579873 | -1.332255 | 0.152201 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.029149 | 0.752725 | 1.539315 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 2.936802 | 1.789594 | 0.872977 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.210412 | 2.561400 | -0.230944 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.577949 | 1.655328 | -1.263964 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.120833 | 1.158074 | -0.322822 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 0.936385 | 2.145374 | -1.976046 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.450736 | 3.203676 | 0.198200 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.277873 | 1.021121 | -1.790167 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 2.911127 | 3.205093 | -0.757442 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 3.278834 | 2.491990 | 1.625238 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 1.163129 | 1.246724 | 1.964222 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 3.823104 | 1.311439 | 0.469389 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 2.547823 | 0.274167 | 2.358707 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | -1.552565 | 0.366982 | 0.569997 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.509728 | -0.337568 | 0.587138 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -2.395391 | -0.030779 | -0.276874 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | 0.764967 | -0.928068 | 1.111408 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 0.447403 | -0.613616 | -1.561547 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.498928 | -0.539892 | -1.781318 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -2.220308 | -0.317738 | -1.438788 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.813111 | -0.144599 | 0.306696 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.239274 | 1.046289 | 0.686697 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -4.668160 | -0.626047 | -0.564134 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -3.814489 | -0.936054 | 1.363314 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 3.366884 | -0.846574 | -0.804059 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 3.363675 | -1.641172 | 1.173256 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 2.065317 | -2.456471 | -0.293267 |

CF₃-TS5

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87247147 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -0.844259 | 0.856942 | 0.010690 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -1.338952 | 2.117789 | -1.622724 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.519667 | 2.716979 | 0.099112 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.667084 | 1.733470 | -0.130060 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.318879 | 0.308870 | 0.305860 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.149433 | -0.312142 | -0.480852 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.626835 | 0.847875 | 1.309519 |
| 8 | 6 | 0 | -1.909133 | -1.770506 | -0.110901 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -3.103045 | 0.266969 | 1.365653 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -2.293895 | -0.235508 | -1.544736 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.166498 | -0.341379 | 0.119107 |

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|----|---|---|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.545938 | 2.052952 | 0.419481 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.356191 | 2.859274 | 1.161531 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -3.942136 | 1.728428 | -1.182625 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.769019 | 3.685146 | -0.319979 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.137158 | 0.272793 | 1.508327 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.235581 | 2.203701 | -0.547699 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -0.394362 | 2.857052 | -0.344792 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.190671 | 0.030098 | -0.722607 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.586898 | 0.626123 | -0.763842 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 2.211669 | 0.109740 | 0.197522 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.775855 | -0.302630 | 1.249418 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.726295 | 0.025590 | -0.054350 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.372245 | -0.469690 | 0.975321 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.217171 | 1.226133 | -0.305131 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.969800 | -0.742085 | -1.100238 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | -1.103691 | -2.377988 | -0.950618 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | -3.068234 | -2.414199 | -0.155110 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | -1.426476 | -1.901181 | 1.105210 |

CF₃-TS6

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87481964 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.025072 | -0.695367 | -0.040792 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.140537 | 0.433100 | -1.451871 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -3.358032 | 0.168621 | 0.319774 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.971323 | -1.160096 | -0.115994 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.009719 | -2.325328 | 0.090330 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.722186 | -2.201272 | -0.724199 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.780079 | -0.843542 | 1.249139 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.032192 | -3.001096 | -0.522284 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.766426 | -2.446955 | 1.137656 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -1.900160 | -2.082444 | -1.779104 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.463338 | -3.254962 | -0.247517 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.878858 | -1.340092 | 0.449630 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -3.206743 | 0.177353 | 1.392709 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.259923 | -1.106661 | -1.163511 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -4.033155 | 0.978748 | 0.079866 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.161507 | -1.083297 | 1.374913 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -2.010228 | 0.425733 | -0.375958 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | -1.494047 | 1.817357 | -0.024265 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.109105 | -1.042720 | -0.874335 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.407846 | 0.037399 | -0.737503 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 2.150486 | -0.423751 | 0.161051 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.850836 | -1.107868 | 1.117773 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.629017 | -0.047332 | -0.032627 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.375354 | -0.445806 | 0.971418 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 3.767037 | 1.258566 | -0.151978 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 4.090790 | -0.611086 | -1.135079 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | -1.258150 | 1.963590 | 1.263647 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | -2.415600 | 2.712942 | -0.361151 |

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29 9 0 -0.400491 2.124990 -0.681855

CF₃-TS7

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87257400 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -0.669160 | -0.806146 | -0.098863 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -1.402482 | -0.810215 | 1.889561 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.423790 | -2.374391 | 0.784788 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.535837 | -1.512348 | 0.185805 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.045719 | -0.728552 | -1.033938 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -1.928469 | 0.305332 | -0.778315 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.253714 | -1.592373 | -1.077129 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -1.512921 | 0.647336 | -1.710448 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.681812 | -1.411587 | -1.789391 |
| 10 | 6 | 0 | -2.362754 | 1.520187 | 0.031969 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -3.860030 | -0.165576 | -1.477052 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.358789 | -2.143519 | -0.131934 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -2.149587 | -3.159020 | 0.087515 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -3.932606 | -0.835871 | 0.935271 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.772686 | -2.858541 | 1.689785 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | 0.584235 | -1.240356 | -1.437806 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.191025 | -1.533744 | 1.116462 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | -0.368449 | -2.155563 | 1.451712 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | -0.095039 | 0.335936 | 0.031710 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | 1.619438 | 0.013031 | 0.714500 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | 2.410307 | -0.150850 | -0.247660 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 2.163263 | -0.520640 | -1.375519 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 3.869057 | 0.171715 | 0.116042 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 4.689997 | -0.063588 | -0.880810 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 4.257773 | -0.556605 | 1.146321 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | 3.980301 | 1.444328 | 0.448342 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | -2.511902 | 1.258755 | 1.316827 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | -3.534374 | 1.941447 | -0.422537 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | -1.520919 | 2.519893 | -0.087416 |

CF₃-TS8

E(B3LYP/6-31+G**//HF/6-31G*) = -1248.87641035 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | 0.823407 | -0.731244 | -0.060902 |
| 2 | 6 | 0 | 1.951850 | 1.577026 | 0.031835 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | 2.960578 | -0.346994 | -1.316573 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | 3.762530 | -1.093622 | -0.246812 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | 2.902604 | -2.105738 | 0.508551 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | 1.724825 | -1.497545 | 1.276550 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | 0.412296 | -1.677034 | -0.898083 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | 1.076725 | -2.249621 | 1.689941 |

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| 9 | 1 | 0 | 2.533943 | -2.870837 | -0.161553 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | 2.020035 | -0.768076 | 2.005818 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | 3.496248 | -2.602531 | 1.273544 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | 4.577649 | -1.623105 | -0.728333 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | 2.656647 | -1.043232 | -2.088763 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | 4.211820 | -0.396120 | 0.450511 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | 3.573361 | 0.406934 | -1.792228 |
| 16 | 1 | 0 | -0.530625 | -1.871966 | -0.721603 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | 1.680845 | 0.313264 | -0.771354 |
| 18 | 1 | 0 | 1.069970 | 0.640403 | -1.605260 |
| 19 | 8 | 0 | 0.059499 | -0.417180 | 0.913418 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -1.457082 | 0.452746 | 0.204075 |
| 21 | 6 | 0 | -2.329452 | -0.406607 | -0.067862 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | -2.178952 | -1.579361 | -0.340686 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | -3.758882 | 0.159527 | -0.038466 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | -4.652378 | -0.734660 | -0.393568 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | -3.864356 | 1.189405 | -0.857489 |
| 26 | 9 | 0 | -4.054300 | 0.572807 | 1.180203 |
| 27 | 9 | 0 | 0.850411 | 2.221941 | 0.333784 |
| 28 | 9 | 0 | 2.709628 | 2.396649 | -0.681277 |
| 29 | 9 | 0 | 2.601919 | 1.346788 | 1.169273 |

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E(HF/6-31G*) = -907.037076863 a.u.

| Center Number | Atomic Number | Atomic Type | Coordinates (Angstroms) | | |
|------------------|------------------|----------------|-------------------------|-----------|-----------|
| | | | X | Y | Z |
| 1 | 6 | 0 | -1.375209 | 0.526513 | 0.465226 |
| 2 | 1 | 0 | -2.302519 | -0.583271 | 1.997484 |
| 3 | 6 | 0 | -2.595505 | -1.670842 | 0.153307 |
| 4 | 6 | 0 | -3.837283 | -0.917561 | -0.331465 |
| 5 | 6 | 0 | -3.458520 | 0.405938 | -1.001699 |
| 6 | 6 | 0 | -2.593364 | 1.270576 | -0.079157 |
| 7 | 8 | 0 | -0.564368 | 0.353551 | -0.704506 |
| 8 | 1 | 0 | -2.258352 | 2.168446 | -0.591059 |
| 9 | 1 | 0 | -2.919824 | 0.206763 | -1.922884 |
| 10 | 1 | 0 | -3.167769 | 1.586071 | 0.786388 |
| 11 | 1 | 0 | -4.351793 | 0.960025 | -1.273411 |
| 12 | 1 | 0 | -4.401350 | -1.534748 | -1.024302 |
| 13 | 1 | 0 | -1.997006 | -1.974443 | -0.700871 |
| 14 | 1 | 0 | -4.492363 | -0.719532 | 0.515521 |
| 15 | 1 | 0 | -2.886463 | -2.579960 | 0.670436 |
| 16 | 8 | 0 | 0.602853 | -0.314482 | -0.379776 |
| 17 | 6 | 0 | -1.748013 | -0.808962 | 1.091927 |
| 18 | 6 | 0 | 1.640875 | 0.503358 | -0.304255 |
| 19 | 1 | 0 | -0.844956 | -1.323518 | 1.394395 |
| 20 | 8 | 0 | -0.678224 | 1.255084 | 1.401366 |
| 21 | 1 | 0 | -0.411023 | 2.087913 | 1.027568 |
| 22 | 8 | 0 | 1.654574 | 1.671769 | -0.414543 |
| 23 | 6 | 0 | 2.900397 | -0.335609 | -0.058651 |
| 24 | 9 | 0 | 3.127215 | -1.117671 | -1.093059 |
| 25 | 9 | 0 | 3.934096 | 0.444536 | 0.115673 |

Experimental Section

26 9 0 2.751407 -1.089264 1.009500

Chapter 9

Summary

Organofluorine compounds continue to attract much attention, because of their important applications as biological active agents, liquid crystalline materials, and so on. One of the most important fluorine-containing compounds is a CF_3 one, which exhibits specific physical and biological properties. The development of the synthetic methodologies and the selective reactions of $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds are the theme of this thesis. Furthermore, understanding specific chemical properties of $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds in these reactions by computational approaches is the primary concern (Figure 9-1).

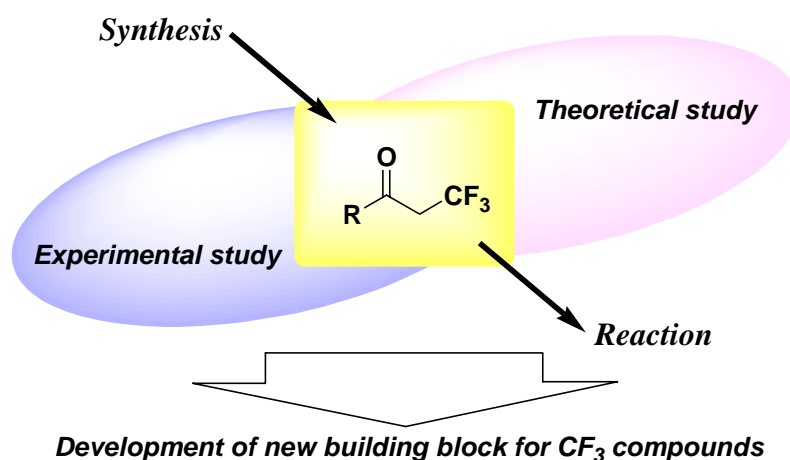
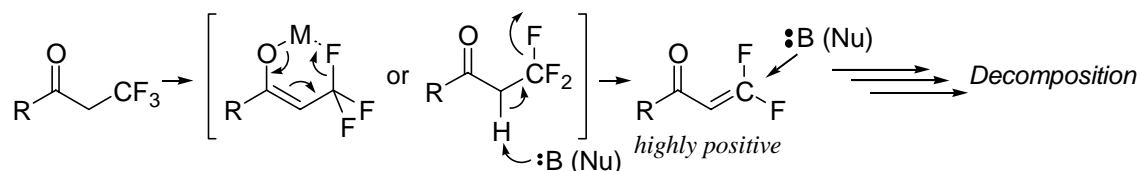


Figure 9-1. Basic concept of the thesis.

In order to make successful research, one thing has to be considered; $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds are sensitive to base and readily decompose (Scheme 9-1). This is the reason why the synthesis, reaction, and origin of the reactivity of $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds are not enough explored to date.

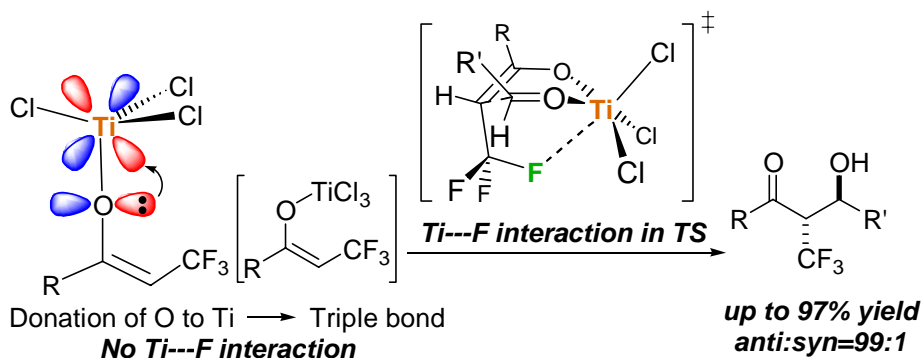
Scheme 9-1.



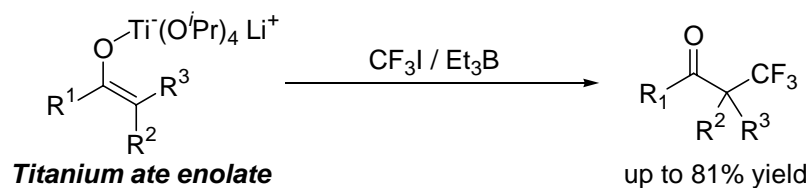
The author investigated three kinds of reactions concerning $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ carbonyl compounds: enolate generation and aldol reaction of $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ ketone, radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolates, and Baeyer-Villiger (B-V) reaction of $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ ketone.

In Chapter 2 and 3, enolate generation and aldol reactions of α -CF₃ ketones are described from experimental and theoretical view points. Enolate generation of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds is recognized to be difficult due to the rapid decomposition (Scheme 9-1). However, the author discovered that Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones could be generated and used for further functionalization; the aldol reactions of Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones proceeded in up to quantitative yield and virtually perfect diastereoselectivity. The aldol reaction of Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones showed *anti*-diastereoselectivity, which is quite anomalous for the aldol reaction of Ti enolates. The origin of the stability of the Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones was investigated theoretically; Ti-F interaction plays an important role in the course of these reactions. In the Ti enolate of α -CF₃ ketone, there is no Ti-F interaction because of the multiple bonding nature of Ti-O bond which retards F-elimination. On the other hand, at the transition state of the aldol reaction, there is a clear Ti-F interaction and, as a result, the aldol reaction shows *anti*-diastereoselectivity (Scheme 9-2).

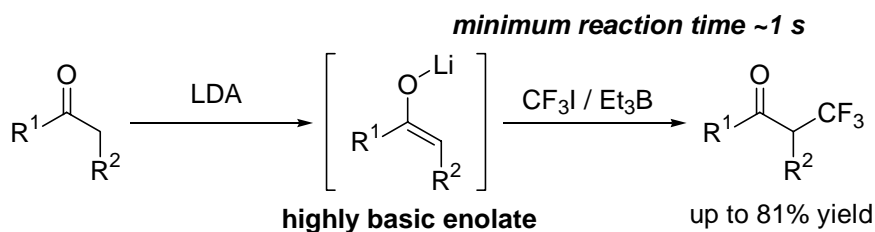
Scheme 9-2.



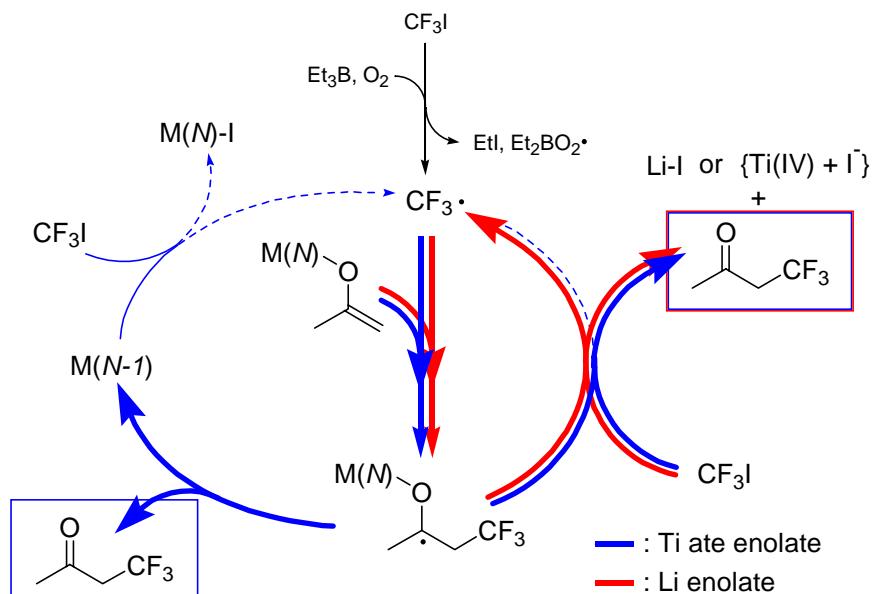
Radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolates is reported experimentally and theoretically in Chapter 4, 5, and 6. Radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolates is, in principle, one of the simplest and efficient ways to introduce a CF₃ unit at the α position of a carbonyl group. However defluorination (Scheme 9-1) is problematic and, hence, radical trifluoromethylation of metal enolates is thought to be impossible to carry out. In fact, the previous example is only limited to the Li enolate of a sterically demanding imide; the imide substrate was designed not to decompose. On the basis of the fact that Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones are stable to defluorination, the author investigated the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti enolate and discovered that Ti ate enolate gave the α -CF₃ ketone in up to 81% yield (Scheme 9-3).

Scheme 9-3.

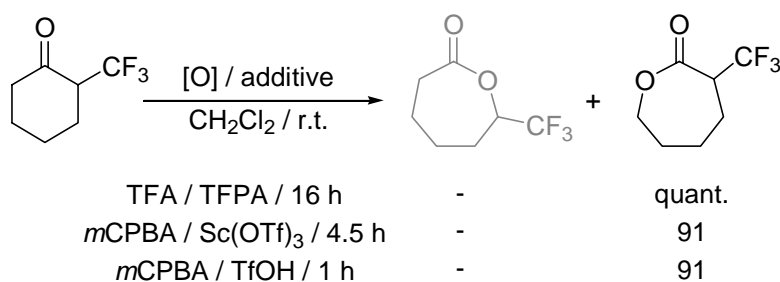
During the course of exploration of the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates, the author discovered that Li enolates could be, in fact, employed for radical trifluoromethylation and that the reaction proceeded extremely fast; minimum reaction time is ~1 s (Scheme 9-4).

Scheme 9-4.

In investigating the amount of radical initiator (Et_3B), an interesting result was obtained. In the case of Ti ate enolates, the yields gradually decreased along with the amount of Et_3B decreased under the reaction conditions. In sharp contrast, this is not the case with Li enolates; $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ product could be obtained in good yield even when the amount of Et_3B was reduced to 5 mol%. This indicates that radical cycle does not work for Ti ate enolates but does work for Li enolates. Theoretical investigation of the mechanism of the radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate and Li enolates uncovered that the key difference was in radical chain propagation step. The experimentally observed difference between Ti ate enolate and Li enolate could be attributed to the bond forming ability of the metal species with I to regenerate CF_3 radical; Li species could form Li-I to regenerate CF_3 radical and, however, Ti species does not have the driving force for the formation of Ti-I bond (Scheme 9-5).

Scheme 9-5.

In view of the specific stereoelectronic effects of CF_3 group, the B-V reaction of the $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ ketone is investigated experimentally and theoretically in Chapter 7 and 8. According to the B-V reaction of $\alpha\text{-F}_{\text{ax}}$ cyclohexanone, migration of the carbon attached with CF_3 could be expected. However, B-V reaction of $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ cyclohexanone by trifluoroperacetic acid (TFPA) gave complete migration of the non-substituted carbon. Further investigation revealed that the use of *m*CPBA in combination with $\text{Sc}(\text{OTf})_3$ or TfOH increase the reaction rate (Scheme 9-6).

Scheme 9-6.

The origin of the regioselectivity of the B-V reaction was investigated theoretically not only for $\alpha\text{-CF}_3$ cyclohexanone, but also for $\alpha\text{-Me}$ and F cyclohexanones. Investigation of the energy profiles of the rearrangement step reveals that there are two factors in determining the regioselectivity.

- (1) Thermodynamic stability of the Criegee intermediate (thermodynamic effect).
- (2) Activation energy (kinetic effect).

And the origins of these two factors are,

- (a) Steric repulsion
- (b) Dipole interaction
- (c) Nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon.

In the case of α -Me cyclohexanone, (1) thermodynamic effect based on (a) steric factor predominates in determining the regioselectivity. Strong electron-withdrawing nature of F induces the (b) dipole interaction between peracid moiety to affect both (1) thermodynamic effect and (2) kinetic effect for α -F cyclohexanone. In α -CF₃ cyclohexanone, all the factors are combined together. (1) Thermodynamic effect is affected by (a) steric repulsion and (b) dipole interaction. And (2) activation energy is affected by (c) nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon. It is noted that the most stable transition state has bulky CF₃ group in axial position (Figure 9-2).

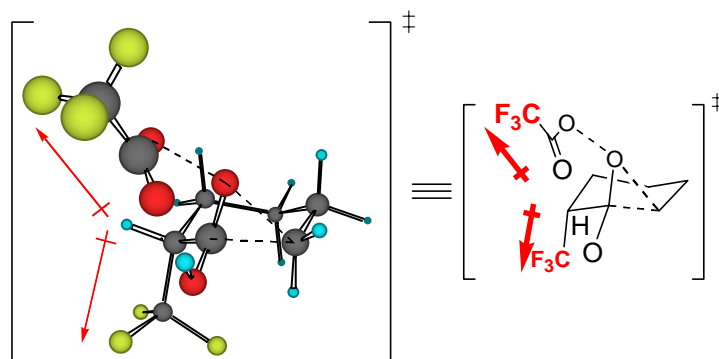


Figure 9-2. The most stable transition state of the B-V reaction of α -CF₃ cyclohexanone.

In this research project titled “Chemistry of α -CF₃ Carbonyl Compounds: Development of Selective Reactions and their Theoretical Studies”, the author discovered the synthesis and the reactions of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds.

Generation of stable Ti enolates of α -CF₃ ketones was achieved and its aldol reaction proceeded in up to quantitative yield and virtually perfect *anti*-selectivity. Theoretical investigation reveals that the stability of the Ti enolate stems from the multiple bonding nature of the Ti-O bond, and the anomalous *anti*-stereoselectivity could

be attributed to the Ti-F interaction only at the transition state.

Radical trifluoromethylation of Ti ate enolates and Li enolates were found to be one of the most efficient ways to synthesize α -CF₃ ketone. Computational tracing of the reaction of both Ti ate and Li enolates disclosed that the difference between these enolates exists in radical chain propagation step.

The Baeyer-Villiger reaction of the α -CF₃ ketone gave the product in quantitative yield and complete regioselectivity. Theoretical investigation unveiled that the regioselectivity is determined by combined effects of steric repulsion, dipole interaction, and nucleophilicity of the migrating carbon.

The author has thus made a significant breakthrough in direct generation of metal enolate of α -CF₃ ketone, synthetic methodology of the α -CF₃ ketone *via* radical trifluoromethylation of a ketone metal enolate which have been believed to be difficult. The discovery of the synthetic methods, archetype transformation, and specific characteristics of α -CF₃ carbonyl compounds in experimental and theoretical point of view should provide a basis for the further development of the chemistry of CF₃ containing compounds.

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