

## Supplementary Material

### Spiro[bicyclo[3.2.0]heptane-2,2'-[1,3]dioxolan]-6-one - a versatile intermediate for the synthesis of cyclopentane-derived natural products

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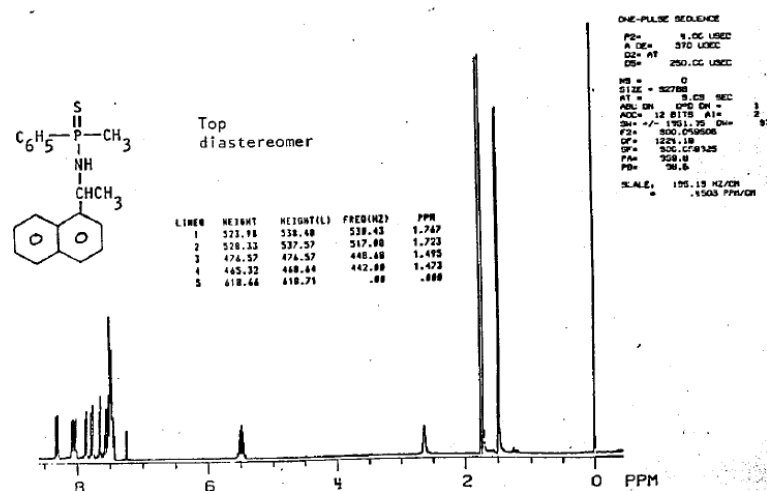
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***P*-Methyl-*N*-[1-(1-naphthalenyl)ethyl]-*P*-phenylphosphinothioic amide (7)**

A solution of methylphenylphosphinothioic chloride (19.06 g, 0.1 mol) in anhydrous THF (80 mL) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of (+)-(*R*)-1-(1-naphthyl)ethylamine (17.12 g, 0.1 mol) and Et<sub>3</sub>N (20.24 g, 0.2 mol) in anhydrous THF (800 mL) maintained at 0 °C. The mixture was stirred for 2 h and then warmed to room temperature. After stirring for 14 h, the mixture was filtered and concentrated to leave an oil which was purified by flash chromatography using hexane and EtOAc (10:1) as eluant. The diastereomers were subsequently separated by preparative MPLC using a mixture of hexane and EtOAc (10:1) as eluant. The more mobile material (12.99 g, 40 %) was isolated as a viscous oil. IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3370, 2980, 1298, 1176, 1118, 955, 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

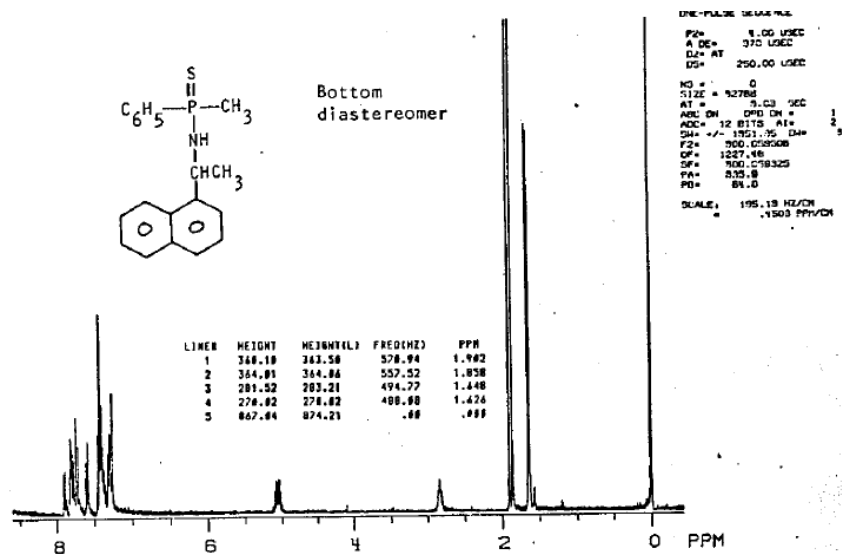
<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)



[ $\alpha$ ]<sub>D</sub> (25 °C) +11.71° (c = 1.3, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NPS: C, 70.13; H, 6.20. Found: C, 70.07; H, 6.05.

Further elution provided the more polar diastereomer as a solid (12.70 g, 39 %), mp 113 °C. IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3370, 2980, 1298, 1176, 1118, 955, 895 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>)  $\delta$

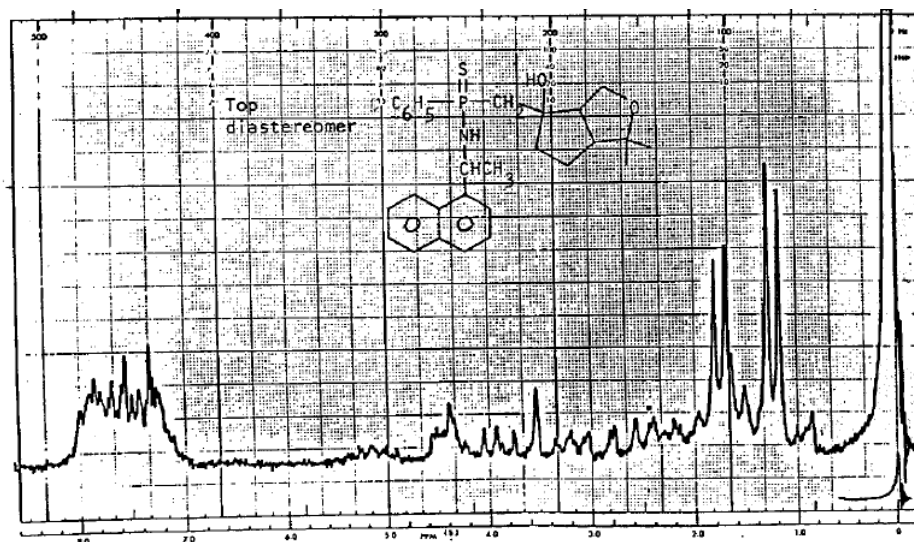


$[\alpha]_D$  (25 °C) +47.07° (c = 0.98, CHCl<sub>3</sub>). Anal. calcd. for C<sub>19</sub>H<sub>20</sub>NPS: C, 70.13; H, 6.20. Found: C, 70.08; H, 6.21.

### Adducts 32a and 32b

A solution of *n*-BuLi in hexane (11.2 mmol) was added dropwise to a solution of the more polar diastereomer of **7** (1.82 g, 5.6 mmol) in anhydrous THF maintained at -78 °C under an atmosphere of Ar. After 5 min, the mixture was warmed to room temperature, stirred 15 min and then re-cooled to -78 °C. A solution of **6** (0.86 g, 5.6 mmol) in THF (5 mL) was added dropwise, the mixture stirred at -78 °C for 3 h and warmed to 0 °C before being poured onto satd. NH<sub>4</sub>Cl solution. The mixture was extracted with Et<sub>2</sub>O, the extracts dried over Na<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub> and the solvent removed. The residual white solid was subjected to medium pressure liquid chromatography (MPLC) over silica gel using a mixture of hexane, EtOAc and CH<sub>2</sub>Cl<sub>2</sub> (12:3:1) as eluant to give **32a** (0.75 g, 28%), mp 172-173 °C. IR (CHCl<sub>3</sub>) 3310, 2960, 1440, 1370, 1295, 1175, 1105, 955 cm<sup>-1</sup>;

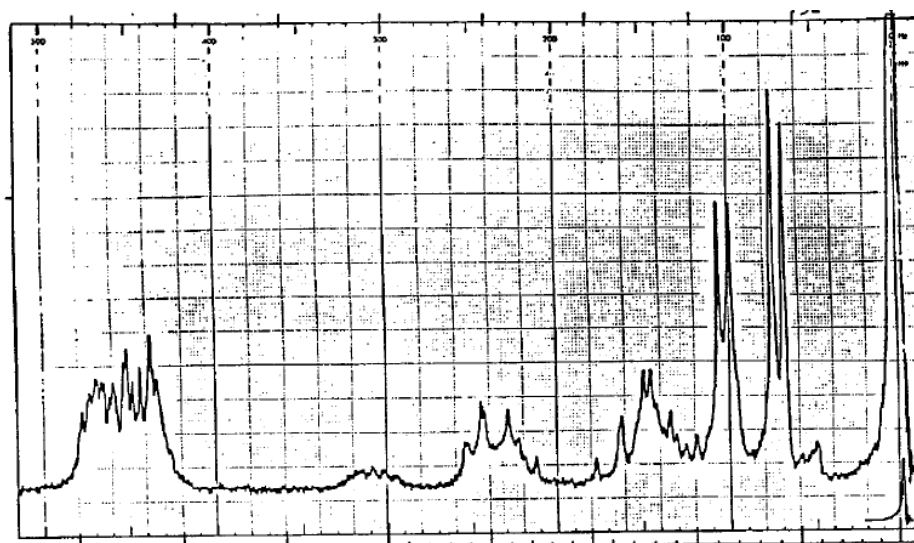
<sup>1</sup>H-NMR (CDCl<sub>3</sub>):



$[\alpha]_D (25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}) +14.83^\circ$  ( $c = 1, \text{CHCl}_3$ ). Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{34}\text{NO}_2\text{PS}$ : C, 70.12; H, 7.15. Found: C, 70.18; H, 6.98.

Further elution gave **32b** (0.59 g, 22%). IR ( $\text{CHCl}_3$ ) 3310, 2960, 1440, 1370, 1295, 1175, 1105, 955  $\text{cm}^{-1}$

$^1\text{H-NMR}$  ( $\text{CDCl}_3$ ):



$[\alpha]_D (25\text{ }^\circ\text{C}) -32.83^\circ$  ( $c = 1, \text{CHCl}_3$ ). Anal. calcd. for  $\text{C}_{28}\text{H}_{34}\text{NO}_2\text{PS}$ : C, 70.12; H, 7.15. Found: C, 69.98; H, 6.99.