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ABSTRACT

The electrophilic anti-addition of sulfenyl chlorides to carbon-carbon double bonds by a one pot reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride **65** (or its thio **61** and dithio **70** homolog) with various types of olefins is used for the synthesis of a new series of di- and trithio compounds.

We have initiated a study of some of the chemistry of this type of addition hoping to develop a useful pathway to dithietanes like 77 as potentially stable intermediates and/or diatomic sulfur precursors.

The stereochemistry of addition has been determined by x-ray analysis. The x-ray crystal structures of di- and trithio reagents 68, 69, 75 and 76 are reported for the first time. The identity of these reagents was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by elemental analysis.

The preparation of new and unusually stable episulfoxides by the use of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride 65 (or its thio 61 and dithio 70 homolog) has been investigated.

Adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116) and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117) (both shelf-stable) are produced in high isolated yields when sulfenyl chlorides 65, 61 or 70 are treated with the corresponding olefins adamantylideneadamantane (108) and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115), respectively.

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Novel episulfoxides adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179) are produced in 99% isolated yield when episulfides 116 and 117 are subjected to *m*-CPBA oxidation.

The reaction of sulfur monoxide generated by the thermal decomposition of thiirane 1-oxides **178** and **179** has been intensively studied with various 1,3-dienes in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration.

The x-ray crystal structures of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116) and adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) are reported for the first time. The structure of compounds 116, 117, 178, 179, 200, 201, 203 and 233 was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.

PRÉCURSSEURS POUR LA FORMATION DE SOUFRE DIATOMIQUE (¹S₂) ET DE MONOXIDE DE SOUFRE (SO)

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RÉSUMÉ

L'anti-addition électrophilique des chlorures de sulfényl sur des doubles liaisons carbone-carbone a été utilisée pour la synthèse d'une nouvelle classe de composés soufrés comportant deux ou trois soufres en faisant réagir, en une étape, un chlorure de triphénylméthanesulfényl 65 (ou son homologue soufré 61 et di-soufré 70) avec différents types d'oléfines.

Nous avons commencé l'étude de ce type d'addition et nous espérons développer une voie vers la synthèse de dithiétanes, comme par example 77, qui pourraient être des intermédiaires stables et/ou des précursseurs de soufre diatomique.

La stéréochimie de ce type d'addition a été déterminée par analyse cristallographique. La structure cristalline des réactifs di- et tri-soufrés 68, 69, 75 et 76 est rapportée pour la première fois. L'identification de ces réactifs a été confirmée par RMN du proton et du carbone ainsi que par analyse élémentaire.

La préparation de nouveaux épisulfoxides qui d'habitude ne sont pas stables, a été réalisée grâce à l'utilisation de chlorure de triphénylméthanesulfényl 65 (ou de son homologue soufré 61 et di-soufré 70).

L'adamantylidèneadamantane thiirane (116) et le bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidènebicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117) (tous les deux stables) ont été synthétisés et isolés avec des rendements élevés en faisant réagir les chlorures de sulfényl 65, 61 ou 70 avec les oléfines correspondantes c'est à dire respectivement l'adamantylidèneadamantane (108) et le bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidènebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115).

De nouveaux épisulfoxides, l'adamantylidèneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) et le bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidènebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179) ont été synthétisés et isolés avec un rendement de 99% après oxidation des épisulfures 116 et 117 par du *méta*-chlorure d'acide perbenzoïque.

La réaction du monoxide de soufre qui est généré par la décomposition thermique des thiiranes 1-oxide 178 et 179, a été largement étudiée avec différents types de 1,3-diènes dans différents solvants et en changeant la température, le temps de réaction et les concentrations.

Les structures cristallines de l'adamantylidèneadamantane thiirane (116) et de l'adamantylidèneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) ont été rapportées pour la première fois. La structure des composés 116, 117, 178, 179, 200, 201, 203 et 233 a été élucidée par RMN du proton et du carbone, ainsi que par spectrométrie de masse.

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Å	Angstrom
°C	degrees Celsius
٥K	degrees Kelvin
Mp.	melting point
ca.	circa
cm	centimeter
L	liter
mL	milliliter
eq.	equivalent
g	gram
mg	milligram
mol	mole
mmol	millimole
lit.	literature
kcal	kilocalories
MS	mass spectrometry
EI	electron impact
eV	electron Volt
min	minute
S	second
h	hour
Ph	phenyl
ether	diethyl ether
THF	tetrahydrofuran
DMSO	dimethylsulfoxide
DMF	dimethylformamide
EESO	ethylene episulfoxide
EtOAc	ethyl acetate
EtOH	ethanol
EPR	electron paramagnetic resonance
NMR	nuclear magnetic resonance
Ad _E 2	bimolecular electrophilic addition

MHz	megahertz
Hz	hertz
TMS	tetramethylsilane
S	singlet
d	doublet
dd	doublet of doublets
t	triplet
q	quartet
0	ortho
р	para
m	meta
ppm	parts per million
tert	tertiary
i	iso
d	deuterium
R _f	relative mobility
UV	ultraviolet
IR	infrared
TLC	thin layer chromatography
isc	intersystem crossing

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CHAPTER 1

INTRODUCTION

SULFUR EXTRUSION, CONCATENATION OF SULFUR ATOMS AND DIATOMIC SULFUR PRECURSORS

1.1 INTRODUCTION

Sulfur is one of the first elements known to man. It is the thirteenth most abundant element in nature and makes up to 0.052% of the weight of the earth's crust.¹

In nature it is found as combinations like galena, cinnabar, celestite, sphalerite and iron pyrites.² The most important use of sulfur is in the synthesis of sulfuric acid.³ Sulfur and oxygen are neighbors in the periodic table; sulfur lies directly below oxygen. However, the properties of sulfur and its organic derivatives vary from those of oxygen. For example, while dihydrogen oxide $(H_2O)^4$ is one of the most essential substances to life, dihydrogen sulfide (H_2S) is an odorous and poisonous gas.⁵

R. C. Weast (Ed.), "Handbook of Chemistry and Physics", C. R. C. Press, Ohio, 1972, p. 176.

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Sulfur can have three possible oxidation states $(2, 4, 6)^6$ because of its 3p and vacant d-orbitals for $p\pi$ -d π overlap. Several papers in the literature review the bond strengths and angles of sulfur compounds with those of analogs oxygen derivatives.⁷ Due to their wide occurrence in organic compounds, especially in those of biological importance,⁸ interest in synthesizing and improving the methods of synthesis of organosulfur compounds is an active area of research.

Sulfur compounds are widely used in industry, agriculture and medicine. In addition, some reviews⁹ summarize the great utility of organosulfur intermediates in the synthesis of a variety of organic compounds.

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1.2 SULFUR EXTRUSION

Chemically, "sulfur extrusion" means the loss of a sulfur atom from any molecule. Raney Nickel desulfurization,¹⁰ and the Ramburg-Backlund rearrangement¹¹ are very wellknown sulfur extrusion reactions. There are innumerable examples in the literature where one of the products in a chemical reaction is elemental sulfur.¹² The sulfur that is lost is often inappropriately represented as S, [S], S^o or S₁.

However, the mechanism through which sulfur is produced from these reactions is not well understood. Extrusion of elemental sulfur is observed under many conditions: thermally, photochemically as well as base and solvent induced. For example, Stark and Duke¹³ and Loudon¹⁴ examined extrusions in stable aromatic systems. Whereas, Radl¹⁵ reported extrusions which resulted in the formation of five-membered ring heterocycles. On the other hand, Guziec and Sanfilippo¹⁶ studied some examples of the extrusion of sulfur, selenium and tellurium.

A recent review on thermal decomposition of sulfur compounds including thiiranes, was published by Harpp and Williams.¹²

In several cases, sulfur extrusion is proposed to proceed through a cheletropic loss of a singlet sulfur atom to eventually form elemental sulfur (S₈). However, the energy of formation of a singlet sulfur atom is very high (about 66.3 Kcal/mole),¹⁷ which makes this

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pathway of losing sulfur not likely. Instead, a low energy intermediate (S_2) , or longerchain fragments¹⁸ can be proposed.

In many examples of sulfur extrusion, thiiranes, the sulfur analogs of oxiranes, are the proposed intermediates. They can undergo reactions similar to those of oxiranes such as nucleophilic ring opening¹⁹ and olefin formation with phosphorous nucleophiles.²⁰ However, thiiranes can lose sulfur (**Scheme 1**) whereas oxiranes do not lose oxygen. There are many instances where thiiranes decompose directly to olefins and elemental sulfur.²¹

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SCHEME 1

The thermal decomposition of thiirane to an olefin and sulfur has been claimed to happen through simple cheletropic loss of one sulfur atom. However, Lutz and Biellmann²² indicated that the loss of sulfur from the decomposition of 1 took place not by first-order kinetics but through a more complex mechanism, perhaps involving a bridged sulfur species. Such a species 2 (Scheme 2) was later proposed in a mechanistic study by Harpp and Chew.²³



SCHEME 2

An earlier study of sulfur extrusion was the pyrolysis²⁴ of cis- and trans-1,2diethenyl thiiranes (3) and (4) respectively.



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A competition between the sulfur extrusion and the thermal synthesis of thienocyclobutadiene (5) occurred. When performed at 100 °C, pyrolysis of the thiiranes yields only the corresponding desulfurized olefins 6 and 7.



The mechanism of the reaction is more complicated than a simple cheletropic loss of a sulfur atom. Thermal extrusion was thought to proceed through a loss of sulfur $({}^{1}S_{1})$ from dithiins 8 and 9 to form thiophenes²⁵ and from thiepins 10 to form stable aromatic systems.^{13,14}



Mueller²⁶ was unsuccessful in trapping sulfur in the reaction of α -chloro- β -(acetylthio)propionitrile (11) and diethylamine with an alkene. He proposed a thiirane intermediate which lost sulfur spontaneously. Also, Field and coworkers²⁷ were unsuccessful in trapping sulfur in the oxidation of phosphothiolate 12 by a peroxy acid.



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Moreover, photolysis of 5-substituted-1,2,3,4-thiatriazoles 13 in the presence of olefins did not yield the corresponding thiirane. However, under the same conditions, the photolysis of isothiocyanates 14^{28} appears to deliver a sulfur atom as they formed thiiranes.



The photolysis results were not surprising, since sulfur atoms are usually prepared by the photolysis of carbonyl sulfide (COS).²⁹

1.3 CONCATENATION OF SULFUR ATOMS

One of the more attractive mechanisms in sulfur extrusion reactions was first conceived by Foss in 1950.³⁰ The initial step involves the combination of two sulfur species followed by a transfer of a sulfur atom forming a thiosulfoxide-type intermediate 15 which then reacts with another molecule until the sulfur chain 16 is six or eight atom long and could cyclize to S_6 or more likely S_8 .



²⁸ R. Jahn and U. Schmidt, Monatsh. Chem., 109, 161 (1978).

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The thiosulfoxide moiety and the sulfur atom concatenation mechanism are well discussed in the literature.^{23,31} Davis³² proposed a similar mechanism to interpret the formation of elemental sulfur in acidified solutions of thiosulfate. Moreover, Kamata and coworkers³³ isolated a tetrathiane in the reaction of *cis*- and *trans*-2,3-diphenylthiirane with a catalytic amount of tris(*p*-bromophenyl)aminium hexachloroantimonate in methylene chloride. The proposed mechanism of formation involved a thiirane cation radical abstracting a sulfur atom from another thiirane cation radical resulting in a two sulfur species cation radical **17** with a concomitant release of stilbene. A further linkage of two sulfur atoms gave intermediate **18** which cyclized affording the tetrathiane **19** (Scheme **3**).

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SCHEME 3

Huisgen and Rapp³⁴ suggested that in the thermal decomposition of trithiolane 20, a thiobenzophenone-S-sulfide (21) is formed which undergoes abstraction of sulfur atoms leading to the formation of S_8 and thiobenzophenone (Scheme 4).





Gleiter and coworkers³⁵ studied the loss of sulfur atoms of thiepins and concluded that the extrusion of sulfur proceeds *via* rearrangement to a thiirane intermediate 22 followed by the linking of sulfur atoms to give intermediate 23 which would eventually lose elemental sulfur. The extrusion of S₂ or S₈ would be an energetically more favorable pathway than expulsion of other species of sulfur (Scheme 5).

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³⁵ R. Gleiter, G. Krennrich, D. Cremer, K. Yamamoto and I. Murata, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 107, 6874 (1985).



SCHEME 5

Concatenation was also proposed to account for the formation of elemental sulfur in the decomposition of heterocyclic $24,^{36}$ when phosphothiolate 12 was oxidized with a peroxy acid²⁷ and when dipyridol[1,2-a:1',2'-c]imidazolium-11-thiolate 25 was refluxed with hydrobromic acid.³⁷



Of the possible mechanisms considered for the formation of sulfur in many sulfur extrusion reactions reported above, it appears that both the loss of singlet diatomic sulfur and the concatenation of sulfur atoms to ultimately form elemental sulfur are the most reasonable pathways. The most likely mechanism for sulfur extrusion appears to be the concatenation of sulfur atoms to form a chain which would ultimately cyclize to form elemental sulfur.²³ Thus, singlet diatomic sulfur might not be formed as a distinct species in any of these reactions.

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1.4 DIATOMIC SULFUR PRECURSORS

Diatomic sulfur, S_2 , is isovalent with O_2 and has a similar basic electronic structure. Singlet oxygen chemistry is well developed and has been extensively studied.³⁸ The rapid development in singlet oxygen chemistry has initiated considerable interest in its analogs sulfur species, 1S_2 . Singlet oxygen is known to play an important role in many biological processes. So far, singlet diatomic sulfur, 1S_2 , has been found to be a synthetic tool for organic chemists. Its importance in organic synthetic chemistry and drug synthesis has been reviewed by Steliou.³⁹ Due to the importance of the S_2 unit in many natural products such as the gliotoxin **26**,⁴⁰ methods for the generation of singlet diatomic sulfur have gained prominence.



In 1928, Staudinger and Freudenberger⁴¹ proposed a six-membered ring 27 as an intermediate in the photolytic decomposition of thioketones to give the corresponding ketones and elemental sulfur. This ring could undergo a cyclic reversion to form two molecules of ketone and S₂. A similar mechanism involving a six-membered ring intermediate 28 could be involved in a study by Thompson⁴² involving the decomposition

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⁴⁰ A. Taylor, "Microbial Toxins VII", S. Kadis, A. Ciegler and J. S. Ajl (Eds.), Academic, New York, 1971, p. 337-376.

of dialkoxy disulfides 29 to the corresponding aldehyde, alcohol and elemental sulfur (Scheme 6).



SCHEME 6

A variety of methods for the formation of ${}^{1}S_{2}$ were discussed in 1991 by Steliou.⁴³ Several unsuccessful approaches have been tried when no trapped products were identified.⁴⁴ Jahn and Schmidt⁴⁵ reported the first successful trapping of S₂ in 1975. Evidence of the production of S₂ has been obtained through trapping experiments with 1,3dienes in the absence of which, S₂ concatenates to elemental sulfur, S₈. The isolation of the addition adduct **30** of 1,2-dimethylenecyclohexane (**31**) suggested the formation of S₂ as an intermediate in the sulfur loss mechanism, however, the isolated yield of **30** was only 2%. The other isolated products were thiophenes **32** and **33**.



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Reactions of activated elemental sulfur with dienes have also been studied.⁴⁶ These reactions resulted in the formation of several sulfurated products. The isolation of other sulfuration products in sulfur extrusion reactions indicated that the sulfur may not be lost as S_2 only, but also in other forms of activated sulfur, the structures of which are unknown.

The first synthetically useful S_2 precursors were reported by Steliou⁴⁷ in 1984. S_2 was delivered and captured as a Diels-Alder adduct when an organometallic trisulfide **34** reacted with triphenylphosphine dibromide (**35**). Two intermediates were proposed in the reaction. A triphenylphosphine thioozonide intermediate **36** (such a structure would be similar to the oxygen analog found in the reaction of PPh₃ with O₃),⁴⁸ as well as the sixmembered species depicted in **37** (Scheme 7).



SCHEME 7

Two diatomic sulfur precursors were reported almost simultaneously in 1987. Schmidt and Görl⁴⁹ reported that a tetrachalcogen **38** undergoes thermal decomposition

49 M. Schmidt and U. Görl, Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Engl., 26, 887 (1987).

a) J. A. Elvidge, S. P. Jones and T. L. Peppard, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans 1, 1089 (1982);
 b) Steudel, Top. Curr. Chem., 102, 149 (1982).

⁴⁷ K. Steliou, Y. Gareau and D. N. Harpp, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 106, 799 (1984).

⁴⁸ P. D. Partlett and M. Lonzetta, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 105, 1984 (1983).

with ring contraction transferring S_2 which was trapped by 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (Scheme 8).





A useful synthetic method to prepare S_2 was reported by Steliou and coworkers.⁵⁰ This method was based on a novel head-to-head dimerization of 2,2'-bis(thiobenzoyl)biphenyl (**39**) generated from 2,2'-bis(benzoyl)biphenyl in the presence of B_2S_3 . A dithietane intermediate which was postulated could spontaneously release S_2 and 9,10diphenylphenanthrene (Scheme 9).



SCHEME 9

⁵⁰ K. Steliou, P. Salama, D. Brodeur and Y. Gareau, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 109, 926 (1987).

Diatomic sulfur $({}^{1}S_{2})$ was trapped when the reaction is carried out in the presence of dienes. The cyclic disulfides were isolated in good yield.

Harpp and McDonald⁵¹ successfully generated S_2 in 1988. Their method is based on the reaction of an organometallic pentasulfides **40** with triphenylphosphine dibromide (**35**) which gives S_2 that is trapped by 1,3-butadienes. The intermediate in the formation of S_2 could again be the thioozonide **36** (Scheme 10).

 $Cp \xrightarrow{S} S \xrightarrow{S} + Ph_3PBr_2 \longrightarrow Cp_2MBr_2 + Ph_3P=S + 2S_2$ $Cp \xrightarrow{40} 35$ $M = Ti, Zr, Hf; Cp = \eta^5 - C_5H_5$

SCHEME 10

The generation of S_2 provides a logical one-step synthetic procedure for the preparation of cyclic disulfide *via* Diels-Alder addition to 1,3-dienes. For example, myrcene disulfide (42) was successfully synthesized from myrcene (41),^{46a} by Steliou,⁵⁰ as well as by Schmidt and Görl.⁴⁹



Some substituted 3,6-dihydro-1,2-dithiin derivatives 43 prepared by the S_2 methodology,⁵⁰ proved to posses anti-HIV activity.³⁹

⁵¹ D. N. Harpp and J. G. McDonald, J. Org. Chem., 53, 3812 (1988).



$R = CH_2CO_2H, CH_2CH_2OH, CH_2CH_2OAc$

Diatomic methodology may be used in the synthesis of bridged disulfides where the most difficult step in this synthesis was the formation of the S-S bond like gliotoxin 26.5^{52} However, attempts to prepare ergosterol endodisulfide (44) from ergosterol (45) using the S₂ methodology were unsuccessful.⁵³



Interestingly, in 1985, Cava and coworkers^{44a} reported S_2 to be a byproduct of the decomposition of 1,2-dithetane 46, formed from a Diels-Alder addition of acenaphthenedithione 47 with its 1,2-dithiete tautomer 48 (Scheme 11) but no supporting trapping evidence for its formation was presented.

⁵² a) Y. Kishi, T. Fukayama and S. Nakatsuka, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 95, 6490 (1973); b) Y. Kishi, T. Fukayama and S. Nakatsuka, J. Am. Chem., Soc., 95, 6492 (1973).

⁵³ Y. S. Tsantrizos, P. L. Folkins, J. F. Britten, D. N. Harpp and K. K. Ogilvie, Can. J. Chem., 70, 158 (1992).



SCHEME 11

Another pathway toward the production of S_2 has been reported by Ando and coworkers⁵⁴ where the thermal decomposition of anthracene endodisulfide **49** produces diatomic sulfur and anthracene (50) (Scheme 12)



SCHEME 12

However, it was not clear whether the Diels-Alder adducts were isolated or detected; the yields were based on the amount of recovered product. Bartlett and Ghosh^{44c} attempted to trap S_2 in the conversion of pentathiepins 51 to trithiolanes 52 but were unsuccessful.

⁵⁴ W. Ando, H. Sonobe and T. Akasaka, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 28, 6653 (1987).



Nicolaou and coworkers⁵⁵ synthesized and isolated the first stable 1,2-dithietane, dithiatopazine **53**, an intermediate used in the total synthesis of brevotoxin B. When **53** was heated at 100 °C, it smoothly extruded diatomic sulfur which was trapped with 2,3diphenyl-1,3-butadiene to give the cyclic disulfide in 25% isolated yield and the corresponding olefin **54**.⁵⁶ The formation of S₂ may not be the sole mechanistic pathway as the tetrasulfide was also isolated, 28%. These reactions were conducted in a tenfold excess of **53**.



In addition, Rapoport and coworkers⁵⁷ observed the presence of S_2 in the conversion of the monothiomaleimide 55 to the oxygen analog, maleimide 56. The proposed six-membered transition state 57 was similar to the one which was proposed by Staudinger and Freudenberger in the air oxidation of thioketones in 1928.⁴¹

⁵⁵ K. C. Nicolaou, C.-K. Hwang, M. E. Duggan and P. J. Carroll, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 109, 3801 (1987).

⁵⁶ K. C. Nicolaou, C.-K. Hwang, S. DeFrees and N. A. Stylianides, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 110, 4868 (1988).

⁵⁷ J. E. Bishop, S. A. Dagam and H. Rapoport, J. Org. Chem., 54, 1876 (1989).



Trapped diatomic sulfur was confirmed by ¹H NMR but the yields were too low to be isolated. Diatomic sulfur, was also identified as one of the decomposition products of the thermal decomposition of 1,2,3,4-thiatriazoles **58** by infrared⁵⁸ and photoelectron spectroscopy⁵⁹ (Scheme 13).



SCHEME 13

In fact the S_2 was proposed to result from the dimerization of two dinitrogen sulfide (N₂S) molecules, which were initially present in the thermal decomposition to give two molecules of nitrogen and one of S_2 (Scheme 14 and 15).



SCHEME 14

⁵⁸ C. Wentrup, S. Fischer, A. Maquestiau and R. Flammang, J. Org. Chem., 51, 1908 (1986).

⁵⁹ H. Bender, F. Carnovale, J. B. Peel and C. Wentrup, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 110, 3458 (1988).



SCHEME 15

Moreover, Constabel and Towers⁶⁰ claimed that the singlet sulfur is the toxic product of thiarubin A (59), a 1,2-dithiin, but there was no evidence for this claim. Their results showed that light enhanced conversion of 59 to the thiophene 60 caused toxic effects that were greater than those resulting from 59 or 60 alone. Their claim was based on the analogy that singlet oxygen is the toxic species generated from peroxides.⁶¹



$$H_3C-C\equiv C-C\equiv C-C\equiv C-C\equiv CH_2$$
 60

In 1991, Harpp and Williams⁶² attempted to generate S₂. Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (**61**) reacts with 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (**62**) to give a product consistent with the trapping of diatomic sulfur 1,2-dithia-4,5-dimethyl-4-cyclohexene (**63**) as well as the cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (**64**) (Scheme 16).

⁶⁰ C. R. Constabel and G. H. N. Towers, *Planta Medica*, 55, 35 (1989).

<sup>a) C. S. Foote, Acc. Chem. Res., 1, 104 (1968); b) T. Matsuura, Tetrahedron,
33, 2869 (1977); c) A. Naqui, B. Chance and E. Cadenas, Ann. Rev. Biochem.,
55, 137 (1986).</sup>

⁶² C. R. Williams and D. N. Harpp, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, **32**, 7651 (1991).



SCHEME 16

The identity of compound 64 was confirmed by ¹H NMR and mass spectral data. The isolated yields of 63 and 64 were 30% and 35%, respectively. The mechanistic pathway however was demonstrated to be an addition-elimination reaction and S_2 was not involved. Most recently, work by Tardif, Williams and Harpp has shown effective diatomic trapping by the demonstration of alkoxydisulfide 29.⁶³

From the many examples described above it appears that two sulfur atoms must be adjacent to each other in a molecule in order for it to be considered a viable diatomic sulfur precursor. In many synthetically useful generations, the proposed intermediate for the generation of S_2 was a four-membered ring species. These intermediates could provide direct S_2 formation or the transfer of two sulfur atoms to a 1,3-diene. The presence of two adjacent sulfur atoms make many molecules potential singlet diatomic sulfur precursors, these include disulfides and polysulfides (*vide infra* Results and Discussion Section, Chapter 3).

In a recent paper, we reported⁶⁴ the reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl (**65**) and thiosulfenyl chloride (**61**) with norbornene (**66**) and bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (**67**).



⁶³ S. Tardif, C. R. Williams and D. N. Harpp, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 117, 9067 (1995).

⁶⁴ I. A. Abu-Yousef, R. C. Hynes and D. N. Harpp, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, **34**, 4289 (1993).

Stable 1,2-addition products 68 and 69 were formed and while diatomic sulfur transfers took place from them to a diene acceptor, the yield of final products was quite low.



Most recently, we⁶⁵ reported a new methodology for the generation of diatomic sulfur (S₂) transfer. Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (and its dithio homolog 70) give stable addition products (*ca.* 90% yield) with cyclopentene (71) and cyclohexene (72).



We found, in contrast, these addition products (73, 74 from 61; 75, 76 from 70) are effective in transferring sulfur to a diene trap.



When these adducts 73 to 76 were each warmed with 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62), in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, they deliver diatomic sulfur-trapped derivatives. The cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 is quantitatively converted to the corresponding disulfide 63 with triphenylphosphine.

65 I. A. Abu-Yousef and D. N. Harpp, Tetrahedron Lett., 35, 7167 (1994).



As a result, this new methodology affords easily cyclic disulfides in > 50% isolated yield from the diene. In addition, evidence has been obtained implicating dithietane intermediate 77. Moreover, byproducts, acyclic tetrasulfides 78 and 79, are likely formed by an intermolecular pathway from 73, 75 and 74, 76 respectively.



CHAPTER 2

SOME NEW SULFENYL CHLORIDE CHEMISTRY

BACKGROUND, SYNTHESIS, REACTIONS AND MECHANISMS

TOWARD CARBON-CARBON DOUBLE BONDS

2.1 BACKGROUND

Sulfenyl chlorides (**RSCI**) were first discovered by Rathke⁶⁶ in 1870 through chlorination of carbon disulfide (**CS**₂). They can be formally considered as the acid chloride derivatives of the unstable sulfenic acid (**RSOH**). Their usefulness in industry was discovered when Kittleson⁶⁷ in 1952 derived "Captan" (a potent fungicide) **80**, which utilizes a sulfenyl halide in the preparation.



A wide variety of sulfenyl halides (RSX) can be obtained by varying the R and X, each with different physical and chemical properties. They can also undergo a host of reactions like addition, displacements, oxidations and reductions. Because of this fact,

a) B. Rathke, Chem. Ber., 3, 858 (1870); b) B. Rathke, Justus Liebigs Ann.
 Chem., 167, 211 (1874).

<sup>a) A. R. Kittleson, Science, 15, 84 (1952); b) A. R. Kittleson, Analyt. Chem.,
24, 1173 (1952).</sup>

sulfenyl halides have found wide applications in chemistry. Among some of their uses are the following: 2,4-dinitrobenzenesulfenyl chloride is used as an analytical reagent for characterizing many compounds by solid derivative formation,⁶⁸ in the synthesis of peptides, nucleosides and nucleotides,⁶⁹ sulfenyl halides are used as blocking groups; they are selective chlorinating agents in hydrocarbon chemistry preferentially replacing tertiary hydrocarbon atoms.⁷⁰ In addition, the nature of sulfenyl intermediates plays an important role in the chemistry of wool, sulfur containing fibers of all sorts, and in the preparation of various heterocyclic compounds.⁷⁰

Sulfenyl halides have proven their value as alkyl or aryl sulfur transfer reagents as is revealed in a large number of publications and reviews in the literature.^{68,71}

Other compounds of interest, triphenylmethanesulfenyl chlorides (65),⁷² play a significant role in protective group chemistry, as well as newer varieties such as triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl $(61)^{73}$ and dithiosulfenyl chloride (70).⁷⁴

- a) N. Kharasch, J. Chem. Ed., 33, 585 (1956); b) R. B. Langford and D. D.
 Lawson, *ibid.*, 510 (1957).
- a) L. Zervas, D. Borovas and E. Gazis, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 85, 3660 (1963); b)
 P. H. Bentley, H. Gregory, A. H. Laird and J. S. Morley, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 6130 (1964).
- 70 N. Kharasch, Quart. Rep. Sulfur Chem., 2, 289 (1967).
- a) E. Kühle, Synthesis, 561 (1970); b) N. Kharasch, Z. S. Arivan and A. J. Havlik, Quart. Rep. Sulfur Chem., 1, 93 (1966); c) N. Kharasch, "Organic Sulfur Compounds", Pergamon Press, New York, Vol. 1, 1961, p. 250-260; d)
 G. Sosnovsky, Chem. Rev., 58, 509 (1958); e) N. Kharasch, S. J. Potempa and H. L. Wehrmeister, Chem. Rev., 39, 269 (1946).
- 72 D. Voländer and E. Mittag, Chem. Ber., 46, 3450 (1913).
- 73 D. N. Harpp and D. K. Ash, Int. J. Sulfur Chem., A, 1, 211 (1971).
- 74 C. R. Williams, J. F. Britten and D. N. Harpp, J. Org. Chem., 59, 806 (1994).



For example, protected penicillins and cephalosporins have been prepared with compound $65.^{75}$ In addition, N-sulfenated β -lactams(thiamazins) have been prepared as potential antibiotics with 65 as one of the starting materials.⁷⁶ o-Sulfenylated carbohydrate derivatives can be prepared with $65.^{77}$ Compound 65 has been used to decrease the flammability of polypropylene,⁷⁸ and uracil derivatives have been N-protected with $65.^{79}$ in which deprotection is possible with aqueous iodine.⁸⁰

The importance of some of these uses and the synthetic value of the above reactions provide stimulus to further research in this field.

F. Gapp, K. Riedl and F. Knauseder, Ger. Offen., DE 2,344,274 (1974); Chem.
 Abstr., 80, 133454 (1974).

⁷⁶ S. R. Woulfe and M. J. Miller, J. Org. Chem., 51, 3133 (1986).

H. Bazin, J. Heikkilä and J. Chattopadhyaya, Acta Chem. Scand., B39, 391 (1985).

⁷⁸ E. V. Gnedin and S. N. Novikov, *Plast. Massy*, 79 (1989); *Chem. Abstr.*, 111, 135330 (1989).

⁷⁹ H. Alper and C. Blais, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 169 (1980).

a) M. Sekine, J. Org. Chem., 54, 2321 (1989); b) H. Takaku, K. Imai and M.
 Nagai, Chem. Lett., 857 (1988).

2.2 SYNTHESIS

Sulfenyl halides are generally produced by treatment of alkyl or aryl disulfides 81 with halogen (Scheme 17),⁸¹ or with sulfuryl chloride.⁸²

RS-SR + X_2 \longrightarrow 2 RS-X 81 R = alky, aryl; X = Cl, Br

SCHEME 17

The reversibility of this reaction makes it practical only for chlorine or bromine.⁸¹ Isolation of sulfenyl fluorides like **82**,⁸³ or sulfenyl iodides like **83**,⁸⁴ or **84**,⁸⁵ is known for only a limited number of these types of compounds.⁸⁵



One of the disadvantages associated with this approach is that chlorination of the disulfide may lead to carbon-sulfur scission, forming an alkyl chloride and sulfur monochloride instead of the desired sulfenyl chloride.⁸⁶ Alternatively, the mercaptan may be treated in a similar fashion to first generate the disulfide which then reacts to form the sulfenyl chloride, however, the yields are much lower with this process (Scheme 18).⁸⁷

⁸¹ K. Fries, Chem. Ber., 45, 2965 (1912).

H. Brintzinger, K. Pfannstiel, H. Koddebusch and K. E. Kling, *Chem. Ber.*, 83, 87 (1950).

⁸³ R. M. Rosenberg and E. L. Muetterties, Inorg. Chem., 1, 756 (1962).

⁸⁴ W. E. Messer, U. S. Patent 2,257,974, (1939); Chem. Abstr., 36, 930 (1942).

⁸⁵ L. Field and J. E. White, Proc. Nat. Acad. Sci., 70, 328 (1973).

^{a) I. B. Douglass, K. R. Brower and F. T. Martin, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 74, 5770 (1952); b) W. A. Schultze, G. H. Short and W. W. Crouch, Ind. Eng. Chem., 42, 916 (1950).}

⁸⁷ H. Lecher and F. Holschneider, Chem. Ber., 57, 755 (1924).



A better approach involves treating the thiol with N-chloro, or N-bromosuccinimide (Scheme 19).⁸⁸





Triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65),⁷² has been known since 1913 and has been widely employed as a protecting group in amine chemistry.⁸⁹ Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl (61)⁷³ and dithiosulfenyl chloride (70) have been recently researched.⁷⁴ Compound 65 was obtained by the direct chlorination of triphenylmethanethiol (85) following the procedure of Voländer and Mittag (Scheme 20).⁷²

89 B. P. Branchaud, J. Org. Chem., 48, 3538 (1983).

⁸⁸ H. Emde, German Patent, 804,572, (1951); Chem. Abstr., 46, 529 (1952).



SCHEME 20

In addition, Bowman and Richardson⁹⁰ reported that compound **65** could be prepared from the treatment of 2-chloro-2-nitropropane with triphenylmethanethiolate anion.

Thiosulfenyl chlorides (also known as chlorodisulfanes or chlorodisulfides) are less well known due to lower stability. Moltzen and Senning⁹¹ reported the preparation of a number of these compounds but there is little structural information available. Harpp and Ash⁷³ in 1970 reported the first synthesis for triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (**61**) from the reaction of thiol **85** with sulfur dichloride (**Scheme 21**).



SCHEME 21

Compound 61 has received very little attention. It was first used to prepare unsymmetrical trisulfides and later used to prepare di- and trisulfides in the synthesis of fungal metabolites.⁹²

⁹⁰ W. R. Bowman and G. D. Richardson, Tetrahedron Lett., 22, 1551 (1981).

⁹¹ E. K. Moltzen and A. Senning, Sulfur Lett., 4, 169 (1986).

⁹² R. M. Williams and W. H. Rastetter, J. Org. Chem., 45, 2625 (1980).

The higher sulfides are prepared *in situ* only and used to synthesize hydrotetrasulfides (**RSSSSH**). No efforts have been made to isolate them.⁹³

Most recently, Harpp and coworkers⁷⁴ reported the first synthesis of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl (70) and trithiosulfenyl chloride (86) from the condensation of disulfur dichloride with thiol 85 and dithiol 87,⁹⁴ respectively (Scheme 22 and 23).



SCHEME 22





In addition, the same authors⁷⁴ have reported the x-ray structures of compounds 61, 65 and 70 for the first time.

93 H. J. Langer and J. B. Hyne, Can. J. Chem., 51, 3403 (1973).

94 G. Derbesy, D. N. Harpp, B. Rather and G. Carroll, *Sulfur Lett.*, 14(4), 199 (1992).

2.3 ELECTROPHILIC ADDITION TO CARBON-CARBON DOUBLE BONDS

Electrophilic addition to the carbon-carbon double bond is a fundamental reaction in organic chemistry and has been extensively reviewed.⁹⁵ Among these reactions is the electrophilic addition of aryl- and alkylsulfenyl halides (**RSX**) to olefins **88** that produces *trans*- β -haloaryl(alkyl)sulfides **89** (or known as β -halo thioethers); it is a very well-established process (**Scheme 24**).^{71a,96}



SCHEME 24

The reaction proceeds through an episulfonium salt intermediate 90⁹⁷ which yields products usually resulting from predominant or exclusive attack of the halide ion at the more positively polarized carbon atom as shown in Scheme 24 above.^{96,98}

The carbon residue \mathbf{R} is usually an alkyl or aryl group and \mathbf{X} is mostly chlorine, sometimes bromine, but rarely fluorine or iodine. The ability of sulfenyl halides to undergo addition reactions with unsaturated compounds is a well-known and a widely used

a) P. B. D. de La Mare and R. Bolton, "Electrophilic Additions to Unsaturated Systems)", Elsevier, Amsterdam, 1966; b) R. S. Fahey, "The Stereochemistry of Electrophilic Additions to Olefins and Acetylenes", Vol. 3, 1968, p. 237.

<sup>a) K. D. Gundermann, Angew. Chem., Int. Ed., Engl. 2, 674 (1963); b) W. H.
Mueller,</sup> *ibid.*, 8, 842 (1969); c) E. Kühle, *ibid.*, 563 (1971); d) E. Kühle, *ibid.*, 617 (1971).

a) D. J. Pettitt and G. K. Helmkamp, J. Org. Chem., 29, 2702 (1964); b) W. A.
 Smit, M. Z. Krimer and E. A. Vorobeva, Tetrahedron Lett., 2451 (1975).

<sup>a) W. A. Thaler, W. H. Mueller and P. E. Butler, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 90, 2069 (1968); b) W. H. Mueller and P. E. Butler, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 90, 2075 (1968);
c) W. A. Thaler, J. Org. Chem., 34, 871 (1969); d) W. H. Mueller and P. E. Butler, Chem. Commun., 646 (1968); b) W. H. Mueller and P. E. Butler, J. Org. Chem., 34, 2642 (1968).</sup>

method for the functionalization of alkenes.⁹⁹ The most commonly used are arenesulfenyl chlorides and methanesulfenyl chlorides.^{99,100} The addition of arenesulfenyl chlorides to alkenes have been extensively studied by a number of workers.¹⁰¹

For example, Schmid¹⁰² reported the reaction of 2,4-dinitrobenzenesulfenyl chloride with cis,cis-1,5-cyclooctadiene (91) in chloroform solution to give the monosulfide adduct 92 in a good yield (Scheme 25).



SCHEME 25

- 99 G. H. Schmid and D. G. Garratt, "The Chemistry of the Double Bonded Functional Groups", S. Patai (Ed.), John Wiley and Sons, New York, 1977, Chapter 9.
- 100 a) G. H. Schmid, "Topics in Sulfur Chemistry", A. Senning (Ed.), Georg Thieme Verlag, Stuttgart, Vol. 3, 1977, p. 100; b) E. Kühle, "The Chemistry of Sulfenic Acids", Georg Thieme Verlag, Stuttgart, 1973, p. 2.
- a) G. M. Beverly and D. R. Hogg, *Chem. Commun.*, 138 (1966); b) W. L. Orr and N. Kharasch, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **78**, 1201 (1956); c) W. H. Mueller and P. E. Butler, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, **80**, 2075 (1968); d) G. H. Schmid V. M. Csizmadia, V. J. Nowlan and D. G. Garratt, *Can. J. Chem.*, **50**, 245 (1972).
- 102 G. H. Schmid, Can. J. Chem., 46, 3757 (1968).

The structural determination of 92 was based on analytical and NMR data. The formation of 92 indicates that the transition state leading to it was similar to an episulfonium ion intermediate 93 rather than a carbonium ion intermediate 94 which would lead to a bicyclic product 95 as shown in Scheme 25 above.¹⁰³

Bond¹⁰⁴ reported that, the addition of 2,4-dinitrobenzenesulfenyl chloride to bicyclo[2.2.1]hex-2-ene (96) gave the monosulfide adduct 97. The structure of the reaction product was established by ¹H NMR.



The reaction of trichloromethanesulfenyl chloride with norbornene was studied by Madsen and coworkers¹⁰⁵ to give the *trans*-adduct **98** in good yield. It is considered to be formed by a polar electrophilic addition involving an episulfonium ion intermediate. Martin and Koster¹⁰⁶ studied the reaction of *p*-toluenesulfenyl chloride with benzonorbornadiene (**99**); *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-thiocresylbenzonorbornene (**100**) was formed in low yield and identified by NMR spectroscopy.



- 105 J. O. Madsen and S. O. Lawesson, Ark. Kemi., 28, 389 (1967).
- 106 M. M. Martin and R. A. Koster, J. Org. Chem., 33, 3428 (1968).

¹⁰³ T. L. Jacobs, R. Macomber and D. Zunker, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 89, 7001 (1967).

¹⁰⁴ F. T. Bond, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 90, 5326 (1968).

2,4-Dinitrobenzenesulfenyl chloride was reported to react with 7-oxabicyclo-[2.2.1]heptadiene derivatives in methylene chloride solution. Only normal addition products were formed (Scheme 26).¹⁰⁷



SCHEME 26

The absence of rearranged products was shown in **Scheme 26** above, by reaction with diazomethane to give pyrazoline derivatives. Similar results were obtained with 7-oxabicyclo[2.2.1]heptene derivatives.

Fujisawa and Kobori¹⁰⁸ studied the reaction of arenethiosulfenyl chloride with norbornene to give quantitatively a crude disulfide adduct **101**. They found that when the crude adduct **101** was slowly added to sodium amide or sulfide at the temperature of 90-95 °C under reduced pressure, an oily product was collected in good yield in a cold trap and identified as *exo*-2,3-epithionorbornane (**102**) (Scheme 27).



 $Ar = o-NO_2C_6H_4, p-CH_3C_6H_4$

SCHEME 27

- 107 N. S. Zefirov, A. F. Daydova, V. F. Bystrov, A. V. Stepanyants and Yu. K. Yur'ev, *Zhur. Obshchei. Khim.*, **36**, 1738 (1966).
- 108 T. Fujisawa and T. Kobori, Chem. Lett., 1065 (1972).

It is noteworthy to mention that the same authors also obtained 102 in 20% yield by the treatment of monosulfide adduct 103, prepared from norbornene and *o*nitrobenzenesulfenyl chloride, with sodium amide (Scheme 28).



SCHEME 28

In addition, the same authors¹⁰⁹ reported a new series of sulfur transfer reagents to olefins, arenethiosulfenyl chlorides, which lead to the disulfide adducts and could be easily treated with sodium amide or sulfide to get the corresponding episulfide in better yields. The imidosulfenyl chlorides **104** or **105** have been found to react rapidly with norbornene (and other alkenes) to give the corresponding adduct **106** or **107**, respectively.¹¹⁰



109 T. Fujisawa and T. Kobori, Chem. Lett., 935 (1972).

110 M. U. Bombala and S. V. Ley, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1, 3013 (1979).

On the other hand, Bolster and Kellogg¹¹¹ studied the reaction of adamantylideneadamantane (108) with methanesulfenyl chloride in the presence of silver perchlorate (AgClO₄). They found that, thiiranium salt 109 was formed and no evidence for 1,2addition products of the sulfenyl chlorides to 108 was obtained (Scheme 29).



SCHEME 29

The reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) with norbornene has been investigated¹¹² previously. In this reaction a number of products were reported but details were lacking and neither their stereochemistry nor the mechanism of the reaction were demonstrated.

Haufe and coworkers¹¹³ reported that, the reaction of dimethyl(methylthio)sulfonium tetrafluoroborate (DMTSF) and triethylaminetrishydrofluoride with olefins leads to β -fluoroalkylmethyl thioether in high yields. The main disadvantage of this method is the relatively difficult preparation of DMTSF, which requires the use of trimethyloxonium tetrafluoroborate, which is rather unstable and expensive.

Purrington and Correa¹¹⁴ proposed another way to obtain β -fluoroalkylphenyl thioethers by the action of phenylsulfenyl chloride on an olefin in the presence of silver fluoride in acetonitrile solution.

¹¹¹ J. Bolster and R. M. Kellogg, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 630 (1978).

¹¹² J. M. Majewski and J. Zakrzewski, Tetrahedron Lett., 22, 3659 (1981).

^{G. Haufe, G. Alvernhe, D. Anker, A. Laurent and C. Saluzzo,} *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 29, 2311 (1988).

¹¹⁴ S. T. Purrington and I. D. Correa, J. Org. Chem., 51, 1080 (1986).

In a recent paper, Haufe and coworkers¹¹⁵ reported a new method leading to a β -fluoroalkylphenyl (or methyl) thioether, using halogen exchange between a β -chloroalkylphenyl (or methyl) thioether and a fluoride ion (Scheme 30).



SCHEME 30

As a result, the $Ad_E 2$ (Addition, Electrophilic, bimolecular) reaction of sulfenyl halides appears to be one of the most efficient way to transfer alkenes into synthetically useful products and it has been extensively studied and reviewed by a number of workers.^{71a,95a,96c,99,116}

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2.4 MECHANISM OF ELECTROPHILIC ADDITION TO CARBON-CARBON DOUBLE BONDS

In investigating the mechanism of addition to a carbon-carbon double bond, the intermediate and the transition states leading to them, may be divided into two distinct types. On the one hand, there are those reactions that proceed through bridged transition states and intermediates 110 (Scheme 31).



SCHEME 31

On the other hand, there are those that involve rate determining attack at carbon to form open carbonium ions 111 (Scheme 32).^{99,117}





The best example of the first class of reactions is addition of sulfenyl halide^{116f,118} to olefins as shown in **Scheme 31** above. Protonation of alkenes in an acid-catalyzed

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hydration is a reaction which clearly fits in the second category¹¹⁹ as shown in **Scheme 32** above.

The mechanism of sulfenyl halide addition is securely based on rate-structure correlations, product stereochemistry, and direct observation of the bridged intermediates.¹¹⁸ In terms of the mechanism of the hydration reaction, it is supported by the correlation of rates with structure, solvent isotope effects, acidity dependence, and other kinetic criteria.¹¹⁹

An open carbonium ion such as 111¹²⁰ which can give a mixture of *cis*- and *trans*addition products either by rotating around the carbon-carbon bond or by electronic, steric or conformational effects which in turn cause attack at one or the other side of the carbonium ion giving non-stereospecific addition products.

On the other hand, a bridged species such as 110^{121} can open stereospecifically to *trans*-addition products. In addition, such an ion if formed from an unsymmetrical olefin, would be expected to give isomeric products resulting from attack at both carbon atoms of the intermediate. Thus, while the products are stereospesific they are not regiospecific. Both of these mechanisms are designated $Ad_E 2$ (*vide infra* Results and Discussion Section, Chapter 3).

Recently, we reported⁶⁴ that the addition of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) to various bicyclic alkenes (norbornene (66) and bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (67)) leads, contrary to expectation, to β -chlorodisulfides 68 and 69 respectively, in good isolated yields, rather than to β -chlorosulfides (Scheme 33).

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SCHEME 33

It is important to mention that the formation of thiirane was proved as the first step in this reaction and the stereochemistry of addition has been determined by x-ray analysis.

In addition, we⁶⁴ also found that the reaction of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) with the same bicyclic alkenes 66 and 67, furnished the same products (β -chlorodisulfides) 68 and 69, respectively, in good isolated yields (Scheme 34).



SCHEME 34

The structures of **68** and **69** were established by 1 H and 13 C NMR as well as by elemental analysis. In addition, the x-ray structures of **68** and **69** were reported for the first time.⁶⁴

In a recent paper, we reported⁶⁵ a new reaction of sulfenyl chlorides with various cyclic alkenes. Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (and its dithio homolog 70) has been found to react with cyclopentene (71) and cyclohexene (72) to give stable addition products (73, 74 from 61; 75, 76 from 70), in high isolated yields (*ca.* 90%) (Scheme 35).



SCHEME 35

The structural determination of compounds 73, 74, 75 and 76 was based on 1 H and 13 C NMR as well as by elemental analysis. In addition, the x-ray structures of 75 and 76 were reported for the first time.⁶⁵

CHAPTER 3

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

3.1 SYNTHESIS OF DI- AND TRITHIO ADDUCTS

The chemistry of sulfenyl halides has been extensively studied.^{71a,96-101} The reaction of sulfenyl halides with olefins has been interpreted mechanistically in terms of the formation of an episulfonium ion intermediate⁹⁷ that is intercepted by a halide ion to form a β -halo thioether (Scheme 24). The chemistry of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) and its thio 61 and dithio 70 homolog are much less examined.⁷³

The reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) with norbornene (66) has been investigated previously.¹¹² Indeed, other similar types of sulfenyl halides have been shown to add to carbon-carbon double bonds; this has resulted in preparative methods for episulfides.¹⁰⁸⁻¹¹⁰

In the case of the reaction of sulfenyl chloride 65 with norbornene (66), a number of products were reported¹¹² but details were lacking and neither their stereochemistry nor the mechanism of the reaction were demonstrated.

Recently, Harpp and Williams¹²² investigated an interesting reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) where its sulfur atom is extruded quantitatively and catalytically by a reaction with thioketones. In another investigation,⁶² the reaction of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) with 1,3-dienes affords a 1,4-addition product which subsequently produces cyclic di- and tetrasulfides in good, overall yield. The net effect of the latter transformation is to deliver a 2- and 4-sulfur fragment to the diene.

We have initiated a study of some of the chemistry of this type of addition for the preparation of a new series of di- and trisulfides hoping that these reagents can be used to

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develop a useful pathway to dithietanes 77 as potentially stable intermediates and/or diatomic sulfur precursors.

3.1.1 FORMATION OF DITHIO ADDUCTS FROM TRIPHENYLMETHANE-SULFENYL CHLORIDE (65)

A solution of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) in methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) was added dropwise at room temperature to a stirred solution of olefin bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66) or bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (67) in CH_2Cl_2 . The reaction was stirred for a certain time under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography on silica gel afforded an oily product which solidified upon washing with 35-60 °C petroleum ether. Recrystallization from the appropriate solvent gave a pure product of the corresponding dithio adducts in good isolated yields (Table 1).

Table 1:Dithio Adducts From Triphenylmethanesulfenyl Chloride(65): Melting Points, Reaction Times and % Isolated Yields

Entry	Dithio Adduct	Time (h)	%Yield	Mp. (°C)
68	SSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	20	63	114-115
69	SSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	22	60	118-119

The identity of these adducts **68** and **69** was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR, elemental analysis as well as by x-ray analysis.

The x-ray crystallographic structure of 68 was reported⁶⁴ for the first time. The ORTEP¹²³ drawing of dithio 68 is shown in Figure 1. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 2.



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Figure 1: ORTEP Representation of endo-2-Chloro-exo-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68)

Bond Lengths (Å)				
S(1)-S(2)	2.026(3)			
S(1)-C(2)	1.842(7)			
S(2)-C(8)	1.891(7)			
Cl-C(3)	1.792(8)			
Bond Angles (°)				
S(2)-S(1)-C(2)	105.5(3)			
S(1)-S(2)-C(8)	105.84(24)			
S(1)-C(2)-C(3)	107.5(5)			
Cl-C(3)-C(2)	111.6(6)			
Dihedral Angles (°)				
C(2)-S(1)-S(2)-C(8)	-95.6(3)			
S(2)-S(1)-C(2)-C(3)	-170.2(5)			
S(1)-S(2)-C(8)-C(21)	58.3(3)			

Table 2:Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for endo-2-Chloro-
exo-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68)

In addition, the x-ray crystallographic structure of 69 was also reported⁶⁴ for the first time. The ORTEP¹²³ drawing of dithio 69 is shown in Figure 2. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 3.





Figure 2: ORTEP Representation of endo-2-Chloro-exo-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69)

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Table 3:Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for endo-2-Chloro-
exo-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69)

Bond Lengths (Å)				
S(1)-S(2)	2.046(5)			
S(1)-C(9)	1.871(9)			
S(2)-C(1)	1.854(9)			
Cl(1)-C(2)	1.840(10)			
Bond Angles (°)				
S(2)-S(1)-C(9)	104.6(3)			
S(1)-S(2)-C(1)	105.9(3)			
S(2)-C(1)-C(2)	101.5(6)			
Cl(1)-C(2)-C(1)	111.8(7)			
Dihedral	Angles (°)			
C(9)-S(1)-S(2)-C(1)	92.7(5)			
S(1)-S(2)-C(1)-C(2)	166.8(8)			
S(2)-S(1)-C(9)-C(16)	66.5(5)			

The stereochemistry of addition to olefins 66 and 67 has been determined by an xray analysis. The analysis revealed the regiochemistry of 68 (Figure 1) and the symmetry of 69 permits only one isomer (Figure 2). Elemental and x-ray analysis demonstrated that, the addition products 68 and 69 contained two sulfur atoms rather than one. A plausible mechanism showing the explanation for the presence of the second sulfur atom is indicated by the pathway in Scheme 36.





To demonstrate the likelihood of this mechanism we independently prepared *exo*episulfide **102** and treated it with triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (**65**). Dithio **68** was isolated in 90% yield (**Scheme 37**). This explains clearly the likely pathway displayed in **Scheme 36**.



SCHEME 37

3.1.2 FORMATION OF DITHIO ADDUCTS FROM TRIPHENYLMETHANETHIO-SULFENYL CHLORIDE (61)

Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) was dissolved in dry methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) to form a yellow solution which was added dropwise at room temperature to a stirred solution of an olefin in dry CH_2Cl_2 . The mixture was stirred for a certain time under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using about 15 to 20% chloroform in hexane as eluent. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and recrystallization from the appropriate solvent gave a pure product of the corresponding dithio adducts in good isolated yields (Table 4).

The structures of these adducts were established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by elemental analysis.

		nine (n)	%Yield	Мр. (°С)
68	SSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	6	87	114-115
69	SSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	7	82	118-119
73	SSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	7	88	9 9-101
74	SSC(C ₆ H₅)₃ ,	5	90	103-104
	SSC(C ₆ H ₅)₃ ĈCI	8	61	oil
	SSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	10	68	43-44

Table 4:Dithio Adducts From Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride
(61): Melting Points, Reaction Times and % Isolated Yields

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The assignments of relevant ¹³C NMR chemical shifts relative to tetramethylsilane of dithio adducts are reported in **Table 5**. The carbon atoms were identified using the following numbering system.



 Table 5:
 Assignments of Relevant ¹³C Chemical Shifts for Dithio

 Compounds

Entry	C 1	C2	С3	C4	C5	C6
68	42.57	58.76	66.41	44.82	71.26	143.74
69	28.71	55.86	65.00	33.99	71.16	143.76
73	28.89	55.25	65.79	33.66	71.38	143.57
74	28.62	52.78	62.66	32.76	71.44	143.77
112	-	88.16	89.99	-	71.92	143.23
113	-	59.81	60.72	-	72.74	143.78

3.1.3 FORMATION OF TRITHIO ADDUCTS FROM TRIPHENYLMETHANE-DITHIOSULFENYL CHLORIDE (70)

A solution of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (70) in methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of olefin 66 or 71 or 72 in CH_2Cl_2 at room temperature. The reaction was stirred for a certain time under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography on silica gel afforded a solid product. Recrystallization from the appropriate solvent gave a pure product of the corresponding trithio adducts in good isolated yields (Table 6).

Table 6:Trithio Adducts From Triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl Chloride(70): Melting Points, Reaction Times and % Isolated Yields

Entry	Trithio Adduct	Time (h)	%Yield	Mp. (°C)
76	SSSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	3	92	138-139
75	SSSC(C ₆ H ₅) ₃	4	90	73-74
114	CI	10	68	oil

The identity of these adducts was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by elemental analysis.

The x-ray crystallographic structure of trithio adduct **76** was reported⁶⁵ for the first time. The ORTEP¹²³ drawing of trithio adduct **76** is shown in **Figure 3**. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in **Table 7**.



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Figure 3: ORTEP Representation of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (76)

Bond Lengths (Å)					
S(1)-S(2)	2.032(2)				
S(2)-S(3)	2.041(2)				
S(3)-C(7)	1.891(4)				
S(1)-C(1)	1.824(6)				
Cl-C(6)	1.82(1)				
Bond Angles (°)					
S(2)-S(1)-C(1)	105.0(4)				
S(1)-S(2)-S(3)	108.47(8)				
S(2)-S(3)-C(7)	108.2(1)				
S(1)-C(1)-C(6)	119.7(7)				
Cl-C(6)-C(1)	117.1(9)				
Dihedral	Angles (°)				
S(3)-S(2)-S(1)-C(1)	-89.2(2)				
S(1)-S(2)-S(3)-C(7)	-103.7(2)				
S(2)-S(3)-C(7)-C(8)	-80.4(3)				
S(2)-S(1)-C(1)-C(6)	-69.0(1)				

Table 7:Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for trans-2-Chloro-1-
(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (76)

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In addition, the x-ray crystallographic structure of trithio adduct 75 was also reported⁶⁵ for the first time. The ORTEP¹²³ drawing of trithio adduct 75 is shown in **Figure 4**. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in **Table 8**.





Figure 4: ORTEP Representation of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (75)

Bond Lengths (Å)					
S(1)-S(2)	2.0452(18)				
S(2)-S(3)	2.0322(14)				
S(3)-C(6)	1.887(4)				
S(1)-C(1)	1.838(4)				
Cl(1)-C(5)	1.826(4)				
Bond Angles (°)					
S(2)-S(1)-C(1)	106.85(15)				
S(1)-S(2)-S(3)	110.24(7)				
S(2)-S(3)-C(6)	107.01(12)				
S(1)-C(1)-C(5)	110.7(4)				
Cl(1)-C(5)-C(1)	106.6(3)				
Dihedral	Angles (°)				
S(3)-S(2)-S(1)-C(1)	-97.6(1)				
S(1)-S(2)-S(3)-C(6)	91.8(1)				
S(2)-S(3)-C(6)-C(13)	158.8(3)				
S(2)-S(1)-C(1)-C(5)	-59.0(2)				

Table 8:Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for trans-2-Chloro-1-
(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (75)

The assignments of relevant ¹³C NMR chemical shifts relative to tetramethylsilane of trithio adducts are reported in **Table 9**. The carbon atoms were identified using the following numbering system.



 Table 9:
 Assignments of Relevant ¹³C Chemical Shifts for Trithio

 Compounds

Entry	C1	C2	С3	C4	C5	C6
75	30.33	56.49	61.51	34.30	73.42	143.33
76	29.69	59.39	65.08	34.33	73.29	143.23
114	43.15	62.58	66.38	44.52	73.22	143.26

In addition, we investigated the reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) and its thio 61 and dithio 70 homolog with more hindered olefins such as adamantylideneadamantane (108) and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115).



1,2-Addition products like **68** and **69** were not isolated, instead cyclization takes place forming the corresponding episulfides adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (**116**) and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (**117**) respectively.



In another investigation, we studied the reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) and its thio 61 and dithio 70 homolog with another series of olefins. Cyclic olefins such as: 1,2-diphenylcyclohexene (118); 1,2-diphenylcyclobutene (119); 1,4-dimethylcyclohexene (120); (1R)-(+)- α -pinene (121); (1S)-(-)- β -pinene (122); 3-carene (123); 2-carene (124); camphene (125); 3,4-dihydro-2H-pyran (126); 2,5-dihydrofuran (127) and 2,5-dimethoxy-2,5-dihydrofuran (128) were not reacted with the series of sulfenyl chlorides.



In addition, acyclic olefins such as: 1,1,2,2-tetramethylethylene (129); 1,1,2,2tetraphenylethylene (130); 1,1,2,2-tetracyanoethylene (131); *trans*-stilbene (132); *cis*stilbene (133); 1-bromo-2-methylpropene (134); styrene (135); bromostyrene (136) and vinylcyclohexane (137) were also tried.



We discovered that these olefins **118-137** remained unaffected even if the reactions were carried out over a few weeks. This behavior can be explained by the fact that the reaction must take place at room temperature because sulfenyl chlorides **61** or **65** and **70** decomposed upon heating and most of the olefins are stable to addition chemistry, either due to conjugation or because they are vinyl halides.

We found that when each of the 1,2-addition products **68**, **69** or **73-76** were decomposed in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) evidence was obtained of the trapping of diatomic sulfur.

3.2 TRAPPING OF DIATOMIC SULFUR FROM DI- AND TRITHIO ADDUCTS

In the literature there are only five reaction systems reported which successfully generated singlet diatomic sulfur in synthetically useful yields.^{47,49-51,63} These methods have certain limitations. For example, since triphenylphosphine dibromide (**35**) is light and moisture sensitive as well as reactive towards a wide variety of functionalities, the two procedures^{47,49} which require the use of compound **35** are difficult. In addition, the triarylmetal trisulfides **34**⁴⁷ are not easy to prepare.

The major limitation in case of the procedure of Steliou⁵⁰ is that it must be conducted in the absence of most functionalities. The major sulfurating reagent, hexamethyldisilthiane, which was used in his procedure¹²⁴ to produce S_2 uses a method for the conversion of ketones to thioketones. The disilthiane readily reacts with moisture to produce hydrogen sulfide (H₂S). In addition, boron trichloride is a strong Lewis Acid and readily complexes with oxygen or other donor atoms to hamper S_2 formation.

In the case of the procedure of Schmidt and Görl,⁴⁹ the major limitation was the preparation of 5,5-dimethyl-1,2-dithia-3,7-diselenacycloheptane (**38**). Compound **38**, although stable, was difficult to prepare and isolate. In addition, the synthesis required high dilution conditions, and to maximize the production of S_2 , a high temperature (140 °C), at which some substances may be destroyed, was required.

The production of the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6cyclooctene (64) from the reaction of S_2 with dienes has been indicated in three instances.^{51,55,63}

Nicolaou⁵⁵ isolated cyclic tetrasulfide **64** in the reaction of dithiatopazine **53** with 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-butadiene. In addition, Harpp and McDonald⁵¹ obtained adduct **64** by reacting pentasulfide **40** and dibromide **35** with 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene **(62)**.

Most recently, Harpp and coworkers⁶³ isolated cyclic di- and tetrasulfide adducts **63** and **64** from the thermal decomposition of alkoxydisulfide **29** with 2,3-dimethyl- and 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-butadienes, in good yields.

The central theme of our work is to try to trap S_2 in the thermal decomposition of di- and trithio adducts. It is our belief that by carrying out a study of the addition chemistry

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of sulfenyl chlorides 61, 65 and 70 with various olefins, we might be able to generate species such as 68, 69 and 74. These in turn might indeed decompose to species like dithietane intermediate 77 which should then transfer S_2 directly to dienes or lose S_2 which is then captured by dienes.

The successful identification of trapped S_2 was realized when signals in the ¹H NMR spectrum corresponding to cyclic disulfide 1,2-dithia-4,5-dimethyl-4-cyclohexene (63) or the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) were observed. This took place when the decomposition of the 1,2-addition products 68, 69 and 74 was conducted in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62). Once these adducts were identified, the reaction conditions were modified so that the yield of the trapped adducts 63 and 64 was maximized. This reaction could then be considered as a useful source of S_2 and can be added to the list of those already known.

3.2.1 GENERAL PROCEDURE

A solution of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) and the di- or trithio adduct were refluxed in an appropriate solvent for a certain time under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15 to 25% chloroform in hexane as eluent. In each case, cyclic disulfide adduct 1,2-dithia-4,5-dimethyl-4-cyclohexene (63) was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield and cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) was isolated in good yield.

Byproducts, the acyclic tetrasulfide adduct, chlorotriphenylmethane and starting material along with triphenylmethanethiol and elemental sulfur were isolated in low yields. In addition, the corresponding olefin was also detected by ¹H NMR.

In each case, there are two possible ways olefin could form. Scheme 38, path a shows the possible formation of dithietane intermediate 77. Scheme 38, path b displays a concerted fragmentation producing diatomic sulfur and olefin directly from intermediate 138. At present we have no evidence suggesting which path may be correct.



SCHEME 38

3.2.1.1 FROM DECOMPOSITION OF *endo*-2-CHLORO-*exo*-1-(TRIPHENYL-METHYLDITHIO)BICYCLO[2.2.1]HEPTANE (68)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) was carried out with 3 equivalents of dithio 68 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave a 24% yield of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) as an oily product. Cyclic disulfide adduct 1,2-dithia-4,5-dimethyl-4-cyclohexene (63) was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield. The major product of this reaction is formed by an intermolecular pathway and identified as the acyclic tetrasulfide adduct di[(2-chloro)-1-norbornyl] tetrasulfide (139) in 59% yield.

In addition, a number of minor products were formed in low yield. Among these is chlorotriphenylmethane (23%), starting material (10%), along with triphenylmethanethiol (25%) and elemental sulfur (14%). In addition, bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (**66**) was detected by ¹H NMR.

3.2.1.2 FROM DECOMPOSITION OF *endo*-2-CHLORO-*exo*-1-(TRIPHENYL-METHYLDITHIO)BICYCLO[2.2.2]OCTANE (69)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) was carried out with 3 equivalents of dithio 69 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 40 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave a 19% yield of cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64. Cyclic disulfide 63 was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield. The major product of this reaction is formed by an intermolecular pathway and identified as the acyclic tetrasulfide adduct di[(2-chloro)-1-bicyclo[2.2.2]octyl] tetrasulfide (140) in 51% yield.

A number of minor products such as triphenylmethanethiol (23%) were isolated along with chlorotriphenylmethane (21%), starting material (14%) and elemental sulfur (18%). In addition, bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (67) was detected by ¹H NMR.

3.2.1.3 FROM DECOMPOSITION OF *endo-2*-CHLORO-*exo-1*-(TRIPHENYL-METHYLTRITHIO)BICYCLO[2.2.1]HEPTANE (114)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) was carried out with 3 equivalents of trithio 114 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave a 15% yield of cyclic tetrasulfide 64. Cyclic disulfide adduct 63 was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield. The major product of this reaction is formed by an intermolecular pathway and identified as the acyclic tetrasulfide adduct di[(2-chloro)-1-norbornyl] tetrasulfide (139) in 60% yield.

A number of minor products such as triphenylmethanethiol (27%) were isolated along with chlorotriphenylmethane (19%), starting material (16%) and elemental sulfur (17%). In addition, bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66) was detected by ¹H NMR.

The identity of cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 in the above reactions was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry. In addition, the structure of tetrasulfides 139 and 140 was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by elemental analysis.

When 3 equivalents of **68** were heated in ethyl acetate with 1 equivalent of a standard diatomic sulfur trap; 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (**62**), both cyclic disulfide adduct 1,2-dithia-4,5-dimethyl-4-cyclohexene (**63**) and cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (**64**) were detected by ¹H NMR.

Eventually, the tetrasulfide adduct 64 was isolated in 24% yield. It is possible that intermediate 77 either transfers its two sulfur atoms to the diene trap to form 63 or gives up S₂ which is then trapped (Scheme 39). However, as stated earlier, we have no direct evidence concerning intermediate 77. As has been noted by ourselves^{63,51,125} and in other labs,¹²⁶ a likely second trap of a two sulfur unit takes place forming tetrasulfide 64.



SCHEME 39

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The major product of the reaction is formed by an intermolecular pathway when **68** is heated in ethyl acetate eventually giving the corresponding tetrasulfide **139** in 59% yield.

A possible pathway to explain this result is suggested in Scheme 39. In addition, starting material was isolated (10%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (25%), chlorotriphenylmethane (23%) and elemental sulfur (14%). Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66) was detected by ¹H NMR.

We discovered that di- and trithio reagents **68**, **69** and **114** gave a low yield of the trapped adducts **63** and **64** even when the decomposition was carried out under different reaction conditions. We tried to synthesize a new series of 1,2-addition products in order to obtain better yields of **63** and **64**. Other olefins like cyclohexene (**72**) and cyclopentene (**71**) were used for this purpose.

3.2.1.4 FROM DECOMPOSITION OF *trans*-2-CHLORO-1-(TRIPHENYL-METHYLDITHIO)CYCLOHEXANE (74)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) was carried out with 3 equivalents of dithio 74 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 10 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave a 58% yield of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) as a major product. Cyclic disulfide adduct 63 was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 10%). Acyclic tetrasulfide adduct di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (79) was formed by an intermolecular pathway as one of the minor products in a yield of 16%.

Other minor products, such as triphenylmethanethiol (28%), were also isolated along with chlorotriphenylmethane (18%), starting material (10%) and elemental sulfur (17%). In addition, cyclohexene (72) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 8%).

The decomposition was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in an effort to maximize the yield of the trapped adduct. The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration (**Table 10**).

Table 10:Summary of S2 Trapping Experiments of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-
butadiene (62) with trans-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)-
cyclohexane (74)

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R ^a	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (B)
1:3	EtOAc	77	12	27	41
1:1	EtOAc	77	12	35	34
3:1	EtOAc*	77	10	58	16
3:1	EtOAc**	77	10	54	19
5:1	EtOAc	77	10	57	15
3:1	CH ₂ Cl ₂	36	15	10	62
3:1	CHCl ₃	36	15	15	58
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	15	20	51
3:1	CHCl ₃	61	15	26	42
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	2	31	36
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl*	132	2	48	20
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ C1* *	132	2	47	18

Ra	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (B)
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	10	49	20
5:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	2	50	18

R^a refers to the molar ratio of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclohexane (74) to 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62).

A refers to the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64.

B refers to the di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (79).

* 50 mL of the solvent was used.

** 15 mL of the solvent was used.

3.2.1.5 FROM DECOMPOSITION OF *trans-2-*CHLORO-1-(TRIPHENYL-METHYLTRITHIO)CYCLOHEXANE (76)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) was carried out with 3 equivalents of trithio 76 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 10 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave a 63% yield of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) as a major product. Cyclic disulfide adduct 63 was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 8%). Acyclic tetrasulfide adduct di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (79) was formed by an intermolecular pathway as one of the minor products in a yield of 12%.

Other minor products such as triphenylmethanethiol (29%) were also isolated along with chlorotriphenylmethane (17%), starting material (9%) and elemental sulfur (24%). In addition, cyclohexene (72) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 7%).

The decomposition was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in a variety of ways (**Table 11**).

Table 11:Summary of S2 Trapping Experiments of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-
butadiene (62) with trans-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)-
cyclohexane (76)

Rb	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time. (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (B)
1:3	EtOAc	77	12	32	37
1:1	EtOAc	77	12	42	28
3:1	EtOAc*	77	10	63	12
3:1	EtOAc**	77	10	60	13
5:1	EtOAc	77	10	62	11
3:1	CH_2Cl_2	36	15	12	60
3:1	CHCl ₃	36	15	16	55
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	15	25	41
3:1	CHCl ₃	61	15	29	38
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	2	40	29
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl*	132	2	56	15
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl**	132	2	53	14

R ^b	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time. (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (B)
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	10	56	16
5:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	2	57	14

R^b refers to the molar ratio of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (76) to 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62).

- A refers to the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64.
- **B** refers to the di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (79).
- * 50 mL of the solvent was used.
- ** 15 mL of the solvent was used.

3.2.1.6 FROM DECOMPOSITION OF *trans-2-*CHLORO-1-(TRIPHENYL-METHYLDITHIO)CYCLOPENTANE (73)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) was carried out with 3 equivalents of dithio 73 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 15 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave a 40% yield of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) as a major product. Cyclic disulfide adduct 63 was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 8%). Acyclic tetrasulfide adduct di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (78) was formed by an intermolecular pathway as one of the minor products in a yield of 24%.

Other minor products such as triphenylmethanethiol (26%) were also isolated along with chlorotriphenylmethane (21%), starting material (12%) and elemental sulfur (18%). In addition, cyclopentene (71) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 9%).

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration hoping to maximize the yield of the trapped adduct (**Table 12**).

Table 12:Summary of S2 Trapping Experiments of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-
butadiene (62) with trans-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)-
cyclopentane (73)

R¢	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (C)
1:3	EtOAc	77	15	12	55
1:1	EtOAc	77	15	18	54
3:1	EtOAc*	77	15	40	24
3:1	EtOAc**	77	15	37	27
5:1	EtOAc	77	15	39	28
3:1	CH_2Cl_2	36	20	7	62
3:1	CHCl ₃	36	20	10	59
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	20	10	57
3:1	CHCl ₃	61	20	11	56
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	5	16	55
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ C1*	132	5	30	40

Rc	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (C)
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl**	132	5	29	38
5:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	5	32	36

R^c refers to the molar ratio of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)-cyclopentane (73) to 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62).

A refers to the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64.

C refers to the di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (78).

- * 50 mL of the solvent was used.
- ** 15 mL of the solvent was used.

3.2.1.7 FROM DECOMPOSITION OF *trans-2-*CHLORO-1-(TRIPHENYL-METHYLTRITHIO)CYCLOPENTANE (75)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) was carried out with 3 equivalents of trithio 75 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 15 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave a 45% yield of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) as a major product. Cyclic disulfide adduct 63 was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 9%). Acyclic tetrasulfide adduct di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (78) was formed by an intermolecular pathway as one of the minor products in a yield of 22%.

Other minor products such as triphenylmethanethiol (30%) were also isolated along with chlorotriphenylmethane (20%), starting material (8%) and elemental sulfur (25%). In addition, cyclopentene (71) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 6%).

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration hoping to maximize the yield of the trapped adduct (**Table 13**).

Table 13:Summary of S2 Trapping Experiments of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-
butadiene (62) with trans-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)-
cyclopentane (75)

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R ^d	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (C)
1:3	EtOAc	77	15	17	55
1:1	EtOAc	77	15	21	43
3:1	EtOAc*	77	15	45	22
3:1	EtOAc**	77	15 42		27
5:1	EtOAc	77	15	44	25
3:1	CH_2Cl_2	36	20	10	60
3:1	CHCl ₃	36	20	14	59
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	20	11	58
3:1	CHCl ₃	61	20	16	55
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	4	20	48
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl*	132	4	39	30
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl**	132	4	37	29

R ^d	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time (h)	%Yield (A)	%Yield (C)
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	12	39	29
5:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	4	40	27

R^d refers to the molar ratio of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (**75**) to 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (**62**).

A refers to the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64.

C refers to the di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (78).

* 50 mL of the solvent was used.

** 15 mL of the solvent was used.

It is noteworthy to mention that, an independent experiment showed that only about 40% of the theoretical amounts of chlorotriphenylmethane emerges from silica gel chromatography; the trityl group is likely retained by reaction with siloxy functions in the silica gel. By eluting with methanol the chlorotriphenylmethane was obtained (*ca.* 54%) in the form of triphenylmethanecarbinol.

Low yield of triphenylmethanethiol and elemental sulfur was obtained. To explain this, an independent experiment was carried out in which a solution with known amounts of triphenylmethanethiol and elemental sulfur was passed through the used column under the same conditions. Only 50-55% of these amounts were detected. We had to use a column with this a particular eluent (10-20% chloroform in hexane), since it was the only one which resulted in efficient separation of our major product. The assignments of relevant ¹³C NMR chemical shifts relative to tetramethylsilane of acyclic tetrasulfide adducts are reported in **Table 14**. The carbon atoms were identified using the following numbering system.



Table 14:Assignments of Relevant ¹³C Chemical Shifts for the
Acyclic Tetrasulfide Adducts

Entry	C1	C2	C3	C4
78	30.22	59.59	65.35	34.79
79	30.60	56.99	61.71	35.07
139	43.61	62.59	66.75	44.75
140	30.61	61.55	64.96	34.48

Recently, we reported⁶⁴ that stable 1,2-addition products **68** and **69** were formed when the reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride **65** (or its thio **61** and dithio **70** homolog) were treated with bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (**66**) and bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (**67**). While diatomic sulfur transfers took place from them to a diene acceptor **62**, the yield of final products was quite low.

In contrast, the addition products (73, 74 from 61; 75 and 76 from 70) are effective in transferring two sulfur units to a diene trap. When di- and trithio adducts 73-76 were each heated in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, trapped tetrasulfide adduct 1,2,3,4-

tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) was isolated in good overall yield (Table 10-13).

In the case of dithio reagent 74, two decomposition avenues are possible (Scheme 40).



SCHEME 40

Dithietane intermediate 77 (Scheme 40, path a) either directly transfers its two sulfur atoms to the diene trap to form 63 (Scheme 40, path a_1) or undergoes a cycloreversion to cyclohexene and ${}^{1}S_{2}$ which is then trapped (Scheme 40, path a_2). Conversely, intermediate 138 could fragment directly to deliver ${}^{1}S_{2}$ which is then trapped (Scheme 40, path b).

In addition, we find cyclohexene (72) in the crude mixture; it is difficult to rationalize the presence of this molecule except by the decomposition of dithietane intermediate 77 or by a concerted expulsion of ${}^{1}S_{2}$ from intermediate 138 (Scheme 40). A second capture of a two sulfur unit apparently takes place which results in cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 as the major product.

Using an excess amount of precursors 73-76 (which deliver diatomic sulfur) would account for the production of tetrasulfide adduct 64 from disulfide 63. In addition, preliminary experiments in our lab⁶³ have shown that disulfide adduct 63 is slowly converted to tetrasulfide 64 by heating in certain solvents. It is also clear that cyclic disulfide 63 can undergo cycloreversion to diatomic sulfur and 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) which, in turn, forms some Diels-Alder addition products like 64 (Scheme 41).



SCHEME 41

We found that, cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) can be converted quantitatively to a disulfide adduct 1,2-dithia-4,5-dimethyl-4-cyclohexene (63) by an *in situ* treatment with triphenylphosphine (141) (Scheme 42).



As a result, this methodology serves to transfer a two sulfur unit to a diene in over

50% isolated yield.

The most probable mechanism for the formation of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) from the thermal decomposition of dithio reagent 74 in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) is shown in Scheme 40 above. The most probable mechanism for the formation of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4-tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64) from the thermal decomposition of trithio reagent 76 in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) is shown in Scheme 43.





The most probable mechanism for the formation of di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (79) from the thermal decomposition of dithio reagent 74 is shown in Scheme 44.



SCHEME 44

The most probable pathway explaining the formation of di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (79) from the thermal decomposition of trithio reagent 76 is shown in Scheme 45.



SCHEME 45

CHAPTER 4

THIIRANES

INTRODUCTION AND METHODS OF PREPARATION

4.1 INTRODUCTION

Although thiiranes and oxiranes have similar structures and their corresponding hetero atoms, sulfur and oxygen, are in the same family in the periodic table, the chemistry of thiiranes is much less studied. This lacking is attributed to several reasons. First, they are not easily available, are often unstable and the low molecular weight representatives have characteristic unpleasant odors. As compared to the chemistry of oxiranes, thiiranes have a greater tendency to undergo spontaneous polymerization and they are less convenient to store. Also, contrary to the deoxygenation of oxiranes, desulfurization of thiranes is a well-studied reaction. Sometimes they show more effective biological activity than oxiranes and can be used in the synthesis of carbohydrates and other biologically active substances.¹²⁷

4.2 METHODS OF PREPARATION

The classical methods of synthesis of thiiranes¹²⁸ form the basis of the known chemistry of this class. Here, we will present some novel methods for the synthesis of thiiranes in which the classical methods are modified in order to improve the range of

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reagents used and to improve yields. It has been possible with the discovery of new sulfurating agents to design new non-traditional methods of synthesis.

4.2.1 FROM ALKENE OXIDES (OXIRANES)

A method which is frequently encountered to prepare thiiranes is the reaction of oxiranes with thiourea or alkali metal thiocyanates.¹²⁹ The adopted mechanism with thiocyanate involves a nucleophilic attack by the latter resulting in a C-O bond cleavage intermediate, followed by an intramolecular S to O cyano migration and ring closure (Scheme 46).¹³⁰



SCHEME 46

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A similar reaction mechanism has been proposed for the reaction with thiourea (Scheme 47). 130



SCHEME 47

The stereochemistry is preserved and an optically active (R,R)-oxirane gives an optically active (S,S)-thiirane. Tri- and tetrasubstituted oxiranes generally are not satisfactory substrates and if the substituents are electron-withdrawing, the reaction is slow. Moreover, electron-withdrawing substituents promote the decomposition of thiiranes to alkenes.¹³¹ A number of new thiiranes with a variety of substituents have thus been obtained which were previously unavailable.^{132,133} In the presence of trivalent

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phosphorus, extrusion of sulfur is efficient, even for alkyl derivatives. This sequence allows the synthesis of highly substituted alkenes.¹³⁴

The acid catalyzed reaction of oxiranes with triphenylphosphine sulfide¹³⁵ gives thiiranes with retention of configuration unlike the reactions with thiourea and thiocyanate.¹³⁰

A silyl thiirane can be prepared by the reaction of the corresponding oxirane with 3-methylbenzothiazole-2-thione.¹³⁶ Another way to prepare thiirane is through 3-methylbenzothiazole-2-thione (142) in the presence of an acid which quantitatively converts oxirane 143 to thiirane 144 (Scheme 48).¹³⁷



SCHEME 48

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The corresponding perhydrobenzothiazole-2-thione derivative has also been used.^{137b} It is worth mentioning that, N,N-dimethylthioformamide¹³⁸ is one of the most effective new thiono compounds which can be used for the preparation of thiiranes. Mercaptobenzothiozole¹³⁹ and 5-mercapto-1-phenyltetrazole¹⁴⁰ are also effective.

4.2.2 FROM CONDENSATION OF DIAZO COMPOUNDS

This procedure is one of the oldest methods by which it is possible to obtain thiiranes as stable compounds. In the period 1916-1920, Staudinger and coworkers¹⁴¹ reported the formation of thiiranes in the reaction between diazoalkanes and aromatic thioketones, thiophosgene, and thiobenzoyl chloride. An unstable thiazoline **145** was postulated as an intermediate which is converted to the thiirane after the evolution of nitrogen ceases (Scheme 49).¹³⁴



SCHEME 49

The initial formation of a carbene is common in these reactions. In fact, this method has been used with a wide range of both diazo reagents and thioketones to give

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a) H. Staudinger and F. Pfenninger, Chem. Ber., 49, 1941 (1916); b) H.
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many different thiiranes.^{142,143} Thiocarbonyl ylides are important as intermediates in the preparation of thiiranes by thermal extrusion methods from heterocyclic precursors.¹⁴⁴ This process is illustrated by the flash vaccum pyrolysis of *trans*-2,4-diphenyl-1,3-oxathiolan-5-one (**146**) to *cis*-stilbene sulfide (**147**); an intermediate ylide **148** undergoes controtatory ring closure (**Scheme 50**).¹⁴⁵



SCHEME 50

- a) M. Tashiro, S. Makata and S. Ischi, *Heterocycles*, 12, 184 (1979); b) M. S. Raasch, J. Org. Chem., 44, 632 (1979); c) G. L'abbe, J. P. Dekerk, C. Martens and S. Toppet, J. Org. Chem., 45, 4366 (1980); d) E. Schaumann, H. Behr, G. Adwidjaja, A.Tangerman, B. H. M. Lammerink and B. Zwanenburg, *Tetrahedron*, 37, 219 (1981); e) G. Barbaro, A. Battaglia, P. Giorgianni, G. Maccagnani, D. Maciantelli, B. F. Bonini, G. Mazzanti and P. Zani, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1, 381 (1986); f) T. Furuhata and W. Ando, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 28, 1179 (1987); g) N. Tokitoh, H. Hayakawa and W. Ando, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 30, 4271 (1988); h) N. Tokitoh, T. Suzuki and W. Ando, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 30, 4271 (1989); i) K. Rall and W. Sundermeyer, J. Fluorine Chem., 47, 121 (1990); j) B. L. Feringa, W. F. Jager and B. de Lange, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 33, 2887 (1992).
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Grignard reagents and phenyltrihalomethylmercury compounds¹⁴⁶ have been used as a source of carbene to prepare thiiranes. Moreover, phenyliodonium bis(phenylsulphonyl)methylide, which is a carbene precursor, has been used with thioketones to prepare thiiranes.¹⁴⁷ Most recently, Harpp and coworkers^{23a} reported that activated diazo compounds **149** generated from fluorenone **150**, react with thiophosgene (CSCl₂) to give the corresponding thiirane **151** (Scheme **51**). In addition, they presented a synthesis of novel derivatives of thiirane **151**.^{23a}



SCHEME 51

4.2.3 FROM CARBONYL COMPOUNDS

Thiiranes can be prepared by condensation of carbonyl compounds with certain sulfur-stabilized carbanions.¹⁴⁸ As an example, the lithiated xanthate 152 reacts with heptanal to give thiirane 153 *via* adduct 154 (Scheme 52).

¹⁴⁶ D. Seyferth, W. Tronich, R. S. Marmor and W. E. Smith, J. Org. Chem., 37, 1537 (1972).

¹⁴⁷ L. Hatjiarapoglou and A. Varvoglis, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 1, 379 (1989).

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SCHEME 52

The transformation from 154 to 153 involves migration of a thiono ester fragment from sulfur to oxygen. This method is of limited value for thiirane synthesis because lithiation is difficult unless the starting materials $XSCH_2R$ has R = H, C_6H_5 or $CH=CH_2$ (X = thiono ester, thiazol, etc.). As mentioned earlier, thiiranes having electron-withdrawing substituents are unstable and tend to lose sulfur spontaneously. The result is a synthesis of α,β -unsaturated compounds 155 starting from lithiated xanthates 156 (Scheme 53).¹⁴⁹



SCHEME 53

 ¹⁴⁹ K. Tanaka, N. Yamagishi, R. Tanikaga and A. Kaji, *Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn.*, 52, 3619 (1979).

When a cyclic xanthate 157 is treated with potassium carbonate in methanol, it gives thiirane 158 which is then used to prepare 4'-thionucleosides (Scheme 54).¹⁵⁰



SCHEME 54

In a similar way, sodium carbonate was used to prepare L-methionine analogs bearing an episulfide function which could inhibit the S-adenosyl transferase reaction.¹⁵¹ An unusual reaction for the preparation of thiirane was reported by Ali and coworkers.¹⁵² They treated 2-hydroxyacetophenone (159) with thionyl chloride in pyridine to prepare thiirane 160 (Scheme 55).





Most recently, Calo and coworkers¹⁵³ reported that the carbonyl reduction of diallylated keto sulfide **161** with sodium borohydride in isopropanol afforded directly the corresponding thiirane **162** in a high yield (Scheme 56).

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¹⁵⁰ J. Uenishi, M. Motoyama, Y. Nishiyama and S. Wakabayashi, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 1421 (1991).

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SCHEME 56

4.2.4 FROM OLEFINS

The use of olefin precursors represents a convenient way to prepare thiiranes by the addition of sulfenyl chlorides to alkenes followed by ring closure (Scheme 57).^{108-110,154}



SCHEME 57

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b) F. K. Lautenschlaeger, J. Org. Chem., 34, 3998 (1969); c) W. A. Smit, N. S. Zefirov and I. V. Bodrikov, "Organic Sulfur Chemistry", R. K. Freidlina and A. E. Skorova (Eds.), Pergamon Press, 1981, p. 159.</sup>

A perfluorinated thiirane was synthesized by chlorination.¹⁵⁵ The use of sodium sulfide with alkenes also yields thiiranes.¹⁵⁶ Another new method was discovered by Zipplies¹⁵⁷ in which N,N-dimethylaniline N-oxide reacted with CS₂ in the presence of alkenes producing thiiranes. The reaction of a hindered thioaldehyde with a Wittig reagent also gives thiirane,¹⁵⁸ and the interaction between SCl₂ and adamantylideneadamantane produces epithio compounds.¹⁵⁹ Recently, Nakayama and coworkers¹⁶⁰ reported that adamantylideneadamantane (**108**) reacts with elemental sulfur to give the corresponding thiirane **116**, however, the yield was low (**Scheme 58**).



SCHEME 58

In addition to the methods mentioned above, thiiranes have also been synthesized by adding lithium aluminum hydride to 2-chloro disulfides.¹⁶¹ By the treatment of methyl cysteinate with sodium nitrite in aqueous HCl, thiirane carboxylic acids can be prepared as well.¹⁶² Another method for the preparation of thiiranes is the reaction of dihaloalkanes in the presence of sodium sulfide.¹⁶³ Treatment of β -hydroxyethanesulfenyl chlorides with phosphines leads to the formation of thiirane.¹⁶⁴ In addition, vinylthio substituted thiiranes

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- 164 J. E. Baldwin and D. P. Hesson, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 667 (1976).

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¹⁵⁶ H. Bader, H. Hopf and K. Sieper, Chem. Ber., 122, 383 (1989).

¹⁵⁷ M. F. Zipplies, M. -J. de Vos and T. C. Bruice, J. Org. Chem., 50, 3228 (1985).

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163 have been synthesized from sulfenyl chlorides in the presence of alkynes and boron superhydride (Scheme 59)¹⁶⁵ (*vide infra* Results and Discussion Section, Chapter 7).



SCHEME 59

Most recently, we reported a new methodology for the synthesis of thiiranes.¹⁶⁶ An equimolar amount of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) (or analogs thio 61 and dithio 70) reacts with sterically hindered olefins such as adamantylideneadamantane (108), in methylene chloride solution to give the corresponding thiirane 116 in 92% isolated yield (Scheme 60).



Moreover, bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117) was also produced in a high isolated yield upon the treatment of a sterically hindered olefin

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¹⁶⁶ I. A. Abu-Yousef and D. N. Harpp, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 36, 201 (1995).

bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) with sulfenyl chlorides 61 or 65, and 70 (Scheme 61).¹⁶⁷



We felt that episulfide adducts 116 and 117 (easily prepared and stable) could serve as precursors to a possible sulfur monoxide (SO) transfer reagent.

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CHAPTER 5

SULFUR MONOXIDE

BACKGROUND AND GENERATION

5.1 BACKGROUND

Sulfur monoxide was first detected by Henri and Wolff¹⁶⁸ in 1929. It is isoelectronic with the oxygen molecule and spectral data have shown that sulfur monoxide (SO), like the oxygen molecule, exists in three electronic states: a triplet ground state ${}^{3}\Sigma^{-}$ and two singlet excited states ${}^{1}\Delta$ and ${}^{1}\Sigma^{+}$. Because of the great reactivity of sulfur monoxide, very little is known about its chemical reaction, except for some knowledge of its mode of decomposition and its reaction with oxygen atoms, ozone (O₃) and nitrogen monoxide (NO).

The physical properties of sulfur monoxide have been intensively investigated. Like that of O₂ and S₂, the electronic ground state of sulfur monoxide has been found to be a ${}^{3}\Sigma^{-}$ state by ultraviolet (UV)¹⁶⁹ and microwave¹⁷⁰ spectroscopy. Unlike O₂, however, sulfur monoxide is thermodynamically unstable with regard to both its theoretical dissociation into its elements and its actual dissociation into elemental sulfur and sulfur dioxide (SO₂).

Schenk and coworkers¹⁷¹ prepared sulfur monoxide by different methods; for example by using an electric discharge through a mixture of sulfur vapor,^{171a-d} or through

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W. Schenk, Z. Elcktrochem., 39, 594 (1933); c) H. Cordes and P. W. Schenk,</sup>

a mixture of sulfur vapor and sulfur dioxide.^{171p,172} It can be, also, prepared by the thermal dissociation of sulfur dioxide,^{171e,f} or by incomplete combustion of sulfur at low pressure.^{171d} The thermal pyrolysis of thionyl chloride (SOCl₂) or thionyl bromide (SOBr₂),^{171f} or polysulfur oxides^{171h} is also a way to generate sulfur monoxide.

However, when Kondrat'ev¹⁷³ examined the absorption spectrum of "Schenk's sulfur monoxide" he realized that it was not a spectrum of a diatomic molecule, therefore, Schenk's material was really a dimer that could have a structure shown below.



This was later proposed by Jones.¹⁷⁴

In 1956, it was asserted by Meschi and Meyers¹⁷⁵ using microwave analysis, that Schenk's material was a mixture of disulfur monoxide (S₂O) and sulfur monoxide. Disulfur monoxide could be isolated from the reaction of thionyl chloride with silver sulfide (Ag₂S) at 160 °C.¹⁷⁶

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allg. Chem., 215, 113 (1933); e) H. Platz and P. W. Schenk, *ibid.*, 222, 177
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Other workers¹⁶⁹ concluded that the ground state of sulfur monoxide is the $3\Sigma^{-1}$ state by studying the UV spectrum of sulfur monoxide which resulted from the explosion of carbon disulfide (CS_2) in oxygen at low pressure. After that, Norrish and coworkers¹⁷⁷ studied the absorption spectrum of sulfur monoxide by the flash photolysis of sulfur dioxide. McGrath and McGarvey¹⁷⁸ did so by flash photolysis of a mixture of oxygen and carbon disulfide (CS_2) or dihydrogen sulfide (H_2S) at low pressure. Those authors concluded that there existed 27 bands from 1900 to 2400 Å which constituted the complete spectral analysis of sulfur monoxide. The microwave spectrum was observed from sulfur monoxide generated by the reaction of an oxygen atom with H₂S¹⁷⁹ or sulfur vapor¹⁸⁰ or carbonyl sulfide (COS)¹⁸¹ at low pressure. The spectrum agrees with the computed spectrum by treating sulfur monoxide as a rigid rotor. A Zeeman splitting¹⁸⁰ in the spectrum confirms the ${}^{3}\Sigma^{-}$ state of sulfur monoxide. Saito¹⁷⁰ has detected the ${}^{3}\Sigma^{-}$ state of sulfur monoxide from the pyrolysis of thiirane 1-oxide 184 by microwave spectroscopy. However, the amount of sulfur monoxide detected was small (31%) and large amounts of disulfur monoxide (24%) and sulfur dioxide (20%) were also detected. The electron paramagnetic resonance (EPR) spectrum of the $3\Sigma^{-}$ state has been observed experimentally at low pressure. The sulfur monoxide in the previous experiment was generated by different means: reacting dissociated water with H₂S;¹⁸² subjecting sulfur dioxide to a microwave discharge¹⁸³ or oxygen atoms with sulfur¹⁸⁴ and carbonyl sulfide.¹⁸⁵ The EPR

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spectrum of the ¹ Δ state of sulfur monoxide was observed by Carrington and coworkers¹⁸⁵ and it arises exclusively from the reaction:¹⁸⁵a

SO
$$(^{3}\Sigma^{-})$$
 + O₂ $(^{1}\Delta)$ \longrightarrow SO $(^{1}\Delta)$ + O₂ $(^{3}\Sigma^{-})$

Since the ¹ Δ state of O₂ lies 23 Kcal/mole above the ³ Σ ⁻ state of O₂, the ¹ Δ state of SO has to be less than 23 Kcal/mole above the ³ Σ ⁻ state of SO. The following results were also obtained.^{185e,f}

	Electric Dipole Moment	SO Bond Distance		
¹∆ SO	1.47 D	1.493 Å		
³ ∑⁻ SO	1.55 D	1.484 Å		

Mass spectrometry was also used to study sulfur monoxide. Sulfur monoxide was generated by different methods like the decomposition of sulfur dioxide on a hot tungsten filament at low pressure,¹⁸⁶ and the reaction of oxygen atoms with sulfur or carbonyl sulfide.¹⁸⁷ In addition to the sulfur monoxide peak at m/z 48, they reported a peak at m/z 96 which was assigned to (SO)₂ and a peak at m/z 98 which was consistent in intensity with a (SO)₂ peak at m/z 96 and the naturally occurring ³²S/³⁴S ratio.^{171r} Rapid sampling mass spectrometry¹⁸⁸ was used and the peak at m/z 48 was conclusively shown to be due to SO by isotopic studies using ¹⁸O enriched oxygen in the explosion; however, peaks for (SO)₂ were not identified in this experiment. Some data were obtained using fast flow techniques with mass spectrometry¹⁸⁹ to study the reaction of oxygen atoms with carbonyl sulfide at low pressure as shown below.

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	Rate Constant at
	<u>0.1 mm Hg & 298 °K</u>
0 + COS → CO + SO	5.5x10 ⁹ cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹
$so + so \longrightarrow so_2 + s$	2.5x10 ¹² cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹

The reaction of oxygen with carbonyl sulfide was also studied using EPR and mass spectrometry¹⁹⁰ and the following data were obtained:

	<u>Rate Constant at</u> 0.1 mm Hg & 298 ^o K	
0 + COS → CO + SO	6.8x10 ⁹ cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹	
$so + so \longrightarrow so_2 + s$	< 10 ¹⁰ cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹	

A peak for $(SO)_2$ could not be seen in this experiment. The same reaction was studied by chemiluminescent techniques¹⁹¹ and the following data were reported:

	<u>Rate Constant at</u> 5x10 ⁻³ mm Hg & 298 °K	
0 + COS> CO + SO	4.2x10 ⁸ cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹	
S + 20 → SO ₂ + hՍ	6.0x10 ¹⁰ cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹	

Here, it was concluded that the reaction of sulfur monoxide with oxygen atoms proceeds by a two body radiative association because the intensity of the emitted light was independent of pressure between 0.001 and 0.020 mm Hg. Also, no emission was observed when the concentration of oxygen atoms was equal to or less than the carbonyl sulfide concentrations. Thrush and coworkers¹⁹² studied the after-glow of sulfur dioxide

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with radio frequency or a mild electric discharge. They varied pressures from 0.50 to 2.0 mm Hg using reactive species like NO, NO₂ and O₃ and reported the following:

	<u>Rate Constant at</u> 0.2 mm Hg & 298 ^o K
$SO + NO_2 \longrightarrow SO_2 + NO$	1.5x10 ¹² cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹
$SO + O_3 \longrightarrow SO_2 + O_2$	1.1x10 ⁹ cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹
SO + O SO₂ + hυ	3.2x10 ¹⁷ cm ³ mole ⁻¹ sec ⁻¹

They obtained an expression for the intensity of the sulfur dioxide after-glow: $I = 1.5 \times 10^8$ [O][SO] cm³mol⁻¹sec⁻¹ at a pressure between 0.25 and 3.00 mm Hg.^{192b}

The determination^{189,190} of the reactivity of sulfur monoxide shows that it is a very short-lived species even when no other reactive molecules are present. This was supported by Evans and coworkers.¹⁹³ In addition, Colin¹⁹⁴ studied the after-glow emission obtained by rapid pumping mixtures of oxygen and carbonyl sulfide through a microwave discharge and concluded the following about the electronic states of sulfur monoxide:

State of SO	НОМО	Relative Energy (Kcal. mole ⁻¹)	
¹ Σ ⁺	<u> </u>	29.2	
¹∆	_1/	18.6	
³ ∑-	1 1	0	

- c) C. J. Halstead and B. A. Thrush, ibid., A295, 380 (1966); d) A. Mckenzie and
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Theoretically, Moffitt¹⁹⁵ has concluded the same thing on the basis of molecular orbital calculations.

5.2 GENERATION

Sulfur monoxide was postulated as a reaction intermediate in several cases. The reaction of thionyl chloride with dimethyl sulfide,¹⁹⁶ 1,1-diarylethylene,¹⁹⁷ or phenylacetylene¹⁹⁷ yield monochlorodimethyl sulfide, 1,1-diaryl-2-chloroethylene, and 1-phenyl-1,2-dichloro- ethylene, respectively and sulfur monoxide was suggested as a product; however, there was no evidence presented. Sulfur monoxide was speculated to be a primary reaction intermediate in the reaction of trialkylphosphates with thionyl chloride (Scheme 62).¹⁹⁸



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Hartzell and Paige¹⁹⁹ showed that the pyrolysis of thiirane 1-oxides at temperatures over 100 °C yields the corresponding olefins (Scheme 63). Sulfur monoxide was assumed to be a product and the whole process was followed using mass spectrometry.



SCHEME 63

Saito¹⁷⁰ has suggested that sulfur monoxide was generated in the ${}^{3}\Sigma^{-}$ state in this decomposition, but his evidence was not convincing. Maccagnani and coworkers²⁰⁰ found that in contrast with ethylene episulfoxides and alkyl substituted episulfoxides, the aryl substituted sulfoxides liberate sulfur monoxide at lower temperatures, with respect to ethylene episulfoxide, yielding almost quantitatively and stereospecifically the corresponding olefins. In addition, they²⁰¹ demonstrated the transient formation of sulfur monoxide (Scheme 64).

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SCHEME 64

In the pyrolysis of dibenzothiophene 5,5-dioxide resulting in dibenzofuran, a rearrangement with loss of sulfur monoxide was reported (Scheme 65).²⁰²



SCHEME 65

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Also, sulfur monoxide was observed in the roasting of a rare earth sulfide in a nitrogen atmosphere at 300-800 °C.²⁰³ Fieser and Okumura²⁰⁴ suggested that sulfur monoxide is a product of the reaction of benzoin with thionyl chloride at room temperature giving benzil *via* a cyclic sulfite **164** (Scheme 66).



SCHEME 66

Moreover, the closely-related cyclic sulfite 165²⁰⁵ has been isolated and found to decompose to give benzil and sulfur monoxide (Scheme 67).





²⁰³ C. C. Bisi and A. Clevici, Gazz. Chim., 93, 1444 (1963).

²⁰⁴ L. F. Fieser and Y. Okumura, J. Org. Chem., 27, 2247 (1962).

²⁰⁵ Y. Okumura, J. Org. Chem., 28, 1075 (1963).

DeGroot and coworkers²⁰⁶ isolated enediol sulfite **166** as a stable solid, subsequently pyrolysis at 200 °C gave the diketone and presumably sulfur monoxide (Scheme 68).



SCHEME 68

In addition, DeJongh and Van Fossen²⁰⁷ reported that the predominant fragmentation pathway of *o*-phenylene sulfide is the loss of sulfur monoxide on either gas phase pyrolysis or electron-impact. The kinetics of decomposition of trithiol 1-oxide **167** were carefully studied.²⁰⁸ The generation of sulfur monoxide was postulated and the unstable intermediate dicyano-1,2-dithiete (**168**) led to the formation of dithiin **169** (Scheme **69**).

²⁰⁶ A. DeGroot, J. A. Boerma and H. Wynberg, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 347 (1968).

²⁰⁷ D. C. DeJongh and R. Y. Van Fossen, J. Org. Chem., 37, 1129 (1972).

²⁰⁸ H. E. Simmons, D. C. Blomstrom and R. D. Vest, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 84, 4772 (1962).





Oxidation of various thiazepinium salts 170,²⁰⁹ with peroxyacetic acid led to the formation of phenanthridizinium salts 171 and sulfur monoxide (Scheme 70).





Similarly, Galt and coworkers²¹⁰ have also oxidized thiazepin 172 to obtain the oxoacsidin 173 and presumably sulfur monoxide (Scheme 71).

a) C. K. Bradsher and J. W. McDonald, J. Org. Chem., 27, 4475 (1962); b)
C. K. Bradsher and J. W. McDonald, *ibid.*, 27, 4478 (1962); c) C. K. Bradsher and J. W. McDonald, *ibid.*, 27, 4482 (1962).

210 R. H. B. Galt, J. D. Loudon and A. D. B. Sloan, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 80, 1588 (1958).



SCHEME 71

Moreover, the monosulfoxide of 2,3,5-triphenyldithiadiene **174** is unstable at 90 °C in toluene giving 2,3,4-triphenylthiophene and sulfur monoxide (Scheme 72).²¹¹



SCHEME 72

Dorer and Salomon²¹² studied the photolysis of trimethylene episulfoxide 175 resulting in formation of ethylene, propylene, cyclopropane and presumably sulfur monoxide (Scheme 73).



SCHEME 73

211 H. H. Szmant and L. M. Alfonso, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 79, 205 (1957).

212 F. H. Dorer and K. E. salomon, J. Phys. Chem., 84, 3024 (1980).

Sulfinamide **176** is thermally unstable at room temperature and readily loses sulfur monoxide, yielding quantitatively the corresponding pyrole **177** (Scheme 74).²¹³



Ar = *p*-nitrophenyl; 2,6-dimethylphenyl; phenyl

SCHEME 74

Recently, Glass and Jung²¹⁴ reported that thermal decomposition of *cis*- and *trans*-2,3-di(*p*-methoxyphenyl)-2,3-diphenyl thiirane 1-oxide gave the corresponding olefin with moderate stereospecificity and presumably sulfur monoxide. It was also demonstrated²¹⁵ rather convincingly that sulfur monoxide is an intermediate species in the dechlorination of thionyl chloride with metals.

In addition, the isolation of simple derivatives of sulfur monoxide was reported in the literature. Meuwsen and Gebhardt²¹⁶ isolated a compound which was probably "diethylacetal of sulfur monoxide". Goehring and Messner²¹⁷ reported that the material they isolated is the oxime of sulfur monoxide and a compound which is isomeric with it. The isolated compounds are unstable and decompose to a brown material thought to be a polymer. Garcia-Fernandez²¹⁸ prepared some inorganic selenium and tellurium compounds

- 214 R. S. Glass and W. Jung, Sulfur Lett., 17, 183 (1994).
- a) P. W. Schenk and H. Triebel, Z. anorg. allg. Chem., 229, 3056 (1956); b)
 E. Gruner, *ibid.*, 212, 393 (1933); c) R. A. Hubbard and W. F. Luder, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 73, 1327 (1951).
- 216 A. Meuwsen and H. Gebhardt, Chem. Ber., 69, 937 (1936).
- 217 M. Goehring and J. Messner, Z. anorg. allg. Chem., 268, 47 (1952).
- 218 H. Garcia-Fernandez, Compt. Rend., 258, 2579 (1964).

<sup>a) H. Hogeveen, R. F. Kingma and D. M. Kok, J. Org. Chem., 47, 1910 (1982);
b) K. S. Fongers, H. Hogeveen and R. F. Kingma,</sup> *ibid.*, 48, 4275 (1983).

which may contain sulfur monoxide as a ligand (*vide infra* Results and Discussion Section, Chapter 7).

Most recently, we reported that thiirane 1-oxides 178 and 179 derived from adamantylideneadamantane thiirane $(116)^{166}$ and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane thiirane $(117)^{167}$ by the oxidation with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid decomposed completely to the corresponding olefins 108 and 115, respectively, and sulfur monoxide (Scheme 75).



SCHEME 75

CHAPTER 6

EPISULFOXIDES (THIIRANE 1-OXIDES)

INTRODUCTION

STRUCTURES, SYNTHESIS, REACTIONS AND MECHANISMS

6.1 INTRODUCTION

In general, hetero three-membered ring compounds are highly reactive. This is because these compounds have high molecular strain and consequently, the hetero atomcarbon bond, which has a relatively low bonding energy is easily cleaved.

This principle has been applied to many organic transformations, such as the reactions which extend a carbon chain by the means of an epoxide,²¹⁹ synthesis of the compounds which have two functional groups on the β -position using ring-opening of aziridine or episulfides²²⁰ and ring-opening polymerization.²²¹

Thiirane 1-oxide (180), thiirane 1,1-dioxide (181) as well as the unusual compounds thiirene 1-oxide (182) and thiirene 1,1-dioxide (183) exist.



219 M. S. Kharasch and O. Reinmuth, "Grignard Reagents of Nonmetallic Substances", Prentice-Hall, 1954, p. 961.

- 220 L. A. Paquette, "Principles of Modern Heterocyclic Chemistry", Benjamin, 1968, p. 25.
- 221 P. Sigwalt, "Ring-Opening Polymerization", Marcel Dekker, 1969, p. 191.

In these compounds, the oxygen atom is not in the plane of the three-membered ring. Therefore, they show new reactivity which is totally different from that of an epoxide and they are expected to react differently from epoxides.

In these series of compounds, **181** is well-known. It was synthesized by reacting diazo compounds with sulfur dioxide.²²² Later, it received attention as an intermediate of the Ramberg-Bäcklund reaction.²²³ Compound **182** was first reported by Carpino.²²⁴ In addition, compound **183** was synthesized by the same group.²²⁵

Along with this research, the synthesis of compound **180** has been also tried by several groups. However, at the beginning, oxidation could not be stopped at **180** or **181** and only sulfonic acid derivatives²²⁶ or polyethylene sulfone²²⁷ were obtained.

The first synthesis of **180** appeared in a patent in 1955.²²⁸ In 1965, Dittmer and Levy²²⁹ reported the synthesis of dibenzoylstilbene episulfoxide. In the next year, Hartzell and Paige^{199a} reported the oxidation of ethylene episulfide by sodium periodate. Since then, these compounds are available.

- 228 S. B. Soloway, U.S. Patent, 2,694,073, 1954; Chem. Abstr., 49, 3465 (1955).
- 229 D. C. Dittmer and G. C. Levy, J. Org. Chem., 30, 636 (1965).

²²² H. Staudinger and F. Pfenninger, Chem. Ber., 49, 1941 (1916).

²²³ L. A. Paquette, Acc. Chem. Res., 1, 209 (1968).

²²⁴ L. A. Carpino and H-W. Chen, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 93, 786 (1971).

²²⁵ L. A. Carpino and L. V. McAdams III, R. H. Rynbrandt and J. W. Spiewak, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 93, 476 (1971).

²²⁶ M. Sander, Chem Rev., 66, 297 (1966).

²²⁷ G. Hesse, E. Reichold and S. Majmudar, Chem. Ber., 90, 2106 (1957).

6.2 STRUCTURES OF EPISULFOXIDES

Ethylene episulfoxide (EESO) has received considerable attention with respect to its characterization because of its simple structure and symmetry. Microwave spectroscopic analysis,²³⁰ NMR, IR and Raman spectra²³¹ have been reported.

The structural parameters of EESO are shown in **Table 15** with a comparison to dimethyl sulfoxide (DMSO).²³²

	EESO	DMSO
S-O 1.483Å		1.477Å
C-S	1.822Å 1.810Å	
C-C	1. 5 04Å	-
O-S-C	111º01'	106°43'
C-S-C	48°46'	96°23'
C-C-S	65º77'	-
μ	3.72D	3.96D

Table	15:	Molecular	Structure	of	EESO	and	DMSO

<sup>a) S. Saito, Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn., 42, 663 (1969); b) W. F. White and J. E.
Wollrab, Chem. Phys. Lett., 3, 25 (1969).</sup>

^{a) R. W. Mitchell, F. A. Hartman and J. A. Merritt, J. Mol. Spectroscopy, 32, 388 (1969); b) M. Ohtsuru, K. Tori, M. Fukuyama, Tetrahedron Lett., 2877 (1970).}

²³² H. Hreizler and G. Dendl, Z. Naturforsch., 19A, 512 (1964).

In EESO, the CSC angle is about half of that of DMSO because it is a part of the three-membered ring. The dihedral angle in case of DMSO is 45° and in case of EESO is 67° as shown in **Figure 5**.



Figure 5: Dihedral Angles of EESO and DMSO

In addition, **Table 16** lists bond lengths and angles for the parent episulfoxide as well as data for its analogs episulfide, oxirane, episulfone, aziridine and phosphorane.

	X					
	O ²³³	NH ²³⁴	P ²³⁵	S ²³³	SO ²³⁰	SO ₂ ²³⁶
C-C	1.472	1.480	1.502	1.492	1.504	1.590
C-X	1.436	1.488	1.807	1.819	1.822	1.731
C-X-C	61°24'	-	47º24'	48°26'	48º26'	54°40'
с-с-х	59°18'	-	66°18'	65°48'	65°48'	62°40'

Table 16:Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for the Three-Membered Ring
Heterocycles

The sharp difference between the strain energy of cyclopropane and its heteroatom analogs is indicative of the higher degree of stabilization of the heterocyclic compounds by the π -electrons of the heteroatom. The above data shows that the three-membered ring of an episulfoxide is almost same as that of episulfide (*vide infra* Results and Discussion Section, Chapter 7).

Recently, we reported¹⁶⁶ the x-ray crystallographic structure of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (**116**) and adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (**178**).

Bond lengthes and bond angles for thiirane moiety of compound **116** are: $S-C_1 = 1.8455(19)$ Å; $S-C_{1'} = 1.8421(20)$ Å; $C_1-C_{1'} = 1.503(3)$ Å; $C_1-S-C_{1'} = 48.09(8)^{\circ}$; $S-C_1-C_{1'} = 65.83(10)^{\circ}$; $S-C_{1'}-C_1 = 66.07(10)^{\circ}$; $S-C_1-C_2 = 114.57(13)^{\circ}$; $S-C_{1'}-C_{2'} = 115.18(14)^{\circ}$.

G. Cunningham, Jr., A. W. Boyd, R. J. Myers, W. D. Gwinn and W. I. LeVan,
 J. Chem. Phys., 19, 676, (1951).

²³⁴ T. E. Turner, V. C. Fiora, W. M. Kendrick and B. L. Hicks, J. Chem. Phys., 21, 564, (1953).

M. T. Bowers, R. A. Beaudet, H. Goldwhike and R. Tang, J. Am. Chem. Soc.,
 91, 17 (1969).

²³⁶ Y. Nakano, S. Saito and Y. Morino, Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn., 43, 368 (1970).

Bond lengthes and bond angles for thiirane 1-oxide moiety of compound **178** are: $S_1-O_1 = 1.491(2)$ Å; $S_1-C_1 = 1.865(3)$ Å; $S_1-C_{11} = 1.860(2)$ Å; $C_1-C_{11} = 1.505(3)$ Å; $O_1-S_1-C_1 = 111.2(1)^\circ$; $O_1-S_1-C_{11} = 111.2(1)^\circ$; $C_1-S_1-C_{11} = 47.7(1)^\circ$; $S_1-C_1-C_{11} = 66.0(1)^\circ$

6.3 METHODS OF PREPARATION

6.3.1 OXIDATION OF EPISULFIDES

6.3.1.1 With Sodium Periodate

The first episulfoxide clearly described was episulfoxide **184** obtained in 1966 by Hatzell and Paige^{199a} through periodate oxidation of the well-known episulfide **185** (Scheme 76).





However, it is a low yield reaction because the use of methanol as a solvent makes the extraction difficult. In addition, certain kinds of substituted episulfoxides are so unstable that they can not be isolated. Furthermore, the episulfides of *cis-*, *trans-*9,10-octadecanoic acid and *cis-*13,14-docosanoic acid have been oxidized to the corresponding episulfoxides **186**, **187**, and **188**, respectively, with sodium periodate at room temperature.²³⁷ As a result, this method may be considered as a convenient method for the preparation of long chain fatty acid episulfoxides. Literature reports on the oxidation of short chain episulfoxides reveal the use of only very low temperatures for such a reaction.^{199a,238}

B. Y. Rao, C. V. N. Rao and M. R. Subbaram, J. Oil Technol. Ass. India, 6(1), 19 (1974).

²³⁸ N. J. Leonard, C. R. Johnson, J. Org. Chem., 27, 282 (1962).



6.3.1.2 With Hydrogen Peroxide

Hardy and coworkers²³⁹ reported that $H_2O_2-V_2O_5$ -*tert*-BuOH system can be used as an oxidizing reagent; however, this method is not good for unstable episulfoxides. In addition, Dittmer and Levy²²⁹ reported that the oxidation of dibenzoylstilbene episulfide with hydrogen peroxide in acetic acid gave the corresponding episulfoxide in good yield.

6.3.1.3 With Peroxy- or *m*-Chloroperoxybenzoic Acid

Kondo and coworkers²⁴⁰ reported a more general method of oxidation of episulfides. They performed the oxidation with the more versatile peroxybenzoic acid. Moreover, they²⁴¹ prepared and characterized several episulfoxides whose stereochemistry

²³⁹ F. E. Hardy, P. R. H. Speakman and P. Robson, *J. Chem. Soc.*, *Chem. Commun.*, 2334 (1969).

²⁴⁰ K. Kondo, A. Negishi and M. Fukuyama, Tetrahedron Lett., 2461 (1969).

²⁴¹ K. Kondo and A. Negishi, Tetrahedron, 27, 4821 (1971).

was assigned. In addition, they noticed that the stereochemical course of the oxidation is very sensitive to steric factors. For instance, they discovered that the oxidation of *cis*-stilbene and styrene episulfides afforded exclusively the corresponding *anti*-episulfoxides, and no trace of the *syn*.

Other authors,²⁴² found that in the reaction with propylene episulfide, peroxy- or *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid is the best oxidizing reagent and methylene chloride is the best solvent. 2,3-Diisopropylidene thiirane 1-oxide (189) was also obtained from the oxidation of the corresponding thiirane 190 with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (Scheme 77).²⁴³



SCHEME 77

6.3.1.4 With 3,3-Dimethyldioxirane

Recently, it was reported²⁴⁴ that *cis*- and *trans*-2,3-di(*p*-methoxyphenyl)-2,3diphenyl thiirane 1-oxides were obtained from the corresponding thiiranes upon the oxidation with 3,3-dimethyldioxirane. Although the products could not be isolated and purified, they could be characterized spectroscopically.

²⁴² C. R. Johnson and D. McCants, Jr., J. Am. Chem. Soc., 87, 1109 (1965).

²⁴³ W. Ando, Y. Haniu and T. Takata, *Tetrahedron*, **42**, 1989 (1986).

^{a) R. S. Glass and W. Jung, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 116, 1137 (1994); b) W. Adam and L. Hadjiarapoglou, Top. Curr. Chem., 164, 45 (1993); c) R. W. Murray, Chem. Rev., 89, 1187 (1989); d) W. Adam, Y.-Y. Chan, D. Cremer, J. Gauss, D. Scheutzow and M. Schindler, J. Org. Chem., 52, 2800 (1987); e) R. W. Murray and R. Jeyaraman, J. Org. Chem., 50, 2847 (1985).}

6.3.2 CYCLOADDITION REACTION OF DIAZO COMPOUNDS

6.3.2.1 With Sulfines

The possibility of a [2+3] cycloaddition of sulfines was first suggested by Zwanenburg and coworkers.²⁴⁵ They obtained relatively stable dichloro episulfoxide **191** from the reaction of sulfine **192** with diazo compounds and proposed that it arises from the initially formed cycloaddition product **193** by nitrogen elimination (**Scheme 78**).



SCHEME 78

Treatment of diarylsulfines with aryldiazomethanes produces episulfoxide **194** smoothly and in good yield.²⁴⁶ The formation of **194** takes place by a nucleophilic attack of diazocarbon at the sulfine sulfur providing a zwitterionic diazonium intermediate **195**, *via* an internal 1,3-elimination of nitrogen.



This proposed mechanism bears some analogy with the one that explains the formation of epioxides from ketones and diazo compounds. The above mechanism was also supported

a) B. Zwanenburg, L. Thijs and J. Strating, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 4461 (1969); b) L. Thijs, A. Wagenaar, E. M. M. Van Rens and B. Zwanenburg, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 3589 (1973).

246 B. F. Bonini and G. Maccagnani, Gazz. Chim. Ital., 105, 827 (1975).
by different groups.²⁴⁷ However, the formation of **194** *via* thiadiazoline 1-oxide intermediate **193** cannot be excluded.

6.3.2.2 With Thioketene 1-Oxides

Thioketene 1-oxides **196** react smoothly with diazopropane to give good yields of adduct **197** resulting from the [2+3] cycloaddition across the carbon-carbon double bond of the heterocumulene. The photolysis of this adduct in benzene or carbon tetrachloride results in rapid elimination of nitrogen and formation of episulfoxide **198** (Scheme **79**)²⁴⁸ (*vide infra* Results and Discussion Section, Chapter 7).





Most recently,¹⁶⁶ we reported that the oxidation of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116) with equimolar amounts of *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid in methylene chloride at 0 °C gave the corresponding adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178), in high isolated yield (99%) (Scheme 80).



SCHEME 80

²⁴⁷ B. F. Bonini and G. Maccagnani, Tetrahedron Lett., 3585 (1973).

E. Schaumann, H. Behr, G. Adiwidjaja, A. Tangerman, B. H. M. Lammerink and B. Zwanenburg, *Tetrahedron*, 27, 219 (1981).

In addition, bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179) was also produced from the reaction of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117) with *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid in methylene chloride. A 98% isolated yield was obtained (Scheme 81).¹⁶⁷



SCHEME 81

6.4 **REACTIONS OF EPISULFOXIDES**

6.4.1 With Dienes and Polyenes

There are many reactions which hetero three-membered ring compounds are converted into olefins by thermal elimination.²⁴⁹ Episulfoxide compounds also can be decomposed by heat and give sulfur monoxide and an olefin. The electronic ground state of sulfur monoxide has been shown to be in the triplet state by microwave optical analysis.²⁵⁰ The sulfur monoxide molecule can be regarded as an analog of the oxygen molecule.²⁵¹ Its half-life is so short that few reactions are known in which it was detected.

a) N. P. Neureiter, F. G. Brodwell, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 85, 1209 (1963); b) R.
D. Clark, G. K. Helmkamp, J. Org. Chem., 29, 1316 (1964); c) N. Tokura, T.
Nagai, S. Matsumura, J. Org. Chem., 31, 349 (1966); d) J. P. Freeman, W. H.
Graham, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 89, 1761 (1967); e) F. G. Brodwell, J. M.
Williams, Jr., E. B. Hoyt, Jr., B. B. Jarvis, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 90, 429 (1968).
S. Saito, Bull. Chem. Soc. Jpn., 42, 667 (1969).

251 P. W. Schenk, R. Steudel, Angew. Chem., Int. Ed. Engl., 4, 402 (1965).

Dodson and Sauers²⁵² were the first to show that sulfur monoxide generated *in situ* by thermolysis of thiirane 1-oxide **184** could be trapped by 1,3-dienes **62** and **199** in the form of 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxides **200** and **201** (Scheme 82), (Table 17).





Equimolar amounts of isoprene (202) and thiirane 1-oxide 184 in refluxing toluene gave 2,5-dihydro-3-methylthiolene 1-oxide (203),²⁵³ in moderate yield (Scheme 83), (Table 17).



SCHEME 83

253 P. Chao and D. M. Lemal, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 95, 920 (1973).

²⁵² R. M. Dodson and F. R. Sauers, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 1189 (1967).





a. ethylene episulfoxide (184); b. dibenzo[b,f][1.4.6]thiadiazepin 1-oxide (208)

c. bis(triphenylphosphine)sulfur monoxide palladium (210).



a. ethylene episulfoxide (184); b. dibenzo[*b*,*f*][1.4.6]thiadiazepin 1-oxide (208) c. bis(triphenylphosphine)sulfur monoxide palladium (210).

A low yield of 2,7-dihydrothiepin-4,5-diphenyl 1-oxide (204) was observed when 3,4-diphenyl-1,3,5-hexatriene (205) reacted with thiirane 1-oxide 184 (Scheme 84), (Table 17).²⁵⁴



SCHEME 84

254 R. M. Dodson and J. P. Nelson, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 1159 (1969).

The thermal reaction of cyclooctatetraene (206) and thiirane 1-oxide 184 in boiling xylene resulted in the formation of the cyclo adduct product 207 to which the *anti*-configuration was assigned (Scheme 85), (Table 17).²⁵⁵



SCHEME 85

Sulfur monoxide was extruded from dibenzo[b,f][1.4.6]thiadiazepin 1-oxide (208) in refluxing chloroform and trapped with 1,3-dienes to give 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide (Scheme 86), (Table 17).²⁵⁶



SCHEME 86

²⁵⁵ A. G. Anastassiou and B. Y. H. Chao, *ibid.*, 979 (1971).

²⁵⁶ Y. L. Chow, J. N. S. Tam and J. E. Blier., J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 1604 (1970).

The same authors²⁵⁶ suggested that episulfoxide 209 could be a logical intermediate from the thermal decomposition of sulfoxide 208 as shown in Scheme 86 above.

Recently, Heyke and coworkers²⁵⁷ reported that the bis(triphenylphosphine)sulfur monoxide palladium complex (210) can be used as a SO-source for the formation of 2,5dihydro-3,4-dimethylthiophene 1-oxide (200) from 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (Scheme 87), (Table 17).





6.4.2 With Alcohols and Thiols

6.4.2.1 In the Presence of a Catalyst

Episulfoxides react (acid catalyst)²⁵⁸ through activation by protonation of the sulfoxide followed by nucleophilic attack on a ring carbon. The sulfinic acid product is unstable and condenses to form various S-S bonded compounds (Scheme 88).

²⁵⁷ O. Heyke, A. Neher and I.-P. Lorenz, Z. anorg. allg. Chem., 23, 608 (1992).

<sup>a) A. Saleh and J. G. Tillett, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 2, 132 (1981); b) K.
Kondo, A. Negishi and I. Ojima, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 94, 5786 (1972); c) K.
Kondo, A. Negishi and G. Tsuchihashi, Tetrahedron Lett., 3173 (1969); d) G. E.
Manser, A. D. Mesure and J. G. Tillett, Tetrahedron Lett., 3153 (1968); e) J. R.
Shelton and K. E. Davis, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 89, 718 (1967); f) D. Barnard, J.
Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 4675 (1957).</sup>



6.4.2.2 Without a Catalyst

In 1974, Kondo and Negishi²⁵⁹ discovered that the thermal reaction of ethylene episulfoxide in methanol without an acidic catalyst afforded thiosulfinate **211** as a primary product, which rearranged into the disulfide **212** as a final product (Scheme 89).



SCHEME 89

²⁵⁹ K. Kondo and A. Negishi, Chem. Lett., 1525 (1974).

6.4.3 With Copper(II) Halides²⁶⁰

In general, sulfoxide compounds form stable complexes with heavy metal salts or transition metal complexes. However, ethylene episulfoxide forms 2:1 addition compounds only with tin(IV) chloride in quantitative yield (Scheme 90).



SCHEME 90

When ethylene episulfoxide (184) is added to a suspension of copper(II) halides in benzene solution, thiosulfonate 213 was obtained in good yield (Scheme 91).



X = CI (66%); X = Br (65%)

SCHEME 91

When the reaction was carried out in methylene chloride containing a trace amount of methanol, methyl β -haloethane sulfinate (214) was obtained as a sole product, in good yield (Scheme 92).

a) K. Kondo, A. Negishi and G. Tsuchihashi, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 2743 (1969); b)
R. A. Cotton and F. Francis, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 82, 2986 (1960); c) R. M.
Topping and N. Kharasch, J. Org. Chem., 27, 4353 (1962); d) J. K. Kochi, J.
Am. Chem. Soc., 84, 212 (1962).



6.4.4 With α -Halo Ethers

Vilsmaier and Hloch²⁶¹ reported that the reaction of ethylene episulfoxide (184) with α -halo ethers gave only sulfenate 215 (Scheme 93).





6.4.5 With Sulfenyl Halides

The reaction of ethylene episulfoxide (184) with ethanesulfenyl chloride in benzene was undertaken.^{260a} The resulting product was a mixture of thiosulfonates 216 (20%) and 217 (80%) (Scheme 94).





261 E. Vilsmaier and B. Hloch, Synthesis, 590 (1971).

6.4.6 With Dienone

Murray and coworkers²⁶² reported that the reaction of ethylene episulfoxide (184) with an equimolar amount of 2,3,4,5,6,6-hexamethyl-2,4-cyclohexadienone (218) afforded a good yield of 2,3,4,5,6,6-hexamethyl-7-thiabicyclo[2.2.1]hept-5-en-2-one 7-*anti*-oxide (219) (Scheme 95).



SCHEME 95

6.4.7 With Organolithium Compounds

The reaction of episulfoxides with organolithium compounds has been studied.²⁶³ For example, the reaction of methyllithium with stilbene episulfoxide (220) in the presence of methyl iodide leads to the formation of stilbene (221) with complete retention of configuration at the carbon skeleton, methylvinyl sulfoxide (222) and dimethyl sulfide (223) (Scheme 96).

 ²⁶² R. K. Murray, Jr., J. S. Polley, S. Abdel-Meguid and V. W. Day, J. Org. Chem.,
 42, 2127 (1977).

^{a) B. Bonini, G. Maccagnani and G. Mazzanti and P. Piccinelli,} *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 3987 (1979);
b) B. Bonini, G. Maccagnani and G. Mazzanti and P. Zani, *Gazz. Chim. Ital.*, 120, 115 (1990).



6.4.8 With Organometallic Compounds

Schenk and Müssig²⁶⁴ reported that 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane- η^5 cyclopentadienyl acetone iron(II) hexafluorophosphate (**224**) reacted with ethylene episulfoxide (**184**) to give 1,2-bis(diphenylphosphino)ethane- η^5 -cyclopentadienyl sulfur monoxide iron(II) hexafluorophosphate (**225**) in 63 % yield (Scheme 97).



SCHEME 97

6.4.9 With Thioketones

Thermolysis of stilbene episulfoxide (220) in the presence of thicketone 226 resulted in the formation of dithicane 1-oxides 227 and 228 in good yield.²⁶⁵

²⁶⁴ W. A. Schenk and S. Müssig, J. Organomet. Chem., 320, C23 (1987).

²⁶⁵ K. Kondo, M. Mastsumoto and A. Negishi, Tetrahedron Lett., 2131 (1972).



On the other hand, thermal decomposition of an alkyl substituted episulfoxide took place easily at room temperature to give a sulfinic acid ester through the formation of the sulfinic acid intermediates.²⁴¹

6.4.10 Other Methods

It was reported²⁶⁶ that pyridine N-oxide can be deoxygenated by episulfoxides to give the corresponding pyridine, the alkene and sulfur dioxide.

Dittmer and coworkers²⁶⁷ studied the photolysis and pyrolysis of dibenzoylstilbene episulfoxide (229). They found that benzil (230) and monothiobenzil (231) can be formed (Scheme 98).





²⁶⁶ B. Bonini, G. Maccagnani and G. Mazzanti and P. Pedrini, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 1799 (1979).

²⁶⁷ a) D. C. Dittmer, G. C. Levy, G. E. Kuhlmann, J. Chem. Soc., Chem Commun., 2793 (1967); b) D. C. Dittmer, G. E. Kuhlmann and G. C. Levy, J. Org. Chem., 35, 3676 (1970).

In addition, thermolysis of ethylene episulfoxide (184) has been studied²⁶⁸ by flash vacuum thermolysis field ionization mass spectrometry²⁶⁹ in the temperature range 1043-1404 °K (Scheme 99).



SCHEME 99

Evidence was presented that the ring enlargement product 1,2-oxathietane (232) is being formed alongside atomic oxygen extrusion and sulfur monoxide elimination. The extrusion of atomic oxygen from organic sulfoxides has been previously reported.²⁷⁰

6.5 MECHANISM OF THERMAL DECOMPOSITION OF EPISULFOXIDES

Hartzell and Paige^{199b} favor a two step mechanism in which a dipolar intermediate loses its stereochemical integrity prior to decomposing into sulfur monoxide and an olefin. In contrast Baldwin and coworkers²⁷¹ observed that the stereochemistry of the decomposition decreases with increasing temperature and favored a biradical intermediate in the decomposition. Other authors²⁷² also observed that the temperature of decomposition has a strong influence on the stereochemical course of the elimination of the sulfur monoxide. In addition, Kondo and coworkers²⁶⁵ concluded that the thermal fragmentation of episulfoxides to afford an olefin and sulfur monoxide proceeds stepwise through a biradical intermediate (**Scheme 100**).

²⁶⁸ L. Carlsen and H. Egsgaard, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 2, 279 (1982).

²⁶⁹ L. Carlsen and H. Egsgaard, Thermochim. Acta., 38, 47 (1980).

²⁷⁰ L. Carlsen, H. Egsgaard and D. N. Harpp, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans. 2, 116 (1981).

²⁷¹ J. E. Baldwin, G. Holfe and S. C. Choi, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 93, 2810 (1971).

²⁷² M. G. L. Aalbersberg and K. P. C. Volhard, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 99, 2792 (1977).



Finally, Lemal and Chao²⁷³ examined the stereochemistry of sulfur monoxide addition to the three isomeric 2,4-hexadienes. With each of the dienes, a mixture of isomeric thiophenes was obtained with a high degree of stereoselectivity and regiospecificity. The authors²⁷³ ruled out a direct attack of thiirane 1-oxide on the diene because they noticed that the rate of decomposition of thiirane 1-oxide is not increased by raising the diene concentration. Because the reaction proceeds at essentially the same rate in acetonitrile as in toluene, the authors favored a biradical mechanism of extrusion of sulfur monoxide (Scheme 101).

²⁷³ D. M. Lemal and P. Chao, J. Am. Chem. Soc., 95, 922 (1973).



In the above **Scheme**, rotation about the partial double bond C-3 and C-4, and intersystem crossing (isc) must occur before a product can form. They suggested that the stereoselectivity in these reactions may result from the torsional stiffness of the C-2, C-3 bond (estimated 6-10 kcal mole⁻¹ barrier) due to the interaction between the C-3 p-orbital and sulfur monoxide group. Such interaction, whether direct^{199b,271} or indirect, may lower the torsional barrier for the C-3, C-4 bond. All in all, the literature results generally support a biradical mechanism of extrusion of sulfur monoxide (*vide infra* Results and Discussion Section, Chapter 7).

Most recently, we reported¹⁶⁶ the synthesis of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) and studied its thermal decomposition in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3butadiene (62) or 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199) and with variation of solvents, temperature, time and concentration. Sulfur monoxide was trapped and 2,5dihydrothiophene 1-oxide 200 or 201 was isolated in each case in an optimized yields of 70-80% (Scheme 102), (Table 18). In addition, adamantylideneadamantane (108) was also recovered quantitatively.



Also, we discovered that sulfur monoxide can be trapped from 178 with other dienes (isoprene 202 or myrcene 41) to give the corresponding 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide 203 or 233, respectively, in good isolated yields¹⁶⁷ (Scheme 103), (Table 18).



SCHEME 103

Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide 179 was also prepared and used as a SO-source for the trapping of sulfur monoxide with different 1,3dienes 62, 199, 202 or 41 to give the corresponding 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxides 200, 201, 203 or 233, respectively, in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration¹⁶⁷ (Scheme 104), (Table 18).







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SCHEME 104

conjugated diene	origin of SO	solvent	temp. (°C)	product	yield (%)
H ₃ C	а	toluene	110	H ₃ C H ₃ C	80
H ₃ C H ₃ C	b	toluene	110	H ₃ C H ₃ C	82
Ph Ph	а	toluene	110	Ph Ph Ph	70
Ph Ph	b	toluene	110	Ph Ph Ph	73
H ₃ C	а	toluene	110	H H ₃ C	69
H H ₃ C	b	toluene	110	H H ₃ C	72

a = adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) b = bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179)

Table 18: continued



a = adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) b = bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179)

CHAPTER 7

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

There is a considerable interest in finding simple chemical methods to generate and examine the chemistry of reactive diatomic molecules such as singlet diatomic oxygen $({}^{1}O_{2})$,²⁷⁴ singlet diatomic sulfur $({}^{1}S_{2})$,⁶³ as well as related species such as **R-P=S**,²⁷⁵ **R-P=Se**,²⁷⁶ **R-N=S**,²⁷⁷ **R-N=O**,²⁷⁸ and **R-N=Se**.²⁷⁹ Relatively little studied has been carried out on the chemistry of sulfur monoxide (**S=O**).²⁸⁰

- a) H. Bock, M. Kremer, B. Solouki, M. Binnewies and M. Meisel, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 9 (1992); b) P. L. Folkins, B. R. Vincent and D. N. Harpp, Tetrahedron Lett., 32, 7009 (1991).
- 276 D. S. Bohle, C. E. F. Rickard, W. R. Roper and P. Schwerdtfeger, Organometallics, 9, 2068 (1990).
- a) L. N. Markovskii, A. V. Solov'es, V. V. Pen'kovskii, N. P. Kolesnik, A. V. Borodin, S. V. Iksanova and Y. G. Shermolovich, *Zh. Org. Khim.*, 28, 1388 (1992); b) M. Takahashi, R. Okazaki, N. Inamoto, T. Sugawara and H. Iwamura, *J. Am. Chem. Soc.*, 114, 1830 (1992); c) M. R. Bryce and J. N. Heaton, *Tetrahedron Lett.*, 32, 7459 (1991).
- a) G. W. Kirby and M. Nazeer, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans 1, 13, 1387 (1993);
 b) T. Gilchrist and A. Lemons, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans 1, 13, 1391 (1993);
 c) H. Felber, G. Kresze, F. P. Schmidtchen, R. Prewo and A. Vasella, Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem., 3, 261 (1993).
- 279 M. R. Bryce and A. Chesney, J. Chem. Soc., Chem. Commun., 195 (1995).
- 280 Further references for hetero Diels-Alder reactions are found in D. L. Boger and S. N. Weinreb, "Hetero Diels-Alder Methodology in Organic Synthesis", Academic Press, San Diego, 1987.

A. H. Frimer, Singlet O₂, CRC Press, Inc., Boca Raton Florida, 1995

The main method of generation of S=O is by the pyrolysis of ethylene episulfoxide (184) at *ca*. 100 °C.^{170,199} Other less-used methods of S=O production have involved the thermal decomposition of sulfoxide 175,²¹² and heterocycle 208.²⁵⁶ Diene and triene trapping experiments with S=O have been carried out by a number of workers;^{252,254} the main product is Diels-Alder adduct 234 (Scheme 105) in yields generally in the 20-40% range (Table 17).



SCHEME 105

The work of Lemal focused primarily on the mechanistic features of this trapping process,^{253,273} although he indicated isoprene (**202**) can be trapped to give 2,5-dihydro-3-methylthiolene 1-oxide (**203**) in 72% isolated yield.²⁵³ A recent, less direct route for the Diels-Alder trapping of **S=O** has been carried out *via* complex **210**.²⁵⁷

In order to further explore this chemistry, a more convenient source of sulfur monoxide (S=O) was needed. We found that this can be achieved by thermal decomposition of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) and bicyclo[3.3.1]-nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179).

Thiirane 1-oxides 178 and 179 can be prepared from the oxidation of the corresponding thiiranes with *m*-CPBA in high isolated yield (92%). The later can be synthesized from the reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride 65 (or its thio 61 and dithio 70 homolog) with the corresponding olefins in high isolated yield (95%).

7.1 SYNTHESIS OF ADAMANTYLIDENEADAMANTANE THIIRANE (116) AND BICYCLO[3.3.1]NONYLIDENEBICYCLO[3.3.1]NONANE THIIRANE (117)

7.1.1 FROM TRIPHENYLMETHANESULFENYL CHLORIDE (65)

Thiiranes 116 and 117 were prepared by the reaction of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) with the corresponding olefins in methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) solution under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The reaction was stirred for a certain time. Chromatography on silica gel afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from the appropriate solvent gave a pure product of the corresponding thiirane in high, isolated yield (**Table 19**). In addition, chlorotriphenylmethane was also isolated in each case (*ca.* 58%).

Table 19:Episulfides 116 and 117 From Triphenylmethanesulfenyl
Chloride (65): Melting Points, Reaction Times and %
Isolated Yields

Entry	Thiirane	Time (h)	%Yield	Mp. (°C)
116	S	6	88	142-143
117	S S	5	86	166-167

The most probable mechanism for the formation of thiirane 116 in the reaction of sulfenyl chloride 65 with olefin 108 is shown in Scheme 106.



SCHEME 106

7.1.2 FROM TRIPHENYLMETHANETHIOSULFENYL CHLORIDE (61)

A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) in methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) was added dropwise at room temperature to a stirred solution of olefin 108 or 115 in CH_2Cl_2 . The reaction was stirred for a certain time under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography on silica gel afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from the appropriate solvent gave a pure product of the corresponding thiirane in high, isolated yield (Table 20). In addition, elemental sulfur was isolated (*ca.* 52%) along with chlorotriphenylmethane (*ca.* 45%).

Table 20:Episulfides 116 and 117 From Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl
Chloride (61): Melting Points, Reaction Times and % Isolated
Yields

Entry	Thiirane	Time (h)	%Yield	Mp. (°C)	
116	S	4	92	142-143	
117	S S	4	91	166-167	

A reasonable pathway explaining the formation of thiirane 116 in the reaction of thiosulfenyl chloride 61 with olefin 108 is shown in Scheme 107.

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SCHEME 107

7.1.3 FROM TRIPHENYLMETHANEDITHIOSULFENYL CHLORIDE (70)

A solution of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (70) in methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) was added dropwise to a stirred solution of olefin 108 or 115 in CH_2Cl_2 at room temperature. The reaction was stirred for a certain time under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography on silica gel afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from the appropriate solvent gave a pure product of the corresponding thiirane in high, isolated yield (Table 21). In addition, elemental sulfur was isolated (*ca.* 55%) along with chlorotriphenylmethane (*ca.* 68%).

Table 21: Episulfides 116 and 117 From TriphenylmethanedithiosulfenylChloride (70): Melting Points, Reaction Times and % IsolatedYields

Entry	Thiirane	Time (h)	%Yield	Mp. (°C)	
116	S	3	91	142-143	
117	S S	3.5	90	166-167	

The most probable pathway for the formation of thiirane 116 in the reaction of dithiosulfenyl chloride 70 with olefin 108 is shown in Scheme 108.





The structure of episulfides 116 and 117 was established by ${}^{1}H$ and ${}^{13}C$ NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.

In addition, the x-ray crystallographic structure of **116** was reported¹⁶⁶ for the first time. The ORTEP¹²³ drawing of thiirane **116** is shown in **Figure 6**. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in **Table 22**.







Bond Lengths (Å)				
S-C(1)	1.8455(19)			
C(1)-C(2)	1.525(3)			
C(1)-C(1')	1.503(3)			
Bond A	ngles (°)			
C(1)-S-C(1')	48.09(8)			
S-C(1)-C(2)	114.57(13)			
S-C(1)-C(1')	65.83(10)			
C(2)-C(1)-C(6)	109.32(16)			
C(2)-C(1)-C(1')	122.30(16)			
Dihedral Angles (°)				
C(1')-S-C(1)-C(2)	-116.0(1)			
S-C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	170.6(2)			
S-C(1)-C(1')-C(6')	104.8(1)			
S-C(1)-C(2)-C(10)	-70.2(1)			

Table 22:Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for
Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane (116)

Thiiranes 116 and 117 prepared in this maner can be stored at room temperature for a long time with no apparent decomposition or loss in yields during their oxidation to the corresponding episulfoxides.

Thermal decomposition of episulfides 116 and 117 in refluxing ethyl acetate for 15 h under a nitrogen atmosphere afforded the corresponding olefins 108 and 115 respectively, in a yield of 98% along with elemental sulfur (68%). In addition, 116 and 117 were completely decomposed when the mixture was refluxed for 2 h in toluene solution.

When the above reactions were carried out in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3butadiene (62), the same products were obtained (elemental sulfur and an olefin). No evidence was found for the trapping of diatomic sulfur by diene 62. It would appear that the concatenation mechanism of sulfur loss from episulfides is operative.^{23a}

Episulfide **116** was previously prepared by Nakayama and coworkers¹⁶⁰ from the treatment of elemental sulfur with olefin **108**, but the yield was low. The authors¹⁶⁰ reported that, episulfide **116** contained 10 peaks in the ¹³C NMR spectra and the Mp. was 153-154 °C.

In contrast, we found that thiirane **116** shows only 7 peaks in ¹³C NMR spectra. This can be explained by the fact, revealed by x-ray analysis, that there is a plane of symmetry passing through S, C₁, C₄, C₇ and C₈ (**Figure 6**). This symmetry makes C₂ and C₆; C₃ and C₅; C₉ and C₁₀ equivalent. In addition, we found that episulfide **116** has lower Mp. (142-143 °C) than previously reported by Nakayama.¹⁶⁰

The assignments of ¹³C NMR chemical shifts relative to tetramethylsilane of episulfides are reported in **Table 23**. The carbon atoms were identified using the following numbering system.



Entry	C1	C2,C3	C4,C5	C6,C7	C8	C9	C10
116	71.70	38.62	38.41	37.78	34.95	27.70	27.12
117	70.43	34.76	33.76	31.92	21.26	20.75	-

Table 23: Assignments of ¹³C Chemical Shifts for Episulfide Adducts116 and 117

7.2 SYNTHESIS OF ADAMANTYLIDENEADAMANTANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (178)

Thiirane 1-oxide 178 was prepared by *m*-CPBA oxidation of episulfide 116 in methylene chloride solution under a nitrogen atmosphere at -78 °C. Recrystallization from *n*-pentane gave a pure product of thiirane 1-oxide 178 in an isolated yield of 99% (Scheme 80).



SCHEME 80

The structure of thiirane 1-oxide 178 was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR, mass spectrometry as well as by x-ray analysis.

The electron impact mass spectrum of thiirane 1-oxide 178 is discussed below and the fragmentation pattern is shown in Figure 7.





m/z = 268

Figure 7: Mass Spectral Fragmentation Pattern for Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178)

The signal at m/z = 316 corresponds to the molecular ion. When the molecule fragments, the loss of an oxygen atom gives a signal at m/z = 300. Further loss of a sulfur atom results in a signal at m/z = 268, which corresponds to the mass of the starting olefin **108**.

In parent episulfoxides, typical C-C bond lengths fall in the range 1.37\AA to 1.60\AA and C-S bonds range from 1.37\AA to 1.92\AA . The C-C bond length in thiirane 1-oxide **178** is 1.505\AA , which suggests the presence of a partial double bond character, since a typical sp³-sp³ C-C bond length is about 1.55\AA and a C=C bond length is 1.34\AA . The bond lengths of S-O; C-S and bond angles of C-S-C; C-C-S and O-S-C in the three-membered ring moiety of episulfoxides **178** and **184** where found to be quite similar as can be seen from **Tables 15** and **24**.

The x-ray crystallographic structure of 178 was reported¹⁶⁶ for the first time. The ORTEP¹²³ drawing of thiirane 1-oxide 178 is shown in Figure 8. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 24.





Figure 8: ORTEP Representation of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178)

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Bond Lengths (Å)				
S(1)-O(1)	1.491(2)			
S(1)-C(1)	1.865(3)			
C(1)-C(11)	1.505(3)			
C(1)-C(2)	1.515(4)			
Bond Angles (°)				
C(1)-S(1)-C(11)	47.7(1)			
S(1)-C(1)-C(11)	66.0(1)			
O(1)-S(1)-C(1)	111.2(1)			
S(1)-C(1)-C(2)	113.7(2)			
Dihedral Angles (°)				
S(1)-C(1)-C(11)-C(16)	102.9(2)			
O(1)-S(1)-C(1)-C(2)	16.4(2)			
O(1)-S(1)-C(11)-C(1)	99.8(2)			
C(1)-S(1)-C(11)-C(16)	-116.7(2)			

Table 24:Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for
Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178)

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It is noteworthy to mention that we performed an x-ray analysis of a sample expected to be thiirane 1-oxide 178. A structure of adduct 235 was observed which formed an interaction between thiirane 1-oxide 178 and triphenylmethanecarbinol through hydrogen-bonding.



It would be noted that, ¹³C NMR shows this product to be pure. We feel that the finding of the triphenylmethanecarbinol was a coincidental choice of crystals containing a small impurity.

Triphenylmethanecarbinol was obtained from the hydrolysis of chlorotriphenylmethane during the separation of the crude product mixture by column chromatography.

The ORTEP¹²³ drawing of adduct **235** is shown in Figure 9. Selected bond lengths and angles are given in Table 25.





Bond Le	Bond Lengths (Å)					
S(1)-O(1)	1.509(3)					
S(1)-C(1)	1.868(4)					
C(1)-C(11)	1.512(5)					
O(1)-H	1.91(4)					
O(2)-H	0.87(4)					
Bond Angles (°)						
C(1)-S(1)-C(11)	47.7(2)					
S(1)-C(1)-C(11)	66.1(2)					
O(1)-S(1)-C(1)	109.8(2)					
S(1)-O(1)-H	133.6(14)					
O(1)-H-O(2)	177.0(4)					
Dihedral	Angles (°)					
S(1)-C(1)-C(11)-C(12)	102.6(4)					
O(1)-S(1)-C(1)-C(2)	17.0(3)					
O(1)-S(1)-C(11)-C(1)	99.2(2)					
C(1)-S(1)-C(11)-C(12)	-116.9(4)					

Table 25: Selected Bond Lengths and Bond Angles for Adduct 235

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7.3 SYNTHESIS OF BICYCLO[3.3.1]NONYLIDENEBICYCLO[3.3.1]NONANE-THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (179)

Thiirane 1-oxide 179 was prepared in the same way as that of 178. Thiirane 117 was reacted with *m*-CPBA in methylene chloride solution at -78 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere to give thiirane 1-oxide 179 in high isolated yield (98%) (Scheme 81).



SCHEME 81

The structure of thiirane 1-oxide **179** was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.

The electron impact mass spectrum of thiirane 1-oxide 179 is discussed below and the fragmentation pattern is shown in Figure 10.



Figure 10: Mass Spectral Fragmentation Pattern for Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179)

The signal at m/z = 292 corresponds to the molecular ion. When the molecule fragments, the loss of an oxygen atom gives a signal at m/z = 276. Further loss of a sulfur atom results in a signal at m/z = 244, which corresponds to the mass of the starting olefin 115.

In contrast to thiirane **116**, we found that thiirane 1-oxide **178** shows 10 peaks in ¹³C NMR spectra. This can be explained by x-ray analysis which revealed that the tetrahedron geometry of the sulfur atom shows the chemical shifts for all of the carbon atoms in the adamantyl-skeleton moiety to be different (Figure 8).

The assignments of ¹³C NMR chemical shifts relative to tetramethylsilane of thiirane 1-oxides **178** and **179** are reported in **Table 26**. The carbon atoms were identified using the following numbering system.



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Entry	C1	C2	С3	C4	C5	C6	C7	C8	C9	C10
178	72.88	37.62	37.56	37.20	37.12	36.16	30.02	27.58	27.39	27.02
179	71.52	32.35	31.31	30.78	30.34	30.07	27.45	21.38	21.28	-

Table 26: Assignment	of 13	3C	Chemical	Shifts	for	Thiirane	1-	Oxides	178	and	179
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7.4 TRAPPING OF SULFUR MONOXIDE (SO) FROM THERMAL DECOMPOSITION OF THIRANE 1-OXIDES 178 AND 179

In the literature there are only three reaction systems reported which generate and trap sulfur monoxide in the presence of 1,3-dienes; the yields are low. Moreover, these methods have some limitations.

The major problem in the case of Dodson,^{252,254} Lemal,²⁵³ Chao²⁵⁵ and Heyke²⁵⁷ procedures is that ethylene episulfoxide (184) is unstable at room temperature, has a vile odor and causes burns on contact with the skin.

In the case of the procedure of $Chow^{256}$ the most important limitation is in the preparation of sulfoxide **208**; in addition, the authors could not isolate the corresponding episulfoxide **209** which they thought could have been obtained from the thermolysis of sulfoxide **208** (Scheme 86). The yield of the trapped adduct was low in each case. It is noteworthy to mention that *trans*-2,3-diphenyl thiirane 1-oxide has been shown to transfer sulfur monoxide to ylides in low (11-19%) yield.²⁸¹

In contrast, thiirane 1-oxides 178 and 179 are very stable even if they are exposed to the atmospheric moisture for several days. They are crystalline and easy to prepare. In addition, we found that sulfur monoxide can be easily generated and trapped smoothly in high, isolated yields to form 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide through thermal decomposition of 178 and 179 in the presence of 1,3-dienes.

7.4.1 GENERAL PROCEDURE

The general procedure used for the reaction of thiirane 1-oxides with 1,3-dienes is as follows: a solution of the diene and thiirane 1-oxide in an appropriate solvent was refluxed for a certain time under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15 to 25% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent.

The first fraction was isolated in near quantitative yield by the same eluent and was identified as the corresponding olefin (108 from 178; 115 from 179). By eluting with

²⁸¹ B. F. Bonini, G. Maccagnani, G. Mazzanti, P. Pedrini and P. Piccinelli, J. Chem. Soc., Perkin Trans 1, 1720 (1979).

methanol, the second fraction was isolated and identified as the corresponding 2,5dihydrothiophene 1-oxides as oily, pure products. The yields are quite high compared to those in the literature.

7.4.2 2,3-DIMETHYL-1,3-BUTADIENE (62): FORMATION OF 2,5-DIHYDRO-3,4-DIMETHYLTHIOPHENE 1-OXIDE (200)

7.4.2.1 FROM ADAMANTYLIDENEADAMANTANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (178)

The reaction of equimolar amounts of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) and thiirane 1-oxide 178 in toluene solution gave an oily product of 2,5-dihydro-3,4-dimethyl-thiophene 1-oxide (200) in 74% isolated yield (Scheme 109). The identity of sulfoxide 200 was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.





The decomposition was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions hoping to maximize the yield of the trapped adduct 200. When the reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, adduct 200 was trapped and isolated in an optimized yield of 80% (Table 27).

Re	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	10 days	N. R.
1:1	EtOAc	77	10 days	N. R.
1:1	CH ₃ CN	81	10 days	N. R.
1:1	Toluene	80	10 days	N. R.
1:3	Toluene	110	12 h	73
1:1	Toluene	110	12 h	74
3:1	Toluene	110	12 h	80
1:3	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	8 h	30
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	8 h	30
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	8 h	33
1:3	Xylene	138	8 h	32
1:1	Xylene	138	8 h	34
3:1	Xylene	138	8 h	37

Table 27:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) with Adamantylidene-
adamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178)

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Re	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:3	Decane	135	8 h	33
1:1	Decane	135	8 h	34
3:1	Decane	135	8 h	36
1:1	Decane	174	5 h	12
3:1	Toluene	110	8 h	70
3:1	Toluene	110	16 h	76
3:1	Xylene	110	12 h	69
3:1	Xylene	138	12 h	35
3:1	Xylene	138	20 h	10
3:1	Xylene	138	35 h	0
3:1	Decane	110	12 h	67

- R^e refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide 178 to 2,3-dimethyl-1,3butadiene (62).
- * refers to 2,5-dihydro-3,4-dimethylthiophene 1-oxide (200).

7.4.2.2 FROM BICYCLO[3.3.1]NONYLIDENEBICYCLO[3.3.1]NONANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (179)

The reaction of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) with an equimolar amount of thiirane 1-oxide 179 in toluene solution gave an oily product of 2,5-dihydro-3,4-dimethylthiophene 1-oxide (200) in 71% isolated yield (Scheme 110). The structure of sulfoxide 200 was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.



SCHEME 110

The decomposition was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions hoping to maximize the yield of the trapped adduct **200**. When the reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, adduct **200** was trapped and isolated in an optimized yield of 82% (**Table 28**).

Rf	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	7 days	N. R.
1:1	EtOAc	77	7 days	N. R.
1:1	Toluene	80	8 days	N. R.
1:3	Toluene	110	8 h	75
1:1	Toluene	110	8 h	71
3:1	Toluene	110	8 h	82
1:3	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	5 h	39
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	5 h	34
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	5 h	45
1:3	Xylene	138	5 h	40
1:1	Xylene	138	5 h	36
3:1	Xylene	138	5 h	46
1:1	Decane	174	4 h	17

Table 28:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) with Bicyclo[3.3.1]-
nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179)

R^f refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide **179** to 2,3-dimethyl-1,3butadiene (**62**).

* refers to 2,5-dihydro-3,4-dimethylthiophene 1-oxide (200).

7.4.3 2,3-DIPHENYL-1,3-BUTADIENE (199): FORMATION OF 2,5-DIHYDRO-3,4-DIPHENYLTHIOPHENE 1-OXIDE (201)

7.4.3.1 FROM ADAMANTYLIDENEADAMANTANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (178)

The reaction of 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199) with an equimolar amount of thiirane 1-oxide 178 was carried out in toluene solution. Chromatography of the crude product gave 64% of pure 2,5-dihydro-3,4-diphenylthiophene 1-oxide (201) (Scheme 111). The structure of sulfoxide 201 was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.





The decomposition was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in a variety of ways (**Table 29**).

Rg	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	%Yield*
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	10 days	N. R.
1:1	EtOAc	77	10 days	N. R.
1:1	CH ₃ CN	81	10 days	N. R.
1:1	Toluene	80	10 days	N. R.
1:1	Toluene	110	24 h	64
1:3	Toluene	110	24 h	65
3:1	Toluene	110	24 h	70
3:1	Toluene	110	72 h	70
1:1	C ₆ H₅Cl	132	15 h	25
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	15 h	27
1:1	Xylene	138	15 h	26
3:1	Xylene	138	15 h	29

Table 29:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199) with Adamantylidene-
adamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178)

- **Rg** refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide **178** to 2,3-diphenyl-1,3butadiene (**199**).
- * refers to 2,5-dihydro-3,4-diphenylthiophene 1-oxide (201).

7.4.3.2 FROM BICYCLO[3.3.1]NONYLIDENEBICYCLO[3.3.1]NONANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (179)

The reaction of 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199) with an equimolar amount of thiirane 1-oxide 179 was carried out in toluene solution. Chromatography of the crude product gave 68% of pure 2,5-dihydro-3,4-diphenylthiophene 1-oxide (201) (Scheme 112). The identity of sulfoxide 201 was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.



SCHEME 112

The decomposition was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in a variety of ways (**Table 30**).

Table 30:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199) with Bicyclo[3.3.1]-
nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179)

R ^h	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	8 days	N. R.
1:1	EtOAc	77	8 days	N. R.
1:1	Toluene	80	8 days	N. R.
1:3	Toluene	110	12 h	70
1:1	Toluene	110	12 h	68
3:1	Toluene	110	12 h	73
3:1	Toluene	110	36 h	75
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	8 h	32
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	8 h	38
1:1	Xylene	138	8 h	33
3:1	Xylene	138	8 h	40

R^h refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide 179 to 2,3-diphenyl-1,3butadiene (199).

* refers to 2,5-dihydro-3,4-diphenylthiophene 1-oxide (201).

7.4.4 ISOPRENE (202): FORMATION OF 2,5-DIHYDRO-3-METHYL-THIOLENE 1-OXIDE (203)

7.4.4.1 FROM ADAMANTYLIDENEADAMANTANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (178)

Equimolar amounts of isoprene (202) and thiirane 1-oxide 178 were boiled in toluene solution for 25 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave 58% of pure 2,5-dihydro-3-methylthiolene 1-oxide (203) (Scheme 113). The identity of sulfoxide 203 was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.





When the reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, adduct 203 was trapped and isolated in an optimized yield of 69% (Table 31).

Table 31:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
Isoprene (202) with Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane
1-Oxide (178)

R ⁱ	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:1	Toluene	80	10 days	N. R.
1:3	Toluene	110	36 h	62
1:1	Toluene	110	36 h	58
3:1	Toluene	110	36 h	69
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	20 h	30
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	20 h	35
1:1	Xylene	138	20 h	33
3:1	Xylene	138	20 h	40
3:1	Xylene	110	36 h	64
3:1	Decane	135	20 h	37
3:1	Decane	174	20 h	12

Rⁱ refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide **178** to isoprene (202).

* refers to 3-methyl-2,5-dihydrothiolene 1-oxide (203).

7.4.4.2 FROM BICYCLO[3.3.1]NONYLIDENEBICYCLO[3.3.1]NONANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (179)

Equimolar amounts of isoprene (202) and thiirane 1-oxide 179 were boiled in toluene solution for 20 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. Chromatography of the crude product gave 61% of pure 2,5-dihydro-3-methylthiolene 1-oxide (203) (Scheme 114). The structure of sulfoxide 203 was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.





When the reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, adduct 203 was trapped and isolated in an optimized yield of 72% (Table 32).

Table 32:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
Isoprene (202) with Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo-
[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179)

Rj	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:1	Toluene	80	6 days	N. R.
1:3	Toluene	110	20 h	66
1:1	Toluene	110	20 h	61
3:1	Toluene	110	20 h	72
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	15 h	32
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	15 h	38
1:1	Xylene	138	15 h	36
3:1	Xylene	138	15 h	43
3:1	Xylene	110	20 h	65
3:1	Decane	135	15 h	40
3:1	Decane	174	15 h	15

R^j refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide **179** to isoprene (**202**).

* refers to 3-methyl-2,5-dihydrothiolene 1-oxide (203).

7.4.5 MYRCENE (41): FORMATION OF 3-(4'-METHYL-3'-PENTENYL)-2,5-DIHYDROTHIOPHENE 1-OXIDE (233)

7.4.5.1 FROM ADAMANTYLIDENEADAMANTANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (178)

Equimolar amounts of myrcene (41) and thiirane 1-oxide 178 were carried out in toluene solution under reflux for 16 h. Chromatography on silica gel afforded 40% of pure 3-(4'-methyl-3'-pentenyl)-2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide (233) as an oily product (Scheme 115). The identity of sulfoxide 233 was confirmed by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.





When the reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, adduct 233 was trapped and isolated in an optimized yield of 52% (Table 33).

R ^k	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	10 days	N. R.
1:1	EtOAc	77	10 days	N. R.
1:1	CH ₃ CN	81	10 days	N. R.
1:1	Toluene	80	10 days	N. R.
1:3	Toluene	110	16 h	46
1:1	Toluene	110	16 h	40
3:1	Toluene	110	16 h	52
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	12 h	23
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	12 h	27
1:1	Xylene	138	12 h	22
3:1	Xylene	138	12 h	28
3:1	Xylene	110	16 h	48
3:1	Decane	135	12 h	30
3:1	Decane	174	8 h	15

Table 33:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
Myrcene (41) with Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane
1-Oxide (178)

R^k refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide **178** to myrcene (**41**).

* refers to 3-(4'-methyl-3'-pentenyl)-2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide (233).

7.4.5.2 FROM BICYCLO[3.3.1]NONYLIDENEBICYCLO[3.3.1]NONANE THIIRANE 1-OXIDE (179)

Equimolar amounts of myrcene (41) and thiirane 1-oxide 179 were carried out in toluene solution under reflux for 14 h. Chromatography on silica gel afforded 47% of pure 3-(4'-methyl-3'-pentenyl)-2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide (233) as an oily product (Scheme 116). The structure of sulfoxide 233 was established by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.



When the reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration, adduct 233 was trapped and isolated in an optimized yield of 55% (Table 34).

R ¹	Solvent	Temp. (°C)	Time	% Yield*
1:1	CHCl ₃	61	8 days	N. R.
1:1	EtOAc	77	8 days	N. R.
1:1	CH ₃ CN	81	8 days	N. R.
1:1	Toluene	80	8 days	N. R.
1:3	Toluene	110	14 h	52
1:1	Toluene	110	14 h	47
3:1	Toluene	110	14 h	55
1:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	10 h	26
3:1	C ₆ H ₅ Cl	132	10 h	30
1:1	Xylene	138	10 h	27
3:1	Xylene	138	10 h	34
3:1	Xylene	110	15 h	51
3:1	Decane	135	10 h	32
3:1	Decane	174	6 h	17

Table 34:Summary of Sulfur Monoxide Trapping Experiments of
Myrcene (41) with Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo-
[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179)

R¹ refers to the molar ratio of thiirane 1-oxide **179** to myrcene (**41**).

* refers to 3-(4'-methyl-3'-pentenyl)-2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide (233).

The assignments of relevant ¹³C NMR chemical shifts relative to tetramethylsilane of 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide adducts are reported in **Table 35**. The carbon atoms were identified using the following numbering system.



Table 35:Assignments of Relevant ¹³C Chemical Shifts for 2,5-Dihydrothiophene 1-Oxide Adducts

Entry	C1	C2	C3	C4
200	64.32	126.07	-	-
201	64.46	125.01	-	-
203	62.92	135.55	119.07	59.99
233	61.61	139.87	123.93	59.68

As mentioned earlier, ethylene episulfoxide (184) has been shown to decompose at a temperature of 110 °C to ethylene and sulfur monoxide.¹⁹⁹ This fact was used in a system designed to add sulfur monoxide to unsaturated hydrocarbons.²⁵² Episulfoxide 184 and substituted dienes when refluxed in toluene (110-112 °C) were found to transfer sulfur monoxide *in situ* and to produce the appropriately substituted 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide as a major product but the yields were quite low (*ca.* 40%).

In contrast, we found that thiirane 1-oxides **178** and **179** transfer sulfur monoxide to 1,3-dienes smoothly to give the corresponding 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide adducts in high isolated yields. Ratios of thiirane 1-oxides **178** or **179** to diene were varied from 1:3

to 3:1 with relatively little change in yields (**Table 27-34**). Interestingly, the choice of solvent is critical; no decomposition either of **178** nor of **179** took place over 10 days in refluxing chloroform, ethyl acetate or acetonitrile (T = 61 °C, 77 °C, 81 °C respectively).

The best conditions for the release of sulfur monoxide and its subsequent trapping (*ca.* 82% isolated) appear to be in refluxing toluene (110 °C) for 12 h in the case of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) with thiirane 1-oxide 178 (Table 27) and 8 h in the case of thiirane 1-oxide 179 (Table 28).

At 110 °C in decane and xylene, yields of the trapping adduct **200** were *ca*. 68% (**Table 27**). In refluxing xylene (138 °C), the yield diminished to 35% implying decomposition of the diene adduct **200**. When a pure sample of **200** was heated in refluxing xylene for 20 h, only 10% remained. This confirms the retro chelotropic decomposition; diene adduct **200** decomposed completely in 35 h in refluxing xylene (*ca*. 138 °C) (**Table 27**).

It is noteworthy to mention that, Lemal²⁷³ found that when ethylene episulfoxide (184) was reacted with each of the three 2,4-hexadiene isomers, mixtures of *cis,cis-*, *cis,trans-*, and *trans,trans-*2,5-dihydro-2,5-dimethylthiophene 1-oxides (236, 237, 238 respectively) were formed. While there was significant stereoselectivity, Lemal concluded that because of the formation of multiple sulfoxide isomers in each reaction, the thermal decomposition of episulfoxide 184 proceeds *via* a biradical intermediate in the triplet state.



We found that thiirane 1-oxide **178** reacts with 2,4-hexadiene (a mixture of isomers, Aldrich), and gives a 85% yield of the *trans,trans*-2,5-dihydro-2,5-dimethyl-thiophene 1-oxide (**238**); there appears to be the only one product. Therefore, we conclude this lack of stereospecificity strongly implicates a triplet, biradical intermediate and full isomerization has taken place.

CONCLUSIONS AND ORIGINAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO KNOWLEDGE

The synthesis of a new series of di- and trithio compounds *via* triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride 65 (or its thio 61 and dithio 70 homolog) has been investigated.

It was concluded that the triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) addition to bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66) proceeds *via* initial formation of an episulfonium ion intermediate, which is then opened to a dithio adduct 68.

The stereochemistry of 1,2-addition products [*endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (**68**) and *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (**69**)] has been determined by x-ray analysis and revealed the regiochemistry of adduct **68**; the symmetry of adduct **69** permits only one isomer.

We discovered that pyrolysis of di- and trithio reagents *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclohexane (74) and *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (76) in the presence of 2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62), affords products that are consistent with the trapping of diatomic sulfur in the form of cyclic tetrasulfide 1,2,3,4tetrathia-6,7-dimethyl-6-cyclooctene (64). Adduct 64 was formed in good, overall yield.

Tetrasulfide **64** can be converted quantitatively to disulfide adduct 1,2-dithia-4,5dimethyl-4-cyclohexene (**63**) by an *in situ* treatment with triphenylphosphine (**141**); as a result, this methodology serves to a transfer two sulfur unit to a diene in over 50% isolated yield.

The x-ray crystal structure of compounds 68, 69, 75 and 76 was reported^{64,65} for the first time.

We discovered that triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride 65 (or its thio 61 and dithio 70 homolog) are a versatile reagents for synthesis of stable episulfides, adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116) and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117) in high isolated yields (92%).

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Oxidation of episulfides 116 and 117 with *m*-CPBA gave novel episulfoxides, adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) and bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179), respectively in 99% isolated yield. Thiirane 1-oxides 178 and 179 are crystalline, stable and easy to prepare compared to what is known in the literature.

Thermal decomposition of thiirane 1-oxides 178 and 179 in refluxing toluene provides a convenient method for the generation and trapping of sulfur monoxide in the presence of various 1,3-diene [2,3-dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62), 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199), isoprene (202) and myrcene (41)]; to give the corresponding 2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide adducts in high isolated yields (*ca.* 80%).

The x-ray crystal structures of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116) and adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) were reported¹⁶⁶ for the first time. The identity of compounds 116, 117, 178, 179, 200, 201, 203 and 233 was determined by ¹H and ¹³C NMR as well as by mass spectrometry.

CHAPTER 8

EXPERIMENTAL

8.1 GENERAL PROCEDURES

Commercially available reagents were obtained from Aldrich Chemical Company (Milwaukee, WI 53233 USA) and used directly except as indicated.

2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene and isoprene were stored at -15 °C over molecular sieves. The *m*-chloroperoxybenzoic acid (*m*-CPBA) was purified by washing the commercial 80-85% or 50-60% material with a phosphate buffer, drying, filtering and evaporating at reduced pressure. The solid was then recrystalized from methylene chloride to afford 99% *m*-CPBA.²⁸² Sulfur dichloride (SCl₂) was purified according to Fieser and Fieser.²⁸³ Sulfur dichloride was distilled twice over 0.1% phosphorus pentachloride (PCl₅) and the fraction boiling at 58-60 °C (lit.²⁸³ 59 °C) was collected. The red liquid was used immediately. Sulfur monochloride (S₂Cl₂) was also purified according to Fieser and Fieser.²⁸³ Sulfur monochloride was distilled twice from a mixture of sulfur and charcoal and the fraction boiling at 137-139 °C was collected. The orange liquid was used immediately. Sulfuryl chloride (SO₂Cl₂) was distilled immediately before use.

Hexanes were distilled from concentrated sulfuric acid (H_2SO_4) and passed through an alumina column before use. Tetrahydrofuran (THF) was distilled from the blue sodiumbenzophenone ketyl and used directly. Methylene chloride (CH_2Cl_2) was distilled from anhydrous phosphorus pentoxide (P_2O_5) and stored over 3Å molecular sieves.²⁸⁴ Benzene

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and toluene were stored over metallic sodium. All other solvents were stored over 3\AA molecular sieves. Molecular sieves were activated by heating at 400 °C overnight and cooled in a desiccator before use. Petroleum ether was low boiling 35-60 °C unless otherwise stated. Ether in all cases refers to anhydrous diethyl ether (C₂H₅OC₂H₅).

Column chromatography was performed using Merck Kieselgel 60 (230-400 mesh) and Fisher Scientific Neutral Alumina (80-200 mesh). In both cases, flash column procedures²⁸⁵ were used. Chromatographic solvent mixtures are volume/volume (v/v) percentages. Experiments requiring inert atmosphere were done under nitrogen.

Thin Layer Chromatography (TLC) was performed on 0.25 mm Merck silica gel plates (60F-254) with polyester backing and visualized by UV light and/or dipping in a solution of ammonium molybdate (2.5 g) and cerium sulfate (1.0 g) in 10% v/v aqueous sulfuric acid (100 mL).

Proton nuclear magnetic resonance (¹H-NMR) spectra were recorded at 200 MHz (Varian XL-200, Varian Gemini-200), at 300 MHz (Varian XL-300), or at 270 MHz (JEOL 270-CPF) spectrometers. ¹³C-NMR spectra were recorded on the same instruments (50.3, 67.9, and 75.4 MHz, respectively). In both cases, deuteriochloroform (CDCl₃) was used as the reference solvent unless otherwise indicated. ¹H- and ¹³C-NMR chemical shifts are quoted in parts per million, δ (ppm), relative to tetramethylsilane (TMS, 0 δ) used as an internal standard. The spectra are recorded as: shift, multiplicity and integration. Multiplicity assignments are recorded using the following abbreviations: s for singlet; d for doublet; t for triplet; q for quartet; m for multiplet and br. for broad.

Melting points (Mp.) were obtained in open capillaries on a Gallenkamp melting point apparatus and are uncorrected.

Low resolution impact (EI) mass spectra were obtained using a Dupont Instrument 21-492B equipped with a 70-eV ionizing energy source and used in direct-inlet mode. The analysis of the spectra was reported according to the following: mass of charge ratio (m/z); relative intensity; assignment.

Elemental analysis were carried out by Guelph Chemical Laboratories Ltd. (Guelph, Ontario, Canada).

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The x-ray crystallography of compounds **68**, **69** and **116** was performed by Dr. Rosemary C. Hynes; the x-ray crystallography of compounds **75**, **76**, **178** and **235** was performed by Dr. Anne-Marie Lebuis at the Department of Chemistry, McGill University, Montreal, Quebec, Canada. ORTEP drawings were obtained using the ORTEP - A Fortran Thermal Ellipsoid Plot Program.¹²³

8.2 EXPERIMENTAL PROCEDURES

8.2.1 Preparation of Triphenylmethanethiol (85)



Triphenylmethanethiol was prepared from triphenylmethanol.⁷² Hydrogen sulfide gas was passed through a suspension of triphenylmethanol (60 g, 0.23 mol) in 200 mL of glacial acetic acid containing 1 mL of concentrated sulfuric acid. Hydrogen sulfide gas addition was stopped when no yellow color remained. The resulting mixture was flushed with nitrogen and treated with 350 mL of distilled water to precipitate the product. The solution was filtered and the solid was washed twice with 200 mL of water. Recrystallization from acetone gave a white crystalline solid of triphenylmethanethiol (**85**) (50 g, 79%). Mp. 106-107 °C (lit.⁷² Mp. 107 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.1 (s, 1H) and 7.22-7.30 (m, aryl-H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 62.75, 126.80, 127.70, 129.28 and 147.01 ppm.

8.2.2 Preparation of Triphenylmethanesulfenyl Chloride (65)



Sulfuryl chloride (19.5 g, 145 mmol) was added slowly by a syringe to a stirred solution of triphenylmethanethiol (85) (20 g, 72.5 mmol) in 50 mL of toluene and 225 mL of anhydrous ether. The solution was maintained near 0 °C. The reaction vessel was sealed and as the solution was stirred for 2 h at 0 °C; a yellow solid crystallized. The

heterogeneous mixture was treated with toluene (300 mL) leading to a homogeneous solution which was washed with water (600 mL), a 1:1 mixture of saturated NaHCO₃/H₂O and saturated NaCl/H₂O (200 mL). The solution was dried with MgSO₄ and upon the removal of the volatile solvents under reduced pressure, a yellow solid resulted. Recrystallization from a chloroform *tert*-butanol mixture afforded 18 g, 76% of pure triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65). Mp. 136-137 °C (lit.⁷² Mp. 137 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.30 (m, aryl-H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 72.12, 127.86, 128.20, 129.92 and 141.78 ppm.

8.2.3 Preparation of Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiol (85) (12 g, 44.1 mmol) in 100 mL of anhydrous ether was slowly added to a stirred solution of sulfur dichloride (6.14 g, 60.15 mmol) in 75 mL of anhydrous ether under a nitrogen atmosphere at -78 °C. The addition time was 1.5 h during which an orange-yellow precipitate formed in the reaction flask. The mixture was warmed to ambient temperature, concentrated to 30 mL under reduced pressure and the solid was separated by filtration and stored at -15 °C. Recrystallization from *n*-hexane gave an orange solid of pure triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (6.54 g, 73%). Mp. 91-92 °C (lit.⁷³ Mp. 91-93 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.36 (m, aryl-H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 77.62, 127.66, 128.10, 130.55 and 142.23 ppm.



Triphenylmethanethiol (85) (5.47 g, 20 mmol) was dissolved in 100 mL of anhydrous ether to form a yellow solution which was added dropwise during 1 h to a stirred solution of disulfur dichloride (3.35 g, 25 mmol) in 75 mL anhydrous ether under a nitrogen atmosphere at -78 °C. The mixture was warmed to ambient temperature and concentrated to 30 mL under reduced pressure. Crystallization took place upon cooling at -15 °C for 48 h. After filtration an orange solid was recovered and identified as triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (70) (4.92 g, 65%). Mp. 76-77 °C (lit.⁷⁴ Mp. 76-78 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.18 (m, aryl-H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 74.70, 127.21, 128.13, 130.08 and 142.45 ppm.

8.2.5 Preparation of N,N'-Dithiobis(phthalimide) (239)



A solution of sulfur monochloride (3.35 g, 25 mmol) in 10 mL of methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred suspension of potassium phthalimide (8.8 g, 50 mmol) in 50 mL of CH_2Cl_2 under a nitrogen atmosphere at 0 °C. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded a colorless precipitate. After recrystalization of the crude product from chloroform, large colorless needles of N,N'-dithiobis(phthalimide) (239)

were obtained in a yield of 81%. Mp. 228-230 °C (lit.²⁸⁶ Mp. 230 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.95-8.13 (m, aryl-H) ppm.

8.2.6 Preparation of Phthalimido-N-Sulfenyl Chloride (105)



Chlorine gas was bubbled for 2.5 h (until the yellow color was discharged) through a stirred solution of N,N'-dithiobis(phthalimide) (239) (7.12 g, 20 mmol) in 40 mL of chloroform. The temperature was maintained between 50-60 °C. Nitrogen gas was passed through the mixture to remove any excess of chlorine. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure afforded yellow crystals of phthalimido-N-sulfenyl chloride (105) in a yield of 97%. Mp. 117-118 °C (lit.²⁸⁷ Mp. 117 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 7.75-8.15 (m, aryl-H) ppm.

8.2.7 Preparation of *endo*-2-Chloro-*exo*-1-(N-phthalimidothio)bicyclo-[2.2.1]heptane (107)



Phthalimido-N-sulfenyl chloride (105) (3.0 g, 14 mmol) was dissolved in 10 mL of methylene chloride to form a yellow solution which was added dropwise at room temperature to a solution of bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66) (1.60 g, 17 mmol) in 25 mL of

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CH₂Cl₂. The mixture was stirred until no yellow color remained. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure yielded 4.39 g, 100% of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(N-phthalimido-dithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (**107**) as colorless crystals. Mp. 113-114 °C (lit.¹¹⁰ Mp. 113 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.2-2.6 (m, 8H), 3.15-3.25 (m, 1H), 4.15-4.30 (m, 1H) and 7.65-7.95 (m, 4H) ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 307, 9%, M^{+.}; 271, 10%, M^{+.} -Cl; 179, 59%, M^{+.} -C₇H₈Cl; 160, 88%, M^{+.} -C₈H₅O₂N; 147, 65%, M^{+.} -C₇H₈SCl; 129, 36%, M^{+.} -C₈H₅O₂NS; 93, 100%, M^{+.} -C₈H₆O₂NSCl.

8.2.8 Preparation of exo-2,3-Epithionorbornane (102)



exo-2,3-Epithionorbornane (**102**)¹¹⁰ was prepared from *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(N-phthalimidodithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (**107**). A mixture of 1 mL of ethanol in 4 mL of tetrahydrofuran (THF) was added dropwise to a stirred suspension of lithium aluminum hydride (0.9 g) in 25 mL of dry THF at 0 °C under a nitrogen atmosphere. The mixture was subsequently cooled to -78 °C and *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(N-phthalimidodithio)bicyclo-[2.2.1]heptane (**107**) (4.2 g, 14 mmol) in 10 mL of THF was added dropwise to the stirred reducing agent for over 1.5 h. After stirring for an additional 10 min, the mixture was allowed to warm to room temperature and then quenched with water. Episulfide **102** was extracted with ether and dried with MgSO₄. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 5% chloroform in hexane as eluent gave 0.95 g, 56% of *exo*-2,3-epithionorbornane (**102**) as a pure, oily product. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.63 (d, 1H, J=10.26 Hz, anti-7H), 1.18 (d, 1H, J=10 Hz, syn-7H), 1.23-1.63 (m, 4H), 2.42 (br., 2H), 2.71 (m, 2H) ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 126, 77%, M⁺; 93, 100%, M⁺· -H₂S.


1,4-Dioxene (240) was prepared by the procedure of Moss and Paige.²⁸⁸ The spectral data are included here for completeness. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 4.05 (s, 4H) and 5.93 (s, 2H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 64.83 and 126.35 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 86, 100%, M⁺·; 58, 5%, M⁺· -C₂H₄.

8.2.10 Preparation of Cyclohexylidenecyclohexane (241)



Cyclohexylidenecyclohexane (241) was prepared by the procedure of McMurry, Fleming, Kees and Krepski.²⁸⁹ Potassium metal (1.82 g, 49 mmol) was added to a stirred slurry of TiCl₃ (2.15 g, 14 mmol) in 75 mL of dry THF under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. After refluxing for 40 min, the black mixture was cooled and a solution of cyclohexanone (0.343 g, 3.5 mmol) in 5 mL of THF was added. After the mixture was further refluxed for 24 h, the reaction was cooled to room temperature and filtered under an inert atmosphere. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with hexane as eluent, afforded a solid product of cyclohexylidenecyclohexane (241) (0.482 g, 83%). Mp. 53-54 °C (lit. Mp. 52-53 °C²⁸⁹, 53.5-54.5 °C²⁹⁰). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.18-2.12 (m, 8H) and 1.49-1.45 (m, 12H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 27.65, 29.20, 30.75 and 130.50 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 164, 99%, M⁺·; 82, 100%, M⁺· -C₆H₁₀.

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8.2.11 Reaction of Triphenylmethanesulfenyl Chloride (65) with Bicyclo-[2.2.1]heptene (66)



A solution of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) (1.97 g, 12.5 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66) (1.177 g, 12.5 mmol) in 25 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 20 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 10% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified upon treatment with 35-60 °C petroleum ether. Recrystallization from *n*-pentane gave 3.45 g, 63% of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68). Mp. 114-115 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.94-1.60 (m, 7H), 2.01-2.04 (m, 1H), 2.28-2.30 (m, 1H), 3.62-3.64 (m, 1H) and 7.19-7.46 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.83, 28.28, 35.11, 42.57, 44.82, 58.76, 66.41, 71.26, 126.94, 127.91, 130.18 and 143.74 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₂₆H₂₅ClS₂: C, 71.50; H, 5.73; S, 14.67. Found: C, 71.81; H, 5.82; S, 14.88. The xray crystallographic structure of dithio 68 was reported for the first time (Figure 1).

8.2.12 Production of *endo*-2-Chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo-[2.2.1]heptane (68) using *exo*-2,3-Epithionorbornane (102) as a Precursor

A solution of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) (1.97 g, 6.35 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of exo-2,3-epithionorbornane (102) (0.8 g, 6.35 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 3.5 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 10% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified upon treatment with 35-60 °C petroleum ether.

Recrystallization from *n*-pentane gave 2.0 g, 90% of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (**68**). Mp. 114-115 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.94-1.61 (m, 7H), 2.02-2.03 (m, 1H), 2.29-2.31 (m, 1H), 3.62-3.64 (m, 1H) and 7.20-7.47 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.83, 28.29, 35.11, 42.56, 44.81, 58.76, 66.41, 71.26, 126.95, 127.91, 130.18 and 143.74 ppm.





A solution of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) (1.94 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (67) (0.67 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 22 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 10% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified upon treatment with 35-60 °C petroleum ether. Recrystallization from *n*-hexane gave 1.70 g, 60% of *endo*-2-chloro*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69). Mp. 118-119 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.92-1.21 (m, 11H), 3.60 (m, 1H) and 7.20-7.55 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.61, 18.78, 24.98, 25.26, 28.71, 33.99, 55.86, 65.00, 71.16, 127.41, 128.32, 130.17 and 143.76 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₂₇H₂₇ClS₂: C, 71.94; H, 5.99; S, 14.21. Found: C, 71.85; H, 6.12; S, 14.32. The x-ray crystallographic structure of dithio **69** was reported for the first time (**Figure 2**).

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8.2.14 Reaction of Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61) with Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (4.29 g, 12.5 mmol) in 30 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo-[2.2.1]heptene (66) (1.18 g, 12.5 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 6 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 15% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified upon treatment with 35-60 °C petroleum ether. Recrystallization from *n*-pentane gave 4.74 g, 87% of *endo*-2-chloro*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68). Mp. 114-115 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.91-1.62 (m, 7H), 2.02-2.04 (m, 1H), 2.29-2.32 (m, 1H), 3.61-3.64 (m, 1H) and 7.20-7.46 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.85, 28.28, 35.10, 42.58, 44.83, 58.82, 66.40, 71.49, 126.94, 127.89, 130.16 and 143.73 ppm.

8.2.15 Reaction of Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61) with Bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (67)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (2.143 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo-[2.2.2]octene (67) (0.676 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 7 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 15% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified upon treatment with 35-60 °C petroleum ether. Recrystallization from *n*-hexane gave 2.31 g, 82% of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (**69**). Mp. 118-119 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.93-1.19 (m, 11H), 3.59 (m, 1H) and 7.18-7.56 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.59, 18.77, 25.0, 25.26, 28.70, 34.0, 55.87, 65.01, 71.16, 127.40, 128.34, 130.17 and 143.78 ppm.

8.2.16 Reaction of Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61) with Cyclohexene (72)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (2.143 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of cyclohexene (72) (0.513 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 5 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 20% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified under vacuum overnight. Recrystallization from *n*-hexane gave 2.38 g, 90% of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyl-dithio)cyclohexane (74). Mp. 103-104 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.85-2.11 (m, 9H), 3.70-3.85 (m, 1H) and 7.15-7.55 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.54, 22.75, 28.62, 32.76, 52.78, 62.26, 71.44, 127.00, 127.95, 130.18 and 143.77 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₂₅H₂₅ClS₂: C, 70.69; H, 5.89; S, 15.08. Found: C, 70.35; H, 6.08; S, 15.09.

8.2.17 Reaction of Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61) with Cyclopentene (71)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (2.143 g, 6.25 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of cyclopentene (71) (0.426 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 7 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 15% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified under vacuum overnight. Recrystallization from *n*-pentane gave 2.25 g, 88% of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyl-dithio)cyclopentane (73). Mp. 99-101 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.27-2.40 (m, 7H), 4.30-4.40 (m 1H) and 7.21-7.70 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.02, 28.89, 33.66, 55.25, 65.79, 71.38, 126.95, 127.85, 130.04 and 143.57. Anal. calc'd for C₂₄H₂₃Cl₂S₂: C, 70.18; H, 5.60; S, 15.59. Found: C, 70.65; H, 5.60; S, 16.02.

8.2.18 Reaction of Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61) with 1,4-Dioxene (240)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (0.477 g, 1.395 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of 1,4-dioxene (240) (0.12 g, 1.395 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 8 h. Removal of the solvent

under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 30% ethyl acetate in hexane, afforded an oily product of *trans*-2-chloro-3-(triphenylmethyldithio)-1,4-dioxane (**112**) (0.365 g, 61%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.38-3.50 (m, 2H), 3.58-3.61 (m, 1H), 4.11-4.20 (m, 2H), 5.31-5.36 (m, 1H) and 7.45-7.18 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 59.09, 59.73, 71.92, 88.16, 89.99, 127.66, 127.98, 130.01 and 143.23 ppm.

8.2.19 Reaction of Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61) with Cyclohexylidenecyclohexane (241)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (0.208 g, 0.609 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of cyclohexylidenecyclohexane (241) (0.10 g, 0.609 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 10 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 30% chloroform in hexane, afforded a solid product of *trans*-1'-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclohexyl (113) (0.208 g, 68%). Mp. 43-44 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.04-1.28 (m, 20H) and 7.29-7.15 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.72, 22.80, 23.88, 24.32, 25.39, 25.72, 26.06, 26.19, 33.73, 34.02, 59.81, 60.72, 72.74, 127.73, 127.84, 130.34 and 143.78 ppm. 8.2.20 Reaction of Triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl Chloride (70) with Cyclohexene (72)



A solution of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (**70**) (2.34 g, 6.25 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of cyclohexene (**72**) (0.512 g, 6.25 mmol) in 25 mL of dry CH₂Cl₂ under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 3 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 25% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified upon treatment with 35-60 °C petroleum ether. Recrystallization from *n*-hexane afforded 2.64 g, 92% of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (**76**). Mp. 138-139 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.30-1.71 (m, 6H), 2.11-2.21 (m, 2H), 2.83-2.85 (m, 1H), 3.99-4.03 (m, 1H) and 7.17-7.37 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 23.51, 23.88, 30.33, 34.30, 56.49, 61.51, 73.42, 127.14, 127.91, 130.37 and 143.33 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₂₅H₂₅ClS₃: C, 65.74; H, 5.48; S, 21.04. Found: C, 65.66; H, 5.72; S, 20.70. The x-ray crystallographic structure of trithio **76** was reported for the first time (**Figure 3**).

8.2.21 Reaction of Triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl Chloride (70) with Cyclopentene (71)



A solution of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (70) (2.34 g, 6.25 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of cyclopentene

(71) (0.426 g, 6.25 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 4 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 25% chloroform in hexane, afforded an oily product which solidified upon treatment with 35-60 °C petroleum ether. Recrystallization from *n*-pentane gave 2.54 g, 90% of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (75). Mp. 73-74 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.52-2.25 (m, 6H), 3.30-3.41 (m, 1H), 4.40-4.42 (m, 1H) and 7.22-7.43 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.07, 29.69, 34.33, 59.39, 65.08, 73.29, 127.21, 127.96, 130.34 and 143.23 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₂₄H₂₃ClS₃: C, 65.11; H, 5.19; S, 21.71. Found: C, 65.32; H, 5.10; S, 21.99. The x-ray crystallographic structure of trithio 75 was reported for the first time (**Figure 4**).

8.2.22 Reaction of Triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl Chloride (70) with Bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66)



A solution of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (70) (3.748 g, 10.0 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (0.94 g, 10.0 mmol) in 30 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 10 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 15% chloroform in hexane, permitted three fractions to be isolated and identified. The first fraction was isolated in a yield of 68% as an oily product of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (114). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.94-2.10 (m, 7H), 2.30-2.45 (m, 1H), 2.65-2.72 (m, 1H), 4.0-4.10 (m, 1H) and 7.25-7.60 (m, 15H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.81, 28.77, 35.64, 43.15, 44.52, 62.58, 66.38, 73.22, 126.88, 127.89, 130.32 and 143.26 ppm. The second fraction was isolated as an oily product and identified as exo-2,3-epithionorbornane (102) (0.25 g, 20%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 0.63 (d, 1H, J=10.26 Hz, anti-7H), 1.19 (d, 1H, J=10 Hz, syn-7H), 1.24-1.63 (m, 4H), 2.42 (br., 2H), 2.71 (m, 2H) ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 126, 77%, M⁺·; 93, 100%, M⁺·H₂S. The third fraction was isolated and identified as chlorotriphenylmethane (22%).

8.2.23 Thermal Chemistry of *endo*-2-Chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68)



A solution of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (**68**) (0.6 g, 1.48 mmol) in 20 mL of dry ethyl acetate was refluxed for 40 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (0.12 g, 68%) as an oily product and identified as di[(2-chloro)-1-norbornyl] tetrasulfide (**139**). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.22-2.09 (m, 6H), 2.51 (m, 2H), 3.15 (m, 1H) and 4.15 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.87, 28.90, 35.84, 43.50, 44.75, 62.59 and 66.77 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₁₄H₁₈Cl₂S₄: C, 43.44; H, 5.17; S, 33.10. Found: C, 43.58; H, 4.92; S, 33.04. Chlorotriphenylmethane was isolated (19%) along with starting material (15%), elemental sulfur (18%) and triphenylmethanethiol (21%). In addition, bicyclo[2.2.1] heptene (**66**) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 7%).

8.2.24 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *endo-2*-Chloro-*exo-1*-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.0125 g, 0.153 mmol) was added to a mixture of endo-2-chloro-exo-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68) (0.20 g, 0.458) mmol) in 35 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 25% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (25% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (35 mg, 59%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-norbornyl] tetrasulfide (139). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₂) δ: 1.22-2.09 (m, 6H), 2.52 (m, 2H), 3.14 (m, 1H) and 4.15 (m, 1H) ppm; ${}^{13}C$ -NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.88, 28.89, 35.85, 43.48, 44.75, 62.60 and 66.77 ppm. The second fraction was isolated and identified as the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct (64) (7.72 mg, 24%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.63 (s, 4H) and 1.79 (s, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.12 (CH₃); 42.76 (CH₂) and 130.33 (C=C) ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 210, 8%, M^{+.}; 146, 45%, M^+ -S₂; 82, 90%, M^+ -S₄; 67, 100%, M^+ -CH₃S₄. Cyclic disulfide 63 was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (ca. 6%). Starting material was isolated (10%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (25%), elemental sulfur (14%) and chlorotriphenylmethane (23%). In addition, bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene (66) was detected by ¹H NMR (ca. 5%).

8.2.25 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *endo-2*-Chloro-*exo-1*-(triphenylmethyltrithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (114) in the Presence of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)

2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.087 g, 1.06 mmol) was added to a mixture of endo-2-chloro-exo-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (114) (0.50 g, 1.08 mmol) in 30 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 10% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (10% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (60%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-norbornyl] tetrasulfide (**139**). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.21-2.09 (m, 6H), 2.53 (m, 2H), 3.14 (m, 1H) and 4.15 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.87, 28.89, 35.85, 43.48, 44.74, 62.61 and 66.77 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₁₄H₁₈Cl₂S₄: S , 33.10. Found: S, 33.26. The second fraction was isolated and identified as cyclic tetrasulfide adduct **64** in a yield of 15%. Cyclic disulfide **63** was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (*ca.* 4%). Starting material was isolated (16%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (27%), chlorotriphenylmethane (19%) and elemental sulfur (17%). In addition, bicyclo[2.2.1]heptene **(66)** was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 7%).

8.2.26 Thermal Chemistry of *endo*-2-Chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69)



A solution of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69) (0.6 g, 1.33 mmol) in 20 mL of dry ethyl acetate was refluxed for 42 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (0.11 g, 60%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-bicyclo[2.2.2]octyl] tetrasulfide (140). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.20-2.15 (m, 10H), 3.58 (m, 1H) and 4.02 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 19.27, 19.48, 25.36, 26.17, 30.61, 34.48, 61.55 and 64.96 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₁₆H₂₂Cl₂S₄: C, 46.29; H, 5.79; S, 30.86. Found: C, 46.10; H, 5.65; S, 30.63. Starting material was isolated (15%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (25%), chlorotriphenylmethane (21%) and elemental sulfur (15%). In addition, bicyclo[2.2.2]octene (67) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 6%).

8.2.27 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *endo-2*-Chloro-*exo-1*-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.0273 g, 0.333 mmol) was added to a mixture of *endo*-2-chloro-*exo*-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69) (0.45 g, 0.995 mmol) in 40 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 30% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (30% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (0.070 g, 51%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-bicyclo[2.2.2]octyl] tetrasulfide (140). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.20-2.13 (m, 10H), 3.58 (m, 1H) and 4.03 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 19.27, 19.50, 25.36, 26.17, 30.62, 34.46, 61.54 and 64.96 ppm. Cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 was isolated in a yield of 19%. Cyclic disulfide 63 was detected by ¹H NMR but in low yield (*ca.* 5%). Triphenylmethanethiol was isolated (23%) along with starting material (14%), chlorotriphenylmethane (21%) and elemental sulfur (18%). In addition, bicyclo-[2.2.2] octene (67) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 7%).

8.2.28 Thermal Chemistry of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclohexane (74)



A solution of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclohexane (74) (1.83 g, 4.0 mmol) in 20 mL of dry ethyl acetate was refluxed for 13 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were

separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (69%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (**79**). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.29-1.95 (m, 6H), 2.19-2.41 (m, 2H), 3.18-3.33 (m, 1H) and 4.19-4.25 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 23.88, 24.29, 30.61, 35.07, 56.99 and 61.70 ppm. Starting material was isolated (15%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (26%), chlorotriphenylmethane (23%) and elemental sulfur (18%). In addition, cyclohexene (**72**) was detected by ¹H-NMR (*ca.* 9%).

8.2.29 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclohexane (74) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.106 g, 1.20 mmol) was added to a mixture of trans-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclohexane (74) (1.65 g, 3.60 mmol) in 30 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 10 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent $(20\% \text{ CHCl}_3 \text{ in hexane})$, in which the first fraction was isolated (16%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (79). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.29-1.95 (m, 6H), 2.19-2.40 (m, 2H), 3.18-3.32 (m, 1H) and 4.19-4.25 (m, 1H) ppm; ${}^{13}C$ -NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 23.87, 24.29, 30.60, 35.07, 56.99 and 61.71 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₁₂H₂₂Cl₂S₄: C, 39.70; H, 5.51; S, 35.29. Found: C, 40.08; H, 5.33; S, 35.00. The second fraction was isolated and identified as cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 (58%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₂) δ: 3.63 (s, 4H) and 1.79 (s, 6H); 13 C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.13 (CH₃); 42.76 (CH₂) and 130.33 (C=C) ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 210, 7%, M+·; 146, 40%, M+· -S₂; 82, 93%, M⁺·-S₄; 67, 100%, M⁺·-CH₃S₄. Cyclic disulfide 63 was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (ca. 10%). Starting material was isolated (10%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (28%), chlorotriphenylmethane (18%) and elemental sulfur (17%). In addition, cyclohexene (72) was detected by ¹H-NMR (ca. 8%).

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields (**Table 10**).

8.2.30 Thermal Chemistry of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)-cyclohexane (76)



A solution of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (**76**) (0.923 g, 2.0 mmol) in 25 mL of dry ethyl acetate was refluxed for 8 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 25% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (25% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (65%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (**79**). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.29-1.94 (m, 6H), 2.19-2.40 (m, 2H), 3.18-3.33 (m, 1H) and 4.19-4.24 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 23.87, 24.29, 30.61, 35.06, 56.99 and 61.71 ppm. Chlorotriphenylmethane was isolated (21%) along with starting material (13%), triphenylmethanethiol (28%) and elemental sulfur (23%). In addition, cyclohexene (**72**) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 8%).

8.2.31 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (76) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.037 g, 0.44 mmol) was added to a mixture of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (76) (0.609 g, 1.32 mmol) in 20 mL

of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 10 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (15% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (12%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-cyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (**79**). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.29-1.95 (m, 6H), 2.19-2.41 (m, 2H), 3.18-3.33 (m, 1H) and 4.19-4.25 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 23.87, 24.29, 30.61, 35.08, 56.99 and 61.71 ppm. The second fraction was isolated and identified as cyclic tetrasulfide adduct **64** (63%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.63 (s, 4H) and 1.79 (s, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.12 (CH₃); 42.75 (CH₂) and 130.32 (C=C) ppm. Cyclic disulfide **63** was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (*ca.* 8%). Starting material was isolated (9%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (29%), elemental sulfur (24%) and chlorotriphenylmethanethiol (29%).

The decomposition was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in a variety of ways (**Table 11**).

8.2.32 Thermal Chemistry of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)-cyclopentane (73)



A solution of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclopentane (73) (1.045 g, 2.50 mmol) in 35 mL of dry ethyl acetate was refluxed for 8 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (65%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (78). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.56-2.09 (m, 4H), 2.26-2.58 (m, 2H), 3.73-3.88 (m, 1H) and 4.51-4.69 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.59, 30.23, 34.79, 59.59 and 65.36 ppm. Chlorotriphenylmethane was isolated (20%) along with starting material (12%), elemental sulfur (26%) and triphenylmethanethiol (24%). In addition, cyclopentene (71) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 8%).

8.2.33 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclopentane (73) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.12, 1.46 mmol) was added to a mixture of trans-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)cyclopentane (73) (1.80 g, 4.38 mmol) in 50 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 15 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (15% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (24%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (78). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 1.56-2.08 (m, 4H), 2.26-2.58 (m, 2H), 3.73-3.88 (m, 1H) and 4.51-4.69 (m, 1H) ppm; 13 C-NMR (CDCl₂) δ : 22.59, 30.22, 34.79, 59.59 and 65.35 ppm. Anal. calc'd for $C_{10}H_{16}Cl_2S_4$: C, 35.85; H, 4.78; S, 38.24. Found: C, 35.50; H, 4.49; S ,38.35. The second fraction was identified as the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 in a yield of 40%. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ: 3.64 (s, 4H) and 1.79 (s, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.12 (CH₃); 42.76 (CH₂) and 130.34 (C=C) ppm. Cyclic disulfide 63 was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (ca. 8%). Starting material was isolated (12%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (26%), chlorotriphenylmethane (21%) and elemental sulfur (18%). In addition, cyclopentene (71) was detected by ¹H-NMR (ca. 9%).

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields (**Table 12**). 8.2.34 Thermal Chemistry of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (75)



A solution of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (**75**) (0.884 g, 2.0 mmol) in 30 mL of dry ethyl acetate was refluxed for 7 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (15% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (67%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (**78**). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.56-2.08 (m, 4H), 2.26-2.58 (m, 2H), 3.73-3.89 (m, 1H) and 4.52-4.69 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.59, 30.21, 34.79, 59.59 and 65.34 ppm. Chlorotriphenylmethane was isolated (19%) along with starting material (10%), elemental sulfur (23%) and triphenylmethanethiol (27%). In addition, cyclopentene (**71**) was detected by ¹H NMR (*ca.* 6%).

8.2.35 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *trans*-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (75) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.0353 g, 0.43 mmol) was added to a mixture of *trans*-2-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (75) (0.57 g, 1.29 mmol) in 20 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 24 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 25% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (25% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (22%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(2-chloro)-1-cyclopentyl] tetrasulfide (78). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.55-2.08 (m, 4H), 2.26-

2.58 (m, 2H), 3.73-3.88 (m, 1H) and 4.51-4.69 (m, 1H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.59, 30.23, 34.79, 59.59 and 65.34 ppm. Anal. calc'd for C₁₀H₁₆Cl₂S₄: C, 35.85; H, 4.78; S, 38.24. Found: C, 35.88; H, 4.40; S, 38.53. The second fraction was isolated and identified as cyclic tetrasulfide adduct **64** (45%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.63 (s, 4H) and 1.79 (s, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.13 (CH₃); 42.75 (CH₂) and 130.32 (C=C) ppm. Cyclic disulfide **63** was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (*ca.* 9%). Starting material was isolated (8%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (30%), chlorotriphenylmethane (20%) and elemental sulfur (25%). In addition, cyclopentene (**71**) was detected by ¹H-NMR (*ca.* 6%).

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields (Table 13).

8.2.36 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *trans*-2-Chloro-3-(triphenylmethyldithio)-1,4-dioxane (112) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.0128 g, 0.0117 mmol) was added to a mixture of *trans*-2-chloro-3-(triphenylmethyldithio)-1,4-dioxane (112) (0.20 g, 0.0467 mmol) in 20 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 30 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 35% ethyl acetate in hexane as eluent. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel using the same eluent (35% EtOAc in hexane) afforded an oily product which was identified as the cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 (30%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.64 (s, 4H) and 1.79 (s, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.13 (CH₃); 42.76 (CH₂) and 130.32 (C=C) ppm. Cyclic disulfide 63 was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (*ca.* 4%). Starting material was isolated (14%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (24%), chlorotriphenylmethane (20%) and elemental sulfur (12%). In addition, 1,4-dioxene (240) was detected by ¹H-NMR (*ca.* 6%)

8.2.37 Trapping of Diatomic Sulfur From the Decomposition of *trans*-1'-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclohexyl (113) in the Presence of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.0135 g, 0.165 mmol) was added to a mixture of *trans*-1'-chloro-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclohexyl (113) (0.25 g, 0.494 mmol) in 25 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated (23%) as an oily product and identified as the acyclic di[(1'-chloro)-1-bicyclohexyl] tetrasulfide (242). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.32-1.39 (m, 20H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 22.20, 22.89, 22.93, 23.01, 24.46, 24.49, 25.74, 26.19, 33.65, 34.18, 50.11 and 60.70 ppm. The second fraction was isolated and identified as cyclic tetrasulfide adduct 64 (28%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.63 (s, 4H) and 1.78 (s, 6H); ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 18.12 (CH₃); 42.76 (CH₂) and 130.33 (C=C) ppm. Cyclic disulfide 63 was detected by ¹H NMR in low yield (*ca.* 4%). In addition, starting material was isolated (12%) along with triphenylmethanethiol (27%), elemental sulfur (14%) and chlorotriphenylmethane (22%).

8.2.38 Thermal Chemistry of Cyclic Tetrasulfide 64 in the Presence of Triphenylphosphine (141)



Triphenylphosphine (141) (0.142 g, 0.542 mmol) was added to a mixture of cyclic tetrasulfide 64 (0.057 g, 0.271 mmol) in 40 mL of dry diethyl ether. The solution

was refluxed for 3 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (15% CHCl₃ in hexane) afforded cyclic disulfide **63** as an oily product (91%). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.74 (s, 6H) and 3.19 (s, 4H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 20.81, 34.15 and 125.15 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 146, 75%, M⁺·; 82, 100%, M⁺· -S₂; 67, 82%, M⁺· -CH₃S₂. In addition, triphenylphosphine sulfide was isolated in a yield of 98%.

8.2.39 Preparation of Adamantylideneadamantane (108)



Adamantylideneadamantane was prepared by the procedure of McMurry, Fleming, Kees and Krepski.²⁸⁹ Potassium metal (3.84 g, 49 mmol) was added to a stirred slurry of titanium trichloride (TiCl₃) (4.30 g, 28 mmol) in 150 mL of dry tetrahydrofuran (THF) under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. After refluxing for 40 min the black mixture was cooled and a solution of adamantanone (1.05 g, 7.0 mmol) in 10 mL of THF was added and the mixture was further refluxed for 16 h. The mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered under an inert atmosphere. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with hexane, afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.75 g, 80% of adamantylideneadamantane (**108**). Mp. 184-186 °C (lit. Mp. 183-185 °C²⁸⁹, 184-187 °C²⁹¹). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.58-1.98 (m, 24H) and 2.91 (br., 4H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 28.89, 32.21, 37.68, 39.95 and 133.48 ppm . MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 268, 100%, M⁺.

²⁹¹ H. W. Geluk, Synthesis, 652 (1970).

8.2.40 Reaction of Adamantylideneadamantane (108) with Triphenylmethanesulfenyl Chloride (65)



A solution of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) (0.116 g, 0.373 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of adamantylideneadamantane (108) (0.10 g, 0.373 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 6 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 20% chloroform in hexane, afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.096 g, 88% of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116). Mp. 142-143 °C (lit. Mp. 153-154 °C¹⁶⁰, 131-132 °C²⁹²). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.08-1.56 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 27.12, 27.70, 34.95, 37.78, 38.41, 38.62 and 71.70 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 268, 100%, M^{+, -}S; 300, 14%, M^{+,}. In addition, chlorotriphenylmethane was isolated in a yield of 58%. The x-ray crystallographic structure of episulfide **116** was reported for the first time (**Figure 6**).

8.2.41 Reaction of Adamantylideneadamantane (108) with Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (61) (0.155 g, 0.45 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of adamantylideneadamantane (108) (0.12 g, 0.45 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 4 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on

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silica gel with 20% chloroform in hexane, afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.115 g, 92% of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (**116**). Mp. 142-143 °C (lit. Mp. 153-154 °C¹⁶⁰, 131-132 °C²⁹²). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.09-1.56 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 27.13, 27.70, 34.96, 37.78, 38.41, 38.64 and 71.71 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 268, 64%, M^{+.} -S; 300, 100%, M^{+.}. In addition, elemental sulfur was isolated in a yield of 52% along with chloro-triphenylmethane (45%).

8.2.42 Reaction of Adamantylideneadamantane (108) with Triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl Chloride (70)



A solution of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (70) (0.139 g, 0.373 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of adamantylideneadamantane (108) (0.10 g, 0.373 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 3 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 25% chloroform in hexane, afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.095 g, 91% of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116). Mp. 142-143 °C (lit. Mp. 153-154 °C¹⁶⁰, 131-132 °C²⁹²). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 2.09-1.56 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 27.13, 27.70, 34.94, 37.77, 38.41, 38.62 and 71.70 ppm. In addition, elemental sulfur was isolated in a yield of 55% along with chlorotriphenylmethane (68%).

8.2.43 Thermal Chemistry of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane (116) in the Presence of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)

2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.073 g, 0.90 mmol) was added to a mixture of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116) (0.18 g, 0.60 mmol) in 15 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 15 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After

evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by the same eluent (15% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated and identified as adamantylideneadamantane (**108**) (0.15 g, 91%). Mp. 185-186 °C (lit. Mp. 183-185 °C²⁸⁹, 184-187 °C²⁹¹). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.59-1.98 (m, 24H) and 2.91 (br., 4H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 28.87, 32.21, 37.70, 39.95 and 133.48 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 268, 100%, M⁺·. The second fraction was isolated and identified as elemental sulfur (55%).

The reaction was repeated in toluene using the above procedure. Adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (116) was completely decomposed when the solution was refluxed for 2 h in toluene solution (110 °C) giving adamantylideneadamantane (108) (99%) along with elemental sulfur (58%).

8.2.44 Oxidation of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane (116) by *m*-Chloroperoxybenzoic Acid (*m*-CPBA)



A solution of *m*-CPBA (0.172 g, 1.0 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane (**116**) (0.30 g, 1.0 mmol) in 30 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at -78 °C . The mixture was stirred for 2 h. The solution was diluted with 5% NaOH solution and extracted three times with 20 mL portions of diethyl ether. The combined ethereal extracts were dried with MgSO₄, filtered and evaporated to give the crude adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (**178**). Recrystallization from *n*-pentane gave 0.313 g, 99% of the corresponding thiirane 1-oxide **178**. Mp. 129-130 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.53-2.38 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 27.02, 27.39, 27.58, 30.02, 36.16, 37.12, 37.20, 37.56, 37.62 and 72.88 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 316, 18%, M⁺; 300, 10%, M^{+.}-O; 268, 100%, M^{+.}-SO.

8.2.45 Thermal Chemistry of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178)

Adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) (0.25 g, 0.791 mmol) was dissolved in 25 mL of toluene and the solution was refluxed for 2.5 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the mixture was adsorbed onto silica gel and chromatographed using the same eluent (20% EtOAc in hexane) to give adamantylideneadamantane (108) in a yield of 97%.

8.2.46 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.0513 g, 0.625 mmol) was added to a mixture of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) (0.593 g, 1.875 mmol) in 30 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 12 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 15% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (15% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as adamantylideneadamantane (108) (99%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated (0.065 g, 80%) as an oily product and identified as 2,5-dihydro-3,4-dimethyl-thiophene 1-oxide (200). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.83 (d, 2H_a), 3.48 (d, 2H_b) and 1.77 (s, 6H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 14.46, 64.32 and 126.07 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 130, 100%, M⁺; 82, 30%, M⁺ -SO; 67, 61%, M⁺ -SOCH₃.

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 27**. 8.2.47 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178) with 2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199)



2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-butadiene²⁹³ (199) (0.129 g, 0.625 mmol) was added to a mixture of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) (0.593 g, 1.875 mmol) in 30 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 24 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as adamantylideneadamantane (108) (98%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated and identified as 2,5-dihydro-3,4-diphenylthiophene 1-oxide (201). Recrystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.111 g, 70% of pure sulfoxide 201. Mp. 134-135 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 4.05 (d, 2H_b), 4.41 (d, 2H_a) and 7.13-7.26 (m, 10H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 64.46, 127.92, 128.47, 128.60, 132.01 and 135.58 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 254, 5%, M^{+.}; 236, 100%, M^{+.} -H₂O; 205, 59%, M^{+.} -SO; 191, 12%, M^{+.} -SOCH₂.

The above reaction was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in a variety of ways. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 29**.

^{For the preparation of 2,3-diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199) see: a) B. C. Fulcher, M. L. Hunter and M. E. Welker, Synth. Commun., 23(2), 217 (1993); b) M. S. Newman, J. Org. Chem., 26, 582 (1961); c) K. Alder and J. Haydn, Justus Liebigs Ann. Chem., 570, 201 (1950).}

8.2.48 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178) with Isoprene (202)



Isoprene (202) (0.014 g, 0.211 mmol) was added to a mixture of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) (0.20 g, 0.633 mmol) in 25 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 36 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as adamantylideneadamantane (108) (97%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated (0.0168 g, 69%) as an oily product and identified as 2,5-dihydro-3-methylthiolene 1-oxide (203). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 5.58 (m, H_c), 3.69-3.90 (m, 2H_a), 3.34-3.58 (m, 2H_b) and 1.90 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 16.72, 59.99, 62.92, 119.07 and 125.01 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 116, 100%, M^{+,}; 68, 49%, M^{+, -}SO; 67, 86%, M^{+, -}SOH; 53, 46%, M^{+, -}SOCH₃.

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 31**.

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8.2.49 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178) with Myrcene (41)



Myrcene (41) (0.069 g, 0.506 mmol) was added to a mixture of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (178) (0.480 g, 1.519 mmol) in 20 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 16 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 25% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (25% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as adamantylideneadamantane (108) (98%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated (0.048 g, 52%) as an oily product and identified as 3-(4'-methyl-3'-pentenyl)-2,5dihydrothiophene 1-oxide (233). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 2.12-2.31 (m, 4H), 3.35-3.59 (m, 2H_b), 3.70-3.89 (m, 2H_a), 5.07 (m, H_d) and 5.60 (m, H_c) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 17.69, 25.59, 26.25, 31.26, 59.68, 61.61, 117.93, 123.93, 132.59 and 139.87 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 184, 39%, M^{+.}; 136, 27%, M^{+.}-SO; 135, 55%, M^{+.}-SOH ; 116, 44%, M^{+.}-C₅H₉; 69, 100%, M^{+.}-C₅H₇SO.

The above reaction was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in a variety of ways. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 33**.

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8.2.50 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178) with 2,4-Hexadiene



2,4-Hexadiene (0.0512 g, 0.625 mmol) (as a mixture of 3 isomers) was added to a mixture of adamantylideneadamantane thiirane 1-oxide (**178**) (0.593 g, 1.875 mmol) in 35 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 15 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (15% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as adamantylideneadamantane (**108**) (98%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated (0.069 g, 85%) as an oily product and identified as *trans,trans*-2,5-dihydro-2,5-dimethylthiophene 1-oxide (**238**). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 5.77 (s, 2H), 3.87 (q, 2H) and 1.41 (d, 6H) ppm; MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 130, 53%, M⁺; 82, 97%, M⁺⁻-SO; 67, 100%, M⁺⁻-SOCH₃.

8.2.51 Preparation of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115)



Potassium metal (5.76 g, 147 mmol) was added to a stirred slurry of titanium trichloride (TiCl₃) (6.45 g, 42 mmol) in 250 mL of dry tetrahydrofuran (THF) under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. After refluxing for 1.5 h, the black mixture was cooled and a solution of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonan-9-one (1.45 g, 10.50 mmol) in 15 mL of THF was added. After the mixture was further refluxed for 24 h, the mixture was cooled to room temperature and filtered under an inert atmosphere. Removal of the solvent under

reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with hexane, afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 2.17 g, 85% of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (**115**). Mp. 144-145 °C (lit. Mp. 143-144 °C²⁹⁴, 144-145 °C²⁹⁵). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.40-2.12 (m, 24H) and 2.85 (br., 4H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 23.02, 32.53, 34.51 and 131.61 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 244, 72%, M⁺ ; 121, 100%, M⁺ · C₉H₁₄.

8.2.52 Reaction of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) with Triphenylmethanesulfenyl Chloride (65)



A solution of triphenylmethanesulfenyl chloride (65) (0.152 g, 0.492 mmol) in 30 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) (0.12 g, 0.492 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 5 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 15% chloroform in hexane, afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.107 g, 86% of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117). Mp. 166-167 °C (lit.⁵⁴ Mp. 166.5-167 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.52-2.03 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 20.75, 21.26, 31.92, 33.65, 34.76 and 70.43 ppm. In addition, chlorotriphenylmethane was isolated in a yield of 55%.

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8.2.53 Reaction of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) with Triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl Chloride (61)



A solution of triphenylmethanethiosulfenyl chloride (**61**) (0.210 g, 0.615 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (**115**) (0.15 g, 0.615 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 4 h. Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 15% chloroform in hexane afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.155 g, 91% of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo-[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (**117**). Mp. 166-167 °C (lit.⁵⁴ Mp. 166.5-167 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.53-2.02 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 20.74, 21.26, 31.92, 33.66, 34.77 and 70.43 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 276, 18%, M⁺; 244, 100%, M⁺-S; 121, 19%, M⁺ -C9H₁₄S. In addition, elemental sulfur was isolated in a yield of 50% along with chlorotriphenylmethane (43%).

8.2.54 Reaction of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) with Triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl Chloride (70)



A solution of triphenylmethanedithiosulfenyl chloride (70) (0.199 g, 0.533 mmol) in 30 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) (0.13 g, 0.533 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at room temperature. The mixture was stirred for 3.5 h.

Removal of the solvent under reduced pressure and chromatography of the residue on silica gel with 25% chloroform in hexane, afforded a solid product which upon crystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.132 g, 90% of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidene- bicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117). Mp. 166-167 °C (lit.⁵⁴ Mp. 166.5-167 °C). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.52-2.03 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 20.75, 21.24, 31.93, 33.65, 34.77 and 70.43 ppm. In addition, elemental sulfur was isolated in a yield of 54% along with chlorotriphenylmethane (65%).

8.2.55 Thermal Chemistry of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane (117) in the Presence of 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)

2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.036 g, 0.435 mmol) was added to a mixture of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117) (0.12 g, 0.435 mmol) in 20 mL of dry ethyl acetate. The solution was refluxed for 8 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% CHCl₃ in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the products were separated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% CHCl₃ in hexane), in which the first fraction was isolated and identified as bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1] nonane (115) (0.10 g, 95%). Mp. 144-146 °C (lit. Mp. 143-144 °C²⁹⁴, 144-145 °C²⁹⁵). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.40-2.11 (m, 24H) and 2.86 (br., 4H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 23.01, 32.53, 34.52 and 131.61 ppm. The second fraction was isolated and identified as elemental sulfur in a yield of 50%.

The reaction was repeated in toluene using the above procedure. Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1] nonane thiirane was completely decomposed after the solution was refluxed for 2.5 h in toluene (110 °C) under a nitrogen atmosphere giving bicyclo-[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) in a yield of 98%. In addition, elemental sulfur was isolated (58%). 8.2.56 Oxidation of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane (117) by *m*-Chloroperoxybenzoic Acid (*m*-CPBA)



A solution of *m*-CPBA (0.0624 g, 0.362 mmol) in 20 mL of dry methylene chloride was added dropwise to a stirred solution of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane (117) (0.10 g, 0.362 mmol) in 25 mL of dry methylene chloride under a nitrogen atmosphere at -78 °C. The mixture was stirred for 2.5 h. The solution was diluted with 5% NaOH solution and extracted three times with 20 mL portions of diethyl ether. The combined ethereal extracts were dried with MgSO₄, filtered and evaporated to give the crude bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179). Recrystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.104 g, 98% of the corresponding thiirane 1-oxide 179. Mp. 150-151 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.45-2.34 (m, 28H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 21.28, 27.45, 30.07, 30.34, 30.78, 31.31, 32.35 and 71.52 ppm. MS (m/z, rel. int., assignment): 292, 17%, M⁺; 276, 7%, M⁺· -O; 244, 100%, M⁺· -SO; 121, 81%, M⁺· -C9H₁₄SO.

8.2.57 Thermal Chemistry of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179)

A sample of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179) (0.20 g, 0.685 mmol) was dissolved in toluene and the solution was refluxed for 4 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the mixture was adsorbed onto silica gel and chromatographed using the same eluent (30% EtOAc in hexane) to give bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1] nonane (115) in a yield of 98%.

8.2.58 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179) with 2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62)



2,3-Dimethyl-1,3-butadiene (62) (0.0234 g, 0.285 mmol) was added to a mixture of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179) (0.250 g, 0.856 mmol) in 20 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 8 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 20% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (20% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) (98%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated (0.030 g, 82%) as an oily product and identified as 2,5-dihydro-3,4-dimethylthiophene 1-oxide (200). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 3.84 (d, 2H_a), 3.48 (d, 2H_b) and 1.77 (s, 6H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 14.46, 64.31 and 126.08 ppm.

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 28**. 8.2.59 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179) with 2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (199)



2,3-Diphenyl-1,3-butadiene (**199**) (0.035 g, 0.171 mmol) was added to a mixture of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (**179**) (0.150 g, 0.514 mmol) in 25 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 12 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (30% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (**115**) (97%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated and identified as 2,5-dihydro-3,4-diphenylthiophene 1-oxide (**201**). Recrystallization from *n*-hexane gave 0.032 g, 73% of pure sulfoxide **201**. Mp. 134-135 °C. ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 4.06 (d, 2H_b), 4.41 (d, 2H_a) and 7.13-7.25 (m, 10H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 64.46, 127.91, 128.47, 128.61, 132.01 and 135.58 ppm.

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 30**. 8.2.60 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179) with Isoprene (202)



Isoprene (202) (0.0139 g, 0.255 mmol) was added to a mixture of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179) (0.18 g, 0.616 mmol) in 20 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 20 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (30% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) (99%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated (0.0122 g, 72%) as an oily product and identified as 2,5dihydro-3-methylthiolene 1-oxide (203). ¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 5.58 (m, H_c), 3.68-3.90 (m, 2H_a), 3.34-3.58 (m, 2H_b) and 1.90 (s, 3H) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 16.72, 59.98, 62.92, 119.07 and 125.02 ppm.

The above reaction was further investigated by varying the reaction conditions in a variety of ways. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 32**.
8.2.61 Trapping of Sulfur Monoxide From the Decomposition of Bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane Thiirane 1-Oxide (179) with Myrcene (41)



Myrcene (41) (0.0388 g, 0.285 mmol) was added to a mixture of bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane thiirane 1-oxide (179) (0.250 g, 0.856 mmol) in 25 mL of dry toluene. The solution was refluxed for 14 h under a nitrogen atmosphere. The reaction was followed by thin layer chromatography using 30% EtOAc in hexane as eluent. After evaporating the solvent under reduced pressure, the first fraction was isolated by column chromatography using the same eluent (30% EtOAc in hexane) and was identified as bicyclo[3.3.1]nonylidenebicyclo[3.3.1]nonane (115) (98%). By eluting with methanol, the second fraction was isolated (0.029 g, 55%) as an oily product and identified as 3-(4'-methyl-3'-pentenyl)-2,5-dihydrothiophene 1-oxide (233).¹H-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 1.60 (s, 3H), 1.68 (s, 3H), 2.11-2.32 (m, 4H), 3.35-3.60 (m, 2H_b), 3.71-3.88 (m, 2H_a), 5.07 (m, H_d) and 5.60 (m, H_c) ppm; ¹³C-NMR (CDCl₃) δ : 17.69, 25.59, 26.26, 31.25, 59.68, 61.62, 117.94, 123.93, 132.59 and 139.87 ppm.

The above reaction was repeated in a variety of solvents, varying temperature, time and concentration using the above procedure. The same products were isolated in each case but in varying yields as shown in **Table 34**. APPENDIX

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATIONS

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APPENDIX I

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF endo-2-Chloro-exo-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.1]heptane (68)



- Crystal Data for the Structure Determination of 68	(Table XR-1)
- Atomic Coordinates and Temperature Factors for 68	(Table XR-2)
- Bond Distances and Bond Angles for 68	(Table XR-3)

Intensity data were collected at room temperature on a AFC6S Rigaku diffractometer controlled by TEXRAY software using the $\theta/2\theta$ scan mode.

Table XR-1. Crystal data for the structure determination of 68			
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Chemical Formula Formula Weight X-ray crystal dimension (mm) ^a Radiation Crystal system Space group Lattice constants a (Å) b (Å) c (Å) V (Å ³) Z F (000) Density (calc'd) (g cm ⁻³)	$\begin{array}{c} C_{26}H_{25}ClS_{2} \\ 437.05 \\ 0.35 \ x \ 0.15 \ x \ 0.15 \\ MoK_{\alpha} \\ monoclinic \\ P \ 2_{1}/c \\ \hline 10.1400(20) \\ 12.860(3) \\ 17.407(14) \\ 2239.6(19) \\ 4 \\ 921.62 \\ 1.296 \\ 0 \ 36 \end{array}$		
λ (Å)	0.70930		
2θ max (°) No. of reflections measured No. of unique reflections	44.90 3114 2921		
No. of reflections with $I_{net} > 2.5\sigma$ (I_{net}) For significant reflections	1600 RF = 0.057^{b} , R _w = 0.058^{c} , G _o F = 1.80^{d}		
Maximum shift / σ ratio Deepest hole in D-map (e / Å ³) Highest peak in D-map (e / Å ³) Method of structure determination Method of structure refinement	0.035 -0.330 0.600 solved by direct methods NRCVAX system programs		

^acell dimensions were obtained from 25 reflections with 20 angles in the range $30.00-35.00^{\circ}$.

 $^{b}RF = \Sigma(F_{o}-F_{c}) / \Sigma(F_{o})$

 ${}^{c}R_{w} = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / \Sigma (wF_{o}^{2})])^{1/2}$

 ${}^{d}G_{o}F = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / (\# \text{ reflections - } \# \text{ parameters})])^{1/2}$

Table XR-2. Atomic coordinates (x, y, z) and temperature factors (Beq) for compound68. Estimated σs refer to the last digit.

Atomic Parameters x, y, z and B_{eq} E. S. DS. refer to the last digit printed

atom	X	у	Z	Beq
S 1	0.69273(20)	0.27449(16)	0.23200(11)	3.80(10)
S 2	0.81089(19)	0.33765(15)	0.16097(11)	3.62(9)
Cl	0.3075 (3)	0.22215(21)	0.22743(20)	8.75(19)
C 1	0.5345 (8)	0.4563 (6)	0.2139 (5)	4.2 (4)
C 2	0.5287 (7)	0.3377 (6)	0.2051 (4)	3.5 (4)
C 3	0.4419 (8)	0.3067 (6)	0.2672 (5)	4.4 (4)
C 4	0.3957 (10)	0.4104 (7)	0.2952 (5)	5.6 (5)
C 5	0.3044 (9)	0.4647 (7)	0.2299 (6)	6.1 (6)
C 6	0.4055 (10)	0.5001 (6)	0.1696 (6)	7.4 (6)
C 7	0.5216 (10)	0.4702 (7)	0.2987 (6)	6.4 (5)
C 8	0.8041 (7)	0.2448 (5)	0.0762 (4)	3.0 (3)
C11	0.8689 (7)	0.1397 (5)	0.1026 (4)	3.0 (3)
C12	0.8523 (8)	0.0567 (6)	0.0492 (5)	4.2 (4)
C13	0.9137 (9)	-0.0386 (6)	0.0698 (6)	5.3 (5)
C14	0.9946 (10)	-0.0512 (7)	0.1402 (7)	5.9 (6)
C15	1.0163 (10)	0.0312 (8)	0.1917 (6)	6.4 (6)
C16	0.9527 (8)	0.1261 (6)	0.1717 (5)	4.6 (4)
C21	0.6560 (7)	0.2387 (6)	0.0417 (4)	2.9 (3)
C22	0.5780 (7)	0.1522 (6)	0.0523 (4)	3.8 (4)
C23	0.4415 (8)	0.1520 (7)	0.0231 (5)	5.0 (5)
C24	0.3831 (8)	0.2356 (8)	-0.0174 (5)	5.6 (5)
C25	0.4569 (9)	0.3233 (7)	-0.0269 (5)	5.1 (5)
C26	0.5921 (8)	0.3239 (6)	0.0019 (4)	3.8 (4)
C31	0.8913 (7)	0.2975 (5)	0.0233 (4)	3.0 (3)
C32	1.0143 (7)	0.3383 (7)	0.0552 (4)	4.4 (4)
C33	1.0977 (8)	0.3833 (7)	0.0078 (6)	5.4 (5)
C34	1.0602 (8)	0.3839 (7)	-0.0714 (6)	4.9 (5)

C35	0.9405 (9)	0.3407 (7)	-0.1034 (4)	4.7 (4)
C36	0.8574 (7)	0.2971 (6)	-0.0567 (4)	3.8 (4)

 $\mathbf{B_{eq}}$ is the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid.

Bond Distances (Å)			
S(1)-S(2)	2.026(3)	C(12)-C(13)	1.395(12)
S(1)-C(2)	1.842(7)	C(13)-C(14)	1.369(16)
S(2)-C(8)	1.891(7)	C(14)-C(15)	1.382(16)
Cl-C(3)	1.792(8)	C(15)-C(16)	1.397(12)
C(1)-C(2)	1.532(11)	C(21)-C(22)	1.395(11)
C(1)-C(6)	1.514(12)	C(21)-C(26)	1.398(10)
C(1)-C(7)	1.514(12)	C(22)-C(23)	1.395(11)
C(2)-C(3)	1.554(11)	C(23)-C(24)	1.366(14)
C(3)-C(4)	1.520(12)	C(24)-C(25)	1.378(14)
C(4)-C(5)	1.515(14)	C(25)-C(26)	1.381(11)
C(4)-C(7)	1.484(14)	C(31)-C(32)	1.383(10)
C(5)-C(6)	1.646(16)	C(31)-C(36)	1.381(11)
C(8)-C(11)	1.540(10)	C(32)-C(33)	1.399(12)
C(8)-C(21)	1.526(10)	C(33)-C(34)	1.368(14)
C(8)-C(31)	1.534(10)	C(34)-C(35)	1.368(13)
C(11)-C(12)	1.406(11)	C(35)-C(36)	1.381(12)
C(11)-C(16)	1.366(11)		

Table XR-3. Bond distances (Å) and bond angles (degrees) for compound 68.Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Bond Angles (Degrees)

S(2)-S(1)-C(2)	105.5(3)	C(8)-C(11)-C(16)	123.3(6)
S(1)-S(2)-C(8)	105.84(24)	C(12)-C(11)-C(16)	118.3(7)
C(2)-C(1)-C(6)	107.7(6)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	119.7(8)
C(2)-C(1)-C(7)	101.9(6)	C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	120.8(8)
C(6)-C(1)-C(7)	104.3(7)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.9(8)
S(1)-C(2)-C(1)	113.3(5)	C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	119.3(9)
S(1)-C(2)-C(3)	107.5(5)	C(11)-C(16)-C(15)	121.8(8)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	101.7(6)	C(8)-C(21)-C(22)	122.1(6)

Table XR-3. continued

Cl-C(3)-C(2)	111.6(6)	C(8)-C(21)-C(26)	120.1(6)
Cl-C(3)-C(4)	113.7(6)	C(22)-C(21)-C(26)	117.6(6)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	103.7(6)	C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	120.3(7)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	110.3(7)	C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	120.5(8)
C(3)-C(4)-C(7)	99.2(7)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	120.6(7)
C(5)-C(4)-C(7)	102.0(8)	C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	119.1(8)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	103.8(7)	C(21)-C(26)-C(25)	121.9(7)
C(1)-C(6)-C(5)	98.6(7)	C(8)-C(31)-C(32)	119.9(6)
C(1)-C(7)-C(4)	96.3(7)	C(8)-C(31)-C(36)	122.1(6)
S(2)-C(8)-C(11)	111.2(5)	C(32)-C(31)-C(36)	117.7(7)
S(2)-C(8)-C(21)	104.4(4)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	120.9(7)
S(2)-C(8)-C(31)	103.8(5)	C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	120.0(7)
C(11)-C(8)-C(21)	114.7(6)	C(33)-C(34)-C(35)	119.4(7)
C(11)-C(8)-C(31)	107.9(5)	C(34)-C(35)-C(36)	120.7(7)
C(21)-C(8)-C(31)	114.4(6)	C(31)-C(36)-C(35)	121.2(7)
C(8)- $C(11)$ - $C(12)$	118 0(6)		

APPENDIX II

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF endo-2-Chloro-exo-1-(triphenylmethyldithio)bicyclo[2.2.2]octane (69)



- Crystal Data for the Structure Determination of 69	(Table XR-4)
- Atomic Coordinates and Temperature Factors for 69	(Table XR-5)
- Bond Distances and Bond Angles for 69	(Table XR-6)

Intensity data were collected at room temperature on a AFC6S Rigaku diffractometer controlled by TEXRAY software using the $\theta/2\theta$ scan mode.

Table XR-4. Crystal data for the second se	the structure determination of 69
Chemical Formula Formula Weight X-ray crystal dimension $(mm)^a$ Radiation Crystal system Space group Lattice constants a $(Å)$ b $(Å)$ c $(Å)$ V $(Å^3)$ Z F (000) Density (calc'd) (g cm ⁻³) μ (mm ⁻¹)	$\begin{array}{c} C_{27}H_{27}ClS_2\\ 451.08\\ 0.20\ x\ 0.20\ x\ 0.35\\ \\ MoK_{\alpha}\\ triclinic\\ P_1(\#\ 2)\\ 9.1129(14)\\ 11.626(21)\\ 22.2218(23)\\ 2308.6(6)\\ 4\\ 95.91\\ 1.298\\ 0.35\\ \end{array}$
λ (Å)	0.70930
$2\theta \max (\circ)$ No. of reflections measured No. of unique reflections No. of reflections with $I_{net} > 2.5\sigma (I_{net})$ For significant reflections	47.00 7304 6807 4439 $BE = 0.109b B_{-1} = 0.129c G_{-}E = 5.39d$
Maximum shift / σ ratio Deepest hole in D-map (e / Å ³) Highest peak in D-map (e / Å ³) Method of structure determination Method of structure refinement	$Rr = 0.109^{\circ}$, $R_W = 0.129^{\circ}$, $G_0 F = 5.39^{\circ}$ 0.565 -0.640 0.880 solved by direct methods NRCVAX system programs

^acell dimensions were obtained from 25 reflections with 20 angles in the range $40.00-45.00^{\circ}$.

 $^{b}RF = \Sigma(F_{o}-F_{c}) / \Sigma(F_{o})$

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 ${}^{c}R_{w} = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / \Sigma (wF_{o}^{2})])^{1/2}$

 $^{d}G_{o}F = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / (\# \text{ reflections} - \# \text{ parameters})])^{1/2}$

Table XR-5. Atomic coordinates (x, y, z) and temperature factors (B_{eq}) for compound69. Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Atomic Parameters x, y, z and B_{eq} E. S. DS. refer to the last digit printed

atom	x	У	Z	Beq
S 1	0.2585(3)	0.3266(3)	0.43658(13)	2.70(15)
S 2	0.4057(4)	0.1695(3)	0.43952(14)	2.72(14)
Cl 1	0.7836(5)	0.0152(3)	0.40304(17)	5.35(20)
C 1	0.5928(10)	0.2051(8)	0.4521 (4)	3.7 (5)
C 2	0.6856(12)	0.0844(8)	0.4687 (4)	4.0 (5)
C 3	0.8035(12)	0.0990(9)	0.5151 (4)	4.3 (5)
C 4	0.7267(12)	0.1259(9)	0.5747 (4)	4.6 (5)
C 5	0.5928(14)	0.2259(10)	0.5648 (5)	5.6 (6)
C 6	0.6039(12)	0.2888(9)	0.5031 (5)	4.7 (6)
C 7	0.7613(14)	. 0.3163(9)	0.4968 (5)	5.4 (6)
C 8	0.8803(12)	0.2000(11)	0.4957 (5)	5.6 (7)
C 9	0.2430(11)	0.3722(8)	0.3548 (4)	3.6 (5)
C10	0.4038(10)	0.3786(8)	0.3356 (4)	3.3 (4)
C 11	0.4867(10)	0.2917(9)	0.3009 (4)	4.2 (5)
C12	0.6375(11)	0.2923(10)	0.2871 (5)	4.8 (6)
C13	0.7036(11)	0.3815(10)	0.3090 (5)	5.3 (6)
C14	0.6221(11)	0.4692(9)	0.3427 (5)	4.7 (5)
C15	0.4742(11)	0.4658(8)	0.3574 (5)	4.2 (5)
C16	0.1696(10)	0.2950(8)	0.3146 (4)	3.5 (5)
C17	0.1041(11)	0.2047(8)	0.3380 (5)	4.0 (5)
C18	0.0339(12)	0.1414(9)	0.2982 (5)	4.6 (6)
C19	0.0251(11)	0.1680(9)	0.2357 (5)	4.7 (6)
C20	0.0909(11)	0.2595(9)	0.2133 (5)	4.7 (6)
C21	0.1618(11)	0.3217(9)	0.2528 (4)	3.9 (5)
C22	0.1373(10)	0.4936(9)	0.3562 (5)	4.3 (5)

Table XR-5. continued

atom	x	У	Z	Beq
C23	0.0171(11)	0.5115(11)	0.3953 (6)	6.0 (7)
C24	-0.0790(12)	0.6233(11)	0.3958 (6)	6.8 (7)
C25	-0.0555(14)	0.7116(11)	0.3575 (6)	7.8 (8)
C26	0.0629(13)	0.6949(10)	0.3180 (6)	6.6 (7)
C27	0.1599(12)	0.5873(9)	0.3183 (5)	5.1 (6)
S 1'	0.2907(23)	0.2312(24)	0.4217 (9)	14.3 (17)
S 2'	0.389 (3)	0.292 (3)	0.4741 (8)	18.5 (24)
Cl 1'	0.7172(16)	0.0287(11)	0.3996 (6)	6.5 (7)
S 3	0.5531(4)	0.8264(3)	0.02874(14)	3.60(17)
S 4	0.6038(5)	0.9316(3)	0.09284(15)	4.28(18)
Cl 2	0.8110(6)	0.9336(4)	0.22855(22)	8.1 (3)
C28	0.5853(13)	0.8505(9)	0.1631 (4)	5.0 (6)
C29	0.6238(17)	0.9450(16)	0.2144 (7)	10.9 (12)
C30	0.5259(20)	0.9154(13)	0.2707 (6)	10.1 (11)
C31	0.3747(19)	0.9621(17)	0.2507 (7)	12.6 (12)
C32	0.3204(19)	0.9204(13)	0.1959 (8)	10.9 (11)
C33	0.4453(17)	0.8171(13)	0.1789 (6)	8.4 (9)
C34	0.4668(19)	0.7205(11)	0.2383 (6)	8.7 (10)
C35	0.5562(20)	0.7880(12)	0.2805 (6)	9.7 (11)
C36	0.7434(13)	0.7308(10)	0.0083 (4)	5.4 (6)
C37	0.8036(11)	0.6665(9)	0.0663 (4)	3.9 (5)
C38	0.9159(11)	0.6998(10)	0.0979 (5)	4.9 (6)
C39	0.9589(12)	0.6495(11)	0.1549 (5)	5.7 (7)
C40	0.8892(12)	0.5624(9)	0.1785 (5)	4.5 (5)
C41	0.7787(12)	0.5281(9)	0.1465 (5)	4.8 (6)
C42	0.7297(12)	0.5815(9)	0.0917 (5)	4.4 (5)
C43	0.8609(16)	0.7903(10)	-0.0227 (5)	6.6 (8)
C44	0.9916(17)	0.7249(14)	-0.0380 (6)	9.9 (10)
C45	1.1045(19)	0.7780(17)	-0.0659 (7)	12.1 (12)
C46	1.0733(21)	0.8989(15)	-0.0810 (5)	11.9 (12)
C47	0.9359(23)	0.9571(17)	-0.0633 (6)	13.5 (15)

Table XR-5. continued

atom	x	У	Z	Beq
C48	0.8214(18)	0.9128(13)	-0.0385 (5)	9.3 (9)
C49	0.6856(12)	0.6625(11)	-0.0409 (4)	5.7 (7)
C50	0.7328(16)	0.5406(14)	-0.0420 (6)	9.7 (9)
C51	0.6871(18)	0.4802(15)	-0.0930 (7)	10.7 (11)
C52	0.5952(13)	0.5412(14)	-0.1352 (5)	8.3 (9)
C53	0.5454(15)	0.6556(14)	-0.1326 (6)	9.0 (10)
C54	0.5911(13)	0.7190(12)	-0.0855 (6)	6.9 (8)
S 3'	0.6640(13)	0.8945(9)	0.0314 (5)	4.5 (6)
S 4'	0.4970(13)	0.8468(10)	0.0782 (6)	5.5 (7)
Cl 2'	0.337 (3)	0.7414(23)	0.1773 (13)	17.4 (20)

Beq is the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid.

Atoms labelled X' are the minor positions of the atoms X, refined assuming occupancy of 0.25.

Bond Distances (Å)					
S(1)-S(2)	2.046(5)	S(1)-C(9)	1.871(9)		
S(2)-C(1)	1.854(9)	Cl(1)-C(2)	1.840(10)		
C(1)-C(2)	1.525(14)	C(1)-C(6)	1.536(14)		
C(1)-S(2')	2.00(3)	C(2)-C(3)	1.527(14)		
C(2)-Cl(1')	1.692(15)	C(3)-C(4)	1.513(15)		
C(3)-C(8)	1.527(15)	C(4)-C(5)	1.525(16)		
C(5)-C(6)	1.542(15)	C(6)-C(7)	1.533(16)		
C(7)-C(8)	1.563(17)	C(9)-C(10)	1.541(13)		
C(9)-C(16)	1.531(13)	C(9)-C(22)	1.549(14)		
C(9)-S(1')	2.151(22)	C(10)-C(11)	1.396(14)		
C(10)-C(15)	1.401(14)	C(11)-C(12)	1.409(14)		
C(12)-C(13)	1.399(17)	C(13)-C(14)	1.384(16)		
C(14)-C(15)	1.394(14)	C(16)-C(17)	1.389(13)		
C(16)-C(21)	1.397(14)	C(17)-C(18)	1.402(14)		
C(18)-C(19)	1.410(16)	C(19)-C(20)	1.395(15)		
C(20)-C(21)	1.392(14)	C(22)-C(23)	1.388(15)		
C(22)-C(27)	1.398(16)	C(23)-C(24)	1.421(16)		
C(24)-C(25)	1.357(22)	C(25)-C(26)	1.380(20)		
C(26)-C(27)	1.386(15)	S(1')-S(2')	1.73(3)		
S(3)-S(4)	2.022(5)	S(3)-C(36)	1.935(12)		
S(4)-C(28)	1.818(10)	Cl(2)-C(29)	1.714(15)		
C(28)-C(29)	1.696(20)	C(28)-C(33)	1.442(18)		
C(28)-S(4')	2.056(17)	C(29)-C(30)	1.601(22)		
C(30)-C(31)	1.444(23)	C(30)-C(35)	1.462(20)		
C(31)-C(32)	1.450(23)	C(32)-C(33)	1.546(21)		
C(33)-C(34)	1.687(19)	C(33)-Cl(2')	1.442(23)		
C(34)-C(35)	1.568(22)	C(36)-C(37)	1.514(14)		
C(36)-C(43)	1.533(17)	C(36)-C(49)	1.528(15)		
C(36)-S(3')	1.987(15)	C(37)-C(38)	1.366(14)		
C(37)-C(42)	1.400(15)	C(38)-C(39)	1.397(15)		
C(39)-C(40)	1.381(16)	C(40)-C(41)	1.363(15)		

Table XR-6. Bond distances (Å) and bond angles (degrees) for compound 69.Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Table XR-6. continued

C(41)-C(42)	1.380(15)	C(43)-C(44)	1.334(20)
C(43)-C(48)	1.431(19)	C(44)-C(45)	1.427(19)
C(45)-C(46)	1.41(3)	C(46)-C(47)	1.37(3)
C(47)-C(48)	1.358(21)	C(49)-C(50)	1.401(20)
C(49)-C(54)	1.374(16)	C(50)-C(51)	1.457(19)
C(51)-C(52)	1.343(22)	C(52)-C(53)	1.323(23)
C(53)-C(54)	1.411(19)	S(3')-S(4')	1.997(18)

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Bond Angles (Degrees)

S(2)-S(1)-C(9)	104.6(3)	S(1)-S(2)-C(1)	105.9(3)
S(2)-C(1)-C(2)	101.5(6)	S(2)-C(1)-C(6)	116.0(7)
C(2)-C(1)-C(6)	109.4(8)	C(2)-C(1)-S(2')	134.9(11)
C(6)-C(1)-S(2')	69.4(9)	Cl(1)-C(2)-C(1)	111.8(7)
Cl(1)-C(2)-C(3)	107.8(7)	C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	108.5(8)
C(1)-C(2)-Cl(1')	100.6(8)	C(3)-C(2)-Cl(1')	126.7(9)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	108.4(9)	C(2)-C(3)-C(8)	110.4(8)
C(4)-C(3)-C(8)	109.1(8)	C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	109.0(8)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	110.3(9)	C(1)-C(6)-C(5)	110.2(8)
C(1)-C(6)-C(7)	104.3(8)	C(5)-C(6)-C(7)	108.6(9)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	110.2(8)	C(3)-C(8)-C(7)	107.9(8)
S(1)-C(9)-C(10)	104.9(6)	S(1)-C(9)-C(16)	115.7(6)
S(1)-C(9)-C(22)	101.9(6)	C(10)-C(9)-C(16)	112.8(7)
C(10)-C(9)-C(22)	113.7(8)	C(10)-C(9)-S(1')	99.4(8)
C(16)-C(9)-C(22)	107.5(7)	C(16)-C(9)-S(1')	90.1(9)
C(22)-C(9)-S(1')	131.1(9)	C(9)-C(10)-C(11)	120.8(8)
C(9)-C(10)-C(15)	120.2(8)	C(11)-C(10)-C(15)	118.7(8)
C(10)-C(11)-C(12)	121.0(9)	C(11)-C(12)-C(13)	118.7(10)
C(12)-C(13)-C(14)	120.8(9)	C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.8(9)
C(10)-C(15)-C(14)	120.8(9)	C(9)-C(16)-C(17)	122.2(9)
C(9)-C(16)-C(21)	118.1(8)	C(17)-C(16)-C(21)	119.6(9)
C(16)-C(17)-C(18)	118.5(9)	C(17)-C(18)-C(19)	122.3(9)
C(18)-C(19)-C(20)	118.2(9)	C(19)-C(20)-C(21)	119.5(10)
C(16)-C(21)-C(20)	121.9(9)	C(9)-C(22)-C(23)	120.3(10)

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Table XR-6. continued

			110 4(10)
C(9)-C(22)-C(27)	121.3(9)	C(23)-C(22)-C(27)	118.4(10)
C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	119.5(12)	C(23)-C(24)-C(25)	120.4(11)
C(24)-C(25)-C(26)	120.7(11)	C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	119.5(12)
C(22)-C(27)-C(26)	121.4(11)	C(9)-S(1')-S(2')	100.9(15)
C(1)-S(2')-S(1')	96.7(15)		
S(4)-S(3)-C(36)	104.4(4)	S(3)-S(4)-C(28)	104.0(4)
S(4)-C(28)-C(29)	101.4(8)	S(4)-C(28)-C(33)	120.6(9)
C(29)-C(28)-C(33)	108.5(9)	C(29)-C(28)-S(4')	141.6(9)
C(33)-C(28)-S(4')	80.7(8)	Cl(2)-C(29)-C(28)	113.8(11)
Cl(2)-C(29)-C(30)	115.5(11)	C(28)-C(29)-C(30)	101.9(10)
C(29)-C(30)-C(31)	102.9(13)	C(29)-C(30)-C(35)	107.4(12)
C(31)-C(30)-C(35)	113.2(16)	C(30)-C(31)-C(32)	119.2(13)
C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	104.2(13)	C(28)-C(33)-C(32)	114.3(12)
C(28)-C(33)-C(34)	111.0(12)	C(28)-C(33)-Cl(2')	153.6(15)
C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	106.5(11)	C(32)-C(33)-Cl(2')	90.0(15)
C(34)-C(33)-Cl(2')	68.6(15)	C(33)-C(34)-C(35)	98.1(10)
C(30)-C(35)-C(34)	115.0(13)	S(3)-C(36)-C(37)	105.7(7)
S(3)-C(36)-C(43)	118.6(8)	S(3)-C(36)-C(49)	97.2(7)
C(37)-C(36)-C(43)	111.4(9)	C(37)-C(36)-C(49)	119.0(10)
C(37)-C(36)-S(3')	105.0(7)	C(43)-C(36)-C(49)	104.9(8)
C(43)-C(36)-S(3')	81.6(8)	C(49)-C(36)-S(3')	127.9(8)
C(36)-C(37)-C(38)	121.2(9)	C(36)-C(37)-C(42)	118.9(9)
C(38)-C(37)-C(42)	119.4(9)	C(37)-C(38)-C(39)	120.9(10)
C(38)-C(39)-C(40)	119.2(10)	C(39)-C(40)-C(41)	119.8(9)
C(40)-C(41)-C(42)	121.6(10)	C(37)-C(42)-C(41)	118.9(9)
C(36)-C(43)-C(44)	119.2(11)	C(36)-C(43)-C(48)	118.3(12)
C(44)-C(43)-C(48)	122.4(12)	C(43)-C(44)-C(45)	120.5(15)
C(44)-C(45)-C(46)	119.4(16)	C(45)-C(46)-C(47)	114.9(12)
C(46)-C(47)-C(48)	129.0(17)	C(43)-C(48)-C(47)	113.2(16)
C(36)-C(49)-C(50)	119.7(10)	C(36)-C(49)-C(54)	121.1(11)
C(50)-C(49)-C(54)	119.1(11)	C(49)-C(50)-C(51)	118.0(13)
C(50)-C(51)-C(52)	119.5(14)	C(51)-C(52)-C(53)	122.3(12)
C(52)-C(53)-C(54)	120.4(13)	C(49)-C(54)-C(53)	120.5(13)
C(36)-S(3')-S(4')	92.3(7)	C(28)-S(4')-S(3')	98.1(7)

APPENDIX III

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF trans-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclohexane (76)



Crystal Data for the Structure Determination of 76 (Table XR-7)
Atomic Coordinates and Temperature Factors for 76 (Table XR-8)
Bond Distances and Bond Angles for 76 (Table XR-9)

Intensity data were collected at room temperature on a AFC6S Rigaku diffractometer controlled by TEXRAY software using the $\theta/2\theta$ scan mode.

Table XR-7. Crystal data for	the structure determination of 76
Chemical Formula Formula Weight X-ray crystal dimension $(mm)^a$ Radiation Crystal system Space group Lattice constants a $(Å)$ b $(Å)$ c $(Å)$ V $(Å^3)$ Z F (000) Density (calc'd) (g cm ⁻³) μ (mm ⁻¹)	$\begin{array}{c} C_{25}H_{25}ClS_{3} \\ 457.11 \\ 0.30 \ x \ 0.12 \ x \ 0.10 \\ CuK_{\alpha} \\ monoclinic \\ P \ 2_{1}/c \ (\#14) \\ 13.934(2) \\ 18.171(1) \\ 9.5180(1) \\ 2309.4(9) \\ 4 \\ 960 \\ 1.315 \\ 4.040 \end{array}$
$\begin{array}{l} \lambda \ (\mbox{\AA}) \\ 2\theta \ max \ (\mbox{\circ}) \\ No. \ of reflections measured \\ No. \ of unique reflections \\ No. \ of reflections \ with \ I_{net} > 3.0\sigma \ (I_{net}) \\ For \ significant \ reflections \\ Maximum \ shift \ / \ \sigma \ ratio \\ Deepest \ hole \ in \ D-map \ (e \ / \ \mbox{\AA}^3 \) \\ Highest \ peak \ in \ D-map \ (e \ / \ \mbox{\AA}^3 \) \\ Method \ of \ structure \ determination \\ Method \ of \ structure \ refinement \\ \end{array}$	1.54178 144.2 9181 5114 3636 $RF = 0.064^{b}, R_{w} = 0.075^{c}, G_{0}F = 2.75^{d}$ 1.83 -0.40 0.570 solved by direct methods NRCVAX system programs

^acell dimensions were obtained from 24 reflections with 20 angles in the range $30.00-33.00^{\circ}$.

^bRF = $\Sigma(F_0-F_c) / \Sigma(F_0)$

 ${}^{c}R_{w} = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / \Sigma (wF_{o}^{2})])^{1/2}$

 ${}^{d}G_{o}F = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / (\# \text{ reflections - } \# \text{ parameters})])^{1/2}$

Table XR-8. Atomic coordinates (x, y, z) and temperature factors (B_{eq}) for compound**76.** Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Atomic Parameters x, y, z and B_{eq} E. S. DS. refer to the last digit printed

atom	x	У	Z	Beq
Cl	0.34645(08)	0.24152(09)	0.08578(17)	7.30(6)
S(1)	0.58999(08)	0.21607(07)	0.20088(14)	5.96(5)
S(2)	0.60210(07)	0.14720(07)	0.37252(15)	5.44(5)
S(3)	0.73245(07)	0.17077(05)	0.53051(12)	4.57(4)
C(1)	0.5256(03)	0.2962(03)	0.2415(08)	9.3(3)
C(2)	0.5942(03)	0.3528(03)	0.3349(05)	5.7(2)
C(3)	0.5422(05)	0.4221(03)	0.3572(09)	9.5(3)
C(4)	0.4470(07)	0.4130(06)	0.3658(14)	6.5(5)
C(4')	0.4507(10)	0.4438(06)	0.2585(16)	7.0(6)
C(5)	0.3784(03)	0.3729(04)	0.2234(08)	8.4(3)
C(6)	0.4304(06)	0.2918(05)	0.2403(10)	4.8(3)
C(6')	0.4323(06)	0.3155(05)	0.1515(10)	4.4(3)
C(7)	0.8264(03)	0.0969(02)	0.5249(04)	3.9(1)
C(8)	0.8090(03)	0.0269(02)	0.6058(04)	4.2(1)
C(9)	0.8905(03)	-0.0172(03)	0.6716(06)	5.4(2)
C(10)	0.8794(04)	-0.0814(03)	0.7430(06)	6.7(2)
C (11)	0.7872(05)	-0.1022(03)	0.7501(07)	6.8(3)
C(12)	0.7050(05)	-0.0602(03)	0.6834(07)	6.7(3)
C(13)	0.7165(03)	0.0047(03)	0.6127(06)	5.4(2)
C(14)	0.8252(02)	0.0825(02)	0.3669(04)	3.6(1)
C(15)	0.8300(03)	0.1412(02)	0.2745(05)	4.3(2)
C(16)	0.8322(03)	0.1286(03)	0.1313(05)	5.0(2)
C(17)	0.8278(04)	0.0580(03)	0.0793(06)	5.4(2)
C(18)	0.8226(04)	-0.0000(03)	0.1682(06)	5.4(2)
C(19)	0.8209(03)	0.0127(02)	0.3102(05)	4.5(2)
C(20)	0.9224(03)	0.1348(02)	0.6176(04)	4.1(1)

Table XR	-8. continued			
atom	x	у	Z	Beq
C(21)	0.9287(04)	0.1545(02)	0.7610(05)	5.4(2)
C(22)	1.0128(04)	0.1887(03)	0.8503(07)	6.6(2)
C(23)	1.0918(04)	0.2032(03)	0.7966(07)	6.8(2)
C(24)	1.0889(03)	0.1835(03)	0.6572(07)	5.9(2)
C(25)	1.0038(03)	0.1489(02)	0.5670(06)	4.7(2)

 $\boldsymbol{B_{eq}}$ is the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid.

Table XR-9. Bond distances (Å) and bond angles (degrees) for compound 76.Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Bond lengths (Å)

atom	atom	distance	atom	atom	distance
Cl	C(6)	1.839(9)	C (7)	C(20)	1.539(5)
Cl	C(6')	1.790(9)	C(8)	C(9)	1.385(6)
S(1)	S(2)	2.027(2)	C(8)	C(13)	1.370(6)
S(1)	C(1)	1.811(5)	C(9)	C(10)	1.381(7)
S(2)	S(3)	2.046(1)	C(10)	C (11)	1.360(8)
S(3)	C(7)	1.887(4)	C(11)	C(12)	1.373(8)
C (1)	C(2)	1.510(7)	C(12)	C(13)	1.391(7)
C (1)	C(6)	1.327(9)	C(14)	C(15)	1.396(5)
C (1)	C(6')	1.382(9)	C(14)	C(19)	1.375(5)
C(2)	C(3)	1.498(7)	C (15)	C(16)	1.392(6)
C(3)	C(4)	1.36(1)	C (16)	C(17)	1.369(7)
C(3)	C(4')	1.41(1)	C (17)	C(18)	1.368(7)
C(4)	C(4')	1.18(1)	C (18)	C(19)	1.379(6)
C(4)	C(5)	1.59(1)	C(20)	C(21)	1.391(6)
C(4')	C(5)	1.61(1)	C(20)	C(25)	1.377(6)
C(5)	C(6)	1.63(1)	C(21)	C(22)	1.384(6)
C(5)	C(6')	1.56(1)	C(22)	C(23)	1.367(8)
C(6)	C(6')	0.96(1)	C(23)	C(24)	1.364(8)
C(7)	C(8)	1.543(5)	C(24)	C(25)	1.399(6)
C(7)	C(14)	1.523(5)			

Bond Angles (Degrees)

atom	atom	atom	angle	atom	atom	atom	angle
C(6)	Cl	C (6')	30.5(3)	Cl	C(6)	C(1)	116.3(6)
S(2)	S (1)	C (1)	104.9(3)	Cl	C(6)	C(5)	102.0(5)

Table XR-9. continued

atom	atom	atom	angle
S (1)	S(2)	S(3)	108.38(7)
S(2)	S(3)	C(7)	107.9(1)
S (1)	C(1)	C(2)	113.9(3)
S(1)	C (1)	C(6)	120.3(6)
S (1)	C (1)	C(6')	120.5(5)
C(2)	C (1)	C (6)	120.7(6)
C(2)	C (1)	C(6')	121.2(6)
C (6)	C (1)	C(6')	41.3(5)
C (1)	C(2)	C(3)	113.9(4)
C(2)	C(3)	C(4)	115.2(6)
C(2)	C(3)	C(4')	121.6(7)
C(4)	C(3)	C(4')	50.3(7)
C(3)	C(4)	C(4')	66.8(9)
C(3)	C(4)	C(5)	111.2(8)
C(4')	C(4)	C(5)	69.2(9)
C(3)	C(4')	C(4)	62.9(8)
C(3)	C(4')	C(5)	108.0(8)
C(4)	C(4')	C(5)	67.7(8)
C(4)	C(5)	C(4')	43.1(6)
C(4)	C(5)	C(6)	100.8(6)
C(4)	C(5)	C(6')	115.7(5)
C(4')	C(5)	C(6)	117.9(5)
C(4')	C(5)	C(6')	106.0(6)
C (6)	C(5)	C(6')	34.8(4)
C (7)	C(14)	C(15)	120.2(3)
C (15)	C(14)	C(19)	117.5(4)
C(15)	C(16)	C (17)	119.8(4)
C(17)	C(18)	C(19)	119.8(5)
C(7)	C(20)	C(21)	118.5(4)
C(21)	C(20)	C(25)	118.0(4)
C(21)	C(22)	C(23)	119.3(6)
C(23)	C(24)	C(25)	120.0(5)

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atom	atom	atom	angle
Cl	C(6)	C(6')	71.9(8)
C (1)	C(6)	C(5)	111.2(7)
C(1)	C(6)	C(6')	72.5(8)
C(5)	C(6)	C(6')	68.3(8)
Cl	C(6')	C (1)	116.3(6)
Cl	C(6')	C(5)	107.4(5)
Cl	C(6')	C(6)	77.6(8)
C(1)	C(6')	C(5)	112.6(7)
C (1)	C(6')	C(6)	66.3(8)
C(5)	C(6')	C(6)	76.9(9)
S(3)	C(7)	C(8)	111.3(3)
S(3)	C (7)	C(14)	109.8(3)
S(3)	C(7)	C(20)	99.4(2)
C(8)	C(7)	C(14)	113.1(3)
C(8)	C(7)	C(20)	108.6(3)
C(14)	C (7)	C(20)	113.9(3)
C(7)	C(8)	C(9)	118.5(3)
C(7)	C(8)	C(13)	123.4(4)
C(9)	C(8)	C (13)	118.0(4)
C(8)	C(9)	C(10)	121.2(5)
C(9)	C(10)	C (11)	120.0(5)
C(10)	C (11)	C(12)	119.9(5)
C (11)	C(12)	C (13)	119.9(5)
C(8)	C(13)	C(12)	120.9(5)
C (7)	C(14)	C(19)	122.3(4)
C (14)	C(15)	C(16)	120.7(4)
C(16)	C (17)	C(18)	120.2(5)
C(14)	C(19)	C(18)	122.0(4)
C(7)	C(20)	C(25)	123.5(4)
C(20)	C(21)	C(22)	121.5(5)
C(22)	C(23)	C(24)	120.7(5)
C(20)	C(25)	C(24)	120.5(5)

APPENDIX IV

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF trans-2-Chloro-1-(triphenylmethyltrithio)cyclopentane (75)



- Crystal Data for the Structure Determination of 75	(Table XR-10)
- Atomic Coordinates and Temperature Factors for 75	(Table XR-11)
- Bond Distances and Bond Angles for 75	(Table XR-12)

Intensity data were collected at room temperature on a AFC6S Rigaku diffractometer controlled by TEXRAY software using the $\theta/2\theta$ scan mode.

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Table XR-10. Crystal data for	the structure determination of 75
Chemical Formula	C ₂₄ H ₂₃ ClS ₃
Formula Weight	443.07
X-ray crystal dimension (mm) ^a	$0.39 \ge 0.24 \ge 0.07$
Radiation	CuKα
Crystal system	triclinic
Space group	P -1
Lattice constants	
a (A)	9.7949(13)
b (A)	13.7746(15)
	17.4663(22)
$V(A^3)$	2204.6(4)
L E (000)	4 025 02
F(000)	955.02 1 225
Density (calc d) (g cm ⁻²)	1.555
μ (mm ⁻¹)	4.22
λ (Å)	1.54178
2θ max (°)	139.6
No. of reflections measured	16408
No. of unique reflections	8336
No. of reflections with $I_{net} > 3.0\sigma$ (I_{net})	6075
For significant reflections	$RF = 0.057^{b}, R_{w} = 0.070^{c}, G_{0}F = 1.98^{d}$
Maximum shift / σ ratio	0.203
Deepest hole in D-map (e / Å ³)	-0.540
Highest peak in D-map $(e/Å^3)$	0.780
Method of structure determination	solved by direct methods
Method of structure refinement	NRCVAX system programs

^acell dimensions were obtained from 25 reflections with 20 angles in the range 40.00-42.00°.

 $^{b}RF = \Sigma(F_{o}-F_{c}) / \Sigma(F_{o})$

 ${}^{c}R_{w} = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / \Sigma (wF_{o}^{2})])^{1/2}$

 ${}^{d}G_{o}F = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / (\# \text{ reflections} - \# \text{ parameters})])^{1/2}$

Table XR-11. Atomic coordinates (x, y, z) and temperature factors (B_{eq}) for compound75. Estimated σs refer to the last digit.

Atomic Parameters x, y, z and B_{eq} E. S. DS. refer to the last digit printed

atom	x	У	Z	Beq
CL1	0.92958(13)	0.87833(9)	0.64554(8)	5.51(6)
S 1	0.77833(12)	0.56468(8)	0.50278(8)	4.90(5)
S2	0.73503(11)	0.60152(9)	0.40181(7)	4.38(5)
S3	0.52963(10)	0.60139(8)	0.38487(6)	3.87(4)
C1	0.8117(4)	0.6878(3)	0.5878(3)	4.04(20)
C2	0.8695(5)	0.6569(4)	0.6582(3)	5.15(25)
C3	1.0232(5)	0.6558(5)	0.6478(3)	5.98(29)
C4	1.0552(4)	0.6931(4)	0.5783(3)	4.44(23)
C5	0.9296(4)	0.7480(3)	0.5684(2)	3.83(19)
C 6	0.4734(4)	0.7381(3)	0.4404(2)	3.16(17)
C 7	0.5850(4)	0.8092(3)	0.4273(2)	3.15(15)
C8	0.6694(4)	0.8720(3)	0.4895(2)	3.53(18)
C9	0.7779(4)	0.9295(3)	0.4738(3)	4.41(21)
C10	0.8034(5)	0.9245(4)	0.3948(3)	5.01(24)
C 11	0.7209(5)	0.8619(4)	0.3319(3)	5.07(24)
C12	0.6130(5)	0.8042(3)	0.3467(3)	4.32(20)
C13	0.3360(4)	0.7399(3)	0.3977(2)	3.45(17)
C14	0.3031(5)	0.8186(4)	0.3692(3)	4.93(23)
C15	0.1744(6)	0.8175(4)	0.3348(3)	6.21(28)
C16	0.0791(5)	0.7402(5)	0.3291(3)	6.13(28)
C17	0.1110(5)	0.6636(4)	0.3577(3)	5.32(26)
C18	0.2372(4)	0.6633(4)	0.3924(3)	4.24(22)
C19	0.4436(4)	0.7576(3)	0.5310(2)	2.95(15)
C20	0.3998(4)	0.8555(3)	0.5788(2)	3.63(18)
C21	0.3660(5)	0.8765(3)	0.6600(3)	4.37(21)
C22	0.3757(5)	0.8013(4)	0.6946(3)	4.57(23)
C23	0.4162(4)	0.7035(4)	0.6475(3)	4.34(22)

Table XR-11. continued

atom	x	у	z	Beq
C24	0.4507(4)	0.6823(3)	0.5660(2)	3.54(18)
CL2	0.91296(16)	0.21715(11)	1.12578(8)	6.46(7)
S 4	0.80104(12)	0.43579(9)	1.00721(7)	4.54(5)
S 5	0.74408(10)	0.31967(9)	0.90076(6)	3.88(4)
S 6	0.53750(10)	0.31307(8)	0.88556(6)	3.44(4)
C25	0.8180(4)	0.3752(3)	1.0853(3)	4.21(21)
C26	0.8708(6)	0.4616(4)	1.1644(3)	6.22(28)
C27	1.0267(6)	0.4544(4)	1.1638(3)	6.22(27)
C28	1.0624(5)	0.3646(4)	1.0891(3)	5.25(26)
C29	0.9328(5)	0.2990(3)	1.0639(3)	4.26(21)
C 30	0.4708(4)	0.2212(3)	0.9364(2)	2.95(15)
C31	0.4543(4)	0.2774(3)	1.0293(2)	2.95(16)
C32	0.4181(4)	0.2193(3)	1.0773(2)	3.64(18)
C33	0.3975 5)	0.2666(3)	1.1607(2)	4.12(19)
C34	0.4086(4)	0.3735(3)	1.1970(2)	4.01(20)
C35	0.4396(5)	0.4318(3)	1.1494(3)	4.16(19)
C36	0.4625(4)	0.3849(3)	1.0661(2)	3.52(17)
C37	0.3248(4)	0.1908(3)	0.9006(2)	3.22(16)
C38	0.2391(4)	0.2650(3)	0.8945(3)	3.76(18)
C39	0.1056(4)	0.2400(4)	0.8658(3)	4.41(22)
C40	0.0551(4)	0.1406(4)	0.8446(3)	4.56(23)
C41	0.1385(4)	0.0652(4)	0.8522(3)	4.75(23)
C42	0.2731(4)	0.0892(3)	0.8797(3)	3.94(19)
C43	0.5682(4)	0.1309(3)	0.9117(2)	3.34(16)
C44	0.5766(4)	0.0700(3)	0.8290(3)	4.13(19)
C45	0.6699(5)	-0.0076(4)	0.8021(3)	5.05(22)
C46	0.7594(4)	-0.0245(3)	0.8574(3)	5.09(24)
C47	0.7525(4)	0.0344(4)	0.9389(3)	4.83(25)
C48	0.6573(4)	0.1128(3)	0.9663(3)	3.82(20)

 B_{eq} is the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid.

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Table XR-12. Bond distances (Å) and bond angles (degrees) for compound 75.Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Bond Distances (Å)

Cl(1)-C(5)	1.826(4)	Cl(2)-C(29)	1.824(5)
S(1)-S(2)	2.0452(18)	S(4)-S(5)	2.0435(16)
S(1)-C(1)	1.838(4)	S(4)-C(25)	1.842(5)
S(2)-S(3)	2.0322(14)	S(5)-S(6)	2.0351(14)
S(3)-C(6)	1.887(4)	S(6)-C(30)	1.889(4)
C(1)-C(2)	1.545(7)	C(25)-C(26)	1.547(7)
C(1)-C(5)	1.512(6)	C(25)-C(29)	1.515(6)
C(2)-C(3)	1.517(7)	C(26)-C(27)	1.533(8)
C(3)-C(4)	1.508(7)	C(27)-C(28)	1.498(8)
C(4)-C(5)	1.502(6)	C(28)-C(29)	1.509(6)
C(6)-C(7)	1.520(5)	C(30)-C(31)	1.543(5)
C(6)-C(13)	1.542(5)	C(30)-C(37)	1.546(5)
C(6)-C(19)	1.538(5)	C(30)-C(43)	1.526(5)
C(7)-C(8)	1.381(5)	C(31)-C(32)	1.389(5)
C(7)-C(12)	1.413(6)	C(31)-C(36)	1.391(5)
C(8)-C(9)	1.394(6)	C(32)-C(33)	1.388(6)
C(9)-C(10)	1.381(7)	C(33)-C(34)	1.384(6)
C(10)-C(11)	1.375(8)	C(34)-C(35)	1.374(6)
C(11)-C(12)	1.386(7)	C(35)-C(36)	1.391(6)
C(13)-C(14)	1.386(6)	C(37)-C(38)	1.372(6)
C(13)-C(18)	1.390(6)	C(37)-C(42)	1.396(6)
C(14)-C(15)	1.392(7)	C(38)-C(39)	1.389(6)
C(15)-C(16)	1.373(9)	C(39)-C(40)	1.364(7)
C(16)-C(17)	1.360(8)	C(40)-C(41)	1.380(7)
C(17)-C(18)	1.376(6)	C(41)-C(42)	1.392(6)
C(19)-C(20)	1.393(5)	C(43)-C(44)	1.397(6)
C(19)-C(24)	1.381(5)	C(43)-C(48)	1.381(6)
C(20)-C(21)	1.388(6)	C(44)-C(45)	1.378(6)
C(21)-C(22)	1.375(7)	C(45)-C(46)	1.385(7)
C(22)-C(23)	1.379(7)	C(46)-C(47)	1.372(7)
C(23)-C(24)	1.393(6)	C(47)-C(48)	1.399(6)

Bond Angles (Degrees)

S(2)-S(1)-C(1)	106.85(15)	S(5)-S(4)-C(25)	106.57(15)
S(1)-S(2)-S(3)	110.24(7)	S(4)-S(5)-S(6)	110.48(7)
S(2)-S(3)-C(6)	107.01(12)	S(5)-S(6)-C(30)	105.81(12)
S(1)-C(1)-C(2)	105.3(3)	S(4)-C(25)-C(26)	106.6(3)
S(1)-C(1)-C(5)	110.7(3)	S(4)-C(25)-C(29)	110.3(3)
C(2)-C(1)-C(5)	103.2(3)	C(26)-C(25)-C(29)	103.4(4)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	105.5(4)	C(25)-C(26)-C(27)	106.0(4)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	107.7(4)	C(26)-C(27)-C(28)	107.2(4)
C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	104.7(4)	C(27)-C(28)-C(29)	105.5(4)
Cl(1)-C(5)-C(1)	106.6(3)	Cl(2)-C(29)-C(25)	107.6(3)
Cl(1)-C(5)-C(4)	110.0(3)	Cl(2)-C(29)-C(28)	109.5(3)
C(1)-C(5)-C(4)	105.1(4)	C(25)-C(29)-C(28)	105.3(4)
S(3)-C(6)-C(7)	106.00(25)	S(6)-C(30)-C(31)	111.37(24)
S(3)-C(6)-C(13)	102.35(24)	S(6)-C(30)-C(37)	104.07(24)
S(3)-C(6)-C(19)	111.9(3)	S(6)-C(30)-C(43)	105.51(24)
C(7)-C(6)-C(13)	114.7(3)	C(31)-C(30)-C(37)	106.1(3)
C(7)-C(6)-C(19)	114.0(3)	C(31)-C(30)-C(43)	115.7(3)
C(13)-C(6)-C(19)	107.3(3)	C(37)-C(30)-C(43)	113.7(3)
C(6)-C(7)-C(8)	123.1(3)	C(30)-C(31)-C(32)	118.9(3)
C(6)-C(7)-C(12)	118.9(3)	C(30)-C(31)-C(36)	122.6(3)
C(8)-C(7)-C(12)	117.8(4)	C(32)-C(31)-C(36)	118.2(3)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	121.3(4)	C(31)-C(32)-C(33)	121.0(4)
C(8)-C(9)-C(10)	120.3(4)	C(32)-C(33)-C(34)	120.2(4)
C(9)-C(10)-C(11)	119.3(4)	C(33)-C(34)-C(35)	119.2(4)
C(10)-C(11)-C(12)	121.0(4)	C(34)-C(35)-C(36)	121.0(4)
C(7)-C(12)-C(11)	120.4(4)	C(31)-C(36)-C(35)	120.3(4)
C(6)-C(13)-C(14)	122.8(4)	C(30)-C(37)-C(38)	120.5(3)
C(6)-C(13)-C(18)	118.6(4)	C(30)-C(37)-C(42)	121.1(3)
C(14)-C(13)-C(18)	118.4(4)	C(38)-C(37)-C(42)	118.3(3)
C(13)-C(14)-C(15)	119.5(5)	C(37)-C(38)-C(39)	121.4(4)
C(14)-C(15)-C(16)	121.1(5)	C(38)-C(39)-C(40)	120.5(4)
C(15)-C(16)-C(17)	119.4(4)	C(39)-C(40)-C(41)	119.1(4)

Table XR-12. continued

C(16)-C(17)-C(18)	120.5(5)	C(40)-C(41)-C(42)	120.8(4)
C(13)-C(18)-C(17)	121.0(4)	C(37)-C(42)-C(41)	119.9(4)
C(6)-C(19)-C(20)	117.7(3)	C(30)-C(43)-C(44)	118.4(3)
C(6)-C(19)-C(24)	123.7(3)	C(30)-C(43)-C(48)	122.9(3)
C(20)-C(19)-C(24)	118.5(3)	C(44)-C(43)-C(48)	118.4(4)
C(19)-C(20)-C(21)	120.3(4)	C(43)-C(44)-C(45)	121.2(4)
C(20)-C(21)-C(22)	120.7(4)	C(44)-C(45)-C(46)	119.9(4)
C(21)-C(22)-C(23)	119.5(4)	C(45)-C(46)-C(47)	119.8(4)
C(22)-C(23)-C(24)	120.0(4)	C(46)-C(47)-C(48)	120.4(4)
C(19)-C(24)-C(23)	121.0(4)	C(43)-C(48)-C(47)	120.4(4)

APPENDIX V

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane (116)



- Crystal Data for the Structure Determination of 116 (Table XR-13)
- Atomic Coordinates and Temperature Factors for 116 (Table XR-14)
- Bond Distances and Bond Angles for 116 (Table XR-15)

Intensity data were collected at room temperature on a AFC6S Rigaku diffractometer controlled by TEXRAY software using the $\theta/2\theta$ scan mode.

Table XR-13. Crystal data for the structure determination of 116			
Chemical Formula Formula Weight X-ray crystal dimension (mm) ^a Radiation Crystal system Space group Lattice constants	C ₂₀ H ₂₈ S 300.50 0.40 x 0.30 x 0.30 CuK α monoclinic P 2 ₁ /a		
a (A)	12.7522(19)		
b (Å)	10.5600(13)		
c (Å)	13.441(3)		
V (Å ³)	1604.0(4)		
Z	4		
F (000)	658.67		
Density (calc'd) (g cm ⁻³)	1.244		
μ (mm ⁻¹)	1.65		
λ (Å)	1.54178		
$2\theta \max (\circ)$	110		
No. of reflections measured	2129		
No. of unique reflections	2018		
No. of reflections with $I_{net} > 2.5\sigma (I_{net})$	1787		
For significant reflections	$BF = 0.031^{b}$, $B_{rr} = 0.035^{c}$, $G_{0}F = 2.06^{d}$		
Maximum shift / σ ratio	0.018		
Deepest hole in D-map (e / Å ³)	-0.100		
Highest peak in D-map (e / Å ³)	0.150		
Method of structure determination	solved by direct methods		
Method of structure refinement	NRCVAX system programs		
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 Table XR-13. Crystal data for the structure determination of 116

acell dimensions were obtained from 25 reflections with 20 angles in the range 80.00-100.00°.

^bRF = $\Sigma(F_0 - F_c) / \Sigma(F_0)$

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 ${}^{c}R_{w} = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / \Sigma (wF_{o}^{2})])^{1/2}$

 ${}^{d}G_{o}F = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / (\# \text{ reflections - } \# \text{ parameters})])^{1/2}$

Table XR-14. Atomic coordinates (x, y, z) and temperature factors (B_{eq}) for compound116. Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Atomic Parameters x, y, z and B_{eq} E. S. DS. refer to the last digit printed

atom	x	У	Z	Beq
S	0.15883(5)	0.49868(5)	0.26393(5)	3.91(3)
C 1	0.05843(16)	0.38780(18)	0.28413(16)	2.82(10)
C 2	0.09383(17)	0.35680(20)	0.40644(16)	3.19(10)
C 3	-0.00587(20)	0.28262(22)	0.41386(18)	3.58(12)
C 4	-0.02930(19)	0.15938(21)	0.34798(19)	3.82(11)
C 5	-0.06587(20)	0.19138(22)	0.22600(19)	3.80(11)
C 6	0.03281(18)	0.26525(19)	0.21705(17)	3.19(10)
C 7	0.08365(21)	0.07897(23)	0.39653(22)	4.35(14)
C 8	0.18233(20)	0.15231(21)	0.38805(19)	3.92(12)
C 9	0.14512(21)	0.18319(23)	0.26527(20)	4.05(13)
C10	0.20607(19)	0.27482(21)	0.45482(19)	3.67(12)
C 1'	0.00209(16)	0.51163(18)	0.23126(16)	2.91(10)
C 2'	-0.02504(19)	0.61348(19)	0.29606(18)	3.50(11)
C 3'	-0.15339(20)	0.59972(25)	0.27655(19)	3.96(12)
C 4'	-0.23871(20)	0.61489(20)	0.15116(19)	3.77(12)
C 5'	-0.21182(20)	0.51158(22)	0.08770(19)	3.73(12)
C 6'	-0.08383(18)	0.52444(20)	0.10642(17)	3.35(11)
C 7'	-0.22249(22)	0.74459(23)	0.11096(21)	4.34(13)
C 8'	-0.09557(21)	0.75837(23)	0.13033(21)	4.48(14)
C 9'	-0.06910(24)	0.65544(23)	0.06561(22)	4.43(14)
C10'	-0.01062(23)	0.74451(22)	0.25529(21)	4.64(14)

 B_{eq} is the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid for atoms refined anisotropically.

Table XR-15. Bond distances (Å) and bond angles (degrees) for compound 116.Estimated os refer to the last digit.

Bond Distances (Å)

S-C(1)	1.8455(19)	S-C (1')	1.8421(20)
C(1')-C(2')	1.521(3)	C(1)-C(2)	1.525(3)
C(1')-C(6')	1.527(3)	C(1)-C(6)	1.524(3)
C(2')-C(3')	1.540(3)	C(1)-C(1')	1.503(3)
C(2')-C(10')	1.530(3)	C(2)-C(3)	1.535(3)
C(2)-C(10)	1.536(3)	C(3')-C(4')	1.533(3)
C(3)-C(4)	1.524(3)	C(4')-C(5')	1.519(3)
C(4')-C(7')	1.521(3)	C(4)-C(5)	1.520(3)
C(4)-C(7)	1.533(3)	C(5')-C(6')	1.538(3)
C(5)-C(6)	1.532(3)	C(6')-C(9')	1.531(3)
C(6)-C(9)	1.537(3)	C(7')-C(8')	1.523(4)
C(7)-C(8)	1.526(3)	C(8')-C(9')	1.525(4)
C(8')-C(10')	1.526(3)	C(8)-C(9)	1.526(3)
C(8)-C(10)	1.523(3)		

Bond Angles (Degrees)

C(1)-S-C(1')	48.09(8)	S-C(1')-C(1)	66.07(10)
S-C(1)-C(2)	114.57(13)	S-C(1')-C(2')	115.18(14)
S-C(1)-C(6)	115.15(13)	S-C(1')-C(6')	114.54(14)
S-C(1)-C(1')	65.83(10)	C(1)-C(1')-C(2')	122.02(17)
C(2)-C(1)-C(6)	109.32(16)	C(1)-C(1')-C(6')	122.64(16)
C(2)-C(1)-C(1')	122.30(16)	C(2')-C(1')-C(6')	109.20(16)
C(6)-C(1)-C(1')	122.33(16)	C(1')-C(2')-C(3')	109.97(17)
C(1)-C(2)-C(3)	109.83(16)	C(1')-C(2')-C(10')	109.71(19)
C(1)-C(2)-C(10)	109.25(17)	C(3')-C(2')-C(10')	108.60(19)
C(3)-C(2)-C(10)	108.80(18)	C(2')-C(3')-C(4')	109.52(18)
C(2)-C(3)-C(4)	110.08(18)	C(3')-C(4')-C(5')	108.21(18)

Table XR-15. continued

C(3)-C(4)-C(5)	108.44(18)	C(3')-C(4')-C(7')	109.91(19)
C(3)-C(4)-C(7)	109.46(19)	C(5')-C(4')-C(7')	110.12(20)
C(5)-C(4)-C(7)	109.90(20)	C(4')-C(5')-C(6')	110.09(18)
C(4)-C(5)-C(6)	110.20(17)	C(1')-C(6')-C(5')	109.79(17)
C(1)-C(6)-C(5)	110.16(17)	C(1')-C(6')-C(9')	109.21(18)
C(1)-C(6)-C(9)	109.08(17)	C(5')-C(6')-C(9')	108.55(18)
C(5)-C(6)-C(9)	108.58(18)	C(4')-C(7')-C(8')	109.51(19)
C(4)-C(7)-C(8)	109.38(19)	C(7')-C(8')-C(9')	109.46(21)
C(7)-C(8)-C(9)	109.58(20)	C(7')-C(8')-C(10')	109.58(21)
C(7)-C(8)-C(10)	109.43(20)	C(9')-C(8')-C(10')	109.13(20)
C(9)-C(8)-C(10)	109.45(19)	C(6')-C(9')-C(8')	110.08(19)
C(6)-C(9)-C(8)	109.79(18)	C(2')-C(10')-C(8')	109.82(19)
C(2)-C(10)-C(8)	109.73(17)		

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APPENDIX VI

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF Adamantylideneadamantane Thiirane 1-Oxide (178)



- Crystal Data for the Structure Determination of 178	(Table X	R-16)
- Atomic Coordinates and Temperature Factors for 178	(Table X	R-17)
- Bond Distances and Bond Angles for 178	(Table X	R-18)

Intensity data were collected at room temperature on a AFC6S Rigaku diffractometer controlled by TEXRAY software using the $\theta/2\theta$ scan mode.

Table XR-16. Crystal data for the structure determination of 178	
Chemical Formula Formula Weight X-ray crystal dimension $(mm)^a$ Radiation Crystal system Space group Lattice constants a $(Å)$ b $(Å)$ c $(Å)$ V $(Å^3)$	$\begin{array}{c} C_{20}H_{28}OS\\ 316.50\\ 0.275 \ x \ 0.450 \ x \ 0.275\\ CuK_{\alpha}\\ monoclinic\\ P\ 2_1/n\ (\#14)\\ 10.851(2)\\ 13.680(2)\\ 11.313(2)\\ 1617.0(8) \end{array}$
Z	4
F (000)	688
Density (calc'd) (g cm ⁻³)	1.30
μ (mm ⁻¹)	1.712
λ (Å)	1.54178
$2\theta \max (\circ)$	140
No. of reflections measured	3151
No. of unique reflections	2978
No. of reflections with $I_{net} > 3.0\sigma (I_{net})$	2033
For significant reflections	$RF = 0.041^{b}, R_{w} = 0.047^{c}, G_{0}F = 1.62^{d}$
Maximum shift / σ ratio	0.21
Deepest hole in D-map (e / Å ³)	-0.230
Highest peak in D-map (e / Å ³)	0.200
Method of structure determination	solved by direct methods
Method of structure refinement	NRCVAX system programs

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^acell dimensions were obtained from 25 reflections with 20 angles in the range 50.00-60.00°.

 $^{b}RF = \Sigma(F_{o}-F_{c}) / \Sigma(F_{o})$

 ${}^{c}R_{w} = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / \Sigma (wF_{o}^{2})])^{1/2}$

 $^{d}G_{o}F = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / (\# reflections - \# parameters)])^{1/2}$
Table XR-17. Atomic coordinates (x, y, z) and temperature factors (B_{eq}) for compound178. Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Atomic Parameters x, y, z and B_{eq} E. S. DS. refer to the last digit printed

atom	x	у	z	Beq
S (1)	0.04312(07)	0.27436(05)	0.60393(06)	2.98(3)
O (1)	-0.0229(02)	0.3225(02)	0.4856(02)	4.3(1)
C(1)	-0.0015(02)	0.3329(02)	0.7354(02)	2.4(1)
C(2)	-0.1203(03)	0.3961(02)	0.6973(03)	3.2(1)
C(3)	-0.1338(04)	0.4537(03)	0.8099(04)	4.4(2)
C(4)	-0.1464(03)	0.3834(03)	0.9106(03)	4.3(2)
C(5)	-0.0255(03)	0.3197(03)	0.9470(03)	3.9(1)
C(6)	-0.0126(03)	0.2616(02)	0.8361(02)	2.9(1)
C(7)	-0.1313(03)	0.1971(02)	0.7892(03)	3.8(1)
C(8)	-0.2513(03)	0.2614(03)	0.7528(03)	4.0(1)
C(9)	-0.2389(03)	0.3314(03)	0.6518(03)	4.2(1)
C (10)	-0.2628(03)	0.3190(03)	0.8641(04)	4.7(2)
C (11)	0.1257(02)	0.3657(02)	0.7202(02)	2.2(1)
C(12)	0.2531(02)	0.3309(02)	0.8060(02)	2.4(1)
C(13)	0.2979(03)	0.4070(02)	0.9088(03)	3.0(1)
C(14)	0.3156(03)	0.5060(02)	0.8535(03)	3.3(1)
C(15)	0.1894(03)	0.5393(02)	0.7667(03)	3.2(1)
C(16)	0.1436(03)	0.4643(02)	0.6634(02)	2.7(1)
C (17)	0.2457(03)	0.4541(02)	0.5934(03)	3.4(1)
C (18)	0.3726(03)	0.4214(02)	0.6802(03)	3.5(1)
C (19)	0.3533(03)	0.3222(02)	0.7350(03)	3.0(1)
C(20)	0.4156(03)	0.4968(02)	0.7826(03)	3.8(1)

 $\boldsymbol{B_{eq}}$ is the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid.

Table XR-18. Bond distances (Å) and bond angles (degrees) of compound 178.Estimated os refer to the last digit.

Bond Distances (Å)

atom	m atom distance		atom	atom	distance
S 1	01	1.491(2)	S 1	C1	1.865(3)
S 1	C11	1.860(2)	C 1	C2	1.515(4)
C 1	C6	1.530(4)	C11	C12	1.535(3)
C 1	C11	1.505(3)	C11	C16	1.529(3)
C2	C3	1.538(4)	C12	C13	1.538(4)
C2	С9	1.532(4)	C12	C19	1.522(4)
C3	C4	1.524(5)	C13	C14	1.526(4)
C4	C5	1.535(5)	C14	C15	1.524(4)
C4	C10	1.513(5)	C14	C20	1.518(5)
C5	C6	1.523(4)	C15	C16	1.533(4)
C6	C7	1.533(4)	C16	C17	1.532(4)
C7	C8	1.533(4)	C17	C18	1.527(4)
C8	С9	1.525(5)	C18	C19	1.529(4)
C8	C10	1.518(5)	C18	C20	1.527(5)

Bond Angles (Degrees)

atom	atom	atom	angle	atom	atom	atom	angle
01	S 1	C1	111.2(1)	O 1	S 1	C11	111.2(1)
C4	C5	C6	109.7(3)	C 1	S 1	C11	47.7(1)
S 1	C 1	C2	113.7(2)	S 1	C1	C6	114.2(2)
S 1	C 1	C11	66.0(1)	C2	C1	C6	110.1(2)
C2	C 1	C11	122.3(2)	C1	C6	C5	108.9(2)
C6	C 1	C11	122.3(2)	C1	C6	C7	109.7(2)
C 1	C2	C3	108.7(2)	C 1	C2	С9	109.9(3)
C5	C6	C7	109.3(3)	C3	C2	C9	108.4(3)
C6	C7	C8	109.6(3)	C7	C8	C10	109.2(3)
C2	C3	C4	110.0(3)	C7	C8	C9	108.8(3)

Table XR-18. continued

atom	atom	atom	angle	atom	atom	atom	angle
C9	C8	C 10	109.8(3)	C5	C4	C10	109.6(3)
C2	C9	C8	110.3(3)	C13	C14	C15	109.8(2)
C13	C14	C20	109.3(3)	C4	C10	C8	110.0(3)
C15	C14	C20	109.3(3)	C14	C15	C16	110.0(2)
S 1	C11	C1	66.3(1)	S 1	C11	C12	114.8(2)
S 1	C11	C16	112.8(2)	C 1	C 11	C12	122.2(2)
C1	C11	C16	122.4(2)	C11	C16	C15	108.7(2)
C12	C11	C16	110.2(2)	C11	C16	C17	109.2(2)
C11	C12	C13	108.4(2)	C11	C12	C19	109.9(2)
C15	C16	C17	108.9(3)	C13	C12	C19	109.1(2)
C16	C17	C 18	110.3(2)	C17	C18	C19	108.8(3)
C17	C18	C20	109.1(3)	C19	C18	C20	109.9(3)
C12	C19	C18	109.9(2)	C14	C20	C18	109.9(2)

APPENDIX VII

X-RAY STRUCTURE DETERMINATION OF

Adduct 235



- Crystal Data for the Structure Determination of 235 (Table XR-19)
- Atomic Coordinates and Temperature Factors for 235 (Table XR-20)
- Bond Distances and Bond Angles for 235 (Table XR-21)

Intensity data were collected at room temperature on a AFC6S Rigaku diffractometer controlled by TEXRAY software using the $\theta/2\theta$ scan mode.

Table XR-19. Crystal data for the structure determination of 235						
Chemical Formula Formula Weight	C ₃₉ H ₄₄ O ₂ S 576.84 0.40 x 0.17 x 0.35					
Radiation	CuK_{α}					
Crystal system	triclinic					
Space group	P -1 (#2)					
Lattice constants a (Å) b (Å)	10.588(2) 14.602(1)					
c (Å)	10.521(2)					
V (Å ³)	1536.7(5)					
Z	2					
F (000)	620					
Density (calc'd) (g cm ⁻³)	1.247					
μ (mm ⁻¹)	1.148					
λ (Å)	1.54178					
2θ max (°)	140					
No. of reflections measured	5930					
No. of unique reflections	5589					
No. of reflections with $I_{net} > 3.0\sigma$ (I_{net})	3447					
For significant reflections	$BF = 0.065^{b}$, $B_{W} = 0.071^{c}$, $G_{0}F = 2.30^{d}$					
Maximum shift / σ ratio	4.03					
Deepest hole in D-map (e / Å ³)	-0.41					
Highest peak in D-map (e / Å ³)	0.370					
Method of structure determination	solved by direct methods					
Method of structure refinement	NRCVAX system programs					

^acell dimensions were obtained from 25 reflections with 20 angles in the range 55.00-60.00°.

 $^{b}RF = \Sigma(F_{o}-F_{c}) / \Sigma(F_{o})$

 ${}^{c}R_{w} = \ (\Sigma[wF_{o}\text{-}F_{c})^{2} \, / \, \Sigma \, (wF_{o}^{2})])^{1/2}$

 ${}^{d}G_{o}F = (\Sigma[wF_{o}-F_{c})^{2} / (\# \text{ reflections} - \# \text{ parameters})])^{1/2}$

Table XR-20. Atomic coordinates (x, y, z) and temperature factors (B_{eq}) for adduct235. Estimated σs refer to the last digit.

Atomic Parameters x, y, z and B_{eq} E. S. DS. refer to the last digit printed

atom	x	у	Z	Beq
S (1)	0.39525(10)	0.33773(08)	0.75762(12)	3.85(4)
O (1)	0.3361(03)	0.3409(02)	0.6142(03)	5.0(1)
O(2)	0.0938(03)	0.3684(02)	0.4785(03)	3.6(1)
C(1)	0.5802(03)	0.3568(03)	0.7879(04)	2.8(1)
C(2)	0.6367(04)	0.3994(03)	0.6783(04)	3.1(2)
C(3)	0.6289(05)	0.5023(03)	0.6784(05)	3.8(2)
C(4)	0.7065(04)	0.5587(03)	0.8101(05)	3.8(2)
C(5)	0.6467(05)	0.5158(03)	0.9191(05)	3.9(2)
C(6)	0.6541(04)	0.4131(03)	0.9201(04)	3.5(2)
C(7)	0.7827(04)	0.3955(04)	0.7039(05)	3.9(2)
C(8)	0.8600(04)	0.4518(03)	0.8367(05)	3.9(2)
C(9)	0.8511(05)	0.5543(03)	0.8344(05)	4.2(2)
C (10)	0.8004(05)	0.4079(04)	0.9439(05)	4.2(2)
C (11)	0.5069(04)	0.2541(03)	0.7742(04)	3.3(2)
C(12)	0.4820(05)	0.1870(03)	0.6498(05)	4.1(2)
C(13)	0.5957(06)	0.1348(04)	0.6627(06)	5.5(2)
C(14)	0.5975(06)	0.0796(04)	0.7803(07)	5.9(3)
C(15)	0.6219(06)	0.1470(04)	0.9037(06)	5.4(2)
C(16)	0.5089(05)	0.1995(04)	0.8924(05)	4.4(2)
C(17)	0.3770(05)	0.1240(04)	0.8725(07)	5.7(2)
C(18)	0.3533(06)	0.0584(04)	0.7492(07)	6.2(3)
C(19)	0.3490(06)	0.1138(04)	0.6311(06)	5.8(2)
C(20)	0.4667(07)	0.0066(04)	0.7613(09)	6.8(3)
C(21)	-0.1363(04)	0.3061(03)	0.3906(04)	3.0(1)
C(22)	-0.1426(05)	0.3955(03)	0.3563(05)	4.0(2)
C(23)	-0.2634(05)	0.4170(04)	0.3104(06)	5.2(2)
C(24)	-0.3821(05)	0.3487(04)	0.2932(06)	5.2(2)
C(25)	-0.3758(05)	0.2613(04)	0.3287(06)	5.1(2)

Table XR-20. continued

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atom	х	У	Ž	Beq
C(26)	-0.2565(04)	0.2400(04)	0.3756(05)	4.2(2)
C(31)	-0.0067(04)	0.2221(03)	0.5516(04)	2.8(1)
C(32)	0.0285(04)	0.2661(04)	0.6786(04)	3.6(2)
C(33)	0.0210(05)	0.2144(04)	0.7826(05)	4.7(2)
C(34)	-0.0167(05)	0.1171(04)	0.7622(05)	4.7(2)
C(35)	-0.0536(05)	0.0723(04)	0.6373(05)	4.3(2)
C(36)	-0.0445(04)	0.1237(03)	0.5323(05)	3.6(2)
C(41)	0.0324(04)	0.2269(03)	0.3234(04)	3.0(1)
C(42)	0.1612(05)	0.2138(03)	0.3388(05)	4.0(2)
C(43)	0.1966(05)	0.1652(04)	0.2407(05)	4.7(2)
C(44)	0.1058(06)	0.1260(04)	0.1263(05)	4.9(2)
C(45)	-0.0210(06)	0.1375(04)	0.1100(05)	5.6(2)
C(46)	-0.0571(05)	0.1863(04)	0.2076(05)	4.6(2)
C(50)	-0.0032(04)	0.2803(03)	0.4351(04)	3.0(1)

 ${\bf B}_{{\bf e}{\bf q}}\,$ is the mean of the principal axes of the thermal ellipsoid.

Table XR-21. Bond distances (Å) and bond angles (degrees) for adduct 235.Estimated σ s refer to the last digit.

Bond Distances (Å)

atom	atom	distance	atom	atom	distance
S(1)	O (1)	1.509(3)	C(16)	C(17)	1.541(6)
S(1)	C (1)	1.868(4)	C(17)	C(18)	1.499(8)
S(1)	C(11)	1.867(4)	C(18)	C(19)	1.526(8)
O(2)	C(50)	1.433(4)	C(18)	C(20)	1.542(9)
C(1)	C(2)	1.521(5)	C(21)	C(22)	1.389(6)
C (1)	C(6)	1.518(5)	C(21)	C(26)	1.389(6)
C (1)	C(11)	1.512(5)	C (21)	C(50)	1.521(5)
C(2)	C(3)	1.522(6)	C(22)	C(23)	1.376(6)
C(2)	C(7)	1.525(6)	C(23)	C(24)	1.391(7)
C(3)	C(4)	1.524(6)	C(24)	C(25)	1.366(7)
C(4)	C(5)	1.534(6)	C(25)	C(26)	1.361(7)
C(4)	C(9)	1.512(6)	C (31)	C(32)	1.377(6)
C(5)	C(6)	1.520(6)	C(31)	C(36)	1.392(6)
C(6)	C(10)	1.533(6)	C(31)	C(50)	1.541(5)
C(7)	C(8)	1.531(6)	C(32)	C(33)	1.378(6)
C(8)	C(9)	1.522(7)	C(33)	C(34)	1.377(7)
C(8)	C(10)	1.522(7)	C(34)	C(35)	1.361(7)
C (11)	C(12)	1.518(6)	C(35)	C(36)	1.387(6)
C (11)	C(16)	1.521(6)	C(41)	C(42)	1.393(6)
C(12)	C(13)	1.547(7)	C (41)	C(46)	1.372(6)
C(12)	C(19)	1.535(7)	C(41)	C(50)	1.527(6)
C(13)	C(14)	1.521(8)	C(42)	C(43)	1.378(7)
C (14)	C(15)	1.513(8)	C(43)	C(44)	1.363(7)
C (14)	C(20)	1.515(8)	C(44)	C(45)	1.364(7)
C(15)	C (16)	1.545(7)	C(45)	C(46)	1.379(7)



Table XR-21. continued

Bond Angles (Degrees)

atom	atom	atom	angle	atom	atom	atom	angle
O (1)	S(1)	C(1)	109.8(2)	S(1)	C (11)	C (1)	66.1(2)
O(1)	S(1)	C(11)	109.7(2)	S(1)	C(11)	C(12)	112.7(3)
C(1)	S(1)	C(11)	47.7(2)	S(1)	C(11)	C(16)	115.4(3)
S(1)	C (1)	C(2)	113.6(3)	C (1)	C(11)	C(12)	122.5(4)
S(1)	C (1)	C(6)	113.0(3)	C (1)	C (11)	C (16)	121.6(4)
S(1)	C (1)	C (11)	66.1(2)	C (12)	C (11)	C (16)	110.4(4)
C(2)	C (1)	C(6)	110.7(3)	C (11)	C(12)	C (13)	108.9(4)
C(2)	C (1)	C(11)	122.0(3)	C (11)	C(12)	C(19)	109.8(5)
C(6)	C (1)	C(11)	122.4(3)	C(13)	C(12)	C(19)	108.8(5)
C (1)	C(2)	C(3)	110.1(4)	C (12)	C(13)	C (14)	109.0(5)
C (1)	C(2)	C (7)	108.0(3)	C (13)	C (14)	C(15)	109.6(5)
C(3)	C(2)	C(7)	108.8(4)	C(13)	C(14)	C(20)	110.4(6)
C(2)	C(3)	C(4)	110.2(4)	C(15)	C(14)	C(20)	110.3(6)
C(3)	C(4)	C(5)	108.9(4)	C(14)	C(15)	C (16)	109.8(5)
C(3)	C(4)	C(9)	109.6(4)	C (11)	C(16)	C(15)	108.4(4)
C(5)	C(4)	C(9)	109.4(4)	C (11)	C(16)	C (17)	110.4(4)
C(4)	C(5)	C(6)	110.2(4)	C(15)	C(16)	C (17)	107.2(5)
C (1)	C(6)	C(5)	110.2(4)	C (16)	C(17)	C (18)	110.4(5)
C (1)	C(6)	C (10)	107.7(4)	C (17)	C(18)	C(19)	110.3(5)
C(5)	C(6)	C(10)	109.1(4)	C (17)	C (18)	C (20)	109.2(6)
C(2)	C(7)	C(8)	109.9(4)	C(19)	C(18)	C(20)	109.5(6)
C(7)	C(8)	C(9)	109.1(4)	C(12)	C(19)	C(18)	109.6(5)
C (7)	C(8)	C (10)	108.8(4)	C (14)	C(20)	C (18)	108.5(5)
C(9)	C(8)	C (10)	111.0(4)	C(22)	C(21)	C(26)	117.2(4)
C(4)	C(9)	C(8)	109.3(4)	C(22)	C(21)	C(50)	121.2(4)
C(6)	C(10)	C(8)	109.3(4)	C(26)	C(21)	C(50)	121.5(4)
C(21)	C(22)	C(23)	120.9(5)	C (31)	C(50)	C (41)	111.0(3)
C(22)	C(23)	C(24)	120.6(5)	C(21)	C(50)	C(41)	111.9(3)
C(23)	C(24)	C(25)	118.4(5)	C(24)	C(25)	C(26)	121.1(5)
C(21)	C(26)	C(25)	121.8(5)	C(32)	C(31)	C(36)	117.9(4)

Table XR-21. continued

atom	atom	atom	angle
C(32)	C(31)	C(50)	120.8(4)
C(31)	C(32)	C(33)	120.9(5)
C(33)	C(34)	C(35)	119.4(5)
C(31)	C(36)	C(35)	120.8(5)
C(42)	C(4 1)	C(50)	119.6(4)
C(41)	C(42)	C(43)	121.3(5)
C(43)	C(44)	C(45)	118.4(5)
C(41)	C(46)	C(45)	121.9(5)
O(2)	(50)	C(31)	109.2(3)
C(21)	C(50)	C(31)	109.5(3)

atom	atom	atom	angle
a (a c)	0(01)	G(50)	101 0/1
C(36)	C(31)	C(50)	121.3(4)
C(32)	C(33)	C(34)	120.6(5)
C(34)	C(35)	C(36)	120.3(5)
C(42)	C(41)	C(46)	116.4(4)
C(46)	C(41)	C(50)	123.9(4)
C(42)	C(43)	C(44)	121.1(5)
C (44)	C(45)	C(46)	120.9(5)
O(2)	C(50)	C(21)	105.7(3)
O(2)	C(50)	C(41)	109.5(3)