9-Carbomethoxy-trans-5.6-trimethylenenorbornane (19).— The saturated acid 18 was esterified in methanol by the same procedure used for the preparation of the ester 17. The product 19 was obtained in 89% yield as a colorless oil: bp 126-127°; ir (neat) 1750 cm⁻¹ (C=O); nmr (CDCl₃) δ 3.68 (s, 3, OCH₃). Anal. Calcd for C₁₂H₁₈O₂: C, 74.17; H, 9.35. Found: C, 74.18; H, 9.51.

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Studies on Reactions of Isoprenoids. XVII.¹ The Cycloaddition Reactions of Norbornadiene with Some Unsymmetrically Substituted Dienophiles. Competitive Ionic Additions with Homo-Diels-Alder Reactions

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The reactions of norbornadiene (1) with unsymmetrically substituted acetylenic and heterodienophiles were investigated. Cyanoacetylene and N-tert-butylpropiolamide as acetylenic dienophiles gave only homo-Diels-Alder adducts 3a and 3b, respectively, while chlorocyanoacetylene afforded 2 + 2 cycloadduct 4 and its skeletal rearrangement product 5 via an ionic intermediate 7 together with homo-Diels-Alder adduct 3c. Phenylacetylene, chloropropiolamide, and dimethylaminocyanoacetylene did not afford any isolable adducts. The reaction of 1 with methylenebisurethane in the presence of boron trifluoride etherate afforded 8-aza-5-cyclane (10) and the 3-aminonortricyclene derivative 11, while that with benzalbisurethane gave only 3-nortricyclylurethane (12). Anhydrochloralurethane did not afford any adduct.

We have previously reported 1,4-cycloaddition reactions of some monoterpenoid diene and triene systems.^{1,2} As an extension of these studies, this paper deals with cycloaddition of homoconjugated norbornadiene (1) and unsymmetrically substituted acetylenic and heterodienophiles. It is well known that 1 gives δ-cyclane derivatives via the homo-Diels-Alder ($_{\pi}2_{\rm s}$ + π^{2} s + π^{2} s cycloaddition) reaction, $\pi^{3,4}$ and quadricyclane (6) affords tricyclo [4.2.1.0^{2,5}]non-7-ene derivatives via the bishomodiene addition (π^{2} s + σ^{2} a + σ^{2} a cycloaddition) π^{5} as the thermally allowed process under the Woodward-Hoffmann orbital symmetry rules.6 However, only reactions of 1 with symmetrically substituted active acetylenes such as dimethyl acetylenedicarboxylate and dicyanoacetylene seem to have been studied.4 In order to know the chemical behavior of the homoconjugated diene system of 1 with dienophiles that are strongly perturbed by substituents, we have investigated the reactions of 1 with cyanoacetylene (2a), N-tert-butylpropiolamide (2b), chlorocyanoacetylene (2c), phenylacetylene (2d), chloropropiolamide (2e), and dimethylaminocyanoacetylene (2f) as well

as those with the heterodienophiles N-ethoxycarbonylimines 9a, 9b, and 9c.

Results and Discussion

An equimolar mixture of 1 and 2a was heated under the conditions shown in Table I. The product 3a

TABLE I THE YIELD OF 3a UNDER VARIOUS CONDITIONS

		Temp,	Time,	Yield , a
Solvent	Addenda	$^{\circ}\mathrm{C}$	hr	%
None	None	160	28	31
None	None	145	40	31
Benzene	None	90	69	26
None	AlCl_{3^b}	80	70	9
Benzene	$\mathrm{CuBr}_{2}{}^{b}$	80	240	Trace

^a Isolated yield. ^b Trace-0.3 molar equiv amounts were examined but the results were similar.

was isolated as a colorless liquid by distillation. The best yield was obtained by heating the reactants without solvent or any addenda at 145-160°, while the presence of aluminum chloride or copper(II) bromide lowered the yields considerably.^{7,8}

The structure of 3a was determined as 8-cyano-δcyclene (8-cyanotetracyclo [4.3.0.0.2,403,7]non-8-ene)9 on the basis of analytical and spectral data. The nmr spectrum (CCl₄, 60 MHz) revealed a doublet at τ 3.15

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due to the C-9 vinyl proton and two characteristic multiplets at τ 8.18 and 8.53 due to C₄ H and C₂ and C₃ cyclopropyl methine protons supporting the assigned structure (Scheme I).

The reaction of 1 with 2b at 165° for 100 hr afforded also 8-N-tert-butylearbamoyl-δ-cyclene (3b) in very low yield, but no other isolable products were obtained (Scheme I).

In contrast to the behavior of 2a and 2b, chlorocvanoacetylene (2c) reacted with 1 under milder conditions (80° for 30 hr). Unexpectedly, at least four products were produced in a 60:10:30:<1 ratio on vpc analysis. The major products 3c, 4, and 5 were isolated in 40, 6, and 20% yields, respectively, by preparative vpc. All of these products were 1:1 adducts from analytical and mass spectral data. The mass spectra showed M^+ and M^- 2 ion peaks at m/e 177 and 179 in 3:1 ratio, supporting the molecular formula of C₁₀H₈NCl. The presence of a cyano group in 3c, 4, and 5 was demonstrated by ir absorptions at 2250, 2260, and 2300 cm⁻¹, respectively. Compound **3c** was shown to be 8-cyano-9-chloro-δ-cyclene, a homo-Diels-Alder adduct by its characteristic nmr signals (CDCl₃) at τ 7.08 and 7.20 (broad s, C_1 and C_7 H), 7.65 (broad s, C_6 H), 8.10 (m, C_4 H), 8.35 (m, C_2 and C_3 H), and 8.38 $(t, J = 1 \text{ Hz}, C_5 \text{ methylene protons}).$

Compound 4 was determined to be exo-3-cyano-4-chlorotricyclo [4.2.1.0^{2,5}] nona-3,7-diene, a 2+2 adduct, from its characteristic nmr signals at τ 3.82 (m, C_7 and C_8 vinyl protons), 7.28 (broad s, methine protons at C_1 , C_2 , C_5 , and C_6), and 8.45 (broad s, C_9 methylene protons). The assigned structure 4 was verified by an alternative synthesis via the bishomodiene type cycloaddition of quadricyclane 6 to 2c at 80° in benzene. 10

Compound 5 exhibited two broad singlet signals at τ 3.85 (2) and 6.92 (2) assignable to the C₇ and C₈ vinyl protons and to the C₆ and C₉ bridgehead protons respectively, a pair of double doublets at τ 6.15 and 7.20, and an unsymmetrically split AB type quartet

(10) No other products were detected on vpc analysis in this reaction.

centered at τ 8.15. The latter signals were assignable to the C₁ and C₄ methine protons, and to the C₅ methylene protons (H_n and H_x), respectively, on the basis of the coupling constants ($J_{1,4} = 8.0, J_{1,3} = 2.0, J_{4,\text{Hn}} = 1.5, J_{\text{Hn},\text{Hx}} = 10.2, J_{\text{Hx},6} = 4.5, J_{\text{Hx},7} = 1.5 \text{ Hz}$). Two structures, 2-chloro-3-cyano- (5) and 2-cyano-3-chlorotricyclo[4.3.0.0^{4,9}]nona-2,7-diene (5') were compatible with the nmr data. However, because nucleophilic addition to 2c occurs always at the β position of the cyano group, 11 the structure was concluded to be 5 (Scheme II).

The formation of 4 and 5 suggests that an ionic cycloaddition initiated by an exo approach of 2c to 1 is competing with the homo-Diels-Alder reaction. The ionic character of the cycloaddition to give 4 and 5 was demonstrated by the solvent effect on the product ratio as summarized in Table II. The formation of 5

Table II Solvent Effect on the Reaction of 1 and $2c^a$

Solvent	Product ratio, %b				
	3 c	4	5	Other?	
None	60	10	30	<1	
Benzene	50	9	38	3	
Acetonitrile	26	2	64	8	

^a An equimolar mixture was heated at 80° for 40 hr. ^b Based on vpc analyses. ^c Unidentified.

was favored in polar acetonitrile, while those of **3c** and **4** was favored in nonpolar benzene. This fact could be explained reasonably by assuming the initial formation of a zwitterionic intermediate 7 or more precisely its homoallylic type equivalent which can cyclize to **4** directly and to **5** after a Wagner-Meerwein rearrangement ¹² (Scheme II). The facility of the rearrangement in the polar solvent decreases the yields of **4** and **3c**. The possibility that **3c**, **4**, and **5** interconvert was excluded by the fact that all of these

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products were stable even on heating at 80° for 40 hr in acetonitrile.

In the reaction of 1 with other unsymmetrical acetylenes such as 2d (150°, 100 hr), 2e (90°, 30 hr), and 2f (80°, 40 hr), no well-defined adducts could be isolated; only intractable side products were produced or unreacted starting materials were recovered.

The reaction of 1 with 9a was carried out in the usual way by heating a benzene solution of methylenebisurethane in the presence of boron trifluoride etherate. Work-up afforded two major products, 10 and 11, in 18.5 and 63% yields, respectively. Compound 10 was a 1:1 adduct from its analysis and mass spectrum, M^+ at m/e 193, and was deduced to be N-ethoxycarbonyl-8-aza- δ -cyclane from the nmr signals at τ 5.90 (unsymmetrical q, J=7.5 Hz, CO₂CH₂CH₃ and C₇ H), 6.52 and 6.72 (AB q, J=9.0 Hz, C₃ methylene), 7.65 (broad s, C₁ H), 8.08 (broad s, C₆ H), 8.41 (s, C₅ methylene), and 8.75 (unsymmetrical t, J=7.5 Hz, CO₂CH₂CH₃ and cyclopropane ring protons).

Compound 11, $C_{14}H_{22}O_4N_2$, had a M⁺ ion peak at m/e 282 in the mass spectrum and nmr signals at τ 5.15 (broad d, J=5.5 Hz, disappeared on deuteration, two NH), 5.88 (q, J=7.5 Hz, two $CO_2CH_2CH_3$), 6.40 (d, t, J=6.5 and 1.5 Hz, broad s on deuteration, C_3H), 14 6.92 (t, J=7.0 Hz, d, J=7.0 Hz after deuteration, CHCH₂NH), 7.85–8.20 (triplet overlapping a broad singlet, J=ca. 7 Hz, the triplet being further split into unsymmetrical triplets with J=ca. 1 Hz, C_5H and C_4H), and 8.4–9.0 (m, overlapping a triplet, J=7.5 Hz, two $CO_2CH_2CH_3$ and other ring protons). Hence, the structure was assigned as 3-N-ethoxycarbonylamino-5-N-ethoxycarbonylaminomethyltricyclo-[2.2.1.0^{2,6}]heptane (11) (Scheme III). The stereo-

chemistry at C₅ and C₃ could not be determined, though an exo orientation of the CH₂NHCO₂CH₂CH₃ group is logical considering that 11 should be produced by exo addition of 9a to 1 followed by addition of urethane. 10 is apparently formed *via* an endo approach of 9a to 1. The very low yield of 10 in the above reaction was somewhat improved by using addenda (10 wt %) such as copper(II) chloride and bromide to afford 30 and 51%, and 32 and 46%, yields of 10 and 11, respectively.

The reaction of 1 with benzalbisurethane under identical conditions resulted in the formation of only 12, an adduct of urethane to 1,15 indicating much less reactivity of 9b than 9a. A trace amount of 12 was also produced in the reaction with methylenebisurethane.

Anhydrochloralurethane 9c^{16,17} gave no adducts to 1 on heating at 80° for 6 hr in benzene.

Comparison of the above results with those reported for symmetrical dienophiles is of interest in view of the homo-Diels-Alder reactivity of 1. The fact that even an acetylenic dienophile like 2c affords considerable amounts of cycloadducts such as 4 and 5 different from the homo-Diels-Alder adduct suggests that the unsymmetrical nature of the dienophiles is one of the important factors in determining the products, since tetracyanoethylene, a very strong symmetrical dienophile, affords quantitatively the corresponding homo-Diels-Alder adduct with 1, while competitive 1,2 and 1,4 cycloadditions are well known in the reaction of tetracyanoethylene with dienes. 18,19 Furthermore, in the reaction with cyclopentadiene, 2c affords the normal 1,4 cycloadduct, 2-cyano-3-chloronorbornadiene, in over 73% yield.20

Experimental Section²¹

General Procedure for the Reactions of 1 with Dienophiles.—An equimolar mixture of freshly distilled norbornadiene and a dienophile²² was heated in a sealed tube under an atmosphere of nitrogen (see Tables I and II).

8-Cyano-5-cyclene (3a).—This was obtained by distillation under reduced pressure of the crude reaction product from 1 and 2a as a colorless oil: bp 122-124° (27 mm); n^{19} D 1.5342; ir (neat) 3060 (cyclopropane), 2250 (CN), 1575 and 1460 (norbornene), and 795 cm⁻¹ (nortricyclene); uv max (EtOH) 224 nm (ϵ 7100); nmr (CCl₄) τ 3.15 (d, J = 3.3 Hz, 1, C₉ H), 7.20 (m, 2, C₁ and C₁ H₇), 7.84 (broad s, 1, C₆ H), 8.18 (m, 1, C₄ H), 8.35 (t, J = 1 Hz, 2, C₅ H), and 8.53 (m, 2, C₂ and C₃ H); mass spectrum m/e (rel intensity) 143 (84, M⁺), 142 (73), 116 (100, M — HCN) 115 (83) and 91 (40)

M - HCN), 115 (83), and 91 (40). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_0N$: C, 83.88; H, 6.34; N, 9.78. Found: C, 84.04; H, 6.35; N, 9.61.

8-N-tert-Butylcarbamoyl-δ-cyclene (3b).—A dark brownish, sticky product obtained from 1 and 2b was purified on a silica gel column eluting with chloroform-methanol to afford 3b in 9.3% yield as colorless crystals: mp 152-156°; ir (KBr) 3340, 1630, 1580, 814, and 792 cm⁻¹; uv max (EtOH) 240 nm (ε 3400);

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nmr (CDCl₃) τ 3.46 (d, J=3.2 Hz, 1, C₉ H), 4.70 (s, 1, NH), 7.14 and 7.32 (m, 2, C₇ and C₁ H), 7.90 (broad s, 1, C₆ H), 8.22 (m, 1, C₄ H), 8.49 (m, 2, C₂ and C₃ H), and 8.60 (s, 11, C₅ H and CH₀).

Anal. Calcd for C14H19NO: C, 77.38; H, 8.81; N, 6.45. Found: C, 77.12; H, 8.83; N, 6.68.

8-Cyano-9-chloro-δ-cyclene (3c), exo-3-Cyano-4-chlorotricyclo-[4.2.1.0^{2,5}]nona-3,7-diene (4), and 2-Chloro-3-cyanotricyclo [4.3.-0.04,9]nona-2,7-diene (5).—The reaction product of 1 with 2c could not be extensively pruified by a fractional distillation under reduced pressure, and hence preparative vpc separation was performed at 150° on a silicone SE-30 column (20 ft × 0.375 in.). The first peak afforded 4 in 6% yield as a colorless oil which on standing crystallized: mp 36-37°; ir (KBr) 2260 and 1610 cm⁻¹; uv max (EtOH) 228 (infl) and 248 nm (\$\epsilon\$ 1700); mass spectrum m/e (rel intensity) 179 (0.3, M + 2), 177 (1, M+), 142 (16, M - Cl), 115 (46, M - HCN), 66 (57, cyclopentadiene), and 51 (100, cyanoacetylene).

Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_8NCl$: C, 67.62; H, 4.54; N, 7.88. Found: C, 67.52; H, 4.67; N, 7.70. The second peak afforded 3c in 40% yield as colorless crystals:

mp 40-42°; ir (KBr) 2250 and 1585 cm⁻¹; uv max (EtOH) 240 nm (ϵ 9100); mass spectrum m/e (rel intensity) 179 (20, M + 2),

177 (61, M^+), 142 (99, M^- Cl), and 115 (100, M^- HCN). Anal. Calcd for $C_{10}H_8NCl\colon$ C, 67.62; H, 4.54; N, 7.88. Found: C, 67.52; H, 4.67; N, 7.70.

The third peak was very weak and was not resolved well with the fourth peak, and therefore, pure material could not be ob-

The fourth peak gave 5 in 20% yield as a colorless oil: $n^{16.5}D$ 1.5524; ir (neat) 2300 and 737 cm⁻¹; uv max (EtOH) 227 and 238 nm (ϵ 800 and 490); mass spectrum m/e (rel intensity) 179 (0.3, M + 2), 177 (1, M^+), 142 (16, M - Cl), 115 (46, M - HCN), 66 (57, cyclopentadiene), and 51 (100, cyanoacetylene).

Anal. Calcd for C₁₀H₈NCl: C, 67.62; H, 4.54; N, 7.88. Found: C, 67.85; H, 4.59; N, 7.60.

Reaction of 1 with Methylenebisurethane.—To a refluxing

mixture of methylenebisurethane (9.5 g, 0.05 mol) and 47% boron trifluoride etherate (1.81 g) in dry benzene (50 ml) was added a solution of 1 (4.6 g, 0.05 mol) in dry benzene (20 ml)

slowly over a period of 3 hr and the mixture was further refluxed for 3 hr. The cooled mixture was washed with water several times and dried over sodium sulfate. Removal of the solvent gave a dark brownish residue (ca. 6 g) which was purified on a silica gel column eluting with chloroform-methanol to give N-ethoxycarbonyl-8-aza- δ -cyclane (10) as a colorless oil. This was also obtained by distillation of the crude product: bp 88-90° (0.4 mm); n^{20} D 1.5179; ir (neat) 1700, 800, and 770 cm⁻¹.

Anal. Calcd for C₁₁H₁₆NO₂: C, 68.37; H, 7.82; N, 7.25. Found: C, 68.40; H, 7.82; N, 7.22.

Further elution gave N-ethoxycarbonylamino-5-N-ethoxycarbonylaminomethyltricyclo[2.2.1.0^{2,6}]heptane (11) as colorless crystals: mp 130-131°; ir (KBr) 3260, 1700, 805, and 782

Anal. Calcd for C14H22N2O4: C, 59.55; H, 7.85; N, 9.92. Found: C, 59.69; H, 7.84; N, 9.76.

Reaction of 1 with Benzalbisurethane.—The reaction was carried out as above. Work-up afforded only 3-nortricyclylurethane (12) in ca. 50% yield as colorless crystals, mp 61-64° (lit.15 mp 64°); there was no depression of the mixture melting point with an authentic sample.

Reaction of 1 with Anhydrochloralurethane (9c).—An equimolar mixture of 1 and 9c16 in dry benzene was heated at 80° for 6 hr. After removal of the solvent, the residue was dissolved in chloroform and was purified on a silica gel column (CHCl3-MeOH). The major product was an adduct of chloralurethane to 9c, which was isolated in 23% yield as needles: mp 164-166° (lit. 17 mp 163-164°); nmr (CDCl₃) τ 3.95-4.70 (broad m, 4, two -NHCH), 5.78 (q, 4, two CO₂CH₂CH₃), and 8.70 (t, 6, two CO₂CH₂CH₃).

Further elution gave only unidentified oily minor products.

Registry No.—1, 121-46-0; 2a, 1070-71-9; 2b, 22237-84-9; 2c, 2003-31-8; 2d, 536-74-3; 2e, 33064-30-1; **2f**, 28112-07-4; **3a**, 34627-34-4; **3b**, 34627-35-5; **3c**, 34627-36-6; **4**, 34627-45-7; **5**, 34627-37-7; 34627-38-8; **9b**, 27593-62-0; **9c**, 16723-30-1; 34627-41-3; 11, 34627-42-4.

Palladium-Catalyzed Vinylic Hydrogen Substitution Reactions with Aryl, Benzyl, and Styryl Halides

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Aryl, benzyl, and styryl halides react with olefinic compounds in the presence of a hindered amine and a catalytic amount of palladium metal to form vinylic derivatives in which the aryl, benzyl, or styryl group has replaced a vinylic hydrogen of the original olefin. The reactions occur readily at 100° and yields are generally

Mizoroki¹ and coworkers have recently reported a palladium-catalyzed arylation reaction of olefinic compounds with aryl iodides and potassium acetate in methanol at 120°. We have independently discovered this reaction and find that it can be carried out under much more convenient laboratory conditions than were used by Mizoroki and that the reaction provides an extremely convenient method for preparing a variety of olefinic compounds.

The reaction is undoubtedly closely related to the known olefinic arylations and alkylations achieved at room temperature or below with palladium salts2,3 using organomercury, -tin, or -lead compounds rather than organic halides. While the known reactions are

very useful, they suffer from two major difficulties. There is often a problem of obtaining the necessary organomercury, -lead, or -tin compounds and there is the problem of working with thick slurries of salts, particularly if the reaction is carried out catalytically in palladium. This new method eliminates both difficulties.

Results and Discussion

It is well known that Pd[P(C6H5)3]4 reacts readily with a variety of organic halides to form oxidative addition products of the type $[P(C_6H_5)_3]_2Pd(X)R.^{4,5}$ In the reaction reported herein, a similar oxidative addition apparently occurs between palladium metal (formed by an in situ reduction of the palladium acetate initially

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