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New methods for the asymmetric synthesis of organophosphorus compounds were developed and applied for the preparation of a number of biologically important enantiomerically pure products.

Keywords Asymmetric induction; asymmetric reduction; chiral hydroxyphosphonates; stereoselectivity

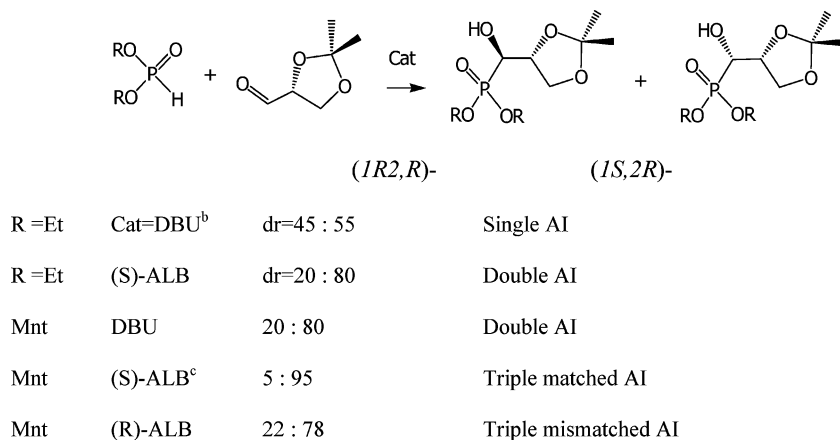
INTRODUCTION

The account is devoted to development of highly stereoselective methods and reagents and their application for the asymmetric synthesis of enantiomerically pure organophosphorus compounds.^{1–12}

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Strategy of *multistereoselectivity* is an effective method to increase the stereoselectivity of organic reactions¹ that is achieved by summarizing of asymmetric inductions. Additive effect of asymmetric inductions of several asymmetric centers participating synchronously in one reactionary process was observed in the reaction of (R)-glyceraldehyde acetonide with chiral dialkylphosphites in the presence of chiral binol catalysts. Absolute configurations of (R)-glyceraldehyde, (1*R*,2*S*,5*R*)-menthyl groups, and (S)-binol acted in coordination to increase the total stereoselectivity of reaction, whereas the absolute configuration of (R)-glyceraldehyde, (1*R*,2*S*,5*R*)-menthyl groups and (R)-binol decreased the stereoselectivity of reaction.^{2,3}

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ALB = Al-Li-bis(binaphthoxide)

SCHEME 1 Single, double, and triple asymmetric induction.

The absolute configurations of reaction products were determined by NMR spectra, and X-ray crystal analysis. It was shown, that the stereochemistry of phospho-aldol reaction proceeds according to the Cram's rule (Figure 1).

The method was applied for the synthesis of organophosphorus analogues of taxoids.⁴ The chiral 1-hydroxy-2-aminophosphonic acids were used for modification of 10-deacetylbaccatin III in the synthesis of new taxoids - potential anticancer agents (Scheme 2).

The reduction of ketophosphonates with a reagent prepared from sodium borohydride and tartaric acid yields (S) and (R)-enantiomers

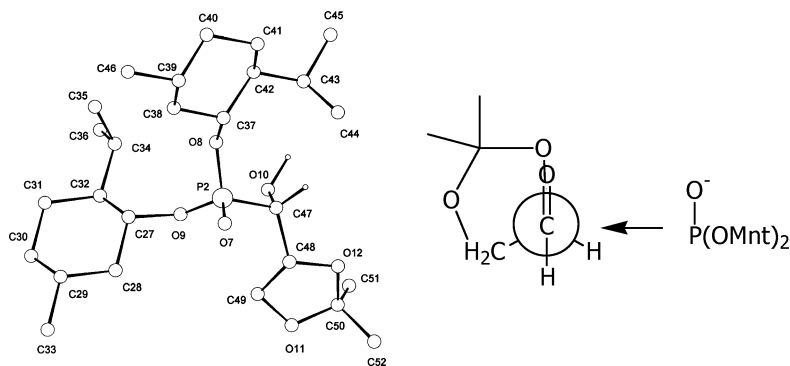
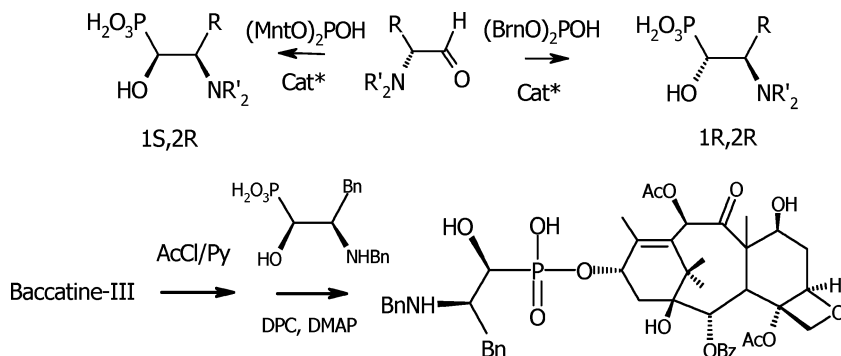
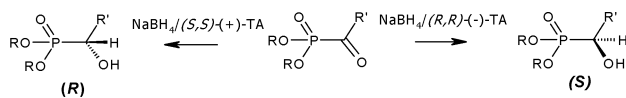


FIGURE 1 Stereochemistry of phospho-aldol reaction.



SCHEME 2 Synthesis of phosphono-taxoid.

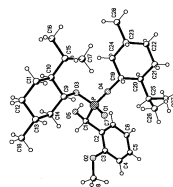
of hydroxyphosphonates with high stereoselectivity.⁵ Reductions of dimethyl ketophosphonates yielded (1*S*)-hydroxybenzylphosphonates (I) with 80–96% de. High stereoselectivity of reduction of dimethyl arylketophosphonates is explained by effect of a double asymmetric induction because in this case are summarized asymmetric an induction of menthyl groups and tartaric acid. The asymmetric induction (1*R*,2*S*,5*R*)-menthyl groups and (*R,R*)-tartaric acid increased the resultant stereoselectivity whereas the asymmetric induction of (1*R*,2*S*,5*R*)-menthyl groups and (*S,S*)-tartaric acid acted non-coordinated to reduce the resultant stereoselectivity Hydroxyphosphonates (S)-(IV) were purified by crystallization from acetonitrile and were obtained with ~100% de. The reductions of ketophosphonates with NaBH₄/(*R,R*)-TA resulted in the formation of (*S*)-hydroxyphosphonates, and the reductions by NaBH₄/(*S,S*)-TA yielded (*R*)-hydroxyphosphonates (Scheme 3).

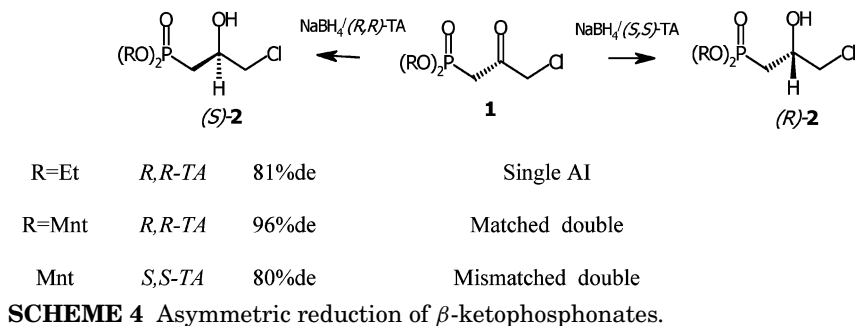


Et	Ph	<i>R,R</i>	80	<i>S</i>	Single
Mnt	Ph	<i>R,R</i>	92.5	<i>S</i>	Matched double AI
Mnt	Ph	<i>S,S</i>	46	<i>R</i>	Mismatched double AI

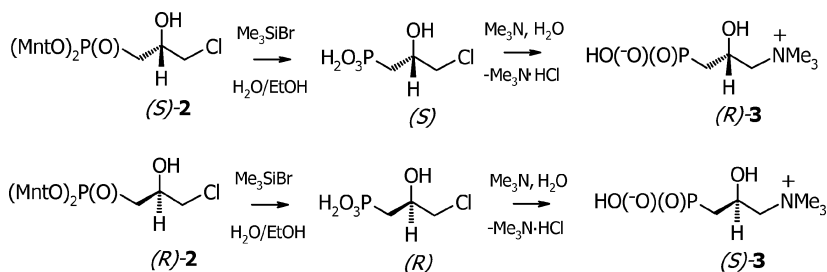
SCHEME 3 Asymmetric reduction of α -ketophosphonates.

Optically pure dimethyl(2*R*)- and (2*S*)-2-hydroxy-3-chloropropylphosphonates **2** were synthesized by reaction of the ketophosphonate **1** with the chiral complex NaBH₄/TA (Scheme 4).⁷

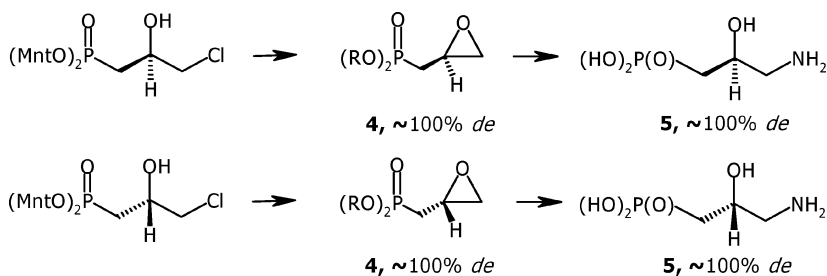




The reduction of the ketophosphonate with this complex proceeded under the control of double asymmetric induction and resulted in the formation of the hydroxyphosphonates with high optical and chemical yields.^{7–11} The compounds **2** were isolated as a crystalline stereochemically pure substance with $\sim 100\%$ *de* and used for the preparation of a number of enantiomerically pure products, such as both optical antipodes of phospho-carnitine (Scheme 5) and γ -amino- β -hydroxybutyric acid (phospho-GABOB) (Scheme 6), 2,3-aziridinopropylphosphonate, 2,3-epoxypropylphosphonate, etc in multigramme scale.

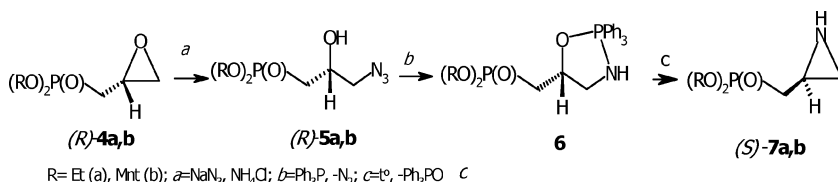


SCHEME 5 Asymmetric synthesis of (*R*)- and (*S*)-phospho-carnitines.



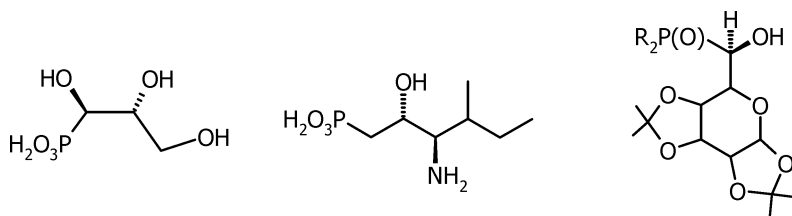
SCHEME 6 Asymmetric synthesis of (*R*)-phospho-GABOB.

The epoxide **4** was converted consequently into azides **5a,b** and aziridines **7a, b**. To the best of our knowledge, optically active 2,3-aziridinoalkylphosphonates have not been earlier reported in the literature. The reaction of azidophosphonate **5a,b** with triphenylphosphine at room temperature proceeded via the formation of unstable intermediate **6** bearing pentacoordinated phosphorus. In ^{31}P NMR spectra of the intermediate **6** were found two signals: P–55.1 (pentacoordinated phosphorus) and +26.9 ppm (tetracoordinated phosphorus) according to the structure of this compound. At heating **6** converts into triphenylphosphine oxide and aziridinophosphonate **7a, b** which were isolated in good yield. The aziridinophosphonate (*S*)-**7a** was purified by distillation under vacuum and isolated as colorless liquid (Scheme 7).



SCHEME 7 Asymmetric synthesis of aziridinophosphonate.

Using the developed methods were synthesized the phosphor-threonine acid, phosphorus analogues of statin, phosphorus derivatives of galactoso-phosphates (Scheme 8).^{10–12}



SCHEME 8 Chiral functionalized phosphonic acids.

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