Synthesis of Highly Functional Carbamates through Ring-Opening of Cyclic

Carbonates with Unprotected a-Amino Acids in Water

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Experimental

1,5-Hexadiene-3,4-diol, mixture of (±) and meso. The applied synthetic procedure was inspired by the reductive coupling developed by Hekmatshoar⁶ and applied by Trost et al.⁷ for the synthesis of 1,5-Hexadiene-3,4-diol, mixture of (±) and meso with some alterations. Acrolein (45 ml, 0.674 mol) was dissolved in 400 ml THF, followed by addition of acetic acid (50 ml, 0.841 mol). The solution was stirred for 5 minutes followed by rapid addition of granulated Zink(0) (50g, 0.765) ,the solution was left to stir over night (18 h). The crude reaction mixture was filtered the and the solute was concentrated followed by distillation to yield 33.1 g (77 %) of the desired product at a purity of 90 % as determined from ¹H NMR. The target compound was used without any further purification. ¹H (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 5.94-5.84 (m, 2H), 5.42-5.24 (m, 4H), 4.25-4.00 (m,2H)

Cis-1,2-divinylethylene carbonate and trans-1,2-divinylethylene carbonate (DVC). The synthesis of 1,2-divinylethylene carbonate was performed in accordance with the procedure developed by Braun with some alterations.⁸ 1,5-Hexadien-3,4-diol (8 g, 70 mmol) was dissolved in Diethyl carbonate (17 ml, 140 mmol) together with 10 mol% of NaH, 60% in a mineral oil dispersion (0.29 g, 7mmol in a 50 ml round bottom flask and equipped with a reflux-condenser. The reaction mixture was left at 100 °C over-night followed by distillation yielding 9.1 g (76 %) of DVC at a purity 95 % as determined via ¹H NMR. ¹H (400 MHz, CDCl3): δ 5.81-5.70 (m, 2H), 5.47 (d,2H), 5.42 (d, 2H), 5.19-5.13 (m 2H).

Ring opening of cyclic carbonates with glycine

In a typical reaction; desired amount of glycine (210 mg, 2.8 mmol) was dissolved in 1 ml H_2O in a 5 ml vial equipped with a magnetic stirrer. After 5 minute TEA (0.2 ml, 1.4 mmol) was added to the solution and let to stir for 10 minutes. The stirring rate was increases and the desired carbonate (0.7 mmol) was added in one shot at ambient temperature. The reaction was let to proceed for 2h, followed by direct precipitation in 20 ml a THF:MeOH 3:1 mixture. The solute was collected and concentrated giving the desired carbamate as a TEA-adduct. In order to remove the TEA the product was passed through a silicaplug, EtOAc:AcOH 20:1, giving the carbamate

Cis and Trans (((4-hydroxyhexa-1,5-dien-3-yl)oxy)carbonyl)glycine. Procedure according to above, TEA-adduct (0.63:1) 152 mg (yield 95% as a yellow oil), after silica-plug 100 mg (yield 81 % as a yellow oil) ¹H NMR. ¹H (400 MHz, D_2O): δ 5.97-5.85 (m, 2H), 5.40-5.29 (m, 4H), 5.17-5.11 (m, 1H), 5.39-5.31 (m, 1H), 3.93 (d, 2H). ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, MeOD-d4): 172.4, 157.3, 136.8, 133.7, 132.4, 117.2, 117.1, 116.1, 78.2, 77.9, 74.1, 73.9, 42.0 HRMS (ESI): calculated for C9H13NO5Na: 238.0691; found 238.0686

(((1-hydroxybut-3-en-2-yl)oxy)carbonyl)glycine [1], (((2-hydroxybut-3-en-1-yl)oxy)carbonyl)glycine [2]Procedure according to above, TEA-adduct (0.44:1) 150 mg (yield 91% as a light yellow oil), after silicaplug 100 mg (yield 75 % as a light yellow oil) the product ration was determined via ¹H NMR as [1] 36 % and [2] 64 %. ¹H (400 MHz, D₂O): δ 5.89-5.75 (m, 1H), 5.33-5.19 (m, 2H), 5.09-5.07 (m, 0.36 H), 4.34-4.32 (m, 0.64 H), 4.11 (dd, 0.64 H), 3.97 (dd, 0.64 H), 3.85 (d, 2H), 3.69 (dd, 0.36 H), 3.60 (dd, 0.36H) ¹³C NMR

(100 MHz, MeOD-d4): 173.6, 159.0, 158.5, 138.3, 135.2, 117.7, 116.7, 77.5, 71.8, 69.5, 64.8, 43.1 HRMS (ESI) calculated for C7H11NO5Na: 212.0535; found 212.0529

(((1-hydroxypropan-2-yl)oxy)carbonyl)glycine [3], ((2-hydroxypropoxy)carbonyl)glycine [4] Procedure according to above, TEA-adduct (0.53:1) 160 mg (yield 96% as a transparent oil), after silica-plug 105mg (yield 83 % as a transparent oil) the product ratio was determined via ¹H NMR as [1] 60 % and [2] 40 %. ¹H (400 MHz, 1:1 D₂O:MeOD mixture): δ 4.77 (td, 0.89 H), 3.95 (m, 1.23 H), 3.82 (d, 2 H), 3.55 (d, 1.23 H), 1.21 (d, 1.87 H), 1.20 (m, 1.20 H) ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, MeOD-d4): 173.7, 173.6, 159.1, 158.9, 73.6, 71.0, 66.7, 65.8, 43.1, 19.5, 16.8 HRMS (ESI): calculated for C6H11NO5Na: 200.0535; found 200.0535

((2-hydroxyethoxy)carbonyl)glycine Procedure according to above, TEA-adduct (0.40:1) 149 mg (yield 95 % as a transparent oil), after silica-plug 97 mg (yield 83 % as a transparent oil) after purification through the silica plug it was observed the formation of a side product constituting of the condensation reaction between the carboxylic acid and the primary alcohol ¹H (400 MHz, 1:1 D₂O:MeOD mixture): δ 4.12 (t, 2H), 3.82 (s, 2 H), 3.71 (t, 2 H), ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, MeOD-d4): 173.7, 159.2, 67.7, 61.4, 43.1 HRMS (ESI): calculated for C5H9NO5Na: 186.0378; found 186.0375

Kinetic evaluation

General procedure: Desired amount of Glycine(GLY) and triethylamine (TEA) was dissolved in 1 ml of D_2O followed by rapid addition of the desired amount of 1,5-Hexadiene-3,4-diol, mixture of (±) and meso (DVC). At specified time periods aliquot of specified times aliquots of 50 µL was withdrawn and the reaction kinetics was quenched with addition of 5 ekv. AcOH in respect to TEA, subsequent followed by analysis by ¹H NMR.

Kinetic data not included in the manuscript.





Figure S1. Initial evaluation of the ring-opening behavior of DVC with the methylester of glycine in different solvent with a reaction ratio of [GLY-OMe]:[DVC]:[TEA] = 1:1:1

Only the formation of other products beside hydrolysis was evaluated. It was observed that these reaction conditions produced a mixture of products arising from the nucleophilic action of the free amine and methyl ester within the system.



Figure S2. Ring-Opening behavior with increased amount of TEA in relation to GLY and DVC



Figure S3. Ring-Opening behavior at different equivalents



Figure S4. Ring-Opening behavior at different equivalents



Figure S5. Ring-Opening behavior at different equivalents

Different substrates



Illustration of the synthetic protocol during the synthesis of ((2hydroxyethoxy)carbonyl)glycine









Figure S8. ¹HNMR on the precipitate, containing only unreacted glycine



Figure S9. ¹HNMR on the concentrated solute after the precipitation



Figure S10. ¹HNMR on the obtained product after silica-plug, showing appearance of a side product belied to arise from the condensation of the free carboxylic acid and the alcohol during solvent evaporation.



Figure S11. ¹³CNMR on the obtained product after silica plug



Figure S12. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C5H9NO5Na: 186.0378; found 186.0375

Synthesis of (((1-hydroxypropan-2-yl)oxy)carbonyl)glycine and ((2-hydroxypropoxy)carbonyl)glycine



Figure S13. ¹H NMR on the concentrated solute after the precipitation



Figure S14. ¹HNMR on the obtained product after silica-plug



Figure S15. ¹³CNMR on the obtained product after silica plug



Figure S16. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C6H11NO5Na: 200.0535; found 200.0535

Synthesis of (((1-hydroxybut-3-en-2-yl)oxy)carbonyl)glycine and (((2-hydroxybut-3-en-1-yl)oxy)carbonyl)glycine



Figure S17. ¹HNMR on the concentrated solute after the precipitation



Figure S18. ¹HNMR on the obtained product after silica-plug



Figure S19. ¹³CNMR on the obtained product after silica plug



Figure S20. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C7H11NO5Na: 212.0535; found 212.0529



Figure S21 Possible product outcome from the ring opening behavior of DVC and GLY



Figure S22. ¹H NMR on the concentrated solute after the precipitation



Figure S23. ¹H NMR on the obtained product after silica plug



Figure S24. ¹³CNMR on the obtained product after silica plug



Figure S25. HRMS (ESI) calculated for C9H13NO5Na: 238.0691; found 238.0686



Figure S26 ¹HNMR on the obtained product after silica-plug



Figure S27 ¹HNMR on the on the crude product



Figure S28 ¹HNMR on the on the crude product



Figure S29 ¹HNMR on the on the crude product

Carbonyl activation

The carbonyl activation was studied on the change in chemical shift for the carbons related to the ethylene carbonate at different equivalents of glycine with acetonitrile as an internal standard, figure



Figure S30. Displaying the envisioned activation of the carbonyl carbon with the zwitterionic glycine substrate.



Glycine to Ethylene carbonate ratio 1.1

Figure S31. ¹H NMR example of ratio determination between GLY and EC



Figure S32. ¹³C NMR shift of the ethylene carbon



Figure S33. ¹³C NMR shift of the carbonyl carbon

Table S1 Change in chemical shift for EC in the presence of GLY

Sample	Ratio	(a) ppm	(b) ppm
1	1.1	158.80	66.45
2	0.54	158.86	66.48
3	1.9	158.75	66.41
4	0.25	158.90	66.50
5	4.0	158.78	66.42
6	0	158.94	66.53

Table S2 Change in chemical shift for EC in the presence of GLY-OMe

Sample	Ratio	(a) ppm	(b) ppm
1	1.28	158.85	66.21
2	0.60	158.87	66.51
3	2.54	158.69	66.46
4	0.30	159.02	66.57
5	3.57	158.59	66.43
6	0	158.94	66.53