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Versatile etherification of alcohols with allyl alcohol by a titanium oxide-supported molybdenum oxide catalyst: gradual generation from titanium oxide and molybdenum oxide

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1. Screening of reaction temperature

Table S1. Influence of the reaction temperature for the reaction of allyl alcohol (1) and 1-octanol (3) using $MoO_3 + TiO_2$.

	+	unt	$MoO_3 (9 mg) + TiO_2 (90 mg)$	\gg
✓ 10H		HUN 7	temp., 3 h	
4 mmol		1 mmol		

Oil bath Temp.	Conversion of	Yield of allyl octyl	Selectivity ^b
(Inside Temp.)	1-octanol (3) ^{a}	ether (4) ^{<i>a</i>}	
(°C)	(%)	(%)	(%)
130 (101)	70	65	92
140 (103)	92	86	93
150 (107)	92	81	88

Reaction conditions: **1** (4.0 mmol), **3** (1.0 mmol), 500 rpm, 3 h, unless otherwise stated. ^{*a*} Conversion and yield on the basis of **3**, determined by GC analysis using biphenyl as an internal standard. ^{*b*} Selectivity = (yield of **4**) / (conversion of **3**) x 100.

2. Reaction profile about etherification

Table S2. Etherification of allyl alcohol (1) and 1-octanol (3) using $MoO_3 + TiO_2$ and MoO_3 -TiO₂ catalysts.

	Мо	O ₃ (9 mg) + TiO ₂ (90 mg) or	
\leq	here + hot =	MoO ₃ -TiO ₂ (99 mg)	>~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~~
1	3	103 °C	 ✓ 0 (¹/₇) 4
4 mmo	ol 1 mmol		
Entry	Time (h)	Conversion of 3	Yield of 4 (%) ^{<i>a</i>}
		(%) <i>a</i>	
1^b	0.2	1	0
2^b	0.5	31	28
3^b	1.0	78	75
4^b	2.0	86	83
5^b	3.0	90	86
6^c	0.2	55	52
7^c	0.5	87	84
8^c	1.0	93	87
9^c	3.0	93	87
10^d	0.15	10	5
11^d	0.5	30	25
12^d	1.0	42	37
13^d	3.0	72	63
14^d	5.0	75	65

Reaction conditions: **1** (4.0 mmol), **3** (1.0 mmol), 500 rpm, 3 h, unless otherwise stated. ^{*a*} Conversion and yield on the basis of **3**, determined by GC analysis using biphenyl as an internal standard. ^{*b*} reaction using MoO₃ + TiO₂. ^{*c*} reaction using MoO₃-TiO₂ after calcination at 500 °C for 3 h. ^{*d*} reaction using MoO₃-TiO₂ without calcination.



Fig. S1. Time course reaction profile of etherification of 1 and 3 using MoO_3 -TiO₂ catalyst without calcination (a second cycle).



3. NH₃-TPD analyses of MoO₃-TiO₂, MoO₃-SiO₂, and MoO₃-Al₂O₃.

Fig. S2. NH₃-TPD analyses of MoO₃-TiO₂, MoO₃-SiO₂, and MoO₃-Al₂O₃.

4. Etherification of allyl alcohol and 1-octanethiol.



Etherification of 1-octanethiol with allyl alcohol (1) using MoO₃ and TiO₂ catalysts: A pressure-resistant glass tube equipped with a magnetic stirring bar was loaded with MoO₃ (9 mg), TiO₂ P25 (90 mg), 1 (230 mg, 4.0 mmol), and 1-octaniethiol (146 mg, 1.0 mmol). The vessel was tightly sealed by a screw cap and the mixture was stirred (500 rpm) in an oil bath maintained at 140 °C for 3 h. After the reaction, the solution was cooled to room temperature and then diluted with 12 ml of acetonitrile. Biphenyl (40 mg, 0.25 mmol) was added to the solution as an internal standard for gas chromatography (GC) analysis. The solution was placed under ultrasonic irradiation for 10 min. to ensure a good homogeneity of the mixture. The conversion and yield were determined on the basis of the analysis of the mixture by GC. The yield in allyl octyl sulfide was 77 %, the yield in allyl octyl ether (4) was 0%, the conversion of 1-octanethiol was over 99 %.

5. NMR data for compounds

Allyl octyl ether^{1: 1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *δ*= 5.97-5.87 (m, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 17.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 10.0, 1H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.58 (m, 2H), 1.38-1.18 (m, 10H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *δ*=135.1, 116.7, 71.8, 70.5, 31.8, 29.8, 29.5, 29.3, 26.2, 22.7, 14.1.

Allyl hexyl ether²: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *E* 5.97-5.87 (m, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 5.2 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.62-1.55 (m, 2H), 1.41-1.24 (m, 6H), 0.89 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *E*=135.1, 116.6, 71.8, 70.5 31.7, 29.7, 25.9, 22.6, 14.0.

Allyl decyl ether³: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 5.97-5.87 (m, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.16 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.42 (t, *J* = 6.6 Hz, 2H), 1.62-1.55 (m, 2 H), 1.39-1.21 (m, 14 H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25°C, TMS): *&*=135.1, 116.6, 71.8, 70.5 31.9, 29.8, 29.6, 29.5, 29.3, 26.2, 22.7, 14.1.

Allyl (4-methoxy) butyl ether : ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 5.96⁻⁵.86 (m, 1H), 5.27 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.17 (d, *J* = 10.8 Hz, 1H), 3.96 (d, *J* = 5.6 Hz, 2H), 3.47⁻³.38 (m, 4H), 3.33 (s, 3 H), 1.67⁻¹.64 (m, 4 H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*=135.0, 116.6, 72.5, 71.7, 70.0, 58.4, 26.4, 26.4. Elemental analysis: calcd (%) for C₈H₁₆O₂: C 66.63, H 11.18; found: C 66.46, H 11.24.

Allyl 2-octyl ether : ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *E* 5.97-5.88 (m, 1H), 5.25 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.2 Hz,1H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.05-3.90 (m, 2H), 3.47-3.39 (m, 1H), 1.63-1.28 (m, 10H), 1.13 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *E*=135.6, 116.2, 74.9, 69.3, 36.7, 31.9, 29.4, 25.5, 22.6, 19.7, 14.1. Elemental analysis: calcd (%) for C₁₁H₂₂O: C 78.58, H 13.02; found: C 77.19, H 12.94.

Allyl cyclohexyl ether²: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *𝔅*= 5.98-5.88 (m, 1H),
5.27 (dd, *J* = 17.6, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.14 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.02-4.00 (m, 2H), 3.31-3.25 (m, 1H), 1.99-1.11 (m, 10H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *𝔅*= 135.7, 116.2,
68.8, 32.3, 25.8, 24.2.

Allyl phenyl ether⁴: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *b* 7.30-7.23 (m, 2H),
6.96-6.91 (m, 3H), 6.11-6.01 (m, 1H), 5.41 (d, *J* = 17.6 Hz, 1H), 5.29-5.28 (d, *J* = 10.4 Hz,
1H), 4.52 (d, *J* = 4.8 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *b* 158.5, 133.3,
129.4, 120.8, 117.6, 114.7, 68.7.

Allyl benzyl ether⁵: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *E* 7.35 − 7.26 (m, 5H), 6.00 − 5.91 (m, 1H), 5.31 (dd, *J* = 17.2, 1.2 Hz, 1H), 5.20 (d, *J* = 10.0 Hz, 1H), 4.52 (s, 2H), 4.03 (dt, *J* = 5.6, 1.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *E* 138.3, 134.7, 128.3, 127.7, 127.5, 117.1, 72.1, 71.1.

Allyl (2-phenyl) cyclohexyl ether^{6: 1}H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 7.30⁻7.17 (m, 5H), 5.62⁻5.52 (m, 1H), 4.97⁻4.95 (m, 1H), 4.94⁻4.91 (m, 1H), 3.79 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 5.6 Hz, 1H), 3.58 (dd, *J* = 13.2, 5.2 Hz, 1H), 3.37⁻3.31 (m, 1H), 2.54 (ddd, *J* = 22.0, 12.0, 3.2 Hz, 1H), 2.21–2.13 (m, 1H), 1.90–1.82 (m, 2H),1.76–1.70 (m, 1H), 1.57–1.47 (m, 1H), 1.38–1.27 (m, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 144.7, 135.4, 128.0, 127.8, 126.0, 116.0, 81.5, 70.1, 51.2, 33.8, 32.6, 26.0, 25.1.

Allyl (2-phenylthio) ethyl ether : ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 7.37-7.35 (m, 2H), 7.29-7.26 (m, 2H), 7.20-7.16 (m, 1H), 5.94-5.84 (m, 1H), 5.29-5.23 (m, 1H), 5.19-5.16 (m, 1H), 4.00-3.98 (m, 2H), 3.63 (t, *J* = 7.0 Hz, 2H), 3.12 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 136.0, 134.4, 129.3, 128.9, 126.1, 117.2, 71.9, 68.7, 33.2. Elemental analysis: calcd (%) for C₁₁H₁₄OS: C 68.00, H 7.26, S 16.50; found: C 67.68, H 7.30, S 16.61.

2-buten-1-yl octyl ether (mixture of (E), (Z) isomers)⁷: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *b*= 5.74-5.55 (m, 2H), 4.03-3.88 (m, 2H), 3.47-3.26 (m, 2H), 1.72-1.70 (m, 3H), 1.38-1.20 (m, 10H), 0.88 (t, J = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *b*=129.1, 127.8, 71.5, 70.3, 31.8, 29.8, 29.5, 29.3, 26.2, 22.7, 17.8, 14.1.

3-buten-2-yl octyl ether⁸ : ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 5.78-5.69 (m, 1H), 5.18-5.09 (m, 2H), 3.83-3.76 (m, 1H), 3.47-3.26 (m, 2H), 1.59-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.38-1.20 (m, 10H), 1.23 (d, *J* = 6.4 Hz, 3H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*=140.7, 115.3, 76.8, 68.4, 31.8, 30.0, 29.5, 29.3, 26.2, 22.7, 21.3, 14.1.

Allyl octyl sulfide⁹: ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*= 5.84-5.74 (m, 1H), 5.10-5.06 (m, 2H), 3.12 (d, *J* = 7.2, 2H), 2.45 (t, *J* = 7.2 Hz, 2H), 1.59-1.52 (m, 2H), 1.40-1.27 (m, 10H), 0.88 (t, *J* = 6.8 Hz, 3H); ¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C, TMS): *&*=134.6, 116.6, 34.8, 31.8, 30.7, 29.3, 29.2, 29.2, 28.9, 22.7, 14.1.

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6. ¹H and ¹³C NMR spectra

Allyl octyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)



¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)



Allyl hexyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl decyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl (4-methoxy) butyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl 2-octyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl cyclohexyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl phenyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl benzyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl (2-phenyl) cyclohexyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl (2-phenylthio) ethyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





2-buten-1-yl octyl ether (mixture of (E), (Z) isomers) and 3-buten-2-yl octyl ether ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)





Allyl octyl sulfide ¹H NMR (400 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)



¹³C NMR (100 MHz, CDCl₃, 25 °C)

