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## Studies on the Lewis acid mediated cleavage of $\alpha$ -

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Although actual chemical shifts differ considerably, the difference in chemical shift between the protons $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}}$ and $\mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{b}}$ is consistently greater in the anti stereoisomer than in the syn. In the case of the uracil adduct $(37 \mathrm{R}=\mathrm{Bn})$, only the syn product is obtained, however, the value of $\delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{a}}-\delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{b}}$ is comparable to that for the pyridone $\operatorname{syn}$ product ( $\mathbf{3 8} \mathrm{R}=\mathrm{Bn}$ ). Similarly, a comparison of the difference in chemical shifts of the diastereotopic $N$-benzylic methylene protons for syn and anti products $\left(\delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{c}}-\delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{d}}\right)$ again reveals that in all cases where a comparison is available, the difference in chemical shifts is consistently greater for the products assigned as syn compared to those for the anti. In the case of the uracil adduct $\mathbf{3 7}$ the value of $\delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{c}}-\delta \mathrm{H}_{\mathrm{d}}$ is large, which is consistent with the other syn examples (Table S4).

Comparative data was only obtained for compounds comprising $>10 \%$ in mixture.

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Table S4. Correlation of ${ }^{1} \mathrm{H}$ NMR data of syn and anti products to confirm stereochemical assignments.

